

Informal ICCA Meeting Held in Chicago

Several ICCA members were in Chicago in May for the National Computer Conference. An informal meeting was held to discuss several outstanding issues of concern. It was decided that Monty Newborn and Tony Marsland would work on the organization of several ICCA committees. Lists of those members who had expressed interest in committee assignments were given to them for review. Another issue which has come up is the question of sanctioning of computer chess tournaments. Until the Sanctioning Committee is formed, it was decided that Ben Mittman, Monty Newborn, and Ken Thompson would constitute an interim committee, and would decide on sanctioning issues. Finally, two locations are being considered for the Fourth World Computer Chess Championship to be held in 1983: one in Paris in conjunction with the IFIP-83 Congress and the other in New York during the annual ACM Conference.

Membership Information

To receive information concerning ICCA membership, please write to:

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The membership fee for 1981 is \$10 (U.S.) and entitles the member to all of the 1981 Newsletters. Reprints of all previous issues of the Newsletter are also available to members for an additional fee of \$5.00.

ICCA Publications Board Formed

Kathe Spracklen has been named as the first chairman of the ICCA Publications Board. The purpose of the board is to encourage publication of technical and nontechnical works on the subject of computer chess. Kathe has named Prof. Tony Marsland of the University of Alberta and Mr. Pierre Nolot, a journalist in Paris, as members. Ideas for publication should be sent to:

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ICCA Chapter Support Policy Established

ICCA Sweden, under the active leadership of Dr. Johan Enroth, has flourished as a chapter of ICCA in Sweden. In order to encourage and support such activities elsewhere, the ICCA administration has decided upon the following policy.

"In order to encourage and support the development of ICCA chapters, ICCA will return \$3.00 of the \$10.00 membership fee to the officers of such chapters for each member served by the chapter. A minimum of 20 members is required to be eligible for the chapter rebates. Mailings of the ICCA Newsletter will be handled by the local chapters for their members. Bulk mailing of Newsletters and labels will go from ICCA Headquarters to the chapter officer designated to receive the Newsletters for subsequent local mailing."

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