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Without any doubt the most dramatic game in round 3 was the clash between the Australian Champion Bobby Cheng and the best player of Balwyn High School FM Karl Zelesco. Both players played on 30 seconds increment for many moves and in a slightly better position Karl lost on time. After this game according to our calculations Bobby's live rating touched the magical number of 2500!



The calm opening in the central game of round 3 between Bobby Cheng and Karl Zelesco.



Time is an important factor in chess....Clock showing Karl Zelesco had lost on time.

In round 4 IM Cheng will play against another GM Norm seeker IM Kanan (who quickly drew in R3 against GM Vasily Papin).



The game between IM Ari Dale and GM Anton Smirnov attracted the attention of many spectators



IM Temur Kuybokarov with his customary thermos with hot tea and a banana. He won his first game in the tournament by defeating FM Chris Wallis



IM Eric Rosen maintained his perfect score by defeating FM Eddy Levi.

In the IM Norm event Pauline Guichard continued her winning strike and together with IM Eric Rosen have created a 1.5 gap between the first and third place. In round 4 she will face IM Stephen Solomon who lost to the Singaporean youngster Quing Aun Lee in round 3.



The Australian Chess Federation President Gary Wastell in front of his work of art cross tables. His efforts can be seen below. Thanks Gary for all your efforts!



Cross Table after round 3



Result of round 3 displayed in the foyer of the Melbourne Chess Club



FM Eddy Levi started sponsoring the Masters tournaments thirty years ago!

As always all results, games and reports can be seen [here](#)