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## Summery Chess Auction in Braunschweig



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Our chairman has written a short résumé of this year's summer auction in Braunschweig, and he as well as (mainly) Michael Negele have taken a series of photos.

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A familiar picture: The Klittich-Pfankuch auction house.



Harrie Grondijs, Guy Van Habberney and Per Skjoldager at the entrance of Theaterwall 17.





Dr. Karl Klittich with Prof. Kiel on the veranda of the auction house.



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who kindly provided the text below.



The Klittich auction number 68 was held on June 27 in Braunschweig. The auction went very smoothly, with as usual a high-quality offering and an excellent catalog. 800 lots were auctioned off in less than 4 hours. Before the start of the bidding, honorary KWA member Michael Negele soberly commemorated the late Roger Klittich, who passed away earlier this year. It was the first auction without our founding member, and Michael spoke fondly of the late Roger Klittich both in his functions as highly respected antiquary, auctioneer and KWA member. After a brief moment of silence, Karl Klittich then started the auction all by himself. The symbolism of that moment did not go unnoticed by those attending.  
(Guy Van Habberney)



Michael Negele with his commemorative speech on Roger Klittich.

Naturally a visit of Roger Klittich's last resting place was obligatory for Michael Negele:

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The neo-Gothic chapel of the Braunschweig main cemetery.



Entrance area of the city cemetery (adjacent to the main cemetery).



The Pfankuch family grave at the city cemetery, also Roger Klittich has been buried here. The grave will be rebuilt in the coming autumn.

**Further 21 photos of the attendees in this [gallery](#).**

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