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## **"Lasker Evening" at Wolfenbüttel**

### **Presentation of the Lasker Monograph at the Duke August Library**

A considerable number of authors, members and visitors gathered on Friday evening, 20 November, in the Duke August Library to witness the presentation of the new Lasker monograph and naturally to get a numbered + signed copy of this exceptional work.

15 authors were present (Wolfgang Angerstein, Tony Gillam, Peter de Jong, Viktor Kortschnoi, Tomasz Lissowski, Egbert Meissenburg, Susanna Poldauf, Toni Preziuso, Joachim Rosenthal, Raj Tischbierek, Robert van de Velde und Hans-Christian Wohlfarth) - the three editors (Richard Forster, Stefan Hansen, Michael Negele) included - as well as Ulrich Dirr and the ELG board with Paul Werner Wagner, Thomas Weischede and Thomas Thomsen.

Quite a lot of KWA members joined them: the four Danes Claes Løfgren, Per Skjoldager, Knud Lysdal and Jørn Erik Nielsen; Calle Erlandsson and Gunnar Finnlaugsson from Sweden; the Belgians Guy Van Habberney and Henri Serruys as well as Jurgen Stigter from the Netherlands; from Germany Günter Büsing, Bernd Ellinghoven, Matias Jolowicz, Hans-Jürgen Fresen, Matthias Limberg, Andreas Saremba, Bernd Schneider and Bernd Segebarth. (At the chess book auction on Saturday also Godehard Murkisch, Wolfgang Pähz and Bernd Schippan were spotted.)

Part of the supporting programme was a prior guided tour of the library (for registered participants) as well as an online game against the strongest German female player, WGM Elisabeth Pähz, partly played parallel to the book-signing of the authors and editors.

In the following a selection of photos is offered on this completely successful event, just as on the subsequent official dinner in the restaurant *Ratskeller* where many comrades took part.

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At the guided tour of the Duke August Library: Bernd Schneider and Dr. Daniel Eisermann from Berlin, one of our main proofreaders.



The presentation has started: Stefan Hansen (left) with the hefty work, next to him Paul Werner Wagner and (sitting) our host Prof. Helwig Schmidt-Glintzer.



The impressive library

provided the appropriate setting for this event.

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Sitting in the first row: Prof.

Wolfgang Angerstein and Marion Oeben-Negele.

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Stefan Hansen and Prof. Helwig Schmidt-Glintzer, we already know the latter from the KWA foundation ceremony 2003 at the same place.

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Michael Negele at the lectern, for him there was still a little surprise in store ...

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... as for his great contribution to the Lasker monograph DSB vice president Michael S. Langer (left) presented to him the plate of honour of the German Chess Federation. Applause and congratulations for this distinction!



Swiss by themselves: Richard Forster with Viktor and Petra Kortschnoi.



Group photo with a copy of the book: (from left) Michael S. Langer, Prof. Helwig Schmidt-Glitzner, Paul Werner Wagner, Michael Negele, Stefan Hansen, Richard Forster, Raj Tischbierek.



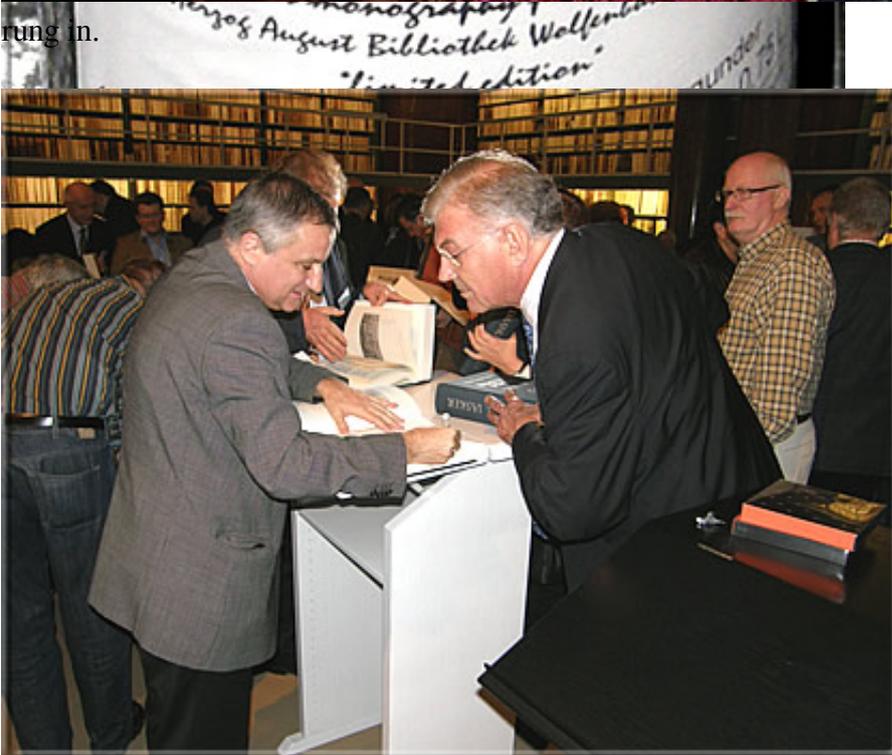
The auction house Klittich-Pfankuch had an additional surprise in store: A limited edition of fine red and white wine respectively with Lasker labels for the present KWA members. Many thanks go to Brunswick for this renewed generous action!

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The book-signing has been



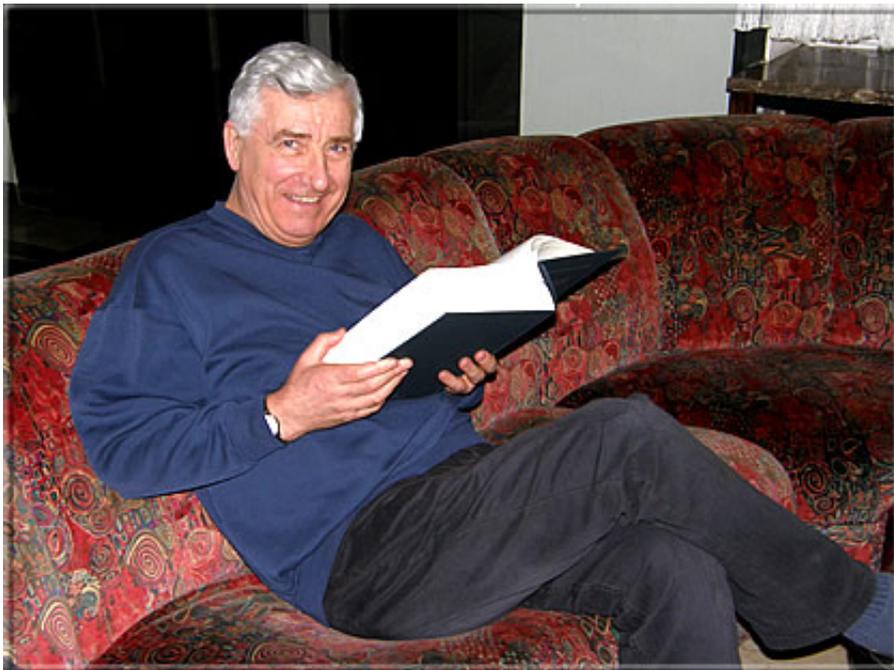
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Thomas Thomsen, on the right Calle Erlandsson

Michael Negele with



The online game against Elisabeth Pähtz ended with a "mercy draw" for the Lasker people.

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Tony Gillam obviously derives pleasure from checking the monograph.

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Concluding with a comfortable dinner: Gunnar Finnlaugsson and Peter de Jong (left), Calle Erlandsson and Tony Gillam (right).



A beaming Michael Negele with the DSB plate of honour, on the left our designer Ulrich Dirr from Munich.

There are further pictures in our small [Gallery](#) (with 9 photos)!

Link to the pictorial report at ChessBase: [Vorstellung der Lasker-Monographie](#) (in German only)

PS (26/12/2009): Tomasz Lissowski has published his own [report](#) (in Polish) on the weekend in Brunswick.

