

2007-01-21

## Lasker weekend in Bonn (20/21 January 2007)

Short photo report

This time the Lasker meeting of January 20-21, 2007 in Bonn was a public event prepared by the Emanuel Lasker Society in cooperation with the "Haus der Geschichte der Bundesrepublik Deutschland" in connection with the exhibition "**Zug um Zug - Schach - Gesellschaft - Politik**" [Move after Move – Chess – Society – Politics].



The welcoming and the introduction were made by Paul Werner Wagner – chairman of the Emanuel Lasker Society. On the right Boris Spassky together with Helmut Pflieger.



Boris Spassky visiting the exhibition "Zug um Zug". Soon he will be made out and surrounded by Russian fans ...



Lothar Schmid was present as well, here in the company of Paul Werner Wagner in front of the entrance to the exhibition.



During the coffee break Jurgen Stigter was busy distributing Yuletide No.3, thus advertising the KWA – you will see there Karlheinz Podzielny sen., Jose Maria Gutierrez Dopino of CAPEA (a Spanish-German correspondence chess club) and Ralf Niederhäuser.



At another table Dr. Hans Ellinger (Tübingen) and Christoph Schneider (Karlsruhe) as well as (hidden) Thomas Meyer (Tübingen) and Georg Schweiger (Ebersberg-Grafin).



Andreas and Marie-Theres Saremba together with Susanne van Kempen.



Susanna Poldauf being in conversation with Dr. Helene Thiesen who did the guided tour of the exhibition.



Later on P.W. Wagner opened the (short) Lasker meeting with Michael Negele presenting the biography project.

Here the Powerpoint slides in pdf format:

- [Part 1 \(2.3 MiB\)](#)
- [Part 2 \(1.7 MiB\)](#)
- [Part 3 \(1.2 MiB\)](#)

In the late Sunday morning the event was resumed by a panel talk between Paul Werner Wagner (presenter) and the two famous grandmasters Lothar Schmid and Helmut Pfleger: the topic set in advance was "Dramatic and politically highly explosive duels over the world championship in chess from the point of view of an arbiter and of a psychologist".

The following members of our association had come to Bonn: (apart from Michael Negele and Ralf Binnewirtz) Lothar Schmid, Bernd Ellinghoven, Detlef Krämer, Jurgen Stigter, Susanna van Kempen, Bernd Schneider, Bodo Pawlik, Lothar Heider and Andreas Saremba; Hans Engberts came to take part in the simul.



In the Sunday afternoon the official welcoming by Dr. Hans Walter Hütter, representative of the president of the "Haus der Geschichte der

Bundesrepublik".



Dr. Hans-Jürgen Weyer, president of the chess federation NRW, greets the large audience too.



A highlight of the weekend: the conversation with Boris Spassky about the subject "Chess in the Cold War". On the right the interpreter IM Dirk Poldauf.



Paul Werner Wagner, the presenter of the day together with a light-hearted Boris Spassky.



Boris Spassky, world champion 1969-1972, will celebrate his 70th birthday at the end of January, 2007



Boris Spassky in the following simul, at the board (in the centre) Hans-Walter Schmitt from the Chess Classics Mainz who held to a draw.



Stefan Böhm from Bayer Leverkusen is being greeted here, he was able to share points as well.



Altogether Spassky won 8 games and (generously) drew 17. According to himself he had serious problems in two games.



Our KWA members Hans Engberts (1/2), Andreas Saremba (0 due to his departure) and Detlef Krämer (1/2) were active in the simul.