



53° Torneo di Capodanno

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Thursday January 4th 2011 seventh round

Reopened the race for the first place. Vallejo Pons today was suffering a direct attack on his leading position, Paco played a bit dubious opening and Vugar played the entire game with slight advantage but at the end Paco could play Qd2 and hold the position to a draw. There are only two games left and now we have two players in the lead and three players following closing at only half point away. Everything can happen. Ivanchuk sacrifices a piece against Navara, the Czech GM, however, defended with precision. In the endgame six pawns against three pawns and a bishop, Vassily does not play well and lose without a struggle. In the analysis room Navara explains how his opponent could make some problems for Black, but without a big hope to make a draw.

Onischuk- Caruana made a draw, but the Italian said he didn't play good in the opening. In fact, he was forced to sacrifice a pawn to be able to castle. According to Onischuk the dubious $20. \text{Bc1}$ allows Black counterplay. Godena had the last chance to avoid ending up with the 10th place and fight for a win, but this is not his tournament. He lost material during the wild time-trouble.

Game Movsesian against Morozevich gave a very exciting show for spectators. Sergey made exchange sacrifice for a pawn and compensation by Alexander's weak pawns and a very strong white Q on d5. Probably the result of a draw was a fair.

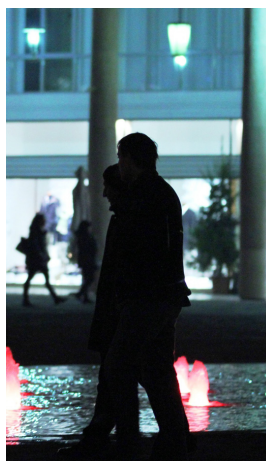
A special greeting to the President of the Italian Chess Federation Giampietro Pagnoncelli who arrived today bringing his presence honor for the tournament.



Paco's disappointment while he has been reached at the top by the combative Gashimov.



Ivanchuk already seems to despair, foreboding of his misdeeds in the match against Navara.



Do you know who hide behind the two silhouettes in the New Year's Eve?



Fabiano Caruana, two rounds more to go back among the top.

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seventh round

VALLEJO PONS - GASHIMOV	0-1
ONISCHUK - CARUANA	1/2
MOVSESIAN - MOROZEVICH	1/2
GODENA - SHORT	0-1
IVANCHUK - NAVARA	0-1

Standings

VALLEJO PONS	4,5
GASHIMOV	4,5
ONISCHUK	4
MOVSESIAN	4
NAVARA	3
CARUANA	3,5
SHORT	3,5
IVANCHUK	3
MOROZEVICH	3
GODENA	1

eighth round

GASHIMOV - NAVARA
SHORT - IVANCHUK
MOROZEVICH - GODENA
CARUANA - MOVSESIAN
VALLEJO PONS - ONISCHUK

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