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## 2016 Australasian Masters

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Round 4 was officially a good day to have the white pieces! Across the ten games, the players with the white pieces scored 7 wins, 3 draws & no losses, for a phenomenal total of 8.5/10 for the day!

Anton Smirnov continued his winning ways, this time defeating Karl Zelesco to retain his place at the top of the leader board. Sergey Kasparov moved into outright second place with a victory over Junta Ikeda, while Kanan Izzat beat Christopher Wallis to join Stephen Solomon in a tie for third place after Solomon drew with top seed Adrien Demuth.

In the IM event, four players have broken away from the rest of the field, with FMs Dusan Stojic & Li Tian Yeoh leading the way on 3.5/4, while FM Xiangyu Liu & GM Darryl Johansen are just half a point behind after all four players won their round 4 games. Darryl Johansen was particularly fortunate in his game, sacrificing a rook in the opening (he initially thought he had sacrificed an exchange, but miscalculated!) before using his extra queenside pawns to pull off an escape for the ages!

Remaining Title Norm possibilities:

### GM Norm

Smirnov requires 3.5/5  
Izzat & Solomon require 4/5  
Cheng requires 4.5/5  
Zelesco requires 5/5

### IM Norm

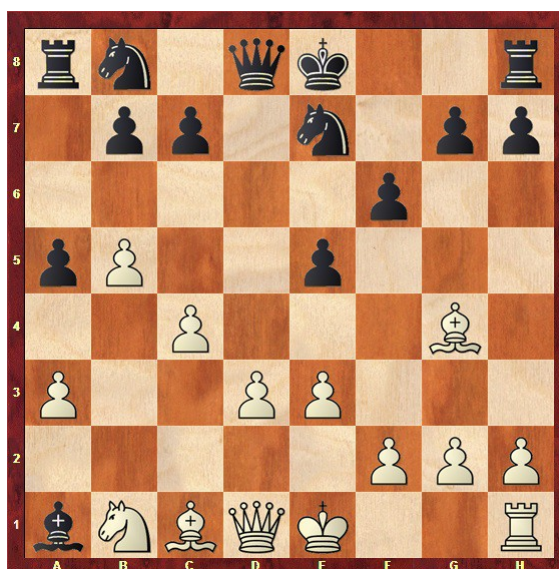
Zelesco, Yeoh & Stojic require 3.5/5  
Wallis & Liu require 4/5  
Ang requires 5/5

### WGM Norm

De Seroux requires 5/5

### WIM Norm

De Seroux requires 3/5



*White to play ... and win in 24?!*

## Round 4 Results

### **GM Event**

1 Kanan Izzat	2456 2494	1:0	Christopher Wallis	2363 2399
2 Adrien Demuth	2546	½:½	Stephen J Solomon	2377 2393
3 Sergey Kasparov	2464	1:0	Junta Ikeda	2375 2433
4 Anton Smirnov	2514 2530	1:0	Karl Zelesco	2353 2431
5 Vasily Papin	2466 2501	½:½	Bobby Cheng	2446 2521

### **IM Event**

6 Xiangyi Liu	2431	1:0	Alphaeus Wei Ang	2250 2200
7 Dusan Stojic	2225 2270	1:0	Camille De Seroux	2069
8 Darryl K Johansen	2370 2386	1:0	Kris Chan	2152 2200
9 Li Tian Yeoh	2432	1:0	Andrew Brown	2232 2281
10 Eddy L Levi	2152 2213	½:½	Mirko Rujevic	2186 2262

## Round 5 Pairings

### **GM Event**

1 Bobby Cheng	2446 2521	:	Kanan Izzat	2456 2494
2 Karl Zelesco	2353 2431	:	Vasily Papin	2466 2501
3 Junta Ikeda	2375 2433	:	Anton Smirnov	2514 2530
4 Stephen J Solomon	2377 2393	:	Sergey Kasparov	2464
5 Christopher Wallis	2363 2399	:	Adrien Demuth	2546

### **IM Event**

6 Mirko Rujevic	2186 2262	:	Xiangyi Liu	2431
7 Andrew Brown	2232 2281	:	Eddy L Levi	2152 2213
8 Kris Chan	2152 2200	:	Li Tian Yeoh	2432
9 Camille De Seroux	2069	:	Darryl K Johansen	2370 2386
10 Alphaeus Wei Ang	2250 2200	:	Dusan Stojic	2225 2270

## Round 4 Games

### **GM Event**

#### **Izzat,Kanan (2456) - Wallis,Christopher (2363) [D17]**

Australasian Masters GM Event Melbourne (4.1), 13.12.2016

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 dxc4 5.a4 Bf5 6.Ne5 Nbd7 7.Nxc4 Qc7 8.g3 e5 9.dxe5 Nxe5 10.Bf4 Nfd7 11.Bg2 f6 12.0-0 g5 13.Nxe5 gxf4 14.Nxd7 Qxd7 15.Qb3 Be6 16.Qc2 fxc3 17.hxc3 0-0-0 18.Rfd1 Qc7 19.Rxd8+ Kxd8 20.Qd2+ Kc8 21.Qe3 Qe5 22.Qxa7 Bc5 23.Qa8+ Qb8 24.Qa5 Qe5 25.e3 Kb8 26.Rd1 Bd6 27.Nb5 Bc5 28.b4 Bxe3 29.Re1 Bxf2+ 30.Kxf2 Qf5+ 31.Kg1 cxb5 32.Qb6 Bc8 33.Qd6+ Ka7 34.axb5

**1-0**

#### **Demuth,Adrien (2546) - Solomon,Stephen (2377) [D37]**

Australasian Masters GM Event Melbourne (4.2), 13.12.2016

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.c4 d5 4.Nc3 Be7 5.Bf4 0-0 6.e3 c5 7.dxc5 Nc6 8.cxd5 exd5 9.Be2 Bxc5 10.0-0 Be6 11.Rc1 Rc8 12.a3 a6 13.Bg5 Be7 14.Nd4 h6 15.Bh4 Re8 16.Nxc6 Rxc6 17.Bf3 Rc4 18.Bxf6 Bxf6 19.Nxd5 Bxd5 20.Qxd5 Rxc1 21.Rxc1 Bxb2 22.Rb1 Qxd5 23.Bxd5 Rc8 24.Bxb7 Rc1+ 25.Rxc1 Bxc1 26.a4 a5

**½-½**

**Kasparov,Sergey (2464) - Ikeda,Junta (2375) [C60]**

Australasian Masters GM Event Melbourne (4.3), 13.12.2016

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Nge7 4.c3 d5 5.d3 dxe4 6.dxe4 Qxd1+ 7.Kxd1 Ng6  
8.Be3 a6 9.Bc4 Na5 10.Bd3 f6 11.Nbd2 Be6 12.b4 Nc6 13.a3 Be7 14.Bc4  
Bxc4 15.Nxc4 b5 16.Ncd2 a5 17.Ke2 axb4 18.axb4 Kf7 19.Rhc1 Rhb8  
20.Ne1 Nf8 21.Nd3 g6 22.Nb3 Ne6 23.g3 Bd6 24.Rf1 f5 25.f3 Ke7 26.Rg1  
Kf7 27.Bd2 Ng7 28.Bg5 Ne8 29.Nf2 Nf6 30.Nd2 fxe4 31.Nfxe4 Nxe4 32.fxe4  
Ke6 33.Rgf1 Rxa1 34.Rxa1 Rf8 35.Bh6 Rb8 36.Ra6 Kd7 37.Nf3 Rg8 38.h4  
Rb8 39.Ne1 Be7 40.Nf3 Bf6 41.Nh2 Rb6 42.Rxb6 cxb6 43.Ng4 Bd8 44.Ne3  
Ke6 45.Kf3 Nb8 46.Nd5 Nd7 47.Kg4 Nf6+ 48.Nxf6 Bxf6 49.h5 Bd8 50.Bg5  
Bf6 51.hxg6 hxg6 52.Bxf6 Kxf6 53.Kh4 Kf7 54.Kg5 Kg7 55.g4

**1-0****Smirnov,Anton (2514) - Zelesco,Karl (2353) [C95]**

Australasian Masters GM Event Melbourne (4.4), 13.12.2016

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 d6 8.c3 0-  
0 9.h3 Nb8 10.d4 Nbd7 11.Nbd2 Bb7 12.Bc2 Re8 13.Nf1 Bf8 14.Ng3 g6  
15.a4 c5 16.d5 c4 17.Bg5 Nc5 18.Qd2 Be7 19.Be3 Qc7 20.Ra3 Nfd7 21.h4  
h5 22.Ng5 Nf6 23.f3 Nh7 24.Rea1 Nxe5 25.Bxe5 Bxe5 26.Qxe5 Qd8 27.Nf1  
Qxe5 28.hxe5 Rab8 29.Nd2 Bc8 30.axb5 axb5 31.b3 cxb3 32.Nxb3 Rb6  
33.Nxc5 dxc5 34.c4 Bd7 35.Ra7 Rd8 36.cxb5 Bxb5 37.Rc7 c4 38.Raa7 Rf8  
39.Ba4 Bxa4 40.Rxa4 Rb1+ 41.Kh2 Kg7 42.Raxc4 Rb2 43.R4c6 Rfb8 44.Rf6  
Rf8 45.Re7 Rd2 46.Rxe5 Kg8 47.Re7 Kg7 48.d6 Kg8 49.e5 Rd5 50.d7 h4  
51.e6 Rxe5 52.Rxf7 Rxf7 53.exf7+

**1-0****Papin,Vasily (2466) - Cheng,Bobby (2446) [D37]**

Australasian Masters GM Event Melbourne (4.5), 13.12.2016

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Be7 4.Nf3 Nf6 5.Bf4 0-0 6.e3 Nbd7 7.Be2 dxc4 8.Bxc4  
a6 9.a4 c5 10.dxc5 Nxc5 11.0-0 Qa5 12.Qb1 Qb4 13.Qa2 Bd7 14.Rfd1 Nxa4  
15.Nxa4 Bxa4 16.Qxa4 Qxa4 17.Rxa4 b5 18.Bxb5

**½-½****IM Event****Liu,Xiangyi (2431) - Ang,Alphaeus (2250) [B01]**

2016 Australasian Masters IM Event Melbourne (4.1), 13.12.2016

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Qxd5 3.d4 Nc6 4.Be3 e5 5.Nc3 Bb4 6.Qd2 Qa5 7.dxe5 Nxe5  
8.Bd4 Ne7 9.Bb5+ Bd7 10.Bxd7+ Nxd7 11.a3 0-0-0 12.Nge2 Nf5 13.0-0  
Bxc3 14.Bxc3 Qa6 15.Qf4 Qg6 16.Rad1 Nc5 17.Be5 Ne6 18.Qa4 a6 19.Nf4  
Nxf4 20.Qxf4 Ne7 21.c4 Qe6 22.Bxe7 Rxd1 23.Rxd1 Rg8 24.Bc3 Qh3 25.g3  
Nf5 26.Ba5 b6 27.Qe4 Kb8 28.Bxb6 Qg4 29.Rd8+ Rxd8 30.Qxe4 Nd6  
31.Be3 f5 32.Qf4 Ne4 33.Qxf5 Rd1+ 34.Kg2 Nd6 35.Qf8+ Nc8 36.Ba7+ Kxa7  
37.Qxc8 Ra1 38.Qxc7+ Ka8 39.Qd6 Ka7 40.c5 Ka8 41.Qxa6+ Kb8 42.c6  
Rxa3 43.Qb7#

**1-0**

**Stojic,Dusan (2225) - De Seroux,Camille (2069) [B66]**

2016 Australasian Masters IM Event Melbourne (4.2), 13.12.2016

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Bg5 e6 7.Qd2 Qb6 8.0–0–0 Qxd4 9.Qxd4 Nxd4 10.Rxd4 a6 11.f3 Bd7 12.Bc4 Bc6 13.Rhd1 Be7 14.Bh4 Rc8 15.Bb3 0–0 16.Bg3 e5 17.R4d3 Nd7 18.Bf2 Nc5 19.Bxc5 dxc5 20.Bd5 b5 21.Bxc6 Rxc6 22.Rd7 Bg5+ 23.Kb1 c4 24.R1d6 Rfc8 25.a4 b4 26.Rxc6 Rxc6 27.Rb7 h5 28.Rxb4 h4 29.Nd5 Kh7 30.Rb6 Rc5 31.Rxa6 f5 32.h3 fxe4 33.fxe4 g6 34.Ra7+ Kh6 35.Rc7 Rxc7 36.Nxc7 Bd8 37.Nd5 g5 38.b4 cxb3 39.cxb3 g4 40.b4 Kg5 41.a5

**1–0**

**Johansen,Darryl (2370) - Chan,Kris (2152) [A09]**

2016 Australasian Masters IM Event Melbourne (4.3), 13.12.2016

1.Nf3 d5 2.c4 d4 3.b4 f6 4.d3 e5 5.a3 a5 6.b5 Bg4 7.e3 Bc5 8.Be2 Ne7 9.Nxd4 Bxd4 10.Bxg4 Bxa1 11.Qc2 Nd7 12.0–0 Nc5 13.Rd1 a4 14.Be2 0–0 15.Bd2 Nb3 16.Be1 c5 17.Nd2 e4 18.Nxb3 axb3 19.Qxb3 Be5 20.d4 Bc7 21.dxc5 Qc8 22.c6 bxc6 23.c5+ Kh8 24.b6 Rb8 25.a4 Qf5 26.Qa3 Be5 27.a5 Rfd8 28.Rxd8+ Rxd8 29.a6 Qd7 30.a7 Qb7 31.Qa6 Qxa6 32.Bxa6 Bb8 33.Bb7 Nd5 34.a8Q

**1–0**

**Yeoh,Li Tian (2432) - Brown,Andrew (2232) [B31]**

2016 Australasian Masters IM Event Melbourne (4.4), 13.12.2016

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 g6 4.Bxc6 dxc6 5.d3 Bg7 6.h3 Nf6 7.Nc3 Nd7 8.Be3 e5 9.Qd2 h6 10.0–0 Qe7 11.Nh2 b6 12.f4 exf4 13.Bxf4 Ne5 14.a4 Be6 15.a5 Rd8 16.axb6 axb6 17.Nf3 Nxf3+ 18.Rxf3 g5 19.Be3 Be5 20.Ne2 g4 21.hxg4 Bxg4 22.Rf2 Bxe2 23.Qxe2 Qh4 24.Qf3 0–0 25.g3 Qh3 26.Rh2 Qd7 27.Bxh6 Rfe8 28.Rf1 Re6 29.Bg5 f6 30.Bh6 Kf7 31.Be3 Re7 32.Qh5+ Ke6 33.Bf4 Kd6 34.Bxe5+ fxe5 35.Qg5 Kc7 36.Rh6 Qd4+ 37.Kg2 Rdd7 38.Rff6 Qxb2 39.Rxc6+ Kb7 40.Qf6 Qxc2+ 41.Kh3 Qa4 42.Rxb6+ Kc8 43.Qf8+

**1–0**

**Levi,Eddy (2152) - Rujevic,Mirko (2186) [C02]**

2016 Australasian Masters IM Event Melbourne (4.5), 13.12.2016

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 f5 6.exf6 Nxf6 7.Bf4 Qb6 8.Na3 a6 9.Qb3 Qxb3 10.axb3 cxd4 11.Nb5 Kf7 12.Ng5+ Kg8 13.Nc7 Nh5 14.Nxa8 Nxf4 15.Nb6 h6 16.Nf3 dxc3 17.bxc3 Na7 18.g3 Nh5 19.Bh3 Kf7 20.Ne5+ Kf6 21.Nxc8 Nxc8 22.Nd7+ Kf7 23.Nxf8 Rxf8 24.0–0 Nd6 25.f3 g6 26.Rad1 Nb5 27.c4 Nc7 28.f4 Nf6 29.Bg2 Rd8 30.h3 h5 31.Bf3 Rd6 32.g4 hxg4 33.hxg4 Rb6 34.Rd3 Rb4 35.Rc1 b5 36.g5 bxc4 37.bxc4 dxc4 38.Rd4 Nfd5 39.Rdxc4 Rb7 40.Kf2 a5 41.Kg3 Ra7 42.Ra1 Ne3 43.Rca4 Nf5+ 44.Kf2 Ra6 45.Rxa5 Rb6 46.R1a2 Rb4 47.Ra7 Rc4 48.Rb7 Ke7 49.Ra8 Nd6 50.Rba7 Ndb5 51.Rb7 Nd6 52.Rba7 Ndb5 53.Rb7 Nd6

**½–½**