

 **Piket Jeroen** (27.01.1969)



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Dutch Grandmaster (1989).

**Dutch Champion in 1990, 1991, 1992, 1994.** Dutch Champion U13, U16, and multiple U20.

*He was a regular participant in top international events during the turn-of-the-century. His results from these events distinguish him as one of a handful of chess players to defeat Garry Kasparov, Vladimir Kramnik and Viswanathan Anand in tournament play.*

**Won or shared first** at Brussels Iclicki (Open) 1987, Spijkenisse (Mini-Tournament) 1987 (joint with WGM Nana Ioseliani), **Munich SKA-Mephisto 1989** (joint with Van der Sterren), **Ostend (Open) 1990**, **three-times winning in a row at Groningen: Groningen GM 1990**, joint with Adams, Khalifman and Rogers, **Groningen GM 1991** joint with C. Hansen, and **Groningen GM 1992** outright. **Antwerp, Volmac Invitational 1993** (joint with Korchnoi, ahead of Christiansen, ten players), **Dortmund 1994** (clear first ahead of Adams, including Korchnoi, aged 60+, who beat in the tournament Karpov, Timman and Leko, ten players), **Antwerp, (4th) Lost Boys (Open) 1.-3.** shared with Van Wely and Ye Rongguang, **Tilburg 1996** (tying for first with Gelfand without either losing a game, ahead of Shirov, including also Leko, Karpov, Adams, Svidler, Lautier or Judit Polgar on last place, twelve players). **Biel 1999** (outright winner in a double round robin, six players), **Vlissingen Hogeschool Zeeland Open 2001.**

Piket also was =2<sup>nd</sup> at **Wijk aan Zee 1997** (Salov won): Piket stormed out of the blocks with 5/6 points, beating Salov in the first round, but threw away the tournament win by losing the final round game to GM Yermolinsky.

In matches, he lost to John Van der Wiel 2½-1½ in 1986, lost to Viktor Korchnoi 2-6 in 1993, **beat Ljubomir Ljubojevic 6-2 and Lev Polugaevsky 4½-3½ in 1994**, lost to Alexei Shirov 5½-2½ and to Judith Polgar 6-2 in 1995, **beat Jan Timman 1½-½ and Joel Lautier 2-0 in 1995**, drew Anatoly Karpov 4-4 in 1999, and **won an Internet match vs. Garry Kasparov in 2000.**

In the friendly match against Lev Polugaevsky, **Viktor Korchnoi acted as an assistant (second) for Piket who worked himself several times as a second of Korchnoi.** Within twelve years, between 1989 and 2000, Piket and Korchnoi played each other in more than thirty games: Viktor Korchnoi won 10 to 2 with 13 draws in classical chess, and 5 to 0 with 1 draw in rapid/blitz/blind games (statistics according to Chessgames, figures may be incomplete).

A participant in the Olympiads between 1988 and 2000, he won a team bronze medal in 1988. **Also a member of the national team which won the European Team Championship 2001 where Piket collected an individual silver medal at board two.**

Best ELO: 2670 in 1995, he was then the **sole eleventh world ranked player**. Jeroen Piket retired from chess at age of 33 in 2002; to become in the same year the personal secretary of dutch businessman and chess maecenas [Joop van Oosterom](#).

Selected games:

### **Piket vs. Smirin 1-0**

Biel, Interzonal 1993, a famous Queen sac!

Replay with Chessgames: <http://www.chessgames.com/perl/chessgame?gid=1108797>

### **Piket, Jeroen (2670) - Kasparov, Garry (2805)**

Amsterdam, Euwe Memorial (6), 1995.05.18

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Nf3 Bg7 5.Qb3 dxc4 6.Qxc4 O-O 7.e4 Na6 8.Be2 c5 9.d5 e6 10.O-O exd5 11.exd5 Re8 12.Rd1 Bf5 13.d6 h6 14.Bf4 Nd7 15.Rd2 Nb4 16.Qb3 Be6 17.Bc4 Nb6 18.Bxe6 Rxe6 19.Na4 Re4 20.Bg3 Nc4 21.Nxc5 Nxd2 22.Nxd2 Re2 23.Qxb4 a5 24.Qxb7 Rxd2 25.d7 Rxb2 26.Qd5 Rb5 27.Rd1 Bf8 28.Bd6 Bxd6 29.Qxd6 Rab8 30.h3 Rb1 31.Rxb1 Rxb1+ 32.Kh2 Rb6 33.Qe5 Kf8 34.Qh8+ Ke7 35.Qe5+ Kf8 36.f4 h5 37.Qd5 h4 38.Qe5 g5 39.Qh8+ Ke7 40.Qe5+ Kf8 41.fxg5 **1-0**

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Topalov versus Piket, Euwe Memorial at Amsterdam in April 1996. Photo: ANP Cor Muller

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