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WHERE GREAT MINDS MEET



**FIDE vs.
Freestyle**

The Great Chess Rift?

FREESTYLE JEANS

MAGNUS CARLSEN'S SUDDEN DISQUALIFICATION AT THE WORLD RAPID IN NYC OVER A DRESS CODE — A PAIR OF JEANS — EXPOSED A DEEPER CONFLICT. TOP PLAYERS BACK THE NEW "FREESTYLE" CHESS DISCIPLINE, WHILE FIDE STANDS ITS GROUND. THE BATTLE IS ON.

World Championship Match

A NEW CHAMPION RISES!



**18-year-old
Gukesh D
Dethrones
Ding Liren**

Games Annotated
by the
"Coach of Giants"
Vladimir Potkin!

**WOMEN'S
AMERICAN
CONTINENTAL
CHAMPIONSHIP**

**U.S. WOMEN SWEEP
THE PODIUM**

Exclusive Story by Silver
Medalist Zoey Tang

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**VANCURA AND FELLAS
ARE ENDINGS WITH FEW
PIECES REALLY SIMPLE?**

By Alex Fishbein

5x5 Anthony
Saidy

CHESS WISDOM SESSIONS

