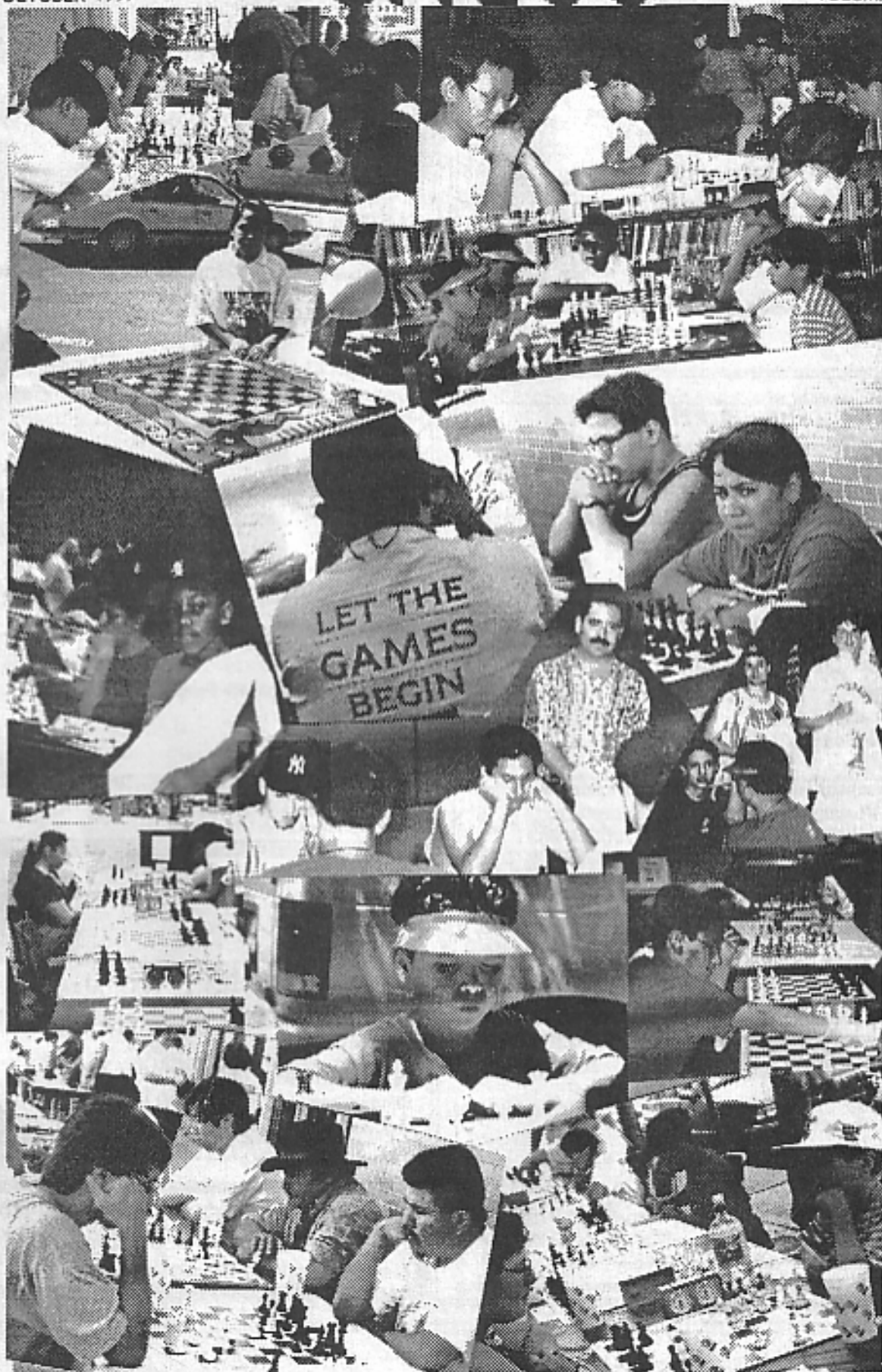


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# President's Podium

## **New Editor Hired**

Ms. M.L. Rantala, a resident of the Hyde Park community in Chicago, has been hired as the new editor for the **Illinois Chess Bulletin**. Her first issue will be the upcoming November-December, 1997 one. She brings to the job many years of experience in the publishing field. One of the things that impressed me the most about her is the fact that she is a full-time publisher! Since 1985 she is or has been involved with chess publications, whether periodicals or books. She is currently editor of **The Chess Journalist** which is the official organ of the Chess Journalists of America. She is also responsible for design, typesetting and copyediting for the **California Chess Journal**. Among her book credits are the following: Volume Editor, *On Top of the Chess World- The 1995 World Chess Championship*, by Christiansen, Fedorowicz and Ilya Gurevich; and, Editor of **Billy Colias Midwest Master**, with Eric Schiller and Alan Watson. Welcome, M.L. and best wishes for a successful tenure as our Bulletin's editor. I look forward to great things happening with our magazine and encourage our readers to contact our new editor with concerns related to the ICB.

## **Scholastic Season Set to Begin**

A feeling of great anticipation is in the air as the junior players start planning and choosing the scholastic tournaments they will play in. May all of you enjoy great success and achieve the goals you set for yourselves. May the coaches and organizers also see their hard work and dedication pay off and their efforts be rewardly nicely.

## **ICA-Warren Junior Program Starts Another Year**

The beginning of the academic school-year also marks the beginning of the ICA-Warren Junior Program, administered by Helen Warren. I take this opportunity to invite all of you who can make contributions to this program's fund to do so soon. The ICA is a not-for-profit organization, so let's take advantage of this fact. Please send your contributions to our Treasurer Howard Cohen, address elsewhere in this issue.

## **Do the Tour!**

Plan to play in the ICA Tour events for the remainder of the year! Some of the larger, or MAXI-Tour events are the Midwest Class, the Illinois Class and the Larry Cohen's Holiday's Class at the end of the year.

Good Chess to all!

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**FOR MORE DETAILS SEE THE TOURNAMENT CALENDAR IN THIS ISSUE!**

# Speaking of Chess...

Time has gone past and did it go fast! Another issue needed to be put out... while we kept looking for people willing to continue doing our magazine. Finally we found her! M.L. Rantala has the makings, experience, and determination to make her the best editor the ICB has ever had (especially compared to me!). But she can't do it alone! She needs every one of us to help her. If you have an interesting story, or are an artist, or maybe just a critic, contact M.L.. She will appreciate any and all input. Photographers - amateurs and pros! - take note... M.L. LOVES pictures! She has promised, nay demanded as part of her contract, to put in more pictures of our players and events! She also promises to start new features such as book reviews, player profiles, problem ladder (ok... ok... she didn't promise this one... I did!), and much more! Her vital information is located on the inside front cover. Please let's all help M.L. make the ICB an Award Winning magazine which we all can be proud enough to show our buddies to convince them to join our growing organization - the ICA! (late breaking NEWS! The ICB has received an award from the CHESS JOURNALISTS OF AMERICA. It has also received an honorable mention! Which ones, I don't know at this time, but it is something to be proud of!)

But enough about M.L. (I am only singing her praises because she took this monkey off my back - just kidding M.L.!). By the time this issue is in your hands you would have become Illinois' newest State Champion! Alright... If not, then you certainly stopped other pretenders in carrying out the same goal... no? That's okay... next year is another year and another Champion will be crowned. Who knows it may be you!

The summer is usually very slow for chess and chess buffs. But not the summer of '97. Thanks to newcoming Organizers Vince Barry & Cindy Misiak - the South Side of Chicago has been brought back to life. Next time you see either of them... give them a pat on the back... They deserve it. The first 4 tournaments they ran with an eye to giving away their shirts (and wallets). With a guaranteed prize fund of \$400 and a promise to increase if more than 20 players played any of the events, free food, raffle of sets and clocks, they are, in my book, generous to a fault.

Also, the summer saw an increase in chess everywhere else in Illinois. Strategic Thinking has been holding seminars and Camps throughout the state. Though their intentions weren't to lose money to start their business like Vince and Cindy... They have. This is a shame! These are just the type of things Illinois needs to become the premier and most active state in the history of U. S. Chess! We need to support

them by attending or sponsoring a kid or two to one of the events! I have heard nothing but good things about what Josh Manion, Julia and Joe Oberweis have been doing. As a matter of fact, the husband of a therapist for one of my sisters, attended the seminar at the Fox Valley Chess Club site - Radisson Inn Lisle. Through her, I heard nothing but praise for the fine teachers they assembled and the classes they held! This man has not played tournament chess... but attended anyway and he left impressed and willing to play... Good going guys!

Newspapers and magazines are starting to wake up to our royal game! I have seen articles galore everywhere I go. Naperville Sun, Chicago Tribune, La Raza... the list goes on. We are riding on a tidal wave of building enthusiasm. We need to make it bigger and bigger! Corporate sponsorship is just around the corner - as this month's front cover indicates. (Rumor has it that there may be a big simultaneous Chess Exhibition planned at Navy Pier to be held concurrent with a Magic Card Game Convention... Can this happen? I don't know... let's hope...)

The ICA is building up its membership rolls... Co-Chess is about to really get started. For more information about this brand new organization, please read the explanatory letter by Co-Chess President Bonnie Cobia in Roy Frye's Excellent second issue of Square One - our new Junior Chess Section.

In this issue... there are articles by NM Alan Watson, NTD Erv Sedlock, me truly, Hector Hernandez, Roger Birkeland, Ken Marshall, Ray Doyle Satterlee and many others. Readers Pawn-darings has expanded to three letters. Two are responses to previously published letters in the ICB. Nothing is like a good discussion of views. There are games, of course, cross tables (cut down due to space constraints - sorry!)- enuff said - and a new problem ladder column.. This month's column features four original compositions by Cuban Master Roberto Chavez.. We will be seeing more of Mr. Chavez as he is starting to play and give lessons more often. He also promised to write some theoretical articles for future issues of the ICB. These should prove interesting as Roberto is an attacking player.

I could go on and on... but I won't. Just a reminder the Illinois Class is coming up! (See Tournament Calendar for Details) Also, I am working on getting the 1998 Amateur Team Championships Here in Illinois. Until next time keep pushing wood...

Joshua Flores

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# AT&T Knight Moves Chess Fiesta '97

By Hector R. Hernandez

The Rudy Lozano Branch of the Chicago Public Library hosted the first annual Knight Moves Chess Fiesta '97. A great deal of excitement was generated by these 2, 1-day tournaments which were sponsored by AT&T. About 80 advance entries were received and the overall number of participants was 100; 55 adults and 45 children, including 10 females. All players received a special tee-shirt commemorating the event and each Section-Adult and Juvenile- had 20 prizes each day. First place in each Section was an original hand-painted chess table designed by local community artist Guillermo Delgado. Tables

were won by the following players. Adult: Roberto Chavez, Saturday; and many-times Illinois State Champion Albert Chow on Sunday. Juvenile: Bennett Joseph, Saturday; and Luis Alfredo Requena on Sunday. Luis Alfredo's father, Simon Requena, is the chess coach at Kanoon Magnel School in Chicago's Little Village community. Three of the top five prizes in Saturday's Adult Section were taken by recent graduates of Whitney Young High School city champion team: Salar Jahedi, Pablo Wong and Martin Szafran. The Juvenile Sections were very much under control

of Knight Moves C.C. players plus Luis Requena, who plays at Lozano on and off, and Bennett Joseph who frequents the McKinley Park Branch Library C.C. as well as our own.

Sunday's Adult Section belonged to Illinois State Champion Albert Chow-1st-, and Miguel Santana-2nd-, Illinois' representative in this year's (and last year's) Denker Tournament of High School Champions. A real mix of Latin Americans followed Chow: A Puerto Rican, a Cuban, a Mexican and a Guatemalan. Here is the complete list of winners:

## Saturday: Adult Section

1. Roberto Chavez - table
2. Salar Jahedi - clock
3. Xi Ming Chen - video
4. Pablo Wong - set
5. Martin Szafran - book

## Saturday: Juvenile Section

1. Bennett Joseph - table
2. Jose A. Rodriguez, Jr. - clock
3. Lorena Duran - video
4. Javier Perez - set
5. Ulises Ortega - book

## Sunday: Adult Section

1. Albert Chow - table
2. Miguel Santana - clock
3. Roberto Chavez - video
4. Carlos Sanchez - set
5. Cipriano Menendez - book

## Sunday: Juvenile Section

1. Luis Requena - table
2. Lorena Duran - clock
3. Jose A. Rodriguez, Jr. - video
4. Bennett Joseph - set
5. Javier Perez - book

Illinois State Senator Jesus Garcia and the Executive Director of the Little Village (26th St) Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Frank Aguilar, were among the spectators. All participants were very excited, had a wonderful time and pledged to come back for future tournaments. Our main goal of reaching out and promoting chess more broadly in the city was met.

On behalf of the Chicago Public Library I wish to thank Ms. Lucy Mancilla and Mr. Ernie Whittemore, the AT&T representatives who brought these activities to our community and have expressed a desire to continue supporting local chess initiatives.

## **Pictures Below:**

**Left** -The four, hand-crafted Chess Tables by Community Artist Guillermo Delgado.

**Right** - Knight Moves founder / sponsor / Coach Hector Hernandez. Sunday Adult Section Winner Albert Chow in between AT&T Representatives Lucy Mancilla and Ernie Whittemore. TD Josh Flores





## READER'S PAWN-DERINGS

A column for whatever you want! Vent, rant, ask, argue, or just have a running discussion with others with different views. This area belongs to you. - Editor

### Rating or Ranting?

(The following was received from Randy Pals - Chesterton Chess Club-ed.)

Bill Smythe's argument that "USCF ratings are inflated, not deflated" is entirely fallacious. Although Bill seems to declare all statistics in support of deflation suspect because "those who have a point to prove can always come up with figures to back them up", I'll cite a few anyway. In 1972, the average non-provisional USCF rating was 1630. In 1985 it was 1663. In 1993 it was 1540. Last year, it was 1389.

However, let's leave the numbers behind and construct the rest of the case for deflation from the authority on ratings: Prof. Arpad Elo, author of The Rating of Chessplayers, Past & Present.

Elo states in his book that "control of the deflation is essential to the successful operation of any rating system. A variety of devices is available, but the administrator *must* select those appropriate to his particular pool." (p. 49). The reason that deflation control is necessary is rather elegantly stated by Elo: because the basic rating formulae are zero-sum (i.e. points gained by a player are lost by his opponent), every player will "steal" from the rating pool a number of points equal to his final rating minus his initial (non-provisional) rating. For most of us, that is at least several hundred points, for some, it is over a thousand points.

Elo also supports Kevin Bachler's argument about severe deflation in the scholastic ranks: "Deflation becomes more acute with a greater percentage of new and improving players in the pool and with their entry into rated competition earlier in their careers." (p. 48)

Elo gives examples of recommended deflation control devices, two of which are "bonus points" and "feedback points". The USCF quite properly added bonus points in the early 1970's (which Bill referred to as a "drastic Fiddle Points system"), but then quite unwisely stopped them in the late 1980's. Rating deflation has been the theoretically predictable result.

Bill's mention of the 50 point average difference between USCF ratings and FIDE rating in no way supports the proposition the USCF ratings are inflated. First, only a tiny fraction of the pool, all at the extreme high end, have both FIDE and USCF ratings. Secondly, the characteristics of the USCF and FIDE pools are entirely different, as Elo notes in his book (section 4.6). Thus, comparing these two pools together is and always will be like comparing apples and oranges, and there is no logical basis for expecting them to have zero average difference.

### Do what I say not what I do?

(The following was received from Cindy Misiak - Windy City Chess Association-ed.)

I grew up thinking chess was a game played by an elite group of cigar-smoking, cognac-drinking older men in the privacy of their den in their opulent estates. Chess was a game that was reserved for the privileged few, with the occasional exception of a lonely retiree playing an ad hoc game in a park with his friend. After having an opportunity to observe a tournament - The 1995 Chicago Open - I realized chess was a game that all could participate in: a particular gender, race or economic status wasn't a qualification to play.

Since the Memorial Day (1995) tournament, I have spectated at numerous other tournaments - with sites ranging from a Chicago Park District fieldhouse to the Hyatt Regency Schaumburg to the recent National Open held in Las Vegas. While not yet a full time player, I was able to observe the basic camaraderie between players at all levels at the tournaments. While during any game the opponents are each playing to win, the handshake before the game wishing their opponent luck as well as the handshake after the game with the words "good game", "congratulations", "thanks for the game", et al ... all indicated that whatever the outcome, sportsmanlike conduct was exhibited. [At this time *sportsman* will refer to both genders.]

As you may be aware, I am one of the two founders of Windy City Chess Association / VBCM. After being subjected to some good natured "well, why don't YOU play" comments, I've recently started playing as the "houseman" at our Windy City tournaments, with plans of participating fully in tournaments. Playing the game means learning the rules - therefore I have been reading the current rule book. I have noted on occasion, however, a few players' conduct at some of the tournaments I've observed seems to be in direct violation of the official rules, but yet the players' actions seem to be tolerated and accepted. I had plans of playing at other tournaments, but the recent actions of these few individuals make me rethink my plans. I want to play for fun, enjoyment and relaxation, I do not want to be insulted or treated as inferior person just because I play chess weaker than they do.

The most current of these behavioral questions was observed at the Master Challenge, recently held in St. Charles, Illinois. While watching a game at one of the top boards, I observed a player asking for repetitive [perhaps 10 consecutive] draws during a single game (doesn't this violate Rule 20G?), slamming pieces (violation of Rule 20G and 20A?), talking to their opponent in a derogatory tone during the game (violation of Rule 20A and 20G again?), and general unsportsmanlike conduct (after the game as well). I recognized the gentleman from a recent ICA meeting where I learned he was involved with promoting chess in the schools. Does this mean this person is going to pass on his idea of sportsmanship to kids who will be playing for fun? I sure hope, not as I am sure this will make other's rethink their playing tournament chess in the future as well. This was the same person who wrote what I thought was a very good article/letter in a recent ICB. Too bad he doesn't practice what he espouses.

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I question, too, the tolerance of these actions by the TD who was within 10 feet of said game. (It was loud enough to be heard by other games, still in progress, nearby and the inaction would seem to condone this behavior. *Too bad many people, including TDs, feel that strong players have the right to act this way.*) Why was this player permitted to carry on after the first outburst? Should he not have been warned/penalized for his actions? Should he not have been asked to calm down and act in a sportsmanlike way? Since he continued these actions over a prolonged period of time, why was he not reprimanded and/or time taken off his clock, as stated might be done in the rule book?

I would hope others would see this type of behavior and realize you can still be competitive without being hostile and/or anti-social. I want to have fun at future events, held in a variety of settings, while meeting a wide array of people from diverse backgrounds and establishing some long-term friendships.

### **Chess helps keep kids off the streets... but so does the Chicago Police force...**

(This is a letter sent to the previous editor of the ICB. I didn't include it in the last issue due to lack of time and space. It was written by me - Josh Flores - McKinley Park Chess Club.)

Salar Jahedi. A normal 17-year old if you were to look at him. Tall & gaunt. Dark complexion with a slight overbite. A smile which matches perfectly with his laugh. And an attitude.

No one could expect him not to have an attitude. . . after all. . . he is a teenager.

But his attitude was different than most other teens. His attitude exuded confidence. . . a dare. It would dare you to challenge him. Not many have been successful. He can back himself up.

I first met Salar 2 years ago at the McKinley Branch of the Chicago Public Library ( 1915 West 35th Street). I had started a chess club six months before which meets every Wednesday from 6:30 to 8:30. He had a passion for the game which reminded me of my own. Quiet yet outspoken, we would debate anything from the worth of playing in a tournament to the validation of the French

Defense. I saw him become a leader, a student, a scholar, a chessplayer, but, most important, become my friend.

Salar quickly took my cue & encouragement. (To hear his side, I never helped him. He accomplished everything by himself. I have to agree. My part, if any, was one of an observer, a guide, a listening post.) He bought a half dozen chess sets and began campaigning for the revival of the Whitney High School Chess Club. He found a Math Teacher - Mr. Mason - who was willing to sponsor the club and together they formed a team which took first this year in the Chicago Public School League Playoffs. Surpassing even the famous Orr High.

After further encouraging, Salar started to compete in USCF Events. In two years, he has become a solid 1600+ player, winning last year's class D tour prize, first in D in the 1996 US Class, and first in Class C in the 1997 Mid America Class. He currently ranks amongst the top 25 junior players in Illinois.

Salar is graduating Whitney Young with honors. He plans to attend the University of Chicago.

But yesterday - May 14th, I saw a different Salar Jahedi. I can only hope that this is only temporary. Salar came in late, with a lazy gait. The hunger in his eyes dimmed. Instead of the usual greeting he gives me - "Josh. . . I gained another (40-150) points this weekend! Pretty soon I will be higher rated than you!", he nodded back, my hello.

You see, Salar had an experience he did not deserve, no one should deserve, last Wednesday - May 7th. He had returned home after taking a test for the University of Chicago and decided to watch the rest of the Kasparov vs. Deep Blue game 4. He printed the score to show us and ran to the Library.

On the way there, he encountered 2 of Chicago's Finest. Granted, there are at least two sides to every story, but I tend to believe Salar's. He was ordered to stop by a white female. He complied and turned to see her jump out of her car and run towards him. He didn't know her, and she didn't identify herself. In the dark rainy evening, he panicked, scared that she may be wanting to kidnap him. He decided to run. In doing so, slipped on the wet sidewalk. The woman grabbed him. Salar, in self defense, hit her. At this point, her partner - a burly giant,

possibly Hispanic, male, shot out of the car and started to beat on Salar. If Salar weighs more than 115 pound in his almost 6 foot frame, I would be shocked. Slamming Salar's head into the sidewalk and car hood, the man twisted his arm back demanding "Where is it. Don't lie to me. We know you have it. We saw you down the street."

After they managed to place handcuffs on Salar, they then decided to identify themselves as Chicago Police. They kept Salar overnight at the 35th and Lowe Station. Only calling his father the next day, saying that Salar had struck a woman officer, but that he was a good boy and no charges would be pressed. Mr. Jahedi, went to the station to pick up his boy with flowers to give to the lady Salar hit.

As soon as Mr. Jahedi saw his boy, his embarrassment and anger at his son turned to shock and rage at the police.

This story ran in the May 9th Friday Sun-Times. All local channels picked up the story, running it as the headliner at the 5:00 and 6:00 News and a feature at the 10:00. The family is considering a lawsuit, and is looking for eye-witnesses to the incident. The police state that there were reports of gang incidents in the area and they were patrolling for gang members, possibly with guns.

This experience would scar anyone, and I am sure Salar is no exception. I promote chess because of my belief of it being a great equalizer. There are no boundaries in Chess. I firmly believe that hatred and division between people can be eliminated when we get beyond looking at the surface and see each other as a partner, a thinker, a player, and a friend. Chess does this par excellence. But chess didn't help Salar here and I am frustrated, feeling a sense of anger and defeat. This feeling left me yesterday, though. Mr. Jahedi picked up his son, and as they were leaving, Salar looked back with that cocky smile "Hey Josh, I gave the Club lots of publicity! Maybe more people will come to play. See you next week."



Another Happy Reader of the ICB!



# 1997 Chicago Open

By NM Alan Watson

From May 23-26, 1997 the Continental Chess Association sponsored their major Mid-Western event which features a \$100,000 unconditionally guaranteed prize fund. Despite the new location at the Hyatt Regency Woodfield, 700 players converged to enjoy spectacular chess. Game analysis was provided by the former US Olympic team coach John Donaldson. In the end, Walter Browne, Gregory Kaidanov, Alexander Shabalov, and unheard-of Ziatdinov shared first place by gaining 5.5 points each.

## ROUND 1

○Chow, A(2402)

●Olson, D(2063)

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 dxc4 5.a4 Bf5 6.c3 e6 7.Bxc4 Bb4 8.0-0 Nbd7 9.Qe2 Bg6 10.e4 Bxc3 11.bxc3 Nxe4 12.Ba3 Nb6 13.Bb3 Nxc3 14.Qe5 [14.Qb2 Ne4 15.Rfe1 Qc7 16.Nc5 Nd6 17.a5 Nd7 18.d5 Nxe5 19.Qxc5 Nb5 20.dxc6 f6 21.Qxc7 Nxc7 22.Rad1 Rd8 23.Be5 Nb5 24.e7 Rb8 25.Be6 Bb5 26.g4 Bg6 27.Rd2 b6 28.axb6 axb6 29.Bxb6 Rxb6 30.Bd7+ Kf7 31.e8Q+ Rxe8 32.Bxe8+ Kf8 33.Rd8 Bxc8 34.Rdxe8+ Kf7 35.R1e7+ Kg6 36.Rg8 Kg5 37.Rgxe7+ Kf4 38.Re6 f5 39.Kg2 Nd4 40.Rd6 Nc2 41.gxf5 Ne1+ 42.Kh3 Kxf5 43.Rf7+ Kg5 44.f4+ Kh5 45.Rf5# Gerusel, M-Frenzel, H/Bundesliga [1975] 14...Nd7 15.Qxg7 Qf6 16.Qxf6 Nxf6 17.Rfe1 Be4 18.Ne5 Bd5 19.Bc2 Be4 20.Bxe4 Nxe4 21.Rab1 b6 22.Rbcl e5 23.f3 Nd2 24.dxc5 Nb3 25.cxb6 1-0

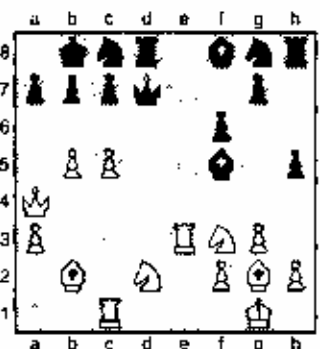
○Khan, A(2270)

●Ziatdinov, R(2522)

[Alan Watson]

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e5?? [Although the venerable Queen's Gambit has been known since the late 1500's, this sharp try to wrest the initiative from White did not make its appearance in master play until the game Lasker-Albin, New York 1893. The bold sacrifice offers a central pawn in order to develop rapidly and increase the scope of his pieces.] 3.dxe5 d4 4.Nf3 Ne6 5.g3 Bg4 [Several sources, including Lamford, recommend Kostic's 5... Qc6 in order to restrict White's choices for development by immediately attacking the c-pawn. Although

briefly popular in the late 1980's, this variation has been little seen since.] 6.Bg2 Qd7 7.Nbd2 0-0-0 8.0-0 Bb3 9.a3 b5 10.e6! [This tactic is often seen in the Albin Counter-Gambit and has as its specific purpose the retardation of Black's attacking schemes.] 10...Bxe6 11.b4 f6 12.Qa4 [By locating her queen to a4, Anna gains yet another tempo for her attack due to the threat of b4-b5 and Qxa7.] 12...Kb8 13.Bb2 d3 14.exd3 Qxd3 15.b5 Nce7 16.Rfe1 Bf5 17.Rac1 Ne8 18.Re3 Qd7 19.c5



[The second player's opening aspirations have failed to materialize and it is instead White's attack which casts a gloomy shadow over the opposing monarch. Superbly placed pieces and a battering ram ready at the fore give all indications that the coming siege will be quick and deadly.] 19...Nge7 20.Nd4 Bg4 21.Bxh7! Bb3 22.Qa6 [22.Be6 Nxc6 23.Nxc6+ Ka8 24.Qc4 Bf5 (24...Qd5? 25.Nxd8) 25.Qh1+ ] 22...c6 23.bxc6 Qxd4 24.Bxd4 Rxd4 25.Nf3 Rd5 26.Rb3 1-0

○Manion, J(2427)

●Rajlich, V(2216)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Be2 0-0 6.Nf3 e5 7.0-0 Ne6 8.d5 Ne7 9.b4 Nb5 10.Nd2 Nf4 11.a4 f5 12.Bf3 g5 13.exf5 Nxf5 14.g3 Nh3+ 15.Kg2 g4 [15...Qd7 16.Nb3 Nd4 17.Nxd4 exd4 18.Nb5 a6 19.Na3 Qf5 20.g4 Nf4+ 21.Bxf4 Qxf4 22.Ra2 Bd7 23.Nb1 Be5 24.Rh1 d3 25.Qxd3 Bxg4 26.Be4 Bf5 27.Re2 Qg4+ 28.Kf1 Bxe4 29.Rxe4 Rxf2+ 30.Kxf2 Rf8+ 31.Ke1 Qg2 32.Re2 Qxb1+ 33.Kd2 Rf1 34.Nc3 Rf3 35.Re3 Rxc3 36.Kxe3 Qe1+ 37.Kf2 Qxc3 38.Qf5 Qd2+ 39.Kg1 Qxb2+ 0-1 Rahman, Z-Konguvel, P/Asia Ch. Jr. 1993] 16.Bxg4 Nxf2 17.Kxf2 Ne3+ 18.Kxe3 Qg5+ 19.Kd3 Bxg4 20.Nde4 Qg6 21.Raf8+ Rxf8 22.Qg1 Rf3+ 23.Be3 Bh6 24.Re1 Bf5 25.Qg2 Qg4 26.h3 Bxe4+ 27.Nre4 Rre3+ 28.Rae3 Qd1+ 29.Qd2 Qb3+ 30.Nc3 e4+ 31.Kxe4 Qxe4+ 32.Qd4 Qf1 33.Rf3 Qe1+ 34.Kf5 Qh1 35.Qg4+ Kh8 36.Qh5 Qg2 37.Ne4 Be1 38.Qe8+ Kg7 39.Qe7+ Kh8 1-0

○Serper, G(2656)

●Blankenau, M(2296)

[Alan Watson]

1.e4 Nf6 2.Nc3 e5 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.g3 g6 5.d4 exd4 6.Nxd4 Ne5 7.e4 d6 8.f4 Bg4? [8...Ned7 9.Bg2 Bg7 10.0-0-0 11.b3 Re8 12.Bb2 Ne5 13.Re1 Bg4 14.Qd2 Qc8 15.b4 Ne6 16.Nd5 Nf8 17.f5 Nxd5 18.exd5 gxf5 19.h3 fxe4 20.Qg5 Bh5 21.Nf5 Bg6 22.Nxg7 Re5 23.Bxe5 dxe5 24.Nh5 f5 25.g4 1-0 Backe, Peter-Rygaard, Michael/Malmö (8) 1991] 9.Be2 Bxe2 10.Qxe2 e5? [10...Nc6 11.Nxc6 bxc6 12.0-0!; 10...Ned7 11.e5 dxe5 12.fxe5 Ng4!? 13.Bf4± (13.Qxg4? Nxe5 14.Qe4 Qxd4 15.Qxd4 Nf3+)] 11.Ndb5 Ne6 12.e5 dxe5 13.fxe5 Nh5 [No better is 13... Qd7 14.Qd5 Bc8 15.e6 fxe5 16.exf7+ Qxf7 17.0-0 when White's attack is deadly.] 14.Nd5 Bg7 15.Nbc7+ Kf8 16.0-0 Kg8 17.e6 Bd4+ 18.Kh1 1-0

○Szpisjak, S(2324)

●Kaidanov, G(2695)

1.e4 e5 2.Nc3 Ne6 3.Nf3 Bb4 4.g3 Bxc3 5.dxc3 d6 6.Bg2 Nge7 7.b3 0-0 8.0-0 f5 9.a4 a5 10.Be3 Kf8 11.e5 d5 12.b4 e4 13.Nd4 f4 14.Nxe6 bxc6 15.Be1 Ng6 16.f3 exf3 17.exf3 Ba6 18.Re1 Qf6 19.Qd4 Qxd4+ 20.cxd4 axb4 21.Bd2 b3 22.Rah1 Be4 23.a5 Kg8 24.Kf2 Rfe8 25.Bh3 Rxe1 26.Bxe1 Kf7 27.Be3 fxe3+ 28.hxg3 Ne7 29.Bd7 Rd8 30.Bh3 b5 31.Re1 g5 32.Ke3 Rg8 33.Bd7 Rb8 34.Kd2 b4 35.gxh4 gxh4 36.Ra1 Ba6 37.Rh1 Kf6 38.Kc1 Rd8 39.Bh3 Ng6 40.Kb2 Be4 41.Bd2 Re8 42.Re1 Rxe1 43.Bxe1 Kf7 44.Be8 h3 45.Bg3 Nh4 46.a6 Bxa6 47.Bxa6 Nxf3 48.Bf1 h2 49.Bg2 Nxd4 50.Bxc7 Ne6 51.Bd6 Kf6 52.Kxb3 Kf5 53.Kc3 Nf4 54.Bf3 Ne6 55.Kd3? [55.Kd2!] 55...Ng5 56.Bxd5 [56.Bg2 Ne4 57.Bf8 h1Q 58.Bxh1 Nf2+] 56...cxd5 57.Bxb2 Ke6 58.e6 Ke7 59.e7 ½-½

○Tate, E(2499)

●Simms, G(2260)

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Ne6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 e5 5.Nh5 d6 6.g3 a6 7.N5c3 Be7 8.Bg2 Be6 9.0-0 Nf6 10.Nd5 Bxd5 11.exd5 Nh8 12.e4 Nhd7 13.Be3 [13.Nc3 0-0 14.b4 a5 15.bxa5 Qxa5 16.Bd2 Rfc8 17.Rb1 Qa6 18.Re1 Nc5 19.Bh3 Re8 20.Rb5 h6 21.f4 Nfd7 22.fxe5 Nxe5 23.Rxe5 dxe5 24.Rxe5 Bf6 25.Re4 Re8 26.Rxe8+ Rxe8 27.Qe4 Bd4+ 28.Kh1 Qxe4 29.Nxa4 Re2 30.Be3 Rxa2 31.Bxd4 exd4 32.Nc5 b6 33.Nd3 Ra1+ 34.Kg2 Ra2+ 35.Kf3 Rxb2 36.d6 Kf8 37.Be8 Re2 38.d7 Ke7 39.Ne5 1-0 Tate, E-Carr, J/New York Open 1993] 13...Re8 14.Na3 0-0 15.Bh3 Ne8 16.f4 exf4 17.Bxf4 Bf6 18.Rh1 b5 19.cxb5 axb5 20.Qe2 h4 21.Ne4 Re5 22.Rfd1 Qe7 23.Bxd7 Qxd7 24.Be3 Qe7

25.Kf2 Rc8 26.Rhe1 Nc7 27.Bf4 Nb5  
28.Qxe7 Bxe7 29.Re1 Rfe8 30.Na5 Bf6  
31.Rxc8 Rac8 32.Nc6 Kf8 33.Re4 g5  
34.Rxb4 gxf4 35.Rxb5 fxg3+ 36.hxg3 Ra8  
37.a3 Ra4 38.Rh8+ Kg7 39.Kf3 h5 40.Rh4  
Ra8 41.a4 1-0

○Fedorowicz,J(2624)

●Dandridge,M(2327)

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Nd7 5  
.Ng5 Ngf6 6.Bd3 e6 7.Nf3 Bd6 8.Qe2 h6 9.  
Ne4 Nxe4 10.Qxe4 Nf6 11.Qe2 Qc7 12..Bd2  
h6 13.0-0-0 a5 14.Ne5 Bb7 15.f4 Kf8  
16.Rhf1 a4 17.g4 a3 18.g5 axh2+ 19. Kh1  
Nd5 20.f5 Bc8 21.gxh6 Rxh6 22.f6 Rxf6 23.  
Qh5 Ke8 24.Rxf6 Nxf6 25.Qh8+ Ke7 26.  
Qxg7 Bxe5 27.dxe5 Qxe5 28.Bg5 Ra5 29.  
h4 Qc3 30.Rf1 Rf5 31.Bxf5 exf5 32.h5 1-0

○Buterman,A(1786)

●Bishop,J(1689)

1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.e4 Nb6 4.d4 d6 5.exd6  
cxd6 6.Nf3 Bg4 7.Nc3 e6 8.h3 Bh5 9.b3 Be7  
10.Be2 0-0 11.g4 Bg6 12.h4 f5 13.h5 Bf7  
14.g5 g6 15.hxg6 hxg6 16.Qc2 f4 17.Bd3  
Kg7 18.Bxg6 hxg6 19.Rh6 Rf5 20.Nh4  
Bxg5 21.Rxg6+ Kf7 22.Nxf5 Kxg6  
23.Nxd6+ Kg7 24.Nee4 Ne6 25.e5 Nxd4  
26.Bb2 e5 27.Bxd4 exd4 28.Nf5+ Kg6  
29.Nxd4 Rc8 30.Nxg5+ Kh5 31.Qh7+ 1-0

# ROUND 2

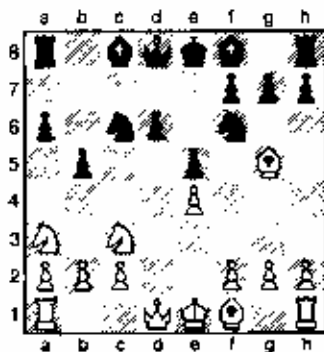
○Chudnovsky,J(2369)

●Sevillano,E(2585)

[Alan

Watson]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Ne6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6  
5.Nc3 e5 6.Ndb5 d6 7.Bg5 a6 8.Na3 h5



9.Nd5 [This move initiates the main idea of  
the Sveshnikov Sicilian and has been  
featured in the repertoires of both Karpov  
and Kasparov at one time or another.]  
9...Be7 10.Nxe7 Nxe7 11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.c4  
f5! [Theory deems that two alternatives are

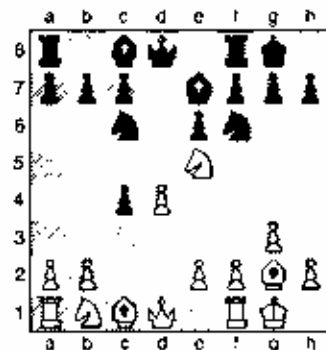
better than the text. A)12...Be5+ 13.d4d2  
dxd2+ 14.dxd2 b4 with equality as in  
Panchenko-Sveshnikov, Cheljabinsk 1975,  
and B)12...Qb7 13.exb5 Qxe4 14.bxa6 0-0  
15.Qc2 d5 16.0-0 Qc6 17.Qb5 d4 18.Bel  
d7 with counterplay. Henigan-Nunn,  
London 1993] 13.exh5 fxe4 14.bxa6!N  
[14.Nc4 Nf5 15.Qd5 Be6 16.Qe6+ Kf8  
17.Qxe4 Nd4 18.Bd3 f5 19.Qe3 f4 20.Qd2  
axb5 21.Na3 Rg8 22.Qb4 Ra4 23.Qd2 Rxg2  
24.Be4 Rg8 25.Rf1 d5 26.Bh1 Bh3 27.Rd1  
Bxf1 28.Kxf1 0-1 Vieten,S- Sutovsky,  
Emil/Groningen (1) 1993] 14...0-0  
[14...Bxa6? 15.Qa4+ Kf8 16.Bxa6 Qb6  
17.Qxe4±] 15.Bb5 Bxa6 16.0-0 d5 17.Qe2  
Qh6 18.Rf1 Bb7 19.Re3 [Preparing to shift  
emphasis of the battle onto Black's  
compromised kingside.] 19...Ng6 20.Bd7  
Ba6 21.Bb5 Bb7 [It would seem that  
Sevillano could easily have continued the  
struggle with 21...Qf4 when after the forced  
22.Qg4+ Qg6 when Black's active pieces  
and powerful center would yield good play.  
Perhaps, however, he feared that the  
exchange of queens would reduce his  
attacking prospects and allow White the  
better ending because of a queenside  
majority.] [21...Nf4!? 22.Qg4+ Qg6] 22.Bd7  
Ba6 23.Bb5 Bb7 ½-½

○Gurevich,D(2635)

●Chow,A(2402)

[Alan Watson]

1.d4 Nf6 2.e4 e6 3.g3 d5 4.Bg2 dxe4 5.Nf3  
Be7 6.0-0 0-0 7.Ne5 Ne6



[Although quite surprising at first blush, this  
dynamic variation speaks directly to the  
needs of the position and continues to score  
extremely well in practice. Black  
immediately solves the problem of how best  
to develop his sluggish queenside and after  
the following exchanges will find his Qc8  
actively placed on either a6 or b7.] 8.Bxe6  
[8.Nxc6 bxc6 9.Bxc6 Rb8 10.Nc3 Nd5  
11.Qe4 Nb4 12.Bg2 a6 13.a3 Bd7 14.Qd1  
Nc6 15.d5 Na5 16.Rb1 Bf6 17.Bf4±  
Gheorghiu-Robatsch, Helsinki 1972]  
8...hxc6 9.Nxc6 Qe8 [9...Qd6 10.Qa4 Nd5  
11.Qxc4 Bf6 12.Rd1 Bb7 13.Na5 Ba6  
14.Qe2 Nb4 15.Qd2 Rfd8 16.Nb3 Bc4

17.Na3 Bxb3 18.axb3 Bxd4 19.e3 Hf6  
20.Qxd6 cxd6 21.Bd2 Rab8 22.Be3 d5  
23.Nb1 Rd7 24.Ra4 Be7 25.Kf1 f6 26.Nd2  
Kf7 27.Rda1 Rbb7 28.f4 Nc2 29.R1a2  
Nxc3+ 30.Ke2 Nf5 31.Nf3 Bc5 32.b4 Bb6  
33.g4 Nd6 34.Nd4 Gurevich,D-  
Blatny,P/New York op (05) 1995/0-1 (53)]  
10.Nxe7+ Qxe7 11.Qa4 e5?! [11...e5!  
12.dxe5 Qxe5 13.Qxc4 Be6! 14.Qa6 (14.Qc2  
Bf5 15.Qc4 Be6) 14...Bb3 15.Re1 Qd5 16.f3  
Ng4 17.Nc3 Qe5+ 18.e3 Ne5 19.Qc2 Rad8→  
Spiridonov-Geller, Novi Sad 1978] 12.Qxe4  
cxd4 13.Qxd4 Rd8 [13...e5 14.Qh4 h6  
15.Nc3 Bb7 16.e4 Qe6 17.f3 Qb6+ 18.Kg2  
Rfd8 19.g4 Ra8 20.Qf2 Rd3 ½-½ Saldano,  
Horacio - Gomez Baillo, Jorge/Buenos Aires  
(2) 1993] 14.Qb4 h6 [14...Rb8 15.Nc3 Bb4  
16.e4 Qb7 17.Re1 Rc4 18.Bb6 Rdd4  
19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Qg5+ Kf8 21.Qxf6 Qxb2  
22.Nd5 Rd2 23.Qb6+ Ke8 24.Nf6+ Ke7  
25.Ng8- Ke8 26.Qg5 Kf8 27.Rad1 Rxc4  
28.Rxd2 Rxe1- 29.Kg2 Qb7+ 30.f3 Bd7  
31.Nf6 1-0 Ambarcumjan,A-Danielian  
/Armenian Ch 1989] 15.Nc3 Rb8 16.b3 e5  
17.Ne4! [Albert's failure to prevent this  
sortie with Qb7 and/or Bb4 has allowed his  
opponent unexpected and uncomfortable  
pressure on the kingside.] 17...g5??  
[17...Nd5 18.Qxc7 Nxc7 19.Ba3 Nf5  
20.Rfd1; 17...Rb6 18.Be3 Re6 19.Rae1±]  
18.Bxg5 hxg5 19.Qxg5+ Kf8 20.Qh6+ Ke8  
21.Nxf6+ Qxf6 22.Qxf6 Be6 23.Rad1 e4  
24.h4 1-0

○Ivanov,A(2663)

●Manion,J(2427)

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 e6 4.Be4 d6 5.Qf3  
e6 6.Nge2 Qe7 7.Bb3 Nd7 8.Be3 e5 9.d5 e5  
10.a4 Ngf6 11.h3 a6 12.a5 h5 13.Bg5 Bb6  
14.Bxb6 Rxb6 15.Nd1 Rb8 16.Ne3 Nh7  
17.h4 Nd6 18.Nc4 Kf8 19.Ba4 Kg7 20.Qd3  
Bd7 21.Nc3 Bxa4 22.Nxa4 Nd7 23.0-0-0  
Nh6 24.Rde1 Raf8 25.Qh3 Rb8 26.Kb1  
Ne8 27.g3 Ne7 28.f4 Nb5 29.Qd3 Rhe8  
30.Qd1 exf4 31.gxf4 Qf6 32.Qd2 Nd4  
33.Rh3 Re7 34.c3 Nb5 35.Qf2 Rhe8  
36.Rhe3 Ne5 37.Nxe5 Rxe5 38.Qg3 R5e7  
39.Nb6 Kb7 40.Nc4 Qg7 41.e5 Rd7 42.e6  
fxe6 43.Rxe6 Rxe6 44.dxe6 Re7 45.Qg5 d5  
46.Qxd5 Qxc3 47.Qxh5+ gxh5 48.bxc3  
Nxc3+ 49.Kb2 Nd5 50.f5 Kg7 51.Re5 Nf4  
52.Ka3 Kf6 53.Rxc5 Nd3 54.Rd5 Nf4  
55.Rd7 Ne2 56.Nb6 Nf4 57.Nd5+ Nxd5  
58.Rxd5 Rg7 59.Kb4 1-0

○Kapstan,A(2251)

●Szpisjak,S(2341)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Nf3 Bg7 5.cxd5  
Nxd5 6.g3 0-0 7.Nxd5 Qxd5 8.Bg2 Ne6  
9.Be3 Qa5+ 10.Bd2 Qb6 11.Be3 Rd8  
12.Qh3 Be6 13.Qxb6 axb6 14.a3 Nxd4  
15.Nxd4 Bxd4 16.Bxd4 Rxd4 17.e3 Rd3  
18.Bxb7 Rad8 19.Be4 Rd2 20.h4 Be4  
21.Bf3 b5 22.h4 h6 23.a4 bxa4 24.Rxa4

Rb2 25.Ra1 Rtb4 26.Be2 Bxc2 27.Kxe2  
Rb2+ 28.Kf3 Rdd2 29.Rhf1 Rbc2 30.g4  
Kg7 31.g5 f6 32.gxf6+ Kxf6 33.Kg3 e5  
34.f4 e4 35.h5 gxh5 36.Rh1 Rd5 37.e4  
Rd3+ 38.Kh4 Rf2 39.Ra6+ Kf7 40.f5 Rf4+  
41.Kxh5 Rxe4 42.Kxb6 Rd6+ 43.Rxd6  
exd6 44.Kg5 d5 45.Rh7+ Ke8 46.Re7 Re7  
47.Re5 Rf7 48.Kg6 Ke7 49.f6+ Ke6  
50.Re6+ Ke5 51.f7 Rd8 52.Kg7 Kd4 53.f8Q  
Rxf8 54.Kxf8 Kc3 55.Ke7 d4 56.Kd6 d3  
57.Ke5 d2 58.Rd6 ½-½

○Karklins,A(2400)  
●Shabalov,A(2624)

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 e5  
5.Nf5 d5 6.Qxd5 Qxd5 7.exd5 Bxf5 8.dxc6  
hxc6 9.Bd3 Bxd3 10.exd3 0-0-0 11.Ke2 f5  
12.Be3 Nf6 13.Re1 Kh7 14.Nd2 Rd5  
15.Nc4 Bd6 16.Nxd6+ Rxd6 17.Rc3 Nd5  
18.Rb3+ Ka8 19.Rc1 Rb8 20.Rxb8+ Kxb8  
21.Rc4 Kh7 22.Rh4 h6 23.Ra4 a6 24.Be5  
Rd8 25.g3 g5 26.Be3 Rf8 27.Bd2 Rf6 28.g4  
Nb6 29.Ra5 fag4 30.Rxe5 Nd5 31.Re4 Rf3  
32.Rxg4 Rh3 33.Rg2 Kc7 34.Be3 Kd6  
35.Rg4 Nxe3 36.fxe3 Rxb2+ 37.Kf3 Rxb2  
38.Ra4 h5 39.Rxh6 g4+ 40.Kg3 Re2 41.Ra5  
Rxe3+ 42.Kf4 Rf3+ 43.Ke4 h4 44.Rh5 h3  
45.a4 Rf1 0-1

○Martinovsky,E(2356)  
●Tate,E(2499)

1.e4 e5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 d6 4.Bg2 Be6 5.b4  
Bxc4 6.Qa4 d5 7.b5 Nd4 8.Rb1 a6 9.bxa6+  
c6 10.axb7 Rxa4 11.b8Q Ra8 12.Qxe5+  
Ne6 13.Nf3 Bd6 14.Qf5 Bxa2 15.Nxa2  
Rxa2 16.Bb2 Ne7 17.Qc2 0-0 18.0-0 Qa8  
19.Qd3 Ne5 20.Qd4 f6 21.Qg4 Ra4 22.Bd4  
Ng6 23.Qf5 Ne7 24.Qg4 Qe8 25.Ra1 h5  
26.Qb3 Rxa1 27.Rxa1 g5 28.g4 h4 29.Bxc5  
Bxc5 30.d4 Ng6 31.e3 Bd6 32.Bf1 e5  
33.Ra6 Be7 34.dxc5 Bxc5 35.Bd3 Ne5  
36.Nxe5 Qxe5 37.Qf3 Kg7 38.Ra5 Re8  
39.Qf5 Qf5 40.Bxf5 Re7 41.Ra4 h3  
42.Bd3 Bb6 43.Rb4 Re1+ 44.Bf1 Be5  
45.Rb3 Kg6 46.Rd3 f5 47.gxf5+ Kxf5  
48.Rxd5+ Kf6 ½-½

○Ritvin,S(2284)  
●Jakstas,S(2200)

1.e4 g6 2.d3 d6 3.g3 Bg7 4.Bg2 e5 5.Nf3  
Nc6 6.0-0 e6 7.e3 Nge7 8.Be3 0-0 9.Qf2  
Rb8 10.Bh6 Bd7 11.Bxg7 Kxg7 12.d4 exd4  
13.exd4 Qa5 14.Nc3 d5 15.e5 h6 16.h4 Qd8  
17.h5 gxh5 18.Ne2 Ng6 19.Nf4 Nxf4  
20.Qxf4 f5 21.exf6+ Qxf6 22.Qe3 Rbe8  
23.Ne5 Nxe5 24.dxe5 Qf5 25.Rae1 Be6  
26.Qxa7 Ra8 27.Qd4 Rxa2 28.Ra1 Rxa1  
29.Rxa1 Qg4 30.Rd1 Rf5 31.Qd3 h4  
32.Re1 hxg3 33.fxg3 Qh4 34.Qe3 Qh6+  
35.Qe3 Qxb2 36.Re2 Qa1+ 37.Re1 Qb2  
38.Re2 Qa1+ 39.Re1 Qb2 ½ ½

○Dandridge,M(2370)  
●Baczinskyj,B(2370)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 0-0 5.Nf3  
d6 6.Be2 e5 7.0-0 Nbd7 8.d5 Nc5 9.Nd2 a5  
10.h3 Ne8 11.Rb1 f5 12.a3 Nf6 13.f3 Nh5  
14.h4 axh4 15.axh4 Na6 16.Ra1 Bd7  
17.Qb3 Nf4 18.Ra3 Kh8 19.Rf2 e5 20.dxc6  
bxc6 21.Bf1 Qb6 22.e5 dxc5 23.bxc5 Qxb3  
24.Nxb3 Nb4 25.Rd2 Be6 26.Na5 Bh6  
27.Rd1 fxe4 28.Nxe4 Nc2 29.Ra4 Bb3  
30.Nxb3 Rxa4 31.g3 Rh4 32.Na5 Nd4  
33.Rxd4 Rxd4 34.gxf4 Bxf4 35.Bxf4 cxf4  
36.Nxc6 Rd1 37.Ne5 Ra8 38.Nf2 Rb1 ½-½

○Feltner,C(2021)  
●Wheat,J(2321)

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 exd5 4.Nf3 Nf6  
5.Bd3 e5 6.c4 Nc6 7.cxd5 Nxd5 8.Be3 cxd4  
9.Nxd4 Bb4+ 10.Kf1 0-0 11.Nd2 Re8  
12.Nxc6 Nxe3+ 13.fxe3 Qxd3+ 0 1

○Marema,D(2099)  
●Williams,L(2003)

1.d4 Nf6 2.e4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.e4  
Nxc3 6.bxc3 Bg7 7.Be3 e5 8.Bh5+ Bd7  
9.Bxd7+ Qxd7 10.Ne2 cxd4 11.cxd4 Qg4  
12.Qa4+ Ne6 13.Nf4 0-0 14.h3 Qd7 15.Rd1  
Rf8 16.d5 Ne5 17.Qb3 h6 18.0-0 Rac8  
19.Re1 Rxe1 20.Rxe1 Re8 21.Rxc8+ Qxc8  
22.Ne2 Qe4 23.Nd4 Kf8 24.Qa3 Nd3  
25.Nc6 Qxe4 26.Qaa7 f5 27.Qxb6 Qxd5  
28.Qb7 Qe4 29.a4 Qxa4 30.Qxc7+ Kg8  
31.Qe8+ Bf8 32.Ne7+ 1-0

## ROUND 3

○Chow,A(2402)  
●Simms,G(2260)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Nf3  
0-0 6.Be2 e5 7.0-0 exd4 8.Nxd4 Re8 9.f3 e6  
10.Kh1 Nbd7 11.Bf4 Ne5 12.Qd2 Qc7  
13.Rad1 b6 14.Nc2 Bf8 15.Bg5 Nh5 16.Bh4  
Ng7 17.Ne3 f5 18.f4 Ng4 19.Nxg4 fxg4  
20.Bd3 Be6 21.f5 Bf7 22.Qg5 1-0

○Chudnovsky,J(2369)  
●DeFirmian,N(2636)

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6  
5.Nc3 a6 6.Be4 e6 7.Bb3 Nc6 8.Be3 Be7  
9.0-0 0-0 10.Qf3 Bd7 11.Qg3 b5 12.f3 Na5  
13.Rad1 Re8 14.Rfe1 Ne4 15.Be1 h4  
16.Nee2 a5 17.e3 a4 18.Bxc4 Rxc4 19.h3  
axh3 20.axh3 Re8 21.c4 Qa5 22.Be3 Ra8  
23.Nc2 Rb8 24.Ra1 Qc7 25.Red1 Ne8  
26.Bd4 h6 27.Kh1 Kf8 28.Nf4 Qd8 29.e5  
Qc7 30.Nd3 Rxa1 31.Rxa1 d5 32.Ne3 dxc4  
33.Nxe4 Bh5 34.Re1 Qd7 35.Qf2 Rd8  
36.Bb6 Qxd3 37.Bxd8 Qxd8 38.Qh6 Qd5  
39.Nd6 Bd7 40.Nxc8 Bxc8 41.Qc3 f6 0-1

○Khan,A(2270)  
●Karklins,A(2400)

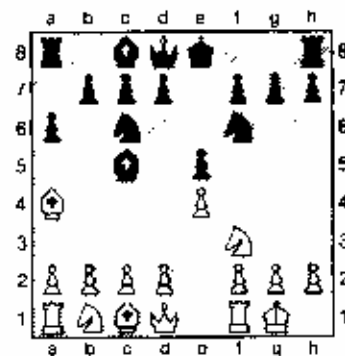
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13.dxe5 dxe5 14.Rbd1 Bd7 15.Bxb6 Qxb6  
16.h4 Bg4 17.e5 Qc7 18.Nb5 Qe7 19.Be2 a5  
20.Qb3 Nb5 21.g3 Nf6 22.Rfe1 Rfb8  
23.Nd6 axh4 24.axb4 h6 25.Be4 Bh5  
26.Nf5 Qc7 27.Rd6 Kf8 28.Bd5 hxc5  
29.Bxc6 Rxb4 30.Qc3 Ra5 31.Nxe5 Bg6  
32.Nd7+ 1-0

○Ortiz,E(2480)  
●Gurevich,D(2635)

1.d4 Nf6 2.e4 e6 3.Nf3 a6 4.Nc3 e5 5.e3 d5  
6.a3 Ne6 7.dxc5 Bxc5 8.h4 Ba7 9.Bb2 0-0  
10.cxd5 exd5 11.Be2 Be6 12.0-0 Re8  
13.Na4 b5 14.Ne5 Bxc5 15.bxc5 Na5 16.a4  
Ne4 17.Bd4 Ne4 18.axh5 axh5 19.Rb1 Bd7  
20.Ba1 Rxc5 21.Qd4 f6 22.Ng5 Qe8  
23.Nxe4 dxe4 24.Rhd1 Bf5 25.Be3 Re8  
26.Bb4 Ree5 27.Rc1 Bg4 28.Bxe4+ hxe4  
29.Rxc4 Qe6 30.Re7 Rg5 31.Ra1 Bf3 32.g3  
Qb3 33.Qc4+ Rd5 34.Qf1 Qh5 35.Raa7  
Red8 36.h4 Rd1 37.Be1 Kh8 38.Kh2 Qg4  
39.Rxg7 Qxg7 40.Rxg7 Kxg7 41.g4 R8d3  
42.Kg3 Kg6 43. f4 h6 44.Qg1 Re1 45.Qf1  
Kf7 46.g5 hxg5+ 47.hxg5 fxg5+ 48.Kg3  
Kg7 49.Kh2 Re6 50. g3 Rh6 51.Be3+ Kg6  
52.Qa1 Rd1 53.Qa6+ Kh5 54.Qe8 Rg1+  
55.Kh2 Kg6+ 0-1

○Sevillano,E(2585)  
●Martinovsky,E(2356)  
*[Alan Watson]*

1.e4 e5 2.NE3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6  
5.0-0 Be5



[The Moeller Attack is much better than its reputation and little seen nowadays despite having been a favorite of Alexander Alekhine at one time. As such, it is a very powerful tournament weapon which must be treated with respect.] 6.d3 [With this quiet move, White immediately threatens the e-pawn with 7.⊙xc6 and 8.⊙xc5.] 6...h5 7.Bb3

d6 e.c3 h6 [8...Bb7 9.Bg5 h6 10.Bh4 g5 [1.Bg3 Qe7 12.Nbd2 0-0-0 13.a4 b5 14.b4 gxh4 15.Bxh4 Rdg8 16.Bd5 Rg6 17.d4 Bb6 18.axb5 axb5 19.Qb3 Rhg8 20.g3 R8g7 21.Qxb5 Qd7 22.Kg2 Nxd5 23.exd5 Nb8 24.Qb3 f5 25.dxe5 dxe5 26.e4 Qd6 27.Nxe5 Qxe5 28.Rae1 Bxd5+ 29.cxd5 Qf4 30.Re8+ Kb7 31.Nf3 Rg4 32.Rh1 Qd6 33.Re6 Cortez Aparicio, Octa Lopez, Pablo Salta Teh ARG (2) 1992/1-0 (56)] 9.a4 Rh8 [Of course 9...Qb7 is also possible, but Martynovsky elects not to seek another avenue of development for this piece and not allow the exchange of rooks should White choose to exchange axb5.] 10.axb5 axb5 11.d4 Bb6 12.Be3 0-0 13.Nbd2 exd4! [An excellent moment for this exchange in order to increase the pressure on White's center by bringing a rook to the e file.] 14.exd4 Re8 15.Qb1 Bg4 16.Re1 Nb4 [The knight is extremely stable on the post and paralyzes the White queenside. Black is gradually taking over the initiative.] 17.Ne1 [17.e5?! Nf4 18.Qe4 f5? 19.Bxd5+ Kh8! 20.Qb1 Nxd5+ Martinovsky] 17...e5 18.d5 e4 19.Bxb6 Qxb6 20.Be2 Bh5 21.Ra3 Ng4 22.Rf3 Qd4 23.Nf1 Nxe2 24.Nxe2 [White had consumed a great deal of time up till this point and had only 5 minutes left to reach move 40.] 24...Qxe4 25.Ng3 Qg6 26.Nh4 [26.Rf5 Nf6 27.Ne3 Re7--] 26...Qxb1 27.Rxb1 Bg6 28.Re1 Ne5 29.Re3 Nd3 30.Nxd3 exd3! [This recapture is superior to 30...Qxd3 since the resulting passed pawn is both well-supported and difficult to deal with. White must pacify his rooks in order to contain it!] 31.Rd1 Re5 32.h4 Rxd5 33.f4 Re8 34.h5 Bh7 35.f5 Bxf5 36.Nxf5 Rxf5 37.Rexd3 Re2 38.R1d2 Re1+ 39.Rd1 Rxd1+ 40.Rxd1 d5 41.Rd4 Rxb5 42.Rb4 Kf8 0-1

Parham, B  
Smythe, B

1.e4 e6 2.Qh5 Nf6 3.Qh4 d5 4.d3 e5 5.Bg5 Be7 6.Nd2 Ne6 7.Be2 Qb6 8.0-0-0 Bd7 9.f4 e5 10.Ng3 dxe4 11.dxe4 Ng4 12.Bxe7 Nxe7 13.Ne4 Qc7 14.Ra7 Qxd7 15.Rd1 Ng6 16.Qe1 Qe7 17.Nd6+ Ke7 18.Nh5 Qe6 19.f5 Nf4 20.Bf1 Nf6 21.Nxe5 Qxe4 22.Rd7+ Kf8 23.Ra7+ Kg8 24.Qxe4 Nxe4 25.Be4 h6 26.f6 Rd8 27.Rd7+ 1-0

Porter, J  
Joh, P

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Be2 g6 7.Be3 Bg7 8.Qd2 Ne6 9.Nb3 b5 10.Bh6 0-0 11.Bxg7 Kxg7 12.a3 Bh7 13.0-0 0 Re8 14.f3 Na5 15.Nd4 Qc7 16.Qg5 Kh8 17.h4 Qe5 18.Qh6 Ne4 19.Bxe4 Qxe4 20.g4 Rg8 21.a5 e5 22.Nf5 d5 23.Nd6 Qe7 24.Nxc8 Rxc8 25.hxg6 fxg6 26.Qxg6 Nxe4 27.fxe4 d4 28.Qf6+ Kg8 29.Rh5 Bxe4 30.Qe6+ 1-0

# ROUND 4

Dandridge, M (2326)

Zaremba, A (2278)

1.d4 Nf6 2.e4 e5 3.d5 e6 4.Nc3 exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.e4 g6 7.f4 Bg7 8.Bb5+ Nfd7 9.a4 a6 10.Be4 0-0 11.Nf3 Nb6 12.Bd3 Bg4 13.0-0 Qc7 14.h3 Bxf3 15.Qxf3 e4 16.Be2 N8d7 17.Be3 Rbh8 18.Rfd1 Nc8 19.a5 Ne5 20.f5 Nd7 21.Qf2 Re8 22.Ba4 Rd8 23.Bxd7 Qxd7 24.f6 Bf8 25.Ra4 Qe7 26.Qb4 b5 27.axb6 Nab6 28.Rxa6 Nd7 29.Ra2 Ne5 30.Bh6 Kh8 31.Kh2 Qe5 32.Rda1 Nd3 33.Rf1 Bxh6 34.Qxh6 Rg8 35.e5 dxe5 36.Ne4 Qf8 37.Ng5 Qxh6 38.Nxf7# 1-0

Ivanov, A (2663)

Martinovsky, E (2356)

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Ne6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Be5 6.Bxe6 dxe6 7.d3 Qe7 8.Nbd2 Bg4 9.Nc4 Nd7 10.Ne3 Bxe3 11.fxe3 0-0 12.h3 Bxf3 13.gxf3 Qh4 14.Kh2 f5 15.Bd2 fxe4 16.dxe4 Rf7 17.Be1 Qh5 18.Bg3 Rxf8 19.Qd3 Rxf3 20.Rxf3 Qxf3 21.Qxd7 Qe2+ 22.Kh1 Qf3+ 23.Kh2 Qe2+ 24.Kh1 Qf3+ 25.Kh2 1/2-1/2

Karklins, A (2400)

Dean, J (2239)

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Ne6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.g3 e6 7.Bg2 a6 8.Nxc6 bxc6 9.e5 Nd5 10.exd6 Bxd6 11.Ne4 Be7 12.e4 Ne7 13.Qxd8+ Bxd8 14.Nd6+ Kf8 15.Be3 Rh8 16.0-0-0 Be7 17.Ba7 1-0

Kreiman, B (2607)

Chow, A (2402)

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 Nf6 4.Nc3 exd4 5.Qxd4 a6 6.e5 Ne6 7.Qa4 dxe5 8.Nxe5 Bd7 9.Nxd7 Nxd7 10.Be3 e6 11.0-0-0 Bb4 12.Ne4 b5 13.Qb3 0-0 14.Be2 Qe7 15.f4 Nb6 16.g3 Nd5 17.Bf2 Rac8 18.Kb1 Na5 19.Qd3 Rfd8 20.Bd4 Ne6 21.e3 Nxd4 22.exd4 Qb6 23.Rhf7 Be7 24.Ng5 Nf6 25.f5 h6 26.fxe6 hxg5 27.exf7+ Kf8 28.h4 gxh4 29.Rh1 Kxf7 30.Rxb4 Rh8 31.Rf4 Qd6 32.d5 Re4 33.Rxc4 bxc4 34.Qxc4 Rh3 35.Rf1 Rg3 36.Qe8 Kg6 37.Qf5+ Kf7 38.Qb5+ g6 39.Qh4 Kg7 40.Rh1 Re3 41.Qh6+ Kf7 42.Qxe3 Qxd5 43.Re1 Qd6 44.Rd1 Qc6 45.h3 Ba3 46.Be4+ Kg7 47.Qa7+ Kh6 48.Qxa6 Qe4+ 49.Bd3 Qe7 50.Be2 Be5 51.Qd3 Qf7 52.Rh1+ Kg7 53.Qb3 1-0

Manion, J (2427)

Serper, G (2656)

1.Nf3 d5 2.g3 e5 3.e4 d4 4.h4 exh4 5.a3 e6 6.axh4 Bxh4 7.Qa4+ Ne6 8.Bg2 Nge7 9.0-0 0-0 10.Ba3 Bxa3 11.Nxa3 Rh8 12.Rf1) d3 13.a4 a6 14.e5 b5 15.cxb6 Rxb6 16.Ne4

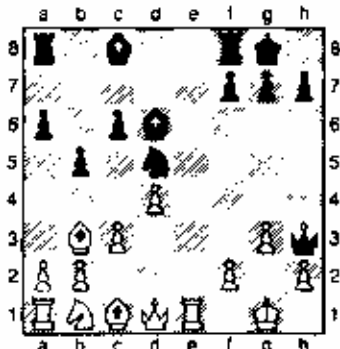
Rxh1+ 17.Rxb1 Nd4 18.Ne1 Nee6 19.e5 Qe7 20.Nxd3 Rd8 21.Kh1 Nb5 22.Nb4 Nxb4 23.Qxb4 Bb7 24.Bxb7 Qxb7+ 25.Kg1 Qe4 26.Nd6 Nxd6 27.exd6 Qxb4 28.Rxb4 g5 29.Rh6 a5 30.Ra6 a4 31.Kf1 Kg7 32.Ke2 Kf6 33.Rxa4 Rxd6 34.h4 h6 35.hxg5+ hxg5 36.Ra7 Kg6 37.Ke3 g4 38.Ra4 f5 39.Ra8 Kf6 40.Rf8+ Ke5 41.Ra8 Rd5 42.Ra3 Kf6 43.d4 Rb5 44.f3 Kg5 45.Rd3 Ra5 46.Rb3 Ra1 47.f4+ Kf6 48.d5 exd5 49.Rh6+ Ke7 1/2-1/2

Olson, D (2063)

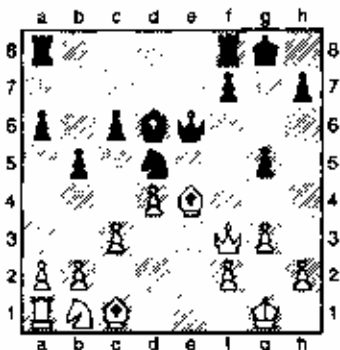
Chudnovsky, J (2369)

[Alan Watson]

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Ne6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 0-0 8.e3 d5! [The Marshall Gambit has long been popular among club and postal players due to the strength of Black's initiative.] 9.exd5 Nxd5 10.Nxe5 Nxe5 11.Rxe5 e6 12.d4 Bd6 13.Re1 Qb4 14.g3 Qh3

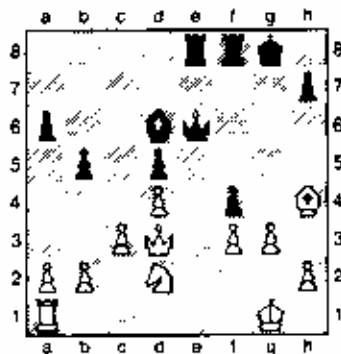


15.Re4!? [By threatening 16.fh5 White seeks to begin his own attack against h7 but often finds this piece clumsily placed. Normal is 15.Qe3 Qg4 16.Bd3 Bae8 17.Qd2 when both 17...f5 and 17...Qe6 (Spassky) offer reasonable chances to the second player.] 15...g5! 16.Qf3 [White must separately coordinate his remaining forces even if it means sacrificing the arrogant rook on e4. He may then garner some compensation by attacking the weakened Black pawns.] 16...Bf5 17.Be2 Bxe4 18.Bxe4 Qe6!



[18...Rae8? 19.Bxg5 h6 20.Bh4 Re6 21.Nd2

Rfe8 22.Rf1 Nf4 23.Bxc6 Ne2- 24.Kh1 Rf4 25.Bxc8 Rxc8 26.gxf4 Qxb4 27.Ne4 Nxf4 28.Nd6 1-0 Jakobsen-Nymann, Stockholm 1972) 19.Bxg5? [Theory had formerly continued 19.♖f5! ♗e1+ 20.♗g2 ♗xc1 21.♗a3! ♗xa1 22.♗h5 ♖f8 23.♗h6 ♗a7! 24.♗xh7+ with a perpetual check. White's rash move allows the f-pawn to press forward and maintain Black's attack.] 19...f5 20.Bxd5 [20.Bd3 f4 21.Qe4 Qh3 22.Bb4 Ra7 23.Nd2 Rg7 24.Bf1 Qd7 25.Re1 Be7 26.Bxc7 Rxc7 27.Qb1 fvg3 28.hxg3 Rfe8 29.Rxc7 Rxc7 30.Nf3 Qe6 31.a4 Nf6 32.axb5 axb5 33.Ne5 Nd7 34.Nd3 Nb6 35.Qc1 Qf6 36.Qd1 Nd7 37.Bg2 Qd6 38.Qg4+ Kh8 39.Qh4 Nf6 40.Ne5 Nd5 41.Bxd5 1-0 Georgiev,K-Lukaes,P/Balic Herculaine Zt 1982) 20...cxd5 21.Nd2 f4! [Or else White will play 22.♖f4 gaining a measure of relief.] 22.Qd3 Qg4 23.Bb4 Ra8 24.f3 Qe6



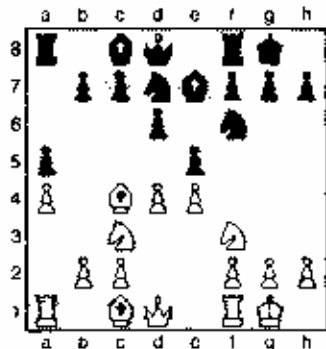
25.Kf2?? [Missing a tactic; his game was difficult nonetheless. After 25.♖f1 ♗c1+ 26.♗f2 ♗d3 27.♖e1 b4! the pressure is still on big time.] 25...Qe3+! 26.Qxe3 fxe3+ 0-1

○Sandager,S(2278)  
●Szpisjak,S(2324)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e5 3.dxe5 Ne4 4.Nc3 Nxc3 5.bxc3 Ne6 6.Nf3 b6 7.Bf4 Bb7 8.e3 h6 9.e6 fxe6 10.Qc2 Qf6 11.Be2 0-0-0 12.0-0 g5 13.Bg3 Bg7 14.Nd4 h5 15.h3 e5 16.Nb3 Ne7 17.a4 g4 18.hxg4 hxg4 19.Bxg4 Qe6 20.f3 Qxc4 21.e4 a5 22.Nd2 Qe5+ 23.Bf2 Qd6 24.Rfd1 Qh6 25.Bg3 Qe3+ 26.Bf2 Qf4 27.Nf1 Rh7 28.Qd3 Rdb8 29.Be3 Rb1+ 30.Kf2 Qf6 31.Qxd7+ Kb8 32.Ng3 Be8 33.Qxc8+ Nxc8 34.Rxb1 Bh6 35.Bxb6 Rxb6 36.Rxb6 Qxb6 37.Rh1 Qd2+ 38.Ne2 Nd6 39.Be6 b5 40.axb5 Nxb5 41.Rb1 Qd3 42.Rb2 Ka7 43.Ne1 Qxc3 44.Rxb5 Qxc1 45.Rxa5+ Kb6 46.Ra2 e5 47.g4 Kh5 48.Ra8 c4 49.Rb8+ Ka6 50.g5 Qd2+ 51.Kf1 e3 52.Ra8+ Kb6 53.Re8 c2 54.g6 c1R+ 55.Rxc1 Qxc1+ 56.Ke2 Qg5 57.Bf5 Ke5 0-1

○Ziatdinov,R(2522)  
●Adelman,C(2370)  
[Alan Watson]

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 d6 [The Philidor Defense was in its heyday in the early 1920's when regularly employed by both Alekhine and Nimzovitch. Fashion then changed and it was decreed too passive for modern tastes.] 3.d4 Nf6 4.Nc3 Nbd7 5.Be4 Be7 6.0-0 0-0 7.a4 a5



8.Be3 [8.Rc1 e6 9.Ba2 Qc8 10.h3 Bd8 11.Be3 Qc7 12.Nb4 g6 13.Nf3 Kg7 14.Nd2 Nh5 15.Nc4 Be7 16.Qd2 Rd8 17.g4 Nhf6 18.f4 Ng8 19.Rf1 f6 20.Rad1 exf4 21.Bxf4 Nf8 22.d5 g5 23.Bg3 e5 24.c5 fxe5 25.Ne4 b6 26.Nxe5 1-0 Glek, Igor -Dreyer, Martin/Hamburg (2) 1993] 9...c6 9.Ba2 Qe8 10.Qe2 Bd8 11.Rad1 Qe7 12.Nb4 g6 13.f4 [While Black has followed a similar path to the game considered above, this move clearly demonstrates the advantage of having not committed the king's rook. Its potential activity on the f-file goads Black into the ill-considered tactic he now adopts.] 13...Nxe4?! 14.Nxe4 Qxb4 15.g3 Qh3 [15...Qe7 16.fxe5 dxe5 17.Bh6+] 16.Nxd6 exd4 17.Bxd4 Nf6 18.Nxf7 Nd5 [18...Rxf7 19.Bxf6+] 19.Nxd8 Rxd8 20.Qe5 [Given White's devastating bishop pair, the game is already decided.] 20...Qh6 21.Qh8+ 1-0

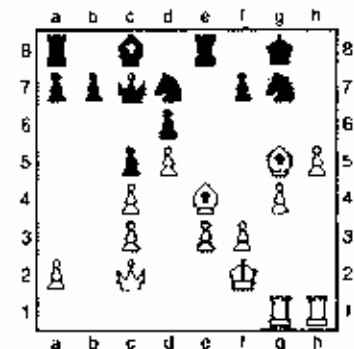
○Osanyinjobi,T  
●Jankauskas,K

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Ne6 3.Be4 Nf6 4.d3 Be7 5.c3 0-0 6.a4 d5 7.exd5 Nxd5 8.0-0 Nb6 9.Ba2 Bg4 10.Re1 Qd6 11.Na3 a6 12.a5 Nxa5 0-1

○Marema,D(2099)  
●Kilbardn,Z(2140)  
[Alan Watson]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Bg5 [The Leningrad Variation of the Nimzoindian Defense has rich and sporadic history which has sometimes seen it at the height of fashion (under the influence of Zak, Spassky, Timman, and Barceev) yet at other times virtually unknown.] 4...e5 [With the ♗c1 developed to g5, Black reasons that there is a certain weakness in White's queenside dark squares.] 5.d5 Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 b6 7.Bh4 e5 8.Qe2 d6 9.e3 0-0 10.Bd3 Re8 11.Nf3!?! [11.f3 Nbd7 12.Nh3 e4! 13.fxe4 Ne5 14.Nf2

Ng6 15.Bg3 Nh5 16.Qe2 Nax3 17.hxg3 Qg5 18.g4 Ne5 19.Kd2 Bxg4 20.Nxg4 Qxg4 21.Qxg4 Nxxg4? Ghitescu-Kozma, Bratislava 1957] 11...g5 12.Nxg5! [Whether by choice or a cavalier attitude 11.♗f3 committed Dave to this sacrifice which is objectively unsound.] 12...hxg5 13.Bxg5 Nbd7 14.h4 Qa5 15.Bf5 e4 16.f3 Nb5 17.Bxe4 Nf8 18.Kf2 Ng7 19.g4 Qc7 20.Rag1 Nd7 21.h5



[White's powerful sweeping bishops and advanced mobile pawns are more than sufficient compensation for the sacrificed piece.] 21...f6 22.Bh7+ Kf8 23.h6 fxg5 24.hxg7+ Kxg7 25.Qg6+ Kf8 26.Qf5+ Nf6 27.Qxf6+ Qf7 28.Qxd6+ Re7 29.Bg6 Bxg4 30.Bxf7 1-0

○Nikulovski,O(2023)  
●Richmond,B(1914)

1.e4 e5 2.d4 exd4 3.c3 dxc3 4.Nxc3 e6 5.a3 a6 6.Nf3 d6 7.Be4 Ne6 8.Bf4 Nf6 9.Qe2 h6 10.Rd1 Qc7 11.0-0 Ne5 12.Bxc5 dxc5 13.Rc1 Qb8 14.Rfd1 Bd7 15.b4 b5 16.Ba2 Be7 17.Nb1 0-0 18.Nbd2 a5 19.Nh3 axb4 20.axb4 Bxb4 21.Nc5 Bxc5 22.Rxc5 Qa7 23.Rc2 h4 24.Rb2 Qa5 25.Bb3 Rac8 26.Rdb1 Rc3 27.Nd2 Qe5 28.Be4 Rb8 29.h3 Ba4 30.Kb2 Be2 31.Re1 h3 32.f3 Qa3 33.Rbh1 b2 34.Re1 Qc5 35.Ba2 Bxb1 36.Rxb1 Re2 37.Qd1 Qc3 38.Bb3 Rad2 0-1

## ROUND 5

○Chow,A(2402)  
●Rajlich,V(2216)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Nf3 0-0 6.Be2 e5 7.f4-0 Nc6 8.d5 Ne7 9.Nd2 a5 10.a3 Bd7 11.h3 Ne8 12.Rb1 f5 13.b4 axb4 14.axb4 Nf6 15.e5 Bh6 16.Ne4 Bxc1 17.Rxc1 Nxe4 18.Nxe4 fxe4 19.Qd2 Nf5 20.Qc2 Nd4 21.Qxe4 Ra2 22.Bd1 Bb5 23.g3 Qa8 24.f4 Qa6 25.Qd3 Rh2 26.Qc3 Rh3! 27.Bxb3 Ne2+ 28.Kg2 Nxc3 29.Rxc3 exf4 30.gxf4 Re8 31.f5 Re4 32.fvg6 hxg6 33.cxd6 cxd6 34.Rfc1 Bd7 35.Ne3 Qe2+ 0 1

○Chudnovsky,J(2369)

●Ivanov,A(2663)

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Bg5 e6 7.Qd2 a6 8.0-0 Bd7 9.f4 Be7 10.Nf3 h5 11.Bd3 h6 12.Bh4 b4 13.Ne2 Qa5 14.Kb1 0-0 15.Rhg1 Ng4 16.Bxe7 [16.h3! Bxh4 17.hxg4 Be7 18.Rh1 Rfc8 19.g5±] 16...Nxe7 17.Ned4 e5 18.h3 exd4 19.hxg4 Bxg4 20.f5 Rfd8 21.Rdf1 Qc5 22.Nb2 h5 23.Nxg4 hxg4 24.f6 gxf6 25.Rxf6 Ng6 26.Qb6 Qe5 27.Rgfl 1-0

○Gulko,B(2684)

●Gurevich,D(2635)

[Alan Watson]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nc3 b6 4.e4 [Another means of stealing into Hedgehog territory lies in 4.g3 Qb7 5.Qb2 e6 6.0-0 Qc7 7.d4 exd4 8.fxd4, but Boris obviously has no plans to fianchetto his light-squared bishop.] 4...d6 5.d4 exd4 6.Nxd4 Bb7 7.f3 e6 8.Be2 Be7 9.Qa4+ Nf6? [Both players are cautiously approaching this theoretically well-known position. The text is necessary in order to maintain control over e6.] 10.0-0 11.Be3 a6 [11...Re8 12.Rfd1 a6 13.Rac1 Qc7 14.a3 Nc6 15.b4 Nxd4 16.Rxd4 Rac8 17.Qb3 Bf6 18.Rdd1 h6 19.Na4 Rb8 20.Qd3 Be7 21.Bf4 Ne5 22.Qd4 Ba8 23.c5 bxc5 24.bxc5 Nc6 25.Qd2 Qa7 26.Be3 dxc5 27.Nxc5 Red8 28.Qc3 Bf6 29.Qc4 a5 30.Bf2 Qc7 31.Qa4 Rxd1+ 32.Rxd1 Rd8 33.Bb5 Rxd1+ 34.Qxd1 Qc7 35.a4 Qe5 36.Nd7 Nikolic-Marjanovic/Yugoslavia ch 1980/1-0 (50)] 12.Rfd1 [12.Qc2 Re8 (12...Nc6 13.Rac1 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Rc8 15.Qd2 Re8 16.Rfd1 Qc7 17.Be3 Qb8 18.Qe1 Bf8 19.Qf1 Bc6 20.Rb1 Nf6 21.Bd4 Nd7 22.Kh1 Qa8 23.Rd2 Rb8 24.b4 Rbc8 25.Qf2 Qb8 26.a4 Ba8 27.Rdb2 Qc7 28.Bf1 Qd8 29.Rd2 Qc7 30.Ra2 Qd8 31.a5 bxa5 32.Rxa5 d5 33.exd5 e5 34.Be5 Nxc5 35.Rxc5 Bxc5 36.bxc5 f5 37.c6 Korchnoi, Victor - Baragar, Fletcher / Zagreb (4) 1987/1-0 (58); 12...Qc7 13.Rac1 Nf6 14.Rfd1 Nbd7 15.Bf1 Rac8 16.Qf2 Qb8 17.a3 Bd8 18.Kh1 Ne5 19.b3 Kh8 20.Nde2 Ba8 21.Ng3 Be7 22.Rc2 Rg8 23.Na4 b5 24.Nb2 Be6 25.Nd3 Nxd3 26.Bxd3 Qb7 27.Rdc1 Bb8 28.Qe2 Bd7 29.Bd4 e5 30.Be3 Ba7 31.Bxa7 Qxa7 32.cxb5 axb5 33.Bxb5 Qxa3 34.Be4 Be6 35.h3 Rc5 36.Kh2 Rgc8 37.Qd3 Matlak, Marek Wojtkiewicz, Alexander / Polanica Zdroj (13) 1988/1-0 (55)] 13.Qd2 Nf6 14.Rfd1 Nbd7 15.Bf1 Re8 16.Rac1 Qc7 17.Qf2 Qb8 18.Nb3 Be6 19.Nd4 Bb7 20.Nb3 d5 21.exd5 exd5 22.Nxd5 Nxd5 23.Rxc8 Rxc8 24.exd5 Bd6 25.g3 b5 1/2-1/2 Debaroi-Gheorghiu/Las Palmas (5) 1976] 12...Qe7 [12...Re8 13.Qc2 Bf8 14.Bf1 Qc7 15.Rac1 Nf6 16.Qf2 Nbd7 17.b4 Rab8 18.Nb3 Ba8 19.Kh1 Ne5 20.Na4 Nf6 21.Be2 Qd8 22.c5 b5 23.Nc3 Ne4 24.exd6 Rc8 25.Bxa4 bxc4 26.Nc5 Rc6 27.Nxd7 Qxd7 28.e5 f6 29.Ne4 fxe5 30.Be5

a5 31.Qg3 Kh8 32.Qxe5 axb4 33.Bxb4 Rb6 34.Be5 Rb5 35.Rxc4 Bd5 36.Ree1 b6 1-0 Peshina,Gimtautas Gyorkos,Lajos/ Hungary 1990] 13.Rac1 [13.Qc2 Nf6 14.Bf1 (14.a4 Nbd7 15.a5 bxa5 16.Qa4 Bd8 17.Nb3 Ne5 18.Nxc5 dxc5 19.Qa3 Rr8 20.Na4 Be7 21.Kh1 h5 22.Nc3 Bd8 23.Na4 Be7 24.Nc3 Bd8 25.Na4 Be7 26.Nc3 1/2-1/2 Adamski,Jan Cvitan,Ognjen/Berlin 1988) 14...Nbd7 15.Qf2 Rfe8 16.a4 Ne5 17.Rde1 Rab8 18.Kh1 Ba8 19.b3 Ned7 20.Qa2 Bf8 21.Bg1 h6 22.a5 bxa5 23.Qxa5 Qxa5 24.Rxa5 Bb7 25.b4 Rec8 26.Nb3 Be7 27.Ra4 Be6 28.b5 Bb7 29.Raa1 axb5 30.cxb5 Bd8 31.Na4 Rxe1 32.Rac1 Ra8 33.Nb2 d5 34.exd5 Bxd5 35.Nd4 Bb6 36.Nc6 Kf8 37.Be4 Bg1 38.Kxg1 Gurevich,D-Fedorowicz,J/US Open 08 (CHICAGO) 1994/1/2-1/2 (50)] 13...Nf6 [13...Rd8 14.a3 Nf6 15.b4 Nbd7 16.Nd5 exd5 17.exd5 Qb8 18.Nc6 Bxc6 19.dxc6 Nc5 20.bxc5 dxc5 21.Bxa6 Qa7 22.e7 Qxc7 23.Rxd8+ Bxd8 24.Rd1 Be7 25.Qe4 Qa7 26.Bb5 Qxa3 27.Bf2 Qb2 28.Qe2 Qxe2 29.Bxc2 Kf8 30.e5 Ne8 31.Rb1 Rb8 32.Bg3 Bd8 33.Bf2 Be7 34.Bg3 Bd8 35.Bf2 Be7 36.f4 f6 37.Bg3 g5 38.Rf1 gxf4 39.Bxf4 fxe5 40.Bh6+ Ke7 41.Bf8+ Ke6 42.Be4+ Kd7 43.Bb5+ Ke6 44.Be4+ Kd7 45.Bb5+ Ke6 46.Be4+ Kd7 47.Bb5+ Ke6 48.Be4+ 1/2-1/2 Clara,H-Vatter,H/Donaueschingen (4) 1985] 14.b4 [14.Kh1 Nbd7 15.Bf1 Rac8 16.Qc2 Qb8 17.Qf2 Ba8 18.b3 Rfd8 19.Qg3 Bf8 20.Na4 Re8 21.Bg1 g6 22.Rb1 Bb7 23.b4 Qa8 24.Nb3 d5 25.exd5 exd5 26.c5 Nb5 27.Qb3 Be6 28.Nxb6 Nxb6 29.Bxb6 Ra5 30.Bd4 Ree8 31.Nc5 Bb5 32.a4 Bxf1 33.Rafl a5 34.Nd7 Bxb4 35.g4 Re6 36.gxh5 Re6 1-0 Tomaszewski, Roman Jacobs, Byron / Germany (2) 1991] 14...Nbd7 15.Qb3 [15.Kh1 Rfe8 16.Qb3 Rac8 17.a4 Qb8 18.Bg1 Kh8 19.Rb1 g5 20.a5 bxa5 21.bxa5 Ba8 22.Na4 Qxb3 23.Nxb3 g4 24.Nb6 Rc7 25.Nxa8 Rxa8 26.fg4 Rb8 27.Nd2 Rcb7 28.Rxb7 Rxb7 29.g5 Ne8 30.b4 Bd8 31.Ra1 Kg8 32.Ra2 Ne7 33.Bd1 h6 34.Ba4 Ne5 35.gxb6 Bxh4 36.Nf3 Bg3 37.Nxe5 Bxe5 38.Be2 Kh7 39.Be3 Rb4 1/2-1/2 Fishbein,A-Kudrin,S/New York op (3) 1991] 15...Rac8 16.Kh1 1/2-1/2

○Kudrin,S(2614)

●Manion,J(2427)

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 d6 4.h3 e6 5.a4 a5 6.Be3 Nd7 7.Be4 e5 8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Nf3 Ngf6 10.Qd6 Qe7 11.Qxe7+ Kxe7 12.0-0-0 h5 13.Rd2 Ne8 14.Rhd1 Bh6 15.Bxh6 Rxb6 16.Bxf7 Kxf7 17.Rxd7+ Bxd7 18.Rxd7+ Kf6 19.Rxb7 Ra6 20.h4 Nd6 21.Rd7 Nf7 22.Nd1 Rh8 23.Ne3 Rd8 24.Rc7 g5 25.hg5+ Nxg5 26.Nxg5 Kxg5 27.Rf7 Rd4 28.Rf5+ Kg6 29.Rxe5 Rxa4 30.f4 Ra8 31.b3 Rb4 32.Rg5+ Kf7 33.Ne4 a4 34.Ne5+ Kf8 35.Rxb5 Ra6 36.hxa4 Rxa4 37.Nd7+ Ke8 38.Ne5 Ra2 39.Re5+ Kf7 40.Nd3 Rc4 41.Nb2 Rb4 42.Nd3 Rc4 43.Ne1 Raa4 44.Nf3 Ra2 45.Ne1 Raa4 46.Rg5 Rxe4

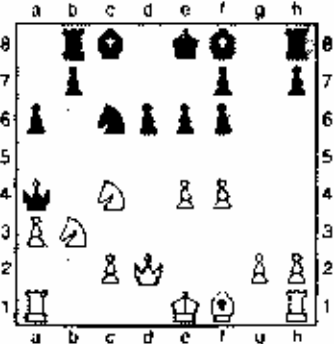
47.Nd3 Re2 48.Kd1 Ra4 49.Re5 e5 50.Rg5 e4 51.Ne5+ Kf6 52.Nxe4 Rxf4 53.Kxe2 Kxg5 54.Kd3 1/2-1/2

○Shabalov,A(2624)

●DeFirmian,N(2636)

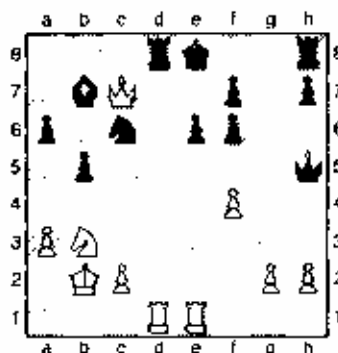
[Alan Watson]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bg5 e6 7.f4 Qb6!? 8.Qd2 [The Poisoned Pawn Variation of the Sicilian Najdorf is the sharpest and most direct challenge to White's scheme of development. Most notably championed by Bobby Fischer, Black devotes a number of tempi to the capture of a lowly b-pawn and the subsequent destruction of his opponent's queenside. White, on the other hand gains a powerful lead in development and can often sacrifice additional material to open lines against the beleaguered Black monarch.] 8...Qxb2 9.Nb3 [Though little seen before 1972, this line burst into the forefront of modern opening theory after being twice chosen by Boris Spassky in his Reykjavik match against Robert Fischer. Much more normal at the time were the classical 10.e5 and tactical 10.f5.] 9...Ne6 10.Bxf6 gxf6 11.Na4 [This unusual decentralization initiates a powerful strategy whereby Black's queen is forced into an awkward position vis a vis the white knights.] 11...Qa3 12.Nh6 Rb8 13.Ne4 Qa4 14.a3!

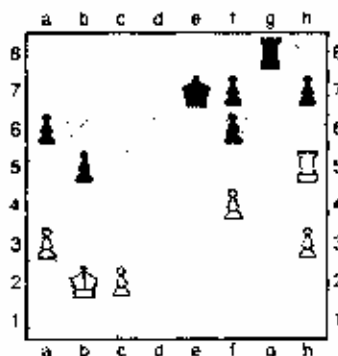


14...h5 15.Nxd6+ Bxd6 16.Qxd6 Qxe4+ 17.Be2 Bb7? [17...Qd5! (Boleslavsky's suggestion is regarded as necessary.) 18.Qxd5 exd5 19.0-0-0 Be6 20.Bf3 Ne7 21.Rhc1 0-0 (21...Re8?) 22.g4 f5 23.gxf5 Nxf5 24.Nc5 Ne7 25.f5 Nxf5 26.Bxd5 Be8 27.Re5 Rb6 28.Rf1 Ng7 29.Re7 Ne6 30.Ne4 Nd8 31.Ng5 Rd6 32.Be4 Rh6 33.Rg1 Kh8 34.Nxh7 Ne6 35.Re7 Rd8 36.Ng5 Ne5 37.Rxf7 Re8 38.Rc7 Rxb2 39.Rc5 Rf2 40.Nf3 Ng4 41.Rh5+ 1-0 Nunn,J-Stohl,I/Germany Bundesliga 1995] 18.0-0-0! [Unlike his White counterpart, the Black monarch now finds it impossible to gain shelter.] 18...Rd8 19.Qe7 Qe3+ 20.Kh2 Qxe2 21.Rhe1 Qh5





22.g4! [A tremendous diversionary sacrifice which sets up move 25 and further prepares White's 27th.] 22...Qxg4 23.Qxb7 Rxd1 24.Qxc6+ Ke7 25.Qc5+ Ke8 26.b3 Qf3 27.Nd4 [Black cannot maintain control over d1 and is forced to return the exchange on d4.] 27...Rxd4 28.Qxd4 Rg8 29.Rd1?? [29.Re3! Qb7 30.Rd3 Qc8 31.Qxf6+] 29...Qd5! [Finally securing the safety of his king by forcing a queen trade.] 30.Qxd5 exd5 31.Rxd5 Ke7 32.Rb5



32...Rg3! [The most important rule to follow in rook endings is "keep your pieces active even if it is necessary to sacrifice material." The passive 32...Rg7 would have defended the b-pawn in the short term but allowed White's king and rook to become active.] 33.Rxb7 Rf3 34.Rh4 Ke6 35.a4! [DeFirmian's position has become so powerful that White is now forced to think in terms of equalizing. 35.a4! seeks to trade the remaining pawns and transpose into a clearly drawn ending.] 35...hxa4 36.f5+ Kxf5 37.Rxa4 Rxb3 38.Rxa6 Kg5 39.Ra7 Kg6 40.Kc1 f5 41.Kd2 f4 42.Ke2 f6 43.e4 Kf5 44.Kf2 Rc3 45.e5 Rxc5 46.Ra8 [Even a 2nd pawn cannot alter the verdict that this ending is drawn. The stronger side's only chance of victory in endings of this sort is to cut off the opposing king from the queening square.] 46...Re2+ 47.Kf3 Re3+ 1/2-1/2

○Szpisjak,S(2324)  
●Psakhis,L(2607)

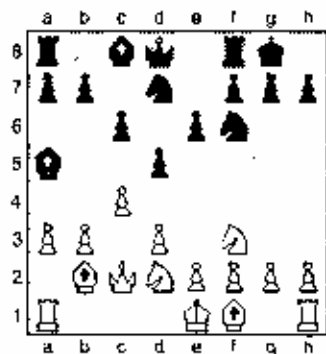
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Nf6 6.e3 c6 7.Nxe7 Qxe7 8.Ne2 d5 9.exd5 exd5 10.d4 e4 11.Bd2 Nc6 12.Nf4 0-0 13.Qb3 Be6 14.Rc1 Bf7 15.h4 Rac8 16.Qa4 a6 17.Ke2 h6 18.Qa3 Qd7 19.Bb4 Rf68 20.b3 g6 21.Be5 Kg7 22.Kd2 g5 23.hxg5 hxg5 24.Nc2 Bb5 25.Rc1 Bf3 26.Bxf3 exf3 27.Nc3 Rb8 28.Qc1 Ne4+ 29.Nxe4 fxe4 30.Rxb8 Rxb8 31.Ba3 Nd8 32.Qc5 Nf7 33.Re1 Rh2 34.Ke1 Qb5 35.Qxb5 axb5 36.Bb4 Nh6 37.Rc7+ Kg6 38.Rxb7 Ng4 39.Rb6+ Kh5 40.Bf8 Rxf2 41.Rh6+ Nxb6 42.Kxf2 Ng4+ 43.Kg1 Nxc3 44.a4 bxa4 45.bxa4 Nc2 0-1

○Tate,E(2499)

●Dandridge,M(2327)

1.e4 c6 2.h3 d5 3.Bb2 e6 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nd2 Nhd7 6.Ng3 Bh4 7.a3 Ba5 8.Qc2 0-0



9.Rg1! [Typically Tate!] 9...c5 10.g4 a6 11.g5 Nh5 12.e3 g6 13.h4 b5 14.Nh2 Re8 15.Be2 Ng7 16.Ng4 hxe4 17.dxe4 Qb6 18.Rb1 Bxd2+ 19.Qxd2 Bh7 20.Bd3 d4 21.exd4 cxd4 22.Nh6+ Kf8 23.a4 Nf5 24.Kf1 Nxb6 25.gxb6 e5 26.b5 Qf6 27.hxg6 hxg6 28.Rg3 Kg8 29.Re1 Qh4 30.Bf5 Nf8 31.Qd3 Rad8 32.h7+ Kh8 33.Be4 Bxe4 34.Rxe4 Qh1+ 35.Rg1 Qh5 36.f4 Ne6 37.Rxe5 Qh2 38.Re2 Qxf4+ 39.Rf2 Qe5 40.Rg4 Re7 41.Re4 Qh5 42.Kg1 Red7 43.Qg3 Ng7 44.Rh2 Qf5 45.Re5 Qb1+ 46.Re1 Qf5 47.h4 Nh5 48.Qe5+ Qxe5 49.Rxe5 Kxh7 50.e5 d3 51.Rd2 Rb7 52.Be3 f6 53.Re3 Nf4 54.e6 Rf7 55.Kf2 Rb8 56.Rb2 Re7 57.b5 axb5 58.axb5 d2 59.Bxd2 g5 60.Ra3 Kg6 61.Ba5 Rh7 62.Bd2 Nd5 63.b6 f5 64.b7 Rc7 65.Rd3 Nf6 66.Rd6 Kf7 67.Ba5 Ne4+ 68.Kg2 1-0

○Moure,G

●Paul,D

[Alan Watson]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e5 [This standard reply in the Classical Variation of the French Defense gains kingside space while trading off Black's "good" bishop.] 5...Nfd7 6.Bxe7 Qxe7 7.Qd2 [A better move is 7.f4 in order to prepare for the orderly completion of

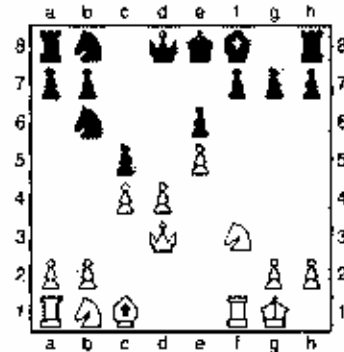
kingside development. While not strictly bad, this commits the queen a bit early.] 7...e5?? [Black is supposed to throw in the move 7...a6 here-a-bouts for a very good reason which he is about to discover.] 8.Nb5 Qd8 9.Nd6+ [However high our ratings or superior our opening knowledge, there will be many times when we find ourselves in an inferior position shortly after the contest has begun. It is at the critical moments when we must reach deeply into our soul and put up the greatest resistance possible while not becoming discouraged. Whereas 9...Bf8 would leave Black struggling but still alive, the text walks straight into a checkmate.] 9...Ke7?? 10.Qg5+ f6 11.Qxg7# 1-0

○Cima,J

●Lulues,J

[Alan Watson]

1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.e4 Nb6 4.d4 d6 5.f4 dxe5 6.fxe5 Bf5 [More common is 6...Bc6 7.Bc3 Bf5 8.Bc3 e6, but the text also has a particular charm whose intent is to strike at the center quickly with e7-c5 before blocking the pawn.] 7.Nf3 e6 8.Bd3 Bxd3 9.Qxd3 c5 10.0-0



10...cxd4? [10...Nc6! 11.Ng5 Qxd4- 12.Qxd4 Nxd4 13.Nxf7 Rg8 14.Na3 Be7 15.Bg5 Nd7 16.Nd6+ Bxd6 17.exd6 Rf8 18.Rfe1 Kf7 19.Be7 Rfe8 20.Rf1 Nf6 21.Nb5 Nxb5 22.exb5 e5 23.Racl b6 24.h4 exb4 25.d7 Rxc7 26.Re8 Rxd7 27.Rxa8 Ke6 28.Rb1 e4 29.Kf1 Ke5 30.Rxb4 Rd2 31.Rxa7 Nd5 32.Rb3 e3 33.Rxg7 Rf2+ 34.Ke1 Rxa2 35.Rxb7 Rxd2 36.Rh4 Rg1+ 37.Ke2 Rg2+ 38.Kf1 e2+ 39.Ke1 Nf4 40.Rg3 Rxd3 41.hxg3 Ng2+ 1-0 Vorava,Jan Iannaccone, Ernesto Bad Worishofen (5) 1993] 11.Ng5 [Black's error on the previous move has granted White an indisputable advantage which Joe now converts to a win with determined and consistent play.] 11...f6 12.exf6 gxf6 13.Nxh7?? [Perhaps better was 13.Qxc6 Qxd7 14.fdl when there is no opportunity for Black to avoid the worst.] 13...Rxb7?? [13...f5! 14.Ng5 Qf6 15.Re1 e5 16.Qxd4 Nc6 17.Qd3 Be5+=] 14.Qxh7 Be7 15.Na3 d3 16.Be3 Nc6 17.Qg6+ Kd7 18.Qxd3+ Ke8 19.Qg6+ 1-0

# ROUND 6

○Browne,W(2608)

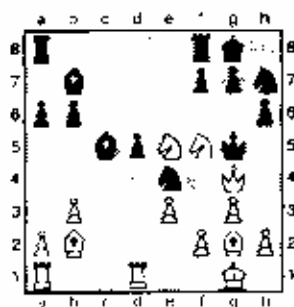
●Mariano,C(2321)

1.d4 d6 2.e4 c6 3.f4 d5 4.e5 Bf5 5.Bd3 Bxd3  
6.Qxd3 e6 7.f5 exf5 8.Qxf5 Qd7 9.Qf2 Na6  
10.Nf3 Nc7 11.0-0 Ne6 12.Ng5 Nh6  
13.Nxe6 fxe6 14.Bxb6 gxh6 15.Qh4 Qg7  
16.Qh3 Kd7 17.Rf6 Re8 18.Nc3 Qg5  
19.Raf1 Rg8 20.Nc2 Qd2 21.Qh5 Qg5  
22.Nf4 e5 23.c3 cxd4 24.cxd4 Bh4 25.Qe2  
a6 26.Qd3 b5 27.a4 Rg8 28.axb5 Rxf6  
29.cxf6 Qxf6 30.Nxd5 1-0

○Yermolinsky,A(2698)

●Browne,W(2604)

1.Nf3 c5 2.e4 Nf6 3.Nc3 e6 4.g3 b6 5.Bg2  
Bb7 6.0-0 Be7 7.d4 cxd4 8.Qxd4 d6 9.b3  
Nbd7 10.Nb5 Ne5 11.Rd1 d5 12.exd5 exd5  
[12...Nxd5 13.Qxg7 Bf6 14.Nd6+ Kc7  
15.Bg5 1-0 Kreisell-Macku/corr ch-CSSR  
1991] 13.Bb2 0-0 14.Qf4 a6 15.Nbd4 Bd6  
16.Qh4 Nee4 17.Nf5 Be5 18.e3 h6 19.Ne5  
Nh7 20.Qg4 Qg5



21.h4 Qxg4 22.Nxg4 d4 23.exd4 Bb4 24.a3  
Bd2 25.Rxd2 Nxd2 26.Bxb7 Ra7 27.d5 f6  
28.Be6 h5 29.Nge3 Nxb3 30.Rd1 Na5  
31.Bd4 Rb8 32.Rb1 Nxe6 33.dxc6 g6  
34.Nd6 1-0

○Blatny,P(2604)

●Gulko,B(2684) [A04]

1.Nf3 c5 2.e3 g6 3.d4 Bg7 4.b3 Nf6 5.Bh2  
cxd4 6.exd4 0-0 7.g3 d5 8.Bg2 Nc6 9.0-0  
Bg4 10.Nbd2 Re8 11.h3 Bxf3 12.Nxf3 e6  
13.c3 b5 14.Qe2 Qb6 15.Rfd1 Rfd8 16.Bf1  
Rb8 17.Rac1 Ne4 18.Kg2 Rdc8 19.Ba1 Bh6  
20.Rc2 Qc7 21.Nc1 a5 22.Bh2 a4 23.Bc1  
Bxc1 24.Rdxc1 axb3 25.axb3 e5 26.Nf3  
Re8 27.Qe3 Qb6 28.Qd3 b4 29.e4 Nc3  
30.dxe5 Nxe5 31.Nxe5 Rxe5 32.cxd5 Rxd5  
33.Qe6 Qxe6 34.Bxe6 Kf8 35.Be4 Rd4  
36.Ra1 Rb7 37.Ra8+ Kg7 38.Re8 Ne4  
39.Rc6 Nd2 40.Re5

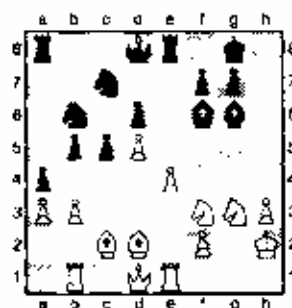


40...Nxc4 41.R5xc4 Rd3 42.Rb2 Kf6  
43.Re4 Kf5 44.f3 h5 45.h4 Kf6 46.Kf2 Rb5  
47.Re3 Rc3 48.Rd2 Rb6 49.Ke2 Re6  
50.Rdd3 Re2+ 51.Rd2 Re3 52.Rxe6+ Kxe6  
53.Rd3 Rxd3 54.Kxd3 Kd5 55.g4 f5 1/2-1/2

○DeFirmian,N(2636)

●Ziatdinov,R(2522)]

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0  
Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 d6 8.c3 Bg4 9.d3 0-0  
10.Nbd2 Na5 11.Be2 c5 12.h3 Bh5 13.Nf1  
Ne8 14.Ng3 Bg6 15.d4 exd4 16.cxd4 Nc7  
17.a3 Re8 18.d5 Bf6 19.Rh1 Ne4 20.Kh2 h5  
21.h3 Nb6 22.Bd2 h4 23.Nf1 a5 24.g4  
hxg3+ 25.Nxg3 a4



26.h4 axb3 27.Rxb3 Ne4 28.Be1 Be5  
29.Bg5 Bg3+ 30.Kxg3 Qd7 31.Qc1 f5  
32.exf5 Bxf5 33.Rxe8+ Rxe8 34.a4 Nxd5  
35.axb5 Be4 36.Nd2 Nxd2 37.Qxd2 Qf5  
38.Bxe4 Rxe4 39.Qd1 Nb6 40.Kg2 e4  
41.Re3 Rg4+ 42.Rg3 Rxg3+ 43.Kxg3 1/2-1/2

○Psakhis,Lev

●Manton,Josh [E94]

1.d4 Nf6 2.e4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Be2  
0-0 6.Nf3 e5 7.0-0 exd4 8.Nxd4 Re8 9.f3  
Nc6 10.Be3 Nh5 11.Qd2 Nf4 12.Rfd1  
Nxe2+ 13.Nxe2 Bd7 14.Rac1 a6 15.h3 Ne5  
16.Nc3 Rb8 17.Nde2 Be6 18.Nd5 c5 19.Bg5  
f6 20.Bh6 Bxh6 21.Qxh6 Bxd5 22.Rxd5 h5  
23.Qd2 Nf7 24.Ng3 hxc4 25.Rxc4 a5  
26.Nf1 Rb4 27.Ne3 Qc7 28.h3 Ra8 29.Re1  
Qa7 30.Kh1 a4 31.Rd3 axb3 32.axb3 Qh7  
33.Qc3 Ra3 34.Rb1 Ne5 35.Rxd6 Rxb3  
36.Rxb3 Qxb3 37.Qxc5 Nf7

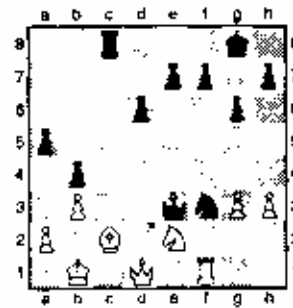


38.Nd5 Nxd6 39.Qxd6 Ra7 40.Qd8+ Kg7  
41.Qxf6+ Kh6 42.Ne7 Ra5 43.e5 Qb1+  
44.Kh2 Qc2 45.Ng8+ Kh5 46.h4 Qd2  
47.Kh3 1-0

○Karklins,A(2400)

●Kudrin,S(2614) [B70]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6  
5.Nc3 g6 6.g3 Ne6 7.Nde2 b6 8.Bg2 Bb7  
9.b3 Bg7 10.Bb2 0-0 11.Qd2 b5 12.0-0-0  
Qa5 13.Kh1 Ng4 14.Qe1 b4 15.Na4 Bxb2  
16.Nxb2 Rac8 17.Nc4 Qc7 18.Bh3 Nee5  
19.Nxe5 Nxc5 20.Bxc8 Bxc4 21.Ba6 Bxc2+  
22.Ka1 Bxd1 23.Qxd1 Qb6 24.Bd3 Qxf2  
25.Kb1 Re8 26.h3 a5 27.Rf1 Qe3 28.Bc2  
Nf3

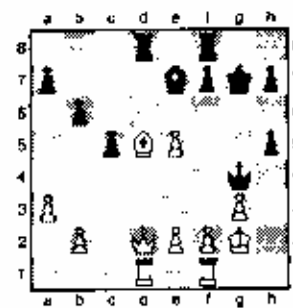


29.Kb2 a4 30.bxa4 Nd2 0-1

○Chow,A(2402)

●Blankenau,M(2296) [E00]

1.d4 Nf6 2.e4 e6 3.g3 Bb4+ 4.Nd2 0-0 5.a3  
Be7 6.Bg2 d5 7.Ng3 Nbd7 8.0-0 b6 9.cxd5  
exd5 10.Ne5 Nxe5 11.dxc5 Ng4 12.Nf3 c5  
13.h3 Nh6 14.Bxh6 gxh6 15.Qd2 Kg7  
16.Nh2 Be6 17.Ng4 Bxg4 18.bxg4 Qd7  
19.Bxd5 Rad8 20.Rad1 Qxg4 21.Kg2 h5





22.Rb4 g3 23.hxg3 Rxb1+ 24.Nxh1 a5  
 25.Rc4 Kd6 26.a4 Ng4 27.Kd2 Bd7 28.Ke2  
 Be6 29.b4 b6 30.Nf2 Nxf2 31.Kxf2 Rg8  
 32.Be2 f6 33.bxa5 hxa5 34.Kf3 Bxc4  
 35.Bxc4 Re8 36.Bf7 Rxc3+ 37.Kg4 Re3  
 38.Bd5 Ra3 39.Kf5 Ke7 40.g4 Rg3 41.Be6  
 Rvg2 42.Bd5 Rf2+ 43.Kg6 Rf4 44.Kh5  
 Kd6 45.Bb7 Kc5 46.Ba8 Kd4 47.Be6 Ke3  
 48.Bb7 Kf3 49.g5 fvg5 50.Kxg5 Ke3  
 51.Be6 Kd4 0-1

○Szpisjak,S(2324)

●Chow,A(2402)

[Alan Watson]

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.d4 exd4  
 5.Nxd4 Ne6 6.Nc2?? [In his excellent 2-  
 volume work on the English Opening,

Bagirov notes that this continuation is  
 extremely risky for White. Black maintains a  
 good game precisely because White's bishop  
 pair is unable to generate sufficient activity  
 in this semi-closed position to compensate  
 for the doubled pawns.] 6...Bxc3+! 7.hxc3  
 Qa5 8.Qd3 d6 [8...Nf6 9.f3 d6 10.e4 0-0  
 11.Be2 Be6 12.Ne3 Rf8 13.Bd2 Ne5  
 14.Qd4 Nc6 1/2 1/2 Winkeler,U-  
 Muller,Michael/Portz (7) 1994] 9.e4 Nf6  
 10.f3 [10.Be2?! Nxe4 11.Qxe4 Bf5 12.Qc3  
 Bxc2 13.0-0 0-0 14.Bf3 Qc7 15.Bxc6 bxc6  
 16.Re1 Rf8 17.Qh6 c5 18.hg5 f6 19.Bh4  
 Bd3 20.Re3 Bxc4 21.Rae1 Qd7 22.f4 Rab8  
 23.h3 Baa2 24.f5 Qxf5 25.Rxe7 Rxe7  
 26.Rxc7 Bf7 27.Rxa7 Qe5 28.Ral Qxc3  
 29.Rc1 Qd4 30.Bf2 Qc4 31.Qh4 Bd5  
 32.Qxc4 Bxc4 33.Rd1 Rb6 34.Re1 f5 E1  
 Ghazali,Y Almasi,U/Budapest FSGM Dec

(5) 1995/0-1 (51)] 10...Be6 11.Ne3 0-0  
 [11...Re8 12.Bd2 Nd7 13.f4 Qa4 14.Qb1 Na5  
 15.Qb4 Nb6 16.c5 Rxc5 17.Bd3 0-0 18.0-0  
 Nac4 19.Bxc4 Bxc4 20.Rfc1 Rfc8 21.Ng4  
 Rb5 22.Qxa4 Nxa4 23.Nf2 Rb2 24.Be1 Rxa2  
 25.Rxa2 Bxa2 26.Rd2 Nxc3 27.g4 Be6 28.f5  
 Bd7 29.Nd3 b5 30.Nb4 Kf8 31.c5 dxc5  
 32.Rxe5 Re4 33.Bxc3 Rxc3 34.Nd5 Re5  
 35.fxg6 hxg6 36.Kf2 Be6 37.Rxc6 fxc6  
 38.Nf4 Kf7 39.h4 b4 40.h5 gxh5 0-1 David-  
 Vaulin,Alexander(3) 1992] 12.Bd2 Ne5  
 13.Qd4 Ne6 14.Qd3 Ne5 15.Qd4 Nc6  
 16.Qd3 Ne5 [My research indicates that  
 Black scores quite well in this variation and  
 would have been well-advised to continue  
 the battle.] 1/2-1/2

## 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE STATE CHAMPION - DMITRY G.... (NOT GUREVICH BUT GIANNAKOPOULOS, BY RAY DOYLE SATTERLEE

Dmitry Giannakopoulos started playing  
 chess in the sixth grade. He was  
 inspired by the fact that his team won  
 the Scholastic State Championship in  
 1995 (Glenside Middle school). When  
 Dmitry entered seventh grade he had  
 the lofty goal of winning the Scholastic  
 State Championship. Since Dmitry had  
 only been playing a short time, it  
 seemed like the impossible dream. But  
 in the state championship, held in Peoria  
 in March of this year, Dmitry quietly  
 walked the walk and won the State with  
 a perfect 7-0 score.

Dmitry, who plays regularly at the St.  
 Charles and the Fox Valley Naperville  
 Chess Clubs, is a friendly and  
 formidable opponent with an infectious  
 enthusiasm for chess as a fun game.  
 Dmitry's two great-grandfathers were  
 Russian chess players, one of whom beat  
 Salo Flohr in a simul and the other of  
 whom played Alekhine in a simul  
 according to Dmitry's grandfather,  
 Vasily, also a person with Russian roots.

Dmitry also has a great admiration for  
 this namesake, Dmitry Gurevich, who is  
 also in the habit of winning with perfect  
 scores!

[Two of Dmitry's games at this event  
 follow - notes are by Ray Doyle  
 Satterlee. - Editor]

1997 Scholastic State Championship  
 Game 60  
 Peoria IL  
 3/2/97

Round 5

W- Jeff Busca 1310  
 B - Dmitry Giannakopoulos 1389

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nf6 3. Bc4 Nxe4 4. Ne3  
 (Boden-Kieseritsky Gambit) Nxc3  
 (correct move) 5. dxc3 f6 6. Be3 d6 7.  
 Qd5? (loses time, and easy attack to  
 stop.) Qe7 8. O-O-O e6 9. Qd2 d5 10.  
 Be2 Be6 (White's attack has dissipated)  
 11. Ne1 Nd7 12. Nd3 Qd8 13. f3 Qa5 14.  
 a3 Bxa3! 15. bxa3 Qxa3 16. Nb2???  
 Qa1 ++ (if 16. Kb1 d4 wins for Black.)

Jeff won all of his games in this tourney  
 except for this one and finished in the top five.  
 [ Good going Jeff! -Editor]

Dmitry was the only perfect scorer going  
 into this round.

Round 7.

W- Alan Rose (1427)  
 B - Dmitry Giannakopoulos (1389)

1. e4 e5 2. e3 e6 (Black transposes into the  
 French Defense) 3. d4 d5 4. cd Qxd5 5. Nf3  
 Ne6 6. Be2 Nf6 7. O-O cd? (Gives White easy  
 development.) 8. cd Be7 9. Ne3 Qd8 (NM  
 Josh Manion Suggested Qa5) 10. Re1 O O  
 11. Bf4 Nd5 12. Bg3 a6 13. a3 b5 14. Qc2  
 Bh7 15. Rad1 Re8 16. Ne5 Bd6 17. Bf3 Ne37  
 18. Qb3 Nxc3! (This move weakens White's  
 pawn structure.) 19. bxc3 Bxf3 20. Nxf3 Bxg3  
 21. hxg3 Qe7 22. Rd3 Qe4 23. Qxc4 Rxc4 24.  
 Nd2 Re6 ( Ra4 is better for Black) 25. Re1  
 Rf8 26. Kf1 Nd5 27. Nb1 a5 28. Ke2 b4 29  
 Kd2 Kf8 30. f4 Ke7 (Black has opposition and  
 the game at this point is won for Black) 31.  
 Rf3 bxc3+ 32. Nxc3 Nxc3 33. Rfxc3 Rxc3 34  
 Rxc3 Rxc3 35. Kxc3 Kd6 36. Kc4 Kc6 (Black  
 easily wins)

So Dmitry wins the State Championship  
 - with it a beautiful trophy. This is an  
 event he will justifiably remember for  
 the rest of his life. Numerous people  
 told him he had no chance but obviously  
 the one person they didn't convince was  
 Dmitry. May he win many more.

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## FOCUS ON ROBERT USISKIN

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Usiskin examines a position from one of his memorable games.

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**Deadline for the November / December *SQUARE ONE* issue is September 20th.**

# New Trier's Board #1 - Robert Usiskin, State High School Individuals Champion

As we neared the deadline for this issue and submissions began to hit my desk, it was interesting that two different sources submitted material on what turned out to be the same story. Ken Lewandowski (Evanston HS Coach) and Brad Goral (New Trier HS Coach) independently mailed an article on the subject of Robert Usiskin. The picture painted by both gentlemen was nearly identical, so it was agreed that the article submitted by Mr. Goral be printed.

I talked with Mr. Goral and asked that he encourage Rob Usiskin to submit information on himself and the Illinois State High School Individual Tournament organized by Don Deakin. Within a couple days, Usiskin delivered.

I had mixed feelings about the material received from Usiskin. On one hand, I was disappointed that he chose not to talk about himself. He did not explain the "how and why" of his success. Usiskin could have boasted of being more than an excellent chess player by talking about his scholastic excellence and noting things such as being an accomplished pianist — but he didn't. He prefaced his submission by saying, "I tried to include, in addition to the actual annotated moves, a little background on the State High School Individual Tournament (from which both games are taken). I didn't include anything about my team, myself, and I only touched on my opponents." On the other hand, it was refreshing to see that Robert Usiskin, in spite of being a champion chess player, was quite humble — one who would not place the spotlight on himself, but would rather present his material in a way that would benefit the readers of *SQUARE ONE*.

## Usiskin Making a Move by Brad Goral - New Trier Chess Coach

Rob Usiskin, from New Trier High School in Winnetka, is the new Illinois Coaches Association State High School Individual Champion. His victories at the State Tournament last spring establish Rob as one of the up-and-coming players in Illinois high school chess. To win such a tournament certainly requires a player to be very good, but sometimes you have to be a little lucky as well; Rob was good enough to create a little bit of his own luck as he rallied from a material deficit in the championship round against Mark Robledo, another top scholastic player. To reach the championship round, Rob defeated the defending champion, Josh Klein of St. Rita High School.

Entering his senior year now, Rob has had several other notable games in scholastic chess, including a victory over Josh Riddell of Glenbrook North, now an expert, and a draw with Brian Gast of Glenbard West at last year's State High School Team Championship.

Known for his good sportsmanship, Rob has also provided authentic



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leadership for the chess team at New Trier. In addition to his successes as a player, he has also become an active chess coach with the Glencoe Park District for the last three summers, teaching chess to elementary and junior high school students in Glencoe.

## Robert Usiskin on the State High School Individual Tournament:

The following two games are taken from the State High School Individual Tournament. The top five rated high school players and the winner of the State Individual compete in a second tournament, the Denker Qualifier. The winner of that tournament represents Illinois in the Denker National High School Championship, which takes place during the U.S. Open. After winning the first two rounds, I found myself up against last year's State Individual Champion.

Last year, everyone had expected Miguel Santana (rated 1950 or so) to clean up at the State Individual. Though Klein was only rated 1400 something, he managed to beat Santana and win the tournament. I don't keep too much stock in ratings, but they are one way to judge who to be worried about. Anyway, besides Klein, there were two other people I was worried about. Bryan Gast, whose rating has shot up to 1950, was the highest-rated player at the tournament. The other person I was worried about, my fourth-round opponent, was Mark Robledo, Jr. I'd only seen him once or twice before, but I knew he was good. Since this tournament, his rating has gone up at least 100 points.

□ Robert Usiskin (1611) B32  
 ■ John Klein (1711)  
 State Individual - Rd 3 4/19/97  
 [R. Usiskin]

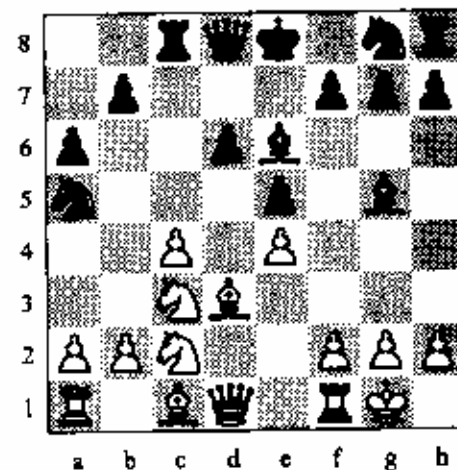
- 1. e4 c5
- 2. Nf3 Nc6
- 3. d4 cxd4
- 4. Nxd4 e5
- 5. Nb5 d6
- 6. c4 Be7

Ah, the Kalashnikov. [Ed: See also B32: Sicilian Defense (Labourdonnais Variation)] How could any opening with such an aggressive-sounding name be bad? For all you 1.d4 players out there, Black's plan in the Kalashnikov is to bring his "bad bishop" to e7 and then to g5. Once he trades this bishop off, he develops relatively freely. I'll take the white side of this opening any day, though; the way I see it, Black is taking three tempos to allow me to bring my rook to c1.

- 7. N1c3 a6
- 8. Na3 Be6
- 9. Bd3

White's other options are 9.Be2 and 9.Nc2. To quote *Beating the Sicilian 3*, "the only drawback of [9.Bd3] is that d6 is under less pressure, but it is quite rare for White to mount a serious attack against this pawn."

- 9... Rc8
- 10. O-O Bg5
- 11. Nc2 Na5?



The attack on the c-pawn seems sound, because after 12.b3 b5 the pawn is pinned. I knew that my first eleven moves were straight from the ubiquitous and omnipotent "book" line, so I thought for twenty minutes to find a refutation. Normal is 11...Bxc1.

12. Bxg5  
 The Nc2 will have to go to e3 to defend

the pawn and open the d1-a4 diagonal. Trading the bishops is therefore necessary, to prevent ...Bxe3.

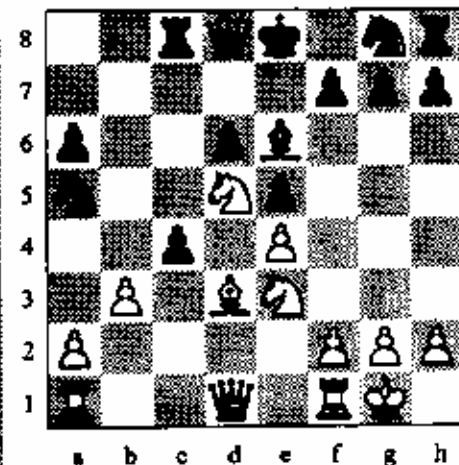
- 12... Qxg5
- 13. b3 b5
- 14. Ne3

Black cannot win the pawn now (14...bc 15.bc Nxc4 16.Nxc4 Bxc4 17.Qa4+), so he returns his queen to the queenside. 14...Ne7 seems better, so that both castling and a future ...Nxd5 are possible.

- 14... Qd8
- 15. Ncd5

Unpinning the knight. Now 16.cb is threatened.

- 15... bxc4



- 16. Bxc4!

I'm really proud of myself for finding this move. Yes, Black trades off his dim knight for a good bishop, but the White knights will cause more damage and disruption than the bishop ever could.

- 16... Nxc4
- 17. Nxc4±

What now, Black players? 17...Nf6 and 17...Ne7 both drop at least an exchange (17...Ne7 18.Nxd6+). 17...Bxd5 18.Qxd5 loses the d-pawn. I can't see a way for Black to escape materially unscathed. My opponent decided on...

- 17... Rc6
- 18. Nb4
- Could a bishop ever do that?
- 18... Rxc4!?
- 19. bxc4 Bxc4
- 20. Re1

A grandmaster would walk away from

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the board, mumble something about "technique", and then return to find a note from his opponent with the words "I resign" written on it. In scholastic chess, however, a resignation is almost as rare as a well-played endgame. Needless to say, my opponent decided to play on.

20... f5?!

It's a good thing his rook and knight are participating in the game.

21. Re1 Bb5

22. Nxa6 Bxa6

23. Qa4+ Kf7

24. Qxa6 Nf6

Finally his kingside pieces decide to show themselves. Better late than never, I suppose. Right about now I was telling myself over and over <<No counterplay-No counterplay-No counterplay>>. Positions like these always have a winning plan, and usually the first step is engineering a queen trade.

25. Qb7+ Ke6

26. exf5+ Kxf5

27. Re3 Qa8

Here he offers to trade, but I want to trade on my terms.

28. Qb1+ Ke6

29. Qb3+ Qd5

Well, if you insist.

30. a4 Qxb3

31. Rxb3 Ra8

32. Ra3?!

Egads, no! 32.Ra1 is much better.

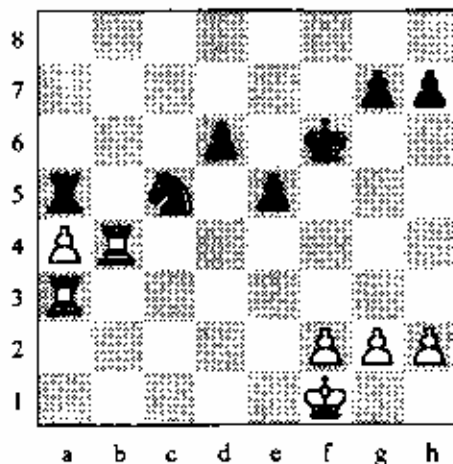
32... Ra5

33. Kf1 Ne4

34. Re7 Kf6

35. Rb7 Nc5

36. Rb4



My plan here was to bring my king over to the queenside, and either penetrate with his majesty or his majesty's favorite rook.

36... Ke6

37. Ke2 d5

38. f3 d4

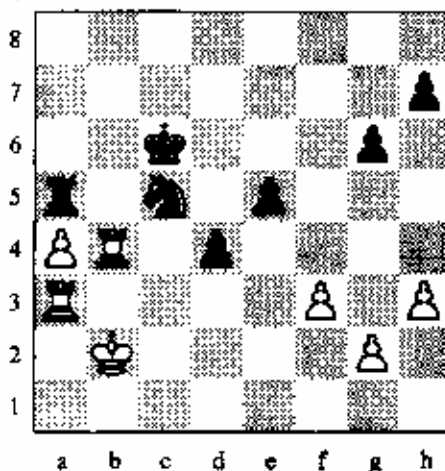
39. Kd2 Kd6

40. Kc2 Kc6

41. Kb2 g6

42. h3

1-0



Black resigns?! Even if I was Black and my opponent was a master, I would play it out. Regardless, my plan as White was to lock the kingside pawns. With the pawns immobile, Black is in zugzwang, and must give ground. A rook move lets the a-pawn advance. A knight move (or ...d3) allows White bring his king into the action. If the Black king moves to d6, then Rb6+ and Rb5 makes progress. Anywhere else the dark monarch moves, Rb5 will do.

□ Mark Robledo, Jr. (1694) B10

■ Robert Usiskin (1611)

State Individual - Rd 4 4/19/97

[R. Usiskin]

Robledo had managed to beat Gast in the third round, so going into the fourth round there were three people with perfect scores: Robledo, moi, and David Grawoig, who ended up losing to Gast in the final round.

1. e4 c6

2. d3 d5

3. Nd2 e5

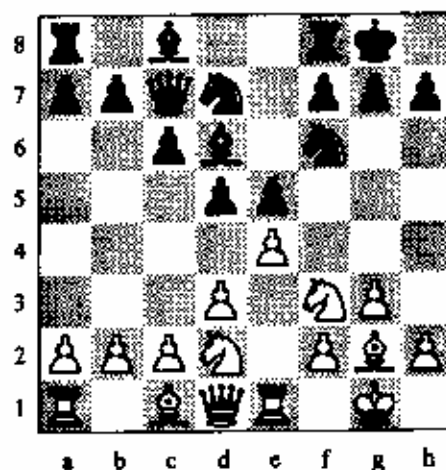
4. Ngf3 Bd6

5. g3 Nf6

6. Bg2 O-O

7. O-O Qc7

8. Re1 Nbd7



It is very hard to see a good plan for White. Development is even, Black's center is securely defended, and most importantly, the pawn structure is stable. With no targets and no pawn breaks, it is unclear how White should complete his development. I believe this position reflects the main problem behind the King's Indian Attack. White has put no pressure on Black, and as a result Black has developed freely and easily. In his wonderful book *The Caro-Kann! in Black & White*, Karpov asserts that this position is equal. I agree (surprised?). If you are a King's Indian devotee and you agree that White can do better, I propose an alternative. Go ahead with your setup against the Sicilian and French defenses, but if Black plays the Caro, I would be more aggressive. Take a good look at the position after the first 9 moves of the Advance Variation (1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.Nc3 e6 5.g4 Bg6 6.Nge2 c5 7.h4 h6 8.Be3 Qb6 9.f4!)

9. Nf1?! dxe4

10. dxe4 Nc5

Black highlights the weakness behind 9.Nf1. Now, White is in a jam. 9.h3 would have been better.

11. N3d2 Bg4

12. Bf3

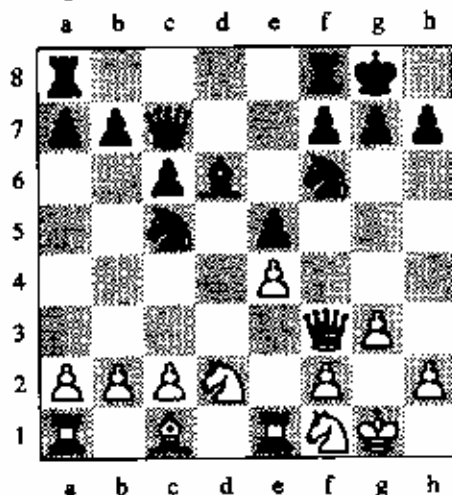
Black often has problems developing his light bishop in the King's Indian Caro. Now, Black has the pleasant choice of either 12...Bxf3 or 12...Be6. In retro-

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spect, 12...Be6 might have been better, though I'm not sure how Black can utilize his lead in development.

12... Bxf3

13. Qxf3



Black has a slight lead in development, good squares for his pieces, the initiative, and (I think) a slight edge.

13... Ne6

I knew my rooks belonged on the d-file, but I wasn't sure how to penetrate. This move provokes the d3-weakening c3. 13...Rfd8 can't be bad, though, and a5 is also possible.

14. c3 Bc5

15. Nb3

I expected the knight to jump to c4.

15... Rfd8!?

15...Bb6 is the obvious alternative, but I felt the bishop couldn't really contribute to the d3 penetration. 15...Nfd7 seems even better than the move played. After 16.Nxc5 Ndx5!?, an eventual Nd3 seems hard to prevent.

16. Nxc5 Nxc5

17. Bg5 Rd3!?

This move looks like it continues Black's plan (infiltrate on d3) with tempo. With the bishop on g5, though, Black can't bring his second rook to d8. The real kicker, however, is simply that the rook on d3 does nothing. I think Black's best is 17...Rd6. White loses a pawn if he plays Ne3 or Rad1, and a future Nd3 is threatened (if 17...Nd3 18.Bxf6 Nxe1 19.Qg4). Now my problems begin to coalesce.

18. Qf5 Ne8

19. Rad1 f6

20. Be3 Nd6

21. Qg4 Rxd1

22. Rxd1

It looks like I've won a pawn (at least it did back on move 18 when I aimed for this position). In reality, I've lost a piece! There's no way to meet the combined threats of Bxc5 and Qe6+ (22...Ncxe4 23.f3 and 22...Ndx4 23.Bxc5 Nxc5 24.Qc4+).

22... Ndx4

23. Bxc5 f5

24. Qe2

Keeping the check on c4 possible.

24... Qf7

25. Be3 f4

The beginning of a desperate, successful, and totally unsound attack on the white king.

26. Be1 Qf5

27. gxf4?

Why weaken the kingside? 27.Nd2 is much better.

27... exf4

28. Qf3 Rf8

29. Rd4 Ng5

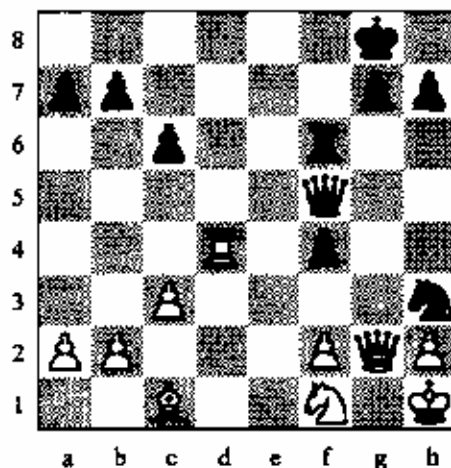
I find that the hardest part of scholastic chess is forcing myself to take my lower-rated opponents seriously, even when I'm winning. White's "any-move-will-do" mindset has given me a chance.

30. Qg2

White's other choices, 30.Qe2 and 30.Qd3, are met by 30...Nh3+.

30... Rf6

31. Kh1 Nh3



White must now give back the piece to prevent Rg6. My opponent thought for 25 minutes, and then played...

32. Bxf4 Nxf4

33. Qg3?

This move loses! The queen finds herself with virtually zero good squares. White gave back the piece, but Black still threatens mate along the h1-a8 diagonal. 33.Qf3 draws, I think. With the queen blocking the h1-a8 diagonal and quasi-pinning the knight on f3, White should be able to defend. Though the following few moves seem unforced, there aren't too many alternatives.

33... Ne2

34. Rd8+ Kf7

35. Qe3

35.Qg2 is met by 35...Rg6. Watch out, though: Qe8 is checkmate!

35... Re6

36. Ng3 Nxf3+

37. Qxf3

Ah. Finally a position where the win is not in doubt. I must be more talented than I look.

37... Qe4+

38. Kg1

Alas for White, 38.Qg2 loses to 38...Qb1+ 39.Qg1 Re1, and 38.f3 drops to 38...Qb1+ 39.Kg2 Rg6.

38... Rg6

39. Rd7+ Ke8

40. Rxf7 Rxf3+

41. Rxf3 Qh1+

42. Kg2 Qxh2

43. Re3+ Kd7

44. Rh3 Qxa2

45. Rxf7+ Kc8

46. Rg7 Qd5+

47. Kf1 Qh1+

48. Ke2 Qxh2

49. Rg8+ Kc7

50. Rg7+ Kb6

51. Rg3 Qh5+

52. Kd2 Qd5+

53. Kc2 Qa2+

white resigns

0-1

This game probably should have gone the other way, but such is life. It didn't matter too much anyway, because it turns out I had scheduled my SATs on the same day as the Denker Qualifier. Because I couldn't go, I think Robledo ended up going in my place. I do have an elegant "State Champion" plaque hanging in my room now, though. ♠

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# Front Page: Chess??

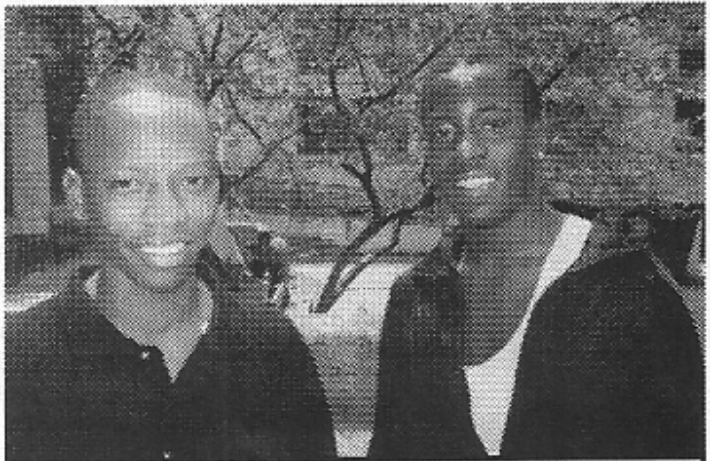
**W**hen was the last time you saw Chess featured prominently in the news? OK... you saw coverage on the cover of a major magazine featuring the world champion Garry Kasparov taking on the IBM machine. Along with that, you probably noted news accounts of this battle in your major newspaper. But you likely didn't see it on the front page of the *Chicago Tribune*.

Prior to the Deep Blue events, the last time I recall seeing the word "CHESS" on the front page of a major newspaper was 1972 when the Fisher - Spassky battle was taking place.

The point is — Chess is VERY rarely front page stuff. Thus, when I saw the front page of the August 1st *Chicago Tribune* lead with a story about chess coach Tom Larson, I got excited.

The most interesting part of the *Tribune* chess story related to Tom Larson's accomplishments as a coach at Orr High School, saying he had a "reputation for putting Orr on the map as a place where inner-city youth were excelling". The *Tribune* pointed out, "Under Larson's leadership, Orr chess teams have won many competitions and tied for first place in the 1996 U.S. Chess Federation Finals. They have been profiled in *The New York Times* and featured on CNN and National Public Radio." Even more exciting, was the news that Larson has been promoted to coordinate a new district-wide chess program for the Chicago Public Schools.

When I asked Tom Larson about his plans for implementing such a program in nearly 400 schools with 400,000 students, he said, "I plan to utilize the expertise that is already



**Larry Gills (left) and Maurice Edmonds. Each received a \$5000 secondary education scholarship from the David R. Macdonald Foundation. The scholarships were awarded to Larry and Maurice as a result of their "performance as a student chess player". Both players were members of Tom Larson's Orr High Chess Team.**

available, like coaches who are successful... for example Lester Goss from Jensen Elementary and those from other schools who have developed a good solid program. Then move on to developing chess clubs, before school, during lunch, and after school. Then work on training and developing teachers, instructors, and coaches for the local schools - with the emphasis on them being State and National competition oriented. And, I'm looking forward to the I.C.A. and the U.S.C.F. as a partnership to assist in what ever way is feasible. I know that there are already some in the I.C.A. who are already functioning successfully in neighborhoods through the library programs, the Park District, or churches - those are the resources I would like to call upon."

Tom Larson has a goal in mind for his program. He said, "I would like to see at least 20 schools in the State Elementary play-off (February 28 - March 1st) and to have at least 20 to 50 schools participating at the National K-12 (December 1998) in Oakbrook."

Tom has other goals as well. While he looks forward to the continued support of the David R. Macdonald Foundation and its \$10,000 annual scholarship for chess playing students at Orr High School, he plans on pursuing more of that sort of support for chess. Tom said, "One of the things I'm shooting for is, I want to get more public school chess students receiving scholarships from foundations and banks, etc."

It sounds like the Chicago Board of Education has made the right move. It will be interesting to follow the success of the new Chicago Public Schools Chess Program. E



**Coach Tom Larson (right) and Senior Master Richard Verber at a strategy planning session for the 1997-98 Chicago Schools Chess Program.**

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# Game Notes

from Bryan Gast



I played in the World Open in Philadelphia from July 2nd through the 6th this year. I was pleased to finish with 5 1/2 points out of 9, considering that I played up at least 60 points every round.

Here are 2 of my best efforts. Round 3 was a wild attacking game that got quite complicated. My 5th round game goes to show why you must always seek active counterplay.

I hope you enjoy the games!

- Thomas LaForge (1966) C24
- Bryan Gast (1892)
- World Open, Philadelphia 1997 (Rd 3)
- [B. Gast]

- 1. e4 e5
- 2. Bc4 Nf6
- 3. d3 c6
- 4. Nf3 d5
- 5. Bb3 Nbd7
- 6. exd5

Olafsson - Kurajica, Wijk aan Zee 1977 continued 6.o-o Bd6 7.Nc3 dxe4 8.Ng5 o-o 9.Ncxe4 Nc5 10.Nxd6 Qxd6 11.f4 Nxb3 =.

- 6... cxd5
- 7. O-O Bc5

7... Bd6 was safer. The move played in the game is sharp but risky

- 8. Nxe5 Nxe5
- 9. Re1

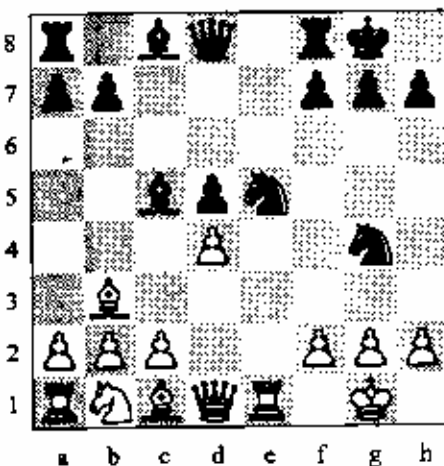
This weakening of f2 proves significant, although the position looks safe enough. Better was the immediate 9.d4, when Black can play 9... Bg4 10.f3 Qb6.

- 9... O-O

9... Nfg4 with the threat of 10... Qh4 virtually forces White to sacrifice the exchange with 10.Rxe5+ Nxe5 11.d4.

- 10. d4
- Not 10.Rxe5 Bxf2+ 11.Kxf2 Ng4+.

10... Nfg4!  
Threatening 11... Qh4. If 11.h3 Nxf2 12.Kxf2 Qh4+ 13.Kf1 Bxd4 yields Black a strong attack.



11. Be3  
This looks forced, as after 11. dxc5 or 11. dxe5, 11... Qh4 is strong.

11... Nxb2  
White cannot play 12.Kxh2 Qh4+ 13.Kg1 Bg4: a) 14.Qd2 Nf3+! 15.gxf3 Bxf3 and mates, or b) 14.f3 Nxf3+! 15.gxf3 Qg3+ 16.Kf1 (16. Kh1 Bxf3+) Bxf3 17.Qd2 Qh3+ 18.Kg1 Qh1+ 19.Kf2 Qg2#.

12. dxc5  
The best piece to capture is the e5-knight, viz. 12.dxc5 Bxe3 13.Rxe3 Ng4 14.Re2 Re8

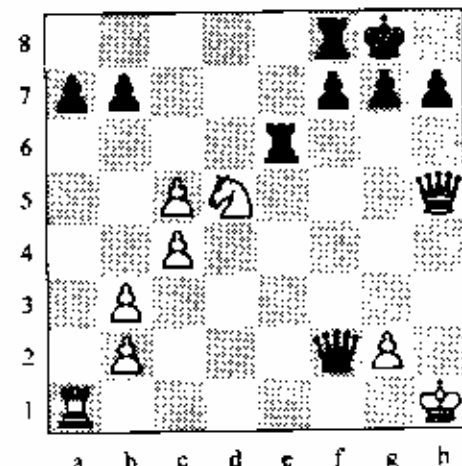
12... d4  
Better is 12... Bg4! 13.Qxd5 Nhf3+ 14.gxf3 Nxf3+ 15.Kf1 Qh4 16.Re1 Rad8 17.Qxb7 Qh1+ 18.Ke2 Nh2+ 19.f3 Qg2+ 20.Bf2 Rfe8+ and wins.

13. Kxh2  
13.Qxd4 Nhf3+!  
13... Qh4+  
14. Kg1 dxe3  
15. Rxe3  
If 15.fxe3 Ng4 16.Bd5 Qf2+ 17.Kh1

Nxe3 18.Rxe3 Qxc3.  
15... Ng4  
16. Rh3  
16.Rf3 Qh2+ 17.Kf1 Qh1+ 18.Ke2 Re8+ 19.Kd2 Qh6+ 20.Kc3 Be6 and the exposed White king is not healthy.  
16... Qxf2+  
17. Kh1 Ne3  
18. Rxe3 Qxc3  
19. Nc3 Be6  
19... Rae8 was more precise. The threat would be 20... Bxb3 21.axb3 Re6.  
20. Qh5 Bxb3  
21. axb3 Rae8  
22. Nd5 Qf2  
23. c4

The last try is 23.Ra4 Re1+ 24.Kh2 Qg1+ 25.Kg3 Rd1? 26.Ne7+ Kh8 27.Qxh7+ and mates. But in this line, Black has 23... Re2.

23... Re6  
With the idea of 24... Rh6 +.



24. White resigns  
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The next game comes from round 5 of the World Open.

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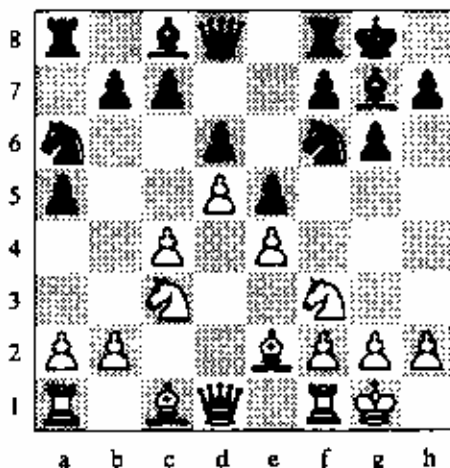
□ Anton del Rosario (1954) E92

■ Bryan Gast (1892)

World Open, Philadelphia 1997 (Rd 5)

[B. Gast]

- 1. d4 Nf6
- 2. c4 g6
- 3. Nc3 Bg7
- 4. e4 d6
- 5. Nf3 O-O
- 6. Be2 e5
- 7. d5 a5
- 8. O-O Na6



9. Be3  
Normal in this position is 9.Bg5 h6 10.Bh4 Qc8 11.Ne1 Bd7 12.Nd3 Nh7 13.f3 h5 14.Bf2 b6 15.a3 Nc5 =. For example, Polugaevskij - Cvitan, Sarajevo 1987 continued 16.Nxc5 bxc5 17.a4 Bh6 18.Nb5 Qd8 =.

9... Ng4  
10. Bg5 f6  
A better idea is 10 ... Qe8 with the idea of ... f5.

11. Bd2  
Essential is 11. Bh4 to hold up Black's ... f5 advance.

11... f5  
12. h3 Nf6  
Black has gotten in ... f5 practically for free. In the mean time, White has succeeded in creating a weakness on h3 and misplacing his bishop on d2.

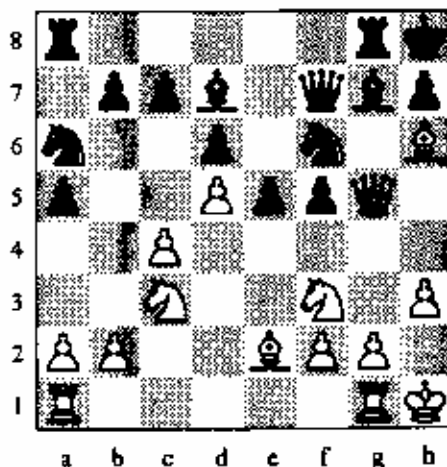
13. exf5 gxf5  
14. Bg5 Kh8  
Preparing ... Rg8 to seize the g-file and create threats against the White king.

- 15. Kh1 Qe8
- 16. Qd2 Bd7

17. Bh6  
This trade of dark-squared bishops is not to the first player's advantage. Black's bishop is shut in by pawns and has less of a future than White's.

17... Rg8  
18. Qg5 Qf7  
Meeting the threat of 19.Bxg7+ and clearing the way for the a8-rook to swing over to the kingside.

19. Rg1



This move makes no sense. The rook has no future here, and now f2 is weakened. A better idea is 19.b3 with the idea of a3 and b4 to gain space on the queenside (not 19 a3 at once because of Black's reply ...a4).

19... Nc5  
This knight is heading for the central square e4, where it will have more influence.

- 20. Raf1 Nfe4
- 21. Nxe4 Nxe4
- 22. Qe3 Bxb6

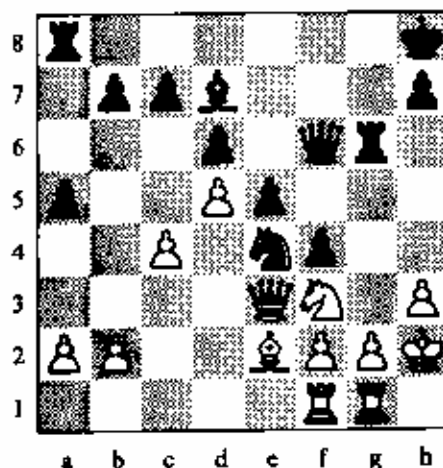
Now the rook enters active play with tempo.

23. Qxh6 Rg6  
24. Qe3 Qf6  
Not at once 24 ... f4 because of 25.Qxe4 Bf5 26.Nxe5. The text move makes the queen safe in this line and prepares an attacking maneuver with ... Rh6.

- 25. Kh2 f4

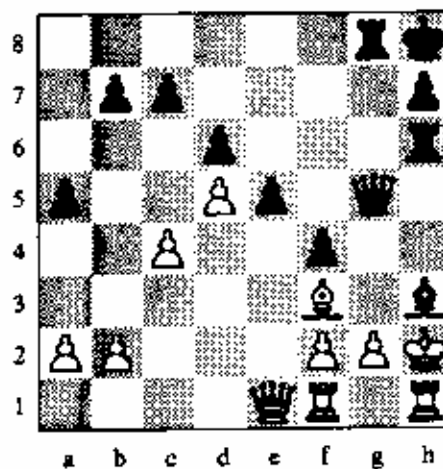
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- 26. Qc1
- 26.Qxe4? Bf5 +.
- 26... Rh6
- 27. Rh1 Rg8



28. Qe1 Ng5  
There are several ways to win here other than the continuation I chose: a) 28... Qf5 29.Kg1 Qg6 30.Rh2 Bxh3 31.Qxa5 Bxg2 + and b) 28 ... Rxg2+ 29.Kxg2 Qg7+ 30.Ng5 Qxg5+ 31.Bg4 (31.Kf3 Bxh3 32.Kxc4 Bf5+ 33.Kf3 Qg4#) Bxg4 32.Rfg1 Bxh3+ 33.Kh2 Bf1#.

- 29. Nxe5 Qxg5
- 30. Bf3 Bxh3



31. g3  
Not 31.gxh3 Rxh3+ 32.Kxh3 Qh6+ and mate next move.

- 31... Bxf1+
- 32. Kg1 Rxb1+
- 33. Kxh1 fsg3
- 34. Kg1 gxf2+
- 35. Kxf2 Qg1#
- 0-1

Brian Gast was one of six qualifying participants in the play-off for the 1997 Denker High School Championship - a National Tournament of State High School Champions. ♠



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# Four Masters to Teach at Sixth Annual Proviso West Chess Clinic Nov. 1st

By: George Marino

**T**he sixth annual Proviso West Chess Clinic will be held November 1, 1997, at Proviso West High School, 4701 W. Harrison, Hillside, Illinois 60162. It will feature four chess masters giving instruction, one playing a "teaching simul." It also includes a grade school tournament, a high school tournament, and a rated adult open. On the lighter side, there will be a 5-minute speed tournament, a Shogi (Japanese chess) tournament, and a three-dimensional chess tournament. The cost for all this is \$10.00 per person, but no more than \$50.00 per school.

The Clinic started in 1992, when Ken Lewandowski (from Evanston) conceived the idea of beginning the year by having a chess tournament early in the school year that included a program of instruction by chess masters. George Marino offered to host the event at Proviso West High School. The Illinois Chess Association generously offered financial support. That first year, masters Albert Chow, Tom Cooper, Richard Verber, and Alan Watson provided the instruction. Ken Lewandowski ran the tournaments. It was a huge success.

In 1995, The Illinois Chess Coaches Association started funding the clinic jointly with the Illinois Chess Association. The biggest reason for the success of the clinic has been the number of people that contribute to running it. And people who help run it get free entrance to the event, so this can be a great year-starter that is totally free.

Alan Watson, Marvin Dandridge, and Tom Cooper should be given credit for perfecting, if not inventing, the "Teaching Simul." One of the most popular features of the clinic is where the master walks from board to board, playing an unlimited number of participants. He not only plays, but comments on the game and offers suggestions about each individual game. This adapts the instruction to the particular needs and style of each player.

Other masters give workshops. In the morning, there

are three sessions of one hour each. During each hour, players choose which master session they would like to attend. Titles of past sessions include "How to Analyze a Position," "Ruy Lopez King Pawn Openings," "Endgames," "Pawn Structures," "Sicilian Defense," "The Botvinnik Training Method" and "The Fried Liver Attack." Last year's masters were Steve Szpisjak, Richard Verber, Alan Watson and present Illinois State Champion Albert Chow.

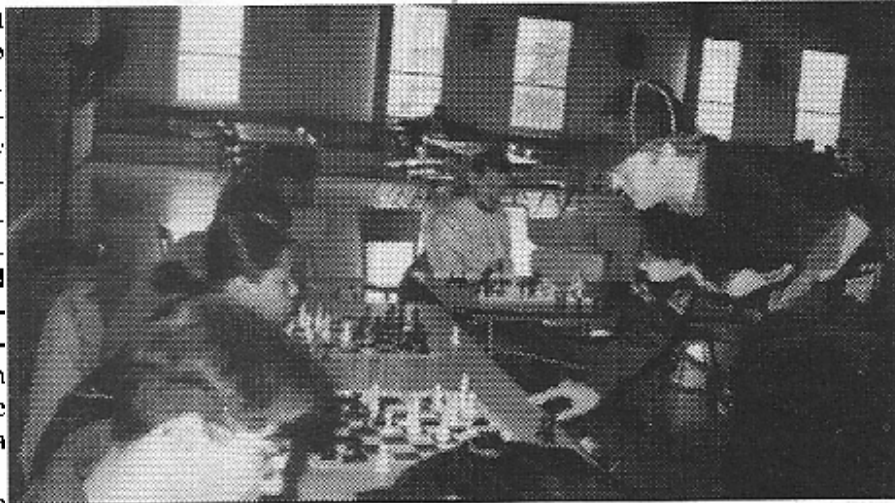
Afternoon is tournament time. The high school tournament is a game-30, 5-person team event - but the pairings are individually, and there are individual as well as team trophies. Last year Mike Mayfield and Chuck Hlavaty ran this event. It began on time and ended punctually at 6:00pm. Don Deakin ran a similar event for grade school. Mike Zacate ran the rated open for adults.

Some chess players are less serious than others. The clinic offers something for them also. Those that are not yet ready for detailed lectures on chess can play on the fast and furious clock banging game-5 tournament. No long waiting for pairings here. Players simply rotate around a large table and play the next player within minutes of the game before. It's fast and fun and hopefully

it will motivate youngsters who later will grow into more serious chess players.

This year's Proviso West Chess Clinic will be held November 1, 1997, at Proviso West High School in Hillside. It will include all of the events described plus a three-dimensional chess tournament (new this year.) The form of 3-D chess is "Pentaplane," and may include a computer entrant. Masters and topics for this year are presently being determined. For more information contact:

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NM Alan Watson conducting a "teaching simul" for students at the Proviso West Chess Clinic.

# Why Join Co-Chess?

by: Bonnie Cobia, John Summerhays, Joe Virbickis, and Tom Doan

**C**o-Chess is the new Illinois Scholastic Chess Coaches Association formed under the auspices of the Illinois Chess Association. Co-Chess is an organization of coaches and parents interested in supporting scholastic chess for players from kindergarten through the eighth grade.

Co-Chess has begun work in several aspects of scholastic chess. Our initial efforts have been to improve the format and organization of scholastic chess tournaments. Co-Chess will promote scholastic chess events and hold annual elementary and junior high championships. In the future, Co-Chess will develop and provide materials and/or sponsor chess lectures, exhibitions and programs to help with chess education for players and coaches, and with chess club formation. Other contributions will be made as needs are identified.

Co-Chess wishes to acknowledge Kevin Bachler for all his work and guidance in the formation of our organization. We are grateful to his dedicated efforts on our behalf.

Thanks very much to the St. Charles Chess club for voluntarily coming forward to make the first donation to Co-Chess. The Illinois Chess Association graciously provided a matching donation. We appreciate Ery Sedlock for identifying the need for our organization and the great support he has shown to Co-Chess.

The election of officers was held at the Evanston All-Grades tournament in January, 1997. Elected officers are:

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#### Appointed Positions

ICA Liaisons:  
Mike Leali  
Ery Sedlock

#### Position Available

The Executive Board is searching to appoint an education coordinator. As the education component is a key goal of Co-Chess, this will be an exciting volunteer position. With support from the Board, the coordinator will help organize new ideas to promote the chess education of children and coaches. Please contact an Executive Board member if you are interested.

#### WHY JOIN CO-CHESS?

Co-Chess is a community of parents, scholastic chess coaches, and interested chess enthusiasts who are seeking to enhance chess for children. Joining Co-Chess is the best way to contribute to and gain from the efforts of this community. Co-Chess members will have the best access to information about tournament schedules and procedures, and assistance for chess clubs. Members will be in the best position to influence decisions on chess competitions, and will have the best opportunity to contribute further to providing the best possible experience for chess playing children. By arrangement with the Illinois Chess Association (ICA), members dues jointly provide membership in Co-Chess and the ICA, with benefits such as the *Illinois Chess Bulletin*.

Check out one of the early benefits of Co-Chess: scholastic chess on the web! Look for tournament schedules and other information at:

<http://webusers.ancel-chi.com/~kbachler>

(SEE CO-CHESS APPLICATION ON NEXT PAGE)

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**HOW TO JOIN CO-CHESS**

Complete this application form and send a check for \$15 payable to the "Illinois Chess Association" or "ICA," and give it to a Co-Chess representative, or mail the form and check to:

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# 1997 Annual High School Coaches Association Meeting Oct. 14th

The Annual High School Chess Coaches Association Meeting is scheduled to be hosted by Mike Mayfield on Tuesday, October 14th. The meeting will run from 9:00 a.m. through 2:00 p.m. at Downers Grove South High School (63rd Street and Dunham Road in Downers Grove).

There will be a \$10 fee to those attending. The fee covers coffee, donuts and room expenses.

This year's agenda will cover the following subjects:  
**1997-98 School Year - High School Tournament Calendar**

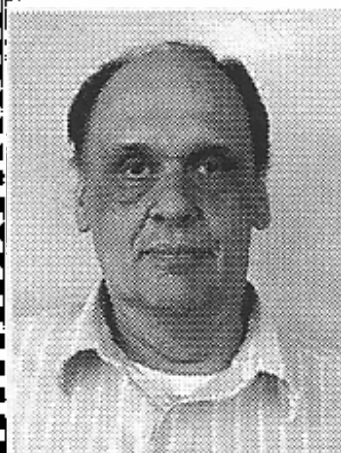
**IHSA Tournament Rules Changes for the 1997-98 School Year**

**Chess Coaches Teaching Clinic (to be held at Proviso West High School in Hillside - Saturday, November 1st)**

**Seminars for New Coaches: How to Organize Your School Club More Efficiently**

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For information and to make arrangements to attend, phone Mike Mayfield, Secretary / Treasurer of the Illinois High School Chess Coaches Association at (630) 852-7223 or Mike Zacate at (708) 479-9380.



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# *Illinois Scholastic Organizer Garrett Scott Elected to USCF Policy Board*

*By: SM Richard Verber*

**B**loomington - Normal chess organizer Garrett Scott has been elected to the United States Chess Federation Policy Board and will serve a three year term as a Policy Board Member.

The vote count announced at the USCF Delegates Meeting held at the U.S. Open in Orlando, Florida, showed Garrett Scott receiving about 50 votes more than his nearest rival, Gary Prince of New Jersey.

Garrett will replace retiring Policy Board Member Robert Ferguson on the Board. Garrett will join the Board which is presently composed of President Don Schultz (Florida), Vice-President Bill Goichberg (New York), Treasurer Tom Dorsch (California), Secretary Rachel Lieberman (Arizona), Board Member Fan Adams (New York), and Board Member James Faddé (California).

Garrett Scott was considered the front-runner for the position on the Policy Board, and had the support of almost every Illinois USCF Delegate and Voting Member. As a member of the USCF Policy Board, Garrett Scott will attend 4 Policy Board meetings per year, including the Annual Delegates Meeting as part of the U.S. Open Championship.

Garrett Scott has a distinguished record of service to the cause of Illinois chess — organizing both junior and adult USCF events in Bloomington - Normal over a period spanning more than 25 years. In recent years Garrett has brought quite a number of USCF National events to Bloomington - Normal, including the U.S. Junior Open Championship, the U.S. Junior Invitational, and the U.S. Women's Championship. In 1995 the USCF honored Garrett Scott for his many contributions to American chess by naming Bloomington - Normal "Chess City of the Year". Garrett is also currently Chairman of the important USCF Scholastic Chess Committee.

Congratulations to Garrett on his victory! Illinois is proud to have Garrett Scott representing us in the USCF. ♠

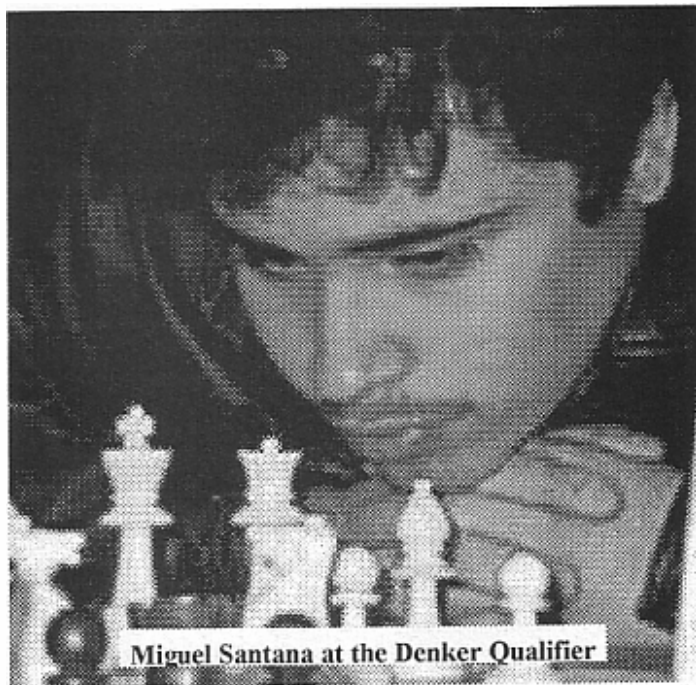
# **Miguel Santana Wins Deadlocked Play-Off Match with Justin Sadauskas — Santana to Represent Illinois at the Denker Tournament of State High School Champions!**

**O**n Saturday, June 8th at the Chicago Chess Club, Miguel Santana ended a series of 4 draws with Justin Sadauskas to break their tie for first place in the Illinois Denker Qualifier Tournament. Miguel thus earned the honor of, again, representing Illinois as our State High School Champion at the Denker Tournament held in August at the U.S. Open in Orlando, Florida. The Denker Tournament of State High School Champions will be played as a 5 round Swiss, with a time limit of 40 moves in 2 hours, followed by "sudden death" in 1 hour. Many of the strongest high school players in America will be competing.

We look forward to Miguel annotating his best games from the Denker Championship in a future issue of *SQUARE ONE*.

Good luck Miguel!

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Miguel Santana at the Denker Qualifier

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# Novices to National Champions!

by: Kevin Bachler

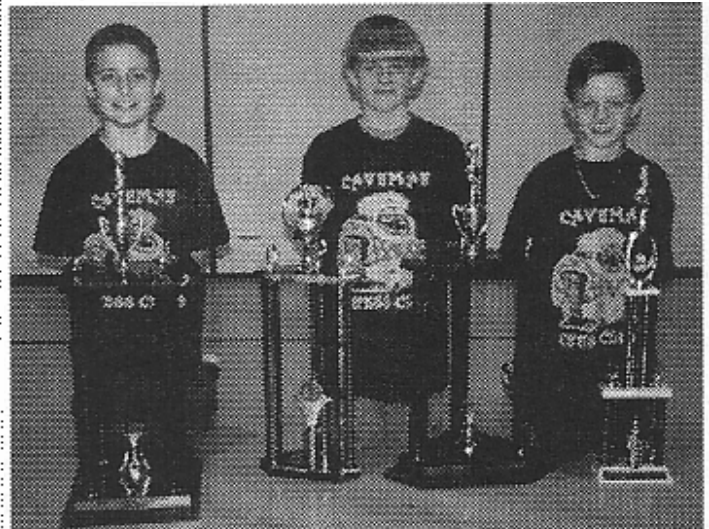
As reported in the last issue of the Illinois Chess Bulletin, the Franklin Elementary Cavemen of Park Ridge won the National K-5 Championship by scoring 20.5 points to finish a half point ahead of perennial winner Hunter College, and PS 116 of New York, each with 20. Dalton of New York took fourth with 19.5. 48 teams and 409 players competed in the section. Franklin thus completed a scholastic season that saw them take first place in ten consecutive tournaments including Nationals. This extended Franklin's "Streak" (see sidebar) to twenty consecutive tournaments excluding National competition. Franklin took the lead in the first round with a perfect score, and never held less than a share of the lead throughout the seven round tournament. (See table following the top four teams.) Daniel Leung led Franklin with 5.5 out of seven points. Daniel, nicknamed "Dan the Rock" returned to steady form after a sub-par performance at the State Championship two months earlier. Daniel finished 21st individually in the nation. Leung won his first four games, lost his fifth, and then won and drew in the last two rounds. Daniel has consistently been one of the leaders of the Franklin team throughout the past three seasons. Illinois 4th-5th grade champion Robert Riddle paced the Cavemen by winning his first five games, including a crucial 5th round game against New York State K-6 Champion Eric Seiden of Hunter College. This game turned out to be a critical game as it was the only face-to-face encounter between Hunter and Franklin - and fittingly between the top players of each team and the respective Illinois and New York State Champions. Riddle took this game with a fierce attack on the white side of a Sicilian Sozin/Fischer variation. Riddle finally lost in round six in a close game to the eventual tournament winner Adam Maltese of New York. He also succumbed in his final game while pushing for a win in a drawn position to try to ensure his team's first place finish. Riddle finished 35th overall.

Rounding out the scoring for the Cavemen were William Bielski and Robby Rasmussen, each with five points. Rasmussen finished 51st overall while Bielski took 52nd. Robby scored steadily throughout the tournament, while Bill pulled into five points in the final round, finishing a nice comeback after a tough state tournament. Other members of the team and their scores were Mark Rokita, 5 points, 61st overall. John-Garrett Piergalski, 4.5, 72nd. Ed Mueller, 4 points, 181st, and Daniel Widing, 4 points 182nd. 409 players participated in this section of the 4,309 player event.

Another interesting point about the tournament was the "Illinois vs New York" aspect. While there are strong scholastic teams in Indiana, Arizona, Minnesota, Carolina, and a few other places, clearly New York offers the strongest group of teams. Throughout the tournament it was Franklin versus New York, and in the final round, good fortune came with a bit of irony.

One of Illinois' top players, Andrew Hubbard, and a nemesis of the Franklin team, defeated a player from PS 116 of New York, allowing Franklin to take first. It turned out to be a group effort from Illinois in the end!

The Franklin Elementary Caveman Chess Club encourages players from other schools to practice with the team, and several of them did excellently individually in the tournament. Finishing in 4th place in the Kindergarten section was Jordan Cohen of Pritchett in Buffalo Grove with 5.5 points. Jordan lost to the tournament winner on board 1 in the final round. In the same section, Franklin Swindell III finished with 4 points to take 20th place.



**Robert Riddle, Michael McNally, and Daniel Leung, three Illinois State Champions.**

In the K-3 section, William Ferguson scored 6 points to take 10th place overall, and Illinois K-3 state champion Mike McNally scored 5 points to finish 24th. An interesting side note is that the Franklin Cavemen have had three state champions over the last three years: Daniel Leung tied for K-3 1st in 1995, while this year Mike McNally took first in K-3 and Robert Riddle took 1st in 4th-5th.

Following are a two games from Nationals.

### **Riddle, R (1400) - Seiden, E (1704) [B86]**

1997 National Elem. K-5 (5), 27.04.1997

[Riddle]

Perhaps the key game of the tournament, squaring off two state champions, the first boards for Franklin and Hunter, and top

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*(Continued from page J 13)*  
pupils of Kevin Bachler and Sunil Weermantry. No pressure! - Bachler

- 1.e4 c5
- 2.Nf3 e6
- 3.d4 cxd4
- 4.Nxd4 Nf6

Black attacks the e-pawn. We had studied the Pin Variation as a team before the tournament, and I knew that the "threat" of Bb4 was not to be feared.

- 5.Nc3 d6
- Transposing back.
- 6.Bc4 Be7
- 7.0-0 0-0

8.f4  
White attacks the center.

- 8... a6
- 9.e5 dxe5
- 10.fxe5

Opening the f-file for the Rook.

- 10... Nfd7
- 11.Bf4

Holding on to the important e-pawn

- 11... Nc6
- Weak. But the "normal" 11...Nc5 might not work here, since the Bishop hasn't retreated to b3. Maybe ...b5 is best.

- 12.Nxc6! bxc6
- 13.Qg4 Kh8

Black moves his King to retreat from the pin on the g7 pawn from White's Queen.

- 14.Rad1 Qc7

This gets out of the pin and pressures e5. Maybe 14.Rac1 would have been better.

- 15.Rde1 Nb6
- 16.Bd3!

There is no longer any reason to retreat to the normal square, b3.

- 16... Re8
- 17.Rf3

I was planning the Rook lift to double up on g7. Black defends this, but there is a second threat.

- 17... Bf8
- 18.Bxh7?!
- Black can no longer defend. The Bishop sacrifice rips open Black's position.

- 18... Kxh7
- 19.Rh3+ Kg8
- 20.Qh5 Be5+
- 21.Kh1 Kf8

Like a mobile quarterback. Black tries to roll out of the pocket.

- 22.Bg5!
- Keeping him in the box.

- 22... f6
- 23.exf6 Re7
- Black's only chance for redemption.

- 24.fxe7+
- I realized over the next several moves that there might be other wins, but I knew this was a key game and wanted a sure route.

- 24... Bxe7
- 25.Bxe7+ Kxe7
- 26.Rf3 Bd7
- 27.Rf7+ Kd8

- 28.Qh8+
- Ouch! Game over!

- 28... Be8
- 29.Rxc7 Kxc7
- 30.Rxe6 Rd8

Because of the importance of the game, Sciden played on. It's over, though the mop-up operation was nice.

- 31.Qxg7+ Ke8
- 32.h3

Rule #1 - Don't do anything stupid.

- 32... Nd7
- 33.Rxc6+ Kh7
- 34.Rd6 Kc7
- 35.Rxa6 Kh7
- 36.Re6 Kc7
- 37.Nb5+ Kh7
- 38.Rxe8 Rxe8
- 39.Qxd7+ Kb6
- 40.Qxe8 Kc5
- 41.h4 Kb6
- 42.h5 Ka5
- 43.h6 Kb6
- 44.h7 Ka5
- 45.h8Q Kb6

- 46.Qc3 Kb7
- 47.Nd6+ Kb6
- 48.Qb5+ Ka7
- 49.Qa3#
- 1-0

Lamb, G (1016)  
- Rasmussen, R (1233)

[B95]  
1997 National Elem. K-5  
Knoxville, TN (7), 12.06.1997  
*[Rasmussen]*

- 1.e4 e5
- 2.Nf3 d6
- 3.Nc3 Nf6
- 4.d4 cxd4
- 5.Nxd4 a6
- 6.Bg5 e6
- 7.Bxf6 Qxf6

This was a careless trade on her part: giving me the two bishops.

- 8.Nf3 Nc6
- 9.Bd3 Qd8

I wanted my queen on the queen side so I could create pressure on c3.

- 10.0-0 Be7
- 11.Re1 Qc7
- 12.Qe2 Bd7
- 13.Rad1 b5
- 14.a3 Bf6

Putting pressure on c3

- 15.h3 Rc8

Putting even more pressure on the dark squares and c3.

- 16.Qd2 0-0
- 17.a4 Na7

I didn't trade because that would leave an isolated pawn on a6

- 18.axb5 axb5
- 19.Rb1 Bxc3
- 20.Qxc3 Qxc3
- 21.bxc3 Rxc3
- 22.e5 d5
- 23.Ra1 Nc8

I don't want to give up the b-pawn.

- 24.Ra8 Bc6
- 25.Ra6 Bb7
- 26.Raa1 Rd8
- 27.Ree1 Bc6
- 28.Nd4 b4

- 29.Rab1 b3
- I had nothing else to do with the b-pawn.

- 30.Nxc6 Rxc6
- 31.cxb3 Rxc1+
- 32.Rxe1 Ne7
- 33.b4 Rb8
- 34.Rb1? Nc6

Fortunately, she falls right into a mini-fork winning a pawn.

- 35.b5 Nxe5
- 36.Be2 h6
- 37.g3 Kh7
- 38.b6 Nd7

Her passed pawn has passed away.

- 39.b7 Nc5
- 40.f4 Rxb7
- 41.Rxb7 Nxb7

The Rook trade was bad because I'm up pawns, so it's pretty much over at this point.

- 42.Bd3+ g6
- 43.Kf2 Kg7
- 44.Ke3 Nc5
- 45.Bh5 Ne4
- 46.g4 Kf6

- 47.Bd3 Nc5
- 48.Bc2 e5
- 49.h4 d4+
- 50.Kf3 d3
- 51.Bd1 Ke6

- 52.Ke3 Kd5
- 53.Bf3+ e4
- 54.Bd1 f6
- 55.h5 gxh5
- 56.gxh5 f5

- 57.Kd2 Kd4
- 58.Ke1 Ke3
- 59.Kf1 Kxf4
- I like this endgame myself!

- 60.Kf2 e3+
- 61.Ke1 Ke4
- 62.Kf1 f4
- 63.Ke1 f3
- 64.Bxf3+ Kxf3
- 65.Kd1 Kf2
- 66.Ke1 e2
- 67.Kb2 e1Q
- 68.Ka3 Qc3+
- 69.Ka2 Na4
- 70.Kb1 Qb2#

0-1



<b>SQUARE ONE</b>
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# Tom Fineberg: Dean of Chicago High School Chess

I heard someone say that Tom Fineberg is the Dean of Chicago High School Chess. Since the statement didn't match the everyday conversations that surround chess, it kindled curiosity about the "Dean".

To begin with, I wanted to check out the word Dean and see how it could relate to a 74 year old retired Chicago Public School Teacher. "Dean" supposedly comes to our language from the Late Latin word *decanus*, meaning "chief of ten". Could that be the picture being painted if Mr. Fineberg?

As I began gathering information on Tom Fineberg, I noticed that he certainly isn't one dimensional. If Tom were required to wear hats with titles -- I figure he would have to invest in at least 3 hats.

## Tom Fineberg Hat #1 - Chess Coach

Tom Fineberg's primary teaching responsibilities were at Chicago Vocational High School located at 2100 E. 87th Street. He taught at Chicago Vocational from 1967 until 1983. From 1983 through his retirement in January of 1986, Tom taught at Harlan High School. Over the years, Tom has taught and coached many of Chicago's best chess players. Examples include Marvin Dandridge, now President of the Chicago Chess Club (2324). Dandridge played 1st Board for Chicago Vocational in 1972 and was on the CV team that won the City Title in 1975. Over the years CV, under the leadership of Fineberg, won the City Title twice... once in 1975 then in 1980.

Another well known Fineberg student was Darren Bolden, an expert and member of the winning 1980 CV team.

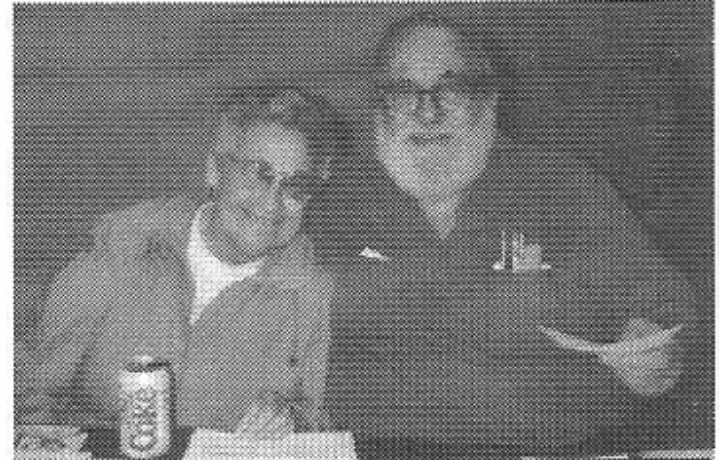
As Tom finished his last two years of teaching and coaching at Harlan High School, he had the opportunity to coach James Fagan, another well known Chicago expert.

A look back at the accomplishments of the man who wore this hat would lead you to feel proud of Tom Fineberg. But, Tom was more than just a coach and teacher.

## Tom Fineberg Hat #2 - Chief TD

Throughout the years as teacher and coach, Tom Fineberg wore the hat of a prominent tournament director. After 1980, Tom added Chief TD of all of the City Play-Offs. Tournaments that would determine the Chicago Public High School Team Champion for the year. Those play-offs typically were held at the Chicago Board of Education on Pershing Road. Under the leadership of Fineberg, however, this tournament has been moved to the Chicago Cultural Center.

Since his retirement in 1986, Tom Fineberg has been



Tom and Maxine Fineberg waiting for results at a Chicago High School City Play-Off.

the main person arranging the Chicago Public High School Championship Play-Offs.

The primary person responsible for high school chess is Tom Fineberg -- directing and working with the Board of Education setting all the details in motion. (Ah... I see where "Dean" comes from.)

## Tom Fineberg Hat #3 - Dedicated Volunteer

Tom Fineberg is no longer paid a salary by the Board of Education. Such is not unusual after retirement. Yet Tom still volunteers to teach chess to high school students in the Chicago area. On a given day, you may find Tom at Orr High School, Hirsch High, Chicago Agricultural High, or even Westinghouse High.

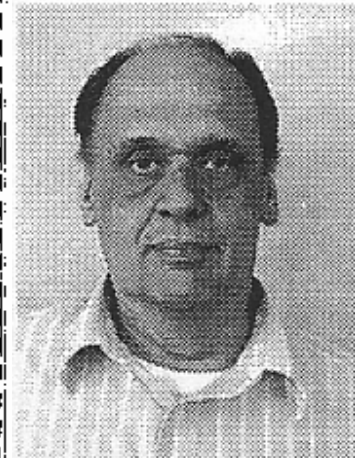
Tom has volunteered for USCF committees setting up guidelines for Quick and Speed Chess.

## ... just one more hat...

About one Saturday per month, you will still find Tom running chess events at Tuley Park Field House on the far south side of Chicago. Most events are 5 round action chess drawing 30 to 40 players with attractive prize funds. To find out more about these events, call Tom at (773) 721-3979.

I see Tom Fineberg as one who has devoted his time, talent and energy to the cause and development of junior chess in Chicago. I see him as one who is certainly worthy to be called "chief of ten". As for my hat? My hat goes off to the Dean of Chicago High School Chess! ♠

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Last month's issue of *SQUARE ONE* presented 4 basic endgame problems for you to consider. As promised, the solution to the problems follow:

**Problem 1 - white mates in 4**

1. Qd4+ Ke6 2. Rf6+ Ke7+ 3. Qd6+ Ke8 4. Rf8#

**Problem 2 - white mates in 2**

1. Qg3 Kh6 2. Qg6#

**Problem 3 - white mates in 2**

1. Rg5 Ke8 2. Rg8#

**Problem 4 - white mates in 3**

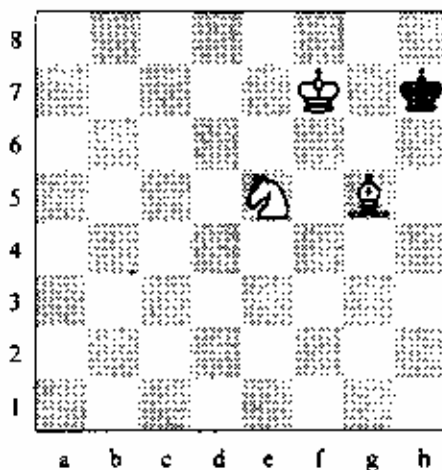
Here are 2 possibilities to consider - 1. Re5 Kd8 2. Rc5 Ke8 3. Rc8# OR 1. Ra2 Kf8 2. Rg2 Ke8 3. Rg8#

I did not receive any mail indicating how you solved last month's problems. I would guess that it was either because they were too easy or too hard to figure out. I'll assume they were too easy and present something that may require a little more thought.

Should you find the solutions here... Write to me and let me know how you did with the problems. Generally, the first solutions received will be printed. If you have a little trouble finding the path that matches the number of moves specified in the problem, be patient... the solutions will follow in the next issue!

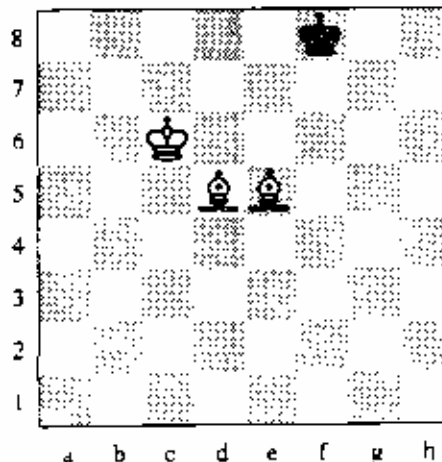
**White to mate in 3.**

For me, it is easier to mate with 2 rooks or a rook and a queen than with a bishop and knight. You can see that the next problem has left you with only 1 bishop and 1 knight to finish the game. Take a good look at the problem. Then mate Black in only 3 moves!



White to move and win.

Again, we see a problem with 2 minor pieces... 2 bishops. Depending upon Black's response to your moves, it will be possible to mate in either 5 moves or 7 moves. This can be tough, but well worth learning.



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# READERS' SHOWCASE

By NM Alan Watson

**You just lose your eyes for a second then ...**

Considering that he had recently taken up the Dutch Defense and was playing an opponent more than 850 points higher than himself, Scott was probably ready to take out life insurance on his king were it at all possible. The thought that he might be capable of drawing a player the stature of Albert Chow never crossed his mind. However, all it took to accomplish this impossible feat was a momentary lapse of concentration on the part of his opponent and a wicked spark of genius on his own. The final rook sacrifice is both forcing and pleasing.

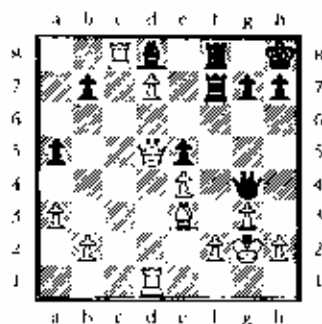
**W-Chow, Albert(2393)**

**B-Silverman, Scott(1533)**

Fox Valley Mini Tour (1), 1997  
[Alan Watson]

1.d4 f5 2.g3 e6 3.2g2 e6 4.e2f3 e7 5.0-0 6.e4 d6 [That the Classical Variation of the Dutch is seldom seen now-a-days is more a matter of fashion, I think, rather than a statement of its inherent soundness. At some point it will return.] 7.e3 a5 8.Je1 e4 9.2c2 e6? [The correct theoretical continuation is 9...2c6!? 10.2xc4 e6 11.2b1 fxe4 12.2xe4 e5 with a complicated game in which White is considered superior. This piece is misplaced on a6.] 10.a3 e5? [This speculative continuation is unjustified here and should have been replaced by 10...d5 or 10...2xc3 11.2xc3 e5 with a slight positional inferiority in either case.] 11.2xe4 fxe4 12.2xe4 exd4 13.2xd4 e5 14.2c2 e5 15.2b3 e5 16.e4? [Rather than entombing my own bishop, I would have preferred 16.2d1 so as to retain play along the e4-e8 diagonal.] 16...2xh3 17.2xh3 e6? [17...2e6] 18.2e3 e6 19.2ac1 e7 20.2d3 e6? [As White's light-squared bishop has little activity and serves no important defensive function, this offer to exchange should have been avoided. A general rule of exchanges states that such trades only benefit the side with the weaker piece.] 21.2e1 e7 22.2xg2 e7 23.e5 f6? [23...f6 had to be played to avoid dropping a pawn. With a 2 pawn advantage and powerful passer, White is clearly winning yet not excused from the obligation to exercise reasonable care!]

24.exd6 e8 25.fid5 g4 26.f7 e8 27.2c8??



27...2x12+!! [With this shot, Scott gleefully secures a draw and in doing so atones for all his earlier misplays!] 28.2xf2 e7+ 1/2-1/2

## Take my rook, PLEASE!

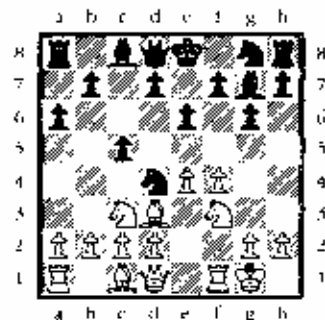
The recent match between Fox Valley/Naperville and St. Charles featured a game on the top board which Richard Verber later attested was one of the best he's played in a long time. Its sometimes very difficult to gauge the effect of an exchange sacrifice, but Verber is perhaps the most solid player in the Midwest and hardly hesitated. His dominant center and bishop pair didn't allow the slightest bit of counterplay.

**W-Splinter, J(2108)**

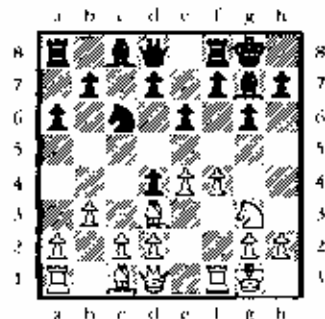
**B-Verber, R(2419)**

FVNCC Match 06.16, 1997  
[Alan Watson]

1.e4 e5 2.f4 g6 3.2f3 e7 4.2c3 e6 5.2b5 [5.2b5 is regarded as a much more positional approach to the Grand Prix Attack than the common 5.2c4. If allowed, White will continue 6.2xe6 and then play against his opponent's doubled pawns.] 5...2d4 6.0-0? [White indicates a desire to develop as rapidly as possible, even at the expense of the two bishops. Although 6...2xb5 is now occasionally played, Richard reasons that the light-squared bishop is awkwardly placed and so gains time himself by harassing it.] 6...a6 7.2d3 [Another alternative is 7.2e2] 7...e6 [diagram] [7...2f6 is much more common, with play somewhat similar to the game.] 8.2xd4 [8.e5!? (Seeking to avoid giving his opponent a cramping pawn on d4.) 8...2xf3+ [8...f5 9.b3 d6 10.exd6 b5 11.2b2 2xd6 12.2xd4 2xd4+ 13.2h1 2b7 14.2c2 e7 15.2ac1 2f6 16.a4 b5 17.2xb5 b4 18.2xb6 2b5 19.2xa4 2g3+ 20.2xg3 h7g3 21.2xd4 2h2? 22.2g1 2xd4+ 0-1 Arkell, Susan-Sziva, Erika/Manila (8) 1992]



9.2xf3 d5 10.exd6 2xd6 11.b3 e6 12.2b2 0-0 13.a4 e7 14.a5 e6 15.2h3 f6 16.2h4 e6 17.2g4 e4+ 18.2h1 f5 19.2h4 e6 20.2f2 1/2-1/2 Perez Garcia, H-Valens, V/Enschede ch-NLD sf (4) 1995] 8...exd4 9.2e2 e7 10.2g3 [10.b3 d6 11.2a3 0-0 12.2c1 b5 13.2f2 e5 14.f5 f6 15.c3 dxc3 16.dxc3 gxf5 17.exf5 d5 18.2fd1 e7 19.2g3 e6 20.2c2 e7 21.2e4 2c7 22.2c5 e6 23.2xb7 2xb7 24.2d3 2g8 25.2ad1 2f7 26.2xc7 2xg2+ 27.2xg2 2xg2- 28.2xg2 d4+ 29.2f3 2xe7 30.2xd4 exd4 31.2xd4 2e2+ 32.2f2 2e5 33.2e4 e5 34.2f2 e4 Reinderman, Dimitri-Perez Garcia, Herbert/Enschede (3) 1993/1/2-1/2 (45)] 10...2c6 [10...0-0 11.f5 2c6 12.2c2 d5 13.exd5 2ad5 14.f6 e8 15.d3 e5 16.2c1 e8 17.2e4 e6 18.2h4 e8 19.2g5 2xf6 20.2xh7- e7 21.2e4 e7 22.2xg6 1-0 Safirnska, A-Andreakos, V/Katerini 1992] 11.h3 0-0?



[White's plan involves delaying f4-f5 in order to retain the possibility of e4-e5 strengthening his hold on the dark squares. What he fails to consider, however, is his tenuous grip on the center and poor development which Richard cleverly exploits with an intuitive exchange sacrifice.] 12.2a3 d6 13.e5 dxe5! 14.2xf7 2xf7 15.fxe5 2xe5? [For his minor investment, Black has received a number of advantages including a) Bishop pair, b) Preponderance of center pawns, c) Absolute control of the dark squares, and most importantly for Richard d) A safe king! In fact, a careful examination of the diagram above illustrates there is very little for White to do at all, the position is much better suited for agile minor pieces than White's clumsy rooks bereft of open files.] 16.2e4 f5 17.2c2 e8 18.2c2 e8 19.2c1 b6 20.e3 [White must secure fully open

lines less his rooks die of asphyxiation?) 20...Qb7 21.Qc4 ♖d6 22.cxd4 ♘xc4 23.♗xc4 ♘xd4 24.Ec1? [Having gone to such pains to open the c file, then surely it is anti-positional to willingly hand over title to Black's lone rook and allow your own position to be infiltrated!? With no prospects for activity at the moment, stern defense via 24.♖h1 ♖d8 25.♗e2 ♔g7 26.Ec2 was called for when it would be up to Black to demonstrate that he knew how to win. As is, White helps his opponent along and so shortens the game considerably.] 24...e5 25.♖h1 Ec8 26.♗e2 Ec2 [Thank you very much!] 27.♗d3 ♘e4 28.Ec1 ♖a2 29.Ec8+ ♔g7 30.♗e1 Eb2 31.Ec8 b5 0-1

## The English according to Dzindzichashvili.

In a phone conversation one evening Curtis proudly proclaimed that he had won the following important game by utilizing a little-seen idea he had recently come across in a magazine. After conducting a bit of research myself, I can indeed state the idea has exceptional merit and claims the talented Roman Dzindzichashvili among his strongest supporters. White's victory in this game may almost be described as effortless!

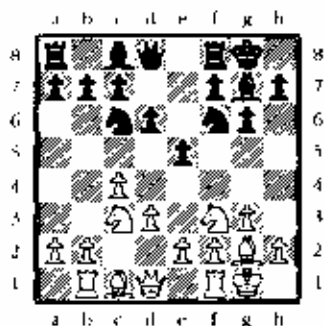
W-Ikeuchi,C(2047)

B-Szpisjak,S(2324)

CCC Plus Score 05/17, 1997

[Alan Watson]

1.g3 e5 2.♔g2 ♘f6 3.d3 g6 4.c4 ♔g7 5.♗c3 0-0 6.♗f3 ♘c6 7.0-0 d6 8.Eh1

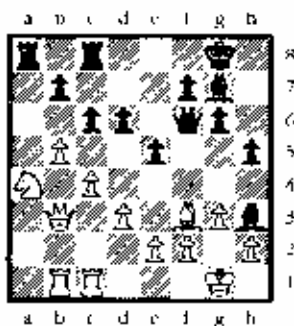


[This position of the Classical English has been seen countless times and is a great favorite of American Grandmaster Roman Dzindzichashvili. With 8.Eh1 White indicates his intention to begin a queenside initiative for the purpose of enhancing the power of his light-squared bishop.] 8...a5 9.a3 ♗d4!? [An interesting idea credited to Smyslov in the 1970's. 9...Ee8 10.♔g5 h6 11.♗xf6 ♗x6 12.b4 axb4 13.axb4 ♔g7 14.b5 ♘e7 15.♗e2 c6 16.♗d2 d5 17.bxc6

bxc6 18.Efc1 ♔g4 19.h3 ♘e6 20.♖a4 ♖b8 21.♗c5 ♖d6 22.♗xc6 ♗xc6 23.Eb3 ♗d6 24.Ec1 ♗b3 25.♗b3 ♖a8 26.cxd5 cxd5 27.e4 ♗d8 28.cxd5 ♗xd5 29.♗c4 ♗c5 1/2-1/2 Dzindzichashvili,R-bragimov.

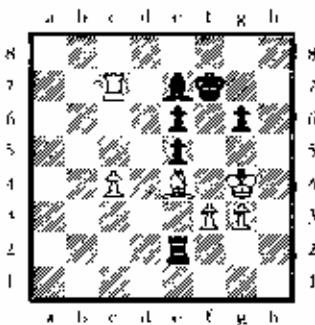
1/Philadelphia op1 (9) 1992] 10.♔g5!? [The straightforward 10.b4 is of course also possible, as are 10.♗xd4 and 10.♗d2, but here we will deal exclusively with the text continuation. White does not fear relinquishing the two bishops because the blocking of the f file (after ♗xf6) retards his opponent from playing f7-f5 and removes a piece often dangerous to his monarch.] 10...♗xf3+ [10...h6 11.♗xf6 ♗xf6 12.♗d2 ♔g7 13.e3 ♘c6 14.b4 axb4 15.axb4 c6 16.♗c2 f5 17.b5 ♗d7 18.♖a4 cxb5 19.cxb5 ♗a5 20.♗c3 e4 21.♗d5 ♗xb5 22.♗c4 ♗a4 23.♗c7+ ♔h7 24.♗e2 ♗c5 25.dxe4 ♗b5 26.♖xb5 ♗xb5 27.exf5 gxf5 28.♗c2 ♗a4 29.♗a4 ♖a4 30.♗xd6 ♖b4 31.♗exf5 ♘e5 32.f4 ♗xd6 33.♗xd6 ♗d8 34.♗xb7 ♗d2 35.♗a5 Ec2 36.♗c6 ♖bb2 37.♗e4! ♔h8 38.♗c5 ♘c5 39.♗f3 ♖xh2 40.♖c1 ♖he2 41.♖xc2 ♖xc2 42.♗f1 ♔g7 1/2-1/2 Dzindzichashvili,Roman

Sutovsky/Philadelphia W op 1991; 10...♗e6 11.♗d2 c6 12.b4 axb4 13.axb4 ♗d4 14.b5 ♔g4 15.bxc6 1/2-1/2 Dzindzichashvili, Roman Ivanov, AV/ Modesto ch-USA (1) 1995] 11.♗xf3 h6 12.♗xf6 ♗xf6 [12...♗xf6 13.b4 f3 ♗d5 ♔g7 14.b4 c6 15.♗c3 axb4 16.axb4 ♗h3 17.Ec1 f5 18.b5 ♖c8 19.bxc6 bxc6 20.♗c2 f4 21.♗g2 ♘c6 22.♖b6 ♗g3 23.♗g3 e4 24.dxc4 g5 25.e5 ♗e5 26.♗xc6 ♗f7 27.e3 ♖a8 28.♖h7 ♖xc6 29.♖xf7 ♗e7 30.f4 ♖xc4 31.♗d3 ♘c3 32.♗d2 ♔g7 33.♗xd6 ♖xc8 34.♗g5 ♗g5 35.♖f1 ♖c6 36.♖e7 ♘e4 37.♗d1 ♗b3 38.♗d8+ 1-0 Rian,Moubarak-Fairclough, Neil/Dubai (12) 1986] 13...axb4 14.axb4 c6 15.b5 ♖c7 16.♖b3 ♗h3 17.Efc1 ♖a5 18.bxc6 bxc6 19.♖b6 ♖c8 20.♗xc7 ♖xc7 21.♔g2 ♗xg2 22.♗xg2 ♔g7 23.h4 d5 24.cxd5 cxd5 25.♗d1 ♖xc1 26.Exc1 1/2-1/2 Dzindzichashvili, Roman Smyslov,Vasily/New York (8) 1989] 13.b4 axb4 14.axb4 c6 15.♖b3 ♗h3 16.Efc1 h5 17.b5! [While Black's artificial demonstration on the kingside has yet to bear fruit, that of his opponent is already generating sufficient threats to deter him from his course.] 17...Efc8 18.♖a4!



18...Ee7 19.♗b6 ♖a5 20.Ec2! [Another accurate move, excluding the dire consequences of 20.Ea1?? ♖a1 21.♖xa1

e4! 1] 20...♖d8 21.Ea2 ♖a2 22.♗a2 ♘e6 23.♗a5 h4? [A careless move costing a pawn and perhaps the game as well. What Steve failed to notice is that the following forced queen exchange will draw the Black rook from the e-file and with help from a little trickery allow the ♔g2 to fulfill his destiny of light square conquest!] 24.♖a8 ♖e8 25.♗xd8+ ♖xd8 26.bxc6! bxc6 [Much as he would like, Black cannot play 26...♖a8 27.cxb7 ♖b8 28.Ea1 e4 29.♖a8 exf3 30.♖xb8! ♔h7 when the b-pawn cannot be prevented from queening. However, the second player may take some solace from the fact that all remaining pawns are on one side of the board, and that judicial PAWN exchanges offer some hope of a draw.] 27.♗xc6 ♗xg3 28.♗xg3 d5 29.♗e7?! [For the first time this game, Curtis gets just a tad careless and allows an opposite colored bishop ending. Mind you, this is still won but does present undue chances to an opportunistic opponent. Best was 29.cxd5 ♗xd5 30.♗xd5 ♖xd5 31.♖b8-♔h7 32.♔g2 with an easy ride home.] 29...dxc4 30.♗xc6 ♖xc6 31.dxc4 ♖f8 32.♗e4 ♔g7 33.♖b7+ ♔f6 34.♖e7 ♖d4 35.f3 ♖d1+ 36.♔f2 ♖e1 37.♖e6 ♔f7 38.♔g2 ♖c3 39.♔h3 Ec3 40.♔g4?! [Was it not easier to accept the dare with 40.♗d3! e4 (what else?) 41.♖xe4 when Black is playing without a rook and must never allow something such as 41...♔g7! 42.Ec7! ♔f8 43.♖xg7! ♔xg7 44.♔f2 when the prisoner at e3 will soon be executed.] 40...♖xe2 41.Ec7+ ♘e7



42.♗xg6+ [Winning a pawn, but not yet assuring victory.] 42...♗xg6 43.♖xc7 ♔f6 44.♖c7 e4 45.♖xe4 ♖xe4+ 46.♔f3 ♗d4 47.c5 e5 48.Ec6+ ♔f5 49.♖c8 ♖d3+ [That White's pawns are separated by three files is a distinct advantage in this ending and outweigh Black's passed pawn which is easily blockaded.] 50.♔f2 ♘e6 51.c6 Ec3 52.g4 e4 53.g5 ♖e5 54.g6 ♖g5 55.♖d8 1-0

What do you think when you hear the term "Chess Article"? Is it always a game with some notes, thoughts, variations thrown in? Should not be. Articles can be human interest, interviews, humorous, just about anything would do. Give a try! And send it to M.L. Rantala for the ICB.

# 1997 MASTER CHALLENGE

By Irv Sedlock, game annotations by Alan Watson

Master Challenge 1997 was held on the hottest weekend of the year to date. Maybe it was the heat, or an upset virus, that caused so many large upsets. In every round there were multiple upsets by players rated 250 or more points below their opponent.

It started in round 1 with 6 of these shockers: Chuck Giertz (1772) beat Steve Szpisjak (2319), Blair Machaj (1738) beat Jim Marshall (2120), Aaron Chen (1448) beat Chris Baumgartner (1720), Tony Gasunas (1266) beat Joe Stevens (1600), William Ferguson (1166) beat Robert Riddle (1450), and Winston Huang (1150) beat Michael Cardinale (1440). Szpisjak and Marshall withdrew, and re-entered on Saturday morning.

## ROUND 1

○Szpisjak,S(2319)

●Giertz,C(1772)

[Alan Watson]

1.d4 e6 2.c4 e5 3.d5 h5 4.cxb5 a6 5.bxa6 g6 6.♗c3 ♖xa6 7.g3 [Continuations involving g3 in the Benko Gambit are reputedly solid but confer no advantage to the first player given best play.] 7...d6 8.♗h3 [White's intentions are clear; a future knight trek to f4 will make d5 more secure and aid in initiating a kingside attack with h4-h5. The downside, however, is that this piece is quite distant from the queenside and unable to lend support should Black's attack be the first to arrive.] 8...♗g7 9.♗f4 ♗h7 [9...0-0 10.h4 ♗b7 11.h5 ♗e5 12.hxg6 hxg6 13.♗d3 ♗xd3+ 14.exd3 e6 15.dxe6 ♗e8 16.♗h3 ♗e8 17.0-0 ♗xe6 18.♗xc6 ♗xc6 19.♗g5 ♗b6 20.b3 ♗b7 21.♗e1 ♗d7 22.a4 f5 23.♗b5 ♗e5 24.f3 ♗c6 25.♗e1 ♗ac8 26.♗xc6 ♗xc6 27.♗f4 ♗d4 28.♗xd4 ♗xd4+ 29.♗g2 ♗e7 30.♗f1 ♗h7 31.♗g2 ♗e7 32.♗f1 g5 33.♗d2 f4 34.gxf4 gxf4 35.♗xf4 ♗b4 0-1 Ludewig,D-Hanisch/Germany 1993] 10.h4 [10.♗c2 ♗a7 11.h4 h6 12.♗h3 ♗e5 13.♗c6 fxe6 14.f4 ♗d3 15.♗d1 ♗e4 16.fxe5 ♗xh1 17.exf6 exf6 18.♗xc6 f5 19.♗d3 ♗e5 20.♗d1 ♗a5 21.♗d2 ♗e7 22.a4 ♗b4 23.♗b5+ ♗xb5 24.axb5 ♗xc6 25.♗a8-♗e7 26.♗xh8 ♗xh8 27.dxe6 ♗e5 28.♗xh6 ♗xg3 29.♗g5+ ♗xc6 30.♗d2 ♗b7 31.♗d3 d5 0-1 Roncan, Jose - Alvarez, Roberto / corr LADAC Najdorf 1990] 10...b5 [10...h6 11.♗c2 ♗e5 12.♗g2 0-0 13.0-0 ♗b8 14.♗e4 ♗f7 15.♗b1 ♗a5 16.b3 ♗f8 17.♗d2 ♗c7 18.♗c3 ♗a8 19.♗f1 ♗a7 20.a4 ♗b8 21.♗h3 ♗f8 22.♗g2

♗cd7 23.♗xg7 ♗xg7 24.♗c3+ ♗g8 25.♗b1 ♗b4 26.♗d2 ♗ab8 27.e4 ♗e5 28.♗a1 ♗f7 29.a5 ♗g4 30.♗h3 ♗de5 31.♗xg4 ♗xg4 32.♗d3 ♗d4 33.♗c4 ♗b7 34.♗a3 ♗d7 35.f3 ♗e3 36.♗cb2 ♗h3 37.♗f2 f5 38.♗xc3 fxe4 39.♗xc5 dxc5 40.♗xc5 ♗db4 41.♗xc7 ♗xg3 42.♗c6-♗h8 43.♗f7 ½-½ Turcanu,I-Musso,D / corr Europe 1992] 11.♗c2 [11.♗h3 0-0 (11...♗a5 12.♗d2 ♗e5 13.♗c4 ♗b5 14.♗f6+ exf6 15.♗c3 0-0 16.0-0 f5 17.♗c2 ♗f8 18.h3 ♗a7 19.♗f1 ♗b7 20.♗a1 ♗e7 21.♗f1 ♗g4 22.♗xg7 ♗xg7 23.h4 cxb4 24.♗b4 ♗c8 25.♗h2+ ♗e5 26.e3 ♗xf1 27.♗f1 ♗c8 28.♗a1 ♗cb2 29.♗xb2 ♗f6 30.♗g2 ♗e5 31.♗a2 ♗f6 32.♗d2 ♗e4 33.♗c2 ♗a3 34.f3 0-1 Hobaica, Juan - Malbran, Guillermo / Buenos Aires Najdorf (10) 1994] 12.0-0 (12.f3 ♗e5 13.g4 hxg4 14.fxg4 ♗f6 15.h5 g5 16.♗g1 ♗h8 17.♗e6 ♗c6 18.dxc6 f5 19.♗xg5 ♗b6 20.♗c2 e4 21.0-0-0 ♗c3 22.♗xc3 ♗xc3+ 23.♗d2 ♗xd2+ 24.♗xd2 ♗h7 25.♗c2 ♗e6 26.♗f1 ♗a5 27.e4 fxe4 28.♗xg7-♗xg7 29.h6+ ♗xh6 30.♗f8 ♗d4 31.♗d1 ♗e5 32.♗c8 e3 33.♗f1 ♗xc6 34.♗c4 ♗d4 35.♗f8 e6 36.♗f4 ♗f5 37.♗xc6 e2+ 38.♗e1 ♗e3 39.♗a2 ♗a2+ 40.♗xc2 ♗d4+ 41.♗d3 ♗xc6 42.♗xc5 dxc5 43.♗e4 ♗e5+ 44.♗d5 ♗d3 45.h3 ♗g5 46.♗e4 1-0 Vladimirov-Bistrikova, Elena/ St Petersburg 1992] 12...♗e5 13.♗c2 ♗b6 14.b3 ♗f8 15.♗b1 ♗c8 16.♗xc8 ♗xc8 17.♗h2 ♗f7 18.♗a1 ♗a5 19.♗g2 ♗d7 20.a4 ♗ab8 21.♗b5 ♗xa1 22.♗xa1 e4 23.bxc4 ♗de5 24.♗b3 ♗xc4 25.f3 ♗b4 26.♗c3 ♗axb5 27.♗xa5 ♗xa5 28.fxg4 ♗xg4 29.♗f4 ♗b3 30.♗e4 ♗e5 31.e3 ♗b2 32.♗e1 ♗d2 33.♗b4 ♗dxd5 34.♗c2 ♗d2 35.♗d4 ♗d3 Lieb, Harald - Becker, Michael/ Germany 1990 ½ ½ (47); 11.♗g2 0-0 12.0-0 ♗b6 13.♗c2 ♗a7 14.b3 ♗a8 15.♗b2 ♗b8 16.♗f1 ♗bd7 17.♗e4 ♗c8 18.♗d2 ♗a6 19.♗c3 ♗g4 20.♗xg7 ♗xg7 21.♗e4 ♗de5 22.♗c3 ♗g8 23.♗d2 e.f6 24.a3 ♗b7 25.♗d5 ♗xc4 26.bxc4 ♗e8 27.e4 ♗g4 28.f3 ♗e5 29.♗d3 ♗xd3 30.♗a3 ♗ab7 31.♗f1 ♗b2 32.a4 ♗b1 33.♗c3 ♗h3 34.♗xb1 ♗xb1 35.♗e1 ♗xe1 36.♗xc1 ♗xf1 37.♗xf1 ♗xa4 38.♗e2 ½-½ Petrosian, Aishak - Leku, Peter - Lippstadt (2) 1993] 11...♗e5 [11...0-0 12.♗g2 ♗e5 13.0-0 ♗b8 14.♗b1 ♗c7 15.♗e4 ♗xc4 16.♗xc4 ♗b4 17.♗c2 ♗b6 18.b3 e4 19.♗d2 exb3 20.axb3 ♗c8 21.♗a2 ♗b5 22.♗h3 ♗a8 23.♗e3 ♗a8 24.♗c2 ♗c8 25.♗f1 ♗xh3 26.♗xh3 ♗ab8 27.f3 ♗xb3 28.♗xb3 ♗xb3 29.♗xb3 1-0 Podhragyay, Laszlo - Csuri, Laszlo/corr 1990] 12.♗h3 ♗c8 13.♗xc8 ♗xc8 14.♗d3 ♗xd3+ 15.♗xd3 0-0 16.e4 ♗d7 17.f3 ♗b8



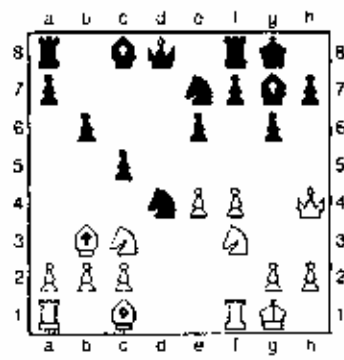
[White's opening must be regarded as a failure, for not only is he still uncastled, but his kingside weakened and his opponent is ready to pounce on the queenside.] 18.♗h2 ♗a7 19.♗g5 ♗d7 20.♗e3 [True that the e-pawn is poisoned, but not as you might think; Black really would like to play the following: 20.♗xc7? e4 21.♗f1 ♗xb2! with complete devastation!] 20...♗d4 21.♗e2 ♗e5 22.♗d1 e4?! [Black misses that the b-pawn could be taken immediately with 22...♗xb2! 23.♗b1 (23.♗xb2 ♗xb2+ 24.♗xb2 ♗d3+ -) 23...♗a3! threatening f3 as well, but it can't hurt to add additional threats as well!] 23.♗e3? [After this oversight in an unenviable position, Black's knight has the final say. Good game. Chuck!] 23...♗e3 24.♗xe3 ♗xe3+ 25.♗xc3 ♗xf3+ 0-1

○Oberweis,Julie

●Delay,Joe

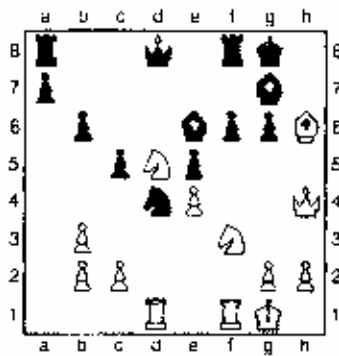
[Alan Watson]

1.e4 e5 2.♗c3 ♗c6 3.f4 e6 4.♗c4 g6 5.♗f3 ♗g7 6.d3 ♗e7 7.0-0 [Some sources imply that White's best course of action here is an immediate 6.f5, but such aggressiveness before castling and a healthy breakfast is hard to stomach!] 7...0-0 8.♗e1 d5 9.♗h3 dxe4?! [Gallagher recommends 9...♗a5 10.♗b4 ♗cc6! 11.♗f2 (11.♗xd8 ♗xd8 12.exd5 ♗xb3 13.axb3 cxd5 =+; 11...b6 12.♗d2 ♗d4 in his book "Beating the Anti Sicilians" and suggests that Black has good play.] 10.dxe4 b6 11.♗h4 ♗d4 1



2.f5! [White's pieces are lusting after greater activity, and this fine sacrifice is the key which opens the cage penning them in. The ♗b3 stands afar glaring down the a2-g8 diagonal, the square g5 is made available to White's pieces, and the ♗f1 gains a greater role on the f-file.] 12...♗cc6 [12...exf5 offers the first player excellent attacking prospects after 13.♗h6 followed by 14.♗g5.] 13.♗g5 [Black's next move is forced to prevent f5-f6, but further loosens his defensive shield.] 13...f6 14.fxg6! [An excellent Zwischenzug to assure the kingside pawns are breached.] 14...hxg6 15.♗h6 ♗xb3 16.axb3 ♗d4 17.♗a1 e5 18.♗d5 ♗c6





[18...♙xc2 19.♗g5! ♔d7 19...f7g5 20.♗g5 ♗x7f- 21.♗x7f and Black is powerless to prevent 22...♙c7+ 20.♗xg7! ♗xg7 20...f7g5 21.♗h8#) 21.♗x7f+! (Fini - the destruction of Black's castled position.) 21...♗x16 22.♗d8+ ♗f8 23.♗f8+ ♗x18 24.♗h7#) 19.♗e5! [This deft stroke assures the full cooperation of ALL Julie's pieces in the final attack. It is of particular notice that e7 will be made available for a knight check.] 19...♗xe5 [19...g5 20.♗h5 A) 20...♗xe5 21.♗g5 again threatening 22.♗e7+, a basic theme in White's attack.] B) 20...♗d5 21.♗xg7 ♗xg7 22.♗h6+ ♗h8 23.♗h6+ ♗g8 24.♗g6 ♗xe4 25.♗h8+ ♗f7 26.♗h7+ ♗e6 (26...♗e8 27.♗d6) 27.♗x18+ ♗e5 28.♗d7- ♗d5 29.♗f7+- C) 20...♗xh6 21.♗xh6 ♗xe5 22.♗f6+ ♗x16 23.♗x16 ♗f7 24.♗d7+-; 19...♗d5 20.♗xg6 ♗e6 21.♗x18 ♗x18 22.♗xg7 ♗xg7 23.♗xf6±) 20.♗e7+ ♗h7 21.♗e3+ [Checkmate follows 21...♗h6 22.♗xh6+] This imaginative game was well played and amply illustrates Julie's fine understanding of the variation.] 1-0

## ROUND 2

In round 2 Jim Marshall got revenge by beating #1 Enrico Sevillano (2589). Greg Witke (1466) beat Bill Butry (1859), and Michael Labraco (1420) beat Brian Wong (1798).

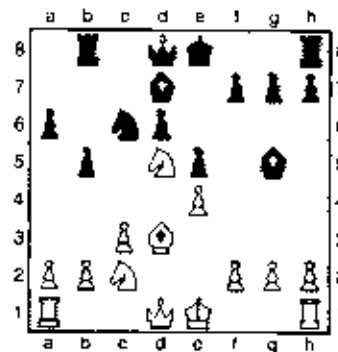
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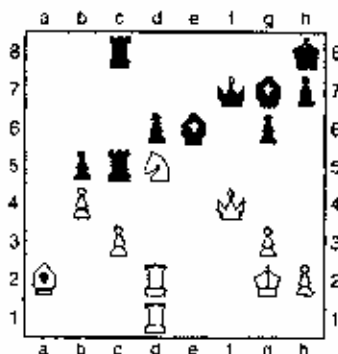
[Alan Watson]

1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗e6 3.d4 exd4 4.♗xd4 ♗f6 5.♗e3 e5 6.♗d5 d6 7.♗g5 a6 8.♗a3 b5 9.♗d5 ♗e7 10.♗x16 ♗xf6 11.e3 ♗h8 12.♗c2 ♗g5 13.♗d3 [13.a4 is more common so as to reserve e4 for this bishop's development after the subsequent 13...bxa4 (13...♗b8 14.axb5 axb5 leaves the b5 pawn weak.) 14.♗xa4 a5 15.♗c4 when play is balanced.] 13...♗d7? [Diagram] [We have often discussed Enrico's frequent employment of the Sveshnikov as his standard weapon against 1.e4, but even such common use is not sufficient to ensure that all variations are known equally well. Modern texts dismiss 13.♗d3 as ineffective, but only after the accurate 13...♗e6 after which White must allow Black to

play either 14...♗d5 preventing a frontal attack against the d pawn, or in the event of 14.♗c3 ♗xe3 allowing Black to exchange his "bad" bishop.]



14.0-0 0-0 15.♗e2 ♗h8 16.♗cb4 ♗xb4 17.♗xb4 a5 18.♗d5 ♗e6 19.♗e3 g6 20.♗ad1 ♗b6 21.♗e2 ♗e5 [Black loses a pawn after 21...♗xe3 22.♗xe3 ♗xe3 23.♗xe3 due to the weakness of f6 after 23...♗bd8 24.♗f6.] 22.♗d5 ♗d7 23.♗b1 ♗e6 24.a3 ♗c4 25.♗d3 ♗e6 26.♗c2 ♗f8 27.♗b3 [The game has reached a sort of dynamic equilibrium in which both sides would be advised to sit tight. Being much higher rated, however, Sevillano is compelled to take certain risks in the hope of unbalancing the game in his favor.] 27...♗e8 28.♗d3 ♗c5 29.g3 ♗d8 30.♗e3 f5 31.f4! [This courageous decision to dynamite the position wide open makes a lot of sense because White's pieces have greater space and are more active than their counterparts in the black camp. The only lurking danger which must be carefully observed is Black's bishop pair.] 31...♗be8 32.exf5 ♗xf5 33.♗fe1 ♗g4 34.♗d2 ♗f7 35.♗g2 ♗e6 36.♗ed1 ♗f6 37.♗a2 ♗g7 38.h4 axb4 39.axb4 exf4 40.♗xf4



40...♗xf4?? [The last move of time control proves disastrous for Enrico, and I can only surmise that he was in time trouble. 40...♗d5+ 41.♗xd5 ♗xf4 42.gxf4 ♗sc7 43.♗e6 ♗f8 secured the advantage for Black.] 41.♗xf4± [With both the ♗c5 and ♗e6 attacked, Black must lose at least the exchange.] 41...♗xe2 42.bxe5 ♗b3 43.exd6 ♗xe3 (43...♗xd1 44.d7 ♗d8 45.♗e6+-) 44.d7 ♗d8 45.♗e2 ♗f6 46.♗e8+ ♗g7 47.♗e6+ [Much simpler was 47.♗xd8 ♗xd8 48.♗c1 ♗f7 49.♗e8, but Jim's advantage is so great he can win however he chooses ... the passed pawn is unstoppable.] 47...♗xe6 48.♗xe6

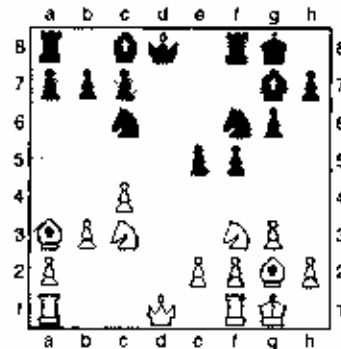
h4 49.♗dd6 ♗c3 50.♗e7+ ♗f8 51.♗de6 ♗f6 52.♗e8+ ♗f7 53.♗xf6+! 1-0

♫ Manion, Josh (2440)

♣ Splinter, Joe (2108)

[Alan Watson]

1.d4 f5 2.♗f3 g6 3.g3 ♗f6 4.♗g2 ♗g7 5.e4 0-0 6.0-0 d6 7.♗e3 ♗e6 8.b3 [One of the main difficulties for White in this opening lies in the correct positioning of his dark-squared bishop. Seldom comfortable along the c1-h6 diagonal, its purpose at b2 is to restrict Black's freeing e7-e5 and in some cases exchange its opposite number.] 8...e5!? 9.dxe5 dxe5 10.♗a3



10...♗xd1? [By immediately challenging his opponent in the center with 8...e5, Joe should have been aware that such a rapid opening of lines would demand an active and precise response from him. In the theoretical position which lies before us, tournament practice has confirmed that this loss of time is unacceptable and, in fact, there only two suitable replies. While most would prefer 10...♗e8 11.♗xd8 (11.♗c1, 11.e4, and 11.♗c2 have also been seen.) 11...♗xd8 12.♗ad1 ♗d7 13.♗d5 e4 with a slight advantage as in Incurto-Pelikan, Argentina 1959, the adventurous gamblers among us might opt for 10...e4! 11.♗x18 ♗xf8 12.♗d4 ♗xd4 13.♗xd4 ♗e6 with reasonable compensation for the exchange.] 11.♗xd1 ♗d8 [Black's replies are limited because of the weakness at e7 as seen in both a) 11...♗e8 12.♗b5 and b) 11...♗f7 12.♗g5 ♗d7 13.♗b5 +=] 12.♗xd8+ ♗xd8 13.♗xe5 ♗e4 [Black is down a full pawn now and cannot gain any compensation no matter how he wiggles.] 14.♗xc4 ♗xc4 15.♗d1 ♗f5 16.f4 ♗xe5? [The best practical chances were offered by 16...exf3 17.♗xf3 ♗xc3. Instead White is presented with a new advantage in the bishop pair.] 17.♗xe5 ♗e6 18.e6 ♗d8 19.e7 ♗e6 20.g4 ♗xg4 21.♗xe4 ♗e8 22.♗d5+ [22.♗xc6!? ♗ac6 23.♗f1 ♗g7 24.♗f8 ♗d7 25.♗c5 and White would now win by advancing his king's pawn to c6 ... an amusing finish.] 22...♗g7 23.♗f1 ♗xe2? 24.♗f8 1-0

## ROUND 3

In round 3 Jim Marshall got another big one, beating #3 Josh Manion (2440). Daniel Leung

(1366) beat Jim Oberweis (1947), and Carl Staples (1371) beat Bryan Gast (1892).

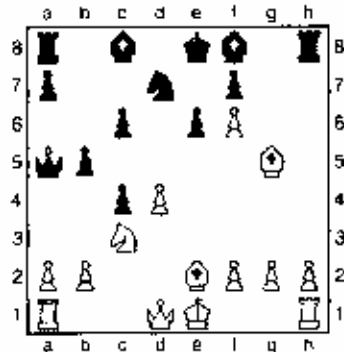
○) **Manion, Josh (2440)**

● **Marshall, James (2120)**

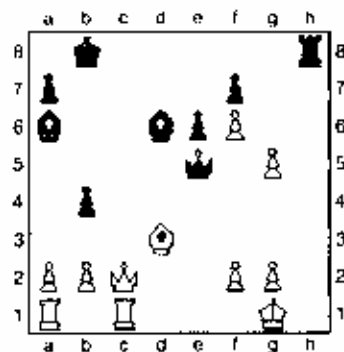
Master Challenge (3), 1997

[Alan Watson]

1.d4 d5 2.e4 e6 3.♘f3 ♘f6 4.♗c3 e6 5.♙g5 dxc4  
6.e4 h5 7.e5 h6 8.♗h4 g5 9.♗xg5 hxg5 10.♙xg5  
♗hd7 11.exf6 ♗a5 12.♙e2??



[This move which develops the remaining kingside piece appears logical in the present position but is actually quite weak according to Peter Wells. Normal instead is 12.g3 with transpositions to lines more commonly seen.] 12...b4 [12...♗b7 13.0-0 0-0-0 A] 14.♗c2 e5! 15.dxc5 ♗xc5 16.h4 ♗d8 17.♗e4 ♗c7 18.♗fd1 18.g3?? ♗xc4 19.♗e4 ♗xg3+ 18...♗xc4 19.♗xe4 ♗xg5 20.♗xd7 ♗xd7 21.♗d1+ ♗d5 22.♗xd5+ exd5 23.♗xd5+ ♗d6+ Levitt-Kaidanov, Hastings Challengers 1990; B) 14.♗c1 14...e5! 15.dxc5 ♗xc5 16.♗f4 ♗e5 17.♗xc5 ♗d6? 13.♗e4 ♗a6 14.0-0 0-0-0 15.♗c2 e5 16.dxc5 ♗xc5 17.♗e4 ♗h7 18.♗xc5 ♗c7 [It is this move and similar ideas pointed out in the notes to Black's 12th which demonstrate the true handicap to 12.♙e2 ... h2 is weak! Better to spend an extra tempo with 12.g3 then 13.♙g2 in order to position the light-squared bishop more effectively AND exclude in advance such attacks against h2.] 19.h4 ♗xc5 20.♗fe1 ♗b8 21.♗d3 ♗d5 22.♗e4 ♗xg5 23.hxg5 ♗h2+ 24.♗f1 ♗a6+ 25.♗d3 ♗e5 26.♗g1 ♗d6!



[A key move in the attack, threatening 27...♗h1+ 28.♗xh1 ♗h2+. Consequently, another and

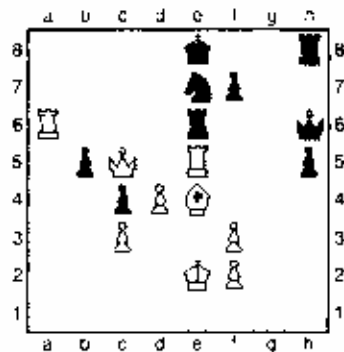
more severe weakness is forced.] 27.g3 ♗h7 28.♗h7 ♗d5 29.♗e4 [29.♗f1 ♗h1+ 30.♗c2 ♗h5+ 31.♗c1 ♗xh7? 29...♗xe4 30.♗xe4 ♗xe4 31.f4 ♗c7 32.♗c7 ♗xc7 33.♗c1+ ♗c6 34.♗f2 ♗h2+ 35.♗e3 ♗g2 36.♗d4 ♗xg3 37.♗e2 ♗f3 38.♗e5 ♗d3 39.g6 ♗d5+ 40.♗e4 ♗d1+ 41.♗e3 ♗e1+ 42.♗d2 ♗h1 0-1

○) **Sevillano, Enrico (2589)**

● **Stevens, Joseph**

[Alan Watson]

1.♗f3 ♗f6 2.e4 e6 3.d4 d5 4.♗c3 dxc4 5.e4!7 [As is well known, I favor the dynamic play of the little-seen Geller Gambit and am not hesitant in plowing down its main lines myself. Sevillano, however, shortly seems uncomfortable or unfamiliar with theory and sets out in an entirely original direction.] 5...b5 6.e5 ♗d5 7.a4 e6 8.axb5 ♗ac3 9.bxc3 cxb5 10.♗g5?! [Theory deems 10.♗g5 as more respectable so as to threaten kingside light squares maneuver this piece to e4 where it is most powerfully posted.] 10...♗e7 11.b4!? [Conventional wisdom holds that Kingside castling is an important element in the completion of White's development ... but nooo! Sevillano seizes the opportunity of lifting a rook to g3!] 11...b6 12.♗xe7 ♗xe7 13.♗b1 a6 14.♗b3 ♗h7 15.♗g3 ♗xf3? [This hasty exchange satisfies a momentary tactical urge to win the h-pawn, but like the junk food we gorge on when away from home during lunchtime fails to nourish the body of Black's position. The light-squared bishop is immensely valuable in the positions both for securing the Queenside as well as preventing d4 d5. Its presence will be sorely missed in the next stage of the game. Better was 15...♗f8.] 16.gxf3 ♗xh4 17.♗xg7 ♗f4 18.♗e2 h5 19.♗h3 ♗d7 [White's rook stands well-placed on g7 and should have been nudged away either now or on previous moves with 19...♗f8.] 20.♗xe6 ♗xe5! [Necessary, but ultimately insufficient against best play. Black's position collapses rapidly after 20...fxc6 21.♗g6! ♗d8 22.♗xe6 ♗a7 23.♗a6! when Joe would feel another pain in his chest for having mistreated his light-squared bishop.] 21.♗d5! ♗d8 22.♗e4?! [22.♗e4 was better in order to maintain the attack on f7 after the forced 22...♗xe4 23.fxe4, but Sevillano prefers instead to maintain attacking chances. Although both kings are without shelter on the e-file, White's active pieces dictate the game's course and actually render his own relatively safe.] 22...♗f6 23.♗g1 ♗c6 24.♗c1 ♗e6 25.♗g5 ♗e7 26.♗e5 ♗h6? [The failure of Black's pieces to coordinate their efforts spells doom to the second player. Only by staying in contact with the ♗e7 by 26...♗f6 followed by perhaps 27.♗a3 ♗h6! could he begin to develop his sleeping pieces and maintain balanced play.] 27.♗a3 ♗d6 28.♗c5 ♗e6 29.♗xa6



[The game position is a perfect example of two separate tactical elements called (1) overworked piece and (2) cross-pin. The ♗e6 would dearly love to capture the insolent ♗a6 but is unable because of obligations involving the defense of e7; thus he is overworked. The term cross pin refers to fact that both ♗xa6 and ♗xe5 are highly undesirable for tactical reasons; thereby the ♗e6 is "pinned" to its present position and unable to move. If the rook were pinned against the king and it was physically impossible to move it, such a pin would be called "Absolute." Since the rook is capable of moving, both current pins are instead called "Relative." 29...♗xe5 [29...♗f8 30.♗a8+ ♗g7 31.♗xh8 ♗xh8 31...♗xh8 32.♗xb5+ 32.♗xe6 fxe6 33.♗xc7+-] 30.♗a8+ ♗d7 31.♗a7+ ♗e6 32.♗b6+ ♗d7 33.♗a7+ ♗e8 34.♗h9+ 1-0

## ROUND 4

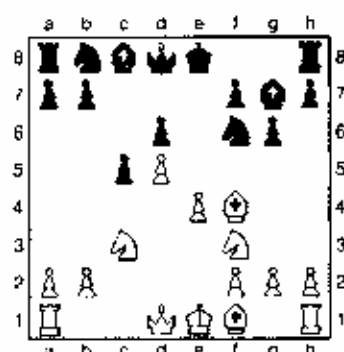
In round 4 Mariano Acosta (2200) beat #5 Chuck Kramer (2325) to become the only 4 in the tournament. Matt Thomas (1355) beat Rob Usiskin (1667), and Winston Huang scored again, beating David Sacks (1647)

○) **Baumgartner, Chris (1720)**

● **Sax, Rob (2068)**

[Alan Watson]

1.d4 ♗f6 2.e4 e5 3.d5 e6 4.♗c3 exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.♗f3 g6 7.e4 ♗g7 8.♗f4??



[Chris' move is based on the erroneous assumption that his attack against d6 will

ultimately gain time by restricting the development of Black's ♖b8. In fact, just the opposite is true, and the delay in castling proves quite damaging. The common development 8.♗c2 followed by 9.0-0 was prescribed.] 8...0-0 9.♗e2 a6 10.a4 ♖e8 11.♗c2 (And here the best plan was 11.♗d2 excluding Black's next move and reserving development of the queen until her most effective post is apparent. White's moves in this opening appear reasonable, but upon closer inspection show little evidence of comprising a larger plan.) 11...♗g4 12.b3?! [If White truly suspected that Rob intended to play ♗xf3, then surely there was no need of forcing it at the expense of one tempo, especially given his uncastled state.] 12...♗x3 13.♗xf3 ♗xe4 14.♗xe4 [14.♗xc4! f5 15.0-0 ♗xc3 16.♗xf5] 14...f5 15.0-0 ♗xe4 16.♗xe4 ♗f6 17.♗g3 [17.♗c1 ♗d7 18.♗a3=] 17...♗xb2 18.♗ab1 ♗xc2 19.♗xc2± [As White's two bishops appear to offer the first player a nagging edge in the middlegame which follows, Rob decided to call it a day and offer the draw which White gladly accepted given their rating differences.] ½-½

○Szpisjak, Steven (2319)

●Bachler, Kevin (2142)

[Alan Watson]

1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 g6 3.♗c3 ♗g7 4.c4 d6 5.♗e2 0-0 6.♗g5 c5 7.dxe5 ♗a5 8.♗d2 ♗xc5 9.♗f3 e6? [Such play, weakening d6 cannot be recommended. While 9...♗c6, 9...b6, 9...♗c6, 9...♗bd7 and 9...♗c6 have all been seen by theory, best of all appears the standard 9...♗g4 10.0-0 ♗xf3 11.♗xf3 ♗c6 12.♗e2 ♗d4 when having removed White's king's knight, the second player secures play on the central dark squares.] 10.0-0 ♗c6 11.♗d4 ♗b6 12.♗db5 ♗d8 13.♗e3 ♗c6 14.♗xa7 ♗xa7 15.♗xa7 ♗bd7 16.♗d4 ♗xe4 17.♗xg7 ♗xg7 18.♗xe4 ♗xe4 19.♗f3 ♗xc4 20.♗xd6 ♗h5 [20...♗c5 21.♗fd1 ♗f8 22.♗xc5 ♗xe5 23.♗ae1 ♗a4 23...♗a6 24.♗xe8 ♗xe8 25.♗xb7+] 24.b3 ♗b6 25.♗e7+ } 21.♗ae1 ♗f8 22.♗fe1 ♗f6 23.♗c5 ♗a6?? [Since the pin on f6 cannot be broken, Kevin should have exchanged queens. Regardless, however, the ending is still lost.] 24.g4 h6 25.h4 ♗d3 26.♗c3 1-0

○Acosta, Mariano (2200)

●Kramer, Charles (2325)

1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 e6 3.d3 h6 4.g3 ♗b7 5.♗g2 d6 6.0-0 ♗f6 7.♗e1 ♗c6 8.♗bd2 ♗c7 9.a4 g6 10.♗c4 ♗g7 11.♗f4 e5 12.♗g5 h6 13.♗xf6 ♗xf6 14.c3 0-0 15.♗e3 ♗g7 16.♗d5 ♗d7 17.h4 ♗e7 18.♗h2 ♗xd5 19.exd5 f5 20.h5 gxh5 21.♗xb5 ♗f7 22.♗xf7+ ♗xf7 23.a5 h5 24.a6 ♗c8 25.♗f3 ♗f6 26.g4 ♗h8 27.gxf5 ♗xf5 28.♗c4 h4 29.c4 ♗xe4 30.♗xe4 h5 31.♗f1 ♗g5 32.♗g2 ♗h6 33.♗e2 ♗b6 34.♗d2 ♗g4 35.f3+ ♗f5 36.♗e4 ♗g8+ 37.♗g3+ ♗g6 38.♗e4 ♗f8 39.♗h3 ♗f5 40.♗g3+ ♗g6 41.♗g2 ♗h8 42.♗e4+ ♗f5 43.f4 ♗h6 44.♗g3+ ♗g6 45.fxe5 dxe5 46.♗e4+ ♗f7 47.♗xc5 ♗f4 48.♗c4 ♗hh6 49.♗ag1 ♗h7 50.c5 ♗b8 51.♗d6+ 1-0

# ROUND 5

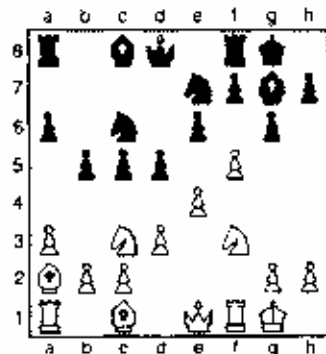
Round 5 had the most upsets, and each of the 7 winners earned prize money to go with their accomplishments. Bert Gazmen (2115) beat Enrico Sevillano (2587) to tie Jim Marshall for top expert. Blair Machaj (1758) beat his High School coach Joe Splinter (2108) to top the B class. Barry Walker (1636) beat Robert Sav (2068) to tie Will Hayes for 2nd in class B. Brad Goral (1590) beat Larry Cohen (2013), Tom Wachter (1536) beat Dan Sajkowski (1914), and Greg Wittek (1466) beat Brian Wong (1798) to split the class C prizes 3 ways. Finally, Matt Thomas (1355) beat Chuck Giertz (1772) to top class D.

○Manion, Josh (2440)

●Robledo, Mark Sr

[Alan Watson]

1.e4 c5 2.♗c3 g6 3.f4 ♗g7 4.♗d3 e6 5.a3 [5.a3 is a tricky continuation of the Grand Prix played only after an early e6 by Black which threatens b2-b4 generating pressure along the a3-f8 diagonal.] 5...♗e7 6.♗c4 a6 7.d3 ♗b6 8.0-0-0 9.♗el d5 10.♗a2 b5 11.f5!



[Realizing that slower means are insufficient to challenge Black's powerful build up, Josh launches the now-familiar f4-f5 sacrifice to guarantee open lines for his pieces.] 11...d4?! [Were Black able to rapidly follow this up with e5-e4 maintaining the tempo of his own attack, all would be well. However, since this plan will not be realizable for a long time to come the actual result is to increase the scope of White's ♗a2 and remove any of his concerns about an untimely opening of the center. 11...♗d4! appears more challenging so as to exchange a weaker piece for the powerful ♗f3 and threaten exf5 with greater effect.] 12.♗e2 exf5 13.♗h4 ♗d6 [A serious error would be 13...♗c6?? 14.♗xe6 fxe6 15.♗g5 with material advantage. The basic idea of Black's plan is to strongpoint the square e5.] 14.♗f4 ♗e5 15.♗ae1 ♗7c6 16.exf5 ♗xf5 17.♗g3 ♗f6?! [17...♗d8 18.♗xf5 ♗xf3+ 19.♗xf3 gxf5 20.♗g5 ♗d6 21.♗g3+; 17...♗d7 18.♗g5 h6 19.♗xf7 ♗xf7 20.♗xf7+;

17...♗ae8 18.♗g5 h6 19.♗5c4 ♗xc4 20.♗xe4 ♗c7 21.♗xe7 ♗xe7 22.♗xc5±] 18.♗xf5 ♗xh4 19.♗xd6 ♗xf3+ 20.gxf3 ♗xe1 21.♗xe1 [Black's rooks have no open files to occupy and are therefore unable to compete effectively against his opponent's powerful minor pieces.] 21...♗a7 22.♗e4 e4 23.dxc4 ♗g7 24.c5 ♗e8 25.♗f2 f6 26.♗d5 ♗e5 27.♗d6 ♗f8 28.♗xc5 fxc5 29.♗xe5 ♗c7 30.♗e8+ 1-0

The three players tied for 1st got there by avoiding the upset bug, but still didn't have perfect scores. Osman Pakos was held to a draw by Kevin Bachler in round 3, and Al Chow & Alfredo Base drew each other in round 4.

Justin Sadauskas scored 3.5 to win class A, with Jim Oberweis & Mark Robledo (the father) close behind at 3 points. The new for this year separate E prize was split 3 ways by Winston Huang, April Hieronymus, and Armand Tuzel. Each had 2 points. John Barth was the only unrated player, but earned his prize with 2 points.

The low turnout of 74 players was a big disappointment as well as a large monetary loss for our club. However, the members of the St Charles Chess Club have decided to continue to sponsor this tournament. We are considering making some changes for next year to attract more players.

[This game submitted to me by Blair Machaj.

Notes are by him - Ed.]

W- Blair Machaj

B- Joe Splinter

1. e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3. e5 c5 4. e3 Ne6 5. Nf3 Nd7 6. Be2 f6 7. exf6 Nxf6 8. Ne5 (an idea I saw at the Nationals and it gave white an interesting game. Joe has been my teacher since I was in fourth grade, and I knew that he knew the line better than I did.) Nxx9. dxe5 Ne4 10. O-O Be7 11. f4 (f4 is probably a mistake, I should hit the knight with f3 an then play f4 with tempo.) Qb6 12. Qe1 e4+ 13. Kh1 Be5 14. g3 (He could play Bf2 15. Qc2 Bxg3 16. hxg3 Nxxg3+ 17. Kg2 Nxf1 but I felt it didn't give him a big advantage.) Be6 15. Bf3 Nf2+ 16. Kg2 Nd3 17. Qd2 O-O 18. Qc2 d4 19. Nd2 (after this, I felt my game was only slightly inferior. Almost all of my pieces have gotten out, and I have some threats.) dxc3 20. Qxc3 Bd4 (probably a mistake for Black. He gives me a pawn, and my queen is now active.) 21. Qxc4 Bxf3 (Bxf3 is a mistake. He puts my knight where I want it - to hit the Bd4.) 22. Nxf3 Rf8 23. Rb1 (Can't take the Nd3 ... Bxb2 winning the exchange.) Nx1 24. Rfxc1 Be3 25. Re1 aRc8 26. Qc4 Be5 27. b3 Ba3 28. bRd1 Rxd1 29. Rxd1 Qc5 30. Qxb7 Qc2+ 31. Rd2 Qe5 32. Qd7 Bb4 (A mistake - gives up another pawn and some tempos.) 33. Qxe6+ Kh8 34. Nfg5 (if he takes the R, then 35. Nf7+ Kg8 36. Nh6 dbl+ Kh8 37. Qg8 Rxxg8 28. Nf7+.) Qc7 35. Qf5 g6 36. Qf6+ Kg8 37. Qe6+ Kh8 38. Nf7+ Kg7 39. Qf6+ Kg8 (on Kb8 40. Nd6+ Kg8 41. Nxf8 Bxd2 42. Ne7 and its an easy win.) Nh6++

# Chess Traveler's Reports -

## News from Illinois Chess Clubs

### ***Knight Moves Chess Club News***

By Hector Hernandez

Five Lezans Branch players participated in the 3rd Annual Midway Chess Amateur Class Championships on July 12-13. Miguel Camargo scored a perfect 5-0 to take home the \$300 first place prize in the D-E-Ururated Section. Miguel, whose first USCF tournament was the 1992 Illinois Open, had already scored a couple of major tournament victories. First place in the 1993 National Junior High School Championship, Junior Varsity/Under-1100 with a score of 6.5 of 7, and first place tie in the 1995 Chicago Open D Section, for which he earned \$800. He does not play very much, and it may be another year or two before he comes out of self-imposed exile to post another perfect score in some big tournament. In the meantime, he picked up 61 rating points for the only perfect score of the entire tournament. Fabian Ramos and Jose Rodriguez, Jr. scored 3 points in 5 games. Fernando Montoya and Ulises Ortega also played in this event.

The AT&T Regional Office sponsored the first annual Knight Moves Chess Fiesta in late July. It was a very positive event. We thank Lucy Manella and Fannie Whittemore for their support in making it all possible and look forward to greater involvement with this corporate sponsor. (Article elsewhere in this issue.)

Jose Rodriguez, Jr. continues to hold his spot among the nation's top fifty 8 year-olds. He has been tested in four of the last five rating supplements. The Summer months found Jose preparing for the upcoming scholastic season. We wish him a lot of success as he plans his strategy to join the list of distinguished 9 year-olds in the country.

The response to our AT&T Knight Moves Chess Fiesta '97 was very encouraging. Therefore, we are starting to schedule quarterly tournaments at the library for the coming year. For information call (312) 746-4329.

### ***Windy City Chess Association***

by NM Vince W. Berry or Cindy Misiak

#### **MIDWAY AMATEUR CLASS CHAMPIONSHIPS**

NM VINCE W. BERRY

To start with I would like to thank Mr. Hector Hernandez and Mr. Josh Flores for letting me be a part of their wonderful chess event this last July 12-13 at the Oak Lawn Hilton. The Midway Class is a very nice tournament and I would like to wish them continued success with it in the future. Windy City offered some prizes in addition to those offered by the organizer. They were for most interesting game by a non-WCCA member, top junior (also non-member) and for members of the WCCA prizes for Most Interesting Game, Top Score (by WCCA member) and Best Game.

The Top Junior prize of two "New in Chess" books and a set and board went to John Wray (look out for John if you should meet him in a tournament). Of the two games I watched he is much stronger than his rating would indicate (1233). Most interesting game by non-WCCA member was won by Phil Bossaers for his fine win over former Master (still a very strong expert) Kevin "Clave man" Bachler. (\$25.00). Top Scoring WCCA member was split by Chris Baumgartner (class B) and Greg Witek (class C) both with 3-2 scores. (\$12.50 each). Most interesting game by WCCA member Greg Witek for his ending against Richard Rostrom. (\$25.00). Best Game by WCCA member was won by Dan Modes (a non-member but he had the best game!) for a nice combo against Vince Hart to reach a simple winning ending. (\$25.00).

Also a couple of runner-up games for your enjoyment. Thanks to everybody who submitted games. They all had their moments.

I would also like to thank all the players who came out and hope you will all be back next year. Remember these events are for YOU. Have fun and support your local clubs. Below you will find some of the games submitted for prizes. Enjoy them. I did.

#### **Bossaers P. ( 2055 ) - Bachler K. ( 2142 ) ( Rd. 2 ) *Most Interesting Game by Non-member***

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. Nc3 Bb4 4. e5 Ne7 5. a3 Bxc3+ 6. bxc3 e5 7. Nf3 Bf7 8. dxe5 Qa5 9. Rh1 Qxc3+ 10. Bd2 Qxd3 11. Rxb7 Nbc6 12. Jd3 Ne8 13. Rb3 Nb6 14. 0-0 h6 15. Re1 0-0 16. Nh4 Ne4 17. Bxd6 Nxe5 18. Qh5 Nxd3 19. Rxd3 Qa5 20. Re11 d4 21. Qg4 Qe5 22. Rg3 f5+ 23. Qxg7+ 1-0 (Black resigns as after 23... Qxg7 24. Rxg7+ Kh8 25. Ng6 mate.)

#### **Witek G. - Rostrom R. ( Rd. 5 ) *Most interesting game by WCCA Member***

1. e4 e5 2. g3 Nc6 3. Ne1 g6 4. Hg2 Hg7 5. d3 Nb6 6. h3 0-0 7. Be3 d6 8. Qd2 Re8 9. Nee2 Rb8 10. e3 b5 11. f4 Bb7 12. Nf3 Nd7 13. g4 e6 14. h4 f5 15. g5 Ne7 16. Ng3 Nb6 17. 0-0 e4 18. d4 fxe4 19. Nh2 d5 20. Ng4 Ne5 21. Nxf5 exf5 22. Ne5 Nd7 23. Qd1 Nxe5 24. dxe5 h5+ 25. Bxa7 Re8 26. Rf2 Qa5 27. Bd4 Jf8 28. Hh3 (here is the start of an interesting idea) Be5 29. Hxf5 Hxh4 30. exd4 gxf5 31. Qh5 Re7 32. Qg6+ Rg7 33. Qxf7 Qb6 (and white has 20 million pawns for the piece) 34. Qh3 Rf8 35. Rd1 Hx8 36. Qg3 Hf5 37. h5 (yes h4!) Qe6 38. Rh2 Kf7 39. Kf2 Ke8 40. Rg1 Qb6 (oh yes, there is a queen-side) 41. Ke3 f4 42. Rhg2 Qb5 43. Re1 e3 44. Rd1 exb2 45. Reb2 Re7 46. Rh3 Re3+ 47. Rxc3 bxc3 48. Qg2 Qe4 49. Qe2 Bg4 50. Re1 Bhd5 51. Rh1 Qd3+ 52. Qxd3 exd3 53. Rf8+ Ke7 54. Rxf8 Kxf8 55. Kxd3 Hg6+ 56. Kxc3 Ke7 57. Kb4 Ke6 58. Ke5 Kf5 59. a4 Kxf4 60. Kd6 1-0 (Black resigns). Not perfect but exciting.

#### **Hart V. - Modes Dan (Rd. 3) *Best Game ( nice combo to force winning ending )***

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 e6 3. d4 exd4 4. Nxd4 a6 5. Ne3 Ne6 6. Be2 Qe7 7. 0-0 Nf6 8. Be1 b5 9. Nxe6 dxe6 10. f1 b4 11. e5 Nd5 12. Nxd5 exd5 13. Re1 Bd7 14. e3 Qb7 15. exb4 Bxb4 16. Qh3 Bb8 17. Kh1 a5 18. Bd4 0-0 19. Qg3 Rf8 20. f5 Rxc1 21. Rxe1 Re8 22. Rd1 Bb5 23. Hg4 Jd7 24. f6 g6 25. Qb4 Re4 26. Be2 Re2 27. a3 Rxe2 28. axb4 Qxb4 29. Qb6 Qf8 30. Qe1 Ba4 31. Rd2 Re4 32. g3 Qa8 33. Rd3 Bb5 34. Re3 Be4 35. Qd2 a4 36. Kg1 Qf8 37. Re3 Qb6 ( get ready ) 38. Kg2 Qh3+ 39. h3 and here it is 39. Kxh3 Bf1+ 40. Qe2 Bxg2+ 41. Kxg2 Rxd4 42. Re2 Re4 43. Kf3 Kf8 44. Ke3 Ke8 45. Kd3 Kd7 46. h3 Ke6 47. g4 Ke5 48. g5 Kb4 49. Rh2 Kb3 50. h4 Re1 51. Kd4 Re2. and White resigned in about 10 more moves.

and now for a couple of runners up.....

**Cohen, H- Modes,D ( Rd. 5 ) a nice old fashioned king hunt**

1. e4 e5 2. f4 d5 3. exd5 e4 4. Ne3 Nf6 5. Bb5+ c6 6. dxc6 bxc6 7. Be2 Be5 8. d3 Qd1 9. Nxe4 Nxe4 10. cxc4 Qf2+ 11. Kd2 0-0 12. Ke3 Bh6 13. Nf3 Rd8 14. Qf1 Qe5+ 15. Kb3 Be6+ 16. c4 Na6 17. a3 Qa5 18. f5 Ne5+ 19. Ka2 Qa4 20. Rb1 Qb3+ 21. Ka1 Na6 22. Nd2 Qa4 23. fxe6 Bd4 24. Qxf7+ Kh8 25. Qe7 e5 26. Qxe5 and White gave it up in another 8 moves

**Singer, R - Cox, W ( Rd. 4 ) Was Robby mad here or what?**

1. d4 g6 2. e4 Hg7 3. e4 e5 4. d5 d6 5. Nc3 Nf6 6. Be2 0-0 7. f4 e6 8. Nf3 Re8 9. 0-0 exd5 10. exd5 Bf5 11. Bd3 Ne4 12. Nxe4 Bxe4 13. f5! gxf5 14. Bxe4 fxe4 15. Ng5 e3 16. Qh5 h6 17. Qxf7+ Kh8 18. Ne6 Qe7 19. Bxe3 Na6 20. Qg6 Rf8 21. Bch6 1-0 ( Black resigns )

**Archer Park #2**

by NM Vince W. Berry

Windy City's second Archer Park tournament saw a repeat performance by newcomer Cesar Mariano, the clear First Place winner by 1.5 points. There was a three way tie for second place between tournament veterans Larry Cohen, Hector Hernandez and Robert Marcowka. Other Class winners were David Mishlove (Class B), Orland Smith (Class C) and Frank Mrgan (Class D) as well as Richard Lewis (Second Place Class D). How many times have you seen somebody win a Class prize with zero points? (see Cross Table). It was nice to see Mr. Marcowka, David Mishlove and Frank Mrgan have good performances after being inactive for some time. Welcome back.

The raffle in this tournament was again for a clock and three sets. The clock went to David Mishlove, and the sets went to Bob Marcowka, Frank Mrgan and Orland Smith.

An interesting thing happened after Round 5. John Klein, after being upset by Orland Smith, decided to withdraw, forfeiting his lock on the Class B prize under rule 32C1. This turned out to be a \$55 mistake, as his name was also drawn in the raffle for a set and board. What a shame he didn't stay in the tournament. Even if he lost he would have received 3 times his entry back. It was also interesting he waited until the pairings were done before withdrawing, also against the rules. (rule 13G, also see page 196 note 5.)

Besides Cesar, another good performance was turned in by Robert Marcowka who had 2 upsets in Rounds 5 and 6 (see games below).

Our thanks, also, to Larry Cohen for assisting with this tournament and to Bob & Ann Misiak for being the "extra sets of hands" when most needed.

**Marcowka - Mariano (Rd. 5) An interesting sock fest**

1. d4 d6 2. g3 Nf6 3. Bg2 e6 4. h3 a5 5. a3 Bf5 6. Bb2 d5 7. Nd2 e6 8. Ngf3 h6 9. 0-0 Be7 10. Ne5 0-0 11. Re1 Nbd7 12. h3 Bd6 13. Kh2 Qe7 14. Ra1 Rfd8 15. B3 e5 16. e4 Bh7 17. Nxd7 Nxd7 18. e5 Be7 19. f4 Rde8 20. e4 Nh6 21. a4 cd4 22. Ba3 Qe8 23. e5 Nd7 24. Re1 Nh8 25. Nf3 d3 26. Nd4 Ne6 27. Nb5 Qd7 28. Nd6 Reb8 29. g4 h6 30. g5 hg5 31. ch6 Rxb6 32. Rxc6 Re6 33. f5 Rxd6 34. f6 Rf6 35. Bh2 Qd8 36. Kh1 Rab8 37. Qh5 Bg6 38. Qxg5 Rxb3 39. h4 Rxb2 40. h5 Rvg2 41. Kxg2 Rb2+ 42. Kh1 d4 43. hg6 Qd5+ 44. Kg1 Qg2+ 45. Qxg2 Rxp2+ 46. Kxp2 Bxe5 47. gxf7+ Kxf7 48. fpg7+ Kpg7 49. Rd1 Bd6 50. Rsd3 e5 51. Kf3 DRAWN (1/2 - 1/2)

**Cohen, L. - Marcowka (Rd. 6) Tactics, Part II**

1. e4 f5 2. g3 Nf6 3. Hg2 e6 4. Nf3 Be7 5. Ne3 0-0 6. d4 d6 7. d4 h6 8. h3 Bd7 9. Bh2 e6 10. d5 e5 11. Nd2 e5 12. e4 f4 13. g4 e4 14. Nf3 Bg4 15. Qd3 Nbd7 16. Ne2 Nb7 17. h3 Bxd3 18. Qxd3 Bf6 19. Bxb6 Qxb6 20. Bh1 Ne5 21. Qe3 Qh4 22. f3 Rf6 23. Kh2 Ra8 24. Qe1 Qh5 25. Rd1 Rg6 26. Qf2 Ng5 27. h4 Nxe4 28. fxe4 Ng4+ 29. Kh3 Nxf2+ 30. Rxf2 Qg4+ 31. Kh2 Qxb4 MATE (0 - 1)

**Hernandez, H- Lee T. (Rd.6) Here is your ICA president in action.**

1. d4 Nf6 2. Nf3 g6 3. Bf4 d6 4. e3 Bg7 5. Nbd2 0-0 6. h3 b6 7. Be2 Bh7 8. 0-0 e9 9. e3 Ne6 10. Qe2 Re8 11. Rad1 Nd5 12. Bg5 exd4 13. exd4 Nxd4 14. Nxd4 Bxd4 15. Qa4 Be5 16. Nf3 Be6 17. Qh4 f6 18. Bh6 Rf7 19. Be4 e6 20. Bxd5 Bxd5 21. b4 Bxa2 22. bxc5 Rxc5 23. Qd4 d5 24. Be3 Qa8 25. Re1 Be4 26. Rfe1 a5 27. Qd2 Re6 28. Rb1 Rb7 29. Nd4 Rb8 30. Nbs Rb6 31. Recl a4 32. Na3 Bb3 33. f4 b5 34. Bd4 Kf7 35. Qe1 Qh8 36. Qe3 Qf8 37. Re1 Qxa3 38. f5 e5 39. fpg6+ hpg6 40. Bxe5 Re6 41. Rf1 Qf8 and black flagged here

**Archer Park #3**

by Cindy Misiak

The third Windy City tournament held at Archer Park saw a first - a perfect 6 - 0 performance by its newest WCCA member, Albert Chow. Nice job! We also celebrated the 30-something birthday of Vince Berry. You're not getting older, you're getting better. Cash prizes were won by First Prize, AJ Chow, \$80; Second Prize - a clear Second, Ed Suarez, \$60, tied for Third plus First B, Hence Allan and Josh Flores, \$40 each; First A, Angelo Armistead, \$40; Second A, Howard Cohen, \$20; Second B, John Klein, \$20, tied for First and Second C, Greg Witek and Steven Albert, \$25 each; First D, Ed Howells, \$35, Second D, Mani Terrazas, \$15.

The raffle in this tournament was again for a clock and three sets. Thanks to lucky prizewinner Josh Flores for donating the set and board he won in the raffle back to us, which we then chose another recipient. Congrats, too, to the other winners of the sets and boards.

Also of note, it seems as if some players don't have enough equipment, while others must have too much. In this tournament, we had a strong player who did not bring any equipment and after losing on time forfeit (with a clock he borrowed) was unhappy and complained he didn't understand how to read the tie. This is why you should always have your own gear. While, at the same time, the player who won the clock in this event sold his prize for \$15. (It was worth \$45, I would have given him double. The 15 that is, not the 45.) Every tournament seems to be a new learning experience.

Besides Albert, other good performances were turned in by Edward Howells, who although is only rated 1044, ended up with 3.5 out of 6, beating Greg Witek (1466), Steven Albert (1493), Frank Mrgan (1350) and drawing Mani Terrazas (1291). The other good performance was by Frank Mrgan (1350) who scored two wins against players in the upper 1700's.

Most notably, we feel that these games deserve a special mention: two games from tournament winner, Albert Chow.

**Chow - Baumgartner (Round Two) This is how Albert treats his friends'**

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 ed 4.Nd4 e5 5.Nb5 d6 6.e4 Bc6 7.Be2 Re8 8.f4 f6 9.N5c3 Nd4 10.Na3 Nf6 11.Bc3 Ne2 12.Qc2 Be7 13.f3 0-0 14.Rae1 Re6 5.h3 Nd7 16.Rfd1 Bg5 17.Ne2 B5 18.Nb4 Be3 19.Qc3 Qb6 20.Qb6 Rb6 21.N3d5 Rb7 22.cb ab 23.Ro6 Ra8 24.Ne7 Re8 25.Ne6 Re6 26.Nob fe 27.Rd6 Nf8 28.Ne5 1-0

#### Suarez - Chow (Round Three) Albert's game against the Second Place finisher

1.d4 Nf5 2.e4 e5 3.d5 e6 4.Nc3 ed 5.cd d6 6.g3 g6 7.Bg2 Bg7 8.Nf3 0-0 9 0-0 Re8 10.Re1 a6 11.a4 Nf8d7 12.Qe2 Rb8 13.a5 b5 14.ab Qb6 15.e4 Ne5 16.Ne5 Re5 17.Kf1 Re8 18.Na4 Qe7 19.Bf4 Nd7 20.Rab1 Ne5 21.h3 Hg4 22.h3 Hd7 23.Nb2 f5 24.h4 fe 25.Be4 Bg4 26.Re3 Qd7 27.Nd3 Nd3 28.Qd3 Re4 29.Qe4 Bf5 30.Qe4 Bb1 31.Qa6 Rd8 32.Reb1 Bf8 33.Bg5 Re8 34.Qa1 Re6 35.de Bc4 36.Kb2 Qe6 37.Bc3 Qe4 38.Qf6 d5 39.Bf4 Qf5 40.Qe6 d4 41.Qb5 Bd5 42.Qb8 Qe4 43.Kh3 h5 44.Bh6 Qb1(mate) 0-1

We are looking forward to the upcoming WCCA events, to be held at Archer Park, 4901 South Kilbourn, Chicago. All are invited – for another day of good chess, fun, food and prizes! See you there!

#### Archer Park #4

*By NM Vince W. Berry*

On August 2nd we held our first ICA tour event that attracted 21 players. We had a few new faces from as far as Indiana and Mexico. First and Second place were split between Al Chow and new comer Roberto Chavez. (see game between these two below) Watch for more from Mr. Chavez, a master from Cuba and a very dangerous tactician. Third place was a three way tie between Indiana master Nick Adams, strong junior Bryan Gast and surprise finisher Scott Silverman. Angelo Armistead won 2nd class A. Greg Witek moved into the B class but still keeps winning money. (clear 1st B) Second B money was split three ways going to John Klein, Blair Machaj and Hecce Allen. Orland Smith won Second class C. Lastly the hidden strength (class D) money was split between Mike Cummings and Ron Konczal. These last two always have good positions against much higher rated players. The rest of you guys are going to be in trouble when they start converting them into full points. Once again we raffled off a clock as well as three sets and boards. Chow won the clock (he probably has a million clocks now) and the sets went to Blair Machaj, Carlos Sanchez and Greg Witek.

Here are a couple games from tournament co-winner Al Chow.

#### Al Chow(2393)- Roberto Chavez(2200) Rd. 4

1. d4 d5 2. e4 e6 3. Nf3 Nf6 4. g3 e5 5. Qe2 Nf8 6. Bg2 Bb6 7. 0-0 0-0 8. Nbd2 h6 9. ed e5 10. de fe 11. Ng5 Ng4 12. Qh7mate. See bad things happen to strong players too!!!! Al thought Roberto could have started things up some with 9... cd! 10. Qe6 Qc7 11. Qa8 Ba6 12. Qf8 Kf8 with unclear play

#### Nick Adams(2277)- Al Chow Rd. 5

1. d4 Nf6 2. e4 e6 3. Ne3 Bb4 4. e3 e5 5. Hd3 Ne6 6. a3 Bc1+ 7. bc 0-0 8. Ne2 h6 9. e4 Ne8 10. 0-0 Ba6 11. Bc3 Nd6 12. Bf4 Ne4 13. Qe2 f6 14. de bc 15. Bc4 Be4 16. Bb6 Rf7 17. Be5 Qa5 18. Bb6 Qa6 19. Rf1e1 Bd3 20. Qd1 Be4 21. Ng3 Bd5 22. Ne4 Na5 23. Bb4 Ne4 24. Qd4 Qe6 25. f3 a5 26. Bc5 d6 27. Nd6 e5 28. Qf2 Nd6 29. Rad1 Ne4 30. Rd3 Re8 31. Ba7 Qb7 32. Be5 R7e7 33. Bc3 Ne3 34. R1e3 Qb1 35. Qf1 Qf1 36. Kf1 Bc4 0-1 (white resigns)

## **Elmhurst Chess Club**

Roger Birkeland

Nearing the end of its first year, our new club now has 85 members. An expanded schedule is planned for the coming year, including more tournaments, simul's, lectures and matches with other clubs.

Our first ICA tour event, a 4-round Game/60 held on June 8, drew 25 players. Vladimir Kishinevsky emerged victorious with a perfect 4-0 in the open section. Larry Sims took second with 3-1, and Brad Wans and Mark Engelen shared the B prize. Aaron Cohen and Mathew Joseph shared honors in the under 1600 section with 3 1/2-1/2. A score of 3-1 netted Roger Birkeland the D prize.

At our club, tournaments with a time control of Game/15 or less are held as round robins. This lets the participants play more chess and spend less time waiting round for the pairings. We have found, for instance, that an 8 or even 10-round double round robin can be completed in about the same time it would take to pair and finish a 5-round Swiss. This was certainly the case on June 15, when the 6 players in the top section of a Game/10 tournament got in 10 rounds of chess! Vladimir Kishinevsky 4 Paul Prause shared top honors with 7-3, and Larry Cohen was third with 5 1/2-4 1/2. In the bottom section Joe Cygan and Mathew Joseph finished with 5-1.

The 20 players who came out on June 22 for a Game/29 tournament were conveniently divided into 5 quads. Bill Cox and Hob Stoltz shared honors in the top quad with 2-1. Bryan Gast, Vince Hart and Mathew Joseph all scored 2-1 to produce an unusual 3-way tie in the second quad. Greg Witek scored 3-0 to take the third quad, Kermit Dodson had 2-1 to win the fourth quad, and Ron Davidson demolished the fifth quad with 3-0.

July 6-The top two section of this Game/12 tournament were held as double quads. Ethelbert Gazman scored a very impressive 6-0 against a tough field including Ray Satterlee, Larry Cohen and Paul Prause, to take the top quad. Marty Ptacek won the second quad with 4-2. The lower section, held as a single round robin, was won by Joe Cygan with 5 1/2-1/2.

July 13-The 14 players who came out for this unrated, time-handicap blitz tournament had a good time and got in lots of chess. The round robin format meant everyone played 13 games, while the time handicap ensured that most games were close and exciting. Experts and A players were given 3 minutes, B players 4 minutes, C players 5 minutes, D players 6 minutes, and I players 7 minutes. Even though Ed Thomas was one of the higher rated players, his score of 12-1 was most impressive, as was Salar Jahedi's 10 1/2-1 1/2.

Our July schedule concluded with a two-week, 4-round Game/45 tournament that brought out 20 players on the 20th and 27th. Newcomer Misha Mladenovic from the former Yugoslavia, playing in his first USCF event, scored a perfect 4-0 to take clear first. Dan Modes, Mark Engelen, Marty Ptacek and Paul Prause shared second with 3-1, and Roger Birkeland took under 1400 honors with 2 1/2-1 1/2.

## **Oak Park - River Forest Chess Club News**

By Ken Marshall

Club Open Championship (May 13-June 10). Ray Satterlee ended up 5-0 to take first place in this 12 player, five round Swiss and become the 1997 OP-RF CC Open Champion. Runner up honors went to Hecce "Hutch" Allen with his 3.5-1.5 result. Paul Prause, Marty Ptacek, Joe Cygan, and Ted Shellhammer all followed at 3-2.



USCF Game/10 Round Robin: Ten players competed in this June 17 "Quick Play" tournament, which Chuck Collins (whose 1619 QP rating made him fifth on the wall chart) won by finishing 7.5-1.5. Collins, who beat all four players rated above him, lost only to Joe Cygan (1335) and drew with Roger Birkeland (1507). Marty Ptacek (1763) and Marusz Gorski (1649) tied for second and third with 7-2 scores.

USCF Game/15 Round Robin: This tourney drew eight players on July 8. Marty Ptacek (QP 1763) scored a perfect 7-0 to take first prize. Bill Barker (1677) and Marusz Gorski (1649) each ended up 5-2 and shared runner-up honors.

Albert Chow Lecture on Kasparov - Deeper Blue Match: Sixteen people attended this July 15 event, each got more than his \$5 worth as Senior Master Chow spent more than two hours analyzing several of the match games, asking and answering questions as he went along.

USCF Game/45 - Game/40 Round Robin: Butch Allen's 4.5-.5 result topped the six player field in this tournament, which featured two "G/45" rounds on July 22 and three "G/40" rounds on July 29. Second place went to Joe Cygan (1366), who was defeated only by Allen while posting a 3.5-1.5 score. Marty Ptacek (1785) was third at 3-2. Roger Birkeland (1375) finished 1.5-3.5 to garner Below 1400 honors.

## Cohen's Rambling

By Larry Cohen

The (Un)Wise Chess Sayings of Cohenfiemus

1. Go to the top, underpromote early.
2. It is better to lose a brilliantly played game than to win due to massive errors.
3. Time is a terrible thing to waste, that's why I prefer a time delay clock.
4. Claim no winning chances.
5. Oh for the cheap shot, it's not cheap if it works, and if it doesn't work it can be very costly (and if it works... you owe me \$10).
6. Use Acme batteries, power source of computer geniuses & Roadrunner traps everywhere.
7. Remember for White 1.. E5 loses by force. (You can be forfeited for cheating!)
8. Chess is an easy game to understand, just don't ask me what my opponent's doing. [I'm still trying to figure out my moves.]
9. It may be politically incorrect, but Queen on her color is easy to remember.
10. Woodpushers of the world unite! Ban plastic chess pieces.
11. The deepest sacrifice is the King sac, because once you make this move you're really in deep.
12. Losing is not important, how you play is; especially if you're a Russian who's last name begins with a K.
13. Resign Now, you might have a win.
14. It is better to blunder quickly than take the time to carefully think out your moves. It makes the game go faster.
15. Kill the Wabbit! Kill the Wabbit! Goal when playing with a "Looney Loones" chess set.

## Fox Valley / Naperville Chess Club

By Joshua Flores

The Fox Valley/Naperville is about to celebrate its one year anniversary at the Radisson Lisle. We have over 60 members, with more joining every week.

Recently, we have been looking for a new site to hold our meetings. We are in talks with the Naperville Park District. It is possible we may be moving, but this will be for the better. A park district site would cut down on our overhead tremendously. That would mean dues will decrease. It will also mean that we can plan other types of events other than running just USCF rated tournaments. The move, if it becomes reality, will allow us to offer more services to our membership.

Many of you may have noticed a blank in late August and September for events on the Tournament Life. Well, this is when we plan to have our Club Championship Match. Details are still being ironed out, but we will let you know as soon as possible how this will occur.

Also, the club was a front page feature in a recent issue of the Naperville Sun. It had a mostly written piece from a laywoman's point of view. We received tons of calls and inquiries from this! Publicity works! We had 20 new visitors the next Monday, and 1 new adult member.

The Fox Valley/Naperville Chess Club meets on Mondays from 6:30 - 11:00. For information call Roy Frye at 630-844-1284 or Josh Flores at 630-305-0152.

## ILLINOIS CHESS ASSOCIATION TOUR STANDINGS

By Bill Smythe

These standings reflect the following 1997 Tour events.

January 4-5, 1997	MAXI	Tim Just Winter Open, Grayslake			
January 18, 1997	mini	Peoria Tornado	May 11, 1997	mini	Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score Quick
January 18, 1997	mini	Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score	May 17, 1997	mini	Fox Valley / Naperville Open, Lisle
January 19, 1997	micro	Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score Quick	May 23-26, 1997	MAXI	Chicago Open, Schaumburg
February 8-9, 1997	mini	Chicago Chess Club February Frost	June 7, 1997	mini	Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score
February 15, 1997	micro	11 S. Amateur Team Quick, Rosemont	June 8, 1997	mini	Filmhurst Chess Club Game/60
March 1, 1997	mini	Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score	June 20-22, 1997	MAXI	Master Challenge, St Charles
March 2, 1997	micro	Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score Quick	June 28, 1997	micro	Peoria Quick Tornado
March 8, 1997	mini	Fox Valley / Naperville Amateur, Lisle	June 28, 1997	mini	Fox Valley / Naperville Open, Lisle
March 21-23, 1997	MAXI	Mid-America Class Championship, Rosemont	July 5, 1997	mini	Chicago CC Masters-Play-Free Plus-Score
April 5, 1997	mini	Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score	July 6, 1997	micro	Chicago CC Masters-Free Plus-Score Quick
April 5-6, 1997	MAXI	Greater Peoria Open	July 12-13, 1997	MAXI	Midway Amateur Class, Oak Lawn
April 6, 1997	micro	Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score Quick	July 19, 1997	mini	Fox Valley / Naperville Open, Lisle
April 19, 1997	mini	Fox Valley / Naperville Open, Lisle	July 26-27, 1997	mini	Chicago Chess Club Summer Open
April 26-27, 1997	mini	Chicago Chess Club Spring Open			
May 10, 1997	mini	Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score			

Upcoming 1997 Tour events

September 27, 1997 micro Windy City Cheapie #1, Chicago  
 September 28, 1997 mini Windy City Cheapie #2, Chicago  
 October 11, 1997 mini Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score  
 October 26, 1997 mini Elmhurst Chess Club Game40  
 Oct 31 - Nov 2, 1997 MAXI Midwest Class, Lisle  
 November 8, 1997 micro Windy City Cheapie #3, Chicago  
 November 9, 1997 micro Windy City Cheapie #3, Chicago  
 November 15, 1997 micro Tuley Park Quick, Chicago  
 November 22-23, 1997 MAXI Illinois Class, Oak Lawn  
 December 13-14, 1997 mini Windy City Holiday Open, Chicago  
 December 27-28, 1997 MAXI Holiday Classics, Burr Ridge

To be included in future issues

August 9, 1997 mini Bradley Summer Open, Peoria  
 August 9-10, 1997 MAXI All-American Class, Oak Brook Terrace  
 August 17, 1997 mini Chicago Chess Club Plus-Score  
 August 23, 1997 mini Fox Valley / Naperville Trophy Event, Lisle  
 August 24, 1997 mini Strategic Thinking Amateur, Rosemont  
 Aug 30 - Sep 1, 1997 MAXI Illinois Open, Elk Grove

Other Tour events may be added as the year progresses. Consult the Illinois Chess Bulletin, Chess Lite or ChessPhone (630-832-5222) for details.

For players with fewer than three 1997 Tour events, the number of events (1 or 2) is shown in parentheses. A player must have played in at least three Tour events during 1997 to be eligible for year-end Tour prizes.

NOTE: ICA membership is required for all Illinois residents playing in ICA Tour events. Residents of other states are not required to join ICA if they are members of their home state chess associations. However, Tour points earned by out-of-staters do not count unless they are ICA members.

**Master Tour Points**

PAIOS Osman 99.4  
 CHOW Albert C. 80  
 SZPISJAK Steven J. 69.5  
 DANDRIDGE Marvin 48.6  
 ZINYTCH Miron 40.5  
 BACHLER Kevin L. 37  
 MARSHALL, James A. 33.4  
 WATTS Bradley S. 30  
 KORNFEJLD Allen 28.5  
 SMYTHE Bill 27.1  
 COHEN Lawrence S. 22.5  
 MACHAJ Blair L. 22  
 MANRON Josh (2) 20

**Expert Tour Points**

BACHLER Kevin L. 61  
 MARSHALL, James A. 50.3  
 COHEN Lawrence S. 49.5  
 TUBIC Bisl L. 43  
 ZINYTCH Miron 36.5  
 SMYTHE Bill 36.1  
 WATTS Bradley S. 36  
 SAX Robert D. 27.5  
 MACHAJ Blair L. 26  
 CAVENEY Geoffrey 24.3  
 SCOTT Gene G. 24.2  
 FAGAN James B. 23.5  
 CAIDMAN Chuck 21.5  
 INUMERABLE Flore (2) 21  
 BAUMGARTNER Chris 20.5  
 PORTER John 20.5

**Class A Tour Points:**

WATTS Bradley S. 41  
 MOSES Daniel R. 40.8  
 SMYTHE Bill 36.1  
 CRONIN Mike 35  
 MACHAJ Blair L. 26  
 FISCHER Gregory A. 23.8  
 WONG Brian 22.5  
 JANKAUSKAS Kazys (2) 22  
 MOHAPATRA Tarami (2) 22  
 BAUMGARTNER Chris 20.5  
 COHEN Lawrence S. 20  
 GAST Bryan 20  
 SCHNEIDER Boris (1) 20  
 WITPK Gregory A. 19.5

COHEN Howard 19  
 HAYES Will 19

**Class B Tour Points:**

ROBLEDO Mark Jr. 62.5  
 WATTS Bradley S. 54.5  
 BAUMGARTNER Chris 52.5  
 MACHAJ Blair L. 38  
 COVIC Mehmed 35.9  
 BOWELL Thomas W. 35  
 HART Vincent J. 32  
 HALF Bob Lloyd 28.8  
 HART Dan G. 27  
 ENGELN Mark 26.5  
 HAYES Will 23.5  
 SILVERMAN Scott A. 22.5  
 STEVENS Joseph M. 22.5  
 WACHTER Tom W. 22  
 DELAY Joe 21  
 PADILLA Rudy R. 21  
 KLEIN John 20

**Class C Tour Points**

SZAIKUN Martin 34  
 WACHTER Tom W. 32  
 JAFFEDI Salar 31.5  
 RIDDLE Robert 31.5  
 WITPK Gregory A. 31.5  
 VIERECKI Craig 27.5  
 CHEN Aaron 27  
 DE PERALTA Artur (2) 27  
 HUANG Kenneth 26.5  
 AKHMELOV Artem 23.8  
 LEALT Matthew 23  
 PADILLA Rudy R. 22.5  
 ALBERT Steven 21  
 GASPECKI Alan F. 20  
 POYNTER Matt (1) 20

**Class D Tour Points:**

REDDIVARI Dushyanth 54  
 ALLEN Tim S. 35  
 CAMARGO Miguel (1) 32  
 WISNINER Michael 25.3  
 LEWIS Eric 24.5  
 HUANG Winston 23  
 CHU-KUNG Ben (2) 22

KUNG Harold 22  
 AKHMELOV Artem 20  
 DODSON Kerttu (2) 20  
 POYNTER Matt (1) 20  
 RASMUSSEN Robert (2) 20  
 WRAY John (1) 19

**Class E Tour Points:**

HUANG Winston 28  
 NIBBI Dennis 27  
 PULLIN Matthew (2) 26  
 WEBER Jon (2) 25  
 PARK William 22.5  
 ALLEN Tim S. 18  
 MC NALLY Michael 15  
 SENGUERA Thomas J. 14  
 MC FADDEN Donald (2) 13  
 CASTIC Samuel R. (1) 12  
 HOWELLS Edward (1) 12  
 VLEFNCHIK Vlad (2) 12  
 RODRIGUEZ Jose A. Jr. 10.5

**Class F Tour Points**

WEBER Jon (2) 25  
 CLOUGH Patrick (2) 22  
 ROSS Ben (1) 19  
 BIRONOMYUS April 17  
 LEVY Adam D. 15  
 VILAFLORES Elizabeth (1) 14  
 PEDERSEN Soren C. (1) 12  
 SUNG Woojae (2) 12  
 KASSIN David (1) 10  
 PYTEL James F. (2) 10

**Class G Tour Points**

SOMASUNDARAM Vig (1) 32  
 ROSS Ben (1) 19  
 KASSIN David (1) 10  
 GILBERTI Jessica (1) 6  
 NIKOLICHENKOS Bas (1) 6  
 ORTEGA Ulises (2) 6  
 WILLARD Matthew (1) 6  
 CAMARGO Martha (1) 5  
 GILBERTI Alexandre (1) 5  
 HARBACEK Kyle C. (1) 5  
 VAN HORN Scott (1) 5  
 WILLARD Gary (1) 5

# BLOOMINGTON 1997

By Debbie Socha

[Debbie is mom of Robert Ruddle. He is a Top 50 player and a member of the U.S. National K-5 Champions - Caverna Chess Club (Check this out in Square One!) This is her reaction on a recent Camp held by Strategic Thinking her son attended.]

A Chess Camp in Illinois? No, can't be, us folks in Illinois have to at least cross state lines into Wisconsin or Indiana to have our kids attend a decent chess camp.

Well... not any more!

Strategic Thinking, Inc. branch of EM Josh Marion, and Joe and Julie Oberweis hit the ground running with a new camp held at Illinois Wesleyan in Bloomington this

past June following the Junior Open. 34 kids and one adult from California to North Carolina, kicked off what is sure to become one of the most prestigious chess camps in the country.

Instruction was superior. GM Alex Yermolinsky, IM Jeremy Silman, IM John Donaldson and IM Josh Marion combined to create a week of stimulating lessons, and amazing analysis. They ended with a wild and crazy simul with all participants playing all instructors. This simul was just as much fun to watch as it was to play. Think about this, an opportunity to learn from the world's finest chess instructors, to play casual blitz with them after lunch, most folks can only dream of this - 35 had their dream become reality this week!

The 'Yerminator' held each class' attention with brilliantly annotated games, and emphasized the strength of passed pawns on the outside files.

Silman befriended all the students with his colorful style of analysis as well as his colorful shirts! Donaldson, 'the Ben Crenshaw' of chess, filled each lecture with the rich history of the players and the game, as well as the importance of 'tactics, tactics, tactics'! Marion had a way of making the kids 'want' more chess well after the end of each session.

your games is invaluable to the students, most of whom "soaked-up" the information eagerly.

Each day included three, hour-and-a-half-long classes - end game structure, middle game strategies and TACTICS, TACTICS, TACTICS were studied. Each group of students attended classes

Also, during the week all participants were able to use, first hand, Chess Mentor, and excellent educational tool for those wanting to improve their techniques, as well as their rating!

The facility, Illinois Wesleyan University, was nicely compact - dorm to cafeteria to classroom and back - definitely less than a city block. (And the dorm rooms, for those that care, were well air-conditioned. A real plus for down state in the summer!)

Every chance they got outside of the classroom, the instructors and students played

taught by each one of the instructors, and during the course of the week each instructor challenged their students in a timed simul

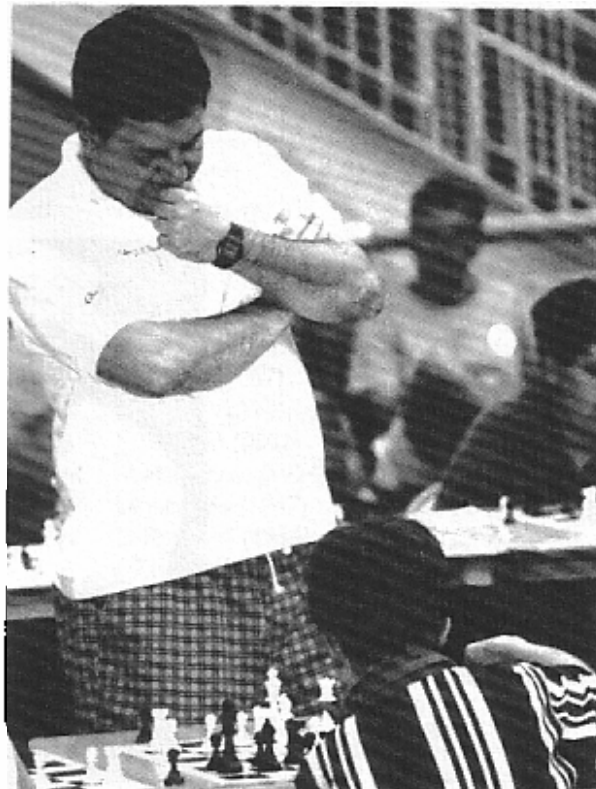
basketball - IM Silman truly learned that the game can not be played barefoot! - Or football - there will remain forever a ball on the roof of the cafeteria from a Joe Oberweis throw that will go down in the record books! - Or good old-fashioned catch.

Everyone had fun at the Blitz and Bughouse tournaments. Four teams tied for first place during the Bughouse tournament and, not surprisingly, when challenged by IM Marion and IM Silman, all were beaten royally. Everyone was involved, got to know one another, and the kids made new friends that they'll surely 'see' again on the ICC.

Bloomington 1997 - an outstanding chess experience in ILLINOIS a complete success!! (Reserve your space quick when you see it advertised for '98, people will, and should, be standing in line for this one next year!)



Each day began with a Game/60, followed by individual analysis by the instructor of your choice. Game analysis is always good. GM/IM analysis of



# **BET YOU CAN'T SOLVE THEM!**

BY JOSHUA FLORES

Hello everyone! I have heard a lot of people ask... "Why aren't there problems in the ICB?" Well ask no more! Starting this issue, I will be bringing a set of problems to be solved by you. And to make it more interesting it will be a ladder competition! The goal is to earn 100 points! Now what do you get if you do make the 100? How does a year's membership in the ICA grab you?

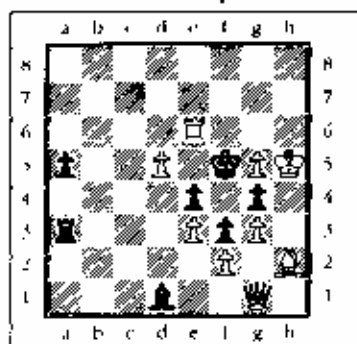
The rules are simple. You earn points by finding the key move, stating the theme, and providing any analysis you feel appropriate. Each problem will

have a maximum number of points that can be earned. White will move first unless otherwise stated. A cumulative total and listing will be kept by me. Once you have reached the top of the ladder with 100 points - you start all over again! (With any excess points over 100 being your new base!) Send all answers to: ICB Problems, C/O Josh Flores 379 Chilvers Court, Naperville, IL 60565-6331.

This issue's problems are original compositions by Cuban Master Roberto Chavez. He has been living in

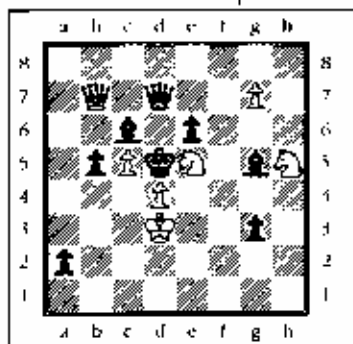
the Little Village area of Chicago for the past 7 years. He has over 27 years of experience teaching chess in Cuba, Puerto Rico, Florida, and Chicago. He is starting to become active in chess once again and recently played in the Knight Moves Chess Fiesta '97 winning a handmade chess table and a chess set. He also has played in a Windy City Event losing only to Albert Chow. I found the problems interesting and fun. I hope you do too. As always, please write, call, talk to me about any ideas or comments you may have.

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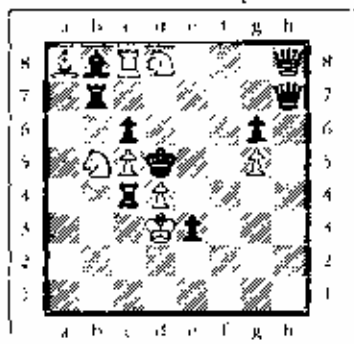
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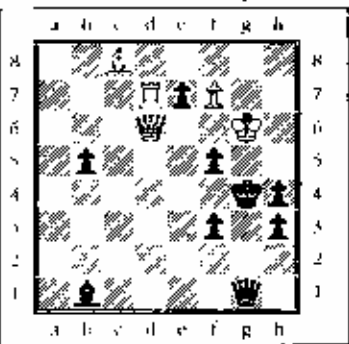
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Problem # 3 - 5 points



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Problem # 4 - 5 points



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# Fox Valley/Naperville Chess Club Regains Gensler Trophy

by M.L. Rantala

Less than a decade ago Kevin Gensler was a handsome, energetic college student who loved chess. Master strength at his peak, Kevin was a member of both the Fox Valley/Naperville Chess Club (FVNCC) and the St. Charles Chess Club. When these two clubs played their long-standing annual match against each other, he could choose which team he wanted to play on. Kevin's tragic death in an automobile accident when he was only 26-years-old deprived both teams of a valued member.

But the memory of Kevin Gensler lives on. His family donated his equipment and books to the clubs he frequented, and his clubs have paid him a high honor: to name their annual match after him and to create a beautiful trophy cup with his name engraved on it. The Kevin Gensler Memorial Trophy stays for one year with the club who wins the annual match. Before this year's event, St. Charles had won the trophy three times and FVNCC had won it twice. In reclaiming the Gensler Trophy this year, Fox Valley has evened the score.

This year's annual match was played on Mon-



Before the match: Josh Flores (L), president of the FVNCC and Erv Sedlock, president of the St. Charles CC.

## Gensler Match Results

St. Charles Player (rating)	Result	FVNCC Player (rating)
1 J. Splinter (2108)	W 0-1 B	R. Verber (2419)
2 R. Satterlee (2102)	B 0-1 W	E. Martinovsky (2348)
3 M. Aaron (2049)	W 0-1 B	S. Klug (2187)
4 J. Wiewel (2044)	B 0-1 W	P. Stein (2200)
5 M. Robledo, Sr (1952)	W 1-0 B	J. Wamen (2057)
6 E. Sedlock (1922)	B 1-0 W	L. Cohen (2013)
7 W. Buttry (1859)	W 5-5 B	J. Condran (2002)
8 B. Meissen (1817)	B 0- W	H. Hernandez (1924)
9 M. Robledo, Jr (1799)	W 1-0 B	J. Oberweis (1947)
10 C. Giertz (1772)	B 5-5 W	D. Rockwell (1954)
11 B. Machaj (1738)	W 5-5 B	J. Zeidel (1900)
12 R. Allison (1737)	B 1-0 W	R. Stables (1677)
13 R. Padilla (1500)	W 1-0 B	A. Slonskis (1794)
14 E. Patei (1500)	B 0-0 W	G. Witek (1466)
15 D. Gannakopoulos (1471)	W 1-0 B	T. Fineberg (1698)
16 M. Cummings (1275)	B 0-1 W	R. Wakerly (1681)
17 T. Ailes (1258)	W 0-1 B	F. Gruenberg (1565)
18 L. Lauger (1094)	B 0-1 W	E. Morso (1613)
19 R. Wirtz (874)	W 0-1 B	S. Lauger (1579)

day June 16th at the Naperville Radisson. Josh Flores, president of the FVNCC, organized the players for his team and Erv Sedlock, president of the St. Charles club, gathered players for his.

The match was contested on 19 boards. FVNCC claimed a decisive victory: 11.5 to 7.5, including wins on each of the top four boards.

But Roy Frye, who carefully scrutinized the match, has noted that the average rating on the Fox Valley boards was over 200 points greater than their St. Charles counterparts. Moreover, based on these rating differences, FVNCC was statistically expected to win 78% of the games but in fact only won 61% of the games. In losing, St. Charles put up a good struggle.

The match is an important tradition for both the clubs and one of its charms is that it draws on, and attracts, players of all strengths. The top boards sported FM Eugene Martinovsky and Senior Master Richard Verber. The bottom boards included devoted players hundreds of points lower rated. (See box listing all the players.) In addition to the players, many spectators enjoyed the match which was hard-fought as well as full of jovial chess spirit.

Joe Splinter (2110)  
Richard Verber (2420)  
St. Charles vs FVNC, 1997  
Board 1 [B23]  
Notes by John Tomas

1.c4 e5

Richard hasn't played the Sicilian on a regular basis in almost 25 years!

2.Nc3 g6 3.f4 Bg7 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.Bb5?!

This move has been known to be inferior for quite some time. If White hopes to play this line, the only way to play it is with 5.Bc4, but even that has been having its problems at the grandmaster level.

5...Nd4 6.0-0 a6?!

This is time-wasting and inaccurate, notwithstanding its advocacy by Florin Gheorghiu. If Black is not going to take the bishop, ...e6 looks best. But taking the bishop is best: 6...Nxb5! 7.Nxb5 d5 8.exd5 a6 9.Nc3 Nf6, and Black wins back the pawn with a very easy game.

7.Bd3 e6 8.Nxd4 exd4 9.Nc2 Ne7 10.Ng3?

A lemon. The knight is placed worse on g3 where it has nothing to do. Instead, White should play an immediate 10.Qe1! with the idea of attacking and eventually eliminating the Black d-pawn. Then, White would have a good game. White can try the same idea in several different ways:

a. 10.b3 0-0 11.Bb2 Nc6 12.c3 Qb6 13.Kh1

b. 10.c3 Nc6 11.Qe1 0-0 12.Qf2 Qb6 13.b3 d6 14.Bb2

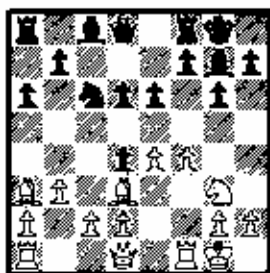
In the absence of an attempt to eliminate the d-pawn, White will find it almost impossible to integrate the two halves of the board.

10...Nc6 11.b3 0-0! 12.Ba3?

Again wrong! 12.Bb7 with the idea expressed in the previous note makes more sense.

12...d6!

Did White seriously expect ...Re8? 13.Bd6 with a clear advantage for White from a Senior Master?? They generally aren't that helpful!



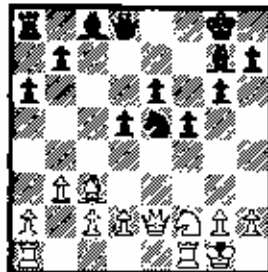
13.c5?

The losing mistake. White has wasted a lot of time, but could retain a more or less playable position with the aforementioned 13.Bb2.

13...dxc5

This is so obvious as to demand no praise. The real brilliance came when Black castled.

14.Bxf8 Qxf8 15.fxe5 Nxe5 16.Nc4 f5 17.Qe2 Qd8 18.Nf2



For the exchange, Black has one pawn, an enormous center, the two bishops and command of the black squares. It is hardly an exaggeration to call White's game already lost.

18...Kh8 19.Rac1 b6?

A point worth noting, Black avoids ...b5 because the pawn then come under attack with 20.a4!

20.c3 Bb7 21.Bc4 Qd6 22.exd4 Nxc4 23.Qxc4 Bxd4 24.Ree1?

Why move a perfectly good rook? On e1 at least it has something to do—it may even get itself exchanged for Black's rook—which, given the fact that White has virtually no space, would improve White's position.

24...e5 25.Kh1 Re8 26.Qc2 Re2 27.Nd3 Bc4 28.Re1

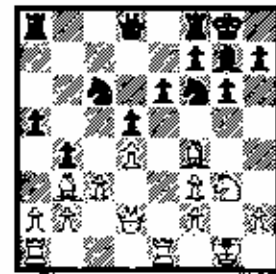
The rook should never have left here, but why not play instead Nf2, forcing Black to find a plan in time pressure?

28...Rxa2 29.Re8+ Kg7 30.Nc1 Rb2 31.Rd1 b5

The position is hardly more lost than it has been for the last 7 moves, but Splinter no longer wants to look at it. 0-1

Mark Robledo, Jr. (1800)—  
Jim Oberweis (1950)  
St. Charles vs. FVNC, 1997  
Board 10 [B10]  
Notes by John Tomas

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 e6 4.Bc4 b5 5.Bb3 b4 6.Ncc2 d5 7.exd5 exd5 8.Nf3 a5 9.c3 Nf6 10.0-0 0-0 11.Bf4 Ne6 12.Ng3 Bg4 13.Re1 e6 14.Qd2 Bxf3 15.gxf3



How does a very good, even winning position get lost move by move when the superior player forgets what he or she is supposed to be doing? Case in point: M. Robledo, Jr.—Jim Oberweis from Board 10 of the same match. White's position is on the verge of being lost. But Black has to watch out. First, he has to realize what the point of his strategy is. In true hypermodern fashion, he has advanced his queenside pawns and fianchettoed his king bishop. The point, however, of hypermodern play is to weaken and eventually occupy the center—Black wants to eliminate White's d-pawn. When that falls, Black's fianchettoed bishop will rule the board and White will have no base for his attack.

15...Qb6

Not bad, but slightly off the rails at this point: he could simply play ...a4! and a3!

16.h4 a4 17.Bc2 b3? But this is bad! 17...a3 eliminates all the props for White's center and wins the game in a very few moves.

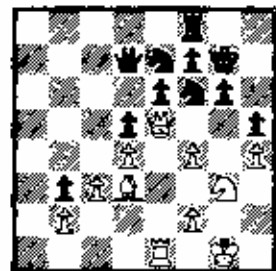
18.axb3 axb3 19.Bd3

Now, White's center is safe and Black suddenly realizes that there are threats on the other side of the board. But his position gets gradually less comfortable move by move.

19...h5 20.Bh6 Kh7 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Qg5 Rxa1 23.Rxa1 Qb7

Hoping to exchange the final pair of rooks and somehow survive. But White will have none of it.

24.f4 Ne7 25.Re1 Qd7 26.Qe5 Nc6?



A mistake, but nothing saves the game at this point. He should play 26...Neg8 forcing White to realize that the same combination works: 27.Nxh5+ gxh5 28.Re3! and Black cannot prevent checkmate.

27.Nxh5+! gxh5 28.Qg5+ Kh8 29.Qxf6+ Kg8 30.Qg5+ 1-0

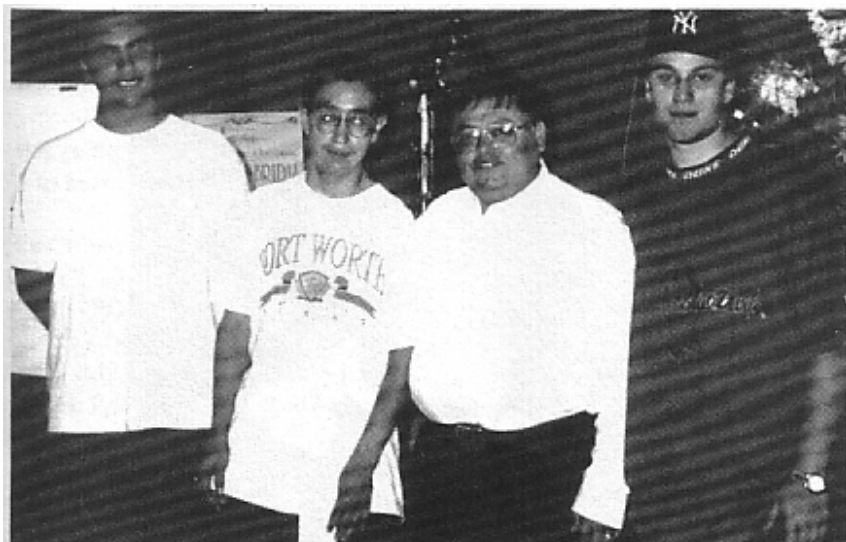


# 1997 Midway AMATEUR CLASS CHAMPIONSHIPS

by JOSH FLORES

(PICTURES by DENISE HERNANDEZ)

The third edition of the Midway Amateur Class Championships attracted many types of players. Those who were once master rated played in the Expert Section, ex-experts in the A-section, and so on. This is thanks to the USCF lowering the rating floors another 100 points. But nevertheless, chess fun was had by all



Above: Hector Hernandez with his three Musketeers: Fernando Montoya, Miguel Camargo (Class D & Below Champion), and Fabian Ramos

The tournament returned to its home at the Oak Lawn Hilton. This site is going to serve as the location for this year's Illinois Class Championship, the weekend before Thanksgiving, with an increased prize fund of \$4000! A better site would be hard to find. The hotel is luxurious and conveniently located for drivers and public transportation users and with plenty of parking!

143 competitors gathered for a share of the \$3500 guaranteed prize fund. This year's edition featured some changes. Larger prize fund, but with three prizes per section instead of four, a five round format, merchandise prizes for unrated players, and Vince Berry as assistant Chief Tournament Director. My thanks goes out to Vince for the fine effort he and Cindy Misiak put forth to help make this tournament fun for all! Vince and Cindy are the Founders of the Windy City Chess Association and they offered CASH and merchandise as prizes for

the different categories. For a recap of this - please check out the Club News section in this issue.

Hector Hernandez promises more changes next year - starting with increasing the prize fund for the fourth time in a row! There are other ideas in the works, and knowing Mr. Hernandez, all of them are just going to make next year's event the Chicago Summer Event to play!

Once again, we received more than half of the players at the door. This caused a slight delay in the start of the tournament, but this proved to be minor for everyone. They were all there to play and win. And play and win they tried but, unfortunately, there can only be one winner for each game. Some had to accept their loss and try again the following round. As a matter of curiosity, there was only ONE perfect scorer in this tournament! Miguel Camargo, a Hector Hernandez protégé, went undefeated with 5-0 in the D, E, Unrated section. He was closely followed by John Wray 4.5-0.5 (another Junior!) who never had the chance to try to stop Miguel's streak. Third place was a six way tie with each one scoring 4-1. They were Ben Chu-Kung, Tim Ailes, Matt Pullin, Dennis Seibel, Winston Huang, and Edward Howells.



Above: 2<sup>nd</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Class B Place winners - Mark Robledo Jr., Mehmed Covic, and Xi Ming Chen

I managed to save some games and pulled out some samples of the winners' handiwork. Here is a one from Miguel against one member of the Chicago City Championship Team - Whitney Young.

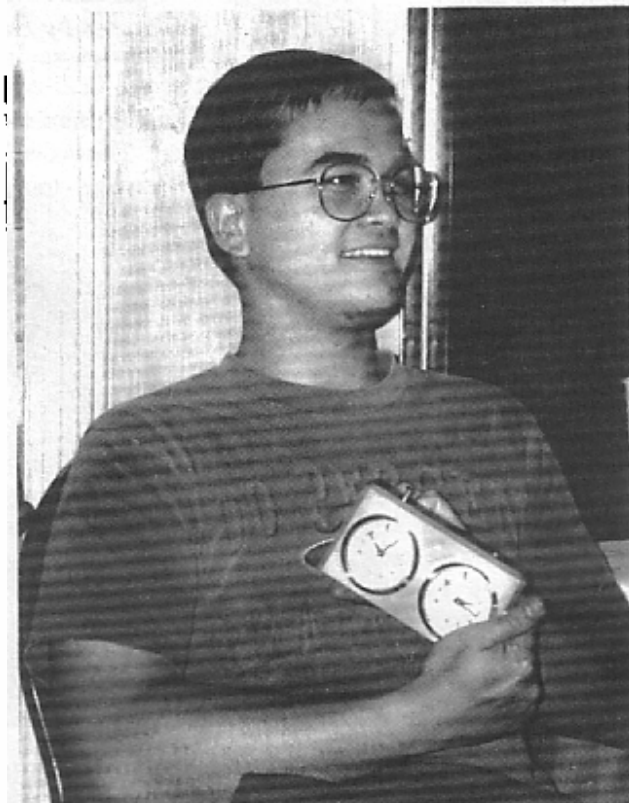
Wong, Chun Yu (1229) - Camargo, Miguel (1376) Round 3

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nf6 3. Nc3 Nc6 4. Bc4 Bb4 5. d3 d6 6. h3 Bc6 7. Bxe6 fxe6 8. o-o o-o 9. Ne2 Nh5 10. c3 Bc5 11. Ng5 Qf6 12. Nf3 Qg6 13. Kh1 h6 14. a4 Rf8 15. b4 Qf7 16. Ng3 Nxe3 17. fxe3 Nxb4 18. cxb4 Bxb4 19. Rb1 Bc5 20. Rxb7 Rf8 21. Re1 Bf2 22. Rf1 Bxe3 23. Be3 Qh5 24. Rc7 g5 25. Rcl g4 26. Ng1 Rxf1 27. Qxf1 Rxf1 28. Rxf1gxh3 29. Nxh3 Qh4 30. Bxa7 Bf4 31. Bf2 Qd8 32. Nf4 cxf4 33. Ra1 d5 34. exd5 Qxd5 35. Ra3 f3 36. gxf3 Qxf3 37. Kg1 e5 38. Ra2 Qxd3 39. a5 Qb7 White resigned

There were many things happening in this tournament, but a director's job is to make sure the impact to the players is minimal, barring a few exceptions which was beyond anyone's control, I believe Vince and I were able to do just that. At least judging from the Class C Champion - Steve Albert stellar performance 4.5 - 0.5! He left Brad Goral scratching his head, trying to figure out where he went wrong in the last round. Brad went into the round with a perfect 4-0 and left with a slightly imperfect 4-1! Instead of taking \$400 he had to settle with a split of 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> with Martin Szafran (another Whitney Young Team member!), who went undefeated but had 2 draws to garner his 4-1 record, of \$150 each. A costly loss of a point, Brad.

I found a couple of Steve's games which he seems to have promptly dispatched his opponent with some ease:

Below: 1<sup>st</sup> Place Unrated Michael Kopinski showing off his Prize.



Below: Youth versus Experience. 8 year old Tony Rodriguez Jr. Squares off against ageless Pete Rodriguez (no relation).



Steve Albert - Bruce Gilruth Round 1

1. c4 Nf6 2. Nc3 g6 3. g3 Bg7 4. Bg2 d6 5. Nf3 o-o 6. o-o e5 7. d3 c6 8. B4 e4 9. Ne1 Bf5 10. Bb2 e3 11. pxp Ng4 12. Nc2 Bh6 13. e4 Be3 14. Kh1 Nf2+ 15. Rxf2 Bxf2 16. pxB Nd7 17. e6 Qg5 18. Ne4. Black Resigns

Carl Reid - Steve Albert Round 2

1. d4 d5 2. Nf3 Nf6 3. e3 e6 4. Bd3 c5 5. c3 c4 6. Bc2 Be7 7. N1d2 o-o 8. o-o h6 9. e4 pxp 10. NxpxN 11. BxN Nd7 12. Re1 Nf6 13. Bc2 b5 14. Ne5 Bb7 15. Re3 Qd5 16. Rg3 Kh8 17. f3 Rad8 18. Bg6 QxN 19. Qc2 Qe1++

There were many ages and races represented at the Midway Amateur. There were all kinds mixing it up over the board. Of course, we had our share of Phillipinos. At least three members of the Midwest Amateur Team Championship Team - Pins of Chicago played. Chris Digamo showed some of his stuff that help his team win the title! He went 4.5 - 0.5 in Class B, drawing only Mark Robledo Jr - a promising 16 year old from Elgin. Mark recently beat Illinois Denker representative Miguel Santana during the qualifying round robin. Chris, nor his opponents, saw it fit enough to hand in their games so we can share them here. Mark tied for 2<sup>nd</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> with Xi Ming Chen and Mehmed Covic.

Since the tournament was being (and), I expected to see many disappointed. Mike Cronin used Lawn Chess Club on 63<sup>rd</sup> Street I remember having played Mike and now Mike came up strong 0.5. Dan Modes (a winner of a Robot (sorry Robby... couldn't scrape up 4-1 and to tie and take three South Chicago youths. I They were having tons of fun, chess and what Robby is doing

In this game, Mike manages to able to beat ... but I will...

**Mike Cronin - William Cox**  
 1. c4 g6 2. g3 Bg7 3. Bg2 c5 4. Nxd5 8. Qb3 Nxc3 9. dc o-o 10. Rad1 Rb8 14. Qa4 b5 15. Qa3 c4 Bf5 19. Rd2 h6 20. Rfd1 Rfe8 Rxa8 24. Rd8+ Rxd8 25. Rxd8- White Resigns

Up to now, the tournament has each section. But the smallest pattern. Geoffrey Caveney and and 2<sup>nd</sup> with 4 - 1 scores. going into the last round. Caveney entered the tournament Bossaers in round 3 and beat to topple Marshall. And topple when he was a full point behind!

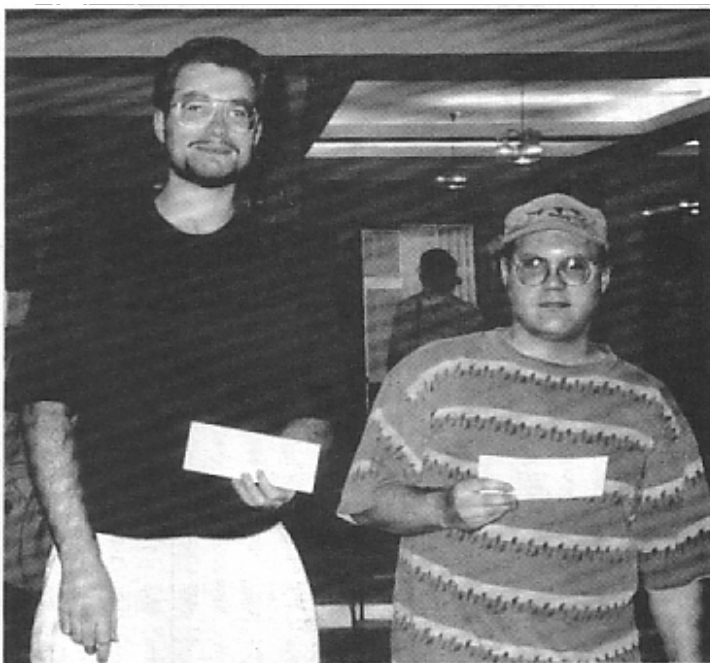
Marshall recently took two scalps elsewhere in this issue) and seem games show what he has going

**James Marshall - Bert Gazman**  
 1. d4 g6 2. c4 Bg7 3. Nc3 Nc6 4. B ed cd 9. Nb5 Qb6 5 10. c5 Qd8 Bxf6 14. Qf3 Kg7 15. Nh3 16. Bh6+ Kg8 17. Ne8 Be7 18

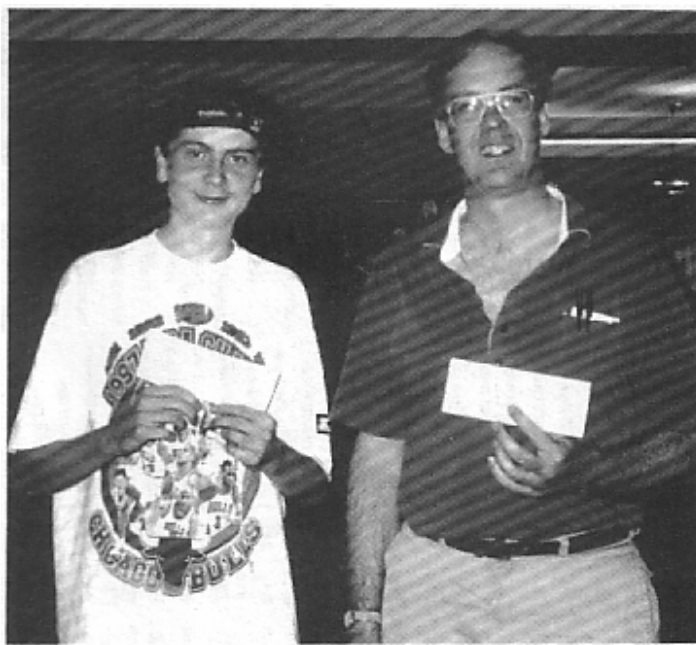
**James Fagan - James Marshall**  
 1. d4 Nf5 2. c4 e6 3. Nf3 d5 4. B. Rc1 h6 9. Bb4 Qb6 10. Bf6 o o-o 14. Bb1 Rfd8 15. a3 Na5 Ke7 19. Ne5 Rh8 20. Qd3 Bb5

I couldn't find any games for Caveney, but I am sure they also have some interesting points in them.

On the behalf of Hector Hernandez and Midway Chess Enterprises, I would like to thank each and everyone who has played in one of the editions of this tournament! Special thanks goes to all who played this year. . you helped make this event a success which ensures it will become a staple in Illinois' summer chess calendar!



**Above: Expert Winners: Caveney and Marshall  
 Below: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Class C Winners  
 Martin Szefran and Brad Goral**



held on the Southside of Chicago players from that area. I wasn't to play frequently at the old Chicago right off of Kedzie Avenue in the 80's. many an interesting game back then in the A class to take first with 4 5 - Windy City prizes!) and Robby - the help myself!) Singer managed to 2-3 places. Robby brought with him had an opportunity to talk to them and had nothing but good to say about for them. Good job Robby!

knock off someone I never have been

**Round 3**  
 Nc3 Nc6 5. Nf3 Nf6 6. o-o d5 7. cd Bf4 c5 11. Bg4 Qc7 12. Be3 Nd8 13. 16. Qxa7 Ne6 17. Qxc7 Nxc7 18. a3 21. Nh4 Be6 22. Ba7 Ra8 23. Bxa8 Kh7 26. Nf3 Bf6 27. Rd1 Kg7 28. Bb8

been producing one clear winner in section with 18 players breaks the James Marshall both tied and took 1<sup>st</sup> Marshall was the only perfect scorer

with a half-point bye drew Phil Cadmin and Smythe to get the chance he did. He beat James to tie for 1<sup>st</sup>

in the Master Challenge (see article to be in rare form. The following for him:

**Round 3**  
 d5 Nd4 5. g4 c5 6. e3 Qa5 7. Bd2 e5 11. Nd6+ Kf8 12. g5 f5 13. gf e.p. Nh6?? d6 Qe8 19. Bc4+ Black resigns.

**Round 4**  
 Nc3 c6 5. cd cd 6. Bg5 Be7 7. e3 Nc6 Bf6 11. Qd2 Bd7 12. Bd3 Rac8 13. o-16. Qd3 Qb2 17. Qh7 Kf8 18. Na2 White resigns.

1997 Midway Amateur Class

JULY 12-13, 1997		EXPERT SECTION		CLASS A		CLASS B		CLASS C	
Rank	Name	W15	W16	W17	W18	W19	W20	W21	W22
1	CAWLEY, Geoffrey	2138	H	W15	D3	W19	W12		
2	MARSHALL, James	2120	W4	W19	W17	W18	L1		
3	BOUSSAERS, Phil	2055	H	W15	D1	W17	D4		
4	KARKLINS, Erik	2124	W18	L1	W17	D5	D3		
5	BROCK, Bill	2060	D13	W10	D4	D4	D8		
6	WAGNER, Steven	2040	L2	D4	W15	W10	D6		
7	ISAMFERN, Ehteliani	2115	W18	W17	L2	D	D6		
8	FAGAN, James	2121	W17	W4	D5	L2			
9	CAJMAN, Caleb	2085	W14	L2	W18	L1	D7		
10	JORDAN, Roland	2085	D15	L1	W11	L8	W12		
11	COMER, Larry	2010	L8	W19	L10	D13	W17		
12	SAX, Robert	2090	W17	L7	L4	W14	L10		
13	BAXTER, Kelly-Ann	2047	D1	H	H	D11			
14	STRACOFF, Joe	2008	L9	D4	D17	L2	D15		
15	SMYTHE, Bill	1978	D16	L1	L1	D10	D14		
16	POYER, Jay	2023	L7	W17	L8				
17	MICHEP, Michael	1877	L7	L6	D14	D15	L1		
18	WARREN, Jim	2067	L4	L1	L1				

JULY 12-13, 1997		Midway Amateur Class		CLASS C				
Rank	Name	W15	W16	W17	W18			
1	ALBERT, Steven	1483	W27	W15	D5	W10	W12	4.0
2	CORAL, Eric	1500	W31	W11	W15	W18	L1	4
3	SLABBAR, Mark	1528	D8	W29	D21	W13	W12	4
4	LEWANDOWSKI, Steven	1551	W25	D27	W14	D5	D8	3.5
5	SPRINGER, Vincent	1536	W28	W19	D1	H	L8	3.5
6	UPFRET, Hugh	1560	W27	W14	D1	W21	D4	3.5
7	PAZ, Lita Rudy	1520	L13	W28	W24	H	W14	3.0
8	HUANG, Kenner	1467	W28	W17	W13	L2	D5	3.0
9	JOSEPH, Matthew	1483	D3	W20	L4	W18	W15	3.0
10	FAMBRIO, Paul	1527	W12	W14	L8	L1	W19	3
11	WEEK, Gregory	1486	W14	L2	L15	W25	W17	3
12	VILKUSIS, Craig	1424	L10	W19	D	W17	L3	3
13	KANG, Hui-Ke	1398	W17	W19	W29	L3	W22	3
14	STALLS, Carl	1471	W30	L10	H	K	L7	2.5
15	REDFORD, S	1426	W23	L1	W17	D18	L9	2.5
16	HICKMAN, Jonathan	1254	L17	D	D28	L9	W28	2.5

JULY 12-13, 1997		CLASS D						
Rank	Name	W15	W16					
1	CAMARGO, Miguel	1079	W23	W19	W18	W17	W14	5
2	WRAY, John	1230	W40	W20	W33	W19	D8	4.5
3	CHUMBO, Ben	1392	W36	W1	W17	L4	W18	4
4	WILES, Tim	1258	W16	W27	W26	W13	L1	4
5	DELUK, Matt	1162	W15	L3	W21	W16	W12	4
6	SEIDF, Thomas	1168	W31	W13	D16	W25	D2	4
7	HUANG, William	1152	L33	W45	W19	W17	W13	4
8	HOFME, S. Christel	1044	W10	L18	W15	W24	W22	4
9	PUBLIC, Andrew	1294	W37	W19	D9	L2	W27	3.5

JULY 12-13, 1997		CLASS A						
Rank	Name	W15	W16					
1	CRONIN, Mike	1905	W18	W14	W19	D3	4.0	
2	MILES, Dan	1926	D13	D7	W11	W16	W18	4
3	SWAGER, Bobby R	1927	W17	D11	W18	W19	D1	4
4	SHARPE, Edward	1831	D15	D12	H	W18	W10	3.5
5	MARQUEZ, Anthony	1883	D4	W16	W13	L1	D8	3
6	CIALONI, Joe	1816	L14	W17	W19	L2	W15	3
7	MORROW, Robert	1949	D19	D2	W14	L8	W11	3
8	COHEN, Howard	1871	D16	W15	L3	W17	L2	2.5
9	COX, Walter	1860	W28	W16	L1	L7	D5	2.5
10	SANTAFES, Teodoro	1943	L18	L5	W12	W13	L4	2.5
11	HART, Vincent	1772	W10	D2	L2	W17	L7	2.5
12	BORRERO, Mark Sr	1862	L11	D4	L10	B	D13	2
13	IRWIN, Ben	1780	D1	W19	L5	L10	D12	2
14	K. Jim John	1835	W16	L1	L7	L15	W17	2
15	JAMUS, Chris	1837	L16	L8	W20	W14	L6	2
16	WAST, Bryan	1862	W15	L9	H	L4		1.5
17	GENZIE, Chuck	1772	L3	L5	B	L11	L4	
18	A. SON, Roger	1737	L1	W20	L8			
19	BUTTING, William	1939	D7	L15				
20	K. Tim Tom	1947	L16	L16	L15			

JULY 12-13, 1997		CLASS B						
Rank	Name	W15	W16					
1	HODGSON, Richard	1507	W28	L8	W18	L17	L11	4
2	DAJANI, William	1595	L18	W11	H	D15		4
3	SMITH, Fran	1444	W18	L15	L17	W28	L10	4
4	BENEF, Frank	1416	D28	L9	L26	H	W24	3
5	HUNTER, Bob	1476	H	D4	D3	L6		3
6	GILBERT, Bruce	1378	L1	L24	W27	L1	L15	1.5
7	HUANG, Peter	1664	L15	W27	D3	L1		1
8	BRANCO, Steve	1464	L17	W32	L7	L10		1
9	CARDUCCI, Michael	1444	L14	D28	L16	L11		1
10	MACHUGA, Frank	1437	L5	L7	W20	L17	L16	1
11	MACRAC, Michael	1420	L8	L23	L22	W28		1
12	WHITE, David	1508	L8	D28				0.5
13	WARREN, Robert	1500	D28	L3				0.5
14	DAVIS, John	1598	L14	L12				0
15	SHOULSON, Tom	1495	L2	L16				0

JULY 12-13, 1997		CLASS C						
Rank	Name	W15	W16					
16	FINDER, James	1258	L15	W37	W19	W28	D11	3.5
17	SCHIMMEL, John	1216	K	L12	W28	D10	D5	3.5
18	RAMOS, Fabian	1365	W44	W25	W11	L1	L5	3
19	W. S. Miguel	1330	W24	L	W18	W16	L7	3
20	WISNAR, Michael	1760	L29	W30	W42	L3	W28	3
21	LETT, Kevin Ross	1761	L41	W29	L2	W42	W20	3
22	CHILDS, Walter	1259	W26	W18	L1	W33	L3	3
23	WHELAN, John	1215	W36	W39	L3	L7	W27	3
24	MULHOLLAND, Mike	1212	W42	L1	W15	L13	W12	3
25	RODRIGUEZ, Jose	1117	W40	L9	L10	W38	W25	3
26	ZEPEDA, Robert	1083	W25	L2	L5	W35	W26	3
27	PARK, William	1292	L28	W12	W19	D21	L9	2.5
28	GAROLY, Luis	1155	W37	L12	W17	D21	L8	2.5
29	MORGANTI, Tony	1150	L1	L42	L	W31	W20	2.5

JULY 12-13, 1997		Midway Amateur Class		CLASS B				
Rank	Name	W15	W16	W17	W18			
1	DIAMOND, Eric Sr	1964	W24	W28	W16	W17	D2	4.5
2	ROBLEDO, Mark Jr	1788	W19	D21	W19	W17	D1	4
3	CHEN, Ming	1700	W28	W17	W18	L1	W12	4
4	COVIC, Michael	1881	L18	W19	W28	W18	W18	4
5	MATTS, Bradley	178	H	D15	W28	D16	W10	3.5
6	PARKLEY, Mark S	1707	L27	W28	D22	W12	W14	3.5
7	BAUMGARTNER, Chris	1736	W28	D18	W21	L2	D11	3
8	JOHNSON, Eric	1681	W22	W12	L3	W18	L4	3
9	WANKLEY, Ralph	1687	L12	W22	L14	W18	W15	3
10	US, John Robert	1667	D14	W29	W20	D5	L3	3
11	DELA, Joe	1949	W23	L3	D15	W18	D7	3
12	ISRA, ALEXANDER	1928	W13	L8	W15	L8	W18	3
13	Wright, Danny	1708	L17	W28	D11	W22	L5	2.5
14	MIRABA, Bob	1774	D10	D17	W18	L8	L6	2
15	ELLICE, Wayne	1700	D17	D5	L12	W25	L9	2
16	DE HASTRICH, John	1888	W18	W28	L1	L4	L12	2
17	SIMS, Benjamin	1905	D15	D14	D7	W20		2
18	HUANG, Vincent	1501	L16	L4	W24	L8	W25	2
19	CHEN, Aaron	1849	W18	D7	L2	L11	D20	1.5
20	GRACIA, Andrew	1679	W25	L1	L10	L17	D19	1.5
21	WANG, RUD, David	1636	W18	D2	L7			1.5
22	RIDDE, Robert	1450	L8	D	D4	L13		1.5
23	HART, Dan	1724	L1	L10	W17			1
24	CANT, Thomas	1700	L1	L28	L8	B		1
25	CHANG, David	1954	L20	L6	W28	L15	L18	1
26	SUN, S. David W	1681	L7	W24				1
27	TURK, Robert	1515	L1	W24	L			1
28	LEUNG, Daniel	1408	B	L18	L4			1
29	SHOCK, TV, Robert	1585	L3	L15	L28			0

JULY 12-13, 1997		Midway Amateur Class		CLASS C				
Rank	Name	W15	W16	W17	W18			
30	MONTANA, Fernando	1367	L27	L28	W40	L8	W38	2
31	RODRIGUEZ, Paul	1214	D2	W38	W27	L8	L19	2
32	MUMFALL, Steven	1211	W35	L33	W41	L13	L10	2
33	ALLEN, Ben	1722	W24	L4	L25	W32	L17	2
34	GRALL, WSK, Robert	1677	W27	W24	L4	D11	L15	2
35	SUN, Steven	1625	L16	L15	W14	W38	L14	2
36	LEVY, Allen	806	L7	L21	W44	K	L19	2
37	KOPF, Michael	1167	L1	W34	L22	L23	W45	2
38	SWENSON, Nils	122	W44	L17	L27	W38		2
39	POWERS, Douglas	1077	W20	L2	L16	L15		2
40	SPEER, Eric	1000	L15	L17	L28	W45	D25	1.5

JULY 12-13, 1997		CLASS D						
Rank	Name	W15	W16					
41	KARIMAH	949	W15	L1	L28			
42	MAY, LUC	138	W2	L14	L15			
43	SAWYER, Tom	125	L36	L37	W40			
44	LEUVAS, William	1106	L12	L30	L36			0
45	DELA, Trefin	224	L10	L7	L38	L34		0

L. Cohen (2013)-E. Sedlock (1922)	
St. Charles vs FVNC G180 6/16/97	
Board 6 [E61]	
1	1 e4 e5 2 g3 Nxb3 Bpe2 Nf3-e4
2	3 e5 Nc3 g6 f6 Nge2 Hg7 7 d4 0-0
3	8 Nf3 Nc7 9 d5 Nf7 10 f4
4	11 g4 12 g5 13 Nc2 14 Nge2 Qx7
5	15 Nc2 16 f6 Racl Hg4 17 Nc4
6	18 Nc4 Bb7 19 e5 dxe5
7	20 fxe5 Nf5 21 e6 fxe6 22 Re4
8	23 Nf8 24 Nc6 Bxe6 24 dxe6 Qf6
9	25 Qe2 Re4 26 Nf5 Qx8 27 Qe4
10	28 e7 Qd6 29 Hb4 e5 30 Hb5
11	31 Bc7 Qe6 32 Qx6+ Qx6
12	33 Rxe6 Kf7 34 Rf6 Nc5
13	35 exd5 Re7 36 d6 Re7 37 Rb7
14	38 Rf6 Kc6 39 Rf6 Bxb2
15	40 Kf3 Bc5 41 Ke4 Kxd6 42 Bb5
16	43 Hh2 Rf3 44 B4 Re4
17	45 Kd1
18	Rf5+ 46 Ke3 Kf5 47 Bc3 e4
19	48 Ke2 Bc5 49 He1 e3 50 Re6
20	51 Re4 h5 52 Kd1 g5
21	53 Bxc3 Bxc3 54 Kxc3 g4
22	55 Kb4 Re3 56 hxe4 hxe4 57 d5
23	58 Re4 g2 59 Re4 Re4 = 0-1

JULY 12-13, 1997		CLASS D						
Rank	Name	W15	W16					
46	KUBANSON	1191	L3	W4	L13	L29	L37	1
47	FELIX, Kevin G	1085	L4	L10	W45	F		

# THE 1997 CHICAGO OPEN

OPEN SECTION

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Score	
1 KANDJANOV Gregory	2895	D30	W33	W81	W14	O 3	O 2	W 5	5.5
2 SHAHALOV Alexander	2824	W40	W23	W51	D12	O 7	O 1	W14	5.5
3 BROWNE Walter	2804	W32	W38	W47	W13	O 1	L 5	W10	5.5
4 ZLATKOV Radosl	2522	W68	L10	W19	W28	W35	O 7	W20	5.5
5 VERKOLINSKIY Alan	2889	L38	W52	W55	W47	W21	W 3	L 1	5
6 GULKO Boris	2884	W31	D16	W28	W 8	D12	D14	D 7	5
7 DE FIRMANN Nick E	2828	D24	W 9	W17	W10	O 2	D 4	D 6	5
8 FEDOROWICZ John P	2824	W37	X	D10	L 6	W33	D18	W21	5
9 KUDRIN Sergey	2814	H	L 7	W50	W18	D22	W23	W24	5
10 WOLFGEWICZ Adam	2888	W50	W 4	D 8	L 7	W28	W12	L 3	4.5
11 RAVICH Alexander	2883	W32	W22	L14	D28	L17	W33	W28	4.5
12 GUREVICH Dmitry	2826	W41	W27	W21	O 2	D 8	L10	D18	4.5
13 FRANKS Lev	2807	L47	W69	W36	L 3	W30	W22	D17	4.5
14 BLATNY Pavel	2804	W59	W35	W11	L 1	W24	D 8	L 2	4.5
15 BLOCKER Calvin	2485	D34	D18	W33	L24	W39	W46	D18	4.5
16 KALINSHTEYN Alexander	2482	W45	O 8	D20	D33	W28	D 8	O12	4.5
17 CHEBOKOVSKY Jacob	2389	W64	O88	L 7	W48	W11	D20	D13	4.5
18 BERECLOS Peter	2383	W87	L21	W45	L 9	W48	W36	O15	4.5
19 WHELETER Jerry T	2328	H	D15	L 4	W56	D47	W48	W38	4.5
20 BERBER Gregory	2828	W38	D28	D18	D22	W25	D17	L 4	4
21 ORTIZ Eduardo N	2480	W44	W18	L12	W46	L 5	W28	L 8	4
22 MANON Josh	2427	W48	L11	W42	D20	O 8	L13	W37	4
23 KARKLINS Andrew	2400	W36	L 2	L33	W34	W41	L 8	W46	4
24 BACZYNSKYJ Boris	2370	D 7	D37	W44	W15	L14	W35	L 8	4
25 BASE Atheda	2333	W88	H	H	H	L20	D45	W44	4
26 PASCHALL William	2405	W54	D20	L 8	W38	L18	W43	L11	3.5
27 CHOW Albert C	2482	W48	L12	W43	L35	L48	W39	D30	3.5
28 ADELMAN Charles D	2370	W57	L51	W48	L 4	D43	D34	D31	3.5
29 MARTINOVSKIY Eugene	2288	W85	D81	W59	D11	L10	L21	D34	3.5
30 SZPIBIAK Shawn J	2324	D 1	D48	L48	W42	L13	W53	D37	3.5
31 CASTANEDA Nelson	2321	L 8	L34	W54	L48	W55	W42	D28	3.5
32 LAURE Henry	2308	L11	L46	W85	L43	W58	D48	W45	3.5
33 KHAN Arna	2270	W88	L 1	W23	D18	L 8	L11	W48	3.5
34 DEAN Jim H	2228	D15	W31	L38	L23	W50	D28	D28	3.5
35 KREIMAN Boris	2807	W38	L14	W34	W27	L 4	L34	.	3
36 TATE Emory A	2488	W 5	L 3	L13	W32	W37	L18	L18	3
37 DAVIDDICE Steven	2327	L 8	D24	D48	W53	L38	W41	L22	3
38 WHEAT James Frank	2324	L35	W38	D48	L28	L45	W50	D43	3
39 BLAWENAU Mike P	2288	L20	L45	W64	W44	L15	L27	W54	3
40 RITWY Samirav	2284	L 2	D54	D37	D50	L48	D55	W58	3
41 PUCHETT Matthew	2284	L12	L48	W58	W57	L23	L37	W82	3
42 SANDAGER Stephen	2278	L58	W64	L22	L30	W87	L31	W53	3
43 SMITH Gary	2260	L81	W58	L27	W32	D28	L28	D38	3
44 JOHNSON Brian C	2228	L21	W87	L24	L38	W59	W52	L25	3
45 SALTER Mike	2224	L18	W38	L18	D54	W38	D25	L32	3
46 RALICH Vasek G	2218	L22	W32	W30	L21	W27	L15	L23	3
47 PALOS Orman	2418	W13	W80	L 3	L 5	D18	.	.	2.5
48 KAPTSAN Aron	2251	H	D30	L28	W31	L18	D32	L30	2.5
49 OLSON David L	2083	L27	W41	D38	L17	W40	L18	.	2.5
50 WAKMOUTH Tom	1821	L10	W70	L 8	D40	L34	L38	W58	2.5
51 BROWNE Walter	2804	W53	W28	L 2	.	.	.	.	2
52 MARRIAND Cesar J	2321	L 3	L 5	W88	L38	W54	L44	.	2
53 ZAREMBA Andrie	2278	L31	W85	L15	L37	W57	L30	L42	2
54 JAKSTAS Kazemera	2200	L28	D40	L31	D48	L52	W54	L38	2
55 BOOR Carl R	2094	L80	B	L 5	H	L31	D40	L41	2
56 FELTNER Cameron	2021	L14	L38	W87	L18	L32	W88	L40	2
57 ALVAREZ Tim A	1848	L28	H	H	L41	L53	W87	.	2
58 FLEET Eric	1488	L23	L43	L41	W64	L44	W65	L50	2
59 SEVILLANO Enrico	2985	W42	O17	L29	.	.	.	.	1.5
60 PALATNIK Samson	2981	W55	L47	H	.	.	.	.	1.5
61 TATE Emory A	2488	W43	D28	L 1	.	.	.	.	1.5
62 BERRY Vince Wm	2222	.	.	.	.	W85	.	.	1
63 BROCK William	2088	.	.	.	.	.	.	W87	1
64 GARBER William	1732	L17	L42	L38	L58	W68	L54	L85	1
65 BRAWLEY Matthew N	1681	L28	L33	L32	L87	L82	L58	W64	1
66 PEPLER Anthony W	1385	L25	L13	L32	B	L84	L58	.	1
67 KIM Jeffrey	L18	L18	L44	L58	W85	L42	L57	L83	1
68 VERKOLINSKIY Alan	2888	L 4	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
69 ZLATKOV Radosl	2522	L33	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
70 PORTER John	2013	.	L58	.	.	.	.	.	0

UNDER-2000 SECTION

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1 MILLS James A	2170	W46	W26	W58	W16	W32	D 4	D 3	6
2 KOO Oliver T	2112	W71	D 8	W22	D 3	W20	W32	W13	6
3 ASHTON Jeffrey	2017	W23	W 5	W57	D 2	W35	W17	D 1	6
4 YEE Lorne Y	2151	W61	W11	W14	D32	W38	D 1	D 5	5.5
5 ANDREWS Todd D	2136	W59	L 3	W90	W57	W29	W21	D 4	5.5
6 NAMBAR Vitek	2120	W55	W43	W31	L 1	W44	D13	W16	5.5
7 JAKUBOWSKI Maciej	2020	W83	L56	W25	W36	D14	W35	W17	5.5
8 CHAVIRA Wilmer	2188	W80	D 2	D15	W59	L17	W44	W23	5
9 LEVINE Viktor S	2136	W91	W41	D12	L17	D16	W45	W26	5
10 PREEFO Aliberts	2136	W75	W16	L32	L26	W80	W43	W24	5
11 HARTSOOK David P	2084	W84	L 4	D62	W29	W33	W37	D12	5
12 TRINKLE Gordon	2005	W68	W24	D 9	L36	W46	W36	D11	5
13 BAUNOK Zoltan	2168	D26	D29	W42	W51	W43	D 8	L 2	4.5
14 GOLDMAN Anthony	2125	W53	W50	L 4	W27	D 7	L16	W38	4.5
15 INUMERABLE Pizzen	2101	D66	W52	D 8	D34	L18	W48	W47	4.5
16 OSTLER Tony B	2074	W77	L10	D30	W56	D 9	D54	W37	4.5
17 WARE Ahmad	2051	W85	W87	D33	W 9	W 8	L 3	L 7	4.5
18 MALDY Mickey D	2044	D55	W74	W37	L21	W15	W14	L 6	4.5
19 SEFO Emir	2022	D74	W70	L35	W30	L37	W33	W34	4.5
20 DEAN Aaron	2002	L36	W81	W41	W31	L 2	D25	W35	4.5
21 SMITH Robert M	2184	W47	D37	D26	W18	W26	L 5	-	4
22 BAZE Linahs	2136	D82	D66	L 2	W46	W27	D38	H	4
23 PARHAM Bernhard	2131	L 3	L60	W71	W66	W47	W41	L 8	4
24 ELLIS James G	2117	W54	L12	L51	W61	W50	W20	L10	4
25 JORDAN Roland V	2104	L63	W81	L 7	W53	W51	D20	D30	4
26 CADMAN Chuck	2074	W30	L 1	W45	W10	L21	W36	L 9	4
27 WETZEL Robert H	2059	L32	W54	W65	L14	L22	W64	W45	4
28 MIDDLETON Douglas	2057	D13	W73	D21	W56	L 5	L24	W42	4
29 GOMEZ Augustin R	2000	W80	D13	L39	L11	D85	W48	W41	4
30 REDDELL Joshua S	1982	L26	W75	D16	L19	W52	W48	D25	4
31 BASHANSKI Milos	2188	D46	W63	L 6	L20	L45	W53	W50	3.5
32 BROOKS Jenn R	2189	W27	W38	W10	D 4	L 1	L 2	F15	3.5
33 KILBARDA Zoran	2140	W81	W42	D17	L36	L11	L18	W56	3.5
34 JONES James E	2136	L70	D49	W66	D15	W56	D16	L19	3.5
35 YOUNKER Larry	2128	D16	W46	W19	W12	L 3	L 7	L20	3.5
36 BENE SA Amurlo	2117	L45	W53	W50	L 7	W59	L28	D40	3.5
37 URQUHART Donald	2110	W44	D21	L18	W82	W19	L11	L16	3.5
38 KARIKINS Erik	2100	W70	L37	W55	L43	W84	D22	L14	3.5
39 MARREMA Devak B	2088	D66	W40	W29	W33	L 4	L12	-	3.5
40 WILLIAMS Lee V	2003	D88	L39	W74	L46	W62	D47	D36	3.5
41 CLARK Karl N	2074	W45	L 9	L20	W63	W58	L23	L28	3
42 ALDRICH Jeff R	2065	W78	L33	L13	L64	W61	W51	L29	3
43 HATER David A	2019	W36	L 8	W56	W38	L13	L10	-	3
44 PORTER John	2013	L37	B	W99	W47	L 8	L 8	-	3
45 RICHMOND M Barrie	1914	L41	B	L28	W54	W31	L 9	L27	3
46 YAMEZ Jorge	2067	D31	L35	W79	W40	L12	L30	-	2.5
47 HOLYFIELD Robert	2064	L21	W82	W63	L44	L23	D40	L15	2.5
48 THOMPSON Cedric A	2058	L1	L55	L53	X81	W63	L28	D62	2.5
49 ALBERRY Malvin	2052	L57	D34	W52	L22	W56	L15	-	2.5
50 HERBERT Steven M	2042	W79	L14	L36	W65	L24	D85	L31	2.5
51 DAMOCLES Job C	2040	L 8	W84	W24	L13	L25	L42	D54	2.5
52 PEDRAM Mehrdad	2031	D22	L15	L46	W71	L30	D62	D48	2.5
53 SAZ Robert D	2030	L14	L39	W48	L25	D54	L31	W64	2.5
54 NIKOLOWSKI Oskar	2023	L24	L27	D76	L45	D53	W71	D51	2.5
55 KARAMELOVSKI Oskar	2011	L 6	W49	L38	W69	L36	D50	F47	2.5
56 SHERNOFF Levin	2002	D36	L85	W81	L18	L46	W61	L33	2.5
57 GRAY Doherty	2155	W49	W70	L 3	L 5	-	-	-	2
58 NOLAND Shawn	2125	W82	W7	L 1	L26	L41	-	-	2
59 KAZDAN Charles	2085	L 5	W71	W70	L 8	L34	-	-	2
60 MC ELRATH Flannard	2058	L 6	W23	L 5	X70	L10	-	-	2
61 KIRZHNER Mikhail	2047	L 4	L20	W82	L24	L42	L56	W71	2
62 WANGEN Michael K	2007	H	D69	D11	L37	L40	D62	-	2
63 MARKOV Igor I	2003	W25	L31	L47	L41	L48	B	-	2
64 HOWELL Rodney	2000	L11	L51	B	W42	L36	L27	L53	2
65 MURPHY Pappu L M	2153	L17	W56	L27	L50	D29	-	-	1.5
66 CETERSKU Judith S	1831	D15	D22	L34	L23	H	-	-	1.5
67 ANDREWS Toqi D	2136	W78	L17	-	-	-	-	-	1
68 INUMERABLE Floren	2101	L12	W78	L43	-	-	-	-	1
69 HEYER Jon Pauli	2100	D40	D62	L44	L55	-	-	-	1
70 WASHINGTON Renato	2027	W34	L57	L59	F80	-	-	-	1
71 SMYTHE Billi	1864	L 2	L59	L23	L52	B	L54	L61	1
72 FINNEGAN David	1006	-	-	W84	-	-	-	-	1
73 RUDOLPH Roger R	2122	H	L26	L46	-	-	-	-	0.5
74 KOO Omer T	2112	D18	L16	L40	-	-	-	-	0.5
75 NAYLOR Samuel	2037	L10	L30	H	-	-	-	-	0.5
76 PEDRAM Mehrdad	2031	L67	L88	D54	-	-	-	-	0.5
77 BASHANSKI Milos	2196	L16	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
78 GRAY Doherty	2155	L42	L18	-	-	-	-	-	0
79 KILBARDA Zoran	2140	L60	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
80 YAMEZ Jorge	2067	L29	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
81 SCHNEIDER Chad A	2064	L33	L25	L58	F48	-	-	-	0
82 WASHINGTON Ronald	2027	L59	L47	L61	-	-	-	-	0
83 RICHMOND M Barrie	1914	L 7	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
84 SHUTTERS Bradley	-	-	-	-	L72	-	-	-	0



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Score

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
1 CHOW Albert C	2363	W17	W 6	W12	D 2																				
2 ADAMS Nick	2277	W13	W11	W 7	D 1																				
3 DANDRIDGE Marvin	2276	W19	L12	W18	W 8																				
4 ADOSTA Mariano	2200	D15	D10	W19	W 9																				
5 SLOAN Thomas J	2135	W14	L 7	W13	W11																				
6 LEE Tyrone	2087	W20	L 1	W14	W12																				
7 SOLLANO Ely O	1945	W22	W 5	L 2	W15																				
8 SZPISJAK Steven J	2319	W18	D 9	W15	L 3																				
9 ZINYTCM Miron	2123	W21	D 6	W10	L 4																				
10 WATTS Bradley S	1761	W24	D 4	L 9	W19																				
11 JOROAN Roland	2085	W18	L 2	W20	L 5																				
12 COHEN Lawrence	2013	W23	W 3	L 1	L 6																				
13 USISKIN Robert	1667	L 2	W16	L 5	W20																				
14 TADALAN Alfred	1487	L 5	W22	L 6	W21																				
15 SMYTHE Bill	1879	D 4	W17	L 8	L 7																				
16 JOHNSON Thomas J	1286	L11	L13	W24	D23																				
17 BACKSTROM Om	1737	L 1	L15	W23	-																				
18 BAUMGARTNER Chris	1720	L 8	W21	L 3	-																				
18 GRAWOIG David	1664	L 3	W23	L 4	L10																				
20 WITTEK Gregory	1488	L 6	W24	L11	L13																				
21 MC AULEY Kevin	L 9	L18	W22	L14																					
22 LAUGER Lloyd	1084	L 7	L14	L21	W24																				
23 LIPTRAP James	1267	L12	L19	L17	D16																				
24 SMITH Wm	845	L10	L20	L16	L22																				

July 26-27, 1997 Chicago Chess Club Summer Open

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
1 KORNFELD Allen	2307	W11	W 7	W 2	D 6	D 3																			
2 MARSHALL James	2120	W13	W 9	L 1	W 8	W10																			
3 SZPISJAK Steve	2319	W24	D 6	H	W14	D 1																			
4 ZINYTCM Miron	2123	D12	W21	D14	W 9	D 6																			
5 FAGAN James	2104	W15	D14	D 6	H	W11																			
6 WAGNER Steven	2040	W18	D 3	W12	D 1	D 4																			
7 COHEN Lawrence	2013	W20	L 1	W21	L10	W14																			
8 KAMBER George	1976	W22	D19	D 5	L 2	W15																			
9 HENDERSON Harold	1870	W17	L 2	W18	L 4	W16																			
10 WATTS Brad	1781	L19	W22	W13	W 7	L 2																			
11 HRON Ben	1789	L 1	W17	H	W12	L 5																			
12 HAYES Wm	1759	D 4	W24	L 6	L11	W20																			
13 SMYTHE Bill	1878	L 2	W20	L10	H	D18																			
14 MAEROWITZ Eran	1848	W18	D 5	D 4	L 3	L 7																			
15 MACHAJ Blair	1738	L 5	L 18	W23	W17	L 8																			
16 HALE Bob Lloyd	1667	L 6	D23	H	W21	L 9																			
17 WITTEK Greg	1488	L 9	L11	W22	L15	W21																			
18 AKHMETOV Armen	1411	L14	W15	L 9	D23	D13																			
19 BLACKSTONE John	2225	W10	D 8	-	-	-																			
20 JANUS Chris	1637	L 7	L13	H	W22	L12																			
21 MARKOVIC Arndel	1848	W23	L 4	L 7	L16	L17																			
22 STIDD Sean	1582	L 8	L10	L17	L20	W23																			
23 ALLES Tim	1258	L21	D16	L16	D18	L22																			
24 KLEM Thomas J	1841	L 3	L12	-	-	-																			

19-Jul-97 Fox Valley Nationals Open

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
1 BACHLER Kevin	2142	W12	W 5	W 3	W 2															
2 TUBIC Bob	2138	W13	W 9	W 4	L 1															
3 RUSSETT John	1871	W16	W14	L 1	W 9															
4 WATTS Bradley	1761	W17	W10	L 2	W11															
5 MACHAJ Blair	1738	W20	L 1	W14	W 8															
6 HUBBARD Andrew	1413	D 8	L 7	W16	W13															
7 COHEN Lawrence	2013	H	W 6	L 8	H															
8 CONDRON James	2002	D 6	D11	W 7	L 5															
9 SIMS Lawrence	1606	W18	L 2	W12	L 3															
10 WACHTER Tom	1536	W15	L 4	L13	W16															
11 PADILLA Rudy	1500	H	D 8	W15	L 4															
12 CHEN Aaron	1448	L 1	W20	L 8	W19															
13 MCKLICH Frank	1437	L 2	W18	W10	L 8															
14 RIDDLE Robert	1450	W19	L 3	L 5	D15															
15 SRINIVASAN Dayu	963	L10	W17	L11	D14															
16 HUBBARD Dave	1404	L 3	L19	W18	L10															
17 WRZOSEK Bob	1212	L 4	L15	W20	-															
18 GORSKI Patrick	1006	L 9	L13	L16	W20															
19 PASIEKA Brian	L14	W16	L 6	L12																
20 LAUGER Lloyd	1094	L 5	L12	L17	L18															

8-Jun-97 Emerald Gameword UNDER-1600

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
1 MATHEW Joseph	1504	W16	H	W 5	W 3												
2 CHEN Aaron	1448	W11	D 5	W12	W 6												
3 VIEREGG Craig	1480	W10	W 8	W 4	L 1												
4 BIRKELAND Roger	1375	W 6	W13	L 3	W 8												
5 SCANTLEN Anthony	1523	W 9	D 2	L 1	W13												
6 SINGURA Thomas	1546	L 4	W10	W14	L 2												

Master Challenge		Fox Valley Naperville Open	
1	PALOS Oeman	2455 W42	W8 D12 W7 W6 4.5
2	CHOW Albert C	2393 W19	W29 W25 D3 W11 4.5
3	BASE Alfredo B	2300 W58	W9 W27 D2 W10 4.5
4	MANION Josh	2440 W20	W28 L7 W31 W19 4
5	KRAMER Charles W	9325 W43	W30 W45 L8 W21 4
6	ACOSTA Marino A	2200 W22	W34 W47 W5 L1 4
7	MARSHALL James A	2120 W21	W18 W4 L1 W22 4
8	GAZMEN Ethelbert	2115 W44	L1 W39 W25 W19 4
9	MACHAJ Blair L	1738 W69	L3 W56 W27 W28 4
10	SZPISJAK Steven J	2319 D14	W23 W58 W12 L3 3.5
11	FAIRBAIN Steven	2143 D15	W43 W16 W14 L2 3.5
12	BACHLER Kevin L	2142 W71	W59 D1 L10 W32 3.5
13	AARON Michael R	2048 D34	W15 W39 L18 W40 3.5
14	SADAUSKAS Jueth	1888 D10	W33 W17 L11 W36 3.5
15	HAYES Will	1757 D11	L13 W51 W37 W41 3.5
16	WALKER Barry Wood	1638 D17	W51 L11 W56 W28 3.5
17	THOMAS Matthew	1355 D16	W55 L14 W34 W30 3.5
18	SEVILLANO Enrico	2566 W70	L7 W24 W13 L6 3
19	ROBLEDO Mark Sr	1952 L2	W26 W46 W23 L4 3
20	OBERWEIS James D Sr	1947 L4	W54 L41 W62 W45 3
21	ROBLEDO Mark Jr	1768 L7	W40 W62 W47 L5 3
22	WATTS Bradley S	1781 L6	W41 W63 W45 L7 3
23	OBERWEIS Jake	1645 W60	L10 W53 L19 W47 3
24	STEVENS Joseph M	1600 L56	W65 L18 W65 W53 3
25	GORAL Bradley D	1590 W62	W53 L2 L8 W42 3
26	WACHTER Tom W	1538 W64	L19 L28 W52 W43 3
27	WITEK Gregory A	1498 W65	W71 L3 L9 W44 3
28	SPLINTER Joseph C	2108 W31	L4 W26 H L9 2.5
29	SAX Robert D	2088 W33	L2 W54 D32 L16 2.5
30	GIERTZ Charles E	1772 W68	L5 W48 D40 L17 2.5
31	ALLISON Roger D	1737 L28	W57 W49 L4 D36 2.5
32	BAUMGARTNER Chris	1720 L46	W50 W65 D29 L12 2.5
33	ENGELLEN Mark	1704 L29	L14 H W49 W50 2.5
34	USISKIN Rob	1667 D13	L6 W50 L17 W54 2.5
35	HUANG Vincent Tsang	1591 H	- L56 X66 W56 2.5
36	SCANTLEN Anthony	1523 H	L39 L37 W87 X65 2.5
37	HUANG Kenneth	1452 H	- W36 L15 W59 2.5
38	RIDDLE Robert	1450 H	D49 L8 W51 D31 2.5
39	VIAREGG Craig	1434 D68	W36 L13 W55 L14 2.5
40	STAPLES Carl	1371 W52	L21 W58 D30 L13 2.5

41	LEUNG Daniel Y	1366 W67	L22 W20 H L15 2.5
42	COHEN Lawrence S	2013 L1	H W61 L25 2
43	SAJKOWSKI Daniel	1914 L5	L11 W66 W49 L26 2
44	WONG Brian	1796 L6	L47 W64 W63 L27 2
45	SPRINGER Vince M	1538 W63	X70 L5 L22 L20 2
46	CHEN Aaron	1448 W32	L58 L19 L53 W64 2
47	LOBRACO Michael J	1420 W74	W44 L6 L21 L23 2
48	AILES Tim S	1258 L54	W52 L30 L43 W65 2
49	PARK William	1230 D65	D38 L31 L33 W62 2
50	HUANG Winston	1150 W73	L32 L34 W59 L33 2
51	HIERONYMUS April	984 W75	L16 L15 L38 W67 2
52	TUZEL Armand	848 L40	L48 B L26 W63 2
53	BARTH John	B	L25 L23 W46 L24 2
54	PADILLA Rudy R	1500 W48	L20 L28 H L34 1.5
55	SINGURA Thomas J	1480 D49	L17 W35 L39 F36 1.5
56	GASUNAS Anthony C	1266 W24	H L9 L16 L35 1.5
57	FERGUSON William	1166 W72	L31 H - - 1.5
58	GAST Bryan	1892 L3	W46 L40 - - 1
59	SACKS David W	1647 W61	L12 L10 L50 L37 1
60	DELAY Joe	1596 L23	W64 - - - 1
61	SHELLHAMER Ted C	1388 L69	L85 W74 L42 - 1
62	CUMMINGS Michael	1275 L25	W74 L21 L20 L48 1
63	WISNER Michael	1240 L45	W67 L22 L44 L52 1
64	MILLER Matthew B	1239 L26	L60 L44 B L48 1
65	RUBINSON Miriam Z	1131 L27	W61 L32 L24 L48 1
66	FRIEDMAN Andrew	1086 D38	L24 L43 F35 - 0.5
67	CAPIGATTI Andrew	761 L41	L63 H L36 L51 0.5
68	SZPISJAK Steven J	2319 L30	- - - - 0
69	MARSHALL James A	2120 L9	- - - - 0
70	KUSHINEVSKY Vladimir	1977 L18	F45 - - - 0
71	BUTTRY William P	1859 L12	L27 - - - 0
72	RIDDLE Robert	1450 L57	- - - - 0
73	CARDINALE Michael	1444 L60	- - - - 0
74	LEUNG Cheung	1030 L47	L62 L61 - - 0
75	CHEN Andy	402 L51	- - - - 0


1	MARIANO Cesar	2300 W16	W13 W15 W3 4
2	CHOW Albert C	2393 D18	W25 W15 WB 3.5
3	BACHLER Kevin L	2142 W21	W14 W11 L1 3
4	COHEN Lawrence	2013 L22	W18 W20 W13 3
5	COHEN Howard	1971 W9	W20 L1 W11 3
6	SAJKOWSKI Daniel	1914 W23	L15 W21 W14 3
7	MACHAJ Blair L	1738 L25	W24 W23 W15 3
8	FLORES Joshua	1742 W24	H W19 L2 2.5
9	PADILLA Rudy R	1500 L5	W26 D12 W20 2.5
10	JOSEPH Matthew	1433 L13	W18 W18 D12 2.5
11	BAUMGARTNER Chris	1720 W17	W22 L3 L5 2
12	DOAN Tom A	1651 L19	W17 D9 D10 2
13	MORSO Elio	1613 W10	L1 W22 L4 2
14	SIMS Lawrence J	1606 W27	L3 W25 L6 2
15	LAUGER Stephen	1576 W29	W6 L2 L7 2
16	KESTNER Mike	1525 L1	L10 W27 W24 2
17	CHEN Aaron	1448 L11	L12 W28 W25 2
18	SILVERMAN Scott	1533 D2	L4 L10 W27 1.5
19	SMITH Orshai B	1444 W12	H L8 - 1.5
20	WACHTER Tom W	1536 W26	L5 L4 L9 1
21	SCANTLEN Anthony	1523 L3	W27 L6 - 1
22	PLAQUIN Pini	1515 W4	L11 L13 - 1
23	SINGURA Thomas	1480 L6	W28 L7 - 1
24	WITEK Gregory	1466 L8	L7 W26 L16 1
25	RIDDLE Robert	1450 W7	L2 L14 L17 1
26	ESSES Joshua	831 L20	L9 L24 W28 1
27	PIERGALSKI John	1200 L14	L21 L18 L18 0
28	DOAN Jessica	943 L15	L23 L17 L26 0

8-Jun-97		Einhurst Games'90		OPEN	
1	KUSHINEVSKY Vladimir	2006 W7	W2 W4 W6 4		
2	SIMS Lawrence	1605 W3	L1 W6 W4 3		
3	WATT'S Bradley	1777 L2	L6 W5 B 2		
4	ENGELLEN Mark	1704 W9	W5 L1 L2 2		
5	HUANG Kenneth	1452 B	L4 L3 W9 2		
6	GRANIK David	1749 H	W3 L2 L1 1.5		
7	BYCHOWSKY Steven	1628 L1	W8 - - 1		
8	SHOCKLEY Robert	1595 L4	L7 B L5 1		

# TOURNAMENT CALENDAR

Call Chess Phone: (630) 832-5222 for up-to-date tournament results, and announcements of tournaments that may not be listed in Chess Life or the Illinois Chess Bulletin. The voice of the ICA Chess Phone is Todd Barre. Unless otherwise noted, all tournaments require USCF membership. Illinois Tour events also require ICA membership.

Organizers - remember it is ICA policy that an event must be published in either the ICB and Chess Life marked as a tour event in order to be a ICA Tour event. Please send your tournament notices to: ICA-Calendar@64.com.

Scholastic events are indicated by the  symbol. Further information on K-8 scholastic tournaments may be found at the CO-CHESS web site maintained by Kevin Bachler for the Illinois K-8 Chess Association. For events listed without details see Chess Life or the Illinois Chess Bulletin. USCF abbreviations are used.

**September 6, Saturday Plus-Score**, Chicago Chess Club, 1149 W Lunt, 773-761-5050

**September 7, Sunday Plus-Score Quick**, Chicago Chess Club, 1149 W Lunt, 773-761-5050

**Sep 7 (QC) - Elmhurst Chess Club Game/12 Double Quad**, Room 030, Elmhurst College Library, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst, IL. 6-round RR in 4-player sections of like-rated players. Play Black and White against each Quad opponent. FF \$11 ECC members, \$16 non-members (annual club dues only \$10). Prizes: \$30 1st, \$10 2nd in each Quad. Reg. 6-6:45 p.m. Round 1 at 7:00. Info: rogerdh9@mail.idt.net

**Sep 8 - Fox Valley / Naperville Chess Club Monday Evening Game 12 Tournament 5SS, G12**, Fox Valley / Naperville Chess Club at the Radisson, 3000 Warrenville Rd, Lisle, IL (2 1/2 hrs NE of Naperville Rd exit of I-88). Open to all. FF: \$12, \$7 for club members. \$5 based on ent. Reg. 6:45 - 7:20. Rd1 at 7:30 sharp. Site reg only. Info: Josh Flores (630) 305-0152. NS, NC, W

**Sep 13 (QC) - Tuley Park Big Quick #4, 4, 5, or 6SS** depend on # players, 501 E. 90th Pl., Chicago, IL. 60619. \$53.50 b/24, kids count half, \$210 gtd. FF \$15, (119 \$8. \$1 discount before 11:30. Reg. 11-11:50. Rd. 1 at 12. Ent: Thomas A. Fineberg, 7321 South Shore Dr. 6L, Chicago, IL 60649, 773-721-3979. NS, NC, W.

**Sep 14 - Elmhurst Chess Club Action Swiss**, Room 030, Elmhurst College Library, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst,

IL. 3-round Swiss in two sections. Game/30. Open: to all. Prizes: 1st, 2nd, U1700. Under 1500. Prizes: 1st, 2nd, U1300. 85% of FFs returned as prizes. Both: FF \$10 ECC members, \$15 non-members (annual club dues only \$10). Reg. 6-6:45 p.m. Round 1 at 7:00. Info: rogerdh9@mail.idt.net

**September 14, Sunday High Noon Quads**, Chicago Chess Club, 1149 W Lunt, 773-761-5050.

**Sep 16, 23, 30, Oct 7, 14: Oak Park - River Forest Chess Club Tuesday Night Fall Open**, 5-SS, 40/90, SD/30. Dominican Conf Ctr., 7200 W. Division (N/W corner of of Harlem & Division), River Forest, IL. (enter grounds off Division, enter building on Harlem side) FF \$10 OP-RR CC members, \$15 others. Prizes (\$175 b/20) \$50 - 30 - 20. A,B,C each 20, 13E/Uhr 15. Reg. 7-7:45 p.m. 9/16, 7-7:15 p.m. 9/23. Rds 8 p.m. 9/16, 7:30 all others. Half pt bye avail in Rd 1 or Rd 2. Info: Ken Marshall, (630) 932-1455. NS, NC

**September 28, Waterhog Swiss**, Chicago Chess Club, 1149 W Lunt, 3-SS, game/90, in 8-player sections. Reg ends 11:30, round 1 at 12. 773-761-5050.

**September 21 Simul with IM Josh Manion**, Elmhurst Chess Club, Room 030, Elmhurst College Library, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst. International Master-elect Josh Manion will play up to 30 boards in a simultaneous exhibition. \$8/board FCC members, \$12/non-members (annual club dues only \$10). Spectators \$2. ECC spectators free. Registration 6-6:45 pm. Simul starts at 7:00. First come first served. Info: Roger Barkeland (630) 832-1754. E-mail: rogerdh9@mail.idt.net

**September 21, Sunday Plus-Score Quick**, Chicago Chess Club, 1149 W Lunt, 6-SS, game/29. Reg ends 11:30, round 1 at 12. 773-761-5050

**Sep 27 (QC) - Windy City Cheapie #1**, Chicago, 10-SS G/10 Archer Park Fieldhouse 4901 South Kilbourn \$5G 255 (based on 25) 1st 60 2nd 45 3rd 30 A,B,C,D and below 30 each Bonus Prize: 25 to top scoring WCC member REG 9 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. Rds. 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 2:00, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30 FF 12 (if received by 9/14, 15 at site. ICA Micro Tour Event Free Food (hot chocolate, coffee, soda and fruit throughout the day) Ent: Windy City Chess Assn. 5850 South Trumbull Chicago, Illinois 60629-3639 (773)925-9679

**Sep 28 - Windy City Cheapie #2**, Chicago, 5-SS G/30 Archer Park Fieldhouse 4901 South Kilbourn \$5G 105 Guaranteed 1st 30 2nd 15 A,B,C,D and below 15 each Bonus Prize: 25 to top scoring WCC member REG 9 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. Rds. 10:00, 11:00, 1:00, 2:30, 3:45 FF 8 if received by 9/14, 10 at site, 2 discount to WCC members. ICA Micro Tour Event Free Food (hot chocolate, coffee, soda and fruit throughout the day) Ent: Windy City Chess Assn. 5850 South Trumbull Chicago, Illinois 60629-3639 (773)925-9679


**Sept. 28, Oct. 5, 12, Elmhurst Chess Club Fall Swiss**, Room 030, Elmhurst College Library, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst. 3-SS in 2 sections. Open and Under 1600. 40/100, SD/30. Open prizes: 1st, 2nd, U2000, U1800 (Under 1600) prizes: 1st, 2nd, U1400. 85% of entry fees returned as prizes. FF \$12 ECC members, \$16 non-members (annual club dues only \$10). 1/2 point bye available round 1 or 2. Reg. 6-6:45 pm on 9/28 & 10/5. Rounds at 7:00 each Sunday. Info: Roger Barkeland (630) 832-1754. E-mail: rogerdh9@mail.idt.net. NS, NC

**October 4, Tim Just's Lake County Open XX**, 4-SS, game/60, College of Lake County, Rt 45 & Washington, Grayslake 60030. FF \$15. Prizes by score. 4-0 \$100, 3.5 \$50, 3-1 \$25, 2.5 \$12. Reg ends 9:35, rounds at 10-12 30-3-5:30. No smoking on campus. Tim Just, 37165 Willow Ln, Gurnee 60031. 847-244-7954

**October 4, Tuley Park Quick #13**, Tuley Park Fieldhouse, 501 E 90th Pl. Chicago. Tom Fineberg, 773-721-3979.

**October 5, Sunday High Noon Quads**, Chicago Chess Club, 1149 W Lunt, 3-RR, game/90. Reg ends 11:30, round 1 at 12. 773-761-5050.

**October 11, Saturday Plus-Score Mini-Tour**, Chicago Chess Club, 1149 W Lunt, 4-SS, game/60. FF \$17, jr & CCC members \$14. Prizes by score. 4-0 \$100, 3.5 \$50, 3-1 \$25, 2.5 \$12. Reg ends 11:30, round 1 at 12. 773-761-5050

 **Oct. 11, Highland Optimist Second Annual Adult & Scholastic Tournament**, Highland High School, 12760 Troxler Avenue, Highland, IL (30 min. from Arch in Downtown St Louis. Call Phil Chapman at 618-654-1118 for directions from anywhere, or call Bill Moushey at 314-353PAWN[7296] for flyer with directions on back). Two sections. Open: open to all adults & scholastic. 4SS, G/90. Total prize fund \$1000 b/60 entrants. Overall \$200. 1st & 2nd Expert, Classes A,B,C,D,E/below each \$100-25. 1st Unrated \$50. FF: \$20 by 10/10, \$25 at site. Reg. 7:30-9am. Rds. 9:30-1-4-7:30. One half-point bye any round, must commit before first-round pairings and cannot be revoked. Bring Chess Life to expedite reg. process. Separate playing rooms. Scholastic divisions open to grades K-12. High

School (9-12), 4SS, G/60. Rds. 9.30-12-2.30-5. Junior High (6-8) 5SS, G/45 Rds 9:30-11:30-1:30-3:30-5:30. Elementary (K-5) 6SS, G/30. Rds 9:30-11-12:30-2:30-4. Reg. 7:30-9am. Awards ceremony for entire scholastic section 30 minutes after completion of last game. 57 trophies! Top three teams and top three individuals in each division, top three individuals in each grade. Top four scores are added to obtain team score. Only top four scores will count toward team score. Individuals play only those in same division. Schools may bring as many players as desired.

Individuals from same school will not play each other. Scholastic players may play in the adult section but not both sections. HF: \$6 by 10/10, \$7 at site. No half-point byes allowed. Bring Chess Life/School Mates to expedite reg. Food and soda available at site. All proceeds go to support the Highland Elementary School chess team. Info & advance entries: Bill Moushey, 4255 Louisiana

Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63111 314-353PAWN(7296). NS,NC,W.

**Oct 12 Homewood Open, 4-SS, Game/60.** Ramada Inn Chicago South 17040 South Halsted Street (just north of I-80/294 on Halsted, \$0.10 exact toll) EF: \$20, \$5 off to Jrs. \$Prizes (\$200, b/30) 70-40 A/B 35, C/D 35, E 30. Upset \$20 (UNR's ineligible). Reg. 11-45-12:15 Rounds: 12:30-2:30-4:30-7. Info Larry Cohen (630) 834-2477 NS NC W

**Oct 14 - ICCA Coaches Clinic Downers Grove South HS** Contact Michael Mayfield Downers Grove HS 1436 Norfolk St., Downers Grove, IL 60516 H-630 852 7223

**Oct 18, Springfield G/80 Swiss**

**Oct 18, Tri-State Scholastic Open, Maine East HS, Dempster & Potter, 1 blk E of I-294, Park Ridge, IL.** Hosts: Franklin Cavemen, 97 K-5 National & 3-time IL champs. 3 sections by grade: Primary: K-3, 5-SS, G/30, Awards at 4:30. Elementary: 4-5, 5-SS, Rds 1-3 G/35; 4-5 G/45 Awards at 5:30. Jr High 6-8, 5-SS, Rds 1-3 G/40; 4-5 G/50. Awards at 6:30. All EF \$15 postmarked by 10/8, \$20 after. No on-site entry. Limited to first 500. May play up, eligible for overall prizes only. \$3K/section. Trophies. Top 8 overall. 4/grade. (Medals to tie & no trophy.) Biggest Upset (by rating-UNR's ineligible) Top UNR, top 8 teams (top 4 scores) IL CO-CHESS rules apply-send \$2 for team def., rules & Reg procedure, or check CO-CHESS at www.ansch.chi.com/~kbachler. Award times advanced if results permit. Check-in only, 7:45-8:30. Rd 1 9:30, then ASAP, posted at site. USCF membership req'd, send with entry. Food on site, "brown-bags" (O.K.); allowed only in cafeteria - strictly enforced. Write for Team Room. TD. Fry Sedlock. Checks/TNT: Deborah Socha, 2719 W. DeCook, Park Ridge, IL 60068. 847-698-9365 Phone entries add \$5. E-mail: Kevin Bachler. 1 check & entry list per school, sort by section/grade. Give contact (for questions with entry). Entry: name, USCF ID, school/town, section & grade. Ph 847-494-2559 - touney morning withdrawal only. NS W

**October 20 - Fox Valley / Naperville Chess Club Monday Evening Game 29 Tournament** 3SS, G29. (Quick Chess) Fox Valley / Naperville Chess Club at the Radisson, 3000 Warrenville Rd, Lisle, IL (2blks NE of Naperville Rd exit of I-88) Open to all. EF: \$12, \$7 for club members. \$\$ based on ent. Reg 6:45 - 7:20

Rd1 at 7:30 sharp. On site reg. only. Info: Josh Flores (630) 305-0152 NS NC W

**Oct 25 (QC) - Tuley Park Quick Chess #12.** Rounds depend on # of players. 501 East 90th Place, Chicago, IL 60619. \$\$(\$250 b/24, kids count half) \$150 gtd) EF \$12, U19 \$6, \$1 off before 11:30. Reg. 11-11:50. Rd. 1 at 12. Ent: Thomas A. Funberg, 7321 South Shore Drive 6D, Chicago, IL 60649, 773-721-3979 NS,NC,W

**October 26, Elmhurst Chess Club, G/60 Mini Tour.** Room 030, Elmhurst College Library, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst, 4-SS in 2 sections Open and Under 1600. Open prizes: 1st, 2nd, U2000, 1800 Under 1600 prizes: 1st, 2nd, U1400, U1200. 85% of entry fees returned as prizes. EF: \$15 ECC members, \$20 non-members (annual club dues only \$10). Reg. Noon-12:45, rounds at 1:30, 3-15, 6:00, 8:00. Late entries (until 3:00) get 1/2 point bye in round 1. An ICA mini-tour event. Info: Roger Birkeland (630) 832-1754. E-mail: rogerdb9@mail.idt.net. NS, NC.

**October 27 - Fox Valley / Naperville Chess Club Monday Evening Game 15 Tournament** 4SS, G15. (Quick Chess) Fox Valley / Naperville Chess Club at the Radisson, 3000 Warrenville Rd, Lisle, IL (2blks NE of Naperville Rd exit of I-88). Open to all. EF: \$12, \$7 for members. \$\$ based on ent. Reg 6:45 - 7:20 Rd1 at 7:30 sharp. On site reg only. Info: Josh Flores (630) 305-0152. NS NC W

**Oct 31-Nov 2 - Midwest Class Championships, Lisle. MAXI 5SS, 40/2, SD/1 (2-day option, Rds. 1-2 G/75).** Hyatt Lisle, 1408 Corporate Drive (Rt 53 near I-88), Lisle 60532. Free parking. Luxurious hotel with indoor pool, sauna, whirlpool, sundek and fitness center, adjacent to Morton Arboretum. \$512,000 unconditionally gtd. 10 sections (unr must play in Unrated Sections). Master (over 2199): \$51200-600-400-300. Expert (2000-2199): \$51000-500-300-200. Class A (1800-1999): \$51000-500-300-200. Class B (1600-1799): \$51000-500-300-200. Class C (1400-1599): \$51000-500-300-200. Class D (1200-1399): \$5300-400-200-100. Class E (1000-1199): Trophies to top 5. Class F (800-999): Trophies to top 5. Class G (under 800): Trophies to top 5. Unrated: Trophies to top 5. All will obtain ratings. Provisionally-rated players are not unrated. Top 6 Sections EF 1-day \$78, 2-day \$77 if check mailed by 10/23, both \$80 with credit card by 10/29, \$90 at site. GMs free, \$70 deducted from prize. \$30 less to juniors under 18 who are rated under 1500, over 2199 or play up. Re-entry \$40. Class E, F, G, 1 hr EF 3-day \$18, 2-day \$17 if check mailed by 10/23, both \$20 with credit card by 10/29, \$30 at site. All EF \$8 less if mailed with \$40 adv. \$30 senior or \$15 youth USCF dues. Rated players may play up one class, except Class F & G may over D. Credit cards accepted at site or by phonecall 944-496-9638 weekdays or 456-994-9634 (no questions) 24 hrs daily. No phone entries after 10/29. Callers must request special EF or be charged full fee. 3-day schedule: Reg. ends Fri 7pm, rds. Fri 8, Sat 11-5:30, Sun 10-4:15. 2-day schedule: Reg. ends Sat 10am, rds. Sat 11-2:5:30, Sun 10-4:15. All: No checks at site. ICA memb. (\$14, under 19 \$8) required for IL residents. ICA micro-tour event. Bye: all, rds 4-5 must commit before rd 2. add 50 cents for rd 1 bye. HR: \$72-72-72, 800-233-1234, 630-852-1234, reserve by 10/16 or rate may increase. Special airfare: Bon Voyage Travel, 800-843-1110. Car rentals: Avis, 800-331-1600, use AWD #D657633. Entries: Continental Chess, PO Box 249, Salisbury Mills, NY 12577 914-496-9658 (recorded info. 914-496-7469). rocmata@aol.com, http://www.chesstour.com NS,NC,W,FIDE.

**November 1 - 1997 Peoria Quick Chess Tornado, An ICA Mini-Tour Event.** Garrett Center, 824 North Durvae Place, Peoria, IL 61625. EF: \$12 by 10/30, \$15 at site. 5SS G/29. ICA number req. \$14, \$8 U20 OSA 1<sup>st</sup> \$75, 2<sup>nd</sup> 50. Chess books to Class A, B, C, D (based on 6 per class) Reg: 8-8 45 Rnds 9,10,15, 12, 1:15, 2:30. Limit 1 bye for any round. NS Bring equipment. Entries: Bill Naff, 212 Van Ct Peoria, IL 61614 (309) 691-4624 after 6 p.m..

**Nov 1 - Scholastic Players' Clinic & Speed Tournament, Proviso West HS, Hillside.** Contact George Marino Proviso West HS Harrison & Wolf, Hillside, IL 60612, W-630-449-6400 H-630-420-8152

**November 3 - Fox Valley / Naperville Chess Club Monday Evening Game 29 Tournament** 3SS, G29. (Quick Chess) Fox Valley / Naperville Chess Club at the Radisson, 3000 Warrenville Rd, Lisle, IL (2blks NE of Naperville Rd exit of I-88) Open to all. EF: \$12, \$7 for members. \$\$ based on ent. Reg 6:45 - 7:20 Rd1 at 7:30 sharp. On site reg only. Info: Josh Flores (630) 305-0152 NS NC W

**Nov 8 - Bloom Trail Action/30, 5-SS Top 5 teams** Chicago Heights Contact Don Deakin Bloom Trail HS Sauk Trail & Cottage Grove, Chicago Heights, IL 60411 H-708-758-5496 W-708-758-7000

**Nov 8 - Glen Ellyn Fall, Hadley JHS**

**Nov 8 or 157 8 board + Sch Open USCF rated** Contact Sandra Machay West Chicago High School 1213 Jobiet Street, West Chicago, IL 60185-3195 H-630-231-6245 W-630-293-8163

**Nov 8 (QC) - Windy City Cheapie #3** Chicago 10-SS G/10 Archer Park Fieldhouse 4901 South Kilbourn \$50 255 (based on 25) 1st 60 2nd 45 3rd 30 A,B,C,D and below 30 each Bonus Prize: 25 to top scoring WCC member REG 9 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. Rds 10:00, 10:30, 11:00, 12:00, 12:30, 1:00, 2:00, 2:30, 3:00, 3:30 EF 12 if received by 10/24, 15 at site. ICA Micro Tour Event Free Food (hot chocolate, coffee, soda and fruit throughout the day) Ent: Windy City Chess Assn 5850 South Trumbull Chicago, Illinois 60629-3639 (773)925-9679.

**Nov. 8 - Lisle Plus Score Mini-Tour.** 4SS G/75 Radisson Hotel, 3000 Warrenville Road, Lisle IL. EF: \$25 (as site) Reg. 9:15-10. \$3prizes based on Final Score 4-0 \$90, 3-5 0.5 \$60, 3-1 \$40, 2-5-1.5 \$18. Rds: 10:15, 1, 1:45, 6:45 Bring Equip. NS NC Info: Larry Cohen

**Nov. 8, Glen Ellyn Fall Classic, Hadley Junior High School, Glen Ellyn**

**Nov 9 (QC) - Windy City Cheapie #4.** Chicago. 5-SS G/25 Archer Park Fieldhouse 4901 South Kilbourn \$50 250 (based on 30) 1st 75 2nd 50 3rd 25 Under 1900 25 - 15 Under 1600 25 - 15 Under 1400 20 Bonus Prize: 25 to top scoring WCC member REG 9 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. Rds 10:00, 11:00, 1:00, 2:00, 3:00 EF 12 if received by 10/24, 15 at site, 2 discount to WCC members ICA Micro Tour Event Free Food (hot chocolate, coffee, soda and fruit throughout the day) Ent: Windy City Chess Assn 5850

South Trumbull Chicago, Illinois 60629-3639 (773)925-9679.

**Nov. 9, Elmhurst Chess Club Game/15 Double Quad.** Room 030, Elmhurst College Library, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst. 6-round RR in 4-player sections of like-rated players. Play Black and White against each Quad opponent. Prizes \$30 1st, \$10 2nd in each Quad. EF \$11 ECC members, \$16 non-members (annual club dues only \$10). Reg. 6-6 50 pm, round 1 at 7:00. Info: Roger Birkeland (630)832-1754 E-mail: rogerdb9@aol.com NS, NC.

**November 18 - Fox Valley / Naperville Chess Club Monday Evening Game 15 Tournament 4SS, G15 (Quick Chess) Fox Valley / Naperville Chess Club at the Radisson, 3000 Warrenville Rd, Lisle, IL. (2blks NE of Naperville RJ exit of I-88). Open to all EF: \$12, \$7 for club members. \$5 based on ent. Reg 6:45 - 7:20 Rd1 at 7:30 sharp. On site reg only. Info: Josh Flores (630) 305-0152 NS NC W**

**Nov 13-16 - USCF National K-12 Scholastic Grade Championships.** Parsippany, NJ

**Nov 15 (QC) - Tuley Park Micro Tour**

**Nov. 16, Elmhurst Chess Club Game/35 Quad.** Room 030, Elmhurst College Library, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst. 3-round RR in 4-player sections of like-rated players. Prizes: \$40 1st in each Quad. EF: \$11 ECC members, \$16 non-members (annual club dues only \$10). Reg. 6-6 50, round 1 at 7:00. Info: Roger Birkeland (630) 832-1754. E-mail: rogerdb9@aol.com NS, NC.

**Nov 22-23, Illinois Class Championships**  
4-SS 45/2, SDV1. Oak Lawn Hilton 9333 South Cicero Ave, Oak Lawn, IL 60453, 708-425-7800. \$50 4,000. IN 6 SECTIONS: MASTER: \$80 500-300-200, EXPERT 300-200-100, A: 300-200-100, B: 300-200-100, C: 300-200-100, D/E: 300-200-100. Unr. may play in any class but may not win more than \$100 except in Master. If 5 or more Unr's in class - Unr. Prize will be added. EF: \$49, \$29 Jr. if rec'd by 11/12 - All \$11 more after 11/12 or at door. FREE TO UNR WHO JOINS USCF AND ICA FOR EVENT ICA MMBR REQ: \$14, \$8 U20. OSA. REG. 8:30-9:30 A.M. RDS 10-4 each day. 1/2 PT BYE (LMT 1) IN RND5 1-2 IF REQ IN ADV. BRING CLOCK. ENT: CHECKS PAYABLE TO ICA. JOSH FLORES, 379 CHILVERS COURT, NAPERVILLE, IL, 60565-6331, 630-305-0152. NS NC W. ICA MAXI-TOUR EVENT.

**Nov ? Bellville East**

**Dec 7 Edwarsville**

**Dec. 6 - Washington Invitational, Washington**

**Dec 6 - West Chicago, Benjamin JHS**

**Dec 6 - Ottawa Chess Tournament (5 bd), Ottawa 5-board Game/60 TD Julian Morrison. Contact Craig Smooh Ottawa High School Ottawa, IL. H 815-667-5201 W-815-433-1323**

**Dec 13 - Springfield G786 Swiss**

**Dec 13 (QC) - Tuley Park Quick Chess #14.** Rounds depend on # of players. 501 East 90th Place, Chicago, IL 60619. \$\$250 h/24, kids count half. \$150 gnd. EF \$12, 1/19 \$6, \$1 off before 11:30 Reg 11-11:50. Rd. 1 at 12 Ent Thomas A. Fineberg, 7321 South Shore Drive 6D, Chicago, IL 60649, 773-721-3979 NS,NC,W

**Dec 13 - Frosh-Soph Team "State" Championships, Chicago Heights 4 rds Board Swiss Contact Don Deakun Bloom Trail High School, Sauk Trail & Cottage Grove, Chicago Heights, IL 60411**

**Dec 13-14 - Windy City Chess Holiday Open.** Chicago 4-SS 30/1 and SD/30 Archer Park Fieldhouse 4901 South Kilbourn \$50 620 (based on 20) 1st 150 2nd 100 3rd 80 4th 60 5th 60 6th 35 7th 35 11pset 50 Best Game 50 Bonus Prize 50 to top scoring WCC member REG 9 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Rds 10:00 and 2:00 each day EF 35 if received by 12/1, 40 at site, 7 discount to WCC members ICA Mini Tour Event Free Food (hot chocolate, coffee, soda and fruit throughout the day) Ent Windy City Chess Assn 5850 South Trumbull Chicago, Illinois 60629-3639 (773)925-9679

**Dec. 27-28 Holiday Classics Maxx Tour Larry Cohen**

**1998**

**January 10, Tuley Park Quick #1, Chicago.**

**January 18, Evanston Invitational.**

**Jan. 19, M.L.K. Day Tournament, Bloomington**

**January 17, Illini Union Classic, Urbana.**

**January 24, Keller JHS.**

**January 31, Tuley Park Quick #1, Chicago**

**Jan. 31, Hoose/St. Clair/Holy Trinity, Bloomington**

**February 7, Illinois Elementary Class, Hadley JHS**

**Feb. 14, Jensen, location TBA**

**Feb. 14, Glenn Invitational, Normal**

**February 14, ICCA "State" Individuals HS Championship, Bloom Trail HS. February 21, Tuley Park Quick #3, Chicago**

**February 28 - March 1, State Elementary Championship, Rockford**

**March 5-9, U.S. Masters.**

**March 7, North Shore Conference Individual HS.**

**March 7, West Suburban Conference Meet HS**

**March 14, Deer Path JHS, Lake Forest.**

**March 20-21, IHSA State HS Team, Normal.**

**March 26-29, National Open, Las Vegas.**

**March 7-8 Cheap Shot Open Holiday Inn Glen Ellyn.**

**Games from the Gensler Match**

**E. Martinovsky (2348)-R. Satterlee (2102)  
St Charles vs FVNCC G/90 B/18/97  
Board 2 [A80]**

1 d4 E5 2 g4 f5 3 Bf4 Nf6 4.Nc3 d5 5.h3 Ne6 6.Qd2 g6 7.Nb5 e5! 8.dxe5 Ne4 9.Qxd5 Qxd5 10.Nxc7+ Kf7 11.Nxd5 Nb4 12.Nxb4 Bxb4+ 13.e3 Nxc3 14.Rd2 Nd5 15.fg4 Bxg4 16.Bh3 Bxd2+ 17.Kxd2 Rxd8 18.Ke1 Be6 19.Nf3 h6 20.Rc1 g5 21.Bxc6 Kxc6 22.Rd4 Rd8 23.e4 Nf4 24.Rd4 h5 25.Rd6+ Ke7 26.Kd2 g4 27.Nd4 Rxd8 28.Nf5+ Kf7 29.Ke3 Ng2 30.Kd4 Nf4 31.b4 Ne6+ 32.Ke3 Ng5 33.Rf6+ Kg8 34.Rg6+ 1-0

**M. Aaron (2049)-S. Klug (2187)  
St Charles vs FVNCC G/90 B/18/97  
Board 3 [D52]**

1 d4 Nf6 2 Nf3 e6 3.c4 d5 4.Bg5 e6 5.e3 Nbd7 6.Nc3 Qe5 7.Qd2 Bb4 8.Bxf6 Nxf6 9.Rc1 Ne4 10.Qc2 Qxa2 11.e5 b6 12.Ne5 bxa5 13.Nxb6 Bxb3+ 14.bxa3 Qxa2 15.Rxc2 e4 16.f3 Nd6 17.Kd2 Bd7 18.Na5 Ke7 19.e4 f6 20.Be2 Rbb8 21.Ra1 Rb6 22.Roa2 Be8 23.e5 fxe5 24.dxe5 Nf5 25.g4 Nh4 26.Ke1 g5 27.Nxe4 dxc4 28.Rxa7 Rxa7 29.Rxa7 Bd7 30.fxa4 Ng6 31.Kd4 Rb1 32.Bd3 Rd1 33.Ke3 Re1+ 34.Kd4 Nxe5 35.Be4 Kf6 36.Rc7 h6 37.e4 Rd1+ 38.Ke5 Nxe4 39.Ra7 Ne5 40.Ra8 Nf7 41.Ra7 Re1+ 42.Kd4 Bc6 43.Rc7 Rd1+ 44.Ke3 Bxe4 45.Kxe4 Rd2 46.h3 Rb2 47.f4 gxf4 48.Kxf4 Rch1 49.Re5 Ng5 0-1

**P. Stan (2000)-J. Wrobel (2044)  
St Charles vs FVNCC G/90 B/18/97  
Board 4 [B03]**

1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.d4 d6 4.Be4 Nf6 5.e6 Nxe4 6.e7+ Ke7 7.Qd3+ Ke8 8.Qh5+ g6 9.Qb5+ e6 10.Qxc4 Bg7 11.Nf3 a5 12.a4 Qb6 13.c3 Qa6 14.Nbd2 Bf6 15.0-0 Bg4 16.Qh3 Nd7 17.Re1 Qh6 18.Qd4 d5 19.Qe2 Qe7 20.h3 Bxd3 21.Nxd3 h6 22.Qe6 Ra6 23.Ne5 Nxe5 24.dxe5 c5 25.Qxd5 Bg7 26.Be3 Ra6 27.Rad1 Bxe5 28.Bxb6 Bb2+ 29.Kh1 Rde 40.Qg5 Rxb6 41.Qxb6 Rf6 32.Qh8 -Kf7 33.Rd8 1-0

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