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ICA Meeting Minutes

The following motions were passed at the ICA Board Meeting on February 2, 2003:

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President's Podium



Larry Cohen

President's Podium

I bring greetings to you from your new President. The election results are in (somewhere) and I have been elected (by default) as your new President. The other officers are Metro V-P Howard Fried, Downstate V-P Dennis Bourgerie, Treasurer Howard Cohen, and Secretary Vince Hart.

I'll start by saying that I want to make Illinois into "Chess Country". I want to further encourage chess play of all types and at all levels. As a start for this I would like the help all-you-all out there. I want to compile a list of places where you could get a 'pick-up game' of chess. Just about everyone knows about the chess at North avenue beach in Chicago during the summer. But where could you get a game in the middle of winter in various parts of the state? E-mail the ICB editor or myself with places (coffee shops, book stores, libraries, schools, etc.) where a person could possibly walk in and play a friendly (or not so friendly) game of chess.

I hope to bring back some of the old events and start some new events in Illinois. I want to again have ICA Officer's Appreciation tournaments, and bring back the old Illinois Junior Open. I'd like to see match play between clubs or cities including those from outside of Illinois [Rockford vs. Janesville maybe?]. Possibly a state bughouse tournament, and who knows what else.

I will remind everyone that March marks the end of the Tour, and the end of the first year of the "ExUrban" Tour. This means we will be presenting awards at the ICA banquet on Sunday April 13 at Stevens Steak House on York road just south of I-290. It also means the start of a new Tour year in April. This will kick off with the Chicagoland Maxi-Tour and Peoria Spring Tornado in April, and the Rockford Spring Open on May 3. Please feel free to say howdy and introduce yourself if you see me. I hope you said hello if you saw me at the Greater Peoria Open, and as usual I'll be a TD at the Chicago Open. So you better start studying and exercising your "chess muscles", as I want to see more of that Chicago Open prize money stay here in Illinois.

Best "Chess" Regards,

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Where: STEVENS STEAK HOUSE

When: 4-13-03 1-4 PM

Alex Stannov to perform Blitz simuls!

The ICA chess banquet will be held at Stevens Steak House on Sunday April 13th. Both a full meal (choice of chicken or fish) and prizes (including IL tour \$) will be awarded. The luncheon and awards will take place from 1PM to 4PM on Sun. 4-13 at Stevens Steak House on 476 N. York Road (at the I-290 exit on York Rd). Prior to the luncheon from noon until 1PM, Mr. Alex Stannov (FIDE Master & USCF Life Master) will take on all players at 3 boards in a 5-minute blitz simuls. Fee for this event is \$22 if paid in advance (mailed by Sat. April 5th) or \$30 at the door. Call Rob Loncarevic with any questions about the meal at 773-510-2162. Please mail advance fees to Howard Cohen at 10482 Anne Ct. #2E in Rosemont, IL 60018. Make checks payable to the ICA (Illinois Chess Assoc.) Good chess to all & congratulations to all prize winners. Come support Illinois chess today!

Yes, I wish to attend the ICA Chess Banquet!

Name _____ Chess

Rating _____

Choice of Meal: Chicken _____ Fish _____

Letters to the Editor

The 14H Bomb

By Matt Nemmers,
Illowa Chess Club

If I didn't have bad luck I wouldn't have any luck at all.

Not a month after I received my club-level tournament director certification, someone goes and claims a draw under the insufficient Losing Chances rule (the much-debated USCF Rule 14H) at our club tournament. Some directors have been running tournaments ever since the USCF implemented this bizarre rule in 1993 and still haven't had that situation come up, yet the bomb is dropped on me while still a fledgling TD working under instruction.

Fortunately for me, I didn't suffer the repercussions of Lady Luck's wrath alone. Since I was just the back-up TD assisting with (read: learning how to do) the pairings, one of our more experience players was the head honcho for that month's tournament and was the poor sap who had to make what turned out to be a very unpopular ruling. Before I go into all the dubious variations of personal behavior the application of 14H can result in and why I think it's an absurd contradiction of the basic premise for timed play, let me enlighten you on exactly what this rule means and how it comes about.

The idea behind this rule is -- player ratings and time left on each player's clock notwithstanding -- that a Class 'C' player could reasonably draw the game in his position against a master given ample time. This situation arises when one player uses all but five minutes of his time in a sudden death time-control; he may then "offer" his opponent a draw if his position and/or material advantage is such that he would be unlikely to lose the game given sufficient time.

As is the case with most logic-impaired monopolies, the USCF fails to define what "ample" and "sufficient" time mean, which only further complicates the decision making process for the director. This, coupled with the fact that the strongest players available for position

analysis were rated 1746 and 1640 (one of which was ineligible as he was the player claiming the draw), only served to enhance the skepticism of the opponent and incredulous spectators who had never heard of "Insufficient Losing Chances." The problem, as argued by the irate player on the receiving end of this soup-sandwich, is that the rule doesn't make sense -- an obvious point which nobody present could easily refute. Here's why:

In a sudden death game players are given so many minutes to make all their moves. If one player oversteps the time limit and, in the chess-geek vernacular, their flag falls, he or she loses. Period. End of story. This keeps games from becoming the 19th century sit-outs à la LaBourdonnais - McDonnell, 1834 or Staunton - St. Amant, 1843. As our bitter protagonist vehemently argued, clocks were introduced for a reason. If we rid ourselves of our only means of regulating the time period in which a game is to be played, we totally negate the purpose for which they were created. One can hardly dispute this flawless logic.

However, the upper echelon of the USCF, undoubtedly subsidized by the Politically Correct Commandos and the Liberal Ego-Protection Commission, decided that it just wasn't fair for a player to lose a theoretically won game just because his time-management skills were substandard. So, utilizing their infinite wisdom, they created Rule 14H; a rule which has distinguished itself not only for its inequity, but also for its marked lack of any semblance of clarity. After all, it is at the sole discretion of the director whether to allow the draw or to make the player claiming the draw to play on, when sometimes the ruling director is rated a measly, patzer-esque 1400. (Don't mind my blushing.)

Needless to say, we had quite a few unhappy campers that dramatic evening at the club. When the rule was presented in black and white, some of our members still disagreed with our ruling, citing that common-sense had the opposition. We even had one player drop out of that month's tournament and threaten to boycott future events unless we overturned our ruling. Despite our efforts to explain the hows and whys of this rule, the pseudo-ultimatums, and our gut feeling that we were correct in upholding the

draw, we decided to defer judgment to the masters and other associated minions of the USCF. Given the position, they determined that our ruling was correct.

I think I've made my indelible feelings about 14H abundantly clear in this little diatribe of mine; however, even though I'm an ardent devotee of logic and fairness, I'm equally fanatical about seeing justice done according to the letter of the law. We play by the rules, no matter how ridiculous they may seem at times. If we let one rule slide, what's next? Touch-move? I'm quite sure that Pandora doesn't have a promising gift for us in her proverbial box.

Lesson learned: TD's have tough jobs. When the established rules run contradictory to common-sense and popular opinion, he or she still has a fundamental obligation to ensure everyone is playing by the book — and most importantly, by the same book. Those who criticize a director for following the policies and procedures put out by our governing body — however unreasonable they may seem — are not fit to direct themselves as they lack the integrity necessary to be objective arbiters. One cannot pick and choose which rules to follow on a case-by-case basis and expect to be taken seriously, let alone be trusted to serve as an ethical director. This, as they say in the business world, is the bottom line...

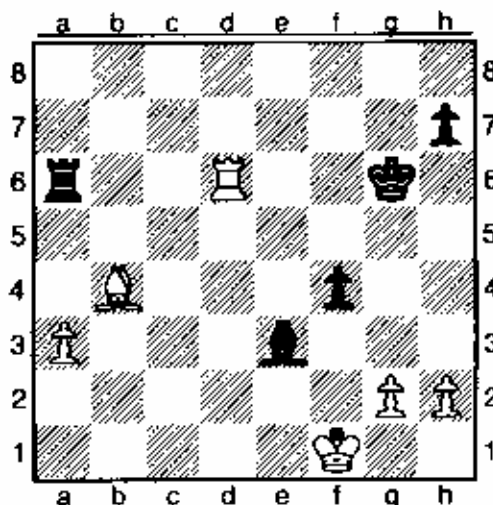
That's it for today, folks. If I run into any more situations where I have to enforce enigmatic rules put out by the nonsensical USCF Rules Committee, I'll be sure to drop you a line. Until next time, take care.

You can read the archive of Matt's Musings at www.quadcitychess.com.

**Byron Chen (1410)
Hector Hernandez (1900)**

Heartland Semi-Class (3)

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 d6 4.f4 Nf6 5.Nf3 Bg4 6.Bd3 0-0 7.e5 dxe5 8.fxe5 Nd5 9.Nxd5 Qxd5 10.c3 c5 11.Be3 cxd4 12.cxd4 Nc6 13.Be2 Rfd8 14.0-0 Rac8 15.a3 Qe4 16.Qd2 Nxd4 17.Nxd4 Bxe2 18.Qxe2 Rxd4 19.Qf2 Rdd8 20.Qxf7+ Kh8 21.Rfe1 Rc2 22.Bf2 Qf5 23.Qxf5 gxf5 24.Rad1 Rdd2 25.Rxd2 Rxd2 26.Bxa7 Rxb2 27.Bc5 Rb5 28.Bxe7 Rxe5 29.Rd1 Kg8 30.Bg5 Kf7 31.Rd7+ Kg6 32.Rxb7 Ra5 33.Be7 Bd4+ 34.Kf1 f4 35.Rd7 Be3 36.Bb4 Ra6 37.Rd6+ Diagram



37...Rxd6 38.Bxd6 Kf5 39.Ke2 Ke4 40.Bb4 h5 41.a4 Kd5 42.Bd2 Bb6 43.Bxf4 Kc6 44.Kf3 Bd8 45.Kg3 Kb6 46.Bd2 Bc7+ 47.Kh3 Bd8 48.a5+ Ka6 49.g3 Be7 50.Kg2 Bd6 51.Bf4 Be7 52.Bc7 Kb7 53.Bb6 Ka6 54.Kf3 Bg5 55.h4 Bd2 56.g4 hxg4+ 57.Kxg4 Kb7 58.h5 Ka6 59.Kf5 Bc1 60.Bd8 Bd2 61.Bg5 Bc3 62.h6 Black resigns. 1-0

**US Chess Live Game Game 5
JAZ (1525) – ColleyChess (1623) Editor**

GCS GCS, 16.12.2002

1.d4 g6 2.c4 Bg7 3.e3 c6 4.Nc3 d5 5.c5 a6 6.Nf3 Bg4 7.h3 Bxf3 8.Qxf3 e6 9.Bd3 Ne7 10.0-0 0-0 11.Re1 b6 12.Na4 b5 13.Nb6 Ra7 14.b4 Nd7 15.Nxd7 Qxd7 16.a3 Re8 17.Bb2 Qc7 18.e4 dxe4 19.Bxe4 Nd5 20.Bxd5 cxd5 21.Rab1 Raa8 22.Re3 Bh6 23.Ree1 Re7 24.Bc1 Bg7 25.Bb2 Rae8 26.Qd1 Qc6 27.f3 e5 28.Kh1 exd4 29.Rxe7 Rxe7 30.Bxd4 Bxd4 31.Qxd4 Re6 32.Ra1 Qe8 33.Rd1 Qd7 34.Rd3 Re1+ 35.Kh2 Qc7+ 36.g3 Re2+ 37.Kg1 Qxg3+ 38.Kf1 Re1# 0-1

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Dear Colley,

Some Art from Bisguier

By Arthur Bisguier and Newton Berry

The following excerpts are from Vol. 1 of *The Art of Bisguier*, available for \$22.95 from Millennium Press (P.O. Box 702, Hazel Crest, IL). The book's 212 8.5"x11" pages include 82 annotated games GM Bisguier played between 1945 and 1960. Its 380 diagrams make following analysis without resetting the position on a chessboard easy.

There are Illinois fingerprints all over the manuscript. Co-author Berry formerly penned a column ("Of Pawns and Kings") for ICB. Technical Editor Sheldon Gelbart is an ex ICB Games Editor. And of course, Bisguier has been a frequent visitor to Illinois, giving simuls and lessons at various Chicago-area schools and clubs.

Art was US Junior Champion in 1948 and '49. Bisguier won the US Open in 1950, '56, '59 and tied for first in the event in '57 and '69. He played on five US Olympiad teams, and finished first at such international tournaments as Southsea 1950, Vienna 1952-53, Pan-Am 1954 and Lone Pine 1973. One of the best players in the world during his prime, Bisguier played and scored against just about every great player and World Champion from Euwe to Karpov – including wins over Fischer and Spassky.

Larry Evans called Art "the greatest natural talent" at the 1962-63 US Championship. Both Bobby Fischer and Sammy Reshevsky participated in that event!

The following games were played in 1954 and 1955, during Bisguier's reign as US Champion (1954-7).

Conning Caissa's conman

Theodore Smith was chess's first murderer, and Abe Turner its first prominent murder victim. But the game's most notorious criminal was Norman Tweed Whitaker. A patent lawyer, International Master and conman, his resume included Oxford, Georgetown, the University of Pennsylvania and Alcatraz. His crimes ranged from car theft to extortion, and included unique scams of his own invention.

For example, Whitaker bought a new car by check after the banks had closed for the weekend. He drove it to a nearby town and offered to sell it to another dealer for less than he'd just paid, deliberately emulating the actions of a common car thief. Then when the police were called, Norman would prove that he had sufficient funds in the bank to cover his check, and sue for false arrest. A Whitaker original!

Two of the most notorious crimes of the twentieth century were the Lindbergh kidnapping and the Teapot Dome scandal. And Norman played a role in both. He served as an Assistant Secretary of the Interior in the Harding administration when Secretary of the Interior Albert Fall was convicted and jailed for illegally selling off naval oil reserves.

Whitaker also represented himself as a kidnapper of the Lindbergh baby in order to bilk wealthy Washington, D.C. socialite Evalyn Walsh McLean out of \$100,000. Of course, Norman hadn't actually committed the kidnapping. He just associated himself with the heinous act to extort ransom money from a gullible kind-hearted woman.

The chess world took Whitaker's shenanigans – such as playing under an alias to avoid apprehension – in stride. When Whitaker visited Al Horowitz at

Chess Review offices, the witty Horowitz reportedly called out, "Come on in, Norman, and pull up an electric chair."

Over the board, "The Fox," played well enough to win the US Open (then called the Western Open) twice, to rack up a 2-1 lifetime mark against Sammy Reshevsky, and win a match from former US Champion Jackson Whipp Showalter. There was discussion of a match for Frank Marshall's US Championship. But Whitaker balked at Marshall's financial requirements.

In Game 1, from the '54 US Open, Whitaker played a French Defense, his customary choice as black. On move 25 I sacrificed a pawn. A couple of moves later I forced an exchange of my two rooks for Norman's queen, then took advantage of the resulting lack of coordination of his pieces to clean house.

(1) Bisguier, A – Whitaker, N [C02]

US Open (10), New Orleans, 1954

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 (French Defense, Advance variation.) 3...c5 (For 3...b6, see Game 28.) 4.c3 Qc6 5.Qf3 Qb6 6.a3 Qd7 7.b4 cxd4 8.cxd4 a5 9.b5 Qa7 10.Qc3 Nc8 11.Qb2 (See Diagram 1.)

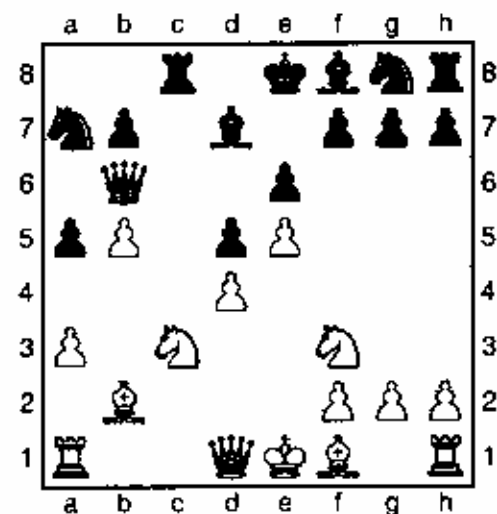


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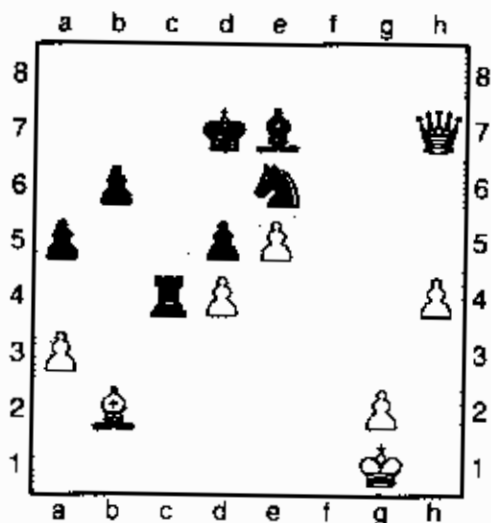


Diagram 5

36.h5 b4 37.axb4 axb4 38.h6 ♖c8 (See Diagram 6.)

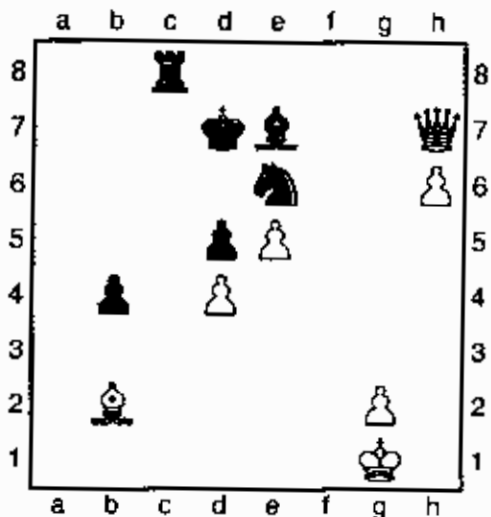


Diagram 6

39.♗d3 ♜h8 (Norman might hang on longer with 39...Ng5 40.Qb5+ Kc7 41.Qa5+ Kb7 42.Qxd5+ Kb6.) 40.♗b5+ ♔c7 41.♗a5+ ♔c6 42.♗a4+ 1-0

(Diagram 7 shows Whitaker didn't resign prematurely. A likely continuation: 42...Kb7 43.Qd7+ Nc7 44.Qxe7 Rxb6 45.Qxb4+ Rb6 46.Qc3 demonstrates diminishing prospects for Caissa's conman.)

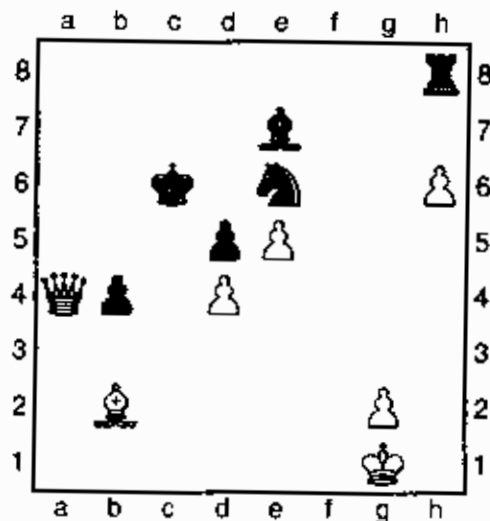


Diagram 7

A patent lawyer, International Master and conman, Norman Tweed Whitaker's resume included Oxford, Georgetown, the University of Pennsylvania and Alcatraz.

Donovan's grief or every dog has its day

In round 11 of the 1954 US Open, I found myself paired against Jeremiah Donovan. He had white and essayed a Queen's Gambit. I won a pawn and took him out of book on move six. He successfully stripped away the pawn's protection, but I gave Donovan tactical reasons to avoid early recapture.

Besides, this extra pawn looked to have little value. I had doubled isolated c-pawns, undefended and going nowhere. Ten moves later this insignificant little soldier had a defender and a lust to advance. It became the focal point of the rest of the game, never queening but forcing resignation by the very threat of doing so.

(2) Donovan, J – Bisguier, A [D30]

US Open (11), New Orleans, 1954

1. e3 d5 2. d4 e6 3. c4 e6 4. g5 (The Queen's Gambit Declined.) 4... h6 5. g4 b4+ 6. f2 (Better is the more natural 6 Nbd2. Jeremiah may have feared 6... g5 7 Bg3 g4 and if 8 N moves, 8... Ne4 wins a piece. But white has a good game after 8 a3. See Diagram 8.)

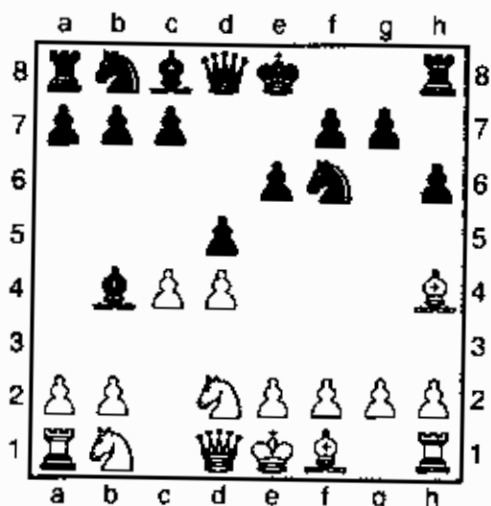


Diagram 8

6... dxc4 (On second thought, I accept the pawn. I've often played the Queen's Gambit Accepted not to win a pawn, but because the defense creates some interesting problems for white. I don't usually try to keep the pawn.) 7. e3 b5 8. a3 xd2+ (Better may be 8... Ba5.) 9. xd2 a6 10. e4 bd7 11. xf6+ xf6 12. a4 b7 13. b3 d6 14. bxc4 bxc4

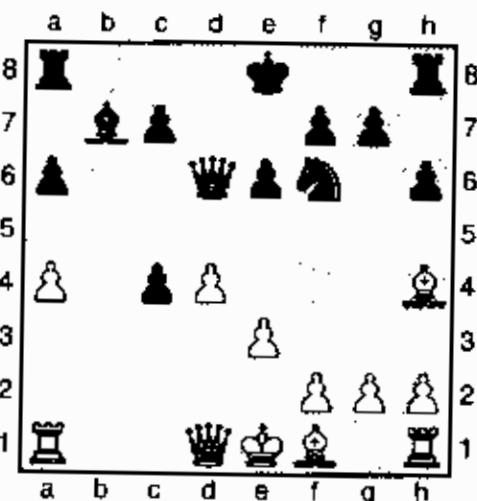


Diagram 9

(As Diagram 9 shows, all I have for my troubles are doubled, isolated c-pawns. A fair evaluation of the extra pawn on c4: It's a real "dog," a harmless toy poodle on a short leash, and already in the rifle sights of white's KB. To quote the ukulele player's training exercise: "My dog has fleas." 15. f3 (White holds off playing 15 Bxc4? because 15... Qb4+ wins a piece. So the mangy little cur on c4 lives another move.) 15... d5 (Now 16 Bxc4 loses to 16... Nxe3. So my c4-pup gets another reprieve.) 16. f2 c3 (Suddenly the small dog breaks its leash, and I have a protected passer on c3. Indeed, the feisty little mutt looks like it might have a bit of Rottweiler in it.) 17. c2 c5 18. g3 e7 (See Diagram 10.)

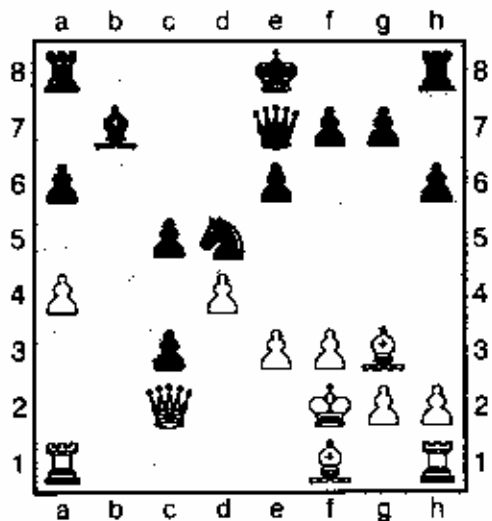


Diagram 10

19. $\text{E}d1$ (No better for white is 19 e4 Nb4 20 Qxc3 cd4.) 19...cxd4 (The c-pawn remains isolated, but no longer doubled. And the mongrel barks loud enough to

The mongrel pawn barks loud enough to command serious attention. White relegates his Q to a dogcatcher role.

command serious attention. White relegates his Q to a dogcatcher role.) 20. $\text{E}xd4$ 0-0 21. $\text{Q}c4$ $\text{E}ac8$ 22. $\text{E}b1$ $\text{E}fd8$ [Like a snarling junk-yard dog in full fury, my once worthless c-pawn now becomes the focal point of the entire game. Donovan has the animal surrounded, but capture looks very risky. (See Diagram 11.)]

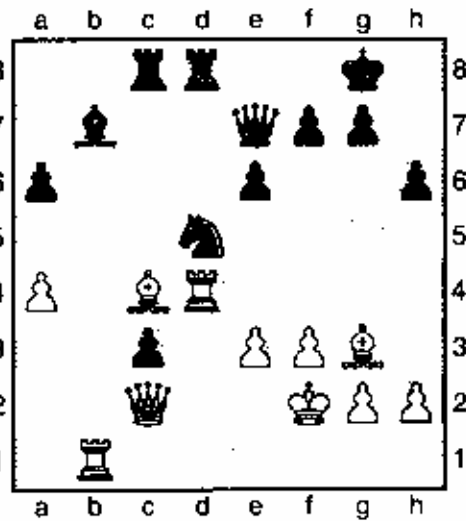


Diagram 11

23. $\text{Q}xd5$ (White is losing badly after 23 e4 Qc5 24 Rbd1 Nb4 25 Qxc3 Nc6.) 23... $\text{Q}xd5$ 24. $\text{E}bd1$ $\text{W}a3$ 25. e4 $\text{W}b2$ 26. $\text{W}xb2$ cxb2 (See Diagram 12.)

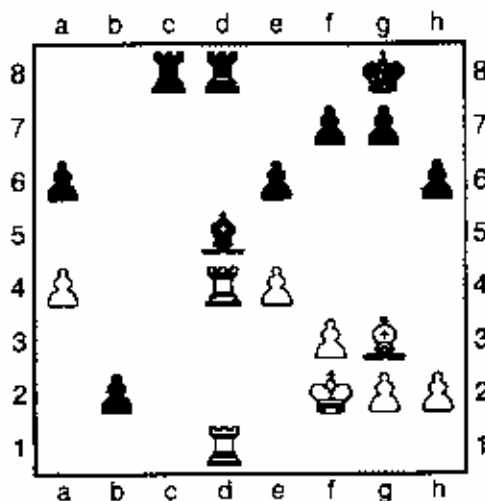


Diagram 12

(Qs perish disputing this dog's right to exist. And now a full-grown mastiff defiantly bares its fangs on b2.) 27. $\text{Q}f4$? (The losing move. Also bad is 27 ed5? Rcl 28 Bf4 b1Q 29 Bxc1 Rxd5 30 Bxh6

Qxd1 31 Rxd1 Rxd1, leaving black with a won endgame. White's best try is 27 Rb1! following Nimzovitch's dictum "blockade, attack, destroy" the invader, with the idea of steering the game into a drawn opposite-color-Bs endgame.

E.g.: 27...Bc6 28 Rc4 Be8 29 Rxc8 Rxc8 30 Rxb2 Bxa4 31 Rb8 Rxb8 Bxb8 where black's extra pawn would not be enough to win.) 27...e5 (See Diagram 13.)

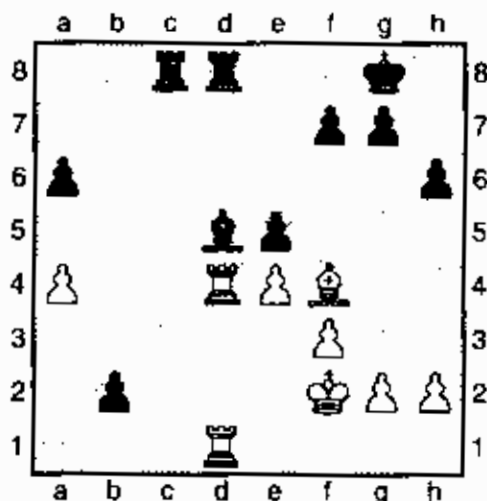


Diagram 13

28. Exd5? (This loses. But other tries also fail. E.g.: 28 Bxe5 Rc1 29 Bf4 b1Q 30 Rxc1 Qb2+ and black wins easily. Or 30 Bxc1 Rc8 and white is lost. Moreover, with all that loud barking getting closer and closer to his back rank, Jeremiah may have found calm calculation difficult.) 28...Exd5 29.exd5 exf4 30. Eb1 Rc2+ 31. Qg1 Ec1+ 0-1 (End of a shaggy dog tale.)

Rite-of-passage game

Isaac Kashdan was the true, albeit uncrowned, champion of the US for about ten years before Frank Marshall abdicated his title in 1936. The reason? Kashdan couldn't (or wouldn't) meet Frank's monetary demands for a title match. However, "Kash" played first board, ahead of Marshall, on US Olympic teams clearly signalling their relative strengths. Nor was there ever any reason to second guess this board order. Isaac played remarkably well in the Olympiads. For instance, he scored +12 -1 =2 at The Hague in 1928 and +12 -1 =4 at the 1930 Hamburg Olympiad. And he led the US to successive first-place finishes in the next three Olympiads.

After the 1930 Olympiad, Kashdan stayed in Europe long enough to garner first-place laurels in tournaments at Berlin, Stockholm and Gyor. One of the best players in the world, Kash was a legitimate contender for the world title. In time he'd be eclipsed by Reshevsky and Fine in the US. And by 1946 when Alekhine died and took his world championship crown to the grave with him, several Russian GMs had also overtaken Isaac.

Stylistically Kashdan was of the classical school. He was called *der kleine Capablanca* (the little Capablanca) because his elegant positional play closely paralleled that of the great Cuban. When I met him in round three of the '54 Pan-Am, he was still one of America's most revered. I admired him tremendously. He was older and an established world-class player. I represented the new guard.

In Game 3, Isaac played a King's Indian Defense, which I assailed with a Four Pawns Attack. Kashdan knew the kinds of positions arising from this

opening quite well. On move 15, I sacrificed a pawn, there being no other way to make progress against the defensive setup he'd adopted. I came out of it with the two bishops versus two knights, which he must have found disquieting. Kash was known to have an affinity for bishops. Beating him was, for me, a rite of passage.

Analyzing the contest in *Chess Review*, Hans Kmoch noted that our game illustrated the merits of the Four Pawns Attack and my skill in handling this opening. The quoted passages are from his article.

(3) Bisguier, A – Kashdan, I [E76]

Pan-Am (3), Hollywood, 1954

1.d4 ♖f6 2.c4 g6 3.♗c3 ♕g7 4.e4 d6 5.f4 0-0 6.♗f3 (King's Indian Defense - Four Pawns Attack.) **6...♗f7** (A dubious try with a poor track record. In Bogoljubov-Thomas, Karlovy Vary, 1923, white stood clearly better after 7 Be3 e5 8 fe5 de5 9 d5. Best is 6...c5, which Petrosian played against me in the 1954 USA-USSR match. That game continued 7 dc5 Qa5 8 Bd3 Qxc5 9 Qe2 Nc6 10 Be3 Qa5 11 0-0 Bg4 12 Rac1 Nd7 13 Qf2 Bxf3 14 gf3 a6 15 Kh1 e6 16 Bb1 Qc7 17 Rfd1. I won a pawn on the queenside, but was held to a draw owing to the weakness of my kingside.) **7.♗d3 c5 8.fxe5 dxe5 9.d5 ♗c5 10.♗c2a5 11.♗e3 ♜e7 12.0-0 ♗ba6 13.a3 ♗d7 14.♞e1** (Designed as a measure against 14...f5.) **14...b6** (Kash hoped to proceed with ...Nb7-d6, possibly followed by ...f5. Playing 14...f5 immediately favors white. E.g.: 15 ef5 gf5 16 Bf4 e4 17 Nd4.) **15.d6** (See Diagram 14.)

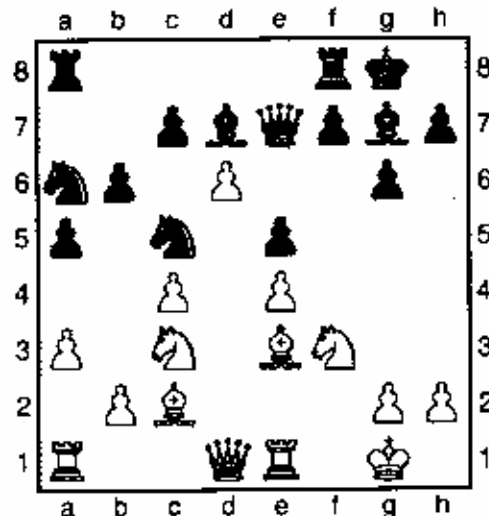


Diagram 14

(A pawn sac to clear the d5-square.) **15...♞xd6** (Not 15...cd6 16 Nd5 Qd8 17 b4, when white's B wins the b6-pawn after black's Nc5 moves. Then white has material equality and a clearly superior position.) **16.♞xd6 cxd6 17.♞ad1** (Black's d- and b-pawns are weak. Thus, my pawn sacrifice entailed relatively little risk. Here 15 Nd5 may look stronger than the text in view of 17...Rab8 18 b4. However, black can then mount a better defense: 17...Be6! 18 Nxb6 Rab8 or 18 b4 ab4 19 ab4 Bxd5 20 bc5 Bxc4.) **17...♗e6!** (Black's best. Kashdan's idea is 18 Rxd6 Bxc4 19 Rxb6 Rab8, when black has a fully satisfactory game.) **18.♗d5** (See Diagram 15.) **18...♗xd5** (Kashdan must surrender the minor exchange to hang on to his extra pawn. Kmoch suggested 18...Rab8 19 b4 ab4 20 ab4 Bxd5 as a reasonable alternative. However, after 18...Rab8, I planned 19 Ne7+ followed by Rxd6.)

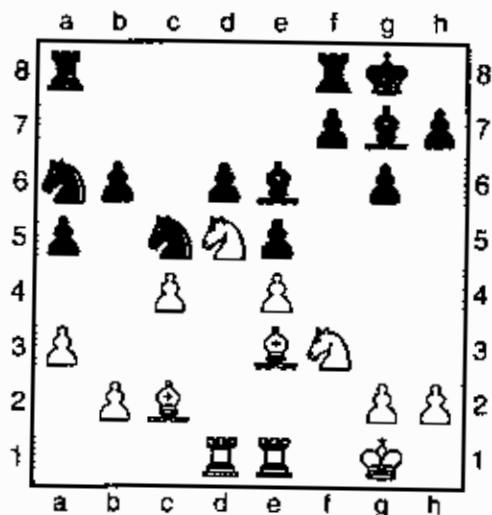


Diagram 15

19. Exd5 (Much stronger than capturing with a pawn. The R pressurizes the d6-pawn. Also, after either 19 ed5 or 19 cd5, 19...f3 is good for black.) 19... Ef8 20. Eed1 Qf8 (Black surrenders the pawn to solidify his position.) 21. Qxe5 (Now I have my pawn back, the two Bs, and a superior position. Obviously 21...de5? loses to 22 Rxd8.) 21... Ee8 22. Qg4 22... Re6 (Here 22... Nxe4? 23 Bxe4 Rxe4? 24 Nf6+ loses the R on e4.) 23. e5 (A bold move that initiates a plan to sacrifice the exchange to create a strong passed d-pawn.) 23... Qc7 (Acknowledging I had "a brilliantly effective answer" to the text move, Knoch suggested 23...h5! here.) 24. Exd6 (My combination nets me a decisive advantage.) 24... Qxd6 25. exd6 (See Diagram 16.)

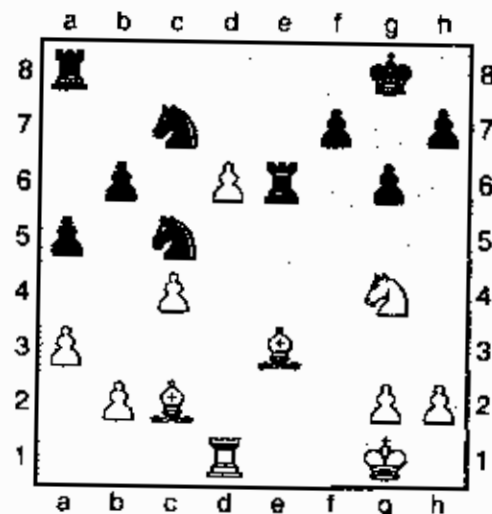


Diagram 16

25... Q7a6 (Forced. Other lines allow the d-pawn to queen. E.g.: 25...h5 26 dc7 hg4 27 Rd8+.) 26. d7 E8 27. Qg5 Exd7 28. Qf6+ Exf6 29. Qxf6 Exd1+ 30. Qxd1 (Despite material equality, my two bishops are decidedly better than Isaac's two knights in this position. I knew I had a winning advantage.) 30... Ed7 31. Qd4 Qf8 32. Qf2 Qe7 33. Qe3 Qac5 34. b4 axb4 35. axb4 Qe6 36. Qa4! (See Diagram 17.)

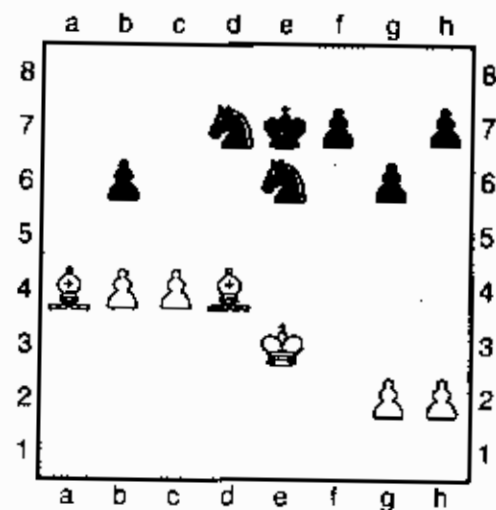


Diagram 17

36... $\text{\textcircled{e}}\text{f8}$ [Forced. 36... Nxd4 invites decisive penetration by the white K. If 36... Nxd4 37 Kxd4 (threatening 38 Bxd7) 37... Nf6 , white wins with either 38 c5 bc5 39 Kxc5 or 38 Ke5 Ng4+ 39 Kd5 Nxb2 40 Kc6 .] 37. $\text{\textcircled{e}}\text{e4}$ (This game offers a text book illustration of the winning technique with two Bs vs. two Ns. I'll attack pawn with B. And when a N protects the targeted pawn, I'll attack that defender with the other B, all the while improving my K position. At the opportune moment I'll swap off the Bs for Ns and enter a won king-and-pawns endgame.) 37... $\text{\textcircled{d}}\text{d6}$ 38. $\text{\textcircled{e}}\text{xd7}$ $\text{\textcircled{e}}\text{xd7}$ 39. $\text{\textcircled{e}}\text{xb6}$! (See Diagram 18.)

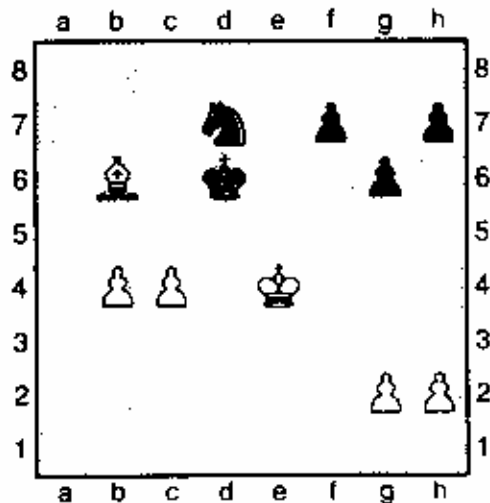


Diagram 18

39... f5+ (Inadequate. But 39... Nxb6 40 c5+ leads to a routine win for white. 40. $\text{\textcircled{e}}\text{f4}$ h6 (No better for black is 40... Nxb6 .) 41. $\text{\textcircled{e}}\text{d4}$ $\text{\textcircled{e}}\text{e6}$ 42. h4 $\text{\textcircled{e}}\text{f8}$ 43. $\text{\textcircled{e}}\text{g7}$ g5+ (See Diagram 19.)

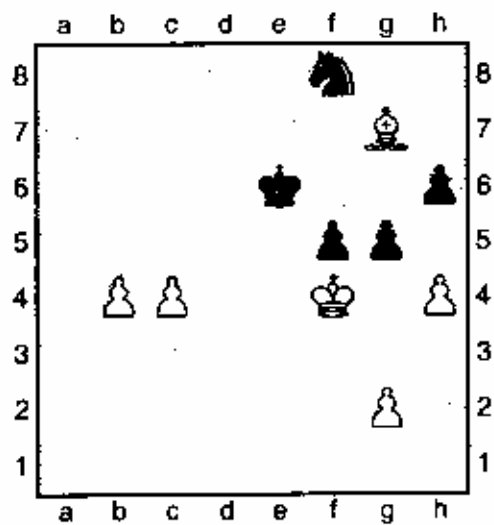


Diagram 19

44. $\text{\textcircled{e}}\text{f3}$ ("The simplest and fastest way to win is the best way," to quote Baron von Heydebrand und der Lasa. After 44 Kf3 , Kash must allow the exchange of pieces or lose another pawn. If 44 hg5 Ng6+ 45 Kf3 hg5 . And black can fight on a while longer.) 44... $\text{\textcircled{e}}\text{g6}$ 45. h5 $\text{\textcircled{e}}\text{e5+}$ 46. $\text{\textcircled{e}}\text{xe5}$ $\text{\textcircled{e}}\text{xe5}$ 47. g3 1-0 (The black K faces an impossible double task: first, to blockade my queenside duo, which can never be captured; second, to protect his own kingside pawns.)

Suddenly trapping Sammy

An early loss at the 1954-1955 Rosenwald came at the hands of Sammy Reshevsky. The most famous of all chess child prodigies had learned the game at four. A couple of days later he amazed his parents by demonstrating how his father might have saved a game against a friend. At eight young Sammy could play blindfolded, and was already touring Europe giving simultaneous exhibitions against adults. One of the kid's rare losses came at the hands of an 18-year-old student named Max Euwe, a future world champion!

An invitation to demonstrate these feats in North America brought the Polish prodigy to New York, where he gave more exhibitions. By 11 Sammy was playing tournament chess against masters, and claiming wins against the likes of GM David Janowski.

His family took up residence in America, and Reshevsky won US Championships in 1936, 1938, 1940, 1942, 1946 and 1969. Sammy placed first (ahead of Kashdan and Fine) at New York 1934, Margate 1935 (ahead of Capablanca), Kerner 1937 and Hastings 1937-8. Between 1935 and 1960 Reshevsky was one of the top five players in the world.

He placed equal third in a 1948 World Championship tournament to find a successor to Alekhine. But it was the McCarthy era. The US State Department denied Reshevsky permission to compete in the 1950 Candidate's tournament in Budapest. So Sam settled for defeating Miguel Najdorf in 1952 and 1953 matches for the "Championship of the Western World". His subsequent challenge to FIDE World Champion Mikhail Botvinnik for a title match went nowhere. The Russians weren't interested.

I played Sammy for the second time at Rosenwald in round eight. The contest stood roughly even when, playing 26...Qf4, he threatened to take advantage of my seeming lack of piece coordination. In response I played one of the most marvelous moves of my chess career. Sam saw through a clever trap that would snare his queen if he took the bishop I'd left *en prise*. But the trap had an even more ingenious second level, and I got the royal dame anyhow. It was only Sam's second loss to an American in over four years. Winning my last four games of the tournament, I tied for first.

(4) Bisguier, A – Reshevsky, S [E70]

1st Rosenwald (8), 1955

1.d4 ♀f6 2.c4 g6 3.♁c3 ♁g7 4.e4 d6 5.♁g5

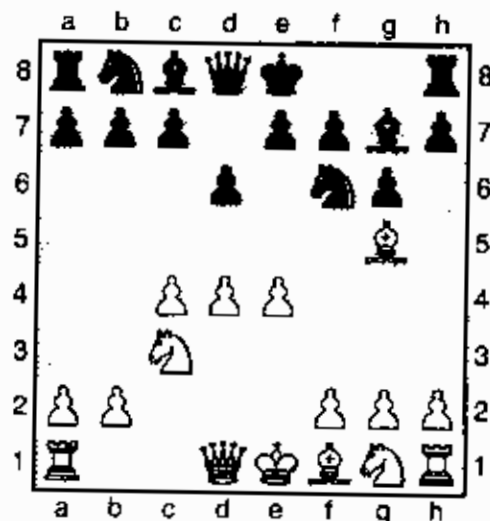


Diagram 20

[This was the first time I played 5 Bg5 against the King's Indian Defense. This line became my trademark. It's commonly called the Averbach Variation. However, while Yuri played it in connection with Be2, the Bisguier Variation typically involves Bd3 and f4. (See Diagram 20.)

5...h6! [White gets a fine game after 5... 0-0 6 Bd3 c5 7 d5 e6 8 de6 fe6 9 Nge2 Nc6 10 0-0 h6 11 Bd2 e5 12 Nd5Nd4 13 Nxd4 cd4 14 f4. Sammy's move forces my dark-squared B to choose between the c1-h6 and h4-d8 diagonals. After 6 Bh4, I can no longer play Bd2 or (with my Q on d2) enforce Bh6.] 6.♞h4

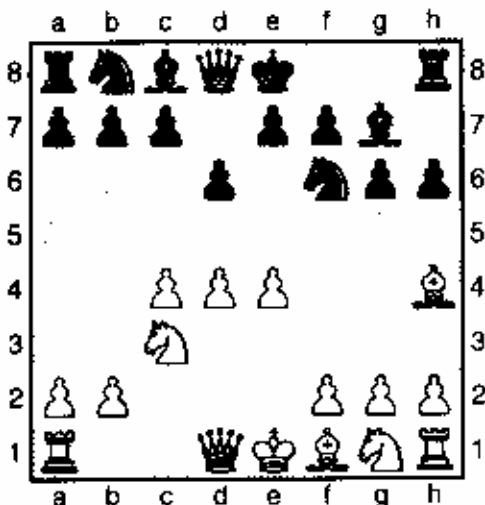


Diagram 21

(See Diagram 21.) 6...0-0 (Also played is 6...c5. But white's game was slightly better after 7 d5 Qa5 8 Qd2 g5 9 Bg3 Nh5 10 Be2 Nxc3 11 hg3 a6 12 Nf3 Nd7 13 0-0 Rb8 14 a4 in Letelier-Rubinetti, Buenos Aires 1964.) 7.f4 (Super aggressive. I needed a win to tie for first.) 7...c5 8.d5 a6 (Sam thought for more than an hour before making this passive move. 8...b5 9 cb5 a6 treating the opening as a Benko Gambit gives black good counter play. That's why I eventually gave up on this variation.) 9.♞f3 (Black stands well after 9 a4 Qa5 10 Qd2 b5.) 9...b5 10.♞d3 h4 11.♞e2 ♞g4 12.0-0 ♞bd7 13.♞d2 ♞c7 14.♞ae1 (An excellent position for white. I have center control, a nice spatial advantage, and a nasty threat in the e5-pawn push.) 14...♞ae8 15.h3 ♞xf3 (Post-

poning 16 e5, but ceding the B pair and leaving black weak on the light squares.) 16.♞xf3 e6 (This move leaves d6 weak. But what else could Sam do to forestall my e5 push?) 17.dxe6 ♞xe6 18.♞g3!

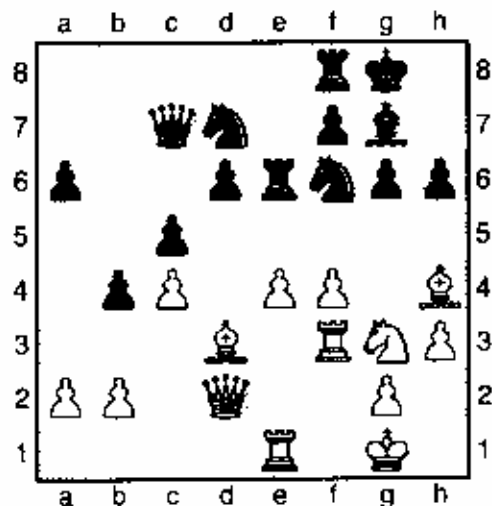


Diagram 22

[Renewing the threat of 19 e5 de5 20 f5! tearing open black's K-side defense. But not 19 f5 Re5 allowing black to set up a blockade. (See Diagram 22.)] 18...♞h7! (A nice resource. Now if 19 e5 g5!) 1 9.♞f1

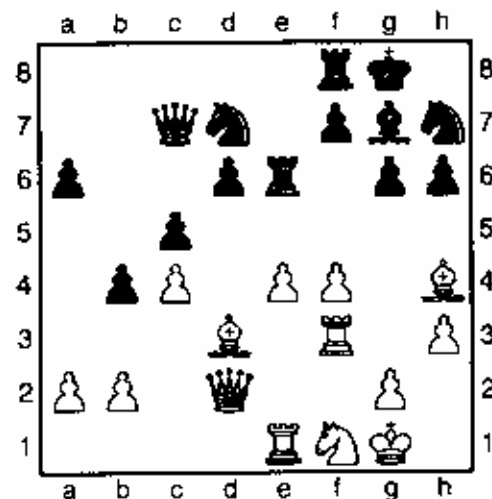


Diagram 23

(See diagram 23.) 19...♟d6 (Better to leave the QN at d7 – to help control e5. Black might hold the position with 19...Nh6. E.g.: 20 e5 de5 21 f5 gf5 22 Bxf5 Rd6 19...Re8, to take some of the sting out of 20 f5, was also worth consideration.) 20.f5 ♞e7 21.fxg6 fxg6 22.e5! (This thematic pawn break launches an attack on black's K-side.) 22...♞xe5 23.♞xe5 dxe5 24.♟xg6 e4! (White is winning after 24...Rd8 25 Qc2. 25.♞g3 (Playable is 25 Bxe4 Nxe4 26 Qd5+ Rf7 when white regains the piece. But the white b2-pawn falls, and black maintains material equality.) 25...♞e5 26.♟e3! ♣f4 (See Diagram 24.)

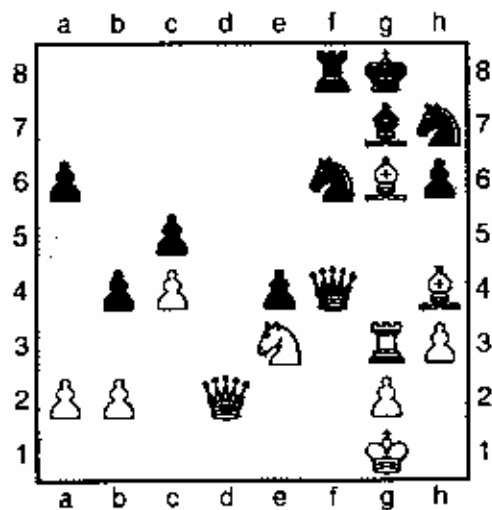


Diagram 24

(Expecting to force 27 Bxf6 when black stands slightly better. Had Reshevsky foreseen what was coming, he might have tried 26...Qd4 27 Qxd4 cd4 28 Nf5 d3! 29 Bxh7+ Nxf7 30 Rxg7+ Kh8.) 27. ♞e1!! [A wonderful move that sets a devilishly cunning trap. (See Diagram 25.) Now the B can't be taken. If 27...Qxh4? 28 Bxh7+ Kh8 29 Nf5 Qf4 30 Nxc7 Rf7 31 Ne6 Qe5 32 Bg6 Re7 33 Nd8 Qd4+ 34 Qe3 Qxd8 35 Qxh6+ Nh7 36 Bxh7 Rxc7 37 Qe6. After 28...Kxh7

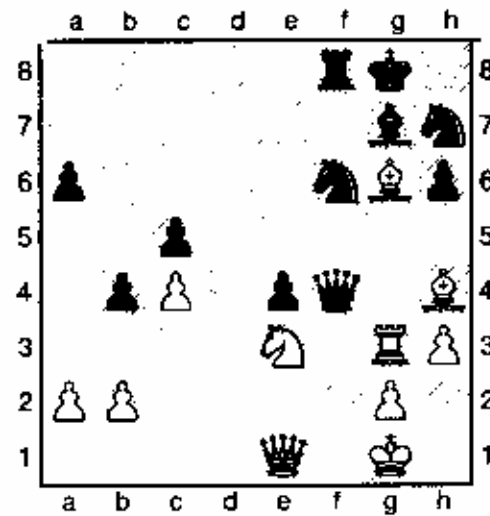


Diagram 25

(or 28...Nxc7) 29 Rxc7+ bags the black Q.] 27...♟g5? (A blunder. After 27...Qe5, the position is approximately equal. Now comes the truth.) 28.♞g5! hxg5 29.♟g3 (Trapping the black Q.) 29...♟h5 30.♟xf4 ♟xf4 (See Diagram 26.)

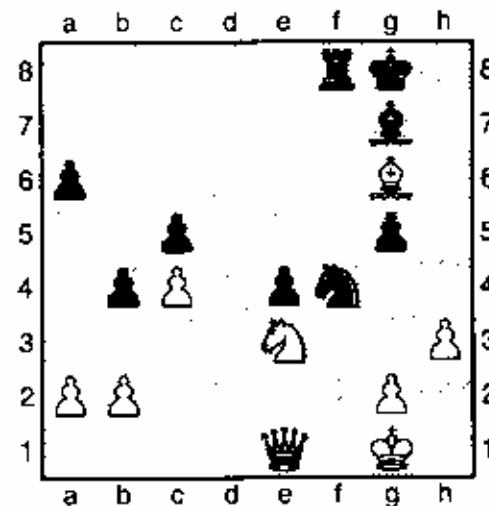


Diagram 26

31.♟f5 (Also playable was 31 Bxe4 Bxb2 32 Nf5 Rf6. If 31...Bd4, 32 Kh1 Re8 33 Nf5. Either way white enjoys a winning advantage.) 31...♟d4 (Threatening 32...

Bxe3 33 Qxe3 Rxf5.) 32.Qg4 Ed3 33. We2 Bf2 ("Tantamount to resignation," stated Larry Evans in American Chess Quarterly, "since white emerges a piece ahead in the ending.") 34. Wxf2 Exf2 35. Qxf2 Qxb2 36. Qf5 a5 37. Qxe4 ("The rest is child's play," announced Evans.) 37...a4 38. Qc2 b3 39. axb3 a3 40. Qb1 Qf7 41. Qf3 Qe6 42. Qe4 Qe5 43. Qc2 Qb2 44. b4 1-0

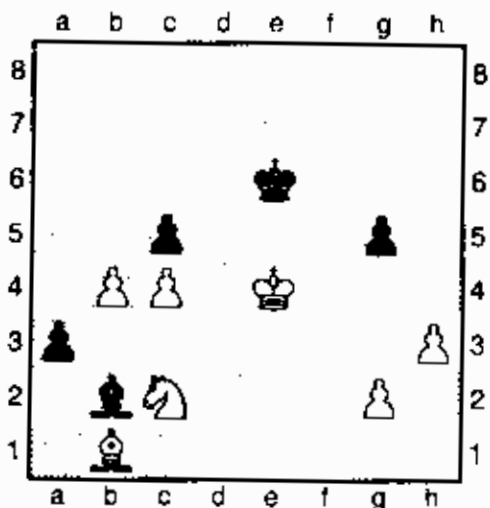


Diagram 27

(Diagram 27 illustrates the adjourned position. Although his game was hopeless, Reshevsky wanted to play it out. He hadn't bowed to a fellow American since 1951. However, I convinced his wife that he was lost. And Norma persuaded Sam there were better things to do with his time. It was his only loss of the tournament.)

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c3	g6
Be2	Bg7
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b3	Re8
Bb2	Bg4
h3	Bxf3
Bxf3	dxo4
bxc4	Nbd7
e4	e5
d5	Nc5
Re1	Rc8
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Qxa4	Nd7
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Bg4	b5
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Bb5	d3 ch
Kd2	Bb4 ch
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Kd2	Kd4 ! [Zugzwang]
Bc6	c3 ch
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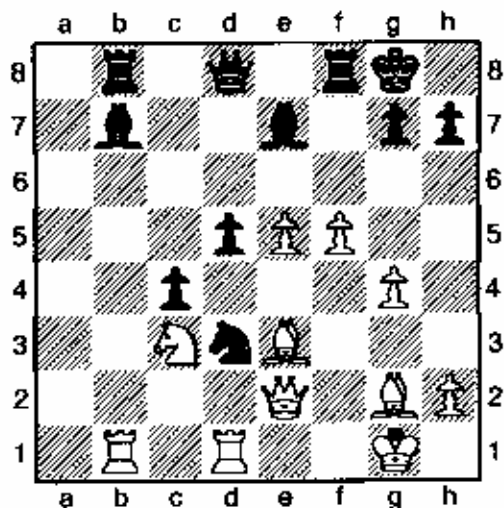
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1) Quan,Z (2220) – Tsyganov,I (2180)

Tim Just Winter open (4), 2003 [Albert Chow]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 b6 4.g3 Bb7 5.Bg2 Be7 6.0-0 0-0 7.Nc3 Ne4 The old main line of the Queen's Indian defense. 8.Bd2 f5 9.Qc2 Na6 10.a3 c5 11.Rfd1 d5 12.cxd5! exd5 13.Be3 c4 14.Ne5! Nc7 15.f3 Nd6 [15...Nxc3 16.bxc3 exchanging on defense!?] 16.Bf2 b5 17.g4 f4 18.e4 fxe3 19.Bxe3 a5 20.b4! Nf7 21.Rab1 axb4 22.axb4 Ra3 23.Bc1 Ra8 24.f4! Na6 25.Nxb5 Nxb4 26.Qe2 Nc6 [26...Ra2 looking for counter play.] 27.Be3 Rb8 28.Nc3 Nb4 29.f5 Nxe5? 30.dxe5 Nd3??

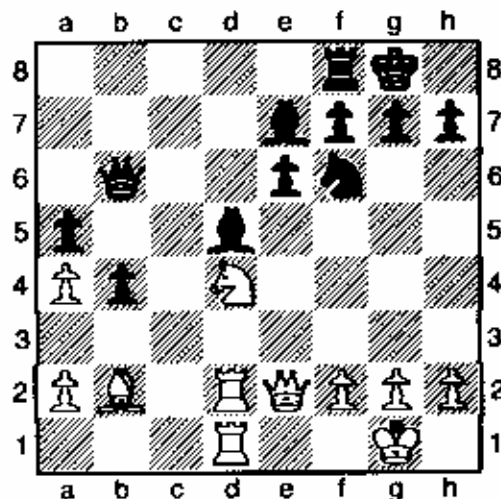


31.Rxb7! Rxb7 32.Bxd5+ Kh8 33.Bxb7 Qc7 34.Be4 Qxe5 35.Bxd3 cxd3 36.Qxd3 Bf6 37.Ne4 Re8 38.Nxf6 gxf6 39.Bd4 Qf4 40.Bxf6+ Kg8 41.Qd5+ Kf8 42.Qd6+ Qxd6 43.Rxd6 black resigned. 1-0

(2) Quan,Z (2235) – Aaron,M (1935)

Tim Just Winter open (1), 2003 [Albert Chow]

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 c8 4.e3 Nf6 5.Nf3 Nbd7 6.Bd3 dxc4 7.Bxc4 b5 8.Bd3 Bb7 The Meran variation in the semi Slav Queen's gambit. 9.0-0 a6 10.Qe2 c5 11.b3 cxd4 12.Nxd4 Nc5! 13.Bc2 b4! 14.Na4 Nxa4 15.bxa4 Be7 16.Bb2 0-0 17.Rfd1 Qb6 18.e4 Rac8 19.Rd2 a5 20.Rad1 Rxc2? [20...Rfd8 normal development was solid.] 21.Rxc2 Bxe4 22.Rcd2 Bd5

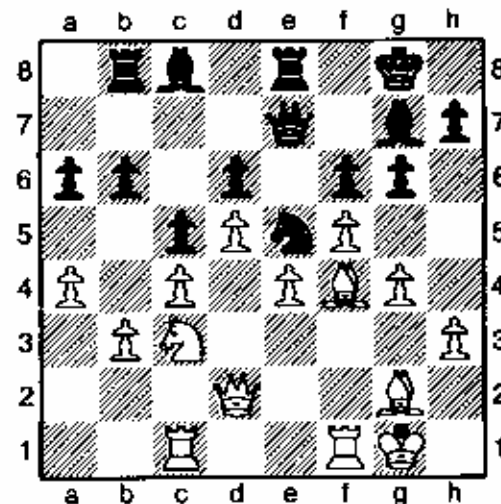


23.Nf5! exf5? [23...Bd8! The best defense.] 24.Qxe7 Re8 25.Bxf6! Rxe7 26.Bxe7 h6 27.Rxd5 Qc6 28.Rxa5 Qc2 29.Rad5 Qxa2 30.Bxb4 Qxa4 31.Bd6 Qe4 The queen remains a passive spectator as white's forces gain key squares. 32.Re5 Qc2 33.Rde1 Qd2 34.Bc5 Qc3 35.h3 Kh7 36.Rte3 Qc2 37.f3 Kg8 38.Kh2 Qd2 39.f4! f6? 40.Rg3+ Kh5 41.Rxf5+ g5 42.Rxf6 gxf4? 43.Rf5+ Kh4 44.Be7# 1-0

(3) Cohen,L (2000) – Quan,Z (2235) [A24]

Tim Just Winter open (2), 2003

1.c4 g6 2.Nc3 Bg7 3.g3 d6 4.Bg2 e5 5.e3 Nf6 6.Nge2 0-0 7.0-0 Nbd7 8.d4 c6 Transposing from the English opening to King's Indian. 9.Bd2 Qc7 10.Rc1 a6 11.b3 b6 12.d5 c5! 13.e4 Rb8 14.a4 Qd8 15.f4 Qe7 16.f5 Re8 17.h3 Nh5 18.g4 Nf4! 19.Nxf4 exf4 20.Bxf4 Ne5 A gambit to gain freedom. 21.Qd2 f6



22.fxg6?! hxg6 23.g5 Bd7 24.Ne2?! b5! Black's pieces gain activity thanks to white's aid in opening

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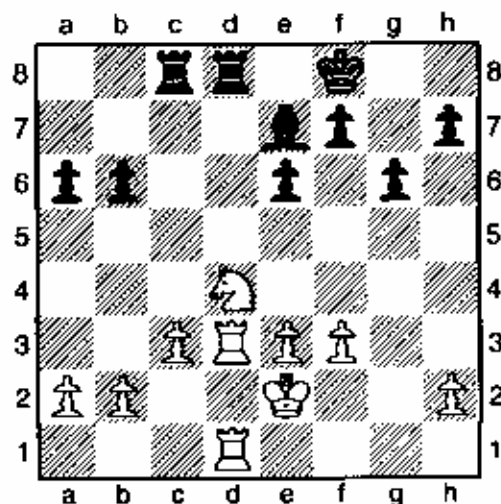
attacking lines. 25.axb5 axb5 26.Rc3? bxc4 27.bxc4 f5 28.Ng3 Rf8! 29.exf5 Bxf5 30.Nxf5 Rxf5 31.h4? Ng4! 32.Rcf3 Bd4+! 33.Kh1 Rb2! 34.Qc1 Qe2 35.Rg3 Nf2+ 36.Rxf2 Qxf2 37.Bxd6 Rf3! 38.Rg4 Re3 39.Kh2 Re1 40.Qf4 Rh1+! 41.Kxh1 Qg1# 0-1

(4) Gorlin, A (2165) – Quan, Z (2235)

Tim Just Winter open (5), 2003

[Albert Chow]

1.e4 c5 2.c3 d5 3.exd5 Qxd5 4.d4 Nf6 5.Nf3 a6 6.Be2 Be7 7.Na3 [7.0-0 is the old main line.] 7...0-0 8.Nc2 [8.Nb5!? was more ambitious.] 8...Nc6 9.Be3 cxd4 10.Ncxd4 Nxd4 11.Qxd4 b6 12.0-0 Bb7= Equalizing after the opening, solid exchanges reach a drawish endgame, promising at least an equal shared first prize, but no chance to be the clear winner (or loser). 13.Rfd1 Qxd4 14.Nxd4 Nd5! 15.Bf3 Nxe3! 16.fxe3 [16.Bxb7? Nxd1 17.Bxa8 Nxb2 favors black.] 16...Bxf3 17.gxf3 Rac8 18.Rd3 Rfd8 19.Rad1 Kf8 20.Kf1 g6 21.Ke2 a6



22.Nc2 Ke8 23.Rxd8+ Rxd8 24.Rxd8+ Kxd8 25.Kd3 Kd7 26.c4 f5 27.b3 g5 28.h3 h5 29.e4 g4 30.fxg4 fxg4 31.hxg4 hxg4 32.Ke3 Bg5+ 33.Kf2 Bh4+ 34.Ke3 Bg3 35.Nb4 a5 36.Nd3 Kd6 37.Ke2 a5 38.Ke3 Bh4 39.Ke2 Bg3 40.Ke3 Bh4 41.Ke2 Bg3 42.Ke3 Bh4 43.Ke2 draw by repetition of moves. 1/2-1/2

(5) Tsyganov, I (2180) – Stamnov, A (2260)

[D18].

Tim Just Winter open (3), 2003

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Nf3 dxc4 5.a4 Bf5 6.e3 e6 7.Bxc4 Bb4 8.0-0 Nbd7 9.Qe2 Bg6 10.Na2 Bd6 11.Bd2 Ne4 12.Bb4 Bxb4 13.Nxb4 Bh5 14.Qc2 Bxf3 15.gxf3 Nd6 16.Be2 0-0 17.Nd3 Qf6 18.Kh1 Rfd8

19.Rac1 Nf5 20.f4 Nh4 21.Ne5 Qe7 22.Rg1 f6 23.Nf3 draw offered and accepted. 1/2-1/2

(6) Gorlin, A (2165) – Stamnov, A (2260)

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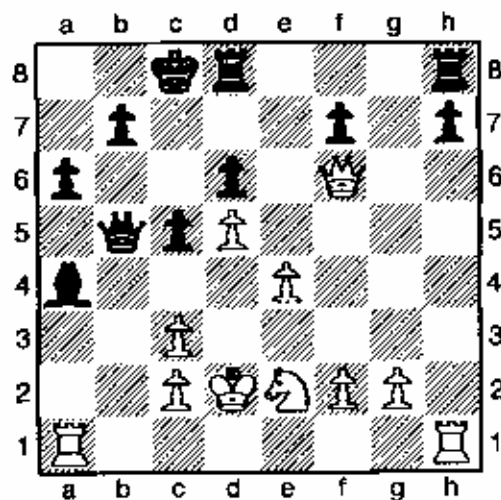
[Albert Chow]

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bb5 Bb4 5.0-0 0-0 6.d3 d6 7.Bg5 Bxc3 8.bxc3 h6 9.Bh4 Bg4 10.h3 Bxf3 11.Qxf3 g5 12.Bg3 Nh7 13.Bc4 Na5 14.Bb3 Kg7 15.d4 Qe7 16.Rad1 f6 17.Qd3 Rh8 18.c4 c5 19.dxc5 dxc5 20.Ba4 Rhd8 21.Qc3 b6 22.Rd5 Rxd5 23.exd5 Rd8 24.Re1 Qf7 25.Bb3 Nb7 26.Qf3 Nd6 27.c3 Qg6 28.Qe2 Nf8 29.Bc2 Qf7 30.h4 Ng6 31.h5 Nf8 32.a4 Re8 33.Bh2 Qd7 34.g4 Qc8 35.f3 Qa6 36.Bb3 Qc8 37.Bc2 Qd7 38.Bg3 Qf7 39.Bd3 Nd7 40.Bg6l Qe7 41.Bxe8 Qxe8 42.f4 gxf4 43.Bxf4 Nf7 44.Bc1 Nf8 45.Qe4 Qxa4 46.Rf1 Nd6 47.Qe3 Nf7 48.Qf3 Nh7 49.Qf5 Qxc4 50.Qg6+ Kh8 51.Qxf7 Qxg4+ 52.Kf2 Qh4+ 53.Ke3 Qh3+ 54.Ke2 [54.Rf3] 54...Qg4+ 55.Kd3 c4+ 56.Kc2 Qe2+ 57.Bd2 Qd3+ 58.Kc1 Qxf1+ 59.Kb2 Qg2 60.Kc1 Qg7 Remaining moves unrecorded due to time pressure, eventually drawn. 1/2-1/2

(7) Stamnov, A (2260) – Szpisjak, S (2205)

[B06] Tim Just Winter open (5), 2003 [Albert Chow]

1.e4 g6 2.d4 d6 3.Nc3 Bg7 Hyper Modern defense. 4.Be2 Nd7 5.h4! c5 6.d5 a6 7.a4 Ngf6 Transposing into a Pirc – Benoni – Indian. [7...h5!? blockade defense!?] 8.h5! Nxh5 [8...0-0!? solid or risky?!] 9.Bxh5 gxh5 10.Qxh5 Bxc3+ 11.bxc3 Qa5 12.Ne2! Nf8 13.Qh4! Bd7 [13...Rg8!? idea 14.Bg5 Nxe4!] 14.Bg5! 0-0-0 [14...Ng8!? passive defense.] 15.Bxf6 exf6 16.Qxf6 Bxa4 17.Kd2l Qb5



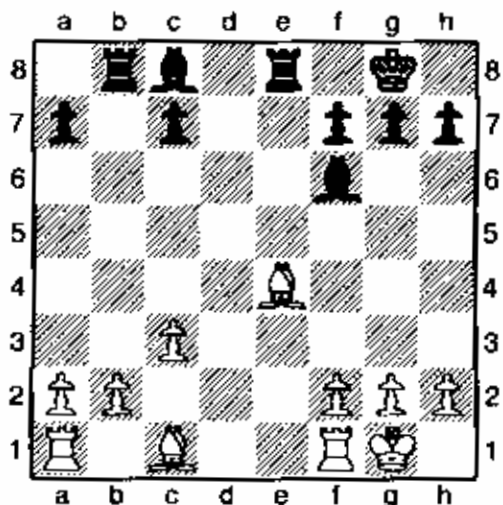
18.Nf4 [18.Qxf7? Bxc2! is counterplay.] 18...Qd7 19.c4 b5 20.Rh3 Rde8 21.f3! Qe7 22.Rh6! Kc7 23.Qxe7+ Rxe7 24.Rah1 [24.cxb5 first followed by Rah1 looks

good too.] 24...bxc4 25.Rxh7 Rxh7 26.Rxh7 Kd7 27.Nh5! Bb5 good knight over bad bishop. 28.Nf6+ Kd8 [28...Kc7 29.Rh8 is also pressure.] 29.Kc3 a5 30.g4! a4 31.Kb2! Rb7 32.g5 c3+ 33.Kxc3 a3 34.Rh8+ Ke7 35.Ra8 unable to save a3 and without counterplay, black resigned. 1-0

(8) Bondar,L (2000) – Szpisjak,S (2205) [C50]

Tim Just Winter open (3), 2003
[Albert Chow]

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Be7! The most solid. Instead 3...Nf6 4.Ng5 Fried Liver or 3...Bc5 4.b4 Evans Gambit create dangerous opening tactics. 4.0-0 Nf6 5.Nc3 [5.d3 d6 Was safe and solid.] 5...Nxe4! 6.Nxe4 d5! fork trick. 7.Bb5 dxe4 8.Nxe5 Qd6 9.d4 0-0 10.Nxc6 bxc6 11.Bc4 Bf6 12.c3 c5? [12...Rb8 active on the b file.] 13.dxc5 Qxc5 14.Qd5! Qxd5 15.Bxd5 Rb8 16.Bxe4 Re8 Active pieces give black some compensation for the lost pawn.



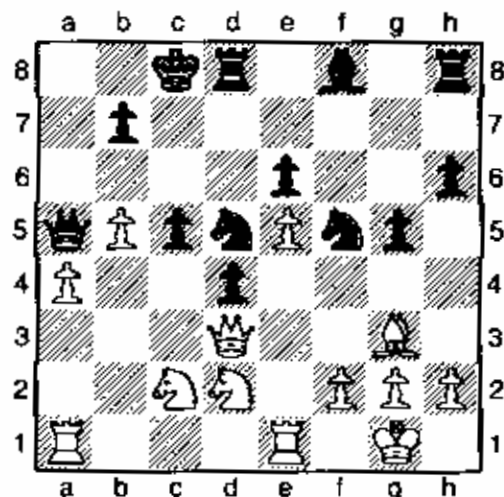
17.f3 g5 18.Rf2 Bb7 19.Be3 Bxe4 20.fxe4 Rxe4 21.Bxa7 Ra8 22.Bc5 Be5 23.g3 f6 24.a3 Kf7 25.Rd1 Ke6 26.Rfd2 h5 27.Kf2 h4 28.Kf3 Kf5 29.Bd4 hxg3 30.hxg3 Rh8 31.Bxe5 fxe5 32.Rf2 g4+ 33.Kg2+ Ke6 34.Rd3? [34.Rh1 was better for white.] 34...Re1! 35.Rdd2?? [35.Rf1 Re2+ 36.Rf2 Rh2+ 37.Kxh2 Rxf2+ 38.Kg1 Rxb2 black has big edge in rook endgame.] 35...Reh1 Hard to stop R8h2 checkmate so white resigns. 0-1

(9) Szpisjak,S (2205) – Monatelli [C02]

Tim Just Winter open (2), 2003

[Albert Chow]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Bd7 6.Be2 f6 7.0-0 fxe5 8.dxe5 Qc7 9.Bf4 Nge7 10.Bd3 h6 11.Na3 a6 12.Re1 g5 13.Bg3 0-0-0 14.c4! d4 15.Nc2 Be8 16.a3! Bg6 17.b4 Bxd3 18.Qxd3 Nf5 19.b5 axb5 20.cxb5 Nce7 21.Nd2 Nd5 22.a4 Qa5



[22...h5 starting kingside counterplay!?] 23.Ne4 Nxc3?! 24.hxc3 Be7 25.Na3! Rhf8 26.Nc4 Qc7 27.a5 Kb8 28.Ncd6 Nb4 29.Qc4 Bxd6 30.exd6 Rxd6 31.Nxd6 Qxd6 32.Rxe6 Qd7 33.Qxc5! Rc8 34.Qd6+ Qxd6 35.Rxd6 Rf8 36.Ra4 Nd3 37.Raxd4 Nxf2 38.Rd8+ Rxd8 39.Rxd8+ Kc7 40.Rd4 Ng4 41.Rxg4 Kd6 42.a6 bxa6 43.bxa6 Kc7 44.Rb4 Unable to stop the new queen, black resigned. 1-0

(10) Szpisjak,S (2205) – Duncan,J (2020) [C02]

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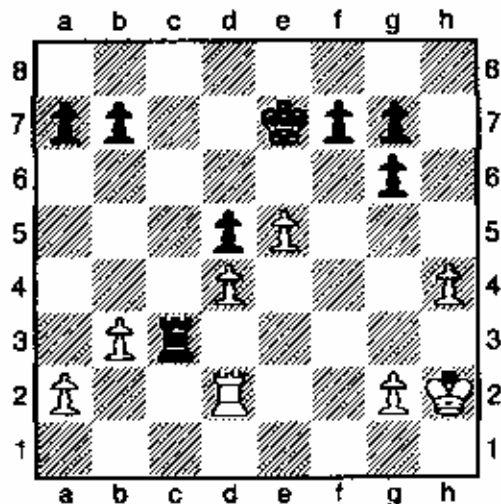
[Albert Chow]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 The Advanced variation in the French defense. 5...Qb8 6.a3 f6 7.b4 cxd4 8.cxd4 Nge7 9.Bd3 Bd7 10.0-0 fxe5 [10...Nxd4?? 11.Nxd4 Qxd4 12.Bg6+ and Qxd4.] 11.dxe5 g6 12.Bb2 Bg7 13.Nbd2 0-0 14.b5 Na5 15.Qa4 a6 16.Qb4 Qd8 17.a4 Nf5 18.Rfc1 axb5 19.axb5 b6 20.Nb3 Nxb3 21.Qxb3 Rxa1 22.Rxa1 Qc7 23.Qa4 Rb8 24.Qa7 Rb7 25.Qa8+ Rb8 26.Qa7 Rb7 27.Qa6 Bf8 28.g3 Bc5 29.Kg2 Ne7 30.Qa4 Kg7 31.Qh4 Ng8 32.Ra8 Rb8 33.Ra1 Rb7 34.Qf4 Ra7 35.h4 Rxa1 36.Bxa1 Be8 37.Bb2 h6 38.Qa4 Bf7 39.g4 Ne7 40.Qa8 Qc8 41.Qa7 Be8 42.Kg3 maintaining the defensive blockade, a draw was agreed. 1/2-1/2

(11) Gorlin,A (2165) – Lacey,P (1755) [B12]

Tim Just Winter open (2), 2003 [Albert Chow]

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 The Advance variant against Caro Kann. 4.Nf3 e6 5.Be2 c5 6.c3 Nc6 7.Be3 cxd4 8.Bxd4 Bg4 9.Nbd2 Nge7 10.0-0 Nxd4 11.Nxd4 Bxe2 12.Qxe2 Nc6 13.f4 Bc5 14.N2b3 Qb6 15.Nxc5 Qxc5 16.Kh1 Nxd4 17.cxd4 Qb6 18.f5 exf5 19.Rxf5 0-0 20.Qf2 Rac8 21.Rf1 Rc7 22.b3 Qe6 23.h4 Rfc8 24.Rf3 Rc1 25.Qg3 Qg6 26.Qxg6 Rxf1+ 27.Rxf1 hxg6 28.Rf2 Kf8? [28...Rc1+! 29.Kh2 Rd1 Was active counterplay for example: 30.Rc2 (30.Rf4 Rd2 31.a4 Rd3 32.b4 Rb3 33.b5 Rb4 black gains a pawn.) 30...Rxd4 31.Rc7 Rxh4+ 32.Kg3 Re4 (32...Rb4 solid.) 33.Rxb7 Rxe5 34.Rxa7 Re2] 29.Rd2 Ke7 30.Kh2 Rc3

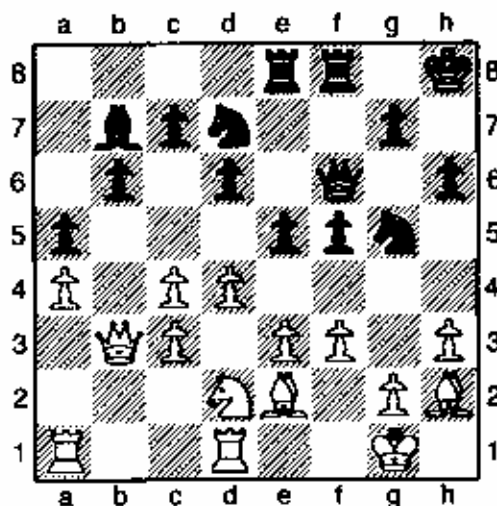


31.g3! b5 32.Kh3 b4 33.Kg4 Ke6 34.Kf4 a6 [34...a5 was good.] 35.g4 Rc1 36.Kg5 Rc3 37.h5 gxh5 38.gxh5 Rg3+ 39.Kf4 Rc3 [39...Rh3!] 40.h6! gxh6 41.Rh2 Rd3 42.Rxh6+ Ke7 43.Rxa6 Rxd4+ 44.Kf5 Rd2 45.Ra7+ Ke8 46.e6 fxe6+ 47.Kxe6 Kd8 48.Kd6 Kc8 49.Kc5 d4 50.Kxb4 Rc2 51.Ra5 d3 52.a4 Kc7 53.Rd5 d2 54.Kb5 Kb7 55.b4 Rb2 56.a5 Ra2 57.Rd7+ Kc8 58.Rd4 Kb7 59.Kc4 Kc6 60.Kb3 black resigns 1-0

(12) Gorodetskiy,S (1715) – Gorlin,A (2165) [A40]

Tim Just Winter open. (3), 2003 [Albert Chow]

1.c4 e6 2.Nc3 b6 3.d4 Bb7 4.Bf4 Bb4 5.e3 Nf6 Black transposes to a Nimzo – Queens Indian. 6.h3 Ne4 7.Qc2 f5 8.Nf3 0-0 London system vs. Dutch defense. 9.Be2 [9.Bd3 is active on the e4 square.] 9...d6 10.0-0 Bxc3! 11.bxc3 Qe8 12.Rfb1 Nd7 13.a4 a5! 14.Rd1?! [14.c5 dynamic!?] 14...h6 15.Nd2 Qg6 16.f3 Ng5! 17.Kf2?! e5! 18.Bh2 Qf6 19.Qb3 Kh8 20.Kg1 Rae8



White has wasted a few tempo to add to blacks initiative. 21.Nf1 Qg6 22.Kh1 Nf6 23.c5! dxc5 24.Bxe5 cxd4 25.cxd4 Nd5 26.Rac1 Re7 27.Rd2 Nf7 28.Bh2 Nd6 29.Bd1 Rfe8 30.Rdc2?? hangs e3. [30.Bg1 solid.; 30.Be5 active.] 30...Nxe3 31.Nxe3 Rxe3 32.Qb2 Re1+ 33.Bg1 Ba6 34.Kh2 f4 35.Bf2 Nf5! 36.Rc6 Qg3+! 37.Bxg3 fxc3# 0-1

(13) Aaron,M (1935) – Stevanovic,M (2010) [A55]

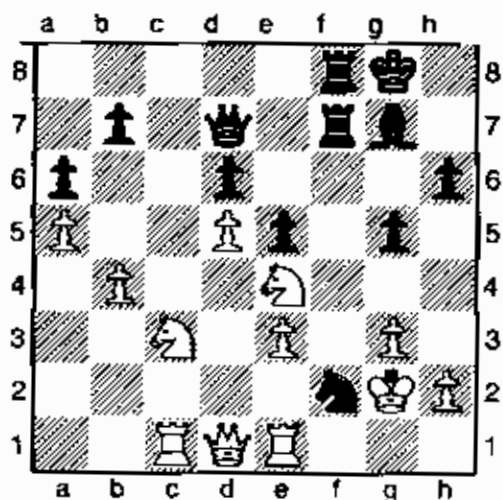
Tim Just Winter open. (3), 2003

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 d6 3.d4 Nbd7 4.Nc3 e5 5.e4 c6 6.Be2 Be7 7.0-0 0-0 The Old Indian defense. 8.Qc2 a6 9.Be3 b5 10.b4 Bb7 11.Rfd1 Qc7 12.a4 bxc4 13.dxe5 dxe5 14.Rab1 a5! 15.bxa5 Rxa5 16.Bxc4 Bc5! 17.Bd2 Ra7 18.Ne2 Bb6 19.Ng3 Ba6 draw agreed. 1/2-1/2

(14) Aaron,M (1935) – Gandhi,R (1835) [E97]

Tim Just Winter open. (2), 2003 [Albert Chow]

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 d6 3.d4 g6 4.Nc3 Bg7 5.e4 0-0 6.Be2 e5 7.0-0 Nc6 8.d5 Ng7 The main line Classical Kings Indian. 9.b4 h6 10.c5 Nh5 11.Re1! Nf4 12.Bf1 g5 [12...a5 is a thematic counter.] 13.Nd2! f5 14.g3 Nfg8 Black is threatening 15...f4! 15.exf5! Bxf5 16.Nde4 Rf7 17.cxd6 cxd6 18.Be3 a6 19.a4 Qd7 20.a5 Bg4 21.Be2 Bxe2 [21...Bh3 maintains the tension.] 22.Qxe2 Raf8 23.Rac1 Nf5 24.Qh5 Nf4?! 25.Qd1 [25.gxf4! exf4 26.Bd2 Nh4 27.Kh1 Qh3 28.Rg1 It seems white could have taken a risk and accept the knight sacrifice.] 25...Nxe3 26.fxe3 Nh3+ 27.Kg2 Nf2



28.Qe2 Qh3+ 29.Kg1 Ng4 30.Qg2! Qxg2+ [30...Qh5 Maybe retaining queens in the middlegame for counter play was more in the spirit of the Kings Indian.] 31.Kxg2 Rd8 32.h3! forces another favorable exchange. 32...Nf6 33.Nxf6+! Rxf6 34.Ne4! Rf7 35.g4! Bf6 36.Rf1! Be7 37.Rxf7 Kxf7 38.Rc7! Ke8 Whites rook on the seventh rank and good knight outpost over bad bishop make picture perfect endgame technique easy. 39.Rxb7 Ra8 40.Rb6 Kd7 41.Kf3 Kc7 42.Rc8+ Kd7 43.Ke2 Rb8 44.Rc4 Rb5 45.Nc3 Rb7 46.Kd3 Bd8 47.Na2 Rc7 48.Rxc7+ Kxc7 49.Ke4! Kd7 50.Kf5 Be7 51.Kg6 Bf8 52.Kf7 Be7 53.Nc3 Bd8 54.Kg6 Ke7 55.Ne4 before dropping both the h6 and g5 pawns, black resigned. 1-0

(15) Hernandez, H (1920) - Szpisjak, S (2205) [A46]

Tim Just Winter open (1), 2003
[Albert Chow]

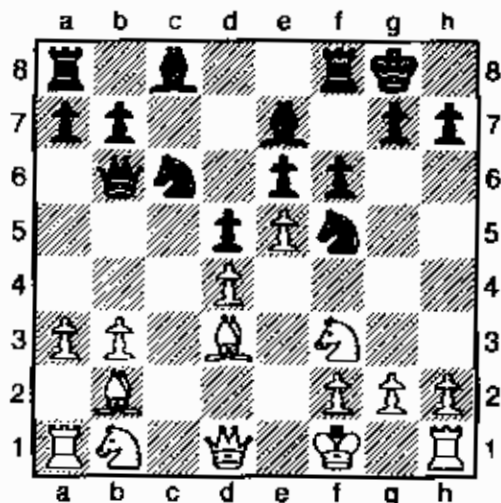
1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.Bf4 Nc6 London system meets black Knight's Tango or Mexican defense. 4.e3 d6 5.c4 g6 6.Nc3 Bg7 7.Rc1 0-0 8.Be2 Bd7 The middlegame structure takes on the shape of a classical Kings Indian. 9.0-0 [9.h3 and Bh2 would retain the bishop pair.] 9...Nh5! 10.Bg5 f8 11.Bh4 Bh6! 12.Nd2 Ng7 13.Bd3 e5 14.d5 Nb4 [14...Ne7 also works.] 15.Bb1 Nf5 16.Nf3 [16.Bg3 Nxc3 17.hxg3 a5 was also playable.] 16...Nxe4 17.Nxe4 f5 18.Nf3 a5! 19.a3 Na6 20.Na2 g5 21.Nd2 a4! 22.Qh5 Qf6 23.Nc3 Nc5 24.Bc2 Bg7 25.Kh1 g4 26.e4 f4 27.Bd1! Nd3 [27...Qg6 28.Qxg6 hxg6 another good middle game-end game for black.] 28.Bxg4! [28.Rb1 passive but solid.] 28...Bxg4 29.Qxg4 Nxc1 30.Rxc1 Rf7 We must prove enough compensation: blockade pawns and out post knights frustrate rooks. 31.Nf3 [31.Qd1! idea Nxa4.] 31...h6 32.Qh3 Qg6 33.Nh4 Qh5 34.Nf5 Qxh3

35.gxh3 Kh7 36.f3 Bf6! 37.Rg1 Rd7 38.h4 h5! 39.Rd1 Ra6 40.Rd2 Bd8 41.Rg2 c6! 42.Rc2 Bb6 43.Rg2 Bd4 [43...Bd8 repeats.] 44.Rg5! Bxc3 45.Rxh5+ Kg8 46.Rg5+ Kh8 47.bxc3 Rb6 48.Rg6 cxd5 49.cxd5 Rb3 50.Rh6+ Kg8 51.Rg6+ Kh7 [51...Kf8 52.Rh6! Rxc3 53.Rh8+ Kf7 54.Rh7+ Ke8 55.Rh8+ also draws.] 52.Rh6+ Kg8 draw agreed due to repetition of moves. 1/2-1/2

(16) Gandhi, R (1835) - Gorlin, A (2165) [C02]

Tim Just Winter open (1), 2003
[Albert Chow]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Be2 cxd4 7.cxd4 Nh6 8.b3 [8.Nc3 Nf5 9.Na4 is an alternative] 8...Nf5 9.Bb2 Bb4+ 10.Kf1 0-0 11.a3 Be7 This variation of Advance French gives black good play since white is deprived of his castling privilege. 12.Bd3 f6



13.g4f7 [13.Bxf5 exf5 14.Nc3 Be6 15.Ne2 was solid and logical.] 13...Nfxd4! 14.Nxd4 fxe5! 15.Qc2 [15.Nf3 e4 with a strong attack by black.] 15...Nxd4 16.Bxd4 Qxd4 17.Bxh7+ Kh8 18.Nc3 Bh4! 19.Nd17 Qxa1 20.Kg2 e4! 21.Bg6 Qf6 22.Qc5 Qf3+ white resigns. 0-1

(17) Higgins, D (1750) - Flores, J [C02]

Tim Just Winter Reserve (5), 2003
[Albert Chow]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qa5 6.dxc5 Qxc5 7.Bd3 Nge7 8.0-0 Ng6 9.Re1 Be7 10.Na3 Bd7 11.Nc2 Qb6 12.Qe2 0-0 13.h4 f5 14.exf6 Bxf6 15.Bg5 Rae8 16.Ne3 Nge5 17.Nxe5 Nxe5 18.Bxf6 Rxf6 19.Bxh7+ Kxh7 20.Qh5+ Kg8 21.Qxe5 Qxb2 22.f3 Bc6 23.Ng4 Rf5 24.Qd4 e5! 25.Qb4 Qxb4 26.cxb4 e4 27.fxex4 dxe4 28.Rad1 [28.Ne3 was solid and equal.]

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28...Rf4! 29.Ne3 Rxh4 30.Rd2 a6 31.Nf5 Rf4 32.Nd6 Re6 33.Nc4 g5 34.Re3 Kg7 35.Na5 Kf6 36.Rd8 Kf5 37.Nxc6 Rxc6 38.Rf8+ Kg4 remaining score unclear: black won on move 50. 0-1

(18) Lyon, D (1645) – Sullivan, G [C78]

Tim Just Reserve (2), 2003

[Albert Chow]

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 b5 6.Bb3 Bb7 7.c3 Be7 8.Re1 d6 9.d4 h6 10.d5 Nb8 11.Nbd2 0-0 12.Nf1 c6 13.dxc6 Bxc6 14.Ng3 Nbd7 Tension in Ruy Lopez Spanish game. 15.Bc2 Nc5 16.Qe2 Ra7? [16...Re8 is solid.] 17.Be3! Pin 17...Qb8? 18.b4! Win 18...Ne6 19.Bxa7 Qxa7 20.Nf5 Nf4 21.Qe3 Qb7 22.Nxe7+ Qxe7 23.Rad1 Qc7 24.Nh4 Bd7 25.Qd2 Ne8 26.Re3 Bg4 27.f3 Be6 28.Bb3 Bc8? 29.g3 Nh5 30.Ng6! Nhf6 31.Nxf8 Kxf8 32.a3 Qe7 33.Kh1 [33.Rd3 and 34.Rxf6! returning an exchange is the fastest win.] 33...Be6 34.Ba2 Bxa2 35.Qxa2 Nc7 36.Qd2 Nfe8 37.Kg1 Kg8 38.Kf1 Kf8 39.Kg1 Kg8 40.Kf1 Kf8 41.Qd3 Qe6 42.Qc2 Qc4+ 43.Kf2 Ke7 44.Rb1 Na8 45.a4 Nb6 46.axb5 Qxb5 47.Ra1 Nc7 48.Ra5 Qc6 49.Re1 Nc4 50.Raa1 Qb6+ 51.Kg2 Ne3+ 52.Rxe3 Qxe3 53.Rd1 Qb6 54.Qd2 Qc6 55.c4! Ne6 56.Qd5 Qc7 57.b5 axb5 58.Qxb5 Nd4 59.Qa6 Ke6 60.Rb1 and white eventually won. 1-0

(19) Chen, B – Sullivan, G [C59]

Tim Just Reserve (5), 2003

[Albert Chow]

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Nf6 4.Ng5 d5 5.exd5 Na5 6.Bb5+ c6 7.dxc6 bxc6 8.Be2 h6 9.Nf3 Bd6 [9...e4! gains tempo.] 10.d3 0-0 11.0-0 Rb8 12.Nc3 Nd5 13.Ne4 Bc7 14.a3 f5 15.Ng3 c5 16.c4 Nf6 17.Qc2 Nb3 18.Rb1 g5 19.Nd2 Nxd2 [19...Nd4 outpost!] 20.Bxd2 f4 21.Ne4 Nxe4 22.dxe4 g4 23.Qc3 Qf6 24.Rbe1 Be6 25.Kh1 Rf7 26.Rg1 h5 27.Re1 h4 28.f3 g3 29.h3 Qe7 30.Rb1 Qd7 31.Rgd1 Qc8 32.Qc2? [32.Bf1 must guard h3.] 32...Bxh3! 33.Bf1 Be6 34.Bc3 Qf8 35.Kg1 Qh6 36.b4 Kh7 37.bxc5 Rg8 38.Rb7 h3 39.c6 Bb6+ 40.Bd4?? exd4 41.Rxf7+ Bxf7 42.Qd3 hxg2 [42...Bxc4! 43.Qxc4 d3+ 44.Kh1 hxg2+ 45.Kxg2 Qh2#] 43.Bxg2 Qxc6 44.Qd2 Rc8 45.Qxf4 Qg6 46.Qh4+ Kg7 47.Rc1 Rxc4 48.Rxc4 Bxc4 49.Qe7+ Qf7 50.Qg5+ draw agreed in a winning endgame for black?! ½-½

(1) Chen, B – Griffin, L [B03]

Tim Just Reserve (1), 2003

[Albert Chow]

1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.d4 e6 [3...d6! Alekhine's defence.] 4.Nf3 Bb4+ 5.c3 Ba5? [5...Be7 is better, covering g5.] 6.Bd3 0-0?? 7.Bxh7+! Kxh7 8.Ng5+ Kg8 [8...Kg6 9.h4! catches the wandering king without

any shield.] 9.Qh5 Re8 10.Qxf7+ Kh8 11.Qh5+ Kg8 12.Qh7+ Kf8 13.Qh8+ Ke7 14.Qxg7# 1-0

(21) Chen, B – Hernandez, H (1900) [B09]

Heartland Semi class (3), 2002

[Albert Chow]

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 d6 4.f4 Nf6 5.Nf3 Bg4 6.Bd3 0-0 7.e5?! dxe5 8.fxe5 Nd5 9.Nxd5?! Qxd5 10.c3 c5! 11.Be3 cxd4 12.cxd4 Nc6 13.Be2 Rfd8 14.0-0 Rac8 15.a3 Qe4! 16.Qd2 Nxd4 [16...Nxe5! black is much better.] 17.Nxd4 Bxe2 18.Qxe2 Rxd4 19.Qf2! Rdd8 20.Qxf7+ Kh8 21.Rfe1 Rc2 22.Bf2 Qf5 23.Qxf5 gxf5 24.Rad1 Rdd2 25.Rxd2 Rxd2 26.Bxa7 Rxb2 27.Bc5 Rb5 28.Bxe7 Rxe5 29.Rd1 Kg8 [29...Rxe7 30.Rd8+ Bf8 31.Rxf8+ Kg7 32.Rxf5±] 30.Bg5 Kf7?! 31.Rd7+ Kg6 32.Rxb7 Ra5? [32...Bf8! should win a3 and draw.] 33.Be7± Bd4+ 34.Kf1 f4 35.Rd7 Be3 36.Bb4 Ra6? 37.Rd6+! Rxd6 38.Bxd6 Kf5 39.Ke2 Ke4 40.Bb4 h5 41.a4 Kd5 42.Bd2 Bb6 43.Bxf4 Kc6 44.Kf3 Bd8 45.Kg3 Kb6 46.Bd2 Bc7+ 47.Kh3 Bd8 48.a5+ Ka6 49.g3 Be7 50.Kg2 Bd6 51.Bf4 Be7 52.Bc7 Kb7 53.Bb6 Ka6 54.Kf3 Bg5 55.h4 Bd2 56.g4 hxg4+ 57.Kxg4 Kb7 58.h5 Ka6 59.Kf5 Bc1 60.Bd8 Bd2 61.Bg5 Bc3 62.h6 black resigns. 1-0

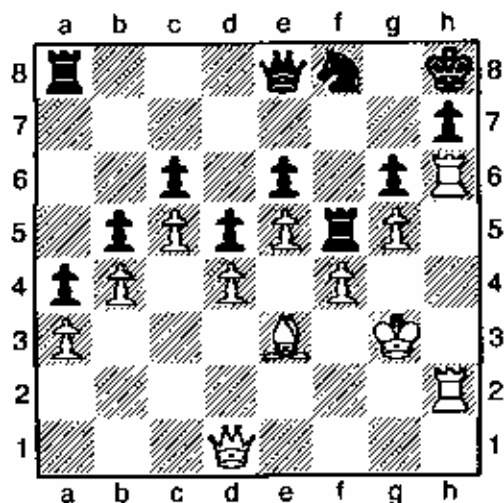
(22) Kaufman, L (2445) – Warren, J (2000) [B12]

2002 U.S. Open, 2002

[Jim Warren]

It was the first time in this 68 year-old life expert's fifty years of chess tournament play that I drew my games with an International master and a FIDE master the same day! The Life Expert title was awarded to me in 1996, 39 years after first achieving an expert rating in 1957. I maintained it for the great majority of those years (dropping into class A briefly just twice.) My highest published rating was 2171. Had I withdrawn from the U.S. Open in Omaha, Nebraska, 1959 at the appropriate point I would have had a published Masters rating and would have been eligible to play in the U.S. Masters! I had drawn with Senior Master Robert Steinmeyer and IM Elaezar Jimenez, Cuban Champion. Well enough reminiscing, we tend to do that when we reach this age. Cherry Hill, New Jersey, a suburb of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, was the site of the 2002 U.S. Open. It drew 525 players, including 21 GMs, 15 IMs, and 18 FMs. My 5-4 score included 2 wins, 1 loss, 4 draws, and 2 half-point byes. IM Larry Kaufman earned his IM title in 1980 and has played in two U.S. Championships including Seattle 2002 where he defeated GM Dmitry Gurevich and drew GMs Y. Seirawan and S. Kudrin. 1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 The Advance Caro Kann variation is very popular

these days. 4.Be3 e6 5.Nd2 Nd7 6.c3 Qb6 [6...Ne7 7.f4 f6 8.Ngf3 fxe5 9.Nxe5 Nxe5 10.fxe5 Ng6 11.Qh5 Qb6 12.b4 Be7 Was Zaichik - Tal, Tbilisi, 1986.; 6...c5 7.f4 cxd4 8.Bxd4 Ne7 9.Ngf3 Nc6 10.Be2 Bc5 11.Nb3 Bb6 12.Bd3= Vanka - Lakatic, Praha, 1988] 7.b4 a5 8.a3 Ne7 9.f4 Nc8 10.Ngf3 Be7 11.Be2 Qd8 Unable to get in ...c5, black switches his queen to the kingside. 12.Kf2 0-0 13.h3 Bg6 14.g4 f5 15.Kg2 a4 16.c4 Ndb6 17.c5 Nd7 18.Nf1 b5 19.Ng3 [19.cxb6 was better, followed by pressure on black's backward c pawn.] 19...Kh8 20.h4 fxg4 21.Ng5 Bxg5 22.hxg5 Ne7 23.Bxg4 Nf5 24.Nxf5 Bxf5 25.Rh3 Qe8 26.Kg3 g6 27.Ra2 Rf7 28.Bxf5 Rxf5 29.Rah2 Nf8 30.Rh6 draw agreed.



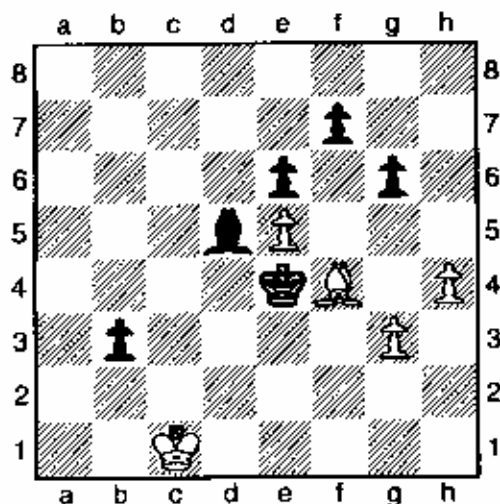
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(23) Warren, J (2000) - Casella, M (2355) [D87]

2002 U.S. Open, 2002
[Albert Chow]

Fide master Michael Casella is a 34 year-old Californian achieving an excellent result in the Edward Levy Memorial tournament in Denver, Colorado 2002. He won the under 2400 prize winning over GM Alex Yermolinsky and drawing GM Alek Wojtkiewiltz. He's also a 3 time Connecticut state champion. See Jerry Hanken's interview with Casella on page 27 of Sept Chess Life 2002. 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.cxd5

Nxd5 5.e4 Nxc3 6.bxc3 Bg7 7.Bc4 c5 8.Ne2 0-0 9.0-0 Nc6 10.Be3 Qc7 11.Rc1 Rd8 12.Qe1 Qa5 13.Rd1 cxd4 14.cxd4 Qxe1 15.Rfxe1 b6 16.f3 Bb7 17.e5 [17.d5 Ne5 black stands better.] 17...Rac8 18.Rc1 Kf8? [18...Na5! is stronger as white's king bishop lacks a good retreat square.] 19.a3! Clearing a2 for white's bishop and preventing Nb4 - d5. 19...Na5 20.Ba2 Ba6 21.Rxc8 Rxc8 22.Rc1 Rxc1+ 23.Nxc1 Nc4 24.Bxc4 Bxc4 25.Kf2 Ke8 26.Ke1 Kd7 27.Kd2 e6 28.Kc3 Bf1 29.g3 Bf8 30.Kb2 Kc6 31.Nb3 Be2 32.Nd2 a5 33.Ne4! Bxf3 34.Ng5 Kd5 35.Nxh7 [35.Nxf3 Ke4 is untenable for white.] 35...Ke4 36.Bf4 Be7 37.Ng5+ Bxg5 38.Bxg5 Kxd4 39.Bf4 [39.Bf6 may also hold a draw.] 39...b5 40.h4 Bd5 41.Kc2 b4 42.axb4 axb4 43.Kb2 Ke4 44.Kc1 b3



45.Kb2 Kf5 46.Kc3 f6 47.exf6 e5 48.Bd2 Kg4 49.Be1 Kf3 50.Kb2 Bf7 51.Ka3 e4 52.Kb2 e3 53.Ka3! Ke2 54.Bc3 Kd3 55.Kb2 [55.Be1? Kc2 fails.] 55...Ke4 56.Be1 Kd4 57.Bc3+ Kd3 58.Be1 Be6 59.Bc3 Ke4 A clear draw, black can only hope for a mistake. 60.Be1 Kf5 61.Bc3 Bf7 62.Ka3 g5 63.hxg5 Kxg5 64.Kb2 Kg4 65.Be1 Kf3 66.Ka3 Ke2 67.Bc3 Kd3 68.Kb2 Be6 69.Be1 Kc4 70.Bc3 Kd3 71.Be1 Ke2 72.Bc3 Kf3 73.Be1 Bc4 74.Ka3 Ke2 75.Bc3 Kd3 76.Kb2 Ke4 77.Be1 Kf3 78.Ka3 e2 79.Kb2 Be6 80.Ka3 Ke3 81.Kb2 Kd3 82.Bc3 Bf7 83.Be1 Ke4 84.Bc3 Kf5 85.Ka3 Kg4 86.Be1 Kf3 87.Kb2 Kg2 88.g4 Kf3 draw agreed 1-0

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(2) A. Chang - H. Henderson [E34]

[BRENT]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 d5 5.e3 Ne4 6.a3
 DIAGRAM(6.Bd3 maintaining the tension f5 7. Nge2 0-0 8.0-0 c5 9. f3 Nc3 10. bc3 Ba5 11. dc5 +- or 6. Bd3 Bxc3 7. bxc3 f5 8. Nge2 0-0 9. 0-0 c5 10. f3+-.)
 6...Bxc3+ 7.bxc3 0-0 8.Bd3 f5 9.Nf3 Nge2 is preferable to kick the Knight with f3. 9...Nd7 10.0-0 c5 11.a4 b6 12.Ba3 Bb7 13.cxd5 exd5 14.Rfc1? c4 followed by Rfd1 and Rac1 . 14...Rf6 15.Rab1 c4 with the pair Bishop white have to open up the game . 15...c4 16.Bf1 f4 Black position should aim at the castle king more forceful would be 16... Rh6 then g5-g4 with a tremendous attack. 17.Re1 Qc7 18.Nd2 Nxd2 19.Qxd2 f3 20.gxf3 Rxf3 21.Bg2 Rf6 22.Rb5 Rg6 23.Kh1 Nf6 24.Rb2 Ng4 25.f4 Re8 (Rh6 26.h3 Re8 27. Kg1 Nf6 +-). 26.Bf3 Qd7 27.a5 Qe6 28.axb6 axb6 29.Bxg4 Qxg4 30.Qe2 Qh3 31.Qf2 Bc8 32.Rg1 Rxg1+ 33.Kxg1 Re6 34.f5 Rf6 35.Qg3 Qxf5 36.Rf2 Qb1+ 37.Kg2 Qe4+ 38.Kg1 Qb1+ 39.Kg2 Rxf2+ 40.Qxf2 Qe4+ 41.Kg1 Bf5 42.Bb4 h5 43.Qf4 Qb1+ 44.Qf1 Qc2 45.Qf2 Qc1+ 46.Kg2 Be4+ 47.Kg3 Qd1 48.h3 Qh1 49.Qh2 Qe1+ 50.Qf2 Qh1 51.Qf8+ Kh7 52.Qf2 Qd1 53.Kh2 Qh1+ 54.Kg3 Qd1 55.Bd6 Kg6 56.Be5 h4+ 57.Kxh4 Qh5+ 58.Kg3 Qg5+ 59.Kh2 Bf5 60.Qg3 Qxg3+ 61.Kxg3 Kg5 62.Bxg7 b5 63.Bf8 Be4 64.Bb4 Bf5 65.Be7+ Kg6 66.Kh4 ½-½

(1) Betaneli, A - Petkov, P [D26]

Elmhurst Classic Elmhurst College (4). 19.01.2002

[BRENT]

1.c4 c6 2.e4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.cxd5 white can transpose to Caro-kann defence (Panov Attack) 4. d4 Nf6 5. Nc3 Nc6 6. Nf3 Bg4 7. cxd5 Nxd5 8. Qb3 Bxf3 9. gf3 e6 10. Qxb7 Nxd4 11. Bb5+ Nxb5 12. Qc6+ Ke7 13. Qxb5 Qd7 14. Nxd5+ Qxd5 15. Qd5 exd5 = with even chances. 4...Qxd5 5.Nc3 Qd8 6.Bc4 e6 (Diagram)GM Ashley - Zaremba US Master continued with 6...Nf6 7.Nf3 e6 8. 0-0 Be7 9.d4 0-0 10.Qe2 Nbd7 11. Re1 Nb6 12. Bb3 Nbd5 13. Ne5 Nc3 14.bxc3 Qc7 15. Qf3 Bd7 16. Qh3 Rad8 17. Bc2 g6 18. Bh6 Rfe8 19.Bb3 Qd6 20. Rad1 b5 21. Qf3 Qb6 22. g4 g5 23. h4 1-0

7.Nf3 Nf6 8.0-0 Be7 9.d4 0-0 10.Bb3 this only loses time . White should play 10. a3 Nc6 11. Qd3 Na4 12. Ba2 a6 13. Re1 b5 14. Bg5 with attack on the kingside. 10...Nbd7 11.Bg5 Nb6 12.Qd3 Nfd5 13.Bxe7? (Diagram)Another weak move, better was 13. Bd2 preserving the Bishop from exchange. If 13...Bf6 then 14. Ne4Bd7 15. Bc2 or a4-a5 harassing

the Knight on b6. 13...Qxe7? much better is 13.. Nxe7 14.Rad1 Nbd5 followed by b6 and Bb7 or a6 -b5 then Bb7. 14.Nxd5 Nxd5 15.Bxd5 exd5 16.Rfe1 Qd8 17.Rac1 Be6 18.Re5+- White is superior due to black bad Bishop. 18...h6 19.Rce1 Rc8 20.Nd2 Qc7 21.Qa3 a6 22.f4 another try is to bring the knight to c3 putting pressure on d5 pawn Nb1 - Nc3. 22...Qc2 23.Nb3 Rcd8 24.Nc5 Bc8 25.Nd3 Qc8 26.Nb4 26.Qc5 exchanging Queen to a better endgame if 26... Qxc5 27. Nxc5 b6 28. Na4(b5 29. Nc5) Rd6 29. Re7 +- . 26...Qc4 27.Qc3 Qb5 28.Qc5 Qxc5 29.dxc5 d4 30.h3? its better to stop the pawn with Nd3. 30...d3 31.Rd1 Rd4 32.Nd5 Be6 33.Ne7+ Nc3 is still preferable. 33...Kh7 34.b3 Re8 35.Nf5 Rxf4 36.Nd6 Bxb3! Brilliant shot! white is helpless .37. axb3 Re5. 37.Rxe8 Bxd1 Now the pawn is unstoppable. 38.Nxb7 Rd4 39.Nd8 if Re1 Bc2 and d2 wins . 39...Ba4 40.c6 d2 41.Nxf7 d1Q+ 42.Kh2 Bxc6 43.Rh8+ Kg6 44.Ne5+ Kf6 45.Nxc8 Rd2 46.Rf8+ Ke6 47.Rf4 Rxa2 48.Nd4+ Ke5 49.Rg4 Qxd4 0-1

Bled Olympiad 2002

As expected the Russian dominate the Olympiad with the participation of the highest rated player of the world, Former world champion GM Garry Kasparov. This is his first appearance since the 1996 event in Yerevan, Armenia.

The US score was disappointing, but it was overshadowed by GM Seirawan. He had wonderful performance earning him a silver medal on board 2.

Despite GM Kasparov's amazing performance on board 1. He did not win the gold medal. The honor went to Robert Gwayze of Zimbabwe who score 9 out of 9 against relatively weak opponents compared to GM Kasparov.

Hungary, with the presence of the world's strongest woman, GM Judith Polgar, garnered second place. The only team that beat the Russian team. Judith Polgar had spectacular results scoring 8 ½ - 2 ½ to win the bronze medal. Here is top ten results for Men & Women:

Standings:

Men's: 1 Russia 38½ 2 Hungary 37½ 3 Armenia 35 4 Georgia 34 5 China 33½ 6 Netherlands 33½ 7 England 33½ 8 Slovakia 33 9 Israel 33 10 Yugoslavia 33 11 FYR Macedonia 33 12 Switzerland 33

Games from IM Young

Women: 1 China 29½ 2 Russia 29 3 Poland 28 4 Georgia 27½ 5 Hungary 25½ 6 Ukraine 25½ 7 Yugoslavia 25½ 8 Azerbaijan 25½ 9 United States 25 10 Czech Republic 25

Selected Games:

Kasparov, G (2838) - Mchedlishvili, M (2551) [B63]
Olympiad Bled SLO (4), 29.10.2002

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 Nf6 4.Nc3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Nc6 6.Bg5 in the game GM Ivanchuk - GM Smirin went on 6...Qb6 7. Nb3 e6 8. Be2 Be7 9. 0-0 0-0 10. Bxf6 gxf6 11. Kh1 Kh8 12.f4 Rg8 13. Qe1 Bd7 14. Rf3 Rg7 with equal chances. 6...e6 7.Qd2 Qb6 8.0-0-0 Qxd4 9.Qxd4 Nxd4 10.Rxd4+- White is enjoying space & development advantage 10...a6 by trading off the queens doesn't guarantee black some comfort. GM Kasparov is very precise and unique player. 11.f3 Strengthen the center and stopping possible Ng4. 11...Bd7 12.Na4 Bc6 13.Nb6 Rd8 14.Nc4 Be7 15.Na5 Rc8 16.Rb4 d5 17.Nxc6 bxc6 18.Rb7 Nd7 19.Bd2! Keeping the pair Bishop! 19...Ra8 20.Rc7 Ne5 (c5 is met by 21. exd5 exd5 22. Bd3 with the idea of Bf5 and Re1). 21.Bc3 Bd6 22.Bxe5 Bxe5 23.Rxc6 dxe4 24.Rxa6 Rxa6 25.Bxa6 (Queenside pawns will tell the story. The rest is a matter of technique). 25...exf3 26.gxf3 Ke7 27.a4 Rd8 28.h3 a precise move to free the Rook. 28...Rd4 29.Bb5 Rf4 30.Rd1 Rxf3 31.a5 Rf5 32.Rd7+ Kf6 33.Rb7 Bf4+ 34.Kb1 Be3 35.a6 Rd5 36.b4 Rd8 37.c4 1-0

Polgar, J (2685) - Mamedyarov, S (2580) [C80]
Olympiad Bled SLO (4), 29.10.2002

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Nxe4 Ruy Lopez (open) 6.d4 b5 7.Bb3 d5 8.dxe5 Be6 9.Nbd2 Nc5 10.c3 d4 in the game of GM Anand - GM Korneev went on 10...Be7 11. Bc2 0-0 12. Re1 d4 13. Nb3 dc3 14.bc3 Qd1 15. Rxd1 Rad8 16. Bg5 Rxd1 17.Rxd1 Na4 18.Na5 with a slight advantage to white. 11.Ng5 Bd5 12.Nxf7 Similar to Fried Liver Attack! White Sac! It's knight to expose black king. 12...Kxf7 13.Qf3+ Ke6 14.Qg4+ Kf7? 14... Ke7 was seen in the Game GM Svidler - GM Anand 15. e6 Be6 16.Re1 Qd7 17.Be6 Ne6 18.Nf3 Re8 19.Ng5 Ncd8 20. Bd2.h6 21.Nf3 Qd5 1/2- 1/2 in 69 moves Dos Hermanas 15.Qf5+ Ke7 16.e6 Bxe6 16... Nxb3 is met by 17. Nxb3 Be6 18 Re1 Qd5 19. Nc5 wins for white 17.Re1 Qd6 18.Bxe6 Nxe6 19.Ne4 Qe5 20.Bg5+ Kd7 21.Nc5+ Bxc5 22.Qf7+ Kd6 23.Be7+ Kd5 24. Bxc5 Qf6 25. Qd7 + Kc5 26. Re6+- Black resign. 1-0

Miniature Games at the Olympiad

Speelman, J (2583) - Bratovic, B (2293) [A45]
Olympiad Bled SLO (1), 26.10.2002

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bg5 Ne4 3.Bf4 c5 4.f3 Qa5+ 5.c3 Nf6 6.d5 d6 7.e4 g6 8.Nd2 Bg7 9.Nc4 Qd8 10.a4 0-0 11.Qd2 b6 12.Ne2 Na6 13.Ng3 Nc7 14.Be2 h5 15.0-0 Rb8 16.Rfd1 a6 17.Ra3 h4 18.Nh1 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.Na5 Bd7 21.b4 c4 22.Nf2 Ra8 23.Bg5 h3 24.g3 Nh7 25.Bh6 1-0

Bu Xiangzhi (2601) - Barle, J (2350) [A40]
Olympiad Bled SLO (3), 28.10.2002

1.d4 e6 2.c4 b6 3.a3 c5 4.d5 exd5 5.cxd5 Ba6 6.g3 d6 7.Bg2 g6 8.Nc3 Bg7 9.Bf4 Nf6 10.Qa4+ Ke7 11.Nf3 Re8 12.0-0 Qd7 13.Qc2 Kf8 14.Ng5 Qc7 15.Nce4 Nxe4 16.Nxe4 Rd8 17.Bg5 Re8 18.Nf6 Rxe2 19.Qa4 Bxf6 20.Bxf6 c4 21.Rfe1 Qd7 22.Qb4 Rxe1+ 23.Rxe1 b5 24.Qd2 1-0

Navara, D (2567) - Delchev, A (2580) [C08]
Olympiad Bled SLO (4), 29.10.2002

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 c5 4.Ngf3 a6 5.exd5 exd5 6.c4 Nf6 7.cxd5 cxd4 8.Bc4 Qe7+ 9.Kf1 Qd6 10.Bb3 b5 11.a4 Be7 12.axb5 0-0 13.Nxd4 Qc5 14.Ra4 Bb7 15.Nf5 axb5 16.Ne4 Nxe4 17.Rxe4 Bf6 18.Be3 Qc7 19.h4 Qd7 20.g4 Nc6 21.Bg5 Ne5 22.Bxf6 gxf6 23.Qc1 1-0

Normal Open

(2) A. Stannov - R. Loncarevic [C89]

Normal (open) (3), 09.11.2002

[Angelo young]

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 (Ruy Lopez) 5.0-0 Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 0-0 8.c3 d5 9.exd5 Nxd5 10.Nxe5 Nxe5 11.Rxe5 Black is sacrificing a pawn for lead in development + king safety 11...c6 12.d4 Bd6→ 13.Re1 Qh4 14.g3 Qh3 15.Be3 In GM R. Ponomarev 2727- M. Adams 2742 The game went on 15. Re4 g5 16. Qe2 Nf6?! 17. Nd2 Bf5 18. f3 c5!? 19. Qf2 c4 20. Bc2 h6 21. b3 cb3 22. ab3 Rfc8 23.Bb2 Bb4? +- Linares 2002 15...Bg4 16.Qd3 Rae8 17.Nd2 Re6 18.Bxd5 cxd5 19.Qf1 Qh5 It is important to keep the piece while attacking by trading queens will just ease whites task of defending. 20.a4 f5 21.f4 bxa4 22.Rxa4?? Qe8! Hitting the Rook and the Bishop! 23.Rxa6 Rxe3 24.Rxe3 Qxe3+ 0-1

Pete Karagianis wins 2002 Normal, IL December Open; Suresh Kanniah takes 2nd Place

By Dennis Bourgerie



Pictured above is Pete Karagianis (1982), a college student from Peoria, IL.

Pete defeated David Kaplan (1341), Bob Parker (1664), Kevin Litke (1793) and David Long (1847) to sweep the Normal, IL December Open with 4-0.



Suresh Kanniah (right) plays Rudy Padilla in round 2. Mike Leali is in the background left.

Suresh (1704) of Bloomington, IL won against John Broderick (1121) and Rudy Padilla (1591). He drew with Mike Leali (1902) and won against Krishna Shankar (1396) in round 4 to finish with 3.5-0.5.

Following closely were Bill Naff (2000)

of Peoria, IL, Mike Leali (1902) of Peoria, IL and Bob Parker (1664) of Bloomington, IL, all with 3-1.

Rudy Padilla of Geneva, IL (1596) and Krishna Shankar of Bloomington, IL (1396) had the top scores of 2.5-1.5 for the Under 1600 section.

Jeff Smith (1187) and Jason Chien (1149), both of Bloomington, IL had the top scores for the Under 1200 group.

I directed the 25 player tournament; Colley Kitson assisted with the registration of players.

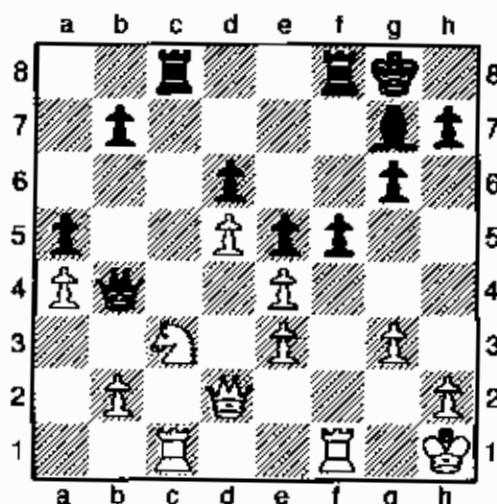
In many tournaments, the next-to-the-last round turns out to have the fiercest battles and so it was for this game:

Litke, Kevin (1793) – Karagianis, Pete (1982)

2002 Normal, IL December Open Normal, IL (3).
28.12.2002

[Dennis Bourgerie]

1.c4 Nf6 2.g3 c6 3.Bg2 g8 4.Nc3 Bg7 5.e4 d6 6.Nge2 0-0 7.0-0 Nbd7 8.d3 Qc7 9.Qc2 e5 10.Kh1 a5 An interesting middlegame has arisen. White does not have the use of the d5 square, as in many variations of the English. 11.a4 Nc5 12.Be3 Na6 13.d4 Nb4 14.Qd2 Ng4 Black now gets the 2 Bishops and damages the White pawn structure. 15.Na2 White plans to oust the strong Black Knight on b4. 15...Nxe3 16.fxe3 [16.Qxe3 is not good, because of ... 16...Nc2 17.Qd2 Nxa1 winning an exchange.] 16...Nxa2 17.Rxa2 Qb6 18.Raa1 Bg4 19.Bf3 Bxf3+ 20.Rxf3 Rae8 Threatening to win the e4 pawn. 21.d5 cxd5 22.cxd5 [22.exd5 If White straightens out his pawns, he loses material. 22...e4 23.Rff1 Rc8 24.Rac1 Qxb2 25.Qxb2 Bxb2 26.Rb1 Be5 27.Rb5 Rxc4 28.Rxa5 Rc2] 22...Rc8 23.Rc1 Qb3 24.Nc3 Qb4 25.Rff1 f5 Diagram



Normal Open

Black tries to activate his fianchettoed Bishop. 26.Qg2 Rc4 27.g4 f4 28.Qe2 Rc7 29.exf4 exf4 Starting about here, both sides were in time pressure with 1 or 2 minutes on their clocks. 30.Qb5 Bxc3 31.Qxb4 axb4 32.bxc3 bxc3 33.Rf3 Rc4 34.Rfxc3 Rxa4 35.Rc7 Rxe4 36.Rxb7 Rf7

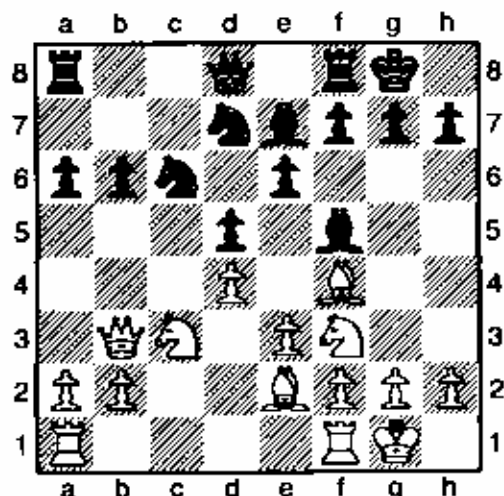
Necessary. If the White Rooks get doubled on the 7th rank, Black can no longer win the game. [36...Rd4? 37.Rcc7 Rd1+ 38.Kg2 f3+ 39.Kg3 Rg1+ 40.Kh3 Rf4 41.Rg7+ Kf8 42.Rxh7 Kg8 43.Rhg7+ Kf8 44.Rh7 Kg8 45.Rhg7+ Kf8 46.Rh7 Kg8] 37.Rc8+ Kg7 38.Rxf7+ Kxf7 39.Rd8 Ke7 40.Rh8 Rd4 41.Rxh7+ Kf6 42.Rh8 Rxd5 43.Rf8+ Kg5 44.h3 Rd2 45.Rh8 d5 46.h4+ Kxg4 47.Rg8 Kh3 48.Rxg6 Now Black gets to trade 1 advantage for another by reducing to a won King and Pawns endgame. 48...Rd1+ 49.Rg1 Rxg1+ 50.Kxg1 Kxh4 White resigns. Both competitors fought hard and deserve credit for this game in the penultimate round. 0-1

Here are some of the other interesting games from the tournament:

Karagianis, Pete (1982) - Long, David (1847) [D15]

2002 Normal, IL December Open Normal, IL USA (4), 28.12.2002

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.c4 c6 4.Nc3 Bf5 5.cxd5 cxd5 6.Qb3 b6 Weakens the light squares on the queenside, especially c6. 7.Bg5 e6 8.e3 Be7 9.Bb5+ Nfd7 10.Bf4 0-0 11.0-0 a6 12.Be2 Nc6 Diagram

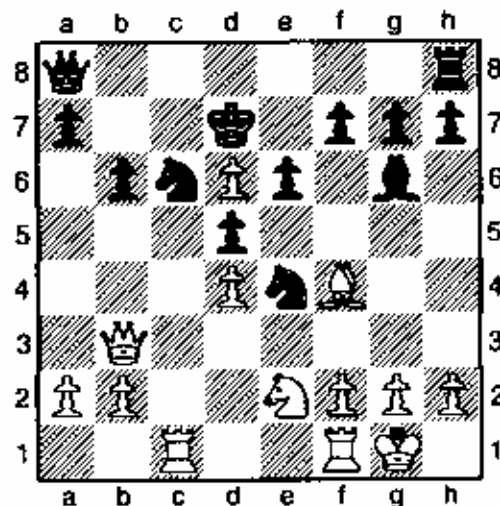


Now White spots a tactical possibility. 13.Nxd5 exd5 14.Qxd5 The queen forks the Knight and Bishop. 14...Nde5 15.Qxd8 Nxf3+ 16.Bxf3 Rfxd8 17.Bxc6 Rac8 18.Rac1 Resigns. White is 2 healthy pawns ahead. 1-0

Kanniah, Suresh (1704) - Broderick, John (1121) [B10]

2002 Normal, IL December Open Normal, IL USA (1), 28.12.2002

1.e4 c6 2.c4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.Nc3 e6 5.d4 Nd7 6.cxd5 cxd5 7.Qb3 b6 8.Ba6 Nb8 Now White will win an exchange. 9.Bb7 Nd7 10.Bxa8 Qxa8 11.Bd2 Ne7 12.Nb5 White spies the strong square d6 and Black loses the right to castle. 12...Kd8 13.Nd6 Bg6 14.Rc1 Very basic chess---the Rook comes to an open file. 14...Nc6 15.Ne2 Bxd6 16.exd6 Nf6 17.0-0 Ne4 18.Bf4 Kd7 And now White finds a combination that leads to further material win or checkmate.



19.Rxc6 Qxc6

[19...Kxc6 20.Rc1+ Kb7 21.Rc7+ Kb8 22.d7 Rd8 23.Qb5 e5 24.Bxe5 f6 25.Qa6 fxe5 26.Qc8+ Rxc8 27.dxc8Q#]

20.Rc1 Nc5

[If the queen retreats, Black will get checkmated or lose more material. 20...Qa8 21.Qb5+ Kd8 22.Rc7 Nf6 23.Bg5 a6 24.Qd7#; 20...Qb7 21.Qb5+ Kd8 22.Rc7 a6 23.Qd7#] 21.dxc5

Black resigns. 1-0

Ramamoorthy, Shankar (1697) - Naff, Bill (2000) [B75]

2002 Normal, IL December Open Normal, IL USA (2), 28.12.2002

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 g6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Bg7 The Accelerated Dragon has been reached. One of the themes of this defense is that if the position is favorable, Black will try to get in ...d7-d5 in one move. 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Be3 d6

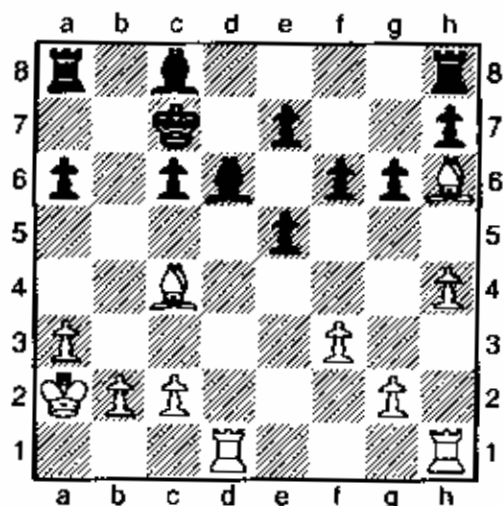
[6...Nf6 7.Be2

(7.f3 0-0 8.Bc4 Qb6 In this variation of the Accelerated Dragon, Black prevents White from

castling queenside and continuing the Yugoslav Attack. 9.Qd2 Nxe4 or (9...Qxb2) 10.fxe4 Bxd4 11.Bxd4 Qxd4 12.Qxd4 Nxd4 13.0-0-0)

7...0-0 8.0-0 d5 and Black gets in ...d7-d5 in 1 move.]

7.Qd2 Nf6 8.f3 a6 [If Black plays 8...0-0 9.Bc4 Bd7 10.0-0-0 and he has transposed into the dangerous (for Black) Yugoslav Attack. 10...Rc8 11.Bb3 Ne5] 9.Nxc6 bxc6 10.e5 White sacrifices a pawn to keep the Black King from castling. 10...dxe5 11.Qxd8+ Kxd8 12.0-0-0+ Ke8 The Black King is somewhat disrupted, but a Pawn is worth some trouble. 13.Bb6 Nd7 14.Ba5 Bh6+ The dark-squared Bishop has little to do as long as the e5 pawn blocks his influence and so he re-locates to a more active diagonal. 15.Kb1 Be3 16.Na4 Rb8 17.Re1 Ba7 18.a3 f6 19.Bc4 Nb6 20.Nxb6 Bxb6 21.Bd2 Bc5 22.Ka2 Bd6 23.h4 Ra8 24.Bh6 Kd7 25.Rd1 Kc7 Diagram

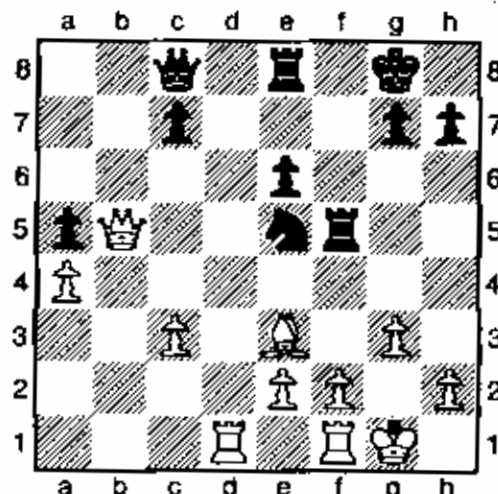


The Black King will be safe enough on c7. 26.b4 a5 27.Kb3 axb4 28.axb4 Ba8 29.Be6 Rhb8 30.Bd2 c5 31.c3 Bb5 32.Ra1 Bc6 33.Rhb1 e4 Gaining either a passed pawn or more scope for the c6 Bishop. 34.fxe4 Bxe4 35.Rxa8 Bxa8 36.Kc4 cxb4 37.cxb4 Bxg2 38.b5 Ra8 39.Be3 Ra4+ 40.Kc3 Be4 [40...Re4] 41.Rc1 Kb7 42.Kd2 Bc7 43.Bc5 Bf4+ 44.Be3 Bxe3+ 45.Kxe3 Bf5 46.Bd5+ Kb6 47.Bc6 Ra3+ 48.Kd4 Bd3 49.Re1 Bxb5 50.Bg2 And now comes a forced combination, winning material. 50...e5+ 51.Kd5 Bc6+ and White resigned. 0-1

Strong, Josh (1127) – Healy, James (1737)
[A85]

2002 Normal, IL December Open Normal, IL USA (1), 28.12.2002
1.c4 f5 2.Nc3 e6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.d4 Bb4 5.a3 Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 b6 7.g3 Bb7 8.Bg2 0-0 9.0-0 Ne4 10.Qc2 d6 11.Ng5 White uses the pin on the e4 Knight to win a

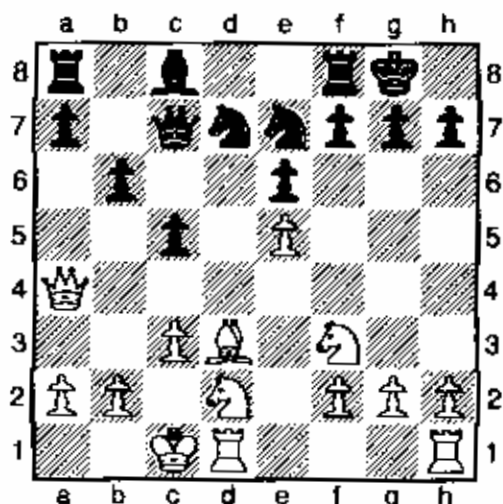
pawn. 11...Qf6 12.Nxe4 fxe4 13.Bxe4 Bxe4 14.Qxe4 Nd7 15.a4 Opening a diagonal for the Bishop. 15...a5 16.Ba3 Rae8 17.Qc6 Qd8 18.c5 dxc5 19.dxc5 bxc5 20.Rad1 Rf7 21.Bxc5 Qc8 22.Be3 Ne5 23.Qb5 Rf5 Black threatens to win the White Queen with ...Nf3+.



24.Qb1 Ng4 25.h3 Nxe3 26.fxe3 Rh5 27.Kh2 e5 28.g4 Qxg4 29.Rf3 e4 30.Rg1 Qe6 31.Rfg3 g6 32.Qb7 Qc4 33.Qb2 Qxa4 34.c4 Qxc4 Now White has the opportunity to checkmate. 35.Rxg6+ hxg6 36.Rxg6+ Kf8 37.Qg7# 1-0

Long, David (1847) – Strong, Josh (1127)

2002 Normal, IL December Open Normal, IL (2), 28.12.2002 [Long, David]
1.e4 c5 2.c3 Nf6 3.e5 Nd5 4.d4 Qc7 5.Bg5 e6 6.Nd2 d6 7.dxc5 dxc5 8.Ngf3 b6 9.Bd3 Nd7 10.Qa4 Be7 11.Bxe7 Nxe7 Now Black's d6 square invites a Knight. 12.0-0-0 0-0 Diagram



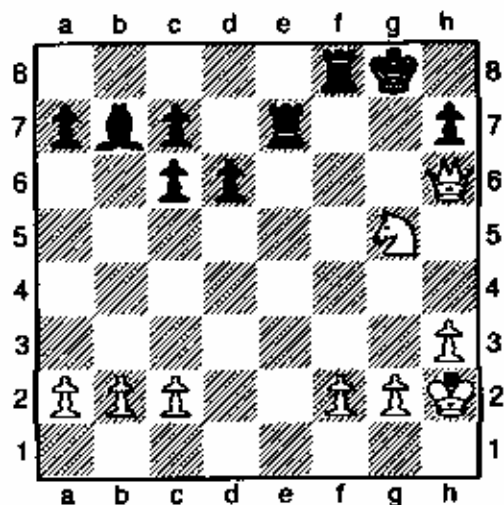
Normal Open

13.Bxh7+ A variation on that classic Bishop sacrifice.
 13...Kxh7 14.Qh4+ Kg8 15.Qxe7 White cannot mate
 by force, but has an extra pawn. 15...Bb7 16.Nc4
 Rad8 17.Nd6 Bc6 18.h4 Going for mate. 18...Bd5
 19.h5 f6 20.h6 Bxf3 [20...gxh6 21.Rxh6 Be4 22.Rdh1
 Nxe5 23.Rh8#]
 21.Qxg7# 1-0

McCulla,Ryan (1351) – Shankar,Krishna (1396) [C50]

2002 Normal, IL December Open Normal, IL USA (3),
 28.12.2002

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Be7 4.d4 exd4 5.Nxd4 Nf6
 6.Nxc6 bxc6 7.e5 Ne4 8.Bxf7+ Kxf7 9.Qf3+ Nf6 10.0-0
 Re8 11.Bg5 Ba6 12.Re1 Bb4 13.Nc3 Qe7 14.h3
 Bb7 15.exf6 Forcing an asymmetrical middlegame.
 15...Qxe1+ 16.Rxe1 Rxe1+ 17.Kh2 Bd6+ 18.Bf4
 Bxf4+ 19.Qxf4 d6 20.Ne4 gxf6 21.Qxf6+ Kg8 22.Ng5
 Now White threatens checkmate in 2 moves. 22...Rf8
 Only move. [22...— null move. 23.Qf7+ Kh8 24.Qxh7#]
 23.Qh6 Re7 Diagram

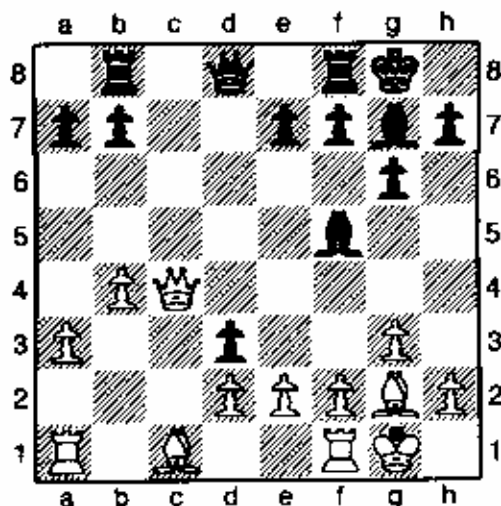


Once again, the only move. 24.Qh4 c5 25.Qc4+ Kh8
 26.Qc3+ Re5 [if 26...Kg8, then 27.Qb3+ Kg7 28.Qxb7]
 27.Nf3 Rg8 28.h4 Bxf3 29.gxf3 Rg7 30.f4 Re4 31.Qf3
 Re8 32.h5 Kg8 33.h6 Rg6 34.Qh5 Rf8 35.Qe2 Rxf4
 36.Qe8+ Rf8 37.Qd7 Rxf2+ Black is now winning.
 38.Kh3 Rxh6+ 39.Kg3 Rf7 40.Qd8+ Kg7 41.Qg5+
 Rg6 and White resigned. 0-1

Strong,Josh (1121) – Dueker,John (1596) [A16]

2002 Normal, IL December Open Normal, IL,
 27.12.2002

1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 It is surprising how often
 a fianchettoed Bishop catches the Rook at the end of
 the long diagonal in a combination (a1 in this case)
 and so it is here. 4.g3 d5 5.cxd5 Nxd5 6.Qc2 c5
 7.Bg2 Nc6 8.0-0 0-0 9.a3 Nd4 10.Nxd4 Nxc3 Forced.
 11.Qxc3 cxd4 12.Qc4 Rb8 13.b4 Be6 14.Qd3 Bf5
 15.Qc4 Now the Bishop on g7 makes it's presence felt.
 15...d3!



16.Ra2 [16.Rb1 dxe2 17.Qxe2 Bxb1] 16...Be6 17.Bd5
 Bxd5 18.Qxd3 Bxa2 19.Qc2 Bd5 20.d3 Rc8 21.Qd2
 With proper care, Black's game is won and he just
 needs to trade down pieces. 21...Qc7 22.e4 Bb3
 23.Qe3 Rfd8 24.d4 Qc3 25.Qxc3 Rxc3 26.Bb2 Rc2
 27.Ba1 Ra2 28.Rd1 Bxd1 29.Bc3 Bxd4 30.Bxd4
 Rxd4 The final checkmating phase is reached. 31.e5
 Rdd2 32.Kg2 Rxf2+ 33.Kg1 Rxh2 34.e6 Bf3 35.exf7+
 Kxf7 36.g4 Rh1# 0-1

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Tri-Valley Scholastic Chess Tournament

Results from the tournament held at Tri-Valley
Middle School on January 11, 2003
Sponsored by the Tri-Valley Chess Club

Lower Primary Division

Team

- 1st place – Tri-Valley
- 2nd place – Peoria Academy
- 3rd place – Holy Trinity
- 4th place – Colene Hoose
- 5th place – Washington, Bloomington

Overall

- 1st place – Aaron Tagala, Tri-Valley
- 2nd place – Zeke Benshirim, Individual
- 3rd place – Tyler May, Prairieland
- 4th place – Sarah Valentine, Colene Hoose
- 5th place – Alexander Su, Metcalf Kin
- 1st place – Nisha Kishore, Peoria Academy
- 2nd place – Trevor Merkley, Peoria Academy
- 3rd place – Kendall Koe, Colene Hoose
- 4th place – Benjamin Christian, Peoria Academy
- 5th place – Andrew Bates, Colene Hoose
- 6th place – Evan Johnson, Washington
- 7th place – Austin Spencer, Tri-Valley
- 8th place – Ryan Scott, Metcalf
- Tie Break – Paul Wang, Peoria Academy,
Richard Collins, Holy Trinity

First Grade

- 1st place – George Ruan, Countryside
- 2nd place – Ryan Reilly, Washington
- 3rd place – Levi Justice, Stevenson
- 4th place – Mitchell Morris, Oakland
- 5th place – Joseph Weinrich, Washington D 52
- 6th place – Saya Nath, Peoria Academy
- 7th place – Colin Pitt, Countryside
- 8th place – Brandon Bakewell, Tri-Valley

Rating Trophies

- Under 300 – Riley Potter, Holy Trinity
- Over 299 – Brandon Leifheit, Oakland
- Top Unrated – Nick Saulcy, Tri-Valley

Upper Primary Division

Team

- 1st place – Glenn
- 2nd place – Prairieland
- 3rd place – Metcalf
- 4th place – Tri-Valley
- 5th place – Northpoint

Overall

- 1st place – Matthew Tsao, Prairieland
- 2nd place – Spencer Ludwig, Glenn
- 3rd place – David Castillo, Metcalf
- 4th place – Jeremy Braun, Glenn
- 5th place – Christine Peterson, Tri-Valley

Second Grade

- 1st place – Ryan Merkley, Peoria Academy
- 2nd place – Patrick Wong, Countryside
- 3rd place – Elise Cather, Prairieland
- 4th place – Aaron Lebow, Grove
- 5th place – Bradley Bernovich, Washington

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- 6th place – Michael Braun, Metcalf
- 7th place – Ryan Curtis, Washington, Blm.
- 8th place – Jennifer Morley, Prairieland

Third Grade

- 1st place – Andrew Kuntz, Holy Trinity
- 2nd place – Mitchell Styczynski, Metcalf
- 3rd place – Timmy Wert, Tri-Valley
- 4th place – Curtis Weise, Oakland
- 5th place – Brian McCarthy, Holy Trinity
- 6th place – Jordan Evans, Tri-Valley
- 7th place – Jay Siegrist, Northpoint
- 8th place – Chad Roberts, Tri-Valley

Rating Trophies

- Under 500 – Bryan Pratt, Colene Hoose
- Over 499 – Alexander Kayser, Prairieland
- Top Unrated – Sheya Shah, Oakland

Elementary Division

Team

- 1st place – Metcalf
- 2nd place – Bent
- 3rd place – Oakland
- 4th place – Countryside
- 5th place – Peoria Academy

Overall

- 1st place – Aaron Barton, Bent
- 2nd place – Josh Ayers, Metcalf
- 3rd place – Dan Nibbelin, Metcalf

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- 4th place – Nicholas Jones, Grove
 5th place – Joseph Roig, Oakland

4th Grade

- 1st place – Eric Schmidt, Bent
 2nd place – Dominick Leali, Peoria Academy
 3rd place – Nate May, Prairieland
 4th place – Luke Nayak, Metcalf
 5th place – Kyle Sullivan, Countryside
 6th place – Drew Potter, Metcalf
 7th place – Roman Endrizzi, Oakdale
 8th place – Grant Hanley, Colene Hoose

5th Grade

- 1st place – Tim Colombo, Countryside
 2nd place – Felix Tsao, Prairieland
 3rd place – Philip Scheets, Oakland
 4th place – Nicholas Weise, Oakland
 5th place – Neil Pearson, Countryside
 6th place – Jacob Birlingmair, Oakdale
 7th place – Eric Cather, Prairieland
 8th place – Gordon Ruan, Countryside

Rating Trophies

- Under 500 – Michael Reilly, Washington, Blm.
 Over 499 – Matthew Burns, Colene Hoose
 Top Unrated – Prashant Guha, Peoria

Academy

Junior High Division

Team

- 1st place – Parkside Junior High
 2nd place – Bloomington Junior High
 3rd place – Chiddix
 4th place – Tri-Valley
 5th place – Metcalf

Overall

- 1st place – Jason Chien, Bent
 2nd place – Evan Cather, Prairieland
 3rd place – Timothy Foote, Parkside
 4th place – Sean Comerford, BJHS
 5th place – Matt May, Prairieland

6th Grade

- 1st place – Jared Placek, Tri-Valley
 2nd place – Kyle Scott, Tri-Valley
 3rd place – Daniel Borup, Countryside
 4th place – Carolyn Ayers, Metcalf
 5th place – Jack Capodice, Metcalf
 6th place – David Kulb, Tri-Valley
 7th place – Ben Leifheit, BJHS
 8th place – Jacob Switzer, BJHS

7th Grade

- 1st place – Tao Wang, Parkside
 2nd place – Eric Meier, Parkside
 3rd place – Josh Strong, BJHS
 4th place – Josh Braun, Chiddix
 5th place – Derek Spanton, Chiddix
 6th place – William Strickland, Washington

- 7th place – Josh Jones, Chiddix
 8th place – Michael Burns, Chiddix
 Tie Break – Cameron Johnson, BJHS

8th Grade

- 1st place – Michael Schertz, Parkside
 2nd place – Connor Allison, BJHS
 3rd place – Zachary Saajasto, Metcalf
 4th place – Michael Lieder, BJHS
 5th place – Evan Greiner, Parkside
 6th place – Eric Yoder, Parkside
 7th place – Vinnie Guaderrama
 8th place – Ben Egts, Chiddix
 Tie Break – Michael Rotsch, Chiddix

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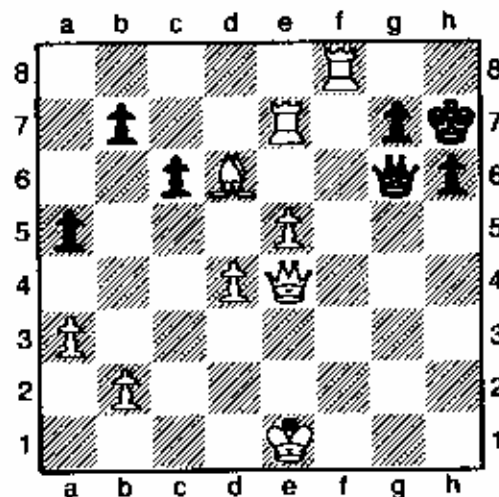
- Over 599 – James Risoli, BJHS
 Under 600 – Nathan Alden, Metcalf

US Chess Live games Blitz

ColleyChess (1646)

Fanatomas (1819)

1.d4 d5 2.e3 Nf6 3.f4 Bg4 4.Nf3 e6 5.a3 a8 6.c4 c6
 7.Nc3 Nbd7 8.Bd3 dxc4 9.Bxc4 Nd5 10.Bxd5 exd5
 11.0-0 Nf6 12.h3 Bd7 13.Ne5 Bd6 14.Qf3 0-0 15.Bd2
 Re8 18.g4 Ne4 17.Nxe4 dxe4 18.Qg3 f5 19.gxf5 Bxf5
 20.Rf2 Re6 21.Rg2 Qe7 22.Kh2 Bxe5 23.fxe5 Bxh3
 24.Bb4 Qf7 25.Qxh3 a5 26.Bd6 Kh8 27.Qg3 Rh6+
 28.Kg1 Re8 29.Rf1 Qd7 30.Rf4 Rh3 31.Qf2 h6 32.Rf8+
 Kh7 33.Rxe8 Rf3 34.Qc2 Rxe3 35.Re7 Re1+ 36.Kf2
 Qf5+ 37.Kxe1 Kh8 38.Rf2 Qg5 39.Rf8+ Kh7 40.Qxe4+
 Qg6 Diagram



41.Qxg6+ Kxg6 42.Rff7 b5 43.Rxg7+ Kh5 44.Rh7 c5
 45.Bxc5 b4 46.axb4 axb4 47.Bxb4 Kg6 48.Reg7+ Kf5
 49.Rxh6 Ke4 50.Rf6 Kd5 51.Bc5 Kc4 52.b4 Kb5
 53.Rb6+ Kc4 54.e6 Kd5 55.e7 Kc4 56.e8Q Kc3
 57.Qe3+ Kc4 58.Qe2+ Kd5 59.Rg5# 1-0

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Openings: by Bradley Zang Mephitso Shock Opening

Mikhail Ivanovich Chigorin was reported to have claimed he felt a **shock** during this game probably because he lost. (Maybe it was static electricity from the carpet?) Anyway that is why this type of Vienna Game is called the Mephitso Shock Opening (MSG). Some have asked we include a non-annotated game version for easier play through. (bottom)

Mephisto vs Mikhail Ivanovich Chigorin London 1883 Vienna Game

1. e4 e5 2. Nc3 Nc6 (Now a days 2...Nf6 if then 3.f4 d5 also 2...Bc5 Nf3 3d6) 3. f4 (also Bc5 or Nf6)
3... exf4 4. Nf3 g5 (Also 4...Be7 then 5... Bh4+ Would take you into a Cunningham type position) 5. h4
(also 5.d4 and 5Bc4 allow Pierce gambit) 5... g4 6. Ng5 (This is called the Mephisto Shock Gambit
(MSG) It is a Delayed Allgaier Kings Gambit (DAKG). In Ruben Fines opinion the Undelayed Allgaier
Kings Gambit is unsound but never mentions the MSG. Another words, If this were a undelayed Kings
Gambit the knights! on c3 and c6 would not be there. 1e < 1e4 e5 2f4 exf4 3Nf3 g5 4 h4 g4> Then
whites best move would be 5.Ne5, Not 5 Ng5 the AKG) (6... Ng1 is interesting) 6... h6 (d6 is stronger
and became book five years later) 7. Nx7 Kx7 8. d4 f3 9. gxf3 Be7 10. Bc4+ Kg7 11. Be3 Bxh4+ (It
looks a little greedy but correct because Blacks Bishop can then go to g5) 12. Kd2 d5 13. exd5 13...
Na5 (If 13...Ne2 then the bishop at h5 hangs. If 13... Nb1 maybe to stop knight trap but black loses
more development) 14. Bd3 Be7 15. fxe4 Nf6 16. Bxh6+ Rxh6 17. g5 Rxh1 18. Qxh1 Qh8 (Nc4+
might distract the bishop at d3) 19. gxf6+ Bxf6 (Suddenly 20. Rg1+ Kf7 21. Qe4 (Sets bate for trap)
21... Qh6+ 22. Kd1 Bd7 (Maybe b6 to give the knight an escape route.) 23. b4 Re8 (Takes the bait.
This must be were Chigorin felt the shock, better is c5) 24. Qg6+ Qxg6 25. Bxg6+ Kf8 26. Bxe8 Bxe8
27. Rf1 Ke7 28. d6+ cxd6 29. Nd5+ Kd8 30. Nxf6 1-0

Non-Annotated version 1. e4 e5 2. Nc3 Nc6 3. f4 exf4 4. Nf3 g5 5. h4 g4 6. Ng5 ! h6 7. Nx7 Kx7 8.
d4 f3 9. gxf3 B e7 10. Bc4+ Kg7 11. Be3 Bxh4+ 12. Kd2 d5 13. exd5 Na5 14. Bd3 Be7 15. fxe4 Nf6
16. Bxh6+ Rxh6 17. g5 Rxh1 18. Qxh1 Qh8 19. gxf6+ Bxf6 20. Rg1+ Kf7 21. Qe4 Qh6+ 22. Kd1 Bd7
23. b4 Re8 24. Qg6+ Qxg6 25. Bxg6+ Kf8 26 Bxe8 Bxe8 27. Rf1 Ke7 28. d6+ cxd6 29. Nd5+ Kd8 30.
Nxf6 1-0

EX-URBAN TOUR CONTINUES FOR 2003-4

By Bill Smythe, ICA Tour statistician

The Ex-Urban Tour, launched during 2002-2003 as past president Kevin Bachler's brainchild, proved to be a spectacular success, with the addition of a number of Ex-Urban tournaments to the schedule, including several in Rockford. At the ICA meeting in February, the Board voted its continuation through the 2003-2004 Tour season.

The 2003-4 ICA Tour will run for twelve months, from April 2003 through March 2004. During this twelve-month period, all ICA Tour events held outside the Chicago metropolitan area will award Tour points in both the regular ICA Tour and the Ex-Urban Tour. Chicago-area Tour events will award points only in the regular Tour.

At the end of the Tour season, prizes will be awarded to the players with the highest regular and Ex-Urban Tour point totals in each of several classes:

REGULAR TOUR PRIZES			
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Expert:	\$160	\$80	
Class A:	\$130	\$65	
Class B:	\$100	\$50	
Class C:	\$70	\$35	
Class D:	\$40	\$20	
Class E:	\$25		

EX-URBAN TOUR PRIZES		
Master:	1st: \$175	2nd: \$125
Expert:	\$120	
Class A:	\$100	
Class B:	\$75	
Class C:	\$50	
Class D:	\$35	
Class E:	\$20	

A player must have played in at least three Tour events (metro, Ex-Urban, or a combination) during the 2003-4 Tour season in order to be eligible for regular Tour prizes. A player must have played in at least three Ex-Urban Tour events to be eligible for Ex-Urban prizes. No player may win more than one prize. A player eligible for both a regular and an Ex-Urban prize will win only the one awarding the higher dollar amount.

Note that the Ex-Urban Tour is event-based, not player-based. Players win Ex-Urban Tour points by playing in Ex-Urban events. It does not matter what a player's home address is.

An Ex-Urban Tour event is defined as an ICA Tour event held south of I-80 or west of Route 59. The officers reserve the right to modify these definitions slightly, case by case. The Ex-Urban area includes Peoria, Rockford, Champaign-Urbana, Bloomington-Normal, Joliet, Springfield, and Oglesby. Other areas, such as Elmhurst, Niles, Grayslake, Oakbrook, and Chicago are regarded as Chicago metro.

Season-end prizes for both the regular and Ex-Urban tours will be awarded at the annual ICA Banquet in the spring of 2004.

2003-4 ILLINOIS TOUR RULES

by Bill Smythe, ICA Tour statistician

The Illinois Chess Association Tour is an annual, year-long series of USCF-rated tournaments offering Tour points to participants and season-end cash prizes to the top performers in each of several rating classes. The 2003-4 Tour will run from April 1, 2003 through March 31, 2004.

There are three types of events on the Tour: maxi-, mini-, and micro-. Major tournaments such as the Tim Just Winter Open, Greater Peoria Open, Elmhurst Class, Forest City Open, Chicago Open, Master Challenge, Illinois Open, Midwest Class, and Illinois Class are generally maxi-events, while smaller events (including all one-day tournaments) are mini-events. Quick-rated tournaments are always micro-events.

Tour points are awarded in twelve rating classes: Master (2200 and up), Expert (2000-2199), Class A (1800-1999), Class B (1600-1799), Class C (1400-1599), Class D (1200-1399), Class E (1000-1199), Class F (800-999), Class G (600-799), Class H (400-599), Class I (200-399), and Class J (below 200).

Players earn Tour points according to score. Mini-events award half as many points, and micro-events one-quarter as many, as maxi-events. For a perfect score in a maxi, the award varies from 28 in a four-round tournament to 40 in a seven-rounder. For each half-point below a perfect score, the award is cut by a factor which varies from .50 to .70 depending on the number of rounds. When this cutting would result in the Tour award being too low, points are awarded in direct proportion to the score. No Tour points are awarded for a score of zero.

Following are the tables for awarding Tour points in maxi-, mini-, and micro-events of three, four, five, six, and seven rounds.

SEVEN ROUNDS			
score	MAXI	mini	micro
7	40	20	10
6.5	28	14	7
6	20	10	5
5.5	14	7	3.5
5	10	5	2.5
4.5	9	4.5	2.2
4	8	4	2
3.5	7	3.5	1.8
3	6	3	1.5
2.5	5	2.5	1.2
2	4	2	1
1.5	3	1.5	0.8
1	2	1	0.5
0.5	1	0.5	0.2
0	0	0	0

FIVE ROUNDS			
score	MAXI	mini	micro
5	32	16	8
4.5	19	9.5	4.8
4	12	6	3
3.5	7	3.5	1.8
3	6	3	1.5
2.5	5	2.5	1.2
2	4	2	1
1.5	3	1.5	0.8
1	2	1	0.5
0.5	1	0.5	0.2
0	0	0	0

FOUR ROUNDS			
score	MAXI	mini	micro
4	28	14	7
3.5	15	7.5	3.8
3	8	4	2
2.5	5	2.5	1.2
2	4	2	1
1.5	3	1.5	0.8
1	2	1	0.5
0.5	1	0.5	0.2
0	0	0	0

SIX ROUNDS			
score	MAXI	mini	micro
6	36	18	9
5.5	23	11.5	5.8
5	15	7.5	3.8
4.5	10	5	2.5
4	8	4	2
3.5	7	3.5	1.8
3	6	3	1.5
2.5	5	2.5	1.2
2	4	2	1
1.5	3	1.5	0.8
1	2	1	0.5
0.5	1	0.5	0.2
0	0	0	0

THREE ROUNDS			
score	MAXI	mini	micro
3	-	12	6
2.5	-	6	3
2	-	3	1.5
1.5	-	1.5	0.8
1	-	1	0.5
0.5	-	0.5	0.2
0	-	0	0

2003-4 Illinois Tour Rules

Each Tour tournament, or section thereof, awards Tour points in any given rating class ONLY if: (1) the tournament or section is open to ALL players in that class, and (2) at least one player in that class, or in a higher class, actually plays in the tournament or section. Each player in a Tour event can earn points only in his own rating class and those above.

EXAMPLES:

1. Kathy Knight, an A player, scores 4-1 in a five-round max-event. According to the chart, she has earned twelve Tour points. The tournament is a single-section event, open to all, and at least one Master actually participates. Kathy's twelve Tour points are awarded in all classes A through Master. She earns twelve A points, twelve Expert points, and twelve Master points.
2. Benjamin Bishop, a B player, scores 4.5-0.5 in a five-round max-event. The chart shows that he has earned 19 Tour points. But he has chosen to play in the under-2000 section, so his Tour points are awarded only in classes A and B. He receives 19 A points and 19 B points.

All Illinois residents playing in Illinois Tour events must be Illinois Chess Association members. Out-of-staters who are members of their home state chess associations need not join ICA, but any Tour points earned by non-members will not count at season's end.

At the end of the Tour season, cash prizes are awarded to those ICA members who have accumulated the greatest Tour point totals in each class Master through E.

Cash prizes will be awarded only to those players who play in at least three Tour events from 4-1-03 through 3-31-04. Prizes which would have been won by players with only one or two events will be distributed to those next in line.

Unrated players can accumulate Tour points only in the Master class, and then only if they play in a tournament or section open to all Masters and in which at least one Master actually participates. Unrateds in all Tour events, however, will have their events counted towards the three-event minimum; this will help them later in the season when they become rated.

ORGANIZERS: Putting your tournaments on the ICA Tour will enhance their prestige and increase attendance. Players have come to expect that major events, especially, will be ICA Tour events.

It is easy to sponsor a Tour event, but there are several rules which must be followed. A Tour event must be a weekend Swiss of at least three rounds, and it must be listed in the Tournament Life section of Chess Life. The Chess Life announcement must include the phrase "ICA membership required" along with the dollar amount of ICA dues. The statement "an ICA Tour max-event", "an ICA Tour mini-event", or "an ICA Tour micro-event" should also be included. Making "Max-Tour", "Mini-Tour", or "Micro-Tour" part of the name of the tournament is a good idea also.

A Tour event must also be listed in the Calendar published bi-monthly in the Illinois Chess Bulletin. The ICB announcement must mention that the tournament is a Tour event (max-, mini-, or micro-). Be sure to observe the ICB's published deadlines, and keep in close contact with the ICB Calendar Coordinator so you won't be left out.

Beginning September 1, 2003, organizers of max- and mini-events are required to furnish duplicate-type ("carbon-copy") scoresheets, to provide a place for their collection during each round, and to announce prior to round 1 that players are to turn in their scoresheets. This policy should increase the number of games available for publication in the Illinois Chess Bulletin.

For max-events, there are some additional rules. A Tour max-event must be a two-day (or more) event of at least four rounds, and there must be a guaranteed prize fund of at least \$500.00. A based-on prize fund of at least \$1000.00 is fine, too, since USCF requires that at least half of such projected prize funds actually be paid.

A Tour event should be set up in such a way that Tour points can be awarded fairly. Section cut-offs, if any, should be at 2200, 2000, 1800, 1600, 1400, 1200, 1000, 800, 600, 400, and/or 200. The following are examples of recommended Tour formats:

- (1) 1 section, open to all.
- (2) 2 sections, open and under-1800.
- (3) 3 sections, 1800-8-over, under-2000, and under-1400.

An example of an inadvisable tour format would be an under-1900 section. Such a section could not award Tour points to A players because it would not be open to ALL class A players.

Another inadvisable format would be the quad or the octagon — four- or eight-player sections grouped by rating. Such an event almost certainly would, for example, split the B players across two sections, neither of which could award B points because neither would be open to ALL players in class B.

The fee for running a Tour event is \$1.00 per player. For max-events, there is a \$50.00 minimum and a \$150.00 maximum. For mini- and micro-events, there is no minimum, and the maximum is \$75.00. (These maxima take effect September 1, 2003. For tournaments held before that date, the maxima are \$100.00 for a max-event and \$50.00 for a mini-event.) In addition, your organization must affiliate with ICA at \$25.00 per year. Past experience suggests that these fees repay the organizer many times over in added entry fees, as having an event on the Tour increases its appeal to most players.

A max-event is entitled to a free full-page ICB ad. A mini-event gets a free half-page ad, and a micro-event a quarter page. But to take advantage, you must submit your ad camera-ready to the ICB editor by the published deadline. Do not expect the editor to concoct an ad for you.

The ICA officers reserve the right to reject the Tour status of any tournament. To avoid conflicts, the officers will be scrutinizing the schedule carefully. As stated previously, your event must be cleared through the ICB calendar before it is sent to Chess Life.

2002-3 ICA TOUR LEADERS

compiled by Bill Smythe

NOTE: The 2002-3 ICA Tour began April 1, 2002 and will run through March 31, 2003.

These standings reflect the following 2002-3 Tour events:

April 6, 2002	mini	Illinois Valley Spring Tornado, Oglesby (XU)
April 27, 2002	mini	Peoria Spring Tornado (XU)
April 27-28, 2002	MAXI	Ranko Loncarevic Memorial, River Forest
May 24-27, 2002	MAXI	Chicago Open, Oakbrook
June 14-16, 2002	MAXI	Heartland Semi-Class, Arlington Heights
June 29, 2002	mini	Peoria Summer Tornado (XU)
July 12-14, 2002	MAXI	Master Challenge, Elmhurst
August 17, 2002	mini	Bradley Summer Open, Peoria (XU)
Aug 30 - Sep 2, 2002	MAXI	Illinois Open, Northbrook
September 21-22, 2002	mini	Illinois Valley Fall Max-Tour, Oglesby (XU)
October 5, 2002	mini	Rockford Fall Open (XU)
October 12, 2002	mini	Peoria Fall Tornado (XU)
October 18-20, 2002	MAXI	Midwest Class, Oakbrook
November 9, 2002	mini	Normal November Mini-Tour (XU)
Nov 30 - Dec 1, 2002	MAXI	Illinois Class, Palos Heights
January 4-5, 2003	MAXI	Tim Just Winter Open/Reserve, Grayslake
January 11, 2003	mini	Peoria Winter Tornado (XU)
January 18-19, 2003	MAXI	Elmhurst Classic
February 8, 2003	mini	Rockford Winter Open (XU)

Not included (tournament held after press deadline):

March 1-2, 2003	MAXI	Greater Peoria Open (XU)
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Future 2002-3 Tour events:

March 22-23, 2003	MAXI	Elmhurst Class
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Canceled:

April 20-21, 2002	mini	Wild Onion Mini-Tour, Chicago
August 10-11, 2002	MAXI	Concordia Max-Tour, River Forest

Check Chess Life, the Illinois Chess Bulletin, ChessPhone (630-832-5222) or the web (www.illinoischess.org) for details on future events.

For players with fewer than three 2002-3 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 the Tour year (4-1-02 thru 3-31-03) 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.

Scheduled or probable 2003-4 Tour events:

April 19-20, 2003	MAXI	Chicagoland Max-Tour, Niles (tentative)
April 26, 2003	mini	Peoria Spring Tornado (XU)
May 3, 2003	mini	Rockford Spring Open (XU)
May 23-26, 2003	MAXI	12th Annual Chicago Open, Oakbrook
June 21, 2003	mini	Illini Summer Open (XU)
August 9-10, 2003	MAXI	Chicagoland Max-Tour, Niles (tentative)
Aug 30 - Sep 1, 2003	MAXI	Illinois Open
September 27-28, 2003	MAXI	Forest City Championships, Rockford (XU)
October 4, 2003	mini	Normal October Mini-Tour (XU)
October 10-12, 2003	MAXI	Midwest Class, Oakbrook
December 6-7, 2003	MAXI	Chicagoland Max-Tour, Niles (tentative)

ICA Tour

Master Tour Points:

STAMNOV Aleksander	112
PALOS Osman	80
QUAN Zhe	71
YOUNG Angelo	69
LONCAREVIC Robert	65.5
GOLDIN Alexander	60
SZPISJAK Steven J	57.5
CHOW Albert C	56
STEVANOVIC Miomir	51
HERNANDEZ Hector R	47
GORLIN Andrey	42
TSYGANOV Igor M	38
NIENART Christopher	35
DUNCAN Jason	32
BROCK William	30
AARON Michael E	28
PEDZICH Dominik	28
KARKLINS Andrew	27
KARAGIANIS Pete D	26.5
JARRETTE Phil	24.5
COVIC Mehmed	22
MALONEY Michael A	21
RODRIGUEZ Jose A	20
BAUMGARTNER Christop	19
HART Vincent J	19
LONG David	19
MAREK Jiri	19

Expert Tour Points:

STEVANOVIC Miomir	77
LONCAREVIC Robert	71.5
GORLIN Andrey	68
HERNANDEZ Hector R	47
QUAN Zhe	47
KARAGIANIS Pete D	41
DUNCAN Jason	40
NIENART Christopher	40
TSYGANOV Igor M	37
JARRETTE Phil	34.5
AARON Michael E	34
NAFF William A	31.5
LONG David	31
BROCK William	30
BENESA Arnulfo	28
MALONEY Michael A	25
RODRIGUEZ Jose A	25
ZINYTCH Miron	25
BAUMGARTNER Christop	23
COVIC Mehmed	22
FRIDMAN Viktor	21
HART Vincent J	19
COHEN Lawrence S	18.5
BONDAR Leonid	18
NGUYEN Tam Ducmi (2)	18

Class A Tour Points:

MALONEY Michael A	69
HERNANDEZ Hector R	57
MARKOVIC Arandel	54
LONCAREVIC Robert	49.5
RASMUSSEN Robert (2)	47
NIENART Christopher	46
COVIC Mehmed	45
CAVITT Dexter	44
KARAGIANIS Pete D	41
SOLLANO Ely O	39
HUBBARD Andrew D	37
BAUMGARTNER Christop	36
JARRETTE Phil	34.5
AARON Michael E	34
HART Vincent J	34

MODES Daniel R	33
LONG David	31
FORD Samuel M	30
KORIN Mark	30
LAZEBNIK Yakov	30
DUNCAN Jason	29
LACEY Patrick M	29
ENGELEN Mark S	28.5
MORENO Jacobo	28

Class B Tour Points:

ENGELEN Mark S	66.5
BAUMGARTNER Christop	43
DJORDJEVIC Vladimir	42
BRASWELL Isaac M	37
DIAMOND William F	36
WITEK Gregory A	36
MC DONALD Jordan	35
EDEUS Daniel W (2)	34
GROEGER Andrew T	34
LACEY Patrick M	34
CHEN Byron H	33.5
EASTON Richard Dw	33
PADILLA Rudy R	32.5
SETHI Rishi	32
BRONNER Benjamin	30
DUEKER John T	29
LENG Yize	28
STEVENS Joseph M	28
FLORES Joshua	27
LAWRENCE Danyul	27
GORODETSKIY Steve	26.5
SCHMIDT Scott	25
SPARKS Derek	25

Class C Tour Points:

LYON Derek H	53
LEVINE Gary T	41
KREPICH Daniel S	39
PADILLA Rudy R	35.5
LENG Yize	35
CHEN Byron H	33.5
ANDERSON Aaron J	32
JACOBSON James	32
LIN Der-Long	32
MORAN Philip D	31
WILHELM John H	31
LIU Howard (2)	30
WIDELKA Adam B	30
DIAMOND William F	29
BODZIONY Piotr (1)	28
DUEKER John T	28
EDEUS Daniel W (2)	28
DUBIN Joshua	27
JACONETTE Rick L	27
BLACKMAN William A	26
KASIURAK Zach	25

Class D Tour Points:

LIN Der-Long	52
PAUL Gabriel S	44
GASUNAS Anthony C	32
HEISER Eric A	31
LOPEZ Eugene C	28
MILOSEVIC Goran (2)	28
KIM Josh	27
DE LA MORA Salvador	26
DZANANOVIC Muhamed	26
KOLESNIKOV Yuri (2)	25
LANG Tristan J	24
FENG Justin L	23.5
GONZALEZ Marcos A	23.5

CUNNINGHAM Robert E	22.5
LEWIS Richard	22
BERRY Nicholas (1)	20
DIXON Jeff (1)	20
SHANKAR Krishna	20
WALNY Yair (2)	20

Class E Tour Points:

DZANANOVIC Muhamed	46
DE LA MORA Salvador	40
CONNELLY Patrice (2)	29
LOPEZ Eugene C	28
GONZALEZ Marcos A	24.5
CUNNINGHAM Robert E	22.5
GEROLIMATOS George C	21
ROMAN John Paul	20.5
DZAHANOVIC Muham (1)	20
SILESKEV Seth B	20
PHELPS Douglas	16
ISAACMAN Scott	15
LAUGER Lloyd	15
WINIECKI Robert (2)	15
KOLESNIKOV Yuri (2)	14
ZHENG Xida	14
BARKER Gary F	13

Class F Tour Points:

PLUMMER William (1)	32
CONNELLY Patrice (2)	29
DZAHANOVIC Muham (1)	20
SILESKEV Seth B	20
KOLESNIKOV Yuri (2)	14
LYONS Alex L (1)	12
VAUGHAN Benjamin	11
BOSKEY Kevin M	10
LAUGER Lloyd	9
PAUL Barry S	9

Class G Tour Points:

CONNELLY Patrice (2)	29
VAUGHAN Benjamin	11

Class H Tour Points:

MARTINEZ Amanda (1)	8
MARTINEZ Michell (1)	4

Class I Tour Points:

MARTINEZ Michell (1)	4
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Class J Tour Points:

KEROLUS Mena (1)	1
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Ex-Urban ICA Tour Leaders

Master Ex-Urban Points:

STAMNOV Aleksander	39
HERNANDEZ Hector R	30
LONCAREVIC Robert	25.5
JARRETTE Phil	24.5
LONG David	19
NAFF William A	16
STEVANOVIC Miomir	16
GRATZ Glenn (1)	14
COVIC Mehmed	11
VOSS Andy S	9.5
CUNNINGHAM Robert E	8.5
BAUMGARTNER Christop	8

BOURGERIE Dennis	8
ENGELN Mark S	8
HOFFMAN Tim G	(2) 8
KOPULA Suryaprak	(2) 7.5
SZPISJAK Steven	(1) 7.5
SCHMIDT Scott	(1) 7
KARAGIANIS Pete D	6.5
PADILLA Rudy R	(2) 6.5

Expert Ex-Urban Points:

JARRETTE Phil	34.5
NAFF William A	31.5
LONG David	31
HERNANDEZ Hector R	30
STEVANOVIC Miodir	28
LONCAREVIC Robert	25.5
KARAGIANIS Pete D	18
BOURGERIE Dennis	17
REED Boyd M	(2) 16.5
VOSS Andy S	16
FRANEK Martin J	15.5
BAUMGARTNER Christop	12
COVIC Mehmed	11
CUNNINGHAM Robert E	10.5
ENGELN Mark S	10.5
KOPULA Suryaprak	(2) 10
LEALI Michael E	10
HEALY James D	9
ZIMMERLE R Wayne	9

Class A Ex-Urban Points:

JARRETTE Phil	34.5
LONG David	31
HERNANDEZ Hector R	30
KARAGIANIS Pete D	18
BOURGERIE Dennis	17
REED Boyd M	(2) 16.5
VOSS Andy S	16
FRANEK Martin J	15.5
BALMGARTNER Christop	12
LONCAREVIC Robert	11.5
COVIC Mehmed	11
CUNNINGHAM Robert E	10.5
ENGELN Mark S	10.5
KOPULA Suryaprak	(2) 10
LEALI Michael E	10
HEALY James D	9

ZIMMERLE R Wayne	9
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Class B Ex-Urban Points:

BOURGERIE Dennis	17
VOSS Andy S	16
FRANEK Martin J	15.5
BAUMGARTNER Christop	12
CUNNINGHAM Robert E	10.5
ENGELN Mark S	10.5
KOPULA Suryaprak	(2) 10
HEALY James D	9
ZIMMERLE R Wayne	9
HOFFMAN Tim G	(2) 8
BONWELL Jonathan	7.5
DUEKER John T	(2) 7
SCHMIDT Scott	(1) 7
LEALI Matthew A	6.5
PADILLA Rudy R	(2) 6.5

Class C Ex-Urban Points:

VOSS Andy S	16
CUNNINGHAM Robert E	10.5
LEALI Matthew A	6.5
PADILLA Rudy R	(2) 6.5
O'BRIEN Matthew	(2) 6
PAUL Gabriel S	(2) 6
CHEN Byron H	(2) 5.5
SCHAEFFER John D	(2) 5
LAGUMBAY Charles	(2) 4.5
BEACH Zachary J	(1) 4
BROWN John Raymond	4
DREESSEN Robert A	4
LENG Yize	(2) 4
LEVINE Gary T	(2) 4
PEREGOY Patrick	(1) 4
REJDYCH Jacek K	(1) 4
SUAREZ Ronald J	4
WILHELM John H	4
ZIMMERLE R Wayne	4

Class D Ex-Urban Points:

CUNNINGHAM Robert E	10.5
PAUL Gabriel S	(2) 6
SCHAEFFER John D	(2) 5
BROWN John Raymond	4
CATHER Evan	(2) 3.5
REYES Donald J	(2) 3.5

WHIPPLE Charles	(2) 3.5
BURKETT Bruce	(2) 3
CATHER Eric W	(2) 3
LOPEZ Eugene C	(1) 3
PAUL Barry S	(2) 3
SCHULTE Bill	(1) 3
SMITH Jeffrey L	(2) 3
STRONG Joshua A	(2) 3

Class E Ex-Urban Points:

CUNNINGHAM Robert E	10.5
SCHAEFFER John D	(2) 4
WHIPPLE Charles	(2) 3.5
BROWN John Raymond	3
CATHER Eric W	(2) 3
LOPEZ Eugene C	(1) 3
PAUL Barry S	(2) 3
SCHULTE Bill	(1) 3
SMITH Jeffrey L	(2) 3
STRONG Joshua A	(2) 3

Class F Ex-Urban Points:

SHERIDAN Stephen	(1) 2.5
BROWN John Raymond	2
CANAVAN Dylan	(1) 2
CATHER Eric W	(2) 2
CREELY Tom J	(1) 2
GANNON Dan I	(1) 2
PAUL Barry S	(2) 2
RUAN Gordon	(1) 2
VOSS David J	(1) 2

Class G Ex-Urban Points:

CANAVAN Dylan	(1) 2
VOSS David J	(1) 2

Class H Ex-Urban Points:

VOSS David J	(1) 2
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Class I Ex-Urban Points:

VOSS David J	(1) 2
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Class J Ex-Urban Points:

KEROLUS Mena	(1) 1
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NOTICE TO ORGANIZERS OF ICA TOUR EVENTS

Two changes to the ICA Tour will become effective with tournaments held on or after September 1, 2003:

(1) The maximum Tour fee will increase from \$100 to \$150 for a MAXI-event, and from \$50 to \$75 for a mini- or micro-event. Minimums will remain at \$50 for a MAXI-, \$0 for a mini-.

The only events affected by these increases will be MAXI-events with over 100 players, and mini- and micro-events with over 50 players. Smaller tournaments will still pay a fee of \$1 per player. The new fees are: (a) For a MAXI-event, \$1 per player, with a \$150 maximum and a \$50 minimum. (b) For a mini- or micro-event, \$1 per player, with a \$75 maximum and no minimum.

(2) Organizers of MAXI- and mini-events will be required to furnish duplicate-type ("carbon copy") scoresheets, to facilitate collection of game scores for publication in the Illinois Chess Bulletin. In addition, organizers must designate a location (typically a cardboard box) where players can deposit their scoresheets, and must announce before round 1 that players are expected to turn in their scoresheets.

Tim Just Winter Open

Stamnov-Quan-Gorlin Tie for First at Winter Open Flores-Witek Top the Reserve Section

By Tim Just

On January 4-5 seventy-two woodpushers gathered to meet old friends and test their chess skills against new ones. Eventually it was the Winter Open veterans that topped the wallchart at the end of round five.

With four points out of five, and not a loss among them, Aleksandra Stamnov (2263), super junior Zhe Quan (2238), and Expert Andrey Gorlin (2165) shared equally in the first-second-third place prizes totaling \$575. Interestingly both Stamnov and Quan did not essay a game between them; however, they both drew with Gorlin.

Experts Igor Tsyganov and Jason Duncan split the \$225 first and second place combined cash between them with scores of 3.5-1.5 each. Also

with a score of 3.5-1.5, the top A and Below prize of \$125 went to Peter Karagianis. Claiming the \$100 second place gold in that class with a score of 3-2 was David Nordahl.

The Reserve section kingpins with scores of 4.5-0.5 each were Josh Flores (1754) and Greg Witek (1649). They split \$425 between them for their first-second place tie. Third place was combined with the Top C prize for a total of \$275 that was divided between 4-1 scoring Anthony Napoli (1634) and Derrick Higgins (1535). Had Anthony been victorious in his last round encounter with Josh Flores he would have been the first person to top the Reserve section 3 years in a row. Byron Chen, Aaron Anderson, Gary Levine, Gerard Sullivan, and Dan Krepich split up the \$100 second place prize in the C class by accumulating 3.5 points each. The D/E class prize of \$100 was split between 3 point scoring Shane Polizzano and Micah Martin.

Wayne Clark and Tim Just organized and directed the event for the College of Lake County Chess Club.

Tim Just's Winter Open

January 4-5, 2003

OPEN SECTION												score	tour
1	STAMNOV Aleksandar	IL	2263	W18	W 6	D 4	D 3	W 7				4	12 M
2	QUAN Zhe	IL	2238	W11	W10	H	W 4	D 3				4	12 M
3	GORLIN Andrey	IL	2165	W26	W19	W16	D 1	D 2				4	12 MX
4	TSYGANOV Igor M	IL	2180	W14	W 9	D 1	L 2	W12				3.5	7 MX
5	DUNCAN Jason	IL	2021	W15	W20	H	D 7	D 6				3.5	7 MX
6	KARAGIANIS Pete D	IL	1982	W23	L 1	W13	W 9	D 5				3.5	7 MXA
7	SZPISJAK Steven J	IL	2205	D 12	W25	W 8	D 5	L 1				3	6 M
8	BONDAR Leonid	IL	2000	D 16	W24	L 7	H	W14				3	6 MX
9	NORDAHL David	IL	1977	W13	L 4	W20	L 6	W19				3	6 MXA
10	COHEN Lawrence S	IL	2000	W22	L 2	L 12	W16	D 11				2.5	5 MX
11	AARON Michael E	IL	1939	L 2	W26	D 21	D 19	D 10				2.5	5 MXA
12	HERNANDEZ Hector	IL	1921	D 7	D 21	W10	D 18	L 4				2.5	5 MXA
13	MALONEY Michael A	IL	1920	L 9	W23	L 6	W20	D 17				2.5	5 MXA
14	LAWRENCE Danyul	IL	1911	L 4	D 22	W24	W21	L 8				2.5	5 MXA
15	BAUMGARTNER Chrs	IL	1759	L 5	L 18	D 17	B	W22				2.5	5 MXAB
16	GORODETSKIY Steve	IL	1719	D 8	W17	L 3	L 10	W21				2.5	5 MXAB
17	LONCAREVIC Robert	IL	2012	L 19	L 16	D 15	W24	D 13				2	4 MX
18	HERDERSON Scot L	IL	1957	L 1	W15	H	D 12	-				2	4 MXA
19	LACEY Patrick M	IL	1757	W17	L 3	H	D 11	L 9				2	4 MXAB
20	PARNABY Mark S	IL	1803	W27	L 5	L 9	L 13	W23				2	4 MXAB
21	STEVANOVIC Miomir	IL	2010	H	D 12	D 11	L 14	L 16				1.5	3 MX
22	SCHMIDT Scott	IL	1707	L 10	D 14	D 25	D 23	L 15				1.5	3 MXAB
23	BRONNER Benjamin	IL	1621	L 6	L 13	B	D 22	L 20				1.5	3 MXAB
24	SWINDELL Frankie	IL	1465	H	L 8	L 14	L 17	B				1.5	3 MXABC
25	MONATELLI David	IL	1890	H	L 7	D 22	-	-				1	2 MXA
26	GANDHI Rajen C	IL	1836	L 3	L 11	H	-	-				0.5	1 MXA
27	KREPICH Daniel S	IL	1475	L 20	-	-	-	-				0	

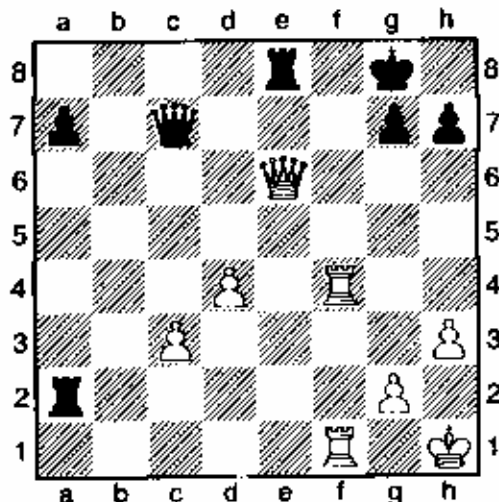
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RESERVE SECTION

									score	tour
1	FLORES Joshua	IL	1754	D 22	W 21	W 35	W 4	W 3	4.5	19 B
2	WITEK Gregory A	IL	1649	X	W 16	W 11	H	W 8	4.5	19 B
3	NAPOLI Anthony	IL	1634	W 23	W 32	W 24	W 6	L 1	4	12 B
4	HIGGINS Derrick C	IL	1535	W 43	W 5	W 13	L 1	W 18	4	12 BC
5	PHAN Hieu	IL	1699	W 19	L 4	H	W 29	W 22	3.5	7 B
6	CHEN Byron H	IL	1549	W 41	W 38	W 12	L 3	D 9	3.5	7 BC
7	ANDERSON Aaron J	IL	1549	W 42	D 34	H	W 17	D 10	3.5	7 BC
8	LEVINE Gary T	IL	1496	W 33	D 35	W 34	W 11	L 2	3.5	7 BC
9	SULLIVAN Gerard	IL	1479	W 37	L 12	W 21	W 24	D 6	3.5	7 BC
10	KREPICH Daniel S	IL	1475	-	W 42	W 32	W 13	D 7	3.5	7 BC
11	NAPOLI Steven	IL	1718	W 18	W 26	L 2	L 8	W 27	3	6 B
12	LYON Derek H	IL	1645	W 20	W 9	L 6	D 22	D 19	3	6 B
13	ENGELN Mark S	IL	1645	W 30	W 27	L 4	L 10	W 28	3	6 B
14	BENFORADO Ed	IL	1497	L 21	W 41	W 28	L 18	W 30	3	6 BC
15	MORAN Philip D	IL	1493	H	D 22	D 29	W 20	D 16	3	6 BC
16	DUBIN Joshua	IL	1491	W 36	L 2	W 40	D 19	D 15	3	6 BC
17	EDELSTEIN Sam	IL	1444	L 38	W 43	W 25	L 7	W 24	3	6 BC
18	PAUL Gabriel S	IL	1442	L 11	W 33	W 39	W 14	L 4	3	6 BC
19	LENG Yize	IL	1437	L 5	W 36	W 26	D 16	D 12	3	6 BC
20	POLIZZANO Shane	OR	1267	L 12	W 37	W 27	L 15	W 25	3	6 BCD
21	MARTIN Micah	IL	1108	W 14	L 1	L 9	W 40	W 26	3	6 BCDE
22	AILES Tim S	IL	1472	D 1	D 15	W 38	D 12	L 5	2.5	5 BC
23	FENG Justin L	IL	1236	L 3	L 25	D 36	W 37	X	2.5	5 BCD
24	DUEKER John T	IL	1598	W 31	W 40	L 3	L 9	L 17	2	4 BC
25	PADILLA Rudy R	IL	1591	L 32	W 23	L 17	W 41	L 20	2	4 BC
26	FISHMAN Joey D	IL	1528	W 45	L 11	L 19	W 32	L 21	2	4 BC
27	BIEGAY Chris	IL	1489	W 44	L 13	L 20	W 33	L 11	2	4 BC
28	NAPOLI Mike S	IL	1464	L 34	W 45	L 14	W 44	L 13	2	4 BC
29	MARTIN Alexander	IL	1318	L 35	W 44	D 15	L 5	D 31	2	4 BCD
30	MARTIN Eric	IL	1259	L 13	H	D 31	X	L 14	2	4 BCD
31	CUNNINGHAM Robert	IL	1191	L 24	L 39	D 30	W 36	D 29	2	4 BCDE
32	GANNON Dan I	IL	1185	W 25	L 3	L 10	L 26	W 43	2	4 BCDE
33	ROSEN Eric S	IL	1072	L 8	L 18	W 43	L 27	W 41	2	4 BCDE
34	FISCHER Gregory A	IL	1731	W 28	D 7	L 8	-	-	1.5	3 B
35	UNTERMYER Abraham	IL	1650	W 29	D 8	L 1	-	-	1.5	3 B
36	GRIFFIN Danny L	IL	1068	L 16	L 19	D 23	L 31	W 44	1.5	3 BCDE
37	VAUGHAN Benjamin	IL	774	L 9	L 20	B	L 23	H	1.5	3 BCDEFG
38	LEYEMSON Michael	IL	1721	W 17	L 6	L 22	F	-	1	2 B
39	NAPOLI Carmelo S	IL	1681	L 40	W 31	L 18	-	-	1	2 B
40	ZEMGULYS Joseph G	IL	1400	W 39	L 24	L 16	L 21	F	1	2 BC
41	GRIFFIN Larry	IL	1156	L 6	L 14	W 45	L 25	L 33	1	2 BCDE

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1.d4 d5 2.e3 Nf6 3.f4 Bg4 4.Nf3 Nbd7 5.Bd3 Ne4 6.0-0 c5 7.c3 c4 8.Bc2 e6 9.Nbd2 Nxd2 10.Bxd2 Bd6 11.b3 Qc7 12.bxc4 Qxc4 13.Bb3 Qd3 14.Bc2 Qc4 15.h3 Bxf3 16.Qxf3 Qc7 17.f5 Nf6 18.fxe6 fxe6 19.e4 Bh2+ 20.Kh1 dxe4 21.Bxe4 0-0 22.Bxb7 Rab8 23.Be4 Nxe4 24.Qxe4 Rfe8 25.Rf3 Bd6 26.Raf1 Rb2 27.Bf4 Bxf4 28.Rxf4 Rxa2 29.Qxe6+



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Peoria Tornado

January 11, 2003

								score	tour
1	LONG David	IL	1847	W 18	W 17	W 11	D 5	3.5	7.5 XA
2	NAFF William A	IL	2000	W 18	W 7	D 5	H	3	4 X
3	KARAGIANIS Pete D	IA	1982	W 20	L 11	W 19	W 10	3	4 XA
4	MALONEY Michael A	IL	1920	H	W 14	D 6	W 11	3	4 XA
5	JARRETTE Phil	IL	1823	W 12	W 21	D 2	D 1	3	4 XA
6	STEVANOVIC Miomir	IL	2010	H	W 15	D 4	D 7	2.5	2.5 X
7	LITKE Kevin L	MO	1793	W 13	L 2	W 12	D 6	2.5	2.5 XAB
8	FRANEK Martin J	IL	1702	L 15	W 16	W 21	H	2.5	2.5 XAB
9	MILES Kyle J	IL	1769	L 14	L 12	W 15	W 21	2	2 XAB
10	HEALY James D	IL	1737	L 21	W 20	W 13	L 3	2	2 XAB
11	KANNIAH Surash	IL	1704	W 19	W 3	L 1	L 4	2	2 XAB
12	VOSS Andy S	IL	1487	L 5	W 9	L 7	W 18	2	2 XABC
13	LAGUMBAY Charles	IL	1379	L 7	W 18	L 10	W 17	2	2 XABCD
14	MALCOME Freddie L	IL	1372	W 9	L 4	W 17	-	2	2 XABCD
15	FRIEDMANN Max	IL	1200	W 8	L 6	L 9	W 19	2	2 XABCD
16	SUAREZ Ronald J	IL	1516	L 1	L 8	W 20	H	1.5	1.5 XABC
17	ZIMMERLE R Wayne	IL	1658	W 22	L 1	L 14	L 13	1	1 XAB
18	DUEKER John T	IL	1598	L 2	L 13	W 22	L 12	1	1 XABC
19	KILLIAN Stephen D	IA	1596	L 11	W 22	L 3	L 15	1	1 XABC
20	BONZON Roman	IL	1393	L 3	L 10	L 16	W 22	1	1 XABCD
21	BURKETT Bruce	IL	1375	W 10	L 5	L 8	L 9	1	1 XABCD
22	RUTH James	IL	1070	L 17	L 19	L 18	L 20	0	

PEORIA SPRING TORNADO

AN ICA MINI-TOUR & EX-URBAN EVENT

WHEN: Saturday, April 26, 2003

WHERE: Lakeview Museum, 1125 W. Lake Ave., Peoria IL 61614

ENTRY FEE: \$14 by April 24, \$17 at the site, free to players rated 2200 or over

WHAT: 4 Round Swiss

TIME CONTROL: Game/80

SECTIONS: Open to all

MEMBERSHIPS REQUIRED: USCF & ICA (other states honored)

PRIZES: 75% of EF's distributed as follows:

25% First, 15% Second. 10% each to under 2000, under 1600, under 1200.

Upset: 5%

REGISTRATION: 8:00-8:45 AM

ROUND TIMES: 9, 12, 2:45, 5:30

NOTE: A limit of one "1/2 point" bye is available in any Rd, but Rds. 3 or 4 must be elected by the end of Rd. 2.

NO SMOKING. BRING SETS, BOARDS, & CLOCKS.

ADVANCE ENTRIES: Fred Malcome, 810 W. Progress, Metamora IL 61548

(309) 367-4833 e-mail: flmalcome@bwsys.net

Elmhurst Classic

January 18-19, 2003

OPEN SECTION

									score	tour	
1	YOUNG Angelo	IM	IL	2384	W20	W17	W9	D2	W7	4.5	19M
2	PALOS Osmand	IM	IL	2341	W32	W10	W3	D1	W9	4.5	19M
3	CHOW Albert C	FM	IL	2218	W6	W12	L2	W19	D4	3.5	7M
4	SZPISJAK Steven J		IL	2205	W16	D19	D11	W13	D3	3.5	7M
5	KLUG Steffen H		IL	2181	L7	W30	H	W16	W11	3.5	7MX
6	CAVITT Dexter		IL	1934	L3	W25	D10	X	W15	3.5	7MXA
7	PETKOV Plamen D		IL	1901	W5	D18	W27	W8	L1	3.5	7MXA
8	BETANELI Alexande	WI	WI	2295	W21	D11	D19	L7	W23	3	6M
9	STAMNOV Aleksanda		IL	2263	W15	W31	L1	W12	L2	3	6M
10	MARSHALL James A		IL	2155	W29	L2	D6	D23	W24	3	6MX
11	ROHRBAUGH Tommy P	MO	MO	2056	W24	D8	D4	W14	L5	3	6MX
12	ZINYTCH Miron		IL	2037	W14	L3	W18	L9	W25	3	6MX
13	MALONEY Michael A		IL	1920	D27	W28	D17	L4	W18	3	6MXA
14	POTTS Kevin J		IL	1690	L12	B	W31	L11	W19	3	6MXAB
15	SOLLANO Ely O		IL	1944	L9	W29	H	W28	L6	2.5	5MXA
16	HART Vincent J		IL	1922	L4	D20	W22	L5	W28	2.5	5MXA
17	TSYGANOV Igor M		IL	2180	W23	L1	D13	D24	-	2	4MX
18	GORLIN Andrey		IL	2165	D28	D7	L12	W21	L13	2	4MX
19	LONCAREVIC Robert		IL	2012	W26	D4	D8	L3	L14	2	4MX
20	STEVANOVIC Miomir		IL	2010	L1	D16	L28	W30	D22	2	4MX
21	NIENART Christoph		IL	1944	L8	L24	W30	L18	W31	2	4MXA
22	HERNANDEZ Hector		IL	1921	H	L27	L16	W29	D20	2	4MXA
23	LAZEBNIK Yakov		IL	1860	L17	W32	H	D10	L8	2	4MXA
24	WIDELKA Adam B		IL	1800	L11	W21	H	D17	L10	2	4MXA
25	SETHI Rishi		IL	1704	L31	L6	B	W32	L12	2	4MXAB
26	VENUSO Michael A		IL	1634	L19	H	H	W31	-	2	4MXAB
27	TENNANT Steven		IL	2200	D13	W22	L7	F	-	1.5	3M
28	COVIC Mehmed		IL	1858	D18	L13	W20	L15	L16	1.5	3MXA
29	DUPUIS Erik G		IL	1824	L10	L15	D32	L22	W33	1.5	3MXA
30	LACEY Patrick M		IL	1757	H	L5	L21	L20	W32	1.5	3MXAB
31	MARKOVIC Arandel		IL	2039	W25	L9	L14	L26	L21	1	2MX
32	MORENO Jacobo		IL	1999	L2	L23	D29	L25	L30	0.5	1MXA
33	CHEN Byron H		IL	1549	-	-	-	-	L29	0	

UNDER-1800 SECTION

										score	tour
1	WU Fan	WI	WI	1698	W10	W17	W23	W4	D3	4.5	19B
2	BARBIN Joseph		IL	1692	W28	D18	D20	W23	W11	4	12B
3	RICHARDS Joseph P	WI	WI	1574	W25	D9	W19	W20	D1	4	12BC
4	GROEGER Andrew T		IL	1741	W31	W22	W11	L1	D9	3.5	7B
5	DIAMOND William F		IL	1687	L18	W31	W22	H	W17	3.5	7B
6	EASTON Richard Dw		IL	1672	L23	W10	W15	D17	W19	3.5	7B
7	BLACKMAN William		IL	1649	L11	W28	W24	D18	W20	3.5	7B
8	ENGELEN Mark S		IL	1645	X	L20	D13	W27	W18	3.5	7B
9	LENG Yize		IL	1437	W26	D3	D16	W25	D4	3.5	7BC
10	JACOBSON James		IL	1549	L1	L6	W28	W21	W22	3	6BC
11	BIAREISHYK Sjarhe	WI	WI	1471	W7	W15	L4	W16	L2	3	6BC
12	DJORDJEVIC Vladimir		IL	1692	L17	W14	D25	L19	W23	2.5	5B
13	BRONNER Benjamin		IL	1621	D27	D24	D8	H	H	2.5	5B
14	DUEKER John T		IL	1598	L20	L12	D31	W26	W25	2.5	5BC
15	PADILLA Rudy R		IL	1591	W29	L11	L6	W24	D16	2.5	5BC
16	KASIURAK Zach		IL	1565	D30	W27	D9	L11	D15	2.5	5BC
17	DUBIN Joshua		IL	1491	W12	L1	W21	D6	L5	2.5	5BC
18	KREPICH Daniel S		IL	1475	W5	D2	H	D7	L8	2.5	5BC
19	SWINDELL Frankie		IL	1465	H	W30	L3	W12	L6	2.5	5BC
20	HEISER Eric A		IL	1382	W14	W8	D2	L3	L7	2.5	5BCD
21	WITEK Gregory A		IL	1649	B	L23	L17	L10	W28	2	4B
22	MC CLURE Eugene L		IL	1568	X	L4	L5	W29	L10	2	4BC
23	PRIJIC Abdulah		IL	1473	W6	W21	L1	L2	L12	2	4BC
24	EDELSTEIN Sam		IL	1444	H	D13	L7	L15	W29	2	4BC
25	BAUMGARTNER Chris		IL	1759	L3	W26	D12	L9	L14	1.5	3B
26	MONTALTI Gianluca		IL	1647	L9	L25	H	L14	W31	1.5	3B
27	WILHELM John H		IL	1400	D13	L16	W29	L8	-	1.5	3BC
28	LEVINE Gary T		IL	1496	L2	L7	L10	W31	L21	1	2BC
29	BRODERICK John M		IL	1121	L15	B	L27	L22	L24	1	2BCDE
30	FLORES Joshua		IL	1754	D16	L19	-	-	-	0.5	1B
31	CHEN Byron H		IL	1549	L4	L5	D14	L28	L26	0.5	1BC

Elmhurst Classic

UNDER-1400 SECTION

									score	tour
1	GONZALEZ Marcos A	IL 1122	W 16	W 22	D 6	W 12	W 3		4.5	19 DE
2	SEYMOUR Vance	IL -	D 18	W 17	W 22	W 6	W 5		4.5	
3	DZANANOVIC Muhame	IL 1357	W 20	W 4	W 11	W 5	L 1		4	12 D
4	FENG Justin L	IL 1236	X	L 3	W 10	W 11	W 8		4	12 D
5	BONZON Roman	IL 1392	W 8	W 13	W 12	L 3	L 2		3	6 D
6	LAGUMBAY Charles	IL 1379	W 9	W 7	D 1	L 2	D 13		3	6 D
7	PHELPS Douglas	IL 1143	W 15	L 6	L 8	W 19	W 16		3	6 DE
8	LAUGER Lloyd	IL 1106	L 5	W 21	W 7	W 16	L 4		3	6 DE
9	GRIFFIN Danny L	IL 1068	L 6	W 23	D 13	W 14	D 12		3	6 DE
10	KELLY Patrick	IL -	L 19	W 20	L 4	W 17	W 18		3	
11	LAMBERT Gwayne	IL -	W 17	W 18	L 3	L 4	W 15		3	
12	LEWIS Richard	IL 1285	W 23	W 19	L 5	L 1	D 9		2.5	5 D
13	HASS Matthew Y	IL 1255	W 21	L 5	D 9	H	D 6		2.5	5 D
14	SHELAT Ashutosh T	IL 968	L 22	W 15	H	L 9	W 20		2.5	5 DEF
15	GUINTO Michael	IL -	L 7	L 14	B	W 22	L 11		2	
16	ROCKFORD Michael	IL -	L 1	B	W 19	L 8	L 7		2	
17	GRIFFIN Larry	IL 1156	L 11	L 2	X	L 10	D 23		1.5	3 DE
18	HAMILTON Mark P	IL 1122	D 2	L 11	F	W 21	L 10		1.5	3 DE
19	LOPEZ Eugene C	IL 1113	W 10	L 12	L 16	L 7	H		1.5	3 DE
20	O'BRIEN Brian	978	L 3	L 10	D 21	W 23	L 14		1.5	3 DEF
21	NICKELS Jeffrey L	IL 882	L 13	L 8	D 20	L 18	B		1.5	3 DEF
22	GRANDBERRY Willie	IL 1350	W 14	L 1	L 2	L 15	-		1	2 D
23	HUBBARD Mark J	IL 907	L 12	L 9	H	L 20	D 17		1	2 DEF

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Rockford Winter Open

By Joe Guth

The Rockford Winter Open was a tremendous success! Our location changed to the Sweden House to allow for more tournaments as well as the two-day variety. The location also allows for quicker and closer food selections. We had 40 players competing for the various prizes, up from the 33 at the October Tournament. In the crowd were two masters, Aleksander Stannov and Glen Gratz. Along with them, we had four experts competing. They were Robert Loncarevic, Miomir Stevanovic, and Larry Cohen.

Master Gratz mowed through the field with precision, notching up a perfect record. Master Stannov knocked down his first three competitors. In the fourth round he met Robert Loncarevic. Robert also had gotten to the 3 and 0 mark by solid play. When the dust had settled, Robert was on top of the heap right beside Master Gratz. Both walked away with half of the guaranteed prize fund, a chunk of ICA tour points, and three USCF Grand Prix points.

Tim Hoffman was the top under-1800 player with a 3 and 1 mark. His only loss came in the fourth round against the eventual Co-Champion, Master Gratz. The under-1600 prize

was split between Jacek Rejdych and Zach Beach. Both had 3 points. Zach hauled in 63 rating points with a tremendous performance. David Papke won the under-1400 prize with 2 ½ points. Robert Cunningham won the under-1200 prize with 2 wins.

Joe Guth organized the Rockford Winter Open. The Tournament Directors were Gary Sargent and Chuck Beach.

Our next open tournament will be held at the Sweden House on May 3rd, see the ICB Calendar or www.Rockfordchess.org. It will have the same format as the Winter Open.

We have heard from various area players and have decided to make a few changes to our Forest City Championships. We are now offering a six round Swiss system at G/75. The start time each day will be one hour later. This will allow for better chess. More players will have opportunity to get to the tournament without having to rise at too early of a time. For more information, including map information to the tournament site, check out our web site: <http://www.rockfordchess.org/tourn/fcc/2003/index.html>

Rockford Winter Open

February 8, 2003

							score	tour
1	GRATZ Glenn	2201	W 11	W 17	W 6	W 8	4	14 M
2	LONGAREVIC Robert	2031	W 30	W 21	W 13	W 3	4	14 MX
3	STAMNOV Aleksandar	2236	W 23	W 18	W 5	L 2	3	4 M
4	STEVANOVIC Miomir	2010	W 24	W 19	W 15	-	3	4 MX
5	COHEN Lawrence S	2007	W 29	W 22	L 3	W 17	3	4 MX
6	HERNANDEZ Hector R	1916	W 9	W 32	L 1	W 19	3	4 MXA
7	JARRETTE Phil	1834	L 12	W 29	W 22	W 21	3	4 MXA
8	HOFFMAN Tim G	1739	W 25	W 35	W 16	L 1	3	4 MXAB
9	REJDYCH Jacek K	1501	L 6	W 33	W 35	W 13	3	4 MXABC
10	BEACH Zachary J	1486	D 16	D 20	W 14	W 15	3	4 MXABC
11	LAGUMBAY Charles P	1412	L 1	W 34	W 26	D 16	2.5	2.5 MXABC
12	PAPKE David J	1186	W 7	L 15	D 20	W 28	2.5	2.5 MXABCDE
13	COVIC Mehmed	1811	X	W 31	L 2	L 9	2	2 MXA
14	BAUMGARTNER Christopher	1738	L 31	W 30	L 10	W 33	2	2 MXAB
15	HEALY James D	1727	W 33	W 12	L 4	L 10	2	2 MXAB
16	SEYMOUR Vance	1713	D 10	W 28	L 8	D 11	2	2 MXAB
17	FRANEK Martin J	1707	W 34	L 1	W 23	L 5	2	2 MXAB
18	GUTH Joseph R	1691	W 37	L 3	W 24	-	2	2 MXAB
19	BLACKMAN William A	1649	W 38	L 4	W 31	L 6	2	2 MXAB
20	WARD Don	1531	D 28	D 10	D 12	D 26	2	2 MXABC
21	O'BRIEN Matthew M	1502	W 36	L 2	W 32	L 7	2	2 MXABC
22	LEVINE Gary T	1492	X	L 5	L 7	W 32	2	2 MXABC
23	LENG Yize	1484	L 3	W 36	L 17	W 31	2	2 MXABC
24	PAUL Gabriel S	1399	L 4	W 38	L 18	W 35	2	2 MXABCD
25	CUNNINGHAM Robert E	1191	L 8	L 26	W 38	W 29	2	2 MXABCDE
26	HEIVLIN Jay	1727	L 32	W 25	L 11	D 20	1.5	1.5 MXAB
27	KILLIAN Stephen D	1602	L 35	D 37	L 28	W 34	1.5	1.5 MXAB
28	WHIPPLE Charles A	1130	D 20	L 16	W 27	L 12	1.5	1.5 MXABCDE
29	BONZON Roman	1393	L 5	L 7	W 37	L 25	1	1 MXABCD

OFFER A COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP!

by: Mrs. Kelly Jacobs

Prolong the life of your Scholastic Chess players by providing a prize they will covet more than a trophy, a college scholarship. Sometimes they are easy to get: you pick up the telephone, call the college of your choice, ascertain the proper authority who can say yes to a scholarship request, then ask. Every request, whether you get a yes or no answer, must be followed by a request in writing. If the answer is no, remember what we tell our chess students: try, try again.

When writing a letter requesting a college scholarship as a prize for your annual or maybe singular chess event, you should include the following information which the reader will find important: What is the name, date, projected attendance numbers and location of your event. Are you representing a for-profit or not-for-profit club (include tax exempt number) or business. How much of a scholarship do you want (ask for 2; one for the top girl and one for the boy, this will keep the girls playing) but be flexible and take whatever you can get. How is your event publicized, and what would the college get out of it? Remember that college staff changes and other political jockeying may require your letter to be read by people you will never know about, so writing an informative letter that addresses important possible questions and their answers is important for your success.

Many colleges acquire money by winning grants which usually require them to do some community service work. It is therefore very important that you detail how often and where your club has and does meet, and how many children you teach chess to after school. Your community service can become their community service if they sponsor your main event. If they do not have funds when you first ask for them they could be written into an upcoming grant request for future chess tournaments, which you should suggest in your own scholarship request letter.

Colleges also have these concerns: entrance requirements and no existing chess club. To protect yourself you must advertise your prize honestly and use the terms: the winner(s) must meet all entrance requirements. There are some colleges who offer chess scholarships who do not have a chess club. That is because they wish to obtain LOCAL well-trained minds for their programs. So in your letter tell them the winners must meet their eligibility req.'s and if they do or do not have a chess club, that is not important. What is important is the strength of their student body to complete their task of finishing their courses, and chess players are excellent students. Right now there are 13 States and 22 different types of chess scholarship prizes for chess tournaments being offered that I know about. You can see my list at www.essentialdecisions.com/chess, and make a copy to accompany your request. There is also a sample scholarship request letter at this and the USCF chess scholarship website. In addition to your letter, you should add newspaper articles about your club and any other printed material that has raised your profile. I offered two \$500 scholarships to Ole Miss (top girl & boy) at my singular summer Scholastic event in 2001. I just asked and was told yes.

If they tell you no, (write at least twice a year to ask again), then I have more suggestions for your "scholarship committee", whose permanent function is to think of ways to get a chess scholarship. They can raise money by sending letters to businesses, sell special candy or chess T-shirts at club meetings or tournaments, or have a bake sale or a car wash. Offering any denomination of a college scholarship will get the ball rolling and possibly attract a sponsor for a future event. Your committee can apply for a grant to fund the scholarship (like North Carolina did palmer@brinet.com), or open a "Grandparents for Chess" bank account for a small monetary donation for every chess tournament they cannot attend. A committee will be ingenious because they will be motivated chess parents who want a scholarship and will work on gathering the money to fund it. You can have a chess scholarship, just ASK, be persistent, be flexible and be patient.

13 States offer 21 Different College Scholarships for Scholastic Chess Players

Florida:

Harriet L. Wilkes Honors College of Florida
Atlantic University (\$500.00 yearly Scholarship).

Hawaii:

Hawaii Pacific University & Chaminade
University

Our State Scholastic Championships in 2002 offered as a special prize \$1000 scholarships from Hawaii Pacific University & Chaminade University for each of the top two 12th grade finishers! I am not sure what the final offering will be this year. We are hoping to have a larger one from the University of Hawaii. Our State Scholastic Director, Guy P. Ontai gpontai@hawaii.m.com is still putting together the details for that event to be held in April 2003, in Honolulu. Randy Prothero, President, Hawaii Chess Federation.

Illinois:

Shimer College awards a maximum of \$2,000 per person per year. Contact Dr. David Shiner, chess coach, at david@shimer.edu or 847-249-7891.

Louisiana:

Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge for chess scholarships for the year 2003.

Maryland:

1. The University of Maryland at Baltimore,

Mississippi:

1. Ole Miss in Oxford Two \$500 scholarships for the top girl and top boy winners of the Dexter Visits the 2nd Tiger Scholastic Chess Tournament.

2. Mississippi State University in Starkville-

Two \$500.00 scholarships for the top boy and girl chess players at the MS State Chess Championships for 2002 and 2003.

3. Jackson State University in Jackson Two \$500.00 scholarships for the top boy and girl chess players at the MS State Chess Championships for 2002 and 2003. yes they get to choose their college!

North Carolina:

An annual College scholarship dispersment of at least \$300 in perpetuity!

A local charitable foundation, the Henderson County Community Foundation offered a scholarship program where if you invested a minimum of \$5000, they would guarantee an annual scholarship dispersment of at least \$300 in perpetuity. We have given out six, \$300 scholarships so far and this year a donor came forward with an additional \$200 to bump it up to \$500. As a part of our scholastic program though it has been a cornerstone of our promotional efforts. Last November (2002) we had 215 students play in a USCF rated chess tournament here in Hendersonville and last March, we hosted the NC State scholastic championship with over 400 participants from all over NC. For more information contact Chuck Palmer, HCSCA, <http://www.brinet.com/~palmer/hcsc>, palmer@brinet.com

Ohio:

Kenyon College, Cleveland, Ohio - \$10,000 toward \$35,000 per year tuition.

Oklahoma:

1. Rose State College in Oklahoma

Offer A Collage Scholarship

Rhode Island:

1. Rhode Island College,

6th through 8th grade for the 2002-2003 school year. Value \$2,500.

Tennessee:

1. Tennessee Technical University (4 years valued at \$12,000),

7. St. Mary's University, San Antonio

Has recognized a revived, national enthusiasm for chess with the establishment of two, \$5,000-per-year scholarships for students who play the game competitively. One scholarship will be awarded to the winner of a regional chess tournament still to be determined. The other scholarship recipient will be a member of the Original Wimberley Scholastic Chess Club, a program sponsored by the Wimberley nonprofit Skipperweb, started by Robert Skipper, a St. Mary's University philosophy professor and scholarship founder. The first two scholarships will be awarded next spring to a current high school junior or senior.

Texas:

1. University of Texas--Dallas

Academic Excellence Scholarship -- waiver of all tuition and mandatory fees plus \$1000 per year toward housing for each of 4 years. Scholarship will be upgraded if student has an excellent academic record. Approximate value \$18,000+.

PLMK if I missed any.

Sincerely,

2. Texas A&M University--Kingsville,

Housing Scholarship -- this is a four-year scholarship and is valued at \$7,500.

Written by: Mrs. Kelly Jacobs, Coach for The Knights of DeSoto Chess Club, Coach of The World Geography Club of White Station Middle School, Member of the USCF Scholastic Committee, Japanese Persimmon & Plum Farmer, -R- Ponderosa Persimmon Ranch, 3985 Robertson, Hernando, Mississippi 38632, 662-429-4412 or Kellitaj@aol.com

3. University of Texas--Brownsville

President's Chess Scholarship -- UTB will offer two four-year scholarships to top students in South Texas. These scholarships will include tuition, books, and fees with a value of over \$10,000 each.

4. Southwest Texas State University,

San Marcos Optimist International Scholarship - \$1,000 scholarship.

US Chess Live Fanotomas (1831) - ColleyChess (1634) ICB Editor Game 10

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1.e4 g6 2.f4 Bg7 3.Nf3 c6 4.Bc4 d5 5.exd5 cxd5
6.Bb3 Bg4 7.0-0 e6 8.d4 Nc6 9.c3 a6 10.Qd3
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18.g3 Qh6 19.Rg1 Bf6 20.Rf2 Qg7 21.Nf3 Rac8
22.g4 Nd6 23.g5 Be7 24.Bc2 Ne4 25.Rfg2 f5
26.Ne5 Rcd8 27.Qe3 Bd6 28.Bxe4 fxe4 29.Rf1
Bxe5 30.dxe5 Rf5 31.h4 Rdf8 32.Rgf2 h6 33.Kg3
hxg5 34.hxg5 Kf7 35.Qb6 Kg8 36.Qxe6+ R8f7
37.Qxd5 Qh7 38.Rh2 Qg7 39.e6 Rxd5 40.exf7+
Qxf7 41.Rfh1 Rd3+ 42.Kg2 Qxf4 43.Rh8+ Kf7
44.R1h7+ Ke6 45.Re8+ Kd6 46.Rd8+ Kc6
47.Rxd3 exd3 48.Rg7 Qxg5+ 49.Kf3 d2 50.b4
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5. Del Mar College

President's Chess Scholarship -- a two-year scholarship to include tuition, books, and fees with a value of over \$4,000 for a student within the local five-county area.

6. Incarnate Word Academy, Corpus Christi

President's Award - one semester scholarship for a boy or girl entering

ICA Club Affiliates

Organizations wishing to be listed here should mail an affiliation fee of \$25.00 for one year (check payable to Illinois Chess Association) to the ICA membership secretary, Bill Smythe, 7042 N Greenview Av #1-S, Chicago 60626-2833. Include a short paragraph, similar to those below, listing your club's activities.

Alternativa Group, Peter Pelts, 7135 Greenleaf Av, Niles 60714. 847-965-6469.

American Postal Chess Tournaments sponsors postal events and sells chess books and equipment. Jim or Helen Warren, PO Box 305, Western Springs 60558. 630-663-0688, apct@aol.com. Organizers of the U.S. Masters.

Chess Central sponsors rated tournaments in the Grayslake / Zion area. Tim Just, 37165 Willow, Gurnee 60031. 847-244-7954, timjust@Lnd.com.

Chess Utopia sponsors rated tournaments in the Lake County area, Fridays 6 pm. Frank Swindell, 847-816-0869, Swinchess@aol.com, www.ChessUtopia.org.

Chessterton Chess Club meets at Westchester Public Library, 200 W Indiana, Chesterton IN. Joe Alford, Joe.Alford@Kemper.com.

Chicago Industrial Chess League organizes frequent competition among commercial or government teams with awards, ratings, and special events. Pat Sajbel, 847-391-2134.

Chicagoland Community Chess Club (formerly Concordia) meets Tuesdays 6-11 pm, Border's (Cafe Espresso), 7100 Forest Preserve Dr, Norridge. Howard Fried, 773-889-8553, hfried1@sbcglobal.net, or Robert Loncarevic, 773-282-5148, TLSchgo@speedsite.com.

FIDE Master **Albert Chow** gives private lessons by appointment. 3513 N Seminary, Chicago 60657. 773-248-4846.

ChowMasterAl@yahoo.com

Continental Chess Association runs major tournaments nationwide, including the annual World Open in Philadelphia and the Chicago Open in late May each year. PO Box 249, Salisbury Mills NY 12577. Bill Goichberg, www.chesstour.com.

Crossroads Chess Club meets Tuesdays 6 pm, K Square Mall Food court, I-57 / I-70 exit 160, Effingham. Cameron Feltner, 217-844-2645.

Elmhurst Chess Club meets, and holds frequent USCF events, Sundays 6:30 to 11 pm, Room 18, Hammerschmidt Chapel, Elmhurst College, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst. Roger Birkeland, 630-832-1754, rogerdb9@earthlink.net, ElmhurstChess@aol.com.

Emerald Knight Chess Club, Fountaindale Public Library, 300 W Briarcliff Rd, Bolingbrook. Patrick Flynn, 630-759-7128, patrickjf@hotmail.com.

Evanston Township High School Chess Club, 1600 Dodge Av, Evanston 60204. Ken Lewandowski, 847-492-7932.

Fox Valley Chess Club meets Mondays 7-10 pm, Oberweis Dairy, 2nd floor training center, 951 Ice Cream Dr, Aurora. Bob Renaut, 630-983-0934.

Greater Peoria Chess Federation meets Mondays 7 pm, Lakeview Museum, 1125 W Lake Av, Peoria 61614. Wayne Zimmerle, 514 W Loucks Av #2, Peoria 61604. 309-692-4480 (day), 309-686-0192 (evenings), wzim@bwsys.net.

Hammond Chess Club, Charles Higgins, 116 Crestview St, Crown Point IN 46307. 219-663-8938.

Happy Squares offers group and private lessons, sets/books/clocks, as well as rated and unrated tournaments. Open to all ages Tuesdays 6-11 pm. Kids only Fridays 6-11 pm, Saturday afternoons

Where to Play

1-6 pm, and Saturday evenings 6-11 pm. 66 Gordon, Elk Grove Village 60007 (3 blocks east of Arlington Heights Rd off of Higgins). 866-KING-680 (866-546-4680). Les Bale, owner.

Highland Park High School Chess Team, 433 Vine Av, Highland Park 60035. Tesc Schultz, tschultz@d113.lake.k12.il.us.

House of Chess meets Saturdays 4:30 pm, 1st Baptist Church, 146 S Main St, Glen Carbon 62034. Paul Holland, 618-288-4117, <http://members.aol.com/houseofchess>.

Illini Chess Club meets Thursdays 7-10 pm, College of Education Building, Room 37, 6th & Pennsylvania), Urbana. www.uiuc.edu/ro/uichess. Jeff Davis.

Illinois Chess Coaches Association is open to scholastic chess coaches in Illinois. Mike Zacate, 708-479-9380, mezacate@aol.com.

Illinois Valley Chess Association meets Thursdays 7-10 pm, Illinois Valley YMCA, Adult Lounge, 300 Walnut St, Peru 61354. Bill Schulte, 520 First St, LaSalle 61301. 815-223-1505, bschulte@rivalins.com.

Illowa Chess Club meets Tuesdays 6:30-10 pm, St Ambrose University, Davenport IA. Matt Nemmers, qcchess@mehsi.com, www.quadcitychess.com.

Joliet Junior College Chess Club meets Thursdays 6:30 pm, Joliet Junior College, Building J, cafeteria, 1215 Houbolt Rd (I-80 exit 127), Joliet. Maps www.jjc.edu/maps/maincampus.html. Tim Owens, c/o JJC-IET, 214 N Ottawa St, Joliet 60432. 815-280-1513, towens@jjc.edu. Or Steve Decman, 1418 Devonshire Dr, Joliet 60435. 815-744-5272, www.jjc.edu/clubs/chess.

Lakeview Cuyler Chess Club meets Wednesdays 7-10 pm, Cuyler Covenant Church, Fellowship Hall, 3901 N Marshfield Av (corner of Byron St), Chicago 60613. Drew Morissee, 1614 W Byron

St, Chicago 60613. 312-494-1300 x12, WindyCityKnight@yahoo.com, <http://LakeviewCuylerChess.tripod.com>.

Mahomet-Seymour High School Chess Club, Dan Pirtle, 302 W State, Mahomet 61853. 217-586-4962. dpirt@ms.k12.il.us.

Mid-America Chess Association sponsors the popular website at www.64.com, and brings national tournaments to the Chicago area. midam@64.com.

Midway Chess Enterprises, PO Box 388765, Chicago 60638, whizline@home.com.

New Lenox Chess Club, c/o Vince Berry & Cindy Misiak, 815-463-9975, leave message. VWBerry@aol.com.

Park Forest Chess Club meets Thursdays 7-10 pm, Freedom Hall (next to the library), Lakewood Blvd just west of Orchard, Park Forest. Larry Cohen, 630-834-2477. www.tuxdomain.com/pfcc_club.html.

Rudy Lozano Library Chess Club, 1805 S Loomis, Chicago 60608. Hector Hernandez, 312-746-4329, hernande@chipublib.org.

Smythe Dakota Competitions encourages and offers financial support for Plus-Score Mini-Tours at sites in Chicago and adjoining suburbs. Bill Smythe, chichess@enteract.com.

St Charles Chess Club meets Thursdays 7-11 pm, Baker Community House, 101 S 2nd (Rt 31), St Charles. Jeff Wiewel, 1931 Dunhill Ct, Arlington Heights 60004. 847-818-8913, jwiewel@ntnusa.com.

The South Suburban Chess Club of Greater Chicago meets Fridays 7-11 pm, Oak View Recreation Center, 110th & Kilpatrick, Oak Lawn. Joe Bannon, 773-445-0631.

Springfield Chess Club meets Wednesdays 6-10 pm, American Legion Post 32, 5th & Capitol, Springfield. Thomas Knoedler, 2104 S Fourth St, Springfield 62703. 217-523-7265.

SquareHopper, Joshua Flores, Chess Professional. Available for any chess-related activity at reasonable rates. Specialties are tournament directing/organizing, coaching and teaching. Willing to travel. 630-430-CHES(s) anytime.

Tuley Park Chess Club holds frequent Saturday tournaments at Tuley Park Field House, 501 E 90th Pl, Chicago. Tom Fineberg, 7321 S South Shore Dr, Chicago 60649. 773-721-3979, www.home.earthlink.net/~maxine57.

Twin City Chess Club meets Tuesdays 7-10 pm, Lincoln Leisure Center, 1206 S Lee St, Bloomington 61701. Dennis Bourgerie, PO Box 157, Normal 61761. 309-454-3842, schoolstreeter@msn.com.

West Middle School Chess Club, 1900 N Rocktoon Av, Rockford 61103. Ralph Sullons, 815-966-3220.

Wicker Park Chess Club meets Wednesdays 7 pm to 1 am, Myopic Books, 1468 N Milwaukee Av, Chicago. Pat Jones, 773-772-1369, pjones@artic.edu.

Woodfield Country Chess Club, Carl Troyer, 723 N Main, Eureka 62530. 309-467-6055.

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1.d4 c5 2.c3 Nf6 3.e3 e6 4.f4 Nc6 5.Nf3 d5 6.Be2 cxd4 7.cxd4 Ne4 8.Nc3 Nxc3 9.bxc3 Qa5 10.Bd2 Qd8 11.0-0 Bd6 12.c4 dxc4 13.Bxc4 Nb4 14.Qb3 a5 15.f5 Qf6 16.fxg6 fxg6 17.Bxb4 Bxb4 18.Ne5 Qh4 19.Bxe6 Bxe6 20.Qxe6+ Qe7 21.Qb6 Bd2 22.Qb5+ Kd8 23.Nf7+ Kc8 24.Nxh8 Bxe3+ 25.Kh1 Bxd4 26.Rac1+ Kb8 27.Rce1 Qc5 28.Ra8+ Ka7 29.Rxa8+ Kxa8 30.Qxc5 Bxc5 31.Nf7 a4 32.Ng5 Be3 33.Nxh7 Ka7 34.Nf8 g5 35.Rf3 Bd2 36.Nh7 Kb6 37.Rg3 Bf4 38.Rg4 Kc5 39.Nxg5 Be3 40.Nf3 b5 41.h4 Kd5 42.h5 a3 43.Ng5 b4 44.h6 b3 45.axb3 a2 46.Ra4 Bxg5 47.h7 Bf6 48.Rxa2 Kd4 49.Ra8 Kc3 50.h8Q Bxh8 51.Rxh8 Kxb3 52.Ra8 Kc3 53.g3 Kd4 54.g4 Kd5 55.g5 Kd6 56.g6 Kd7 57.Re1 Kd6 58.g7 Kc5 59.g8Q Kb4 1-0

Time to renew the ICA?

The mailing label on the back cover of your Illinois Chess Bulletin shows the expiration date of your ICA membership. You may renew, or join for the first time, by filling out the form below (photocopy OK). Make check payable to Illinois Chess Association and mail to ICA Membership, Bill Smythe, 7042 N Greenview Av #1-S, Chicago IL 60626-2833.

Name _____
 USCF ID _____
 Address _____
 City-State-Zip _____
 Phone _____
 Email _____

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Tournament & Events Calendar

All tournaments are USCF-rated, unless otherwise noted (Quick-rated if game/29 or faster) and require USCF membership. ICA Tour events also require ICA membership. Memberships may be purchased at most tournaments. Scholastic events are marked (Scho). Most tournaments prohibit smoking in the playing rooms.

ICA Tour events are generally listed as such in Chess Life and in the Calendar below. Players are responsible for checking both Chess Life and the Illinois Chess Bulletin to determine which events are Tour events. Call ChessPhone (630-832-5222) a few days before any tournament to verify its Tour status, or check the web at www.illinoischess.org.

Organizers: Please clear your events through the ICA Tournament Calendar. **Calendar coordinator is Bill Smythe**, 7042 N Greenview Av #1-S, Chicago 60626-2833, 773-761-2455, chichess@ren.com. **Do not send calendar entries to the ICB editor.** If you are running a Tour event, make sure it is listed as such in both Chess Life and the ICB. Deadlines for ICB calendar submissions are as follows:

Event starting date:	Deadline:	To appear in:
Jan 15 - Mar 14	Nov 5	Jan-Feb issue
Mar 15 - May 14	Jan 5	Mar-Apr issue
May 15 - Jul 14	Mar 5	May-Jun issue
Jul 15 - Sep 14	May 5	Jul-Aug issue
Sep 15 - Nov 14	Jul 5	Sep-Oct issue
Nov 15 - Jan 14	Sep 5	Nov-Dec issue

March 15, 2003, Tuley Park Quick #4 (Not Big). 5-SS, game/20, d/3 (game/22 if d/0). 501 E 90th Pl, Chicago 60619. EF \$13, u19 \$7, \$1 off before 11:30. \$\$G 285: \$60-40-30, u1900 \$35, u1700 \$30, u1500 \$25, u1300 \$20, u1100 \$15, u900 \$15, unr \$15. Reg 11-11:50, rd 1 at 12. Tom Fineberg, 7321 S South Shore Dr #6-D, Chicago 60649. 773-721-3979, www.home.earthlink.net/~maxine57.

March 15, 2003, St Patrick's Day Quick Open. Game/10, Jerome United Methodist Church, 1570 Reed Av (north of Wabash/Chatham intersection), Springfield. David Long, 2021-1/2 S Fourth St, Springfield IL 62703. 217-522-0489.

March 16, 2003, Elmhurst Game/30. 3-SS. Room 18, Hammerschmidt Chapel, Elmhurst College, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst 60126. EF \$15, ECC members \$10. \$\$ to 1st, 2nd, u1800, u1600, u1400, 85% of EFs returned. Reg 6:30-6:55, rd 1 at 7. Roger Birkeland, 630-832-1754, rogerdb9@earthlink.net, ElmhurstChess@aol.com.

(Scho) **March 20-23, 2003, National High School.** Columbus OH. www.uschess.org.

March 22-23, 2003, Elmhurst Class Maxi-Tour. 4-SS, game/120. Frick Center, Elmhurst College, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst 60126. EF \$49 (jrs \$44, ECC members \$44) by 3/17, all \$60 at site. Add \$10 to play up one class. \$\$3000 b/84. Five sections: **MASTER-EXPERT:** \$300-240, u2200 \$200. **CLASS A:** \$240-180-120. **CLASS B:** \$240-180-120. **CLASS C:** \$240-180-120. **CLASSES D/BELOW:** \$240-180-120, u1000 \$100. **ALL:** Unrated may play in any class but may not win more than \$100 except in MX. Reg Sat 11:45-12:30, rds 1-5:30 each day. Blair Machaj, 3 N 050 Springvale, West Chicago 60185. 630-231-6245.

ElmhurstChess@aol.com. An ICA Tour **MAXI-event**. ICA membership required.

March 23, 2003, Quincy Chess Club March

Sectional. 3-SS, game/60. Quincy Senior High School, 33rd & Maine, Quincy 62301. 8-player sections by rating. EF \$10. \$\$60 b/8 each section: \$40-20. Reg 12-1, rds 1:30-3:45-6. Gary L Blickhan, 3126 N College Av, Quincy 62301. 217-223-8762, gblickh@adams.net.

March 29, 2003, Lakeview-Cuyler Plus-Score.

4-SS, game/60. Lakeview Cuyler Chess Club, 3901 N Marshfield (1634 west), Chicago 60613. EF \$20. Prizes by score: 4-0 \$100, 3.5 \$50, 3-1 \$25, 2.5 \$10. Reg ends 11:30 am, rd 1 at 12. Drew Morissee, 312-494-1300 x12, drew@metrochess.com. Directions 773-525-2803 (morning of 3/29 only).

(Scho) March 29-30, 2003, Illinois State

Scholastic. Interstate Center, 2301 W Market St, Bloomington 61704. EF \$20. Three sections:

Primary (K-3): 7-SS, game/45. Rds 10:15-12:30-2:30-4:30, 9-11-1. **Elementary (4-5):** 7-SS, game/55. Rds 10:15-12:30-2:45-5:00, 9-11:15-1:30. **Junior High (6-8):** 7-SS, game/60. Rds 10:15-12:45-3:15-5:30, 9-11:30-2. **ALL:**

Trophies to top 15 teams, 20 individuals, 10 per grade. Checks payable Tri-Valley Chess Club, c/o Doug Hillary, 115 N Gadwall Ln, Downs 61736. 309-378-2697. <http://tri-valley.k12.il.us/es/activities/chessclub/State.htm>.

March 30, 2003, Elmhurst Game/15. 5-SS.

Room 18, Hammerschmidt Chapel, Elmhurst College, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst 60126. EF \$15, ECC members \$10. \$\$ to 1st, 2nd, u1800, u1600, u1400, 85% of EFs returned. Reg 6:30-6:55 pm, rd 1 at 7. Roger Birkeland, 630-832-

1754, rogerdb9@earthlink.net, ElmhurstChess@aol.com.

April 6,13,27, May 4, 2003, Elmhurst CC

Championship. 4-SS, game/120. Room 18, Hammerschmidt Chapel, Elmhurst College, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst 60126. EF \$20. \$\$ to 1st (\$100G), 2nd, A,B,C,D/below, 90% of EFs returned. Reg 6:30-6:55 April 6,13,27, rds at 7 each Sunday. (No meeting or tournament 4/20.) Roger Birkeland, 630-832-1754, rogerdb9@earthlink.net, ElmhurstChess@aol.com.

April 12, 2003, Tuley Park Quick #5 (Big). 5-SS, game/20, d/3 (game/22 if d/0). 501 E 90th Pl, Chicago 60619. EF \$15, u19 \$8, \$1 off before 11:30. \$\$350 b/24, kids count half (\$210 min guaranteed): \$100-60-30, 2nd quarter \$40-30, 3rd quarter \$30-20, lowest quarter \$25-15. Reg 11-11:50, rd 1 at 12. Tom Fineberg, 7321 S South Shore Dr #6-D, Chicago 60649. 773-721-3979, www.home.earthlink.net/~maxine57.

April 12, 2003, Springfield April Showers

Open. 4-SS, game/80. Signature Inn, Dirksen Pkwy & Stevenson Dr (just west of I-55 Stevenson exit), Springfield. EF \$17 by 4/05, \$20 at site. \$\$ 300 b/40: \$100-55, 1600-1999 \$50, 1200-1599 \$40, u1200 \$30, unr \$25. Reg 7:30-8:30 am, rds 9-12-3-6. Thomas Knoedler, 2104 S Fourth St, Springfield 62703. 217-206-6056 day, 217-523-7265 nite, knoedler.thomas@uis.edu.

Calendar

Apr. 26-27 GPP: 6 Illinois 2nd Annual Ranko Loncarevic Memorial Maxi-Tour. 5SS, G/90. Leaning Tower YMCA, Skyline Room, 6300 W. Touhy, Chicago, IL. >\$52,000 b/75. 3 sections: Open: \$300-200-100, U2200 \$160, U2000 \$140. U1800: \$260-180. U1600 \$150. U1400: \$200-130, U1200 \$100, U1000 \$80. EF: \$45/\$40 CCC membs. if postmarked by 4/20, All \$50 at site. Add \$10 to play up 1 sect. 1/2 pt. bye any rd. w/reg. Reg: 10-11am. Rds: 11-2:15-5:30, 11-2:15. An ICA Tour Maxi-Event. ICA memb. req'd, \$18, Jrs. \$10. Free drinks & snacks all weekend! Ent/Info: Cks. Payable to Chicagoland Community Chess Club, 6612 W. Irving Park Rd., Chicago, IL 60634. Robert Loncarevic 773-510-2162. April 19-20, 2003, Chicagoland Maxi-Tour

April 20, 2003, No Elmhurst club meeting or tournament.

(Scho) **April 24-27, 2003, National Junior High.** Kissimmee FL. www.uschess.org.

April 26, 2003, Peoria Spring Tornado. 4-SS, game/80. Lakeview Museum, 1125 W Lake Av, Peoria 61614. EF \$14 by 4/24, \$17 at site, free to players rated 2200+. 75% of EFs returned as prizes: 25%-15%; u2000, u1600, u1200 each 10%; upset 5%. Reg 8-8:45, rds 9-12-2:45-5:30. Fred Malcome, 810 W Progress, Metamora 61548. 309-367-4833, fmalcome@bwsys.net.

An ICA Tour and Ex-Urban Tour mini-event. ICA membership required.

May 3, 2003, Rockford Spring Open. 4-SS, game/60. Sweden House, 4605 E State St, Rockford 61108. Hotel rooms \$55, bus service

from O'Hare. EF \$25 by 4/26, \$40 at site. \$750 b/40 (1st-2nd guaranteed): \$175-125, u1800 \$100, u1600 \$100, u1400 \$100, u1200 \$100, unr \$50. Reg 7:30-8:30 am, rds 9-11:15-2-4:15. Checks payable Rockford Chess Assn. Gary Noel Sargent, 2764 Panorama Dr, Rockford 61109. 815-397-9186. www.rockfordchess.org.
An ICA Tour and Ex-Urban Tour mini-event. ICA membership required.

(Scho) **May 8-11, 2003, National Elementary.** Nashville TN. www.uschess.org.

May 10, 2003, Tuley Park Quick #6 (Not Big). 5-SS, game/20, d/3 (game/22 if d/0). 501 E 90th Pl, Chicago 60619. EF \$13, u19 \$7, \$1 off before 11:30. \$\$G 285. \$60-40-30, u1900 \$35, u1700 \$30, u1500 \$25, u1300 \$20, u1100 \$15, u900 \$15, unr \$15. Reg 11-11:50, rd 1 at 12. Tom Fineberg, 7321 S South Shore Dr #6-D, Chicago 60649. 773-721-3979, www.home.earthlink.net/~maxine57.

May 10-11, 2003, William Sandbothe Memorial. 5-SS, 30/70, then SD/60. Sicily Sax Hall, Four Points by Sheraton Hotel, 3rd Av & 17th St, Rock Island IL 61201. EF \$35 by 5/7, \$45 at site, juniors/seniors \$30 anytime, GMs/IMs free (EF deducted from winnings). \$\$G: 1st \$450 + trophy, 2nd \$225 + trophy, u2000 \$140-70, u1600 \$140-70, u1200 \$140-70, u1000/unr \$50, upset \$50. Unr eligible for 1st-2nd and u1000/unr prizes only. Reg Sat 7:30-9 am, rds 9:30-2:30-7:30, Sun 10-3. Checks payable Illowa Chess Club. Matt Nemmers, 32A Gillespie Circle, Rock Island IL 61201. 309-786-2520, qcchess@mchsi.com.

www.quadcitychess.com/sandbothe_memorial.html. Iowa State Chess Assn membership required, other state memberships accepted for non-Iowa residents.

May 11, 2003, Elmhurst Game/5 Blitz. Not USCF-rated. RR in 1 or 2 sections depending on entries. Room 18, Hammerschmidt Chapel, Elmhurst College, 190 Prospect, Elmhurst 60126. EF: \$15, ECC members \$10. 90% of EFs returned as prizes. Reg 6:30-6:55 pm, rd 1 at 7. Roger Birkeland, 630-832-1754, rogerdb9@earthlink.net, ElmhurstChess@aol.com.

May 17, 2003, Lakeview-Cuyler Sectional. 3-SS, game/60, in sections of 6-10 like-rated players. Lakeview Cuyler Chess Club, 3901 N Marshfield (1634 west), Chicago 60613. EF \$20. Prizes by score: Top section 3-0 \$80, 2.5 \$40, 2-1 \$15. Other sections 3-0 \$70, 2.5 \$30, 2-1 \$10. Reg ends 11:30 am, rd 1 at 12. Drew Morissee, drew@metrochess.com.

May 17, 2003, Normal May Open. 4-SS, game/80. Fairfield Inn, 202 Landmark Dr, Normal 61761, phone at site 309-454-6600. EF \$17, free to players rated 2020+. \$\$380 b/30: \$\$140, u2000 \$80, u1600 \$80, u1200 \$80. Reg 8-8:45, rds 9-12-3-6. Dennis Bourgerie, Box 157, Normal 61761. 309-454-3842, Schoolstreeter@msn.com.

May 23-26 or 24-26 or 25-26, 2003, 12th Annual Chicago Open. 7-SS, 40/120, then SD/60 (3-day option rds 1-2 game/75, 2-day option rds 1-4 game/45). Hyatt Regency Oakbrook, 1909 Spring

Rd, Oakbrook 60523, 800-233-1234 or 630-573-1234, hotel rooms \$83-83-83-83, reserve by 5/4. Mailed EF by 3/14: 4-day \$199, 3-day \$198, 2-day \$197. Mailed EF by 5/13: 4-day \$219, 3-day \$218, 2-day \$217. Online EF (www.chesstour.com or entry.cc): \$195 by 3/14, \$215 by 5/20, \$250 after 5/20 until 2 hours before round 1. Phone EF (845-496-9658): \$205 by 3/14, \$225 by 5/20, no phone entry after 5/20. All EFs \$250 at site, no checks at site. Special EFs: \$30 less to rated juniors under 18 or rated seniors over 65. Re-entry (except Open section) \$100. Unrated section EF 4-day \$49, 3-day \$48, 2-day \$47 mailed by 5/14, all \$45 online by 5/20, \$50 by phone by 5/20, \$60 at site. \$\$G 100,000. Eight sections: **OPEN:** \$10000-5000-2500-1200-800-600-500-500-400-400, clear winner bonus \$300, u2400/unr \$2000-1000-700-500. **UNDER-2200:** \$6000-3000-1500-800-600-500-400-400-300-300. **UNDER-2000:** \$6000-3000-1500-800-600-500-400-400-300-300. **UNDER-1800:** \$6000-3000-1500-800-600-500-400-400-300-300. **UNDER-1600:** \$5000-2500-1500-800-600-500-400-400-300-300. **UNDER-1400:** \$4000-2000-1000-800-600-500-400-400-300-300. **UNDER-1200:** \$2000-1000-700-500-400-400-300-300-300-300, u1000 \$800-400. Limit \$500 if rated over 1399 anytime since 12/98. **UNRATED:** \$1000-600-300-200-100, limit \$500 if no U.S. social security ID. **ALL:** See Chess Life for restrictions on provisional players, and on players with only foreign or FIDE ratings. 4-day reg ends Fri 7 pm, rds 8, 12-7, 12-7, 10-4:30. 3-day reg ends Sat 11 am, rds 12-3-7, 12-7, 10-4:30, merge after 2 rds. 2-day reg ends Sun 9 am, rds 10-12-2-4-7, 10-4:30, merge after 4 rds. Continental Chess, PO Box 249, Salisbury Mills NY 12577.

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www.chesstour.com. **An ICA Tour MAXI-event.**
ICA membership required.

May 31, 2003, Tuley Park Quick #7 (Tiny). 5-SS, game/20, d/3 (game/22 if d/0). 501 E 90th Pl, Chicago 60619. EF \$10, u19 \$5, \$1 off before 11:30. \$\$G 210: \$40-30-25, u1800 \$25, u1550 \$25, u1300 \$20, u1050 \$15, u800 \$15, unr \$15. Reg 11-11:50, rd 1 at 12. Tom Fineberg, 7321 S South Shore Dr #6-D, Chicago 60649. 773-721-3979, www.home.earthlink.net/~maxine57.

June 7, 2003, Springfield Summer Open. 4-SS, game/80. Signature Inn, Dirksen Pkwy & Stevenson Dr (just west of I-55 Stevenson exit), Springfield. EF \$17 by 5/30, \$20 at site. \$\$ 300 b/40: \$100-55, 1600-1999 \$50, 1200-1599 \$40, u1200 \$30, unr \$25. Reg 7:30-8:30 am, rds 9-12-3-6. Thomas Knoedler, 2104 S Fourth St, Springfield 62703. 217-206-6056 day, 217-523-7265 nite, knoedler.thomas@uis.edu.

June 13-15, 2003, National Open. Las Vegas NV. **A USCF National Event.**

June 21, 2003, Illini Summer Open. 4-SS, game/80. Holiday Inn, 1001 Killarney St (US 74, Lincoln Av exit), Urbana 61801. EF \$17 by 6/13, \$20 at site. Add \$8 to advance entries for optional catered box lunch. \$\$450 b/50 total, 7 per class: \$150-90, u2000 \$57, u1800 \$54, u1600 \$51, u1400 \$48. Reg 8-8:45 am for 9 am start, 8-9:45 am for 10 am start with game/50 in rd 1. Rds 9 (or 10) -12-3-6. Christopher Merli, 1806 Jean Lee Ct, Urbana 61802. 217-384-5530, cmmerli@insightbb.com,
www.uiuc.edu/ro/uichess/. **An ICA Tour and Ex-**

Urban Tour mini-event. ICA membership required.

June 21, 2003, Tuley Park Quick #8 (Medium). 5-SS, game/20, d/3 (game/22 if d/0). 501 E 90th Pl, Chicago 60619. EF \$14, u19 \$7, \$1 off before 11:30. \$\$G 300: \$70-45-30, u1900 \$35, u1700 \$30, u1500 \$25, u1300 \$20, u1100 \$15, u900 \$15, unr \$15. Reg 11-11:50, rd 1 at 12. Tom Fineberg, 7321 S South Shore Dr #6-D, Chicago 60649. 773-721-3979,
www.home.earthlink.net/~maxine57.

July 2-6 or 4-6 or June 30 - July 6 or June 28 - July 6, 2003, 31st Annual World Open. Philadelphia PA. Eight sections. Online entry www.chesstour.com. Phone entry 845-496-9658 by 6/25. Continental Chess, PO Box 249, Salisbury Mills NY 12577.

July 12, 2003, Bastille Day Quick Open. Game/10 or game/15, format and site to be determined, Springfield. Thomas Knoedler, 2104 S Fourth St, Springfield 62703. 217-206-6056 day, 217-523-7265 nite, knoedler.thomas@uis.edu.

July 19, 2003, Tuley Park Quick #9 (Bigger). Chicago.

(Scho) **July 28 - August 1, 2003, 3rd Annual USA Chess Chicago-Area Summer Camp.** Not USCF-rated. Science & Arts Academy (www.thegiftedschool.org), 1825 Miner St, Des Plaines 60016. For boys and girls ages 5-16. Morning (\$209), Afternoon (\$209), and All-Day (\$349) sessions by 6/28, all \$20 more by 7/21, no

walk-ins at site. 214-495-8445 or 888-65-
CHESS. ChicagoCamp@ChessCamp.com,
www.usachess.com.

August 3-15, 2003, U.S. Open. Los Angeles
CA. A USCF National Event.

August 9-10, 2003, Chicagoland Maxi-Tour
(tentative). Niles. Robert Loncarevic, 773-282-
5148. An ICA Tour MAXI-event. ICA
membership required.

August 16, 2003, Tuley Park Quick #10
(Medium). Chicago.

August 23, 2003, Springfield Chess Club
Championship Open. Springfield.

August 30 - September 1, 2003 (note corrected
dates), Illinois Open. An ICA Tour MAXI-
event. ICA membership required.

September 6, 2003, Champaign-Urbana Open.
4-SS. Holiday Inn, 1001 Killarney St, Urbana
61801. Chris Merli, cimerli@insightbb.com.

September 13, 2003, Tuley Park Quick #11
(Tiny). Chicago.

September 20, 2003, Autumnal Equinox Quick
Open. Springfield. Thomas Knoedler, 2104 S
Fourth St, Springfield 62703. 217-206-6056 day,
217-523-7265 nite, knoedler.thomas@uis.edu.

September 27-28, 2003, The Forest City
Championships. 6-SS, game/75. Sweden
House, 4605 E State St, Rockford 61108. Hotel

rooms \$57, bus service from O'Hare. EF \$50 (jrs
\$40) by 9/27, both \$70 at site. GMs/IMs free.
\$\$4800 b/128 adults: \$1000-800, u2000 \$650,
u1800 \$650, u1600 \$550, u1400 \$550, u1200
\$300, u1000 \$150, unr \$150. Reg 8:30-9:30 am,
rds 10-1-3:30 each day. Please check in; arrivals
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Checks payable Rockford Chess Assn. Gary
Noel Sargent, 2764 Panorama Dr, Rockford
61109. 815-397-9186. www.rockfordchess.org.
An ICA Tour and Ex-Urban Tour MAXI-event.
ICA membership required.

October 4, 2003, Normal October Mini-Tour. 4-
SS, game/80. Fairfield Inn, 202 Landmark Dr,
Normal 61761, phone at site 309-454-6600. EF
\$17, free to players rated 2020+. \$\$405 b/30:
\$\$150, u2000 \$85, u1600 \$85, u1200 \$85. Reg
8-8:45, rds 9-12-3-6. Dennis Bourgerie, Box 157,
Normal 61761. 309-454-3842,
Schoolstraeter@msn.com. An ICA Tour and Ex-
Urban Tour mini-event. ICA membership
required.

October 4, 2003, Tuley Park Quick #12
(Medium). Chicago.

October 10-12 or 11-12, 2003, 12th Annual
Midwest Class. Oak Brook. Continental Chess,
PO Box 249, Salisbury Mills NY 12577.
www.chesstour.com. An ICA Tour MAXI-event.
ICA membership required.

October 11, 2003, David Braunfeld's Birthday
Open. Springfield.

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Under 1800 Section: \$260-180 U1600-\$150

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