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From the Editor

Happy New Year everyone! I hope that everybody had a safe holiday season. It seems that chess event opportunities keep getting better and better for Colorado chess players. 2013 was a good year to find a tournament somewhere and it looks as though 2014 is going to be even more exciting for us.

Those who have the inclination to do so have taken up the reins and are creating more tournaments then ever before. Bravo to all who have done so!

Maybe with all these opportunities will come more out of state players as well as more Grandmasters. In 2012 GM Alex Yermolinsky paid a visit to the *Colorado Open*. And in the past two years of the *Bobby Fischer Memorial*, GM Tejas Bakre has travelled to our beautiful state to play. Then in November of last year, GM Timur Gareev stopped by the Denver area to take a tour and play some locals in blindfold chess amongst other chess related activities. (You can read about his blindfold exhibition here: http://tinyurl.com/kuw9vz8.)

2013 was a good year for chess in Colorado and 2014 looks to be an even better one for those of us who play the royal game!

May Caissa be with you.

Fred Eric Spell



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The President Speaks

At the end of 2013, I'm happy to see the great attendance we've had at our recent tournaments. The Denver Open in particular had over 100 participants. We've also seen some great new tournaments organized and run. The creativity of our membership for running some truly unique tournaments is wonderful. Downtown Denver had a 4-round event at the 16th Street Mall Corner Bakery, which was a different environment for a weekend tournament but still an enjoyable way to play chess at a central location. Shirley Herman also ran the first Colorado twenty -four hour marathon tournament in a decade at her place, drawing 25 participants.

We've also had one big name player visit our state a couple of times - Grandmaster Timur Gareev played a group of 15 local players in a blindfolded simultaneous exhibition on November 2nd. I watched the first hour or two of this, and it was amazing to see GM Gareev sitting in the corner with a blindfold over his eyes naming his chosen move for each board as Chris Peterson and Paul Baxter went around moving the pieces accordingly. I know I'd be hard pressed to complete just one game of blindfolded chess, let alone 15. And his winning percentage was impressive as well with 13 wins and 2 draws (to Tim Brennan and Gunnar Anderson). He also visited some of the chess clubs (scholastic and adult) in the Northern and Central part of the state a few weeks later, a real treat for those clubs. And thanks to VP Brad Lundstrom's hard work, we had

both newspaper and TV exposure for this.

Coming up, we have some of our championship events – the Colorado Closed, the Scholastic Championships, and the return of the Class Championships that determine our choices for the Colorado/New Mexico team match in the summer. There are also many chess tournament choices coming up, including a blitz event at the Corner Bakery in January and the return of the Boulder Open in March. It's truly a great time to be a chess player in Colorado and I encourage everyone to take advantage of these bountiful opportunities.

As always, please feel free to approach me with any suggestions for how to make Colorado chess better.

Randy Reynolds



Blast From the Past

Attached is a game from the 1963 Colorado Open that was submitted by Mark Derby of South Dakota to Richard "Buck" Buchanan. Mark writes:

"Fifty years ago Dr. M.F. Anderson of Rapid City, South Dakota traveled to play in the 1963 Colorado Open. I took the game from the South Dakota Chess Association game archive. Dr. Anderson was the South Dakota state champion in 1939, 1940, 1946, 1947, 1952, and 1955-59."

(Comments are by Matt Furze in the SDCA Bulletin dated September 1, 1963).

Marvin Methven (1794) M.F. Anderson (1883)

Colorado Open CO / Round 3 July 5, 1963

1.e4 e5 2.Bc4 Nf6 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.Ng5 d5 5.exd5 b5 The imaginative Ulvestad Variation. MCO claims it is somewhat better for White.

6.Bb3 Or 6.Be2 Nd4 7.Nc3 Nxd5 8.Nf3 Nf4, with equal chances. For White 6.dxc6 bxc4 7.Qe2 h6 8.Ne4 Qd5 9.N1c3 is better.

6...Na5 6...Nd4 7.0–0, says MCO, may be White's simplest and strongest treatment. Black, however, wants to try something different.

7.d3 Nxb3 8.axb3 Nxd5? - Dr. M.F. Anderson. He now has some anxious moments for a few moves.

9.Qf3 f6 10.Nc3 Bb4 11.Nge4 0-0 12.0-0 c6 Just in time!



13.Nxd5 cxd5 14.Ng3 Be6 Black has equalized very well and has the bishop pair to his credit. His task now is to find a path to victory, if such exists.

Other moves leave White with both doubled, isolated pawns and an isolated pawn, in addition to the problems of defending

15.c3 Bc5 16.Rd1 Qc8 17.h3 d4 18.c4

in addition to the problems of defending them. 18.cxd4 Bxd4 19.Ra3 Qc2!! and White's position crumbles.

18...b4 19.Bd2 And now the value of Black's last move becomes apparent. White is saddled with a bad bishop.

19...a5 20.Re1 Rf7 21.Kh1 Rfa7 22.Reb1 a4 23.bxa4 Rxa4 24.Qd1 Qa6 Or ...Rxa1 25.Rxa1 Rxa1 26.Qxa1, which virtually draws. White's next move is forced.

25.Rxa4 Qxa4 26.b3 Qc6 27.Kg1 Ra2 28.Bc1 f5 29.Bb2 Be7 30.Qc1 Bh4 31.Ra1 White has been maneuvering to

31.Ra1 White has been maneuvering to trade rooks these last few moves; he finally gets the job done.

31...Ra8 32.Rxa8+ Qxa8 33.Qa1 Qxa1+ 34.Bxa1 Bg5 35.Bb2 g6 36.Ne2 f4 37.f3 Bf5 38.Nc1 Kg7 39.Kf2 Kh6 40.Ke2 Kh5 41.Na2 Be7 42.Bc1 Kg5 43.Bd2 Kf6

White gets a 2nd passed pawn, but Black's king can stop them, since his king can't leave the d-pawn. For instance, 44. Nxb4 Ke6 (Black must keep the two bishops as long as possible.) 45.Na6 Kd7 46.b4 Kc6 & with exacting play, the game is still a draw.

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Through the Looking Glass of Game Five of the World Chess Championship

by Grandmaster Tejas Bakre

It was worth a visit to the "Chess Planet" which was created during the World Championship at Chennai in November 2013. Fortunately I took time off from my work schedule and entered the spectacle for chess which I had never seen before. Right from setting foot at the airport to making my way through the city to reaching the venue, I could see chess posters surrounding the city! Print media, air media, TV media was flowing with the news of the king (Vishy Anand) and the Challenger (Magnus Carlsen) who had flown from a few shores away to snatch the kingdom! So let's look at his first major blow to the fort after which the kingdom collapsed and the king Anand had to surrender to the mighty youth Carlsen. Note: I have tried to explain moves in critical positions rather than analysis by the silicon monsters.





Vishy Anand & Magnus Carlsen before the start of the match. (Source: Reuters)

Magnus Carlsen (2870) Viswanathan Anand (2775) World Chess Championship / Chennai Game 5 / November 15, 2013

1.c4 Carlsen's chess had always been going into non-theoretical lines and just to play chess keeping the board alive. He doesn't deviate from this strategy even when fighting for the world crown. In fact the first few games were pretty lackluster where White was getting no advantage at all. A very rare scenario in World Championship matches.

1...e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 c6 4.e4 dxe4 5.Nxe4 Bb4+ 6.Nc3 6.Bd2 Qxd4 7.Bxb4 Qxe4+ 8.Be2 Na6. This is one of the main theoretical positions where White sacrifices a pawn for initiative. As Anand's opening preparation in sharp continuations is extremely precise, Carlsen chooses a safe variation which might not have been deeply analyzed by Carlsen's team.

6...c5 7.a3 Ba5 8.Nf3 Nf6 9.Be3 Nc6 10.Qd3!? A completely new idea by Carlsen in a very offbeat line. The idea is very simple. He wants to 0–0–0,exchange queens getting a 3 vs 2 queenside majority and play a long game!

10...cxd4 11.Nxd4 Ng4! Vishy comes up with a very strong idea of taking off the e3 bishop.

12.0–0–0 Nxe3 13.fxe3 Bc7?! This was a very passive decision by Anand which

helped Carlsen get exactly what he wanted! 13...Qe7 Keeping the queens on would have been a better decision. Vishy thought that he could hold on the slight worse endgame position. In general this decision of not going for activity was the major reason that cost Vishy the match without gaining a single win. Also Vishy's strong point has been his great sense of initiative and attack which probably he decided not to go for fearing that Carlsen was stronger in this territory than him.



14.Nxc6 Carlsen immediately latches on to the opportunity of playing a level endgame with miniscule advantage which is enough to keep the game on and putting pressure on Vishy.

14...bxc6 15.Qxd8+ Bxd8 16.Be2 Ke7

16...Bb6. Was an interesting choice but very difficult for humans to calculate and evaluate the position. 17.Bf3 Bxe3+ 18.Kc2 Bd7 19.Rhe1 Bb6 20.Ne4. Good initiative for the pawn and Carlsen being dangerous in such types of situations Vishy avoids it.

17.Bf3 Bd7 18.Ne4 Bb6 Vishy chooses a forced continuation after which reduces the material further but not the dangers!

19.c5 f5 20.cxb6 fxe4 21.b7! Ensuring that Black stays with four pawn islands.

21...Rab8 22.Bxe4 Rxb7 23.Rhf1 Rb5 24.Rf4! A very subtle move. Keeps your opponent guessing whether I wish to double on the f-file or d-file & whether I want to use the rook for attacking the kingside pawns or queenside pawns! A typical strong point of Carlsen. Keeping the opponent guessing and forcing him to work harder on the board.

24...g5 25.Rf3 h5 All of it seems great for Black. Advancing pawns in the endgame, gaining space. Carlsen sees them as a potential weakness in the future!! This is where Carlsen is ahead of his time and that is why he is almost 100 points ahead of the world's number 2!! The reason why Fischer dominated is also because he could foresee things which his opponents could not even dream of.

26.Rdf1 Be8 27.Bc2 Not leaving anything hanging. Such moves help in saving time as his opponent can't gain time attacking them in the future.

27...Rc5 28.Rf6 h4 29.e4! Going against the principle that one shouldn't have pawns as the same color as the bishop. Taking away the d5 square from the rook so that his king can be in the center in order to unpin his bishop.





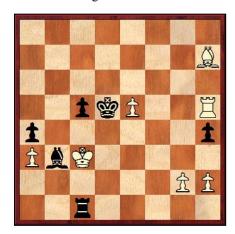
Game 5 under way.

29...a5 30.Kd2 Rb5 31.b3 Bh5 32.Kc3 Rc5+ 33.Kb2 Rd8 34.R1f2 Rd4 35.Rh6 Bd1 36.Bb1!! Amazing idea which Vishy would have missed when he went for counter play with 34...Rd4.

36...Rb5 37.Kc3 c5 38.Rb2! Amazing defense by Carlsen and now suddenly Black's kingside pawns are defenseless!!

38...e5 39.Rg6 a4?! Fatigue and uncertainty making the World Champion crack. 39...g4 Should have been the right way to hold on to the position.

40.Rxg5 Rxb3+ 41.Rxb3 Bxb3
42.Rxe5+ Kd6 43.Rh5 Rd1 44.e5+ Kd5
45.Bh7 Rc1+?? Vishy blunders missing a very important intermezzo check in his calculations. 45...Ra1 Might still have drawn according to the silicon beasts!



46.Kb2 Rg1 47.Bg8+ Kc6 48.Rh6+!! The intermezzo check he missed while playing 45...Rc1+.

48...Kd7 49.Bxb3 axb3 50.Kxb3 Rxg2 51.Rxh4 And now the a and h pawns roll and Black just can't stop both.

51...Ke6 52.a4 Kxe5 53.a5 Kd6 54.Rh7 Kd5 55.a6 c4+ 56.Kc3 Ra2 57.a7 Kc5 58.h4 1-0

This was the turning point of the match. The way Carlsen won the position out of absolutely nothing must have completely shaken the World Champion's confidence. It was impossible for him to come out of this and Carlsen just rolled over from then on.

A thoroughly deserved crown for Carlsen. The World Championship title was the only thing eluding him from being termed as a legend and now he surely becomes one.

(Editors Note: The Gentlemen's Chess Club would like to thank GM Bakre for his analysis of this game and also for participating in the Bobby Fischer Memorial the past two years.)





Games From the 2013 Tri-Lakes Open

by Fred Eric Spell

With a beautiful weekend for chess, 56 players arrived to do battle over the 64 squares in the 2013 edition of the Tri-Lakes Open. What follows are some of the games befitting the beauty of the location.

Congratulations go to the five players who tied for first place; Chris Peterson, Kevin Seidler, Ryan Swerdlin, LM Brian Wall and Jackson Chen, with Chris Peterson taking home the trophy based on tiebreaks - the Tri-Lakes Open stein.

I want to thank Joe Fromme, Jr. for helping out with setting-up and for being my Assistant TD. I greatly appreciated his hard work. Also, to all the players who showed up to play, thank you everyone and I hope to see you next year!

(I also wish to thank Shirley Herman for the pictures for this article.)

Round 1 Games

Joe Pahk (1655) LM Brian Wall (2258)

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Bb4+ 5.c3 Be7 6.Be3 Nf6 7.f3 0–0 8.Be2 d5 9.Nd2 Ne5 10.0–0 dxe4 11.fxe4 Nfg4 12.Bxg4 Bxg4 13.Qc2 Bg5 14.Bf4 Bxf4 15.Rxf4 Qg5 16.Raf1 Rad8 17.g3 Rd7 18.N2f3 Nxf3+ 19.Nxf3 Bxf3 20.R4xf3 c6 21.Rd1 Qc5+ 22.Kg2 Rxd1 23.Qxd1 Qc4 24.Qd4 Qxa2 25.Rf2 Qe6 26.Re2 a6 27.e5 Re8 28.Qb6 Re7 29.Qd8+ Re8 30.Qc7 Qe7 31.Qb6 h6 32.Qf2 Qe6 33.Qb6 Qd7 34.Qd4 Qe6 35.Qb6 Qd5+ 36.Kf2 Re7 37.Qb4 Qe6 38.c4 f6 39.Qd6 fxe5 40.Qb8+ Kh7 41.b3 Qf5+ 42.Kg2 e4 43.Qf4 Qxf4 44.gxf4 Kg6 45.Kf2 Kf5 46.Kg3 Rd7 47.Re3 c5 48.h3 b5 0-1

Chris Peterson (2157) Andy Wu (1722)

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Bd6 6.0–0 Nf6 7.d4 Qe7 8.Bg5 0–0 9.Nh4 exd4 10.Nf5 Qxe4 11.Bd3 Qg4 12.Bxf6 Qxd1 13.Rxd1 gxf6 14.cxd4 Bb4 15.a3 Ba5 16.d5 Ne5 17.d6 Re8 18.Be4 Nc4 19.f3 Bb6+ 20.Kh1 Nxd6 21.Nxd6 cxd6 22.Nc3 Bc5 23.Nb5 Rb8 24.Nxd6 Bxd6 25.Rxd6 Re6 26.Rad1 Kg7 27.Kg1 b5 28.Kf2 Rb6 29.R6d4 Re5 30.g4 Rc5 31.h4 Ra6 32.R1d3 Rc2+ 33.Kg3 Ra5 34.Rb3 Ra2 35.Rc3 Ba6 36.Rxd7 R5xa3 37.Rc2 Re3 38.Rxf7+ Kg8 39.Rg7+ Kf8 40.Rf7+ Ke8 41.Bc6+ Kd8 42.Rf8+ 1-0

Deanna Alter (1702) **Robert Cousins** (2153)

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bf4 d6 3.Nf3 Nbd7 4.e3 Nh5 5.Bg3 Nxg3 6.hxg3 g6 7.Bc4 c6 8.d5 Bg7 9.c3 Nf6 10.Ng5 b5 11.Bb3 c5 12.f3 Bd7 13.e4 a5 14.a4 c4 15.Bc2 Qb6 16.Qe2 b4 17.Nd2 bxc3 18.Nxc4 cxb2 19.Rb1 Qb4+ 20.Kf1 Nh5 21.Rxh5 gxh5 22.e5 Bxe5 23.Bxh7 Rxh7 24.Nxh7 Bf5 25.Nxe5 Bxb1 26.Nf6+ Kf8 27.Ned7+ Kg7 28.Nxh5+ Kh8 29.Qe3 Bd3+ 30.Kg1 Qe1+31.Qxe1 b1Q 32.Qxb1 Bxb1 33.f4 Bc2 34.Nb6 Ra6 35.Nc8 Bd1 36.Nxe7 Bxh5 37.f5 Kg7 38.Nc6 Bd1 39.Kh2 Bxa4 40.Nd4 Bd7 41.Nc2 Bxf5 42.Ne3 Bd3 43.Ng4 a4 44.Ne3 a3 45.Nf5+ Bxf5 46.g4 Bxg4 47.Kg3 a2 48.Kh4 a1Q 49.g3 Ra5 50.Kg5 Rxd5+ 51.Kh4 f5 52.Kg5 Qc1+53.Kh4 Qh6#0-1

Barry Rabinovich (1697) Carlos Santillan (2079)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Bd2 b6 5.Nf3 Bb7 6.e3 0–0 7.g3 Bxc3 8.Bxc3 Ne4 9.Bg2 Nxc3 10.bxc3 Qf6 11.0–0 d6 12.Qe2 Re8 13.Rfc1 c5 14.Nd2 Bxg2 15.Kxg2 Nc6 16.Ne4 Qe7 17.Rd1 Red8 18.Rac1 Rac8 19.Nd2 h6 20.Nb3 Qb7 21.Qf3 Qa6 22.Qe2 d5 23.dxc5 Ne5 24.Qh5 dxc4 25.Qxe5 cxb3 26.axb3 Qb7+ 27.Kg1 Rxd1+ 28.Rxd1 Rxc5 29.Qd4 Qf3 30.Ra1 Rd5 31.Qf4 Rd1+ 32.Rxd1 Qxd1+ 33.Kg2 Qxb3 34.Qb8+ Kh7 35.Qxa7 f6 36.Qc7 Qd5+ 37.Kg1 ½-½

Richard "Buck" Buchanan (2000) Dean Brown (1537)

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 g6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nc6 5.Nxc6 bxc6 6.c4 Bg7 7.Qc2 d6 8.Nc3 Nf6 9.Be2 0–0 10.0–0 Bg4 11.f3 Qb6+12.Kh1 Bd7 13.Bg5 h6 14.Bh4 Rab8 15.b3 g5 16.Bf2 Qb4 17.Rac1 a5 18.Rfd1 c5 19.Be1 Qb6 20.Qd3 Bc6 21.Bf2 Rfd8 22.Nd5 Bxd5 23.cxd5 Nd7 24.Qd2 Qb4 25.Be1 Be5 26.Rc4 Qxd2 27.Bxd2 Ra8 28.Ra4 Rdb8 29.Rc4 Nb6 30.Rc2 a4 31.h4 f6 32.Rb1 Nd7 33.g4 axb3 34.axb3 Ra3 35.hxg5 hxg5 36.b4 cxb4 37.Rxb4

Rxb4 38.Bxb4 Ra1+ 39.Kg2 Kf7 40.Rc7 Ra2 41.Kf2 Nf8 42.Rc8 Ng6 43.Ke1 Bg3+ 44.Kd1 Nf4 45.Bb5 Ng2 46.Be8+ Kg7 47.Rc7 Kf8 48.Bd7 Ne3+ 49.Kc1 Bf4 50.Kb1 Ra8 51.Kb2 Rb8 52.Kb3 Nf1 53.Rc8+ Rxc8 54.Bxc8 Nh2 55.Kc2 Nxf3 56.Kd1 Ne5 ½-½

Gerald Mena (1416) Justin Alter (1890)

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bd3 Nc6 7.Be3 e5 8.Nde2 Ng4 9.Nd5 Nxe3 10.fxe3 Ne7 11.c4 Nxd5 12.exd5 Qg5 13.Kf2 Bd7 14.Qc1 Rc8 15.Ng3 f5 16.h4 Qg6 17.e4 f4 18.Ne2 Be7 19.Qg1 0-0 20.b3 Qg4 21.Qh2 f3 22.Ng3 fxg2+ 23.Kxg2 Qf3+ 24.Kg1 Qe3+ 0-1

Kathy Schneider (908) Alexander Freeman (1708)

1.e4 d5 2.e5 Bf5 3.Bd3 Bxd3 4.cxd3 c5 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.0–0 e6 7.Nc3 Nge7 8.Nb5 Ng6 9.Re1 a6 10.Nd6+ Bxd6 11.exd6 Qxd6 12.a3 0–0 13.b3 Nce5 14.Nxe5 Nxe5 15.Qe2 Ng6 16.Bb2 d4 17.b4 cxb4 18.axb4 Qxb4 19.Ba3 Qb5 20.Bxf8 Rxf8 21.Rab1 Qd7 22.Qe4 b5 23.Rb4 e5 24.Qe2 a5 25.Rbb1 Qd5 26.Qe4 Qxe4 27.Rxe4 b4 28.Ree1 Rb8 29.Rec1 Kf8 30.Rc5 a4 31.Rc4 a3 32.Rcxb4 Ra8 33.Ra1 Nf4 34.Rb3 a2 35.g3 Ne6 36.Rb2 Ke7 37.Rbxa2 Re8 38.f4 exf4 39.gxf4 Nxf4 40.Ra7+ Kf6 41.R1a5 Ne6 42.Ra1 Kg6 43.Ra8 ½-½

Round 2 Games

LM Brian Wall (2258) Rhett Langseth (1928)

1.d4 d6 2.e4 Nf6 3.f3 c6 4.c4 Qb6 5.Nc3 e5 6.d5 Nbd7 7.Nh3 Be7 8.Nf2 0-0 9.Be2 Re8 10.0-0 Nf8 11.g3 cxd5 12.cxd5 Bd7 13.Kg2 Ng6 14.a4 Rec8 15.a5 Qd8 16.Be3 Qe8 17.Qb3 Rc7 18.Rfc1 Qb8 19.Rc2 Bd8 20.Qa3 Rc8 21.Nd3 b5 22.Rac1 a6 23.Na2 Rxc2 24.Rxc2 Ne8 25.Ndb4 Ne7 26.Nc6 Qb7 27.Nxd8 Rxd8 28.Nb4 Rc8 29.Rxc8 Bxc8 30.Qc3 Bd7 31.Bd3 Qc8 32.Bb6 Qb7 33.Qb3 Nc8 34.Be3 Ne7 35.f4 f6 36.f5 Qc8 37.g4 h6 38.Qc3 g5 39.h4 Qb7 40.Bf2 Qc8 41.Kf3 Kf7 42.Ke2 Qb7 43.Kd2 Qc8 44.Be2 Qb7 45.Qe3 Nc8 46.Qc3 Ne7 47.Kc2 Qc8 48.Kb3 Qb7 49.Bd3 Kg7 50.Be2 Kf7 51.h5 Kf8 52.Bb6 Kf7 53.Bd3 Kf8 54.Qc1 Kf7

55.Qf1 Nc8 56.Bd8 Ne7 57.Ka3 Qc8 58.Bb6 Qb7 59.Nxa6 Qxa6 60.Kb4 Nc8 61.Bxb5 Qb7 62.Bxd7 Qxd7 63.Qb5 Ke7 64.Qc6 Qxc6 65.dxc6 Nxb6 66.axb6 Kd8 67.Kc4 Ng7 68.b4 Nxh5 69.gxh5 Kc8 70.b5 Kb8 71.b7 Kc7 72.b6+ Kb8 73.Kb5 1-0

Justin Alter (1890) Chris Peterson (2157)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 c5 4.Nc3 d5 5.cxd5 cxd4 6.Qxd4 exd5 7.e3 Be7 8.Bb5+ Nc6 9.0-0 0-0 10.Qd1 Bg4 11.h3 Bh5 12.Be2 Bg6 13.a3 Re8 14.Bd3 Ne4 15.Ne2 Bf6 16.Ned4 Qb6 17.Bb1 Rad8 18.Bc2 a5 19.Rb1 Rc8 20.Nxc6 Rxc6 21.Ba4 Nxf2 22.Rxf2 Bxb1 23.Bxc6 bxc6 24.Nd4 c5 25.Nf3 d4 26.exd4 cxd4 27.Bg5 Bxg5 28.Nxg5 Bg6 29.Rd2 d3+ 30.Kh1 h6 31.Nf3 Qe3 32.Qg1 Qf4 33.Qd1 Re3 34.Qg1 Rxf3 0-1

Robert Cousins (2153) Ron Rossi (1886)

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.c4 e6 4.g3 Be7 5.Bg2 0-0 6.0-0 Nbd7 7.Qc2 c5 8.Rd1 Re8 9.Nc3 dxc4 10.Ne5 Qc7 11.Nxc4 cxd4 12.Nb5 Qc5 13.Nxd4 Nb6 14.b3 Nxc4 15.bxc4 Rb8 16.Rb1 a6 17.Nc6 Bd7 18.Nxb8 Rxb8 19.Rxb7 Rxb7 20.Bxb7 Ng4 21.e3 Bc6 22.Ba3 Qh5 23.f3 Nxe3 24.Bxe7 f5 25.Qe2 Nxd1 26.Bxc6 Qf7 27.Bc5 Nc3 28.Qd3 Qf6 29.Kg2 Nxa2 30.Qb3 Qe5 31.Qxa2 Qxc5 32.Qxa6 Qe3 33.Qc8+ Kf7 34.Qe8+ Kf6 35.Qf8+ Kg6 36.Qe7 Qe2+ 37.Kh3 Qf1+ 38.Kh4 Qxc4+ 39.g4 ½-½

Paul Covington (1854) Jackson Chen (2116)

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Bf4 c6 4.e3 Qb6 5.Qc1 Nh5 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Bf5 8.Be2 g5 9.Ne5 Nf6 10.Bg3 Ne4 11.0–0 Nd7 12.Bh5 Nxe5 13.Bxe5 Nf6 14.Be2 Bg7 15.c4 0–0 16.a3 Nd7 17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.cxd5 cxd5 19.Nc3 Rac8 20.Qd2 e6 21.Rac1 a6 22.b4 Qd6 ½-½

Jack Woehr (1888) Kevin Seidler (2002)

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Be2 f6 7.exf6 Nxf6 8.0–0 Bd6 9.dxc5 Bxc5 10.b4 Bd6 11.Be3 Qc7 12.b5 Na5 13.Nd4 Bd7 14.f4 0–0 15.f5 e5 16.Ne6 Bxe6 17.fxe6 Bc5 18.Qd2 Ne4 19.Qc1 Qb6 0-1



Mark Schlagenhauf (2015) Larry Wutt (1872)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e3 b6 5.Nge2 Nc6 6.a3 Bxc3+ 7.Nxc3 Bb7 8.Be2 0-0 9.0-0 d6 10.d5 Nb8 11.e4 e5 12.f4 exf4 13.Bxf4 Nbd7 14.Bg5 h6 15.Bh4 g5 16.Bg3 Qe7 17.Qc2 Ne5 18.h3 Kg7 19.Nb5 a6 20.Nd4 Bc8 21.Rf2 Nh7 22.Raf1 Bd7 23.Qc3 f6 24.Bd1 Qd8 25.Bb3 Rc8 26.Qc2 c5 27.dxc6 Nxc6 28.Nxc6 Rxc6 29.Qd3 Be6 30.Rd1 Rf7 31.e5 Qc8 32.exd6 Rd7 33.Bc2 Nf8 34.b3 b5 35.Qd4 Rf7 36.Be4 Rc5 37.cxb5 axb5 38.Rdf1 Nd7 39.Bb1 Rc1 40.Kh2 Rxf1 41.Rxf1 Nf8 42.a4 Bxb3 43.axb5 Qc4 44.Oxc4 Bxc4 45.Rf5 Rb7 46.Rc5 Bxb5 47.Be4 Rb6 48.Rc7+ Kh8 49.Rf7 Nd7 50.Bf5 Rb7 51.Be4 Rb6 52.Bf5 Rb7 53.Bxd7 Rxd7 54.Rxf6 Kh7 55.Be5 Bc6 56.g4 Ra7 57.Kg1 Ra2 58.Rf7+ Kg8 59.Rc7 1-0

Brian Rountree (1892) Joshua Jex (2014)

1.e4 Nc6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 Qxd5 4.Nf3 Bg4 5.Be2 0–0–0 6.Be3 e5 7.Nxe5 Bxe2 8.Qxe2 Nxe5 9.dxe5 Qxg2 10.Rf1 Qxh2 11.Bxa7 Ne7 12.Nc3 Nc6 13.Qg4+ Rd7 14.f4??? Qd2# 0-1

Avinaya Subedi (2000) Dean Clow (1829)

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Nf6

5.Qd3 g6 6.Nxf6+ exf6 7.Nf3 Bf5 8.Qb3 Qc7 9.Be2 Bd6 10.Bh6 Nd7 11.Bc4 Nb6 12.0–0 Nxc4 13.Qxc4 Be6 14.Qe2 Rg8 15.c4 0–0–0 16.Bd2 g5 17.g3 Qd7 18.Qd3 Bf5 19.Qc3 Be4 20.Rfe1 Qf5 21.Rxe4 Qxe4 22.Re1 Qf5 23.c5 Bc7 24.b4 Rge8 25.Rd1 Re2 26.Rf1 Qd5 27.Qd3 Qe4 28.Qxe4 Rxe4 29.Be3 h5 30.Nd2 Rexd4 31.Bxd4 Rxd4 32.Nb3 Rxb4 33.Re1 Be5 34.Kg2 Ra4 35.Re2 b6 36.Rc2 b5 37.Kf3 a5 38.Ke3 Ra3 39.Ke4 a4 40.Nd2 Rc3 41.Rxc3 Bxc3 42.Nb1 Bb4 43.Kd4 Kd7 44.f4 Ke6 45.a3 Ba5 46.Ke4 f5+ 47.Kd4 g4 48.Nc3 Bxc3+49.Kxc3 Kd5 0-1

Ryan Swerdlin (2034) Dragan Plakalovic (1768)

1.c4 c6 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.d4 d5 4.e3 a6 5.Nc3 Bf5 6.Qb3 b5 7.cxd5 cxd5 8.a4 Qa5 9.Bd2 b4 10.Na2 Nc6 11.Nxb4 Nxb4 12.Bxb4 Rb8 13.Bxa5 Rxb3 14.Bxa6 Rxb2 15.Ne5 Nd7 16.Bb5 f6 17.Nc6 e5 18.dxe5 Nxe5 19.Nxe5+ Rxb5 20.axb5 fxe5 21.Bc3 Bd7 22.b6 1-0

Tim Brennan (1945) Suhaas Narayanan (1738)

1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.c3 g6 4.Nf3 Bg7 5.Bc4 dxc3 6.Nxc3 a6 7.0–0 e6 8.Bf4 Ne7 9.Rc1 0–0 10.Qd2 b5 11.Bb3 Bb7 12.Bc2 Nbc6 13.Bh6 d5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Rfd1 Nf6 17.Qf4 Qe7 18.Ne4 Rad8 19.Re1 Nd4 20.Nfg5 Nxe4 21.Bxe4 Bxe4 22.Nxe4 Rd5 23.h3 Rfd8 24.Rc7 ½-½

Victor Huang (1871) DuWayne Langseth (1962)

1.d3 d5 2.Nf3 e6 3.g3 Nf6 4.Bg2 Be7 5.0–0 0–0 6.Nbd2 b6 7.e4 dxe4 8.dxe4 Bb7 9.Re1 Nxe4 10.Qe2 Nxd2 11.Bxd2 Bf6 12.c3 c5 13.g4 Qc7 14.g5 Be7 15.h4 Bd6 16.Qe3 Nc6 17.h5 Ne7 18.c4 Nf5 19.Qe2 Bxf3 20.Qxf3 Rad8 21.Bc3 Nd4 22.Qe4 Bh2+ 23.Kh1 Qf4 24.g6 hxg6 25.hxg6 Qxe4 26.Rxe4 f5 27.Rh4 Be5 28.Re1 Bf6 29.Rh3 Rfe8 30.f4 Kf8 31.b4 Ke7 32.Kg1 Nc2 33.Re2 Bxc3 34.Rxc3 Rd1+ 35.Kf2 Nxb4 36.a3 Na6 37.Bc6 Red8 38.Rce3 R8d6 39.Bf3 Nc7 40.Bh5 R1d2 41.Kf3 R6d3 42.Kf2 Rxe2+ 43.Kxe2 Rxe3+ 44.Kxe3 Kf6 45.Kd3 Ne8 0-1

Ken MacRae (1243) Sheena Zeng (1625)

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bf4 d5 3.Nf3 e6 4.e3 c5 5.c3 cxd4 6.exd4 Nc6 7.Nbd2 Bd6 8.Ne5 Qc7 9.Bb5 Bd7 10.Bxc6 Bxc6 11.h3 0–0 12.0–0 h6 13.Qf3 Rad8 14.Kh1 a6 15.Rg1 Bxe5 16.Bxe5 Qe7 17.Bxf6 Qxf6 18.Qxf6 gxf6 19.Kh2 Kh7 20.a4 Rfe8 21.a5 e5 22.Nb3 Bb5 23.Nc5 exd4 24.cxd4 Bc6 25.Rge1 Kg7 26.b4 Kg6 27.Nd3 Kg7 28.g3 Rxe1 29.Rxe1 Re8 30.Rxe8 Bxe8 31.f4 Kg6 32.Nc5 Bc6 33.Kg2 h5 34.g4 hxg4 35.hxg4 f5 36.g5 f6 37.gxf6 Kxf6 38.Kg3 Kg6 39.Kh4 Kh6 40.Nd3 Kg6 41.Ne1 Kh6 42.Nf3 Kg6 43.Ne5+ Kh6 44.Nf7+ Kg6 ½-½

Gene Lucas (1570) Jason Lee (1274)

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Nf3 Nbd7 5.e3 c6 6.cxd5 cxd5 7.Bd3 Bd6 8.0–0 0–0 9.Qc2 e5 10.dxe5 Nxe5 11.Nxe5 Bxe5 12.Rd1 Qc7 13.h3 a6 14.a4 Bd7 15.Bd2 Rac8 16.Qb3 Be6 17.Qc2 Rfd8 18.f4 Bxf4 19.exf4 d4 20.Rac1 dxc3 21.bxc3 Qb6+ 22.Kh1 Rc6 23.Rb1 Qa7 24.Re1 Bd5 25.Be3 Qa8 26.Bd4 Qb8 27.Be5 Qa7 28.a5 Ng4 29.hxg4 Rh6# 0-1

Round 3 Games

Joshua Jex (2014) LM Brian Wall (2258)

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Qxd5 3.Nf3 Bg4 4.Be2 Nc6 5.d4 0–0–0 6.Be3 Nf6 7.0–0 e6 8.c4 Qf5 9.Nc3 Bc5 10.Qa4 Bxf3 11.dxc5 Bxe2 12.Nxe2 Ng4 13.Ng3 Qe5 14.Qa3 Nxe3 15.fxe3 Rd2 16.Rf2 Rhd8 17.Rxd2 Rxd2 18.Rb1 a5 19.b4 Nxb4 20.Qxa5 Qxe3+ 21.Kh1 Nd3 22.Qa8+ Kd7 23.Qa4+ Ke7 24.Rf1 Nf2+ 25.Kg1 Nh3+ 0-1



Chris Peterson (2157) Ryan Swerdlin (2034)

1.Nf3 d5 2.c4 c6 3.g3 Nf6 4.Bg2 e6 5.0-0 Bd6 6.d4 Nbd7 7.Nc3 0-0 8.e4 Nxe4 9.Nxe4 dxe4 10.Ng5 Nf6 11.b3 e5 12.Bb2 Qe7 13.Nxe4 Nxe4 14.Bxe4 f5 15.dxe5 Bxe5 16.Bd5+ cxd5 17.Qxd5+ Qf7 18.Qxe5 Re8 19.Qf4 Re4 20.Qd6 Bd7 21.Rad1 Bc6 22.f3 Re2 23.Qd4 Rae8 24.Rf2 R2e3 25.Rd3 f4 26.Bc3 Qg6 27.Rxe3 fxe3 28.Re2 Bxf3 29.Rxe3 Rxe3 30.Qxe3 Bc6 31.Qe5 Qb1+ 32.Kf2 Qc2+ 33.Ke3 Qc1+ 34.Kd4 Qg1+ 35.Kd3 Qd1+ 36.Ke3 Qg1+ 37.Kd2 Qxh2+ 38.Kd3 Qh6 39.Qe7 Qg6+ 40.Kd2 h6 41.Be5 Qf7 42.Qc5 a6 43.Bd4 Qe6 44.Qe5 Qxe5 45.Bxe5 Kf7 46.Kd3 g6 47.Kd4 Ke6 48.Bg7 h5 49.Kc5 Kf5 50.b4 g5 51.b5 axb5 52.cxb5 Bf3 53.Bf8 h4 54.gxh4 gxh4 55.a4 h3 56.Bd6 Ke6 1/2-1/2

Kevin Seidler (2002) DuWayne Langseth (1962)

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Qxd5 3.Nc3 Qd6 4.Nf3 Nf6 5.d4 a6 6.Bg5 Bg4 7.h3 Bh5 8.g4 Bg6 9.Bd3 Nc6 10.Qe2 Bxd3 11.Qxd3 0-0-0 12.0-0-0 h6 13.Bh4 e6 14.Qe3 Be7 15.Bg3 Qb4 16.Rd3 Qa5 17.Kb1 Nb4 18.a3 Nxd3 19.Qxd3 Nd5 20.Ne4 Nf6 21.Nc3 Bd6 22.Be5 Bxe5 23.Nxe5 Rhf8 24.f4 Qb6 25.Rd1 Nd7 26.Nc4 Qc6 27.d5 exd5 28.Nxd5 Qe6 29.f5 Qe8 30.Qg3 1-0

Hongbiao Zeng (1922) Mark Schlagenhauf (2015)

1.d4 g6 2.c4 Bg7 3.Nf3 d6 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bh4 0-0 7.e4 c5 8.e5 dxe5

9.dxe5 Qxd1+ 10.Rxd1 Ng4 11.Bxe7 Re8 12.Bxc5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 Bxe5 14.Be3 Bg4 15.Be2 Bxe2 16.Kxe2 Nc6 17.Rhe1 Bxc3 18.bxc3 Ne5 19.Kf1 Ng4 20.h3 Nxe3+ 21.Rxe3 Rxe3 22.fxe3 Rc8 23.Rd4 Rc7 24.Ke2 h5 25.Kf3 Kg7 26.g4 hxg4+ 27.hxg4 Kf6 28.Ke4 Ke6 29.Kd3 b6 30.a4 Rc5 31.Re4+ ½-½

Dean Clow (1829) **Robert Cousins** (2153)

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bf4 d6 3.Nc3 c6 4.e4 Qa5 5.Bd3 e5 6.dxe5 dxe5 7.Bd2 Qc7 8.Nf3 Be7 9.0–0 0–0 10.h3 h6 11.Qe2 Nbd7 12.a4 Nc5 13.Bc4 Ne6 14.Rfd1 Nh5 15.Bxe6 Bxe6 16.Ng5 Nf4 17.Bxf4 hxg5 18.Bg3 Bc5 19.a5 Bb4 20.a6 b5 21.Na2 Bc5 22.b3 f6 23.Nc1 Rfd8 24.Nd3 Bd4 25.Rac1 Qc8 26.Nb4 c5 27.Nd5 Bxd5 28.exd5 b4 29.Qc4 Rd6 30.Rxd4 cxd4 31.Qxb4 Qxa6 32.Qe1 Rxd5 33.Qe4 Rdd8 34.h4 gxh4 35.Bxh4 Rac8 36.Re1 Qc6 37.Qg4 Qd7 38.Qe4 f5 39.Qe2 Re8 40.Rd1 Qc6 41.Rd2 Qe4 42.Qxe4 fxe4 43.Kf1 Kf7 44.Ke2 Ke6 45.Kd1 Rh8 0-1

Isaac Martinez (2000) Jackson Chen (2116)

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5.f4 c5 6.c3 Nc6 7.Ngf3 f6 8.Qc2 Be7 9.Bd3 f5 10.g4 fxg4 11.Bxh7 Nf8 12.Bg6+ Kd7 13.Ng1 cxd4 14.Ne2 dxc3 15.bxc3 Bh4+ 16.Kd1 b6 17.Ba3 Ba6 18.c4 Be7 19.Bd3 dxc4 20.Bxc4 Bxc4 21.Nxc4 Bxa3 22.Nxa3 Ke7+ 23.Ke1 Qd5 24.Kf2 Qf3+ 25.Kg1 Qe3+ 26.Kg2 Qf3+ 27.Kg1 Rc8 28.Qb2 Ng6 29.Rf1 Qe3+ 30.Rf2 Rhd8 31.Nc3 Nxf4 32.Nc2 Nh3+ 33.Kg2 Qxf2# 0-1

Suhaas Narayanan (1738) Carlos Santillan (2079)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 b6 4.e3 Bb7
5.Be2 d5 6.0–0 Bd6 7.Nc3 0–0 8.Re1
Nbd7 9.b3 Ne4 10.Nxe4 dxe4 11.Nd2 f5
12.Bf1 Qg5 13.g3 Rad8 14.Bg2 Nf6
15.Qe2 c5 16.Nf1 Qg6 17.Bb2 Qf7
18.Rad1 Nd7 19.Rd2 cxd4 20.Rxd4 Bc5
21.Rdd1 Bb4 22.Nd2 Qe7 23.Rf1 Bd6
24.Nb1 Nc5 25.Ba3 Nd3 26.Bxd6 Rxd6
27.Nc3 Rd7 28.Rd2 Qb4 29.Nb1 Rfd8
30.Rfd1 a5 31.h4 a4 32.bxa4 Qxa4
33.Kh2 Qxc4 34.Na3 Qa4 35.Nc2 Ba6
36.Qh5 g6 37.Qg5 Ne5 38.Qxd8+ Rxd8
39.Rxd8+ Kf7 40.R1d7+ Kf6 41.Nd4
Ng4+ 42.Kh3 Bc4 43.Bxe4 Nxf2+
44.Kg2 Nxe4 45.Rf8+ 1-0

Ron Rossi (1886) Tim Brennan (1945)

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.Nf3 Nxd5 4.d4 Bg4 5.Be2 e6 6.c4 Nb6 7.0-0 Be7 8.Nc3 0-0 9.b3 c5 10.Be3 N8d7 11.h3 Bh5 12.Ne5 Bxe2 13.Qxe2 Rc8 14.Rad1 Qe8 15.Qf3 Nxe5 16.dxe5 Qc6 17.Qxc6 Rxc6 18.Rd3 Rd8 19.Rfd1 Rxd3 20.Rxd3 Kf8 21.Kf1 Ke8 22.Ke2 Nd7 23.f4 f6 24.exf6 Nxf6 25.Kf3 b6 26.Ne4 Nxe4 27.Kxe4 Rd6 28.Rxd6 Bxd6 29.f5 Kf7 30.Bd2 exf5+ 31.Kxf5 Bg3 32.Bc3 Bc7 33.Be5 g6+ 34.Ke4 Bxe5 35.Kxe5 Ke7 36.Kd5 Kd7 37.h4 h6 38.g4 a6 39.a3 h5 40.gxh5 gxh5 41.Ke5 Kc6 42.Kf5 b5 43.a4 Kb6 44.Kg5 Ka5 45.Kxh5 bxa4 46.bxa4 Kxa4 47.Kg4 Kb4 48.h5 Kxc4 49.h6 Kd3 50.h7 c4 51.h8Q c3 52.Kf3 c2 53.Qh6 Kc3 54.Qc1 Kd3 55.Kf2 a5 56.Ke1 a4 57.Qd2+ Kc4 58.Qxc2+ Kb4 59.Qa2 a3 60.Kd2 Ka4 61.Kc3 1-0

Andy Wu (1722) Richard "Buck" Buchanan (2000)

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 d6 5.d4 b5 6.Bb3 Nxd4 7.Nxd4 exd4 8.c3 Bb7 9.0–0 dxc3 10.Nxc3 Nf6 11.Re1 Be7 12.Nd5 0–0 13.Bf4 Nxd5 14.exd5 Bf6 15.Bc2 g6 16.Rb1 Qd7 17.Bh6 Rfe8 18.Rxe8+ Rxe8 19.Qf3 Qe7 20.Bd3 Qe5 21.Bd2 Qxd5 22.Qxd5 Bxd5 23.b3 c5 24.Rc1 Re6 25.a4 Bxb3 26.axb5 axb5 27.Bxb5 Bd4 28.Kf1 Kg7 29.Bg5 f6 30.Bf4 g5 31.Bg3 f5 32.f3 f4 33.Be1 Re7 34.Bc3 Bxc3 35.Rxc3 Bf7 36.Kf2 Rb7 37.Be2 Kf6 38.Rc2 Ra7 39.Bd3 h6 40.h3 Ra2 41.Ke2 Rxc2+ 42.Bxc2 Ke5 43.Kd3 Bg6+ 44.Kc3 Bxc2 45.Kxc2 Kd4 46.Kd2 d5 0-1

Cory Kohler (1636) Brian Rountree (1892)

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 d6 4.Bc4 Be7 5.d3 Nf6 6.h3 Be6 7.Bxe6 fxe6 8.Bg5 Qd7 9.Bxf6 gxf6 10.Qd2 0-0-0 11.0-0-0 d5 12.exd5 exd5 13.a3 Rhg8 14.g3 d4 15.Nb1 b5 16.Qe2 b4 17.a4 Kb8 18.b3 Bd6 19.Nfd2 Ne7 20.Nc4 Nd5 21.Rdf1 Nc3 22.Qe1 Bf8 23.Kb2 Bd6 24.Nbd2 f5 25.Nxe5 Bxe5 26.Qxe5 Qd5 27.Qxd5 Nxd5 28.Re1 Rge8 29.Nc4 Kc8 30.Na5 Kd7 31.Nc4 Rxe1 32.Rxe1 Re8 33.Ne5+ Kd8 34.Nc6+ Kd7 35.Rxe8 Kxe8 36.Nxd4 f4 37.Kc1 fxg3 38.fxg3 c5 39.Ne6 Ne3 40.Nxc5 Nf1 41.g4 Ke7 42.Na6 Kf6 43.Nxb4 Kg5 44.Nd5 Kh4 45.Nf6 h6 46.Ng8 Kg5 47.Kb2 Nd2



Dragan Plakalovic and Daniel Herman analyzing their drawn game while Deanna Alter looks on.

48.Kc3 Nf3 49.b4 Ng1 50.h4+ Kxg4 51.Nxh6+ Kxh4 52.b5 Kg5 53.Nf7+ Kf6 54.Nd8 Ke5 55.Kc4 Kd6 56.Nc6 a6 57.Nb8 a5 58.Nc6 Ne2 59.Nxa5 Nf4 60.Nb7+ Ke6 61.Nc5+ Kd6 62.Ne4+ Ke5 63.Nc3 Kd6 64.a5 Ng6 65.a6 Ne5+ ... 1-0

Dragan Plakalovic (1768) **William Shand** (1553)

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 g6 3.g3 Bg7 4.Bg2 Nc6 5.0-0 e5 6.d3 Nge7 7.c3 d6 8.Be3 Qb6 9.Qc2 0-0 10.Nbd2 a6 11.Rad1 Be6 12.Ng5 Bg4 13.f3 Bd7 14.f4 Bg4 15.Rde1 h6 16.Ngf3 Qc7 17.Rf2 exf4 18.Bxf4 g5 19.Be3 Ne5 20.Nxe5 dxe5 21.Ref1 Rad8 22.Nb3 b6 23.Rd2 Nc6 24.d4 exd4 25.cxd4 Nb4 26.Qc4 Nxa2 27.dxc5 bxc5 28.Qxc5 Qxc5 29.Bxc5 Rxd2 30.Nxd2 Rc8 31.Ba3 Bd4+ 32.Kh1 Rc2 33.Nf3 Bxb2 34.Bxb2 Rxb2 35.Ne5 Be6 36.Nd3 Rc2 37.Ra1 Bc4 38.Ne5 Bb5 39.h4 Rc1+ 40.Rxc1 Nxc1 41.hxg5 hxg5 42.Nf3 f6 43.e5 g4 44.Nh4 fxe5 45.Ng6 Nd3 46.Bf1 e4 47.Kg1 Kf7 48.Nh4 a5 49.Ng2 Kf6 50.Ne3 Kg5 51.Be2 a4 52.Bxg4 a3 53.Be6 Nb4 54.Kf2 a2 55.Bxa2 Nxa2 56.Nd5 Bc4 57.Ne3 Bd3 58.Nd5 Kf5 59.Ke3 Ke5 60.Nf4 Nb4 61.Ng6+ Kd6 62.Nh4 Nc2+ 63.Kd2 Nd4 64.Ng2 Nf3+ 65.Ke3 Ke5 66.Nf4 Bc2 67.Ne2 Ne1 68.Kd2 Kd5 69.Kxe1 e3

70.Nf4+ Ke4 71.Ng2 ½-½

Round 4 Games

Mark Schlagenhauf (2015) Chris Peterson (2157)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Bg5 c5 5.cxd5 cxd4 6.Qxd4 Nc6 7.Bxf6 gxf6 8.Qd2 exd5 9.Qxd5 Be6 10.Qxd8+ Rxd8 11.e3 Nb4 12.Bb5+ Ke7 13.Rc1 a6 14.Be2 Nxa2 15.Nxa2 Bxa2 16.Nf3 Rg8 17.0-0 Bd5 18.Rfd1 Bc6 19.g3 Rxd1+ 20.Rxd1 f5 21.Ne5 Be8 22.Bf3 Bg7 23.Nd3 Bb5 24.Nb4 Rd8 25.Rxd8 Kxd8 26.b3 a5 27.Nc2 Kc7 28.Bd5 Bd3 29.Na3 b5 30.Bxf7 Bb2 31.Nxb5+ Bxb5 32.Kg2 Kd6 33.h3 Bc6+ 34.f3 Bd5 0-1

Jackson Chen (2116) Ron Rossi (1886)

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 d6 5.Bxc6+ bxc6 6.d4 exd4 7.Nxd4 Bd7 8.0–0 Nf6 9.Nc3 Rb8 10.Qe2 c5 11.Nf3 Be7 12.e5 dxe5 13.Nxe5 0–0 14.Nxd7 Qxd7 15.Qxa6 Rb6 16.Qe2 Re8 17.Rb1 Bd6 18.Qd3 c4 19.Qf3 Ng4 20.Bf4 Bxf4 21.Qxf4 Rf6 22.Qxc4 Qf5 23.Qb5 Qxb5 24.Nxb5 Re2 25.f3 Ne3 26.Rf2 Rxc2 27.Re1 Re6 28.Nd4 Rxf2 29.Kxf2 Ng4+ 30.fxg4 1-0



Kevin Seidler and LM Brian Wall in round four action.

Victor Huang (1871) Joshua Jex (2014)

1.e4 Nc6 2.Nf3 d6 3.g3 Nf6 4.d3 g6 5.Bg2 Bg7 6.0–0 Bd7 7.Nbd2 Qc8 8.Re1 Bh3 9.Bh1 0–0 10.Nf1 e5 11.Ne3 Ng4 12.Ng5 Nxe3 13.Bxe3 Bg4 14.Qd2 f6 15.Nf3 f5 16.exf5 Qxf5 17.Ng5 Ne7 18.Bxb7 Rab8 19.Bg2 h6 20.f3 hxg5 21.fxg4 Qxg4 22.Bxg5 Nf5 23.Re4 Qh5 24.g4 Qh7 25.gxf5 gxf5 26.Rh4 Qg6 27.Bd5+ Rf7 28.Bxf7+ Kxf7 29.Kh1 Rxb2 30.Rg1 Qe6 31.Qg2 Qxa2 32.Bc1 Bf6 33.Bxb2 Qxb2 34.Qg8+ Ke7 35.Rh7+ 1-0

Avinaya Subedi (2000) Jack Woehr (1888)

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.f4 Bg7 5.Nf3 0–0 6.Bd3 Na6 7.a3 c5 8.d5 Nc7 9.0–0 b5 10.Re1 Rb8 11.h3 e6 12.dxe6 Bxe6 13.Be3 Qd7 14.Ng5 Bc4 15.Bxc4 bxc4 16.Rb1 h6 17.Nf3 Qc6 18.e5 Nfd5 19.Nxd5 Nxd5 20.Bd2 Rfe8 21.c3 Nc7 22.Qc2 Qd5 23.exd6 Qxd6 24.Rbd1 Rxe1+ 25.Rxe1 Ne6 26.Re4 Qd5 27.Bc1 Rd8 28.Kf2 Bf6 29.Qe2 Qh5 30.Rxc4 Bh4+ 31.Kf1 Bg3 32.Re4 Qd5 33.Bd2 Qa2 34.c4 Qb1+ 35.Be1 Nxf4 36.Re8+ Rxe8 37.Qxe8+ Kg7 38.Qe5+ Kg8 39.Qe8+ Kg7 40.Qe5+ Kg8 ½-½

Richard "Buck" Buchanan (2000) Larry Wutt (1872)

1.Nf3 d5 2.g3 Nc6 3.Bg2 e5 4.d3 Be6 5.0–0 Be7 6.c3 h5 7.h4 Qd7 8.e4 dxe4 9.dxe4 0–0–0 10.Qxd7+ Rxd7 11.Be3 Nh6 12.Nbd2 Ng4 13.Rfe1 Nxe3 14.Rxe3 Rhd8 15.Nb3 f6 16.Bf1 a6 17.Ree1 g5 18.hxg5 fxg5 19.Be2 h4 20.gxh4 gxh4 21.Kh2 Rf8 22.Rad1 Rxd1 23.Rxd1 Bg4 24.Rd3 a5 25.a4 Be6 26.Nbd2 Bc5 27.Bf1 Bxf2 28.Bh3 Bxh3 29.Kxh3 Nd8 30.Nxe5 Ne6 31.Kh2 Bg3+ 32.Rxg3 hxg3+ 33.Kxg3 Nc5 34.b3 b6 35.Nec4 Kd7 36.Kg4 Ke6 37.Kg3 Rd8 38.Kf4 Rd3 39.Nf3 Rxc3 40.Nd4+ Kd7 41.e5 Ne6+ 0-1

Shaun MacMillan (1815) Rhett Langseth (1928)

1.e4 d6 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.d3 c6 4.Be2 Qb6 5.Nf3 e5 6.0–0 Nbd7 7.Nd2 Be7 8.Nc4 Qc7 9.Ne3 g6 10.b4 Qb6 11.Rb1 Nf8 12.b5 Qc7 13.Bb2 Ne6 14.Qd2 Qa5 15.Nc4 Qc7 16.Ne3 Nd7 17.Kh1 Bg5 18.g3 h5 19.h4 Bh6 20.Qd1 Qd8 21.Nc4 Bf8 22.Bc1 Be7 23.Kg2 Nf6 24.Bf3 Nd4 25.Ne3 Nh7 26.Kg1 Nf8 27.Bg2 Nd7 28.bxc6 bxc6 29.Ne2 Nxe2+ 30.Qxe2 Qa5 31.Nc4 Qc7 32.c3 a5 33.Ne3 Ba6 34.c4 Nc5 35.f4 Ne6 36.Bb2 Bf8 37.Nc2 Bg7 38.Kh1 Nc5 39.f5 Nd7 40.Ba1 Nf6 41.Ne3 Nd7 42.Bh3 Nc5 43.Rf2 Bc8 44.Rbf1 Rf8 45.Bg2 Rb8 46.Kg1 ½-½

Daniel Herman (1603) Dragan Plakalovic (1768)

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 d5 3.Bf4 e6 4.e3 c6 5.Bd3 Nbd7 6.c3 b6 7.0–0 Nh5 8.Bg5 f6 9.Ne5 g6 10.Nxd7 Bxd7 11.Bh4 Be7 12.f4 f5 13.Bxe7 Qxe7 14.Nd2 Nf6 15.Nf3 c5 16.Ne5 c4 17.Bc2 b5 18.a4 b4 19.Qf3 b3 20.Bd1 Ne4 21.Qh3 0–0–0 22.Bf3 Nf6 23.Nxd7 Kxd7 24.a5 Rb8 25.Ra3 a6 26.g4 fxg4 27.Bxg4 Ne4 28.Qg2 Kc7 29.Bf3 g5 30.Bxe4 gxf4 31.Rxf4 Rhg8 32.Rg4 Rxg4 33.Qxg4 dxe4 34.Qf4+ Kc8 35.Qxe4 Qg7+ 36.Qg2 Qh6 37.Qc6+ Kd8 38.Qd6+ Kc8 39.Qf4 Qg6+ 40.Kf2 Qc2+ 41.Kg3 Qxb2 42.Qf8+ Kd7 43.Qxb8 Qxa3 44.Qb7+ ½-½

William Shand (1553) Joe Pahk (1655)

1.c4 Nf6 2.g3 d5 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.Nc3 Nc6 5.Bg2 e6 6.a3 Bc5 7.Na4 Be7 8.b4 0–0 9.e3 a5 10.b5 Na7 11.Rb1 Qd7 12.e4 Nf6 13.b6 Nb5 14.bxc7 Qd3 15.Rb3 Qc4 16.Nb6 Qd4 17.Rxb5 Nxe4 18.Qf3 Nd6 19.Bb2 Nxb5 20.Bxd4 Nxd4 21.Qd3 e5 22.Nxa8 Bf5 23.Be4 Bxe4 24.Qxe4 Rxa8 25.Qxb7 1-0

Gene Lucas (1570) **Andy Wu** (1722)

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 d5 3.c4 e6 4.Nc3 Bb4 5.e3 c5 6.a3 Bxc3+ 7.bxc3 Nc6 8.dxc5 0-0 9.cxd5 exd5 10.Be2 Qa5 11.Qc2 Bf5 12.Qb3 Qxc5 13.0-0 Rfc8 14.Bb2 Na5 15.Qb4 Qxb4 16.cxb4 Nb3 17.Bxf6 Nxa1 18.Bxa1 Rc2 19.Nd4 Ra2 20.Nxf5 Rxe2 21.Ne7+ Kf8 22.Nxd5 Rd8 23.Nc3 Rc2 24.h3 Rdd2 25.Ne4 Rd3 26.Nc3 f5 27.Nb1 g6 28.Bd4 a6 29.Nc3 b5 30.Nd5 Rxa3 31.Bc5+ Kf7 32.Nc7 Rd2 33.Na8 Raa2 34.g4 fxg4 35.hxg4 Kf6 36.Kg2 h5 37.gxh5 gxh5 38.e4 Ke5 39.Re1 Re2 40.Rxe2 Rxe2 41.Nc7 Ra2 42.Ne8 Kxe4 43.Nf6+ Ke5 44.Nxh5 a5 45.bxa5 Rxa5 46.Ng3 Ra2 47.Bf8 Kd5 48.Nf1 Rb2 49.Ne3+ Kc6 50.Nf5 b4 51.Bg7 Rb1 52.Bf8 b3 53.Nd4+ Kd5 54.Nxb3 Rxb3 55.Bh6 Kc6 56.Be3 Kd5 57.Kf3 Ke5 58.Kg4 Ke4 59.Kg3 Kd3 60.Kf3 Ra3 61.Bc5 Rb3 62.Be3 Rb2 63.Kg2 1/2-1/2



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Perfection at the 2013 Tri-Lakes Open

by Joe Fromme, Jr.

In the final round on board one, Lifemaster Brian Wall boldly presented a massive pawn front against Kevin Seidler's macho Grunfeld, and yes, my friends it was interesting. My Columbian coffee house analysis revealed that after 17 more moves Black would attain clear advantage, and of course, my HAL 9000 computer, verified my data. Apparently, Brian saw the same line and he offered a draw. Luckily for him, Kevin overlooked it and after some reflection accepted his draw offer. Realizing my idol would not achieve a perfect score, depression overcame my world.

Eventually becoming bored with my completely self absorbed bummerness, I weakly gazed up to see Chris Peterson playing Black against Mark Schlagenhauf on board 2. Wow, seeing Chris had to be good enough for my wood pushing viewage! The moves already played were:

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Bg5 c5 5.cxd5 cxd4 6.Qxd4 Nc6 7.Bxf6 gxf6 8.Qd2 exd5



Hmmm...pausing, feeling intellectual, at least appearing wise, I pondered the inferior pawn structure with pawn deficit. Did the champ blunder? Entering this question into my HAL 9000 elicited an immediate response in his usual smooth and exquisitely mellow voice. "Hello Joe, the first time you act the patzer it is rather precious in a Bambi sort of way, but later, it gets really old." The battle continues –

9.Qxd5 Be6 10.Qxd8+! Rxd8

I get it now Hal, a small lead in development with bishop pair as compensation for inferior pawn structure and pawn deficit. I'm not sure what happened to my computer buddy next, but there was an unmistakably strong vibration accompanied by a faint but undeniable smokey odor, and than his LED's blinked out.

11.e3 Nb4 12.Bb5+ Ke7 13.Rc1 a6
14.Be2 Nxa2 15.Nxa2 Bxa2 16.Nf3 Rg8
17.0-0 Bd5 18.Rfd1 Bc6 19.g3 Rxd1+
20.Rxd1 f5 21.Ne5 Be8 22.Bf3 Bg7
23.Nd3 Bb5 24.Nb4 Rd8 25.Rxd8 Kxd8
26.b3 a5 27.Nc2 Kc7 28.Bd5 Bd3
29.Na3 b5 30.Bxf7 Bb2 31.Nxb5 Bxb5
32.Kg2 Kd6 33.h3 Bc6+ 34.f3 Bd5
White Resigns.



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Recent Advances in the Reverse Modern Opening A00

by Colin James III

I. Introduction

Beginning with 1.d3, the Mieses opening A00 often transposes into variations in the Reti opening A07 as the database variation named New York and Capablanca Systems. In this analysis the Mieses opening is more exactly called the Reverse Modern or Reverse Pirc. (This is pronounced as "Peerts" to rhyme with "peer" and ending in sibilant "z".) This paper is to complete a two-part opening theory project that began over eight years ago¹ as the opening moves for Black from 1...d6. The rationale was to evaluate a single set of opening moves to be playable on either the White or Black side so as to minimize the amount of opening theory for non-experts to remember.

II. Experimental apparatus and implications

A. Software and Hardware

The software used in the final preparation of this analysis was the Chessbase interface and Houdini 4 Pro x64B engine where "B" designates the 64-bit instruction set of Intel. Three computers were used: Dell desktop 1; Dell laptop 2; and HP desktop 3. There were respectively 2, 4, and 5 processing cores and 3072, 4608, and 9216 GB of memory allocated to look up tables. The total computing power for Houdini 4 Pro was 11 cores and 16.90 GB of hash RAM. The total processing time was less than 120-hours. That elapsed time could be minimized further if the Houdini engine used a better consolidator and garbage collector for its binary tree and hash table implementation. This implied that the user may improve engine performance by manually clearing the hash table; such as at known pivot points in the move tree, even though the documentation of the Houdini engine somewhat discouraged this practice.

B. Test Environment

The same operating system versions and hardware loads were used, namely, no

cloud computing and no access to the internet or to chess databases. Laptop 2 ran about as fast as desktop 3. Although the respective hash table memory sizes were doubled from 4.6 to 9.2 GB, the engine performance was only slightly improved for desktop 3. By linear extension what followed was that the maximum 256 GB memory space for look up tables as supported by the Houdini engine was not necessarily more effective than a 128 GB memory space. Desktop 3 had one more core (5) than laptop 2 (4). Again, the improved performance was trivial. This implied that a laptop with four processing cores and 4.6 GB look up table memory was sufficient for practitioners to replicate the analysis here.

C. Previous Work

Prior work involved multiple core machines running various engine versions of Fritz, Houdini, and Rybka under the interfaces of Chessbase and Aquarium. The total previous processing time was over eight years at 72,000 hours or 4.3 million minutes. Experiments were performed without access to or reliance on chess databases, in order to insulate results as dependent exclusively on the chess engine tested. After the introduction of Houdini 4 Pro in 2013, the difference in performance of processing time reflected an improvement in the algorithms of chess engines over the last eight years since 2005. Unfortunately such improvements in game theory did not apply to or affect stochastic artificial intelligence networks (SAINs) which continued to remain in the AI-winter for over the last 30 years.

D. Exceptions Raised

During the experiment, the Houdini 4 engine was discovered defective because at move 13 ply 1, desktop 3 produced inconsistent results. Therefore the instant analysis was correct after move 12 for only desktop 1 and laptop 2.

III. Moves 1-13, ply 1

1.d3 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.g3 d5 4.Bg2 Bg4 5.O-O f6 6.c4 d4 7.Qb3 Rb8 8.Qa4 Qd79.a3 Nge7 10.b4 Nc8 11.Nbd2 (transposes as 11.Re1 Be7 12.Nbd2 O-O (transposes as 12...a6 13.Ne4 O-O)) ...Be7 12.Re1 O-O 13.Ne4 (...0.07). White's defensive strategy is to fianchetto the White king's bishop at move 4.Bg2. This position was used extensively by Sammy Reshevsky as a trademark for four reasons. First, the bishops command the most potentially continuous diagonal squares. Second, castling behind the structure is more difficult for Black to attack than castling behind three pawns together on the second rank in a neat row. Third, the bishop is somewhat protected to preserve it longer for the middle and end game. Fourth, when pieces are moved out of the diagonal control of the White bishop, sometimes Black pieces are discovered and exposed to attack, such as a Black rook on a8.

White castles early on move 5.O-O. While the structure is defensively sound to withstand immediate attack by black sacking or sacrificing pieces, the castling does telegraph where the White king is, and so the king becomes a less mobile target than before castling in the middle file.



White's offensive strategy is to lure Black into an extended position in the center that cannot be maintained by a supply line from behind and hence becomes isolated in segments. To that goal, White passively surrounds the center with indirect pressure rather than attempting overt aggression.

Black's defensive strategy is not readily apparent, other than to foil the strong placement of White's fianchetto bishop and inhibit the range of White's other bishop. Black soon adopts a strategy not to make the Black king a target by castling as early as White. Hence Black delays castling until later at move 12...O-O by relying in the meantime on the king's presence in the center on the assumption

that the center will continue under Black control and hold.

Black is also ever aware of the development of White's other bishop at c1. If the Black knight develops to Nf6, then Black entertains White's potential Bg5 as a nuisance pin against the Black queen. Black may proactively inhibit this. But that could lead in piece exchanges to Black's pawn structure on the king side becoming disrupted and weakened from its original continuous single rank behind which the Black king may castle.

To foil that threat, Black may wait for the White bishop to move as Bg5, and then kick the bishop with h6. Black effectively challenges the White bishop immediately to attack or to retreat. Such an exchange is probably more advantageous for White. This is because after ...Nf6, Bg5 h6, Bxf6 Qxf6, the Black queen loses its previous span of control in the center and is dismissed to the king flank as a nanny. There the Black queen has diminished access to the center and the queen side of the board.

The alternative to Black's h6 is not to develop the Black knight as Nf6 but rather to advance the Black pawn as f6. While this thwarts the White bishop as Bg5, there is a price Black pays, namely, how to develop the Black bishop from f8. Black also knows the f6 is a sensitive and weaker square needing protection next to the king on e8 or g8 if castled. The only place for Black's knight to go is as Ne7, but that completely blocks the Black bishop in a restricted position. If Black wants to castle king side, Black must prepare the space by moving the king's knight and bishop out of the way in a minimum of three moves: Ne7 then Ng6 and Be7 or elsewhere. This forces Black to delay castling.

Black's offensive strategy is to develop the Black bishop from c8 as Bg4. This pins the White knight against a pawn and



indirectly against the White queen. Black's next task is to attack the White fianchetto bishop and pawn structure in front of the castled White king. The standard pattern of attack is Bh3, but only after Qd7. (This type of pattern obviously does not work with those pieces in reversed order.) For the purpose of supporting the bishop on g4, the move Qd7 is better than Qc8 because the queen is raised from the back rank. However, the Houdini engine temporarily abandons the attack of Bh3 in lieu of the more immediate plan below.

IV. Pivot Point: Move 13, ply 1

Using the machine desktop 3, the Houdini engine produced 13.Nh4 (-0.14 depth 31). Because this was deemed to be a spurious result, desktop 3 was abandoned for testing of that position. (The product reseller solicited the error to inform the vendor for "the bug list to be fixed"; when this error was not forthcoming, the vendor denied the product was defective, but reimbursed anyway, meaning the vendor acknowledged the defect).

The pivot point in a sequence of beginning moves sometimes marks the gradual transition of beginning game to the middle game, such as between moves 12 to 16. In this analysis, the pivot point comes at move 13 ply 1 and coincidentally with the engine malfunction. On the surface, neither one of the moves Nde4 or Nfh4 immediately attacks an unprotected Black piece. This subtlety illustrates the noble joy of chess: its essence is not in the piece that is moved, but in the piece that is not moved. Move 13 ply 1 marks a pivot point that is not a slow transition but a violent transfer of power from Black to White with statistical equality for White. It is at this point that the Houdini engine begins to favor White. Therefore White adopts the assault below to contest the center because of Black's anemic kingside development with no major Black piece on the king side.

A further cause of this pivot point may be that 5...f6 ultimately backfires when Black castles as 12...O-O. This is because behind Black's extended pawn string from g7 diagonally to d4 is a vacant diagonal d5 to g8 which serves as an unobstructed route to outflank the Black king at g8.

V. Moves Subsequent to 13, ply 1

13...a6 14.Qc2 Nd6 15.Nc5 Qc8 16.Nb3 Rd8 17.b5 axb5 18.cxb5 Na7.



19.e3 (transposes as 19.a4 b6 20.e3 dxe3 21.Bxe3) ...dxe3 20.Bxe3 b6 21.a4 c5 22.Nfd2 Bf5 (0.31 depth 27).

From move 22 ply 2, these variations are presented in passing:

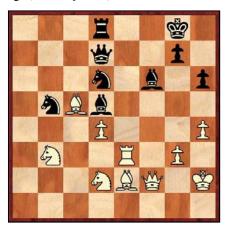
22...Bh3 23.Bxh3 Qxh3 24.f4 h5 25.fxe5 fxe5 26.Nc4 Nxc4 27.dxc4 h4 28.Qg2 Qe6 29.Nd2 Nc8 30.a5 bxa5 31.Rxa6 hxg3 32.hxg3 Qg4 33.Qf3 Qg6 34.Ne4 Rf8 35.Qg2 Qg4 36.Ra6 Nb6 37.Qc2 Rf7 38.Bf2 Qh3 39.Ra7 Rbf8 40.Rxe7 Rxf2 41.Qxf2 Rxf2 42.Kxf2 Qh2+ 43.Kf3 Nxc4. (0.44 depth 31)

22...Nf7 23.Nc4 Bf5 24.Be4 Qe6 25.Nbd2 Bxe4 26.dxe4 Rd7 27.Reb1 Rdb7 28.Qd3 Bf8 29.Kg2 Rd8 30.Qb3 Rdb8 31.f3 Qd7 32.Na3 Nc8 33.Ndc4. (0.53 depth 31)

22...Bf5 23.a5 Naxb5 24.axb6 Rxb6 25.Bxc5 Ra6 26.Rxa6 Qxa6 27.f4 Kh8 (0.31 depth 27).



One continuation proceeds as: 28.Bf1 Qc8 29.Qc1 Qb7 30.fxe5 fxe5 31.Rxe5 Bf6 32.Re3 Qf7 33.Qe1 Bc8 34.d4 Bb7 35.Qf2 h6 36.Be2 Bd5 37.h4 Qd7 39.Kh2 Kg8 (0.25 depth 30).



Another continuation proceeds as: 28.Nf3 Qc8 29.fxe5 Nb7 30.exf6 Bxf6 31.Ne5 Bxe5 32.Rxe5 Bxd3 33.Bxb7 Bxc2 34.Bxc8 Rxc8 35.Nd4 Nxd4 36.Bxd4 Rg8 37.Re7 Bb3 38.Kf2 h5 (0.14 depth 30).



VI. Conclusion

In this opening White succeeds in the goal to lure Black into an unsupported center with long pawn string from g7 to d4. This opening may reduce to a contest of how each side best develops the bishops from c1 and c8, thus demonstrating a lesson in how to place bishops effectively early in the game. Much of the timing strategy for both sides is directed to this effort. The Houdini engine makes this clear in the various defensive maneuvers

such as 4.Bg2 and 5...f6. What follows from this analysis is a second look at Black's strategies derived in the earlier paper¹ from the lesser mature Fritz engines.

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The Game of Nobles

by Tana Lorenz

I did not start life as a slave, quite the opposite really; I was the youngest child of the noble house Narabi. I had slaves that waited on me; helped me dress, washed my hair, and cooked my meals among other chores I did not even know existed. As a girl child I was not really worth much to my family unless they could marry me off to a more powerful house, but that was doubtful. Well, actually, the probability of that was impossible since I am a half breed. I am my fathers' daughter with his fifth wife. I had many older siblings, but I would not be here if my father had not won my mother in a game of the nobles which her people call it Chess. I grew up learning the rules of Chess playing with my father he even taught my mother who previously could not even hold a chess piece, a piece of her people because she had been a slave.

My mother's people were captured hundreds of years ago when they fled their planet in the final throws of its death. She and her people are very different from us; their skin comes in a variety of colors from pink to black of night. They do not have horns like my father's people. They are shorter, and they do not live as long. My father's people have lavender skin. Even the shortest old women stand two heads taller than my mother. Their life span is double in length. Really the only thing that varies in our people is the shape and size of our horns. I carry more of my mother's traits than my fathers'; my skin is pink with a hint of lavender, my horns barley peak out beyond my crow black hair. But even with all my short fallings I am blessed with her big eyes and their blue coloring.

I am torn from my memories by the sound of the front door slamming. I busily turn back to my scrubbing, happy memories are for another time. My master is home and by his heavy footsteps he did not have a good day at Court. I have been in service to the Danri house for two years now; I was sold to Tangen Danri to repay my father's gambling debts. Today, however, is the day I play for my freedom using the very tool that put me here, Chess. Slaves caught with any pieces, a board, or even practicing would be exe-

cuted. That is why I have to win. If I do not I will lose my head.

"Alessia Narabi, isn't today the day you go to meet the axe man?" Tangi Danri the youngest boy of the Danri house taunted me from the doorway.

"No Nobility, today I become free," it is all I can say. If I speak my mind I am liable to actually meet the axe man and never be free and breathing again.

"Nobility, your father has sent for you," Killian bowed before Tangi then he straightened and pointed to the opposite wing of the family home. Once Tangi had disappeared Killian turned back to me, "are you ready for today Alessia?"

He was one of the kindest free human servants I had encountered. Most treated enslaved Traxians lower than low, but who could blame them?

"I am ready as I can be; the Grand Master I will be playing is my brother. I have to play my best, or I die. I was told we would play five total games, so best of five wins. Killian, I wanted to thank you for all your help over the last two years. You put your freedom on the line so I may play for mine. Without your training I would have been a slave the rest of my life."

"Do not thank me until you have won, Alessia. But once you do win you can stay with my family or go back to your



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father, it is your choice." Killian smiled and left me alone to think and to prepare.

Tangen Danri led a small party and myself into the game hall below the family's main living space. There on cushions sat my oldest brother, the Grand Master, and my father. The Chessboard was already set up before him; the white and black pieces gleamed in flickering candle light. The ceremonies were completed in a whirl. My nerves were already in my throat, the rules were set, no timer for moves best of the five games wins.

The first game was over before I knew it, in thirty moves, his rook checked my king at F7 forcing it into the exposed G6 square; Tangen chuckled to Tangi at my folly. I took a deep breath as we reset the board. If he won the next two I would lose more than the match. Game two started with our pawns meeting and he claimed my first. Once he moved his knight I claimed his pawn, but his knight claimed my second pawn. My nerves calmed as methodically our pieces engaged, fell, advanced, until I realized in one more move I would have his king! I could see in his eyes that I had him. He moved his pawn, and it took him a few moments to remove his knobby fingers

from the piece. My fingers trembled as I wrapped my own around my bishop. His king was alone at G1; I made my move, bishop to H2. This time I heard my father chuckle. Looking up, Tangen sneered at me with still three games to go. The third game started slowly and lasted for hours, the Grand Master was not about to rush head long into another loss so he tested the waters trying to draw me out. I barely came away with my second win. One more and I would win the match and my freedom.

The fourth match was a disaster. I got ahead of myself; my brother brought all his pieces into play cutting me off. In a grand flourish he even knocked my king over with his knight. I fought back a sea of emotion as we reset for the final game in the match; if I lost here all this would be for naught. The fifth game started with me bringing my pawn to D4, he did not meet me with another pawn; however, he brought out his knight to F6. We all settled in for a long game. In a sense we were both fighting for more than just a win. Three hours passed, and each of our number dwindled down to eleven. It was then that I saw it. If I moved my rook from H1 to H6 I could take his pawn. A wild look came to my brother, the Grand Master. He was going to lose, and he knew it. He moved a pawn to A5. I cleared my path of attack by moving my second rook from G6 to G5; all he could do was capture my pawn at B4. I took my final move, and with a delicate touch I took my queen from C2 and bee lined for H7, checking his king at G8. He had no moves left. He had boxed himself in with his own rook, queen, and pawn on three sides! My queen felled his king. The reverent silence was finally broken by my father's laughter.

"Tangen, I told you my daughter would win her freedom. You made a wager on it, and she is free." On that day I won more than my freedom. I took back the honor of my house, I made my mothers' people proud. I managed to win my fathers' bet, and I gained the respect and protection of the Grand Master.





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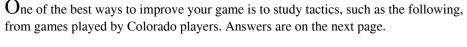
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Tactics Time!

by Tim Brennan



1. Anthea Carson - Gary Bagstad
Winter Springs Open / Dec. 2013
White to move





2. William Shand - Gene Lucas
Panera Bread - Academy / Nov. 2013
Black to move



3. Alex Mekonnen - Rhett LangsethPanera Bread - Academy / Nov. 2013
Black to move



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White to move



5. Brian Rountree - Justice MyersPanera Bread - Powers / Nov. 2013
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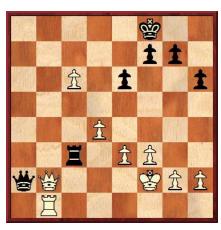
6. Kevin Kaaoush - Paul Anderson CSCC December Quad / Dec. 2013 Black to move



7. Ekrem Tamkan - Mark Krowczyk

Colorado Open / Sept. 2013

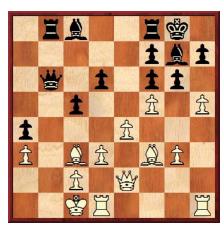
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8. Mike Madsen - Richard Handoko

Colorado Open / Aug. 2013

Black to move



9. Ed Sedillo - Suhaas Narayanan Colorado Open / Sept. 2013 Black to move

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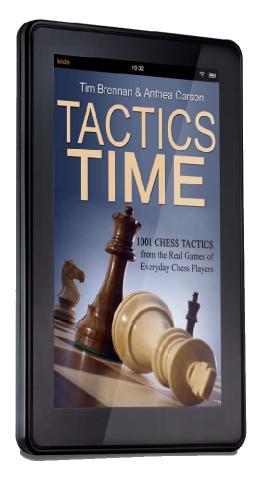
Tactics Time is celebrating its 10 year anniversary with the January 2014 issue of the *Colorado Chess Informant*! The first Tactics Time column appeared in the January 2004 issue of the magazine.

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THANK YOU so much for the support over the past ten years! I appreciate every reader, and couldn't do it without you!

- Tim Brennan



Tactics Time answers:

- 1. Anthea wins a piece with 1.Bxb8 Raxb8 2.Nd4 with a discovered attack on the Black queen and Black knight on g4.
- 2. This is another position where the hanging bishop is first traded off to gain a time, before the kill shot. 19...Bxc3 20.bxc3 f5 with a Noah's ark style trap 21.Rd4 f4 trapping the White bishop on g3.
- 3. Rhett missed a cute mate in 3 with 14...Nxh3+!! 15.gxh3 Qxf2+ 16.Kh1 Qxh2# (15.Kh1 Ngxf2#) (15.Kf1 Nxh2#).
- **4.** White overloads the Black queen with **36.Rxd7!** The Black queen cannot capture the White rook and maintain the protection of the Black rook on h4.
- 5. Brian metes out justice with 31.Qf8#.
- **6. 20...Bh6** skewers the White rook to the king.
- 7. 36.Qxh4!! Got a well deserved "!!" from Fritz 13. Black cannot recapture because of 36...gxh4 37.Rxg8 and Black cannot stop 38.R1g7#.
- **8.** 33...Rc2+ with a text book X-ray attack.
- 9. Suhaas took it to the house with 23...Bh6+ 24.Qe3 Bxe3+ 25.Bd2 Qb2#.

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Clearing a Path to the King

by NM Todd Bardwick

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I often get asked the question, "Are masters always looking for checkmates?"

In positions where the king is safely tucked away, the answer is "no".

But when a king is even a little bit exposed, you absolutely must look for possible mate threats.

Usually the king has some form of protection in front of him. The secret to a successful attack is by clearing a path to him by trading away the pieces protecting him or sacrificing your pieces to eliminate these defenders. Sometimes you can force his pieces to different squares, giving your pieces a path to invade.

Here is an example from Lenningrad, USSR, in 1934, between Max Euwe and Peter Romanovsky.

Peter Romanovsky



Max Euwe

Position after 18...Bh5 / White to move

Black has several pieces hovering around White's king and there is a possibly crushing knight fork on f3. Black's knight is pinned to a checkmate on g7. In the actual game, White defended his knight with 19.Rfe1 and eventually the game ended in a draw.

But what if White had played the natural 19.Nf4?

Black could respond, 19...Nf3+!! 20.gxf3 Qg5+ 21.Ng2 h3 22.Qxg7+ Qxg7 23.Bxg7 hxg2 24.Kxg2 Kxg7 leaving Black ahead in material. In this case, Black's knight would have cleared the path for a sequence of moves that would lead to a winning endgame.

Here is a position between Anatoly Karpov and Eldis Arteaga from Skopje, Yugoslavia, 1972.

Eldis Arteaga



Anatoly Karpov

Position after 19...Rc8 / White to move

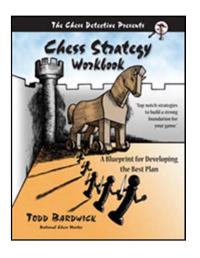
One of most common ways to clear a path to the king is by moving and exchanging pawns. Karpov played, 20.f5! gxf5 21.Bxf5! Nf8 22.Qh6 Ng6 (Black tries to cover up his king with the knight, but it is now exchanged.) 23.Bxg6 hxg6 24.Re3 (The rook-lift theme is a common way to bring the rook into the attack.) 24...Bf8 25.Qh4 Bg7 26.Rh3 Be8 27.Qh7+ Kf8 28.Qxg6 f6 29.Rxf6+! Resigns

Karpov eliminated three pawns and a knight on his way to Black's king!



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Maxwell AFB Airman Soars to Top of Chess World

by Jodi L. Jordan Air Force Culture and Language Center Outreach Team

In just 11 years, the finance officer for Maxwell's Air Force Culture and Language Center has risen to the top of his game in a sport that can take a lifetime to master.

First Lt. Gordon Randall recently brought home four trophies from the U.S. Armed Forces Open Chess Championship, held at Ft. Eustis, Va., Oct. 12-14.

Randall, a 2010 U.S. Air Force Academy graduate, bested 34 top players to achieve a four-way tie for first place in the main event, a two-way tie for first place in the 10-minute Blitz tournament, first place in the Bughouse team event, as well as earning the award for the best sacrifice move in the two-day tournament. The scores from this event pushed his ranking in the United States Chess Federation to "expert," and placed him in the top 5 percent of all chess players in the USCF.

Ratings like that don't just happen by accident in chess. His success is the result of hard work and countless hours of playing and studying chess. Randall typically spends one or two hours in self-study and practice every day, with two separate three-hour formal practice sessions each week. The arduous schedule is necessary, he said, if you want to be the best.

"To be great at something, you have to want it," he said. "In chess, everything is right there, like it or not. There are no real tricks. The outcome depends on how hard you work and how deep you're willing to go."

Randall first began playing chess competitively for his high school team in Germantown, Md. Following a successful high school career, including helping his alma mater place in the top 10 chess schools in America, Randall entered the USAFA. He was a member of USAFA's chess team, although he said most of his playing was during his junior and senior year, when he "finally had time to play," he said with a smile.

This year marked his third trip to the U.S. Armed Forces Open, and it brought back fond memories – and a bit of redemption – for the lieutenant.

"One of the best things from this tournament was beating two of the West Point cadets. We had a big rivalry when I competed as a cadet back in 2008 and 2009," Randall said.

The wins didn't come easy, though.

"I barely won my first game. I only had 17 seconds left on the clock," he said, referring to the play clock, where taking more than the allotted time means an immediate loss.

Randall credits his work ethic for much of his success, but he also cites an ability to use "selective memory" as important to being a winning player. Where much of the conventional wisdom about chess focuses on memory skills, Randall has a different perspective.

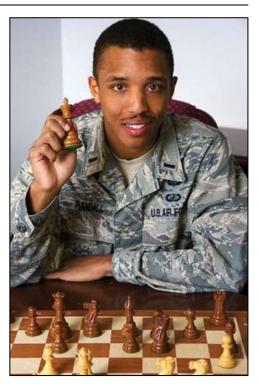
"It's a game of memory, but it's also a game of forgetting," he said. "If you go into a game thinking about what happened in the last game, you'll make mistakes. Maybe you're playing someone who's beat you before, or you're playing someone you've lost to, that result doesn't matter. You've got to play one game at a time."

The big wins at the USAFO are just another stepping stone for Randall, who now sets his sights on the reaching the "Master" level – a level that is currently populated by the top two percent of all USCF players. He estimates that he'll reach that goal by 2015, if, he says, he continues to work hard.

"It's just going to take more time, more dedication," he said.

He'll have many opportunities to gain those points, including as a member of the U.S. team competing at the NATO chess championship in August 2014, and at next year's USAFO tournament, which he's been selected to organize.

In addition to playing competitively, Randall is also very active in his local chess community. Twice a week, he and other members of the Montgomery Chess Club meet at local venues for open play. One of those weekly sessions is primarily focused on young or new players, an endeavor close to Randall's heart.



First Lt. Gordon Randall, the finance officer for Maxwell's Air Force Culture and Language Center, is now an 'expert' chess player in the United States Chess Federation following a strong performance at the U.S. Armed Forces Open Chess Championship in Ft. Eustis, Va. Photo by Timothy Frantz

"I want people to learn about and to play the game," he said. "It helps with critical thinking, proven day in and day out. It makes you think of first-, second- and third-order effects subconsciously. It teaches you how to use what you have to succeed."

Randall supports the AFCLC's Language Enabled Airman Program. More than 1,000 Airmen from across the Air Force participate in LEAP, and Randall manages the travel costs associated for their training.

His proficiency in chess is no surprise to his supervisor, Zachary Hickman, the AFCLC's Language Division chief. "Since coming to the AFCLC last year, it's been evident that Lt. Randall takes learning very seriously. He's worked hard to understand the ins and outs of our work," Hickman said. "It's clear he knows understanding his job is something he can't 'pawn' off to someone else."



You've Got Another Thing Comin'!

by Paul Anderson

In 1965, the Colorado Springs Chess Club began tracking the City Chess Champions. Since that time 33 different players have won the title and had their names inscribed on the club's plaques. Most of the players have won the title once. However, about a third of the players who have won the crown have been able to repeat as champion. Since I won my 2nd championship in 2013, I was interested in seeing who had repeated as champion and how often.

Having the city championship start about the same time as the Super Bowl era began, I was curious if any player had been able to match the success of the Pittsburgh Steelers, the NFL team to win the most Super Bowl games with 6. It is interesting to note that the NFL has had 12 teams repeat as champions, which is the exact same number of chess players to repeat as Colorado Springs City Chess champion.

So, I decided to share with you my games from each of the 4 rounds of the 2013 Colorado Springs City Chess Championship and let you know a little about the history of one of the oldest continually running clubs in the country.

The format of the championship in the early days is, for the most part, a mystery. However, since the early 1990s, it has been conducted as an unrated, 4-round, Swiss tournament (G/90) with a nominal entry fee that is all returned in prizes. The idea of continuing the City Championship as an unrated event was to allow all chess players access to the crown rather than just USCF-rated tournament players.

Some USCF members have begun to request a change to the format to make it a rated event. The idea being that the City Championship doesn't actually draw in very many unrated players, and as a rated event, it would encourage more players to join or renew their membership in the USCF, encouraging more activity throughout the year. As one of the officers of the Colorado Springs Chess Club, I am agreeable to the idea, which may be best addressed at the club's annual meeting on January 14th.

Round I

I first won a championship in 2010. While it was not an easy task to achieve for me, the numbers point to the fact that repeating as champion is harder. For many players, life just gets in the way, and careers and families call players away from the game or the area. However, my stable history in Colorado Springs and my improving chess ability over the years have made it easier for me to repeat as champion and leave behind the 21 players who claimed 1 City Chess Championship.

1x Champions (21):

1965 Francis Mason

1966 R. Fabian

1967 Greg Hock

1971 Mel Davis

1972 Walt Novak

1975 R. Meeker

1976 Tim Roth

1977 Barry Biggs

1978 R.O. Coupland

1983 Randy Canney

1984 Ray Haskins

1985 Ray Mar

1986 Tom Unger

1987 Pete Kurucz

1988 Tom Berndt

1993 Red Turner

1994 Ron Smits

2002 Jason Caldwell

2004 Brian Wall

2006 Bill Weihmiller

2008 Mitch Anderson

In 2010, I was the 4th seed and in the top half of the players in the event. In 2013, I was again a 4th seed and in the top half. This makes for an easier 1st round opponent, and I was paired with a newcomer to the club, Tom Richardson. He had recently returned to tournament chess after a long absence. So, I figured my years of experience will carry the day and allow me to move up in round 2.

Paul Anderson Tom Richardson

CSCC Championship Colorado Springs / October 8, 2013

1.d4 d5 2.c4 Nf6 3.cxd5 Nxd5 4.e4 Nb6 5.Nc3 e6 6.Nf3 Be7 7.Bd3 0–0 8.0–0 c5 9.Be3 Nc6 10.dxc5 Nd7

Already I have gained a pawn, and the question is whether I can hang on to it. I am fairly sure it was not an intentional

pawn sacrifice, as I like my position as well as the material advantage. I am confident that Tom will have the tougher time coming up with a plan from here.

11.Na4 Bf6 12.Rc1 Nce5 13.Nxe5 Nxe5 14.Be2 Bd7 15.Nc3 Qe7 16.f4 Ng6 17.e5 Nxe5 18.fxe5 Bxe5 19.g3 Rfd8 20.Qe1 g6

I have gained more material after Tom develops his queen to an unfortunate square on move 15, leaving his dark bishop lacking squares and open to an attack from my pawn push. I jump on the mistake and begin to look for ways to reduce his army to the point where resignation is the best course for him.

21.Bf3 Bc6 22.Bxc6 bxc6 23.Qf2 f5 24.Rfd1 Qg7 25.Rxd8+ Rxd8 26.Rd1 Rxd1+ 27.Nxd1 Qc7 28.Bf4 Bxf4 29.Qxf4 Qxf4 30.gxf4 h6

Tom helps me out a bit here by trading off his pieces quickly. Now it is just a matter of getting my knight to the prime spot.

31.Nf2 Kg7 32.Nd3 g5 33.Kf2 Kf6 34.Ke3 g4 35.Ne5 1–0

With the knight threatening to create a passed pawn and my king holding off his pawn threats, the writing is on the wall and Tom gives me the gracious concession.

Round II

Within the first decade of the city championship, a couple of players gained their 2nd titles. The first player to regain the title, Robert Jordan, was also the first player to win back-to-back titles. However, other players took a little more time between titles. The record-holder for waiting the most time between winning championships is Shaun MacMillan. Shaun won his 1st title in 1982 as a youthful expert and waited 25 years before earning his second, as a hard-working, if less-talented, renewed student of the game.

2x Champions (9):

1968 Robert Jordan

1969 Robert Jordan

1970 Carl Freeman

1973 Ken Case

1974 Carl Freeman

1979 Joe DeVico

1980 Joe DeVico

1981 Ken Case

1982 Shaun MacMillan

1995 Chris Brunt

1996 Chris Brunt

1999 Jeff Fox

2001 Josh Bloomer

2005 Josh Bloomer

2007 Shaun MacMillan

2009 Jeff Fox

2010 Paul Anderson

2013 Paul Anderson

In the 2nd round, my fear begins to increase. I have to face Mark McGough with the Black pieces. The problem is that Mark and I have played 41 games against each other in rated play and far more in blitz games. Plus, Mark is a great student of the game, studying his losses and coming up with new ideas to eliminate his past mistakes. He even gets advice from NM Josh Bloomer on what opening variations he can use against me.

Mark McGough Paul Anderson

CSCC Championship Colorado Springs / October 15, 2013

1.d4 c6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.Nf3 d6 5.e4 Bg4 6.Be2 Nf6 7.0–0 0–0 8.Be3 Qc7 9.Rc1 e5 10.dxe5 dxe5 11.h3 Bxf3 12.Bxf3 Rd8 13.Qc2 Nbd7 14.Rfd1 Nf8 15.Qb3 b6 16.a4 Ne6 17.c5 Nxc5 18.Bxc5 bxc5 19.Qc4 Qb6 20.b3 Bf8

I have survived the opening and gained a pawn. This time I am sure that Mark gave up the pawn intentionally. I think he was worried about the knight being well supported on d4 and figured that he could regain the double pawn eventually.

21.Ne2 Rab8 22.Rxd8 Rxd8 23.Rc3 Kg7 24.Nc1 Rd4 25.Qe2 Qb4 26.Na2 Qa5 27.Qc2 Qd8 28.Rc4 Rd2 29.Qb1 h5 30.Nc3 Qd3 31.Qxd3 Rxd3 32.Be2 Rd4 33.f3 Nd7 34.Nd1 a5 35.Kf2 Kf6 36.Ke3 Bh6+ 37.Kf2 Nb6 38.Rc2 Bf8 39.Ne3 h4 40.Nc4 Nxc4

I have been able to hold on to the pawn, but it was more out of luck than skill. As Mark gets into time pressure, I start to make some impulsive moves. On move 36 and 37, I remove both the bishop and knight from protecting the c5 pawn. Fortunately, Mark had little time to survey the position and just reacted to the attack on his rook. So, I restored the protection

on the pawn and tried to come up with a better plan.

41.Bxc4 Kg5 42.Ke2 Kf4 43.Bxf7 g5 44.Kf2 c4 45.Bxc4 Bc5 46.Kf1 Rd1+ 47.Ke2 Rg1 48.Kd3 Bd4 49.Be6 c5 50.Kc4 Kg3 51.Bg4 Rb1 52.Bf5 Bf2 53.Be6 Kxg2 54.Kb5 Kxf3 55.Bf5 Rxb3+ 56.Kxa5 Rb4 57.Ra2 Bd4 58.Ka6 c4 59.Ka5 Rb2 60.Rxb2 Bxb2

My plans begin to bounce back and forth between good and bad ideas. Again I remove the protection from a pawn, and this time, Mark sees it before I do. I am undaunted by the set back and devise a plan to sacrifice another pawn for a bishop and rook invasion. Despite being a pawn down, I am hopeful that Mark's time pressure and my more active pieces can create a winning opportunity. I finally see the light at the end of the tunnel after picking up a couple of Mark's pawns and cutting off his king. As I begin to relax with time and material on my side, I quickly decide to trade off rooks only to realize too late that it turned my win into a draw.

61.Kb4 c3 62.Kb3 Ke3 63.Kc2 Kd4 64.a5 Ba3 65.a6 Bc5 66.Bc8 Kc4 67.Be6+ Kb4 68.Bc8 Bd4 69.Bf5 Kb5 70.Bc8 Kc4 71.Bf5 Ba7 72.Be6+ Kd4 73.Bf5 Kc4 74.Be6+ Kb4 75.Bf5 Bd4 76.Bc8 Kb5 77.Bb7 g4 78.hxg4 h3 79.Bc8 h2 80.g5 h10

Mark is down to seconds left on his clock and has no time to find any subtle moves. I feel like I have one last shot if I can find a way to draw his bishop off the b8-h3 diagonal. However, I don't have much time either so I am mostly in trial and error mode. Finally, the bishop comes off the key diagonal, and I use my time to work out the win. Whew!

81.g6 0-1

Round III

The players with 3 city championships include a couple of National Masters. Jim Burden opted for the fast approach and became the 1st and only back-to-back champion by rattling off 3 titles in a row in the late 80s and early 90s a la the Chicago Bulls of the same era. However, Richard "Buck" Buchanan followed up Jim's performance with the slow method, waiting close to 10 years between each of his titles.

3x Champions (2):

1989 Jim Burden

1990 Jim Burden

1991 Jim Burden

1992 Richard Buchanan

2003 Richard Buchanan

2012 Richard Buchanan

In round 3, I move up to the top board and remain as one of the 3 players with all victories (2.0). I am guessing that I might have a shot at another title now, as the top seed NM Josh Bloomer suffered a loss in the second round, leaving me a slightly easier task of beating the #2 and #3 seeds for the title. However, I have to face the #2 seed, Imre Barlay, right away. We have played 6 times in USCF-rated tournaments and have an equal result (2 wins, 2 losses, 2 draws). So, I figure I have a 50/50 shot to get the win.

I feel I can increase my chances with a little preparation. So, I call on my preparation partner, Tim Brennan. As the author of the Tactics Time books, he has collected a huge database of games from Colorado chess players. Unfortunately, the clearest idea I can glean from the games is that I should not play like Rhett Langseth does against Imre. As Imre's most common foe, Rhett has only 1 win in 10 tries. So, I don't go into the game with a good idea of what to do.

Paul Anderson Imre Barlay

CSCC Championship Colorado Springs / October 22, 2013

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Be7 4.Nf3 Nf6 5.Bg5 Nbd7 6.e3 h6 7.Bh4 0–0 8.Rc1 b6 9.cxd5 exd5 10.Bd3 Bb7

We remain in the book line of the Queen's Gambit Declined. I feel this favors Imre with his years of experience and much deeper knowledge of chess openings.

11.0–0 Ne4 12.Bxe7 Qxe7 13.Qb3 Nxc3 14.Rxc3 c5 15.Qa3 Rfe8 16.Bb5 c4 17.Qa4 Red8 18.Bxd7 Qxd7 19.Qxd7 Rxd7 20.a4 f6

I thought that the c4 pawn push might become a liability in the endgame and figure it is fine for me to trade off queens and try to find a plan to take advantage of it by creating a passed pawn on d4 or an isolated pawn on d5. However, my ideas are more fantasy than anything concrete.

21.Ra1 Rdd8 22.Ne1 Bc8 23.Nc2 Bf5 24.Nb4 Kf7 25.Kf1 a5 26.Na2 Rdb8 27.Nc1 b5 28.axb5 Rxb5 29.b3 cxb3 30.Rxb3 Rab8

I was having a hard time deciding where I wanted to put my knight, but I didn't want to trade it off. I felt that the knight to b4 and the king to f1 put the game in Imre's favor, as I didn't realize the problems with the pawn attack on a5. All my pieces seem to be getting in each other's way, and I am just hoping to hold off possible mating threats.

31.Rba3 Rc8 32.Nb3 Bd3+ 33.Ke1 Rc2 34.Nd2 Bc4 35.Nxc4 dxc4 36.R3a2 Rxa2 37.Rxa2 f5 38.f3 Ke6 39.e4 fxe4 40.fxe4 Rb3

I am thrilled to have survived his invasion and begin to think maybe I can still win this and hold on to my shot at the title. However, time is a huge factor now for both of us. I was hoping to keep him behind in time and hope for a time pressure blunder. Imre's clock went under 5 minutes first, but I quickly dropped below him trying to figure out how to save my connected passed pawns. I still felt a draw would ruin my chances at the title and ignored Imre's draw offer. After a few more pointless moves, I came to my senses and realized that my only choices were going to be a loss, due to pride, or a draw, with humility, and focus on winning 2nd place.

41.Ke2 Rd3 42.d5+ Ke5 43.Rxa5 Kxe4 44.Rc5 Rxd5 45.Rxc4+ Ke5 46.Rc7 Kf6 47.Rc6+ ½-½

Round IV

The player with the most Colorado Springs City Championships and only 4-time champion is Dan Avery. Dan was a club regular in the late 90s and early 2000s. He won 3 titles in my 1st four years at the club and added his 4th a couple years ago, becoming the 1st player to win titles in 3 different decades.

4x Champions (1):

1997 Dan Avery

1998 Dan Avery

2000 Dan Avery

2011 Dan Avery

In the final round, I remained on board 1, despite the draw with Imre. I still had a chance at the title, but I had to beat Dan to even have a shot at the crown. A draw or a loss would knock me out of contention. A win could leave me and Imre tied for 1st should he win as well. However, Imre took a bye in the final round and made the game between Dan and me the deciding factor. In Dan's past 4 title runs, he had beaten me on his way to victory. In my only title run, I had beaten Dan. Now it was down to the 2 of us in the final round with the title on the line for the 1st time. Dan could claim his 5th title, or I would become a repeat champion.

After gaining little from my preparation for Imre, I opted to just play the game against Dan by reliving my 2010 victory and ignoring the 2011 debacle.

Dan Avery Paul Anderson

CSCC Championship Colorado Springs / October 29, 2013

1.d4 c6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Be3 Nd7 6.h3 a6 7.Nf3 b5 8.a3 Bb7 9.Be2 Rc8 10.0–0 Qc7

In 2010, I had won with the Black pieces, but, in 2011, I lost with the Black pieces. So, I figured it would probably be an endgame that decided the outcome and not an opening mistake. The only thing I wanted from the opening was to encourage Dan to castle kingside and do so myself.

11.Rc1 Qb8 12.Qd2 Ngf6 13.e5 dxe5 14.dxe5 Nxe5 15.Nxe5 Qxe5 16.Bf4 Qe6 17.Rfe1 Rd8 18.Qc2 Qc8 19.Bf3 e6 20.Ne4 Nxe4

I was just about to achieve my goal of kingside castle when Dan goes on the attack. The pawn push to e5 forces me to take the material or suffer a hideous position. I am just hoping that I have not missed anything with my king and queen in the center. Fortunately, I can trade off some more material, hold my pawn, and get my queen out of the center.

21.Qxe4 0–0 22.cxb5 axb5 23.Rc2 Qa8 24.Qe3 Bd4 25.Qe2 c5 26.Bxb7 Qxb7 27.Be5 Rd5 28.Bxd4 cxd4 29.Qd3 Rc8 30.Rec1 Rxc2

I finally get to castle still up a pawn. I just need to activate my light bishop, and the extra pawn is going to amount to something. When I see the opportunity to activate my dark bishop to d4 and push the c5 pawn, I realize the winning chances have swung heavily in my favor. Dan is going to be fighting for a draw. However, that is all he needs to get the title.

31.Rxc2 Qd7 32.f4 Kg7 33.Rd2 Qc7 34.g3 Qc4 35.Kf2 Kf6 36.Ke2 h5 37.Rc2 Qxd3+ 38.Kxd3 Kf5 39.Rf2 f6 40.Rf3 g5

I fix my rook behind my passed pawn and look to trade off the queens. Once the queens come off, I can activate my king and begin to press my kingside pawn advantage, looking for an opportunity to gain a second pawn.

41.fxg5+ Kxg5 42.Rf4 e5 43.h4+ Kg6 44.Rf2 Rc5 45.Ke4 Rc1 46.Rf3 Re1+ 47.Kd5 Re3 48.Rf2 Kf7 49.Rc2 Rxg3 50.Rc7+ Kg6

I try limit any activity Dan's rook can get, but I finally see an opportunity to get the second pawn with my king in a relatively safe location.

51.Ke6 Rg4 52.Rf7 Rf4 53.Rf8 e4 54.Rg8+ Kh7 55.Kf7 Rg4 56.Rd8 e3 57.Kxf6 e2 58.Rd7+ Kh6 59.Re7 Rf4+ 0-1

Dan makes one last ditch effort to find a perpetual check and even offers the draw on move 55 with 53 seconds left on his clock. Of course, Dan has to scream the draw offer, as I still have Judas Priest's, "You Have Another Thing Comin" blaring in my headphones. Peter Barlay said, "It was the loudest draw offer I've ever heard." I didn't realize that I had left myself only one winning move, but I found it.

Video link: http://tinyurl.com/lq88g32





From India With Love

by Joe Fromme, Jr.

The chess community of India produced unquestionably the most entertaining World Championship match since Fischer vs. Spassky, Reyjavik Iceland 1972. The driving force of this huge effort deserves special mention of a brilliant, incredibly accomplished, and distinguished lady. Her name is Selvi J. Jayalalithaa who is the Honorable Chief Minister of the State of Tamil Nadu. It was her photograph prominently displayed onstage during the match. My sincerest gratitude to her for this colossal promotion of chess worldwide.

Long ago as a child in Boulder, Colorado, I gathered my pocket change to purchase a newspaper because of a single article about the "Match of the Century". It felt super cool to get my hands on the printed moves of a world championship game being played a million miles away in a place called Iceland. Now, some forty years later, I finally would witness technology provide something better than frozen pizza.

The World Chess Championship 2013 in Chennai India was not only a world class spectacle, it was an experience.

Immediate most obvious was the immense clear glass soundproof barrier separating the playing stage from the spectator area. It surely must have pleased the players that so much work went into providing absolute quiet for their games. Well done organizers and workers! Both players enjoyed the same refreshment area in a spirit of cordially demonstrating proper behavior being a good omen for the match. I proudly salute the Indian effort in displaying the best chess show in history.

The commentary team was superb, but also fortunately the move by move comments was geared for mass entertainment instead of the so called experts who refuse to exist without infernal data bases and over inflated egos. Former World Champion Susan Polgar delivered clear relevant observations with her usual professionalism and beautiful charm. She is indeed as pleasant on screen as she is in person. Grandmaster Ramesh was the embodiment of good manners, intelligent observations, but also having had Viswanathan as a mentor, he

could fill in all the small facts regarding the Champion and his contributions to chess in India. International Master Tania Sochdev's most interesting alternative ideas and infectious laughter was the sublime tonic for knocking any dust, if any, off the show. International master Laurence Trent showed decent analyis but his self deprecating humor was priceless. Some 200 million viewers in 48 countries! That speaks for itself.

Awakening for every game at 2:00am was slightly inconvenient, however, once ensconced comfortably by the fireside with my Linus blanket, black coffee and laptop, I felt in my heart and soul that life did not get any better than this. I had traveled long in space time from that little boy in the green park clutching print moves, to seeing the world's best chess players LIVE! My most sacred praises to the Hindu God Shiva for making this my reality! Congratulations to World Chess Champion Magnus Carlsen of Norway. My complete admiration to five times World Champion Viswanathan Anand for being a chess legend.



From a Land Far Away

by Grandmaster Tejas Bakre

It has been a great pleasure playing in the *Bobby Fischer Memorial* in Palmer Lake, Colorado the last two years. A tournament run by Joe Fromme from the heart. Very few organizers in the world run a tournament with so much passion and heart into it. Hence, its always wonderful to be a part of this tournament. It is always held at such a beautiful location that I always feel obliged to create something new on the board.

Ryan Swerdlin (1932) GM Tejas Bakre (2514) Palmer Lake, CO May 4, 2013

1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.d3 h6!? I was playing a young kid and wanted to take him out of opening preparation. The position is a reversed Sicilian from the

English opening (4...d5 5.cxd5 Nxd5=).

5.Nd5 My young opponent wants to prevent the freeing move d5 for black. In general it would have been ok but here Black will be developing very fast and has chances of taking the initiative.

5...Bc5 6.e3 0–0 7.d4? White immediately wants to capture the center. Here is an idea which I discovered which I checked hasn't occurred in any of the previous games played. 7.Be2 d6 8.0–0 would have been a safer option and I am glad he didn't choose that as I would not have been able to play the beautiful idea.

7...exd4 8.exd4 Nxd4!! Here I remember neither my opponent nor the onlookers understood what was going on. Everyone thought that after 40 hours of an arduous journey that I am jet lagged and tired and have blundered a piece! The reason is, it's very rare to have a combination as early as move 8 in positional openings like the English.

9.Nxd4 Nxd5 10.cxd5 Qh4! 11.Be3 Re8! This was the beautiful trick. Now due to

the pin on the e-file the knight on d4 is hanging and due to the diagonal pin, the bishop on e3 is hanging. White is unable to save the piece and so Black becomes a pawn up with a completely winning position.

12.Nc2 12.Nf5 Bb4+ 13.Ke2 Qg4+-+; 12.Nf3 Rxe3+ 13.Be2 Rxf3 14.gxf3 Bb4+ 15.Kf1 d6-+

12...Bxe3 13.Nxe3 Rxe3+ 14.Be2 c5 The rest is just a formality.

15.Qd2 Re5 16.d6 b6 17.0–0 Bb7 18.Rad1 Rae8 19.Rfe1 Bxg2! 20.Kxg2 Rg5+ 21.Kh1 Qxf2 22.Bg4 Rxe1+ 23.Qxe1 Qxe1+ 24.Rxe1 Rxg4 0–1

The beauty of chess is in creating ideas. Such ideas make chess beautiful. In to-day's era it is extremely difficult to create new ideas as the general level of defense has gone up compared to previous years. I am really thankful to Joe Fromme and his friends for inviting me to this wonderful tournament.



Games From the 2013 Colorado Open

by Richard "Buck" Buchanan

As promised from the previous issue of the Informant, here are some games for your enjoyment.

Jerry Casteel (1891) Chris Peterson (2163)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 b6 3.Nc3 Bb7 4.Qc2 e6 5.Bg5 d6 6.Nf3 Be7 7.g3 Nbd7 8.Bg2 c5 9.d5 h6 10.dxe6 fxe6 11.Qg6+ Kf8 12.Bf4 e5 13.Bd2 Qe8 14.Qf5 Qh5 15.Qxh5 Nxh5 16.0–0 e4 17.Ne1 Ne5 18.b3 Nf6 19.Nc2 d5 20.cxd5 Nxd5 21.Nxe4 Rd8 22.Rad1 Kf7 23.Ne3 Nxe3 24.Bxe3 Ba6 25.Nc3 Ng4 26.Bd5+ Kg6 27.Be4+ Kf7 28.Bd5+ Kg6 29.Be4+ Kf7 30.Bd5+ ½-½

Phil Brown (1769) Brad Lundstrom (1993)

1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 g6 3.g3 Bg7 4.Bg2 0-0 5.Nf3 d6 6.0-0 e5 7.d3 Nbd7 8.Rb1 a5 9.a3 Nc5 10.e4 a4 11.Re1 Bd7 12.d4 exd4 13.Nxd4 Re8 14.Ndb5 Bg4 15.f3 Be6 16.Bf1 Nfd7 17.Be3 f5 18.Bd4 Bxd4+ 19.Nxd4 fxe4 20.Nxe6 Rxe6 21.Nxe4 Nxe4 22.Rxe4 Rxe4 23.Qd5+ Kg7 24.fxe4 Nc5 25.e5 Qg5 26.exd6 Qxd5 27.cxd5 cxd6 28.Bb5 Rf8 29.Rf1 Rxf1+ 30.Kxf1 Kf6 31.Ke2 Ke5 32.Bc4 Kd4 33.Ba2 Nb3 34.Bxb3 axb3 35.Kd2 g5 36.h3 h5 37.h4 g4 38.Ke2 Ke4 39.a4 b6 0-1

Victor Huang (1794) Mike Madsen (1572)

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.g3 Nc6 4.Bg2 Nf6 5.d3 g6 6.0–0 Bg7 7.Nbd2 0–0 8.Nh4 Ne5 9.f4 Neg4 10.Ndf3 Qb6 11.Qe2 c4+ 12.Kh1 cxd3 13.cxd3 h5 14.f5 gxf5 15.Nxf5 Bxf5 16.exf5 Nh7 17.h3 Ne5 18.Nxe5 Bxe5 19.Qxh5 Nf6 20.Qh4 Qd4 21.Qxd4 Bxd4 22.Bh6 Rfd8 23.g4 Rd7 24.Rab1 Rc8 25.Rfc1 Rdc7 26.Rxc7 Rxc7 27.Rc1 Rxc1+ 28.Bxc1 b6 29.b4 Nd7 30.g5 Ne5 31.Bf1 Nf3 32.Be2 Ne5 33.Kg2 Kg7 34.h4 f6 35.g6 Nxg6 36.fxg6 Kxg6 37.Kg3 a6 38.Kf4 e5+ 39.Ke4 f5+ 40.Kd5 f4 41.Bg4 a5 42.bxa5 bxa5 43.Bxf4 Bf2 44.Bg5 Bc5 45.Be7 1–0

Luke Stephens (1725) Tim Kohler (1525)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.e4 Nxc3 6.bxc3 Bg7 7.Bc4 0–0 8.Ne2 c5 9.Be3 cxd4 10.cxd4 Nc6 11.0–0 Kh8 12.Kh1 b6 13.Qd2 Bb7 14.f3 Qd6 15.Rfd1 Rad8 16.Rab1 f6 17.Nf4 Bc8 18.Rbc1 e5 19.dxe5 Qxe5 20.Bd5 Ne7 21.Nd3 Qd6 22.Bf4 Qd7 23.Rc7 Qe8 24.Nb4 Nxd5 25.exd5 Rd7 26.d6 Qf7 27.Qd5 Kg8 28.Qxf7+ Rdxf7 29.d7 Bxd7 30.Rdxd7 Re8 31.h4 Rxd7 32.Rxd7 a5 33.Nd5 b5 34.Bc7 a4 35.Rd8 Rxd8 36.Bxd8 Kf7 37.Ba5 Bf8 38.Nc3 b4 39.Nxa4 Ke6 1–0

Ryan Snodgrass (1723) Javier Hollines (1475)

1.d4 c5 2.d5 e6 3.c4 Nf6 4.Bg5 Qa5+ 5.Nc3 Qb4 6.Qb3 Qxb3 7.axb3 Be7 8.Bxf6 Bxf6 9.Ra2 Bxc3+ 10.bxc3 d6 11.Nf3 0-0 12.g3 Re8 13.Bg2 e5 14.e3 a5 15.0-0 Nd7 16.Rfa1 b6 17.Nd2 Bb7 18.Ne4 Rab8 19.Nxd6 Red8 20.Nb5 Nf6 21.b4 axb4 22.cxb4 cxb4 23.Rb2 Rdc8 24.Nd6 Rc7 25.Nxb7 Rcxb7 26.Rxb4 Kf8 27.Rab1 e4 28.f3 exf3 29.Bxf3 Re7 30.Kf2 Nd7 31.Ke2 Rbe8 32.R4b3 g5 33.Bg4 Ne5 34.d6 Ra7 35.Bf5 Nxc4 36.d7 Rd8 37.Rc3 Ne5 38.Rc8 Ke7 39.Rxd8 Kxd8 40.Rxb6 Nxd7 41.Rd6 Ke8 42.Bxh7 Ra2+ 43.Rd2 Rxd2+ 44.Kxd2 Ne5 45.Bf5 Ke7 46.e4 Nf3+ 47.Ke2 Nxh2 48.Kf2 g4 49.Kg2 Nf3 50.Bxg4 Ng5 51.Bf5 Kf6 52.Kf2 Ke5 53.Ke3 f6 54.Bg6 Ne6 55.Bh7 Ng7 ½-½

Aidan Marco (1427) Dennis Bolshakov (1678)

1.e4 c5 2.f4 Nc6 3.Nf3 g6 4.Nc3 Bg7 5.Bb5 Nd4 6.Bd3 d6 7.0–0 Bg4 8.h3 Nxf3+ 9.Rxf3 Bxf3 10.Qxf3 Nf6 11.Bb5+ Nd7 12.Qg4 e6 13.f5 exf5 14.exf5 0–0 15.fxg6 Ne5 16.gxh7+ Kh8 17.Qh5 Qb6 18.a4 c4+ 19.Kh1 a6 20.a5 Qf2 21.Ba4 Qf1+ 22.Kh2 Ng6 23.Nd1 Bd4 24.Ne3 Qf4+ 25.Kg1 Be5 26.Ng4 Qd4+ 27.Ne3 Nf4 28.Qf3 Kxh7 29.c3 Qc5 30.Bc2+ Kh8 31.Qg4 Rfd8 32.Qh4+ Kg8 33.Qh7+ Kf8 34.Qh6+ Ke8 35.Ba4+ Ke7 36.Qg5+ Kf8 37.Kh1 Ng6 ½–½

William Wolf (1463) Daniel Herman (1571)

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nc3 d5 3.e4 Nxe4 4.Nxe4 dxe4 5.f3 exf3 6.Nxf3 Bg4 7.Bc4 e6 8.Bf4 Nc6 9.c3 Bd6 10.Bxd6 cxd6 11.0–0

d5 12.Bb3 0-0 13.Qd3 Bf5 14.Qe3 Na5 15.Ba4 Nc4 16.Qe2 Qa5 17.Nh4 Be4 18.Bb3 b5 19.Rae1 Qb6 20.Rf2 a5 21.Qh5 a4 22.Bxc4 bxc4 23.a3 Ra7 24.Re3 g6 25.Qh6 f5 26.Rg3 Rff7 27.Rh3 Rg7 28.Nf3 Bxf3 29.Rhxf3 Qb8 30.Qg5 Rgf7 31.h4 Rab7 32.h5 Rg7 33.Qf6 Rb6 34.h6 Rf7 35.Qg5 Rxb2 36.Rxb2 Qxb2 37.Qd8+ Rf8 38.Qe7 Qc1+ 39.Kf2 Qxh6 40.Qxe6+ Rf7 41.Qxd5 Qd2+ 42.Kg1 Qe1+ 43.Kh2 Qe2 44.Qa8+ Kg7 45.Qxa4 Rb7 46.Qa8 Rb2 47.Qa7+ Kf6 48.Qa6+ Kg5 49.Rg3+ Kh4 50.Qf6+ Kh5 51.Qg5# 1-0

Matthew Miller (1300) Randy Schine (1558)

1.d4 g6 2.e4 Bg7 3.Nf3 d6 4.Bc4 Nf6 5.Nc3 0-0 6.0-0 Nbd7 7.e5 dxe5 8.dxe5 Ne8 9.e6 fxe6 10.Bxe6+ Kh8 11.Ng5 Nd6 12.f4 Nc5 13.f5 Bxe6 14.fxe6 Rxf1+ 15.Qxf1 Qf8 16.Nf7+ Kg8 17.Qe2 Nxf7 18.exf7+ Qxf7 19.Bg5 Re8 20.Rf1 Qe6 21.Qxe6+ Nxe6 22.Be3 Bxc3 23.bxc3 b6 24.Re1 Ng7 25.Bg5 e6 26.g4 e5 27.Bf6 e4 28.Bg5 Re5 29.Bf4 Rc5 30.Re3 Rc4 31.Kg2 Ne6 32.Bh6 g5 33.Kg3 Kf7 34.h4 Kg6 35.hxg5 Nxg5 36.Bf8 Ne6 37.Ba3 Nc5 38.Kf4 Na4 39.Rxe4 Rxe4+ 40.Kxe4 Nxc3+ 41.Kf4 Nxa2 42.Be7 c5 43.Bd6 Nb4 44.Bb8 a6 45.Ba7 c4 46.Ke4 b5 47.c3 Na2 48.Kd4 Kg5 49.Kc5 Nxc3 50.Kb6 b4 51.Kxa6 b3 52.Bd4 b2 0-1

Andrew Lin (1449) Samuel Kater (1018)

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e5 Nfd7 6.Bxe7 Qxe7 7.Qg4 g6 8.Bd3 c5 9.Nge2 Nc6 10.Bb5 Nb6 11.Bxc6+ bxc6 12.h4 h5 13.Qg5 Qxg5 14.hxg5 cxd4 15.Nxd4 c5 16.Ndb5 Rb8 17.Nd6+ Ke7 18.Ncb5 Nc4 19.Nxc4 Rxb5 20.Na3 Rxb2 21.0–0 Ba6 22.Rfb1 Rxb1+ 23.Rxb1 h4 24.Rb3 Rh5 25.f4 Rh8 26.Rh3 Be2 27.g3 Rb8 28.gxh4 Rb2 29.Rb3 Rxb3 30.axb3 Kd7 31.Kf2 Bg4 32.Ke3 Kc6 33.c3 a5 34.Kd2 d4 35.c4 Kb6 36.Nb5 a4 37.bxa4 Ka5 38.Nd6 Kxa4 39.Nxf7 Kb3 40.Nd6 Bh5 41.Kd3 Ka2 42.Ne4 1–0

Jordan Dorchuck (1278) Caled Al-Adsani (687)

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.c4 e6 5.c5 b6 6.b4 a5 7.Qa4 Nd7 8.Qxc6 axb4 9.a3 bxc5 10.Bb5 Ra7 11.Nf3 Bxb1 12.Rxb1 bxa3 13.0–0 Ne7 14.Qxc5 a2 15.Ra1 Nc8

16.Qc2 Ra5 17.Bd3 Be7 18.Bxh7 g6 19.Bxg6 fxg6 20.Qxg6+ Kf8 21.Bh6+ Rxh6 22.Qxh6+ Kg8 23.Qxe6+ Kh7 24.Rfc1 Ba3 25.Ng5+ Qxg5 26.Qxd7+ Ne7 27.Qh3+ Kg7 28.Rc2 Qg6 29.Rcxa2 Rb5 30.Rf1 Rb1 31.Qxa3 Rxf1+ 32.Kxf1 Qb1+ 33.Ke2 Qe4+ 34.Qe3 Qg4+ 35.f3 Qxg2+ 36.Qf2 1-0

Frank Atwood (1141) K. W. Cowin (Unrated)

1.e4 e6 2.Nf3 g6 3.d4 d5 4.e5 h6 5.Nc3 a6 6.a3 c5 7.dxc5 Bxc5 8.Be3 Bxe3 9.fxe3 Ne7 10.Qd2 0-0 11.0-0-0 b5 12.e4 Kg7 13.exd5 Nxd5 14.Nxd5 Qxd5 15.Qxd5 exd5 16.Rxd5 Be6 17.Rc5 Nd7 18.Rc7 Rfc8 19.Rxc8 Rxc8 20.Bd3 Rc5 21.Re1 a5 22.b4 axb4 23.axb4 Rc7 24.Bxb5 Nf8 25.Kb2 g5 26.h3 Bd5 27.Rd1 Bb7 28.c4 Ne6 29.c5 Nxc5 30.bxc5 Rxc5 31.Ba4 Bxf3 32.gxf3 Rxe5 33.Bc6 Rf5 34.Be4 Rf4 35.Kc2 f5 36.Bd5 h5 37.Rg1 Kf6 38.Kd3 Rh4 39.Rh1 Ke5 40.Bc6 g4 41.fxg4 hxg4 42.hxg4 Rxh1 43.Bxh1 ½-½

Randy Canney (2238) DuWayne Langseth (1965)

1.Nf3 d5 2.g3 e6 3.Bg2 Nf6 4.0–0 Be7 5.d3 0–0 6.Nbd2 Nbd7 7.e4 dxe4 8.dxe4 e5 9.Qe2 c5 10.b3 Qc7 11.Bb2 Ne8 12.Nc4 f6 13.Ne3 Nb6 14.a4 a5 15.c4 Bd7 16.Bc3 Nc8 17.Nd5 Qd8 18.Rad1 Bd6 19.Rd2 Na7 20.Nh4 Nc6 21.Nf5 Nd4 22.Qd1 Bc6 23.Nxd6 Nxd6 24.f4 Bxd5 25.cxd5 N6f5 26.Rd3 Nd6 27.Bh3 b6 28.Be6+ Kh8 29.f5 Nxe4 30.Bxd4 cxd4 31.g4 Nc5 32.Rh3 Qe7 33.Rff3 Nxe6 34.fxe6 h6 35.Qd3 Ra7 36.Rh5 Qa3 37.Kg2 Qb2+ 38.Rf2 Qc1 39.d6 Qe3 40.Qxe3 dxe3 41.Re2 Re8 42.d7 1–0

Lior Lapid (2291) Jacob Ornelas (1684)

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 e6 3.f4 Nf6 4.e5 Nd5 5.Nxd5 exd5 6.d4 d6 7.Nf3 c4 8.b3 dxe5 9.fxe5 Bb4+ 10.Bd2 c3 11.Be3 Bf5 12.Bd3 Be4 13.0–0 0–0 14.Ng5 Nc6 15.Nxe4 dxe4 16.Bxe4 Qb6 17.Rf3 Rfd8 18.Bxh7+ Kxh7 19.Rh3+ Kg8 20.Qh5 Kf8 21.Rf1 Qc7 22.e6 f6 23.Bf4 Qc8 24.Qf7# 1–0

Andre Patin (1779) Michael Ginat (2201)

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.f4 Bg7 5.Nf3 0–0 6.Be3 c6 7.Qd2 Bg4 8.0–0–0

Nbd7 9.Be2 b5 10.h3 Bxf3 11.Bxf3 Nb6 12.b3 b4 13.Ne2 a5 14.g4 Qc7 15.g5 Nfd7 16.e5 Nd5 17.Bf2 Rfb8 18.Kb1 a4 19.h4 N7b6 20.h5 e6 21.exd6 Qxd6 22.f5 exf5 23.Bg3 f4 24.Bh2 Re8 25.h6 Bf8 26.Rhf1 axb3 27.cxb3 Rxe2 28.Bxe2 Nc3+ 29.Ka1 Qe6 30.Rf2 Qxb3 31.Bf3 Rxa2+ 32.Qxa2 Nxa2 33.Bxf4 Nc3 0-1

Kevin Apper (1902) Matthew Campbell (2000)

1.e4 e5 2.f4 Bc5 3.Nf3 d6 4.Bc4 Nc6 5.c3 Nf6 6.d4 exd4 7.cxd4 Bb4+ 8.Bd2 Bxd2+ 9.Nbxd2 0-0 10.0-0 d5 11.exd5 Nxd5



12.Ne5 Nxe5 13.fxe5 Ne3 14.Rxf7 Nxd1 15.Rd7+ Kh8 16.Rxd8 Rxd8 17.Rxd1 Rxd4 18.Rf1 Bg4 19.Rf2 Rad8 20.e6 Bxe6 21.Bxe6 Rxd2 22.Rf7 Rxb2 23.h4 c5 24.Bd5 h6 0–1

Gary Hewitt (1800) Scott Lett (2130)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.Nf3 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nc6 5.Nc3 e5 6.Ndb5 Bc5 7.Nd6+ Ke7 8.Nf5+ Kf8 9.e4 d6 10.Ne3 Nd4 11.Bd3 h5 12.f3 h4 13.Ned5 Ne6 14.Be3 Bxe3 15.Nxe3 Nh5 16.g3 hxg3 17.hxg3 Qg5 18.Nf1 Rh6 19.Qd2 Nd4 20.Kf2 Qf6 21.Be2 Be6 22.f4 Nxf4 23.Rxh6 gxh6 24.gxf4 Qh4+ 25.Ke3 Qh3+ ½-½ Qh4+ 27.Ke3 Qh3+ ½-½

Jack Woehr (1877) Phil Brown (1769)

1.g3 Nf6 2.Bg2 Nc6 3.c4 b6 4.Nc3 Bb7 5.d4 e6 6.e4 Na5 7.Nge2 Be7 8.Qd3 d6 9.0–0 0–0 10.b4 Nc6 11.Rb1 Nb8 12.e5 Bxg2 13.exf6 Bxf1 14.fxe7 Bxe2 15.exd8Q Bxd3 16.Qxc7 Bxb1 17.Nxb1 (Well, that was certainly fun.) 17...Na6 18.Qxd6 Rfd8 19.Qe5 Nxb4 20.Bg5 Nc6 21.Qe4 Rdc8 22.Nd2 h6 23.Bf4 a6 24.d5

exd5 25.cxd5 Nb8 26.Bxb8 Raxb8 27.Nf3 b5 28.Nd4 a5 29.Nf5 b4 30.Qg4 g6 31.Nxh6+ Kf8 32.d6 a4 33.Qd4 Ke8 34.Qe5+ Kd7 35.Ng4 b3 36.Nf6+ Kd8 37.Qe8# 1–0

Randy Schine (1588) Suhaas Narayanan (1747)

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.a3 c5 4.dxc5 Bxc5 5.Nc3 d4 6.Ne4 Be7 7.Nf3 Nc6 8.Bf4 Nf6 9.Nxf6+ Bxf6 10.Qc2 e5 11.Bg3 0-0 12.e3 Qa5+ 13.Qd2 dxe3 14.fxe3 Qxd2+ 15.Nxd2 Bf5 16.Be2 e4 17.0-0 Bg6 18.Rab1 a5 19.Nb3 b6 20.c5 bxc5 21.Nxc5 Rfd8 22.Be1 Rd5 23.Na4 Bg5 24.Bf2 Rd2 25.Bb5 Ne5 26.Nc3 Rb8 27.a4 Ng4 28.Nd1 Rbd8 29.Re1 Rc2 30.Re2 Rdd2 31.Rxd2 Rxd2 32.Be1 Rc2 33.h3 Nxe3 34.Nxe3 Bxe3+ 35.Kf1 Bb6 36.b4 axb4 37.Rxb4 h6 38.Rc4 Ra2 39.Bc6 e3 0-1

Dean Brown (1632) Luke Stephens (1725)

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 d6 3.f4 Nc6 4.Bb5 a6 5.Bxc6+ bxc6 6.Nf3 d5 7.d4 e6 8.0–0 Bb7 9.Re1 Qa5 10.Be3 Nf6 11.dxc5 Bxc5 12.Bxc5 Qxc5+ 13.Qd4 Qxd4+ 14.Nxd4 Nxe4 15.Nxe4 dxe4 16.Nb3 f5 17.Nc5 Rb8 18.b3 Ke7 19.Rad1 Bc8 20.Kf2 Rb5 21.Na4 e5 22.c4 Ra5 23.g3 exf4 24.gxf4 g5 25.fxg5 Re5 26.Ke3 Rd8 27.Rxd8 Kxd8 28.Kf4 Re8 29.Nb2 Kc7 30.Nd1 Rd8 31.Ke3 Rd3+ 32.Ke2 f4 33.Nf2 Re3+ 34.Kd2 Rxe1 35.Kxe1 e3 36.Nd3 f3 37.h4 f2+ 38.Nxf2 exf2+ 39.Kxf2 Bf5 40.c5 a5 0–1

Dennis Bolshakov (1678) Ryan Beckett (1214)

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.d3 g6 5.g3 Nc6 6.Bg2 Bg7 7.h3 0–0 8.Be3 Rb8 9.Qd2 b5 10.0–0 e6 11.e5 b4 12.Na4 Nd5 13.exd6 Nxe3 14.Qxe3 Qxd6 15.Qxc5 Qxc5 16.Nxc5 Bxb2 17.Rab1 Bc3 18.Ng5 Rb5 19.Nge4 Nd4 20.Kh1 f5 21.Nxc3 Rxc5 22.Rxb4 Nxc2 23.Na4 Ra5 24.Rb2 Rxa4 25.Rxc2 Ba6 26.Rd1 Rd8 27.Rc6 e5 28.Re1 Rxa2 29.Rxe5 Bxd3 30.Rc7 Be4 31.Ree7 Rxf2 32.Rg7+ Kf8 33.Rgf7+ Kg8 34.Rg7+ ½–½

Feamir Katana (1402) Gene Lucas (1629)

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Nf6 4.0–0 Be7 5.Nc3 0–0 6.Re1 h6 7.a3 d6 8.d4 exd4 9.Nxd4 Bd7 10.h3 a6 11.f4 b6 12.Nd5

Nxd4 13.Nxe7+ Qxe7 14.Qxd4 Be6 15.Bd2 Bxc4 16.Qxc4 Rfd8 17.e5 Ne8 18.e6 c6 19.f5 d5 20.Qg4 Kh7 21.Re2 d4 22.Rae1 f6 23.Qg6+ Kh8 24.Re4 Nd6 25.Rh4 Nc4 26.Bxh6 1–0

Matt Lasley (1529) Matthew Miller (1300)

1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.c3 dxc3 4.Nxc3 a6 5.Bc4 e6 6.Nf3 Qc7 7.Qe2 b5 8.Bb3 Bb7 9.0–0 Nf6 10.Be3 Nxe4 11.Rac1 Nxc3 12.Rxc3 Bxf3 13.Qxf3 Nc6 14.Bf4 Bd6 15.Bxd6 Qxd6 16.Rd1 Qe5 17.h4 Qf6 18.Qd3 Rd8 19.Qd6 e5 20.Qc7 Nd4 21.Re3 0–0 22.Rxe5 Nxb3 23.axb3 d6 24.Red5 Qxb2 25.Rxd6 Rxd6 26.Rxd6 Qa3 27.h5 Qa1+ 28.Kh2 Qe5+ 29.Kg1 Qxh5 30.Rd8 Qg5 31.Rxf8+ Kxf8 32.Qd6+ Ke8 33.Qxa6 Qc1+ 34.Kh2 Qf4+ 35.Kg1 Qe5 36.Qc6+ Ke7 37.Qb7+ Kf6 38.Qf3+ ½-½

IM Sandor Kustar (2353) Jesse Cohen (2187)

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.g3 b6 4.Bg2 Bb7 5.d4 Be7 6.0–0 0–0 7.Re1 d6 8.Nc3 Ne4 9.Qc2 Nxc3 10.Ng5 Ne4 11.Bxe4 Bxg5 12.Bxb7 Bxc1 13.Bxa8 Bg5 14.Qa4 a5 15.a3 Bf6 16.Rad1 c5 17.e3 Qc7 18.Be4 g6 19.Re2 Rc8 20.Rc2 Kf8 21.b4 axb4 22.axb4 cxb4 23.Qxb4 Nd7 24.Qb5 Be7 25.Ra1 Nf6 26.Bf3 d5 27.Rac1 Ba3 28.cxd5 Qxc2 29.Rxc2 Rxc2 30.dxe6 fxe6 31.Qb3 Rc1+ 32.Kg2 Be7 33.Qxe6 b5 34.e4 Ne8 35.Qe5 Rc4 36.Qh8+ Kf7 37.e5 1–0

Mark Krowczyk (1855) Lior Lapid (2291)

1.d4 e6 2.c4 Nf6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.a3 Bxc3+ 5.bxc3 b6 6.f3 Ba6 7.e4 Nc6 8.Bd3 Na5 9.Qe2 d5 10.cxd5 Bxd3 11.Qxd3 exd5 12.Bg5 h6 13.Bh4 g5 14.Bg3 Qe7 15.Be5 0-0-0 16.Ne2 dxe4 17.fxe4 Rhe8 18.0-0 Nd7 19.Qa6+ Kb8 20.Bxc7+ Kxc7 21.Ng3 Kb8 22.e5 Nxe5 23.dxe5 Rd7 24.Rae1 Qc5+ 25.Kh1 Rxe5 26.Ne4 Qe7 27.Rb1 Rxe4 28.Qxa5 Qe5 29.Qa6 Rh4 30.h3 Rd2 31.Rxb6+ axb6 32.Qxb6+ Kc8 33.Qc6+ Kd8 34.Qa8+ Ke7 35.Qb7+ Rd7 36.Qb1 Re4 37.c4 Kf8 38.c5 Re7 39.Qb6 Kg7 0-1

Michael Ginat (2201) Jason Loving (2060)

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.c4 Bg7 4.g3 0-0 5.Bg2 d6 6.Nc3 c6 7.0-0 a6 8.a4 a5 9.b3 Na6 10.e4 e5 11.h3 Re8 12.Be3 Nb4 13.Qd2 exd4 14.Nxd4 d5 15.cxd5 cxd5 16.e5 Rxe5 17.Bf4 Re7 18.Rad1 Be6 19.Rfe1 Qd7 20.Kh2 Rc8 21.Ncb5 Nc6 22.Bg5 Ree8 23.Qf4 Nxd4 24.Nxd4 Qc7 25.Qxc7 Rxc7 26.Bxf6 Bxf6 27.Nxe6 Rxe6 28.Bxd5 Rxe1 29.Rxe1 b6 30.Bc4 Rd7 31.Kg2 Rd2 32.Re3 Kg7 33.Rd3 Rxd3 ½-½

Marc Jimenez (2075) Jack Woehr (1877)

1.e4 d6 2.Nc3 g6 3.Nge2 Bg7 4.g3 c5 5.d3 Nc6 6.Bg2 Bd7 7.0–0 Rb8 8.h3 Nf6 9.f4 0–0 10.g4 h5 11.g5 Nh7 12.f5 Nd4 13.h4 Be5 14.Nf4 Bxf4 15.Bxf4 e5 16.Bd2 b5 17.Nd5 Bc6 18.Ne3 b4 19.c3 bxc3 20.bxc3 Nb5 21.Bf3 Nc7 22.Bxh5 gxh5 23.Qxh5 Be8 24.Qh6 Rb2 25.Rf2 Kh8 26.Nc4 Rb8 27.Rg2 Rg8 28.g6 fxg6 29.Bg5 Qd7 30.Bf6+ Rg7 31.fxg6 Bxg6 32.Rxg6 Rbg8 33.Nxd6 Ne6 34.Nf5 Qf7 35.Bxg7+ Nxg7 36.Qxh7+ 1–0

Jacob Ornelas (1684) Ryan Swerdlin (2017)

1.Nf3 d5 2.d3 c5 3.g3 Nc6 4.Bg2 e5 5.Nbd2 f5 6.e4 fxe4 7.dxe4 d4 8.0–0 Nf6 9.a4 Bd6 10.Nc4 Bc7 11.Bg5 0–0 12.h4 h6 13.Bxf6 Qxf6 14.Nh2 Be6 15.Nd2 Rad8 16.Ra3 c4 17.Rf3 Qe7 18.c3 Rfe8 19.Qe2 d3 20.Qd1 a6 21.b4 Nxb4 22.cxb4 Qxb4 23.Nb1 Ba5 24.Re3 Bb6 25.Rf3 Bd7 26.Qd2 Qxa4 27.Qc3 Ba5 28.Qa3 Qxa3 29.Nxa3 b5 30.Ra1 Bc3 31.Ra2 d2 0–1

Kevin Apper (1902) Andre Patin (1779)

1.e4 e5 2.f4 exf4 3.Bc4 Qh4+ 4.Kf1 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qh5 6.d4 g5 7.h4 Bg7 8.c3 Nf6 9.e5 Ne4 10.Kg1 g4 11.Nbd2 Ng3 12.Ng5 0-0 13.Rh2 d6 14.exd6 Bf5 15.dxc7 Nxd4 16.Nde4 Bxe4 17.cxd4 f3 18.Bf4 Ne2+ 19.Bxe2 fxe2 20.Qxe2 Bxd4+ 21.Kh1 Bc6 22.Rd1 Bb6 23.Rh3 Rae8 24.Be3 Bxc7 25.Rf1 Rxe3 26.Rxe3 Qxh4+ 27.Nh3 gxh3 28.Rff3 hxg2+ 29.Kxg2 Qh2+ 30.Kf1 Qh1+ 31.Kf2 Bxf3 32.Rxf3 Qh2+ 0-1

Luke Stephens (1725) Akshat Jain (1567)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Bg5 0–0 6.h3 h6 7.Be3 e5 8.d5 Nh5 9.Qd2 g5 10.h4 gxh4 11.Bxh6 Nd7 12.Nf3 Qf6 13.Bg5 Qg6 14.Nxh4 Qh7 15.Nf5 Nc5 16.g4 Bxf5 17.Rxh5 Nxe4 18.Nxe4 Qg6 19.Nf6+ Bxf6 20.Bxf6 Qxf6 21.Rxf5 Qh4 22.Rg5+ 1-0

Jonathan Buck (1695) Feamir Katana (1402)

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.e3 e6 5.Nc3 Be7 6.Bd3 dxc4 7.Bxc4 Nbd7 8.0–0 Nb6 9.Bd3 c5 10.Qc2 Nfd5 11.a3 g6 12.Nxd5 Nxd5 13.e4 Nf6 14.Bb5+ Bd7 15.Bxd7+ Nxd7 16.Rd1 Rc8 17.d5 Qb6 18.Bh6 Bf6 19.Qa4 Kd8 20.dxe6 Qxe6 21.Rxd7+ Qxd7 22.Rd1 Qxd1+ 23.Qxd1+ Bd4 24.Nxd4 cxd4 25.Qxd4+ Ke7 26.Bg5+ f6 27.Qxf6+ Kd7 28.Qd4+ Kc6 29.Qd5+ Kb6 30.Qd6+ Kb5 31.g3 b6 32.e5 Rhg8 33.Qd7+ Ka6 34.b4 b5 35.Be3 1–0

Gene Lucas (1629) Tim Kohler (1525)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.e3 Bg7
5.Nf3 Nc6 6.cxd5 Nxd5 7.Bc4 Nb6 8.Be2
0-0 9.a3 Re8 10.Bd2 e5 11.dxe5 Nxe5
12.0-0 Nbc4 13.Bc1 Be6 14.Nd4 c6
15.Nxe6 Rxe6 16.Qb3 Na5 17.Qc2 b5
18.Ne4 Nb7 19.Rd1 Qc7 20.Bd2 f5
21.Ng5 Rd6 22.Bc3 Nf7 23.Nxf7 Kxf7
24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.Qc3+ Kh6 26.Rxd6
Nxd6 27.Rc1 Rc8 28.Bf3 c5 29.h3 Qe7
30.Qc2 Qe5 31.Rd1 Ne4 32.Bxe4 fxe4
33.Rd7 a5 34.Qd2 a4 35.Rd5 Qf6 36.Qc2
Qe7 37.g4 g5 38.Qc3 Rc6 39.Re5 Qd6
40.Rxe4 Qd1+ 41.Kg2 Qd5 42.f3 b4
43.axb4 cxb4 44.Qxb4 Rc2+ 45.Kg3 Qc6
46.Qf8+ Kg6 47.Qf5+ 1-0

Spencer Shook (1512) Mike Madsen (1572)

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.f4 Bg7 7.Be3 0–0 8.h3 h5 9.Be2 Nc6 10.g4 Qb6 11.Qd2 Nxe4 12.Nxc6 Qxc6 13.Nxe4 Qxe4 14.0–0–0 Qa4 15.Kb1 Be6 16.a3 Rfc8 17.f5 Ba2+! 18.Kc1 Qb3 19.c3 Rxc3+ 20.Qxc3 Bxc3 0–1

Shirley Herman (975) Tyler Chase (1423)

1.d4 e5 2.c4 Nf6 3.e3 exd4 4.exd4 d5 5.Be2 Bb4+ 6.Bd2 Bxd2+ 7.Nxd2 0-0 8.Rc1 Be6 9.Ngf3 c6 10.Rc3 Re8 11.Qb3 Qd7 12.Ne5 Qc8 13.Ndf3 Nbd7 14.Bd3 Ng4 15.Ng5 Ngxe5 16.Bxh7+ Kh8 17.dxe5 Nxe5 18.Qc2 d4 19.Rg3 Bxc4 20.Bf5 Ng4+ 21.Kd1 d3 22.Rh3+ Nh6 23.Bxd3 Qg4+ 24.Nf3 Bxd3 25.Qc3 Be2+ 26.Kc1 Bxf3 27.Rxh6+ Kg8 28.gxf3 Qg5+ 29.Qd2 Qxd2+ 30.Kxd2 Rad8+ 31.Kc1 gxh6 ... 0–1

Lior Lapid (2291) Brad Lundstrom (1993)

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Nf6 5.Nxf6+ gxf6 6.c3 Bf5 7.Nf3 e6 8.g3 Bd6 9.Bg2 Be4 10.0–0 Nd7 11.Re1 f5 12.Nh4 Qf6 13.f3 Bd5 14.Qd3 Nb6 15.b3 0–0–0 16.f4 Bxg2 17.Nxg2 Kb8 18.Be3 Rd7 19.a4 Rhd8 20.Bf2 Nd5 21.Nh4 Nxf4 22.gxf4 Bxf4 23.Ng2 Rg8 24.Bg3 Bxg3 25.hxg3 Qg5 26.Kf2 c5 27.Rad1 cxd4 28.cxd4 Rxd4 29.Qxd4 Qxg3+ 30.Ke2 Qxg2+ 31.Kd3 Qf3+ 32.Kc2 a6 33.Kb2 Rg3 34.Qd6+ Ka7 35.Qc5+ 1–0

Kevin Seidler (2055) Gary Hewitt (1800)

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.f4 e6 4.Nf3 d5 5.Bb5 dxe4 6.Bxc6+ bxc6 7.Nxe4 Nf6 8.Qe2 Nxe4 9.Qxe4 Qd5 10.Qe2 c4 11.Ne5 Bd6 12.Nxc4 Bxf4 13.0-0 Bc7 14.d3 e5 15.b3 Bb6+ 16.Be3 Bxe3+ 17.Qxe3 f6 18.Rf2 0-0 19.Raf1 Be6 20.Qg3 Qd4 21.Kh1 Qg4 22.Qxg4 Bxg4 23.h3 Be6 24.Na5 c5 25.Nc6 Rf7 26.Kh2 a5 27.Re1 Bd5 28.Nxe5 fxe5 29.Rxf7 Kxf7 30.Rxe5 Rd8 31.c4 Be6 32.Rxc5 a4 33.Rc7+ Kf6 34.Ra7 axb3 35.axb3 Rxd3 36.Rb7 Rc3 37.g4 Rc2+ 38.Kg3 Rb2 39.Rb6 Ke5 40.Rb7 Bxc4 41.Rxg7 Rxb3+ 42.Kg2 Bd5+ 43.Kh2 Be4 44.Rf7 Rf3 45.Rxf3 Bxf3 46.Kg3 Bd5 47.g5 Kf5 48.Kh4 Bf7 49.Kg3 Kxg5 50.h4+ Kh5 51.Kh3 Be6+ 52.Kg3 Bd7 53.Kg2 Kxh4 54.Kh2 Bc6 55.Kg1 Kh3 56.Kf2 Kh2 57.Kf1 Kg3 58.Kg1 h5 59.Kf1 h4 60.Kg1 h3 0-1

Lukasz Kidzinski (2030) Rhett Langseth (1894)

1.e4 d6 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nc3 c6 4.d4 Qa5 5.Bd3 e5 6.0–0 Nbd7 7.Bd2 Be7 8.Ne2 Qc7 9.Ng3 Nb6 10.b3 g6 11.Bc3 Bg4 12.h3 Bxf3 13.Qxf3 h5 14.Rfd1 Nbd7 15.Nf1 Rh7 16.dxe5 dxe5 17.Ne3 Nf8 18.Nc4 N6d7 19.Qg3 f6 20.Rd2 g5 21.Rad1 Ng6 22.Bf1 Nc5 23.Qe3 Ne6 24.Nd6+ Kf8 25.Bc4 Nd4 26.Bxd4 Bxd6 27.Bxa7 Be7 28.Bb6 Qc8 29.Rd7 g4 30.R1d6 Nf4 31.Qd2 Qe8 32.Rxf6+ Kg7 33.Rf7+ Kg6 34.Rfxe7 Rxe7 35.Qd6+ Re6 36.Bxe6 1–0

Alexander Freeman (1724) Matthew Campbell (2000)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 c5 5.e3 Nc6 6.Nf3 0–0 7.Bd3 d5 8.a3 Bxc3+ 9.bxc3 Na5 10.cxd5 c4 11.Be2 exd5 12.Nd2 Re8 13.Bf3 Bd7 14.0–0 Bc6 15.a4 Qd7 16.Rd1 Ne4 17.Bxe4 dxe4 18.Qa2 Bd5 19.Rb1 Re6 20.Rb4 f5 21.Ba3 f4 22.Rb5 h6 23.Qc2 f3 24.Nf1 Rae8 25.Ng3 Rg6 26.gxf3 exf3 27.Kh1 Rxg3 0–1

DuWayne Langseth (1965) **Alexander Cacas** (1800)

1.d4 Nf6 2.e3 d6 3.Nf3 g6 4.Be2 Bg7 5.0–0 0–0 6.b3 c5 7.Bb2 Nbd7 8.c4 Qc7 9.Nc3 a6 10.d5 Ne4 11.Qc2 Nxc3 12.Bxc3 Bxc3 13.Oxc3 Nf6 14.a4 Bd7



15.Bd3 Rab8 16.e4 Ng4 17.Nd2 Ne5
18.Bc2 b5 19.axb5 axb5 20.f4 Ng4 21.h3
Nh6 22.e5 Nf5 23.Bxf5 Bxf5 24.g4 b4
25.Qb2 Bc8 26.Ne4 dxe5 27.fxe5 Bb7
28.d6 Qc6 29.dxe7 Qxe4 30.exf8Q+ Rxf8
31.Kh2 Rd8 32.Rae1 Qd3 33.Qf2 Rd7
34.Qe2 Qxe2+ 35.Rxe2 Rd3 36.Rb2 Re3
37.Rff2 Rxe5 38.Rfe2 Rg5 39.Re7 Bc6
40.Rc7 Be4 41.Re2 Bf3 42.Rf2 Bd1
43.Rfxf7 Re5 44.Rg7+ Kf8 45.Rcf7+
Ke8 46.Rxh7 Re2+ 47.Kg1 Rd2 48.Rb7
1–0

Samuel Kater (1018) Isaac Martinez (1932)

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.exd5 Qxd5 6.Ndf3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bb4+ 8.Bd2 Nge7 9.Ne2 0-0 10.Nc3 Qd7 11.Be3 Rd8 12.Bb5 a6 13.Ba4 b5 14.Bc2 Bb7 15.0-0 Rac8 16.a3 Ba5 17.Ne4 Ba8 18.Qd3 Ng6 19.Nc5 Qd6 20.h4 Nce7 21.Ne4 Qd5 22.Ng3 e5 23.h5 Nf8 24.h6 e4 25.Qxe4 Qc4 26.Qe5 Ne6 27.Ng5 Qd5 28.Bxh7+ Kh8 29.Be4 Qxe5 30.Nxf7+ Kg8

31.Nxe5 gxh6 32.Bf5 Rd6 33.Ne4 Bxe4 34.Bxe4 Nxd4 35.Rad1 Ne2+ 36.Kh1 Re6 37.f4 Ng3+ 38.Kg1 Nxe4 39.b4 Bc7 40.Ng4 Nf5 41.Bd4 Nxd4 42.Rxd4 Bb6 0–1

Kenneth Doykos (1808) Kevin Apper (1902)

1.Nf3 Nc6 2.e4 e5 3.d4 exd4 4.Bc4 Nf6 5.e5 d5 6.Bb5 Ne4 7.Nxd4 Bd7 8.Bxc6 Bxc6 9.0–0 Bc5 10.c3 0–0 11.f3 Ng5 12.f4 Ne4 13.Be3 Qh4 14.Qe2 Rae8 15.Nxc6 Bxe3+ 16.Qxe3 bxc6 17.Nd2 Nxd2 18.Qxd2 f6 19.Qd4 fxe5 20.fxe5 Qxd4+ 21.cxd4 Rxf1+ 22.Rxf1 Rf8 23.b4! Rxf1+ 24.Kxf1 Kf7 25.Ke2 Ke6 26.Kd3 Kf5 27.Kc3 Ke6 28.Kb3 a5 29.bxa5 c5 30.Kc3 1–0

Tim Brennan (1990) Andy Wu (1672)

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bg5 d5 3.Nf3 e6 4.e3 c5 5.c3 Nc6 6.Nbd2 h6 7.Bh4 g5 8.Bg3 Nh5 9.Bd3 Be7 10.dxc5 Nxg3 11.hxg3 Bxc5 12.Rc1 e5 13.Bb1 Bg4 14.Qa4 Bd7 15.Qb5 b6 16.Qb3 Be6 17.Qc2 Qf6 18.Nb3 Bd6 19.Rd1 e4 20.Nfd4 Ne5 21.Nxe6 Nd3+ 22.Rxd3 exd3 23.Ng7+ Qxg7 24.Qxd3 0-0 25.Qxd5 Rad8 26.Qb7 Rfe8 27.Qf3 Be5 28.0-0 Rd7 29.Bf5 Rde7 30.Rd1 Qf6 31.g4 Kg7 32.Rd3 Rc7 33.Nd2 Rd8 34.Ne4 Qe7 35.Qd1 Rxd3 36.Qxd3 Bf6 37.Ng3 Qd8 38.Qe4 Kf8 39.Qb4+ Qe7 40.Qb3 Be5 41.Ne4 Qd8 42.Qb4+ Kg8 43.Qb3 ½-½

Norbert Martinez (1632) Luke Stephens (1725)

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.d4 g6 3.e3 d5 4.c4 Bg7
5.Bd3 c5 6.cxd5 Nxd5 7.0–0 Nc6 8.Nc3
0–0 9.Nxd5 Qxd5 10.e4 Qd8 11.d5 Nd4
12.h3 f5 13.Nxd4 Bxd4 14.Bh6 Rf7
15.Be3 e5 16.Bxd4 cxd4 17.f3 f4 18.Bc4
Rc7 19.Qb3 Qd6 20.Rac1 Bd7 21.Rf2
Rac8 22.Rfc2 b5 23.Bd3 Kf8 24.Rxc7
Rxc7 25.Rxc7 Qxc7 26.Qb4+ Kf7
27.Bxb5 Qb7 28.a4 a6 29.Qd6 axb5
30.axb5 Qxb5 31.Qxe5 Qxb2 32.Qxf4+
Kg8 33.Qf6 Qa1+ 34.Kh2 Qa7 35.Qd8+
Kf7 36.e5 Qa4 37.Qf6+ Kg8 38.e6 Be8
39.e7 Bf7 40.d6 d3 41.Qc3 Qf4+ 42.g3
Qxd6 43.Qc8+ Kg7 44.Qf8+ Kf6
45.e8N+! Kg5 46.Qxd6 1–0

Alexa Lasley (1693) Ryan Beckett (1214)

1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.c3 d3 4.Bxd3 e6

5.Nf3 Nc6 6.0–0 Qc7 7.Be3 Nf6 8.Nbd2 Be7 9.Bd4 e5 10.Be3 0–0 11.Bc4 d6 12.Ng5 h6 13.Ngf3 Ng4 14.Qe2 Nxe3 15.fxe3 b6 16.Qf2 Nd8 17.Nh4 Bxh4 18.Qxh4 Be6 19.Bd5 Bxd5 20.exd5 Qc5 21.Rf3 Qxd5 22.Ne4 f6 23.Rg3 Kh8 24.Rf1 Qe6 25.Ng5 Qe7 26.Qe4 fxg5 27.Rxf8+ Qxf8 28.Qxa8 Qe7 29.Rf3 Kh7 30.Qe4+ g6 31.Rf2 Kg7 32.Rd2 Nf7 33.Rd4 Qe6 34.Ra4 d5 35.Qb4 Qf5 36.Rxa7 Qb1+ 37.Kf2 Qc2+ 38.Kg3 Qe2 39.Qxb6 Qe1+ 40.Kg4? h5+ 41.Kf3 e4# 0–1

Deanna Alter (1722) Dean Brown (1632)

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bf4 e6 3.Nf3 d5 4.Nbd2 c5 5.c3 cxd4 6.cxd4 Bb4 7.e3 Bxd2+ 8.Qxd2 0-0 9.Bd3 b6 10.0-0 Ba6 11.Rac1 Ne4 12.Qc2 Bxd3 13.Qxd3 Nd7 14.Nd2 Nxd2 15.Qxd2 Nf6 16.f3 Rc8 17.Rxc8 Qxc8 18.Rc1 Qa6 19.a3 Rc8 20.Rxc8+ Qxc8 21.Qc3 Qxc3 22.bxc3 b5 23.Bd6 a5 24.Kf2 Ne8 25.Bc5 a4 26.Ke2 Nc7 27.Kd3 f5 28.e4 g6 29.Bd6 fxe4+ 30.fxe4 dxe4+ 31.Kxe4 Nd5 32.Bb4 Kf7 33.Ke5 Ne3 34.Kd6 Nxg2 35.Kc5 Nf4 36.Kxb5 h5 37.c4 h4 38.Kxa4 1-0

Matt Lasley (1529) Rick Lovato (1311)

1.e4 d5 2.d4 c6 3.Nc3 a6 4.e5 Bf5 5.f4 e6 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bd2 c5 8.Be2 Nc6 9.Be3 c4 10.a3 Nge7 11.0-0 Nc8 12.g3 b5 13.Nh4 Bh7 14.f5 Be7 15.f6 gxf6 16.Bh5 f5 17.Bxf7+ Kd7 18.Ng6 Bxg6 19.Bxg6 Bg5 20.Nxd5 Bxe3+ 21.Nxe3 Qg5 22.Nxf5 Qxg6 23.Nh4 Qe4 24.c3 N8e7 25.Qh5 Qe3+ 26.Kg2 Qg5 27.Qf3 Rag8 28.Kh1 Nd5 29.a4 Qe7 30.axb5 axb5 31.Nf5 Qf7 32.Nd6 Qxf3+ 33.Rxf3 Ra8 34.Raf1 b4 35.Nxc4 bxc3 36.bxc3 Nce7 37.Rb1 Rac8 38.Nb6+ Nxb6 39.Rxb6 Rc6 40.Rb7+ Rc7 41.Rb6 Re8 42.Rd6+ Kc8 43.Rxe6 Rc6 44.Rxc6+ Nxc6 45.Rf6 Nxe5 46.dxe5 Rxe5 47.Rxh6 Rc5 48.Rf6 Rxc3 49.Kg2 Kd7 50.Rf5 Rc4 51.h3 Ke7 52.g4 Rc6 53.Kg3 Rg6 54.h4 Rg8 55.g5 Rg6 56.Kg4 Rg7 57.h5 Rg8 58.g6 Rf8 59.Rxf8 Kxf8 60.h6 Kg8 61.Kf5 Kh8 62.Kf6 Kg8 63.g7 1-0

Rebecca Herman (1361) Frank Atwood (1141)

1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.g3 Bb4 4.e3 Bxc3 5.bxc3 d6 6.Bg2 Nc6 7.e4 h6 8.d4 exd4 9.cxd4 0-0 10.Ne2 Bg4 11.f3 Bd7 12.0-0 Re8 13.Bb2 a6 14.a4 b5 15.axb5 axb5 16.cxb5 Na5 17.f4 Bxb5 18.e5 Bxe2 19.Qxe2 Ra7 20.Qb5 c6 21.Qb4 Nd5 22.Bxd5 cxd5 23.Qb5 Ra8 24.Qxd5 Qb6 25.Bc3 Nc6 26.Qxd6 Rxa1 27.Rxa1 Re6 28.Qc5 Qxc5 29.dxc5 Ne7 30.Rc1 Nf5 31.Kf2 Rc6 32.Ba5 Ne7 33.Ke2 Nd5 34.Kd2 Ra6 35.Bb6 Nxb6 36.cxb6 Rxb6 37.Rc8+ Kh7 38.Rc7 Kg8 39.Ke3 Rb8 40.h4 Rb3+ 41.Kf2 Rb2+ 42.Kf3 Rb3+ 43.Kg4 Ra3 44.Rc4 Re3 45.h5 Kh7 46.Kh4 Kg8 47.g4 Re1 48.Rc3 Re4 49.Kg3 Rb4 50.Re3 Rb8 51.g5 hxg5 52.fxg5 (Good technique. Rebecca spreads out her pawns to make defense more difficult.) 52...Re8 53.Kf4 Re6 54.Kf5 Re8 55.e6 Rxe6 56.Rxe6 fxe6+ 57.Kxe6 Kh7 58.Kf5 g6+ 59.Kf6! Kg8 60.Kxg6 Kh8 61.Kf7 Kh7 62.g6+ Kh8 63.g7+ Kh7 64.g8Q+ Kh6 65.Qg6# 1-0

Samuel Dorchuck (1397) Andrew Lin (1449)

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.Nc3 b5 6.Bb3 b4 7.Nd5 Bd6 8.d3 Bb7 9.Bg5 Be7 10.0–0 Nxd5 11.exd5 Bxg5 12.dxc6 Bxc6 13.Nxe5 0–0 14.Nxc6 dxc6 15.Qf3 Qd6 16.Rfe1 Bf6 17.Rab1 Rfe8 18.c3 bxc3 19.bxc3 c5 20.Rbd1 Rf8 21.c4 Rfe8 22.Ba4 Red8 23.Bc6 Rab8 24.Be4 Rb2 25.Re2 Rdb8 26.Kf1 Rxe2 27.Kxe2 Rb2+ 28.Rd2 Rxd2+ 29.Kxd2 Qb6 30.Kd1 Qb1+ 31.Kd2 Qxa2+ 32.Ke1 Bc3+ (In his attack, Black is a bishop ahead.) 33.Kf1 Qb1+ 34.Ke2 Qe1# 0–1

Brad Lundstrom (1993) **Jackson Chen** (2124)

1.d4 d5 2.e3 c6 3.f4 Nf6 4.Nf3 Bg4 5.h3 Bxf3 6.Qxf3 e6 7.Bd3 c5 8.c3 Nc6 9.0–0 Qc7 10.Nd2 Be7 11.b3 0–0 12.Bb2 a6 13.g4 b5 14.g5 Nd7 15.Rac1 c4 16.Bb1 a5 17.e4 Nb6 18.e5 Qa7 19.Kh2 g6 20.h4 Kg7 21.h5 Rac8 22.Kg2 cxb3 23.Nxb3 Nc4 24.Rc2 b4 25.Rh1 Rh8 26.h6+ Kf8 27.Nd2 Nxb2 28.Rxb2 bxc3 29.Qxc3 Bb4 30.Qd3 Qxd4 31.Qxd4 Nxd4 32.Nb3 Ba3 33.Rd2 Nxb3 34.axb3 Ke7 35.Kf3 Rc3+36.Rd3 Rhc8 37.Ke2 Rxd3 38.Kxd3 Rc1 0–1

Ron Rossi (1837) Lukasz Kidzinski (2030)

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 exd5 4.c4 Nf6 5.Bd3 dxc4 6.Bxc4 Bb4+ 7.Nc3 0–0 8.Nge2 Bg4 9.f3 Bf5 10.0–0 Nbd7 11.Bg5 h6 12.Bh4 Nb6 13.Bb3 g5 14.Bg3 Qd7 15.a3 Bd6 16.Bxd6 Qxd6 17.Ng3 Bg6 18.Nge4 Qf4 19.Nxf6+ Qxf6 20.Ne4 Qf4 21.Re1 Rad8 22.Rc1 g4 23.g3 Qxf3 24.Qxf3 gxf3 25.Kf2 Rxd4 26.Kxf3 Rd3+ 27.Re3 Rxe3+ 28.Kxe3 Re8 29.Rxc7 Rxe4+ 30.Kf2 Rd4 31.Rxb7 Rd2+ 32.Ke1 Rxb2 33.Bd1 Rb1 0-1

Randy Reynolds (1837) Jason Loving (2060)

1.c4 g6 2.Nc3 Bg7 3.Nf3 d6 4.d4 Nf6 5.e4 0-0 6.Be2 e5 7.d5 Nbd7 8.0-0 Nc5 9.Nd2 a5 10.b3 Ne8 11.Bb2 f5 12.f3 Bh6 13.Kh1 Bxd2 14.Qxd2 f4 15.Qe1 Ng7 16.Ba3 g5 17.Qf2 b6 18.Bxc5 bxc5 19.a4 Rf6 20.g4 fxg3 21.Qxg3 Rf4 22.Rg1 h6 23.Nd1 Kh7 24.Ne3 Qf6 25.Ng2 Nh5 26.Qe1 Bh3 27.Nxf4 Nxf4 28.Qf2 Rf8 29.Bf1 Bd7 30.Qg3 Be8 31.Ra2 Bh5 32.h3 Ng6 33.Rf2 Rb8 34.Rb2 Nh4 35.Be2 Rf8 36.Bd1 Qg6 37.Qxh4 gxh4 38.Rxg6 Kxg6 39.Rg2+ Kh7 40.Rf2 Rg8 41.Rg2 Rf8 42.Rf2 Be8 43.Bc2 Bd7 44.f4 Bxh3 45.f5 Bg4 46.Rf1 h5 47.Bd1 Kh6 48.Kh2 Kg5 49.Kh1 Rb8 50.Bc2 Rg8 51.Bd1 Kf6 52.Rg1 Kg5 53.Rf1 Bxd1 54.Rxd1 Kf4 55.Rg1 Rb8 56.f6 Rf8 57.f7 Kxe4 58.Rf1 Kd3 59.Rf3+ Kc2 0-1

Isaac Martinez (1932) Nabil Spann (1821)

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Be3 Bg7 7.Be2 0–0 8.g4 Nc6 9.h4 d5 10.Nxc6 bxc6 11.e5 Nd7 12.f4 Qa5 13.Qd2 Rb8 14.b3 Nb6 15.Bf3 f6 16.h5 fxe5 17.h6 Bh8 18.f5 d4 19.fxg6 Rxf3 20.0–0–0 Nc4 21.gxh7+ Kf8 22.Rdf1 Nxd2 23.Bxd2 Bxg4 24.Rhg1 0–1

Rhett Langseth (1894) Alexander Freeman (1724)

1.Nf3 d5 2.d3 Nf6 3.c3 Bf5 4.Nbd2 Nbd7 5.Qc2 e5 6.Nh4 Bg6 7.e4 Bc5 8.Nxg6 fxg6 9.Be2 0–0 10.Nf3 Ng4 11.Rf1 c6 12.Bd1 Qb6 13.h3 Ngf6 14.b4 Be7 15.Qb3 Kh8 16.Be3 Qc7 17.Ng5 Qd6 18.Bc5 Nxc5 19.bxc5 Qd7 20.d4 exd4 21.e5 Rae8 22.cxd4 Bxc5 23.Qc3 Bb6 24.Be2 h6 25.e6 Qc7 26.Nf7+ Rxf7 27.exf7 Ba5 28.fxe8Q+ Nxe8 29.Kd2 Nd6 30.Bd3 Bxc3+ 31.Kxc3 Qa5+ 32.Kb3 Nf5 33.Bxf5 gxf5 34.Rad1 b5 35.Rd3 Qa4+ 36.Kb2 Qc4 37.Rfd1 a5 38.a3 b4 39.axb4 axb4 40.R1d2 g5 41.f3 Kg7 42.Rd1 Kg6 43.R1d2 f4 44.Rd1 Kh5 45.R1d2 Kh4 46.Rd1 Kg3 47.R1d2 h5

48.Rb3 Qb5 49.Rbd3 Qa4 50.Rb3 Qa5 51.Rc2 Qb6 52.Rd3 h4 53.Rcd2 Qd8 54.Rb3 Qe7 55.Rbd3 Qe1 56.Rc2 Qf1 57.Rdd2 ½-½

Andy Wu (1672) Pierre Julien (1819)

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e5 c5 5.a3 Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 Ne7 7.Nf3 b6 8.Be2 Ba6 9.0–0 Bxe2 10.Qxe2 Nbc6 11.Be3 cxd4 12.cxd4 Qc7 13.Rac1 Na5 14.Nd2 Nc4 15.Nxc4 Qxc4 16.Qg4 0–0 17.h4 Nf5 18.h5 f6 19.exf6 Rxf6 20.c3 Raf8 21.Bg5 R6f7 22.h6 g6 23.Rfe1 Re8 24.Qh3 b5 25.Re5 Qa2 26.Rce1 Qxa3 27.Rxe6 Rxe6 28.Rxe6 a5 29.Qd3 Qf8 30.Qxb5 Ne7 31.Bxe7 Rxe7 32.Rxe7 Qxe7 33.Qxd5+ Kf8 34.Qxa5 Qe1+ 35.Kh2 Qxf2 36.Qd8+ Kf7 37.Qd7+ Kf6 38.Qd6+ Kf7 39.Qd5+ Kf8 1–0

Edward Sedillo (1619) Suhaas Narayanan (1747)

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 g6 3.g3 Bg7 4.Bg2 Nc6 5.d3 Nf6 6.f4 0-0 7.Be3 d6 8.Nge2 Ng4 9.Bg1 Nd4 10.h3 Nxe2 11.Qxe2 Nf6 12.Be3 Qb6 13.0-0-0 a5 14.Bf3 a4 15.a3 Qa5 16.Bd2 Rb8 17.Nd5 Qd8 18.Nxf6+ exf6 19.f5 b5 20.h4 b4 21.h5 bxa3 22.bxa3 Qb6 23.Bc3 Bh6+ 0-1

Daniel Ruvins (1393) **Randy Schine** (1558)

1.d4 g6 2.Bf4 Bg7 3.e3 Nf6 4.Nf3 d6 5.c3 0–0 6.Bc4 Nbd7 7.Nbd2 a6 8.Qb3 b5 9.Bd5 Rb8 10.Ng5 Nxd5 11.Qxd5 Bb7 12.Qb3 Bxg2 13.Rg1 Bb7 14.Ndf3 Bxf3 15.Nxf3 c5 16.0–0–0 c4 17.Qc2 Qc7 18.Qe4 e5 19.dxe5 dxe5 20.Bg5 Nc5 21.Qc2 Nd3+ 22.Kb1 b4 23.cxb4 Rxb4 24.Rxd3 e4 25.Rd4 exf3 26.a3 Bxd4 27.axb4 Bg7 28.Bf4 Qb6 29.Qxc4 Re8 30.Rd1 Rd8 31.Rxd8+ Qxd8 32.Qxa6 Qd1+ 33.Ka2 h5 34.Bg3 Qc2 35.Qa3 Qc4+ 36.Qb3 Qa6+ 37.Kb1 Qf1+ 38.Ka2 Qa6+ ½-½

Mark Derby (1765) Javier Hollines (1475)

1.b4 e5 2.Bb2 Bxb4 3.Bxe5 f6 4.Bb2 d5 5.e3 Be6 6.Nf3 Nc6 7.Be2 Qd7 8.0–0 Nge7 9.c3 Bd6 10.Qc2 Ne5 11.Nd4 Bf7 12.Na3 c6 13.d3 0–0 14.Nf3 Qc7 15.g3 Be6 16.Nxe5 fxe5 17.c4 dxc4 18.Nxc4 Bh3 19.Rfd1 Ng6 20.Nxd6 Qxd6 21.Bf1 Qe6 22.Qb3 Rf7 23.Qxe6 Bxe6 24.Bg2 Raf8 25.Ba3 Rd8 26.Be4 Rfd7 27.Bb2

Kf7 28.Kf1 Bd5 29.Bxg6+ Kxg6 30.Ke2 e4 31.dxe4 Bxe4 32.Rxd7 Rxd7 33.f3 Bd5 34.e4 Bc4+ 35.Ke1 Kf7 36.a3 b5 37.f4 g6 38.Rd1 Rxd1+ 39.Kxd1 Bd3 40.e5 Ke6 41.Kd2 Bc4 42.Ke3 Bd5 43.Bd4 a6 44.g4 h5 45.gxh5 gxh5 46.h4 Kf5 47.Bb6 Kg4 48.Bd8 a5 49.Bg5 c5 50.Kd3 b4 51.axb4 cxb4 52.Kd4 Be6 53.Ke3 b3 54.Kd2 a4 55.Kc3 a3 56.Bh6 b2 57.Kc2 Bf5+ 0-1

Mike Madsen (1572) Richard Handoko (1404)

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 Bb4 5.Bd2 0–0 6.a3 Bxc3 7.Bxc3 dxc4 8.e3 b5 9.a4 c6 10.axb5 cxb5 11.b3 Nc6 12.bxc4 b4 13.Bd2 a5 14.Bd3 Ba6 15.0–0 Qc7 16.Qc2 Rfb8 17.Rfb1 Ne7 18.Ne5 h6 19.Be2 Bb7 20.c5 Be4 21.Bd3 Bxd3 22.Qxd3 Nc6 23.Nxc6 Qxc6 24.Ra2 Ne4 25.f3 Nxd2 26.Qxd2 b3 27.Rxa5 Kf8 28.Rxa8 Qxa8 29.Qc3 b2 30.Kf2 Qa2 31.Qc2 Rb3 32.c6 Rc3 33.Qxb2 Rc2+ 34.Kg3 Rxb2 35.c7 Rxg2+ 36.Kf4 g5+ 0–1

Richard Handoko (1404) Dennis Bolshakov (1678)

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 g6 5.Nxc6 bxc6 6.Bc4 Bg7 7.Qf3 Nf6 8.Nc3 d6 9.h3 0-0 10.0-0 Be6 11.Bd3 d5 12.Bf4 Nd7 13.exd5 cxd5 14.Nxd5 Bxb2 15.Nc7 Bxa1 16.Nxa8 Be5 17.Be4 Bxf4 18.Qxf4 Nc5 19.Bf3 Na6 20.Qa4 Bc8 21.Rd1 Nc5 22.Qb5 Nd7 23.Bc6 e6 24.Bxd7 Bxd7 25.Rxd7 Qxa8 26.Rb7 Qd8 27.c4 Qd1+ 28.Kh2 Qe2 29.Qb2 Oxc4 30.Rxa7 Qf4+ 31.g3 Qf3 32.Ra3 Qf5 33.Rb3 Qa5 34.Rb8 Rxb8 35.Qxb8+ Kg7 36.Qb3 e5 37.a4 Kf6 38.Qb5 Qxb5 39.axb5 Ke6 40.Kg2 Kd6 41.Kf3 f5 42.g4 Kc5 43.h4 Kxb5 44.g5 Kc5 45.Ke3 Kd5 46.f3 e4 47.Kf2 Ke5 48.Ke3 f4+ 49.Ke2 exf3+ 50.Kxf3 Kf5 51.Kg2 Kg4 52.Kf2 Kxh4 53.Kf3 Kxg5 54.Kg2 Kg4 55.Kf2 f3 56.Kg1 Kg3 57.Kh1 h5 58.Kg1 f2+ 59.Kf1 h4 60.Ke2 0-1

Mark Derby (1765) Matthew Miller (1300)

1.Nf3 f5 2.g3 Nf6 3.Bg2 e6 4.0–0 Nc6 5.d3 Be7 6.Nbd2 0–0 7.e4 f4 8.gxf4 Nh5 9.f5 exf5 10.exf5 d5 11.Nb3 Bxf5 12.Nfd4 g6 13.Bf3 Bh3 14.Re1 Bh4 15.Be3 Nf4 16.Bxf4 Rxf4 17.Ne6 Bxe6 18.Rxe6 Qg5+ 19.Kh1 Raf8 20.Nd2 Qf5 21.c4 Nb4 22.Qe2 c6 23.cxd5 cxd5 24.Re5 Qh3 25.Bg2 Qd7 26.f3 Qb5 27.Re7 Bxe7 28.Qxe7 Nxd3 29.Qe6+ R8f7 30.Rf1 Qxb2 31.Nb1 Nf2+ 32.Kg1 Qd4 33.Rxf2 Rxf3 34.Bxf3 Qa1 35.Rf1 Qd4+ 36.Kg2 Qb2+ 37.Be2 1–0

Ekrem Tamkan (2026) Mark Krowczyk (1855)

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.cxd5 exd5 5.Qc2 c6 6.Bg5 Be7 7.e3 0-0 8.Bd3 Nbd7 9.Nge2 h6 10.Bh4 Re8 11.0-0-0 Ne4 12.Bg3 f5 13.f3 Nxc3 14.Nxc3 Nb6 15.Be5 Bf6 16.f4 Nc4 17.Rde1 Qb6 18.b3 Na3 19.Qb2 Be7 20.Nb1 Qa5 21.Kd1 Be6 22.Ke2 Nb5 23.Qc2 Nd6 24.g4 Ne4 25.gxf5 Bxf5 26.Rhg1 g6 27.Rg2 Kf7 28.Rd1 Bh4 29.Nd2 Nc3+ 30.Kf3 Bxd3 31.Qxd3 Re6 32.Rdg1 Rg8 33.f5 Rxe5 34.dxe5 g5 35.Qd4 c5 36.Qxh4 Qc7 37.Qh5+ Ke7 38.Qxh6 Qxe5 39.Qe6+ Qxe6 40.fxe6 Rf8+ 41.Kg4 Kxe6 42.a4 d4 43.exd4 cxd4 44.Kxg5 Nd5 45.Kh6 Ne3 46.Rg6+ Ke5 47.Nc4+ Ke4 48.Nxe3 dxe3 49.Re6+ Kd3 50.Rg3 Rh8+ 51.Kg7 Rxh2 52.Rexe3+ Kd4 53.Re7 Kc5 54.Rxb7 1-0

Feamir Katana (1402) Richard Handoko (1404)

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Bf5 5.Ng3 Bg6 6.Nf3 Nd7 7.Bd3 Bxd3 8.Qxd3 e6 9.Bf4 Ngf6 10.0-0-0 Be7 11.h3 Nd5 12.Bd2 Bd6 13.Ne4 Bc7 14.g4 Qe7 15.Rhe1 Nf4 16.Bxf4 Bxf4+ 17.Kb1 0-0-0 18.h4 Nf6 19.g5 Nd5 20.Nc3 Qb4 21.Ne5 Bxe5 22.Rxe5 Nxc3+ 23.Qxc3 Qxc3 24.bxc3 Rd7 25.Kb2 Rhd8 26.f4 Rd5 27.Rde1 g6 28.R1e4 b5 29.Kb3 Kc7 30.a4 bxa4+ 31.Kxa4 Rb8 32.Rxd5 cxd5 33.Re1 Rb6 34.Ka5 Kc6 35.Ra1 Rb2 36.Rc1 Kb7 37.Ka4 Kb6 38.Ka3 Rb5 39.Ra1 a6 40.Rc1 a5 41.Ka2 a4 42.Ka3 Ka5 43.Ra1 Rb7 44.Rc1 Rc7 45.Kb2 Kb5 46.Ra1 Rb7 47.Kc1 Ra7 48.Rb1+ Kc4 49.Rb8 Kxc3 50.Rh8 a3 51.Kb1 a2+ 52.Ka1 Ra4 53.Rxh7 Rxd4 54.Rxf7 Kxc2 55.Kxa2 Ra4# 0-1





COLORADO CHESS CLUB DIRECTORY

Boulder Chess Club: Is back in business and meets every Wednesday at the UMC Alferd Packer Grill 6:30-11:30pm. Contact Ginny Gaige at *ginnygaige@gmail.com* or Julian Evans at *julian.evans@colorado.edu* for more information.

Carbondale Chess Club: Meets every Tuesday from 6:00pm until the wee hours at Kahhak Fine Arts & School, 411 Main Street, Carbondale. All levels and ages are welcome and chess coaching is available. Please contact Majid Kahhak at (970) 704-0622 or email: Mkahhak@sopris.net.

Castle Rock Chess Club: Meets every Monday from 6:00-9:00pm at the Philip S. Miller Library, 100 South Wilcox Street, Castle Rock.

Chess Knights: (Highlands Ranch) Meets on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday evenings from 7:00-9:00pm. From C-470 & Broadway, on Broadway go 1.3 miles south, at the light, turn right onto Highland Ranch Parkway, go 0.2 miles, to the first light, turn left onto Ridgeline Blvd., go 0.2 miles, the library is on the left. We meet in the conference room on the left beyond the restrooms. Information is also available on the Chess Knights' Web site at http://HighlandsRanchLibraryChess.org. Contact: Frank Atwood (720) 260-1493 or by email: FrankAtwood@HighlandsRanchLibraryChess.org.

Chessmates Chess Club: (Fort Collins) 111 North College Ave. Meeting upstairs, Monday 3:45-4:45pm & Thursday 4:45-6:15pm. For kids ages 6-14 of all levels. Instructed by Zachary Bekkedahl. For more information go to www.chessmatesfc.com or email: info@chessmatesfc.com.

Colorado Springs Chess Club: Meets Tuesday evenings, 7:00-10:00pm, in the ballroom of the Acacia Apartments building, 104 East Platte. Scheduled activities every meeting at 8:00pm (must show up by 8:00pm or you might be locked out). For information see their website at www.SpringsChess.org or email Buck Buchanan at buckpeace@pcisys.net or call (719) 685-1984.

Craig Chess Club: Call Rick or Mary Nelson, (970) 824-4780 to schedule play.

Denver Chess Club: Meets on Tuesdays, 6:00-10:00pm at the Third Christian Reformed Church, 2400 South Ash Street, Denver. (303) 733-8940. www.DenverChess.com

Denver Chess / Meetup.com: This group is run through the social site *Meetup.com*, and our page is *www.Meetup.com/Learn-to-Play-Chess/*. Players must join in order to receive information and sign up for events. Contact: David Costantino at *avs1cup@yahoo.com* or through the group's *Meetup.com* page.

Durango Chess Club: Meets on Wednesdays from 6:00-9:00pm at Durango Joe's Coffee Shop, 732 East College Drive.

Fort Collins Chess Club: Currently meets Tuesdays, 7:00pm, in the food court of the Lory Student Center (2nd level), Colorado State University. You can email Randy Reynolds at randy_teyana@msn.com.

On the net - http://groups.yahoo.com/group/fort_collins_chess.

Fort Lewis College Chess Club: Meets Thursday nights in the X-treme room which is located the College Union Building, the club is sponsored by the school and is a USCF affiliate club. For more info, contact Andrea Browne at (970) 247-6239.

Grand Junction Junior Chess Club: Meets every 3rd Saturday of the month at the Knights of Columbus Building, 2853 North Avenue. Call Rand Dodd at (970) 245-4015.

Greeley Chess Club: Meets Wednesdays, 6:00-9:00pm at Your Place Coffee, 2308 West 17th Street, Greeley. Contact Brad Lundstrom at *bradlundstrom@yahoo.com*. Or call him at (720) 272-9384.

Lafayette Chess Club: Meets Mondays, from 6:00-9:00pm at the Mojo Coffeehouse, 211 North Public Road in Lafayette. Contact Victor Creazzi at (303) 332-7039 or by email at aerofirewp@yahoo.com for more information.

Longmont Chess Club: Meets Thursdays, from 6:30-9:00pm at Abbondanza Pizzeria, 461 Main St., in Longmont. Contact James Drebenstedt at (720) 494-0993 for more information.

Northeast Denver Chess Club: Meets Mondays and Thursdays from 4:00-8:00pm at 2575 Vine Street, Denver. Call (303) 320-6716 for more info.

Pagosa Springs Chess Club: Meets on Tuesdays (6:00-9:00pm) and on Saturday mornings (9:00-Noon) at Nello's Restaurant, 135 Country Center Drive, #A. For more information contact Anthony Steventon by email at asteveton@centurytel.net or at (970) 731-3029.

Pueblo Chess Club: Meets at the Daily Grind Café, 209 South Union on Tuesdays and Thursdays after 6:30pm. For more info contact Liz Nickovich at *chessliz@comcast.net* or by phone at (719) 696-8389.

Rifle Chess Club: Meets Thursdays, 6:30-9:00pm, at City Hall. For information email Dane Lyons at duilen@gmail.com.

Stonebridge Games Chess Club: (Longmont) Meets Tuesdays at 5:00pm. 449 Main Street, Longmont. Call (303) 776-3796 for more info.

To add to or update listing information please email Fred Eric Spell at spellfe@hotmail.com.



UPCOMING COLORADO TOURNAMENTS

C.S. Chess Center January Tournament January 11, 2014

3 Round Swiss System Tournament.

Time Control: G/75; d/5

Site: Colorado Springs Chess Center, 308 W. Fillmore Avenue,

Suite 20, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80907

8 player sections by rating: Limit of 40 players, 5 sections **Entry Fee:** \$15 if received by January 10, 2014, \$20 on site.

Prizes: \$50 first, \$35 second for each 8 player section.

Registration: 7:45-8:45am.

Rounds: 9:00am, 12:30pm, 3:00pm.

Entries: Lee Simmons 2513 Alexander Road Colorado Springs,

Colorado 80909

Phone: (719) 634-1144

E-mail: RockyMountainChess@comcast.net

First come first served. Advance registration recommended.

Open to first 40 entries, USCF membership required.

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Boulder 20/20 #3 January 15, 2014

4 Round Swiss System Tournament.

Time Control: G/20 (20 minutes per player for the game.) **Site:** CU Boulder UMC (see our meetup.com tournament page for more info.)

Directions: Visit our meetup.com tournament page for directions. If you are driving, the best place to park is in the Euclid Avenue AutoPark located directly adjacent to the UMC. Anyone can park in this lot after 5pm for a fixed fee of \$3.

Entry Fee: \$5 if you register ahead of time on our meetup.com tournament page. (Select that you will "attend" the event). \$10 on site.

Prizes: TBD based on number of entries.

Registration: On Site Registration: 6:20pm-6:35pm (not necessary if you register online), Rounds: 6:45pm, 7:30pm, 8:15pm, 9:00pm.

Entries: Charles Swartz
E-mail: swartzc@gmail.com

Visit this website for more information and to register: http://www.meetup.com/boulderchess/events/157866722/

Get Blitzed Rated Blitz Chess at the Corner Bakery January 25, 2014

Time Control: G/3; inc/3.

Site: Corner Bakery Cafe, 1147 16th Street Mall, Denver, CO 80202 16th and Arapahoe, downtown Denver, near the clock tower.

Sections: A USCF blitz rated round robin tournament with 3 sections - Over and Under 1800, limited to 12 players in each section. In addition, there will be an unrated non-USCF member section limited to 12 players.

Format: After a single round robin, in each section, the players

will divide into 3 Quads by score and rating and play a double round robin Quad for the prize money.

Rules/Scoring: Each player will receive a copy of the USCF draw claim rules before the tournament begins. These rules and only these rules will apply. 3-1-0 scoring system will be used. Touch move.

Tiebreaks: Tie break will be two games and if still tied, one Armageddon game with black having draw odds.

Entry Fee: \$22, before January 23, 2014; \$27 on site.

Prizes: 100% of entry fees, minus only the USCF rating fee. The 1st Quad of each section will have 3 cash prizes: the 2nd Quad, 2 cash prizes and the 3rd Quad, 1 cash prize. Taking the rating fee into account and assuming 12 player sections, the prizes in the Over 1800 section would be about:

1st Quad: 2nd Quad: 1st - \$80. 1st - \$40 2nd - \$60. 2nd - \$25

3rd - \$50.

The Under 1800 section prizes would be \$5 less for each prize in the 1st and 2nd Quads and the Unrated section \$10 less for each prize in the 1st and 2nd Quads. 3rd Quad prize for all 3 sections would be \$15.

Registration: 9:00-10:00am.

Rounds: Single rounds every 10-12 minutes, with a lunch break before double round Quad play in each section begins. .

Entries: Tim Brennan 1340 Farnham Point, Apt. 206, Colorado

Springs, CO 80904 **Phone:** (303) 883-2684 **E-mail:** liencam2@yahoo.com

The tournament will last, including lunch and any necessary tie breaks, about 4 - 5 hours. Please do not enter if you cannot commit to that amount of time. Thank You.

C.S. Chess Center February Tournament February 8, 2014

3 Round Swiss System Tournament.

Time Control: G/75; d/5

Site: Colorado Springs Chess Center, 308 W. Fillmore Avenue,

Suite 20, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80907

8 player sections by rating: Limit of 40 players, 5 sections **Entry Fee:** \$15 if received by February 7, 2014, \$20 on site.

Prizes: \$50 first, \$35 second for each 8 player section.

Registration: 7:45-8:45am.

Rounds: 9:00am, 12:30pm, 3:00pm.

Entries: Lee Simmons 2513 Alexander Road Colorado Springs,

Colorado 80909

Phone: (719) 634-1144

E-mail: RockyMountainChess@comcast.net

First come first served. Advance registration recommended. Open to first 40 entries, USCF membership required.

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C.S. Chess Center Sunday Tournament February 9, 2014

3 Round Swiss System Tournament.

Time Control: G/75; d/5

Site: Colorado Springs Chess Center, 308 W. Fillmore Avenue,

Suite 20, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80907

8 player sections by rating: Limit of 40 players, 5 sections **Entry Fee:** \$15 if received by February 7, 2014, \$20 on site.

Prizes: \$50 first, \$35 second for each 8 player section.

Registration: 7:45-8:45am.

Rounds: 9:00am, 12:30pm, 3:00pm.

Entries: Lee Simmons 2513 Alexander Road Colorado Springs,

Colorado 80909 Phone: (719) 634-1144

E-mail: RockyMountainChess@comcast.net

First come first served. Advance registration recommended. Open to first 40 entries, USCF membership required.

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Loveland Open February 8 - 9, 2014

4 Round Swiss System Tournament.

Time Control: 40/120, G/60

Site: Larimer County Fairgrounds, McKee Community Build-

ing, 5280 Arena Circle, Loveland, CO 80538.

Directions: I-25 to exit 259. Head East to Fairgrounds Ave. light and turn left. Watch for the arched entrance on the left. **Sections** -

Open: Open to all USCF members and unrated.

Loveland: Open to all USCF players rated UNDER 1877 and

unrated.

Santa Fe: Open to all USCF players rated UNDER 1610 and

unrated.

Entry Fee: \$40 (\$35 if received by February 7, 2014.)

Prizes: Based on entries. Registration: 8:00-9:30am. Rounds: 10:00am, 4:00pm; 9:00am, 3:00pm.

Entries: Randy Reynolds 1839 Thyme Court, Fort Collins, CO

80528

Phone: (970) 310-4224

E-mail: randy_teyana@msn.com

25% discount off advance entry fee if Junior, Senior, or unrated. TD reserves the right to combine top two sections if there is low participation in either section.

USCF and CSCA memberships regd. (OSA)

Colorado Tour Event

Colorado Springs Open March 8 - 9, 2014

5 Round Swiss System Tournament

Time Control: Rounds 1-2 G/90; d/5;

Rounds 3-5 G/90; inc/30.

Site: City Hall, 606 Manitou Avenue, Manitou Springs

Open: One open section.

Entry Fee: \$35 if received by March 6, 2014, \$40 at site. \$9 EF discount for juniors, seniors, unrated. Additional \$5 discount for Supporting Members of Colorado Springs Chess Club.

Prizes: Cash prizes per entries. **Registration:** 8:30-9:30am.

Rounds: 10:00am, 2:30pm, 7:00pm;

9:00am, 3:00pm.

Entries: Richard Buchanan 1 Sutherland Rd., Manitou Springs

CO 80829

Phone: (719) 685-1984 E-mail: buckpeace@pcisys.net

Note: Daylight Savings Time starts Sunday morning.

CSCA required, (\$15, jrs & srs 10), OSA.

Colorado Tour Event

C.S. Chess Center March Tournament March 15, 2014

3 Round Swiss System Tournament.

Time Control: G/75; d/5

Site: Colorado Springs Chess Center, 308 W. Fillmore Avenue,

Suite 20, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80907

8 player sections by rating: Limit of 40 players, 5 sections **Entry Fee:** \$15 if received by March 14, 2014, \$20 on site. **Prizes:** \$50 first, \$35 second for each 8 player section.

Registration: 7:45-8:45am.

Rounds: 9:00am, 12:30pm, 3:00pm.

Entries: Lee Simmons 2513 Alexander Road Colorado Springs,

Colorado 80909 Phone: (719) 634-1144

E-mail: RockyMountainChess@comcast.net

First come first served. Advance registration recommended.

Open to first 40 entries, USCF membership required.

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Boulder Open March 21 - 23, 2014

5 Round Swiss System Tournament

Time Control / 3-day: G/90 +30 second increment;

2-day: Rounds 1-2: G/60; d/5. Rounds 3-5: G/90; inc/30.

Site: Best Western Plus Boulder Inn, 770 28th St, Boulder, CO 80303. Group rate available soon. Call (303) 499-3800.

Website at www.BoulderInn.com

Open: Open to all current USCF members (rated and unrated). **U1700:** Open to all USCF members rated under 1700 and unrated.

Entry Fee: \$35 by March 19, 2014, \$40 on site.

Prizes: Open: \$200-125-75 U1700: \$150-75-45 Based on 40

players.

Registration:

3-day: Friday 6:00pm-7:00pm; 2-day: Saturday 8:30-9:30am.

Rounds: 3-day: 7:00pm; 10:00am, 3:00pm. 2-day: 10:00am, 12:30pm, 3:00pm.

Sunday: 9:00am, 2:00pm.

Entries: Jackson Chen, 5653 Stoneybrook Drive, Broomfield,

CO 80020

Phone: (720) 234-1186

E-mail: tiger2chen@gmail.com

\$9 discount for Juniors, Seniors, and Unrated.

Randy Reynolds will be the Chief TD.

USCF and CSCA membership required (other state membership

accepted).

Colorado Tour Event

Small extra fee for online registration.

Chess Knight with the Colorado Avalanche March 29, 2014

Site: Pepsi Center, Downtown Denver

Entry Fee: Tickets: \$26.75 which includes Chess Lesson by NM Todd Bardwick, Lunch at Pepsi Center, give-aways for the kids, and Avalanche game against the San Jose Sharks!

Prizes: Give-aways for the kids

Round Times: Chess Seminar starts at 11:45am and Avalanche

vs. Sharks game starts at 1:00pm.

Entries: Kiley Long Phone: (303) 405-7625

E-mail: *klong@pepsicenter.com*

Registration: www.ColoradoMasterChess.com or

www.avstix.com/chessknightfn14

C.S. Chess Center April Tournament April 12, 2014

3 Round Swiss System Tournament.

Time Control: G/75; d/5

Site: Colorado Springs Chess Center, 308 W. Fillmore Avenue

Suite 20, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80907

8 player sections by rating:: Limit of 40 players, 5 sections **Entry Fee:** \$15 if received by April 11, 2014, \$20 on site. **Prizes:** \$50 first, \$35 second for each 8 player section.

Registration: 7:45am-8:45am. **Rounds:** 9:00am, 12:30pm, 3:00pm.

Entries: Lee Simmons 2513 Alexander Road Colorado Springs,

Colorado 80909 Phone: (719) 634-1144

E-mail: rockymountainchess@comcast.net

First come first served. Advance registration recommended. Open to first 40 entries, USCF membership required. Make checks payable to Lee Simmons.

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Bobby Fischer Memorial Chess Tournament May 3-4, 2014

4 Round Swiss System Tournament.

Time Control: All Rounds: 40/90, G/30; inc/30

Site: The Inn at Palmer Divide, 443 CO State Highway 105,

Palmer Lake, CO 80133.

Sections: Open (open to all), U1800, U1400.

Entry Fee: \$60; Pre-registration entry fee: \$55, which must be

paid at the time of pre-registration.

Go to www.GentlemensChessClub.com for pre-registration entry form.

Prizes: Cash prizes based on entries.

Registration: Saturday, May 3rd: 8:30-9:30am. **Rounds:** Saturday, May 3rd: 10:00am, 4:00pm; Sunday, May 4th: 9:00am, 3:00pm.

Entries: Fred Spell. Phone: 719-491-1040.

E-mail: GentlemensChessClub@hotmail.com. Send pre-registrations with checks payable to:

Fred Spell, 16845 Buffalo Valley Path, Monument, CO 80132. Pre-registrations must be received and paid in full by April 30th in order to qualify for the reduced entry for

in order to qualify for the reduced entry fee.

Free morning coffee (while supply lasts) will be available. Wheelchair accessible. USCF membership required.

Presented by the Gentlemen's Chess Club.

Salute to Boris Spassky Chess Tournament July 19-20, 2014

4 Round Swiss System Tournament.

Time Control: All Rounds: 40/90, G/30; inc/30.

Site: The Inn at Palmer Divide, 443 CO State Highway 105,

Palmer Lake, CO 80133.

Sections: Open (open to all), U1800, U1400.

Entry Fee: \$50; Pre-registration entry fee: \$45, which must be

paid at the time of pre-registration.

Go to www.GentlemensChessClub.com for pre-registration entry

form.

Prizes: Cash prizes based on entries.

Registration: Saturday, July 19th: 8:30-9:30am. **Rounds:** Saturday, July 19th: 10:00am, 4:00pm; Sunday, July 20th: 9:00am, 3:00pm.

Entries: Fred Spell. **Phone:** (719) 491-1040.

E-mail: GentlemensChessClub@hotmail.com. Send pre-registrations with checks payable to:

Fred Spell, 16845 Buffalo Valley Path, Monument, CO 80132. Pre-registrations must be received and paid in full by July 16th

Free morning coffee (while supply lasts) will be available. Wheelchair accessible. USCF membership required.

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in order to qualify for the reduced entry fee.

For more information & additional listings on upcoming Colorado events, please visit the CSCA website at www.ColoradoChess.com.







This is a picture of Sullivan McConnell, six years old, who was the delight of the Denver Open. *Picture by Stephen Wilson*.

The final standings of the Denver Open can be found at this link: http://www.uschess.org/component/option,com_wrapper/Itemid,201/

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Make checks payable to the CSCA. Send payment & this completed form to: Richard Buchanan 1 Sutherland Road Manitou Springs, CO 80829