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From The Editor

Happy New Year everyone! I hope everybody had a fun and safe time during the holiday season. I'm guessing that a lot of you received many new chess books and chess sets for presents. You didn't, you say? Ah, neither did I. I suppose this is not the time of year to think about chess presents, but oh well. If some of you did get chess presents, I'm happy for you.

I want to thank all who have written to me with suggestions for the Informant, I appreciate it. All were positive and reassuring, keep the emails coming. I do read them all. As with any new undertaking there were a few glitches with the last issue, none of which compared to the glitch the USPS did with a number of issues not showing up on time. I have no idea what happened. I even received my issue two weeks late. I'd like to think that the postal carrier for my street took it home to read for a while but I have no proof. Hopefully everything will go smoothly this time. If you have any delivery delay, please email Randy Reynolds and he will resolve it to the best of his ability.

A lot of good articles in this issue. Plenty of game scores to go over along with some good annotated articles. Be sure to take a look at the *PC Brokers Chess Challenge* on page 20. You just might save a few bucks on your computer needs.

Again, keep those emails coming as well as your articles because everyone can benefit from sharing thoughts or ideas.

May Caissa be with you.

Fred Eric Spell



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President's Report

Hello Colorado chess players! Welcome to another year of Colorado chess. I and the new CSCA Board are excited to represent you. We promise to do our best to promote Colorado chess during the upcoming year. I will be continuing the email newsletter started last year by Klaus Johnson to report on results of previous CO Tour events, announcements for upcoming CO events, and any new information about CO chess in general. If you'd like to receive this email newsletter, please send an email to lee.lahti@comcast.net and I will add you to the mailing list.

The new CSCA board met for the first time on October 4th. We are just starting to formulate plans on what I anticipate will be an exciting year of chess in Colorado. I will report more on what we hope to accomplish in the next newsletter and upcoming Informant. For now I want to echo the words of our former CSCA President: I want to say that there are only seven people on the CSCA board. We will work hard to improve and promote Colorado chess this year but we cannot do it all by ourselves. We need organizers to organize tournaments, directors to direct them, and players to play in them. If you have ideas to improve or promote Colorado chess, we want to hear them. Please come and see me or any other member of the board at an upcoming event if you have something constructive to say. You can also always send me or anyone else on the board an email voicing your ideas or concerns.

Lee Lahti
CSCA President



"The Chess Players"
by Pam Cook

Jerry Maier: Colorado Chess Volunteer First Quarter 2010

Selected by CSCA President Lee Lahti

The first volunteer of the quarter for 2010 is Jerry Maier. His tireless efforts in organizing, directing and promoting chess tournaments has earned him this award.

His willingness to help out with assisting other tournament directors and organizers is greatly appreciated and well known. I know from personal experience that his guidance in helping me get the first Monument Open going was invaluable. Just look at the 'Upcoming Tournaments' section of this magazine and you will see his name listed on a number of tournaments.

He has been more than willing to direct or assist tournaments all along the front range of Colorado. At one time he was directing tournaments in the Denver area, Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs and Pueblo, all within the same month!

As a tournament director his demeanor is one of calm and forthrightness. For example, during one tournament, one player did not know the proper procedure for offering a draw so when the situation arose he knew how to instruct the player properly and the situation was resolved calmly.

Jerry loves the game and loves to play. It is always tough to play when directing a tournament but when the opportunity presents itself he is more than thrilled to jump in and be the even numbered player in a section.

Jerry started directing local tournaments a few years ago when he was asked to direct the Wednesday night monthly tournaments at *Poor Richard's*. He had some previous experience directing back east and so he decided to take on this one. He hasn't stopped yet. He continues directing this same tournament, (though now it has moved to the *East Coast Deli*), almost two years now, as well as many others.

Though the number of events has dwindled recently, he still has a full plate on his busy chess schedule, and on top of all this, he was elected Vice-President of the CSCA last September. Thanks Jerry for all that you are doing for chess in Colorado. I and many others appreciate all your hard work!

Fred Eric Spell
Editor, CCI



Winter Springs Open

by Richard Buchanan, TD

“Snowy” was the word for the weekend of December 5th & 6th, 2009. But the Winter Springs Open in Manitou Springs still brought in 31 players for four rounds of chess at slow time controls, and despite some early departures, good times prevailed.

The 6-player August section for U1400 was handily won by Isaac Martinez, whose play has been noticeably improving. Half a point behind Isaac’s 3 points were Ken Johnson and Victor Creazzi in a tie for second place. Part of Ken’s score came from a third round stalemate shared with Dan Rusch.

Cory Foster led the 12 players in the July Section (U1800) with the tournament’s only 3.5 score, half a point ahead of Rhett Langseth and Eric Barkemeyer.

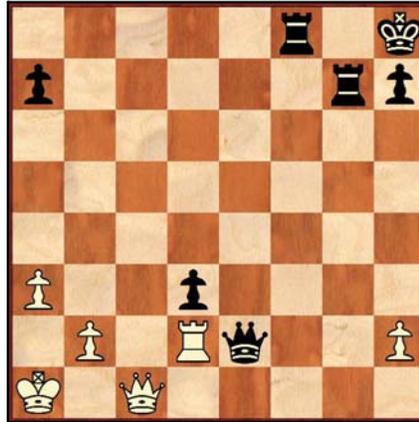
The June section was honored by the presence of Colorado Springs’ newest Expert, Nino (Nia) Neilson. She comes from Georgia (the one in Europe, famous for the strength of its women chess players) and in her teen years earned the title of Women’s FIDE Master. She had a rough start, pulling draws out of bad positions, but then settled down to win her Sunday games. Her 3-1 score tied her for first with Jeff Baffo and Paul Anderson.

David Logan earned the thanks of everyone Sunday morning when he brought in a large supply of hot coffee from our friends at *Spice of Life*. The tournament went smoothly and had a lot of hard fought games. The endgame play was especially interesting in one game after another.

Nia Neilson
Jeff Serna

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 f5?! 4.Bxg8 Rxg8 5.d3 Bc5 6.Bg5 Be7 7.Bxe7 Qxe7 8.Nc3 d6 9.Nd5 Qd8 10.Qd2 Be6 11.O-O-O Bxd5 12.exd5 Ne7 13.Rhe1 Nxd5 14.Nd4 Ne7 15.Nb3 Qd7 16.f4 exf4 17.Rxe7+? (*I don't see the point of this.*) Kxe7 18.Qxf4 g5 19.Qc4 Rae8 20.Na5 c6 21.Qd4 c5 22.Qd5 Qe6 23.Qxb7+ Kf6 24.Nc4 Rg7 25.Qb5 d5 26.Nd6? Rd8 27.Nxf5 Kxf5 28.Qxc5 Re7

29.Kb1 Rc8 30.Qb4 Qe2 31.Rc1 Rec7 32.g4+ Kg6 33.Qd6+ Kg7 34.c3 Qxd3+ 35.Ka1 Rf7 36.Qe5+ Kg8 37.Qxg5+ Rg7 38.Qf6 Rf8 39.Qe6+ Kh8 40. a3 Qd2 41.Re1 Rb8 42.Re2 Qd1+ 43.Ka2 Qb3+ 44.Ka1 d4! 45.c4 d3 46.Rd2 Rf8 47.Qe1 Qxc4 48.Qd1 Qxg4 (*48...Rgf7 0-1*) 49.Qc1 Qe2? (*An attractive idea, but no good. The rooks are overworked.*)



50.Rxe2 dxe2 51.Ka2 Re7 52.Qc3+ Kg8 53.Qc4+ Rff7 54.Qc8+ Rf8 55.Qg4+ Kf7 56.Qf5+ Kg8 57.Qg5+ Rg7 58.Qd5+ Kh8 59.Qe5 Rf2 60.Qe8+ Rg8 1/2-1/2

DuWayne Langseth
Paul Connors

1.d4 Nf6 2.e3 d5 3.f4 c5 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.c3 Bf5 6.Bd3 Bxd3 7.Qxd3 e6 8.Nbd2 cxd4 9.exd4 Be7 10.Qe2 Qb6 11.Ne5 Nxe5 12.fxex5 Nd7 13.Nf3 h6 14.Be3 0-0-0 15.0-0 Rdf8 16.Rfc1 Kb8 17.b4 Rc8 18.a4 Qa6 19.Qxa6 bxa6 20.Nd2 Nb6 21.Kf2 Nc4 22.Nxc4 Rxc4 23.a5 f5 24.exf6 gxf6 25.Ke2 Kc7 26.Kd3 h5 27.Rf1 Rg8 28.Bf4+ Kd7 29.Rf2 Rgc8 30.Bd2 Rg8 31.Re1 f5 32.Re3 Bg5 33.Rg3 Bxd2 34.Rxg8 Bxc3 35.Rc2 Bxb4 36.Rxc4 dxc4+ 37.Kxc4 Bxa5 38.Rh8 Bb6 39.Rxh5 Kd6 40.Rh6 Ke7 41.Rh7+ Kf6 42.h4 Kg6 43.Re7 Kf6 44.Re8 Kf7 45.Rc8 a5 46.h5 a4 47.h6 Kg6 48.Rc6 Kxh6 49.Rxe6+ Kg5 50.d5 Kf4 51.Re2 a3 52.d6 Kg3 53.d7 f4 54.Kb3 Bc7 55.Kxa3 Bb6 56.Ka4 Bc7 57.Kb5 1-0

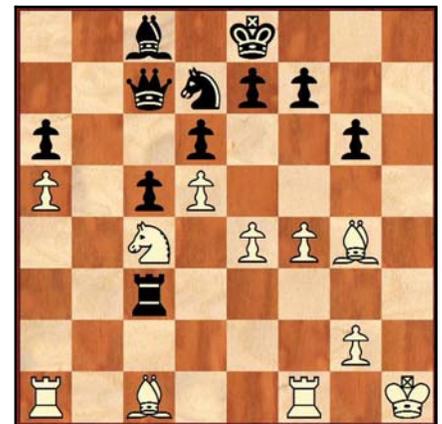
Paul Anderson
Tim Martinson

1.c4 c6 2.Nc3 d5 3.cxd5 cxd5 4.d4 Nf6 5.g3 Bf5 6.Bg2 e6 7.Nf3 h6 8.Bf4 Qb6 9.0-0 Qxb2 10.Qa4+ Nfd7 11.Nb5 Na6 12.Rfc1 Be7 13.Nd6+ Bxd6 14.Bxd6 f6 15.Nh4 Bh7 16.Bf3 g5 17.Bh5+ Kd8 18.Ng6 Bxg6 19.Bxg6 Rc8 20.Rxc8+

Kxc8 21.Rb1 Nb6 22.Rxb2 Nxa4 23.Rb3 Nb6 24.Be7 f5 25.h4 Kd7 26.Bf6 Rf8 27.hxg5 hxg5 28.Be5 g4 29.f3 gxf3 30.exf3 Rc8 31.a4 Kc6 32.Rc3+ Nc4 33.g4 fxg4 34.fxg4 Rg8 35.Bh5 Kd7 36.Bf4 b6 37.Kg2 Nb4 38.Kg3 Nd6 39.Kf3 Nc6 40.Ke3 Nc4+ 41.Kd3 Nb2+ 42.Ke3 Nd1+ 43.Kd2 Nxc3 44.Kxc3 Rf8 45.Be3 Na5 46.g5 Nc4 47.Bc1 Rf1 48.Kc2 Rg1 49.Be2 Nd6 50.Be3 Rg2 51.Kd3 Ne4 52.Bf3 Rg3 53.Bxe4 dxe4+ 54.Kxe4 Ke7 55.Bd2 Kf7 56.Ke5 Rg2 57.Bf4 Ra2 58.g6+ Kxg6 59.Kxe6 Rxa4 60.Be5 b5 61.d5 Re4 62.d6 Rxe5+ 63.Kxe5 Kf7 64.Kd5 b4 65.Kc6 b3 66.d7 b2 67.d8Q b1Q 68.Qd7+ Kf6 69.Qxa7 Qe4+ 70.Kc7 Qe7+ 71.Kb6 Qxa7+ 72.Kxa7 1/2-1/2

Gerry Morris
Anthea Carson

1.d4 c5 2.d5 d6 3.c4 b5 4.cxb5 a6 5.b6 Nd7 6.Nc3 Nxb6 7.e4 g6 8.Be2 Bg7 9.Nf3 Qc7 10.0-0 Nf6 11.Nd2 h5 12.a4 Ng4 13.h3 Nh6 14.a5 Nd7 15.Nc4 Rb8 16.f4 Bd4+ 17.Kh1 Ng4 18.Qe1 Rb4 19.Qh4 Rb3 20.hxg4 hxg4 21.Qxh8+ Bxh8 22.Bxg4 Bxc3 23.bxc3 Rxc3



24.Be2 Nf6 25.Bb2 Rb3 26.Bf3 Nh5 27.Bxh5 gxh5 28.e5 dxe5 29.Bxe5 Qd7 30.Nb6 Qg4 31.Nxc8 Qxc8 32.Rab1 Qb7 33.Rxb3 Qxb3 34.Rf3 Qxd5 35.Rh3 c4 36.Kh2 f6 37.Bc3 Kd7 38.Rf3 h4 39.Kh3 Qh5 40.f5 Qg5 41.Be1 Qc1 42.Bc3 Qh1+ 43.Kg4 Qxg2+ 44.Kf4 Qg5+ 45.Ke4 Qg4+ 46.Ke3 h3 47.Be1 h2 48.Rg3 Qxg3+ 0-1

Mike Martinson
Dan Rusch

1.c4 e5 2.g3 Nf6 3.Bg2 Bc5 4.Nc3 c6 5.e3 0-0 6.Nge2 d5 7.cxd5 cxd5 8.d4 exd4 9.Nxd4 a6 10.0-0 Nc6 11.Nb3 Ba7

12.Nxd5 Nxd5 13.Bxd5 Ne5 14.Bg2 Qxd1 15.Rxd1 Bg4 16.Rd5 Nf3+ 17.Kh1 Rad8 18.e4 Rxd5 19.exd5 Ne5 20.Be3 Bb8 21.h3 Bf3 22.Nc5 Bxg2+ 23.Kxg2 Rc8 24.Rd1 Ba7 25.Nxb7 Bxe3 26.fxe3 Rc2+ 27.Kf1 Nf3 28.d6 Nh2+ 1/2-1/2

**Jeff Csima
DuWayne Langseth**

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e3 0-0 6.Nf3 b6 7.cxd5 Nxd5 8.Bxe7 Qxe7 9.Nxd5 exd5 10.Bd3 Qb4+ 11.Qd2 Qxd2+ 12.Kxd2 Bb7 13.Rac1 c6 14.Rc2 g6 15.Rhc1 Nd7 16.e4 c5 17.e5 c4 18.Be2 b5 19.b4 a5 20.Rb1 Bc6 21.a3 axb4 22.axb4 Ra3 23.Ng1 Rfa8 24.Rc3 Nf8 25.Bg4 h5 26.Bh3 Ra2+ 27.Rc2 R8a3 28.Ne2 Ra1 29.Rxa1 Rxa1 30.Rc1 Rxc1 31.Kxc1 Kg7 32.Nf4 Kh6 33.e6 fxe6 34.Bxe6 Nxe6 35.Nxe6 g5 36.Kd2

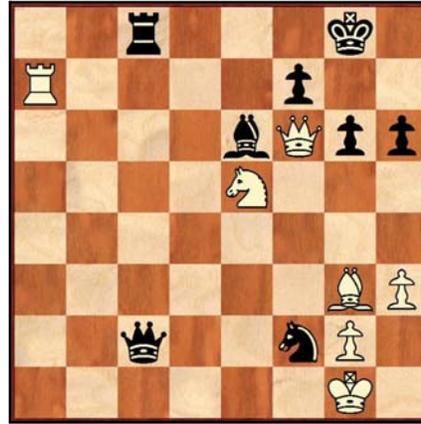


Kg6 37.Ke3 Kf6 38.Nc5 Kf5 39.h3 Kf6 40.f4 Kf5 41.fxg5 Kxg5 42.Ne6+ Kf6 43.Nf4 h4 44.Ne2 Kg5 45.Nc3 Kf5 46.Kf3 Kg5 47.g3 hxg3 48.Kxg3 Kf5 49.h4 Be8 50.Kf3 Bc6 51.Nd1 Be8 52.Ne3+ Ke6 53.Kf4 c3 54.Kg5 Bf7 55.Ng2 c2 56.Nf4+ Ke7 57.Nd3 Ke6 58.h5 Bxh5! (After 59.Kxh5 Kf5, Black's king will start feeding.) 1/2-1/2

**Jeff Baffo
Nia Neilson**

1.Nc3 e5 2.d4 exd4 3.Qxd4 Nc6 4.Qa4 h6 5.Nf3 Nf6 6.e4 Bb4 7.a3 Bxc3+ 8.bxc3 0-0 9.Bd3 d6 10.0-0 Bd7 11.Qb3 Be6 12.Qxb7 Na5 13.Qa6 c5 14.e5 Ne8 15.exd6 Nxd6 16.Bf4 Ndc4 17.Rfd1 Qf6 18.Bg3 Qxc3 19.Qb5 Nxa3 20.Qa4 N5c4 21.Qc6 Rac8 22.Qe4 g6 23.Qh4 Qg7 24.Bxc4 Nxc4 25.Rxa7 Ra8 26.Qe7 Rxa7 27.Qxa7 Qc3 28.Qxc5 Qxc2 29.Qd4 Nb2 30.Ra1 Rc8 31.h3 Kh7 32.Qf6 Nd3 33.Ra7 Kg8 34.Ne5 (Black is in trouble.

Threats include 35.Rxf7, 35.Nxg6, and 35.Ng4, and trading knights is of course out of the question.) 34...Nxf2! (A diversionary tactic, with threats of her own.)



35.Bxf2 Qf5 36.Qxf5 gxf5 37.Bh4 Kg7 38.Ra3 Kh7 39.Bf6 Rg8 40.Rd3 Rc8 41.Rg3 Rg8 42.Rxg8 Kxg8 43.Nd3 Kh7 44.Nf4 Bd7 45.Kf2 Bc8 46.Ke3 Kg8 47.Kd4 Kh7 48.Ke5 Kg8 49.Kd6 Bb7 50.g3 Be4 51.Ke5 Bc2 52.Nd5 Bb3 53.Ne7+ Kh7 54.Kxf5 Be6+ 55.Kf4 Bxh3 56.g4 Bf1 57.Kg3 Bd3 58.Kh4 Bg6 59.Nf5 h5! 1/2-1/2

**Tim Martinson
Paul Connors**

1.e4 c6 2.d4 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.Bc4 d5 5.exd5 cxd5 6.Bb5+ Bd7 7.Bxd7+ Nxd7 8.Nc3 Ngf6 9.0-0 0-0 10.Be3 Nb6 11.Nd2 Qd7 12.Re1 Rac8 13.Nb3 Nc4 14.Nc5 Qc6 15.Bc1 b6 16.Nd3 Ne4 17.Nb4 Qf6 18.Nbxd5 Qxf2+ 19.Kh1 Nxc3 20.Nxe7+ Kh8 21.bxc3 Rce8 22.Bg5 f6 23.Rf1 fxg5 24.Rxf2 Rxf2 25.Qe1 Ref8 26.Kg1 R2f7 27.Qe2 Nd6 28.Nd5 Nf5 29.Re1 Nh4 30.Nb4 Nf5 31.Nd3 Nd6 32.Ne5 Rf4 33.Qa6 Ne4 34.g3 1-0

**Jeff Serna
Paul Anderson**

1.e4 c6 2.d4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.Bc4 d6 5.Nf3 b5 6.Bb3 b4 7.Ne2 Nf6 8.e5 dxe5 9.Nxe5 0-0 10.Bf4 Nd5 11.Bxd5 cxd5 12.Nd3 Nc6 13.Qd2 a5 14.c3 Qb6 15.Bh6 Ba6 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.h4 e5 18.Nc5 bxc3 19.bxc3 exd4 20.cxd4 Rfe8 21.Nxa6 Qxa6 22.h5 Kh8 23.hxg6 fxg6 24.Kd1 Nb4 25.Rh3 Rac8 26.Re3 Rf8 27.Rf3 Rxf3 28.gxf3 Nd3 29.Qe3 Qb5 30.Nc1 Nb2+ 0-1

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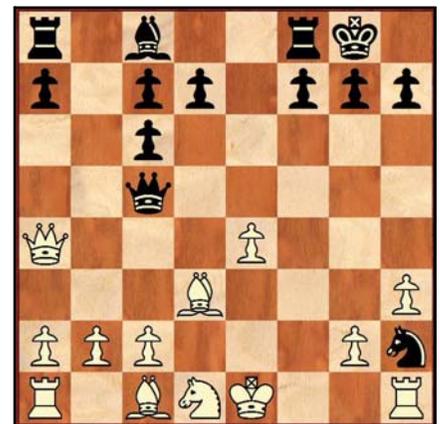
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**Brady Barkemeyer
Rhett Langseth**

1.d4 d6 2.e3 c6 3.a3 Nf6 4.c4 g6 5.b4 Bg7 6.Bb2 Bf5 7.Bd3 Qc8 8.Qc2 Bxd3 9.Qxd3 h5 10.Nf3 Nbd7 11.Nbd2 Qc7 12.Rd1 0-0 13.0-0 Rae8 14.Nb3 e5 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Qc2 e4 17.Nfd4 Ng4 18.g3 Nde5 19.Nc5 h4 20.h3 hxg3 21.Bc1 Nxf2 22.Rde1 Nf3+ 23.Kg2 Nh4+ 24.Kg1 Nhx3+ 25.Kh1 g2+ 26.Qxg2 Nxg2 27.Kxg2 Bxd4 28.exd4 Qc8 29.Rh1 Qg4+ 30.Kh2 Kg7 31.Bb2 Nf4 32.d5+ f6 33.Bxf6+ Kf7 34.Rhg1 Qh3# 0-1

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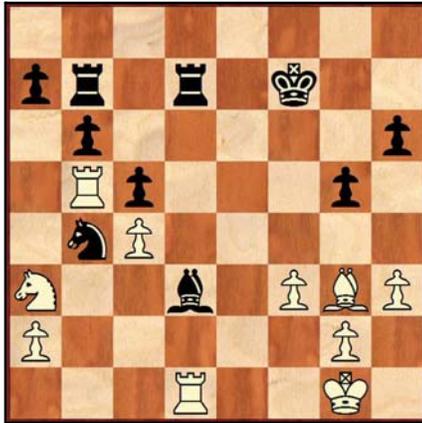
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14.Be3 Qe5 15.Qd4 Qg3+ 16.Bf2 Qxg2 17.Rg1 Nf3+ 18.Ke2 Nxg1+ (No hurry - the lady can wait.) 19.Ke3 (Get it over with.) 19...Qg5# 0-1

**Dean Brown
Alexa Lasley**

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 exd4 4.Bc4 Bb4+
5.c3 dxc3 6.bxc3 Bc5 7.Bxf7+ Kxf7
8.Qd5+ Ke8 9.Qxc5 Nf6 10.e5 d6
11.exd6 Qxd6 12.Qe3+ Qe6 13.0-0 Qxe3
14.Bxe3 Bf5 15.Na3 Rd8 16.Nb5 Nd5
17.Bg5 Rd7 18.Rfe1+ Kf7 19.c4 Ndb4
20.Ne5+ Nxe5 21.Rxe5 Bd3 22.Na3 h6
23.Bh4 g5 24.Bg3 Rhd8 25.h3 b6
26.Rb5?! c5! 27.f3 Rb7 28.Rd1 Rdd7



29.Be1 a6 30.Rxb4 cxb4 31.Bxb4 Rbc7
32.Be1 Ke6 33.Bg3 Rc6 34.Re1+ Kf5
35.Rd1 Ke6 36.Re1+ Kf7 37.Rd1 Ke8
38.Bf2 Bxc4 39.Rxd7 Kxd7 40.Nxc4
Rxc4 41.Bxb6 Ra4 42.a3 Rxa3 43.Bd4
Rd3 44.Bg7 Rd6 45.Kf2 Re6 46.g4 a5
47.Kg2 a4 48.h4 a3 49.hxg5 hxg5 50.f4
Re3 0-1

**Victor Creazzi
Dan Rusch**

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nxe5 d6 4.Nf3 Nxe4
5.Nc3 Nxc3 6.dxc3 Nc6 7.b4 Bg4 8.Be2
Be7 9.Nd4 Bxe2 10.Qxe2 0-0 11.0-0 Bf6
12.Be3 Re8 13.Qd2 Ne5 14.Rae1 Nc4
15.Qd1 Nxe3 16.fxe3 c5 17.Nb5 Be5
18.e4 a6 19.Na3 Bxc3 20.Re2 b5 21.Nb1
Bd4+ 22.Kh1 Ra7 23.c3 Be5 24.Qd5
cxb4 25.cxb4 Qh4 26.h3 Qg3 27.Kg1
Qh2+ 28.Kf2 Bg3+ 29.Ke3 Be5 30.Rf3
Qg1+ 31.Ref2 Qe1+ 32.Re2 Qxb1
33.Ref2 Qc1+ 34.Rd2 Bc3 35.Rff2
Bxd2+ ... 0-1

**Anthea Carson
Jeff Csima**

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.g3 b6 4.Bg2 Bb7
5.0-0 Be7 6.Nc3 0-0 7.d3 d5 8.cxd5
Nxd5 9.e4 Nb4 10.d4 c5 11.Be3 cxd4
12.Nxd4 N8c6 13.Nxc6 Bxc6 14.Qg4 f5
15.Qe2 Qd3 16.Qh5 g6 17.Qh3 Bf6
18.Rfd1 Qa6 19.Bf1 Qc8 20.Bc4 Bxe4

21.Nxe4 Qxc4 22.Nxf6+ Rxf6 23.Rac1
Qg4 24.Qg2 Qe4 25.Qxe4 fxe4 26.Rc4
Nd3 27.Rxe4 Nc5 28.Bxc5 bxc5 29.b3
Re8 30.Rc1 Rf5 31.Rec4 Rd8 32.Rxc5
Rd7 33.Rc8+ Kf7 34.R8c7 Rfd5 35.R1c2
Kf6 36.Kg2 h5 37.h4 a5 38.a3 Rxc7
39.Rxc7 Rd3 40.Rb7 Rc3 41.Rb5 a4
42.bxa4 Rxa3 43.Ra5 e5 44.f3 Ra2+
45.Kf1 Ke6 46.Ra6+ Kf5 47.Ra8 Ra1+
48.Ke2 Ra2+ 49.Kd3 Ra3+ 50.Ke2 Ra2+
51.Ke3 Ra3+ 52.Kf2 1/2-1/2

**Ted Doykos
Don Wisdom**

1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.c3 d3 4.Bxd3 Nc6
5.c4 d6 6.Nc3 Nf6 7.Nge2 g6 8.f3 Bg7
9.Be3 0-0 10.Qd2 Ne5 11.Rd1 Nxd3+
12.Qxd3 Nd7 13.f4 Qa5 14.a3 Nc5
15.Qc2 Nd7 16.0-0 Nf6 17.Nd5 Nxd5
18.Rxd5 Qc7 19.Rc1 Be6 20.Rd2 a6
21.c5 dxc5 22.Qxc5 Qxc5 23.Bxc5 Rfe8
24.Nd4 Red8 25.Rcd1 Bg4 26.Nf3 Rxd2
27.Rxd2 Bxf3 28.gxf3 e6 29.b3 Bh6
30.Rd7 b5 31.Bd6 Bf8 32.Kf2 Bxd6
33.Rxd6 Kf8 34.e5 Ke7 35.b4 h6 36.Ke3
f6 37.Rc6 Ra7 38.Rd6 fxe5 39.fxe5 g5
40.Kf2 h5 41.Kg3 Ra8 42.h3 Rf8
43.Rxa6 Rf5 44.Ra5 Rxe5 45.a4 Kf6
46.Rxb5 Rxb5 47.axb5 Ke7 48.h4 gxh4+
49.Kxh4 1-0

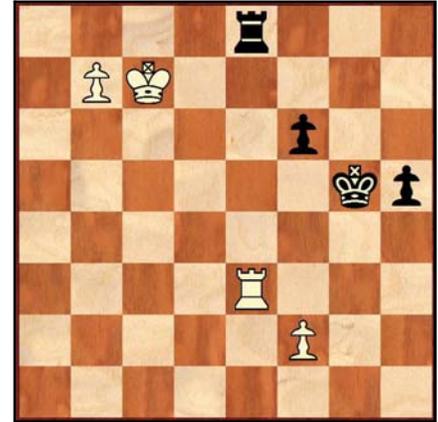
**Cory Foster
Brady Barkemeyer**

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5.Nc3 a6 6.Qd2 b5 7.a3 Bb7 8.Bd3 c5
9.dxc5 dxc5 10.e5 Nd5 11.Be4 Bxg5
12.Nxg5 Nd7 13.Nxd5 Bxd5 14.Bxd5
exd5 15.Qxd5 Nxe5? 16.Qxe5+ Qe7
17.Qxe7+ Kxe7 18.0-0 f6 19.Ne4 c4
20.Rfe1 Kf7 21.Rad1 Ra7 22.Nd6+ Kg6
23.h4 Rd8 24.g4 h6 25.Kg2 Rad7 26.h5+
Kh7 27.Re6 a5 28.Kf3 a4 29.Ke2 b4!?



(A valiant try, aiming for a passed pawn

at any cost.) 30.Re8? Rxe8+ 31.Nxe8
Re7+ 32.Kf3 Rxe8 33.axb4 c3 34.bxc3
Rc8 35.Ra1 Rxc3+ 36.Kg2 a3 37.b5 Rc4
38.Rxa3 Rxc3+ 39.Kf3 Rc4 (39...Rb4 40
Rb3!) 40.b6 Rxc2 41.Rb3 Rc8 42.b7 Rb8
43.Ke4 g6 44.hxg6+ Kxg6 45.Kd5 h5
46.Kc6 Kg5 47.Kc7 Re8 48.Re3



(Cory loses a lot of time trying to keep the new queen - impossible, as Brady shows.

After 48.b8Q, the f-pawn will make it hard for Black to hold, e.g. 48...Rxb8 49.Rxb8 Kg4 50.Rb3 h4 51.Kd6 h3 52.Rg3+ Kh4 53.Rg1 h2 54.Rh1 Kh3 55.Ke6 Kg2 56.Rxh2+ Kxh2 57.f4)

48...Rf8 49.Re7 Kg4 50.Rd7 f5 51.Kb6
Rb8 52.Rg7+ Kf4 53.Ka7 Rh8 54.Rc7
Kf3 55.Rc8 Rh7 56.Kb6 Rxb7+ 57.Kxb7
h4 58.Rh8 Kxf2! 59.Rxh4 Kg3 (The sav-
ing resource.) 60.Rc4 f4 61.Rc3+ Kg2
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**Jerry Keker
Alexa Lasley**

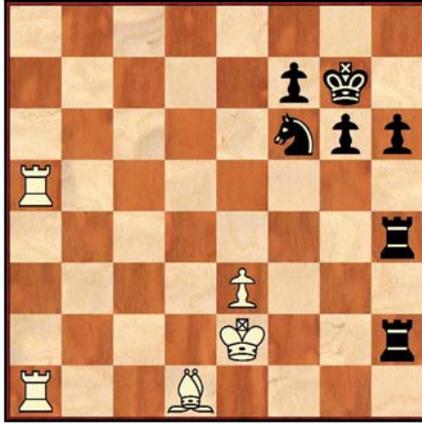
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Bxd5 12.c3 Rfe8 13.Qf2 Bd6 14.Qh4
Qxh4 15.Nxh4 g5 16.Nf5 Rad8 17.c4
Be4 18.Bxe4 Rxe4 19.Nxd6 Rxd6 20.d5
Rxc4 21.dxc6 Rxd2 22.cxb7 Rxb2
23.Rab1 Rcb4 0-1

**Jeff Csima
Nia Neilson**

(The other Jeffs gave Nia trouble, but this time she shows no mercy.)

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e3 h6 6.Bh4
b6 7.cxd5 Nxd5 8.Bxe7 Qxe7 9.Nxd5
exd5 10.Nf3 0-0 11.Bd3 Bg4 12.0-0 Nd7
13.h3 Bh5 14.Bf5 Bxf3 15.Qxf3 Nf6
16.Rac1 c5 17.dxc5 bxc5 18.b3 a5 19.a4
g6 20.Bd3 Rfc8 21.Qf4 Kg7 22.g4 Rab8

23.Rc3 d4! 24.Rc2 Rxb3 25.Bc4 Ra3
26.exd4 cxd4 27.Qxd4 Rd8 28.Qb6 Rxa4
29.Re2 Qd6 30.Qxd6 Rxd6 31.Bb5 Rb4
32.Re5 Rb6 33.Bd3 Rb3 34.Bc2 Rc3
35.Ba4 Rb4 36.Ra1 Rxh3 37.Bd1 Nxc4
38.Rexa5 Nf6 39.f3 Rbh4 40.Kf2 Rh2+



41.Ke3 Rh1 42.Ra7 Rb4 43.Kd3 Rhh4
44.Rc1 Rhd4+ 45.Ke2 Nd5 46.Ke1 Rb6
47.Rd7 Re6+ 48.Kf2 Rd2+ 49.Kg3 Re1
50.Bb3 Rxc1 51.Bxd5 Rxd5 52.Rxd5 Rc3
53.Rd6 g5 54.Kg4 Rc4+ 55.Kg3 f6
56.Ra6 Kg6 57.Rb6 h5 58.Ra6 Rc3
59.Kg2 g4 0-1

Paul Anderson
Ted Doykos

1.c4 c6 2.e3 Nf6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Nf3 e6
5.Qc2 Be7 6.b3 a6 7.Bb2 b5 8.d3 Bb7
9.Be2 b4 10.Na4 dxc4 11.Qxc4 a5
12.Nc5 Bxc5 13.Qxc5 Qd5 14.Rc1 Qxc5
15.Rxc5 Nbd7 16.Rc2 0-0 17.0-0 Rac8
18.Rfc1 c5 19.Ne5 Ba6 20.Nc4 Ra8
21.Bf3 Nd5 22.Kf1 Bb5 23.Ke2 Rfd8
24.Nd6 Bc6 25.Ne4 a4 26.Nxc5 axb3
27.axb3 Nc3+ 28.Bxc3 Bxf3+ 29.gxf3
Nxc5 30.Bxg7 Nxb3 31.Rg1 Rac8
32.Bc3+ Kf8 33.Bxb4+ Ke8 34.Rxc8
Rxc8 35.Rg8+ Kd7 36.Rxc8 Kxc8
37.Kd1 1-0

Anthea Carson
David Logan

(David's accurate play keeps Anthea out of the tie for first place.) 1.Nf3 d5 2.c4 e6
3.cxd5 exd5 4.g3 Nf6 5.Bg2 Bd6 6.0-0
c5 7.d3 0-0 8.Nc3 a6 9.Bg5 Be7 10.Rc1
b6 11.Nd2 Bb7 12.Qb3 Nbd7 13.Na4 b5
14.Bxf6 Bxf6 15.Nxc5 Nxc5 16.Rxc5
Qe7 17.Rfc1 Qxe2 18.Nf3 Qxb2 19.Qd1
Rac8 20.d4 Rxc5 21.dxc5 Bc6 22.Rc2
Qa1 23.Qxa1 Bxa1 24.Rc1 Bf6 25.Nd2
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29.Bxd5 Rxc5 30.Nb3 Rc7 31.Bc4 Rxc4

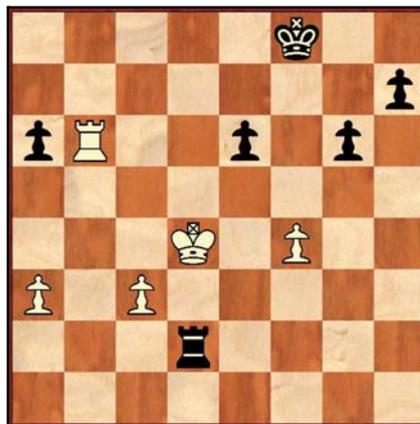
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41.Nc5+ Kc6! 42.axb4 Bxb4 43.Nd3+
Kb5 44.Rxb4+ Rxb4 45.Nxb4 Kxb4
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Eric Barkemeyer
Matt Lasley

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18.Ne6 Ne4 19.Nxf8 Rxf8 20.f3 Nxc3
21.a4 Be5 22.Bb2 Re8 23.Kd2 Nxe2
24.Bxe5 Rxe5 25.Kxe2 d4 26.e4 Bh5
27.g4 Bxg4 28.fxg4 Rxe4+ 29.Kd2 Rxg4
30.Rag1 Rf4 31.Rf1 Rh4 32.Rf8+ Kd7
33.Rf7+ Kc6 34.Rxg7 Rh3 35.Rg3 Rh4
36.h3 Rf4 37.Re1 Rf2+ 38.Re2 c3+
39.Kd3 Rf4 40.Re4 c2 41.Rg1 Rf3+
42.Kxc2 d3+ 43.Kd2 Kd5 44.Re3 Rxe3
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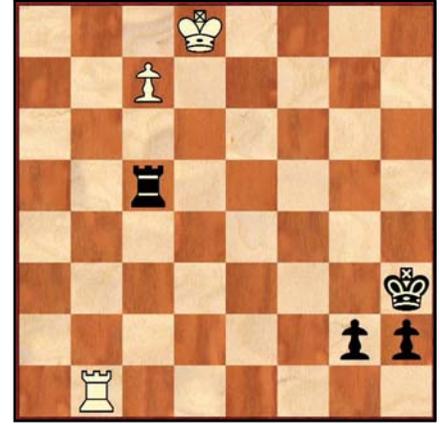
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Nfd7 9.Bc4 Bb4 10.Rd3 b5 11.Bb3 Nc5
12.Rd4 Bxc3+ 13.bxc3 Bb7 14.Be3 Ncd7
15.Rg4 g6 16.Ng5 Nxe5 17.Rf4 Bxg2
18.Rg1 Bd5 19.Bd4 Nbd7 20.Nxf7 Nxf7
21.Bxh8 Nxh8 22.c4 bxc4 23.Bxc4 Bxc4
24.Rxc4 Ne5 25.Rc3 Rb8 26.f4 Nd7
27.Rxc7 Rb2 28.Rc8+ Kf7 29.Rxh8 Nf8
30.Kd2 Kg7 31.Rxf8 Kxf8 32.a3 Ra2
33.Rg3 Ra1 34.Rb3 Rf1 35.Ke3 Rh1
36.Rb6 Rxh2 37.c3 Rc2 38.Kd4 Rd2+



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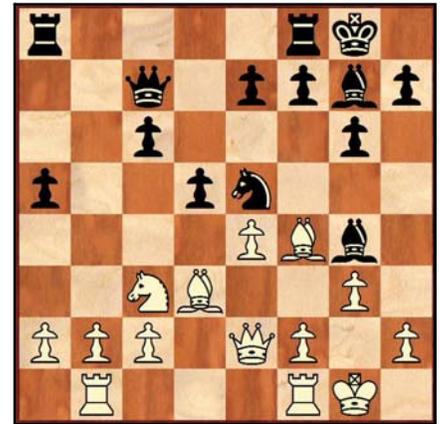
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52.Rh7+ Ke6 53.Kd8 Rd3+ 54.Rd7 Rc3
55.c7 h2 56.Rd1 Kf5 57.Rh1 g3 58.Ra1
Kg4 59.Ra4+ Kh3 60.Ra1 Rc5 61.Rb1 g2



62.Rb3+ Kg4 63.Rb4+ Kf3 64.Rb3+ Ke4
65.Rb4+ Kd3 66.Rb3+ Kc2 67.Rh3 h1Q
68.Rxh1 gxh1Q 69.Kd7 Qd5+ 70.Kc8
Ra5 71.Kb8 Qa8# 0-1

Jerry Maier
Dean Brown

1.Nf3 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.Nxd4 Nc6 4.Nxc6
bxc6 5.e3 g6 6.Bd2 Bg7 7.Nc3 Nf6 8.Rb1
0-0 9.Bd3 a5 10.0-0 Qc7 11.Qe2 d5
12.e4 Ng4 13.g3 Ne5 14.Bf4 Bg4



15.Bxe5 (or 15.Qxg4, 1-0) 15...Bxe2
16.Bxc7 Bxf1 17.Kxf1 Ra7 18.Bb6 Rb7
19.Na4 Rfb8 20.Bxa5 Ra7 21.b4 Rxa5
22.bxa5 Rxb1+ 23.Kg2 Rb4 24.Nc5 Rb8
25.a6 Ra8 26.Nd7 Ra7 27.Nb8 dxe4
28.Bxe4 Be5 29.Nxc6 Rxa6 30.Nxe5 Re6
31.f4 f6 32.Bd5 1-0



WINTER SPRINGS OPEN

December 5th & 6th, 2009

Final Standings

JUNE SECTION		Rating	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Score
1	Nino Neilson	2017P	D11	D3	W8	W5	3.0
2	Paul Anderson	1966	D7	W11	H	W9	3.0
3	Jeffrey Baffo	1877	W8	D1	W6	H	3.0
4	Anthea Carson	1756	W13	H	D5	D8	2.5
5	Jeffrey Csima	1883	W9	D6	D4	L1	2.0
6	DuWayne Langseth	1859	W12	D5	L3	H	2.0
7	Timothy Martinson	1852	D2	W12	U	U	1.5
8	David Logan	1429	L3	W9	L1	D4	1.5
9	Ted Doykos	1796	L5	L8	W10	L2	1.0
10	Don Wisdom Jr.	1663	H	H	L9	U	1.0
11	Jeffrey Serna	1892	D1	L2	U	U	0.5
12	Paul Connors	2035	L6	L7	U	U	0.0
13	Gerry Morris	1946	L4	U	U	U	0.0

JULY SECTION		Rating	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Score
1	Cory Foster	1535	W7	W10	D4	W2	3.5
2	Rhett Langseth	1699	W5	W4	W3	L1	3.0
3	Eric Barkmeyer	1599	W6	W9	L2	W5	3.0
4	Brady Barkmeyer	1472	W12	L2	D1	W6	2.5
5	Matthew Lasley Sr.	1441	L2	W7	W9	L3	2.0
6	Alexa Lasley	1421	L3	W11	W8	L4	2.0
7	Jerry Maier	1282	L1	L5	B	W11	2.0
8	Jerry Kecker	1453	H	D12	L6	D9	1.5
9	Alexander Freeman	1293	W11	L3	L5	D8	1.5
10	Tom Mullikin	1164	B	L1	L11	H	1.5
11	Dean Brown	1560	L9	L6	W10	L7	1.0
12	Robert Roundtree	1660	L4	D8	U	U	0.5

AUGUST SECTION		Rating	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Score
1	Issac Martinez	1307	D3	H	W6	W4	3.0
2	Ken Johnson	1141	W6	L5	D4	B	2.5
3	Victor Creazzi	1007	D1	L4	B	W6	2.5
4	Daniel Rusch	1159P	D5	W3	D2	L1	2.0
5	Michael Martinson	1211	D4	W2	U	U	1.5
6	Kathy Schneider	945	L2	B	L1	L3	1.0

SECTION 4		Rating	Rd1	Score
1	Jerry Maier	1282	W2	1.0
2	Victor Creazzi	1007	L1	0.0

The Antaeus Principle

by Brian Wall

Antaeus, the son of Gaia, was a Libyan giant whose strength appeared invincible. He challenged all travelers to a wrestling match which he invariably won. Upon winning he slaughtered his adversaries. That is, until he met Hercules.

Hercules was on his way back from the Hesperides when the giant challenged the hero to a wrestling match. No matter how many times Hercules threw Antaeus off and tossed him to the ground, it did no good. If anything, the giant appeared rejuvenated from the encounter.

Hercules eventually realized that the earth, Antaeus' mother Gaia, was the source of his strength, so Hercules held the giant aloft until all his power had drained away. After he killed Antaeus, Hercules proceeded safely back to his task master, King Eurystheus.

I developed the Antaeus Principle of Chess during my recent game with the ex-editor of the Colorado Chess Informant, Randy Reynolds.

The Scandinavian Defense has some strategical difficulties:

- 1 - The game opens up quickly. One slip and Black is toast after d5, tearing into Black like Chris Jericho.
- 2 - If White makes no attempt to win and plays, say, d3 and a3, I call this the Gay Pride variation. No worries there.
- 3 - Often the central files are open which may lead to all rooks traded on the d-file and a quick draw or drawish position.

Randy Reynolds has been studying high-class endgame books and felt confident there. Our game went as expected. I used to belong to FortCollinsChess@Yahoo groups.com, I don't think anyone there attacks or can pronounce any gambit correctly. They all play solid, boring chess. No imagination. All their moves are predictable. Their games go like this - Each Fort Collins opponent tries not to lose any material, eventually someone slips and loses. That's about it from my perspective. No exciting new theories of chess,

no grand strategies, not even any new moves, no theoretical novelties, no new openings, just some half remembered variation from Chess Life served up with a bland blend of pins, forks and skewers. Chess in Pleasantville.

As Randy successfully operated in Trade-Trade-Lose mode, I cursed the Chessbase Scandinavian DVDs by Andrew Martin with each exchange. Then it hit me - there was no reason to be concerned.

Just as Antaeus the Giant got stronger and stronger each time Hercules slammed him to the ground so does a Chessmaster get stronger and stronger with each trade until there is so little material that his Giant Antaeus intellect approaches infinity. It's true the class player is aiming for a position even he can understand but right before that is a whole class of positions which the Chessmaster can play nearly perfectly and the class player will struggle with blindly. I got a taste of my own medicine in Reno, Nevada when I reached an endgame against GM Eugene Perelshteyn I knew was drawn but the actual playing it out proved too difficult. I was on the wrong side of my own theory.

The basic premise of the Antaeus Principle is that the lower rated player always aims for simplification but that is precisely where the higher rated player shines. By contrast, in the same tournament, Mark Krowczyk engaged me in a complicated middle game and I went wrong trying to calculate too many brilliant sacs.

I have nothing against Randy, we got along famously when he was editor. I have nothing against Fort Collins players. CSCA president Lee Lahti, dentist Corey Foster, Frank Demming, Danielle Rice and I had a scrumptious \$12.99 *All You Can Eat* steak meal in Reno, Nevada. Corey howled when I told the waiter, "Just back up the cow!"

Brian - Have you played any brilliancies since you came to Colorado?

IM Michael Valvo - It's impossible. They're too weak.

It should also be noted that Randy Reynolds is an excellent writer. Paul Anderson has confessed that Randy's replies are

often funnier than his Colorado Springs Chess newsletters.

The Blue Sky Collective
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The *Blue Sky Collective* is a coffee shop and bookstore like *Paris on the Platte* used to be and like *Poor Richard's* is now. There was also live music, mostly classic rock or love ballads. The tables were fit for a Giant, medieval, majestic wooden monstrosities, too large for children or Randy Reynolds to reach the pieces. Poor Randy had to stand and hop up and down like a Mexican Jumping Bean during the final 15 move time scramble.

I enjoyed the location, I won the tournament, I liked the music. There was one normal sized table. I just wonder what would happen if too many people showed up, if the music was not to everyone's taste or if there were too many children for the large tables.

Trick or Treat Open
October 17, 2009
Round 2, Board 1
Randy Reynolds (1726)
Brian Wall (2200)
G/55' TD/5''

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Qxd5 3.Nc3 Qd6 4.d4 Nf6 5.Nf3 a6

This is the basic starting position of IM Andrew Martin's first Scandinavian DVD. He has an update this year which features some c6 games by Tiviakov and others.

6.Be2 Bg4!

I am an old Caro-Kann player so this makes sense to me. I noticed Petrosian almost never lost a French or Caro-Kann once he rid himself of this bishop. IM John Watson talks of how often this "bad bishop" wins the game. Fritz 11 prefers 6...Bf5!!

7.a3

The Gay Pride Variation when White doesn't know what to do. Renard Anderson included this move against my Scandinavian and I barely drew the game. Fritz 11 prefers 7.Bg5, h3, Be3 or g3 which look more purposeful. Sometimes

a3 can be used to entice a b4-queen to gobble up the b-pawn. 7.a3 is not a terrible move, it's just not terribly incisive. 7.a3 should be stamped on the forehead of all Fort Collins, Colorado chess players.

7...e6!

Danielle likes to play ...e6, ...Be7 and ...0-0 as soon as possible against any White setup. I am more sensitive to tempi and if White wastes too much time I hit the center early with ...c5 to clarify if my king and king's bishop have other options.

8.Be3!!



Theoretical novelty by Randy Reynolds. 8.h3 has been played once before.

8...Nbd7

How is a human supposed to play 8...Nc6 9.Qd2 0-0-0 10.0-0-0 Qd7 11.Kb1 Kb8 like Fritz recommends?

9.Qd2 c5?

I got away with this approach against Bill Weihmiller but I got smoked by GM Ray Robson and tortured by NMs Josh Bloomer and Renard Anderson when I tried this against them. Only Super Ray beat me. I reached an ending against Bill Weihmiller similar to this game.

"Danielle was right." - Fritz 11

10.O-O-O!! b5!?

Wayyyyy over the top. I wanted to rip his Fort Collins head off with ...b4. Although it looks scary this is actually the height of Randy's advantage. Robert Snyder advised me you can get away with anything in Fort Collins.

11.dxc5!

Randy tries to tamp down the blaze like

the Fort Collins Fire Department. Fritz 11 pours gasoline on the conflagration with 11.Bf4!! Qc6 12.h3!!

11...Qxd2+! 12.Rxd2! Bxc5!

This is what I was after, my bishop comes out in one swoop to c5 and bypasses e7. I almost got Morphied after 12...Nxc5?? 13.Nxb5!! axb5 14.Bxb5+ Ncd7 15.Ne5 but I saw it in time.

13.Bxc5! Nxc5! 14.Ne5 Bxe2!

Typical dilemma - I would prefer to keep bishops on for rating purposes but 14...Bf5 15.Bf3 just makes Randy's bishop stronger than mine.

15.Rxe2!

15.Nxe2? Nce4!

15...Ke7

This was another result for the early ...c5 - I don't have to castle either.

16.Rd1! Rhc8!!

An old Karpov trick - you cede the file to keep the game going, controlling the entry points and stirring up trouble on the flanks. Karpov used to do this to 2600's.

17.f3 Rab8

Avoiding trades and going for a minority attack. Fritz says going for trades with 17...Rc7 and 18...Rd8 is equal.

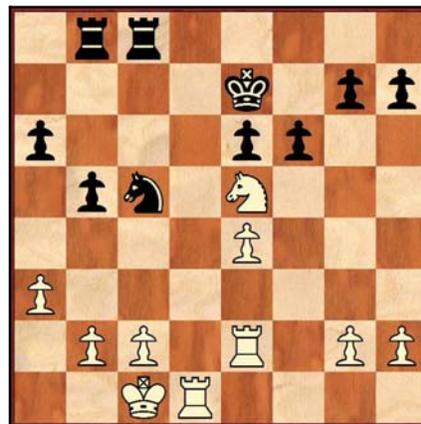
18.Ne4

Trade-Trade-Lose stuff, accepting a permanent weakness to get one piece off the board.

18...Nfxe4!

Despite my Chessmaster braggadocio this is the first time I even have the tiniest smidgin' of an advantage.

19.fx4! f6



Fritz prefers 19...b4! but if this minority attack fails I have nothing left to try. I liked keeping my options open.

20.Nd3! Nb3+

I thought I was getting somewhere.

21.Kb1 Nd4! 22.Red2! e5!

I thought my protected Knight on d4 would be a nuisance but Randy has it all under control.

23.Nb4 a5! 24.Nd5+! Ke6! 25.Nf4+!!

Oh, he saw further than I did. I have nothing. Will Randy draw?

25...exf4 26.Rxd4! Rb7!!

This is the Boxing Theory of Chess I developed when I played U.S. Champion Hikaru Nakamura 8 years ago. I keep one hand near the face (rook for defense) and the other hand does the jabbing (rook probes).

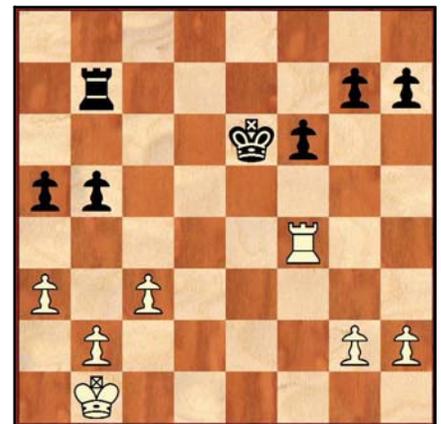
27.c3 Rc6 28.Rd8 Ke5 29.Re8+ Re6! 30.Rd5+

Randy confessed some perpetual check illusion with Rd5+, Rd4+, Rd5+, Rd4+, Rd5+.

30...Kxe4! 31.Rd4+! Ke5!

Now Randy sees that 32.Rd5+?? just drops a Rook without the e4-pawn.

32.Rxe6+! Kxe6! 33.Rxf4!



Now we get to the Antaeus part of the program. Randy has played solidly, traded at every opportunity and reached a drawn ending but as I found out 6 days later, reaching a drawn ending against a higher rated player and actually scoring half a point are two different things. The position is so simple that my play approaches perfection. Randy has been slamming my winning attempts to the ground with trades but Mother Gaia has

been good to me.

33...g5

My king is closer to the center,
I try to activate my pawn majority.

34.Rf2 f5!

Micro-edge.

35.g3 h5

The Pawn Wave Guy.

36.Kc2! Rd7 37.b3!!

Not falling for 37.Rd2 Rxd2+! 38.Kxd2
a4! and my pawn majority is more mobile
than Randy's. He's been studying!

37...g4

Setting up some ...h4 action.

38.c4 bxc4! 39.bxc4! h4!

Still trying but running out of pawns.

40.Kc3 hxg3! 41.hxg3! Rd1!!

Micro-edge. I remembered a Botvinnik
game in which Smyslov lost by not going
ALL the way to d1.

42.Re2+! Kf6

42...Kd6 43.Rd2+?? Rxd2 44.Kxd2 Kc5
45.Kd3 a4!! puts Reynolds at the cross-
roads. He has to watch out for ...f4. Many
different 43rd moves draw after 42...Kd6.
43.Kb3??



Inexplicable. Randy finally cracks at
move 43 against a Chessmaster. Not too
bad for a 1700.

43...Rd3+!! 44.Ka4! Rxd3!

Two connected passed pawns should win.
I just need to sac my Rook for Randy's
passer.

45.Rc2!

Scary.

45...Ke7

My Master pride demanded I stop his
pawn without a demeaning check. I can
push my f-pawn one square or play
45...Re3 before heading back.

46.c5! Kd8

Still avoiding a humiliating pawn check.

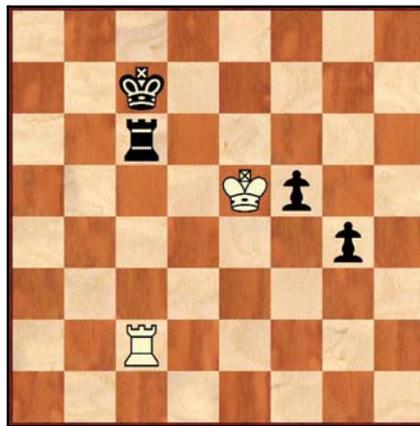
47.c6 Kc7!!

Mission accomplished: Stopped the pawn
without being accosted.

48.Kxa5 Rxa3+

48...f4 is faster but I didn't like the idea
of a B-player having material equality
with me.

49.Kb4 Re3 50.Kc4 Re6 51.Kd5! Rd6+!!
52.Ke5! Rxc6!!



Randy can't trade and he can't, not trade.
I thought I remembered an Anand-Shirov
game where Anand's king was very far
away from his two connected passed
pawns and they considered the position a
win because Anand could slowly ap-
proach his pawns and help out his rook.

Mark Krowczyk argued the point in the
postmortem but when he drove me home
after the tournament he said he checked
Dvoretsky in his pickup truck and I was
right. Randy Reynolds also said he was
studying Dvoretsky's Endgame Manual.

I considered the position won even if I
didn't know how.

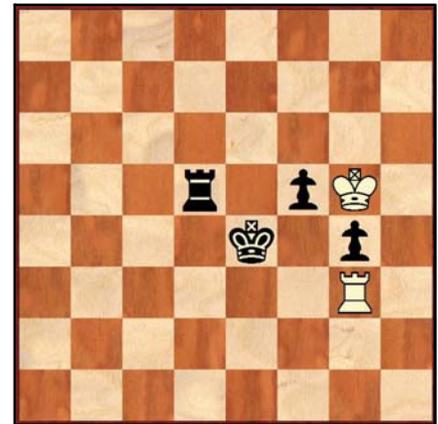
53.Rg2 Rc5+! 54.Kf4! Kd6

One step closer.

55.Rd2+ Rd5! 56.Re2! Kc5 57.Re3 Kc4!
58.Rg3 Kd4

58...Rd3!! intending the magic square
Rf3!!

59.Kg5 Ke4!!



Creeping in.

Time:

Brian - 5:16

Randy - 24 seconds

Posture:

Brian - Regal Lion.

Randy - The Celebrated Jumping Frog of
Calaveras County.

60.Rg1 Kf3 61.Kh4! Kf2

Randy hopped on the massive oak table
and ribbited each move.

62.Rg3! Re5 63.Ra3 Re3 64.Ra5! Rf3

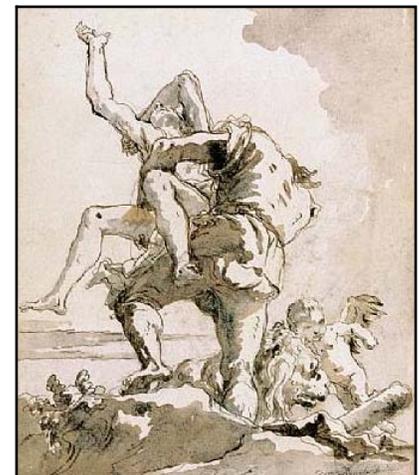
The Magic Square.

65.Ra2+! Kg1! 66.Ra1+! Kg2!

Randy paused to catch a fly here.

67.Ra2+! Rf2! 68.Ra4 g3!! 69.Ra3 f4
70.Ra1 f3 71.Kg4 Rb2!! 0-1

Randy finally caught his breath long
enough to resign.



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**Wolfgang Kern
Brian Wall**

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.c3 d5 4.exd5 Qxd5
5.d4 Nf6 6.Be3 Nc6 7.Nbd2 Ng4 8.Bc4
Nxe3 9.fxe4 Qh5 10.Qe2 Be7 11.Ne4 0-0
12.0-0-0 Na5 13.Nfd2 Qxe2 14.Bxe2 b6
15.c4 Bb7 16.Bf3 Rfd8 17.dxc5 bxc5
18.Kc2 Bc6 19.b3 Be8 20.Nc3 Nc6 21.a3
Rab8 22.Rhe1 Ne5 23.Nf1 Nxf3 24.gxf3
Bc6 25.e4 Bg5 26.Rxd8+ Rxd8 27.Rd1
Rxd1 28.Kxd1 g6 29.b4 f5 30.b5 Ba8
31.Ng3 Kf7 32.Nf1 Ke7 33.Kc2 Kd6
34.Kd3 Bf4 35.h3 Be5 36.Nd2 Bd4
37.Ne2 Bf2 38.Nc3 Ke5 39.Ne2 g5 40.a4
h5 41.Nc3 Kf4 42.Ne2+ Ke5 43.Nc3 g4
44.fxg4 fxg4 45.hxg4 h4 46.Ne2 Kf6
47.Nf3 e5 48.g5+ Kg6 49.Neg1 1/2-1/2

**Alex Yu
Joseph Knapp**

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6
5.Nc3 g6 6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6
9.0-0-0 d5 10.Nb3 dxe4 11.Qxd8 Rxd8
12.Rxd8+ Nxd8 13.Nxe4 Nd5 14.Bd4 e5
15.Bc5 b6 16.Bf2 f5 17.Nd6 Be6 18.Bc4
Nc7 19.Rd1 Nc6 20.Bxe6+ Nxe6 21.Nb5
Rd8 22.Rd6 Kf7 23.Be3 (23 Rxc6 Bh6+)



Ke7 24.Rxc6 f4 25.Bd2 g5 26.Bb4+ Kf7
27.Nc7 Nf8 28.Rd6 Rc8 29.Nd5 e4
30.fxe4 Be5 31.Rh6 g4 32.Bxf8 Rxf8
33.Rxh7+ Kg6 34.Re7 Bb8 35.Kd2 Rh8
36.h3 f3 37.Ke1 fxg2 38.Re6+ Kg5
39.h4+ Kxh4 40.Kf2 Kh3 41.e5 Kh2
42.Ne3 g1Q+ 43.Ke2 Rh3 44.Nf1+ Kg2
45.Rf6 Rf3 ... 0-1

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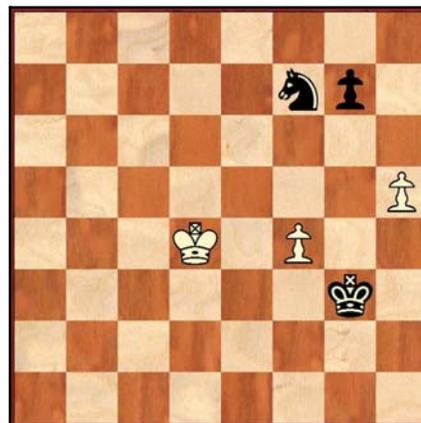
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12.Rad1 Nb4 13.Rd2 Nd5 14.Nxd5 cxd5
15.Nc3 Be4 16.Qe2 Bf5 17.Bxd6 Bxd6
18.Bxd5 Rb8 19.Bb3 a6 20.Kh1 Qh4
21.h3 Qg3 22.Kg1 Qh2+ 23.Kf2 Qg3+
1/2-1/2

**Larry Wutt
Kenneth Burgher**

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 h6
5.Bxf6 Qxf6 6.e5 Qd8 7.f4 c5 8.Nf3 Nc6
9.Bd3 Qb6 10.0-0 cxd4 11.Ne2 Nb4
12.Kh1 Nxd3 13.Qxd3 Qxb2 14.Nfxd4
b6 15.Nb5 Kd7 16.Rfb1 1-0

**Matt Lasley
Alex Freeman**

1.e4 d5 2.d4 dxe4 3.Nc3 c5 4.Bb5+ Bd7
5.Bf4 Bxb5 6.Nxb5 Qa5+ 7.Nc3 e6
8.Qd2 cxd4 9.Qxd4 Bb4 10.0-0-0 Bxc3
11.bxc3 Nf6 12.Qd6 Nc6 13.Ne2 Qxa2
14.Qc7 Qa6 15.Bd6 Nd5 16.Rxd5 exd5
17.Nf4 Qb6 18.Nxd5 Qxc7 19.Nxc7+
Kd7 20.Rd1 Rad8 21.Nb5 Ke6 22.Nc7+
Kd7 23.Nb5 a6 24.Bc7+ Ke7 25.Bxd8+
Rxd8 26.Rxd8 Kxd8 27.Nd6 b5
28.Nxf7+ Ke7 29.Ng5 a5 30.h4 a4
31.Nxh7 Kd6 32.Ng5 Kc5 33.Nxe4+ Kc4
34.Kb2 Ne5 35.f3 b4 36.h5 a3+ 37.Ka2
Nf7 38.Nd2+ Kxc3 39.Nb1+ Kxc2
40.Nxa3+ bxa3 41.Kxa3 Kd3 42.Kb3
Ke3 43.Kc3 Kf2 44.Kd4 Kxg2 45.f4 Kg3



46.Ke4 (46...Nh6 looks like a win for
Black.) 1/2-1/2

**Greg Bain
Alan August**

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Be4 Be5 4.c3 d6
5.d4 exd4 6.cxd4 Bb6 7.Nc3 Nf6 8.0-0

Bg4 9.Be3 Bxf3 10.gxf3 Nh5 11.Kh1
Qh4 12.Qd2 f6 13.Rad1 0-0-0 14.d5 Ne5
15.Be2 g5 16.Bxb6 cxb6 17.Nb5 Kb8
18.Rc1 Nf4 19.Nd4 Rhg8 20.Nf5 Qh3
21.Ne3 Rg6 22.Qc2 Ka8 23.Qc7 Rb8
24.Rg1 Rh6 0-1

**Ginny Gaige
Joe Aragon**

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.Nc3 0-0
5.e4 Kh8 6.e5 Ng8 7.Bf4 d6 8.h3 Nc6
9.Be2 Bd7 10.a3 Qc8 11.0-0 Rd8 12.Ng5
Nh6 13.Bf3 dxe5 14.dxe5 Bxh3
15.Qxd8+ Qxd8 16.Nxh3 Qd4 17.Rad1
Qxc4 18.Bd5 Qa6 19.Ng5 e6 20.Bxc6
Qxc6 21.Rd3 Kg8 22.Rfd1 Qc4 23.Rd8+
Rxd8 24.Rxd8+ Bf8 25.Nxh7 Qxf4
26.Nxf8 Kg7 27.Nxe6+ fxe6 28.Rd7+
Kf8 29.Rxc7 Qxe5 30.Rxb7 Ng4 31.g3
Qe1+ 32.Kg2 Qxf2+ 33.Kh3 Qf5
34.Rb8+ Kg7 35.Rb7+ Kh6 36.Rxa7 e5
37.b4 Kg5 38.b5 Qf1# 0-1

**Keith Wyman
Dale Lamb**

1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.g3 d5 4.cxd5 Nxd5
5.d4 Nc6 6.e3 Bb4 7.Nge2 Bg4 8.Bd2
exd4 9.exd4 Nxd4 10.Qa4+ b5 11.Nxb5
Nf3+ 12.Kd1 Nc3+ 13.Nbxc3+ c6
14.Qxc6+ Kf8 15.Qd5 Qxd5 16.Nxd5
Bxd2 17.Bg2 Rd8 18.Nc7 Bf4+ 19.Kc2
Rd2+ 20.Kb3 Bxc7 21.Bxf3 Bxf3
22.Rhc1 Bd5+ 23.Ka4 Rxe2 24.Rxc7 g6
25.Rd1 Be6 26.Rd8+ Kg7 27.Rxh8 Kxh8
28.b4 Rxa2+ 29.Kb5 a6+ 30.Kb6 Ra4
31.f4 Rxb4+ 32.Kxa6 Rb2 33.g4 Kg7
34.h3 Rb4 35.Rc3 Rxf4 36.Rg3 Rb4
37.h4 Rxg4 38.Rxg4 Bxg4 ... 0-1

**Randy Schine
Morgan Robb**

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Nf3 e6 5.a3
dxc4 6.e4 b5 7.Bg5 Qb6 8.Qc2 Nbd7
9.Rd1 Bb7 10.Be2 a5 11.0-0 h6 12.Be3
Ng4 13.h3 Nxe3 14.fxe3 Be7 15.e5
0-0-0 16.b3 cxb3 17.Qxb3 Kb8 18.Rb1
Qa7 19.Ne4 Nb6 20.Rfc1 Nd5 21.Nc5 a4
22.Qd3 Bxc5 23.Rxc5 Rd7 24.Nd2 Rhd8
25.g3 Nxe3! 26.Qxe3 Rxd4 27.Rc2 Rxd2
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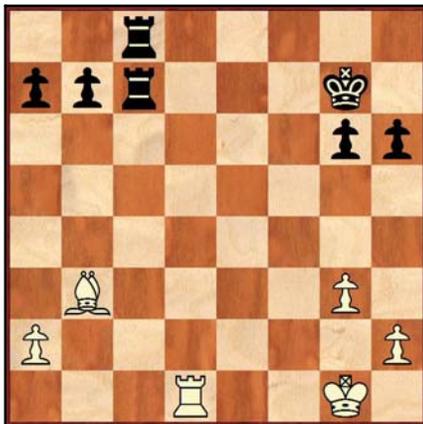
**Gerry Morris
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12.Rae1 Bg4 13.Ne5 Be6 14.f4 Ng4
15.Bxe7 Qxe7 16.f5 Nxe5 17.dxe5 Bd7
18.f6! Qxe5 19.fxg7 Qxg7 20.Rf3 Ng6
21.Ref1 Rf8 22.Rg3 Kh7 23.Rxf7! Rxf7
24.Rxg6 Qf8 25.Rxc6+ Kh8 26.Rg6 Bf5
27.Bxf5 Rxf5 28.Qd3 Rf6? 29.Qd4 Re8
30.Rxf6 Qg7 31.Rxh6+ Kg8 32.Qxg7+
Kxg7 33.Rd6 Rxe3 34.Rxd5 ... 1-0

Brian Wall
Jeff Baffo

1.Nf3 d6 2.g3 Nf6 3.Bg2 g6 4.0-0 Bg7
5.c4 0-0 6.Nc3 Nc6 7.d4 e5 8.d5 Ne7
9.e4 Nd7 10.Ne1 f5 11.Nd3 Nf6 12.f4 c6
13.fxe5 dxe5 14.exf5 Bxf5 15.Bg5 cxd5
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Qb6+ 19.Rf2 Ng4 20.Nxg4 Bxg4
21.Qxg4 Rxf2 22.c5 Qxc5 23.Qc4 Qb6
24.Qb3 Rxb2+ 25.Qxb6 Rxb6 26.Rd1
Rb2 27.Bb3 h6 28.Bc1 Re2 29.Bc4 Re7
30.Ba3 Re3 31.Bc1 Rc3 32.Bf7 Rac8
33.Bb2 R3c7 34.Bxg7+ Kxg7 35.Bb3



Rc1 36.Kf2 Rxd1 37.Bxd1 Kf6 38.Ke3
Ke5 39.Bb3 g5 40.Kd3 b5 41.Bf7 a5
42.Bh5 b4 43.Kd2 Kd4 44.Bd1 Rf8
45.Ke2 Kc3 46.Bb3 Rd8 47.Bf7 Rd2+
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Mitch Anderson
Charles Grubel

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 Bg4
5.Ne5 Bh5 6.cxd5 cxd5 7.Qa4+ Nbd7
8.Bg5 a6 9.Qb3 Nb6 10.e3 Ne4 11.Na4
Nc4 12.Qxb7 Nxe5 13.dxe5 Rb8
14.Qc6+ Qd7 15.Qxd7+ Kxd7 16.e6+!
fxe6 17.Bf4 Nd6 18.Bxa6 g5 19.Be5 Rg8
20.Nc5+ Ke8 21.Nxe6 Kf7 22.Nxf8
Rgxf8 23.Bd3 h6 24.Kd2 Ke6 25.f4 gxf4
26.exf4 Rb6 27.b3 Nc8 28.Rhe1 1-0

LaMoyne Splichal
David Meliti

1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.c4 Nb6 4.c5 Nd5
5.Bc4 e6 6.Bxd5 exd5 7.d4 d6 8.cxd6
cxd6 9.exd6 Bxd6 10.Nc3 Be6 11.Nf3
Qb6 12.0-0 Nc6 13.Re1 0-0 14.b3 Rac8
15.Bb2 Rfd8 16.Na4 Qa5 17.Nc3 Bg4
18.h3 Bxf3 19.gxf3 Ne7 20.Qd3 Bb4
21.Re3 Ng6 22.Ne2 Bd2 23.Bc3 Bxc3
24.Nxc3 Nf4 25.Qf5 Ne6 26.Ne2 Qd2
27.Qd3 Rc2 28.Qxd2 Rxd2 29.a4 Rc8
30.Nc3 Rxd4 31.Rb1 Nf4 32.Rbe1 Rf8
33.Ne2 Nxh3+ 34.Kh2 Rh4 35.Kg3 Rh5
36.Nd4 g5 0-1

Eric Berkemeyer
Nabil Spann

1.d4 Nf6 2.e3 e6 3.a3 d5 4.c4 Bd6 5.c5
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Rc8 16.Nb5 Ne8 17.Ra7 Nb8 18.Qc2 c6
19.Nc3 Nd7 20.Bxh7+ Kh8 21.Bd3 b5
22.Rfa1 Rb8 23.Ne2 Qc8 24.R7a6 c5
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34.Kd2 Nd7 35.Nxd7 Kxd7 36.Kc3 Kc6
37.Kb2 Kc5 38.h4 e5 39.Bb3 b4 40.g4 f6
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44.Bd1 Rc3 45.Be2 Ka4 46.Bd1+ Kb5
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50.Bd1 Rg3 51.Ne6 Rg2+ 52.Kb1 Rg1
53.Nc5+ Ka3 54.Nxb3 Rxd1+ 55.Kc2
Rh1 56.h5 Rg1 57.Nxd4 Rxg4 58.Kd3
Rg5 59.Nf5 Rxh5 60.Nxg7 Re5 61.Kd4
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Andrew Stephenson
Ginny Gaige

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bg5 h6 3.Bh4 e6 4.Nc3 Bb4
5.Bg3 Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 Ne4 7.Qd3 Nxc3
8.hxg3 b6 9.Nf3 Bb7 10.c4 0-0 11.g4
Bxf3 12.Qxf3 Nc6 13.e3 Nb4 14.Kd1
Qf6 15.Qxf6 gxf6 16.Rxh6 Kg7 17.Rh3
c5 18.c3 Na6 19.Bd3 cxd4 20.cxd4 e5
21.Rb1 Rfe8 22.c5 Nc7 23.cxb6 axb6
24.Rh7+ Kf8 25.Rxb6 Rxa2 26.Bc4 Ra1+
27.Kc2 d5 28.Rxf6 Re7 29.Bb3 exd4
30.exd4 Re2+ 31.Kd3 Re7 32.Kc2 Rae1
33.Kd3 Rd7 34.g5 Ne6 35.g6 Ng5
36.Kd2 Rde7 37.Rh5 R7e2+ 38.Kd3 Kg7
39.Rxg5 Kxf6 40.g7 Kxg5 41.g8Q+ Kf6
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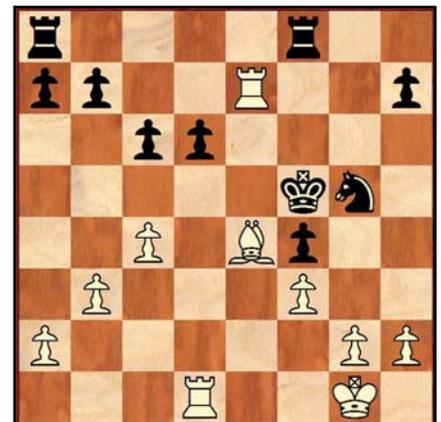
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Ken Doykos
Mitch Anderson

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5.Nf3 e6 6.Bc4 Be7 7.0-0 d6 8.Qe2 a6
9.Rd1 Qc7 10.Bf4 Nf6 11.Rac1 0-0 12.e5
dxe5 13.Bxe5 Nxe5 14.Nxe5 b5 15.Bb3
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1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6
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9.d3 f5 10.Bg5 Nf6 11.Qc1 f4 12.gxf4
exf4 13.Nd5 Bd7 14.Nxf4 h6 15.Nxg6
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Rxe5 22.Bd5+ Kh8 23.Be4 Rg5 24.Qh4
Bf5 25.f3 Bf6 26.Qf2 Qg7 27.Rg1 Qh6
28.Rxg5 Qxg5 29.Rg1 Qh5 30.Qg3 Be6
31.Qg6 Qxg6 32.Rxg6 Bf7 33.Rh6 Bg8
34.Bxh7 Bxh7 35.Rxf6 1-0

Dean Brown
Alan August

1.Nf3 Nc6 2.c4 d5 3.cxd5 Qxd5 4.Nc3
Qd8 5.g3 e5 6.d3 h6 7.Bg2 Bd6 8.0-0
Nge7 9.Ne4 Be6 10.Nxd6+ cxd6 11.e3
Qd7 12.d4 exd4 13.Nxd4 Bh3 14.Bxh3
Qxh3 15.Nxc6 Nxc6 16.Qxd6 Qe6
17.Qxe6+ fxe6 18.b3 0-0 19.Ba3 Rfd8
20.Rfd1 a5 21.Rd6 Rxd6 22.Bxd6 Rd8
23.Bc7 Rd2 24.a4 Rb2 25.Kg2 Rxb3
26.h4 h5 27.Bd6 Rb2 28.Ba3 Rc2 29.Rb1
Rc4 30.Rxb7 Rxa4 31.Rb6 Rxa3 32.Rxc6
Kf7 33.Kf3 Ra2 34.Ra6 Kf6 35.g4 g6
36.g5+ Ke5 37.Ra8 Ra4 38.Kg3 Kd5
39.Rg8 Ra1 40.Rxg6 a4 41.Rg8 a3
42.Ra8 Rg1+ 43.Kh2 Rg4 44.Kh3 Ke4
45.Rxa3 Kf3 46.Ra2 Rg1 47.Kh2 Rg4
1/2-1/2

Nate Biesterfeld
Ron Rossi

1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.g3 Bb4 4.Bg2 0-0
5.d3 d6 6.a3 Bxc3+ 7.bxc3 Nc6 8.Nf3 h6
9.h3 Be6 10.0-0 Qd7 11.Kh2 Rab8
12.Qa4 a6 13.d4 Nxd4 14.Qxd7 Nxf3+
15.Bxf3 Nxd7 16.Bd5 Nb6 17.e4 Nxc4
18.Bxe6 fxe6 19.Rb1 Rf3 20.Rb3 b5
21.Kg2 Na5 22.Kxf3 Nxb3 23.Be3 Na5
24.Rb1 Nc4 25.a4 Kf7 26.axb5 Rxb5
27.Rxb5 axb5 28.Ke2 Nxe3 29.Kxe3 d5
30.exd5 exd5 31.Kd2 c5 32.Kd3 b4
33.cxb4 cxb4 34.Kc2 d4 35.Kd3 b3
36.Kd2 e4 37.g4 e3+ 38.fxe3 b2 39.Kc2
dxe3 40.Kxb2 e2 41.Kc2 e1Q 42.Kd3
Ke6 43.Kd4 Qe5+ 44.Kd3 Kd5 45.h4
Qe4+ 46.Kd2 Kd4 47.g5 Qe3+ 48.Kc2
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Qb3+ 52.Ka1 Kc3 53.hxg7 Qb2# 0-1

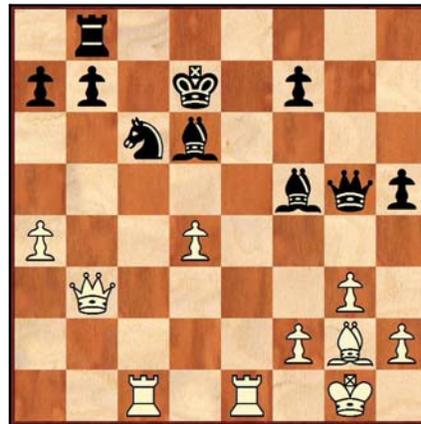
Artem Bolshakov
Gordon Hart

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.e4 c6 4.Bxc4 Nf6
5.Nc3 e6 6.a3 b5 7.Be2 b4 8.e5 bxc3

9.exf6 cxb2 10.fxg7 Bxg7 11.Bxb2 Qa5+
12.Kf1 c5 13.Nf3 Nc6 14.Rc1 Ba6
15.Rxc5 Bxe2+ 16.Qxe2 Qb6 17.Qb5
Qxb5+ 18.Rxb5 Kd7 19.Ke2 Rab8
20.Rxb8 Rxb8 21.Bc3 Rb3 22.Bb4 a5
23.Bc5 e5 24.Rd1 exd4 25.Nxd4 Bxd4
26.Bxd4 Nxd4+ 27.Rxd4+ Ke6 28.a4
Ke5 29.Rc4 Kd5 30.Rf4 Rb4 31.Rf5+
Ke6 32.Rxa5 Rb2+ 33.Kf3 Rb3+ 34.Ke2
Rb2+ 1/2-1/2

Ed Cronin
Luke Stephens

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.c4 e6 4.cxd5 Nxd5
5.a3 Nc6 6.g3 Bd7 7.Bg2 Qf6 8.0-0 h6
9.Nc3 0-0-0 10.Nxd5 exd5 11.b4 Bd6
12.b5 Ne7 13.a4 g5 14.Re1 Rdg8 15.e4
dxe4 16.Rxe4 Bf5 17.Re1 h5 18.Bxg5
Rxg5 19.Nxg5 Qxg5 20.Qf3 c6 21.bxc6
Nxc6 22.Rac1 Kd7 23.Qb3 Rb8



24.Qxf7+ Ne7 25.Qb3 Nc6 26.Qd5 Nb4
27.Qb5+ Nc6 28.d5 1-0

Victor Creazzi
Dale Lamb

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6
5.Nc3 a6 6.Be3 e5 7.Nb3 b5 8.Bd3 Bb7
9.f4 Nbd7 10.a3 Be7 11.Be2 0-0 12.Bf3
Qc7 13.Qd3 Rfd8 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.exd5
Rac8 16.0-0-0 exf4 17.Bxf4 Qc4 18.Be4
Nf6 19.Rhe1 Nxe4 20.Rxe4 Qc7 21.Na5
Bf6 22.Nxb7 Qxb7 23.Qg3 Qc7 24.Rd2
a5 25.Rde2 Qc5 26.Rd2 Qg1+ 27.Rd1
Bxb2+ 28.Kd2 Qc5 29.Bh6 Qxd5+
30.Ke3 0-1

Kevin Seidler
Anthea Carson

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 e6 3.f4 Ne7 4.Nf3 d6
5.Bb5+ Nbc6 6.d3 Bd7 7.0-0 Qb6 8.Kh1
g6 9.Bd2 Bg7 10.a4 a6 11.a5 Qc7
12.Bxc6 Bxc6 13.Qe1 0-0-0 14.Qf2 h6

15.Be3 Rdg8 16.Nd2 Kb8 17.e5 dxe5
18.fxe5 Bxe5 19.Bxc5 Nc8 20.Bb6 Nxb6
21.axb6 Qd7 22.Nc4 Bd4 23.Qxf7 Qxf7
24.Rxf7 Rf8 25.Raf1 Rxf7 26.Rxf7 Bc5
27.Ne4 Rf8 28.Rxf8+ Bxf8 29.Ne5 Bxe4
30.dxe4 Bg7 31.Nc4 g5 32.Kg1 Bd4+
33.Kf1 Bc5 34.Ke2 Kc8 35.c3 h5 36.h3
Kd7 37.b4 Be7 38.Na5 Bd8 39.Nxb7
Bxb6 40.c4 Kc7 41.Na5 Bd4 42.Kd3 Bf2
43.c5 Be1 44.Kc4 Bf2 45.Nb3 g4
46.hxg4 hxg4 47.Nd4 Kd7 48.Ne2 Be1
49.Nf4 Bd2 50.Nd3 Kc7 51.Kb3 Bg5
52.Ka4 Bd8 53.Nf2 g3 54.Nd3 Kb7
55.Nf4 e5 56.Ne2 Bh4 57.Kb3 Kc6
58.Kc4 Bg5 59.Nxg3 Bf4 60.Nf5 Bg5
61.g4 Bd8 62.Nd6 Bg5 63.Nf7 Bf6 64.g5
Bg7 65.Nh6 Kd7 66.Kd5 1-0

Zachary Bekkedahl
Larry Wutt

1.e4 c5 2.f4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 e6
5.Bb5+ Nd7 6.Nf3 Ngf6 7.d3 a6 8.Bxd7+
Bxd7 9.0-0 Nxe4 10.dxe4 Bb5 11.Qxd8+
Rxd8 12.Re1 Bd6 13.e5 Be7 14.Be3 0-0
15.Rad1 Bc6 16.Kf2 b5 17.b3 Rb8 18.c4
b4 19.g4 Rfd8 20.f5 Be4 21.Ng5 exf5
22.Nxe4 fxe4 23.Bf4 Bh4+ 24.Bg3
Bxg3+ 25.Kxg3 Rd3+ 26.Rxd3 exd3
27.Kf3 d2 28.Rd1 Rd8 29.Ke3 Kf8
30.Rxd2 Rxd2 31.Kxd2 Ke7 32.Ke3 g5!
33.Kf3 Ke6 34.Ke4 h6 35.h3 a5 36.h4
gxh4 37.Kf4 h3 38.Kg3 h2 39.Kxh2
Kxe5 40.Kg3 Ke4 41.Kh4 Kf4 42.Kh5 f6
43.Kh4 f5 44.gxf5 Kxf5 45.Kh5 Ke4
46.Kxh6 Kd3 47.Kg5 Kc2 48.Kf5 Kb2
49.Ke5 Kxa2 50.Kd5 Kxb3 51.Kxc5 a4
52.Kb5 a3 53.c5 a2 54.c6 a1Q 0-1

Kenneth Burgher
Ryan Swerdlin

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e5 3.dxe5 Ne4 4.Qc2 d5
5.e3 Bf5 6.Bd3 Bb4+ 7.Nd2 Nc6 8.Ngf3
Bg6 9.cxd5 Qxd5 10.Qc4 Qxc4 11.Bxc4
0-0-0 12.a3 Bxd2+ 13.Nxd2 Nxe5
14.Ba2? Nd3+ 15.Ke2 Nxc1+ 16.Raxc1
Rxd2+ 0-1

Jackson Chen
Scott Swerdlin

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Nf6
5.Ng3 h5 6.h4 Bg4 7.Be2 Qc7 8.Bxg4
Nxg4 9.N1e2 e6 10.Bf4 Bd6 11.Bxd6
Qxd6 12.Qd2 Na6 13.Ne4 Qb4 14.Qxb4
Nxb4 15.Kd2 0-0-0 16.c3 Nd5 17.Ke1 f6
18.g3 e5 19.Kf1 b6 20.Kg2 Kc7 21.dxe5
Nxe5 22.b3 Rde8 23.Nd2 Ng4 24.Rhe1
Re7 25.c4 Nb4 26.Nf4 Rhe8 27.Rxe7+

Rxe7 28.a3 Nc2 29.Ra2 Nd4 30.Ra1 Nc2
31.Ra2 Nd4 32.Nf3 Nxb3 33.Nxh5 Nc5
34.Nf4 Ne4 35.Nh3 Kd6 36.Re2 Kc5
37.Nd2 Kd4 38.Rxe4+ Rxe4 39.Nxe4
Kxe4 40.f3+ Kd4 41.fxg4 Kxc4 42.Kf3
Kb3 43.Ke2 c5 44.Kd2 a5 45.Nf4 Kxa3
46.Kc2 b5 47.Ne6 c4 48.Nxg7 b4 49.Kb1
c3 50.Ne6 b3 51.Nd4 a4 52.h5 Kb4 53.h6
a3 54.h7 a2+ 55.Ka1 c2 56.Nxc2+ bxc2
57.h8Q c1Q+ 58.Kxa2 1/2-1/2

Brady Berkemeyer
Kurt Kondracki

1.d4 Nf6 2.e3 c5 3.c3 cxd4 4.cxd4 d5
5.a3 g6 6.b4 Bg7 7.Bb5+ Bd7 8.Qa4 0-0
9.Bxd7 Nbx7 10.Bb2 Nb6 11.Qb3 Rc8
12.Nd2 Qd6 13.Ngf3 Rc7 14.0-0 Rfe8
15.Rac1 Nc4 16.Nxc4 dxc4 17.Qc2 b5
18.Bc3 Nd5 19.Ra1 Nxc3 20.Qxc3 a6
21.a4 Qc6 22.axb5 axb5 23.Qc2 Ra8
24.Ng5 Rca7 25.Qb2 h6 26.Nf3 e6
27.Rxa7 Rxa7 28.Ra1 Ra6 29.Nd2 f5
30.Nb1 Qa8 31.Rxa6 Qxa6 32.Qa3 Qxa3
33.Nxa3 Bf8 34.Nc2 Kf7 35.Kf1 Ke7
36.Ke2 Kd6 37.Kd2 Kc6 38.Kc3 Bd6
39.f4 g5 40.g3 gxf4 41.gxf4 Be7 42.Ne1
Kd5 43.Nc2 Bh4 44.Kd2 Be7 45.Ke2
Ke4 46.h3 h5 47.Na3 Bxb4 48.Nxb5 c3
49.Nc7 e2 50.Ne8 (*The best try - a mate
threat!*) 50...Kd5 51.Nf6+ Kd6 52.Nxh5
c1Q 53.Nf6 Qe1+ 54.Kf3 Qf1+ 55.Kg3
Be1+ 56.Kh2 Bf2 57.Ne8+ Ke7 58.Nf6
Qg1# 0-1

Frank Riley
Jiri Kovats

1.e4 e6 2.d4 c5 3.Nf3 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Bc5
5.Be3 Nf6 6.Nc3 Bb6 7.Be2 0-0 8.0-0
Nc6 9.Nxc6 bxc6 10.Bg5 h6 11.Bh4 g5
12.Bg3 d5 13.exd5 cxd5 14.Be5 Nd7
15.Bd4 Bb7 16.Bxb6 Qxb6 17.Bd3 Ne5
18.Na4 Qc6 19.b3 Nxd3 20.Qxd3 Ba6
21.c4 dxc4 22.Qc3 Rac8 23.Rfc1 Bb7
24.f3 Rfd8 25.Qxc4 Qxc4 26.Rxc4 Rxc4
27.bxc4 Rd4 28.Nc5 Bc8 29.Rc1 e5
30.g4 Kg7 31.Rc2 Kg6 32.Kf2 h5 33.h3
hxg4 34.hxg4 f5 35.Nb3 Rf4 36.gxf5+
Bxf5 37.Re2 Kf6 38.Nd2 g4 39.Kg3 gxf3
40.Rf2 Rg4+ 41.Kxf3 e4+ 42.Ke3 Rg3+
43.Kf4 Rg4+ 44.Ke3 Ke5 45.Ke2 Rg3
46.Nb3 Be6 47.Rh2 Bxc4+ 48.Kf2 Rf3+
49.Kg2 Bxb3 50.axb3 Rxb3 51.Rh5+
Kd4 52.Ra5 Rb7 53.Ra3 Rf7 54.Ra4+
Ke5 55.Ra5+ Kf4 56.Kf2 Re7 57.Ke2
Rb7 58.Ra2 Rh7 59.Ra3 Rh2+ 60.Ke1
Rh7 61.Kf1 e3 62.Ke2 Rh2+ 63.Kd1 Kf3
64.Kc1 Rh7 65.Kd1 Rh1+ 66.Kc2 Rh7
67.Kd1 Rd7+ 68.Ke1 Rb7 69.Ra1 a5

70.Kd1 Rb5 71.Rc1 Rd5+ 72.Ke1 Rd3
73.Rc2 a4 74.Ra2 a3 75.Rh2 Rb3 76.Kd1
Rb1+ 77.Kc2 Rb2+ 0-1

Dasheveg Sharavdorj
Michael Mulyar

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 e6
5.Bg5 dxc4 6.e4 b5 7.e5 h6 8.Bh4 g5
9.Nxg5 hxg5 10.Bxg5 Nbd7 11.g3 Rg8
12.h4 Rxg5 13.hxg5 Nd5 14.g6 fxg6
15.Qg4 Qe7 16.Bg2 Bb7 17.Qxg6+
1/2-1/2

John Krue
Gerry Morris

1.e4 e6 2.Nf3 d5 3.exd5 exd5 4.d4 Nf6
5.c4 Bb4+ 6.Bd2 Bxd2+ 7.Nbx2 0-0
8.Be2 Bg4 9.0-0 Nc6 10.h3 Bh5 11.cxd5
Qxd5 12.Bc4 Qd6 13.Qb3 Na5 14.Qc3
Nxc4 15.Nxc4 Qd5 16.Ne3 Qe4 17.Nd2
Qf4 18.Rac1 c6 19.Qc5 Bg6 20.Qe5 Qh6
21.Nf3 Rad8 22.Nf5 Bxf5 23.Qxf5 Rd5
24.Qd3 Qf4 25.Rfe1 Qd6 26.Qe3 Rd8
27.Qe7 Qxe7 28.Rxe7 R5d7 29.Rce1 Kf8
30.Rxd7 Rxd7 31.Kf1 Nd5 32.a3 Re7
33.Rxe7 Kxe7 34.g3 Kd6 35.Ke2 f6
36.h4 Ne7 37.Kd3 Kd5 38.g4 Ng6 39.g5
Nf4+ 40.Ke3 Ng2+ 41.Kd3 fxg5 42.hxg5
h5 43.gxh6 gxh6 44.Ne5 h5 45.Ng6 h4
0-1

John Linscott
Ted Doykos

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.f3 e5 5.d5
Bb4 6.Bd2 e3 7.Bxe3 cxd5 8.Bd2 Nf6
9.Bb5+ Bd7 10.Qe2 0-0 11.0-0 Qa5
12.Bxd7 Nbx7 13.Qb5 Bxc3 14.Qxa5
Bxa5 15.Bxa5 Rac8 16.g4 d4 17.Ne2 Rc6
18.Kb1 Rfc8 19.c3 b6 20.Bb4 Nd5
21.Ba3 Ne3 22.Rd2 Nc4 23.Rdd1 Ne3
24.Rd3 Nc5 25.Bxc5 bxc5 26.cxd4 cxd4
27.Rc1 Rxc1+ 28.Nxc1 f6 29.h3 Kf7
30.Nb3 Ke6 31.Nxd4+ exd4 32.Rxd4 f5
33.gxf5+ Nxf5 34.Rd3 Rc7 35.a3 Nh4
36.b3 Rf7 37.Re3+ Kd5 38.Rd3+ Ke5
39.Re3+ Kf4 0-1

Joseph Guerriero
Zachary Bekkedahl

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 c5
5.Nf3 cxd4 6.Nxd4 d5 7.Qa4+ Nc6
8.Nxc6 Bxc3+ 9.bxc3 bxc6 10.Ba3 Qb6
11.cxd5 exd5 12.e3 Bd7 13.Qd4 Rc8
14.Bd3 c5 15.Qe5+ Qe6 16.Qxe6+ fxe6
17.Rb1 c4 18.Bc2 Bc6 19.f3 Kd7 20.Bc5
h5 21.h4 a5 22.Kf2 Rb8 23.Rxb8 Rxb8
24.Rb1 Rxb1 25.Bxb1 e5 26.Bf5+ Kc7

27.Bf8 Bd7 28.Bxd7 Nxd7 29.Bxg7 Kd6
30.g4 Ke6 31.gxh5 Nc5 32.h6 Kf7
33.Ke2 Nd3 34.h5 Kg8 35.f4 exf4 36.Kf3
a4 37.a3 Ne1+ 38.Kxf4 Nc2 39.Ke5
Nxe3 40.Kf6 Kh7 41.Bf8 d4 42.cxd4 c3
43.Bb4 Nd5+ 44.Ke6 Nxb4 45.axb4 c2
46.d5 c1Q 0-1

LaMoyne Splichal
Kevin Burgher

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Nf6 4.Bxc6
dxc6 5.Nc3 Bd6 6.h3 0-0 7.0-0 Qe8
8.Re1 Be6 9.d4 exd4 10.Qxd4 Nd7 11.e5
Bc5 12.Qd3 f6 13.exf6 Rxf6 14.Bg5 Rg6
15.Rad1 Qf7 16.Rxe6 Rxe6 17.Qxd7 Qg6
18.Qxc7 Rae8 19.Qxb7 Bd6 20.Qxa7
Qxg5 21.Kf1 Qg6 22.Qa4 Rb8 23.Qc4
Kf8 24.b3 Rb4 25.Qd3 Qxd3+ 26.Rxd3
Be7 27.a4 Bf6 28.g3 Ke7 29.Ne2 Rd6
30.Re3+ Re6 31.Rd3 Rd6 32.Re3+ Re6
33.Rd3 Rd6 34.Re3+ 1/2-1/2

Matt Flowers
Raul McElroy

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 b5
5.Bb3 Bc5 6.0-0 Nf6 7.Re1 Ng4 8.d4
Nxd4 9.Nxd4 Bxd4 10.Qxg4 Qf6 11.Qf5
Qxf5 12.exf5 d6 13.c3 Bb6 14.g4 h5
15.Bd5 Rb8 16.Kg2 hxg4 17.Be4 f6
18.Be3 Bd7 19.Bxb6 Rxb6 20.Re3 c6
21.Rg3 Rh4 22.Nd2 d5 23.Bc2 e4
24.Nxe4 dxe4 25.Bxe4 Kd8 26.Rd1 Kc8
27.Rgd3 Rb7 28.Rd6 Rc7 29.Kg3 Rh3+
30.Kg2 a5 31.f3 Rh4 32.Kg3 Rh3+
33.Kxg4 Rxh2 34.R1d2 Rh6 35.Kf4 Rh5
36.Rg2 Be8 37.Rgd2 Bd7 38.Rg2 1/2-1/2

Anthony Wileman
Andrew Stephenson

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.a3 d5 4.e3 c5 5.Nf3
Qb6 6.Nc3 Nc6 7.Qc2 Bd6 8.Na4 Qc7
9.dxc5 Be7 10.cxd5 exd5 11.Bb5 a6
12.Bxc6+ Qxc6 13.b4 a5 14.Ne5 Qb5
15.Nc3 Qa6 16.b5 Qa7 17.b6 Qb8
18.Qa4+ Bd7 19.Nxd7 Nxd7 20.Nxd5
Qe5 21.Nc7+ Kf8 22.Nxa8 Qxa1 23.0-0
Nxc5 24.Qxa5 Nb3 25.Qf5 g6 26.Qc8+
Kg7 27.Qxb7 Nxc1 28.Qxe7? Ne2+ 0-1

Brian Riley
Isaac Martinez

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Nf6 4.Ng5 d5
5.exd5 Na5 6.d3 Nxc4 7.dxc4 Bc5 8.Qe2
Ng4 9.0-0 Qf6 10.Ne4 Qh4 11.h3 h5
12.Bg5 (*Oops!*) 1-0



2010 Colorado Tour

Top 10 Standings Through Winter Springs Open

Overall

	Name	Rating	Points	Games
1	Jeffrey Baffo	1854	118.74	8
2	Michael Mulyar	2466	117.28	5
3	Sharavdorj Dashzeveg	2497	117.28	5
4	Julian Evans	1993	104.33	10
5	Adekunle Ogunmefun	2104	104.25	5
6	Daoud Zupa	2006	104.25	5
7	Ted Doykos	1804	102.31	14
8	Jeffrey Csima	1884	100.20	8
9	Richard Buchanan	2000	98.10	12
10	Brad Lundstrom	1918	91.22	5

Expert

	Name	Rating	Points	Games
1	Adekunle Ogunmefun	2104	104.25	5
2	Daoud Zupa	2006	104.25	5
3	Richard Buchanan	2000	98.10	12
4	Mitesh Shridhar	2081	91.22	5
5	Richard Herbst	2115	91.22	5
6	Mitchell Anderson	2038	39.09	3
7	Nino Neilson	2017	33.02	4
8	Paul Conners	2035	0.00	2
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Class B

	Name	Rating	Points	Games
1	Anthea Carson	1713	89.44	13
2	Charles Grubel	1600	78.19	5
3	Tim Martinson	1783	68.63	7
4	Zachary Bekkedahl	1664	65.16	5
5	Eric Barkemeyer	1611	63.21	9
6	Daniel Zhou	1705	52.12	5
7	Dylan Lehti	1758	52.12	5
8	John Krue	1755	52.12	5
9	Randolph Schine	1691	52.12	4
10	Jackson Chen	1772	39.09	5

Class D

	Name	Rating	Points	Games
1	Gerald Maier	1269	43.30	13
2	Gordon Hart	1368	39.77	5
3	Scott Swerdlin	1284	39.09	4
4	Andrew Stephenson	1245	34.09	5
5	Dale Lamb	1308	34.09	5
6	Dennis Bolshakov	1336	34.09	5
7	Edward Cronin	1329	34.09	5
8	Keith Wyman	1265	34.09	5
9	Tim Kohler	1385	34.09	5
10	Isaac Martinez	1303	24.35	12

Active

	Name	Rating	Points	Games
1	Alexander Freeman	1123	32.48	14
2	Dean Brown	1500	60.11	14
3	Kathy Schneider	944	21.80	14
4	Ted Doykos	1804	102.31	14
5	Anthea Carson	1713	89.44	13
6	Gerald Maier	1269	43.30	13
7	Isaac Martinez	1303	24.35	12
8	Richard Buchanan	2000	98.10	12
9	Julian Evans	1993	104.33	10
10	Brady Barkemeyer	1541	40.86	9

Class A

	Name	Rating	Points	Games
1	Jeffrey Baffo	1854	118.74	8
2	Julian Evans	1993	104.33	10
3	Ted Doykos	1804	102.31	14
4	Jeffrey Csima	1884	100.20	8
5	Brad Lundstrom	1918	91.22	5
6	Kevin Seidler	1991	91.22	5
7	Jeffrey Serna	1839	83.69	7
8	David Meliti	1906	78.19	5
9	Gerry Morris	1907	78.19	6
10	Joseph Knapp	1879	78.19	5

Class C

	Name	Rating	Points	Games
1	Ryan Swerdlin	1587	78.19	5
2	Dean Brown	1500	60.11	14
3	Kurt Kondracki	1574	52.12	5
4	Losol Amarbayasgalan	1580	52.12	5
5	Danielle Rice	1444	51.13	5
6	Alan August	1432	45.45	5
7	Nabil Spann	1435	45.45	5
8	Ron Rossi	1578	45.45	5
9	Brady Barkemeyer	1541	40.86	9
10	Liwen Gu	1522	39.77	5

Class E

	Name	Rating	Points	Games
1	Victor Creazzi	873	38.33	9
2	Alexander Freeman	1123	32.48	14
3	Artem Bolshakov	1076	28.41	5
4	Joseph Guerriero	1187	26.06	4
5	Michael Martinson	1190	25.27	7
6	Brian Riley	1005	22.73	5
7	Devon Wall	649	22.73	5
8	Ginny Gaige	979	22.73	5
9	Kevin Lucas	1184	22.73	5
10	Kathy Schneider	944	21.80	14

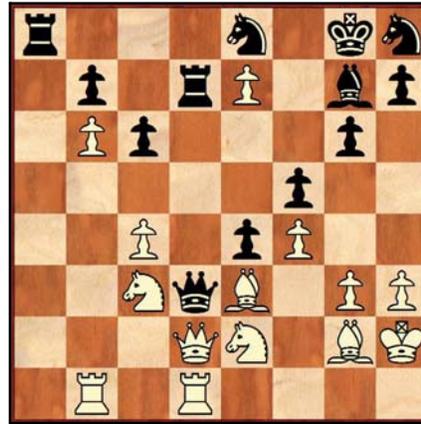
Tactics Time!

by Tim Brennan

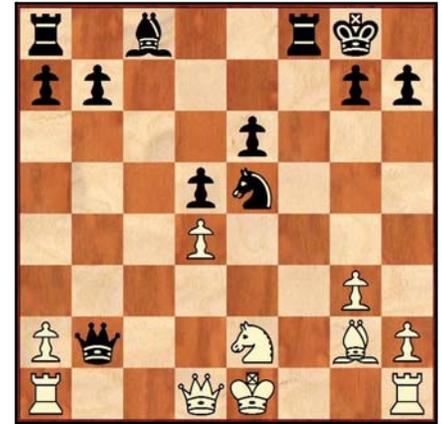
One of the best ways to improve your game is to study tactics, such as the following, from games played in Colorado. Answers on page 26.



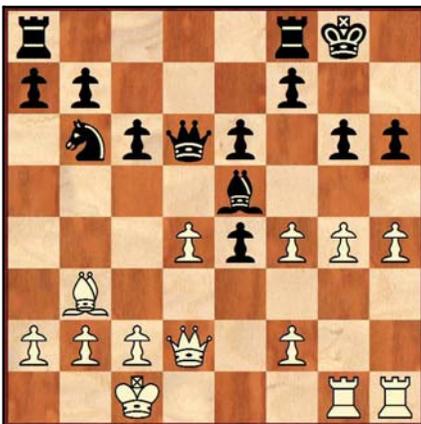
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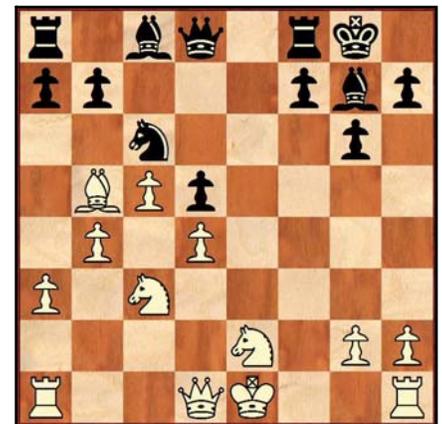
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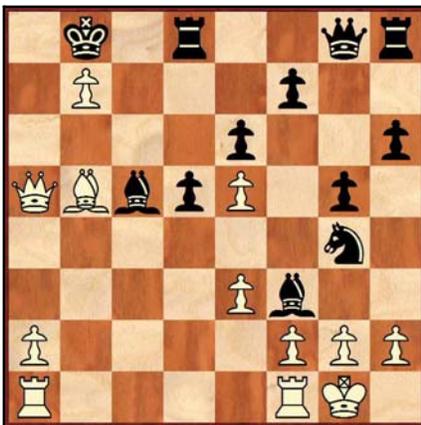
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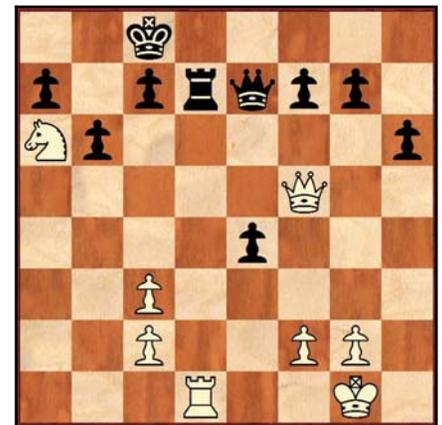
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Queens & Pawn Power

by Matt Lasley

This past summer in Lubbock, Texas, GM Polgar mentioned a top component of improvement is studying your own games and understanding some of them very deeply and thoroughly. I attempted that with this game - my last game (Round 4) of the Colorado Open. I tried to capture what I remembered, and what I thought afterwards, and then mixed it in with Rybka's insights. It makes for a long article, but perhaps some of you recall the weird queens and pawns endgame and wonder how we got there.

Dashzegve Samdan
Matt Lasley

Colorado Open
September 6, 2009

1.Nf3 d5 2.d4 Bg4 With 1.Nf3, I'm just trying to pretend it's 1.d4 and press towards a Dutch. But here I put the bishop outside the pawn chain normally formed by the e6 push. I still think too fixedly along openings even when they're nowhere in sight.

3.c4 e6 4.Ne5 Bf5 I'm put off course and now I just want to keep my bishop. I was avoiding 4...Bh5 5.g4 Bg6 6.Nxg6 hxg6. I've lately become fond of bishop pairs after long skepticism about their touted value. This game is actually another example of how handy they really are.

5.c5 Nd7 The c5 pawn will be unguarded if I take knight on e5. Likely why Rybka doesn't like that pawn-push.

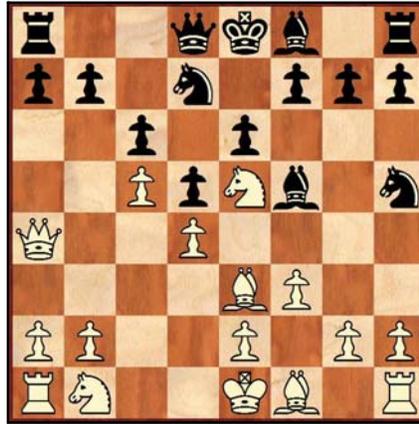
6.Qa4 c6 A normal push anyway, so blocking the pin was very automatic.

7.Bf4 Ngf6 Since the bishop will now recapture, I just develop with an idea of killing the bishop with 8...Nh5.

8.f3 Nh5 His 8.f3 seemed odd to me, perhaps keeping my knight off e4 or g4, but I intended Nh5 from the start. Rybka says I can take that knight now, push in the center, and dictate the course for a bit. 8...Nxe5 9.Bxe5 Nd7 10.Bg3 e5 11.e3 Qg5 12.f4 exf4 13.Bxf4 Qg6 14.Nc3. That backward e3 pawn figures in the actual game too. I didn't even think about a line like this, and even if I had, I doubt

I'd play it.

9.Be3 Obvious, but I hadn't previously noticed that now after 9...Nxe5 dxe5 his dark bishop protects the c5 pawn, so my idea won't work. Very annoying, which makes me consider silly things at this key juncture of the opening.



9...Qh4?! Of course 9...Nf6 is the sensible move. I spent 20 minutes convincing myself the queen move was playable as I hated the thought of retracting my knight in admission his venture to the h-file was an error. I knew this queen move was probably dubious, and I'm happy 9...Nf6 is Rybka's top choice which means I at least see good moves - but I dove in anyway.

10.Bf2 Qf4 Rybka actually likes 10...Nxc5, and I'd have loved it had I spotted it. It leads to ridiculous everything hung-at-once positions where someone is likely to really blow it. 11.Qd1 Qg5 12.h4 Qh6 13.g4 f6 oh yeah - crazy. Following Rybka's line, eventually everything trades off and White ends up with a bishop to my three pawns including a passed h-pawn. It could've been fun!

11.e3 Qh6 12.Nxd7 Kxd7 13.g4 Bxb1 14.gxh5? I thought he'd take the bishop keeping the pair and a pawn. Rybka also expects that and an interesting line where the rook on b1 actually provides a tempo for Black's pieces to all stay out of trouble. 14.Rxb1 Nf6 15.h4 Be7 16.g5 Qg6.

14...Bf5 15.Qb3 Here's a moment I should've taken more time. I took less than 2 minutes for the last two moves and now I am trying to defend b7. I disliked Kc8 for splitting my rooks, and Kc7 seemed the same thing since Bg3 will check him to the c8 square anyway, yet I did not see that same threat to my rook on

Rb8.

15...Rb8? 16.Bg3 Be7 Letting the queen take on b2 after moving my rook just seemed too dangerous, so I suck up my exchange loss.

17.Bxb8 Rxb8 18.Kd2 I did want to check him, but I didn't expect him to run first. Rybka prefers 18.Be2 or 18.O-O-O.

18...Qxh5 I tried to stay calm and accept that the pawn helped offset the exchange. Recaptures are too often automatic and here there were some interesting other possibilities to consider. 18...b6. This Rybka move never occurred to me, but it shows up the White king's exposed position. Even if White plays calm moves like Bd3, Black has perpetual check possibilities against the exposed White king, so there certainly is room for errors. Taking the b-pawn leaves the queen with no squares or mate after the rook recapture. 19.cxb6 Rxb6 - Looking at queen moves, Qd1 allows Rxb2 and mate follows. Qc2, Qd3 or Qa3 fall to either bishop. Qc3 gets her pinned by dark bishop, Bb4. The b-file is owned by the rook and c4 by the pawn. Qa4 also allows Rxb2 and mating nets. White does have many checks to stall it, but eventually they run out and the queen will die just to put off mate. 18...e5 19.dxe5 Bxc5 I couldn't see. Rybka states that the queen on the h6-c1 diagonal is simply more valuable than the h5 pawn.

19.Be2 Bh3 Slowly going for that rook, or the h-pawn it guards. This is not even a top-10 move. I'm clueless about the concept of opening lines against that exposed White king and stuck in materialistic thinking regarding that rook instead of trying to kill the vulnerable monarch. 19...b6 is still tops.

20.Rag1 Qh6 I thought about Bf6, but I had other plans for the bishop in the rook battle, and I felt the queen was going to get pushed here anyway, so babysitting the g-pawn isn't so bad. Now the e3 pawn is pinned. I like Bf6-Bxd4 using the pin or Bh4 to set up for harassing the g-rook. I didn't think about Rybka's 20...g6, thinking it took squares from my queen, but maybe it gives her escape routes.

21.a4 I couldn't figure that move out and probably should've ignored it, but I just banged out something to keep it back rather than ignore it. Yup, I should've

ignored it, and brought the dark bishop to h4 now, which Rybka favors.

21...a5 22.f4 Bh4 The pawn push took away that pin I mentioned earlier and now I'm set up to harass the rooks, and I think that h2 pawn will be mine soon.

23.Qc2 This seemed to help me with my pin problem. **23.Rg3 Bxg3 24.hxg3** was my concern, he gives back the exchange, but my bishop is pinned and my queen cannot unpin it without dropping it. Now my light bishop can retreat with tempo by attacking the now-exposed queen. I figured this queen move meant the rooks were going to retreat along the first rank. **Bf3** and **Bg4** get the light bishop involved, **Qc3** is similar to the text without opening her to the attack, **Qb3** is an invasion that will be familiar later in the game.

23...Bf2 24.Rg3 Since I can now harass the queen, this seemed a mistake to me. **24.Ra1 Bg2 25.Rhd1 Qxh2**. Some onlookers thought getting the rooks out was better, which would probably look like this. I would've been happy with it.

24...Bf5 25.Qd1 now I don't get the h1 rook for free, and my queen is running out of squares again.

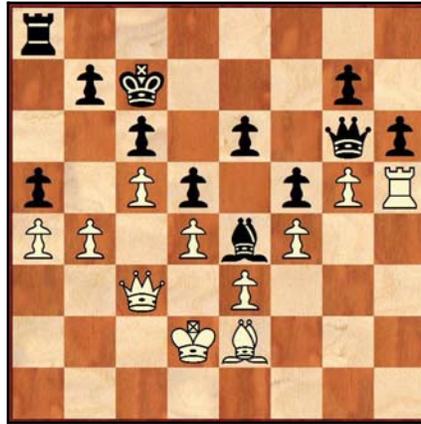
25...Bxg3 26.hxg3 Qg6 27.g4 Be4 28.Rh5 I'm blitzing my moves as we're under 15 minutes and there doesn't seem much choice. This rook move seems to help with pawn pushing, but I didn't really look too closely at it. Here and earlier at **26...Qf6** is best to get that queen more mobility. She favored me over a pawn with that idea, but my actual move dumps it back to an even evaluation.

28...f5 I just wanted to lock this up and allow a possible passed h-pawn.

29.g5 h6 I wanted to get this pawn passed, get my queen out of here and be able to have my rook help on this side. All seemed doable with this move, and not the others. I still questioned it since I was blitzing. It's Rybka's top choice.

30.Qb3 Kc8 The king goes to c8 anyway. I saw **Ba6** piling on the pawn while it's pinned by the queen to the rook.

31.Qc3 Ra8 32.b3 Kc7 33.b4 I expected **32.b4**, a move earlier. The free tempo to move my king up seems a bonus now that **Qb6+** is not possible. Back at **31.Qc3**, Rybka favored **31.Qb6**.



33...axb4 34.Qxb4 Bg2?! I was thinking of this for some time to get that e2 bishop out of there. His light bishop is much better than mine given the pawns, and the dual duty of guarding the rook and the a6 square for his pawn might be too much. Trading them was the idea behind this. Rybka agrees, White is leading despite my extra pawn, and recommends **Rh8** to trade off the queenside stuff. This bishop move seems silly now as **35.Rh2** leaves my ideas wrecked. The rook is no longer threatened and it feels like I threw a move or more away. On closer examination, I'm really facing White threats of two breaks, and things should collapse in on me.

35.Qb6+ 35.Rh2 Be4 36.Qb6+ Kb8 37.a5 and the queen is babysitting the h and g pawns when needed on the a-file. White wins.

35...Kc8 36.a5 Bf1 We both have 6 minutes to get to 40, which seems pretty doable at this point. I was happy to get this move in. He cannot take it or I get the rook, and if he moves it, my bishop assists with the queenside struggle. Move order is an amazing thing. This actually works again, and White passed up a 2nd chance for **Rh2**. Now it is too late for that. The move **a6** is now the point, but White defangs that move by letting me exchange the bishops with the pawn still back on **a5**.

37.Rh2 Bxe2 38.Kxe2 Ra6 I think this was played more for tempo to the time control than real value. I want to lock up the kingside pawns and get my queen out of baby-sitting and swing her over to the a-file battle. I may have been considering getting her behind the rook to kill the a-pawn too. Rybka likes this best herself.

39.Qb4 h5 Reading error. Rybka says I

can take the g-pawn here. I was concerned about letting the rook in.

40.Kd3 Qf7 41.Rb2 g6 Sitting back after the time control and making this move, I was thinking that if I can kill the a-pawn, I have a protected passer on the h-file and can make another on the queenside with the major pieces off. I'm feeling very good, but I'm not sure how to squeeze my pieces into that tight corner where they can do any good. Surely I have this won! Rybka's not impressed, seeing a close game still with only slight advantage for Black (-.45).

42.Qc3 Qc7 43.Rb6 If I'd looked closely, to realize how much I don't want him to trade on **a6**, I'd have a clue about what was to come later. The same reason I don't want to take on **b6** is why I don't want him to take on **a6**, but we both seem to miss it.

43...Qb8 This allows the rook exchange putting my pawn on **a6** and locking my king out. I was still focused on the b-pawn and didn't see this key idea.

44.Qb4 I didn't even think about this move, but Rybka says this is a huge loser. Getting the rook out of there was her idea, and now this lets me win if I can find it.

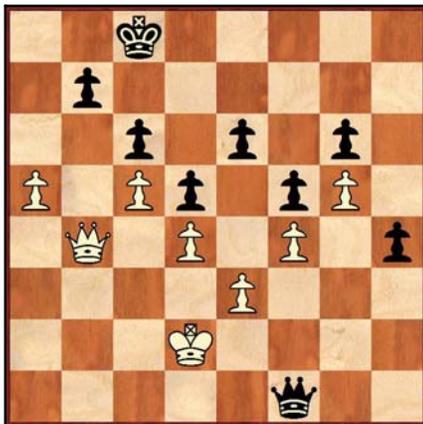
44...Qa8 45.Rxa6 Qxa6+ now my queen takes and he keeps his a-pawn, but I'm still missing why he could've taken earlier and given me a problem. I lucked into this good capture, and truly must have this won.

46.Kd2 Qb5 If I trade queens with my pawn recapturing, his king cannot stop both passers. Right idea but I'm still unaware of the danger of getting myself locked up for a draw. Rybka says it's absolutely the right idea.

47.Qc3 Qf1 I thought I could lock the king away and start running the h-pawn while keeping the queen out of the a-side. Rybka likes **h4** instead, but this is still okay. The problem is I'm not thinking clearly and that's going to blow it, not my actual moves. GM Dashzegve Sharavdorj commented on the game afterward, and said this was the time to start moving the king to **b8-a7-a6** and the original plan to kill the a-pawn is possible with royal help. I really appreciated his help after the game. I hope I am able to figure it out during the game next time. Apparently,

playing a family member can lead to GM commentary! Rybka's read on the GM's idea: 47...Kb8 48.Qa1 Ka7 49.Ke1 Ka6 50.Kf2 Qxa5 and a pawn is off, but it's a long game ahead, but the race seems easier to read if I'd done it this way.

48.Qb4 h4? Big mistake. I weaken this pawn so it can be taken if the queens come off. I also fail to block his queen out. I should've just repeated back to b5 and thought some more. It's funny that I call this my big mistake, and it's a Rybka top choice. I failed to read through to the end. I forgot the real reason for pushing it. (I can get home quicker and the queen does guard the right square - a6).



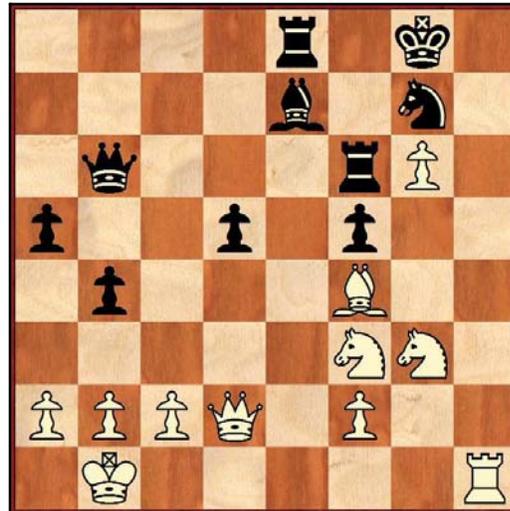
49.Qb6 Qa6?? Now I've blown it. This exchange locks my king out and the h-pawn cannot be defended. I've dumped half a point. A good lesson though. 49...h3 50.a6 (50.Qb3 h2 51.a6 bxa6 52.Qa4 Qb5) 50...Qxa6 51.Qb1 h2 52.Qh1. The pawn is protected by the skewer along the a-rank, and white is in near continuous zugzwang while black moseys on down to get the queen to help the h2 pawn. While it's done, it's still a long road for a C-player, and perhaps why I didn't see it at all. 49...Qb5 50.Qa7 h3 51.Qa8 Kc7 (51...Kd7) 52.Qh8 Qxa5 A more likely line for me to see, but it would still hurt my head.

50.Qxa6 bxa6 51.Ke2 Kd7 52.Kf2 Ke7 1/2-1/2



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Selected Games: "Hot Time In Town Tonight" August 8, 2009

by Jerry Maier

August was a very busy month for me personally, and the post-tournament extras have slid a bit, which is why these games are only now being submitted. Liz Wood, organizer of these events, was very fortunate to find our location, The Daily Grind. It is a modest coffeehouse that sections off about half their seating area for us. Playing in these G/35 - TD/5 events can be tricky due to a number of factors: the shorter time control, the occasional noise of milk being steamed, tables just large enough for two games (although one may end up accidentally hitting the wrong clock or not being able to easily keep score). Be that as it may, their food is quite good and the owners are very friendly. August drew a smaller amount of players than usual; possibly due to other tournaments in surrounding states, competing summertime activities, the plethora of other weekend events, etc. It was a fair turnout of 10 players with some players traveling all the way from Boulder to play. There were 5 rounds. Thank you to all those players who joined in the fun, from near and far!

Jeffrey Csima
George Kovats

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e3 0-0 6.Nf3 h6 7.Bh4 b6 8.cxd5 exd5 9.Rc1 Be6 10.Bd3 Nbd7 11.0-0 Rc8 12.Nb5 Ra8 13.Nxc7 Rc8 14.Nxe6 fxe6 15.Rxc8 Qxc8 16.Ne5 g5 17.Ng6 Re8 18.Nxe7+ Rxe7 19.Bg3 Ne4 20.Bxe4 dxe4 21.Qc1 Qxc1 22.Rxc1 Nf6 23.Rc7 Rxc7 24.Bxc7 b5 25.h3 Nd5 26.Bd6 Kf7 27.Kf1 h5 28.Ke2 g4 29.hxg4 hxg4 30.f3 gxf3+ 31.gxf3 exf3+ 32.Kxf3 Ne7 33.Bxe7 Kxe7 34.Ke4 Kd6 35.b4 a6 36.a3 Ke7 37.Ke5 Kd7 38.Kf6 Kd6 39.e4 Kd7 40.e5 ... 1-0

Jerry Maier
Tom Mullikin

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.cxd5 Qxd5 5.Bd2 Qxd4 6.Nf3 Qd6 7.e4 Nd7 8.Nb5 Bxd2+ 9.Qxd2 Qb6 10.Bc4 a6 11.Nc3

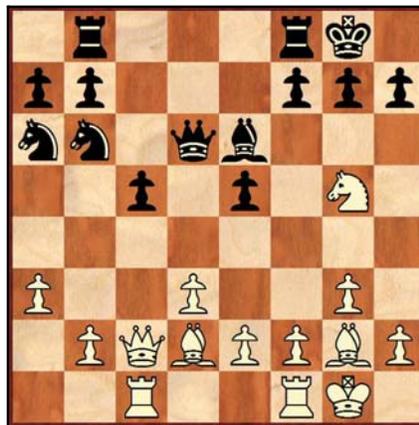
Qg6 12.Qg5 f6 13.Qxg6+ hxg6 14.Nd5 Kd8 15.0-0-0 Ne7 16.Ne3 b5 17.Bf7 Bb7 18.Nd5 c6 19.Nxe7 Kxe7 20.Bxg6 Rad8 21.h4 Nf8 22.Rxd8 Kxd8 23.Rd1+ Kc7 24.Bf5 g6 25.Bh3 Ne6 26.Bxe6 c5 27.Rd7+ Kb6 28.Bd5 Bc8 29.Rd6+ ... 1-0

George Kovats
Ted Doykos

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Bg5 Ne4 4.Bh4 Nd7 5.Nbd2 Ndf6 6.Bxf6 Nxf6 7.Ne5 Bf5 8.e3 e6 9.Bb5+ c6 10.Be2 Bd6 11.Ndf3 0-0 12.0-0 c5 13.c3 c4 14.h3 b5 15.a3 a5 16.Nh4 Be4 17.f4 Ng4 18.Bxg4 Qxh4 19.g3 Qxg3# 0-1

Anthea Carson
Jeffrey Csima

1.c4 Nf6 2.g3 e5 3.d3 d5 4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.Bg2 Bb4+ 6.Nd2 0-0 7.a3 Bxd2+ 8.Bxd2 c5 9.Rc1 Na6 10.Qb3 Nb6 11.Nf3 Be6 12.Qc2 Qd6 13.0-0 Rab8 14.Ng5



Bf5 15.Ne4 Bxe4 16.Bxe4 f5 17.Bg2 Qe6 18.f4 Nd7 19.Qc3 e4 20.Qc4 Qxc4 21.Rxc4 exd3 22.exd3 b5 23.Rc2 Nf6 24.Bc3 Rbd8 25.Bc6 b4 26.Be5 bxa3 27.bxa3 Rxd3 28.Rc3 Rxc3 29.Bxc3 Ne4 30.Be5 Nb8 31.Bd5+ Kh8 ... 1-0

Tom Mullikin
Liz Wood

1.e4 e5 2.f4 Bc5 3.Nf3 d6 4.d4 exd4 5.Bc4 Nf6 6.Nxd4 0-0 7.0-0 Nxe4 8.Be3 Bd7 9.Qe1 Qf6 10.c3 Nc6 11.Nxc6 Bxc6 12.b4 Bxe3+ 13.Qxe3 Rfe8 14.Nd2 Nxc3 15.Bxf7+ Kxf7 16.Qd3 Ne2+ 17.Kh1 Re7 18.b5 Bd7 19.Rae1 Rae8 20.Qxh7 Bf5 21.Qh5+ Bg6 22.Qd5+ Kf8 23.Rd1 b6 24.Rdel Nc3 25.Qg5 Rxe1 26.Kg1 Rxf1+ 27.Kxf1 Qxg5 28.fxg5 Nxb5 ... 0-1

Liz Wood
Jeffrey Csima

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bc4 e6 5.0-0 Nc6 6.d4 cxd4 7.Nxd4 a6 8.Nf3 Be7 9.Bf4 0-0 10.Re1 b5 11.Bb3 Na5 12.e5 dxe5 13.Bxe5 Bb7 14.Qe2 Nxb3 15.axb3 Qb6 16.Bg3 Rfd8 17.Bh4 Rd7 18.Rad1 Rad8 19.Rxd7 Rxd7 20.Ne5 Rd4 21.Qe3 Bc5 22.Bxf6 gxf6 23.Nf3 Rd1 24.Qe2 Bxf3 25.gxf3 Rxe1+ 26.Qxe1 f5 27.Ne2 Qd8 28.Qf1 Qg5+ 29.Qg2 Qxg2+ 30.Kxg2 Kg7 31.c3 Kf6 32.b4 Bb6 33.f4 Ke7 34.f3 Be3 35.Kg3 f6 36.Kh4 Kf7 37.Kh5 Kg7 38.b3 Bd2 39.h3 Be3 40.Kh4 Bb6 41.Kg3 h6 42.h4 Kf7 43.Kg2 Ke7 44.Kf1 Kd6 45.Ke1 Kd5 46.Kd1 Bf2 47.Kd2 Bxh4 ... 0-1

And now a few words from the Tournament Director....

These shorter time controls are not for everyone. It can be especially difficult for players who are much stronger and comfortable with long time controls. This was the case with George Kovats. He is a fierce competitor and his strength really shows in games longer than G/60. I enjoy playing George whenever we meet. I credit the shorter time control with leveling the playing field, if not giving me an outright edge.

George Kovats
Jerry Maier

1.d4 e5 2.dxe5 f6 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.e3 a6 5.Nc3 fxe5 6.e4 Be7 7.Nd5 Nf6 8.Nxe7 Qxe7 9.Bg5 Qb4+ 10.c3 Qxb2 11.Qc1 Qxc1+ 12.Rxc1 Nxe4 13.Be3 d6 14.Bc4 h6 15.Bd5 Nf6 16.Bb3 b5 17.a3 Na5 18.Ba2 Ng4 19.Bd2 Nc4 20.Bxc4 bxc4 21.h3 Nf6 22.0-0 Ne4 23.Be3 0-0 24.Nd2 Nxd2 25.Bxd2 Rb8 26.Rb1 Rb3 27.Rxb3 cxb3 28.Rb1 Be6 29.a4 Bc4 30.g4 Rf3 31.h4 Kf7 32.Kg2 Bd5 33.Kf1 Rh3 34.g5 Bf3 35.Kg1 0-1

According to Deep Rybka 3, it is mate in 1 after move 35. Kg1. This was one of those games where I saw the mating pattern amongst all the other clutter on the board. It was a good game and I look forward to many more games against George.



Break On Through

by Paul Anderson

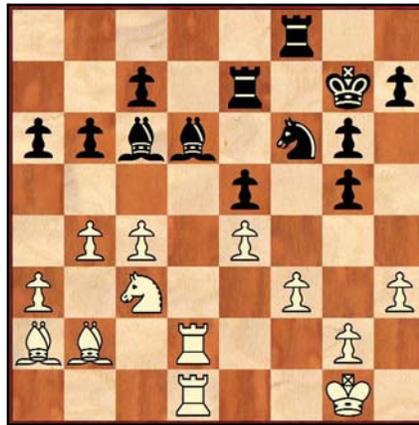
The first game I ever published was a win against my dad (http://home.att.net/~cs.chess/newsletter/Mon_Mar_01_v1.html). I called it the Miracle On Wood, as it ended on the same date (16 years later) as the USA Hockey upset over the Soviets. It was our first game in an email match that continues to this day and spans 51 games over 14 years. I have to give my dad a lot of credit for my chess career as it was his 4 straight wins over me that prompted me to start going to the Colorado Springs Chess Club. Also, it was my victory over him that started my chess newsletter.

After the first win, I switched to publishing my losses to my dad as part of a Father's Day gift. The first Father's Day tribute came out in 2005 called Lessons From Dad (http://home.att.net/~cs.chess/newsletter/Tue_Jun_21_v1.html). I have continued the tradition ever year since. However, this past year I added a new twist: a Mother's Day tribute. Of course, I can't publish my chess losses to my mom as she doesn't play, but I did the next best thing: Publish my victories over her ex-husband. Ok, it is not the greatest tradition, but it does give me an excuse to publish more wins over my dad. They are games that have helped me to improve over the years and break through certain barriers in chess. This game is an example of learning to look for and make an intentional sacrifice to break open a closed position.

Paul Anderson
Douglas Anderson

1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 b6 3.e3 Bb7 4.a3 Nf6
5.Qc2 Be7 6.b3 d6 7.Nf3 Qd7 8.Bb2 Qg4
9.h3 Qg6 10.Qxg6 fxe6 11.Be2 a6 12.0-0
Nbd7 13.d4 0-0 14.Rad1 Rad8 15.dxe5
Nxe5 16.Nxe5 dxe5 17.Rfe1 Bd6 18.Rd2
Rd7 19.Red1 Re7 20.Bd3 Rfe8 21.e4 g5
22.Bb1 g6 23.b4 Kg7 24.f3 Bc6 25.Ba2
Rf8 (see diagram at the top of the next
column.)

Up to this point, it seemed to me that my dad was playing for a draw. He was struggling through another winless drought in our 51-game match. There have been 4 major droughts for him over



the years we have played. These are the times when I get on a roll and he doesn't win a game in more than 5 attempts. The first drought was 7 games, after his 4th win, when I went +5=2. After that, he settled down and kept the match even until his 10th win when I fail to lose in 6 games going +3=3. Another drought occurred after his 12th win (8 games, +3=5) and his 13th win (6 games, +4=2). He usually responds to these droughts by becoming more and more defensive, just waiting for me to become impatient and careless. It usually works, as I have suffered through some droughts of my own. After my 9th win, he went on a 6-game streak winning 3 and drawing 3. Then again, after my 12th win, he rattled off 5 games, winning 2 and drawing 3. We have even suffered though droughts at the same time. During his 8-game drought, we drew 4 straight games.

My goal now is to figure out ways to win these drawn games. This game seemed like the perfect opportunity. It looked like yet another draw after I traded off the queens and failed to do much with a slight edge in the opening. However, he did give me the open file, and I figured that would be where I would have to break through. But the thought of a sacrifice on the d6 bishop scared me to death. I am not a sacrifice kind of player. I prefer to use my mind tricks to pick up some free material. So, I maneuvered my pieces a bit to find another way to break on through his defenses. Finally, it dawned on me that in this world there is the known and the unknown. In between are the doors.

*You know the day destroys the night
Night divides the day*

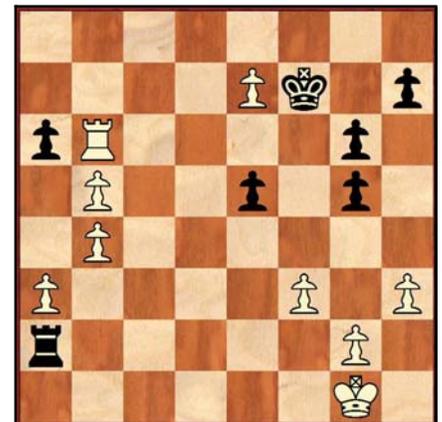
*Tried to run, tried to hide
Break on through to the other side.*

*Made the scene, week to week
Day to day, hour to hour
The gate is straight, deep, and wide
Break on through to the other side*

*(J. Densmore, R. Krieger, R. Manzarek,
J. Morrison - The Doors)*

When I was a child growing up in my hometown of Naperville, we had three toy boxes in our basement: one for my dad, one for my sister, and one for me. I always like peeking at my dad's stuff. He had a drawing of a tiger, the game of Go, and some 8-track tapes. I was surprised to find *The Best Of The Doors* and even more surprised to find that 8-track tapes can get sticky over time and ruin, not only the tape, but also the tape player you borrowed from a friend as well. Eventually, I made a CD of *The Doors* for my dad to replace the tape I ruined. He told me that it was his brother's tape. He just used it during grad school when his noisy downstairs neighbor would play *The Doors* late into the night. He would get up early for class and place the speakers facedown on the floor and crank up "Light My Fire" until he got back. I told him to keep the CD, just in case any of his neighbors at the retirement village got out of hand.

26.Rxd6 cxd6 27.Rxd6 Rc8 28.Nd5
Nxd5? 29.exd5 Bb5 30.cxb5 Rc2
31.Rxb6 Rxb2 32.d6 Rxa2 33.dxe7 Kf7



34.Re6! (It's best to give back material.)
1-0



The Bxh7+ Sacrifice

by NM Todd Bardwick

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Recognizing common patterns is big part of improving your chess strength.

It is often asked about masters, "How much of the game is pattern recognition and how much is calculation?"

I posed this question to several of my chess master friends a few years back. The average answer was 75% pattern recognition and 25% calculation.

The bishop sacrifice on h7 against a castled king is a pattern you should learn and commit to memory. This tactic frequently occurs when Black's knight is away from the f6 square, where it protects the h7 square.

Both examples given below have similar themes: a bishop sacrifice on h7, followed by another bishop sacrifice on g7, followed by a queen-rook roller mate threat with a rook lift!

Consider this position between Klaus Junge and Cenek Kottnauer from Prague, Czechoslovakia, in 1942.

Cenek Kottnauer



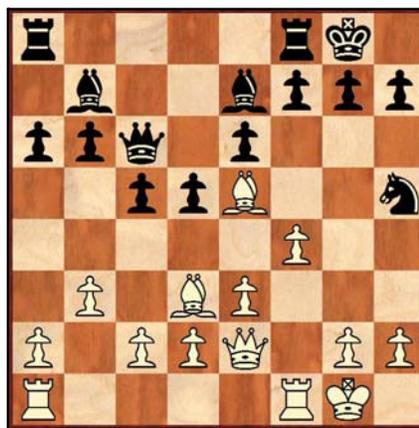
Klaus Junge

Position after 16...Nxc5

Play continued, **17.Bxh7+! Kxh7 18.Qh5+ Kg8 19.Bxg7! f5** 19...Kxg7 doesn't work for Black because of 20.Qg4+ Kf6 21.Qg5 mate or 20...Kh7 21.Rf3 lifting the rook and threatening to deliver mate on h3. **20.Be5!** Threatening both 21.Qg6 mate and 21.Bxb8 **20...Bf6 21.Bxb8 Rh7 22.Qe2 Rxb8 23.Nd6** and White went on to win with his material advantage.

Here is a position from one of Emanuel Lasker's famous games that took place in Amsterdam in 1889.

Johann Bauer



Emanuel Lasker

Position after 14...Nx(N)h5

White could recapture with 15.Qxh5, but Black could meet the mate threat with

15...f5 and White doesn't have any significant advantage as Black's king is protected.

The second world champion played, **15.Bxh7+! Kxh7 16.Qxh5+ Kg8 17.Bxg7!** This second bishop sacrifice, threatens 18.Qh8 mate. **17...Kxg7 18.Qg4+ Kh7 19.Rf3** Here comes the rook lift with mate threats. **19...e5** The only way to avoid the queen-rook roller mate is to give up the Black queen. **20.Rh3+ Qh6 21.Rxh6+ Kxh6 22.Qd7** forking the bishops to win back enough material to eventually win the game. Lasker saw this bishop fork in his mind before he played the first bishop sacrifice!

Of course, not every Bxh7+ sacrifice is followed up by the second bishop sacrifice on g7. But this is definitely a tactical pattern to commit to memory. A common variation of this tactic against a castled king is after the king takes the bishop on h7, a white knight on f3 moves to g5, giving check, and, after the king moves, the white lady goes to h5 threatening Qh7 mate.

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"The Chess Players" by John Lavery

2009 ROCKY MOUNTAIN K-12 GRADE CHAMPIONSHIP

November 7, 2009

K-1st Grade		1	2	3	4	5	Score	
1	Nicholas Isacoff*	1	W4	W5	W3	W2	W6	5.0
2	Bethany Hsi	1	W5	W3	W6	L1	L4	3.0
3	Caleb Alons*	K	W6	L2	L1	W4	W5	3.0
4	Michael Mitchell	1	L1	W6	L5	L3	W2	2.0
5	Josiah Alons	K	L2	L1	W4	W6	L3	2.0
6	Luciano Mary	K	L3	L4	L2	L5	L1	0.0

2nd Grade		1	2	3	4	5	Score	
1	Sara Herman*		W6	D2	W7	W3	W5	4.5
2	Jiaming Oliver Yu		W8	D1	W6	L5	W3	3.5
3	Aritra Nag		W4	W8	W5	L1	L2	3.0
4	Max Pizzimenti		L3	L6	W10	W9	W8	3.0
5	Angela Burdick		W10	D7	L3	W2	L1	2.5
6	Enkhsaihan Tulga		L1	W4	L2	W10	D9	2.5
7	Angel Wang		W9	D5	L1	L8	W10	2.5
8	Jessica Barkemeyer		L2	L3	W9	W7	L4	2.0
9	Trevor Schnetzler		L7	W10	L8	L4	D6	1.5
10	Yujin Park		L5	L9	L4	L6	L7	0.0

3rd Grade		1	2	3	4	5	Score	
1	Alexander Hemmat*		W13	D10	W9	W2	W5	4.5
2	Mitchell Watkins		W8	W15	W6	L1	W7	4.0
3	Caleb Lasley		W14	L6	W15	W8	W11	4.0
4	Rhett Fruitman		L11	W16	D5	W13	W10	3.5
5	Arvin Bilegsaikhan		W7	D11	D4	W10	L1	3.0
6	Tyler With		W12	W3	L2	L7	W14	3.0
7	Mark Cafaro-Staufner		L5	W17	W12	W6	L2	3.0
8	Josh Umana		L2	B	W14	L3	W12	3.0
9	Nick Law		W17	W14	L1	L11	B	3.0
10	Max Chambers		W16	D1	W11	L5	L4	2.5
11	Evan Tellschow		W4	D5	L10	W9	L3	2.5
12	Jenna Kondracki		L6	W13	L7	W15	L8	2.0
13	Davis Olson		L1	L12	B	L4	W15	2.0
14	Jacob Clark		L3	L9	L8	B	L6	1.0
15	Tara Martinez		B	L2	L3	L12	L13	1.0
16	Derek Strong		L10	L4	W17	U	U	1.0
17	Nowell Chisholm		L9	L7	L16	U	U	0.0

4th Grade		1	2	3	4	5	Score	
1	Ryan Swerdlin*		W17	W11	W2	W3	W4	5.0
2	Ethan Schacht		W14	W6	L1	W9	W8	4.0
3	Abhiram Edupuganti		W18	W9	W5	L1	W7	4.0
4	Sai Tedla		H	W7	W6	W5	L1	3.5
5	Ryan Burdick		W8	W12	L3	L4	W10	3.0
6	Claire Stufflebeam		W10	L2	L4	W13	W11	3.0
7	Mark Wilkins		W15	L4	W17	W12	L3	3.0
8	Naomi Brown		L5	W13	W11	W10	L2	3.0
9	McKenzie Alons		X19	L3	W15	L2	W14	3.0
10	Joseph Dicke		L6	W14	W12	L8	L5	2.0
11	Kylee Alons		W16	L1	L8	W15	L6	2.0
12	Hannah Hsi		W13	L5	L10	L7	W16	2.0
13	Blaise Gaudreault		L12	L8	W16	L6	W15	2.0
14	Ben Law		L2	L10	W18	X17	L9	2.0
15	Sean Lockwood		L7	W18	L9	L11	L13	1.0
16	Josef Adamski		L11	L17	L13	W18	L12	1.0
17	Snigdha Nawala		L1	W16	L7	F14	U	1.0
18	Lillie Van De Weghe		L3	L15	L14	L16	B	1.0
19	Abhi Bdupuzanti		F9	U	U	U	U	0.0

5th Grade		1	2	3	4	5	Score	
1	Nathan Biesterfeld*		W6	W10	W11	W2	W4	5.0
2	Bryant So		W8	W12	W3	L1	W5	4.0
3	Spencer Shook		W13	W5	L2	W10	W11	4.0
4	Roman Mary		D7	W16	W12	W11	L1	3.5
5	Caleb Workman		W16	L3	W6	W13	L2	3.0
6	Chandler Meinders		L1	B	L5	W14	W10	3.0
7	Michael Gilbreath		D4	W8	L10	D9	W12	3.0
8	Bryce Rombach		L2	L7	B	W15	W13	3.0
9	Tawny Langseth		L11	L14	W17	D7	W16	2.5
10	Ryan Weber		W15	L1	W7	L3	L6	2.0
11	Samuel Cohen		W9	W17	L1	L4	L3	2.0
12	Matteo Bassani		W14	L2	L4	W17	L7	2.0
13	Daniel Herman		L3	W15	W14	L5	L8	2.0
14	Amy Wang		L12	W9	L13	L6	W17	2.0
15	Chandler Johnson		L10	L13	W16	L8	B	2.0
16	Shania Lasley		L5	L4	L15	B	L9	1.0
17	Brennan Olson		B	L11	L9	L12	L14	1.0

6th Grade		1	2	3	4	5	Score	
1	Jake Watkins*		W8	W19	W14	W2	W5	5.0
2	Reid Wilking		W17	W20	W4	L1	W9	4.0
3	Brady Barkemeyer		L5	W22	W21	W8	W7	4.0
4	Amrita Nag		W24	W15	L2	W16	W10	4.0
5	Joshua Hsi		W3	D6	W15	W7	L1	3.5
6	Anthony Mitchell		W10	D5	L7	W22	W14	3.5
7	Kaitlyn Barlow		W16	W11	W6	L5	L3	3.0
8	Bobby Lockwood		L1	W25	W12	L3	W16	3.0
9	Megan Cho		W12	L14	W11	W13	L2	3.0
10	Max Shean		L6	W24	W20	W14	L4	3.0
11	Ryan Taylor		W21	L7	L9	W19	W17	3.0
12	Olwyn Doyle		L9	W18	L8	W23	W21	3.0
13	Ryan Winz		L15	W17	W23	L9	W18	3.0
14	Lennon Gashwazra		W18	W9	L1	L10	L6	2.0
15	Eddie McNulty		W13	L4	L5	L17	W22	2.0
16	William Shand		L7	W26	W19	L4	L8	2.0
17	Cameron Mihaley		L2	L13	W26	W15	L11	2.0
18	Aaron Scites		L14	L12	W25	W20	L13	2.0
19	Risten Baker		W25	L1	L16	L11	W23	2.0
20	Celina Cafaro-Staufner		W26	L2	L10	L18	W25	2.0
21	Adam Shaffer		L11	D23	L3	W24	L12	1.5
22	AJ Stewart		D23	L3	W24	L6	L15	1.5
23	Erik Hillman		D22	D21	L13	L12	L19	1.0
24	Liam James		L4	L10	L22	L21	B	1.0
25	Sam Delao		L19	L8	L18	B	L20	1.0
26	Jackson Belva		L20	L16	L17	H	U	0.5
27	Hannah Mellecker		U	U	U	U	U	0.0

7th Grade		1	2	3	4	5	Score	
1	Kurt Kondracki*		W6	L4	W5	W8	W2	4.0
2	Issac Martinez*		W9	W7	W8	W4	L1	4.0
3	Sherry Langseth		W12	W6	L4	W7	D8	3.5
4	Rebecca Isacoff		W10	W1	W3	L2	L5	3.0
5	Matthew Lasley Jr.		W11	L8	L1	W9	W4	3.0
6	Budimir Stanisc		L1	L3	W12	W14	W10	3.0
7	Derek So		W14	L2	W13	L3	W9	3.0
8	Zach Umana		W13	W5	L2	L1	D3	2.5
9	Anthony Bradley		L2	W10	W14	L5	L7	2.0
10	Eric Gardner		L4	L9	W11	W13	L6	2.0
11	Paul Hammes		L5	L13	L10	W12	W14	2.0
12	Zach Nizzi		L3	D14	L6	L11	W13	1.5
13	Nehemiah Hein		L8	W11	L7	L10	L12	1.0
14	Chris Gaddie		L7	D12	L9	L6	L11	0.5
15	Jack Glaser		U	U	U	U	U	0.0

* Denotes Colorado Grade Champion

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8th-9th Grade		1	2	3	4	5	Score	10th-12th Grade		1	2	3	4	5	Score		
1	Losol Amarbayasgalan*	8	W6	W4	W3	W2	W5	5.0	1	Phillip Scudder*	12	W7	W3	W2	W4	W6	5.0
2	Zachary Wilkins*	9	W13	W5	W4	L1	W3	4.0	2	Rhett Langseth*	10	W5	W4	L1	W3	W7	4.0
3	Alexa Lasley	9	W8	W7	L1	W6	L2	3.0	3	Kaylor Scudder	12	W11	L1	W6	L2	W9	3.0
4	Zachary Chase	9	W9	L1	L2	W7	W11	3.0	4	Dave Bitzko	10	W9	L2	W11	L1	W8	3.0
5	Tessa Lasley	8	W12	L2	W9	W10	L1	3.0	5	Katherine Wise	10	L2	W8	W10	L6	B	3.0
6	Caleb Suresh	8	L1	W10	W12	L3	W9	3.0	6	David Wise*	11	D8	W10	L3	W5	L1	2.5
7	Reece Cantwell	8	W11	L3	D8	L4	W10	2.5	7	Mark Bosco	11	L1	W9	L8	B	L2	2.0
8	Xuming Zeng	8	L3	B	D7	L9	W13	2.5	8	Kevin McKenzie	10	D6	L5	W7	D11	L4	2.0
9	Jackson Warley	9	L4	W11	L5	W8	L6	2.0	9	Philip Beltracchi	11	L4	L7	B	W10	L3	2.0
10	Nicholas Topolnycky	8	B	L6	W13	L5	L7	2.0	10	Cody Meinders	10	B	L6	L5	L9	W11	2.0
11	Kieran Doyle	8	L7	L9	B	W12	L4	2.0	11	Tyler Chase	10	L3	B	L4	D8	L10	1.5
12	Rian McEnary	8	L5	W13	L6	L11	B	2.0									
13	Matthew Beck	8	L2	L12	L10	B	L8	1.0									

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K-1st Grade Awards



2nd Grade Awards



3rd Grade Awards



4th Grade Awards



5th Grade Awards



6th Grade Awards



7th Grade Awards



8th-9th Grade Awards



10th-12th Grade Awards

Women Are Better Chess Players

by Joe Fromme

Men chess players nervously enter the tournament hall fidgeting, snorting, defensive, generally behaving as a parole violator in a courthouse. Only breaking news of an impending thermo-nuclear attack could deter their beeline to the all important first round pairings list. A quick viewing, a deep sigh, a sad look, and maybe some tears. He laments inwardly being paired against Brian Wall, who is only the greatest Colorado Chess Player of all time. Starting his big tournament with a big round zero in the cross tables was not the glorious start envisioned, no maybe about it, now there are tears.

Women chess players gracefully glide into the tournament hall with serenity, dignity and a beautiful golden silence. They ponder the gift of a weekend off from work playing chess, and worries not about results...after all it is only a game. Patiently absorbing the atmosphere they initiate social pleasantries, eventually reading the pairing, proceeding calmly to destiny.

It is a scientific fact that about ninety percent of men chess players have almost zero fashion sense, while the other ten percent have at least aspired to become fashion competent. We know who they are, they know they are...not that there is anything wrong with that. For example, drab olive green shirt, orange shorts with black socks is fashion terrorism. Greasy t-shirts, worn pants and disheveled hair are acceptable only for teenagers. To be sure, leather jackets with sweat pants are appropriate only at inner city red light districts and SciFi conventions.

Women chess players naturally understand the concept of colors interacting harmoniously. So be it. More important however is the ancient concept of Pride in Appearance. Simply put, they never arrive at the tournament hall looking like they just rolled out of a Goodwill dumpster or a van filled with newspapers and cheeseburger wrappers.

Women exude subtle fragrances of blooming flowers in alpine meadows while men on a good day smell like beef jerky. Regarding chess literature, the greatest chess book of all time is entitled "Chess Bitch", and no, it was not written by Gary Kasparov. As is well known, men chess players are gamers who only really care about one thing. Humbly, I too am such a gamer, waking up in the morning, that constant desire does task me so...tacos and beer for breakfast!



"The Game of Chess"
by Arturo Ricci

Tactics Time Answers:

If you have a position from a game played in Colorado with an interesting tactic please send it to me! It can be anything from a mate in one to a deep combination that only you and a smart car could have possibly figured out! Email: TimmyBx@aol.com or <http://www.timmybx.com>.

1. Shannon's foxy pieces ganged up on Black before he could call in the Wolfe **1.Nxf5 Qxb2+ 2.Kxb2 Nf7 3.Nh6+ Nxh6 4.Qg7#**
2. Just about anything white does here wins, but **1.Qc1** would have been fastest, discovering an attack on the queen, which cannot move, and still defend the unprotected rook behind it.
3. After **1...Nd3+** it's Miller Time for Black. The overloaded White queen cannot protect the rook on a1 and get stalemated king out of check at the same time. After **1...Nd3+ 2.Qxd3 Qxa1+** White resigned.
4. In this position the Black bishop just captured a piece on e5 and White needs to recapture. He has two ways to do this. Lee flipped a coin and picked **1.dxe5**, but **1.fxe5!** is better, because it discovers an attack on the hanging h6 pawn and helps launch a deadly kingside attack. The game ended in a draw.
5. I helped mated myself on the previous move with **Rg8** allowing **1.Qf6+ Rg7 2.Qxg7#** It's not easy beating Greene.
6. Michael robs Morgan of a pawn after **1...Nxd4**. If White recaptures with **2.Nxd4 Qh4+** gets the knight back with interest.
7. Randy shined after **1.Qb6** trapping the White queen on the next move with **2.Bb7** and eventually won the uneven endgame with queen and two bishops versus rook and 3 minor pieces.
8. Charles gave Gordon's king a dishonorable discharge after **1.Qa8+ Kc7 2.b8=Q+ (2.b8=B+ works as well and earns additional style points for the reader) 2...Rxb3 3.Qc6+ Kd8 4.Qd7#**
9. Chai took it to the house with the surprising **1.Nb8** adding a third attacker to the rook on d7.

2009 Correspondence Championship Update

by Klaus Johnson

Lee Lahti
Klaus Johnson

1.c4 Nf6 2.d4 e6 3.g3 d5 4.Nf3 c6
5.Nbd2 Be7 6.Bg2 O-O 7.O-O Nbd7
8.Qc2 Qc7 9.e4 dxe4 10.Nxe4 Rd8 11.a3
e5 12.b4 exd4 13.Nxd4 Nxe4 14.Bxe4
Nf6 15.Bf4 Bd6 16.Bg5 Be5 17.Nb3
Bxa1 18.Rxa1 h6 19.Bxf6 gxf6 20.Qc3
Qe5 21.Qf3 Be6 22.Rc1 Rd6 23.Nc5 Rd4
24.Nxe6 fxe6 25.Bc2 Rad8 26.b5 Qg5
27.Re1 Rd2 28.Bb1 cxb5 29.Qxb7 Rd1
30.Qe4 Rxe1+ 31.Qxe1 Qg4 32.Qb4
Qxc4 33.Qe7 Rd1+ 34.Kg2 Qd5+ 35.Kh3
Rxb1 36.Qe8+ Kg7 37.Qe7+ Kg6
38.Qe8+ Kf5 39.Qh5+ Ke4 40.Qe2+ Kd4
41.Qd2+ Kc5 42.Qe2+ Kd6 43.Qxb1
Qf5+ 44.Qxf5 exf5 45.Kg2 a5 0-1

Paul Covington
Lee Lahti

1.c4 Nf6 2.g3 g6 3.Bg2 Bg7 4.Nc3 O-O
5.Nf3 c5 6.O-O d6 7.b3 Nc6 8.Bb2 Bf5
9.d4 cxd4 10.Nxd4 Bd7 11.Nc2 Qc8
12.Re1 Bh3 13.Nd5 Bxg2 14.Kxg2 Qe6
15.e4 Rab8 16.Nxf6+ Bxf6 17.Bxf6 Qxf6
18.Ne3 Rbd8 19.Nd5 Qg7 20.Re2 Rd7
21.Rb1 Rfd8 22.Rd2 Ne5 23.Qe2 e6
24.Ne3 f5 25.exf5 exf5 26.f4 Nc6 27.Nd5
Qf7 28.Rbd1 b6 29.b4 Ne7 30.Qe3 Nxd5
31.Rxd5 Qf6 32.Qb3 Qe6 33.c5 Kf8
34.Kf2 bxc5 35.bxc5 Rc8 36.Re1 Qf6
37.Re2 Rxc5 38.Rd3 Re7 39.Qb8+ Kf7
40.Rxd6 Rxe2+ 41.Kxe2 Qe7+ 42.Kd2
Rc7 43.Qb3+ 1/2-1/2

We've now stopped accepting entries for

the 2010 Colorado Correspondence Championship, but there are still many other tournaments you can play. Registration for all of the following tournaments are ongoing, and you will be placed into the next available section (usually the wait is under a month).

The largest and prestigious USCF tournament is the Golden Knights. This postal tournament has a long history (2010 will be its 63rd edition, and a new one has been held every year since 1963). Since there are far too many players to play in one section, players are organized into preliminary sections of seven players each. Each player will play six games simultaneously (three white, three black), one against each player. Players who score 4.5 points or more in the preliminary round will go on to the semi-final stage, where they will be paired with six other players. The few survivors scoring 4.5 points or more in the semi-final round will then be invited to play in one of the few final sections. Once all of the sections are finished, a weighted score will be calculated for all of the finalists. The player with the highest weighted score is the champion. The long time control, the distance that postcards must travel back and forth, and the fact that there are three different sections a player must master makes for a very long tournament.

If you would like to transmit moves by email, then you should consider the Electronic Knights instead. Although the time control and the format (three sections) is the same, games move along more quickly because there is no time lost in transmission. The Electronic Knights still lags behind the Golden Knights in terms of both number of entries and rating, in no small part because the Golden Knights

is still considered to be USCF correspondence's "open" championship.

The entry fee for either the Golden Knights or the Electronic Knights is \$25 and players may enter up to 10 times. The period of registration for the 2010 Knights is from December 1st 2009 through November 30th 2010. Preliminary sections begin play in early January 2010 and will keep being added until mid-December.

There are other stand-alone tournaments you can play through email that are rated by USCF, tournament formats are either four-player double round robins or seven-player single round robins. The four player tournaments cost \$7 (no prizes), or \$10 (\$30 store credit to winner), and the seven-player costs \$15 (\$30 store credit to winner, \$20 to 2nd place). All three of these are organized into one of three rating groups. Master Class (2000+), Intermediate (1600-1999), and Beginner (Under 1600). Remember these are correspondence ratings, not your regular USCF. For more details on these tournaments (and the Knights) go to USCF's webpage at <http://main.uschess.org/content/view/7523/393/>.

If you'd like to give correspondence chess a try, but don't want to spend any money, you could sign up for a free account on www.redhotpawn.com. You can play up to six correspondence games simultaneously with a free account. Full membership costs \$40 per year and allows you to play unlimited games. So there's a lot out there for any people who are curious about correspondence chess. If you have any questions, please send me an email at CSCAemailcc@gmail.com, and I'll do my best to help you.



2009 Correspondence Championship Final Standings

Name	Rating	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total	SB
Jeffrey Baffo	2325	1	-	½	1	1	1	1	1	1	7.5	25.50
Klaus Johnson	1627	2	½	-	½	1	0	1	1	1	6.0	20.50
Archie Shipp	1353	3	0	½	-	1	0	½	½	1	4.5	14.00
Paul Covington	1317	4	0	0	0	-	1	½	½	1	4.0	10.50
Derek Fish	1301	5	0	1	1	0	-	0	1	0	3.5	14.75
Tim Brennan	1368	6	0	0	½	½	1	-	½	1	3.5	11.50
Lee Lahti	1442	7	0	0	½	½	0	½	-	1	3.5	9.50
Chai Neuhaus	1026	8	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	-	2.0	5.00
Ginny Gaige	1202	9	0	0	0	0	½	1	0	0	1.5	5.25

COLORADO CHESS CLUB DIRECTORY

Adams State College Chess Club meets Tuesdays, 6:30-10pm, at Adams State College Student Center in the food court. Meets during academic year. Late August through April. For info call Joe Kolupke at (719) 589-9354 or email: jkolupke@adams.edu for more details.

Aurora Chess Club meets Saturdays, 1-4pm, at the Aurora Public Library, 14949 East Alameda. They now have a coach for those that want to learn to play. Contact Jeff Baffo at email: jbaffo2004@msn.com or at (303) 617-9123.

Boulder Chess Club is back in business and meets every Wednesday at the UMC Alfred Packer Grill 6:30-11:30pm. See www.geocities.com/boulderchessclub or email: boulderchessclub@yahoo.com for more details.

Carbondale Chess Club meets every Tuesday from 6pm 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.

Chess Knights (Highlands Ranch) meets on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday Evening from 7-9pm. From 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://groups.yahoo.com/group/HighlandsRanch-ChessClub>. Contact: Frank Atwood (720) 260 1493 or email: frank_atwood80120@yahoo.com.

Colorado Springs Chess Club meets Tuesday evenings, 7-10pm, in the downstairs game room of the Acacia Apartments Building, 104 East Platte. Scheduled activities every meeting at 8pm (must show up by 8pm 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.

Dean Moon Chess Club (Westcliffe) plays on Fridays beginning at 12:30pm in the community room adjacent to the library, 209 Main Street (1/2 block west of Highways 69 and 96/main intersection). Casual. No dues. All levels welcome. Call Russ Stark, (719) 371-0696.

Denver Chess Club meets Tuesdays 6:30-11pm at the 1st Avenue Presbyterian Church (1 block West of Broadway and 1st & Acoma). Contact Bruce Bain at (720) 318-6496 or email: yaxisx@aol.com for more info.

Durango Chess Club meets at 6:30pm Wednesdays. Speed chess and informal instruction take place along with regular games in a casual atmosphere. Newcomers of all ages are welcome. No dues required. The location alternates weekly between Steaming Bean and Magpies Newsstand. Call John Mical (970) 259-4718.

Fort Collins Chess Club currently meets Tuesdays, 7pm, 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 Bldg, 2853 North Ave. Call Rand Dodd at (970) 245-4015.

Greeley Chess Club meets Thursdays, 7-10pm, Best Western Inn, Lopiano's Restaurant, 8th Avenue and 8th Street. Call Herb Conley at (970) 352-6142.

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

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

Pueblo Chess Club meets at the Daily Grind Café, 209 South Union on Tuesdays and Thursdays after 6:30pm. For more info contact Liz Wood at chessliz@comcast.net or (719) 566-6929.

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

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

USAF Academy Chess Club meets most Fridays during the school year, 4-6pm, Fairchild Hall, Room 5D2. Call Jim Serpa or Pete Cohen at (719) 333-4470.

*For new or updated listing information
please email Fred Eric Spell at
spellfe@hotmail.com.*



UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS

5th Al Ufer Memorial January 2, 2010

4 Round Swiss System Tournament.

Time Control: Game/60, TD/5.

Site: Masonic Lodge, 455 El Paso Avenue, Manitou Springs, CO.

Directions: Take I-25 to Exit 141, US 24 West. Head 3 1/2 miles west towards the mountains and depart US 24 at the Manitou Avenue exit. Turn west onto Manitou Avenue then go 1 mile to the Manitou Springs City Hall. Turn right for 2 1/2 blocks to the Masonic Lodge.

Open: Open to all.

Reserve: Open to players rated under 1600.

Entry Fee: \$30 if received by 12/31/2009; \$35 at site. \$9 off EF for Seniors (65 & over), Juniors (under 21), and Unrated players (no USCF Rating on the USCF Ratings website on day of Registration). CSCA Membership required (\$15, \$10 for Jr, Sr, & UNR). OSA.

Prizes: Open: 1st: 10% of total EFs, 2nd: 7%, Master 6%, Expert 6%, A: 6%, B: 6%, UNR: 6%. Reserve (Under 1600): 1st: 10%, 2nd: 7%, C: 6%, D: 6%, E: 6%, U1000: 6%.

Registration: January 2, 2010 8:00-8:45am.

Rounds: 9:00am, 11:15am, 2:00pm, 4:15pm.

Entries: Dean Brown 4225 Hedge Lane, Colorado Springs, CO, 80917.

Phone: (719) 573-5176.

E-mail: navajo36us80917@comcast.net

Unrated players may only win prizes in the Open section.

One non-retractable 1/2 bye may be requested no later than the start of the 2nd Round.

Colorado Tour Event.

A Southern Colorado Chess Event.

2010 January East Coast Deli January 6 - 27, 2010

4 Round Swiss System Tournament.

Time Control: All Rounds: Game/90, TD/5.

Site: East Coast Deli, 24 S Tejon St, Colorado Springs, CO 80903.

Directions: The Deli is located between Pikes Peak and Colorado Avenues. Street parking can be tricky, although there is free parking near the movie theatre (north east) and around the court buildings (1 block south and east). The Plaza of the Rockies has paid parking for \$1 after 5:00pm, located between S. Tejon and S. Nevada on Colorado Avenue.

Open: Open to all.

Entry Fee: \$10 covers the entire month of Wednesdays

Prizes: Cash prizes per entries paid on final Wednesday of event, usually 85%-90% of entry fees, for a 1st place with Under sections based on number of players (typically 4).

Registration: 5:15-5:45pm every Wednesday.

Rounds: 6:00-9:00pm. January 6, 13, 20, and 27. 1 game per evening. TD assumes you are playing all rounds unless notified in advance. One 1/2 point bye is allowed this month.

Entries: Jerry Maier 229 Hargrove Court, Colorado Springs,

CO 80919.

Phone: (719) 660-5531.

E-mail: pmjer77@aim.com

Once in the establishment, take the long hall to the back room.

Please support the deli if able.

USCF membership required.

January 2010 G/29 Grand Prix Event January 21, 2010

3 Round Swiss System Tournament.

Time Control: Game/29, No Delay.

Site: Zachariah's Food Court, University Center Lower Level, UNC Campus, Greeley, CO.

Directions: Take Highway 34 into Greeley. From Highway 34, turn North (Left if heading East on Highway 34, Right if heading West) onto 11th Avenue. Continue on 11th Avenue until you reach 22nd Street. Turn Right on 22nd Street. Take the first Left into the parking lot of the University Center.

Open: One section. Accelerated Pairings used with more than 12 players. USCF membership required.

Entry Fee: \$3.

Prizes: 100% of entry fees, minus USCF rating fee. (70% of total entry fees for tourney prizes, remainder after rating fee to Grand Prix Prize Fund).

Registration: 6:30-7:00pm. Onsite registration only, but please email if you intend to come.

Rounds: 7:00pm, 8:00pm, 9:00pm.

Entries: Lee Lahti.

E-mail: fc-chess@comcast.net

A G/29 Grand Prix Event, hosted by the Greeley & UNC Chess Clubs.

Loveland Open January 30 - 31, 2010

4 Round Swiss System Tournament.

Time Control: 40/2, Game/1.

Site: Larimer County Fairgrounds, 1st National Bank Exhibition Hall, 5280 Arena Circle, Loveland, CO, 80538.

Directions: I-25 to exit 259, Crossroads Boulevard. Go east to Fairground Avenue and turn left. Look on left for the archway and turn left there. Watch for the signs.

Open: Open to all.

Santa Fe: Open to rated under 1610 & unrated.

Entry Fee: \$35 (\$30 if received by January 28).

Prizes: Based on entries.

Registration: 8:00-9:30am.

Rounds: Saturday - 10:00am, 4:00pm;

Sunday - 9:00am, 3:00pm.

Entries: Randy Reynolds 1839 Thyme Court, Fort Collins, CO 80528.

Phone: (970) 310-4224.

E-mail: randy_teyana@msn.com

\$7 discount for Junior, Senior or Unrated.

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Colorado Tour Event.
CSCA membership required. (\$15; \$10 for Junior, Senior).
OSA.

2010 February East Coast Deli February 3 - 24, 2010

4 Round Swiss System Tournament.

Time Control: All Rounds: Game/90, TD/5.

Site: East Coast Deli, 24 S Tejon St, Colorado Springs, CO 80903.

Directions: The Deli is located between Pikes Peak and Colorado Avenues. Street parking can be tricky, although there is free parking near the movie theatre (north east) and around the court buildings (1 block south and east). The Plaza of the Rockies has paid parking for \$1 after 5:00pm, located between S. Tejon and S. Nevada on Colorado Avenue.

Open: Open to all.

Entry Fee: \$10 covers the entire month of Wednesdays

Prizes: Cash prizes per entries paid on final Wednesday of event, usually 85%-90% of entry fees, for a 1st place with Under sections based on number of players (typically 4).

Registration: 5:15-5:45pm every Wednesday.

Rounds: 6:00-9:00pm. February 3, 10, 17, and 24. 1 game per evening. TD assumes you are playing all rounds unless notified in advance. One ½ point bye is allowed this month.

Entries: Jerry Maier 229 Hargrove Court, Colorado Springs CO 80919.

Phone: (719) 660-5531.

E-mail: pmjer77@aim.com

Once in the establishment, take the long hall to the back room. Please support the deli if able.

USCF membership required.

February 2010 G/29 Grand Prix Event February 17, 2010

3 Round Swiss System Tournament.

Time Control: Game/29, No Delay.

Site: Alfred Packer Grill, University Memorial Center, CU Campus, Boulder, CO.

Open: One open section. Accelerated Pairings used with more than 12 entries. USCF membership required.

Entry Fee: \$3.

Prizes: 100% of entry fees, minus USCF rating fee. (70% of total entry fees for tourney prizes, remainder after rating fee to Grand Prix Prize Fund).

Registration: 6:30-7:00pm. Onsite registration only, but please email if you intend to come.

Rounds: 7:00pm, 8:00pm, 9:00pm.

Entries: Julian Evans.

E-mail: boulderchessclub@yahoo.com

A G/29 Grand Prix Event, hosted by the Boulder Chess Club.

The Slow Road to Perfection One Day Rated Chess Tournament February 20, 2010

5 Round Swiss System Tournament.

Time Control: Game/30, TD/5.

Site: The Daily Grind, 209 S. Union, Pueblo, CO.

Directions: Take 1st Street exit, three blocks to Union; Union & D Street.

Sections: Open.

Entry Fee: \$20; Senior, Junior, Unrated \$15; CSCA & USCF required, OSA.

Pre-Registration Entry Fee: \$15, which must be paid at the time of pre-registration.

Prizes: Cash prizes based on entry fees will be distributed at the conclusion of the event.

Registration: 9:00-9:45am.

Rounds: 10:00am, 11:15am, 12:30pm, 2:30pm, 3:45pm.

Entries: Liz Wood.

Phone: (719) 566-6929.

E-mail: chessliz@comcast.net

Send pre-registrations to: Jerry Maier at 229 Hargrove Court, Colorado Springs, CO 80919-2213 or pmjer77@aim.com by February 18th.

Final round byes must be requested before the start of Round 2, and are irrevocable.

Colorado Tour Event.

2010 March East Coast Deli March 3 - 31, 2010

5 Round Swiss System Tournament.

Time Control: All Rounds: Game/90, TD/5.

Site: East Coast Deli, 24 S Tejon St, Colorado Springs, CO 80903.

Directions: The Deli is located between Pikes Peak and Colorado Avenues. Street parking can be tricky, although there is free parking near the movie theatre (north east) and around the court buildings (1 block south and east). The Plaza of the Rockies has paid parking for \$1 after 5:00pm, located between S. Tejon and S. Nevada on Colorado Avenue.

Open: Open to all.

Entry Fee: \$10 covers the entire month of Wednesdays

Prizes: Cash prizes per entries paid on final Wednesday of event, usually 85%-90% of entry fees, for a 1st place with Under sections based on number of players (typically 4).

Registration: 5:15-5:45pm every Wednesday.

Rounds: 6:00-9:00pm. March 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31. 1 game per evening. TD assumes you are playing all rounds unless notified in advance. Two ½ point byes are allowed this month.

Entries: Jerry Maier 229 Hargrove Court, Colorado Springs, CO 80919.

Phone: (719) 660-5531.

E-mail: pmjer77@aim.com

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USCF membership required.

Colorado Springs Open March 6 - 7, 2010

5 Round Swiss System Tournament.

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Time Control: Rounds 1-3 40/90 and Game/1; Rounds 4-5 40/2 and Game/1.

Site: Manitou Springs City Hall, 606 Manitou Avenue, Manitou Springs, CO.

Sections: One open section.

Entry Fee: \$30 if received by March 4, \$35 at site. \$8 EF discount for Juniors, Seniors, Unrated.

Prizes: Cash prizes per entries.

Registration: 8:30-9:30am.

Rounds: Saturday - 10am, 2:30pm, 7:00pm;
Sunday - 9:00am, 3:00pm.

Entries: Richard Buchanan, 1 Sutherland Road, Manitou Springs, CO 80829.

Phone: (719) 685-1984.

E-mail: buckpeace@pcisys.net

Colorado Tour Event.

CSCA required, (\$15, Juniors. & Seniors - \$10), OSA.

Chess Knight with the Colorado Avalanche March 6, 2010

Site: Pepsi Center.

Entry Fee: \$27 covers chess seminar at 5:45pm by NM Todd Bardwick, soda, food and Avalanche game vs. St. Louis Blues at 7:00pm.

Prizes: Prizes and give-a-ways will be handed out to the kids at seminar.

Entries: www.ColoradoMasterChess.com or
www.pepsicenter.com/groups/avalanche/chess

Phone: (303) 405-6074.

E-mail: bneeson@pepsicenter.com

March 2010 G/29 Grand Prix Event March 30, 2010

3 Round Swiss System Tournament.

Time Control: Game/29, No Delay.

Site: 1st Avenue Presbyterian Church, 120 West 1st Avenue (1st & Acoma, 1 block west of Broadway), Denver, CO.

Open: One section. Accelerated Pairings used with more than 12 players. USCF membership required.

Entry Fee: \$3.

Prizes: 100% of entry fees, minus USCF rating fee. (60% of total entry fees for tourney prizes, remainder after rating fee to Grand Prix Prize Fund).

Registration: 6:00-7:00pm. Onsite registration only, but please email if you intend to come.

Rounds: 7:00pm, 8:00pm, 9:00pm.

Entries: Joe Haines.

E-mail: joehaines@comcast.net

A G/29 Grand Prix Event, hosted by the Denver Chess Club.

Springs Fundraiser April 3, 2010

4 Round Swiss System Tournament.

Time Control: Game/30.

Site: Grace Place Church, 2403 Templeton Gap Road, Colorado Springs, CO.

Open: Played in sections if entries warrant.

Entry Fee: \$20 (\$15 for Juniors, Seniors, Unrated), \$2 off if received by April 1. (\$15; \$10 Juniors, Seniors).

Prizes: Modest cash prizes per entries. Most of tournament income will go to help Colorado State Scholastic.

Registration: 8:30-9:30am.

Rounds: 1st round - 10:00am.

Entries: Richard Buchanan, 1 Sutherland Road, Manitou Springs, CO 80829.

Phone: (719) 685-1984.

E-mail: buckpeace@pcisys.net

Champions attend the Denker and Polgar tournaments.

Held in conjunction with Series Finale Scholastic Tournament.

CSCA membership required. OSA.

Colorado Tour Event.

2010 April East Coast Deli April 7 - 28, 2010

4 Round Swiss System Tournament.

Time Control: All Rounds: Game/90, TD/5.

Site: East Coast Deli, 24 S Tejon St, Colorado Springs, CO 80903.

Directions: The Deli is located between Pikes Peak and Colorado Avenues. Street parking can be tricky, although there is free parking near the movie theatre (north east) and around the court buildings (1 block south and east). The Plaza of the Rockies has paid parking for \$1 after 5:00pm, located between S. Tejon and S. Nevada on Colorado Avenue.

Open: Open to all.

Entry Fee: \$10 covers the entire month of Wednesdays

Prizes: Cash prizes per entries paid on final Wednesday of event, usually 85%-90% of entry fees, for a 1st place with Under sections based on number of players (typically 4).

Registration: 5:15-5:45pm every Wednesday.

Rounds: 6:00-9:00pm. April 7, 14, 21, and 28. 1 game per evening. TD assumes you are playing all rounds unless notified in advance. One ½ point bye is allowed this month.

Entries: Jerry Maier 229 Hargrove Court, Colorado Springs CO 80919.

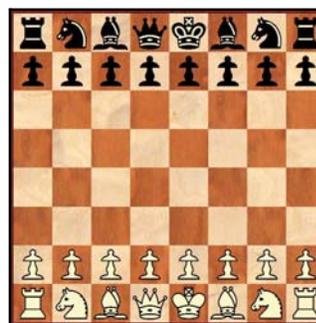
Phone: (719) 660-5531.

E-mail: pmjer77@aim.com

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1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.d4 d6 4.c4 Nb6 5.f4 dxe5 6.fxe5 Nc6 7.Be3 Bf5
8.Nc3 e6 9.Nf3 Qd7 10.Be2 O-O-O 11.O-O Bg4 12.c5 Nd5 13.Nxd5
Qxd5 14.h3 Qe4 15.Qb3 Nxd4 16.Nxd4 Bxe2 17.Rf4 Qxf4 18.Bxf4
Rxd4 19.Be3 Bxc5 20.Bxd4 Bxd4+ 21.Kh1 Bh5 22.Rc1 Rd8 23.Qa3
a6 24.g4 Bg6 25.Re1 h5 26.gxh5 Bxh5 27.b4 Bf2 28.Rc1 c6 29.Rf1
Bd4 30.Qg3 Bg6 31.Re1 Rd5 32.a3 a5 33.h4 Bb6 34.bxa5 Bxa5
35.Re2 Bb6 36.Qb3 Be5 37.Rb2 b5 38.Qf3 Kc7 39.h5 Rd3 40.Qg4
Rd4 41.Qg5 Rd1+ 42.Kh2 Be4 43.Qf4 Bg1+ 44.Kg3 Rd3+ 45.Kh4 Bf5
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57.Kf6 Kb5 58.Qe5 b3 0-1

From Jeffrey Baffo...

*I knew what line Ben played vs. the
Alekhine and had this waiting for him. He
was in my home analysis until move 26.
That's not as impressive as it might sound;
actually this is fairly common for games at
this level. I'm especially proud of my 17th
and 19th moves for their sheer nerve.*



After 17.Rf4

