

## Brian Wall



*1972 Colorado State Junior Chess Champion*



*Wall - 1977 Al Wallace Memorial tournament*

Brian Douglas Wall was born on March 26, 1955, in New York City. Brian is the oldest of nine boys.

The Wall family moved to Southern California in 1966 and then to Denver in 1968.

Brian's dad taught him how to play checkers and chess when he was 6 years old and soon afterwards he could beat his aunt at checkers.

His first chess tournament was in 1970 at the Gates Rubber Company Chess Club where he achieved a rating of 1555. Three years later his rating improved to 1977.

Wall graduated from North Denver High School in 1973 and attended the University of Colorado at Boulder where he studied math, archeology, and psychology.

Brian read lots of chess books to improve his game; his chess heroes were Robert Wendling and John Watson.

Young Brian was a spellbound youngster watching the 1971 World Championship Quarter Final match in Denver between Bobby Fischer and Bent Larsen. He was stuck by the players respect for each other and their mutual quest for the truth about the game.

The next year, he won the 1972 Colorado Junior Chess Championship 6-0.

Wall achieved his first master rating in 1980 while living in Denver. He is a Life Master, maintaining the master rating level for over 300 tournament games.

Brian moved from Colorado in 1981; living in Texas, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts. In New England, he developed lifelong friendships with a group of masters that included Jack Young, David Vigorito, Joseph Fang, and Joel Johnson. During that time, he attained his peak USCF rating of 2335. Wall moved back to Denver in 1995.

### Tournament Victories

Wall has played in over 1,000 rated tournaments, has won more Colorado chess tournaments than any other player, and was the 2011-2012 Colorado Chess Tour winner.

In Colorado, he has won outright or tied for first in:

3 Colorado Opens (1977, 2001, 2017)

4 Colorado Closeds (2002, 2005, 2007, 2013)

7 Denver Opens (1977, 1982, 2000, 2001, 2004, 2005, 2006)

3 Colorado Senior Opens (2018, 2019, 2020)



*1982*

In 2013, he won clear first Colorado Closed while also playing in the Colorado Senior Open at the same time!

Brian led five Colorado Teams in the Colorado vs. New Mexico matches.

He has tournament draws against GM's Anatoly Lein, Arthur Bisguier, Yuri Shulman, Marcin Tazbir, and Dashzegve Sharavdorj, and three wins against IM Igor Foygel. He also has a draw against 13 year old Hikaru Nakamura when he was a 2400 rated IM.

In the 2003 Governor's Cup in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Wall won against IM John Donaldson in the last round to tie for second place with GMs Aleksander Wojtkewicz, Yuri Shulman, Pavel Blatny, and Marcin Kaminski.

Wall also won the 1993 Massachusetts Blitz Championship, 2006 Wyoming Open, 2007 Kansas Open, and was clear first in the 2010 North American Open in Stillwater, Oklahoma.

### Coaching, Commentary, and Chess Service

Brian worked as a chess analyst in 2006 for the Internet Chess Club. He was the only non-GM or IM member contracted to be an analyst during the 2006 Kramnik-Topolov World Championship match, working side-by-side with GM Larry Christianson for one of the games. Wall's other analyst partners for high-level Grandmaster tournaments were GM Gregory Kaidanov, GM Varuzhan Akobian, GM Roman Dzindzichashvili, IM Cyrus Lakdawala, IM Vasik Rajlich, IM Billy Paschall, FM Robby Adamson, and NM Dan Heisman.

Wall has composed over 25,000 chess emails and has several chess training videos on YouTube. He is also a co-author of *How to Play Chess Like An Animal* (2007) with Anthea Carson.

Wall has given three simuls in Colorado prisons, arranged by Chris Hendrickson.

Tyler Hughes, Robert Ramirez, and Chris Peterson all see Brian as a chess mentor.

Wall has been an active member of the Denver Chess Club for decades, the DCC President from 2014-2021, and club champion in in 2004 and 2012 (the DCC hasn't always held a club championship during these years). He was a Member at Large on the CSCA Board from 2014-2017.

Brian has two children, Devon (who is a rated chess player) and Phyllis, and a granddaughter, Hazel Mae.



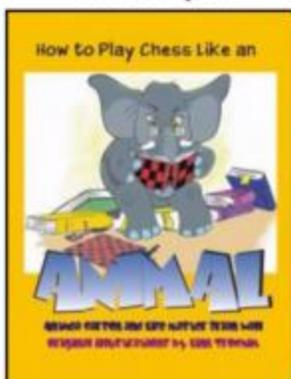
Brian Wall - 1977  
Denver Open



Wall - 1978 Al Wallace Memorial tournament



Brian Wall - May 7, 1978



Wall family - Dad and brothers, circa 1985



St. Louis Chess Club 2015



2016 Halloween Tournament



2019 Denver Open



2019 Denver Open



Brian Wall Simul 2021  
Parker Chess Club



Hall of Fame Induction 2021



Denver Chess Club 2022



July 2007 Colorado  
Chess Informant cover



Brian & Fabiano Caruana, Lawrence Trent & Ben  
Finegold at St. Louis Chess Club 2015



January 2023 Colorado  
Chess Informant cover



Brian at World Chess Hall of Fame 2015



Brian Wall & Yasser Seirawan 2015



Brian at 2015 Sinquefeld Cup

Wendling became the 1972 Colorado State Champion by winning this game.

[Event "1972 Colorado Open"] [Site "Denver, Colorado"]

[Date "September 4, 1972"] [Round "6"]

[White "Brian Wall (1698)"]

[Black "Robert Wendling (2240)"]

[Result "0-1"]

1. b3 e5 2. Bb2 Nc6 3. c4 f5 4. d3 Nf6 5. e3 d5 6. exd5 Nxd5 7. a3 Be7 8. Qc2 O-O 9. Nf3 Bf6 10. Nbd2 Kh8 11. Be2 Qe8 12. O-O-O Be6 13. Kb1 a5 14. Rc1 Rf7 15. Ne4 Bd7 16. Rhd1 b5 17. Ncd2 Be7 18. d4 e4 19. Bxb5 Rf6 20. Ne5 Nxe5 21. dxe5 Bxb5 22. exf6 Bd3 23. fxe7 Qxe7 24. Ka1 Bxc2 25. Rxc2 h6 26. Ne4 Qe6 27. Red2 c6 28. Ne5 Rb8 29. Nc4 a4 30. bxa4 Nc3 31. Bxc3 Qxc4 32. Rd8+ Rxd8 33. Rxd8+ Kh7 34. Kb2 Qxa4 35. Rd7 Qb5+ 36. Kc2 Qe2+ 37. Kb3 Kg8 38. Rd2 Qb5+ 39. Kc2 Qa4+ 40. Kb2 Qa7 41. Kb3 Kf7 42. a4 Qb8+ 43. Kc4 Qb1 44. g3 g5 45. a5 Qb5+ 0-1



Position after 20.Ne5

This game was played 2 days before Brian's 18th birthday against his local chess hero.

[Event "1973 Al Wallace Memorial"] [Site "Denver, Colorado"]

[Date "March 24, 1973"] [Round "3"]

[White "Robert Wendling (2194)"]

[Black "Brian Wall (1997)"]

[Result "1-0"]

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 exd4 4. Nxd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 a6 6. f4 e5 7. Nf3 Qc7 8. Bd3 b5 9. O-O Be7 10. Qe1 O-O 11. fxe5 dxe5 12. Nh4 b4 13. Nd1 g6 14. Bh6 Rd8 15. Ne3 Bb7 16. Nhf5 Nxe4 17. Nxe7+ Qxe7 18. Nf5 gxf5 19. Bxe4 f6 20. Bxb7 Qxb7 21. Rxf5 Qe7 22. Rf3 Kh8 23. Rg3 Qc5+ 24. Kh1 Rg8 25. Rxg8+ Kxg8 26. Qg3+ Kf7 27. Qg7+ Ke6 28. Rd1 Qe7 29. Qg8+ Qf7 30. Rd6+ Ke7 31. Qd8# 1-0



Position after 21...Qe7

Bob O'Donnell was the 1967 Colorado Jr. Champion & 1973 Denver Open Champion.

[Event "Second Match Game"] [Site "Denver, Colorado"]

[Date "June 24, 1977"]

[White "Robert O'Donnell (2000)"]

[Black "Brian Wall (2000)"]

[Result "1/2-1/2"]

1. c4 g6 2. Nc3 Bg7 3. e4 d6 4. d4 Nf6 5. f3 c6 6. Be3 a6 7. a4 a5 8. Qd2 Na6 9. Bd3 Nb4 10. Bb1 e5 11. Nge2 O-O 12. O-O Qe7 13. Ra3 exd4 14. Bxd4 d5 15. exd5 exd5 16. Qe3 Re8 17. Be5 Qc7 18. Nb5 Qc6 19. Rc1 dxe4 20. Bxb4 exf3 21. Rxc6 axb4 22. Rxc8 Raxc8 23. Qxf3 bxa3 24. Nd6 Rxe2 25. Nxe8 Rxb2 26. Qxa3 Rxb1+ 27. Kf2 Ne4+ 28. Ke3 Re1+ 29. Kd3 Nf2+ 30. Kd2 Bc3+ 31. Kxc3 Re3+ 32. Kb4 Rxa3 33. Kxa3 Kf8 34. Nd6 Ke7 35. Nxb7 Kd7 36. Kb4 Kc7 37. Ne5 Ng4 38. h3 Ne3 39. g3 Nf1 40. g4 Ne3 41. Kb5 f5 42. g5 Nd5 43. a5 f4 44. Ne4 f3 45. Kc4 Nf4 46. Nf2 Ne6 47. h4 Ng7 48. Kd5 Nf5 49. Ke5 Nxb4 50. Kf4 Kb7 51. Ne4 Nf5 52. Kxf3 Ka6 53. Kf4 1/2 - 1/2



Position after 19.Rc1

Wall won the 1977 Colorado Open with this victory over John Watson, the 1974 and 1975 Colorado State Champion.

[Event "1977 Colorado Open"]

[Site "Denver, Colorado"]

[Date "September 5, 1977"] [Round "6"]

[White "John Watson (2332)"]

[Black "Brian Wall (2024)"]

[Result "0-1"]

1. c4 g6 2. Nf3 Bg7 3. g3 Nf6 4. Bg2 O-O 5. Nc3 d6 6. O-O e5 7. d4 Nbd7 8. e4 Re8 9. h3 exd4 10. Nxd4 Nc5 11. Re1 c6 12. Rb1 a5 13. Bf4 Qe7 14. Nc2 Bf8 15. Be3 Bg7 16. Qd2 Bd7 17. Bf4 Bf8 18. Rbd1 Be6 19. Ne3 Rad8 20. Ned5 Bxd5 21. exd5 Qd7 22. Bg5 Rxe1+ 23. Rxe1 Bg7 24. Qf4 Nd3 25. dxc6 bxc6 26. Qd2 Nxe1 27. Qxe1 h6 28. Be3 d5 29. exd5 exd5 30. Bd4 Ne4 31. Bxg7 Kxg7 32. Nxe4 dxe4 33. Qxa5 Re8 34. Qc3+ Kg8 35. Qe3 Qd3 36. Bf1 Qc2 37. Qxh6 Qxb2 38. Be4 Qb6 39. Qe3 Qxe3 40. fxe3 Ra8 41. g4 g5 42. Kf2 Kg7 43. Kg3 Rc8 44. Bh3 Rc3 45. Kf2 f6 46. Ke2 Kf8 47. Bd5 Re2+ 48. Kd1 Rh2 49. a4 Rxh3 50. Kd2 Rh1 51. Kc3 Ke7 52. a5 Kd6 53. Bxe4 Re1 54. Kd4 Ra1 55. Bf5 Ra4+ 56. Kd3 Ke5 57. Ke2 Rxa5 58. Kf3 Kd6 59. Bg6 Re5 60. Kf2 Kc5 61. Ke2 Kc4 62. Bh7 Kc3 63. Bg6 Ra5 64. Bh7 Ra2+ 65. Kf3 Kd2 and White lost on time 0-1



Position after 19...Rad8

Brian beats the 4th highest rated player in the final round of this strong tournament.

[Event "1983 Boulder Open"]  
 [Site "Boulder, Colorado"]  
 [Date "January 23, 1983"] [Round "5"]  
 [White "Boris Baczynsky (2348)"]  
 [Black "Brian Wall (2228)"]  
 [Result "0-1"]

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nf6 3. Nxe5 Qe7 4. Nf3 Nxe4 5. Be2 Qd8 6. O-O Be7 7. d4 d5 8. Bd3 Nc6 9. Re1 Bf5 10. c4 Nb4 11. Bf1 dxc4 12. Bxc4 O-O 13. a3 Nd5 14. Nc3 Ndx3 15. bxc3 Nxc3 16. Qb3 Ne4 17. Qxb7 Nd6 18. Qa6 Be8 19. Qa4 Nxe4 20. Qxc4 Bb7 21. Ne5 Bd5 22. Qc3 Bb7 23. Bf4 Bf6 24. Qg3 Re8 25. Rab1 Qd5 26. Rec1 Rac8 27. h4 Re6 28. Nf3 Bd8 29. Bxc7 Rg6 30. Re1 Bxh4 31. Qe5 Qxe5 32. Nxe5 Rxc2+ 33. Kh1 Bd5 34. f3 Re2 35. Rec1 Rxc1+ 36. Rxc1 Bg5 37. Re5 Ba8 38. d5 f6 39. Nc4 Bxd5 40. Rxd5 Rxc7 0-1



Position after 34.f3

Hikaru Nakamura was only 13 when this game was played. He went on to become a famous streamer and World Champion contender.

[Event "29th World Open"]  
 [Site "Philadelphia, Pennsylvania"]  
 [Date "April 7, 2001"] [Round "1"]  
 [White "Hikaru Nakamura (2429)"]  
 [Black "Brian Wall (2244)"]  
 [Result "1/2-1/2"]

1. e4 g6 2. d4 Bg7 3. Nc3 d5 4. exd5 Nf6 5. Bb5+ Nbd7 6. Nf3 O-O 7. O-O Nb6 8. Be2 Bg4 9. h3 Bxf3 10. Bxf3 Nbx5 11. Nxd5 Nxd5 12. Qe2 c6 13. e4 Nc7 14. Be3 Bxd4 15. Bxd4 Qxd4 16. Qxe7 Rac8 17. b3 Rfe8 18. Qb4 Qb6 19. Qc3 Ne6 20. Rad1 c5 21. Kh1 Nd4 22. Bd5 a5 23. Rfe1 Qc7 24. Qg3 Qxg3 25. fxg3 b6 26. Rf1 Re7 27. Rf6 Re2 28. g4 Kg7 29. Rxb6 Rxa2 30. Rf1 f5 31. g5 Re2 32. Rb8 h6 33. h4 hxg5 34. hxg5 Ne6 35. Re8 Kf7 36. Rxe6 Rxe6 37. Re1 Rec6 38. Re5 Ke7 39. Bxe6 Rxe6 40. Rxc5 Re3 41. Rb5 Re3 42. Kh2 a4 43. bxa4 Rxc4 44. Rb7+ Ke6 45. a5 f4 46. Rb5 Rc3 47. Kg1 Re2 48. Rb4 Ra2 49. Rxf4 Rxa5 50. Rf6+ Ke7 51. Rxc6 Kf7 52. Rc6 Rxc6 53. Kf2 Kg7 54. Kf3 Ra5 55. Kg4 Rb5 56. Kh4 Ra5 57. Re6 Kf7 58. Rh6 Kg7 59. Rh5 Ra6 60. g3 Rb6 61. Rd5 Ra6 62. Rd7+ Kg8 63. Kh5 Rb6 64. Kg5 Ra6 65. Kf5 Rb6 66. Re7 Ra6 67. Re6 Ra7 68. g4 Kf7 69. Re5 Ra6 70. Kg5 Kg7 71. Rf5 Rb6 72. Rd5 Ra6 73. Rd7+ Kg8 74. Kf5 Rb6 75. g5 Ra6 76. Re7 Rb6 77. Kg4 Ra6 78. Kh5 Rb6 79. Kh4 Ra6 80. Kg3 Ra4 81. Kf3 Rb4 82. Kg3 Ra4 83. Kh3 Rb4 84. Rd7 Ra4 85. Kg3 Rb4 86. Kf3 Ra4 87. Re7 Rb4 88. Re4 Rxe4 89. Kxe4 Kg7 90. Kf5 Kf7 91. g6+ Kg7 92. Kg5 Kg8 93. Kh6 Kh8 94. g7+ Kg8 95. Kg6 1/2-1/2



Position after 27.Rf6

Brian draws the 3-time U.S. Champion with his famous Fishing Pole Opening in the 2001 Christiansen Simul.

[Event "2001 Larry Christiansen Simul"]  
 [Site "Denver, Colorado"]  
 [Date "October 14, 2001"]  
 [White "GM Larry Christiansen"]  
 [Black "Brian Wall (2225)"]  
 [Result "1/2-1/2"]

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. Bb5 Nf6 4. O-O Ng4 5. h3 h5 6. c3 Be5 7. d4 Bb6 8. Na3 a6 9. Bxc6 dxc6 10. Nc4 f6 11. Nxb6 cxb6 12. dxe5 Qxd1 13. Rxd1 Nxe5 14. Nxe5 fxe5 15. Be3 b5 16. Rd6 Kf7 17. Rad1 Be6 18. a3 a5 19. f3 h4 20. Be5 a4 21. Bb6 Rac8 22. Kf2 g5 23. Ke1 Kf6 24. Bd8+ Kf7 25. Bxg5 Rhg8 26. Bxh4 Rxc2 27. R6d2 Rcg8 28. Rxc2 Rxc2 29. Rd2 Rxd2 30. Kxd2 Bxh3 1/2 -1/2



Position after 16.Rd6

IM John Donaldson is a 14-time captain of the U.S. Chess Olympiad team and the author of many chess books.

[Event "2002 South Dakota Governor's Cup"]

[Site "Sioux Falls, South Dakota"]

[Date "October 13, 2002"]

[Round "5"]

[White "John Donaldson (2469)"]

[Black "Brian Wall (2203)"]

1. Nf3 d6 2. d4 Bg4 3. c4 c6 4. Nc3 Nd7 5. e4 e5 6. Be2 Be7 7. O-O Ngf6 8. Be3 O-O 9. d5 cxd5 10. cxd5 Ne8 11. Nd2 Bxe2 12. Qxe2 Bg5 13. Bxg5 Qxg5 14. Rfcl a6 15. a4 g6 16. a5 f5 17. b4 Ndf6 18. Rc2 Rc8 19. exf5 gxf5 20. Rac1 Kh8 21. Nc4 Re7 22. Nb6 Rg7 23. g3 h5 24. b5 h4 25. bxa6 bxa6 26. Kh1 Ng4 27. Rg1 Rfg8 28.Rg2 Nef6 29. Nd1 Rh7 30. Re8 Rxc8 31. Nxc8 hxg3 32. fxg3 Ne4 33. Kg1 Qc1 34.Qc2 Qa1 35. Re2 Qd4+ 0-1



Position after 23.g3

Wall won the 2006 Wyoming Open with this victory in the last round. Renard Anderson was the 1998 Colorado Open Champion, had a peak rating in the 2400s, and has extensive playing experience in large national tournaments.

[Event "Wyoming Open"]

[Site "Cheyenne, Wyoming"]

[Date "May 7, 2006"] [Round "5"]

[White "Brian Wall (2231)"]

[Black "Renard Anderson (2277)"]

1.g3 g6 2.Bg2 Bg7 3.e4 e5 4.Nc3 d6 5.Nf3 Ne6 6.O-O f5 7.d3 Nf6 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bxf6 Bxf6 10.Nd5 O-O 11.Rb1 Bg7 12.b4 g5 13.b5 Ne7 14.Nd2 Ng6 15.e3 g4 16.f4 h5 17.a4 Rb8 18.a5 Bd7 19.a6 b6 20.Nb3 Ne7 21.Nc1 Rc8 22.Na2 c6 23.Nxe7+ Qxe7 24.bxc6 Bxc6 25.Bxc6 Rxc6 26.Nb4 Rc5 27.Qd2 h4 28.Nd5 Qe6 29.fxe5 dxe5 30.Rf2 h3 31.Rbfl Kh7 32.e4 Bh6 33.Qe2 f4 34.gxf4 exf4 35.Nxf4 Qd6 36.Nd5 Rxf2 37.Qxf2 Qe6 38.Qg3 Re8 39.Rf6 Qd7 40.Rxb6 Bg7 41.Nf6+ Bxf6 42.Rb7 1-0



Position after 22...c6

This was the longest game in Oklahoma chess history.

[Event "2010 North American Open"]

[Site "Stillwater, Oklahoma"]

[Date "May 30, 2010"] [Round "6"]

[White "Pete Karagianis (2264)"]

[Black "Brian Wall (2200)"]

1. d4 d6 2. Nf3 c6 3. e4 Qc7 4. Be4 Nf6 5. e5 Nd5 6. O-O Bg4 7. exd6 Qxd6 8.Qd3 Nd7 9. Ng5 e6 10. Re1 Be7 11. Bxd5 cxd5 12. Nc3 Bf5 13. Qf3 Nf6 14. Bf4 Qc6 15. Qe2 a6 16. Nd1 O-O 17. Ne3 Bg6 18. Nf3 Nh5 19. Be5 Rac8 20. g4 Nf6 21. h4 h5 22. Bxf6 gxf6 23. gxh5 Bxh5 24. Ne5 Bxe2 25. Nxc6 bxc6 26. Rxe2 Kh7 27. f3 f5 28. c3 Rg8+ 29. Kf1 Rg3 30. Rg2 Rxf3+ 31. Ke2 Rh3 32. Rag1 Bf6 33. Ne2 Rxh4 34. Ne1 Rh6 35. Nd3 Rg6 36. Rh2+ Kg8 37. Rgh1 Kf8 38. Ne5 a5 39. Kf3 Ke7 40.Rh7 Reg8 41. R1h2 Rg1 42. Nd3 R1g3+ 43. Ke2 Rg2+ 44. Kf1 Rxh2 45. Rxh2 Rg3 46. Ke2 Kd6 47. Rh7 Rg7 48. Rh6 Rg2+ 49. Kf1 Rd2 50. Rxf6 Ke7 51. Rh6 Rxd3 52. Ke2 Rg3 53. Rh2 Kd6 54. Kf2 Rg6 55. Rh8 f6 56. Rd8+ Kc7 57. Re8 Kd7 58. Ra8 e5 59. Rxa5 f4 60. e4 Ke6 61. cxd5+ cxd5 62. Ra6+ Kf5 63. dxe5 Kxe5 64.Ra8 Rh6 65. Re8+ Kf5 66. Rd8 Rh2+ 67. Kf3 Rh3+ 68. Kg2 Rd3 69. a4 Ke4 70.a5 Rd2+ 71. Kh3 Rxb2 72. Re8+ Kf3 73. a6 Ra2 74. Rd8 Rxa6 75. Rxd5 f5 76.Kh4 Ke4 77. Rb5 f3 78. Rb4+ Ke3 79. Rb3+ Kf4 80. Rb4+ Ke5 81. Rb5+ Kf6 82.Kg3 Kg5 83. Rb3 f2 84. Kxf2 Kg4 85. Rg3+ Kf4 86. Rf3+ Ke5 87. Re3+ Kf6 88.Kf3 Kg5 89. Rb3 Rh6 90. Kg2 f4 91. Rb8 Re6 92. Rb3 Kg4 93. Kf2 Ra6 94. Rb2 Ra3 95. Re2 Rh3 96. Kg2 Rh7 97.Re4 Rd7 98. Rc2 Rd3 99. Ra2 Rg3+ 100. Kf1 Kh3 101. Ra4 Rf3+ 102. Ke2 Kg3 103.Ra8 Rf2+ 104. Ke1 Rb2 105. Rg8+ Kf3 106. Rf8 Ra2 107. Rf7 Ra1+ 108. Kd2 Kg3 109. Ke2 Ra2+ 110. Kf1 Kf3 111. Ke1 Ra8 112.Rf6 Rh8 113. Rf7 Rh1+ 114. Kd2 Kg3 115. Ke2 Rh2+ 116. Kf1 Rf2+ 117. Ke1 Kg2 118.Rg7+ Kf3 119. Rf7 Re2+ 120. Kf1 Re5 121. Rb7 Re3 122. Rf7 Rb3 123.Ke1 Rb1+ 124. Kd2 Rg1 125. Rf8 Kg3 126. Ke2 Rg2+ 127. Kf1 Rh2 128. Rg8+ Kf3 129. Kg1 Rh3 130. Rf8 Rh6 131. Ra8 Rc6 132. Rf8 Rc1+ 133. Kh2 Rf1 134.Re8 Kf2 135. Ra8 Re1 136. Rf8 Re4 137. Ra8 Re2 138. Kh3 f3 139. Ra1 Rd2 140. Ra8 Ke1 141. Kg3 1/2-1/2



Position after 23...Bxh5



Position after 59.Rxa5

Damian Nash was the 1st Board on the 1981 Boulder High School Colorado State Champion Team, a Senior TD, and went on to become the President of the Hawaii Chess Federation.

[Event "Colorado Closed Championship"]

[Site "Manitou Springs, Colorado"]

[Date "March 27, 2011"] [Round "5"]

[White "Brian Wall (2203)"]

[Black "Damian Nash (2049)"]

[Result "1-0"]

1. Nc3 d5 2. e4 dxe4 3. Nxe4 Bf5 4. Ng3 Bg6 5. h4 h6 6. d4 e6 7. Bc4 Nf6 8. N1e2 c6 9. Nf4 Bh7 10. O-O Nd5 11. Re1 Be7 12. Ngh5 Rg8 13. Rxe6 fxe6 14. Nxe6 Qe8 15. Nhxg7+ Kf7 16. Bxh6 Bf6 17. Qf3 Rxc7 18. Nxc7 Qd8 19. Re1 b5 20. Bb3 a5 21. Ne6 Qd7 22. Nf4 Ra7 23. Qh5+ Kg8 24. Re8+ Qxe8 25. Qxe8# 1-0



Position after 12...Rg8

Tazbir Marcin is Polish Grandmaster and a 3-time Polish Junior Chess Champion.

[Event "Millionaire Chess 2"]

[Site "Planet Hollywood Casino, Las Vegas, Nevada"]

[Date "October 8, 2015"] [Round "2"]

[White "Brian Wall (2248)"]

[Black "GM Tazbir Marcin (2586)"]

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. Nf3 b6 4. Nc3 Bb4 5. g3 Bb7 6. Bg2 O-O 7. O-O Bxc3 8. bxc3 d6 9. c5 dxc5 10. Ba3 Na6 11. dxc5 Qxd1 12. Rfxd1 Nxe5 13. Bxc5 bxc5 14. Ne5 Rab8 15. Rab1 Bxg2 16. Kxg2 Rb6 17. Rb3 h6 18. Ra3 Ra8 19. Nd7 Rb2 20. Nxf6+ gxf6 21. Kf3 a6 22. Rd7 Ra7 23. Ra5 e4 24. Rd4 Re2 25. Rxc4 f5 26. Rac5 Rb7 27. a4 Rbb2 28. Re5 Ra2 29. a5 Ra3 30. Rxc7 Rxc3+ 31. Rxc3 Rxc3+ 32. Re3 Re4 33. Ra3 Kg7 34. Ke3 Kf6 35. h4 Ke5 36. Kf3 Rb4 37. Re3+ Kf6 38. Ra3 h5 39. Ra2 Kg6 40. Ra3 Rb5 41. Ke3 f6 42. f4 e5 43. Kf3 Kf7 44. Ke3 Ke6 45. fxe5 fxe5 46. Kf3 Re5 47. Rb3 Rxa5 1/2-1/2



Position after 18...Ra8

Bunmi Olape was a Nigerian Chess Champion who visited Denver in 2016.

[Event "2017 Fall Classic"]

[Site "Denver, Colorado"]

[Date "October 16, 2016"]

[Round "4"]

[White "Brian Wall (2234)"]

[Black "IM Bunmi Olape (2212)"]

[Result "1-0"]

1. e4 e5 2. f4 exf4 3. Nc3 Qh4+ 4. Ke2 Qd8 5. d4 Nf6 6. Bxf4 Bb4 7. Nd5 Nxd5 8. exd5 O-O 9. c3 Be7 10. Nf3 d6 11. Kf2 Nd7 12. Bd3 Nf6 13. e4 Ng4+ 14. Kg1 f5 15. h3 Nf6 16. Kh2 Nh5 17. Qd2 Nxf4 18. Qxf4 g5 19. Qg3 g4 20. hxg4 fxg4 21. Kg1 Rf7 22. Rh5 Rg7 23. Rf1 gxf3 24. Bxh7+ Kh8 25. Bg6+ Kg8 26. Qh2 Rxc6 27. Rh8+ Kg7 28. Qh7+ Kf6 29. Rxd8 Bxd8 30. Qh8+ Ke7 31. Rxf3 1-0



Position after 23...gxf3



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