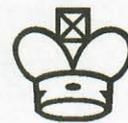




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ATTENTION ORGANIZERS!

Timely submission of tournament announcements is important if you want a good turnout at your tournament. The advertisement is free so use it to your advantage. I will publish the deadlines for submitting tournament announcements in every issue of the *Informant* as a reminder.



Deadline is December 1 for the January issue.
Deadline is March 1 for the April issue.
Deadline is June 1 for the July issue.
Deadline is September 1 for the October issue.

Please keep these deadlines in mind while you are planning events. It will benefit everyone concerned.

BUCKSPEAK

At the CSCA membership meeting in September the assembled members expressed their dissatisfaction with the upcoming increase in USCF dues (from \$30 to \$40, starting Jan. 1). I wrote the USCF office about this matter and received the following reply:

Sept. 16

Dear Buck,

Thanks for your letter. I do understand that no one likes a price increase. It's very important to understand that dues haven't been raised in six years. The CPI has gone up 28 basis points, but more than that, some of our fixed costs — like postage — are going up much more than the Consumer Price Index.

Subsidizing of scholastic memberships is an economic challenge. These members require just as much administrative time as other members. I see this program as an investment in the future. USCF's personnel and administrative costs as a percentage of budget are extremely low by any comparison with other like organizations.

Did your group discuss alternatives? I'm afraid we can't do what the government does — run a big deficit — for very long.

We do want to work with you to promote chess. Please do keep your ideas coming.

Best regards,

Al Lawrence, Executive Director

One of the reasons given for the dues increase was to improve the appearance (and marketability) of the students' magazine *School Mates*. Just check out that razzle-dazzle cover on the November-December issue and reflect sublimely, "My (increased) USCF dues at work already!" Makes a feller kinda proud.

This season's state scholastic tournaments will begin on the weekend of Feb. 11-12. We can use lots of help running the tournaments — please contact Debra Johnson or me to volunteer your services. In Colorado Springs the tournaments will be Feb. 11 at North Junior High School. We are getting some very solid support for the tournament from the weekly newspaper *The Independent*, which has been lining up sponsors and will actively promote the event. The publisher, John Weiss, is a member of the Colorado Springs Chess Club. I have been writing a weekly column for them — so far it just has a position to solve each week, but I'm hoping for more in the future. I've used a number of positions from games in the *Informant*. If you've played a nice combo lately, send me a copy.

Scholastic Volunteers Needed

The 1995 Scholastic Championships will be under way shortly. Volunteers are needed to ensure a successful event. Anyone who can spare a day to help out the directors will be rewarded with a hearty handshake from Debra Johnson, Ron MacRall or Richard Buchanan. Contact phone numbers are on page 2. Please help out!

My 2¢ Worth

by Carl J. Van Laethem

Tired of the same old 4 round Swiss-System tournament? Can't stand being grossly over or undermatched in your first few games? We all know that there is no perfect solution to this but Garth Courtois has at least tried to address the issue.

Garth's latest effort, Acceleration Mach II, is an interesting, but by no means new, idea. By pairing players who are rated close to each other in each score group, one is found playing more evenly matched games. I don't know about you but I enjoy playing evenly matched games over a poor mismatch.

One neat side effect of this type of pairing system is the ability to award prizes based on your relative performance (see Garth's article elsewhere in this issue). This rewards players for a good performance regardless of rating.

Organizers seem to have fallen into a (false?) sense of security in so much as they assume the standard Swiss-System structure is best. Who knows? Maybe it is. The effort to try new ideas is a worthy one.

A "fun" idea I have recently seen is in the latest issue of *Chess Horizons*. The "Vigorito Open" (named after a local master) is a standard Swiss tournament with chocolate bars, hand shakes and lollipops given as prizes. Not exactly the answer to playing good games at tournaments but my point is that there is more than one way to make a chess player happy. A little variety would be welcome in Colorado. Anybody got any brilliant ideas? If you do, drop me a line. If not, just skip to the next article and forget you even read this.

Nobody asked. I'm just putting in my 2¢ worth.

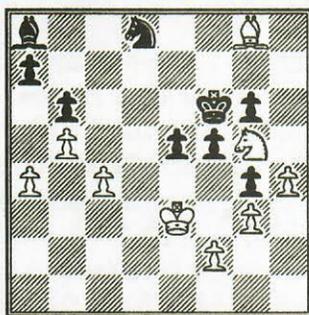
Games from the 1994 Colorado Open

Game selections by Mark Shiedes

OPEN SECTION

McCarty - Morris, QUEEN'S PAWN

1.d4 e6 2.♘f3 d5 3.♙f4 c5 4.e3
♘f6 5.♗bd2 ♙e7 6.h3 ♗c6 7.c3
♙d7 8.♙d3 ♖c8 9.0-0 0-0 10.dxc5
♙xc5 11.e4 dxe4 12.♗xe4 ♗xe4
13.♙xe4 h6 14.♖e2 ♖f6 15.♖ad1
♖fd8 16.♙e3 ♙xe3 17.♖xe3 ♙e8
18.♙d3 ♖c7 19.♖e4 g6 20.♖d2
♖cd7 21.♖fd1 ♖d6 22.♖e3 ♖g7
23.h4 h5 24.♗g5 ♖d5 25.♙e4 ♖xd2
26.♖xd2 ♖xd2 27.♖xd2 ♖d8
28.♖f4 ♖d1+ 29.♖h2 ♖g4 30.♖xg4
hxg4 31.♖g3 ♗d8 32.♙d3 f5
33.♖f4 ♖f6 34.g3 e5+ 35.♖e3 ♙c6
36.♙c4 b6 37.b4 ♙b7 38.♖d3 ♙c6
39.♙b3 ♙b7 40.a4 ♙c6 41.♖c2
♙b7 42.♖d2 ♙c6 43.♖e3 ♙b7
44.♙g8 ♙c6 45.b5 ♙b7 46.c4 ♙a8

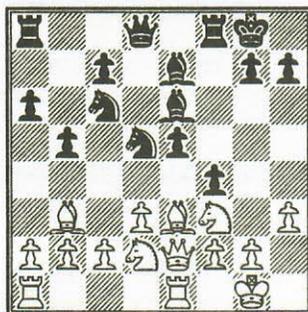


Now for an instructive demonstration on how to create and utilize passed pawns.

47.a5 bxa5 48.c5 ♙b7 49.c6 ♙c8
50.♖d3 ♗e6 51.♗xe6 ♙xe6 52.c7!
♙c8 53.♖c4 f4 54.♙d5 ♖e7
55.♙e4 ♖d6 56.♙xg6 ♙e6+
57.♖c3 ♖xc7 58.h5 ♖b6 59.h6 ♙g8
60.h7 ♙xh7 61.♙xh7 ♖xb5 62.♙f5
a4 63.♙xg4 ♖c5 64.♙f5 a3 65.g4
♖d5 66.f3 a5 67.♖b3 e4 68.♙xe4+
f0

Mattoon - Revusky, RUY LOPEZ

1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♙b5 a6
4.♙a4 ♗f6 5.d3 b5 6.♙b3 ♙e7 7.0-0
d6 8.h3 0-0 9.♙e3 d5 10.exd5
♗xd5 11.♖e1 ♙e6 12.♗bd2 f5
13.♖e2 f4?



Believe it or not, Black's last move drops a pawn. However, Rick misses it (understandably), and Jon goes on to win easily.

14. ♙xf4

14.♙d4! It's the ability to find moves like this quickly that makes the computer dangerous. It is easy for the 'human' to leave this move off the candidate list.

14...♗xd4 (14...♙f6 15.♙xe5 ♗xe5
16.♗xe5) 15.♗xd4 ♙f7 16.♗c6 ♖d6
17.♗xe5.

14...♗xf4 15.♙xe6+ ♗xe6
16.♗xe5 ♗ed4 17.♖g4 ♗xe5
18.♖xe5 ♗xc2 19.♖c1 ♗d4 20.♖ce1
♙f6 21.♖c5 ♖d6 22.♗e4 ♖ae8
23.♗xd6 ♖xe1+ 24.♖h2 cxd6
25.♖d5 ♙e5+ 26.♖xe5 dxe5 27.f3
♖e2 28.♖g3 ♗f5+ 29.♖h2 h5
30.♖xh5 ♗e3 31.♖h1 ♖c8 0-1

Brunt - Hufnagel, QUEEN'S PAWN

1.d4 ♗f6 2.♗c3 g6 3.e4 d6 4.♗f3
♙g7 5.h3 0-0 6.♙e3 ♗bd7 7.♙c4

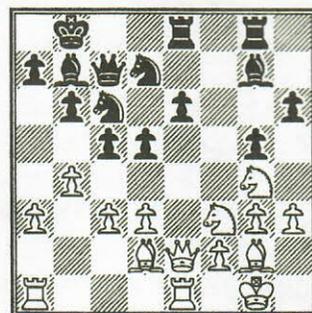
c5 8.e5 ♗e8 9.♙xf7+! ♖xf7

9...♖xf7 10.e6+ ♖g8= (10...♖xe6
11.♗g5+ ♖f6 12.♖f3+♯).

10.e6 ♖xf3 11.♖xf3 ♗df6 12.d5
♗c7 13.h4 ♗fxd5 14.♗xd5 ♗xd5
15.♖xd5 ♙xb2 16.♖d1 ♖a5+
17.♙d2 ♖a4 18.h5 ♖xc2 19.hxg6
♖xg6 20.♖h6 ♖g7 21.♖h5 ♖f6
22.♖g5+ ♖h8 23.♖b1 ♙d4 24.f3
♖xe6+ 25.♖xe6 ♙xe6 26.♖xb7 ♙f6
27.♖g3 ♙h4 28.♙c3+ ♙f6
29.♙xf6+ exf6 30.♖gg7 ♙xa2
31.♖xh7+ ♖g8 32.♖bg7+ ♖f8
33.♖xa7 ♖xa7 34.♖xa7 ♙e6 35.♖d2
♖e8 36.♖e3 ♖d8 37.♖f4 c4 38.g4
c3 39.♖e3 ♙c4 40.f4 c2 41.♖d2
♙e2 42.g5 fxg5 43.fxg5 ♙d3
44.♖c1 d5 45.♖d2 ♖e8 46.♖b7
♙e4 47.♖a7 ♖f8 48.♖c7 ♖e8
49.♖a7 ♖f8 50.♖c7 ½-½

Emerson - Ginat, SICILIAN

1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 e6 3.d3 ♗c6 4.♗bd2
d5 5.g3 ♗f6 6.♙g2 ♙e7 7.0-0 b6
8.♖e1 ♙b7 9.e5 ♗d7 10.♗f1 ♖c7
11.♖e2 h6 12.a3 g5 13.h3 ♖g8
14.♗1h2 0-0-0 15.c3 ♖b8 16.b4 f6
17.exf6 ♙xf6 18.♙d2 ♖de8 19.♗g4
♙g7



20.b5 ♗a5 21.♖ab1 e5 22.c4 e4
23.♗fh2 exd3 24.♖xe8+ ♖xe8
25.♖xe8+ ♙c8 26.♙xd5 ♗b7
27.♖be1 ♗d6 28.♖g8 ♙d4 29.♗f3
♗f5 30.♗xd4 cxd4 31.♖ee8 ♗d6
32.♖e7 ♗xc4 33.♙c6 ♗xd2
34.♖xd7

34.♙xd7 would allow a pretty mate in
5. ♖c1+ 35.♖e1 ♖xe1+ 36.♖h2 ♗f3+
37.♖g2 ♖g1+! 38.♖xf3 ♖h1+♯.

34...xf3+ 35.♖f1 ♖h2+ 36.♖xh2
♜e5 37.♞b7+ 1-0

Morris - Schlagenhauf
KING'S INDIAN

1.d4 g6 2.c4 ♖g7 3.♖c3 d6 4.e4
♗f6 5.h3 0-0 6.♗f3 e5 7.d5 ♖a6
8.♖e3 ♗c5 9.♖d2 a5 10.g4 c6
11.♖e2 ♖d7 12.h4 b5 13.dxc6
♖xc6 14.cxb5 ♖xe4 15.♖dxe4
♗fxe4 16.♖xe4 ♖xe4 17.♖f3 f5
18.gxf5 gxf5 19.♜d5+ ♜h8
20.♖xe4 fxe4 21.♞c1 ♜f6 22.♜xe4
♜f7 23.♜c4 d5 24.♜c7 ♜f3 25.♞g1
♞f7 26.♞xg7 ♞xc7 27.♞cxc7 ♜h1+
28.♜e2 ♜xh4 29.♞xh7+ ♜xh7
30.♞xh7+ ♜xh7 31.a4 ♜g6
31...d4.

32.♖b6 ♜f5 33.♖c7 ♞a7 34.♖b6
34.b6 ♞b7 35.b4 axb4 36.a5 b3 37.♜d2
looks like it should win for White.

34...♞b7

Shouldn't Black be content with a repetition of moves by playing back to a8?

35.♖xa5 ♜e4 36.♖b4

My guess is that this is the move that throws away the win. 36.♖d8 ♜d4 37.b6 ♜c5 38.a5 ♜b5 39.b4 looks interested, with all the chances for White.

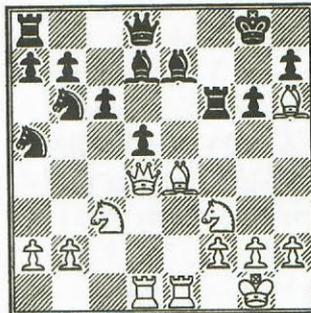
36...♜d4 37.♖c3+ ♜c4 38.♖xe5
♜b4 39.f4 ♜xa4 40.♜d3 ♜xb5
41.♖c3 ♜c5 42.♖d4+ ♜d6 43.f5
♞b3+ 44.♜c2 ♞f3 45.f6 ♜e6
46.♜d2

This may throw away the draw. 46.b4 is a possibility.

46...♜f5 47.♜e2 ♜e4 48.♖c3 ♞f5
49.♖b4 ♞xf6 50.♖c5 ♞h6 51.b4 d4
52.♜d2 ♞h2+ 53.♜c1 ♜d3 54.♖d6
♞g2 55.b5 ♜c3 56.♜d1 ♞g1+
57.♜e2 ♞b1 58.♜f3 ♞xb5 0-1

Laor - Krowczyk, KING'S PAWN

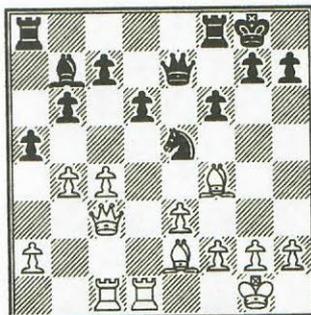
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4.d4 exd4 5.c3 ♖a5 6.♖d3 dxc3 7.0-0
♗f6 8.e5 ♖d5 9.♖e4 ♖b6
10.♖xc3 c6 11.♜d3 g6 12.♞e1 0-0
13.♖h6 f5 14.exf6 ♞xf6 15.♜d4! d5
16.♞ad1 ♖d7



17.♖xd5! cxd5 18.♖xd5+ ♖xd5
19.♜xd5+ ♖e6 20.♜xe6+ ♞xe6
21.♞xd8+ ♞xd8 22.♞xe6 ♞d1+
23.♞e1 ♞xe1+ 24.♖xe1 b5 25.♜f1
♜f7 26.♜e2 ♜e6 27.♜d3 ♖c4 28.b3
♖e5+ 29.♜e4 ♖g4 30.♖e3 ♖xe3
31.fxe3 ♖d6 32.♗f3 a5 33.h3 ♜d7
34.♜d5 a4 35.♖g5 axb3 36.axb3 h6
37.♖f7 ♖e7 38.♖e5+ ♜c7 39.♖xg6
♖g5 40.e4 ♜b6 41.♖e5 ♜a5
42.♖c6+ ♜b6 43.e5 ♜c7 44.♜c5
♜d7 45.♜xb5 ♜e6 46.b4 1-0

Kraai - Monson, BUDAPEST

1.d4 ♖f6 2.c4 e5 3.dxe5 ♖g4
4.♖f4 ♖c6 5.♗f3 ♖b4+ 6.♖bd2
♜e7 7.e3 ♖gxe5 8.♖xe5 ♖xe5
9.♖e2 d6 10.0-0 ♖xd2 11.♜xd2 0-0
12.♞ac1 b6 13.♜c3 f6 14.♞fd1
♖b7 15.b4 a5



16.c5 axb4 17.cxd6 bxc3 18.dxe7
♞fe8 19.♖xe5 fxe5 20.♞d7 ♜f7
21.♞xc3 ♖c8 22.♖c4+ ♜f6 23.♞xc7
♞xe7 24.♞c6+ ♖e6 25.e4 ♞d8 26.h4
♞de8 27.♞f3+ ♜g6 28.♞f5 1-0

Aandahl - Morrow
KING'S INDIAN ATTACK

1.♗f3 ♖f6 2.g3 d5 3.♖g2 ♖c6 4.0-

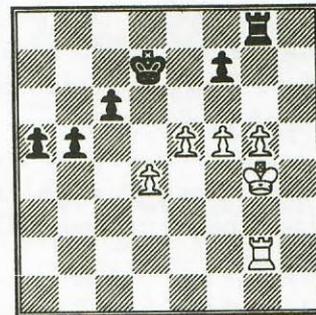
0 e5 5.d3 h6 6.e4 dxe4 7.dxe4 ♖g4
8.♖bd2 ♖d6 9.h3 ♖e6 10.c3 ♜d7
11.♜h2 g5 12.♜a4 g4 13.hxg4
♖xg4+ 14.♜g1 0-0-0 15.♖c4 ♜b8
16.♖e3 h5 17.♖h4 ♖e7 18.♜xd7
♖xd7 19.♖ef5 ♖xf5 20.♖xf5 ♖xf5
21.exf5 c6 22.f3? ♖c5+ 23.♜h1
♖f2+

23...h4 24.fxg4 hxg3+ 25.♖h3 ♞xh3+
26.♜g2 ♞dh8.

24.♜h2 h4 25.g4 h3 26.♖h1 e4
27.♖f4+ ♜c8 28.♞ae1 ♖d3 29.fxe4
♖xf4 30.♞xf4 ♞d2+ 31.♜g3 ♞xb2
32.e5 ♞xa2 33.g5 ♞g8 34.♜g4 ♞g2+
35.♖xg2 hxg2 36.♞d4 ♖xd4
37.cxd4 ♜d7

37...♞d8 may be good.

38.♞g1 b5 39.♞xg2 a5



This is a darned hard position to evaluate; my guess is it may be a draw, although I could see either side winning it. It appears the plan White now adopts does no more than draw.

40.♞h2 a4 41.♞h7 ♜e8 42.♞h6
♜d7 43.♞d6+?!

It appears White should repeat the position with ♞h7. The move chosen would win for White, except that it takes one move too many to get the rook back to the first rank.

43...♜c7 44.♞f6 a3 45.♞xf7+ ♜b6
46.♞h7 a2 47.♞h1 b4 48.f6 b3 49.f7
♞d8 50.e6 b2 51.e7 ♞xd4+ 52.♜h5
b1 ♜ 53.♞xb1+ axb1 ♜ 54.♜h6
♞h4+ 55.♜g7 ♜h7+ 56.♜f6 ♞f4+
0-1

Hortillosa - Hufnagel, QUEEN'S PAWN

1.d4 ♖f6 2.♗f3 g6 3.♖g5 ♖g7

4. ♖bd2 d6 5. c3 ♖bd7 6. e4 h6
7. ♙h4 e5 8. dxe5 dxe5 9. ♙e2 0-0
10. 0-0 ♗e8 11. ♗c2 g5 12. ♙g3 ♖h5
13. ♖fe1 ♖b6 14. ♙xe5?!

It looks like White is winning a pawn, but that is not the case (Fritz2).

14... ♙xe5 15. ♖xe5 ♖f4?
15... ♗xe5! 16. ♙xh5 g4! and the bishop is trapped.

16. ♖d3 ♖xe2+ 17. ♖xe2 f5 18. e5
♙e6 19. ♖ae1 ♖d7 20. ♖b3 b6
21. ♖d4 ♖b8 22. b4 ♗f7 23. a4 ♖e8
24. c4 ♖d7

24... ♙xc4 25. e6.
25. c5 ♖f8 26. f4 ♙c4 27. ♖f2
27. ♖xf5.

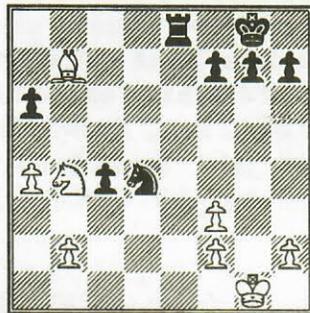
27... ♙xd3 28. ♗xd3 ♖ad8 29. ♗c3
g4 30. ♖c6 ♖d7 31. ♖xa7 ♖a8
32. cxb6 cxb6 33. ♖b5 ♖xa4 34. ♖d6
♗e6 35. ♖xf5! b5 36. ♖e3 h5 37. f5
♗e7 38. e6 ♖xe6 39. fxe6 ♗xe6
40. ♖f5 ♗g6 41. ♗c8+ 1-0

Andy had an excellent game against Ginat in this tournament, which I didn't select because I believe it appears in Chess Life. Look for it there!

R. Johnson - Krowczyk, ENGLISH

1. c4 ♖f6 2. ♖f3 c5 3. ♖c3 e6 4. d4
d5 5. e3 ♖c6 6. cxd5 exd5 7. ♙e2 c4
8. 0-0 a6 9. a4 ♖a5 10. ♖d2 ♖b4
11. ♖e1 ♙f5 12. ♙f3 0-0 13. e4 dxe4
14. ♖dx4 ♖b3 15. ♖xf6+ ♗xf6
16. ♖d5 ♗d8 17. ♖xb4 ♖xa1 18. ♙f4
♖b3 19. ♙xb7 ♗xd4 20. ♗f3?

20. ♗xd4 ♖xd4 21. ♙xa8
20... ♖ae8 21. ♙e3 ♙e4 22. ♙xd4
♙xf3 23. ♖xe8 ♖xe8 24. gxf3 ♖xd4



An interesting ending. White manages

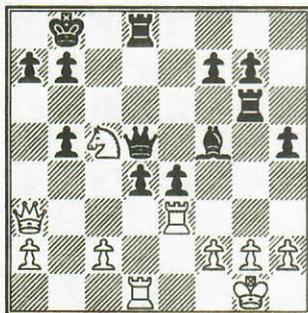
to liquidate the queenside pawns, and the advantage of the exchange is not enough to win when all the remaining pawns are on the same side of the board.

25. ♖xa6 ♖e1+ 26. ♗g2 ♖b3
26... ♖b1 This may win for Black; a sample line with a pretty mate is 27. ♙d5 ♖e2 28. ♙xc4 ♖g1+ 29. ♗h3 ♖f4+ 30. ♗h4 g5+.

27. ♖b4 ♖a5 28. ♙e4 ♖a1 29. ♙c2
♖b3 30. ♖d5! ♖xa4 31. ♖e3 ♖b4
32. ♖xc4! ♖xc4 33. ♙xb3 ♖b4
34. ♙d5 ♖xb2 35. f4 g6 36. ♗g3 ♗g7
37. h4 ♗f6 38. ♗g2 ♗f5 39. ♗g3 ♖b4
40. ♙xf7 ♖xf4 41. f3 ♖b4 42. ♙g8 h6
43. ♙h7 ♗f6 44. ♙g8 ♖b1 45. ♙d5
♖g1+ 46. ♗h2 ♖d1 47. ♙e4 ♖d4
48. ♗g3 ♖xe4 49. fxe4 ♗e5 50. ♗f3
1/2-1/2

Brunt - Revusky, QUEEN'S PAWN

1. d4 ♖f6 2. ♖c3 d5 3. e4 ♖xe4
4. ♖xe4 dxe4 5. ♙c4 ♖c6 6. d5 ♖e5
7. ♙b5+ c6 8. ♗d4 ♗a5+ 9. ♙d2
♗xb5 10. ♗xe5 ♗xd5 11. ♗g3 ♙f5
12. ♖e2 e5 13. ♖c3 ♗e6 14. 0-0 ♙c5
15. ♖fe1 0-0-0 16. ♙e3 ♙d4 17. ♖a4
h5 18. ♙xd4 exd4 19. ♖c5 ♗d5
20. b4 ♖h6 21. ♗a3 ♗b8 22. b5 cxb5
23. ♖ab1 ♖b6 24. ♖bd1 ♖g6 25. ♖e3



Fritz2 gives this position as over a 4 pawn plus for Black. Yet it's not so easy to make the point here, and tenacious defense finally rewards White with a half point.

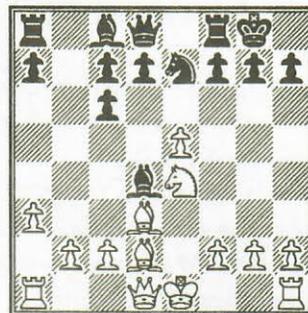
25... ♙g4
25... dxe3 26. ♖xd5 ♖xd5! (26... exf2+ 27. ♗xf2 ♖xd5 28. ♖xe4 ♙xe4 29. ♗f8+ ♗c7 30. ♗e7+ ♗b6 31. ♗xe4) 27. fxe3

♙h3.
26. ♖d2 ♙f3 27. g3 h4 28. ♖b3 hxg3
29. fxc3 dxe3 30. ♖xd5 ♖xd5
31. ♗f8+ ♗c7 32. ♗xf7+ ♖d7
33. ♗f4+ ♖g6 34. ♗xe3 b6 35. c3
♖d1+ 36. ♗f2 ♖h1 37. ♗f4+ ♗b7
38. ♖d4 ♖xh2+ 39. ♗e3 ♖xa2
40. ♗f5 ♖xd4 41. cxd4 ♖a3+ 42. ♗f4
♙g2 43. ♗xb5 e3 44. ♗b2 g5+
45. ♗xg5 e2 46. ♗xe2 1/2-1/2

RESERVE SECTION

Rice - Spitz, KING'S PAWN

1. e4 e5 2. ♖f3 ♖f6 3. d4 exd4 4. e5
♖g8 5. ♖xd4 ♖c6 6. ♖xc6 bxc6
7. ♖c3 ♖b4 8. ♙d2 ♖e7 9. ♙d3 0-0
10. a3 ♙c5 11. ♖e4 ♙d4



12. ♗h5 ♙xb2 13. ♖f6+ gxf6
14. ♗xh7+ 1-0

White - Aragon, FRENCH

1. e4 e6 2. d4 c5 3. ♖f3 cxd4 4. ♖xd4
e5 5. ♖f5 d6 6. ♙c4 ♙xf5 7. exf5 ♖f6
8. ♙g5 ♙e7 9. 0-0 0-0 10. ♖c3 ♗c8
11. ♙d3 d5 12. ♖xd5 ♖xd5 13. ♙xe7
♖xe7 14. f6 gxf6 15. ♗h5 ♖g6
16. ♖fe1 f5 17. ♙xf5 ♗c7 18. ♖e3
♖d7 19. ♖h3 ♖f6 20. ♗h6 e4 21. g4
♗f4 22. g5 ♗xf5 23. gxf6 ♗g4+
24. ♗h1 ♖h4 25. ♖xh4 ♗f3+ 26. ♗g1
1-0

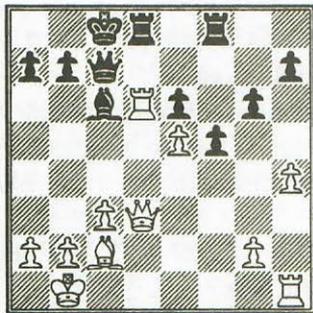
Sallee - Romo, KING'S INDIAN ATTACK

1. ♖f3 ♖f6 2. g3 d5 3. ♙g2 ♙g4 4. 0-0
♖c6 5. d3 e6 6. ♖bd2 ♙d6 7. e4 d4
8. c3 e5 9. ♖c4 h6 10. ♖xd6+ ♗xd6

11.c4 0-0 12.a4 a5 13.b3 ♖b4
 14.♔a3 c5 15.♗d2 ♕xf3 16.♕xf3
 ♗h7 17.♖fc1 ♗d7 18.♕g2 ♖fe8
 19.♕xb4 axb4 20.♖a2 ♗c7 21.♖ca1
 ♗d7 22.♗d1 ♖a6 23.♕h3 ♗f6
 24.♗g2 ♖h8 25.♗f3 ♗g8 26.♗f5 g6
 27.♗c8+ ♗xc8 28.♕xc8 ♖a7 29.a5
 ♗g7 30.♕h3 g5 31.♗g1 g4 32.♕f1
 ♖ha8 33.♕g2 ♗d7 34.f4 gxf3
 35.♕xf3 ♗b8 36.♕g4 ♗c6 37.a6
 ♖xa6 38.♖xa6 ♖xa6 39.♖xa6 bxa6
 40.♕c8 ♗a5 41.♕xa6 ♗xb3
 42.♕b5 ♗c1 43.♕a4 ♗xd3 44.♗f1
 ♗b2 45.♕b3 ♗f6 46.♗e2 ♗g5
 47.♗d2 ♗g4 48.♗c2 ♗xc4 49.♕xc4
 ♗h3 50.♕xf7 ♗xh2 51.g4 ♗g3
 52.♕e6 ♗f4 53.♗d3 ♗g5 54.♗c4
 ♗f4 55.♗d3 ♗f3 56.♕f5 ♗f2
 57.♗c4 ♗e3 58.♗d5 d3 59.♗xe5 d2
 60.g5 d1 ♗0-1

Roode - Martinez, FRENCH

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.♗c3 dxe4 4.♗xe4
 ♗f6 5.♕d3 ♗xe4 6.♕xe4 c5 7.♕e3
 ♗d7 8.c3 ♕e7 9.♗f3 ♗f6 10.♕c2
 ♗d5 11.♗d3 ♗xe3 12.fxe3 cxd4
 13.exd4 ♕f6 14.0-0-0 g6 15.h4 ♗a5
 16.♗b1 ♕d7 17.♗e5 ♕xe5 18.dxe5
 0-0-0 19.♗f3 ♖hf8 20.♕e4 ♗c7
 21.♖d6 f5 22.♕c2 ♕c6 23.♗d3



The players decide to enter an instructive ending.

23... ♕xg2 24.♖d1 ♕e4
 24... ♕d5.
 25.♖xd8+ ♖xd8 26.♗xd8+ ♗xd8
 27.♖xd8+ ♗xd8 28.♕xe4 fxe4
 29.c4

White needs to get his king over to the king-side right away.

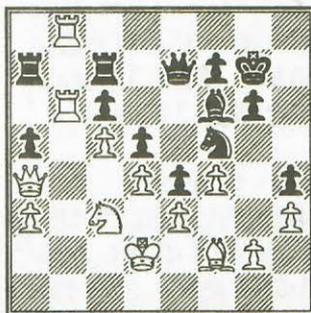
29... ♗d7

29...h5 30.♗c2 g5! 31.hxg5 h4 and the BRP runs in, while White's g-pawn is easily stopped. 32.g6 ♗e7.

30.b4 ♗c6 31.♗c2 b6 32.♗d2 a5
 33.a3 axb4 34.axb4 b5 35.c5 ♗d5
 36.♗e3 ♗xe5 37.♗f2 ♗d5 38.♗e3
 h6 39.♗f2 ♗e5 40.♗e3 ♗d5 1/2-1/2

Wilson - Clint, SEMI-SLAV

1.d4 c6 2.c4 d5 3.♗c3 ♗f6 4.♗f3
 e6 5.e3 ♕d6 6.c5 ♕c7 7.a3 ♗bd7
 8.♗c2 e5 9.♕e2 e4 10.♗d2 ♗g8
 11.f4 ♗df6 12.b4 ♗e7 13.h3 ♗f5
 14.♗f1 h5 15.♕d2 ♗h7 16.0-0-0 h4
 17.♖g1 g6 18.♕e1 ♗f6 19.♕f2 ♗h5
 20.♕g4 ♗fg3 21.♗d2 ♗xf1
 22.♖dxfl ♕e6 23.♗c2 ♗f6 24.♖b1
 ♗g7 25.♕xe6 ♗xe6 26.b5 ♕a5
 27.♗e2 ♗f5 28.♕e1 0-0 29.♗c1
 ♕d8 30.♕f2 ♕f6 31.♗b2 ♖ab8
 32.♗d2 ♖fe8 33.♖ge1 ♖e7 34.♗b3
 ♖d8 35.♗a4 ♖a8 36.♖b2 ♗c8
 37.♖eb1 a6 38.bxc6 bxc6 39.♖b6
 ♖c7 40.♖b1 b4 a5 41.♖b2 ♗g7
 42.♗b3 ♗e7 43.♗a4 ♖a6 44.♗d1
 ♖ca7 45.♖b8 ♗d7 46.♗h1 ♗f5
 47.♗b1 ♖c7 48.♖2b6 ♖aa7 49.♗d1
 ♗e7 50.♗a4



50... ♕xd4 51.♖xc6

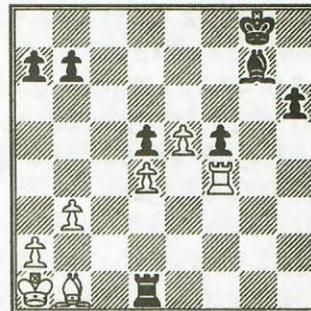
51.exd4 e3+ 52.♕xe3 ♗xe3+ 53.♗c2
 ♗xd4+.

51... ♕xc3+ 52.♗xc3 ♖xc6
 53.♗xc6 ♖c7 54.♗a8 ♗xc5+ 0-1

Hernandez - Cole,
 KING'S FIANCHETTO DEFENSE

1.e4 d6 2.d4 ♗f6 3.♗c3 g6 4.♕e3
 ♕g7 5.♗d2 h6 6.h3 e6 7.♗f3 ♕d7
 8.♕d3 ♗c6 9.0-0-0 ♗b4 10.e5 ♗fd5

11.♗xd5 ♗xd5 12.g3 ♗xe3
 13.♗xe3 0-0 14.g4 ♕c6 15.♖h2
 ♕xf3 16.♗xf3 d5 17.h4 c5 18.c3
 cxd4 19.cxd4 ♖c8+ 20.♕c2 ♗a5
 21.♗b1 ♖c6 22.♗d3 ♖fc8 23.f4 ♖b6
 24.♗a1 ♗b4 25.♕b1 ♗b5 26.h5
 ♗xd3 27.♕xd3 ♖b4 28.♕b1 ♖bc4
 29.hxg6 fxg6 30.b3 ♖c1 31.♖xc1
 ♖xc1 32.f5 gxf5 33.gxf5 exf5 34.♖f2
 ♖d1 35.♖f4



35... ♖xd4 36.♖xf5

36.♖xd4 ♕xe5 37.♕xf5 ♕xd4+ 38.♗b1
 ♗f7+.

36... ♖d1 37.♗b2 ♖e1 38.♖h5 ♖xe5
 39.♖xe5 ♕xe5+ 40.♗c1 ♗g7
 41.♕f5 ♗f6 42.♕h3 ♕f4+ 43.♗c2
 ♗e5 44.♗d3 d4 45.♕g2 b6 46.♕e4
 ♕e3 47.a4 h5 48.♕h1 h4 49.b4 h3
 50.a5 bxa5 51.bxa5 h2 52.a6 ♗f4
 53.♗e2 ♗g3 54.♕a8 ♕f4 55.♕h1
 d3+ 56.♗xd3 ♗f2 57.♗e4 ♕c7
 58.♗d5 ♗g1 59.♕e4 h1 ♗60.♕xh1
 ♗xh1 61.♗c6 ♕b6 62.♗d5 ♗g2
 63.♗c4 ♗f2 64.♗d3 ♕e3 65.♗c2
 ♗e2 66.♗c3 ♕b6 67.♗c4 ♗e3
 68.♗c3 ♗e4 69.♗c4 ♗e5 70.♗b5
 ♗d5 71.♗b4 ♗c6 72.♗a4 ♕g1
 73.♗a5 ♕f2 74.♗a4 ♗b6 75.♗a3
 ♗xa6 76.♗a4 ♗b6 77.♗b4 a5+
 78.♗a4 ♕h4 79.♗b3 ♗b5 80.♗a3
 a4 81.♗a2 ♗b4 82.♗b2 ♕f6+
 83.♗a2 a3 84.♗b1 ♗b3 0-1

Mena - Amaro - Hernandez,
 KING'S INDIAN ATTACK

1.♗f3 d5 2.g3 ♗f6 3.♕g2 c5 4.d3
 ♗c6 5.♗bd2 ♕g4 6.h3 ♕f5 7.0-0
 ♗d7 8.h4 h6 9.♖e1 g5 10.hxg5 hxg5
 11.♗xg5 ♕h6 12.♗f1 ♕xg5

13. ♖xg5 ♗h3 14. ♗h4 ♖xg2
 15. ♖xg2 0-0-0 16. ♗d2 ♖xh4
 17. ♖h1 ♖xh1 18. ♖xh1 ♗d4 19. e3
 ♗f5 20. ♗f3 ♖g8 21. ♖h3 e6 22. a3
 ♖c7 23. ♖f1 ♗g4 24. ♖e2 c4 25. d4
 c3 26. b3 ♖a5 27. ♖h7 ♖a6+ 28. ♖e1
 ♖g7 29. ♖h8+ ♖c7 30. ♖h1 ♗gxe3
 31. fxe3 ♗xg3 32. ♖g2 ♗f5 33. ♖h2+
 ♗g3 34. ♖g2 ♗f5 35. ♖h2+ ♖d7
 36. ♗e5+ ♖e7 37. ♖f2 ♖d6 38. ♗f3
 ♖xh2+ 39. ♗xh2 ♖g3 40. ♗f3 ♖g8
 41. ♖g1 ♖xg1 42. ♗xg1 ♗d6 43. ♖e2
 ♖f6 44. ♗f3 ♖f5 45. ♖d3 ♗e4
 46. ♗e5 f6 47. ♗f3 ♖g4 48. ♖e2 ♗g5
 49. ♗e1 ♖g3 50. ♗d3 b6 51. ♗b4
 ♗h3 52. ♗c6 a6 53. ♗b8 ♗g1+
 54. ♖d3 ♖f3 55. ♗xa6

Allowing mate in 5 (Fritz2)

55... ♗e2 56. ♗c7 ♗c1+? 57. ♖xc3
 ♖xe3 58. ♗xe6 ♗e2+ 59. ♖b2 ♗xd4
 60. ♗c7 ♖e4 61. c4 dxc4 62. bxc4 f5
 63. ♖c3 f4 64. ♖d2 f3 65. ♗d5 f2
 66. ♗e3 ♖f3 67. a4 ♗c2 68. ♗xc2
 68. ♗f1 ♖g2.

68... f1 ♖ 69. ♗d4+ ♖e4 70. ♗e2
 ♖f2 0-1

Fuchs - Martinez, FRENCH DEFENSE

1. e4 e6 2. f4 d5 3. exd5 exd5 4. ♗f3
 ♗f6 5. d4 ♗f5 6. ♗a3 c6 7. ♗d3
 ♗xd3 8. ♖xd3 ♗d6 9. ♗d2 0-0 10. 0-0
 ♖e8 11. ♗e5 ♖c7 12. ♖hf1 ♗bd7
 13. ♗xd7 ♗xd7 14. g4 b5 15. f5 a5
 16. g5 a4 17. f6 g6 18. ♖h3 ♗f8
 19. ♖f4 ♖c8 20. ♖h4 ♗xf6 21. gxf6
 ♖xh3 22. ♖xh3 b4 23. ♗b1 ♖e6
 24. ♗g5 ♖ae8 25. c3 b3 26. axb3 axb3
 27. ♗d2 ♖e2 28. ♗xb3 ♖g2 29. ♗f4
 ♖ee2 30. ♖d2 h5 31. ♖xe2 ♖xe2
 32. ♖e3 ♖f2 33. ♗g3 ♖xf6 34. ♖b1
 ♖h7 35. ♖e8 ♗g7 36. ♗c5 g5 37. ♖e2
 h4 38. ♗e5 ♖f1+ 39. ♖a2 ♗xe5
 40. dxe5 ♖g6 41. e6 fxe6 42. ♗xe6 h3
 43. ♖e3 g4 44. ♗d4 c5 45. ♗c6 ♖f2
 46. ♗e7+ ♖f7 47. ♗xd5

Black's pawns prove more powerful than the White knight.

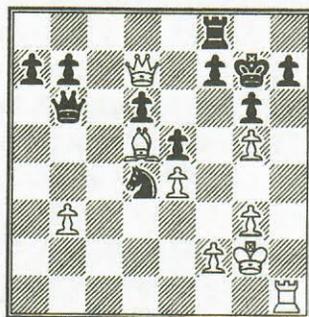
47... ♖xh2 48. ♗f4 ♖h1 49. ♖g3 h2
 50. ♖xg4 ♖a1+ 51. ♖xa1 h1 ♖+
 52. ♖a2 ♖a8+ 53. ♖b3 ♖f3 54. ♗g6!
 ♖e8 55. ♖c4

55. ♖g5 ♖f6 56. ♖g3.

55... ♖b7+ 56. ♖a3 ♖a6+ 57. ♖b3
 ♖b5+ 58. ♖b4 cxb4 59. cxb4 ♖d3+
 60. ♖a4 ♖xg6 0-1

Medlin - Fox, SICILIAN

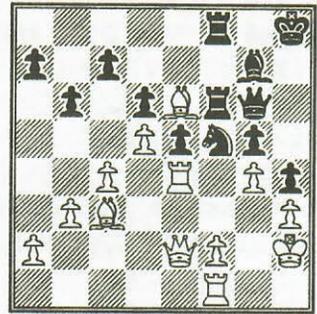
1. e4 c5 2. ♗f3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4. ♗xd4
 ♗f6 5. ♗c3 e5 6. ♗f3 ♗e7 7. ♗e2
 ♗c6 8. ♗e3 0-0 9. 0-0 ♗g4 10. ♗d5
 ♗xe3 11. ♗xe3 ♗e6 12. ♗d5 ♗xd5
 13. ♖xd5 ♖b6 14. b3 ♗b4 15. ♖d1
 ♖ac8 16. ♗c4 ♖fd8 17. a3 ♗c6
 18. ♗d5 ♗d4 19. h4? ♗xc2 20. ♖c1
 ♗xa3 21. ♖xc8 ♖xc8 22. ♗g5 ♗xg5
 23. hxxg5 g6 24. g3 ♗b5 25. ♖f3 ♖f8
 26. ♖g2 ♗d4 27. ♖g4 ♖g7 28. ♖h1
 ♖h8 29. ♖d7 ♖f8



30. ♖xh7+! ♖xh7 31. ♖h3+ ♖g7
 31... ♖g8 32. ♖h6 ♗e6 33. ♗xe6 ♖c7
 34. ♖xg6+ ♖h8 35. ♖h6+ ♖g8+.
 32. ♖h6+ ♖g8 33. ♖xg6+ ♖h8
 34. ♖h6+ ♖g8 35. g6 1-0

Overdorff - Cronin, KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE

1. d4 ♗f6 2. ♗f3 d6 3. c4 g6 4. e4
 ♗g7 5. ♗c3 0-0 6. ♗e2 ♗bd7 7. 0-0
 e5 8. d5 h6 9. ♖e1 ♖e8 10. ♖h1 ♗f8
 11. h3 g5 12. ♗h2 ♗g6 13. g3 ♗h7
 14. ♗h5 b6 15. b3 ♖f8 16. ♖g2 ♗e7
 17. ♗g4 f5 18. exf5 ♗xf5 19. ♗e4
 ♗xe4+ 20. ♖xe4 ♗f5 21. ♗e3 ♗f6
 22. ♗xf6+ ♖xf6 23. ♖e1 ♗e7
 24. ♗g4 ♖g6 25. ♗e6+ ♖h8 26. ♗d2
 ♖f6 27. ♖e2 ♖af8 28. ♖f1 ♗f5
 29. ♗c3 h5 ? 0. ♖h2 h4 31. g4



31... ♗g3 32. fxxg3 hxxg3+ 33. ♖xg3
 ♖xf1 34. ♗f5 ♖8xf5 35. gxf5 ♖xf5
 36. ♖g2 ♖f2+ 37. ♖xf2 ♖xe4+
 38. ♖f3 ♖c2+
 38... ♖xf3+ 39. ♖xf3 e4+ 40. ♖xe4 ♗xc3
 41. ♖f5 ♗d2 42. ♖e6 ♖g7 43. ♖d7 ♖f6
 44. ♖xc7 ♖e5.
 39. ♖g3 e4 40. ♖h5+
 40. ♖f8+ ♖h7 41. ♖xg7+.
 40... ♖g8 41. ♖e8+ ♖h7 42. ♖h5+
 ♖g8 1/2-1/2

Bast - Davis, RETI

1. ♗f3 b6 2. c4 ♗b7 3. ♗c3 e6 4. e4
 c5 5. d4 cxd4 6. ♗xd4 ♗c5 7. ♗e3
 ♗c6 8. ♗e2 ♗xd4 9. ♗xd4 ♗e7
 10. ♗xg7 ♖g8 11. ♗d4 ♗b4 12. ♗f3
 ♖c8 13. ♖e2 ♖c7 14. a3 ♗xc3+
 15. ♗xc3 ♖xc4 16. ♖d1 ♖xe2+
 17. ♖xe2 ♖c4 18. ♖d4 ♗a6 19. ♖e3
 ♖xd4 20. ♗xd4 ♗g6 21. ♖c1 e5
 22. ♗c3 f6 23. g3 ♖f7 24. ♗b4 ♖c8
 25. ♖xc8 ♗xc8

White now demonstrates how to take advantage of his two bishops to exploit some slight weaknesses in the Black position.

26. ♗g4 ♖e8 27. ♗f5 ♖f7 28. h4 h6
 29. ♗d6 ♗e7 30. ♗g4 ♗c6 31. f4
 ♗a5 32. ♖d3 ♗a6+ 33. ♖c3 ♗c4
 34. ♗b8 exf4 35. gxf4 d6 36. ♗e2 b5
 37. a4 ♗b7 38. axb5 ♗e3 39. ♗f3 a6
 40. bxa6 ♗xa6 41. ♗xd6 f5 42. e5
 ♖e6 43. ♖d4 ♗c2+ 44. ♖c5 ♗e3
 45. b4 ♖d7 46. b5 ♗c8 47. ♗c6+ ♖d8
 48. b6 h5 49. e6 ♗xe6 50. b7 ♗c4
 51. b8 ♖+ ♗c8 52. ♖c7+

A nice, efficiently played ending by Alan. 1-0

Playing the Game

by SM John Curdo

This is the text of my lecture, "Birth of a Combination".

When you study chess, you should spend time on all three phases of the game: opening, middlegame and endgame.

Middlegame study is simpler if you divide it into two segments, tactics and strategy. Here we will attack the easiest segment.

Tactics

Defining tactics is about as hard as catching the elusive "butterfly of love". I went to three chess dictionaries in my search. The great Oxford Companion to Chess by Hooper and Whyld defines it this way:

"TACTICS, the art of conducting the game, the means by which strategic plans are carried out."

This is nice! But I prefer the simpler explanation that tactics is the visualization and evaluation of a future position. Hooper and Whyld also say that "tactics cannot be learned by rote: they vary from game to game, even when the same strategic plan is used."

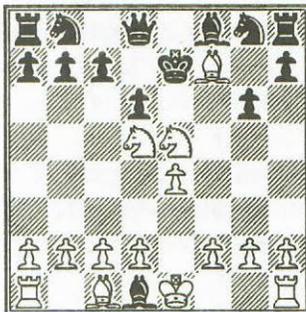
I disagree! We have all learned to recognize forking, pinning and double-attacking situations, among others, by repetitious example. So I believe we can train our tactical "eye" by learning more complex attacking themes, and applying them to our own games. Some of these themes have names, and some do not. But if we give them names, they are easier to recall.

Legal's Mate

Our first example is Legal's Mate, named after a strong 18th-century French player:

1.e4 e5 2.f3 d6 3.Qc4 Qg4

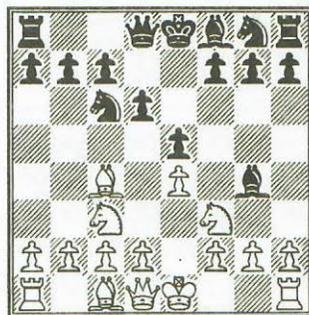
4.Qc3 g6? 5.Qxe5! Qxd1 6.Qxf7+ Qe7 7.Qd5 mate.



All chessplayers should know this one for the sheer beauty of the final position. It was one of the many that fueled my chess passion in the 1940's. We may not get the opportunity to reproduce such a classic exactly, but it can help us to implement our strategy:

Mass. Championship Prelims
Boston, March 1948
Philidor's Defense
Curdo - I. Miller

1.e4 e5 2.f3 Qc6 3.Qc3 d6
4.Qc4 Qg4



Now, of course, 5.Qxe5? fails because Black's recapture, ...Qxe5, protects his Bishop. But I saw a possible combination.

5.h3

I've had this position since, and Black usually replies 5...Qxf3.

5...Qh5? 6.Qxe5!

Now 6...Qxd1 allows Legal's little beauty, so ...

6...Qxe5

This seems to win a piece.

7.Qxh5 Qxc4

If 7...Qf6 8.Qe2.

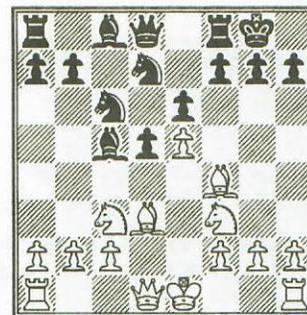
8.Qb5+ c6 9.Qxc4

Now White has won a Pawn, with the better position to boot! It took me another 40 moves to win, since my technique was a little ragtime in those days.

The BxRPch Trick

Let's move on to something a bit heavier - your basic BxRPch trick. This is THE standard Bishop sacrifice against the King that has castled on the Kingside. It occurs in many openings, against both White and Black. Here is an example:

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Qc3 Qf6 4.e5 Qfd7 5.Qf3 c5 6.dxc5 Qc6 7.Qf4 Qxc5 8.Qd3 0-0?



In this "fast development" variation of the French Defense, it is generally known that Black should NOT castle here (theory prefers 8...f6). We now have the ideal setting for our BxRPch trick:

9.Qxh7+! Qxh7 10.Qg5+ Qg6

Let's eliminate all of the alternatives: 10...Qh8 allows mate in two, and 10...Qh6 11.Qxe6+ is obvious. So 10...Qg8 is the main alternative, when Black loses nicely after 11.Qh5 Qe8 12.Qxf7+ Qh8 13.Qh5+ Qg8 14.Qh7+ Qf8 15.Qh8+ Qe7 16.Qxg7 mate.

11.Qd3+ f5

Forced.

12.Qg3

12.exf6 en passant check is both inter-

esting and dubious.

12...♖e7

12...♖b6!?

13.h4!

- and the White attack should be worth the Bishop for Pawn deficit. Remember, this example is just to give you a taste of the sacrifice. The procedure will vary from game to game. I've played a few of these sacrifices myself, and here are two:

French Defense

White: Curdo (1977)

1.e4 e6 2.d4 c5 3.c3 cxd4 4.cxd4 d5 5.e5 ♖c6 6.♗f3 ♖b4+ 7.♗c3 ♗ge7 8.♗d3 0-0? 9.♗xh7+! ♖xh7 10.♗g5+ ♖g6

Here, 10...♖g8 11.♖h5 ♖e8 12.♖h7+ ♖f8 13.♖h8+ ♗g8 14.♗h7+ ♖e7 15.♗g5+ (winning) is different.

11.♖g4 f5 12.♖g3 f4 13.♖g4 ♖h6 14.♖h4+ ♖g6 15.♖h7+! ♖xg5 16.h4+ ♖g4 17.♖xg7+ ♗g6 18.♖xg6+ 1-0

The next example is a lot more original:

Black: Curdo (1978)

1.b3 e5 2.♗b2 ♗c6 3.e3 d5 4.♗b5 ♗d6 5.♗f3 ♖e7 6.c4 dxc4 7.bxc4 ♗d7 8.0-0 ♗f6 9.d4 e4 10.♗fd2?

White could have avoided the deadly "trick" by 10.♗xc6 ♗xc6 11.♗e5.

10...♗xh2+! 11.♖xh2 ♗g4+ 12.♖g3

We should know how to win on 12.♖g1 by now.

12...h5! 13.♖e2 h4+ 14.♖h3

If 14.♖f4 g5 mate!

14...♖d6!

With two mate threats, check'em out.

15.♖xg4

The defensive try 15.g3 hxg3+ lets a fourth Black piece into the mating attack.

15...♗xg4+ 16.♖xg4 ♖e6+

With three pieces for his Queen, the White King mustn't be allowed to sneak back into his castle with 17.♖h3.

17.♖f4 g5+ 18.♖xg5 ♖g8+ 19.♖h5 ♖f5+ 0-1

As I have said, it can happen in various openings with either color. The single biggest factor is the absence of a defending Knight at f3 or f6.

The double-Bishop sacrifice

Now you are ready to graduate to a really big theme: the "double-Bishop" sacrifice! The first example of this fine theme was the famous game Emanuel Lasker - Bauer, 1899, out of a Bird's Opening. And my mentor Tarrasch, with Black, pulled it on the great Nimzovich. It is relatively rare compared to the "trick", but I have found one opportunity in my career (so far!).

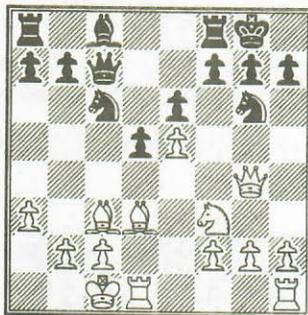
Waterville Open

Waterville, NH, Oct 1973

French Defense

Curdo - W. Dinner

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.♗c3 ♗b4 4.e5 c5 5.♗d2 ♗e7 6.a3 ♗xc3 7.♗xc3 cxd4 8.♖xd4 ♗bc6 9.♖g4 0-0 10.♗f3 ♖c7 11.♗d3 ♗g6 12.0-0-0!

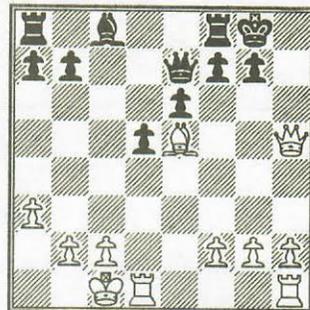


Setting up the double-Bishop sac. Black understandably grabs the White e Pawn; if he sits on his position the White attack builds fast, for example ♖h5 and ♗g5 or h4-h5, and so on. And Black's thematic defensive move, f5, loses a Pawn here.

12...♗cxe5 13.♗xe5 ♗xe5 14.♗xh7+ ♖xh7 15.♖h5+ ♖g8 16.♗xe5 ♖e7 (see next diagram)

This position was easy to visualize, since the moves were forced, but the upcoming

second Bishop sac was difficult to evaluate at a distance.



17.♗xg7! ♖xg7 18.♗d3 ♖g8

Black is lost! His best try is 18...f5 19.♖g3+ ♖f6 20.♖g5+ ♖f7 21.♖g6 mate.

19.♖g3+ ♖f8 20.♖h6+ ♖e8 21.♖xg8+ 1-0

Visualization is the name of the game.

The three complete games in this column appear in my booklet Chess Caviar.

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4.	Randy Canney	2347	m4
5.	Mikhail Ponomarev	2313	M0
6.	Jerry Kearns	2310	M6
7.	Michael Ginat	2290	M4
8.	Todd Bardwick	2249	m7
9.	Bob Fordon	2214	X2
10.	Bruce Monson	2199	m4
11.	Sage Mo	2175	X7
12.	Robert Karnisky	2166	m4
13.	Igor Kaplansky	2166/13	X0
14.	Richard Buchanan	2124	X9
15.	Brad Lundstrom	2124	x4

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3	James Hamblin	2100	W10	W14	L5	W8	
4	Arkady Kotlyazevsky	UNR	W11	L2	W15	W7	
5	Chris Brunt	2061	W17	W7	W3	L1	
6	Erik Been	2110	W15	L1	D9	W13	2.5
7	Richard Buchanan.....	2124	W9	L5	W13	L4	2.0
8	Garth Courtois	1921	L2	W18	W17	L3	
9	Peter Daw	1900	L7	W11	D6	D14	
10	Michael Steinhardt.....	1805	L3	L17	W16	W15	
11	David Helt.....	1762	L4	L9	W18	W17	
12	Nadir Zulqernain	1600	L13	Bye	W14	L2	2.0
13	Carl Van Laethem	2049	W12	Bye	L7	L6	1.5
14	Gerry Morris	1907	W19	L3	L12	D9	
15	Donald Labencki.....	1814	L6	W16	L4	L10	1.0
16	David Barbour	1680	L1	L15	L10	W18	
17	Matthew DeElena	1649	L5	W10	L8	L11	
18	Douglas Andersen	1203	W20	L8	L11	L16	
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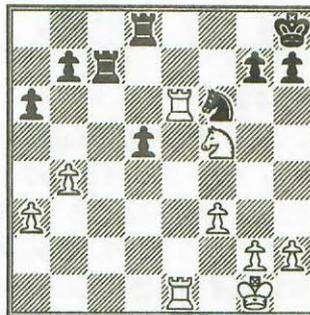
Daw - Buchanan, FRENCH DEFENSE

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.♗d2 ♗f6 4.e5
 ♗fd7 5.♗d3 c5 6.c3 ♗c6 7.♗e2
 ♗b6 8.♗f3 cd4 9.cd4 ♗b4 10.♗d2
 f6 11.ef6 ♗f6 12.0-0 0-0 13.a3
 ♗d6 14.b4 e5 15.de5 ♗e5 16.♗e5
 ♗e5 17.♗e3 ♗d8 18.♗d4 ♗e8
 19.f3 ♗d4 20.♗d4 ♗d7 21.♗e1
 ♗h5 22.♗b5 ♗ad8 23.♗d7 ♗d7
 24.♗a4 a6 25.♗e6 ♗df7 26.♗ae1
 ♗h4 27.♗f5 ♗f4 28.♗c2 ♗c7
 29.♗e7 ♗h8 30.♗f5 ♗f5 31.♗f5
 ♗d8

(see diagram)

32.♗d6 ♗g8 33.♗e8 ♗e8 34.♗e8
 ♗e8 35.♗e8 ♗f7 36.♗d8 ♗e6
 37.♗f2 ♗e5 38.♗e8 ♗d4 39.f4
 ♗c3 40.♗e3 ♗c4 41.♗e1 ♗d7
 42.♗e3 d4 43.♗d2 ♗b3 44.b5 ab5
 45.♗b1 ♗a3 46.♗b5 ♗a4 47.♗b6

♗a5 48.♗b1 b5 49.♗d3 b4 50.♗c4
 ♗c7 51.♗d4 ♗a4 52.g4 b3 53.f5
 ♗a3 54.♗e5 ♗e7 55.♗d6 ♗e2
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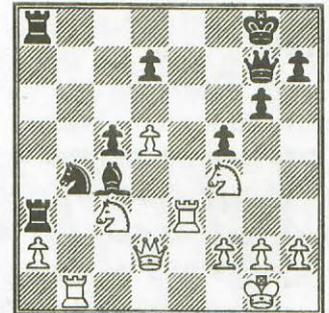
Revusky - McCarty, NIMZO-INDIAN

1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗c3 ♗b4 4.e3

c5 5.♗d3 d5 6.♗e2 cd4 7.ed4 dc4
 8.♗c4 0-0 9.0-0 ♗d6 10.♗g3 ♗bd7
 11.♗d3 ♗e7 12.♗e1 ♗b6 13.♗b3
 ♗bd5 14.a3 b6 15.♗c2 ♗b7
 16.♗g5 g6 17.h4 ♗c8 18.♗b3 ♗e8
 19.h5 ♗d7 20.hg6 hg6 21.♗ad1
 ♗f8 22.♗ge4 ♗g7 23.♗h3 ♗h7
 24.♗h6 ♗h8 25.♗h4 ♗c3 26.♗c3
 ♗cd8 27.♗e3 ♗f6 28.♗g4 ♗c8
 29.♗h3 ♗c6 30.♗f4 ♗d4 31.♗d4
 ♗d4 32.♗h4 ♗f8 33.♗g5 ♗d7??
 34.♗d4 1-0

Buchanan - Brunt, BENKO GAMBIT

1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 b5 4.cb5 a6
 5.e3 g6 6.♗c3 ♗g7 7.♗b1 ♗a5
 8.♗d2 ab5 9.♗b5 ♗b6 10.♗c3
 0-0 11.♗c4 e6 12.♗ge2 ♗b7 13.e4
 ♗e4 14.0-0 ♗d6 15.b3 ♗a6
 16.♗g5 ♗c4 17.bc4 ♗b4 18.♗d2
 ♗a3 19.♗h6 ♗h6 20.♗h6 ed5
 21.cd5 f5 22.♗fd1 ♗fa8 23.♗d3
 ♗f6 24.♗h3 ♗g7 25.♗d2 ♗a6
 26.♗f4 ♗c4 27.♗e3



27....♗a2 28.♗a2 ♗a2 29.♗c1
 ♗a1 30.♗e1 ♗b1 31.♗b1 ♗d4
 32.♗b7 ♗a1 33.♗b8 ♗g7 34.♗h5
 ♗h6 35.♗e8 ♗e1 36.♗e1 ♗h5
 37.h3 ♗d5 38.♗e7 ♗h6 39.g4 ♗d1
 40.♗h2 ♗h1 41.♗g3 ♗f3 0-1

Brunt - Hamblin

BLACKMAR-DIEMER GAMBIT

1.d4 d5 2.♗c3 ♗f6 3.e4 ♗e4
 4.♗e4 de4 5.♗c4 ♗c6 6.c3 e6 7.f3
 e3 8.♗e3 ♗d6 9.f4 ♗f6 10.♗f3
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 13.♗e2 ♗g4 14.♗ae1 a6 15.♗d3

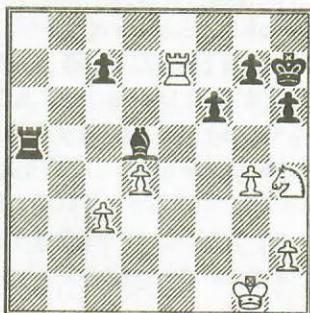
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 18. ♗e2 ♘a5 19. ♗d3 ♗ad8 20. ♗e3
 ♗d5 21. ♗h3 h6 22. g4!? ♘c4
 23. ♗c4 bc4 24. b3 cb3 25. ab3 f6
 26. ♘g6 ♗fe8 27. b4 ♗c4

An alternative would be 27...e5. Play
 might follow with 28. de5 ♗e4 29. ♘h4
 fe5 30. ♗e1 ♗d3.

28. ♗e1 ♗h7

If Black is to play e5 at some point the
 king needs to be at f7 not h7.

29. ♘h4 e5 30. ♗he3 ♗d5 31. ♘f3
 e4 32. ♗e4 ♗e4 33. ♗e4 a5 34. ba5
 ♗a5 35. ♗e7 ♗d5 36. ♘h4



36....c6?!

36...♗a1 37. ♗f2 ♗h1 is Black's best
 chance to maintain the balance.

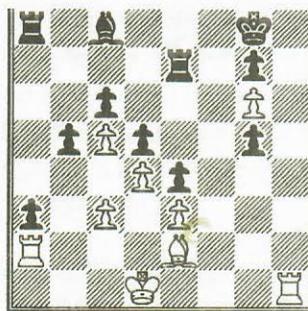
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 ♗c2 40. ♗g7 ♗h8 41. ♗g6 ♗c3
 42. ♗h4 ♗g2 43. ♗h6 ♗g8 44. ♗f6
 ♗h3 45. ♗g5 ♗h2 46. ♗g6

Also good is 46. ♘e7 ♗h8 47. ♗f2 ♗g7
 48. ♘f5 ♗h7 49. ♘e3.

46....♗e4 47. ♗d6 ♗f5 48. ♗f5 1-0

DeElena - Steinhardt, RAGOZIN

1. d4 ♘f6 2. c4 e6 3. ♘f3 d5 4. ♘c3
 ♗b4 5. ♗g5 c6 6. e3 ♙a5 7. ♙c2
 ♘e4 8. ♗c1 ♙a2 9. ♗d3 ♗c3 10. bc3
 ♙c2 11. ♗c2 ♘g5 12. ♘g5 h6
 13. ♘f3 0-0 14. c5 b5 15. ♘e5 ♗b7
 16. ♗a2 f6 17. ♘g6 ♗e8 18. f4 a5
 19. h4 ♘d7 20. g4 ♘f8 21. h5 ♘g6
 22. hg6 e5 23. ♗d1 e4 24. ♗f1 a4
 25. ♗ah2 a3 26. ♗a2 ♗c8 27. ♗e2
 ♗e7 28. g5 fg5 29. fg5 hg5



30. ♗b5! cb5 31. ♗ah2 1-0

Revusky - Been, NIMZO-INDIAN

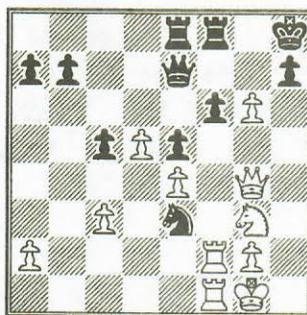
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 11. f4 ef4 12. ♗f4 ♘g4 13. ♘g3 ♘e5
 14. ♗e5 de5 15. ♙d2 ♙d6 16. ♗f2
 ♗d7 17. ♗af1 ♗ae8 18. ♙g5 f6
 19. ♙h5 g6

19....♘g6 with the idea of ♘f4 is inter-
 esting.

20. ♙h6 ♘c8 21. ♗e2 ♙e7 22. ♙h4
 ♙g7

Another possibility is 22...f5.

23. ♗g4 ♗g4 24. ♙g4 ♗h8 25. h4
 ♘d6 26. h5 ♘c4 27. hg6 ♘e3



28. ♙h4 f5

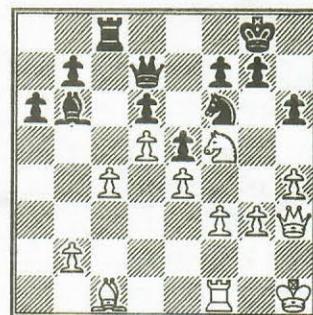
28....♘f1 fails to 29. ♘f5 followed by g7!

29. ♙e7 ♗e7 30. ♘f5 ♘f5 31. ♗f5
 ♗f5 32. g7 ♗g7 33. ♗f5 b6 34. ♗f2
 ♗g6 35. ♗e3 ♗g7 36. a4 ♗g6
 37. ♗d3 ♗g7 38. ♗c4 a6 39. d6 ♗d7
 40. ♗d5 1-0

McCarty - Kotlyazevsky, RUY LOPEZ

1. e4 e5 2. ♘f3 ♘c6 3. ♗b5 a6

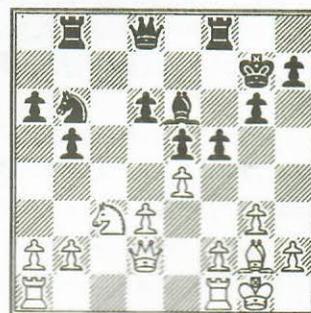
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 7. ♘bd2 0-0 8. ♘f1 ♗d7 9. ♘e3 ♙e8
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 ♘g6 13. ♘hf5 ♗e6 14. f3 ♙d7
 15. d4 ♗b3 16. ab3 ♙e6 17. d5 ♙d7
 18. g3 h6 19. ♙d2 ♘h7 20. h4 ♘e7
 21. ♙g2 ♘f5 22. ♘f5 c6 23. c4 cd5
 24. cd5 ♗b6 25. ♗h1 ♗fc8 26. ♗a4
 ♗c7 27. ♗c4 ♗c4 28. bc4 ♗c8
 29. ♙h3 ♘f6



30. ♘e7 ♙e7 31. ♙c8 ♗h7 32. g4
 ♘d7 33. g5 hg5 34. hg5 f6 35. ♗g2
 fg5 36. ♗h1 ♗g6 37. ♗h8 ♙f7
 38. ♙e8 ♙e8 39. ♗e8 ♗c5 40. ♗e7
 ♘f8 41. ♗b7 g4 42. b4 ♗d4 43. ♗d2
 1-0

Simon - Martinez - ENGLISH

1. c4 ♘f6 2. g3 g6 3. ♗g2 ♗g7
 4. ♘c3 0-0 5. e4 d6 6. d3 ♘bd7
 7. ♘ge2 a6 8. 0-0 ♗b8 9. ♘f4 e5
 10. ♘fd5 ♘d5 11. ♘d5 c6 12. ♘c3
 b5 13. cb5 cb5 14. ♗e3 ♘b6
 15. ♙d2 ♗e6 16. ♗h6 f5 17. ♗g7
 ♗g7



PREMIER SECTION

1	Alan Bast	1641	W27	W13	W10	D2	3.5
2	Steve Artis	1610	W28	W21	W11	D1	
3	Jon Zalevsky	1721	L11	W27	W19	W12	3.0
4	Randolph Schine	1643	W26	L25	W31	W20	
5	Gottfried Kessler	1637	W22	L12	W15	W16	
6	Norbert Martinez	1604	D14	W33	W20	D7	
7	Michael Fuchs	1565	W30	W15	D12	D6	
8	Michael Presutti	1700	L12	W14	W25	D10	2.5
9	Steven Grove	1655	L20	W22	W26	D11	
10	Charles Davis	1562	W31	W16	L1	D8	
11	Roland Mombelli	1530	W3	W23	L2	D9	
12	Allan Cunningham	1500	W8	W5	D7	L3	
13	Abraham Romo	1459	W24	L1	X--	D17	
14	Christopher Walker	1423	D6	L8	W33	W21	
15	Jay Shaeffer	1783	W25	L7	L5	W26	2.0
16	Ronald Rossi	1751	W35	L10	W18	L5	
17	Gene Strandberg	1647	U--	U--	W13	W27	
18	Robert Overdorff	1600	L21	W29	L16	W28	
19	J.C. MacNeil	1600	W29	L20	L3	W31	
20	Tobias Myers	1499	W9	W19	L6	L4	
21	Schuyler Marshall	1418	W18	L2	W24	L14	
22	Kenneth Dail	1429	L5	L9	D30	W33	1.5
23	Wendell Speers	1668	W32	L11	F--	U--	1.0
24	John Schultz	1645	L13	W28	L21	U--	
25	Emanuel Weiss	1559	L15	W4	L8	U--	
26	Bearheart Neuhaus	1453	L4	W30	L9	L15	
27	David Koewler	1430	L1	L3	W29	L17	
28	Jason Stoneking	1428	L2	L24	W32	L18	
29	James Scowden	1407	L19	L18	L27	W34	
30	Louis Berman	1401	L7	L26	D22	D32	
31	Anthea Carson	1370	L10	W32	L4	L19	
32	George Pletcher	1500	L23	L31	L28	D30	0.5
33	Stuart Simon	1249	H--	L6	L14	L22	
34	Hilda Layne	842	U--	U--	U--	L29	0.0
35	David Baldwin	784	L16	U--	U--	U--	

18.f4 fe4 19.♗e4 ♖c8 20.fe5 de5 21.♖f8 ♗f8 22.♖f1 ♗d8 23.♗h1 ♗f5 24.b3 ♖c7 25.h3 ♗d7 26.g4 ♗e4 27.♗e4 ♗c8 28.♗f2 ♗e7 29.g5 ♗d6 30.♗f6 ♗f6 31.gf6 ♗f8 32.b4

The upcoming rook and pawn ending is much better for black. White must try to keep his bishop. An idea would be 32.♗d5 ♖c3 33.♖d1 ♗e8 34.♖f1 ♖d3 35.♗e6.

32....♗e4 33.de4 ♖c4 34.♖d1 ♖b4

35.♖e1

White should strive to create threats on Black's pawns if he is to have any drawing chances. 35.♖d7 is best.

35....♗f7 36.♖e2 ♗f6 37.h4 a5 38.♗h2 a4 39.♗h3 ♖c4 40.♖b2 b4 41.♖f2 ♗e6 42.♖e2 ♗d6 43.♗g4 h6 44.h5 gh5 45.♗h5 ♗c5 46.♗h6 ♗d4 47.♗g6 ♗d3 48.♖e1 ♖e4 0-1

Cunningham - Kessler, SICILIAN

1.e4 c5 2.d4 cd4 3.c3 ♗c6 4.♗f3

d6 5.♗d4 ♗f6 6.♗c6 bc6 7.♗d3 a5 8.0-0 e5 9.h3 ♗e7 10.♗e2 ♗d7 11.♗e3 d5 12.♖d1 ♗g5 13.♗d2 ♗e3 14.♗e3 ♗a6 15.♗f3 f6 16.ed5 cd5 17.♗a6 ♖a6 18.♖d5 0-0 19.♖ad1 ♖f7 20.♗d3 ♖a7 21.♗b5 ♗c7 22.b3 g6 23.c4 ♗g7 24.♗h2 f5 25.♗f3 ♖e7 26.♗g5 ♗f6 27.h4 h6 28.♖d6 ♗g7 29.♗e6 ♖e6 30.♖d7 ♖e7 31.♖c7 ♖ac7 32.♗a5 ♖a7 33.♗c5 ♖ac7 34.♗e3 f4 35.♗e4 ♖a7 36.♖d6 1-0

Mombelli - Grove, PIRC

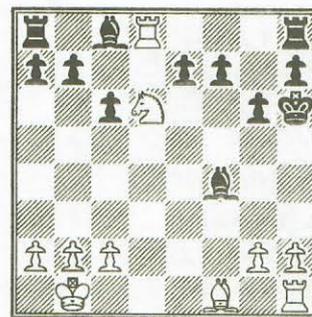
1.e4 d6 2.d4 ♗f6 3.♗c3 g6 4.♗g5 ♗g7 5.♗f3 ♗bd7 6.e5 de5 7.de5 ♗g4 8.♗f4

8.e6!? would liven things up a bit.

8....♗ge5 9.♗e5 ♗e5 10.♗d8 ♗d8 11.0-0-0 ♗e8 12.♗e5

12.♗b5 ♗h6 13.♗b1 ♗f3 14.♗c7 ♗f8 15.♗a8 ♗d2 16.♗a1 ♗g4 17.f3 would leave White with the better position.

12....♗e5 13.♗d5?! c6 14.f4 ♗d6 15.♗f6 ♗f8 16.♗b1 ♗f4 17.♖d8 ♗g7 18.♗e8 ♗h6 19.♗d6



19....♗e6?!

Black wins with 19....♖d8 20.♗f7 ♗g7 21.♗d8 ♗c7.

20.♖h8 ♖h8 21.♗b7 ♖b8 22.♗c5 ♗d5?!

22....♖d8 threatening mate would avoid White's tactical shot.

23.c4! ♗e6 24.♗e6 fe6 25.g3 ♗e5 26.b3 ♗d4 27.♗g2 c5 28.♖f1 ♗g7 1/2-1/2

Presutti - Cunningham,
KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE

1.d4 e6 2.c4 g6 3.g3 d7 4.dg2
0-0 5.f3 d6 6.0-0 c6 7.f3 e6
8.e4 e5 9.h3 e8 10.e1 c7
11.e3 b8

Black loses a pawn here. White could prepare b5 by playing a6.

12.de5 de5 13.a7 a8 14.e3
b6 15.e2 a6 16.b3 f8 17.c2
e8 18.d2 b7 19.ead1 b4
20.e1 c5 21.f3

White gets a nice game after 21.d8 d8
22.d3 d3 23.d3. The text weakens the kingside unnecessarily.

21...e6

21...h5!?

22.d8 d8 23.d8 d8 24.d3
d6?!

24...d4 is very strong here!

25.d1 c7 26.b4 c5 27.b5
e7 28.d6 d6 29.b5 d4 30.g4
d7 31.d2 f6 32.h1 c8
33.d5 b7 34.h2 a8 35.f2

e6 36.d3 g7 37.d1 h6
38.e3 b7 39.c3 d6 40.d2
a8? 41.h6 h7 42.d5 g8
43.d5 f6 44.e3 g5 45.h4 d5
46.cd5 gh4 47.h3 b5 48.h4
d4 49.g3 b5 50.f1 b4 51.c4
f8 52.h2 g6 53.h5 g7
54.g5 f5 55.g6? f4 56.g2 fe3
57.h7 f6 58.d6 e6 59.e6
e6 60.f7

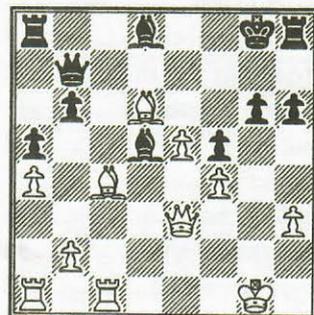
The position has been quite complicated for the last few moves. Here, d7 still keeps the pressure on Black. For example, 60...d8 61.f7 d6 62.d5 c7 63.c5 d7 64.d5 c7 65.c5 b7 66.b4 b6 67.b6 b6 68.f1. The text concedes the game.

60...f7 61.g7 f7 62.f4 ef4
63.e5 e6 64.f3 c4 0-1

Romo - Schultz, FRENCH DEFENSE

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 c6
5.f3 b6 6.d3 d7 7.dc5 c5
8.0-0 h6 9.h3 d8 10.a4 a5
11.b2 d6 12.b3 e7 13.e3

c7 14.b4 d7 15.d2 g8
16.f1 c6 17.b5 b8 18.b6
d8 19.d6 f8 20.f4 f5
21.c5 ce7 22.d4 b6 23.a3
h6 24.b5 c7 25.g4 g8
26.g5 hf5 27.f5 f5 28.f5
ef5 29.d6 b7 30.d3 g6 31.c4
e6 32.h6 g7 33.e3 h6 34.f4
b7 35.cd5 d5 36.c4



36...g5? 37.f3!

Very nice! These types of pins are not easy to find.

37...a7 38.d5 g7 39.b3
b5 40.h2 1-0

RESERVE SECTION

1	Wayne Langley	1313	W15	W7	W5	W6	4.0
2	Richard Roberts	1342	W14	L5	W18	W8	3.0
3	Joshua Spitz	1294	W19	L8	W22	W17	
4	Pat Bruno	1225	W24	L11	W23	W12	
5	Terry Griffin	1217	B--	W2	L1	W13	
6	George Spentzos	Unr	W10	W12	W11	L1	
7	Clint Silva	1173	W25	L1	W24	W11	
8	Dan Southard	1110	W26	W3	W13	L2	
9	Jason Sallee	1034	X--	D18	L12	W19	2.5
10	John Moore	996	L6	W14	D20	W18	
11	John Brewster	1361	W21	W4	L6	L7	2.0
12	Zach Gusky	1299	W16	L6	W9	L4	
13	Isaac Garcia	1282	W22	W17	L8	L5	
14	Matthew Jennings	1158	L2	L10	X--	W20	
15	Brent Truskowski	1150	L1	L24	W25	W22	
16	Moses Lopez	1094	L12	W25	L17	W23	
17	David Baldwin	784	B--	L13	W16	L3	
18	Matthew Flowers	1284	W20	D9	L2	L10	1.5
19	Santos Sanchez	1062	L3	D26	W21	L9	
20	Alexander White	1056	L18	X--	D10	L14	

Silva - Langley, FRENCH

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 c6
5.f3 b6 6.b3 cd4 7.cd4 ge7
8.e3 f5 9.c3 e3 10.fe3 b4
11.d2 0-0 12.a3 a5 13.c1 c3
14.c3 a3 15.e2 d7 16.0-0
h6 17.b1 e7 18.b5 f8
19.bc1 c7 20.c6 c6 21.c6
c6 22.a5 b6 23.a6 b7
24.d3 d7 25.c3 c8 26.c2
c6 27.c6 c6 28.c6 c6
29.f2 f8 30.e1 e7 31.d2
a5 32.c3 d7 33.d2 c7
34.b1 b5 35.d2 b4 36.c2 b6
37.b2 a4 38.ba4 a4 39.g3 b5
40.b3 c4 41.c1 d1 42.h3
g5 43.h4 gh4 44.g4 f3 45.a2
d3 46.b4 e3 47.c3 f4
48.c6 g4 49.d8 h4 50.f7
h5 51.d8 g4 52.d2 g3
53.e1 g2 54.d2 h4 55.e3

21	George Bajuscik	1172	L11	L22	L19	W24	1.0
22	Chris Born.....	1044	L13	W21	L3	L15	
23	Eric Van Laethem.....	Unr	H--	H--	L4	L16	
24	Thanh Higgin	Unr	L4	W15	L7	L21	
25	Hilda Layne.....	842	L7	L16	L15	B--	
26	Mike Schnieder	Unr	L8	D19	F--	U--	0.5
27	Gilbert Chavez.....	1279	F--	F--	U--	U--	0.0

h3 56.♖f4 ♘f5 57.♗f7 h2 0-1

Brewster - Spentzos, CARO-KANN

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.ed5 cd5 4.c4 e6
 5.♗f3 ♗f6 6.♗c3 ♗c6 7.a3 ♘e7
 8.♘d3 0-0 9.0-0 b6 10.♘f4 ♘b7
 11.♖e1 ♘d6 12.♙d2 ♘f4 13.♙f4
 dc4 14.♘c4 ♗e7 15.♗e5 ♗ed5
 16.♙h4 ♗c3 17.bc3 ♘d5 18.♘d3
 ♖c8 19.♗g4 h6 20.♗f6 ♙f6
 21.♙f6 gf6 22.♖ac1 ♘c4 23.♖e3
 ♖fe8 24.♘c4 ♖c4 25.d5 ♗f8 26.d6
 ♖d8 27.♖d1 ♖c6 28.♖ed3 ♖c4
 29.♖h3 ♗g7 30.♖dd3 ♖c5 31.♖h4
 ♖d5 32.♖hd4 ♖d4 33.♖d4 ♗f8
 34.g3 ♗e8 35.♗g2 ♗d7 36.♗f3
 ♖c8 37.♖d3 f5 38.♗e3 ♖c4 39.f4
 ♖a4 40.c4 ♖c4 41.♖d4?

White must retain his rook if he is to have any drawing chances.

41....♖c3 42.♖d3 ♖d3 43.♗d3 ♗d6 44.♗c4 a6 0-1

Moore - M. Flowers, FOUR KNIGHTS

1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗f6 3.♗c3 ♗c6
 4.♘c4 ♘e7 5.0-0 0-0 6.d3 d6
 7.♘g5 ♖e8 8.♙d2 ♘d7 9.♖ad1
 ♗a5 10.♘d5 ♙c8 11.♘h4 ♗d5
 12.♗d5 ♘h4 13.♗h4 ♗c6 14.♙g5
 ♖e6

14....h6 is simple and good.

15.f4

15.♗f5 is better since it creates threats at g7, e7 and c7.

15....ef4 16.♖f4

16.♗f5 would still work here.

16....♖e5

17.♗f6

The following two knight sacrifice is unsound but quite interesting.

17....♗h8 18.♗g6 fg6 19.♙h4 gf6

Black can repel White's attack with 19....h6 with the idea of g5.

20.♖df1

White's best here may be to play 20.♙f6 ♗g8 21.♙f7 ♗h8 22.♙f6 with a draw.

20....♙g8?

20....g5 would wrap things up for Black.

21.♖f6 ♖ee8 22.♖f7 ♘e6?

Black may still hold on after 22....g5 23.♙f2 ♙g6 24.♖d7 ♖e7 25.♖e7 ♗e7.

23.♙f6 1-0

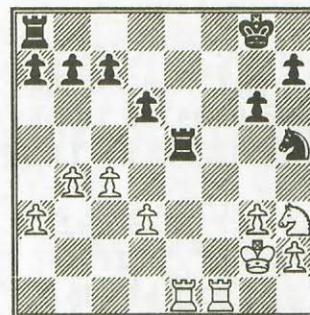
J. Sallee - S. Sanchez, PHILIDOR

1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 d6 3.♘c4 ♘e7
 4.♗c3 ♗f6 5.0-0 c6 6.d3 d5 7.ed5
 cd5 8.♘b5 ♘d7 9.♗e5 ♘b5
 10.♗b5 a6 11.♗c3 ♙d6 12.♖e1
 0-0 13.d4 ♗c6 14.♗c6 bc6 15.♘f4
 ♙f4 16.♖e7 ♖fe8 17.♖e8 ♖e8
 18.♗e2 ♙e4 19.♗f1 ♗g4 20.♗g3
 ♗h2 21.♗g1 ♙h4 22.♙d2 ♗g4
 23.♗f1 ♖e6 24.♖e1 ♖e1 25.♙e1
 g6 26.b3 a5 27.a4 ♗f8 28.b4 ab4
 29.a5 ♙d8 30.♙b4 ♗g7 31.♗h2
 ♗h2 32.♗h2 ♙g5 33.a6 ♙h5
 34.♗g1 ♙d1 35.♗h2 ♙h5 36.♗g3

♙g5 37.♗f3 ♙f5 38.♗e3 ♙e6
 39.♗d2 ♙f5 40.a7 ♙f2 41.♗c1
 ♙f1 42.♗b2 ♙a6 43.♙b8 ♙a4
 44.c3 ♙d1 45.a8(♙) ♙d2 46.♗b3
 ♙d1 47.♗a3 ♙a1 48.♗b4 ♙b2
 49.♗c5 ♙c3 50.♗d6 ♙g3 51.♗c6
 ♙c3 52.♗d5 ♙c2 53.♙f8 ♗f6
 54.♙ad8 ♗f5 55.♙f7 ♗g4 56.♙f3#

Truskowski - Born, ENGLISH

1.c4 g6 2.♗c3 ♘g7 3.g3 ♗f6
 4.♘g2 0-0 5.e4 ♗c6 6.♗f3 e5
 7.0-0 d6 8.d3 ♘d7 9.a3 ♙c8 10.b4
 ♘g4 11.♘e3 ♖e8 12.♙d2 ♘h3
 13.♗d5 ♗h5 14.♗g5 ♘g2 15.♗g2
 ♗e7 16.♗e7 ♖e7 17.♗h3 f5 18.ef5
 ♙f5 19.f4 ♘h6 20.fe5 ♘e3 21.♙e3
 ♙e5 22.♙e5 ♖e5 23.♖ae1



23....♖d8?

23....♖ae8 is much better.

24.d4 ♖e1 25.♖e1 c6 26.♖e7 ♖b8
 27.♗g5 h6 28.♗f7 ♗f8 29.♖c7
 ♗g7 30.♗d6 ♗f6 31.♗b7 ♗f5
 32.♗c5 ♗g3 33.hg3 ♖h8 34.♖c6
 h5 35.♗d3 h4 36.♗f2 g5 37.g4
 ♗f4 38.♗h3 ♗g4 39.d5 ♗f5
 40.♖e6 g4 41.c5 ♖d8 42.♖h6 gh3
 43.♗h3 ♖d5 44.♖h5 ♗e6 45.♖d5
 ♗d5 46.♗h4 ♗c6 47.♗g4 a5
 48.♗f4 ab4 49.ab4 ♗c7 50.♗e4
 ♗c8 51.♗d5 ♗b8 52.c6 ♗c7 53.b5
 ♗c8 54.b6 ♗b8 55.♗d6 ♗c8 56.c7
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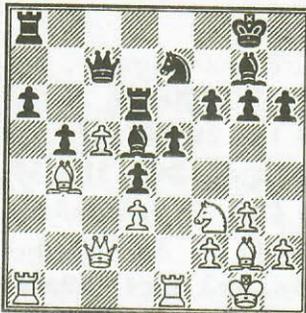
Chess Tidbits

by Chris Brunt

Earlier this year, a close friend of mine, Jim Burden, won his first game against a GM. Since this win, Jim has beaten and more commonly drawn many IM's and GM's. Recently, he met David Bronstein and had his Zurich 1953 autographed. Jim is also a past 3-time winner of the Colorado Springs Chess Club City Championship! The following game was played in Iceland at G30.

Jim Burden - Hanas Steffanson
KING'S INDIAN ATTACK

1. d4 f6 2. g3 g6 3. g2 g7 4. d3 e5 5. 0-0 e7 6. e4 0-0 7. c3 c6 8. e1 d6 9. ed5 cd5 10. b5 b6 11. c4 c6 12. e3 d4 13. g5 f6 14. d2 a6 15. d6 e6 16. b1 h6 17. b4 c7 18. c5 a2 19. b2 d5 20. c2 b5 21. b1 fd8 22. a1 b4 23. b4 d6



24. cd6 c2 25. de7 c6 26. d4 b7 27. d5 d5 28. a6 f7 29. d6 d4 30. d4 ed4 31. a5 e8 32. b4 d7 33. c1 b8 34. a1 e8 35. a6 f7 36. a7 e8 37. a6 g5 38. g4 f5 39. gf5 f7 40. g2 f6 41. e6 e8 42. f3 e7 43. e7 e7 44. b6 e5 45. g4 e2 46. f3 g2 47. h3 d2 48. g4 b4 49. g5 d3 50. h7 e8 51. b7 b3 52. f6 b1 53. f7 f8 54. f6 1-0

These next two games have no real chess value, however, they are funny! In the game against Chris Baughman I should have lost. Keith Oxman just mixed openings and played the dubious Elbert Defense to the Blackmar-Diemer Gambit in the other game.

Baughman - Brunt, PAWN STORM

This game was played at an old Wendy's tournament in Denver on 10/10/92.

1. d4 f6 2. f3 e6 3. e4 c5 4. e5 d5 5. c4 b4 6. a3 c6 7. dc5 e5 8. f4 c5 9. b4 b6 10. c5 c7 11. fe5

White has made an incredible 11 pawn moves in the opening 11 moves!

11... h4 12. e2 e5 13. f3 e4 14. e3 a1 15. bd2 g6 16. a1 c6 17. b5 e7 18. e5 c2 19. d4 0-0 20. g4 d5 21. g2 c3 22. f2 b5 0-1

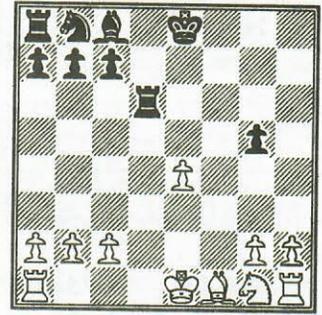
White definitely has the making of a strong mating attack, but his flag fell shortly after this move! (G30).

Brunt - Oxman,

BLACKMAR-DIEMER GAMBIT

1. d4 f6 2. c3 d5 3. e4 de4 4. f3 e5 5. de5 d1 6. d1 fd7 7. d5 d8 8. g5 f6 9. ef6 gf6 10. f6 h6 11. d7 hg5 12. e5 e8 13. fe4

d6 14. c4 h6 15. d6 d6 16. e1



This was a (G60) played at Keith's house on 10/9/94. The position was so funny that it was all I could do to stop from laughing at the board. What makes the position incredible is that after so much action all of the pieces except the rook at d6 and the pawns on e4 and g5 are on their original squares! White went on to win the ending due to his extra pawns.

Here is the original game that may have inspired Chris Baughman in my game against him.

Frank Marshall - H. Rogosin
New York, 1940

Marshall C.C. Championship

1. e4 c5 2. b4 cb4 3. a3 c6 4. ab4 f6 5. b5 d4 6. c3 e6 7. e5 d5 8. c4 f4 9. g3 g6 10. f4 gf4 11. gf4 f4 12. d4 g6 13. h4 e6 14. h5 b4 15. d2 d2 16. b2 e7 17. e4 f5 18. h6 g6 19. f6 f8 20. f3 d6 21. g5 de5 22. de5 d1 23. d1 e7 24. h3 b6 25. g2 b8 26. gh7 1-0

Rocky Mountain News Colorado Chess Column

The Colorado Chess column appears the first Monday of every month in the Spotlight Section of the Rocky Mountain News. Starting in November, a demonstration board will be included with segments of games & positions from local tournaments.

If you have any brilliant piece sacrifices or instructional themes (such as outside passed pawn, controlling the center, etc.) that may be useful to the novice player please contact Todd Bardwick at 364-8266. Tournament winners and local news will still be featured in the column.

Letters to the editor of the Rocky Mountain News expressing support for the column are appreciated.

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OPEN SECTION

1	Ron Dieke	2118	W17	W11	W8	D3	3.5
2	Arkady Kotlarevsky	(2200)	D6	D14	W11	W9	3.0
3	Mark Schlagenhauf	2117	W12	D5	W9	D1	
4	David Hansen	2062	W16	L8	W12	W7	
5	Joel Senger	1984	D14	D3	W13	W8	
6	Daoud Zupa	1950	D2	W15	L7	W10	2.5
7	Brad Lundstrom	2124	W15	L9	W6	L4	2.0
8	Richard Buchanan	2124	W10	W4	L1	L5	
9	Jon Revusky	2100	W13	W7	L3	L2	
10	Don Labenki	1814	L8	W16	W14	L6	
11	Jay Shaeffer	1783	Bye	L1	L2	W14	
12	David Helt	1762	L3	W17	L4	W13	
13	Robert Holland	1656	L9	Bye	L5	L12	1.0
14	Matthew DeElena	1649	D5	D2	L10	L11	
15	Peter Daw	1900	L7	L6	--	--	0.0
16	Michael Presutti	1700	L4	L10	--	--	
17	Steve Artis	1610	L1	L12	--	--	

Lundstrom - Zupa

1.e4 c5 2.♟f3 ♘c6 3.d4 cxd4
4.♞xd4 ♟f6 5.♟c3 e5 6.♞db5 d6
7.♞g5 a6 8.♞xf6 gxf6 9.♟a3 b5
10.♞d5 ♞g7 11.♞d3 0-0 12.0-0
♞e7 13.♞h5 f5 14.♞xe7+ ♞xe7
15.exf5 e4 16.♞ae1 d5 17.f6 ♞xf6
18.♞xe4 dxe4 19.♞xe4 h6 20.♞xa8
♞xb2 21.♞f3 ♞e6 22.♞e4 ♞d8
23.♞e1 ♞c3 24.♞g3+ ♞f8 25.♞h4
♞c8 26.♞xb6+ ♞g7 27.♞e3 ♞c3
28.♞b6 ♞f6 29.♞b1 ♞c4 30.♞d3
♞g4 31.h3 ♞g5 32.g4 ♞b4 33.c3 ♞f4
34.♞e3 ♞e5 35.♞d2 ♞c7 36.♞xa6
♞d5 37.♞f3 ♞d6 38.♞d4 ♞xg4
39.♞a8+ ♞g7 40.♞xd5 ♞h2+
41.♞f1 ♞f4 42.♞g2 1-0

Hansen - Lundstrom

1.♟f3 ♟f6 2.c4 g6 3.♟c3 ♞g7 4.d4
0-0 5.e4 d6 6.♞e2 ♞bd7 7.0-0 e5
8.d5 ♟c5 9.♞c2 a5 10.♞e3 b6
11.♞d2 ♞e8 12.a3 a4 13.♞xc5 bxc5

14.♞xa4 f5 15.b4 ♞d7 16.♟c3 cxb4
17.axb4 ♞b8 18.c5 ♞xb4 19.c6 ♞c8
20.♞a8 fxe4 21.♞a6 ♞h4 22.♞xc8
♟f6 23.♞e6+ ♞h8 24.♞xf8+ ♞xf8
25.g3 ♞h5 26.♞cxe4 ♞g4 27.h4
♞e7 28.♞c3 ♞xh4 29.♞xb4 ♞xg3
30.♞b8+ 1-0

Zupa - Daw

1.c4 ♟f6 2.g3 g6 3.♞g2 ♞g7
4.♟c3 0-0 5.e3 c6 6.d4 d5 7.b3 ♞f5
8.♟f3 ♟e4 9.♞xe4 ♞xe4 10.0-0
♞d7 11.♞b2 b5 12.c5 a5 13.♟e5
♞xe5 14.♞xe4 ♞d7 15.♞g2 f5
16.f3 ♟f6 17.♞c2 ♞d7 18.a4 b4
19.♞f2 ♞ad8 20.♞d1 ♞h6 21.♞e2
♞f7 22.♞h3 e6 23.♞d3 ♞c8 24.♞g2
♞e8 25.♞de1 ♞ff8 26.e4 fxe4
27.fxe4 dxe4 28.♞xe4 ♞xe4
29.♞xe4 ♞e7 30.♞c4 ♞fe8 31.♞h4
♞g7 32.♞c1 ♞f6 33.♞he4 ♞d7
34.♞f4 ♞d5 35.♞d6 ♞xc4 36.bxc4
♞b7 37.d5 cxd5 38.cxd5 e5 39.c6 1-0

DeElena - Kotlyarevsky

1.d4 ♟f6 2.c4 e6 3.♟c3 ♞b4
4.♞g5 c5 5.d5 h6 6.♞h4 ♞xc3+
7.bxc3 d6 8.e3 e5 9.♞d3 ♞bd7
10.♟e2 e4 11.♞c2 ♞e7 12.0-0 g5
13.♞g3 ♟e5 14.♞xe5 ♞xe5 15.♞d2
♞g4 16.♞a4+ ♞f8 17.♞ab1 b6
18.♞c6 ♞c8 19.♟g3 ♞g8 20.a4 h5
21.h3 ♞f5 22.a5 h4 23.♞xf5 ♞xf5
24.axb6 axb6 25.g4 hxg3 26.fxg3
♞e5 27.♞f2 ♞g6 28.♞xb6 ♞g7
29.♞d7 ♞a8 30.♞g2 ♞xd7
31.♞xf7+ ♞h6 32.♞xd7 ♞a2+
33.♞f2 ♞xf2+ 34.♞xf2 ♞f6+ 35.♞g2
♞xc3 36.♞xd6 ♞d2+ 37.♞h1 ♞e1+
38.♞h2 ♞f2+ This was a well played
game by Matt considering his opponent
is master strength! ½-½

Revusky - Kotlyarevsky

1.e4 e5 2.♟f3 ♟c6 3.♞b5 a6
4.♞a4 ♟f6 5.0-0 ♞e7 6.♞e1 b5
7.♞b3 0-0 8.c3 d6 9.h3 ♟a5 10.♞c2
c6 11.d3 ♞c7 12.♞bd2 ♞e8 13.a3
♞f8 14.b4 ♟b7 15.♞b2 a5 16.d4
♞d7 17.♞b3 ♞d8 18.c4 axb4
19.axb4 ♞xa1 20.♞xa1 exd4
21.cxb5 c5 22.♞a5 ♞b8 23.♞a1
♟b6 24.♟c4 ♟xc4 25.♞xc4 ♟b7
26.♞d5 ♞xd5 27.exd5 ♞e7 28.♞a8
♞b7 29.♞xb8 ♞xb8 30.♞a5 f6
31.♞f1 ♟f7 32.♞d2 ♟e5 33.♞e2
♞e8 34.♞a3 cxb4 35.♞xb4 ♟c6+
36.♞d3 ♟xb4+ 37.♞xd4 ♞b8
38.♟c4 ♞e7 39.b6 ♞d8 40.♞b5
♟a6 41.♞xd6 ♞xb6 42.♞xb6
♞xb6+ 43.♞c4 ♞xf2 44.♞b5 ♟b8
45.♟e4 ♞e3 46.♟c5 ♞xc5 47.♞xc5
♟f7 48.♞d6 ♞e8 0-1

Helt - Schlagenhauf

1.d4 g6 2.c4 ♞g7 3.♟f3 d6 4.♟c3
♟f6 5.♞g5 h6 6.♞h4 0-0 7.e3 c5
8.dxc5 dxc5 9.♞c2 ♟c6 10.a3 ♞f5
11.e4 ♞g4 12.♞e2 ♞xf3 13.♞xf3
♟d4 14.♞d3 ♞b6 15.0-0 g5 16.♞g3
e6 17.e5 ♟d7 18.♞fe1 ♞c7 19.♞e4
♟c6 20.♞d1 ♟dxe5 21.f4 gxf4
22.♞xf4 ♞d7 23.♞a4 ♞d4+
24.♞xd4 cxd4 25.♞xc6 ♟xc6

26. ♣b5 ♠fd8 27. ♠ad1 ♠d7 28. b4 e5
 29. ♠d2 a6 30. ♠xd4 ♠xd4 31. b5
 axb5 32. ♣xb5 ♠a7 33. b6 ♠c6
 34. ♣f2 ♠xa3 35. ♠c1 ♠b3 36. ♠xd4
 ♠xd4 37. ♠e4 ♠xb6 38. ♠h4 ♠c6
 39. ♠e3 ♠c2+ 40. ♣g3 ♠f5+ 0-1

Zupa - Labencki

1. c4 ♠f6 2. g3 e6 3. ♠f3 d5 4. ♠g2
 c5 5. 0-0 ♠c6 6. b3 d4 7. e3 d3 8. ♠c3
 ♠b4 9. ♠b2 ♠c2 10. ♠c1 g6 11. ♠e5
 ♠b4 12. f4 ♠g7 13. ♠a4 ♠xa2
 14. ♠a1 ♠b4 15. ♠xc5 ♠c2 16. ♠a4
 ♠b6 17. ♠xcd3 ♠xb3 18. ♠a5 ♠b6
 19. ♠b5 ♠xe3 20. ♠a4 ♠d8
 21. ♠xb7+ ♠d7 22. ♠xd7 ♠xd7
 23. ♠xd7 ♠xd7 24. ♠c6 ♠xc6
 25. ♠xc6+ ♠e7 26. ♠b7+ 1-0

Labencki - Buchanan

1. e4 e5 2. ♠f3 ♠c6 3. ♠c4 ♠c5 4. c3
 ♠f6 5. d4 exd4 6. cxd4 ♠b4+ 7. ♠c3

♠xe4 8. 0-0 ♠xc3 9. bxc3 d5 10. ♠e1
 0-0 11. ♠d3 ♠f5 12. ♠c2 ♠f6
 13. ♠b1 ♠ab8 14. ♠f4 ♠fc8 15. c4
 ♠xd4 16. ♠xd4 ♠xd4 17. cxd5 ♠xf2
 18. ♠xf5 ♠g4+ 19. ♠h1 ♠xf4
 20. ♠xg4 ♠xg4 21. ♠e7 ♠g6 22. ♠b3
 ♠d6 23. ♠bel h6 24. ♠f3 ♠f8 25. ♠c3
 ♠xd5 26. ♠xc7 ♠xa2 27. h3 ♠d5
 28. ♠ee7 a5 29. ♠e5 ♠d1+ 30. ♠e1
 ♠d8 31. ♠ee7 a4 32. ♠ed7 ♠g5
 33. ♠xb7 ♠xb7 34. ♠xb7 ♠a8 35. ♠c4
 ♠f6 36. ♠b4 a3 37. ♠a2 ♠d6 38. ♠b3
 ♠d1+ 39. ♠h2 ♠xb3 40. ♠xb3 a2 0-1

Deike - Buchanan

1. c4 ♠f6 2. ♠c3 g6 3. e4 c5 4. g3
 ♠c6 5. ♠g2 ♠g7 6. ♠ge2 d6 7. d3 0-
 0 8. 0-0 a6 9. ♠b1 ♠b8 10. a4 ♠d7
 11. h3 ♠e8 12. ♠e3 ♠c7 13. d4 cxd4
 14. ♠xd4 ♠e6 15. ♠xe6 fxe6 16. ♠d2
 ♠a5 17. c5 ♠e5 18. b4 ♠c7 19. ♠e2
 b5 20. axb5 axb5 21. ♠bc1 ♠c4

22. ♠f4 ♠c6 23. ♠fd1 e5 24. cxd6
 exd6 25. ♠g5 ♠f7 26. ♠d5 ♠xd5
 27. ♠xd5 h6 28. ♠d2 ♠h7 29. ♠e1
 ♠f6 30. ♠f3 ♠g5 31. ♠xf7+ ♠xf7
 32. ♠a1 ♠c7 33. ♠f1 ♠e7 34. ♠c1
 ♠g7 35. ♠xc4 bxc4 36. ♠c3 ♠f7
 37. ♠a1 ♠bb7 38. ♠f1 ♠a7 39. ♠da5
 ♠ab7 40. ♠d5 ♠a7 41. ♠xa7 ♠xa7
 42. ♠a5 ♠b7 43. ♠e2 ♠e6 44. ♠a6 g5
 45. ♠d1 ♠d7 46. ♠c2 ♠d8 47. ♠d2
 ♠b6 48. f4 gxf4 49. gxf4 h5 50. ♠c3
 ♠d4+ 51. ♠xc4 ♠c7+ 52. ♠d5 ♠c2
 53. ♠xd6+ ♠c7 54. ♠e1 ♠e2 55. fxe5
 ♠xe5 56. ♠xe5 ♠xe1 57. ♠h6 ♠b1
 58. ♠xh5 ♠xb4 59. ♠h7+ ♠d8
 60. ♠f5 ♠e8 61. ♠h4 ♠b6 62. e5 ♠a6
 63. ♠e4 ♠e7 64. e6 ♠a3 65. h4 ♠f3+
 66. ♠g4 ♠f6 67. ♠g5 ♠f1 68. h5 ♠g1+
 69. ♠h6 ♠g2 70. ♠e5 ♠g1 71. ♠g5
 ♠e1 72. ♠g6 ♠e5 73. ♠g5 ♠xe6+
 74. ♠g7 ♠d7 75. ♠d5+ ♠e7 76. h6
 ♠e1 77. ♠g5 1-0

RESERVE SECTION

1	Alan Bast	1641	W10	W6	W13	W5	4.0
2	David Barbour	1680	W20	D19	W9	W7	3.5
3	Todias Myers	1499	W17	L14	W21	W13	3.0
4	Abraham Romo	1459	L16	W27	W15	W14	
5	Charles Martin	1444	W22	W21	W14	L1	
6	Christopher Walker	1423	W18	L1	W16	W12	
7	John Bales	1631	D25	W16	W19	L2	2.5
8	Derald Jones	1570	L11	W17	W20	D10	
9	Michael Fuchs	1565	Bye	W25	L2	W19	
10	Andrew Pineda	1458	L1	W22	W18	D8	
11	Stuart Simon	1249	W8	Bye	L12	W20	
12	Jon Rietfors	1532	W15	L13	W11	L6	2.0
13	Jim Scowden	1407	W27	W12	L1	L3	
14	Anthea Carson	1370	W24	W3	L5	L4	
15	Pat Bruno	1225	L12	W24	L4	W22	
16	Charles Cogar	1193	W4	L7	L6	W23	
17	Nancy Naples	1144	L3	L8	W25	W21	
18	Jason Eric Sallee	1034	L6	Bye	L10	W25	
19	Jason Stoneking	1428	W23	D2	L7	L9	1.5
20	Josh Spitz	1294	L2	W23	L8	L11	1.0
21	Thomas Vassell	1242	W26	L5	L3	L17	
22	Moses Lopez	1094	L5	L10	W24	L15	
23	Cory Magnuson	1077	L19	L20	W27	L16	
24	T. Higgins	Unr	L14	L15	L22	W27	
25	Isaac Garcia	1282	D7	L9	L17	L18	0.5
26	Richard Moore	1546	L21	-	-	-	0.0
27	Judith Bergman	1173	L13	L4	L23	L24	

Carson - Martin

1. d4 d6 2. e3 ♠f6 3. ♠d2 ♠c6 4. c3
 e5 5. ♠d3 d5 6. c4 ♠e6 7. f3 exd4
 8. e4 dxe4 9. fxe4 ♠d6 10. ♠gf3 ♠f4
 11. b4 ♠e3 12. b5 ♠b4 13. ♠e5 ♠d6
 14. ♠df3 ♠d8 15. ♠a4 0-0 16. ♠a3
 ♠xd3+ 17. ♠xd3 ♠d7 18. ♠fe5 ♠c8
 19. ♠xf8 ♠xf8 20. ♠xa7 ♠xe4 21. c5
 ♠d2+ 22. ♠d1 ♠g4+ 23. ♠c2 ♠c3
 24. ♠ab1 ♠f5 25. b6 ♠f2 26. ♠hf1
 ♠xd3+ 27. ♠xd3 ♠e4 28. bxc7 ♠g4
 29. ♠f4 ♠f5 30. ♠d3 ♠g6 31. ♠xb7
 ♠xc5 32. ♠f3 ♠a6 33. ♠b7 ♠b4+
 34. ♠b3 ♠e6+ 0-1

Jones - Pineda

1. d4 ♠f6 2. ♠f3 g6 3. ♠bd2 d5 4. e3
 ♠g7 5. ♠d3 0-0 6. b3 c5 7. ♠b2 cxd4
 8. exd4 ♠c6 9. a3 ♠h5 10. 0-0 ♠f4
 11. ♠b5 a6 12. ♠xc6 bxc6 13. ♠e1
 ♠g4 14. h3 ♠f5 15. ♠f1 ♠c7 16. ♠e3
 ♠c8 17. ♠h2 c5 18. ♠b1 ♠b7 19. ♠f3
 ♠ad8 20. ♠g4 ♠fe8 21. ♠ge5 f6
 22. ♠d3 ♠xd3 23. ♠xd3 cxd4
 24. ♠xd4 e5 25. ♠e2 ♠c8 26. c3 ♠cd8
 27. ♠e3 ♠c6 28. f3 e4 29. ♠d4 ♠d7

30. Bbd1 f5 31. Ac1 h6 32. Ff2 Ee7
 33. f4 Af6 34. Bg1 Bg7 35. g4 Ah4+
 36. Ge2 a5 37. gxf5 gxf5 38. Bxg7+
 39. Bg1+ Gh7 40. Ge3 Bg8
 41. Bg1 Bxg1 42. Bxg1 Ff7 43. Ge3
 44. $\text{Bf1 } \frac{1}{2}\text{-}\frac{1}{2}$

Simon - Jones

1. c4 Af6 2. g3 g6 3. Ag2 Ag7
 4. Ac3 0-0 5. e4 d6 6. Ae2 e5 7. 0-0
 8. Ac6 8.d3 Ag4 9. Ad2 Ac8 10. Ad5
 11. Ah3 12. Axf6+ Axf6 13. Ac3 Ag2
 14. Ae2 15. h3 16. Ac3 Aa5 17. Ad1 f5 18. Ae2
 19. Ab6 20. Axd4 Axd4 21. Bb1 fxe4
 22. dxe4 Ae6 23. Ae2 Ag7 24. Bb3 Bf7
 25. Ae3 c5 26. Bbd1 Baf8 27. Ad2
 28. Axe3 29. Axe3 Bf3 30. Ad2 Axf6
 31. Bde1 g5 32. Bde1 h5 33. Bd3 Bxd3
 34. Axd3 g4 35. hgx4 hxg4 36. Ad5
 37. Bh8 38. Axb7+ Ag6 39. f3 Bh7
 40. Ac8 Bf7 41. Axb4+ 1-0

Salle - Walker

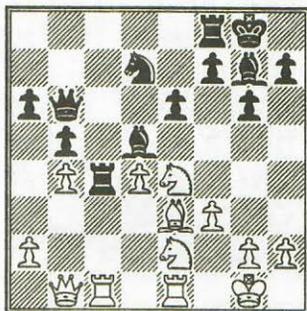
1. e4 e6 2. d3 c5 3. g3 d5 4. Ad2 Ac6
 5. Ag2 Af6 6. Agf3 Ad6 7. 0-0 0-0
 8. Be1 Bc7 9. b3 dxe4 10. Axe4 Axc4
 11. Bxe4 f5 12. Be2 Ad4 13. Axd4
 14. cxd4 15. Ab2 f4 16. Be4 fxe3
 17. hgx3 e5 18. Be1 Ae6 19. Axd4
 20. Bac8 21. Bc1 exd4 22. Bxe6 Aa3
 23. Ad5 Ah8 24. Bb1 Bxc2 25. Bxc2
 26. Bxc2 27. Bbe1 Bcf2 28. Be8 b6
 29. Bxf8+ Bxf8 30. Be7? Axc7 0-1

Bast - Walker

1. Af3 Af6 2. d4 d5 3. c4 e6 4. e3 c6
 5. Ac3 Abd7 6. Ae2 dxc4 7. Axc4 b5
 8. Ad3 Ad6 9. Bc2 Ab7 10. Ae4
 11. Ac7 12. Ad2 0-0 13. Ab4 Be8 14. 0-0
 15. Ad6 Axc4 16. Axc7 Bxc7 17. Axe4 h6
 18. d5 Af6 19. Bac1 20. Axc4 Axc4
 21. Axc4 Bxe7 22. Bd1 Bf8 23. Bd5 f6
 24. Ah4 Bb7 25. Af5 Bb8 26. h4 g6
 27. Axb6 Bh7 28. Ag4 Bxh4
 29. Axf6 Axf6 30. Bxf6+ Ag7
 31. Ba6 Bc8 32. Bxa7+ Ah6 33. g3
 34. Bb4 35. Bc1+ Ag2 36. e4 g4
 37. Ac6 g5+ 1-0

Reitfors - Scowden

1. d4 Af6 2. Af3 g6 3. e3 Ag7 4. c4
 5. d5 6. Ac3 b6 7. Ae2 0-0 8. 0-0
 9. Ad6 10. Ac3 b6 11. Ac3 cxd4
 12. exd4 Ac6 13. Ae2 Bc8 14. Be1
 15. dxc4 16. Aa4 Ab8 17. b3 b5 18. Aa3
 19. Ac3 20. Ab1 Ad5 21. Axd5 Bxd5
 22. Axb3 23. b4 Ad7 24. Axb3
 25. Ac6 26. Ae3 Ab7 27. f3 a6 28. Bac1
 29. Axb6 30. Ae4 Ad5 31. Axb1 Bc4



27. Ac5 Ad6 28. Bde1 Axc5
 29. dxc5 Ac6 30. Af4 Be8 31. Bd2
 32. Ac3 33. Bd3 Bxb4 34. Bc2 Ag7
 35. Ad2 Bb2 36. Bc2 Bb1+ 37. Bc1
 38. Bxc1+ 39. Bxc1 Ae5 40. Bc2 Bc8
 41. Ad2 Axf4 42. Axf4 Bxc5+ 43. Ae3
 44. Ac2 45. a3 Axd2 46. Axd2
 47. Ac2 48. Ab4 f5 49. Bd2 Bxd2
 50. Axd2 Bf7 51. Bf2 e5 52. g3 h5
 53. f4 e4 54. Ae3 Ae6 55. Ab4 Ac4
 56. Ac5 Ad5 57. Ab4 Ad3 58. Ae7
 59. a5 60. Af8 Ac4 61. Ad6 b4 62. axb4
 63. Ad2 b3 64. Aa3 Ad4 65. Ab2+
 66. Ac4 67. Ae3 Ad5 68. Ad2
 69. Ae6 70. Ac1 Bf7 71. Ac3 Ac2
 72. Ad2 Ag7 73. Ab2+ Ah6 74. Ae3
 75. h4 76. Bf2 Ah5 77. Ag2 g5 78. fxg5
 79. Bxg5 80. Bf2 Ag4 81. Ac1 Ah3
 82. Ab2 Ad1 83. Ae5 Ag4 84. g5gxh4
 85. Bxh4 86. Ae3 Ad1 87. Ag3+ Ag4
 88. Ae5 Ac2 89. Ad2 Bf3 90. h4 e3+
 91. Ae1 e2 92. h5 f4 93. h6 Ah7
 94. Ad4 Ae4 95. Ac3 Ad3 96. Af6
 97. f3 98. Bf2 Ad2 0-1

Pineda - Bast

1. d4 d5 2. c4 c6 3. Af3 dxc4 4. e3
 5. b5 6. a4 a6 7. b3 cxb3 8. axb5 Af6
 9. bxa6 Bb6 10. Ab2 Axa6 11. Abd2

12. 0-0 Ae7 13. Axb3 0-0 14. Aa3 Ab4 15. Ac4
 16. Afd5 17. Axd5 exd5 18. Bb3 Af5
 19. Axb4 Axb4 20. Bb2 Bb7 21. Bfc1 f6
 22. Aa2 Bfb8 23. Aa6 24. Axd2
 25. Axb6 Bxb6 26. Axd2 Bb2 27. Af1
 28. Ad3 29. h3 Ab5 30. Bcb1
 31. Bxb1 32. Bxb1 Ba8 33. Ad2 Bf7
 34. Ab3 h5 35. Ac5 g5 36. g3 Ba7
 37. Ag2 f5 38. Bb2 Ge7 39. Bb1 Ba2
 40. 0-1

Garcia - Fuchs

1. e4 e5 2. Af3 d6 3. d4 exd4 4. Axd4
 5. Ad7 6. Ad3 Ac6 7. Ae3 Af6 8. Ac3
 9. Ae5 10. dxe5 11. Adb5 c6 12. Aa3 Axa3
 13. bxa3 Ba5 14. Ab1 g4 15. Ad2
 16. Axd2 Ae6 17. Bfe1 h5 18. Ac4
 19. Ae7 20. Axe6 Axc6 21. g3
 22. Bad8 23. Ab3 h4 24. Ac5+ Ae7
 25. Axb7 Bdg8 26. Aa5 hxg3 27. fxg3
 28. Bh3 29. Axc6+ Ad6 30. Axa7
 31. Bgh8 32. Be2 Axc4 33. Axe4
 34. Bxh2 35. Bd1+ Ae6 36. Bee1
 37. Bxc2 38. Ba1? Bhh2 39. Be3
 40. Bcg2+ 41. Bf1 Bc2 42. Ag1 f5
 43. Ab5 Bf6 44. a4 Bcg2+ 45. Bf1 f4
 46. gxf4 exf4 47. Bd3 f3 48. Bd6+
 49. Ag5 50. Bd5+ Ah4 0-1

Barbour - Stoneking

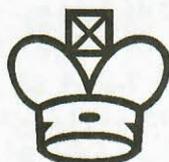
1. e4 c6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 Af5 4. Ad3
 5. Axd3 6. Bxd3 e6 7. Af3 Ad7 8. 0-0
 9. Ae7 10. Abd2 Ag6 11. Ab3 Ae7
 12. Ae3 Ac7 13. Bac1 b5 14. c3 Bb8
 15. Abd2 0-0 16. b4 Bfc8 17. Ag5
 18. Af8 19. Ah4 Axb4 20. Ag5 Ag7
 21. Bh3 Bf8 22. Ah6 Bbe8 23. Af3
 24. f6 25. g4 a4 26. Bc2 Ab6 27. Bcf2
 28. Ac4 29. Ba1 Axb6 30. Bxb6 Ag7
 31. Bxg7+ Bxg7 32. exf6+ Bxf6
 33. Ae5 Axc5 34. $\text{dxe5 } \frac{1}{2}\text{-}\frac{1}{2}$

Colorado Chess Tour

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6	Tobias Myers	14
7	Ron MacRall	14
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Mr. Postman

By Matthew DeElena

Hello fellow chess lovers! Welcome to my postal column! Before I begin I would like to thank Carl Van Laethem for giving me this opportunity to write a new column for the Informant. My name is Matthew De Elena, and I am currently pursuing the goal many of us dream about: playing chess full-time, hoping to make a career out of it. I have been playing OTB chess for 4 years and postal for 3 years, only wishing to have started both earlier. Enough about me! I want to hear from my readers and publish some of their postal games. If you are interested in having a game published you are rather fond of please send it to: Matt De Elena c/o Colorado Chess Informant 1473 S. Dudley St. Lakewood, CO 80232. I will pick the games most suitable for the column. Please annotate your games as completely as possible so your thoughts and mine about the games are published. Comments, both positive and negative, about the column are welcome and should be sent to the address at top of the column. This first game is one of my own taken from my very first postal tournament.

1991 Golden Knights,
Matt De Elena (0000) - Karl Gerds (1996),
Nimzo-Indian

1.d4 e6 2.c4 ♟f6 3.♟c3 ♟b4
4.♟g5

I enjoy playing this variation of the Nimzo-Indian, called the Leningrad or Spassky variation. See also my game with Arkady Kotlyarevsky from the Northern Colorado Open games.

4. ... h6 5.♟h4 g5 6.♟g3 d6
I expected 6. ... c5 7.d5 d6 8.e3 ♟a5
9.♟e2 ♟e4 10.♟c2.
7.e3 ♟d7 8.♟f3 O-O 9.♟d3

♟c3 10.bc

I might have a slight edge here with the two bishops, yet I have doubled c-pawns. I was looking for activity on the Kingside for black and the half-open b-file for myself.

10. ... ♟e7 11.O-O e5 12.e4

Black may do better by opening the f-file for himself— 12. ... ed 13.cd ♟e4 14.♟e1 f5 15.♟d2 ♟f7! (suggested by Carl V. L.) 16.♟e4 fe 17.♟e4 ♟f6 18.♟e3 ♟h5 and Black has equalized. The text move allowed me to lock up the game so as to cover up my doubled c-pawns.

12. ... c5 13.d5 ♟g7 14.♟e1 ♟d8
15.♟c2 ♟f8 16.♟e3 ♟g6 17.h3

I also considered 17.♟f5+ ♟f5 18.ef ♟f4, but I liked Black's game better due to his active knights compared to my misplaced bishops.

17. ... ♟c7 18.♟f3 ♟f4

This is an excellent post for the knight.

19.♟f4 gf 20.♟g4 ♟g4 21.hg

I have bad pawns and a bad bishop. I felt the best diagonal for my bishop was the a4-e8 diagonal, so I went for it.

21....♟e7 22.♟h3 ♟g5 23.♟e2
♟h8

Looking for an immediate h6-h5 push, so...

24.♟h5 ♟d7 25.♟fb1 ♟ab8 26.a4

One rook protects the a-pawn while the other exerts pressure on the b-file. I was beginning to enjoy my game again.

26. ... f6

26. ... a5? 27.♟b6 ♟f6 28.♟ab1 ♟c8 29.♟1b5 ♟a8 30. ♟c5 dc 31.♟f6 ♟f6 32.g5+ and white wins due to black's lack of piece coordination.

27.a5 ♟e8 28.♟h3 ♟d7 29.♟h5
♟he8

Black obviously does not want a draw by repetition, so he tries another way to

get at white.

30.♟d1 ♟e7 31.f3

I have solidified on the Kingside and I am now ready to activate my bad bishop.

31. ... ♟e8 32.♟h3 h5 33.♟f2
♟g6 34.gh ♟h5 35.♟a4

Finally! At this point I noticed the theater of action shifting to the Kingside very quickly, especially towards the h-file.

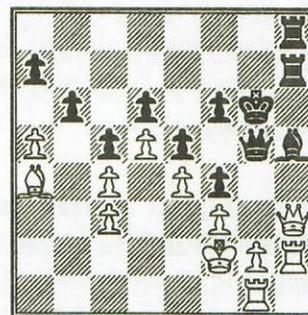
35. ... ♟h8 36.♟h1 ♟g6?

I question this move because the bishop is now trapped!

37.♟h2 b6 38.♟g1!

Now 38. ... ba loses a piece to 39.g4!

38.... ♟7h7!



39.ab

39.g4?? ♟g4! 40.♟h7+ ♟h7 41.♟h7 ♟h7 42.♟g4 with at least a draw for black. However, the move for white to play and win is 39.♟e8+!! Carl gave this move to me over the phone when we were discussing my first draft of the article. His Chessmaster 4000 program found this move. Here is my exhausted analysis of this awesome move: 39.♟e8+!! with the following variations:

a) 39. ... ♟h6? 40.♟h5+.

b) 39. ... ♟g7 40.♟gh1 ♟e8 [40. ... ♟e8 allows ♟h7+ as in the main line of b.] 41.♟d7+ ♟h8 42.♟e8+! ♟e8 [Otherwise he is down a rook.] 43.♟h7+ ♟g8 44.♟h8+ and now both 44. ... ♟g7 and ♟f7 lead to 45.♟1h7+ ♟g6 46.♟a7 ♟f7 [this saves the bishop and stops ♟g8+, but...] 47.ab when white wins.

c) 39. ... ♟e8 40.g4 now,
c1) 40. ... fg+ [40. ... ♟g4?? 41.♟h7 mate] 41.♟g3 ♟g3+ 42.♟g3! [not 42.♟g3 because the queen needs to stick to f5

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Acceleration Mach II

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The Acceleration Mach II Chess Tournament was held at the Hacienda Plaza Hotel in Thornton. The features of this tournament were, 1. try out new rooms at this site; and 2. refine the accelerated tournament format.

This event draws its name, "Acceleration Mach II", from the pairing system and was the second event of its kind in Colorado, the first being May Daze '94. In standard Swiss tournaments, the top players on the wall chart usually don't play until the 3rd or 4th rounds. In this accelerated system, however, one plays a neighbor on the wall chart as early as round 1. It avoids the early "butcher" rounds seen in Swiss pairings formats. The different pairing system gives variety to our tournament environment. Because of our Rocky Mountain heritage, I may rename it the "Bighorn" pairing system, "Come butt heads with your chess friends!"

The tournament started promptly. I asked Melody English to help me register players and she helped a great deal. Registration closed at 9:30 sharp, we had a brief players' meeting, and games were in progress at 10:05. I want to thank players for registering on time (I didn't have to turn anyone away!) Melody brought a computer and balanced the books, so that I was able to post prize funds much earlier than I normally can. The Open section prizes were reduced about 25% because of sparse attendance (18 players in an event based on 25.) The Premier prizes were increased, and the Reserve decreased 25%. There were enough prizes and players to have a good tournament!

There were last minute room changes.

Originally, I had intended to use other rooms in the Inn for the tournament. A wedding reception came in, so a well-lit room was made available to us on the second floor. I want to thank the players for dealing with the stairway without complaint and I hope that the stair trek was worth the improved lighting. Some players moved from the second-floor room to the Reserve playing area because of residual smoke from previous occupants. All playing areas were good enough that once each game was underway, conditions were suitable for play. I may return to this site occasionally in future tournaments. The management is flexible and receptive to the needs of the event. I will also be examining other sites.

All players faced tough competition! I believe everyone in the Open and Premier sections experienced the dramatically different pairing system during rounds 1 and 2. Opponents were close to them on the wall charts, so there were no strong mismatches during those rounds. Some good games will be

published from these early rounds! My personal objective for prizes was met. Prizes always go to players who perform well or show great improvement.

Open Section Prizes

First Performance: Michael Mulyar with a 2538 performance rating. \$170.

Second Performance: Arcaday Katlyarovsky with a 2320 performance rating. \$90.

First Relative Performance: Bela Geczy's 2143 showing was 213 points above his rating. \$70.

Second Relative Performance: Kevin Graham's 2030 performance was 191 points above rating. \$50.

In the Open section, Michael Mulyar, Arcade Katlyarovsky, Bela Geczy, and Kevin Graham were 2-0 after the first day, and these four went on to receive prizes! Good second-day records, turned in by Richard Hoffheimer and Gerry Morris, would have earned prizes if leaders had faltered..

Premier Section Prizes

First Performance: Steve Grove with a 1949 performance rating. \$170.

Second Performance: Steve Artis with a 1821 performance rating. \$110.

First Relative Performance: Abraham Romo's showing was 307 points above his rating. \$90.

Second Relative Performance: Anthony Cordova's performance was 272 points above rating. \$60..

In the Premier section, Steve Grove, Steve Artis, Tobias Myers, Abraham Romo, Christopher Walker, Pat Bruno, and Anthony Cordova

were all 2-0 after Saturday. In subsequent play Romo finished with an impressive 4-0 score which won a prize, but Grove and Artis, each with a 3.5-0.5 result against tougher opponents, had better performances in an absolute sense. If the leaders had faltered, Jon Zalevsky and Jay Shaeffer would have staged come-backs with their strong second-day scores.

Reserve Prizes

The Reserve Swiss section had co-champions James Barrett and Mark Smith. Each received \$75.

May I wax philosophical? When you enter a competition you can't always win! We all face the challenge of gaining some sense of achievement by competing in an activity where we only win half the time. Most of us have solved that dilemma by finding constructive attitudes toward the loss of the game. A "weakness" is found which can be remedied. There is hope for improved play in the future! I believe you get a good balance between a need to win and a desire to improve by playing opponents of equal level. One reason for this different pairing system is to get more games against your equals.

Players occasionally voice a philosophy expressing why players come to tournaments. "I came to play some good quality chess! If I win, that's a bonus, but I really came just to put in a good performance." The accelerated format is well suited for this competitive attitude because players usually are evenly matched. When the exceptional mismatch does

occur there is still a sense of justice in at least two ways. First, a mismatch can occur when one player performs unusually well or poorly, in which case he "deserves" to migrate up or down the wall chart. Second, the risk is balanced with reward in the following ways: if a player draws an "easy" game, his performance level is not as strong; if a player meets a tougher opponent, it's an opportunity for an outstanding performance. There is still an element of luck involved whether you are paired up or down.

The event flowed smoothly. I was happy with the way the wall charts developed and the awarding of prizes. I was able to keep them current. Also, during round 4, I was able to post enough information for players to tell if they were up for a prize. Prizes went to deserving performances.

Both formats, Accelerated and Swiss, have advantages and disadvantages. The purpose of the Swiss pairing system is to determine one tournament winner, but other prizes become chancy under that system. Accelerated pairings, such as in the Acceleration Mach II, could cause the best players to knock each other out and permit a weaker one to take First Place if the win/loss record is used. If the First Place prize is replaced with a Performance prize, this "weakness" of the pairing system is remedied and new advantages are achieved. I believe the "Class" prizes and "Under xxx" prizes are sometimes random in nature in the Swiss, and replacement of these prizes with "Relative Performance" prizes is superior. For example, if there were

an "Under 1600" prize, many players in the low 1600s may feel their prizes chances are greatly reduced in a Swiss system. In the Performance Prize system, the difference between a 1599 and 1600 rating is no longer enormous!

What have I learned? The major flaws in this format are avoided. I want to thank Paul Szeligowski for helping me run some trial tournaments on paper last winter, so that real problems never made it to the tournaments. After this event, I found an easy way to calculate the average opponent rating; a computer spreadsheet is an excellent tool for this.

Questions! During the past year I've heard several very good questions which deserve public response. Here are my answers to some of them.

Are these time controls going to occur at all tournaments?

No, each organizer chooses his own. Sometimes the room availability is limited and this requires a sudden death time control. If I run an event on my own, I can take a late-night session and an early morning round because the TD is the last to leave and the first to arrive. But there is no "assembly of Tournament Organizers" which get together and coordinate the chess year or the tournament formats. If you see several events of similar layout, it's likely that one is used as a template of an earlier, successful one.

Why is there such a long time between rounds?

Maybe I took something a little too seriously from the rule book, "Players are entitled to have rounds start on time." The best way I know to make sure that happens is to schedule a half-hour after the end of the sudden-death interval. I have the impression, however, that most players would prefer to have rounds scheduled earlier, and then wait only if necessary. In the future I plan to shorten the time between rounds and permit late games to delay the next round as I used to do.

Will there be more tournaments of this pairing format?

Definetely, Yes. After a few more successes I might publicize it nationally and see if it spreads to other states. The remaining refine-

ments are minor. I will announce "the posted ratings are now the official ones for prize computations." Also, I need to announce, "The prizes are calculated in good faith. If a calculation error is revealed after prizes are paid out, the erroneous awards payments will stand." I am probably needlessly cautious about one of the zillions of computations being in error, and a new person thereby entitled to the prize money. I'd have to pay the same prize twice ... and's it's only fun the first time!)

Useful rules from the rulebook

Many players have a scoresheet full of check marks after they make the first time control. If the next time control is not sudden death the player(s) must

make an effort to fill in the missing moves. In sudden death the TD has the option to waive this requirement.

Rules: Draw claims in sudden death

There are times when you can request that a TD count the 50 moves during sudden death, or ask that the game be drawn if you have insufficient losing chances, or have the TD witness a triple repetition of position. These kind of situations occur about once per round and many players are not aware that these options exist.

See you in the Spring!

The Colorado tournament schedule looks full through most of February. I hope to run another event in the spring of '95.

OPEN SECTION

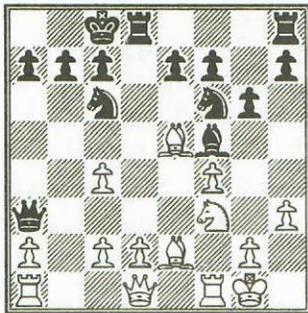
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1 Mulyar.....	2441	2538	W4	W3	W2	W6	4.0	97
2 Katlyarovsky	2108	2320	W13	W8	L1	W9	3.0	212
3 Hoffheimer.....	2114	2293	W5	L1	D4	W11	2.5	179
4 McCarty.....	2399	2269	L1	W5	D3	W10	2.5	-130
5 Schlagenhauf.....	2117	2150	L3	L4	W13	W12	2.0	33
6 Geczy.....	1930	2143	W12	W7	D9	L1	2.5	213
7 Morris.....	1907	2094	W18	L6	W12	W17	3.0	187
8 Hamblin.....	2100	2078	W10	L2	---	---	2.0	-22
9 Graham.....	1839	2030	W14	W16	D6	L2	2.5	191
10 Laor.....	2004	1891	L8	D11	W15	L4	1.5	-114
11 Labencki.....	1814	1855	L16	D10	W18	L3	1.5	41
12 Senger.....	1964	1814	L6	W13	L7	L5	1.0	-170
13 Scott.....	2101	1780	L2	L12	L5	---	.5	-321
14 Johnson.....	1877	1768	L9	---	---	---	1.5	-110
15 DeElena.....	1649	1767	W17	D18	L10	L16	1.5	118
16 Rossi.....	1803	1766	W11	L9	L17	W15	2.0	-37
17 Helt.....	1762	1741	L15	W14	W16	L7	2.0	-21
18 Daw.....	1900	1618	L7	D15	L11	---	1.0	-283

Daw - DeElena, SPANISH GAME

1.e4 c6 2.c3 e5 3.d5 a6
4.dxc6 dxc6 5.O-O f6 6.d4 exd4
7.cxd4 c5 8.c3 b3 9.cxd1
10.d6 11.a4 d7 12.c3
13.d2 c6 14.c4 O-O-O
15.exd6+ dxd6 16.dxd6 cxd6
17.d1 c4 18.d2 d8 19.f3 d5
20.exd5 cxd5 21.cxd5 dxd5
22.dxd5 dxd5 23.a5 c7
24.axb6+ cxb6 25.b4 c5
26.dxc5 1/2-1/2

Hofheimer vs. Schlagenhauf
MODERN DEFENSE

1.e4 g6 2.f4 d7 3.c3 d5 4.exd5
cxd5 5.c3 dxc3 6.bxc3 d7
7.d2 c6 8.h3 f5 9.O-O f6
10.c4 d6 11.d2 O-O-O 12.d5
c4



13.d5 c5 14.fxe5 c4
15.c4 dxe4 16.d3 c5+ 17.f2
cxe5 18.dxf7 d5 19.d4 c6
20.dxf5 gxf5 21.c5 c3+
22.c4 f4 23.c5+ c8 24.cxf4
c2 25.c2 c5 26.d1 e5
27.c5 c4 28.cxe5 d8 29.d4
c6 30.dxc7 dxc7 31.c5h8+ d8
32.c5+ c8 33.d1 a6 34.c6
c8 35.d4 c7 36.d1 d6
37.c4 c8 38.c5 d6 39.c5h7
d2 40.d5 c8 41.d6 d2 42.c7
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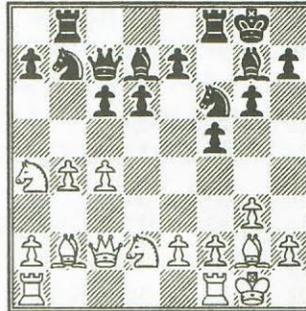
Labenki - Laor, ALENHINE'S

1.e4 f6 2.e5 d5 3.d4 d6 4.c3
d7 5.d2 e6 6.c4 c6 7.exd6
cxd6 8.O-O c6 9.b3 d7 10.d2
O-O 11.d1d2 d5 12.d5 c5

13.dxe5 dxe2 14.c3 dxc4
15.cxc4 cxc4 16.cxc4 d8
17.c4 d2 18.d4 c4 19.c3
d5 20.dfd1 g6 21.f4 a6 1/2-1/2

Mulyar - Geczy, DUTCH DEFENSE

1.d4 f5 2.c3 c6 3.g3 g6 4.d2
d7 5.O-O O-O 6.c4 d6 7.c3
c6 8.d5 a5 9.d2 c5 10.dxc6ep
bxc6 11.b3 d7 12.d2 d8 13.b4
c7 14.c3 d8 15.c2 c6
16.d4 c7



17.c5 dxc5 18.cxc5 cxc5
19.cxc5 d6 20.d5 c6
21.dxb8 cxc5 22.bxc5 d8
23.dxc6 d8 24.d2 dxc5
25.dac1 dxc1 26.dxc1 dxa2
27.d1 1-0

Mulyar vs. Hofheimer,
SLAV DEFENSE

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.e3 c6 4.c3
g6 5.c3 d7 6.d2 O-O 7.O-O
d7 8.cxd5 cxd5 9.e4 c3 10.
bxc3 c5 11.d5 cxd4 12.cxd4 c6
13.d3 b6 14.dac1 d7 15.d5 h6
16.d4 g5 17.d7 d7 18.c2
g4 19.d3 c5 20.h3 d7
21.c3 e6 22.d6 c6 23.c4 c4
24.cxc6 cxc6 25.dxc6 cxd3
26.d7 d6 27.d1 c4 28.d6d6
d8 29.dxd8 dxd8 30.d5 cxa2
31.c6 d8 32.d1d3 b5 33.d3
c1 34.dxa7 dxa7 35.cxd8 d7
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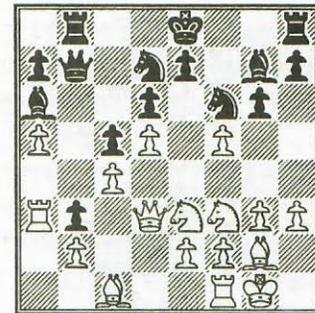
Senger - Scott,

QUEEN'S GAMBIT ACCEPTED

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.c3 c6 4.e4
e5 5.d5 d5 6.f3 h6 7.dxc4 O-O
8.a3 d7 9.b4 d6 10.c3 c5
11.c2 c4 12.g3 c6 13.c2 a5
14.b5 a4 15.d3 d5 16.c2 d6
17.dxb6 cxb6 18.d2 f5 19.d1
f4 20.g4 h4 21.d4 c2+
22.d2 c3 23.c2 d6 24.d1
d7 25.c3d1 cxd1 26.cxd1 d8
27.c2 d8 28.d3 d8 29.c5
d7 30.c2 d6 31.cxd7 1-0

Schlagenhauf - McCarty,
BENKO GAMBIT

1.d4 c6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 b5 4.c3
b4 5.c2 g6 6.a3 b3 7.c3 c4
8.c3 c6 9.g3 d6 10.d2 d7
11.O-O d7 12.d3 f5 13.a4 d6
14.d3 d8 15.h3 c4 16.a5 c7



17.d5 c5 18.c3 c4
19.cxe4 fxe4 20.c1 c4
21.cxc4 dxc4 22.dxe4 d5
23.a6 c6 24.d5 cxd5 25.e4
c6 26.a5 O-O 27.c2 c4+
28.c2 c2 0-1

Geczy vs. Graham, DUTCH DEFENSE

1.f4 d5 2.c3 c6 3.g3 e6 4.d2
c5 5.O-O c6 6.d3 d7 7.c3 a6
8.d2 b5 9.e4 b4 10.e5 bxc3
11.exf6 dxf6 12.dxc3 O-O 13.c1
dxc3 14.c3 c6 15.d1 a5
16.c1 d8 17.d5 d4 18.d2
f6 19.d4 d8 20.d3 d7 21.c3
1/2-1/2

PREMIER SECTION

	Pre Rating	Absolute Perf	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Score	Relative Perf	
1	Grove	1655	1949	W26	W3	D2	W8	3.5	294
2	Artis	1610	1821	W14	W12	D1	W18	3.5	211
3	Zalevsky	1721	1812	W5	L1	W24	W11	3.0	91
4	Romo	1459	1766	W24	W27	W10	W17	4.0	307
5	Shaeffer	1783	1760	L3	W26	D12	W13	2.5	-23
6	Bast	1641	1721	D13	L8	W26	W12	2.5	80
7	Myers	1499	1691	W19	W9	L8	W20	3.0	192
8	Fuchs	1565	1690	--	W6	W7	L1	2.5	125
9	Rietfors	1532	1673	W11	L7	W27	W16	3.0	141
10	Walker	1423	1612	W16	W15	L4	W29	3.0	189
11	Mombelli	1530	1592	L9	W19	W13	L3	2.0	62
12	MacNeil	1600	1559	W21	L2	D5	L6	1.5	-42
13	Bales	1619	1539	D6	W21	L12	L5	1.5	-81
14	Martinez	1604	1468	L2	L17	L21	W26	1.0	-136
15	Marshall	1418	1449	W28	L10	L20	W21	2.0	31
16	Stoneking	1428	1439	L10	W28	W23	L9	2.0	11
17	Cordova	1127	1399	W30	W20	D18	L4	2.5	272
18	Bruno	1225	1397	W29	W25	D17	L2	2.5	172
19	MacRall	1496	1365	L7	L11	D22	W28	1.5	-131
20	Carson	1370	1361	W23	L17	W15	L7	2.0	-9
21	Overdorff	1600	1360	L12	L13	W14	L15	1.0	-240
22	Dail	1429	1259	L27	L24	D19	--	1.0	-170
23	Aragon	1400	1365	L20	W30	L16	W24	2.0	-46
24	Nelson, D	1479	1302	L4	W22	L3	W27	2.0	-177
25	Spentzos	1106	1268	W-	L18	L29	W27	2.0	182
26	Gardner	1700	1271	L1	L5	L6	L14	0.0	-429
27	Herman	1433	1182	L22	L4	L9	L25	1.0	-252
28	Nickleson	1402	1171	L15	L16	W30	L19	1.0	-231
29	Nelson, R	1343	1178	:18	W-	W25	L10	2.0	-165
30	Naples	1141	968	L17	L23	L28	D-	.5	-174

Bast - Fuchs, LARSEN'S OPENING

1. b3 e5 2. ♖b2 ♗c6 3. c4 ♘c5 4. e3 ♜f6 5. ♜e2 ♗b4 6. ♜g3 ♗c6 7. ♜c3 d6 8. ♘e2 a6 9. O-O h5 10. f4 h4 11. ♜h5 ♜xh5 12. ♘xh5 exf4

Interesting is 12....h3.

13. ♖xf4

13. ♜e4 is also playable. For example, 13....♖h5 14. ♜f6 ♜f8 15. ♜h5 gh5 16. ♜h5 f5 17. ♜h8 ♜f7 18. ♜h7 ♜e8 19. ♖h4.

13....g6 14. ♖e4+ ♜f8 15. ♘e2 ♘f5 16. ♖f4 ♜g5



17. ♘g4?

The position is ripe for a tactical mistake. White's Rook is actually unpro-

tected. 17. ♜d5 is best and would leave White ahead.

17....♜xf4 18. ♘xf5 ♜xf5 19. ♜d5 ♖h5 20. d4 ♘b6 21. ♜e2 ♖e8 22. ♖f1 ♜xd4

This is very interesting but unnecessary. 22....♜g5 putting more pressure on the weak e pawn is better. The text gives White a fighting chance.

23. ♘xd4 ♘xd4 24. ♖xf5 ♖xf5 25. ♜d3 ♘a7 26. ♜c3 f6 27. ♜d3 ♖xd5?

This move actually gives White back the advantage. Black can win with 27....c6

when the two threats of cd5 and e3 cannot be stopped.

28.cxd5?

28. d5 would remove the Queen from being attacked after 28... e3 (or 28... e3 29. f1) f1. The Queen vs. Bishop and Rook would offer White excellent winning chances.

28... e3

The Queen is lost due to the threat of discovered check.

29. e3 e3+ 30. f1 f5

31. e2 f4 32. g3 hxg3 33. hxg3 f7 34. f3 g5 35. g4 e7 36. a3 c6 37. dxc6 bxc6 38. b4 d5 39. a4 d6 40. b5 cxb5 41. axb5 axb5 0-1

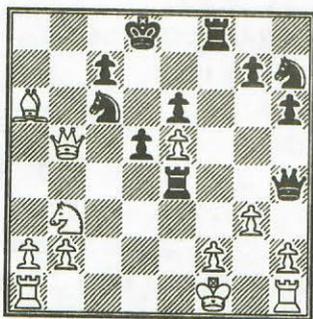
MacNeil - Shaeffer

CENTER COUNTER

1. e4 d5 2. e5 e5 3. d4 e6 4. f3 c6 5. d3 g4 6. c3 f6 7. exf6 xf6 8. g5 h6 9. g6+ d7 10. h4 e7 11. d2 f8 12. a4 d6 13. c4 a6 14. e5+ xe5 15. dxe5 b5 16. cxb5 axb5 17. f4 a4 18. e3 h7 19. b3 b4+ 20. f1 c8 21. d3 e2+

Black obtains a winning game with 21... b3 22. c1 a2 23. h7 e3 24. fe3 h7 25. c6 b2.

22. e2 xh4 23. xb5 e4 24. a6+ d8 25. b5 f8 26. g3?!



If this game isn't tactically confusing already, just watch!

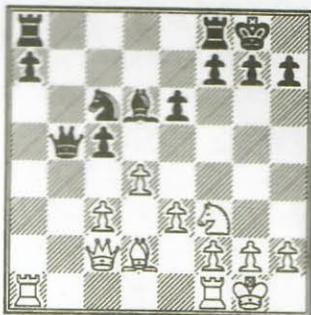
26... h3+ 27. g1 g5 28. d2 xe5 29. f4 g3+ 30. xf3 xf3+ 31. f2 d4 32. b8+ e7 33. xc7+ f6 34. d3 xf4+ 35. xf4+ e7 36. xf8+ xf8

37. h1 e7 38. e3 e5 39. f2 e6 40. f1 f6 41. b1 e6+ 41... f5+ with the idea of e3 is interesting.

42. f3 g5+ 43. g2 b7 44. h4 d4+ 45. h2 f3+ 46. xf3 xxb2+ 47. f2 c3 48. c2 e3 49. c7+ d6 50. f1c1 d3 51. f1c6+ d5 52. c5+ d4 1/2-1/2

MacRill - Dail, ENGLISH

1. c4 d5 2. cxd5 f6 3. c3 xd5 4. f3 c5 5. e3 f5 6. b5+ d7 7. c4 xc3 8. bxc3 b5 9. d5 c6 10. xc6+ xc6 11. O-O e6 12. d4 d6 13. a4 a5 14. d2 O-O 15. axb5 xxb5 16. c2



16... cxd4 17. cxd4 ac8 18. fb1 h5 19. e4 fe8 20. h4 xh4 21. xh4 b8 22. g3 xb1+ 23. xb1 b8 24. a1 a8 25. a6 b4 26. xb4 xb4 27. a4 d5 28. f3 a5 29. d2 b6 30. a2 a4 31. a3 c8 32. b3 b6 33. c5 a5 34. g2 f8 35. f3 e7 36. h4 f5 37. e2 e5 38. d3 e4+ 39. c3 a8 40. b4 b8 41. c3 d5+ 42. c4 b6+ 43. c3 d5+ 1/2-1/2

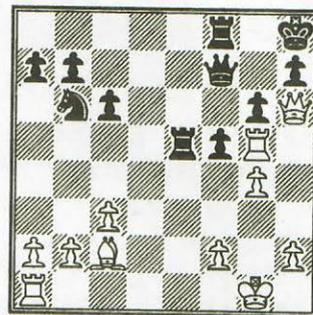
Rietfors - Herrman,

QP OPENING

1. d4 d5 2. f3 c6 3. e3 f6 4. d3 g6 5. d2 g7 6. O-O O-O 7. c3 d7 8. e1 c7 9. e4 dx4 10. xe4 xe4 11. xe4 f6 12. c2 e6

Better is 12... g4 getting the Bishop outside the pawns.

13. g5 e8 14. d2 d7 15. h6 b6 16. xg7 xg7 17. e5 f6 18. g4 f7 19. h6+ g8 20. e3 e5 21. g3 xg4 22. xg4 f5 23. g5 h8 24. dx5 xe5 25. g4 f8



26. gxf5

26. g6 g8 27. g8 g8 28. f6 g7 29. g7 g7 30. f5 e2 31. b3 leaves White ahead two pawns.

13... gxf5 27. h1 e8 28. f1g1 d5+ 29. f5g2 f7 30. d1?

White wins easily with 30. b3 with the threat of 31. g7.

30... e1 31. h5 xg1+ 32. xg1 d5+?

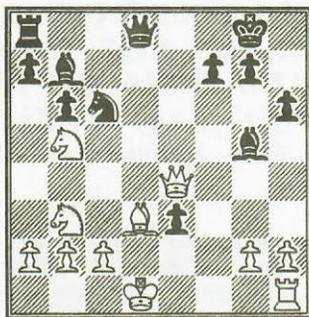
The Queen is needed to protect the weak f6 and g7 squares. Black cannot stop mate now without losing his rook.

33. f3 e5 34. xe8 d5 35. f8++ *

Spentzos - Nelson, R.,

SICILIAN DEFENSE

1. e4 c5 2. f3 e6 3. d4 cxd4 4. xd4 c6 5. b3 f6 6. c3 b6 7. g5 e7 8. d2 b7 9. O-O O-O h6 10. e3 c7 11. f3 O-O 12. b5 b8 13. f4 e5 14. e3 d5 15. exd5 d8 16. d6 e8 17. f4 xd6 18. f2 e4 19. e2 xd1+ 20. xd1 exf4 21. f3 fx3 22. xe4 d8+ 23. d3 g5



24. ♖h7+ ♕f8 25. ♖h8+ ♕e7
 26. ♖xg7 ♘a6 27. ♕e2 ♖d5 28. ♖f1
 ♖xg2+ 29. ♕d1 ♖g4+ 30. ♘e2
 ♖d8+ 31. ♗3d4 ♖xd4+ 32. ♗xd4
 ♘xe2+ 33. ♗xe2 ♖d7+ 34. ♕c1
 ♖d5 35. ♖c3 f5 36. ♗f4 ♘xf4
 37. ♖g7+ ♕d6 38. ♖f8+ ♕d7
 39. ♖g7+ ♗e7 40. ♖c3 e2+ 0-1

Walker - Nelson, R.,

KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE

1. d4 ♗f6 2. ♗f3 g6 3. c4 ♘g7
 4. ♗c3 d6 5. e4 O-O 6. ♘e2 ♗8d7
 7. ♘e3 e5 8. O-O a6 9. a4 ♖e8 10. d5
 b6 11. a5 bxa5 12. ♖xa5 c5 13. ♖a4
 ♗b6 14. ♖c6? ♘g4

The White Queen is stuck after 14... ♖b8. The threat of 15... ♘b7 is nasty.

15. ♖1a1 ♘xf3 16. gxf3 ♖b8
 17. ♖xa6 h5 18. ♘g5 ♗c8 19. ♗b5
 ♖b6 20. ♖xb6 ♖xb6 21. ♖a6 ♖xc6
 22. dxc6 ♖e6 23. ♖a8 ♖e8 24. ♘xf6
 ♘xf6 25. c7 ♖f8 26. ♘d1 ♗b6
 27. ♖a6 ♗xc4 28. ♗xd6 ♗xd6
 29. ♖xd6 ♘e7 30. ♖b6 ♘d6 31. ♖xd6
 ♕e7 32. ♘a4 ♖c8 33. ♖c6 ♗d7
 34. ♖xc5+ ♗d6 35. ♖c2 ♕e7
 36. ♘b5 ♗d6 37. ♘e8 ♕e7 38. ♘b5
 ♗d6 39. ♘a6 ♖xc7 40. ♖xc7 ♖xc7
 41. ♘c4 f6 42. ♘f7 g5 43. ♘h5
 ♗d6 44. ♕g2 ♖c5 45. b3 ♗d6
 46. ♕g3 ♕e7 47. ♕g4 ♕e6 48. b4
 1-0

"Castling
 is for
 Sissies"
 Dave Barbour

RESERVE SECTION

1 James Barrett	1394	W2	W13	D16	W14	3.5
2 Roger Schmeeckle	1376	L1	L7	W19	L8	1.0
3 Josh Spitz	1294	D4	W8	W7	L16	2.5
4 Issac Garcia	1282	D3	L18	D9	W19	2.0
5 Stuart Simon	1249	L6	---	L11	---	0.5
6 Mark Lauer	1185	W5	L14	D12	L11	1.5
7 Clint Silva	1173	D8	W2	L3	L12	1.5
8 Matthew Jennings	1158	D7	L3	---	W2	1.5
9 Brent Truskowski	1150	---	---	D4	W15	1.5
10 Mary Nelson	1129	W11	L16	L13	W17	2.0
11 Bill Hand	1106	L10	D15	W5	W6	2.5
12 Moses Lopez	1094	L13	W19	D6	W7	2.5
13 Santos Sanchez	1062	W12	L1	W10	W18	3.0
14 Alexander White	1056	W15	W6	W18	L1	3.0
15 Jason Sallee	1034	L14	D11	W17	L9	1.5
16 Mark Smith	1032	W19	W10	D1	W3	3.5
17 Josh Sie	959	L18	---	L15	L10	0.0
18 Joseph Barrett	Unr	W17	W4	L14	L13	2.0
19 Tim Lara	Unr	L16	L12	L2	L4	0.0

Barrett - White, SCOTCH

1. e4 e5 2. ♗f3 ♗c6 3. d4 d5 4. dxe5
 dxe4 5. ♖xd8+ ♗xd8 6. ♗d4 ♘c5
 7. ♘e3 ♘xd4 8. ♘xd4 ♗c6 9. ♘b5
 ♘d7 10. ♘xc6 ♘xc6 11. e6 f6
 12. ♘c5 ♗e7 13. ♘xe7 ♖xe7
 14. ♗d2 ♖xe6 15. O-O-O ♖hd8
 16. g3 ♖d6 17. ♖he1 f5 18. f3 ♖d4
 19. fxe4 fxe4 20. ♖e3 ♖8d8 21. c3
 ♖d3 22. ♖xd3 ♖xd3 23. ♖c2 ♘b5
 24. c4 ♘c6 25. ♖e1 ♖d4 26. ♖c3
 ♖e5 27. ♗f3+ ♖f5 28. ♗xd4+
 ♖e5 29. ♗xc6+ bxc6 30. ♖b4 ♗d4
 31. ♖a5 e3 32. ♖d1+ ♖e4 33. ♖d7
 e2 34. ♖a6 ♖f3 35. ♖e7 ♖f2
 36. ♖xa7 e1=♖ 37. ♖xe1 ♖xe1
 38. ♖b7 ♗d2 39. ♖xc7 ♖c2 40. c5
 ♖xb2 41. ♖xc6 ♖c3 42. ♗d5 1-0

Jennings - Schmeeckle

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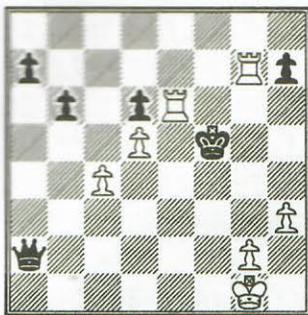
1. e4 e5 2. ♗f3 ♗c6 3. ♘b5 a6
 4. ♘xc6 bxc6 5. ♗xe5 ♖e7 6. ♗f3
 ♖xe4+ 7. ♖e2 ♖xe2+ 8. ♖xe2 ♗f6
 9. ♖e1 ♘e7 10. ♖f1 ♗d5 11. ♗c3
 d6 12. d4 ♘e6 13. ♘g5 f6 14. ♘h4
 ♗f4 15. ♘g3 ♘c4+ 16. ♖g1 ♗g6
 17. b3 ♘d5 18. ♗xd5 cxd5 19. ♗h4

♗h4 20. ♘h4 g5 21. ♘g3 f5 22. f4
 g4 23. ♘h4 ♗d7 24. ♖xe7+ ♖c6
 25. ♖f7 ♖ae8 26. ♖xf5 ♖e4 27. c3
 ♖8e8 28. ♖h5 ♖xf4 29. ♖xh7 ♖8e4
 30. g3 ♖f3 31. ♘d8 ♖xc3 32. ♖xc7+
 ♖b5 33. ♖xc3 ♖xd4 34. ♘c7 ♖b4
 35. ♖1c1 ♖d2 36. ♘xd6+ ♖b5
 37. a4+ ♖a5 38. ♖c6 d4 39. ♘a3 d3
 40. ♖c5 *

Sallee - Hand, PIRC DEFENSE

1. e4 e5 2. ♗f3 d6 3. ♗c3 ♗f6
 4. ♘c4 ♗8d7 5. O-O b6? 6. d4
 6. ♗g5 is very strong.
 6... ♗xd4
 6... ♘e7
 7. ♗xd4 ♘b7 8. ♖e1 ♘e7 9. ♗f5
 O-O 10. ♗xe7+?! ♖xe7 11. ♗d5
 ♗xd5 12. ♘xd5 ♘xd5 13. exd5 ♖f6
 14. ♖b1 ♗e5 15. h3 ♖g6 16. ♘f4 f6
 17. ♘xe5 fxe5 18. ♖e2 ♖f7 19. c4
 e4 20. ♖e3 ♖g6 21. ♖bd1?! ♖ae8
 22. ♖d4 ♖f3 23. ♖d2 ♖8f8
 23... ♖h3
 24. ♖4xe4 ♖xf2 25. ♖xf2 ♖xf2
 26. ♖xf2 ♖f6+ 27. ♖g1 ♖xb2
 28. ♖e8+ ♖f7 29. ♖1e7+ ♖g6
 30. ♖xc7 ♖xa2 31. ♖e6+ ♖f5

32. ♖f7+ ♘g5 33. ♖xg7+ ♘f5



34. ♖f7+?!

White wins with 34.g4+ ♘f4 35. ♖f7+ ♘g3 (35... ♘g5 36. ♖f5+ ♘h4 37. ♖e3) 36. ♖e3+ ♘h4 37. ♖f5.

34... ♘g5 35. ♖g7+ ♘f5 ½-½?!

Again, g4+ would win for White as in the previous note!.

Sallee - White, SCOTCH OPENING

1.e4 e5 2. ♖f3 ♘c6 3. d4 d5 4. exd5 4. ♘e5.

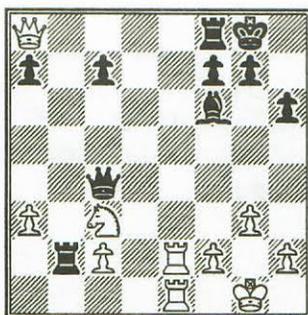
4... ♘xd5 5. ♘c3 ♘a5 6. ♖b5 6. d5 ♘b4 7. ♘e5 c6 8. ♘c4 ♘d8 9. d6 is also strong.

6... ♖b4 7. ♖xc6+ bxc6 8. ♖d2 ♖g4 9. O-O ♘f6 10. ♖e1 O-O 11. ♖xe5 ♖xf3 12. ♘xf3 ♘a6 13. a3 ♖d6 14. ♖e2 ♖ab8 15. ♖b1 c5 16. dxc5 ♖xc5 17. ♖g5 ♖d4 18. ♖xf6 ♖xf6 19. ♖1e1 ♘c4 20. g3

20. ♘d5 is White's best move to keep his small advantage.

20... ♖xb2 21. ♘a8?! h6?

Black can get an advantage with 21... ♘e2 22. ♘f8 ♘f8 23. ♘e2 ♖c2 24. ♘f4 ♖d4.



22. ♖e8?!

White wins here with 22. ♘f8 ♘h7 (not

22... ♘f8 23. ♖e8#) 23. ♘e4.

22... ♘xc3

Black's best chance to save himself was probably 22... ♖e8.

23. ♖xf8+ ♘h7 24. ♖h8+ ♘g6 25. ♘e4+ ♘g5 26. h4+ ♘h5 27. ♘e2+

White mates with 27. ♘f5+ g5 28. g4+ ♘h4 29. ♖h6#.

27... ♘g6 28. h5+ ♘g5 29. f4+ ♘f5 30. g4+ ♘xf4 31. ♖f1+ ♘g5 32. ♖f5+ ♘h4 33. ♘f2+ ♘g3+?? 34. ♘xg3+ ♘xg3 35. ♖a8 ♖b1+ 36. ♖f1 ♖d4+ 0-1

Simon - Hand, ENGLISH OPENING

1. c4 e5 2. g3 ♘f6 3. ♖g2 ♖e7 4. ♘c3 d6 5. h3 ♘8d7 6. e3 ♘c5 7. d4 exd4 8. exd4 ♘5d7 9. ♘1e2 0-0 10. 0-0 c6 11. b3 ♖e8 12. d5 c5 13. ♖e1 ♘e5 14. ♘f4 ♘6d7 15. ♖b2 ♖f6 16. ♘c2 ♖e7 17. ♘e4 ♘e8 18. ♘xf6+ ♘xf6 19. ♘f1 b6 20. ♖e2 ♖a6 21. ♖1e1 ♘6d7 22. ♘d3 f6 23. ♘f4 b5 24. ♘e6 ♘f8 25. ♖xe5 fxe5 26. ♘g5 ♘g6 27. ♘e4 ♖b8 28. ♖e3 bxc4 29. bxc4 ♖b4 30. ♖c3 ♖7b7 31. a3 ♖b2 32. ♘a4 ♖7b6 33. ♘g1 ♘f5 34. ♖f3 ♘d7 35. ♘xd7 ♘xd7 36. ♘c3 ♖2b3 37. ♖1e3 ♖xc4 38. a4 ♘f6 39. ♖f5 ♘f7 40. ♘e4 ♖xe3 41. fxe3 ♖xd5 42. g4 ♖xe4 43. ♖xe4 g6 44. ♖f3 ♘e6 45. ♖d3 ♖b4 46. ♖b5 c4 47. g5 ♘h5 48. e4 c3 49. ♖xc3 ♖xe4 50. ♖c7 d5 51. ♖xa7 d4 52. ♖xd7+ ♘d6 53. ♖c8 ♘f4 54. ♖a6+ ♘c7 55. ♖g4 d3 56. ♖f3 d2 57. ♖a7+ ♘b6 58. ♖d7 ♖d4 59. ♖xd4 exd4 60. h4 ♘d3 61. ♘f1 ♘b2 62. ♖d1 ♘xd1 63. ♘e2 0-1



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order to win] 42. ... ♖eh8 [forced if black wants to keep the bishop] 43. ♘f5+ and now either 43. ... ♘g7 or ♘f7 allows ♘d7+ and ♘d6-winning.

c2) 40. ... ♘h6 41. gh dbl ch ♘f7 42. ♖hg2! and black is lost. For example, 42. ... ♘h5? 43. ♖g7+! Also 42. ... ba? 43. ♖g6 ♘f8 44. ♖f6+! ♘f6 45. ♘f5+ ♘e7 46. ♘h7+ ♘d8 and 47. ♖g7 wins. And if 42. ... ♖h8 then, 43. ♖g6 ♘f8 44. ♘d7+ and both 44. ... ♖e7 or ♘e7 are met by 45. ♖g7+, and of course

d) 39. ... ♖f7 40. ♖f7+ ♘f7 41. g4 fg+ 42. ♖g3 ♘h6 43. ♘d7+. Too bad I did not play the correct 39. ♖e8+ then!

39. ... ab 40. ♖gh1

Now 40. ♖e8+ is not so great because black can safely go into line 39b since the queenside has been simplified.

40. ... ♖a7 41. ♘h5+! ♖h5 42. ♖h5

Notice how the Black Queen has nowhere to go. For example: 42. ... ♘h5? 43. ♖e8+. Black must play correctly to keep all of his pieces.

42. ... ♖a4 43. ♖g5+ fg

We had played this game from August 1991 to February 1993, a total of 18 months. After all of this I wanted a draw to finally end the game and I found- 44. ♘e2! ♖a2+ 45. ♘d3 ♖g2 46. ♖h6+!

And now it is finally a draw due to the stalemate after 46. ... ♘h6.

MOVING?

Send your new address to the Secretary.

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THE OTHER NORTH AMERICAN OPEN

By Ron Deike

Those of you who read the small print in Chess life noticed that I tied for second at the 12th Annual North American Open (2-5 Sept 1994). No, not the upstart North American Open held at year's end in Las Vegas, but the real N. A. Open, the one with a history, the tourney with a free pizza party, the ultimate contest in Stillwater, Oklahoma (a city referred to by my wife as "Placid Pond"). The tourney reunited me with my old chess buddy Les Kline from Fayetteville, Arkansas. We shared a room and commiserated with each other about our meager talents; chess is lots more fun when you've got somebody to whine with. Les got to whine early when he provided the upset of the tournament in round one, being mated in 12 moves by a very young girl. Gotta watch them kids. Les recovered though and ended up with some of the Class B cash. Perennial tourney winner IM Michael Brooks coasted to victory with a 9.5 - 0.5 score. In past years Brooks has usually contended with IM John Donaldson for first place money, but this year Donaldson was seconding IM Josh Waitzkin in a tournament somewhere in South America. Brooks gave up his half point to master Jim Rohrbaugh, who lost to Joe Eversole and myself in rounds 9 and 10 respectively, allowing us to grab the distant second place cash (two points behind Brooks) and the expert cash. (Rohrbaugh's pair of Sunday losses might have had something to do with the group of Evangelicals in the adjoining room who were bellowing out hymns and hallelujahs loud enough to wake God from a deep slumber.) Ex-Coloradan Eversole played steady chess, losing only to Brooks, and took home the expert tro-

phy. Joe says he's headed back to Colorado, so beware! After seven rounds I was lucky to have scored 4.5, but I got a second wind (from all those hallelujahs!?) and won my last three games. An indication of how far down the pairing chart I was for most of the tourney is that over the course of ten rounds I never got paired with Brooks.

Round 9;

James Long (2010) -- Deike:

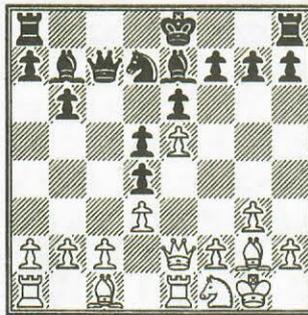
1.e4 e6 2.d3 d5 3.♗d2 c5
4.♗gf3 ♗f6 5.g3 ♗c6 6.♗g2
♗e7 7.00 b6 8.♖e1 ♗b7 9.♖e2
♖c7

I've played this weird variation against the King's Indian Attack for years, even using it in a reversed form: 1.c4 g6 2.♗c3 ♗g7 3.d4 ♗f6 4.♗f3 00 5.e3 d6 6.♗e2 ♗bd7 7.b3 e5 8.♗b2 ♖e8 9.♖c2 c6 10.h3 h5 11.000 a6 12.♗a3 e4 13.♗d2 d5 14.g4 hg 15.hg ♗f8 16.♖dg1 b5 17.♗f8 ♗f8 18.c5 ♗h7 and White has some advantage (Deike -- John Hall; Houston; 1985).

10.♗f1 ♗d4!?

Played after a 40-minute think.

11.♗d4 cd 12.e5 ♗d7



13.♗f4?

13.♖g4 looks to be a sterner test of Black's idea.

13. ... g5 14.♗c1 ♖c8 15.♖g4 ♖c2 16.♖e2 ♖d3 17.♖d2 ♖g6 18.♖d4 00 19.♖e2 ♖c4 20.♖c4 dc 21.♗b7 ♖g7 22.f4 ♗c5 23.♗g2 ♗d3 24.♗e3 ♖h6 25.fg ♗g5 26.♗d4 ♖d8 27.♗c3 ♗e7 28.h3 ♗c5+ 29.♖h2 ♗f2 30.♗d2 ♗g4+ 31.♖h1 ♗f2+ 32.♖h2 ♗g4+ 33.♖h1 ♖h5 34.♗e4 ♗e7 35.♗f2 ♗f2 36.♖f2 ♖d1+ 37.♖d1 ♖d1+ 38.♖h2 ♗c5 39.♖f1 ♖c2 40.♖h1 b5 41.a3? ♗a3 42.♗f3 ♗b2 43.♗b2 ♖b2 and Black won.

READERS SHOWCASE

Informant readers are encouraged to submit games for publication. Games can have any merit to them whatsoever. Games will be printed as space allows. The following game was submitted by R. A. Trujillo.

Trujillo - Coyle,

KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE

1.d4 g6 2.c4 ♗g7 3.♗f3 d6 4.♗c3 ♗f6 5.e4 c6 6.♗e2 0-0 7.♖c2 ♖e8 8.h3 d5 9.cd5 cd5 10.e5 ♗fd7 11.♗d5 ♗c6 12.0-0 e6 13.♗f4 ♖c7 14.b4 ♖b8 15.♖b3 ♗d4 16.♗d4 ♗e5 17.♗fe6 ♖e6 18.♗e6 ♗a1 19.♗f4! ♗e5?

19....♗e5 is a better try.

20.♗g5 ♗f6 21.♖f7 ♖h8 22.♖f8 ♗g8 23.♗f7*

CLUB DIRECTORY

Aurora

Aurora Chess Club meets every Saturday afternoon from 1 to 4 at the Aurora Public Library (Theatre Room or Activity Room). Contact: Paul Adams (303) 366-3855.

Boulder

Boulder Chess Club meets at the Colorado University UMC building. Every Wednesday evening at 7:30. Rated tournaments held every month. Contact: Mike Holcomb (303) 258-3942.

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Colorado Springs Chess Club meets on Tuesday evenings at the Accacia Hotel. Platte Ave (between Tejon and Nevada) starting at 7:00 p.m. Contact: Richard Buchanan (719) 685-1984.

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Contact: Rick or Mary Nelson (303) 824-4780.

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Glendale Chess Club meets every Monday at the Glendale Community Center, 999 So. Clermont, Room 2B, Denver, CO. Play starts at 7:30 p.m. Contact: Debra Johnson (303) 399-3252.

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COLORADO SPRINGS CHESS CLUB FOR KIDS FIRST ANNUAL FALL FUN CHESS TOURNAMENT RESULTS

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<u>PLACE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>CITY</u>
1st	Anthony DiGiacomo	8th	North Jr. High	Colorado Springs
2nd (tie)	David Baldwin	5th	Colorado Academy	Denver
2nd (tie)	Sean Cabrera	1st	Jordahl	Fountain

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Elementary (4th-6th)	Jacob Herold	4th	Home Schooled	Colorado Springs
Primary (K-3rd)	Matthew Herold	1st	Home Schooled	Colorado Springs

TOURNAMENTS

January 28: **Craig Chess Club G/60 Swiss VI**

4-SS, G/60, School Administration Building, 755 Yampa Ave., Craig, Co. One Section. Prizes equal 80% of entree fees. Prizes paid: 1st 40%, 2nd 20%, Top under 1400 20% and top unrated 20%. Entry fee \$10. Half off for juniors (under 19), and seniors (over 65). All entry fees \$3 more at site. Reg: 8:00 - 8:30. Rounds at 8:45, 10:00, 1:00 and 3:15. Send entries to Mary Nelson, 962 County Rd #20, Craig, Co 81625. (303) 824-4780. NS. NC. W.

February 4 - 5: **1995 Boulder Open**

4-SS, 40/2, SD/1. Coors Events Center, 28th. Street, Boulder. \$\$ (1850 b/100). 4 sections: **OPEN**, open to all. EF \$35 if rec'd by 2/1, \$42 at site. (\$\$750 b/25): 350 (200 G)-200 (125 G), U2200, U2100 each \$100. **UNDER 2000**, open to U2000. EF: \$30 if rec'd by 2/1, \$37 at site. \$\$ (450 b/25): 225-125, U1850 \$100. **UNDER 1700**, open to U1700. EF: \$25 if rec'd by 2/1, \$32 at site. \$\$ (375 b/25): 175-100, U1550 \$100. **UNDER 1400**, open to U1400. EF: \$23 if rec'd by 2/1, \$30 at site. \$\$ (275 b/25): 145-85, Unr. \$50. **ALL**, EF 25% off to Jrs., Srs. EF 50% off to Unrs. CSCA memb. req'd. \$12, OSA. Reg. 8:30-9:30 am. Rds. 10-4, 9-3. 1/2 pt. byes rds 1-3 if arranged in advance. Ent: Ron MacRall, P.O.Box 31585, Aurora, CO 80041. (303) 530-5490. NS. NC. W. **A COLORADO TOUR EVENT.**

March 4 - 5: **Colorado Springs Open**

5-SS, Rds 1-3 40/90 and 25/60, Rds 4-5 40/2 and 20/1. Ramada Inn, I-25 & Garden of the Gods Rd. One open section, EF \$21 if rec'd by 3/2, \$26 at site, \$5 off EF for juniors, seniors, unrateds. CSCA required. \$\$175, 125, other prizes per entries. Register 8:30 - 9:30 AM, Rds 10, 2:30, 7, 9, 3. Some housing available on request. \$1 from each EF is voluntary contribution to Professional Players Health & Benefits Fund. Hotel:(719) 594-0700. Richard Buchanan, 308 Ruxton Ave. Manitou Springs, CO 80829, (719) 685-1984. **USCF GRAND PRIX TOURNAMENT. COLORADO TOUR EVENT.**

CSCA SCHOLASTIC CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS

February 11: **Southern Qualifier**

Played at the North Junior High School in Colorado Springs. Contact Richard Buchanan (719) 685-1984 for complete details.

February 12: **Northern Qualifier**

Played at the Glendale Community Center, 999 So. Clermont, Denver, Co. Contact Debra Johnson (303) 399-3252 for complete details.

February 26: **Scholastic Finals**

Played at the Glendale Community Center, 999 So. Clermont, Denver, Co. Contact Debra Johnson (303) 399-3252 for complete details.

March 12: **Team Championships**

Played at the Glendale Community Center, 999 So. Clermont, Denver, Co. Contact Debra Johnson (303) 399-3252 for complete details.

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