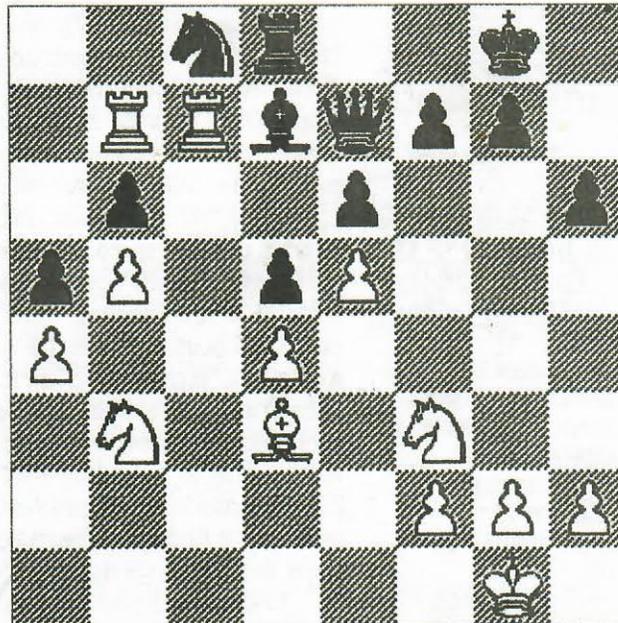


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and others)**

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## FROM THE EDITORS (UNTIL WE CAN COME UP WITH A BETTER TITLE!)

Welcome to another editor's debut issue of the *Colorado Chess Informant*. I hope that we can enjoy a long and happy co-existence. As many of you may know, since Buck abdicated the throne in 1994, we've had four new editors. Remember, this is a labor of love, not a paid position. What's my point!? **HELP!** Please make sure your submissions are timely and usable. Please provide submissions! A Readers' Showcase, Spotlight on Youth (which died for a lack of submissions some issues ago), Game of the Quarter, Letters to the Editors, games, positions, corrections, questions, or answers would all be welcome. Perhaps you'll see the return of the Psycho B-player column. If there is outdated or inaccurate information in the *Informant* (most especially in the area of clubs and places to play), please fill us in with the correct information. In other words, **we can't do this without your help!**

Now, down from the soapbox, and on with the goodies:

I hope you'll find this issue has everything you'd hope to see in your state chess magazine (except pictures – none were submitted!): You'll find an intriguing article by National Master Todd Bardwick on the chess habits of the Denver Broncos; Results and games from the Boulder Open, which could be Phillip Ponomarev's breakout tournament (For the under 2000 players out there, his games from Boulder all shared one very instructive theme (at least I learned something) – once you have a winning position, don't worry about being cute or pretty, just end your opponents' resistance!); Games from the Colorado Springs Open, which featured Michael Mulyar's most recent visit to the Colorado chess scene; The first half of Dan Avery's exhaustive look at the best games in Colorado for 1998; A look at Scholastic chess by one of its best representatives, Katie Roberts-Hoffman; The results from this spring's Storage Tek Scholastic Crosstables and some of the games from the Colorado Closed Championships, which featured the return to form of Randy Canney, and nice showings in the Scholastic section by Josh Bloomer and Sean Groves, and the most recent Colorado Tour standings update.

As to this debut issue: Please bear with us if you notice minor glitches or white space. In the making of this magazine, I've used two programs which weren't even installed on my computer until the last day of May! - I'm still learning. Some white space was a direct result of trying to pack in as many diagrams (in the right place) as possible. You will notice a couple of "please see ..." in relation to the diagrams. Again, this was done in an effort to conserve space. Nitpickers will find the "Page #" entries (and omissions) most annoying, and I do apologize (please see above note relating to "new programs"). Fortunately, I've learned enough this go-round that the same problems shouldn't crop up again. Otherwise, I think you'll find this issue embodies what *Colorado Chess* is all about, and I look forward to sharing many more good ones with you.

Last, but definitely not least, Ken Schwartz deserves much praise and thanks for his help, without which I would still be floundering in the world of my computer. Thanks Ken!!

Yours in chess,  
Mike Fuchs

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Please turn to page 36 for a list of contributors and other CSCA depts.

# BUCKSPEAK

by CSCA President Richard Buchanan

First of all, let me welcome on board our new co-editors of the *Colorado Chess Informant*. Mike Fuchs and Josh Smith are familiar faces around the chess scene. They know the people and the tournaments and are both regular competitors. So these are two guys who have been in on the action for some time. Mike, in addition, has been doing a great job as CSCA secretary for several years.

Mike and Josh are working hard at overcoming a major problem that we have seen a lot of in recent years: late *Informants*, often too late for the tournaments announced in them. We can all help with this. Get stuff sent in on time. Tournament organizers, please note the new addresses to send announcements and tournament reports.

We can all help keep the *Informant* a great magazine. Offer your help: go over games, help put out the mailings, write, proofread, take photographs...There are ways everyone can contribute.

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Well, it's summer. In Colorado Springs that starts out with the Territory Days street festival. Our chess booth did a brisk business. We had lots of people stopping by to play, and likewise many CS Chess Club members volunteering their time to run the booth. Good job, everybody! This is what builds chess.

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Election time again in USCF. This means the usual political squabbles and declarations of crises. Have these guys been studying the "real" politicians, or is it maybe the other way around? Anyway, it's very confusing. Is the USCF financially stable, or is it about to go out of existence due to financial mismanagement? There doesn't seem to be any middle ground on this one - I've rarely heard so many candidates warning of impending doom. Why, it wasn't that long ago that the new Executive Director, Mike Cavallo, was hailed by one and all as He Who Can Do No Wrong. Now, according to some, it is his mismanagement as well as the nasty behavior of perennial whipping boys Don Schultz and Bill Goichberg (USCF Prez & VP) that has brought us to the brink of...Well, you get the idea. To see what (some) people are saying, go to the Internet newsgroup rec.games.chess.politics and be ready for a rough ride.

Much of the controversy seems to focus around Tom Dorsch, the current USCF treasurer and a highly controversial chap. Again, no middle ground here - everybody either loves him or despises him.

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On a lighter note, I have been receiving e-mails from USCF concerning tournaments that have the word "Colorado" in their titles. Apparently this is a new USCF policy: you can't use the state's name in a tournament name without the official OK from the state affiliate. Here is an excerpt from a reply e-mail I recently sent USCF after they reported to me that Mary Nelson had the audacity to call her summer tournament the Northwest Colorado Open. After stating my feelings about the new apparent policy, I let sarcasm flow unrestrained:

"In any event I, the supreme ruler of Colorado chess, do hereby condescend to allow the subject M. Nelson to utilize the word 'Colorado' in the title of the aforementioned chess tournament." (The masses applaud, dancing girls strew flowers.)

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Speaking of tournaments, you will notice that we have made changes in the format of the Colorado Open. This is because of the time requirements of the site we are using for the tournament. I have even gone so far as to use sudden death secondary time limits (shudder!). The current schedule and time controls were worked out in a discussion among Board members at a Colorado Springs Chess Club meeting. I don't particularly like it, but it seems necessary for this year, anyway. The location we used last year was not available, and all the hotels I contacted were prohibitively expensive - the cheapest was \$900 for two small rooms. The VFW is available for much less than that, and that was the way I decided to go. Please let me know your feelings. And be sure to read the tournament announcement carefully. Another major change is that we are holding the CSCA Membership Meeting between rounds on Saturday, not Sunday as we usually do. The one-day Membership Meeting Open will also be held on Saturday.

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We say this every year, but one thing that would really help would be a careful study by a committee of Denver area players of the various places available to hold tournaments. Hotels, of course, but also lodges, campuses, community centers, etc. Bob Rasmussen did an outstanding job of this several years ago, but of course that's all long out of date. This would be a tremendous help to tournament organizers, and would keep us from having to go through all this for each tournament.

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So have a good summer, one and all. Support Colorado's summer tournaments, and come to the Membership Meeting on September 4 brimming over with ideas.

## Colorado Springs Open

Tournament report, game selections, and notes by Richard Buchanan unless otherwise indicated

Senior Master Michael Mulyar was back in Colorado in time to play in the Colorado Springs Open again this year, and he duly walked away with first prize with little visible effort. Outrating and outclassing the field as he does, his points seem to score themselves; of course, we all appreciate the skill and hard work it takes to play chess that well.

On the other boards, however, the games were hard fought, and there were surprises galore. Upsets came thick and fast, one after another, as top players gave up points and half-points to players they no doubt expected to beat easily. The young players were awesome: many, many points scored against higher-rated, experienced adult players.

For complete results, see the crosstable in the April *Informant* or on the CSCA Web page.

### ROUND ONE

You wouldn't expect many surprises this round, what with ratings differences of 600 points or more between opponents. But you would be wrong! This round gave a good idea of what the rest of the tournament would produce.

The biggest shock came on board two, where FM Renard Anderson, the Colorado State Champion, lost to Jon Tindall, rated 1583! Youngster Mitchell Thomas of California beat an experienced B player, while Mike Shedd and Shane Gaschler gave up half points to players rated more than 500 points below them. Even games where the high-rated player won were hard fought. This is why I like this tournament format. You never know what is going to happen!

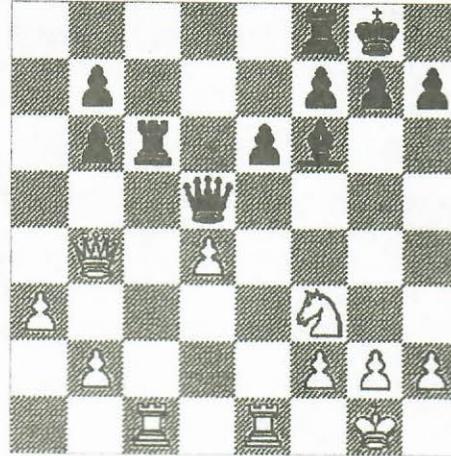
#### Leroy Hill - Justin Bartlow, TROMPOWSKY

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bg5 d5 3.e3 e6 4.Bd3 Be7 5. Nd2 0-0 6.f4 b6 7.c3 Bb7 8.g4 Nbd7 9. Qf3 c5 10.h4 Re8 11.Ne2 Nf8 12.Ng3 cxd4 13.exd4 Qc7 14.0-0-0 a5 15.Kb1 a4 16.Rc1 Qd7 17.Qe2 Rec8 18.f5 Qd6 19. Rhg1 Rc7 20.Bxf6 Bxf6 21.g5 Bd8 22.f6

g6 23.Qe3 a3 24.b3 Rac8 25.Ne2 Qd7 26.Nf3 Qe8 27.Ne5 Bc6 28.h5 Bb5 29. hxc6 Bxd3+ 30.Qxd3 fxc6 31.Rcf1 Kh8 32.Rh1 Ra7 33.f7 Qe7 34.Nxc6+ 1:0

#### Jon Tindall - Renard Anderson, SICILIAN

1.e4 c5 2.c3 Nf6 3.e5 Nd5 4.d4 cxd4 5. cxd4 e6 6.a3 d6 7.Nf3 Bd7 8.Be2 Bc6 9.0-0 Nd7 10.Bd2 Be7 11.Nc3 Nxc3 12. Bxc3 0-0 13.Re1 Rc8 14.Qd2 dxe5 15. Nxe5 Bd5 16.Bf3 Nb6 17.Ba5 Bxf3 18. Nxf3 Bf6 19.Rac1 Qd5 20.Bxb6 axb6 21. Qb4 Rc6



22.Rxc6 Qxc6 23.h3 h6 24.Re3 b5 25. Rb3 Qc1+ 26.Qe1 Qxe1+ 27.Nxe1 Bxd4 28.Rxb5 Rb8 29.Nc2 Bf6 30.Ne3 g6 31. Kf1 Kg7 32.Ke2 Bd4 33.a4 Ra8 34.a5 Ra7 35.Nc4 b6 36.Nxb6 Bxb6 37.axb6 Rb7 38.Kd3 Kf6 39.Kd4 Ke7 40.Kc5 Rb8 41.Kc6 Rc8+ 42.Kb7 Rc1 43.b4 Kd7 44.Ka7 1:0

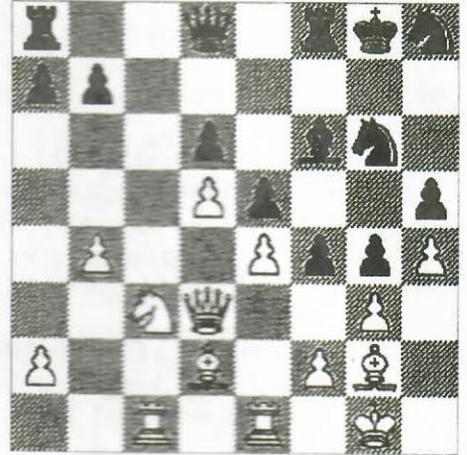
#### Dan Avery - Ron Rossi, QGD RAGOZIN

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 d5 4.Nc3 Bb4 5. Bg5 h6 6.Bh4 c5 7.dxc5 Nbd7 8.Rc1 Qa5 9.Qc2 0-0 10.a3 Bxc3+ 11.Qxc3 Qxc3+ 12.Rxc3 Ne4 13.Rc2 Ndx5 14. cxd5 g5 15.Bg3 exd5 16.Nd4 Ne6 17. Nxe6 fxe6 18.f3 Nxc3 19.hxc3 Kg7 20. Rc7+ Kg6 21.e3 Rh8 22.Bd3+ Kf6 23.f4 gxf4 24.gxf4 e5 25.Bh7 exf4 26.exf4 Re8+ 27.Kf2 Re7 28.Rxh6+ Kg7 29. Rxe7+ Kxh6 30.Bd3 Kh5 31.Rh7+ Kg4 32.g3 1:0

#### John Schultz - Matthew Galman, KING'S INDIAN

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5. Nf3 0-0 6.Be2 e5 7.0-0 Nc6 8.d5 Ne7 9. b4 Nh5 10.Re1 f5 11.Ng5 Nf4 12.Bf1 h6 13.Nf3 g5 14.g3 Nfg6 15.

Rb1 f4 16.c5 Bg4 17.Bg2 h5 18.Qd3 Bxf3 19.Bxf3 g4 20.Bg2 Nh8 21.h4 Neg6 22.cxd6 cxd6 23.Bd2 Bf6 24.Rbc1



24...Bxh4 25.Nb5 Bxc3 26.fxc3 fxc3 27. Qxc3 Qb6+ 28.Qe3 Qxb5 29.Qg5 Qb6+ 30.Kh2 Rf7 31.Rc2 Qd8 32.Rec1 Qxc3 33.Bxc3 Rxf8 34.Kg3 Nf4 35.Bh6 Re8 36.Rc7 Nhg6 37.Bf1 Rec7 38.Rc8+ Kh7 39.Bg5 Rd7 40.Bb5 Nd3! 41.Bxd3 Rf3+ 42.Kg2 Rxd3 43.R8c7 Rg7 44.Rxg7+ Kxc7 45.Rc7+ Kf8 46.Rc8+ Kf7 47. Rc7+ Ke8 48.Rxb7 Nf4+ 49.Kf2 g3+ 0:1

#### Josh Wallace - Mike Shedd, SICILIAN

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 a6 6.Be2 e5 7.Nf3 Be6 8.Bg5 h6 9. Bh4 Nbd7 10.0-0 Nc5 11.b4 Ncd7 12. Nd5 Bxd5 13.Qxd5 g5 14.Qxb7 gxh4 15. Nxb4 Rb8 16.Qxa6 Nxe4 17.Nf5 Qg5 18. Ng3 Rg8 19.Bb5 Nf6 20.f4 exf4 21. Rae1+ Kd8 22.Qa5+ Rb6 23.Qa8+ Nb8 24.Qa5 Qxb5 25.Rxf4 Be7 26.Qa7 Rb7 27.Qd4 Qb6 (OK, that wraps it up, right? Easy win for Black, two pieces vs. two pawns. But Josh hangs in there and keeps fighting.) 28.Qxb6+ Rxb6 29.Nf5 Bf8 30. Nxb6 Bxb6 31.Rxf6 Bd2 32.Ref1 Bxb4 33.Rxf7 Bc5+ 34.Kh1 Nd7 35.c3 Rb2 36. g3 Rxa2 37.Rh7 Ne5 38.Rd1 Nd7 (How about 38...Rf8 looking at ...R8f2 and ... Nf3?) 39.Rf1 Rf8? 40.Rxd7+ Kxd7 41. Rxf8 Ra3 42.c4 d5? 43.Rf5! (And there goes the last Black pawn.) Rd3 44.Rxd5+ Rxd5 1/2:1/2

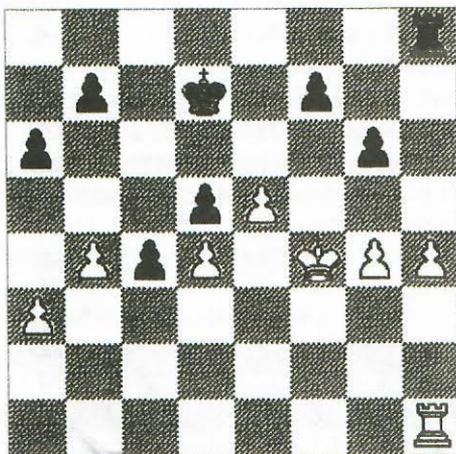
#### Edwin Schreiber - Dean Brown, SCOTCH

1.e4 e5 2.d4 exd4 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.Nxd4 Nxd4 5.Qxd4 d6 6.Bc4 Be6 7.Bxe6 fxe6 8.Qc4 Qd7 9.Nc3 a6 10.Be3 Ne7 11.0-0-0 Nc6 12.f4 g6 13.h4 0-0-0 14.h5 Bg7 15.

h6 Bxc3 16.Qxc3 e5 17.fxe5 Nxe5 18. Bd4 Qe7 19.Bxe5 dxe5 20.Qe3 b6 21. Rxd8+ Rxd8 22.Rf1 Rf8 23.Rf3 Rd8 24. g4 Qd7 25.Qe2 Qxg4 26.Qxa6+ Kb8 27. Qe2 Qg1+ 28.Qf1 Qg5+ 29.Kb1 Qxh6 30.a4 Kb7 31.a5 Ra8 (...Qd2!) 32.axb6 Kxb6 33.Rf6+ c6 34.Qc4 Qh1+ 35.Rf1 Qh4 36.Qb4+ Ka6 37.Rf7 Qh1+ 38.Ka2 Qg1 39.Qb7+ Ka5 40.Qxa8+ Kb5 41. Rb7+ Kc4 42.Qa4+ 1:0

**Shane Gaschler - Roy Heath, CARO-KANN**

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.Ne2 e6 5.Ng3 Bg6 6.c4 Bxb1 7.Rxb1 Qa5+ 8.Bd2 Bb4 9.a3 Bxd2+ 10.Qxd2 Qxd2+ 11.Kxd2 Nd7 12.cxd5 cxd5 13.Rc1 Kd8 14.Bd3 g6 15.h4 h5 16.Ne2 Ne7 17.f3 Rc8 18.b4 Rxc1 19.Rxc1 Nb6 20.Nc3 a6 21.Ke3 Nc4+ 22.Bxc4 dxc4 23.Rh1 Nd5+ 24. Nxd5 exd5 25.g4 Kd7 26.Kf4 hxg4 27. fxd4



27...g5+ 28.Kxg5 Ke6 29.Kf4 c3 30.h5 Rc8 31.Rc1 c2 32.Ke3 Rc3+ 33.Kd2 Rxa3 34.Kxc2 Rg3 35.Rh1 Rxg4 36.h6 Rg8 37.h7 Rh8 38.Kb3 f6 39.exf6 Kxf6 40.Ka4 b6 41.Rh6+ Kf5 42.Rxb6 Rxh7 43.Rxa6 Ke4 44.b5 Kxd4 45.Kb4 Rh4 1/2:1/2

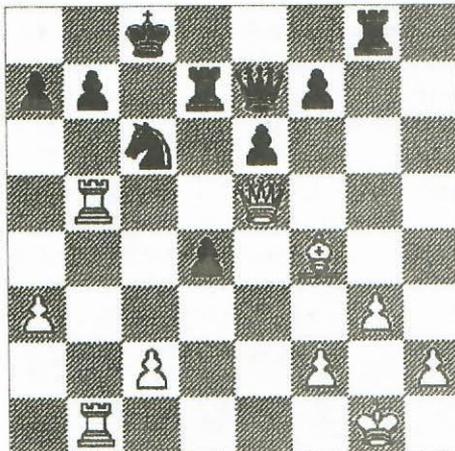
**Gary Bagstad - Frank Shotwell, CARO-KANN**

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 b6 4.Nf3 Nd7 5.e5 e6 (As in the Bloomer - Wutt game, the opening turns into a French a tempo or two down - not a good idea.) 6.Be2 Bb7 7.0-0 c5 8.Ng5 g6 9.Bg4 Bg7 10.Nb5 Bf8 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.Nxe6 Qe7 13.Nd6+ Qxd6 14.exd6 Rc8 15.Nc7+ Kd8 16. Ne6+ Ke8 17.Re1 Bxd6 18.Nxc5+ 1:0

**Sean Scott - Dain Lewis, FRENCH**

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e5 c5 5.a3

Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 Nc6 7.Qg4 Nge7 8.Qxg7 Rg8 9.Qxh7 exd4 10.Nf3 Qa5 11.Bd2 Qc5 12.Qd3 Nf5 13.g3 Bd7 14.Bg2 0-0-0 15.0-0 dxc3 16.Bxc3 d4 17.Bd2 Nxe5 18. Nxe5 Qxe5 19.Bf4 Qc5 20.Rab1 Bc6 21. Rb4 Ne7 22.Bxc6 Nxc6 23.Rb5 Qe7 24. Rfb1 Rd7 25.Qe4 Nd8 26.Qe5 Nc6



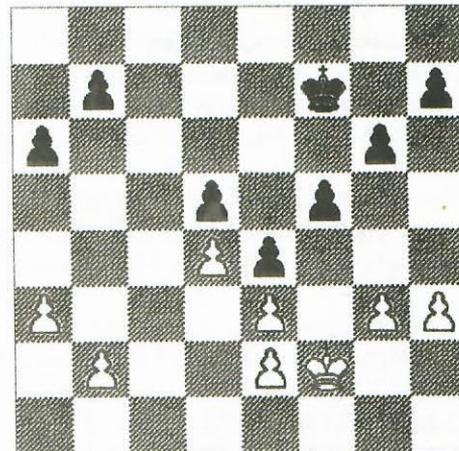
27.Rc5 Rc7 28.Qxc7+ Qxc7 29.Bxc7 Kxc7 30.h4 Rh8 31.Rg5 Rh7 32.Kg2 Ne7 33.Rh1 Kc6 34.Rd1 1:0

**Chong Kim - Michael Kass, FRENCH**

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Be2 exd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.0-0 Nge7 9.Nc3 a6 10.Na4 Qa7 11.Nc5 Rd8 12.a3 Nf5 13.b4 Be7 14.g4 Nh4 15.Nxh4 Bxh4 16.g5 h6 17.f4 hxg5 18.fxd5 b6 19.Nxa6 Bc8 20.b5 Bxa6 21.bxc6 Bxe2 22.Qxe2 Rc8 23.Rf3 Qa4 24.Be3 Rxc6 25.Ra2 Rh5 26.Rxf7 Rxf7 27.Bxg5 Qxd4+ 28. Qe3 Rc1+ 29.Kg2 Qg4+ 30.Qg3 Bxg3 31.hxg3 Kxf7 32.Rf2+ Kg8 33.Bxc1 Qe4+ 34.Kh2 Qxe5 35.Bf4 Qh5+ 36.Kg2 e5 37.Bd2 d4 38.Bb4 e4 39.Rf4 Qe2+ 40. Rf2 Qd3 41.Rf8+ Kh7 42.Kh3 e3 43.Rf3 Qe4 44.Rf4 Qe6+ 45.Kh2 d3 46.Rd4 d2 47.Bxd2 exd2 48.Rxd2 Qh6+ 0:1

**Peter Cohen - Josh Smith, ENGLISH**

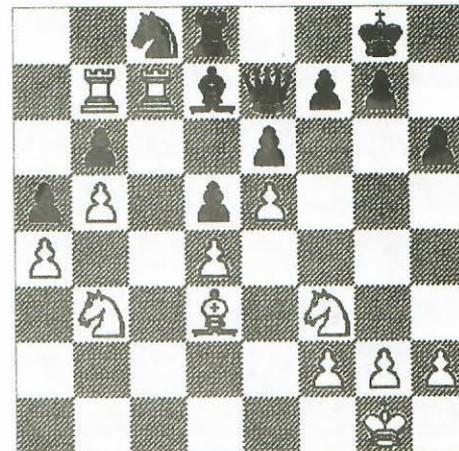
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39.g4 fxg4 40.hxg4 Kf6 41.Kg3 Kg5 42. Kh3 h6 43.b4 h5 44.gxh5 Kxh5 45.a4 Kg5 46.b5 Kh5 47.bxa6 bxa6 48.a5 g5 49.Kg3 g4 50.Kg2 Kg6 51.Kg3 Kh5 52. Kh2 Kh4 53.Kg2 g3 54.Kg1 Kh5 55.Kg2 Kh4 56.Kg1 Kh3 1/2:1/2

**Josh Bloomer - Larry Wutt, CARO-KANN**

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 e6?! 4.Nf3 h6 5.Bd3 Nd7 6.0-0 c5 7.c3 Ne7 8.Re1 exd4 9.cxd4 Nc6 10.a3 Nb6 11.b4 Bd7 12.Nbd2 a5 13.b5 Na7 14.a4 Bb4 15.Ba3 Bxa3 16. Rxa3 Rc8 17.Ra1 Rc3 18.Nb3 Nc4 19. Rc1 Nb2 20.Rxc3 Nxd1 21.Rxd1 b6 22. Rdc1 0-0 23.Rc7 Nc8 24.Rb7 Qe7 25. Rcc7 Rd8



26.Nc5 bxc5 27.dxc5 Qe8 28.c6 Bxc6 29. bxc6 Qf8 30.Nd4 Re8 31.Nb5 Re7? 32. Rxc8 Qxc8 33.Rxe7 Qxc6 34.Rc7 Qxc7 35.Nxc7 and White won . 1:0

## ROUND TWO

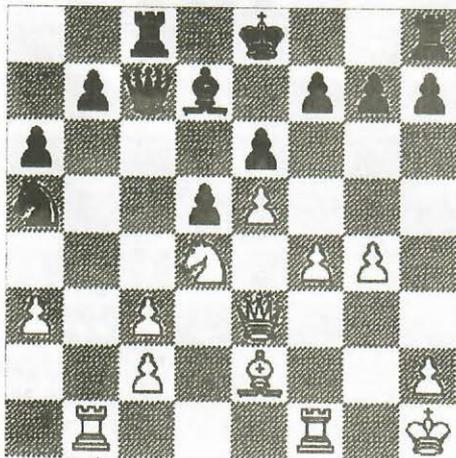
The fun continues: Experts Eric Billaux and Dan Avery tumble to B players, while Leroy Hill and Andy Hortillosa give up draws. Mighty Jon Tindall scores another upset, as does high school star Sean Groves. Aldo Mendoza makes Michael Mulyar do some work to score the point - a well fought game.

**Aldo Mendoza - Michael Mulyar, ALEKHIN**

1.e4 Nf6 2.Bc4 e6 3.e5 Nd5 4.d4 d6 5. Nf3 Be7 6.Nc3 Nb6 7.Bd3 Nc6 8.a3 dxe5 9.dxe5 Nd7 10.Bf4 g5 11.Bg3 g4 12.Nd2 Ndx e5 13.Bb5 Bf6 14.Qe2 Bd7 15.Nde4 Bg7 16.0-0-0 Qe7 17.Bxe5 Bxe5 18.Qxg4 0-0-0 19.f4 f5 20.Qg3 Rhg8 21.Qf2 fxe4 22.Bxc6 Bxc6 23.fxe5 Qg5+ 24.Kb1 e3 25.Qf6 Qxf6 26.exf6 Rdf8 27.Rhg1 Rrg2 28.Rxg2 Bxg2 29.Re1 Rxf6 30.Rxe3 Bc6 31.Kc1 Kd7 32.Kd2 Rf2+ 33.Re2 Rxe2+ 34.Kxe2 Kd6 35.Nd1 Ke5 36.Ke3 Kf5 37.Nf2 e5 38.c4 a6 39.b3 h5 40.b4 b6 41. Nd3 Bg2 42.a4 Bf1 43.a5 bxa5 44.bxa5 Bxd3 45.Kxd3 c5 46.Ke3 e4 47.h4 Ke5 0:1

**David Langlois - Sean Groves, FRENCH**

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e5 c5 5.a3 Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 Ne7 7.f4 Nbc6 8.Nf3 Bd7 9.Be2 Qb6 10.0-0 Nf5 11.Kh1 cxd4 12. g4 Ne3 13.Bxe3 dxe3 14.Qd3 Rc8 15. Nd4 a6 16.Rab1 Qc7 17.Qxe3 Na5



18.f5 Qxc3 19.Qf4 Rc7 20.fxe6 Bxe6 21. Nxe6 fxe6 22.Bd3 Qxa3 23.Rb6 Nc6 24. Rfb1 Qe7 25.Qa4 0-0 26.Bxa6 Ra8 27. Qb3 Rxa6 0:1

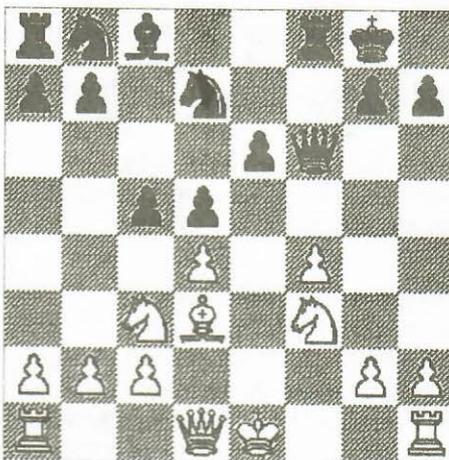
**Joe Bihlmeyer - Eric Billaux, QUEEN'S INDIAN**

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.Bg5 Be7 4.e3 c5 5.c4

cxd4 6.exd4 0-0 7.Nc3 b6 8.Bd3 Bb7 9.0-0 d5 10.Re1 dxc4 11.Bxc4 Nc6 12.Be3 Rc8 13.Qe2 Nb4 14.Ne5 Nbd5 15.Bd2 Nxc3 16.bxc3 Ne4 17.Qd3 Nxd2 18. Qxd2 Qc7 19.Rac1 Bf6 20.Bb3 Bxe5 21. Rxe5 Rfd8 22.Rg5 h6 23.Rg3 Kh8 24. Qe3 b5 25.Re1 Bd5 26.Qe5 Qxe5 27. Rxe5 Bxb3 28.axb3 Rxd4 29.Kf1 Rd5 30.Rxd5 exd5 31.Ke2 g6 32.Kd3 Rc6 33. Kd4 Rf6 34.Rf3! Rxf3 35.gxf3 a5 36. Kxd5 a4 37.bxa4 bxa4 38.Kc4 Kg7 39. Kb4 Kf6 40.Kxa4 Ke5 41.Kb5 1:0

**Jason Caldwell - Dan Avery, FRENCH**

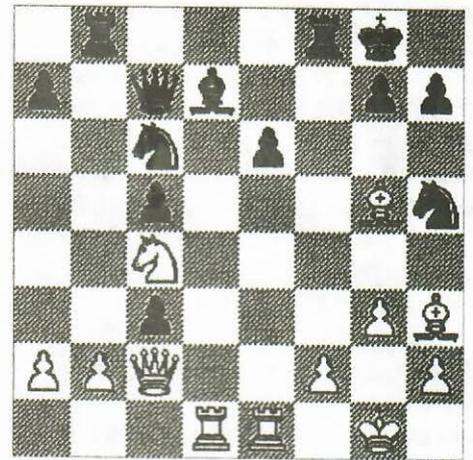
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5. e5 Nfd7 6.Bxe7 Qxe7 7.f4 0-0 8.Nf3 c5 9. Bd3 f6 10.exf6 Qxf6



11.Ng5 Qxf4 12.Bxh7+ Kh8 13.Qh5 Nf6 14.Nf7+ Rxf7 15.Qxf7 Kxh7 16.Rf1 Qh4+ 17.g3 Qg5 18.Rf4 Ng4 19.h4 Nh6 20.hxg5 Nxf7 21.Rxf7 Kg8 22.g6 Nc6 23. dxc5 Ne5 24.Rc7 Nxc6 25.0-0-0 Nf8 26. Nb5 Bd7 27.Rxb7 Bc6 28.Rxa7 Rb8 29. Nd4 Be8 30.Re1 Bf7 31.Re7 Ng6 32. R7xe6 Bxe6 33.Rxe6 Kf7 34.c6 Ne7 35. Rd6 Rb4 36.c3 Ra4 37.a3 Rc4 38.Kc2 Rc5 39.b4 Rc4 40.a4 Nc8 41.Rd7+ Ke8 42.Rc7 Kd8 43.Ne6+ Ke8 44.Rxc8+ 1:0

**Matthew Galman - Nick Emery, KING'S INDIAN ATTACK**

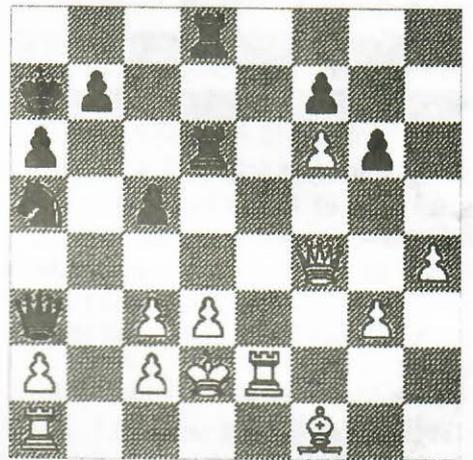
1.e4 e6 2.d3 d5 3.Nd2 Nf6 4.Ngf3 Be7 5. g3 0-0 6.Bg2 c5 7.0-0 Nc6 8.Re1 dxe4 9. dxe4 Qc7 10.c3 b6 11.Nc4 Rd8 12.Qa4 Bd7 13.Qc2 Nh5 14.e5 b5 15.Na3 b4 16. Nc4 f5 17.exf6 Bxf6 18.Ng5 Bxg5 19. Bxg5 Rf8 20.Rad1 Rab8 21.Bh3 bxc3



22.Rxd7 Nd4 23.Bxe6+ Kh8 24.Qe4 Qxd7 25.Bxd7 Nf3+ 26.Kg2 Nxe1+ 27. Qxe1 cxb2 28.Qb1 Nf6 29.Bxf6 Rxf6 30. Ba4 Re6 31.Bb3 Re2 32.Nxb2 and White won (1:0).

**Mike Fuchs - Edwin Schreiber, SICILIAN**

1.e4 c5 2.Bc4 e6 3.f4 d5 4.exd5 exd5 5. Be2 Nf6 6.Nf3 Bd6 7.d3 Qc7 8.g3 Bh3 9. Bd2 Nc6 10.Nc3 a6 11.Ng5 Bg2 12.Rg1 h6 13.Rxg2 hxg5 14.fxg5 d4 15.gxf6 dxc3 16.Bxc3 g6 17.Bf1 0-0-0 18.Qg4+ Kb8 19.0-0-0 Be5 20.Re2 Bxc3 21.bxc3 Qa5 22.Qc4 Rd7 23.Rde1 Ka7 24.h4 Qa3+ 25.Kd2 Na5 26.Qg4 Rd6 27.Qf4 Rhd8 28.Ra1?

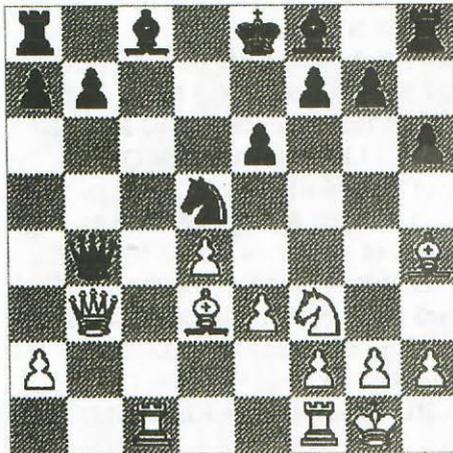


28...Rxd3+! 29.cxd3 Qb2+ 30.Ke1 Qxa1+ 31.Kf2 Qxc3 32.Qc7 Qxf6+ 33. Kg1 Nc6 34.Bg2 Rxd3 35.Re?? Qxe7 0:1

**Josh Smith - Roy Heath, SLAV**

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Nbd7 5. e3 h6 6.Bh4 Ne4 7.Nc3 Qa5 8.Qb3 e6 9. Bd3 Nxc3 10.bxc3 dxc4 11.Bxc4 Nb6 12. Bd3 Nd5 13.Re1 c5 14.0-0 [14.Bb5+! Bd7 15.Bxd7+ Kxd7 16.Qxb7+ Qc7 17.

Ne5+ Kd6 18.Qxa8 g5 19.Qe8 -Fritz 4 -  
ed] cxd4 15.cxd4 [Bb5+! - ed] Qb4



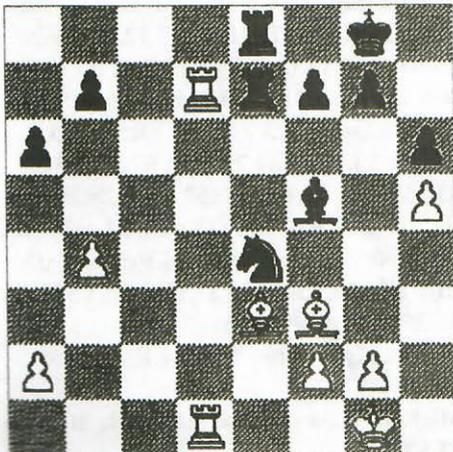
16.Rxc8+ Rxc8 17.Bb5+ Rc6 18.Qxb4  
Bxb4 19.Ne5 g5 20.Bg3 a6 21.Nxc6 axb5  
22.Nxb4 Nxb4 23.Rb1 Nxa2 24.Ra1  
1:0

### ROUND THREE

Jon Tindall was finally stopped, but young Jason Caldwell kept his winning streak going by beating Expert Dave Landers. Other youngsters scoring big upsets were Sean Cabrera, Michael Munafo, and Mitchell Thomas.

**Michael Mulyar - Edwin Schreiber, SICILIAN**

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e5 3.Nf3 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nc6  
5.Nc3 a6 6.e4 e6 7.Be2 Bb4 8.Qd3 0-0  
9.0-0 Bxc3 10.bxc3 d5 11.cxd5 exd5 12.  
exd5 Nxd4 13.Qxd4 Qxd5 14.Qb4 Qe4  
15.Bf3 Qxb4 16.cxb4 Re8 17.Be3 Ne4  
18.Rac1 Re7 19.Rfd1 Bf5 20.Rd5 Bg6  
21.h4 h6 22.h5 Bh7 23.Rcd1 Rae8 24.  
Rd7 Bf5



25.Rxe7 Rxe7 26.Rd8+ Kh7 27.g4 Ng5  
28.Bxg5 hxg5 29.gxf5 f6 30.Rb8 Re1+  
31.Kg2 Ra1 32.Bd5 1:0

**Josh Bloomer - Andy Rea, ALEKHIN**  
1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.d4 d6 4.Nf3 Bg4 5.  
Be2 e6 6.0-0 Nc6 7.c4 Nb6 8.exd6 cxd6  
9.b3 Be7 10.Nbd2 Bf6 11.Bb2 d5 12.c5  
Nd7 13.Rc1 0-0 14.Re1 Rc8 15.Ne5 Bxe5  
16.dxe5 Bf5 17.Bb5 b6 18.cxb6 Qxb6 19.  
Bxc6 Rxc6 20.Rxc6 Qxc6 21.Nf3 Qa6  
22.a3 Nc5 23.Re3 Rb8 24.Nd4 Bg6 25.  
Rc3 Nd3 26.Qe2 Rc8 27.Rxc8+ Qxc8 28.  
Nf3 a5 29.Qd2 Kf8 30.Nh4 Nxb2 31.  
Nxc6+ hxg6 32.Qxb2 Qc5 33.b4 axb4  
34.axb4 Qb5 35.Qc3 Ke7 36.Qc7+ Qd7  
37.Qc5+ Kd8 38.Kf1 Qe7 39.Qd4 Kc8  
40.Qb6 Qc7 41.Qa6+ Kd7 42.b5 g5 43.  
g3 g4 44.Kg2 d4 45.b6 Qxe5 46.Qa7+  
Kc6 47.b7? (47 h3) Qe4+ 48.Kg1 Qb1+  
49.Kg2 Qxb7 50.Qxd4 f5 51.Qd1 Kc5+  
52.Kg1 Qe4 53.Qd2 e5 54.Qg5 Qb1+ 55.  
Kg2 Qb7+ 56.Kg1 Qd7 57.Qc1+ Kd6  
58.Qa3+ Ke6 59.Qa6+ Kf7 60.Qc4+  
Kg6 61.Qc5 f4 62.gxf4 exf4 63.Qc2+ Qf5  
64.Qc6+ Kg5 65.Qb7 Qe5 66.Qb1 g3 67.  
hxc3 fxc3 68.Qc1+ Kh5 69.Qd1+ Kh4  
70.Qa4+ Kg5 71.Qd1 gxf2+ 72.Kxf2  
Qh2+ 73.Ke3 Qf4+ 74.Kd3 Qd6+ 75.  
Ke2 Qxd1+ 76.Kxd1 Kf4 77.Ke1 Kg3  
78.Kf1 g5 0:1

**Joe Bihlmeyer - Matthew Galman, KING'S INDIAN**

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.Nf3 d6 5.  
g3 0-0 6.Bg2 Nbd7 7.0-0 e5 8.e4 exd4 9.  
Nxd4 Re8 10.Re1 c6 11.Nc2 Qc7 12.Ne3  
a5 13.Qc2 Nc5 14.Rb1 Re7 15.b3 Bg4  
16.Bb2 Rae8 17.Nxg4 Nxg4 18.Rbd1 f5  
19.Qd2 fxe4 20.Qxd6 Qxd6 21.Rxd6  
Nd3 0:1

**David Landers - Jason Caldwell, ENGLISH**

1.c4 c5 2.Nc3 g6 3.e4 Bg7 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.  
Be2 d6 6.0-0 Bg4 7.d3 Nf6 8.Be3 0-0 9.  
Qd2 a6 10.Bh6 Rb8 11.Bxg7 Kxg7 12.h3  
Bxf3 13.Bxf3 b5 14.b3 Nd4 15.Nd5 Nxd5  
16.exd5 e5 17.dxe6 Nxf3+ 18.gxf3 fxe6  
19.Qe3 e5 20.Kg2 Rf4 21.Rg1 Qf6 22.  
Rae1 Rf8 23.Re2 Rxf3 24.Qd2 b4 25.Kf1  
Qf5 26.h4 Rxd3 27.Qc2 Rh3 28.Qxf5  
Rxf5 29.Rd2 Rf6 30.Rg4 h5 31.Re4 Kf7  
32.Kg2 Rhf3 33.Re3 R3f4 34.f3 Rxh4 35.  
a3 a5 36.axb4 axb4 37.Ra2 Rd4 38.Ra7+  
Ke6 39.Ra8 Kf5 40.Kg3 g5 41.Rh8 h4+  
42.Kf2 Rd2+ 43.Ke1 Rb2 44.Rd3 Kf4  
45.Rh5 Rg6 46.Rh8 Kg3 47.Rf8 Kg2 48.  
Rh8 h3 49.f4 h2 50.f5 Rf6 51.Rdh3  
h1=Q+ 52.Rxh1 Rb1+ 0:1

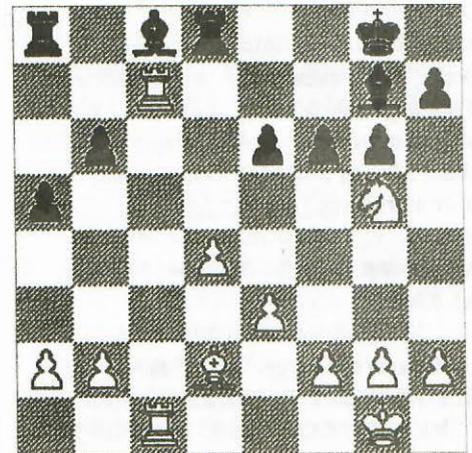
**Eric Billaux - Dan Cabrera, SICILIAN**  
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.  
Nc3 a6 6.Bg5 e6 7.f4 Be7 8.Qf3 Qc7 9.0-0  
0-0 10.g4 b5 11.Bxf6 Bxf6 12.g5 Be7  
13.Bd3 Bb7 14.Qh5 g6 15.Qh6 Re8 16.  
Rhg1 Nd7 17.Rg3 Bf8 18.Qh4 Bg7 19.  
Nce2 Rac8 20.Rh3 Nf8 21.f5 e5 22.Nb3  
a5 23.f6 Bh8 24.Nd2 Ba6 25.Nf1 b4 26.  
Ne3 Bb7 27.Ng4 1:0

**Dan Avery - Dain Lewis, BENONI**

1.d4 g6 2.c4 Bg7 3.e4 c5 4.d5 d6 5.Be2  
Nd7 6.Nf3 a6 7.0-0 Ngf6 8.Nc3 0-0 9.Ne1  
Qc7 10.f4 Rb8 11.Nf3 Ne8 12.a4 Bxc3  
13.bxc3 b5 14.axb5 axb5 15.cxb5 c4 16.  
Nd4 Qc5 17.Kh1 Ndf6 18.Bf3 Bd7 19.  
Ba3 Qc8 20.Nc6 Bxc6 21.bxc6 1:0

**Sean Cabrera - Aldo Mendoza, GRUNFELD**

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.Qc2 d5 5.  
Nf3 Nc6 6.e3 0-0 7.cxd5 Nxd5 8.Nxd5  
Qxd5 9.Bc4 Qd6 10.0-0 Nb4 11.Qb3 e6  
12.Bd2 Nc6 13.Rfd1 b5 14.Bxb5 a6 15.  
Bxc6 Qxc6 16.Rac1 Qb6 17.Qxb6 cxb6  
18.Rc7 Rd8 19.Rdc1 a5 20.Ng5 f6

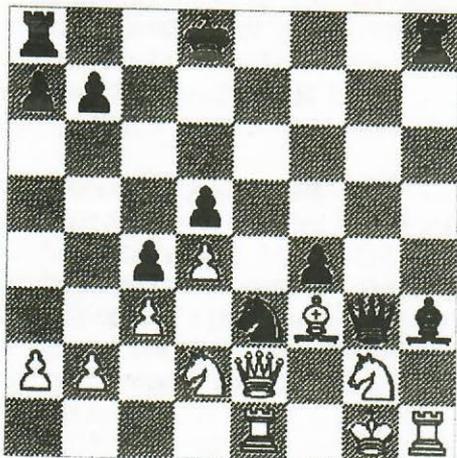


21.Nf7 Rf8 22.Nd6 Ba6 23.R7c6 Rab8  
24.Bxa5 bxa5 25.Rxa6 Rxb2 26.Rxa5  
Rd8 27.Ne4 f5 28.Nc5 Rc8 29.g3 Rd2 30.  
Kg2 e5 31.dxe5 Bxe5 32.Nb3 Rxc1 33.  
Nxd2 Bc3 34.Ra8+ Kg7 35.Nb3 Rc2 36.  
Rc8 Kf6 37.Nd4 Rc1 38.Nb5 Bb2 39.  
Rxc1 Bxc1 40.Kf3 Ke5 41.Nc7 Ba3 42.  
Nb5 Bb4 43.Nd4 Bc3 44.a4 g5 45.a5 g4+  
46.Ke2 Kd5 47.a6 Bxd4 48.exd4 1:0

**Mitchell Thomas - Richard Moore, QP LONDON**

1.d4 e6 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Bf4 d5 4.e3 c5 5.c3  
Nc6 6.Nbd2 Be7 7.Bd3 Nd7 8.Qc2 f5 9.  
h3 Nf6 10.g4 c4 11.Be2 Ne4 12.gxf5 exf5  
13.Rg1 g5 14.Nxe4 gxf4 15.Ned2 fxe3 16.  
fxe3 Bh4+ 17.Kf1 Qe7 18.Qd1 Qxe3 19.

Nxh4 Qxh3+ 20.Ng2 h5 21.Kf2 f4 22.  
Rh1 Qg3+ 23.Kf1 Bh3 24.Bxh5+ Kd8  
25.Bf3 Ne7 26.Qe2 Nf5 27.Re1 Ne3+ 28.  
Kg1



28...Kc7 29.Nf1 Qg6 30.Nxe3 fxe3 31.  
Qxe3 Rae8 32.Qf4+ Kb6 33.Rxe8 Qxe8  
34.Qd6+ Ka5 35.Qxd5+ b5 36.Qc5 a6  
37.Qc7+ Ka4 38.Bd1# 1:0

## ROUND FOUR

Jason Caldwell was finally stopped. Katie Roberts-Hoffman also gave up a full point, a rare event these days. Mitchell Thomas, Josh Wallace, and Dain Lewis scored more upsets. After this round, Michael Mulyar and Matt Galman had the only 4-0 scores.

Adam Weissbarth - Michael Mulyar,  
ALEKHIN

1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.c4 Nb6 4.d4 d6 5.  
exd6 cxd6 6.Nc3 g6 7.a4 a5 8.Nf3 Bg7 9.  
Be3 0-0 10.Rc1 Bg4 11.b3 d5 12.c5 Nc8  
13.h3 Bxf3 14.Qxf3 e6 15.Bd3 Nc6 16.  
Nb5 N8a7 17.Qd1 Qf6 18.0-0 Nxb5 19.  
Bxb5 Nxd4 20.Bxd4 Qxd4 21.c6 bxc6 22.  
Rxc6 Qf4 23.Qe2 Rfc8 24.g3 Qf5 25.  
Kg2 Rxc6 26.Bxc6 Rb8 27.Bb5 Rc8 28.  
Bd3 Qf6 29.Rb1 Qc3 30.h4 e5 0:1

Matthew Galman - Jason Caldwell,  
DUTCH

1.d4 e6 2.Nf3 f5 3.g3 Nf6 4.Bg2 d5 5.0-0  
Bd6 6.c4 c6 7.Bf4 Bxf4 8.gxf4 0-0 9.  
Nbd2 Nbd7 10.c5 b6 11.b4 bxc5 12.bxc5  
Rb8 13.Re1 Qa5 14.Qc2 Ba6 15.e3 Ne4  
16.Rab1 Bb5 17.Nb3 Qa6 18.Bf1 Bxf1  
19.Rxf1 Rb4 20.Nbd2 Rfb8 21.Rxb4  
Rxb4 22.Rb1 Nxd2 23.Nxd2 Qb5 24.  
Rxb4 Qxb4 25.Nf3 Kf7 26.Ng5+ Ke7 27.  
Nxh7 Nf6 28.Ng5 Ne4 29.Qe2 a5 30.Kg2  
Nf6 31.Qa6 Qd2 32.Qxc6 Ng4 33.Qxe6+

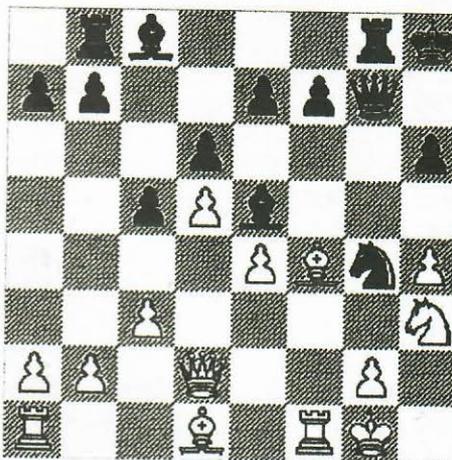
Kd8 34.Nf7+ Kc7 35.Qd6+ Kb7 36.  
Qxd5+ Kb8 37.Qf3 Qxa2 38.Nd6 Qb2  
39.Nc4 Qa2 40.Nb6 a4 41.Qa8+ 1:0

Mike Shedd - Leroy Hill, ENGLISH

1.c4 g5 2.d4 h6 3.h4 gxh4 4.Nf3 d6 5.  
Rhx4 Bg7 6.Nc3 Nc6 7.e3 e5 8.d5 Nce7  
9.e4 Ng6 10.Rh1 Nf6 11.Be2 Qe7 12.Nh2  
Bd7 13.Be3 a6 14.Qd2 0-0-0 15.0-0-0  
Nxe4 16.Nxe4 f5 17.Nxd6+ Qxd6 18.c5  
Qf6 19.Qa5 f4 20.Bd2 Bf5 21.c6 bxc6  
22.Bxa6+ Kd7 23.Bb4 Bf8 24.dxc6+ Ke8  
25.Bxf8 Qxf8 26.Rxd8+ Kxd8 27.Rd1+  
Ke8 28.Bc4 Qg7 29.Qa7 Rh7 30.Qb8+  
1:0

Renard Anderson - Shane Gaschler,  
SICILIAN

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.c3 Nf6 4.Bd3 g6 5.Bc2  
Bg7 6.0-0 0-0 7.d3 Nc6 8.Nbd2 Rb8 9.d4  
Nd7 10.d5 Nce5 11.Ne1 (Renard's  
scoresheet marks this move?! and recom-  
mends 11 Ng5!) g5 12.h4 g4 13.f4 gxf3  
14.Ndxf3 Ng4 15.Ng5 Nde5 16.Nef3 h6  
17.Nh3 Kh8 18.Nxe5 Bxe5 19.Qe1 Rg8  
20.Bd1 Qf8 21.Bf4 Qg7 22.Qd2



22...Ne3 23.Bxe5 dxe5 24.Rf2 Nxd1 25.  
Rxd1 Bxh3 26.Rdf1 f6 27.Kh1 Bd7 28.  
d6 Bb5 29.c4! Bxc4 30.Rc1 Ba6 31.dxe7  
Rbe8 32.Rxc5 Rxe7 33.Rd5 Qg6 34.Rd6  
Rf7 35.Rf5 Rfg7 36.Rxf6 Qxg2+ 37.  
Qxg2 Rxg2 38.Rxh6+ Kg7 39.Kxg2  
Kf7+ 40.Kf3 1:0

Joe Fromme - Eric Billaux, NIMZOIN-  
DIAN

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.a3 Bxc3+  
5.bxc3 c5 6.e3 Nc6 7.Nf3 0-0 8.Bd3 d6 9.  
e4 e5 10.d5 Ne7 11.0-0 Ng6 12.Be3 Bg4  
13.h3 Bd7 14.Kh2 Qc8 15.Ng1 Ne8 16.f3  
f5 17.g4 fxe4 18.hxe4 Nf6 19.g5 Nh5 20.  
Rf2 Nh4 21.Bf1 Qd8 22.Nh3 Bxh3 23.  
Bxh3 Qxg5 24.Qg1 Qh4 25.Bxf4 Nxf4

26.Qg3 Qh6 27.Qg4 Rf6 0:1

David Landers - Gary Bagstad,  
QUEEN'S INDIAN

1.c4 Nf6 2.d4 e6 3.Nf3 b6 4.g3 Bb7 5.  
Bg2 Be7 6.0-0 0-0 7.Nc3 Ne4 8.Qc2 f5 9.  
Nd2 d5 10.cxd5 exd5 11.Qb3 Kh8 12.  
Nf3 c5 13.Bf4 cxd4 14.Nxd4 Qd7 15.  
Rac1 Na6 16.Bh3 Nac5 17.Qd1 g6 18.f3  
Nxc3 19.Rxc3 Bf6 20.Rc2 Rac8 21.g4 g5  
22.Bc1 f4 23.b4 Ne6 24.Nf5 Rxc2 25.  
Qxc2 Rc8 26.Qd2 Bc3 27.Bb2 d4 28.  
Bxc3 Rxc3 29.Rd1 Qa4 30.b5 Rc2 31.  
Qd3 Qxa2 32.Nxd4 Rc8 33.Qf5 Nxd4 34.  
Qf6+ Kg8 35.Qxg5+ Kh8 36.Qf6+ Kg8  
37.Rxd4 Rf8 38.Qg5+ Kh8 39.Rd7 1:0

David Langlois - Katie Roberts-  
Hoffman, RUY LOPEZ

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6  
5.0-0 b5 6.Bb3 Be7 7.Re1 0-0 8.c3 d6 9.  
h3 Na5 10.Bc2 c5 11.d4 cxd4 12.cxd4  
Nc6 13.d5 Nb4 14.Nc3 Bd7 15.a3 Nxc2  
16.Qxc2 a5 17.Be3 Qc7 18.Qd3 Rfb8 19.  
b4 Qc4 20.Qxc4 bxc4 21.bxa5 Rxa5 22.  
Nd2 Ra6 23.Ra2 Ba4 24.Nxa4 Rxa4 25.  
Rc1 Rc8 26.Rac2 Rxa3 27.Rxc4 Rxc4  
28.Rxc4 h6 29.Rc8+ Kh7 30.Rc7 Bd8 31.  
Rxf7 Ba5 32.Nc4 Ra1+ 33.Kh2 Bb4 34.  
f3 Be1 35.Ra7 Rb1 36.Ra2 Nh5 37.g4  
Ng3 38.Kg2 h5 39.Bf2 h4 40.Nxd6 Bxf2  
41.Kxf2 Rh1 42.Kg2 Re1 43.Nf5 Nxf5  
44.gxf5 Kh6 45.Rd2 Ra1 46.d6 Ra8 47.  
d7 Rd8 48.f4 exf4 49.Kf3 Kg5 50.Rd6  
Kh5 51.Kxf4 g6 52.fxe6 Rf8+ 53.Ke5  
Rg8 54.d8=Q Rg7 55.Qh8+ Rh7 56.  
Qxh7+ Kg5 57.Qe7+ Kh5 1:0

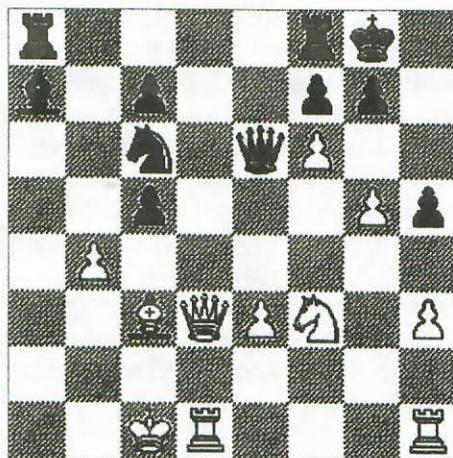
LeRoy Nickelson - Randy Schine, PIRC

1.e4 g6 2.d4 d6 3.f4 Nf6 4.Nc3 Bg7 5.Nf3  
c5 6.d5 0-0 7.Bc4 Bd7 8.0-0 a5 9.a4 Na6  
10.Bxa6 Rxa6 11.Qd3 Qc7 12.Bd2 Rb8  
13.Rfe1 c4 14.Qe3 Ng4 15.Qe2 b5 16.h3  
Nf6 17.Nxb5 Bxb5 18.axb5 Rxb5 19.Bc3  
Nh5 20.Qe3 Bxc3 21.bxc3 Qc5 22.f5  
Qxe3+ 23.Rxe3 a4 24.Nd2 Rb2 25.Rc1  
a3 26.Nxc4 Ra4 27.Nxb2 axb2 28.Rb1  
Ra2 29.Kf2 Kg7 30.Kf3 gxf5 31.exf5 Nf6  
32.c4 Nd7 33.Rxe7 Nb6 34.Rc7 Na4 35.  
Rb7 Kf6 36.Kf4 Ra3 37.Rb3 Ra2 38.g4  
h6 39.h4 Kg7 40.g5 hxe5+ 41.hxe5 Kh7  
42.Rb4 Kg7 43.f6+ Kg6 44.Rh1 1:0

Michael Kass - Vance Aandahl, BUDA-  
PEST

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e5 3.dxe5 Ne4 4.Nd2 Bb4  
5.a3 Nxd2 6.Bxd2 Bc5 7.e3 a6 8.f4 0-0 9.  
b4 Ba7 10.Nf3 Nc6 11.Bd3 d6 12.exd6

Qxd6 13.Qc2 h6 14.0-0 Be6 15.h3 a5  
16.c5 Qe7 17.g4 axb4 18.axb4 b6 19.Be4  
Bb3 20.Bh7+ Kh8 21.Qxb3 Kxh7 22.  
Qd5 Qf6 23.Qd3+ Kg8 24.Bc3 Qe7 25.  
g5 h5 26.f5 bxc5 27.f6 Qe6



28.b5 Nb4 29.Bxb4 cxb4 30.Nd4 Qe5 31.  
fxg7 Rfe8 32.g6 fxg6 33.Nc6 Bxe3+ 34.  
Kc2 Ra2+ 35.Kb3 Ra3+ 36.Kxb4 Qc5#  
0:1

Oscar Herrman - Wolfgang Kern,  
CENTER COUNTER

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.Nf3 Nxd5 4.d4 Bf5  
5.c3 Nd7 6.Bc4 e6 7.0-0 Be7 8.Be3 0-0 9.  
Nbd2 Nxe3 10.fxex3 Nf6 11.h3 Ne4 12.  
Nxe4 Bxe4 13.Bd3 Bc6 14.Ne5 Bd6 15.  
Nxc6 bxc6 16.Be4 Rb8 17.Qc2 Qh4 18.  
Rab1 c5 19.d5 exd5 20.Bxd5 Qg5 21.e4  
Qe3+ 22.Qf2 Qxf2+ 23.Rxf2 c4 24.Kh1  
Bc5 25.Rf5 Ba3 26.Rbf1 Rxb2 27.Bxf7+  
Kh8 28.Bxc4 Rxf5 29.Rxf5 Rc2 30.Rd5  
Rc1+ 31.Kh2 g6 32.Rd8+ Kg7 33.Rd7+  
Kf6 34.Rd5 Bd6+ 35.g3 Rxc3 36.e5+  
Bxe5 37.Rxe5 Kxe5 38.Bg8 Rc2+ 39.Kg1  
h5 40.Bf7 Kf6 41.Bb3 Rb2 42.Bc4 c5  
0:1

Virgil McGuire - Dain Lewis,  
FRENCH

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.Bb5+ Nc6 5.  
Nf3 Bd7 6.Bxc6 Bxc6 7.0-0 Qb6 8.b3  
cxd4 9.Nxd4 Bc5 10.Nxc6 Qxc6 11.Qd3  
Ne7 12.Nd2 0-0 13.Nf3 Ng6 14.Bd2 Rac8  
15.c3 Qc7 16.Rfe1 Rfd8 17.b4 Bb6 18.  
Rac1 Qc4 19.Qxc4 Rxc4 20.Be3 Bxe3  
21.fxex3 Rdc8 22.Kf2 Rxc3 23.Rxc3 Rxc3  
24.Re2 Rc4 25.a3 Kf8 26.h3 h6 27.Rd2  
Rc3 28.Ra2 a6 29.Ke2 Ke8 30.Kd2 Rc4  
31.Rb2 b5 32.Rc2 Kd7 33.Rxc4 dxc4 34.  
Kc3 Kc7 35.Kd4 Kb6 36.g4 Kc6 37.h4  
Kb6 38.h5 Ne7 39.e4 Nc6+ 40.Kc3 a5  
41.g5 axb4+ 42.axb4 hxg5 43.Nxg5 Nxe5  
44.Kd4 Nc6+ 45.Kc3 e5 46.Nxf7 Kc7 47.  
h6 gxh6 48.Nxh6 Kd7 49.Ng4 Ke6 50.

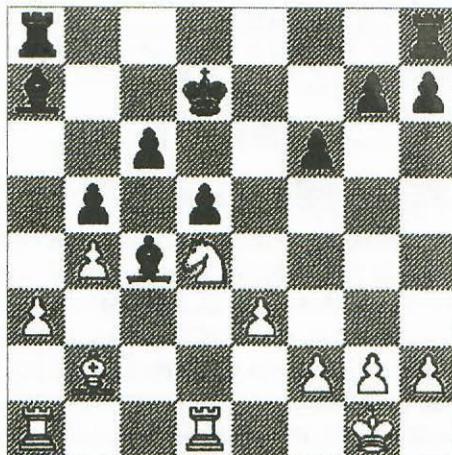
Ne3 Kf6 51.Nd5+ Kg5 52.Kd2 Kh4 53.  
Ke2 Kg3 54.Nc3 Nd4+ 55.Kd2 Kf2 56.  
Nd1+ Kf3 57.Nc3 Kf4 58.Kc1 Ke3 59.  
Kb2 Kd3 60.Nd1 Kxe4 61.Kc3 Kf3 62.  
Kd2 Ne2 63.Kc2 e4 64.Kd2 c3+ 65.Kc2  
Kf4 66.Nxc3 Nxc3 67.Kxc3 e3 0:1 A  
well played ending. Virgil had the misfor-  
tune to be paired with three of these hun-  
gry young tigers.

Richard Barber - Josh Wallace,  
FRENCH

1.e4 e6 2.d4 c5 3.Nf3 d5 4.e5 Nc6 5.c3  
Qb6 6.Be2 Nge7 7.dxc5 Qxc5 8.Be3 Qa5  
9.0-0 Nf5 10.Bf4 Qb6 11.Qd2 Be7 12.  
Na3 0-0 13.Nb5 a6 14.Nbd4 Nxd4 15.  
Nxd4 Nxd4 16.cxd4 Bd7 17.Bd3 Bb5 18.  
Bxb5 Qxb5 19.Rac1 Rac8 20.a3 Rc6 21.  
Rxc6 bxc6 22.Rc1 Rb8 23.Qc3 Qxb2 24.  
Qxc6 Qxa3 25.Qc7 Qb4 26.h3 h6 27.  
Bd2 Qb7 28.Qxb7 Rxb7 29.Rc8+ Kh7  
30.Ra8 Bb4 31.Bxb4 Rxb4 32.Rxa6  
Rxd4 33.f3 Kg6 34.Ra7 Rf4 35.Kf2 Rf5  
36.Ra4 Rxe5 37.g4 f5 38.Rd4 Kf6 39.  
gxf5 Rxf5 40.f4 g5 0:1 A very mature  
game by the nation's highest rated 8-year-  
old.

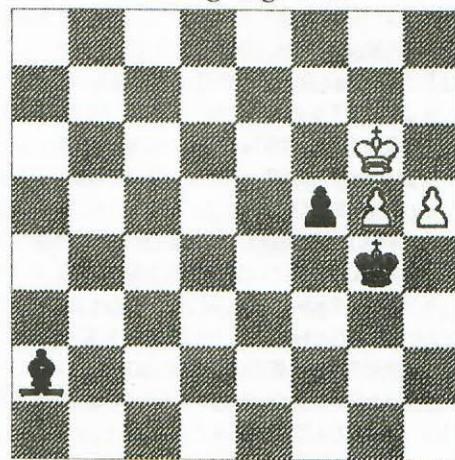
Josh Smith - Mitchell Thomas, BUDA-  
PEST

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e5 3.dxe5 Ng4 4.Nf3 Bc5 5.  
e3 Nc6 6.Qd5 Qe7 7.a3 a5 8.Nc3 Ngxe5  
9.Nxe5 Nxe5 10.Na4 Ba7 11.Qxa5 d6 12.  
Nc3 b6 13.Qa4+ Bd7 14.Qd1 Be6 15.  
Be2 Nxc4 16.Qa4+ Qd7 17.Bxc4 Qxa4  
18.Bb5+ Qxb5 19.Nxb5 Kd7 20.b4 c6  
21.Nd4 b5 22.Bb2 f6 23.0-0 Bc4 24.Rfd1  
d5



25.e4 Rhe8 26.exd5 cxd5 27.Rac1 Bxd4  
28.Bxd4 Rxa3 29.Ra1 Rea8 30.Rxa3  
Rxa3 31.Re1 Rb3 32.Bc5 d4 33.Bxd4  
Rxb4 34.h3 Bd3 35.Bc5 Rb1 36.Rxb1  
Bxb1 37.f4? (No time for this. White's

king has to scurry over to the b-file as fast  
as his little feet can move.) Kc6 38.Bf8 g6  
39.Kf2 Kd5 40.Ke3 Kc4 41.g4 b4 42.h4  
f5 43.g5 Kc3 44.Bg7+ Kc2 45.Kd4 b3  
46.Kd5 Ba2 47.Kd6 b2 48.Bxb2 Kxb2  
49.Ke7 Kc3 50.Kf6 Kd3 51.Kg7 Ke3 52.  
Kxh7 Kxf4 53.Kxg6 Kg4 54.h5



54...f4 (Josh recommended 54...Bf7!, win-  
ning immediately.) (Fritz4 considers f4  
accurate, however - m) 55.h6 f3 (And  
here he might try 55...Bb1 first. But  
Mitchell's finish is still very nice.) 56.Kg7  
f2 57.h7 f1=Q 58.h8=Q Qf7+ 59.Kh6  
Qh5+ 60.Kg7 Qxg5+ 61.Kf8 Qd8+ 62.  
Kg7 Qe7+ 63.Kg6 Bb1+ 64.Kh6 Qg5#  
0:1

## ROUND FIVE

A brisk win against Matt wrapped up  
the tournament for Michael Mulyar. Con-  
gratulations from all of us for his fine  
play, and we expect to see more of Mi-  
chael's triumphs in the news of national  
tournaments. A board two draw led to a  
pileup for second place for all those with  
4-1. Sean Cabrera played the only youth-  
ful upset this round. But Mitchell Thomas  
sure tried. Don't let the game's length  
keep you from playing it over - and re-  
member that there was a difference in the  
players' ratings of more than 1000 points!

Michael Mulyar - Matthew Galman,  
ENGLISH

1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 g6 3.g3 Bg7 4.Bg2 d6 5.  
Nf3 0-0 6.0-0 e5 7.d3 Nc6 8.Rb1 a5 9.a3  
Nh5 10.b4 axb4 11.axb4 f5 12.Bg5 Bf6  
13.Bxf6 Nxf6 14.b5 Nd4 15.Nxd4 exd4  
16.Nd5 Ng4 17.Qd2 Bd7 18.Qb2 c6 19.  
bxc6 bxc6 20.Nb6 Ra5 21.Nxd7 Qxd7  
22.h3 Ne5 23.Qxd4 Ra2 24.f4 Nf7 25.Bf3  
Nd8 26.Ra1 Ne6 27.Qb6 Rxa1 28.Rxa1  
d5 29.cxd5 1:0

Mike Shedd - Andy Rea, ENGLISH  
 1.c4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6  
 5.Nc3 g6 6.Bf4 Bg7 7.Nxc6 bxc6 8.Qd2  
 0-0 9.g3 Ba6 10.e4 Re8 11.Rc1 d6 12.b3  
 Qa5 13.Bg2 Rad8 14.0-0 d5 15.exd5  
 cxd5 16.cxd5 Bxf1 17.Bxf1 Nxd5 18.  
 Nxd5 Rxd5 19.Qxa5 Rxa5 20.a4 Bd4 21.  
 Bb5 Rxb5 22.axb5 Bb6 23.Kf1 f6 24.Ke2  
 Kf7 25.Rc6 h5 26.Bc7 Bxc7 27.Rxc7  
 Rb8 28.Rxa7 Rxb5 29.Ra3 Ke6 30.Kd3  
 Kd5 31.Kc3 Rc5+ 32.Kd3 Rc1 33.Ra5+  
 Kd6 34.h4 Rf1 35.Ra2 g5 36.Ke2 Rh1  
 37.hxg5 fxg5 38.Ra5 e5 39.Ra6+ Kd5 40.  
 Rg6 g4 41.f3 Rh2+ 42.Ke3 Rg2 43.fxg4  
 Rxg3+ 44.Kf2 Rxg4 45.Rh6 h4 46.Rh5  
 Rf4+ 47.Ke2 Re4+ 48.Kd3 Rb4 49.Kc3  
 Rg4 50.b4 Rg3+ 51.Kc2 h3 52.b5 Rg2+  
 53.Kc3 h2 54.b6 Kc6 55.Rh6+ Kb7 56.  
 Kd3 Rb2 57.Ke4 Rb1 58.Rxh2 Re1+ 59.  
 Kd3 Kxb6 60.Re2 Rd1+ 61.Ke4 Rd8 62.  
 Rb2+ 1/2:1/2

Michael Tipton - Richard Barber,  
 GRUNFELD

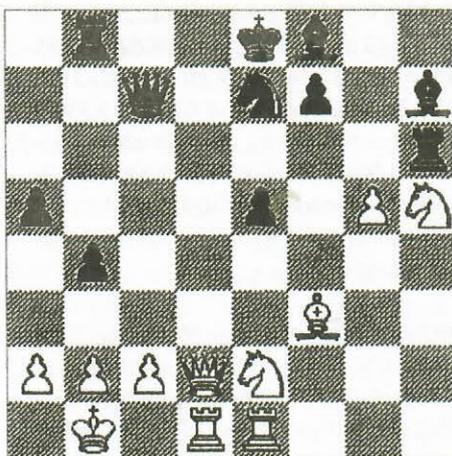
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.Nc3 d5 5.  
 Bg5 0-0 6.cxd5 Nxd5 7.e4 Nxc3 8.bxc3  
 c5 9.Bc4 Nc6 10.e5 Bg4 11.0-0 Bxf3 12.  
 Qxf3 cxd4 13.Rad1 Nxe5 14.Qe2 Nxc4  
 15.Qxc4 Rc8 16.Qb4 Rxc3 17.Bxe7 Qc7  
 18.Bxf8 Bxf8 19.Qxd4 Ra3 20.Rfe1 b5  
 21.Re8 Rxa2 22.Rxf8+ Kxf8 23.Qh8+  
 Ke7 24.Re1+ Kd7 25.Qe8+ Kd6 26.  
 Qe5+ Kd7 27.Qd5+ Qd6 28.Qxa2 a5 29.  
 Qxf7+ 1:0

Dain Lewis - Katie Roberts-Hoffman,  
 SICILIAN

1.d4 g6 2.Nf3 Bg7 3.e4 d6 4.Be3 c5 5.  
 Qd2 cxd4 6.Nxd4 Nf6 7.f3 0-0 8.Nc3 Nc6  
 9.Be2 Bd7 10.h4 h5 11.0-0-0 Rc8 12.  
 Rdg1 Ne5 13.Nd1 Nc4 14.Bxc4 Rxc4 15.  
 Nf2 Ra4 16.Kb1 Qa5 17.Qxa5 Rxa5 18.  
 Nd1 Ra4 19.Nc3 Rc4 20.Rd1 a6 21.Rhe1  
 b5 22.a3 Rb8 23.Kc1 a5 24.Nde2 b4 25.  
 axb4 axb4 26.Nd5 Nxd5 27.Rxd5 Ba4  
 28.Rd2 Rbc8 29.Nd4 Bxd4 30.Bxd4  
 Bxc2 0:1

Sean Scott - Renard Anderson, SICIL-  
 IAN

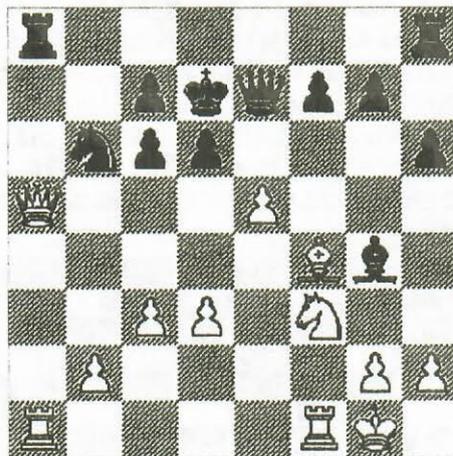
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.  
 Nc3 a6 6.Bg5 e6 7.f4 Qb6 8.Bxf6 gxf6 9.  
 Qd2 h5 10.0-0-0 Bd7 11.Kb1 Nc6 12.  
 Nb3 Qc7 13.Be2 Rb8 14.Bf3 b5 15.Rhe1  
 b4 16.Ne2 a5 17.Nbd4 Ne7 18.Ng3 h4  
 19.Nh5 Rh6 20.g4 hxg3 21.hxg3 e5 22.  
 Ne2 f5 23.fxe5 dxe5 24.exf5 Bxf5 25.g4  
 Bh7 26.g5



26...Rxb5 27.Bxb5 Rc8 28.Rc1 Rd8 29.  
 Qe3 Nd5 30.Qh3 Bc5 31.Qe6+ Kf8 32.  
 Rf1 Nf4 33.Nxf4 exf4 34.Rxf4?? (A  
 shame, as both Qf6 and Qh6 should play  
 just fine according to Fritz4 - m) Qxf4 35.  
 Qh6+ Kg8 36.Rh1 Rd6 37.Bg6 Rxb6 38.  
 Qxh7+ Kf8 39.Qh8+ Ke7 0:1

Eric Billaux - David Langlois, VIENNA

1.e4 e5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Nf6 4.d3 Bc5 5.  
 f4 d6 6.Nf3 Bg4 7.Na4 Bb6 8.Nxb6 axb6  
 9.c3 Qe7 10.0-0 0-0-0 11.Bb5 h6 12.a4  
 exf4 13.Bxc6 bxc6 14.Bxf4 Nd7 15.a5  
 bxa5 16.Qa4 Nb6 17.Qxa5 Kd7 18.e5  
 Ra8



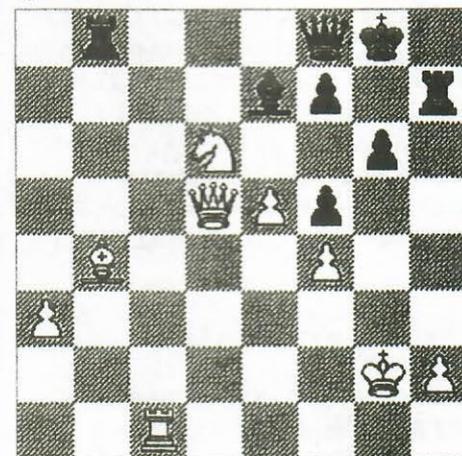
19.exd6 Rxa5 20.dxe7 Rxa1 21.Ne5+  
 Kxe7 22.Nxc6+ Kd7 23.Ne5+ Ke8 24.  
 Rxa1 Be6 25.d4 Kb7 26.Nd3 Nd7 27.Kf2  
 Bc4 28.Nc1 f5 29.b3 Bf7 30.c4 g5 31.Bd2  
 Nf6 32.Nd3 Ne4+ 33.Ke3 Nxd2 34.Kxd2  
 Rd8 35.Kc3 Re8 36.Re1 Rxe1 37.Nxe1  
 c6 38.Nd3 f4 39.Ne5 Bh5 40.Kd2 Kb6  
 41.h3 Be8 42.b4 Kc7 43.Kd3 Kd6 44.  
 Ke4 Ke6 45.Nxc6 Bxc6+ 46.d5+ Bxd5+  
 47.cxd5+ Kd6 48.Kf5 1:0

DuWayne Langseth - David Landers,  
 SICILIAN

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 a6 5.  
 Bc4 Nc6 6.Nf3 Be7 7.0-0 Nf6 8.e5 Ng4 9.  
 Bf4 f6 10.exf6 Nxf6 11.c3 0-0 12.Bd6 b5  
 13.Bb3 Bb7 14.Bxe7 Qxe7 15.Nbd2 Nh5  
 16.Re1 Nf4 17.Ne4 Na5 18.Bc2 Nc4 19.  
 b3 Na3 20.Bd3 Nxd3 21.Qxd3 h6 22.  
 Nfd2 Bc6 23.f3 d5 24.Nf2 Rf7 25.Re2  
 Re8 26.Rae1 Bd7 27.Ng4 Bc8 28.Ne5  
 Rf6 29.Nc6 Qc5+ 30.Nd4 b4 31.cxb4  
 Qxb4 32.Kh1 Bd7 33.Re5 Qd6 34.Nf1  
 Nb5 35.Ng3 Kf7 36.Nh5 Rg6 37.Nf4 Rg5  
 38.Rxg5 hxg5 39.Qg6+ Kg8 40.Nh5 Qf8  
 41.Nxb5 axb5 42.Qxg5 Qf7 43.h3 Rc8  
 44.Rd1 Kh7 45.Rd4 Qg6 46.Qe7 e5 47.  
 Rh4 Kg8 48.Qxd7 Rc1+ 49.Kh2 Qf7 50.  
 Qd8+ Qf8 51.Qxd5+ Qf7 52.Qd8+ Qf8  
 53.Qg5 Re1 54.Rg4 Re2 55.Nxg7 Qxf3  
 56.Nf5+ Kf7 57.Qe7# 1:0

Jason Caldwell - Andy Hortillosa, SI-  
 CILIAN

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.f4 g6 4.Nf3 Bg7 5.  
 Bb5 Nd4 6.Bd3 e6 7.Nxd4 cxd4 8.Nb5  
 d6 9.c3 dxc3 10.dxc3 Ne7 11.Nxd6+ Kf8  
 12.e5 Kg8 13.g4 h5 14.gxh5 Rxh5 15.  
 Qg4 Nf5 16.Bxf5 exf5 17.Qe2 Be6 18.  
 Be3 Qa5 19.Kf2 Bd5 20.b4 Qc7 21.c4  
 Bxh1 22.Rxh1 b6 23.Qf3 Rb8 24.Kg3  
 Bf8 25.e5 Be7 26.Rc1 Qd8 27.Kg2 bxc5  
 28.Bxc5 a5 29.a3 axb4 30.Bxb4 Qf8 31.  
 Qd5 Rh7

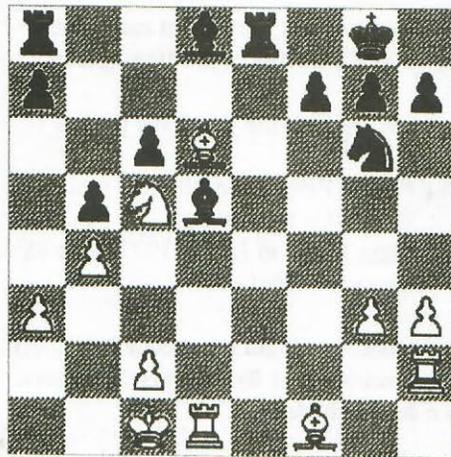


32.e6 f6 33.Nf7 Bxb4 34.axb4 Qxb4 35.  
 Rf1 Qb2+ 36.Rf2 Rxh2+ 37.Kxh2 Qxf2+  
 38.Kh3 Qe3+ 0:1

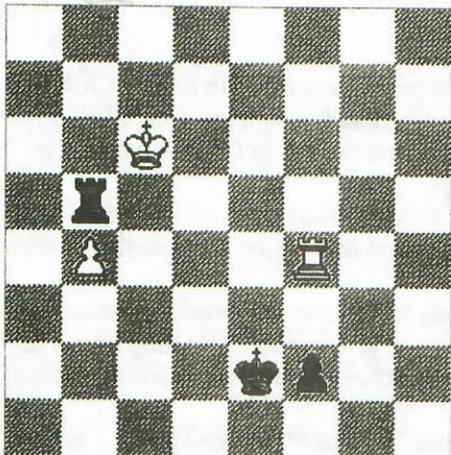
Mitchell Thomas - Leroy Hill,  
 ENGLUND GAMBIT

1.d4 e5?! 2.dxe5 Nc6 3.Nf3 Qe7 4.Nc3  
 ("The" trap in this opening is 4 Bf4 Qb4+  
 5 Bd2 Qxb2 6 Bc3 Bb4 7 Qd2 Bxc3 8  
 Qxc3 Qc1 mate, as played innumerable  
 times by the late Dale Burk of Ohio.) Nxe5  
 5.Nxe5 Qxe5 6.g3 Bb4 7.Bd2 c6 8.f4 Qe7

9.e4 Nf6 (Why not 9...Bxc3 and ...Qxe4?)  
 10.e5 d6 11.Qe2 dxe5 12.Qxe5 Qxe5+  
 13.fxe5 Ng4 14.a3 Ba5 15.Bf4 0-0 16.h3  
 Nxe5 17.0-0-0 Ng6 18.Bd6 Re8 19.Na4  
 Be6 20.Nc5 Bd5 21.Rh2 b5 22.b4 Bd8



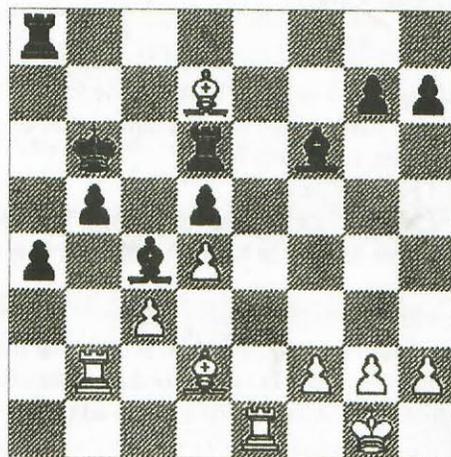
23.Bxb5 Bg5+ 24.Kb1 Bf3 25.Rf1 cxb5  
 26.Rxf3 Re1+ 27.Kb2 Bf6+ 28.c3 Ne5  
 29.Bxe5 Bxe5 30.Nd3 Re4 31.Nxe5 Rxe5  
 32.Rhf2 f6 33.Rf5 Rae8 34.Kb3 Kf7 35.  
 g4 h6 36.Kb2 a6 37.Kb3 R8e6 38.Kb2  
 g6 39.R5f3 Re3 40.Kb3 g5 41.Kb2 Kg6  
 42.Kb3 Kg7 43.Kb2 Kf7 44.Kb3 Kg6  
 45.Kb2 Rxf3 46.Rxf3 h5 47.gxh5+ Kxh5  
 48.Kb3 g4 49.Rf5+ Kh4 50.hxg4 Kxg4  
 51.Rd5 f5 52.Rd7 f4 53.Rf7 Kf3 54.a4  
 Ke4 55.axb5 axb5 56.e4 bxc4+ 57.Kxc4  
 f3 58.Kc5 Re5+ 59.Kd6 Rb5 (Fritz4 liked  
 Rf5 better, but it seemed to give drawing  
 chances to White - m) 60.Re7+ Kd3 61.  
 Rf7 Ke3 62.Re7+ Kd2 63.Rf7 Ke2 64.  
 Re7+ Kf1 65.Rf7 f2 66.Rf4 Ke2 67. Kc6



67. ...Rxb4! 68.Rxb4 f1=Q 69.Re4+ Kd3  
 70.Re6 Kd4 71.Rd6+ Kc4 72.Kd7 Qf7+  
 73.Kc6 Qe7 74.Rd7 Qc5+ 75.Kb7 Kb5  
 76.Rc7 Qd6 77.Kc8 Qe6+ 78.Kd8 Kb6  
 79.Re7 Qf6 80.Kd7 Qc6+ 81.Kd8 Qd6+

82.Ke8 Kc6 83.Kf7 Kd5 84.Kf8 Qh6+  
 85.Ke8 Kd6 86.Rd7+ Kc6 87.Rf7 Qh8+  
 88.Rf8 Qe5+ 89.Kf7 Kd7 90.Rg8 Qf5+  
 91.Kg7 Ke7 92.Kh6 Qh3+ 93.Kg7 Qg4+  
 94.Kh7 Qh5+ 95.Kg7 Qg5+ 96.Kh7  
 Qh4+ 97.Kg6 Qg4+ 98.Kh7 Qh3+ 99.  
 Kg6 Qe6+ 100.Kh7 Kf7 101.Rg7+ Kf8  
 102.Rg6 Qe7+ 0:1

Josh Wallace - Joe Fromme, FRENCH  
 1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3  
 Nc6 6.Be2 Bd7 7.0-0 c4 8.Qc2 Nge7 9.  
 Nh4 0-0-0 10.a4 Na5 11.Nd2 Nf5 12.  
 Nxf5 exf5 13.Rb1 Be7 14.b4 cxb3 15.  
 Nxb3 Nxb3 16.Rxb3 Bxa4 17.Qxf5+ Bd7  
 18.Rxb6 Bxf5 19.Rb5 a6 20.Rb2 b5 21.  
 Ra2 Kb7 22.Rb2 Kb6 23.Be3 Rc8 24.  
 Bf3 Rhd8 25.Bd2 Bd3 26.Re1 Rc6 27.  
 Re3 Bc4 28.Bg4 a5 29.e6 fxe6 30.Bxe6  
 Bf6 31.Bg4 a4 32.Re1 Ra8 33.Bd7 Rd6



34.Re6 Rxe6 35.Bxe6 a3 36.Rb1 a2 37.  
 Ra1 Kc6 38.f4 Bd3 39.f5 Bb1 40.Kf2  
 Be7 41.Bc1 Ba3 42.Bxa3 Rxa3 43.g4  
 Rxc3 44.g5 Kd6 45.Bg8 b4 46.f6 b3 47.  
 Bxd5 Kxd5 48.fxg7 Rc8 0:1

Joe Bihlmeyer - Paul Anderson, RO-  
 BATSCH

1.d4 c6 2.c4 g6 3.e4 Bg7 4.Nc3 d6 5.Be2  
 Nd7 6.Nf3 e6 7.0-0 Ne7 8.Be3 0-0 9.Qd2  
 Nb6 10.Rad1 Qc7 11.Bh6 f5 12.Bxg7  
 Kxg7 13.e5 d5 14.c5 Nd7 15.b4 b6 16.h4  
 h6 17.g3 a5 18.a3 axb4 19.axb4 bxc5 20.  
 bxc5 Ba6 21.Ra1 Bxe2 22.Nxe2 Ra7 23.  
 Nf4 Kf7 24.Rfb1 Rfa8 25.Rxa7 Rxa7 26.  
 Qb4 Qa5 27.Qxa5 Rxa5 28.Rb7 Nf8 29.  
 Kg2 Rb5 30.Rxb5 cxb5 31.Kf1 Nc6 32.  
 Ke2 Ke7 33.Kd3 Kd7 34.Kc3 Kc7 35.  
 Nd3 Nd7 36.Nfe1 g5 37.f3 Kb7 38.hxg5  
 hxg5 39.Nc2 Ndb8 40.Ncb4 Ne7 41.g4  
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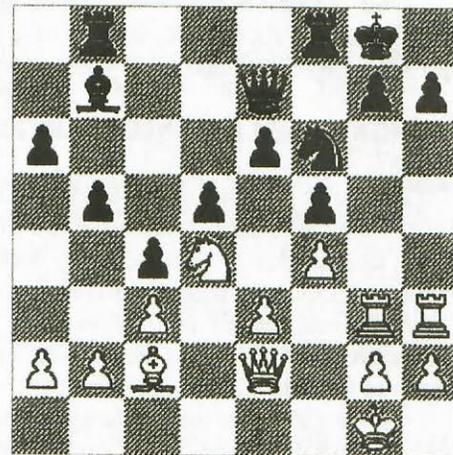
Kc7 48.Nf7 Ne3 49.Nxg5 Kd7 50.Nh7  
 Ng4 51.Nf6+ Nxf6 52.exf6 Ke8 53.c6  
 Nxc6 54.Nxc6 Kf7 55.Kb4 Kxf6 56.Kc5  
 Kf5 57.Kd6 Kf4 58.Nd8 1:0

Al Gardner - Justin Bartlow, VERE-  
 SOV

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nc3 d5 3.Nf3 e6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.  
 e3 b6 6.Bd3 h6 7.Bh4 Bb7 8.0-0 0-0 9.  
 Re1 c5 10.b3 Nbd7 11.e4 dxe4 12.Nxe4  
 Nxe4 13.Bxe7 Qxe7 14.Bxe4 Bxe4 15.  
 Rxe4 Nf6 16.Re1 Rad8 17.c3 Qc7 18.  
 Qe2 Rd6 19.dxc5 Qxc5 20.c4 Rfd8 21.  
 Red1 Rxd1+ 22.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 23.Qxd1  
 Qc7 24.h3 Kh8 25.Qe2 Nd7 26.Nd4 Qc5  
 27.Nb5 a6 28.Nc3 Qd4 29.Qe3 Qd6 30.  
 Qf3 a5 31.Qd1 Qxd1+ 32.Nxd1 Nc5 33.  
 Nc3 Kh7 34.f3 g5 35.Kf2 f5 36.Ke3 e5  
 37.Nd5 Nd7 38.a3 Kg6 39.b4 h5 40.Kd3  
 g4 41.fxg4 fxg4 42.Ke4 Kg5 43.hxg4  
 Kxg4 44.Ne3+ Kg5 45.g3 Kf6 46.Kd5  
 Ke7 47.c5 bxc5 48.bxc5 Kf6 49.c6 Nb6+  
 50.Kd6 Nc8+ 51.Kd7 Nb6+ 52.Kd8 e4  
 53.c7 Ke5 54.Nc4+ Nxc4 55.c8=Q Kd4  
 56.Qd7+ Ke3 57.Qd5 Nd2 58.Qxa5 1:0

Larry Wutt - Josh Smith, TORRE

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Bg5 e6 4.Nbd2 Be7  
 5.e3 b6 6.Bd3 Bb7 7.Bxf6 Bxf6 8.Ne5  
 Bxe5 9.dxe5 c5 10.c3 Nc6 11.Nf3 c4 12.  
 Bc2 Qc7 13.Qe2 Nxe5 14.Nd4 0-0 15.0-0  
 Qe7 16.f4 Nd7 17.Rf3 f5 18.Rh3 Nf6 19.  
 Rf1 a6 20.Rff3 b5 21.Rfg3 Rab8



22.Bxf5 exf5 23.Nxf5 Qd7 24.Rg5 Bc8  
 25.g4 Nxg4 26.Nh6+ Nxh6 27.Rxh6 Rf5  
 28.Rg3 Qe7 29.Qg2 Bb7 30.Qh3 Qe4 31.  
 Rxg7+ Kxg7 32.Rxh7+ Kf8 33.Qh6+  
 Ke8 34.Qg6+ 1:0

# DENVER BRONCOS AND CHESS

By NM Todd Bardwick

As many of you know, I write the Colorado Chess Column, which is scheduled to appear on the first Monday of each month in the Spotlight Section of the Rocky Mountain News. If you have any interesting local chess topics worthy of printing, [please] contact me through my website below.

A couple of weeks ago I got the opportunity to visit Bronco headquarters and interview Barney Chavous about the Denver Broncos chess activities over the years.

Back in the summer of 1997, I wrote the first column about Broncos chess, focusing on Reggie Rivers. For those of you Bronco fans who buy the wrong Denver newspaper and missed my last report, hopefully you'll find this interesting!

The first column was published on page 7D of the Spotlight Section of The Rocky Mountain News on July 8, 1997. The second column is scheduled for print on Monday, June 7, 1999 (So check those papers before you recycle them! - ed.).

**Barney Chavous asked me to ask local chess players to NOT call the Broncos and challenge them to a chess game. After the Reggie Rivers column, they were swamped with phone calls that caused quite a commotion at Bronco headquarters. The Bronco players put football first, and play chess for relaxation and a break from a busy schedule.**

## BRONCOS EXERCISE MINDS BY TACKLING CHESS

After a hard day's work, many of the Denver Broncos can be found playing chess in the office of assistant strength coach and former defensive lineman Barney Chavous. According to running back Reggie Rivers, Chavous beats everyone, including (according to Barney) head coach Mike Shanahan. Rivers, who learned how to play chess as a child, says that the Broncos play chess during road trips, on the plane, on the bus, and in the hotel.

Does chess improve a professional football player's game?

"Chess has definitely helped me understand a lot of the strategy of football," says Rivers. "In chess, good offense is often an exercise in putting multiple points of pressure on one square. In football, offensive play design (particularly passes) also involves putting multiple points of pressure on one player."

Chess has also helped Rivers better understand football defensive strategy: "In chess, you often give your opponent a move that looks strong for him, but it turns into a trap," says Rivers. "Football is the same way. I've always thought of defense in football as being totally reactive. But now I understand the ways in which football defenses force the offense to make certain choices."

From the start of the 1996 season to the present, Chavous holds a 90-34 edge over Rivers. Offensive lineman, John Jones, has beaten Rivers all six of the times they have played. Rivers does, however, have a winning record of 47-16 against defensive lineman Alfred Williams, and an 11-6 edge over safety Robert Turner, a recent newcomer to the team.

## ORANGE CRUSH DEFENSE STARTED CHESS TRADITION FOR BRONCOS

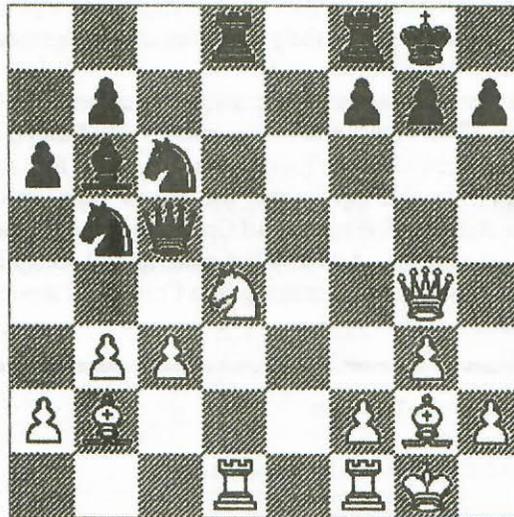
A popular place at Bronco headquarters at lunch time between practice sessions is the wood chess board in Barney Chavous's office. Chavous, a Bronco defensive end from 1973-1986 and current Assistant Offensive Line and Strength and Conditioning Coach, took up playing chess seriously back in 1976 with roommate and fellow defensive end Ed Smith. In fact, the famous Orange Crush Defense frequently played chess to pass the time on the plane during team trips.

Back then, Rubin Carter, Steve Foley, Tom Jackson, Claudie Minor, John Rowser, Ed Smith, and later Larry Canada were the most active chess players on the Broncos team. Rubin Carter said, "The strategies of offense and defense are very similar between chess and football. Chess really brought closeness to the team back in those days."

Chavous also sees the similarity between the two games: "Chess is a very positive way to exercise your mind. It makes you look at the whole picture...what are your options and what is the best thing to do? In football, you are mostly reacting from a defensive point of view...but you always want to be counterattacking...a similarity with chess strategy. Chess and offensive football are quite similar; you sacrifice something now to get something back later."

According to Chavous, Alfred Williams is probably the best chess player on the current Broncos Super Bowl team. Chavous originally taught Williams how to play and said that Williams has improved a lot and loves to play computer chess. And the best Bronco chess player of all time? Probably...Chavous. Carter said, "Barney is really tough and one of the best." In his retirement speech on May 2, John Elway took the time to admit that he was not as strong a chess player as Chavous.

Brian Griese



Barney Chavous  
White to move

This position is close (but probably not exact) to the end of a game in late April between Chavous and Brian Griese. The game continued, 32.Ne6 fe6 33.c4 Rd1? 34.Qg7mate. Chavous loves to fianchetto his bishops. If you think about how a defensive end would rush a quarterback in the pocket, it makes sense that bishops are Chavous's favorite piece!

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### **Colorado Youth at the National Championships and Other Colorado Scholastic News** By Katie Roberts-Hoffman

This April and May, the National High School, Junior High and Elementary Nationals were held, attracting thousands of kids from across the United States. This year, Colorado had 60 players play in these prestigious events, several of them placing among the best of the country!

In April, the National High School, grades K-12, were held in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. An amazing 23 Colorado scholastic players played in this event! A stunning 929 players turned out for this event. Congrats! Among those placing were: Mark Gurevich, who took 21<sup>st</sup> in the K-12 U1300 section, Thein Nguyen, 10<sup>th</sup> in the K-12 U1000 and Christian Enriquez, 22<sup>nd</sup>, also in the U1000 section.

The National Junior High was held in Columbus, Ohio over May 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Wendell Deritt was able to bring 23 kids from the Colorado Springs area, bringing the total number of Colorado players, playing at the Junior High to 26! Among the placers are: Katie Roberts-Hoffman, with 5<sup>th</sup> in bughouse with Travis Yee, 11<sup>th</sup> in the blitz open tournament, and top Class C; Travis Yee, with 5<sup>th</sup> in bughouse with Katie Roberts-Hoffman and becoming the big, number one, taking clear first with 11-1 in the blitz under 1200 section. Team trophies from Colorado were earned by kids attending Colorado Springs' schools. Irving Middle School finished 10<sup>th</sup> in the Under 1000 and 21<sup>st</sup> in the Under 750 section, and Rampart High School took 19<sup>th</sup> in the K-9 Open section, which is some feat considering there were only two players on their team!

At the Elementary Nationals, held in Phoenix, Arizona, from May 14-16, Colorado had 11 players do quite well! In the regular tournament, we saw Josh Wallace take 12<sup>th</sup> along side Asa Harrington who received 25<sup>th</sup>, both in the K-3 Open section. Congrats also should go out to Sam Galler for his 18<sup>th</sup> place finish in the blitz K-6 tournament, and another trophy to Asa Harrington for his 5<sup>th</sup> place finish in the K-3 Blitz.

In other scholastic news, the Storage Tek Chess Challenge, an annual event took place in May and was a big success thanks to the help of Colorado Scholastic Board rep, Bruce Galler. This summer, tournaments will be less frequent, though a June St. Mary's camp will be followed by a Saturday tournament for grades K-12.

A correction, from last issue's article, was that in the Colorado State Scholastic Championships, Horizon won the High School divisions top honors, while George Washington came in second. Jim Bagwell is a graduating senior and led Horizon to two state championships, along with three league championships as their team captain. Congratulations!

Also, congratulations should also go out to those individuals who made the nations top 50 lists in the April Supplement. Those who made the lists include: Josh Wallace, 1<sup>st</sup> for Age 8 and Under, rated 1490; Philipp Ponomarev, 39<sup>th</sup> for 15-16 year olds, rated 1918; Michael Mulyar, 4<sup>th</sup> for Under 21, rated 2492; Katie Roberts-Hoffman, 11<sup>th</sup> for Girls Under 16, rated 1593; and to Sophie Weiss, 19<sup>th</sup> for Girls Under 13, rated 1141. In state top 5, using the August Supplement, from highest rated to lowest include: Philipp Ponomarev, Josh Bloomer, Katie Roberts-Hoffman, Sean Groves and Jason Caldwell. My apologies for using two different lists, the August Top 50 have not yet been posted. And as a last note, special recognition needs to go to Philipp Ponomarev, who will be rated 2003 in the August 1999 Supplement, making him Colorado's newest scholastic expert.

## Results from the 1999 Storage Tek Scholastic

### Storage Tek Scholastic Standings (K-2)

Name	rating	rd 1	rd 2	rd 3	rd 4	rd 5	TOT
1 Zulauf, Grayson.....	762	W 5	W 2	W 4	W 3	W 7	5.0
2 Beckett, Ryan.....	unr	W 9	L 1	W 10	W 4	D 3	3.5
3 Cary, Matthew.....	unr	W 10	W 8	W 9	L 1	D 2	3.5
4 Ferguson, David T.....	671	W 6	W 13	L 1	L 2	W 11	3.0
5 Aelmore, Stephan.....	358	L 1	B---	L 7	W 8	W 9	3.0
6 Finch, Christopher.....	unr	L 4	W 11	W 8	L 7	W 10	3.0
7 Harrington, J. P.....	unr	W 11	L 9	W 5	W 6	L 1	3.0
8 Finkel, Paul E.....	784	W 12	L 3	L 6	L 5	B---	2.0
9 Jones, Dylan.....	669	L 2	W 7	L 3	W 12	L 5	2.0
10 Sheetz, Robert.....	590	L 3	W 12	L 2	W 13	L 6	2.0
11 Stinson, Miranda.....	568	L 7	L 6	W 13	B---	L 4	2.0
12 Bronson, Mackenzie.....	369	L 8	L 10	B---	L 9	W 13	2.0
13 Sheetz, Ericha.....	207	B---	L 4	L 11	L 10	L 12	1.0

### Standings (3-5)

Name	rtng	rd 1	rd 2	rd 3	rd 4	rd 5	TOT
1 Davis, Anthony T.....	1016	W 12	W 11	W 4	W 9	W 3	5.0
2 Wallace, Jacob Z.....	1127	W 17	L 4	W 12	W 11	W 9	4.0
3 Talmage, Garrick.....	918	X---	W 28	W 15	W 8	L 1	4.0
4 Wu, Bradley.....	878	W 26	W 2	L 1	W 24	W 7	4.0
5 Hubbell, Noah.....	881	W 22	L 7	W 28	W 10	D 8	3.5
6 Fuerst, Ben F.....	808	D 24	W 29	W 19	L 7	W 16	3.5
7 Shridhar, Mitesh.....	1114	W 27	W 5	L 9	W 6	L 4	3.0
8 Ranney, Trevor W.....	964	X---	D 19	W 16	L 3	D 5	3.0
9 Ranney, Robert P.....	950	W 13	W 25	W 7	L 1	L 2	3.0
10 Scheidies, Nick.....	852	L 28	W 13	W 23	L 5	W 19	3.0
11 Riley, Drew.....	816	W 23	L 1	W 22	L 2	W 24	3.0
12 Walton, Burke P.....	691	L 1	W 20	L 2	W 23	W 21	3.0
13 Shah, Sachin.....	650	L 9	L 10	B---	W 28	W 20	3.0
14 Beckett, Mathew.....	unr	D 16	L 15	W 17	D 21	W 25	3.0
15 Jones, Taylor.....	967	D 18	W 14	L 3	L 19	W 26	2.5
16 Hung, Mendel.....	759	D 14	W 18	L 8	W 26	L 6	2.5
17 Townsend, Danny R.....	716	L 2	D 26	L 14	W 22	W 27	2.5
18 Neligh, Dan.....	689	D 15	L 16	L 24	W 29	B---	2.5
19 Stinson, Russell.....	630	W 20	D 8	L 6	W 15	L 10	2.5
20 Oliver, Billy H.....	923	L 19	L 12	W 27	W 25	L 13	2.0
21 Baird, Carter.....	727	D 29	D 24	D 25	D 14	L 12	2.0
22 Thomas, Matthew.....	587	L 5	B---	L 11	L 17	W 29	2.0
23 Bower, Benjamin.....	unr	L 11	W 27	L 10	L 12	W 28	2.0
24 Clark, Rebecca.....	unr	D 6	D 21	W 18	L 4	L 11	2.0
25 Chintalapally, Anu.....	510	B---	L 9	D 21	L 20	L 14	1.5
26 Newman, Kira.....	unr	L 4	D 17	W 29	L 16	L 15	1.5
27 Russman, Adrienne.....	703	L 7	L 23	L 20	B---	L 17	1.0
28 Feder, Jared.....	unr	W 10	L 3	L 5	L 13	L 23	1.0

29 King, Helen.....	unr	D 21	L 6	L 26	L 18	L 22	0.5
30 Weinroth, J T.....	658	F---	U---	U---	U---	U---	0.0
31 Covotsos, Thomas A.....	620	F---	U---	U---	U---	U---	0.0

Standings (6-8)

Name	rtng	rd 1	rd 2	rd 3	rd 4	rd 5	TOT
1 Cabrera, Sean.....	1436	W 31	W 28	W 16	D 9	W 10	4.5
2 Yee, Travis J.....	1392	W 32	W 18	W 5	W 13	D 3	4.5
3 Snavely, Joshua Ra.....	1330	W 45	W 11	W 6	W 4	D 2	4.5
4 Robb, Morgan.....	1501	W 25	W 8	W 14	L 3	W 9	4.0
5 Lecocq, Daniel.....	978	W 34	W 22	L 2	W 41	W 18	4.0
6 Wen, Leon.....	977	W 26	W 36	L 3	W 32	W 13	4.0
7 Jorgensen, Jonatha.....	920	W 27	W 38	L 13	W 21	W 14	4.0
8 Laff, James A.....	913	W 51	L 4	W 33	W 22	W 16	4.0
9 Weiss, Sophie J.....	1141	W 46	W 29	W 19	D 1	L 4	3.5
10 Likes, Alexander.....	872	D 23	W 17	W 12	W 15	L 1	3.5
11 Finkelstein, David.....	816	W 48	L 3	W 35	W 37	D 15	3.5
12 Liu, Shawn.....	unr	W 17	D 15	L 10	W 26	W 30	3.5
13 Janvrin, Mark.....	1120	W 20	W 24	W 7	L 2	L 6	3.0
14 White, Alexander.....	1100	W 47	W 30	L 4	W 24	L 7	3.0
15 Doykos, Theodore K.....	1066	W 33	D 12	W 28	L 10	D 11	3.0
16 Howard, Chris P.....	1009	W 21	W 35	L 1	W 19	L 8	3.0
17 Lovett, Aaron D.....	941	L 12	L 10	W 47	W 33	W 35	3.0
18 Fuerst, Brian D.....	894	W 37	L 2	W 27	W 38	L 5	3.0
19 Marks, Colby.....	786	W 41	W 23	L 9	L 16	W 36	3.0
20 Medina, Michael.....	610	L 13	W 48	L 38	W 34	W 37	3.0
21 Karbouski, Gary.....	521	L 16	W 43	W 44	L 7	W 38	3.0
22 Berkey, Mathew.....	unr	W 44	L 5	W 29	L 8	W 32	3.0
23 Cary, Stephenson.....	unr	D 10	L 19	D 26	W 29	W 31	3.0
24 Eager, Dustin H.....	797	W 40	L 13	W 36	L 14	D 27	2.5
25 Hartoonian, Anahid.....	784	L 4	L 27	D 42	W 39	W 41	2.5
26 Houston, Traci.....	468	L 6	B---	D 23	L 12	W 42	2.5
27 Davis, Taurean.....	unr	L 7	W 25	L 18	W 28	D 24	2.5
28 Gurevich, Vadim.....	912	W 42	L 1	L 15	L 27	W 47	2.0
29 Sheetz, Richard.....	817	X---	L 9	L 22	L 23	W 48	2.0
30 Rudeseal, Michael.....	807	W 39	L 14	L 41	W 40	L 12	2.0
31 Spaulding, E.....	779	L 1	W 42	L 37	W 48	L 23	2.0
32 Jones, Matthew.....	728	L 2	W 51	W 39	L 6	L 22	2.0
33 Bowers, Shawn.....	564	L 15	W 40	L 8	L 17	W 43	2.0
34 Savington, Nathan.....	487	L 5	L 44	B---	L 20	W 46	2.0
35 Wood, Daniel.....	unr	W 43	L 16	L 11	W 44	L 17	2.0
36 Frum, David.....	unr	X---	L 6	L 24	W 43	L 19	2.0
37 King, Emily.....	unr	L 18	W 45	W 31	L 11	L 20	2.0
38 Kullback, Brendan.....	unr	X---	L 7	W 20	L 18	L 21	2.0
39 Johnson, Michael.....	unr	L 30	W 46	L 32	L 25	W 44	2.0
40 Kruse, Eric.....	unr	L 24	L 33	W 46	L 30	W 51	2.0
41 Bakhtiazov, Dema.....	unr	L 19	W 47	W 30	L 5	L 25	2.0
42 Pechacek, Daniel.....	unr	L 28	L 31	D 25	W 45	L 26	1.5
43 Caldwell, Robbie.....	910	L 35	L 21	W 51	L 36	L 33	1.0
44 Williams, Richard.....	904	L 22	W 34	L 21	L 35	L 39	1.0
45 Swezey, Devon M.....	671	L 3	L 37	L 48	L 42	B---	1.0
46 Parkhill, Nathan.....	649	L 9	L 39	L 40	W 51	L 34	1.0
47 Banks, Jonathon.....	595	L 14	L 41	L 17	B---	L 28	1.0
48 Stocks, Thomas.....	unr	L 11	L 20	W 45	L 31	L 29	1.0
49 Vernon, Geoffrey.....	909	F---	U---	U---	U---	U---	0.0
50 Jordan, Andrew.....	854	F---	U---	U---	U---	U---	0.0
51 Castillo, Michael.....	unr	L 8	L 32	L 43	L 46	L 40	0.0
52 Speer, Joshua.....	unr	F---	U---	U---	U---	U---	0.0

Standings (9-12)

Name	rtng	rd 1	rd 2	rd 3	rd 4	rd 5	TOT
1 Reinhart, John C.....	939	W 7	W 4	W 25	W 5	D 3	4.5
2 Deloslado, Edelreich.....	unr	W 11	W 9	W 14	D 3	W 7	4.5
3 Wallace, Joshua J.....	1490	W 20	W 10	W 8	D 2	D 1	4.0
4 Beck, Auston.....	1230	W 23	L 1	W 20	W 12	W 13	4.0

5	Baker, Marc	1488	W 21	W 18	D 6	L 1	W 15	3.5
6	Davis, Boris	1241	W 16	W 13	D 5	L 7	W 17	3.5
7	Caldwell, Jason D	1696	L 1	W 23	W 19	W 6	L 2	3.0
8	Zakis, William	1315	W 12	W 19	L 3	L 13	W 16	3.0
9	Galler, Sam	1188	W 29	L 2	L 16	W 25	W 18	3.0
10	Beck, Dyllan	1156	W 26	L 3	L 12	W 20	W 24	3.0
11	Gurevich, Mark	1136	L 2	W 29	L 13	W 22	W 21	3.0
12	Menard, Andre	733	L 8	W 28	W 10	L 4	W 25	3.0
13	Ashen, Lee	657	W 17	L 6	W 11	W 8	L 4	3.0
14	Frohardt, Robert C	1391	W 22	W 15	L 2	D 16	U---	2.5
15	Reed, Gary L	1009	W 27	L 14	W 24	D 17	L 5	2.5
16	Sologoub, Alexei	719	L 6	W 27	W 9	D 14	L 8	2.5
17	Enriquez Christian	unr	L 13	W 22	W 18	D 15	L 6	2.5
18	Harrington, Asa Wa	1035	W 24	L 5	L 17	W 23	L 9	2.0
19	Nguyen, Bao	1005	W 28	L 8	L 7	L 24	W 26	2.0
20	Yearsley, Collin	930	L 3	W 26	L 4	L 10	W 28	2.0
21	McConnell, Mitchell	859	L 5	L 24	W 26	B---	L 11	2.0
22	Spotts, Robbie L	822	L 14	L 17	B---	L 11	W 29	2.0
23	Walz, Andrew	unr	L 4	L 7	W 28	L 18	W 27	2.0
24	Gomez, Steven	unr	L 18	W 21	L 15	W 19	L 10	2.0
25	Yee, Bryan	1048	B---	H---	L 1	L 9	L 12	1.5
26	London, Adam	unr	L 10	L 20	L 21	W 27	L 19	1.0
27	Rodarate, Jamie	unr	L 15	L 16	W 29	L 26	L 23	1.0
28	McCormick, Jonathan	unr	L 19	L 12	L 23	W 29	L 20	1:0
29	Grisco, Craig	unr	L 9	L 11	L 27	L 28	L 22	0.0

## 1999 Boulder Open

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Steve Jackson, Director

### Open Section

Name	Rating	1	2	3	4	Total
1. Philipp Ponomarev	1918	W 3	W 15	W 11	W 4	4.0
2. Renard Anderson	2242	W 7	L 4	W 15	W 6	3.0
3. Mark Schlagenhaut	2123	L 1	W 16	W 10	W 9	3.0
4. David Bowers	2006	W 17	W 2	W 9	L 1	3.0
5. Andrew Rea	2142	D 12	D 7	bye	W 14	2.5
6. Mark Scheidies	2001	W 18	D 11	W 14	L 2	2.5
7. Shane Gaschler	1996	L 2	D 5	W 13	W 11	2.5
8. Chris Mink	1876	L 9	D 18	W 19	W 12	2.5
9. Matt Galman	2114	W 8	W 10	L 4	L 3	2.0
10. Michael Shedd	2004	W 13	L 9	L 3	W 19	2.0
11. Eric Billaux	2147	W 19	D 6	L 1	L 7	1.5
12. Joel Senger	1922	D 5	L 14	W 18	L 8	1.5
13. Joel Sevinsky	1391	L 10	W 23	L 7	D 18	1.5
14. Mark Krowczyk	1805	bye	W 12	L 6	L 5	1.5
15. Craig Wilcox	2102	W 16	L 1	L 2	---	1.0
16. Debra Johnson	1765	L 15	L 3	W 17	---	1.0
17. Emery Nicholas	1686	L 4	D 19	L 16	D 22	1.0
18. Edelrich Delos Lado	unr	L 6	D 8	L 12	D 13	1.0
19. Bela Geczy	1930	L 11	D 17	L 8	L 10	0.5
20. Josh Smith	1669	D 21	---	---	---	0.5
21. Gene Strandberg	1614	D 20	---	---	---	0.5
22. Jim Bagwell	1268	---	---	---	D 17	0.5
23. James Kersbergen	969	---	L 13	---	---	0.0

Mark Schlagenhaut - Phillip Ponomarev, Round 1

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e3 c6 6.Nf3 Nbd7 7.Rc1 0-0 8.Bd3 dxc4 9.Bxc4 b5 10.Bb3 a6 11.0-0 Bb7 12.e4 b4 13.Na4 Nxe4 14.Bxe7 Qxe7 15.Qc2 c5 16.dxc5 Rac8 17.Qc4 Nexc5 18. Qh4 Qxh4 19.Nxh4 Nxb3 20. axb3 g5 21.Rcd1 Ne5 22.f4 Ng4 23.Nb6 gxh4 24.Nxc8 Rxc8 25. Rc1 Ne3 26.Rxc8+ Bxc8 27.Re1 Nd5 28.f5 Bd7 29.fxc6 Bxc6 30. Ra1 Nf4 31.Rxa6 Bxb3 32.Rh6 Nd3 33.Rxh4 Bc2 34.Kf1 b3 35. Ke2 Nxb2 36.Rd4 Na4 37.Kd2 Bg6 38.Rxa4 b2 39.Ra8+ Kg7 40. Rb8 b1Q 41.Rxb1 Bxb1 0-1

Phillip Ponomarev - Craig Wilcox, Round 2

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nc3 e6 3.e4 d5 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e5 Nfd7 6.Bxe7 Qxe7 7.f4 c5 8.Nb5 Na6 9.Nd6+ Kf8 10.Nf3

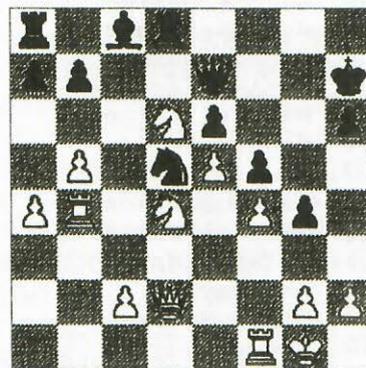
## U2000 Section

1. Josh Smith	1669	X 24	W 3	D 2	W 6	3.5
2. Jeff Baffo	1882	W 16	W 8	D 1	D 4	3.0
3. Edwin Schreiber	1826	W 17	L 1	W 16	X 10	3.0
4. Herman Chew	1814	W 13	W 22	bye	D 2	3.0
5. Matt Compton	1862	W 18	W 7	bye	---	2.5
6. Dwight Sehler	1816	W 19	D 9	W 15	L 1	2.5
7. Vance Aandahl	1808	W 14	L 5	W 19	D 9	2.5
8. Mark Labencki	1777	W 20	L 2	D 13	W 15	2.5
9. K. Roberts-Hoffman	1593	W 11	D 6	D 10	D 7	2.5
10. Rod Carter	1827	D 12	W 23	D 9	F 3	2.0
11. Kenneth Doykos	1800	L 9	D 14	W 22	D 13	2.0
12. Gary Bagstad	1700	D 10	L 15	D 14	W 22	2.0
13. John Klinski	1712	L 4	W 20	D 8	D 11	2.0
14. David Keller	1676	L 7	D 11	D 12	W 19	2.0
15. Joe Bihlmeyer	1762	D 23	W 12	L 6	L 8	1.5
16. Joseph Fromme	1720	L 2	W 18	L 3	D 17	1.5
17. J.C. MacNeil	1698	L 3	L 19	W 18	D 16	1.5
18. Christopher Walker	1711	L 5	L 16	L 17	W 25	1.0
19. Michael Presutti	1713	L 6	W 17	L 7	L 14	1.0
20. Jeffrey Cohen	1304	L 8	L 13	Bye	---	1.0
21. Jennifer Karriem	875	Bye	---	---	---	1.0
22. Jason Dewitt	607	Bye	L 4	L 11	L 12	1.0
23. Jim Bagwell	1268	D 15	L 10	---	---	0.5
24. Mark Krowczyk	1805	F 1	---	---	---	0.0
25. Chet Marino	1510	---	---	---	L 18	0.0

## U1700 Section

1. Doug Hamilton	1675	W 7	W 16	W 24	W 5	4.0
2. Kenneth Dail	1385	W 15	W 22	W 20	W 10	4.0
3. Michael Kass	1587	bye	W 28	W 21	D 4	3.0
4. John Schultz	1511	W 25	W 26	D 6	D 3	3.0
5. Morgan Robb	1501	W 27	W 8	W 16	L 1	3.0
6. Robert Oberdorff	1500	W 30	W 12	D 4	D 9	3.0
7. Phil Brown	1446	L 1	W 19	W 22	W 15	3.0
8. Shawn Svare	1418	W 9	L 5	W 12	W 20	3.0
9. Albert Gardner	1641	L 8	W 25	W 17	D 6	2.5
10. Wolfgang Kern	1621	W 18	D 21	W 11	L 2	2.5
11. Laurence Wutt	1388	D 14	W 13	L 10	W 21	2.5
12. Darren Wallace	1694	W 24	L 6	L 8	W 25	2.0
13. Rick Nelson	1589	D 28	L 11	W 26	D 14	2.0
14. Robert Anderson	1542	D 11	L 20	W 28	D 13	2.0
15. Emanuel Weiss	1531	L 2	W 29	W 18	L 7	2.0
16. Ron Rossi	1484	W 19	L 1	L 5	W 26	2.0
17. John Bales	1481	L 21	W 30	L 9	W 27	2.0
18. Al Skarie	1405	L 10	W 23	L 15	W 22	2.0
19. Mitchell Thomas	1220	L 16	L 7	W 29	W 28	2.0
20. Norbert Martinez	1681	bye	W 14	L 2	L 8	1.5
21. Michael Gano	1107	W 17	D 10	L 3	L 11	1.5
22. Myron China	1549	W 29	L 2	L 7	L 18	1.0
23. Chet Marino	1510	L 26	L 18	L 27	Bye	1.0
24. George Lombardi	1455	L 12	W 27	L 1	---	1.0
25. Chaitanya Neuhaus	1322	L 4	L 9	W 30	L 12	1.0
26. Scott Robb	1278	W 23	L 4	L 13	L 16	1.0
27. Joseph Aragon	1290	L 5	L 24	W 23	L 17	1.0
28. George Pletcher	1400	D 13	L 3	L 14	L 19	0.5
29. Barry Schmidt	1391	L 22	L 15	L 19	---	0.0
30. Julian Lombardi	1270	L 6	L 17	L 25	---	0.0

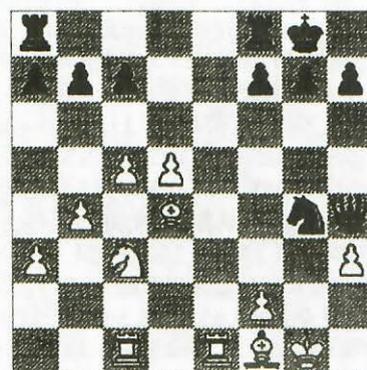
**cx d4 11.Qxd4 Nac5 12.b4 Na6**  
**13.Ng5 f5 14.Rb1 h6 15.Nf3 g5**  
**16.Rb3 Nb6 17.b5 Nc7 18.a4**  
**Kg7 19.Bd3 g4 20.Qb4 Kh7 21.**  
**Nd4 Rf8 22.Rc3 Nc4 23.Bxc4**  
**dxc4 24.Rxc4 Nd5 25.Qd2 Rd8**  
**26.0-0 Nb6 27.Rb4 Nd5**



**28.N4xf5 Qc7 29.Rc4 Qb6+ 30.**  
**Nd4 Rf8 31.a5 Qd8 32.Nxc8**  
**Rxc8 33.Nxe6 Nxf4 34.Nxd8**  
**Rcx d8 35.Rcxf4 1-0**

**Eric Billaux - Phillip Ponomarev, Round 3**

**1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.d4 Nxd5 4.**  
**c4 Nb6 5.Nf3 Bg4 6.c5 N6d7 7.**  
**Bc4 e6 8.Nc3 Nc6 9.Be3 Be7 10.**  
**h3 Bh5 11.0-0 0-0 12.a3 e5 13.**  
**d5 Bxf3 14.gxf3 Nd4 15.f4 Nf5**  
**16.b4 exf4 17.Bxf4 Bf6 18.Rc1**  
**Be5 19.Qg4 Nd4 20.Rfe1 Nf6**  
**21.Bxe5 Nxf4 22.Bxd4 Qh4 23.**  
**Bf1**



**Nh2 24.Kxh2 Qxd4 25.Re3 Rfe8**  
**26.Rce1 Kf8 27.Nb5 Qf4+ 28.**  
**Kg1 a6 29.Nc3 Rxe3 30.Rxe3**  
**Re8 31.Rg3 Re1 0-1**

## U 1400 Section

1. Mark Smith	1295	W	28	W	17	W	9	W	5	4.0
2. Dennis Earl	1119	W	29	D	10	W	20	W	8	3.5
3. David Brunner	1314	W	16	W	14	L	5	W	15	3.0
4. Dan Southard	1290	W	23	D	20	D	7	W	14	3.0
5. Jack Coleman	1209	W	24	W	26	W	3	L	1	3.0
6. Samuel Galler	1188	L	10	W	23	W	24	W	17	3.0
7. John Reinhart	939	W	13	bye		D	4	W	11	3.0
8. Sophie Weiss	1141	D	19	W	18	W	10	L	2	2.5
9. Daniel Lecocq	978	W	27	W	12	L	1	D	18	2.5
10. Marc Willhite	unr	W	6	D	2	L	8	W	21	2.5
11. Robert Kelly	1268	L	17	W	25	W	21	L	7	2.0
12. Jon Fortune	1197	D	21	L	9	D	25	W	24	2.0
13. Wayne Sampson	1195	L	7	W	29	L	15	W	25	2.0
14. Michael Snell	1179	W	22	L	3	W	26	L	4	2.0
15. Allan Ufer	1072	L	20	W	16	W	13	L	3	2.0
16. Ann Davies	1117	L	3	L	15	W	23	W	26	2.0
17. Steve Sparks	1035	W	11	L	1	W	27	L	6	2.0
18. Trevor Ranney	964	bye		L	8	W	22	D	9	2.0
19. Lawrence Hathorn	unr	D	8	L	21	W	28	D	20	2.0
20. Jonathan Peeters	unr	W	15	D	4	L	2	D	19	2.0
21. Marcus Benjamin	956	D	12	W	19	L	11	L	10	1.5
22. Tom Stocks	unr	L	14	D	28	L	18	W	27	1.5
23. Theodore Doykos	1066	L	4	L	6	L	16	W	28	1.0
24. James Kersbergen	969	L	5	Bye		L	6	L	12	1.0
25. Robert Ranney	950	bye		L	11	D	12	L	13	1.0
26. Jennifer Karriem	875	Bye		L	5	L	14	L	16	1.0
27. Andrew Miller	1233	L	9	bye		L	17	L	22	0.5
28. William Barber	1101	L	1	D	22	L	19	L	23	0.5
29. Evan Barber	unr	L	2	L	13	---	---			0.0

### Boulder Open Games

(Selections and notes by Mark Scheidies unless noted)

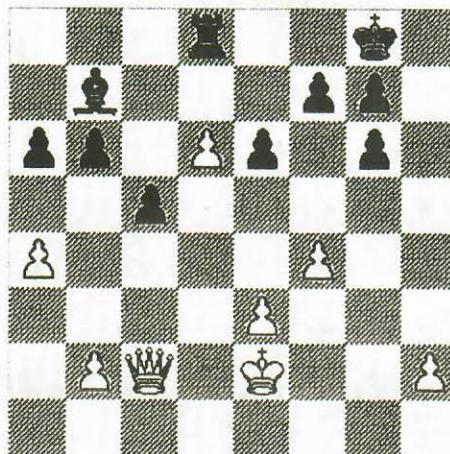
#### Round 1

**Shane Gaschler - Renard Anderson**

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 c5 3.d5 g6 4.Nc3 Bg7 5. e4 d6 6.Bb5+ Nfd7 7.a4 0-0 8.0-0 Na6 9. Re1 Nc7 10.Bf4 Nf6 11.h3 a6 12.Bf1 b6 13.e5 dxe5 14.Nxe5 Bb7 15.Nc6 Bxc6 16. dxc6 Ncd5 17.Nxd5 Qxd5 18.Be2 e5 19. Bh2 Qxc6 20.Bxe5 Rad8 21.Qc1 Qc8 22. Bf3 Nd5 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Qg5 Nb4 25. Rac1 Rfe8 26.Re7 Rxe7 27.Qxe7 Re8 28. Qa7 Qe6 29.a5 bxa5 30.Qxc5 Qf6 31. Rd1 Qxb2 32.Qxa5 Re5 33.Qa1 Qxa1 34.Rxa1 a5 35.c3 Na6 36.Bb7 Nc7 37.g4 g5 38.Kg2 Kf6 39.Ra2 Ke7 40.Ra1 Rc5 41.Be4 h6 42.Bf5 Nd5 43.c4 Nb6 44.Bd3 Kd6 45.Kf3 Re5 46.Rb1 Kc7 47.Kg3 a4 48.Ra1 Kc6 49.h4 Ra5 50.hxg5 hxg5 51. f4 f6 52.Re1 a3 53.Bb1 a2 54.Bxa2 Ra3+ 55.Kf2 Rxa2+ 56.Kf3 Ra3+ 57.Ke4 Ra5 58.fxg5 fxg5 59.Kd4 Kd6 60.Rh1 Nd7 61.Rh6+ Ke7 62.Rh1 Ke6 63.Re1+ Ne5 64.Re2 0-1

**Joel Senger - Andy Rea**

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 d5 4.Nc3 Be7 5. Bf4 0-0 6.e3 b6 7.Bd3 Bb7 8.Ne5 Nbd7 9.Qc2 dxc4 10.Bxc4 Nxe5 11.dxe5 Nh5 12.Rd1 Nxf4 13.Rxd8 Nxd2+ 14.Ke2 Raxd8 15.Rd1 Rxd1 16.Qxd1 Rd8 17. Qc2 Nh4 18.Ne4 a6 19.a3 Ng6 20.f4 c5 21.Ba2 Bc6 22.a4 Bd5 23.Bc4 Bb7 24. Bd3 Rc8 25.Nd6 Bxd6 26.Bxg6 hxg6 27. exd6 Rd8



28.b4 Rxd6 29.bxc5 bxc5 30.Qxc5 Rd7 31.e4 Kh7 32.f5 Bxe4 33.fxe6 fxe6 34.

Qc8 Rd6 35.Qc7 Rc6 36.Qf4 Bd5 37.Qh4+ Kg8 38.Qd8+ Kf7 39.Qd7+ Kf6 40.Qd8+ Kf7 41.Ke3 Rc3+ 42. Kf4 Rf3+ 43.Ke5 Rf5+ 44.Kd6 g5 45.Qc8 Rf2 46.Qxa6 Rxb2 47.Qf1+ Kg6 48.Ke7 Rb2 49.Qd3+ Kh6 50. a5 Rb3 51.Qd4 Rb7+ 52.Kd6 Rf7 53.a6 Rf4 54.Qg1 Ra4 55.a7 Ra2 56. Qe3 Ra4 57.Ke7 Rf4 58.Qd3 Rf3 (I may be getting the score confused around here.) [58...Ra4] 59.Qa6 [59. Qxd5] Kg6 60.a8Q Bxa8 61.Qxa8 Rf6 62.Kd6 Kh6 63.Qe4 g4 64.Qxg4 Kh7 65.Ke7 Kg8 66.Qh5 Rh6 67. Qe8+ Kh7 68.Kd6 Rf6 69.Ke5 Rh6 70.Kf4 Rf6+ 71.Kg5 Rf5+ 72.Kg4 Rf6 (This position is a draw, even without the e-pawn.)½-½

**Mike Presutti - Dwight Sehler**

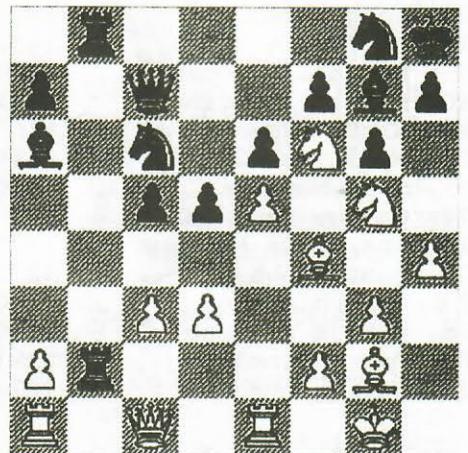
1.Nf3 Nf6 2.g3 g6 3.Bg2 Bg7 4.c4 0-0 5.d4 d6 6.0-0 Nbd7 7.Nc3 e5 8.e4 Re8 9.Re1 c6 10.h3 Qc7 11.d5 Nb6 12.dxc6 bxc6 13.b3 Bb7 14.Ba3 Bf8 15.Rc1 Rad8 16.Qd2 Qb8 17.Rcd1 d5 18.Bxf8 Kxf8 19.exd5 cxd5 20. cxd5 Nbx5 21.Qh6+ Kg8 22.Na4 Nd7 23.Ng5 N5f6 24.Bxb7 Qxb7 25. Rd6 e4 26.Nc5 Qc7 27.Red1 [27.

Rxd7 Rxd7 28.Ncxe4± Fritz4] Qxc5

28.Rxd7 Rxd7 29.Rxd7 e3! (If not for this move, White would be doing OK.) 30. Rxf7 exf2+ 31.Kg2 f1Q+ 32.Kxf1 Qc1+ 33.Kg2 Re2+ 0-1

**Chris Mink - Matt Galman**

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d3 Nc6 4.Nbd2 g6 5. g3 Bg7 6.Bg2 Nge7 7.0-0 0-0 8.Re1 d5 9. c3 b6 10.e5 Ba6 11.Nf1 Qc7 12.Bf4 b5 13.h4 b4 14.N1h2 Rab8 15.Ng4 bxc3 16. bxc3 Rb2 17.Qc1 Rfb8 18.Nf6+ Kh8 19. Ng5 Ng8

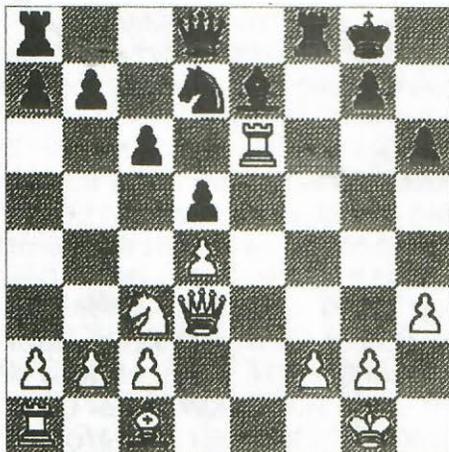


20.Nxd5! Qd7 [20...exd5 21.e6] 21.Nf6

Nxf6 22.exf6 Bxf6 23.Nxf7+ [23.Bxb8 is an even better continuation for White... 23...Rxb8 24.Bxc6 Qxc6 25.Qf4 e5 26. Nxf7+ Kg8 27.Nxe5] Qxf7 24.Bxb8 Rxb8 25.Bxc6 Bxd3 26.Qe3 c4 27.Rac1 Qg7 28.Qxe6 h6 (Although White has a clear superior position, Black's bishops are so dominating that it makes it difficult to find the right plan to bring home the point. I'm going to guess this contributes to White's loss in this game.) 29.Qd6 Rd8 30.Qb4 g5 31.hxg5 Bxg5 32.Rcd1 Bf6 33.Rc1 Be5 34.Qb7 Qf6 35.Rxe5 Qxe5 36.Qxa7 Qf6 37.Bg2 Rd6 (And Black won, presumably on time) 0-1

**George Lombardi - Darron Wallace**  
 1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 c6 4.Nf3 b5 5.a3 Bb7 6.b4 Nbd7 7.Bd3 e5 8.d5 exd5 9. exd5 a6 10.0-0 Be7 11.Re1 0-0 12.Bg5 h6 13.Bxf6 Bxf6 14.Ne4 Be7 15.Nfd2 Bxd5 16.Re3 f5 17.Nc3 Be6 18.Rg3 Rc8 19.Qh5 Bf6 20.Ne2 Bg5 21.Nf3 Bf7 22. Qh3 e4 23.Nxg5 hxg5 24.Qxf5 exd3 25. Qxd3 Ne5 26.Qf5 Bg6 27.Qe6+ Bf7 28. Qf5 Qf6 29.Qxg5 Nf3+ 30.gxf3 Qxa1+ 31.Kg2 Rxc2 32.Nf4 Qd4 33.Nh5 Qxf2+ 34.Kh3 Be6+ 35.Kh4 Qxh2+ 0-1

**Doug Hamilton - Phil Brown**  
 1.e4 e6 2.Nc3 d5 3.exd5 exd5 4.d4 Nf6 5. Nf3 Be7 6.Bd3 Be6 7.0-0 0-0 8.Re1 Nbd7 9.h3 c6 10.Ng5 h6 11.Nxe6 fxe6 12.Rxe6 Nh7 13.Bxh7+ Kxh7 14.Qd3+ Kg8

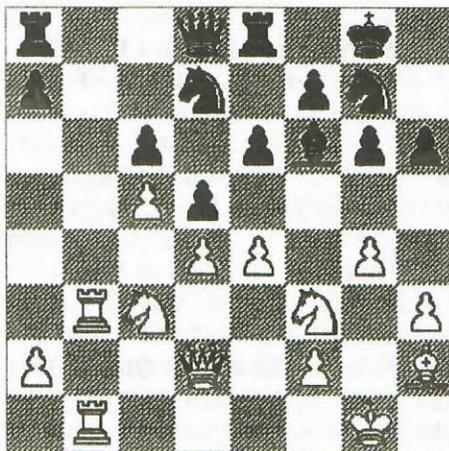


15.Bxh6! Rf6 16.Qg3 Bf8 17.Rae1 Rxe6 18.Rxe6 Nf6 19.Qg6 Rc8 20.Bg5 Be7 21. f4 Qf8 22.g4 Qf7 23.Qf5 Re8 24.Qe5 Bd6 25.Rxe8+ Nxe8 26.Qe3 Nf6 27.f5 Kf8 28.Bf4 Qd7 29.Kf2 b6 30.Kf3 c5 31. Bxd6+ Qxd6 32.Qe5 Qd7 33.h4 cxd4 34. Qxd4 Qd6 35.g5 Nd7 36.Qxd5 Ne5+ 37. Ke4 Qxd5+ 38.Nxd5 1-0

**John Peeters - Allan Ufer**  
 1.Nf3 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 c6 4.Bf4 Nf6 5. e4 0-0 6.Qd2 Re8 7.e5 Nh5 8.Bh6 Bh8 9. g4 Ng7 10.h4 d6 11.h5 Bxg4 12.hxg6 fxg6 13.Qf4 Bxf3 14.Qxf3 Rf8 15.Qh3 Qd7 16.Qh2 Rf7 17.0-0-0 Nf5 18.Bh3 Qe6 19.f4 Nd7 20.Rdg1 b5 21.Rg5 b4 22.Bxf5 Rxf5 23.Ne4 d5 24.Ng3 Rxg5 25. Bxg5 Qf7 26.e6! Qg7 27.exd7 Qf7 28. Re1 Bf6 29.Qh4 Kg7 30.f5 Kf8 31.Re6 Rd8 32.Rxc6 Bxg5+ 33.Qxg5 Rxd7 34. Rc8+ Kg7 35.Nh5# 1-0

**Shawn Svare - Al Gardner**  
 1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.f4 Nc6 4.Nf3 e6 5. Bd3 Bb4+ 6.Nbd2 Nf6 7.0-0 0-0 8.e5 Nd5 9.Bxh7+ Kh8 [9...Kxh7 10.Ng5+ Kg6+] 10.Ne4 Be7 11.Nfg5 g6 12.Qe1 Kg7 13.Rf3 Rh8 14.Qh4 f5 15.Rh3 Bxg5 16.Nxg5 Kf8 17.Qh6+ 1-0

**Ann Davies - David Brunner**  
 1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Nf3 g6 5. Bg5 Bg7 6.h3 0-0 7.e3 e6 8.b4 Nbd7 9.c5 b6 10.Rb1 bxc5 11.bxc5 Qa5 12.Qd2 Re8 13.Be2 h6 14.Bf4 Nh5 15.Bh2 Bf6 16.0-0 Ng7 17.Rb3 [17.Nxd5!] Ba6 18. Rfb1 Bxe2 19.Qxe2 Nf5 20.Qd2 Qd8 21. g4 Ng7 22.e4

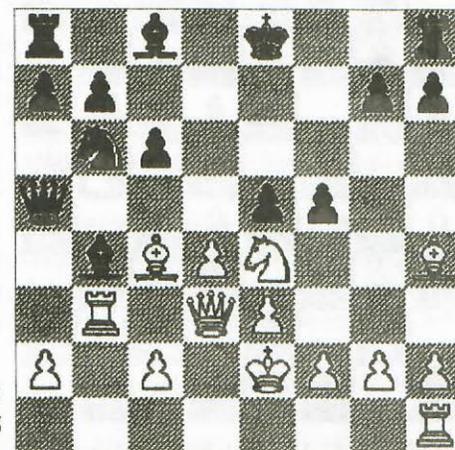


e5 23.exd5 exd4 24.Nxd4 Bg5 25.f4 Nxc5 26.Rb4 Bf6 27.Nxc6 Bxc3 28.Qxc3 Qxd5 29.Ne5 Ne4 30.Qf3 Qc5+ 31.Kh1 Nd2 32.Nd7 Qe7 33.Qd3 Nxb1 34.Rxb1 Rad8 35.Rb7 Qe1+ 36.Bg1 Qe6 37.Rxa7 Qc6+ 38.Kh2 Ne6 39.Nf6+ Kh8 40.Qf1 [40. Qxg6! Qg2+ (40...fxg6 41.Rh7#) 41.Kxg2 Nxf4+ 42.Kg3 Nxg6 43.Nxe8+] Rd2+ 41.Kg3 Qc3+ 42.Qf3 Qxf6 43.Be3 Rd3 44.Kf2 Nd8 0-1

## ROUND 2

**Renard Anderson - David Bowers**  
 1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5. Nce2 c5 6.c3 Be7 7.f4 Nc6 8.g3 Qb6 9. Bh3 cxd4 10.cxd4 Bb4+ 11.Kf1 0-0 12. Kg2 a5 13.Nf3 a4 14.Rf1 f5 15.exf6 Nxf6 16.a3 Bd6 17.Nc3 Qa6 18.Re1 Nd8 19. Ng5 Bc7 20.Be3 Bd7 21.Qe2 h6 22.Nf3 Qxe2+ 23.Rxe2 Nc6 24.Bf2 Rfe8 25.Rd1 Kf7 26.Kg1 Ra6 27.Ne5+ Nxe5 28.fxe5 [28.dxe5 Nh7 29.Nxd5] Nh7 29.Be3 [29. Nxd5] Ba5 30.Rc1 Ke7 31.Rf2 Rb6 32. Bf1 Rc8 33.h4 Bxc3 34.bxc3 Rb3 35.Bd2 Rxa3 36.Bd3 Rh8 37.Rcf1 Be8 38.Rb1 Bc6 39.Be1 Nf8 40.Rfb2 Nd7 41.Bb5 Rc8 42.c4 Rd3 43.cxd5 Bxb5 44.d6+ Kd8 45.Rxb5 b6 46.d5 Nxe5 47.dxe6 Nf3+ 48.Kg2 Nxe1+ 49.Rxe1 Rc2+ 50. Kh3 Rxd6 51.Re3 Rc5 52.Rb4 b5 53.Rg4 g5 54.hxg5 hxg5 55.Rge4 Ke7 56.Kg4 Ra6 57.Re2 a3 58.Ra2 Rc4 59.Rxc4 bxc4 60.Kxg5 c3 61.Kf5 c2 62.Rxc2 Ra5+ (David played this R&P ending quite well.) 0-1

**Matt Galman - Mike Shedd**  
 1.d4 d5 2.Bg5 Nd7 3.e3 Ngf6 4.Nf3 Ne4 5.Bh4 e6 6.Nbd2 Qb6 7.Nxe4 dxe4 8. Nd2 Qxb2 9.Nxe4 e5 10.Bc4 Bb4+ 11. Ke2 Nb6 12.Rb1 Qa3 13.Rb3 Qa5 14. Qd3 f5



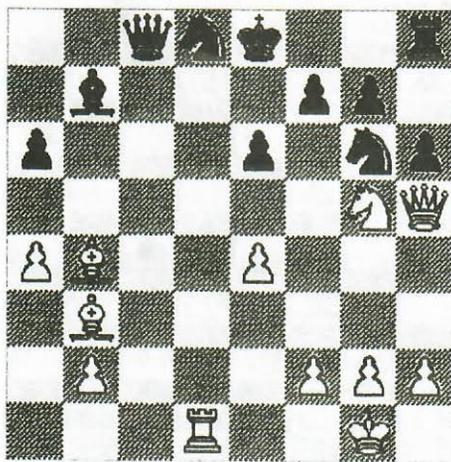
15.dxe5 Nd7 16.e6 Ne5 17.Nd6+ Bxd6 18.Qxd6 Ng6 19.Ra3 [19.Rxb7 Qb6 20. Re7+ Kf8 21.Rd7+ Ne7 22.Qxe7+ Kg8 23.Qxg7#-Fritz4-ed] 1-0

**John Klinski - Jeffrey Cohen**  
 1.e4 e6 2.f4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.d4 e6 5.Nf3 Nd7 6.Be2 c5 7.0-0 c4 8.Nc3 a6 9.Bd2 Be7 10.b3 b5 11.a4 b4 12.Na2 c3 13.Be1 a5 14.Nc1 h5 15.Bb5 Nh6 16.Nd3 Kf8

17.Qe2 Bg4 18.h3 Bxf3 19.Rxf3 Nf5 20. Bf2 Ra7 21.Kh2 Qb6 22.Rf1 g6 23.Kh1 h4 24.Bxd7 Rxd7 25.Nc5 Bxc5 26.dxc5 Qc7 27.Qb5 d4 28.Rd1 Rd5 29.Qb6 Qxc5 30.Qxc5+ Rxc5 31.Bxd4 Rd5 32. Rfd3 Ng3+ 33.Kh2 Ne2 34.Be3 Rxd3 35. Rxd3 Ke7 36.f5 exf5? 37.Bg5+ Ke6 38. Bf6 Rg8 39.Rd6# A quick turn-around from the superior position Black enjoyed most of the game! 1-0

**Debbie Johnson - Mark Schlagenhaut**  
1.d4 g6 2.c4 Bg7 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.e4 0-0 5. Be2 d6 6.Be3 e5 7.d5 a5 8.Nf3 Na6 9. Bd3 Ng4 10.Bd2 Nc5 11.Bc2 f5 12.Qe2 Bd7 13.h3 Nf6 14.exf5 gxf5 15.0-0-0 c6 16.Be3 cxd5 17.Nxe5 Nfe4 18.Nxd7 Nxc3 19.bxc3 Qxd7 20.Bxc5 dxc5 21.Rxd5 Qc6 22.Qd2 Rae8 23.f4 b5 24.Bxf5 b4 25.Bd7 Qf6 26.Bxe8 bxc3 27.Qe3 c2 28. Re1? [A shame! - 28.Re5 Qxf4 29.Qxf4 Rxf4 30.Rh5 Rxc4 - Fritz4 - ed.] 28... Qb2+ 29.Kd2 0-1

**Jeff Baffo - Mark Labencki**  
1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.c3 dxc3 4.Nxc3 d6 5. Nf3 Nc6 6.Bc4 e6 7.0-0 Be7 8.Qe2 a6 9. Rd1 Qc7 10.Bf4 b5 11.Bb3 Bb7 12.Rac1 Rc8 13.a4 b4 14.Nd5 Qb8 15.Nxe7 Ngxe7 16.Bxd6 Qa8 17.Ng5 Nd8 18. Bxb4 h6 19.Rxc8 Qxc8 20.Qh5 Ng6



21.Nxf7! Kxf7 22.Qf5+ Kg8 23.Qxg6 Qa8 24.Rxd8+ 1-0

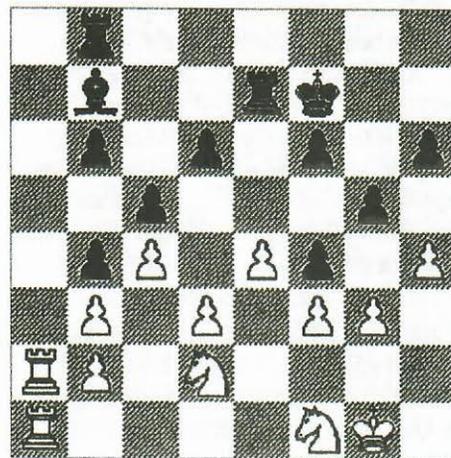
**J.C. MacNeil - Mike Presutti**  
1.b4 e5 2.b5 a6 3.e4 axb5 4.Bxb5 Nf6 5. Nc3 Bb4 6.Nf3 0-0 7.Bd3 d6 8.h3 Qe7 9.0-0 Nc6 10.Nd5 Nxd5 11.exd5 Nb8 12. c3 Bc5 13.Bc2 Nd7 14.d4 exd4 15.Re1 Qd8 16.Qd3 f5 17.Ng5 Ne5 18.Qg3 dxc3 19.Qxc3 Qf6 20.Ne6 Bxe6 21.dxe6 Bxf2+! 22.Kf1 [22.Kxf2 Ng4+ 23.hxg4 Qxc3] Bxe1 23.Qxe1 Qxe6 24.Bb3 d5 25.

Bf4 Qa6+ 26.Kg1 Nd3 27.Bxd5+ Kh8 28.Qg3 Nxf4 29.Qxf4 Qf6 30.Rb1 c6 31. Bb3 g5 32.Qc7 f4 33.Re1 f3 34.Re7 f2+ 35.Kh2 0-1

**Michael Gano - Wolfgang Kern**  
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 b6 4.Nc3 Bb4 5. a3 Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 Bb7 7.Bg5 0-0 8.Nd2 h6 9.Bh4 d6 10.f3 Nbd7 11.e4 c5 12.Bd3 g5 13.Bf2 Nh5 14.g3 e5 15.f4 Ng7 16. fxc5 Qxc5 17.Nf3 Qh5 18.h3 f5 19.d5 fxe4 20.Bxe4 Nf6 21.Nd2 Qxd1+ 22. Rxd1 Ba6 23.Bd3 Nxd5 [23...e4 is also good.] 24.Be4 Nxc3 25.Bxa8 Nxd1 26. Bd5+ Kh8 27.Bxc5 dxc5 28.Kxd1 Nh5 29.Ne4 Rf3 30.Nxc5 Rxa3 31.Nxa6 Rxa6 32.Kc2 Nxc3 33.Rg1 Ra3 34.Re1 e4 35. Bxe4 Nxe4 36.Rxe4 Kg7 37.h4 Kf6 38. Rd4 Kg6 39.Rd5 Rf3 40.Rd7 Rf7 41.Rd5 h5 42.Kb3 Rf6 43.Rg5+ Kh6 44.Rd5 a6 45.Kb4 Rg6 46.Kc3 Rc6 47.Kb4 Rf6 48. Kc3 a5 49.Rb5 a4 50.Kb4 Rc6 51.Rd5 a3 52.Rd3 Kg6 53.Rxa3 Kf5 54.Kb5 Rc5+ 55.Kb4 Ke4 56.Ra7 Kd4 57.Rd7+ Ke4 58.Rd6 Kf4 59.Rxb6 Rc8 60.c5 [60. Rg6] Kg4 61.Rd6 Kxh4 62.Rg6 Kh3 63. c6 h4 64.Kc5 Kh2 65.Kd4 h3 66.Ke3 Rc7 67.Kf3 Kh1 ½-½

**Dennis Earl - Marc Willhite**  
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 0-0 8.c3 Re8 9. d4 d6 10.h3 Na5 11.Bc2 c5 12.d5 c4 13. a4 Bd7 14.axb5 axb5 15.b4 Nb7 16.Na3 h6 17.Nh2 Nh7 18.Re3 Bg5 19.Rg3 Bxc1 20.Qxc1 Kh8 21.Ng4 Bxg4 22.hxg4 Qd7 23.f3 g5 24.Rh3 Kg7 25.Kf2 Rh8 26.Qh1 Nf8 27.Qh2 Rxa3 28.Rxa3 f6 29.Qh1 Ng6 30.g3 Qc7 31.Qa1 Qb6+ 32.Ke2 Rb8 33.Ra8 Nd8 34.Ra7+ Nf7 35.Rxf7+ Kxf7 36.Rxh6 Rh8 37.Qh1 Qb8 38.Rh7+ Kg8 39.Rh6 Kg7 40.Rh5 Rxh5 41.gxh5 Qh8 42.Kd2 Ne7 43.Qh3 Qc8 44.f4 Kh6 45.Qh1 Qa6 46.Qc1 Ne8 47.Ke2 Nb6 48. Kd2 Qa2 49.Qb1 Qa6 50.Qc1 [50.fxc5+ fxc5 51.Qf1±] ½-½

**Bill Barber - Tom Stocks**  
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Bd6 4.0-0 Nge7 5.d3 Nd4 6.Ba4 b5 7.Bb3 Nxb3 8.axb3 c5 9.c4 b4 10.Bg5 f6 11.Be3 Ng6 12. Nfd2 Nf4 13.Bxf4 exf4 14.Qh5+ g6 15. Qd5 Rb8 16.Qxd6 Qb6 17.Qxb6 axb6 18.f3 0-0 19.Rc1 d6 20.Nf1 Rf7 21.Nbd2 Re7 22.Ra2 Kf7 23.Rca1 Bb7 24.g3 g5 25.h4 h6



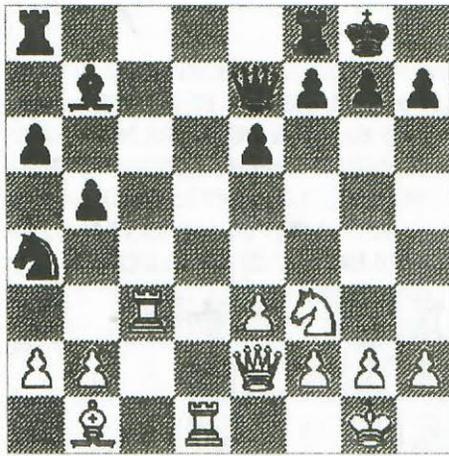
26.h5 Ke6 27.Kg2 Rg7 28.g4 Ke5 29. Rd1 Bc6 30.Ra1 Rc7 (This is quite a final position! Although White is a clear piece up, the position is so blockaded that the win is elusive. The White knights have no way to get into the game without giving one of them up. Even so, I have a feeling that White might find a win here by getting a pawn for one of his knights, and then the other one is free. (Fritz and the editors like getting the king to e2 and the rooks on a6 + a1 - eds.)

Obviously, White would have simplified his life by (for example), opening up the position a little earlier in the game. say at by 18.g3 instead of 18.f3, or up until the pawns were played to h5 and g4.) ½-½

### ROUND 3

**Joe Bihlmeyer - Dwight Sehler**  
1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.Bf4 Bg7 4.Nbd2 d6 5.e4 0-0 6.Be2 Nbd7 7.0-0 e5 8.dxe5 Nh5 9.Bg5 f6 10.exf6 Nhxf6 11.c3 Kh8 12. Nd4 Qe8 13.f3 Nc5 14.N2b3 Ne6 15. Nxe6 Bxe6 16.Nd4 Rd8 17.Re1 Rd7 18. Bb5 c6 19.Ba4 Qf7 20.Bb3 d5 21.Qd2 Nh5 22.Nxe6 Qxe6 23.Rad1 Be5 24.exd5 Qd6 25.Rxe5 Qxe5 26.Re1 Qc7 27.Qd4+ Ng7 28.Qxa7 cxd5 29.Qa3 Rc8 30.Bf6 h6 31.Bc2 d4 32.Bxg6 d3 33.Re8+ Rxe8 34.Bxe8 Qb6+ [34...d2] 35.Bd4 Rxd4 [35...Qe6!] 36.Qf8+ Kh7 37.cxd4 Qxd4+ 38.Kf1 d2 39.Ba4 Qxa4 40.b3 d1Q+ 41. Kf2 Qad4+ 42.Kg3 Qe1+ 0-1

**Mark Schlagenhaut - Mike Shedd**  
1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5. e3 0-0 6.Rc1 b6 7.Be2 dxc4 8.Bxc4 Bb7 9.Nf3 Nbd7 10.0-0 c5 11.Qe2 a6 12.Rfd1 b5 13.Bd3 Nd5 14.Bxe7 Qxe7 15.dxc5 Nxc3 16.Rxc3 Nxc5 17.Bb1 Na4?



18.Qc2 Be4 19.Qxe4 f5 20.Qe5 Nxc3 21.Qxc3 Rac8 22.Qb3 Kh8 23.g3 e5 24.a4 bxa4 25.Qxa4 Rf6 26.Ba2 f4 27.exf4 exf4 28.Ng5 fvg3 29.hvg3 Rcf8 30.Qc2 [30.Nxh7! is a pretty but tricky line that Fritz4 found. 30...Kxh7 (30...Rxf2 31.Nxf8 Rxf8 32.Qh4+) 31.Qh4+ Kg6 32.Bb1+ Kf7 33.Qh5+ g6 34.Qh7+ Ke8 35.Bxg6+] g6 31.Qc3 h6 32.Ne6 Rb8 33.Rd7! Qxd7 34.Qxf6+ Kh7 35.Nf8+ Rxf8 36.Qxf8 1-0

**Gary Bagstad - David Keller**

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 b6 4.Bg2 Bb7 5.d3 g6 6.f4 e6 7.Nf3 Nge7 8.0-0 Bg7 9.Be3 0-0 10.d4 cxd4 11.Nxd4 Rc8 12.Ndb5 Ba6 13.Rf2 Bxb5 14.Nxb5 Bxb2 15.Rb1 Bg7 16.Nxa7! Nxa7 17.Bxb6 Qe8 [17...Rc7 18.Qd6!] 18.Bxa7 d5 19.exd5 Nxd5 20.Bxd5 exd5 21.Qxd5 Qa4 22.Be3 Rxc2 23.Rxc2 Qxc2 24.Rb7 Qf5 25.Qxf5 gxf5 26.a3 Bf6 27.a4 Ra8 28.Rb4 Kg7 29.Bb6 Bc3 30.Rc4 Bd2 31.Rc2 Bb4 32.Ra2 h5 33.a5 h4 34.Kg2 hxg3 35.Kxg3 Ra6 36.Kf3 Kg6 37.h3 Kh5 38.Kg2 Bc3 39.Ra4 Bd2 40.Bc7 Bc3 41.Bd8 Bd2 42.Bc7 Ra7 43.a6? Be3 [43...Rxc7! 44.a7 Rc8 45.a8Q Rxa8 46.Rxa8 Bxf4 should be a fairly easy draw to hold.] 44.Bb8 Ra8 45.a7 Bb6 46.Kf3 Bg1 47.Ra6 Bd4 48.Ra5 Kg6 49.Kg3 Be3 50.Ra2 [50.Kh4?? Bf2#] Bd4 51.Kh4 Bf6+ 52.Kg3 Bd4 53.Be5 Rxa7 54.Rg2 Bxe5 55.fxe5 Ra3+ 56.Kf4+ Kh6 57.Rg3 Ra1 58.Kxf5 Rf1+ 59.Ke4 Kh5 60.Rf3 Rxf3 61.Kxf3 Kh4 62.Ke4 Kxh3 63.Kf5 Kg3 64.Kg5 Kf3 65.Kf5 Ke3 66.Kg5 Ke4 67.Kf6 Kd5 ½-½

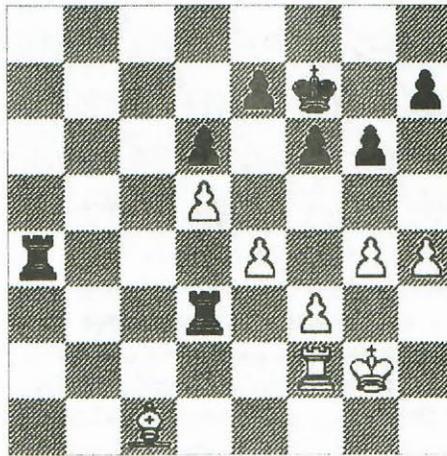
**Ron Rossi - Morgan Robb**

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 exd5 4.Bd3 Nf6 5.Bg5 Be7 6.Nf3 0-0 7.0-0 Ne4 8.Bxe7 Qxe7 9.Re1 f5 10.Nfd2 Qb4 11.Bxe4 fxe4 12.c3 (possibly Nc3 was played

here??. score isn't clear) Qxb2 13.Rf1 Nc6 14.Nb3 a5 15.f3 e3 16.Re1 Qf2+ 17.Kh1 Rxf3 18.gxf3 Bh3 19.Rg1 e2 20.N1d2 exd1Q 21.Raxd1 Re8 22.Nc5 Re2 0-1

**Josh Smith - Jeffrey Baffo**

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e5 3.d5 b5 4.cxb5 a6 5.bxa6 g6 6.Nc3 Bxa6 7.e4 Bxf1 8.Kxf1 d6 9.g3 Bg7 10.Kg2 0-0 11.h3 Nbd7 12.Nf3 Qa5 13.Re1 Rfb8 14.Re2 Ne8 15.Qc2 Nc7 16.Nd2 Nb6 17.Nb3 Qa6 18.Bg5 Nc4 19.Rb1 Na3 20.bxa3 Bxc3 21.Qxc3 [21.Bxe7] Qxe2 22.Re1 Qxa2 23.Bh6 f6 24.Nxc5 Qxa3 [24...Rxa3] 25.Nb3 Qxb3 26.Qxc7 Qb7 27.Qxb7 Rxb7 28.h4 Rc8 29.g4 Kf7 30.Kg3 Rb2 31.Ra1 Rb4 32.f3 Rb3 33.Rc1 Ra8 34.Rc2 Raa3 35.Rf2 Rd3 36.Bc1 Ra4 37.Kg2



f5 38.h5 gxh5 39.gxf5 Rc4 40.Bf4 Rxd5 41.Kg3 Rd3 42.Rh2 Rxe4 43.Rxh5 Rxf4 44.Kxf4 Kg7 45.Ke4 Rd1 46.Rh4 Re1+ 47.Kd4 Re5 48.Rh5 Re1 49.Rh4 Rf1 50.Ke4 Ra1 51.Ke3 Ra3+ 52.Ke2 Ra8 53.Re4 Ra7 54.Ke3 h5 55.Kf4 d5 56.Rd4 Rd7 57.Kg5 Rd6 58.Kxh5 Kf6 59.Kg4 Ke5 60.Rf4 Rc6 [60...Rd8! 61.Ra4 (61.Kg3 Rg8+ 62.Rg4 Rxg4+ 63.fvg4 Ke4!-+) 61...Rg8+ 62.Kh4 Kxf5] 61.Ra4 Rc4+ 62.f4+! (forced) Kf6 63.Ra6+ Kf7 64.f6 exf6 65.Kf5 ½-½

**Chris Mink - Bela Geczy**

1.e4 Nc6 2.Nc3 e5 3.Bc4 Nf6 4.f4 Nxe4 5.Qh5 g6 6.Qf3 Nxc3 7.dxc3 Bg7 8.Ne2 0-0 9.Bd2 d6 10.0-0-0 Be6 11.Bxe6 fxe6 12.h4 Qe7 13.Qh3 Bh6 14.h5 Bxf4 15.Nxf4 exf4 16.hxg6 Ne5 17.gxh7+ Kh8 18.Rde1 Rae8 19.c4 Nxc4 20.Qc3+ Ne5 21.Rxe5 dxe5 22.Qxe5+ Qf6?[22...Qg7 23.Bc3 Re7 leaves the game still in doubt. Fritz4 gives White about a half pawn plus, but I wonder if there is a chance that

White's h7 pawn may fall. 24.Qe4 e5 25.Bb4 c6 26.Bxe7 Qxe7] 23.Bc3 1-0

**Ed Schreiber - Joseph Fromme**

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Bf5 5.Ng3 Bg6 6.h4 h6 7.h5 Bh7 8.Nf3 Nd7 9.Bd3 Bxd3 10.Qxd3 e6 11.Bf4 Ngf6 12.0-0 Be7 13.c4 Qa5 14.Kb1 b5 15.Ne5 Rc8 16.Ne4 Nxe4 17.Qxe4 Nf6 18.Qf3 Qa6 19.cxb5 cxb5 20.Rc1 0-0 21.Rc6 Rxc6 22.Nxc6 Nd5 23.Rc1 Rc8 24.Qxd5! exd5 25.Nxe7+ Kf8 26.Nxc8 Qf6 27.Be3 Qf5+ 28.Ka1 a6 29.a3 Qxh5 30.g3 Qe2 31.Nb6 Qf3 32.Nd7+ Ke8 33.Ne5 Qe2 34.Rc8+ Ke7 35.Rc7+ Ke6 36.Rxf7 Qd1+ 37.Ka2 1-0

**Michael Gano - Michael Kass**

1.d4 f5 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 d5 5.Bf4 e6 6.e3 Qa5 7.a3 Nbd7 8.b4 Qd8 9.Ne5 Be7 10.Be2 0-0 11.0-0 Nxe5 12.Bxe5 Bd6 13.Rc1 Ne4 14.f4 Bxe5 15.dxe5 Nxc3 16.Rxc3 a5 17.Qb3 b6 18.b5 Bb7 19.cxd5 cxd5 20.Rfc1 Rf7 21.Kf2 d4 22.R3c2 Bd5 23.Bc4 a4 24.Qd3 Qh4+ 25.Kg1 Be4 26.Qxd4 Bxc2 27.Bxe6 Bb3 28.Bxf7+ Bxf7 29.Qxb6 Bd5 30.g3 Qg4 31.Rf1 [31.e4 is recommend by Fritz4 as even. 31...fxe4 (31...Bxe4 32.Qe6+ Kf8 33.Rc8+ Rxc8 34.Qxc8+ Kf7 35.e6+ Kg6 36.Qe8+ Kh6 37.Qd8! g6 38.b6) 32.Qd6 Qe6 33.b6 Qxd6 34.exd6 Rd8 35.Rc7 Rxd6 36.b7 Bxb7 37.Rxb7 e3 38.Kf1 Rd3 39.Ke2 Rxa3 40.h4] Rc8 32.e6 Qe2 33.e4 Qxe4 34.Qf2 Qh1# 0-1

**Emanuel Weiss - Al Skarie**

1.d4 d5 2.Nc3 e6 3.e4 Bb4 4.Nge2 dxe4 5.a3 Bxc3+ 6.Nxc3 Nc6 7.Bb5 Bd7 8.0-0 a6 9.Ba4 b5 10.Bb3 Qf6 11.d5 Nce7 12.Nxe4 Qg6 13.dxe6 Bxe6 14.Bxe6 Qxe6 15.Ng5 Qc6 16.Re1 Rd8 17.Qe2 Rd7 18.Nf3 f6 19.Bf4 Nh6 20.Bxh6 gxh6 21.Nd4 Qc4 22.Qh5+ [22.Nf5 is strong] Qf7 23.Qxf7+ Kxf7 24.Nf3 Rhd8 25.Kf1 Nf5 26.Re2 Nd4 27.Nxd4 Rxd4 28.Rae1 R8d7 29.g3 Rd2 30.Rxd2 Rxd2 31.Re2 Rxe2 (Black should not be so eager to enter into a pure pawn ending with his crippled kingside pawns. Keeping the rooks on the board retains good drawing opportunities.) 32.Kxe2 Ke6 33.Kf3 Kd5 34.Kf4 Ke6 35.g4 e5 36.Ke4 a5 37.c3 b4 38.cxb4 cxb4 39.axb4 axb4 40.b3 h5 41.h3 h6 42.f3 hxg4 43.fvg4 Kf7 44.Kf5 Kg7 45.h4 Kf7 46.h5 Kg7 47.Ke6 Kh7 48.Kxf6 1-0

George Pletcher - Bob Anderson

1.b4 e5 2.a3 Nf6 3.Bb2 d6 4.e3 Be6 5.c4 Nbd7 6.Nf3 Be7 7.d4 exd4 8.Nxd4 Bg4 9.f3 Bh5 10.Nd2 Bg6 11.f4 c5 12.Nc2 0-0 13.Be2 Qc7 14.Bf3 Rfe8 15.0-0 Bf8 16. Re1 Ne4 17.Re2 Re6 18.Bg4 f5 19.Bf3 Rae8 20.Nf1 Ndf6 21.Qd3 Qf7 22.Rd1 Bh5 23.Nd2 Qg6 24.Bxh5 Qxh5 25.Nf3 Ng4 26.Rf1 Rh6 27.g3 [27.h3 Ng3 28. hxg4 Qxg4+] Nng3 28.Rg2 Nxf1 29. Qxf1 Nxe3 30.Nxe3 Rxe3 31.Ng5 Rg6 32.Bc1 Re7 33.Rg3 h6 34.Nf3 Rxg3+ 35. hxg3 Qf7 36.bxc5 dxc5 37.Ne5 Qe8 38. Qd1 Rxe5! (Probably the simplest way to resolve the position.) 39.fxe5 Qxe5 40.Bf4 Qd4+ 41.Qxd4 cxd4 42.a4 Bb4 43.Kf1 d3 44.Be3 a6 45.Kf2 Kf7 46.Kf3 Kg6 47. Kf2 Kh5 48.Kf3 g5 49.Kf2 Kg4 50.Bd4 d2 51.Ke2 Kxg3 52.Bg7 h5 53.Bh6 g4 54.Be3 f4 55.Bf2+ Kg2 56.Bh4 f3+ 57. Kd1 g3 58.Bg5 f2 0-1

Ann Davies - Teddy Doykos

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Nf3 Be7 5.e3 c5 6.cxd5 exd5 7.Bd2 b6 8.Bd3 Bb7 9.0-0 10.Qc2 c4 11.Be2 Ne4 12.Nxe4 dxe4 13.Ne5 b5 14.b3 cxb3 15.Qxb3 a6 16.a4 Bf6 17.Bb4 bxa4 18.Rxa4 Bd5 19. Bc4 Bxc4 20.Qxc4 Be7 21.Bxe7 Qxe7 22.Qd5 Ra7 23.Qxe4 f6 24.Qd5+ Kh8 25.Nd3 Rd8 26.Qf3 Qe8 27.Rc4 Rc8 28. Qe4! Nc6? 29.Qxe8+ Rxe8 30.Rxc6 a5 31.Rfc1 Raa8 32.d5 Rad8 33.d6 h5 34. Nc5 Rc8 35.Rxc8 Rxc8 36.d7 Rd8 37. Rd1 Kg8 38.Nb7 a4 39.Nxd8 1-0

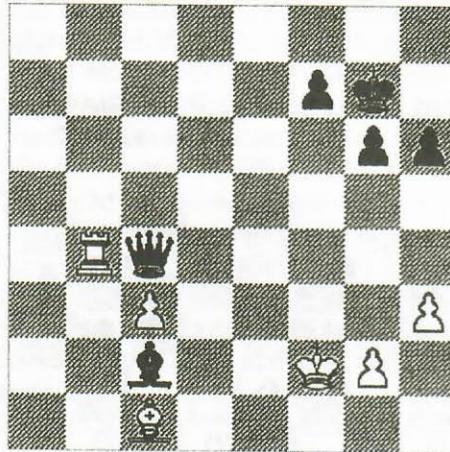
Andrew Miller - Steve Sparks

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.c4 e6 4.d4 exd5 5. Nc3 Nc6 6.Bg5 Bb4 7.Nf3 Qe7+ 8.Be2 dxc4 9.0-0 Be6 10.d5 0-0-0 11.Bxc4 Bg4 12.Re1 Qc5 13.Bb3 Bxc3 14.Rc1 Qf8 15. Rxc3 Rd7 16.Bxf6 gxf6 17.Qd3 Qd8 18. Qe4 Bxf3 19.Qxf3 Ne5 20.Qe3 Kb8 21. Rec1 Re8 22.Qh3 Rde7 23.f4 Ng6 24. Qg3 Re2 25.Rxc7 Re1+ 26.Rxe1 Rxe1+ 27.Qxe1 Qxc7 28.Qe8+ Qc8 29.Qxc8+ Kxc8 30.f5 Ne5 31.Kf2 Nd3+ 32.Ke3 Ne5 [32...Nxb2 33.Kd4 b5 34.Kc3 Na4+ 35.Bxa4 bxa4 36.Kb4 Kd7 37.Kc5±] 33. Kd4 b6 34.d6 a6 35.Bxf7? Nxf7 36.Kd5 Kd7 37.g4 Nxd6 38.h4 Nf7 39.a4 Nh6 40.g5 ffg5 41.hxg5 Nxf5 42.Ke5 Nh4 43. Kf6 Nf3 44.b4 Kc6 45.Kf5 Kd5 46.Kg4 Nng5 0-1

Joe Aragon - Chet Marino

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nc3 Nc6 4.Bb5 d6 5.0-0 Be7 6.h3 0-0 7.Re1 a6 8.Bc4 b5 9.

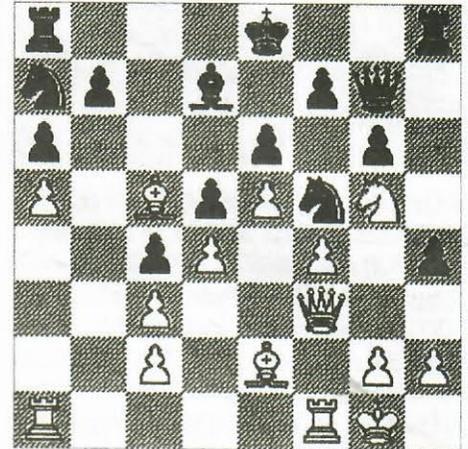
Bf1 d5 10.exd5 Nxd5 11.Nxe5 Nxc3 12. bxc3 Nxe5 13.Rxe5 Bf6 14.Re1 c5 15. Rb1 c4 16.Qe2 Bb7 17.Qg4 Qa5 18.a3 Qc7 19.a4 Bc8 20.Qe2 Bd7 21.Qf3 Bc6 22.Qh5 g6 23.Qh6 Bg7 24.Qh4 Rfe8 25. Rxe8+ Rxe8 26.Bb2 Re4 27.Qg5 h6 28. Qc5 Bf8 (After being pushed around the board for the last ten moves, the White queen is finally trapped.) 29.d3 Bxc5 30. dxe4 Bxe4 31.axb5 axb5 32.Bc1 Kg7 [32...Qg3! 33.Be3 Bxe3 34.fxe3 Qxe3+] 33.Rxb5 Bxc2 34.Bxc4 Bxf2+ 35.Kxf2 Qxc4 36.Rb4



Qxc3? 37.Bb2 Qxb2 38.Rxb2 (And now, after both queens have been trapped, the position should be a draw, with all the pawns on one side of the board.) Bf5 39. g4 Be6 40.Kg3 g5 41.h4 gxh4+ 42.Kxh4 Kg6 43.Rb5 f5 (I think an easier way to draw would be to just leave the pawns where they are, and shuttle the Black king between h7, g7, g6.) 44.gxf5+ Bxf5 45. Rb6+ Kh7 46.Kh5 Bd3 47.Rb7+! (The right way to win the pawn, driving the king to the edge of the board. Nonetheless, this is still a draw with correct play.) 47...Kg8 [47...Kh8 48.Kxh6 Bc4 is a drawing idea here. Black's king is safe if trapped in the corner opposite color to his bishop, because attempts to pin the bishop result in stalemate. 49.Rb8+ Bg8] 48. Kxh6 Be4 49.Rc7 Kf8 50.Kg5 Ke8 (Here, Black is taking unnecessary chances.) 51.Kf6 Bd5 52.Ke5 Kd8 (And I believe this is the move which throws away the draw.) 53.Kd6 Bf3 (There is no safe place for the bishop [53...Bg8 54.Rg7 Bc4 55.Rg4 Bf7 (55...Bb3 56.Rb4) 56.Rh4 Kc8 57.Rh8+ Kb7 58.Rh7]) 54.Rf7 Bh5 55.Rf8+ Be8 56.Ke6 Kc7 57.Rxe8 Kc6 58.Rc8+ Kb5 59.Kd5 (Although it took some errors by his opponent, White played this ending very well, making the

Jack Coleman - David Brunner

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.a3 Bxc3+ 5. bxc3 c5 6.e5 Nc6 7.Qg4 g6 8.Nf3 Qc7 9. Be2 Nge7 10.0-0 c4 11.Ng5 Nf5 12.Qh3 h6 13.f4 Qe7 14.a4 Qf8 15.Nf3 Bd7 16. a5 a6 17.Ba3 Qg7 18.Bc5 h5 19.Ng5 Nce7 20.Bb6 Nc8 21.Bc5 h4 22.Qf3 Na7



23.Bxc4! Nb5 [23...dxc4 24.Qxb7 Bc6 25. Qxa6 Bb5 26.Qb7 Bc6 27.Qc7+]-]24.Bb3 Rc8 25.Rad1 Rb8 26.c4 dxc4 27.Bxc4 f6 28.exf6 Qxf6 29.c3 Nbd6 30.Bxe6 Bxe6 31.Nxe6 [31...Qxe6 32.Rfe1] Nc4 32.d5 Rf8 33.Nxf8 1-0

ROUND 4

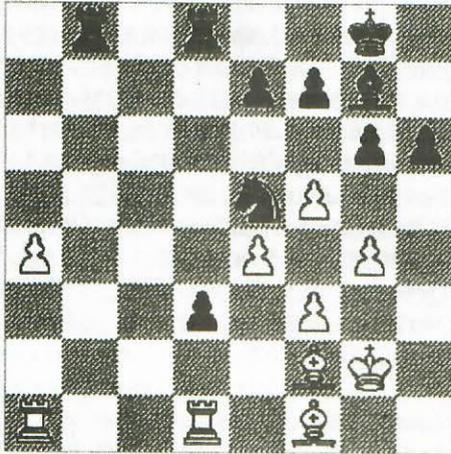
Phil Ponomarev - David Bowers

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nc3 d5 3.Bg5 e6 4.e4 Be7 5. Bxf6 Bxf6 6.e5 Be7 7.Qg4 0-0 8.Nf3 c5 9.dxc5 Bxc5 10.Bd3 f6 11.0-0-0 Bxf2 12. Qh3 Be3+ 13.Kb1 Bh6 14.g4 fxe5 15.g5 e4?[15...Rxf3 16.Qxf3 Bxg5 leaves a complicated position which Fritz4 considers roughly even, although I myself would hate to have to defend a position like this against an excellent tactician like Ponomarev. Black is behind in development, with open files against his king.] 16. Bxe4 (I believe I heard David say in the post-mortem that he simply missed that this move was possible.) Rxf3 17. Qxf3 Bxg5 18.Nxd5 Nd7 [18...exd5 19. Bxd5+ Kh8 20.Bxb7] 19.Nf4 Qe7 20.h4 Bh6 21.Nxe6 Ne5 22.Qf5 Ng6 23.Bd5 Kh8 24.Qe4 Bd7 25.Ng5 Bxg5 26.hxg5 Qxe4 [26...Qxg5 27.Rxh7+ Kxh7 28. Rh1+] 27.Bxe4 Nf8 28.Bxh7 Nxh7 29. Rxd7 Kg8 30.g6 Nf8 31.Rxb7 Nxg6 32. c4 Ne5 33.c5 Rc8 34.Rg1 g6 35.h4 a5 36. Rg5 Nd3 37.Rxg6+ Kh8 38.Rh6+ Kg8

39.Rbh7 1-0

**Matt Galman - Mark Schlagenhauf**

1.d4 g6 2.Bg5 Bg7 3.c3 d6 4.Nd2 h6 5. Bh4 b6 6.e3 Bb7 7.f4 Nf6 8.Ngf3 0-0 9. Qc2 Ng4 10.Nc4 d5 11.h3 dxc4 12.hxg4 b5 13.b3 cxb3 14.Qxb3 a6 15.Rd1 Qd6 16.c4 e5 17.cxb5 axb5 18.Bxb5 Bxf3 19. gxf3 cxd4 20.a4 Nc6 21.f5 Na5 22.Qb1 Rac8 23.0-0 Nc4 24.Rfe1 Qd5 25.Kg2 Ne5 26.e4 Qd6 27.Bf2 Qa3 28.Be2 Rb8 29.Qa1 Qxa1 30.Rxa1 d3 31.Bf1 Rfd8 32.Red1



Nc4 33.Rac1 Nb2 34.Rd2 Rb3 35.a5 Ra3 36.Bb6 Rd7 37.Rc5 e6 38.fxg6 fxg6 39.f4 Bc3 40.Rxc3 Rxc3 41.Rxb2 Rc2+ 42.Rxc2 dxc2 43.Be3 Rd1 44.Bc4 Kg7 [44...Kf7 45.f5] 45.Bxe6 Re1! (Black alertly seeks to win some White pawns before cashing in his c-pawn for the White bishop.) 46.Bd4+ Kh7 47.Bb2 Rxe4 48. Bd7 Rxf4 49.a6 Rb4 50.Ba3 Rb3 51.Bc1 Rb1 52.Bf4 c1Q 53.Bxc1 Rxc1 54.Bb5? (This may be a decisive error. A group of us looking at the position during the game came to the conclusion White has chances of drawing by moving the king up to f3, and keeping the bishop on c8 to protect the g-pawn, switching to b7 when forced.) Rc3! (Now the White king is kept out of the action.) 55.Be2 Kg7 56.Kf2 Kf6 57. Kg2 Ra3 58.Kf2 Kg5 59.Kg2 Kf4 60.Kf2 Ra2 61.Kf1 Ke3 62.Bc4 Ra4 63.Bb5 Rf4+ 64.Ke1 Rb4 65.Be2 Rb1+ 66.Bd1 Ra1 (A nicely played ending!) 0-1

**Shane Gaschler - Eric Billaux**

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5. Bd3 Nc6 6.Nxc6 bxc6 7.0-0 d5 8.Nd2 Be7 9.Re1 0-0 10.e5 Nd7 11.Nf3 Nc5 12. Bf1 Rb8 13.Nd4 Qc7 14.Qg4 f5 15.Qh3 Bd7 16.Nb3 Rb4 17.Nxc5 Bxc5 18.Bd3 Qb6 19.Rf1 Rg4 20.Be2 Re4 21.Bd3

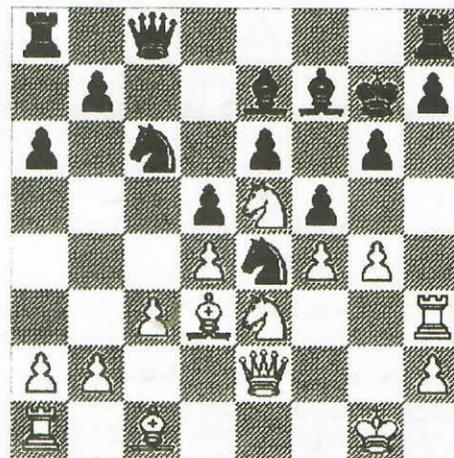
Rxe5 22.Bf4 Re4 23.Bxe4 fxe4 24.Qg3 Rf7 25.Rab1 Bc8 26.b4 Bd4 27.Be3 e5 28.c3 Bxe3 29.fxe3 Ba6 30.Rxf7 Kxf7 31. b5! (An excellent move, which blockades the b5 square so that the WR can join in the attack on the Black king via the f1 square.) cxb5 32.Rf1+ Kg8 33.Qxe5 Qxe3+ 34.Kh1 h6 35.Qxd5+ Kh7 36. Qf5+ Kh8 37.Qf8+ Kh7 38.Qf5+ Kh8 39.Qg6 Kg8 40.Qxa6 Qd3 41.Qc8+ Kh7 42.Qf5+ Kh8 43.Re1 1-0

**Vance Aandahl - Katie Roberts-Hoffman**

1.d4 g6 2.Nf3 Bg7 3.e3 Nf6 4.c4 0-0 5. Nc3 d6 6.Bd3 Nbd7 7.0-0 e5 8.Qc2 Ne8 9.dxe5 dxe5 10.b4 f5 11.e4 f4 12.Bb2 g5 13.h3 h5 14.c5 g4 15.Bc4+ Kh8 16.hxg4 hxg4 17.Nh2 Qh4 18.g3 Qh3 19.f3 fxg3 20.Nxg4 Nef6 21.Qg2 Qh4 22.Qh1 Qxh1+ 23.Kxh1 Kh7 24.Kg2 Nh5 25. Ne2 a5 26.a3 Kg6 27.Nxg3 Nf4+ 28.Kf2 axb4 29.axb4 Rxa1 30.Bxa1 c6 31.Nf5 Bh8 32.Rh1 b6 33.Rh6+ Kg5 34.Rxc6 bxc5 35.bxc5 [35.Nd6! wins a piece.] Nb8 36.Rc7 Bxf5 37.exf5 Kxf5 38.Nh6+ Kg6 39.Nf7 Kf5 40.Nd6+ [40.Nxh8! Rxb8 43.Bxe5) 41.Rf7+ Kg6 42.Rxf4! Rh2+ 43. Kg3] Kf6 41.Ke3 Ne6 42.Ne4+ Kf5 43. Re7 Nd4 44.Bd3 Nbc6 45.Nd6+ Kg5 46. Rf7 Ra8 47.Ne4+ Kg6 48.Nd6+ Kg5 49. Be3 Ra3 50.Bd2 [50.Rh7] Ra7? 51.Ne4+ [51.Rxa7 Nxa7 52.Nf7+-] ½-½

**Morgan Robb - Doug Hamilton**

1.d4 d5 2.e3 Nf6 3.Bd3 a6 4.Nd2 e6 5.f4 c5 6.c3 Nc6 7.Ngf3 Be7 8.0-0 Bd7 9.Ne5 0-0 10.Rf3 g6 11.Rh3 Kg7 12.Qe1 Rh8 13.Qh4 Nh5 14.Qg4 f5 15.Qf3 Nf6 16. Nf1 Be8 17.Qe2 cxd4 18.exd4 Bf7 19. Ne3 Qc8 20.g4 Ne4

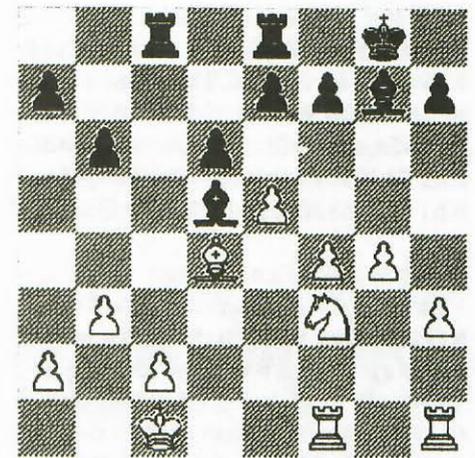


21.gxf5 exf5 22.Nxf7 Kxf7 23.Nxd5 Bd8

24.Bc4 Kg7 25.Qg2 Ne7 26.Ne3 Qd7 27. Bd3 Kf8 28.Nc4 Bc7 29.Rf3 Nf6 30.Bd2 Re8 31.Ne5 Qd8 32.Qh3 h5 33.Bc4 Ned5? 34.Nxg6+ Kg7 35.Nxh8 Kxh8 36. Qxf5 Rf8 37.Bxd5 Qxd5 38.Qxd5 Nxd5 39.f5 Nf6 40.Bg5 (40.Bf4 or 40.Re1 are better plans for neutralizing Black's pieces.) Kg7 41.Bxf6+ Kxf6 42.h3 h4 43. Kf2 Re8 44.Re1? [44.Rg1 Bg3+ 45. Rgxf3 hxg3+ 46.Kxg3 would obviously be a clear win for White. Morgan had a fine tournament, and it's a shame that this one move oversight came at such a costly time.] Bg3+ 45.Rxg3 hxg3+ 46.Kxg3 [46. Kf1 g2+ 47.Kf2 Rxe1] Rxe1 47.Kg4 Rf1 48.h4 Rxf5 49.h5 Rd5 50.h6 Kg6 51.Kf4 Kxh6 52.Ke4 Rh5 53.d5 Kg6 54.Kd4 b6 55.c4 Kf6 56.Kc3 Ke7 57.Kb4 Kd6 58. a4 Rh4 59.b3 Rg4 60.a5 b5 61.Kc3 bxc4 62.bxc4 Kc5 63.Kb3 Rxc4 64.d6 Rd4 65. d7 Rxd7 66.Kc3 Kb5 67.Kb3 Kxa5 68. Ka3 Rd3+ 69.Kb2 Kb4 70.Kc2 Kc4 71. Kb2 Re3 72.Kc2 Re2+ 73.Kd1 Kd3 74. Kc1 Rf2 75.Kb1 Kc3 76.Ka1 Kb3 77. Kb1 Rf1# 0-1

**David Brunner - Allan Ufer**

1.d4 g6 2.e4 Bg7 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.f4 0-0 5. Be3 Re8 6.e5 Nh5 7.Be2 [7.g4] d6 8. Bxh5 gxh5 9.Qxh5 Qd7 10.0-0 Qg4 11. Qxg4 Bxg4 12.Nf3 b6 13.Nd5 Na6 14. Rdf1 c5 15.h3 Be6 16.Nc3 Nb4 17.b3 Nd5 18.Nxd5 Bxd5 19.g4 cxd4 20.Bxd4 Rac8



21.Rh2 Be4 22.Ng5 Bb7 23.h4 h6 24. Nh3 Rc6 25.h5 Bc8 26.Rg1 Bb7 27.g5 dxe5 28.Bxe5 Bxe5 29.fxe5 Kh7 30.Rf2 Rf8 31.g6+ Rxg6? [31...Kg7 is obviously better, but 32.gxf7+ Kh7 33.Rg3 Rc5 34. Re3 still leaves Black in a desperate situation.] 32.hxg6+ Kg7 33.gxf7+ Kh7 34.e6 Bd5 35.Nf4 Bb7 36.Ng6 1-0

**John Klinski - Ken Doykos**

1.e4 c6 2.f4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.d4 cxd4 5.Qxd4 Nc6 6.Bb5 e6 7.Nf3 Bd7 8.Bxc6 bxc6 9.0-0 Qb6 10.Qxb6 axb6 11.Be3 c5 12. Nbd2 h5 13.c4 d4 14.Bf2 Bc6 15.b4 Nh6 16.b5 Bb7 17.a4 Be7 18.Ne1 0-0 19.Nb3 Ng4 20.a5 bxa5 21.Rxa5 Rxa5 22.Nxa5 Be4 23.Nb3 Ra8 24.Nd2 Bb7 25.Nd3 Ra3 26.Nc1 Ne3 27.Bxe3 Rxe3 28.Ncb3 Re2 29.Rf2 Re1+ 30.Rf1 Re2 31.Nf3 Be4 32.Nbd2 Bxf3 33.Nxf3 Rc2 34.Rb1 Rxc4 35.b6 Bd8 36.b7 Bc7 37.b8Q+ Bxb8 38. Rxb8+ Kh7 39.Rc8 d3 40.Kf2 Rc2+ 41. Ke3 c4 42.Nd2 c3 43.Nb1 d2 44.Ke2 Rc1 45.Nxd2 cxd2 46.Rd8 ½-½

**Dennis Earl - Sophie Weiss**

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Nf6 4.Bxc6 bxc6 5.d3 d5 6.Qe2 Bg4 7.Bd2 Bc5 8.h3 Bxf3 9.Qxf3 Rb8 10.b3 Bd4 11.Nc3 Qd6 12.Qd1 0-0 13.0-0 Rfd8 14.Kh1 Rd7 15. f3 Nh5 16.Kh2 Qg6 17.g4 Nf4 18.Qc1 Qf6 [18...Bxc3 19.Bxc3 Qh6+] 19.Rb1 Qh6 20.Bxf4 Qxf4+ 21.Kg2 Qe3 22. Qxe3 Bxe3 23.Ne2 Rb5 24.f4 exf4 25. Nxf4 dxe4 26.Rbe1 Bxf4 27.Rxe4 g5 28. Re8+ Kg7 29.Ra8 Rc5 30.Rf2 Ra5 31.a4 (Even though this rook is out of play at a5, it's too early to bring it back... giving White a passed a-pawn is too costly. Instead, Black should play Re7, with the threat of infiltrating at Re3 and Rg3.) Re5 32.Rxa7 Be3 33.Re2 Bf4 34.Rxe5 Bxe5 35.a5 Rd8 36.Ra6 Bd4 37.Rxc6 Ra8 38. Rxc7 Rxa5 39.Rc6 Re5 40.b4 Kf8 41.c4 Ke7 42.e5 Kd7? 43.Rd6+ Kc7 44.Rxd4 Kc6 45.Rd6+ Kb5 46.Rb6+ Ka4 47.c6 Re2+ 48.Kf3 Re8 49.c7 Kb3 50.Rb8 Rxb8 51.exb8Q Kc2 52.Qb5 Kb3 53.Ke2 Kb2 54.Kd2 Kb3 55.d4 Kb2 56.Qc4 Kb1 57.Qc3 Ka2 58.Kc1 f6 59.Qb2# 1-0

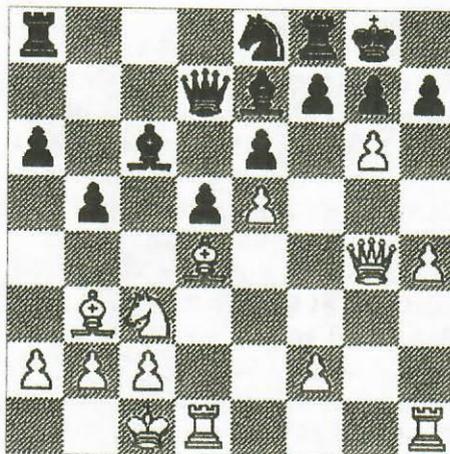
**Larry Wutt - Michael Gano**

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Bg5 Be7 4.Nc3 d6 5. Nf3 b6 6.Qc2 Bb7 7.Bxf6 Bxf6 8.e4 Nd7 9.Bd3 g6 10.Qe2 0-0 11.h4 e5 12.d5 a5 13.g4 Nc5 14.g5 Be7 15.Bc2 Bc8 16.Nh2 f5 17.exf5 Bxf5 18.Bxf5 gxf5 19.0-0-0 Qe8 20.Nf3 Qh5 21.g6 hxg6 22.Rdg1 Kf7 23.Ng5+ Bxg5+ 24.hxg5 Qxe2 25. Nxe2 Rh8 26.Kc2 f4 27.f3 Rag8 28.Nc3 Rh5 29.Nb5 Na6 30.a3 Rgh8 31.Rxh5 gxh5 32.Nc3 Kg6 33.Ne4 h4 34.Nf2 Nb8 35.Nh3 c6 36.Rd1 Rc8 37.Kb3 Nd7 38. Kc3 c5 39.a4 Nf8 40.Rg1 Kf5 41.Kd3 Re8 42.Re1 Ng6 43.Re4 Ne7 44.b3 Kg6 45.Ke2 Nf5 46.Nxf4+ Kxg5 47.Ne6+ Kf6

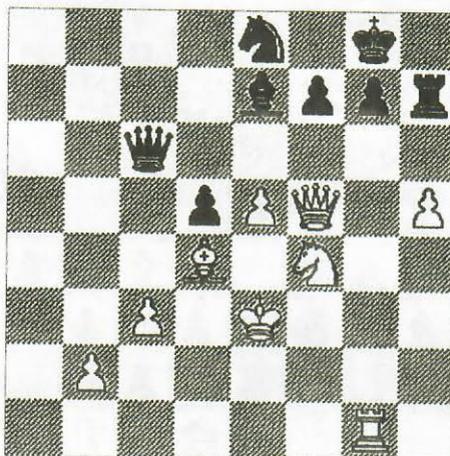
48.Kf2 Rg8 49.Rg4 Rxg4 50.fxg4 Ng7 [50...Nd4 is a clear way to proceed to a win.] 51.g5+ Kg6 52.Kf3 Nxe6 53.dxe6 (And now, even though a pawn ahead, Black is losing.) Kxg5 [53...Kg7 54.Kg4 Kf8 55.g6! Kg7 56.e7] 54.e7 1-0

**Chris Mink - Joel Senger**

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 e6 6.Bc4 Be7 7.Be3 Qc7 8.Bb3 a6 9. Qe2 Bd7 10.g4 0-0 11.g5 Ne8 12.0-0-0 Nc6 13.h4 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 b5 15.e5 d5 16. g6 Bc6 17.Qg4 Qd7



18.gxh7+ (This is an interesting tournament for Chris – see position from Mink-Geczy in round 3, after move 17.-ed) Kh8 19.Ne2 a5 20.c3 b4 21.Bc2 b3 22.Bxb3 Ba4 23.Nf4 Bxb3 24.axb3 a4 25.bxa4 Qxa4 26.Rhg1 Qb3 27.Nd3 Kxh7 28. Kd2 Rh8 29.f4 Kg8 30.h5 Rh7 31.Ra1 Ra2 32.Ke3 Qa4 33.Rxa2 Qxa2 34.f5 exf5 35.Qxf5 Qa6 36.Nf4 Qc6



37.e6! Nd6 38.exf7+ Nxf7 39.Qxh7+! Kxh7 40.Rxg7+ Kh6 41.Rg6+ Qxg6 42. hxg6 Nd6 43.g7 Nf5+ 44.Kd3 Nxc7 45. Bxg7+ Kxg7 46.Nxd5 1-0

**Games from the Colorado Closed (Continued from page 34)**

**Ponomarev – Lundstrom**

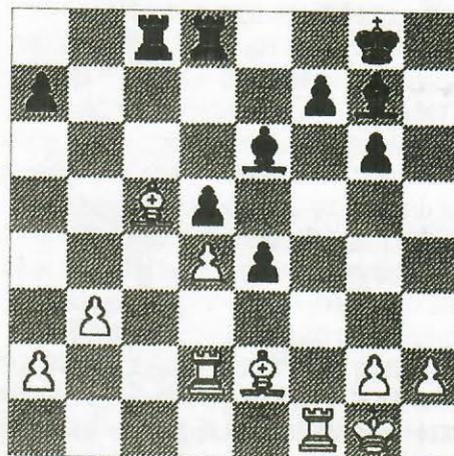
23.Ne7+ Kh7 24.Qxe4 b5 25.Qd5 Rf8 26.Nc6 Nb6 27.Qe4 Re8 28.Qf4 Qd7 29. Nxb8 Rxb8 30.Rge1 b4 31.Re7 Qg4 32. Qxf7 Rg8 33.Ne5 Kh8 34.Nxc6+ Kh7 35. Nf8+ [35.Ne5 Qf4+ (Other roads lead to mate with Qg6+ and Nf7#)] 36.Qxf4 Re8 37.g6+ Kg8 38.Rxe8+ Bf8 39.Qxf8# - Fritz4 – ed] 1-0

**Katie Roberts-Hoffman - Josh Bloomer**

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 a6 6.f3 e5 7.Nb3 Be6 8.Nd5 Nxd5 9. exd5 Bf5 10.Be3 Be7 11.Qd2 Nd7 12.0-0-0 Rc8 13.Bd3 Bxd3 14.Qxd3 0-0 15.h4 b5 16.Rh3 Nb6 17.Rg3 f5 18.Bh6 Rf7 19. f4 Bxh4 20.Bg5 Bxg5 21.Rxg5 g6 22.Rg3 Nc4 23.fxe5 dxe5 24.Rh1 Qd6 25.Rgh3 f4 26.Rxh7 Rxh7 27.Rxh7 Ne3! 28.Rh1 Rxc2+ 29.Kb1 Rxc2 30.Qc3 Qxd5 31. Qe8+ Kf7 32.Qh8 Qd3+ [33.Ka1 Nc2+ 34.Kb1 Ne1+ 35.Ka1 Qd1+ 36.Nc1 Qxc1#] 0-1

**Jason Caldwell - Josh Bloomer**

1.e4 e5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.f4 g6 4.Nf3 Bg7 5. Bb5 Nd4 6.Bd3 d6 7.Nxd4 cxd4 8.Ne2 Nf6 9.Nxd4 Nxe4 10.Bxe4 Bxd4 11.c3 Bg7 12.d4 0-0 13.0-0 Rb8 14.Be3 d5 15. Bd3 b5 16.f5 b4 17.fxg6 hxg6 18.Qc2 bxc3 19.Qxc3 Qb6 20.b3 e5 21.Qd2 e4 22.Be2 Be6 23.Rad1 Qb4 24.Bf4 Qxd2 25.Rxd2 Rbc8 26.Bd6 Rfd8 27.Bc5



Rxc5! 28.dxc5 d4 29.Bc4 d3 30.Bxe6 fxe6 31.Rfd1 Bd4+ 32.Kf1 Bxc5 33.g4 Bb4 0-1

# The Colorado Chess Informant's Ten Best Games of 1998

(Games 10-6)

By Dan Avery

This is the first time that the *Colorado Chess Informant* has recognized the ten best games played, and when I undertook the project I had little idea just how many excellent games were played by CSCA members in 1998. I started by playing through every game which appeared either in the *CCI* (from April 1998 through April, 1999) or on the CSCA web site (which is an excellent resource thanks to the efforts of Rick and Mary Nelson), plus a few which were submitted independently. This resulted in about seventy games, which I narrowed down to about thirty of the very best games.

The criteria, while subjective, were also fairly stringent. I looked for games which were not determined by just one move. The entire game had to be interesting. I also looked for tough fights. I looked for games which were unique and appealed to my sense of chess beauty. The short list of about thirty games contained all sorts of imaginative attacks, stout defenses and mind boggling endgames. I also considered whether the game played was an upset, if it helped determine a major prize, or if it was played in a state championship.

The only objective criteria were as follows: The game had to be played in 1998, with at least one participant being an active CSCA member. It also had to be a USCF rated game. I included one other prerequisite: since I am the sole judge of the games, none of the games played against me were eligible. My apologies to all who played me in 1998, especially Renard Anderson (who played a marvelous game in the Colorado Open). While these criteria helped, in the end I had to play through each of the short-listed games several times in an attempt to determine which were the very best. Some players also provided analysis, which helped me a great deal. My thanks go out to all of you who gave me your submissions, especially to Andy Rea who analyzed several games

in depth. His fine endgame victory against Jerry Kearns in the Colorado Closed (April 1998 *CCI*) was one of the very last to be cut from the top ten. Interestingly, Buck Buchanan was the only person who nominated games in which he was not a participant!

There are some players who consistently played interesting chess, and when they met each other the result was usually spectacular. The tour champion, Renard Anderson, was always competitive and would usually win easily. Almost every half point he gave up was very special indeed. Jerry Kearns, Mark Schlagenhauf, Adam Weissbarth, Eric Billaux, and Mark Scheidies were other masters and experts who also played several great games. Masters and experts dominate the top ten list. This may simply be a bias in my thinking, but their best games tended to be better than lower rated players' best games. There were also several lower-rated players who did play excellent games. Christopher Walker had many good games, as did Andy Hortillosa, Philipp Ponomarev, Joe Bihlmeyer, Andrew Pineda, Morgan Robb, Michael Fuchs, and Josh Smith. Rick Nelson also played an excellent game against Robert Fordon, scoring a well earned draw. There were many excellent games by others not listed here as well. As you can see, I had a very difficult task in deciding the ten best games.

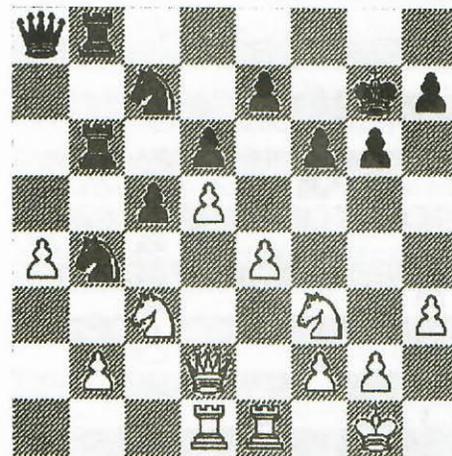
Each of the participants in the ten best games should be proud of his creative efforts. In every case, the losers were as much the creators of the beautiful game as the winners. There are a surprisingly large number of draws.

I will present the ten best games starting with number ten. I have analyzed each game with the aid of Chessmaster 6000 (CM6K). Also, whenever possible, I took full advantage of previously published analysis, which will always be credited. So on to the games!

## 10. Brian Wall vs. James

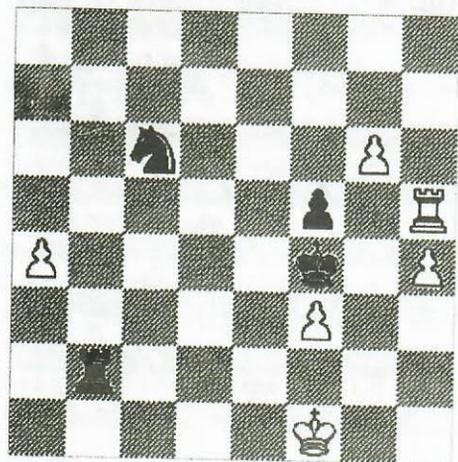
McCarty Denver Open, July 12th 1998, round 4. This was played in the last round, and Brian knew that a win would guarantee at least a share of first place while James was playing for second place. The last round of this tournament may be the best single round played in all of 1998! We'll be seeing another game from this

round later on, and two others made the short list. **Benko Gambit** (The specific variation is the "Nescafe-Frappe Attack", as it is called by CM6K) **A57 1.d4 Nf6 2. c4 c5 3.d5 b5** The Benko is played by several top Colorado players, including Renard Anderson, Mark Schlagenhauf, and of course James McCarty. This is a great practical opening, and one which, incidentally, gives computers fits! The idea of Black sacrificing a pawn for long term compensation on the queen-side really challenges both sides to play a deeply strategic game. **4.cb5 a6 5.Nc3 g6** (Black usually takes on b5 at this point, in order to force White to take back with his knight.) **6.e4 d6 7.a4** (7.ba6 is more often played.) **Bg7 8.Ra3** (And this may be a novelty. While Ra3 is certainly one of many good plans for White, it is unusual to do this before deciding how to protect the king.) **0-0 9.Nf3 ab5 10.Bb5 Na6** (Already I prefer White's game, but Black has his thematic queenside pressure.) **11.0-0 Nb4 12.h3 Bb7 13. Bf4 Ne8 14. Qd2 Nc7 15.Bc4 Ba6 16.Ba6 Ra6 17. Bh6 Qa8!** (CM6K did not particularly like this maneuver, but then again, it was convinced that White was winning here. If you ever have to play black against a computer with money or ratings on the line, you may want to consider learning the Benko!) **18.Bg7 Kg7 19.Raa1** (Perhaps White should follow Black's lead and play **Rfa1!**? instead.) **Rb8** (to give some idea of how poorly CM6K understood the position, it recommends **19...f5** here. That would just create a huge hole at e6 which would give White a clear advantage.) **20. Rfe1 Rab6 21.Rad1 f6** (Black stops White's obvious threat of e5 cold.)



22.e5!!! (At least I thought it did! 22.e5

is a high class sacrifice which is completely unclear. CM6K preferred the tame Ra1 instead, but recognized Brian's move as being almost as good. Both players probably worked out the variations through move 34 here.) de5 23.Ne5 fe5 24.Re5 Re8 25.Qe3 Qd8 26.Qc5 Nca6 27.Qd4 Kg8 28.Ne4 Nc2 29.Qc4 Qc7! (White was threatening Nf6, but this dampens white's attack.) 30.Qc7 Nc7 31.d6 ed6 32.Nf6+ Kf7 33.Ne8 Ne8 34.Re2 Nb4 (A formal count of the material would suggest that the position is equal, but clearly White's rook and connected passed pawns make a more formidable impression than Black's awkward minor pieces. CM6K suggests White is (still) winning. James shows tremendous tenacity in the next few moves to create real counter chances. *Zeitnot* may also help explain the play here.) 35.Rd4 d5 36.g4 (White should start to challenge on the queenside first. 35.a5 is both obvious and good. White could also reasonably look to sac a rook for a knight and the d-pawn.) Nf6 37.h4 h5 38.g5 (While this seems to be very attractive, it helps Black to organize his pieces.) Ne4 39.f3? (This creates too many holes on the kingside. 39.Re3! also pushes Black's pieces back because of the threat of Rb3, without inviting Black's army in to feast. CM6K suggests that this move has dissipated most of White's advantage.) Nd6 40.Rf4+ Nf5 (Now that the first time control has been reached, Brian takes time to evaluate the exchange sacrifice. This is an excellent practical decision.) 41.Re5 d4 42.Ref5+! gf5 43.Rd4 Ke6 44.Kf2 Nd5 45.b4! (The pawn was doomed anyway, so Brian activates his rook.) Nb4 46.Rd8 Nc6 47.Rh8 Ke5 48.Rh5 Kf4 49.g6 Rb2+ 50.Kf1

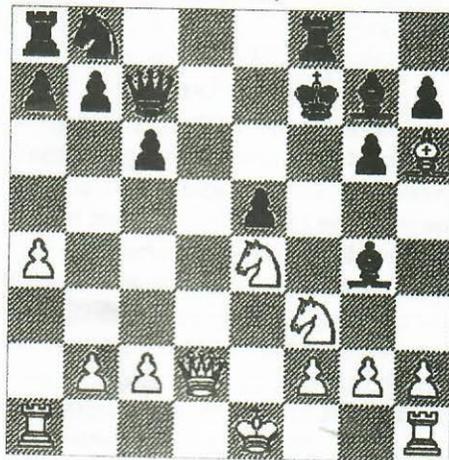


Ne7 (CM6K agrees with a comment Michael Emerson made to Sage Mo and myself during the game that **Black** is winning after 50...Ne5 51.Rh8 (if 51.g7 Ke3! 52.g8(Q)?! Rf2+! forces mate. White's only choice is whether to be mated on h2 or e2!) Kf3 52.Ke1 Ng6 53.Rh7 Rb1 54.Kd2 Ke4. I thought White had enough compensation in his three passers.) 51.g7 Kf3 52.Ke1 Ke3 53.Kf1 and a draw was agreed. Computer analysis pointed out several minor blemishes, but this is a tremendously complex game which has many exciting moments!

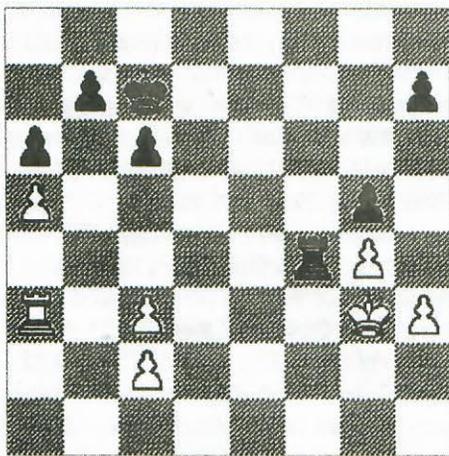
## 9. Dr. Mikhail Ponomarev vs.

**Edward Frumkin** U.S. Senior Open, Denver, November 11, 1998. Round 3. Dr. Ponomarev is well known for his inventive style of chess. He always challenges his opponents with a creative flair which makes his games unique. Against a New York expert he gains a decisive advantage, but as so often happens in tough games, gives it all away. Undaunted, he shows excellent technique in an inferior rook and pawn ending to win even though he was a pawn down at the point of resignation. **Irregular Caro-Kann** (by transposition) B10. 1.d4 g6 2.Nc3 Bg7 3.e4 c6 4.Bc4 d6 (This position is sometimes considered to be a Modern/Robatsch defense, but more appropriately belongs in the Caro-Kann family. Buck Buchanan disagrees with me on this, arguing that Black's kingside fianchetto and the absence of ...d5 makes this a Modern. However, there are many examples of black playing for e5 instead of d5 in Caro Kann games. One of the most famous is Tal-Smyslov 1959. This is a chance for you to send a letter to the new editors and weigh in!) 5.a4 (But already we have moved away from any positions I have ever seen.) Nf6 6.Bg5 (This is just bad. White's next few moves complicate the position, but Dr. P. still does not have enough positional compensation. White would have a normal opening advantage after 6.Nf3 or even 6.f3.) Ne4! 7.Bf7!? Kf7 8.Ne4 Rf8 (CM6K recommends 8...Qa5 with an unclear game, but after Rf8 it evaluates both positions as giving Black a very slight edge.) 9.Qd2 Qc7 10.Bh6 e5 (Although technically Black was equal before this move, Dr. P has been pushing the action. Mr. Frumkin reacts aggressively in the center, but a more measured response of

developing the queenside pieces with 10...Bf5 was called for. Now White has the initiative and targets on the dark squares.) 11.Nf3! Bg4 12.de5 de5 (This automatic capture is probably wrong. Black should relieve some of the pressure by trading off his Bishop with 12...Bf3.)



13.Qd6! (White would normally want to keep his pieces on the board in this type of open position, but Dr. P has seen a way to gain a material edge.) Qd6 14.Nd6+ Ke7 (14...Kf6 may have been slightly better.) 15.Bg7 Rf3! (Frumkin finds the most challenging path.) 16.Nc8+ Kd8 17.Nd6 Ke7 18.Be5! (By the way, Dr. P used a similar tactic two rounds later to defeat IM Igor Ivanov.) Nd7!? 19.Bc3? (This lets Black off the hook. I prefer 20.Nb7. CM6K agrees, giving Ne5 21.gf3 Nf3+ 22.Kd1 Rb8 23.Na5 Kd724.h3 Be6 as an improvement.) Rc3! (Now Black suddenly has a small but real advantage after being close to losing just one move before.) 20.bc3 Kd6 21.f3 Re8+ 22.Kf2 Bf5 23.Rhd1+ Kc7 24.Rd2 Nb6 25.g4 Bd7 26.a5 Nc4 27.Rd4 Ne5?! (27...Be6 is a better attempt to get the minor pieces working together, but Black is setting a trap.) 28.Re4? (An unusual example of the wrong rook. 28.Re1 would have kept Black's advantage to a minimum.) Ng4!+ 29.Rg4 Bg4 30.fg4 Re4 31.Kf3 Rc4 (Although the trade of two minor pieces for a rook and a pawn is often considered dubious, here Black gets a clearly better rook ending. White has three pawn islands, two of which will be very difficult to defend. His rook is completely passive, and his king has no way to influence the course of events. Mr. Frumkin has shown tremendous savvy to reach this position.) 32.Ra3 g5 33.h3 a6 34.Kg3 Rf4 35.Ra1 Rc4 36.Ra3 Rf4



(Here White could have offered a draw with 37.Ra1. Instead, he decides to sacrifice a pawn in an inferior position in order to reach a more complicated, but probably losing endgame!) 37.Rb3!? Ra4!

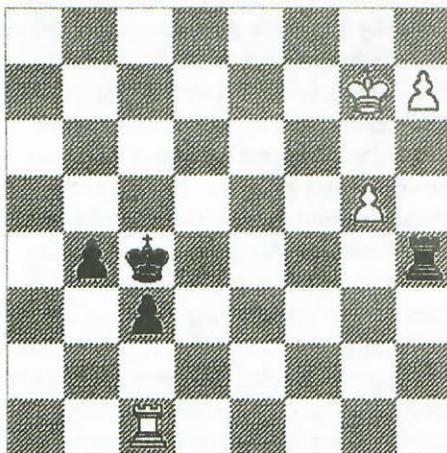
(Meeting the challenge head on. This is a difficult decision to make, especially considering the time control is at move 40.) 38.Kf3 Ra5 39.Ke4 (White has a slightly more active king than on move 36, but there is still no clear way to get across the fifth rank, his rook is still passive, and now Black has a protected passed pawn. All Black needs now is a lot of patience and vigilance. Instead he goes after another pawn.) Ra2? (Interestingly, this is the same inferior move recommended by CM6K! Now Dr. Ponomarev shows his tremendous technique. I have no idea what the relative times were here, but I would not be surprised if Dr. P. was playing very quickly through this phase of the game.) 40.Kf5 Ra5+ 41.Kf6 Rd5 42.Kg7 a5 43.Kh7 Rd2 44.Kg6 Rh2 45.c4! Rc2 46.Kg5 Rc4 (Although Black is up a pawn in the endgame, he is lost.) 47.h4 a4 48.Ra3 b5 49.h5 c5 50.h6 Kb6? (CM6K claims that 50...Rc1 would lead to a draw after 51.Rh3 a3 52.Ra3! Rh1 53.Rb3 Kc6. However, White can play 53.Kg6 b4 54.Rb3 Kc6 and now 55.h7 Rh4 (This may prove to be a waste of time. If there is an improvement for Black it may be here or on move 59.) 56.g5 Kb5 57.Kg7 c4 58.Rb1 c3 59.Rc1! Kc4

**Please see analysis position at the top of the next column**

60.h8(Q) Rh8 61.Kh8 b3 62.g6 b2 63.Rg1 c2 64.g7.c1(Q) (after 64 b1(Q) CM6K announces mate in nine!) 65.g8(Q)+ Kc3 66.Qg3+ Kb4! (the Black king has to stay away from c2) 67.Qd6 Kb3 68.Qe6 Qc4 (forced) 69.Rg3+ Kb4 70.Rg4 wins for

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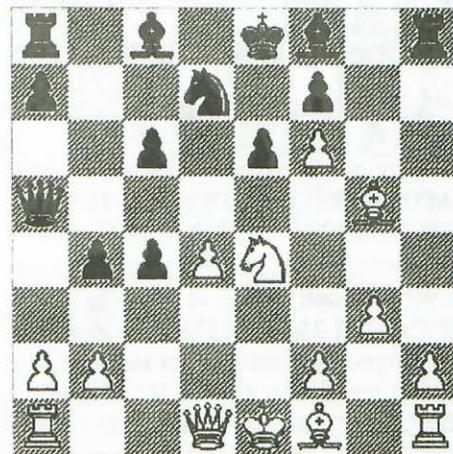
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White.) (Our new editor, Mike Fuchs, points out some exciting analysis by Fritz4 which improves White's play dramatically after 52...Rh1. Fritz4 recommends 53.h7!! Obviously, Black can't take the pawn because of the check on a7. Fritz suggests 53...Kb7 54.Kg6 b4 55.Ra5! Kc6 56.Ra8 Rh7 (To drive the king further from the black pawns. This shows an excellent understanding of the endgame by Fritz.) 57.Kh7 Kc7! 58.g5 b3 59.Ra1 and White stops the pawns in time. I had thought that 53.h7 amounted to a transposition to my main line after 53...Kb6? Unfortunately, it loses quickly to 54.Kg6 b4 55.Ra8! and White has gained several tempi over Fritz' best line! This entire endgame is worth its weight in gold!) 51. h7 and Black resigned. This was a tremendous struggle! We will be seeing more of Dr. Ponomarev's artistry later.

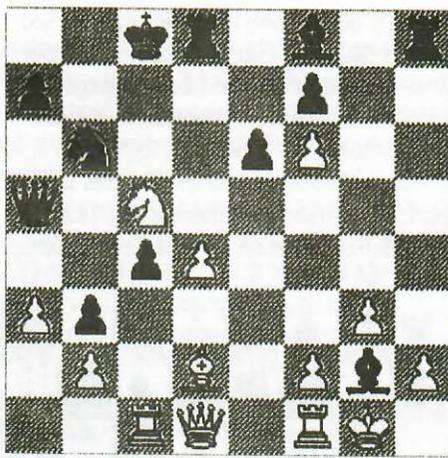
## 8. Mike Presutti vs. Christopher Walker

Colorado Open Premier Section September 7, 1998. Round 5. **Queen's Gambit, Semi-Slav Botvinnik Variation D44** 1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 e6 5.Bg5 dc4 (Beginning one of the most complex openings in all of chess. This is also one of the most topical variations, with several top players (most notably Alexei Shirov) playing both sides.) 6.e4 b5 7.e5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Ng5 hg5 10.Bg5 Nbd7 11.g3 (This is more popular today than the old 11.ef6 because after 11.ef6 Bb7 12.g3 c5 13.d5 Bh6 or Nf6 were considered improvements for Black. But there is some question whether 11.g3 is

actually better than the older move. See Alexei Shirov's excellent book, *Fire On Board*, chapter four, especially page 187 for a more complete discussion of these positions.) Qa5 (both 11...Rg8 and 11...c5 are considered main lines, but this is a perfectly reasonable alternative) 12.ef6 b4! 13.Ne4 (Forced, to protect the bishop on g5.)



Bb7!? (I could not find this move in any of my books or my (limited) database. Black sacs a pawn for development. The normal move is 13.Ba6, but I rather like 13.c3 as a sharp alternative. The Botvinnik is known for unusual sacrifices and materially unbalanced positions, often pitting a queen against a rook and bishop. Black needs to develop his pieces, but also create a quick queenside pawn storm. This is made problematic by the fact that his king usually seeks shelter on the queenside. As I mentioned, this is an extremely complex opening!) 14.Bg2!? (14. Bc4 c5! 15.f3!? Nb6 16.Qc2 Nc4 17.Qc4 cd4 18.Qd4 Rd8 19.Qe3 is slightly better for White according to CM6K, but two pawns seems scant compensation for Black's initiative.) c5 15.0-0 0-0-0 16.a3 b3 17.Rc1 Nb6 18.Nc5 (CM6K has done a terrible job predicting the moves for both players, yet its evaluations show they haven't missed any tactical shots. Here it recommends 18.Qf3, hoping that Black will start trading pieces. This may be better than 18Nc5, which has some interesting drawbacks, as Christopher shows.) Bg2 19.Bd2

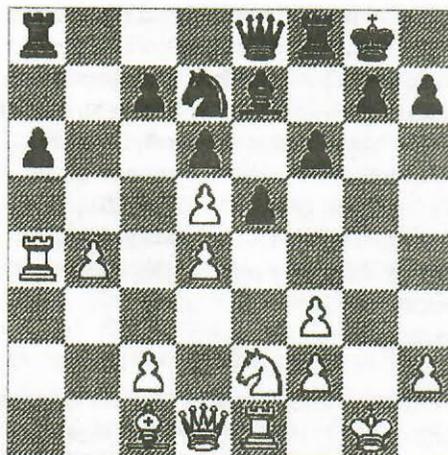


**Qd2?!!** (19...Qb5! 20.Kg2 Rd4 21.Nb3! Rd3 22.Rc3 Qd5+ 23.f3 Rc3 24.Bc3 cb3 looks much better, but this amazing move is very difficult to meet in practical terms.) **20.Qd2 Bf1 21.Nb3?!** (21.Qa5 creates very impressive threats. For instance, CM6K recommends 21...Rd4 22.Qa6+ Kd8 23.Nb7+ Kd7 24.Qa7 Bd3 25.Qb6 Rd5 26.Rd1 with a winning advantage.) **Bh6 22.Qa5** (I don't see anything wrong with 22.f4) **Kb8 23.Nc5 Bc1** (How often do you see two black bishops on c1 and f1 (or two white ones on c8 and f8)?) **24.Qa6 Rd7 25.Nd7+ Nd7 26.Kf1 Nb6 27.Qa5 Bb2 28.Qe5 Kb7 29.h4 Rd8 30.a4 Bd4 31.Qb5 Rd5?** (This natural move throws away most of Black's advantage. One of the players recommended 31...Ka8, but I prefer either 31...Rc8 or c3. The c-pawn is much more valuable than the knight on b6, and should win in short order.) **32.Qe8! Rd7?** (again, c3 is called for.) **33.a5 Bf6 34.ab6 Re7 35.Qb5 c3 36.ba7+ Ka7 37.Ke2 Rc7 38.Qa5 Kb7 39.Qb5+Kc8 40.Qe8+ Bd8?** (The bishop is well posted on f6. 40...Kb7 would be a better attempt to secure the draw. However, both players were probably short of time, having played an extremely imaginative game. **41.Kd1 Re7** And here, with White finally reaching a clearly winning position, they agreed to a draw. After 42. Qf8 there is no way to stop White's h-pawn from queening. Both players should be congratulated for this fine battle. Mr. Walker had two other games which were short-listed, a draw with Randy Canney and a victory against Steve Kelly.

## 7. Paul Cornelison vs. Randy

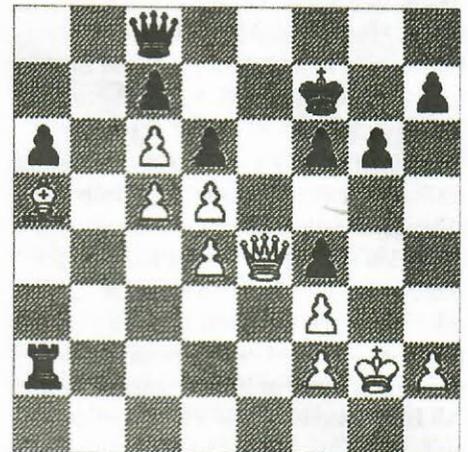
**Canney** US West Chess Festival Open, November 15th, 1998 Round 3. **Ruy Lo-**

**pez C88 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4. Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 0-0 8. Nc3** (This natural move, which has been played by Tarrasch, Alekhin and Keres, is very unusual among stronger players today. The theoretical lines suggest that Black gains equality very easily because White does not have enough pressure on the center and kingside. However, the Marshall Gambit is now considered to give Black at least equality, and Ruy Lopez players are looking for alternative lines such as this in order to gain a practical advantage.) **d6 9.Bd5** (As far as I can tell, this is a novelty, but not necessarily a good one. The main reason for playing Ba4-b3 in the Ruy Lopez is to reserve the light squared bishop for an attack on the kingside. Encouraging Black's knight on c6 to move is no great accomplishment considering it wants to go to d7 in many lines anyway.) **Nd5 10.ed5 Nb8 11.d4 f6** (CM6K recommends b4 here. I also like 11...Nd7.) **12.b4 Bg4 13.a4 ba4 14.Ra4 Nd7 15.Ne2? Bf3 16.gf3 Qe8** (Black has a very good game. He has one major problem piece, his bishop on e7. However, he can always play f5 and Bf6 which will transform the weakness into another strength. In the mean time, Mr. Canney is setting a trap to help his development.)



**17.Qd3** (I don't know whether this is a blunder or a very subtle counter-trap. If it is a counter-trap, Mr. Cornelison deserves tremendous praise for recognizing just how poor his position has become and for his creativity. However, this should not be sufficient to save the game.) **Nc5! 18.bc5 Qa4 19.c6! Qb4 20 Bd2 Qb8** (This may be too passive. I would prefer to bring the queen to b6. For the exchange White has a definite initiative and a spatial advantage. He still has structural weaknesses,

especially on the kingside, but they are not easily exploited.) **21.Nf4?** (Forcing Black to trade of his bad bishop just doesn't make sense. The advantage White gets from his use of the e-file is speculative at best.) **ef4 23.Re7 Rf7 23.Rf7 Kf7 24. Ba5!?** **Qc8 25.c4 Rb8 26.Kg2 g6** (Finally protecting a pawn that actually could have been taken. Black could not have taken advantage of White's poorly placed queen on h7.) **27.Qe4 Rb2 28.c5 Ra2???** (Black had to play 28...f5 and only after 29.Qf4 Ra2. White's winning combination is not very difficult to calculate, but very difficult to see!)



**29.Bc7!! Qc7** (This is not as stubborn as 29...f5 30.Qe6+ Qe6 31.de6+ Ke6 32.cd6 Rd2 33.d7 Rd4 34.d8(Q) Rd8 35.Bd8 Kd6, but White has several winning plans even here.) **30.Qe6+ Kg7 31.Qd7** and **Black resigned**. It is possible to view this game as just another example of a stronger player gaining a decisive advantage, and while coasting through to the anticipated victory, misses a shot which turns the game on its head. However, Mr. Cornelison deserves credit both for the exchange sacrifice and for preparing Bc7. In hindsight, He probably saw the outline of the winning tactic as early as move 24. This was an excellent fight between two players of quite different styles.

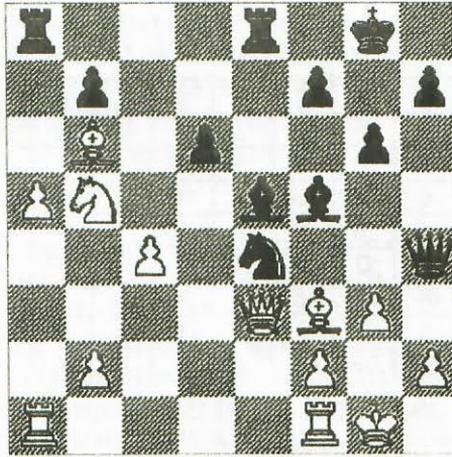
## 6. Adam Weissbarth vs James

**McCarty** US Chess Festival Open, November 14th, 1998. Round 2 **Alekhin's Defense Exchange Variation. B03 1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.c4** (This has been considered imprecise for decades. It will almost always transpose into other lines, but one goal in the opening is to be as flexible as possible. Unless White is afraid of 3. d4

Nb6 (3...c5 is simply bad. For example, 4. c4 Nc7 5.d5 d6 6.e6!? (or 6.Nf3) f6 7.Bd3 gives White a great game.), he should play 3.d4. This would keep Black guessing about which of several good variations White will throw at him. Adam undoubtedly knew this, and probably played 3.c4 to inform his opponent that he has extreme confidence in the White side of Alekhin. Mr. Weissbarth has been known to play the Black side of this, too.) Nb6 4. d4 d6 5.ed6 cd6! 6.Nc3 (This move gives the game a unique character. While it looks perfectly playable, it is not even mentioned in the old *ECO*.) g6 7.a4 (This variation seems to be new this decade. Perhaps the most ardent supporter (and innovator?) of this line is Nigel Davies.) Bg7 8.a5 N6d7 9.d5 0-0 10.Nf3 Na6 11. Be3 (This may be a novelty. However since this is a theoretically hot line, and both players are experts in this opening, they may be following a game or analysis that I have not seen. White has two common methods of development at his disposal. He may, as in this game, seek more or less normal development and eventually attack the queenside, or he may bring his rook to a3 and prepare a broader attack. It seems that 11.Ra3 may be the most flexible move here, but I would like to see what the two players think!) Nc7 12.Be2 Nf6 13.0-0 e6 (I prefer 13...Bg4 to this. The d-pawn is critically weakened by White's next move, and I am not sure that the light-squared bishop is really very well placed here.) 14.de6 Be6 15.Nd4 Bc8 (Apparently, Mr. McCarty agrees! White is clearly better here, and will almost certainly win a pawn on the queenside.) 16. Ndb5 Nb5 17.Nb5 Ne4 18.Bd4 Bh6 19. Ba7 Bf4 20.Qd4 (Perhaps more prudent was 20.g3 Bh6 21.Bb6 Qf6 22.f3!?) Bf5 21.Bf3 Be5 22.Qe3 Re8 23.Bb6 Qh4 24. g3 (Please see diagram top of next column - ed.) (This looks fine for White. He is a pawn up, his pieces are beginning to work together to create threats all over the board, and Black is forced to retreat his queen. CM6K assesses this position as winning for White.)

**Ng3!?! (Maybe I was wrong about the black queen being forced to run to f6?) 25. hg3? (This is the type of position in which computer analysis reigns supreme. CM6K suggests instead 25.fg3! Bg3 26.Qd2! Bf4 27.Qf2 Qg5 28.Qg2 Be3+ 29.Kh1 Qg2 30.**

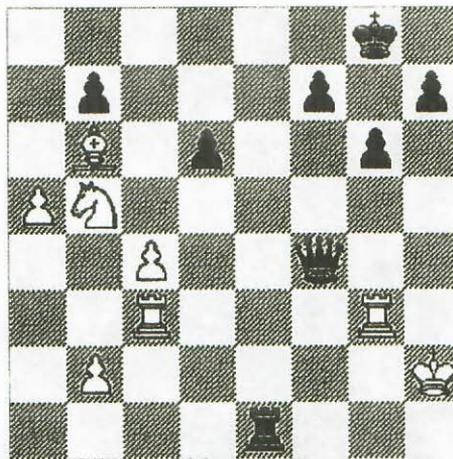
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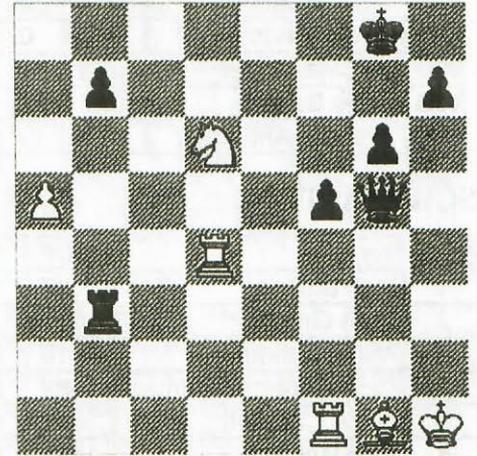
(Position after 24.g3 Black to move.)

Bg2 with a piece for a pawn, relatively safe king, and reduced material. That should be enough to win comfortably. While it may not be technically as good, I would suggest instead of 28...Be3, 28... Qf6, sacrificing the remains of Black's queenside in order to try to get the rook on a8 into the game.) Bg3 (Black now gains an edge after 26.fg3 or the text.) 26. Qe8+!? Re8 27.fg3 Qg3+ 28.Bg2 Bh3 29.Rf2 Re4 30.Rc1 Qg5 31.Rc3 Re1+ 32. Kh2 Bg2 33.Rg2 Qf4+! 34.Rgg3?



(Up until this point, both sides have been playing exceptionally well. Now White loses a rook by force. He had to play 34. Rcg3 34...Re2+? (While I saw the outline of the following analysis, the main line is courtesy of CM6K. 34...Qh6+! 35.Rh3 (35.Kg2 Qh1+ 36.Kf2 Qf1#)Qd2+ 36.Kg3 Qg5+ 37.Kf2 (37.Kh2? Re2+ 38.Kh1 Qg2#) Qg1+ 38.Kf3 Rf1+ 39.Ke4 Qg4+ 40.Kd3 (40.Kd5 Qe6+ 41.Kd4 Rd1+ 42 R (either)d3 Qe5#) Qh3+ and White wins a rook while maintaining the initiative.) 35.Kg1 Rb2 (He still has the same tactical

shot after 35.Re1+!) 36.Rcf3 Qc1+ 37.Rf1 Qc4 38.Nd6 Qe2 (CM6K points out that Black can trade down to a winning queen vs rooks ending after 38...Qh4 39.Bf2 Rf2! 40.Kf2 Qf4 41.Rf3 Qd6 followed by f5.) 39.Bf2 Qe6 40.Rd3 Qg4+ 41.Rg3 Qf4 42.Rd3 f5 43.Rd4 Qg5+ 44.Kh1 Rb3 45.Bg1??



(45.Kh2 was forced. The resulting position would be unclear, perhaps with a slight edge for Black.) Rh3+? (Black misses a mate in six. Of course, CM6K did not. To Mr. McCarty's credit, this is also clearly winning. 45...Qh6+! 46.Kg2 Qh3 47.Kf2 Rb2 48.Rd2 (CM6K's move. 48.Ke1 gets clobbered by Qc3+) Rd2+ 49. Ke1 Qd3 50.Nb7 (or 50.Rf2 Re1#) Qe2#) 46.Bh2 Qe3 47.Nf5 gf5 48.Rd8 Kg7 49. Rg1+ Kh6 50.Rf8 (Both sides have been playing well up to here, but now, after a long, torturous defense, Mr. Weissbarth makes a final mistake in a losing position. He could have prolonged the game with 50.Rd6+) Qf3+ 51.Rg2 Qd1+ 52.Rg1 Rh2+ and White resigned. As Buck said when this game first appeared in *CCI* (January, 1999, p. 29), "Jim played some very impressive chess". This game was truly special. The opening involved a topical variation, both sides played aggressively in the middlegame with Black making a spectacular but not quite sound sacrificial attack. White responded with a second-best defense and after mutual mistakes reached a very interesting position which, though technically favoring Black, could have gone either way. Adam lost another exciting game to Eric Billaux in the Winter Springs Open. He seems to bring out the best in his opponents with his imaginative play. **The top five games of 1998 will appear in the next issue!**

# COLORADO CLOSED CHAMPIONSHIPS

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Place	Name	USCF	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
1	Randy Canney	2269	X	1	.5	1	1	1F	1F	1F	6.5
2	Mikhail Ponomarev	2231	0	X	1	.5	1	1F	1	1F	5.5
3	Andy Rea	2176	.5	0	X	.5	1	1F	1F	1F	5.0
4	Eric Billaux	2147	0	.5	.5	X	1	.5	1	1F	4.5
5	Brad Lundstrom	2143	0	0	0	0	X	0	1F	1F	2.0
WD	Michael Ginat	2327	OF	OF	OF	.5	1	X	0	1	2.5
WD	Imre Barlay	2251	OF	0	OF	0	OF	1	X	1	2.0
WD	Renard Anderson	2283	OF	OF	OF	OF	OF	0	0	X	0

## SCHOLASTIC

Place	Name	USCF	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
1	Josh Bloomer	1807	X	.5	1	1	1	1	1	1	6.5
2	Sean Groves	1613	.5	X	1	1	1	1	.5	1	6
3	Phillip Ponomarev	1918	0	0	X	.5	1	1	1	1	4.5
4	Katie Roberts-Hoffman	1589	0	0	.5	X	1	.5	1	1	4
5	Jason Caldwell	1698	0	0	0	0	X	1	.5	1	2.5
6	Josh Wallace	1451	0	0	0	.5	0	X	.5	1	2
7	Sean Cabrera	1403	0	.5	0	0	.5	.5	X	0	1.5
8	Morgan Robb	1501	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	X	1

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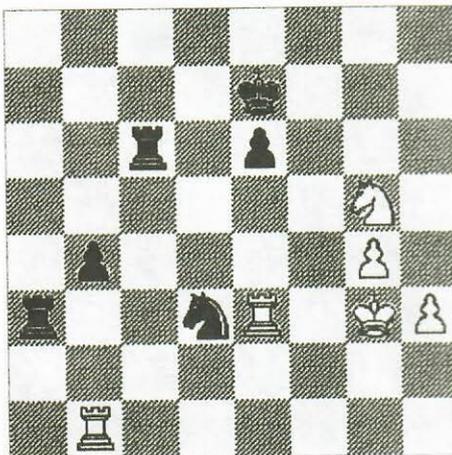
#### Morgan Robb - Sean Cabrera

1.d4 Nf6 2.e3 d5 3.Bd3 e6 4.Nd2 c5 5.c3 a6 6.f4 Be7 7.Ngf3 Nc6 8.0-0 0-0 9.Ne5 Nxe5 10.fxe5 Nd7 11.e4 dxe4 12.Nxe4 cxd4 13.cxd4 f6 14.Qh5 fxe5 15.Ng5 Rxf1+ 16.Kxf1 Qf8+ 17.Kg1 h6 18.Nxe6 Qf7 19.Bh7+ Kxh7 20.Qxf7 Bf6 21.Be3 b5 22.Rf1 exd4 23.Rxf6 1-0

#### Eric Billaux - Mikhail Ponomarev

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.d4 Nxd5 4.c4 Nb6 5.Nf3 Bg4 6.c5 N6d7 7.Bc4 e6 8.Be3 b6 9.h3 Bf5 10.Nc3 bxc5 11.d5 c6 12.dxe6 Bxe6 13.Bxe6 fxe6 14.Ng5 Qe7 15.0-0 Ne5 16.Re1 Nbd7 17.f4 h6 18.Nge4 Nf7 19.Qa4 Nb6 20.Qxc6+ Qd7 21.Qxd7+ Nxd7 22.Nb5 Kd8 23.b3 a6 24.Nbc3 Rc8 25.Red1 Ke8 26.Na4 Nd8 27.Rac1 Rc6 28.Naxc5 Nxc5 29.Nxc5 Be7 30.b4 Rf8 31.g4 g5 32.fgx5 Rf3 33.Re1 Bxg5 34.Bxg5 hxg5 35.Kg2 Ra3 36.Re2 Rb6 37.Rb2 Ke7 38.Ne4 Nc6 39.b5 axb5 40.

Nxg5 Ne5 41.Rcb1 Rc6 42.Re2 Nd3 43.Kh2 b4 44.Re3 Rxa2+ 45.Kg3 Ra3

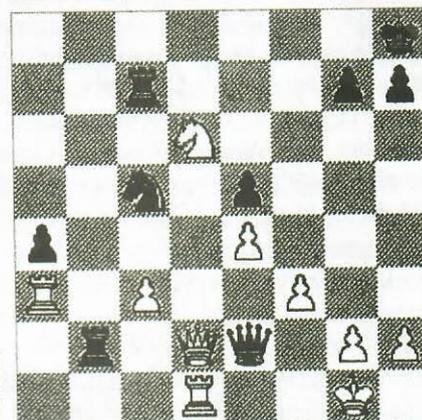


46.Rxb4 Nxb4 47.Rxa3 Kf6 48.h4 Nd5 49.Rf3+ Kg6 50.Nf7 Rc3 51.Ne5+ Kh6 52.Rxc3 Nxc3 53.g5+ Kh5 54.Nd3 Ne4+ 55.Kf4 Kxh4 56.g6 Kh5 57.g7 Nf6 58.Ke5 Kg6 1/2-1/2

#### Andy Rea - Eric Billaux

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e5 6.Ndb5 d6 7.Bg5 a6 8.Na3 b5 9.Nd5 Be7 10.Bxf6 Bxf6 11.c3 0-0 12.Be2 Bg5 13.0-0 Bh6 14.Nc2 Be6 15.a4 bxa4 16.Rxa4 a5 17.Nce3 Rb8 18.Qa1

Bxe3 19.Nxe3 Bb3 20.Ra3 a4 21.Bc4 Na5 22.Bxb3 Nxb3 23.Qa2 Nc5 24.Rd1 Qb6 25.Nc4 Qb5 26.f3 Rfc8 27.Nxd6 Qe2 28.Qxf7+ Kh8 29.Qd5 Rc7 30.Qd2 Rxb2



31.Qxe2 [31.Nf7+ Kg8 32.Qd8+ Kxf7 33.Qxc7+ Kf6 34.Rd6+ Ne6 35.Qd8+ Kf7 36.Qd7+ Kf8 37.Qc8+ Nd8 38.Qxd8+ Kf7 39.Qc7+ Kg8 40.Rd8# - Fritz4 - ed.] Rxe2 32.Nf7+ Kg8 33.Nxe5 h6 34.h4 Rb7 35.Nc4 Rc2 36.Rd8+ Kh7 37.Rd5 Rb1+ 38.Kh2 Ne6 39.Rd2 Rcc1 40.Kg3 Rb3 41.Rxa4 Nc5 42.Ra3 Rxa3 43.Nxa3

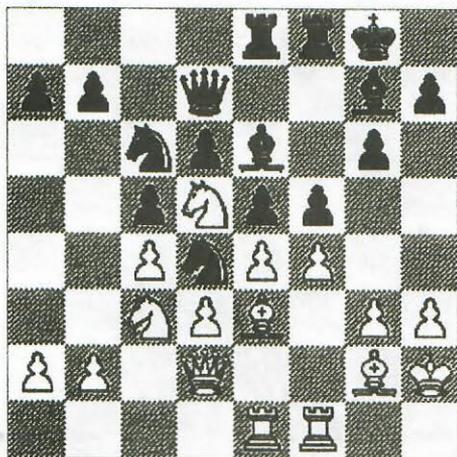
Rxc3 44.Rc2 Nxe4+ 45.Kf4 Rxc2 46.Nxc2 Nf6 47.Kf5 Nd5 48.Ke5 Nf6 49.Ne3 Kg6 50.g4 Nd7+ 51.Kd5 Kf6 52.Kd6 Nf8 53.Nd5+ Kf7 54.f4 Nh7 55.h5 Nf8 56.Ne7 Kf6 57.Nd5+ Kf7 58.Ke5 Ne6 59.Nc3 Nf8 60.Ne4 Nd7+ 61.Kd6 Nf8 62.Nc5 Kf6 63.Nd7+ Nxd7 64.Kxd7 Kf7 65.Kd6 Kf6 66.Kd5 Kf7 67.Ke5 Ke7 68.Kf5 [68.f5 Kf7 69.f6 gxf6+ 70.Kf5 Kg7 71.Ke6 Kg8 72.Kxf6 and white will win...compliments of Fritz5.] 68...Kf7 69.g5 hxg5 70.Kxg5 Kg8 71.Kg6 Kf8 72.Kh7 Kf7 73.Kh8 Kf8 74.Kh7 Kf7 75.f5 Kf8 76.Kg6 Kg8 77.h6 gxh6 78.Kxh6 Kf7 79.Kg5 Kg7 80.Kf4 Kf7 and a draw was obtained after a few more moves. 1/2-1/2

#### Josh Bloomer - Sean Groves

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e5 c5 5.a3 Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 Nc6 7.Qg4 g6 8.a4 Bd7 9.Nf3 Qc7 10.Bd2 cxd4 11.cxd4 Na5 12.Bd3 Nc4 13.Bb4 a5 14.Ba3 Nxa3 15.Rxa3 Ne7 16.0-0 Rc8 17.Qf4 Ng8 18.c4 Bc6 19.c5 Qe7 20.Rb1 f6 21.Qd2 Qc7 22.Rb6 Ra8 23.Bb5 fxe5 24.Nxe5 Ne7 25.Bxc6+ Nxc6 26.Nxc6 bxc6 27.Rab3 0-0 28.Rb7 Qf4 29.Qe3 Rf7 30.Rxf7 Qxf7 1/2-1/2

**Brad Lundstrom - Michael Ginat**

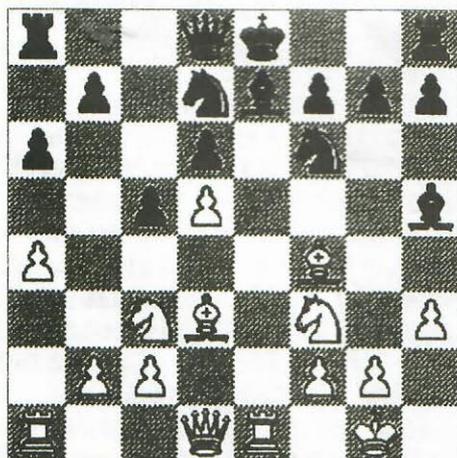
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17.fx5 dx5 18.exf5 gxf5 19.Bh6 Rf7 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Qg5+ Kh8 22.Qh6 Qd8 23.Rf2 Rg8 24.Nb5 Rg6 25.Qe3 Rfg7 26.Nxd4 cxd4 27.Qf3 Qg5 28.b4 e4 29.dxe4 Ne5 30.Qf4 Nd3 31.Qxg5 Rxg5 32.Nf4 Nxe1 33.Nxe6 Rxg3 34.Nxg7 Rxg7 35.exf5 d3 36.Bd5 Rd7 37.f6 d2 38. Re2 h5 39.f7 Kg7 and white lost on time. 0-1

**Phillip Ponomarev - Joshua Wallace**

1.d4 e6 2.e4 c5 3.d5 exd5 4.exd5 d6 5. Nc3 Nf6 6.Nf3 Bg4 7.h3 Bh5 8.Bd3 Nbd7 9.Bf4 a6 10.0-0 Be7 11.a4 Qa5 12. Re1 Qd8



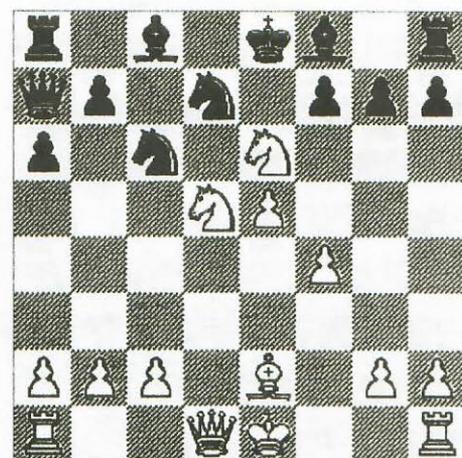
13.Bxd6 Ng8 14.Bxe7 Nxe7 15.d6 Qb6 16.Rxe7+ Kd8 17.Bf5 Nf6 18.Ne5 Rf8 19. g4 Bg6 20.Bxg6 f6 21.Nf7+ Kc8 22. d7+ Kb8 23.d8Q+ Rxd8 24.Nxd8 Kc8 25.Nf7 1-0

**Andy Rea - Randy Canney**

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 0-0 8.a4 Bb7 9.d3 d6 10.c4 b4 11.Nbd2 Nd7 12.Nf1 a5 13.Ne3 Nc5 14.Nd5 Bf6 15.Be3 Nd4 16. Bxd4 exd4 17.Nf4 Be5 18.Nxe5 dx5 19. Ne2 Ra6 20.Ng3 Qg5 21.Bc2 g6 22.b3 h5 23.Qc1 Qh4 24.Rf1 f5 25.f3 f4 26.Ne2 Qe7 27.g3 g5 28.gxf4 gxf4 29.Kh1 Rg6 30.Rg1 Rxg1+ 31.Qxg1+ Kh7 32.Qf2 Rg8 33.Rg1 Rxg1+ 34.Kxg1 Bc6 35.Kf1 Qg5 36.Ke1 Kh6 37.Kd2 Bd7 38.Qg1 Qxg1 39.Nxg1 Kg5 40.Bd1 Kh4 41.Bc2 Bc6 42.Bd1 Ne6 43.Be2 Bd7 44.Bf1 Ng5 45.Ke2 Bc6 46.Kd2 Bd7 47.Ke2 Be8 48. Kd2 Bc6 49.Kd1 Ne6 50.Ne2 Nc5 51. Kc2 Bd7 52.Ng1 Be6 53.Bg2 Nd7 54. Kd2 Nf8 55.Ke2 Bd7 56.Bf1 Ng6 57.Kd2 Kg5 58.Ke2 Nh4 59.Ke1 Ng6 60.Ne2 Nf8 61.Ng1 h4 62.Bh3 Kf6 63.Kd2 Be6 64.Bxe6 Nxe6 65.Nh3 Nc5 66.Kc2 Ne6 67.Kd2 Nc5 68.Kc2 Ne6 1/2-1/2

**Katie Roberts-Hoffman - Jason Caldwell**

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5.f4 c5 6.Nf3 Nc6 7.Be3 a6 8.Be2 cxd4 9.Nxd4 Qb6 10.Nxe6 Qxe3 11.Nxd5 Qa7? [11...Bb4+ 12.c3 Qe4 13.Nec7+ Kd8 14.Nxa8 Bc5 15.Qd3 Qxg2 16.0-0-0 Qg6+- Fritz4]

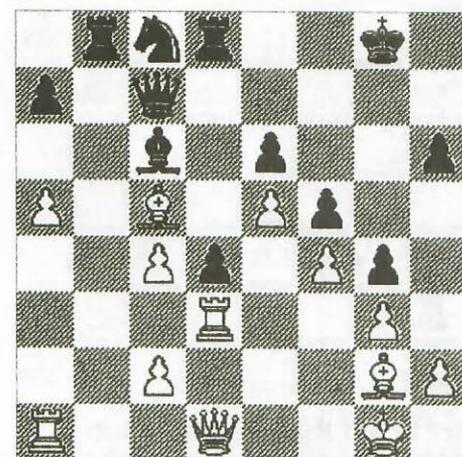


12.Ndc7+ Ke7 13.Qd6# 1-0

**Renard Anderson - Imre Barlay**

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.Nc3 e6 5.Be3 Bb4 6.Nf3 h6 7.a3 Bxc3+ 8.bxc3 Ne7 9. a4 Nd7 10.Be2 Qc7 11.0-0 0-0 12.Bc1 b6 13.Ne1 c5 14.Ba3 Nc6 15.Bg4 Bh7 16.f4 f5 17.Be2 Rf7 18.dxc5 bxc5 19.c4 d4 20. Bf3 Rb8 21.Nd3 Na5 22.Nb2 g5 23.g3 g4 24.Bg2 Rff8 25.Qe2 Bg6 26.Rfd1 Rfd8 27.Qe1 Be8 28.Rd3 Nc6 29.Rad1 Nb4 30.R3d2 Na2 31.Ra1 Nc3 32.Rd3 Nb6

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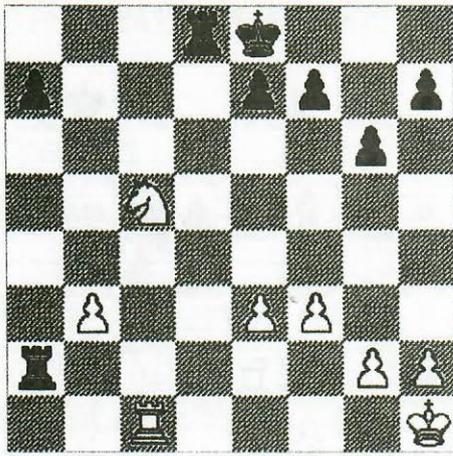
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**Imre Barlay - Eric Billaux**

1.d4 Nf6 2.e3 e6 3.Bd3 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5. Ne2 Be7 6.0-0 0-0 7.Nd2 d6 8.Ng3 Rb8 9.Nf3 b5 10.dxc5 dxc5 11.Qe2 c4 12.Bc2 Ba6 13.e4 b4 14.e5 Nd5 15.Ne4 bxc3 16. bxc3 Qa5 17.Neg5 g6 18.Ne4 Nxc3 19. Qe3 Nxe4 20.Qxe4 Nb4 21.Bd2 Qd5 22. Bxb4 Qxe4 23.Bxe4 Rxb4 24.a3 Rb2 25. Rfd1 Bc5 26.Rd2 Rxd2 27.Nxd2 Bd4 28. Rc1 Bxe5 29.Nxc4 Rc8 30.Bd3 Bb2 31. Rc2 Bxc4 32.Rxc4 Rd8 33.Bf1 Bxa3 34. Rc2 a5 35.g3 Bb4 36.Bb5 Kg7 37.Kg2 Rd2 38.Rxd2 Bxd2 39.Kf3 f5 40.Ke2 Bb4 41.f4 Kf6 42.h4 e5 45.fx5+ Kxe5 44.Kf3 Be1 45.Ba4 h6 46.Be8 g5 47.hxg5 hxg5 48.Bd7 g4+ 49.Kg2 f4 50.gxf4+ Kxf4 51.Kf1 Bb4 52.Kg2 g3 53.Be8 Bd6 54.Bc6 Ke3 55.Kf1 Kd2 56.Bd7 Kc3 57. Bc6 Kb4 58.Ke2 a4 59.Kd2 Kb3 60.Kc1 a3 61.Bd5+ Kc3 62.Kb1 Kd2 63.Bc6 Ke2 64.Bd5 Kf2 0-1

**Sean Cabrera - Josh Bloomer**

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Nf3 Bg7 5. e3 0-0 6.Qc2 c5 7.dxc5 dxc4 8.Bxc4 Qa5 9.0-0 Qxc5 10.b3 Bf5 11.Na4 Bxc2 12. Nxc5 Ne4 13.Nd4 Nxc5 14.Nxc2 Bxa1 15.Nxa1 Nc6 16.Nc2 Rfd8 17.Ba3 Ne4 18.Bb5 Rd2 19.Bxc6 bxc6 20.Nd4 c5 21. Nc6 Rxa2 22.Bc1 Kf8 23.f3 Nc3 24.Ne5 Ke8 25.Nd3 Rd8 26.Nxc5 Ne2+ 27.Kh1 Nxc1 28.Rxc1



Rc2 29.Ra1 Rxc5 30.h3 Rc2 31.Rxa7 Rdd2 32.b4 Rxc2 33.b5 Rh2+ 34.Kg1 Rcg2+ 35.Kf1 Ra2 36.Rc7 Ra1+ 0-1

**Jason Caldwell - Phillip Ponomarev**

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.Bb5+ Bd7 4.Bc4 Bg4 5.f3 Bc8 6.Nc3 Nbd7 7.Nge2 Nb6 8.Bb3 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Nxd5 10.d4 b5 11.c3 Bb7 12.0-0 e6 13.Ng3 c5 14.c4 Nb6 15.cxb5 cxd4 16.Bf4 Bc5 17.Qd3 Nd5 18.Bd2 Ne3 19.Rfc1 Rc8 20.a4 Qg5 21.Bxe3 dxe3 22.Ne4 Bxe4 23.Qxe4 0-0 24.Kf1 Rfd8 25.Rd1 Rd2 26.Rxd2 exd2 27.Rd1 [27.Bxe6] Bb6 28.Bc2 g6 29.b4 Rc4 30.Qxc4 Qe3 31.Rxd2? [31.Qh4 Qg1+ 32.Ke2 Qe3+ 33.Kf1 Qg1+ 34.Ke2 Qe3+ 35.Kf1=; 31.Qh4 g5 32.Bxh7+ Kg7 33.Qg3 Qg1+ 34.Ke2 Qe3+ 35.Kf1=; 31.Qh4 g5 32.Qg3 h5+- Fritz4 - ed] Qxd2 32.Qe2 Qd4 33.Ke1 Qxb4+ 34.Qd2 Qc5 35.Qe2 Qg1+ 36.Kd2 Ba5+ 37.Kd3 Qc5 38.Qd1 Bb6 39.Qe2 Qd4# 0-1

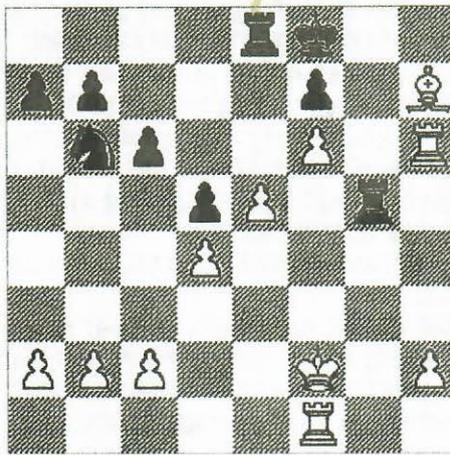
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**Randy Canney - Brad Lundstrom**

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.Nc3 e6 5.g4 Bg6 6.Nge2 h6 7.Be3 Nd7 8.Nf4 Bh7 9.Bg2 Ne7 10.0-0 Ng6 11.Nxg6 Bxg6 12.f4 Be7 13.f5 exf5 14.gxf5 Bh7 15.Qh5 Bg5

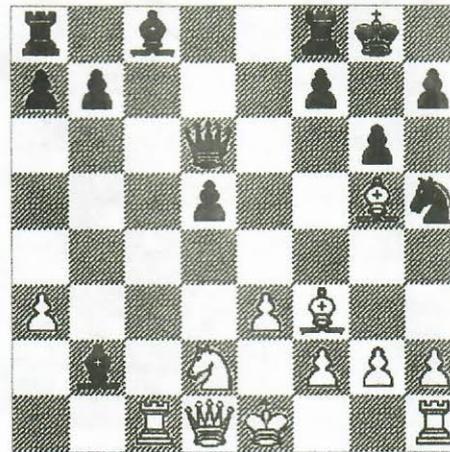
16.Rae1 Bxe3+ 17.Rxe3 Qg5 18.Qf3 0-0 19.Qf2 Rae8 20.Rg3 Qh5 21.f6 g5 22.Bh3 Nb6 23.Nd1 Kh8 24.Ne3 Qh4 25.Nf5 Bxf5 26.Bxf5 g4 27.Rxg4 Qxf2+ 28.Kxf2 Rg8 29.Rh4 Rg5 30.Rxh6+ Kg8 31.Bh7+ Kf8



32.h4 Rg4 33.Kf3 (See Canney - Billiaux, when Randy trapped the Bishop on move 38. - ed) Nc4 34.Kxg4 Ne3+ 35.Kf4 (If 35...Nxf1 36.Bd3 winning the piece and the game. - ed) 1-0

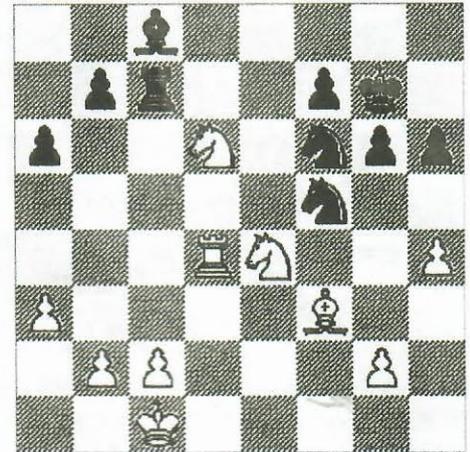
**Sean Groves - Katie Roberts-Hoffman**

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15.Nc4 Qe6 16.Nxb2 Qe5 17.Bh6 Qxb2 18.Bxf8 Kxf8 19.Bxd5 Qxa3 20.0-0 Qe7 21.Qc2 Qg5 22.Qc5+ Kg7 23.Bf3 Qxc5 24.Rxc5 Rb8 25.Rfc1 Be6 26.Rc7 b5 27.Rxa7 b4 28.Rb7 Rxb7 29.Bxb7 Nf6 30.Rb1 b3 31.Bc6 Nd5 32.Rxb3 Kf6 33.Bxd5 Bxd5 34.Rb6+ Ke5 35.Rb5 Kd6 36.f3 Bc6 37.Rb4 Kc5 38.Rd4 Bd5 39.Kf2 Be6 40.Kg3 h5 41.Kf4 f6 42.h4 Bc4 43.Rd8 Kc6 44.Rf8 f5 45.Rf6+ Kd5 46.Rxg6 Bf1 47.g3 Bd3 48.Rh6 1-0

**Mikhail Ponomarev - Andy Rea**  
1.d4 Nf6 2.Nc3 g6 3.e4 d6 4.Bg5 Bg7 5.e5 Nfd7 6.exd6 cxd6 7.Nf3 0-0 8.Qd2 Nc6 9.h4 Nf6 10.Bh6 Bg4 11.0-0-0 e5 12.Bxg7 Kxg7 13.dxe5 dxe5 14.Qe3 Qe7 15.Be2 Rfd8 16.a3 Rac8 17.Rhe1 e4 18.Ng5 Bf5 19.Rxd8 Rxd8 20.f3 exf3 21.Qxe7 Nxe7 22.Bxf3 Rd7 23.Rd1 Rc7 24.Rd4 h6 25.Nge4 a6 26.Nd6 Bc8 27.Nce4 Nf5



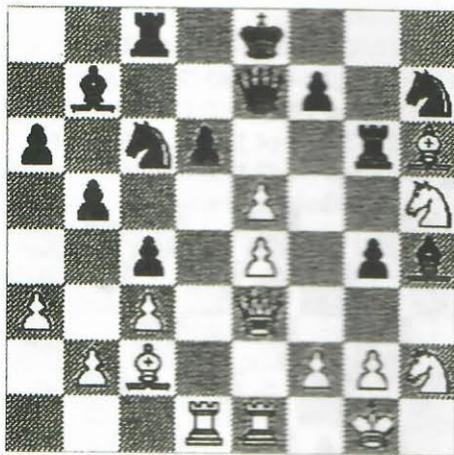
28.Nxf6 Rxc2+ 29.Kxc2 Nxd4+ 30.Kc3 Nxf3 31.gxf3 Kxf6 32.Nxc8 Ke5 33.Kd3 f5 34.Ke3 g5 35.h5 g4 36.f4+ Ke6 37.Nb6 Kd6 38.Nc4+ Ke6 39.Ne5 b6 40.Kf2 b5 41.Kg3 Ke7 42.Nc6+ Ke6 43.Nd4+ 1-0

**Joshua Wallace - Morgan Robb**

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Be2 Bd7 7.0-0 Rc8 8.b3 cxd4 9.cxd4 Nge7 10.Na3 Nf5 11.Nc2 Nb4 12.Nxb4 Bxb4 13.Bb2 Bc3 14.Bxc3 Rxc3 15.Qd2 Qb4 16.Rac1 Rxb3 17.axb3 xd2 18.Nxd2 Nxd4 19.Bd3 0-0 20.Rfe1 f6 21.Rb1 Rc8 22.exf6 gxf6 23.Rbc1 Rd8 24.Rc7 e5 25.f3 Bc6 26.Bxh7+ Kf8 27.Bg6 Kg8 28.Rh7 Rc8 29.Rh5 Bb5 30.Rh7 Ne2+ 31.Kf2 Nf4 32.Bf5 Rb8 33.Rc1 Bd3 34.Rcc7 Bxf5 35.Rhg7+ Kh8 36.Rxb7 Rc8 37.Rbc7 Nd3+ 38.Kf1 Rb8 39.Rxa7 Nc5 40.Rgf7 Nd3 41.Rxf6 Rc8 42.Rxf5 e4 43.fxe4 dxe4 44.Nxe4 Re8 45.Rh5+ 1-0

**Imre Barlay - Mikhail Ponomarev**

1.d4 b5 2.e4 Bb7 3.Bd3 e6 4.Nf3 a6 5.0-0 c5 6.c3 Nf6 7.Qe2 Be7 8.h3 Nc6 9.a3 Qc7 10.Bg5 h6 11.Be3 d6 12.Nbd2 c4 13.Bc2 e5 14.Rad1 g5 15.Nh2 Rc8 16.Rfe1 Rg8 17.Ndf1 h5 18.Ng3 g4 19.h4 Nh7 20.Nxh5 Bxh4 21.Bh6 Rg6 22.Qe3 Qe7 23.dxe5



23. ..Bxf2+ (Highly speculative - Fritz really likes White's game here - ed.) 24. Kxf2 [24.Qxf2] Qh4+ 25.Qg3 Qxb5 26. Bf4 dxe5 27.Be3 Ng5 28.b3? cxb3 29. Bxb3?? Nxe4+ 0-1

Eric Billaux - Michael Ginat

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.Nc3 Nc6 4.Bb5 Nge7 5.0-0 a6 6.Bxc6 Nxc6 7.d4 cxd4 8.Nxd4 Be7 9.Nxc6 dxc6 10.e5 0-0 11.Be3 f5 12. f4 b5 13.Qf3 Qc7 14.Qf2 c5 15.a4 b4 16. Nb1 Bb7 17.Nd2 Bd5 18.Rfc1 c4 19.Nf3 Rab8 20.a5 Rfc8 21.Bb6 Bc5

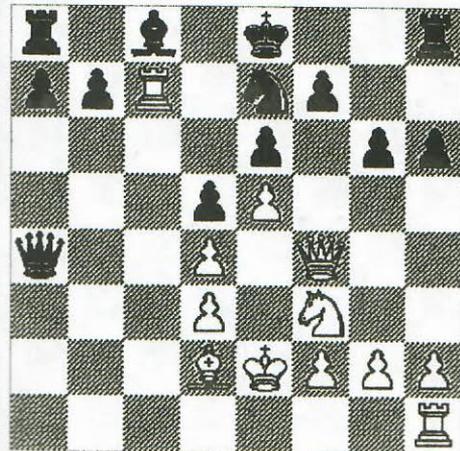


22.Bxc5 Qxc5 23.Qxc5 Rxc5 24.Nd4 Kf7 25.Kf2 c3 26.b3 Be4 27.g3 Rd5 28.Ke3 Rh7 29.Ra4 Rd8 30.Re1 h6 31.g4 g6 32. Re2 Bd5 33.h3 Rg8 34.Rh2 Ke7 35.Ra1 Be4 36.h4 h5 37.g5 Rc8 38.Ra4 Rc5 39. Rf2 Bc6 40.Nxc6+ Rxc6 41.Rf1 Rcc7 42. Rd1 Rd7 43.Rxd7+ Kxd7 44.Kd4 Kc6 45.Ke4 Rb5 46.Rxb4 Rxa5 47.Kxc3 Ra1 48.Ra4 Rxa4 49.bxa4 Kc5 50.a5 Kd5 51. Kd3 Kc5 52.c4 Kc6 53.Kd4 1/2-1/2

Josh Bloomer - Morgan Robb

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e5 c5 5.a3 Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 Nc6 7.Qg4 g6 8.a4 Qb6 9.

Nf3 exd4 10.cxd4 Qb4+ 11.Bd2 Qb2 12. Rc1 Nb4 13.Bd3 Nxd3+ 14.cxd3 Qb3 15. Ke2 Qxa4 16.Rc7 Ne7 17.Qf4 h6??



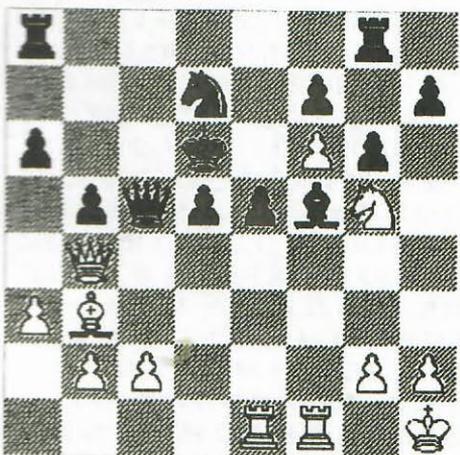
18.Qf6 1-0

Jason Caldwell - Joshua Wallace

1.e4 e6 2.d4 c5 3.d5 exd5 4.exd5 d6 5.c4 Nf6 6.Nc3 Be7 7.Bd3 0-0 8.Nge2 Bg4 9. f3 Bh5 10.0-0 Bg6 11.Bxg6 fxe6 12.Ng3 Nbd7 13.f4 Nb6 14.b3 Nfd7 15.Nce4 Bf6 16.Nxf6+ Nxf6 17.Bb2 Nbd7 18.Qc2 Re8 19.f5 gxf5 20.Rxf5 Rf8 21.Raf1 Qe7 22. R5f4 g6 23.Qc3 Ne8 24.Qh8# 1-0

Katie Roberts-Hoffman - Sean Cabrera

(Notes by editor) 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bc4 e6 7. Be3 Be7 8.f4 Qc7 9.Bb3 b5 10.a3 Bb7 11.0-0 Nxe4 12.Nxe4 Bxe4 13.Qg4 Bf6 14.Rae1 d5 15.f5 e5 16.Bg5 Bxg5 [16... Qc5 - Fritz4] 17.Qxg5 Rg8 18.Kh1 g6 19.f6 Kd7 20.Qg4+ Kd6 21.Nf3 [21.Rxe4 Qc8 22.Qd1 - Fritz4] Nd7 22.Ng5 Bf5 23. Qb4+ Qc5 (Diagram)[23...Kc6 24.Qc3+

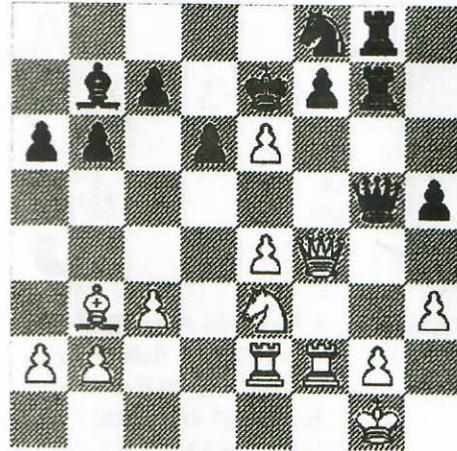


Kb6 25.Qxc7+ Kxc7 26.Bxd5 Rac8 27. Bxf7 Rgf8; 23...Nc5 24.Rxe5 Kxe5 25. Qf4+ Kxf6 26.Qxc7 Rac8 27.Qxf7+ Kxg5

28.Qe7+ Kh6 29.Rf4 - Fritz4] 24.Nxf7+ Ke6 25.Qxc5 [25.Bxd5+ Kxd5 26.Rd1+ Kc6 27.Rd6+ Qxd6 28.Qxd6+ Kb7 29. Rxf5 gxf5 30.Qxd7+- - Fritz4] Nxc5 26. Nxe5 Nxb3 27.cxb3 [27.f7 Rgc8 28.f8Q Rxf8 29.Nxg6+ Kd6 30.Nxf8 Rxf8 31. cxb3 a5 32.h3 h5 33.Kg1 Rf7 34.Re8 - Fritz4] Kxf6 28.g4 Rae8 29.Nd7+ Kf7 30.gxf5 Rxe1 31.Rxe1 gxf5 32.Re5 d4 33. Nc5 f4 34.Rf5+ Kg6 35.Rxf4 Rd8 36.Ne6 Rd6 37.Nxd4 Kg5 38.Re4 h5 39.h4+ Kh6 40.Nf5+ 1-0

Phillip Ponomarev - Sean Groves

1.d4 g6 2.e4 Bg7 3.Nc3 d6 4.Bg5 Nd7 5. f4 b6 6.Bc4 Bb7 7.Nge2 Bf6 8.0-0 Bxg5 9.fxg5 e6 10.Qd2 h6 11.Qf4 Qe7 12.gxh6 Nxh6 13.Nb5 Nf8 14.Nec3 a6 15.Na3 Nd7 16.Bb3 0-0-0 17.Nc4 Rh7 18.Ne2 Rdh8 19.Nd2 Ng8 20.h3 Ngf6 21.Ng3 Nh5 22.Nxh5 gxh5 23.c3 Rg8 24.Rae1 Rhg7 25.Re2 Kd8 26.Rff2 Ke8 27.Nc4 Qg5 28.Bc2 Ke7 29.Ne3 Nf6 30.d5 Nd7 31.Bb3 Nf8 32.dxe6



Qxf4 33.Nf5+? Qxf5 34.exf5 f6 35.Bc2 Rg3 36.Kh2 R3g5 37.Be4 Bxe4 38.Rxe4 Nh7 39.Ra4 Ra8 and Black won after another 30 moves. 0-1

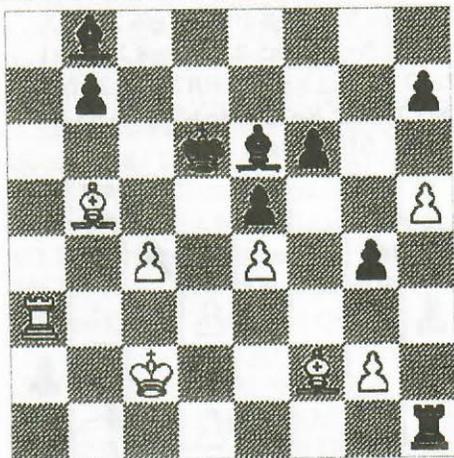
Sean Cabrera - Phillip Ponomarev

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 c6 4.Nf3 dxc4 5.e4 b5 6.a4 Bb4 7.Bd2 a5 8.axb5 Bxc3 9. Bxc3 cxb5 10.Qd2 a4 11.Be2 Nf6 12.e5 Nd5 13.Bb4 Nxb4 14.Qxb4 Qa5 15.Qxa5 Rxa5 16.0-0 Ke7 17.Rfc1 Bb7 18.Rd1 Rd8 19.Kf1 Nc6 20.Ke1 Nb4 21.Kd2 Be4 22.Kc3 Nc2 23.Rac1 b4+ 24.Kd2 Nxd4 25.Nxd4 Rxd4+ 26.Ke3 Rxd1 27. Rxd1 Be2 28.Rc1 Rxe5+ 29.Kd2 b3 30. Bxc4 a3 31.Kc3 Rc5 32.bxa3 Rxc4+ 33. Kb2 Re4 34.Ra1 Re2 35.a4 Rxf2 36.a5 Rxg2 37.a6 Rxh2 38.a7 Bd1+ 39.Kb1 Bf3 [39...Bh5 40.a8Q Bg6+ 41.Kc1 b2+

42.Kd1 bxa1Q+ 43.Qxa1 Rh1+ 44.Ke2] 40.a8Q Bxa8 41.Rxa8 g5 42.Ra7+ Kf6 43.Ra3 g4 44.Rxb3 Rh3 45.Rb4 g3 46.Rf4+ Ke5 47.Rxf7 g2 48.Rg7 Rh1+ 49.Kc2 g1Q 50.Rxg1 Rxb1 51.Kd3 Re1 52.Kd2 Re4 53.Kd3 h5 and Black won. 0-1

**Randy Canney - Eric Billaux**

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bg5 Ne4 3.Bf4 c5 4.f3 Qa5+ 5.c3 Nf6 6.Nd2 cxd4 7.Nb3 Qb6 8.Qxd4 Nc6 9.Qxb6 axb6 10.a3 e5 11.Be3 Na5 12.Nxa5 bxa5 13.Bg5 d5 14.0-0-0 Be6 15.e4 dxe4 16.Bb5+ Nd7 17.fxe4 Bc5 18.Nf3 f6 19.Bh4 g5 20.Bg3 Ke7 21.Rd3 Rad8 22.Rhd1 Nb6 23.b4 axb4 24.axb4 Rxd3 25.Rxd3 Bd6 26.Bf2 Nc4 27.Nd2 Nxd2 28.Kxd2 Ra8 29.Ke3 Ra2 30.h4 g4 31.h5 Bb8 32.c4 Rb2 33.Ra3 Rxb4 34.Kd3 Kd6 35.Kc3 Rb1 36.Kc2 Rh1

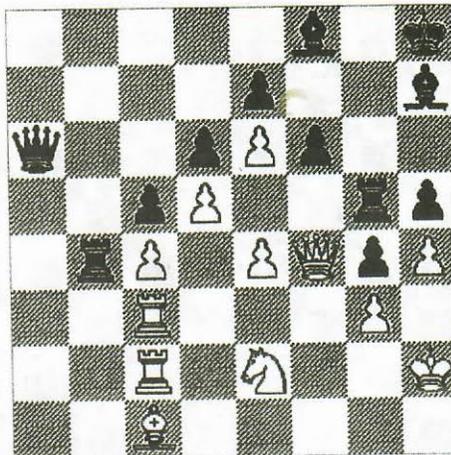


37.Bb6 Ke7 38.Ra8 Bd6 39.c5 Bxc5 40.Bxc5+ Kf7 41.Rb8 Rh2 42.Rxb7+ Kg8 43.h6 Rxb7 44.Rb8+ Kf7 45.Re8 f5 46.Rf8+ Kg6 47.Be8+ Kg5 48.g3 Rh2+ 49.Kc3 Rh3 50.Be7+ Kh6 51.Rf6+ Kg7 52.Rxe6 Rxb3+ 53.Kc4 f4 54.Bf6+ Kf8 55.Bxe5 Rf3 56.Bh5 1-0

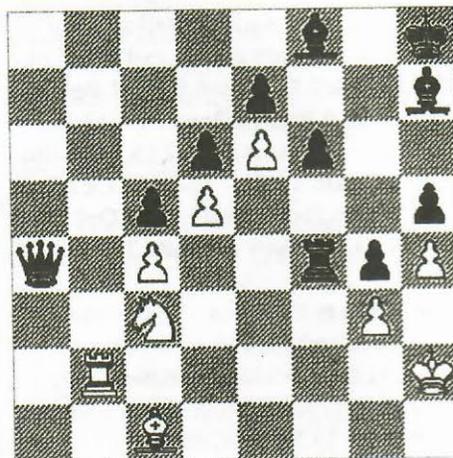
**Michael Ginat - Imre Barlay**

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.c4 Bg7 4.g3 0-0 5.Bg2 d6 6.Nc3 Nbd7 7.0-0 c5 8.b3 a6 9.Bb2 Qc7 10.Qd2 Rb8 11.Rac1 b6 12.Rfd1 Bb7 13.d5 Bc8 14.a4 Re8 15.h3 Nf8 16.e3 h6 17.Re1 N6h7 18.e4 Bd7 19.Bf1 Qc8 20.Kh2 f6 21.Rcd1 Ng5 22.Ng1 Nf7 23.Ba1 h5 24.f4 g5 25.f5 Nh6 26.Be2 g4 27.Bb2 Nh7 28.Be1 Kh8 29.Qf4 Rg8 30.Qf1 (Perhaps Michael, with his space advantage, should open the k-side a little by taking on g4. [30.hxg4 hxg4 31.Bxg4 Nxb4+ 32.Qxg4]) 30...Bf8 31.Bd3 Nf7 32.Nce2 Ne5 33.Nf4 Ng5 34.Re3 Be8 35.Ne6 Nxe6 36.fxe6 Bg6 37.Re2 b5 38.axb5 Nxd3 39.Rxd3 axb5 40.Qf4 Bh7 41.

Rc3 bxc4 42.bxc4 Qa6 43.Rec2 Rb4 44.Ne2 Rg5 45.h4



Re5 46.Ra3 Ra4 47.Rxa4 Qxa4 48.Rb2 Rxe4 49.Nc3 Rxf4



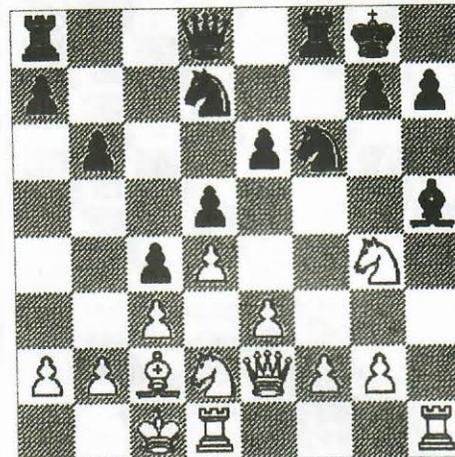
(And Michael resigned in view of 50.Nxa4 Rxc4 when the loss of a piece is inevitable: 51.Rb8 Rc2+) 0-1

**Joshua Wallace - Josh Bloomer**

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 g6 5.Nc3 Bg7 6.Be3 Nf6 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 d5 9.exd5 Nxd5 10.Nxd5 Qxd5 11.Nxc6 Qxc6 12.0-0-0 Bf5 13.Bd3 Rad8 14.Qe2 Bxd3 15.Rxd3 Qb5 16.b3 Qe5 17.c3 Rc8 18.Qd2 Rxc3+ 19.Qxc3 Qxc3+ 20.Rxc3 Bxc3 21.Bxa7 Ra8 22.Be5 Rxa2 23.Rd1 Ra1+ 24.Kc2 Rxd1 25.Kxd1 Kf8 26.Kc2 Be5 27.h3 Bd6 28.Be3 Ke8 29.Kd3 Kd7 30.Kc4 Kc6 31.Bd2 b5+ 32.Kd4 e5+ 33.Kd3 Kd5 34.g4 f5 35.Bc3 e4+ 36.Ke2 Be5 37.Bd2 exf3+ 38.Kxf3 Kd4 39.Ke2 f4 40.Be1 Ke4 41.Bd2 f3+ 42.Kf1 Kd3 43.Be1 Bd4 44.h4 Kc2 45.b4 f2 46.Bxf2 Bxf2 47.Kxf2 Kc3 48.Kf3 Kxb4 49.Kf4 Kc4 50.Kg5 b4 51.Kh6 b3 52.Kxh7 b2 53.h5 gxh5 54.gxh5 b1Q+ 55.Kg7 Qg1+ 56.Kh7 Kd5 57.h6 Ke6 58.Kh8 Kf7 0-1

**Sean Groves - Jason Caldwell**

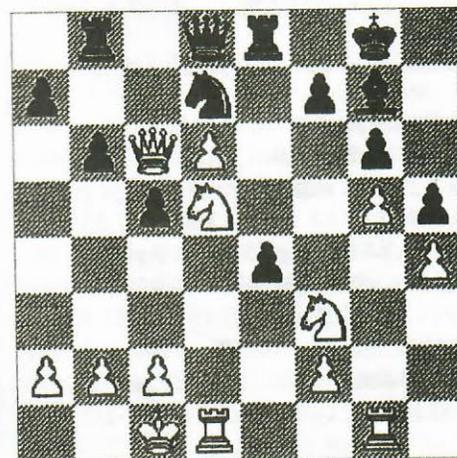
1.d4 e6 2.Nf3 f5 3.Bf4 Nf6 4.Nbd2 d5 5.e3 Bd6 6.Bg3 0-0 7.Bd3 Bxg3 8.hxg3 Nbd7 9.c3 b6 10.Qe2 c5 11.Bb5 Nb8 12.Ne5 Bd7 13.Bd3 c4 14.Bc2 Be8 15.g4 fxg4 16.Nxg4 Nbd7 17.0-0-0 Bh5



18.Nxf6+ Nxf6 19.Rxh5 Nxh5 20.Qxh5 Rxf2 21.Qxh7+ Kf8 22.Qh8+ Kf7 23.Qh5+ Kf8 24.Nf3 Qe8 25.Qh8+ Kf7 26.Bg6+ Kxg6 27.Ne5+ Kf5 28.Qh3+ [28.Qh4 Rc2+ (28...Rxb2 29.Qf4#, 28...Qf8 29.Rh1 Rd8 30.Qxf2+ Kg5 31.Qh4+ Kf5 32.Qf4#) 29.Kxc2 Qa4+ 30.Kc1 Qxd1+ 31.Kxd1 g5 32.Qf2+ Ke4 33.Qf3# - Fritz4 - ed] Ke4 29.Qg4+ Kxe3 30.Re1+ 1-0

**Mikhail Ponomarev - Brad Lundstrom**

1.d4 d5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.Bg5 e6 4.e4 dxe4 5.Nxe4 Be7 6.Bxf6 Bxf6 7.Nf3 Nd7 8.Bd3 b6 9.Qe2 Bb7 10.0-0-0 Qe7 11.g4 h6 12.h4 g6 13.g5 Bg7 14.Ba6 Bxa6 15.Qxa6 h5 16.Qb7 Qd8 17.d5 e5 18.d6 c5 19.Nc3 0-0 20.Rhg1 Re8 21.Nd5 Rb8 22.Qc6 e4



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# 1998-99 Colorado Chess Tour

Compiled by Michael Fuchs

**Tournaments included:** Colorado Open; Membership Meeting Open; Elk Hunt Alternative; US West Chess Festival Open; Winter Springs Open; Loveland Open; Adams State Open; Boulder Open; Colorado Springs Open.

## OVERALL

<u>Player</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Points</u>
1. Renard Anderson	23	459.97
2. Andy Rea	30	457.44
3. Josh Smith	38	419.94
4. Mike Shedd	25	389.77
5. Joe Bihlmeyer	29	340.27
6. Al Gardner	34	334.87
7. Katie Roberts-Hoffman	31	321.55
8. Mark Schlagenhauf	18	306.45
9. Shane Gaschler	21	300.73
10. Phillip Ponomarev	18	291.25

## MOST ACTIVE

<u>Player</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Points</u>
1. Josh Smith	38	419.94
2. Al Gardner	34	334.87
3. Katie Roberts-Hoffman	31	321.55
4. Andy Rea	30	457.44
5. Joe Bihlmeyer	29	340.27
6. Allan Ufer	27	102.39
John Schultz	27	258.30
8. Mike Shedd	25	389.77
9. Renard Anderson	23	459.97
Wolfgang Kern	23	229.63
Randy Schine	23	191.55
Kathy Schneider	23	54.80

## EXPERT

<u>Player</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Points</u>
1. Andy Rea	30	457.44
2. Mike Shedd	25	389.77
3. Mark Schlagenhauf	18	306.45
4. Mark Scheidies	16	269.37
5. Eric Billaux	17	259.97
6. David Landers	16	223.11
7. Adam Weissbarth	13	212.46
8. Dan Avery	11	179.49
9. Leroy Hill	11	157.05
10. David Bowers	8	146.14

## CLASS A

<u>Player</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Points</u>
1. Shane Gaschler	21	300.73
2. Phillip Ponomarev	18	291.25
3. Jeff Baffo	15	237.20
4. Ron Leonhard	14	207.82
5. Sean Scott	16	183.65
6. Vance Aandahl	15	183.46
7. Dwight Sehler	18	173.95
8. Josh Bloomer	12	163.37
9. Andy Hortillosa	14	157.28
10. David Langlois	9	146.61

## CLASS B

<u>Player</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Points</u>
1. Josh Smith	38	419.94
2. Joe Bihlmeyer	29	340.27
3. Al Gardner	34	334.87
4. Wolfgang Kern	23	229.63
5. Mike Presutti	21	208.09
6. Nick Emery	19	190.91
7. Christopher Walker	17	182.79
8. Eugeniu Lungulescu	12	170.84
9. Rick Nelson	18	162.51
10. Gary Bagstad	15	155.21

## CLASS C

<u>Player</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Points</u>
1. Katie Roberts-Hoffman	31	321.55
2. John Schultz	27	258.30
3. Michael Kass	21	206.04
4. Randy Schine	23	191.55
5. Robert Overdorff	18	182.92
6. Robert Anderson	22	164.06
7. Phil Brown	18	156.93
8. J. C. MacNeil	18	154.71
9. John Bales	16	137.22
10. Randall Moore	18	137.09

## CLASS D/E and Below

<u>Player</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Points</u>
1. Sean Cabrera	19	188.47
2. Shawn Svare	18	149.34
3. Laurence Wutt	17	138.16
4. Dean Brown	19	128.95
5. Sophie Weiss	21	120.21
6. Joshua Wallace	15	119.90
7. Jon Fortune	21	109.39
8. Allan Ufer	27	102.39
9. Mitchell Thomas	9	101.74
10. Scott Robb	14	96.91

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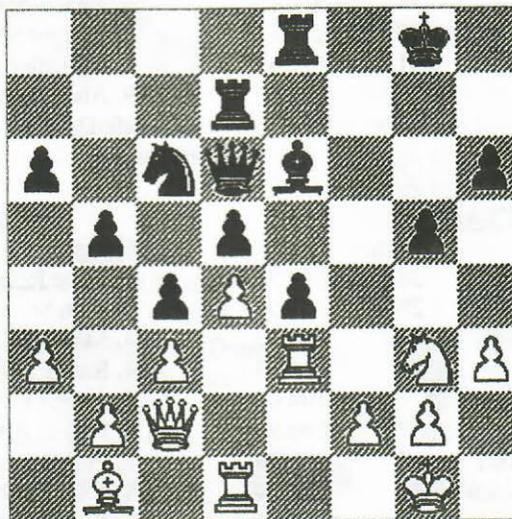
And ??

See you in October!

I had to put in one of my good ones didn't I?! Consider this a sampler of the Psycho-B-Player column!

Michael Fuchs - Ron Leonhard, Loveland Open, Round 1

1.e4 c5 2.Bc4 e6 3.d3 d5 4.exd5 exd5 5.Bb3 Be7 6.Nf3 Nf6 7.0-0 0-0 8.Nc3 h6 9.Bf4 Bg4 10.h3 Be6 11.Qe2 Nc6 12.a3 Re8 [12...d4 13. Bxe6 dxc3 14.Bc4 cxb2 15.Rab1 Nd5 16.Bxd5 Qxd5 17.Rxb2 Bf6 18. Rb5 Rfe8 19.Qd2 b6 20.Rfb1 Rad8 21.R5b3 Qf5 22.Rb5] 13.Rad1 a6 14.Rfe1 Bd6 15.Qd2 Qc7 16.Bxd6 [16.Bxh6 - Bummer! This is not the sort of shot I usually miss 16...gxh6 17.Qxh6 Qd8 18.Bxd5 Bxd5 19. Rxe8+ Nxe8 20.Nxd5 Bf8 21.Qh5 Nf6 22.Qg5+ Bg7 23.Ne3 Nd7 24. Qg3 Qb8 25.Qh4 Nf8 26.Nf5 Ng6 27.Qh5 (27.Qg4) ] 16...Qxd6 17.Ne2 Rad8 18.Ng3 b5 19.c3 Qf8 20.d4 Ne4 21.Qc2 c4 22.Ba2 f5 23.Bb1 g5 24.Nd2 Qd6 25.Ndx4 fxe4 26.Re3 Rd7 (See Diagram)



27.Nxe4?! (While this is speculative, Ron had less than 2 or 3 minutes remaining on his clock at this point, and it was complicated enough to be troublesome. As much as anything, 26. ...Rd7 is a choice of the wrong rook, as Qg6+ will be more

damaging)

27...dxe4 28.Qxe4 (Fritz4 rates this position as even, even though I've sacrificed a knight for a pawn, so at least I know it wasn't *too* speculative! [28.d5 Bxd5; 28.Rxe4 Rf8]) 28...Bf7 [28...Rg7 29.d5 (29.d5 Nd8 30.Qe5 Qxe5 31.Rxe5 Bd7) 29...Nd8=+] 29.Qh7+ Kf8 30.Qh8+ Bg8 31.Rxe8+ Kxe8 32.Qxg8+ Qf8 [32...Ke7 33.Re1+ Ne5 34.Rxe5+ Qxe5 35.dxe5 Rd1+ 36.Kh2 Rxb1 37.Qh7+ Ke6 38.Qxb1] 33.Bg6+ 1-0

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## **Denver:**

Denver Chess Club meets every Tuesday from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. with an optional rated game (G/90) at 7:30 p.m., at the VFW at 955 Bannock Street. With over 70 members, the Denver Chess Club is a good place to get some great chess! Contact: Pat Bruno (303)430-8575 or amp@amusicplus.com.

Glendale Chess Club meets every Friday at the Glendale Community Center, 999 South Clermont Street,

Room 2B. Play starts at 6:00 p.m. Contact: Glendale Community Center at (303)384-8100.

St. Marx Club meets every Saturday morning at St. Marx, located at 1416 Market St. This is an unrated, 6 round, (G/15) format.

## **Golden:**

Golden Chess Club meets every Monday evening at 7pm, at the Barnes and Noble Booksellers in the Denver West Shopping Center, 14347 West Colfax. Non-rated games, open membership, free lessons first Monday. Contact: Dick O'Dowd (303) 279-1996.

## **Grand Junction:**

Grand Junction Jr. Chess Club meets every third Saturday of the month at the Knights of Columbus Building, 2853 North Ave. There is a \$2.00 entry fee, registration begins at 9:30 a.m., and play begins at 10:00 a.m. Contact: Rand Dodd at 245-4015.

## **Greeley:**

Greeley Chess Club meets Thursdays from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. at the Ramkota Inn at 8th Avenue and 8th Street. Contact: Brad Lundstrom (970)352-6642.

## **Lakewood:**

Lakewood Chess Club meets on Thursdays from 1-3 p.m. at the Clement Center, 16th and Yarrow (one block north of Colfax and one (or two) block(s) west of Wadsworth. The club also meets on Saturdays at the Higher Grounds Coffee House, 14th and Washington in Golden. Contact: Bill Riley (303)232-7671.

## **Pueblo:**

Pueblo Chess Club meets Wednesdays at 7 p.m. at Teddi's Coffee and A Lot More, 7th and Main. Contact: Seth Allen (719)562-1139.

## **Westminster:**

Westminster Chess Club meets every Wednesday at Barnes & Noble bookstore, 9370 Sheridan Blvd. Play begins at 7:00 p.m. Contact: Larry Hathorn (303)469-2208.

**Club info?! Please send to us at  
10555 W Jewell Ave  
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Lakewood CO 80232  
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**Membership Meeting Open, September 4, 1999**

3 round swiss system tournament. Time Control: G/60. Site: VFW, 955 Bannock (near 9th & Speer), Denver, Colorado.

**One Section: Entry fee:** \$12 if received by 9/1, \$15 at site; \$3 off for juniors, seniors, unrateds. Prizes: per entries. **Registration:** 8:00-9:00 am. **Rounds:** 9:30, 12:00, 5:30. **Entries:** Richard Buchanan, 308 Ruxton Ave., Manitou Springs CO 80829.

Phone: (719) 685-1984 E-mail: buckpeace@pcisys.net CSCA membership required, OSA. **A Colorado Tour Event.** NS, NC.

**Note:** There have been a number of changes made due to the time constraints placed upon us by the playing site. Read the announcement carefully. The CSCA Membership Meeting will be on Saturday (not Sunday as it usually has been) at 3:30 PM. Everyone please plan to attend. Also note that the Membership Meeting Open has also been moved to Saturday.

**Colorado Open, September 4 - 6, 1999**

6 round swiss system tournament. Time Control: 35/105 and G/60. Site: VFW, 955 Bannock (near 9th & Speer), Denver, Colorado. **Open Section:** is Colorado State Championship tournament, open to all. **Entry fee:** \$35 if received by 9/1, \$40 at site; \$9 off for juniors, seniors, unrateds. **Reserve Section:** Open to U/1800. **Entry fee:** \$30 if received by 9/1, \$35 at site; \$8 off for juniors, seniors, unrateds. Prizes: per entries. **Registration:** 8:00-9:00 am. **Rounds:** Sat. 9:30, 5:30; Sun 9:00, 2:30; Mon 9:00, 3:00.

**Entries:** Richard Buchanan, 308 Ruxton Ave., Manitou Springs CO 80829. Phone: (719) 685-1984 E-mail: buckpeace@pcisys.net CSCA membership required, OSA. **A Colorado Tour Event.** NS, NC.

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**Wyoming:**

**Sept. 25, 1999, Cheyenne Fall Fling**

4 Round Swiss. Time control: G/60. USCF rated. Site: Room 123, Center of Conferences and Institutes, Laramie County Community College, 1400 East College Drive, Cheyenne. **Registration:** 9:00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m., **Rounds:** 10-12:30-3-5:30. **Entry Fee:** \$10. Prizes: 70% of entries. **Entries:** Allan Cunningham, 1012 Ashford Drive, Cheyenne, WY 82007, (307)634-7809, e-mail: ADCDAC@aol.com., NS, NC, W.

**Organizers: Deadline for tournament announcements in the October issue of the informant is September 1st.**

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## Tournament Announcements

### **July 24-25, Denver: DENVER OPEN**

4-SS, rds 40/2, 20/1 DENVER-VFW, 955 Bannock (Speer & Bannock). \$\$1275 b/75 rated. **Open:** Open to all. **Entry Fee:** \$35 if received by 7/15, \$40 at site. (\$600 b/25) 300-130-70, U2000 \$60, U1800 \$40. Top player is Denver Open Champion. **Premier:** Open to U1800 (no unrated). **Entry Fee:** \$30 by 7/15, \$35 at site. (\$325 b/25): 150-100-50, U1700 \$40, U1500 \$30. **Reserve:** Open to U1400. **Entry Fee:** \$25 by 7/15, \$30 at site. (\$250 b/25): 100-60-40, U1200 \$30, UNR \$20. 25% off EF to Juniors, Seniors and Unrateds. Unrateds may only win place prizes in OPEN and UNRATED sections. CSCA membership required: \$12, \$6 (jr & sr). **Reg:** 8:30-9:30 am. **Rounds:** 10, 4, 9, 3. **Entries:** Checks payable to Denver Chess Club c/o Pat Bruno, 749 Douglas Drive, Denver, 80221. (303) 430-8575. **COLORADO TOUR EVENT.**

### **Pikes Peak Open, August 7 - 8, 1999**

5 round swiss system tournament. Time Control: Rounds 1-3: 40/90 and 25/1. Rounds 4-5: 40/2 and 20/1. **Site:** Radisson Inn, 8110 N. Academy Blvd. (I-25 & N. Academy), Colorado Springs, Colorado. **One Open Section: Entry fee:** \$25 if received by 8/4, \$30 at site; \$6 off for juniors, seniors, unrateds. **Registration:** 8:30-9:30am. **Rounds:** 10am - 2:30pm - 4pm, 9am - 3pm. **Entries:** Richard Buchanan, 308 Ruxton Ave., Manitou Springs CO 80829. Phone: (719) 685-1984  
E-mail: buckpeace@pcisys.net CSCA membership required, OSA. A Colorado Tour Event.  
**Hotel Phone:** (719) 598-5770

### **Northwest Colorado Open, August 21 - 22, 1999**

4 round swiss system tournament. Time Control: 40/90, SD/60 **Site:** Moffat County Pavillion, 955 E. 4th St., Craig, Colorado. Two Sections: **Open:** open to all USCF members. **Entry Fee:** \$27 by 8/19 or with online registration, \$32 at site. \$6 off for juniors, seniors, unrateds. Prizes: \$150 paid \$80-40, U1400 30. **U1600:** open to under 1600. **Entry Fee:** \$22 by 8/19 or with online registration, \$27 at site. \$6 off for juniors, seniors, unrateds. Prizes: \$150 paid \$80-40, U1400 30. **Registration:** 9:45am **Rounds:** 10-3, 9-2. **Entries:** Mary Nelson, 962 County Road 20, Craig, CO 81625 Phone: (970) 824-4780  
E-mail: mary@ramdesigns.com CSCA membership required, OSA. A Colorado Tour Event. NS, NC, W

### **CCA Saturday G/30, every Saturday.**

4 rd SS. **Site:** The Colorado Chess Academy, 1062 Delaware St, Denver CO 80204. **Entry Fee:** \$12 for members, \$15 for non-members. **Prizes:** 70% of entries. **Registration:** 11-12am. **Rounds:** Start at 12 noon. **Information:** 303-669-3228

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