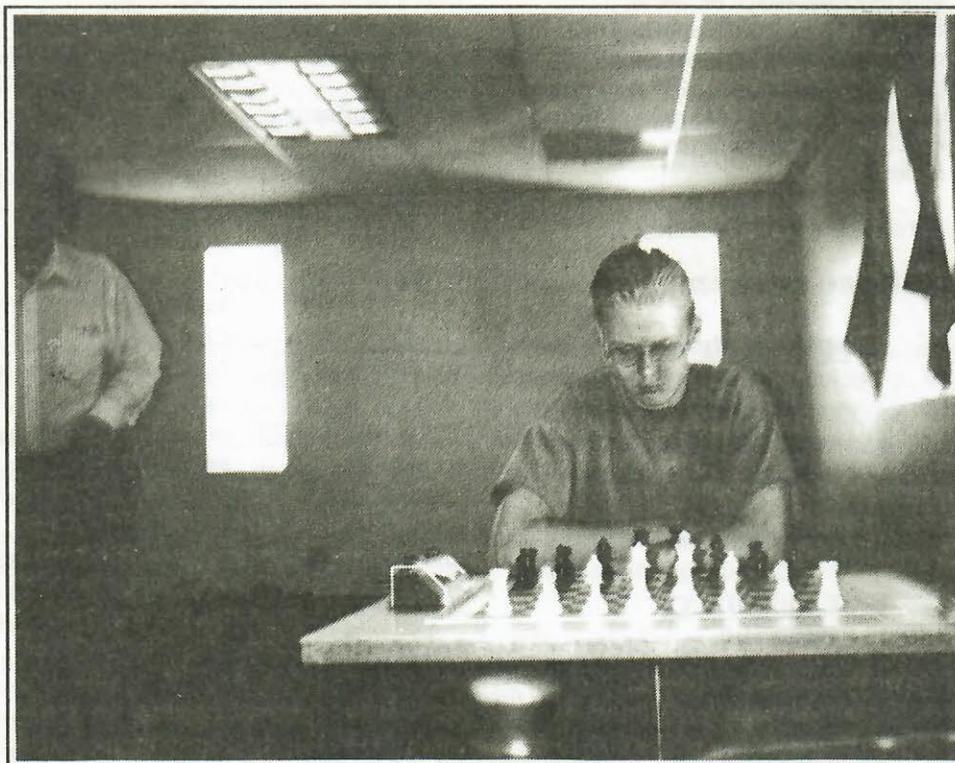


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Phillip Ponamerev ponders his response to IM Michael Valvo's (left background) opening move at the 1999 Colorado Open. (Photo courtesy of Carol Caldwell)

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The Wildman's Writings

by Colorado Chess Informant Editor Michael Fuchs

Well, it's that time again already! Sometimes it seems that the fun never ends! You will notice in this issue some extensive analysis/observations, most notably by Dan Avery and Andy Rea. Thanks guys! You may note that a couple of incomplete scores have been included. Normally, I'm not crazy about partial scores, but I have included them this time. Also, a special thanks to Mark Scheidies, whose unflagging devotion to Colorado Chess keeps us in great selections year-round. On to the important stuff – MY GAMES! - okay, okay, just kidding. But, seriously folks, please check the important announcement on page 4 in the "Buckspeak" column. This reflects the official motion to amend the CSCA by-laws to increase the dues. This vote will be taken at the Quick Chess Championships in Colorado Springs.

This issue has been tougher than my first one. Like the B-player I am, I used a good working weekend to play chess! This would have been a much better use of my time had I played good chess. Anyhow, one issue that did arise with the publishing of the July Informant, was the printing of crosstables. Crosstables will be included in the manner in which I receive them, they will not necessarily be in tiebreak order (usually they come in alphabetical or rating order). Another issue is timely submissions! It is never too early to submit, but it can be too late!! Please send your submissions as early as possible. It is much easier for me to squeeze in late stuff – The Membership Meeting and Colorado Open have always been included in the October Informant – if I have a head start on the other goodies!

In this issue you will most of the usual goodies. Games, results, and some very good analysis came from the Southern Colorado Open, the Denver Open, and the Pikes Peak Open. Dan Avery finishes his look at the best games of 1998 with the top 5 (page 6). The final 1998-99 Colorado Chess Tour winners are highlighted on page 31, with a couple of new faces showing up at the top of some sections. Buckspeak and my Membership Meeting Report are chock full of interesting tidbits for everyone to digest and peruse. Results from the Northwest Colorado Open, the Membership Meeting Open, and the Colorado Open start on page 42 (games will appear in the January issue).

Unfortunately, we don't have an article this time from NM Todd Bardwick, hopefully that will change in January. Also missing are a couple of suggestions I made in the last issue, ("Where are they now?" and the "Battle of the Editors") did not make their way to print. Look for one or both to show up in future issues. I did manage to get page numbers and the website address printed this time, and I expect gold stars for my refrigerator next time I see you. Anyhow, ENJOY! And I'll see you over-the-board!
Yours in chess,
Mike Fuchs

Buckspeak

by CSCA President Richard Buchanan

Colorado Open

International Master Michael Valvo surprised no one by winning the Colorado Open with a 5.5-0.5 score. He solidly outclassed the field and won a well deserved victory. It was an honor to our tournament to have this renowned internationally known master compete.

Philipp Ponomarev was the sensation of the early rounds as he won his first four games, beating Emerson, Schlagenhaut, and Renard Anderson before he finally ran into Valvo. Sepp Hochreiter also impressed in the early rounds with a tough victory over James McCarty. In the end Eric Billaux of Colorado Springs took second place by himself with 5 points. Other open section prize winners were Dan Avery, Philipp Ponomarev, Richard Garcia, and Emanuel Weiss.

First place in the Reserve section went to Gene Strandberg, also with 5.5. Gene led the field throughout the tournament. Half a point behind him were Ron Rossi and Valeriy Levitan in a tie for second place. Other prize winners were Michael Gano, assistant TD Jon Fortune, youngsters Michael Munafo and Robbie Caldwell, and unrated Sebastian Buhlmann.

Roman Grinshteyn won the one-day Membership Meeting Open, held for the first time on Saturday. Maybe this choice of days was what brought a record 26 players into this section. Half a point behind were Andy Rea, Edelreick De Los Lado, and Vance Aandahl. Other prizewinners were Ed Hudak, Thomas Stocks, and Frederick Hope.

Crosstables are elsewhere in this issue. Games will appear next time.

We knew you could do it, guys!

Our top Colorado players had a hot summer. GM Alex Fishbein tied for first place in the World Open in Philadelphia. His 7-2 score included a win over World Championship Finalist Vladimir Akopian and a last-round victory over English veteran GM Anthony Miles. Then in Reno Michael Mulyar scored a mighty 7.5 - 1.5 to tie for first place in the US Open! He drew Joel Benjamin and beat grandmasters Serper, Adianto, and Kudrin! Congratulations!!!!

USCF Delegates Meeting

This meeting was held in Reno, the site of the US Open, on August 14-15. My journal entry about it reads, in part, as follows:

"The Delegates meeting was a hot one but not as bad as I had been fearing. Personality conflicts kept coming up, and real hostilities among Board. Don Schultz ran the meeting rather ineptly. One of his first rulings was to try to stifle Dorsch's sharp Treasurer's report, but the delegates overruled him. Biggest issue was the budget. We approved one that had a surplus of \$125 K to make a dent in the deficit. This eliminated SASP funds; we later put 50% of the funds back in the budget.

"Lots of the usual items. For the first time I voted yes on OMOV. Larry Evans, in front of me, looked around with amazement. It still failed, though, by a fairly close vote.

"Controversy on routine matters. Even at the end, on making Rachel (Lieberman) and Don delegates at large. (Arizona Delegate Richard) Peterson motion stating "no confidence" in Cavallo met a substitute motion declaring confidence, and then the whole thing was tabled..."

Many problems were solved before the meeting started, by the announcement of the new Executive Board (formerly Policy Board) that the Delegates and Voting Members elected this summer. I was pleased with the results. Five of the seven candidates I endorsed were elected, and the ones I was really worried about were soundly defeated. The new leadership is a sensible, practical one that will work well together, a good balance of new ideas, solid experience, and professionalism. Bob Smith of Florida is the new USCF President. He got the most votes of any candidate. Other officers are John McCrary, VP; Doris Barry, Secretary; Jim Pechac, Treasurer (though now they call it VP of Finance or some such title). Despite controversy, Mike Cavallo is continuing as Executive Director. I am now a member of the USCF Ethics Committee, an important and controversial one.

USCF is in a deep financial hole. Depending on who you listen to and what accounting methods they use (all Greek to me!) there is a deficit of \$4 to \$8 hundred thousand. This year's budget will reverse the trend and take a bite out of the deficit. It hurts CSCA, though, because the funds we normally get from USCF were cut in half.

I changed my vote on OMOV (One Member One Vote), which I have opposed for years, for basically three reasons: 1) The

support for the move is coming from the mainstream of chess leadership now, rather than the fringe groups; 2) The Internet gives us the means for the full membership to be informed about the real issues involved in elections; and 3) Several Colorado players indicated to me that they supported it.

Other issues: There was a controversial motion, supported by most of the new Executive Board, to set up a separate Scholastics Board of Directors - not unlike what we have in the CSCA, where Scholastics has its own bank account and basically runs its own programs as it chooses. This set of a lot of fireworks. Many hinted an underlying threat of Scholastics leaving USCF entirely, which I think is very unlikely. Overnight the motion was changed considerably and a more amenable substitute passed easily.

A few matters that affect tournament players were that White is now expected to make a move on the board before starting the clock if Black is not present (to conform with FIDE rules and accommodate the new digital clocks) and that "club teams" will no longer be allowed in the national scholastic championships tournaments. This latter one passed quickly with no discussion.

For a more complete report, check the USCF's web page at www.uschess.org/org/govern/pb9908us.html

Important announcements

Dues Increase Vote

Mike Fuchs will be reporting elsewhere on the CSCA membership meeting that was held Sept. 4.. But I need to bring up one item with the readers. At the meeting I proposed an increase in CSCA dues, with the basic membership going from \$12 to \$15, the junior and senior ones from \$6 to \$8, and the one-tournament membership from \$3 to \$5. This was discussed extensively, and a straw vote of the members present indicated a solid support for it. But we could not take an official vote at that meeting. Because the dues are built into our By-Laws, we need to inform the membership in advance about a vote to change them. We have decided to hold a special membership meeting during the Colorado Quick Chess Championship tournament at Colorado Springs on Nov. 21. At this meeting we will have the formal vote on the dues increase. Several people have asked me if they can e-mail votes in for this election. I'm afraid the By-Laws state that By-Laws can only be changed by members attending an official membership meeting as described above. However, if people can not make the tournament and wish to write or e-mail me their opinions, I will see that these thoughts are taken into consideration, and I will report the tally to the members before the vote.

So here is the formal announcement:

The Board of Directors of the Colorado State Chess Association is calling a special Membership Meeting for Sunday, November 21, 1999, at the Radisson Hotel, 8110 N. Academy, Colorado Springs, the site of the Colorado Quick Chess Championship tournament. The meeting will begin at 12:00 noon (although it is possible that tournament conditions may delay it slightly), and will consider the following proposal by President Richard Buchanan:

Motion: To amend the first two sentences of Article III, Section 1 of the CSCA By-Laws to read, "Association dues shall be \$15 for one year. Juniors (under 21 years of age at date of membership expiration) and Seniors (age 65 or older) shall pay \$8 for one year's membership."

Because the September Membership Meeting was closely divided on the question of the one-day membership, and because that is not a By-Laws issue but one that can be decided by the Board, I am removing that issue from the motion. It may be discussed and voted on separately at the meeting, or it may be referred back to the Board.

The above By-Laws motion can not have amendments or substitutions at the meeting; it can only be accepted or rejected. It needs a vote of two thirds of the members present to pass. The By-Laws set the quorum for a meeting at only 10 members.

Tournament Clearinghouse

After many years of service, Tony Wilson has resigned as Tournament Clearinghouse for Colorado. This service is now being run through the CSCA's Website. Tournament planners need to consult this to check dates for tournaments. Be sure to keep the Clearinghouse advised of all planned chess events. Also be sure to check the dates for upcoming Scholastic events when planning tournaments.

New Tour fee for tournaments

At the September 4 membership meeting, a motion was approved to increase the fee paid for each player in a Tour event from \$0.50 to \$1.50. This needs to be sent to the CSCA Treasurer along with membership dues collected, with a note stating clearly how much is for dues and how much for the Tour fee. Organizers need to plan for this fee increase when figuring tournament income. Players need to realize it may involve an increase in entry fees and/or a reduction in prize funds.

John Watson

Chris Hendrickson supplies the following information:

John Watson, a prominent International Master who lived in Colorado in the 1970s, has had a stroke. He is now in a rehabilitation center in Las Vegas. Although his mind is fine, he can't walk. He does not want any visitors at this time. As he has no insurance, the medical bills are piling up. Donations can be sent to the John Watson Medical Fund in care of his sister Barbara at Barbara Watson, 143 River Rd, Gill MA 01376. The last word I heard from her was that he is proceeding in his recovery.

Steve Smith

Steven Barry Smith died on June 18 after he was hit by a car while riding his bicycle.

Steve Smith won the Wyoming chess championship many times. He was a regular participant in Colorado tournaments in the period 1975 - 1985. He promoted and directed chess events, edited the publication *Wyoming Chess*, and developed software and computerized fonts for chess diagrams. He was a professor of mathematics and physics at Northwest College in Powell, Wyoming. In 1991 he designed, programmed, and built a device that allowed a blind friend to write, communicate, and play a musical instrument. This project won a regional award in the Johns Hopkins National Search for Computing to Assist Persons with Disabilities. He also enjoyed poetry, art, and playing his guitar. He is survived by his wife Janell and their children Adrian and Kirsten.

Elsewhere in this issue [page 38] I have a collection of Steve's games compiled from different publications.

Ken Horne

I also lost another friend this summer. Ken Horne, USCF Delegate from Nevada, was killed when his private plane crashed returning to Las Vegas from the US Open. Ken and I sat next to each other at the Delegates Meeting, and shared many a sarcastic witticism. He was a fine person, deeply dedicated to chess. He had a fresh outlook, even naive. He always proposed motions at each meeting. Many were rejected, but there were always some full of solid common sense. I find it difficult to imagine a Delegates meeting without him. I recall Larry Parr quoting his wife saying of Ken, "His heart was good." It was. So was the rest of him.

CSCA's old computer for sale!?

Support the CSCA by buying our old computer. While I won't go so far as to say it's a great or even good starter computer, I will say that it should be very good for someone with light needs and a tight budget. It may also be fun to play around with for someone who likes to build and tinker with computers. It is even possible that there could be some tax write-off action if you can determine that the "fair-market value" is less than you pay! What is it? Tower: IBM Clone - 386, 16K memory, 200MB hard-drive; 14" color monitor; HP600c Deskjet printer; Regular keyboard. \$250 or best offer. Call Mike Fuchs at 303-984-0227 or e-mail at wldman-mike@aol.com for more information.

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The Colorado Chess Informant's Ten Best Games of 1998

(Games 1-5)

By Dan Avery

This is the second part of an article which began in the July 1999 issue of the *Colorado Chess Informant*. As I mentioned previously, this is the first time the *CCI* has recognized the ten best games played. The criteria are fairly simple. Any USCF rated game played by at least one active CSCA member in 1998 could be considered for this list, with one caveat. No games which involved the author could be considered. I requested games and notes in advertisements in the *CCI*, on the CSCA web page, and whenever the topic arose with tournament players. I have received tremendous feedback from several players, and thank you all for your kind, and in some cases not so kind, but always helpful comments! While I certainly would have liked a stronger player to annotate these games, I have scrupulously analyzed these and about 100 other games of extremely high quality to determine, which deserve to be called the ten best games of 1998. I have utilized all the resources at my command, most notably existing game notes and Chessmaster 6000 (CM6K). Once again, I would like to point out that in many positions, no computer can come to a correct conclusion, and should be used mostly as one would use a calculator, to check errors in concrete analysis. I consider myself to be fairly competent at strategic and positional evaluations, but many of these games were extremely challenging, so please be patient with any mistakes or oversights. I welcome letters to the editor pointing out any errors, omissions, or games which should have made the top ten that didn't! So without further ado, here are the ten best games of 1998:

10: Brian Wall vs. James McCarty Denver Open, July 12th Round 4

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9: Mikhail Ponomarev-Edward Frumkin U.S. Senior Open, November 11th, Round 3

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8. Mike Presutti-Christopher Walker Colorado Open, September 7th, Round 5

DRAW

7. Paul Cornelison-Randy Canney US West Chess Festival, November 15th, Round 3

1-0

6. Adam Weissbarth-James McCarty US West Chess Festival, November 14th, Round 2

0-1

5. Michael Ginat - Mikhail Ponomarev Colorado Closed

1-0

4. Renard Anderson - Sage Mo Denver Open

0-1

3. Leroy Hill - Andrew Rea Pikes Peak Open

DRAW

2. Ron Deike - Robert Fordon Southern Colorado Closed

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1. Mikhail Ponomarev - Randy Canney Colorado Closed

DRAW

Congratulations to all the participants for creating beautiful chess games that help us to remember that we all fell in love with the game for its artistry.

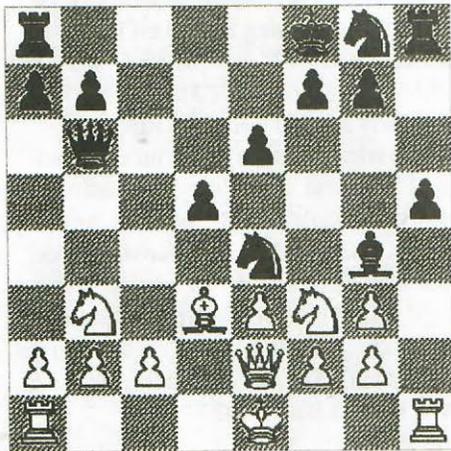
Here are some statistics that jump out about the top ten games. Mikhail Ponomarev was a participant in the most games - three. James McCarty and Randy Canney were represented with two games. The only Class players represented were Mike Presutti and Christopher Walker, while masters took twelve of the possible twenty slots. At least one master was present in eight of the ten best games! All the games were played in Colorado, and three were played in strong invitational tournaments. The fourth round of the Denver Open was especially memorable, as two of the ten best games occurred simultaneously, next to each other! White won three games, Black won three, and there were four draws. (This was a nice piece of coincidental symmetry. Of the top thirty or so games, about half were won by White.) I will leave to others to decipher these and other statistics to see if there was some unstated bias or secret code. Meanwhile, I shall present the top five games with comments. I hope you enjoy these games as much as I did in se-

lecting them!

5. Michael Ginat vs. Dr.

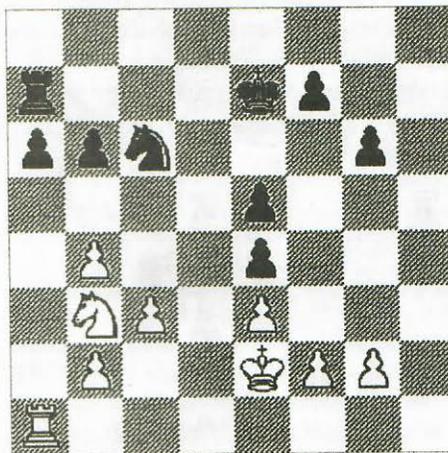
Mikhail Ponomarev Colorado Closed Denver, March 29th, 1998. Round 7 QP London System D02 (CM6K considers this to be D11, but this has to be a glitch in the program since all those games begin with 2.c4) 1.d4 d5 I will rely heavily on Mr. Ginat's excellent notes published in the July 1998 *CCI*, pp11-12. I strongly encourage all readers to go back and read his informative and entertaining comments. I hope the following dialogue will encourage you to come to your own conclusions (and perhaps even write a letter to the editors pointing out the errors of my ways!) 2.Nf3 Bf5 3.Bf4 e6 4.e3 Bd6?! White needs only a draw to clinch first place in this last round encounter, and Black needing a win to finish in the top three, plays into his hands. White can simply exchange on d6 and have a nice quiet game, or play more daringly with 5. Bd3 and look forward to a promising middlegame. 5.Bg3 Mr. Ginat criticized this move, too harshly in my opinion. He claimed that it allows a nuance, 5...h5, which makes it dubious. He called Dr. P's move "a beautiful idea" with a threat of h5-h4 which would not be possible with a Knight on f6. I found several games by strong players who played 5.Bg3, but none with ...h5. Black almost always played 5... Nf6. If Mr. Ginat is correct, then this is an important innovation. 6.Bd3!? (White can still play 6.Bd6, and try to prove that Black's fifth move was a waste of time, but this seems more sensible. Mr. Ginat argues that after Black forces an exchange on d6 by 6...h4, Black has a slight initiative in an even position.) Bg3 7.hg3 Bg4 While there are tactical threats associated with h5, Mr. Ginat's play is already pointing out the strategic liability of playing h5 and opening the h-file. 8.Nbd2 Nd7 9. Qe2?! CM6K prefers White's position after 9.c4. I agree that this is more active than the text, but Mr. Ginat was hoping to reach tranquil shores as quickly as possible. I doubt he seriously considered castling queenside here. 9...c5! This thematic move sharpens the game considerably. 10. dc5 Nc5 11.Bb5+ Kf8 12.Nb3 Qb6 In fact, CM6K goes overboard and suggests

that Black has a slight but tangible edge here! I consider this position to be practically equal. Perhaps 12...Rc8 was slightly better, as Mr. Ginat finds a tactic which questions whether the queen belongs on b6 yet. 13.Bd3 Ne4?!



Mr. Ginat points out that Dr. P's moves are unpredictable. I would rather play 13. Nd3+ and then develop the N on g8. Now Black runs into a pretty "petit combination". It doesn't really win material, but it significantly improves White's position. 14.Be4! de4 15.Ne5! Qb3 (Somebody showed the line 15...Qb4+ 16.Qd2 with a large advantage to White.) 16.ab3 Be2 17. Ke2 Nf6 Mr. Ginat writes, "[t]he dust has settled and I have a clear edge. My Rooks are developed and my pawn structure is better." Although White has two sets of doubled pawns, his structure is better because the rooks are usefully employed on the open files. I really wonder why 5...h5 was considered so good by Mr. Ginat, when now it is precisely that move which gives White the most tangible target. 18. g4! Ke7 19.gh5 19.g5 Nd7 20.Nd7 Kd7 21.Rh4 looks even better, as CM6K points out. Rh5 20.Rh5 Nh5 21.Nc4 a6 22. Rh1?! I don't quite see how occupying this file is worth giving Black a free tempo to redeploy his knight. I prefer 22.Rd1. Nf6 23.Na5 Rc8 24.c3Rc7 25.b4 Nd7!? 26.Rh8 Nf8 27.Nb3 b6 28.Rh1 Nd7 29. Ra1 Nb8 30.Nd4 g6 31.Rh1 White is making slow, but steady progress while Black shifts his knight back and forth. As Mr. Ginat points out, he would have settled for a draw except that he recognized that Black has a very difficult time not making a mistake. Under normal circumstances, since White has all the play, only

White should offer draws here. However, in the given tournament setting, where a draw will guarantee first place, it is up to Black to offer the draw. e5 32.Nb3 Nd7 33.Ra1 Nb8 34.Rh1 Nc6 35.Ra1 Ra7 35...Nb8 would probably lead to a draw by repetition.



Although Black has created additional weaknesses by advancing his pawns, there is still no clear way to win for White without advancing his own pawns. Mr. Ginat has shown tremendous patience so far, and Black's defense has been very difficult. But now, a well timed pawn advance on the kingside decides the issue. 36.g4! While this move may not change the evaluation of the position from a draw to a win, it has a deep psychological benefit because it requires a precise response which may be difficult to find in *zeitnot*. 36...Ke6 It is hard to recommend improvements for Black here. Perhaps since the text is already close to losing, 36...f5 37.Rh1! Kf6 Rh8 may offer some chances to complicate the game. 37.Rh1 Rc7 38. Nd2 f5 39.gf5+ Kf5! As horrible as this move looks, it is forced, as Mr. Ginat proved by the following variations: 39... gf5 40.Rh6+ Ke7 (forced) 41.Nc4 (intending to reach d6) Nd4+ 42.ed4 Rc4 43.de5 and White is winning. 40.Rh4 (40.Rh8 is also good.) Nb4 Mr. Ginat described this as desperation. I honestly don't see much of an alternative. A passive move such as 40...Ne7 will surely get ground down as White will probably pick up two pawns within the next ten moves or so. The only other reasonable move for Black is resignation. 41.cb4 Rc2 42.Rh1? This mistake goes unmentioned in Mr. Ginat's notes. White has an easy win after

42.b3! Ra2 43.Kd1 followed by Kc2 and using the rook to mop up the loose pawns. However, Mr. Ginat's technique is so impressive that he makes the text look like a fairly straight-forward win also. Rb2 43. Rb1 Ra2 44.Ke1 a5 45.ba5 ba5 Rook pawns are notoriously difficult for knights to stop. However, if White keeps the rooks on the board, he should be able to find a way either to win the a pawn or make a decisive break on the kingside. 46.Nc4 Ra4 47.Rc1 Ke6 48.Kf1 Ra2 49.Rc3 a4 50.Kg2 Kd5?! Dr. P misses a nice interpolation, 50...Ra1! intending Rb1-b3. If White plays 51.Nd2, then ...Kd5 is much stronger. White is still winning, but he would have much more work ahead. 51. Nb6+ Kd6 52.Rc4 a3 53.Rc3 Ra1 54.Ra3 "I was almost sorry to see the end of this heroic Rook!" --Michael Ginat. Despite the piece for a pawn disadvantage, Dr. P plays on, in the spirit of this tremendously fought endgame. However, Mr. Ginat proves more than up to the task of converting the win. Ra3 55.Nc4+ Kc5 56.Na3 Kb4 57.Nb1 Kc4 58.Nd2+ Kd3 59.Nf1 1-0 Mr. Ginat credits his endgame play as the main reason for his success in the tournament. This was a truly impressive feat against a strong endgame player such as Dr. Ponomarev!

4. Renard Anderson - Sage

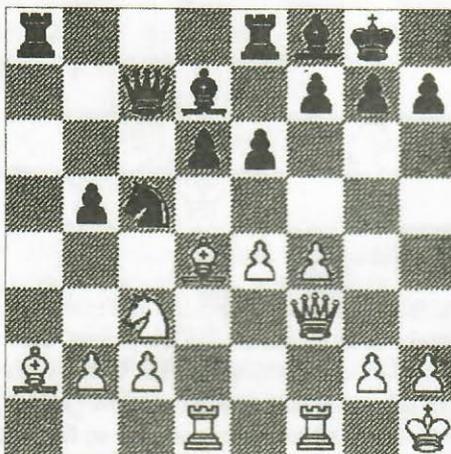
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B86 Sicilian Scheveningen/Sozin

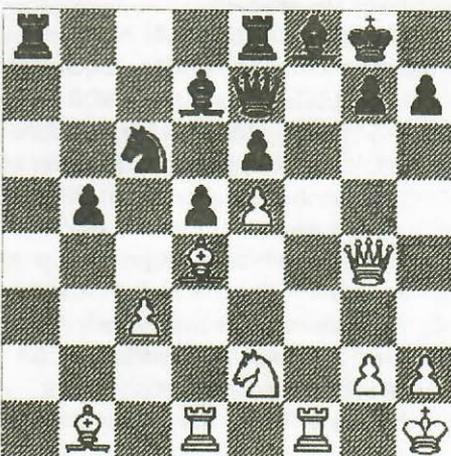
This game was played on board one in the last round of the Denver Open while on board two, the great game between Brian Wall and James McCarty was being played out. I had a great view of these games on board four playing Mike Emerson. These two games, and two others from this round, inspired me to create a ten best games list, and I was pleased to see at least these make the final cut. I said earlier that this round has perhaps the most beautifully played games of any round in any tournament all year. I was surprised also that Mr. Anderson did not have more games make this list. He was perhaps the first ever double CSCA tour winner, winning both the overall and most active prizes. He plays at a consistently high standard, and will usually make his wins look easy. Almost every draw and loss was a hard fought scrap which de-

served close analysis. This game is no exception. For those who wish to peruse an example of one of his better wins, see his victory over me in the Colorado Open. 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cd4 4.Nd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e6 6.Bc4 Be7 The Sicilian is one of the most difficult openings to play in part because innocuous looking moves can be fatal. This is more true in the Sicilian than in most openings because the strategic and tactical concepts are so varied and actually contrary to many classical tenets. While 6...Be7 is not actually bad, it is an unusual choice because Black often has to make inroads on the queenside before developing his kingside. I recommend that class players do not play the black side of the Sicilian precisely because difficult nuances such as these require a very subtle understanding of specific positions. Most players can gain more by studying less challenging openings and spending more time on tactics and endgames. 7.Be3 According to the old ECO, this should give Black a slight edge. 7.Bb3 is recommended. My database shows many games continuing 7.Be3, and White does fairly well. 7.. 0-0 8.Qe2?! But this still seems dubious. Black can gain almost instant equality by 8...d5! but has also scored well in other lines. White should simply castle and transpose to more familiar lines, not being afraid of 8...Ne4?! ...a6 9.a4?! This looks like a good prophylactic move, but practice has shown that Black cannot afford a strong queenside show of force like 9...b5 because he has spent too much time on the kingside. White should still consider castling and developing an attack by an eventual f4. 9... Nc6 10.0-0 Despite all my negative comments on the opening so far, the players are actually following several games dating from about 1954 to 1997. In 1982 Kasparov played 10...d5! and gained a quick draw against Ivanovic. There have been other attempts, with varying results, but this thematic pawn push seems to guarantee Black safe equality. Sage is not interested in playing safe chess and tried 10...Qc7?! which leads to interesting games in which Black has also been scoring well. 11.Bb3?! The bishop does not need to move yet, and when it does,

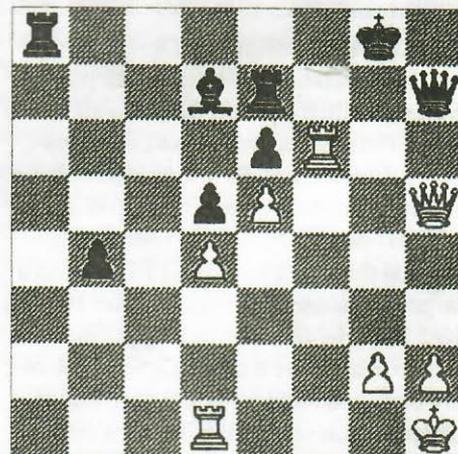
perhaps a2 is a better square. White has tried 11. Kh1 and 12.f4. ...Re8 12.Kh1 Nd7 13.Rad1 Nc5! 14.Ba2 Bd7 15.f4 Bf8 CM6K recommends 15...Nd4 16.Rd4! Bf6. This looks like a more active defense than the text. 16.Qf3 b5? 16...Nb4 offering to trade off the critical light squared bishop is a better move. 17.ab5 Nd4 18. Bd4 ab5



19.f5! Bc6 19...e5 20.Bc5 dc5 21.f6! g6 22.Nd5 yields White a dangerous attack, yet CM6K says this is Black's best. I think 19...Bc6 is a more reasonable choice for a human, even if it may drop a pawn. 20. fe6 fe6 21.Qg4 Qe7 22.e5?! This attractive move may be premature, because Black can organize his defense around d5. ...d5 23.b4! This initiates a sac that may not be quite correct, but is tremendously difficult to meet in practical terms. Na6 24.Ne2 Nb4 White sacs the lone queenside pawn to fuel his kingside attack. 25. Bb1 Bd7 26.c3 Nc6



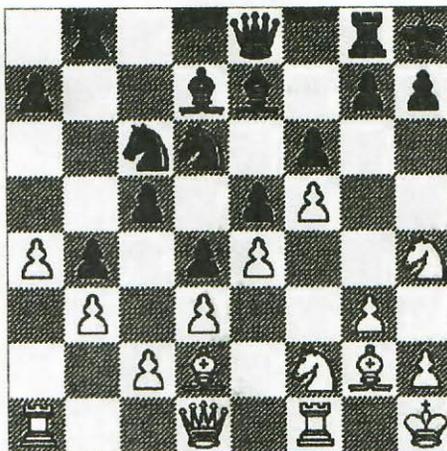
27.Nf4?! CM6K really wanted to sac with 27.Bh7, but could not make it work. It came up with an incredible idea though. 27.Bc5!!, deflecting the queen from the defense of f7. 27...Ra4 28.Bh7+ Kh7 29. Qh5+ Kg8 30.Be7 Be7 31.Qf7+ Kh7 32. Nd4 Nd4 33.Qh5+ Kg8 34.Rd4. and White wins. What a beautiful combination! The text is also very interesting and may be enough to win. g6?! 28.Ng6?! CM6K points out an alternative method that may work better: 28.Nh5 Kh8 29. Bg6! 28...Qg7! 29.Rf6 Nd4 30.cd4 b4! Reminding White what he invested to get this attack. 31.Qh5 (31.Rdf1!) Be7 32. Ne7 Re7 33.Bh7+! Qh7



34.Rh6? In the post-mortem, 34.Rg6 was tried, but Black seemed to hold. Now I am not so sure. 34.Rg6+ Rg7 35.Rh6 Qh6 36. Qh6 b3! 37.Rb1! Rb8 should give White a very nice, perhaps even decisive edge. For example, play might go: 38.Qd2 Be8?! 39. Qc3 Rf7 40.h3 and the kingside pawns should decide the game. However, Renard had only seconds left and surprisingly, Sage, who often lives in time pressure, had about ten minutes to make six moves. 34...Be8!! 35.Qg4+ (35.Rh7 Bh5 36.Rh5 b3 is resignable.) Qg7 36.Qe6+ ? Re6 37. Re6 Bd7 38.Rd6 Ra2 39.Rg1 and White lost on time. This was an incredible game, played by two of the hottest players in Colorado at the time.

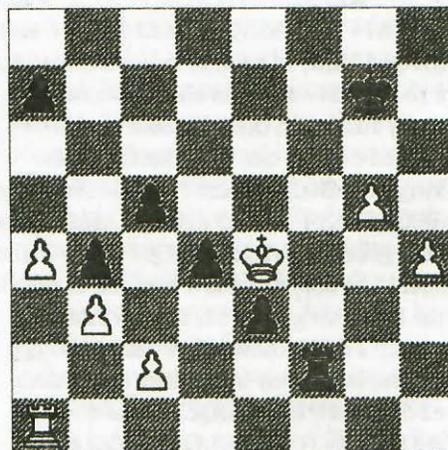
3. Leroy Hill - Andrew Rea Pikes Peak Open, August 2nd, Round 5. King's Indian At-

tack B20 (I have used the excellent notes by Andy Hortillosa and Richard Buchanan which were published in the October 1998 CCI, pp. 9-10.) Leroy and Andy have met several times over the years, and are renewing this special rivalry here in Colorado after having played each other in the Armed Forces Championships! Leroy has told me that while they are evenly matched, their games almost always end decisively because of their different styles. This game proves to be a brilliant exception to that pattern. 1.e4 c5 2.d3 Nc6 3.g3 d5 4.Nd2 Nf6 5.Bg2 e6 6.Ne2 Be7 7.0-0 8.Nc3?! d4 9.Ne2 Ne8 10.f4 Bd7?! Black might be able to reach a main line King's Indian reversed with careful play. He should strive to save every possible tempo, and so 10...f6 is better. White might try to take advantage of the fact that e5 has not been played by 11.e5 fe5 12.Bc6?! bc6 13.fe5, but I prefer Black's chances here, despite his cramped position because White has several light square weaknesses, especially on d5. 11.Nf3 f6 12.Bd2 e5 If Black had managed to save a tempo by not playing 10..Bd7, he would now have the White side of a King's Indian main line variation which is considered double-edged, but with White retaining a slight advantage. 13.Kh1? And now, White can begin the thematic kingside attack every King's Indian player dreams of, with an extra tempo in hand! He should play f5, followed by g4-g5 and storm the opponent's castle. I believe this plan is actually winning for White. Nd6 14.b3 This move does not accomplish much for White. Again, he should focus on the kingside. 14... b5 15.Neg1 Rb8?! While this maneuver sometimes makes sense when the bishop is still on c1 (c8 in the reversed KID), I don't understand it here. Black can open up the queenside 16.a4 b4 Black voluntarily locks up the queenside in the hope of getting counterplay where he is strategically weakest. 17.Nh3 Qe8 18.Nf2 Kh8 19.f5 Rg8 20.Nh4

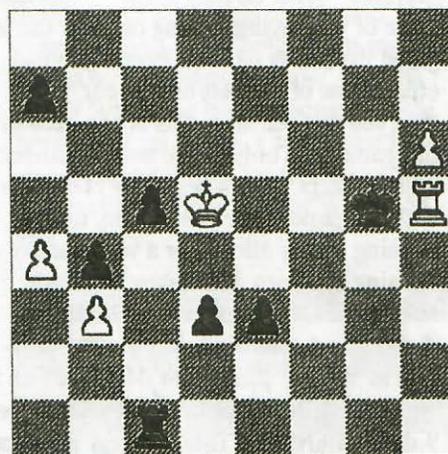


g5!? Andy Hortillosa criticized this move, saying that Black could wait to play it. Mr. Hortillosa pointed out that White is not obliged to open the kingside by 21.fg6. However, if the kingside is closed when the queenside has already been locked up, then the most likely result is a boring draw, as occurred on the next board over in Avery-R. Anderson. After locking up the kingside and queenside (in a "normal" KID), I claimed a fifty move rule draw on move 73. 21.fg6 hg6 22.Ng4 f5 23.ef5 Bh4 24.gh4 gf5 25.Nf6 Qg6 26.Ng8 Andy Hortillosa, citing an evaluation by Fritz5, suggested that 26.Bg5 wins for White. While it is certainly a high class waiting move (26...Be8 27.Ng8! is an improvement for White), the text is also winning. Rg8 27.Bg5 Nf7 28.Rg1? But White throws away most of his advantage by not playing 28.Bd5! first. Now, Black locks up the center and even gains some counterplay on the g-file! e4! 29.Qe2 Ng5 30.hg5 e3 31.Bd5 Andy H. recommends 31.Raf1 as a winning move. Ne5!? 32.Rg3? f4 33.Be4 Bc6! While there has been some room for improvement so far, both Andy and Leroy play the rest of the game with tremendous creativity and energy. 34.Rh3+ Kg7 35.Qg2 Be4 36.de4 f3 37.Rf3 Nf3 38.Qf3 Re8 39.e5? Black is now winning. Andy H. says that Fritz5 prefers 39.Qf5, which was rejected as bad in the post-mortem. Re5 40.h4 Qe4! 41.Kg2 Qf3+? 41...Qc2+ wins easily, but then we wouldn't be treated to the endgame that follows. 42.Kf3 Rf5+ 43.Ke4

Rf2



44.Rc1? This is a non-move, as Andy Rea demonstrates. 44.Rh1 is probably White's only move. Kg6 45.Kd5 Rc2! 46.Rh1 d3 47.h5+ Kg5 48.h6 Rc1! This is a beautiful example of the importance of a single tempo in the endgame. Both players show tremendous savvy and courage to sacrifice their pieces so nonchalantly. They both had plenty of time left on their clocks. 49.Rh5+

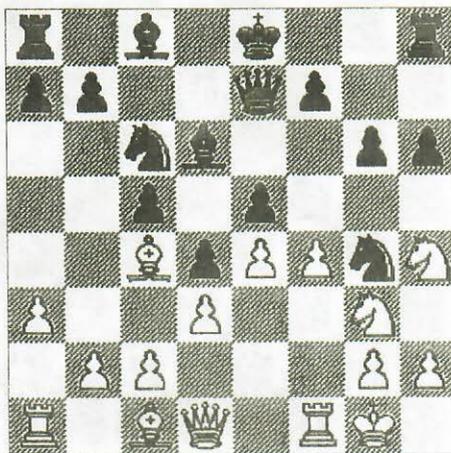


Kg6? Buck argues that 49...Kh5 50.h7 d2 51.h8(Q)+ Kg4 52.Ke4! may well draw for White. While 52.Ke4 is certainly ingenious, I don't see any draw at all after 52...d1(Q) 53.Qg7+Kh3 54.Qh6+ (what else?) Kg2 55.Qg5+ Kf1 56.Qf6+ Ke1 (even 56...Ke2 wins!) and Black evades the checks. Even if Black did not see this, Kg6 would deserve criticism because White can simply repeat the same threat one rank further along. 50.h7 d2 51.

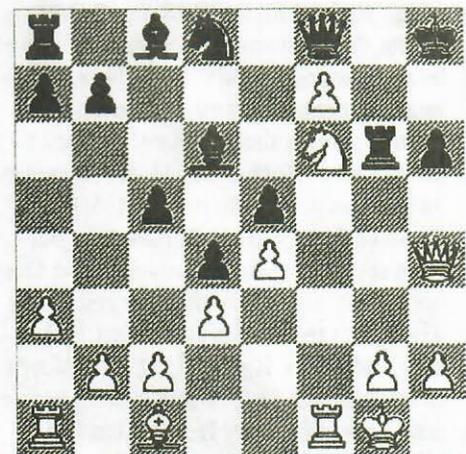
Rh6+! Kf5 52.h8(Q) d1(Q)+ 53.Kc6 Ke4 54.Qh7+ Kd4 55.Rd6+ Kc3 56.Rd1 Rd1 57.Qe4 Now, in spite of being a Queen for a rook and two pawns ahead, the most likely result is a draw because the advanced e-pawn can be protected by the king. **57...Kd2 58.Kc5?** White should try **58.Qd5+ Ke1 59.Qc5 e2!?** (59...Rd3 looks very good for White.) **60.Qb4+** and White should be able to force a position in which the black king is on e1, with White to move. I don't know if it is really enough to win, but it may be White's best chance. **e2 59.Qb4+ Ke3 60.Qc3+ Rd3 61.Qe1 Rd1 62.Qg3+ Kf3 63.Qg2+ Ke3 64.Qg5+ Kf3 65.Qf5+** and the players agreed to a **DRAW**. What an exciting game!

2. Ron Deike - Robert Fordon

Southern Colorado Closed, February 21st. Round 2 Chigorin Reversed A00 1.Nc3 e5 2.a3!? ECO considers only 2.g3 as reasonably playable. What do they know? I can hear some of you saying, "Hang on, how can a game that starts like this even be considered as one of the best of the year?" I'll give you fair warning, this is one heck of a fun game, and only some small aesthetic quibbles kept it from being my choice for the best game of the year. Also, today's opening theory allows for a wide variety of opening schemes. Ron likes the Black side of the QGD Chigorin (1.d4 d5 2.c4 Nc6!?), and aims for a very similar position as White. **2...d5 3.e4 d4 4.Nce2 e5 5.Ng3 Nc6 6.Bc4 Bd6 7.Nf3 Nf6 8.0-0 Qe7 9.d3 h6 10.Nh4!?** This is a very provocative move. If play continues quietly, the white pieces will be pushed back against the castled king which would probably result in a quick victory for Black. **g6 11.f4** However, Ron has no intention of passively being pushed back to oblivion. **Ng4**

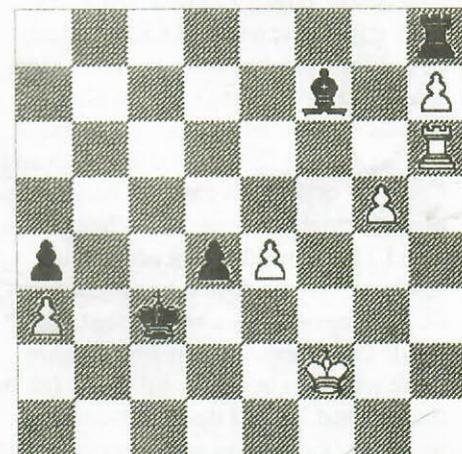


12.Bf7+!!? CM6K also recommended this move! **Kf7 13.Ng6!** CM6K recommends **13.fe5+ Kg7 14.Ng6 Kg6 15.Nf5 Bf5 16.ef5+ Kh7 17.ed6 Qh4 18.Bf4 Ne3 19.Be3 de3**. However, *Black* is much better at the end of this line. The text is much sharper and may even confer a slight objective edge for White. **13.. Kg6 14.f5+ Kh7 15.Qg4 Rg8 16.Qh3 Qf8 17.Qh4 Nd8** If there is an improvement for Black, it is probably **17.Be7**. While CM6K prefers this to the text, it considers both to be sufficient. **18.Nh5 Be7 19.f6 Bd6 20.f7!** Suddenly CM6K switched from thinking that Black had a substantial edge to White having a slight edge. I think it is still unclear, but Ron has certainly justified his sacrifice. **Rg6 21.Nf6+ Kh8**



22.Ng8! Nf7 23.Bh6!? According to CM6K, **23.Nh6 Nh6 24.Rf8+ Bf8 25.Qh5 Kh7 26.Qe5 Bh3 27.Bg5 Bd6 28.Qd5** favors White, but I like Black after **28... Rag8**. This is a long line of analysis, but

most of the moves are forced. **Rh6 24.Nh6 Qh6 25.Qh6+ (25.Qf6+!?) Nh6 26.Rf6 Kg7 27.Rd6 Nf7 28.Rd5 b6 29.Rf1 Be6 30.Rf7+ Kf7 31.Re5 Rh8** The middle game is over and now we have an interesting endgame in which I prefer the three pawns over the bishop. However, things are still unclear. **32.Rg5 Kf6 33.Rg3 b5 34.h3 a5 35.Rf3+ Ke5 36.b3!?** This seems to weaken the queenside and aid Black's plan of opening lines for his pieces. I think White should focus on the kingside with **36.Rg3** and only make pawn moves on the left side of his board when he absolutely has to. **a4 37.ba4 ba4 38.Rg3?!** White could have tried to slow down Black's queenside play, but instead commits himself to a very double-edged race. This is probably White's best choice in the position, and it is still unclear whether either side is winning. **Rb8 39.Rg5+ Kd6 40.h4 Rb2** At the time control, Mr. Fordon misses a very strong continuation. **40...Bb3! 41.Rg6+ Ke7 42.Rg5 Bc2** wins very nicely. This line is courtesy of CM6K. **41.h5 Rc2 42.h6 Rc1+ 43.Kh2 Rb1 44.h7 Rb8 45.Rh5 Rh8 46.Kg3 c4 47.dc4 Bc4 48.Kf2 Bf7 49.Rh6+ Kc5 50.g4 Kc4 51.g5 Kc3**



CM6K states that this position is even. While I think Black still has a slight edge, I would agree that it is beginning to look drawish. **52.g6?** White should probably try **52.e5!?**, but Black could still threaten to advance the king to d1 and push the pawn. This simplifies Black's task. **Bg6! 53.Rg6 Rh7 54.Rc6+ Kd2 55.Rc4 Rf7+ 56.Kg3 d3 57.e5 Ke3 58.e6 Re7 59.Rc6**

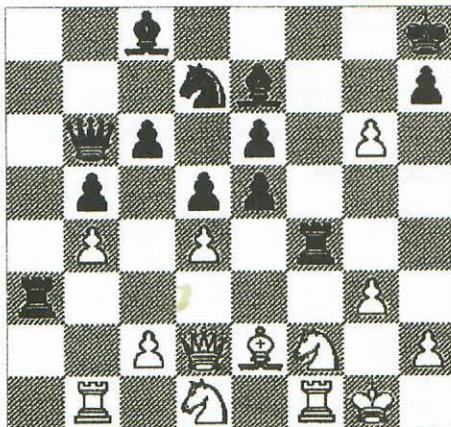
d2 60.Rd6 Ke2 And now that Black has made the second time control, **White resigned**. This game was fascinating from the very first moves to the very end. Incredibly, it was not the best game of the year.

1. Dr. Mikhail Ponomarev - Randy Canney Colorado

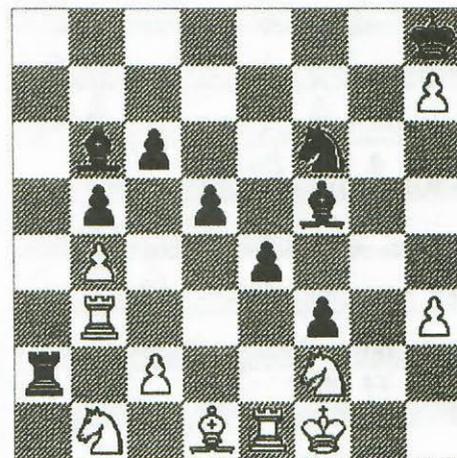
Closed, March 21st. Round 1. **QP:**

Veresov D01 I was not alone in considering the following game to be very special. CSCA President Buck Buchanan mentioned this (and some others) as a definite candidate, and it was described as the most exciting game in the Colorado Closed. This alone is high praise, as can be seen from Ginat-Ponomarev. Both contestants have been represented in other selections, and are past Colorado state champions. **1.d4 d5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.Bg5** Dr. P. plays his favorite opening, and Mr. Canney has come prepared. Most modern grandmasters recommend against having too narrow an opening repertoire. However, I think this applies only to those who plan to become chess professionals. Everyone else, masters included, can play a single system all their lives if they are so inclined. Of course, such a system should be sound and dynamic. I personally think the Colle is a little too rigid and passive to make a good system by itself. One should also stay away from the Latvian and other unsound gambits as a repertoire (although playing it occasionally as a surprise can be effective and fun)! Anyway, back to the game. **3...Nbd7 4.f3 c6 5.Qd2** Although White usually plays **5.e4** here, Randy could have easily guessed that he would see this position (in the Colorado Closed, as in most closed tournaments, the players know in advance what color they will have against which opponent). Randy has been known to play the French, so **4...c6** may have been somewhat surprising to Dr. P. **5... b5** And this is what he has prepared! This has actually been played before, most notably in 1993 in a game between Morozovich and Savon, which Morozovich won. **6.a3?!** **6.e4** looks more thematic, but the text was played in the minor game,

Maidla-Keskisarja at Espoo in 1996. (I'm not making that up! Maidla was a Fide Master, and Black won the game.) **6...Qa5** This is new. The other game continued **6...e5**. For some reason, neither side wants to occupy the center. **7.b4** I'm not sure how much I like this. Dr. P certainly saw that he is blocking the queenside, and is probably planning to attack the kingside. However, it is a very committal move which limits White's options perhaps even more than it limits Black's. **7... Qb6?!** The queen seems to belong on **c7** to support **e5**. **8.e4 e6!?** Black has a couple of other options. He may decide to attack on the queenside with **7...a5**. While such a sortie by itself is doomed, Black should be able to gain enough counterplay to justify it. The other plan, which looks more promising, is to play **7...de4** with the idea of eventual occupation of **e5** after weakening **e4**. It seems that he's in danger of being rolled off the board, but as I mentioned, Randy is comfortable in French types of positions such as this. However, Black will be cramped for some time yet. **9.e5 Ng8 10.Rb1 a5 11.Nh3 ab4 12.ab4 Ne7 13.Be7 Be7** Although White has a spatial advantage, Black has two bishops which will give him a long-term advantage. **14.Be2!?** **Ra3 15.f4 f6 16.Nf2 0-0 17.0-0 Kh8 18.Ncd1 g5!?** This is one of two thematic freeing methods for Black in French positions. The other way, **18...fe5**, may actually have been better. **19.fg5 fe5 20.g6 Rf4!?** Before I saw Black's plan, I thought this was a mistake. **20...Kg7** is a much simpler way to play, but then it would not have won the best game prize! **21.g3**

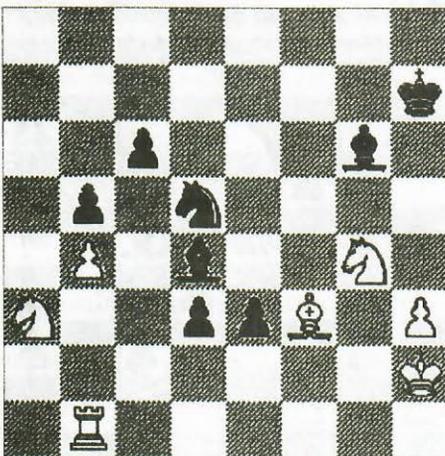


Qd4!? **22.Qc1 Ra2!?** If Black had made an oversight here, I would expect **22...Rff3** which would lose an exchange for a pawn. Instead, Randy sacs a whole rook for two pawns! French players know that two connected passed pawns in the center can often compensate for being a minor piece down, but a whole rook, when the pawns are not advanced? This is an impressive idea! **23.gf4 ef4 24.Rb3** It's hard to come up with any improvements for White here. CM6K suggests **24.Rb2** instead. While it is correct in sensing that an exchange of rooks will favor White, I don't think **24.Rb2** accomplishes much. **e5 25.Nc3 Ra8 26.Qd1!?** **Qd1** Normally, when one side has a material advantage exchanges help to simplify the task of winning the game. Black shows his faith in his idea, and does not flinch. **26...Qa7** would be the main alternative. **27.Rd1 Nf6 28.gh7 e4!** Mr. Canney is not so interested in regaining the **h7** pawn as increasing his spatial advantage. White is now beginning to feel cramped. **29.Re1 Bf5 30.Bd1 Bd8 31.h3** This may not be such a good idea. White should strive to free his pieces, and **31.Ne2** comes to mind. **31**. Looks like it might end up being a wasted tempo. **Bb6 32.Kf1 f3** White has been making sensible moves, and yet CM6K's evaluation has been creeping from a large White advantage to slightly favorable for White. **33.Nb1 Ra2**



34.Bf3! Dr. P. chooses the best moment to break up the pawns with a counter sac that has been in the air for several moves. **Rc2 35.Be2 d4 36.Rg3?!** CM6K claims

this is where White failed to capitalize. 36.Bd1 Ra2 37.Re2 Re2 38.Be2 d3 39.Bg4 Ng4 40.hg4 Bh7 is better than the text, but Black still has serious threats. **Kh7** Black finally takes the pawn, and in an ironic twist, CM6K which had been advocating taking the pawn for several moves, says that 36...d3!? may have been better. **37.Bg4 Bg6 38.Bd1 Rb2 39.Rb3 Ra2 40.Re2 Ra1!** The players have made the time control, but the position is still unclear. The metal beast still prefers White, saying that he's more than a pawn ahead (which in itself is impressive considering the material count), but I still like Black's chances to equalize. **41.Reb2!?** Now White forces the exchange of rooks, but at the cost of several tempi. **Nd5 42.Ra3 Ne3+ 43.Kg1** And for the first time since Black sacrificed the rook, CM6K thinks the position is equal. In fact it recommends Ke1, with a draw by repetition. **Ra3 44.Na3 d3 45.Kh2?!** Both sides are grappling with the difficult decision of whether the Knight on e3 is truly better than the bishop. Regardless, I don't think the king belongs over on this edge. **45.Bb3** was probably better. **Bd4 46.Rb1** Now the fickle beast is rooting for Black! **Nd5?!** But CM6K recommends 46...Nd1 **47.Nd1 e3 48.Ne3 Be3 49.Kg3 d2 50.Rf1 Bh5!** with an almost winning advantage. **47.Ng4 e3 48.Bf3**



d2?! And now, on the verge of an incredible victory, Mr. Canney stumbles. CM6K found the following line: 48...e2! 49.Kg3 Bb2!! 50.Kf2 Ba3, and Black should win. One of White's critical problems in these

lines is the fact that his king has lost touch with the central pawns. **49.Rh1** (49. Rb3!?) **Nb4 50.Kg3 Bd3 51.Nb1 Nc2 51...c5** is probably a better winning try. Although this was a first round game, both players were probably exhausted by now. **52.Rd1 c5 53.Nd2! ed2 54.Rd2 c4** and the players agreed to a **DRAW** because, as Richard Buchanan pointed out, White can force the draw by **55.Rd3 cd3 56.Be4+**. What an incredibly played game! Mr. Canney's sacrifice is absolutely stunning, and almost won the game! Dr. Ponomarev defended extremely well and fully deserved the split point. Congratulations to both players for the best game of 1998! **It's not too early to vote for the best games on 1999! Send nominations to: dpavery@kktv.com (or contact me at the address provided on page 2).**

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SOUTHERN COLORADO OPEN **REPORT by KEN SCHWARTZ**

The 1999 Southern Colorado Open was held on June 12-13 at the Radisson Inn - North in Colorado Springs. A total of 67 players participated: 38 in the Open Section, and 29 in the Reserve (U1600/Unr) Section. Of the event's \$1220 prize fund, \$720 was awarded in the Open, and \$500 was awarded in the Reserve. Player satisfaction was enhanced by the quiet, spacious, and well-lit tournament site.

In the Open Section, FM Renard Anderson scored 5.5 out of 6.0 to top a very strong field which included 11 players rated above 2000. Renard gave up his only half-point to 2nd place finisher Andy Rea (2097), whose outstanding 5.0 score featured a victory over SM Michael Mulyar. The Expert class prize was shared by Dan Avery (2073), Eric Billaux (2093), Leroy Hill (2096), and Philipp Ponomarev (2003), each with 4.0 points. Jeff Baffo (1890) took the Class A prize, also with a score of 4.0. The Class B prize was split by James McKenna (1731) and Josh Smith (1665), each with 3.5 points, while Nathan Stark (1448) and Larry Wutt (1485) both scored 3.0 to share the Class C prize.

In the Reserve Section, Bob Anderson (1576) and Nicholas Cox (1296) tied at 5.0 points for 1st and 2nd places. Nicholas defeated Bob in their 4th round encounter, but his run at a perfect score was stopped by Dan Cabrera (1495) in the 6th and final round. Kansas player Brian Coleman (1393) won the Class D prize with 4.5 points, while Allan Ufer (1148) scored 3.5 to capture the U1200/Unr prize.

The Chief TD of the 1999 Southern Colorado Open was Ken Schwartz, and the Assistant TD was Roy Heath. Dean Brown and Larry Wutt assisted with player registration. The officers of Southern Colorado Chess (Dean, Roy, Ken, and Larry) hope and intend to hold this tournament annually.

SOUTHERN COLORADO OPEN RESULTS**Open Section**

1	Anderson, Renard.....	2201	W 24	W 28	W 3	W 10	D 2	W 9	5.5
2	Rea, Andrew.....	2097	W 38	W 8	W 11	D 9	D 1	W 3	5.0
3	Hill, Leroy.....	2096	W 23	W 31	L 1	W 7	W 5	L 2	4.0
4	Billaux, Eric.....	2093	W 12	W 18	D 9	D 11	D 10	D 6	4.0
5	Ponomarev, Mikhail....	2231	W 15	L 6	W 20	W 14	L 3	W 10	4.0
6	Avery, Daniel.....	2073	W 37	W 5	L 10	W 13	D 9	D 4	4.0
7	Ponomarev, Philipp....	2003	W 29	L 11	W 25	L 3	W 19	W 18	4.0
8	Baffo, Jeffrey.....	1890	W 27	L 2	H---	W 25	W 28	H---	4.0
9	Wall, Brian.....	2221	W 22	W 14	D 4	D 2	D 6	L 1	3.5
10	Mc Mullan, Kirk.....	2119	W 32	W 21	W 6	L 1	D 4	L 5	3.5
11	Mulyar, Michael.....	2495	W 33	W 7	L 2	D 4	W 21	U---	3.5
12	Smith, Josh.....	1665	L 4	L 13	W 32	W 30	W 20	D 14	3.5
13	Schreiber, Edwin.....	1874	L 17	W 12	W 30	L 6	D 24	W 26	3.5
14	Zupa, Daoud.....	1953	W 34	L 9	W 27	L 5	W 29	D 12	3.5
15	Bihlmeyer, Joseph.....	1814	L 5	W 37	D 31	L 19	W 25	W 17	3.5
16	Mc Kenna, James.....	1731	H---	L 25	L 29	W 37	W 36	W 24	3.5
17	Wutt, Laurence.....	1485	W 13	L 20	L 21	W 23	W 33	L 15	3.0
18	Bloomer, Josh.....	1867	W 19	L 4	H---	D 24	W 31	L 7	3.0
19	Stark, Nathan.....	1448	L 18	W 38	D 22	W 15	L 7	H---	3.0
20	Clevenger, Chris.....	1893	D 25	W 17	L 5	D 29	L 12	W 30	3.0
21	Aandahl, Vance.....	1816	W 30	L 10	W 17	W 35	L 11	U---	3.0
22	Doykos, Kenneth.....	1800	L 9	W 34	D 19	L 28	W 27	H---	3.0
23	Hamilton, Doug.....	1684	L 3	L 30	W 34	L 17	W 37	W 29	3.0
24	Simmons, Andrew.....	1737	L 1	W 26	D 35	D 18	D 13	L 16	2.5
25	Robb, Morgan.....	1529	D 20	W 16	L 7	L 8	L 15	B---	2.5
26	Kern, Wolfgang.....	1615	L 28	L 24	D 38	W 32	W 35	L 13	2.5
27	Bartlow, Justin.....	1517	L 8	W 32	L 14	H---	L 22	W 31	2.5
28	Jex, Joshua.....	1918	W 26	L 1	H---	W 22	L 8	U---	2.5
29	Emery, Nicholas.....	1649	L 7	D 33	W 16	D 20	L 14	L 23	2.0
30	Kovach, Stephen.....	1427	L 21	W 23	L 13	L 12	W 34	L 20	2.0
31	Groves, Sean.....	1639	W 35	L 3	D 15	D 33	L 18	L 27	2.0
32	Fromme, Joseph.....	1719	L 10	L 27	L 12	L 26	B---	W 36	2.0
33	Langseth, Du Wayne....	1814	L 11	D 29	W 36	D 31	L 17	U---	2.0
34	Barber, Richard.....	1620	L 14	L 22	L 23	B---	L 30	W 37	2.0
35	Biggs, Barry.....	2003	L 31	W 36	D 24	L 21	L 26	U---	1.5
36	Weiss, Emanuel.....	1500	H---	L 35	L 33	W 38	L 16	L 32	1.5
37	Martinez, Norbert.....	1653	L 6	L 15	H---	L 16	L 23	L 34	0.5
38	Bagstad, Gary.....	1700	L 2	L 19	D 26	L 36	U---	U---	0.5

Reserve Section

1	Anderson, Robert.....	1576	W 17	W 10	W 4	L 2	W 6	W 5	5.0
2	Cox, Nicholas.....	1296	W 26	W 9	W 14	W 1	W 5	L 3	5.0
3	Cabrera, Daniel.....	1495	D 24	W 7	D 6	D 11	W 19	W 2	4.5
4	Coleman, Brian.....	1393	W 22	W 25	L 1	W 10	W 13	H---	4.5
5	Chandler, William.....	1266	W 7	W 27	W 13	W 19	L 2	L 1	4.0
6	Whittaker, Brit.....	1380	W 16	D 19	D 3	W 14	L 1	W 13	4.0
7	Anderson, Paul.....	1571	L 5	L 3	W 22	W 23	W 11	W 9	4.0
8	Aragon, Joseph.....	1275	W 29	L 13	W 25	L 15	W 16	W 14	4.0
9	Coyle, William.....	1432	W 12	L 2	H---	W 18	W 15	L 7	3.5
10	Brown, Dean.....	1375	W 21	L 1	W 12	L 4	D 20	W 19	3.5
11	Groves, Dan.....	1325	W 28	L 14	W 16	D 3	L 7	W 20	3.5
12	Ufer, Allan.....	1148	L 9	W 21	L 10	W 26	W 17	D 15	3.5
13	Needham, Tom.....	1400	W 18	W 8	L 5	W 20	L 4	L 6	3.0
14	Farrington, John.....	1557	W 20	W 11	L 2	L 6	W 24	L 8	3.0
15	Cabrera, Sean.....	1516	L 19	W 24	D 18	W 8	L 9	D 12	3.0

16	Doykos, Theodore.....	1083	L	6	W	17	L	11	W	27	L	8	W	24	3.0
17	Robb, James.....	1274	L	1	L	16	W	21	W	25	L	12	W	23	3.0
18	Weiss, Sophie.....	1138	L	13	W	28	D	15	L	9	D	23	W	21	3.0
19	Nickelson, Le Roy.....	1210	W	15	D	6	W	27	L	5	L	3	L	10	2.5
20	Coleman, Jack.....	1265	L	14	W	22	W	26	L	13	D	10	L	11	2.5
21	Frenzel, Gary.....	1063	L	10	L	12	L	17	W	22	W	26	L	18	2.0
22	O'Dell, Ray.....	1111	L	4	L	20	L	7	L	21	W	25	B---	2.0	
23	Hathorn, Larry.....	1111	L	27	W	29	H---	L	7	D	18	L	17	2.0	
24	Davies, Ann.....	1152	D	3	L	15	H---	X---	L	14	L	16	2.0		
25	De Witt, Jason.....	1060	B---	L	4	L	8	L	17	L	22	W	26	2.0	
26	Schneider, Kathy.....	641	L	2	B---	L	20	L	12	L	21	L	25	1.0	
27	Sabean, Steven.....	1397	W	23	L	5	L	19	L	16	U---	U---	1.0		
28	Karriem, Jennifer.....	817	L	11	L	18	B---	F---	U---	U---	U---	1.0			
29	Lopez, Joshua.....	unr	L	8	L	23	U---	U---	U---	U---	U---	0.0			

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ROUND 1

Ann Davies - Daniel Cabrera, Nimzoidian

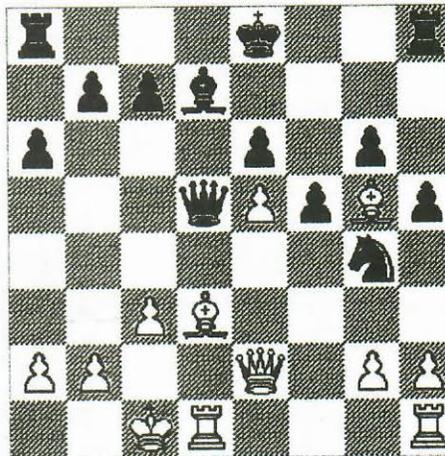
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Steven Sabean - Larry Hathorn, Roberts

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nf3 d6 4.Be3 Nc6 5. Nc3 e5 6.d5 Nce7 7.Be2 Nf6 8.0-0 0-0 9. h3 c6 10.Qd2 cxd5 11.exd5 Qa5 12.Nb5 Qxd2 13.Bxd2 Nfxd5 14.Nxd6 Rd8 15. Nc4 e4 16.Nfe5 Nb6 17.Nxb6 axb6 18. Bc3 Nd5 19.Rfd1 Be6 20.Bd4 Nb4 21.c3 Nc2 22.Rac1 Nxd4 23.cxd4 Bxe5 24.dxe5 Rxd1+ 25.Rxd1 Rxa2 26.Rd2 Ra1+ 27. Kh2 b5 28.Kg3 Bc4 29.Bxc4 bxc4 30. Rd4 b5 31.Rxe4 Rd1 32.Re2 Kg7 33.Kf4 h6 34.Ke3 Rd5 35.f4 g5 36.Ke4 Rd3 37. f5 Rb3 38.Kd5 c3 39.bxc3 Rxc3 40.Rb2 Rc8 41.Re2 b4 42.e6 Rd8+ 43.Kc6 fxe6 44.fxe6 b3 45.e7 Re8 46.Kd7 Kf7 47. Rf2+ 1-0

ROUND 2

Nicholas Cox - William Coyle, Stonewall
 1.d4 d5 2.e3 Nf6 3.c3 e6 4.Bd3 Nc6 5. Nd2 Bd6 6.f4 h5 7.Ngf3 Ng4 8.Qe2 Ne7 9.Ne5 f5 10.Ndf3 a6 11.Ng5 Bxe5 12. dxe5 g6 13.Bd2 Nc6 14.0-0-0 Ncx5 15. fxe5 Qxg5 16.e4 Qd8 17.exd5 Qxd5 18. Bg5 Bd7

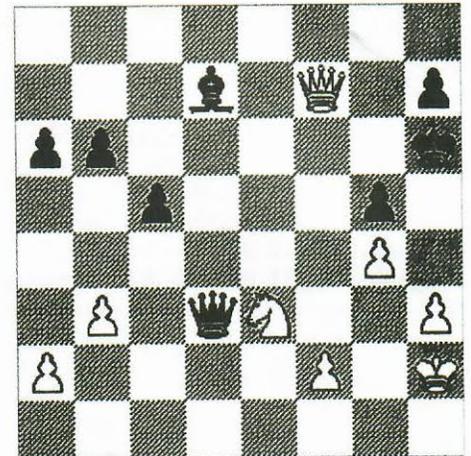


19.Bxf5 Qxe5 20.Bxg6+ Kf8 21.Rhf1+ Kg8 22.Bf7+ Kh7 23.Qd3+ Kg7 24. Qg6+ 1-0

Daniel Cabrera - Paul Anderson, Slav

1.d4 c6 2.c4 d5 3.e3 Nf6 4.Nc3 g6 5.Qc2 Bg7 6.Bd3 0-0 7.Nge2 Nbd7 8.Bd2 e5 9. Ng3 exd4 10.exd4 dxc4 11.Bxc4 Nb6 12. Be2 Qxd4 13.0-0 Be6 14.Rad1 Qd7 15. Bf4 Nfd5 16.Nxd5 Nxd5 17.Bf3 Qe7 18. Bd2 Rad8 19.Rfe1 Qf6 20.Bxd5 Rxd5 21.Bc3 Qd8 22.Rxd5 Bxd5 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Qc3+ Qf6 25.Qb4 b6 26.Re7 c5 27.Qe1 Ra8 28.b3 Be6 29.Rc7 a6 30.Rc6 Rb8 31.Qe2 Qa1+ 32.Nf1 Qd4 33.h3

Bd5 34.Rd6 Qe4 35.Ne3 Qb1+ 36.Kh2 Be4 37.Qg4 Bf5 38.Qg3 Rb7 39.Qg5 Be6 40.Qe5+ Kh6 41.g4 Rd7 42.Qf4+ g5 43.Rxd7 Bxd7 44.Qxf7 Qd3

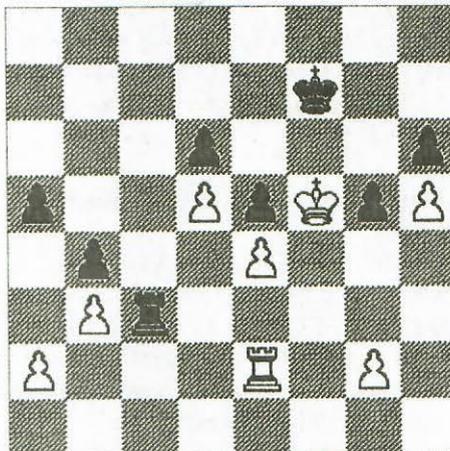


45.Qf6+ Qg6 46.Qf8+ Qg7 47.Qd6+ Qg6 48.Qxd7 Qf6 49.Nf5+ Kg6 50.Qe8+ Qf7 51.Qc6+ Qf6 52.Qe8+ Qf7 53. Qxf7+ Kxf7 54.Nd6+ Ke6 55.Nf5 b5 56. Kg3 Ke5 57.Kf3 c4 58.bxc4 bxc4 59.Ke3 a5 60.Ne7 a4 61.Nc6+ Kd5 62.Nb4+ Ke5 63.a3 h6 64.f3 c3 65.Kd3 Kf4 66.Kxc3 Kxf3 67.Nd5 Kg3 68.Kb4 Kxh3 69.Nf6 Kh4 70.Kxa4 h5 71.gxh5 g4 72.Nxg4 Kxh5 73.Ne5 Kg5 74.Kb5 Kf5 75.Nc6 Ke6 76.a4 Kd6 77.Kb6 Kd7 78.Kb7 Kd6 79.a5 Kd7 80.a6 Kd6 81.a7 Kd7 82.a8Q Kd6 83.Qd8+ Ke5 84.Qb6+ Kd6 85. Qb4+ Kd5 86.Qd4+ Ke6 87.Nb4 Kf5 88. Kc6 Ke6 89.Qd5+ Kf6 90.Kd6 Kg7 91. Qe6 Kh7 92.Ke7 Kg7 93.Qf6+ Kh7 94. Qg5 Kh8 95.Kf7 Kh7 96.Qg7# 1-0

Leroy Nickelson - Brit Whittaker, Robertsch

1.e4 g6 2.Nf3 Bg7 3.d4 d6 4.Nc3 c6 5. Bd2 Nf6 6.Bd3 0-0 7.0-0 Nbd7 8.Re1 e5 9.dxe5 Nxe5 10.Nxe5 dxe5 11.Qe2 Qc7 12.Rad1 Be6 13.Bc4 Bxc4 14.Qxc4 Rad8 15.Be3 a6 16.f3 b5 17.Qc5 Nd7 18.Qa3 a5 19.b4 Ra8 20.bxa5 Rfb8 21.Qd6 Qxa5 22.Qxc6 Nf6 23.Nd5 Ra6 24.Nxf6+ Bxf6 25.Qd5 Qxa2 1/2-1/2

Kf2 Re7 32.Kg3 Rf7 33.Rxf7+ Kxf7 34. Kg4 b5 35.Kg5 Kg7 36.h4 Rc3 37.h5 h6+ 38.Kg4 g5 39.Kf5 Kf7 40.Rf2 b4 41. Re2

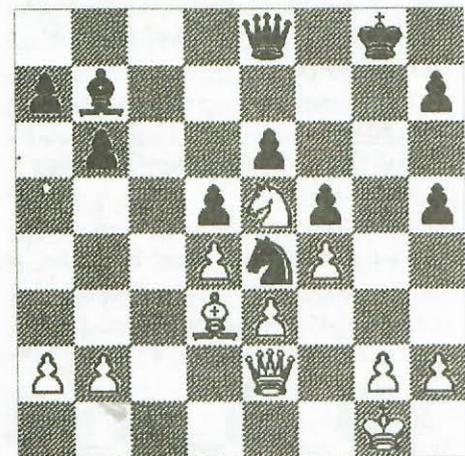


ROUND 3

Dan Groves - Theodore Doykos, Torre Attack

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Bg5 Nbd7 4.Nbd2 e6 5.e3 Be7 6.Bd3 b6 7.0-0 Bb7 8.Ne5 c5 9.c3 Ne4 10.Bxe7 Qxe7 11.Bb5 Nef6 12. f4 0-0 13.Ndf3 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nxe5 15. Nxe5 Ne4 16.Bd3 f5 17.Rc1 Rac8 18.Rf3 Rxc1 19.Qxc1 Rf6 20.Rh3 Qe8 21.Qd1 Rh6 22.Rxh6 gxh6 23.Qe2 h5

41...a4 42.bxa4 Ra3 43.Rc2 Rc3 44.Rb2 Rc1 45.Rxb4 Rf1+ 46.Kg4 Rf4+ 47.Kg3 Rh4 48.a5 Rxh5 49.a6 Rh4 50.a7 h5 51. a8Q Rg4+ 52.Kh2 Rh4+ 53.Kg1 Rg4 54. Rb7+ Kf6 55.Qh8+ Kg6 56.Qg7# 1-0

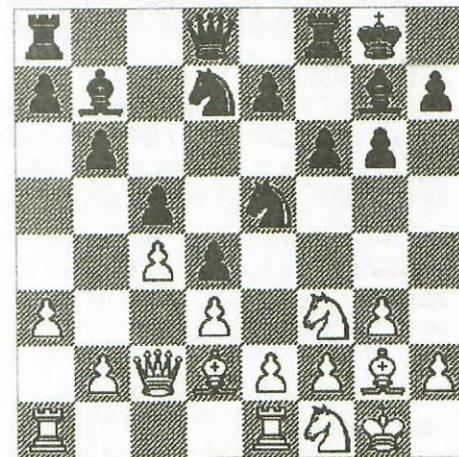


24.Bb5 Qe7 25.Qxh5 Nf6 26.Qh4 a6 27. Be2 Qf8 28.g4 fxg4 29.Bxg4 Nxg4 30. Nxg4 Kh8 31.Ne5 Qg8+ 32.Kf2 a5 33. Qe7 Qc8 34.Qf6+ Kg8 35.Qg5+ Kf8 36. Qh6+ Kg8 37.Qh5 Qf8 38.Qg4+ Kh8 39. Qxe6 Qg8 40.Qxb6 1-0

ROUND 4

Robert Anderson - Nicholas Cox, Reti

1.Nf3 g6 2.g3 Bg7 3.Bg2 Nf6 4.0-0 0-0 5. c3 e5 6.d3 d5 7.Nbd2 Nc6 8.Qc2 d4 9.c4 Rb8 10.Re1 b6 11.Nf1 Bb7 12.Bf4 Ra8 13.a3 Nd7 14.Bg5 f6 15.Bd2 Nce5



16.Nxe5 Bxg2 17.Nxd7 Bxf1 18.Nxf8 Bh3 19.Nxg6 hxg6 20.e4 dxe3 21.Bxc3 Qc7 22.f4 Qc6 23.Rad1 Rd8 24.Rd2 f5 25.b4 cxb4 26.axb4 a5 27.bxa5 bxa5 28. d4 Rc8 29.d5 Qxc4 30.Qxc4 Rxc4 31. Bb6 Bc3 32.Rc2 Bd4+ 33.Bxd4 Rxc2 34. Rxe7 Rg2+ 35.Kh1 Rd2 36.Bg1?? White

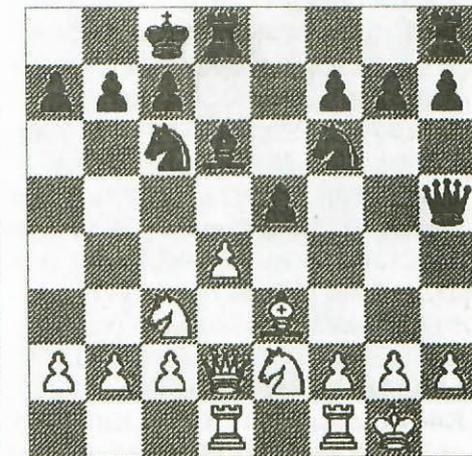
is still in the game after 36.Bc3, for exam- ple. 36...Bg2# 0-1

William Coyle - Sophie Weiss, King's Gambit Declined

1.e4 e5 2.d3 Bc5 3.f4 d6 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.c3 Nf6 6.f5 Bd7 7.Bg5 Qe7 8.Na3 h6 9.Bh4 0-0-0 10.b4 Bb6 11.Nc4 g5 12.fxg6 fxg6 13.Nxb6+ axb6 14.Be2 g5 15.Bf2 Qf7 16.0-0 Rdg8 17.Be3 g4 18.Nh4 g3 19.h3 Ne7 20.d4 Ng6 21.Nxg6 Qxg6 22.Bd3 h5 23.dxe5 dxe5 24.b5 h4 25.a4 Ne8 26.c4 Nd6 27.c5 bxc5 28.Bxc5 Kd8 29.a5 Ke7 30.b6 cxb6 31.axb6 Bc6 32.Bc2 Ra8 33. Rf5 Rxa1 34.Rxe5+ Kd7 35.Qxa1 Re8 36.Rxe8 Kxe8 37.Qe5+ Kd7 38.Qd4 Qe6 39.e5 Qe7 40.Qxd6+ Qxd6 41.Bxd6 Ke6 42.Kf1 Kf7 43.Bd1 Ke6 44.Bg4+ 1-0

Leroy Nickelson - William Chandler, Center Counter

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.d4 Bg4 4.Be2 Bxe2 5.Nxe2 Qxd5 6.0-0 Nc6 7.Nbc3 Qh5 8. Bf4 0-0-0 9.Be3 e5 10.Qd2 Bd6 11.Rad1



11...exd4 12.h3 dxe3 13.Qxe3 Rhe8 14. Qc1 Qh4 15.f4 Bc5+ 16.Kh1 Rxd1 17. Qxd1 Ng4 18.Qd5 Nf2+ 19.Kh2 Ng4+ 20.Kh1 Ne3 21.Qxf7 Re7 22.Qf8+ Nd8 23.Rf3 Qe1+ 24.Kh2 Nf1+ 25.Rxf1 Qxf1 26.Qf5+ Ne6 27.Qxh7 Bd6 28.g3 Qf2+ 29.Kh1 g5 30.f5 Rxh7 0-1

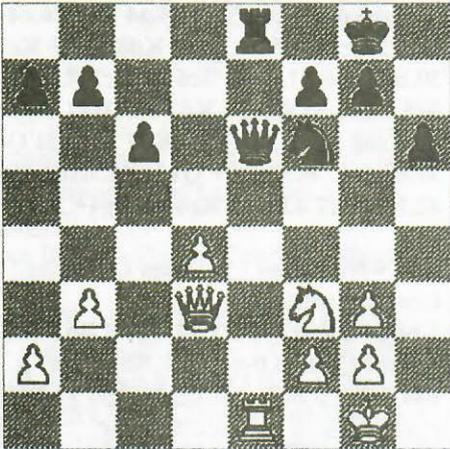
Dean Brown - Allan Ufer, Pirc

1.e4 g6 2.Nf3 Bg7 3.d4 Nf6 4.Nc3 0-0 5. Bc4 d6 6.0-0 Be6 7.Qd3 c6 8.d5 cxd5 9. Bxd5 Nxd5 10.Nxd5 Nc6 11.c3 Ne5 12. Nxe5 Bxe5 13.Bh6 Re8 14.f4 Bg7 15. Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Qd4+ f6 17.b3 Bf7 18.Ne3 e5 19.fxe5 fxe5 20.Qb4 b6 21.c4 Qg5 22. Nd5 Bxd5 23.cxd5 Qe3+ 24.Kh1 Qc5 25. Qe1 Rac8 26.Qe2 Qc2 27.Rae1 Qxe2 28. Rxe2 Rc3 29.Kg1 a5 30.Rf3 Rc1+ 31.

ROUND 5

Dan Groves - Paul Anderson, Queen's Pawn Game

1.d4 c6 2.Nf3 d5 3.Bg5 Qb6 4.b3 Nd7 5.e3 e6 6.Bd3 Ngf6 7.Nbd2 h6 8.Bh4 Bd6 9.Bg3 Qc7 10.e4 Bxg3 11.hxg3 e5 12.c3 exd4 13.cxd4 O-O 14.O-O Re8 15.Re1 dxe4 16.Nxe4 Nxe4 17.Rxe4 Rxe4 18.Bxe4 Nf6 19.Qd3 Be6 20.Nh4 Rd8 21.Bf5 Qd6 22.Bxe6 Qxe6 23.Nf3 Re8 24.Re1?



24...Qd5? Black misses a chance here for a nice combination. Black should play 24...Qxe1+ 25.Nxe1 Rxe1+ 26.Kh2 [Qf1 is better, although still losing - Mike] Ng4+ 27.Kh3 Nxf2+ 28.K-any Nxd3, winning a rook, a knight, a pawn, and a queen for a queen! 25.Rxe8+ Nxe8 26.Qe2 Nd6 27.Qe5 Qe6 28.Qxe6 fxe6 29.Kf1 Nb5 30.Ke1 Nc3 31.a4 b5 32.axb5 cxb5 33.Kd2 Ne4+ 34.Ke3 Nd6 35.Nd2 Kf7 36.b4 Ke7 37.g4 Nc4+ 38.Nxc4 bxc4 39.f3 Kd6 40.b5 Kc7 41.f4 Kb6 42.Kd2 Kxb5 43.Kc3 a5 44.f5 exf5 45.gxf5 h5 46.g3 a4 47.d5 a3 0-1

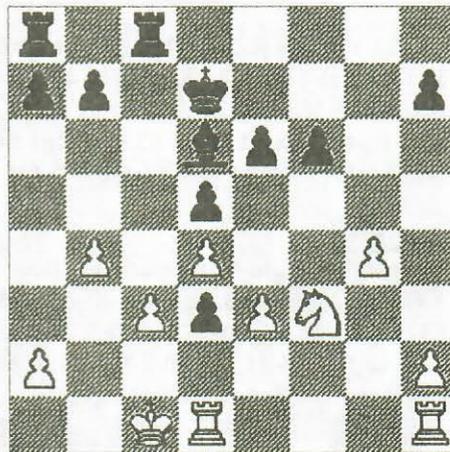
Brit Whittaker - Robert Anderson, Robatsch

1.e4 g6 2.Nf3 Bg7 3.d4 d6 4.Be3 c5 5.c3 b6 6.Nbd2 Nc6 7.Bb5 Bd7 8.Qa4 Qc7 9.d5 Nb8 10.0-0 a6 11.Bxd7+ Nxd7 12.Rac1 b5 13.Qc2 Ngf6 14.b4 Ng4 15.Bf4 0-0 16.Nb3 Rfc8 17.Na5 cxb4 18.Nc6 Kf8 19.cxb4 Nge5 20.Ng5 h5 21.Qb3 Nc4 22.Qf3 Nf6 23.e5 dxe5 24.Rxc4 bxc4 25.Nxe5 Qb7 26.Be3 Qxb4 27.Nd7+ Kg8 28.Nb6 Rab8 29.Nxc8 Rxc8 30.Bc1 c3 31.a3 Qd6 32.Rd1 Rc5 33.Ne4 Nxe4 34.

Qxe4 e6 35.a4 Rxd5 36.Rxd5 Qxd5 37.Qxd5 exd5 38.Kf1 f5 39.Ke2 Kf7 40.Kd3 Ke6 41.f4 Kd6 42.Ba3+ Kc6 43.Bb4 Kb6 44.Bxc3 Bxc3 45.Kxc3 Ka5 46.Kd4 Kxa4 47.Kxd5 Kb3 48.Ke6 a5 49.Kf6 a4 50.Kxg6 a3 51.Kxf5 a2 52.Kg6 a1Q 53.f5 Qh8 54.Kf7 Kc4 55.f6 Kd5 56.Ke7 Ke5 57.f7 Qf6+ 58.Ke8 Qe6+ 59.Kf8 Kf6 0-1

James Robb - Allan Ufer, Trompowsky Attack

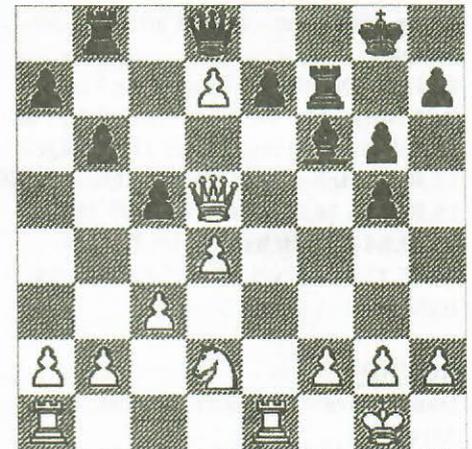
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20.Rxd3 Bxb4 21.Kb2 Bd6 22.g5 fxd5 23.Nxd5 h6 24.Nf7 h5 25.h4 Rf8 26.Nxd6 Kxd6 27.Rd2 Rf3 28.Re2 b5 29.Kb3 a5 30.a4 bxa4+ 31.Kxa4 Rff8 32.Rb1 Rfc8 33.Rb3 Rc4+ 34.Ka3 Ra6 35.e4 dxe4 36.Re3 Rac6 37.Rb5 Rxc3+ 38.Rxc3 Rxc3+ 39.Kb2 Rd3 40.Rxa5 Rxd4 41.Rxh5 Rd5 42.Rxd5+ exd5 43.Kc2 d4 44.Kd2 Ke5 45.Ke2 Kf5 46.Kd2 Kg4 0-1

Theodore Doykos - Joseph Aragon, Torre Attack

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.Bg5 Bg7 4.e3 0-0 5.Nbd2 d5 6.Bd3 b6 7.0-0 Ba6 8.Bxa6 Nxa6 9.c3 c5 10.Re1 Nc7 11.e4 Ne6 12.e5 Nxd5 13.Nxd5 Nd7 14.e6 f6 15.exd7 fxd7 16.Qg4 Bf6 17.Qe6+ Rf7 18.Qxd5 Rb8

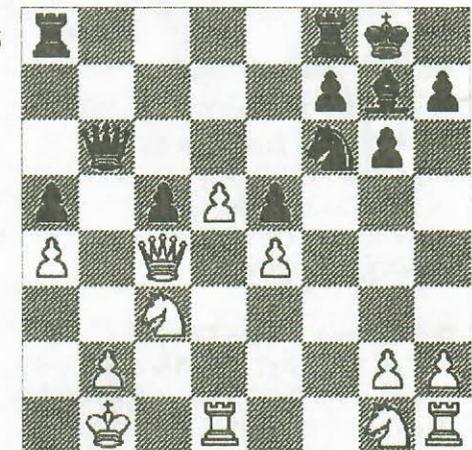


19.Qc6 White's best move here is 19.Ne4! threatening 20.Nxf6+, and if 20...exf6 then 21.Re8+ wins the queen. cxd4 20.cxd4 Bxd4 21.Rac1 Bxf2+ 22.Kf1 Bxe1+ 23.Kxe1 e6 24.Qxe6 Kg7 25.Rc8 Re7 26.Qxe7+ Qxe7+ 27.Kd1 Qxd7 28.Rxb8 Qd5 29.Re8 Qxa2 30.Re7+ Kh6 31.g4 Qxb2 32.Ne4 Qb3+ 33.Ke2 Qb2+ 34.Kf3 Qa3+ 0-1

ROUND 6

Daniel Cabrera - Nicholas Cox, King's Indian

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Be2 0-0 6.f4 e5 7.fxe5 dxe5 8.d5 Nbd7 9.Be3 b6 10.Qd2 Bb7 11.0-0-0 c6 12.Kb1 cxd5 13.cxd5 Nc5 14.Bxc5 bxc5 15.Bc4 a5 16.a4 Ba6 17.Qd3 Bxc4 18.Qxc4 Qb6



19.Nb5 Ng4 20.Rd2 Bh6 21.Re2 Ne3 22.Qc3 c4 23.Nf3 Rad8 24.Rhe1 Nxd5 25.exd5 Rxd5 26.Rxe5 Bg7 27.Qxc4 Rxe5 28.Nxe5 Qf6 29.Nc3 Re8 30.Nf3 Rb8 31.Re3 Rxb2+ 32.Kxb2 Qb6+ 33.Kc2 Qxc3

34.Qc8+ Bf8 35.Qd8 Qf2+ 36.Qd2 Qc5
37.Qd4 Qf5+ 38.Kb3 Bb4 39.Nd2 Bc5
40.Qd5 Qxd5+ 41.Nxd5 Bg1 42.h3 Kg7
43.Kc4 h6 44.Kb5 Bf2 45.Nb3 f5 46.
Nxa5 g5 47.Nc4 h5 48.Ne5 g4 49.Nd3
Bg3 50.a5 gxh3 51.gxh3 Bh2 52.N5f4
Bg1 53.a6 h4 54.Nc5 1-0

Open Section Games

By Dan Avery

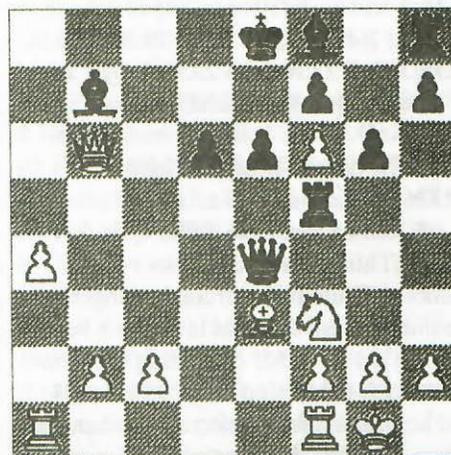
Round 1

Ken Doykos-Brian Wall Irregular Opening 1.Nf3 d6 2.d4 g6 3.c4 Bg7 4. Be2 c6 5.Be3 Qb6 6.Qc1 Nf6 7.Nc3 Ng4 8.0-0 e5 9.d5 Ne3 10.Qe3 Qe3 11.fe a5 12.a4 Bh6 13.Kf2 Nd7 14.Rad1 Ke7 15. Bc4 Nb6 16.Bb3 cd! (Fixing and isolating the doubled e-pawns permanently by tactical means. Mr. Wall clearly demonstrates why doubled pawns are weak in this game.) 17.Nd5 Nd5 18.Rd5 Ra6 19.Rfd1 Be6 20.Rb5 b6 21.Be6 fe6! (Taking on doubled pawns of his own, but there is a qualitative difference because Black threatens to blow open the center, and White will have weaknesses on both sides of the board to contend with.) 22.Rd3 Rc8 23.Rc3 Rc3 24.bc3 Kd7 25.Ke2 Kc6 26.Kd3 Ra7 27.Ke2 Kc6 28.Nd2 Bg5 29. Nc4 Rb7?! (29...Bd8 is better, and Mr. Wall corrects this slight inaccuracy a few moves later.) 30.Kd3 Bf6 31.Kd3 Bd8 32. Kd3 Re7 33.Ke2 Bc7 34.g3 Rf7 35.Nd2 (While the White knight looks more active than the Black bishop, it has no targets, and so the long term chances lie with the bishop.) g5 36.Nf3 g4 37.Nd2 h5! (with less than seven minutes on the clock, Brian finally finds a way to break through Mr. Doykos' tough defense.) 38.Nc4 Rh7 39.Nd2 h4 40.Nf1 d5 41.ed5+ ed5 42.e4! de4 43.Ke3 hg 44.hg Rh1 45.Nd2 Re1+! (White must lose material now.) 46.Kf2 Rc1 47.Ne4 Rc2+ 48.Ke3 Ra2 49.Nf6 Ra4 And with less than a minute left on his clock, Mr. Doykos played 50.Nd8 Kb5 and White resigned 0-1.

Doug Hamilton-Leroy Hill Irregular FRENCH 1.e4 e6 2.Nf3 b6 3.d4 d5! 4. Bd3 Ba6 5.Nc3 Bb4 (I prefer Bd3 right away, but Leroy has another plan in

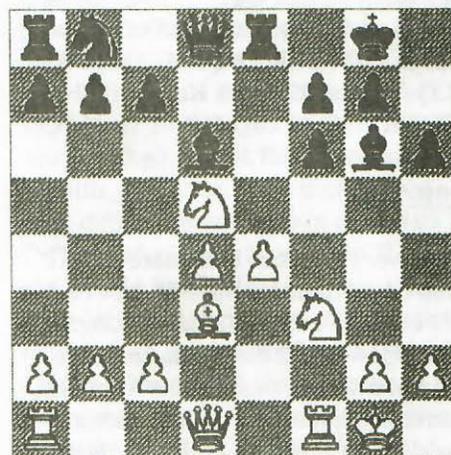
mind.) 6.ed5 ed5 7.Ba6 Na6 8.Bd2 Bc3 9.Qe2+ Qe7 10.Qe7+ Ne7 11.Bc3 0-0 (Mr. Hamilton has successfully simplified the position, and even has a slight edge. However, higher rated players usually do very well in these quiet positions because they seem to have a better understanding of where the pieces belong.) 12.0-0 Rfe8 13.Rfe1 f6 14.a3 Nf5 15.h3 Nd6 16.b3 c6!? 17.Kf1 Kf7 18.Bd2 g5 19.g4 Re4 20.Re2 Rae8 21.Rae1 Kg6 22.c3 Nc7 23. Be3 h5 24.Nd2 Re7 25.Nf3?(apparently hoping for Re4, with a draw by repetition in sight.) hg4 26.hg4 Re4 27.Nh2 (John Watson has said that the difference in players' strength shows up most starkly in how they handle their minor pieces. Here, Black's knights are filled with potential energy while White's minor pieces are passively waiting to be traded off.) a5 28. f3 R4e7 29.a4 f5?! (This actually gives both sides great outposts for their knights.) 30.gf5+ Nf5 31.Kf2 b5? (This is premature. Now White can gain a great outpost, with gain of tempo.) 32.Ng4! Ra8?! 33. Rg1 (33.Ne5+! would be simpler, but White sees a way to increase his pressure.) Ne6 34.Bd2 ba4 35.ba5 c5! 36.dc5 Nc5 37.Ne5+?? Re5 38.Rg5+ Kf6 39.Re5 Nd3+ 40.Kg2 Ne5 41.f4 Nf7 42.Rg4 Re8! (Rb8 looks even better!) 43.Kf3 Re4 44.c4 Rc4 45.Ba5 Ra4 46.Be1 Ra3+ 47.Ke2 d4 48.Bd2 d3+ 49.Kf3 N7d6 50. Rg1 Nd4+ 51.Ke3 Nc2+ 52.Kf3 Nc4 53. Rg2 Nd2 54.Rd2 Kf5 55.Kg3 Nd4 56. Rb2 Ne2+ 0-1

Eric Billaux-Josh Smith Irregular SICILIAN ACCELERATED DRAGON. 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 g6 3.d4 cd4 4.Qd4!? Nf6 5. Bb5 a6?! 6.e5!?! ab5 7.ef6 e6 (7...ef6 opens the efile to devastating effect. White can simply castle and be much better.) 8.Nc3 Nc6 9.Qf4 b4 10.Nb5 d6 11.0-0 Ra5 12.Nbd4 Qb6 13.Nc6 Qc6 14. Qb4 b6 15.Be3 Bb7 Eric said that Black was actually slightly better out of the opening. Perhaps Josh could improve here with 15...Rb5. 16.a4 Rf5 17.Qb6 Qe4



18.Qc7! Rf6 19.Bg5 Bg7 20.Qd6! h6 21. Rad1 Bd5 22.Bf6 Bf6 23.Rfe1 1-0

Philipp Ponomarev-Nick Emery Queen Pawn-VERESOV. 1.d4 Nf6 2.Nc3 d5 3. Bg5 Bf5! 4.f3 h6 5.Bf6 ef6 6.e4 de4?! 7. fe4 Bg6 8.Nf3 Bb4 9.Bd3 0-0 10.0-0 Re8 11.Nd5 Bd6



12.e5! Bd3 13. Qd3 fe5 14.de5 Be5? 15. Ne5 Re5 16.Nf6+ Qf6 17.Rf6 gf6 18. Qd8+ (Now there are many ways to win.) Kg7 19.Rf1 Re6 20.Qc8 a5 21.Rf3 f5 22. Rg3+ Kf6 23.Qd8+ Re7 24.Qh8+ (24. Re3?! Nc6! is too interesting.) Kc6 25. Re3+ Kd7 26.Re7 Ke7 27.Qe5+ Kd8 28. Qh8+ Ke7 29.Qc8 1-0

Sean Groves-Barry Biggs Irregular Opening. 1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.Bg5 Bg7 4.e3 c5 5.c3 0-0 6.Nbd2 cd4 7.ed4 d5 8. Bd3 Nc6 9.0-0 Qc7 10.Re1 Re8 11.Bh4 Nh5 12.Qb3 e6 13.Nf1 Na5 14.Qc2 Nc4

15.Ng3 Nf4 16.Nf1 Nd3 17.Qd3 Nb2??
18.Qb5! Bd7 19.Qb2 Rac8 20.Rac1 Bc6
21.Bg3 Qe7 22.Ne5 h6 23.Ne3 Qg4 24.
Nc4 b6 25.Qa3 Re7 26.Nf3 1-0

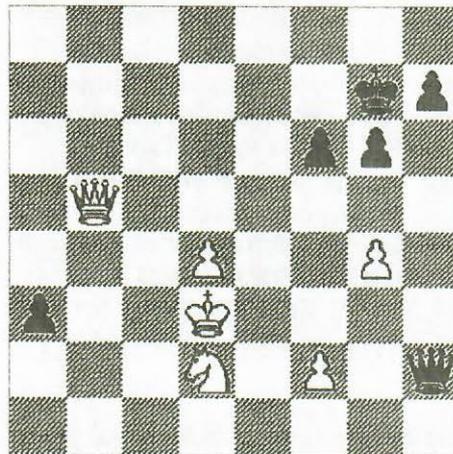
Chris Clevenger-Morgan Robb

**FRENCH Advanced Variation 1.e4 e6 2.
d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.
Bd3?!** (This initiates the Milner-Barry
Gambit. While it is extremely dangerous,
I cannot believe that this is White's best
option.) **Bd7 7.de5!?** (Avoiding the gam-
bit line 7.0-0 cd4 8.cd4 Nd4 9.Nd4 Qd4,
and hoping to use his pieces to occupy the
center, but this leaves a very bad impres-
sion. It seems that White is mixing up
systems here.) **Bc5 8.0-0 f6 9.Qe2 0-0-0!?**
**10.b4 Be7 11.Be3 Qc7 12.ef6 Nf6 13.
Nbd2 e5 14.b5 Na5 15.b6!?** ab6 **16.Rab1
Bc5! 17.Bc5 bc5 18.Qe5 Rhe8 19.Qg5
Bg4 20.h3 h6 21.Qh4 Bf3 22.Bf5+ Kb8
23.Nf3 Nc4 24.Bd3 Ne5 25.Ne5 Qe5 26.
Rfe1Qc3 27.Qg3+ Ka8 28.Re8 Re8 29.
Qg7 Re1+ 30.Re1 Qe1+ 31.Kh2 Qe5+
32.Kg1 c4 33.Qf8+ Ka7 34.Qa3+ Kb6
35.Bc2 Qe1+ 36.Kh2 Qf2 37.Qb4+ Kc7
38.Qe7+ Kb6 39.Qb4+ Kc7 40 Qe7+
DRAW.**

Round 2

**Dan Avery-Mikhail Ponomarev QGD
Semi-Slav Exchange 1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.
Nc3 c6 4.cd5 ed5 5.Nf3 Bd6!?** **6.Bg5?! f6
7.Bh4 Qb6 8.Qc2 Ne7** (I realized here
that I had made a mistake, but found an
interesting continuation which sacs a
pawn for development.) **9.e3 Bf5 10.Bd3!
Bd3 11.Qd3 Qb2** (Dr. P spent more than
ten minutes, pursed his lips and took the
pawn. If Black wants to get any advantage
out of this position, I think taking is
forced. Otherwise, White will improve his
position without any material loss.) **12.
Rb1 Qa3 13.Rb3 Qa5 14.0-0 Qc7!?** **15.
Rc1** (Perhaps White's play over the last
few moves could be criticized as being too
straightforward, but I certainly have com-
pensation for the pawn here.) **Qd7 16.Qb1
b5 17.e4 de4 18.Ne4 0-0 19.a4!** (I love
this move! I attack the kingside by push-
ing the most distant pawn I could find!
This move guarantees White material

equality and some initiative.) **Bf4 20.Re1
Ng6 21.ab5 Nh4 22.Nh4 Qd5 23.bc6 Nc6
24.Rb5 Qf7 25.Rb7 Qh5 26.Nf3 Rab8
27.Qb3+** (I offered a draw here, even
though Dr. P had only fifteen minutes left
to my 40 minutes.) **Kh8 28.Ng3 Rb7 29.
Qb7 Qd5 30.Nf5! Rg8 31.Re8 Qf5 32.
Qc6 Qb1+ 33.Re1 Qb6! 34.Qe4!** (Once
queens get traded, Black has a huge end-
game advantage due to his outside passed
pawn and better minor piece.) **Bd6 35.
Nh4 g6** (Dr. P instantly parried the nasty
threat of 36.Ng6+ followed by Qh4#, but
weakened his kingside.) **36.g3 a5! 37.Rb1**
(Starting a bad plan. I should focus on the
a pawn. Now Dr. P is close to winning the
game. Unfortunately, he is running out of
time, while I still have about twenty-three
minutes left.) **Qd8 38.Rb7 Rg7 39.Rb5 a4
40.Rd5? a3 41.Qc2 Qa8 42.Qa2 Rc7 43.
Kf1 Rc1+ 44.Kg2 Rc2 45.Qc2** I stopped
writing down the moves in this losing po-
sition, but we reached the following posi-
tion with Dr. P's flag teetering:



**1....a2 2.Qe7+ Kh6? 3. Qf8+ Kg5 4.
Nf3+Kg4 5.Nh2+ Kh3 6.Qc8+? Kh2 7.
Qa6 Kg2 8.Qa2 f5 9.Ke3 Kh3 10.f4 h6
11.Kf3 1-0**

**Kirk McMullan-Vance Aandahl PET-
ROV'S DEFENSE 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.
Ne5 d6 4.Nf3 Ne4 5.d4 d5 6.Bd3 Nc6
7.0-0 Be7 8.c4 Nb4 9.Be2 Be6 10.Nc3 0-
0 11.Bf4 Re8 12.a3 Nc3 13.bc3 Nc6 14.
c5 Na5 15.Bd3 Nc4 16.Bc2 c6 17.Qb1 b6
18.Bh7 Kf8 19.Bd3 bc 20.Bc4 dc4 21.
Qh7 f6 22.Bh6! gh6 23.Nh4 Bf7 24.Nf5
1-0**

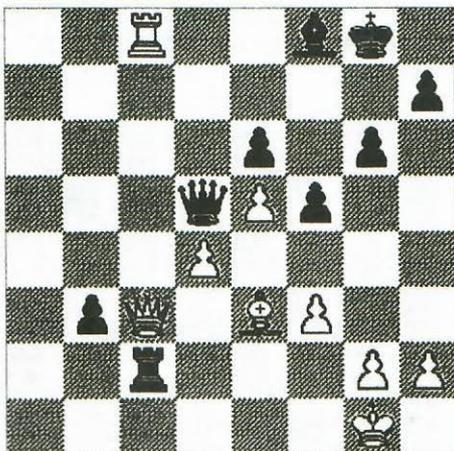
**Jeff Baffo-Andy Rea EVANS GAMBIT
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4!?** (I
love playing through these romantic gam-
bit lines. They are far too interesting for
me ever to play them though.) **Bb4 5.c3
Ba5 6.Qb3** (This is a very unusual con-
tinuation. White normally plays 6.d4)
Qe7 7.d4 Nd4 8.Nd4 ed4 9.0-0 d3 (This
move is thematic in the 6.d4 lines, but
here I think 9.dc3 may actually be better.
For instance, 10.Ba3 Qf6 11.e5 was con-
sidered unclear, but most likely equal by
Unzicker in the obscure game, Opl-
Vokroj, 1978.) **10.Bd3 Bh6 11.Ba3 d6 12.
Nd2 Be6 13.Qc2 Qf6 14.Bb2 Ne7 15.Nf3
Nc6 16.Bb5 0-0 17.Bc6 bc6 18.a4 Rab8
19.Nd4 Bc4 20.Rfe1 d5 21.e5 Qg6 22.
Qd2 Bd4 23.cd4 Rb3 24.Ra3 R8b8 25.
Rb3 Rb3 26.Bc3 h5 27.h4 Ra3 28.a5
Ra2 29.Qe3 Bd3 30.e6 Be4 31.ef7+ Kf7
32.Qf4+ Kg8 33.g3 Qg4 34.Qg4** (Jeff of-
fered a draw here. As an aside, GM Peter
Svidler told me that the professionals
would never consider offering a draw in
an inferior position unless there were miti-
gating circumstances, such as the oppo-
nent was very low on time (which may be
the case here). This is a bit of chess man-
ners which Bobby Fischer once broke
against Petrosian in 1958. He said he did-
n't realize it was bad etiquette in *My Sixty
Memorable Games*. It is still apparently
considered to be a firm unwritten rule.)
**hg4 35.Rc1 Kf7 36.Kf1 Ke6 37.Kg1 Kd7
38.Be1 Kc8 39.Bb4 Ra4 40.Bc3 g6 41.
Ra1 Rc4 42.Ra3 c5 43.dc5 d4! 44.Bd2
Rc5 45.Ra1 Rc2 46.Bf4 Kb7 47.Re1 Bg4
48.Re5 d3 49.h5 d2 50.Bd2 Rd2 51.h6
Rd7 0-1**

**Josh Bloomer-Eric Billaux SICILIAN
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cd4 4.Nd4 Nf6
(Black is already making a very committal
move!) 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Ndb5 d6 7.Bf4 e5 8.
Bg5 a6 9.Na3 b5** I prefer 9...Be6 here,
hoping to transpose into Petrosian's game
against Fischer in the famous candidates
match of 1971. Karpov suggested that it
was very good for Black in *The Semi-Open
Game in Action* (1988) saying "[i]t seems
that this variation has not been played
since then." (p.1) Of course, the opinion of
two world champions has no effect on my

evaluation of the move. Eric follows the mainline Sveshnikov. 10.Bf6 gf6 11.Nd5 f5 12.Bd3 Be6 13.0-0 Bd5 14.cd5 Ne7 15.Nb5 Bg7!? 16.Nc3 e4 17.Bc4 Qa5 18. Qd2 0-0 19.Ne4? (This looks attractive, but is refuted by Eric's very next move.) Qc7! 20.Nd6 Qd6 21.c3 Ng6 22.Be2 Be5 23.g3 f4 24.Rac1 Kh8 25.c4 fg3 26.fg3 Bg3! 27.hg3 Qg3+ 28.Kh1 Qh4+ 29.Kg2 Rg8! 30.Kf3 Rae8 31.Qc3+ f6 32.Bd3 Qf4 33.Kg2 Ne5 0-1 A beautiful finish by Mr. Billaux!

ROUND 3

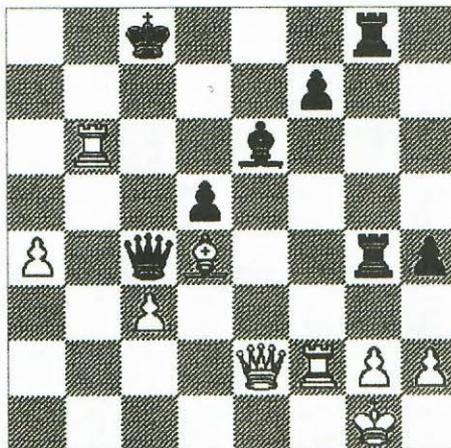
Andy Rea-Michael Mulyar GRUNFELD EXCHANGE 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3. Nc3 d5 4.cd5 Nd5 5.e4 Nc3 6.bc3 Bg7 7. Bc4 e5 8.Ne2 0-0 9.0-0 cd4!? 10.cd4 Nc6 11.Be3 Bg4 12.f3 Na5 13.Bd3 (Avoiding the Seville Gambit initiated by Karpov. In this game, Black has thrown in the exchanges on d4, which may make the gambit dubious. 13.Bf7+ is messy, and I honestly don't know the current theoretical state of affairs of this line.) Be6 14.Qa4!? a6 15.Rad1 b5 16.Qa3 Nc4 17.Bc4 Bc4 18.Rfe1 e6 19.Nc1 a5 20.Qb2 f5 21.e5 Qd5 22.Ne2 Be2 23.Re2 Rfc8 24.Rc1 b4 25.Rec2 Rc2 26.Rc2 Bf8 27.Rc7!? a4 28. Qc1 b3 29.ab3 ab3 30.Qc3 Ra2 31.Rc8 Rc2?? Although this is a terrible move, Andy was probably very low on time (judging from the state of his score sheet at least) and could easily have missed the winning shot.



32.Bh6! Kf7 33.Rf8+ Ke7 34.Qb4+ Kd7 35.Rf7+ Kc8 36.Rf8+ Kd7 37.Qa4 Kc7

38.Qa7 Kc6 39.Rb8! Qd7 40.Rb6+ 1-0

Renard Anderson-Leroy Hill Irregular FRENCH (Does Leroy play any "regular" openings?) 1.e4 e6 2.d4 a6?! 3.Nf3 d5! 4. e5 c5 5.c3 Qb6 6.a3 (Mr. Anderson is content to transpose into a line of the advanced variation in which ...a6 is a normal move. I would have been more interested to see White try a more classical line in order to take advantage of Black's unusual move order. Mr. Hill told me afterwards that he played this way because he was fairly sure Renard would play into a "normal" line.) Bd7 7.b4 cd4 An interesting alternative is ...cb4 8.ab4 Bb5!? when White's normal continuation, c4 loses. 8. Nd4! Nc6 9.f4 Nge7 (9...g5 already could be considered!) 10.Be3 Nd4 11.Bd4 Qc7 12.a4 Nf5 13.Bf2 h5?! 14.Bd3 g5 15.0-0 gf4 16.Bf5 ef5 17.Bd4 Be6 18.Rf4 a5 19. Na3 Be7?! 20.Nb5 Qd8 21.Qe1 h4 22. Nd6+! Bd6 23.ed6 Qd6 24.Rf5 0-0-0 25. Rf2 Rhg8 26.ba5 Rg4 27.Rb1 Rdg8 28. Rb6 Qc7 29.a6 ba6 30.Ra6 Qb7 31.Rb6 Qc7 32.Qe2! Qc4



33.Re6!! (This turns a small advantage into an insurmountable one!) fe6 34.Qe6+ Kb8 35.Rb2+ Ka8 36.Qf7 (White is definitely winning this, but Leroy has earned a reputation as a particularly wily defender in lost positions.) Rg2+ 37.Rg2 Rg2+ 38. Kg2 h3+ (I don't see anything for Black after 39.Kh3.) 39.Kg1?! Qa4 40.Qd5+ Kb8 41.Qd8+ Kb7 42.Qe7+ Kc8 43. Qe6+ Kb7 44.Qh3 Qd1+ (If Black had any time to think, he probably would have resigned here.) 45.Qf1 Qh5 46.Qb1+

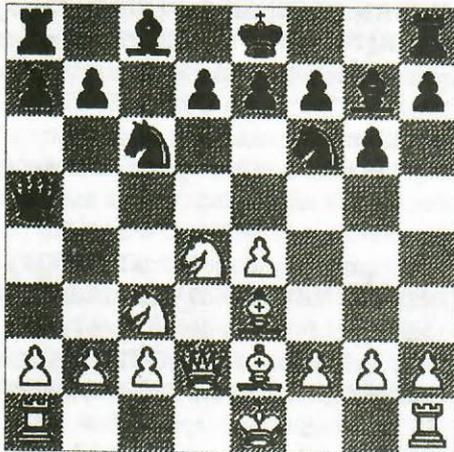
Kc8 47.Qe4 Qg5+ 48.Kf2 Qh5 49.Kg3 Qd1 50.Qg4+ 1-0

Phil Ponomarev-Morgan Robb 1.d4 Nf6 2.Nc3 b6 3.e4 d6 4.Bc4 Bb7 5.Qe2 e6 6. d5 ed5 7.ed5+ Be7 8.Nf3 0-0 9.0-0 Qd7?! 10.Re1 Re8 11.Bg5 Qf5? 12.Bd3 Qd7 13.Bf6 gf6 14.Nd4 h6 15.Nf5 Kf8 Qg4 1-0

Vance Aandahl-Larry Wutt KING'S INDIAN DEFENSE 1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.c4 Bg7 4.Nc3 d6 5.e4 Bg4?! (For some reason, this is a popular idea among class players. This bishop is the pride of Black's minor pieces, and yet he seems eager to trade it off as soon as possible. I don't really understand this, but as a regular proponent of the White side of this line, I am happy to see it!) 6.Be2 Bf3? 7. Bf3 Nbd7 8.0-0 c5 9.d5 Ne5? 10.Be2! 0-0 11.Rb1 (11.f4! looks devastating.) a5 12. Be3? Qd7 13.h3 Qc8 14.Qd2 b6 15.Bh6 Qa6 16.Bg7 Kg7 17.b3 Qb7 18.Rbe1?! (18.Rbd1 seems more appropriate. Imagine the position after Black's 22nd move with a rook on d1 instead of e1.) Rad8 19.f4 Ned7 20.Bf3 Qb8 21.Qe2?! e5 22. de6 fe6 23.g3 Rf7 24.Rd1! (Courageously admitting his error. This is one of the most difficult things to do in chess.) e5 25. Qd2 ef4 26.gf4 Nf8 27.e5! Nh5?! 28.Bh5 gh5 29.ed6 Ne6 30.f5 Nd4! (Now that Larry's back is against the wall, he starts playing with much more force!) 31. Qg5+? This natural check winning a pawn gives Black too much counterplay on the g-file. Kh8 32.Qh5 Rg7+ 33.Kh1 Qd6 (I rather liked 33....Qa8+ 34.Nd5 Rd6 threatening Rd5.) 34.Nd5 Rdg8 35. Nf4 Qc6+36.Nd5 Rg5 37.Qh4 Ne2 (37... Nf5, which seems to win an exchange and a pawn, looks much better.) 38.Rf2 Ng3+ 39.Kh2 Nf5 40.Qf4 Qg6? 41.Qe5+! Ng7 42.Qb2 Qd6+ 43.Kh1 Qg3 44.Nf4 Qe3 45.Qe2 Nf5 46.Qe3 Ne3 47.Re1Nf5 48. Rg2 Rg2 49.Ng2 Nd4 (And here, the players could have agreed to a draw. Instead, they decided to play on.) 50.Nf4 Rg3 51.Kh2 Rf3 52.Nd5 Rf2+ 53.Kg3 Ra2 54.Nb6 Nb3 55.Re5 Rd2 56.Re3 Nd4 57.Kf4 Re2 58.Na4! Re3 59.Ke3 Ne6 And despite being a pawn ahead here,

Black lost, apparently on time. Larry had a great tournament, and this wonderful struggle against a veteran player like Vance shows some of his potential! 1-0

Joe Fromme-Josh Smith ADVANCED SICILIAN DRAGON 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 g6 3.d4 cd4 4.Nd4 (4.Qd4, as Eric Billaux played, still looks very strong for White here.) Bg7 5.Be3 Nf6 6.Nc3 Nc6 7.Be2?! Qa5 8.Qd2

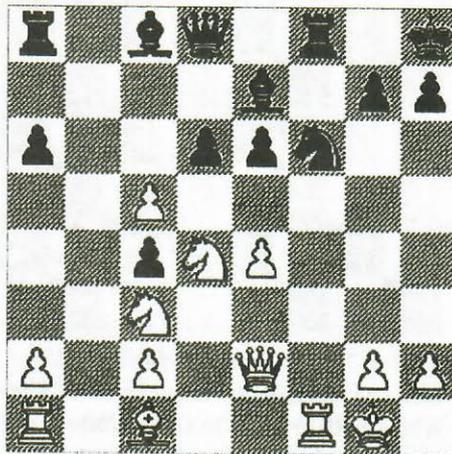


Ne4! 9.Nc6 Qc3! 10.Qc3 Bc3+?! (played with less than a minute's thought (after a ten minute think by Joe). 10..Nc3 would have been very strong. For instance, 11. Bd4 Bd4 12.Nd4 Ne2 13.Ke2, and Black will soon have the bishop activated, a pawn advantage, and no weaknesses in a quiet position. Now, White will have more pieces on the board, and better chances to confuse the issues.) 11.bc3 bc6 (11..dc6 may have been even better!) 12. Bd4 0-0 13.Rb1 d6 14.f3 Nf6?! 15.c4? This just does not make sense in connection with trading off the dark squared bishop. Now all Black has to do is trade off the rooks, and his game is easily won. c5 16.Bf6 ef6 17.Kf2 Ba6 18.Rhe1 Rfe8 19.g3 Re6 20.c3 Rae8 21.Bd3? d5 22. Bf1 Re1 23.Re1 Re1 24.Ke1 Bc4 25.Bc4 dc4 26.Kd2 f5 (I don't really like this too much. The king should be the top priority here, and pawn moves should be reserved as extra tempi.) 27.f4 f6 28.h4 Kf7 29. Ke3 Ke6 30.Ke2 h6 (Black has two simple winning plans at his disposal. He can swing the king to the queenside, and then use his pawn moves to make inroads, or he

can play Kf7, g5 and then infiltrate on the light squares. Locking up the kingside actually gives White some (slim) drawing chances.) 31.Kd2 g5 32.Ke2 g4 33.Kd2 Kd5 34.Ke3 h5 35.a3 a6 36.Kd2 Kc6 37. Kc2 Kb5 38.Kb2 Kb6 39.Kb1 Ka5 40. Ka2 Ka4 41.Kb2 a5 (After making things hard for himself, Josh finds an ingenious way to win by gobbling up crucial tempi on the queenside and only at the right moment gain the opposition at e4. There weren't any easier ways to win. After locking up all the pawns, this really is the only way to win (or permutations based on this plan at least.). Congratulations to Josh for finding this!) 42.Ka2 Kb5 43.Kb2 Kc6 44.Kc2 Kd5 45.Kd2 Ke4 46.Ke2 a4 0-1

ROUND 4

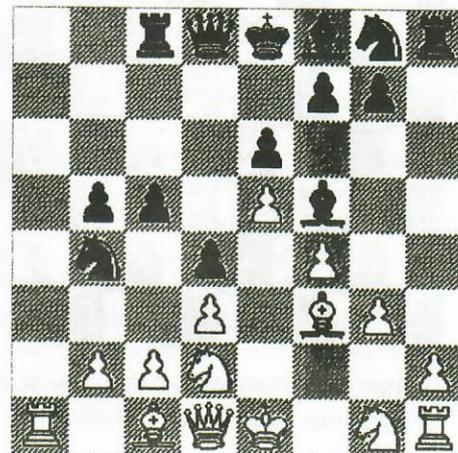
Kirk McMullen-Renard Anderson SICILIAN SCHEVENINGEN 1.e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3.d4 cd4 4.Nd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6. Bc4 e6 7.Bb3 Nbd7 8.0-0?! (8.Be3)Nc5 (according to (old) theory, Black has already gained equality. [Fritz4 actually rates this a += position - mike]) 9.f4 Be7 10.f5 0-0 11.fe6 fe6 12.Qe2 Kh8 13.Bc4 b5 14.b4? bc4 15.bc5



d5! 16.Be3 Bc5 17.Kh1 Qc7 18.ed5 ed5 19.Nd5!? Qe5 20.Nf6 Bd4 21.Qh5 gf6! (This is a nice, clean solution to the problem of how to accept the piece sacrifice.) 22.Qh6 Bb7 23.Bd4 Qd4 24.Rad1 Qg4 25.Qd2 Rad8! 0-1 A very impressive game by Renard.

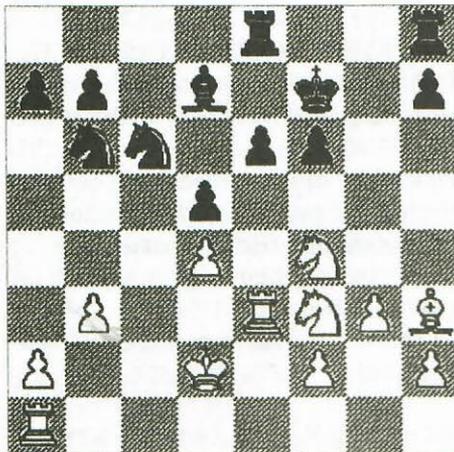
Michael Mulyar- Eric Billaux ENGLISH 1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 Bb4 3.Nd5 Ba5 4. b4 Bb6 5.Nb6 (5.c5? c6 should give Black a fairly comfortable game.) ab6 6.Bb2 d6 7.e3 Ne7 8.Nf3 0-0 9.d3 Kh8!? 10.Be2 f5 11.0-0 Be6 12.e4 Nd7 13.Ng5 Bg8 14.f4 Ng6 15.Nh3 fe4 16.f5!? ed3! 17.Bd3 Ne7 18.Qe2?! (18.Qe1 seems more accurate.) Nc6! 19.Qe1 Qe8 20.a3 Nf6 21.Qg3 Qh5 22.Rac1 Qg4 23.Qe3 Rae8 24.Ng5 h6 25. Nh3 Qh4 26.Nf2 Bh7 27.Qf3 Qh5 28.g4 (White has successfully parried Black's attempts to trade queens, and prepares a dangerous kingside attack. The main question to be resolved is which king will be more exposed.) Qf7 29.h4 g6 30.b5 Nd8 31.Kh1 gf5 32.gf5 Qh5 33.Qh3 Rg8! 34.Rg1 Rg1+ 35.Rg1 Rg8 36.Rg8 Bg8 37.Kg2 Bh7 38.Bc1 Bg8 and the players agreed to a DRAW. (Mr. Billaux played a very confident and solid game, making the draw look relatively easy. He recently told me that although Black was much better here, he agreed to the draw because he had only a couple of minutes left on the clock..)

Leroy Hill-Phillip Ponomarev CENTER COUNTER Leroy was involved in two of the most impressive games of the tournament. He managed to win the following game only after a massive struggle in the endgame, with both sides having only seconds on the clock. He was also involved on the wrong end of a positional masterpiece in the last round. 1.e4 d5 2.e5 d4 3. d3 c5 4.Nd2 Bf5 5.f4 e6 6.Be2 h5 7.Bf3 Nc6 8.Nc4 Rc8 9.a4 b6 10.g3 a6 11. Bh5?! b5 12.ab5 ab5 13.Nd2 Nb4 14.Bf3



c4! 15.Bb7 cd3 16.Bc8 Nc2+ 17.Kf2 Na1 18.Bb7 Qc7 19.Ba8!?! Nh6 20.h3 Bb4 21.g4 0-0 22.Bg2 Bh7 23.Ngf3 f6 24. Nb3 Nc2 25.ef6 Nf7 26.Bd2?! gf6 27. Kg3 Ne3 28.Qc1 Qc1 29.Rc1 And not surprisingly, both sides stopped recording their moves about here. Phil wrote on his score sheet that "Black blundered a bishop in a won game." 1-0

Edwin Schreiber-Dan Avery FRENCH STEINITZ 1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4. e5 Nfd7 5.Nce2 c5 6.c3 Nc6 7.Nf3 (R. Anderson-Avery, Colorado Open '98 continued 7.f4, and Renard went on to win a complex game) cd4 8.cd4 f6 9.Nf4 Bb4+ 10.Bd2 Bd2+ 11.Qd2 Kf7!?! (This could be a novelty. Previously, 11...Qe7 had been played.) 12.ef6 gf6 13.g3 Qa5?! (But this is not so good. White should trade off queens and try to take advantage of Black's poorly placed knight.) 14.Bh3? Qd2+ 15.Kd2 Nb6 16.b3?! Bd7 17.Rhe1 Rae8 18.Re3



e5!?! 19.Bd7 Nd7 20.Nd5 e4 21.Nh4 Nd4 22.f3 ef3 (This pawn leads a charmed life! By all rights, it should die a quick death, but White hesitates for only a move or two, and it lives on to tie down most of the White army.) 23.Re8 Re8 24.Kd3 f2 25. Rf1 Re1 26.Ne3 Rf1 27.Nf1 Nc6 (In the resulting positions, the Black knights find juicy targets on the queenside. White should also focus on creating weaknesses, rather than on passive defense.) 28.Ke2 Nb4 29.a4 Nc5 30.Nd2 Nbd3 31.Nf5 Ke6 32.Ne3 (32.Nd4 was more active.) Nc1+ 33.Kf2 (Ten moves later, the pawn dies,

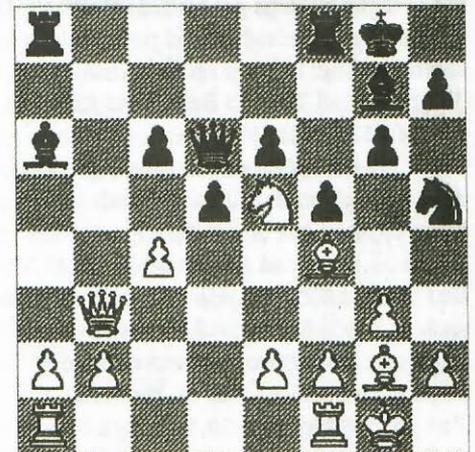
but only after Black picks up the vital b-pawn.) N1b3 34.Nb3 Nb3 35.Nd1 Nc4 36.Nc3 Ke5 37.Ke3 f5 38.h3 Ne4 (The pawn ending is winning, so White's next move is forced. I didn't yet see the way through White's defenses.) 39.Ne2 Nc5? (39...Ng3! 40.Ng3 f4+ was the cleanest win.) 40.Nc3 a6 41.h4 Ne4 42.Ne2 b5 43. ab5 ab5 44.Kf3 b4 45.Nc1 Nc5 46.Ne2 b3 47.Nc3 h5 48.Ke3 Ne4 49.Nd1 Ng3 50.Kd3 f4 51.Kc3 Ne4+ 52.Kb3 f3 53. Ne3 Kf4 54.Nf1 Ng3 0-1

Norbert Martinez-Jim McKenna QUEEN PAWN 1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3. Nc3 Bg4 4.Bg5 h6 5.Bd2? e6 6.Ne5 Bh5 7.f3?! Nfd7?! 8.g4?? Qh4# (How often do you see *that* mating pattern in a tournament?)

ROUND 5

Renard Anderson-Andy Rea SPANISH CLASSICAL STEINITZ VARIATION 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 d6 4.d4 ed4 5. Nd4 Bd7 6.Nc3 Nge7 7.Bg5 h6 8.Be3 Nd4 9.Qd4 Bb5 10.Nb5 Nc6 11.Qd2 Be7 12.0-0 a6 13.Nc3 0-0 14.Rad1 Qd7 15. Nd5 Rae8 16.c4 Bd8 17.f3 f5 18.ef5 Qf5 19.c5 Ne5 20.Qc3 c6 21.Nb6 d5 22.Bd4 Rf7 23.Nc8!?! Qc8 24.Be5 Qf5 25.Rfe1 Ba5 26.Qa5 Re5 27.Qc3 Rfe7 28.Re5 Qe5 29.Qe5 Re5 (Black has a protected passed pawn and control of the e-file, but it probably is not quite enough to win.) 30.Kf2 Kf7 31.Rd4 Re7 32.h4 Kf6 33. Rb4 g5 34.Kg3 Rd7 35.hg5 hg5 36.Kf2 d4 37.Ke2 Ke5 38.g3 Kd5 39.Kd3 Ke5 40.f4+ gf4 41.gf4+ Kf4 42.Rd4+ Rd4 43. Kd4 a5 44.b3 Kf5 45.a3 Kf4 46.Kc4 Ke4 47.b4 ab4 48.ab4 Ke3 49.b5 Ke4 50.bc6 bc6 (The players should agree to the draw here. There is no way two players of this caliber should blunder in this position.) 51.Kc3 Kd5 52.Kb4 Kb3 53.Kc5 (Black has finally won a pawn, but it is purely symbolic.) Kc3 and only now did they agree to a draw 1/2-1/2 This was the only half point Mr. Anderson would surrender in the tournament.

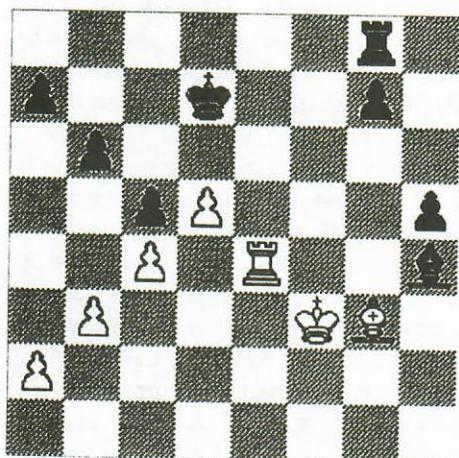
Dan Avery-Brian Wall DUTCH (Perhaps this is called the Staunton Dutch?) 1.Nf3 f5 2.d4 c5 3.g3 Nf6 4.Bg2 g6 5.0-0 Bg7 6.c3 Qb6? (The queen is poorly placed here, and White has a tactical way to demonstrate this.) 7.dc5 Qc5 8. Qb3! e6 9.Be3 Qe7! (An admission that his opening has failed, but showing stout resistance.) 10.Na3 0-0 11.Nb5! d5! (Giving up the pawn is the least of Black's worries. In fact, Brian thought that taking on a7 may be a mistake.) 12.Na7 Nc6 13. Nc6 (And here, Brian recommended 13. Nc8. While I considered it, I think the text may still be the better move.) bc6 14.Ne5 Ba6 15.c4!?! I had planned this on move 13. While it looks wrong to give Black such an easy target, there are tactical reasons that I thought made it strong. Now I am still not sure. Qd6 16.Bf4 Nh5?!



(This move came as a shock to me. I had been convinced he couldn't play it due to 17.c5! which would simply be winning. Brian had already used up an hour on the clock, while I had only used 37 minutes. I spent ten minutes talking myself out of it. I saw that the game continuation would lose material, but I thought my remaining pieces could compensate. This turned out to be wishful thinking.) 17.Ng6? (Brian told me, "now you finally started playing to your rating!") Nf4 18.Nf4 Bc4 19.Qe3 Bb2?! (A little more complicated, but probably better for Black was 19...Ra2 20. Qe6+ Qe6 21.Ne6 Ra1 22.Ra1Bb2.) 20. Rab1 Be5 (And here, Brian offered a draw. He was down to four minutes while I still had forty. But he also had the better

position.) 21.Nh5 Rf7! And we agreed to the DRAW 1/2-1/2

Leroy Hill - Mikhail Ponomarev SCANDINAVIAN 1.e4 d5 2.ed5 Nf6 3.Bb5+ Bd7 4.Bc4 Bg4 5.f3 Bc8 (I don't know the theory of this variation, but it seems that White has gained a tempo here.) 6.Nc3 Nbd7 7.Qe2?! Nb6 8.Bb3 Nbd5 9.Nd5 Nd5 10.d4 c6 11.Bd2 Bf5 12.g4 Bg6 13.h4 h5 14.0-0-0 e6 15.Nh3!? Be7 16.Ng5 Qd6 17.Ne4 Qc7 18.c4 Nf6?! (Leroy considered this to be a very dubious move.) 19.g5!? Ne4 20.fe4 0-0-0 (Now that the kingside is fairly closed I would consider Rd8 followed by 0-0 for Black.) 21.Qe3 c5 22.d5 ed5 23.ed5 Bd6 24.Bc2 Bc2 25.Kc2 Rde8 26.Qh3+ Kb8 27.Rde1 Qc8 (If White can trade all the major pieces he will have a substantial advantage. If the bishops get traded off, then despite the protected passed pawn, Black should be able to hang on for a draw.) 28.Qc8+ Kc8 29.Kd3 Be5 30.b3 f5?! 31.gf6 Bf6 32.Bc3!? (However now that Black has an additional target on g7, almost all endgames will be difficult for him. His best bet is to keep as many pieces on the board as possible.) .Re1! 33.Be1 Re8 34.Bf2 (Avoiding complications such as Re1!? followed by Bh4 with counterplay in the form of connect outside passers.) b6 35.Re1 Rf8 36.Bg3 Kd7 37.Re4 g5!? 38.hg5 Bg5 39.Kc2 Rg8 40.Kf3 Rg7 41.Bh4



(Offering to simplify may ease the defense. However, White has a definite plan associated with this exchange. He will eventu-

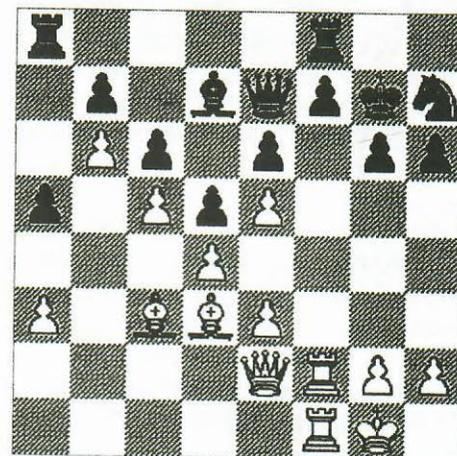
ally win the h-pawn. The tricky part is to keep Black's rook tied down as long as possible. Rook and four pawns vs rook and three pawns, all on one side is considered to be very close to absolutely winning. In this case, with an advanced protected passer, White has a won game!) Bh4 42.Rh4 Rh7 43.Kf4 Kd6 44.a4 (White does not rush to take the h-pawn. He defends the base of his pawn chain first, then goes after the pawn.) Rf7+ 45.Ke4 Rh7 46.Rh3 Rg7 47.Rh5!? Rg3 48.Rh6+ Kc7 49.Rh7+! Kb8 50.d6 Kc8 51.Kd5 a5 (This is not an attempt to save the pawn, but the king! Now he has a luft on a7.) 52.Kc6 Kb8 53.Kb6 (Another winning method would be Rh8+ followed by Rh6, d7 Rd6 and d8.) Rb3 54.Kc5 Rd3 55.Kc6 Rg3 56.c5 Rg8 57.Kb6 Ka8 58.c6 Rb8+ 59.Ka6 1-0 A very impressive endgame by Mr. Hill. Andy Rea congratulated him afterwards for the Double, that is, wins against both Ponomarev's in one tournament. This is going to be a more and more difficult feat as both players may soon be masters.

ROUND 6

Andy Rea-Leroy Hill REALLY IRREGULAR! (Karpov would call this an "incorrect opening"!)

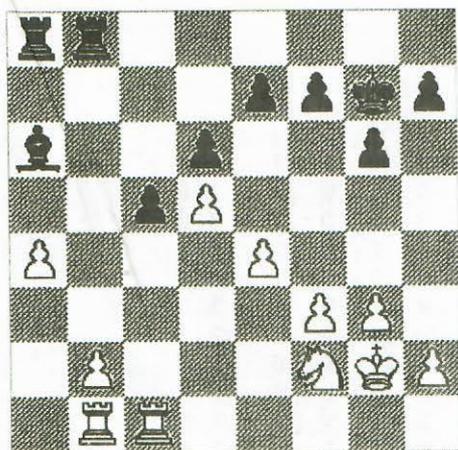
1.Nf3 h6 2.b3 Nf6 3.Bb2 e6 4.e3 d5 5.d4 Nbd7 6.Nbd2 Bd6 7.Bd3 0-0 8.Qe2 c6 9.0-0 Qc7 10.c4 Re8 (This is beginning to look almost like a normal English type of game. However, Black is down a tempo due to ...h6. He isn't sure that matters due to the closed nature of the position.) 11.c5 Bf8 12.b4 a5? (In the postmortem Leroy was upset at himself for not playing the thematic freeing move 12...e5! This is an essential maneuver, as Andy soon shows.) 13.a3 g6? 14.Ne5! Bg7 15.f4 (Andy is setting up a blockade. This is not an ordinary blockade, but one of the most overwhelming I have ever seen!) Nh7 16.Ndf3 Nhf8 17.b5 Ne5 18.Ne5 Be5 19.b6! Qe7 20.fe5 Nh7 21.Rf2 Ref8 (Black is trying desperately to free his game by some means such as f6 or a4 and Ra5.) 22.Raf1 Bd7 23.Bc3! (One of the most difficult aspects of winning such a game is finding a way into

Black's position without allowing him access into White's position! Andy solves these problems beautifully.) Kg7



24.Rf6! Be8 25.Qg4 Qd8 26.Be1! Nf6 27.ef6+ (It turns out that Rf6 also wins, but the text is much less messy.) Kh7 28.Bg3! (Stopping any thoughts of ...e5 for Black.) Qd7 29.Be5 Rh8 30.Rf3 a4 31.Rh3 Kg8 (32.Rh6 Kh6 33.Qh4# was threatened.) 32.Qf4 h5 33.g4 Kf8 34.Bd6+Kg8 35.Be5 Kf8 36.Qg5 Qd8 37.Rh5! (Yes, gh5 also wins, but this is much more aesthetically pleasing.) Rh5 38.gh5 39.Bd7 40.Qh6+ 1-0 After the game, Dr. Ponomarev congratulated Andy, comparing it to the games played of Nimzovich and Capablanca (He may have had in mind Capa's brilliant victory as black against Nimzo in the 1924 New York tournament.). This high praise was well deserved!

Brian Wall-Renard Anderson KING'S INDIAN SAEMISCH Surprisingly, this is the only time two masters played each other in the entire tournament. 1.c4 g6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.f3 0-0 6.Bg5 c5 7.d5 a6 8.Qd2 b5 (And this is equally surprising: Mr. Wall plays a main line!) 9.cb5 Qa5 10.ba6 (And we have reached a position that could have arisen from a Benko.) Qb4 11.Kf2 Na6 12.g3 Nc7 13.Nh3 Re8 14.Rb1 Nd7 15.Be2 Ne5 16.Kg2 Ba6 17.Nf2 Nc4 18.Bc4 Qc4 19.Rhc1 Qd4 20.Be3 Qd2 21.Bd2 Nb5 22.a4 Nc3 23.Bc3 Reb8! 24.Bg7 Kg7



(The following information may be helpful to understand what follows: First of all, White absolutely needs to win this game to get any prize money, while Black could get a draw and tie for first. Secondly, Mr. Anderson is extremely comfortable in these types of positions and may even consider it strategically winning for Black. He will continue to organize play against the a and b pawns, safe in the knowledge that any kingside attack would take a great deal of time. One other factor to bear in mind: both players have less than twenty minutes left for the rest of the game!) 25. e5!? (This is a radical attempt to change the course of the game. However, it shouldn't worry Black.) Rb4 26.b3 Rab8 27.ed6 ed6 28.Ne4 Bd3! 29.Ra1 Be4 30. fe4 Re4 (Although Black has "only" restored material equality, his position is much better, and may actually be winning.) 31.a5 Re7 32.a6 Ra7 33.Ra3 Rb6 34.Rca1 Kf6! 35.Rf1+ Ke7 36.Re1+ Kf6 37.Rf1+ Ke5 (Black repeats the position before going into the critical line. This is excellent technique!) 38.Rf7 Rf7 39.a7 Rf8! (Black doesn't mind saccing the rook back, but wants to do it without dropping any unnecessary pawns.) 40.a8(Q) Ra8 41.Ra8 Rb7 42.Ra3 Kd5 (++) 43.Kf3 Rf7+ 44.Kg4?! Rf5 45.h3 Re5 46.Kf4 h5 47.g4 g5+ 48.Kf3 hg4 49.hg4 Kd4 50. Ra6 Rd5 51.Rb6 and 0-1 (apparently on time) This clinched clear first place!

Turn to page 39 for an exciting round 6 game between our two hottest youth players!

Secretary's Report 1999 CSCA Membership Meeting By Michael Fuchs

This year's membership meeting was very special. It was the first one I have attended that started on time! I don't think our founders thought through the process of a meeting in the middle of a tournament, but we're stuck with it, and it worked this time. In his Buckspeak column, Buck mentions the benefits of holding this meeting (and the corresponding tournament) on Saturday instead of Sunday, and I think (and hope) you'll see this become a permanent part of our Labor Day adventure.

On to the meeting:

-We opened with Chris Hendrickson's annual appearance to remind us that there are people locked up who play chess! As always, Chris was funny and full of vigor. Unfortunately, she had to leave early. She presented a very brief overview of her most recent activities and rushed out of the room. Chris did present the Board with another "Volunteer Excellence Award," ("another nice eagle") to add to our "impressive array of awards and trophies."

Her notes follow:

Prison Chess News by Chris Hendrickson

It's been another year of limited success for the Prison Chess Committee. No matter how hard you try, frustrations are bound to happen.

It looks like it may be almost impossible, for example, to get a chess club started at the Colorado Correctional Center in Golden. I must have tried to call their coordinator 150 times, but never once connected. Have you ever tried to call a jail or prison? It's quite an adventure, and it almost always fails. If and when you actually connect, you have to get through the intense, "Is this call in reference to an inmate?" barrier. Even if you know the extension you need, whoever answers is far more likely to simply hang up than take, let alone deliver, your message.

That is part of the reason it takes so long to set up a simul, like the one I'm currently trying to set up at the FPC Chess League, with the help of Todd Bardwick. There have also been, however, some hopeful developments. Betty, a teacher at Golden High School, has been able to take the High School Chess Club to play at Lookout Mountain several times. This might fall more under the purview of Scholastic Chess, but I'd like to thank Betty for her input and optimism.

-Next up was yours truly. I reported on the 1998-99 Colorado Chess Tour winners (see page 31) first, and the Membership gave applause and handshakes.

Next I reported on the needs for the *Informant* (submissions and address changes).

I also reported that membership was roughly the same as last year - we lose a few and pick up a few, but we haven't grown or fallen off.

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1999 DENVER OPEN**Open Section**

1	Mc Carty, James M.....	2339	W 12	W 6	W 4	D 3	3.5
2	Hill, Leroy.....	2096	W 13	D 15	D 9	W 11	3.0
3	Avery, Daniel P.....	2073	W 20	W 14	D 5	D 1	3.0
4	Shedd, Michael P.....	2031	W 21	W 22	L 1	W 15	3.0
5	Scheidies, Mark P.....	2004	W 16	W 23	D 3	D 7	3.0
6	Bloomer, Josh.....	1867	W 17	L 1	W 22	W 9	3.0
7	Schlagenhauf, Mark.....	2107	D 18	W 19	D 15	D 5	2.5
8	Hammersmith, James.....	2052	L 15	W 13	D 14	W 16	2.5
9	Dykstra, Steven.....	2058	D 19	W 18	D 2	L 6	2.0
10	Bowers, David E.....	2055	L 14	W 20	L 16	W 21	2.0
11	Ponomarev, Philipp.....	2003	L 22	W 21	W 23	L 2	2.0
12	Mink, Chris L.....	1931	L 1	D 17	D 19	W 22	2.0
13	Badger, Fred.....	1865	L 2	L 8	W 20	X---	2.0
14	Doykos, Kenneth P.....	1800	W 10	L 3	D 8	D 17	2.0
15	Roberts-Hoffman, K.....	1726	W 8	D 2	D 7	L 4	2.0
16	Blake, Bradford C.....	1677	L 5	B---	W 10	L 8	2.0
17	Rea, Andrew B.....	2097	L 6	D 12	D 18	D 14	1.5
18	Baffo, Jeffrey A.....	1890	D 7	L 9	D 17	D 19	1.5
19	Bihlmeyer, Joseph.....	1814	D 9	L 7	D 12	D 18	1.5
20	Krowczyk, Mark L.....	1841	L 3	L 10	L 13	B---	1.0
21	Bagstad, Gary L.....	1700	L 4	L 11	B---	L 10	1.0
22	Parker, James H.....	1650	W 11	L 4	L 6	L 12	1.0
23	Cox, Jeremy.....	Unr	B---	L 5	L 11	F---	1.0

Premier Section

1	Duke, Larry Alan.....	1796	W 24	W 13	W 4	D 2	3.5
2	Presutti, Michael.....	1692	W 14	D 11	W 12	D 1	3.0
3	Hamilton, Doug.....	1684	W 25	W 6	D 8	D 5	3.0
4	Smith, Josh.....	1665	W 10	W 15	L 1	W 8	3.0
5	Kern, Wolfgang.....	1615	D 12	W 26	W 11	D 3	3.0
6	Anderson, Robert L.....	1576	W 17	L 3	W 15	W 18	3.0
7	Weiss, Emanuel.....	1500	W 28	H---	D 18	W 17	3.0
8	Fuchs, Michael T.....	1620	W 16	W 20	D 3	L 4	2.5
9	Overdorff, Robert.....	1537	D 18	L 12	W 27	W 20	2.5
10	Svare, Shawn L.....	1493	L 4	W 23	W 26	D 13	2.5
11	Wutt, Laurence R.....	1485	W 19	D 2	L 5	W 21	2.5
12	Lewis, Dain Curry.....	1422	D 5	W 9	L 2	W 22	2.5
13	Nelson, Rick.....	1565	W 21	L 1	D 20	D 10	2.0
14	Bartlow, Justin L.....	1517	L 2	D 19	D 16	W 26	2.0
15	Rossi, Ronald J.....	1455	W 27	L 4	L 6	W 24	2.0
16	Skarie, Al.....	1425	L 8	D 24	D 14	W 25	2.0
17	Bagwell, James.....	1343	L 6	W 22	W 19	L 7	2.0
18	Aragon, Joseph R.....	1275	D 9	W 28	D 7	L 6	2.0
19	Martinez, Norbert.....	1653	L 11	D 14	L 17	W 27	1.5
20	Lauer, Mark.....	1404	W 23	L 8	D 13	L 9	1.5
21	Cohen, Jeffrey.....	1321	L 13	H---	X---	L 11	1.5
22	Macneil, J C.....	1622	L 26	L 17	W 23	L 12	1.0
23	Kessler, Gottfried.....	1600	L 20	L 10	L 22	B---	1.0
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8	Sparks, Steve E.....	1105	H---	D 15	W 26	W 17	3.0
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33	Lopez, Joshua.....	Unr	F---	U---	U---	U---	0.0

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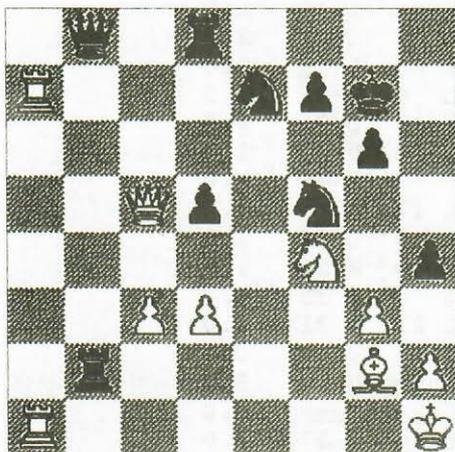
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DENVER OPEN GAMES

Selections and notes by Mark Scheidies

OPEN SECTION**ROUND 1****Andy Rea - Josh Bloomer**

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7 5.Nge2 d6 6.d3 Rb8 7.0-0 b5 8.f4 b4 9.Nd5 e6 10.Ne3 Nd4 11.f5 exf5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Nxf5 Nxf5 14.Bc6+ Kf8 15.Kh1 Nge7 16.Bg2 h5 17.Nf4 Bd4 18.Qf3 Kg7 19.a3 Qc7 20.Ne2 Be5 21.axb4 Rxb4 22.c3 Rb3 23.Ra2 Rf8 24.Bf4 d5 25.Rfa1 Bxf4 26.Nxf4 Rd8 27.Rxa7 Qb8 28.Qf2 Rxb2 29.Qxc5 h4

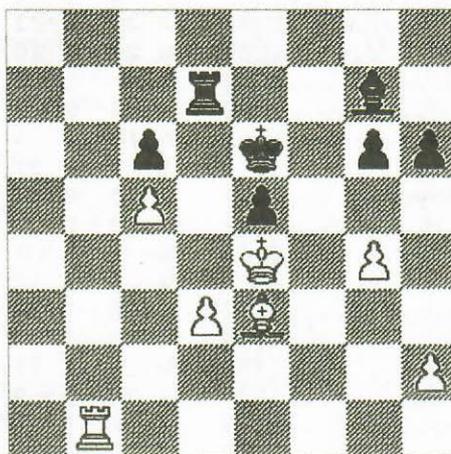


30.Ne6+ [30.Rxe7 by reversing the order of moves, White keeps a good game. 30... Nxe7 31.Ne6+ fxe6 32.Qxe7+ Kh8 (32... Kg8 33.Qxe6+ Kg7 34.Qe7+) 33.Qxh4+ Kg8 34.Qf6 Rb1+ 35.Rxb1 Qxb1+ 36.Bf1=] 30...fxe6 31.Rxe7+ Kf6! this move would not have been possible with the other move order. Now White is in deep trouble! 32.Rxe6+ [32.Rf1 h3! Fritz5 33.Bxh3 (33.Bf3 Nxe7) 33...Rxb2+ 34.Kxh2 Qxg3+ 35.Kh1 Qxh3+ 36.Kg1 Qg3+ 37.Kh1 Rh8+] 32...Kxe6 33.Re1+ Kf6 34.g4 h3 35.Re6+ Kxe6 36.gxf5+ gxf5 37.Qe3+ Qe5 38.Qxe5+ Kxe5 39.Bxh3 Rg8 40.d4+ Kf4 0-1

Mike Shedd - Gary Bagstad

1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7 5.d3 f5 6.f4 Nf6 7.Nf3 d6 8.0-0 Be6 9.Ng5 Bd7 10.e4 h6 11.exf5 Bxf5 [11...hxg5 12.fxg5 is roughly even according to Fritz5.] 12.Nge4 0-0 13.Nxf6+ Rxf6 14.Nd5 Rf8

15.Be3 Qd7 16.Qb3 Nd8 17.c5 Kh7 18.fxe5 dxe5 19.g4 Be6 20.Rxf8 Bxd5 21.Rxd8? [21.Qxd5±] 21...Rxd8 22.Qxd5 Qxd5 23.Bxd5 Rxd5 24.Rd1 c6 [24...e4 25.d4³ leaves White with the bad bishop instead of Black.] 25.Kf2 Kg8 26.Kf3 Kf7 27.Ke4 Ke6 28.Rc1 Rd7 29.Rc4 Rf7 30.Rc1 Rd7 31.b4 a6 32.a4 Bf8 33.Rf1 Bg7 34.b5 axb5 35.axb5 Rf7 36.Rb1 Rd7 37.bxc6 bxc6



White now neatly takes advantage of the fact that each of his pieces is slightly more active than it's Black counterpart. 38.Rb6 Rc7 39.Rb8 Ke7 40.Rg8 Ke6 41.Rd8 [41.Bxh6 is probably a missed tactical opportunity.] 41...Bf6 42.Rd6+ Kf7 43.Bxh6 Be7 44.Kxe5! Bxd6+ 45.Kxd6 Ra7 46.d4 Ra8 47.Kxc6 Kf6 48.d5 Rc8+ 49.Kb6 Ke5 50.d6 Ke6 51.Be3 Kd7 52.Kb7 Re8 53.Bf4 Rc8 54.Be3 Re8 55.Bd2 Rc8 56.Bb4 Rc6 57.h4 Rc8 58.h5 gxh5 59.gxh5 Rc6 60.h6 Rc8 1-0

Brad Blake - Mark Scheidies

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.d4 Nxd5 4.c4 Nb6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Nf3 Bg7 7.Be3 0-0 8.Be2 Bg4 9.0-0 Nc6 10.h3?! Bxf3 11.Bxf3 Nxc4 12.Bxc6 bxc6 13.Ne4 Qd5 14.Nc3 Qa5 15.Qa4 Qxa4 16.Nxa4 Nxe3 17.fxe3 e5 18.dxe5 Bxe5 19.Rac1 Rab8 20.b3 Rfd8 21.Rf2 Rd3 22.Re2 Re8 23.Kf2 Rd6 24.Rcc2 Rf6+ 25.Kg1 Rd8 26.Red2 Rxd2 27.Rxd2 Rd6 28.Rc2 Bg3 29.Kf1 h5 30.Nc5 f5 31.Ke2 h4 32.Nb7 Rf6 33.Nd8 c5 34.Nb7 Kf7 35.Rxc5 Ra6 36.Na5 Ke7 [36...Bd6! 37.Rb5 Ke6] 37.a4 Kd7 38.Nc4 Re6 39.Rd5+ Kc6 40.Ra5 Kb7 41.Rb5+ Kc8 42.Kf3 c6 43.Ra5 Kb7 44.Rc5

Bc7 While Black has a slight edge, I don't think there's enough to win the game. White's next move allows Black to trade into a won ending. 45.Na5+? Bxa5 46.Rxa5 Kb6 47.b4 Re4 48.Rc5 Rxb4 49.Re5 Rxa4 50.Re6 g5 51.Rg6 g4+ 52.hxg4 fxg4+ 53.Rxg4 Rg4 54.Kxg4 a5 55.e4 a4 56.e5 a3 57.e6 Kc7 58.Kf5 Kd8 59.Kf6 Ke8 0-1

Philipp Ponomarev - James Parker

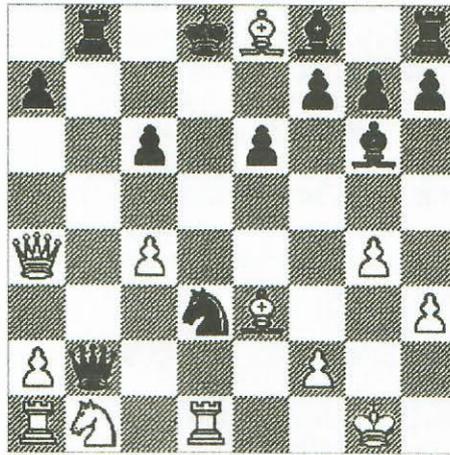
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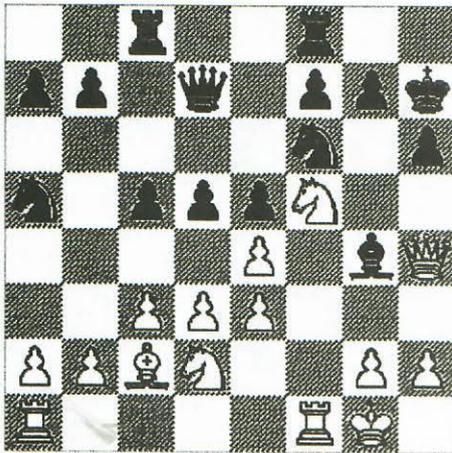
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Mark Krowczyk - David Bowers

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 b6 4.e4 Bb7 5.f3 c5 6.d5 e5 7.Nge2 d6 8.Ng3 Nbd7 9.Be3 g6 10.Bd3 a6 11.0-0 h5 12.Qc2 Bh6 13. Bxh6 Rxh6 14.Nd1 Qc7 15.h4 0-0-0 16. Ne3 Ng8 17.Rab1 Rf8 18.Ne2 Qd8 19.g3 g5 20.Nf5 Rg6 21.hxg5 Qxg5 22.Kf2 Nh6 23.Qc1 Qf6 24.b4 cxb4 25.Rxb4 Nxf5 26.exf5 Rg7 27.Nc3 Kc7 28.Qb2 Rfg8 29.Rg1 Rb8 30.Ne4 Qe7 31.f6 Nxf6 32.Nxf6 Qxf6 33.Be4 Bc8 34.Rb1 Qg5 35.Rxb6 Qxg3+ 36.Ke3 Qg5+ 37.Kd3 f5 38.Rxb8 [38.Rc6+ should win for White according to Fritz5.] 38...fxe4+ 39.Kc2 Qg2+ 40.Kc3 Qxf3+ 41.Kb4 Kxb8 0-1

**Jim Hammersmith - Fred Badger**

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.d3 h6 5.0-0 d6 6.c3 Bg4 7.Be3 Bxe3 8.fxe3 Nf6 9. Nbd2 0-0 10.Bb3 Na5 11.Bc2 c5 12.Qe1 Rc8 13.Nh4 Qd7 14.Nf5 Kh7 15.Qh4 d5



[15...Bxf5 leaves White with only a slight edge, although Black is going to have to defend carefully against an assault on his kingside..] 16.Nxh6! Bh5 17.Rxf6 Bg6 18.Nxf7+ Kg8 19.Qh8# 1-0

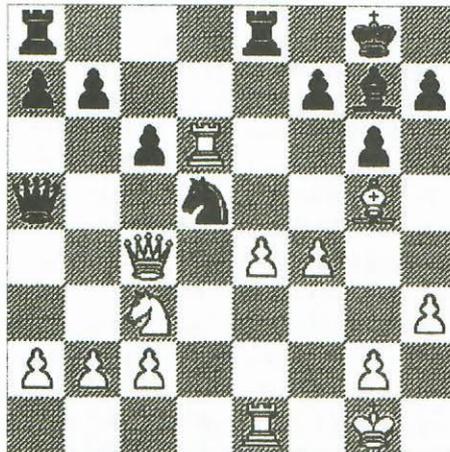
Gary Bagstad - Philipp Ponomarev

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.d4 Nxd5 4.Nf3 Bg4 5.h3 Bh5 6.g4 Bg6 7.Bg2 e6 8.Ne5 Nc6 9.Nxc6 bxc6 10.c4 Nb4 11.Qa4 things get real complicated now. 11...Qxd4 [11... Nc2+ 12.Kf1 Rb8 is preferred by Fritz5, with a Black plus.] 12.Bxc6+ Kd8 13.0-0 Rb8 14.Rd1 Nd3 15.Be3 Qxb2 16.Be8 c6

17.Qxc6 [17.Bxf7! Fritz5 says this is a +4 position for White. 17...Qxa1 18.Qa5+! Ke7 19.Bxg6 hxg6 20.Qxa7+-] 17...Qb7 18.Nc3 Bb4 19.Rxd3+?! Bxd3 20.Rd1 Qxc6 21.Bxc6 Kc7! 22.Bf4+ Bd6 [22... Kxc6+] 23.Nb5+ [23.Bxd6+ Kxd6 24. Bb5+] 23...Kxc6 24.Nxd6 Rb1 25.Rxb1 Bxb1 26.Nxf7 Rf8 27.Ne5+ Kb7 28.Be3 Bxa2 0-1

Katie Roberts_Hoffman - Mark Schlagenhaut

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nf3 d6 4.Bc4 Nf6 5. Nc3 0-0 6.Be3 Nc6 7.0-0 Bg4 8.h3 Bxf3 9.Qxf3 e5 10.dxe5 Nxe5 11.Qe2 Nxc4 12. Qxc4 Re8 13.Rad1 Qe7 14.Bg5 c6 15. Rf6! Qe5 16.f4 Qa5 17.Rxd6 Nd5

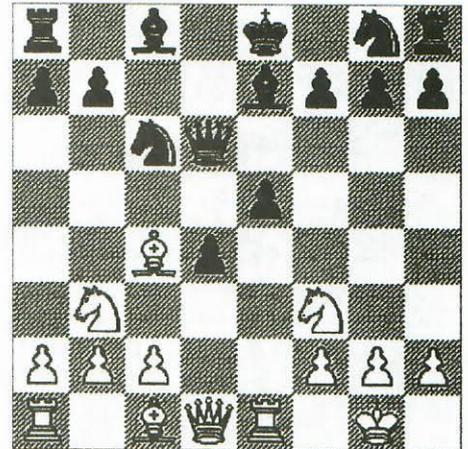


18.exd5?! Rxe1+ 19.Kf2 Rae8 20.Bd8 b6 21.dxc6 Qf5 22.Nd5 R1e4 23.Qd3 Rxf4+ 24.Kg1 Rf1+ 25.Qxf1 Bd4+ 26.Kh2 Qxf1 27.Ne7+ Rxe7 28.Rxd4 Qf5 29.Rc4 Qe5+ 30.Kg1 Qe6 31.Rc3 Qd6? [31...

Qe1+ 32.Kh2 Re2 33.c7 Qf2 34.Rg3 Rxc2 is one of several winning plans.] 32.Bxe7 Qd4+ 33.Kf1 Qd1+ 34.Kf2 Qd4+ 35.Kf3 Qd5+ 36.Kg4 [36.Kf2 is safer. Fritz5 considers this a drawn position.] 36... Qe6+ 37.Kf3 Qxe7 38.c7 Qf6+ 39.Ke4 Qe6+ 40.Kd4 Qc8 41.Kd5 Kf8 42.Kc6 Ke7 43.Rd3 h5 [43...Qa8+ appears to still win for Black... 44.Kb5 Qe8+ 45.Kb4 Qc6 because 46.Rc3 a5+ mates soon.] 44.Rd8 Qe6+ and in this final position, it's possible White may be winning, since after 45. Kb7 b5 46.c8=Q Qb6+ 47.Ka8 Qxd8, White wins the K&P ending... ½-½

Gary Bagstad - David Bowers

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 c5 4.exd5 Qxd5 5. Nf3 cxd4 6.Bc4 Qd6 7.Nb3 Nc6 8.0-0 e5 9.Re1 Be7



10.Nxe5! Nxe5 11.Bf4 f6 12.Bb5+ [12. Qh5+ (Fritz5) 12...g6 13.Bxe5 Qxe5 (13... Qc6 14.Qe2+) 14.Qxe5 fxe5 15.Rxe5 Kf8! -+] 12...Bd7 13.Bxd7+ Qxd7 14. Bxe5 fxe5 15.Qh5+ Kf8 16.Qxe5 Rc8 17. Nxd4 Bf6 18.Ne6+ Kf7 19.Qf5 Ne7 [19... Qc6! Fritz5 considers this an even position.] 20.Qh3 [20.Ng5+! wins for White 20...Ke8 21.Rxe7+! Kxe7 (21...Bxe7 22. Qf7+ Kd8 23.Ne6+; 21...Qxe7 22.Qxc8+) 22.Re1+ Kd8 23.Ne6++-] 20...Qb5 21.a4 Qxb2 22.Rab1 Qc3 23.Re3 Qxc2 24. Rbe1 Rhe8 25.Qf3 Kg8 26.Qxb7 Qc6 27.Qb3 Qc4 28.Qb7 Nf5 29.R3e2 Qxe2 0-1

David Bowers - Brad Blake

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 exd4 4.Bc4 d6 5. c3 d3 6.0-0 Nf6 7.Ng5 Ne5 8.Bb3 h6 9.f4

hgx5 10.fxe5 dxe5 11.Bc4 Bc5+ 12.Kh1 Bg4 13.Bxf7+? looks good, but... 13... Ke7! 14.Qb3 Rxh2+ 15.Kxh2 Qh8+ 16. Kg3 Qh4# 0-1

James McCarty - Mike Shedd

1.e4 c5 2.c3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.cxd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 e6 6.Nf3 Be7 7.Bd3 0-0 8.0-0 Nc6 9. a3 Qb6 10.e5 Nd5 11.Nxd5 exd5 12.h3 f5 13.Bb1 Be6 14.exd6 Bxd6 15.Ng5 Rae8 16.Ba2 Kh8 17.Qh5 Bg8 18.Bxd5 h6 19. Nf7+ Bxf7 20.Bxf7 Re7 21.Bxh6 Rxf7 22.Bf4+ Kg8 23.Bxd6 Rd8 24.Bc5 Qxb2 25.Rab1 Qa2 26.d5 Rxd5 27.Ra1 Qb2 28.Be3 b6 29.Rac1 Qb5 30.Qg6 Ne7 31. Qe6 Re5 32.Qa2 Qd5 33.Qa1 Re4 34. Rfd1 Qe6 35.Bg5 Ng6 36.Qc3 f4 37.Qf3 Rf8 38.h4 Qf5 39.Qb3+ Kh7 40.Rd5 Ne5 41.f3 Nxf3+?! 42.gxf3 Qh3 43.Rd2 Re3 44.Qc2+ Kh8 45.Rg2 Rxf3 46.Be7 Re8 47.Qd1 Kh7 48.Rc3 Rxe7 49.Rxf3 Re1+ 50.Qxe1 Qxf3 51.Qb1+ Kg8 52.Qc1 Qe4 53.Qc8+ Kh7 54.Qc2 1-0

PREMIER SECTION (Under 1800)

Norbert Martinez - Larry Wutt

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 d5 3.c4 e5 4.cxd5 Nxd5 5. e4 Nf6 6.Bb5+ Nbd7 7.e5 Qa5+ 8.Nc3 Nd5 9.Bd2 Nxc3 10.Bxd7+ Bxd7 11. Bxc3 Qa6 12.d5 Bg4 13.h3 Bh5 14.Qe2 Qxe2+ 15.Kxe2 0-0-0 16.g4 Bg6 17.Rhd1 h6 18.Rd2 Be4 19.Rad1 e6 20.d6 Kd7 21.Ne1 g5 22.f3 Bd5 23.Nd3 b6 24.f4 Bg7 25.f5 h5 26.fxe6+ fxe6 27.Rg1 Be4 28.Ke3 Bg6 29.Rf2 hxg4 30.Rg3 gxh3 31.Rh2 Bf5 32.Nf2 Bh6 33.Ng4 Bxg4 34. Rxg4 Bg7 35.Kf3 Rdf8+ 36.Kg3 Rf5 37. Rxh3 Rxh3+ 38.Kxh3 Bxe5 39.Bd2 Bf4 40.Bxf4 gxf4 41.Kg2 Kxd6 42.Kf3 Kd5 43.Rg7 a5 44.b3 Kc6 45.a4 e5 46.Rg6+ Kb7 47.Ke4 Rf8 48.Kxe5 f3 49.Rg1 f2 50.Rf1 Kc6 51.Ke4 b5 52.Ke3 bxa4 53. bxa4 Kd5 54.Rd1+ Kc4 0-1

JC MacNeil - Nathan Stark

1.b4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Bb2 Bf5 4.e3 e6 5.a3 c5 6.Bb5+ Nc6 7.Ne5 Qb6 8.Nc3 cxb4 9. axb4 Bxb4 10.Ra6?! [10.Nxc6 bxc6 (10... Bxc3 11.Nd4+) 11.Ra6 cxb5 12.Rxb6 axb6 13.Nxb5±] 10...bxa6 11.Bxc6+ Ke7 12.Na4 Qc7 13.Bxa8 Bxc2?! [13...Rxa8-+] 14.Nc6+ Qxc6 15.Bxc6 Bxd1 16.Kxd1

Rb8 17.Bc3 [17.Ke2] 17...Kd6 18.Bxd5 Kxd5 19.Ke2 a5 20.Rc1 Rc8 21.Rb1 Ne4 22.f3 Nxc3+ 23.Nxc3+ Bxc3 24.Rc1 Rc6 25.dxc3 Kc4 26.Rb1 Rb6 27.Ra1 Rb2+ 28.Kf1 Rb5 29.Ra3 Rc5 30.Ke2 Rd5 31. g4 f5 32.e4 fxe4 33.fxe4 Rg5 34.h3 h5 35. Kf3 hxg4+ 36.hxg4 Kd3 37.Kf4 Rc5 38. g5 Kc2 39.Kg4 Kb2 40.Ra4 Kxc3 41. Kh5 Kb3 42.Ra1 a4 43.Rb1+ Kc2 44. Rb7 Ra5 45.Rxg7 a3 46.Rf7 a2 47.Rf2+ Kd3 48.Rxa2 Rxa2 49.g6 Rg2 50.e5 Ke4 51.Kh6 Rxg6+ 0-1

Robert Anderson - Jim Bagwell

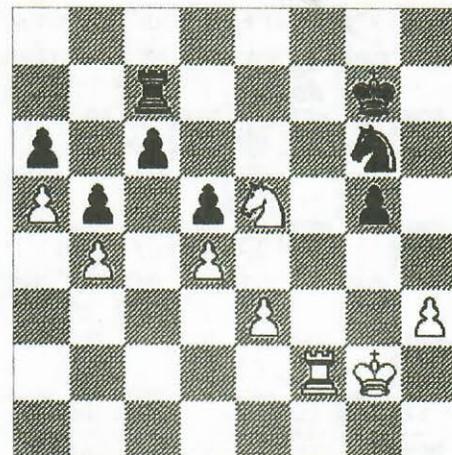
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Jeff Cohen - Rick Nelson

1.d4 c6 2.e3 d5 3.Bd3 Nf6 4.Nd2 Bg4 5. Ngf3 e6 6.0-0 Bd6 7.c3 0-0 8.e4 dxe4 9. Nxe4 Nxe4 10.Bxe4 Nd7 11.h3 Bh5 12. Bd3 f6 13.Be2 Qc7 14.Nd2 Bf7 15.Nc4 Bh2+ 16.Kh1 b5 17.Nd2 Bg6 18.Nf3 Bd6 19.a4 a6 20.Re1 e5 21.dxe5 Nxe5 22. Nxe5 Bxe5 23.Bf3 Rad8 24.Qb3+ Bf7 25.Qc2 Kh8 26.axb5 axb5 27.Be3 c5 28. Be2 c4 29.Ra7 Qb8 30.Rea1 Bd5 31.f3 Rf7 32.Rxf7 Bxf7 33.Rd1 Rxd1+ 34. Qxd1 Bg6 35.Qd2 h5 36.g4 Bd6 37.Bd1 Bd3 38.Be2 Bg6 39.Bd1 b4 40.Kg2 bxc3 41.bxc3 Bg3 42.Kg1 Bd3 43.Bf2 Bxf2+ 44.Kxf2 [44.Qxf2 Qe5+] 44...h4 [44... Qh2+ 45.Ke3 Qg1+ 46.Qf2 (46.Kf4 g5#) 46...Qxd1] 45.Qe3 Qb2+ [45...Qg3#] 46. Kg1 Qxc3 47.Be2 Qe1+ 48.Kh2 0-1

Justin Bartlow - Norbert Martinez

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Nc6 5. cxd5 exd5 6.e3 Be7 7.Bd3 h6 8.Bh4 0-0 9.Nge2 Re8 10.0-0 Be6 11.a3 Ng4 12. Bxe7 Qxe7 13.h3 Nf6 14.b4 Qd7 15.Nf4 Bf5 16.Qc2 Bxd3 17.Qxd3 g5 18.Nfe2 Qe7 19.Qf5 Rad8 20.Ng3 Qe6 21.Qxe6 Rxe6 22.Nf5 Kh7 23.Nb5 Ne8 24.Rac1 a6 25.Nc3 Kg6 26.Ng3 f5 27.Nge2 Rd7 28.Rc2 Ne7 29.Na4 b6 30.Rfc1 Nc8 31. Rc3 f4 32.Rc6 Rdd6 33.R6c3 fxe3 34. fxe3 Na7 35.Nb2 Re7 36.a4 Rde6 37.Nd1 c6 38.g4 Nd6 39.Ng3 Ne4 40.Nxe4 Rxe4 41.R1c2 h5 42.gxh5+ Kxh5 43.Rg2 R7e6 44.Rg3 Nc8 45.Nf2 Rh4 46.Kg2 Ne7 47. Ng4 Kg6 48.Ne5+ Kh5 49.Rf3 [49.Nf3+-] 49...Kh6 50.Ng4+ Kg7 51.Rc2 Rh8 52. Rcf2 Rc8 53.Rf7+ Kg8 54.R7f6 Rxf6 55. Nxf6+ Kg7 56.Nd7 b5 57.a5 Rc7 58.Ne5 Ng6



59.Nxg6 Kxg6 60.Rf8 Ra7 61.Rc8 Kf5 62.Rxc6 Ke4 63.Re6+ Kd3 64.Re5 Rc7 65.Rxd5 Kxe3 66.Rc5 Rd7 67.Rc6 Rxd4 68.Rxa6 Rxb4 69.Re6+ Kf4 70.Rf6+ Ke5 71.Rb6 Kf4 72.Rf6+ Ke5 73.Rb6 Kd4 74.a6 Kc5 75.Rg6 Ra4 76.Rxg5+ Kb6 77.Rg6+ Ka7 78.Rg7+ Kxa6 79.Rh7 b4 80.Rh6+ Kb5 81.Rh5+ Kc4 82.Rh4+ Kc3 83.Rf4 Ra2+ 84.Kg3 Rd2 85.h4 b3 86.h5 b2 87.Rf1 Kc2 88.h6 b1Q [88... Rd6 and Black wins. 89.Rf2+ Kb3] 89. Rxb1 Kxb1 90.Kg4 Kc2 91.Kg5 Kd3 92. Kg6 Ke4 93.Kg7 Kf5 94.h7 Rd7+ 95. Kh6 Rd6+ 96.Kg7 Rg6+ 97.Kf7 Rc6 98. h8Q Rc7+ 99.Kg8 Rc8+ 100.Kg7 ½-½

Jim Bagwell - J.C. MacNeil

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bc4 e6 7.0-0 Qc7 8.Bb3 b5 9.a3 Nc6 10.Be3 Bb7 11.f3 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 Be7 13.Qe2 0-0 14.Na2 a5 15.Nc1 e5 16.Bf2 d5 17.exd5 Nxd5 18.Re1 b4 19.Bxd5 Bxd5 20.Qxe5 Qxe5 21.Rxe5 Be6 [21... bxa3!]³ 22.Nd3 Bf6 23.Ree1 Bc4 24.axb4 Bxd3 25.cxd3 Bxb2 26.Rxa5 Rxa5 27.bxa5 Bc3 28.Re7 Bxa5 29.Bc5 Bc3 30.d4 g6 31.Kf2 Rd8 32.Ke3 Kg7 33.Kd3 Ba5 34.Kc4 Rb8 35.Ra7 Bd8 36.d5 Rb2 37.Ra8 Bf6 38.Bf8+ 1-0

Emanuel Weiss - Joe Aragon

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Bf4 Bg7 5.e3 0-0 6.Be2 c6 7.h4 Re8 8.Ne5 Nbd7 9.h5 Nxe5 10.Bxe5 Nd7 11.Bxg7 Kxg7 12.e4 dxe4 13.Nxe4 Nf6 14.Ng3 Qa5+ 15.c3 Qd5 16.Bf3 Qg5 17.Qd2 Qxd2+ 18.Kxd2 e5 19.Rae1 exd4 20.Rxe8 Nxe8 21.hxg6 dxc3+ 22.Kxc3 fxc6 23.Re1 Kf7 24.Ne4 h6 25.Nc5 Nd6 26.Rd1 Nb5+ 27.Kb3 Be6+ 28.Nxe6 Kxe6 29.Bg4+ Ke5 30.Rd7 h5 31.Bf3 Nd4+ 32.Kc3 Nxf3 33.gxf3 Rb8 34.Rf7 Ke6 35.Rh7 a6 36.Kc4 b6 37.Ra7 a5 38.a4 b5+ 39.axb5 cxb5+ 40.Kb3 a4+ 41.Kb4 Rb6 42.f4 Kf5 43.Kc5 Rb8 44.Rf7+ Kg4 45.Rf6 b4 46.Rxg6+ Kxf4 47.Rg3 a3 48.bxa3 b3 49.Rg1 b2 50.Rb1 h4 51.a4 h3 52.a5 Kf3 [52...Rc8+ 53.Kd4 h2-+] 53.a6 Rb3 54.a7 Ra3 55.Rxb2 Rxa7 56.Rb3+ Kg2 57.Rg3+ Kh2 58.Rg8 Rf7 59.Kd4 Rxf2 60.Ke3 Rg2 ½-½

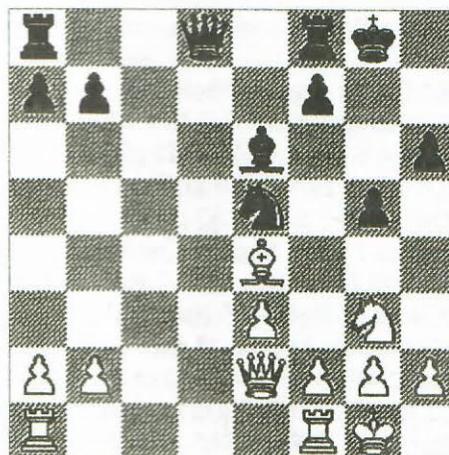
Shawn Svare - Nathan Stark

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Robert Overdorff - Al Gardner

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.Bg5 d5 4.c4 Bb4+ 5.Nc3 Nbd7 6.e3 0-0 7.cxd5 exd5 8.Bd3 h6 9.Bh4 c5 10.0-0 cxd4 11.Nxd4 Bd6 12.Nxd5 g5 13.Nxf6+ Nxf6 14.Bg3 Ng4 15.Nf5 Bxg3 16.Nxg3 Be6 17.Qe2 Ne5 18.

Be4



18...Bc4 19.Qh5 Qf6 20.Nf5 Bxf1 21.Nxh6+ 1-0

Larry Wutt - Jeff Cohen

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.d4 d5 3.Bg5 e6 4.Nbd2 Be7 5.e3 Nbd7 6.Bd3 b6 7.0-0 Bb7 8.c3 0-0 9.Re1 c5 10.Bxf6 Nxf6 11.Ne5 Bd6 12.f4 Bxe5 13.fxe5 Ne8 14.Qh5 g6 15.Qh6 Ng7 16.Rf1 Qe7 17.Rf6 Ne8 18.Raf1 Kh8 19.Bxg6 1-0

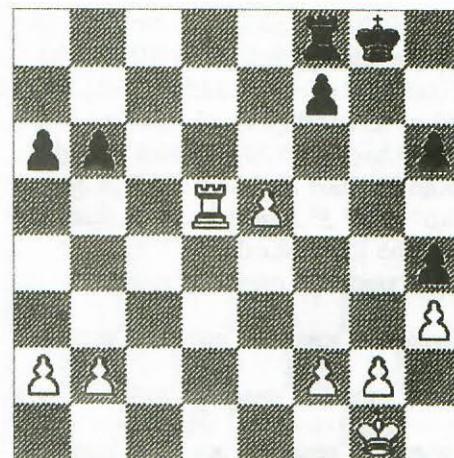
Ron Rossi - Randy Schine

1.e4 g6 2.d4 d6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.Bc4 0-0 6.0-0 Na6 7.Bxa6 bxa6 8.h3 Bb7 9.Re1 Nd7 10.Bg5 c5 11.Qd2 cxd4 12.Nxd4 Ne5 13.Nd5 Re8 14.Rad1 Nc6 15.Nxc6 Bxc6 16.Nxe7+ Rxe7 17.Bxe7 Qxe7 18.Qxd6 Qb7 19.Rd3 Re8 20.f3 Be5 21.Qc5 Be7 22.Kh1 Bg3 23.Red1 Bc7 24.Rc3 Re6 25.Rb3 Bb6 26.Rd8+ Re8 27.Rxe8+ Bxe8 28.Qd6 Bc6 29.c4 Qc8 30.c5 Ba4 31.cxb6 Bxb3 32.bxa7 Qc1+ 33.Kh2 Bxa2 34.a8Q+ Kg7 35.Qaf8# 1-0

RESERVE SECTION (Under 1400)

Theodore Doykos - Jurij Pivovarov

1.d4 e6 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Bg5 b6 4.e3 Bb7 5.Nbd2 c5 6.c3 a6 7.Bd3 Be7 8.0-0 cxd4 9.cxd4 Nc6 10.Rc1 Re8 11.e4 h6 12.Bh4 d6 13.Bb1 e5 14.dxe5 dxe5 15.h3 Nd4 16.Re1 Rxc1 17.Qxc1 Nc6 18.Bg3 Bd6 19.Nc4 Qc7 20.Nxd6+ Qxd6 21.Rd1 Qe6 22.Qc3 Nd4 23.Nxd4 exd4 24.Qxd4 0-0 25.e5 Nd5 26.Bh4 Qc6 27.Be4 g5 28.Bxd5 Qxd5 29.Qxd5 Bxd5 30.Rxd5 gxh4



31.a4 [31.Rd6 is an easier path toward the win.] 31...Re8 32.b4 Re6 33.f4 Kg7 34.Kf2 Kg6 35.Kf3 Kf5 36.Ke3 [36.Rd6+-] 36...Rc6 37.Rd6 but at this point, it appears this move only draws. 37...Rxd6 38.exd6 Ke6 39.Ke4 f5+ 40.Ke3 Kxd6 41.Kd4 b5 42.a5 h5 43.Ke3 Kd5 44.Kd3 Ke6 45.Kd4 Kd6 ½-½

William Barber - Carl Berg

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.c4 e6 5.Nc3 Bb4 6.Bd2 dxc4 7.Bxc4 Qxd4 8.Qe2 Ne7 9.Nf3 Qd8 10.0-0 0-0 11.Rad1 Qc7 12.a3 Bxc3 13.Bxc3 Nd5 14.Bxd5 cxd5 15.Rc1 Qb6 16.Bb4 Re8 17.Rfd1 Nc6 18.Bc5 Qd8 19.Nd4 Nxd4 20.Bxd4 a6 21.Rc3 Re8 22.Rdc1 Rxc3 23.Rxc3 Qd7 24.f4 Re8 25.g4 Rxc3 26.bxc3 Be4 27.Qb2 Qc6 28.Qb6 Qxb6 29.Bxb6 Kf8 30.Kf2 Ke8 31.Ke3 Kd7 32.c4 Kc6 33.c5 Kb5 34.Kd4 Bf3 35.h3 Bg2 36.h4 Bf3 37.g5 Ka4 38.Kc3 Kxa3 39.Ba5 Ka4 40.Bb4? Kb5 [40...d4+! 41.Kc4 Bd5+] 41.Ba3 b6 42.cxb6 Kxb6 43.Be7 g6 44.Kb4 a5+ 45.Ke3 Kb5 46.f5? gxf5 47.h5 Bxh5 0-1

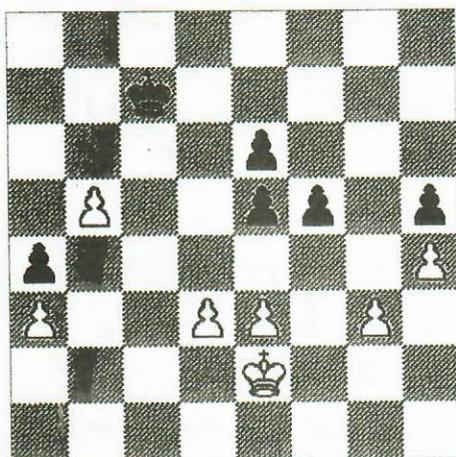
Nick Scheidies - Sam Galler

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Milton Kitchens - Mike Bligh

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Nf6 4.Ng5 d5 5.exd5 Nxd5 6.Qf3 Qxg5 7.Bxd5 Qf6 8.Qxf6 gxf6 9.c3 Bh6 10.Na3 Ne7 11.Bf3 c6 12.d3 Bxc1 13.Rxc1 Be6 14.c4 0-0-0

15.Rd1 Ng6 16.g3 Bh3 17.Nc2 Ne7 18. Ne3 h5 19.Bg2 Be6 20.h4 Nf5 21.Bh3 Nxe3 22.Bxe6+ fxe6 23.fxe3 f5 24.Ke2 c5 25.a3 a5 26.Rhg1 a4 27.Rb1 Kc7 28.b4 b6 29.bxc5 bxc5 30.Rb5 Kc6 31.Rgb1 Kd6 32.Rb6+ Ke7 33.R1b5 Rd6 34. Rb7+ Rd7 35.Rxd7+ Kxd7 36.Rxc5 Rb8 37.Rb5 Rxb5 38.cxb5 Kc7



39.Kd2 [39.e4! Kb6 40.d4! wins (Fritz5)] 39...Kb6 40.Kc3 Kxb5 41.Kd2 Kc5 42. Ke2 e4? [42...Kd5=] 43.dxe4 fxe4 44.g4! hxg4 45.h5 g3 46.h6 Kc4 47.h7 Kb3 48. h8Q Kxa3 49.Qc3+ Ka2 50.Kd2 g2 51. Qg7 1-0

Larry Hathorn - Ed Hudak

1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.Qxd4 Nc6 4.Qd1 d6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Be3 Nf6 7.Bc4 e6 8.Nf3 Be7 9.Qd2 0-0 10.0-0 b5 11.Bb3 Na5 12. Kb1 Nxb3 13.cxb3 Bb7 14.Qc2 Rc8 15. Qd3 b4 Black has played well, and is winning the Knight on c3 now, as long as he remembers to watch White's threats... 16. Ng5 [16.Ne2 Bxe4; 16.e5 bxc3 17.exf6 c2+] 16...bxc3 17.Ka1 cxb2+ 18.Kxb2 h6 19.e5 Nd5? 20.Qh7# 1-0

Kendel Crose - William Farr

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Bc5 3.d4 exd4 4.Bg5 f6 5. Bh4 Nc6 6.Bc4 d6 7.Qe2 Bg4 8.Bd5 Nge7 9.Nbd2 Qd7 10.Qc4 0-0-0 11.h3 Nxd5 12.hxg4 Nf4 13.Rh2 Rhe8 14.g5 Qg4 15.g3 d5 16.Qxc5 dxe4 17.0-0-0 exf3 18.gxf6 Qe6 19.fxg7 Qxa2 20.gxf4 Re2 21.b3 Rg8 22.Qf5+ Kb8 23.Bf6 Black has a mate in 5 here (Fritz5)... 23... Nb4 [23...Qa1+ 24.Nb1 Nb4 threatening both Na2 and Rxc2.] 24.Rxh7 Rxg7? [24...

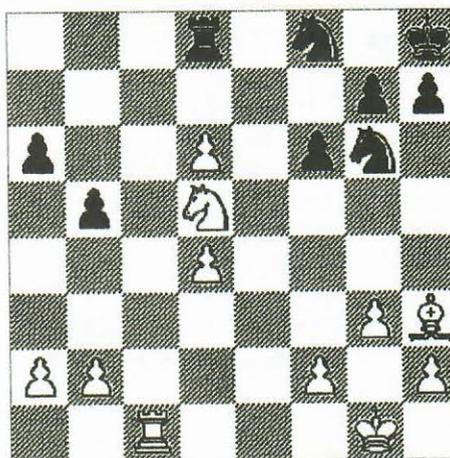
Qa1+ 25.Nb1 Na2#] 25.Rh8+ Rg8 26. Rxg8+ Re8 27.Rxe8# 1-0

Ed Hudak - Aaron Shotwell

1.d4 d5 2.c4 Nf6 3.Nc3 Be6 4.Bg5 c6 5. e3 Ne4 6.Nxe4 dxe4 7.Qd2 g6 8.Ne2 Bg7 9.Nf4 Bf5 10.Ne2 0-0 11.Nc3 h6 12.Bh4 Qd7 13.Be2 Rd8 14.h3 c5 15.d5 g5 16. Bg3 e6 17.Rd1 Bxc3 18.Qxc3 Qa4 19.b3 Qb4 20.Qxb4 cxb4 21.Bc7 Rd7 22.Ba5 Na6 23.g4 Bg6 24.c5 Nxc5 25.Bxb4 Nd3+ 26.Bxd3 exd3 27.dxe6 fxe6 28.f3 Rc8 29.Rh2 Rc2 30.Rhd2 e5 31.e4 Rxd2 32.Rxd2 h5 33.Bc3 hxg4 34.hxg4 Be8 35. Bxe5 Rf7 36.Rxd3 Bb5 37.Rd8+ Kh7 38. Kf2 Bc6 39.Ke3 Re7 40.Bf6 Rf7 41.Bxg5 Kg6 42.f4 1-0

Andre Patin - Jon Fortune

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.c4 Nf6 5. Bf4 Bf5 6.Nc3 a6 7.Nf3 e6 8.Be2 Nbd7 9.c5 Be7 10.0-0 0-0 11.Rc1 Rc8 12.Re1 Re8 13.Qb3 Nh5 14.Be5 f6 15.Bd6 Bxd6 16.cxd6 b5 17.Nh4 Nf4 18.Nxf5 exf5 19. Bf1 Kh8 20.g3 Ng6 21.Qxd5 Nb6 22. Rxe8+ Qxe8 23.Qxf5 Qd7 24.Qxd7 Nxd7 25.Bh3 Rd8 26.Nd5 Ndf8



27.d7 Nxd7 28.Bxd7 h6 29.Bf5 Nf8 30. Nf4 g5 31.Nh5 Rd6 32.d5 Kg8 33.Rc8 Kf7 34.Be6+ Nxe6 35.dxe6+ Rxe6 36. Rc7+ Kg6 37.Ng7 [37.g4 with an unstoppable mate by Rg7.] 37...Re1+ 38.Kg2 Re2 39.g4 Rxb2 and here, once again, Nf5 or Nh5 would mate soon. 40.Ne6 f5 41.Nf8+ Kf6 42.Nd7+ Ke6 43.Nc5+ Kd6 44.Nxa6 Rxa2 45.Rh7 fxg4 46.Rxh6+ Ke5 47.Rb6 Kf4 48.Nb4 Ra5 49.Nc6 Ra4 50.Rxb5 Ra3 51.Ne7 Ra6 52.Rb4+

Ke5 53.Rxg4 Kf6 54.Nd5+ Kf5 55.Ne3+ Kg6 56.h4 Kh5 57.hxg5 Re6 58.Kf3 Kg6 59.Ng2 Ra6 60.Nh4+ Kg7 61.g6 Ra3+ 62.Kf4 Ra4+ 63.Kg3 Ra3+ 64.Kg2 Ra5 65.f4 Ra2+ 66.Kh3 Ra3+ 67.Rg3 Ra1 68. Rb3 Rh1+ 69.Kg4 Rg1+ 70.Kh5 Rc1 71. Rb7+ Kf8 72.g7+ Kg8 73.Nf5 Rh1+ 74. Kg6 Rg1+ 75.Kf6 Rg6+ 76.Ke5 Rg1 77. Ne7+ [77.Nh6+] 77...Kf7 78.Nd5+ Kg8 79.Nf6# 1-0

***Teddy Doykos - Frank Shortwell**

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Bf5 3.c4 c6 4.Qb3 b6 5. Bf4 Nf6 6.e3 Nh5 7.Bg3 [7.Bxb8! Rxb8 8. Ne5 Rc8 9.cxd5 appears to leave White with a winning position.] 7...e6 8.Nc3 Nxb3 9.hxg3 Nd7 10.cxd5 cxd5 11.Bb5 a6 12.Bc6 Rc8 13.Ne5 Rxc6 14.Nxc6 Qc7 15.Nb4 a5 16.Nb5 Qb7 17.Na6! Be7 18.Nbc7+ Kf8 19.0-0 Bd6 20.Rac1 Ke7 21.Rc3 Bxc7 22.Nxc7 Rd8 23.Qa3+ Kf6 24.Nb5 Bg6 25.f4 Bh5 26.Rf2 Nf8 27. Rc7 Qb8 28.Qe7+ Kf5 29.Qg5+ 1-0

***Ted Grauberger - Ed Hudak**

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.cxd5 exd5 4.Nc3 Nf6 5. Nf3 Nc6 6.e3 a6 7.Bd3 Bb4 8.Bd2 0-0 9.0-0 Bd6 10.Ng5 h6 11.Nh3 Be6 12.Qc2 Nb4 13.Qb1 Nxd3 14.Qxd3 Qd7 15.e4 dxe4 16.Qe3 Rae8 17.Ne2 Bf5 18.Nhf4 g5 19.Qg3 Nh5?! 20.Nxh5 Bxg3 21.Nf6+ Kg7 22.Nxd7 Bxh2+ 23.Kxh2 Bxd7 24. Rac1 c6 25.Ng3 Kg6 26.Rfe1 f5 27.Rc5 Be6 28.Re5 Bd5 29.Rxe8 Rxe8 30.Nf1 Bxa2 Here the three pawns prove to be more powerful than the Knight. 31.Ne3 f4 32.Ng4 Bd5 33.Ne5+ Kf5 34.Bc3 h5 35. f3 e3 36.Kg1 g4 37.fxg4+ hxg4 38.Re2 Rh8 39.b4 Rg8 40.Bb2 Ke4 41.Kf1 f3 42.gxf3+ gxf3 43.Nxf3 Kxf3 44.Ke1 Rg1# 0-1

***Ann Davies - Dan Lecocq**

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Nf3 Nc6 5. Bg5 Be7 6.a3 a5 7.Qc2 b6 8.cxd5 Nxd5 9.Bxe7 Ndx7 10.e3 Bb7 11.Bb5 0-0 12.0-0 Na7 13.Bd3 Bxf3 14.gxf3 g6 15. Kh1 Nac6 16.Ne2 e5 17.Be4 Qe8 18.d5 Na7 19.Qxc7 [19.d6 cxd6 20.Bxa8 Qxa8+= Fritz5] 19...Qd8 20.Qxe5 Re8 21.Qg3 f5 22.Bc2 Qxd5 23.Nd4 Qd7 24. Rad1 Nac6 25.Bb3+ Kh8 26.Ba4 Qb7 27.Nxc6 [27.Qd6] 27...Nxc6 28.Rd6 Rec8 [28...b5] 29.Rxc6 Rxc6 30.Qe5+ Kg8 31. Bb3+ Kf8 32.Qh8+ Ke7 33.Qxh7+ Kd6 34.Qxb7 Rac8 35.Rd1+ 1-0

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OVERALL

<u>Player</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Rating</u>
1. Andy Rea	48	670.79	2142
2. Renard Anderson	34	626.22	2249
3. Josh Smith	57	618.65	1654
4. Joe Bihlmeyer	44	492.67	1781
5. Phillip Ponomarev	33	474.02	1909
6. Mike Shedd	29	465.73	2010
7. Dan Avery	26	406.55	2074
8. Eric Billaux	28	401.58	2133
9. Katie Roberts-Hoffman	35	372.19	1600
10. Mark Schlagenhauf	22	369.75	2120

MOST ACTIVE

<u>Player</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Rating</u>
1. Josh Smith	57	618.65	1654
2. Andy Rea	48	670.79	2142
3. Allan Ufer	46	192.38	1115
4. Joe Bihlmeyer	44	492.67	1781
5. Kathy Schneider	42	95.28	669
6. Robert Anderson	41	330.54	1562
7. Al Gardner	38	343.88	1635
Dean Brown	38	231.28	1382
Joseph Aragon	38	185.48	1285
10. Wolfgang Kern	37	340.32	1656

EXPERT

<u>Player</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Rating</u>
1. Andy Rea	48	670.79	2142
2. Mike Shedd	29	465.73	2010
3. Dan Avery	26	406.55	2074
4. Eric Billaux	28	401.58	2133
5. Mark Schlagenhauf	22	369.75	2120
6. Leroy Hill	25	355.65	2112
7. Mark Scheidies	20	345.33	2016
8. David Landers	16	223.11	2025
9. Adam Weissbarth	13	212.46	2018
10. David Bowers	12	196.78	2024

CLASS A

<u>Player</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Rating</u>
1. Phillip Ponomarev	33	474.02	1909
2. Josh Bloomer	26	356.29	1847
3. Shane Gaschler	26	348.16	1964
4. Jeff Baffo	23	324.48	1848
5. Kenneth Doykos	27	266.11	1806
6. Vance Aandahl	20	232.76	1818
7. Ron Leonhard	14	207.82	1832
8. Edwin Schreiber	15	194.47	1848
9. Sean Scott	16	183.65	1966
10. Daoud Zupa	17	174.26	1945

CLASS B

<u>Player</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Rating</u>
1. Josh Smith	57	618.65	1654
2. Joe Bihlmeyer	44	492.67	1781
3. Katie Roberts-Hoffman	35	372.19	1600
4. Al Gardner	38	343.88	1635
5. Wolfgang Kern	37	340.32	1656
6. Doug Hamilton	26	266.81	1678
7. Mike Presutti	25	262.14	1699
8. Rick Nelson	26	227.59	1619
9. Nick Emery	25	223.77	1686
10. Norbert Martinez	24	206.13	1657

CLASS C

<u>Player</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Rating</u>
1. Roberts Anderson	41	330.54	1562
2. John Schultz	27	258.30	1518
3. Emanuel Weiss	31	232.14	1513
4. Robert Overdorff	22	227.96	1507
5. Shawn Svare	26	220.31	1434
6. Randy Schine	27	209.57	1564
7. Michael Kass	21	206.04	1548
8. Ron Rossi	22	201.01	1472
9. Phil Brown	22	174.95	1462
10. J. C. MacNeil	22	172.73	1583

CLASS D/E and Below

<u>Player</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Rating</u>
1. Sean Cabrera	30	263.44	1380
2. Laurence Wutt	27	232.50	1350
3. Dean Brown	38	231.28	1382
4. Allan Ufer	46	192.38	1115
5. Joseph Aragon	38	185.48	1285
6. Ann Davies	30	143.63	1114
7. Sophie Weiss	27	138.27	1096
8. Jon Fortune	28	132.15	1206
9. Al Skarie	17	130.90	1383
10. Theodore Doykos	28	121.75	1062

This year's tour saw 359 players play 3662 tour games! This is an increase of 14 players and 510 games! Overall, it was a solid year for chess in Colorado. This year's tour also saw some interesting developments: The biggest increase in players and activity was among Experts and Class A players – this is a very pleasant development; Shane Gaschler was dethroned in the Class A section by two of our up-and-coming youngsters – Phil Ponomarev and Josh Bloomer; And another of our fine junior players, Sean Cabrera, stepped up and won his section; Andy Rea, Leroy Hill, and Dan Avery all made very good showings in their returns to heavy activity – with Andy snatching top honors overall! Congratulations to all, and I'll see you OTB!

Mike Fuchs

Pikes Peak OpenOne Section

		1	2	3	4	5	Total
1	Mike Emerson	2152	W30	W31	WF	W5	D2 4.5
2	Dan Avery	2099	W38	W32	W16	W4	D1 4.5
3	Mike Klein	2304	W39	W29	D26	W27	W9 4.5
4	Renard Anderson	2231	W18	W17	W6	L2	W12 4.0
5	Sepp Hochreiter	2100	W34	W14	W41	L1	W17 4.0
6	Josh Bloomer	1887	W44	W20	L4	W18	W25 4.0
7	Eric Billaux	2146	W35	L41	W36	W13	W21 4.0
8	Dennis O'Rorke	1831	W40	W33	L9	W35	W16 4.0
9	Andy Rea	2117	W23	W28	W8	.5B	L3 3.5
10	Philipp Ponomarev	1962	L42	W48	W30	W28	D15 3.5
11	Josh Smith	1714	D43	W47	L27	W33	W26 3.5
12	Leroy Hill	2103	.5B	W42	W54	W26	L4 3.5
13	Chris Clevenger	1848	W51	W19	.5B	L7	W32 3.5
14	Mike Fuchs	1620	W60	L5	.5B	W36	W27 3.5
15	Sean Groves	1719	D47	W55	.5B	W37	D10 3.5
16	Aleksandr Arustamyan	Unr	W22	W39	L2	W41	L8 3.0
17	Joe Bihlmeyer	1776	W52	L4	W23	W38	L5 3.0
18	Ron Rossi	1455	L4	W52	W44	L6	W40 3.0
19	Paul Anderson	1553	W56	L13	D42	WF	D29 3.0
20	Dan Cabrera	1504	W62	L6	W51	L21	W38 3.0
21	Ken Doykos	1800	W37	D36	.5B	W20	L7 3.0
22	Robert Anderson	1575	L16	L27	W43	W55	W35 3.0
23	Dain Lewis	1422	L9	W57	L17	W56	W46 3.0
24	Sean Cabrera	1375	L26	W59	L28	W50	W39 3.0
25	Doug Hamilton	1675	D55	W43	.5B	W40	L6 3.0
26	Shane Gaschler	1999	W24	W46	D3	L12	L11 2.5
27	Daoud Zupa	1929	D45	W22	W11	L3	L14 2.5
28	Kerry Buckey	1623	W57	L9	W24	L10	D30 2.5
29	Mark Labencki	1760	W48	L3	L35	W44	D19 2.5
30	David Rice	1453	L1	W49	L10	W59	D28 2.5
31	Bruce Bergquist	1662	W49	L1	L34	D51	W37 2.5
32	Norbert Martinez	1595	W61	L2	.5B	W42	L13 2.5
33	LaMoyne Splichal	1500	W58	L8	.5B	L11	W51 2.5
34	Michael Munafo	1404	L5	W60	W31	.5B	--- 2.5
35	William Coyle	1426	L7	W53	W29	L8	L22 2.0
36	Emanuel Weiss	1503	W50	D21	L7	L14	D45 2.0
37	Jack Coleman	1263	L21	W50	WF	L15	L31 2.0
38	Mark Lauer	1404	L2	W61	W46	L17	L20 2.0
39	Charles Martin	1461	L3	L16	W61	W49	L24 2.0
40	Brian Moore	1268	L8	W58	W45	L25	L18 2.0
41	Jon Tindall	1637	W53	W7	L5	L16	--- 2.0
42	Josh Snavely	1363	W10	L12	D19	L32	.5B 2.0
43	Allan Ufer	1111	D11	L25	L22	D58	W56 2.0
44	Dan Groves	1340	L6	W62	L18	L29	W57 2.0
45	Dean Brown	1358	D27	L54	L40	W53	D36 2.0
46	Manus Smith	1584	W59	L26	L38	W47	L23 2.0

47 Ann Davies	1135	D15	L11	.5B	L46	W59	2.0
48 Ray Artis	1185	L29	L10	L56	W61	W52	2.0
49 Ray O'Dell	1092	L31	L30	W62	L39	W58	2.0
50 Valeriy Levitan	Unr	L36	L37	W57	L24	W55	2.0
51 Joe Aragon	1293	L13	W56	L20	D31	L33	1.5
52 LeRoy Nickelson	1236	L17	L18	.5B	W60	L48	1.5
53 Steve Biles	1043	L41	L35	D58	L45	W60	1.5
54 Mark Krowczyk	1819	.5B	W45	L12	---	---	1.5
55 Theodore Doykos	1108	D25	L15	.5B	L22	L50	1.0
56 Steve Smythe	Unr	L19	L51	W48	L23	L43	1.0
57 Bill Zinsmeyer	1023	L28	L23	L50	W62	L44	1.0
58 Bryan Castle	Unr	L33	L40	D53	D43	L49	1.0
59 Kathy Schneider	681	L46	L24	BYE	L30	L47	1.0
60 Gregory Zulauf	931	L14	L34	.5B	L52	L53	0.5
61 Nathan Kidd	841	L32	L38	L39	L48	D62	0.5
62 Melkon Domborian	Unr	L20	L44	L49	L57	D61	0.5

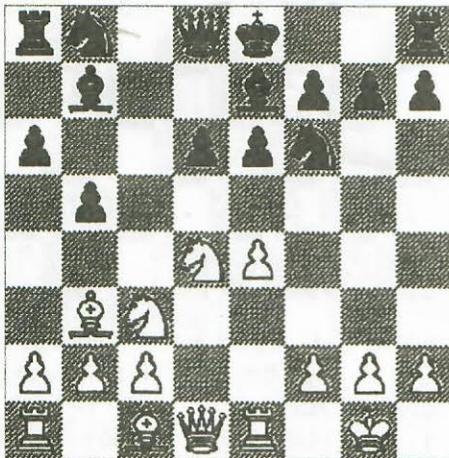
Pikes Peak Open Games

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Round 1

Shane Gaschler - Sean Cabrera

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bc4 e6 7.0-0 b5 8.Bb3 Bb7 9.Re1 Be7 [The spirit of this opening suggests 9...b4 to hit on e4 10.Nd5 exd5 11.exd5+ Kd7 (11...Be7 12.Nf5 Would be very annoying! But if Black can (in theory!) survive the Fried Liver Attack, he ought to be able to handle this piece up position!?)]

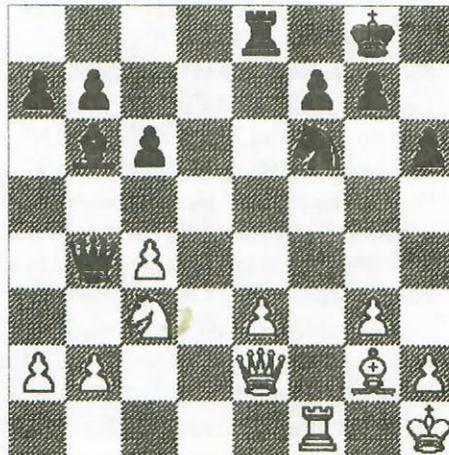


10.Bxe6! Sac anyway! 10...fxe6 11.Nxe6 Qd7 12.Nxg7+ Kf7? Kd8 may give more shelter, as White's pieces are aiming king-side 13.Nf5 Nc6 14.Nd5 Qd8 15.Nxf6? tempting, to remove the defender of h5,

but [15.Ndx7 Nxe7 16.Nxd6+ seems much stronger] 15...Kxf6 16.Qh5 Ke6 17.Ng7+ Kf6 18.Bg5+ Kxg7 19.Bh6+ Kg8 20.Qd5# 1-0

Sepp Hochreiter - Michael Munaf0

1.Nf3 d5 2.g3 Nf6 3.Bg2 Bf5 4.d3 e6 5.0-0 h6 6.c4 c6 7.Be3 Nbd7 8.Qb3 Qc7 9.Nc3 Bd6 10.Rac1 A reason that 8...Qb6 might have been better - Black loses time w/ 10...a6, Qb6, or Qb8 - or allows a fork. 10...0-0 11.Nd4? Gaining the bishop pair w/ 11.cxd5 exd5 12.Nb5 Qb8 13. Nxd6 Qxd6 is preferable - White has a small edge, and bigger if he can open the position. 11...Nc5 12.Qd1 dxc4 13.Nxf5 exf5 14.dxc4 Rad8 15.Qc2 f4 16.Bxc5 Bxc5 17.Qf5 Bd6 18.Rcd1 fxc3 19.fxc3 Qb6+ 20.Kh1 Qc5 21.Qh3 Be5 22.Rxd8 Rxd8 23.Qf5 Bd4 24.Qd3 Qb4 25.e3 Bb6 26.Qe2 Re8

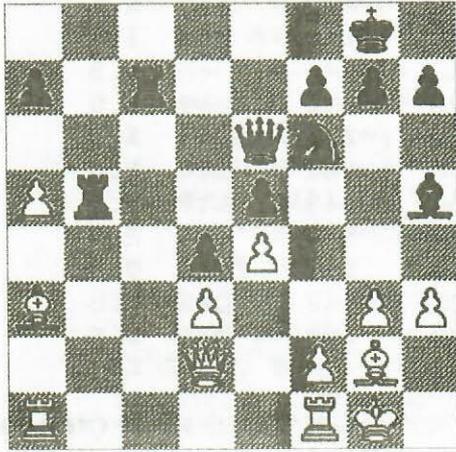


27.Rxf6 gxf6 28.Qg4+ Kf8 29.Qf4 Bxe3 30.Qxf6 Re6 31.Qh8+ Ke7 32.Bf1 Qd6 33.Qc8 Qd7 [33...Qd2 34.Qxb7+ Kf8-+ - Fritz4] 34.Qxd7+ Kxd7 35.Bh3 Kd6 36.Bxe6 Kxe6 37.Kg2 Bd4 38.Nd1 a6 39.Kf3 Kf5 40.h3 b5 41.cxb5 axb5 42.Ne3+ Bxe3 43.Kxe3 Ke5 44.a3 c5 45.b3 Kd5 (Sepp's scoresheet has a strange notation here, which I'm guessing means he considered the move dubious - Fritz4 took it from a .15+ to a .65+ for White after this move; Now the stronger player wins the race. - mike) 46.Kd3 h5 47.h4 f5 48.a4 bxa4 49.bxa4 c4+ 50.Kc3 (All is now lost - in order to stop the a-pawn, the c-pawn must fall, and the Black king will be unable to make it back to the kingside in time - Michael tries to make something happen - mike) 50...Ke4 51.a5 Kf3 52.a6 Kxg3 53.a7 f4 54.a8Q f3 55.Kxc4 Kf2 56.Kd3 Ke1 57.Ke3 Kd1 58.Qa2 Kc1 59.Kd3 f2 60.Qa1# 1-0

Robert Anderson - Aleksandr Arustamyan

1.Nf3 d5 2.g3 Nf6 3.Bg2 c5 4.0-0 Nc6 5.d3 e5 6.Nbd2 Be7 7.c3 0-0 8.Qc2 Bf5 9.e4 Bg6 10.Nh4 Bh5 11.Nf5 d4 12.Nxe7+ Why the rush? - So often seen in trades on g6 or g3. Rather than the immediate trade, Re1 allows Nf1, improving White's position. If Black plays dxc3, bxc3 yields the b-file for White. 12...Qxe7 13.a4 Na5 interesting! 14.b4 cxb4 15.cxb4 Rfc8 [15...Qxb4 16.Ba3 Qc3 17.Qxc3 dxc3 18.

Bxf8 Kxf8 19.Nb1 c2 20.Na3 Be2 21. Nxc2 Bxd3 yields a pawn for Black - Fritz4] 16.Qb1 Nc6 17.Ba3 Qe6 18.h3 Rc7 19.Nc4 b6 20.Qb2 Rb8 21.Qd2 b5 22.axb5 Rxb5 23.Na5 Nxa5 24.bxa5



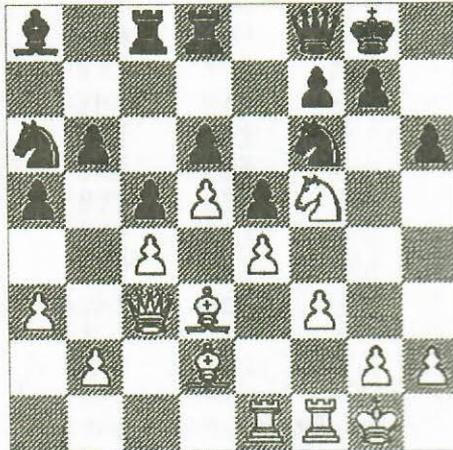
Rc3 25.Bb2 Rcb3 26.Rfb1 Nd7 27.Bf1 Nc5 28.Qc2 Qa6 29.Bc1 [29.Ba3 Rc3 30. Qd2 Nb3 31.Qg5 h6 32.Qxh5 Nxa1 33. Rxa1 Rxa5 is not much better for White.] 29...Rc3 [29...Bd1] 30.Rxb5 Qxb5 31. Rb1 Qe8 32.Qb2 [32.Qd2 Nb3 A] 33.Qe1 Qa4 (33...h6 leaves White with all his problems) 34.Bd2 Rc2 35.g4 Bg6 36.Be2 Qa2 37.Rxb3 Qxb3 38.Bd1 Qb2 39.Bxc2 Qxc2 40.Qc1=, B) 33.Qg5 33...f6] 32... Rb3 33.Qa2 Qb5 34.Rxb3 Qxb3 35.Qa3 Qxa3 36.Bxa3 Nb3 37.Bb4? White should play g4 first - de-activating the Black bishop, and enabling his to be available for attack 37...Bd1 38.f4 f6 39.Kf2 Nc1 40.Ke1 Ba4 41.fxe5 fxe5 42.Bd6 Bb5 43.Kd2 Nb3+ 44.Kc2 Nxa5 45.Bxe5 Nc6 46.Bd6 Kf7 47.Kb3? White must activate his light-squared bishop via h4 47...Ke6 48.Bc5 a6 49.Be2 Ke5 50.Bf8 g6 51.Bc5 Kf6 52.Bf8 g5 53.Kc2 Kg6 54. Bc5 h5 A nice plan - while White babysits the a-pawn and d3, Black sets to invade via f4! 55.Kd2 a5 56.Kc2 h4 57.gxh4 gxh4 58.Bd6 Kg5 59.Bg4 Nb4+ 60.Bxb4 axb4 61.Be2 Ba4+ 62.Kb2 Kf4 0-1

Round 2

Mike Emerson - Bruce Berquist

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 0-0 5. a3 Bxc3+ 6.Qxc3 h6 7.Bf4 b6? (Not in itself bad, but h6 and b6, giving up bishop

pair without doubling pawns, White can hold e4 in one move, and Black has problems with both ...d5 or ...c5.) 8.e3 Bb7 9. f3 d6 10.e4 Qe7 11.Bd3 a5 12.Ne2 Na6 13.0-0 Rac8 14.Rac1 Rfd8 15.Ng3 c5 16. d5 e5 17.Bd2 Ba8 18.Nf5 Qf8



19.f4! exf4? [19...Nd7] 20.Nxh6+ Kh8 21.Rxf4 Rd7 22.Rh4 Re8 23.Ng4+ (Notice how White's pieces were ready to pounce on the Black error!) Kg8 24.Nxf6+ gxf6 25.Rg4+ (Qg7 is too high a cost to prevent mate) 1-0

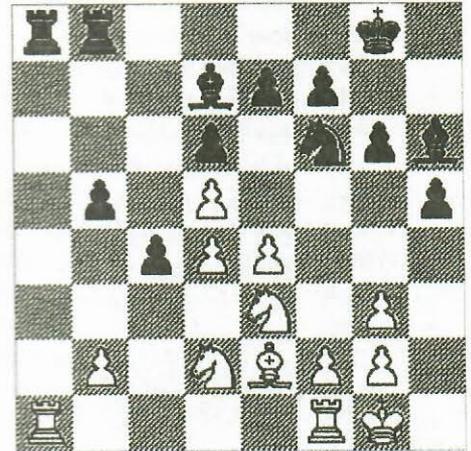
Andy Rea - Kerry Buckey

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.c4 Nf6 4.Nc3 Bf5 5. e3 [5.Qb3 e6 6.Qxb7 Na5] 5...e6 6.Bd3 Bg4 [6...Bxd3 7.Qxd3 Nb4 8.Qe2 dxc4 9.0-0 Nd3 10.b3 Nxc1 11.Rfxc1 Is Benkoesque for White, good development!] 7. cxd5 Nxd5 8.h3 Bh5 9.0-0 a6 10.Be2 Bg6 11.Qb3 Ndb4 12.e4 Nxd4 13.Nxd4 Qxd4 14.a3 Bd6 15.Be3 Qe5 16.f4 Qa5 17.axb4 Qxb4 18.Qxb4 Bxb4 19.f5 exf5 20.exf5 0-0-0 21.fxg6 fxg6 22.Rad1 Rde8 23.Bd4 Bxc3 24.Bg4+ 1-0

Joe Bihlmeyer - Renard Anderson

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.Bf4 Bg7 4.Nbd2 0-0 5.e4 d6 6.Be2 b6 7.c3 Bb7 8.Qc2 Qe8 9. Bg3 Nh5 10.Ng5 Nxc3 11.hxg3 h6 12. Nxf3 c5 13.d5 Nd7 14.a4 a6 15.Nc4 Qd8 For now, ...e6 is stopped, but not forever, so White should castle now - kingside is safer. 16.Ne3 Qc7 17.Ng4 h5 How does this get exploited? It doesn't, since Black regains the initiative! 18.Ne3 Nf6 19.Rd1 Bc8 20.0-0 Bd7 With g6 unsafe after ... e6, Black aims queenside. 21.Ra1 b5 22.

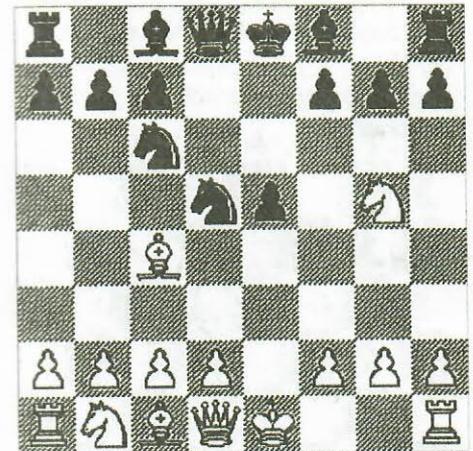
axb5 axb5 23.Nd2 Rfb8 24.Nb3 Qb6 25. Nd2 Bh6 26.Qd3 c4 27.Qd4 Qxd4 28. cxd4



Ng4 29.Nxg4 hxg4 30.f4 gxf3 31.Nxf3 Be3+ 32.Kh1 Bg4 33.Rxa8 Rxa8 34.Rb1 Kg7 35.Nh2 Bxe2 36.Re1 Bxd4 37.Rxe2 Ra1+ 0-1

Ron Rossi - LeRoy Nickelson

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Be4 Nf6 4.Ng5 d5 5. exd5 Nxd5 [There's a reason 5...Na5 is more popular. It surely is less stressful for Black!]



6.Nxf7 Kxf7 7.Qf3+ Ke6 8.Nc3 Ncb4 9. Qe4 c6 10.d4 Bd6 11.a3 Na6 12.Bxd5+ cxd5 13.Qxd5+ Ke7 [13...Kf6 14.Ne4+; 13...Kd7 14.dxe5 Qe7 15.Qxd6+ (15.Bf4); 13...Kf5 14.Qf7+] 14.Bg5+ 1-0 (26)

Jon Tindall - Eric Billaux

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 Nc6 3.Nf3 e6 4.a3 d5 5.e3 Be7 6.Nc3 0-0 7.Bd3 dxc4 8.Bxc4 b6 9.0-0 Na5 10.Bd3 c5 11.dxc5 bxc5 12.

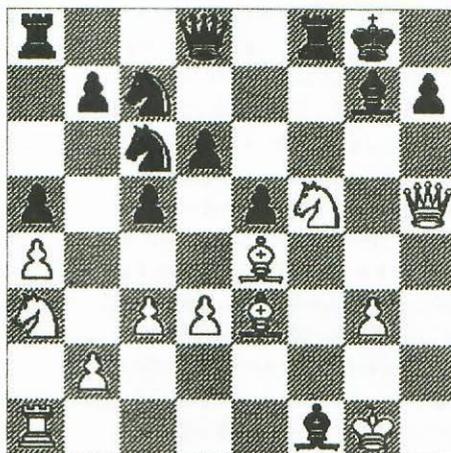
Rb1 Rb8 White can be satisfied with the opening - his stronger opponent has 2 isolated pawns, and a less than stellar attack. He can't be thrilled about the hole on b3, but is otherwise fine. 13.Qe2 Qc7 14.Rd1 e5 15.e4 h6 16.Nd2 Be6 17.Nc4 Nb3 18.f3 Nd4 19.Qf2 Rfd8 Black has also maneuvered skillfully! 20.Qg3 Bxc4 21.Bxc4 Bf8 22.Be3 [22.Bxh6 Nh5 23.Qh4 Nf6 24.Bg5] 22...Rb7 23.Qf2 Bd6 24.Nd5 Nxd5 25.Bxd5 Rb6 26.Qf1 Rdb8 27.Rd2 c4 28.Qxc4 Qxc4 29.Bxc4 Bxa3 30.Bxd4 exd4 31.b3 Bb4 32.Rd3 Bc3 33.Rc1 White wants the a-file 33...a5 34.h3 Rb4 35.Bd5 a4 36.bxa4 Rxa4 37.f4 Rb2 38.Kh2 Rab4 39.Rg3 Re2 40.e5 g5? 41.Rf1 Rb5? 42.Bc4 And White went on to win in 32 more moves 1-0

Round 3

Dain Lewis - Joe Bihlmeyer

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 b5 6.Bb3 Bc5 7.Re1 Bb7 8.c3 Ng4 Black's already gotten an active attack, but can't White block the diagonal? 9.d4 exd4 No! 10.cxd4 [10.Ng5 Nge5 11.Nxf7 Nxf7 12.Bxf7+ Kxf7 13.Qh5+] 10...Nxd4! 11.Nxd4? Qh4 Thud! 12.Nf3

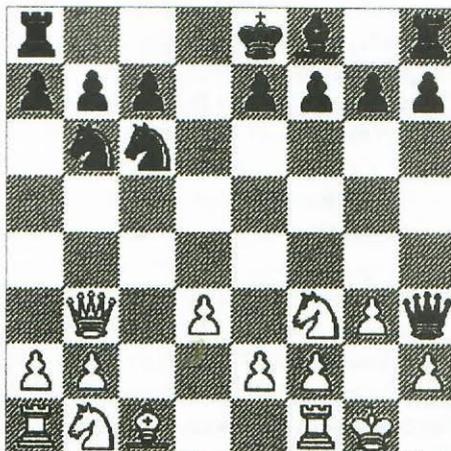
b4 with 10...Rb8 11.b4 b6 12. b5 Ne7, when Black's kingside potential is no less dangerous than White's queenside assault. The text allows White a cost-free grip on the light squares. 11...Ne8 12.Nfd2 Nc7 13.Na3 Ne7 14.f4 f6 15.Nf3 Nc6? The move itself is okay, but reflects a loss of the thread of the position: Since Black disdains ...f5, can he aim for ...d5? Is the king safer on h8? The latter allows ...Be6-g8. The rook is a target on a8 - better placed at b8? What does the text really do to improve the position and protect against White's plans? 16.f5 gxf5 17.Nh4 fxe4 18.Bxe4 Bxh3 19.Qh5 f5 20.Nxf5 Bxf1



21.Nxg7 Rf7 22.Qxh7+ Kf8 23.Qh8+ Ke7 24.Bg5+ Rf6 25.Qh4 Qf8 26.Rxf1 Ne8 27.Nxe8 Rxe8 28.Rxf6 1-0

Sepp Hochreiter - Jon Tindall

1.Nf3 d5 2.g3 Nf6 3.Bg2 Bg4 4.d3 Nc6 5.0-0 Qd7 6.c4 Bh3 7.Bxh3 Qxh3 8.cxd5 Nxd5 9.Qb3 Nb6



Qxf2+ 13.Kh1 Qg1+ White missed the smother mate! 0-1

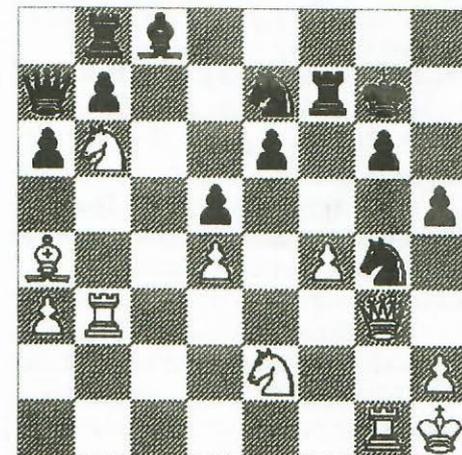
Daoud Zupa - Josh Smith

1.Nf3 c5 2.g3 g6 3.Bg2 Bg7 4.0-0 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.e4 Nc6 7.c3 Bd7 8.h3 0-0 9.Be3 e5 10.a3 a5 11.a4! Black may have been better advised to counter the threat of 11.

White's innocuous play conceals a wicked fork, as Black does not have everything under control! 10.Qxf7+! Kxf7 11.Ng5+ Ke8 12.Nxh3 Nd4 13.Nc3 Black hung in there for awhile, but a pawn down coupled with the weak e-pawn led to his demise after 39 moves. 1-0

Phillip Ponomarev - David Rice

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nc3 d5 3.Bg5 e6 4.e4 Be7 5.e5 Nfd7 6.Bxe7 Qxe7 7.f4 a6?! 8.Bd3 Qb4? 9.Nge2 Qxb2 10.a3 Qb6 11.0-0 Let's assess - for Black, a pawn, king in center, 4 pieces at home, and a knight able to reach ...f8. White has 2 files, a safer king, ready to attack Black's king on e8 or g8. Advantage White! 11...c5 12.Na4 Qa7 Optimistic! At least 12...Qc7 helps support f7. The poor lady has no help for her "attack." 13.c3 cxd4 14.cxd4 Nc6 15.Bc2 f6 16.exf6 Nxf6 17.Rb1 0-0 18.Nb6 Rb8 19.Qd3 Virtually a queen up, this should be a simple attack! 19...Ne7 20.g4 g6 21.Ba4 Nc6 [It's not, but 21...Nxg4 22.Nxc8 (22.Bd7 Bxd7 23.Nxd7) 22...Rbxc8 23.Bd7 is trouble, even if 23...Rc6 is playable. This line may have been the best practical chance, albeit a little less fun for White.] 22.Rb3 Nxg4 Anyway! White could have played 22.h3 with a strong position. Now he's down 2 pawns - but can Black defend? 23.Qh3 [23.Qg3] 23...h5 24.Qg3 Kg7? [24...Rf7] 25.Kh1 Rf7 26.Rg1 Ne7 27.Be8



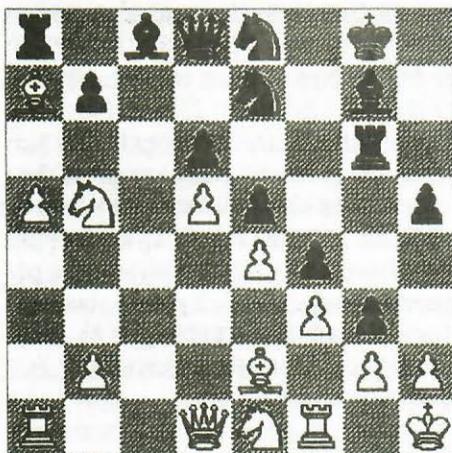
Rf6 28.h3 Nh6 29.Qg5 Nf7 30.Bxf7 [30.Qxh5] 30...Rxf7 31.Qxh5 Rf5 32.Qh4 Rf6 33.Qg5 [33.Ng3] 33...a5 34.Ng3 Kf7

35.Qh6 1-0

Round 4

Dan Avery - Renard Anderson

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5. d4 0-0 6.Be2 e5 7.0-0 Nc6 8.d5 Ne7 For those looking for pearls of opening theory, I am not a good source. I do know that currently 9.b4 is the "hot" move in this KID, but the text, as well as 9.Nd2, have at times been most popular. 9.Ne1 Ne8 10. f3 f5 11.Be3 f4 12.Bf2 h5 13.c5 g5 Let the un-subtleties begin! 14.cxd6 cxd6 15. a4 Rf6 16.a5 Rg6 Possibly h6 is better for the rook, then Nf6-g4 to hit the fan. But the text is clearly not a phantom menace for White! 17.Kh1 g4 18.Nb5 g3 19.Bxa7 diagram Black wants his queen to help the kingside attack, so we see the most spectacular move of 1999 so far! (?-mike)



19...Nf5!! All or nothing! 20.exf5 Rxa7 21.Bd3! [21.fxg6?? Qh4 22.h3 Bxh3 23. Rf2 Bxg2+ 24.Kxg2 Qh2+ 25.Kf1 Qxf2#, 21.Nxa7 Qh4 22.h3 Bxf5 Mates] 21...Ra8 [21...Qh4 - Fritz4] 22.Qc2 Rh6 The smoke has not cleared, but now that White has defensive prospects, Black's problem is not so much the pawn deficit, but that White has strong queenside pressure. 23. h3 Bd7 24.a6!? bxa6?! 25.Nc3 a5 26.Bb5 Rf6 27.Bxd7 Qxd7 28.b4 This shot puts Black on the brink of defeat - no kingside attack, bad bishop, how to stop the passer and not see White's queen & rooks switch to the exposed kingside? (Fritz4 actually rates this position with a slight edge to Black - mike) 28...Rxf5 29.Rxa5 Rc8 30.

Qd3 Rf7 31.Ne4 Bf6 32.Ra6 Be7 33.Nc2 Rb8 34.Nc3 Ng7 35.Rfa1 Nf5 36.b5 Nd4 37.Ra7 Qc8? [37...Qf5= Fritz4] 38.Nxd4 exd4 39.Ne2 Rg7 40.Nxf4 Qe8 41.Ne6 Rh7 42.Nxd4 Qf7 43.Nc6 Re8 44.Nxe7+ Rxe7 45.Rxe7 Qxe7 46.Qg6+ 1-0

Mike Emerson - Sepp Hochreiter

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 Ne8 10.Nd2 f5 11.c5 f4 12.Bg4 12...a5 13.bxa5 leaves Black with queenside issues to deal with, so no need to lose time - 12...h5 13.Bxc8 Rxc8 14.f3 g5 15.a4 Ng6 16.Nc4 Rf7 [Supporting g4 via 16...Nf6 looks fine, seeing as d6 is safe - but since ...g4, even ...g3 lack follow-up, this suggestion could face problems from Bc1-a3 and Rac1. So Black leaves his base protected.] 17.Na5 Rb8 18.Ra2 Bf8 19.c6 b6 20.Nc4 Until Black gets in ...g4, his bishop is a tall pawn - and the b8 rook is not a "tower of power" either! 20...Rg7 21. Kh1 Nh4 22.g3 fxg3 23.hxg3 Ng6 24.Ne3 Rh7 25.Rh2 h4 26.g4 Ng7 27.Nf5 Nxf5? [27...Be7 would be tougher to crack.] 28. exf5 Nf4 29.Ne4 Be7 30.Bxf4 gxf4? [30... exf4] 31.g5 Qf8 32.f6 Bd8 33.Rg1 h3 34. Qd3 Kh8 35.Qf1 Qg8 36.g6 Qxd5 37. Rxb3 with mate in 6 - Fritz4 1-0

Round 5

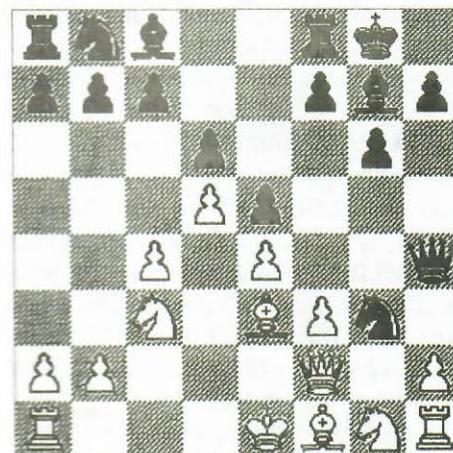
Josh Bloomer - Doug Hamilton

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d3 d6 4.g3 Nc6 5.Bg2 Be7 6.Nbd2 Nf6 7.0-0 0-0 8.c3 Ne5 9. Qe2 Nxf3+ 10.Nxf3 Rb8 11.d4 b6 12. Rd1 Qc7 13.e5 Nd7 14.h4! Bb7 15.Bf4 The point of h4 - development with a purpose! 15...Rbd8 16.Kh2 h6 17.dxc5 Nxc5 18.Qe3 Bc6 19.Rd4 Nb7 20.Bxh6 dxe5 21.Bxg7 exd4 22.Qh6 f6 23.Bh3 Kf7 24. Ng5+ Ke8 25.Nxe6 Qe5 26.Bxf8 Bxf8 27. Qxf8+ Kd7 28.Nxd8+ [28.Nc5+ Kc7 29. Na6#] 28...Kc7 29.Ne6+ Kd7 30.Nc5+ Kc7 31.Na6# 1-0

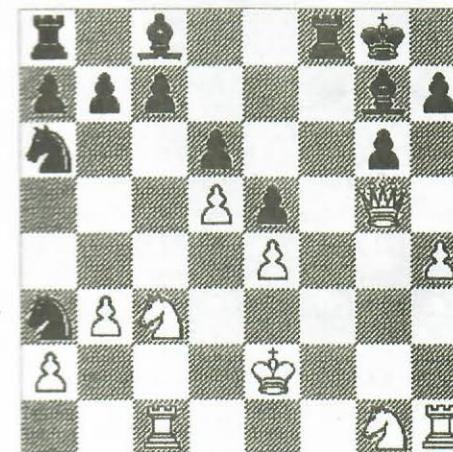
Andy Rea - Mike Klein

1.d4 g6 2.c4 Bg7 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.e4 d6 5.f3 0-0 6.Be3 e5 7.d5 Nh5 8.Qd2 Qh4+ This bit of imbalance is from Bronstein! White can evade with the queen trading 9.Qf2 Qxf2+ 10.Bxf2 f5 - not exactly bad for

Black. Or 9.Bf2 Qf4. The text is book for a few moves. 9.g3 Nxc3 10.Qf2

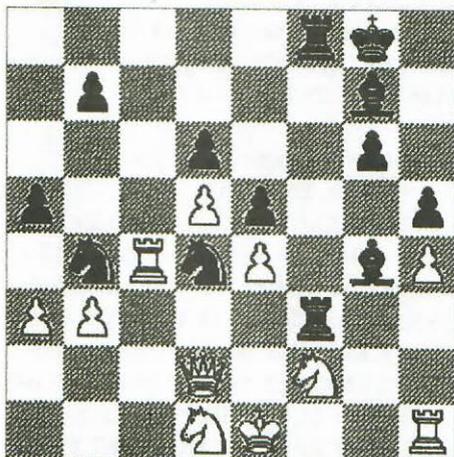


Nxf1!! (Note to Andy - this is the most spectacular move I've seen this year! - Mike) 11.Qxh4 Nxe3 12.Ke2 Nxc4 Now the standard line is 13.Rc1 a6, but I try to be cute. 13.b3 The "natural" move seems to be 13...Nb6, met by 14.Nb5 Na6 15. Rc1. The text stops this, and keeps a view to d4. 13...Na3 14.Rc1 Na6 15.Qg5 [This seems fine, trying to hit the h-file, but 15. Nh3 to activate at f2 may be better.] 15... f5 Incredibly, with both knights developed on the edge, 2 so-so bishops, and two pieces and two pawns for the queen, Fritz4 still gives Black the slight edge - this game was fascinating to watch - Mike 16. h4 fxe4 17.fxe4



Black wants to play ...Bg4 to harass the king. Where there's a will there's a way! 17...h5 18.Nh3 [18.Qxg6 Bg4+ 19.Ke1 Rf6 20.Qg5 Kf7-+] 18...Bg4+ 19.Ke1 Nb4 20.Qd2 Rf3 21.Nf2 Raf8 22.Ncd1

The trick is to see if I can hit near g7 before his knights arrive, but Black has seen more! a5 23.Rxc7 [23.Rxc3 is barely not losing by force, since I figure to lose anyway, I go for the most offense...] Nb5 Black calls the bluff 24.Rc4 Nd4 25.a3 [Not liking the e-file or a pending ...Bh6 or ...Bg3, I resist the necessary 25.Rxd4 exd4 and try one last time to confuse the issue...]



25...Rxf2 He didn't buy it, so now I buy the farm... 26.Qxf2 Nd3+ 27.Kf1 Nxf2 28.Nxf2 Be2+ 29.Ke1 Bxc4 30.bxc4 Rc8 0-1

Charles Martin - Sean Cabrera

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nc3 d5 3.g3 e6 4.Bg2 c5 5.Nf3 a6 6.0-0 Nc6 7.e3 Bd6 8.a3 0-0 9.Re1 b5 10.e4 dxe4 11.Nxe4 Nxe4 12.Rxe4 Bb7 13.c3 Qc7 14.Rh4 Rfd8 15.Qc2 g6 16.Ng5 h5 17.Rxh5 gxh5 18.Qh7+ Kf8 19.Bh3 [19.Bf3 Seems to be the most promising offensive threat] 19...Re8 20.Nxe6+? 20.Nxe4 was still enough here - now Black survives! 20...Rxe6 21.Bxe6 [21.Bh6+] 21...fxe6 22.Bh6+ Ke8 23.Qg8+ Kd7 24.Qg6 Ne7 25.Qf7 Qc6 26.f3 Rg8 [This extends the game, the simple 26...Qxf3 forces a queen trade 2 pieces up. Still, Black held on to win on the 36th] 0-1

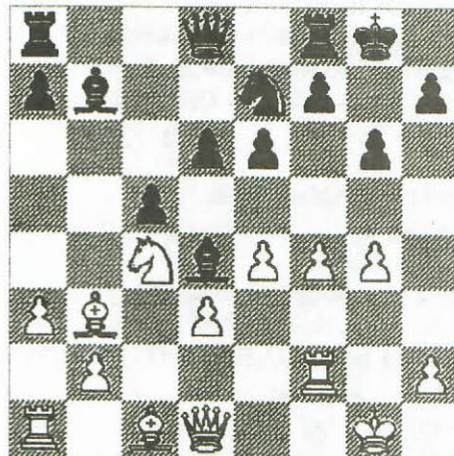
Shane Gaschler - Josh Smith

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 g6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Bg7 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Be3 Nf6 7.Bc4 Qa5 8.0-0 9.Nb3 Qc7 10.Bg5 d6 11.Re1 a6 12.Bf1 b5 13.a4 b4 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.exd5 Ne5 16.a5 Re8 17.f4? Too ambitious, al-

though black already has better pieces. Moves like 17. Rb1 are so uninspiring! 17...Ng4 18.Bh4 Bxb2 19.Rb1 Qa7+ 20.Kh1 Bf6 21.Bg3 h5! 22.Re2 Bd7 23.Qc1 Kg7 24.h3 Rh8! This was the idea behind 21...h5. Black's knight is very hard to dislodge. 25.Bh2? [25.hxg4 hxg4+ 26.Bh2 Rxh2+ 27.Kxh2 Rh8+ 28.Kg3 Bh4+ 29.Kh2 Bf2#] 25...Nf2+ 26.Rxf2 Qxf2 27.Bg1 Qg3 28.Bd3 Bxh3!? 29.gxh3 Qxh3+ 30.Bh2 Qf3+ 31.Kg1 Qxd5 32.Qe1 Rac8 33.Qe2 Rc3 34.Qg2 Rxd3! 35.cxd3 Qxd3 36.Nd2 Rc8 0-1

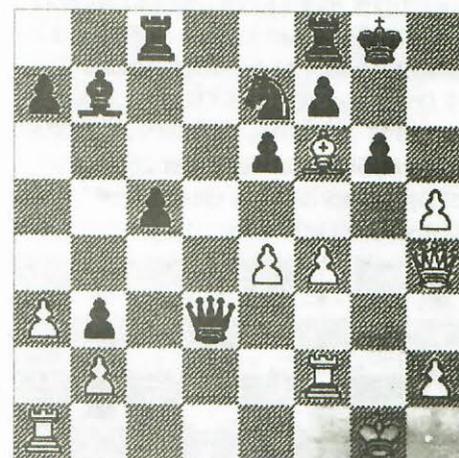
Mike Fuchs - Daoud Zupa

Andy suggested I should annotate this upset myself. Consider this The Return of the Psycho-B-Player, topic: "fixation." 1. e4 c5 2.Bc4 Nc6 3.f4 g6 4.c3 Bg7 5.Nf3 e6 6.d3 Nge7 7.Nbd2 0-0 8.Bb3 d6 9.0-0 b5 10.Rf2 Played to allow Nf1, but I don't have time for that. 10...b4 11.cxb4 Nxb4 12.Nc4 Bb7 13.a3 Nbc6 14.g4 Nd4 15.Nxd4 Bxd4



16.Be3?! [I am now committed (or should be) 16.Ne3 Is the safer alternative, but have you ever known me to be safe?! - I expected what follows, and was prepared to win in a blaze of glory or get shot down in flames.] 16...d5 17.Bxd4 dxc4 18.Bf6 [18.Bxc5 cxb3 19.Qxb3 Qd7] 18...cxb3 19.Qf3 Qd7 This natural pin-breaking move is not necessary, and will cost Black a tempo later with a nice defensive tactic which won't be available. i.e - [19...Re8 20.Qh3 a5 21.Qh6 Nf5!] That Fritz4 rates me less than a pawn down, when I've sacrificed a piece gives me some solace.

Maybe the sac wasn't *totally* unsound. 20. Qh3 h5 [20...Qd8 21.Qh6 (21.Qh4 Re8 22.Rf3) 21...Nf5-+; 20...Nd5 21.exd5 Qxd5 22.Re2+- (22.Kf1) ; 20...e5 21.Qh6 Qxg4+ 22.Rg2 Qxg2+ 23.Kxg2 Nf5 24. Qh3+-] 21.gxh5 Rac8 When Daoud played this mellow move, with a calm confidence, I suddenly realized that my attack was not entirely winning! 22.Qh4 Trying to at least put on some pressure and retrieve the piece. [22.hxg6 fxg6 23.Qh8+ Kf7 24.Qg7+ Ke8 And my attack falls short.] 22...Qxd3??



Fixation!! Daoud realized he could cover the h8 square via ...Nxe6, and although he had earlier noted the g7 square, he became fixated on the mate at h8. [22...Nd5 23.exd5 (23.hxg6 Nxf6 24.g7 Nh7 25.gxf8R+ Rxf8) 23...Qxd5 24.Kf1] 23.hxg6 Now it all mates. [23.hxg6 Qd1+ 24.Rxd1 fxg6 25.Qh8+ Kf7 26.Qg7+ Ke8 27.Qxe7#] 23...Nxe6 24.Qh6 I was very happy with this game, as Daoud is someone I've always feared and respected. I'm glad he let his guard down long enough for me to catch him once! 1-0

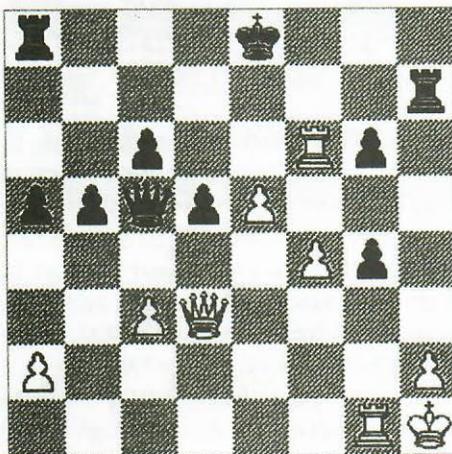
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In Memoriam

Steve Smith, 1955 - 1999

1977 Colorado Open: Jerry Kearns - Steve Smith, RUY LOPEZ

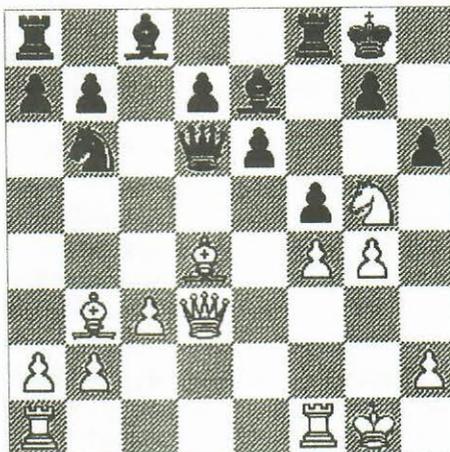
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33...Rxb2+! 0:1

1977 Wyoming Open: Steve Smith - Judson Temple, SICILIAN Smith-Morra Gambit. Notes by Steve Smith

1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.c3 Nf6 4.e5 Nd5 5.Bc4 Qc7 6.Qe2 Nb6 7.Bb3 d3?! 8.Qxd3 Qxe5+ 9.Be3 e6 10.Nf3 Qc7 11.0-0 Be7 12.Nbd2 0-0 13.Ne4 f5 14.Neg5 Nc6 15.g4! Ne5! 16.Nxe5 Qxe5 17.f4 Qd6 18.Bd4 h6?



16.Rfd1 e5 17.Nf5 f6 18.Qd5 Rc7 19.f3 Kd8 20.Qd2 Qc8 21.Bf2 Nd4 22.Nxd4 exd4 23.Bxd4 Rxc1 24.Rxc1 Qb8 25.Bb6+ Ke7 26.Rc7+ Ke6 27.Bc4+ d5 28.Bxd5+ Ke5 29.Rxb7 1:0

1978 Denver Open: Marc Lynn - Steve Smith, DUTCH

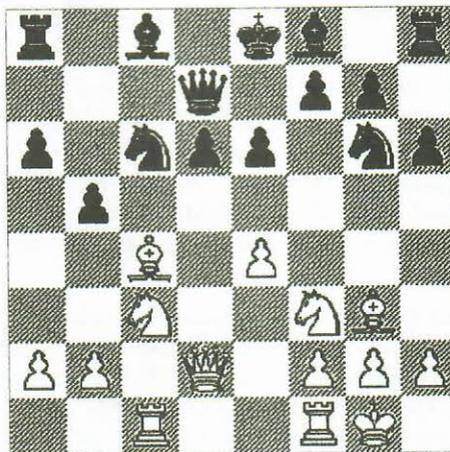
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19.gxf5! hxg5 20.fxe6 dxe6 21.Bc2 Bf6? (21...Rf5) 22.Qh7+ Kf7 23.fxg5 Ke8 24.gxf6 gxf6 25.Rxf6 Rxf6 26.Bxf6 Qc5+ 27.Kh1 Qc6+ 28.Be4 Qd7 29.Bg6+ Kf8 30.Qh8# 1:0

1978 Al Wallace Memorial:

Steve Smith - Jeff Maguire, SICILIAN Smith-Morra

1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.c3 dxc3 4.Nxc3 Nc6 5.Nf3 d6 6.Bc4 e6 7.0-0 Nge7 8.Bg5 a6 9.Rc1 h6 10.Bh4 Qd7 11.Qd2 Ng6 12.Bg3 b5



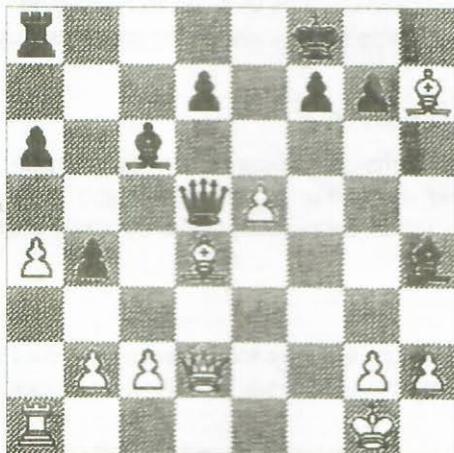
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1981 Winter Park Open: Steve Smith - Alexander Fishbein, VIENNA

1.e4 e5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.f4 d6 4.Bb5 Bd7 5.d3 Nf6 6.Nf3 Nd4 7.Bc4 Bg4 8.fxe5 Bxf3 9.gxf3 dxe5 10.Bg5 Be7 11.0-0 Nh5 12.f4 Nxf4 13.Bxf4 exf4 14.Rxf4 0-0 15.Qf1 Qd6 16.Kh1 Nxc2 17.Rxf7 Rxf7 18.Qxf7+ Kh8 19.Rg1 Bf6 20.Nb5 Qc5 21.Qxc7 Qxc7 22.Nxc7 Rc8 23.Nb5 Bxb2 24.Nxa7 Rf8 25.Rb1 Ne3 26.Be6 Rf2 27.Re1 Nc2 28.Rb1 Nd4 29.Bg4 g6 30.Kg1 Rd2 31.a4 h5 32.Bd1 Ne6 33.Nb5 Ng5 34.d4 Nh3+ 35.Kf1 Bxd4 36.Nxd4 Rxd4 37.Kg2 Ng5 38.e5 Rd2+ 39.Kg3 Ne4+ 40.Kf4 Nc3 41.Rxb7 Rxd1 42.Kg5 Rg1+ 43.Kh6 Kg8 44.a5 Ra1 45.Kxg6 Kf8 46.Rh7 Rxa5 47.Rxb5 Ne2 48.Kf6 Kg8 49.Rg5+ Kf8 50.h4 Nf4 51.h5 Ra6+ 52.Kf5 Ne6 53.Rg6 1/2:1/2

Correspondence 1988: Steve Smith - David Burris, SICILIAN

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.f4 e6 4.Nf3 Nge7 5. d4 cxd4 6.Nxd4 Nxd4 7.Qxd4 a6 8.Bd3 b5 9.0-0 Bb7 10.a4! Nc6 11.Qf2 b4 12. Nd5! exd5 13.exd5 Be7 14.dxc6 Bxc6 15. Be3 0-0 16.Bb6 Qb8 17.Bd4 Qd6 18. Rfe1 Rfe8 19.Re5 Bh4 20.Bxh7+ Kf8 21. Qd2 Rxe5 22.fxe5 Qd5



23.Rf1! Ke8 24.Bg8 Qe4 25.Bxf7+ 1:0

1991 Wyoming Open: Bob Butler - Steve Smith, DUTCH

1.d4 f5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Bg5 e6 4.e3 Be7 5. Nbd2 b6 6.Bd3 Bb7 7.c3 0-0 8.Qc2 c5 9. h3 Na6 10.0-0-0 d5 11.g4 c4 12.Be2 Ne4 13.Bxe7 Qxe7 14.Rdf1 b5 15.Ne5 b4 16. gxf5 exf5 17.Nxe4 fxe4 18.Kb1 bxc3 19. Qxc3 Nc7 20.Bd1 Rf6 21.Ba4 Rb6 22. Rh2 Nb5 23.Bxb5 Rxb5 24.Rc1 Rb8 25. Rg2 a5 26.Rcg1 g6 27.Rg5 a4 28.Nxc4 Rc8 29.Qa3 Qxa3 30.Nxa3 Rb6 31.h4 Ba6 32.Rxd5 Bd3+ 33.Ka1 Rcb8 34.h5 Rxb2 35.hxg6 hxg6 36.Rxg6+ Kf7 37. Rg1 Rxf2 38.Nb1 Bc4 39.Nc3 Bxd5 40. Nxd5 Rbb2 41.Nc3 a3 42.Rc1 Rbc2 43. Kb1 Rb2+ 44.Ka1 Rfc2 45.Rf1+ Ke7 46. Na4 Rxa2+ 47.Kb1 Rf2 48.Rc1 Kf6 49. Rg1 Kf5 50.Rg8 Rae2 51.Rf8+ Kg4 52. Rxf2 Rxf2 53.Nc3 Kf3 54.Kc1 a2 0:1

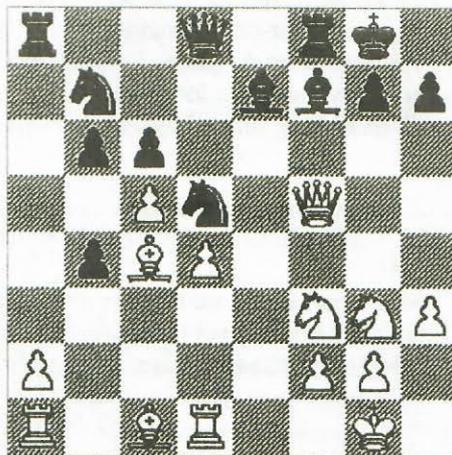
1991 Tri-State Match (Idaho vs Wyoming): Bill Gosvenor - Steve Smith, CENTER COUNTER

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Nbd2 Nf5 13.Qa4 Qd7 14.Bf4 g5 15.Bg3 Be7 16.Nd4 c5 17.Qxd7+ Kxd7 18.Nxf5 Bxf5 19.f4 Rhb8 20.b3 a5 21.fxg5 hxg5 22.Bf2 a4 23.h3 Ra5 24.g4 Bg6 25.Be3 Kc6 26.Rac1 axb3 27.axb3 Ra2 28.b4 exb4 29.cxb4+ Kd7 30.Nf3 Rxb4 31. Bxg5 Bxg5 32.Nxg5 Rbb2 33.Rf6 Rg2+ 34.Kf1 Bd3+ 35.Ke1 Rg1+ 0:1

Pikes Peak Open, round 6, continued from page 23

Josh Bloomer-Philipp Ponomarev SCANDINAVIAN 1.e4 d5 2.ed5 Nf6 3. d4 Nd5 4.Nf3 Bg4 5.Be2 e6 6.h3 Bh5 7.0-0 Be7 8.c4 Nb6 9.Nc3 0-0 10.c5?! Nd5 11.Qb3 b6 12.Rd1 Nc6 13.Qa4 Na5 14.Ne4 f5 15.Ng3 Be8 16.Qc2 Nb7 17. Bc4 Na5 18.Be2 Nb7 19.Bc4 c6! 20.b4 a5 21.Qe2 ab4? (Philipp correctly points out that Nc3 was better.) 22.Qe6+ Bf7 23. Qf5



Nc3! (Phil gives this an exclam. This may be better than 23...Ne3 because White may choose to play 24.Bf7+ Rf7?! 25.Qf7+) 24.Bf7+ Rf7 25.Qe6 Nd1 26.Ne5 Qd5! 27.Qd5 cd5 28.Nf7 Kf7 29.Nf5 Nc3 30. Ne7 Ke7 31.Bg5+ Kf7 32.Re1 Re8 and 0-1.

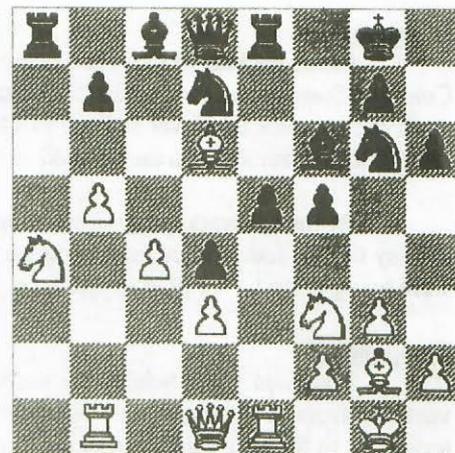
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Round 3

Sepp Hochreiter - James McCarty

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.Nc3 d5 3.g3 d4 4.Na4 e6 5. c4 Be7 6.d3 0-0 7.Bg2 c5 8.0-0 Nc6 9.a3 e5 10.Rb1 Nd7 11.Bd2 a5 12.e3 f5 13.

exd4 cxd4 14.Re1 Bf6 15.b4 axb4 16. axb4 h6 17.b5 Ne7 18.Bb4 Re8 19.Bd6 Ng6



20.b6 e4 21.Bc7 Qe7 22.dxe4 fxe4 23. Nxd4 Bxd4 24.Rxe4 Bxf2+ 25.Kxf2 Qf6+ 26.Kg1 Rxe4 27.Bxe4 Nde5 28.Nc5 [28.Qd5+] 28...Bh3 29.Bd5+ Kh8 30.Ne4 Nf3+ 31.Kf2 Ra2+ 32.Ke3 Qf5 33.Ra1 Rxa1 34.Qxa1 Nxb2 35.Qa8+ Nf8 36. Bd6 When I first saw this position (I had been checking out the game from the start), I thought Jim must have something up his sleeve, because it looked awfully good for White. 36...Qf3+ 37.Kd4 Qd1+ 38.Kc5 Qg1+ 39.Kb4 Qb1+ 40.Kc3 Qc1+ 41.Kd3 Qb1+ 42.Ke3 Qc1+ [42... Qb3+] 43.Kd3 Qb1+ 44.Kc3 Qc1+ 45. Kb4 Qb1+ 46.Kc5 Qg1+ 47.Kb5 Bd7+ 48.Kb4 Qb1+ A wrong move by either player will end the game. Jim will lose on f8 in a hurry if he runs out of checks, and Sepp must be very, very careful not to get mated or allow a draw by repetition. [48... Qxb6+ 49.Ka3] 49.Kc3 Qc1+ 50.Kd3 Qb1+ 51.Ke2 White may have escaped! Black must find checks or a mate! 51... Bg4+ 52.Kf2 Qb2+ 53.Ke3 Qc1+ 54. Kd3 Qb1+ 55.Kd4 Qg1+? Ouch! Jim finally makes a mistake. Will Sepp find the right square? Yep - 56.Ke5 Kh7 [56...Bc8] 57.Bxf8 Qxb6 58.Qxb7 Qxb7 59.Bxb7 Kg8 60.Bd6 Kf7 61.Bd5+ Ke8 62.c5 Be8 63.Be6 Bb7 64.Nd2 g5 65.Kf5 g4 66.Kf4 h5 67.Bf5 Kd8 68.Be4 Ba6 69. Kg5 Be2 70.c6 Nf3+ 71.Nxf3 gxf3 72.c7+ Kd7 73.Bf5+ Kxd6 74.c8Q Kd5 75.Qc3 Kd6 76.Qd4+ Kc6 77.Kf6 1-0

Scholastics Report for 1998-99
by Bruce Galler

Highlights

Chess for kids in Colorado is growing year over year. Each year we have more participation in our sponsored event, the Colorado State Chess Tournament. We are sending students to nationwide tournaments and they are performing well. There are more chess camps than ever before in Colorado. This summer Bruce Pandolfini taught at one of the camps. We sent teams of children to the Nationals, and they scored in the top ten in the nation! We can be very proud of our children here in Colorado.

At the Colorado State Chess Tournament, we increased the involvement of parents and children by using technology to display the top four boards outside the playing room. We had some of Colorado's best chess minds comment on the games as they were being played. We plan to do that again this year.

Financials

Financially, the Scholastics spent a bit more than they earned this year, and will be changing some of its policies to prevent that from occurring again. We will be soliciting donations from the constituency this year and using that money, only if it materializes, to fund a t-shirt or something at the state tournament. We have raised the fees for the tournament slightly to cover costs of postage, room rental, trophies, etc.

Plans for the upcoming year

We are in the process of sending out our fall mailing to our mailing list of 650 people. We have four tournaments lined up this fall and winter, with two more already scheduled in the spring. This is great, and thanks to our friends in Colorado Springs and Fountain for nailing down the dates so early.

We are also tossing around the idea of a Junior/Senior Invitational tournament this year, where we would match our best youngsters against some of our senior/legacy players in a for-fun tournament.

Lastly, we plan to continue the State Tournament at Arapahoe Community College. We will also be helping to organize the Denver Chess League. George Lombardi, who has handled it for the last three years has left the area, and Bruce Galler, along with Paul Mason, Ed Taylor, and John Sims will be making sure it happens this year.

Secretary's Report (continued from page 23)

-The Treasurer's report came next. Dean reported that we had a current balance of \$2023.13. That included a loan from the Colorado Springs Chess Club, and tour fee moneys that had yet to be paid out. Our net loss for the year was \$791. Much of this was the result of our heavy involvement in the U. S. Championships, the Senior Open, and the super-sized *Informant* that followed.

-Bruce Galler was up next to report on Scholastics – his report is printed at the top of this page. Not included in the report was some brief discussion about CSCA memberships and dues in conjunction with Scholastic events. CSCA membership has not been required at Scholastics as it is in the standard tournaments, and the suggestion had been made to require memberships. As this is an issue that doesn't require membership approval (Scholastics has been generating its own money separate from the CSCA treasury), just a brief discussion took place.

Katie and Bruce suggested that there could be a Scholastics section in the *Informant*, featuring Scholastics and/or instructional articles. This idea met with murmurs of approval, and I'll be happy to include it if/when the submissions roll in.

- Next up, our state delegate Buck reported on the state of the USCF. For a more thorough report please see Buckspeak on page 4. The USCF is still bleeding money, and estimates range from 400-800K. There is a new Board consisting of Pres – Bob Smith, VP – John McCrary, Secretary – Doris Barry, Treasurer – Jim Peachack, Members-at large – Tim Redman, Joe Ippolito, Helen Warren, and Garrett Scott. (Check the October Chess Life for spellings.)

The Scholastics Board is making noises about breaking away from USCF and becoming an entity unto itself, this storm seems to have gone by the board this year.

There have been some rule changes. The most notable and important is in deference to the proliferation of digital clocks. If their opponent is late, White can no longer start Black's clock and wait until the other player arrives to start the clock. White needs to start their own clock, make their move, and then hit the clock. This addresses digital clocks with move counters, which are set to count beginning with White's first move. I expect the full report of the meeting and the rule changes to be available in the October Chess Life.

- Next up was the issue of the People's Fair. This has been a losing financial venture for us for many years, but a great way to bring chess to the people and distribute literature. After some brief discussion, the "It's worth it" crowd seemed to win out, and no plans were made to change how we do business there.

- Dan Avery, head of the committee formed at last year's meeting to present a Colorado Chess MVP, presented a list of candidates. This award was created to recognize the Colorado Chess person who made the biggest impact, contribution, etc., to Colorado Chess for the year. As this was the first annual award, we had to knock out some details first, and decided the membership and not the Board should select the winners, and the winner would receive a \$25 gift certificate to Amazon.com. The nominees were: Renard Anderson, Jon and Barbara Fortune (I nominated them as a team), Rick Nelson, Richard Buchanan, Andy Rea, and Randy Canney (Randy was nominated for his performance at the Colorado Closed, but chose to decline the nomination). When the votes were tallied the winner was... a tie! Rick Nelson and Richard Buchanan split the 1998-99 Colorado Chess MVP award and will each have \$12.50 to blow at Amazon.com.

- Now the fun began. The dues increase issue. The first question was whether or not proxy voting would be allowed. Our organization, founded in the dark ages, didn't anticipate e-mail, and didn't allow for proxy voting in the By-Laws. Perhaps we will vote on another By-Laws change next year?!

The main question in the discussion against an increase was whether or not we actually need a dues increase. With the present level of dues, we do seem to "get by," but we had to hold our *State Championship* tournament on the top floor of the VFW for financial considerations!

The main arguments for an increase were that a) It's worth it; and b) The Board deserves to have flexibility to bid on large tournaments, and to better hold our state majors.

A straw poll revealed almost overwhelming support for the issue, and it will be put to a vote on November 21st at the Quick Chess Championships. Please see page 4 for the complete text of the motion to be voted on, and details of the vote and voting site and time.

- After losing our sponsorship of the Colorado Chess Tour, we saw a major drop in the available prize monies available. Dan Avery addressed this issue with a motion to increase tour fees to \$1.50 per player per event. After some discussion and amending to his motion, it was passed. **The CSCA will raise the Tour fees from \$.50 per player per Tour event to \$1.50 per player per Tour event, with all monies allocated to Tour prizes, trophies, and awards.**

- The next order of business was the electing of officers. Only one officer was opposed, so Richard Buchanan, David Helt, Michael Fuchs, Dean Brown, and Katie Roberts-Hoffman retained their offices by acclamation. Dan Avery and Andy Rea squared off for the available member-at-large seat, with Dan winning a fairly tight race.

- The final order of business was to elect USCF people. Richard Buchanan won in a vote over Manus Smith to retain his position as the USCF Delegate for Colorado. Only five members were nominated for the USCF Voting Member position (we have four positions to fill and alternates), and they were accepted by acclamation. The USCF Voting Members are Manus Smith, Andy Rea, Dan Avery, Vance Aandahl, and Michael Fuchs.

- Unfortunately, the meeting closed late, creating grief to the players waiting to resume their action. As I mentioned earlier, perhaps we can look at reconfiguring the Colorado Open to better accommodate the meeting. Doctor Ponomarev brought up a good point prior to the election of officers - that we had not allowed time for discussion. Maybe we can improve on that in the future.

Yours in chess - Mike Fuchs

1999 Northwest Colorado Open**Open Section**

Name	Rate	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd3	Rd 4	Score
1. Joelson, Dan E.....	2174	W 7	W 3	D 2	W 4	3.5
2. Rea, Andrew B.....	2117	W 10	W 4	D 1	W 5	3.5
3. Svare, Shawn L.....	1527	W 9	L 1	W 10	D 6	2.5
4. Smith, Josh.....	1714	W 8	L 2	W 5	L 1	2.0
5. Walker, Brian L.....	1610	W 6	W 7	L 4	L 2	2.0
6. Bagstad, Gary L.....	1700	L 5	L 10	W 9	D 3	1.5
7. Hamilton, Doug.....	1675	L 1	L 5	W 8	D 9	1.5
8. Kern, Wolfgang.....	1644	L 4	D 9	L 7	W 10	1.5
9. Hoak, Don.....	1686	L 3	D 8	L 6	D 7	1.0
10. Ohnmacht, Michael.....	1646	L 2	W 6	L 3	L 8	1.0

U1600 Section

Name	Rate	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd3	Rd 4	Score
1. Nelson, Rick.....	1566	W 14	W 7	W 6	W 5	4.0
2. Anderson, Robert L.....	1575	W 12	D 10	W 18	W 9	3.5
3. Anderson, Paul Dou.....	1553	W 15	W 8	L 5	W 11	3.0
4. Cunningham, Allan.....	1539	L 19	W 23	W 13	W 12	3.0
5. Naszodi, Laszlo.....	1295	W 22	W 9	W 3	L 1	3.0
6. Jones, Derald.....	1446	W 20	W 11	L 1	D 8	2.5
7. Toups, Ray.....	1340	W 21	L 1	D 14	X---	2.5
8. Aragon, Joseph R.....	1293	W 16	L 3	W 19	D 6	2.5
9. Laird, Anthony R.....	1559	W 13	L 5	W 10	L 2	2.0
10. Brown, Dean W.....	1389	W 24	D 2	L 9	D 14	2.0
11. Scott, Elizabeth G.....	1243	W 17	L 6	W 16	L 3	2.0
12. Naszodi, Marton.....	1241	L 2	W 24	W 20	L 4	2.0
13. Kitchens, Milton N.....	1152	L 9	W 22	L 4	W 20	2.0
14. Fortune, Jon.....	1142	L 1	W 21	D 7	D 10	2.0
15. Ufer, Allan.....	1111	L 3	L 16	W 23	W 21	2.0
16. Hertz, A. D.....	unr	L 8	W 15	L 11	W 23	2.0
17. Boomgaard, Craig.....	unr	L 11	L 20	W 24	W 19	2.0
18. Engles, Michael.....	1412	D 23	W 19	L 2	F---	1.5
19. Miller, Michael J.....	1060	W 4	L 18	L 8	L 17	1.0
20. Crose, Kendel Boyd.....	1004	L 6	W 17	L 12	L 13	1.0
21. Schneider, Kathy A.....	681	L 7	L 14	W 22	L 15	1.0
22. Fiske, Lawrence E.....	unr	L 5	L 13	L 21	W 24	1.0
23. Hoak, Maria.....	883	D 18	L 4	L 15	L 16	0.5
24. Fortune, Barbara.....	682	L 10	L 12	L 17	L 22	0.0

1999 Colorado Open**Open Section**

	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
1 Valvo, Michael.....2441	W 19	W 8	W 14	W 6	W 5	D 3	5.5
2 Billaux, Eric.....2146	D 17	W 21	W 13	D 9	W 16	W 5	5.0
3 Anderson, Renard.....2231	W 23	W 12	W 4	L 5	W 6	D 1	4.5
4 Avery, Dan.....2099	W 15	W 30	L 3	D 10	W 13	W 11	4.5
5 Ponomarev, Philipp.....1962	W 35	W 33	W 7	W 3	L 1	L 2	4.0
6 Hochreiter, Sepp.....2100	W 18	W 22	W 9	L 1	L 3	W 16	4.0
7 Schlagenhauf, Mark.....2107	W 31	D 13	L 5	W 19	D 10	W 12	4.0
8 Shedd, Mike.....2031	W 32	L 1	L 16	W 25	W 18	W 17	4.0
9 McCarty, Jim.....2339	W 10	W 11	L 6	D 2	L 12	W 22	3.5
10 Garcia, Richard.....1888	L 9	W 36	W 30	D 4	D 7	D 15	3.5
11 Hammersmith, Jim.....2052	W 36	L 9	W 23	D 17	X---	L 4	3.5
12 Landers, David.....1967	W 25	L 3	D 27	W 21	W 9	L 7	3.5
13 Jex, Joshua.....1918	W 34	D 7	L 2	W 31	L 4	W 21	3.5
14 Rea, Andy.....2117	W 27	W 29	L 1	L 16	D 17	W 23	3.5
15 Weiss, Emanuel.....1503	L 4	W 26	D 19	H---	W 27	D 10	3.5
16 Schreiber, Ed.....1835	L 33	W 35	W 8	W 14	L 2	L 6	3.0
17 Doykos, Ken.....1800	D 2	W 24	D 33	D 11	D 14	L 8	3.0
18 Svare, Shawn.....1527	L 6	X---	W 22	L 24	L 8	W 28	3.0
19 Baffo, Jeff.....1904	L 1	W 32	D 15	L 7	W 30	H---	3.0
20 Oxman, Ari..... unr	H---	H---	L 24	W 35	L 22	W 27	3.0
21 Roberts-Hoffman, Katie.1707	D 24	L 2	W 26	L 12	W 31	L 13	2.5
22 Mink, Chris.....1915	W 37	L 6	L 18	D 32	W 20	L 9	2.5
23 Badger, Freddie.....1865	L 3	W 25	L 11	D 30	W 32	L 14	2.5
24 McMullan, Kirk.....2118	D 21	L 17	W 20	W 18	F---	U---	2.5
25 Reinhart, John.....1349	L 12	L 23	W 28	L 8	D 26	W 30	2.5
26 MacLellan, Ian.....1980	L 30	L 15	L 21	W 34	D 25	W 31	2.5
27 Helt, David.....1676	L 14	W 28	D 12	D 29	L 15	L 20	2.0
28 Dorn, Nathan..... 554	L 29	L 27	L 25	B---	W 34	L 18	2.0
29 Zupa, Daoud.....1929	W 28	L 14	D 31	D 27	U---	U---	2.0
30 Bonifate, Gregory.....1365	W 26	L 4	L 10	D 23	L 19	L 25	1.5
31 Caldwell, Jason.....1583	L 7	W 34	D 29	L 13	L 21	L 26	1.5
32 Cabrera, Sean.....1375	L 8	L 19	W 34	D 22	L 23	U---	1.5
33 Emerson, Mike.....2152	W 16	L 5	D 17	U---	U---	U---	1.5
34 Bain, Gregory..... unr	L 13	L 31	L 32	L 26	L 28	B---	1.0
35 Bagwell, Jim.....1343	L 5	L 16	H---	L 20	U---	U---	0.5
36 Cole, Marcel.....1445	L 11	L 10	U---	U---	U---	U---	0.0
37 Cox, Jeremy..... unr	L 22	F---	F---	U---	U---	U---	0.0

Reserve Section

1 Strandberg, Gene.....1529	W 38	W 50	W 2	W 23	W 3	D 4	5.5
2 Levitan, Valeriy.....1180	W 8	W 11	L 1	W 19	W 23	W 14	5.0
3 Rossi, Ron.....1455	W 48	W 24	W 15	W 14	L 1	W 9	5.0
4 Anderson, Robert.....1575	W 41	D 9	W 28	W 31	D 14	D 1	4.5
5 MacNeil, J C.....1622	D 31	L 7	W 32	W 36	W 16	W 20	4.5
6 Presutti, Mike.....1690	D 7	W 32	D 37	W 42	D 9	W 22	4.5
7 Munafo, Michael.....1404	D 6	W 5	H---	H---	W 25	W 18	4.5
8 Kern, Wes.....1550	L 2	W 44	D 47	W 34	W 33	W 15	4.5
9 Lauer, Mark.....1404	W 25	D 4	W 12	W 20	D 6	L 3	4.0
10 Brown, Phil.....1474	W 52	W 21	L 23	D 17	D 12	W 24	4.0
11 Wutt, Larry.....1552	W 40	L 2	W 13	L 22	W 41	W 23	4.0
12 Schine, Randy.....1566	W 44	H---	L 9	W 47	D 10	W 29	4.0

13	Gano, Michael.....	1302	L 24	W 51	L 11	W 30	W 37	W 35	4.0
14	Bagstad, Gary.....	1700	W 33	W 42	W 16	L 3	D 4	L 2	3.5
15	Fortune, Jon.....	1142	W 19	W 18	L 3	W 37	D 22	L 8	3.5
16	Vigderman, Constantine.....	1441	W 45	W 17	L 14	D 18	L 5	W 32	3.5
17	Martinez, Norbert.....	1595	W 47	L 16	W 29	D 10	L 20	W 33	3.5
18	Overdorff, Robert.....	1537	W 27	L 15	W 50	D 16	W 31	L 7	3.5
19	Schultz, John.....	1544	L 15	W 40	W 27	L 2	W 39	D 21	3.5
20	Simon, Stuart.....	1413	W 39	H---	W 34	L 9	W 17	L 5	3.5
21	Klinski, John.....	1684	W 36	L 10	L 33	W 38	W 42	D 19	3.5
22	Splichal, LaMoyn.....	1500	L 50	W 49	W 39	W 11	D 15	L 6	3.5
23	Buhlmann, Sebastian.....	unr	W 35	W 26	W 10	L 1	L 2	L 11	3.0
24	Fuchs, Mike.....	1621	W 13	L 3	D 36	H---	W 28	L 10	3.0
25	DeLong, Richard.....	1688	L 9	W 30	L 31	W 27	L 7	W 40	3.0
26	Bergquist, Bruce.....	1662	D 32	L 23	W 43	D 28	L 29	W 31	3.0
27	Davies, Ann.....	1135	L 18	W 35	L 19	L 25	W 50	W 37	3.0
28	Wieser, Peter.....	1463	W 51	D 34	L 4	D 26	L 24	W 46	3.0
29	Grimm, Paul.....	1363	L 34	W 52	L 17	W 50	W 26	L 12	3.0
30	Caldwell, Robbie.....	851	D 43	L 25	D 35	L 13	W 38	W 41	3.0
31	Parker, Keith.....	1333	D 5	W 43	W 25	L 4	L 18	L 26	2.5
32	Brown, Dean.....	1383	D 26	L 6	L 5	W 44	W 34	L 16	2.5
33	Alvarez, Hector.....	1406	L 14	W 46	W 21	H---	L 8	L 17	2.5
34	Gardner, Al.....	1624	W 29	D 28	L 20	L 8	L 32	W 39	2.5
35	Skarie, Al.....	1425	L 23	L 27	D 30	W 43	W 47	L 13	2.5
36	Cronin, Ed.....	1387	L 21	W 38	D 24	L 5	W 45	U---	2.5
37	Miller, Andrew.....	1550	W 49	H---	D 6	L 15	L 13	L 27	2.0
38	Ufer, Allan.....	1111	L 1	L 36	W 44	L 21	L 30	W 51	2.0
39	Patin, Andre.....	unr	L 20	W 41	L 22	W 40	L 19	L 34	2.0
40	Ford, Joe.....	1183	L 11	L 19	W 46	L 39	W 48	L 25	2.0
41	Crites, Gary.....	1254	L 4	L 39	W 49	W 51	L 11	L 30	2.0
42	Cabrera, Dan.....	1504	W 46	L 14	W 48	L 6	L 21	U---	2.0
43	Lamb, Dale.....	1468	D 30	L 31	L 26	L 35	W 49	D 45	2.0
44	Steve Wilson.....	1217	L 12	L 8	L 38	L 32	W 52	W 48	2.0
45	Hathorn, Matt.....	1189	L 16	L 47	W 52	D 48	L 36	D 43	2.0
46	Doykos, Theodore.....	1108	L 42	L 33	L 40	W 52	W 51	L 28	2.0
47	Aragon, Joe.....	1293	L 17	W 45	D 8	L 12	L 35	U---	1.5
48	Schneider, Kathy.....	681	L 3	B---	L 42	D 45	L 40	L 44	1.5
49	Weiss, Sophie.....	1169	L 37	L 22	L 41	H---	L 43	W 50	1.5
50	Dewitt, Jason.....	1032	W 22	L 1	L 18	L 29	L 27	L 49	1.0
51	Fortune, Barbara.....	682	L 28	L 13	B---	L 41	L 46	L 38	1.0
52	Branstetter, Ken.....	991	L 10	L 29	L 45	L 46	L 44	U---	0.0

1999 Membership Meeting Open

One Section

	1	2	3	Total		
1	Grinshteyn, Roman.....	unr	W 18	W 19	W 5	3.0
2	Rea, Andy.....	2117	W 20	W 6	D 3	2.5
3	DeLosLado, Edelreick.....	1678	W 22	W 13	D 2	2.5
4	Aandahl, Vance.....	1840	W 23	D 11	W 12	2.5
5	Hortillosa, Andy.....	1900	W 14	W 9	L 1	2.0
6	Hamilton, Doug.....	1675	W 16	L 2	W 11	2.0
7	Smith, Manus.....	1584	W 25	D 15	D 8	2.0
8	Haigh, John.....	1870	D 12	W 26	D 7	2.0
9	Heath, Roy.....	1445	W 24	L 5	W 16	2.0
10	Hudak, Edward.....	unr	L 11	W 23	W 17	2.0

11	Yee, Travis.....	1399	W	10	D	4	L	6	1.5
12	Hope, Fred.....	1072	D	8	W	18	L	4	1.5
13	Stocks, Thomas.....	766	W	26	L	3	D	14	1.5
14	Grauel, Ned.....	1201	L	5	W	24	D	13	1.5
15	Bardwick, Alan.....	1979	W	21	D	7	U	---	1.5
16	Yee, Bryan.....	989	L	6	W	20	L	9	1.0
17	Davis, Anthony.....	1017	L	19	W	21	L	10	1.0
18	Berman, Louis.....	1387	L	1	L	12	W	23	1.0
19	Blake, Brad.....	1677	W	17	L	1	U	---	1.0
20	Davis, Boris.....	1285	L	2	L	16	W	24	1.0
21	Galler, Sam.....	1215	L	15	L	17	W	25	1.0
22	Zinsmeyer, William.....	1023	L	3	W	25	U	---	1.0
23	Barber, William.....	1047	L	4	L	10	L	18	0.0
24	Talmage, Garrick.....	922	L	9	L	14	L	20	0.0
25	Zulauf, Grayson.....	931	L	7	L	22	L	21	0.0
26	Fox, Shannon.....	1438	L	13	L	8	U	---	0.0



Boards two through four get going in the penultimate round of the Colorado Open. Pictured: left to right – James McCarty, Eric Billaux, Renard Anderson, David Landers, and Edwin Schreiber. (Michael Valvo checks on other action – standing left background) Photo courtesy of Carol Caldwell.

Coming in the January issue of the Colorado Chess Informant::

- Games from the Colorado Open
- Games from the Northwest Colorado Open
- Results of the Colorado Quick Chess Championships
- And???...
- Your submissions are welcome. Ideas, letters to the editor, Games, etc.

Please send submissions in a usable format. Chessbase files are preferable, but should be copied to a Word document as well. I am using chessbaseLight, and files do not always convert from the more powerful chessbase programs. If I have a Word document I can then plug it into cbaselight myself. Word is the preferred document program, but almost anything will convert. When e-mailing attachments, please attach only one file at a time. AOL turns multiple attachments into MIME files which are a real pain in the butt!

CLUB DIRECTORY: PLACES TO PLAY CHESS

Editor's note: PLEASE! Send updates to this information if you know that it is inaccurate!!

Aurora: Aurora Chess Club meets every Saturday afternoon from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Aurora Public Library (Theatre Room or Activity Room). Contact: Jeffrey Baffo (303) 617-9123 or JBAFFO@aol.com.

Boulder: CU/Boulder Chess Club meets at the University of Colorado UMC Building, room 159, every Wednesday evening starting at 6:30 p.m. Free rated tournaments held every month. Contact: Bela Geczy (303) 543-0143.

Cheyenne, Wyoming: Cheyenne Chess Club meets every Thursday evening from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Barnes and Noble café, Dell Range Blvd. Contact: Charles Musselman (307) 635-8501

Colorado Springs: Colorado College Chess Club meets during the academic year on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 11:00 on the second floor of the Worner Center on the northwest corner of Cascade and Cache LaPoudre, on the CC campus. Weekly lectures by Dan Avery with events open to the public. Contact: Dan Avery (719)635-4601 or Kris Markey (719)389-7795 for information.

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

-USAF Academy Cadet Chess Club meets during the school year (August through May), every Friday at 5:30 p.m. in Fairchild Hall (Academic Building), Room 5L4 (southeastern-most room on the 5th floor). Contact: Trae Holcomb or James Serpa (719) 333-4470.

Craig: Craig Chess Club meets every Thursday evening from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Playing site is the School Administration Building at 755 Yampa Avenue.

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.

-Colorado Chess Academy, Monday 6pm, Thursday 4pm, Satur-

day 11am, Sunday 12 noon. Contact: Craig Wilcox (303)669-3228

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. Contact: Bill Riley (303)232-7671.

Pueblo:

Pueblo Chess Club meets Mondays from 6-10pm at the Barnes & Noble, 4300 N. Freeway Rd. Contact: Christine Hansel, (719)546-4444.

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.

Wheat Ridge: Wheat Ridge club meets every Tuesday, 1-3pm at the Wheat Ridge community center.

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Winter Springs Open, December 4 - 5, 1999

4 round swiss system tournament. **Time Control:** 40/2, 20/1 **Site:** Irving Middle School, 1702 N. Murray Blvd., Colorado Springs, Colorado. **Three Sections:** **June:** open to all USCF members. **July:** open to under 1800. **August:** open to under 1400. **All sections:** Entry Fee: \$25 by 12/1, \$30 at site. \$6 off for juniors, seniors, unrateds. Cash prizes per entries. Special entry fee for Irving MS students: \$5. **Registration:** 8:30-9:30 am **Rounds** 10-4, 9-3. **Entries:** Richard Buchanan, 308 Ruxton Ave., Manitou Springs CO 80829. **Phone:** (719) 685-1984 **E-mail:** buckpeace@pcsisys.net **CSCA membership req'd:** \$12 (\$6 for juniors, seniors). **A Colorado Tour Event.**

Cheyenne Open and Wyoming Closed, December 11 - 12, 1999

4 round swiss system tournament. **Time Control:** 40/2, SD1 **Site:** Laramie County Community College, Center of Conferences and Institutes, Room 129, 1400 East College Drive, Cheyenne. **Cheyenne Open is two Sections:** **Open:** open to all USCF members. **Reserve:** open to under 1400, unrated. **All sections:** Entry Fee: \$20 by 12/10, \$25 at site. Cash prizes 70% of entries. **Registration:** 8:30-9:30 am **Rounds** 10-4, 9-3. **Entries:** Allan Cunningham, 1012 Ashford Drive, Cheyenne, WY 82007. **Phone:** (307) 634-7809 **E-mail:** ADCDAC@aol.com **NS, NC, W.**

Boulder Open, April 15 - 16, 2000

4 round swiss system tournament. **Time Control:** 40/2, 20/1 **Site:** CU Events Center, Regent Dr., Univ. of Colo., Boulder. (Free parking in Lot 436, N of bldg.) **Prizes:** \$\$1730 based on 100. **Four Sections:** **Open:** Entry fee \$40 by 4/12. Prizes: \$\$330G, 170G, 100G, U2100 \$100. (Unrateds not eligible for U2100 prize.) **U2000:(no unr.)** Entry fee \$34 by 4/12. Prizes: \$170, 100, 50, U1800 \$80. **U1700:(no unr.)** Entry fee \$34 by 4/12. Prizes: \$170, 100, 50, U1500 \$80. **U1400:** Entry fee \$28 by 4/12. Prizes: \$100, 50, U1200 \$40, unr. \$40. (Unrateds eligible only for unrated prize.)

All sections: Entry Fee: \$6 more at site. 25% off advanced entry fee for juniors, seniors, unrateds. 50% off to age 12 and under One discount per person. Half point byes available rounds 1-3, limit one. **Registration:** 8:30-9:30 am **Rounds** 10-4, 9-3:30. (Round 4 may be paired with adjourned games pending.) **Entries:** Boulder Chess Club c/o Bela Geczy, 7390 Brockway Drive, Boulder, CO 80303. **Phone:** (303) 543-0143 **CSCA membership req'd:** \$12 per year (\$6 for juniors, seniors) or \$3 per tournament, OSA. **A Colorado Tour Event. USCF Grand Prix Tournament.**
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Cheyenne Fall Fling, September 25, 1999

4 round swiss system tournament.

Time Control: G/60. **Site:** Room 123, Center for Conferences and Institutes, Laramie County Community College, 1400 East College Drive, Cheyenne, WY. **Entry fee:** \$10. **Prizes:** 70% of entries. **Registration:** 9:00-9:45 am. Rounds 10-12:30-3-5:30.

Entries: Allan Cunningham, 1012 Ashford Drive, Cheyenne, WY 82007. **Phone:** 307-634-7809 **E-mail:** ADCDAC@aol.com
USCF membership is required NS, NC, W.

Liberty September Tournament, September 25, 1999

4 round swiss system tournament. **Time Control:** G/30. **Site:** Liberty High School Library, 8720 Scarborough Drive, Colorado Springs, CO. **Entry fee:** \$5. **Prizes:** per entries. **Two Sections:** Rated, open to all USCF members. Nonrated, open to everyone.

Registration: 8:30-9:00 am. Rounds 9:10-10:20-12:20-1:30. **Entries:** Ken Schwartz. **Phone:** (719) 576-6571
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Liberty October Tournament, October 30, 1999

Double Quads (double round robins in 4 player sections chosen by ratings) tournament. **Time Control:** G/20.

Site: Liberty High School Commons, 8720 Scarborough Drive, Colorado Springs, CO. **Entry fee:** \$5.

Prizes: 1st prize in each quad: \$15. **Two Sections:** Quick Rated, open to all USCF members. Nonrated, open to everyone.

Registration: 8:30-9:00 am. Rounds 9:15-10:00-10:45-12:30-1:15-2:00. **Entries:** Ken Schwartz. **Phone:** (719) 576-6571

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1999 Colorado Quick Chess Championship, November 20 - 21, 1999

7 round swiss system qualifier tournament on Saturday (and playoffs as needed to determine top 16 for finals).

Championship double elimination knockout tournament matches (w/ 6-5 tiebreaks games if necessary) and consolation Swiss Sunday. **Time Control:** G/15 **Site:** Radisson Inn 8110 N. Academy Blvd (I-25 & N. Academy), Colorado Springs, CO.

Entry Fee: \$30 in advance, \$35 at site. IMs, GMs (men or women): free! Cash prizes per entries. **Registration:** 9:30-10:30 am

Rounds: Round 1 at 11:00 am Saturday, 9:00 am Sunday, play should be over by 6:30pm! **Hotel Rooms:** \$69 sgl/dbl, includes breakfast for 2. (719)-598-5770 (chess rates). **Entries:** Richard Buchanan, 308 Ruxton Ave., Manitou Springs CO 80829.

Phone: (719) 685-1984 **E-mail:** buckpeace@pcisys.net CSCA membership req'd: \$12 (\$6 for juniors, seniors) OSA. NS, NC, W.

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