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***and much more...***

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## Editor's Message

Any way you look at it, Northern California chess is booming. We have more players than ever before, more and better tournament activity than ever before. Whatever your taste in chess—big tournaments, small ones, fast ones, slow ones—you don't have far to look this summer. Some of the highlights:

**CalChess State Championship, San Mateo, Sept 5-7.** For the first time ever, Northern California has a first-rate open championship, comparable to or better than that of any other state, run by the non-profit USCF state affiliate, combining the talent of the state's best players, organizers, and

directors. Players who in other years travelled (e.g. California's highest-rated player, GM Walter Browne) are now playing here. Browne will also stage WBCA five-minute state championships, invitational and open, in Northern California for the first time. Northern California's most famous chess personality, SF Chronicle Columnist GM George Koltanowski, will give his famous chess show at a Northern California tournament for the first time in years—an amazing experience for those who have not seen it! California's best future stars participate in the first Invitational Junior

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## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

To all CalChess members, Bay Area club members, and supporters of youth chess throughout the nation:

Jordy Mont-Reynaud and his family sincerely thank all of you who contributed so generously to his endeavors in Germany at the World Youth Championships. Contributions raised exceeded the \$400 grant by the USCF! Jordy is looking forward to being a candidate for next year in Czechoslovakia, and in continuing his studies with Lee Corbin, Dmitry Zernitsky and Gabe Sanchez. Thanks to them and to all of you out there!

-Jordy and the Mont-Reynaud Family

Dear Editor,

I very much enjoyed Tom Dorsch's interview with GM Walter Browne in the June/July 1992 issue. As one who started playing for social reasons, I find such human interest/personality articles far more interesting than most of the games. If I want a lot of games, I can look through my Informants and other specialized publications.

GM Browne is certainly an interesting person, and, despite what seems to be for many players/organizers an abrasive personality, he has contributed a tremendous amount of our game in many areas. Still I do

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29th Stamer Tournament**“Dinosaur Sighting in Bay Area!”**

by NMs Jim Eade, Jim McCormick, Robert Haines and Sidney J Rubin and Mark Brown

**T**he Stamer Memorial is a throwback in many ways. This year's tournament, the 29th annual, was, as always, conducted in the tradition-steeped venue of the Mechanics' Institute Chess Room in San Francisco. The rounds are played over three days, beginning on Friday night. There are no buy-backs, busy-person schedules, sudden-death time controls or 1/2 point byes. Also, it is one big open tournament. A free-for-all, anyone can play anyone, hodge-podge of chessplayers, just like the good old days.

However, even the battle-hardened veterans of this time honored tournament, played in the hallowed halls of the Mechanics', where at least half the stories begin. "I remember when..." were stunned, when the smoke had finally cleared, to discover that **NM Jim McCormick** was equal first with **IM Gregory Hjorth**, both with perfect 5-0 results. After all, when Hjorth plays, he almost always wins, but was this the same Jim McCormick who was many times Washington state champion, immortal nemesis of Victor Pupols and all-around "character with an attitude"? There have been more "Fischer sightings" in recent years than McCormick sightings, but we are pleased to report that the rumors about "the unearthing of his fossilized remains" have been greatly exaggerated. McCormick not only is alive and playing, he is winning.

The victories weren't purchased cheaply, either. Hjorth and McCormick needed last round wins over two of the Bay Area's finest, NM Richard Lobo and SM Emmanuel Perez, respectively, to secure their share of first place. When McCormick was asked whether he was surprised at his fine result, he replied, "I've been winning tournaments in San Francisco since the fifties, when I would come down here and beat the great [Charles] Bagby [President of the Mechanics' Institute]."

Perhaps it is only fitting that tournaments like the Stamer, Bagby or Capps, with their roots in a bygone era, can once again boast a co-winner who once crossed swords with the very people whose memory these tournaments are designed to honor.

1-2nd	<b>IM Gregory Hjorth (2485)</b> <b>NM Jim McCormick (2290)</b>	5-0
3-8th	<b>SM Emmanuel Perez (2402)</b> <b>NM Richard Lobo (2361)</b> <b>NM Patrick Davin (2255)</b> <b>NM Rudy Hernandez (2221)</b> <b>NM Oleg Shakhnazarov (2202)</b>	4-1
Expert	<b>Borel Menas (2107)</b> <b>Rodolfo Zapata (2027)</b> <b>Jason Ochoa (2087)</b>	3.5-0.5
A	<b>Mark Brown (1973)</b>	4-1
B	<b>Richard Newey (1637)</b>	2.5-2.5
C	<b>Charles Faulkner (1498)</b>	3-2
D/Unr.	<b>Jean Henry (Unr.)</b> <b>John Hornickle (Unr.)</b>	2-3

White: **NM Jim McCormick (2290)**Black: **SM Emmanuel Perez (2402)**

Queen's Gambit Declined/Slav [D45]

Annotated by **NM Jim McCormick**

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.c4 e6 4.Nc3 c6 5.e3 Nbd7 6.Qc2 Bd6 7.Bd2 0-0

A week after this game, Burt Izumikawa played instead 7...Qe7. That game continued 8.0-0-0 0-0-9.Bd3 dxc4 10.Bxc4 b5; Black played well and eventually won.

8.0-0-0 dxc4

BCO II gives 8...c5 as the better move.

9.Bxc4 b5 10.Bd3 b4

Black burns his bridges.

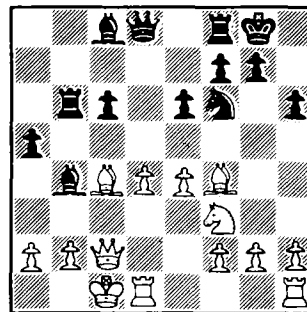
11.Ne4 b3 12.Qxb3 Nxe4 13.Bxe4 Rb8 14.Qc2 Nf6 15.Bd3

No, thank you.

15...Bb4 16.e4 h6 17.Bf4 Rb6 18.Bc4

Given time, Black would like to play Qe7 and Ba3.

18...a5



19.g4

Time to open a new front.

19...Nh7

Threatening Qf6.

20.Be3 Qe7 21.Bb3

To prevent Black from playing ...Ba3.

21...Bb7 22.Ne5 Rc8 23.Nc4 Ra6 24.Ba4 Qh4

The lady does her own thing, but loses contact with her family.

25.f3 Qh3 26.Rhf1 Nf6

With a nice point.

27.g5 Nd5 28.Bd2

Not 28.exd5 cxd5 with good chances.

28...Bxd2 29.Qxd2 Nb6 30.Nxb6 Rxb6 31.Qxa5 Ba6 32.Rf2 Rcb8 33.g6

Weakening Black's kingside.

33...fxg6 34.Bb3 Kh7 35.Qe5 Bc8 36.Rg1 Rb5 37.Qg3 Qh5 38.e5

With the idea of Bc2 and forcing a favorable ending.

38...Bd7 39.Bc2 Be8 40.Qg4 Qxg4 41.fxg4 c5 42.Ba4 Ra5 43.Bxe8 Rxe8 44.dxc5 Rxc5+ 45.Rc2 Rxe5 46.b3 Re3 47.Rgg2 e5 48.Rge2 Rh3 49.Re4 Rh4 50.Rce2 g5 51.Kb2 Rf8 52.a4 Rf3 53.a5 Rbh3 54.Rb4 e4 55.Ka3 e3 56.Re4 Kg6 57.a6 1-0

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# “Dinosaur Sighting”

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White: NM Robert Haines (2312)

Black: Paul Liebhaber (2003)

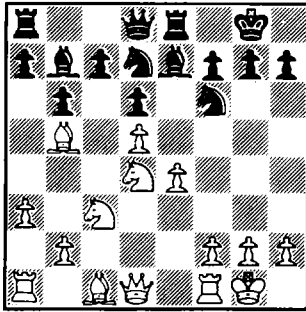
Queen's Indian [E12]

Annotated by NM Robert Haines

1.c4 b6 2.d4 e6 3.Nf3 Bb7 4.a3 Nf6 5.Nc3 Be7

An error. 5...d5 or 5...c5 is better.

6.d5 0-0 7.e4 exd5 8.cxd5 Re8 9.Bd3 d6 10.0-0 Nbd7 11.Nd4 Nc5 12.Bb5 Ncd7



13.f4

13.Bc6 or 13.Nc6 or even 13.f3 are stronger. This allows Black counterplay based on White's loose center. Still it was difficult to resist trying to take advantage of Black's "traffic jam."

13...a6 14.Ba4

Consistent, but 14.Bc6 was still better.

14...b5 15.Bc2 Bf8 16.Qf3 Qc8 17.Be3 c6 18.Rac1 cxd5 19.Nxd5 Nxd5 20.exd5 Qd8 21.Nc6 Qh4 22.Bd4 Nf6 23.g3 Qg4

23...Qh6 24.g4.

24.Bxf6 Qxf3 25.Rxf3 gxf6 26.Kf2 Rac8 27.Bf5 Rc7 28.Re3 Rxe3 29.Kxe3 Be7 30.Kd4 Bxc6 31.dxc6 h6?

31...d5!

32.Kd5 Kf8 33.Re1 Ke8 34.Bd7+ Kd8 35.f5 a5 36.Re4 Ra7 37.b3 Rc7 38.Rg4 Bf8 39.Rg8 Ke7 40.Rxf8 Kxf8 41.Kxd6 b4 42.a4 1-0

White: Mark Brown (1973)

Black: NM Romulo Fuentes (2208)

Sicilian Defense [B40]

Annotated by Mark Brown

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Bb4

The Pin Variation, a rarity.

6.Bd3 d5 7.e5 Nfd7 8.Qe2 Nc6 9.Nxc6

For some reason, I took about twenty minutes to see the futility of 9.Ne6, a sac that leads to nothing, but did entertain my fantasies of a blow-out. Once I had settled down, I saw that I had better be careful.

9...bxc6 10.Bd2 c5 11.Bb5 0-0 12.Bxd7 Bxd7 13.0-0 Rb8 14.Rfb1

Unexpected, no doubt. This Rook move covers all of the threats after 14...d4, after which Black could have won either a pawn or the exchange.

14...f6 15.a3 Bxc3 16.Bxc3 f5 17.f4 Bc6 18.b4

This nice flank shot opens up the queenside for my Rooks and seizes the initiative. Black should have tried 17...d4, with 18.Be1 Bb5 19.Qd2 c4 20.a4 Ba6 21.b4 which is unclear.

18...cxb4 19.Rxb4 Rxb4 20.axb4 g5

This is a desperate move, but it simply gives me a clean sweep of the seventh rank, and a nice tactical motif that I didn't have available before.

21.Rxa7 d4

Best was 21...Qb8, e.g., 22.Qf2 d4 23.Qxd4 Rd8! 24.Qe3 gxf4 25.Qc5 Rd5, etc. Black had played sharply and I expected to face 21...Qb8; instead, he relaxed and I demonstrated the problems with his twentieth move.

22.Qh5 Bxd7 23.Bd4 gxf4 24.c3 Rf7 25.Qh6 f3 26.gxf3 Qc8 27.Kf2 Be8 28.Qg5+

Black seeks some relief from the paralyzing effects of the Rook, but the White Queen tightens the grip.

28...Kh8 29.Rxf7 Bxf7 30.Qe7 Kg8 31.Bc5 Qa8 32.Kg3

Getting out of the way of any checks of the perpetual variety. White can march the b-pawn to b5, sac the Bishop at f8 with the Queen check, and race home.

32...Kg7 33.h4 1-0

Black calls it a day.

White: Sidney J. Rubin (2171)

Black: Ray Menaster (1937)

Caro-Kann Panov Attack [C14]

Annotated by Sidney J. Rubin

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.c4 c6 4.Nc3 cxd5 5.d4 dxc4 6.Bxc4 Bd7 7.Nf3 e6 8.0-0 Bb4?!

This facilitates White's development with 9.Qb3, putting pressure on the Bishop and the b7 square.

9.Qb3?! Bxc3 10.bxc3 Qb6

Better was 10...0-0.

11.Qa3 Nc6 12.Re1

If 12...Qa5, 13.d5.

12...Na5 13.Bd3 Qc7 14.Ne5 b6 15.Bd2 Nc6 16.Nc4 Ne7

Practically forced.

17.Nd6+ Kf8 18.Bg5 Bc6 19.c4 Rd8 20.Bf4 Qd7

20...Nh5 was expected, after which 21.Be5 (21.Nf5 Qd7) f6 22.Nb5 Qd7 (22...Qb7 23.Bd6) 23.Bc7 Re8 24.Bd6 looks more playable for Black than the text.

21.h3 Kg8 22.Re3 Ng6 23.Bh2 Nh5 24.Bxg6

Otherwise ...Nh5-f4, cutting off the Bishop. White's h3 is safe enough.

24...hxg6 25.Rae1 Ba8

If, e.g., 25...Kh7, there is the threat of 26.d5, when 26...exd5? 27.Re7 traps the Queen.

26.d5 Kh7 27.dxe6 fxe6 28.Rxe6 Rhf8 29.Qd3 Rf6 30.Rxf6 Nxf6

If 31...gxf6, then 31.Qe3 with play on the seventh rank and control of the e-file.

31.Qg3 Qc6 32.Nf7 Re8

But not 32...Rf8 33.Ne5.

33.Ng5+

If now 33.Ne5, then Nh5.

33...Kg8 34.Rxe8+ Nxe8

Or 34...Qxe8 35.Qb8 or Qe3

35.Qg4

Because of Black's pressure on g2, f4, and f5, White is better off heading for the ending.

35...Nf6 36.Qe6+ Qxe6 37.Nxe6 Kf7 38.Ng5+ Ke7 39.f3 Bc6 40.Kf2 a6 41.Ke3 Nd7 42.Kd4 Kf6 43.h4 Kf5? 44.Bc7!

Threatening mate in two. If 44...Nf6 to stop the mate, 45.Bxb6.

44...Kf6 45.Bd8+ Kf5 46.g4+ 1-0

# Izumikawa Mines Gold In Golden Gate FIDE Challenge

by NMs Jim McCormick, Robert Haines, Jim Eade, and Tom Dorsch

In many ways Northern California is a chess paradise. Anyone can find tournaments to their liking. There are many good clubs, all sorts of weekend tournament action and a variety of time controls to choose from. However, two common complaints have been heard quite often over the years. There is scant opportunity to play in all master round-robins and even fewer chances to achieve FIDE norms or ratings.

Mike Arné has shown us the way by organizing FIDE Futurities in Palo Alto. We adopted his formula for success at the Mechanics over the fourth of July holiday weekend and the result was five new FIDE rated players!

Burt Izumikawa won the \$150 first place prize money and organizer Jim Eade absconded with the second place prize of a ProChess striped ebony set, generously donated by Chessex®. The tournament was a five man, double round, Schevingen style match between a FIDE unrated team and a FIDE rated team. The games were played under FIDE rules at G/60 time controls. Since these conditions were sudden death, the scoresheets were often incomplete, but we did manage to get annotated games from a couple of the contestants.

Here are the games and the projected ratings for the previously unrated players:

Oleg Shakhnazarov	2290
Jim McCormick	2290
Patrick Davin	2220
Robert Haines	2220
Alan Stein	2220

White: NM Jim McCormick (2290)

Black: NM Jim Eade (2264)

English [A13]

Annotated by NM Jim McCormick

1.c4

A bit of explanation please. My opponent is a rarity these days: a true gentleman chess organizer. After studying his games, I decided Jim Eade was a Botvinnik man, i.e., he defends with the French and the Dutch. I concluded that deprogramming was necessary; hence the text move.

1...e6 2.g3 d5 3.Bg2 c6 4.Qc2

Let's keep the opening different.

4...Nf6 5.Nf3 Be7 6.0-0 0-0 7.b3 b5

This maneuver is generally seen after White has played d4. 8.d3 bxc4 9.bxc4 Nbd7 10.Bb2 Rb8

Consistent with Black's seventh.

11.Nbd2 Bd6 12.Nd4 Rb6 13.N2b3 c5 14.Nb5 Bb8 15.Nc3

Forces concessions. If 15. Nc3 d4, then Na4 wins a pawn.

15...dxc4

If 15...d4 then 15.Na4 wins a pawn.

16.dxc4 Qe7 17.a4 Rb4

White's Fabian tactics have succeeded. Black's counterplay only helps White.

18.Na5 Ne5 19.Nb5

Black has been hypermodernized. If 19...a6 then 20.Bxe5

Bxe5 21.Nc6 and 22.Nxe5 wins, and if, 19...Bc7 20.Bxe5 Bxa5 21.Bd6 and wins.

19...Bd7 20.Ba3 a6 21.Bxb4 axb5 22.Bc3 bxa4 23.Qb2 Bc7 24.Bxe5 Bxa5 25.Rfd1 Rc8 26.Qb7 Rd8 27.Bc6 Ng4

This reminds me of Olav Ulvestad's lament: "Shed a tear for Ulvestad. His move was good, but his position was bad."

28.Rxd7 Rxd7 29.Qxd7 Qxd7 30.Bxd7 Nxe5 31.Bb5 g5 32.Rxa4 Bb4 33.Ra7 1-0

White: NM Robert Haines (2220)

Black: NM Mark Pinto (2272)

Sicilian Defense [B22]

Annotated by NM Robert Haines

1.e4 c5 2.c3 d5 3.exd5 Qxd5 4.d4 Nf6 5.Nf3 Bg4 6.Be2 e6 7.h3

A little finesse to block the h5 square.

7...Bh5 8.0-0 Nc6 9.c4

More usual is 9.Na3, but I don't like that move.

9...Qd7 10.dxc5 Bxc5

10...Qxd1 11.Rxd1 is better for White.

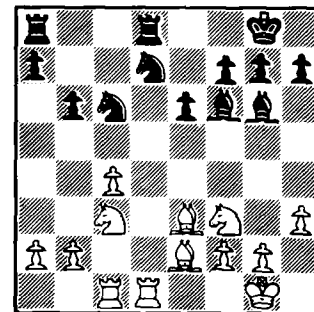
11.Qxd7+ Nxd7

Theory regards this position as equal. I think White is a little better.

12.Nc3 0-0

12...Bg6! is better.

13.Ne4 Be7 14.Be3 Bg6 15.Nc3 Rfd8 16.Rfd1 Bf6 17.Rac1 b6



Black must fight for the c5 square to stop the mobilization of White's Q-side majority.

18.Bg5

Getting rid of Black's best piece.

18...h6 19.Bxf6 Nxf6 20.Nh4 Ne5

20...Bh7 21.Bf3 wins material.

21.Nxg6 Nxg6 22.Nb5 a6 23.Nc7 Rxd1+ 24.Rxd1 Ra7 25.Rd8+ Kh7 26.Ne8

26.Na8 Nd7 leads nowhere.

26...Nxe8 27.Rxe8 Rd7 28.b3! Rd2 29.Bf3 Rxa2 30.Rb8 b5

31.cxb5 axb5 32.Rxb5 Nh4 33.Be4+ g6 34.Rb7 Kg7 35.b4 Kf6 36.b5 Nf5 37.Bc6

Black's task is now complicated by an acute time shortage.

37...Ne7 38.Be8 Ra8

38...Rb2 is better. It may hold the draw.

39.Bd7 Ke5 40.b6 Kd6 41.Bb5 Ra1+ 42.Kh2 Rb1 43.Rd7+ Ke5

43...Kc5 44.Bd3 Rb3 45.Bc2 Rb2 46.Rxe7 Rxc2 47.Rc7+.

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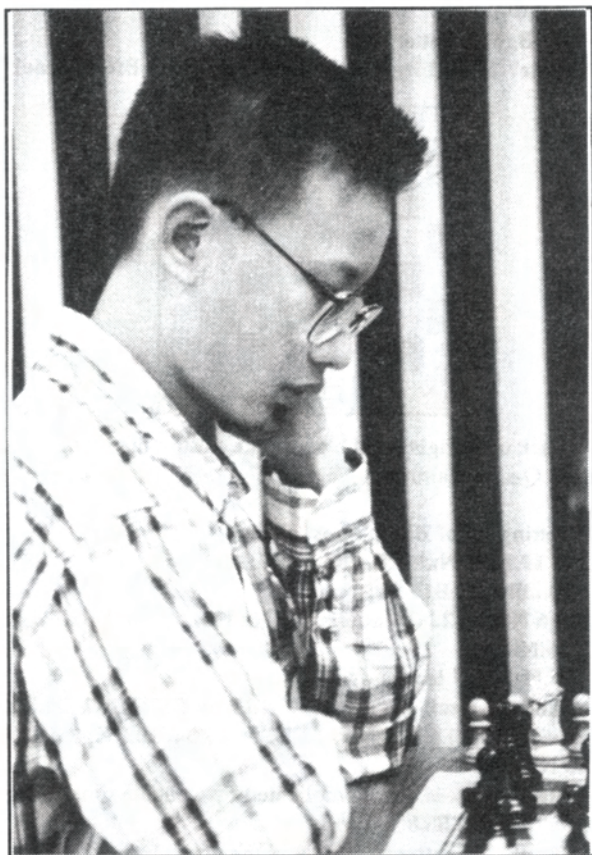
# Brian Jew is Shining Through

by NM Peter Yu

**T**he greatest joy for a chess teacher is to see his pupil improve. Once the student surpasses his teacher, no more lessons can be taught. That student has learned all that he can, and must now progress to higher levels. The *CCJ* is committed to helping the area's top junior contenders mature and excel. Beginning with this article, each issue will spotlight the growth and achievement of one of Northern California's many talented young players.

Not long ago, 14-year-old Brian Jew resumed his weekly lessons with local master Peter Yu who returned from a half-year internship on the East Coast. Although both student and teacher were extremely delighted at the reunion, there was a sad, underlying sense of urgency. For both realized that the coaching would soon end as Peter would graduate, marry and inevitably move further away from Brian's San Francisco residence within the next six months.

But this is not a sad story, rather one of triumph and a testament to our own willingness to improve when we really put our hearts to it. The student-teacher team resolved to strengthen Brian's game as much as possible (notice, this does not say "get his rating as high as possible"), given the limited time they had remaining to work together. Without any tournament pressuring or selective participation, they concentrated on instructional post-mortems and conditional tips. Soon their efforts materialized as the following tournament reports and annotated games attest.



Brian Jew, Northern California's ninth-ranked junior.

Brian's first challenge came as the February Lowell Sectionals put teacher and pupil within the same top section. Round one saw a stunning upset as Brian, who narrowly avoided being paired against top-seeded Peter, sacrificed his way to mate second-seed against NM Paul Gallegos. Like his teacher, Brian's first rated game with a master resulted in the teenager's first master scalp (game follows article). The next round, Brian continued his aggressive play as he unnerved Expert Patrick Herbers in time pressure to leap ahead of his teacher, as NM Yu missed some chances and drew. This allowed Brian to avoid his most dreaded pairing, against his coach, as he had a much easier time outplaying B-player Rich McCullough (who also upset his way to the top!) for first place. When the tournament was over, the young A-player had outdistanced his teacher, along with other Masters and Experts, with a 3-0 clear first. Meanwhile, Peter drew again as he tied McCullough and Herbers for second, a full point behind his star pupil. The lower section was won by Ken White and Mario Rombaua, both with perfect scores. Chi Hom and Clarence Harris tied for third place, each at 2-1.

Following this stellar performance, Brian played in many Bay Area tournaments always placing solidly in the top three. An active member at his school's chess club, Brian helped Lowell H.S. defend its Nor Cal Championship title, and place 4th nationally. Around this time, Brian was fortunate enough to play GM Stefan Djuric in a Mechanics' Chess Club Simul organized by NM Jim Eade. Brian and Jim were the only ones who drew the GM as he beat all of his other challengers. Of course, Brian has had some experience playing in simul, as he beat IM Vince McCambridge in a Bank of America simul last year.

More recently, Brian's accomplishments include a second-place tie at Goichberg's big money tournament, the Western Class Championships, early May. Clear first in the B-section of the LERA Memorial Day Championships, followed by winning money in his A-section debut at the Berkeley Class Struggle (reported elsewhere in this issue). Clearly, Brian's climb is not about to stop even as he moves up a class.

Since May, Brian has not had any chess lessons from his former teacher. Despite this, nationally-ranked Brian continues to perform well against tougher fields. This goes to show that although lessons do help, they are not necessary for a player's growth. All it takes is some talent and a lot of determination, and active players of any age can improve their results. Good job, Brian, you make us all proud.

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**White:** NM Paul Gallegos (2220)

**Black:** Brian Jew (1824)

**Lowell February Sectionals**

**French Wing Gambit [C00]**

**Annotated by Brian Jew and Peter Dahl**

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1.e4 e6 2.Nf3 d5 3.e5 c5 4.b4!?

The "Dorsch Gambit," pioneered by our own CalChess President.

4...cxb4 5.a3

Watson suggests 5.d4, in case White prefers to avoid the complications of 5.a3 d4!?

5...Nc6 6.axb4 Bxb4 7.c3 Ba5!? 8.d4 Nge7

Book is 8...f6 to make White give up the center.

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9.Bd3 Bd7 10.0-0 Qc7 11.Ba3?

11.Ng5!±

11... f5 12.exf6?!

White gives up the center, his pressure on d6, opens up the g-file for Black's Rook, while also allowing Qc7 access to the Kingside.

12...gxf6 13.Qc2 0-0-0 14.Bc5

Not 14. Bxh7? because of ...f5.

14...h5 15.Na3 a6

While this weakens Black's protection, it was necessary to prevent the White Knight from invading b5.

16.Rfb1 Nf5?! 17.Rb3?!

Better is 17.Bxf5 exf5 18.Nh4.

17...Nce7 18.Qb2 Bc6 19.Nc2 Rhg8

The wrong Rook! ...Rdg8 is much better, as Black soon discovers.

20.Qa3 Qf4! 21.Qxa5?

White ignores Black's attack. The more prudent 21.Nce1 would have won, since both Black's Bishop and Knight are attacked. We see now that 19...Rdg8! would have allowed a crucial 21.Nce1 Bd8 retreat.

21...Qxf3 22.Ne1??

Mandatory was 22.Bf1 to save the game. Now if 22...Rxc2+ 23.Bxc2 Rg8 24.Ne1 and the Knight hits Black's Queen. If 24...Qg4 25.Kh1 h4 (Nh4? 26.Bd6! wins) 26.h3 White can probably survive. Worse is 24...Qh3 25.Rab1 Nh4 26.Bd6! Rxc2+ 27.Kh1 and Black is unable to avoid mate.

22...Rxc2!+ 23.Nxc2 Rg8 24.Bf1 Nh4 25.c4 Rxc2+!!

Not 23...Qxb3 26.Bxe7

26.Kh1 Qxf2 0-1

White: Brian Jew (1824)

Black: Steven Lender (1957)

1992 LERA Class

Queen's Pawn Opening [A45]

Annotated by Brian Jew

1.d4 Nf6 2.e3 g6 3.Bd3 Bg7 4.Nf3

4.f4 would give Black good chances after 4...d6 setting up an eventual ...e5.

4...d5 5.0-0 Nbd7 6.b3

This is a rare variation I am experimenting with, often used by former Lowell player Alan Tse. 6.b3 gives the Queen Bishop an exit and also inhibits the pawn push ...c4, after ...c5 is played. 6...c5 7.Bb2 0-0 8.Nbd2 b6 9.e4

White opens the position before Black is fully developed.

9...dxe4 10.Nxe4 Bb7 11.Ng3

Why help Black develop with his d7 Knight by exchanging on f6?

11...e6 12.c4 Qc7 13.Re1 Rad8 14.Qe2 cxd4 15.Nxd4 Nc5 16.Rad1

Forced, because of the multiple threats Black has toward White's Knight and Bishop.

16...Qf4 17.Nf3 Bxf3 18.gxf3

Black plays for position and simplification. It may have been better to keep the powerful Bishop on the strong a8-h1 diagonal.

18...Rd7 19.Be5 Qh4 20.Bc2 Rfd8 21.Rxd7

I saw that after 21.Rxd7, then 22.b4 followed by 23.a3 would give White the advantage, and possibly create a passed pawn.

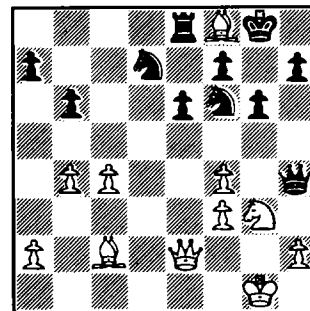
21...Ncxd7 22.Rd1 Qg5

This was to lure me to play 23.f4, so then 23...Qh4 followed by 24...Ng4 threatens mate. But I saw that after 23...Qh4 24.f3

puts the Queen out of play.

23.f4 Qh4 24.f3 Rc8 25.Bd6 Re8 26.b4 Bf8 27.Bxf8

Now with Black's Queen trapped on the flank by doubled pawns, White definitely has the edge.



27...Kxf8 28.Ba4 Rd8 29.Qd2!

Black is in big trouble now.

29...h6 30.Qd6+ Ke8?! 31.Ne4!!

Black is forced to lose the exchange or a piece.

31.Nxe4 32.Bxd7+ Rxd7 33.Qxd7+ Kf8 34.Qd8+

I was worried about giving Black an opportunity for perpetual check, or all three of my Kingside pawns, if I captured the Knight. Thus, exchanging Queens appears much safer.

34...Qxd8 35.Rxd8+ Ke7 36.Ra8 Nd2 37.Rxa7+ Kf6 38.c5 Nxf3+ 39. Kg2 1-0

Black cannot stop White's pawns now, or he will lose his Knight.

White: Tony Lama (1905)

Black: Brian Jew (1847)

1992 Berkeley Class Struggle

Dutch Defense [A90]

1.d4 e6 2.c4 f5 3.g3 Nf6 4.Bg2 d5 5.Nh3! c5 6.dxc5 Qa5?! 7.Bd2 Qc5 8.cxd5 Nxd5 9.Nc3 Nf6 10.Rc1 Na6 11.0-0 Be7 12.Nd5 Qd6 13.Bf4? e5 14.Nxf6+ Qxf6 15.Bg5 Qe6 16.Bxe7 Qxe7 17.Qb3! Rb8 18.Rfd1 Be6 19.Bd5! Bxd5 20.Qxd5 Rd8 21.Qb3 Rxd1+ 22.Rxd1 g6 23.Qb5+ Kf8 24.Rd7 Qe8 25.Ng5 Nb8 26.Qc5+ 1-0

## Kentucky's Kaidanov-Caissa's Current King

America's second "K" Grigory Kaidanov has taken first place in the just completed 1992 U.S. Open, held in Dearborn, Michigan, August 2-14. Combined with his victories in the National Open held in Las Vegas in June, the World Open held in Philadelphia in July, this constitutes a kind of "Grand Slam" of Swiss events that has never been done before.

Since emigrating to the U.S. with his family less than a year ago he has quickly established himself as one of America's premier players. He is currently the second-highest rated Russian "K" on the USCF list.



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Championship, an eight-player round-robin sponsored by Heuristic Software. The first two hundred entrants receive a four-color enameled commemorative pin as a free souvenir, and the early pace indicates there will be a shortage. A survey of players' preferences for time controls, round schedules, and playing conditions will be used to design future Northern California events. The officers and board of CalChess will hold their annual membership meeting.

**San Francisco Bay Open, San Mateo, October 2-4.** Another Goichberg spectacular, with the big Swiss touch, large prizes, computer pairings, and all the other features that have made Goichberg tournaments popular throughout the U.S.

**Silicon Valley Championship, Santa Clara, October 17-18.** This new tournament at the Westin Hotel on Great America Parkway is the new, expanded version of the popular HFTS tournaments. More amenities, more prizes. This tournament is also the first to offer HFTS Micro Grand Prix points, and is the first qualifier event for CalChess' Tournament of Champions in September, 1993 (ten tournament winners compete for over \$1000 in prizes—see next issue for more details).

**Sands Regency Western States Open, Reno, October 30-November 1.** Reno's best tournament made even better, with bigger prizes, more amenities, more strong players, and more of everything that has made Reno and the Western States Open the fastest-growing tournament in the West. GMs love this event. This year features "The Fun Bus," a special charter that will take the players up on Thursday, bring them home on Sunday. For details, call Alan Glasscoe, (510) 652-5324.

Other good events are on the horizon. CalChess will hold another Chess Festival on MLK Birthday weekend. Alongside a six-round open tournament, there will be the Games of Berkeley Invitational State Championship, a round-robin among the state's eight highest-rated Masters for the title of state champion, with the prize fund contributed by Games of Berkeley, Northern California's leading vendor of quality chess books and equipment. The 3rd annual Region XI Women's Championship is also planned in conjunction with the MLK Open Tournament.

Further downstream, we are at press time awaiting word on whether the 1995 U.S. Open will be held in either Concord, CA or Tucson, AZ. Early planning is underway for a "Push Pawns Not Drugs" Chessathon for Golden Gate Park, jointly organized by CalChess and USCF, in 1993 or 1994, similar to the very successful one held in New York City in July. And Neil Falconer, organizer of the Pan-Pacific Tournaments, plans another spectacular GM event to coincide with the 50th anniversary of the United Nations in 1995.

Of course we have to mention the possibility of Fischer-Spassky II in Yugoslavia next month, and the fallout that could have for promoting chess—the S.F. Examiner proposes to send a special correspondent to Belgrade to cover the match! And of course there is the Kasparov match, against either Timman or Short, to be held in Los Angeles just a year away. Exciting stuff!

I'll say it again—whatever your taste in chess, whatever your aspirations, something is coming up that will capture your interest, tease your intellect, and put some fun in your life, courtesy of chess, the most intriguing mental exercise yet devised by the human mind. Just join up, jump in, and help yourself to the goodies.

## Letters to the Editor

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disagree with a few of his observations.

Walter wants to restructure the Grand Prix so that it weights quality over quantity even more than it does currently. This is contrary to its very intent. The whole idea is to give strong players an incentive to play at every opportunity. As it is currently structured, a tournament director in Utah or Kansas or Mississippi with a modest prize fund has a shot at getting a GM or IM to show up and thrill the local crowd.

The top players don't need added incentive to play in the so-called mega-tournaments. Without the Grand Prix you would rarely see them away from the Coasts in events with \$1000.00 prize funds. Further, I have a hard time believing that seeding either Alexander or Igor Ivanov into the U.S. Closed weakens the event one iota. A strong case can be made that a player who has the risky style necessary to win the Grand Prix can only make the Championship more interesting. Look at Igor Ivanov's win over Yasser Seirawan, which won the Crenshaw Prize, for proof.

Lastly, I think Walter is wrong about "Quick Chess" (G/10, G/15) being an inferior form of chess. Of course G/10-G/15 is an artificial time control, as is G/5 or 40/120. Louis Paulsen claimed any time control bastardized the game. For myself, I have played almost 150 rated games at the new time control, and I am not unique. This speed of chess has only existed for six months and it is catching on! In some areas it seems to be rivaling "regular" chess in popularity.

G/10 allows for one or two fairly deep calculations in a game and seems to somewhat reduce the hanging of pieces, while only adding ten minutes to each round. I am a member of WBCA and enjoy G/5, but I fear the WBCA's existence. I also believe that any organization which is subsidized in order to operate, as WBCA seems to be, can not ultimately survive. In the long run, the owner/staff of an organization must receive adequate compensation ("good feelings" are a short-term fix) or they will abandon ship. This means WBCA will eventually raise fees or disappear. Either way we have a problem.

Thank you, Walter, for all you've done, and thank you *CCJ* for interesting articles such as this.

—Robert B. Tanner, NM/IA

## World Junior Championships

The strength of junior chess in our Region XI (Arizona, Nevada, California and Hawaii) was evident by the number of players we fielded at the World Junior Championships held in Germany in July. Six of the juniors representing the United States were from our region. The US players faced strong competition from the representatives of the independent states of the former Soviet Union. Northern Californians **Jordy Mont-Reynaud** and **Jennie Frenklakh** did well in their sections. Jordy tied for ninth (out of 46 players) in the Boys Under 8 Category and Jennie tied for 13th (out of 44 players) in the Girls Under 12 Category. **Andrea Peterson** of Arizona tied for 15th (out of 44 players) in the Girls Under 8; her older brother **David Peterson** tied for 42nd (out of 68 players) in Boys Under 12. **Tal Shaked**, also of Arizona, tied for 13th (out of 63 players) in the Boys Under 14, and **Yvonne Krawiec** of Southern California tied for 16th (out of 54 players) in the Girls Under 16. Next year's World Junior Championships are scheduled to be held in Czechoslovakia.



# Bank of America Chess Club

by Joseph K. Puechner

**I**t was way back in 1955 when I started with the Bank of America NT & SA as Assistant to the Chief Teller at the Main Office at 300 Montgomery Street, coming fresh from a three-year stint with the Dominion Bank in Canada in both Winnipeg and Calgary.

On paydays, bank employees had to cash their checks between 9:00 and 10:00 a.m., so I made the acquaintance of many, and particularly of one George Teltoft, who was then a New Business Officer for the International Banking Office in San Francisco.

He noticed my accent and asked me whether I perhaps played chess. In his job, he called routinely on many Bay Area businesses. This was very competitive, with the Bank of America trying to get a foothold in the international trade scene with letters of credit, acceptances, etc. Getting as much preliminary information on the prospects he had to call on as possible, he noticed that quite a few executives favored chess. Using this as a foothold, or weapon if you will, he had the idea of forming a chess team from among the personnel of the Bank for the sole purpose of getting new business. Preferably such personnel should come from most of the important and varied areas of the Bank, such as Trust, Travelers Cheques, Domestic Loans & Deposits, and International Services. This would make chess only a medium through which contacts could be made with key people that would enhance new business efforts.

After a few matches, and overcoming all kinds of operational problems, it became evident that losing at chess was, at times, more important than winning! This caused low morale and disillusionment among the team members, and eventually Teltoft resigned from the chess team. I became the

head honcho after that, in 1957.

I picked up the pieces, made the chess team part of the BankAmerica Club as a leisure activity for the many staff members, next to such other common activities as bowling, tennis, golf, philately, etc., and entered a team in the then Bay Area Industrial Chess League (BAICL), which was founded by a Mr. Goldschmidt of Standard Oil Research in Richmond.

This involved a lot of travelling by car, on Friday nights after work, from

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Richmond to San Jose, from Livermore to San Quentin, and, as you can well imagine, created new problems of liability to the car owners, family discontent, and, at times, open hostility by wives who could not understand why their husband did not get home until 2 or 3 o'clock in the morning because they were, allegedly, playing chess. The time control of 45 moves in 1-1/2 hours made a match last at least three hours, plus the travelling time in one or two cars. Then, upon returning to SF, individual players hopped in their own vehicles and drove home to Mill Valley, Sonoma, Concord, etc. In one instance, a player was cited for driving too slow on the freeway; in another, a player fell asleep and had a heck of a time explaining that he was not drunk but had come from a chess match and, after a full Friday's work, was totally exhausted!

I founded the San Francisco Financial Chess League in 1967 (SFFCL). The primary and only reason was to eliminate travelling. We were able to play on weekdays other than Friday, and have all games domiciled by the participating banks, insurance companies, and CPA firms in the SF Financial District, within easy walking distance. Not wanting to hurt the BAICL, I restricted membership in the SFFCL to financial companies. This withdrew teams

of the BofA, Wells Fargo Bank, and Crocker Bank from the BAICL, but excluded teams from PG&E, Kaiser, Berkeley and Livermore Atomic Laboratories, IBM, Sperry Gyroscope, Chevron, San Quentin (for them, all games were "home" games), Shell Oil, and a host of others, leaving the BAICL intact.

We tried to use the Mechanics' Institute as our home base, but this only received support from Bill Addison and Charles Bagby. With the departure of Bill (ironically, he accepted a job with Crocker Bank and played on their team against us), The Mechanics' demanded compulsory membership at the same time that playing conditions worsened, because of boisterous behavior by certain oldtimers. So we started to play at each other's buildings and, in the end, BofA made its entire top floor at the 550 Montgomery Building, a cafeteria, available for SFFCL play.

But, as in all clubs, certain key people care and carry the ball, and are the nucleus or catalyst. Success waned as these people retired, transferred, or just lost interest. The Fischer/Spassky match in 1972 sparked new interest temporarily, but soon after that the SFFCL resumed slowly going downhill. By 1980, the SFFCL had simply faded away.

This was compounded by reorganization at BofA and because it was becoming increasingly difficult to host the entire League; in its heyday it consisted of eighteen six-board teams, with some members fielding more than one team, thus creating an A and a B League.

We kept in touch with departed (retirements, transfers, voluntary terminations, etc.) employees by playing correspondence games, made them Lifetime members, and played, as a chapter, other chapters of the BankAmerica Club, such as Los Angeles and currently New York (there is a game in progress with IM Vince McCambridge playing Board 1 for our side).

Current club activities focus on in-house tournaments, lessons for absolute beginners, promotion of the USCF (the Chess Club is an Affiliate), simultaneous exhibitions, lectures, etc., to keep the Chess Club alive and stimulate interest for new members. As you can well imagine, this is a constant endeavor, for even within the Bank, turnovers, separations, and retirements, make it almost like a revolving door.

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# North vs South II Scholastic Rematch

by Joe Lonsdale

**O**n Saturday, June 13th, twelve of the top scholastic players from Northern California played a match with their Southern California counterparts at the Fremont Library. This match was a follow-up to the eight-player December 1991 match (*CCJ-February/March 1992*). that was won by the North in the primary and elementary sections. This match consisted of three sections, Primary (K-3), Elementary (K-6), and Junior High (K-8). Each section consisted of four-player teams that played round robins. Ray Orwig served as tournament director and provided trophies for all participants.

The North's teams won the Primary and the Junior High sections by identical 10-6 scores. The South won an exciting 8.5-7.5 victory in the Elementary Section.

The South's players were from Chess For Juniors, the Orange County Chess Club run by **NM Robert Snyder**. The North's players in the Primary and Elementary sections were students of **Richard Shorman**. The North's Junior High team was an all-star team put together by **Ray Orwig**.

In the Junior High section Southern Californian **Andranik Maissian** (1987) and **Phillip Dardik** (1969) of San Rafael were rated more than two hundred points above all of the other participants in their section. Maissian won the first-round showdown and went on to post a perfect 4-0. However, the depth of the Northern squad was too much for the South. Even while Maissian was winning his first round victory the other three games were won by the Northern team. **Phillip Dardik**, **Harish Bhat** (1688) and the combination of **Jordy**

**Mont-Reynaud** (1801) (1-1) and **Enoch Kwok** (1418) (2-0) all lost only to **Maissian** to clinch the victory for the North. **Will Hutchinson** (1287), the bottom-rated Northern player, beat his counterpart **Matthew Davison** (1182) and contributed one point.

In the Elementary section **Harutyun Akopyan** (1798) was rated three hundred points above his nearest opponent. In the first round **Micah Fisher-Kirshner** (1480), the top-rated Northern player, pushed Akopyan to the very edge. With less than two minutes on each clock (Game/45), Micah had a small advantage, but lost in the rush to finish. He had a 1.5-2.5 score. Akopyan was never again seriously challenged and finished at 4-0.

The rest of the Northern team, **Kevin Simler** (1503), **Kia Huang** (1422), and **Joey Lonsdale** (1302), all finished with even scores. The South ended up winning by the smallest possible margin, 8.5-7.5.

The Primary section boasted two National Champions. This made a total of three for the match as **Jordy** recently won the Primary School Championship. The North's Primary team was headed by **Vinay Bhat** (1462), the reigning Second Grade National Champion. The South's team was headed by **David Rash** (1600), the top-rated nine year old in the country, and included **Asuka Nakamura** (1200), who recently won the Kindergarten Championship at the Nationals.

**Jeff Lonsdale** (1091), the lowest-rated player on the North team, led the team with 3.5 points. This included a draw with Rash and a victory over Nakamura. **Vinay Bhat** (1462) finished with three points, losing only to Rash. **Tov Fisher-Kirshner** (1270) scored 2-2 result which included a victory over Rash. **Chris Behrens** (1211) finished with 1.5 points.

This was as much of a social event as a chess match. On Friday night many of the children got together and had a great time playing soccer, basketball, pool, and baseball. After the match on Saturday, everyone went out for pizza, then many of us visited Chinatown on BART.

We are planning to renew this match every June, with the location alternating between Northern and Southern California.

## Top 25 Northern California Players

### August 1992 Rating Supplement

1.	Nick E. DeFirmian	2602
2.	Walter S. Browne	2596
3.	Jay E. Whitehead	2549
4.	Vincent McCambridge	2535
5.	Marc Leski	2534
6.	Craig H. Mar	2511
7.	Vladimir Strugatsky	2499
8.	Gregory Hjorth	2485
9.	Burt T. Izumikawa	2471
10.	Ronald L. Cusi	2466
11.	Gregory Kotlyar	2428
12.	Richard Lobo	2420
13.	Adam Lief	2417
14.	Dov Gorman	2416
14.	Paul A. Whitehead	2416
16.	Victor C. Baja	2410
17.	Vitaly Kanzaveli	2400
18.	Richard Kelson	2397
19.	Zoran Lazetich	2383
19.	Bill A. Chesney	2383
21.	Emmanuel R. Perez	2382
22.	Richard W. Koepcke	2375
23.	Paul G. Cripe	2364
24.	Julia Tverskaya	2357
25.	Loal W. Davis	2352

*Joe Lonsdale is a man torn between the two passions of his life, the game of chess and the Boston Red Sox. Since the Bosox only rotate through the area a few times per year, we are fortunate that he has time for chess. Joe teaches chess to a fast-growing group of Southern Alameda County youngsters, including three of the most talented, his sons Joey, Jeff and Jonathan. It is good luck for chess that Joe's skill as a teacher, and Babe Ruth's curse, make it odds-on that his son will play Kasparov before a Bosox player wears a World Series ring.*

# HFTS South Bay Sectionals

by NM Tom Dorsch

**T**he Days Inn on Great America Parkway in Santa Clara was the new site for the HFTS South Bay Sectionals. Thirty players competed. **Pat Howlett** organized and directed the modified round robin sections. **NM Steve Cross** (2245) won the first section with 3.5 points, giving up only one draw to **Keith Mehl** (2101). **Albert Rich** (2112) earned second place with 3-1.

In Section II only eighty points separated the highest-rated player from the lowest-rated. **Michael Gonsalves** (2003) and **Owen Overton** (1974) tied for first with 3-1 each.

In Section III the players were only separated by an eighty point range as well. Again, two players tied with 3-1. **Teri Lagler** (1923) and **Peter McKone** (1894) both were undefeated, giving up two draws, including to each other.

**Nelson Sowell** (1881) won the fourth section with 3-1, a half point over **William Kalbni** (1866). **Matthew Gross** (1634) won Section V scoring 3-1.

Tied for second were **Harish Bhat** (1617) and **Nikunj Oza** (1579) with 2.5-1.5

**White: Albert Rich (2112)**

**Black: Liz Neely (2214)**

**Closed Sicilian [B24]**

**Annotated by NM Tom Dorsch**

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7 5.d3 e6

More popular is 5...d6 aiming for ...e5. The text aims for ...f5.

6.h4?!

White launches his attack early, hoping Black will misstep, but 6.h4 does not seem to be part of an integrated plan.

6...Nge7?!

More accurate is 6...h6 or ...h5. After the text, White secures an advantage with 7.h5.

7.Bg5 Rb8 8.Rb1?

The Rook is misplaced here. Better 8.a4, so that Black's pressure on the b-file is countered by White's control of the open a-file.

8...b5 9.a3 a5 10.h5 h6 11.Be3 d6 12.hxg6 fxg6 13.Qd2 b4 14.axb4 axb4 15.Nce2 Qa5 16.Nf3 Qa2 17.0-0 Bxb2 18.Bxb6 Kd7 19.d4 Bc3 20.Qf4 cxd4

20...e5 21.dxe5 dxe5 ;20...e5 21.dxe5 Bxe5 22.Nxe5 dxe5 23.Qe3. 21.e5! d5?

21...Rh7; 21...Nf5; 21...Qc4; 21...Ba6 22.Bg7 Rh7 23.Nxc3 dxc3 24.Ra1 Qc4 25.Qxc4 Bxc4 26.Rfd1 d5.

22.Bg5 Qxc2

22...Ba6 23.Nxc3 bxc3 24.Rxb8 Rxb8 25.Rc1.

23.Nexd4 Nxd4 24.Nxd4 Bxd4 25.Qxd4 Nc6 26.Qe3 Qf5

26...Ba6 27.Rfc1 Qd3.

27.Rfc1 Ba6 28.Qc5 1-0 TIME

28...Qxg5 29.Qd6+ Ke8.

**White: Keith Mehl (2101)**

**Black: Dusan Tutush (2141)**

**Sicilian Leningrad Variation [B51]**

**Annotated by NM Tom Dorsch**

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.Bb5 +

This is a rather slow, positional approach to the inherent

dynamism of the Sicilian Defense, often a good strategic choice for players with a high threshold for boredom playing inherently dynamic opponents. An example from the highest level is **Ivanchuk-Kasparov, Linares 1991 (Informant 51/184)**, won by White in thirty-eight moves.

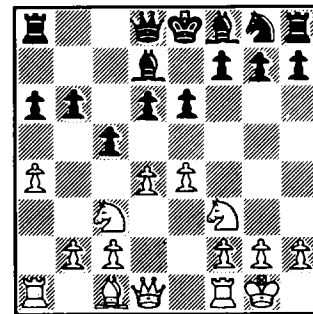
3...Nd7 4.Nc3 e6

Basketball fans want to "be like Mike", chessplayers want to "play like Garry." Garry played 4...Nf6, a more flexible move, a better post for the Knight.

5.0-0 a6 6.Bxd7+ Bxd7 7.d4 b6?

Black can get a perfectly defensible Sicilian-type position with 7...cxd4 8.Nxd4 Nf6. With the text, he establishes an unstable pawn structure, and falls behind in development trying to buttress it. This decision can therefore be singled out as the initial detour down the primrose path to dalliance.

8.a4



Now that Black has demonstrated a reluctance to play the thematic ...b5, it is okay for White to continue his development with 8.Qd3. It seems there is more than one solution to this positional puzzle, and the straightforward assault on Black's pawn structure, while not the most elegant positionally, meets the primary test—it works!

8...Ne7?

Another positional mistake. The threat of d5 is more serious than the threat of e5; thus better is 8...Nf6. Taking two moves to bring the Knight into play wastes more valuable time and creates more weaknesses.

9.a5 Ng6?

Black misses his last hope for a playable position by 9...cxd4 10.Nxd4 b5.

10.axb6 Qxb6 11.dxc5 Qxc5 12.Qd3 a5 13.b4!

Black has now fallen so far behind in development that he is vulnerable to tactical shots like this one that lay him bare. White prosecutes his attack with great vigor, giving Black no opportunity to extricate himself.

13...Qxb4

13...Qc7 14.Nb5 leads to positions similar to the game.

14.Ba3 Qb6 15.Rab1 Qc7

15...Qa6 doesn't help, e.g. 16.Rb8+ Ke7 17.Qxd6+ Qxd6 18.Bxd6+ Kxd6 19.Rxa8.

16.Nb5! Bxb5 17.Qxb5+ Qd7 18.Qxd7+ Kxd7 19.Rb7+ Ke8

Now the King is trapped in the center, and his demise is no longer a question of whether but when.

20.Nd4 Be7 21.Nc6 Bf6 22.Bxd6 Rc8 23.Nxa5 Rxc2 24.e5 Bd8 25.Nb3 Rc4 26.g3 h5 27.h4 Rg4 28.Kh2 Re4 29.Nd2 Re2 30.Nf3 Rc2 31.Kg2 Be7 32.Ra1 Rc8 33.Raa7 Bxd6 34.exd6 1-0

## Improve Your Chess!

# Alekhine's Defense: A Line for White

by R. W. Kermeen

One of the more vivid memories that I shall take with me to my grave occurred one Friday afternoon/evening in 1969. Three RAF (Royal Air Force) Cosford apprentices, Robin Rowe and I had been "selected" to play for the RAF in a match against the "Battle of Britain" competitors in London.

We left Cosford around 3 p.m. in Robin's car and travelled through Wolverhampton and Birmingham to reach the M1 [Ed. note—the freeway] (the M6 had not been even thought of—let alone opened—in 1969).

The roads were congested and we got further and further behind with our schedule. As I remember, the match was due to start at 7 p.m., and we were only parking the car in North Finchley by that time!

Fortunately, like so many chess matches, it started late—7:30 p.m.—and so we were only about one-quarter hour behind on the clock as we struggled into a building near St. Paul's Cathedral at 7:45 p.m.

I was on Board Two and had the White pieces. I sat down, completely shattered, hands shaking, brow covered in beads of sweat, and played 1.e4. The game proceeded 1...Nf6. "Ah, Alekhine's Defense," I thought to myself. "What was that good line I saw in the Manchester Guardian the other week?" "Nc3 was played early, I seem to remember," I said to myself.

Play continued:

2.e5 Nd5 3.d4 d6 4.Nc3??

And I was shocked as Black played...

4...Nc3!

I could see coming:

5.bxc3 dxe5 6.dxe5 Qxd1+ 7.Kxd1 Nc6 8.f4 Bg4 9.Be2 0-0-0

Etc., etc.! I instantly realized that I should have played 3.Nc3. After nearly four hours of travel and just four minutes of play, I had a lost game! I struggled on but lost miserably. I seem to remember we lost the match disastrously and got home in the early (late?) hours of Saturday morning thoroughly washed out.

I vowed to be better prepared the next time that I met Alekhine's Defense. What was needed was a line rarely played, but sound and easily remembered. After all, you only meet Alekhine's Defense "once or twice per year," and your opponent probably plays it regularly. Therefore, he will always know the main lines better than you. In Barden's book "A Guide to Chess Openings," I discovered the Canal Variation—4.Bc4.

### The Canal Variation

1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.d4 d6 4.Bc4

According to Barden, "...this rarely-played variation is a great favorite of the Peruvian master, Canal, who has obtained exceptionally good results with it."

4...e6

The alternative 4...Nb6 is more common and is described below.

*Bob Kermeen is an RAF Group Captain (Lieutenant Colonel) in England, and one of our secondary readers. He was kind enough to share this article with us. We are strict about limiting our subject matter to articles about recent Northern California chess events, but we found this article so interesting and instructive that we bent our own rule to share it with our readers.*

5.Nf3 Be7

5...Nb6 6.Bb3 Nc6 7.Qe2 Be7 8.0-0 0-0 9.c3 dxe5 10.dxe5 Nd7 11.Bc2 a5 12.Rd1 and White has a definite edge (Canal-Giustolisi, Venice 1948).

6.0-0 Nc6 7.Re1 0-0 8.Nc3 Nc3 9.bxc3 d5 10.Bd3

And White has a fine attack (Canal-Grünfeld, Carlsbad 1929).

Most commonly played is 4...Nb6, where the authoritative game is Canal—Perez, Madrid 1951: (1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.d4 d6 4.Bc4).

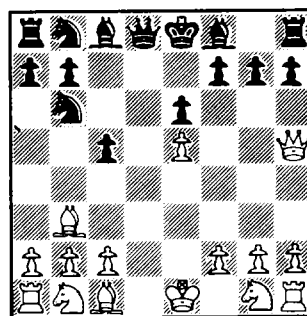
4...Nb6 5.Bb3 dxe5

Almost always played in my experience, though it may not be the best. Modern texts appear to recommend 5...Bf5 as played in Arnason-Alburt, Lone Pine 1980. This game continued 6.Qf3 Qc8 7.Nh3?! Nc6 8.c3 e6 9.Ng5 Be7 with equality. However, Arnason surely missed 7.Bxf7! Kxf7 8.g4, when White regains his piece at once and must have the better game. For example, 8...e6 9.gxf5 exf5 10.Nh3 h6 11.Nf4, and if Black plays 11...g6, to prevent 12.Qh5+, then 12.Rg1 Rg8 13.Rxg6 Rxg6 14.Qh5 regains the Rook with a big plus. I've never had the chance to try this idea over the board myself, but I look forward to the day when I can!

6.Qh5

This move has a great psychological boost about it!

6...e6 7.dxe5 c5



For 7...g6 see below. The game Kermeen—Goldschmidt, Enfield 1973, went 7...a5 8.c3 a4 9.Bc2 Bd7 10.Bf4 with a good game but eventually drawn. Books tend to recommend 8.a4 in this line rather than 8.c3 which allows Black to play 8...Qd3. I'm not sure that 8...Qd3 is all that strong as after 9.Qf3 Qxf3 10.Nxf3, White is well ahead in development and Black's position is very cramped. In Kermeen—McClennan, Lincoln Club Championship 1972, the game continued 7...Be7 8.c3 Nc6 9.Bf4 Nd5 10.Bg3 Na5 11.Bc2 Nc4 12.b3 Na3 13.Nxa3 Bxa3 14.Rd1, with a fine game which White eventually won in 43 moves.

8.c3 Nc6 9.Qe2 Be7

Kermeen—Renison, Lincolnshire County Championship 1974, went 9...Qc7, attacking the e-pawn at once. I have found that Black often adopts this tactic and the only traps that White can fall into in this variation are either to allow Black to play ...c4, winning the Bishop, or else to play Nf3 before retreating the Queen to e2. Always play Qe2 before Nf3 else the Queen can become impotent on the edge of the board. Kermeen—Renison continued 10.Nf3 Nd7 11.Bf4 g6 12.Nbd2 Bg7 13.Nc4 0-0 14.Bg3, when the overly ambitious 14...b5 lost quickly to 15.Nd6 Nde5 16.Nxe5 Qxd6 17.Ng6, etc.

10.Nf3 Qc7 11.0-0 Nd7 12.Re1 0-0 13.Bf4

Canal has defended his e-pawn differently than I did against Renison and has a powerful outpost at e5 which cannot be shifted. Meanwhile, Black has to solve the problem of his QB.

13...Rd8 14.Nbd2 Nf8 15.Rad1 b6 16.Ne4 Ng6 17.Rxd8+ Nxd8 18.Bg3 Bb7 19.Rd1 Nc6 20.Nf6!+

Giving Black no time to relieve the pressure by ...Rd8.

21...gxf6 21.exf6 Nf4 22.Qd2 Bxf6 23.Bxf4 Ne5 24.Nxe5 Bxe5 25.Bg3 Bxg3 26.Qg5+ Kh8 27.Qf6+ Kg8 28.hxg3 Be4 29.Bxe6! 1-0

**Revenge against Alekhine!**

Armed only with the details of the Canal—Perez game, I awaited my chance after the Battle of Britain debacle described above. My opportunity came at the Combined Services Championship a few months later.

Throughout the Championship I had been playing 1.d4 and doing rather well. Round 9 saw me paired against Cpl. John Trevelyan, the 1968 RAF Champion. He had already played the Alekhine's twice in the Championship and I was tempted to swap allegiance and play 1.e4 just to see how well the Canal Variation would stand up against the highest-rated player in the tournament.

**White: R. W. Kermeen**

**Black: J. Trevelyan**

RAF Newton, 1969

Alekhine's Defense, Canal var. [B03]

Annotated by R. W. Kermeen

1.e4

I could see straight away from his reaction that he had expected me to play 1.d4.

1...Nf6

I inwardly smiled to myself!

2.e5 Nd5 3.d4 d6 4.Bc4

He stared for some time at this move and I realized that he was on his own!

3...Nb6 5.Bb3 dxe5 6.Qh5 e6 7.dxe5 g6

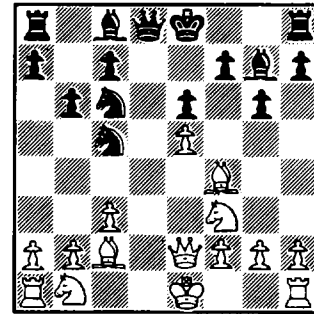
Departing from the Canal—Perez game. We were both now on our own, but I was satisfied with my position.

8.Qe2 Nc6 9.c3 Bg7 10.Nf3 Nd7

The usual theme that Black gets up to—after the e-pawn.

11.Bf4 Nc5 12.Bc2 b6?

Black seeks to develop his QB by fianchetto—just as Perez did. However, he should have castled first.



13.b4! Nb7?

This loses a piece. Essential was 13...Nd7, although after 14.Be4 Bb7 15.Qb5 Ndb8 16.Nd4, White has terrific pressure against the pinned Black Knight.

14.Ba4 Bd7 15.Qe4

White has won one of the Knights.

15...Nb8 16.Bxd7+ Qxd7 17.Qxb7 Qd3?? 18.Qxa8 1-0

Some seven or eight years later I met John whilst playing in the North Surrey League. He had not forgotten this encounter and admitted to never having played Alekhine's Defense again in a serious game.

**Postscript**

If you like fun in five-minute games, try Pickett's move 5.e6!? (Paul Watson advocates it!). The idea is 1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.d4 d6 4.Bc4 Nb6 5.e6 Nxc4 6.exf7+ Kxf7 7.Qf3+ Ke8 8.Qh5+ g6 9.Qb5+ Qd7 10.Qxc4, etc. Most players will play 9...Bd7?, when White has a good game. Unfortunately, after 9...Qd7, Black has 10...Qg4! with good chances. Still, it is worth trying! Good luck with the Canal Variation.

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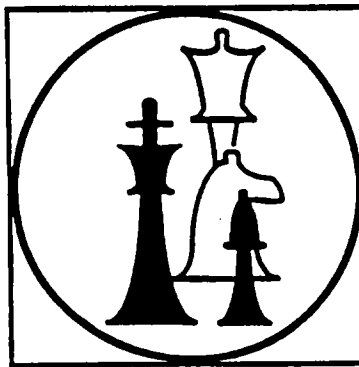
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# Summer Scholastics Sizzle

By Ray Orwig and Alan Kirshner

**F**or several years CalChess' Scholastic Director Ray Orwig has been organizing a series of scholastic tournaments all over Alameda County during the summer months. Held at various libraries, these tournaments introduce many kids (and parent spectators) to the fun of tournament competition. They also serve the flourishing junior population of USCF members. Most of the events are non-rated, but in recent years Orwig has included rated tournaments as well due to the number of rated junior players that attend.

The first summer event was held June 19-20 at the Fremont Library. Two tournaments were held on consecutive days. A total of eighty-nine players competed between the two days. In the first rated tournament, open to all juniors, **Vinay Bhat** (1462) finished ahead of the rest of group with a perfect 3-0 score. Tied for second were **Harish Bhat** (1617) and **Kai Huang** (1409) who only gave up a point to each other in the second round. There were two unrated divisions. In the High School Division **John Fong** scored 3-0 to earn first place. Tied for second were **Joseph De Marco** and **Jimmy Williams**. In the Junior High Section **Michael Feng** too scored a perfect 3-0. Tied for second were **James Lin** and **Tlaloc Medina**, each half a point behind the winner.

On the following day the Bhat brothers did not play, but **Kai Huang** (1409) came back and won all three of his games in the rated section. Between the two days he picked up 41 rating points! In second place was **Micah Fisher-Kirshner** (1484) with 2.5 points and tied for third were **Diana Ong** (1275), **Tov Fisher-Kirshner** (1270), **Christopher Behrens** (1211), and **Kaiping Su** (1120).

**Azman Hussain** won the Primary (K-3 non-rated) Division with his perfect 4-0 performance. **Kevin Bui** was not far behind winning second with 3.5-0.5. **Chris Gin**, **Henry Cheung**, **Solon Yang**, and **Khenyian Cheung** shared a four-way tie for third place.

In the Elementary (4-6) Section **Jerry Fong** went undefeated. Tied for second place were **Thomas Doung**, **Jeff Wang**, and **Jefrey Herzstein**.

The Dublin Library Summer Scholastic was held July 11, at the Alameda County Public Library in Dublin. The library was knee-deep with chess-playing kids all day long. Alan Kirshner directed the event, which featured separate sections for K-3 and 4-6 grades in the morning, and a Junior High and High School section in the evening. The winners are pictured below.



**Dublin Library Tournament (K-3)**  
(L-R): TD Dr. Alan Kirshner, Victor Chiu (1st), Kevin Bui (3rd), Atlund Smith (2nd)



**Dublin Library Tournament (4-6)**  
(Front Row L-R): Chia Zhing (3rd), Azman Hussain (3rd), Micah Fisher-Kirshner (1st), Tov Fisher-Kirshner (2nd), Albert Souchet (2nd);  
(Back Row L-R): Dominique Jenkins (3rd), Jeff Wang (3rd), Bryan Cuayu (3rd)



**Dublin Library Tournament (Jr & Sr High)**  
(Front Row L-R): Ilyn Ych (3rd), Kai Huang (1st), Micah Fisher-Kirshner (1st), Tov Fisher-Kirshner (3rd), Enoch Kwok (3rd);  
(Back Row L-R): Jasm Ma (3rd), Jeff Wang (3rd). Not pictured Omar Goya (2nd)

The Hayward Library was the site of the July 17th tournament. In all, eighty-one players competed. **Kevin Simler** (1466) won the rated section with 4-0. **Joey Lonsdale** (1302) earned second place, giving up only one point to Simler, and **Micah Fisher-Kirshner** (1450) came in third place with 2-2.

In the Primary (K-3) Division fourteen players competed. Tied for first place with 3.5-0.5 were **Matthew Herzstein**, **Chris Smith** and five-year old **Jonathan Lonsdale**. **Victor Chiu** was fourth with 3-1. The Elementary (4-6th Grades) Division had the largest turnout with forty-two players. Again there was a three-way tie for first place. **Darryl Young**, **Alberto Rodriguez** and **Bryan Cua Yu** all had perfect scores. Tied for 4th-9th places with 3-1 were **Jeff Wang**, **Jeff Herzstein**, **Kevin So**, **Thomas Duong**, **Robert Bennett**, **Jack Canio**, **Paul Hood**, **Dianne Dempsey** and **Dominique Jenkins**.

In the Afternoon session the Junior High and High School Divisions competed. In the Rated Division **Adrian Keatinge-Clay** (1875), Northern California's 1992 High School Champion won first place with 3-0. Tied for second were **Henry Hsieh** (1395), **Brian Jew** (1847) and **Micah Fisher-Kirshner** (1450). In the Junior High Section there was a four-way tie for first place. **Chia Zheng**, **Emanuel Fulea**, **Jeff Wang**, and **Harland Patajo** all tied with 2.5-0.5. In the High School Section **Lee Patajo** won clear first with 3-0. Tied for second were **Andrew Gaerlan** and **Dave Desimone** with 2-1 each.

The following week the tournament moved to the San Lorenzo Library. Many of the same kids played there as well. In the Primary Section **Victor Chiu** won all of his games to claim first place. **Curtis Holsinger** came in second with 3-1. Again, the Elementary Section had the greatest number of players. **Albert Souchet** led the field of twenty-seven players by winning all of his games. Tied for second with 3-1 were **Alberto Rodriguez**, **Dominique Jenkins**, **Jeff Wang**, **Ryland Tecson**, **Chris Nguyen**, and **Kevin Liang**. In the Junior High Section **Emmanuel Fulea** won decisively with a 5-0 score. In second place was **Jeff Wang** with 4-1 and in third, **Garrett Fogel** with 3-2. **Henry Hsieh** led the High School Division with 3-0. **Darrin Mourer** came in second with 2-1.

#### FREMONT SUMMER SCHOLASTIC TOURNAMENT

by Alan M. Kirshner, Ph.D.

The Fremont Club's Summer Scholastic proved successful beyond Assistant TD **Pat Jackson's** and my hopes. There were sixty-seven entries in this Kindergarten through Sixth Grade tournament, a huge turnout of new players, thirty-seven of whom are new members of the USCF. And my new computer pairing program performed flawlessly, making accurate and prompt pairings for each round of the event, and making it possible to provide copies of the final results to all those who requested them on the last night.

Eleven trophies were awarded, five for the rated players, five for the unrateds, and one for best upset. **Uri Shpiro** (1336) defeated **Micah Fisher-Kirshner** (1450) in a fourth-round upset and went on to win the tournament by defeating **Kai Huang** (1475) in the final round, scoring the only perfect 5-0 score. **Joey Lonsdale** (1334) came in second after taking a first-round bye because of a trip to New York. He had to play his brother **Jeffrey** (1095) in the final round because they were the only ones with 3.5 points.

The "Best Upset" trophy went to **Diana Ong** (1275) for her victory over **Kevin Simler** (1503). Diana won four of her five games.

Among the unrateds, most of the participants attend Weibel

Elementary School or Mission San Jose Elementary (Fremont), or Ruus Elementary (Hayward). They are pictured below.



Fremont CC Summer Scholastic (Rated Div.)  
(L-R): Uri Shpiro (1st), Joe Lonsdale (2nd), Kai Huang (3rd), Micah Fisher-Kirshner (4th), Tov Fisher-Kirshner (5th), Diana Ong



Fremont CC Summer Scholastic (Unrated Div.)  
(L-R): Adrian Freels (5th), Albert Souchet (3rd), Jolly Alhwallia (2nd), and Jack Canio (1st)

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# Palo Alto Futurity II

By NM Richard Koepcke

One of the strongest events to grace Northern California chess in recent years took place in Palo Alto on two consecutive weekends, May 29-June 14, 1992, when ten local masters played a round-robin FIDE-rated Futurity. The best player was Paul Cornellus (2328), with 6 points, followed by Richard Koepcke (2321) and Russell Wada (2360) with 5 1/2. Jon Frankle (2332) and John Pope (2298) completed the top half of the crosstable with 5 points, followed by Luis Busquets (2263), Jim MacFarland (2227), Gabriel Sanchez (2360), William Orton (2279), and Tom Dorsch (2251). The tournament was the latest in a series of events organized and directed by Palo Alto's Mike Arné that are rapidly raising the level of competition in Northern California chess.

Here are some games from the event.

**White:** NM James MacFarland (2227)  
**Black:** NM Richard Koepcke (2321)  
**Queen's Gambit Accepted [D21]**  
**Annotated by NM Richard Koepcke**

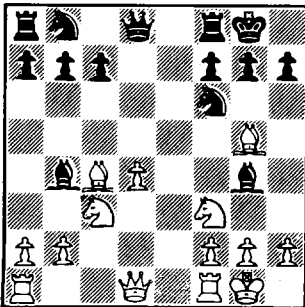
1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.e3

White usually plays the text when he wants to play a main line without allowing the ...Bg4 variation. On the downside, Black can strike at the center immediately with a resulting isolated queen pawn position that gives dynamic chances for both sides.

3...e5 4.Bxc4 exd4 5.exd4 Nf6 6.Nf3 Bb4+ 7.Nc3 0-0 8.0-0 Bg4

9.Qb3 can be answered by 9...Bxf3 10.Qxb4 Nc6 11.Qxb7 Rb8 12.Qa6 Rb6 13.Qa4 Rb4 with equality. In a game against Strugatsky (LERA Peninsula Class Championships, 3/91), I omitted 8...Bg4 and played 8...Nc6 directly, which should have been good enough for equality after 9.a3 Bxc3+ 10.bxc3 Na5 11.Bd3 Be6 12.Ne5 Nb3, followed by 13...Nc1 and 14...c5. But I played 12...c5 instead, and quickly obtained a bad game.

9.Bg5



The main line given by ECO starts with 9.a3. The book line is 9...Nc6 10.Nd5 Be7 11.Nxe7 Qxe7 12.h3 Bxf3 13.Qxf3 Qe4 [Yrjöla-Raavilainen, Helsinki 1984], which is supposed to be "unclear." After 14.Qxe4 Nxe4 15.Be3, White's two Bishops should give him a slightly better position. At the board, I was not aware of this theory, but not liking the looks of 9...Nc6 10.Nd5, I played...

9...Be7!? 10.Qd3 Nc6 11.Ne5! Nb4

Practically forced. 11...Nxd4 loses a piece to 12.Nxg4 Nxg4 13.Bxe7, while 11...Nxe5 12.dxe5 Qxd3 13.Bxd3 Nd5 14.Bxe7 Nxe7 15.Be4 c6 16.f4 gives White an edge.

12.Qd2 Bh5?

Better is 12...Bf5. The Bishop is in danger of being trapped on h5.

13.a3?

Returning the favor. 13.f4!, threatening h3 and g4, maintains the initiative.

13...Nbd5 14.Nxd5 Nxd5 15.Bxe7 Nxe7 16.Qg5 Bg6 17.Rad1 Nd5 18.Qd8?

The resulting ending requires very accurate defense from White to obtain a draw. 18.Qg3 maintained the balance.

18...Raxd8 19.Nxg6 hxg6 20.Rfe1 Nb6 21.Bb3 Rd7 22.Re5?!

Hoping to sacrifice the d-pawn for counterplay. Passive defense via Re3 is better.

22...Rfd8 23.g3 Kf8

Not 23...Rxd4? 24.Rxd4 Rxd4 25.Re8+ Kh7 26.Re7=.

24.h4 Rxd4 25.Rde1 Nd5 26.h5 gxh5

Originally, I intended to play 26...f6 27.Rxd5 R4xd5 28.Bxd5 Rxd5 29.hxg6 Rg5, followed by 30...Rxg6, and rejected it because White's Rook can get to the seventh rank.

27.Rxh5 Kg8?

27...Nf6 28.Rh8+ Ng8 is forced.

28.Kg2? g6

We both missed 28.Rxd5 R4xd5 29.Bxd5 Rxd5 30.Re8+ Kh7 31.Re7=. After Black's next, the same combination fails because Black plays ...Kg7 and ...Re5.

29.Rhe5 Kg7 30.Re8 Rd7

After 30...Rxe8 31.Rxe8 Nf6 32.Ra8 a6 33.Ra7, White reestablishes material equality.

31.Rb8 c6 32.Ree8 Rd2 33.Bxd5 cxd5 34.g4 Kf6

Stopping 35.g5.

35.b4 Ra2

Better is 35...d4.

36.Re3 d4 37.Rd3 Ke5 38.Re8+ Kd5 39.Rc8 Ke4 40.Rb3

Just making the time control; White's last moves were made with only seconds on his clock. The d-pawn cannot be stopped without the loss of the queenside pawns.

40...Kf4 41.Rd3 Ke4 42.Rb3 d3 43.Rc1 Rc2

Planning to bring the King to c3 in support of the d-pawn. wWg to run away. 44.Re1 Kd4 45.b5 Kc4 46.Rb4+ Kc3 47.Reb1 Ra2

Not 47...d2?? 48.R1b3 mate.

48.Rc1+ Kd2 49.Rcc4 Rc2 50.Re4 Kd1 51.Kf3 d2 52.Rb1+ Rc1 53.Rb2 Rc3+ 0-1

**White:** NM John Pope (2298)

**Black:** NM Russell Wada (2360)

**Benoni Defense [A62]**

**Annotated by NM Richard Koepcke**

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 e6 4.Nc3 exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.Nf3 g6 7.g3 Bg7 8.Bg2 0-0 9.0-0 a6 10.a4 Qc7?

Probably played with the idea of eventually playing c4 followed by b5. This plan is at least four tempos away, while White's standard break through e5-e5 can be achieved in two moves. Hence, the more conventional attempts to control e5 with Nbd7 or Re8 are to be preferred.

11.Bf4!? Nbd7 12.h3 Rb8 13.Rc1?

Either here or on the previous move White should have played 13.e4 followed by Re1 and e5. The Rook is not well placed here as the a-file is more likely to open after Black plays b5 than the c-file after White plays b4.

13...Nh5 14.Bg5 h6 15.Bd2 f5!? 16.e4 f4

Sharp play by Black has provoked a crisis. If White doesn't react immediately he will have to defend passively across the whole board. There are two options: either play the text move which wins a pawn or, seek counterplay in the center with 17.g4 Nxf6 18.Bxf4 (otherwise Black plays g5 with a dark-square bind). Nxe4 (18...Nxg4 19.Bg3 is good for White) 19.Bh2 Nxc3 20.bxc3 b5 21.axb3 axb3 22.Nh4 with an unclear position.

17.Nh4 Ne5!

Not 17...Kh7 18.Nxg6 Kxg6 19.Qg4+ and White is better.

18.Nxg6 Nxg6 19.Qxh5 Q7?

How does White answer the threat 20...f3?

20.gxf4

The only chance is to try to solve the problem tactically with 20.Qf3 b5 (not 20...Ne5 21.Qxf4 Nd3 22.Qxf7+ Rxf7 23.Rb1 Bd4 24.Nd1 where Black doesn't have enough play for two pawns.) 21.axb3 axb3 22.b3 Be5 24.Ne2 Bd7 when Black's



piece activity should compensate for the material deficit.

20...Nxf4 21.Qxf7+ Rxf7 22.Bxf4

If 22.Kh2 Nd3 regains the pawn with initiative.

22...Rxf4 23.Ne2 Rh4 24.b3 b5 25.Rb1 Bb7 26.Ng3 Rf8!

Ignoring the pawn to maintain a kingside clamp. White's pawns are not going to run away.

27.axb5 axb5 28.Ne2 Be5 29.f4

A desperate bid for counterplay.

29...Bxf4 30.Nxf4 Rxf4 31.Rxf4 Rxf4 32.Ra1 Kf8 33.Rf1?

A typical time pressure blunder. White has much better drawing chances with the Rooks on the board.

33...Rxf1+ 34.Kxf1 Ke7 35.Ke2 Kf6 36.Ke3 Ke5 37.Bf1 b4 38.h4 Bg4 39.Bd3 Bd1 40.Bc4 Bc2 0-1

White: NM Richard Koepcke (2321)

Black: NM John Pope (2298)

Czech Benoni [A56]

Annotated by NM Richard Koepcke

Prior to this game, I had decided that I did not want to get involved in a theoretical discussion of the King's Indian with John Pope. It was with this in mind that I spent several nights studying the Veresov Opening (1.d4 Nf6/d5 2.Nc3).

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nc3 c5

Played almost immediately. In my home preparation I considered this only briefly. Bellon, in his book on the Veresov, claimed that 3.d5 leads to a safe Benoni for Black. So I planned to play 3.dxc5 Qa5 4.Nf3, etc. At the board, this looked too much like a Sicilian.

Besides, if Bellon is right, then Black can immediately equalize in the Classical Pirc [1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.Nf3 Bg7 5.Be2 0-0 6.0-0 c5]. Since Karpov is willing to play the White side of this, why shouldn't I?

3.d5 e5 4.e4 d6 5.Nf3 g6

This is how they used to play the Benoni in the 50's. But the Bishop will not have much future on g7. Therefore, modern masters prefer ...Be7, with the idea of eventually exchanging the Bishop off on g5.

6.Be2 Bg7 7.h3 0-0

7...Nh5!? is worth a look. Now White temporarily closes the kingside, preparing to open it at a fortuitous moment.

8.g4 Ne8 9.Be3 a6

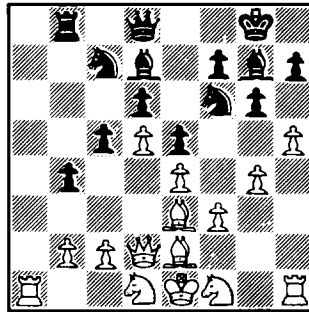
If ...f5, White maintains an advantage by exchanging twice on f5, followed by Ng5.

10.a4 Nd7 11.Qd2 Rb8 12.h4 Ndf6 13.Nh2 b5 14.axb5 axb5 15.f3

Of course not 15.Bxb5 because of 15...Nxe4. Black has achieved the thematic

...b5, but because he does not have a pawn majority on the queenside, his counterplay will be much slower than in the Modern Benoni.

15...Nc7 16.Nd1 Bb7 17.h5 b4 18.Nf1



Black is at the crossroads. He has two options, either to calmly continue his queenside activity and hope that White doesn't proceed more quickly with his mating attack, or to make a speculative piece sac in an immediate bid for an initiative. Pope chooses the latter, I would prefer to let White sac material for an attack. Objectively, neither plan should work.

18...Bxg4 19.fxg4 Nxe4 20.Qd3 Nf6

Worth consideration is 20...f5.

21.hxg6 Ncx5 22.gxh7+

The peanut gallery thought this was a mistake because it slows down White's mating attack. However, mate is no longer required to win the game. I wanted to cut down on Black's piece activity, with an eye toward consolidating my material advantage.

22...Kh8 23.Bg5 Ra8 24.Rxa8 Qxa8 25.Rh2 Re8 26.Qh3?

A mistake which allows Black to exchange off the menacing dark-square Bishop. Better is 26.Ng3.

26...Nf4 27.Qh4 Ng6 28.Qf2 Re6?

Returning the favor. 28...Ne4 offers better chances.

29.Ng3 Qe8 30.Nf5

With threats 30.Bc4 and 30.Nxg7 looming, there is no longer a reasonable defense for Black.

30...Nxb7 31.Bc4 Kg8 32.Nxg7 Kxg7 33.Bh6+ Kg8 34.Bxe6 Qxe6

Better is "Resigns," however extreme time pressure pushes Black onward.

35.Qf5 Qc4 36.Ne3 Qd4 37.Rf2 Nf4 38.Qc8+ 1-0

White: William Orton (2279)

Black: Paul Cornelius (2328)

French Advance [C02]

Annotated by NM Richard Koepcke

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.a3 c4 7.Ng5

Normal here is 7.Be2 or g3, but Orton has his own scheme. Now that the d-pawn is no longer under attack, White gives up a

tempo in order to start an immediate kingside attack.

7...h6 8.Nh3 Bd7 9.f4 0-0-0 10.Nd2 Na5

Played to inhibit one of White's standard attacking ideas, 11.b3 followed by Bb2 and c4.

11.g3 f6 12.Bg2 Ne7 13.Nf3?

With all of White's pieces gravitating toward the kingside, Black is free to redeploy the Bishop to the b1-h7 diagonal. White should castle, then look for an opportunity to redeploy the Knight at h3, for example, after 13.0-0 Be8 14.exf6 gxf6 15.f5!? Nf5 16.Rxf5 exf5 17.Nf4 Bf7 18.Nf1, with counterplay.

13...Be8! 14.exf6? gxf6 15.Nf2 Bg6 16.Nd2

Black was threatening 16...Nb3 17.Ra2 Bb1.

16...Nf5?!

This building move looks strong, but the immediate 16...e5, as correctly pointed out by Cornelius in postgame analysis, is decisive. For example, 17.fxex5 fxe5 18.dxe5 Nf5 19.Bh3 Bc5 20.0-0 Rhf8 21.Kg2 Kb8 22.Bxf5 Bxf5, with threats everywhere.

17.Qf3 h5?

17...e5 is still a strong move.

18.0-0 Kb8 19.Re1 Bg7 20.Bh3 Rde8 21.Bf1

Redeploying the Bishop in the event of a breakthrough on the queenside.

21...Qd6

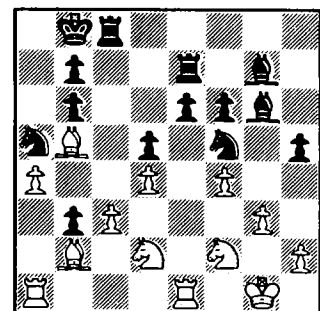
Preparing for the ...e5 central breakthrough, but also giving White the countershot he has been waiting for. In hindsight, 21...Nd6, keeping control of the white squares, is more prudent.

22.b3! cxb3 23.Bb2 Rc8 24.Qe2 Rhe8 25.Qb5 Qb6 26.Qxb6 axb6

The tripled pawns look bad, but how is White going to exploit them? Given a free move, Black will play 27...Nd6, when the pawn on b3 will become a thorn in White's position.

27.Bb5 Re7 28.a4

Black's clear edge on move 16 has changed into an unclear position with chances for both sides.



# Readers' Games

**White: Owen Overton (2050)**

**Black: Doug Dekker (2150)**

**Kolty CC Team Championship, Round. 5**

**English Opening [A21]**

**Annotated by Doug Dekker**

1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 d6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7 5.e3 f5 6.Nge2 Nf6 7.0-0 0-0  
8.Rb1 a5 9.a3 c6 10.d4 e4 11.d5 c5 12.f3 exf3 13.Bxf3 Nbd7  
14.b3?

Much better was 14.Nf4!, e.g. 14...Ne5 15.Ne6! Bxe6  
16.dxe6 when Black can lose: 16...Nxc4?? 17.Bd5! Nxd5  
18.Qxd5 Nb6 19.e7+ and White wins. If 16...Qe7 17.Nd5 etc.  
Best seems to be 16...Nxf3+ 17.Qxf3 Re8! 18.Qxb7 Rxe6 19.Nd5  
Rb8 with an advantage for Black.

14...Ne5 15.Bg2 Bd7 16.e4?! fxe4 17.Nxe4 Nxe4 18.Bxe4 b5  
19.Bf4 Qe7 20.Qc2 a4! 21.bxa4?!

Preferable was 21.cxb5 Bxb5 22.b4, although Black is better  
after 22...Rfc8.

21...Rxa4!

Stronger than the obvious 21...Nc4+ followed by 22...Nxa3.

22.cxb5 Rc4 23.Nc3 Ng4

Threatening 24...Rxc3. All of Black's pieces participate.

24.Bxg6 hxg6

With the new threat of 25...Bf5.

25.Rbe1 Qf6 26.Bd2

26.Be5! is met by 26...Qxf1+ 27.Rxf1 Rxf1+ 28.Kg2  
(28.Kxf1 Ne3+) Rf2+ winning.

26...Qd4+ 27.Kg2 Rf2+ 0-1

**White: John Gomez (1717)**

**Black: Elizabeth Shaughnessy (1700)**

**Berkeley Club, 7/24/92**

**Ruy Lopez [C65]**

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Nf6 4.0-0 Bc5 5.Nxe5 Nxe4 6.Nxf7  
Kxf7 7.Qh5+ Kf8 8.Qf5+ Qf6 9.Qxe4 Ne7 10.Nc3 d6 11.Qe2 a6  
12.Bc4 Bf5 13.d3 c6 14.g4 Qg6 15.Re1 d5 16.Kh1 Bxg4 17.f3  
Bh3 18.Na4 Bd6 19.Rg1 Qh5 20.Rg5 Qh4 21.Bb3 Bf1 22.Rg4  
Qxg4 23.Qxf1 Qh5 24.f4 Nf5 25.Qf2 Qd1+ 26.Qg1 Qxg1+  
27.Kxg1 Re8 28.Kf2 Nd4 29.Nc3 Nxb3 30.axb3 Bc5 31.Kf3  
Ke7 32.Bd2 Bb4 33.Re1+ Kd6 34.Rg1 Bxc3 35.Bxc3 Rhg8  
36.Rxg7 Rxg7 37.Bxg7 Ke6 38.Kg4 Kf7 39.Be5 Rg8+ 40.Kf3  
Ke6 41.Kf2 h5 42.Bc7 h4 43.Be5 h3 44.c4 Kf5 45.Kf3 Rg2  
46.Bc7 Rxh2 47.Kg3 Rxb2 48.cxd5 h2 0-1

**White: Vinay Bhat (1387)**

**Black: Rubin Miller (1304)**

**1992 National Elementary Championship**

**Sicilian Grand Prix [B23]**

**Annotated by Vinay Bhat**

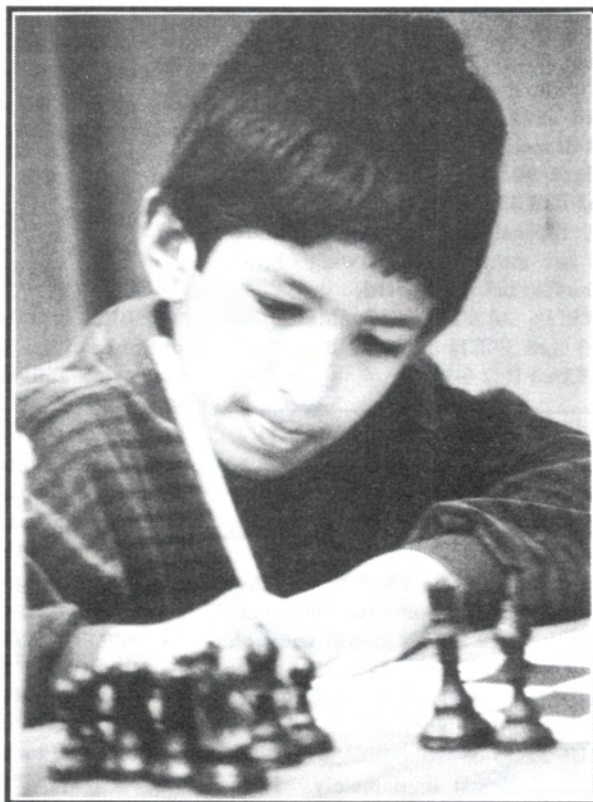
1. e4 c5 2. Nc3 Nc6 3. f4 d6 4. Bb5 Bd7 5. Nf3 g6 6. 0-0 Nf6 7. d3 Bg7  
8. Qe1 0-0 9. Bxc6 Bxc6 10. f5 e6 11. Qh4 Nh5?! 12. Bg5 Nf6? 13.  
e5! Bxf3 14. exf6 Bh8 15. fxe6!

A better move than Rxf3. Threatens e6-e7 and if 15...fxe6?? then  
f7+ wins the Queen.

15...Bh5 16. e7 Qe8 17. exf8Q+ Qxf8 18. Nd5!

Threatens 19.Ne7+, Qxe7 is forced.

18...Qd8 19. Bh6 Bg7? 20. Bxg7 h6? 21. Ne7+ Kh7 22. g4 Qe8 23.  
gxh5 g5 24. Qe4 mate 1-0



8-year old Vinay Bhat

**White: Richard Koepcke (2321)**

**Black: Ahmad Koopal (2210)**

**Palo Alto Quads 5/10/92**

**King's Indian [E94]**

**Annotated by NM Richard Koepcke**

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 0-0 5.Nf3 d6 6.Be2 e5 7.0-0  
Nbd7 8.Be3 exd4

Black usually delays this capture a few moves; preferring  
Ng4 or c6 instead. This sideline seems to be one of Koopal's pet  
variations as this is the third straight game we have played in  
which it appeared. Black is planning to put as much pressure as he  
can on the e-file, then rip the center open with c6 followed by d5.  
In the first two games, I erred early on, and Black obtained  
winning positions in both games.

9.Nxd4 Re8 10.f3 c6 11.Qd2 Qe7

The 'book' move, but probably a premature commitment of  
the Queen to the kingside. Black should keep the options for his  
Queen open, and play either ...a5 or ...Nc5 instead.

12.Bg5

ECO claims an advantage for White after 11.Nc2. The text  
move is also logical in that it removes the Bishop from the e-file  
and makes Black's counter punch ...d5 harder to organize.

12...Nb6 13.Rad1 d5?

I thought I had prevented this.

14.cxd5 cxd5 15.exd5 Qc5 16.Kh1 Nfxd5 17.Bb5?

17.Nxd5 Qxd5 (17...Nxd5 18.Nb3) 18.Nd5 wins an ex-

# IM Hjorth First in Class Struggle

By IM Greg Hjorth and Don Shenum

The sixth annual Berkeley Class Struggle took place June 20-21 at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Student Union, on the UC-Berkeley campus. 107 hungry chessplayers braved Berkeley traffic and parking to fight it out in one of six classes. In the open section, top-seeded Australian **IM Greg Hjorth**, a mathematics graduate student at Cal, took clear first with a score of 3.5 out of 4. Greg typically comes out of hiding over the summer and plays throughout the Bay Area. In the third round, Greg surrendered a draw to underrated **Henry Robles** (2182), who tied for second at 3-1 with **Pam Ruggiero** (2133) and **Ron Basich** (2243). Second-seeded Rich Kelson suffered a disappointing tournament. After swindling a draw in a knight-down ending to Pam Ruggiero, Rich lost a hard-fought game to Hjorth in the last round (annotated by Hjorth at the end of this article).

In the Expert section, **David Gee** (2020) took clear first with 3.5 out of 4 points, followed closely by **Henry Wong** (Unr.), **Rudolfo Zapata**, (2027) and **Michael Gonzalves** (2003). (This was Gonzalves' first tournament as an Expert). Wong had a chance for clear first by beating Gee in the last round, but after a seesaw struggle Wong had to settle for a perpetual check threat and a draw.

The "A" section had a very youthful flavor to it. But in the end, veteran player **Tony Lama** (1905) topped the section with 3.5 out of 4 points. **Steven Lender** (1900) joined the much younger trio of **Peter Lee** (1947), **Adrian Keatinge-Clay** (1875), and **Brian Jew** (1847) for second place with 3 out of 4.

In the "B" section, **George Waters** (1657) posted one of the few perfect scores of the weekend with a 4-0 score. Luck was on George's side. George managed to win one game a piece down. Late entrant **Ronald Perez** (1742) posted another "perfect" score. After a first-round bye, he won the rest of his games and finished clear second at 3.5 out of 4. **Dmitry Karshtedt** (1689), **Francisco Carrillo** (1634), and **Glenn McEnroe** (1634) tied for third place with 3-1 scores.

**Charles Faulkner** (1498) bested the "C" section with a perfect 4-0 score. **Eric Wainwright** (1421) and **Gundars August** (1416) tied for second with 3 points out of 4. In the D/E/Unrated section, unrated **Roel Zoleta** took clear first with a perfect 4-0 score. Second in the section were **T. Allen Giles** (1309), **Uri Shpiro** (1306), **Stephen Clarke** (1285), and **Andrew Milburn** (Unr.).

## Readers' Games (continued)

change. At the time I mistakenly thought that 18...Qxd2 19.Rxd2 Nd5 20.Rxd5 Rxc2 held the balance, forgetting that 21.Rd8+ Bf8 22.Bh6 could not be met by 21...Be6 as there is no longer a Knight on b6. Now Black can gain the upper hand with 17...Nxc3! 18.bxc3 Rf8. Instead he returned the favor. 17...Nc4? 18.Bxc4 Qxc4 19.Ndb5! Nxc3 20.Nd6 Qc5 21.Nxe8 Nxd1 22.Nxg7 Nf2+ 23.Rxf2 Kxg7

After a long sequence of forced moves White has obtained a technical win because Black is a piece down on the dark squares. 24.Bh6+ Kf6 25.g4??

In time pressure I played this lemon because I wanted to make a threat while simultaneously eliminating all back rank cheapos. 24.Qd8+ was immediately decisive.

25...Be6 26.Be3 Qc6 27.Bd4+ Ke7 28.Qb4+ Ke8??

The King can escape to safety with 28...Kd7.

29.Bf6!

The tournament was organized and directed by the Berkeley trio of **Peter Yu**, **Alan Tse**, and myself. This was Peter's last tournament directing...as a bachelor. Peter married **Emmie Tran** of Las Vegas the following weekend. The wedding was held in the Student Union, the same building in which Peter has played and directed many chess tournaments. I'll let the reader create his own corny joke about chess mates and wives. But, sometime ask me to tell you a story about the bachelor party...

White: **NM Richard Kelson** (2385)

Black: **IM Greg Hjorth** (2485)

Philidor's Defense [C41]

Annotated by **IM Greg Hjorth**

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 Nd7 4. Bc4 c6 5. 0-0 Be7 6. dxe5 dxe5 7. Ng5 Bxg5

7...Nh6 8. Ne6 fxe6 9. Bxh6 gxh6 10. Qh5 Kf8 11. Be6.

8. Qh5 Qe7 9. Bxg5 Ngf6 10. Qh4 Nf8 11. Nd2 Ng6 12. Bxf6 gxf6 13. Qh6! Bg4 14. f3 0-0-0 15. Bd3 Rdg8

15...Qb4!?

16. Kh1 Qb4 17. g3 Be6 18. Nb3 c5 19. Qe3?!

19. Qd2 Qxd2 20. Nxd2 h5 21. h4 Ne7 22. Kh2 Nc6=.

19...c4 20. Qa7 cxd3 21. a3 Qb5 22. Nc5 d2?

22...Kc7 23. cxd3 Ra8 24. Ne6 fxe6 25. Qe3 Rhd8.

23. a4! Qc6 24. Ra3! Bc4 25. Rd1!

25. Rc3 Bf1 26. Nd7 Bg2 27. Kg2 Nf4 28. Kf2 d1N!.

25...b6?

25...Rd8 26. Rc3 Rd4 a5.

26. Rc3 Qc5 27. b3 Qd6

27...Be2.

28. Rc4 Kd8 29. Qb7??

29. Rc3 Ke8 30. Rc8 ;29. Rc3 Ne7 30. Rd3 ;29. Rc3 Nf4!?

30. Qb7.

29...Ne7 30. Qa8 Kd7 31. Qb7 Ke6 32. Rc7 Rd8

32...Rc8 loses to 33.Re7 Qe7 34.Qd5 mate

33. Rd2 34. Qc7 Rd2 35. Qc4 Kd7 36. Qf7 Rc2

36...Rc8 37. c4 b5!

37. Qf6 Rhc8 38. Qe5 Rd2 39. Qb5 Ke6 40. Qb6 Kf7 41. Qg1 0-1

I was about to play 41...Nc6, when I noticed that White's flag had fallen.

Keeping the King from escaping to the queenside.

29...Qc1+ 30.Kg2 Qc7 31.Rd2 a6 32.Qd4 Rc8 33.Bg5 1-0

Black resigned since he could not avoid mate without losing a lot of material, e.g., 33...f6 34.Qxf6 Qf7 35.Rd8+; or 33...f5 34.Qh8+ Kf7 35.Qf6+ followed by Qe6+.

White: **Fred Rich** (1468)

Black: **Randy Christopher** (1689)

Kolty Club Team Match 6/4/92

Pirc Defense [B07]

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.Bc4 Bg7 5.f3 0-0 6.Be3 Nbd7 7.Qd2

c5 8.Nge2 a6 9.a4 Nb6 10.Ba2 Nbd7 11.Bh6 Qb6 12.0-0-0 cxd4

13.Nxd4 Ne5 14.h4 Nh5 15.Bxg7 Kxg7 16.Nde2 Bd7 17.Nd5

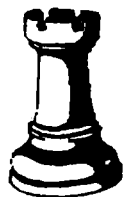
Qd8 18.Qd4 Nf6 19.h5 Nc6 20.Qd2 Rh8 21.hxg6 hxg6 22.Rxh8

Qxh8 23.Nxf6 Kxf6 24.Qf4+ Bf5 25.exf5 gxf5 26.Ng3 e6 27.Rh1

Qf8 28.Qh4+ Kg7 29.Qh7+ Kf6 30.Qh4+ Ke5 31.Re1 mate 1-0

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## Palo Alto Futurity II

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28...Nd6!? 29.Ba3 Nxb5

Forced, but sometimes forced moves are also good moves.

30.Bxe7 Nxc3 31.Ba3 Nc4

At first sight, giving up the b-pawn looks illogical. However, 31...Bc2? 32.Bb2 f5 33.Nf3 lets White out of the bind.

32.Nxb3 Bc2 33.Nc1?

The final mistake. 33.Bb4 maintains equality.

33...f5 34.Ne2

No help is 34.Bb4 Bxd4.

34...Nxe2 35.Rxe2 Bxd4 36.Ra2 Bd3 37.Rad2 Nxd2 38.Bd6+ Ka7 39.Rxd2 Rc4 40.Kg2 Be4+ 0-1

White: NM Tom Dorsch (2251)

Black: NM James MacFarland (2227)

French Wing Gambit [C00]

Annotated by NM Tom Dorsch

1.e4 e6 2.Nf3 d5 3.e5 c5 4.b4

This odd gambit has recently achieved considerable popularity, as readers of *Golden Gate Chess News* or *Chess Horizons* have noticed. Since I have liked it for twenty years, and Jim likes the French, our theoretical discussion dates back to the 70s when we both lived in the Sacramento area. I still have good results with it against Masters, so I still play it, but I must admit that the theoreticians continue to develop increasingly sophisticated defensive lines, requiring White to play with more precision. As yet, I know of no line that could fairly be considered a refutation.

4...cxb4 5.a3 Nc6 6.axb4 Bxb4

The problem with this line is that there is no really good retreat square for the Bishop once it gets out here. The text, 7...Be7, blocks development of the Ng8, and the alternative, 7...Ba5, played by Karpov, leaves the Bishop in an awkward place where it has little to do except block its own pawns.

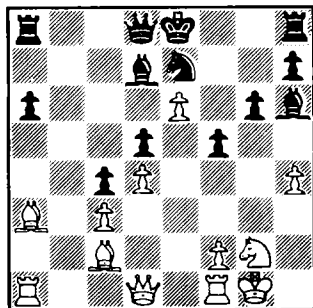
7.c3 Be7 8.d4 Bd7

Black has the choice between two reasonable plans. Most popular is to attack White's center by ...Qc7 and ...f6, the other is to create pressure on the queenside by pushing the pawns and occupying c4. White's plan is simple: track down the Black King. It has no really safe haven on the board.

9.Bd3 Na5 10.Na3 a6 11.0-0 b5 12.Ne1 Nc4 13.Nxc4 bxc4?

A positional mistake. As Jim correctly pointed out after the game, 13...dc4 would have allowed him to organize counterplay by advancing his pawn majority. Now he can do little but sit back and await the onslaught.

14.Bc2 f5 15.g4! g6 16.gxf5 exf5 17.Ng2 Bg5 18.Ba3 Ne7 19.h4 Bh6 20.e6!



There are a lot of variations possible here, but the sacrifice is really intuitive. After you have conducted a few thousand cheapo

attacks, you can tell by looking that an open file in this position is ample compensation for the pawn. If he takes it, White pours through; if he refuses it, he strangles.

20...Bc6 21.Qe2 0-0 22.Bc5 Re8 23.Rfb1 Bb5 24.Re1 Qc7 25.Qf3 Rad8 26.Bb4 Qc6 27.h5 Nc8 28.hxg6 hxg6 29.Qg3 Rxe6 30.Bxf5 Rf6 31.Qh4! g5 32.Qg4 Nd6 33.Re6 Rxe6 34.Bxe6+ Kh7 35.Ne3 Ne4 36.Qf5+ Kh8 37.Qg6 1-0

White: NM Gabriel Sanchez (2360)

Black: NM Russell Wada (2360)

Dutch Defense [A80]

1.d4 f5 2.Bg5 Nf6 3.Nc3 c5 4.Bxf6 exf6 5.Nf3 Qa5 6.e3 cxd4 7.Nxd4 Bb4 8.Nde2 0-0 9.a3 Be7 10.Nf4 g6 11.Bc4+ Kg7 12.0-0 Nc6 13.Nfd5 a6 14.e4 b5 15.Bd3 fxe4 16.Bxe4 Qd8 17.Nxe7 Qxe7 18.Re1 Qc5 19.Qd5 Qxd5 20.Bxd5 Ra7 21.Rad1 Rc7 22.f4 h5 23.Ne4 Na5 24.c3 Nc4 25.Bxc4 Rxc4 26.g3 d5 27.Nd6 Rc7 28.Rxd5 Bg4 29.Ne8+ Rxe8 30.Rxe8 Bf3 31.Rdd8 h4 32.Kf2 Bh1 33.Rh8 hxg3+ 34.hxg3 Be4 35.Rdg8+ 1-0

White: NM Paul Cornelius (2328)

Black: NM Russell Wada (2360)

Benoni Defense [A65]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 e6 4.Nc3 exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.e4 g6 7.f3 Bg7 8.Bg5 0-0 9.Qd2 Na6 10.Nge2 Nc7 11.Ng3 Rb8 12.a4 a6 13.Rb1 Bd7 14.b4 cxb4 15.Rxb4 b5 16.axb5 axb5 17.Be2 Na6 18.Rb1 b4 19.Nd1 Bb5 20.0-0 Qa5 21.Bxb5 Qxb5 22.Bh6 Nd7 23.Bxg7 Kxg7 24.Nf2 Nac5 25.Qg5 f6 26.Qd2 b3 27.Ne2 Qb4 28.Rfd1 Qxd2 29.Rxd2 Ne5 30.Nf4 Rfc8 31.Rd4 b2 32.Rdd1 Na4 33.Ne2 Nc4 34.Rd3 Nc5 35.Nf4 Nxd3 36.N2xd3 Na3 0-1

If 37.Rxb2, 37...Rxb2 38.Nxb2 Rc1+ 39.Kf2 Rc2+ winning White's Knight on b2.

White: NM John Pope (2298)

Black: NM Jon Frankle (2332)

Queen's Gambit [D35]

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.c4 e6 4.Nc3 Be7 5.cxd5 exd5 6.Qc2 0-0 7.Bf4 Nc6 8.a3 Na5 9.e3 c6 10.Bd3 Nc4 11.Ne5 Be6 12.0-0 Kh8 13.Rad1 g6 14.Bxc4 dxc4 15.e4 Nd7 16.d5 cxd5 17.Nxd5 Bg5 18.Bxg5 Qxg5 19.Nxd7 Bxd7 20.Qc3+ f6 21.f4 Qh4 22.g3 Qh6 23.Nxf6 Bh3 24.Nd7+ Qg7 25.Qxg7+ Kxg7 26.Nxf8 Bxf1 27.Ne6+ Kf6 28.Nc7 Be2 29.Rd2 1-0

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# Around the State

## BURLINGAME CLUB

Forty-nine players competed in the Late Spring Swiss held from 5/21/92-6/18/92. Divided into two sections, one player from each group managed to persevere and win all of their games. **NM Jim Eade** was the odds-on favorite in Section I, and he did not have any trouble retiring the rest of the field. In the second section **Bruce Jewett** was ranked in the middle of the pack. He should have finished with an even score, but once he won his first game he couldn't stop. Like Eade he finished a full point ahead of the next highest scoring competitor. **Scott Wilson** directed the tournament and sent in the following list of winners. A tie-break system was used to determine the places.

### Section I-1600 and up

1st	NM Jim Eade (2288)	5-0
2nd	Guy Batraski (2000)	4-1
1st Exp.	Frisco Del Rosario (2000)	4-1
1st "A"	Mark Schneider (1918)	3-2
2nd "A"	Greg Phillips (1921)	3-2
3rd "A"	Ralph Forsyth (1827)	3-2
1st "B"	M. Brandenberg (1675)	3.5-1.5
2nd "B"	Charles Clark (1720)	3-2

### Section II-Under 1600

1st	Bruce Jewett (1424)	5-0
2nd	Cecillo Draculan (1588)	4-1
1st "C"	Clarence Beale (1508)	3-2
2nd "C"	Melvin Roberts (1510)	3-2
3rd "C"	Robert Yokota (1559)	3-2
1st "D"	Ernest Mankin (1310)	4-1
1st "E"	Ulysses Griffith (1140)	3-2
1st Unr.	Chris Campbell	2-3

The Action Chess Quads (#17) were held on the evening of 6/25/92. Again, **Scott Wilson** directed this Game/30 tournament. The winners are listed below with their World Rapid Chess ratings.

Group I	Guy Batraski (2002)	2-1
Group II	Ori Pleno (1920)	3-0
Group III	René Liebl (1819)	2.5
Group IV	Monty Swais (1725)	3-0
Group V	Cecillo Draculan (1645)	3-0
Group VI	Susanne Thiel (1511)	3-0
Group VII	Louis McCroskey (1216)	3-0

The Burlingame Club is always busy holding a wide assortment of events. In the next month the club's Action Chess Championship will be held over three weeks, 8/20/92-9/3/92. Players can compete in one, two, or all three of the weeks. Three games will be played per evening. After that the club's Blitz Championship will be held on

9/10/92. All of this chess action culminates in the club's biggest tournament of the year, the Goodwin Open. This is a six-rounder, one game per night, beginning on 9/24/92. It traditionally brings out the largest number of players and offers nice prizes to the winners.

## FRESNO CLUB

Fresno Club continues to enhance its reputation as one of Northern California's most active clubs. Especially popular are the new USCF Quick Chess (G/10 or G/15) tournaments. Tournament Director **Dave Quarve** reports the results from the June 1 Fast Action Tourney #8. **NM Dr. Timothy Roth** (2256) tied for first place with **NM Haryanto Daud** (2209). Roth has finished in first place in every Quick Chess tournament he has played in at the Fresno Club. Daud returned after a two year lapse from tournament play.

## KOLTY CLUB

**Julie and Neil Regan** directed the Summer Knights Tourney held from 6/25/92-7/30/92. In Section I **Fred Leffingwell** (1800) went undefeated to clinch first place. **Julie Regan** (1600) scored an impressive 4-1 in this strong section to come in second place. Tied for third were **Gary Smith** (1921), **William Kalbni** (1800), and **Albert Rackett** (1741) with 3.5-1.5 each. In Section II **Charles Welch** (1371) also went undefeated. In second place was **Gary Stratton** (1546) with 4-1, and **John Vargas** (1196) came in third with 3.5-1.5.

On July 30th a Blitz Tournament was held. **Gabriel Sanchez** (2340) and **Alan Stein** (2157) tied for first place. **Allen Becker** (2146) came in third.

White: Pat Howlett (2056)  
Black: Eugene Lubarsky (2103)  
Koltly Round Robin 6/5/92  
Ruy Lopez Blvd's Defense [C61]

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. Bb5 Nd4 4. Bc4 Nxf3+ 5. Qxf3 Qf6 6. Qg3 Bc5 7. d3 h6 8. 0-0 g5 9. Be3 Bb6 10. Nc3 c6 11. Bxb6 axb6 12. Qe3 b5 13. Bb3 d6 14. Rad1 Ne7 15. Rfe1 Ng6 16. Ne2 h5 17. d4 h4 18. dxe5 dxe5 19. Qc5 Nf4 20. Rd6 Nxe2+ 21. Re2 Qf4 22. Red2 0-0 23. Rg6+ Kh7 24. Qxf8+ Kxg6 25. Qg8+ Kf6

If 25...Kh6 26. Bf7 Qf6 27. Rd6 Qxd6 28. Qh8.  
26. Qxf7 mate 1-0

## MECHANICS INSTITUTE

### WORLD RAPID CHESS

by NM Jim Eade

The San Mateo-Burlingame Chess Club has been one of the most active promoters of World Rapid Chess (G/25-G/45 time controls) in all of the United States. Recently, the club has joined with other sites and helped sponsor the Friendship series of rapid chess tournaments. Friendship 2 was held at the Mechanics Institute Chess Room on June 14th and was co-sponsored by the *Golden Gate Chess News*.

The tournament was a five-round swiss system held under FIDE rapid chess rules at the game in 30 minutes time control. Play was underway shortly after 11:30 am and was wrapped up before 7 pm. Many players remarked that, at this point in their lives, this was the only kind of tournament they could play in, since the tournament didn't kill their whole weekend. It only took one day and, even then, they could have breakfast and dinner with their families.

The time controls made for more fun for the spectators and for more heart stopping action for the participants!

Here is the list of prize winners:

Name	Start	End	Score
1st			
Dionisio Quebec	Unr	2478	4.5
2nd			
O. Shakhnazarov	2205	2412	4
1st Ex			
Dean Howard	2141	2171	3.5
1st A			
James Seals	1965	2031	2.5
1st U1800			
Marlo Rombaua	Unr	2134	3
2nd			
Rocky Bautista	Unr	1957	2.5

Here is a fine victory by the eventual tournament winner:

White: Felix Kwiatkowski (2286)  
Black: Dionisio Quebec (2478)  
Center-Counter[B01]

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Qxd5 3.d4 Bf5 4.Nc3 Qa5 5.Bc4 e6 6.Nf3 c6 7.Bd2 Qd8 8.Qe2 Be7 9.0-0-0 Nf6 10.Ne5 b5 11.Bd3 Bxd3 12.Qxd3 0-0 13.g4 b4 14.Ne4 Nxe4 15.Qxe4 Qd5 16.Qxd5 cxd5 17.Rhe1 a5 18.f4 Bd6 19.Re2 Rc8 20.Kb1 Nc6 21.Be3 Bxe5 22.fxe5 Na7 23.Rf1 Nb5 24.Ref2 Rc7 25.h4 a4 26.Rf4 Rb8 27.Kc1 a3

28.Kb1 axb2+ 29.Kxb2 Na3 30.Bc1 Rc2+ 31.Kb3 Rc3+ 32.Kb2 Rb7 33.R1f3 Rc2+ 34.Kb3 Rc1 35.Rf2 Rc3 36.Kb2 Nc4 37.Kb1 b3 38.axb3 Rbxb3 39.Ka2 Ra3+ 40.Kb1 Rcb3 41.Kc1 Ra1+ 42.Kc2 Rb2 mate 1-0

#### VISALIA CLUB

Lewis Martinez directed his first tournament, the Visalia Endeavor, held from 5/27/92-6/17/92. David Gay (1196) won the event over a field that included one Expert, one 'A' player and three 'B' players. His 3.5-0.5 score earned him 149 rating points!

On 7/08/92 Karl Bohlmann directed the "Daryl Shelton Appreciation" Rapid Chess Tournament. Divided into three quads, Joseph Bakhoum (2107), Ward Forman (1404), and Louis Spate (1219) were the winners of their respective quads. They each won all of their games.

The Visalia Club offers rated game on most Wednesday nights. For mor information about the club and their events call the Club President Allan Fifield at 209-734-2784 for more details and directions to the playing site.

Below are a few more games from the HFTS South Bay Sectionals held in July in Santa Clara:

**White:** Nikunj Oza (1579)  
**Black:** Harish Bhat (1617)  
**Benoni Defense [A65]**

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 c5 4.d5 ed5 5.cd5 d6 6.e4 g6 7.Bd3 Bg7 8.Nge2 Nbd7 9.0-0 Ne5 10.Bb5 Bd7 11.Bd7 Ned7 12.f4 Qe7 13.Ng3 0-0 14.Rb1 Ne8 15.f5 Qh4 16.Rb1 Be5 17.Qf3 Bd4 18.Be3 Ne5 19.Qe2 Ng4 20.Nf1 Be3 21.Ne3 Qh2 22.Kf1 Qh1 0-1

**White:** Albert Rich (2112)  
**Black:** Dusan Tutush (2141)  
**Closed Sicilian [B24]**

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7 5.d3 e6 6.Nh3 Nd4 7.0-0 Ne7 8.f4 0-0 9.Kh1 d5 10.e5 Nef5 11.Ne2 Bd7 12.Neg1 Qb6 13.c3 Nc6 14.Rb1 a5 15.Nf3 f6 16.Qe2 fe5 17.fe5 d4 18.c4 Qc7 19.Re1 h6 20.g4 Nfe7 21.g5 h5 22.Nf4 Kh7 23.Nh4 Ne5 24.Nhg6 N5g6 25.Qh5 Kg8 26.Ng6 Ng6 27.Qg6 Rf2 28.Rf1 Rf8 29.Bd2 Rf1 30.Rf1 Rf1 31.Bf1 Qe5 32.Kg1 b6 33.Qe4 Qe4 34.de4

Bc6 35.Bd3 Kf7 36.Bf4 e5 37.Bd2 Kg6 38.Kg2 Bf8 39.Kf3 Kh5 40.Kg3 Kg6 41.h4 Be7 42.Be1 Bd8 43.Kg4 Bd7 44.Kf3 Kh5 45.Bg3 Bg4 46.Kf2 Bc7 47.Be2 Be2 48.Ke2 a4 49.Kf3 b5 50.cb5 c4 51.Ke2 d3 52.Kd1 Kg6 53.a3 Kh5 54.Bf2 Bb8 55.Bc5 Kg6 56.b6 Kh5 57.Bb4 Kg6 58.Kd2 1-0

**White:** Joseph De Leon (1992)  
**Black:** Paul Liebhaber (2003)  
**Leningrad Dutch [A87]**

1.d4 g6 2.Nf3 Bg7 3.c4 f5 4.g3 Nf6 5.Bg2 0-0 6.Nc3 d6 7.0-0 Qe8 8.Qc2 Na6 9.a3 e5 10.de5 de5 11.e4 Nc5 12.Nd2 f4? 13.Nd5 Ne6 14.Nf3 c6 15.Nf6 Rf6 16.c5 g5 17.Bh3 Qh5 18.Bg2 Rh6 19.Rd1 Nd4 20.Qd3 Bg4 21.Nd4 Qh2 22.Kf1 ed4 23.gf4 Bd1 24.fg5 Rh4 25.Qd1 Rd8 26.Qd3 Rg4 27.Qf3 Qh5 28.Qb3 Kh8 29.Qh3 Qh3 30.Bh3 Re4 31.Bf5 Re5 32.Bd3 Rc5 33.Bd2 Re5 34.Kg2 Bf8 35.Rh1 Rd7 36.g6 h5 37.f4 Bh6 38.fe5 Bd2 39.Rh5 Kg8 40.Bc4 Rd5 41.Bd5 cd5 42.Rh7 d3 43.e6 Bg5 44.Kf1 Kf8 45.Rb7 Bf6 46.Ke1 1-0

*The San Mateo/Burlingame Chess Club presents*

# 4th Goodwin Open

## Begins September 17th

September 17-  
October 22, 1992

6 Round Swiss, one game per night (Time control: 45/2; 30/1)  
\$10 entry, Club membership req'd (\$20 first time)  
Prizes to top winners of each section.  
USCF membership required  
Registration: Thursday, 9/17/92 6:30-7:15 pm,  
Round 1 begins at 8:00 pm, subsequent rounds begin at 7:30 pm

Directions:

*From San Francisco*, take Hwy 101 south to Broadway exit (Burlingame), go past 1 stoplight, turn left on Carolan, go 1 mile, see tennis courts on left, turn left at Burlingame Ave, 1/2 block to parking lot and Lions Club on left.

*From San Jose*, take Hwy 101 north to Peninsula Ave exit (Burlingame), go 1/2 mile, (taking freeway overpass), go past 2 stoplights, turn right at Anita Road, (Putnam Buick is at corner), go 3 blocks to Burlingame Avenue, turn left, go 1/2 block to Lions Club/parking lot on right.

Burlingame Chess Club is located in The Lions Club at 990 Burlingame Avenue,  
The club meets at 7:00 every Thursday evening. All tournaments start at 7:30pm.  
For more information regarding activities, or membership contact Scott Wilson at 415-355-9402.

# LERA Memorial Day Crosstables

From time to time, we get requests to print crosstables of Northern California tournaments. Although the *CCJ* has never run a crosstable, they were a mainstay of some of our predecessor publications, such as *The California Chess Reporter*. Many readers of these fine publications fondly remember time spent poring over the details of who played whom, and who lost to whom. In response to those requests, we have decided to run this crosstable from LERA Memorial Day Tournament held May 23-25. If you think this is a good use of our space, please let us know. And those who prefer the space were used for other things, such as more game scores, we would like to hear from you, too.

## OPEN SECTION

MEM ID	PLR#	NAME	ST	PrRate	PstRate	1	2	3	4	5	6	TOTAL
11401686	1	IZUMIKAWA, BURT T	CA	2461*s4	2471*s4	W--5	W--14	W--7	W--12	D--2	D--3	5.0
11461891	2	LOBO, RICHARD	CA	2410*s5	2411*s5	D--20	W--23	W--15	D--3	D--1	W--8	4.5
10492269	3	KOEPCKE, RICHARD	CA	2352*m0	2375*m5	W--17	W--9	D--12	D--2	W--10	D--1	4.5
11438648	4	FRENKEL, FILIPP	CA	2342*m7	2338*m7	D--15	W--16	L--10	D--6	W--19	W--9	4.0
12137150	5	FUENTES, ROMULO C	CA	2182*x7	2208*x4	L--1	W--13	W--19	D--7	W--11	D--6	4.0
11057511	6	ZERNITSKY, DNITRY	CA	2511/05	2381/11	L--11	D--8	W--23	D--4	W--12	D--5	3.5
11056521	7	BUSQUETS, LUIS	CA	2215*m0	2217*m0	W--13	W--11	L--1	D--5	L--8	W--17	3.5
10471153	8	ANDERSON, MICHAEL	CA	2110*x0	2147*x5	H--	D--6	W--14	D--10	W--7	L--2	3.5
10482824	9	ARNE, MIKE	CA	2281*m5	2250*m5	B--	L--3	W--18	L--11	X--	L--4	3.0
12425764	10	HERNANDEZ, RODOLF	CA	2200*m0	2200*m0	H--	H--	W--4	D--8	L--3	D--18	3.0
12499885	11	STEIN, ALAN R.	CA	2188*x7	2198*x7	W--6	L--7	W--21	W--9	L--5	U--	3.0
10298156	12	HART, CLIFFORD G	CA	2303*m5	2293*m5	W--18	W--21	D--3	L--1	L--6	U--	2.5
10468272	13	TAYLOR, ROBERT V	CA	2036*A0	2010*A0	L--7	L--5	L--17	B--	D--18	W--19	2.5
12419804	14	GALLEGOS, PAUL A	CA	2200*m5	2200*m5	W--19	L--1	L--8	W--18	U--	U--	2.0
10014352	15	KAUGARS, AGNIS	CA	2160*x4	2171*x4	D--4	W--20	L--2	D--16	U--	U--	2.0
12551741	16	ROBLES, H C	CA	2132*x9	2138*x9	H--	L--4	W--20	D--15	F--	U--	2.0
10987792	17	DEL ROSARIO, FRIS	CA	2000*x2	2000*x2	L--3	L--18	W--13	L--19	W--20	L--7	2.0
10501768	18	OVERTON, OWEN R	CA	1998*A2	2005*A2	L--12	W--17	L--9	W--14	D--13	D--10	2.0
10501385	19	GALLAGHER, FRANCI	CA	1924*A4	1917*A4	L--14	B--	L--5	W--17	L--4	L--13	2.0
11025625	20	RUGGIERO, PAMELA	CA	2113*x5	2088*x5	D--2	L--15	L--16	W--23	L--17	U--	1.5
11382479	21	POWELL, ROBERT L	CA	1459*D0	1458*D0	B--	L--12	L--11	U--	U--	U--	1.0
10496730	22	DORSCH, THOMAS G	CA	2216*m6	2209*m6	D--23	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	0.5
10484499	23	JONES, MICHAEL DO	CA	1971*A2	1965*A2	D--22	L--2	L--6	L--20	U--	U--	0.5

## EXPERT SECTION

MEM ID	PLR#	NAME	ST	PrRate	PstRate	1	2	3	4	5	6	TOTAL
10482569	1	JANNIRO, MIKE E	CA	2174*x5	2201*x7	D--19	W--2	W--22	W--13	W--7	D--3	5.0
11401529	2	GAGNON, MARK	CA	2168*x6	2194*x8	W--14	L--1	W--12	W--9	W--8	W--7	5.0
10422612	3	BARNETT, DAVID K	CA	2155*x0	2183*x5	W--4	W--6	W--8	D--7	W--5	D--1	5.0
12557210	4	ZAFATA, RODOLFO B	CA	2027*x4	2058*x4	L--3	W--23	L--5	W--12	W--10	W--11	4.0
12440572	5	OCHOA, JASON	CA	2112*A5	2111*A7	L--13	W--14	W--4	W--10	L--3	D--8	3.5
12101260	6	SCHABACKER, GLEN	CA	2059*x0	2081*x0	W--12	L--3	L--9	D--14	W--15	W--13	3.5
10492173	7	SIMPSON, JOHN C	CA	2012*A9	2048*x4	W--24	W--18	W--15	D--3	L--1	L--2	3.5
11390625	8	WITSGITT, CAROLYN	CA	1941*B6	1985*A5	W--23	W--17	L--3	W--15	L--2	D--5	3.5
12570429	9	ANG, JOHN D	CA	0	2145/06	L--10	W--20	W--6	L--2	D--13	W--16	3.5
10497272	10	LEHMAN, CLARENCE	CA	2101*x4	2100*x4	W--9	L--15	W--17	L--5	L--4	W--20	3.0
10134111	11	WAIDE, JAMES C	CA	2077*x0	2069*x0	L--18	L--22	W--16	W--20	W--19	L--4	3.0
10468892	12	REGAN, NEIL D	CA	2000*A0	2000*A0	L--6	W--21	L--2	L--4	W--23	W--19	3.0
12107030	13	ELRUD, DENNIS C	CA	1988*A0	2012*A2	W--5	H--	W--19	L--1	D--9	L--6	3.0
10492521	14	SEALS, JAMES C	CA	2049*x4	2031*x4	L--2	L--5	W--21	D--6	L--16	W--23	2.5
10475422	15	LEE, GENE F	CA	2171*x0	2137*x0	W--21	W--10	L--7	L--8	L--6	U--	2.0
12034700	16	FRENKEL, VERA	CA	2146*M5	2106*M5	D--22	L--19	L--11	D--21	W--14	L--9	2.0
12447401	17	JESTADT, JESSE	CA	2128*x7	2114*x7	W--20	L--8	L--10	W--22	U--	U--	2.0
12330030	18	ZIEGLER, KEVIN P	CA	2033*A7	2033*A7	W--11	L--7	H--	D--19	U--	U--	2.0
12548457	19	MARTINS, GUSTAVO	CA	2028*x0	2006*x0	D--1	W--16	L--13	D--18	L--11	L--12	2.0
12544776	20	BRAUER, SAMUEL	CA	2008*A0	1982*A0	L--17	L--9	W--23	L--11	W--21	L--10	2.0
12426595	21	JIMENEZ, EDMUND	CA	2050*A0	2000*A0	L--15	L--12	L--14	D--16	L--20	B--	1.5
10136016	22	CASTALDO, ARCANGE	CA	2023*A0	2025*A0	D--16	W--11	L--1	L--17	U--	U--	1.5
12470684	23	WILLIAMS, WALTER	CA	1523*C5	1513*C5	L--8	L--4	L--20	B--	L--12	L--14	1.0
12452961	24	MC ABE, BRIAN G	CA	1864*B2	1854*B2	L--7	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	0.0

## 'A' SECTION

MEM ID	PLR#	NAME	ST	PrRate	PstRate	1	2	3	4	5	6	TOTAL
12430139	1	FUENTES, VIRGILIO	CA	1919*A2	1997*x5	W--16	W--13	D--3	W--20	W--2	W--5	5.5
12396341	2	BETANCO, DAVID F	CA	1925*A7	1973*A7	W--28	W--7	W--19	W--3	L--1	W--9	5.0
10384591	3	FORD, CLIFTON P	CA	1965*A0	2001*A4	W--14	W--24	D--1	L--2	W--6	W--7	4.5
12450513	4	KHAMKAR, SHARAD S	CA	1913*A0	1936*A2	D--10	D--12	W--27	W--21	L--8	W--9	4.0
10493668	5	ARNST, LUDWIG J	CA	1907*A2	1930*A2	D--12	W--10	D--21	W--17	W--13	L--1	4.0
12566946	6	GONSALVES, MICHAEL	CA	2012*A5	1994*A5	W--18	L--19	D--7	W--12	L--3	W--15	3.5
12505247	7	MANGROBANG, MANUE	CA	1917*A6	1933*A6	W--11	L--2	D--6	W--24	W--19	L--3	3.5
12059400	8	ALEXANDER, PETER	CA	1858*A0	1881*A0	W--22	D--21	L--9	W--16	W--4	L--2	3.5
10478065	9	NITZBERG, JACK	CA	1963*A2	1937*A2	L--17	W--22	W--8	L--13	W--11	L--4	3.0
12513410	10	JOHNS, WILLIAM S	CA	1915*A7	1905*A7	D--4	L--5	D--12	W--26	L--15	W--22	3.0
12377740	11	MERRICK, JEFFREY	CA	1885*A0	1871*A0	L--7	W--28	W--18	D--19	L--9	D--14	3.0
10474787	12	REMUS, HORST	CA	1854*A0	1864*A0	D--5	D--4	D--10	L--6	D--22	W--18	3.0
12524600	13	KAIENI, WILLIAM	CA	1837*A5	1861*A5	W--25	L--1	W--14	W--9	L--5	U--	3.0
12479996	14	VACCAREZZA, ROBER	CA	1802*B0	1812*B0	L--3	W--15	L--13	D--22	W--28	D--11	3.0
11150454	15	LAGIER, TERI	CA	1885*B8	1863*B8	L--20	L--14	D--25	W--28	W--10	L--6	2.5
10487897	16	STEWART, JAMES W	CA	1874*B0	1873*B0	L--1	W--23	D--24	L--8	W--26	U--	2.5
10481805	17	EDELSTEIN, HAROLD	CA	1862*B2	1871*B2	W--9	H--	D--20	L--5	D--18	U--	2.5
12541152	18	ESCANO, EMMANUEL	CA	1809/06	1813/12	L--6	W--26	L--11	W--27	D--17	L--12	2.5
12437489	19	CHAMBERS, GILBERT	CA	1808*B2	1832*B4	W--26	W--6	L--2	D--11	L--7	U--	2.5
12470368	20	CHRISTOPHER, ROBE	CA	1977*A9	1966*A9	W--15	H--	D--17	L--1	U--	U--	2.0
12438739	21	UREN, JIM	CA	1864*B0	1863*B0	W--23	D--8	D--5	L--4	U--	U--	2.0
10498864	22	LEFFINGWELL, FRED	CA	1805*B2	1800*B2	L--8	L--9	W--23	D--14	D--12	L--10	2.0
12548452	23	FRENKLAH, JENNIE	CA	1748*B7	1719*B7	L--21	L--16	L--22	L--25	B--	W--26	2.0
10492491	24	PENoyer, FLYN L	CA	1944*A0	1919*A0	W--27	L--3	D--16	L--7	U--	U--	1.5
10531748	25	CHESTNUT, RONALD	CA	1768*B2	1760*B2	L--13	L--27	D--15	W--23	U--	U--	1.5
12415808	26	AYRES, TIMOTHY N	CA	1880*B0	1800*B0	L--19	L--18	W--28	L--10	L--16	L--23	1.0
11237711	27	NIKOLIC, IVAN	CA	1800*B0	1800*B0	L--24	W--25	L--4	L--18	U--	U--	1.0



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11400957	2	LESQUILLIER, WALT	CA	1721*C0	1753*b5	D--18	L--4	W--16	W--6	W--6	W--5	4.5
12489988	3	GROSS, MATTHEW R	CA	1634*B5	1693*B7	L--20	W--22	W--11	W--13	W--10	D--1	4.5
20005210	4	SHILOH, ROBERT M	CA	1518*D7	1615*b5	D--5	W--2	W--12	W--7	L--1	W--10	4.5
10484197	5	PELLERIN, ROBERT	CA	1675*b0	1705*b2	D--4	W--12	W--14	D--1	W--7	L--2	4.0
12540667	6	MONT-REYNAUD, JOR	CA	1727*b7	1705*b7	B---	W--17	L--7	L--2	W--14	D--9	3.5
12499879	7	BUNDE, DAVID	CA	1718*b7	1718*b7	W--12	D--18	W--6	L--4	L--5	W--11	3.5
12474843	8	CHAFANER, RANJIT	CA	1659*C4	1685*C6	L--10	H---	W--21	W--19	L--2	W--14	3.5
10474116	9	HANSEN, ALFRED	CA	1600*C0	1631*C2	D--16	D--15	W--19	L--10	W--17	D--6	3.5
12416118	10	NEWTON, MAURICE	CA	1807*b5	1769*b5	W--8	W--20	L--1	W--9	L--3	L--4	3.0
12417524	11	MEADOWS, JOHN W	CA	1671*C7	1662*C7	H---	L--5	L--4	W--16	W--19	W--17	3.0
10491304	12	SIERRA, FRANCISCO	CA	1600*C0	1603*C0	L--7	L--5	L--4	W--16	W--19	W--17	3.0
12551720	13	BHAT, VINAY S	CA	1478*c7	1504*c9	B---	L--1	W--20	L--3	L--11	W--19	3.0
10485584	14	SIMFSON, FERRIS A	CA	1600*C0	1600*C0	H---	W--16	L--5	W--17	L--6	L--8	2.5
11214703	15	FLAMMER, CHRIS C	CA	1669*C0	1657*C0	D--21	D--9	D--17	U---	U---	U---	1.5
12518075	16	MC CULLOUGH, RICH	CA	1635*C2	1600*C2	D--9	L--14	L--2	L--12	B---	U---	1.5
12517728	17	RICH, FRED W	CA	1419*c0	1425*c0	W--19	L--6	D--15	L--14	L--9	L--12	1.5
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12461694	20	MC ENRDE, GLENN A	CA	1634*C4	1604*C4	W--3	L--10	L--13	L--11	U---	U---	1.0
12416759	21	RICHWOOD, JAY W	CA	1695*C5	1662*C5	D--15	L--19	L--8	U---	U---	U---	0.5
10483425	22	JACKSON, PATRICK	CA	1652*B5	1628*B5	L--1	L--3	U---	U---	U---	U---	0.0

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20005119	3	KNECHT, RUSSELL R	CA	1472*D7	1528*c7	W--2	L--1	D--7	W--19	W--16	W--13	4.5
12558419	4	FILLIUS, CHRISTOP	CA	1401*d7	1454*d7	W--10	W--22	D--1	W--20	L--5	W--7	4.5
20005122	5	GREENE, KEN J	CA	1414*D0	1443*D2	W--25	W--23	D--13	D--15	W--4	L--2	4.0
12558921	6	KAO, LORA	CA	1325*d6	1370*d2	L--21	B---	W--10	W--18	W--13	L--1	4.0
12359190	7	BATTEY, CURTIS M	CA	1496*D0	1508*D2	L--13	W--24	D--3	W--22	W--11	L--4	3.5
20029125	8	SIMLER, KEVIN	CA	1487*D6	1503*D8	D--11	L--17	L--16	W--24	W--23	W--19	3.5
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12555380	10	PARRISH, LARRY W	WA	1469*D7	1465*D9	L--4	W--14	L--6	W--21	D--18	W--15	3.5
12497585	11	OZA, NIKUNJ CHAND	MA	1579*c0	1550*c0	D--8	L--18	W--23	D--12	L--7	W--21	3.0
12562092	12	IANNACCONE, ANDRE	CA	1441*D2	1428*D2	W--24	D--20	L--15	D--11	L--14	W--18	3.0
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12565658	21	IMADA, TODD	CA	1481*	1442*D2	W--6	L--13	L--2	L--10	W--25	L--11	2.0
10477832	22	GULLMES, AKE	CA	1511*c2	1500*c2	W--14	L--4	D--19	L--7	L--9	U---	1.5
10981166	23	GOLDSWORTHY, THOM	CA	1470*D0	1400*D0	W--19	L--5	L--11	L--14	L--8	L--17	1.0
10483077	24	TROTTIER, LEONARD	CA	1529*c2	1500*c2	L--12	L--7	D--9	L--8	U---	U---	0.5
10549571	25	PATRICK, MARK EDW	CA	1299/13	1223/18	L--5	L--19	L--14	L--9	L--21	H---	0.5

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12575758	3	NEWTON, DAVID	CA	1382/05	1423/11	L--5	W--11	W--4	W--15	W--14	D--1	4.5
12546696	4	BROWN, DAVID JOSI	CA	1410*b5	1400*b5	W--20	L--8	L--3	W--7	W--15	W--12	4.0
20029191	5	SHIRO, URI	CA	1332*D2	1383*D4	W--3	W--7	L--2	L--1	W--10	W--6	4.0
12564408	6	LUU, DUC N	CA	1517*	1487*D2	W--11	D--14	W--8	W--2	L--1	L--5	3.5
12566015	7	ONG, DIANA	CA	1275/11	1271/17	D--18	L--5	W--19	L--4	W--17	W--13	3.5
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12531203	10	FISHER-KIRSH, TOV	CA	1332*d4	1310*d4	W--9	L--2	L--15	W--11	L--5	W--18	3.0
12561014	11	FRANKASH, NIKHIL	CA	1101*E2	1138*E4	L--6	L--3	W--9	L--10	W--16	W--15	3.0
12566371	12	TEPPERMAN, DAVID	CA	0	1263/06	L--1	W--17	W--16	W--13	L--2	L--4	3.0
12562250	13	RHODES, CLIFTON	CA	1384/12	1309/18	W--16	D--1	W--14	L--12	L--6	L--7	2.5
12555329	14	MONT-REYNAUD, BER	CA	1216*	1209*E2	W--17	D--6	L--13	W--18	L--3	L--9	2.5
12550128	15	CROFT, STEPHEN	CA	1126/05	1117/11	L--8	W--20	W--10	L--3	L--4	L--11	2.0
12575573	16	KHAMKAR, SUSHEEL	CA	0	1019/06	L--13	L--9	L--12	W--19	L--11	W--20	2.0
12571077	17	CAMPBELL, CHRIS J	CA	1088/03	962/06	L--14	L--12	B---	H---	L--7	U---	1.5
12576356	18	FENG, MICHAEL A	CA	0	1062/06	D--7	W--19	L--1	L--14	L--9	L--10	1.5
12556451	19	MOTSCHENBACH, ARL	CA	1102*E2	1062*E2	L--2	L--18	L--7	L--16	W--20	U---	1.0
12553690	20	MONT-REYNAUD, MAR	CA	923*E2	892*E2	L--4	L--15	U---	U---	L--19	L--16	0.0

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# FIDE Challenge

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White: Patrick Davin (2255)

Black: Tom Dorsch (2277)

King's Indian [E70]

Annotated by Tom Dorsch

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 0-0

This deviation from the standard 4...d6 has its advantages and disadvantages. The central question is, "Can White secure an advantage by 5.e5?" But Black's play against the advanced pawns appears to be at least as powerful as White's center, and the ECO lines end OK for Black. If White plays something like 5.f3 (aiming for the popular Saemisch formation), the value of e5 is cheapened further by the necessity to lose a tempo to support it with f4. Another advantage is that these lines are less explored than the familiar 4...d6 variations, often leading at an early stage to novel positions.

5.f3?! c6 6.d5

Otherwise, Black plays ...d5—another advantage of not having invested a tempo in ...d6.

6...a6 7.a4 cxd5 8.cxd5 d6

I decided not to immediately assault the center with 8...e6, because I couldn't figure out what would happen or who was better after 9.d6. It's the kind of position that should be analyzed at home, *before* it faces you over the board. Of course, if either player was familiar with the position, he would have a huge practical advantage.

9.Be3?

For the next few moves the theatre of operations is the center and the e-file, so any downstream hopes of exploiting weak dark squares on the queenside should be deferred. Instead of exerting pressure on Black's position, this Bishop lands in the center of the bullseye. Better was 9.Bg5.

9...e6! 10.dxe6 Bxe6

We're only on move 10, but Black already has a lead in development, which may convert to a tangible advantage after the inevitable ...d5.

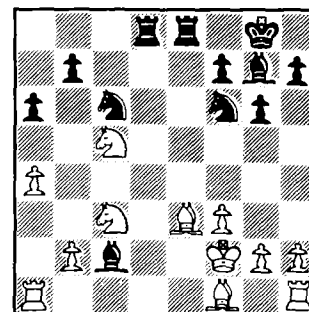
11.Nge2 d5 12.exd5 Bxd5! 13.Kf2

White hoped this maneuver would achieve dual objectives, to develop of his King and to avoid the concession that his Bishop has to move again. But in the end the King is more stymied than Steinitzian, as he succumbs to a mugging.

13...Re8!4.Qd2 Nc6 15.Nf4 Bb3!

The exchange of Queens does not significantly improve White's position, because the Black minor pieces are sufficiently active to mount a mating attack without queens on the board. White's plan of attacking Black's queenside can be ignored because of Black's ferocious counterplay.

16.Qd8 Raxd8 17.Nd3 Bc2 18.Nc5



18...Ne5! 19.Bf4 Rd4 20.Rc1 Neg4 21.fxg4 Rf4 22.Kg3 Rg4 23.Kf3 Bh6!

Black's final minor piece enters the game with decisive effect. Either White sustains major material losses or...

24.Rc2 Rf4 25.Kg3 Re3 0-1

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### MARYSVILLE

Yuba-Sutter CC  
Butte Christian Manor, 223 F St.  
Tom Giertych (916) 671-1715

### MERCED

Central California CC  
Fridays 7:00 pm  
Scout Hut-Applegate Park  
Near 26 & 'N'  
Dave Humpal (209) 722-0764

### MODESTO

Thursdays 7:00 pm  
Round Table Pizza  
2908 E. Whitmore; Ceres  
Robert Raingruber (209) 527-4425

### MONTEREY

Chess Center-daily except Mon.  
430 Alvarado St.  
Ted Yudacufski (408) 372-9790

### NAPA VALLEY

Thursday 3:30 pm  
Vets Home, Yountville  
Burl Bailey (707) 253-0648

### OAKLAND

### THURSDAYS 6:30 pm

526-21st St.  
(510) 832-1052

### OROVILLE

YMCA Chess Club  
Bill Boyet (916) 533-8432

### PALO ALTO

Tuesdays 6:30 pm  
Mitchell Park Center  
3800 Middlefield Rd.  
Richard Koepcke (415) 964-2640

### RENO

Sundays & Wednesdays 6:30 pm  
150 N Center Street, Room 210  
Jerome Weikel (702) 677-2603

### RICHMOND

Fridays 6 pm  
Richmond Library  
27th & MacDonald  
John Easterling (510) 529-0910

### ROSEVILLE

Mondays 6-10 pm (3-D Chess too)  
1050 Melody Lane #6  
Allan Goff (916) 723-8073

### SACRAMENTO

Wednesdays 7-11 pm  
Senior Citizens Center  
915-27th St.  
Stewart Katz (916) 444-3133

### SAN ANSELMO

Tuesdays 7:00 pm  
Round Table Pizza  
Red Hill Shopping Center  
Sir Francis Drake Blvd.  
Bill Hard (415) 332-0211

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57 Post St., 4th Floor  
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Machado Park Bldg.  
3360 Cabrillo Avenue  
Francisco Sierra (408) 241-1447

### SANTA ROSA

Fridays 7-12 pm  
Santa Rosa College  
1279 Barnett Hall  
Peter Proehl (707) 539-6466

### STOCKTON

Fridays 7-10 pm  
St. Andrew's Lutheran Church  
4910 Claremont  
Ron Houssaye (209) 339-8641

### SUNNYVALE

LERA CC  
Tuesdays 8 pm  
Lockheed Rec Center  
Ken Stone (408) 742-3126

### VALLEJO

Fridays 7:30 pm  
Senior Citizens Center.  
333 Amador St.  
G. Rasmussen (707) 642-7270

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Wednesdays 7-10 pm  
Whitendale Community Center  
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Allan Fifield (209) 734-2784

### WALNUT CREEK

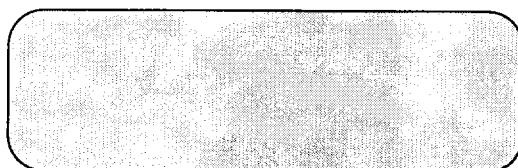
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17 Th Goodwin Open (six weeks) SW

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