

Richard Shorman

Chess

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

With **Rebecca Oliver** assisting, **Alan Benson** directed a five-round, USCF-rated Swiss system tournament at Chabot College in Hayward, Nov. 17-18. Complete results:

Open Division

1st-2nd, Robert Hammie, Berkeley, and Murray Turnbull, Berkeley, 4½-½ \$122.50 each; **3rd-5th**, Steve Cross, Berkeley, James McCormick, Berkeley, and Ted Syrett, Menlo Park, 4-1, \$40 each.

Class A

1st-5th, Paul Enright, Berkeley, Kenneth Wong, Berkeley, Everett McNally, Hayward, Hiawatha Bradley, Hayward, and Clifford Kull, Los Altos, 3½-1½ \$12 each.

Class B

1st, Steven Joplin, Hayward, 4-1, \$40; **2nd-5th**, Hans Poschmann, Fremont, Paul Whitehead, San Francisco, Frank Hamaker, Palo Alto, James Buff, San Francisco, and Hilbert Gardella, Redwood City, 3½-1½ \$4 each.

Class C

1st-2nd, George Medina, Burlingame, and Paul Friedrich, Castro Valley, 3½-1½ \$30 each.

Class D-E

1st, Greg Payne, San Mateo, 2½-2½ \$40; **2nd-5th**, Todd Phillips, Alameda, Gary Smith, San Leandro, and Donald Sink, Oakland, 2-3, \$6.66 each.

Unrated Division

1st-3rd, Lynn Austin, Berkeley, George Vaughan, Berkeley, and James Banta, Hayward, 2-3, \$15 each.

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White: Robert Hammie (2050). **Black:** Paul Whitehead (1718). Hayward, Nov. 17, 1973. Sicilian Defense 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 g6 6 Be3 Bg7 7 f3 Nc6 8 Qd2 0-0 9 Bc4 Bd7 10 h4 Rc8 11 Bb3 Ne5 12 h5 Nh5 13 g4 Rc4 14 gh Rd4 15 Qg2 Rc4 16 hg hg 17 0-0-0 Rc3 18 bc Qa5 19 Qh2 Rc8 20 Qh7 Kf8 21 Bh6 Qa3 22 Kb1 Resigns.

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White: Jay Whitehead (1683). **Black:** Kenneth Wong (1855). Hayward, Nov. 18, 1973. Ruy Lopez 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4 Bc6 dc 5 0-0 Bg4 6 h3 h5 7 d3 Bf3 8 Qf3 Qd7 9 Be3 0-0-0 10 Nd2 f6 11 Nc4 Bd6 12 Rfb1 g5 13 b4 Rf8 14 Nd6 cd 15 Bg5 Ne7 16 Bh4 Ng6 17 Bg3 f5 18 Kh1 f4 19 Bh2 Nh4 20 Qd1 Ng2 21 Kg2 f3 22 Kh1 Rhg8 23 Qf1 Rg2 24 Qg2 fg 25 Kg2 Rg8 26 Bg3 h4 27 Rh1 Qg7 28 Resigns.

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White: David Brooks (1783). **Black:** Stephen McKinney (Unrated). Hayward, Nov. 18, 1973. Sicilian Defense 1 e4 c5 2 Nf6 Nc6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 e5 5 Nb5 a6 6 Nd6 Bd6 7 Qd6 Qf6 8 Qc7 Nge7 9 Bd3 d6 10 0-0 0-0 11 f4 Ng6 12 fe Qe5 13 Nc3 Nb4 14 Be3 Nd3 15 cd b5 16 Rf2 Qe7 17 Qb6 Bb7 18 Rc1 Rac8 19 Rfc2 Qc7 20 Qa7 Qb8 21 Qd4 Rfe8 22 Nd5 Rc2 23 Rc2 Rc8 24 Bh6 f6 25 Nf6 Resigns.

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White: Paul Markowitz (1719). **Black:** Kevin Simpson (1411). Hayward, Nov. 17, 1973. Ruy Lopez 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4 Ba4 Nf6 5 d4 b5 6 Bb3 ed 7 Ng5 d5 8 ed Na5 9 d6 Nb3 10 Qe2 Be6 11 Ne6 Resigns.

GRECO REVISITED

One of the oldest opening traps in existence dates back to 1619, when Gioachimo Greco ("The Calabrese") recorded this pretty queen sacrifice for posterity: 1 P-K4 P-QN3 2 P-Q4 B-N2 3 B-Q3 P-KB4 4 PxP BxP 5 Q-R5ch P-N3 6 PxP N-KB3 7 PxPch! NxQ 8 B-N6mate!

Apparently, no one bothered to question the validity of Greco's analysis for more than 300 years.

White: Gendlek.

Black: Radchenko.

Soviet Team Tournament, 1970.

Queen's Fianchetto Defense

1 P-K4	P-QN3	13 BxR	QxB
2 P-Q4	B-N2	14 N-Q2	B-Q4!(g)
3 B-Q3	P-KB4	15 0-0-0	N-B3!(h)
4 PxP	BxP!(a)	16 N(1)-B3	R-KB1(i)
5 Q-R5ch	P-N3	17 N-R4(j)	B-K3!
6 PxP	B-KN2!!(b)	18 Q-N3	R-B5
7 PxPch	K-B1	19 N(4)-B3	B-N5
8 PxN(Q)ch	KxQ	20 B-K2	BxN
9 Q-N4	BxR(c)	21 BxB	NxP
10 P-KR4(d)	Q-KB1(e)	22 K-N1	NxB
11 P-R5	Q-B3	23 Resigns(k)	
12 P-R6	RxP(f)		

(Notes based on comments by David Levy in "Chess", Dec. 1970, pp. 114-15)

(a) Of course, 4...N-KB3 avoids White's check on the next move, but it leaves him technically lost after 5 N-KB3 (or even 5 P-KB3 and 6 P-KN4).

(b) A fantastic idea! Black allows White to queen his pawn with check, prevent castling and expose the king.

(c) Suddenly, Black is actually material ahead with an active lead in mobility.

(d) The only way to recover his loss (P-R5-R6), but Black uses the extra time to complete his development. (e) An exciting alternative occurred in Schmit-Vitolinsh, Latvian Championship, 1969, which was eventually drawn after 10...B-Q4 11 P-R5 B-K3! 12 Q-N2 RxP 13 QxR B-Q4 14 QxP N-B3 15 Q-R4 R-R8 16 K-B1 NxP.

(f) Best, as 12...QxQP 13 QxBch QxQ 14 PxQ KxP favors White.

(g) The right square for this bishop and more accurate than 14...N-B3 immediately, since 15 P-QB3 forces Black to defend his QP.

(h) But now 16 QxP R-Q1 would be too risky, due to 17 QxBP BxQP.

(i) Threatening 17...BxN.

(j) Probably counting on 17...RxP or 17...R-B5, which gives White a new lease on life after 18 QxP and 19 N-B5. Correct, in view of what happens, is 17 K-N1, preparing to answer 17...R-B5 with 18 Q-N3 NxP 19 NxN RxN 20 QxP.

(k) White must lose a piece after 23 NxN Q-KB3. A highly entertaining and theoretically important game!

HARRINGTON MEMORIAL IN SAN ANSELMO

The San Anselmo Parks and Recreation Dept. and the Ross Valley Chess Club are sponsoring the 1973 Robson Harrington Memorial Tournament, to be held Dec. 1-2 at the Robson-Harrington House: 237 Crescent Rd.: San Anselmo. An \$875 prize fund, based on 100 entries, will be awarded in seven categories. Entry fee is \$15; round one begins at 10:15 a.m., Sat., Dec. 1. Jerry Frazier will direct the five-round, USCF-rated event. Please bring sets and clocks.

U. S. CHAMPIONSHIP BOOK

Co-winner John Grefe has produced and written the tournament report of the 1973 U. S. Championship, a 40-page, offset printed, soft-cover book containing all 78 games in descriptive notation (without notes), plus diagrams, cartoon sketches of the participants, opening and player indices and the crosstable of results.

Send \$1.50 in check or money order to John Grefe, 2228 Dwight Way, Apt. 2, Berkeley, Calif. 94704 for a post-paid copy.

WHERE TO PLAY CHESS

The Hayward Chess Club, Palma Ceia Park (corner of Miami Ave. and Decatur Way), Monday and Friday, 8-12 p.m.

Cherryland Cafe, 22472 Meekland Ave., Hayward (corner of A St. and Meekland Ave.). Evenings, 11 p.m. to 6 a.m.

The San Leandro Chess Club, 205 Dutton Ave. (Washington School cafeteria, between East 14th St. and Bancroft Ave.), Monday, 7-11 P m.

The Fremont Chess Club, 40204 Paseo Padre Parkway (near City Hall at Lake Elizabeth), Monday, 7-11 p.m.

The Livermore Chess Club, Fourth and J Streets, Friday, 8-12 p.m.