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KNIGHTS CLUB

The double round-robin which all the members of the Deuel Knights are now engaged, has gone 2/3's towards its completion. The club members are divided into 6 divisions: A, B, C, D, E, and F. Each division has 5 players. The members of each division play against each other twice, and the member with the most wins in his section wins that section's trophy. The full results should be known by the next issue of the *Crossroads*. If play continues, as it has, anyone is capable of winning his division's trophy. We will print the names of all winners in our next column.

A question was asked about the Deuel Knights being a part of the USCF and the CCCA, and what it meant for the club. The members, as a part of the USCF, play in any USCF chess sponsored tournaments in any state of the union. They have a national chess rating, which is published monthly, in the "Chess Life and Review." A magazine which is sent to all USCF members. The USCF is the voice of all chess activities in the country. The Central California Chess Association is a part of the USCF; a part that takes in most of the chess clubs between San Francisco and Fresno. We, as members of the CCCA, are only one club out of 25. There are over 500 members in the CCCA. The CCCA also puts out a chess publication. This booklet, the "Scacchic Voice," is published and sent out to all members every 2 months. It is a very informative and essential publication. The booklet, for its size and price (\$1.20 per year), contains news which no club; nor club member, could do without. Each club is listed

with all its members and the ratings of each. It is the official voice of the CCCA. DVI can be very proud that it was accepted into the association. The Fall League Team Championship play, in which we are now engaged with the other clubs, is being promoted and sponsored by the CCCA. They are the ones who are presenting the trophies.

The club's "A" team is scheduled to play their 1st game of the CCCA's Fall Team Championship this week-end (Nov. 23) against Livermore. The "A" team has L. Syphert, on board 1; D. Satcher, board 1; R. Larson, board 3; and T. Marrs, on board 4.

Seems that last issue's chess problem was a little too hard for you. We had plenty of replies, but none correct. The winning moves were: 1. Pxpch, 2. Rpx Pch K-R5, 3. Qxpch!!! QxQ, 4. K-R2 any, 5. B-B2mate!!! Black can avoid mate only by losing his queen or substantial material, thus losing.

Try this one, White to play and mate in 2 moves. See what you can do. First 5 correct replies will be acknowledged by the column in the next issue. Send your replies to: *Chess, C/O the Editor, the Crossroads.*

