

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Dear Editor:

Chess in West Virginia is becoming stronger, more interesting and better organized. With the election of Marvin Barker, Jeff Ashley, Dennis Funkhouser and Tom Berquist the WVCA has what would seem to be a responsible leadership. However, the election of these men will accomplish very little if the membership does not give them more support than was given to the leadership in the past history of the WVCA. I was appalled at the irresponsible handling of the physical assets of the WVCA by the past leadership, but the membership was apathetic and thus the leadership was in turn apathetic. In reference to this I recommend the adoption of the philosophy of live and learn.

As to the issue of a constitution, I for one hope that the adoption of a viable, working constitution will become a reality in the not too distant future. Some suggestions which I leave open to debate:

The formation of a policy board made up of representatives from the more active chess cities in West Virginia.

The requirement of all chess players in the state to be members of the West Virginia Chess Association.

Standardizing entry fees in the state.

An annual tournament to determine the strongest city in the state.

I hope chess in West Virginia will continue with its new growth. Study hard, play hard and play to win.

Sincerely,

Delmar A Webb

Dear Editor:

This letter is in response to Marvin Barker's suggestion that the Marshall Chess Club require WVCA membership in all of its open tournaments. First, let me point out that the current membership dues (\$5) is much too high. At this time the WVCA is required to put out at least two magazine issues a year. In all honesty, we can not require people to pay \$5 for a guarantee of only two chess bulletins.

However, I have a couple of alternate suggestions for possible consideration at the next business meeting. Why not consider a WVCA publication four times a year? In addition to this, lower the annual dues to \$3. Granted that this might not work out if the membership is relatively low, it would probably be sufficient if every open tournament in our state required membership.

Some argue that mandatory membership is unfair to participants in high tournament. The addition of WVCA dues to the netry fee adds up to a relatively large expense to high school students in tournaments that offer only a few trophies and books. A possible solution in this case would be to allow a special membership fee (\$7) for an entire school. When you consider that some schools send as many as eight students to an event, their savings would be considerable. The Association would also save since it receives more money while sending only one magazine subscription to that school.

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Perhaps these suggestions would still leave the Association with insufficient funds to put out four issues a year. If so, then I come to my third point. Since all state tournaments would be covered in the bulletin, then let the tournament organizers contribute to the Association treasury. This could be accomplished by setting aside 25¢ from every entry fee in every open tournament and sending it to the Association. Any funds lost, by reducing annual dues to \$3, would readily be replaced by this extra revenue. Even if the magazine could be published successfully on the reduced dues alone, perhaps 25¢ per entry fee could still go to the Association. The money could go directly into the state championship prize fund. The result, a big money tournament each year without a substantial increase in the entry fee.

The above is a few possible suggestions. Please consider, modify, or add your own suggestions. Under the present format, our club will not require WVCA membership in our tournaments. However, we are open-minded and could very likely change our position if the WVCA could possibly modify theirs.

Mike McAlister  
President, Marshall Chess Club

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COMING ATTRACTIONS

July 16, 1977

USCF Non-Rated Beginners Tournament  
Kings & Queens Chess Club  
Holy Trinity Catechetical Center  
22nd Street & Second Avenue, Nitro WV  
4-round Swiss System, 40 moves in 1 hour  
Entry Fee: \$4; Under 18, \$3  
Registration: 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM  
Rounds: 9-11-1-3  
Open to Non-USCF or under 1200 rating only

July 23, 1977

Something Different!  
3-round Swiss System in 8-man sections, 30 moves in 1 hr  
St. Francis School Cafeteria  
Corner of Sixth Avenue & Park Street, St Albans WV  
Entry Fee: \$5 Prizes: \$20 & \$10 in each section  
Registration: 8:15 - 8:45 AM Rounds: 9-1-5

Open to all

Marshall University Chess

September 17, 1977

Fifth Marshall Tornado

Student Union

October 8, 1977

Seventh High School Open

Student Union

October 8, 1977

MU Quad #7

Student Union

November 12-13, 1977

Fifth Fall Open

Community College

December 3, 1977

Eighth High School Open

Student Union

February 11, 1978

MU Quad #8

March 11-12, 1978

Fourth Spring Open

April 8, 1978

Sixth Marshall Tornado

(See Chess Life & Review for details of all events above)

NOTICE TO STATE CHAPTERS  
21 Jan 77

Some confusing reports have recently appeared in the publications of State Chapters concerning the uses to which a State Chapter's affiliation may be put. Specifically, statements have been made that a State Chapter may use its USCF affiliation to sponsor tournaments of local chess clubs with the purpose of allowing those local chess clubs to avoid individual affiliation with the USCF. In the interest of clarity, we want to ensure that the long-standing USCF policy on the use of State Chapters' affiliations is properly understood.

State Chapters are constituted and recognized by the USCF specifically as "State Chapters" so that these affiliates may organize chess activities on a state-wide basis. Therefore, tournaments run for a state-wide purpose (such as a State Championship) or as part of a state-wide program of activity (such as a series of tournaments run by the Chapter on the same weekend in various sections of the state) fall within the proper use of a State Chapter's affiliation. However, it has never been USCF policy that a State Chapter may offer the use of its affiliation to a local club for a strictly local (not a state-wide) purpose with the intention to relieve the local organization of the necessity to affiliate independently to run a local tournament. Using a State Chapter's affiliation as an "umbrella" for local organizations in this way would be an improper use of a State Chapter's affiliation.

We take this opportunity to bring to the attention of State Chapters the USCF's offer to donate free mailing labels on a monthly basis consisting of those players whose USCF memberships have lapsed in the preceding month, with the stipulation that the labels be used in some program of membership retention. Any State Chapter which has not availed itself of this opportunity for free labels may write to the USCF National Office with a brief description of the proposed use of the labels and the name and address of the state officer to whom the labels should be sent.

United States Chess Federation

WVCA FORUM

You will see in the Letters to the Editor section a criticism of the "high" dues" now required for those wishing to join the WVCA from Mike McAlister, President of the Marshall Chess Club in Huntington. The main point of his letter is that dues are too high since the members only receive a minimum of two bulletins a year. This would imply that membership dues go for the bulletin alone. This is a somewhat naive point; which, unfortunately is shared by many other chess-players throughout the state. I want to point out to you, the members, what is done with your dues so you will have the total picture and thus be able to vote at our annual business meeting on a realistic and practical basis.

While it is true that a good part of your dues go towards the publishing of the bulletin, there are many other things these dues work for. The first and most important is the State Championship Tournament. Often the Association must put up money to obtain a place to play. This is paid from your dues. When your state tournament guarantees a prize fund and the entries fall short of the number required to cover this expense, your dues pay for this. Very frequently there are expenses during the year which the Association feels contribute to the betterment of chess in the state or enhances the state's image as a viable chess

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promoter, interested in the growth of the game. Last year there were two excellent examples of these: the Walter Browne simultaneous exhibition and our buying a trophy which was given to the best college team from West Virginia in the Pan American College Championships held in Columbus, Ohio. Your dues pay for this.

As you can now see there are other things which your dues go for, but I want you to know specifically what the bulletin is costing so you will see how much money is left over after bulletin expenses are paid for. The December issue (about 45 copies) cost 95¢ per issue to print. This was without having the issues collated by the photo-copying service we used to print the bulletin. In March 1977 the cost per issue rose to \$1.00 (about 65 copies); however, collating was included in the cost. The June issue was printed at a cost of \$1.00 per issue (about 90 copies) with collating. The total for the "other expenses" of the Association from dues charged for a junior membership is 5¢ and \$2.05 for senior memberships. Since junior and senior memberships are mixed at a ratio of 30% junior and 70% senior, the average amount per member left over to pay other Association expenses is \$1.70. This certainly isn't very much! It may even be less if a fourth bulletin is printed this year.

I believe that now most of you will realize that the Association is attempting to utilize your dues in a most circumspect manner and you are getting your money's worth. The dues that are being charged are more than fair and very much justified. If anything needs to be done to them at all, it would be to raise and not lower them.

Marvin R Barker  
President, WVCA

Postscript: The Association did try Mike's idea for lowering the cost of membership for high school students. At the high school championship this year, we offered a rate of \$7.00 for a team of four or more which included WVCA membership for all team members and a year's subscription to the WVCA Bulletin to the school club. Mr Charles Szasz, the sponsor of the tournament and a past president of the WVCA liked this idea very much; however, not one school team took this opportunity to join. Mr Szasz feels that he will require membership in the WVCA as a part of entry requirements for the high school championship next year if the Association will offer this rate again.

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY SPRING OPEN

March 19-20, 1977

Morgantown, WV

West Virginia's highest rated player Charles Hertan (2110) won this year's Spring Open with a score of  $4\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$ . He defeated second place winner Dennis Funkhouser (4-1), John W Dudley, third place finisher Mark Hathaway ( $3\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$ ) and drew State Champion Jeff Ashley (4-1) in the last round to clinch first prize.

If Charles continues to play in West Virginia this will certainly be only the first of many tournament wins to come.

Following are some games from this event which may indicate the fighting style of chess that predominated the tournament. I played over these games and recommend you do also. Sorry I wasn't able to annotate them--I prefer you do.

D Funkhouser

### Round 2

Hertan-Dudley 1 d3 d5 2 g3 Nf6 3 Nf3 e6 4 Bg2 c5 5 O-O Nc6 6 Nbd2 Be7  
7 e4 O-O 8 e5 Nd7 9 Re1 b5 10 Nf1 a5 11 h4 b4 12 N1h2 a4 13 h5 a3  
14 b3 Ba6 15 h6 g6 16 Ng4 Rc8 17 Bf4 c4 18 Qd2 dc 19 dc Nc5 20 Bf1 Na5  
21 Rab1 Nd7 22 Rec1 Rc1 23 Rc1 Nc5 24 Rc5 Bc5 25 d4 Be7 26 Ba6 Qa8  
27 Bg5 Nb3 28 ab Bg5 29 Qg5 Qd8 30 Qd2 Qa5 31 Qg5 Qd8 32 Qc1 Qa5  
33 Nf6+ Kh8 34 Bd3 a2 35 Qa1 Rc8 36 Ng5 Qc7 37 Kg2 Ra8 38 Bb1 Ra7  
39 Ba2 Qc2 40 Qb1 Qc7 41 Qb2 Qc8 42 Bb1 Qc7 43 Qc2 Qc2 44 Bc2 Rc7  
45 Bd3 Ra7 46 Bb5 Rc7 47 Bd7 Rd7 48 Nd7 f6 49 ef Kg5 1-0

Mark Smith-Paul Harless 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 e5  
6 Ndb5 d6 7 Bg5 a6 8 Na3 Be6 9 b3 Be7 10 Bf6 Bf6 11 Bg2 Ne7 12 O-O Rc8  
13 Qd2 b5 14 Nd5 Nd5 15 ed Bd7 16 c3 O-O 17 Nc2 a5 18 a3 g6 19 f4 ef  
20 Qf4 Be5 21 Qf2 f5 22 Rae1 f4 23 ef Rf4 24 Qe3 Qh5 25 Rf4 Bf4 0-1

Robert D Smith-Delmar Webb 1 e4 Nf6 2 e5 Nd5 3 d4 d6 4 c4 Nb6 5 f4 de  
6 fe Bf5 7 Nc3 e6 8 Be3 Nc6 9 Nf3 Be7 10 Bd3 Bg4 11 h3 Bf3 12 Qf3 Ne5  
13 de Qd3 14 Rd1 Qc4 15 Rd4 Qa6 16 Rf1 O-O 17 Qg4 Bc5 18 Bh6 g6  
19 Qf3 Nd5 20 Rd5 ed 21 Nd5 Qe6 22 Qf6 Qf6 23 Nf6+ Kh8 24 Bf8 Rf8  
25 Nd7 Bb4+ 26 Ke2 Re8 27 Rf7 Re7 28 Re7 Be7 29 Kd3 Kg7 30 Kd4 Kf7  
31 Nc5 Bc5 32 Kc5 Ke6 33 Kd4 b6 34 g4 g5 35 b4 c6 36 a4 a6 37 g5 b5  
38 Kc5 Ke5 39 Kc6 Ke6 40 Kb6 Kd6 41 Ka6 Kc6 42 Ka7 Kc7 43 Ka6 Kc6 44 Ka7 hb  
45 Ka6 Kc7 46 Ka7 Kc6 47 Kb8 Kd5 48 a6 Kc4 49 a7 Kb5 50 a8=Q 1-0

### Round 3

Hathaway-Hertan 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4 Ba4 Nf6 5 O-O Be7 6 Re1 b5  
7 Bb3 d6 8 c3 O-O 9 h3 Nd7 10 d4 Bf6 11 a4 Bb7 12 Qd3 ed 13 cd Nd4  
14 Nd4 Nc5 15 Qd1 Bd4 16 ab Qh4 17 Re2 Be5 18 Bd5 ab 19 Ra8 Ba8  
20 Ba8 Ra8 21 Qd5 Ra1 22 b4 Ne6 23 Qd3 Nf4 24 Bf4 Qf4 25 Kf1 Qc1  
26 Re1 Qc4 27 Qc4 bc 28 Ke2 Ra2+ 29 Ke3 Rb2 30 Rc1 Rb3+ 31 Ke2 Rb4  
32 g3 c5 33 f4 Bd4 34 Nd2 c3 35 Nf3 Kf8 36 e5 de 37 Ne5 Be5 38 f3 Re4+  
39 Kd3 Re5 40 Kc3 Ke7 41 Rg1 Ke6 42 Kc4 Kd6 43 Rd1+ Kc6 44 Rf1 f6 0-1

Brent Haynes-Mark Smith 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 g6  
6 Be3 Bg7 7 f3 O-O 8 Qd2 Nc6 9 Bc4 Bd7 10 O-O-O Qa5 11 Bb3 Rfc8  
12 h4 Ne5 13 Kb b5 14 Ncb5 Qa6 15 Nc3 Nc4 16 Bc4 Rc4 17 Nb3 Qc8  
18 Bh6 Bh6 19 Qh6 a5 20 Nd5 Nd5 21 Rd5 a4 22 Nd4 e6 23 Rd6 Qc7 24 Ne6 Be6  
25 Rd2 Rb8 26 a3 Qe5 27 c3 Rc3 28 Rd8+ Rd8 29 bc Qc3 30 Qc1 Rb8+ 0-1

### Round 4

Werhnyak-Stroup 1 e4 Nf6 2 e5 Nd5 3 d4 d6 4 Nf3 Bg4 5 Bc4 Nb6 6 Bf7+ Kf7  
7 Ng5+ Ke8 8 Qg4 h6 9 Qh5+ Kd7 10 e6+ Kc8 11 Nf7 Qe8 12 Nd6+ 1-0  
Hertan-D Funkhouser 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 c3 d5 4 Qa4 f6 5 Bb5 Nge7  
6 ed Qd5 7 d4 Bg4 8 Nbd2 Bf3 9 Nf3 a6 10 Bc4 Qe4+ 11 Be3 ed 12 O-O-O O-O-O  
13 Nd4 Nd4 14 Bd4 Qg2 15 Bf6 gf 16 Be6+ Kb8 17 Rd8+ Ka7 18 R8d1 Nc6  
19 Bd5 Qf2 20 Bc6 bc 21 Qd4+ Qd4 22 cd c5 23 dc Bc5 24 Rhf1 Bd6 25 h3 Be5  
26 Rd7 Kb6 27 Kc2 Kc6 28 Rf7 Rg8 29 Rf2 h6 30 Rh7 Rg6 31 h4 Bd4 32 Re2 f5  
33 h5 Rf6 34 Rg2 Be3 35 Rg6 Rd6 36 Rd6 Kd6 37 Rf7 f4 38 Rf6+ Ke5 39 Ra6 f3  
40 Kd3 f2 41 Ke2 Kf5 42 Rc6 Kg5 43 Rc7 Kh5 44 Rf7 Bd4 45 b4 Kg4 46 Rf2 Bf2  
47 Kf2 Kf4 48 Kg2 Ke4 49 Kh3 Kd4 50 a4 Kc4 51 b5 Kc5 52 Kh4 1-0

Ashley-D Griffith 1 c4 Nf6 2 Nc3 e6 3 Nf3 Bb4 4 g3 b6 5 Bg2 Bb7 6 O-O O-O  
7 a3 Be7 8 d4 d5 9 Nd2 Qc8 10 cd ed 11 b4 c5 12 bc bc 13 Qb3 cd  
14 Nd5 Nd5 15 Bd5 Bd5 16 Qd5 Nc6 17 Nf3 Rd8 18 Qe4 Rb8 19 Rd1 Bf6  
20 Bg5 Re8 21 Qd3 Qd8 22 Bf6 Qf6 23 Ra2 Rbd8 24 Rad2 Rd7 25 Qc4 Red8  
26 Kg2 Kf8 27 Qc5+ Ke8 28 Rc Ne7 29 Qe5 Qh6 30 Rcd f6 31 Qe4 f5  
32 Qe5 Kf7 33 Nd4 Rd5 34 Nf5 Qh2+ 35 Kh2 Re5 36 Rd8 1-0

Round 5 Ashley-Hertan 1 c4 Nf6 2 Nc3 e6 3 g3 Be7 4 Bg2 O-O 5 Nf3 d5  
6 cd ed 7 d4 c6 8 O-O Bf5 9 e3 Ne4 10 Ne4 Be4 11 Bd2 Nd7  $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$

1977 MARSHALL SPRING OPEN  
 Huntington, WV  
 March 26-27, 1977

	I	II	III	IV	V	TOTAL	RATING
1. Dennis Funkhouser	W12	W10	W2	W5	D4	4½ - ½	1938
2. Charles Hertan	W11	W7	L1	W12	W9	4 - 1	2110
3. Dennis Gogel	W18	W9	L5	W11	W6	4 - 1	2074
4. Michael Dockery	W26	D20	W25	W13	D1	4 - 1	1899
5. Mark Hathaway	W19	W16	W3	L1	WD	3 - 1	1932
6. Marvin Barker	W28	L17	W20	W22	L3	3 - 2	1870
7. Charley Farley	W30	L2	L12	W21	W19	3 - 2	1717
8. Paul Fields	L17	W21	D19	D20	W14	3 - 2	1713
9. John Roush	W22	L3	W26	W17	L2	3 - 2	1682
10. John Dudley	W27	L1	L22	W24	W20	3 - 2	1675
11. Peter Hudson	L2	W30	W15	L3	W22	3 - 2	1659
12. Richard Johnson	L1	W27	W7	L2	W23	3 - 2	1636
13. Paul Harless	D25	W15	W17	L4	WD	2½ - 1½	2013
14. Gary Cummings	L20	W28	D16	1-F	L8	2½ - 2½	1836
15. Andy Katz	W21	L13	L11	D26	W27	2½ - 2½	1784
16. Stan Vaughan	W29	L5	D14	D19	D17	2½ - 2½	1664
17. Richard Chafin	W8	W6	L13	L9	D16	2½ - 2½	1439
18. Jeffery Gibson	L3	L22	W24	L23	W26	2 - 3	1656
19. James Fields	L5	W23	D8	D16	L7	2 - 3	1631
20. David Hansen	W14	D4	L6	D8	L10	2 - 3	1562
21. Larry Donovan	L15	L8	W29	L7	BYE	2 - 3	1540
22. Moshe Khatena	L9	W18	W10	L6	L11	2 - 3	1332
23. Brent Haynes	O-F	L19	BYE	W18	L12	2 - 3	1291
24. Timothy Wise	BYE	L25	L18	L10	W29	2 - 3	1252
25. John Scherer	D13	W24	L4	O-F	WD	1½ - 2½	1655
26. William Cunningham	L4	W29	L9	D15	L18	1½ - 3½	1567
27. Tom Slamecka	L10	L12	D28	W29	L15	1½ - 3½	1300
28. Charles Harbert	L6	L14	D27	WD		1½ - 2½	1563
29. Billy Ellison	L16	L26	L21	L27	L24	0 - 5	UNR
30. Paul Smith	L7	L11	WD			0 - 2	1514

Dennis Funkhouser emerged from a field of 30 players, from six states, to capture first place in the Marshall Spring Open. Dennis defeated expert Charles Hertan in the third round and went on to beat Mark Hathaway in round four. The only blemish on his record was a draw in round five, with Michael Dockery, which clinched first place and \$250.

This tournament was the first attempt at Marshall for a relatively large prize fund. The total prize fund stood at \$500 with 14 people finishing in the money, primarily because of a six way tie for class B and a three way tie for class D/E. Richard Chafin captured the under 1600 prize (\$75) with a 2½ score. Bret Thompson directed the event.

## OF STATISTICAL INTEREST

As a general rule, the player possessing the white pieces is believed to hold a slight advantage. This is generally accepted in master play. But does this assumption apply to chess on the amateur level?

Using the Marshall Spring Open as an example, there were 68 games actually played. Of these, white won 36 (53%), black won 22 (32%), and ten games were drawn (15%). Going further, there were 12 games in which the lower rated won. In these games the lower rated player commanded the white army nine times (75%). Of the ten draws in the tournament, the lesser rated participant had white six times (60%).

Although these figures do not prove white's superiority, they do tend to support the theory. It would be interesting to note white's winning percentage in subsequent tournaments throughout the state.

James M McAlister

### Games from the 1977 Marshall Spring Open

Round 2 Richard Chafin-Marvin Barker (notes by James M McAlister)

1	e4	e5	15	f3	Be7
2	Bc4	Nf6	16	d3	Bc6
3	Nf3	Nc6	17	Be3	f5
4	Ng5	d5	18	Nc3	a6
5	ed	b5!?	19	Qf2?	e4!
	Ulvested's line of the Two Knight's Defense.		20	de	fe
6	dc		21	f4	Bd6
	This does not equalize for white. Best was Bf1!, transposing into the Fritz Variation after 6...Nd4 7 c3.		22	Qe2	
	. . . bc			This, coupled with white's 19th move, results in a loss of two tempi.	
7	Qe2		23	Qc4+	Kh8
	7 Nc3 h6 8 Nge4 Ne4 9 Ne4		24	Ne2	Re7
	Qd5 10 Qf3 seems better		25	Rae1	Ref7
	. . . Bd6?		26	g3	Rf5
	Most promising is h6 8 Qe5+		27	b4	Rb5
	Be7 9 Nf3 0-0 10 0-0 Bg4		28	a3	Bd5
	11 Qf4 Bd6 with excellent attacking chances for black.		29	Qd4	Bg8
	Also good is 7...Qd5.			Because of the threat 30 c4	
8	Qc4	0-0	30	c4	Rh5
9	Nc3	h6	31	Qa7?	Rh3?
10	Nge4	Be6		31...Bc4! forcing white to meet the threat of 32...Rh2! 33 Kh2 Be2 (a) 34 Re2 Qh5+ regaining the Rook with a plus for black. (b) 34 Rg1 Qh5+ 35 Kg2 Qf3+ 36 Kh2 Rf5! 37 g4 Bf4+ 38 Bf4 Qf4+ with a won position (c) 34 Rf2 Bf3 35 Rf3 (35 Kg? Qg3+ 36 Kf Qh3+ wins) f3 with advantage to black.	
11	Nf6+	Qf6	32	c5	Be7
12	Qe2	Qg6	33	Qc7	Bh4
13	0-0	Rae8	34	f5!	Rf5
	Best was 13...Qc2. Since white will be unable to hold the c6 Pawn, black's Bishop pair and better piece placement insure his advantage.				35 Qc8! Kh7
14	Ne4	Bd5			36 Qf5 Rg3+
	Threatening 15...f5!				1-0.

Round 4 Brent Haynes-Jeffery Gibson  
(notes by Mark Hathaway)

1 e4 Nf6  
Alekhine's Defense  
2 e5 Nd5  
3 d4 d6  
4 c4 Nb6  
5 f4  
The Four Pawns attack.  
... de  
6 fe Nc6  
7 Be3 Bf5  
8 Nc3 Nb4!?  
Usual is 8...e6. 9 Qf3 may be best now and if 9...Nc2+  
10 Kf2 Na1 11 Qf5 or 9...e6  
10 0-0-0  
9 Rc1 e6  
10 Be2  
10 a3!--editor  
... c5  
11 Nf3 Be7  
12 0-0 0-0  
13 a3 cd  
14 Nd4 Nc6  
15 Nf5 ef  
16 Rf5 g6  
17 Rf1  
White's Pawn center at the start is beginning to tell, his open lines give him the advantage.  
... Bg5  
If 17...Ne5 18 Bb6 with the idea of Nd5.  
18 Bg5 Qg5  
19 e6! Qe3+  
20 Kh1 Qe6  
21 Nd5  
Now 21...Nd5 does not work.  
... Rad8  
22 Bg4! f5  
White's Bg4 either forced f5 (a king-side weakness) or a Queen move and then Nf6+ followed by Qf3+  
23 Bf3 Qe5  
24 Rc2 Rfe8  
This protects the b Pawn and doubles on a file.  
25 Re2 Qg7  
26 Re8+ Re8  
27 Nb6 ab

28 Bd5+ Kf8  
This is dangerous but Black is afraid his King will be out of play in the endgame.  
29 Qb3 Qd4  
30 Rd1 Re2  
31 Rb1 Na5  
32 Qb4+ Kg7  
33 Bf3 Qd3  
34 Rg1 Rd2  
35 Qe7+ Kh6  
36 h4 1-0 Time

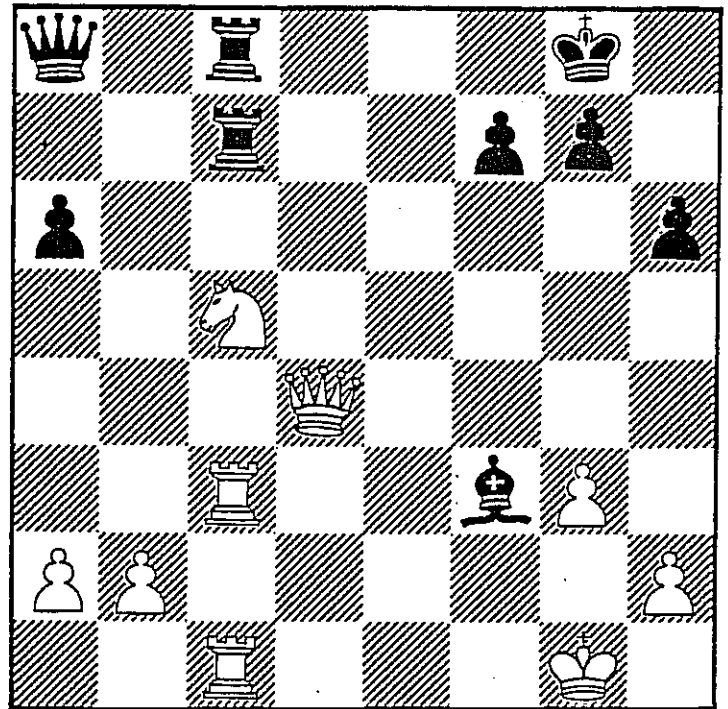
Round 3 Mark Hathaway-Dennis Gogel  
(notes by Mark Hathaway)

1 e4 c5  
2 Nf3 e6  
3 d4 cd  
4 Nd4 a6  
5 Bd3 Nf6  
6 c4 Nc6  
7 Nc6  
I played this game under the influence of Fischer-Petrosian, 1971  
... bc  
8 0-0 d5  
9 cd cd  
10 ed Nd5  
Opening the center up should be in White's favor because he is developed.  
11 Be4 Bd6  
The Pawn is still immune. 12 Bd5 ed 13 Qd5 Bh2+.  
12 g3  
Conceding the a8-h1 diagonal for a Pawn. 12 Nc3 may be better.  
... 0-0  
Black decides to sac a Pawn for good development.  
13 Bd5 ed  
14 Qd5 Ra7!  
15 Nc3 Rd7  
16 Qb3  
Maybe 16 Qf3 Bb7 and then  
17 Qg4  
... Bb7  
17 Be3 Qa8?!



Hathaway-Gogel (continued)

- 17 Be3 Qa8?1  
Better is 17...Qf6 forcing in White's Pawns.
- 18 Na4 Bc7  
If 18...Bg2 19 f3 Bf1 20 Nb6 Qf3 21 Rf1 =
- 19 Nc5 Bd5  
Avoiding exchanges is good here for Black.
- 20 Qa4 Rd6
- 21 Bf4?  
21 f4 with the same idea as on move 17.  
... Rc6
- 22 Bc7  
22 Be3 would be better.  
... Rc7
- 23 Rac1 Rfc8  
White is lost 23...Bg2 24 R any Bh1 -+.
- 24 Qd4 h6!?  
If he played Bg2 instead Re1 threatening Ne6 holds easily.
- 25 Rc3  
This is necessary now to double the rooks and protect the Kt.  
... Bg2?1
- 26 Rfc1 Bh1?
- 27 f3 Bf3  
(See diagram top next column)
- 28 Ne6! fe
- 29 Rc7 Rc7
- 30 Rc7 Qf8



- 31 Qd7 Qf6  
32 Rc8+ Kh7  
33 Qd3+ Qf5  
34 Qf5+ ef  
35 Kf2 Bd5  
36 b3 Kg6?  
37 Rd8 Bb7  
38 Rd7

1-0

He now loses the a-Pawn.

MILLSOP COMMUNITY CENTER OPEN  
May 14-15, 1977

State Champion Jeff Ashley and Jerry King of Pennsylvania tied at 4-1 to win the Millsop Community Center Open in Weirton, WV.

John W Dudley scored 3½-1½ in the fourteen-player field to tie for second.

- Round 3 Mr 'X'-Ashley 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 a6  
6 Bg5 e6 7 f4 Be7 8 Qf3 Qc7 9 0-0-0 Nbd7 10 Bd3 b5 11 Rhe1 Nb6 12 a3 Rb8  
13 e5 Eb7 14 Qh3 Nfd5 15 Bb5+ ab 16 Ndb5 Qd7 17 Be7 Ke7 18 Nd6 Kf8  
19 Rd4 Nc8 20 Nd5 Nd6 21 Nb6 Qb5 22 Rd6 Bc6 23 Qc3 Rb6 24 Red1 Ke7  
25 R6d4 Rhb8 26 Rb4 Qa5 27 Rdd4 Rb4 28 Rb4 Rb4 29 Qb4+ Qb4 30 ab Bg2  
31 Kd2 Kd7 32 Kd3 Kc6 33 Kd4 Kb5 34 Kc2 Bd5 35 b3 f6 36 h4 fe 0-1

MILLSOP (continued)

Round 4

Ashley-Werhnyak 1 c4 Nf6 2 Nc3 d5 3 cd Nd5 4 g3 g6 5 Bg2 c6 6 d3 Bg7  
 7 Bd2 0-0 8 Nf3 e5 9 0-0 Be6 10 a3 Nd7 11 Rb1 Qc7  
 12 Ng5 Nc3 13 bc Rae8 14 Ne6 Re6 15 Bh3 Ree8 16 Bg2 Nf6 17 c4 b6 18 c5 b5  
 19 Qc2 Re7 20 d4 e4 21 Bf4 Qd8 22 Bd6 e3 23 Qd3 ef+ 24 Rf2 Ng4 25 Be7 Qe7  
 26 Rf4 h5 27 h3 Nh3 28 Re4 Qd7 29 Qe3 Rd8 30 Rd f5 31 Re7 Bd4 32 Rd4 Qd4  
 33 Qd4 Rd4 34 Bc6 b4 35 a6 Bb4 36 Ra7 h4 37 Bd5+ Kf8 38 c6 1-0

King-Dudley 1 P-Qn3 P-Q4 2 B-N2 P-K3 3 P-K3 P-QB4 4 N-KB3 N-KB3 5 B-N5+  
 B-Q2 6 Q-K2 P-QR3 7 BxB+ QNx B 8 0-0 B-K2 9 P-Q3 0-0 10 QN-Q2 P-QN4  
 11 N-K5 NxN 12 BxN N-Q2 13 P-KB4 NxB 14 PxN P-Q5 15 N-K4 K-R1 16 Q-N4 K-N1  
 17 N-B6+ BxN 18 PxB Q-Q4 19 QxQ PxQ 20 PxNP KxP 21 Pxp Pxp 22 R-B4 QR-B1  
 23 R-QB1 KR-K1 24 K-B1 R-K4 25 Rxp R-B3 26 R-B4 R-K6  $\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$

Round 5

Dudley-Ashley 1 c4 e5 2 Nc3 Nf6 3 g3 d6 4 Bg2 Nc6 5 d3 Be7 6 Nf3 Bd7  
 7 0-0 0-0 8 a3 Qc8 9 Nd5 Bd8 10 b4 Nd5 11 cd Ne7 12 Bb2 Bh3 13 e4 Bg2  
 14 Kg2 h6  $\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$

1977 QUEENS and KINGS CHESS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

14 May 77

Nitro, WV

	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>Won</u>	<u>Lost</u>	<u>Draw</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Rating</u>
1. Bob Bukovac	D5	W6	W2	2	0	1	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$	1441
2. Jerry Skeen	W8	W4	L1	2	1	0	2 - 1	1426
3. Angelo Miller	L4	W8	W6	2	1	0	2 - 1	Unrated
4. Vernon Shawver	W3	L2	D5	1	1	1	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	1479
5. Jeannemarie Homer	D1	D7	D4	0	0	3	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ - 1 $\frac{1}{2}$	1291
6. Dennis Sergent	W7	L1	L3	1	2	0	1 - 2	872
7. Elmer Peaks	L6	D5	D8	0	1	2	1 - 2	1310
8. John Homer	L2	L3	D7	0	2	1	$\frac{1}{2}$ - 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	1151

Round 1

Jeannemarie Homer-Bob Bukovac 1 d4 Nf6 2 Nf3 g6 3 e3 Bg7 4 Bd3 0-0 5 0-0 d6  
 6 h3 c5 7 Na3 Nc6 8 c3 cd 9 ed a6 10 Re1 b5 11 b3 Bb7 12 Bb2 Rc8 13 b4 e6  
 14 Nc2 Ne7 15 a4 Qb6 16 Qe2 Nfd5 17 Qd2 Ra8 18 c4 bc 19 Bc4 Rfc8 20 Bd5 Nd5  
 21 a5 Qb5 22 Qe2 Qe2 23 Re2 Nf4 24 Rd2 Nh3+ 25 gh Bf3 26 Ne3 Rab8 27 Ba3 Rc3  
 28 Bb2 Rc6 29 Ba3 Rbc8 30 Bb2 Bh6 31 Rd3 Be4 32 Rb3 Bc2 33 Nc2 Rc2 34 b5 ab  
 35 Rb5 d5 36 a6 Ra8 37 a7 Bf4 38 Rb7 Kg7 39 Kg2 Rc7 40 Rc7 Bc7 41 Ra6 Kf8  
 42 Ba3+ Ke8 43 Bc5 Kd7 44 Kf3 Kc8 45 Ra2 Kb7 46 Rb2+ Kc6 47 Kg4 h6 48 h4 f5+  
 49 Kf3 e5 50 Ke3 ed 51 Bd4 Kd7 52 Rb7 Kc8 53 Rb3 Kd7 54 Rb7 Kc6 55 Rb3 Bh2  
 56 Rb6+ Kc7  $\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$

Round 2

Bob Bukovac-Dennis Sergent 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 Nf6 4 Nc3 Nd4 5 Bc4 Bb4  
 6 0-0 Bc3 7 dc 0-0 8 cd Ne4 9 Ne5 Nd6 10 Bb3 Nb5 11 c3 Qf6 12 Re1 d6 13 Nf7 Rf7  
 14 Re8 Mate

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1977 WEST VIRGINIA HIGH SCHOOL CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

May 7-8, 1977

Charleston, WV

The West Virginia High School Chess Championship for senior high schools (grades 10-12) was held at the Daniel Boone Hotel in Charleston on May 7 & 8.

The tournament consisted of six rounds with only the four highest scores counting towards the team point totals. After the fifth round Parkersburg South led with 15 points and Magnolia trailed in second place by  $\frac{1}{2}$  point. Following the sixth round, however, Parkersburg South fell back to fifth place and Huntington East sprang back from behind to win the championship with 18 points. The top five teams were: Huntington East, Magnolia (17), Nitro (17), Pineville (17), and Parkersburg South.

(Darrell Ballard, coach of the New Martinsville team, submitted the following writeup)

High scorer for Magnolia was Jeff Hohn, undefeated with four wins and two draws for a total of five points placing him on the "All Tournament Team."

Robert "Wolfie" Francis lost only one game, winning three and drawing two for a total of four points. Also scoring four points were Jerry Haught and David Goddard. Glenn Harshberger scored three points and Bruce Haught  $2\frac{1}{2}$  points. The team total was seventeen points.

New Martinsville Magnolia also went to the National Senior High Chess Tournament, May 13-15, and placed 23rd out of 50 teams and 254 players in the Novice Section. This was not the same team as participated in the West Virginia Championship, however, due to the fact that the school prom was held on the same weekend and missing members were replaced by members of the junior high school team. Final individual scores of the team members: David Goddard  $4\frac{1}{2}$ , Kevin Keegan  $4\frac{1}{2}$  (junior high), Robert Francis 4, Ack Morgan 4 (junior high), Glenn Harshberger 4, Jim Blatt & David Hohn 3 (both junior high). Team total: 17 points.

1977 Cleveland Nationals David Goddard (Magnolia) - Paul Earl (Whitney Point)  
 1 P-K4 P-QB4 2 P-Q4 PXP 3 P-QB3 PXP 4 NXP N-QB3 5 N-KB3 P-K4 6 B-QB4 P-KR3  
 7 O-O P-Q3 8 Q-K2 B-KN5 9 R-Q1 Q-B3 10 N-Q5 Q-Q1 11 N-K3 B-R4 12 NXP BxQ  
 13 BxP+ K-K2 14 N-Q5 Mate

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Mike Walizer-Glenn Harshberger 1 P-K4 P-Q4 2 PXP N-KB3 3 Q-B3 NXP  
 4 B-B4 B-K3 5 P-Q3 N-QB3 6 N-KR3 N-Q5 7 Q-Q1 N-N5 8 B-N5+ NxB 9 P-QB3  
 NXP+ 10 K-B1 B-B5 11 Q-N4 N-K4+ 12 QxB Q-Q8 Mate

Glenn Harshberger-Don Stennett 1 P-K4 P-K4 2 N-KB3 N-QB3 3 B-B4 B-B4  
 4 P-QB3 P-Q3 5 P-Q4 PXP 6 PXP B-QN5+ 7 N-QB3 BxN+ 8 PxB KN-K2 9 P-Q5 N-K4  
 10 NxN PxN 11 Q-R5 Q-Q3 12 B-KN5 Q-B4 13 BxN QxB/5 14 QxKP P-KB3  
 15 BxP+ Black resigns (White has mate in at most three moves)

THE TAIL OF TWO DRAGONS CONTINUES! by Dennis E Funkhouser

The last issue of the Bulletin included an article on the Dragon Sicilian written by Marvin (Joe) Barker. Bob Bonwell, a regular from way back at Charleston area chess, has submitted a thought or two on Joe's analysis.

After 1 P-K4 P-QB4 2 N-KB3 P-Q3 3 P-Q4 PXP 4 NXP N-KB3 5 N-QB3 P-KN3  
 6 B-K3 B-N2 7 P-B3 O-O 8 Q-Q2 N-B3 9 B-QB4 B-Q2 10 P-KR4 Q-R4 11 O-O-O  
 KR-B1 12 B-N3 N-K4 13 K-N1 P-QN4!? 14 P-R5!? NXRFP we now arrive at the position in question.

DRAGON CONTINUES!! (continued)

Joe gives 15 P-N4! as played in the game Scherer-Griffith at the Edward M Foy Open in Morgantown. Bob Suggests 15...NxBP and supports it with: 16 NxN BxP and after 17 KR-B1 BxQN with four Pawns for the piece. He rules out the move 17 QR-KB1 with 17...N-N6.

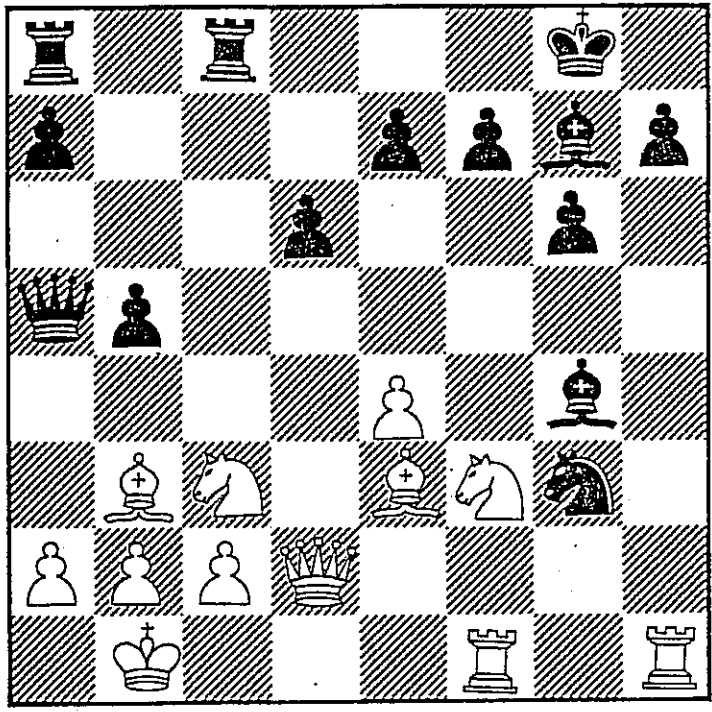
I gave this position some thought and decided Bob had to be wrong somewhere. There are positions in the Dragon where the piece is sacrificed at g4 for the Pawns, but this is not one of them. The reason is that the Queens are still on the board and Black, although he is winning Pawns, is also opening lines to his King.

The answer comes with 17 QR-KB1 N-N6 (see diagram at right)

- 18 N-N5 ! NxQR
- 19 BxP+ K-B1
- 20 RxB B-B3
- 21 Q-Q5

with a winning attack

Admittedly my analysis is skimpy and may not put this Dragon tail to rest. For this reason, any further ideas on this line would be welcome.



1977 CHARLESTON CHESS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

The Charleston Chess Club Championship finally came to a close after three months of heated competition. John Everett Roush came out on top of the struggle as the 1977 Charleston Chess Club Champion after edging ahead of Dr Cornelio Nolasco to make the playoff quad and then taking the quad 2½-½. He beat your Editor in an embarrassingly quick game, snorked Joe Barker out of a full point in a lost endgame and then drew Bob Bonwell to clinch first. Bob took second place honors with a score of 1½-1½ and Joe and I drug up the rear at 1-2.

Championship Playoff Quad

	1	2	3	4	TOTAL
1. John E Roush	x	½	1	1	2½ - ½
2. Robert A Bonwell	½	x	0	1	1½ - 1½
3. Dennis E Funkhouser	0	1	x	0	1 - 2
4. Marvin R Barker	0	0	1	x	1 - 2

QUALIFICATION PRELIMINARIES

Section A

	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1. Dennis E Funkhouser	x	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7 - 0
2. Robert A Bonwell	0	x	1	1	0	1	1	1	5 - 2
3. Philip M Lewis	0	0	x	1	0	1	1F	1	4 - 3
4. Timothy E Davis	0	0	0	x	1	1/2	1	1F	3 1/2 - 3 1/2
5. David F Marples	0	1	1	0	x	OF	0	1	3 - 4
6. Andrew J Glancy	0	0	0	1/2	1F	x	0	1	2 1/2 - 4 1/2
7. Theodore Quast, Jr	0	0	OF	0	1	1	x	0	2 - 5
8. Thomas L Roush	0	0	0	OF	0	0	1	x	1 - 6

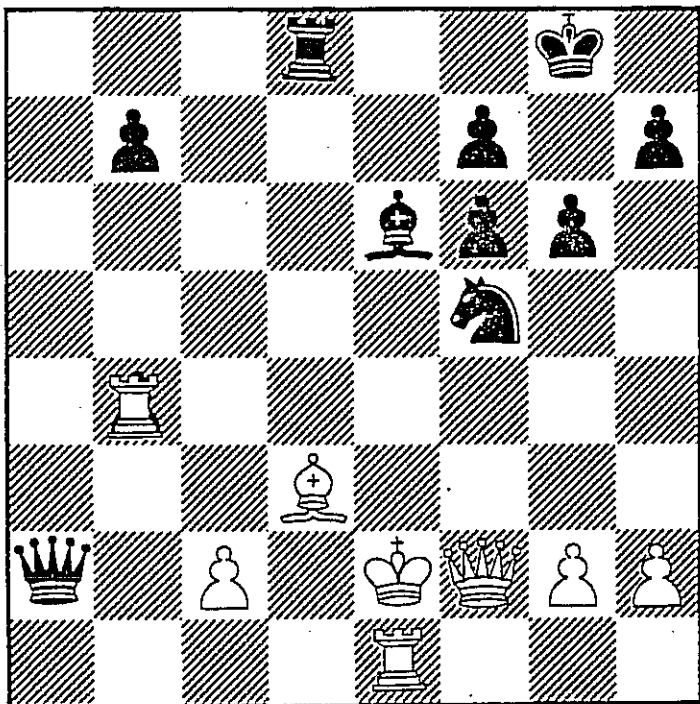
Section B

	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1. Marvin R Barker	x	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8 - 1
2. John E Roush	1	x	1/2	0	1F	1	1	1	1	1	7 1/2 - 1 1/2
3. Cornelio Nolasco	0	1/2	x	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7 1/2 - 1 1/2
4. Carl E Kiser	0	1	0	x	1	1/2	1	1	1	1	6 1/2 - 2 1/2
5. Edward R Andrews	0	OF	0	0	x	1	1F	1	OF	1	4 - 5
6. W Brent Haynes	0	0	0	1/2	0	x	1	0	1	1/2	3 - 6
7. Robert L Stewart	0	0	0	0	OF	0	x	1	1	1	3 - 6
8. Edward J Welp	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	x	1	1	3 - 6
9. Franklin Roberts	0	0	0	0	1F	0	0	0	x	1	2 - 7
10. Melissa Bryant	0	0	0	0	0	1/2	0	0	0	x	1/2 - 8 1/2

Round 3, Playoff Quad (notes by Dennis Funkhouser)

Funkhouser-Barker	11 ... de
1 e4 o5	12 fe Ne5
2 Nf3 d6	13 Bf6 ef
3 d4 cd	14 Nd5 ...
4 Nd4 Nf6	14 O-O? Qc5
5 Nc3 a6	... Qd6
6 Bg5 Nbd7	15 Qa5 Be7!
7 f4!?	15...Bg7? 16 Nc7+ ±
7 Bc4 is recommended by Geller in "The Najdorf Variation."	16 Nb5 ...
... Qb6	16 Nc7+? Kf8 17 Na8 Qd4 18 Nb6
This is the recommended reply to 7 f4!?	Bf5! ♯
8 Qd2?! ...	... ab
8 a3 appears better	17 Qa8 ...
... Qb2	17 Bb5+ Kf8 18 Qa8 Kg7 ♯
9 Rb1 ...	... O-O
9 Nb3??, Nc5 wins	17...Qd5 18 Qc8+ ±
... Qa3	18 Ne7+ Qe7
10 Be2 g6?! 10...Qc5!	19 Qa7 ...
11 e5! ...	19 Qa5 Nc6 20 Qd2 may be better.
I felt it necessary to break the game open or be a Pawn down after Black plays Bg7 and O-O.	... Nc6
	20 Qf2 Re8 ♯
	21 Kd2 b4!
	This binds the black squares and gives Black a strong initiative.
	22 KRe1 Qe5

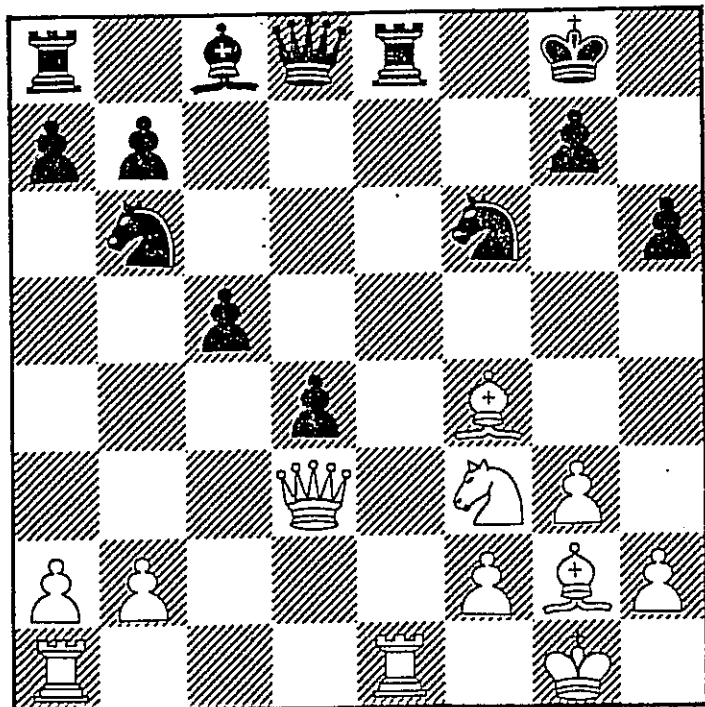
23 Rb3 Be6  
 Both players in this game are rarely seen in time trouble, but we were already here.  
 24 Re3 Qb2  
 25 Bd3 Nd4



26 Re4 Rd8  
 27 Ke3 Nf5??  
 27...Bf5! wins outright  
 28 Ke2 Qa2  
 28...Ba2 29 Kf1 =  
 29 Rb4 (See diagram)

29 ... Rd3!!  
 Saves Black from an endgame which he would probably lose after 30 Kf1  
 30 Kd3 Qa3+  
 31 c3 Qa6+  
 32 Kc2 ...  
 32 Ke4?? Bd5+! 33 Kf4 Qd6+  
 34 Kg4 Qh2 with mate to follow.  
 ... Qa2+  
 33 Rb2 Bb3+  
 34 Kc1?? ...  
 White has to accept a draw with 34 Kd3 Bc4+ 35 Kc2 Bb3+ 36 Kd3 etc. If 35 Ke4?? Qa5!! wins quickly. It is interesting to note that Black also must accept the draw 35...Qa4+?? 36 Kd2 Qd7+ 37 Kc1 and White wins  
 ... Qa1  
 White resigns. On 35 Rb1 Qc3+.

Qualification Preliminaries  
 Round 4 Section B  
 Kiser-John Everett Roush



1 d4 f5  
 2 Nf3 Nf6  
 3 g3 d6  
 4 Bg2 Nbd7  
 5 O-O c6  
 6 c4 Qc7  
 7 Nc3 e5  
 8 e4 fe  
 9 Ng5 Nb6  
 10 Nce4 Be7  
 11 Qe2 O-O  
 12 Nd6? Bd6  
 13 c5 ed  
 14 cd Qd6  
 15 Bf4 Qd8  
 16 Rfe1 Re8  
 17 Qd3 h6  
 18 Nf3 c5  
 (See diagram at left)  
 19 Bh6 Re1+

20 Re1 gh  
 21 Qg6+ Kh8  
 22 Qh6+ Kg8  
 23 Qg6+ Kf8  
 24 Ng5 Qd7  
 25 Qf6+ Kg8  
 26 Re7 1-0

Prelims Marples-Davis 1 d4 e6 2 e4 d5 3 Bd3 Nf6  
 4 Nd2 c5 5 c3 Nc6 6 Ngf3 Qb6 7 0-0 cd 8 cd Nd4  
 9 Nd4 Qd4 10 Nf3 Qb6 11 e5 Nd7 12 Qc2 g6 13 a3 Bg7  
 14 Re1 0-0 15 Bd2 f6 16 Bc3 fe 17 Ne5 Ne5 18 Be5 Be5  
 19 Re5 Rf6 20 h4 Bd7 21 Qe2 Raf8 22 Rf1 Qd4 23 h5 Kg7  
 24 hg hg 25 Rg5 Qh4 26 Rg3 Qg3 27 fg Rf1+ 28 Qf1 Rf1+  
 29 Kf1 a6 30 Kf2 Kf6 31 Ke3 e5 32 Bc2 d4+ 33 Kf2 Bc6  
 34 Bd1 e4 35 Bc2 g5 36 Bd1 Ke5 37 Ke2 Bb5+ 38 Kd2 e3+  
 White resigns

Round 1 Preliminaries

Barker-J Roush

1 e4 c5  
 2 Nf3 Nc6  
 3 d4 cd  
 4 Nd4 Nf6  
 5 Nc3 d6  
 6 Bc4 e6  
 7 Be3 Be7  
 8 Qe2 Bd7  
 9 Bb3 0-0  
 10 0-0-0 a6  
 11 g4 Nd4  
 12 Bd4 e5  
 13 Be3 Bg4  
 14 f3 Bh5  
 15 Qg2 Rc8  
 16 Rhg1 Bg6  
 17 Bg5 Rc3  
 18 bc Qa5  
 19 Bf6 Bf6  
 20 Rd6 Qa3+  
 21 Kb1 Qd6  
 22 Qg4 Rd8  
 23 h4 Qd7  
 24 Qg3 Bh5  
 25 Kb2 Rc8  
 26 Kc1 Rc3  
 27 Rd1 Qd1+  
 28 Kd1 Rf3

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J Roush-Funkhouser 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4 Ba4 Nf6 5 0-0 b5 6 Bb3 Be7  
 7 d4 ed 8 Re1 0-0 9 e5 Ne8 10 Nd4 Nd4 11 Qd4 Bb7 12 a4 d5 13 c3 c5 14 Qg4 f5  
 15 ef Nf6 16 Qe6+ Rf7 17 Bg5 c4 18 Bc2 d4 19 Bf6 Bf6 20 Bh7+ Kf8 21 ab Re7  
 22 Qg8 Mate

Barker-J Roush 1 e4 Nf6 2 e5 Nd5 3 d4 d6 4 Nf3 g6 5 Bc4 Nb6 6 Bb3 Bg7  
 7 0-0 0-0 8 a4 a5 9 h3 Nc6 10 Bf4 de 11 de Bf5 12 c3 Qd1 13 Rd1 Be4  
 14 Nbd2 Bd5 15 c4 Be6 16 Re1 Nb4 17 Re3 Nd7 18 Ne4 Bf5 19 Rd1 Rfd8  
 20 Ng3 Nc5 21 Nf5 gf 22 Kh2 Rd1 23 Bd1 Nbd3 24 Bg5 Nf2 25 Bc2 f6 26 ef ef  
 27 Bf4 Nfe4 28 Bc7 Bf8 29 Nd4 Bd6 30 Bd6 Nd6 31 b3 Rb8 32 Re7 Nc4  
 33 Nf5 Ne5 34 Nh6 Kf8 35 Rh7 Rd2 26 Bf5 Nf3 37 Kg3 Ng5 38 Rc7 Nce4 39 Be4  
 Ne4 40 Kf4 Nd6 41 Rd7 Rd4 42 Kf3 Ke8 43 Rg7 Rd3 44 Kg4 Rb3 45 Kh5 Rb4  
 46 Kg6 Ra4 47 Ng8 Rd4 48 Nf6 Kd8 49 g4 a4 50 h4 a3 51 h5 a2 52 Rge Ke7  
 53 Ra8 Ne4 54 Ne4 Re4 55 g5 Re6 56 Kh7 Ra6 57 Rb8 a1=2 58 Rb7 Ke6 59 g6  
 and White resigns

Lewis-Marples

1 c4 b6 2 Nc3 Bb7 3 Nf3 e6  
 4 g3 f5 5 Bg2 Nf6 6 0-0 Be7 7 b3 0-0 8 Bb2 Qe8  
 9 Qc2 Qh5 10 Nd1 d6 11 d4 Nbd7 12 Qd2 Ne4 13 Qd3 Ndf6  
 14 Bc1 Rad8 15 h4 Ng4 16 Nh2 Nh2 17 Kh2 g5 18 Rh1 gh  
 19 Kg1 Qg6 20 Nc3 hg 21 Ne4 gf+ 0-1

Marples-Quast

1 d4 Nf6 2 Nd2 e6 3 Ngf3 d5  
 4 e3 c5 5 c3 Nbd7 6 Bd3 Bd6 7 0-0 Qc7 8 e4 de  
 9 Ne4 Ne4 10 Be4 Nf6 11 Qe2 cd 12 cd Ne4 13 Qe4 0-0  
 14 Bd2 Bd7 15 Rac1 Bc6 16 Qh4 Qd8 17 Bg5 f6 18 Bd2 Bd5  
 19 a3 Qb6 20 Bc3 Rac8 21 Qh3 Rc6 22 Rfe1 Bf4 23 Rc2 Qb3  
 24 Rce2 Rfc8 25 Nd2 Bd2 26 Rd2 Rc3 27 bc Rc3 28 Qh5 g6  
 29 Qh4 Kg7 30 h3 Qa3 31 Rde2 Qa6 32 Qg4 Kf7 33 Qf4 b5  
 34 Qb8 Rc8 35 Qg3 b4 36 Qh4 Kg7 37 g4 Qd6 38 g5 f5  
 39 Qh6+ Kg8 40 h4 Qf4 41 Re3 Qg4+ 42 Rg3 Qd4 43 h5 Rc3  
 44 Rc3 bc 45 Re3 Qd1+ 46 Kh2 Qh1+ 0-1

J Roush-Nolasco

1 e4 e5 2 f4 fe 3 Nf3 d6  
 4 Bc4 g5 5 h4 g4 6 Ng5 Nh6 7 0-0 Qf6 8 d4 Bg7 9 e5 de  
 10 d3 Qb6+ 11 Kh1 f3 12 Bf4 0-0 13 gf Bf5 14 Bd3 Bd3  
 15 Qd3 Qg6 16 Qg6 hg 17 Ne4 Nd7 18 Bh6 Bh6 19 f4 f5  
 20 Ng5 Bg5 21 hg Kf7 22 Nc3 Nc5 23 Rad1 Rad8 24 Kg2 Ke6  
 25 b4 Na6 26 a3 c6 27 Rh1 Nc7 28 Kg3 Rd1 29 Rd1 1/2-1/2

Playoff Quad Bonwell-Funkhouser 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6

3 c3 d5 4 Bb5 f6 5 ed Qd5 6 c4 Qe4+ 7 Qe2 Bf5  
 8 Nc3 Qe2+ 9 Ke2 0-0-0 10 Nd5 Nge7 11 Ne3 Bd3+  
 12 Kd1 Nd4 13 Ba4 Be2+ 14 Ke1 Bf3 15 gf Nf3+  
 16 Ke2 Nd4+ 17 Kf1 Nef5 18 a3 Nh4 19 b4 e4 20 Nd5 c6  
 21 Bb2 Ndf3 22 Nf6 gf 23 Bf6 Bh6 24 Bh8 Rh8 25 c5 Nd2+  
 26 Ke2 Nhf3 27 Ra2 Rd8 28 Rd1 Nd4+ 29 Ke1 N2f3+  
 30 Kf1 Rg8 31 Rd4 Rg1+

LAST ROUND ENCOUNTERS by Marvin R "Joe" Barker

I have been very inactive on the West Virginia tournament circuit the last two years. In an attempt to return to past form, I played in a tournament in Huntington last March and the Charleston Chess Club Championship which ran from February to May. My last round encounter in Huntington and my final game of the club preliminaries were very important. The former because it meant second place and some prize money and the latter because a loss or draw would prevent me from making the club finals. Here are the games.

Marshall \$900 Open

Barker-Gogel

1 e4 c5  
2 Nf3 e6  
3 d4 cd  
4 Nd4 a6  
5 c4 Nf6  
6 Nc3 Bb4  
7 Bd3 Qc7?!

A new move or at least a move I could not find in any opening books. It has some advantages and some minuses. Normal and better is 7...Nc6

8 O-O b6?!  
This does not put any pressure on White's center since he has not played f4 yet.

9 f4? ...  
Falling into Black's strategic plan. Better is 9 Be3 with Nb3 and f3 to follow.  
... Bc5

10 Be3 Nc6  
11 Nc2 d6  
12 Bc5? ...  
Loses a tempo  
... bc

13 Qe2 Rb8  
14 b3 h5  
15 Rae1 Nd4!  
Attempting to seize the initiative.

16 Nd4 cd  
17 e5 dc  
18 ef gf  
19 f5? ...  
A serious mistake as Black's next move shows. Much better is 19 Qe3 with the idea of 20 Qd4  
... e5!

White's Bishop is quite horrible.

20 Qc2 Bb7  
Black does not attempt to hold the Pawn on c3 b6 Qd5+ followed by Qd4 since an eventual Rc1 will win it.

21 Qc3 Rg8  
22 Be4! d5!  
23 Bf3 dc  
24 bc Rc8  
24...Bf3 is a little better.

25 Bb7 Qb7  
26 Rf2 Rg4  
27 c5 Qd5  
28 Rc1 Rd4  
29 Qc2 Kd7  
30 h3 Rb8  
31 c6+ Kc7  
32 Qe2! Rb6  
33 Qh5 e4?  
Risky! Black should just take the Pawn on c6.

34 Qh4 ...  
With the idea 34...e3 35 Qg3+.  
... Rd1+

35 Rd1 Qd1+  
36 Kh2 Qd6+??  
This is a blunder which I fail to take advantage of.

37 Qg3! Rc6  
38 Re2? ...  
Returning the compliment. 38 Rd2! forces Black to exchange Queens and gets my King one very vital tempo closer to the center. This move would also serve the function of keeping the Black King cut off of the Queenside since an exchange of Rooks would force



ENCOUNTERS (continued)

a lost King and Pawn ending for Black (analysis).  
 ... Rc4  
 39 Qd6?? ...  
 39 Rd2! is still possible.  
 ... Kd6  
 40 g4 Ke5  
 41 Kg3 Rc3+  
 42 Kg2 c5  
 43 h4 Kf4  
 44 h5 Rg3+  
 45 Kh2 Rg4  
 46 Kh3 Kg5  
 47 h6 Rh4+  
 48 Kg3 Rh6  
 49 Re4 Rh8  
 50 Re7 Rc8!

With the idea of Rc3+ and Rc2+ winning my a-Pawn. I should resign here.

51 Kf3 Kf5  
 52 Re3 ...  
 A better try is 52 Rf7 although it should lose.

... Kg5  
 53 Rc3 Rc5  
 54 Rc4 f5  
 55 a3 f4  
 56 Kf2 Kg4  
 57 Rd4 Rc2+  
 58 Kf1 Rc3  
 59 a4 Kf3

White resigns  
 No second place and no money. However, I didn't mind losing to Dennis, an expert from Indiana, since I've known him for about four years but never had the pleasure of playing him.

CHAS. C. C. CHAMPIONSHIP

Barker-Nolasco

1 e4 c6  
 2 d4 d5  
 3 Nc3 de  
 4 Ne4 Bf5  
 5 Ng3 Bg6  
 6 Nf3 Nd7  
 7 h4 h6  
 8 h5 Bh7

9 Bd3 Bd3  
 10 Qd3 e6  
 11 Bd2 Ngf6  
 12 Qe2 Qb6?

Up to White's twelfth move everything was book. However, Black's twelfth is a new move which is not very good as will be seen.

13 O-O-O O-O-O  
 14 c4! ...

This prevents Black from playing Bdc now or at some future time since c5 would win a piece. Since this is definitely the best square for Black's Bishop, White has the advantage.

... Bb4?!  
 Very dubious as the Bishop has no play here. 14...Be7 is better.

15 Bf4! Rhe8  
 This with the idea of 16...e5.

16 Ne5 Ne5  
 17 d3 Ng8!?  
 With the idea of Ne7-f5.

18 a3 Bf8?!  
 Wastes a tempo.

19 Ne4 Bc5  
 20 b4! Be7  
 20...Bb4 Doesnot work.

21 c5 Qa6?!  
 It would appear that 21...Qc7 is better, although after 22 Nd6 Bdc 23 ed White's protected passed Pawn makes it hard for Black to move.

22 Qa6 ba  
 23 Nd6+ Bd6  
 24 cd Kd7

To block the Pawn without tying the Rooks down.

25 Be3 f6  
 Black needs lines for his Rooks.

26 f4 fe  
 27 fe Krf8  
 28 KRf1 Rf5

29 g4! ...  
 This forces entry into Black's position by White's Rooks.

... Re5  
 30 Rf7+ Ke8  
 31 Rg7 Re3

ENCOUNTERS (continued)

If 31..Kf8 32 Rg6 with the idea of Rf1+.

32 Rg8+ Kd7  
 33 Rg7+ Kc8  
 34 Kb2 Rd7  
 35 Rg6 Rf7

It looks as if Black now has counterplay, but a nasty surprise awaits him.

36 d7+! Rd7  
 37 Rd7 Kd7

You may well wonder why White sacrificed his strong Queen Pawn. Well, he will recover his Pawn and leave Black's lone Rook with no counterplay since checks only drive White's King up the board towards Black's isolated and weak Pawns.

38 Rh6 e5  
 Black's best chance although it isn't sufficient. Black is now lost.

39 g5 e4  
 40 g6 Rg3  
 41 Rh7+ Ke6  
 42 Rf7! ...

With the idea of Rf8 & Re8+.

... Rg5

43 Rf8 Ke7  
 44 Rf4 Rh5

44...Re5 loses. White's King comes over and blocks the Pawn.

45 Re4+ Kf6  
 46 Rc4 Kg6

46...c5! is better but also loses in the long run.

47 Rc6+ Kf7  
 48 Rc6 Rh3  
 49 Ra7+ Ke6  
 50 Rc7 Kd6  
 51 Rc3 1-0

MOUNTAINEER OPEN

Donald W Griffith posted a perfect 5-0 score to win the Mountaineer Open in Morgantown, November 6-7, 1976. Charles Hertan finished second with a record of 4-1. Here are two games from this event.

Griffith-Hertan

1	P-K4	P-QB4	2	N-KB3	F-Q3
2	P-Q4	PxP	4	NxP	N-KB3
5	N-QB3	P-KN3	6	B-K3	B-N2
7	P-B3	O-O	8	Q-Q2	N-B3
9	B-QB4	B-Q2	10	O-O-O	Q-R4
11	B-N3	KR-B1	31	Q-QK4	Q-Q1
12	K-N1	N-K4	32	Q-N6	Q-K1
13	B-N5	N-B5	33	QR-Q1	N-Q4
14	BxN	RxB	34	Q-N2	B-R3
15	N-N3	Q-K4	35	R-Q3	B-B5
16	KR-K1	RxN	36	RxN	BxR
17	PxR	B-K3	37	BxB	Q-B3
18	B-K3	P-QR4	38	N-Q3	P-R6
19	P-QR4	B-Q2	39	Q-N4	R-R5
20	B-B4	Q-K3	40	Q-N8+	K-N2
21	P-K5	PxP	41	Q-K5+	P-B3
22	RxP	Q-B5	42	QxKP+	B-B2
23	Q-Q4	Q-B1	43	N-B5	RxB
24	N-B5	B-B3	44	N-K6+	K-R3
25	R5-K1	P-QN4	45	Q-B8+	K-R4
26	B-K5	PxP	46	P-N4+	RxP
27	NxP	Q-R3	47	PxR+	KxP
28	N-B5	Q-N4+	48	Q-N4+	K-R4
29	K-R1	P-R5	49	Q-B5+	Black
30	R-QN1	Q-R4			resigns

Cummings-Griffith

1	P-K4	P-QB4	25	Q-K2	B-Q5+
2	N-KB3	P-Q3	26	B-K3	Q-B4
3	P-Q4	PxP	27	PxP	KPxP
4	NxP	N-KB3	28	Q-KB2	BxB
5	N-QB3	N-B3	29	RxB	Q-B3
6	B-QB4	B-Q2	30	R-Q1	R-K1
7	O-O	R-B1	31	RxR+	QxR
8	B-N3	P-KN3	32	Q-N6	Q-K5
9	P-B4	B-N2	33	R-Q8+	K-N2
10	N-B3	O-O	34	Q-B2	P-B5
11	K-R1	N-QR4	35	R-Q4	Q-N8+
12	Q-K1	NxB	36	K-N2	P-B6+
13	RFxN	P-QR3	37	K-N3	Q-B4
14	B-K3	B-B3	38	P-R4	Q-K4+
15	P-K5	N-Q4	39	K-R3	P-KR4
16	NxN	BxN	40	R-Q5	Q-B3+
17	P-B4	BxN	41	R-Q4	Q-B4+
18	RxB	PxP	42	K-N3	K-R2
19	PxP	BxP	43	R-Q5	Q-N5+
20	Q-B2	Q-Q2	44	K-R2	R-K2
21	R-KB1	P-B4	45	R-Q2	K-R3
22	B-R6	KR-B2	46	R-B2	Q-K5
23	P-KN4	Q-B3	47	K-N1	Q-K8+
24	K-N1	P-K3	48	QxQ	RxQ+

MOUNTAINEER OPEN (continued)

49	K-B2	R-K7+	56	PxP	K-Q5
50	RxR	PxP	57	K-N3	K-B4
51	P-QN4	P-KN4	58	P-N6	KxP
52	PxP+	KxP	59	K-R4	K-N4
53	KxP	K-B5	60	KxP	K-N5
54	K-B2	K-K5	61	K-N4	K-N6
55	P-N5	PxP		0 - 1	

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STEPPENWOLF: GOLD  
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	1	2	3	4	TOTAL	RATING
1. W Brent Haynes	x	1	1	1	3 - 0	1291
2. Bob Bukovac	0	x	1	1	2 - 1	1389
3. Kevin D Knowles	0	0	x	1	1 - 2	1162
4. Melissa Bryant	0	0	0	x	0 - 3	—

Round 1 Bukovac-Bryant (Ruy Lopez) 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4 Ba4 b5 5 Bb3 Nf6  
 6 O-O Ne4 7 d4 Bd6 8 Re1 ed 9 Re4+ Kf8 10 Ng5 f6 11 Qf3 Bc5 12 Re1 d6 13 Qd5 Bg4 14 Qf7 Mate  
 Haynes-Knowles (Ruy Lopez) 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 Nf6 4 O-O a6 5 Ba5 b5  
 6 Bb3 Be7 7 Re1 d6 8 c3 Na5 9 Bc2 c5 10 h3 Qc7 11 d4 O-O 12 Nbd2 Rd8 13 Nf1 ed 14 cd cd  
 15 Nd4 d5 16 ed Nd5 17 Qe2 Bb7 18 Nf5 Re8 19 Qg4 g6 20 Be4 Nf6 21 Nh6+ Kg7 22 Qf3 Be4  
 23 Re4 Ne4 24 Qf7+ Kh8 25 Bf4 Qf4 26 Qf4 Rf8 27 Qe4 Rae8 28 Qg4 Kg7 29 Qd4+ Bf6 30 Qd2 Nc4  
 31 Qd7+ Kh6 32 Qc6 Bb2 33 Rb1 Bc3 34 Qa6 Nd2 35 Nd2 Bd2 36 Qb5 Re1+ 37 Re1 Be1 38 Qe2 Bf2+  
 39 Qf2 Rf2 40 Kf2 Kg5 41 a4 Black resigns

Round 2 Bryant-Haynes (Ruy Lopez) 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4 Ba4 Nf6 5 Nc3 b5  
 6 Bb3 Bb4 7 Ne2 Ne4 8 Bd5 Bc5 9 d3 Nf2 10 Rf1 Nd1 11 Kd1 Bb7 12 c3 O-O 13 d4 ed  
 14 cd Be7 15 Nc3 d6 16 Bf4 h6 17 b4 Rb8 18 Re1 Nb4 19 Bb3 Nd3 20 Re3 Nf4 21 g3 Bf3+  
 22 Ke1 Ng2+ 23 Kf1 Ne3+ 24 Kf2 Ng4+ 25 Kf3 Qd7 26 h3 Qf5+ 27 Kg2 Qf2+ White resigns  
 Knowles-Bukovac (Ruy Lopez) 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4 Bc6 dc 5 d4 Bg4  
 6 Be3 Nf6 7 Nc3 Bb4 8 O-O ed 9 Bd4 O-O 10 h3 Bf3 11 gf Nh5 12 f4 Nf4 13 Qg4 Qg5  
 14 Qg5 Nh3+ 15 Kg2 Ng5 16 Rg1 Bc3 17 Bc3 Ne4 18 Bd4 Rad8 19 c3 Rfe8 20 Kf3 Nd2+  
 21 Kf4 Re4+ 22 Kg3 Rd6 23 Kh2 Nf3+ 24 Kh1 Ng1 25 Rg1 Rh4+ 26 Kg2 Rg4+ 27 Kg1 Rg1+  
 28 Kg1 White resigns

Round 3 Bryant-Knowles (Ruy Lopez) 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4 Ba4 b5 5 Bb3 Nf6  
 6 Nc3 d5 7 d3 b4 8 Qe2 bc 9 bc Na5 10 Ba4+ Bd7 11 c4 Ba4 12 cd Nd5 13 O-O Nc3  
 14 Qe3 Bc2 15 Ne5 Qd6 16 Qf4 g6 17 Qf7\* Kd8 18 Bg5+ Be7 19 Bf4 Nb3 20 ab Bb3  
 21 Ra5 Bf7 22 Re1 Rb8 23 h3 g5 24 Bg3 Ne2+ 25 Kh2 Ng3 26 Kg3 c5 27 Re3 Qe5+  
 28 Kg4 Qf4 Mate  
 Haynes-Bukovac (Sicilian) 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cd 4 Nd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 g6  
 6 Be3 Bg7 7 f3 O-O 8 Qd2 Nc6 9 Bc4 Qc7 10 Bb3 a6 11 O-O-O Bd7 12 Nde2 b5  
 13 Bg5 Rac8 14 Bf6 ef 15 Qd6 Rfd8 16 Qc7 Rc7 17 Rd6 Be6 18 Rd8 Nd8 19 Nd5 Rb7  
 20 Rd1 Nc6 21 Nf4 Bh6 22 g3 Kg7 23 Kbl Rd7 24 Ne6+ f3 25 Nc3 Rd1+ 26 Nd1 Kf7  
 27 Nf2 Nd4 28 f4 Bf8 29 ce Nb3 30 ab Ke7 31 c4 Kd7 32 Kc2 Kc6 33 Kc3 a5 34 Ng4 Bg7  
 35 e5 f3 36 Ne5+ Kc5 37 Kd3 Be5 38 f3 h6 39 h3 g5 40 g4 bc+ 41 bc Kb4 42 Kd4 a4  
 43 Kd3 Kb3 44 c5 Kb2 45 c6 a3 46 c7 a2 47 c8=Q a1=Q 48 Qc3+ Ka2 49 Qa1+ Ka1  
 50 Kc4 Kb2 51 Kc5 Kc3 52 Kd6 Kd4 53 Ke6 Ke4 54 Kf6 Kf4 55 e6 Kg3 56 e7 Kh3