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Dear Chess Friends,

Better late than never, I always say. Please accept my apologies for the tardiness of this issue. I've got lots of excuses, but no really valid ones. Consequently, I will spare you!

This issue covers the time period up to the Fairmont Open in late July. That tournament and subsequent one will have to be covered in the next issue.

Note should be taken that the W.V.C.A. does not boycott tournaments or directors. Commentary to the contrary in the last issue were the opinion of the editor, Terry Riley. There is a controversy there and we are seeking amicable resolution.

Thanks go to Terry Riley for doing a fine job as Bulletin Editor during his half year. I only wish I had been as energetic! Thanks go also to Don Griffith, Dennis Funkhouser, Mark Hathaway, Dan O'Hanlon, Dave Iorio, and John Homer for material in this issue. I believe I have published all I have received. If I have overlooked or lost something it was not intentional.

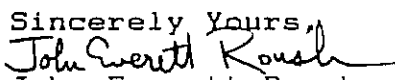
Sincerely Yours,

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Charleston Chess Club Championship

FUNKHOUSER GRABS TITLE!

Dennis Funkhouser won the Charleston Chess Club title for the 1991 year with a score of 7-1. This is the second year in a row that the tall man has cast his long shadow over the field. This year nine players battled through the late winter and early spring months in this annual slugfest.

John Roush finished second with a score of 6.5-1.5 and Jim Walker finished close behind at 6-2. In something of an upset, Gary "Boris" Morris edged out Donald Griffith for fourth place with a score of 5-3. Donald ended the tourney with a disappointing record of 4.5-3.5.

As there were many postponed games, it makes little sense to attempt to give the games in a chronological order or by round. Consequently, we start our coverage with the three key games of the winner, Herr Funkhouser. We will then give you a generous sampling of the rest of the fields efforts and a crosstable at the end.

Our first game is Funkhouser-Griffith. Prior to this game the race for first had developed into a two horse affair. Roush had finished the tournament with a score of 6.5-1.5. Funkhouser was 6-1 with his game with Griffith left to contest. It doesn't take a math whiz to figure out the impact of this game. A loss meant relegation to second, a draw meant a tie for first, and a win meant the blue ribbon!

Funkhouser (CM) - Griffith (CM)

Slav Defense

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 (The normal move at this juncture is 4.Nf3. However, Black can then steer the game toward the Semi-Slav with 4...e6. If then 5.Bg5 dxc4 6.e4 b5, we have the sharp Anti-Meran Gambit. If instead 5.e3 Nbd7 6.Bd3 dxc4 7.Bxc4 b5, we have the Meran which also leads to sharp play. With 4.Bg5 White avoids those possibilities. If now 4...e6 5.e3 leads to the Queen's Gambit Declined. By playing Bg5 and e3 before playing Nf3 White has managed to develop his QB outside the pawn-chain and protect his c-pawn.) 4...dxc4 5.a4 Bf5?! (Better alternatives include 5...Na6 and 5...Nd5 [EC0 "D" 10] After the move played White ruins Black's pawn structure, creates a big pawn center, and regains the gambit pawn.) 6.Bxf6 exf6 (6....gxf6 is to be considered. 7.e4 Bg6 8.Bxc4 Nd7 9.Nf3 Bh6 10.h4 Bh5 11.Qd3 Bxf3 12.gxf3 still looks +=. Naturally, both sides could easily deviate from the given line of play.) 7.e4 Bg6 8.Bxc4 Bb4 9.f3 0-0 10.Nge2 Nd7 11.0-0 Qc7 (11...f5 12.e5 Nb6 13.Bb3 Bxc3 14.bxc3 [14.Nxc3 f4!? 15.Qd2 Qg5 16.Ne2 Rad8 and the

threats of ...Qxe5 and after 17.Qxf4 Qxf4 18.Nxf4 Rxd4 give Black counterplay.] 14...Nd5 15.f4! b5!?! 16.axb5 cxb5 and Black's game is still shaky although counterplay would exist after 16.c4 bxc4 17.Bxc4 Qd7 with the idea of ...Kh8 and ...f6) 12.Qb3 Be7 (12...a5!?! 13.d5?! Nc5 or Ne5) 13.Rad1 Rac8 14.Kh1 Nb6 15.Bd3 c5 16.a5! Nd7 (16...c4 17.axb6 axb6 18.Qb5 cxd3 19.Qxd3 +-) 17.Nd5 Qd6 (17...c4 18.Bxc4 Qxc4 19.Qxc4 Rxc4 20.Nxe7+ +-) 18.Bb5 cxd4 19.Bxd7 Qxd7 20.Rxd4 Rfd8 21.Nxf3+ Bxf3 22.Rxd7 Rxd7 23.Nf4 (The N heads to d5 where it dominates the board and threatens the B at f6) 23...Rd7 24.Qxb7 Rcc2 25.Qb8+ Rd8 (25...Bd8 26.Nd5!) 26.Qxa7 Rxb2 27.Nd5 Bg5 28.h3 h6 29.Qd4! (The threat is 30.f4 Bh4 31.g3 Bxg3 32.Ne7+) 29...Rd7 30.Qb4 Ra7 31.f4 Re7 (31...Bh4 32.g3 Bxg3 33.Ne7+ Kh8 34.Nxg6+ fxg6 35.Qb3 Rxh2+ 36.Kg1 +-) 32.fxq4 Rxe4 33.Qb7 Rde8 34.gxh6 Re2 35.hxq7+ Kxq7 36.Nf4 Be4 37.Qd7 Re7 38.Qg4+ 1-0

Our next game, Walker-Funkhouser, was also very important. Had Walker won the game, he would have finished first and Funkhouser would have dropped to third.

Walker (CM) - Funkhouser (CM)

Dutch Defense

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 f5!? 4.Nf3 Nf6 5.Bg5!?! (Most of us prefer 5.g3 c6 6.Bg2 Bd6 7.0-0 0-0 when the QB will prove usefull in contesting e5 at f4 or at b2 after 7.b3.) 5...c6 6.e3 Bd6 7.Bd3 (When White opts for this setup, Black usually avoids the Stonewall and plays a la Nimzo-Indian with ...Bb4 and/or ...b6,..Bb7. Here Black has already committed to the Stonewall on move 3. It is difficult to judge whether e3,Bd3 is better or worse than g3,Bg2 in these circumstances. Perhaps it is merely another way of playing the game.) 7...0-0 8.Qc2 h6 9.Bh4 (9.Bf4 Bxf4 10.gxf4 and White's control of e5 seems to tilt the game in his favor. If 10...dxc4!?! 11.Bxc4 Kh8 12.Rd1 White stands better. If instead 10...Nbd7 11.cxd5 cxd5 12.0-0 also appears +=. Perhaps best for Black is 10...Ne4 11.cxd5 exd5!?! although 12.0-0 with the idea of Ne5 and/or Rb1,b4-b5 still seems to grant White some edge.) 9...Na6 10.a3 Bd7 11.Bg3 (At last White opposes the B at d6. By doing so with Bg6 rather than with Bf4 as previously suggested, White obtains a "prettier" pawn structure but has less control of e5. Plusses and minuses, the soul of chess!!) 11...Bxq3 12.hxq3 Ne4 13.Bxe4 fxe4 14.Ne5 b5 15.c5 b4 16.Ne2 bxa3 17.bxa3 Be8 18.0-0 Qc7 19.Nf4 (+=) Bf7 20.Qa4? (20.Qc3 g5!?! 21.Ne2 Bh5 22.g4! [Probably on the agenda even if Black forgoes ...Bh5] 22...Be8 23.Ng3 with the idea of 24.f3 exf3 25.gxf3 with Kg2, Rh1, and e4 to follow. White would continue to hold the whip.) 20...Nxc5! 21.Qc2 Nd7 22.Qc6 g5 23.Nc6 g5 24.Ne2 Bh5 25.Nc3 Kq7 (25...Rac8? 26.Ne7+) 26.Nb5 Be2 27.Rfb1 Bd3 28.Rb2 Bb5 (Achieving the strategic goal of the B for the nimble N.) 29.Rxb5 Rac8 30.Na7?! (As Bob Bukovac commented, this sends the N to the glue factory.) 30...Rc7 31.Ra5 Rc2 32.Rf1 Nf6 33.Rc5 Ra2 34.Rc3 Nq4

35.f3 exf3 36.gxf3 Nf6 37.Nc6 Rc8 38.Rf2 Ra1+ 39.Kg2 g4!
40.R2c2 gxf3+ 41.Kf3 Ne4 42.Rb3 Rf8+ 43.Kq2 Rff1 (-+)
44.a4 Rg1+ 45.Kh2 Rh1+ 46.Kq2 Raq1+ 47.Kf3 Rq3+ 48.Ke2
Rq2+ 0-1

The last of our featured games is Roush-Funkhouser. The loss of this game early in the tournament put Funkhouser in the do-or-die position we have described in the two previous games. Consequently this game set up much of the drama of the other games.

Roush (NM) - Funkhouser (CM)

Queens Gambit Declined: Tarrasch Defense

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 c5 4.cxd5 exd5 5.Nf3 Nf6 6.g3 Nc6
7.Bq2 cxd4!? (More usual is 8...Be7. The text is a bit too committal.) 8.Nxd4 Be7 9.0-0 0-0 10.b3 Be6 11.Bb2 Qd7
12.Rc1 Rac8 13.e3 Bq4!? (Interesting! Black provokes a weakness at e3 by luring the f-pawn forward.) 14.f3 Bh3
15.Nce2 Bxg2 16.Kxg2 Rfe8! (Black's main source of counterplay is the e-file and the weakened White pawn at e3. He needs to start pressuring this pawn.) 17.a3 (In order to play Qd2 without the annoying reply ...Bb4)
17...a6 18.Qd2 Bd8!? (This move met the approval of most of the spectators. The idea is to activate the B on the a7-g1 diagonal. I prefer ...Bf8 which prevents Whites next manover.) 19.Nxc6! (Usually the N is a superior blockader to the B. However, in this position the B on d4 paralyzes Black's entire Q-side, eyes the Black K-side, and protects White's weakpoint at e3.) 19...bxc6 20.Bd4 (Note that if Black had played ...Bf8 instead of ...Bd8 the pawn at a3 would now be hanging.) 20...Qb7 21.b4 (+) 21...Bb6 22.Rc3
c5? (Simply a blunder which loses a pawn and sours Black's whole game. Better is 22...Nd7 with the idea of ...Re7, ...Rae8, and ...Bxd4, ...Nb6-c4. In the alternative, Black can also try 22...a5, but after 23.Rb1 White retains the advantage.) 23.Bxc5 Bxc5 24.bxc5 g5 25.Qd4 Qe7 26.g4 Rc6
27.Nq3 Qe5 28.Nf5 (28.Qxe5 Bxe5 29.Nf5 Nd7 30.Rfc1 +- may be more accurate.) 28...h5 (28...Qc7 29.Nd6 Re6 30.Rfc1 Nd7 31.Qxd5 Nxc5 32.Rxc5 a.32...Rcxd6 33.Qxg5+ Rg6 34.Qxg6+ fxg6 35.Rxc2 +-; b.32...Qxd6 33.Qxg5+ Rg6 34.Qd5 +-; c.32...Rexd6 33.Rxc6 +-)
29.Qxe5 Rxe5 30.Nd4 Rc7 31.gxh5 (Splits the pawns but wins time by luring the N to edge of the board.) 31...Nhx5 32.Rb1 g4 33.f4 Re4 (Threatening ...Nxf4+ and ...Rxd4) 34.Rd1 Nf6 35.c6 Re8
36.Rb3 Ne4 37.Rb7 Rxb7 38.cxb7 Nc5 39.Nf5 Nb7 40.Rd5 Re6
41.Kq3 Rb6 42.Kxg4 Rb3 43.Rd7 Nc5 44.Rc7 Ne6 45.Nh6+ Kq7
46.Nf5+?! (46.Rxf7+! Kg6 47.f5+ Kxh6 48.Rf6+ Kg7 49.Rxe6 Rxa6 50.Kg5 Kf7 51.h4 +-) 46...Kf6 47.Ra7 Rxa3 48.Nd6 Nc5
49.e4 Ra4 50.e5+ Ke6 51.Nf7 Nd3 52.Ng4+ Kd5 53.Rd7+ Kc4
54.e6 Nc5 55.Rc7 Kd5 56.Rxc5+ (Simplest) 56...Kxc5 57.d7
Kd6 58.d8=Q Rf4+ 59.Kf4 1-0

That's how the fight for first went. Of course, as we all know, the fight for fifth place (or simply to avoid last place) is often as fierce as the fight for first.

Here are a selection of games which may not have decided first, but certainly decided the fate of the players.

Morris (B) - Michael (B)

Slav Defense

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 (See Funkhouser-Griffith for commentary on this move.) 4...Bf5?! (Better is 4...e6 or 4...dxc4) 5.Qb3 Qc7 (5...dxc4?! 6.Qxb7 Qxd5 is interesting. Amazingly enough, Black seems o.k. after 7.Qxa1?! Qb6 8.Rc1 e6 9.Be3 Qxb2 10.Qxa7 Ne4 11.Nxe4 Bb4+ [11...Bxe4 12.f3! Bb4+ 13.Kf2 +-] 12.Kd1 Bxe4! [12...0-0?! 13.Qd4! Qxd4 14.Bxd4 Rd8 15.e3 Bxe4 16.f3 Bg6 17.Bxc4 c5 18.Ke2 cxd5 19.exd5 Rxd5 20.Bb5 +=) 13.Qxb8+ Ke7 14.Qc7+ Kf6 15.Qf4+ Ke7 16.Qg5+ Kd7 17.Nf3 Rd8 18.Nd2 f6 [18...Ke7 19.Qxd8+ Kxd8 20.Nxe4 c3] 19.Qxg7+ Kc8 20.Qh6 c3! -+.

However, simply 7.Be3! is excellant for White. If 7...Qd7 8.Qxa1 or 7...Qd6 8.Rd1 or 7...Qe5 8.Nf3 White walks home.) 6.cxd5 Ne4 7.Nxe4 Bxe4 8.dxc6 Nxc6 9.Rc1 e6 10.f3 Bd5 11.Qc3? Qb6! (The threat is ...Bb4!) 12.a3 Qxd5 13.Qxd5 Nxd5 14.e4 Bc6 15.Be3 Rd8 16.b4 Be7 17.Ne2 Bf6 (18...Nxe2 is o.k.) 18.Nxd4! Bxd4 19.Bxd4 Rxd4 20.b5 Bd7 21.Rc7 Ra4 22.Rxb7 Ke7 23.b6 a6?! (23...axb6!? 24.Bb5 Rd4 25.Ke2 Rd8 26.Rc1 e5 27.Rcc2 Rd6 and Black threatens to disentangle with 28...Ke8) 24.Kf2 (+-) 24...Rxa3 25.Be2 Rc8 26.Rd1 Rd8 27.Ra7 Ke8 28.b7? (28.Bxa6 seems to win at once with the threat of Raxd7 and Bb5. If 28...Bc6 29.Bb5! Rc3 30.Rxd8+ Kxd8 31.Rc7 Rc2+ 32.Ke3 Bxe4 33.Rd7+ and 34.Kxe4 win easily.) 28...Rb3 29.Bxa6 Rb2 30.Kq3 Rb6 31.Ra8 Ke7 32.Kc1 Kd6 33.Rxd8 Rxa6 34.b8=Q+ 1-0 (time)

Morris (B) - Walker (CM)

Sicilian Defense

1.d4 c5 2.Nf3 cxd4 3.Nxd4 Nc6 4.e4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e6 6.Be3 Bb4 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 d5 9.a3 Qa5 10.Nxc6 bxc6 11.Bd4 dxe4 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.fxe4 Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Qxc3+ 15.bxc3 Rd8 16.Bd3 Kf8 (Perhaps better is 16...c5 17.Rb1 Rd7 18.Ke2 [18.Kxd2? c4] Rb7 19.Rxb7 bxb7 20.Rb1 Bc6 which slightly favors Black.) 17.Rf1?! (No action here! White ought to try and put both R's on the b-file.) 17...Ke7 18.Rb1 Rg8 19.g3 Rg5 20.Kd2 Ra5 21.Rb3 Bd7 22.Rf4 Rh5 23.Rf2 Rd8 24.Rb7 (White needs to coordinate his pieces. We suggest 24.Ke3 Ra5 25.Bf1 with the idea of Rd2) 24...Ra5 25.Rb3 c5 26.e5? (26.Ke3 was necessary although the game already seems to have swung in Black's favor. If 26...Rc8 27.c4 is ghastly and 27.Bxc4 Ra4 is even worse.) 26...fxe5 27.Bxh7 Ba4+ 0-1

Roush (NM) - Griffith (CM)

Queens Gambit Declined: Exchange Variation

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 e6 5.cxd5 exd5 6.Bg5 Be7 7.Qc2 0-0 8.e3 Ne4 9.Bxe7 Qxe7 10.Bd3 Re8 (10...f5 11.Ne5 is more consistent.) 11.0-0 Nbd7 12.Rae1 b6 13.Nd2 Ndf6 14.f3 Nxc3 15.bxc3 c5 16.e4 Bb7 (16...c4 17.Be2 dxe4 18.dxe4 Nxe4? 19.Bxc4 [+ -] Nxd2?! 20.Bxf7+ K moves 21.Qxd2) 17.e5 Nh5 18.Bxh7+ (Better is 18.f4 g6 19.f5 c4

20.Be2 +-) 18...Kh8 19.Bd3 cxd4 20.cxd4 Qg5 21.f4
 (Funkhouser believes the counter-sacrifice of a pawn was unnecessary. He suggests 21.Rf2 Nf4 22.Kh1 +=) 21...Nxf4 22.Nf3 Qg4 23.Bf5 Rac8! 24.Bxq4! Rxc2 25.q3 Ne6 26.Rf2 Rec8 27.Bxe6 fxe6 28.Ng5 Kq8 29.Nxe6 Rxf2 30.Kxf2 Kf7 31.Nf4 q5 32.e6+ Kf6 33.Nh5+ Ke7 34.Kf3 Rc4 35.Ng7 Bc8 36.Nf5+ Kf6 37.e7! (+-)37...Bd7 38.Nd6 Rc4c3+ 39.Kf2 Rc2+ 40.Kq1 Rxa2 41.e8=Q Bxe8 42.Nxe8+ Kf7 43.Nc7 Rd2 44.Re5 Rxd4 45.Rxq5 a5 46.Nxd5 Rd1+ 47.Kq2 b5 48.Nc7 Rd2+ 49.Kh3 b4 50.Rxa5 b3 51.Rb5 b2 52.Rb3 Kf6 53.Na6 Kf5 54.Nc5 1-0

Patterson (E) - Graham (C)

Modern Defense: Joey's Variation

1.e4 g6 2.Nc3 Bq7 3.Nf3 d6 4.Bc4 Bq4? 5.0-0 (5.Bxf7+! Kxf7 6.Ng5+ K any 7.Qxg4 +-) 5...Nbd7 6.h3 Bxf3 7.Qxf3 Ne5 8.Qe2 e6 9.d4 Nxc4 10.Qxc4 Ne7 11.Bf4 0-0 (Black has a constricted, yet solid setup.) 12.Rad1 Nc6 13.d5 Ne5 14.Bxe5 Bxe5 15.f4 Bq7 16.Rfe1 Rc8 17.Re3 c6 18.dxe6 c5 19.exf7+ Rxf7 20.e5 Kh8? 21.Qxf7 and 1-0 in 33.

Griffith (CM) - Graham (C)

Ruy Lopez: Bird's Defense

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Nd4 4.Nxd4 exd4 5.0-0 Bc5 6.c3 Ne7 7.b4 Bb6 8.Bb2 c6 9.Bc4 d5 10.exd5 dxc3 11.Nxc3 0-0 12.Qf3 Qd6 13.a3 Ng6 14.Ne4 Qe7 15.Rae1 Ne5 16.Qq3 f6? 17.d6+ Qf7 18.Bxf7+ and 1-0 in 27.

Canary (B) - Patterson (E)

Colle Opening

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 d5 3.e3 c5 4.c3 e6 5.Bd3 (Both Canary and Walker used the Colle to good effect in this tournament. In addition to winning this game, Canary used this opening to draw Roush and obtain a highly interesting position against Funkhouser.) 5...c4? (Releasing the pressure against d4 plays right into White's hands.) 6.Bc2 Nc6 7.Nbd2 Bd6 8.e4 Nxe4 9.Nxe4 dxe4 10.Bxe4 (+) 10...Bd7 11.0-0 0-0 12.Qe2 f5? 13.Bc2 b5 14.a4 a6 15.Bg5 Qc7 16.Bd2 Rfe8 17.b4 Rad8 18.axb5 axb5 19.Ra6 Rda8 20.Rfa1 Rxa6 21.Rxa6 Bc8 22.Ra5? (Too speculative) 22...Nxa5 23.bxa5 Qxa5? (23...Bd7! Now Black's K-side will fall prey to White's Q and minor pieces.) 24.Bxf5 Qd8 25.Bc2 Bb7 26.Ng5 Bd5 (26...h6 27.Bh7+ Kh8 28.Nf7+ or 27...Kf8 28.Nxe6+ win easily.) 27.Bxh7+ Kf8 28.Qh5 Re7 29.Bc2! 1-0 as there is no defense to 30.Qh8 mate except 29...Rf7 which allows 30.Qxf7 mate.

Roush (NM) - Morris (B)

Benko Gambit

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 b5 4.Nf3 bxc4 5.Nc3 Bb7 6.e4 d6 7.Bxc4 q6 8.Qa4+ ?! (White tries to punish Black for committing the B to b7 too early. It doesn't quite work, though, so 0-0 and Qe2 look better.) 8...Nfd7! 9.e5 dxe5 10.Nxe5 Bg7 11.Bf4 0-0 12.Nc6 Nxc6 13.dxc6 Nb6! 14.Qb5 Bxc6 15.Qxc6 Nxc4 16.0-0 Nxb2 17.Nd5 (White is in some difficulties. He now tries to prove that the B, N, and Q

in the center can tie Black down.) 17...Nd3 18.Bc7 Qe8
19.Rad1 Nb2 (19...Qxc6 20.Nxe7+ Kh8 21.Nxc6 Rfc8 leaves
 Black up a pawn with the better position.) 20.Qxc5 (White
 is unwilling to give Black a second chance at a Q swap and
 so sacrifices the exchange. All hope is now with his
 centralised minor pieces.) 20...Nxd1 21.Nxe7+ Kh8 22.Rfxd1
Qa4! 23.Qd5! Rfe8 24.g3 Bf8 (24...Rxe7? 25.Qxa8+) 25.Be5+
Bg7 26.Bc7 Bf8 27.Be5+ Bg7 15-5 White shies away from
 28.f4!?. If 28...Rad8 29.Qxd8! Bxe5! 30.Qd5 Rxe7 31.fxe4
 White's o.k. , but 28...f6 29.Ba1 Qa3 30.Nc6 looks
 uninviting.

Funkhouser (CM) - Michael (B)

Queens Gambit Declined

1.d4 e6 2.c4 (Sorry, Dave! No French Defense today!)

2...d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e3 h6 6.Bf4 (...and no
 Tartokover Variations are on the menu either. Michael, a
 known practitioner, no doubt intended 6.Bh4 Q-Q 7.Nf3 b6
 with a transposition to that line.) 6...Bd6 (Black could
 not take a whack at the center with ...c5 because 7.Nb5
 forces the inconvenient ...Na6.) 7.Nge2 dxc4 8.Qa4+ Bd7
9.Qxc4 Bc6 10.Nb5 Q-Q 11.Nxd6 cxd6 12.Nc3 a6 13.Be2 g5
14.Bg3 Bxg2 15.Rg1 Bc6 16.f4 Nd5 17.Qd3 Nb4 18.Qd2 f5
19.fxg5 hxg5 20.Bh4 Qe8 21.Rg5+ Kh7 22.Q-Q-Q Rg8 23.Rh5+
Kg7 24.e4 Rh8 25.Qg5+ Qg6 26.Qe7+ 1-0

Name	Rating	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
1. J. E. Roush	2235	x	W	W	D	W	D	D	W	W	6.5
2. D. Funkhouser	2175	L	x	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	7.0
3. D. W. Griffith	2124	L	L	x	D	WF	D	D	W	W	4.5
4. J. M. Walker	2117	D	L	D	x	W	W	W	WF	W	6.0
5. D. G. Michael	1729	L	L	LF	L	x	L	L	LF	W	1.0
6. R. Canary	1736	D	L	D	L	W	x	L	W	W	4.0
7. G. L. Morris	1663	D	L	D	L	W	W	x	W	W	5.0
8. L. K. Graham	1426	L	L	L	LF	WF	L	L	x	L	1.0
9. J. P. Patterson	1149	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	W	x	1.0

The tournament was ably directed by Dennis Funkhouser and took place each Tuesday from February 5, 1991 through April 26, 1991 at St. John's Episcopal Church in Charleston.

- Q. How many Joe Barker's does it take to change a light bulb?
 A. Just one to hold the light bulb still while the world revolves around him.

FAIRMONT TWIN TORNADO IV

Dolgovskij and Felton Triumph!

On February 9th and 10th, 1991 the Fairmont State College Association held another of its specialities: the twin tornado. As indicated, Connie Dolgovskij won the first day's event with a score of 3.5-.5 and Mike Felton copped the honors on the second day with the same score. Lawrence Iorio directed both events.

We present a game from day two. The crosstables will appear on the following page.

D.Iorio (B)- Baker (C)

Four Knights Game

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nc3 Nc6 4.Bb5 d6 5.d4 exd4 6.Nxd4 Bd7
7.Nxc6 bxc6 8.Bc4 Qe7 (Preference should have been given to 8...Be7) 9.0-0! (Now either 9...Nxe4 or 9...d5 will lose to a pin on the e-file with Re1) 9...g6 10.Bg5 Bg7
11.Qf3 (Better is 11.f4 0-0 12.Qf3 with Rael and e5 to follow.) 11....0-0 12.Rfe1 h6 13.Bxf6 Qxf6 14.Qxf6 Bxf6 =
15.Re3 Rfe8 16.Rae1 Be6 17.Bxe6 Rxe6 18.Rd3?! d5 19.f3 Rb8
20.b3 Bxc3 21.Rxc3 Rbe8 22.Kf2 dxe4? (This leaves Black with terrible pawns.) 23.Rxe4 Kf8 24.Rce3 (Perhaps it would be better to try and retain one R to try and exploit Black's weakened pawn structure.) 24...Rxe4 25.Rxe4 Rxe4
26.fxe4 Ke7 27.Ke3 Kd6 28.Kd4 f6 29.b4 a6 30.g4 Ke6 31.Kc5
Ke5 32.Kxc6 Kxe4 33.Kxc7 f5 34.qxf5 gxf5 35.c4 f4 36.b5
axb5 37.cxb5 f3 38.b6 f2 39.b7 f1=Q 40.b8=Q Qc4+ 41.Kb7
Qxa2 (Is there anybody in the world who truly enjoys playing Q endings?) 42.Qe8+ Kf5 43.Qh5+ Ke4 44.Qxh6 Qd5+
45.Kc7 Qf7+ 46.Kd6 Qf4+ .5-.5 A nice fight! Black did play just a little bit too passive in the opening and White should have gotten more out of his position. The only method to do so which comes to mind is the one outlined in the note above to White's 11th move.

"You may learn much more from a game you lose than from a game you win. You will have to lose hundreds of games before becoming a good player." -J.R.Capablanca

THE CHESS COMPANION, I.Chernev
Simon and Schuster, 1968

The way he plays chess demonstrates a man's whole nature. - Stanley Ellin

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Fairmont Twin Tornado IV - Day 1

	PLAYER	ST	PRE		POST				TOT
			RTNG	RTNG	1	2	3	4	
1	DOLGOVSKIJ, KONSTA	WV	1901	1938	W15	W-3	D-5	W-2	3.5
2	MARTIN, J GREG	PA	1920	1933	W11	W-8	W-6	L-1	3.0
3	HOUGH, DOUGLAS F	PA	1916	1910	W13	L-1	W14	W-9	3.0
4	FELTON, MICHAEL B	WV	1805/6	1835	W16	L-5	W13	W-8	3.0
5	HOHN, JEFF E	WV	1957	1951	D-7	W-4	D-1	D-6	2.5
6	GIKAS, JAMES	WV	1880	1891	W14	W12	L-2	D-5	2.5
7	PARKER, JAY K	PA	1592	1644	D-5	W10	L-8	W12	2.5
8	CHAFFIN, BARRY	WV	1898	1878	W-9	L-2	W-7	L-4	2.0
9	HOLSBERRY, RICHARD	WV	1691	1706	L-8	W11	W12	L-3	2.0
10	BUTCHER, MARKLE W	WV	1588	1581	L12	L-7	W15	W14	2.0
11	MORAN, ROBBIE W	WV	1314	1337	L-2	L-9	W16	W13	2.0
12	HINES, DAVID F	WV	1976	1975	W10	L-6	L-9	L-7	1.0
13	CLINE, JERRY A	MD	1461	1440	L-3	W15	L-4	L11	1.0
14	BADILLOS, ANGEL S	WV	1429/4	1416	L-6	W16	L-3	L10	1.0
15	PHILLIPS, MATT	WV	1157/15	1186	L-1	L13	L10	W16	1.0
16	RILEY, MD SCOTT A	WV	0	1053	L-4	L14	L11	L15	.0

Fairmont Twin Tornado IV - Day 2

	PLAYER	ST	PRE		POST				TOT
			RTNG	RTNG	1	2	3	4	
1	FELTON, MICHAEL B	WV	1835/10	1908	W-8	W10	W-2	D-3	3.5
2	MARTIN, J GREG	PA	1933	1944	W14	W13	L-1	W-5	3.0
3	BUVIT, TIMOTHY F	PA	1893	1939	H--	W-4	W-9	D-1	3.0
4	BIERCE, RANDY E	WV	1961	1938	D-7	L-3	W-8	W-6	2.5
5	DOLGOVSKIJ, KONSTA	WV	1938	1940	W12	D-9	W11	L-2	2.5
6	HOLSBERRY, RICHARD	WV	1706	1708	L-9	W14	W13	L-4	2.0
7	IORIO, DAVID M	WV	1679	1688	D-4	L11	D15	W12	2.0
8	DELERUYELLE, GREG	WV	1354	1378	L-1	B--	L-4	W14	2.0
9	HINES, DAVID F	WV	1975	1975	W-6	D-5	L-3	U--	1.5
10	GIKAS, JAMES	WV	1891	1880	W15	L-1	D12	U--	1.5
11	CHAFFIN, BARRY	WV	1878	1872	H--	W-7	L-5	U--	1.5
12	BUTCHER, MARKLE W	WV	1581	1592	L-5	W15	D10	L-7	1.5
13	MORAN, ROBBIE W	WV	1337	1342	B--	L-2	L-6	D15	1.5
14	SHULTZ, ROBERT D	NY	1589	1549	L-2	L-6	B--	L-8	1.0
15	BAKER, JOSEPH MICH	WV	1575	1550	L10	L12	D-7	D13	1.0

HINES AND MAIER SHARE FIRST

Dave Hines and Robert Maier finished in a dead heat with 3-1 records at this small but strong tournament. Mike Baker provided the directorial duties. This event was held in Morgantown, West Virginia on March 9, 1991.

Auvil (CM) - Hines (A)

Sicilian Defense

1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.Nf3 (This is the move order used by Morphy when faced with the Sicilian. If Black tries to hold the pawn with 3...e5, White gets a wonderful game with 4.c3!, a sort of improved Smith-Morra. Incidentally, 4.Nxe5 loses to 4...Qa5+! and 5...Qxe5.) 3...d6 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Bc4 q6 7.Nxc6 bxc6 8.e5 Nd7 9.e6 fxe6 10.Bxe6 Nf6 11.Qe2 Bxe6 12.Qxe6 Qd7 13.Qe2 Bq7 14.0-0 0-0 15.Bq5 h6 16.Bh4 Rb8 17.b3 Rfd8 18.Rad1 q5 19.Bq3 h5 20.Rfe1 h4 21.Be5 Qf5 22.Bd4 c5 23.Bxf6 Bxf6 24.Nd5 Be5 25.Rd3? .5-.5

I've played this game over three times and I still don't see why White didn't simply play 25.Nxe7+ and 26.Nxf5. Is this a typo or are those rascally Morgantown lads just trying to see if any one actually looks at the game scores? Please clear up the mystery fellows!

			PRE		POST								
	PLAYER		ST	RTNG	RTNG	1	2	3	4	5	6	TOT	
1	HINES, DAVID F		WV	1975	1982	*	U	D	W	W	D	3.0	
2	MAIER, JR ROBERT W	W	WV	1740	1777	U	*	W	L	W	W	3.0	
3	AUVIL, TERRY N		WV	2079	2060	D	L	*	U	W	W	2.5	
4	CADY, DANNY R		WV	1921	1891	L	W	U	*	L	W	2.0	
5	BUTCHER, MARKLE W	W	WV	1592	1619	L	L	L	W	*	W	2.0	
6	BAKER, JOSEPH MICH	WV	WV	1550	1548	D	L	L	L	L	*	.5	

TIED PLAYERS ARE LISTED IN ORDER OF PRE-TOURNAMENT RATINGS
W-WIN, L-LOSS, D-DRAW, X-FORFEIT WIN, F-FORFEIT LOSS
Z-FORFEIT DRAW, H-1/2 FT BYE, B-BYE, U-UNPLAYED

Q. What is the difference between the Kings Indian Defense and the Bogo-Indian Defense?

A. In the Kings Indian Defense you fianchetto your Kings Bishop, then make it bad, then exchange it. In the Bogo-Indian Defense you skip the first two steps and exchange the Kings Bishop straightaway.

Fairmont Twin Tornado V

HOUGH, THEN BUTCHER, THEN PRAY FOR RAIN!

Doug Hough captured first on April 6, 1991, then gave way to the amazing Markle Butcher on April 7, 1991. Both gentleman scored 3.5-.5 on their respective days of glory. However, while Hough was near the top both days, Markle pulled a tremendous turnaround. On day 1 he finished next to last, then finished on top of the heap on day 2!!

Mr. Butcher also acted as TD in between dragging bottom and flying high. We present three of his efforts from his second day romp. Crosstables from both days will follow the games.

Martin (A) - Butcher (C)

Queen Pawn Game

1.d4 q6 2.g3 Nf6 3.Bq2 Bq7 4.e4 d6 5.Ne2 0-0 6.0-0 Nbd7
7.f4 e6 8.Nbc3 a6 9.f5 exf5 10.exf5 Nb6 11.fxq6 fxq6
12.Bq5 d5 13.Qc1 Qd6 14.Bh6 Bf5 15.Bxq7 Kxq7 16.Nf4 Rae8
17.Ncd1 Nc4 18.b3 Na3 19.Ne3? Rxe3 20.Qxe3 Nxc2 21.Qc3
Nxa1 22.Rxa1 Ne4 23.Qb2 c6 24.b4 Re8 25.a4 Qf6 26.b5 a5
27.bxc6 Qxc6 28.Qb5 Qc3 29.Qxb7+ Kh6 30.Ra2 Qxd4+ 31.Kf1
Qd1 mate 0-1

Butcher (C) - Bierce (A)

Caro-Kann Defense

1.e4 c6 2.Nf3 Na6 (In these days when Irregular Openings are instead labeled as Dynamic Openings, I haven't the guts to adorn 2...Na6 with a "?". I will content myself with commenting that most of us would still prefer the old 2...d5!) 3.d4 d5 4.exd5! cxd5 5.Be2 (5.Bxa6? Qa5+ and ...Qxa6 give Black a good game. Instead of the text, White might try 5.c3 which threatens both Bxa6 and Bd3.) 5...Nf6 6.Nc3?! (6.c3 is preferable.) 6...Nc7?! (Why not 6...Bf5? If 7.Bxa6 bxa6 8.0-0 e6 9.Nh4?! Bg4 10.Qd3 Qb6 and Black will play ...Bd6,...0-0, ...Rab8, and ...Rfc8. The 2 Bishops and the play on the b and c files should compensate Black for his shattered pawns.) 7.0-0 q6 8.Bf4 Bq7 9.Be5 0-0 10.Qd2 Ne4 11.Qe3 f6? 12.Bxc7 Qxc7 13.Nxd5 Qd6 (13...Qxc2 14.Bd3 +-) 14.Bc4 (Also possible was 14.Qxe4 Bf5 15.Nxe7+ and 16.Nxf5 +-) 14...e6 15.Qxe4 f5 16.Qf4 Qd7 17.Nc7 Qc6 18.d5 Qc5 19.Nxa8 exd5 (One must give credit to Randy's mental toughness. The temptation to resign at this point must have been overpowering.) 20.Bb3 Bxb2 21.Rad1 Be6 22.Nc7 Bf7 23.Nxd5 Re8 24.Qc7 Qa3 25.Ng5
1-0

Hough (A) - Butcher (C)

Kings Indian Attack

1.Nf3 q6 2.g3 d5 3.Bq2 Bq7 4.d3 Nf6 5.Nbd2 0-0 6.0-0 c5
7.e4 Nc6 8.Qe2 d4 (Murky!) 9.h3 Nh5 10.Nb3 b6 (It looks dangerous to weaken this diagonal, but I see no way to take advantage of it. If 11.g4 Nf6 12.e5 Nd5 seems to hold up.) 11.Kh2 Qc7 12.Nh4 e5 13.Bf3 Nf6 14.a4 a5! 15.Nd2 Ba6

16.Bq2 Nb4 17.Ndf3 c4 18.Ne1 cxd3 19.cxd3 Nd7 20.Bd2 Nc6
 21.Rc1 Nc5 22.Nhf3 Nxa4 23.b4 b5 24.bxa5 Qd6 25.Nc2 Nc3
 26.Qe1 b4 27.Bxc3 bxc3 28.Qd1 Nxa5 29.Ra1 Nb3 30.Ra3 Rfb8
 31.Rxb3 Rxb3 32.Ncxd4 exd4 33.Qxb3 Bxd3 34.Re1 Rb8
 35.Qa2 Be5 36.Ng5 Qc7 37.f4? (Loses further material, but
 White is lost in any case.) 37...Bc4 38.Qa1 Bxf4 39.qxf4
 Qxf4+ 40.Kh1 Qxg5 41.Qa7 Qe5 42.Qa4 Bb5 43.Qa2 Qg3 44.Rb1
 Qd6 45.Re1 Qc5 46.Bf1 d3 47.Qh2 Rb6 48.Ra1 Bc6 49.Bxd3 Qe3
 50.Rd1 Qf3+ 0-1 Markle handled the Q-side initiative with
 great energy. This was a very enjoyable game for a Kings
 Indian hater like myself to play over.

Fairmont Twin Tornado V - Day 1

	PLAYER	ST	PRE	POST	1	2	3	4	TOT
			RTNG	RTNG					
1	HOUGH, DOUGLAS F	FA	1910	1931	W11	D-6	W-4	W-5	3.5
2	HOHN, JEFF E	WV	1951	1964	D-7	W-5	W-6	H--	3.0
3	DOLGOVSKIJ, KONSTA	WV	1940	1928	D10	L-7	W-8	W-6	2.5
4	MARTIN, J GREG	FA	1944	1916	L-5	W10	L-1	W11	2.0
5	FARLEY, ALLEN D	WV	1311	1367	W-4	L-2	W10	L-1	2.0
6	BIERCE, RANDY E	WV	1939	1908	W-8	D-1	L-2	L-3	1.5
7	GIKAS, JAMES	WV	1880	1901	D-2	W-3	U--	U--	1.5
8	SNYDER, RODNEY L	WV	1501	1508	L-6	W11	L-3	H--	1.5
9	CADY, DANNY R	WV	1891	1892	U--	U--	W11	U--	1.0
10	BUTCHER, MARKLE W	WV	1619	1599	D-3	L-4	L-5	U--	.5
11	DE FOE, II GEORGE	WV	0	1412	L-1	L-8	L-9	L-4	.0

Fairmont Twin Tornado V - Day 2

	PLAYER	ST	PRE	POST	1	2	3	4	TOT
			RTNG	RTNG					
1	BUTCHER, MARKLE W	WV	1599	1693	W-4	W-7	D-6	W-2	3.5
2	HOUGH, DOUGLAS F	FA	1931	1918	W13	W-8	W-5	L-1	3.0
3	DOLGOVSKIJ, KONSTA	WV	1928	1927	W12	L-5	W-8	W-7	3.0
4	MARTIN, J GREG	FA	1916	1916	L-1	W13	W11	W-6	3.0
5	BORDEN, EDWIN	FA	1845	1877	W10	W-3	L-2	W11	3.0
6	BUVIT, TIMOTHY F	FA	1939	1924	H--	W-9	D-1	L-4	2.0
7	BIERCE, RANDY E	WV	1908	1902	W11	L-1	W10	L-3	2.0
8	FARLEY, ALLEN D	WV	1367	1381	B--	L-2	L-3	W13	2.0
9	GIKAS, JAMES	WV	1901	1888	H--	L-6	W13	U--	1.5
10	WIKLE, EARLE F	OH	2012	1989	L-5	W12	L-7	U--	1.0
11	MORAN, ROBBIE W	WV	1377	1372	L-7	B--	L-4	L-5	1.0
12	WIKLE, HANS J	WV	1485	1481	L-3	L10	U--	U--	.0
13	DE FOE, II GEORGE	WV	1412/4	1395	L-2	L-4	L-9	L-8	.0

1991 West Virginia High School Championship

DAVE IORIO CAPTURES TITLE!

Dave Iorio of East Fairmont High School captured the 1991 state high school title on tiebreak with a score of 4.5-.5. Glen Mason of Lewis County High School finished second with the same score. Doug Wegman and Darryl Johnson of Tygart Valley High School finished third and fourth respectively with the score of 4.5-.5 and were named to the all-state squad.

In the team competition, Tygart Valley High School finished first with 15.5 points. Lewis County High School was second with 14.5 points. These two were followed by Fairmont Senior High School (13.5), Spencer (12.5), Fairmont East High School (10.5), Grafton (10), Valley High School (7.5), and Jefferson (7).

In addition to those mentioned above, the all-state squad consisted of Wilford Cummings of Spencer (4-1), Jason Chips of Fairmont Senior High School (4-1), Jason Hayes of Tygart Valley (3.5-1.5), Robbie Moran of Fairmont Senior High School (3.5-1.5), James Flesher of Lewis County (3.5-1.5), Shawn Carder of Lewis County (3.5-1.5), and Ned Gibson of Spencer (3.5-1.5).

The tournament was held at the Bishop Hodges Pastoral Center in Huttonsville, West Virginia on April 20-21, 1991. Charles Szasz directed the tournament. We present Dave Iorio's last round game and the crosstable.

Wegman (B) - Iorio (B)

Italian Game

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Nf6 (The Two Knight's Defense)
4.d3 (Passive. Alternatives include 4.d4 exd4 5.0-0 and 4.Ng5 d5 5.exd5 Na5.) 4...Be7 (Also passive. It is more aggressive to play ...Bc5 before blocking the diagonal with ...d6.) 5.Nc3 d6 6.h3 (Keeping the QB off its best square at g4) 6...0-0 7.Be3 Na5 (Exchanging the KB) 8.Bb3 Nxb3 9.axb3 (Opening the a-file.) 9...Be6 10.0-0 (White doesn't take the a-pawn because of 10.Rxa7 Rxa7 11.Bxa7 b6 or 10.Bxa7 b6 11.Ra6 Qc8 12.Qa1 Qb7 13.0-0 Nd7 14.Qa2 Nb8 and if 15.Ra3 d5 16.Ra4 dxe4 17.dxe4 Bd7 18.Nd5 Bxa4 19.Nxe7+ Kh8 20.Qxa4 Rxa7 21.Qb5 Ra5! or 21.Qb4? c5. If instead 15.Ra4 Bd7.) 10...a6 11.Re1 (Protecting the e-pawn in view of the coming p-break d4) 11...Nd7 12.d4 c6 (Black does not wish to concede the center.) 13.dxe5 Nxe5 (Better is ...dxe5) 14.Nxe5 dxe5 15.Qxd8 Rfxd8 16.Red1 Rxe1 17.Rxe1 At this point White offered a draw. After 20 minutes of analysis Dave agreed. Dave indicated he was disappointed at himself for not playing the game out believing that he may have had a slight edge due to the 2 B's and White's doubled pawns. He offered the following assessment of the final position: "My first move must be
(Continued on p.20, crosstable on next p.)

1991 West Virginia High School Championship

PLAYER	ST	PRE		POST					TOT
		RTNG	RTNG	1	2	3	4	5	
1 IORIO, DAVID M	WV	1724	1731	W26	W-9	W-6	W14	D-2	4.5
2 WEGMAN, DOUG	WV	1662	1682	W15	W16	W24	W12	D-1	4.5
3 JOHNSON, DARYL W	WV	1429	1469	W43	W30	W-8	D-4	W12	4.5
4 MASON, GLEN C	WV	1398	1437	W20	W31	W22	D-3	W19	4.5
5 CUMMINGS, WILFORD	WV	1422/5	1445	W27	W19	L14	W17	W21	4.0
6 CHIPPS, JASON	WV	1399	1423	W49	W32	L-1	W31	W14	4.0
7 HAYES, JASON	WV	1404	1393	W45	L17	W43	D25	W22	3.5
8 MORAN, ROBBIE W	WV	1372	1357	W47	W48	L-3	D10	W25	3.5
9 FLESHER, JAMES A	WV	1291	1315	W11	L-1	W34	D23	W27	3.5
10 CARDER, SHAWN F	WV	1075	1136	L24	W40	W30	D-8	W23	3.5
11 GIBSON, NED	WV	0	1191	L-9	D26	W42	W47	W24	3.5
12 QUEEN, MICHAEL D	WV	1469	1459	W34	W18	W17	L-2	L-3	3.0
13 TACY, ROBERT	WV	1339	1327	L22	W21	L27	W48	W32	3.0
14 LINDSAY, ALAN BRIC	WV	1309	1329	W36	W44	W-5	L-1	L-6	3.0
15 MOFFETT, TODD	WV	1294/8	1315	L-2	W37	L23	W39	W30	3.0
16 OCHEL TREE, JACK L	WV	1277	1287	W37	L-2	W46	L22	W31	3.0
17 PHILLIPS, MATT	WV	1232	1264	W39	W-7	L12	L-5	W28	3.0
18 ROGERS, KEVIN SCOT	WV	1230	1230	W35	L12	W48	L21	W33	3.0
19 STALNAKER, JASON S	WV	1214	1226	W41	L-5	W36	W33	L-4	3.0
20 CHIPS, ERIC M	WV	1092	1107	L-4	L33	W35	W42	W29	3.0
21 TWYMAN, GLENN	WV	0	1350	W29	L13	W32	W18	L-5	3.0
22 ELLISON, MATT	WV	0	1434	W13	W23	L-4	W16	L-7	3.0
23 ENGLE, DAVID VINCE	WV	1350	1327	W46	L22	W15	D-9	L10	2.5
24 FINAMORE, DENNIE G	WV	1204/8	1211	W10	W25	L-2	D27	L11	2.5
25 JOHNSTON, JEFF	WV	1163	1170	W42	L24	W39	D-7	L-8	2.5
26 JOHNSON, BECKY	WV	1090	1099	L-1	D11	L33	W49	W40	2.5
27 MC GILL, LARRY WW	WV	1001	1042	L-5	W41	W13	D24	L-9	2.5
28 GRIFFITH, RONALD D	WV	1274/12	1182	L44	W46	L38	W34	L17	2.0
29 PARKER, TIM	WV	1244/5	1144	L21	L36	W37	W44	L20	2.0
30 OWENS, ERIC W	WV	1212	1194	W38	L-3	L10	W36	L15	2.0
31 BUTCHER, DOUGLAS G	WV	1190	1178	W40	L-4	W44	L-6	L16	2.0
32 WHITE, II WILLIAM	WV	1172	1171	W33	L-6	L21	W38	L13	2.0
33 ALVAREZ, ALEX	WV	1063/4	1073	L32	W20	W26	L19	L18	2.0
34 FETTY, PAUL ROBERT	WV	1049	1051	L12	W35	L-9	L28	W44	2.0
35 GIACOMO, NICHOLAS	WV	0	883	L18	L34	L20	W45	W47	2.0
36 MC NEILL, CARL D	WV	0	1103	L14	W29	L19	L30	W43	2.0
37 SHEETS, JOSEPH M	WV	0	1037	L16	L15	L29	W41	W46	2.0
38 SHEPPARD, RICHARD	WV	0	1008	L30	L43	W28	L32	W48	2.0
39 SCHUTT, TRAVIS	WV	0	1032	L17	W45	L25	L15	W49	2.0
40 SHUTTUCK, DUANE C	WV	0	970	L31	L10	W45	W43	L26	2.0
41 RICHARDSON, MATT	WV	0	884	L19	L27	D49	L37	W42	1.5
42 TABB, ANDREW	WV	1145/4	970	L25	W49	L11	L20	L41	1.0
43 BRADLEY, KENNY L	WV	1039	1019	L-3	W38	L-7	L40	L36	1.0
44 ORNDORFF, RODNEY	WV	951/8	945	W28	L14	L31	L29	L34	1.0
45 MONTGOMERY, BILL D	WV	942/8	856	L-7	L39	L40	L35	B--	1.0
46 BRADFORD, MICHAEL	WV	920/11	893	L23	L26	L16	B--	L37	1.0
47 TAYLOR, JESSICA N	WV	544/12	587	L-8	U--	B--	L11	L35	1.0
48 DILDINE, JASON M	WV	0	850	X--	L-8	L18	L13	L38	1.0
49 WOODRUM, CHARLES L	WV	1023/13	952	L-6	L42	D41	L26	L39	.5

1991 West Virginia Junior High School Championship

ERIC LONG TOPS FIELD!

Eric Long of Andrew Jackson Junior High School won the junior high school title with a perfect score of 5-0. Second place went to Omar Cannelon of Elkins with 4 points. Also scoring 4 points and making the all-tournament team were David Long of Andrew Jackson and Joe Patterson of Sissonville. The rest of the all-tournament team consisted of players with 3 points and included Amit Nayak (Andrew Jackson), Jimmy Wyant (Lewis County), Matt Stevens (Lewis County), Teresa Corley (Elkins), Alan Kubine (Fairmont), Abhik Roy (Elkins), and Dana Riggelman (Tygarts Valley).

Andrew Jackson took the team title with 13 points. The other trophy winners included Elkins (11), Lewis County (10.5), Tygarts Valley (9), Dunbar (7.5), and Valley High- 9th grade (4.5).

This tournament was held April 20-21, 1991 at the Bishop Hodges Pastoral Center in Huttonsville, West Virginia. John Homer directed the event and provided the Bulletin with this information.

1991 West Virginia Elementary Championship

CO-CHAMPIONS: RIGGLEMAN AND DISTEFANO

Brad Riggelman and Seth DiStefano, both of George Wardi, shared the title with perfect 4-0 records. the all-tournament team included Steve Ellis of Midway (3-1), Joanno DiStefano (3-1) of George Ward, John Iorio (3-1) of East Fairmont, Dana Jones (3-1) of Midway, and John Wallace (2.5-1.5) of East Fairmont.

In the team competition, George Ward captured first with 13.5 points. Second went to Midway (7.5) and third place was won by Watts (7).

The tournament was held April 20-21, 1991 at Bishop Hodges Pastoral Center in Huttonsville, West Virginia. John Homer directed the tournament and kindly supplied the details to the Bulletin.

The crosstable for the Junior High tourney is on the following page and the crosstable for the Elementary tournament is on p. 20.

West Virginia Junior High Championship

PLAYER	ST	PRE		POST		1	2	3	4	5	TOT
		RTNG	RTNG	RTNG	RTNG						
1 LONG, ERIC M	WV	1237	1298	W23	W18	W-4	W-7	W-3			5.0
2 LONG, DAVID M	WV	1356	1360	W-9	W11	W-6	W16	L-4			4.0
3 PATTERSON, JOSEPH	WV	1302/14	1350	W32	W13	W14	W-5	L-1			4.0
4 CANELON, OMAR	WV	1233	1265	W24	W-8	L-1	W19	W-2			4.0
5 NAYAK, AMITABH KUM	WV	1531	1520	W10	W17	W15	L-3	U--			3.0
6 ROY, ABHIK	WV	1072	1081	W40	W25	L-2	W23	U--			3.0
7 CORLEY, TERESA	WV	1030	1055	W21	W38	W12	L-1	U--			3.0
8 WYANT, JIMMY M	WV	975/12	1036	W26	L-4	W21	W27	U--			3.0
9 RIGGLEMAN, DANA	WV	942	992	L-2	W39	W17	W18	U--			3.0
10 KULINA, J ALAN	WV	901	942	L-5	W36	W25	W15	U--			3.0
11 STEVENS, MATTHEW E	WV	892/8	1022	W30	L-2	W37	W14	U--			3.0
12 FORTNEY, KELLEY M	WV	916/11	939	D38	W29	L-7	W30	U--			2.5
13 ATKINSON, KEITH J	WV	798/8	877	W39	L-3	D30	W28	U--			2.5
14 MC KINNEY, DAVID	WV	1471	1433	W34	W22	L-3	L11	U--			2.0
15 HOFFMAN, ROBERT D	WV	1237	1216	W31	W19	L-5	L10	U--			2.0
16 STOVER, JIM B	WV	1170/12	1111	L25	W33	W28	L-2	U--			2.0
17 TOWNSEND, MATT	WV	1104/7	1086	W35	L-5	L-9	W33	U--			2.0
18 COLLINS, BRANDI	WV	1053	1042	W33	L-1	W32	L-9	U--			2.0
19 WISMAN, DAVID D	WV	1044	1040	W37	L15	W35	L-4	U--			2.0
20 CARTE, JEREMY	WV	1044/8	991	D29	L28	D26	W35	U--			2.0
21 HILL, RENEE	WV	1007/4	996	L-7	W24	L-8	W34	U--			2.0
22 HADDIX, LARRY B	WV	996/12	992	W36	L14	L23	W32	U--			2.0
23 LINDSAY, RHETT	WV	935	949	L-1	W27	W22	L-6	U--			2.0
24 ARMSTRONG, NICOLE	WV	769	798	L-4	L21	W39	W31	U--			2.0
25 CURRENCE, SHELLY V	WV	735	764	W16	L-6	L10	W37	U--			2.0
26 DANIELS, SHANNON A	WV	1070	1039	L-8	L35	D20	W38	U--			1.5
27 CHONGSWATDI, NICK	WV	891/7	875	D28	L23	W29	L-8	U--			1.5
28 REAMS, MINDI M	WV	676	703	D27	W20	L16	L13	U--			1.5
29 WALLS, MATT	WV	540/4	658	D20	L12	L27	W39	U--			1.5
30 HANNIGAN, SCOTT A	WV	0	948	L11	W31	D13	L12	U--			1.5
31 ROGERS, JOHN	WV	1036/8	912	L15	L30	W36	L24	U--			1.0
32 THOMAS, MIKE	WV	960/8	912	L-3	W40	L18	L22	U--			1.0
33 WILSON, DAVID A	WV	915/12	872	L18	L16	W40	L17	U--			1.0
34 HORNBECK, JESSICA	WV	887	863	L14	L37	W38	L21	U--			1.0
35 SMITH, CHARLES B	WV	818/4	828	L17	W26	L19	L20	U--			1.0
36 CLINE, SCOTT F	WV	612	609	L22	L10	L31	W40	U--			1.0
37 TOMASEK, JEFFREY L	WV	0	783	L19	W34	L11	L25	U--			1.0
38 SKILES, MIKE	WV	941/7	846	D12	L-7	L34	L26	U--			.5
39 HIVELY, JASON	WV	1241/4	885	L13	L-9	L24	L29	U--			.0
40 GARTEN, CHRISTOPHE	WV	0	465	L-6	L32	L33	L36	U--			.0

Charleston Open

HATHAWAY TAKES TOURNEY!

Mark Hathaway won the 1991 Charleston Open with a perfect 4-0 score. Don Griffith finished close behind at 3.5-.5. Mike Felton turned in a fine performance to tie for third with Jim Walker at 3-1.

This event was held in Charleston, West Virginia on May 18-19, 1991. Don Griffith directed.

Mark Hathaway has annotated his games for the tournament and they will be presented in a second article beginning on p. 21. We present a selection from the rest of the field and a crosstable in the following pages.

ROUND I

Lester (C) - Hardin (CM)

Benko Gambit

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 q6 3.Bf4 Bq7 4.c4 c5 5.d5 b5 6.Nc3 bxc4
7.Qa4 0-0 8.Qxc4 d6 9.e4 Qa5 10.Bd3? Ba6 11.Qb3 Bxd3
12.Bd2 Qa6 -+ and 0-1 in 27.

Felton (A) - Patterson (E)

Queens Gambit Declined

1.c4 d5! 2.d4 Nf6 3.e3 Bf5 4.Nc3 e6 5.Nf3 (5.Qb3!)
5...Nc6 6.a3 Be7 7.b4 a6 8.Bb2 0-0 9.Be2 h6 10.c5 Ne4
11.Nxe4 Bxe4 12.Nd2 Bxg2 13.Rg1 Bh3 14.e4 Bh4 15.Nf3 dxe4
16.Nxh4 Qxh4 17.d5 exd5 18.Rxg7+ 1-0

Morris (B) - Griffith (CM)

Torre Attack

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Bg5 e6 4.c3 Be7 5.Nbd2 c5 6.e3 Ne4
7.Bxe7 Qxe7 8.Ne5 Nbd7 9.Nxe4 dxe4 10.Bb5 0-0 11.Bxd7 Bxd7
12.Nxd7 Qxd7 13.dxc5 Qb5 14.b4 Rfe8 15.Qe2 Rd3 16.0-0 Qc4
17.Rac1 Rad8 18.Rfd1 Kf8 19.Rxd3 exd3 20.Qd2 e5 21.f3 f5
22.h3 e4 23.fxe4 fxe4 24.Rf1+ Kg8 25.a3 Qb3 26.Rf4 Qc2
27.Rf2 Qb3 28.Rf4 Re8 29.Qc1 Qc2 30.Rf1 Rd8 31.Rd1 Qe7
32.Qd2 Qh5 33.Rf1 a5 34.Rd1 axb4 35.cxb4 Ra8 36.Qa2+ Kh8
37.Rf1 Qe5 38.Qf7 h6 39.Qxb7 Rxa3 40.Qc8+ Kh7 41.Qd7 Qq5
42.Qd4 Qq6 43.b5 Rb3 44.b6 Rb5 45.Rf2 Qc6 46.Rf7 Qq6
47.Rf2 .5-.5 Gary's long patient defense is rewarded with the half point.

ROUND II

Roush (NM) - Morris (B)

Kings Indian Defense

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 q6 3.Nc3 Bq7 4.e4 d6 5.Nf3 0-0 6.Be2 Nbd7
7.0-0 e5 8.Rb1 a5 9.Re1 Re8 10.d5 Nc5 11.Nd2 Qe7 12.b3 h6
13.a3 Kh7 14.b4 axb4 15.axb4 Ncd7 16.Nb3 b6 17.Be3 Ba6
18.Qc2 Rec8 19.f3 Nh5 20.q3 Rcf8 21.c5 Bxe2 22.Nxe2 bxc5
23.bxc5 f5 24.Bf2 fxe4 25.fxe4 Qq5 26.cxd6 cxd6 27.Qd2 Qq4
28.Qd3 Nf4 29.Nxf4 exf4 30.Nd4 Nde5 31.Qe2 fxq3 32.Bxq3

Nxf3+ 33.Nxf3 Rxf3 34.Rb3 Bd4+ 35.Kh1 Raf8 36.Rxf3 Qxf3+
37.Qxf3 Rxf3 38.Bxd6 Kq7 39.e5 Kf7 40.e6+ Ke8 41.Rb1 Ba7
42.Ra1 Bb6 43.Ra8+ Bd8 44.e7 1-0

Hardin (CM) - Felton (A)

Sicilian Defense

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 q6 5.Nc3 Nf6 6.f3 Bq7
7.Be3 a6?! (7...0-0) 8.Qd2 Ne5 9.0-0-0 b5 10.Nb3 d6
11.Qf2 Nfd7 12.h4 Rb8 13.Nd5 e6 14.Nb4 Qc7 15.h5 a5 16.Nd3
a4 17.Nxe5? axb3 18.axb3 Nxe5 19.Bd4 0-0 20.hxq6 fxq6
21.Be2 Qf7 22.Rh4 q5 23.Rh3 Nq4 24.Qq1 Qf4+ 25.Kb1 Bxd4
26.Qxd4 Nf6 27.Rdh1? e5 0-1

Thomas (B) - Walker (CM)

Kings Indian Attack

1.Nf3 q6 2.g3 Bq7 3.Bq2 d6 4.d3 e5 5.e4 Nf6 6.Nc3 0-0
7.Bg5 h6 8.Bxf6 Bxf6 9.Qd2 Bq7 10.0-0-0 Be6 11.Nh4 c6
12.Qe1 Bf6 13.Nf3 Qb6 14.Nd2 a5 15.f4 Bq7 16.f5 qxf5
17.exf5 Bxf5 18.Be4 Bq4 19.Bf3 Be6 20.q4 d5 21.h4 e4
22.dxe4 d4 23.Na4 Qb4 24.b3 Qa3+ 25.Kb1 d3 26.cxd3 b5
27.Nc4 bxc4 28.dxc4 Na6 29.e5 Bxc4 30.Qc3 Bd5 31.Bxd5 cxd5
32.Rxd5 Rfc8 33.Qe3 Nb4 34.Rd2 Re8 35.Qf3 Rb8 36.Rf1 Re7
37.q5 Nxa2 38.Nc5 Qxc5 39.Rxa2 R7b7 40.Rb2 Qxe5 41.R1f2
hxq5 42.hxq5 a4 43.b4 a3 44.Rb3 Qa1+ 0-1

ROUND III

Canary (B) - Griffith (CM)

Gruenfield Defense

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.e3 q6 4.c4 Bq7 5.Nc3 0-0 6.Bd3 c5
7.cxd5 Nxd5 8.Ne2 Nc6 9.e4 Ndb4 10.d5 Bq4 11.Ng3 e6 12.Bc4
exd5 13.Bxd5 Nxd5 14.exd5 Nd4 15.0-0 Qxd5 16.Be3 Bxf3
17.qxf3 Nxf3+ 18.Kh1 Qc6 19.Bxc5 Rfd8 20.Qc1 Nd2+ 21.f3
Nxf1 22.Nxf1 Rac8 0-1

Felton (A) - Roush (NM)

English Opening

1.c4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.e3 q6 4.d4 cxd4 5.exd4 Bq7 6.Nf3 Qb6!?
7.Nd5 Qa5+ 8.Bd2 Qd8 9.Bf4 d6 10.c5 Be6 11.Nc3 dxc5 12.Nb5
Nxd4 13.Nc7+ Kf8 14.Nxd4 Bxd4 15.Qf3! Rac8? (15...Nf6
16.Bh6+ +=, neccessary was 15...Kg7) 16.Nxe6+ fxe6 17.Bc7+
Nf6 18.Bxd8 Rcx8 19.Bc4 Kf7 20.0-0 b6 21.Rae1 Rhe8
22.Rxe6 Kq7 23.q4 1-0

ROUND IV

Walker (CM) - Hines (A)

Dutch Defense: Leningrad Variation

1.d4 f5 2.g3 q6 3.Bg2 Bq7 4.c4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Nf3 0-0
7.0-0 c6 8.b3 Re8 9.Bb2 Nbd7 10.Qc2 Qc7 11.Rad1 e5 12.dxe5
dxe5 13.e4 Nc5 14.Nd2 Be6 15.b4 Ncxe4 16.Ncxe4 Nxe4
17.Nxe4 fxe4 18.Bxe4 Qf7 19.Rc1 Bh6 20.f4 exf4 21.Rxf4
Bxf4 22.Qc3 Kf8 23.Rf1 Bf5 24.Bxf5 Be3+ 25.Kq2 qxf5
26.Rxf5 Bb6 27.Qq7+ 1-0

Griffith (CM) - Hardin (CM)

Modern Defense

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 d6 4.f4 c6 5.Nf3 Nd7 6.Bd3 e5
7.fxe5 dxe5 8.d5 cxd5 9.Nxd5 Ne7 10.Bc4 0-0 11.Bg5 Qa5+
12.b4 Qa3 13.Bxe7 and 1-0 in 21.

CHARLESTON OPEN

NAME	Rating	1	2	3	4	T
1. J.E.Roush	2203	D10	W12	L8	W9	2.5
2. M.S.Hathaway	2139	W11	W7	W6	W8	4.0
3. D.W.Griffith	2122	D12	W10	W9	W5	3.5
4. T.Auvil	2079	L13	W15	D11	W10	2.5
5. G.B.Hardin	2079	W14	L8	W13	L3	2.0
6. J.Walker	2053	W15	W13	L2	W7	3.0
7. D.F.Hines	1976	W16	L2	W14	L6	2.0
8. M.Felton	1908	W17	W5	W1	L2	3.0
9. R.Canary	1736	W18	HPB	L3	L1	1.5
10.D.G.Michael	1729	D1	L3	W17	L4	1.5
11.D.M.Iorio	1679	L2	W16	D4	D12	2.0
12.G.L.Morris	1663	D3	L1	D16	D11	1.5
13.S.Thomas	1637	W4	L6	L5	L15	1.0
14.P.Lester	1583	L5	W18	L7	D17	1.5
15.J.M.Baker	1575	L6	L4	W18	W13	2.0
16.N.Urot	1555	L7	L11	D12	W18	1.5
17.J.P.Patterson	1184	L8	FPB	L10	D14	1.5
18.G.Cruise	UNR	L9	L14	L15	L16	0.0

HPB=1/2 point bye

FPB= 1 point bye

HARDIN - WALKER MATCH

In May of 1991 Jim Walker and Gary Hardin contested a 4 game match. The time limit was game in 90 minutes. Hardin won the first three games to clinch victory. Jim won the last game to reclaim some respect. All the games were rip-roarers and worthy of publication. Unfortunately, I was only able to steal the 3rd game scoresheet! Here it is:

Hardin (CM) - Walker (CM) Sicilian Defense

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nc6 5.Nc3 Nf6 6.a3 Be7
7.Be2 0-0 8.0-0 d6 9.Be3 Qc7 10.f4 Nxd4 11.Bxd4 e5 12.Be3
a6 13.f5 b5 14.g4 Bb7 15.Bf3 Rfd8 16.g5 Nd7 17.Qe1 f6
18.h4 Nb6 19.Rd1 Nc4 20.Bc1 Rac8 21.Rd3 a5 22.Rf2 b4
23.axb4 axb4 24.Nd5 Bxd5 25.exd5 Qa7 26.b3 Na3 27.Be3 Qb7
28.Qc1 Nb5 29.Rg2 Nc3 30.Rg4 e4 31.Rxc3 Rxc3 32.Bxe4 Re8
33.Bd4 fxq5 34.Bxc3 bxc3 35.hxq5 Qb6+ 36.Kg2 Qd4 37.Bf3
Bd8? 1-0

(Continued from p. 13)

...Rd8 to contest the open file. Then 18.Rxd8 Bxd8 and White's N can move to a4 then to c5, an excellent outpost. This forces Black's B to c8 and into a defensive mode. On Na4 I could play ...Be7 and on Nc5 exchange. However, White can play 20.Bc5 instead. I am then faced with the decision to exchange and play ...Bc8 to defend and ...b6 to kick away the N or play 20...Kf8 21.Bxe7+ Kxe7 22.Nc5 Bc8 and 23...b6. The latter is probably better. If B and N were exchanged even a pawn advantage may not be enough to win with opposite color Bishops. The endgame offers a multitude of possibilities. I am not even sure if the moves I have discussed are the best moves. Maybe there is no real advantage and the game should have been drawn."

At this point Dave solicited my opinion. On the whole I agree with his assessment of the ending. I think it is about even. After 17...Rd8 18.Rxd8 Bxd8 19.Na4 Be7 20.Bc5 Kf8 21.Bxe7+ Kxe7 22.Nc5 Bc8 23.Kf1 b6 24.Nd3 f6 25.b4 the position is pretty stable. It would be hard for either side to make progress. If White tries to penetrate with his N on the K-side with 25.Nc1 then 25...Kd6 26.Ne2 g6 stops him in his tracks. White can't easily penetrate with his N and the Black B has no inviting targets. The players can continue to maneuver and can advance their pawns in any number of ways, however, with reasonable play a draw seems the most likely result. In any event, both players played the game close to the vest and reasonably well. There is a lot of tension in a last round encounter between the tourney leaders! The notes for the game were by Dave Iorio with a little light editing for form, but very little for the content.

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			PRE	POST					
	PLAYER	ST	RTNG	RTNG	1	2	3	4	TOT
1	DI STEFANO, SETH D	WV	1305	1341	W20	W19	W-9	W-5	4.0
2	RIGGLEMAN, BRADLEY	WV	1236	1285	W21	W11	W-3	W-9	4.0
3	ELLIS, STEVE	WV	1330	1323	X--	W16	L-2	W11	3.0
4	IORIO, JOHN F	WV	1125	1157	W10	L-5	W-8	W13	3.0
5	JONES, DANA	WV	979/7	1106	W-8	W-4	W17	L-1	3.0
6	DI STEFANO, JOANNA	WV	682	731	L19	B--	W10	W16	3.0
7	WALLACE, JOHN	WV	945	958	L17	W21	D16	W18	2.5
8	ADKINS, BRIAN	WV	1239	1215	L-5	W12	L-4	W15	2.0
9	SNYDER, PHILIP C	WV	1224	1207	W12	W18	L-1	L-2	2.0
10	DAVIDSON, BRIAN	WV	945	929	L-4	W14	L-6	W21	2.0
11	RASPA, FRANKIE J	WV	816/8	930	W15	L-2	W18	L-3	2.0
12	SERRETT, ANGELA J	WV	772	803	L-9	L-8	W21	W17	2.0
13	STITZEL, JAMES	WV	719/12	793	L16	W20	W19	L-4	2.0
14	MC COLLUM, SHANNON	WV	534/12	598	L18	L10	B--	W19	2.0
15	KUNHAVIJIT, MICHAEL	WV	1071/12	1036	L11	D17	W20	L-8	1.5
16	CARROLL, ERIK B	WV	1044	1020	W13	L-3	D-7	L-6	1.5
17	SAMSON, JAMES	WV	0	915	W-7	D15	L-5	L12	1.5
18	ADKINS, JAY	WV	1049	1014	W14	L-9	L11	L-7	1.0
19	DAVIDSON, DANNY	WV	971	935	W-6	L-1	L13	L14	1.0
20	LUTZ, GREG	WV	912	886	L-1	L13	L15	B--	1.0
21	HEDRICK, PHILLIP	WV	860/10	779	L-2	L-7	L12	L10	.0

MY CHARLESTON OPEN GAMES

by Mark Hathaway

Mark Hathaway (CM) - David Iorio (B) Rd. 1

Ruy Lopez:

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Nf6 4.0-0 Be7 (Usual is 4...Nxe4)
5.Nc3 (Perhaps too tame. Rfe1 intending c3 and d4 is a
good choice.) 5...d6 6.d4 exd4 7.Nxd4 Bd7 (Transposes to the
Steinitz variation.) 8.Bxc6 Bxc6 (Usual is 8...bxc6 to
prevent Nd4 Nf5 as in Lasker-Capablanca 1921) 9.Nxc6
(9.Nf5 is good.) 9...bxc6 10.Qd4 (Black's best plan
involves ...Nd7, ...Bf6, ...0-0, ...Qb8-b6 and putting his
R's on e8 and e7. I intended to disrupt this plan by
threatening c6 at a moment inconvenient to him. If he is
forced to play ...c5, that would leave d5 weak and deprive
him of the manouver ...Nd7-c5 and would close the a7-g1
diagonal to the Q. The cost is a tempo in development.)
10...0-0 11.Qc4 c5?! (Better, though not obvious, is
...Qd7) 12.f4 Nd7 13.Nd5 (Since Nd7 is limited and Bf6 is
coming, I get rid of the more valuable of the two. However
13.b3 Bf6 14.Bb2 looks possible too.) 13...Nb6 14.Nxe7+
Qxe7 15.Qd3 Rfe8 (White is behind in development in
exchange for having a potentially good B vs. a bad N at
b6. I thought 15...Rae8 was better.) 16.Re1 Qd7?! (He
needs to pressure e4 quickly and try to improve the N at
b6. Therefore, ...Qe6 intending ...Qc4 or ...c4 makes
sense) 17.Be3? (I goofed. 17.b3 intending 18.Bb2, Re2, and
Rae1 is best! This may have been my worst mistake of the
tournament.) 17...c4! 18.Qc3 Rxe4 19.Bxb6 Rxe1+ 20.Rxe1 axb6
21.Qxc4 (Now, instead of an enduring middlegame advantage,
it's back to square one, i.e. =) 21...d5 22.Qd3 Rxa2??
(Black can play ...c5, ...Rae8, ...h6, or ...Rad8, but not
this.) 23.Qxd5 +- (The Q at d7 and the R at a2 are attacked
and the Q can't defend against Qxa2 and Re8 mate.)
23...Qxd5 24.Re8 mate 1-0 Seeing Roush and Griffith
narrowly escaping defeat, this victory meant a lot to me.

David Hines (A) - Mark Hathaway (CM) Rd. 2

Sicilian Defense

1.e4 c5 2.d4 (Usually the beginning of the Smith-Morra
Gambit.) 2...cxd4 3.Nf3 (A la Morphy, it is a normal
Sicilian now.) 3...d6 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 (Najdorf
Variation) 6.Bg5 e6 7.f4 Qb6 8.Qd2 (Also good is 8.Nb3)
8...Qxb2 Poisoned Pawn Variation. White develops while
Black snatches a pawn. It is interesting chess.) 9.Rb1 Qa3
10.Bxf6 qxf6 11.Bc4?! (Usual is 11.Be2) 11...Nc6 12.Nxc6
bxc6 (This bolsters Black's center but hinders the
development of his pieces particularly the QR.) 13.Qd3
(A cost of Bc4. White can't play 0-0 as ...Qc5+ wins the
KB.) 13...Be7 (A difficult moment for Black. He isn't
being threatened, but must decide on a plan and a
permanent residence for his K. His central pawns are
inhibited by the presence of the K at e8. For example if
13...d5 14.exd5 cxd5 [or ...exd5] 15.Bxd5! is risky for

Black.) 14.0-0 0-0 (Chess books usually advise against this sort of thing.) 15.Rf3 Qc5+ 16.Kh1 Kh8 (Preparing Rg8-g7 defending h7 and f7 and attacking g2.) 17.e5!? (Black has two choices: 17...f5 and 17...dxe5. The f-pawn must be used at f5 to keep the n from e4 and prevent Qxh7 mate at some point.) 17...dxe5 (Suddenly a new possibility occurred to me, namely 18.Qxh7+ Kxh7 19.Rh3+ intending a perpetual check. So, 17...Rg8 would have been a third choice to allow ...Kg7-f8. I left it to my opponent to figure it out.) 18.Ne4 (Whew! If 18.Qxh7+ Kxh7 19.Rh3+ Kg6 20.Rg3+ Kf5 it looks risky for Black, but if he can get to safety White loses. Keep in mind Black can also trade his Q for any piece to assist the K's escape. I'll leave it to you try to find best play for both sides.) 18...Qd4 19.Qe2 f5 20.Ng5 Bxg5 21.fxg5 e4 (So ...Qg7 is possible and Rf3-h3 is impossible.) 22.Rh3 Rd8 (Development of the R's and B's are the highest priority at this point.) 23.Rh6 (To allow the h-pawn to move which gives the K more luft.) 23...Rb8! (One of the niftiest moves I've ever played. If he captures it Black wins by a very forcing variation and if he doesn't Black solves his problems very easily. I think Rf1 intending h3, Rf4-h4 is worth a try.) 24.Rxb8 Qa1+ 25.Qf1 Rd1 26.Rxc8+ (If Rb8-b1 either Qxb1 or Rxb1 win also.) 26...Kg7 0-1 The game could have continued 27.Kg1 Qd4 28.Kh1 Rxf1 29.Bxf1 Qf2 30.h4 Qxf1 31.Kh2 e3 32.g3 [If Rc7 Qf4+] e2 33.Rc7 e1=Q 34.Rf6 Qh1 mate. Very nifty.

Mark Hathaway (CM) - Jim Walker (CM) Rd. 3

Sicilian Defence

1.e4 e6 2.d4 a6 3.c4 (Seeking to punish him for not playing more classically.) 3...c5 (3...b5 produces unbalanced positions and is the "book" preference.) 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Nc6 6.Nxc6 (Unusual, but I wanted to play Bd3.) 6...bxc6 7.Bd3 Qc7?! (7...d5 8.0-0 Nf6 transposes to Fischer-Petrosian 1972) 8.0-0 Nf6 9.Nc3 (I had delayed this until after castling because of the possibility of ...Bb4.) 9...Be7 10.Qe2 d6 11.f4 Nd7 12.Be3 Rb8 (Black should try ...c5, ...Bf6, ...0-0, ...Bb7-c6, and ...Rb8) 13.Rc1 Bf6 14.c5 dxc5? (14...d5 looks risky though it couldn't be beaten in post-mortem analysis. Perhaps best is 14...Nxc5 to ease the cramp.) 15.e5 Be7 (One last chance was 15...Nxe5 16.fxe5 Bxe5 +=) 16.Ne4 Qa5 17.b3 Bb7 18.Rc2 (The idea is Rfcl and Nxc5 recovering the pawn with a superior position.) 18...c4 19.Bxc4 Nb6 20.Bd2! (Chasing the Q and allowing a direct frontal assault on the K.) 20...Qa3 21.f5 Nxc4 22.Qxc4 exf5 23.Nd6! (opening lines to the K and threatening Bb4 winning the Q.) 23...Bxd6 24.exd6 c5 (I expected 24...Qxd6 25.Bb4 Qd5 26.Re1+ Kd7 27.Rd2 winning the Q.) 25.d7+ Kxd7 (If ...Kf8 26.Rxf5 f6 27.Qe6 threatening 28.Rxf6+ gxf6 29.Bh6mate and 28.Qd6+ winning the R at b8. If ...Kd8 26.Qxf7 (threatening 27.Bg5+ Kc7 28.d8=Q+ winning) h6 27.Qxg7 winning.) 26.Qxf7+ Kc6 27.Qe6+ Kb5 28.Bc1 (Enabling a4 forcing mate.) 28...Be4 29.Bxa3 Bxc2 30.Qc4+ 1-0

Mike Felton (A) - Mark Hathaway (CM) Rd. 4

Gruenfield Defense

1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 g6 3.d4 d5 (Played for the sake of variety.

I've been playing the Kings Indian a lot in O.T.B.) 4.e3
 (Better alternatives include 4.cxd5, 4.Nf3, 4.g3, and
4.Bg5) 4...Bg7 5.Nf3 0-0 6.Bd3 c6 (Aiming for ...e5)
7.Rb1?! (7.0-0) 7...Nbd7 8.Ne5 Nxe5 9.dxe5 Ne4 (The only
 danger in this line is a quick exchange of all pieces and
 a drawish ending. Black is already equal, but can he gain
 an advantage? If 10.Nxe4 dxe4 11.Bxe4 Qa5+ 12.Bd2 Qxa2 =+)
10.f4 Nxc3 11.bxc3 f6 12.e6?! f5 13.g4? (Better is 13.Qc2)
13...dxc4 (Looks a bit odd, but I foresee a great ending
 where I win c3, trade Q's and have 3 to 1 pawn majority on
 the Q-side.) 14.Bxc4 Bxc3+ 15.Ke2 Qxd1+ 16.Rxd1 b5 17.Bb3 (-+)
17...a5 18.gxf5 gxf5 19.Rq1+ Kh8 20.Kd3 Bf6 21.a4 Ba6 (A
 little better is Rfd8+ chasing White's pieces back.)
22.axb5 cxb5 23.e4 Rfd8+ 24.Bd5 (This was unexpected.
21...Rfd8+ would have prevented this move and the
 supporting e4 on move 23.) 24...fxe4+ 25.Kxe4 Rac8
 (Threatens 26...Rxd5 27.Kxd5 Bb7 mate.) 26.Bb2 Bxb2
27.Rxb2 Rc5 28.Rg5 b4 (28...Rxd5 -+) 29.Rbq2 Rcxd5 30.Rxd5
Bb7 31.Rd2 Rd5 32.Rd5 Bxd5 33.Kxd5 Kg7 34.Ke5 b3 35.f5 b2
 0-1 A rough and tumble fight!

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WEST VIRGINIANS ABROAD

Judge O'Hanlon overules all objections and renders a verdict in his own favor!

On July 14-15, 1990 Dan o'Hanlon won the under 1800 section of the Tullah Hanley Grand Prix with a record of 4.5-.5. This spring he won the Miami Valley Open in Dayton, Ohio with a record of 4-1! Wild happenings from the chess playing jurist! We present two of his games from the former and one from the latter events.

King's Indian Defense:Exchange Var.

Piwowar(C)-O'Hanlon(B) (Round 1)

1. d4	Nf6	
2. c4	g6	
3. Nc3	Bg7	
4. e4	d6	
5. Nf3	0-0	
6. Be2	e5	
7. dxe5	dxe5	beginning the exchange variation
8. Bg5	h6?	Qxd8 is book;...Nbd7 was mandatory: ...h6 allows 9.Qxd8, Rxd8 10.Bxf6, Bxf6 11.Nd5 winning at least the c7 pawn
9. Bh4?!	Nbd7	
10. 0-0	c6	now Black is back on track
11. Qc2	Qc7	
12. Rad1	a5	the Rf1 looks like it belongs on d1 so the Ra1 can go to c1;Black secured c5 for the N
13. Bg3	Nh5	
14. h3	Nxg3	a3 was better
15. fxg3	Nc5	Black's plan is to put a N in the hole at d4 and build up pressure against the weakened kingside
16. Kh1	Ne6	
17. Rd2	Nd4	
18. Nxd4?	exd4	this drops the pawn at g3;Qd1 was best, but Black has obtained a clear advantage all White's pieces are on white squares except the b3 pawn!
19. Nd1	Qxg3	
20. Rd3	Qh4	
21. Rdf3	Be5	
22. Nf2	g5	...f5 was better
23. g4	h5	
24. Rg1	Bf4	with the idea...Be3
25. Qd3	Be3	
26. Rg2	Be6	again, everything's on a white square for White;Black has a good position, but must clear away the white-square defenders
27. e5	b5	the idea is:28.cxb5, Bd5!
28. Ne4	hxp4	
29. Nf6+	Kg7	
30. Nxp4	bxc4	--
31. Qe4	Rh8	not allowing...Bd5, 32.Qf5, Bxf3 33.Qf6+, Kg8 34.Nh6+, Kh7 35.Bxf3

with some counterplay

32. Qxc6 Rxc6
33. Qe4 Rcd8

White's defense of the white squares is not sufficient, since Black is playing on both the light and dark squares and is preparing Bd5 with the final breakthrough

34. Nxe3?? Qxe4 (0-1)

Mikuta (B) - O' Hanlon (B)

(Round 5)

1. d4 Nf6
2. Nf3 g6
3. Bg5 Bg7
4. Nbd2 Q-O
5. e3 d6
6. c3 Nbd7
7. Be2 c5
8. b4!? cxd4
9. cxd4 Nd5
10. Qb3 N7f6
11. Bc4 Nb6

e4 is also an option
White is using his pawns to protect the dark squares in his position
Bd3 is better;...e5 is preferable, threatening e4 next

12. Bxf6 Bxf6
13. Ne4 Bg7
14. Be2 Be6
15. Qb1?! Rc8
16. Q-O Qc7
17. Rc1 Qxc1
18. Qxc1 Rxc1
19. Rxc1 Rc8

Bc4 is a waste of time; Black's plan is to try and occupy the c-file first and hit the white squares with the N's

Qa3 is best;...Na4 is better for Black
...Na4 is still better

20. Rxc8 Nxc8
21. a3 a6

...Bxa2, 20. Rc7, Re8 21. Nc3 and the b pawn falls

my plan is to fix the queenside pawns on a3 and b4 and attack them with the dark-squared B; when White defends them with his N, I plan to trade it for my white-squared B and win the pawns. Simple chess, huh!?

22. Kf1 b5

at this point, my opponent offered me a draw in an entirely equal position... but the only other contenders for first place had just agreed to a draw on the next board. I politely declined the draw and went for all the marbles!

23. g3? Nb6

hard to believe this is the losing move for White, but it gave me the extra tempo I needed to make the attack on the

		pawns work
24. Nfd2	Bh3+!	
25. Ke1	e5!	NM Aviv Friedman declared this a master-level move in the post-game analysis and awarded it the !
26. dxe5	Bxe5	White's pieces were not prepared to control d4; post-game analysis showed that 26.Nb3, Be6 27.Ned2, Bxb3 28.Nxb3 exd4 29.Nxd4, d5 with the idea of Nc4 is winning (29.exd4, Nc4! 30.Bxc4, bxc4 31.Na5, d5!)
27. Nb1	Be6	
28. f4	Bb2	
29. Nxd6?	Ba2	White cannot afford the price of this pawn!
30. Bd3	Bxb1	
31. Bxb1	Bxa3	achieving the plan
32. Kd1	Bxb4	too late White realized that the B would have taken on b4 with check, winning the N
33. Nb7	Nd5!	the second zinger in the position; now Black wins either a pawn or the B for a N!
34. e4	Nc3+	
35. Kc2	Nxb1	choosing the B!?
36. Kxb1	Kf8	
37. Nd8	Bc5	looking at all those kingside pawns on dark squares
38. Nc6	Bg1	
39. h3	Bh2	
40. g4	Bxf4	
41. Kb2	h5!?	better to leave pawns on the board
42. gxh5	gxh5	
43. Kb3	Bc7	Bd6 is better
44. Kb4	Bd6	
45. Ka5	b4	
46. Nd4	Ke7	the N must move or miss the pawn as it heads for b1
47. Kxa6	Kf6	
48. Kb5	Ke5	
49. Nf3+	Kf4	...Kxe4, 50.Ng5+ wins the f-pawn and gets back to stop the b-pawn complicating the win unnecessarily
50. Nd2	Kg3	
51. h4	f6	...Kxh4, 52.e5!?, Bxe5 53.Nf3+ wins the B, although White is still lost
52. Kc4	Kxh4	
53. Kd5	Be5	
54. Kc4	Bc3	
55. Nf3+	Kg3	
56. e5!?	fxe5	the last trap:...Kxf3??, 57.e6!+-
resigns		

Alexander(1706)-O'Hanlon(1743)

1. d4 Nf6
 2. Nf3 g6
 3. c4 Bg7
 4. Nc3 Q-Q
 5. e4 d6
 6. Be2 e5
 7. d5 (initiating the Petrosian var., resolving the central tension while preventing ...Nc6) a5 (Black plans to bring his QN into the game via c5 and delay White's Q-side play)
 8. Q-Q Na6
 9. Bg5 h6
 10. Bf6?! (giving up the dark-squared B while all his central p's are on light squares is unusual; Bh4 is normal here) Bf6
 11. Nd2 Nc5
 12. Rcl (the slower b3, a2, Rb1, b4 plan is probably safer) Be7
 13. f4?! (opening the position is the wrong idea) ef
 14. Rf4 Nd7
 15. Rf1 Bg5
 16. Rb1 Be3+
 17. Kh1 Nf6 (Ne5 may be better)
 18. Nf3 Qe7
 19. Bd3 g5
 20. Qe2 Bf4
 21. Nd4 (heading for the hole on f5) Bh2! (22. Kh2, Qe5+; ...Qd4)
 22. Nf5 Bf5
 23. Rf5 Be5 (With a pawn plus and dark-square holes all around the White K, Black now initiates a plan to bring his K to safety in the center and storm the K-side with pieces and pawns)

 24. Rbf1 Ne8
 25. Qg4 Ng7
 26. R5f2 f6
 27. Nd1 Qf7
 28. Be2 h5
 29. Qh3 g4
 30. Qd3 Qg6
 31. g3 (providing some space behind which to defend, but fixing the p on a dark square) Kf7

32. e5	Rh8
33. ed	ed
34. Rg2	n4
35. gh	Rh4+
36. Kg1	g3 (not ...Rah8, 37. Kf2 and the K escapes to the center)
37. Rf3	Nh5
38. Qb3	Re8 (bringing the last piece into the attack)
39. Bb5?	Re7
40. Rf5	Re4
41. Qf3 (x Nh5)	Bd4+ (Death travels on the dark squares!)
42. Kh1 (42. Kf1, Re1++; 42. Nf2 or 42. Qf2, Re1+, 43. Bf1, gf+; 42. Rf2, gf+, 43. Kf1 or Kh1, Qg1++)	
	Rh4+
resigns	

LATE BREAKING NEWS!

Jim Walker won the Kanawha Valley Open with a score of 3.5-.5. He beat two experts, a master, and drew Roush!

Jim Walker and Terry Auvil tied for first in the Fairmont Open with 4.5-.5 records. Hopefully games and crosstables from both events will appear in the next Bulletin.
