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John Roush unseats Chuck Schulien as WVCA Grand Prix winner

It is a little late, but the results are finally in: John Roush is the 1993-1994 WVCA Grand Prix Champion. The delay in announcing was to allow time for tournament crosstables to be sent to Grand Prix coordinator Mike Baker. John played in six of the ten Grand Prix tournaments, winning the Charleston Open and Parkersburg Homecoming, splitting the KVO with Tony Campbell and sharing the Tug Valley Open with the Grand Prix second place finisher Chuck Schulien. Chuck, the inaugural winner last year, won or shared first place in the only four Grand Prix events he entered. Jim Walker placed third this year helped by his first place finish at the No Fire Open, and by participating at eight of the ten tourneys. John Dailey was the top Junior player, and finished sixth overall.

The ten Grand Prix tournaments for 1993-1994 were as follows:

1. WV State Chess Championships, Sept 4-6, 1993
2. Tug Valley Open, 9/19/93
3. 2nd Annual Weston Winter Open, 12/4/93
4. Mountaineer Open VII, 2/12/94
5. Atlantic Chess Championships, March 4-6, 1994 (participation points only)
6. Charleston Open 5/14/94
7. Parkersburg Starting Open, 6/4/94
8. No Fire Open, 7/3/94
9. Kanawha Valley Open, 8/13/94
10. Parkersburg Homecoming 8/20/94

For a tournament to qualify for Grand Prix status:

- 1 - Must be played in WV.
- 2 - Must be advertised in Chess Life/WVCA

Bulletin or a mailing made to WVCA members.

- 3 - Must be open to all players.
- 4 - Class tournaments only award participation points.

5 - Must be G/60 or slower time controls.

6 - Must be at least 4 Game tournament.

7 - Crosstable must be mailed to Grand Prix

Coordinator and/or Bulletin Director.

Points are as follows:

Wins, Forced Bye, Forfeit Win - 1 point

Draw - 1/2 point

1/2 pt Bye - 0 points

Bonus points are awarded as follows:

1st - 6 points 2nd - 4 points

3rd - 2 points

1st in each class (from crosstable) - 1 point

Class A, B, C, D/E/Unr

Double bonus points awarded for the state tournaments.

Currently only open to WVCA members.

The Top 10 Finishers for 1993-1994

1. John Roush	45.83
2. Chuck Schulien	43.50
3. Jim Walker	35.66
4. Randy Bierce	26.33
5. Don Griffith	26.00
6. John Dailey	24.00
7. Mike Richardson	22.50
8. Konnie Dolgovskij	21.66
9. Markle Butcher	19.16
10. Joe Ancrile	18.33

We have been thinking about ways to improve the Grand Prix system, as it is only two years old and we are still working out the bugs. All changes to this system must be addressed at the annual WVCA meeting held before the State tournament in September. One idea is to allow members of other state organizations be eligible for the WVCA Grand Prix. If they are playing in WV and supporting these tournaments, why should they be penalized for belonging to another state's chess organization. If you any other ideas, questions or comments you wish to share about the WVCA Grand Prix, please send them to us.

Currently, the 1994-1995 Grand Prix is underway with six tournaments (as of January) listed as WVCA Grand Prix events.

- 1 - WV State Championship
- 2 - Parkersburg October Open
- 3 - Parkersburg November Open
- 4 - Parkersburg December Open
- 5 - Al Duvall Commemorative
- 6 - Cross Lanes Open

All tournaments listed on the events page that are contested in WV are eligible for WVCA Grand Prix.

Upcoming Events in the WVCA area

March 4-5 1995 Parkersburg Open: 5-SS, NS, NC, W
TC: 50/2, 15/30. EF: \$25 if rec'd by 2/27, \$30 at site
\$3 discount to OCA, WVCA or OSA.

Site: Comfort Suites, Mineral Wells, WV
(I-77 Exit 170)

Prizes: \$\$350 based on 30 entries, distribution based on attendance with 3 place prizes and prizes in each rating class. Prizes will be increased based on attendance.

Trophy to champion, 1st U1700 and 1st U1400.

Reg: 8:30 - 9:45 am Rounds: Sat 10-3-8 Sun 10-3

Hotel Rates: \$59 for 1-4 in room, free breakfast.

Entries: Ohio Chess Projects, PO Box 151, Barlow, OH 45712. For more Info: Rev. John Kay (614) 678-2248 or send e-mail to jkrev@aol.com

March 10-12 Atlantic Class Championships: See next page for details.

March 25 French City Benefit: 4-SS, G/60

Site: St Peters Episcopal Church Activity Center, 541 2nd St. Gallipolis, OH 45631 (located in SE Ohio).

EF: \$13 if rec'd by 3/20, \$15 at site, \$1 off to state memberships. Prizes: 75% of EFs. NS, NC, W

Reg: 9:00-9:45am Rounds: 10-12:45-3-5:15

Info: Mike Dey (614) 446-1704 eves

Entries: Walter Bagnall, 1591 Pattonsville Road, Jackson, OH 45640

March 25 French City Scholastic Challenge:

5-SS, G/30, NS, NC, W

Site: St Peters Episcopal Church Activity Center, 541 2nd St. Gallipolis, OH 45631 (located in SE Ohio).

Open to grades K-12. EF: none. Trophy and door prizes donated by Rotary Club.

Reg: 9:00-9:45am Rounds: 10-11:15-1-2:15-3:30.

Coaches: Call ahead to Mike Dey (614) 446-1704 eves

Entries: Walter Bagnall, 1591 Pattonsville Road, Jackson, OH 45640

April 8 Spring Fling: 4-SS, G/60, NS, NC, W

Site: Comfort Suites, Mineral Wells, WV
(I-77 Exit 170)

Rounds: 10-12:45-3-5:15 Reg: 9:00-9:45am

EF: \$12 if rec'd by 4/3, \$15 at site. \$\$ b/entries

Entries to: Joe Ancrile, Box 271, Elizabeth, WV 26143

For info: (304) 275-3689 or send e-mail to gvr72a@prodigy.com

May 13 Lucky 13: 4-SS, G/75, NS, NC, W

Site: Comfort Suites, Mineral Wells, WV
(I-77 Exit 170)

Two Sections: Open and U1600.

Rounds: 10-12:30-3-5:30 Reg: 9:00-9:45am

EF: \$12 if rec'd by 5/8, \$15 at site. \$\$ b/entries.

Entries to: Ohio Chess Projects, PO Box 151, Barlow, OH 45712. For info: (614) 678-2248 or send e-mail to jkrev@aol.com

June 3 Zugswang: 4-SS, G/60, NS, NC, W

Site: Comfort Suites, Mineral Wells, WV
(I-77 Exit 170)

Rounds: 10-12:45-3-5:15 Reg: 9:00-9:45am

EF: \$12 if rec'd by 5/29, \$15 at site. \$\$ b/entries

Entries to: Patrick Kelly, 104 Iroquois Drive Marietta, OH 45750 (614) 374-0538

June 10 Charleston Open: 4-SS, G/80, NS, NC, W

Site: Lake Chaweva Clubhouse,

5101 West Washington St, Cross Lanes, WV 25313

Rounds: 10-1-4-7 Reg: 9:00-9:45 am

EF: \$18, \$15 Charleston CC members, \$9 under 18

\$\$ 1st prize \$100, 2nd prize \$50, b/25

Entries to: Donald Griffith, 2718 Lakeview Drive St.. Albans, WV 25177 (304) 727-5009

If you have seen this issue of the WVCA Bulletin and would like to subscribe, all you need to do is to join the WVCA. WVCA membership offers discounts to certain tournaments, such as WV State Championship and this month's Parkersburg Open. Also, you get a year's worth of local chess news and results.

To join WVCA, send \$7 for a one year membership to the WVCA Treasurer:

Tom Bergquist

4375 Bowman Hill Road
Huntington, West Virginia 25701

If you have any submissions: games, tournament announcements, questions, comments, or complaints, please send them to me:

Tom LaBue

135 Shawnee Drive
Buckhannon, WV 26201

TD's, please send all event listings for June - September. Please have your mailings to me by April 30. The tentative date for the spring issue is the May 15. It will highlight events that took place between January through March.

Top 25 West Virginia Chess ratings (as of February 1995 ratings supplement)

Regular (Over-the-Board)	Quick Chess (10 & 15 minute)	Correspondence
1. Bob Bukovac 2284 X6	1. Bob Bukovac 2271 m5	1. Jim McAlister 2237 R
2. Don Griffith 2168 X7	2. Don Griffith 2243 x9	2. Markle Butcher 2161 /10
3. Mark Hathaway 2150 X5	3. John Roush 2235/18	3. John Roush 2071 Q
4. Terry Anvil 2138 X4	4. Mark Hathaway 2158 x2	4. David M. Hill 2027 P
5. John Roush 2115 m4	5. Andy Katz 2152 m5	5. Jeffrey Jackson 1995 P
6. Jim Walker 2100 M5	6. Jim Walker 2104 X9	6. Byron Funkhouser 1931 P
7. Dennis Funkhouser 2100 X0	7. Randy Bierce 2064 A9	7. Terry Riley 1917 O
8. Ed Garner 2082 x0	8. Dennis Funkhouser 2050 A2	8. Charles R. Hubbard 1897 /9
9. Andy Katz 2047 x0	9. Terry Anvil 2037/16	9. Dan O'Hanlon 1855/23
10. Jim McAlister 2012 a8	10. Jim McAlister 2022 x5	10. Tom LaBue 1797 /12
11. Gary Hardin 2000 X5	11. Konnie Dolgovskij 1958 A2	11. Jerry Gogol 1730 O
12. Bernard Kiernan 2000 x2	12. Jim Gikas 1941 x4	12. Richard Sheppard 1610 /6
13. Jim Gikas 1929 A7	13. Gary Hardin 1914 A7	13. Scott Antes 1551 /6
14. Konnie Dolgovskij 1925 x9	14. Byron Funkhouser 1878 x4	14. Stephen Lopez 1539 /12
15. Randy Bierce 1906 x4	15. Gary Cummings 1877/19	15. Ben Good 1461 /6
16. Craig Rabatin 1870 B2	16. Dan O'Hanlon 1864 a9	
17. Peter Dessaulles 1850 B0	17. John Brewster 1844 a2	
18. Byron Funkhouser 1849 a5	18. Prashant Chandra 1816 B5	
19. Gary Cummings 1849 a0	19. Jerry Skeen 1800 a5	
20. George Mullins, Jr 1839 B7	20. Markle Butcher 1775 a5	
21. Harold Mitchell 1830 a5	21. George Mullins, Jr 1762 b7	
22. Prashant Chandra 1822 B2	22. Mike Richardson 1700/14	
23. Jerry Skeen 1774 a5	23. David Michael 1661 C2	
24. John M. Brewster 1770 a9	24. Scott Antes 1638 /8	
25. Dan O'Hanlon 1764 a6	25. Gary Morris 1633 b5	

Note: To be eligible: must be listed as WV resident in USCF ratings supplement and must have played a rated game since January 1994.

Postal ratings are incomplete pending a list from WVCA.

3rd annual ATLANTIC CLASS CHAMPIONSHIPS March 10-12 or 11-12, 1995

5-rd Swiss, 40/2, SD/1 (2-day option, rd 1 G/60), Cliffside Inn, US Hwy 340, Harpers Ferry, WV 25425 (70 minutes drive from Washington or Baltimore, 2 hours from Harrisburg).

Prizes \$6000 based on 140 paid entries, otherwise proportional; minimum 2/3 of each prize guaranteed. Unr must enter Unr section. In 6 sections; you play only those in your section:

Master-Expert (over 1998): \$\$ 700-350-200, U2200/unr \$400-200. FIDE rated, 20 GPP.
Class A (1800-1999): \$\$ 500-300-150.
Class B (1600-1799): \$\$ 500-300-150.
Class C (1400-1599): \$\$ 500-300-150.
Class D/E (Under 1400): \$500-300-150.

Unrated: \$\$ 200-100-50. A USCF-rated section; players obtain ratings. Provisionally rated players are not unrated.

Entry fee: 3-day \$68, 2-day \$67 mailed by 3/2, both \$70 with Visa/Mastercard by 3/8, all \$75 at site. Rated players may play one class up for \$10 extra. Advance EF \$5 less to WVCA members. Life 2600s free; \$50 deducted from any prize. USCF membership required.

Special entry fee: \$30 less for Unr Section. \$30 less to juniors under 18 who are below 1600. Special EF players count as half entries in prize calculation, but are eligible to win full prizes.

Visa/Mastercard accepted at site, by mail or phone (for credit card entries, call Steve Immitt 6-11 pm at 212-675-0256 or 212-477-3716).

3-day schedule: Reg. ends Fri 7 pm, rds. Fri 8, Sat 1 & 7:15, Sun 10 & 4:15.

2-day schedule: Reg. ends Sat. 9 am, 1st rd 10 am, then merges with 3-day.

All: 1/2-pt byes OK all rounds; rds 4-5 must commit before rd 2. Re-entry \$50. No smoking. Bring sets, boards, clocks if possible.

Hotel rates: \$41 single, \$47 twin, 800-782-9437, 304-535-6302, reserve by 2/17.

Entries: Steve Immitt, PO Box 198, Old Chelsea Station, New York, NY 10011. Checks payable to Steve Immitt.

Questions: 914-496-9658 (1/4-23 or 3/8), 212-675-0256 or 212-477-3716 (most evenings 1/24-3/8; midweek is best).

Walker, Kelly, and Whitacre Tie for First at the Parkersburg October Open

Jim Walker, Pat Kelly and Fred Whitacre finished in a three way tie for the number one position at the Parkersburg October Open held at the Comfort Inn in Mineral Wells. John Kay directed this tourney held with twenty-nine entrants. Jim and Fred drew in their final round encounter as Pat Kelly outlasted Randy Bierce to stake their claims for number one. Top B players were Mike Richardson, Walter Bagnall and Joe Ancrile. Aaron Richardson won the 'C' class outright and Tom LaBue was the top class D player, each achieving a total of two and a half points. Charles Haid also played well, scoring wins against Mike Baker and Walter Bagnall. Alvin Vavrek continued his strong showing at Parkersburg events, scoring two points in three rounds, including draws against co-State champ Jim Gikas and first place finisher Pat Kelly. This was a WVCA Grand Prix event, with Jim Walker and Pat Kelly each earning five bonus points and Konnie Dolgovskij earning two.

PLR #	NAME	ST	PreRate	PostRate	1	2	3	4	Total
1	WALKER, JIM	WV	2100*M5	2106*M5	W--15	W--20	W---4	D---3	3.5
2	KELLY, PAT	OH	1955*A0	1973*A0	W--10	D--13	W--21	W---6	3.5
3	WHITACRE, FRED	OH	1902*A5	1931*A5	W--18	W--17	W---5	D---1	3.5
4	DOLGOVSKIJ, KONNIE	WV	1900*x9	1907*x9	W--19	W---9	L---1	W--14	3.0
5	FOLEY, DANIEL	OH	1924*a5	1907*a5	W--23	W--7	L---3	D---9	2.5
6	BIERCE, RANDY	WV	1900*x4	1903*x4	W--16	W--22	D--12	L---2	2.5
7	RICHARDSON, MIKE	WV	1730*A5	1714*A5	W--24	L---5	D--11	W--17	2.5
8	BAGNALL, WALTER	OH	1688*A5	1658*A5	L--17	W--28	W--19	D--10	2.5
9	ANCRILE, JOE	WV	1663*b7	1672*b7	W--27	L---4	W--16	D---5	2.5
10	RICHARDSON, AARON	WV	1469*c2	1491*c2	L---2	W--29	W--27	D---8	2.5
11	LA BUE, TOM	WV	1352*D7	1411*c7	L--20	W--15	D---7	W--22	2.5
12	JACOBSON, ELIOT	OH	2118*x7	2107*x7	W--14	D--21	D---6	U---	2.0
13	VAVREK, ALVIN	OH	1643*C0	1666*C0	W--26	D---2	D--20	U---	2.0
14	DAILEY, JOHN	WV	1630*b9	1637*b9	L--12	W--18	W--24	L---4	2.0
15	MC LEAR, BOB	WV	1463*c7	1449*c7	L---1	L--11	W--28	W--24	2.0
16	SHOCK, BOB	WV	1389/04	1406/08	L---6	W--25	L---9	W--27	2.0
17	HAID, CHARLES	WV	1294*d7	1347*D7	W---8	L---3	W--22	L---7	2.0
18	PORTLEY, ADAM	OH	UNR	1527/04	L---3	L--14	W--26	W--29	2.0
19	CROSS, TIM	WV	UNR	1467/04	L---4	W--26	L---8	W--25	2.0
20	GIKAS, JIM	WV	1925*A7	1907*A7	W--11	L---1	D--13	U---	1.5
21	RUTHERFORD, DAVE	OH	1900*A7	1900*A7	W--29	D--12	L---2	U---	1.5
22	BAKER, MIKE	WV	1647*B4	1600*B4	W--25	L---6	L--17	L--11	1.0
23	BOYCE, MARVIN	WV	1417*D0	1409*D0	L---5	L--24	W--29	U---	1.0
24	MERCER, JONETTE	WV	1234*D0	1245*D0	L---7	W--23	L--14	L--15	1.0
25	HAYNES, GLENN	WV	1140*0	1128*0	L--22	L--16	B---	L--19	1.0
26	SALMON, BILL	WV	1138*E4	1135*E4	L--13	L--19	L--18	W--28	1.0
27	PRICE, MIKE	WV	888*0	885*0	L--9	B---	L--10	L--16	1.0
28	PARKER, JEAN	WV	755/04	873/07	B---	L--8	L--15	L--26	1.0
29	JORDAN, JIM	WV	1438*D2	1392*D2	L--21	L--10	L--23	L--18	0.0

For the schedule of upcoming Parkersburg events, including the two day Parkersburg Open in March, turn to page 2. Make your plans early to attend the 1995 West Virginia State Chess Championship to be contested in Parkersburg, WV. With the large turnouts for the Parkersburg events so far, this could be the largest state tournament field in years. Set aside Labor Day weekend to come and enjoy the finest of WV Chess.

Parkersburg October Open Games

Notes by Markle Butcher

Randy Bierce (A) - Robert Shock (UNR), Round 1
English Defense

1. c4 e5 2. Nc3 Bc5 3. Nf3 d6 4. g3 Nf6 5. d3 O-O
6. Bg2 Ng4 7. O-O Bd7 8. Rb1 Nc6 9. a3 Nd4 10. b4
Nxf3+ 11. Bxf3 Bd4 12. Ne4 Qe8 13. e3 f5? *This just
loses material, but the only other choice also leaves
Randy in charge* 13.. Bb6 14. c5 dxc5 15. bxc5 Ba5 16.
Rxb7 14. exd4 fxe4 15. Bxg4 exd4 16. Bxd7 Qxd7
17. dxe4 c5 18. Qh5 b6 19. Qd5+ Kh8 20. bxc5 bxc5
21. Rb7 Qg4 22. Qxd6 Rad8 23. Qxc5 Qxc4 24. Rd7
Rde8 25. Rxd4 Qb7 26. Be3 Rec8 27. Qb5 Qf7
28. Rd7 Qe6 29. Rfd1 h6 30. c5 Qg4 31. Qd3 Qg6??
32. Qxg6 Black resigns 1-0

Glenn Haynes (E) - Mike Baker (B), Round 1
French Defense

1. e4 e6 2. Nf3 d5 3. Nc3 d4 4. Ne2 Nc6 5. d3 e5 6. Bg5
f6 7. Bh4 *It's amazing how much trouble you can get
into after just 7 moves. White's pieces are doing
absolutely nothing and Mike can develop freely.* 7...Bg4
8. Ng3 Bb4+ 9. Ke2 Qd7! 10. Qc1 O-O-O 11. c3 dxc3
12. bxc3 Bxf3+ *Making sure the knight can't block the
check after Qxd3+ followed by Bxc3+ as in the game.*
13. gxf3 Qxd3 14. Ke1 Bxc3+ 15. Qxc3 Qxc3+
16. Ke2 Qd2+ mate 0-1

Eliot Jacobson (CM) - Dave Rutherford (A), Round 2
Sicilian Defense, Dragon Variation

1. Nf3 g6 2. e4 c5 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nxd4 Nc6 5. c4 Bg7
6. Be3 Nf6 7. Nc3 Ng4 8. Qxg4 Nxd4 9. Qd1 Ne6?!
10. Qd2 Qa5 11. Rc1 b6 12. Bd3 Bb7 13. f3 Qe5
14. Bb1 g5 15. O-O h6 16. Rfd1 d6 17. b4 O-O
18. Nd5 Rfe8 19. c5 dxc5 20. bxc5 bxc5 21. Bxc5 Bxd5
22. exd5 Nxc5 23. Rxc5 Rac8 24. Rc6 Red8 *The game
now ends in a quick draw.* 25. Qc2 Rxc6 26. Qxc6 Qe2
27. Qc2 Bd4+ 28. Kh1 Qxc2 29. Bxc2 Rxd5 30. Bb3
Rd6 31. g3 Draw agreed 1/2 - 1/2

Michael Richardson (B) - Daniel Foley (A), Round 2
Benoni Defense

1. d4 Nf6 2. f3 c5 3. d5 d6 4. e4 g6 5. c4 Bg7 6. Nc3
O-O 7. Bg5 a6 8. Qd2 Nbd7 9. Bh6 Rb8 10. Bxg7
Kxg7 11. Nh3 Ne5 12. Nf2 Bd7 13. f4 Neg4 14. Nxc4
Nxc4 15. h3 Nf6 16. Be2 Qc7 17. O-O *The king will
find no shelter here because the dark squares on the
kingside are very weak, but he can't stay in the center
much longer.* 17...b5 18. cxb5 axb5 19. Qe3 b4 20. e5
bxc3 21. exf6+ exf6 22. Qxc3 Rfe8 23. Bc4 Qb6 24. b3
Qb4 25. Qg3 Qd2 26. Rf3? Qd4+ 27. White resigns 0-1

Bob McLearn (C) - Tom LaBue (D), Round 2
Nimzo - Indian Defense

1. d4 Nf6 2. Bf4 e6 3. c4 Bb4+ 4. Nc3 O-O 5. Qc2 Nc6
6. Nf3 d5 7. a3 Bxc3 8. Qxc3 h6 9. c5 b6? 10. cxb6
cxb6? *No, this not a planned knight sac!!* 11. Qxc6
Bd7 12. Qc7 Qxc7 *Avoiding the queen trade with Qe8
or Qe7 loses the exchange on f8 to Bd6. I also didn't
want Bob to load up on the c-file with Rcl.* 13. Bxc7
Rfc8 14. Bf4 Ba4 15. Rc1 Ne4 16. Rc7 Rxc7 17. Bxc7
Rc8 18. Bf4 g4 19. Bd2 Nxd2 20. Kxd2 *Not 20. Nxd2
Rcl mate 20...Rc2+* 21. Ke3 Rxb2 22. Nd2 Ra2
23. Nb1 Bc2 24. Nc3 Rxa3 25. Kd2 Bg6 26. e3 Rb3
27. Nd1 a5 28. Be2 a4 29. Nc3 Rb2+ 30. Ke1 a3 31. f3
a2 32. Kf2 Rc2 33. Na4 Rxe2+ !? *I'm not sure that this
is the best move, but I knew I could queen the a-pawn.
Worth looking at is 33...Bd3* 34. Re1 a1/Q 35. Rxa1
Rxe2+ 36. Kgl b5 34. Kxe2 Bb1 35. Nc3 a1/Q
36. Rxb1? *This loses the knight, Bob needed to capture
with knight. This is still a tough game, if Black can
advance his passed b-pawn he should win, but it is much
tougher than it looks.* 36...Qxc3 37. Rxb6 Qc2+ 38. Kf1
Qd1+ 39. Kf2 Qd2+ 40. Kg3 Qxe3
41. White resigns 0-1

Dave Rutherford (A) - Pat Kelly (A), Round 3
Sicilian Defense, Rossolimo Attack

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. Bb5+ Bd7 4. Bxd7+ Qxd7 5. O-O
Nc6 6. c3 Nf6 7. Re1 e6 8. d4 cxd4 9. cxd4 d5 10. e5
Ne4 11. Nbd2 Nxd2 12. Bxd2 Be7 13. a3 O-O 14. b4
b5 15. Qb3 a6 16. Rac1 Rfc8 17. Qd3 Na7 18. h4 h6
19. Rc3 Rc4 20. Rec1 Rac8 21. g3 R8c6 22. Nh2 Nc8
23. Ng4 h5 24. Ne3 Rxc3 25. Rxc3 Nb6 26. Rxc6 Qxc6
27. Qc3 Nc4 28. Nc2 Bd8 29. Kg2 Bb6 30. f3 Qc7
31. Kf2 Qa7 32. Ke2 f6 33. f4 f5 34. Be1 Qf7 35. Bf2
Qg6 36. Ne3 Qf7 37. Ng2 Qa7 38. Ne1 a5 39. Nf3 Kf8
40. Nd2 Qc7 41. Nxc4 dxc4 42. Be1 Qc6 43. bxa5
Qe4+ 44. Qe3 Bxd4 45. Qxe4 fxe4 46. Bb4+ Ke8
47. Bd2 Kd7 48. Be3 Bc3 49. Bb6 Kc6
50. White lost on time 0-1

Konnie Dolgovskij (A) - John Dailey (B), Round 4
Dutch Defense

1. d4 f5 2. Nf3 Nf6 3. Bg5 e6 4. e3 c6 5. Nbd2 d5
6. Ne5 Bd6 7. Ndf3 O-O 8. Nd3 Nbd7 9. Be2 b6
10. Bf4 Bxf4 11. Nxf4 Qe7 12. c3 Ne4 13. Nd3 Ba6
14. Qa4 Bb7 15. Nfe5 Nxe5 16. Nxe5 c5 17. Bd3 cxd4
18. exd4 Qg5 19. O-O f4 20. f3 Nf6 21. Qc2 b5
22. Qe2 h4 23. Ng6 Re8 24. Qe5 Qxe5 25. Nxe5 g5
26. Rae1 Kg7 27. Rf2 Rad8 28. Rfe2 Be8 29. Nc6 Rd6
30. Nxa7 Bd7 31. Nb5 Bxb5 32. Bxb5 Ra8 33. a3 Kf7
34. Re5 Rg8 35. Ba4 g4 36. Bd1 g3 37. h3 Re8 38. Rg5
Rg8 39. Rxc8 Nxc8 40. Re5 Kg6 41. Bc2+ Kh6
42. Kf1 Ne7 43. Ke1 Nc6 44. Re2 Na5 45. Bd3 Kg5
46. Kd2 Nc6 47. Bb5 Nd8 48. Re5+ Kh6 49. Be8 b5
50. Rh5+ Kg7 51. Rxc4 e5 52. Bxb5 Rb6 53. a4 e4

How to Improve Your Chess by Joe Ancrile

A chess topic which has always fascinated me is how to improve. I have read numerous articles on the subject and have sought the advice of experts and masters. I have joined chess clubs, taken chess lessons, read chess books, listened to chess tapes, and played in chess tournaments. Here I plan to share some of the best ideas I have encountered--with two caveats. First, I have learned that there is no single secret to the problem of chess improvement, just as there no single secret to developing a great golf swing. Second, my own tournament results over the years have not improved that much, so I cannot testify personally about what really works. But at least I CAN share a sampling of what I've seen or heard in the hopes that YOUR game might benefit. Here goes.

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I consider that the analysis of one's own games is the main method by which a chessplayer can improve, and I am convinced that it is impossible for a player to improve without a critical understanding of his own games. [GM Artur Yusupov]

The best way to improve is to dissect a master game until you completely understand it. [NM Gabriel Sanchez]

The best way to improve is to analyze games in depth--both the games of others and your own--writing down your analysis at critical points. Also, take lessons from a strong player to see how he thinks. [IM Andrew Martin]

To broaden your overall chess skills, choose one concrete position and analyze it exhaustively. Only after you have painstakingly unearthed every latent strategic idea and tactical nuance should you proceed to a different position. [GM Lev Alburt]

Spend half your study time analyzing your own games. Identify and correct the faults. It's the most productive form of chess study. If possible, have a stronger player review your games with you. Most chess players don't do significant high-quality studying because of its mental painfulness. [Expert Rolf Wetzell]

You must create a small but simple opening repertoire, so that you spend as little time as possible studying the openings. That is by far the most unproductive time you spend. Also, study the endgame more. Your whole concept of the game becomes much clearer, just from the

understanding of endgame themes. [Julio Kaplan]

The most important thing is to play strong players. An equal mixture of play and study is good. [GM Walter Browne]

In general you should play as many strong players as you can. [GM Arthur Bisguier]

Play a lot. You don't have to study that much but you must play. When you play you are able to learn from your mistakes so it's important to look at all your losses in a very honest way. [GM John Fedorowicz]

Remember that there is no free lunch. You can't expect an easy method for improvement to pop up. Hard work is the only way. [GM Joel Benjamin]

Look at the games of masters and study chess books. [GM Viktor Korchnoi]

Play someone who is a little bit better than you are. [GM Samuel Reshevsky]

For the average tournament player--don't take your losses too hard. You're going to have to lose lots of games if you want to improve so play the strongest players you can. [GM Yasser Seirawan]

Study lots of games. Playing over games is much more interesting than just sitting there and learning openings. [GM Bent Larsen]

Play over lots of games with explanations. Play the lines that you know. Don't experiment and try everything. [GM Daniel Yanofsky]

Go over master games, cover up each move and try to figure out what the next move would be. Then compare your choice with the move actually made. You can improve your chess a great deal by this. [GM Miguel Quinteros]

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And finally a bit of advice about playing better basketball, but who knows? It may apply in chess as well. At this point I'll try anything.

You have to concentrate but not too hard. [Magic Johnson]

Featured Games from Parkersburg November Open

One of the prizes to be handed out from the Parkersburg November Open was Best Game Competition. SM Chuck Schulien judged the games and picked the two winners. The identities of the contestants were withheld from Chuck. We present the two winning games with annotation by Chuck.

All notes by SM Chuck Schulien

Byron Funkhouser (A) - Jim Gikas (A), Round 3
Sicilian Defense, Sveshnikov variation

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nxd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 e5
This Sveshnikov/Lasker/Pelikan variation is very popular. Black obtains high activity for the pieces at the cost of weakening his position, especially the point d5.
6. Ndb5 *White plays the correct move, threatening*
7. Nd6+ . *Both players follow the theoretical recommendations.* 6...d6 7. Bg5 a6 8. Na3 b5 9. Nd5 Be7 10. Bxf6 Bxf6 11. c3 Ne7!/? *This is an interesting move, taking the game away from the main variation. Black's idea is to quickly rid himself of the strong knight on d5.* 11...O-O 12. Nc2 Rb8 *Black prepares for a2-a4.* 13. Be2 Bg5 14. O-O a5 15. Nce3 Be6 16. Qd3 +/- *Both sides have completed development, and White's grip on d5 give slightly better prospects.* 12. Nxf6+ gxf6 13. Nc2 *Sometimes the "standard" reply is not sufficient. White needed to think how to deal with Bb7 on move thirteen.* 13. g3!/? *This move is suggested by Scheider. White's idea is to oppose the Black bishop on the long light diagonal.* 13... Bb7 14. Bg2 f5 15. Qe2 *The position is unclear, but Drasko and Jovcic think that White's chances may be slightly preferable.* 13...Bb7 14. Qg4!/? *White plays an aggressive move, but loses too much time by exposing the queen.* [14. Bd3 f5 *White is in trouble due to various tactical possibilities.* 15 Qe2 (15. Qf3 d5! *White cannot prevent the opponent from getting a pawn on e4*) 15...d5! *Whichever way White captures,* 16...e4 *wins a piece*] [14. Qd3 d5 15. exd5 Nxd5 16. Ne3 Nf4 *Black's active pieces compensate for any pawn weaknesses.*] 14...Rg8 *Black takes the initiative, and keeps it!* 15. Qh4 Ng6 16. Qxh7 16. Qg4!/? *This is not good, but perhaps better than the game.* 16...Rh8 17. Qg7 Bxe4 -/+ *White's center pawn is gone, and his queen is trapped. The position is clearly a losing one.* 18. Ne3 f5 19. f3?! *White has no good moves, but this aids in Black's development.* 19...Qg5 20. Nd1 Bc6 21. Nf2 Ke7 22. a4 Rag8 *White's queen is now lost, and the struggle is, for all intents and purposes, ended.* 23. Qxg8 Rxg8 24. h4 Qe3+ 25. Be2 Nf4 26. O-O Nxe2+ 27. Kh1 Ng3+ 28. Kg1 Nxf1 29. Rxf1 Bxf3 30. axb5 Rxg2+ 31. Kh1 Rxf2+ 32. Kg1 Rxf1+ 33. Kxf1 Qe2+ 34. Kg1 Qg2+ *mate 0-1*

Jerry Skeen (B) - Ed Garner (X) , Round 4

1. g3 f5 2. Nf3 Nf6 3. Bg2 e6 4. b3 *White prefers a*

flank game to the main line Dutch (after 4. d4) 4...Be7 5. Bb2 O-O 6. d3 *Castling is more flexible at move six.* 6. O-O d6 7. d4 *could transpose to the Classical Dutch.* 6...d6 *Black logically prepares ...e5* 7. Nbd2 e5 8. e3 *White continues to play safe, quiet moves. The trouble with this policy is that if you do not fight for the center, the opponent gains the initiative.* 8...Nc6 9. Qe2 e4!/? *Black decides to strike quickly, but in doing so creates weaknesses. This leads to an interesting fight.* 9...Qe8 = 9...Kh8 = 10. dxe4 fxe4 [10...Nxe4 11. Nxe4 fxe4 12. Nd2 d5 13. c4 Nb4 14. O-O c6 +/- *Black has no major problems, but fewer opportunities than in the game.*] 11. Ng5 d5 12. c4 Nb4 13. O-O h6 14. Nh3 Nd3 14...Bg4! *forces White to accept an isolated e-pawn.* 15. f3 exf3 16. Nxf3 Bc5!/? *unclear* 15. Bxf6! *White correctly gives up the dark squared bishop in order to place more pressure on the center pawns.* 15...Bxf6 16. Rab1 c6 17. Nf4 Ne5? 17...Nxf4 18. exf4 Bf5 19. cxd5 cxd5 20. Rbc1 *unclear* 18. cxd5 cxd5 19. Qb5 +/- *White should be winning.* 19...Kh8 20. Qxd5 Qxd5 21. Nxd5 Rd8 22. Bxe4 *It is amazing that Black find counterplay on this position!* 22...Be6 23. Nxf6? *White thinks that by exchanging he will increase his advantage. This is often true, but now Black gains an active Rook on the seventh rank.* 23. Nc7 Rxd2 (23...Bh3 24. Nxa8 Bxf1 25. Nxf1 Rxa8 26. Bxb7 +/- *White is three pawns ahead, and completely winning.*) 24. Nxa8 +/- 23...Rxd2 24. Nh5 Rxa2 25. Nf4 Bf7 *White's position is no longer an easily winning one.* 26. Rfd1 g5 27. Nd5 27. Nd3 *White should think about driving away Black's knight.* 27...Ng4 28. Rf1 *If White must play* 28. Rf1, *it is clear that things have gone a bit wrong.* 28...Rd8 29. Nc3 Rad2 30. Bxb7 30. h3!/? Ne5 31 Bxb7 Rb8 32. Ne4 Nf3+ *does not seem dangerous* 30...Rb8 31. Ne4 31. Bf3 Ne5 32. Bd1 *White's position is awkward.* 31...Ra2 32. Nc5 Rc2 33. Rbc1 *White gives up two pieces for a rook, an interesting way to relieve pressure on his game.* 33. b4 a5 *There is no easy way for White to resolve the complications.* 33...Rxc5 34. Rxc5 Rxb7 35. h3 Nf6 *White still has some winning chances.* 36. Rd1 36. Rb1 *An exchange of rooks should favor White.* 36...Rxb3 37. Rdc1 37. Rc7 +/- 37...Kg7 38. Rc7 a5 39. Ra1 Kg6 40. Ra7 Be6 41. g4 Rb2 42. f4!/? *White is attacking with the pawns, but this also weakens his king position.* 42. Ra6 Bd5 43. R6xa5 *Black's active pieces may still be able to hold the game.* 42...gxf4 43. exf4 Bd5 44. R1xa5 Rb1+ 45. Kf2 Rb2+ 46. Ke3 46. Kg3 *White's king participates in the attack!* 46...Rb3+ 47. Kh4 Bg2 48. f5+ *Check and mate!* 46... Rb3+ 47. Kd4 Rb4+ 48. Kc5 Rc4+ 49. Kd6 Rc6+ 50. Ke5 *This is an amusing position; White's king cannot find peace anywhere near the action.* 50. Ke5 Re6+ 51. Kd4 Re4+ 52. Kd3 Rxf4 = *Draw agreed*

4-Way Tie for First at the November Parkersburg Open

Jim Walker, Eliot Jacobson, Konnie Dolgovskij and Jim Gikas each received a share of first place at the November Parkersburg Open. With forty competitors mixing it up at the Parkersburg Best Western, and Joe Ancrile directing, this was the best turnout of the year (until December's fifty). In round 4, Jim Walker and Eliot Jacobson quickly drew, leaving Jim Gikas a chance for the outright title; but, Jim and Pat Kelly also drew leaving the first place tie. There was also a brilliancy prize, judged by SM Chuck Schulien, given to Jim Gikas for his third round drubbing of Byron Funkhouser. Second prize to Jerry Skeen for his final round struggle with Ed Garner that ended in a draw. Class B prize was shared by Markle Butcher and Michael Taylor. Class C clinched by Richard Sheppard with a draw against Fred Whitacre. Bob Blackwell, Bill Salmon, Chris Vannoy and Clyde Sutherland all shared class D/E.

PLR #	NAME	ST	PreRate	PostRate	1	2	3	4	Total
1	WALKER, JIM	WV	2108*M5	2117*M5	W--19	W--30	W--11	D--2	3.5
2	JACOBSON, ELIOT	OH	2107*x7	2116*x7	W--18	W--8	W--6	D--1	3.5
3	DOLGOVSKIJ, KONNIE	WV	1907*x9	1921*x9	W--21	W--17	D--14	W--12	3.5
4	GIKAS, JIM	WV	1907*A7	1931*A7	W--32	W--9	W--7	D--5	3.5
5	KELLY, PAT	OH	1968*A0	1967*A0	W--22	W--13	D--12	D--4	3.0
6	BIERCE, RANDY	WV	1903*x4	1906*x4	W--23	W--15	L--2	W--17	3.0
7	FUNKHOUSER, BYRON	WV	1850*a5	1841*a5	W--35	W--29	L--4	W--21	3.0
8	BUTCHER, MARKLE	WV	1748*B6	1751*B6	W--24	L--2	W--22	W--25	3.0
9	TAYLOR, MICHAEL	OH	1670*b5	1694*b7	W--26	L--4	W--33	W--16	3.0
10	GARNER, ED	WV	2117*x0	2085*x0	W--28	L--12	W--18	D--13	2.5
11	WHITACRE, FRED	OH	1933*A5	1913*A5	W--34	W--20	L--1	D--15	2.5
12	RABATIN, CRAIG	WV	1835*B0	1855*B2	W--36	W--10	D--5	L--3	2.5
13	SKEEN, JERRY	WV	1731*B0	1740*B0	W--40	L--5	W--32	D--10	2.5
14	VAVREK, ALVIN	OH	1666*C0	1701*C0	W--37	W--16	D--3	U--	2.5
15	SHEPPARD, RICHARD	WV	1499*c7	1526*c9	W--25	L--6	W--35	D--11	2.5
16	RUTHERFORD, DAVE	OH	1900*A7	1900*A7	W--33	L--14	W--19	L--9	2.0
17	MC GARY, FRED	OH	1700*B0	1700*B0	W--31	L--3	W--23	L--6	2.0
18	RICHARDSON, AARON	WV	1505*c2	1508*C2	L--2	W--36	L--10	W--35	2.0
19	LABUE, TOM	WV	1411*c7	1412*c7	L--1	W--24	L--16	W--29	2.0
20	BOYCE, MARVIN	WV	1409*D0	1403*D0	W--38	L--11	D--29	D--27	2.0
21	SUTHERLAND, CLYDE	WV	1272/03	1510/07	L--3	W--31	W--30	L--7	2.0
22	BLACKWELL, BOB	OH	1261*0	1271*E2	L--5	W--40	L--8	W--36	2.0
23	SALMON, BILL	WV	1147*E4	1178*E6	L--6	W--26	L--17	W--37	2.0
24	VANNOY, CHRIS	WV	981/19	1016*c2	L--8	L--19	W--38	W--32	2.0
25	SMITH, JOHN	OH	UNR	1441/04	L--15	W--34	W--28	L--8	2.0
26	DAVIS, MARK	OH	UNR	1297/04	L--9	L--23	W--34	W--33	2.0
27	MC GUIRE, RONALD	WV	1610*C0	1603*C0	U--	U--	W--39	D--20	1.5
28	JORDAN, JIM	WV	1392*D2	1379*D2	L--10	H--	L--25	W--38	1.5
29	PRICE, MIKE	WV	887*0	899*0	B--	L--7	D--20	L--19	1.5
30	RICHARDSON, MIKE	WV	1735*A5	1707*A5	W--39	L--1	L--21	U--	1.0
31	CROSS, TIM	WV	1467/04	1310/08	L--17	L--21	L--36	W--40	1.0
32	HAI, CHARLES	WV	1347*D7	1319*D7	L--4	W--39	L--13	L--24	1.0
33	MERCER, JONETTE	WV	1245*D0	1231*D0	L--16	W--38	L--9	L--26	1.0
34	HAYNES, GLENN	WV	1126*0	1125*0	L--11	L--25	L--26	W--39	1.0
35	MACE, ROB ROY	WV	1103*0	1108*0	L--7	W--37	L--15	L--18	1.0
36	WINDLAND, JASON	WV	1001/08	1089/12	L--12	L--18	W--31	L--22	1.0
37	SMITH, CHRIS	WV	UNR	1020/04	L--14	L--35	W--40	L--23	1.0
38	DOVENBARGER, W.	OH	831/04	844/08	L--20	L--33	L--24	L--28	0.0
39	CRISS, ALEX	WV	UNR	1055/04	L--30	L--32	L--27	L--34	0.0
40	COMER, DAVID	WV	UNR	921/04	L--13	L--22	L--37	L--31	0.0

Parkersburg November Open Games

Here are two quickies that occurred in Round 1.

Mike Richardson (B) - Alex Criss (Unr), Round 1

1. d4 b5 2. Nf3 c6 3. e4 f6 4. c4 g5 5. Nxc5 fxc5

6. Qh5+ mate 1-0

Wayne Dovenbarger (Unr) - Martin Boyce (C), Round 1

1. d4 Nf6 2. e3 d5 3. Bd3 Nc6 4. Nf3 Bg4 5. Nbd2 Nb4

6. Be2 Bh5 7. c4 Bg6 8. White resigns 0-1

Alvin Vavrek (B) - Dave Rutherford (A), Round 2

1. d4 c5 2. Nf3 cxd4 3. Nxd4 d5 4. Bf4 f6 5. Bg3 e5

6. Nb3 Be6 7. c3 Bd6 8. N1d2 Ne7 9. h3 O-O 10. e4

Nbc6 11. Bd3 Rc8 12. O-O a6 13. exd5 Bxd5 14. Qc2

f5 15. Bc4 b5 16. Bxd5+ Nxd5 17. Qd1 Nce7 18. Rc1

Ng6 19. c4 Ndf4 20. cxb5 axb5 21. Rxc8 Qxc8 22. Nf3

Rd8 23. Qb1 e4 24. Bxf4 Bxf4 25. Nfd4 Nh4 26. g3

Be5 27. Nxb5 Qb8 28. gxh4 Qxb5 29. Qc2 Qd5

30. Nc1 f4 31. b3 h6 32. Re1 Rd6 33. Qxe4 Qxe4

34. Rxe4 Bb2 35. Ne2 g5 36. hxg5 hxg5 37. Kg2 Kg7

38. h4 Black resigns 1-0

Welcome back to WV chess to both Ed Garner and
Craig Rabatin.

Craig Rabatin (A) - Ed Garner (X), Round 2

Dutch Defense

1. c4 f5 2. d4 Nf6 3. Nc3 e6 4. Nf3 Be7 5. Bf4 d6 6. g6

O-O 7. Bg2 Qe8 8. Nb5 Bd8 9. Qb3 Nc6 10. c5 Nd5

11. Bd2 Kh1 12. cxd6 cxd6 13. Nxd6 Qd7 14. Nxc8

Rxc8 15. O-O g4 16. Ne5 Qg7 17. Nxc6 Rxc6 18. Bxd5

exd5 19. Qxd5 f4 20. Bc3 Bc7 21. Qb3 Rh6 22. Qxb7

Qd7 23. Qg2 g4 24. Qe4 f3 25. Qe3 Rh3 26. d5+ Kg8

27. Qg5+Kf7 28. exf3 gxf3 29. Qg7+ Black resigns 1-0

Fred McGary (B) - Konnie Dolgovskij (B), Round 2

Alekhine's Defense

1. e4 Nf6 2. e5 Nd5 3. c4 Nb6 4. d4 d6 5. f4 dxe5

6. fxe5 c5 7. d5 e6 8. Nc3 exd5 9. cxd5 c4 10. Be3 Bb4

11. d6 Be6 12. Nf3 Nc6 13. Bf2 Nd7 14. Qe2 Qa5

15. Qe3 Nxe5 16. Nxe5 Qxe5 17. Qxe5 Nxe5 18. Rd1

Kd7 19. Bg3 Nc6 20. Be2 Rhe8 21. O-O Bxc3 22. bxc3

f6 23. Bf3 Rac8 24. Rfe1 Bf7 25. Bg4+ Be6 26. Bf3 g6

27. Re2 Bf7 28. Red2 Re3 29. Rc1 b6 30. Bf4 R3e8

31. Bg3 Ne5 32. Bb7 Rb8 33. Bd5 Bxd5 34. Rxd5 Re6

35. Bxe5 Rxe5 36. Rd4 b5 37. a3 Rb6 38. Rb1 Rxd6

39. Rxd6+ Kxd6 and Black soon won 0-1

Randy Bierce (A) - Eliot Jacobson (X), Round 3

1. c4 e6 2. Nc3 d5 3. cxd5 exd5 4. d4 Nf6 5. Nf3 c6

6. Bg5 Nbd7 7. a3 Be7 8. e3 Ne4 9. Bxe7 Qxe7 10. Bd3

O-O 11. O-O Re8 12. Qc2 Nf8 13. Ne5 f6 14. Nf3 Bg4

15. Nd2 Ng5 16. b4 Rac8 17. b5 Qd6 18. Qb3 Be6

19. Na4 Ne4 20. Rfd1 c5 21. Nxc5 Nxc5 22. dxc5 Qxc5

23. Qb2 Qc3 24. Qb1 Re7 25. Rc1 Qxd2 26. Rxc8

Bxc8 27. Ra2 Qa5 28. Rc2 Be6 29. Qc1 Qd8 30. h3

Qd7 31. Bf2 Bf5 32. Rc5 Qd6 33. Rxd5 Rc7 34. Qd1

Qe6 35. Rd6 Rc1 36. Rxe6 Rxd1+ 37. Bxd1 Bxe6

38. Kf1 b6 39. White resigns 0-1

Pat Kelly (A) - Craig Rabatin (A), Round 3

Sicilian Defense

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nxd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 d6

6. Be2 e5 7. Nb3 Be7 8. h3 a6 9. Be3 O-O 10. Nd5 b5

11. Bb6 Qd7 12. c4 bxc4 13. Bxc4 Rb8 14. Be3 Bd8

15. O-O Nxd5 16. Bxd5 Ne7 17. Bc4 Bb6 18. Bxb6

Rxb6 19. Qd2 Qa7 20. Kh1 Be6 21. Rac1 Rc8

22. Bxe6 fxe6 23. Rxc8 Nxc8 24. Rc1 Ne7 25. Na5 Qd7

26. Nc4 Rc6 27. b3 Qc7 28. Rd1 d5 29. exd5 exd5

30. Ne3 d4 31. Nc4 Nd5 32. Qg5 Nc3 33. Re1 Re6

34. Rxe5 Rxe5 35. Nxe5 Nxa2 36. Drawn 1/2 -1/2

Mike Richardson (B) - Clyde Sutherland (D), Round 3

Queen's Gambit Declined

1. d4 Nf6 2. Nf3 d5 3. Nbd2 Nc6 4. e3 Bf5 5. a3 e6

6. c4 Be7 7. Be2 O-O 8. O-O b6 9. Qa4 Qd6 10. cxd5

Qxd5 11. b4 a6 12. Bc4 Qd6 13. Bb2 b5 14. Bxb5

axb5 15. Qxd5 Rfb8 16. Qe2 Qd5 17. Rac1 Bg4 18. e4

Qd7 19. Qc4 Bxf3 20. Nxf3 Rb6 21. Rfe1 Na5

22. bxa5 Rxb2 23. Ne5 Qd6 24. Nxf7 Kxf7 25. e5 Qd5

26. Qc3 Rb3 27. Qxc7 Ne8 28. Qc2 Bxa3 29. Rcd1

Rxa5 30. Qxh7 Bb4 31. Re4 Bc3 32. Qh4 Ra1

33. Rf4+ Kg8 34. Rxa1 Bxa1 35. h3 Rb1+ 36. Kh2

Bxd4 37. Rxd4 Qxe5+ 38. g3 Rb2 39. Kg2 Qe2 40. Rf4

Nf6 41. Qg5 Kf7 42. Qc5 Kg6 43. Qe7 e5 44. Rxf6

gxf6 45. Qe8+ Kf5 46. Qd7+ Ke4 47. Qc6+ Kd3

48. Qd6+ Kc2 49. Qc5+ Kd1 50. h4 Qe4+ 51. Kh2

Qd4 52. White resigns 0-1

Eliot Jacobson (X) - Jim Walker (X), Round 4

Dutch Defense

1. d4 e6 2. Nf3 f5 3. g3 Nf6 4. Bg2 Be7 5. O-O O-O

6. c4 d6 7. Nc3 Qe8 8. Re1 Qg6 9. Qc2 Ne4 10. Nd2

Nxc3 11. bxc3 e5 12. c5 Nc6 13. dxc6 Drawn 1/2 -1/2

Chris Smith (Unr) - Bill Salmon (E), Round 4

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 b6 3. Be3 Bb7 4. d5 e6 5. Nc3 Bb4

6. dxe6 fxe6 7. Bg5 O-O 8. Nf3 Be7 9. Bxf6 Bxf6

10. e4 d6 11. Bd3 e5 12. O-O Nd7 13. Qb3 Nc5

14. Qd1 Qe7 15. b4 Ne6 16. c5 bxc5 17. bxc5 dxc5

18. Nd5 Bxd5 19. exd5 Nf4 20. Bc4 Kh8 21. g3 Nh3+

22. Kg2 Ng5 23. Nxc5 Bxc5 24. Re1 e4 25. f3 Rxf3

26. Qxf3 exf3+ 27. Kxf3 Rf8+ 28. Kg2 Be3 29. a4

Rf2+ 30. Kh3 Qg5 31. g4 Rf3+ 32. Kg2 Qxc4+

33. Kh1 Qe4 34. h4 Rh3 + mate 0-1

Baker, Chandra and Funkhouser divide the 1994 Central WV Club Championship

PLR.#	NAME	ST	PreRate	PostRate	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total	CWVC
1	BAKER, MIKE	WV	1600*B4	1672*B4	U	D	W	W	W	W	L	L	W	W	6.5	5.5
2	FUNKHOUSER, BYRON	WV	1841*a5	1837*a5	D	U	L	W	W	W	D	W	W	U	6.0	5.5
3	CHANDRA, PRASHANT	WV	1811/19	1818*B2	L	W	U	D	W	W	U	W	W	U	5.5	5.5
4	HOLSBERY, RICK	WV	1724*b5	1690*b5	L	L	D	U	W	L	U	W	W	U	3.5	3.5
5	LA BUE, TOM	WV	1412*c9	1447*C2	L	L	L	L	U	L	W	W	W	U	3.0	2.0
6	WETWEERAPONG, J.	WV	1375/064	1481/13	L	L	L	W	W	U	U	L	W	U	3.0	3.0
7	BUTCHER, MARKLE	WV	1751*B6	1741*B6	W	D	U	U	L	U	U	U	W	U	2.5	-
8	RIHEL, JASON	WV	1608*C5	1562*C5	W	L	L	L	L	W	U	U	L	U	2.0	2.0
9	SEFTON, JOHN	KY	1415*C7	1386*C7	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	W	U	U	1.0	1.0
10	BAYERLE, MARTIN	WV	1705/03	1579/04	L	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	U	0.0	-

Note: Games against Markle Butcher and Martin Bayerle do not count towards the club championship point totals.

With last years champ, Markle Butcher unable to play the full complement of games, the crown of CWVCC was to find someone new. However, no clear winner emerged as Mike Baker, Prashant Chandra and Byron Funkhouser all tied for first place. Rick Holsberry, returning after a three year layoff and newcomer Jeerayut Wetweerapong each scored three to tie for fourth. Mike Baker directed.

38. Rxd6+ Kxd6 39. Kf2 h5 40. Kf3 Ke5 41. c4 Kf6
42. Bd3 Black resigns 1-0

Jason Rihel (B) - Rick Holsberry (B)
Sicilian Defense, Najdorf Variation

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nxd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 a6
6. Bc4 e6 7. Bb3 b5 8. O-O b4 9. Nce2 Nxe4 10. a3
bxa3 11. Rxa3 Be7 12. Qd3 d5 13. Ra1 O-O 14. Ng3
Nc5 15. Qf3 Nxb3 16. Nxb3 Nc6 17. Be3 Ne5 18. Qe2
Nc4 19. Bd4 Bf6 20. c3 Rb8 21. Bxf6 Qxf6 22. Qc2
Qd8 23. Ne2 Bd7 24. Rxa6 Bb5 25. Ra2 Ne5 26. Nbd4
Bd3 27. Qd2 Bc4 28. Ra3 Qb6 29. b4 Nc6 30. Nxc6
Qxc6 31. Nd4 Qd7 32. Rfa1 e5 33. Nf3 f6 34. Ra7 Rb7
35. Ra8 Rfb8 36. Rxb8+ Rxb8 37. h3 Rc8 38. Ra3
Rd8 39. Qc1 Qb5 40. Ra5 Qc6 41. Rc5 Qe6 42. Nd2
Ba6 43. Qd1 Rc8 44. Rxc8+ Qxc8 45. Qc1 d4 46. c4
Kf7 47. b5 Bxb5 48. c5 White lost on time 0-1

Mike Baker (B) - Martin Bayerle (B)

Notes by Mike Baker

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. d4 d6 4. dxe5 Bg4 5. exd6 Bxd6
6. Be2 Qe7 7. O-O O-O-O 8. Nc3 Bxh2+! *I missed this
line completely.* 9. Kxh2 Rxd1 10. Rxd1 Bxf3 11. Bxf3
Nf6 12. Kg1 Ne5 13. Be2 Nfg4 14. Bf4 Qh4 15. Bg3
Qg5 16. Nd5 *If 16. f4 then ..Qh6 17. fxe5 Qe3+ 18. Kf1
Qxg3 19. Bxg4 Qxg4. Even though I felt comfortable
playing two rooks and knight vs queen and rook, the
pawn structure did not make it seem winnable.* 16...Ng6
17. Bxc7 *Trying to open up the enemy king and gain
material compensation for the loss of my queen.*
17...N4e5 18. Bxe5 Nxe5 19. Rd4 19. f4 Qh4 20. fxe5
*Qxe4 and again I was afraid that black's kingside pawns
would be my undoing in the endgame, although the f4
move was more tempting now than on move 16.* 19...Qh4
20. f3 Rd8 21. Rad1 Nc6 22. R4d3 g6 23. c3 f5
24. exf5 gxf5 25. b4 Qg5 26. Bf1 a6 27. a4 Re8 28. b5
Ne5 *I could find no decisive place for this knight to go.
Nb8 leads to perpetual check by white or the exchange
of the white knight for the black rook. Nd8 or Ne7 block
the queen from getting to the action quickly and allow
the disappearance of black's queenside pawns.* 29. f4 *I
could now play this without reservations.* 29...Nf3+
30. Rxf3 Qg4? *This move was made in anger.* 31. Nf6
Qg6 32. Nxe8 Qxe8 33. bxa6 Qxa4 34. axb7+ Kxb7
35. Rfd3 Qxf4 36. Rd7+ Kc6 37. R1d6+ Qxd6

J. Wetweerapong (D) - Byron Funkhouser (A)

1. e4 e6 2. Nf3 d5 3. exd5 exd5 4. c3 Bd6 5. h3 Ne7
6. d4 Nbc6 7. Bd3 Bf5 8. O-O O-O 9. Bg5 Qd7
10. Qd2 Bxd3 11. Qxd3 Qf5 12. Qd2 Ng6 13. Nh4
Nhx4 14. Bxh4 Bf4 15. Qd1 Rae8 16. Nd2 Qd3
17. Nf3 Qxd1 18. Raxd1 Re2 19. Rb1 Rfe8 20. Bg3
Bxg3 21. fxg3 Rc2 22. Rfe1 R8e2 23. Rxe2 Rxe2
24. Ne1 Na5 25. Kf1 Re6 26. b3 Rc6 27. Rc1 Kf8
28. Nd3 Ke7 29. Ke2 Re6+ 30. Kd2 Kd6 31. Nf4 Rf6
32. h4 h6 33. Re1 g5 34. hxg5 hxg5 35. Nh3 g4 36. Nf4
Rh6 37. Re5 c6 38. Rg5 Rh1 39. Kc2 Ra1 40. Kb2 Rf1
41. Nd3 f5 42. Rg6+ Kc7 43. Ka3 b6 44. Rg7+ Kb8
45. Re7 Nb7 46. Ne5 Nd8 47. Rd7 Kc8 48. Rxa7 Rf2
49. Ra6 Kb7 50. Ra4 Ne6 51. Rb4 Nc7 52. c4 Na6
53. Ra4 b5 54. cxb5 cxb5 55. Ra5 Kb6 56. b4 Rxa2+
57. Kb3 Rxa5 58. bxa5 Kxa5 59. Nc6+ Kb6 60. Ne7
Nc7 61. Nxf5 Ne6 62. Kc3 Ka5 63. Ne3 b4+ 64. Kd3
b3 65. Nxd5 b2 66. Nc3 Kb4 67. Nb1 Kb3 68. d5 Nc5+

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69. Kd4 White lost on time 0-1

John Sefton (C) - Prashant Chandra (A)

London System

1. d4 Nf6 2. Nf3 g6 3. Bf4 Bg7 4. c3 d5 5. e3 Bf5 6. h3 Nbd7 7. Nbd2 O-O 8. Be2 c5 9. O-O c4 10. a4 h6 11. Re1 g5 12. Bh2 Qb6 13. Ra2 Qc6 14. Ne5 Nxe5 15. Bxe5 Ne4 16. Bxg7 Kxg7 17. Bf3 Nxd2 18. Qxd2 Bg6 19. Qd1 f5 20. b3 b5 21. axb5 Qxb5 22. bxc4 Qxc4 23. Qa1 Qc7 24. Bxd5 Bf7 25. Bxa8 Bxa2 26. Bf3 Bc4 27. Rb1 Rb8 28. Rxb8 Qxb8 29. Qa3 Qc7 30. Qc5 Qxc5 31. dxc5 Kf6 32. c6 Ke6 33. g4 fxg4 34. Bxg4+ Kd6 35. Bf3 a5 36. c7 Kxc7 37. Bd1 Bb5 38. Kg2 a4 39. Kg3 a3 40. Bb3 Kd6 41. Kg4 Kc5 42. Kh5 Bc4 43. Kxh6 Bxb3 44. White resigns 0-1

Tom LaBue (C) - Markle Butcher (B)

King's Indian, Saemich Attack

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 g6 3. Nc3 Bg7 4. e4 d6 5. Be3 O-O 6. f3 e5 7. Nge2 Nc6 8. d5 Ne7 9. a3 Nd7 10. Qd2 f5 11. O-O-O f4 12. Bf2 Nf6 13. g3 Nh5 14. g4 Nf6 15. h4 Bxg4?! 16. fxg4 Nxg4 17. Ng1 Rf7 18. Nf3 h6 19. Bh3 Nxf2 20. Qxf2 Kh7 21. Rdg1 Qe8 22. Bg4 Rf6 23. Ng5+ Kh8 24. Ne6 c6 25. Nc7 Qd8 26. Nxa8 Qxa8 27. Bf3 cxd5 28. Nxd5 Nxd5 29. exd5 Qc8 30. Qc2 Qe8 31. Rg2 h5 32. Rhg1 Bh6 33. Rxc6 Rxc6 34. Rxc6 Qf8 35. Re6 Qg7 36. Re8+ Black resigns 1-0

Prashant Chandra (A) - Mike Baker (B)

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nf6 3. Bc4 h6 4. O-O d6 5. Re1 Be7 6. d4 Bg4 7. dxe5 Bxf3 8. Qxf3 dxe5 9. Qb3 O-O 10. Qxb7 Nbd7 11. Nc3 Be5 12. Nd5 Nxd5 13. Qxd5 Bd6 14. Be3 Nb6 15. Bxb6 axb6 16. Rad1 Qf6 17. Rd3 Rad8 18. Rf3 Qe7 19. Bb3 Bb4 20. Rxf7 Rxf7 21. Qxf7+ Qxf7 22. Bxf7+ Kxf7 23. c3 Be7 24. g3 Rd2 25. b4 Rxa2 26. f4 exf4 27. gxf4 Ra3 28. Rc1 Ke6 29. Kf2 g5 30. fxg5 hxg5 31. Rc2 Ke5 32. Kf3 Bxb4 33. Kg4 Rxc3 34. Re2 Be7 35. Rd2 Kxe4 36. Re2+ Re3 37. Rc2 Bd6 38. Kxg5 Rh3 39. Re2+ Kd3 40. Ra2 Rxb2 41. Ra8 b5 42. Rb8 b4 43. Kf5 Kc2 44. Ke4 b3 White resigns 0-1

J. Wetweeraong (D) - John Sefton (C)

French Defense, Steinitz Variation

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. Nc3 Nf6 4. e5 Nfd7 5. Nf3 c5 6. Ne2 Qc7 7. c3 Nc6 8. g3 cxd5 9. cxd5 Nb4 10. Nc3 a6 11. Bg2 Qc4 12. Be3 Nd3+ 13. Kd2 Nxf2 14. Bxf2 Bb4 15. Qb3 Nb6 16. Bf1 Bxc3+ 17. bxc3 Qc7 18. Bd3 Bd7 19. a4 O-O 20. Rhb1 Nxa4 21. Rxa4 Bxa4 22. Qxa4 b5 23. Qb4 f6 24. Qd6 Qxd6 25. exd6 Rfd8 26. Ra1 Rxd6 27. Bxb5 Rb6 28. Bd3 Rb2+ 29. Ke3 a5

30. Ne1 Rb3 31. Rc1 a4 32. Bb1 a3 33. Ba2 Rb2 34. Ra1 Rc8 35. Nd3 Rxc3 36. Be1 R3c2 37. Nxb2 axb2 38. Rb1 Rc1 39. Bd2 Rc2 40. Kd3 Rc7 41. Rxb2 g5 42. h4 h6 43. Bb1 Rg7 44. h5 f5 45. Ke2 Re7 46. Kf3 g4+ 47. Kf4 Kg7 48. Ke5 Re8 49. Rb7+ Kf8 50. Bxh6+ Kg8 51. Bg5 Rc8 52. h6 Rc1 53. h7+ Black resigns 1-0

Prashant Chandra (A) - Rick Holsberry (B)

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nxd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 Bd7 6. Be3 h6 7. f3 Nc6 8. Qd2 Nxd4 9. Bxd4 e5 10. Be3 Qc7 11. O-O-O Be7 12. g4 Bc6 13. Bc4 O-O-O 14. Bxf7 Rhf8 15. Be6+ Kb8 16. Rhe1 Nd7 17. Bxd7 Rxd7 18. f4 exf4 19. Bxf4 Rxf4 20. Nd5 Bxd5 21. Qxd5 Rf2 22. c3 Bf6 23. e5 Bg5+ 24. Kb1 Qb6 25. b3 Qa6 26. a4 Qb6 27. exd6 Rxh2 28. Re8+ Rd8 29. Rxd8+ Qxd8 30. d7 Re2 31. Qd6+ Ka8 32. c4 Be7 33. Qd5 Ba3 34. c5 Rb2+ 35. Ka1 Rc2 36. Kb1 Rb2+ 37. Ka1 Drawn 1/2 - 1/2

Jason Rihel (B) - Mike Baker (B)

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nf6 3. Nc3 Nc6 4. d4 exd4 5. Nxd4 Nxd4 6. Qxd4 d6 7. Bc4 Be7 8. O-O O-O 9. Bg5 c6 10. Rad1 Qc7 11. Bb3 b6 12. Rfe1 Bg4 13. Rd2 Rad8 14. h3 Bh5 15. g4 Bg6 16. Qc4 Qd7 17. Bxf6 Bxf6 18. f4 b5 19. Qb4 h5 20. f5 c5 21. Qxb5 Bxc3 22. Qxd7 Bd4+ 23. Kg2 Rxd7 24. fxg6 Bxb2 25. Rd3 Be5 26. gxh5 Rc8 27. gxf7+ Kf8 28. Be6 R8c7 29. Bxd7 Rxd7 30. Rf1 Bf6 31. h6 Be5 32. h7 g6 33. Rdf3 d5 34. Rd3 d4 35. Rdf3 c4 36. Rf6 Black resigns 1-0

Markle Butcher (B) - Mike Baker (B)

1. Nf3 Nc6 2. c4 g6 3. d4 Bg7 4. Nc3 e6 5. e4 Nge7 6. Bg5 O-O 7. Qd2 d6 8. h4 Qd7 9. h5 e5 10. d5 Nd4 11. Bh6 Qg4 12. O-O-O Bxh6 13. Qxh6 Nxf3 14. gxf3 Qf4+ 15. Qxf4 exf4 16. Nb5 Bd7 17. Nc3 Kg7 18. Bh3 f5 19. Rde1 Kf6 20. Kd2 Rfe8 21. hxg6 hxg6 22. exf5 Bxf5 23. Ne4+ Kg7 24. Bg4 Rh8 25. Kc3 Rxh1 26. Rxh1 Bxe4 27. fxe4 Kf6 28. Rh7 Rg8 29. b4 Rg7 30. Rxc7 Kxc7 31. Kd4 Kf6 32. c5 b6 33. cxd6 cxd6 34. a4 a6 35. a5 b5 36. f3 g5 37. Bd7 Ng6 38. Bxb5 Ke7 39. Bxa6 Kd8 40. Bb5 Kc7 41. Be2 Ne5 42. b5 Kb7 43. Bd1 Ka7 44. Kc3 Kb7 45. Be2 g4 46. fxg4 f3 47. Bf1 Nxc4 48. Kd2 Ne5 49. Ke3 Ka7 50. b6+ Kb7 51. Kf2 Kb8 52. Bb5 Kb8 53. Bf1 Kb8 54. a6 Nd7 55. b7 Ne5 56. Bb5 Ka7 57. Be8 Kb8 58. Ke3 Kc7 59. Bh5 f2 60. Kxf2 Nd3+ 61. Ke3 Nc5 62. Be2 Kb8 63. Bc4 Ka7 64. Kd4 Nd7 65. Bb5 Ne5 66. Kc3 Ng4 67. Kb4 Nf2 68. e5 dxe5 69. d6 e4 70. d7 Nd3+ 71. Bxd3 exd3 72. d8/Q Black resigns 1-0

Chuck Schulien Triumphant at the Parkersburg December Open

Forty-nine other competitors couldn't stop the Chuck Schulien juggernaut. He continues his streak of finishing first, shared or outright, in every WV Chess tournament he has entered. Wins over Jim Walker and Pat Kelly clinched the victory. Ed Garner drew in Round 2 with Craig Rabatin, then proceeded to sneak into second place. There were eleven players tied for third. John Kay directed this event.

PLR #	NAME	ST	PreRate	PostRate	1	2	3	4	Total
1	SCHULIEN, CHUCK	OH	2436*M4	2440*M4	W--17	W--32	W---4	W---3	4.0
2	GARNER, ED	WV	2085*x0	2082*x0	W--11	D--7	W--29	W---16	3.5
3	WALKER, JIM	WV	2109*M5	2118*M5	W--15	W--8	W--6	L--1	3.0
4	KELLY, PAT	OH	1967*A0	1980*A0	W--14	W--10	L--1	W--19	3.0
5	GIKAS, JIM	WV	1931*A7	1929*A7	W--49	D--33	D--9	W--21	3.0
6	DOLGOVSKIJ, KONNIE	WV	1921*x9	1925*x9	W--37	W--20	L--3	W--22	3.0
7	RABATIN, CRAIG	WV	1855*B2	1870*B2	W--21	D--2	W--33	D--13	3.0
8	FUNKHOUSER, BYRON	WV	1837*a5	1849*a5	W--18	L--3	W--40	W--20	3.0
9	CHANDRA, PRASHANT	WV	1818/19	1822*B2	D--16	W--36	D--5	W--26	3.0
10	TIPTON, MARK	WV	1709*b0	1721*b0	W--19	L--4	W--47	W--25	3.0
11	MC GARY, FRED	OH	1700*B0	1704*B0	L--2	W--12	W--46	W--29	3.0
12	SEFTON, JOHN	KY	1386*C7	1440*C9	W--42	L--11	W--18	W--17	3.0
13	ANTES, SCOTT	WV	1347/04	1577/08	W--44	D--15	W--32	D--7	3.0
14	TAYLOR, MICHAEL	OH	1694*b7	1699*b7	L--4	D--27	W--35	W--33	2.5
15	MORRIS, GARY	WV	1673*b0	1674*b0	L--3	D--13	W--48	W--34	2.5
16	BAKER, MIKE	WV	1672*B4	1685*B4	D--9	W--25	W--27	L--2	2.5
17	HOLSBERRY, RICK	WV	1690*b5	1674*b5	L--1	W--23	W--36	L--12	2.0
18	ANCRILE, JOE	WV	1687*b7	1649*b7	L--8	W--28	L--12	W--46	2.0
19	DAILEY, JOHN	WV	1637*b9	1626*b9	L--10	W--50	W--41	L--4	2.0
20	HAMMELL, DOUG	WV	1595*c2	1602*c2	W--39	L--6	W--28	L--8	2.0
21	RIHEL, JASON	WV	1562*C5	1566*C5	L--7	W--43	W--23	L--5	2.0
22	RICHARDSON, AARON	WV	1508*c2	1514*c2	L--33	W--35	W--30	L--6	2.0
23	WETWEERAPONG, JEER	WV	1481/13	1451/17	W--31	L--17	L--21	W--44	2.0
24	MC LEAR, BOB	WV	1449*c7	1421*c7	L--29	L--39	W--45	W--41	2.0
25	ARNOLD, GREG	WV	1414*c4	1414*c4	W--50	L--16	W--43	L--10	2.0
26	JORDAN, JIM	WV	1379*D2	1392*D2	L--35	W--44	W--38	L--9	2.0
27	MAZEFFA, DOUG	OH	1300*D2	1326*D2	W--45	D--14	L--16	D--32	2.0
28	BLACK, JOHN	WV	1271/09	1317/13	W--40	L--18	L--20	W--47	2.0
29	MERCER, JONETTE	WV	1231*D5	1282*c4	W--24	W--49	L--2	L--11	2.0
30	SALMON, BILL	WV	1131*E8	1164*d0	W--47	L--38	L--22	W--40	2.0
31	HEANEY, TOBY	WV	917/08	1022/12	L--23	L--40	W--42	W--48	2.0
32	WHITACRE, FRED	OH	1900*A5	1900*A5	W--38	L--1	L--13	D--27	1.5
33	BUTCHER, MARKLE	WV	1741*B6	1727*B6	W--22	D--5	L--7	L--14	1.5
34	LA BUE, TOM	WV	1447*c9	1412*c9	L--41	D--48	W--50	L--15	1.5
35	SMITH, JOHN	WV	1441/04	1420/08	W--26	L--22	L--14	D--36	1.5
36	DORWARD, DON	OH	UNR	1409/04	W--48	L--9	L--17	D--35	1.5
37	BAGNALL, WALTER	OH	1661*A5	1658*A5	L--6	W--41	U---	U---	1.0
38	BERTHOUD, ERIC	PA	1655*b0	1624*b0	L--32	W--30	L--26	U---	1.0
39	SUTHERLAND, CLYDE	WV	1510/07	1513/09	L--20	W--24	U---	U---	1.0
40	SHOCK, BOB	WV	1406/08	1314/12	L--28	W--31	L--8	L--30	1.0
41	DEY, MIKE	OH	1282*D5	1288*D5	W--34	L--37	L--19	L--24	1.0
42	WINDLAND, JASON	WV	1089/12	1062/16	L--12	L--47	L--31	W--50	1.0
43	ERION, TIM	OR	1077/03	1081/06	W--46	L--21	L--25	U---	1.0
44	DOVENBARGER, W.	OH	997/11	1012/14	L--13	L--26	B---	L--23	1.0
45	PRICE, MIKE	WV	899*0	869*0	L--27	L--46	L--24	B---	1.0
46	HEANEY, TROY	WV	174/04	657/08	L--43	W--45	L--11	L--18	1.0
47	STOKES, SHAWN	OH	UNR	1107/04	L--30	W--42	L--10	L--28	1.0
48	MACE, ROB ROY	WV	1108*0	1094*0	L--36	D--34	L--15	L--31	0.5
49	VAVREK, ALVIN	OH	1701*C0	1665*C0	L--5	L--29	U---	U---	0.0
50	CROSS, TIM	WV	1310/08	1204/12	L--25	L--19	L--34	L--42	0.0

Parkersburg December Open Games

Byron Funkhouser (A) - Joe Ancrile (B), Round 1

1. e3 d5 2. b3 Nf6 3. Bb2 c6 4. c4 Bf5 5. Nf3 Nbd7
6. Nd4 Bg4 7. f3 Bh5 8. cxd5 cxd5 9. Bd3 e5 10. Nf5
Bg6 11. g4 Bxf5 12. Bxf5 g6 13. Bxd7+ Nxd7 14. h4
Nc5 15. d4 exd4 16. Qxd4 Rg8 17. Nc3 Qd6
18. O-O-O Rc8 19. Qxd5 Qxd5 20. Rxd5 Bg7 21. Kd2
Rf8 22. h5 Rd8 23. Rxd8+ Kxd8 24. Ba3 b6 25. Na4
Kd7 26. Nxc5+ Bxc5 27. Bxc5 Rc8 28. Bd4 Bf8
29. hxg6 hxg6 30. Rcl Ra8 31. g5 Ke6 32. Rc7 a6
33. Ra7 Bb4+ 34. Kd3 Rxa7 35. Bxa7 f5 36. gxf6 Kxf6
37. Bd4+ Ke6 38. Kc4 Bd2 39. a3 Bc1 40. Kb4 Bd2+
41. Ka4 Kd5 42. b4 Kc6 43. Ka5 Kb7 44. e4 Bc1
45. a4 Bg5 46. b5? axb5? No, 46...Bd2+ mate
47. axb5 and White soon won 1-0

Ed Garner (X) - Fred McGary (B), Round 1

Sicilian Defense, Najdorf Variation
1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nxd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 a6
6. Be2 e6 7. Be3 Qc7 8. O-O Be7 9. f5 Nbd7 10. Kh1
b5 11. Bf3 Bb7 12. e5 dxe5 13. fxe5 Nxe5 14. Bf4 Nfd7
15. Nxe6 fxe6 16. Qe2 Bxf3 17. Rxf3 Bf6 18. Re3 Kf7
19. Rf1 Qc4 20. Bxe5 Qxe2 21. Rxe2 Rhe8 22. Bxf6
Nxf6 23. Ne4 Rad8 24. Ng5+ Kg8 25. Nxe6 Rd6
26. Rfe1 Nd7 27. Kg1 h6 28. c3 Nf6 29. Nd4 Red8
30. Re7 R8d7 31. h3 Nd5 32. Re8+ Kf7 33. Ra8 Rd8
34. Rxd8 Rxd8 35. Re6 Nc7 36. Rc6 Rd7 37. Kf2 Re7
38. Nf5 Rd7 39. Ke2 Kf8 40. Ke3 Nd5+ 41. Ke4 Nf6+
42. Ke5 Rd2 43. Rxa6 Rxb2 44. Ra8+ Ne8 45. Nd6
Re2+ 46. Kd5 g5 47. Rxe8+ Rxe8 48. Nxe8
Black resigns 1-0

Jim Gikas (A) - Markle Butcher (B), Round 2

Queen's Gambit Declined
1. d4 Nf6 2. Nf3 d5 3. Bg5 e6 4. e3 Be7 5. Nbd2 O-O
6. Bd3 Nbd7 7. O-O c5 8. c3 c4 9. Bc2 b5 10. e4 dxe4
11. Nxe4 Bb7 12. Bxf6 Nxf6 13. Nxf6+ Bxf6 14. Re1
Qc7 15. Ne5 Bxe5 16. Rxe5 Rad8 17. Qh5 g6 18. Qh6
Rd5 19. Rae1 f6 20. Rxd5 Bxd5 21. Qh4 Qb7 22. f3 b4
23. Be4 bxc3 24. bxc3 Kg7 25. Rb1 Qc7 26. Bxd5 exd5
27. Qe1 Kf7 28. Qh4 Kg7 29. Qg3 Qe7 30. Kf1 Qe3
31. Qe1 Qd3+ 32. Kf2 Rf7 33. Rd1 Qc2+ 34. Qd2
Qxd2+ 35. Rxd2 Rb7 36. Ke3 Draw agreed 1/2 -1/2

Jonette Mercer (D) - Alvin Vavrek (B), Round 2

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. exd5 Qxd5 4. Nf3 c5 5. Nc3 Qd8
6. d5 Nf6 7. Bb5+ Bd7 8. dxe6 fxe6 9. Qe2 Qb6
10. Bxd7+ Nbx7 11. b3 O-O-O 12. O-O e5 13. Ne4
Nxe4 14. Qxe4 Bd6 15. Bb2 Rde8 16. Rfe1 Rhf8
17. g3 Nf6 18. Qc4 Qc6 19. Re3 Ng4 20. Qxg4+ Kb8
21. Nxe5 Bxe5 22. Bxe5+ Ka8 23. Rae1 a6 24. Bxg7
Rxe3 25. Rxe3 Rd8 26. f4 Rd2 27. Qf3 Qd7 28. Rd3
Rxd3 29. Qxd3 Qxg7 30. f5 h5 31. h4 Qe5 32. Kg2

Ka7 33. Qf3 Qb2 34. Qf2 Qf6 35. a3 b6 36. b4 cxb4
37. axb4 Qc6+ 38. Kg1 Qf6 39. Qf3 Qd4+ 40. Kg2
Qd2+ 41. Qf2 Qxb4 42. f6 Qe4+ 43. Kh2 Qe8 44. f7
Qf8 45. Qf3 a5 46. Qxh5 Black resigns 1-0

Pat Kelly (A) - Chuck Schulien (SM), Round 3
Ruy Lopez, Counterthrust Variation

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. Bb5 a6 4. Ba4 Nf6 5. O-O b5
6. Bb3 Bb7 7. Re1 Bc5 8. c3 d6 9. d4 Bb6 10. Bc2 h6
11. h3 O-O 12. Be3 exd4 13. Nxd4 Nxd4 14. Bxd4 c5
15. Bxf6 Qxf6 16. Nd2 Rfe8 17. Qf3 Qg5 18. Nf1 Re6
19. Qf5 Qxf5 20. exf5 Rxe1 21. Rxe1 Kf8 22. Ng3 Re8
23. Rxe8+ Kxe8 24. Ne4 Kd7 25. Ng3 Ke7 26. Nh5
Kf8 27. Kf1 d5 28. f3 c4 29. Ke2 a5 30. a3 a4 31. Kd2
d4 32. Be4 Bxe4 33. fxe4 d3 34. Nf4 Bc7 35. Nd5 Be5
36. g4 g6 37. fxe6 fxe6 38. Nb4 Kf7 39. Nd5 Ke6
40. Ke3 g5 41. Kd2 Bf4+ 42. Kd1 Ke5 43. Ne7 Kxe4
44. Nf5 h5 45. Nd4 h4 46. Nxb5 Kf3 47. Nd4+ Kg3
48. Ne6 Be3 49. Nc7 Kxh3 50. Nd5 Bf2 51. Nf6 Kg2
52. Ne4 h3 53. White resigns 0-1

Fred Whitacre (A) - Scott Antes (D), Round 3
Sicilian Defense

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nxd4 e6 5. Be3 Nf6
6. Nd2 d5 7. Nxc6 bxc6 8. e5 Nd7 9. Nf3 Be7 10. Be2
Qc7 11. O-O Nxe5 12. Nxe5 Qxe5 13. Bd4 Qg5 14. f4
Qh6 15. Rf3 f6 16. c4 O-O 17. cxd5 exd5 18. Be3 Bd6
19. h3 Qg6 20. Bd3 Bf5 21. Bf1 Rfe1 22. Qd2 Be4
23. Rf2 c5 24. Qc1 Qg3 25. Bxc5 Rec1 26. b4 g5
27. Qe3 gxf4 28. Qxg3 fxe3 29. Rxf6 Be5 30. Rf3 Bxf3
31. Re1 Be4 32. Rd1 Rc7 33. a4 Rd8 34. Be2 d4
35. Bg4 d3 36. Be3 Bd4 37. Bxd4 Rxd4 38. Be6+ Kg7
39. Kf1 Rc2 40. Ke1 Bxg2 41. Rd2 Re4+ 42. Kd1 Bf3+
43. White resigns 0-1

Mike Taylor (B) - Markle Butcher (B), Round 4
King's Indian, Classical Variation

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 g6 3. Nc3 Bg7 4. e4 d6 5. Nf3 O-O
6. Be2 Nc6 7. d5 Ne5 8. Nxe5 dxe5 9. O-O Bd7 10. Be3
c6 11. Rcl cxd5 12. cxd5 Qa5 13. a3 Rfc8 14. f3 Ne8
15. Qd2 Nd6 16. Nb1 Qxd2 17. Nxd2 a6 18. b4 Nb5
19. Nb1 Nd4 20. Bd3 Bb5 21. Bxb5 axb5 22. Kf2 Nb3
23. Rxc8+ Rxc8 24. Rd1 Rc2+ 25. Kf1 Nd4 26. Rcl
Rxe1+ 27. Bxc1 Nb3 28. Bg5 f6 29. Be3 Nd4 30. Kf2
f5 31. Nc3 Kf8 32. Bxd4 exd4 33. Nxb5 fxe4 34. fxe4
Be5 35. h3 Ke8 36. Ke2 Kd7 37. Kd3 e6 38. dxe6+
Kxe6 39. Nxd4+ Kd6 40. a4 b6 41. Kc4 h5 42. Nf3
Bg3 43. a5 bxa5 44. bxa5 Bf2 45. e5+ Ke6 46. a6 g5
47. Nd4+ Kxe5 48. a7 Bxd4 49. a8/Q
and White soon won 1-0

WV State Champ Don Griffith Wins the 1994 Charleston Club Championship

This year's co-state champion Donald Griffith survived a rigorous three man fight for the top spot in the 1994 Charleston Chess Club Championship. John Roush, although beating Donald in their game, took second and Jerry Skeen, who played well, placed third. John's drive for the championship was hurt by a loss to David Michael and a draw given up to Chuck Waugh. Following we have four annotated games from this year's monarch of Charleston Chess.

All notes by Donald Griffith

John Roush (X) - Donald Griffith (X)

1. f4 d5 2. e3 Nf6 3. Nf3 Bg4 4. b3 Nbd7 4...g6 is possible. 5. Bb2 e6 5...c6 6. Be2 Qc7 7. O-O Bxf3 8. Bxf3 e5 = in ECO. 6. h3 Bxf3 7. Qxf3 Bd6 8. g4 e5 9. g5 Ne4 10. d3 Nc5 11. Bg2 Ne6 12. O-O c6 13. fxe5 Nxc5 14. Qf4 Bc5 15. d4 Be7 16. h4 O-O 17. hxg5 Bxg5 18. Qg3 f6 19. Nd2 Qe7 20. Rae1 Rae8 21. Nf3 Bh6 22. Nh4 fxe5 23. Nf5 Qg5 24. Qxg5 Bxg5 25. e4 dxe4 26. Bxe4 Re6 27. d5 Rg6 28. Ng3 Rxf1+ 29. Kxf1 Rf6+ 30. Kg2 g6 31. dxc6 bxc6 32. Rd1 Nc5 33. Rd8+ Kf7 34. Ra8 Bf4 35. Rxa7+ Kg8 36. Bd3 Nxd3 37. cxd3 Bxg3 38. Kxg3 Rd6 39. Bxe5 Rxd3+ 40. Kf4 Rd2 41. a4 h5 42. Rg7+ Kf8 43. Rxg6 Rd3 44. b4 Ra3 45. a5 h4 46. Rxc6 h3 47. Rh6 Ke7 48. Bd6+ Kd7 49. Bc5 Kc7 50. Kg4 Ra1 51. Rxh3 Black resigns 1-0

Jerry Skeen (B) - Donald Griffith (X)

English Defense, Keres Variation

1. g3 e5 2. Bg2 d5 3. c4 c6 4. cxd5 cxd5 5. Nc3 Nf6 6. Qb3 you can look this up in your ECO A23. Normally reached by the English 1. c4 e5 2. Nc3 Nf6 3. g3 c6 4. Bg2 d5 5. cxd5 cxd5 6. Qb3 with the same position. 6...Nc6 if 6...e4 7. f3 7. Nxd5 Nxd5 if 7...Nd4 8. Nxf6+ gxf6 9. Qd1 Qc7 gives black compensation for the pawn. 8. Bxd5 better is 8. Qxd5 Qxd5 9. Bxd5 Nd4 10. Be4 or 10. Rb1. 8...Nd4 9. Bxf7+ Ke7 10. Qc3 gives up the bishop but 10. Qc4 b5 11. Qd5 Nc2+ 12. Kd1 Nxa1 13. Qxa8 Qc7 14. Be3 Bb6 is good for black. 10...Kxf7

11. Nf3 Nxf3+ 12. Qxf3+ Qf6 13. Qd5+ Be6 14. Qxb7+ Be7 15. Qf3 Qxf3 16. exf3 Bd5 17. Ke2 Rhf8 18. d3 Kg8 19. Re1 Bxf3+ 20. Kf1 Rf5 21. Be3 Rh5 22. Kg1 Rf8 23. Rac1 Rff5 24. Rc8+ Kf7 25. Rc7 Rxh2 26. White resigns 0-1

Donald Griffith (X) - David Michael (B)

French Defense, Steinitz Variation

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. Nc3 Nf6 4. e5 Nfd7 5. f4 c5 6. Nf3 Nc6 7. Be3 Qb6 7...cxd4 8. Nxd4 Bc5 9. Qd2 O-O 10. O-O-O a6 11. h4 Nxd4 12. Bxd4 b5 13. Rh3 is Kasparov - Short 1994 October Chess Life p.40. 8. Na4 Qa5+ 9. Nc3 correct is 9. c3 cxd4 10. b4 Nxb4 11. cxb4 Bxb4+ 12. Bd2 Bxd2+ 13. Nxd2 g5 14. Rb1 a6 15. Bd3 gxf4 16. O-O Nxe5 17. Nb6 Rb8 18. Nxc8 Rxc8 19. Rcb7 Nxd3 20. Qh5 O-O 21. Ne4! Rcl 22. Rxc1 Nxc1 23. Nf6+ Kg7 24. Ne8+ Kh8 25. Qe5+ f6 29. Rxh7+ Black resigns 1-0 Chess Informant 36/305 notes. 9...Qb6 10. Bb5 a6 11. Bxc6 Qxc6 12. Qd2 Nb6 13. b3 Bd7 14. O-O Rc8 15. Ne2 Qc7 16. a4 cxd4 17. Nfxd4 Bc6 18. f5 Qxe5 19. fxe6 fxe6 20. Nf4 Bc5 21. Nfxe6 Bxd4 22. Bxd4 Qxe6 23. Rae1 Qxe1 24. Qxe1+ Kd7 25. Rf7+ Black resigns 1-0

Donald Griffith (X) - Chuck Waugh (C)

Petrov's Defense, Cochrane's Gambit

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nf6 3. Nxe5 d6 4. Nxf7!? Kxf7 5. d4 Qe7 5...Nxe4 6. Qh5+ Ke7 7. Qe2 d5 8. Bg5+ 6. Nc3 Ke8 6...Nxe4 7. Qxh5+ 7. Bd3 Be6 8. O-O Nbd7 9. f4 Bg4 10. Qe1 Kd8 11. f5 Bh5 12. Bg5 h6 13. Bh4 c5 13...c6 14. Nd5 Qe8 15. e5 dxe5 16. dxe5 Bf7 16...Qxe5 17. Qxe5 Nxe5 18. Nxf6 Be7 19. Nch5 Bxh4 20. Rad1 17. exf6 Qxe1 18. Raxe1 gxf6 18...g5 19. fxc6+ or 18.. Bxd5 19. fxc7+ 19. Nxf6 Be7 20. Rxe7 Kxe7 21. Re1+ Kd6 21...Kd8 22. Nxd7 Kxd7 23. Re7+ 22. Bg3+ Kc6 23. Be4+ Kb5 24. Nxd7 Rad8 25. Ne5 Bxa2 26. b3 c4 27. bxc4 Bxc4 28. Rb1+ Kc5 29. Bf2+ Rd4 30. c3 Black resigns 1-0

PLR #	NAME	ST	PreRate	PostRate	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Total
1	GRIFFITH, DON	WV	2166*X7	2168*X7	*	L	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	7.0
2	ROUSH, JOHN	WV	2119*m4	2115*m4	W	*	W	W	L	D	W	W	W	6.5
3	SKEEN, JERRY	WV	1714*b0	1774*a5	L	L	*	W	W	W	W	W	W	6.0
4	WALKER, JIM	WV	2118*M5	2100*M5	L	L	L	*	W	W	W	W	W	5.0
5	MICHAEL, DAVE	WV	1737*b0	1761*b5	L	W	L	L	*	W	W	W	W	5.0
6	WAUGH, CHUCK	WV	1514*C4	1509*C4	L	D	L	L	L	*	W	L	W	2.5
7	HUNDLEY, DAVE	WV	1499*c0	1480*c0	L	L	L	L	L	L	*	W	W	2.0
8	HAID, CHARLES	WV	1340*D7	1322*D7	L	L	L	L	L	W	L	*	L	1.0
9	SALMON, BILL	WV	1164*d0	1175*d0	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	W	*	1.0

WEST VIRGINIA CHESS ASSOCIATION
FINANCIAL STATEMENT Sept. 1, 1993 to Aug. 31, 1994

TOTAL PREVIOUS FUNDS AVAILABLE September 1, 1993 \$1588.19

RECEIPTS

1993 Tournament Fees	\$800.00	
WVCA Dues	413.00	
Interest	30.20	
USCF Affiliate Grant	160.20	
Donations	5.00	
		1408.40

TOTAL PREVIOUS FUNDS AND RECEIPTS AVAILABLE \$2996.59

DISBURSEMENTS

1993 Tournament Expense	\$800.00	
WVCA Bulletin	372.43	
USCF Affiliate Fee	30.00	
Secretary-Treasurer Expense	29.43	
Promotional Letter Expense	115.55	
		1347.41

TOTAL PRESENT FUNDS AVAILABLE August 31, 1994 \$1649.18

RECONCILIATION

* USCF Affiliate Funds Available	\$757.24	
* United National Bank		
Life Memberships on Deposit	\$280.00	
* Operating Cash on Deposit	611.94	891.94
		891.94
Total Reconciliation		\$1649.18

*NOTES

Changes in Available Funds from Previous Report

USCF Affiliate Funds	Decrease	\$(14.80)	
Operating Cash	Increase	75.79	
Life Memberships	No Change	0.00	

Total Increase in Available Funds \$60.99

First Bank of Ceredo was merged into United National Bank.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom
Thomas O. Bergquist
Secretary-Treasurer

The Postcard

Byron Funkhouser

A West Virginia Correspondence team has been assembled: Markle Butcher on board one, John Roush on board two, Byron Funkhouser on board three, and Thomas LaBue on board four. Our average rating is approximately 2000. We are not going to play an arranged match, but rather enter the open team tournament. I will keep you informed as matters develop. Personally, I have never played in a team match and I am looking forward to it. Now some games ...

Robert Clark (2068) - Markle Butcher (2231), Postal Class Section

Caro-Kann: Advance Variation, Notes by Markle Butcher

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.Nf3 e6 5.Be2 Nbd7 6.0-0 c5 7.c3 cxd4 8.Nxd4 Bxb1 9.Rxb1 Nxe5 Black has won a pawn at the cost of development. 10.Qa4+ Nd7 11.Bf4 a6 12.b4 b5 13.Qb3 Ngf6 14.Rfe1 Qb6 15.Bf3 Be7 16.g4?! This only weakens the King side, which will cost White later in the game. 16.... h6 17.a4 bxa4 18.Qxa4 Rac8 19.b5 Nc5 20.Qa2 0-0 21.Nc6 Rxc6! The outside passed pawn, and the fact that black has lots of targets in White's position fully justifies the exchange sacrifice. 22.bxc6 Qxc6 23.g5 hxg5 24.Bxg5 Qc7 25.c4 Nd3 26.Red1 dxc4 27.Rb7 Qe5 28.Bxf6 Qxf6 Not 28.... Bxf6 29. Qxc4 Nf4 30.Qxa6 and White has solved all his problems. 29.Kg2 Ne5 30.Be2 Bc5 31.Rf1 Qg6+ 32.Kh3 Qf5+ 33.Kg3 Not 33.Kg2? Qe4+ 33.... Qg5+ 34.Kh3 Ng6 White resigns.

Byron Funkhouser (1919) - Faneuil Adams, Jr. (1971), Postal Class Section

Ruy Lopez: Marshall Attack, Notes by Byron Funkhouser

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 0-0 8.c3 d5 9.exd5 Nxd5 10.Nxe5 Nxe5 11.Rxe5 c6 12.d4 Bd6 13.Re1 Qh4 14.g3 Qh3 15.Be3 Bg4 16.Qd3 Rae8 17.Nd2 Re6 18.a4 Qh5 This is called the Spassky Variation. Black does not try for a knock out, but rather continues positionally. It is very difficult for White to make anything of his extra pawn. 19.axb5 axb5 20.Qf1 The alternative is 20.Nf1. With the text the game becomes drawish. This continuation, therefore, is not quite satisfactory. 20.... Bh3 21.Qe2 Bg4 22.Qf1 Already White has nothing better than to repeat the position. 22.... Rfe8 Black tries for more, and even though he is a pawn down I think he is correct in this. The draw will not go away. 23.Bxd5 Forced. 23.... Qxd5! And not 23.... cxd5 as in other variations. 24.b3 The alternatives are 24.f3, 24.h3, and 24.c4 and I didn't think much of these, so I decided to go out on my own. 24.... c5 Another game: Byron Funkhouser - Mark Keese continued 24.... Qh5 25.c4 Bh3 26.Qd3 Bf5 27.Qf1 Drawn 25.c4 bxc4 26.bxc4 Qf5 27.d5 Bh3 28.Qe2 R6e7 29.Ra6 Bg4! Now Black must repeat the position. Drawn

Byron Funkhouser (1783) - Leo Strull (1624), Postal Class Section

Sicilian Defence: Najdorf Variation, Notes by Byron Funkhouser

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bc4 Fisher's Variation - a kin to the Sozin Attack 6.... e6 7.Bb3 b5 If Black plays 7.... Be7 first, White can continue normally with 8.0-0, or try the immediate 8.f4!? followed by 9.f5. 8.0-0 Be7 9.Qf3 The older continuation is 9.f4, which is more thematic, but I prefer piece play to pawn play. Qc7 10.Qg3 0-0 Instead of the obvious, Black can try 10.... Nc6!? where I would be hesitant to take the g-pawn, since I would rather attack than defend. 11.Bh6 Nh5?! The Grandmasters always play 11.... Ne8. Now I wonder why... 12.Qg4 Bf6 13.Nce2! I want to be able to answer 13.... e5 with 14.Nf5, even if Black exchanges on d4 first. 13.... e5 14.Nf5! Bxf5 15.exf5 Nf4 16.Nxf4 exf4 17.Bxg7! Bxg7 18.f6 Black resigns.

I am still awaiting a list of West Virginia's correspondence players from the U.S.C.F. Please send any games or items of interest to the correspondence player to the following address.

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