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Greetings from the Editor

Innovation is coming
to the Northwest this
month and next. The WA
Class will use Fischer time
controls and one of the
side events will be a Chess
960 tournament. Then, in
December, Clint Ballard's
Slugfest changes the scor-
ing system to give Black a boost and to re-
duce draws.

Remember, this magazine needs you,
its readers, to act as its reporters and fea-
ture writers. Take a camera with you to
your next tournament, snap photos of your
friends or of the winners and send them to
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Best Wishes,

Frederick K. Kleist

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Scholastic News

Seattle, WA

The Chess Mates Foundation has developed scholastic chess clubs and provided after-school chess instruction in Puget Sound-area primary and secondary public schools since 1989. In July, it received a \$10,000 grant from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

Bellingham, WA

In a series of four Hot Summer Chess tournaments held June through August, Michael Anderson (7th, Skyline ES, Ferndale) scored eight points to win the Grand Prix. Rilo Hawn (sr, Bellingham HS) won the problem-solving contest.

Beaverton, OR

The National Chess Day Girls-Only Challenge, held on October 9, attracted 44 girls. The four-player U18 section was won by Keziah Striplin, a Beaverton 7th-grader, with a 3-0 score. The 11-player U12 section finished in a four-way tie at 3.0/4 among Yvonne Chung (5th grade, Sexton Mountain ES, Beaverton), Annelise Peake (4th, Bethany ES, Portland), Karen Qu (5th, Findley ES, Portland), and Kaia Hall (5th, Ridgewood ES, Portland). Heather Young (4th, Cornerstone Christian School, Vancouver, WA) topped the 11-player U10 section, scoring 3.5 from four. Jessica Mullins (3rd, Clatskanie ES, Clatskanie) captured the U9 crown, scoring 3.5/4 in the six-player section. Kelly Qu (3rd, Findley ES, Portland) was first in the 12-player U8 section, scoring 4-0. Sudhakar and Lisa Kudva directed.

Pasco, WA

Nearly 150 kids showed up for the Pasco Pawn Power tournament, held on October 22. Seventh-grader Ian Reddick of Enterprise MS in Richland scored a perfect 5-0 to win the 37-player Grades

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From The Other Side

The recent Washington Open was a terrific experience from many viewpoints. As a sponsor, organizer, and player, I found the event to be most gratifying. Some icing on the cake was the opportunity to welcome Grandmaster Nick deFirmian as a first-time participant in the Open, and as a guest in our home. GM deFirmian is a native of California, but his years living in Europe have certainly molded him, and one gets the impression of a cultured European gentleman far more than a California surfer. Nick was always gracious and a model guest, we enjoyed his company very much. GM deFirmian was kind enough to respond to a request for an annotated game, and this is a Northwest Chess exclusive—please enjoy!—Kent McNall

by GM Nick deFirmian

I had much enjoyed my chess tour through the Northwest some months ago. Besides chess, there is the wonderful nature and scenery one enjoys, so even losing on the Pacific is not so bad. With usual travels of a chess player, I find myself now on the other side, in the dense urban jungle of the Northeast. In fact, I am now in the very heart of that jungle—Manhattan. You may recall that Kasparov, King Kong, and other notable beasts have also passed through here, though not always to play chess.

If you find yourself over here for some reason, it is always possible to find a game of chess (this is more enjoyable and much safer than other activities in the city such as climbing up the Empire State building). The outdoor chess scene is found in many parks, most famously in Washington Square Park on Fourth St. There are always local hustlers waiting, like taxi cab drivers, to take on all comers for \$1 or more a game. Naturally, we GMs don't interfere with these hard-working hustlers, but I sometimes enjoy watching the lively play and banter of this scene.

Most of the organized chess events are at the Marshall Chess Club on Tenth St. between Fifth and Sixth Avenues. There are events most every night of the week, along with weekend tournaments

and some daytime events. I recently played in one of the Marshall's Thursday night tournaments, which was a four-round swiss tournament of games with 30 minutes to each player. I would like to share one of these games with Northwest Chess readers. (I had promised Kent McNall an annotated game; so I was relieved to finally have one that was entertaining).

Caro-Kann Classical

GM Nick deFirmian (2617)

FM Ilye Figler (2269)

New York, Marshall CC G/30 2005

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.♘c3 dxe4 4.♘xe4 ♕f5

This is the most solid line of the solid Caro-Kann Defense. The main continuation is one in which White gets just a slight endgame advantage. Some of the sidelines can get sharp, however.

5.♘g3 ♕g6 6.h4 h6 7.♘f3 ♘d7 8.h5 ♕h7 9.♕d3 ♕xd3 10.♖xd3 e6 11.♕f4 ♖a5+ 12.♕d2

This is so far the main line. Black usually continues 12...♖c7 13.0-0-0 ♘gf6 14.♘e4 0-0-0, when White has a little more space, but Black has a compact position.

12...♖b6!?

Figler takes the game into unusual territory. It is always fun to experiment a bit when the time control is accelerated.

13.0-0

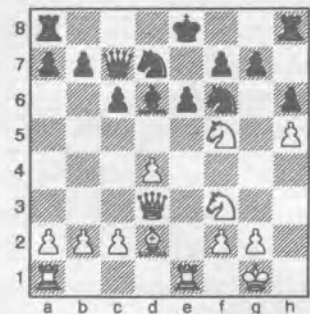
Also reasonable was 13.0-0-0, but White takes the chance to head for a sharp position. Black needs to catch up in development; so there is no need to worry about the hanging b-pawn for a while.

13...♘gf6 14.♖fe1

Quite normally, White places the Rook on the open file. The main point of this move is to prevent Black from achieving a solid setup in which he castles on the kingside. Now 14...♕e7 and 15...0-0 would run into ♘f5; so Black has trouble getting his desired setup. I expected 14...0-0-0, when White can play 15.b4!

(15...♕xb4? 16.♖ab1) followed by 16.c4 and a pawn storm in a position with Kings castled on opposite wings. Figler instead tries a different way to achieve kingside castling.

14...♕d6? 15.♘f5 ♖c7

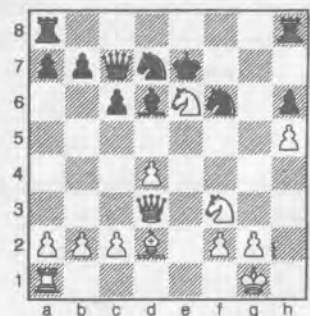


Black allows 16.♘xg7+ ♔f8, as the knight is trapped, though 16.♘xe6+ would be quite alright for White. Also possible is 16.♘xd6 ♖xd6, when White has Bishop for Knight and a slight advantage. I thought for a precious five minutes to decide there was something better.

16.♖xe6+! fxex6 17.♘xg7+ ♔e7

The only move. 17...♔f7 allows 18.♖g6+ and the other squares allow the Knight fork.

18.♘xe6!



After the Rook sacrifice, White offers a Knight. Black decides to take the Knight, as 18...♖b6 19.♖e1 ♖he8 20.♘h4 is a terribly strong attack.

18...♔xe6 19.♖e1+ ♔f7

Giving back material with 19...♕e5 20.dxe5 ♘d5 doesn't stop the attack, i.e., 21.♖g6+ ♔e7 22.♖g7+ wins.

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Collyer Tapped as Fall Guy

Curt Collyer and Geoff Gale both bettered their feats of the previous weekend at the Eastern Washington Open in Spokane (see page 10). Instead of finishing in a tie for second, Collyer came clear first in the seventeen-player Open section of the Seattle Fall Open, a point ahead of his closest rivals, while Gale, instead of drawing the top-ranked player, defeated FM David Bragg in the first round. Gale and NM Ignacio Perez each scored 3.5 in tying for the second-place and U2200 prizes. Peter O'Gorman was tops under 2000 at three points, while Matt Wilson, Vishnu Warrior, and Michael Omori split the U1800 prize.

The twenty-one player Reserve section succumbed to the Whatcom county raiders. Sterling Dietz of Ferndale and Peter June of Bellingham, both Whatcomites, battled in the final game of the last round to decide first place. Dietz won, finishing with 4.5, while June came clear third a point behind. Greg Dillingham of Bellevue captured second place with four points and was undefeated. Jerry Li, Thomas Witecki of Lynden (Whatcom county), and Carol Kleist tied for the U1550 prize at three points apiece. The severely underrated (835) Sterling Kolde also scored three points in winning the U1450 prize. The U1350 prize went to Jeff Omori with a score of 2.5. William VanderVeen of Lynden was the top unrated, scoring 1.5.

Games (chosen by FM David Bragg)

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Clint Ballard (1943)

NM Ignacio Perez (2201)

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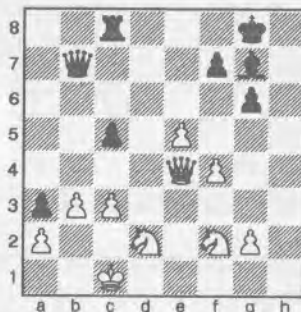
Annotations by FM David Bragg

1.d4 ♟f6 2.♟c3 g6 3.e4 d6 4.♟e3 ♟g7
5.♟d2 ♟g4 6.O-O-O ♟xe3 7.♟xe3
O-O 8.h4 ♟c6 9.h5 e5 10.dxe5 ♟xe5
11.hxg6 hxg6 12.f4 ♟g4 13.♟g3 b5
14.♟xb5 ♟b8 15.♟c4 c6 16.♟b3 ♟f6
17.♟ge2 ♟e8 18.♟h4 ♟e3 19.♟xe3

19.♟dh1!

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19...♟xh4 20.♟xd6 ♟e6 21.♟xe6 ♟xe6
22.♟d1 ♟e7 23.♟d4 ♟d6 24.e5 c5
25.♟b3 ♟xd1+ 26.♟xd1 ♟c8 27.c3 a5
28.♟f2 a4 29.♟d2 a3 30.b3 ♟b7 31.
♟e4

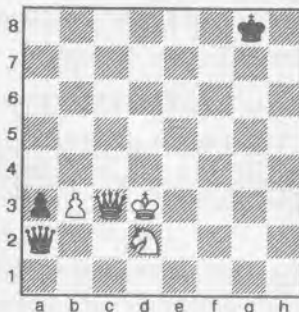


White is building a fortress, playing against Black's Bishop which appears unable to find a useful diagonal. To this end, White would like to exchange Queens, when the Knights would dominate. Then White could maneuver to pick up the a-pawn.

31...♟e7 32.g3 g5 33.♟d3 gxf4 34.gxf4
♟h4 35.♟c2 ♟h2 36.e6 ♟e8 37.exf7+
♟xf7 38.♟f5+ ♟g8 39.♟xc5 ♟e2
40.♟d5+ ♟h8 41.♟ce4 ♟c8 42.♟d3
♟g4 43.♟f3 ♟f5 44.♟c4 ♟d8 45.
♟cd2 ♟g8 46.♟c1 ♟f8 47.♟g3 ♟d5
48.♟g5 ♟d3 49.♟c5+ ♟e8 50.f5 ♟d7
51.f6 ♟f8 52.♟c8+ ♟f7 53.♟c4+ ♟g6
54.♟g8+ ♟g7 55.fxg7 ♟xg7 56.♟e6+
♟h5 57.♟f5+ ♟h6 58.♟f6+ ♟h7 59.
♟g5+ ♟xg5 60.♟xg5 ♟xc3+ 61.♟d1
♟a1+ 62.♟e2 ♟xa2 63.♟f5+

With his next series of moves, White paralyzes Black's Queen.

63...♟g8 64.♟d5+ ♟h7 65.♟d3+ ♟g8
66.♟c3 ♟h7 67.♟d3 ♟g8



68.♟c4+?!

68.♟e4 ♟f7 69.♟f5 ♟e8 (69...♟f8
(or 69...♟g8) 70.♟f6!, mating or going into
a winning endgame after 70...♟b2 71.
♟xb2, as the King walks back to capture
the b-pawn.) 70.♟c8+ ♟e7 71.♟c7+ ♟f8
72.♟e6 ♟g8 73.♟f7+ ♟h8 74.♟f8+ ♟h7
75.♟f7 ♟b2 76.♟g8+ ♟h6 77.♟g6 mate.
Maybe there is a shorter forced mate. An-
other way is 68.♟c1 69.♟c4, 70.♟b4, and
71.♟c4 whereby White wins the a-pawn.
68...♟h7 69.b4 ♟b2 70.♟c3 ♟a2
71.♟b3 ♟a1 72.b5 a2 73.b6 ♟f6

White's plan was flawed, because he must give up his b-pawn for the pregnant a-pawn. Black played on, trying to win on time, but, with a five-second delay in effect, he had to be careful not to lose.

74.♟xa2 ♟xb6 75.♟c4 ♟d8+ 76.♟d4
♟c7 77.♟e4 ♟e7 78.♟d5 ♟a3+ 79.
♟e2 ♟e7 80.♟f3 ♟f8+ 81.♟e3 ♟h6+
82.♟g5 ♟e6 83.♟f4 ♟c4 84.♟e7+
♟g8 85.♟e8+ ♟h7 86.♟e7+ ♟h6
87.♟f5 ♟b5+ 88.♟g4 ♟h5+ 89.♟f4
♟h2+ 90.♟e3 ♟g1+ 91.♟d3 ♟g6
92.♟h4+ ♟g7 93.♟e7+ ♟g8 94.♟d4
♟b6+ 95.♟d3 ♟b5+ 96.♟e3 ♟b6+
97.♟f3 ♟c6 98.♟f4 ♟h6+ 99.♟g5+
♟xg5+ 100.♟xg5 Draw

Bogo-Indian

Mike Terrill (1422)

Joel Aragon (1053)

Seattle, Fall Open (2) 2005

Annotations by Mike Terrill & FM David Bragg

1.d4 ♟f6 2.c4 e6 3.♟f3 ♟b4+ 4.♟bd2
c5

This is usually played after 4.♟d2, but, of course, it's fine here. More common is 4...O-O, which I faced in Terrill-Arun, Portland, March G/60 2005.

5.e3

I should have forced the Bishop for Knight exchange with 5.a3, but I thought that 5...♟a5 was possible. However, it just drops the c-pawn.

5...cxd4 6.exd4 d5

Trying to isolate my d-pawn, which shouldn't have worked. I like 6...O-O, followed by ...b6, ...♙b7, and ...♘c6 before ...d5. Coincidentally, *MCO-14* gives 6...b6 7.♙d3 ♙b7 8.O-O O-O as about equal.

7.a3

Better is 7.c5!, followed by a3, ♙d3 and O-O.

7...♙xd2+ 8.♙xd2 O-O

8...dxc4 should have been played right away. I can understand waiting for ♙f1-d3 to be played, but c4-c5 hasn't been prevented.

9.♙d3

Last chance for 9.c5! I thought my d-pawn was going to be weak after 9.c5, but, after reviewing the Panov Formation chapter in GM Andrew Soltis' book *Pawn Structure Chess*, I realized that Black couldn't generate too much pressure on the d-pawn without a dark-squared Bishop. On top of that, he has a bad light-squared Bishop. My advanced c-pawn would have given me a nice queenside attack. After 9.♙d3, I get into the wrong side (according to my personal preference) of an isolated d-pawn game.

9...dxc4 10.♙xc4 ♘c6 11.♙c3 ♘e7

This appears to be a strong idea, trying to occupy d5 with a Knight. 11...b6 should be fine, too.—Bragg

12.O-O b6 13.♘e5 ♘ed5 14.♙e2

I wasn't sure what to do with this Bishop; so I decided to eventually challenge the f3-a8 diagonal. Sadly, Black's Knights are embarrassing my Bishop pair.

14...♙b7 15.♙c1 ♙c8 16.♙f3 ♙c7 17.♙d2 ♙a8 18.♙b4 ♙fc8 19.♙xc7 ♙xc7 20.♙c1 ♙c8

Black can't give up the c-file with 20...♙xc1+ 21.♙xc1.

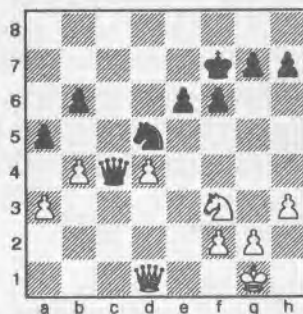
20...♙xc1+ 21.♙xc1 ♘xb4 22.axb4 ♙xf3 23.♘xf3 ♘d5 looks good, too. With the move played, Black continues to fight for control of the c-file.—Bragg

21.♙xc7 ♙xc7 22.h3 ♘xb4 23.♙xb4 ♙xf3 24.♘xf3 ♘d5 25.♙d2?

My intense dislike for isolated d-pawns had been bringing me down and caused me to play passively instead of in

my usual active, aggressive style. 25. ♙a4 gives me three important things: a tempo (thanks to the threat of 26.♙e8 mate) to play 26.♘e5, possible penetration points for my Queen and Knight, and pressure on Black's a-pawn.

25...f6 26.♙d1 ♙c4 27.♙e1 ♘f7 28.♙d1 a5 29.b4?!



I finally had enough of my passive play, and decided to play one of my patented crazy sacs. Instead of the usual piece sac, I give up my b-pawn to get my Queen access to a4, with a clear path to Black's side of the board.

29...axb4

According to my style, if I was Black here, I would play 29...♘xb4! 30.axb4 ♙xb4, with two connected passed pawns for the Knight. Objectively, however, 29...♘c3, hitting the Queen and denying her access to a4 looks best, as it nets White's b-pawn while getting rid of the a-pawns. This keeps White on the defensive and gives Black a passed b-pawn to work with.

30.♙a4 ♙c1+?!

This is just too greedy. 30...g5 looks like it simply refutes White's idea of getting any effective Queen checks. 31.♙a7+ simply gets blocked by 31...♙c7, 31.♙d7+ ♘g6 doesn't get White anywhere, and 31.axb4 ♙xb4 gives Black a powerful extra passed b-pawn. Fortunately for Joel, 30...♙c1?! still gets him half a point, which is good for him due to our difference in ratings.

31.♘h2 bxa3 32.♙d7+ ♘f8?

After 32...♘e7, Black is cruising to a well-deserved victory.—Bragg

33.♙xe6

Aside from dominating the game, the d5-Knight prevents me from stopping the a-pawn. However, I knew I had at least a

perpetual check out of this. It's not what I wanted, but it's better than a loss. Black can't protect the Knight without dropping the a-pawn.

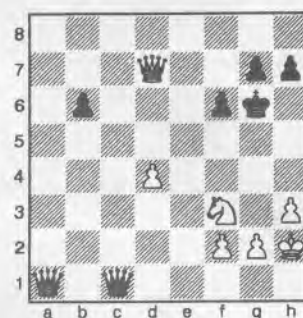
33...a2 34.♙xd5!

Joel looked at me like I was insane (well, I am) and promoted his pawn. Not that he really has anything better, being down a piece.

34...a1=♙ 35.♙d8+ ♘f7 36.♙d7+

And White has secured a perpetual.—Bragg

36...♘g6??



With two Queens on the board, I can understand Joel's desire to not take the perpetual, but now he's mated. If I could just figure out how . . .

37.♘h4+ ♘h6

Both 37...♘g5 and 37...♘h5 run into 38.♙g4+ ♘h6 39.♘f5 mate. Joel starts taking lots of time from here on out, and I'm already an hour ahead on the clock.

38.♘f5+ ♘g5

38...♘g6 gets mated by 39.♙xg7+, and 38...♘h5 gets mated by 39.♙f7+.

39.h4+??

Argh! With about 80 minutes left to make two moves for time control, I let Joel's king escape! I saw the winning 39.♙xg7+!, but thought it let the King escape after 39...♘xf5. I admit I didn't see 40.♙g4 mate.

39...♘g6?

Joel and I both saw over the board that 39...♘f4 wins for Black, but Joel thought that the text also worked. True, the text gets him out of mate, but I still have perpetual check.

40.♘e7+ ♘h5??

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The only square Black's King can't go to! Both 40...♖f7 and 40...♖h6 (thanks to my pawn push) only give me perpetual check. Now it's mate-in-9 at the most (the program JUNIOR 7.0 let me know this).

41. ♖f5+ g5 42. ♖xh7+ ♘g4 43. f3+ 1-0

Caro-Kann Panov-Botvinnik

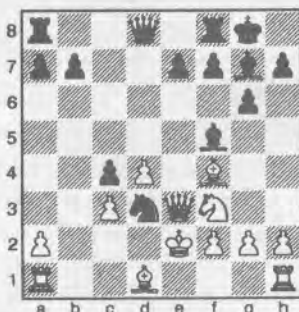
Michael Wang (1453)

Sterling Kolde (835)

Seattle, Fall Open (3) 2005

Annotations by FM David Bragg

1. e4 c6 2. d4 d5 3. exd5 cxd5 4. c4 ♘f6 5. ♘c3 g6 6. ♘f3 ♙g7 7. ♙f4 O-O 8. ♖d2 ♘c6 9. ♙e2 ♘e4 10. ♖d3 ♙f5 11. ♖e3 ♘b4 12. ♙d1 ♘xc3 13. bxc3 ♘d3+ 14. ♖e2 dxc4



Black has a huge advantage, having won a pawn and embedded a Knight in the middle of White's position. Black now makes the win look routine.

15. ♘e1 ♖a5 16. ♘d3 ♖xc3 17. ♙c1 ♖xd3+ 18. ♖xd3 ♙xd3+ 19. ♖e3 ♙fd8 20. ♙c2 ♙xd4+ 21. ♖f3 ♙b2 22. ♙b1 c3 23. ♙xd3 ♙xd3+ 24. ♖e2 ♙ad8 25. ♙he1 b5 26. ♖f1 b4 27. ♙c1 ♙xc1 28. ♙bxc1 ♙d2 29. ♙xe7 ♙xa2 30. ♙b7 a5 31. g3 ♙dd2 32. f4 ♙xh2 33. ♖g1 ♙ag2+ 34. ♖f1 ♙xg3 0-1

King's Indian Smyslov

Curt Collyer

NM Ignacio Perez (2206)

Seattle, Fall Open (3) 2005

Annotations by FM David Bragg

1. d4 ♘f6 2. ♘f3 g6 3. c4 ♙g7 4. ♘c3 O-O 5. ♙g5 d6 6. e3 ♘bd7 7. ♙e2 e5 8. ♖c2 c6 9. O-O ♖e7 10. ♙fd1 ♙e8 11. ♙ac1 e4 12. ♘d2 h6 13. ♙h4 g5 14. ♙g3 a6 15. b4 ♘f8 16. b5 ♘g6 17. bxc6 bxc6 18. ♘a4 ♙f5 19. ♘b6 ♙ad8 20. ♖a4 h5 21. c5 d5 22. ♖xc6 h4 23. ♙c7 g4

23... ♙c8 24. ♘xc8 ♙xc8 and, at least, Black gets two pieces for the Rook.

24. ♙xd8 ♙xd8 25. ♘f1 ♙h6 26. ♙xa6 g3 27. hxc3 ♘g4 28. ♙e2 hxc3 29. ♘xc3 ♘xe3 30. ♙c3 ♖h4 31. ♘xf5 ♘xf5 32. ♙h3 ♖g5 33. ♙h5 ♖f4 34. ♘xd5 ♙xd5 35. ♖xd5 ♙g5 36. ♙xg5 ♖xg5 37. ♖xe4 ♘f4 38. ♙f3 ♘h4 39. ♖e8+ ♖h7 40. ♖xf7+ ♖h6 41. ♖f8+ ♖g6 42. ♖g8+ 1-0

Sicilian Alapin

Thomas Witecki (1513)

Mike Terrill (1422)

Seattle, Fall Open (3) 2005

1. e4 c5 2. ♘f3 e6 3. c3 ♘f6 4. e5 ♘d5 5. a3 ♘c6 6. d4 cxd4 7. cxd4 d6 8. ♙b5 ♙d7 9. ♘c3 a6 10. ♘d5 axb5 11. ♘c3 b4 12. ♘e4 d5 13. ♘g3 ♙e7 14. O-O O-O 15. ♖d3 ♖b6 16. ♙g5 ♙fc8 17. ♙xe7 ♘xe7 18. ♙fb1 b3 19. ♘d2 ♙c2 20. ♘xb3 ♙c4 21. ♘c5 ♙b5 22. ♖d2 ♘c6 23. ♘d7 ♖xd4 24. ♖g5 ♙c2 25. ♘h5 ♖xf2+ 26. ♖h1 g6 27. ♙g1 ♖d2 28. ♘f4 ♘d4 29. ♘f6+ ♖f8 30. ♘xh7+ ♖e8 31. ♘f6+ ♖f8 32. ♙ac1 ♙ac8 33. ♘xg6+ fxc6 34. ♖xd2 ♙xd2 35. ♙xc8+ ♖g7 36. ♙c7+ ♖h6 37. h4 g5 38. h5 ♙d3 39. ♙xb7 ♙e2 40. b4 ♙xe5 41. ♘g4+ 1-0

Philidor

Jeff Omori (1194)

David Pash (unr)

Seattle, Fall Open (3) 2005

Annotations by FM David Bragg

1. e4 e5 2. ♘f3 d6 3. ♘c3 ♘c6 4. ♙c4 ♙g4 5. O-O ♘ge7? 6. d3

6. ♙xf7+ ♖xf7 7. ♘g5+ ♖e8 8. ♖xg4 wins a pawn.

6...g6 7. h3 ♙xf3 8. ♖xf3 f5 9. ♙g5 ♖d7 10. ♙f6 ♘d4 11. ♖d1 ♙g8 12. ♙xe7 ♙g7 13. ♙xf8 ♖xf8 14. ♘e2 ♘e6 15. c3 fxe4 16. dxe4 ♘g5 17. f3 b5 18. ♙b3 ♖e7 19. ♖d2 ♘e6 20. c4 ♙f8 21. ♘c3 bxc4 22. ♙xc4 ♘f4 23. ♖e3 c5 24. ♙ad1 h5 25. ♘d5+ ♘d5 26. ♙xd5 ♙f4 27. ♙fd1 ♙f6 28. ♖g5 ♙g7 29. ♙xd6 ♖a4 30. ♖xe5+ ♖f8 31. ♙d8+ ♖g7 32. ♙xf7 ♖h6 33. ♖xf6 ♖xd1+ 34. ♙xd1 h4 35. ♖xg6 mate

Sicilian Alapin

Michael Omori (1470)

Clint Ballard (1943)

Seattle, Fall Open (4) 2005

1. e4 c5 2. c3 e5 3. ♘f3 ♘c6 4. ♙c4 ♙e7 5. d3 ♘f6 6. O-O d5 7. exd5 ♘xd5 8. h3 ♙e6 9. ♙e1 f6 10. ♘a3 ♖d7 11. d4 O-O

O 12. dxe5 f5 13. ♙b5 ♖c7 14. ♙d2 g5 15. ♘xg5 ♘f4 16. ♘xe6 ♘xe6 17. ♖b3 ♘g5 18. ♙xc6 ♘xh3+ 19. gxc3 ♖xc6 20. ♙f4 ♙hg8+ 21. ♖f1 ♙g6 22. ♘b5 ♖g2+ 23. ♖e2 ♖e4+ 24. ♙e3 f4 25. ♙ad1 f3+ 26. ♖f1 ♙g1+ 27. ♖xg1 ♖g6+ 28. ♖h1 ♖g2 mate

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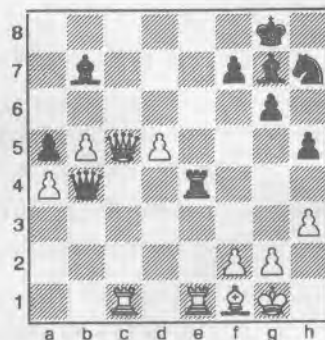
Benoni

Peter June (1693)

Sterling Dietz (1612)

Seattle, Fall Open (5) 2005

1. d4 ♘f6 2. ♘f3 g6 3. c4 c5 4. ♘c3 ♙g7 5. d5 d6 6. e4 O-O 7. ♙d3 b6 8. ♙g5 ♘bd7 9. ♖d2 ♙e8 10. O-O ♙b7 11. a3 ♖c7 12. b4 e6 13. ♙ac1 a6 14. h3 ♙ac8 15. b5 a5 16. ♙fe1 exd5 17. cxd5 h5 18. ♖c2 c4 19. ♙f1 ♖c5 20. a4 ♖a3 21. ♘d2 ♘h7 22. ♙e3 ♘c5 23. ♘xc4 ♖xc3 24. ♘xd6 ♖b4 25. ♘xe8 ♙xe8 26. ♙xc5 bxc5 27. ♖xc5 ♙xe4



28. ♙xe4 ♖xe4 29. d6 ♘f8 30. ♖c7 ♙e5 31. ♙c5 ♙d5 32. ♙xd5 ♖xd5 33. ♖xa5 ♙xd6 34. ♖c3 ♖e5 35. ♖xe5 ♙xe5 36. a5 ♙c3 37. a6 ♙d4 38. ♙c4 ♘d7 39. ♖f1 ♖f8 40. f3 ♖e7 41. ♖e2 ♙a7 42. ♖d2 f6 43. ♖c3 g5 44. ♙d3 h4 45. ♙f5 ♖d6 46. ♖b4 ♙b6 47. ♙d3 ♘c5 48. ♙c4 ♘e6 49. ♙xe6 ♖xe6 50. ♖c4 ♖e5 51. ♖c3 ♖d5 52. ♖d3 ♖c5 53. ♖e4 ♖xb5 54. ♖f5 ♖xa6 55. ♖xf6 ♙e3 56. ♖e5 ♙f4+ 57. ♖e4 ♖b5 58. ♖d3 ♖b4 59. ♖e2 ♖c3 60. ♖f2 ♖d3 61. ♖g1 ♙g3 62. ♖h1 ♖e2 63. ♖g1 ♖e1 64. ♖h1 ♖f2 65. f4 ♙xf4 66. g4 hxc3 67. h4 g2 mate

French Tarrasch

Greg Dillingham (1648)

Sterling Dietz (1612)

Seattle, Fall Open (3) 2005

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. ♘d2 ♘f6 4. e5 ♘f7 5. ♘g3 c5 6. ♙b5 ♘c6 7. c3 ♖b6 8. ♙xc6

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Michael Darby New SCC Champion!

The marathon that is the Seattle CC Championship has finally come to an end. The event began on September 9 with nine players and ended seven rounds and nearly two months later on November 4 with fourteen players enrolled. On the final Friday evening, three players—FM David Bragg, Geoff Gale, and Michael Darby—were tied for the lead at 4.5, and a fourth player, Fred Kleist, was a half-point back. Bragg, who had beaten Darby in round six, was paired with Gale, and Darby, who had beaten Gale in round five, was paired with Kleist. Bragg, playing the Black side of the “solid” French, unleashed an early kingside pawnstorm. Gale batted down the hatches and agreed to a draw shortly before time control. Meanwhile, Kleist put strong positional pressure on Darby, but overstepped the time control with four moves remaining. Thus, Darby became the 2005 SCC Champion, while Bragg and Gale shared the second-place and U2000 prizes.

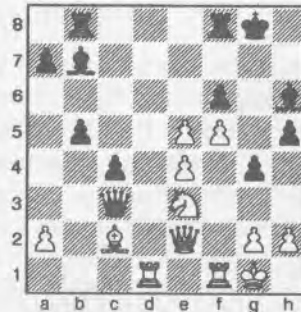
Chris Baldwin, rated 1566, pulled off the two largest upsets of the tournament, beating experts Kleist (Rd. 1) and Russ Ridderbusch (Rd. 4). He drew in the last round with Dan Mathews and the two shared the U1800 and U1600 prizes, each having scored 3.5. Ridderbusch won the Endurance prize by virtue of playing in all seven rounds without winning another prize. The U1400 and Unrated prizes went unclaimed. No player rated under 1400 had entered the tournament, while the only unrated player had failed to finish the event.

Grünfeld

Chris Baldwin (1566)
Fred Kleist (2034)

Seattle, SCC Championship (1) 2005

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 g6 3.♘c3 d5 4.♙g5 ♘e4 5.♙f4 ♘xc3 6.bxc3 ♙g7 7.e3 O-O 8.♘f3 c5 9.♙e2 ♗a5 10.♗d2 dxc4 11.♙xc4 ♙d8 12.♘e5 e6 13.♙b3 b5 14.♙d1 c4 15.♙c2 ♙b7 16.O-O f6 17.♘g4 g5 18.♙xb8 ♙axb8 19.e4 ♙f8 20.f4 h5 21.♘e3 g4 22.f5 e5 23.dxe5 ♙h6 24.♗e2 ♗xc3



25.♘xg4 hxg4 26.♗xg4+ ♙g7 27.♙d7 ♙f7 28.♙xf7 ♘xf7 29.♗g6+ ♘g8 30.e6 ♗e3+ 31.♘h1 ♙c6 32.♗f7+ ♘h7 33.♗g6+ ♘h8 34.♗h5+ ♗h6 35.♗f7 ♙e8 36.♗c7 ♙a8 37.e7 ♗d2 38.♗b7 ♗e2 39.♙g1 1-0

QGD Slav

Fred Kleist (2034)
George Fan (1579)

Seattle, SCC Championship (4) 2005

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.♘f3 ♘f6 4.♘c3 ♙f5 5.cxd5 ♘xd5 6.♗b3 ♘b6 7.e4 ♙e6 8.d5 cxd5 9.♘g5 ♙d7 10.exd5 h6 11.♘ge4 ♙f5 12.♙b5+ ♘8d7 13.♘g3 a6 14.♘xf5 axb5 15.♗xb5 e6 16.O-O ♗f6 17.dxe6 fxe6 18.♙e1 ♘f7 19.♘g3 ♗d8 20.♙e3 ♗c7 21.♙ac1 ♗c6 22.♗e2 ♗c4 23.♗f3+ ♘g6 24.♗h5+ ♘h7 25.♘ce4 ♗d5 26.♘g5+ ♘g8 27.♗f7 mate

Slav Exchange

Chris Baldwin (1566)
Russ Ridderbusch (2075)

Seattle, SCC Championship (4) 2005

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.cxd5 cxd5 4.♘c3 ♘c6 5.♘f3 ♙f5 6.e3 e6 7.a3 a6 8.♙d3 ♙xd3 9.♗xd3 f5 10.O-O ♙d6 11.b4 ♘f6 12.♙b2 O-O 13.♘a4 ♘e4 14.♘c5 ♗e7 15.♙ac1 ♙ac8 16.♙c2 ♙xc5 17.dxc5

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Caro-Kann Exchange

Dan Mathews (1748)
Joe Plesha (1415)

Seattle, SCC Championship (5) 2005

1.e4 c6 2.♘f3 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.d4 ♙g4 5.♙e2 e6 6.O-O ♘c6 7.♙f4 ♗b6 8.♘c3 ♙xf3 9.♙xf3 ♘xd4 10.♙b1 ♘f6 11.♙e5 ♘xf3+ 12.♗xf3 ♙e7 13.♙fd1 O-O 14.♙d4 ♗c6 15.♙e1 a6 16.♙e5 ♘d7 17.♙h5 ♙f6 18.♙xf6 ♘xf6 19.♙g5 h6 20.♙g3 d4 21.♗xf6 1-0

Caro-Kann

Skylor Fryberg (1857)
Chris Baldwin (1566)

Seattle, SCC Championship (6) 2005

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.♘c3 b5 4.exd5 b4 5.♘ce2 cxd5 6.♘f3 ♘c6 7.♘g3 ♙g4 8.♙b5 ♗b6 9.♙xc6+ ♗xc6 10.♘e5 ♙xd1 11.♘xc6 ♙xc2 12.♘xb4 ♙c8 13.♘xd5 e6 14.♘e3 ♙d3 15.♙d2 f5 16.♘e2 ♘f6 17.f3 ♙d6 18.♙c1 ♘d7 19.♙c3 f4 20.♘d1 ♙c6 21.♘f2 ♙c4 22.a3 ♘d5 23.♘e4 ♙hc8 24.♙d2 ♙xe2 25.♘xe2 h6 26.♙xc6 ♙xc6 27.♙c1 g5 28.♙xc6 ♘xc6 29.♘d3 ♙e7 30.♘c3 ♙f6 31.♘e4 ♘e7 32.♘a4 ♘f5 33.d5+ ♘d6 34.♙b4+ ♘c7 35.dxe6 ♘h4 36.g3 fxg3 37.hxg3 ♘g2 38.♘f5 1-0

Sicilian

Fred Kleist (2034)
Michael Darby (1893)

Seattle, SCC Championship (7) 2005

1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 e6 3.b3 ♘f6 4.e5 ♘d5 5.c4 ♘e7 6.♘c3 ♘bc6 7.♙b2 b6 8.♙d3 ♙b7 9.♙e4 ♗b8 10.O-O ♘g6 11.♙e1 ♙e7 12.♗b1 ♘f4 13.♘e2 ♘xe2+ 14.♙xe2 ♗c7 15.d4 cxd4 16.♘xd4 ♘xd4 17.♙xd4 ♙c6 18.b4 ♙xe4 19.♗xe4 ♗c6 20.a3 ♙c8 21.♙c1 O-O 22.♘f1 a5 23.♗xc6 dxc6 24.♙xb6 axb4 25.axb4 ♙xb4 26.c5 ♙a8 27.♙e4 ♙d2 28.♙c2 ♙g5 29.♘e2 g6 30.♙d4 ♙a3 31.♙d6 ♙f4 0-1

Viktors Pupols Repeats as Eastern Washington Open Champion

by David Griffin

For at least the third time in 49 years, Viktors Pupols is again the Eastern Washington Open champion. His 4.5 score claimed first place in the 30 player event held in Spokane on September 17-18. He defeated Carl Haessler, the only other perfect score of the first day, in fourth round action. Pupols then played a long fifth round game with Curt Collyer that finally ended in a draw when both players had just a few minutes remaining on their clock. The draw left Collyer in a three-way tie for second with Haessler and Dave Sprenkle, all of whom finished at 4-1. Pupols claimed the \$150 first prize for his efforts, while the three second place finishers each received \$67 as their share of the second and third place awards.

Perhaps the most outstanding result of the tournament belonged to young Zach Countryman, who scored the three biggest upsets of the event and the only upset victories. His victories were over players rated 340, 312, and 246 points above him. This performance resulted in a ratings gain of 132 points. Zach's three point total won him the \$65 "C" prize as well as \$50 for the biggest upset.

The first round started with all the favored players winning. The upsets started with round two. While young Countryman claimed his first upset victory, Geoff Gale pulled off the first surprise of the tourney by drawing top seed Dave Sprenkle on board one. Gale's traveling partner, Chris Kalina, repeated the feat the next round when he achieved a draw against Sprenkle, while Countryman was scoring his second upset victory.

Sunday morning saw only two perfect scores, forcing Pupols and Haessler to battle on board 1. The game was the final one of the round and featured a mutual time scramble with both players

slamming at the clock while 20 people gathered around to watch the conclusion of the fourth round. Pupols prevailed in the nail-biter. It was one of several time scrambles produced during the event. Steve Fabian continued his age long tradition of playing on the edge — nearly every one of his games ended with a few seconds (or less) on the clock. Steve Merwin also played a couple of memorable time scrambles.

Curt Collyer, who took a third round bye (along with seven other contestants), defeated Gale in a round four rematch of their Lilac Open encounter to become the only player within striking distance (3.5) of Pupols entering the last round. The two locked up in a Slav that drew after 34 moves and nearly four hours of play. Sprenkle defeated Merwin who had fallen into serious time trouble, while Haessler dispatched Kalina to join Collyer at 4.0. John Julian and Michael Cambareri locked up in another tactical slugfest with Julian ultimately prevailing in one of the longer games of the round. Meanwhile, Countryman defeated an "A" class player for his biggest upset of the event.

There were quite a few other winners. Geoff Gale (3.5) claimed the \$65 "A" prize. John Julian and Dave Rowles (3.0) shared the \$35 second prize in that class. Mark Anderson and John Downes (3.0) each received \$50 for taking first and second in the "B" category. A four way tie for the \$20 third prize was shared among Adam Attwood, Michael Cambareri, Steve Fabian, and Raleigh Foster. James Stripes and Dave Griffin (2.5) split the \$35 second prize in the "C" category. Pat Kirlin and Vern Johnson (1.5) each won \$40 for sharing first and second in the "D" category.



At the request of the tournament organizer, I present an annotated game from this event. However, I have no particular

interest in this game at all, and thus I will limit myself to just a few superficial and generally uninformative comments.

Catalan

LM Viktors Pupols (2219)
Curt Collyer (2164)

Spokane, Eastern Washington Open (5) 2005

Annotations by Curt Collyer

1.d4 d5 2.♘f3 c6 3.g3

After this, Black can develop his light square bishop outside the pawn chain without conceding the center; 3.c4 is superior because it fights against this plan.

3...♘f6 4.♗g2 ♗f5 5.O-O e6

Problem solved, now all of Black's pieces are "good."

6.c4 ♘bd7 7.cxd5 exd5 8.♘c3 h6 9.♗e1

It is actually not so clear what plan White should undertake in this position.

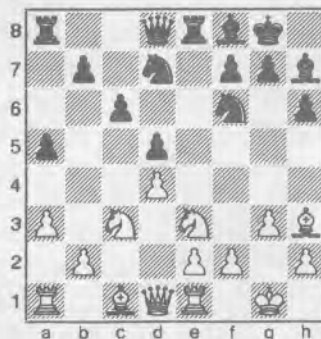
9...♗e7 10.♘d2

Pupols chooses an eccentric one.

10...O-O 11.♘f1 ♗e8 12.♘e3 ♗h7 13.♗h3

"The point." (!?)

13...♗f8 14.a3 a5



Okay, Black is just better here. The position is simply an Exchange Queen's Gambit where all of White's pieces are on strange squares. Unfortunately, the QGD is such an opening where even when everything goes right for Black, the most you get is a minimal advantage.

Bainbridge Slugfest—December 10 and 11, 2005

\$850 Guaranteed Prize Fund, No Entry Fee

Location: Strawberry Hill Community Center, 7666 NE High School Road, Bainbridge Island WA 98110 (5 minutes from ferry dock, shuttle service available if prearranged). **Registration/Entry Fee:** by e-mail or on site before 10 a.m. 12/10. **NO ENTRY FEE**, \$20+ donations recommended. 100% of donations will go toward prize fund allocated according to TD's discretion. USCF membership required.

Top Section (for FIDE-rated players)

1st place	\$500
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1st place	\$100 + % of donations
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Format: USCF-rated, 4-round, color-balanced Swiss in 2 sections. TD has discretion on section assignment. **Ballard Anti-Draw Point System (BAP):** 3 pts for Black win, 2 pts for White win, 1 pt for Black draw, 0 pts for White draw. Top Section will use BAP for scoring and rapid/speed/sudden death games for tiebreaker. Second Section will use traditional scoring with BAP as tiebreaker. **Time control:** G/90 + 30 seconds per move (G/2 if analog clock is used). Please bring sets and clocks. **Rounds:** Sat. 10:15-3, Sun 10:15-3. **TD/Info:** Clint Ballard, clint@slugfest.org, www.slugfest.org

Pre-Registered Masters: IM Georgi Orlov, FM William Schill, more pending.

Explanation of the Anti-Draw Point System: At the top levels of chess, it has become quite clear that if a strong player wants to draw, there is not much that can be done, short of overpressing and then losing. I do not have the power to change the rules of the game. Drawing is part of the game of chess. However, as chess fan, player and now organizer, I can, at least, change the prize fund distribution to minimize or eliminate the so-called "grandmaster draw." Having a no-draw-offer rule is not enough, the second half of the San Luis event proves this. Before the event, pundits were predicting that a +4 score would be needed to win. Topalov scored an amazing +6 in the first half and everyone was playing like maniacs, then Topalov decided he had enough wins and started to play not to lose. Everybody else followed suit, protecting their positions and playing it safe. Kasparov's last round draw on ESPN against DEEP BLUE killed the chances for chess on American TV for a long time. The usual flurry of last round draws in almost all tournaments makes chess unmarketable on TV. No excitement, no drama, no TV money for chess.

Chess will NEVER succeed in the American TV market until we eliminate the draw as anything other than a very rare outcome. With my anti-draw point system, I am hoping to make 100% of games fighting games with risk and uncertainty, i.e., dramatic potential. THAT will have a chance of being marketable on TV. Once we get chess on TV, then TV advertising money will massively boost the amount of money available to top players, coaches and even everyday players. Look at what happened to poker!

15. $\text{d}5$ $\text{c}6$

Probably the wrong plan. I was anticipating targeting d-pawn with an eventual ... $\text{d}8$ -g7 combined with taking the initiative on the queenside. However, I think a slow QGD-style buildup on the kingside would have promised more.

16. $\text{d}7$ + $\text{c}7$ 17. $\text{d}3$ + g6 18. $\text{d}4$
 $\text{a}7$ 19. $\text{c}2$

A very good move, avoiding all danger along the a7-g1 diagonal.

19...b5 20. $\text{c}3$ $\text{b}6$ 21. $\text{c}2$ $\text{b}7$ 22. f3
 $\text{e}6$

22...b4 23. $\text{a}4$ $\text{a}4$ 24. $\text{a}8$
 $\text{a}8$ 25. $\text{d}1$ $\text{a}4$ (or 25... $\text{a}2$) had been my plan until at some point I realized that my queen would be completely ineffective on its queenside "solo mission."

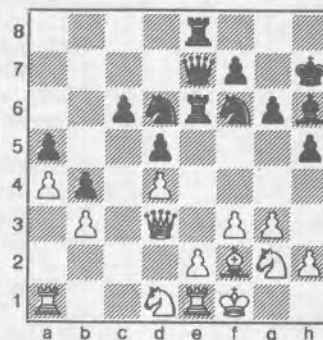
23. $\text{d}1$

White continues shuffling and soon solves all his minor problems.

23... $\text{a}8$ 24. $\text{e}3$ $\text{e}7$ 25. $\text{f}1$ $\text{c}4$
26. $\text{f}2$ h5

26... $\text{e}4$ 27. $\text{f}4$ $\text{e}4$ was what I wanted to play but unfortunately it loses a piece after 28. $\text{c}3$ (28. $\text{b}3$? fails to 28... $\text{d}2$ +)

27. $\text{b}3$ $\text{d}6$ 28. $\text{a}4$ b4 29. $\text{c}3$ $\text{h}6$
30. $\text{g}2$



The culmination of White's defensive plan. How does Black break through?

30... $\text{d}7$ 31. $\text{a}2$ $\text{e}7$ 32. $\text{c}2$ $\text{b}7$
33. $\text{e}3$ $\text{g}7$ 34. $\text{f}4$ Draw

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Oregon Open	Gresham	9/3-5	TD: Lewis Richardson
1 Zaikov, Oleg	2337	2343	W41 D26 W17 W6 D4 W8 5.0
2 Readey, John	WA 2338	2331	D20 W37 W26 W11 D8 D5 4.5
3 Roua, Radu	2268	2251	W48 L8 W10 W20 D15 W18 4.5
4 Raptis, Nick John	2292	2291	D27 W43 W14 W24 D1 D7 4.5
5 Greninger, Harley	WA 2245	2246	W28 W47 L8 W41 W25 D2 4.5
6 MacGregor, Mike	WA 2197	2204	W25 D14 W18 L1 W16 W15 4.5
7 Brownell, Landon	2094	2110	W31 W19 W15 L8 W11 D4 4.5
8 Morris, Michael	2094	2135	W33 W3 W5 W7 D2 L1 4.5
9 Lin, Benjamin	2132	2126	W42 D17 L20 W29 W19 D10 4.0
10 Smyth, Scott	1976	2003	W45 D24 L3 W26 W14 D9 4.0
11 Gale, Geoffrey	WA 1946	1975	W52 W46 W13 L2 L7 W25 4.0
12 Pupols, Viktors	WA 2229	2214	H H L29 W33 W30 D20 3.5
13 Bartron, Paul	WA 2141	2122	W21 W16 L11 L25 W29 D22 3.5
14 Salisbury, Blake	2066	2065	W35 D6 L4 W42 L10 W31 3.5
15 Setzler, Ricky	WA 2003	2018	W38 W23 L7 W32 D3 L6 3.5
16 Phillips, Blake	2002	1997	W22 L13 D31 W40 L6 W32 3.5
17 Schemm, Mike	WA 1987	1989	W39 D9 L1 L30 W49 W28 3.5
18 Perissinotto, Cla	1984	2010	D40 W34 L6 W36 W23 L3 3.5
19 Alpernas, Gregori	1960	1957	W50 L7 D36 W31 L9 W30 3.5
20 Serres, Drew	1949	1997	D2 W27 W9 L3 D24 D12 3.5
21 Pitre, H G	WA 1822	1839	L13 L22 W44 W50 W41 D23 3.5
22 Arun, Aditya	1620	1734	L16 W21 L25 W43 W26 D13 3.5
23 Prochaska, Peter	2200	2200	W29 L15 D42 W48 L18 D21 3.0
24 Janniro, Mike	2121	2114	W30 D10 W40 L4 D20 U 3.0
25 Dickert, Stephan	1861	1909	L6 W35 W22 W13 L5 L11 3.0
26 Tisinger, Steve	2065	2049	W49 D1 L2 L10 L22 W34 2.5
27 Wyde, Ben	WA 1979	1963	D4 L20 D33 D34 D36 H 2.5
28 Brownell, Bryant	1937	1920	L5 D44 D34 W35 D32 L17 2.5
29 Lanka, Adi WA	1905	1915	L23 W38 W12 L9 L13 H 2.5
30 Banner, Richard	1800	1817	L24 W50 D46 W17 L12 L19 2.5
31 Addis, Edward	1805	1814	L7 W52 D16 L19 W47 L14 2.5
32 May, Andy	WA 1836	1841	L46 W45 W47 L15 D28 L16 2.5
33 Peake, Ethan	1768	1780	L8 D48 D27 L12 W40 D36 2.5
34 Bannon, David	1767	1786	H L18 D28 D27 W48 L26 2.5
35 Hughes, Kamran	WA 1779	1765	L14 L25 W52 L28 W50 H 2.5
36 Pendergraft, Troy	1737	1749	H H D19 L18 D27 D33 2.5
37 Wu, Darren	WA 1689	1690	X L2 L41 H D42 H 2.5
38 Foster, Raleigh	1751	1740	L15 L29 L50 D44 W52 W47 2.5
39 Manber, Devon	WA 1630	1626	L17 L42 L49 W52 D44 W50 2.5
40 Sinclair, Paris	1532	1566	D18 X L24 L16 L33 W49 2.5
41 Herrera, Robert	1950	1941	L1 W49 W37 L5 L21 U 2.0
42 Smolensky, Randal	1874	1871	L9 W39 D23 L14 D37 U 2.0
43 Gay, Patrick	1803	1780	H L4 L48 L22 W45 D44 2.0
44 Holler, Robert	1697	1694	L47 D28 L21 D38 D39 D43 2.0
45 Stump, Karl	WA 1472	1465	L10 L32 H H L43 W52 2.0
46 Gutman, Richard	2111	2097	W32 L11 D30 U U 1.5
47 Joplin, Steven	2041	2000	W44 L5 L32 D49 L31 L38 1.5
48 Yamanaka, Keith	WA 1949	1930	L3 D33 W43 L23 L34 U 1.5
49 Chinn, Donald	WA 1773	1753	L26 L41 W39 D47 L17 L40 1.5
50 Zlatnik, Sean	1552	1543	L19 L30 W38 L21 L35 L39 1.0
51 Heywood, Bill	2032	2032	F F U U U U 0.0
52 Harianto, Tjito	1300	1067	L11 L31 L35 L39 L38 L45 0.0

Workingman's Swiss Seattle 9/2 TD: Chris Babcock

1 Fan, George	(1275)	(1470)	W3 W2 W5 3.0
2 Darby, Michael	(1850)	(1832)	W4 L1 W6 2.0
3 Thorsen, Eric	(1474)	(1468)	L1 W6 W4 2.0
4 Plesha, Joe	(1410)	(1400)	L2 W5 L3 1.0
5 Weller, Stephen	(1281)	(1256)	W6 L4 L1 1.0
6 Poyneer, Thomas	(1022)	(1006)	L5 L3 L2 0.0

SCC September Quads & Novice 9/10 TD: Carol Kleist

1 Ballard, Clint	1951	1939	- W W L 2.0
2 Mathews, Dan	1773	1776	L - W W 2.0
3 Piper, August	1541	1545	L L - W 1.0
4 Oseran, Zachary	1464	1481	W L L - 1.0
1 Thorsen, Eric	1474	1488	- D W W 2.5
2 Kolde, Sterling	1113	1259	D - W W 2.5
3 Bindschadler, Michael	0	1221	L L - W 1.0
4 Van Veen, Kerry	1384	1316	L L L - 0.0

Novice

1 James, Mark	1058	1124	- W W W 3.0
2 Zhang, Michael	0	1050	L - W W 2.0

3 Dodge, Jarva	895	858	L L - D 0.5
4 Babcock, Chris	783	771	L L D - 0.5

PCC October Quads 10/11-26 TD: Gregori Alpernas

1 Radu Roua	2251	2240	- D W W 2.5
2 Gregori Alpernas	1946	1953	D - W D 2.0
3 Robert Lundin	1699	1710	L L - W 1.0
4 Richard Banner	1800	1800	L D L - 0.5

1 Brian Kaiser WA	1672	1683	- D W W 2.5
2 Brett Becker	1598	1591	D - W L 1.5
3 Karl Stump WA	1502	1495	L L - W 1.0
4 Nick Figone	1459	1460	L W L - 1.0

SCC Sunday Tornado 9/18 TD: Fred Kleist

1 Peres, Ignacio	2204	2207	W9 W8 W2 W3 4.0
2 Fryberg, Skylor	1868	1873	W4 W6 L1 W7 3.0
3 Mathews, Dan	1776	1794	W10 W5 W8 L1 3.0
4 Li, Jerry	1539	1557	L2 W11 W12 W9 3.0
5 Kleist, Frederick	2034	2028	W7 L3 W9 U 2.0
6 Dixon, Dakota	1652	1647	W11 L2 D7 H 2.0
7 Lee, Nathan	1537	1543	L5 W10 D6 L2 1.5
8 O'Gorman, Peter	1803	1800	W12 L1 L3 U 1.0
9 Manber, Devon	1626	1618	L1 W12 L5 L4 1.0
10 Inglis, David	1448	1443	L3 L7 W11 U 1.0
11 Kolde, Sterling	1259	1265	L6 L4 L10 W12 1.0
12 Thorsen, Eric	1488	1437	L8 L9 L4 L11 0.0

SCC Sunday Tornado 10/9 TD: Fred Kleist

1 Schill, William	2276	2274	W8 W7 D2 W6 3.5
2 Gale, Geoffrey	2011	2017	W6 W11 D1 W5 3.5
3 Kleist, Fred	2028	2026	D5 H H W7 2.5
4 Hickey, Patrick	1792	1775	D9 L5 W8 D10 2.0
5 Li, Jerry	1552	1582	D3 W4 D7 L2 2.0
6 Piper, August	1556	1566	L2 W12 W9 L1 2.0
7 O'Gorman, Peter	1844	1837	W12 L1 D5 L3 1.5
8 Lee, Nathan	1549	1547	L1 D9 L4 W12 1.5
9 Inglis, David	1395	1402	D4 D8 L6 H 1.5
10 Lee, Megan	1412	1418	L11 H D12 D4 1.5
11 Hughes, Kamran	1742	1741	W10 L2 U U 1.0
12 Wang, Michael	1458	1441	L7 L6 D10 L8 0.5

1st Soccer Season Quad Portland 10/23 TD: Sudhakar Kudva

1 Baker, Sebastian	WA 1414(1248)	1525(1384)	- W W W 3.0
2 Taylor, Michael	1631(1460)	1625(1456)	L - W W 2.0
3 Bailey, Taylor	1452(1283)	1442(1276)	L L - W 1.0
4 Kudva, Vikram	1429(1324)	1389(1271)	L L L - 0.0

1 Porter, Nathan	1453(1279)	1468(1311)	- W W W 3.0
2 Diamond, Noah	1194(1063)	1215(1103)	L - W W 2.0
3 Fernandez, Matthew	1187(1117)	1166(1091)	L L - W 1.0
4 Harianto, Michael	940(932)	911(888)	L L L - 0.0

1 Pikus, Aaron	943(937)	1092(1068)	- W W W 3.0
2 Porter, Joel	1175(1087)	1162(1082)	L - W W 2.0
3 Chin, Benjamin	WA 991(976)	968(948)	L L - W 1.0
4 Hannibal, Dana	847(761)	809(729)	L L L - 0.0

1 Coughlin, Drew	974(947)	1060(1026)	- W D W 2.5
2 Liu, Christopher	975(938)	1017(977)	L - W W 2.0
3 Hannibal, Carson	953(895)	942(887)	D L - D 1.0
4 Chung, Howard	1055(1005)	995(945)	L L D - 0.5

1 Peake, Annelise	910(850)	956(907)	- L W W 2.0
2 Teng, Yun Wa	781(758)	897(866)	W - L W 2.0
3 Li, Devin	1011(975)	1017(979)	L W - W 2.0
4 Weiss, Philip	990(939)	905(854)	L L L - 0.0

1 Piatski, Alex	850(801)	942(899)	- W W D D W 4.0
2 Kudva, Priya	769(721)	878(836)	L - D W W W 3.5
3 Malynur, Ashwin	877(801)	858(794)	L D - W W L 2.5
4 Pikus, Benjamin	879(827)	859(810)	D L L - W W 2.5
5 Wade, Duncan	729(725)	717(699)	D L L L - W 1.5
6 Dirickson, Mason	760(728)	714(677)	L L W L L - 1.0

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1 Kelly, Connor	711(653)	718(671)	-	L	W	W	W	3.0
2 Chung, Yvonne	459(444)	614(597)	W	-	L	W	W	3.0
3 Mitasev, Michael	570(566)	602(588)	L	W	-	W	D	2.5
4 Harianto, Samuel	690(690)	547(537)	L	L	L	-	W	1.0
5 Chow, Samuel	773(773)	326(305)	L	L	D	L	-	0.5

Eastern Washington Open Spokane 9/17-18 TD: Kevin Korsmo

1 Pupols, Viktors	2214	2226	W17	W23	W8	W3	D4	4.5
2 Sprenkle, David	2292	2287	W16	D5	D7	W8	W6	4.0
3 Haessler, Carl	OR 2243	2245	W29	W9	W6	L1	W7	4.0
4 Collyer, Curt	2164	2172	W20	W24	H	W5	D1	4.0
5 Gale, Geoffrey	1975	1989	W25	D2	W13	L4	W17	3.5
6 Merwin, Steven	2077	2072	W18	W15	L3	W12	L2	3.0
7 Kalina, Chris	2011	2016	W19	H	D2	W20	L3	3.0
8 Julian, John	1991	1993	W21	W11	L1	L2	W14	3.0
9 Rowles, David	1897	1894	W12	L3	D17	W18	H	3.0
10 Downes, John	1735	1731	W30	L13	H	D21	W20	3.0
11 Anderson, Mark	ID1721	1709	W28	L8	L20	W22	W21	3.0
12 Countryman, Zachary	1460	1590	L9	W29	W24	L6	W23	3.0
13 Herbers, Patrick	1947	1948	H	W10	L5	W15	U	2.5
14 Cambareri, Michael	1787	1781	H	W16	L15	W19	L8	2.5
15 Foster, Raleigh	OR 1740	1745	W27	L6	W14	L13	D16	2.5
16 Attwood, Adam	1689	1696	L2	L14	W28	W24	D15	2.5
17 Fabian, Steve	1647	1683	L1	W25	D9	W23	L5	2.5
18 Stripes, James	1530	1550	L6	W22	H	L9	W25	2.5
19 Griffin, David	1512	1520	L7	W30	H	L14	W26	2.5
20 Walton, John	1572	1590	L4	W26	W11	L7	L10	2.0
21 Erickson, Ken	ID 1509	1516	L8	W27	H	D10	L11	2.0
22 Weyland, Ron	ID 1455	1439	L23	L18	W30	L11	W28	2.0
23 Carpenter, Romie	MT 1809	1800	W22	L1	H	L17	L12	1.5
24 Martin, Robert	MT 1783	1750	W26	L4	L12	L16	H	1.5
25 Chow, Alex	1472	1458	L5	L17	H	W27	L18	1.5
26 Johnson, Vern	1398	1369	L24	L20	D27	W28	L19	1.5
27 Kirlin, Patrick	1282	1281	L15	L21	D26	L25	W30	1.5
28 Spencer, Will	MT 453	452	L11	B	L16	L26	L22	1.0
29 Brendemihl, Steve	1679	1660	L3	L12	H	U	U	0.5
30 Waugh, James	1261	1222	L10	L19	L22	H	L27	0.5

Seattle Fall Open

9/23-25

TD: Fred Kleist

Open

1 Collyer, Curt	2172	2181	W17	W10	W2	W8	D3	4.5
2 Peres, Ignacio	2207	2197	D7	W9	L1	W12	W5	3.5
3 Gale, Geoffrey	1989	2006	W4	D5	D6	W10	D1	3.5
4 Bragg, David	2200	2200	L3	H	W14	D9	W8	3.0
5 O'Gorman, Peter	1800	1844	W14	D3	H	W6	L2	3.0
6 Kalina, Chris	2016	2003	W15	H	D3	L5	D7	2.5
7 Ballard, Clint	1939	1930	D2	D12	L8	W11	D6	2.5
8 Walther, Randy	1800	1817	H	W11	W7	L1	L4	2.5
9 Wilson, Matthew	1711	1730	H	L2	W17	D4	D13	2.5
10 Warriar, Krishnan	1639	1662	W16	L1	W13	L3	H	2.5
11 Omori, Michael	1523	1584	H	L8	W15	L7	W14	2.5
12 Wu, Darren	1690	1696	H	D7	D16	L2	H	2.0
13 Lee, Nathan	1543	1549	H	H	L10	D17	D9	2.0
14 Mathews, Dan	1794	1772	L5	H	L4	W15	L11	1.5
15 Ossiander, Glen	1708	1675	L6	H	L11	L14	B	1.5
16 Guo, Alex	1686	1671	L10	B	D12	U	U	1.5
17 Hughes, Kamran	1765	1742	L1	H	L9	D13	U	1.0

Reserve

1 Dietz, Sterling	1642	1682	W21	W11	D2	W13	W3	4.5
2 Dillingham, Gregg	1648	1670	W14	W13	D1	H	W8	4.0
3 June, Peter	1693	1694	W7	W18	H	W9	L1	3.5
4 Fan, George	1540	1525	L18	H	D11	W12	W9	3.0
5 Piper, August	1545	1527	L9	W19	W15	H	H	3.0
6 Li, Jerry	1557	1552	L11	H	H	W14	W10	3.0
7 Wittecki, Thomas	1522	1518	L3	W21	W14	L8	W13	3.0
8 Kleist, Carol	1461	1477	W16	H	H	W7	L2	3.0
9 Kolde, Sterling	1265	1349	W5	X	W10	L3	L4	3.0
10 Wang, Michael	1481	1458	H	W12	L9	W15	L6	2.5
11 VanVeen, Kerry	1316	1416	W6	L1	D4	U	W17	2.5
12 Omori, Jeffrey	1175	1210	H	L10	W21	L4	W18	2.5
13 Jusak, Jeremy	1525	1503	W19	L2	W18	L1	L7	2.0
14 Terrill, Michael	OR 1321	1314	L2	W16	L7	L6	W19	2.0
15 Wu, Darryl	1229	1244	H	W17	L5	L10	H	2.0
16 Aragon, Joel	1087	1059	L8	L14	L19	B	W21	2.0
17 Inglis, David	1443	1395	H	L15	H	D18	L11	1.5
18 Yang, Matthew	1436	1408	W4	L3	L13	D17	L12	1.5
19 VanderVeen, William	1009	1076	L13	L5	W16	D21	L14	1.5
20 Fletcher, Christopher	1639	1639	H	F	U	U	U	0.5

21 Pash, David	967	855	L1	L7	L12	D19	L16	0.5
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PCC Game-in-80

9/24

TD: Neil Dale

1 Raptis, Nick	2291(2191)	2301(2199)	W10	W5	W7	W2	4.0
2 Haessler, Carl	2244(2151)	2240(2146)	W11	W4	W9	L1	3.0
3 Pitre, H G WA	1831(1718)	1840(1713)	D12	W15	W13	D7	3.0
4 May, Andy WA	1839(1587)	1851(1612)	W17	L2	W10	W8	3.0
5 Gay, Daniel	1755(1498)	1769(1544)	W20	L1	W19	W9	3.0
6 Yoshinaga, David	1763(1695)	1776(1694)	W19	L7	W16	W13	3.0
7 Serres, Drew	1969(1635)	1970(1663)	W14	W6	L1	D3	2.5
8 Gay, Patrick	1790(1512)	1773(1506)	W16	L9	W11	L4	2.0
9 Holler, Robert	1696(1606)	1701(1598)	W18	W8	L2	L5	2.0
10 Becker, Brett	1589(1482)	1593(1485)	L1	W20	L4	W19	2.0
11 Taylor, Michael	1634(1464)	1629(1458)	L2	W17	L8	W16	2.0
12 Encke, Michael	1533(1343)	1551(1369)	D3	L13	W15	H0	2.0
13 Banner, Richard	1813(1580)	1800(1556)	D15	W12	L3	L6	1.5
14 Zlatnik, Sean	1547(1398)	1524(1367)	L7	L19	W20	H0	1.5
15 Bailey, Taylor	1446(1274)	1449(1280)	D13	L3	L12	W17	1.5
16 You, Sean	1316(1225)	1307(1210)	L8	W18	L6	L11	1.0
17 Reed, Robert WA	1114(1085)	1112(1074)	L4	L11	W18	L15	1.0
18 Zhuang, Zhuang WA	1020(1020)	825(788)	L9	L16	L17	W20	1.0
19 Goes, John CA	1463(1463)	1461(1420)	L6	W14	L5	L10	1.0
20 Richards, Bobby WA	542(507)	531(496)	L5	L10	L14	L18	0.0

September Quick

9/1

Spokane

TD: David Griffin

1 Collyer, Curt	(1963)	(1974)	W4	W2	W3	3.0
2 Julian, John	(1889)	(1882)	W5	L1	W6	2.0
3 Korsmo, Kevin	(1591)	(1605)	W6	W4	L1	2.0
4 Griffin, David	(1556)	(1544)	L1	L3	W5	1.0
5 Waugh, James	(1257)	(1269)	L2	W6	L4	1.0
6 Baker, Ted	(1256)	(1229)	L3	L5	L2	0.0

Julian's Fall Action

9/8

Spokane

TD: David Griffin

1 Adam Attwood	1676(1704)	1689(1723)	-	W	W	W	3.0
2 David Griffin	1500(1544)	1512(1558)	L	-	W	W	2.0
3 Kevin Korsmo	1696(1605)	1678(1580)	L	L	-	W	1.0
4 Ted Baker	1214(1229)	1207(1215)	L	L	L	-	0.0

Fall Brawl

10/8

Spokane

TD: David Griffin

1 Adam Attwood	1696(1723)	1699(1727)	D2	W3	W5	B	3.5
2 David Griffin	1520(1558)	1540(1598)	D1	W5	W4	W3	3.5
3 John Walton	1590(1590)	1576(1548)	W4	L1	B	L2	2.0
4 James Waugh	1222(1269)	1215(1253)	L3	B	L2	D5	1.5
5 Ted Baker	1207(1215)	1202(1210)	B	L2	L1	D4	1.5

Spokane Fall Championship

9/15-10/22

TD: Kevin Korsmo

1 Julian, John	1993	2004	W11	W10	W3	W5	D2	4.5
2 Steinocher, Kirk	1897	1913	H	W4	W10	W9	D1	4.0
3 Cambareri, Michael	1781	1791	W17	W12	L1	W7	W6	4.0
4 Stripes, James	1550	1600	H	L2	W11	W15	W9	3.5
5 Weyland, Phil Id	1869	1856	W16	W7	D9	L1	D10	3.0
6 Countryman, Zachary	1590	1581	L13	W17	W8	W12	L3	3.0
7 Chow, Alex	1458	1502	W8	L5	W13	L3	W12	3.0
8 Johnson, Vern Jr	1369	1386	L7	W18	L6	W14	W13	3.0
9 Downes, John	1731	1715	W18	W13	D5	L2	L4	2.5
10 Korsmo, Kevin	1678	1682	W15	L1	L2	W16	D5	2.5
11 Weyland, Ronald	1439	1443	L1	D15	L4	W18	W16	2.5
12 Griffin, David	1540	1516	W14	L3	W16	L6	L7	2.0
13 Baker, Ted	1202	1269	W6	L9	L7	W17	L8	2.0
14 Waugh, James	1215	1237	L12	L16	W17	L8	W15	2.0
15 Kirlin, Patrick	1281	1276	L10	D11	W18	L4	L14	1.5
16 Wynecoop, John	1390	1366	L5	W14	L12	L10	L11	1.0
17 Blue, Alton	1389	1340	L3	L6	L14	L13	W18	1.0
18 Blue, Benjamin	1304	1238	L9	L8	L15	L11	L17	0.0

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Christopher Memorial Northwest Grand Prix

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A few new records have been established in the CMNGP. We have our first players to collect over two hundred points! As of this writing, Geoff Gale has received 232 points and Nick Raptis has received 225.5. And I do not think they are done yet! We also have our first non-resident with over 100 points, Philip Weyland of Idaho with 104. The statistics given below lack results from the following five events which were complete by the time of this writing: Spokane Fall Championship, TCC G/60 #3, SCC Oct Quads, TCC G/60 #4, and the Portland Fall Open. There are still many events to come before the end of the year, such as the Tacoma Open, the Rain City Open, the Washington Class, the Christmas Congress and the Portland Winter Open, plus many more. There are a number of close races for the Grand Prix, so get out there and play!

I have updated all ratings from the October supplement. Some leaders moved up a class again. There will be one more rating update in December. Remember, the CMNGP uses your highest official rating of the year, so the December supplement will be your last chance to move up a class, but it will also be the starting rating for your 2006 Grand Prix, a good thing for those of us whose ratings have traveled in the negative direction this year.

There are a few tournaments for which the GP fee has not been paid. The business manager and I will be getting in touch with those organizers to collect the appropriate fees. If a tournament does not get paid for, the points for that tournament will have to be deducted, which can have an effect on the leader board. Unfortunately, this punishes the players more than it does the organizer. I trust we will be able to collect all fees as we have the last two years and be able to avoid any problems.

Current Grand Prix Leaders

Oregon	Washington
Masters	
1 Prochaska, Peter 62.0	Raptis, Nick 225.5
2 Zaikov, Oleg 50.5	Collyer, Curt 131.0
3 Haessler, Carl 39.0	Bragg, David 105.5
4 Roua, Radu 37.0	Pupols, Viktors 91.5
5 Harmon, Clark 12.5	Readey, John 87.0
6 Martin, Roger 12.0	Mac Gregor, Michael 66.0
Experts	
1 Salisbury, Blake 87.5	Gale, Geoffrey 232.0
2 Brownell, Landon 65.0	Bartron, Paul 162.5
3 Lin, Benjamin 51.5	Kalina, Chris 116.5
4 Daroza, Eduardo 48.5	Sinanan, Joshua 89.5
5 Phillips, Blake 46.0	Selzler, Richard 62.5
6 Morris, Michael 41.0	Lee, Michael 56.0
Class A	
1 Serres, Drew 125.0	Julian, John 146.5
2 Lakić, Vljako 109.5	Cloy, Elston 99.5
3 Banner, Richard 106.5	Cambareri, Michael 94.5
4 Smyth, Scott 92.0	Fryberg, Skylor 86.0
5 Gay, Patrick 88.0	May, Andy 83.5
6 Alpermas, Gregori 64.5	Lanka, Adi 82.5
6 Herrera, Robert 64.5	

Class B			
1	Gay, Daniel	115.0	Buck, Stephen 118.5
2	Becker, Brett	96.5	Attwood, Adam 106.0
3	Hann, Anthony	70.5	Wu, Darren 96.0
4	Robinson, Marcus	65.0	Hughes, Kamran 91.5
5	Taylor, Michael	63.0	Hickey, Patrick 79.0
6	Foster, Raleigh	59.5	Mathews, Dan 74.0

Class C			
1	Terrill, Michael	106.0	Countryman, Zachary 103.0
2	Bailey, Taylor	102.5	Wang, Michael 86.0
3	Kudva, Vikram	47.0	Griffin, David 70.0
4	Zlatnik, Sean	46.5	Monahan, Darby 66.5
5	Midson, Tony	41.5	Lee, Nathan 66.0
6	Sinclair, Paris	37.5	Piper, August 65.5

Class D and below			
1	Esler, Megan	49.5	Wu, Darryl 73.5
2	Wang, Eddie	47.0	VanVeen, Kerry 68.5
3	Porter, Nathan	42.5	Marcjan, Karen 64.0
4	Porter, Joel	32.0	Omori, Jeffrey 60.5
5	Petersen, George	31.0	Waugh, James 60.0
6	Harnsberger, Ephriam	27.0	Marcjan, Cezary 53.0

Overall Leaders			
1	Serres, Drew	125.0	Gale, Geoffrey 232.0
2	Gay, Daniel	115.0	Raptis, Nick 225.5
3	Lakić, Vljako	109.5	Bartron, Paul 162.5
4	Banrier, Richard	106.5	Julian, John 146.5
5	Terrill, Michael	106.0	Collyer, Curt 131.0
6	Bailey, Taylor	102.5	Buck, Stephen 118.5
7	Becker, Brett	96.5	Kalina, Chris 116.5
8	Smyth, Scott	92.0	Attwood, Adam 106.0
9	Gay, Patrick	88.0	Bragg, David 105.5
10	Salisbury, Blake	87.5	Countryman, Zachary 103.0

Others			
1	Weyland, Phillip	ID	1869 104.0
2	Weyland, Ronald	ID	1455 80.5
3	Martin, Robert	MT	1772 55.5
4	Brewster, Robert	CAN	2034 47.0
5	Anderson, Mark	ID	1755 45.0
6	deFirmian, Nick	DEN	2626 42.0
7	Havilla, Mark	ID	1928 39.0
8	Monkhouse, Neale	CAN	1807 38.5
9	Erickson, Kenneth	ID	1509 36.0
10	McCormick, James	NV	2218 33.0
10	Churchill, Sam	CAN	1575 33.0
12	McBroom, William	MT	1605 31.5
13	Skulsky, Ian	CAN	2241 30.0
13	Caluza, Severo	CAN	1736 30.0
15	Bodie, Brad	ID	1702 28.5
15	McCourt, Daniel	MT	1682 28.5

Players in 2005 database

class	OR	WA	others
Master	6	16	7
Expert	14	19	3
Class A	21	37	11
Class B	20	65	12
Class C	26	53	12
Class D & under	58	96	12
totals	145	286	57

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Bobbing For Ice

by Troy Pendergraft

When I was ten years old, Bobby Fischer played Boris Spassky for the World Chess Championship in Reykjavik, Iceland. I've been intrigued with Iceland ever since. As a 4th grader in 1972, I looked at its location on the globe and made a mental note to visit someday. Last month I realized that goal.

I had an interesting side adventure on my trip to Iceland. Aside from exploring Iceland's landscape of volcanic rock, green forests, crystal rivers, spouting geysers, waterfalls, and geothermal pools, I also toured Reykjavik, the country's largest city and its capital. One of my goals in Reykjavik was to see the chess set and table Bobby Fischer and Boris Spassky played their famous World Championship match on.

I went to the National Museum where I knew the chess table and set had been on display until the National Museum was remodeled earlier this year. As I walked in the door, I said to the attendant, "I came to see the chess set from the World Chess Championship."



The Culture House

"The chess table was moved to the Culture House across town after the museum reopened a few months ago." The attendant replied.

"Oh, okay. That's just across town, right?"

"Yes, would you like a map or directions?"

"Thank you. I walked past it yesterday. I know how to get there." I answered. Outside the Culture House, I saw a blue sign announcing the Chess Table from the Fischer-Spassky 1972 World Chess Championship was on display. "Great, it's here." I thought. I walked in and asked, "Which way do I go to see the chess table?"

"I'm sorry, the chess table is in a meeting room and there are meetings going on all day today. It's only open to the public for viewing on Sundays."

"But I'm leaving on Saturday. And I came all the way from the west coast of the U.S.A hoping to see it. Isn't there any other time I could come back to see it?"

The attendant spoke in Icelandic to a colleague and then said, "If you come back Thursday or Friday, we may be able to let you in to see it. I don't think there are as many meetings scheduled toward the end of the week."

"Thank you. I'll come back at the end of the week. I really appreciate that." I said.

I came back to the Culture House at noon Thursday, thinking the meetings would be adjourned for lunch and I was right.

"I was told if I came by today I may be able to look at the chess table." I said to the attendant.

"Sure, go right up. Turn right at the top of the stairs and the chess table is in the board room in the closet."

"In the closet." I thought. "That seems strange."

I walked up the stairs and turned right and walked into the board room. "Hmm, here we go," I thought to myself. I had just enough room to walk around the board room table to the closet on the far side of the room. I opened the closet door and walked into what was about the size of a standard walk-in closet and there among several empty crates and an overhead projector was the chess table, but no chess set. It was like looking at a car with no wheels. It seemed analogous to the closing scene in the *Raiders of the Lost Ark* where, after all the risk, excitement, and adventure, the original Ten Commandments were crated up in a box and placed in storage.

I took a dozen pictures of the chess table and the posters of the match that were stacked up in the room, notably the *Newsweek* cover with an agonizing Bobby covering his face with his hands after the blunder in game one.



Fischer-Spassky Table

Next, I went downstairs and asked the female attendant, "Where is the chess set that goes with the table?" I was lucky. She knew the woman who had the set and told me her name was 'Asdis'.

She placed a call to Asdis on my behalf and, after a brief conversation, informed me that I could go to Faxafen 12 in Reykjavik between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. the next day to meet Asdis and see the chess set. It was the address of the local chess club where I had stopped by several nights earlier. Asdis worked in the business office for the Icelandic Chess Federation.



Fischer-Spassky Set & Board

I stopped by the next morning at 10 a.m. and met Asdis and she took out the chess set and let me set it up and take pictures of it. She also brought out a chess board that Bobby and Boris had signed and played on since Asdis said Bobby did not like the squares on the chess table.

"There were two chess sets for the match you know." Asdis said. "I have the other one too. It's also a Jacques set, but I don't know if Bobby and Boris used the second set in the match."

"Have you met Bobby?" I asked.

"Yes." Asdis said. "I have met him since he has returned to Iceland. He seems happy here." I recalled that a woman named Kristin whom I met at the Museum of Photography in Reykjavik had told me the day before she has seen Bobby in town. "He's definitely around." She had said.

As I set up the chess pieces on the board I became excited. "This is the set Bobby won the World Championship on!" I thought. I imagined it would be the equivalent to being a guitar player and getting to play a few chords on one of Paul McCartney's guitars or being a tennis player and holding one of Pete Sampras' tennis rackets.

So, in the end, I made it to the country I imagined visiting and idealized since I was ten years old.

Iceland surpassed my expectations and I plan to go back again. Who knows, maybe I'll bump into Bobby Fischer next time. ■

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Chess Coaching in Practice

by Dr. Leo Stefurak,
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Suggestions, Advice, and Guidelines for Scholastic Chess Coaches

1. Speak positively. Model optimistic chess thinking.
2. Make students right when they answer.
3. Find the useful part of a student's comment or answer and build on that.
4. Be clear. Be concise. Be simple.
5. Tell the students what you will be teaching them. Teach them. Tell them what you just taught them.
6. Ask students questions that they can answer with "yes."
7. Ask who or how many can do something rather than who cannot.
8. Speak from your heart — speak from your experience.
9. Know that children are not simply little adults.
10. Know that children have their own world and unique sensitivities.
11. Speak with passion about imagination, thinking, and creating.
12. Praise students — find ideas and behaviors to compliment.
13. Be fair and consistent with all students.
14. Encourage students to listen to each other.
15. Enforce the "Prime Directive": instructor speaks, students listen; student raises hand, student speaks, instructor and other students listen.
16. Encourage student cooperation, communication and helpfulness.
17. Emphasize that chess is not just competitive — it is also a game of cooperation, self-control, and communication.
18. Empathize with students. Encourage students to empathize with each other.
19. Encourage students to 'walk a mile in their opponent's mental moccasins.'
20. Emphasize that chess thinking is not about knowing but about figuring things out.
21. Treat instructional sessions as simulations of the tournament chess playing experience. no gratuitous talking, no impulsive actions, thinking things through before making a decision, exercising delay of gratification, thinking in terms of complete variations and not single moves.
22. Explain that students need to concentrate and pay attention in chess club — which is both easier to do and shorter than the demands of any worthwhile tournament game.
23. Be sensitive to waning attention spans and change the activity when needed.
24. Engage your students. Elaborate on their fledgling thoughts.
25. Allow students certain opportunities to "show what they know" while also limiting students desire to show-off or show-up other students.
26. Always indicate that while there are bad moves there are no bad players.
27. Praise a good attitude as well as good ideas and answers ("Attitude is aptitude.").
28. Know that when a student seems to be "wrong," he is doing much that is right (the student answered the question, the student made an effort, the student saw some if not all of the ideas at hand, the student had the courage to offer his answer up for public scrutiny).
29. Be proactive: indicate to students what else they could have thought of, what else they could have looked for, what else they needed to be sensitive to in the given position.
30. Rather than subtract (or detract) from student thinking, seek to add on, elaborate, extend, expand and deepen their thought.
31. Student thought is never really 'corrected' — it is subsumed by a broader, more extensive, and richer view of the way the world works. Give students your view of the way the chess world works — in whole and in part, strategically and tactically, in detail and with the big picture in mind.
32. Challenge your students. Empower them. Show them what it means to have the courage of your convictions.
33. Always project the dignity, respect and civility inherent to chess play and practice. Emphasize that chess is a game of honor, courtesy and good sportsmanship.

Practical Chess Coaching Suggestions, Techniques, and Activities

1. Limit each student to X number (perhaps 5) of questions and comments during an instructional session (if necessary or useful). Students can then 'budget' their inquisitive and 'showing what they know' capital.
2. Insist that students shake hands before and after each game.
3. Indicate that the touch move rule holds always and everywhere, no exceptions.
4. Encourage (and require) that students set up their pieces before packing up their set (to verify a complete set).
5. Encourage (and for older students, require) chess games to be notated.
6. Vary the session activity both within and between sessions: instruction, puzzle solution, race against the clock, chess variants (giveaway chess, monster chess, Crazy Horse chess, etc.).
7. Set up a position and go systematically around the room, asking each student a question about the position: how many checks for White, how many captures for Black, what is the material balance, name all threats, indicate all open lines, name the worst placed piece for each side, indicate a possible plan for each side, what phase of the game are we in?, etc.
8. Encourage exercises in Seeing — see checks, captures, threats, see open lines, see geometry of the pieces, see which pieces are opposed ("faced-off") with other pieces, which pieces are co-linear with other pieces, which pieces form a battery, which pieces are a Knight's move apart, which pieces are across the half-way line, which pieces are centralized, which pawns are isolated, which pawns are doubled, where are the pawn majorities, etc.
9. Pair students together. In general, do not allow students to choose their opponent. Give best friends, gossip partners, and other twosomes the opportunity to play new opponents each session.
10. Go over student games in session. Often it is advisable to leave the players' identities anonymous. Praise good ideas and good moves. Point out tactical and strategical errors. Show how to improve on erroneous or uninspired play.
11. Show how chess games are each a story, a drama, and a narrative with a beginning, a middle and an end. Tell the story of one of your own games, describe the plot, explain the tension, and show how it all worked out happily ever after.
12. Select chess teams (perhaps 2 or 4 subgroups from the big group) and have a group play against another. Each group selects (or has appointed) a captain, plays its final move on a designated 'control' board, and does not interact with the opposing group during play. Each group can delegate certain members to do certain 'mental' tasks — perhaps one delegate can think strategically, while another calculates variations, while another thinks out what the opposing group is up to, etc. They can then all vote for their final move (from a slew of candidates) or the captain can be empowered with that final decision.
13. From time to time, in the play-practice session, set a time control of 1 minute per move — for example, moving only when the second hand comes up to the 12 on the classroom clock. Ask students to move only when you, the instructor, so indicate: not before and not after. Allow students to shake hands (after pairing them together and everyone is ready to begin together). At the start and just before the second hand reaches 12 tell the players of the White pieces to get ready to make their first move. Then at the 12 say, "White move!" Wait one minute — tell Black that it is their turn during this first minute but not to move yet. When the second hand reaches 12 say, "Black move!" Carry on with White and Black making moves every minute. This exercise is intended to slow students down and encourage them to see and think more deeply about their moves.

Use of the Chess Demonstration Board

1. Visually demonstrate your idea on the demonstration board. Remember the limited chess and visualization abilities of your "audience."
2. Simultaneously explain a variation while displaying the moves on the demo board. Allow students to link thought with motion.
3. Show the starting point of a variation and compare it with the concluding position of the variation. Point out the differences visually.
4. Challenge your students to visualize and imagine but seek to ultimately demonstrate the

variation, moves and position visually and manually on the demo board.

5. Verify and confirm the students' visualization by going over the moves on the demonstration board. "Trust but verify." Provide the visual feedback that students need to confirm and strengthen their own fuzzy and incomplete visualization efforts.
6. Point out open lines, checks, captures and threats on the demonstration board. Show not just moves but topographical features on the chess board that may (or should) lead the student into attending to ('apprehending') those moves.
7. Speak and demonstrate the idea, step by step, move by move. Visually "unpack" your idea and show how it is constructed by (re-)constructing it visually on the demo board.
8. Seek to have students "see" and only then "think." This "seeing" can be both visual and imaginal (i.e., through visualization).
9. Enact your plans, strategies, and tactics on the demo board.
10. Students should be encouraged to match words with moves, and hearing with seeing.
11. Students should be encouraged to watch and listen and to attend visually as well as attending aurally.
12. Apply the dictum: Stop, Look, Listen. That is, students need to stop noisy thinking (distraction, irrelevance, internal self-talk) and start watching the demonstration of moves, variations and ideas while the instructor simultaneously discusses them.
13. Stand to the side of the demo board whenever possible to allow students a full view of the board. Carry out the moves so

that students can see the actual captures, checks, and threats being made as they are made. Students comprehend action and change and need to see it occurring on the board.

14. Make a visual point on the demo board and stand back for 10-20 seconds just to give students a chance to visually digest the import of the idea.
15. Use a ruler or pointer (straight-edge) to illustrate lines, ranks, files and diagonals on the board.
16. Seeing is not instantaneous. Give adequate time for students to examine, search, and localize the features and points being taught.
17. Recommend that students take more time seeing and suggest that they attempt to see more after they have found the "main" point being made.
18. Physical sports are often about eye-hand coordination. Chess is about eye-mind coordination. Encourage students to use their "mind's eye" (i.e., visualization) but also demonstrate, verify, confirm, and extend their internal visualization by externally demonstrating salient points on the demonstration board.
19. Err on the side of showing and demonstrating too much rather than too little. Students' visual memory is limited and will be assisted and improved by giving immediate visual feedback (via board demonstration). Communicate visually; visually communicate. Chess play over the board is, after all, a way for two players to communicate their thoughts (in packets called 'moves') with each other.
20. Show and tell; tell and show. True seeing is a lost art — chess is fundamentally about seeing the relationships between

pieces and between the present state of pieces and the future re-positioning of pieces. Teach your students to see; it may be more difficult than teaching them to think! Seeing must precede thinking—seeing gives us facts and content so that we have something to think about. And, of course, seeing validates thinking—ultimately it is what we see on the board and not what we think in our minds that determines a chess game.

Seeing and Thinking to Some Purpose and Student Participation

1. Encourage students to see first and then think. See first, see completely, see all around, see all checks, see all captures, see all threats, and only then start to think deeply.
2. Encourage students to see, to seek, to search, to engage in searching with search patterns and eventually to find. Encourage students to take the time, lots of it, to see completely, thoroughly and exhaustively.
3. The main error scholastic-level students make is not an error in thought, rather it is an error in seeing. And usually this seeing error consists of missing some obvious feature or possible move on the chess board, right in front of them at that moment on their move right now.
4. Students need to see the future and to predict the future — but even more important (and prerequisite) is seeing the present position right in front of their eyes. Teach students what to look for and where to look for it.
5. Do not allow your students to "self-censor" their seeing by their thinking. Often students

stop looking and seeing because they "convince" themselves that some move or idea will not work — even before they have "looked" at it!

6. Do not allow students to misdirect the flow of instruction by their questions or expressed ideas. Students often fall off topic and introduce irrelevant ideas into chess discussion. Limit that potential source of intellectual noise. Thank the student and move on.
7. It may be necessary to interrupt a student whose remarks go off track. Do so gently but effectively. Redirect thought and insight back to the topic at hand.
8. Extract what useful from a student remark or answer (i.e., 'make the student right'), make sure that point is clarified and amplified for the class, and then move on.
9. Explicitly request students to stay on topic, limit their remarks to the issue at hand, and request them to remain relevant, to limit personal remarks and to contribute to the overall learning of the entire class.
10. Often it is useful to request students to only ask questions that the entire class would be interested in hearing the answer to. Remember that trial attorneys only ask questions of witnesses when they know what the witness will say! Seek to use student questioning and answering to increase the signal to noise ratio and to dispel any evident confusion in the class.
11. Do not let students flounder about when they attempt to answer a question. Save them from themselves! Once they start to lose the thread (of relevance or cogency) thank them, make them right in something they said, and re-ask your question (if need be) in such a way as to encourage a more direct or simplified answer.
12. In general, group chess instruction among beginners via the Socratic method may not be a workable approach. It may be better to ask fewer questions (thus allowing fewer off-topic 'answers') and spend more time being clear, concise, and visually explanatory.
13. Limit students' wish to "show what they know." Rather encourage students to "figure things out." Chess is not a game of knowing but rather a game of figuring things out. When a student says, "I don't know the answer," it may be useful to reply, "Yes, you don't know and neither do I, but can we figure it out?"
14. It is often useful to ask students to hold their questions until the instructor is done explaining the topic at hand (this also teaches "delay of gratification"). The instructor can then ask, at the end of a presentation, for relevant questions.
15. Tell students what you will tell them; tell them and show them; answer questions; and then show them, on the demo board, clearly and concisely, one last time, what you are getting at.
16. Students can be encouraged to reproduce a variation which has just been 'developed' through discussion and demonstration.
17. Encourage students to think in terms of variations and not just in terms of individual moves. Students need to make chess 'sentences,' i.e., variations. A move, like a word, has little meaning in and of itself; but placed into a variation (sentence) it can have great meaning and effect.
18. The discipline of chess is a discipline of mind. Chess masters control their thinking and focus it on the topic at hand. Much chess thinking is serial, sequential, and follows a step-by-step procedure. Model this form of serial thinking to students by asking one question at a time (of yourself or rhetorically), focusing on just that question, and obtaining (and explaining and showing) an answer to that question before moving on to the next question. ["To do two things at once is to do neither." — Publilius Syrus]
19. Chess is indeed about asking good questions and obtaining good answers. Indicate and illustrate to students the process of self-inquiry that is necessary to find a good plan and to make a good move. While chess is all about questions and answers, and problems and their solutions, instructors do not have to place all of this Q&A onto their students. Rather ask questions out loud of yourself and then answer them for your students. Model the Q&A process rather than involve students in its production when time and attention are limited.
20. Complete the instructional feedback cycle of idea, variation, and move by showing students, on the demonstration board, what you are talking about. Remember that a picture is often worth a thousand words.

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 20. ♖g6+ ♜f8 21. ♙xh6+ ♙xh6 22. ♖xh6+ ♜g8 23. ♖g6+ ♜h8 24. ♟g5

Black is still up two pieces, but White's attack is decisive. 25. ♟f7 mate is threatened and the Black Knights cannot move without collapsing the defense. 24... ♙f8 25. ♟e6

Also possible was 25. ♙e8, when Black must reply 25... ♟e5. In either case, Black must lose too much material to prevent mate.

25... ♙h2+ 26. ♜h1 ♟e5 27. dxe5 ♖f7 28. ♟xf8 1-0 ■

Seattle Fall Open cont'd from page 8
 bxc6 9. dxc5 ♙xc5 10. ♖b3 ♙xf2+ 11. ♜d1 ♙a6 12. ♖xb6 ♙xb6 13. ♟b3 ♟c5 14. ♟xc5 ♙xc5 15. a4 ♜d7 16. ♙g5 ♙e7 17. h4 c5 18. ♜c2 h6 19. ♙e3 ♜c6 20. ♟d2 ♙ac8 21. ♙f2 ♙he8 22. ♙ae1 d4 23. c4 ♙c7 24. g4 ♙b7 25. ♙h3 g5 26. h5 ♙c8 27. ♙f3 ♙d8 28. b3 ♙a5 29. ♙c1 ♙xd2 30. ♜xd2 ♙f8 31. ♜c2 f5 32. exf6 ♙bf7 33. ♙g3 ♙xf6

34. ♙xf6 ♙xf6 35. ♙e5 ♙f2+ 36. ♜b1 ♙c8 37. ♙g1 d3 38. ♙g7 d2 39. ♜c2 ♙e2 40. ♙g3 e5 41. ♙xh6 ♙e4 42. ♙xg5 ♙xg4 43. ♙xg4 ♙xg4 44. ♜xd2 ♙xh5 45. a5 e4 46. ♜c3 ♙f3 47. ♙e3 a6 48. b4 cxb4+ 49. ♜xb4 ♙e2 Draw ■

Scholastic News cont'd from page 3
 7-12 section. John Talbot (8th, Liberty Christian School, Richland) came clear second on 4.5. Zachary Countryman of Spokane's Wilson ES also scored 5-0 in winning the 39-player Grades 5-6 section. The 51-player Grades 3-4 section was topped by Matthew Talbot (Liberty Christian) with a 5-0 score. Hot on his heels, a half point back, was Martijn Oostrom of Richland's Lewis & Clark ES. The 20-player Grades K-2 section ended in a four-way tie at 4.0/5 among Ryan Wang (Sacajawea ES, Richland), Scott Lien (Wiley ES, Richland), Cyrus Stephens (Lewis & Clark), and Brandon Lien (Wiley ES).

Olympia, WA

The St. Michael's Over 900 & U1000 tournament took place on October 29. Jennifer Apacible (8th, Islander MS, Mercer Island) scored 4.5 from five to win the 16-player Over 900 section. Travis Bleich (7th, home-school) came second with four points. The Grades 4-8 U1000 section ended in a three-way tie at 4.5/5 among West O'Brien (5th, St. Charles Borromeo School, Tacoma), William Morgan (4th, St. Charles Borromeo), and David Gentry (6th, home-school). Four players scored 4.0/5 to finish atop the 24-player Grades K-3 U1000 section: Freddy Davis (Cornerstone Christian, Vancouver), Andrew Johnson (Saint Michael's), Denis Dineen (Saint Michael's), and Aiden Brown (Saint Michael's). Jon Licht directed. ■

☞ November 19-20

Rain City Adult/Junior☞

Format: 2-section (Adult, Junior), 4-SS. **Adult (over 20):** TC: G/155. EF: \$24 if rec'd by 11/17, \$32 at site. **Prizes:** \$100, U2000 50, U1700 50, U1400/UNR 50 **Rds:** 10-3:45, 11-4:30. **Junior (under 21):** TC: G/75. EF: \$16 if rec'd by 11/17, \$24 at site. **Prizes:** \$60, U1500 30, U1300 30, U1100/UNR 30 **Rds:** 10-1-3:45-6:30. **Both: EF:** 25% for SCC members, 12.5% for members of other NW dues-req'd CCs; Unrateds free w/purch 1-yr USCF & WCF. **Prize Fund:** \$\$400 b/30. **Reg:** 9-9:45a. **Misc:** WCF memb req'd, OSA.

☞ Dec. 17, Jan. 21

SCC Saturday Quads☞

Format: 3-RR, 4-plyr sections by rating. TC: G/120. EF: \$6 (+\$5 fee for non-SCC). **Prizes:** Free entry for future quad. **Reg:** 9:00-9:45 a.m. **Rds:** 10:00-2:15-ASAP. **Misc:** USCF, WCF/OCF memb. req'd, OSA. NS, NC.

☞ Dec. 4, Jan. 8

SCC Sunday Tornado☞

Format: 4-SS. TC: G/64. EF: \$14 (+\$5 fee for non-SCC). **Prizes:** 1st 35%, 2nd 27%, Bottom Half 1st 22%, 2nd 16% (\$10 from each EF goes to prize fund). **Reg:** 10:30-11:15 a.m. **Rds:** 11:30-1:50-4:10-6:30. **Misc:** USCF, WCF/OCF memb. req'd, OSA. ½-K rated. NS, NC.

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Challengers Cup/Seattle City Championship

January 13-15, 2006

A 3-section, Swiss chess tournament. Time controls: (Challengers) 40/2 & SD/1; (Championship & Reserve) 40/100 & SD/60. Prize fund: \$1000 based on 50 paid entries, 5 per prize group.

A Christopher Memorial Grand Prix event

WA Challengers (4SS, WA residents only): \$100 & seed into WA Championship (must meet activity & residence requirements) EF: \$25 by 1/11, \$35 at site.

City Championship(5SS): \$225-140, X \$90, A \$70 EF: \$40 by 1/11, \$48 at site.

Reserve (5SS, U1800): \$125-80, C \$60, D \$50, E & under \$40, Unr. \$20 EF: \$32 by 1/11, \$40 at site.

Entry Fees: Discounts—Challengers—none; Championship & Reserve—25% for SCC members, 12.5% for members of other NW dues-req'd CCs; Unrateds free w/purch 1-yr USCF & WCF; Championship—GMs, IMs, WGMs free. **Addition**—Championship & Reserve—add \$1 for 2-day schedule (Rd 1 – Sat. 10 a.m., G/64). Make checks payable to SCC.

Registration: Challengers—Sat. 11-noon. **Championship & Reserve**—Fri. 7-7:45 pm or Sat. 9-9:45 am.

Rounds: Challengers—Sat. 12:30-6:30, Sun. 11-5. **Championship & Reserve**—Fri. 8, Sat. (10 @ G/64)-12:30-6:30, Sun. 11-5.

Byes: Challengers—none; **Championship & Reserve**—2 available. Rounds 4 or 5 must commit at registration.

Miscellaneous: USCF & WCF required. No smoking. No computers.

Future Events

♣ indicates a Christopher Memorial NW Grand Prix event

♣ November 19 PCC Game-in-60♣

Site: *Portland CC*, 8205 SW 24th Ave, Portland OR 97219.
Format: 4-round Swiss (TD may switch to 5SS and G/45 if over 25 entries). **TC:** G/45. **EF:** \$20 at site. \$5 discount for PCC memb. No advance entries! **Prize Fund:** \$\$200 b/20. **Prizes:** \$60-40-30, U1800 35, U1500 35. **Reg:** 9-9:30 a.m. **Byes:** One half-point bye avail. if requested at reg. **Misc:** OCF/WCF and USCF memb req'd, OSA. **Info:** portlandchessclub@gmail.com 503-246-2978 www.aboutchess.org.

♣ December 10-11 Christmas Congress♣

Site: *Tacoma CC*, DTI Soccer Store Bldg, Rm 11 (2nd Floor), 409 Puyallup Ave E, Tacoma WA. **Format:** 5-round Swiss. **TC:** 40/90, SD/60. **EF:** \$25 advance, \$35 at site. Jr. \$20 advance, \$25 at site. Economy (no prize money) \$10. UNR free (to play for first place \$, pay regular EF). **Prize Fund:** 67% of full-paying EFs. **Prizes:**

25%, U2000 (3 equal groups)-15%, 14%, 13%. Economy winner-certificate + free Econ. EF to a future event **Reg:** 9-9:45 a.m. **Rds:** Sat 10-2:30-7, Sun 10-3 or ASAP. **Byes:** Two ½-pt. byes avail. if declared in advance **Misc:** USCF, WCF/OCF memb. req'd, OSA. NS. NC. **Ent/Info:** Gary Dorfner, 8423 E 'B' St, Tacoma WA 98445; 253-535-2536 or 253-627-3731; Ggarychess@aol.com; www.tacomachessclub.netfirms.com. Make checks payable to TCC.

♣ December 17-18 Portland Winter Open♣

Site: *Portland CC*, 8205 SW 24th Ave, Portland OR 97219.
Format: 2-section [Open & Reserve (U1800)], 5-round Swiss. **TC:** Sat 40/90, SD/60; Sun 40/2, SD/1. **EF:** \$30 if received by 12/15, \$35 at site. \$10 discount for PCC Members. **Prize Fund:** \$\$650 b/40. **Prizes:** *Open:* \$150-100, U2000 \$75. *Reserve:* \$100-75, U1600 \$50, U1400 \$50, U1200/UNR \$50. **Reg:** Sat., 9-9:30 am. **Rds:** Sat 10-2-ASAP, Sun 10-ASAP. **Byes:** Two ½-pt. byes avail. if requested at reg. **Misc:** USCF & OCF/WCF membership req'd, OSA. **Entries:** See site address. **Info:** portlandchessclub@gmail.com, 503-246-2978 www.aboutchess.org.

More Scholastic Events

January 2006

16	♣ Martin Luther King Jr. Classic(K-12)	Helen Noonan hnoonanharns@comcast.net	Hillsboro OR
21	♣ Buckman Scholastic (K-12)	Mike Whetter 503-244-3183mwhetter@comcast.net	Portland OR
21	2006 Ollie LaFraniere Mem (K-8)	Jon Licht (360)754-6472 jonjerrie@comcast.net	Olympia WA
22	Chess Odyssey Parent/Child Workshop	Pete 504-5756 pete@chessodyssey.com www.chessodyssey.com	Beaverton OR
27-28	WA HS State Individual Ch	Kirk Wingses kwinges@comcast.net http://whsca.org	Lynnwood WA
28	Bryant Grade Level Ch (K-6)	Gregg 425-221-5886 mephibosheth@comcast.net www.chess4life.com	Seattle WA

February 2006

4	WA MS/JHS State Individual Ch	Kirk Wingses kwinges@comcast.net http://whsca.org	Lynnwood WA
4	Univ. Child Devel. Sch. (K,1-3,4-6)	ucdschess06@hotmail.com http://ucds.org/chess	Seattle WA
10-12	Oregon Junior Championship	Clark Harmon charmon@solarprism.com	McMinnville OR
11	International Chess Jam (4-12)	Randy Kaech kaech@verizon.net http://mysite.verizon.net/kaech	Ferndale WA
19	NSC Scholastic Open (K,K-3,4-6)	Elena Donaldson chess64@comcast.net www.chessplayer.com/NSC_reg.htm	Shoreline WA
20	♣ Capitol City Chess Festival (K-3,K-6,K-12)	Eric 503-931-5626 erichannibal@comcast.net www.oscf.org	Salem OR
24-25	WA High School State Team Ch	Kirk Wingses kwinges@comcast.net http://whsca.org	Issaquah WA
24-25	OR High School State Team Ch	Mike mwolfe@lane.k12.or.us http://ohscta.tripod.com	Cottage Grove OR
25	Cornerstone Chall. (K,1-3,4-6,7-8,9-12, parents)	Norm May 360-256-4397 nmay@pacifier.com	Vancouver WA

March 2006

3-4	Chess for Success State Ch (K-12)	Julie 503-520-8960 julie@chessforsuccess. www.chessforsuccess.org	Portland OR
4	WA MS/JHS State Team Championship	Kirk Wingses kwinges@comcast.net http://whsca.org	Mercer Island WA
4	Bear Creek School Tmt (K,1-3,4-6)	Lisa Dineen ldineen@tbcns.org	Redmond WA
4	Sammamish Spring Tmt (K-6)	Gregg 425-221-5886 mephibosheth@comcast.net www.chess4life.com	Sammamish WA
11	♣ Cooper Mtn/Whitford Sch (K-12)	Kudva president@oscf.org www.oscf.org	Beaverton OR
18	St. Michael Queen's Quest (K-8, girls only)	Jon Licht 360-754-6472 jonjerrie@comcast.net	Olympia WA
18	WA Girls Open/Polgar Qualifier (K-12)	Jon Licht 360-754-6472 jonjerrie@comcast.net	Olympia WA
18	Tacoma CC Scholastic #3	Gary 253-535-2536 ggarychess@aol.com www.tacomachessclub.netfirms.com	Tacoma WA
18-19	Oregon Chess Federation HS Ch	Jerry Ramey 541-232-0328 j-adoube@efn.org	Eugene OR
21-23	Chess Odyssey Spring Break Camp	Pete 504-5756 pete@chessodyssey.com www.chessodyssey.com	Beaverton OR
27	Chess Odyssey Clubs Spring Term begins	Pete 504-5756 pete@chessodyssey.com www.chessodyssey.com	Portland OR area

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USCF NATIONAL Scholastics

For information on any national event, contact Diane Reese at events@uschess.org.

Dec 2-4, 2004:	National Scholastic K-12/Collegiate Champ.	Houston TX
April 7-9, 2005:	National Junior High (K-9) Championship	Louisville KY
April 21-23	National High School (K-12) Championship	Milwaukee WI
May 12-14	National Elementary (K-6) Championship	Denver CO

Open Events

November 2005

15,22,29	Portland CC Championship (Rds 3-5)	503-246-2978 portlandchessclub@gmail.com www.aboutchess.org	Portland OR
16	Evening with Tom Rowan	503-246-2978 portlandchessclub@gmail.com www.aboutchess.org	Portland OR
18	TCC G/30 Action	G. Dorfner 253-535-2536 ggarychess@aol.com www.tacomachessclub.netfirms.com	Tacoma WA
19	PCC Game-in-60	Neil Dale 503-256-5233 pdxchess@aol.com www.aboutchess.org	Portland OR
19	2nd Spokane CC G/10	David Griffin 509-928-3260 dbgriffin@hotmail.com	Spokane WA
19-20	Rain City Adult & Junior	SCC Infoline 206-417-5405 cfkleist@cs.com www.seattlechessclub.org	Seattle WA
25-26	WA Class Chess Fest—Chess 960	H.G. Pitre hgpitre@comcast.net www.nwchess.com	Bellevue WA
25-26	WA Class Chess Fest—Class Blitz	H.G. Pitre hgpitre@comcast.net www.nwchess.com	Bellevue WA
25-27	Washington Class Championship	H.G. Pitre hgpitre@comcast.net www.nwchess.com	Bellevue WA

December 2005

2,9,16	TCC Christmas Swiss	G. Dorfner 253-535-2536 ggarychess@aol.com www.tacomachessclub.netfirms.com	Tacoma WA
4	SCC Sunday Tornado	SCC Infoline 206-417-5405 cfkleist@cs.com www.seattlechessclub.org	Seattle WA
6	PCC Tuesday Quads begin	503-246-2978 portlandchessclub@gmail.com www.aboutchess.org	Portland OR
10-11	Christmas Congress	G. Dorfner 253-535-2536 ggarychess@aol.com www.tacomachessclub.netfirms.com	Tacoma WA
10-11	Bainbridge Slugfest 2005	Clint Ballard clint@slugfest.org www.slugfest.org	Bainbridge Island WA
17	SCC Saturday Quads	SCC Infoline 206-417-5405 cfkleist@cs.com www.seattlechessclub.org	Seattle WA
17-18	Portland Winter Open	Neil Dale 503-256-5233 pdxchess@aol.com www.aboutchess.org	Portland OR
18	Wash. Action Chmp.	G. Dorfner 253-535-2536 ggarychess@aol.com www.tacomachessclub.netfirms.com	Tacoma WA
24	Portland CC Game-in-45 CANCELLED	Neil Dale 503-256-5233 pdxchess@aol.com www.aboutchess.org	Portland OR

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6,13,20	TCC Quads	G. Dorfner 253-535-2536 ggarychess@aol.com www.tacomachessclub.netfirms.com	Tacoma WA
7	TCC Game in 60 #1	G. Dorfner 253-535-2536 ggarychess@aol.com www.tacomachessclub.netfirms.com	Tacoma WA
7-8	Gresham Open	503-246-2978 portlandchessclub@gmail.com www.aboutchess.org	Gresham OR
8	SCC Sunday Tornado	SCC Infoline 206-417-5405 cfkleist@cs.com www.seattlechessclub.org	Seattle WA
10	PCC Tuesday Quads begins	503-246-2978 portlandchessclub@gmail.com www.aboutchess.org	Portland OR
13-15	Chal. Cup./ Seattle City Ch.	SCC Infoline 206-417-5405 cfkleist@cs.com www.seattlechessclub.org	Seattle WA
19,26 (Rd 1-2)	Spokane CC Winter Ch.	928-3260 dbgriffin@hotmail.com www.spokanechessclub.org	Spokane WA
21	SCC Saturday Quads	SCC Infoline (206) 417-5405 cfkleist@cs.com www.seattlechessclub.org	Seattle WA
27	TCC Membership Meeting	G. Dorfner 253-535-2536 ggarychess@aol.com www.tacomachessclub.netfirms.com	Tacoma WA
28	PCC Game-in-60	503-246-2978 portlandchessclub@gmail.com www.aboutchess.org	Portland OR
28	PCC Annual Meeting	503-246-2978 portlandchessclub@gmail.com www.aboutchess.org	Portland OR
28-29	Stephen Christopher Memorial	G. Dorfner 253-535-2536 ggarychess@aol.com www.tacomachessclub.netfirms.com	Tacoma WA

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Scholastic Events

November 2005

19	♠ Eugene Fall Classic Scholastic (K-12)	Jerry Ramey 541-232-0328 j-adoube@efn.org www.chessways.com	Eugene OR
19	Chess Mates' Fall Kick-Off	chessmates@earthlink.net	Seattle WA
19	OR Grade-Level Ch	Pete 504-5756 pete@chessodyssey.com www.chessodyssey.com	Portland OR
19	Rain City Junior	SCC Infoline 206-417-5405 cfkleist@cs.com www.seattlechessclub.org	Seattle WA
25	Washington Class Scholastic	David Hendricks DavidCHenricks@comcast.net www.nwchess.com	Bellevue WA
28	Beta Tournament (4-12)	Randy Kaech kaech@verizon.net http://mysite.verizon.net/kaech	Lynden WA

December 2005

3	Bryant Fall Classic (K,1-3,4-6)	Dave joswiak@astro.washington.edu www.bryantschool.org	Seattle WA
3	Richland Rook Roundup (K-2,3-4,5-6,7-12)	Cathy Kuwamoto@rsd.edu http://whsca.org/rrr2005.doc	Richland WA
10	Intermat Tournament (invitation)	Kirk Winges kwinges@comcast.net http://whsca.org	TBA
10	♠ Buckman Scholastic (K-12)	Mike Whetter 503-244-3183 mwhetter@comcast.net	Portland OR
10	Lakeridge Elementary (K,1-3,4-6)	www.cmiregistration.com/user/org/category.jsp?id=5644&org=216	Mercer Island WA
10	WA Class Action - JHS, MS, & HS	Kirk Winges kwinges@comcast.net http://whsca.org	TBA
17	♠ Hillsboro Holiday Classic (K-12)	Helen Noonan hnoonanharns@comcast.net	Hillsboro OR
17	Skagit Chessfest (K-3,4-6,7-12)	Randy Walther randywalther@msn.com	Sedro-Woolley WA
17	Sammamish Winter Chess Tmt (K-6)	Gregg 425-221-5886 mephibosheth@comcast.net www.chess4life.com	Sammamish WA
17	NSC Scholastic Open (K,K-3,4-6)	Elena Donaldson chess64@comcast.net www.chessplayer.com/NSC_reg.htm	Shoreline WA
17	Ridgefield Holiday Extravaganza (K-3,4-6,7-12)	Steve Seymour (360)887-8315 seymours@pacifier.com	Ridgefield WA
27-29	Chess Odyssey Holiday Camp	Pete 504-5756 pete@chessodyssey.com www.chessodyssey.com	Beaverton OR

January 2006

2	Chess Odyssey Clubs Winter Term begins	Pete 504-5756 pete@chessodyssey.com www.chessodyssey.com	Portland OR area
5	Winter Olympics Team Tmt (K-12)	Pete 503-504-5756 pete@chessodyssey.com www.chessodyssey.com	Hillsboro OR
7	King's Way Christian Sch (K,K-3,4-6,7-9,10-12)	360-735-7717 jackiebaker@hotmail.com www.kwcs.org	Vancouver WA
14	WA Scholastic Action Ch (6-8,9-12)	Kirk Winges kwinges@comcast.net http://whsca.org	Lynnwood WA
14	WA Scholastic Action Ch (6-8,9-12)	Randy Kaech kaech@verizon.net http://whsca.org	TBA

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