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2 Chen, Howard 12864719 2031361	2427 2356	1		1	1	0	0.5	1	0.5	1	1	7.0	28.50	1st
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6 Ummel, Igor 12851589 2045478	2141 2110	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	1		0.5	0.5	1	0.5	5.5	24.00	2nd
7 Golub, David 13483694 2060051	2203 2157	0.5	0	1	1	1	0.5		0.5	0	0	4.5	18.00	=4th-5th
8 Lapid Shafriri, Gil 13853118 2039931	2203 2175	1	0.5	0.5	0	0	0.5	0.5		0.5	1	4.5	19.75	=4th-5th
9 Sinanan, Joshua 12826891 2027593	2253 2228	0.5	0	0.5	1	0.5	0	1	0.5		0	4.0	16.25	
10 Koons, Nat 12602749 2016729	2280 2265	1	0	0.5	0	1	0.5	1	0	1		5.0	20.00	3rd

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Games from the Washington Championship

FM Howard Chen Wins! Igor Ummel Second

The three sections of the Washington Championship—Championship, Premier, and Invitational—were again ensconced in the friendly confines of the Seattle Chess Club. The first weekend set the tone for the event, as five of the six early leaders finished in the money.

FM Howard Chen blew away his first four opponents, establishing a one-and-a-half point lead over NMs Nat Koons and David Golub and Expert Igor Ummel. Koons lost to Chen in Round Three and then turned around to defeat Golub in the following round. Ummel remarked that he was glad to have played FM Ignacio Perez before Perez was in full attack mode. After defeating Perez in the first round, Ummel drew the rest of the weekend's games. Also among the leaders were NMs Dereque Kelley and Joshua Sinanan, both with even 2-2 scores. Kelley turned accepted round-robin strategy on its head, winning as Black and losing as White, while Sinanan drew as White and had decisive games with Black against Chen and Kelley. The biggest surprise of the first weekend was the poor form of NM Harley Greninger, who managed but a single draw.

First Weekend

11-12 February

C10 French Rubinstein

LM Viktors Pupols (2200)

NM Gil Lapid Shafiriri (2203)

Seattle, WA Championship (I) 2012

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.♘c3 dxe4 4. ♘xe4 ♘d7 5.♗d3 ♘gf6 6.♞e2 ♗e7 7.♘f3 O-O 8.O-O ♘xe4 9. ♗xe4 ♘f6 10.♗d3 b6 11.c3 ♗b7 12.♗g5 ♞d5 13.♞fe1 c5 14.c4 ♞d8 15.d5 ♘xd5 16.♞e4 ♘f6 17. ♞xb7 ♞b8 18.♞xa7 ♞a8 19.♞b7 ♞b8 20.♗xh7+ ♗xh7 21.♞c6 ♞c8

22.♞a4 ♞c7 23.♞ad1 ♗g8 24. ♞c2 ♞cd8 25.b3 ♞xd1 26.♞xd1 ♞d8 27.h3 ♞xd1+ 28.♞xd1 ♘e4 29.♗xe7 ♞xe7 30.♞d3 ♘d6 31. ♘e5 ♞g5 32.♘d7 ♞c1+ 33.♞f1 ♞c2 34.♘xb6 ♞xa2 35.♞d3 ♘f5 36.♘d7 ♞a5 37.f4 ♘d4 38.♗h2 ♞b4 39.♞e4 ♞a5 40.♞e5 ♞d2 41.♞b8+ ♗h7 42.♘f8+ ♗h6 43. ♘d7 ♗h7 44.♘f8+ ♗h6 45.♘d7 Draw

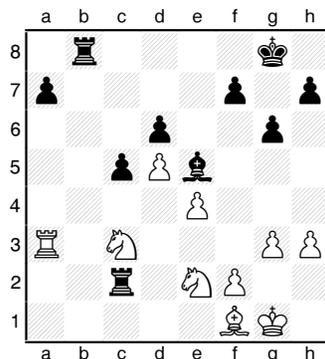
A65 Modern Benoni

NM Harley Greninger (2210)

NM Nat Koons (2280)

Seattle, WA Championship (I) 2012

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.g3 c5 4.d5 exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.♘c3 g6 7.♗g2 ♗g7 8.e4 O-O 9.♘ge2 ♞e8 10.♞c2 ♘a6 11.O-O ♞b8 12.♗f4 b5 13.a4 bxa4 14.♞xa4 ♘g4 15.♞d2 ♞b6 16.h3 ♘e5 17.♗xe5 ♗xe5 18. ♞fa1 ♞xb2 19.♞xb2 ♞xb2 20. ♞xa6 ♗xa6 21.♞xa6 ♞c2 22. ♞a3 ♞b8 23.♗f1



23...c4 24.♞a4 ♗xc3 25.♞xc4 ♞b3 26.♘d4 ♗xd4 27. ♞xc2 ♞xg3+ 28.♗h2 ♞b3 29. ♗g2 g5 30.♗e2 a5 31.♞c6 ♞b2 32.♗f1 ♗e5 33.♞a6 ♞a2 34.♗b5 ♗g7 35.♗g2 ♗f6 36.♗e8 ♗e7 37.♗c6 ♗d4 38.♗f3 h5 39.♞a8 ♞xf2+

40.♗g3 ♞a2 41.♞e8+ ♗f6 42. ♞d8 ♗e5+ 43.♗f3 ♞a3+ 0-1

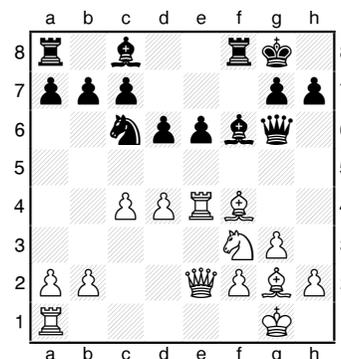
A97 Dutch Iljin-Genevsky

NM Dereque Kelley (2291)

NM David Golub (2203)

Seattle, WA Championship (I) 2012

1.d4 e6 2.c4 f5 3.g3 ♘f6 4.♗g2 ♗e7 5.♘f3 O-O 6.O-O d6 7.♘c3 ♞e8 8.♞e1 ♞g6 9.e4 fxe4 10. ♘xe4 ♘xe4 11.♞xe4 ♘c6 12.♞e2 ♗f6 13.♗f4



13...d5 14.♞xe6 ♗xe6 15.♞xe6+ ♗h8 16.cxd5 ♞ae8 17.♘h4 ♞c2 18.♞f5 ♘xd4 19.♞xc2 ♘xc2 20. ♞c1 ♘d4 21.♞c4 ♘e2+ 22.♗f1 ♘xf4 23.♞xf4 g5 0-1

E14 Queen's Indian

FM Howard Chen (2427)

NM Joshua Sinanan (2253)

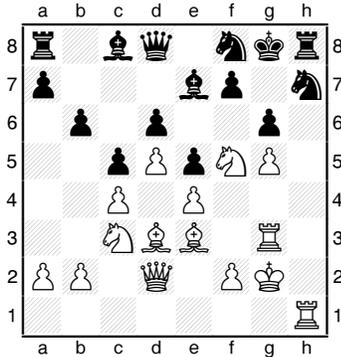
Seattle, WA Championship (I) 2012

1.d4 ♘f6 2.♘f3 e6 3.e3 b6 4.♗d3 ♗b7 5.O-O c5 6.c4 ♗e7 7.♘c3 O-O

7...cxd4 8.exd4 d5 9.♗g5 O-O 10. ♞e2 dxc4 11.♗xc4 ♘c6 12.♞ad1 ♘b4 13.♘e5 ♘fd5=

8.d5 d6 9.e4 e5 10.h3 ♘e8 11. ♗h1 ♗c8 12.g4 h5 13.♞g1 hxg4

14.hxg4 ♖f6 15.g5 ♖h7 16.♗e3 g6 17.♖g3 ♗g7 18.♚d2 ♜h8 19. ♗g2 ♖d7 20.♜h1 ♖df8 21.♖h4 ♗g8 22.♖f5



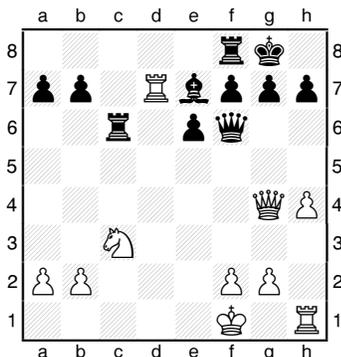
22...♗d7 23.f4 ♖e8 24.fxe5 dxe5 25.♜f1 gxf5 26.exf5 ♖g6 27.fxg6 fxg6 28.♖e4 ♗g7 29.♚c3 1-0

B13 Caro-Kann Panov-Botvinnik

FM Ignacio Perez (2269)
Igor Ummel (2141)

Seattle, WA Championship (1) 2012

1.d4 c5 2.e3 cxd4 3.exd4 d5 4.c4 ♖f6 5.♖c3 ♖c6 6.♗g5 dxc4 7.♖f3 ♗g4 8.♗xc4 ♗xf3 9.♚xf3 ♚xd4 10. ♗b5 ♖e5+ 11.♗f1 ♜c8 12.♗xf6 ♚xf6 13.♚g4 e6 14.♜d1 ♗e7 15.h4 O-O 16.♗xc6 ♜xc6 17.♜d7



17...b5 18.♚g5 ♚xc3 19.♚xe7 ♚c1+ 20.♗e2 ♚xb2+ 21.♜d2 ♜c2 22.♜hd1 ♚xa2 23.♗e3 ♜xd2 24.♜xd2 ♚a6 25.♗f3 ♚b6 26.h5 h6 27.g4 ♚c6+ 28.♗e3 a5 29.f4 ♚c3+ 30.♜d3 ♚e1+ 31.♗f3 ♚f1+ 32.♗e3 ♚h3+ 0-1

D30 QGD Semi-Slav

NM Joshua Sinanan (0.0)
LM Viktors Pupols (0.5)

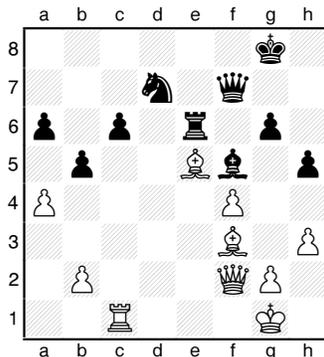
Seattle, WA Championship (2) 2012

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.♖f3 e6 4.e3 ♖d7

5.♗d3 ♖gf6 6.O-O dxc4 7.♗xc4 b5 8.♗d3 a6 9.a4 ♗b7 10.♖bd2

10.e4 ♚c7 11.axb5 axb5 12.♜xa8 ♗xa8 13.♗g5 h6 14.♗h4 g5 15.♗g3 ♚b6 16.♖c3 g4 17.♖e5 ♚xd4 18.♖g6 fxg6 19.e5 ♗c5 20.♗xg6+ ♗e7 21. exf6+ ♖xf6 22.♚e2 ♜g8 23.♜d1 ♚c4 24.♗d3 ♚b3 25.♗b1 ♖d5 26.♗a2 ♚b4 27.♜e1 ♜g6 28.♗b1 ♜f6 29.♗h4 ♖f4 30.♚e5 1-0, Kruppa-Solovjov, St. Petersburg 1998.

10...♗d6 11.e4 e5 12.dxe5 ♖xe5 13.♖xe5 ♗xe5 14.♖f3 ♚e7 15. ♖xe5 ♚xe5 16.♚e2 ♜d8 17.♗e3 O-O 18.f4 ♚e7 19.♜ac1 ♜fe8 20.e5 ♖d5 21. ♗c5 ♚e6 22.♚c2 g6 23.♜ce1 f5 24.exf6 ♚xf6 25. ♜xe8+ ♜xe8 26.♚f2 ♗c8 27.♗d4 ♚f7 28.♗e5 ♗f5 29.♗e2 ♖f6 30.h3 h5 31.♜c1 ♜e6 32.♗f3 ♖d7



33.♗d4 ♗e4 34.♗xe4 ♜xe4 35. ♜xc6 ♚xf4 36.♚xf4 ♜xf4 37.♜d6 ♖f8 38.a5 ♗f7 39.♗e3 ♜e4 40. ♗h6 ♜e2 41.♗xf8 ♗xf8 42.♜xg6 ♜xb2 43.♜xa6 ♗g7 44.♜b6 b4 45.♗h2 ♜a2 46.a6 b3 47.♗g3 ♜a4 48.♜b7+ ♗g6 49.a7 b2 50.♜b6+ ♗f5 51.♜b5+ ♗g6 52.♜xb2 ♜xa7 53.♜b6+ ♗g5 54.h4+ ♗f5 55.♗h3 ♜h7 56.g3 ♜h8 57.♗g2 ♜h7 58. ♗f3 ♜h8 59.♜b5+ ♗g6 60.♜g5+ ♗h6 61.♗f4 ♜a8 62.♜e5 ♜a4+ 63.♜e4 ♜a3 64.♜e6+ ♗g7 65. ♜e3 ♜a4+ 66.♜e4 ♜a3 67.♜e3 ♜a4+ 68.♗f5 ♜a5+ 69.♜e5 ♜a3 70.♗f4 ♜a4+ 71.♗g5 ♜g4+ 72. ♗xh5 ♜xg3 73.♜e7+ ♗h8 74.♗h6 ♜g7 75.♜e8+ ♜g8 76.♜e6 ♜g7 77.h5 ♜h7+ 78.♗g5 ♜g7+ 79. ♗h6 ♜h7+ 80.♗g5 ♜g7+ 81.♜g6 ♜xg6+ 82.hxg6 ♗g7 83.♗f5 ♗g8 84.♗f6 ♗f8 85.g7+ ♗g8 86.♗g6 Draw

D32 QGD Tarrasch

NM Nat Koons (1.0)
Igor Ummel (1.0)

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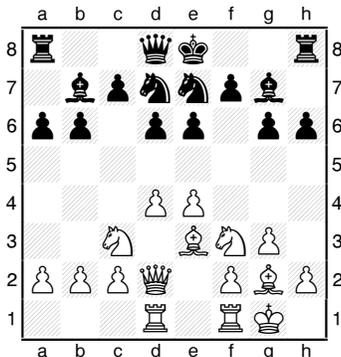
1.♖f3 ♖f6 2.c4 e6 3.♖c3 d5 4.d4 c5 5.cxd5 exd5 6.♗g5 cxd4 7. ♖xd4 ♗e7 8.e3 O-O 9.♗e2 ♖c6 10.O-O ♗e6 11.♜c1 ♜c8 12.♚d3 ♚b6 13.♖f5 ♚xb2 14.♖xe7+ ♖xe7 15.♗xf6 gxf6 16.♜c2 ♚b6 17.♚d2 ♗g7 18.♜b1 ♚c7 19.♗d3 ♚d7 20.♖e2 ♖g6 21.♜cb2 b6 22.♖g3 ♗h8 23.f4 ♖h4 24.♜b4 ♜g8 25.♜f1 ♖f5 26.♚b2 ♜g6 27. ♗xf5 ♗xf5 28.♜d4 ♚e6 29.♚b3 ♜gg8 30.♖xf5 ♚xf5 31.♚xd5 ♚xd5 32.♜xd5 ♜c2 33.♜f2 ♜c1+ 34.♜f1 ♜c2 35.♜f2 Draw

B06 Hippopotamus

NM Harley Greninger (0.0)
FM Howard Chen (1.0)

Seattle, WA Championship (2) 2012

1.d4 g6 2.e4 d6 3.♖f3 ♗g7 4.♖c3 e6 5.♗e3 ♖e7 6.♚d2 h6 7.g3 b6 8.♗g2 ♗b7 9.O-O ♖d7 10.♜ad1 a6



11.♜fe1 ♗f8 12.h3 ♗g8 13.♖h2 ♗h7 14.f4 d5 15.♗f2 ♜b8 16.♖f3 ♜f8 17.♖e5 ♖f6 18.♚e2 ♖c8 19. g4 ♖d6 20.♖xg6 fxg6 21.e5 ♖fe4 22.exd6 ♖xf2 23.♚xf2 ♚xd6 24.♖e2 ♜f7 25.♚e3 ♜bf8 26.c3 ♗c6 27.♜d2 ♗d7 28.h4 ♗b5 29.h5 gxh5 30.gxh5 c5 31.dxc5 bxc5 32.f5 ♜xf5 33.♗e4 ♗h8 34.♗xf5 ♜xf5 35.♖g3 ♜e5 36.♚f2 ♜g5 37.♜e3 d4 38.♜f3 ♗c6 39.♜f4 ♚d5 40.♗f1 ♚xa2 41.♜d1 ♚b3 42.♜e1 dxc3 43.bxc3 ♚d5 44.♖e4 ♗b5+ 0-1

E96 King's Indian Classical

NM David Golub (1.0)
FM Ignacio Perez (0.0)

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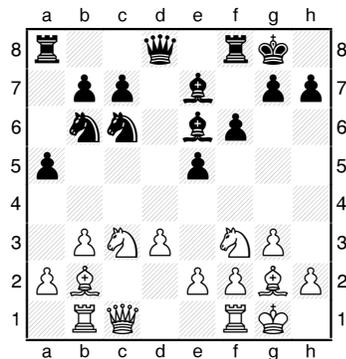
1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 g6 3.♗c3 ♘g7 4.e4 d6 5.♗f3 O-O 6.♙e2 ♗bd7 7.O-O e5 8.♚e1 c6 9.♙f1 ♚e8 10.♚b1 a5 11.d5 ♗c5 12.b3 ♚e7 13.a3 cxd5 14.cxd5 ♙d7 15.♗d2 ♗h5 16.♗c4 f5 17.♗b6 f4 18.♗xd7 ♗xd7 19.♗b5 ♗df6 20.a4 ♙f8 21.♙a3 ♚ad8 22.♚c1 ♚d7 23.♚c3 ♗g7 24.♚c2 g5 25.f3 g4 26.♚c1 ♚f7 27.♗a7 ♚a8 28.♗c8 ♚b8 29.♚c7 ♗ge8 30.♚xd7 ♚xd7 31.♙b5 ♚g7 32.♗h1 ♗d7 33.♚c3 ♗c5 34.♗b6 ♗c7 35.♙xc5 ♗xb5 36.axb5 dxc5 37.♗c4 ♚e8 38.♚xa5 gxf3 39.gxf3 ♚f7 40.♚g1+ ♗h8 41.♚b6 ♙g7 42.♚xc5 ♚h5 43.♗d2 ♙f6 44.♚c2 ♚h4 45.♚c7 ♚d8 46.♗c4 h6 47.♗d6 1-0

A29 English Opening

NM Gil Lapid Shafirri (0.5)
NM Dereque Kelley (0.0)

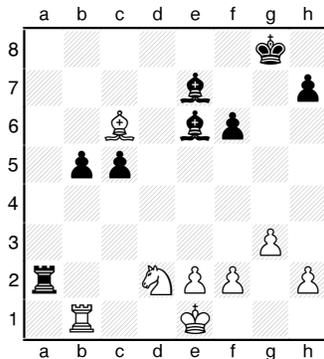
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1.c4 e5 2.g3 ♗f6 3.♙g2 d5 4.cxd5 ♗xd5 5.♗f3 ♗c6 6.♗c3 ♗b6 7.O-O ♙e7 8.♚b1 a5 9.d3 ♙e6 10.b3 O-O 11.♙b2 f6 12.♚c1?!



12.♗d2 ♚d7 13.♗c4 ♗d5 14.♚c1 ♚fd8 15.♗xd5 ♙xd5 16.♙xd5+ ♚xd5 17.♗e3 ♚e6 18.♚c2 ♗d4 19.♙xd4 exd4 20.♚c4 ♚xc4 21.♗xc4 a4 22.bxa4 ♚xa4 23.♗b2 ♚xa2 24.♚xc7 ♚xb2 25.♚xe7 ♗f8 26.♚c7 ♚e8 27.♚e1 b5 28.♚d7 ♚bxe2 29.♚xe2 ♚xe2 30.♚xd4= Gulko–Bareev, New Delhi 2000.
 12...a4! 13.♙a1 axb3 14.axb3 ♚a5 15.♗d2 ♗d4 16.b4 ♗a4 17.♚e1 ♗xc3 18.♚xc3 ♚a2 19.♚c1 c6

20.♙xd4 ♚xd4 21.♗f3 ♚d7 22.♚c3 ♚fa8 23.♗f1 ♚8a3 24.♚c1 ♚a4 25.♚c3 ♚2a3 26.♚d2 e4 27.dxe4 ♚xd2 28.♗xd2 ♚xb4 29.♗f3 ♚aa4 30.e5 c5 31.♗d2 b5 32.♙c6 ♚xb1 33.♚xb1 ♚a2 34.exf6 gxf6 35.♗e1



35...c4 36.♙xb5 c3 37.♗c4 ♙b4 38.♚c1 ♗g7 39.♗e3 c2+ 40.♗f1 ♙h3+ 41.♗g1 ♙d2 0-1

B51 Sicilian Rossolimo

FM Howard Chen (2.0)
NM Nat Koons (1.5)

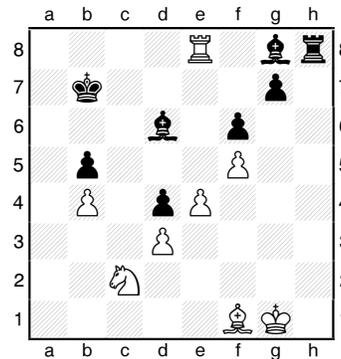
Seattle, WA Championship (3) 2012

1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♙b5 d6 4.O-O ♙d7 5.c3 ♗f6 6.♚e1 a6 7.♙f1 ♙g4 8.d3 e6 9.♗bd2 ♙e7 10.h3 ♙h5 11.g4 ♙g6 12.♗h4 ♗d7 13.♗g2 h5 14.f4 hxg4 15.hxg4

15...♚c7 16.♗f3 O-O-O 17.♗e3 ♗b6 18.♗c4 ♗xc4 19.dxc4 f5 20.exf5 exf5 21.g5 ♙f7 22.♚c2 g6 23.♚f2 d5 24.cxd5 ♙xd5 25.♙e3 ♙xg5 26.♚g3 ♙e7 27.♙g2 g5 28.♗xg5 ♙xg5 29.♙xd5 ♚xd5 30.♚xg5 ♚f7 31.♗f2 ♚h2+ 32.♗f1 ♚d8 33.♚g3 ♚c4+ 34.♗g1 ♚xb2 0-1, Anand–Carlsen, Nice 2009.

15...♙h7 16.♗f3 ♚c7 17.f5 ♗de5 18.♗xe5 dxe5 19.♚f3 O-O-O 20.♙e3 exf5 21.gxf5 ♙g8 22.a3 ♙d6 23.b4 ♚e7 24.♚ab1 cxb4 25.axb4 b5 26.c4 ♙c7 27.♚f2 ♗d4 28.cxb5

axb5 29.♚a2 ♚d6 30.♚ec1 f6 31.♚a7 ♗d7 32.♚a1 ♚c8 33.♚c5 ♚b6 34.♚xb6 ♙xb6 35.♙xd4 exd4 36.♚xc8 ♗xc8 37.♚a8+ ♗b7 38.♚e8 ♙c7 39.♗e1 ♙d6 40.♗c2



40...♙b3 41.♚xh8 ♙xc2 42.♚g8 ♙xb4 43.♚xg7+ ♗c8 44.e5 fxe5 45.f6 ♙d6 46.f7 ♗d8 47.♚g2 ♙d1 48.♚g8+ ♗c7 49.f8=♚ ♙xf8 50.♚xf8 b4 51.♚f2 b3 52.♚b2 ♙c2 53.♗f2 ♗d6 54.♗e1 1-0

E11 Bogo-Indian

LM Viktors Pupols (1.0)
NM Harley Greninger (0.0)

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1.d4 ♗f6 2.♗f3 e6 3.c4 ♙b4+ 4.♙d2 ♚e7 5.g3 ♗c6 6.♙g2 ♙xd2+ 7.♗bxd2 d6 8.e4 e5 9.d5 ♗b8 10.O-O a5 11.♗e1 O-O 12.♗d3 ♗a6 13.♗b1 ♗d7 14.♗c3 ♗dc5 15.♗xc5 ♗xc5 16.♗a4 ♗a6 17.b3 ♙d7 18.♗b2 f5 19.♗d3 b5 20.♚e2

Better is 20.cxb5 ♙xb5 21.exf5 ♚xf5 22.♙e4 ♚f7 23.♚d2.

20...f4 21.gxf4 exf4 22.f3 bxc4 23.bxc4 ♗b4 24.♗f2 ♚e5 25.♚ac1

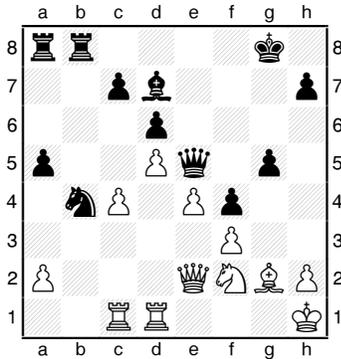
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♖fb8 26.♖fd1 g5 27.♔h1?



27...a4

27...♘xa2! 28.♙xa2 ♖b2 29.♘d3 ♖xa2 30.♘e5 dxe5 31.c5 a4 32.c6 ♙c8 33.d6 cxd6 34.♖xd6 ♔g7 35.c7 a3

28.♙h3 ♙xh3 29.♘h3 h6 30.♘f2 a3 31.♖d2 ♖a5 32.♘g4 ♙g7 33.e5 dxe5 34.♙xe5

34.c5h5 (34...♖a7 35.d6) 35.♘e5 ♖e8 36.♙c4 ♙xe5 37.d6+ ♔g7 38.♙xb4 ♖a7 39.d7 ♖d8 40.c6

34...♙xe5 35.♘e5 ♖e8 36.♘g4 ♔g7 37.c5 h5 38.♘f2 ♖e5 39.d6 cxd6 40.cxd6 ♖ad5 41.♖xd5 ♖xd5 42.♘e4 ♘xa2 43.♖a1 ♘b4 44.♖xa3 ♘d3 45.♖a7+ ♔f8 46.♖h7 g4 47.d7 ♘e5 48.♖h8+ ♔e7 49.♖e8+ ♔xd7 50.♘f6+ ♔c6 51.♘xd5 ♔xd5 52.♖d8+ ♔e6 53.♖h8 ♘xf3 54.♖xh5 ♘e5 55.♔g2 ♔d5 56.♖h8 ♔e4 57.♖e8 ♔f5 Draw

C10 French Rubinstein

FM Ignacio Perez (0.0)
NM Gil Lapid Shafriri (0.5)

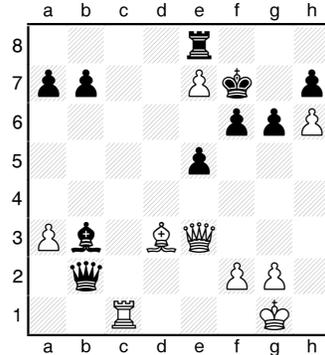
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1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.♘c3 dxe4 4.♘xe4 ♘d7 5.♘f3 ♘gf6 6.♘xf6+ ♘xf6 7.♙d3 c5 8.O-O cxd4 9.♙g5 ♙e7 10.♘xd4 O-O 11.♖e1 ♘d5 12.♙xe7 ♘xe7 13.♙h5 g6 14.♙e5

14.♙h4 ♘f5 15.♘f5 gxf5 16.♙h6 ♔h8 17.♖ad1 ♙e7 18.♙xf5 f6 19.♙xh7 ♙g7 20.♙xg7+ ♔xg7 21.♙d3e5 22.b3 ♖e8 23.♙b5 ♖e7 24.♖d8 a6 25.♙c4 ♖c7 26.♖e3b5 27.♖g3+ ♔h6 28.♙d5 ♖aa7 29.♖h8+ ♖h7 30.♖xc8 1-0, Tarrasch–Mieses, Berlin 1916.

14...♙d7 15.♖ad1 ♙b6 16.h4

♖ac8 17.c4 f6 18.♙g3 e5 19.♘b3 ♙f5 20.c5 ♙b4 21.h5 ♖cd8 22.♙f1 ♔g7 23.a3 ♙a4 24.♖d6 ♙c2 25.♘d4 ♖xd6 26.cxd6 ♙xd4 27.dxe7 ♖e8 28.h6+ ♔f7 29.♖c1 ♙xb2 30.♙e3 ♙b3 31.♙d3



31...♙d4?

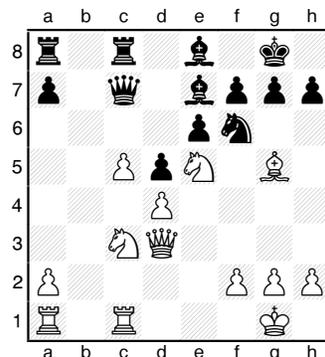
31...♙d5
32.♙b5 1-0

E50 Nimzo-Indian Rubinstein

NM Dereque Kelley (1.0)
NM Joshua Sinanan (0.5)

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1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♘c3 ♙b4 4.e3 O-O 5.♙d3 c5 6.♘f3 ♘c6 7.O-O cxd4 8.exd4 d5 9.♙g5 ♙e7 10.c5 b6 11.♙b5 ♙d7 12.♙xc6 ♙xc6 13.♘e5 ♙c7 14.b4 bxc5 15.bxc5 ♖fc8 16.♙d3 ♙e8 17.♖fc1



17...♘d7 18.♙xe7 ♘xe5 19.♙g3 ♘c4 20.♙xc7 ♖xc7 21.♙h4 ♖b7 22.♙g3 a5 23.♖ab1 ♖b4 24.♙f4 ♖a7 25.♔f1 ♖ab7 26.♔e2 ♘a3 27.♖xb4 axb4 28.♘d1 ♙c6 29.♙d2 f6 30.f4 ♔f7 31.♘b2?

31.♘e3 maintains equality.

31...b3 32.♖c3??

32.axb3 ♖xb3 33.♘d1 ♘b5 34.♙e3 e5 35.fxe5 fxe5 36.dxe5 ♔e6

keeps the damage to a minimum, though Black is still better.

32...♘b5 33.a4 ♘xc3+ 34.♙xc3 ♖a7 35.a5 ♙b5+ 36.♔d2 ♔g6 37.♙b4 ♔f5 38.g3 ♔e4 39.♔c3 h5 40.♘d1 h4 41.gxh4 ♔xf4 42.♔xb3 e5 43.♙d2+ ♔f3 44.♘e3 ♔e2 45.♙c1 ♔d3 46.♘c2 ♙c4+ 0-1

B23 Sicilian

Igor Ummel (1.5)
NM David Golub (2.0)

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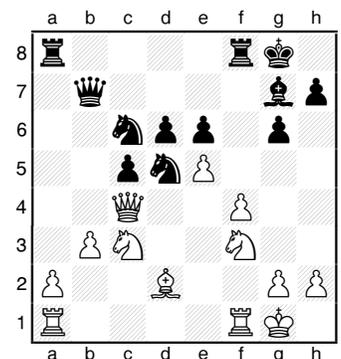
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E76 King's Indian Four Pawns

NM Joshua Sinanan (1.5)
FM Ignacio Perez (1.0)

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1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 g6 3.♘c3 ♙g7 4.e4 d6 5.f4 O-O 6.♘f3 c5 7.d5 b5 8.cxb5 a6 9.bxa6 ♙a5 10.♙d2 ♙xa6 11.♙xa6 ♙xa6 12.♙e2 ♙b7 13.b3 e6 14.dxe6 fxe6 15.O-O ♘c6 16.e5 ♘d5 17.♙c4



17...dxe5 18.♘xd5 exd5 19.♙xd5+ ♔h8 20.fxe5 ♖ad8 21.♙xc5 ♖xf3 22.♖xf3 ♘xe5 23.♙c3 ♘xf3+ 24.gxf3 h5 25.♖e1 ♙xc3 26.♙xc3+ ♔h7 27.♙e3 ♖d7 28.♔g2 ♙b4 29.♖e2 ♙b5 30.h4 ♖f7 31.♖c2 ♙f5 32.♙e4 ♙f6 33.♖c6 ♙g7 34.♖e6 ♙b2+ 35.♔g3 ♖g7 36.♙e2 ♙a1 37.♔g2 ♙d4 38.♖e4 ♙d8

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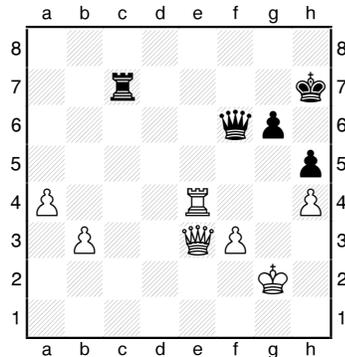
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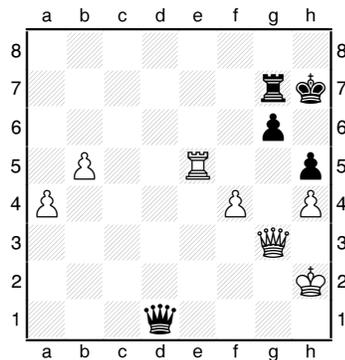
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43.♔g3

43.b4

43...♚d6+ 44.♚f4 ♚b6 45.♚e3 ♚d6+ 46.f4 ♚f6 47.♜e5 ♜d7 48.b4 ♚d8 49.♜e8 ♚c7 50.b5 ♜g7 51.♜e5 ♚d7 52.♔h2 ♚g4 53.♚g3 ♚d1



54.♚e3

54.f5 gxf5 55.♚f2 f4 56.♜c5 ♜g4 57.♚c2+ ♚xc2+ 58.♜xc2 ♜xh4+ 59.♔g1 f3 60.a5 ♜a4 61.a6 h4 62.♔f2, winning.

54...♚xa4 55.b6 ♚b4 56.♔g3 ♚d6 57.♚e4 ♚d1 58.♜g5 ♚g1+ 59.♔h3 ♚f1+ 60.♜g2 ♚h1+ 61.♔g3 ♚d1 62.♔h2 ♚d8 63.♜g5 ♔h6 64.♚e3 ♚d6 65.♜e5 ♔h7 66.♜e6 ♚d8 67.♔g3 ♚d1 68.♚f3 ♚b1 69.♜c6 ♚e1+ 70.♔h3 ♜e7 71.♜c7 ♜xc7 72.bxc7 ♚c1 73.♚b7 ♚e3+ 74.♔g2 ♚e2+ 75.♔g3 ♚e3+ 76.♔g2 ♚e2+ Draw

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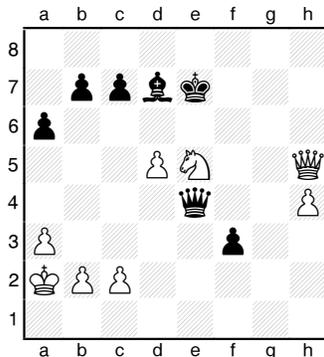
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NM David Golub (2.5)

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♗c6 7.♘b5 ♗ge7 8.♘g5 f6 9.♘e3 O-O 10.♚d2 f5 11.O-O-O a6 12.♘xc6 ♗xc6 13.f3 e5 14.d5 ♗a5 15.fxe4 ♗c4 16.♚e2 ♗xe3 17.♚xe3 f4 18.♚f3 ♚d6 19.♔b1 ♘d7 20.g3 g5 21.gxf4 gxf4 22.♜dg1+ ♔h8 23.♜g5 ♜g8 24.♜hg1 ♜xg5 25.♜xg5 ♜g8 26.♚h5 ♜xg5 27.♚xg5 h6 28.♚h5 ♔g7 29.♗d1 ♚f6 30.h4 f3 31.♗f2 ♚f4 32.♔a2 ♔f6 33.♗d3 ♚xe4 34.♚xh6+ ♔f7 35.♚h5+ ♔e7 36.♗xe5



36...f2

36...♚xd5+ 37.c4 ♚e6 38.♗xd7 ♚xc4+ 39.♔a1 ♚f1+ 40.♔a2 ♔xd7= 37.♚f7+ ♔d6 38.♚xd7+ ♔xe5 39.♚xc7+ ♔xd5 40.♚f7+ ♔e5 41.♚xf2 ♔e6 42.b3 b5 43.h5 a5 44.h6 a4 45.♚h2 ♚h7 46.♚h3+ ♔f6 47.♚c3+ ♔e6 48.b4 ♚f7 49.♔b2 ♚g8 50.♚g7 1-0

D05 Colle

NM Harley Greninger (0.5)

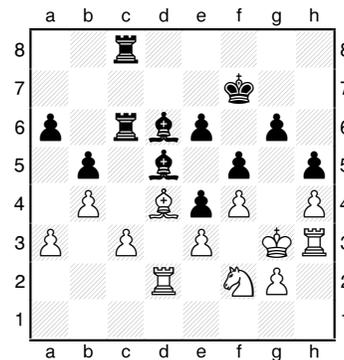
NM Dereque Kelley (1.0)

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18.a4!?

18...♗e4 19.♘xe4 dxe4 20.♗e5 ♘d6 21.♗g4 f6 22.♜d1 ♘d5 23.b4 ♔g7 24.h4 h5 25.♗f2 ♔f7 26.♜h3 ♚c7 27.♜d2 ♚c4 28.♚d1 f5 29.♚a1 ♜g8 30.♔h2 ♜c6 31.♔g3 ♚a2 32.♚xa2 ♘xa2 33.♘d4 ♜gc8 34.c3 ♘d5



35.♜h1?

35.♗d1

35...♜xc3! 36.♘xc3 ♜xc3 37.♗d1 ♜xa3 38.♜b2 e5 39.♜d2 exf4+ 40.♔f2 ♔e6 41.♜h3 ♘xb4 42.♜c2 ♘b3 43.♜b2 ♘c5 44.♔e1 ♘xd1 0-1

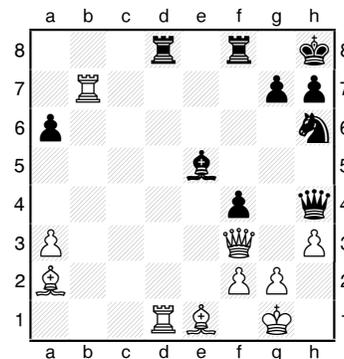
D26 Queen's Gambit Accepted

NM Howard Chen (3.0)

LM Viktors Pupols (1.5)

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28.♘b4 ♜fe8 29.♘e7 ♜xd1+ 30.♚xd1 g5 31.♚d7 1-0

B13 Caro-Kann Exchange

NM Gil Lapid Shafiriri (0.5)

Igor Ummel (2.0)

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1.d4 c5 2.e3 cxd4 3.exd4 d5 4.♘d3 ♗c6 5.c3 ♚c7 6.♘g5 ♗f6 7.♗d2

♙g4 8.♘gf3 e6 9.O-O ♙d6 10.♖c2 ♙h5 11.♜fe1 ♙g6 12.a3 O-O-O 13.♙h4 ♙f4 14.b4 ♘b8 15.♘b3 ♜c8 16.♘c5 ♘a8 17.♖e2 b6 18.♘a6 ♖b7 19.♙g3 ♙xg3 20.hxg3 ♘e4 21.♜ec1 ♘d6 22.♙b5 ♘xb5 23.♖xb5 f6 24.a4 ♘b8 Draw

Second Weekend
18-20 February

For Igor Ummel, the second weekend was much the same as the first: he started with a win, this time against NM Josh Sinanan, and then drew the rest. NM Dereque Kelley also nearly duplicated his first half effort, winning two and losing two, though he was 1-1 with each color, and ended with a short draw against, guess who?—Ummel. Incidentally, Ummel has not lost a game since the first round of the WA Challengers' Cup on October 29, a span of 31 games including the Master section of the WA Class, the U2100 section of the North American Open and, most recently, the SCC February Quads.

The most remarkable turnaround was posted by NM Gil Lapid Shafiriri, who had but two draws before the break. The second weekend saw two wins with Black and three draws. NM Harley Greninger also righted the ship somewhat in scoring a win three draws and a loss.

Meanwhile, it appeared the FM Howard Chen would continue to steamroll the opposition, as he won once again in the fifth round. However, he then underestimated Black's counterplay against FM Ignacio Perez and lost. The next round he played Ummel; well, you know the result.

Perez's win began a mini-streak of three in a row which vaulted him into a tie for fourth-fifth with Kelley, Shafiriri, and NM David Golub on 4.5. NM Nat Koons paired two straight wins with two straight losses to finish with five points in third place.

At the State Championship, my form was unrecognizable! Botching four strong initiatives as White (vs.Chen, Kelley, Ummel, and Shafiriri) and salvaging only a half-point in those four games left me groping for a 'silver lining.' Fischer once said, "You have to play

according to the demands of the position, not what you demand of the position." Obviously, in each of these games, I had been trying to 'force the issue,' when a more prudent course was called for. This was the golden nugget, extracted from the silver lining, I gained from the event.
—NM Harley Greninger

C18 French Winawer

FM Ignacio Perez (1.5)

NM Harley Greninger (0.5)

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Annotations by NM Harley Greninger

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.♘c3 ♙b4 4.e5 c5 5.a3 ♙xc3+ 6.bxc3 ♖a5

Previously against Ignacio at the 2007 Washington Class Championships, I had played 6...♖c7 7.♘f3 ♙d7 8.a4 ♘e7 9.♖d2 ♘bc6 10.♙a3 c4 11.g3 ♘f5 12.♙h3 h6 13.O-O g5 with a full-bodied struggle, eventually won by Ignacio in 60 moves.

7.♙d2 ♖a4 8.♘f3

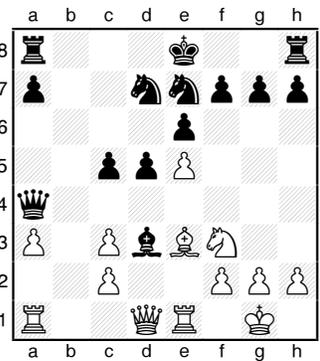
More mainline is 8.♖g4 ♘f8 9.♖d1 b6 10.h4 ♙a6 11.♙xa6 ♖xa6 12.h5 h6 13.♜h4 ♘e7 14.♜f4 ♘bc6 as in Dworakowska-Sprotte, 2001 (Draw in 29).

8...♘e7 9.♙d3 b6 10.O-O ♙a6 11.dxc5 bxc5 12.♙e3 ♘d7 13.♜e1

In the post-mortem, Ignacio and I agreed that White could improve by 13.♜b1 (evidently a TN) 13...O-O 14.♖d2 with chances for both sides.

13.♜b1 h6 14.♙xa6 ♖xa6 15.♖d3 ♖xd3 16.cxd3 ♘d8 17.♜b7 ♘c8 18.♜fb1 ♘c6 19.♘d2 ♜d8 20.f4 a6 21.♜7b2 ♘c7 22.♘b3 c4 23.dxc4 dxc4 24.♘c5 ♘xc5 25.♙xc5 ♜d3 26.♜b7+ ♘d8 27.♜xf7 ♜c8 28.♜f8+ ♘c7 29.♙d6+ 1-0, Landa-Shipov, Internet 2004.

13...♙xd3



The first new move. Black consents to the straightening of White's pawns in exchange for an endgame where the Black Knights may well prove superior to the White Bishop plus Knight combo. Previously played was 13...♘c6 14.h3 h6 15.♖d2 ♘d8(?) 16.♜ad1 ♘c7 17.♙f4 with roughly equal play in Elters-Daneri, 2011 (0-1 in 31).

14.cxd3

14.♖xd3?! ♜b8 15.♜eb1 O-O ♠ 14...♖xd1 15.♜axd1 ♜b8 16.♜b1 O-O 17.d4?

The losing move, giving Black a strong square on b3, while shutting out his dark-squared Bishop from the battle. After 17.♘f1 ♘c6 18.♘e2 ♜b6 19.♘d2 ♜fb8 20.♜xb6 axb6 21.♘c2, White is in a better position to hold on the queen-side.

17...c4 18.♘d2 ♘b6 19.g4 ♘a4 20.♜ec1 ♘c6 21.f4 ♜xb1 22.♘xb1 ♜b8 23.♘d2 ♘a5 24.f5 ♘b3 25.♘xb3

Slightly more tenacious is 25.♜c2 ♘xd2 26.♙xd2 ♜b3 27.♘f2 ♜xa3 ♠.

25...cxb3 26.♙d2 b2 27.♜b1 ♜b3 0-1

D11 QGD Slav

LM Viktors Pupols (1.5)

NM Nat Koons (2.5)

Seattle, WA Championship (5) 2012

1.♘f3 d5 2.g3 c6 3.b3 ♙g4 4.♙g2 ♘d7 5.♙b2 ♘gf6 6.c4 e6 7.O-O ♙d6 8.d4 O-O 9.♘bd2 ♖c7 10.♜c1 ♜ae8 11.♜e1 ♖b8 12.c5 ♙c7 13.b4 e5 14.dxe5 ♘xe5 15.♘xe5 ♙xe5 16.♙xe5 ♖xe5 17.♘f3 ♙xf3 18.♙xf3 ♘e4 19.♙xe4 ♖xe4 20.a3 f5 21.e3 ♜e6 22.♖d4 g5 23.♖xe4 ♜xe4 24.♘f1 ♜fe8 25.♜ed1 f4 26.gxf4 gxf4 27.exf4 ♘f7 28.♜c3 ♜xf4 29.♜h3 ♘g7 30.♜g3+ ♘f6 31.♜h3 ♜e7 32.♜dd3 ♜f7 33.♜he3 ♘g7 34.♜e2 ♘f8 35.♜de3 ♜f3 36.♘g2 ♜xe3 37.♜xe3 ♜f6 38.♘g3 ♜g6+ 39.♘f3 ♘f7 40.h3 ♜f6+ 41.♘g3 ♜g6+ 42.♘f3 ♜g1 43.♘e2 ♜a1 44.♜f3+ ♘e6 45.♜e3+ ♘f6 46.♜f3+ ♘e5 47.♜f7 ♜a2+ 48.♘e1 ♘d4 49.♜xb7 ♘c3 50.b5 d4 51. bxc6

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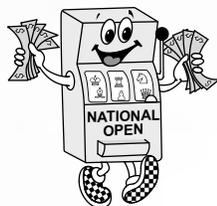
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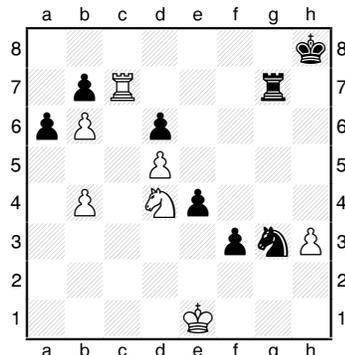
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♚f1+ 59.♙h2 ♚xf2+ 60.♙h1 ♚f1+
Draw

E99 King's Indian Classical

NM Dereque Kelley (2.0)
NM Howard Chen (4.0)

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1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 g6 3.♘c3 ♙g7 4.e4
d6 5.♘f3 O-O 6.♙e2 e5 7.O-O
♘c6 8.d5 ♘e7 9.♘e1 ♘d7 10.♙e3
f5 11.f3 f4 12.♙f2 g5 13.♖c1 ♖f6
14.♘d3 ♖h6 15.♙e1 ♖g6 16.b4
♘f6 17.♘f2 h5 18.h3 ♙h7 19.c5 a6
20.cxd6 cxd6 21.a4 ♘eg8 22.a5
g4 23.fxg4 hxg4 24.♘xg4 ♘xg4 25.
♙xg4 ♙xg4 26.hxg4 ♘h6 27.♘a4
♖c8 28.♖xc8 ♚xc8 29.♘b6 ♚g8
30.♚f3 ♘xg4 31.♙f2 ♙f6 32.♖c1
♙d8 33.♘c8 ♚g7 34.♙b6 ♚h6
35.♚h3 ♚xh3 36.gxh3 ♘f6+ 37.
♙f1 ♙xb6 38.axb6 ♘xe4 39.♖c7+
♖g7 40.♘e7 ♘g3+ 41.♙e1 e4
42.♘c6 f3 43.♘d4 ♙h8



44.♖xg7 ♙xg7 45.♙f2 ♘h1+
46.♙g1 f2+ 47.♙g2 ♙f6 48.h4 e3
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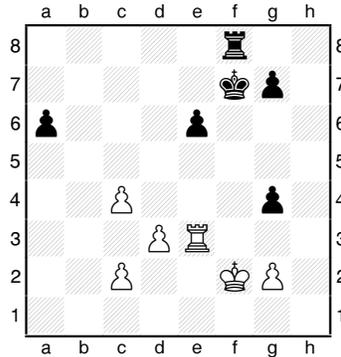
B23 Sicilian Grand Prix

Igor Ummel (2.5)
NM Joshua Sinanan (2.0)

Seattle, WA Championship (5) 2012

1.e4 c5 2.♘c3 e6 3.f4 d5 4.♙b5+
♙d7 5.♚e2 dxe4 6.♘xe4 a6 7.
♙xd7+ ♚xd7 8.♘f3 ♘c6 9.d3 ♙e7
10.♚f2 b6 11.♚g3 f5 12.♘ed2
♙f6 13.♘c4 ♚c7 14.O-O b5 15.
♘ce5 ♘h6 16.a4 O-O 17.♖e1 ♘b4
18.♚f2 ♖fd8 19.♚e2 ♚b6 20.
♙e3 ♘g4 21.♘xg4 fxg4 22.♘e5
♙xe5 23.fxe5 h5 24.♖f1 ♖f8

25.axb5 ♚xb5 26.b3 ♘c6 27.h3 c4
28.bxc4 ♚xe5 29.hxg4 hxg4 30.
♖ae1 ♖xf1+ 31.♚xf1 ♖f8 32.
♚e2 ♘d4 33.♙xd4 ♚xd4+ 34.♚e3
♚xe3+ 35.♖xe3 ♙f7 36.♙f2



36... ♖b8 37.♙e2 ♖b1 38.♙d2
♖g1 39.♖g3 a5 40.♙c3 ♖b1 41.
♖xg4 e5 42.c5 ♖b7 43.♖a4 ♖a7
44.♙c4 ♙e6 45.♙b5 ♙d5 46.c6
♖f7 47.♖c4 1-0

D34 QGD Tarrasch

NM David Golub (2.5)
NM Gil Lapid Shafirri (1.0)

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1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.♘c3 c5 4.cxd5
exd5 5.♘f3 ♘c6 6.g3 ♘f6 7.♙g2
♙e7 8.O-O O-O 9.♙g5 cxd4 10.
♘xd4 h6 11.♙e3 ♙g4 12.♚a4
♘a5 13.♖ad1 ♘c4 14.♙c1 ♘b6
15.♚c2 ♚d7 16.♙f4 ♖ac8 17.♙e5
♖fe8 18.♚b3 ♖c5 19.♘f3 ♙e6 20.
♙d4 ♖cc8 21.♙xb6 axb6 22.♘d4
♙c5 23.e3 ♖cd8 24.a3 ♙g4 25.
♖d3 ♖e5 26.♘de2 ♚f5 27.♘f4 g5
28.♘fxd5 ♘xd5 29.e4 ♚c8 30.
♘xd5 ♙e2 31.♖c3 ♙xf1 32.♙xf1
♙g7 33.f4 ♖exd5 34.exd5 ♚f5
35.♚c2 ♚xc2 36.♖xc2 gxf4
37.gxf4 ♙f6
38.♙e2 ♖e8+
39.♙f3 ♖e3+
40.♙g4 ♖b3
41.♙f1 ♙g6
42.f5+ ♙f6
43.♙c4 ♖e3
44.♖e2 ♖xe2
45. ♙xe2 ♙e5
46. ♙c4 b5 47.
♙xb5 ♙xd5
48.♙e8 f6 49.
♙h5 ♙e3 50.
♙g6 ♙e5 51.

b4 b6 52.♙b5 ♙g5 53.♙f7 ♘d6
54.♙e8 ♙c1 55.a4 ♙d2 56.b5
♙e5 57.♙e7 ♙b4+ 58.♙f7 ♙d2
59.h4 ♙e1 60.♙e7 Draw

A65 Modern Benoni

NM Harley Greninger (1.5)
Igor Ummel (3.5)

Seattle, WA Championship (6) 2012

1.d4 c5 2.d5 e6 3.c4 ♘f6 4.♘c3
exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.e4 g6 7.♙d3
♙g7 8.♘ge2 O-O 9.O-O b6 10.♙f4
♘h5 11.♙e3 ♙a6 12.f4 ♙xd3
13.♚xd3 ♘d7 14.g4 ♘hf6 15.h3
♘e8 16.♘g3 ♘c7 17.e5 dxe5 18.
f5 e4 19.♘gxe4 ♘e5 20.♚d1 ♘c4
21.♙g5 ♙d4+ 22.♚xd4 cxd4 23.
♙xd8 ♖axd8 24.♘e2 ♘xd5 25.
♘xd4 ♘de3 26.♘c6 ♘xf1 27.
♘xd8 ♖xd8 28.♖xf1 ♘xb2 29.
♖f3 ♘d3 30.fxg6 hxg6 31.g5 ♘c5
32.♘xc5 bxc5 33.♖c3 ♖c8 34.
♙f2 ♙f8 35.♙e3 ♙e7 36.♙e4
♙e6 37.♖a3 ♖c7 38.♖a6+ ♙e7
39.♙d3 c4+ 40.♙c3 Draw

E23 Nimzo-Indian

LM Viktors Pupols (2.0)
NM Dereque Kelley (2.0)

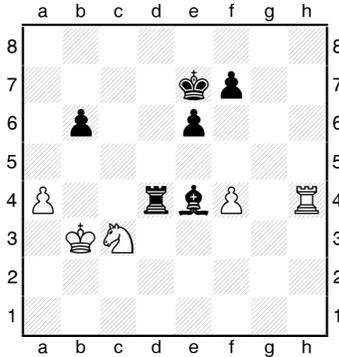
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♘xd2 8.♘xd2 ♙xc5 9.♘de4 ♙e7
10.O-O-O O-O 11.♘d6 ♙xd6 12.
♖xd6 ♘a5 13.♚b5 ♚c7 14.♚b4 b6
15.e3 ♙a6 16.b3 ♘b7 17.♖d2
♘c5 18.♙e2 d5 19.♚a3 dxc4 20.
b4 ♘d3+ 21.♙b1 ♚e7 22.♙xd3
cxd3 23.♚b3 ♖ac8 24.b5 ♙b7 25.
♖xd3 ♙xg2 26.♖g1 ♚b7 27.♚b4
♚f3 28.♚h4 ♖c5 29.♙b2 g5 30.

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♖g3 ♜xg3 31.hxg3 ♔d5 32.a4
 ♜fc8 33.e4 ♘c4 34.♚d7 a6 35.
 bxa6 ♘xa6 36.♜c1 ♜8c7 37.♜xc7
 ♜xc7 38.♚d1 ♜c6 39.♚d4 h5
 40.♙c2 ♙g7 41.♙d2 ♙f6 42.♚d8
 h4 43.gxh4 gxh4 44.f4 ♙e7 45.♚h8
 ♚d6+ 46.♙c1 ♚d3 47.♙c2 ♚d4
 48.♚xh4 ♘d3+ 49.♙b3 ♘xe4



50.♗b5 ♘d5+ 51.♙a3 ♚d3+ 52.
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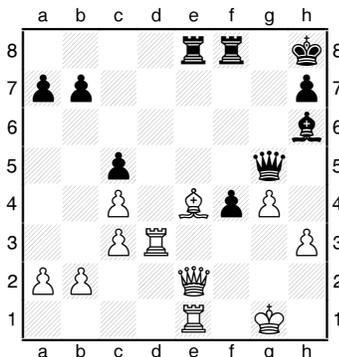
B23 Sicilian Closed

FM Howard Chen (5.0)

FM Ignacio Perez (1.5)

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1.e4 d6 2.♗c3 g6 3.g3 ♘g7 4.♘g2
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 8.O-O ♘g4 9.h3 ♘xf3 10.♜xf3
 ♗d7 11.♗d5 e6 12.♗e3 f5 13.c3
 ♚b8 14.♘d2 ♗e7 15.♜e2 ♙h8 16.
 ♚ae1 e5 17.exf5 gxf5 18.♗c4 ♗b6
 19.fxe5 ♗xc4 20.exd6 ♗g6 21.
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 ♘e4 ♜g5 27.g4 ♚be8



28.♚d7? f3! 29.♜f2 ♜f4 30.♚xh7+
 ♙g8 31.♚xh6 ♜xh6 32.♚e3 ♜xh3
 33.♚xf3 ♚xf3 34.♜xf3 ♜xf3 35.
 ♘xf3 ♚e1+ 36.♙f2 ♚b1 37.b3 b6
 38.♙e3 ♚b2 39.♙e4 ♚xa2 40.
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 0-1

D94 Grunfeld

NM Joshua Sinanan (2.0)

NM David Golub (3.0)

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1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.♗f3 ♗f6 4.e3 g6
 5.♗c3 ♘g7 6.♘e2 O-O 7.O-O b6
 8.♜b3 ♘b7 9.♚d1 ♗bd7 10.cxd5
 cxd5 11.♘d2 ♜b8 12.♚ac1 a6 13.
 a4 ♚e8 14.♗a2 ♗e4 15.♘e1 e5
 16.dxe5 ♗ec5 17.♜a3 ♗xe5
 18.b4 ♗e4 19.♗c3 ♗xf3+ 20.♘xf3
 ♜e5 21.♜b3 ♚ad8 22.♗e2 ♗g5
 23.♗d4 ♗xf3+ 24.♗xf3 ♜e4 25.
 ♚c7 ♚e7 26.♚xe7 ♜xe7 27.♘c3
 d4 28.♘d4 ♘xf3 29.gxf3 ♜g5+
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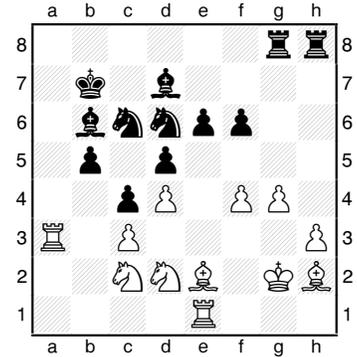
C02 French Advance

NM Nat Koons (3.0)

NM Gil Lapid Shafirri (1.5)

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1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 ♗c6
 5.♗f3 ♜b6 6.a3 c4 7.♗bd2 ♗a5
 8.♘e2 ♘d7 9.O-O O-O-O 10.♚b1
 ♙b8 11.♗g5 ♗h6 12.♗df3 ♘xa3
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 ♙g2 ♚b8 25.
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 ♗d2 ♘b6



37.♘g3?! b4 38.cxb4 ♗b5 39.♚a2
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 44.♚e2 ♚a1 45.♘f2 ♚d1 46.g5 e5
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 ♗xe5 ♘e6 52.♗d4 ♚h3+ 53.♙g2
 ♚xd4 54.♘xd4 c3 0-1

D41 QGD Semi-Tarrasch

NM Dereque Kelley (3.0)

NM Nat Koons (3.0)

Seattle, WA Championship (7) 2012

1.d4 ♗f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗c3 d5 4.cxd5
 ♗xd5 5.e4 ♗xc3 6.bxc3 c5 7.♗f3
 cxd4 8.cxd4 ♗c6 9.♘e2 ♘b4+ 10.
 ♘d2 ♘xd2+ 11.♜xd2 O-O 12.O-O
 ♜d6 13.♚ad1 ♚d8 14.♜e3 b6 15.
 d5
 15.e5 ♜e7 16.♗g5 ♘b7 17.♘h5
 ♗xd4 18.♘f7+ ♙h8 19.♘g6 ♗e2+
 20.♙h1 ♚xd1 21.♚xd1 ♗c3 22.♜h3
 h6 23.♗f7+ ♙g8 24.♜xc3 (1-0 in 29),
 Lesiege-Leveille, Quebec 1990.
 15...exd5 16.♚xd5 ♜e7 17.♚fd1
 ♘e6 18.♚xd8+ ♚xd8 19.♚xd8+
 ♜xd8 20.a4 h6 21.h3 ♜d6 22.♘b5
 ♜d1+ 23.♙h2 ♗b4 24.♜d4 ♜b1??
 25.♗d2 1-0

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♖d3 46. h4 e4 47. g4 e3 48. ♔g3] 44. ♖a4!!
 ♖d2 45. exf6 ♖xd6 (45...g5 46. f7 ♔g7
 47. ♖a7 ♖xd6 48. f8=♖+ ♔xf8 49. ♖xh7
 ♖d3 50. ♖a7 ♖d5 51. ♔g3 ♔g8 52.
 ♔g4 ♖d2 53. g3 ♖d5 54. ♖a3 ♔g7
 55. ♔h5 intending g3-g4, ♖f3-f5) 46.
 ♖h4+ ♔g5 47. f7, winning.

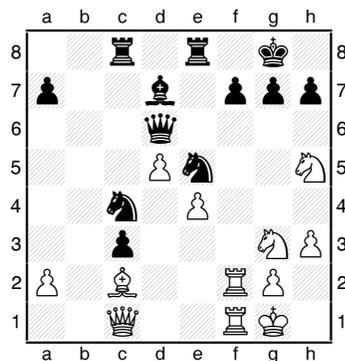
43... ♔xf6 44. ♖a7 h5 45. ♖d7 ♔e6
 46. ♖e7+ ♔f6 Draw

D36 QGD Exchange

NM Harley Greninger (2.0)
NM Gil Lapid Shafirri (3.0)

Seattle, WA Championship (8) 2012

1. d4 d5 2. c4 e6 3. ♖c3 ♖f6 4. cxd5
 exd5 5. ♔g5 ♔e7 6. ♖c2 ♖bd7 7.
 e3 c6 8. ♔d3 O-O 9. ♖ge2 ♖e8 10.
 O-O ♖f8 11. f3 ♔e6 12. ♖ae1 ♖g6
 13. e4 dxe4 14. fxe4 ♖g4 15. ♔xe7
 ♖xe7 16. ♖d2 c5 17. d5 ♔d7 18. h3
 ♖4e5 19. ♔c2 ♖d6 20. ♖f4 b5
 21. ♖f2 ♖ac8 22. ♖ce2 b4 23. ♖h5
 c4 24. ♖eg3 c3 25. bxc3 bxc3 26.
 ♖c1 ♖c4 27. ♖ef1 ♖ge5



28. ♖f6?! ♖c5+ 29. ♖1f2 ♖d2 30.
 ♔h2 ♖e3 31. ♖a3 gxf6 32. ♖xf6
 ♔h8 33. ♖d6 ♖c5 34. ♖a6 ♖b8
 35. ♖xf7 ♖b6 36. ♖f6 ♖xf7 0-1

E90 King's Indian Classical

NM Dereque Kelley (4.0)
FM Ignacio Perez (3.5)

Seattle, WA Championship (8) 2012

1. d4 ♖f6 2. c4 g6 3. ♖c3 ♔g7 4. e4
 d6 5. ♖f3 O-O 6. h3 ♖bd7 7. e5
 ♖e8 8. ♔e3 c5 9. exd6 ♖xd6 10. g4
 cxd4 11. ♔xd4 e5 12. ♔e3 e4 13.
 ♖xd6 exf3 14. O-O-O ♖a5 15. ♖d5
 ♖d8 16. g5 ♖e8 17. ♔d4 ♖e1+ 18.
 ♖d1 ♖e8 19. ♔xg7 ♔xg7 20. ♖f4
 ♖b6 21. ♖d8 ♔f5 22. ♖xa8 ♖xa8
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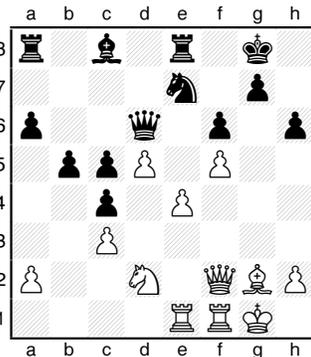
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 30. ♖c2 ♖e6 31. ♖g4 ♖d5 32. f3
 ♖c8 33. ♖d3 ♖c6 34. a3 ♖f4 35.
 ♖e4 ♖c1+ 36. ♔a2 ♖xh3 37. ♖xb7
 ♖f8 38. ♖d5 ♖f4 39. ♖b3 ♖d8 40.
 ♖c3 ♖d3 41. ♖e4 ♖f1 42. ♖c2
 ♖c1+ 43. ♔b1 ♖b3+ 44. ♔a2 ♖d3
 45. ♖xb3 ♖xb3 46. ♖d2 ♖xa3+ 0-1

A29 English

NM Nat Koons (3.0)
NM Joshua Sinanan (3.5)

Seattle, WA Championship (8) 2012

1. c4 e5 2. ♖c3 ♖f6 3. ♖f3 ♖c6 4.
 g3 ♔b4 5. ♔g2 O-O 6. O-O e4 7.
 ♖g5 ♔xc3 8. bxc3 ♖e8 9. f3 exf3
 10. ♖xf3 d5 11. d4 dxc4 12. ♖c2 h6
 13. ♔f4 ♖d5 14. e4 ♖xf4 15. gxf4 a6
 16. ♖ae1 ♖e7 17. f5 f6 18. ♖f2 c5
 19. d5 ♖d6 20. ♖d2 b5



21. e5 fxe5 22. ♖e4 ♖b6 23. f6 ♖f5
 24. ♔h3 g6 25. ♔xf5 ♔xf5 26. ♖g3
 1-0

D16 QGD Slav

NM David Golub (3.5)
LM Viktors Pupols (2.5)

Seattle, WA Championship (9) 2012

1. d4 d5 2. c4 c6 3. ♖c3 ♖f6 4. ♖f3
 dxc4 5. a4 c5 6. d5 e6 7. e4 exd5

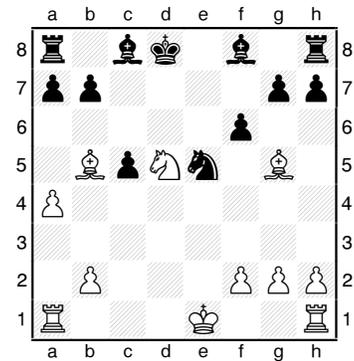
7... ♖xe4 8. ♖xe4 exd5 9. ♖c3 ♔e6
 10. ♖g5 ♖c6 11. ♖xe6 fxe6 12. ♔e2
 ♔d6 13. ♔h5+ g6 14. ♔g4 ♖f6 15. O-O
 ±/=

8. e5 ♖fd7

8... d4 9. ♔xc4 ♖g4 10. O-O ♔e7
 11. ♖d5 O-O 12. ♖xe7+ ♖xe7 13. ♖e1
 ♔e6 14. ♔xe6 ♖xe6 ±/=

9. ♖xd5 ♖c6 10. ♔xc4 ♖dxe5 11.
 ♖xe5 ♖xd5 12. ♖xd5 ♖xe5 13.

♔b5+ ♔d8 14. ♔g5+ f6



15. ♖xf6! ♖f7 16. O-O-O+ ♔c7 17.
 ♔f4+ ♔d6 18. ♖xd6! ♖xd6 19.
 ♖d5+ ♔d8 20. ♔g5 mate

B33 Sicilian Sveshnikov

FM Ignacio Perez (4.5)
NM Nat Koons (4.0)

Seattle, WA Championship (9) 2012

1. e4 c5 2. ♖f3 ♖c6 3. d4 cxd4
 4. ♖xd4 ♖f6 5. ♖c3 e5 6. ♖db5 d6
 7. ♔g5 a6 8. ♔xf6 gxf6 9. ♖a3 b5
 10. ♖d5 f5 11. ♔d3 ♔e6 12. c4
 ♖a5+ 13. ♔f1 fxe4 14. ♔xe4 ♖d4
 15. ♖c2 ♖xc2 16. ♖xc2 ♖c8
 17. ♖f6+ ♔e7 18. ♖d5+ ♔e8 19. b4
 ♖a3 20. ♖b3 ♖xb3 21. axb3 bxc4
 22. ♖xa6 cxb3 23. ♔e2 f5 24. ♔f3
 ♖c2+ 25. ♔d1 e4 26. ♔h5+ ♔d8
 27. ♖a8+ ♖c8 28. ♖xc8+ ♔xc8
 29. ♖f4 ♔d7 30. ♖xe6 ♔xe6
 31. ♔d2 ♔g7 32. ♔d1 b2 33. ♔c2
 ♖c8 34. g4 ♔h6+ 35. ♔d1 b1=♖+
 0-1

D44 Semi-Slav Botvinnik

NM Joshua Sinanan (3.5)
NM Harley Greninger (2.5)

Seattle, WA Championship (9) 2012

1. d4 d5 2. c4 c6 3. ♖c3 ♖f6 4. ♖f3
 e6 5. ♔g5 dxc4 6. e4 b5 7. e5 h6 8.
 ♔h4 g5 9. ♖xg5 hxg5 10. ♔xg5
 ♔e7 11. exf6 ♔xf6 12. ♔xf6 ♖xf6
 13. g3 ♖a6 14. ♔g2 ♔b7 15. ♖e4
 ♖e7 16. O-O O-O-O 17. a4 f5 18.
 axb5 cxb5 19. ♖xa6 ♔xe4 20.
 ♔xe4 fxe4 21. ♖g4 ♖xd4 22. ♖fa1
 ♖h7 23. ♖xa7 ♖xa7 24. ♖g8+ ♖d8
 25. ♖xe6+ ♔b8 26. ♖xa7 ♔xa7 27.
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All entries must be made at least 2 hours prior to your first game. Current USCF membership required. August official ratings used; unofficial ratings used if otherwise unrated. CCA ratings used if above USCF. Foreign player ratings: usually 100 points added to FIDE or FQE, 200+ added to most foreign national ratings, **no points added to CFC**. Highest of multiple ratings generally used.

Entries: USCF, ATTN: 2012 US Open, PO Box 3967, Crossville TN 38557. USCF Website online entry. Phone entry: 800-903-8723 (no cell phones). Bring a clock -- none supplied. *Sets & boards supplied for tournament* but not for skittles.

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- U.S. Open Blitz Championship
- Weekend Swiss
- U.S. Open Scholastic
- U.S. Open Quads
- Open Bughouse
- U.S. Open G/15 Championship

Additional details next month!

Idaho Chess News

By Jeff Roland

2012 Winter Warmup Invitational

Each year in Idaho, chess players start to think about the new chess season and, in particular, the Idaho Closed State Chess Championship, which is always held in February over Presidents' Weekend (this year in Boise). And students begin to think about the upcoming Scholastic Championship tournaments held by the Idaho Chess Association in February and March. We decided to hold a special 16-player invitational chess tournament called the Winter Warmup Invitational to brush off the cobwebs and help people prepare for the upcoming championship tournaments. The event was held in the home of Kevin Patterson, ICA Vice President, in Meridian on January 21. Jeff Roland was the Tournament Director.

Thirty-one players were invited, but only the first sixteen were accepted due to space requirements. Entry was free. The event was also USCF rated, and there was even a \$55 prize fund to boot, thanks to an anonymous donation. The time limit was Game in 45 minutes with a five-second delay.

All the players seemed to have a great time. Since the time control was so fast, the quality of the games was technically lower than usual, however, that took nothing away from the competition. This event still gave everyone a chance for some exciting chess and the opportunity to socialize and enjoy chess in a fun, friendly, and competitive atmosphere. In short, it was a big success!

The Pattersons did a great job hosting the tournament. Snacks and food were provided by them. The players had simply show up, play, and have a great time.

Caleb Abernathy, 2011 Idaho Chess Champion, won the event with a perfect 4-0 score. There was a tie for second-fourth places between Peter Olsoy, an unrated player playing only his second tournament, Corey Longhurst, whose provisional USCF rating jumped over 100 points as a result of his performance, and Patrick Kirk, each with three points.

Selected games

B21 Sicilian Grand Prix

Hugh Myers (1539)

Peter Olsoy

Meridian, Winter Warm-Up Inv (1) 2012

1.e4 c5 2.f4 d6 3.♘f3 ♘c6 4.♙e2 ♘f6 5.d3 e6 6.O-O ♙e7 7.c3 d5 8.e5 ♘d7 9.♖e1 O-O 10.g4 f6 11.d4 ♗b6 12.♗d2 cxd4 13.cxd4 fxe5 14.♙h1 exf4 15.♘c3 ♙b4 16.a3 ♙xc3 17.bxc3 ♗c7 18.♗d3 ♘f6 19.♘g5 e5 20.dxe5 ♘xe5 21.♗d1 ♘g6 22.a4 ♗e5 23.♙a3 ♗xg5 24.♙xf8 ♙xf8 25.♗d4 ♙xg4 26.♙xg4 ♗xg4 27.♚ae1 ♘h4 0-1

E90 King's Indian Gligoric

Peter Olsoy

Patrick Kirk (1651)

Meridian, Winter Warm-Up Inv (2) 2012

1.c4 ♘f6 2.♘c3 g6 3.♘f3 d6 4.e4 ♙g7 5.d4 O-O 6.♙e3 ♘g4 7.♙f4 e5 8.dxe5 dxe5 9.♙g3 ♗xd1+ 10.♚xd1 ♘c6 11.h3 ♘h6 12.♙e2 ♘d4 13.♘xe5 ♘c2+ 14.♙f1 c5 15.♘d5 ♙e6 16.♙d3 ♘d4 17.b3 ♙h8 18.♙g1 f6 19.♘f3 ♘xf3+ 20.gxf3 ♚f7 21.♙g2 ♚c8 22.♚he1 f5 23.e5 ♚d8 24.♘f4 ♚e8 25.♘xe6 ♚xe6 26.f4 ♘g8 27.♙e2 h6 28.



Photo by Jeff Roland

All 16 players of the tournament (left-right regardless of row): Cory Longhurst, Katie Rae Patterson, Patrick Kirk, Kevin Patterson, Jamie Lang, Emily Patterson, Jeff Roland, Caleb Abernathy, Michaela Abernathy, James McGarvey, Paul Edvalson, Tom Booth, Dan Looney, Kory Puderbaugh, Peter Olsoy, Hugh Myers.

♖f3 ♜e8 29.♞d6 ♔h7 30.♙d5
 ♞fe7 31.h4 g5 32.hxg5 ♙f8 33.
 ♞h1 ♞c7 34.♙xg8+ ♔xg8 35.♞f6
 ♙g7 36.♞xf5 ♞c6 37.gxh6 ♞xh6
 38.♞xh6 ♙xh6 39.♞h5 ♔h7 40.f5
 ♞g8 41.♔f3 ♞g5 {Time} 1-0

E20 Queen Pawn

James McGarvey (1600)
Corey Longhurst (1512)

Meridian, Winter Warm-Up Inv (2) 2012

1.d4 ♖f6 2.c4 e6 3.♗c3 ♙e7 4.e4
 d6 5.♗f3 O-O 6.♙e2 b6 7.O-O
 ♙b7 8.e5 ♗e8 9.♙e3 a6 10.♞c1
 ♗d7 11.♙d3 h6 12.♞e1 ♔h8 13.
 ♙e2 ♞c8 14.♙f4 g5 15.♙g3 g4
 16.♗d2 h5 17.♙xg4 hxg4 18.
 ♞xg4 ♙g5 19.♞h5+ ♔g7 20.♗ce4
 ♞h8 21.♞xg5+ ♞xg5 22.♗xg5
 dxe5 23.dxe5 ♗c5 24.♞e3 ♞d8
 25.♗b3 ♗a4 26.♞e2 ♔g6 27.♗f3
 ♗g7 28.♗fd4 ♞d7 29.♞d2 ♞hd8
 30.♞cc2 ♗c5 31.♗xc5 bxc5 32.
 ♗f3 ♙xf3 33.♞xd7 ♞xd7 34.gxf3
 ♗f5 35.♔g2 ♞d3 36.♞c3 ♞xc3
 37.bxc3 ♗e7 38.♙h4 ♗c6 39.f4
 ♔h5 40.♙f6 ♔g4 41.f3+ ♔xf4 42.h4
 ♔f5 43.f4 ♔xf4 44.h5 ♔f5 45.♙g7
 ♔g5 46.h6 ♔g6 47.♔f2 ♗a5 48.
 ♔e2 ♗xc4 49.♔d3 ♗b6 50.♔c2 c4
 51.♔b2 ♗d5 52.a4 a5 53.♔c2
 ♗e3+ 54.♔d2 ♗f5 55.♔e2 ♗xg7
 56.hxg7 ♔xg7 57.♔e3 f6 58.
 exf6+ ♔xf6 59.♔f4 e5+ 60.♔e4
 ♔e6 61.♔e3 ♔d5 62.♔d2 ♔e4
 63.♔e2 ♔f4 64.♔f2 c6 65.♔e2
 ♔e4 66.♔d2 ♔f3 0-1

B30 Sicilian Rossolimo

Daniel Looney (1584)
Peter Olsoy

Meridian, Winter Warm-Up Inv (3) 2012

1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♙b5 a6 4.
 ♙c4 b5 5.♙d5 ♙b7 6.d3 e6 7.
 ♙xc6 ♙xc6 8.♙f4 ♗f6 9.O-O ♙e7
 10.♗e5 ♙b7 11.♗g4 d6 12.♞e1
 O-O 13.♗d2 ♗d7 14.♗f3 d5 15.e5
 d4 16.♞d2 ♗b6 17.♞e2 ♗d5 18.
 ♙d2 h5 19.♞e4 hxg4 20.♞xg4 g6
 21.♗g5 ♔g7 22.h4 ♞h8 23.f3 ♞h5
 24.♔f2 ♞c7 25.♞xe6 fxe6 26.
 ♗xe6+ ♔f7 27.♗xc7 ♗xc7 28.
 ♞e2 ♔e6 29.g3 ♞xe5 30.♞xe5+
 ♔xe5 31.♞e1+ ♔d6 32.♙f4+ ♔d7
 33.♙xc7 ♙d6 34.♙xd6 ♔xd6 35.



Photo by Jeff Roland

The game that decided first place: Peter Olsoy (left) vs. Caleb Abernathy (right).

f4 ♞f8 36.♞e5 ♙c6 37.♞g5 ♙e8
 38.h5 ♞f5 39.♞xg6+ ♙xg6
 40.hxg6 ♞f6 41.g7 ♞g6 42.♔f3
 ♞xg7 43.g4 ♔d5 44.g5 c4 45.♔g4
 cxd3 46.cxd3 ♔e6 47.f5+ ♔e5
 48.f6 ♞f7 49.♔h5 ♔f5 50.♔h6 a5
 51.b3 b4 52.g6 ♞xf6 0-1

A96 Dutch Iljin Genevsky

Jeff Roland (1725)
Hugh Myers (1539)

Meridian, Winter Warm-Up Inv (4) 2012

1.d4 f5 2.g3 ♗f6 3.♙g2 e6 4.c4
 ♙e7 5.♗f3 O-O 6.O-O d6 7.♗c3 c6
 8.♞e1 ♗bd7 9.e4 fxe4 10.♗xe4
 ♗xe4 11.♞xe4 ♗f6 12.♞e1 b6 13.
 ♗g5 ♞c7 14.♗xe6 ♙xe6 15.♞xe6
 ♞ae8 16.♙f4 ♞d7 17.♞e1 d5 18.
 ♞b3 ♙d6 19.♙e3 ♞f5 20.♞ac1
 h5 21.♞c2 ♞d7 22.♞g6 h4 23.
 gxh4 ♗e4 24.c5 ♞f6 25.♞h5 ♙b8
 26.f3 ♞c7 27.♞xe8+ ♔h7 28.♞e5
 ♞d8 29.♞h5+ 1-0

A18 English Flohr-Mikenas

Peter Olsoy
Caleb Abernathy (1686)

Meridian, Winter Warm-Up Inv (4) 2012

1.c4 ♗f6 2.♗c3 e6 3.e4 d5 4.e5
 ♗fd7 5.d4 ♙b4 6.a3 ♙xc3+ 7.bxc3
 dxc4 8.♙xc4 ♗b6 9.♙d3 ♞d5
 10.♗f3 ♙d7 11.♞e2 c5 12.O-O
 ♙c6 13.♞e1 c4 14.♙e4 ♞xe4 15.
 ♞xe4 ♙xe4 16.♞xe4 ♗d5 17.♙d2
 ♗c6 18.♞b1 ♗a5 19.♞b5 b6 20.
 ♞b2 ♗b3 21.♙e1 O-O 22.♞ee2
 a5 23.a4 ♞fb8 24.♞ec2 ♗f4 25.
 ♞xb3 cxb3 26.♞b2 ♗d3 27.♞xb3

♗xe1 28.♗xe1 b5 29.axb5 a4 30.
 ♞b1 a3 31.♗c2 a2 32.♞a1 ♞xb5
 33.♗b4 h6 34.f4 ♞a3 35.♞xa2
 ♞xa2 36.♗xa2 ♞b2 37.♗b4 ♞b1+
 38.♔f2 ♞c1 39.d5 exd5 40. ♗xd5
 ♔f8 41.♔e3 ♞c2 42.g3 ♞xh2 43.c4
 ♞c2 44.♔d4 ♔e8 45. ♔c5 ♞g2 46.
 ♔d6 ♞xg3 47.c5 ♞d3 48.c6 ♔d8
 49.c7+ ♔c8 50.f5 ♞xd5+ 51.♔xd5
 ♔xc7 52.e6 ♔d8 53.♔d6 fxe6 54.
 ♔xe6 ♔e8 55.f6 g6 56.f7+ ♔f8
 57.♔f6 g5 58.♔f5 ♔xf7 59.♔g4
 ♔f6 60.♔f3 ♔f5 0-1

Next month, we will have the results of the Idaho Closed State Chess Championship. Who will be the Idaho State Chess Champion for 2012? Early Pre-registrations at the time of writing this article have 29 players pre-registered, and there will likely be more as we approach the deadline for pre-registration.

We will also have results for two Scholastic tournaments that are to be held on February 25, 2012 in Boise, Idaho. The Idaho Scholastic Girls Championship and the Idaho Scholastic Novice Tournament are being held at the same time and place for the first time ever. So we should have news on those as well.

Upcoming Events

- Idaho Scholastic Championship**, Boise, March 17.
- Idaho Open**, Pocatello, April 21-22 (an NWGP event!).
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**Fall City, Federal Way, and
Sammamish, WA**

Igor Ummel won the Washington Junior Closed, a six-player round-robin, held on the weekend of January 6-8. The first round was played at the home of David Hendricks in Sammamish on Friday night. The Saturday rounds took place in the Fall City Library, while, on Sunday, the troupe found themselves playing in the Federal Way Library.

Igor's total of four points consisted of three wins and two draws. Michael Wang also had three wins, but lost to Igor

and finished a half-point back. Casey Xing and Roland Feng both finished on three with two wins and two draws. David Hendricks and Gary Dorfner shared the TD duties, with the former responsible for the first three rounds and the latter the last two rounds.

A65 Modern Benoni

**Roland Feng (2148)
Igor Ummel (2122)**

Federal Way, WA Junior Closed 2012

1.d4 c5 2.d5 e6 3.c4 exd5 4.cxd5
d6 5.♘c3 ♘f6 6.e4 g6 7.♙f4 a6
8.♘f3 b5 9.♚e2 ♙e7 10.e5 dxe5
11.♙xe5 ♘bd7 12.O-O-O ♘xe5
13.♘xe5 ♚d6 14.♖e1 ♖a7 15.
♚d2 ♖b7 16.♚h6 ♙f5 17.♙d3
♙xd3 18.♚g7 ♖f8 19.♘xd3 b4 20.
♘e4 ♘xe4 21.♖xe4 f5 22.♖e6
♚xe6 23.♚xf8+ ♙xf8 24.dxe6 c4
25.♘e5 ♖e7 26.♘xc4 ♖xe6 27.
♘d2 ♙c5 28.f3 ♘d7 29.♘d3 ♘c6
30.♖f1 ♖e8 31.♖c1 ♘d5 32.♘a5
♖e3+ 33.♘d2 ♖e7 34.♖c2 ♙d6
35.h3 ♖c7 36.♘b3 ♙f4+ 37.♘d3
♖xc2 38.♘xc2 ♘c4 39.♘d2+ ♘d4

40.♘f1 ♙c7 41.♘d2 f4 Draw

Courtesy of Gary Dorfner

Portland, OR

The **Portland Chess Shop December Rapids** held on the 4th attracted 15 players. NM **Steven Breckenridge** won the G/29 event with a perfect 4-0 score. Galen Pyle directed the event.

Steven Breckenridge won the last tournament of 2011, the **Portland CC G/60** event held 31 Dec with 4-0 score. 12 players took part in the event directed by Michael Morris.

FM Nick Raptis won the first PCC G/60 of 2012 with a 4-0 score. Becca Lampman, Jerry Sherrard, and Dagadu Gaikwad tied for second-fourth at 3-1. Twenty players attended.

A sparsely attended PCC annual meeting yielded the following election results:

Gregory Alpernas of Lake Oswego was elected President. He replaces **Mike Janniro**, who will continue on the board. **Neil Dale** continues as Vice-President. Long time Secretary/Treasurer **Mike Morris** will continue in that post. **Barb Fortune** of Tualatin was also to continue on the board of officers. The financial report showed better revenue in 2011 than in 2010 and tournament attendance was up. A six-board Internet match against San Francisco was discussed.

In a drawing for those attending, Mike Lilly gave away some gift certificates to Starbucks and Powells, while Russell Miller donated some 1/2 year sets of *Inside Chess* to the drawing.

Compiled by Russell Miller

Tacoma, WA

The **Tacoma CC Blitz Championship** was held on 11/11/11. There were five players in all. The winners were **Peter Marriott** and Paul Bartron, 5.5 each. Peter won the title when he beat Paul in a playoff match.

Santa's Quads were held at the club on 12/16. There were two sections, a quad and a seven-player swiss. **Dan Reisinger** and **Larry Anderson** topped the quad with two points apiece. **Mike**



Photo by Gary Dorfner

Front row (L-R): TD Gary Dorfner and Roland Feng. Back row (L-R): Vishnu Warriero, Igor Ummel, Ethan Gottlieb, Michael Wang, and Casey Xing.

Mellott scored 2.5 points to win the swiss. **Bill Rogers** and **Robert Trippel** tied for second-third on two points each.

The Christmas Congress was held at the club on 12/17. **Murlin Varner** came first with 2.5/3. **Nick Pazderic** was second with two and 1.5 points secured third for **James Wang**.

The TD for all of these events was **Gary Dorfner**.

Courtesy of Gary Dorfner

Albany, OR

FM **Nick Raptis**, who lost all four of his games in the Portland Chess Shop December Rapids, bounced back the next weekend (12/10-11) to place second in the **Albany Open** with 3.5-1.5. NM **Steven Breckenridge** won the event with 4.5 points, drawing with Raptis. Fourteen players took part in the Open section. **Yogi Saputa** won the ten-player U1800 section, also 4.5-0.5. **Dan Dalthorpe** directed the event.

Courtesy of Russell Miller

Ephrata, WA

Maria Naess, a fourth grader from Moses Lake won the annual **Waypoint Foundation Scholastic** held on February 4th. Her prize was \$500!! Her sister **Sara** won last year and lost to **Maria** in a playoff game this year. The field was composed of ninety-two K-12 students from the Columbia Basin.

The Waypoint Foundation is a way to give back to the community from some who have benefited from individual as well as corporate generosity in the past.

Apart from sponsoring this tournament and offering chess classes, Waypoint also is involved in Scouting, supports

local exchange students, and gives out scholarships.

Courtesy of R. Miller and Waypoint

Opatja, Croatia

Dan Mayers of Idaho and **Michael Schemm** participated in the World Senior Championship, an eleven-round event held November 11-26. Mayers finished on five points. He faced one Master, six Experts, two As, and two Bs. Schemm scored 4.0/10, facing four Masters, two of whom were FMs, five As, and one B.

Stillwater, OK

Alexandra Botez, a 16-year-old from Happy Valley, Oregon, did very well in the **Jerry Hanken FIDE Open**, held February 18th-20th. Her 6-2 score placed her second to IM **Eric Hansen's** 8-0 score. Botez lost only to Hansen and beat the other two Masters she faced: FM **Michael Langer** and NM **William Orton**. The Open section had 48 players.

Courtesy of Russell Miller

Concord, CA

The Golden State Open's 60-player top section included three Northwest players: FM **Howard Chen** of Monroe, WA, NM **Luke Harmon-Vellotti** of Idaho, and LM **Viktors Pupols** of Kingston, WA. They all scored 4-3 and Pupols won \$84.50. He beat **Luke**, giving another one of his many lessons to young players. **Becca Lampman** of Vancouver, WA, and **Noah Fields** of Tacoma played in the 67-player U2100 section.

The tournament was held over **Martin Luther King** weekend, January 13-16.

Courtesy of Russell Miller

Corvallis, OR

The Oregon Scholastic Chess Federation sponsored a 45-player, three-section event on January 16th called the **2012 Corvallis MLK**. **Dan Dalthorpe** was the chief tournament director. FM **Nick Raptis** of Portland won the Power Section with a score 4.5-0.5. He was nicked for a draw by

NM **Corey Russell** of Medford. **Henry Lancaster** scored 4-0 to top the Mighty RDA Section. **John Ornes** won the 3rd Section with 3.5-0.5.

Courtesy of Russell Miller ■

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WA Championship cont'd from page 15

♞d6+ ♠a7 34.♞d4+ ♠a8 35.♞a4+ ♠b8 Draw

B06 Modern Defense

NM Gil Lapid Shafri (4.0)
FM Howard Chen (6.5)

Seattle, WA Championship (9) 2012

1.d4 g6 2.e4 ♘g7 3.♘c3 d6 4.♙e3 a6 5.♞d2 ♘d7 6.h4 ♘gf6 7.f3 c5 8.♘ge2 h5 9.O-O-O ♞a5 10.♠b1 b5 11.dxc5 dxc5 12.♙f4 O-O 13.e5 ♘e8 14.♘d5 ♞xd2 15.♘xe7+ ♠h7 16.♞xd2 ♘xe5 17.♞d5 ♘c4 18.♞xc5 ♙e6 19.g4 ♘f6 20.♘g3 ♞fe8 21.♘g6 fvg6 22.gxh5 ♘d5 23.hxg6+ ♠xg6 24.♙c1 ♞ac8 25.h5+ ♠f7 26.♞xc8 ♞xc8 27.♘e4 ♠f8 28.h6 ♙h8 29.♞h5 ♘b4 30.b3 ♘b6 31.♙a3 ♘6d5 32.♙h3 ♠f7 33.♘d6+ ♠g6 34.♙xb4 ♠xh5 35.♙xe6 ♘c3+ 36.♙xc3 ♞xc3 37.♘f7 ♙f6 38.h7 ♞e3 39.♙g4+ ♠g6 40.h8=♘+ ♙xh8 41.♘xh8+ ♠g7 42.a3 a5 Draw

C20 Scholar's Mate Attack

Igor Ummel (5.0)
NM Dereque Kelley (4.0)

Seattle, WA Championship (9) 2012

1.e4 e5 2.♞h5 ♘c6 3.♙c4 g6 4.♞f3 ♞f6 5.♞d1 d6 6.♘c3 ♘g7 7.a3 h6 8.d3 ♞d8 9.♙e3 ♘f6 10.♞d2 ♘g4 11.♘f3 O-O 12.h3 ♘xe3 13.fxe3 a6 14.g4 ♞b8 15.b4 b5 16.♙b3 ♙e6 17.♙xe6 fxe6 18.O-O d5 19.♞ad1 d4 20.♘e2 ♞d6 21.c3 ♞bd8 22.♠g2 ♠h7 23.♞b2 Draw ■



2011 Robert Karch Memorial Northwest Chess Grand Prix

Final Standings!

Murlin Varner, miner of data

Another year has drawn to a close, all the points have been tabulated and all the checks have cleared. We can now announce the new winners, some of whom aren't new at all, such as our two overall winners, Nick Raptis of Oregon and Stephen Buck of Washington. Each will receive a class prize plus an additional amount for finishing first overall in the respective states. That works out to \$128.00 for Raptis and \$233.60 for Buck.

Oregon class winners will receive \$64.00 for first and \$32.00 for second in their classes. Washington Class winners will receive \$116.80, with \$58.40 for second. Look through the list. Some are repeat winners, some for the first time, like yours truly.

Many records were set this year, in spite of the fact that there were five less Grand Prix events than last year (72). Six hundred ten people played in one or more Grand Prix events, an increase of 17 from last year's record number. These 610 players made 2233 entries into GP events (a new record) and received 23002 GP points for their efforts (also a new record). This gave us new records in entries per player (3.66) and entries per event (31.01) Untouched was Dennis Ambler's 2010 record for points amassed, as Buck fell 34 points short of that mark. 2009 records for GP events (80) and events with multipliers (16) still stand. In addition to the Washington and Oregon players, we had 24 Canadian players in GP events, along with 14 from Montana, 10 from Idaho and 6 from California. Additional GP players came from the states of AZ, CO, MN, MS, NC, NV, NY, and RI.

Some contests were very close. The average number of points awarded per entry this year was just over 10, and many margins below were quite a bit less than that, in one case just a half point.

Oregon

Washington

Masters

Raptis, Nick	198.5	Bragg, David	173.5
Breckenridge, Steven	169.5	Pupols, Viktors	143.0
Haessler, Carl	90.5	Sinanan, Joshua C	123.5
Roua, Radu	44.0	Golub, David	90.5

Experts

Esler, Brian J	131.0	Bartron, Paul	181.0
Botez, Alexandra V	126.5	Ummel, Igor	161.0
Gay, Daniel Z	109.5	Feng, Roland	134.0
Brooks, Curtis	98.5	Sen, Samir	120.5

Class A

Sherrard, Jerry	142.0	Buck, Stephen	242.0
Wen, David	118.0	Fields, Noah	231.0
Cigan, Jason	117.5	Lampman, Becca	180.0
Fisette, Robert	99.5	Haining, Kyle	171.0

Class B

Robson, Luke	84.5	Kramlich, Dan	207.0
Shimada, Masakazu	80.5	Walk, Alan	198.0
Terrill, Michael	67.0	Davis, Frederick	163.5
Burris, Christopher	60.5	Nicoski, Aaron	105.0

Class C

Murray, Dillon	100.5	Dhingra, Sangeeta	136.0
Gaikwad, Dagadu	71.0	Varner, Murlin	132.0
Chatterjee, Dhruva	63.0	Piper, August	121.0
Lian, Hansen	57.0	Zhang, Derek	109.0

Class D and Below

Cohen, David	77.5	Richards, Jerrold	163.5
Sharan, Praveer	66.0	Haining, Breck	110.5
Jewell, Nathan	56.0	Jones, Davey	76.0
Sharan, Pranav	56.0	Taylor, Thomas	72.0

Overall Leaders, by State

Raptis, Nick	198.5	Buck, Stephen	242.0
Breckenridge, Steven	169.5	Fields, Noah	231.0
Sherrard, Jerry	142.0	Kramlich, Dan	207.0
Esler, Brian	131.0	Walk, Alan	198.0
Botez, Alexandra	126.5	Bartron, Paul	181.0

Players from Other Places

	state	rating	pts.
Sly, Douglas	CAN	1527	67.5
Le Blanc, Paul	CAN	1855	58.5
Doknjas, Joshua	CAN	1770	56.5
Havrilla, Mark	D	1935	50
Sullivan, Brian	CAN	1653	49

Players in Database 2011

class	OR	WA	Other	totals
Master	5	14	4	23
Expert	21	34	8	63
Class A	34	68	18	120
Class B	28	69	16	113
Class C	34	54	13	101
Class D-below	53	132	5	190
	175	371	64	610

Now, it is on to the 2012 Grand Prix, where, as of this writing, there are already seven events in the books, including two with multipliers. If you haven't yet played in a Grand Prix event this year, you are already behind (some people have played in three just in January). Next month, I'll have our first set of standings that include Idaho, a new member of the Grand Prix program. ■



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Darby Monahan Memorial Grand Prix

Leaders 10/1-3/4

Fred Kleist	141.9	Boas Lee	99.8
August Piper	138.5	Kerry VanVeen	93.0
David Kelly	116.5	Marcell Szabo	89.5
Carol Kleist	113.0	Catherine Smith	84.0
Jothi Ramesh	109.1	Alan Walk	81.5
Michael VanScyoc	109.0	Viktors Pupols	81.5
Brian Raffel	101.9	Dan Kramlich	79.5

Bolded players are new to the top 14. Players in italics gained less than 10 points since 2/4. The four people whose totals do not end in 0 or 5, played in the Insanity (min. 7.3 pts). Next big event is the **SCC Team in Reno**. The G.P. continues through 5/31/12. *Two prizes will be awarded*—free entries to the 2012 Canadian Open or 2012 U.S. Open.

Seattle Spring Open

March 23-25 or 24-25

A two-section Swiss (4 rounds – Open, 5 rounds – Reserve) with a time control of 40/2 and SD/1 (two-day Reserve schedule – Round 1, G/64). The prize fund of \$810 is based on 42 paid entries, 5 per prize group.

a Karch Memorial Grand Prix event

Open		Reserve (U1950)	
First	\$160	First	\$100
Second	\$120	Second	\$75
U2100	\$90	U1750	\$60
		U1550	\$50
		U1350	\$40
		Unrated	\$15
Plus Score Pool – \$100			

Entry Fees: \$33 if rec'd by 3/21 (\$24 SCC memb., \$29 memb. of other dues-required CCs in the NW), \$42 at site (\$33 SCC memb., \$38 memb. of other dues-required CCs in the NW). **Unrated**—Free with purchase of 1-yr USCF & 1-yr WCF. Add \$1 to any EF for 2-day schedule.

Registration: Open—Sat. 11-noon; Reserve—Fri. 7-7:45pm, Sat. 9-9:45am.

Rounds: Open—Sat. 12:30-6:45, Sun. 11-5; Reserve—Fri. 8, Sat. (10 @ G/64)-12:30-6:45, Sun. 11-5.

Byes: 1 in Open, 2 in Reserve (Sunday rounds, commit at registration).

Miscellaneous: USCF & WCF membership req'd. No smoking.

Mar. 17, May 12

Saturday Quads

Format: 3-RR, 4-plyr sections by rating. **TC:** G/120. **EF:** \$9 (+\$7 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.

March 18

SCC Novice

Format: 4-SS. Open to U1200 and unrated. **TC:** G/75. **EF:** \$11 by 1/5, \$16 at site. (-\$2 for SCC mem., -\$1 for mem. of other NW dues-req'd CCs). **Prizes:** Memb (SCC, WCF, USCF). **Reg:** 9-9:45a.m. **Rds:** 10-12:45-3:30-6. **Byes:** 1 (Rd 3/4—commit at reg.). **Misc:** USCF memb. req'd. NS, NC.

Apr. 1, 29

Sunday Tornado

Format: 4-SS. **TC:** G/64. **EF:** \$18 (+\$7 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, NS, NC.

April 6-8

SCC Team in Reno!

Join the SCC Team(s) at the Larry Evans Memorial (see ad on page 7). We will compete against teams from San Francisco, Reno, Sacramento, and elsewhere!

Special Events in April

- 4/7 **Tournament of Champions** (WGM Elena Donaldson) — see www.chessplayer.com
 4/13-15 **Clark Harmon Memorial** (Washington Chess Federation) — see TA on back page

♣ **March 17-18**

Portland Spring Open ♣

Site: Portland Chess Club, 8205 SW 24 Ave, Portland OR. **Format:** 5SS, two sections. **TC:** NEW 40/90, SD/30. **EF:** \$35, PCC members – \$10 discount. **Prize Fund:** \$\$650 b/40. **Prizes:** *Open* — \$150- 100, U2000 75; *Reserve* — \$100-75, U1600 50, U1400 50, U1200/UNR 50. **Reg:** Saturday 9-9:45. **Rds:** 10-2:30-ASAP, 10-ASAP. **Byes:** ½ point byes available rds 1-4 if req'd at reg., limit 2. **Misc:** USCF and OCF/WCF req'd.

♣ **March 31**

Daffodil Open ♣

Site: Tacoma Chess Club, 409 Puyallup Ave E, 2nd floor, Room 11 in the DTI Soccer Store Building across from Alfred's Café (two blocks down the hill from the Tacoma Dome). **Format:** 4SS. **TC:** G/60. **EF:** \$20. **Prize Fund:** \$\$135 b/10. **Prizes:** Top Half – \$40-25; Bottom Half – 35-25. **Reg:** 9:00-9:45 a.m. **Rds:** 10-12:30-3-5:30 or ASAP. **Byes:** One half-point bye avail. **Misc:** OCF/WCF and USCF memb req'd. NS. NC. NW. **Entries/Info:** Gary J. Dorfner 8423 E 'B' St, Tacoma WA 98445; 253-535-2536; ggarychess@aol.com.

♣ **March 31**

Portland Chess Club G/60 ♣

Site: Portland Chess Club, 8205 SW 24 Ave, Portland OR. **Format:** 4SS. **TC:** G/60. (TD may switch to 5SS and G/45 if more than 25 entries.) **EF:** \$20, \$5 discount for PCC Members. No advance entries. **Prize Fund:** \$\$200/b20 **Prizes:** \$60-40-30 U1800, U1500 35 each. **Reg:** 9-9:30. **Byes:** Half-point bye if requested at reg. **Misc:** OCF/WCF and USCF memb req'd, OSA. **Info:** portlandchessclub@gmail.com, 503-246-2978, www.pdxchess.com.

♣ **April 13-15 or 14-15**

Sixth Annual Clark Harmon Memorial ♣

Site: Seattle Chess Club, 2150 N 107 St, Seattle WA 98133. **Format:** 5SS, 2 sec.—*Open, Reserve* (U1800). **TC:** 40/120, SD/60 (2-Day Option, Rd. 1, G/60). **EF:** \$35 if postmarked or online by 4/9. \$45 at site. Free entry for GMs, IMs, WGMs. **Prize Fund:** \$\$800/b40. **Prizes:** *Open* \$150-100, U2100 75, U1900 75; *Reserve* (U1800): 120-100, U1600 60, U1400 60, U1200 60. **Reg:** Fri. (4/13) 7-7:45 p.m. or Sat (4/14) 8-9:30 a.m. **Rds:** Fri. 8pm, Sat. 12:15pm & 6:30pm, Sun. 11am & 5pm. 2-Day Schedule: Rd 1—Sat 10 a.m., then merges with 3-Day Schedule. **Byes:** limit 2, request before end of Rd 2. **Misc:** OCF/WCF & USCF memb. req'd. OSA. Foreign rtgs used for players w/o USCF rtg. **Entries:** Checks payable to Washington Chess Federation. Mail to: Dan Mathews, 2700 NW Pine Cone Drive, Unit 402, Issaquah, WA 98027-8677. Enter online: www.nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration. **Info:** dthmathews@aol.com, 425-218-7529. NS. NC. W.

♣ **April 21-22**

Idaho Open ♣

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♣ **April 21-22**

Inland Empire Open ♣

Site: Gonzaga University (Schoenberg Center) Rm. 201 & 202, N 800 Pearl St, Spokane WA. **Format:** 5SS. **TC:** G/115. **EF:** \$26 if rec'd by 4/20, \$31 at site; under 19, \$5 less. Phone entries accepted. **Prize Fund:** \$\$700 b/30. **Prizes:** \$165-125, A 60-30, B 60-30, C 60-30, D/E/UNR 60-30, Biggest Upset 50 (no prov. rtgs). Class prizes b/5 per class. **Reg:** 8:30-9:30 a.m. **Rds:** 10-2:30-7; 9-1:30 or ASAP. **Byes:** One ½-pt. bye allowed, if req'd before proceeding rd; Sunday byes must be req'd before the end of rd 3. **Misc:** Cookies & coffee provided. Director reserves right to use class pairings in final rd. NS, NC, W. **Entries:** Spokane CC, c/o David B Griffin, PO Box 631, Spokane Valley WA 99037. **Info:** 509-928-3260 or (cell) 509-994-9739.

♣ **May 5-6**

Oregon Class Championships ♣

Site: Portland Chess Club, 8205 SW 24th Ave, Portland OR 97219. **Format:** 5SS, 5 sec.—*M/X* (2000+), *Class A* (U2000), *Class B* (U1800), *Class C* (U1600), and *U1400*. Players must play within their class. **TC:** G/90+30s (analog—G/105). **EF:** \$40 if received by 5/3, \$45 at site. Reg. limited to first 50 players. Adv. reg. strongly recommended. **Prize Fund:** \$\$350 per sec. (b/10). **Prizes:** *M/X* \$200-100-50, *A* 200-100-50, *B* 200-100-50, *C* 200-100-50, *U1400* 200-100-50. **Reg:** 9-9:45 a.m. **Rds:** 10-2-6; 10-2. **Byes:** One ½-pt. bye allowed, if requested before rd 1. **Misc:** OCF/WCF & USCF memb. req'd in all sections. OR resident w highest score in *M/X* seeded into 2013 OR Closed Ch. Tiebreaking according to OCF Bylaws.. **Entries:** Payable to Oregon Chess Federation; mail to Mike Morris, 2344 NE 27th Ave, Portland OR 97212 **Info:** www.oregonchessfed.org; dandtwentz@msn.com.

May 19-21

Sixth Annual Keres Memorial

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♣ **May 26-28**

Washington Open ♣

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