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# From the Business Manager's Desk

## by Eric Holcomb

As I mentioned last month, due to the current *Northwest Chess* budget situation the NWC board was considering raising some of the discounted membership and advertising rates. This change has been approved effective April 15, 2013. The changes are summarized in the table below. The basic adult membership/subscription rate remains at $25 for one year, but there are modest increases in the discounted junior and three-year rates. A one-time "tournament" membership will now cost $10.00, but it includes two months in addition to the month the tournament was held. Families with juniors can opt for a 6-month "scholastic" membership for $10.00. Advertising rates remain the same for larger display ads, but increase to $25.00 for most tournament announcements (TAs), and to $125.00 for the highly discounted annual business card ad package that also includes the NWC website. However, NWC Grand Prix events automatically get two TAs in the magazine for the $25.00 price provided that I receive the TA in time.

Current members are allowed and encouraged to renew at the old rates before April 15. (I know I will!) New subscribers, including anyone receiving a sample copy at the Larry Evans Memorial tournament in Reno, are also welcome. (Your state membership is included if you live in Washington, Oregon or Idaho.) You can mail a check or money order or use PayPal online at http://www.nwchess.com/nwcmag/MemberApp_PayPal.htm. (Please address mailed payments to my Oregon address on page 2, and make payable to Northwest Chess.) Thanks!

| Northwest Chess - New Rate Schedule Effective April 15, 2013 | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **OR/WA Memberships/Subscriptions** | | | | **Idaho Memberships/Subscriptions** | | | |
| ***(Washington residents please add sales tax)*** | | | | | | | |
| | | Old | New | | | Old | New |
| **Adult** | 1 year | $ 25.00 | **$ 25.00** | Premium | 1 year | $ 25.00 | **$ 25.00** |
| | 3 years | $ 60.00 | **$ 65.00** | *The ICA board will be requested to approve other* | | | |
| **Junior** | 1 year | $ 17.00 | **$ 19.00** | *rates similar or identical to OR/WA.* | | | |
| | 3 years | $ 40.00 | **$ 45.00** | **Non-Member Subscriptions** | | | |
| **Scholastic** | 6 months | $ 10.00 | **$ 10.00** | | | Old | New |
| **Family** | 1 year | $ 5.00 | **$ 5.00** | **U.S.** | 1 year | $ 25.00 | **$ 25.00** |
| | 3 years | $ 12.00 | **$ 12.00** | | 3 years | $ 60.00 | **$ 65.00** |
| **Tournament** | 3 months | $ 5.00 | **$ 10.00** | **Canada** | 1 year | $ 25.00 | **$ 35.00** |
| *(One sample copy at event plus two months)* | | | | **Foreign** | 1 year | variable | **$ 50.00** |
| | | | | | | | |
| **Magazine/Website Advertising** | | | | | | | |
| | | Old | New | | | | |
| **Tournament Announcement (text)** | 1 month | non-GP | $ 20.00 | **$ 20.00** | TA ads include NWC website in magazine "teaser" and on TA calendar page. | | |
| | 1 month | GP event | $ 20.00 | **n/a** | | | |
| | 2 months | GP event | $ 40.00 | **$ 25.00** | | | |
| | 3 months | any event | $ 60.00 | **$ 35.00** | | | |
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| | 1/4 page | | $ 30.00 | **$ 30.00** | | | |
| | 1/8 page | | $ 20.00 | **$ 20.00** | | | |
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| | 2 months | | 15% | **10%** | | | |
| | 3+ months | | 15% | **15%** | | | |
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| | 3 months | | n/a | **$ 50.00** | | | |
| | annual | special! | $ 100.00 | **$ 125.00** | | | |
| *Note: The former higher rates for non-tournament ads were almost never applied and are discontinued. However, NWC reserves the right to add a surcharge for non-chess-related ads or to reject such ads based on content or available space.* | | | | | | | |

# Washington State Championship Results

## Championship

| | Name | Title | City (WA) | Rtg | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | Total | Pos |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Nathan Lee | | Issaquah | 2131 | x | 1 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0 | 0.5 | 0 | 1 | 4.5 | 5th |
| 2 | Roland Feng | NM | Seattle | 2218 | 0 | x | 0 | 0.5 | 1 | 0 | 0.5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | |
| 3 | **Ignacio Perez** | **FM** | **Seattle** | **2235** | **0.5** | **1** | **x** | **0.5** | **0** | **1** | **1.0F** | **0.5** | **1** | **0.5** | **6** | **1st** |
| 4 | Costin Cozianu | FM | Everett | 2508 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | x | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1 | 5.5 | 2nd |
| 5 | Tian Sang | NM | Bellevue | 2288 | 0.5 | 0 | 1 | 0.5 | x | 1 | 0.5 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 5.5 | 2nd |
| 6 | Samir Sen | NM | Vancouver | 2211 | 0.5 | 1 | 0 | 0.5 | 0 | x | 0.5 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 3.5 | |
| 7 | Igor Ummel | | Arlington | 2187 | 1 | 0.5 | 0.0F | 0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | x | 0.5 | 1 | 0.5 | 4.5 | |
| 8 | David Golub | NM | Bellevue | 2213 | 0.5 | 1 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0 | 1 | 0.5 | x | 1 | 0.5 | 5.5 | 2nd |
| 9 | Curt Collyer | FM | Seattle | 2311 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 1 | 0.5 | 0 | 0 | x | 0.5 | 3.5 | |
| 10 | Josh Sinanan | NM | Brier | 2254 | 0 | 1 | 0.5 | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | x | 3.5 | |

## Premier

| | Name | Title | City (WA) | Rtg | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | Total | Pos |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | **Daniel He** | | **Redmond** | **2040** | **x** | **1** | **1** | **1** | **0** | **1** | **0.5** | **1** | **0.5** | **0.5** | **6.5** | **1st** |
| 2 | Megan Lee | | Bellevue | 2112 | 0 | x | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0.5 | 0 | 0.5 | 6 | 3rd |
| 3 | Kyle Haining | | Lake Forest Park | 1939 | 0 | 0 | x | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 1 | 0.5 | 0 | 2 | |
| 4 | David Rupel | | Olympia | 2096 | 0 | 0 | 1 | x | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0 | 0.5 | 2.5 | |
| 5 | Michael MacGregor | NM | Tacoma | 2211 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | x | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0.5 | 5.5 | 5th |
| 6 | Chouchanik Airapetian | WFM | Edmonds | 2131 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | x | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | |
| 7 | Viktors Pupols | LM | Kingston | 2200 | 0.5 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0 | 0 | x | 1 | 0 | 0 | 2.5 | |
| 8 | Marcel Szabo | | Seattle | 2052 | 0 | 0.5 | 0 | 0.5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | x | 0.5 | 1 | 3.5 | |
| 9 | **Michael Omori** | | **Seattle** | **2153** | **0.5** | **1** | **0.5** | **1** | **1** | **1** | **1** | **0.5** | **x** | **0** | **6.5** | **1st** |
| 10 | Paul Bartron | FM | Tacoma | 2149 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | x | 6 | 3rd |

## Invitational

| | Name | Title | City (WA) | Rtg | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | Total | Pos |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Sarah May | | Vancouver | 1888 | x | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | x | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1 | 4.5 | 4th |
| 2 | **Bryce Tiglon** | | **Redmond** | **2044** | **0.5** | **x** | **1** | **1** | **1** | **0** | **x** | **1** | **1** | **1** | **6.5** | **1st** |
| 3 | Samuel He | | Redmond | 2033 | 0.5 | 0 | x | 1 | 1 | 0 | x | 0.5 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 5th |
| 4 | Mark Smith | | Seattle | 1869 | 0.5 | 0 | 0 | x | 0.5 | 0 | x | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 2.5 | |
| 5 | Noah Fields | | Tacoma | 1887 | 0.5 | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | x | 0 | x | 1 | 0 | 0.5 | 2.5 | |
| 6 | Krishnan Warrier | | Redmond | 1925 | 0.5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | x | x | 0.5 | 1 | 0 | 6 | 2nd |
| 7 | Alan Bishop** | | Tacoma | 2020 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 8 | Joseph Kiiru | | Tacoma | 1881 | 0.5 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0 | 0.5 | x | x | 0 | 0 | 2 | |
| 9 | Becca Lampman | | Vancouver | 1973 | 0.5 | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 1 | 0 | x | 1 | x | 0 | 3 | |
| 10 | Patrick Van Dyke | | Maple Valley | 2057 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1 | x | 1 | 1 | x | 5 | 3rd |

** See "Washington Championship Continued" on page 20 for detailed explanation.

Rounds 1-8: Feb. 9, 10, 16, 17 at 10:00 AM and 5:00 PM. Round 9: Feb. 18 (President's Day) at 5:00 PM.
Site: Seattle Chess Club, 2150 N 107 St., Seattle, WA 98133.
Tournament Director: Frederick Kleist. Organizer: Joshua Sinanan (WCF President).

# Oregon State Championship Results

## Oregon Closed Championship

|  | Name | Title | City (OR) | Rtg | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | Total | Pos |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Nick Raptis | FM | Portland | 2353 | x | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0.5 | 1 | 7.5 | 1st |
| 2 | Richard Gutman | | Lake Oswego | 2060 | 0 | x | 0.5 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0.5 | 0 | 2 | |
| 3 | Steven Deeth | | Beaverton | 2113 | 0 | 0.5 | x | 0.5 | 0 | 1 | 0.5 | 1 | 0.5 | 1 | 5 | |
| 4 | Carl Haessler | LM | Lake Oswego | 2214 | 0 | 1 | 0.5 | x | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0.5 | 1 | 0.5 | 5.5 | 3rd |
| 5 | Daniel Gay | | Tigard | 2204 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | x | 1 | 0.5 | 1 | 1 | 0.5 | 7 | 2nd |
| 6 | Brian Esler | | Portland | 2136 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | x | 0 | 0.5 | 1 | 0.5 | 2 | |
| 7 | Robert Herrera | | Hillsboro | 2053 | 1 | 1 | 0.5 | 0 | 0.5 | 1 | x | 1 | 0 | 0 | 5 | |
| 8 | David Wen | | Corvallis | 1932 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0.5 | 0 | 0.5 | 0 | x | 0.5 | 1 | 3.5 | |
| 9 | Sean Tobin | | Portland | 2057 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.5 | x | 1 | 4 | |
| 10 | Corey Russell | FM | Medford | 2200 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | x | 3.5 | |



*Left to right: Daniel Gay, Corey Russell, Sean Tobin, Steven Deeth, David Wen, Brian Esler, Richard Gutman, Carl Haessler, Robert Herrera and Nick Raptis. Photo credit: Grisha Alpernas.*

Feb. 9-10 at 10:00 AM and 5:00 PM.
Feb. 16-18 at 10:00 AM and 5:00 PM (except only one round at 5:00 PM on 2/18).
Portland Chess Club, 8205 SW 24th Ave, Portland, OR 97219.
Tournament Director: Gregori "Grisha" Alpernas. Assistant Tournament Director: Kornelijs "Neil" Dale.

# Idaho State Championship Results

Idaho Closed Crosstable. Played at Shilo Inn, 1586 Blue Lakes Blvd. N., Twin Falls, Idaho from February 16-18, 2013. Barry Eacker was Chief TD, and Jay Simonson was Assistant TD. Crosstable is in tie-break order (Solkoff being the primary tie-break.)

| ## | Player | Residence | Sr./Jr. | USCF | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | Score | Prize |
|----|--------|-----------|---------|------|---|---|---|---|---|---|-------|-------|
| 1 | **Larry R. Parsons** | **Boise** | | 2000 | W13 | D12 | W15 | D2 | W10 | W5 | 5 | 1st Overall |
| 2 | Jeffrey T. Roland | Boise | | 1700 | W19 | W4 | W11 | D1 | D7 | D3 | 4½ | 2nd Overall |
| 3 | Cody Austin Gorman | Eagle | Jr. | 1712 | W16 | D10 | W8 | L7 | W15 | D2 | 4 | 3rd Overall |
| 4 | Caleb Paul Kircher | Nampa | | 1845 | W17 | L2 | W18 | L10 | W13 | W7 | 4 | 1st A |
| 5 | Alex James Machin | Boise | | Unr. | L10 | W16 | W20 | W11 | W12 | L1 | 4 | 1st Unrated |
| 6 | Nedzad Imamovic | Twin Falls | | Unr. | L11 | W14 | L7 | W21 | W17 | W10 | 4 | |
| 7 | Fred Bartell | Twin Falls | Sr. | 1711 | W14 | L11 | W6 | W3 | D2 | L4 | 3½ | 1st B |
| 8 | Barry D. Eacker | Twin Falls | | 1645 | W18 | -H- | L3 | D9 | D16 | W15 | 3½ | 2nd B |
| 9 | Kurt P. Douglas | Boise | | 1751 | L15 | W21 | D17 | D8 | D11 | W16 | 3½ | |
| 10 | Carmen Pemsler | Eagle | Jr. | 1465 | W5 | D3 | D12 | W4 | L1 | L6 | 3 | 1st C |
| 11 | Gary Hollingsworth | Pocatello | | 1407 | W6 | W7 | L2 | L5 | D9 | D12 | 3 | 2nd C |
| 12 | John B. Carr | Victor | Sr. | 1700 | W21 | D1 | D10 | D15 | L5 | D11 | 3 | Top Senior |
| 13 | Shane Taylor | Boise | | 1389 | L1 | L18 | W14 | W17 | L4 | W20 | 3 | 1st D |
| 14 | Desmond Porth | Bellevue | Jr. | 924 | L7 | L6 | L13 | -B- | W19 | W18 | 3 | 1st E |
| 15 | Lucas Knoll | Boise | Jr. | 1060 | W9 | W20 | L1 | D12 | L3 | L8 | 2½ | Top Junior |
| 16 | Jacob Ari Nathan | Idaho Falls | Jr. | 963 | L3 | L5 | W19 | W18 | D8 | L9 | 2½ | 2nd E |
| 17 | Adam Porth | Bellevue | | 1308 | L4 | W19 | D9 | L13 | L6 | W21 | 2½ | 2nd D |
| 18 | Drew Anthony Machin | Boise | | Unr. | L8 | W13 | L4 | L16 | W21 | L14 | 2 | |
| 19 | Jared Lee Arp | Twin Falls | Jr. | Unr. | L2 | L17 | L16 | W20 | L14 | -B- | 2 | |
| 20 | Jay L. Simonson | Idaho Falls | Sr. | 763 | -H- | L15 | L5 | L19 | -B- | L13 | 1½ | |
| 21 | Alise Pemsler | Eagle | | 570 | L12 | L9 | -B- | L6 | L18 | L17 | 1 | Top Woman |



*Cody Gorman (left), Jeff Roland (right) on front board, and Alex Machin (left) and Larry Parsons (right) on far board. All four players had a shot at the title with this game. Photo credit: Barry Eacker.*

## ICA Elections

At the ICA Annual Busines Meeting held before the third round of the Idaho Closed, Jeff Roland was elected President, Adam Porth was elected Vice President, and Patrick Abernathy was elected Secretary/Treasurer. Hugh Myers was elected Trustee for Web Development and Maintenance and Alise Pemsler was elected Trustee for Tournament Development. Terms commence March 30, 2013.



*Adam Porth's 45th birthday cake on February 18. Photo credit: Barry Eacker.*

# State Championship Games
# Part I: (the first weekend)

*In Washington and Oregon, the State Championships were made up of 10-player round robin events that took place over two weekends (February 9-10, and February 16-18). In Idaho, there was a 6-round Swiss System tournament that took place over President's weekend (February 16-18).*

*Since the deadline for material for this issue was February 10, we are putting all the games to the Washington and Oregon state championships (rounds 1-4, the first weekend) in the March issue, and the remaining games plus the best of the Idaho Closed games will go into the April issue.*

*All notes in this section are by Ralph Dubisch.*

## Oregon Games

**Daniel Gay -
Corey Russell [B02]**
2013 Oregon Invitational
Championship Portland Chess Club
(R1), Feb. 9, 2013

**1.e4 Nf6 2.Nc3 d5 3.exd5 Nxd5
4.Nxd5 Qxd5 5.d4 Nc6 6.Nf3 Bg4
7.Be2 0–0–0 8.Be3 e5 9.Nxe5 Bxe2
10.Qxe2 Nxe5 11.dxe5 Qxg2 12.Rf1
Be7 13.Rd1**



**13...Qxh2**

13...Qe4! 14.Bc1 Bb4+ 15.c3 (15.Bd2
Rxd2 16.Rxd2 Bxd2+ 17.Kxd2 Rd8+
18.Ke1 Qf4–+ 19.Qe3 (*19.f3 Rd5*)
19...Qb4+ 20.Ke2 (*20.c3 Qxb2*) 20...
Qc4+ 21.Kf3 (*21.Ke1 Qxc2–+*) 21...
Qxf1) 15...Rxd1+ 16.Kxd1 Rd8+
17.Ke1 Qb1! 18.Qe3 Bc5 19.Qxc5
Qc2!–+

**14.Qg4+ Kb8 15.Bf4 Qh4=**

15...Rxd1+ 16.Kxd1 Rd8+ 17.Ke2
Rd4! 18.Bxh2 (*18.Ke3 Rc4 19.c3 h5;
18.Kf3 h5*) 18...Rxg4∓

**16.Rxd8+ Rxd8 17.Qxh4 Bxh4
18.Rh1 g5 19.Bg3 Rd5 20.Bxh4
Rxe5+ 21.Kd2 gxh4 22.Rxh4 h5
23.Rf4 Re8 24.Rxf7 Rh8 25.Ke2 h4
26.Kf1 b6 27.Rf3 Rg8 28.Rf4 Rh8
29.Kg2 h3+ 30.Kh2 Re8 31.Kxh3
½–½**

**Brian Esler -
Carl Haessler [C61]**
2013 Oregon Invitational
Championship Portland Chess Club
(R1), Feb. 9, 2013

**1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Nd4
4.Nxd4 exd4 5.0–0 Bc5 6.c3 c6
7.Bc4 d6 8.a4 Qh4 9.b4 Bb6 10.a5
Bc7 11.cxd4 Nf6 12.g3 Qh3 13.f3 d5
14.exd5 0–0 15.dxc6 Bxg3 16.Qe2
Bd6 17.b5 Qh4**



**18.Bb2?!**

18.Kh1 bxc6 (18...Qxd4? 19.Ra4!
Nd5 (*19...Be6 20.Qxe6!*) 20.Qe4 Qxe4
21.fxe4 Nf6 22.Nc3+-) 19.Qf2∞

**18...bxc6 19.bxc6 Bh3 20.Rc1 Rfe8**

20...Rab8!–+ 21.Bc3 (*21.Ra2 Rxb2
22.Rxb2 Qxd4+*) 21...Rfe8 22.Qf2
when the combination from the game
is even stronger, as the rook on c1
is not defended: 22...Re1+ 23.Rxe1
(*23.Bf1 Rxc1; 23.Qxe1 Qg5+ 24.Kf2
Qg2+ 25.Ke3 Re8+ 26.Kd3 Bf5+*) 23...
Bxh2+

**21.Qf2 Bxh2+ 22.Qxh2 Re1+
23.Bf1 Rxc1 24.Bxc1 Qxd4+ 25.Qf2
Qxa1 26.Bxh3 Qxb1 27.Qc5 Qg6+
28.Kf2**
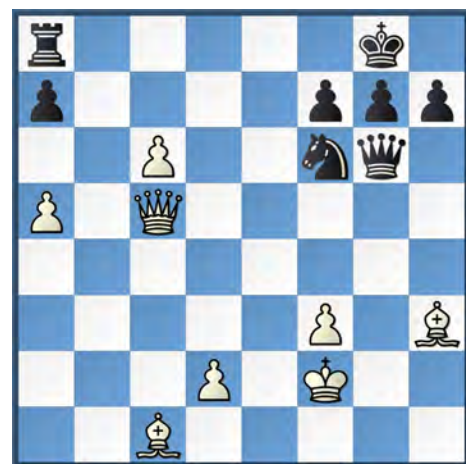


**28...Nh5 29.Bg4 Nf4 30.Kg3 Nd3
31.Qd5 Nb4 32.Qe4 Nxc6 0–1**

**Robert Herrera -**
**Steven Deeth [A37]**
2013 Oregon Invitational
Championship Portland Chess Club
(R1), Feb. 9, 2013

**1.c4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.Nf3 e5 4.g3 g6 5.Bg2 Bg7 6.a3 Nge7 7.0–0 0–0 8.Ne1 d6 9.Nc2 Be6 10.Ne3 Qd7 11.Ned5 Bh3 12.b4 Bxg2 13.Kxg2 cxb4 14.axb4 Nxd5 15.Nxd5 f5 16.d3 f4 17.f3 fxg3 18.hxg3 e4 19.Bf4!?**

19.Ra2±

**19...exf3+ 20.exf3 Bd4**

20...Bxa1 21.Qxa1∞

**21.Ra2± Rae8 22.Re1 Rxe1 23.Qxe1 Re8 24.Re2 Rxe2+ 25.Qxe2 Kf7 26.b5± Nd8 27.Qe4 Ne6 28.Bd2 a6**



**29.Nf4 Nxf4+ 30.Qxf4+**

30.Bxf4 Bc5 31.Qd5+ Kg7 32.d4+-

**30...Bf6 31.Bc3 Qe7**

31...Qf5=

**32.g4 Kg7 33.Bxf6+ Qxf6 34.Qe4 Qf7 35.g5 Qd7 36.Qd4+ Kg8 37.Qd5+ Kg7 38.Qd4+ Kg8 39.Qd5+ Kg7 40.bxa6 bxa6 41.c5 a5 42.Qd4+ Kg8 43.cxd6 a4 44.Qc5 Kf7 45.d4 Kf8 46.Kf2 Kf7 47.Qd5+ Kg7 48.Qc5 Kf7 49.d5 Ke8 50.Ke3 Qb7**

50...Kd8

**51.Kf4**

51.Qd4+- Qb3+ 52.Kf4 Kd7 53.Ke5!

**51...Qf7+ 52.Kg3 Qb7?**

52...Qd7

**53.Qe3+?**

53.Qd4+-

**53...Kd8 54.Qe5 Qf7 55.Qd4 Qd7 56.Qf6+ Kc8 57.Qc3+ Kd8 58.Qf6+ Kc8 59.Qc3+ Kd8 60.Qf6+ Kc8 ½–½**

**David Wen -**
**Richard Gutman [D48]**
2013 Oregon Invitational
Championship Portland Chess Club
(R1), Feb. 9, 2013

**1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 d5 4.e3 Nbd7 5.Nc3 c6 6.Bd3 dxc4 7.Bxc4 b5 8.Bd3 Bb7 9.0–0 a6 10.a4 b4 11.Ne4 c5 12.Qc2 Rc8 13.Nxf6+ Qxf6 14.Qe2 Bxf3 15.gxf3 a5 16.Bb5 Bd6 17.e4**

17.dxc5 Bxh2+ 18.Kxh2 Qh6+ 19.Kg2 Qg6+ 20.Kh2 Rxc5–+; 17.Rd1∞

**17...cxd4 18.Bxd7+ Kxd7 19.Qb5+ Rc6 20.Qxa5 Rhc8**

20...Qxf3

**21.Qh5 Rc5 22.Qg4 h5 23.Qg2 Bf4 24.Bxf4 Qxf4 25.Kh1 Rc2 26.Rad1 e5 27.Qh3+ Ke7 28.a5 R8c6**

28...Ra8

**29.Ra1 Rc1**

29...Ra6

**30.Raxc1 Rxc1 31.Rxc1 Qxc1+ 32.Kg2 Qg5+ 33.Qg3?**

33.Kf1

**33...Qxg3+ 34.fxg3 Kd6 35.b3 Kc5 36.Kf2 Kb5 37.Ke2 Kxa5 38.Kd3 Kb5 39.f4 exf4 40.gxf4 Kc5 41.h4 g6 42.Ke2**
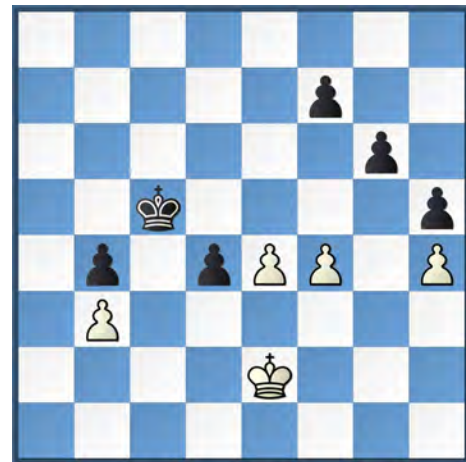


**42...f6?**

42...Kd6! 43.Kd3 *(43.Kd2 f6)* 43...g5! 44.fxg5 *(44.hxg5 h4)* 44...Ke5–+

**43.Kd3 f5 44.e5 Kd5 45.e6 Kxe6 46.Kxd4 Kd6 47.Kc4**
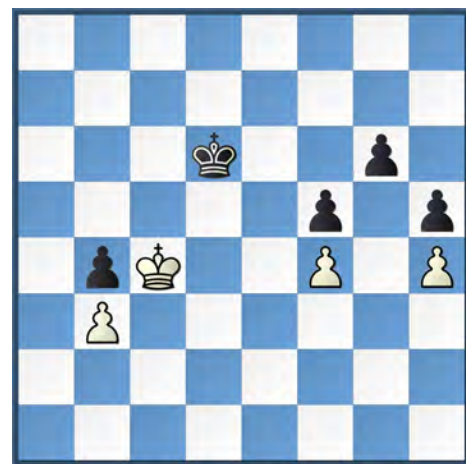


**47...g5**

47...Kc6! 48.Kxb4 Kd5 49.Kc3 *(49. Ka5 g5!–+)* 49...Ke4 50.b4 Kxf4 51.Kd4 Kg3 52.b5 f4 53.b6 f3 54.b7 f2 55.b8Q+ Kg2= Despite his extra queen, White can't win here. The location of the pawns and king prevent a long series of position-improving checks, so Black will shortly manage to promote and hold the draw.

**48.fxg5 Ke5 49.Kxb4 f4 50.Kc3 Ke4**

**51.Kd2 1–0**

### Sean Tobin -
### Nick Raptis [C01]
2013 Oregon Invitational
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**1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.exd5 exd5 5.Bd3 Nc6 6.Nge2 Nb4 7.Bg5 Be7 8.Ng3 0–0 9.0–0 Nxd3 10.Qxd3 h6 11.Bd2 Re8 12.Rae1 c6 13.h3 Bd6 14.Rxe8+ Qxe8 15.Re1 Qd8 16.Nce2 Bd7 17.c3 Qb6 18.b3 Re8 19.Nf5 Bxf5 20.Qxf5 Qa6 21.Nc1 Rxe1+ 22.Bxe1 Qa3 23.Qc2 Bf4 24.Ne2 Qe7 25.Kf1 Bd6 26.b4 Qe6 27.Qd3 Bc7 28.f3 Ne8 29.Bf2 Nd6 30.Bg3 Qe7 31.Bxd6 Bxd6 32.Kf2 Qh4+ 33.Kf1 g6 34.Ng1 Kg7 35.Ne2 h5 36.Ng1 Qg5 37.Ne2 h4 38.Kf2 Bg3+ 39.Kf1 f5 40.a4 Kf7 41.a5 Ke7 42.Qc2 Kd6 43.Qd3 b6 44.axb6 axb6 45.Kg1 Qe7 46.Kf1 Qg5 47.Kg1 Ke6 48.Kf1 Kf7 49.Kg1 Qe7 50.Kf1 Qa7 51.Qd2 Qa1+ 52.Qc1 Qa2 53.f4 Kf6**
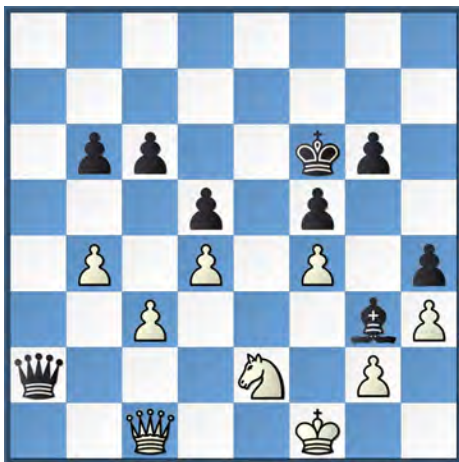


**54.Nxg3 hxg3 55.Qe1 Qc4+ 56.Kg1 Qd3 57.Qe5+ Kf7 58.Qc7+ Kg8 59.Qd8+ ½–½**

### Corey Russell -
### Sean Tobin [C77]
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(R2), Feb. 9, 2013

**1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.Qe2 b5 6.Bb3 Bc5 7.c3 0–0 8.d3 d6 9.h3 Ne7 10.Nbd2 Ng6 11.g3 Bb7 12.Ng5 d5 13.h4**

h6 **14.Nh3 Re8 15.h5 Ne7 16.g4 dxe4 17.dxe4 Nh7 18.Nf3 Nc8 19.g5 hxg5 20.Nhxg5 Nd6 21.h6 g6 22.Nxh7 Kxh7 23.Ng5+ Kg8 24.Qf3**

24.Be3 Bxe3 25.Qxe3 Qf6 26.0-0-0±

**24...Rf8 25.Qg2 Qf6 26.Rh3**

26.Be3 Bxe3 27.fxe3 Kh8 28.0-0-0±

**26...Nxe4 27.Nxe4**

27.Rf3 Nxg5 28.Rxf6 Bxg2 29.Rxg6+ Kh8 30.Rxg5∞

**27...Bxe4 28.Qxe4 Qxf2+ 29.Kd1 Rad8+ 30.Rd3 Kh7 31.Bd2 Rxd3 32.Qxd3 Qg1+**
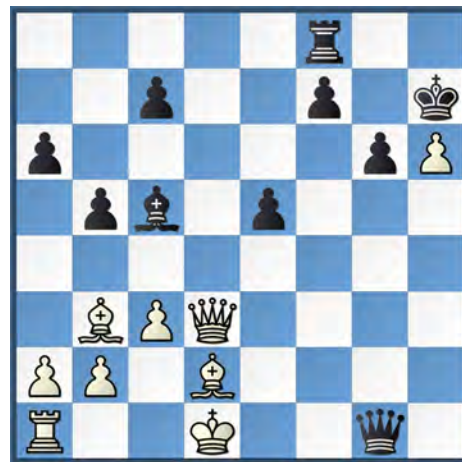


**33.Kc2**

33.Be1∞

**33...Qxa1 34.Bc1 Bd6 35.Qf3 f5 36.Qc6 f4 37.Qh1 Rf5 38.Be6 Rf6 39.Bd5 a5 40.Qh3 b4**

40...Rf5–+

**41.Qc8**

41.Qd7+ gives perpetual check: 41...Kxh6 42.Qh3+ Kg5 *(42...Kg7 43.Qd7+ Kf8? 44.Qh7* may actually win for White!*)* 43.Qg3+ Kf5 44.Qh3+

**41...bxc3?**

41...Rf5

**42.bxc3?**

42.Qd7+ still draws.

**42...Rf8 43.Qe6 Rb8 44.Bb3 Kxh6 45.Kd2 Rd8 46.Kc2 Ba3 0–1**

### Nick Raptis -
### David Wen [E01]
2013 Oregon Invitational
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**1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.g3 d5 4.Bg2 Bd6 5.0–0 0–0 6.d4 c6 7.Nc3 Nbd7 8.Qd3 dxc4 9.Qxc4 Qe7 10.Bg5 e5 11.Ne4 h6**

11...Bc7±

**12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.Rad1 Nb6**



**14.Qc1! Kg7 15.Nxd6 Qxd6 16.dxe5 Qe6 17.Rd6 Qc4 18.exf6+ Kh7 19.Qb1+ Kg8 20.Ne5 Qc5 21.Nxf7 1–0**

### Richard Gutman -
### Robert Herrera [A00]
2013 Oregon Invitational
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(R2), Feb. 9, 2013

**1.g3 c5 2.Bg2 Nc6 3.b3 e5 4.Bb2 Nge7 5.c4 g6 6.f4 Bg7 7.fxe5 Nxe5 8.Nc3 0–0 9.Nf3 Ng4 10.0–0 d5 11.cxd5 Nxd5 12.Qc1 Be6 13.Ne4 Bxb2 14.Qxb2 Bf5 15.Ne5 Re8 16.Nxg4 Bxg4 17.e3 Rc8 18.Rf2 Bf5 19.Nc3 Nb4 20.Rxf5 gxf5**

**21.Rf1 Qd7 22.a3 Nd3 23.Qa1 Re5 24.Qd1 b5 25.Bh3 Rc6 26.Qf3 b4 27.axb4 cxb4 28.Ne2 Qd5 29.Qxd5 Rxd5 30.Bg2 Rdc5 31.Bxc6 Rxc6 32.Nd4 Ra6 33.Rxf5 Ra2 34.Nf3 Rb2 35.Ra5 Rxb3 36.Rxa7 Rb1+ 37.Kg2 b3**



**38.Nd4**

38.Rd7 Nc5 (White is trying for 38... b2 39.Rxd3 Rg1+ *(39...Rc1 40.Rb3 b1Q 41.Rxb1 Rxb1)* 40.Nxg1 b1Q 41.Rd4) 39.Rd8+ *(39.Rc7 Na4 40.Ra7 Ra1–+)* 39...Kg7 40.d4 Na4 41.Ra8 Ra1 42.Nd2 b2 43.Kf3 Nc3 44.Rb8 b1Q 45.Nxb1 Nxb1∓

**38...b2 39.Nc2 Rc1 0–1**

**1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.f3 0–0 6.Be3 Nc6 7.Nge2 a6 8.Qd2 Rb8 9.Rc1 Bd7 10.Nd1 b5 11.c5 e6 12.g3 Ne8 13.Bg2 f5 14.Nf2 Rf7 15.0–0 Bf8 16.cxd6 Nxd6 17.b3 e5 18.dxe5 Nxe5 19.f4 Ng4 20.Nxg4 fxg4**

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**21.Nd4**

21.e5 Nf5 22.Bd5 wins material.

**21...c5 22.Ne2 Bc6 23.e5 Bxg2 24.Kxg2 Nf5 25.Kf2?**

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25.Qxd8 Nxe3+ 26.Kf2 Rxd8 27.Kxe3 Rfd7 28.Rc2 Rd3+ 29.Ke4 c4 30.bxc4 Bc5 31.f5∞

**25...Rd7 26.Qc2 Nxe3 27.Kxe3 Qb6 28.Nc3 Rbd8**

28...c4+ 29.Ke2 Rd3 30.Rf2 Ba3 31.Rd1 *(31.bxc4 Qe3+ 32.Kf1 Qxc1+-+)* 31...Qe3+ 32.Kf1 Rxc3-+

**29.Ke2 c4 30.bxc4 bxc4 31.Ne4 Kh8 32.Rb1**

32.Rf2 Rd3 33.Kf1 Qc6 34.Re2∓

**32...Qc6 33.Rfd1?**

33.Rfe1 Rd3 34.Kf1 Bc5 35.Qxc4 Rf3+ 36.Kg2 Rf2+ 37.Kh1 Rdd2 38.Qxc5 Rf1+ 39.Qg1 Rxg1+ 40.Kxg1 Rxa2∓

**33...Rd3! 34.Nf2**
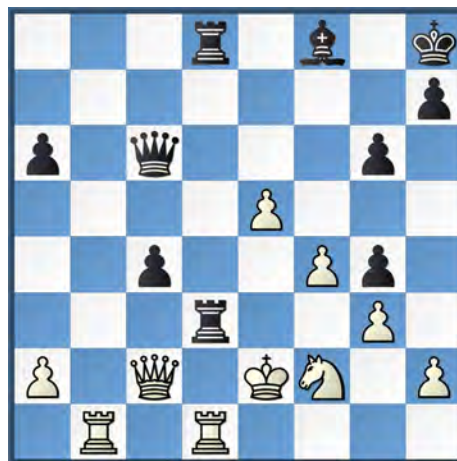


**34...Qf3+**

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34...Qg2!! 35.Qxc4 *(35.Rxd3 cxd3+-+; 35.Qc1 Bc5 36.Rf1 Qf3+ 37.Ke1 Re3+–+)* 35...Re3+! 36.Kxe3 Qf3#; 34...Re3+? 35.Kf1∞

**35.Kf1 Bc5 36.Rxd3 Rxd3 37.Qb2 Bxf2??**

37...Kg7! 38.Qb7+ **a)** 38.e6+ c3 39.Qe2 Qxe2+ 40.Kxe2 Rd2+-+; **b)** 38.Qe2 c3 39.Qxf3 *(39.Rb7+ Kh6)* 39...Rxf3; 38...Kh6 39.Qxf3 Rxf3 40.Rb2 Bxf2 41.Rxf2 c3–+

**38.Qb8+ Kg7**

38...Rd8 39.Qxd8+ Kg7 40.Qd7+ Kh6 41.Qd1+-

**39.Rb7+ 1–0**

**1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.Bc4 e6 4.0–0 Nf6 5.Re1 a6 6.Bb3 b5 7.c3 c4 8.Bc2 Be7 9.b3 d5 10.e5 Nfd7 11.d3 cxd3 12.Qxd3 Nc6 13.a4 bxa4 14.b4 Nb6 15.Nbd2 Qc7 16.Nf1 Bd7 17.Bf4 a5 18.bxa5 Nxa5 19.Ng5 Rc8 20.Qg3 Qxc3 21.Bd3 Nb3 22.Rad1 g6 23.Re3 Qb4 24.Rf3 Nd4 25.Bd2 Qb3**



**26.Rxf7 Bb5 27.Qf4 Bxd3 28.Rxe7+ Kxe7 29.Qf7+ Kd8 30.Nxh7 Rc7 31.Qf6+ Kd7 32.Qg7+ Kc6 33.Rc1 Nc4 34.Qxh8 Ne2+ 35.Kh1 Nxc1 36.Qe8+ Kb7 37.Qxe6 Nxd2 0–1**

## Carl Haessler - Corey Russell [A07]
2013 Oregon Invitational Championship Portland Chess Club (R3), Feb. 10, 2013

**1.Nf3 Nf6 2.g3 d5 3.Bg2 c6 4.0–0 Bg4 5.d3 e6 6.Nbd2 Be7 7.h3 Bh5 8.e4 0–0 9.g4 Bg6 10.Ne5 Nbd7 11.Nxg6 hxg6 12.f4 Qb6+ 13.Kh1 a5 14.Qe2 Rfe8 15.e5 Nh7 16.Nf3 Bc5 17.c3 Qa6 18.Qc2 a4 19.h4 Ba7 20.Ng5 Nxg5 21.hxg5 Nc5 22.Rf3 Kf8 23.Bf1 b5 24.d4 Ne4 25.Bd3 Ke7 26.Kg2 Rh8 27.Bxe4 dxe4 28.Rh3 Rxh3 29.Kxh3**

**29...b4 30.Be3 a3 31.cxb4 axb2 32.Qxb2 Qd3 33.Re1 Rd8 34.Qb1 Bxd4 35.Qxd3 exd3 36.Bd2 Ra8 37.Kg3 Rxa2 38.Rd1 Rc2 39.Kf3 Bc3 40.Ke3 Bxd2+ 41.Rxd2 Rc4 42.Rxd3 Rxb4 43.Ra3 Rb7 44.Ra8 c5 ½–½**

## Daniel Gay - Steven Deeth [B42]
2013 Oregon Invitational Championship Portland Chess Club (R3), Feb. 10, 2013

**1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 a6 5.Bd3 Bc5 6.Nb3 Be7 7.c4 d6 8.0–0 Nf6 9.Nc3 b6 10.Be3 Bb7 11.f4 Nbd7 12.Qe2 0–0 13.Rac1 Qc7 14.Rfd1 Rfe8 15.Nd2 Rac8 16.a3 Qb8 17.b4 h5 18.h3 Bd8 19.Qf2 Bc6 20.Nf3 e5 21.f5 b5 22.Ng5**

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**22...Qb7**
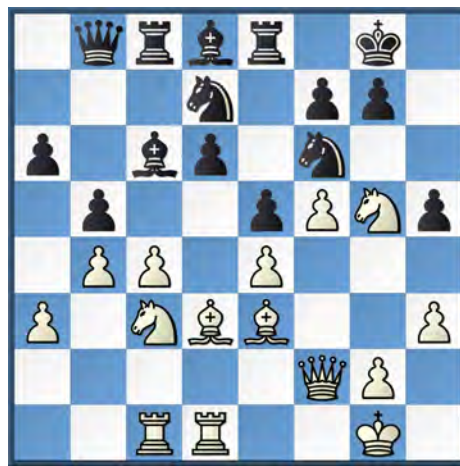


22...Bb6 23.Bxb6 Nxb6 24.cxb5 axb5 25.Nxb5 d5 26.Nd6 Qxd6 27.Qxb6±

**23.cxb5 axb5**

23...Bxb5 24.Bxb5 axb5 25.Rxd6±

**24.a4 Nb6 25.Nxb5 Bxb5 26.Bxb5 Rxc1 27.Rxc1 Rf8 28.Qc2 d5 29.Bc5 Be7 30.Bxe7 Qxe7 31.Qc5 Qd8 32.a5 Nbd7 33.Qe3 Qe7 34.Rb1 Rb8 35.Bxd7 Qxd7 36.a6 d4 37.Qd3 Qa7 38.b5 Nd7 39.Qc4 Nb6 40.Qe2 g6 41.fxg6 fxg6 42.Qa2+ Kg7 43.Rf1 1–0**

## Brian Esler - Richard Gutman [B67]
2013 Oregon Invitational Championship Portland Chess Club (R3), Feb. 10, 2013

**1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Bg5 e6 7.Qd2 a6 8.0–0–0 Bd7 9.f3 b5 10.g4 h5 11.gxh5 Rxh5 12.h4 Qb6 13.Be3 Qc7 14.Nxc6 Bxc6 15.Ne2 0–0–0 16.Nd4 d5 17.Nxc6 Qxc6 18.Qa5 Rd7 19.Rd3 b4 20.Rb3 Kb7 21.e5**

21.Rxb4+ Bxb4 22.Qxb4+=

**21...Rc7**

21...Rxe5 22.Rxb4+ Bxb4 23.Qxb4+ Ka8 (*23...Kc7 24.Bf4 Qd6 25.Qc3++-*) 24.Qf8+ Kb7 25.Qb4+=

**22.Bd3**

22.Qxa6+! Qxa6 23.Bxa6+ Kxa6

24.exf6=

**22...Nd7 23.Bd4**

23.f4? d4

**23...Nxe5 24.Bxe5 Rxe5 25.f4?! Re2 26.c3 Re3 27.Rd1 d4 28.Kd2?**
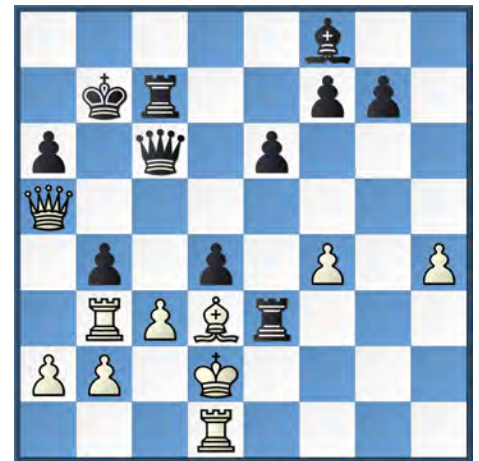


28.Kb1∓

**28...Rxd3+! 29.Kxd3 Qc4+?!**

29...dxc3 30.bxc3 (*30.Rxb4+ Ka7*) 30...Rd7+ 31.Kc2 Qe4+ 32.Kc1 Qe3+ 33.Kc2 Qe2+–+

**30.Kd2?**

30.Kc2 Qe2+ (*30...dxc3 31.bxc3 Qxf4 32.Rd4 Qxd4 33.Qxc7+ Kxc7 34.cxd4 Kc6≅*) 31.Kc1 dxc3 32.bxc3 Bc5 33.Rxb4+ Kc8 (*33...Bxb4 34.Qxb4+=*) 34.Rbd4 Bxd4 35.Rxd4∓

**30...dxc3+ 31.Ke1 Qe4+ 32.Kf1 Qxf4+ 33.Kg1 Qg4+ 0–1**

## Robert Herrera - Nick Raptis [E09]
2013 Oregon Invitational Championship Portland Chess Club (R3), Feb. 10, 2013

**1.c4 e6 2.g3 d5 3.Bg2 Nf6 4.Nf3 Be7 5.0–0 0–0 6.d4 c6 7.Qc2 Nbd7 8.Nbd2 b6 9.e4 Bb7 10.Re1 Rc8 11.e5 Ne8 12.h4 c5 13.b3 cxd4 14.Nxd4 Qc7 15.Bb2 dxc4 16.Qxc4 Bxg2 17.Qxc7 Nxc7 18.Kxg2 Nd5 19.Nc4 Nc5 20.Red1 a6**

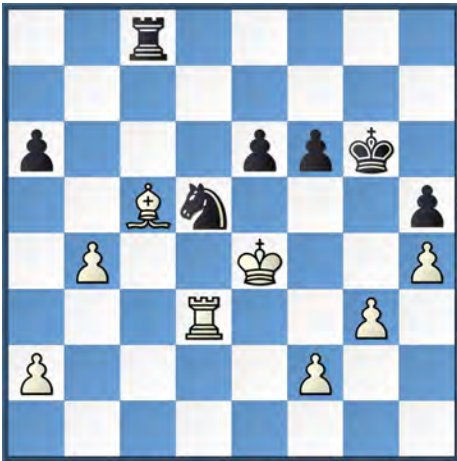20...Na4! 21.Ba3 Bxa3 22.Nxa3 Nac3 23.Rdc1 Nb4 24.Nab5 Nxb5 25.Nxb5=

**21.Nf5 Rc7 22.Nxe7+ Rxe7 23.Ba3 Rc7 24.Rac1 Rfc8**



**25.Nxb6!**

25.Rxd5! exd5 *(25...Nxb3 26.Rcd1 exd5 27.Nxb6 Na5 28.Nxc8 Rxc8 29.Rxd5±)* 26.Nxb6 Nd3 27.Rd1 Nxe5 28.Bd6 Rc6 29.Nxc8 Rxc8 30.Bxe5+-

**25...Nxb6 26.Rxc5 Rxc5 27.Bxc5 Nd5 28.b4 f6 29.exf6 gxf6 30.Rd3 Kf7 31.Kf3 Kg6 32.Ke4 h5**



**33.Rxd5 exd5+ 34.Kxd5 Kf7 35.a4 Ke8 36.Kd6 Rd8+ 37.Kc6 Rd2 38.Kb6 Ra2 39.a5 Kd7 40.Kxa6 Kc6 41.Bd4 Kd5 42.Be3 Kc4 43.b5 Kb4 44.Kb6 Kc4 45.Kc6 Rxa5 46.b6 1–0**

David Wen -
Sean Tobin [E61]

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**1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.Nc3 0–0 5.e3 d6 6.Be2 Nc6 7.0–0 a6 8.Qc2 e5 9.dxe5 dxe5 10.Rd1 Nd7 11.Rb1 f5 12.b3 g5 13.Ba3 Rf7 14.Rd2 g4 15.Ne1 Qh4 16.g3 Qg5 17.Nd5 Nf8 18.Ng2 Be6 19.Rf1 Ng6 20.Bb2 h5 21.f4 gxf3 22.Rxf3 e4 23.Rf2 Bxd5 24.cxd5 Nce5 25.Nf4 h4 26.Bh5**
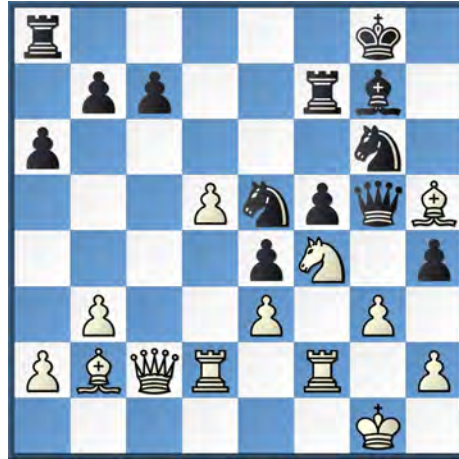


**26...hxg3**

26...Re7 27.Bxg6 Nxg6 28.Ne6 Rxe6 29.dxe6 hxg3 30.hxg3 Qxg3+ 31.Kf1±

**27.Rg2 Re7 28.Rxg3 Nxf4 29.Rxg5 Nh3+ 30.Kh1 Nxg5 31.Rg2 Ngf3 32.Bxf3 exf3 33.Rg3 f2 34.Qxf2 Nd3 35.Qg2 Nxb2 36.Qxb2 Rf8 37.Qd4 Rff7 38.d6 cxd6 39.Qxd6 Rd7 40.Qb8+ Rf8 41.Qf4 Rff7 42.Qb8+ Rf8 43.Qe5 Rdf7 44.Qe6+-**
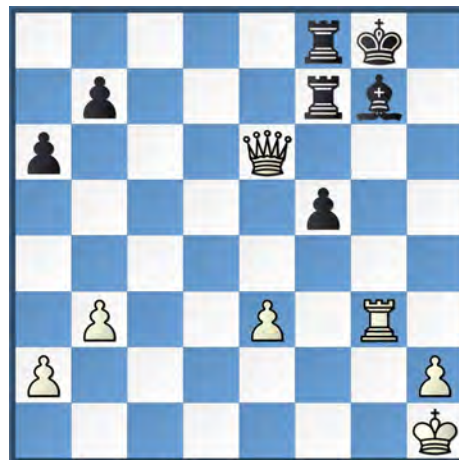


44.Qe6 Rd8 *(44...Kh7 45.Rh3+ Kg8 46.Rh5)* 45.Rg5 Rdd7 46.Rxf5 Rde7 47.Qc8+ Kh7 48.Rxf7 Rxf7 49.Qe6

½–½

Corey Russell -
David Wen [D26]
2013 Oregon Invitational
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**1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.c4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e6 6.Nf3 dxc4 7.Bxc4 Bb4 8.0–0 Bxc3 9.bxc3 0–0 10.Re1 Nc6 11.Bg5 h6 12.Bh4 Bd7 13.Qd2 Rc8 14.Bd3 Re8**



**15.Re5!?**

15.Rab1±

**15...Nxe5 16.dxe5 Qa5 17.exf6 Qxc3 18.Qxc3 Rxc3 19.Be4**

19.Ne5±

**19...Bc6 20.Re1**

20.Bxc6

**20...Bxe4 21.Rxe4 Rc1+ 22.Ne1 Rec8 23.Bg3 R8c4 24.Re3 Ra4 25.Be5 g5 26.Kf1 Rxa2 27.Rd3 Ra5 28.Bc3 Rd5 29.Rh3**

29.Ke2 Rxd3 30.Kxd3∞

**29...Kh7 30.g4 a5 31.Ke2 a4 0–1**

Sean Tobin -
Robert Herrera [B22]

## Column 1

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**1.e4 c5 2.c3 e6 3.d4 d5 4.exd5 exd5 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Be2 Bd6 7.0–0 Nge7 8.Na3 cxd4 9.Nxd4 0–0 10.Nac2 Ng6 11.f4 Re8 12.Bd3 Qh4 13.g3 Qh3 14.Qf3 Bg4 15.Qxd5 Nxd4 16.Nxd4 Rad8 17.Bxg6 hxg6 18.Qg2 Qh5 19.Qf2 Bh3 20.Re1 Rxe1+ 21.Qxe1 Qd5 22.Qf2 Re8 23.Bd2 Bc5 24.b4 Bxd4 25.cxd4 Re4 26.Bc3 Re3 27.Rc1 Rf3**

27...Qe4 28.Re1 Rxe1+ 29.Bxe1 Be6⩲⩲

**28.Qe2 Bg4 29.Qg2 Be6 30.Qe2 Bd7 31.Ba1 Bc6 32.Rc5**
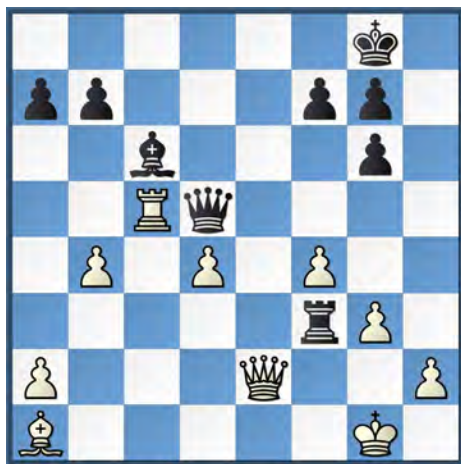
**32...Qd7**

32...Re3! 33.Rxd5 Rxe2 34.Rd8+ Kh7 35.Bc3 Rg2+ 36.Kf1 Rc2 37.Be1 Bg2+ 38.Kg1 Bh3 39.d5 Rg2+ 40.Kh1 Re2 41.Bc3 Rc2 42.Bd4 Rc1+ 43.Bg1 Rc2 44.Bxa7 Rc1+ 45.Bg1 Rc2=

**33.d5 Bxd5 34.Qe5 f6 35.Qxd5+ Qxd5 36.Rxd5 Re3 37.Kf2 Ra3 38.Rd2 Ra4 39.Bc3 Ra6 40.Rd8+ Kh7 41.Rd2 1–0**

**Nick Raptis -
Brian Esler [E70]**
2013 Oregon Invitational
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**1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4**

## Column 2

**d6 5.Bd3 0–0 6.Nge2 e5 7.d5 Nbd7 8.Bd2 Nc5 9.Bc2 a5 10.Be3 b6 11.f3 Ba6 12.b3 Nh5 13.Qd2 Nf4 14.0–0 Nxe2+ 15.Qxe2 f5 16.a3 f4 17.Bf2 g5 18.b4 Nd7 19.Bd3 h5 20.Rfc1 Bc8**

**21.c5 bxc5 22.bxc5 Nxc5 23.Bxc5 dxc5 24.Na4 g4 25.Nxc5 Bh6 26.Ba6 gxf3 27.gxf3 Bh3 28.Kh1 Kh8 29.Bb7 Rb8 30.Qa6 Qd6 31.Qxa5 Rg8 32.Rg1 Qb6**

**33.Qc3 Qf6 34.Bc6 Rxg1+ 35.Rxg1 Rg8 36.Rxg8+ Kxg8 37.Nd3 Qg5 38.Qd2 Bf8 39.a4 Bf1 40.Bb5 h4 41.Qf2 Bxd3 42.Bxd3 h3 43.Qg1 Qxg1+ 44.Kxg1 Kf7 45.Bf1 Kg6 46.Bxh3 Bb4 47.Bd7 Kg5 48.Kf2 Bc5+ 49.Ke2 Bg1 50.h3 1–0**

**Richard Gutman -
Daniel Gay [B43]**
2013 Oregon Invitational
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**1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 a6 3.Nge2 d6 4.g3**

## Column 3

**b5 5.Bg2 Bb7 6.0–0 e6 7.d4 cxd4 8.Nxd4 Qc7 9.a3 Nd7 10.f4 Ngf6 11.g4 h6 12.g5 hxg5 13.fxg5 d5**

**14.e5**

14.Bf4 Bd6 15.Bxd6 Qxd6 16.gxf6 Qxh2+ 17.Kf2 dxe4→; 14.gxf6 Qxh2+ 15.Kf2 dxe4 16.fxg7 Bxg7→

**14...Ne4 15.Nxe4 dxe4 16.g6 Nxe5 17.gxf7+ Nxf7 18.Qg4 Qxh2+ 19.Kf2 Qh4+**

[19...Bd5 20.Rh1 *(20.Nxe6 Ne5 21.Nc7+ Kd8 22.Qg5+ Be7 23.Qxg7 Rg8–+)* 20...Qe5 21.Be3–+

**20.Qxh4 Rxh4 21.Nxe6 Rc8 22.Nxf8 Kxf8 23.c3 Rc5 24.Be3 Rf5+ 25.Kg3 Rhh5 26.Bh3 Rf3+ 27.Rxf3 exf3 28.Bg4 Re5 29.Re1 Nd6 30.Bxf3 Bxf3 31.Kxf3 Nc4 32.Kf4**
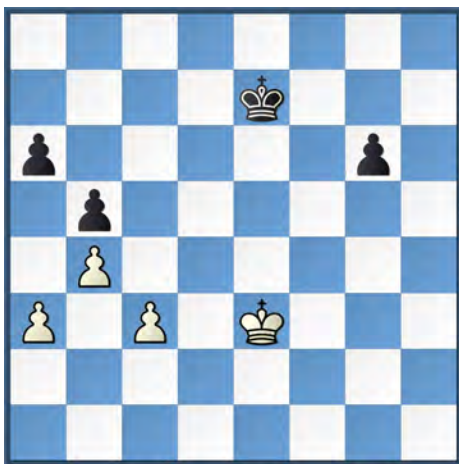
32.b3 Nxa3 33.Rc1=

**32...Rxe3?!**

32...g5+ 33.Kf3 Nxb2∓

**33.Rxe3 Nxe3 34.Kxe3 Ke7 35.b4**

35.c4 bxc4 36.Kd4 g5 37.Kxc4=

**35...g6**

[Diagram top of next page]

**36.Kf3?**

36.Kd4 g5 37.c4=

**36...Ke6 37.Kg4 Kd5 0–1**

**Steven Deeth -
Carl Haessler [A40]**
2013 Oregon Invitational
Championship Portland Chess Club
(R4), Feb. 10, 2013

**1.d4 b5 2.e4 Bb7 3.f3 e6 4.Nh3**

4.Bxb5±

**4...a6 5.Bd3 c5 6.c3 Nc6 7.Be3 cxd4 8.cxd4 Qb6 9.0–0 Nxd4 10.Bf2 Bc5 11.Nd2 Nc6 12.a4 Nge7 13.Nb3 Bxf2+ 14.Rxf2 0–0 15.Kh1 d5 16.exd5 Nxd5 17.a5 Qd8 18.Rd2 Qe7 19.Rc1 Ndb4 20.Bb1 Rad8 21.Qe1 Rxd2 22.Nxd2**
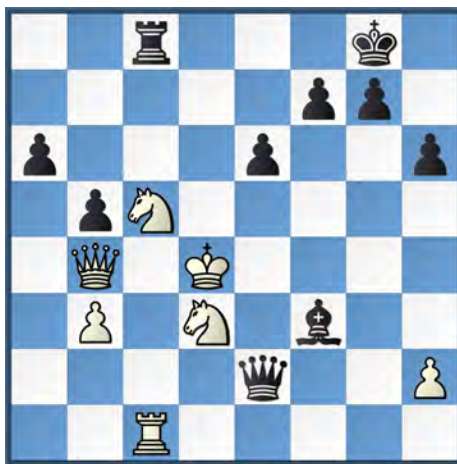
22.Qxd2∓

**22...Nxa5 23.Ne4 Nc4 24.Nhg5 h6 25.Nh3 Rd8**

25...Nxb2–+ 26.Nf6+ Kh8

**26.b3 Na3 27.Nc5 Nxb1 28.Qxb4 Rc8 29.Nf2 Nd2 30.Nfd3 Nxf3 31.gxf3 Bxf3+ 32.Kg1 Qg5+ 33.Kf2 Qg2+ 34.Ke3 Qe2+ 35.Kd4**

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**35...f6**

35...e5+! 36.Kc3 (*36.Nxe5 Qf2+ 37.Kd3 Be2+ 38.Ke4 Qh4+ 39.Ke3 Qxb4–+*) 36...Be4 37.Nxe5 (*37.Rc2 Qxd3+*) 37...a5!–+

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# Washington Games

**Nathan Lee -
Joshua Sinanan [B40]**
WA Championship Seattle
(R1), Feb. 9, 2013

**1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.Qe2 b6 4.g3 Ba6 5.d3 Nc6 6.Bg2 Nge7 7.0–0 Ng6**



*Back row (l-r): Tian Sang, Igor Ummel, Costin Cozianu, Curt Collyer, Josh Sinanan. Front row (l-r): Samir Sen, Roland Feng, Nathan Lee, David Golub, Ignacio Perez. Photo credit: Xiang He.*

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**36.Re1 e5+ 37.Kc3 Qxh2 38.Qa5 e4 39.Qxa6 Qc7 40.Qe6+ Kh8 41.Rxe4 Bxe4 42.Qxe4 Qa5+ 43.b4 Qa1+ 44.Kb3 Ra8 45.Nb2 Ra3+ 46.Kc2 Qf1 47.Ncd3 f5 48.Qe8+ Kh7 49.Qxb5 Qe2+ 50.Kb1 Qe4 51.Kc2 f4 52.Qc5 Kg6 53.Qg1+ Kf7 54.Qg4 g5 55.Qd7+ Kg6 56.b5 Kh5 57.Qh3+ Kg6 58.Qd7 Kh5 59.Qh3+ Kg6 ½–½**

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**8.c4 Be7 9.Nc3 0–0 10.Be3 Rc8 11.Ne1 Nd4 12.Qd2 Ne5 13.Bxd4 cxd4 14.Ne2 b5 15.cxb5 Bxb5 16.Nxd4 Ba6 17.Ndf3 Ng4 18.Nc2 Qb6 19.b4 Bf6 20.Rab1 Bc3 21.Qe2 Qb5 22.Rfd1 Qa4 23.Rb3 Bf6 24.Nfe1**
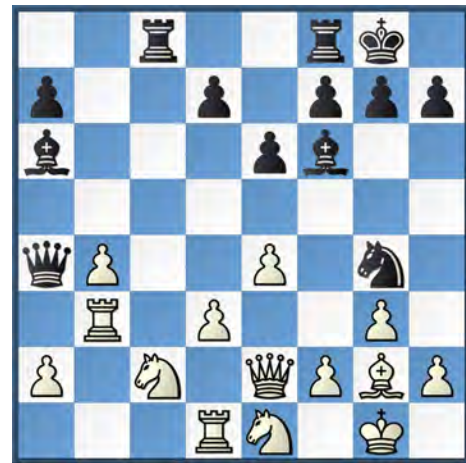


**24...Rxc2 25.Nxc2 Rc8 26.Ne1 h5 27.h3 Ne5 28.Qd2 Nc6 29.Nf3 Nd4 30.Nxd4 Bxd4 31.b5 Bxb5 32.Rb4 Bc3 33.Rxa4 Bxd2 34.Rxa7 Rc2 35.Bf1 h4 36.d4 Bxf1 37.Kxf1 hxg3 38.fxg3 Be3 39.Rd3 Bf2 40.Ra8+ Kh7 41.a4 1–0**

**Roland Feng -
Curt Collyer [A85]**
WA Championship Seattle
(R1), Feb. 9, 2013

**1.d4 e6 2.c4 f5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Bb4 5.e3 Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 0–0 7.Bd3 d6 8.Ne2 e5 9.c5 h6 10.Qb3+ Kh8 11.Bxf6 Qxf6 12.cxd6 cxd6 13.0–0**

Nc6 14.f4 e4 15.Bb5 Na5 16.Qa3 b6 17.Ng3 Rd8 18.Rfd1 d5 19.Rac1 Be6 20.Ba6 Qf7 21.Nf1 Bc8 22.Be2 Bb7 23.Nd2 Rac8 24.Nb3 Nc4 25.Bxc4 dxc4 26.Nd2 Bc6 27.Qb4 Be8 28.Nf1 Rd5 29.Qb2 Qe7 30.h3 Bf7 31.Qf2 Be6 32.Qe2 Qd7 33.Nh2 Kh7 34.Rf1 Ra5 35.g4 g6 36.Kh1 Ra3 37.Rc2 Qa4 38.Rg1 Qd7 39.Nf1 Qe7 40.Qe1 Ra5 41.Rcg2 Rd8 42.Kh2 fxg4 43.hxg4 Rdd5 44.f5 Bf7 45.Kh1 b5 46.Rh2 gxf5 47.g5 Ra6 48.Qg3 Rg6 49.Rxh6+ Kg7 50.Qh4 Kf8 51.Rxg6 Bxg6 52.Ng3 Qh7 53.Qxh7 Bxh7 54.Nh5 Rd6 55.Nf4 Ra6 56.Rg2 Ra3 57.Rc2 Bg8
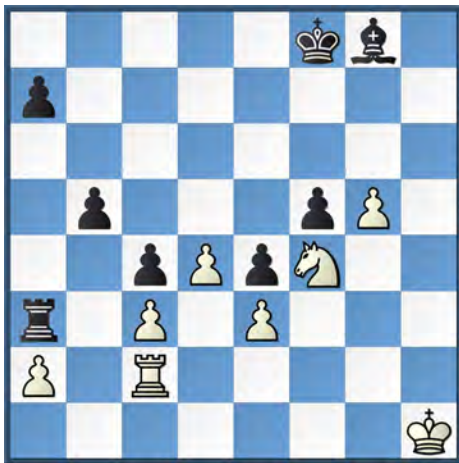


58.d5= Ke7 59.Kg2 a5 60.Kf2 Kd6 61.g6 Kc5 62.Rd2 Kd6 63.Nh5 b4 64.Nf6 Rxc3 65.Nxg8 f4 66.Nf6 fxe3+ 67.Ke2 exd2 68.Nxe4+ Kxd5 69.g7 Kxe4 70.g8Q Kd4 71.Qd8+ Ke4 72.Qe7+ Kd4 73.Qh4+ Kc5 74.Qg5+ Kb6 75.Qxd2
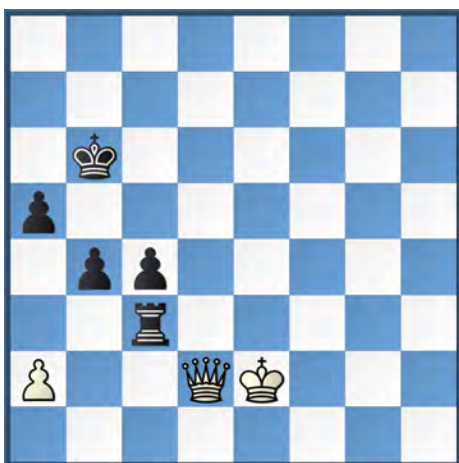


75...Ra3 76.Qd6+ Kb5 77.Qd5+

Kb6 78.Qxc4 Kb7 79.Qb5+ Kc7 80.Kd2 Kd6 81.Qb6+ Kd7 82.Kc2 Rc3+ 83.Kb1 Ra3 84.Kb2 Ke7 85.Qc6 Kf7 86.Qd6 Kg7 87.Qe6 Kf8 88.Qd7 Kg8 89.Qe7 Kh8 90.Qf7 Rc3 91.Qh5+ Kg7 92.Qxa5 1–0

**Ignacio Perez -
David Golub [C18]**
WA Championship Seattle
(R1), Feb. 9, 2013

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e5 c5 5.a3 Ba5 6.b4 cxd4 7.Nb5 Bc7 8.f4 Bd7 9.Nxc7+ Qxc7 10.Nf3 Ba4 11.Ra2 a6 12.Nxd4 Ne7 13.Be3 Nbc6 14.Bd3 Nxd4 15.Bxd4 Bb5 16.Bc5 b6 17.Bf2 g5 18.0–0 gxf4 19.Qh5 Ng6 20.Bd4 0–0 21.a4 Bxd3 22.cxd3 f6 23.exf6 e5 24.Bf2 d4 25.h4 Rxf6 26.Qg5 Kf7 27.h5 Nf8 28.Bxd4 Nd7 29.Ba1 Rg8 30.Qh4 f3 31.Qe4 Rxg2+

31...fxg2 32.Rxf6+ Nxf6 33.Qe1 Qc8∓

32.Rxg2 fxg2 33.Qxh7+ Ke6
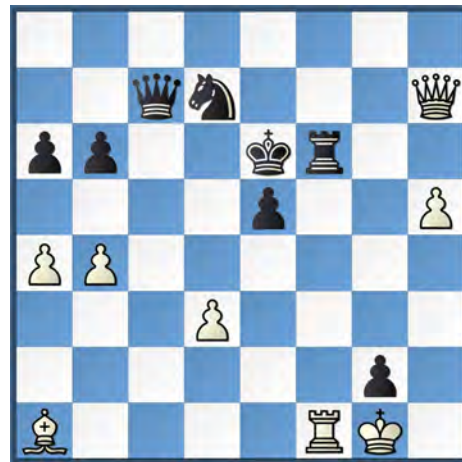


34.Rxf6+

34.Qg8+ Ke7 (34...Kd6 35.Rxf6+ Nxf6 36.Bxe5+ Kxe5 37.Qg3+) 35.Qg7+ Ke8 (35...Kd8 36.Rxf6) 36.Rxf6 Qc1+ 37.Kxg2 Nxf6 38.Qxf6 Qxa1 39.Qe6+ Kf8 40.h6+-

34...Kxf6 35.Kxg2 Qc2+ 36.Kh3 Qxa4 37.Bc3 Qb5 38.Bd2 Qd5 39.Qg6+ Ke7 40.Bg5+ Kf8 41.h6 Qf3+ 42.Kh4 Qf2+ 43.Kg4 Qg2+ 44.Kh4 ½–½

**Costin Cozianu -
Igor Ummel [A62]**
WA Championship Seattle
(R1), Feb. 9, 2013

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 e6 4.Nc3 exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.g3 g6 7.Bg2 Bg7 8.Nf3 0–0 9.0–0 b6 10.Nd2 Ba6 11.a4 Nbd7 12.Nb5 Bxb5 13.axb5 a5 14.bxa6 b5 15.Qb3 Qb6 16.a7 Rfc8 17.g4 Nxg4 18.Ne4 Ngf6 19.Ng5 Ne5 20.Qh3 Rc7 21.Bf4 h6



22.Ne6 fxe6 23.Bxe5 Ne8

23...dxe5 24.d6 Rb7 25.Qxe6+ Kh7 26.Bxb7 Qxb7∞

24.Qxe6+ Kh7 25.Be4 Bxe5 26.Bxg6+ Kg7 27.Bxe8 Rcxa7 28.Rxa7+ Qxa7 29.Kh1 Kf8 30.Rg1 Qh7 31.Bxb5

31.Bh5 Rd8 32.Rg3 Bxg3 33.Qf6+ Kg8 34.Qxd8+ Kg7 35.Qe7++-

31...c4 32.f3 h5 33.Bxc4 Re8 34.Qg6 Qxg6 35.Rxg6 Kf7 36.Re6 Rg8 37.Rxe5 1–0

**Tian Sang - Samir Sen [B22]**
WA Championship Seattle
(R1), Feb. 9, 2013

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.c3 Nf6 4.e5 Nd5 5.d4 cxd4 6.Bc4 Nb6 7.Bb3 d6 8.exd6 Qxd6 9.0–0? Be6 10.Bxe6 Qxe6 11.Nxd4 Nxd4 12.Qxd4 Rd8 13.Qe3 Qc6 14.Nd2 e6 15.Qg3 Qd6 16.Qxd6 Bxd6 17.Ne4 Nd5 18.c4 Nb4 19.Bd2 Be7 20.Bc3 f6 21.a3 Nc6 22.Rfd1 Kf7 23.Kf1 f5 24.Ng3

Bf6 25.Bxf6 Kxf6 26.b4 Rxd1+
27.Rxd1 Rd8 28.Rxd8 Nxd8 29.Ke2
Ke5 30.Kd3 Nc6 31.Ne2 g5 32.c5
Kf6 33.b5 Nd8 34.Kd4 a6



35.c6 axb5 36.c7 Nc6+ 37.Kc5 Ne7
38.Kb6 Ke5 39.Kxb7 Ke4 40.Nc3+
Kd3 41.Nxb5 e5 42.a4 e4 43.Nd6
Ke2 44.Kb8 Kxf2 45.Nxf5 e3
46.Nxe3 Kxe3 47.a5 Nc6+ 48.Ka8
Ne7 49.Kb7 1–0

### Nathan Lee - Roland Feng [C00]
WA Championship Seattle
(R2), Feb. 9, 2013

1.e4 e6 2.Qe2 Nf6 3.Nf3 d5 4.d3 c5
5.g3 Nc6 6.Bg2 Be7 7.0–0 b6 8.e5
Nd7 9.c4 d4 10.h4 Bb7 11.Na3 a6
12.Bd2 Qc7 13.Rfe1 h6 14.Rab1
0–0–0 15.Nc2 b5 16.b4 bxc4 17.dxc4
d3 18.Qxd3 Ndxe5 19.Qe2 Nd3



20.b5 Nxe1 21.Qxe1 Nb4 22.Nxb4
cxb4 23.Bxb4 Bxb4 24.Qxb4 a5
25.Qa3 Be4 26.b6 Qd6 27.c5 Qd3
28.Rb3 Qd1+ 29.Kh2 Rd3 30.Rxd3
Qxd3 31.Qxa5 Bxf3 32.Qa7 Kd8

33.Qc7+ Ke8 34.b7 Bxb7 35.Qxb7
g5 36.c6 Kf8 37.c7 Kg7 38.Qb2+
f6 39.Qb7 Qd7 40.c8Q Rxc8
41.Qxd7+ 1–0

### Curt Collyer -
### Ignacio Perez [B07]
WA Championship Seattle
(R2), Feb. 9, 2013

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nc3 g6 3.e4 d6 4.Bg5
Bg7 5.e5 Nfd7 6.exd6 cxd6 7.Qd2
h6 8.Be3 Nc6 9.Nf3 Nf6 10.d5
Nb8 11.h3 Nbd7 12.Be2 a6 13.a4
b6 14.0–0? Bb7 15.Rfe1 Rc8 16.Bf1
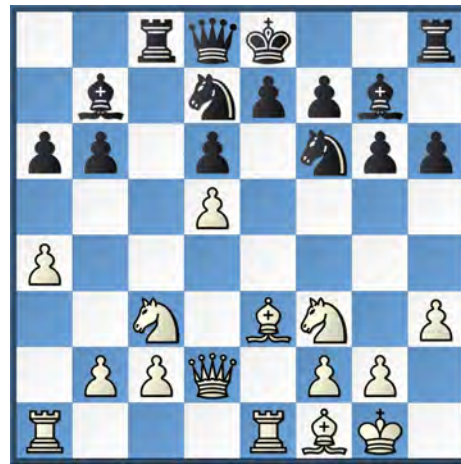


16...Rxc3 17.Qxc3 Bxd5 18.Bd4±
Bb7 19.Qa3 0–0? 20.Nd2 e5 21.Bc3
Qc7 22.a5 b5 23.Bb4 Nc5 24.c4
bxc4 25.Rac1 Nd5 26.Bxc5 dxc5
27.Rxc4 Nf4 28.Rxc5 Qd8 29.Ne4
Qa8 30.f3 Rd8 31.Rc2 f5 32.Qe7
fxe4 33.Rc7 Nh5 34.Rxb7 exf3
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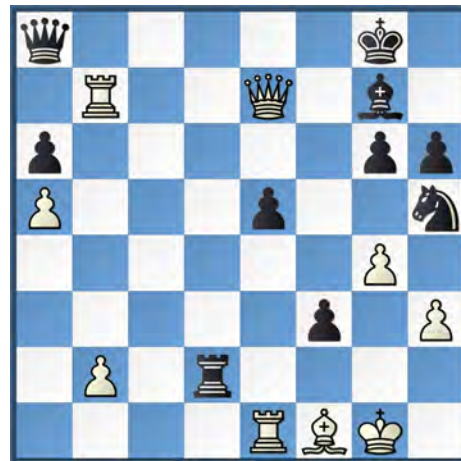


**36.gxh5??**

36.Bc4+ Kh7 37.gxh5 f2+ 38.Kf1+–

36...f2+ 37.Kh1 Qxb7+ 38.Qxb7
fxe1Q 0–1

### David Golub -
### Costin Cozianu [C11]
WA Championship Seattle
(R2), Feb. 9, 2013

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nc3 e6 3.e4 d5 4.e5
Nfd7 5.Nce2 b6 6.Nf4 Ba6 7.Bxa6
Nxa6 8.Qe2 Qc8 9.Nf3 Be7 10.0–
0? c6 11.Be3 Nc7 12.c4 Qa6 13.Rfc1
Rc8 14.Nd2 0–0? 15.Qg4 Kh8
16.Nh5 Rg8 17.Qf3 f5 18.exf6 Nxf6
19.Nf4 Bd6 20.Qh3 Rge8 21.Nf3
Bxf4 22.Bxf4 dxc4 23.Ne5 Ncd5
24.Bg3 Ne4 25.Nxc4 b5 26.Nd6
Nxd6 27.Bxd6 Qb7 28.Re1 Qf7
29.Re4 Qf5 30.Rae1 Qxh3 31.gxh3
Kg8 32.Rxe6 Kf7 33.R6e5 Rxe5
34.dxe5 Ke6 ½–½

### Igor Ummel -
### Tian Sang [C68]
WA Championship Seattle
(R2), Feb. 9, 2013

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6
4.Bxc6 dxc6 5.Nc3 f6 6.0–0? Bg4
7.h3 Bh5 8.d3 Qd7 9.Nxe5 Bxd1
10.Nxd7 Bxc2 11.Nxf8 Kxf8 12.d4
Bd3 13.Rd1 Bc4 14.Bf4 Rc8 15.d5
cxd5 16.Nxd5 Ne7 17.Nxc7 Ng6
18.Bg3 h5 19.Rd4 Bf7 20.Rb4 h4
21.Bd6+ Kg8 22.Rxb7 Rh5 23.Ra7
a5 24.b3 Ne5 25.Rd1 Nc6 26.Ra6
Nb4 27.Bxb4 axb4 28.Rd7 Rc5
29.Ra7 Rc1+ 30.Kh2 Rf1 31.f3 Ra1
32.f4 Bxb3 33.Rb7 Bxa2 34.Rxb4
Bf7 35.Rb7 Re1 36.Re7 Kf8 37.Rd7
½–½

### Joshua Sinanan -
### Samir Sen [D15]
WA Championship Seattle
(R2), Feb. 9, 2013

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3
a6 5.c5 Nbd7 6.g3 g6 7.Bg2 Bg7
8.0–0? 0–0? 9.Qc2 Qe8 10.Bf4 Nh5
11.Bc7 f5 12.b4 h6 13.a4 e5 14.dxe5
Nxe5 15.Bxe5 Bxe5 16.Nxe5 Qxe5
17.e3 Nf6 18.Ne2 Bd7 19.Nd4 Ne4
20.f4 Qg7 21.Bxe4 fxe4 22.Qc3 g5
23.fxg5 hxg5 24.Rxf8+ Rxf8 25.Rf1
Rxf1+ 26.Kxf1 Qf6+ 27.Kg2 Bg4

28.Qd2 Bf3+ 29.Kg1 Kh7 30.Qf2 Kg6 31.h3 g4 32.h4 Qe5 33.Kh2 Qf6 34.Qd2 Kh6 35.Kg1 Qe5 36.Kf2 Qf6 37.Ke1 Qe5 38.Qf2 Kg6 39.Kd2 Kf6 40.Qe1 Kg6 41.Kc2 Kf7 42.Kb3 Kg6 43.Ka3 Qc7 44.Kb3 Qe5 45.Qf2 Bd1+ 46.Ka3 Bf3 47.Qh2 Kh5 48.Qb2

**48...Kg6**

48...Qxg3 49.Ne6+-

**49.b5 axb5 50.axb5 Qxg3 51.bxc6 bxc6 52.Qb7 Qe1 53.Qxc6+ Kh5 54.Qxd5+ Kxh4 55.Nf5+ Kh3 56.c6 Qc3+ 57.Ka4 Kg2 58.Kb5 Qd3+ 59.Kc5 Qc3+ 60.Kd6 Kf2 61.Qe5 Qxe5+ 62.Kxe5 g3 63.c7 g2 64.c8Q g1Q 65.Qc2+ Kf1 66.Qc1+ Kg2 67.Qxg1+ Kxg1 68.Kf4 Kf2 69.Ng3 Bd1 70.Nxe4+ ½–½**

### Ignacio Perez - Nathan Lee [B69]
WA Championship Seattle
(R3), Feb. 10, 2013

**1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Bg5 e6 7.Qd2 Be7 8.0–0–0 a6 9.f4 Bd7 10.Nf3 b5 11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.f5 b4 13.Ne2 e5 14.Ng3 Qa5 15.Bc4 Qc5 16.Bd5 a5 17.Qh6 a4 18.Nh5**

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**18...b3 19.Rd2 bxa2 20.Bxa2 a3 21.Nxf6+ Kd8**

21...Bxf6 22.Qxf6 axb2+ 23.Kb1 Rf8 24.Qxd6 Qa7 25.Qxd7+ Qxd7

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26.Rxd7 Kxd7 27.Rd1+ Kc7 28.Kxb2 f6∞

**22.Nxd7 axb2+ 23.Kd1 Rxa2**

23...Qb5–+

**24.Nxc5 b1Q+ 25.Ke2 Qb5+**

25...Qxh1 26.Rxd6+ Ke8 27.Rxc6 Qxg2+ 28.Ke3 Ra3+ 29.Nd3∞

**26.Nd3 Qc4 27.Qe3 Rxc2 28.Rhd1 Kc7 29.Rxc2 Qxc2+ 30.Rd2 Qc4 31.Rb2 Qa6 32.Kf2 Rb8 33.Rxb8 Kxb8 34.g4 Bd8 35.Qd2 Bb6+ 36.Kg2 Qc4 37.Nf2 Nd4 38.Nxd4 Bxd4 39.Nd3 Bb6 40.Qe2 d5 41.Kf3 f6 ½–½**

### Roland Feng - Joshua Sinanan [A53]
WA Championship Seattle
(R3), Feb. 10, 2013

**1.d4 d6 2.Nf3 Bg4 3.e3 Nd7 4.h3 Bh5 5.c4 e5 6.Nc3 Ngf6 7.Be2 Be7 8.b3 c6 9.Bb2 0–0 10.0–0 e4 11.Nd2 Bg6 12.f4 exf3 13.Bxf3 Re8 14.Qe2 Bf8 15.Qf2 Nb6 16.e4 a5 17.Rad1 Nfd7 18.Kh1 a4 19.b4 a3 20.Ba1 Na4 21.c5 Qc7 22.h4 f6 23.h5 Bf7 24.h6 g6 25.Bg4 Be6 26.Bxe6+ Rxe6 27.Nxa4 Rxa4 28.d5 Re8 29.cxd6 Qd8 30.dxc6 bxc6 31.e5 Rxb4 32.Rde1 f5 33.Nf3 Bxh6 34.e6 Nf8 35.e7 Qxd6 36.exf8Q+ Rxf8 37.Bd4 Rc4 38.Be5 Qd3 39.Rd1 Qe3 40.Qxe3 Bxe3 41.Rd3 Rc1 42.Rxc1 Bxc1 43.Rc3 Bb2 44.Rb3 Bxe5 45.Nxe5 Ra8 46.Nxc6 Kf7 47.Re3 Kf6 48.Kh2 f4 49.Rb3 Ra4**

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50.Nb4 g5 51.Kg1 h5 52.Kf2 Ke5 53.Nc2 Ke4 54.Ne1

54.Rxa3

**54...g4 55.Nc2 h4 56.Rc3 Kd5 57.Nxa3 Ra8 58.Rb3 Ke4 59.Kg1 Rd8 60.Rb4+ Kf5 61.Rb5+ Ke4 62.Rb4+ Kf5±**
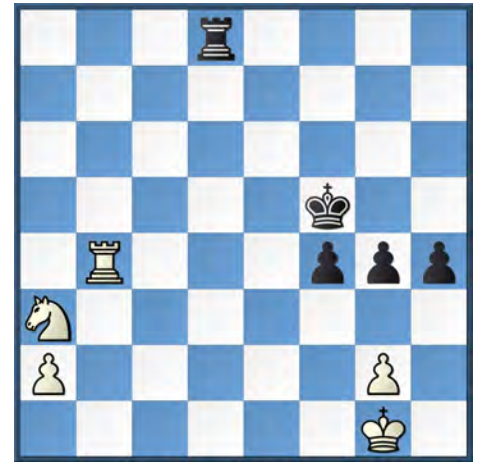


63.Nc2? Rd1+ 64.Kf2 Rd2+ 65.Kf1 Rxc2 66.Rb5+ Ke4 67.Rb4+ Ke5 68.a4 h3 69.gxh3 g3

69...gxh3 70.Kg1 f3–+

**70.Rb5+ Kf6 71.Rb6+ Kg5 72.Rb5+ Kh4 73.Rf5 Kxh3 74.Rh5+ Kg4 75.Rh8 Rc1+ 76.Ke2 f3+ 77.Ke3 Re1+ 78.Kd2 f2 79.Rg8+ Kf3 80.Rf8+ Kg2 81.a5 f1Q 82.Rxf1 Kxf1 83.a6 Re8 84.a7 g2 85.a8Q Rxa8 86.Kd1 g1Q 87.Kc1 Ra2 88.Kb1 Rd2 89.Kc1 Ke2# 0–1**

### Costin Cozianu - Curt Collyer [C14]
WA Championship Seattle
(R3), Feb. 10, 2013

**1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.exd5 Nxd5 6.Bxe7 Qxe7 7.Qd2 Qb4 8.Nxd5 Qxd2+ 9.Kxd2 exd5 10.Re1+ Be6**

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**11.Ne2 Nd7 12.Nf4 0–0 13.g3 Rae8 14.Bg2 c6 15.Nxe6 fxe6 16.f4 g6 17.Re2 Re7 18.Rhe1 Rfe8 19.b3 Nb6 20.Kd3 Kf7 21.c4 a6 22.Bf3 Na8 23.a4 Nc7 24.a5 Rd7 25.Kc3**

Red8 26.Rd2 Ne8 27.Bd1 Kf6
28.Bc2 Ng7 29.g4 Rh8 30.Kb4 h5
31.g5+ Kf7 32.Kc5 h4 33.h3 Nh5
34.Rde2 Ng7 35.Rb1 Rhd8 36.Re3
Rc8 37.Re5 Re8 38.Bd3 Ree7
39.Rbe1 Rd8 40.Be2 Rdd7 41.Bg4
Rd8 42.Rc1 Red7 43.Rd1 Re7
44.Kb6 Rd6 45.Rd2 Rd8 46.Kc5
Red7 47.Re1 Re7 48.Ra2 Red7
49.Rae2 Re7 50.Re5 Rdd7 51.Ra1
Rd8 52.Rd1 Red7 53.Re3 Re7
54.Kb4 Red7 55.Kc3 Re7 56.Rd2
Red7 57.Re5 Re7 58.Kb2 Red7
59.Rde2 Re7 60.Kc3 Rdd7 61.Kd3
Rd8 62.cxd5 cxd5 63.Rc2 Ne8
64.Re1 Nd6?!



**65.Rec1**

65.Bxe6+! Rxe6 *(65...Kf8  66.Re5)*
66.Rc7++-

**65...Rdd7 66.Rc5 Kg7 67.R5c2 Kf7
68.Re1 Re8 69.Rec1 Ree7 70.Re1
Re8 71.Rec1 ½–½**

### Tian Sang - David Golub [B35]
WA Championship Seattle
(R3), Feb. 10, 2013

**1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4
g6 5.Nc3 Bg7 6.Be3 Nf6 7.Bc4
Qa5 8.0–0 0–0 9.h3 d6 10.Bb3 Qh5
11.Nde2 Ne5 12.f3 g5 13.Qe1 Ng6
14.Qg3 h6 15.Qh2 Nh4**



**16.f4**

16.Qh1!?

**16...gxf4**

16...Nxe4 17.Nxe4 Qxe2 18.Rae1
Qh5 19.fxg5∞

**17.Nxf4 Qe5 18.Bf2 Qg5 19.Qg3
e5 20.Nfd5 Nxd5 21.Nxd5 Qxg3
22.Bxg3 Ng6 23.Nf6+ Kh8 24.Rad1
Be6 25.Rxd6 Rfd8 26.Rxd8+ Rxd8
27.Bxe6 fxe6 28.Nh5 Kg8 29.Rf3
Rd1+ 30.Kh2 Rd2 31.Rc3 Rd4
32.Rc8+ Bf8 33.Rc7 Be7 34.Rxb7
a5 35.Bxe5 Rxe4 36.Rxe7 Rxe5
37.Rg7+ Kh8 38.Rxg6 Rxh5
39.Rxe6 Kg7 40.c4 Rc5 41.b3 h5
42.Rd6 1–0**

### Samir Sen -
### Igor Ummel [A40]
WA Championship Seattle
(R3), Feb. 10, 2013

**1.d4 b6 2.Nf3 Bb7 3.e3 e6 4.Bd3 f5
5.Nbd2 Nf6 6.c4 Bb4 7.0–0? 0–0?
8.Qc2 Bxd2 9.Nxd2 d6 10.e4 Nc6
11.Qc3 fxe4 12.Nxe4 e5 13.d5 Nd4
14.Qe1 Qd7 15.Be3**
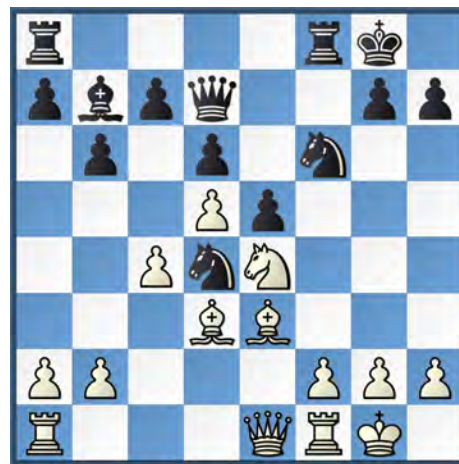
**15...Nxe4 16.Bxd4 Nf6 17.Bc3 c6
18.f4 e4 19.Bxe4 cxd5 20.Bxd5+
Nxd5 21.cxd5 Bxd5 22.Qd2 Be4
23.Rae1 Rae8 24.Be5**

24.Bxg7!? Qxg7 *(24...Kxg7 25.Qd4+;
24...Bxg2 25.Bxf8 Bxf1 26.Rxe8 Qxe8
27.Bxd6)* 25.Rxe4 Rxe4 26.Qd5+
Kh8 27.Qxe4 Qxb2

**24...Bxg2 25.Qxg2 dxe5 26.Rxe5
Rxe5 27.fxe5 Qd4+ 28.Kh1 Rxf1+
29.Qxf1 Qe4+ 30.Kg1 Qe3+ 31.Kh1
Qe4+ 32.Kg1 Qd4+ 33.Kh1 Qd5+
34.Kg1 Qd4+ 35.Kh1 Qd5+ ½–½**

### Nathan Lee -
### Costin Cozianu [C77]
WA Championship Seattle
(R4), Feb. 10, 2013

**1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4
Nf6 5.Qe2 b5 6.Bb3 Bc5 7.d3 d6
8.c3 Be6 9.Nbd2 0–0 10.Nf1 Bxb3
11.axb3 Ng4 12.Ne3 Bxe3 13.Bxe3
Qd7 14.h3 Nxe3 ½–½**

### Roland Feng -
### Ignacio Perez [E61]
WA Championship Seattle
(R4), Feb. 10, 2013

**1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.Nf3
0–0 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bh4 c5 7.d5 Na6
8.e4 d6 9.h3 Nc7 10.Bd3 b5 11.cxb5
a6 12.b6 Nb5 13.0–0 Qxb6 14.Nd2
Nd4 15.Nc4 Qc7 16.a4 e5 17.f4 exf4
18.Rxf4 g5 19.Rxf6 Bxf6 20.Bg3
Rd8 21.Qh5 Bg7 22.Rf1 Ra7**

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**23.e5**

23.h4 g4 *(23...gxh4 24.Bxh4→)* 24.Bf4∞

**23...dxe5 24.d6 Rxd6 25.Nxd6**

25.Nxe5

**25...Qxd6 26.Ne4 Qe7 27.h4 Bf5 28.hxg5 Bg6 29.Nf6+ Qxf6 30.gxf6 Bxh5 31.fxg7 Be2 32.Bxe2 Nxe2+ 33.Kh2 Nxg3 34.Kxg3 Kxg7 35.Rc1 Rc7 36.a5 Kf6 37.Rc4 Ke6 38.Rh4 Rb7 39.Rxh6+ f6 40.Rh8 Rb3+ 41.Kh2 Rb5 42.Rc8 Rxa5 43.g4 Rb5 44.Rc6+ Kf7 45.Rxa6 Rxb2+ 46.Kg3 Kg6 47.Kh4 Rh2+ 48.Kg3 Rd2 49.Kh4 Rd4 50.Rc6 c4 51.Rc7 f5 52.Rc6+ Kf7 53.Kg5 fxg4 54.Kf5 g3 55.Rc7+ Kg8 56.Rc8+ Kh7 57.Rc7+ Kh6 58.Rc6+ Kh5 59.Rc8 Rf4+ 60.Kxe5 Rf7 61.Rg8 Kh4 62.Kd4 Kh3 63.Kxc4 g2 64.Rh8+ Kg3 65.Rg8+ Kf2 66.Kd3 g1Q 67.Rxg1 Kxg1 0–1**

### Curt Collyer - Tian Sang [A80]
WA Championship Seattle
(R4), Feb. 10, 2013

**1.d4 f5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.Bg5 d5 4.Bxf6 exf6 5.e3 Be6 6.Qf3 c6 7.Bd3 g6 8.Nge2 Bd6 9.h3 Nd7 10.g4 fxg4 11.hxg4 Bf7 12.0–0–0 Qa5 13.Rh3 Be7 14.e4 0–0–0 15.exd5 cxd5 16.Rdh1 Nf8 17.Kb1 a6 18.Nc1 Qc7 19.Nb3 Rg8 20.Qe2 Kb8 21.Na4 Re8 22.Re3 g5 23.Re1 Ne6**

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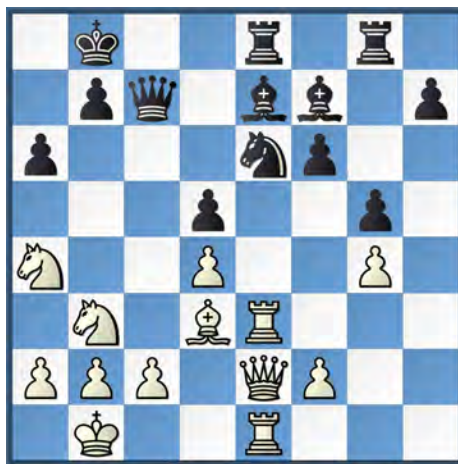
**24.Rxe6 Bb4 25.Rxe8+ Rxe8 26.Qxe8+ Bxe8 27.Rxe8+ Ka7 28.a3 Qc6 29.Re2 Qxa4 30.axb4 Qxb4 31.Bxh7 a5 32.Nc1 Qxd4 33.Bf5 Qd1 34.Re3 Qd2 35.Rd3 Qxf2 36.Rxd5 Qe1 37.Rd6 a4 38.Re6 Qd2 39.Re2 Qd1 40.Bd3 Kb6 41.Re4 a3 42.bxa3 Kc7 43.Rb4 Qe1 44.Bf5 b6 45.Kb2 Qe5+ 46.Ka2 Qd5+ 47.Nb3 Qe5 48.Re4 Qc3 49.Re6 Kb7 50.Re8 Qg3 51.Nd4 Kc7 52.Re6 Qf2 53.Nb3 Qf4 54.Rxf6 Qf2 55.Re6 Qf4 56.Re4 Qf1 57.Rb4 Qf3 58.Nd4 Qd5+ 59.Nb3 Qf3 60.Rd4 Qf2 61.Rd7+ Kc6 62.Rg7 Qf4 63.Rd7 Qf2 64.Nd4+ Kc5 65.Ne6+ Kc4 66.Bd3+ Kc3 67.Nxg5 1–0**

### David Golub - Samir Sen [C13]
WA Championship Seattle
(R4), Feb. 10, 2013

**1.d4 d5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.Bg5 Nbd7 4.Nf3 e6 5.e4 h6 6.Bh4 dxe4 7.Nxe4 Be7 8.Bxf6 Nxf6 9.Bd3 0–0 10.0–0 c6 11.Qe2 Qc7 12.c4 b6 13.Rfd1 Bb7 14.c5 Rad8 15.Rac1 Rfe8 16.Bb1 Nxe4 17.Bxe4 Bf6 18.h3 Kf8 19.Qc2 e5 20.cxb6 Qxb6 21.dxe5 Bxe5 22.Rxd8 Qxd8 23.Nxe5 Rxe5 24.Bxc6 Bxc6 25.Qxc6 Qd2 26.Qa8+ Re8 27.Rc8 Qe1+ 28.Kh2 Qe5+ 29.g3 Rxc8 30.Qxc8+ Ke7 31.Qb7+ Ke6 32.Qa6+ Kf5 33.Qxa7 Qxb2 34.Qxf7+ Ke4 35.Kg2 Qa1 36.h4 Qb2 37.a4 Kd3 38.Qd5+ Kc2 39.Qc4+ Kd2 40.Qf4+ Kc2 41.Qc7+ Kd3 42.a5 Ke2 43.Qe7+ Kd1 44.a6 Qa2 45.Qd6+ Ke1 46.Qe5+ Kd1 47.Qd4+ Ke1 48.a7**

Qa6 49.Qe4+ 1–0

### Joshua Sinanan - Igor Ummel [A63]
WA Championship Seattle
(R4), Feb. 10, 2013

**1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 e6 4.Nc3 exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.g3 g6 7.Nf3 Bg7 8.Bg2 0–0? 9.0–0? a6 10.a4 Qc7 11.Nd2 Nbd7 12.Nc4 Nb6 13.Na3 Re8 14.h3 Bd7 15.e4 Nc8 16.Qd3 Rb8 17.Bd2 Na7 18.Nc4 b5 19.axb5 Nxb5 20.Rxa6 Nxc3 21.Bxc3 Bb5 22.Ra3 Nd7 23.f4 Bxc3 24.Rxc3 Bxc4 25.Qxc4 Rxb2 26.Ra1 Reb8 27.Rca3 Qb7 28.Ra7 Rb1+ 29.Kh2 Rxa1 30.Rxa1 Qb2 31.Ra2 Qb1 32.Ra7 Nf6 33.e5 Nh5 34.exd6 Qe1 35.Ra3 Rb1 36.Qxc5 Rc1**
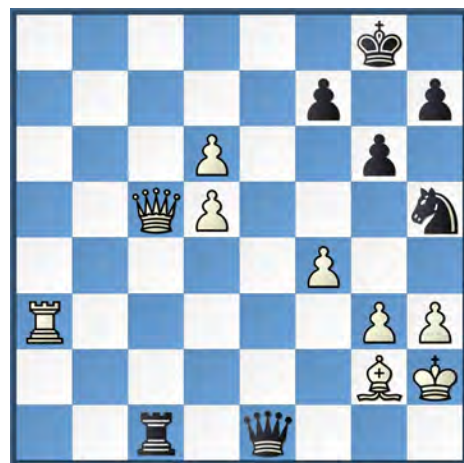


**37.Qe3**

37.Qd4! Qe8 *(37...Rc8 38.d7 Rd8 39.Re3+-)* 38.g4 Ng7 39.Qa7 Qf8 40.d7+-

**37...Qxe3 38.Rxe3 Nf6 39.g4 Rc8 40.g5 Nd7 41.Rb3 Rd8 42.h4 Nc5 43.Rb6 Nd7 44.Rc6 Nb8 45.Bh3 Kf8 46.Rc7 Na6 47.Rc8 Rxc8 48.Bxc8 Nc5 49.f5 Ne4 50.f6 Ke8 51.Bb7 Nxd6 52.Bc6+ Kd8 53.Kg3 Nf5+ 54.Kg4 Nd4 55.Ba4 Nf5 56.Kh3 Kc7 57.h5 Kb6 58.Bd7 Nd6 59.Kg4 Kc5 60.Be6 Kc4 ½–½**

# Book Review
## by IM John Donaldson

The second book of Danish Grandmaster Jacob Aagaard's four volume Grandmaster Preparation series, Positional Play (Quality Chess 2012, www.qualitychess.co.uk, 312 pages, paperback, figurine algebraic, $29.95) aims to improve positional understanding by asking three questions: Where are the weaknesses? What is the worst-placed piece? What is your opponent's idea?

These might seem like simple questions but even very strong players, some of the very best in the world, can fail to ask them. A case in point is the following example from Aagaard's book.

Modern Defense B07
Boris Gelfand- Alexander Morozevich
Moscow 2008

1.Nf3 g6 2.e4 d6 3.c4 Bg4 4.d4 Bxf3 5.Qxf3 Bg7 6.Qd1 c6 7.Nc3 Qb6 8.Be3 Qxb2 9.Na4 Qb4+ 10.Bd2 Qa3 11.Bc1 Qb4+ 12.Bd2 Qa3

White decided to repeat the position with 13.Bc1?,1/2-1/2, being unable to find any reasonable way to continue the game. Had he spent time thinking about activating his worst piece, the rook on h1, he might have come upon the solution:

13.h4!!

This move, originally suggested by Sergey Shipov, seems to be more or less winning by force.

13...d5

13...Bxd4 14.Rh3 Qxa4 15.Qxa4 Bxa1 16.Rb3 and Black cannot defend the queenside.

14.e5 e6 15.Rb1 Qe7 16.cxd5 exd5 17.Bd3

White's initiative should be decisive. Black cannot easily get his bits out, and White is attacking on both flanks with a fully mobilized army. Obviously the game has a long way to go, and Black does have an extra pawn, but the chances are still entirely with White at this stage.

Positional Play offers the reader 222 well-chosen positions to solve, drawn primarily, but not exclusively, from recent practice. These positions are arranged around three themes: weaknesses, pieces and prophylaxis. Even those unable to solve the positions will derive benefit from the effort and the thorough solutions.

Accepted practice holds that all chess players should incorporate thirty minutes a day solving tactics. An extra half hour going through Positional Play would be time well spent.

You can find an excerpt from this book at:

http://www.qualitychess.co.uk/products/2/155/grandmaster_preparation_-_positional_play_%28hardcover%29_by_jacob_aagaard/

Like many other titles in the Quality Chess line this volume is also available as a hardback.

Highly Recommended
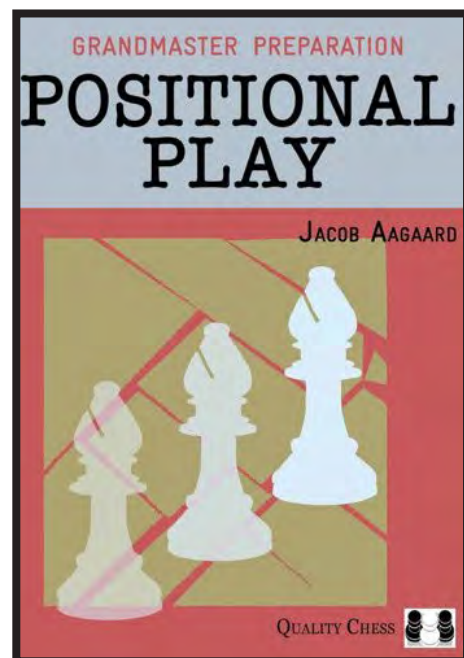
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**Positional Play by Jacob Aagaard**

*IM John Donaldson at 2006 Chess Olympiad.*
*Photo courtesy of John Donaldson.*

# 38th Annual Keres Memorial

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**Entry Fees: Open & U2000:** C$95 by Apr. 8, C$110 by May 13, C$120 on site. **U1600** C$55 by Apr. 8, C$70 by May 14, C$80 on site. C$20 to play up a section.

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**Website:** www.keresmemorial.pbworks.com for more information.

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# Washington Chess News

## Washington Championship

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** Note: Due to the withdraw of Alan Bishop, the Invitational became a 9 player RR, with a different player receiving a bye in each round. For those who already played against Bishop, the games were rated, but do not count for the tournament (and have been removed from the crosstable). TD Fred Kleist made the following color changes to maintain color balance: (W-B) Lampman-Kiiru in round 7; Kiiru-May in round 8; Warrier-He in round 8; VanDyke-Fields in round 9.

## Washington High School Individual Championship

Source: http://www.nwchess.com/blog/ report by Gary Dorfner.

The Washington High School Individual Championship was held at Lakeside High School in Seattle on January 25-26. There were 78 players playing in three sections.

Results were as follows:

Championship Section: There is currently a tie between Megan Lee, David Englis and Xiacman Chu, each player having scored four points. There will be a playoff for the championship, currently scheduled for March 2 at the Seattle CC. There is no winner for the title yet.

Reserve Section: Daniel Metz is first place with five points, followed by a 4-way tie for 2nd-5th place between Corey Wukelic, Nathan Nelson, Bailey Westman and Billy Kang each

having four points.

Premier Section: Alex Koh is first place with 4.5 points followed by Nicholas Xing and Thomas Thongmee tied for 2nd-3rd with four points each.

Trophies were given out as prizes. David Ellinger was the Tournament Director.

## Seattle CC Superbowl Tornado

Source: http://www.nwchess.com/blog/ report by Russell Miller.

10 players took part in the event held at the Seattle CC under the direction of Fred Kleist. Thre was a 3-way tie for 1st-3rd between Jothi Ramesh of Shoreline, Kevin Lee and Eric Zhang of Sammamish with three points each.

## Northwest Grade Level Championships

Source: http://www.nwchess.com/blog/ report by Russell Miller.

A large scholastic event was held in Bellevue on February 9 under the direction of Mr. Van Weerdhnizeh.

The winners were as follows:
K Section: 1st Raphael Thaler of John Stanford International 5-0, 20 players.

1st Grade: Terrence Digel of West Woodland Elementary 5-0. 32 players.
2nd Grade:

Raphael Menon of John Stanford International 5-0, 32 players.

3rd Grade: Aditya Singh of Cherry Crest School 5-0. 42 players.

4th Grade: Andreas Farny of Leschi Elementary 4.5-.5, 42 players.

5th Grade: Tobias Menon of John Stanford International 4.5-.5, 30 players.

7-12 Grades: Jonah Kolar of Salmon Bay Elementary, 8th Grade,5-0, 13 players.

## Washington High School State Team

Source: http://www.nwchess.com/blog/ report by Randy Kaech posted by Russell Miller.

Six high school teams from the Northwest Chess League (which covers the NW part of Washington only) qualified and attended the season-concluding State Chess Team Championships, held this year at Interlake High School in Bellevue on February 8-9, 2013. The competition was tough, as evidenced by the top three finishers (Lakeside, Interlake, Garfield) having an average chess rating of 1750.

After the 445 games of chess were finished, here's how it settled:

Chess State Team 2013 Final Standings:

1st Lakeside
2nd Interlake
3rd Garfield
4th Eastlake
5th Newport
6th Roosevelt
7th Ferndale
8th Overlake
9th Ingraham
10th Issaquah

### Northwest League:

7th Ferndale
15th Ferndale B
20th Lynden Christian
24th Sehome
26th Blaine
28th Meridian

In the State Junior Varsity event, Ferndale's Ben Witzel went undefeated and untied and is the 2013 Washington State JV Champion:

1st Ben Witzel, Ferndale
7th Bailey Westman, Ferndale
10th Drake Likkel, Lynden Christian
12th Brady Hornstra, Lynden Christian.

# Washington State Championship Photos of the winners



*Washington State chess champion Ignacio Perez and the champion's trophy, which is engraved each year with the name of the winner. This is the second time for Ignacio ... he also won the Washington state championship in 2007. Photo credit: Duane Polich.*



*Premiere section co-champion Michael Omori. He is seeded into next year's championship based on a tie break. Photo credit: Duane Polich.*



*Invitational section champion Bryce Tiglon. He is seeded into next year's Premiere section. Photo credits: Duane Polich.*

# Oregon Chess News

## Portland Chess Club Annual Meeting

Report by Mike Lilly.

The 2013 annual meeting of the members of the Portland Chess Club was held on Saturday January 26, after the Club's monthly Game in 60 tournament, and after the pairings for the Oregon Invitational were drawn. Club President Grisha Alpernas opened the proceedings, which were conducted in an informal round-table style. Vice President Neil Dale, Secretary-Treasurer Mike Morris, board member Mike Janniro, board member Barb Fortune and about half a dozen club members were in attendance at the Club building on Multnomah Boulevard.

The primary item on the agenda was election of officers and board members for 2013. The respected and well liked Grisha Alpernas surprised some members by announcing that he would not run for re-election as President, and would not accept a nomination as a board member. Alpernas has been a stalwart for the Club for years, serving on the board and as an officer. His leadership and hard work will be missed, but he is not stepping out of organized chess. Alpernas indicated that he will be continuing his leadership work in the Oregon Chess Federation, and he will continue to play an active roll as a tournament director for the Club. He is also in charge of the Club's web site. Alpernas explained his decision, saying that while he is proud to have had the opportunity to contribute to the Club's success, he does not have enough time to continue to meet the responsibilities that come with playing so many roles simultaneously. Club members expressed their appreciation for his hard work and leadership.

Following Alpernas's announcement that he would not run for re-election, Mike Janniro stepped up to fill what might have been a gap in the club leadership by volunteering to take on the responsibilities of President. There were no other nominations or volunteers for the position, and Janniro was elected by unanimous vote of the members present. Janniro is not a stranger to the position of Club President. He was President during 2011, and provided the Club with a good steady executive.

The remaining board members and officers were unanimously re-elected, but that still left an open slot on the board, because Janniro had just been elected President. Sean Tobin helped out by volunteering to fill the vacated position, and he was quickly and unanimously elected. Tobin is a relative newcomer to Oregon, moving here recently from the East, but he has already made a name for himself with his enthusiasm for
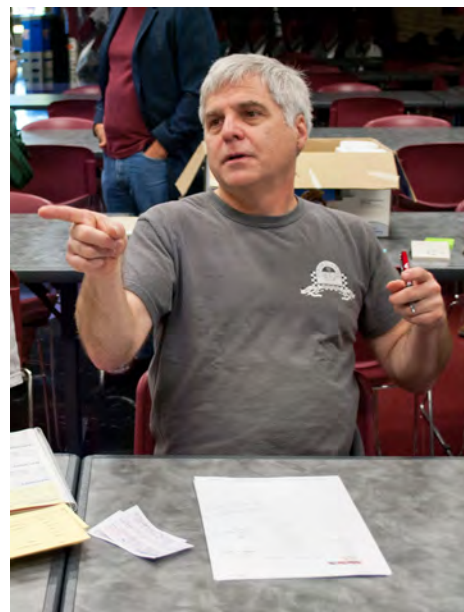


*Mike Janniro taken at the 2012 Oregon Open. Photo credit: Jeff Roland.*

the game and for organized chess. He had been in town for only a short time last year before he organized the lively Cedar Hills Crossing Chess Club which meets in the Cedar Hills Crossing Mall in Beaverton. Tobin will bring a new perspective to the Board, and he was welcomed by all.

Members also discussed strategy for increasing membership and tournament participation. Details were not finalized, but there were promising suggestions for this coming year. Barb Fortune showed off a copy of the January/February issue of the upscale Oregon travel magazine "1859." This issue had a feature article about Oregon's own Grandmaster Arthur Dake, and a sidebar article on the Portland Chess Club. Fortune has been working behind the scenes with the magazine editors and Casey Bush the author of the article. Bush, also wrote Dake's biography, *Grandmaster From Oregon, The Life & Games of Arthur Dake.*

Mike Morris brought attention to the upcoming Harmon Memorial

*Clark Harmon, photo details unknown, courtesy of his wife, Sherry Harmon.*

chess champion. Harmon was known for his congenial manner and his strong game. After the Club's annual meeting Mike Morris recounted that Harmon kept notebooks with meticulous records of the score sheets for virtually all of his games, and notebooks for each of his regular opponents as well. But Harmon's biggest impact on chess in the Northwest may have come from his tireless efforts in organizing tournaments and his work for chess organizations. He was one of the original organizers of the Oregon Chess Federation and its first President. Portland Chess Club recognized Harmon's support of chess in the Northwest by awarding him a unique life-time membership in the Club, and continues to honor him with the Harmon Memorial chess tournament.

Tournament, five rounds on April 13 and 14. This year the tournament will be held at the Doubletree Lloyd Center in Portland, Oregon. An enhancement at this year's Harmon Memorial will be an increase in the guaranteed prize money for the tournament. The additional money for prizes is available because of a generous grant to the Club from Plaid Pantry convenience stores. Plaid Pantry, which is locally owned, has over 100 convenience stores in the Portland/Vancouver area. Plaid Pantry provided the grant specifically to support the Harmon Memorial Tournament and the Portland Chess Club's efforts in sponsoring the tournament.

The Harmon Memorial is named to honor Clark Harmon, (1943-2007) a master and a ten time Oregon state

## Cedar Hills Crossing Chess Club

Report by Sean Tobin.

Club meetings are Mondays and Fridays 5–9 P.M. Each meeting features casual play, blitz chess and rated as well as unrated competitive chess. We also hold occasional free public lessons as well, conduct blindfold demonstrations and run weekend tournaments as well.

January's "Thank Goodness it's Monday" (TGIM) chess tournament concluded and after four rounds Mike Goffe took first place with a perfect 4-0! Eight players participated.

February's TGIM is underway and has 12 participants – Nick Raptis being the highest rated player, of course! Rounds take place every Monday evening and kick off time is 6:30 P.M.

The following blog has been updated so for all club news, event advertisements and games please visit: www.ptownchess.blogspot.com.



*Mike Hasuike mid strike as he captures John Lee's Bishop on board four during round one of TGIM #2, February 4, 2013. Photo credit: Sean Tobin.*

# Idaho Chess News



*L-R: Payden Dingman, Kitt Connor, Tirso Garcia, Jeff Roland, Reinaldo Gil, Dylan Porth, Nick Hinrichsen, Andre Murphy, Anna Murphy, Riley Clark. Not pictured: Adam Porth (who is taking this picture), Demir Delic, Fabian Soto. Photo credit: Adam Porth.*

## College Of Idaho Chess Tournament

Jeff Roland won the "College of Idaho Chess Tournament" held at the College of Idaho in Caldwell, Idaho on February 2, 2013 with a perfect 5.0/5 score. Nick Hinrichsen was second place with 4.0/5 points, followed by Adam Porth at third place with 3.5/5 points.

This was not a heavily promoted event, nor was it even officially rated. Trophies were given out only to the students that attend the College of Idaho. So the first place trophy went to Nick Hinrichsen, followed by Tirso Garcia with second place, and Kitt Connor won the third place trophy. Tirso and Kitt each had three points but the Modified Median tiebreak was used to determine who got what trophy.

The time control was Game/30 with no time delay. Adam Porth performed

the tournament director duties. This was the first tournament organized by Kitt Connor, a former student of Adam Porth's and Wood River High School, but who now attends the College of Idaho.

Only two players recorded their games—Jeff Roland, in a score book, and Adam Porth, who tried out his new Monroi for the first time that he received as a Christmas gift.



*Jeff Roland (left) vs. Reinaldo Gil (right) in the final round of the 2013 College Of Idaho Chess Tournament. Photo credit: Adam Porth.*

The atmosphere was very congenial, and many new friendships were formed. It is anticipated that another similar tournament will be held in the Spring (possibly in April).

# 2013 England vs. France

Eighteen players attended the 2013 England vs. France chess tournament held at Wood River High School in Room C214 on Thursday, February 7, 2013 in Hailey, Idaho. Adam Porth was the tournament director. The tournament was open to all players K-Adult. Three players came from Boise while the rest were all local to Hailey.

This was a theme tournament. Every game began with the same opening moves of 1.c4 e6 2.Nf3 d5 3.g3 Nf6 4.Bg2 Be7 5.0-0 with Black to move. The name of the tournament is based on this position. White has an English Opening set-up and Black has a French Defense set-up, hence the name "England vs. France". This provided quite a challenge as many players came prepared with a good understanding of what to do from both sides.

Jeff Roland won the event with a perfect 4.0/4 score, but his victory was not as easy as this score might suggest. Jeff got into difficult positions in several games. This is probably because Jeff did not even look at the opening before the tournament whereas his opponents likely did prepare for the theme tournament.

In Jeff's first round encounter, Alex Machin had pressure on the open c-file and he also had very active bishops. It was only when Black lost a pawn on his 29th move that White achieved anything hopeful in the position. Even then, the clock played a major role and with both players under two minutes on the clock, and Jeff *still* recording the moves(!), Alex made an illegal move of 56...



*Adam Porth (left) and Wyatt Caccia (right) at the 2013 England vs. France tournament.*
*Photo credit: Jeff Roland.*

Kb8 (it did not get his King out of check), which he had to change to 56...Kc8. This gave Jeff a much needed additional two minutes on his clock to finish the game quickly after promoting his pawn to a queen and leaving an easy checkmate which was actually played on the board.

In round three, Jeff got into a very difficult position when he seemingly was winning a trapped knight. Andre Murphy played a very interesting piece sacrifice which caught Jeff completely off guard. Jeff had to take this Knight which completely broke open his position and cost 10 precious minutes off his clock trying to find a reply. Jeff was still able to find a way to run away with his King into the center of the board and then win the game because he simply had an extra piece owing to the sacrifice. But there were tense moments in the game, and Andre certainly deserves credit for a very interesting idea.

In round four, Drew Machin also achieved a very nice position against Jeff, and the game got incredibly complicated when Jeff decided to bring his Queen into the game with a risky 19.Qf5. Black overlooked a mate in one that he had actually seen but then forgot about with all the

complications, and the game ended suddenly and unexpectedly with checkmate on move 21.

There were several other exciting games in the tournament. Desmond Porth beat his father, Adam Porth, in what seemed from the outside to be an exciting game. Adam Porth also got into some serious time trouble against Andre Murphy in the final round, but with less than a minute on his clock, Adam stood up so he could move even more quickly and was able to win the won endgame that he had on the board in the few seconds he had left to him on his clock.

There was a 4-way tie for 2nd-5th place, but tie-breaks awarded second place to Drew Machin, third place to Desmond Porth, fourth place to Alex Machin, and fifth place to Adam Porth. Each player had three points.

The trophies were also a little unusual. These trophies came with animated lights that flashed around in a circle. Drew Machin said this was the first time in his life that he won a chess trophy.

Pizza, popcorn, and drinks were also available in the tournament. It was a very enjoyable event.

The following two Crosstables are shown in tie-break order.

### 2013 College of Idaho Chess Tournament
#### February 2, 2013 * Caldwell, Idaho

| ## | Player | R1 | R2 | R3 | R4 | R5 | Score |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Jeff Roland | W4 | W7 | W6 | W3 | W8 | 5 |
| 2 | Nick Hinrichsen | W13 | L3 | W9 | W8 | W6 | 4 |
| 3 | Adam Porth | -H- | W2 | W5 | L1 | W4 | 3½ |
| 4 | Tirso Garcia | L1 | W10 | W7 | W5 | L3 | 3 |
| 5 | Kitt Connor | W11 | W9 | L3 | L4 | W7 | 3 |
| 6 | Andre Murphy | W12 | D13 | L1 | W9 | L2 | 2½ |
| 7 | Payden Dingman | W10 | L1 | L4 | W11 | L5 | 2 |
| 8 | Reinaldo Gil | L9 | W11 | W10 | L2 | L1 | 2 |
| 9 | Dylan Porth | W8 | L5 | L2 | L6 | -B- | 2 |
| 10 | Anna Murphy | L7 | L4 | L8 | -B- | W11 | 2 |
| 11 | Riley Clark | L5 | L8 | -B- | L7 | L10 | 1 |
| 12 | Fabian Soto | L6 | -B- | --- | --- | --- | 1 |
| 13 | Demir Delic | L2 | D6 | --- | --- | --- | ½ |

## Idaho Scholastic Girls Championship

Carmen Pemsler of Eagle, Idaho, won the Idaho Scholastic Girls Championship held February 9, 2013 in Meridian, Idaho with a perfect 5-0 score. The 5-round event was USCF rated. Jeff Roland was the chief floor TD, and Craig Barrett was the overall chief TD. Carmen will have the opportunity to represent Idaho at one of the upcoming national events.

Michaela Abernathy of Meridian, Idaho, was second place with four points.

### 2013 England vs. France Chess Tournament
#### February 7, 2013 * Hailey, Idaho

| ## | Player | R1 | R2 | R3 | R4 | Score |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Jeff Roland | W4 | W8 | W6 | W2 | 4 |
| 2 | Drew Machin | W15 | W14 | W3 | L1 | 3 |
| 3 | Desmond Porth | W9 | W5 | L2 | W11 | 3 |
| 4 | Alex Machin | L1 | -B- | W13 | W7 | 3 |
| 5 | Adam Porth | W7 | L3 | W8 | W6 | 3 |
| 6 | Andre Murphy | W12 | W11 | L1 | L5 | 2 |
| 7 | Keegan Crowson | L5 | W9 | W10 | L4 | 2 |
| 8 | Anna Murphy | W16 | L1 | L5 | W13 | 2 |
| 9 | Sarah Feltman | L3 | L7 | W16 | W12 | 2 |
| 10 | Quentin Van Law | L11 | W12 | L7 | W16 | 2 |
| 11 | Anthony Flores | W10 | L6 | -H- | L3 | 1½ |
| 12 | Sarah Hattula | L6 | L10 | W17 | L9 | 1 |
| 13 | Jefferson Hidalgo | --- | W16 | L4 | L8 | 1 |
| 14 | Matt Reidy | W18 | L2 | --- | --- | 1 |
| 15 | Wyatt Caccia | L2 | W17 | --- | --- | 1 |
| 16 | Darwin Porth | L8 | L13 | L9 | L10 | 0 |
| 17 | Kaleb Vincent | --- | L15 | L12 | --- | 0 |
| 18 | Victor Saldivia | L14 | --- | --- | --- | 0 |



*Carmen Pemsler during her third round in what turned out to be a very tough game. Photo credit: Adam Porth.*
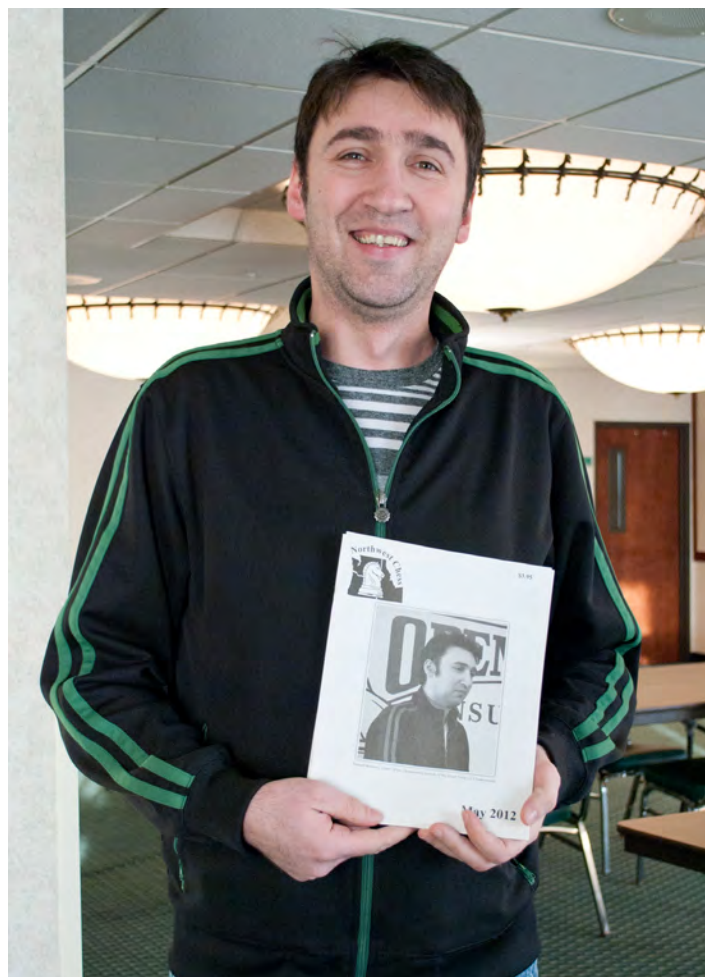


*At the 2013 Idaho Closed, Nedzad Imamovic was presented the May, 2012 issue of Northwest Chess, wherein he was on the cover. Photo credit: Jeff Roland*

# The 2013 Northwest Chess Grand Prix

## Murlin Varner, point man

The new year is well underway. As of February 3, we have had eight Grand Prix events, two with multipliers, involving 125 players. The top 40+ of these players are listed below. All of these events have occurred in Seattle, Portland, and Tacoma, leaving some areas of the Northwest yet to be heard from. This will change by the time February is done, as we will have had the Idaho Closed in Twin Falls, and the Dave Collyer Memorial in Spokane. By my next column, I should be able to return to the usual state-by-state table format.

The Idaho Closed required a minor change to our rules, one that never came up before because Washington and Oregon do not hold a tournament of this nature. While the Idaho Closed is not open to every Northwest chess player, it is open to every Idaho player. Since each state's contest is separate, no Washington or Oregon player is harmed by being excluded from this event. Since every Idaho player can play in the Idaho Closed, no Idaho player is harmed either. So, the NWC board decided to modify the rules to allow for one such closed event per year, per state, to be included in the Grand Prix calculations. Events limited by rating, age, or other criteria (novice, amateur, senior, junior, club, women, etc.) are still not eligible for GP status.

Outside of those two above mentioned events, there are only two others which were contested in February, and those both occurred on the same weekend as the Dave Collyer Memorial. The Collyer itself was a 3x event, with the largest guaranteed prize fund yet this year. Looking ahead to March, there are six events on the calendar, all held in Seattle, Portland and Tacoma. None have multipliers. The next multiplier event may be the Clark Harmon Memorial in Portland April 13-14, but I do not yet have the specifics on that.

## NWGP top 40 through 2/10/2013

| Place | Last Name | First Name | State | Rating | # of events | NWGP points |
|-------|-----------|------------|-------|--------|-------------|-------------|
| 1 | Anthony | Ralph J | WA | 1652 | 4 | 22 |
| 2 | Piper | August | WA | 1512 | 4 | 20 |
| 3 | Ramesh | Jothi N | WA | 1763 | 3 | 19.5 |
| 4 | Bartron | Paul R | WA | 2149 | 3 | 19 |
| 5 | He | Anthony B | WA | 1725 | 3 | 18.5 |
| 6 | Kramlich | Dan | WA | 1700 | 3 | 18 |
| 7 | Zhang | Eric M | WA | 1361 | 3 | 17.5 |
| 8 | Tiglon | Bryce | WA | 2070 | 2 | 17 |
| 9 | Smith | Micah | WA | 1911 | 2 | 16.5 |
| 10 | Szabo | Marcell | WA | 2052 | 2 | 14 |
| 11 | Lampman | Becca | WA | 2008 | 1 | 13 |
|  | Lee | Kevin | WA | 1591 | 2 | 13 |
|  | Nagase | Masayuki | WA | 1827 | 2 | 13 |
| 14 | Chairet | Tim | OR | 1142 | 2 | 12.5 |
| 15 | Chowdhury | Neil | WA | 1483 | 2 | 12 |
|  | Cigan | Jason | OR | 1967 | 1 | 12 |
|  | He | Daniel M | WA | 2066 | 1 | 12 |
|  | He | Samuel F | WA | 2042 | 1 | 12 |
|  | Morris | Michael J | OR | 2052 | 1 | 12 |
|  | Saputra | Yogi | OR | 2042 | 1 | 12 |
|  | Smith | Catherine M | WA | 1680 | 1 | 12 |
|  | Uan-Zo-Li | Sean A | OR | 1204 | 2 | 12 |
|  | Zavortink | Matt | WA | 2112 | 1 | 12 |

| Place | Last Name | First Name | State | Rating | # of events | NWGP points |
|-------|-----------|------------|-------|--------|-------------|-------------|
| 24 | Nagase | Toshihiro | WA | 1779 | 2 | 11.5 |
|  | Wu | Ethan | OR | 1414 | 2 | 11.5 |
| 26 | Davis | Joe P | WA | 1699 | 1 | 11 |
|  | Haessler | Carl A | OR | 2214 | 1 | 11 |
|  | Herrera | Robert | OR | 2053 | 1 | 11 |
|  | Murray | Dillon T | OR | 1828 | 1 | 11 |
|  | Skalnes | Erik | OR | 1865 | 1 | 11 |
|  | Tezcan | Yaman | OR | 2043 | 1 | 11 |
| 32 | Richards | Jerrold | WA | 1269 | 2 | 10.5 |
| 33 | Berger | Brian F | OR | 1437 | 2 | 10 |
|  | Bryant | David G | WA | 1348 | 2 | 10 |
|  | Eagles | Roland | OR | 1854 | 1 | 10 |
|  | Grabinsky | Aaron | OR | 1946 | 1 | 10 |
|  | Jones | Davey V | WA | 1618 | 1 | 10 |
|  | Larson | Andrew M | FL | 1836 | 1 | 10 |
|  | Leslie | Cameron D | ID | 1949 | 1 | 10 |
|  | Salisbury | Blake | OR | 1977 | 1 | 10 |
|  | Sherrard | Jerry | OR | 1964 | 1 | 10 |
|  | Smyth | Scott J | OR | 1948 | 1 | 10 |
|  | Sun | Maxwell S | OR | 1842 | 1 | 10 |
|  | Zhang | Derek | WA | 1824 | 1 | 10 |

# Seattle Chess Club Tournaments

## Address
**2150 N 107 St, B85**
**Seattle WA 98133**

### Infoline
206-417-5405
**www.seattlechess.org**
kleistcf@aol.com

### Address for Entries
SCC Tnmt Dir
2420 S 137 St
Seattle WA 98168

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# Seattle Spring Open
### March 22-24 or 23-24

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 44 paid entries, 5 per prize group.

*a Northwest 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 3/20 ($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.

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## How to Find the SCC

Look for the Northway Square East Building, just across I-5 from Northgate Mall, with large signs proclaiming "Northwest Kidney Centers" and "City University." The main entrance is reached by turning east on N. 107th Street from Meridian Ave. N. The club is on the lower level.

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## SCC Fridays

Typical Friday fare is one round of an ongoing tournament (free to SCC members, no prizes) played at a rate of 40/90 followed by 30/60. Drop in for any round!

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| ***March Winds:*** | *Mar. 8, 15, 22, 29.* |
| ***April Showers:*** | *Apr. 5, 12, 19, 26.* |
| ***Close Ratings:*** | *May 3, 10, 17, 31.* |
| ***Pre-WAO Blitz (G/5):*** | *May 24.* |
| ***It's Summertime:*** | *June 7, 14, 21, 28.* |
| ***Firecracker Quads (G/25):*** | *July 4.* |
| ***Hot as Hades:*** | *July 11, 18, 25.* |
| ***Dog Days:*** | *August 2, 9, 16, 23.* |

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♘**Mar. 16, Apr. 13          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.

**April 7 New Date          SCC Novice**
**Format:** 4-SS. Open to U1200 and unrated. **TC:** G/75. **EF:** $11 by 4/3, $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. 14 New Date, May 5   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.

**March 29-31          SCC Team in Reno!**
**Join** the SCC Team(s) at the **Larry Evans Memorial** (see ad on page 8 of the February issue). We will compete against teams from San Francisco, Reno, Sacramento, and elsewhere!

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# Upcoming Events

*♙ denotes 2013 Northwest Grand Prix event; for Seattle Chess Club events see page 31*

♙ **Mar 9-10** Northwest Open, **Tacoma, WA**. Site: Tacoma Chess Club, 409 Puyallup Ave. E., in the DTI Soccer Store Building across from Alfred's Cafe & 2 blocks down the hill from the Tacoma Dome. Format: 4 Round Swiss, 1 Section. Time Control: 40/90, SD/60 +5 second delay. Entry Fee: Adults $25.00 Advanced, $30.00 at the door, Jr.'s $20.00. Registration: 9:00-9:45 A.M., Rounds: Sat. 10:00, 4:00, Sun. 10:00, 4:00. Prize Fund: 60% of entry fees. 1st 25%, 2nd 15%, U2000, U1700, U1400 20%. Byes: 2 half point byes available. USCF/WCF Memberships required. NS, NC, NW. Entries/Info: Gary J. Dorfner, 8423 E. B St., Tacoma, WA 98445, (253) 535-2536, ggarychess@aol.com.

♙ **Mar 16-17** Portland Spring Open, **Portland, OR**. Site: Portland Chess Club, 8205 SW 24th Ave, Portland, OR. This USCF-rated, two-day tournament is played in two sections (Open and U1800), has five rounds, and offers long time controls and lots of cash prizes: Time Control: 40/90 SD/30, 5 second delay if clock allows. Two half point byes available for Rounds 1-4 if requested at registration. Entry Fee: $35; members of the Club get $10 discount. Memberships: USCF and OCF/WCF required and can be purchased/renewed at registration (other state memberships OK for out-of-area players). Registration: 9:00-9:45am on Saturday. Rounds at 10, 2 and ASAP on Saturday, 10 and ASAP on Sunday. Prizes: based on 40 entries and adjusted proportionally if different number of players, total prize fund is $650 (each section's prize fund $325). Open section: 1st place - $150, 2nd place - $100, best result for rated under 2000 - $75. Reserve section: 1st place - $100, 2nd place - $75, best results for rated under 1600, under 1400, and under 1200 or unrated - $50 each. No tiebreakers used, prizes split between players with the same results.

**Mar 29-31** (Easter weekend) 2nd Annual Larry Evans Memorial Tournament, **Reno, NV**. See full page ad on page 23.

**Mar 29-Apr 1** 7th Annual Grand Pacific Open, **Victoria, BC**. See half page ads in January and February issues or http://www.nwchess.com/calendar/TA.htm.

♙ **Mar 30, Apr 27** Portland CC Game in 60. **Portland, OR**. 4SS, G/60. TD may switch to 5SS and G/45 if more than 25 entries. Portland Chess Club, 8205 SW 24th Ave., Portland, OR. EF: $20, $5 discount for PCC Members. OCF/WCF and USCF memb req'd, OSA. No advance entries. Reg: 9-9:30. Byes: 1/2 point bye if requested at reg. Prizes: ($200/b20) $60-$40-$30 U1800, U1500 $35 each. Info: e-mail portlandchessclub@gmail.com, phone 503-246-2978, website www.pdxchess.com.

♙ **Apr 6-7** Daffodil Open, Tacoma, WA. (details pending)

♙ **Apr 13-14** Harmon Memorial, Portland, OR.. (details pending)

♙ **New Dates! Apr 27-28** Inland Empire Open**, Spokane, WA.** Gonzaga University (Schoenberg Center) Rm. 201 & 202 N. 800 Pearl Street Spokane, WA 99258. Registration: Sat. 8:30am-9:30am. Rounds: Sat. 10:00-2:30-7:00, Sun: 9:00-1:30 or ASAP. Time Control: G/115 (with 5 second delay). E.F. $23 if received by 4/26, $28 at the door; 18 and under $5 less. Telephone entries accepted. USCF rated. $600 prize fund based on 30, Class prizes based on at least five per section. Only one prize per person (excluding biggest upset - both players must have established ratings). NS, NC, W. One ½ point bye if requested before proceeding round; Sunday byes must be requested before the end of round 3. Director reserves the right to use class pairings in the final round. Prizes: 1st Overall: $150, 2nd Overall: $115; Class Prizes: 1st (A; B; C; D/E/unrated) $55, 2nd (B; C; D/E/unrated) $25, Biggest Upset: $40 (non-provisional ratings). Cookies & coffee provided. Entries: Spokane CC, c/o David B. Griffin, PO Box 631, Spokane Valley, WA 99037. For information: (509) 928-3260 or cell (509) 994-9739.

**May 18-20** 38th Annual Paul Keres Memorial, **Richmond, BC**. See half page ad on page 15.

♙ **May 25-27** Washington Open, **Seattle, WA**. (details to follow)