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# A word from the President

Gearing Up for the Finish

Spring is an active time in the CICL. There is a lot to recap and look forward too at the same time. Let me start with news of the Spring Business Meeting.

Heavy e-mail traffic from captains and officers helped bring out many issues before the meeting. Geographical realignment is now off the agenda. Players' interest in playing in their own regions prevailed over advocates of consolidation of divisions. The Near West is still intact. Any changes will need to be based on a census of teams in the Fall.

In principle, our basic playoff format will remain unchanged. The governing logic is that the playoffs are intended to crown the top TWO teams in the CICL, based on over-the-board results for the season. While third place represents a good playoff performance, just how to recognize this is on a future agenda.

Please join me in wishing President-elect **Irwin Gaines** all the best in the coming year. Irwin brings a wealth of experience to this office. As an official "lame duck", I am very pleased in leaving with a strong lineup of returning officers to help in the transition.

In other news, the CCCC match notice is again published in this issue. Consider this as a warm-up round for the playoffs or just another chance for (free!) tournament-caliber chess. Advance registration is requested.

Please also note that the 2nd CICL Winter Blitz results are also included in this issue. Thanks to Len Augsburger for pulling this event together again.

With recent time control disputes and the fact that sudden death secondary time control will be used in both the playoffs (rounds 2 & 3) and the CCCC match, I offer up the following reminder. From the USCF rules:

"It is highly improper, and warrants ejection from the premises, for any spectator to discuss a player's position or time management with that player, (or) to point out that it is the player's move..."

Please, if you have questions, ask your captain - your captain can't ask you.

Finally, I am personally very pleased to see Editor Ruben Reyes back from the Philippines. I've used up a lot of favors getting these last two issues to press in his absence.

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NEAR WEST DIV	ON	04-04-1999						
					MATCH			
TEAM NAME	W	L	D	POINTS	POINTS	PCT		
LUCENT TECH. CHARGERS	8	1	1	45.5	8.5	0.850		
COOK CO. DEPT. OF CORR	5	4	1	30.0	5.5	0.550		
CASE	4	5	1	30.5	4.5	0.450		
PAWNS	1	8	1	13.0	1.5	0.150		
FAR WEST DIVISION 04-04-1999								

#### GAME MATCH TEAM NAME W L D POINTS POINTS PCT LUCENT TECH. TYROS 7 1 1 32.5 7.5 0.833 **FERMILAB** 6 2 0 29.0 6.0 0.750 LUCENT TECH. DRAGONS 3 3 2 24.5 4.0 0.500 ARGONNE ROOKS 1 5 3 23.0 2.5 0.278 LUCENT TECH. ROYALS 0 6 2 17.0 1.0 0.125

	NORTH	DIVISIO	NC	04	-04-1999	9	
					GAME	MATCH	
TEAM NAME		W	L	D	<b>POINTS</b>	POINTS	PCT
EXEMPLARS		7	0	1	35.5	7.5	0.938
UOP		4	2	2	30.5	5.0	0.625
MOTOROLA	-	4	3	1	26.0	4.5	0.563
SEARS		3	4	1	20.0	3.5	0.438
NORTHROP		2	4	1	15.5	2.5	0.357
KEMPER INSURA	NCE .	0	4	<sup>3</sup>	14.5	1.5	0.214
EXCALIBURS		1	4	1	12.0	1.5	0.250

EAST DIVIS	ION	0	4-(	04-1999	MATCH	
TEAM NAME	W	ı	ח	GAME POINTS	MATCH	PCT
	**	_	U	LOTHIO	LOTH 12	PCI
NATIONSBANK-CRT	7	1	1	35.5	7.5	0.833
COLUMBIA COLLEGE	6	2	1	35.5	6.5	0.722
ALUMNI ACES	5	1	2	30.5	6.0	0.750
BANK AMERICA ILLINOIS	2	4	2	16.0	3.0	0.375
LEO BURNETT	1	6	1	16.0	1.5	0.188
THE READER	0	7	1	15.5	0.5	0.063

#### The Chicago Chess Player **April 1999** 11-MAR-99 COOK CO. DEPT. OF CORR 3.5 LUCENT TECH. CHARGERS 2.5 ROUND 10 BD RATINGS SCORE RATINGS SCORE 1 WILLIAMS, K 1987-14 WARREN, J 2120 6 1 2 ALEXANDER, W 1718 -9 MARCOWKA, R 1971 6 1 3 SEATON, E 1664 17 STAMM, V 1 1573-11 0 4 HALL,A 1502 26 1 THOMAS, J 1563-18 0 5 JACKSON, S .5 1398 7 DOBR, K 1501 -3 .5 6 APPLEBERRY,T 1351 22 1 BRADY, R 1343-22 0 7 TRINIDAD, P 0 0 1 PERKINS, D 0 0 0 (CCDOC) 15-MAR-99 CASE 6 **PAWNS** 0 ROUND 10 BD RATINGS SCORE RATINGS SCORE 1 KALE,S 1887 24 1 ELLICE, W 1915-24 0 2 WHITE,H 1659 0 MIKULECKY, B 1479 0 0F 3 SATTERLEE, D 1560 0 1 SMOLARCZYK,S 0 0 0 4 KLINEFELTER.H 1559 8 1 LASKY, N 1394-13 5 KANAS, W 1262 10 1 WEISNER,T 1143-15 0 6 REID,C 1424 0 1F 0 0 0F 02-MAR-99 LUCENT TECH. TYROS 3.5 FERMILAB 2.5 ROUND 9 BD RATINGS SCORE RATINGS SCORE 1 STEIN, P 2279 -6 .5 DORIGO,T 2192 6 .5 2 TAMEZ,I 2193-31 SPIEGEL, L 2061 20 1 3 DIAZ,P 1980 0 0 KANTAR, M 0 0 1 4 BUCHNER, R 2044 4 1 GOMEZ, G 1658 -4 0 5 BLAZIE, J 1715 16 1 GAINES, I 1743-16 0 6 SMITH, BR 1542 23 1 PARA,A 1545-23 0 02-MAR-99 ARGONNE ROOKS 3 LUCENT TECH. DRAGONS 3 ROUND 9 BD RATINGS SCORE RATINGS SCORE 1 BENEDEK,R 2136 -4 .5 LUDWIG,T 2053 4 .5 2 HILL.R 1971 21 1 TEGEL, F 2127-14 0 3 GOLCHERT, B 1905 0 OF ALTSHULLER, D 1832 0 1F 4 SUAREZ, E 1720 29 1 CHRISTIAN, R 1815-19 0 5 BAURAC, D 1690-16 0 EUSTACE.D 1658 25 1 6 GARCIA, J 1198 20 .5 PIAO,T 1637-20 .5

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17-MAR ROUND	-99 FERMILAB		4.5	ARGONNE ROOK	S	1.5
KOUND		5				
	BD	RATINGS			RATINGS	
	1 DORIGO,T	2198-27		BENEDEK,R	2132 18	1
	2 SPIEGEL,L	2081 11		HILL,R	1992-11	. 0
•	3 KOZLOVSKY,M	2085 15		KABELAC,J	1968-15	0
	4 KANTAR,M	0 0		GREEN,D	1845 0	0
	5 GOMEZ,G	1654 24		BAURAC,D	1674-16	0
	6 STAPLES,C	1392-11	.5	GARCIA,J	1218 11	.5
24-MAR	-99 LUCENT TECH. R	OYALS	2.5	LUCENT TECH:	TYROS	3.5
ROUND	10	1				3.3
	BD	RATINGS	SCORE		RATINGS	SCORE
	1 PEIJFFERS,S			STEIN,P	2273 10	
	2 GUIO,J	2042 30		TAMEZ,I	2162-30	
	3 DOBROVOLNY,C			DIAZ,P	1980-34	
	4 KESTNER,M				1858-19	
	5 CARRANO,C	0 0		SMITH, BR	1565 0	
	6 MCPHAIL,C	0 0		THOMAS, G	1530 0	
	7 SAVCIC,V	0 0	0	MEHTA,C	1465 0	
30-MAR- ROUND	-99 ARGONNE ROOKS		.5	LUCENT TECH.	TYROS	5.5
	BD	RATINGS	SCORE		RATINGS	SCORE
	1 BENEDEK,R	2150-10		STEIN,P	2283 14	1
	2 HILL,R	1981 -9	0	TAMEZ,I	2132 13	ī
	3 GREEN,D	1845 -7	0	BUCHNER, R	2048 11	
	4 SUAREZ,E	1749-11	0	DIAZ,P	1946 11	1
	5 BAURAC,D	1658 7		STOLTZ,B	1839-11	.5
	6 GARCIA,J	1229 -6	0	SMITH,BR	1565 6	1
09-MAR-	-99 EXEMPLARS	•••	4	MOTOROLA	$\varepsilon$	
ROUND			7	MUTUKULA		2
	BD	RATINGS	SCODE		DATTHEC	
	1 BENESA,A	2286 15		LIACANIV	RATINGS	
	2 INUMERABLE, F	2300 5		HASAN, Y	2162-15	0
	3 GAZMEN, E	2099 11		WALLACH, C	2032 -8	
	4 SOLLANO, E	1962 0		ABBOTT, J	1913-11	0
	5 FRISKE,T	1957 10		PIPARIA, J	0 0	1
	6	0 0		AUGSBURGER, L	1749-10	0
(MTRL A)	7 THOMSON,J	1507 35		THOMSON, J	1507 0	1F
Cinchy	1110000011,0	T261 22	1	GONCHAROFF, N	1734-16	0

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09-MAR-99 NORTHROP	1.	5 UOP	4.5
ROUND 8			1.5
BD	RATINGS SCO	RE	RATINGS SCORE
1 MININ,S	2112 29 1		
2 WALKER,A			
3 VIGANTS,A		SAJBEL,P	
4 FONG,R			
5 ELEK,G	1086 -1 0		
6 PATRICK,J	0 0 0	SCHOONOVER, M	—·
18-MAR-99 SEARS	4	KEMPER INSURAN	ICE 2
ROUND 8		WENTER TRISORAN	2
BD	RATINGS SCOR	RE	RATINGS SCORE
1 LATIMER,E		SIWEK,M	2007 18 1
2 MILLER,T	1861 14 1	EASTON, R	1728-14 0
3 SIMS,L	1835 5 1	NALLATHAMBI,R	
4 BALASE,E	1417-20 0	OLSEN, A	
5 WILSON,M		MCKINNEY, T	
6 CUMBERLAND, M		ROSZKOWSKI,D	- <del>-</del>
25-MAR-99 UOP	3	EXEMPLARS	3
ROUND 9			
BD	RATINGS SCOR	E	RATINGS SCORE
1 STEVANOVIC,M		BENESA,A	2301-29 0
2 BUERGER,E		INUMERABLE, F	2305-25 0
3 SAJBEL,P	1815 -5 0	GAZMEN,E	2110 7 1
4 BOLDINGH, E	1865-11 0	•	1962 16 <b>1</b>
5 TRUFANOV,D	0 0 0	FRISKE,T	1967 0 1
6 LECHNICK, J	1812 0 1F		0 0 0F
7 MICKLICH, F	1635 4 1	SCHOONOVER, M	1326 -7 0 (UOP )
8 VAN ZILE,C	1316 15 1	ALLEN,R	1200-15 0 (UOP )
01-APR-99 MOTOROLA	2.5	SEARS	3.5
ROUND 9			
BD	RATINGS SCOR	E	RATINGS SCORE
1 HASAN,Y	2147-28 0	LATIMER, E	2066 18 1
2 ABBOTT,J	<b>190</b> 2 -2 .5	•	1875 2 .5
3 PIPARIA,J	0 0 0	SIMS,L	1840 0 1
4 GONCHAROFF,N	1718-14 0	LANGER, D	1575 31 1
5 BALICKI,J	1590 5 1	WILSON, M	1236 -5 0
6 THOMSON,J	1542 0 1	CUMBERLAND, M	0 0 0

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0

1

BARGERSTOCK, D

SITAR,K

1728 22

1649-23

1

1725-22

1638 23

5 PRATTS,M

6 STEVENS, J

NAME	TEAM	W	L	D	RATING	I NAME	TEAM	W	L	D	RATING
ADDOTT 3		_	_								11712110
ABBOTT, J	MTRLA	3	1	1	1900#	CHRISTIAN,R	DRGNS	2	2	2	1796C
ADARE, A	WHEAT	0	0	0	0000/1	CUMBERLAND, M	SEARS	1	5	0	1360≇
ADHIKARI, G	CASE	0	2	0	0000/3		KEMPR	0	4	0	1469C
ALEXANDER, W	CCDOC	2	7	0	1709*	CURTIS,M	NORTH	0	0	0	1971
ALLEN, H	ALUMN	0	0	0	1960	CZERNIECKI,A	ALUMN	3	3	2	1995D
ALLEN,R	UOP	0	3	0	1185#	CZOSKE,M	ROYLS	1	1	0	128 <del>9</del> ≠
ALTSHULLER, D	DRGNS	4	1	1	1832*	DACANAY, D	PSIPR	0	0	0	0000/2
ANDERSON, CJ	ROYLS	0	0	0	1454	DAVIDSON, M	ALUMN	1	0	0	1611
ANSELL,S	ROOKS	0	0	0	1866*	DAVIS,R	PSIPR	0	0	0	923≠
APATA,D	ROYLS	0	3	0	0000/1	DECMAN,S	ROOKS	1	0	0	1648D
APPLEBERRY,T	CCDOC	7	1	1	1373	DELEON, J	CRT	1 "	0	0	1619
ATKINSON,J	READR	2	3	3	1899C	DEMICK, D	WHEAT	0	0	0	1327#
AUGSBURGER, L	MTRLA	1	2	1	1739C	DEPERALTA,A	PSIPR	0	0	0	1696
BALASE, E	SEARS	2	2	0	<b>/</b> 1397	DESAI,N	MTRLA	1	2	0	0000/1
BALICKI, J	MTRLA	1	1	1	1595*	DIAZ,P	TYROS	4	5	0	1957
BANKS, K	READR	0	1	0	0000/1	DOBR,K	CHRGR	7	ø	1	1498T
BANNON, B	LBURN	2	5	0	1173*	DOBROVOLNY, C	ROYLS	3	2	Ź	1797C
BANOS, M	MTRLA	ō	ø	0	0000/0	DORFF, M	SEARS	ø	1	1	1610
BARGERSTOCK, D	CRT	4	1	2	1750	DORIGO,T	FERMI	4	1	3	2171
BARNARD, G	CRT	3	2	ō	1157*	DROLEN, R	CASE	o O	1	0	0000/1
BAURAC, D	ROOKS	2	5	1	1665D	DUFFY, J	LBURN	2	3	3	. –
BAYSINGAR, D	LBURN	3	4	ō	1399*	EAMAN,R		1	4	3	16 <del>90</del>
BENEDEK,R	ROOKS	2	4	2	2140D	EASTON, R	LBURN Kempr	3	2	2	1669
BENESA, A	EXMPL	5	2	1	2272	EDWARDS,S		0			1714#
BERRY, G	ROOKS	ø	0	õ	2081T	ELEK, G	EXCLB		1	0	1284
BETELU, D	MTRLA	Ø	Ø	Ø	1907#		NORTH	0	5	0	1085
BEZZUBOV,V	FERMI	Ø	0	ø	2344*	ELLICE, W	PAWNS	2	5	3	1891
BLACKMON, E	ROYLS	ø	0	1		ELLIOTT,M	KNGHT	0	0	0	1281
BLAZIE, J		3	2	1	17660	ENKE,E	WHEAT	0	0	0	1463*
BLINKOFF,D	TYROS				17310	EUSTACE,D	DRGNS	4	1	0	1683C
	LBURN	0	0	0	0000/0	1	ALUMN	0	0	0	1741D
BOLDINGH, E	UOP	4	4	0	1854	FENILI,A	KNGHT	0	0	0	0000/0
BOSTICK,T	WHEAT	0	0	0	1424	FERNANDEZ,J	KEMPR	0	1 -	0	0000/0
BRADTKE, J	LBURN	0	1	0	0000/1	FLORENCE,C	MTRLA	1	0	0	0000/1
BRADY, R	CHRGR	0	4	1	1321	FONG, R	NORTH	2	4	1	1396#
BRANCH, Y	COLUM	0	0	0	1237*	FOX,P	CCDOC	3	0	0	1118#
BRAUNDMEIER, B	KEMPR	0	1	0	0000/4	FRAATS,D	BKAMI	2	2	2	1783
BRIONES, G	DRGNS	0	0	0		FRANEK, M	ALUMN	3	1	2	1751C
BROLLIER, B	WHEAT	0	0	0	1266*	FRANK,M	ALUMN	1	2	1	1812
BRONFELD, A	EXMPL	0	0	0	1829	FRIESEMA,W	CRT	0	1	1	2047 .
BROTSOS, J	EXCLB	2	1	0	1562D	FRISKE,T	EXMPL	7	1	0	1967
BROZOVICH, J	TYROS	2	1	1	1728D	FROMM, J	FERMI	0	0	0	1540
BUCHNER, R	TYROS	2	0	0	2059	FULLMER, G	MTRLA	0	0	0	0000/2
BUERGER, E	UOP	5	1	1	2056T	GAINES,I	FERMI	0	5	2	1727D
BURIAN, D	EXCLB	2	1	2	1597C	GALLA, J	MTRLA	0	1	0	0000/0
CARRANO, C	ROYLS	1	5	0	0000/5	GANSEŔ,A	BKAMI	0	4	0	1167
CARTER, D	CASE	0	0	0	1056	GARCIA,A	KEMPR	0	0	0	1819#
CARTER,M	PAWNS	0	1	0	0000/1	GARCIA,J	ROOKS	Ø	3	4	1223*
CARVER,A	PSIPR	0	0	0	0000/3	GATES,É	LBURN	Ø	5	ż	1790
CHELF,B	NORTH	0	0	0	0000/2		CCDOC	1	Õ	ō	1100*
CHOROSINSKI,L	NORTH	2	2	0		GAZMEN,E	EXMPL	6	0	2	2117
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<sup>/</sup>x - UNRATED; x RATED GAMES C - CENTURY CLUB MEMBER
# - 5 TO 9 RATED GAMES D - DOUBLE CENTURION
\* - 10 TO 24 RATED GAMES T - TRIPLE CENTURION

NAME	TEAM	W	L	D	RATING	NAME	TEAM	W	L	D	RATING
GERONA, R	CASE	2	1	2	1406	KINSELLA,G	KNGHT	α	α	a	14400
GIBBS,D	PAWNS	ō	ō	0	0000/3		FERMI	0	0	0	14490
GOLLA,R	ALUMN	4	3	1	1897D	KLINEFELTER, H	CASE	3	4	1	0000/1 1567C
GOMEZ,G	FERMI	5	1	1	1678	KOGAN, G	BKAMI	1	4	3	1868
GONCHAROFF, N	MTRLA	4	ž	1	1704Q	KOH, J	BKAMI	0	0	0	1992
GRANTHAM, D	PAWNS	ø	2 0	ō	0000/1		COLUM	2	1	ø	1523
GREEN, D	ROOKS	2	3	3	1838D	KOZLOVSKY, M	FERMI	1	ø	Ø	2100
GROEGÉR, D	COLUM	6	3	0	1712	KRAS, T	CRT	4	2	2	2219
GRYPARIS, J	MTRLA	2	2	0	1451C	KREMER,T	PAWNS	0	õ	0	1319*
GUIO, J	ROYLS	5	1	2	2072	LAMBIRIS, J	KEMPR	0	0	ø	1437
GUTIÉRREZ,R	PSIPR	0	ō	ō	0000/0		KEMPR	0	0	Ø	0000/6
HAHNE, D	ROYLS	1	2	0	1520	LANGER, D	SEARS	2	Ø	2	1606
HALL,Á	CCDOC	4	3	2	1528	LANNOYE, D	EXMPL	0	1	õ	1698*
HALL, L	SEARS	ø	Ø		<b>1</b> 566#	LASKY, N	PAWNS	2	4	1	1381C
HAMMÓND, M	BKAMI	1	7	0	1367	LATIMER, E	SEARS	1	2	ō	2084D
HANSEN, B	PAWNS	ō	Ö	0	1348	LE,D	MTRLA	2	0	Ø	0000/2
HARD,R	PAWNS	ō.	Ö	0	1193*	LECHNICK,J	UOP	2	1	2	1812*
HARRÍS,R	FERMI	Ø.	Ø	0	1554	LEE, G	AMCRP	0	ō	0	0000/1
HASAN, Ý	MTRLA	0	4	1	2119	LEONG, G	KEMPR	1	Ø	0	2019C
HASSO,S	ROYLS	2	2	ō	0000/2	LICARI,T	DRGNS	0	Ø	Ø	0000/5
HAWLEÝ, L	SEARS	õ	2	0		LITVINAS,A	ALUMN	3	1	0	1667D
HAYES, W	COLUM	5	ī	2	1928	LOGAN, H	PAWNS	1	3	1	1230
HAZELWOOD,R	CCDOC	0	Ø	0	0000/1	LOPEZ,C	CCDOC	ō	Ø	Õ	0000/0
HELLER,T	WHEAT	0	0	0	1148*	LOSOFF,A	CRT	3	2	1	1834
HENDERSON, H	READR	4	3	1	1834	LOUGHEED, S	NORTH	Ø	õ	ō	0000/1
HILL,R	ROOKS	6	3	0	1972C	LUDWIG,M	WHEAT	0	Ø	Ö	0000/1
HODINA,J	AMCRP	0	0	0	2111	LUDWIG, T	DRGNS	2	5	1	2057C
HOLMES, M	AMCRP	0	0	0	1415*	MACKIE,A	MTRLA	ō	ő	ō	1967
HORTON, D	MTRLA	0	1	0	1836	MAKAI,M	KNGHT	Ø	Ø	0	1799*
HOUPIS, G	NORTH	0	0	0	0000/1	MARCOWKA,R	CHRGR	8	3	0	1977D
HUGHES, N	KEMPR	0	0	0	1827C	MAREMA, D	PSIPR	Ŏ	0	0	2004
INUMERABLE, F	EXMPL	5	1	0	2280C	MARQUEZ, N	READR	0	7	ø	1192*
JACKSON, S	CCDOC	4	4	2	1405	MARSH, M	READR	2	6	ő	1147
JACOBY,W	NORTH	0	0	0	0000/1	MARVIŃ, C	LBURN	ō	ő	Õ	0000/2
JAKSTAS,K	ALUMN	1	1	0	2169C	MCALISTER,K	COLUM	4	3	2	1967
JASAITIS,A	CRT ·	6	2	1	2129C	MCCARTHY, D	CHRGR	3	0	0	1679#
JEFFERIES,P	CCDOC	0	0	0	0000/1		CCDOC	1	2	0	0000/7
JEFFRIES,P	CCDOC	0	0	0	0000/0	MCKAY,P	PAWNS	1	0	0	1415#
JOHNSON,W	CCDOC	0	0	0	1176*	MCKINNEY,T	KEMPR	2	3	0	1276
JONES,K	SEARS	0	1	1	1494#	MCPHAIL,C	ROYLS	0	1	0	0000/2
JOSEPHSON,D	WHEAT	0	0	0	1721*	MEDINA, L	ROYLS	0	1	0	0000/0
KABELAC,J	ROOKS	2	5	0	1953	MEHTA,C	<b>TYROS</b>	1	1	1	1465#
KALE,S	CASE	6	4	0	1911	MELNIKOV,I	MTRLA	0	2	1	2040
KANAS,W	CASE	3	2	1	1272C	MICKLICH, F	UOP	6	1	1	1639C
KANTAR, M	FERMI	- 4	0	1	2219#	MIKULECKÝ,B	PAWNS	2	3	1	1479C
KARPIERZ,J	TYROS	2	1	1	1237*	MILLER,T	SEARS	2	4	1	1877
KELLOGG, K	FERMI	0	0	0	1607C	MININ,S	NORTH	5	2	ō	2141
KELLY,S	DRGNS	0	0	0	1281	MOLINA,J	FERMI	3	0	0	0000/1
KERCSMAR,J	WHEAT	0	0	0	0000/0	MONTGOMERY, J	WHEAT	0	0	0	1456
KESTNER, M	ROYLS	0	3	1	1485	MORRIS,R	MTRLA	0	0	0	2144

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MOTYCKA,R	CASE	0	0	0	1134C	SAXENA,D	ROYLS	4	2	0	1566#
MURPHY, j	CRT	2	0	0	2027	SCHMUGGEROW, K	NORTH	0	0	0	1566#
MYART,Ý	CCDOC	0	0	ø	0000/3		UOP	3	5	0	2144
NAIR,Ú	DRGNS	ø	ø	ø.	1827	SEATON, E	CCDOC	2	3	- 3	1319*
NALLÁTHAMBI,R	KEMPR	2	2	ø	1480	SEN, S	UOP	1	2	1	1681
O'DELL,DW ´	PAWNS	Õ	4	ø	1467C	SHAFF,R	TYROS	0	0	0	0000/3 1515C
OELHAFÉN,A	<b>EXCLB</b>	1	2	0	1263	SHATSKY, V	CRT	4	1	Ø	1608
OGASAWARÁ,L	ROYLS	1	1	0	1820C	SHAWN, L	KEMPR	0	Ö	0	0000/2
OLSEN,A	KEMPR	1	5	1	1477	SHENOUDA, RAFE	TYROS	ø	Ø	0	1665*
PARA,A	FERMI	0	2	0	1522	SHENOUDA, RUSS	TYROS	0	1	0	0000/1
PARAOAN,E	BKAMI	2	4	2	1735C	SIEGEL,J	PAWNS	ő	2	Ø	0000/1
PAREKH, C	DRGNS	0	2	1	0000/3	SIEGEL,R	BKAMI	2	1	Ø	1460C
PATEL,S	CASE	0	0	0	0000/1	SIMON, D	ROOKS	ō	ō	ő	0000/1
PATRICK,J	NORTH	1	4	0	10000/4	SIMS, B	CRT	ø	ø	ø	1494#
PEHAS,A	ROYLS	0	3	0	1934C	SIMS,L	SEARS	5	1	1	1840
PEIJFFERS,S	ROYLS	1	3	1	2036	SIRAKOV,I	KNGHT	Õ	Õ	Õ	1842#
PERKINS,D	CCDOC	0	1	0	0000/0	SITAR,K	CRT	3	3	2	1626
PETERS,E	PSIPR	0	0	0	1661	SIWEK,M	KEMPR	1	4	2	2025C
PHELPS,C	DRGNS	0	0	0	1240*	SKRZYPCZAK,T	PAWNS	ō	Ö	ō	1202*
PHELPS, D	MTRLA	0	0	0	0000/2	SLOAT,D	WHEAT	0	ø	Ŏ.	0000/1
PIAO,T	DRGNS	2	2	2	1617	SMITH, BR	<b>TYROS</b>	3	2	1	1571
PIPARIA,J	MTRLA	5	2	1	1741#	SMITH, J	MTRLA	1	ø	2	1708#
PLETT, M	UOP	3	0	2	1792	SMITH,R	SEARS	0	0	Õ	0000/1
POLONCSIK,D	SEARS	0	0	0	0000/3	SMOLARCZYK,S	PAWNS	0	5	0	0000/5
PORTANTE, E	KNGHT	0	0	0	0000/2	SOBSKI,A	NORTH	0	3	0	0000/4
PRATTS,M	COLUM	2	4	0	1703	SOLLANO,E	EXMPL	6	1	0	1978
RADAVICIUS, E	CHRGR	1	0	0	1628D	SOMBONG, M	BKAMI	0	0	0	1626C
RAJA,M	ROOKS	0	0	0	1757	SORIA,D	PSIPR	0	0	0	0000/4
REID,C	CASE	4	4	1	1424C	SOSSI,M	LBURN	3	4	0	1483*
REYES,R	ALUMN	4	0	1	2377D	SPIEGEL,L	FERMI	4	3	1	2092C
RICHERT, E	WHEAT	0	0	0	0000/1	SPURRIER,T	NORTH	0	0	0	0000/0
RICHERT, P	WHEAT	0	0	0	0000/1	STALKER, M	CASE	0	0	0	0000/2
ROBERTS, N	WHEAT	0	0	0	0000/1	STAMM, V	CHRGR	4	4	1	1562D
ROBINSON, J	DRGNS	1	3	0	0000/2	STANFIELD,D	CCDOC	0	0	0	0000/0
ROJO, V	CCDOC	3	2	1	1387	STAPLES, C	FERMI	4	1	2	1381*
ROMENOWSKI,G	PAWNS	0	0	0	0000/0	STEIN, P	TYROS	7	0	2	2297
ROSLEY,D ROSZKOWSKI,D	CHRGR	2	0	2	1764	STEVANOVIC, M	UOP	3	3	1	2216D
ROYTBURG, E	KEMPR CASE	1	5	0	0000/3	STEVENS, J	COLUM	5	0	1	1661
RZESZUTKO,R		1	1	2	2012*	STINSON, L	PAWNS	0	1	0	0000/1
SACKS,D	ALUMN UOP	0	1	0	1900C	STINSON, M	ROYLS	1	1	1	1955C
SAGALOVSKY, L	ALUMN	3 7	0	3	1836	STOCKE, M	PSIPR	0	0	0	1758
SAJBEL,P	UOP		1 3	0	1968	STOLTZ,B	TYROS	1	3	3	1828C
SALERNO,S	DRGNS	3	1	1 0	18100	SUAREZ, E	ROOKS	3	3 2 2 3	0	1738
SAMELSON, C	MTRLA	3	2	0	0000/2 1917C	SUERTH, F	EXCLB	1	2	3	1607C
SANDEFUR, B	CCDOC	1	4.	0	1214*	SULLIVAN, C	READR	4	3	0	1497
SANTIAGO,T	COLUM	5	3	0	2130	SULLIVAN, J	EXCLB	2	1	1	1935D
SATTERLEE, D	CASE	2	3	2	1560C	TAMEZ,I	TYROS	5	3	1	2145
SAVCIC,V	ROYLS	0	3	0		TAN,M TEGEL,F	WHEAT	0	0	0	1186
SAWIN, B	LBURN	ø	2	Ő		THOMAS, G	DRGNS	3 1	5 0	0	2113T
•		-	_	_		, 0	TYROS	Τ.	v	0	1530C

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THOMAS,J	CHRGR	5	2	0	1545C	WARD,C	DRGNS	0	0	0	1636D
THOMSON, J	MTRLA	6	0	1	1542*	WARREN,J	CHRGR	5	0	4	21260
TOELLNER,T	ROOKS	0	0	0	0000/4	WEBER, L	EXMPL	3	0	0	2169
TORRES,V	PSIPR	0	0	0	0000/4	WEISNER,T	PAWNS	0	4	2	1128
TRINIDAD,P	CCDOC	1	3	0	0000/2	WEITZ,R	EXCLB	1	2	0	1570C
TRUFANOV, D	UOP	0	1	0	0000/1	WENTLING, C	READR	1	4	1	15 <del>3</del> 90
TURNER,K	PSIPR	0	0	0	1455	WHARTON, P	WHEAT	0	0	0	0000/2
UNDERWOOD,W	EXCLB	1	0	0	1956C	WHITE, H	_CASE	2	1	1	16590
VACCARO,M	COLUM	0	0	9	1441#	WILLIAMS,K	CCDOC	4	1	1	1973
VALLIERE,D	WHEAT	0	0	0	0000/2	WILSON, M	SEARS	1	5	0	1231
VAN ZILE,C	UOP	3	3	1	1331	WOLF,D	MTRLA	1	1	0	2312
VANDECOTTE, M	UOP	0	0	0	0000/3	WONG,P	EXCLB	1	0	0	2221C
VELEZ,L	NORTH	0	0	0	0000/3	WONG, PETER	CASE	1	1	1	0200/4
VERMA,S	PSIPR	0	0	0	0000/3	WOOD, L	AMCRP	0	0	0	1439*
VIGANTS,A	NORTH	2	4	1	1618	YACOUT,A	KNGHT	0	0	0	1547*
WALKER,A	NORTH	1	5	1	1664*	YOUSSEF,S	FERMI	0	0	0	2832
WALKER, C	KEMPR	2	3	0	1690	ZELIGMAN,E	KEMPR	0	1	0	0000/1
WALLACH,C	MTRLA	2	2	2	2024	ZOELLNER,J	BKAMI	4	3	1	1451C

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#### **NEAR WEST DIVISION TOP TEN**

WARREN, J	CHRGR 2126Q	
ROYTBURG, E	CASE 2012*	
MARCOWKA,R	CHRGR 1977D	
WILLIAMS,K	CCDOC 1973	
KALE,S	CASE 1911	
ELLICE.W	PAWNS 1891	

KALE,S CASE 1911
ELLICE,W PAWNS 1891
ROSLEY,D CHRGR 1764
ALEXANDER,W CCDOC 1709\*

SEATON,E CCDOC 1681 WHITE,H CASE 1659C

#### FAR WEST DIVISION TOP TEN

BEZZUBOV,V	FERMI	2344*
STEIN,P	TYROS	2297
DORIGO,T	FERMI	2171
TAMEZ,I	TYROS	2145
BENEDEK, R	ROOKS	2140D
TEGEL, F	DRGNS	2113T
KOZLOVSKY,M	FERMI	2100
SPIEGEL,L	FERMI	2092C
BERRY, G	ROOKS	2081T
GUIO.J	ROYI S	2072

#### NORTH DIVISION TOP TEN

WOLF, D	MTRLA	2312
INUMERABLE, F	EXMPL	2280C
BENESA, A	EXMPL	2272
WONG, P	<b>EXCLB</b>	2221C
STEVANOVIC,M	UOP	2216D
WEBER, L	EXMPL	2169
SCHMUGGEROW, K	NORTH	2144
MORRIS,R	MTRLA	2144
MININ,S	NORTH	2141
HASAN, Y	MTRLA	2119

#### EAST DIVISION TOP TEN

REYES,R	ALUMN	2377D
KRAS,T	CRT	2219
JAKSTAS,K	ALUMN	2169C
SANTIAGO,T	COLUM	2130
JASAITIS,A	CRT	2129C
FRIESEMA, W	CRT	2047
MURPHY, J	CRT	2027
CZERNIECKI,A	ALUMN	1995D
KOH,J	BKAMI	1992
SAGALOVSKY, L	ALUMN	1968

#### **MOST IMPROVED PLAYERS**

GUIO,J	ROYLS	142
APPLEBERRY,T	CCDOC	138
GOMEZ,G	FERMI	122
STAPLES,C	FERMI	114
SULLIVAN,C	READR	108
STEIN,P	TYROS	86
MININ,S	NORTH	86
KALE,S	CASE	83
STEVENS, J	COLUM	79
THOMSON, J	MTRLA	71

#### CICL vs. the Concordia Community Chess Club (CCCC)\*

\*Formerly known as the Oak Park Chess Club

All CICL players are welcomed to participate in this upcoming club match. Although the Oak Park Chess Club has changed name and location, the CCCC is basically the same bunch of players who have just moved across the street from their old site.

#### **DETAILS:**

Date: Tuesday, April 13, 1999

Time: All clocks start at 7:30 p.m. (please plan to be there by 7:15 p.m.)

Time Control: 45 moves / 90 min., followed by SD in 30 min.

Place: NOTE-NEW LOCATION!! Across the street from the old Priory playing site: Play will be in the Koehneke Community Center on the Concordia University campus. This building is on the Southwest corner of Division and Bonnie Brae Streets, behind Grace Lutheran Church. (see map and directions below)

Pre-register: for a rough head count, please check in with Pat Sajbel (phone and e-mail below)

Thank you.

Pat Sajbel (847) 391-2134 (W), preferred (847) 506-9302 (H) e-mail: posajbel@uop.com

#### DIRECTIONS:

- 1. Take the Eisenhower to Harlem Ave., then go a few miles North -or- Take North Avenue to Harlem Ave., then go a few blocks south
- Turn West from Harlem Ave on to Division Street {Landmarks: NE corner is Amoco, SW corner is 7-11 store}
- 3. After one block, there will be a large church on your left at Bonnie Brae Street. The Koehneke Center is behind the church.

(refer to map)

# North South

# CONCORDIA COMMUNITY C.C

CICL VS CCCC

Tuesday, April 13th

7:30 pm Start (no grace period) I/C. 45/90, SD/30

Dominican Priory

7 Eleven

Lutheran Church

2. exit North on HARLEM.

3. Go to DIVISION ST.

and turn West.

1. Take Eisenhower to

HARLEM AVE.

Concordia University

is behind Grace Lutheran Church. 5. Walk down Bonnie Brae. Building

4. Park on DIVISION ST.

**EISENHOWER EXPRESSWAY** 

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# **CICL Winter Blitz**

by Tony Jasaitis / Len Augsburger- assisting

Eight players duked it out for CICL blitz chess supremacy at the second annual CICL Winter Blitz tournament held at Oberweis Dairy in Arlington Heights on Saturday, March 12th.

Jim Thomson of Motorola and Richard Easton of Kemper tied for first, though Richard did win his matchup against Thomson. Things got tight in the end as Carl Reid of Case held a very strong position against Easton, but could not hold the game together long enough. Jeff Balicki of Motorola faced Thomson in the last round for a share of first place (both players starting the game with 5 points), but lost to Thomsom in a less than close contest. Jim's blitz game has improved appreciably over the last year or two as he has battled the best of Motorola's blitz players on a regular basis at the weekly club meetings.

Once again, at least one player felt that ice cream helps make an excellent tournament site venue for children, and Jim Galla's two boys, who both have some understanding of speed chess, mercilessly hounded him until he managed to win a game against Reid towards the end of the tournament.

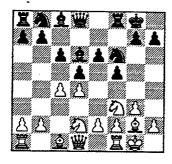
Thanks to Oberweis for providing the site and Leonard Augsburger of Motorola for running the tournament.

Results are provided below.

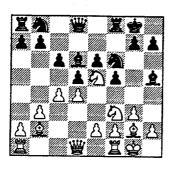
CICL Winter Blitz Saturday, March 12, 1999							Speed Rating				
										New	Change
R. Easton (Kemper)	曾	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	6	1751	+23
J. Thomson (Motorola)	0	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	1672	+49
J. Balicki (Motorola)	0	0	빨	1	1	1	1	1	5	1645	+32
C. Dobrovolny (Royals)	1	0	0	4	1	0	1	1	4	1886	-40
R. Nallathambi (Kemper)	0	0	0	0	4	1	1	1	3	1507	+25
D. Green (Rooks)	0	0	0	1	0	4	1	1	3	1898	-60
J. Galla (Motorola)	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	1	1	1420	(New)
C. Reid (Case)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	ౄ	0	1207	-20

Benedek, R (2164) – Stein, Peter (2221) [A90] Rooks-Tyros, 09.12.1998

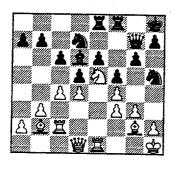
1.d4 f5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.g3 e6 4.Bg2 d5 5.c4 c6 6.Nbd2 Bd6 7.0-0 0-0



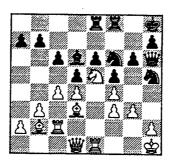
8.b3 Bd7 9.Bb2 Be8 10.Ne5 Bh5 11.Ndf3



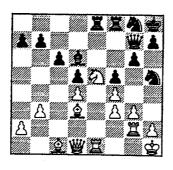
11...Bxf3 [11...Ne4 idea -g5 & Qf6] 12.exf3! Now the center remains blocked and White attempts to pile up on backward Pe6 12...Nbd7 13.f4 Qe7 14.f3 Kh8 15.Re1 Rae8 16.Kh1 g6 17.Rc1 Qg7 18.Rc2 Nh5



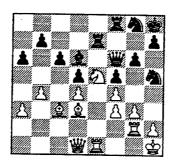
19.Bf1 Ndf6 20.Bd3 Qh6



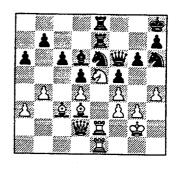
threat Nxg3+ 21.Rg2 Kg2 would allow immediate Rce2, but then Rg8 & g5 may open up the King. 21...Qg7 22.Bc1 stopping -g5 22...Ng8 23.cxd5 exd5



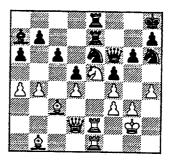
Finally an open file! 24.Bd2 Re7 25.b4 a6 26.a3 Qf6 27.Bc3



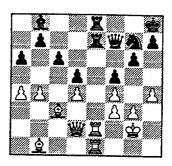
27...Ng7 28.Qd2 Ne6 29.Rge2 Rfe8 30.h4 Nh6 31.Kg2



31...Bb8 32.a4 Ba7 33.Bb1



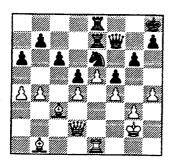
33...Nf7 34.Nxf7+ Qxf7 35.Re5 Bb8 36.R5e2 Ng7



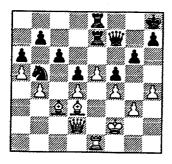
37.Re5

Probably judging the closed center stops any R action, the e-passer may become a threat, and setting up a superb finish!

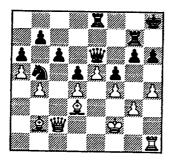
37...Bxe5 38.fxe5 Ne6 39.f4



39...Nf8 40.a5 Ne6 41.Bd3 Nc7 42.Kf2 Nb5

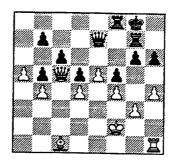


43.Bb2 keeping B to watch his Ps! -h6 then -g5 could open things up 43...Qe6 44.Ra1 h6 45.Rh1 Rg7 46.Qc2

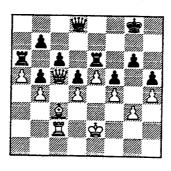


Pg6 now must stay to cover Pf5 46...Rf8 47.Qc5 Kg8 48.Bc1 Qe7 49.Bxb5

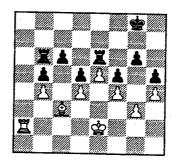
the B wasn't doing anything. Watch how Black uses this subtle P-chain change 49...axb5



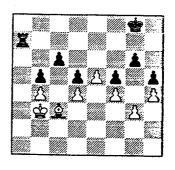
50.Bd2 h5 Interesting move, closing Kside. Did Black already see winning plan?
51.Rc1 Ra8 52.Ke2 Ra6
53.Rc2 Qd8 54.Be1 Re7
55.Bd2 Re6 56.Bc3



Black has protected all weak spots. Time to open lines! 56...b6 57.axb6 Qxb6 58.Qxb6 Rxb6 59.Ra2

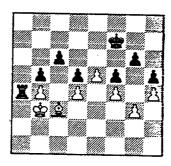


59...Re7 60.Kd3 Rbb7 61.Kc2 Ra7 62.Rxa7 Rxa7 63.Kb3



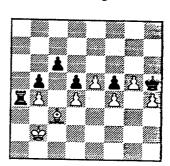
White seems to cover all invasion points, but Black actually has a forced win. CAN YOU FIND IT NOW??

63...Kf7 64.Bb2 Ke6 65.Bc3 Ra4 66.Bb2 Kf7 67.Bc3

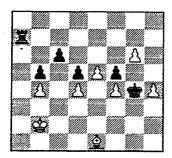


HINT: White's b-Pawn must be protected and his B can only cover dark squares. Can you get the Black King to infiltrate on the light squares?

67...g5!! 68.hxg5 Kg6 69.Kb2 h4! 70.gxh4 Kh5

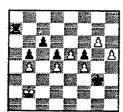


Black wins the f- or h-Pawn, but how to stop White's passers? 71.Be1 Kg4 72.g6 Ra7



White's busted 73.Bg3
[Also useless is 73.Bd2 to stop Black from making a passer. After cleaning up g/h Pawns Black brings K to e4 and wins d or f Pawn. White's King is tied to keeping R off a1-a3] 73...Rg7

[73...Kxg3?? 74.h5

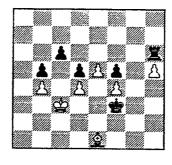


and the 3 passers win! 74...Rg7 (74...Kh4 75.h6 Kh5 76.h7 Ra8 77.g7) 75.e6 Kg4

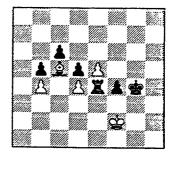
**A)** 76.h6 Rxg6 77.h7 (77.e7?? Rg8) 77...Rh6 78.e7;

**B)** 76.e7 76...Rg8 77.h6 Kh5 78.h7 Rh8 79.g7]

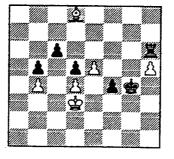
74.Kc3 Rxg6 75.Be1 Kf3 76.h5 Rh6



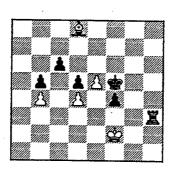
77.Bh4 If Bd2, Black wins as in White 73 note. Rh7-a7-a3+ assures White K out of the defense 77...Kxf4 78.Bd8 Kg4 79.Kd3 f4



86...f3 87.Kf1 Kg3 88.Bd6 f2 A rare and fascinating endgame! Thanks, guys!! 0-1



80.Ke2 Kf5 81.Kf3 Rxh5 82.Kf2 Rh3

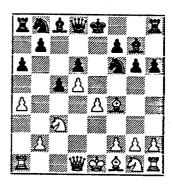


83.Bb6 Re3 84.Bc5 Kg4 85.Bd6 Re4 86.Bc5

#### Tamez, Isidro (2215) – Stinson, Marcus (1952) [A65]

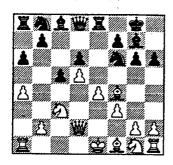
Tyros-Royals, 15.12.1998 This is one of the most interesting games I've ever studied!

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 c5 4.d5 exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.e4 a6 7.a4 g6 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bf4 Bg7

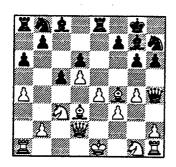


10.f3 Interesting, with idea of g4. My admittedly short experience with the Benoni featured only Nf3-d2-c4 to hit Pd6

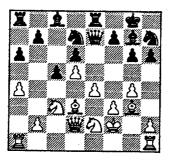
10...0-0 11.Qd2 Re8



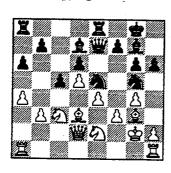
12.g4 [12.Bxh6? Nxe4 and 13-Qh4+ idea Bxh6] 12...Nh7 13.Bd3 [13.h4 controls h4] 13...Qh4+



14.Bg3 Qe7 15.Nge2 Nd7 16.Kf2



16...Ne5 17.Kg2 Bd7 18.b3



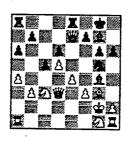
19.Raf1 Looking to push f4

[19.f4? Bxg4



20.fxg5 (20.Rhd1 Nxd3) 20...Bf3+ 21.Kg1 Bxh1 22.Kxh1 (22.gxh6 Nf3+);

OR if, from large diagram, 19.Ng1? Nxd3 20.Qxd3 Bxq4

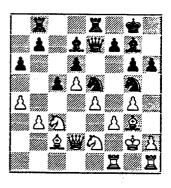


21.fxg4 Bxc3 22.Qxc3 Qxe4+ 23.Nf3 (23.Kf2 Qxh1) 23...Qe2+

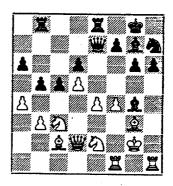


24.Bf2 (24.Kg1 Nxf3+) 24...Qxf2+ 25.Kxf2 Ne4+ and Black is 2 Ps up]

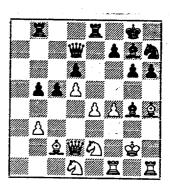
Back to game after 19 Raf1: 19...Rab8? [19...Nxd3 breaks fork, removes protector of -b5, and attacker of g6/h7] 20.Bc2



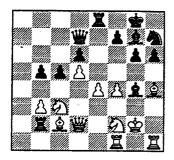
20...Nh7 avoids f4 fork 21.h3 Ne5 is trapped! 21...b5?! 22.f4 Nxg4 23.hxg4 Bxg4



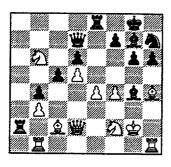
A fascinating position. White is up N for 2Ps with Rs pointing K-ward, but his minors all suck. Blacks Bs are active, has active P moves, and can attack weak e4 24.Bh4 Qd7 [24...Qb7!? hoping to undermine d5 (eventual -b4 and -f5) and open line to K. Also provides a retreat for Bg4] 25.axb5 axb5 26.Nd1



26...Ra8 27.Nf2 Ra2! Black has annoying pins along 2nd rank 28.Nc3 Rb2

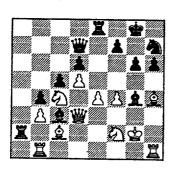


29.Rb1 b4 sending the N to better pastures 30.Na4 Ra2 31.Nb6!

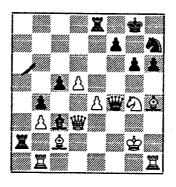


placing the N on a strong square for free! Watch this N dance to q3.

31...Qb7 32.Nc4 White takes advantage of the hanging Bg4 and Pd6 32...Bc3 33.Qd3 Qd7



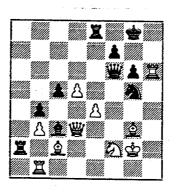
34.Nxd6? probably misjudging Black's 35th [34.Ne3! attacking Bg4 & freeing Q of Bc2 defense 34...Bh5 35.Nf1 idea Ng3-e2-c3; 34.Nb6 is interesting now because 34...Qb7 35.Nxg4 Qxb6 36.Nxh6+ is possible since Black moved 32 -Bc3 (compare with move 31)] 34...Qxd6 35.Nxg4 Qxf4



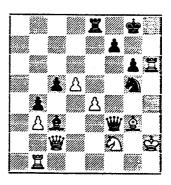
36.Nf2 Ng5? [36...Be5 threatens 37 -g5 38 Bg3 Qg3+ 39 Qxg3 Bxg3 40 Kxg3 Rxc2 37.Rbc1; 36...Nf6 idea: Nh5 & Be5 37.Bg3 Qg5



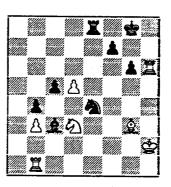
38.Rh3 (38.Kf3 to trap Q with Bf4 38...Nh5) ] 37.Bg3 Qf6 38.Rxh6



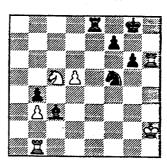
38...Rxc2! 39.Qxc2 Qf3+ 40.Kh2



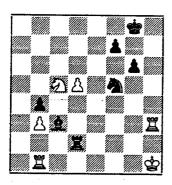
40...Nxe4 41.Qd3 Qxd3 42.Nxd3



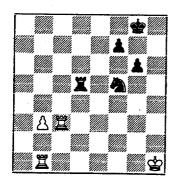
Black seems to be a R down! 42...Nxg3! (not) 43.Nxc5 [43.Kxg3 Re3+] 43...Nf5



44.Rh3 Re2+ 45.Kh1 Rd2



to get behind the P, but... 46.Ne4 Rd4 47.Nxc3 bxc3 48.Rxc3 Rxd5



White has rid himself of Black's best piece Bc3 49.b4 Rb5 50.Kg2

[50.Rc5? since the Rooks attack well, and the Black R is defensive, don't offer trade! All variations have the theme of bringing K to protect b-passer and let the Rook(s) roam!

A) 50...Rxc5 51.bxc5



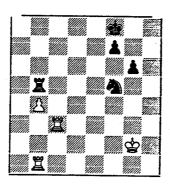
**A1)** 51...Ne7 52.Rb6 Kf8 (52...Nd5 53.Rd6) 53.c6 Ke8 54.Rb8+;

**A2)** 51...Nd4 52.Rb6 Kf8 53.c6 Ke7 54.c7 Kd7 55.Rd6+!:

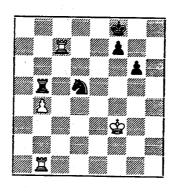
A3) 51...Kf8 52.Rb7 Nd4 53.Kg2 is similar to game, except each side has another Rook;

B) 50...Rb6 51.b5 Nd6 is similar to game, except Black back one rank]

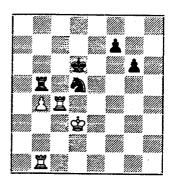




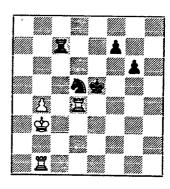
51.Rc7 51...Ne3+ 52.Kf3 Nd5



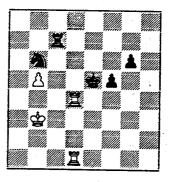
53.Rc4 [53.Rc5? Rxb4] 53...Ke7 54.Ke4 Ke6 55.Kd3 Kd6



56.Rd4 [56.Kc2? idea Kb3 56...Ne3+] 56...Rb7 57.Kc4 Rc7+ 58.Kb3 Ke5

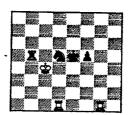


59.Rbd1 [59.Rh4 g5 60.Re1+ forces K to decide, and White attacks the other way!] 59...Nb6 60.b5 f5

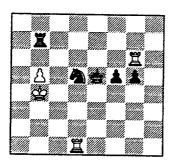


61.Rd6 Rb7 62.Kb4

[62.Rxg6 Nd5 63.Rgg1 Rxb5+ 64.Kc4

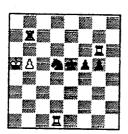


Back to last column..... 62...g5 63.Rg6 Nd5+



64.Kc5?

[64.Kc4?? Ne3+; 64.Ka4?? Nc3+; 64.Ka5



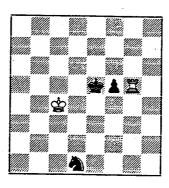
only move, and best anyhow A) 64...Ra7+ 65.Ra6 Rg7 (65...Rxa6+ 66.bxa6) 66.b6 f4 (66...g4 67.Ra7 Rg8 68.b7) 67.Ra7;

B) 64...Nc3 65.Re1+ and 66 b6:

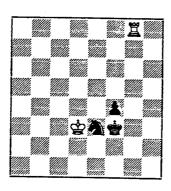
C) 64...g4 65.Ka6 Re7 66.b6 Nb4+ 67.Kb5 Nc2 68.Rc1 Nd4+ 69.Ka6 Nb3 70.Re1+]

64...Rxb5+! 65.Kxb5 Nc3+ 66.Kc4 Nxd1 67.Rxg5

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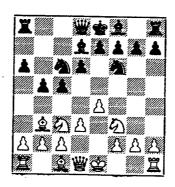


67...Ke4 68.Rg8 Ne3+ 69.Kc3 Kf3 70.Kd3 f4

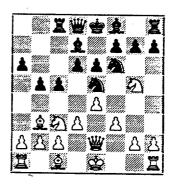


71.Rf8 Ng2 72.Kd2 Kf2 1/2-1/2

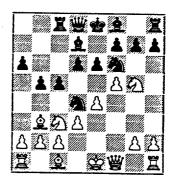
Mehta, Chand (1481) – Saxena, Deepak [B51] Tyros-Royals, 15.12.1998 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 d6 4.Bb5 Bd7 5.d3 a6 6.Ba4 b5 7.Bb3 Nf6



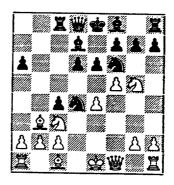
8.Ng5 e6 9.f3 Ne5 10.Qe2 Rc8



11.f4 Nc6 12.f5 Nd4 13.Qf1

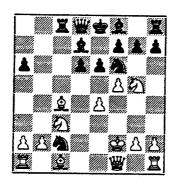


13...c4! Very strong, Black removes the defender of c2, setting up the standard N-fork, 14.dxc4 bxc4

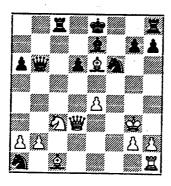


15.Bxc4 [15.Ba4 Bxa4 16.Nxa4 still allows Nc2+ fork]

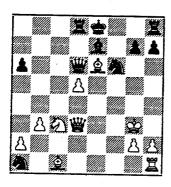
15...Nxc2+ 16.Kf2



16...Qb6+ Another calm move. Black flushes K out, taking advantage of the Nc2 coverage of e3, so that Be3 not possible! 17.Kg3 Nxa1 18.Qd3 Be7 19.fxe6 fxe6 20.Nxe6 Bxe6 21.Bxe6

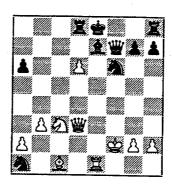


Black's K is stuck in center, but is quite safe 21...Rd8 22.b3 d5! opens lines to K and attacks Be6! 23.exd5 Qd6+

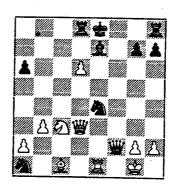


24.Kf2 [24.Bf4?? Nh5+ wins B]

24...Qxe6! taking advantage of the Pd5 pin 25.Re1 Qf7 26.d6



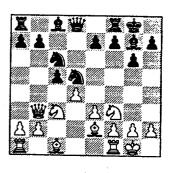
Pd6 is still pinned, so there's actually no threat to Be7 yet. Black finds a nice combo to finish up quickly! 26...Ne4+27.Kg1 [27.Ke2 Qf2+ 28.Kd1 Rxd6 wins Q; 27.Ke3 Qf2+28.Kxe4 Qxe1+ and Rd6 next, is also easy] 27...Qf2+



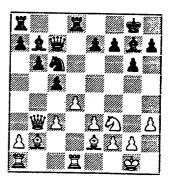
Black will mate in 2! Well done!! 0-1

Sullivan, Jim (1945) – Wallach, C (2055) [D94] Excaliburs-Motorola, 12.01.1999

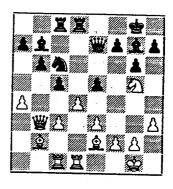
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.Nf3 0-0 5.e3 d5 6.cxd5 Nxd5 7.Be2 c5 8.0-0 Nc6 9.Qb3



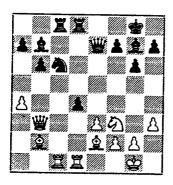
9...Nxc3 10.bxc3 b6 11.Rd1 Qc7 12.h3 Rd8 13.Bb2 Bb7



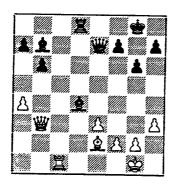
14.a4 e5 15.Rac1 Rac8 16.Ng5 Qe7



Not just hitting Ng5, also looking to the loose Be2 17.Nf3 exd4 18.cxd4 cxd4

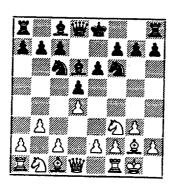


White needs to stop trades here, while only down a P 19.Bxd4 Nxd4 20.Nxd4 Rxc1 21.Rxc1 Bxd4

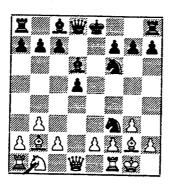


22.a5 Qg5 23.g3 Bc5 24.Kh2 Rd2 25.Re1 Bf3 26.Bxf3 Rxf2+ 27.Kh1 Rxf3 Wh resigned move 45 0-1

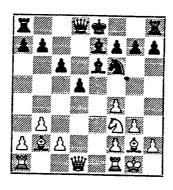
Friske, Tom (1974) – Lechtnick, Jay (1777) [D02] Exemplars-UOP, 14.01.1999 1.Nf3 d5 2.g3 Nc6 3.d4 e6 4.Bg2 Nf6 5.0-0 Bd6 6.b3



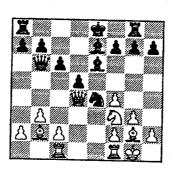
6...e5 spending an extra tempo, but assuring plenty of space for pieces 7.dxe5 Nxe5 8.Bb2 Nxf3+



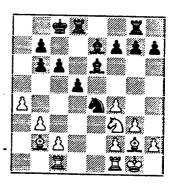
9.exf3!? hoping to use e5 and e-file [9.Bxf3 Bh3 10.Re1 idea of e4] 9...Be6 10.Nd2 Be7 11.f4 c6 12.Nf3



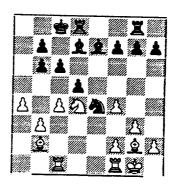
12...Rg8 13.Qd4 Ne4 14.Rac1 Qb6



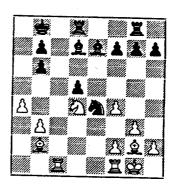
15.Qxb6 axb6 16.a4 0-0-0



17.Nd4! threatens to gain Bpair and undermine Ne5 with c4 17...Bd7 18.c4

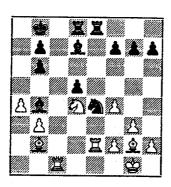


main threat: cd wins a P since Rc1 pins Pc6 18...Kb8 19.cxd5 cxd5



White has a promising position, Black has active pieces

20.Rfe1 Bb4 21.Re2 Rge8

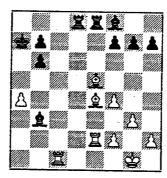


22.Nc2 idea: Ne3-d5 & Rxe4

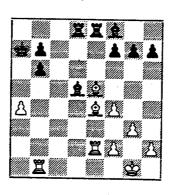
[22.Nb5!? Bxb5 23.axb5



23...f6 (23...Rc8? 24.Be5+ Ka8 25.Ra1+ White wins a piece) 24.Rd1 Bc5 25.Bxe4? dxe4 26.Rxd8+ Rxd8 27.Rxe4 Rd1+ 28.Kg2 Rd2]

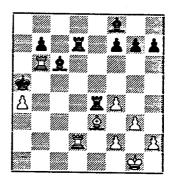


27.Rb1 [27.Rc7 Re7 (27...Bxa4 28.Rxb7+ Ka6 29.Rxf7) 28.Rxe7 Bxe7 29.Bxg7] 27...Bd5



28.Bc7?? worried about -f6 and totally miscalculated 28-Rxe4

28...Rxe4 now realized Be4 attacks Rb1 29.Bxb6+ Ka6 30.Rd2 Rd7 31.Be3 Bc6 32.Rb6+ Ka5

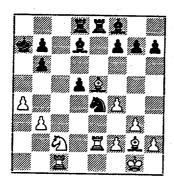


33.Rdb2

[33.Rxd7 Bxd7 34.Rxb7 Be6 35.Ra7+ Kb4



22...Bf8 23.Be5+ Ka7



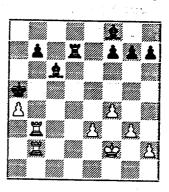
24.Ne3 [24.Bxe4 dxe4 (24...f6 25.Bxh7 fxe5 26.fxe5) 25.Rxe4 f6 26.Bc7 Rxe4 27.Bxd8] 24...Bc6 25.Nxd5 Bxd5 26.Bxe4 Bxb3

[28.Bxd5 Rxd5 29.Reb2 Re6 30.Bc7 Bc5 31.a5 bxa5 32.Rxb7+ Ka6

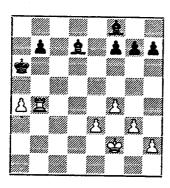


33.Bxa5 Bxf2+ (33...Re2) 34.Kxf2 Rxa5 35.Rxf7; 28.Bxh7 g6 (28...f6 29.Bc7) ]

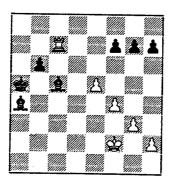
33...Rxe3 34.fxe3 Bc5 35.R6b3 Be7 36.Kf2 Bf8



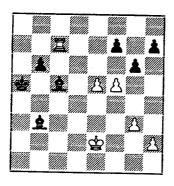
37.Ra2 Bd5 38.Rb5+ Ka6 39.Rd2 Bc6 40.Rxd7 Bxd7 41.Rb4



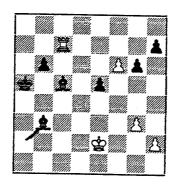
41...b6 42.e4 Ka5 43.Rc4 Bxa4 44.e5 Be7 45.Rc7 Bc5+



saves f-Pawn, but keeps bpasser from moving 46.Ke2?
to help stop b-Pawn, but
White needs a passer to
detract Bs
[46.Kf3 to help passer
46...Bb3 47.f5 as in game,
except K better placed]
46...Bb3 further blocking bPawn 47.f5 Bg1 48.Kf1
[48.h4 Bd5] 48...Bc5 49.Ke2
g6



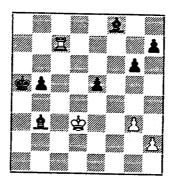
50.e6?! [50.g4 gxf5 51.gxf5 Bd4 if 46 Kf3 had been played Ke4 would now be possible (51...Bc2 52.Rxf7) ] 50...fxe6 51.f6 e5



52.f7

[52.Rxh7 Bc4+ 53.Kd2 e4 54.f7 e3+ 55.Kc3 e2]

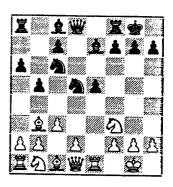
52...Bb4 if 46 Kf3, Ke4 here 53.Kd3 b5 54.f8Q Bxf8



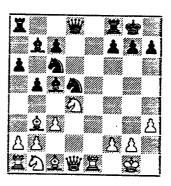
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Gomez, G (1634) - Eustace, D (1654) [C89] Fermi-Dragons, 19.01.1999

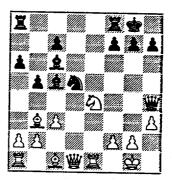
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 0-0 8.c3 d5 9.exd5 Nxd5



10.h3 10 Ne5 is the mainline Marshall Gambit 10...Bb7
11.d4 11 d3 stops lines from opening immediately
11...exd4 12.Nxd4 Bc5

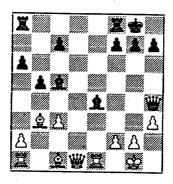


13.Nxc6 Bxc6 14.Nd2 Qh4 15.Ne4

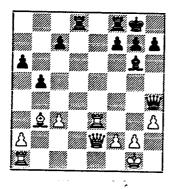


Blacks pieces swarm

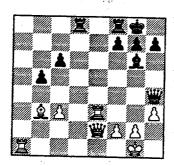
15...Nxc3! 16.bxc3 Bxe4



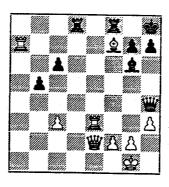
17.Be3 [17.g3?? Qxg3+]
17...Bxe3 trading away the attackers. Bd6 pressures the other diagonal to K. Eventual f5-4 looks interesting
18.Rxe3 Rad8 19.Qe2 Bg6



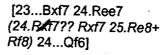
Black has gained a P but lost the initiative. 20.a4 c6 21.axb5 axb5



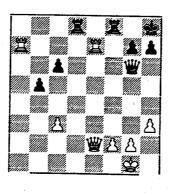
22.Ra7 Kh8 23.Bxf7?



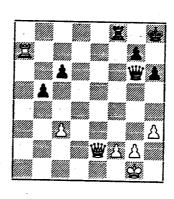
[23.Ree7] 23...Qf6?



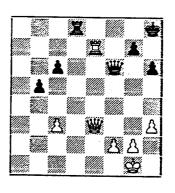
24.Bxg6 Qxg6 25.Ree7



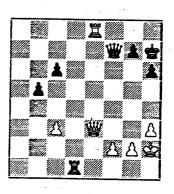
25...Rde8 26.Rf7 h6 27.Rxf8+ Rxf8



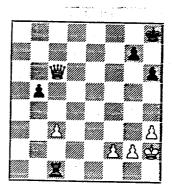
28.Re7 Qf6 29.Qe3 Rd8



30.Re6 Rd1+? the Rook is needed for backrank defense 31.Kh2 Qf7 32.Re8+ Kh7



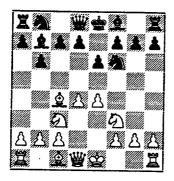
33.Qe4+ Qg6 [33...g6 34.Re7] 34.Rh8+! Kxh8 35.Qxg6 Rc1 36.Qxc6



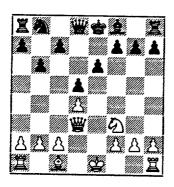
36...b4 37.Qe8+ Kh7 38.cxb4 1-0

Mikulecky, B (1451) -Seaton, E (1676) [B00] Pawns-CCDOC, 22.02.1999

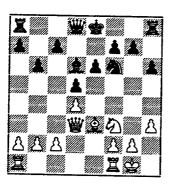
1.e4 b6 2.Nf3 Bb7 3.d4 e6 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.Bc4



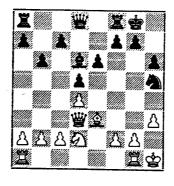
5...Nxe4 6.Nxe4 Bxe4 7.Qe2 d5 8.Bd3 Bxd3 9.Qxd3



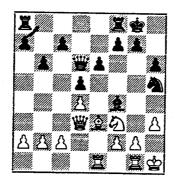
9...h6 10.0-0 Bd6 11.Be3 Nd7 12.h3 Nf6



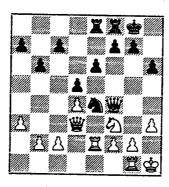
13.Nd2 0-0 14.Kh1 Nh5 15.Rg1



15...Bf4 16.Nf3 Qd6 17.Rae1



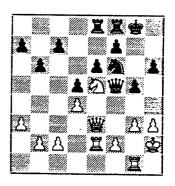
17...Nf6 18.Re2 Ne4 19.a3 Rae8 20.Bxf4 Qxf4



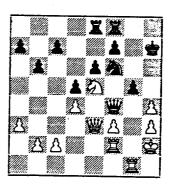
21.g3 Qf5 22.Kh2 g5



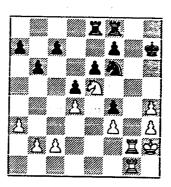
23.Qe3 Nf6 24.Ne5



24...Kh7 25.f3 h5 26.Rf2 h4 27.gxh4 Qf4+



Returning the extra P, but White's Ps are scattered 28.Qxf4 gxf4 29.Rfg2

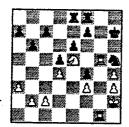


29...Nh5? [29...c5 to cause trouble with Rc8/Rb8-b3 depending how White trades Ps] 30.Ng4

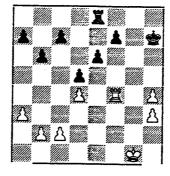
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[30.Rg5!



threat: RxN# 30...Ng3 (30...Kh6?? 31.Ng4+; 30...Nf6? 31.Nd7!) 31.Nd3]



36...f5

[36...Kg7 threat: -c5 & -Rc8.

see analysis at move 39 37.Rg4+ Kf8 38.h5 f6 39.h6

Re7

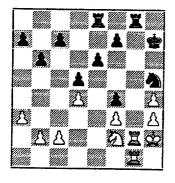
[From last diagram 39...c5 A) 40.b3 Rc8 and will invade (40...cxd4 41.Rxd4 Rc8 42.Rd3 Kh5 43.Kg3 Rg8+ 44.Kf4 Kxh4 45.Ke5 Rg6



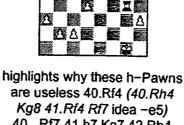
46.c4 dxc4 47.bxc4 White can't play Rd6-e6 because after R trades, K can't stop f-Pawn);

B) 40.dxc5? 40...bxc5 and e5 has the passer duo moving]

30...Rg8 31.Nf2



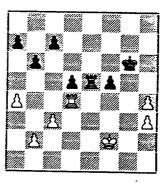
31...Rg3! 32.Nd3 Rxf3 33.Rg4



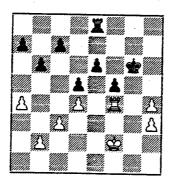
are useless 40.Rf4 (40.Rh4 Kg8 41.Rf4 Rf7 idea -e5) 40...Rf7 41.h7 Kg7 42.Rh4 **Rf81** 

37.Kf2 Kh6 38.a4 Kg6 39.c3

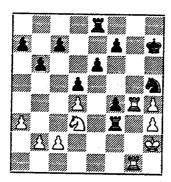
40.dxe5 Rxe5 41.Rd4



41...c5 Black is still winning 42.Rf4 Re4 43.Rxe4 fxe4 44.Ke3 Kh5 45.c4



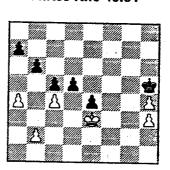
39...e5 this weakens the fpasser



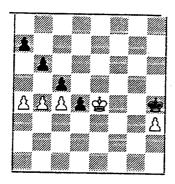
33...Rg3

[33...f5 34.Rg5 Ng3 35.Nxf4 Rxf4 36.R5xg3 Re7 (36...Rf2+? 37.Kh1 Re7 38.Rg5 Kh6 39.Rg6+ Kh7=) 37.Rg5 Rxh4]

34.Nxf4 Rxg1 35.Kxg1 Nxf4 36.Rxf4

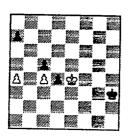


45...d4+ 46.Kxe4 Kxh4 47.b4



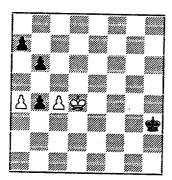
Black wins since White's King has to stay in front of d-Pawn 47...cxb4?

[47...Kxh3 48.bxc5 bxc5

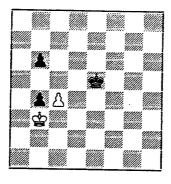


is simple]

48.Kxd4 Kxh3



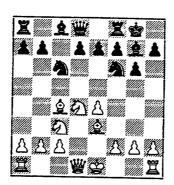
Black threatens -a5 and wins 49.a5 Kg4 [49...bxa5?? White wins with c-Pawn 50.c5 a4 51.Kc4 (51.c6 and will queen with check!) 51...a3 52.Kb3] 50.axb6 axb6 51.Kd3 Kf5 52.Kc2 Ke5 53.Kb3



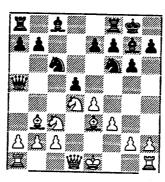
53...Kd6 [53...Ke4] 54.Kxb4 Kc6 55.Kc3 Kc5 ½-½

Guio, J (2012) – Ludwig, T (2078) [B35] Royals-Dragons, 23.02.1999

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 g6 5.Bc4 Bg7 6.Be3 Nf6 7.Nc3 0-0



8.Bb3 Qa5 9.f3 d5



taking advantage of the pinned N 10.0-0 Rd8

[10...dxe4 11.fxe4 Ng4

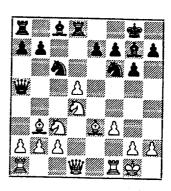


12.Nxc6 bxc6 13.Bd4



13...Ne5 idea Ba6 (or 13...Rd8? 14.Bxf7+; 13...Bxd4+ 14.Qxd4 Ba6; 13...e5? blocks Bg7 and Black has f7 to keep protected 14.Bf2 Rd8) ]

11.exd5

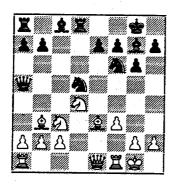


11...Nb4 to win back d-pawn, but White has seen deeper12.Qe1 looking toward the unprotected Qa5

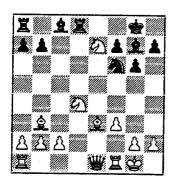
12...Nbxd5

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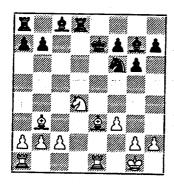
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13.Nxd5 Qxe1 14.Nxe7+l



White already has a winning position 14...Kf8 15.Rfxe1 Kxe7



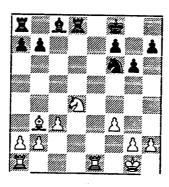
White's combo has netted a P and active pieces. This move walks Ke7 onto to a nasty square. 16.Bh6+?

[16.Nc6+!

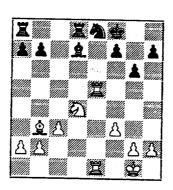


16...Kd7 (If 16...bxc6?? 17.Bc5+ Kd7 18.Re7#) 17.Rad1+ (17.Nxd8 Kxd8 \_\_18.Rad1+ Bd7) ]

16...Kf8 17.Bxg7+ Kxg7 18.c3 Kf8



19.Re5 [19.Rad1 with idea Nb5-d6] 19...Bd7 20.Rae1 Ne8

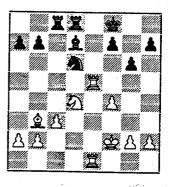


21.Kf2

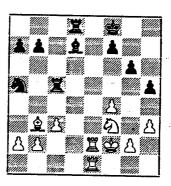
[21.Re7

A) 21...Be6? wins another P 22.Nxe6+! Kxe7 (22...fxe6 23.R7xe6 Rd2 24.R6e2) 23.Nxd8+ Kxd8 24.Bxf7; B) 21...Nd6]

21...Rac8 22.f4 Nd6



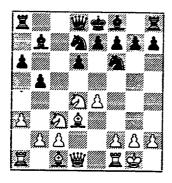
23.h3 h5 24.Re7 Nc4 25.R7e2 Rc5 26.Nf3 Na5



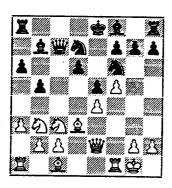
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Hasan, Y (2177) – Benesa, A (2243) [B23] Motorola-Exemplars, 09.03.1999

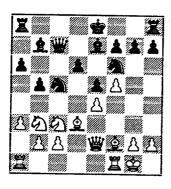
1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 a6 3.Nf3 b5 4.d4 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Bb7 6.Bd3 d6 7.0-0 Nf6 8.a3 Nbd7



9.f4 e6 10.Qe2 Qc7 11.f5 releases center pressure, what will White do now? 11...e5 12.Nb3



12...Be7 13.Be3 Qf3-g3 and/or g4 are typical White moves, but Black has the option of 0-0-0 and Kside attack! 13...Nc5 14.Bf2

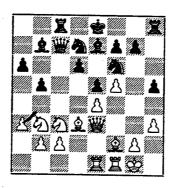


14...h5 discourages g4 & supports Ng4

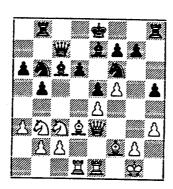
[14...d5 the normal break, just

leads to mass exchanges 15.exd5 Nxb3 (15...Nxd5 16.Nxd5 Bxd5 17.Nxc5 Bxc5 18.Bxc5 Qxc5+) 16.cxb3 Nxd5 17.Nxd5 Bxd5]

15.h3 Rc8 16.Rae1 Ncd7 17.Qe3



17...Rb8 indicating Black's plan of eventually pushing – a5 & -b4 18.Rd1 Bc6 19.Rfe1 Nb6

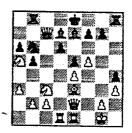


setting up -d5 and possible Nd5-f4 20.Na5 Bd7 [20...Ba8 clears d-file for Rd8 to prepare -d5] 21.Bf1 0-0

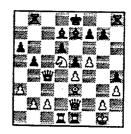
[21...h4!?



with idea Nh5-f4 then Bg5
22.Be2 (Black could play -d5
if 20 -Ba8 instead of 20 Bd7) 22...Nh5 (22...d5?
23.exd5 Bxf5 24.Nc6 is good
for White) 23.Bxh5 Rxh5
24.Qe2 Rh8 25.Be3

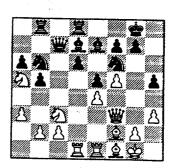


25...Nc4 26.Nxc4 Qxc4 27.Nd5



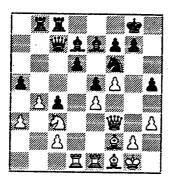
27...Bd8 (27...Qxe4?? 28.Nxe7 Kxe7 29.Bg5+); 21...Nh7? 22.Be2 Bg5? 23.Qd3 Ke7 24.Bxh5 Of course, I am playing my own game here...]

#### 22.Qf3 Rfd8



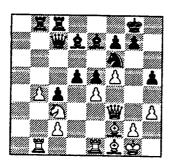
23.b4 Rdc8 [23...Rbc8 pressure down c-file and still looking to get -d5 in]

24.Rd3 Nc4 25.Nxc4 bxc4 26.Rdd1 a5

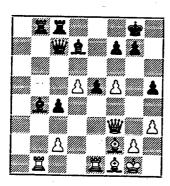


Finally opening lines, but White's pieces are ready

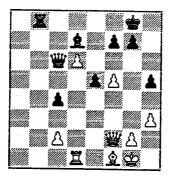
27.Rb1 axb4 28.axb4 d5



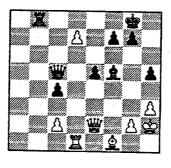
29.Nxd5 Nxd5 30.exd5 Bxb4



31.Red1 Bc5 32.d6 Bxf2+ 33.Qxf2 Qc6 34.Rxb8 Rxb8

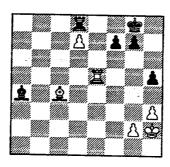


35.Qe2 Qc5+ 36.Kh2 Bxf5 37.d7



37...Rd8 38.Qxc4 Qxc4 39.Bxc4 Bxc2 40.Rd5 Ba4

41.Rxe5



Wh flagged in this equal position 0-1

# SOME ADVICE ON IMPROVING TACTICS

- -Develop X-ray vision. Just because there are pieces on file between my Rook and opponent's King/Queen doesn't mean there's no attack
- -Watch for interrupting checks or attacks on higher-rank pieces. Contrarily, can you ignore the opponent's threat and make a stronger one of your own?
- -Look for patterns along the same file, rank, or diagonal. Are there discovered attacks brewing? Take this a step deeper and examine the pieces on the same color squares. (Especially useful for Knight forks).
- -Diagnose the important squares and control them! Keep improving all your pieces' range and minimize your opponent's. Controlling squares is a means to avoiding nasty surprises.
- -Plan your attacks with all pieces in mind. Activate them before launching an assualt!
- -If you don't have active pieces, your tactics will not likely win. If you have a space, development, or mobility advantage, simple tactics are often enough to create an advantage!
- -Use tactics to simply improve your position instead of just looking for material gains.

(from a news item posted on the games.rec.chess.analysis newsgroup.

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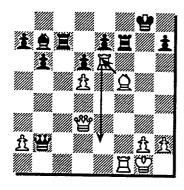
# Chess Lesson

Clearance is a very powerful tactical theme. But because it seldom appears in tournament play, it can easily be overlooked.

This tactical theme is called "Clearance" because it involves clearing a square occupied by a piece so that another piece can go into the vacated square.

Let's take an actual CICL game as an example. This is from a 2188 (White) and a 2019 (Black) (see diagram 1 below) after 26...Qxb2

#### Diagram 1



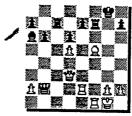
White to play and win

Here White played 27.Bxh7+ and had to be content with a draw after 27... Rxh7 28. Qg6+ Rg7 29.Qe8+ Kh7 30.Qh5+ Draw.

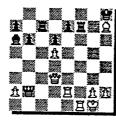
In diagram 1, notice that if the R at e6 wasn't there White could win immediately with 27.Be6 pinning the R at f7?

So, by clearing the square e6 with tempo via an attack on the Q at b2 with 27. Re2, White threatens not only 28.Be6 (see diagram top of next column) but also 28. Rxg2.

If 27....Ba6 (otherwise after 27...Qc3 28.Qxc3 Rxc3 29.Be6 wins. If now

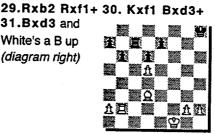


28.Qxa6 then 28...Qd4+ 29.Kh1 Rxf5) 28 Bxh7+ Kh8 (see diagram below)



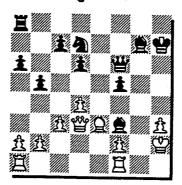
If 28...Rxh7 29.Qg6+ Rg7 30.Qe6+ Kh7 31.Rxb2 Bxf1 32.Kxf1 leaves White up Q for R)

31.Bxd3 and White's a B up (diagram right)



Here's another example.

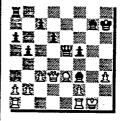
#### Diagram 2



The position in diagram 2 is after 20. c3 in a tournament game between two CICL players.

From the diagram, Black played 20... Ne5 and won a few moves later after White refused the N sac (21.Qd2 Qh4 22.Rg1 Ng4+ 23.Rxg4 fxg4 etc.)

If Black accepted the N sac (21.dxe5 Qxe5+ 22.Kg1 - see diagram below) it could have resulted in a mate in 4.



The thing about the position in the diagram left is that White's K gets mated (with 22...Rg8+) if only Black's B wasn't there.

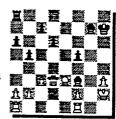
Keeping in mind that one of the techniques for gaining tempo is the check, the file g8-g1 is cleared via the Q sac: 22...Qh2+! (see diagram below)



White's reply is forced:

23.Kxh2 (see diagram right)

Black clears the file with tempo via





23....Be5+ (see diagram left).

And ₹s mate after.



24.Kg1 Rg8+ 25.Bg5 Rxg5# (see diagram left)

The **Mask** is another powerful tactical theme. This one, however, occurs with more frequency in tournament play.

This one's about a monster hiding behind a mask: The capture of an important piece (such as a Q or a R) or a mating attack hides behind a simingly innocent piece such as a N or a B or even a R.

As in CLEARANCE, the technique for a successful UNMASKING combination is the gaining of tempo by having the masking (blocking) piece make a check or attack on another piece

Here's one which involves a check.

Diagram 2

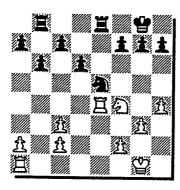


Diagram 2 above is from an actual CICL game between two unrateds after 21.Rxe4 Rfe8.

Black won the exchange after 20. Nd5? Nf3+ (the Rook at e8 is unmasked with tempo via a check!)
21.Kf3 Rxe5 22.Kxf3 Rc4.

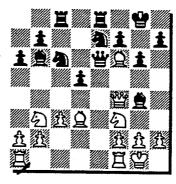
Here's an example of a masking combination which involves a mating attack (see diagram 3)

The position in *diagram 3* was reached in an actual CICL game between a 1446 (White) and a 1970 (Black) after 17.Bf6 Qe6 (forced as White threatened 18.Qh6 and 19.Qg7#).

The masking combo in this one, how-

ever is preceded by the tactical theme. deflection or what can be termed removing the guard.

Diagram 3



After 18.Ng5 Qd7 (see diagram below) notice that if White's B were not at f6 it's mate in 2: 19.Qxf7+ Kh8 20.Qxh7#.



The B at f6, therefore, is a masking piece which covers the monster mate in 2

So, after 19.Bd4 (see diagram below)



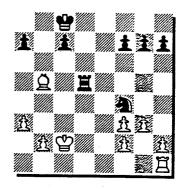
White threatens mate in 2 (20.Qxf7+ and 21.Qxh7#) as well as 20.Bxb6.

If now 19...f6 then 20.0xf6 threatens mate at h8 (21.0h8#) as well as mate in 2.

In our examples on clearance and mask, it's important to point out that the CHECK is an important instrument for gaining tempo.

Take diagram 4 for example (see diagram top of next column). This was taken from an actual CICL game

Diagram 4



between a 1970 (White) and a 2065 (Black) after 19...Rd8+ 20.Kc2 Rd5.

Black most probably calculated that after 21.bxf4 Rxb5 he's got the better position because White would then have triple pawns on the c-file.

White continued here with 21.Ba6+ prompting Black to resign as after 20... K-any 21.gxf4 Black would then be a B down.

Diagram 5

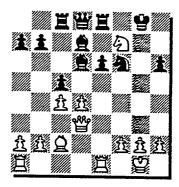


Diagram 5 is after 16. Bxh6 gxh6 17.Nxf7 in an actual CICL game between a 1765 (White) and a 2006 (Black)

As White's N attacks the Q, White may have counted on 17...Kxf7 18.Qg6+ Kf8 (18...Ke7 loses to 19.Qg7#) 19.Qxh6+ with a draw by continuous checks at h6 and g6 with the Q as 19...Nh7 is met by 20.Qxh7#.

But Black spoiled everything with 17... Bxh2+!! and won (18.Kxf2 Kxf7 19. Qg6+ Ke7! etc.)

# CHICAGO INDUSTRIAL CHESS LEAGUE

Meeting of March 23, 1999 At: UOP, Des Plaines, IL

#### Attendees:

Pat Sajbel, UOP Jerry Thomas, Lucent Chargers Joe Karpierz, Lucent Tyros Pablo Diaz, Lucent Tyros Marty Franek, Alumni Aces Jim Thomson, Motorola Karel Dobr, Lucent Chargers Randy Fong, Northrop Wayne Ellice, Pawns Leonard Spiegel, Fermilab Frank Suerth, Excalibers Dmitry Altshuller, Lucent Dragons Carl Reid, Case Irwin Gaines, Fermilab Mark Siwek, Kemper Jay Lechnick, UOP Tom Friske, Exemplars

#### **MINUTES**

- 1. President Pat Sajbel called the meeting to order at 7:15pm.
- 2. OFFICERS REPORTS:

#### President:

Pat noted that this was his second year as president and his last official meeting. There is more to report under item 4 below.

#### Secretary:

The minutes of the Fall business meeting as reported in the October Bulletin were unanimously accepted.

#### Treasurer:

Lenny distributed and commented on his 1998-99 Financial Report (see attachment). Our league is in good financial standing. All but 1 team has paid their dues and that team reported their check was in the mail.

#### Division Chairmen:

#### Far West-Irwin Gaines

Irwin reported a close race in his division. The winner will probably not be determined until completion of the final 2 rounds.

#### Near West-Carl Reid

With only 4 teams in the division, Carl set up a multiple round robin, each playing 12 matches. The Lucent Chargers will be the winners but second place is undecided.

#### North-Art Olsen, not present

Jay Lechnick reported that the Exemplars would win the division but second place is undecided.

# East-Kelvin McAlister, not present

Marty Franek reported a close race with a 3-way tie for 1st place with 2 rounds to go.

#### 3. OTHER REPORTS:

#### Bulletin Editor:

For the time being, Pat Sajbel is filling in as bulletin editor while Ruben is out of the country. Ruben is expected back soon.

#### Games Editor-Tom Friske:

Tom was shown appreciation for his efforts in reviewing and publishing games, many with annotations. He reminded everyone to continue submitting all games to him.

# Rating Chairman-Art Olsen, not present

Pat reported that in addition to Art's ratings duties, he summarized some of the key issues that were floating around in e-mails regarding playoff qualifications and realignment. This was handed out at the meeting.

# Publicity Chairman-David Sacks, not present

Pat reported that our newest team, the Reader, joined in part from some of Dave's work and seeing a copy of our bulletin.

# Banquet Chairman-Skip Kale, not present

Carl reported that the banquet is set for Friday, June 4 at Harvey's Prime Rib, same location as in previous years. Skip was successful in holding down a price increase. We had to guarantee 80 people.

# Trophy Chairman-Marty Franek

Marty has contacted the place that provided our trophies the last couple of years and Wayne will provide Marty with the details of what was ordered and the cost. Marty reminded division chairmen to start thinking about the most valuable player award and options of trophies or gift certificates for division winners.

#### 4. ELECTIONS:

President: As posted in the October bulletin, this is Pat's second year and persons interested in the position have been solicited. Pat nominated Irwin Gaines. There being no other nominations, Irwin was elected unanimously.

The offices of secretary and treasurer will remain with Wayne and Lenny.

Carl Reid volunteered to remain Near West Div. Chairman. The other 3 divisions are open or unconfirmed. These should be decided over the summer and finalized prior to the fall meeting.

Other positions: So far, the positions of ratings chairman, games editor, trophy chairman, and publicity director will remain with Art Olsen, Tom Friske and Marty Franek, respectively. David Sacks has relocated and so a new publicity chairman will be needed.

#### 5. PLAYOFFS:

The playoff is scheduled for Saturday, May 15. The site is not fixed yet although Kemper is still a possibility. Pat will follow up. Jim Thomson said he will check with Motorola as a possible site. \*\*New flash: Motorola will host\*\*-pos

Dmitry Altschuller volunteered to be the tournament director. There will be 8 teams in the playoffs. There was an informal poll for a Tier II playoff. There being little interest, one will not be scheduled this year. Depending on interest, there may be an open section tournament.

#### 6. OLD BUSINESS:

Pat reminded everyone about our April 13 match with the Concordia Community Chess Club (formerly the Oak Park CC). It starts at 7:30pm but please arrive around 7 pm so pairings can be set. See page 19 of the March bulletin for complete details.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

New Team: Jim Thomson announced that Motorola will split into two teams next year and he will be the team captain of the new team. Wayne has contacted Holy Cross Hospital and mailed them some flyers. They have a Social Club and they will spread the word about our league.

Team Rosters: Despite the volume of e-mails, this issue is resolved. Dmitry withdrew this issue, concluding that these concerns should be handled within the division and, if needed, the league president.

Start of Season Schedules: This is not a significant issue. The intent is to try and do the best schedule at the beginning of the season.

Adjournments: Dmitry offered arguments to allow adjournments after the 1st time control. There were equal arguments to keep it as is. An informal poll showed little interest in making a change and a formal motion was not made.

Playoff Qualification & Realignment:

There was a considerable amount of discussion on these 2 separate subjects prior to and during the meeting. In the end, the consensus was that the CICL is primarily about playing chess and not so much about getting into playoffs. Also, there was a general consensus that the primary desire to win or place in the playoffs was team pride and not the size or quantity of trophies.

As issues arise, our focus should remain on maximizing the opportunity to play chess. With this in mind, it seems unreasonable to force teams to play (travel) in other divisions. It was concluded that we will continue with 4 divisions next year.

A motion was passed (14Y, 2N) that, based on the sentiment of the discussions, that we keep our current system of playoff qualification, rounds etc. Specifically, 2 teams from each division will qualify for the playoffs, there will be 3 rounds in the playoffs to determine the league Champion and 2nd and 3rd place winners.

At the fall meeting, we will revisit the question of having a 3rd place winner in the playoffs and the trophy scheme as a whole. One concept is to just have the traveling trophy. Also, there will be further discussions about proposed changes in the North Division.

Irwin asked if there would be interest in a summer knock out tournament. There only being about 1/3 showing interest, this was dropped. There was a consensus that members enjoy and want to continue with the matches with other organizations.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35pm.

Wayne Ellice, Secretary

# 1998-99 Spring Business Meeting Financial Report

•	1998-99	1998-99		
	Proposed	Actual		
Revenue				
Basic Team Dues	960	840	Note A	
Bulletin <sub>.</sub>	286	273	Note B	
Additional bulletins		128		
Late Dues		30		
Other		81	•	
Banquet	456	399	Note C	
Initial Revenue:	1,702	1,751		
Banquet Revenue	1,500	0		
Total Revenue	3,202	1,751		
Disbursements:				•
Trophies	1,000	0		
Bulletin	250	232	Note D	
Scoresheets	201	201		
Special Awards	0	0		
Playoffs	25	0		
USCF/ICA Dues	65	40		
Other	0	0		
Banquet	1,956	0		
Total Disbursements:	3,497	473		
Net Gain(Loss)	(\$295)	\$ 1,278		

Note A: Originally assumed 24 teams; one team (out of 22) has not yet paid.

Note B: Similar comment.

Note C: Similar comment.

Note D: Bulletin expenses are not yet all in.

Bottom line: We presently have \$1,661.66 in our checking account and \$1,114.34 in our savings account. At this point in the season most of our big expenses—the banquet and trophies—lie ahead of us and it is still too early to refine the end of year projection.