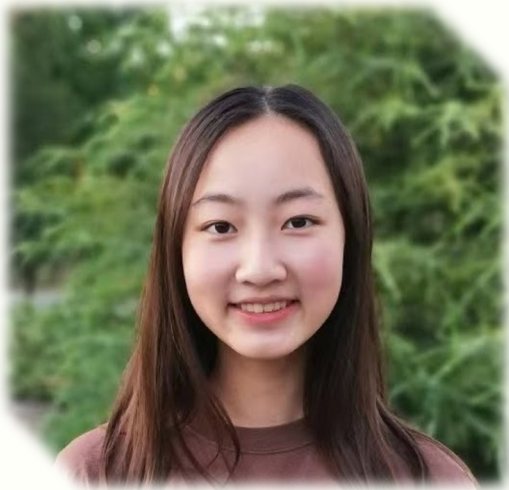


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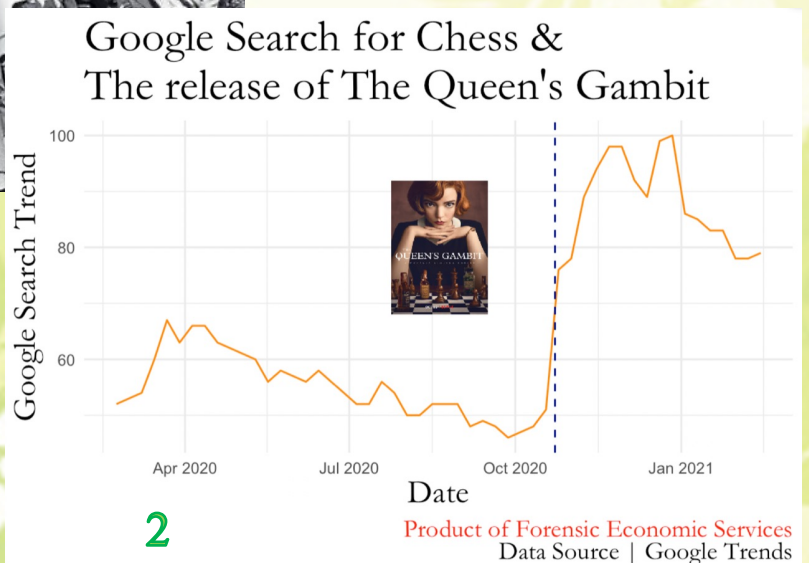
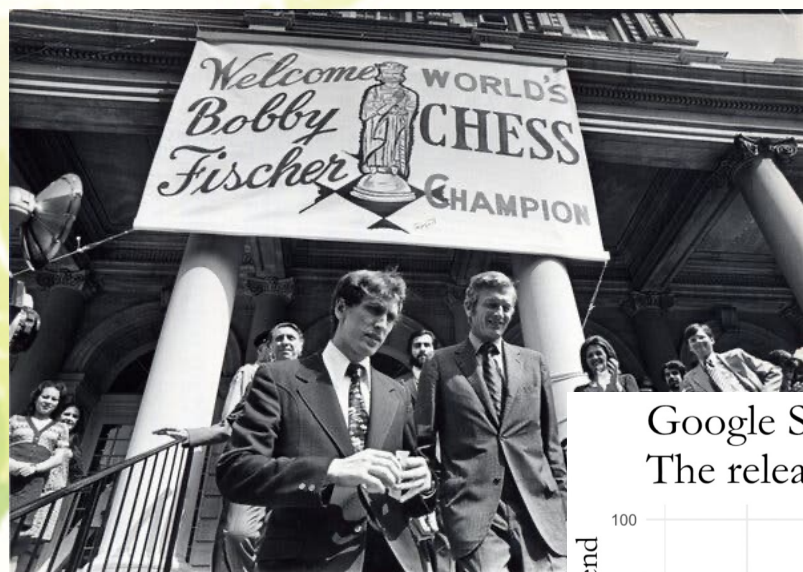
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Letter From the Editor

Chess Connects Us All

Chess certainly experienced a boom during the pandemic. However, along with the online chess boom came social distancing came and its resulting social isolation. So, as we watch the inevitable post boom decline in the subs and views of our favorite online streamers, we can take heed in watching chess reconnect us all over-the-board

Whether originally inspired by the Fischer Boom or The Queens Gambit Boom, makes no difference whatsoever. At the chessboard old players can feel young again while kindergarteners feel like grown-ups. It is my biased opinion that no game can reconnect society as well as chess. It is in this spirit that I am proudly publishing another edition of the CalChess Journal featuring the inspiring work of chess organizers young and old alike.



Over-the-Board-Chess is Back at the Berkeley Chess Center!



By Jennifer Bates



Berkeley Chess Center circa 2023! BCS will break ground on a front entrance renovation to improve the building's ADA access this fall!

The Covid-19 pandemic marked a long hiatus from competitive, over-the-board chess, as games, like almost everything else, moved online. But the doors are open at the Berkeley Chess School (BCS), in fact, they never closed!

In 2017, BCS purchased a building, a former church on San Pablo Avenue in Berkeley. "It wasn't just a safe harbor from rising rents," said Berkeley Chess School founder and former Irish Women's Chess Champion Elizabeth Shaughnessy, "It was to provide a place to play for Bay Area chess players in perpetuity. In the wake of Covid, we didn't realize how prescient the acquisition of the building would be."

The spacious, well-ventilated tournament hall and outdoor playground allowed BCS to provide supervision and academic support for the children of essential workers, and later, BUSD elementary students unable to access online classes at home.

Now, as schools have resumed in-person learning for everyone, so has the Berkeley Chess School!

The Berkeley Chess School is offering full and half-day summer camps, with daily and weekly options, through August 5th. These engaging and challenging camps help children improve their game tactics and strategy, while providing meaningful social opportunities in a safe environment. Camps include art, sports, games, chess, and most of all, fun!



Children enjoy games outdoors at the Berkeley Chess Center!



And not just chess...

Children must be fully vaccinated to participate and masks are worn indoors.

And for students (and adults!) who missed the opportunity to build their ratings in USCF sanctioned play, over-the-board chess is back!

As a member of the US Chess Women's Committee, Elizabeth Shaughnessy is dedicated to increasing the participation of women and girls, still severely underrepresented in chess.

This spring, BCS hosted a qualifier for the WIM Ruth Haring National Tournament of Girls State Champions. Ruiyang Yan, last year's Haring Champion, will be representing NorCal again! In addition to the Haring Qualifier, BCS hosted the CalChess K-12 Girls State Championship, and the CalChess Women's State Championship. Participants in the Women's State Championship ranged in age from 10 to 85, with Railia Borobova winning the \$500 top prize and bragging rights.



The winners of the 4th thru 6th grade sections of the CalChess K-12 Girls State Championship

Not wanting to waste space, or the opportunity to host, the CalChess Senior State Championship ran concurrently with the Women's Championship in the Berkeley Chess Center's large and airy tournament hall this past June.

IM Elliot Winslow faced IM Timothy Taylor in the championship round. Taylor took home the \$500 top prize, but Winslow, a Bay Area resident, will represent NorCal at the Irwin National Tournament of Senior State Champions in Rancho Mirage, CA, this summer!



IM Timothy Taylor and IM Elliot Winslow in the final Round, TD IM John Donaldson watches photo by Richard Shoreman

Above all, Elizabeth Shaughnessy is happy the Berkeley Chess Center is, once again, a gathering place for chess players young and old. From the youngest players in the Sunday Novice Class

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to the Berkeley Adult Chess Club! By the way, the Club's GM Jesse Kraai Marathon (Fridays @ 7 pm, 6 rounds, G/90 + 30) just began July 1st and with two half point byes, there's plenty of time to join. BCS hosts monthly Scholastic and Cash Quads, with trophies for the former and \$80 for each first-place winner in the latter. For more information about BCS, or to register for an event, or make a donation, visit their web-site at <https://www.berkeleychessschool.org/>.

Turning Back the Clock – Summer 1999

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Olympian Discusses Elista Chess Olympics

& Kids Chess



Interview and photos by Lanette C. Chan-Gordon

Elizabeth studies with her friend and mentor Richard Shorman.

Elizabeth Shaughnessy, founder and president of The Berkeley Chess School, participated in the 1998 Chess Olympics in Elista, Russia, playing on Board 2 of the Irish Women's Chess Team. She now shares her experiences at the Olympics as well as her insights into scholastic chess.

Int: It's so nice that we could get together today. You participated in the Chess Olympics in Elista, Russia and I understand that you were the only person in the entire state of California and one of the very few people in the country to go. You represented the Irish Women's team. Please tell us about your experiences there.

Elizabeth: Well, it is interesting that before we went many chess journalists were calling upon the chess players of the world to boycott the Olympiad because of the perceived politics of the president of the country, Kirsan Ilyumzhinov (also president of FIDE) and the rumor that he was responsible for the murder of a journalist in Kalmykia. However, only a handful of players, mostly from Holland, boycotted the Olympiad. Most of us felt that if we were to boycott every Olympiad held in a country which did not share our democratic values, there would be very few Olympiads. On the question of the murder, we held the view that he is innocent until proven guilty and there seemed little more than the accusation connecting him to the crime.

On a more realistic level there were fears that the country was not safe; that there would not be

enough food - there were riots and long lines for food in Russia at the time which aired nightly on the news channels here - that the promised accommodations would not materialize and that we would be housed in tents, that the newly built airport was not safe and of course that medical supplies and services were nonexistent! My husband urged me not to go because he feared for my safety. The Irish Chess Union however, after much investigation decided that we would be safe if we did not travel through Moscow.

We flew to Paris and from there to Stavropol where we were joined by other European Teams. The terminal was cold and damp and staffed with unfriendly soldiers. Here nothing had changed since the days of the Soviet Union. The atmosphere was one of fear, deprivation and neglect. We were glad when we had all passed uneventfully through the many bureaucratic hurdles and were on the busses to Elista. We were too tired and cold to speak much, but safety was on everyone's mind as we traveled the six hours to Elista. We felt reassured at the sight of the police escort at the front, middle and end of our convoy of busses. The busses themselves were a horror. The fumes of diesel fuel were asphyxiating but opening the windows was out of the question because it was so cold. We tried to sleep, huddled together for warmth and sharing with strangers whatever coats or warm covering we had.

We arrived in Elista and things began to look up. We were greeted

warmly and taken to the Irish men's quarters in Chess City where construction workers were still building the tournament hall! However, the bungalow type living accommodations were lovely, spacious and comfortable with clean showers and comfortable beds. Warm coffee, the inevitable vodka and friendly smiles dispelled any fears we still held. We were disappointed to learn that the Irish Women's team would be housed outside Chess City in older apartments since all the bungalows were not yet built. We wanted to be close to our male counterparts, but soon got over our disappointment when we were shown our own accommodations. They were spacious and comfortable and included a well stocked kitchen, a bathroom with shower, a living room and a bedroom for each of us. We were introduced to our sponsors, who provided us with everything we wanted including room service and a car and driver at our disposal at all times. The multistory apartment building housed teams from India, Africa and Asia. We were told that since the tournament hall was not yet complete the games would start a day late and there would be 13 instead of 14 rounds. The weather was glorious and generally players were glad for the extra day to recover from the journey and the Kalmykians were most gracious in entertaining us, showing us their city, countryside and culture. The countryside was amazingly beautiful, a bit like the desert, you either love it or hate it. It was vast, it was flat and the skies were constantly changing with the winds and the clouds changing and changing. Spectacular. The opening ceremony was held in the city's football stadium. It opened with a blessing chanted by Buddhist monks, followed by a parade of the flags of the 110 countries represented. There



Elizabeth answers a question for one of her students

were speeches followed by "Tulpan" the state song and dance ensemble, the folk dance theater "Oyraty" and by children's dance ensembles. It ended with a spectacular fireworks display.

To everyone's amazement the tournament hall in Chess City was completed in time for the start of the games with only one day delay. We were all eager to get started. This is why we came! We played India in the first round and lost on all three boards. This continued for awhile until we were paired against the Virgin Islands. Well. Everybody beats the Virgin Islands and so did we. However, that win seemed to turn us around and we continued to win again and again. I won 6 out of my 13 games on Board 2. Board 1 also won 6 and Board 3 won 6.5. We were very happy with the result. We did as well as any Irish Women's team had ever done.

It is hard to describe the atmosphere at a chess Olympiad. Time seems to stop and everyone goes all out and competes in a world outside the real world, a world that revolves around the many details of chess. Of course it is international, but somehow when you are there with all these people of different ethnicities, languages and cultures all sharing one common interest - your interest - it is awesome. In the basement of the tournament hall in Chess City there was a coffee bar where you could go and meet players from other countries. They held a disco there every evening and even the top countries, Russia, the U.S., China, Georgia, etc. would all show up for awhile. Security was very tight and everywhere visible, so everyone felt relaxed and safe.

I've traveled quite a lot in my life and Kalmykia is the most exotic place I have ever visited. Lo-

cated west of the Urals on the Caspian Sea the population is entirely of Asian descent. They are Buddhist and have their own language and culture of which they are rightfully proud. They are a unique, friendly and handsome people. The children are especially beautiful and well cared for. It was a very special time for me.

Int: That's wonderful. How did it feel to do nothing but play chess all day?

Elizabeth: Amazing! I took my laptop with me from Berkeley with my own program, things I wanted to study, Fritz, etc. I would get up in the morning, be transported to breakfast at a restaurant, return to find my room cleaned, bed made, clean towels and sheets, refrigerator restocked, etc. Then I would sit in my room and study in preparation for my game in the afternoon. Every morning a bulletin was distributed to all the players of the games played the previous day, so you could look up what your opponent had played. After several hours of study we would go to lunch, then back to the apartment for a short nap and then take a brisk walk to the tournament hall to play at 3:00pm. After the game it was usually dinnertime, then some quick analysis, some more study, some relaxation and back to the apartment. A quick look at some more chess and off to sleep. What a life! I was there for three weeks with nothing to do but play and study chess. It was wonderful. I suppose most men are used to having their basic needs like food, laundry and housecleaning done for them but I am not. To have to do nothing else but play chess was quite a vacation.

Int: I understand that this was not your first Chess Olympiad.

Elizabeth: In 1969 I played in

my first Olympiad in Lublin, Poland also on the Irish Women's Team. In 1970 I became Irish Women's Champion. That was 30 years ago! Since then I have done other things like have a family, a career, and serve in elected public office. It was a great personal accomplishment for me to have qualified in 1996 to play again for the Irish team. However, I do not plan to retire from playing chess anytime in the near future. I enjoy it too much!

Int: Great! It must have been a bit of a culture shock for when you returned. Now you are running the Berkeley Chess School. Tell us about the school and its history.

Elizabeth: I started the Berkeley Chess School, then known as Chess in the Schools, in 1981, volunteering in my own children's elementary school. There was a great interest in it as you can imagine in a university town such as Berkeley. 72 children showed up at the first class. From that beginning it spread by popular demand, first to all the schools in Berkeley and then throughout the Bay Area. It became a nonprofit corporation in 1994. George Koltanowski, who has been my guide and mentor since the beginning, is on the Board of Directors. Currently we teach 3,000 students from kindergarten through high school in 80 schools in the Bay Area and beyond. We teach in public, private and parochial schools. We have constant calls from schools wanting our chess program and to the extent we have good qualified instructors we go into those schools. We have been in existence long enough now to have followed students from kindergarten through high school. Berkeley High has won the State Championship three out of the last four years, and all those students started with The Berkeley Chess School in elementary school. We have produced masters, and some of our instructors were once our students. Most important, we have brought the love and pleasure of chess to thousands of children. There seems to be no limit to the interest out there. There is, however, a limit to the number of good instructors.

Int: You have a lot of experi-

Students at The Berkeley Chess School Summer Camp gather to listen to Elizabeth



ence teaching chess and working with chess teachers and children. What does it take to be a good chess teacher for children?

Elizabeth: I am always looking for people who are good with children, have good classroom control and of course who know enough about chess and are enthusiastic enough about chess to teach children. Not your everyday combination. Chess masters are not always good teachers and master teachers are not always good chess players! I currently have a group of 28 wonderful people who work for us and enjoy doing it. I am always looking to increase that number.

Int: What other chess related activities do you offer to your kids?

Elizabeth: In addition to instruction in schools, we provide students the opportunity to play in UCSF rated chess tournaments which we run. During the school year, we have a Friday night tournament from 6:00 - 8:00pm at the Berkeley City Club. It is a low key introduction to tournament play. We also offer extra mid-level and advanced classes to students who show a special interest in the game and are willing to do the work necessary to become better. Among the special classes we provide is a 10-week seminar on basic endgame play.

During the first quarter of the school year, we hold a tournament to establish the ladder for our prestigious Berkeley Bishops team, comprised of the best students in our program. The team competes with other chess teams from throughout the area. At the end of the school year, there is an inter-scholastic team competition among

all the schools in our program to encourage team play and school pride. We award trophies to every participant!

We offer a 4 week day camp in the summer which is our most popular activity for students beginner through advanced. Classes are broken down into different levels and the children are placed according to their skill. Some parents are reluctant because they think 4 hours a day of chess is too much but you would be amazed. We always require the children to go outside during their break and what you see is most of them taking the sets and boards out to play more chess! It's wonderful to see so much enthusiasm over the game! In addition to our permanent camp instructors, GM Danny King (Moderator for Kasparov vs. The World), GM Alexander Baburin, GM Walter Browne, former Junior World Champion GM Julio Kaplan and GM Roman Dzindzichashvili have instructed students at the camp.

Our primary goal is to enrich the lives of young people and give them the tools developed through the study of chess to do better in school and better in life. However, if a student and his/her family wish to go further and become a master, we provide the necessary instruction to do that. Students from The Berkeley Chess School win at the State Championships every year.

Int: How do you think children benefit from playing chess?

Elizabeth: The answer to that question is well stated by The Berkeley Chess School: "Chess is a mix of complexity and contradiction. It's entertainment, yet serious. It de-

mands imagination and creativity, yet depends upon established patterns. Players must operate in the immediate, while imagining the future. It's as challenging as the most rigorous of mathematic or scientific problems, yet it's fun. It appears to proceed at a meditative pace, but the excitement is electric. And perhaps because of its unique counterposing of these and many more such opposites, chess is perfect for kids.

Though chess has been around for more than a thousand years, new evidence suggests it is one of history's most valuable educational tools. In 1997 studies found that the hidden rewards for students of chess are surfacing on test results in reading, science and math, along with findings that indicate growth in critical cognitive abilities such as deducing, hypothesizing, strategic thinking, logic, future thinking and judgment. Beyond academia, chess also appears to influence social behavior, including self-esteem, respect for others, patience and old-fashioned notions of good manners.

Other research indicated the skills involved in playing chess are similar to those used in acquiring language. In short, a database of information is acquired (learning the pieces, their moves, and the openings, in addition to classifying them), which is then activated.

Through use, shaped by training and experiential feedback, the student automatically engages deeper, more complex thinking skills. Comparisons have also been made between the type of thinking required by mathematicians and scientists to those of the chess player, not the least among them originality, that quality of on-demand inventiveness.

Chess is one of ancient culture's most valuable gifts to contemporary learners. It is rare we encounter a phenomenon that comes to us already well tested by time, by generations of people from all classes, of all languages, nationalities, both male and female. It is rare that we find within a single activity an opportunity to learn, to teach, to

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me, who after all have opened another? We show openings and lead to open games which go on for an hour. We encourage students to play openings and lead to open games because their superior knowledge of what will pay off. If they spend an hour at all studying chess it must be to study tactics. Another part of life. However, is that most adults spend very little time studying chess. What little time we spend then should be spent on what makes the game interesting: Tactics.

I'm sure that the commission's report program will be gratified our GMs like Roman Rudnikovich (who taught Gary Kasparov) and Jills Kaplan among others advise the students to begin studying openings and study tactics. It is a hard sell but we might someday make it as habitable and green up as studying openings now is!

I also have noticed that many coaches from Berkeley Chess School (unaffiliated) can think of nothing but openings to teach! Our lifetimes could be spent studying openings and so their position as lifetime coach is secure! For that reason we have some plans.

Ed: What do you feel is the most rewarding part of the work for you do?

Elizabeth: Watching the joy that the students get from "getting" a problem. Watching their eyes light up as they understand a concept. Watching as they put one they have learned into play. Seeing the administrative aspects of the program, too, the idea of doing a job well, of creating an organization properly, but it is the contact with the students which makes it come alive.

Ed: Are there any particular skills that you have for The Berkeley Chess School?

Elizabeth: Our goal is to continue what we are doing, do it better and reach more kids. Our instructors are the heart of the program and so, if we are to expand,

we need to recruit and train more good instructors. Alternatively, we can say the way we are used do a better job reaching more kids at the schools we already serve. It all depends on whether or not we can recruit quality instructors. In the last year or so I have noticed other chess players start chess schools by surrounding areas following our example. I think this is a good trend.

There are enough students to go around and to one group can reach everybody. We will challenge every school and create healthy competition and raise the level of chess in the area. Alan Rastner and I have come to realize the immense value to our students of such competition. One of The Berkeley Chess School's best teachers, Mark Brown, is moving to Modesto and plans to start a school there. We wish him well and look forward to challenging his kids. This will lead to a higher standard of chess in the area as a whole and someday we will challenge New York with its million dollars of Intel money and what.

The millions of Intel money going exclusively to New York students reminds me of the children in California's inner cities where there is no Intel money to reach them. I would hope that Intel, or other corporations, would give us equal money to go into schools in their own backyard and teach those students chess. Enough studies have been done to show the value of chess instruction toward reading and math skills. If not Intel then maybe some other company who cares about the fate of these kids. I'd love to see that happen.

Ed: Well, perhaps somebody will read this article and be able to help The Berkeley Chess School out with some funding. It's been a pleasure talking with you. Thank you.

Elizabeth Shaughnessy and The Berkeley Chess School can be reached at (510) 843-0150.



FIDE President Elmar Myronchikov and Elizabeth Shaughnessy at Elsta.

Nicolas Korrich (Lebanon) Elizabeth Shaughnessy (Ireland) 1990 Chess Olympics (Elsta, Russia) Vienna Game

1. e4 e5 2. Nc3 Nc6 3. g3 d5 4. d3 Bc5 5. Bg2 d-d6 6. Bc2 Nc7 7. Nc3 Bc5 8. Bc3 Nc6 9. Bc2 Nc7 10. Qd2 Bc1 11. Nc3 Nc6 12. Bc3 Bc1 13. Bc7 14. Nc3 Qc8 15. d3 Nc4 16. Nc2 Nc5 17. g3 Nc6 18. Qc2 Nc4 19. Qd3 Qc5 20. Bc4 e-c4 21. Nc3 Qc5+ 22. Nc2 Nc4 23. Qc1 Qc5 24. Qc4 Qc3 25. Qc1 e5



26. e4 d-c2 27. f-c3 Nc6 28. Qd1 e4 29. Bc1 Bc8 30. Bc2 Rcd3 31. Rcd3 Rcd3 32. Qc4 Qc4+ 33. Bc3 Rcd4+ 34. Nc2 Qc5+ 35. Kd1 Bc1+ 36. Kc2 Qc1# 0-1

Mission360:

Spreading Chess over the Bay

By FM Kevin Pan

With the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic stripping away numerous sports and activities, Northern Californian chess has also taken a hit. Chess players around the Bay Area have waited two years for local in person tournaments, hoping to propel their ratings or simply to sate their hunger for competition. As the pandemic is gradually coming to a close, Mission360 is hoping to play their part in filling the chess void. Founded by FMs Eric Li and Kevin Pan, the core goal of Mission360 is “creating opportunities to level the playing ground among all.” Whether it be through tournaments or lessons, Mission360 hopes to connect avid chess players and fans everywhere.

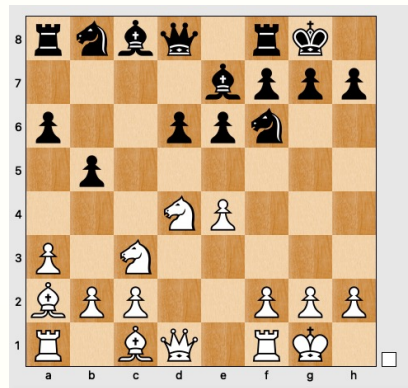
Mission 360’s FIDE hybrid tournaments have allowed US chess players to compete for FIDE rating points against masters all over the world, a rare opportunity in today’s chess world. The US players’ youthful flare duels with the international players’ solid experience, creating fireworks over the board. Chess players of all ages and nationalities connect through the board and their mutual love of

the game. With a TD looking over each venue creating an environment just like in in-person tournaments, players just have to focus on the chess in front of them. Here is one of the best FIDE hybrid games played between a US master and a Bulgarian master.

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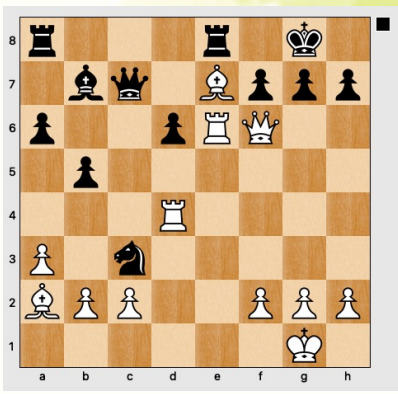
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Live Chess, Chess.com, 2022.01.29
B90: Sicilian, Najdorf, Lipnitzky
Attack

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4
Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bc4 e6 7.a3 Be7
8.Ba2 O-O 9.O-O b5



Looking to fianchetto the bishop
10.Bg5 Bb7 11.Qf3 **Placing the queen on the line of the diagonal is a little dubious - better is...** (11.f3 Nbd7 12.Qe2 Ne5 13.Rad1 = f3 e4 pawn chain blocks the powerful b7 bishop) 11...Nc6 12.Rad1 Qc7 13.Rfe1 Nxd4 **Opening up the bishop!** 14.Rxd4 Nxe4 !! 15.Bxe7 (15.Nxe4 Bxg5 \$19) 15...Nxc3 16.Qf6 \$1 **White catapults his queen into black's kingside, will Black be able to defend?** 16...Rfe8 (16...gxf6 \$4 17.Rg4+ Kh8 18.Bxf6#) 17.Rxe6

Sivakumar is able to withstand Simeonov's attack and wins 0-1

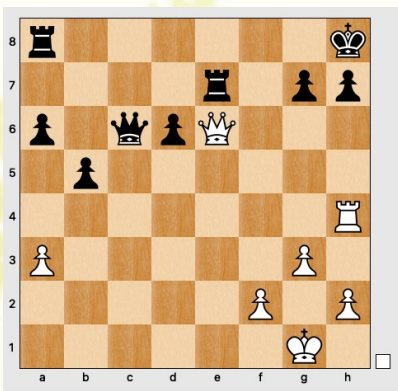


3 white pieces are hanging!
 17...Nd5 Since white has so many pieces hanging, black can afford to "give up" a knight to defuse the attack (17...fxe6 If black takes the rook the best white can do is a repetition 18.Bxe6+ Kh8 19.Qxg7+ Kxg7 20.Rg4+ Kh6 21.Rh4+ Kg7 22.Rg4+ =) 18.Bxd5 Qxc2 In the chaos black takes a move to threaten back rank checkmate, on top of allowing the queen to retreat to g6 to defend 19.Qf3 (19.h3 gxf6 20.Rg4+ Qg6 ! 21.Rxg6+ hxg6 22.Bxb7 fxe6 23.Bxa8 Rxe7 -+) 19...Bxd5 20.Qxd5 fxe6 21.Qxe6+ Kh8 22.g3 Qxb2 23.Rh4 Qc1+ 24.Kg2 Qc6+ 25.Kg1 Rxe7 !

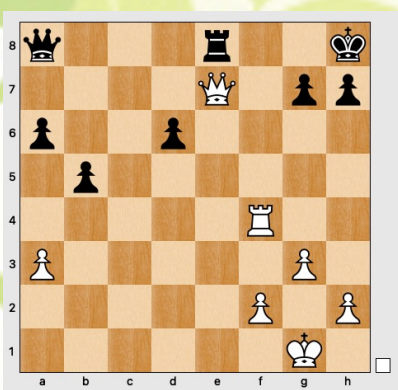


The venue for the January Hybrid in which GM Christopher Yoo played in.

Along with these novel hybrid tournaments, Mission 360's IM and GM norm tournaments have revitalized high level chess in Northern California. Famous grandmasters such as GM Jianchao Zhou of China and GM Gabor Nagy of Hungary are invited from across the world. Players seeking to gain coveted FIDE titles no longer have to travel thousands of miles away. Four norm tournaments have been held so far with the following players achieving norms: IM-elect Robert Shlyakhtenko, FM Maria Malicka, GM-elect Balaji Daggupati, IM-elect Kirk Ghazarian, and FM Eric Li . Here is one of the crucial games won by GM-elect Balaji Daggupati, who achieved his final GM norm at one of Mission360's norm events.



Tactical finish! 26.Qxe7 Re8 27.Rf4 Qa8



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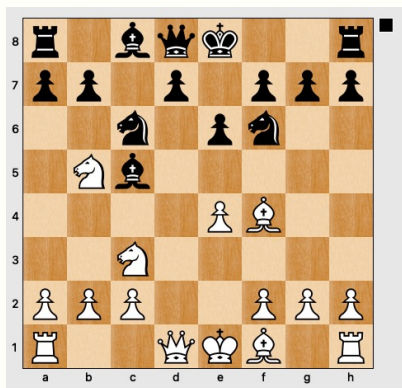
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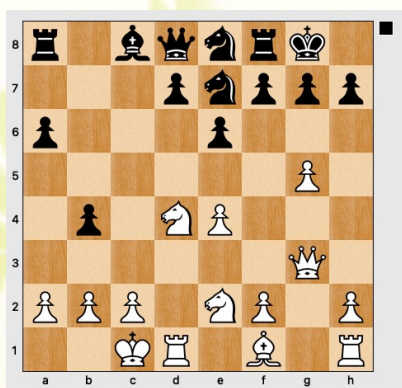
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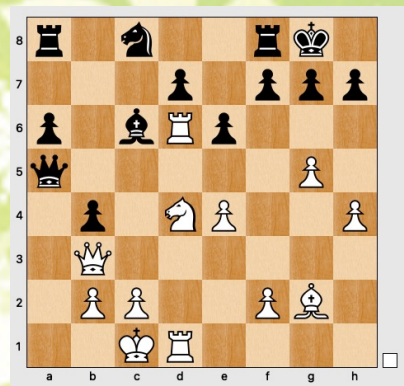
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Ndb5 Bc5 7.Bf4



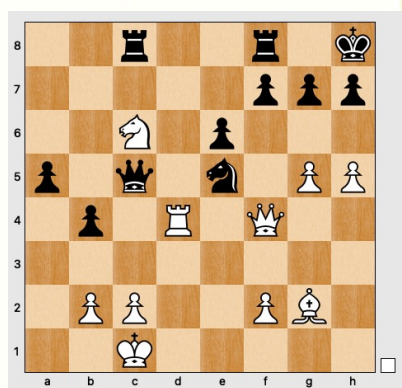
White hopes to exploit the open dark colored squares 7...O-O 8.Bc7 Qe7 9.Bd6 Bxd6 10.Qxd6 Qd8 11.O-O-O a6 12.Nd4 Ne7 13.g4 ! **Immediate pawn storm on the black kingside taking advantage of black's lack of development** 13...b5 (13...Nxc3 14.Rg1 Nf6 15.f4 \$14) 14.g5 Ne8 15.Qg3 b4 16.Nce2



Both sides have extended pawns, but Black is quick to develop 16...Bb7 17.Bg2 Qb6 18.h4 Nd6 19.Nc6 Bxc6 20.Rxd6 Qc5 21.Rhd1? Qc4 **Attacking both the knight and the pawn** 22.Nd4 Qxa2 23.Qb3 Qa1+ 24.Kd2 Qa5 25.Kc1 Nc8 !



The passive knight jumps backward into action, trapping the rook 26.Rxc6 dxc6 27.Nxc6 Qc5 28.e5 a5 29.Qg3 **Better is...** (29.Nxb4 Rb8 30.Na6 Rxb3 31.Nxc5 Rb4 +-) 29...Nb6 30.Rd6 Kh8 31.h5 Nc4 32.Rd4 Rac8 33.Qf4 Nxe5 !



If Qe5, Rxc6! protecting the black queen and removing the white queen's defender 0-1



GM-elect Balaji Daggupati with Chief Arbiter Tom Langland

On top of supporting established players, Mission360 also aims to encourage and cultivate new faces to the chess world. Having already held one free camp with master level coaching, Mission360 aims to provide more coaching to everyone wishing to dive into chess.

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The Answers are Out There

By James Eade
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What is the proper format for a World Championship match?



The answer is that it depends.

I have spoken with several GMs about this and there does seem to be a consensus that the minimum number of classic-style games should be 16. Fewer than 16 doesn't give enough opportunity to come back from an early deficit, and more than that runs into prohibitive cost restrictions, as well as questions about stamina.

The question then becomes what constitutes a classic-style game. Lately, it has been the custom to allow time increments, but what is classical about that? Why not allow time pressure to become a factor again? That was a critical and dramatic component of many games of the past. It seems best to dispense with increments entirely, at least until you've reached a playoff stage.

Money talks, of course, and the one putting the money up can usually cast the deciding vote for

what the time controls should be if they conform to FIDE's rules. However, I think most chess fans would rather see the squirming of a player in time control banging out moves or the occasional second-rate move forced by concerns about running out of time.

If chess fans want to see perfect chess, let them watch supercomputers play the game! What most fans want is action, drama, and an air of anticipation. This is what makes it a sporting competition. It is the sporting aspect of chess competitions that draws eyeballs. Only a relative few can appreciate the scientific or artistic aspects of the game.

Make the time controls slow, add increments, and give many rest days, if the quality of the games is the thing. This type of championship event will add to our overall chess culture and advance the science of the game. Make them faster, without increments, and play more games in fewer days, if it is the sporting aspect that is of utmost importance.

There might be a third way. Make the games have classic time controls, no increments, and a healthy rest-day to game-day ratio, and you might strike the ideal balance. There would be room to value the sporting, scientific, and artistic aspects of the game of chess. I think that is what most chess fans want to see.

On the other hand, ... it depends.

The Menlo Park Chess Club

By Mark Drury

The [Menlo Park Chess Club](#) (US Chess Affiliate A7573196) held its first meeting in early January of 2022 and gathers each Wednesday evening from 6:00-9:45pm for rated and unrated tournament play, casual, blitz and bughouse chess as well as lectures and informal lessons. The US Chess "[Guide to a Successful Chess Club](#)" was very helpful in bootstrapping this new club, as were the chess staff at the Mechanics Institute in San Francisco—it pays to lean on those who have done this before.



The club was formed, in part, to fill something of a void in Bay Area over-the-board chess. While scholastic events and weekend tournament opportunities abound, for the adult chess player looking to gather on a weeknight for a game or two the options are far more limited—one must visit the [Mechanics Institute](#) in San Francisco, the [Kolty Chess Club](#) in Campbell or the [Berkeley Chess School](#) to enjoy regular weeknight chess. Menlo Park is roughly equidistant from San Francisco and Campbell and seemed the natural

choice for another club on the San Francisco Peninsula, especially given its proximity to Stanford University and the fact that the city's beautiful Arrillaga Family Recreation Center, where the club meets, resides one block from a Caltrain station.



The club chose to meet on Wednesday evenings with the thought that we'd slot between Mechanic's venerable Tuesday Night Marathons and Kolty's erstwhile Thursday gatherings. It was only after we'd set our schedule with the Menlo Park Recreation Department and materials had been printed with club meeting times that we learned Kolty had rebooted on Wednesdays, as well. It's not clear if the two clubs draw participation away from one another but the Menlo Park club may at some point consider moving to Thursday evenings if that's deemed better for the larger chess community.



Another motivation for starting the club was to foster chess community, the sort of community one could find all over the Bay

The Menlo Park Chess Club, Continued



Area a mere 20 or 30 years ago, when numerous chess clubs welcomed members of all ages and over-the-board play was the only game in town. As part of that effort, and to lower barriers to participation, the Menlo Park club hosts a continuing series of free rated and unrated events of varying time controls and formats to draw people to the game, to the club and, it is hoped, to US Chess membership. Thus far the results have been encouraging: our events are well-attended and we're making use of a second meeting room to accommodate club growth.

Under-17 divisions and any ties for those prizes sees the money rolled into the larger marathon prize fund, one awarded to those who perform best through all four tournaments. This series has proved very popular with sixty-one people participating in the first three tournaments alone—the final G/3+0 event should be a fun, frenetic evening of chess. Check our [Events](#) page to see what the club is up to now and we hope many more people in the surrounding area will join us for Wednesday evening chess!



One interesting example of our free, unrated events is the current [Surfeit of Blitz Marathon](#), which is essentially a series of four independent blitz tournaments over four successive Wednesday evenings in July with ever-shortening time controls (5+3, 5+0, 3+2, 3+0). Each tournament offers small cash prizes in Open and

Surfeit of Blitz Marathon Standings
Menlo Park Chess Club
July 13th, 2022

Place	Player	5+3	5+0	3+2	3+0	Total	Place	Player	5+3	5+0	3+2	3+0	Total
1	Alaric Stein	3	4	4		11	30-35	Constantine Ciortea	1	2	---		3
2-5	Alex Veksler	3	4	3		10	30-35	Mukund Rao	---	3	---		3
2-5	Pranav Jindal	4	3	3		10	30-35	Sahil Shivakumar	---	---	3		3
2-5	Richard Shu	4	2	4		10	30-35	William Ahmann	2	1	---		3
2-5	Shahin Aghevi	3	3	4		10	36-39	Cary Kletter	---	0.5	2		2.5
6-7	Kathan Shukla	3	3	3		9	36-39	Hamdanil Rasyid	2.5	---	---		2.5
6-7	Yash Shah	3	3	3		9	36-39	Ptolemy Lee	---	2.5	---		2.5
8	Sean Murray	4	1.5	3		8.5	36-39	Raajas Dixit	2.5	---	---		2.5
9-10	Ehsan Mostaed	3	2	3		8	40-50	Clyde Taylor	---	2	---		2
9-10	Ethan Mei	2	2	4		8	40-50	Deepayan Bardhan	2	---	---		2
11	Lasha Lakirbala	1	3	3		7	40-50	Jennifer Ly	---	---	2		2
12-13	Kornel Csernai	2	2	2		6	40-50	Jonathan Caspi	2	---	---		2
12-13	Ragav Ravi	2	2	2		6	40-50	Kheshav Ravishangar	0	1	1		2
14	Matthew Yuan	---	3.5	2		5.5	40-50	Mark Vernik	---	2	---		2
15-19	Arnav Gupta	---	3	2		5	40-50	Matthew Smith	0	---	2		2
15-19	Jeffrey McGinnis	2	---	3		5	40-50	Osin Harrington	---	---	2		2
15-19	Joshua Garrow	3	2	---		5	40-50	Samuel Chen	2	---	---		2
15-19	Minh Pham	2	---	3		5	40-50	Sebastien Dehaen	---	---	2		2
15-19	Shawnak Shivakumar	---	---	5		5	40-50	Zidaan Kapoor	1	1	---		2
20	Daniel Francis	2.5	2	---		4.5	51	Raghuram Vungutur	---	1.5	---		1.5
21-26	Adam M Olshansky	2	2	---		4	52-59	Alastair Rampell	---	---	1		1
21-26	Adam Stevens	2	2	---		4	52-59	Cesar Tamondong	1	---	---		1
21-26	Badamkhand Norovsambu	---	---	4		4	52-59	Greg Maxey	---	---	1		1
21-26	Lee Perkins	2	2	---		4	52-59	John Lilles	1	---	---		1
21-26	Rishav Ravi	2	2	0		4	52-59	Jose Hernandez	1	---	---		1
21-26	Vaibav Ravishangar	1	2	1		4	52-59	Peter Roumeliotis	1	---	---		1
27-29	Cody Kletter	2	1.5	---		3.5	52-59	Sukhmai Kapur	---	1	---		1
27-29	Jerome Oriol	1.5	---	2		3.5	52-59	Ziyu Liu	1	---	---		1
27-29	Marius Ciortea	1.5	1	1		3.5	60-61	Phineas Lee	---	0	---		0
30-35	Amarnath Mukherjee	3	---	---		3	60-61	Vishal Kapoor	---	0	---		0
30-35	Cameron Rampell	---	---	3		3							

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Surfeit of Blitz G/3+0 Final Standings
Menlo Park Chess Club
 July 27th, 2022

#	Player	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5
1	Badamkhand Norovsambu	W 14	B 16	W 6	B 15	B 3
		1.0	2.0	2.5	3.5	4.5
2	Alaric Stein	B 18	W 9	B 4	W 11	B 12
		1.0	2.0	2.0	3.0	4.0
3	Pranav Jindal	W 19	B 10	W 15	B 4	W 1
		1.0	2.0	3.0	4.0	4.0
4	Kathan Shukla	W 28	B 12	W 2	W 3	B 8
		X1.0	2.0	3.0	3.0	4.0
5	Shahin Aghevi	W 25	B 15	W 8	B 10	B 7
		1.0	1.0	2.0	3.0	4.0
6	Saikhanchimeg Tsogetsalkhan	B 20	W 11	B 1	W 7	B 15
		1.0	2.0	2.5	2.5	3.5
7	Shawnak Shivkumar	W 13	B 8	W 14	B 6	W 5
		1.0	1.0	2.0	3.0	3.0
8	Yash Shah	B 24	W 7	B 5	W 17	W 4
		1.0	2.0	2.0	3.0	3.0
9	Cesar Tamondong	W 21	B 2	W 13	B 12	W 19
		1.0	1.0	2.0	2.0	3.0
10	Lasha Lakirbaia	B 27	W 3	B 20	W 5	B 17
		1.0	1.0	2.0	2.0	3.0
11	Daniel Francis	W 22	B 6	W 19	B 2	W 18
		1.0	1.0	2.0	2.0	3.0
12	Arnab Gupta	B 23	W 4	B 21	W 9	W 2
		1.0	1.0	2.0	3.0	3.0
13	Sean Murray	B 7	W 24	B 9	W 25	W 22
		0.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	3.0
14	Josh Garrow	B 1	W 26	B 7	W 21	W 16
		0.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	3.0

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Surfeit of Blitz Marathon Final Standings
Menlo Park Chess Club
 July 27th, 2022

#	Player	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5
15	Richard Shu	B 17	W 5	B 3	W 1	W 6
		1.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
16	Ehsan Mostaed	B 26	W 1	B 17	W 20	B 14
		1.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	2.0
17	Jennifer Ly	W 15	B 25	W 16	B 8	W 10
		0.0	1.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
18	Ziyu Liu	W 2	B 21	B 22	W 27	B 11
		0.0	0.0	1.0	2.0	2.0
19	Kornel Csernai	B 3	W 27	B 11	W 23	B 9
		0.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	2.0
20	Olisn Harrington	W 6	B 23	W 10	B 16	B 27
		0.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	2.0
21	Ragav Ravi	B 9	W 18	W 12	B 14	B 25
		0.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	2.0
22	Ksheshav Ravishangar	B 11	bye	W 18	W 24	B 13
		0.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	2.0
23	Chris Jacobs	W 12	W 20	B 14	B 19	W 26
		0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	2.0
24	Jerome Oriel	W 8	B 13	W 23	B 22	bye
		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0
25	Vaibav Ravishangar	B 5	W 17	B 26	B 13	W 21
		0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
26	Greg Maxey	W 16	B 14	W 25	bye	B 23
		0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0
27	Rishav Ravi	W 10	B 19	bye	B 18	W 20
		0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
28	Player Withdrew	B 4	---	---	---	---
		F0.0	U0.0	U0.0	U0.0	U0.0

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1	Alaric Stein	3	4	4	4	15
2-3	Pranav Jindal	4	3	3	4	14
2-3	Shahin Aghevi	3	3	4	4	14
4	Kathan Shukla	3	3	3	4	13
5-6	Richard Shu	4	2	4	2	12
5-6	Yash Shah	3	3	3	3	12
7	Sean Murray	4	1.5	3	3	11.5
8-10	Alex Veksler	3	4	3	---	10
8-10	Ehsan Mostaed	3	2	3	2	10
8-10	Lasha Lakirbaia	1	3	3	3	10
11	Badamkhand Norovsambu	---	---	4	4.5	8.5
12-17	Arnab Gupta	---	3	2	3	8
12-17	Ethan Mei	2	2	4	---	8
12-17	Joshua Garrow	3	2	---	3	8
12-17	Kornel Csernai	2	2	2	2	8
12-17	Ragav Ravi	2	2	2	2	8
12-17	Shawnak Shivakumar	---	---	5	3	8
18	Daniel Francis	2.5	2	---	3	7.5
19	Matthew Yuan	---	3.5	2	---	5.5
20-23	Jeffrey McGinnis	2	---	3	---	5
20-23	Minh Pham	2	---	3	---	5
20-23	Rishav Ravi	2	2	0	1	5
20-23	Vaibav Ravishangar	1	2	1	1	5
24	Jerome Oriel	1.5	---	2	1	4.5
25-31	Adam M Olshansky	2	2	---	---	4
25-31	Adam Stevens	2	2	---	---	4
25-31	Cesar Tamondong	1	---	3	---	4
25-31	Jennifer Ly	---	---	2	2	4
25-31	Ksheshav Ravishangar	0	1	1	2	4
25-31	Lee Perkins	2	2	---	---	4
25-31	Olisn Harrington	---	---	2	2	4
32-34	Cody Kletter	2	1.5	---	---	3.5

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32-34	Marius Ciortea	1.5	1	1	---	3.5
32-34	Saikhanchimeg Tsogetsalkhan	---	---	---	3.5	3.5
35-41	Amarnath Mukherjee	3	---	---	---	3
35-41	Cameron Rampell	---	---	3	---	3
35-41	Constantine Ciortea	1	2	---	---	3
35-41	Mukund Rao	---	3	---	---	3
35-41	Sahil Shivakumar	---	---	3	---	3
35-41	William Ahmann	2	1	---	---	3
35-41	Ziyu Liu	1	---	---	2	3
42-45	Cary Kletter	---	0.5	2	---	2.5
42-45	Hamdanil Rasyid	2.5	---	---	---	2.5
42-45	Ptolemy Lee	---	2.5	---	---	2.5
42-45	Raajas Dixit	2.5	---	---	---	2.5
46-55	Chris Jacobs	---	---	---	2	2
46-55	Clyde Taylor	---	2	---	---	2
46-55	Deepayan Bardhan	2	---	---	---	2
46-55	Greg Maxey	---	---	1	1	2
46-55	Jonathan Caspi	2	---	---	---	2
46-55	Mark Vernik	---	2	---	---	2
46-55	Matthew Smith	0	---	2	---	2
46-55	Samuel Chen	---	---	---	2	2
46-55	Sebastien Dehaen	---	---	2	---	2
46-55	Zidaan Kapoor	1	1	---	---	2
56	Raghuram Vungutur	---	1.5	---	---	1.5
57-61	Alastair Rampell	---	---	1	---	1
57-61	John Lilles	1	---	---	---	1
57-61	Jose Hernandez	1	---	---	---	1
57-61	Peter Roumeliotis	1	---	---	---	1
57-61	Sukhmal Kapur	---	1	---	---	1
62-63	Phineas Lee	---	0	---	---	0
62-63	Vishal Kapoor	---	0	---	---	0

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Episode #2:



GM Andrew Hong
By FM Kevin Pan



leadership, and community impact. How do you feel?

AH: Well. First of all, I am very grateful, very blessed and honored to receive this award. Hundreds of qualified candidates. Just blessed to receive this award.

KP: Great. Great. So, you received the prestigious GM title in 2021, during the COVID pandemic, when most

chess players were not able to play tournaments at all. Can you share your journey? How were you able to keep playing these high-level tournaments?

AH: During the pandemic, I feel like I was pretty similar to everyone else. I feel I was a little bit out of it, but ... the one thing the pandemic did was it gave me a little bit more time. I couldn't see too far into the future. At that time, I didn't know what was going to happen. So, I just worked a little bit every day. So, when tournaments started to come back again, it started to pay off.

AH: Yeah, like most of us, you are taking advantage of the online school, right? Easier (to manage time) and spent more time at

chess...

The number one highest rated 17-year-old in the U.S. and recent Scholar Chess Player of the year winner, Andrew Hong is a famous young grandmaster currently attending Saratoga High School.

He has scored wins over top players like GM Ian Nepomniactchi and GM Wesley So in the Pro Chess League Arena. We take a deep dive into his chess career so far and his mindset that lead him to be so successful

KP: Hello everyone. Today we have GM Andrew Hong with us.

KP: Andrew, Congratulations on your Scholar Chess Player of the Year Award, the most premier award any scholastic chess player in the US could ever receive, recognizing not only excellence in chess, but also in academics,

AH: Yeah, it's a bit easier (to manage my time). so, I just worked a little more. Small footsteps...
Paid off

KP: It took you two years from FM to IM, and also two years from IM to GM. It doesn't seem like these titles are hard for you. Was there any particular moment or any tournament you felt particularly frustrated or challenged?

AH: I still say there were challenges ... I was always challenged. When I was an IM, I was a bit frustrated during that time ...I was tilted. I had the potential to be a lot stronger but my rating didn't reflect what I thought I could be. So, I was frustrated and challenged during this time. But there is nothing you could do. Just have to keep working and see what happens.

KP: That's a good message. So, was there a game or two you particularly liked?

AH: My favorite game...I think for all three of my norms I achieved I had to win on demand at the last round as black. So those games are probably my favorite (in the journey towards) GM title because those games really reflect my resiliency and my willingness to

fight and not back down.

KP: When the pressure was on you were able to perform. That was very impressive. So now let's talk about your overall chess journey. I noticed two interesting things. You started playing chess in Jul 2012. And you managed to achieve a 1600 rating during the first month. For most beginners that was pretty amazing. Could you share how you started? Did you start elsewhere?

AH: I started learning chess at a local chess club in China. The first time I saw a game was when my brother brought home that sheet of six tactics. I saw those games and I don't know...it just sort-of clicked to me. I got interested in it right away. Soon I began attending that same club. I have big shout-outs to the instructors there. They (helped) build a very very solid foundation. After I learned there soon, I came to the US. I guess the 1600 rating was pretty impressive. I attributed that to the instructors from the local chess club.

KP: Tying back to this, for players at your caliber, usually they have hundreds of tournaments in their US Chess history. I was very surprised to find you have played less than 150 tournaments in US Chess. Was it by design, like you.

take time between tournaments to improve, or? Why did you do this?

AH: Some people play many tournaments to learn and get better. Or you can be like me playing a lot less - for me it was by design. Between tournaments I analyzed my games. My goal was to play one tournament per month ideally. Sometimes that even never happened because of schools and so on. Also esp. When I was very young, I was a bit scared (of playing tournaments). Was confident enough all the time. It was not my style to play lots of tournaments. I wanna be more confident before I play tournaments. Nowadays I am a lot more experienced. Confidence is no longer an issue.

KP: If you were your younger self, would you tell yourself to play more tournaments, or are you happy with where you are?

AH: I am happy with how it pans out, but I think it'd be interesting to see how playing lots of tournaments would turn out. One of the most prominent examples I know was when I played grandmaster Hans Niemann. He is famous for playing lots and lots of tournaments and that is how he learned. I think it'd be interesting

to see the other way, but I am in general very happy with where I am.

KP: Moving onto more general questions. Which part of chess do you like the most?

AH: In general, I like the ability to create - creativity and imagination. That was why I loved composing studies a lot. Because there is so much beauty in them. You get to think outside of the box and create positions that wouldn't happen in real chess games.

KP: I am sure many people can relate to that. Now the other side. Anything you dislike?

AH: I like the game but sometimes it gets a little boring. I started to dislike tons of opening preps. I feel like it takes the fun and beauty of the game away. But it is necessary to do opening prep, so you just have to do that. Preferably I would like to play maybe a couple decades ago when there was more room for creativity.

KP: Yeah, I have to agree with that too. The opening prep is not my thing. Which chess player do you admire the most? And why do you like them?

AH: All along my biggest inspiration is the 13th world champion Garry Kasparov. I have always admired his energetic attacking, very aggressive style - he likes to take initiative a lot. As a kid I always modeled my games after him, not being afraid to give up material, sacrificing and playing energetically. He really had this passion for the game that meant a lot to me. On another note, I also like Grandmaster Sasha Grischuk because he has a lot of humor - if you ever watched any of his interviews, you'll see he's very intelligent.

KP: Ok now let's move on to life outside of chess. We mentioned in the beginning you are a chess scholar. Would you mind sharing the academic success that you are most proud of? Or any positive community impact you have, maybe using chess?

AH: I took a lot of APs, AMC (math contests) and a bunch of other things. I led my school chess club, grew the membership, and also brought tournaments to the local community, hosted fund raising for our schools. I also did lectures, teaching mostly for the school chess club but also outside. For the past few months, we've expanded outside of school into the

community. Our high school is trying to reach out to other high schools and broaden the scope of our impact. Our team provides teaching resources as well as hosting events and tournaments for younger players.

KP: That's definitely very helpful for the community. You mentioned so many things. As a grandmaster, how do you balance your chess with so many other things? What does your typical day look like?

AH: To be honest, junior year is extremely busy. I probably slacked off a bit in terms of chess training. Ideally, I would have liked to train a bit more. Just do the best you can, you can't ask for everything. Prioritize things. ...yeah, it is tough. A typical day...I go to school, then maybe an hour of chess? I like...and I play a lot of sports. Time is extremely limited

KP: Would you mind sharing what sports you play?

AH: This year in the spring I did track and field. I think next year I will play basketball. As for any tips I'd share - prioritize. Sometimes you may have to finish an assignment which is worth a lot of points, you just have to do that. Do a little bit and there...just do the

best you can and make the best out of it.

KP: That was a very good mindset. Moving on ... how do what you learn in chess apply to your life outside of chess? Any specific lessons?

AH: I like that the game is like a metaphor for life. Say you are a pawn. When you reach the last rank, you can become any piece you like. That's a metaphor for life. It doesn't matter where you start. You can start like a pawn. But your life...you can do your best and work hard. And you can become anyone you want to be.

KP: Wow. That's very deep and motivating. Looking into the future. You are a GM now. What's your next goal? Super GM?

AH: My goal ...I don't have any quantifiable goal, I guess. I just want to become better. I still have a lot of room to improve.

KP: Ten years from now how do you see yourself?

AH: I still want to pursue another career. I don't know what I want to be. Let's say a data scientist? I also want to be a top player too. I want to pursue both but whether that's

possible or feasible remains to be seen. My goal is to try to do both.

KP: Nice... so one final question, for a 6-year-old out there who wants to replicate your success, what suggestion would you give to him or her for the chess career?

AH: Take one step at a time. As long as you have interests and passion for the game, just keep pursuing it. You don't really need to set a goal like I need to be at this rating. Everyone has his or her own path. Everyone learns at their own pace. As long as you keep working, it's not about how fast you get there. Just keep working, keep going forward and that's what's important.

KP: Ok that wraps it up for today. Thank you. Thank you for your time.

Here is one of Andrew's recent brilliant games at the 2022 U.S. Junior Championships where he finished second

California's Chess Talents!

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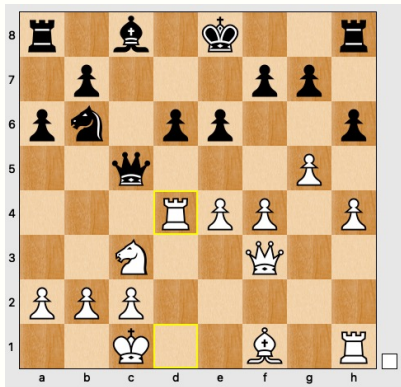
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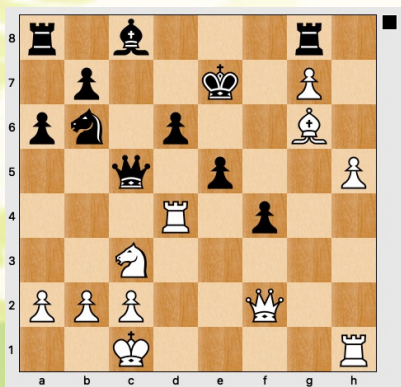
2022 U.S. Junior Championship, B99: Sicilian, Najdorf (7...Be7) main line

Annotated by FM Kevin Pan

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bg5 e6 7.f4 Be7 8.Qf3 Qc7 9.O-O-O Nbd7 10.g4 h6 11.Bxf6 Bxf6 12.h4 Nb6 13.g5 Bxd4 14.Rxd4 Qc5

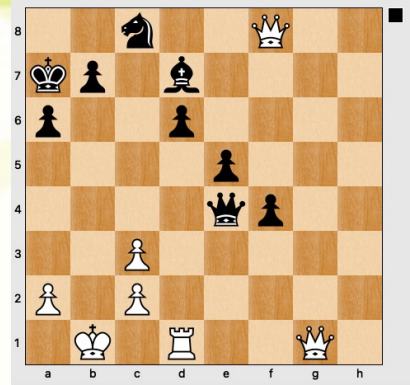


A relatively well-known position in the Najdorf 15.Qf2 Andrew's novelty, placing white's queen in line with the black queen, opening up discovered check opportunities 15...hxg5 16.e5 ! gxf4 (16...dxe5 17.Rd8+ Kxd8 18.Qxc5 Qf2 comes into play) 17.Bd3 f5 ? Trying to stop Ne4 18.exf6 e5 19.fxg7 Rg8 20.Bg6+ Ke7 21.h5 !



Giving up the rook in exchange for double passed pawns!
 21...Qxd4 22.Qh4+ Kd7 23.h6 Kc6 24.Be4+ Kc7 25.Qf6 (25.h7 ? Rxg7 26.h8=Q Rg1+ 27.Rxg1 Qe3+ 28.Kd1 Qxg1+ 29.Kd2 Nc4+ !

30.Ke2 Bg4+ And black wins)
 25...Bd7 26.Rd1 Qe3+ 27.Kb1 Kb8 28.h7 The pawns come charging forward 28...Ka7 29.hxg8=Q Rxg8 30.Qf7 Rc8 31.g8=Q Rxc3 32.bxc3 Qxe4 33.Qff8 Nc8 34.Qg1+ With two queens on the board, black resigns *



FIDE Queen's Festival by WCM Ashley Pang

After declaring 2022 as the year of the woman in chess, FIDE began organizing more female-centered events to encourage the participation of women within the sport. Throughout the month of June, I played in The Queens' Online Chess Festival, a continental blitz tournament featuring hundreds of female chess enthusiasts from 90 federations worldwide. Due to global time differences and the large number of players, the qualification phase was split between continents and separated into categories. Following the qualification phase was a round-robin blitz final which determined the ultimate "Queens" of each category.

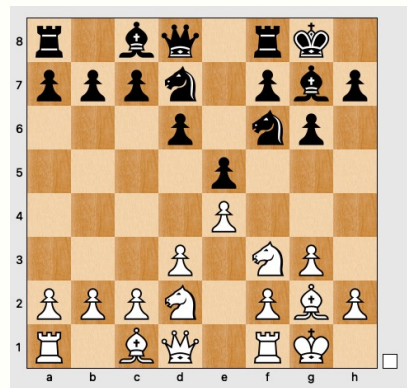
Out of curiosity, I registered for The Queen's Online Chess Festival hoping to play some interesting games while supporting the initiative to raise awareness for women's chess. After placing second and garnering 8.5 points out of the 11 rounds in the Americas Category B qualification, I managed to secure my spot in the individual finals. The highly anticipated finals came a couple weeks later at 5 AM Pacific Time... Although sleep

deprivation got the best of me; I took the bronze medal with 6/9. WFM Lala Shohradova from Turkmenistan placed first with 7.5/9 and Aysel Mammadova from Azerbaijan took second with 6.5/9.

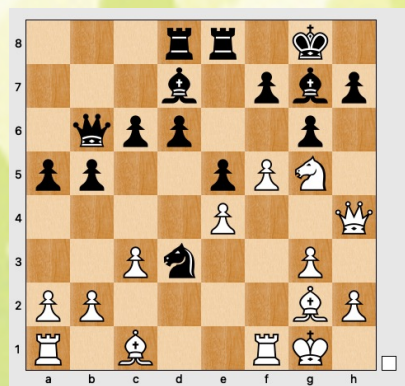
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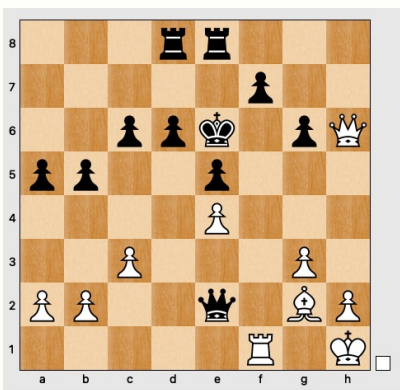
1.g3 Nf6 2.Bg2 g6 3.d3 Bg7 4.Nd2 d6 5.e4 Nbd7 6.Ngf3 O-O 7.O-O e5
[#] Reti Opening



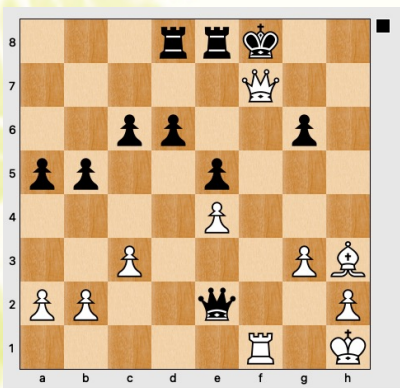
8.c3 c6 9.Ne1 (9.a4 a5 10.d4 Re8 11.Re1 **giving white more space**) 9...Re8 10.Nc4 Qc7 11.f4 b5 12.Ne3 [#] 12...a5 (12...exf4 13.gxf4 Bb7 14.f5 c5 15.Ng4 c4 **White's attack is too slow compared to Black's plans in the center** 16.Nxf6+ Nxf6 17.Bg5 Nd7) 13.f5 Nc5 14.Nf3 Bd7 15.Ng5 Rad8 16.Ng4 Nxg4 17.Qxg4 Nxd3 18.Qh4 (18.Be3 ! [#] **stopping all counterplay with Qb6**) 18...Qb6+ [#]



(18...h6 19.Nxf7 Kxf7 20.fxg6+ Kxg6 (20...Kg8 21.Bxh6 Qa7+ 22.Kh1 Bxh6 23.Qxh6 Be6 24.Rf3 Nc5 25.Rf7 Bxf7 26.Qh7+ Kf8 27.Rf1 ! Rd7 28.g7+ Ke7 29.Qh4+ Ke6 30.Bh3#) 21.Bxh6 Be6 22.Rf3 Rf8 23.Raf1 Rxf3 24.Bxf3 Bxh6 25.Bh5+ Kh7 26.Bg6+ Kg8 27.Qxh6 =) 19.Kh1 Nf2+ 20.Rxf2 Qxf2 21.Qxh7+ Kf8 { [#] } 22.Ne6+ ?? (22.Be3 **forcefully removing the queen to play plans like f6**) 22...Bxe6 23.Bh6 Bxh6 24.Qxh6+ Ke7 25.Rf1 [#] 25...Qe2 (25...Rh8 { threatening Rxh2 and Rh8 }) 26.fxe6 Kxe6 ??

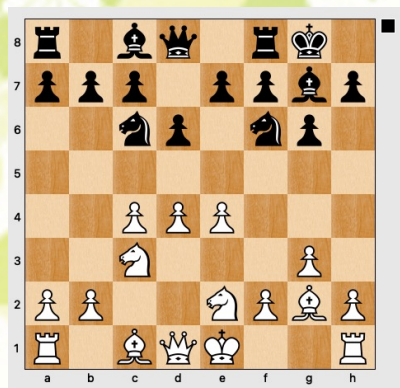


[#] (26...Rf8 **only move** 27.Qg5+ Kxe6 28.Bh3+ f5 29.Qxg6+ Kd7 30.Qg7+ Kc8 31.exf5 ∞) 27.Bh3+ Ke7 28.Qh4+ Kf8 29.Qh8+ Ke7 30.Qf6+ Kf8 31.Qxf7# 1-0

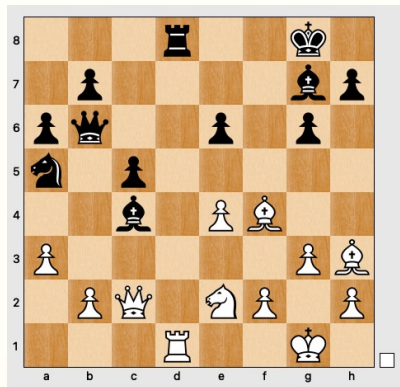


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E61: King's Indian Defence (3.Nc3)

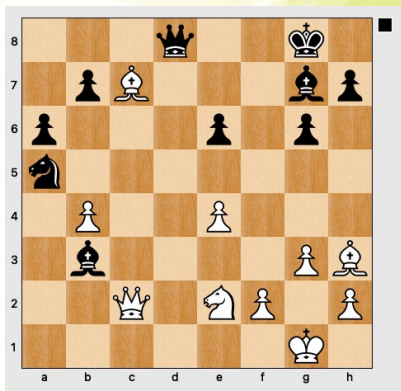
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.g3 O-O 5.Bg2 d6 6.e4 Nc6 7.Nge2 [#]
King's Indian structure



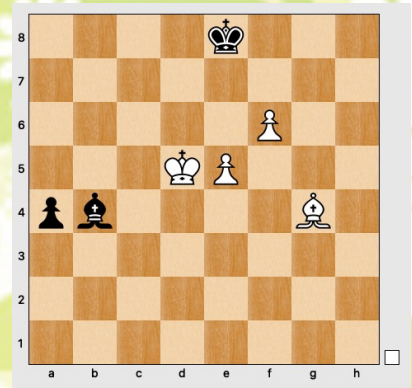
7...a6 8.O-O Rb8 9.a3 Na5 10.Qa4 c5 11.dxc5 dxc5 12.Bf4 Bd7 13.Qc2 Rc8 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.cxd5 [#] 15...Qb6 (15...b5 16.Rad1 Qb6 17.b3 e5 18.Be3 Qd6 19.f4 ?! c4 **Black has a comfortable position**) 16.Rab1 Bb5 ? [#] 17.Rfd1 (17.Bh3 e6 18.Rfd1 Rcd8 19.b3 **White has the active double bishops and Black's pieces are placed on awkward squares**) 17...Rfd8 18.Bh3 e6 19.dxe6 fxe6 20.Rxd8+ Rxd8 21.Rd1 [#] 21...Bc4 ??



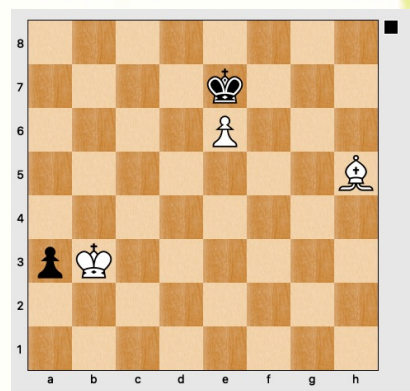
(21...Rxd1+ 22.Qxd1 Bxb2 **although Black is up a pawn, after a4 and Bg5, Black needs to return to defending, most likely resulting in a drawn endgame**) 22.Rxd8+ Qxd8 23.b4 cxb4 (23...Bd3 24.Qd2 Nc6 25.Bxe6+ Kh8 26.Bd5 c4 27.Nc1 +-18) 24.axb4 Bb3 { [#] } 25.Bc7



Bh4 58.Ba4 Bg5 59.Kf5 Bh4 60.e6
+-) 50...Ke7 51.f6+ Ke8 52.Bg4 a4

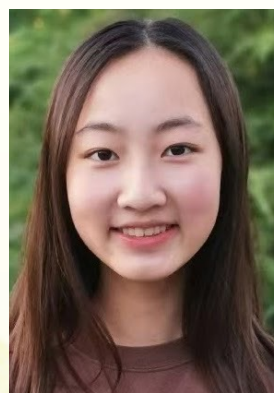


now the white must prevent the
black pawn from getting too far
53.e6 a3 time forfeit White Loss
on Time 54.Bh5+ Kf8 55.Kc4 Be7
56.fxe7+ Kxe7 57.Kb3 =



The game could have continued
like this. I was very lucky that Lala
flagged, which secured my third-
place finish. 0-1

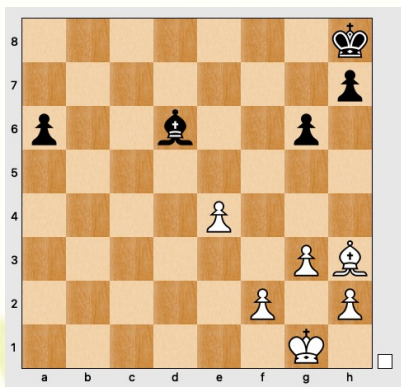
WCM Ashley Pang



- Top 3 ranked 14-year-old female in the US.
- 2018 World Cadets Chess Championship Bronze Medal
- National Champion in the 2017 North American All Girls Championship,

- North American Youth Champion 2016
- State champion in the 2021 CalChess Women's State Championship.
- Qualified to be on Team USA for the 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021
- One of top boards for school team to represent US in World School Team Tournament as part of Dubai World Expo 2020.

{ [#] } (25.Qb1 the only move
25...Qd1+ 26.Qxd1 Bxd1 27.Bxe6+
Kf8 28.bxa5 Bxe2 29.Bd5 Bc3
30.Bc7 White will take the b7
pawn and go on to win the
endgame with two extra pawns)
25...Qc8 (25...Bxc2 26.Bxd8 Nc6
27.Bxe6+ Kf8 28.Bb6 Bxe4 =+)
26.Qc5 Nc6 27.Bd6 Qd7 28.Nf4
[#] 28...b6 ? (28...Bd4 ! White
has no good squares for the
queen) 29.Qe3 Qxd6 30.Qxb3
Nxb4 ? 31.Nxe6 Kh8 32.Ng5 Qf8
33.Nf7+ Kg8 34.Nd6+ Kh8 35.Qxb4
Be5 36.Qxb6 Qxd6 37.Qxd6 Bxd6



[#] 38.Bd7 (38.f4 Kg7 39.e5 Be7
40.Bd7 bringing the king in and
creating another passed pawn
should be an easy win for white)
38...Kg7 39.f4 a5 40.Kf2 Bc5+
41.Kf3 h5 42.e5 Kf7 43.h3 Bg1
44.g4 hxg4+ 45.hxg4 Bc5 46.f5 gxf5
47.gxf5 Bd4 48.Ke4 Bc3 49.Kd5 Bb4
[#] 50.Be6+ ?? (50.Ba4 White
must prevent the a5 from moving
forward, with plans to play Bb3 at
some point 50...Be7 51.Bb3 a4
52.Bxa4 Bh4 53.Kd6 Bg5 54.Bb3+
Kf8 55.f6 Bh4 56.Ke6 Bg5 57.Bd1

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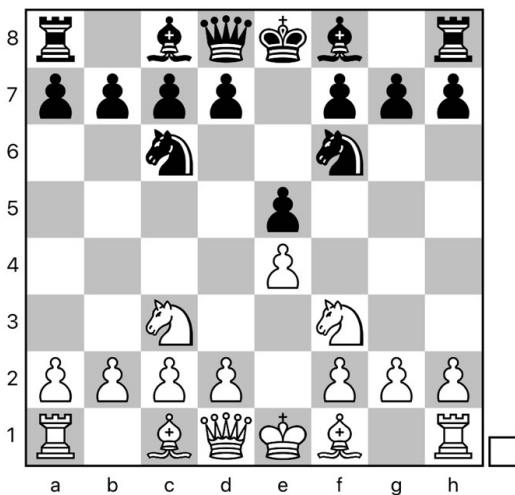
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C47: Four

Knights, Ioseliani-Glek variation

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♘c3
♘f6



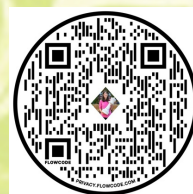
This opening is called the
Four Knights Game.

4.g3 Macy's white colored
bishop can also develop to
c4 or b5 .Since Macy moved
the pawn to g3 ,Macy needs
to be careful now since her
h3 and f3 squares are not
protected by her g pawn
anymore. Later on in this
game, she ran into problems
with the weak the f3 square.

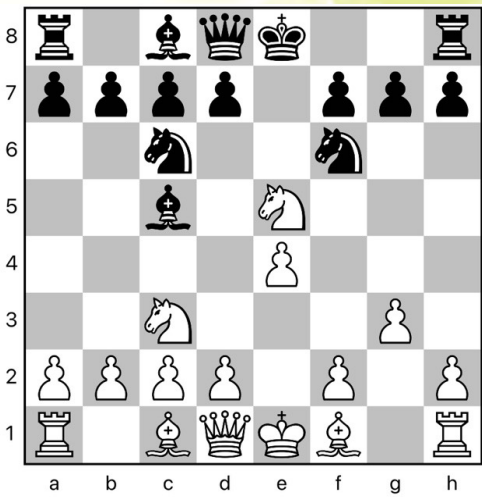
4...♘c5 5.♘xe5??

Since chess is a male-
dominated game, I want to share a
game that Miyuki Sakaki played.
She's one of my girl students who
recently started to play in United
States Chess Federation
tournaments. On June 17th, 2022,
Miyuki played in a free online all-
girls chess event, hosted by the
organization,
<https://www.hermovenext.com>,
which offers scholastic K-12 girls
from beginners to advanced chess
players a safe virtual opportunity
to play, coach, and more in a
welcoming environment. If you
are a girl chess player, I suggest
you checking out
HerMoveNext.com. This is a great
opportunity to play against other
girl chess players from all over the
country!

In the game, both players
made several big mistakes. At the
end, I thought Miyuki did a pretty
good job taking advantage of her
opponent's mistakes and
checkmates her opponent using her
queen. I hope you find my
analysis to be helpful! Both
players are USCF online rated
below 1000.



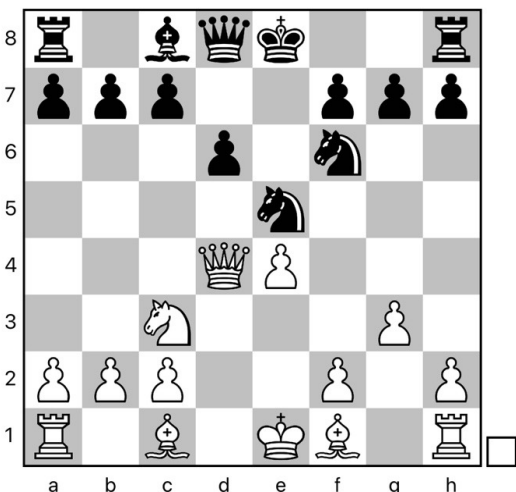
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go to Chess By
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Taking Miyuki's e5 pawn is a mistake since the e5 pawn is protected by Miyuki's knight on c6. Avoid making silly mistakes like this by asking, "If I move here, is it safe?" before moving.

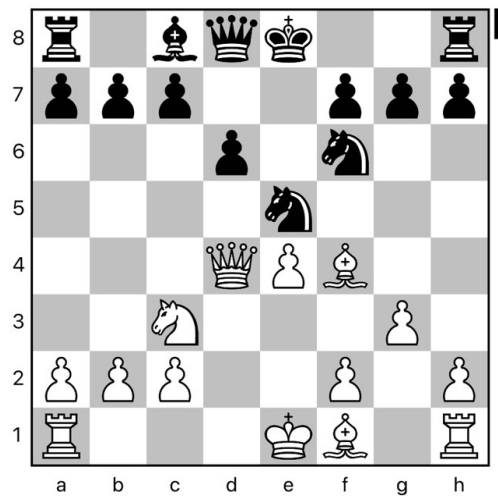
5... ♖xe5 6.d4 This pawn is now forking Miyuki's knight on e5 and bishop on c5. This is a great try by Macy to attempt to get her piece back
6... ♗xd4 This is a great move, to set up the knight killer fork, Nf3, if 7.Qxd4.

7. ♕xd4 Capturing Miyuki's bishop on d4 is a mistake because Miyuki can move Nf3 to safely fork Macy's king and queen! If Macy didn't move her pawn to g3 on the 4th move, then Macy wouldn't have to worry about Nf3 since the g2 pawn controls the f3 square .7...d6??



I'm glad that Miyuki was aware that Macy's queen was threatening to safely capture her knight on e5. Therefore, 7...d6 does a good job protecting the knight! Miyuki actually missed the winning 7...Nf3 + move, forking Macy's queen and king! Before every move, consider all checks to not miss any potential tactics and checkmates!

8. ♖f4??



This is a huge mistake, because this move still allows 8...Nf3. To avoid getting forked by your opponent, look at all their checks and captures before moving!

8... ♗e7?? Miyuki missed the killer fork move, Nf3 again. This is why considering all checks and captures before moving is very important.

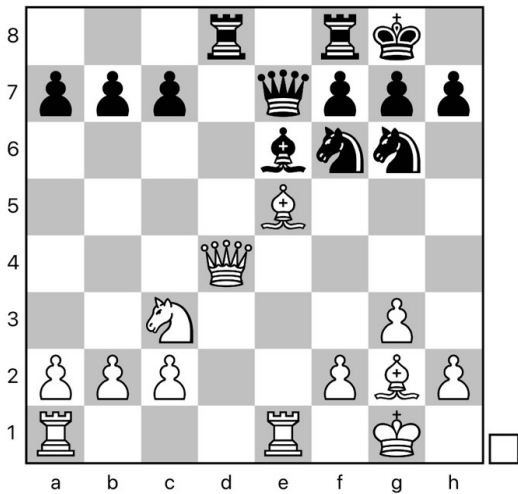
9. ♗g2 This move now prevents the killer Nf3+ move since the bishop is now controlling the f3 square.

9...O-O 10.O-O ♖g6 Instead of Ng6, to get fancy, Miyuki can also try Bh3. If 11. Bxh3, then Nf3+, forking Macy's queen and king!

11. ♖fe1 I prefer 11.Bg5 to pin Miyuki's f6 knight to the queen on e7 because Macy is now threatening to ruin Miyuki's pawn structure with 12.Bxf6.

11... ♙e6 12.e5 dxe5

13. ♙xe5 ♖ad8

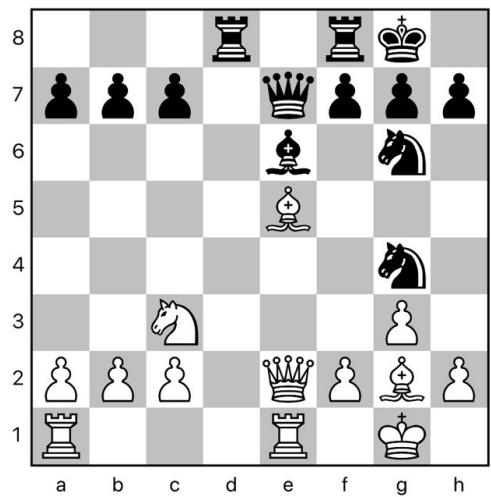


I prefer Nxe5 over Rad8 because this move captures Macy's strong bishop on e5. Rad8 allows Qxa7.

14. ♚e3?? This is a mistake. Macy should have just simply captured Miyuki's pawn on a7. Miyuki takes advantage of Qe3 on her next move.

14... ♘g4 This is a great move since the knight on g4 is forking Macy's queen and bishop on e5. Now both of Miyuki's knights are attacking Macy's bishop on e5. In other words, Miyuki is threatening to win Macy's e5 bishop after Macy moves her queen to a safe square.

15. ♚e2



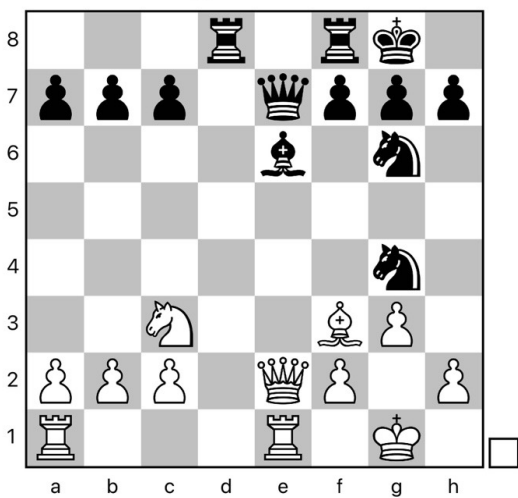
Moving the queen to e2 saves the queen from the knight capture on g4, but this move doesn't threaten anything. In this position, I would probably capture Miyuki's pawn on a7, attempting to capture Miyuki's kingside pawns. Macy has no good queen moves to protect the e5 bishop. For example, notice that 15. Qd4 fails to Rxd4. If 15. Qc5, then 15...Qxc5. If 15. Qf4, then 15...Nxf4. If 15. Qg5, then 15...Qxg5.

15... ♞4xe5! This was the correct knight to capture Macy's bishop on e5 since Miyuki's knight on g6 is on a secure square defending the other knight on e5.

If 15...N6xe5, Macy's queen cannot safely capture Miyuki's knight on e5 due to the knight defender on g4. However, since the black knight on g4 is too close to Macy's pawns, Macy can easily attack the g4 knight by moving 16.h3. Once the g4 knight moves to a safe square, then Macy's queen can safely capture Miyuki's knight on e5. This tactic is called "removing the defender."

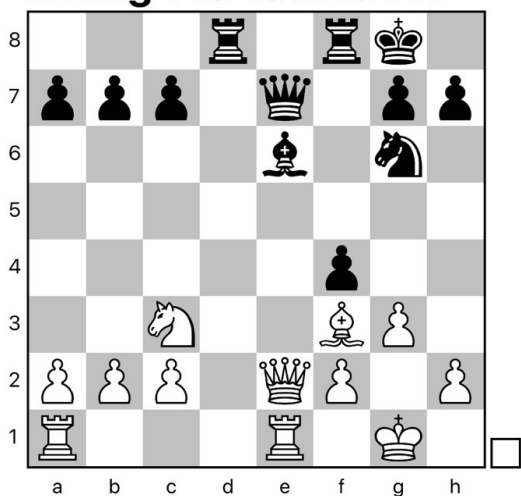
16. ♙f3 ♞g4??





This is a huge mistake since Macy can safely capture Miyuki's knight on g4 for free. Always ask, "If I move here, is it safe?" before moving. Try to calculate several moves ahead. A better try would be 16... Rd2. If 17. Qxd2, then 17... Nxf3+, forking Macy's king, queen, rook, and h2 pawn!

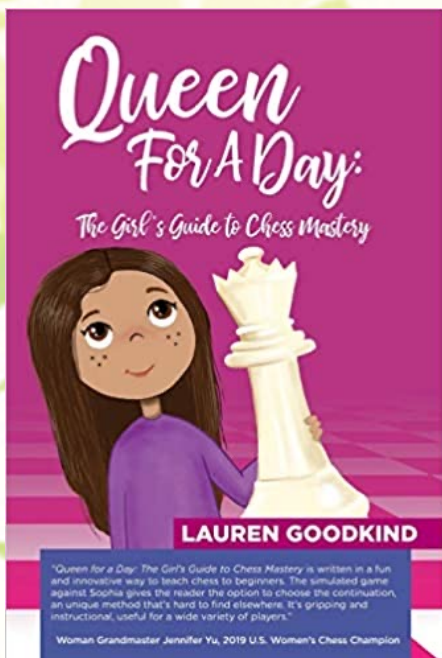
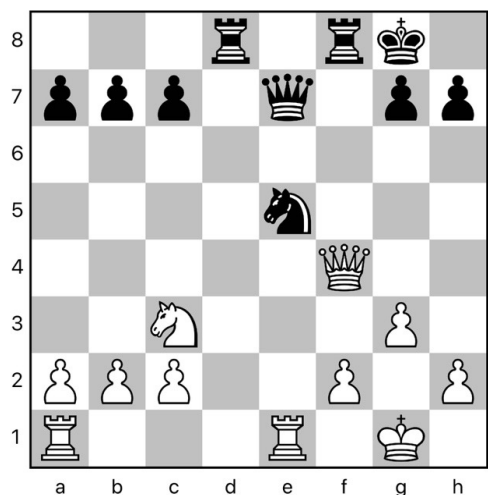
17. ♖xg4 f5 18. ♖f3 f4?



This is a mistake because Macy can win Miyuki's bishop on e6. Notice that Miyuki only has one defender defending the bishop on e6, which happens to be the queen on e7. Macy has the queen on e2 and the rook on e1 for backup, attacking Miyuki's bishop on e6. Before moving, asking the question, "Can my opponent safely capture a piece(s)?" is essential. A better try for Miyuki is 18... Rf6, which defends the e6 bishop.

19. ♕g4 ♕xg4 20. ♖xg4 ♗e5 Even though this knight move attacks Macy's queen on g4, Miyuki needs to be careful because Macy's rook on e1 is now pinning the e5 knight to Miyuki's queen on e7. In general, moving your pieces to become pinned is not a good idea. A better try for Miyuki would be 20... Qb4, which attacks Macy's knight on c3 and the unprotected b2 pawn.

21. ♖xf4??



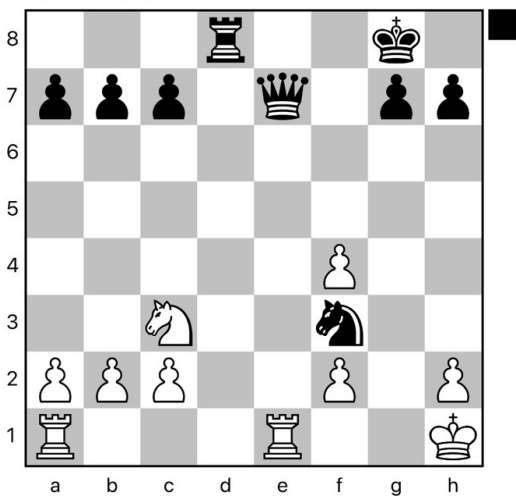
This is a huge mistake by Macy because capturing the f4 pawn isn't safe due to the rook on f8. Again, asking the question, "Can I safely capture a piece(s) is very important before moving, to avoid making silly mistakes like this.

21... ♖xf4 Miyuki takes advantage of Qxf4 by simply capturing Macy's queen with her rook .

22.gxf4 Macy's e1 rook is pinning Miyuki's knight on e5

22... ♞f3+ Miyuki's knight finally forks on f3 and this move successfully gets out of the pin from Macy's rook on e1! Macy's rook on e1 cannot capture Miyuki's queen on e7 since Miyuki's knight on f3 is checking her king on g1 .

23. ♔h1?



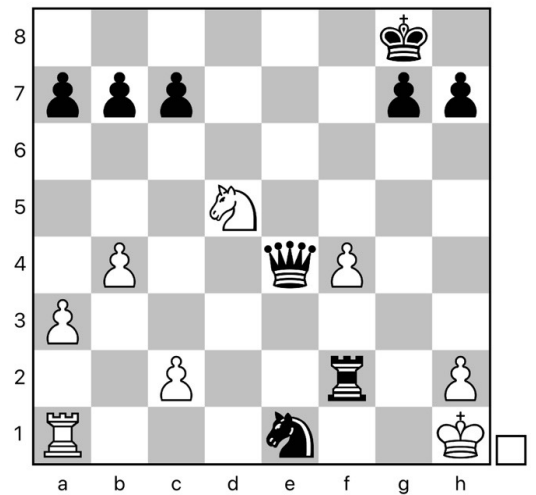
Macy's king should go to f1 to protect her rook on e1 .

23... ♞xe1 24.a3 ♖d2 This is a great move since the rook is penetrating Macy's position.

25.b4 ♖xf2 Now the rook is getting closer to Macy's exposed king on h1 .

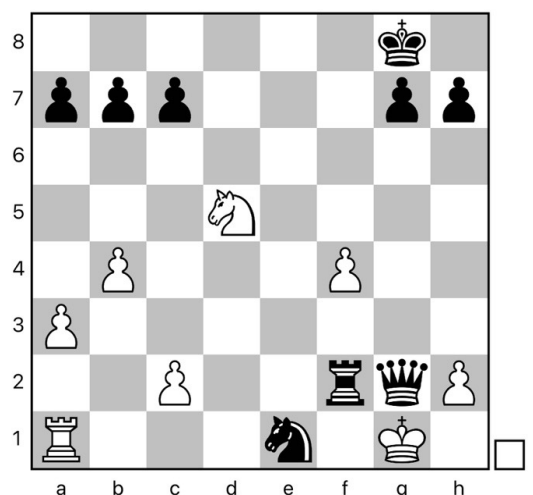
26. ♞d5 Macy attempts to be aggressive with her knight by attacking Miyuki's queen.

26... ♚e4+

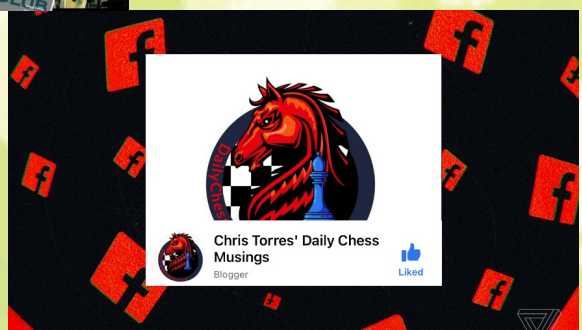


This is a good move since the queen is checking Macy's king and the queen is getting closer to Macy's king too. If you consider all checks, you may find the best move, which is Rf1, checkmate!

27. ♖g1 ♚g2#



Nice queen checkmate by Miyuki! Consider all checks because a check could be a checkmate! In general, when you are attacking with your queen, you want to try your best to safely move your queen as close as possible to your opponent's king. **0-1**



Super States 2022!

The CalChess Scholastic State Championship returned to its over-the-board format for 2022. To create a safe playing environment, The "Super States" was scheduled over 3 weekends (March 19-20, April 9-10, and April 23-24), instead of one just weekend. This important CalChess tradition once again took place at the spacious Santa Clara Convention Center and was expertly organized by Bay Area Chess. CalChess President Tom Langeland returned as the Chief Tournament Director and Bay Area Chess Founder and President Salman Azhar was on hand to make sure the event ran smoothly.

Grade 9-12			
Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Aaron Cho		5.5
1	Krish Matai	DHS	5
2	Devesh Mamidi	MILPITASH	4
2	Andria Xu	HOMESTEAD	3
3	Ernest Zhang	FOOTHILL	3
1-2	Atlee Halderman	APTOS	2.5
4	Vasisht Nishtala	LYNBROOK	2.5
1-2	Vincent Cruz	HOMESCHOOL	2.5
5	Rishab Suresh	LOSALT	1

Grade 8			
Place	Name	Team	Total
1-2	Vian Yang	BELMONT	5
	Om Suthar	MERRYHILL	5
3	Ella Guo	HARKER	4.5
4-5	Siddharth Arutla	HOPKINS	4
	Jay Pasupuleti	FMS	4

Grade 7			
Place	Name	Team	Total
1-2	Shiven Balaji	WRMS	5
	Ya Dancig Perlman		5
3-5	Abhinav Sinha	HOPKINS	4
	Austen Yee	HART	4
	Aida Amin		4

Grade 6			
Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Aavi Bharucha	FMS	5.5
2	Matthew Ma	KEYS	5
3-7	Anusha Mukhopadhyay	HORNERMS	4
	Haichen Gao	STRAT?	4
	Xavier Cruz	HOMESCHOOL	4
	Yuan Qiu		4
	Edward Pan	WESTVALLEY	4

Grade 5			
Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Alexander Pn Ng	GREEN	5
2-4	Ad Vijayasankaran	MARIPOSA	4.5
	Swagatha Selvam	CHADBOURNE	4.5
	Anjali Rao	BLUEHILLS	4.5
5-9	Andrew Andi Wu	KIDSCON	4
	Melissa Xu	WALNUTG	4
	Andrew Xu	FOSTER	4
	Theodore G Shtoyk		4
	Elwen Zhao	MUIR	4

Grade 4			
Place	Name	Team	Total
1-2	David Jin	EISENHOWER	5
	Jenny Qi	OHLONE	5
3-6	Fred Zhang	VINTAGE	4.5
	Adithya Chitta	CHALL-SU	4.5
	Sohan Kuma Mandal	ARDENWOOD	4.5
	Ishaan Ghosh	BREWER	4.5

Grade 3			
Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Daniel Cao	BROOKV	5
2-4	Leo H Chen	AMYIMAI	4
	Advit Am Kulkarni		4
	Neal Sundar	QUARRY	4
5-8	Vedant Verma		3.5
	Neel Moulesha	MATSUMOTO	3.5
	Shreya Rachamalla	HIRSCH	3.5
	Andrew Yu	CHALL-SU	3.5

Grade 2			
Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Young Cheung Cui	GOLDENV	5
2	Go Dancig-Perlman		4.5
3-7	Liam Liu	FOX	4
	Shengjie Fan	STRAT-PL	4
	Carl Lin	OHLONE	4
	Aadhity Ravikiran	HARKER	4
	Boya Wu	STRAT-PL	4

Grade 1			
Place	Name	Team	Total
1-2	Andrew Zou		4.5
	Joshua Xia	BULLIS	4.5
3-6	Vivaan Pavuluri		4
	Rikitha Selvam	CHADBOURNE	4
	Brendan Chia	MILLIKIN	4
	Tyler Rong	STRATFORD?	4

Kinder			
Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Rayna Yan	CHARTER	5
2-7	Kaden Sun	EATON	4
	Chase Wang	MEYERHOLZ	4
	Adit Rajaram		4
	Eli Chu		4
	Kevin Qi	OHLONE	4
	Timmy Qinnuo Fan		4

K-3 Adv (800+)			
Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Arjun Rao	BLUEHILLS	5
2	Advit Am Kulkarni		4
3-7	Zayden Wang	SILVER	3
	Yaksh Patel	BROOKV	3
	Go Dancig-Perlman		3
	Liam Liu	FOXES	3
	Claire ^ Sun	EATON	3

K-12 Inter (400-799)			
Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Arvin Agrawal	FUGMAN	5
2	Jason L Du	FOSTER	4.5
3-4	Benjamin Gu	KENNEDY	4
	Hoyin Xiao	FMS	4
5-9	Ananya Borkar	FMS	3.5
	Shrin Sm20c5 Rudrashetty	FMS	3.5
	Jerry Christo Pan	WRMS	3.5
	Marcus Lau	BLS	3.5
	Ben Mizrach	HELIOS	3.5

Here are some of the games I was shown while attending these fine tournaments. Remember, to show me your games if you would like to see them published in the CalChess Journal!

Rajaram, Adit - Jonnadula, Kushal

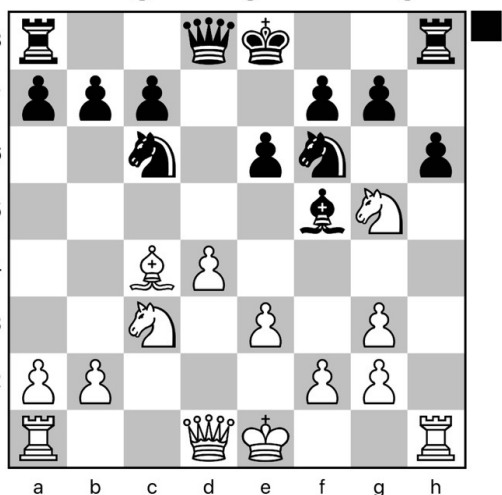
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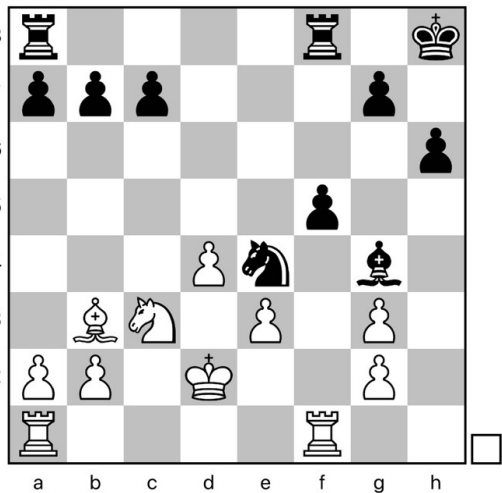
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D02: Queen's Bishop game

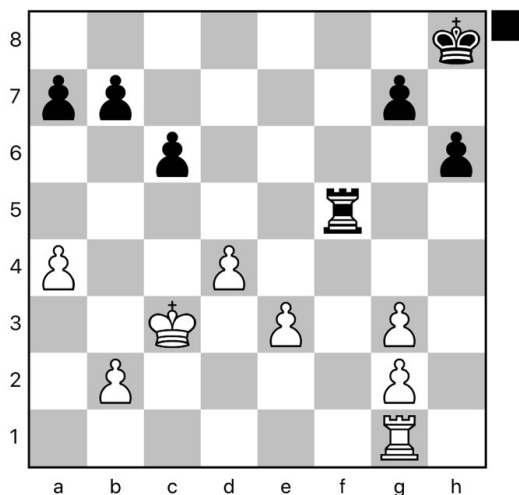
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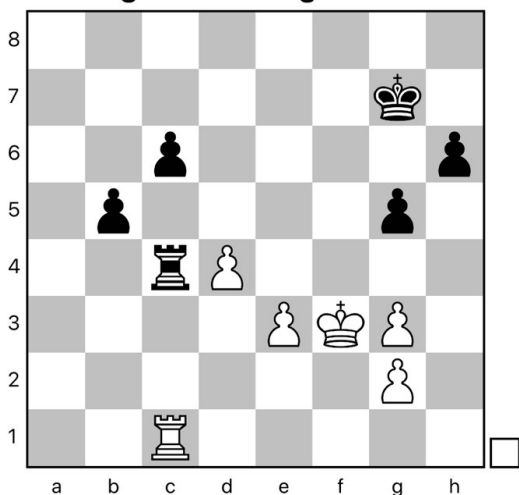
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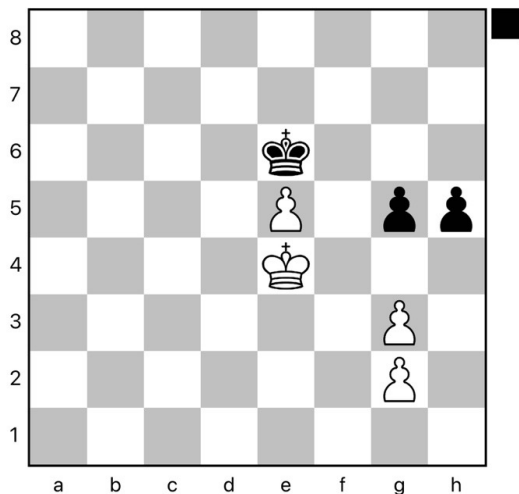
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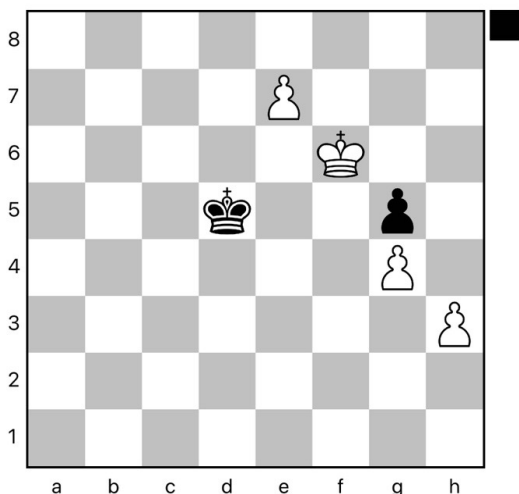
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41.♖xc4 ♗xc4 42.♗e2 ♗f6 43.e4 ♗e6 44.♗e3 c3 45.♗d3 ♗d6 46.♗xc3 c5 47.♗c4 cxd4 48.♗xd4 h5 49.e5+ ♗e6 50.♗e4



50...h4 51.g4 ♗f7 52.♗f5 h3 53.gxh3 ♗e7 54.e6 ♗d6 55.♗f6 ♗d5 56.e7 1-0



See more games along with the event results!



K-12 Begin (u400)

Place	Name	Team	Total
1-2	Harshith Mannaru		5
	Sunwrito Ghosh	HARKER	5
3-4	Vaibhav Vijay	MILLIKIN	4.5
	Brian Ren	LYDIKSEN	4.5
5-12	Ujin Ilo Munkhjin	SURA	4
	Shriya Agrawal	FUGMAN	4
	Chetansai Pothuraju	WELLS	4
	Chinmay Chakravarthi	SEDGWICK	4
	Xizhe Peng	FAIRLANDS	4
	Yugo Bandai	OLIVEIRA	4
	Saambhavi Karthik	MSJE	4
	Emily Jiuru Zheng		4

K-3 Blitz (5/21)

Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Liam Liu		7
2-3	Avnish Gunasekaran		6
	Ethan Han		6
4	Eddie Bohan Wang		5
5-7	Arwen Wan		4
	Winston Kuo		4
	Rithvik Gorur		4

K-6 Blitz (5/21)

Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Shankar Mahadevan	AMS	7
2-3	Matthew Lau		6
	Xavier Cruz		6
4	Matthew Ma		5
5	E Fisher-Kirshner		4

K-12 Blitz (5/21)

Place	Name	Team	Total
1-2	Edward Miu	WEIBEL	6
	Vincent Cruz	HOMESCHOOL	6
3	Arjun Rao		5
4-5	Balaji Mahadevan	HERITAGE	4.5
	Evan Park		4.5

K-12 Champ

Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Nitish Sg Nathan	FORESTPARK	4.5
2-3	Luke Widjaja		4
	Vian Yang	BELMONT	4
4-8	Daniel Tua ^ Videna	YULUPA	3.5
	Addison T Lee	PAHS	3.5
	Aaron Hu		3.5
	Adelyne Yang	HMS	3.5
	Jayden David ^ S^27 Lee	DVHS	3.5

K-12 JrV

Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Vrisha ^ Peddireddi	MHHS	5.5
2	Zerui Titus ^ S^27 Mei	NODDIN	5
3-4	Reyansh ^ S^27 Paragiri	PATTERSON	4.5
	Samir Al Mujumdar	SOLORSANO	4.5
5-8	Theodore G Shtoyk		4
	Aayush ^ S^27 Gandhi	QUARRY	4
	Aditya ^ S^27 Gandhi	QUARRY	4
	Zee Chin	GATE	4

K-12 Adv

Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Om Suthar	MERRYHILL	4.5
2-7	Yuan Qiu		4
	Aarush Kommaraju	BELLAV	4
	Vivek Goorla	DUBLINHI	4
	Tavi Tisminezky	OHLONE	4
	Gavin Katz	FMS	4
	Praty Bhingarkar		4

K-12 Inter

Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Utsav Agarwal	SPANGLER	5
2	Sanjay Ravishankar		4.5
3-10	Dhritee Desai	HOPKINS	4
	Andrew \$m20 Xu	FOSTER	4
	Ankith Gundimeda	FMS	4
	Soumik Maji	CHALL?	4
	Rishab Suresh	LOSALT	4
	Leo Ni	GREEN	4
	Chase Wang		4
	Brian Hoyle		4

K-12 Begin

Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Liam Liu	FOX	5
2-5	Ronak Hiremath	FMS	4
	Timmy Qinnuo Fan	QUAILRUN	4
	Eswar \$53 Vedula	BULLIS	4
	James Hayden	FISCHER	4

K-12 Rookie

Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Aadit Noronha	SARATOGA	5
2	Arjun Sathish Kumar	LUTHERAN	4.5
3-5	Liam Liu	FOX	4
	Atul \$m20c5 Pradhan		4
	Felix Y Chen	QUARRY	4

K-6 Adv (Apr 23)

Place	Name	Team	Total
1-2	Jack ^ S^27 Buswell	WEST	4.5
	Shan Ramesh Lee		4.5
3-6	Vivaan Pavuluri		3
	Vivek Neelam	MURDOCK	3
	Tavi Tisminezky		3
	Sohan Kuma Mandal	ARDENWOOD	3

K-6 Inter (Apr 24)

Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Arnav S^27 Mythil	CHALL-BE	4.5
2	Kashyap Ganapathy		4
3-5	Akshay Vemuri	ARGONAUT	3.5
	Benjamin Gu	KENNEDY	3.5
	Punit Nagpure		3.5

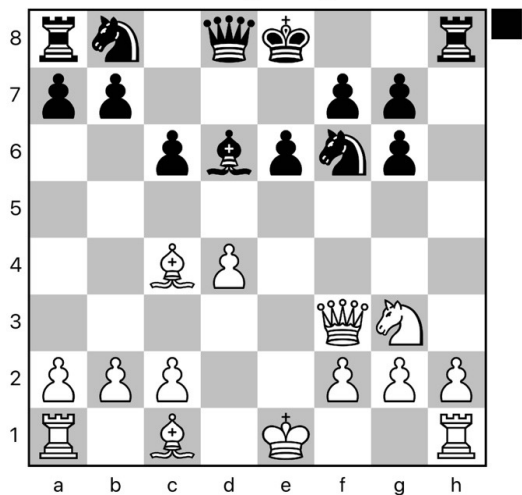
K-6 Begin (Apr 23)

Place	Name	Team	Total
1-2	Adit Rajaram	ARDENWOOD	4.5
	Aakash Senthil	STRAT?	4.5
3-4	Wangchen Gao	STEVENSON	4
	Arwen Wan		4
5-6	Kaitin Santos	DIABLO	3.5
	Mowen Sun	TSFB	3.5

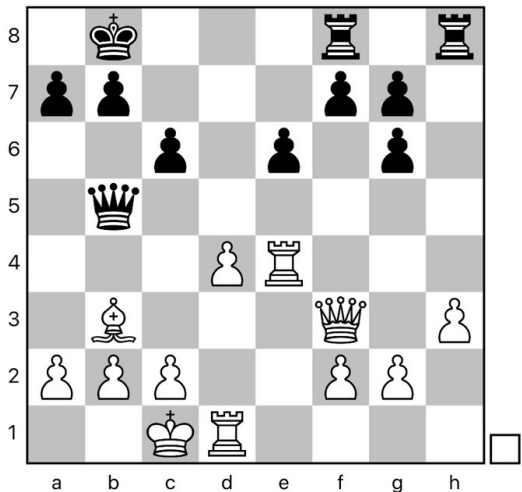


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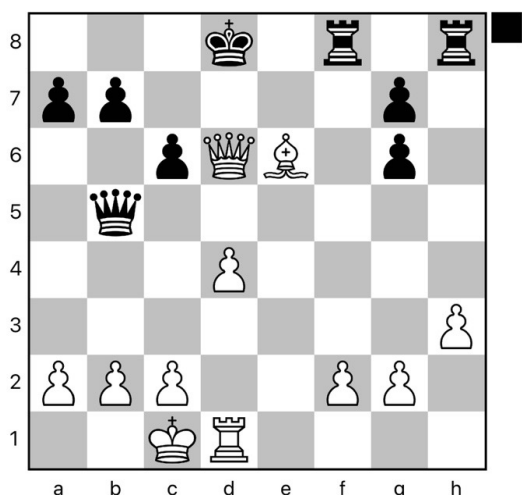
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8.♗e5 ♙d6 9.♗xg6 hxg6 10.♖f3



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13.O-O-O ♖de8 14.♖he1 ♙b8
15.♗e4 ♖a5 16.♙xf6 ♗xf6 17.♗xd6
♖ef8 18.♗e4 ♗xe4 19.♖xe4 ♖a4
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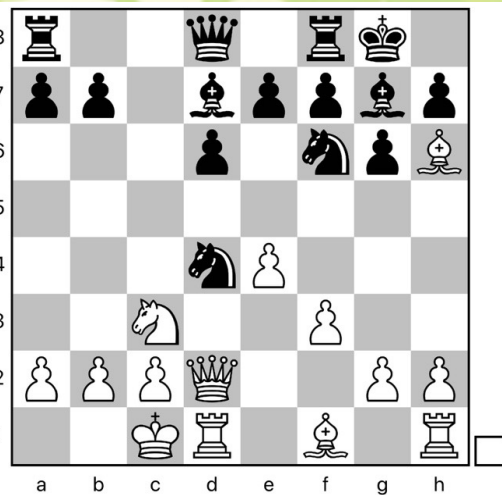


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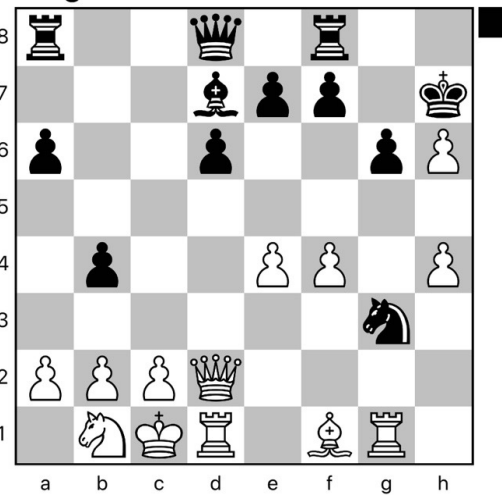
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B76: Sicilian,Dragon,Yugoslav Attack
 (7...O-O)
1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♗xd4
♗f6 5.♗c3 g6 6.♙e3 ♙g7 7.f3 O-O
8.♖d2 ♙d7 9.O-O-O ♗c6 10.♙h6
♗xd4

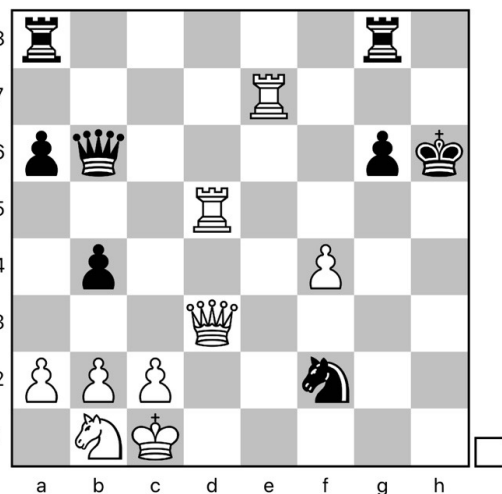
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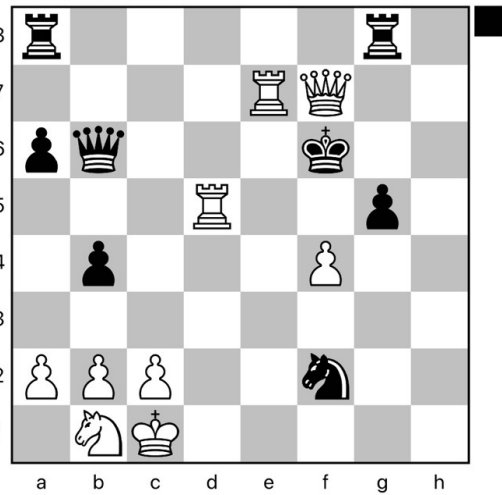
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20.♖g1



20...♗xe4 21.♖d4 ♗f6 22.♙d3 ♖g8
23.♖g5 ♙b5 24.h5 ♙xd3 25.♖xd3
d5 26.hxg6+ fxg6 27.♖dg1 ♗e4
28.♖xd5 ♖b6 29.♖e1 ♗f2 30.♖xe7
+ ♙xh6



31.♖g3 g5 32.♖h2+ ♙g6 33.♖h7+
♙f6 34.♖f7#



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Place	Name	Team	Total
1-2	Michael Xiao		7
	Zhuoyuan Wu		7
3-6	Reyansh Dsouza		5
	Anjali Rao	BLUEHILLS	5
	Arjun Rao	BLUEHILLS	5
	Harshith Sai Mannaru	WARMSPR	5



K-8 Champ

Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Luke Widjaja		5.5
2	Arjun Damaraju	IVA	5
3-5	David Jin	EISENHOWER	4.5
	Siddharth Arutla	HOPKINS	4.5
	Ivan Zhou	STEVENCR	4.5

K-6 JrV

Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Ethan Li	OSTER	5
2	Leo Xie	FMS	4.5
3-9	Sudhiksha Bankuru	QUESTA	4
	Sachit Hegde	FMS	4
	Andrew Andi Wu	KIDSCON	4
	Derek Zou	CHALL?	4
	Leo H H Chen	AMYIMAI	4
	Benjamin Gu	KENNEDY	4
	Gautha Ramalingam	FMS	4

K-8 JrV

Place	Name	Team	Total
1-2	Reyansh Paragiri	PATTERSON	5
	Janya \$22 Sinha	SUTTER	5
3-6	Neal Sundar	QUARRY	4.5
	Reyansh Gupta	CHASE	4.5
	Jay Pasupuleti	FMS	4.5
	Aarya Ar Gorjalar	CHURCHILL	4.5

K-6 Begin (Inter)

Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Edward Pan	WESTVALLEY	5
2	Vikram Snyder	FMS	4.5
3-8	Adit Rajaram		4
	Ayaan Shokeen	STRAT-FR	4
	Timmy Qinnuo Fan	QUAILRUN	4
	Mowen Sun	TSFB	4
	Yanhao Xu	DIABLO	4
	Saambhavi Karthik	MSJE	4

K-8 Inter (Adv)

Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Na Kadaba Pradeep	MORRILL	5
2	Eli Albuquerk	SFFS	4.5
3-6	Leo Xie	FMS	4
	Sourodeep Deb	HOPKINS	4
	Neev Hiten Patel	REDWOOD	4
	Angelina Rame Lee	ZEHNDER	4

K-6 Rookie

Place	Name	Team	Total
1-2	Jasper Leung	PINEWOOD	5
	Rajdarshan Jogdand	WARMSRING	5
3	Alexander Yang	FAIRLANDS	4.5
4-15	Marcus Guan	STRAT-PL	4
	Brian Ren	LYDIKSEN	4
	Felix Y Chen	QUARRY	4
	Shreyan Roy	RAINBOWM	4
	Saahas Kishore	BULLIS	4
	Vishwajith Arvind	LOYOLA	4
	Utsav Agarwal	SPANGLER	4
	Yuchen Li	FRCS	4
	Ivan Yi		4
	Naman Rathi		4
	Jeevika Reddy Lingala	EMGRIMMER	4
	Albert Zhang		4

K-8 Begin (Inter)

Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Aashvi Rangamreddy		5
2	Arlan Rakhimbayev	STEVENSON	4.5
3-5	Aadit Kaza	PLEASANTON	4
	Felix Davis	BULLIS	4
	Marcus Guan	STRAT-PL	4

K-5 Champ

Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Rohan Rajaram	HARKER	5.5
2	Ethan Guo	HARKER	5
3-5	Patrick Peiju Liu	MOHR	4.5
	Reyansh Gupta	CHASE	4.5
	Dylan Tang	HARKER	4.5

K-8 Rookie

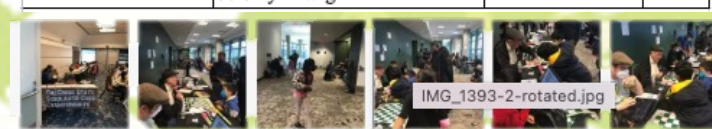
Place	Name	Team	Total
1-2	Christophe Wilson	UNIONMIDDLE	5
	Uy Nguyen	ARMSTRONG	5
3-10	Edmond Foong	DCS	4
	Ayden Wang	CHALL?	4
	Aaron Chen	HAMILTON	4
	Zixuan \$m20 Yin	DARTMOUTH	4
	Eashan Sarraf	WELLS	4
	Akshay Vemuri	ARGONAUT	4
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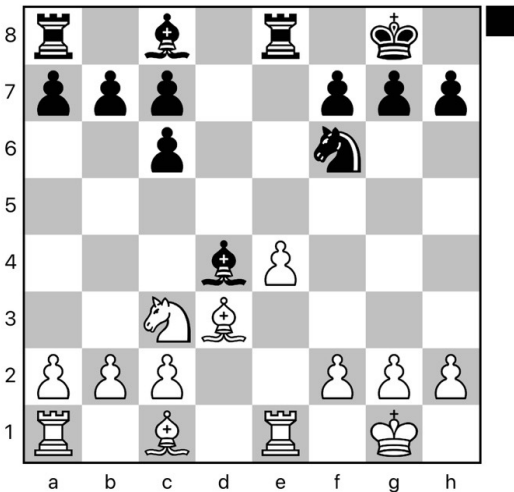
Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Claire Sun	EATON	5
2-5	Marcus \$m20 Lee	MEYERH	4
	Aadhity Ravikiran	HARKER	4
	Xi Yue	VHES	4
	Aayan Padhi	NATOMAES	4

K-6 Champ

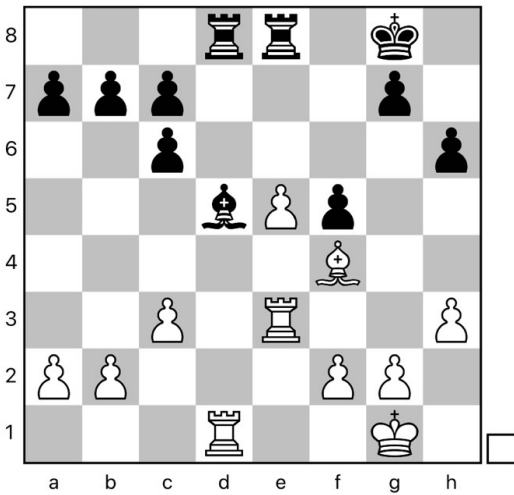
Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Ashwin Damaraju	IVA	6
2	Elwen Zhao	MUIR	5
3-4	Daniel Cao	BROOKV	4.5
	Jimmy Qinmo Fan	QUAILRUN	4.5
5-11	Alexander Pn Ng	GREEN	4
	Raajas Kuna \$87 Dixit	WARMSRING	4
	Arjun Rao	BLUEHILLS	4
	Michael Xiao	MEYERHOLZ	4
	Rayna Yan	BULLIS	4
	Matthew Ma	KEYS	4
	Jeremy Zhang	HARKER	4



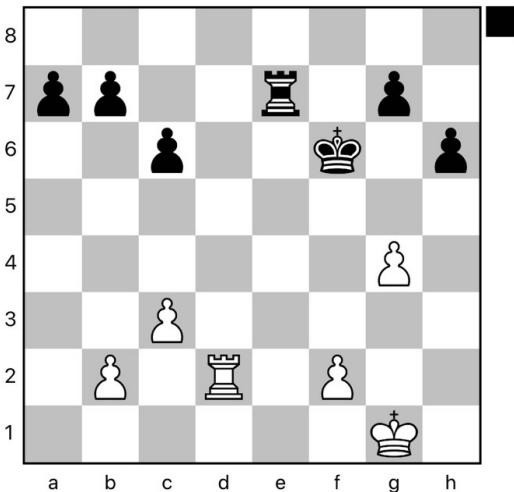
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K6 Champ,Santa Clara (1),2022.04.09
 C42: Petrov's Defence
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4.♗xc6 dxc6 5.♗c3 ♖c5 6.d4 ♗xd4
7.♗xd4 ♗xd4 8.♙d3 O-O 9.O-O ♖e8
10.♖e1



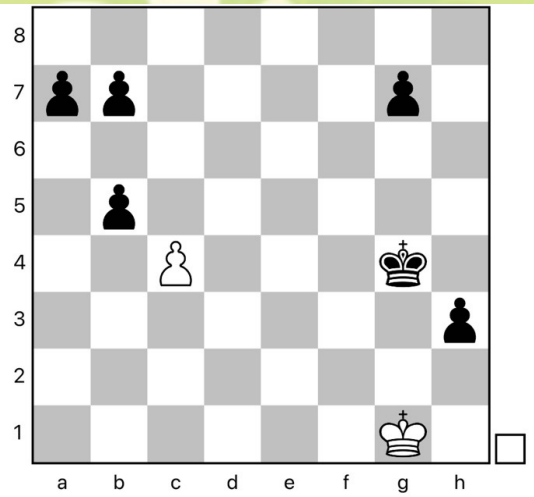
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19.♖xe3 ♖ad8 20.♖d1 h6



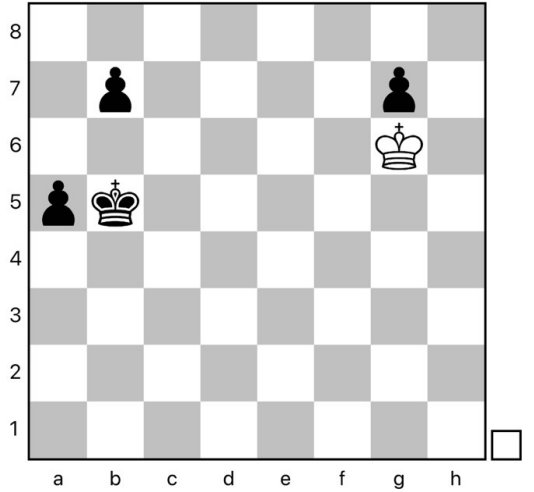
21.e6 ♗xa2 22.♖d7 ♖c8 23.e7 ♗f7
24.♗xc7 ♗e6 25.♖d6 ♖xc7
26.♖xe6 ♖cx7 27.♖xe7+ ♖xe7
28.♖d2 ♗f6 29.g4 fxg4 30.hxg4



30...♗g5 31.f3 ♖f7 32.♗g2 ♗f4
33.♗g1 ♗e3 34.♖f2 ♖xf3 35.♖xf3+
♗xf3 36.♗f1 ♗xg4 37.b4 h5 38.c4
h4 39.♗g1 h3 40.b5 cxb5

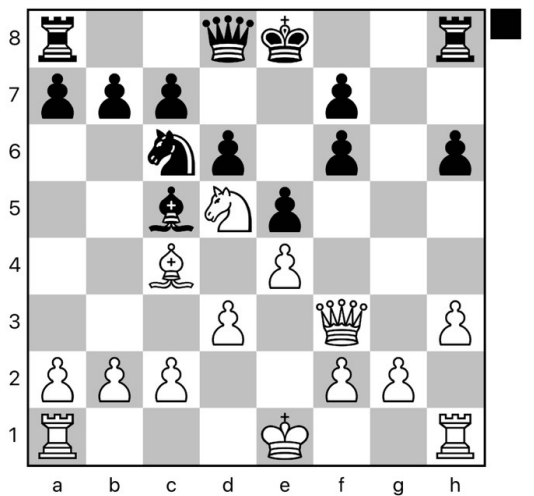


41.cxb5 ♗f4 42.♗h2 ♗e4 43.♗xh3
♗d5 44.♗g4 ♗c5 45.♗g5 ♗xb5
46.♗g6 a5



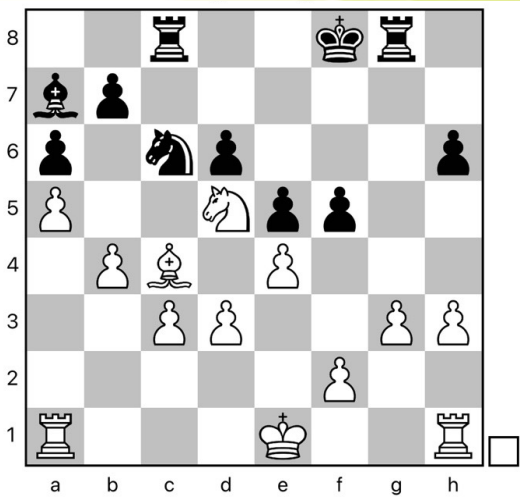
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Liu,Travis - Kumbhare,Shlok 1-0
K8 Champ,Santa Clara,2022.04.09
 C50: Giuoco Pianissimo, Canal variation
1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♗c6 3.♗c4 ♗c5
4.♗c3 ♗f6 5.d3 d6 6.♗g5 ♗g4 7.h3
♗xf3 8.♗xf3 h6 9.♗xf6 gxf6 10.♗d5

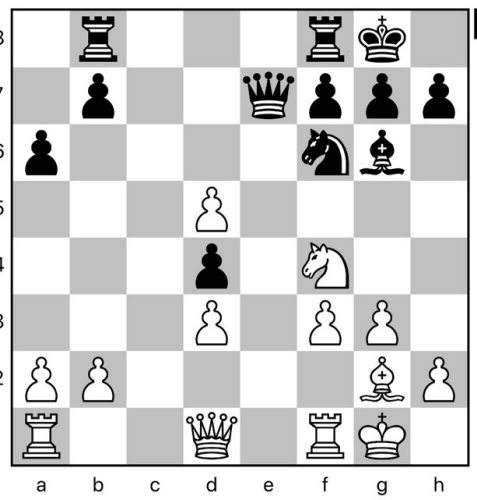


10...♗b4+ 11.c3 ♗a5 12.♗xf6 ♗xf6
13.♗xf6+ ♗e7 14.♗d5+ ♗f8 15.b4
♗b6 16.a4 a6 17.a5 ♗a7 18.♗xc7
♖c8 19.♗d5 ♖g8 20.g3 f5

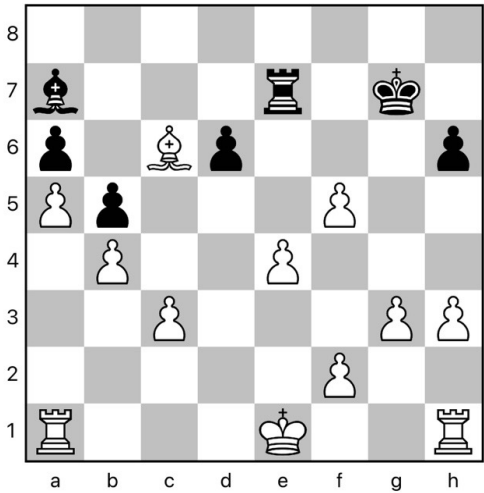




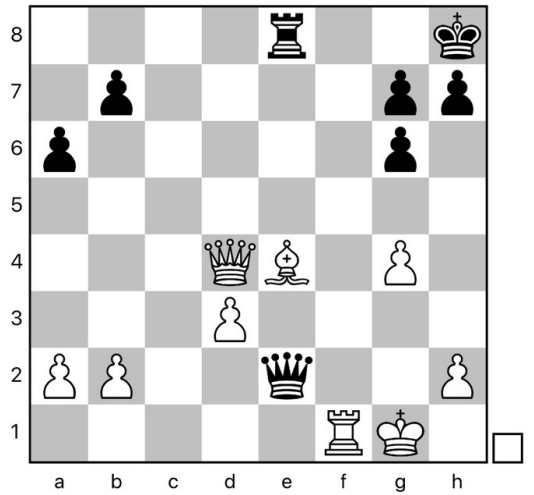
21. exf5 b5 22. ♖b3 ♗f7 23. ♗b6+
 ♗g7 24. ♗xc8 ♜xc8 25. ♖e6 ♜e8
 26. ♖d7 ♜e7 27. ♖xc6 e4 28. dxe4



20... ♗d6 21. ♗xg6 fxg6 22. f4 ♗xd5
 23. ♗b3 ♜f5 24. g4 ♜xf4 25. ♜xf4
 ♗xf4 26. ♗xd5+ ♗h8 27. ♗e4 ♗d2
 28. ♗xd4 ♜f8 29. ♜f1 ♜e8 30. ♖e4
 ♗e2



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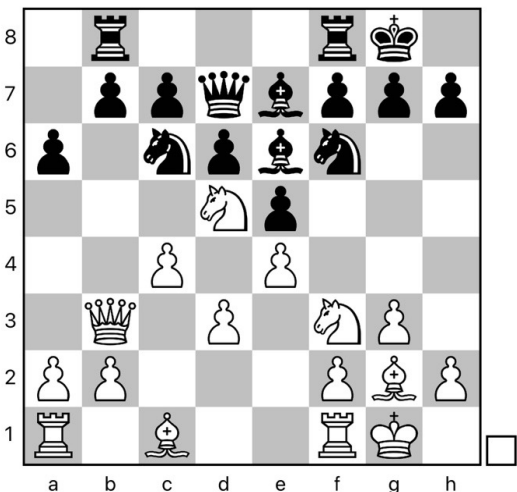
31. h3 g5 32. ♗f2 ♗xf2+ 33. ♜xf2 g6
 34. ♗g2 b5 35. ♜f6 ♜a8 36. ♖xa8

Zhao,Zhiyu - Lem,Lucas 1-0

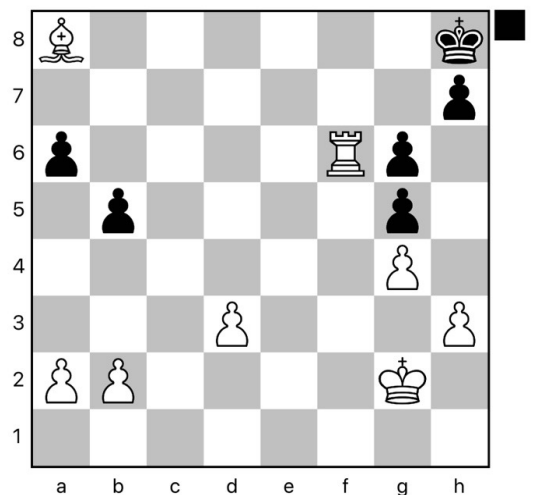
K8 JV,Santa Clara (1),2022.04.09

A20: English Opening

1. c4 e5 2. d3 ♗f6 3. ♗f3 d6 4. g3 ♗c6
 5. ♖g2 ♖e7 6. O-O O-O 7. ♗c3 ♖e6
 8. ♗b3 ♜b8 9. e4 a6 10. ♗d5 ♗d7



11. ♗g5 ♖g4 12. f3 ♗d4 13. ♗d1 ♖h5
 14. ♗xe7+ ♗xe7 15. ♗h3 c6 16. ♖e3
 d5 17. ♖xd4 exd4 18. cxd5 cxd5
 19. ♗f4 ♖g6 20. exd5



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K-5 Begin (Inter)			
Place	Name	Team	Total
1-2	April Ni	GREEN	4.5
	Siddharth Veturi	TJES	4.5
3-4	Mowen Sun	TOWNSB	4
	Andy Saraci-Alonso	COVING	4
5-6	Aaron Sm20 Cheng	MEYERH	3.5
	Anirudh Gutta	STRAT?	3.5

K-5 Rookie			
Place	Name	Team	Total
1-3	Liam Liu	FOX	4.5
	Edward Xiong	HOMESC	4.5
	Mikhail Boldakov	LIETZ	4.5
4-9	Uy Nguyen	NEILA	4
	Rajdarshan Jogdand	WARMS	4
	Alexander Yang	FAIRLAND	4
	Felix Y Chen	QUARRYLANE	4
	Elena Pang	STRAT-PL	4
	Jolyon Jiang	CHALL?	4

K-3 Champ			
Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Srihan Ve Kongara	TJES	5
2-4	Shengjie Fan	STR-PL	4.5
	Tianmu Wang	QUARRY	4.5
	Reyansh Paragiri	PATTERSO	4.5

K-3 JrV			
Place	Name	Team	Total
1-2	Anen Balakrishnan	WEIBEL	4.5
	Claire Sun	DORRIS	4.5
3-6	Anish Nalakonda	STRAT?	4
	Viyana Vijay	FARIA	4
	Aadhity Ravikiran	HARKER	4
	Ivan Tam	HAVENS	4

K-3 Begin (Inter)			
Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Adit Rajaram		5
2-5	Vihaan Deshpande	PERSHING	4
	Viyaan Khurana	STRATF	4
	Ryan Jing		4
	Carlo Feng	HEARST	4

K-3 Rookie			
Place	Name	Team	Total
1-3	Liam Liu	FOX	5
	Justin Chen	DILWORTH	5
	Nikhil Iyer	MSJE	5
4-14	Brian Hii	WALNUTGR	4
	Wangchen Gao	STEVENS	4
	Ayaan Bhaya	STR-DE	4
	Joylin Sc5 Li	DILWORTH	4
	Deren Chai	STR-PL	4
	Nirvaan Goel	OAKKNOLL	4
	Adrian Sm20 Zhu	PINEWOOD	4
	Aashvi Sri Sm20 Rangamreddy		4
	Saahas Kishore	BULLIS	4
	Wesley Liu	WALNUTGR	4
	Bartin Yao	VALLCHR	4

KG Champ			
Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Sreysyth Krishnan	WALNUTGR	5
2-5	Kaden Sun	EATON	4
	Ivan Yi	CHALL-AL	4
	Dhyana Shah	BULLIS	4
	Kevin Qi	OHLONE	4

K-8 Blitz			
Place	Name	Team	Total
1	Arjun Rao	BLUEHILLS	7.5
2	Melissa ^ \$27 Xu		6
3	Anjali ^ \$27 Rao	BLUEHILLS	5.5
4-7	Jenny Qi	OHLONE	5
	Xavier Cruz		5
	Reyansh Dsouza	BLUEHILLS	5
	Shankar Mahadevan		5



Feng,Aaron 1311 - Xu,Melissa 1042

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Champs,2022.04.24

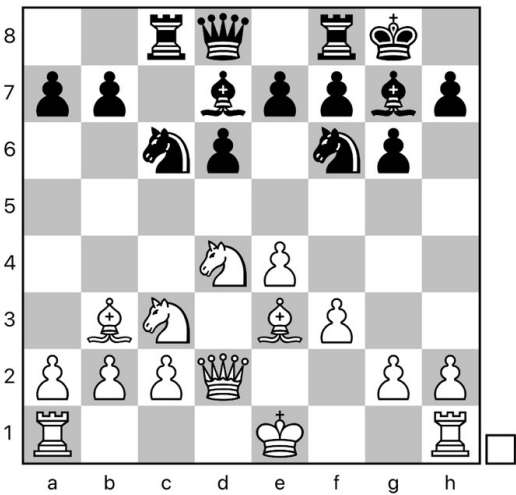
B78: Sicilian,Dragon,Yugoslav Attack (6.Be3)

1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4

♘f6 5.♘c3 g6 6.♙e3 ♙g7 7.♙c4

♘c6 8.f3 ♙d7 9.♙b3 ♖c8 10.♚d2

O-O

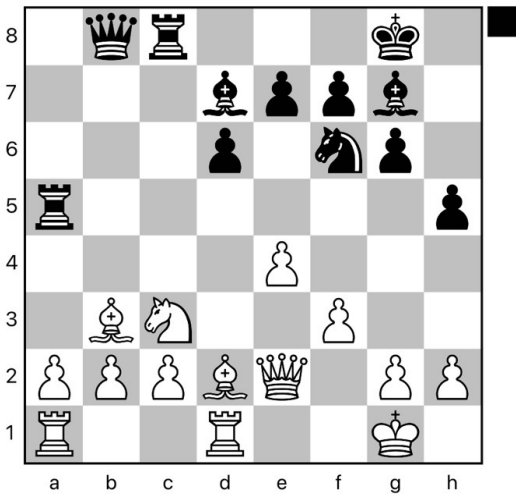


11.O-O ♘xd4 12.♙xd4 ♖e8 13.♙xa7

b6 14.♚e3 ♖a8 15.♙xb6 ♚b8

16.♚f2 ♖a6 17.♙e3 ♖c8 18.♚e2

♖a5 19.♖fd1 h5 20.♙d2



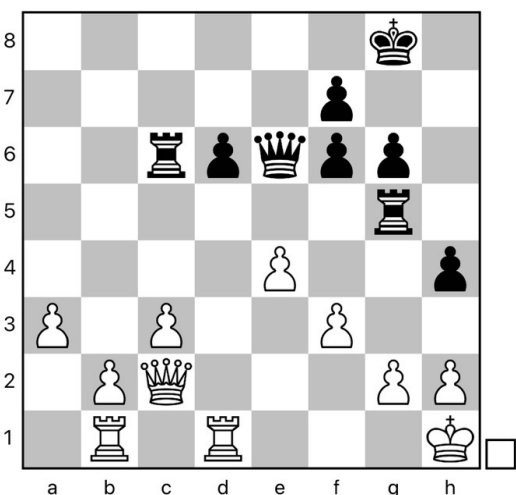
20...♖a8 21.♖ab1 ♖c7 22.a3 ♚c8

23.♙g5 ♖a5 24.♙xf6 ♙xf6 25.♘d5

♖c6 26.♘xf6+ exf6 27.c3 ♙e6

28.♙xe6 ♚xe6 29.♚c2 ♖g5 30.♙h1

h4

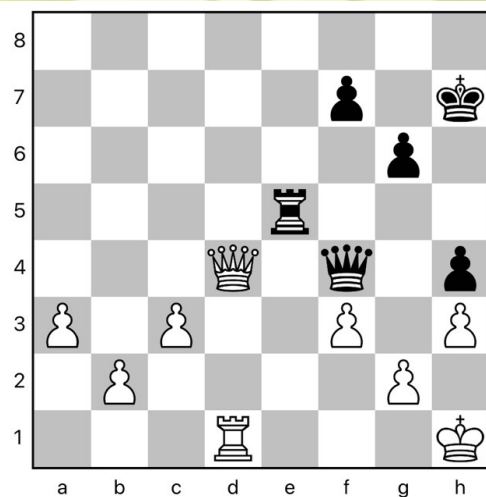


31.h3 ♖h5 32.♚f2 ♖cc5 33.♖e1 f5

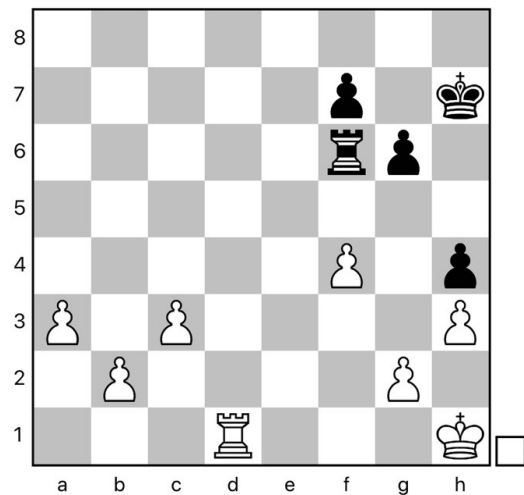
34.exf5 ♚xf5 35.♖bd1 ♚f6 36.♚d4

♖ce5 37.♖xe5 ♖xe5 38.♚xd6 ♚f4

39.♚d8+ ♙h7 40.♚d4



40...♚f6 41.f4 ♖f5 42.♚xf6 ♖xf6



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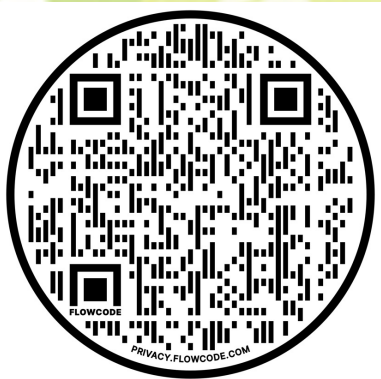
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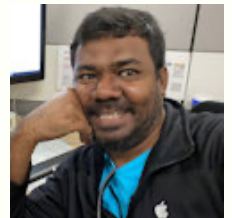
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