

Montana Chess Quick News



and Tournament Notices

Volume 30 Issue 1



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UPCOMING EVENTS

13th Collyer Memorial Spokane	Feb 26-27
Mid-March Madness Missoula	March 19-20
52nd Inland Empire Open Spokane	April 16-17
70th Montana Open Great Falls	April 23-24
Idaho Open Pocatello	April 29-30
Montana Jr. Championship Bozeman	April TBA
12th Northwest Team Missoula	May TBA

CARPENTER WINS AT THAW LASHINSKI TOPS MIDWINTER

Downing and Hongisto at the Midwinter



Westphal scores 522 upset at Midwinter



2005 Grand Prix

- Haluk Beyenal 40.19
- Henry Pallares 30.32
- Eric Hongiso 29.31
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- Dan McCourt 19.79
- Bob Martin 18.19
- Brent Lashinski 12.20
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- Greg Nowak 11.07
- Fred Hoshaw 11.01

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Where the ciphers come from...



SwissSys Standings. Joyce's January Thaw 2005

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1	Romie G. Carpenter	1842	W9	W14	H---	W10	W3	4.5
2	Daniel J. McCourt	1628	W17	W10	W5	D3	D4	4.0
3	Haluk Beyenal	1808	W11	W5	W4	D2	L1	3.5
4	Robert A. Martin	1700	W7	W6	L3	W14	D2	3.5
5	Henry R. Pallares	1643	W13	L3	L2	W15	W10	3.0
6	William H. McBroom	1590	W16	L4	H---	D7	W13	3.0
7	Dustin Thompson	unr.	L4	W13	D14	D6	W11	3.0
8	James J. Skovron	1814	H---	U---	W12	W9	U---	2.5
9	Richard W. Cohen	1505	L1	W17	H---	L8	W14	2.5
10	Eric Hongisto	1778	W12	L2	W11	L1	L5	2.0
11	Robert E. Hayes	1490	L3	W16	L10	W17	L7	2.0
12	Jeffrey A. Jaroski	1269	L10	W15	L8	L13	W17	2.0
13	Melvin P. Drake	1170	L5	L7	W16	W12	L6	2.0
14	Gordon Shuck	1572	W15	L1	D7	L4	L9	1.5
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Mileage bonus: LT 50=1.0; 50-150=1.33; 151-250=1.68; GT 251=2.0

GP=(rds/5) x (11-place) x (avg rating/1500) x mileage bonus



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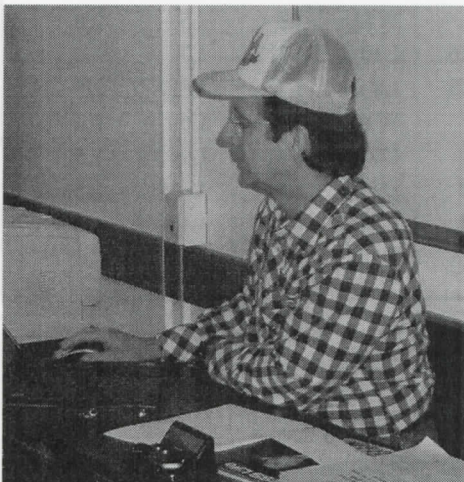
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Steve Scarff charting the Midwinter

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(between rounds 4 and 5 of the Montana Open)

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1	Brent Lashinski	1617	W11	W6	W7	W2	D4	4.5
2	Eric Hongisto	1772	W17	W3	W8	L1	W6	4.0
3	Stephen Fusselman	1526	W14	L2	W13	D4	W7	3.5
4	Haluk Beyenal	1801	L9	W12	W11	D3	D1	3.0
5	Daniel McCourt	1628	W10	L7	D9	D16	W11	3.0
6	Matthew Kauffman	1507	W13	L1	W14	W8	L2	3.0
7	Robert E Hayes	1490	W15	W5	L1	W9	L3	3.0
8	Michael J Long	1600	W12	W9	L2	L6	H---	2.5
9	Ken G Westphal	1279	W4	L8	D5	L7	W10	2.5
10	Melvin P Drake	1181	L5	L14	W15	W12	L9	2.0
11	Mike Shuyler	1114	L1	W15	L4	W13	L5	2.0
12	David L Reinhold	1089	L8	L4	W17	L10	W15	2.0
13	Gavin W Drake	952	L6	W17	L3	L11	W14	2.0
14	James Cadwallader	967	L3	W10	L6	L15	L13	1.0
15	Marco Downing	unr.	L7	L11	L10	W14	L12	1.0
16	Steven R Scarff	1512	U---	U---	U---	D5	U---	0.5
17	Jeffrey Jaroski	1267	L2	L13	L12	U---	U---	0.0

52nd Inland Empire Open

Date:

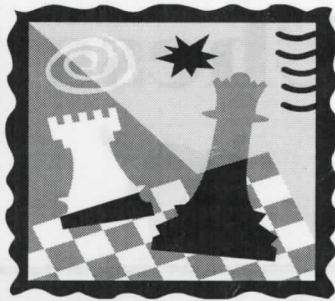
Saturday—Sunday
April 16-17

Site: Rm201, Schoenberg Center,
N. 900 Pearl Street,
Gonzaga University, Spokane, WA
Format: 5 round, Swiss System
Time Control: Game/2
Registration: 8:30-9:30am
Rounds: Sat—10am, 2:30pm, 7pm
Sun—9am, and 1:30(ASAP)
Prizes: \$225, \$175, \$125; exp \$60,
ABCD/E/unr: \$60 and \$30
1 prize/player (excluding upsets)
\$55 Biggest Upset (both non-prov)
class prizes based on min 5/class

\$1000 guaranteed Prize Fund

Entry: \$26 by Apr. 15, \$31 at site
U/18 at \$5 less

Entries and Info: Dave Griffin, P. O.
Box 631, Veradale, WA 99037
Ph...509-928-3260 phone entries OK
dbgriffin@hotmail.com
updates and directions at.....
www.spokanechess.org



Mid-March Madness March 19-20 A Montana Chess Grand Prix Event

Location: Room 203, Rankin Hall, U of Mont campus
Format: 5 Rd SS **Time Control:** G/90 for rds 1&2,
rds 3-5 are G/2

Registration: 9:00-9:30 Sat. **Rounds:** 10:00am, 2pm,
6pm, and Sun at 9:30am, 2:00pm or ASAP

Prizes: (based on 20 paid adult entries): 1st—\$100,
2nd—\$75, 3rd—\$25 U/1800—\$50,
U/1600—\$50, Biggest Upset—\$50 (both must be
non-prov), top Jr—trophy plus entry fee

Entry Fee: \$20 by 2/04/05, \$25 at site....Juniors at 1/2
Entries payable to University-Community Chess Club,
(no phone entries)

Entries and Info: Romie Carpenter, 1903 Clark St.
Missoula, MT 59801 406-542-8064

Misc: No wheel chair access available, MCA membership
required \$12 or OSA, 1/2 point byes available,
no computers

Idaho Open

April 28-29 (Fri-Sat)

Pond Student Union, ISU Campus, Pocatello ID

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Lectures Thurs Apr 28: IMs Ivanov and Donaldson; 6pm and 8pm

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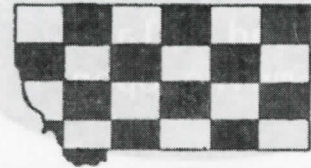
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70th MONTANA OPEN

April 23-24

Great Falls

Townhouse Inn, 1411 10th Ave South

Registration: 8:30-9:30am Player meeting at 9:50

Entry: \$25 by 4/22, \$30 at site, jrs at 1/2

Prizes: \$75-55-40 2 biggest upsets \$25-20

Trophies to Top MT Senior and Top MT Junior

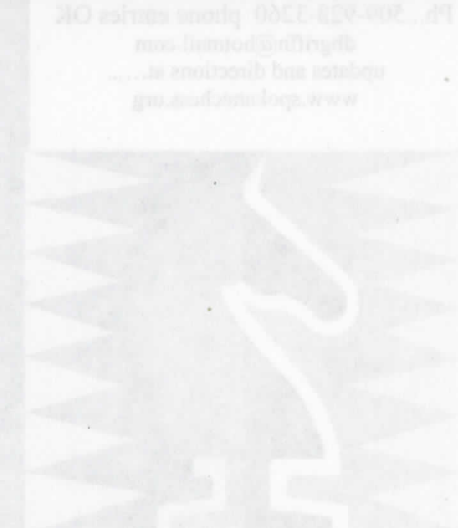
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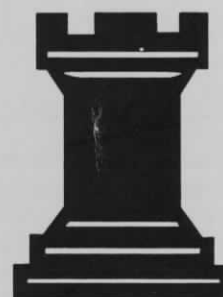
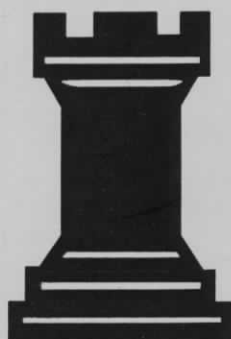


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70th Montana Open



GREAT FALLS
TOWN HOUSE INN



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It's rocket science!...no!, it's alchemy!... No!, it's smoke and mirrors!!
Ok sharks and fishies, it's time for your annual dose of impractical mathematics. Sink your teeth into the **MCA Grand Prix Points Calculator** and give it a good chew. Don't forget to floss when you're done.

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2005-2006 MCA Officers to be elected at Business Meeting

President
Executive Vice-President
Secretary-Treasurer**
Editor**
Eastern Vice-President
Western Vice-President

**Dan McCourt will not be a candidate for any office. Thank you for all the past support!



CARPENTER TOPS 2005 JANUARY THAW

MCCOURT TAKES 2ND PLACE

SwissSys Standings. Joyce's January Thaw 2005

#	Name	Rtng	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Tot	TBrk[M]	TBrk[S]	TBrk[C]	TBrk[O]
1	Romie G. Carpenter	1842	W8	W14	H--	W10	W3	4.5	9.5	9.5	13	34
2	Daniel J. McCourt	1628	W17	W10	W5	D3	D4	4.0	12	12.5	13.5	42
3	Haluk Beyenal	1808	W12	W5	W4	D2	L1	3.5	15	17	13	52.5
4	Robert A. Martin	1700	W6	W7	L3	W14	D2	3.5	13.5	15	11.5	49
5	Henry R. Pallares	1643	W11	L3	L2	W15	W10	3.0	11.5	13	8	42
6	Dustin Thompson	unr.	L4	W11	D14	D7	W12	3.0	10.5	12	7.5	37.5
7	William H. McBroom	1590	W16	L4	H--	D6	W11	3.0	9	9	8	25
8	Richard W. Cohen	1505	L1	W17	H--	L9	W14	2.5	5.5	10	6	29
9	James J. Skovron	1814	H--	U--	W13	W8	U--	2.5	2	4.5	7	11.5
10	Eric Hongisto	1778	W13	L2	W12	L1	L5	2.0	11	15.5	8	46
11	Melvin P. Drake	1170	L5	L6	W16	W13	L7	2.0	8.5	11.5	5	30
12	Robert E. Hayes	1490	L3	W16	L10	W17	L6	2.0	6	9.5	6	31
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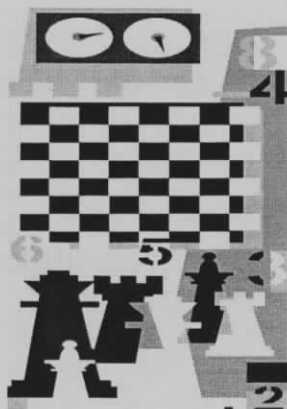


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Romie Carpenter won all four of his OTB contests and added a half point bye to land sole possession of first place at the Helena Thaw, January 29-30. Dan McCourt and Haluk Beyenal slipped to 2nd and 3rd place finishes after leading the pack at the end of the Saturday session. Bob Martin equaled Beyenal's 3.5 score for a share of third place.

A Great Falls newcomer to the weekend Swiss scene, Dustin Thompson, parlayed a 2-1-2 score into an impressive 1590 provisional USCF rating!

The 17 player turnout was a nice comeback from last year's small showing. Organizer Mel Drake found a very pleasant playing site at the Colonial Inn. This year's success should make next year's promotional chores much easier. Once again, a big tip of the MCA hat to Mel!



○ R. CARPENTER 1842
● H. BEYENAL 1808
CATALAN--KINGS INDIAN DEF.
ROUND 5 ♠



Position after 15. Bxf4!?

A key game as each player had 3.5 points

In this Catalan, Black invests material and gets some initiative, but white steadily consolidates his position. Gradually, black is forced to concede the initiative, then space, and finally the point.

1. d4 ♖f6 2. ♗f3 g6 3. c4 ♙g7 4. g3 O-O 5. ♙g2 d6 6. O-O ♙g4 7. h3 ♙xf3 8. ♙x3 c6 9. ♗c3 ♗bd7 10. b3 e5 11. e3 ♗e8 12. ♙b2 f5 13. ♗e2 f4 14. exf4 exf4 15. ♗xf4 ♗xf4 *diagram* 16. gxf4 ♗h4 17. ♙g2 ♗ef6 18. ♗f3 ♗h5 19. ♗g4 ♗e7 20. ♗ae1 ♗f7 21. ♗e6 ♗xf4 22. ♗xf7+ ♙xf7 23. ♗e4 ♗xg2 24. ♙xg2 ♗f6 25. ♗e2 ♗h5 26. f4 ♙h6 27. ♙c1 a5 28. ♙d2 a4 29. b4 ♙g7 30. f5 ♙xd4 31. fxxg6+ ♙g8 32. gxxh7+ ♙h8 33. ♗f7 ♙e5 34. ♗xb7 ♗f8 35. ♗f2 ♗f6 36. ♗xf6 ♗xf6 37. ♗a7 ♗34 38. ♙c1 d5 39. cxxd5 cxxd5 40. ♗xa4 d4 41. ♗a5 ♙f6 42. ♗d5 ♙xh7 43. ♙f1 ♗g5 44. h4 ♗h3 45. b5 ♗f4 46. ♗f5
Black resigns

□ D. McCourt , 1628
 ■ K. Westphal, 1279
 Midwinter Open 2005 Philador

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 exd4
 4.Qxd4 Nc6 5.Bb5 Bd7 6.Bxc6
 Bxc6 7.Nc3 Nf6 8.Bg5 Be7
 9.0-0-0 0-0 10.h3 Re8 11.Kb1
 h6 12.Be3 Bf8 13.Nd2 Qd7
 14.g4 a6 15.Bxh6 Diagram



White wins a pawn but Black has all the fun. gxh6 16.Qxf6 Re6 17.Qf3 Bg7 18.Nd5 Rae8 19.Qg2 Bxd5 20.exd5 Qb5 21.Nb3 Re2 22.Rc1 a5 23.Rhd1 Qb6 24.Qg3 Black has the upper hand and wins a piece. White's only friend is the clock and he escapes with a draw.
 ½-½

□ B. Hayes, 1490
 ■ D. McCourt, 1628
 Midwinter Rd 2 Accelerated Mouse Attack

1.d3 d5 2.h3 e5 3.a3 c6 4.Nd2 Ne7 5.g3 Be6 6.Bg2 Nd7 7.Nb3 Ng6 8.h4 Bd6 9.c3 Nf6 10.Bg5 Qc7 11.e3 Nd7 12.h5 Ngf8 13.h6 g6 14.e4 f6 15.Be3 b6 16.Bh3 Rb8 17.g4 g5 18.Bg2 Ng6 19.Nc1 Ke7 20.f3 Rhd8 21.Bd2 dxe4 22.fxe4 c5 23.Nf3? Qc6? 24.Ng1 Nf4 25.Qf3 Bc7 26.Nh3 Nf8 27.Bf1 N8g6 28.Be2 Nh4 29.Qg3 Nxe2

30.Kxe2 Ng6 31.Rg1 Nf4+ 32.Kf1 Qe8 Diagram



Score sheets end here. Black pounds away at d3 while White figures out a way to queen the pawn on h6 and wins the game 1-0

□ J. Lendell, UNR
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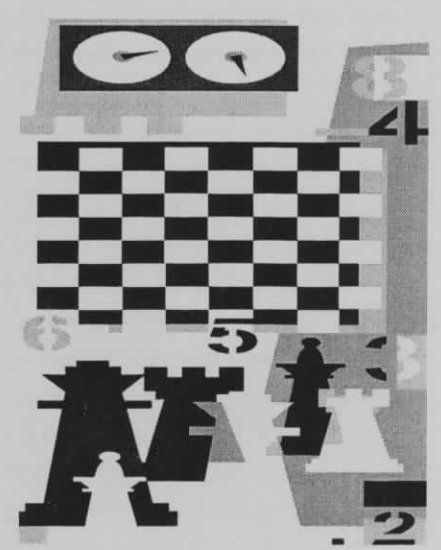
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MIDWINTER PAYDAY GOES TO LASHINSKY
 HONGISTO TAKES 2ND PLACE

Brent Lashinsky's first USCF rated chess tournament in a year's time came off quite well—for Brent—less so for his opponents. No rusty places in Brent's repertoire as he cruised to 4 wins and pulled off an improbable draw in a last round rook and pawn ending.

Eric Hongisto took 2nd place winning four times and losing only to Lashinski. Stephen Fusselman finished just behind Hongisto with a 3.5 score and won the best U/1600 prize. Juniors Mike Shuyler and Gavin Drake shared the U/1200 prize with old-timers, Mel Drake and Dave Reinhold. Another junior, Ken Westphal, snagged the tournament's biggest upset with a first-round defeat of top-rated Haluk Beyenal. Gavin Drake and Jim Cadwallader also scored notable upsets.

Thanks to all who traveled in the dark morning hours and hazarded the seasonably unpleasant road conditions. And thanks, again, to Steve Scarff for organizing another fine Midwinter Open.



Meeting Information
Wednesday at 7:30pm
 SUB Cafeteria
 Bring your board and your
 brain, and get ready to play!!!

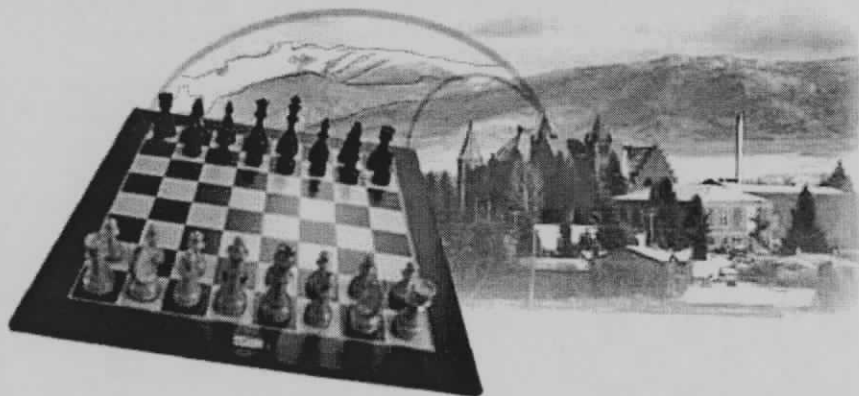


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Midwinter Rd 5 Sicilian

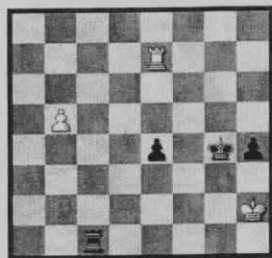
B. Lashinsky, 1617

H. Beyenal, 1801

Result 1/2-1/2



1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 d6 3 f4 Nf6 4.Nf3 Bg4
 5.h3 Bd7 6.d4 cxd4 7.Nxd4 e5 8.fxe5
 dxe5 9.Nf3 Bb4 10.Qd3 Bxc3+
 11.Qxc3 O-O 12.Bg5 Nxe4 13.Qxe5
 Nxc5 14.Qxg5 Re8+ 15.Kf2 Qb6+
 16.Kg3 Nc6 17.Bd3 h6 18.Qf4 Ne7
 19.Rae1 Nd5 20.Qd4 Qc7+ 21.Kf2
 Be6 22.Qe5 Qb6+ 23.Qd4 Qc7 24.Qe5
 Rac8 25.Qxc7 Rxc7 26.Nd4 Nf4
 27.Bb5 Rd8 28. Re4 \$2 g5 29.c3 Bd5
 30.Re8+ Rxe8 31.Bxe8 Re7 32.Bb5
 Bxg2 33.Rd1 Bxh3 34.Bc4 Bg4
 35.Rd2 h5 36.Nb5 a6 37.Nd6 Be6
 38.Bxe6 fxe6 39.Ne4 g4 40.Kg3 e5
 41. c4 Kg7 42.b4 Kg6 43.a4 Kf5
 44.Nd6+ Ke6 45.c5 Nd5 46.b5 axb5
 47.axb5 Rc7 48.Ne4 Nf6 49.Rd6+ Kf5
 50.Nxf6 Rxc5 51.Rb6 Rc3+ 52.Kg2 h4
 53.Nd5 Rc2+ 54.Kg1 Ke4 55.Nf6+
 Kf3 56.Nxg4 Rc1+ 57.Kh2 Kxg4
 58.Rxb7 e4 59.Re7



{Game/45 time pressure helps white
 escape with a draw—but only after a
 lot more unrecorded moves}

Midwinter Upsets by Round

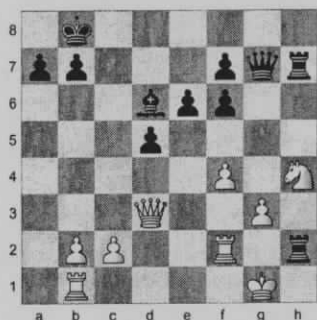
- Rd 1....Westphal (1279) over Beyenal (1801) 522 points*
Rd 2....G. Drake (952) over Jaroski (1267) 315 points
Cadwallader (967) over M. Drake (1181) 214 points
Hayes (1490) over McCourt (1628) 138 points
Rd 3....Westphal (1279) ½-½ McCourt (1628) 175 points
Reinhold (1089) over Jaroski (1267) 178 points
Rd 4....Lashinski (1617) over Hongisto (1772) 155 points
Fusselman (1526) ½-½ Beyenal (1801) 137 points

Midwinter Standings

#	Name	Rtng	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Tot
1	Brent Lashinsky	1617	W11	W6	W7	W2	D4	4.5
2	Eric Hongisto	1772	W17	W3	W8	L1	W6	4.0
3	Stephen Fusselman	1526	W14	L2	W13	D4	W7	3.5
4	Haluk Beyenal	1801	L9	W12	W11	D3	D1	3.0
5	Daniel McCourt	1628	W10	L7	D9	D16	W11	3.0
6	Matthew Kauffman	1507	W13	L1	W14	W8	L2	3.0
7	Robert E Hayes	1490	W15	W5	L1	W9	L3	3.0
8	Michael J Long	1600	W12	W9	L2	L6	H---	2.5
9	Ken G Westphal	1279	W4	L8	D5	L7	W10	2.5
10	Melvin P Drake	1181	L5	L14	W15	W12	L9	2.0
11	Mike Shuyler	1114	L1	W15	L4	W13	L5	2.0
12	David L Reinhold	1089	L8	L4	W17	L10	W15	2.0
13	Gavin W Drake	952	L6	W17	L3	L11	W14	2.0
14	James Cadwallader	967	L3	W10	L6	L15	L13	1.0
15	Marco Downing	unr.	L7	L11	L10	W14	L12	1.0
16	Steven R Scarff	1512	U---	U---	U---	D5	U---	0.5
17	Jeffrey Jaroski	1267	L2	L13	L12	U---	U---	0.0

□ T. Wacker, 1201 (Q)
 ■ B. McBroom, 1686 (Q)
 BDT game/20 Caro-Kann

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 Qxd5 4.Nc3 Qa5 5.Nf3 Nf6 6.Bd3 Bg4 7.0-0 e6 8.Bd2 Qc7 9.Ne4 Nbd7 10.Nxf6+ Nxf6 11.Be2 Bd6 12.Ne5 Bxe2 13.Qxe2 0-0-0 14.Bg5 h6 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.Nf3 Rhg8 17.Rad1 Rg7 18.Qd2 Rdg8 19.g3 h5 20.Qh6 Qa5 21.d5 cxd5 22.Qxh5 Qxa2 23.Rb1 Qc4 24.Ne1 Qe4 25.Qd1 Rh8 26.Qf3 Qg6 27.Ng2 Rh3 28.Qc3+ Kb8 29.f4 Rgh7 30.Qd3 Qg7 31.Rf2 Rxh2 32.Nh4 Diagram



R7xh4 33.Rxh2 Rxh2 34.Kxh2 Qh6+ 35.Kg2 Qg7 36.Rh1 Bxf4 37.Rh7 Qg4 38.Rh8+ Kc7 39.Qc3+ Kd6 40.Qb4+ Ke5 41.Qxf4+ Qxf4 42.gxf4+ Kxf4 43.Rf8 white goes on to win 0-1

□ Dave Rheinhold (1062)
 ■ Don Gisselbeck (1308)
 1st. Winter Open Queen Pawn

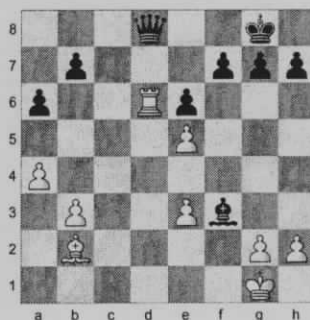
1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nc3 Nc6 4.Bf4 Bg4 5.e3 e6 6.Be2 Bd6 7.Ne5 Bxe2 8.Qxe2 Bxe5 9.dxe5 Nd7 10.Qg4 g6 11.Qg3 Rg8 12.Bg5 Qc8 13.Bf4 Qd8 14.Bg5 Ne7 15.0-0-0 Nf5 16.Bxd8 Nxc3 17.hxc3 Kxd8 18.Rxh7 Nxe5 19.f4 Ng4 20.e4 Ke7 21.exd5 Ne3 22.Re1 Kf6?? 23.Rxe3 Black resigns 1-0

□ D. McCourt (1608)
 ■ R. Carpenter (1842)
 Bird's Open Pirc Defense

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.Be3 c6 5.f3 b5 6.Qd2 Nbd7 7.Nh3 Qc7 8.g4 Nb6 9.b3 a6 10.Qf2 Bg7 11.Ne2 Bb7 12.Bg2 Rc8 13.0-0 0-0 14.Nef4 Nfd7 15.Qh4 c5 16.Ng5 h6 17.Nge6 g5 18.Nxg5 hxg5 19.Qxg5 cxd4 20.Nh5 1-0

□ R. Carpenter (1842)
 ■ D. McCourt (1608)
 2nd Winter Queen's Gambit Accepted

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.c4 dxc4 4.e3 e6 5.Bxc4 c5 6.0-0 a6 7.Be2 Bd7 8.a4 Nc6 9.b3 cxd4 10.exd4 Be7 11.Bb2 Nd5 12.Ne5 Nxe5 13.dxe5 Bc6 14.Bf3 0-0 15.Nd2 Qc7 16.Rc1 Rfd8 17.Ne4? Ne3 18.fxe3 Rxd1 19.Rfxd1 Rd8 20.Rxd8+ Qxd8 21.Nd6 Bxd6 22.Rd1 Bxf3 23.Rxd6? Diagram



Qc8?? Both players have overlooked the decisive 23...Qg4! 24.gxf3 h6 25.Rb6 g5 26.Bd4 Kg7 27.Kg2 1/2-1/2

□ B. McBroom (1590)
 ■ J. Jaroski (1296)
 1st Winter Open Torre Attack

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bg5 h6 4.Bh4 Nf6 5.e3 Bg4 6.h3 Bxf3 7.Qxf3 Qd6 8.c3 g5 9.Bg3 e5 10.Bb5 0-0-0 11.Bxc6 Qxc6 12.Bxe5 Be7 13.Nd2 Rhg8 14.0-0-0 Rdf8 15.Bxf6 Bxf6 16.Qf5+ Qe6 17.Qc2 Be7 18.Rde1 f5 19.c4 dxc4 20.Nxc4 b5 21.Ne5 Qxa2 22.Qc6 Qa1+ 23.Kc2 Qa4+ 24.Kb1 Kb8 25.Rc1 Qa5 26.Qd7 Kb7 27.Nc6 Qa6 28.Nxe7 Qd6 29.Qxb5+ Ka8 30.Nxg8 Rb8 31.Qc6+ Qxc6 32.Rxc6 Rxc6 33.Rxc7 Kb8 34.Rhc1 a5 35.Rf7 a4 36.Rcc7 g4 37.h4 h5 38.d5 Re8 39.Rfe7 Rd8 40.Rcd7 Kc8 41.Rxd8+ Kxd8 42.d6 Kc8 43.g3 Kd8 44.Ka2 1-0

□ S. Moore (1660)
 ■ B. McBroom (1590)
 Bird's Open Caro-Kann

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 Qxd5 4.c4 Qa5+ 5.Nc3 Nf6 6.Bd2 Qc7 7.Nf3 e6 8.Bd3 Be7 9.0-0 0-0 10.Qc2 Nbd7 11.Bg5 Re8 12.Rfe1 b6 13.d5 cxd5 14.cxd5 Nf8 15.Rac1 Qd6 16.Nb5 Qc5 17.Qxc5 bxc5 18.Nc7 Bb7 19.Nxa8

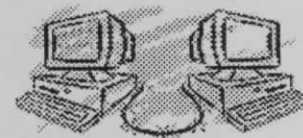
Bxa8 20.dxe6 Nxe6 21.Bxf6 Bxf6 22.Rxc5 Bxf3 23.gxf3 Kf8 24.Rc4 Rb8 25.b3 Nd4 26.Kg2 g6 27.Rc7 Ne6 28.Rxe6 fxe6 29.Rxa7 Rd8 30.Bc4 Rd2 31.Bxe6 Bd4 32.Rxh7 Rxf2+ 33.Kg3 Rxa2 34.Kf4 Bg1 35.h3 Bh2+ 36.Ke3 g5 37.Kd3 Bf4 38.Kc4 Rc2+ 39.Kb5 Be3 40.Bc4 Rf2 41.Bd5 Rc2 42.Be4 Rc5+ 43.Ka6 Rc3 44.Rb7 Rc1 45.Rb4 Ke7 46.Ra4 Kd6 47.b4 Rc7 48.Bb7 Rh7 49.b5 Rxh3 50.b6 Rh8 51.Be4 Kc5 1/2-1/2

□ S. Moore (1660)
 ■ D. McCourt (1608)
 Bird's Open French (Steinitz)

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5.f4 c5 6.Nf3 Nc6 7.Be3 a6 8.Be2 cxd4 9.Nxd4 Qc7 10.0-0 Be7 11.a3 Nb6 12.b3 Bd7 13.Qd2 Rc8 14.Rfc1 0-0 15.Bd3 Nxd4 16.Bxd4 Bc5 17.Ne2 Na8 18.Qe3 Qb6 19.Rf1 Bb5 20.c4 dxc4 21.bxc4 Bxd4 22.Nxd4 Bxc4 23.Rab1 Qa7 24.Rf3 Bxd3 25.Qxd3 Rfd8 26.Rd1 Rd5 27.Qd2 Rdd8 28.Rd3 Qb6 29.Qf2 Nc7 30.R3d2 Qc5 31.Rc2 Qb6 32.Rcd2 Nb5 33.Nf3 Qxf2+ 34.Kxf2 Rxd2+ 35.Rxd2 Nxa3 After the rooks come off the board, White gets a pawn back and both sides drift into time trouble. Draw agreed 1/2-1/2

□ R. Carpenter (1842)
 ■ D. McCourt (1608)
 1st Winter Dutch Stonewall

1.d4 e6 2.Nf3 f5 3.c4 d5 4.g3 c6 5.Bg2 Nf6 6.0-0 Be7 7.Nc3 0-0 8.Ne5 Nbd7 9.Nd3 Qe8 10.Nf4 Bd6 11.c5 Bc7 12.Qc2 e5 13.dxe5 Nxe5 14.b3 Qe7 15.Na4 Bd7 16.Bb2 Rac8 17.e3 Nf7 18.Ne2 Ng5 19.Nd4 Nge4 20.Rac1 Qf7 21.b4 Qh5 22.Qe2 Qh6 23.b5 Ng4 24.h3 Ngxf2 25.bxc6 bxc6 26.Rxf2 Nxf2 27.Kxf2 Bxg3+ 28.Kf3 f4 0-1



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Martin wins Mid-March Madness



Bob

Martin's 3-0-2 success earned him a 1st place payday at Missoula's Mid-March Madness tournament, March 19-20. Dan McCourt kept pace with Martin playing four of the same opponents but giving up a draw to one whom Bob had defeated. Jared Schantz's last round win pulled him even with McCourt for a share of 2nd place and earning the tournament's prize for top U/1600 score. Jared enjoyed that rare chess pleasure of a double success in one's first weekend Swiss!

There were several notable upsets. John Hay's 4th round winning margin of 466 points nailed the top prize. Scott Young lead the race early with a 280 point spread in a 1st round win. Schantz's 1st round draw with a much higher rated opponent didn't rate a prize but did serve early notice of his chess presence.

Turnout was smaller than expected when the planning began but a number of unusual factors came into play. Never-the-less, TD Romie Carpenter was able maintain the prize fund at pre-tourney goals.

Thanks and tip of the UCCC hat to Romie for directing and to all who participated!.



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#	Name	SwissSys Standings.	Mid-March Madness					TD: Romie Carpenter	
		Rtng	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Tot	TBrk
1	Bob Martin	1752	W9	D2	W5	W6	D4	4.0	12
2	Dan McCourt	1628	W7	D1	W6	D4	D5	3.5	12.5
3	Jarred Schantz	1316	D8	L4	W10	W9	W7	3.5	8
4	Bill McBroom	1598	D5	W3	H---	D2	D1	3.0	14
5	Mike Jensen	1872	D4	W8	L1	W7	D2	3.0	12.5
6	Scott Young	1422	W11	W10	L2	L1	D8	2.5	8
7	John Hay	1255	L2	B---	W8	L5	L3	2.0	8.5
8	Dave Shughart	1701	D3	L5	L7	W10	D6	2.0	7.5
9	Bob Hayes	1490	L1	L11	B---	L3	W10	2.0	6.5
10	Bill Spencer	800	B---	L6	L3	L8	L9	1.0	6
11	Ron Erickson	1710	L6	W9	U---	U---	U---	1.0	1.5

Upsets by Round

Rd 1....Young (1422) over Erickson (1710) 288 points

McBroom (1598) 1/2-1/2 Jensen (1872) 137 points

Schantz (1316) 1/2-1/2 Shughart (1701) 193 points

Rd 3....Hay (1255) over Shughart (1701) 446 points

Martin (1752) over Jensen (1872) 120 points

Rd 4....Schantz (1316) over Hayes (1490) 174 points

Rd 5....Mccourt (1628) 1/2-1/2 Jensen (1872) 122 points

Young (1422) 1/2-1/2 Shughart (1701) 140 points

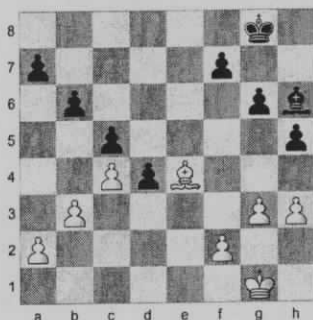
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M. Jensen (1872) D. McCourt (1608) French Defense

1.e4 e6 2.Nf3 d5 3.Nc3 c5? 4.exd5! exd5 5.d4! Nf6 6.Bg5 Nc6
7.dxc5 Be7? 8.Be2 Bf5 9.a3 d4 10.Nb5 Bxc5 11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.c3??
d3 13.Nfd4 Bxd4 14.Nxd4 Nxd4 15.Bxd3 Bxd3 16.Qxd3 Qe7+
17.Kf1 Ne6 18.Re1 Kf8 19.Qe3 h5 20.h4 Qd6 21.Rh3 Rd8 22.Qxa7
Nf4 23.Rhe3 Qc6 24.f3 Rg8 25.Qa5 Qc4+ 26.Kg1 Rxd2+ 27.Kh1
Rdd2 28.Qa8+ Kg7 29.Rg1 Kh7 30.Rxd2 Qf1+ 31.Rg1 Qh3-mate

□ Dan McCourt , 1628
 ■ Bob Martin , 1752
 Round 2 King's Indian Attack

1.e4 e6 2.d3 d5 3.Nd2 Nf6 4.Ngf3
 Be7 5.g3 c5 6.Bg2 Nc6 7.0-0
 0-0 8.Re1 dxe4 9.dxe4 e5 10.c3
 Qc7 11.Qc2 h6 12.Nf1 Be6 13.h3
 Rad8 14.Be3 Qc8 15.Kh2 Bc4
 (with an eye on the pawn at e4)
 16.Rad1 Rxd1 17.Rxd1 Rd8 18.b3
 Rxd1 19.Qxd1 Bxf1 20.Bxf1 Nxe4
 21.Qc2 Nf6 22.Bd3 Qe6 23.Bf5
 Qd5 24.Nd2 b6 25.c4 Qd8 26.Nf3
 Nd4 27.Bxd4 exd4 28.Kg2 Qa8
 29.Qe2 Qb7 30.Kg1 Bd6 31.Nd2
 Qc7 32.Qf3 Bf8 33.Qd3 Qe7
 34.Qf1 g6 35.Bc2 h5 36.Qd3 Bh6
 37.Ne4 Nxe4 38.Qxe4 Qxe4
 39.Bxe4 Diagram

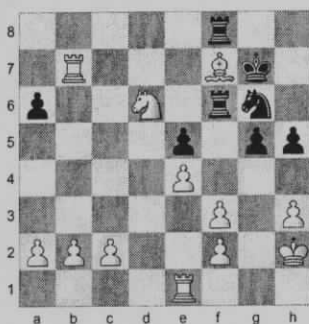


A classic Bishops of opposite colors ending. f5 40.Bd3 Bd2 41.g4 fxe4 42.Bxe4 gxe4 43.Kh2 Here the game score becomes muddled. But a draw was agreed at move 52.
 1/2-1/2

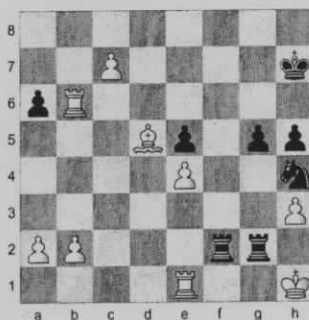
□ Dave Shughart , 1701
 ■ John Hay , 1255
 Mid-March Madness Rd 3 Sicilian

This game won the "Biggest Upset" prize.
 (notes by Romie Carpenter) 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 e5 5.Nf3 Be7 6.Bc4 Nf6 7.Nc3 0-0 8.0-0 a6 9.Bg5 d6 10.Re1 Bg4 11.h3 Bh5 12.Bxf6 Bxf3?? This drops a piece. 13.Bxe7 Qc7 14.Qxd6 Qxe7 15.Qxe7 Nxe7 16.gxf3 g5 17.Nd5 Ng6 18.Kg2 Rac8 19.Bb3 Rc6 20.Rad1 Kg7 21.Ne3 h5 22.Nf5+ Kh7 23.Rd7 Nf4+ 24.Kh2 Rf6 25.Nd6 Kg7

26.Rxb7 Ng6 27.Bxf7?? Diagram



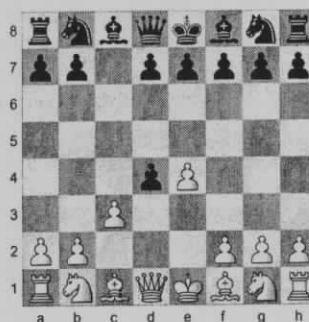
And this graciously returns it. Rxd6 28.Bd5+ Kh6 29.c4 Rxf3 30.c5 Rxf2+ 31.Kg1 Rdf6 32.c6 Nh4 33.c7 Rg2+ 34.Kh1 Rff2 35.Rb6+ Kh7 Diagram



If 37.c1=Q Rh2 38.Kg1 Nf3++ 0-1

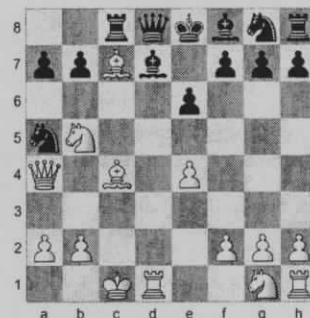
□ Dave Shughart, 1701
 ■ Scott Young, 1422
 Mid-March Madness Rd 5 Banzai attack

1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.c3 Diagram



The "dreaded" Smith-Morra Gambit lives. dxc3 4.Bc4 Well, would you believe the dreaded "Banzai" (Dave's moniker) lives? Qc7 5.Qb3 e6

6.Nxc3 Nc6 7.Nb5 Qd8 8.Bf4 d6 9.0-0-0 Na5 10.Qa4 Bd7 11.Bxd6 Rc8 12.Bc7 Diagram



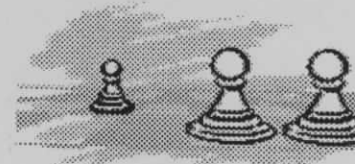
Rxc7 [12...Qg5+ Looks interesting] 13.Nxc7+ Qxc7 14.Rxd7 Qxd7 15.Qxa5 Qc6 16.Qb5 Ne7 17.Nf3 a6 18.Qxc6+ Nxc6 19.Rd1 Bc5 20.Rd2 1/2-1/2

□ Jarred Schantz, 1316
 ■ John Hay, 1255
 Mid-March Madness Rd 5 Sicilian

1.e4 c5 2.c3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.cxd4 e6 5.Nc3 Nge7 6.Nf3 d6 7.Bb5 a6 8.Ba4 b5 9.Bb3 Bb7 10.0-0 Qc7 11.Bf4 Ng6 12.Bg3 Be7 13.Rc1 Rc8 14.d5 Nd8 15.dxe6 fxe6 16.Qd2 Qd7 17.Rfd1 0-0 18.Bxd6 Rxf3? Diagram



19.gxf3 Nh4 20.Qf4 Qe8 21.Bxe7 Qxe7 22.Rd6 Rc5 23.Kf1 Ng6 24.Qd2 Rc8 25.Rd1 Ne5 26.Rxd8+ Kf7 27.Qf4+ 1-0

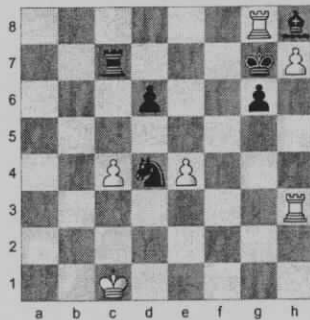


□ Bob Martin, 1752
 ■ Mike Jensen, 1872
 M-M Madness Rd 3 English

This was one of the more interesting games of the tournament. 1.Nf3 c5 2.c4 Nc6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7 5.Nc3 e5 6.d3 Nge7 7.Ne4 d6 8.Bg5 0-0 9.Nf6+ Kh8 10.Qd2 Nf5 11.Nxh7 f6 12.Nxf8 Qxf8 13.h4!? Diagram



fxg5 14.hxg5+ Kg8 15.Nh4 Qf7 16.0-0-0 Be6 17.Be4 Ncd4 18.e3 Nxh4 19.gxh4 Nf5 20.Rh2 Rb8 21.Rdh1 b5 22.b3 Ne7 23.h5 Bf5 24.h6 Bh8 25.h7+ Kf8 26.Bg2 Qg7 27.e4 Be6 28.Qe2 Nc6 29.Bh3 Nd4 30.Qe3 Bxh3 31.Rxh3 bxc4 32.dxc4 a5 33.f4 exf4 34.Qxf4+ Ke7 35.Qf6+ Qxf6 36.gxf6+ Kxf6 37.Kd2 a4 38.Rf1+ Kg7 39.Rb1 axb3 40.axb3 Ra8 41.b4 Ra2+ 42.Kd1 cxb4 43.Rxb4 Ra1+ 44.Kd2 Ra2+ 45.Kc1 Ra7 46.Rb8 Rc7 47.Rg8+ Diagram

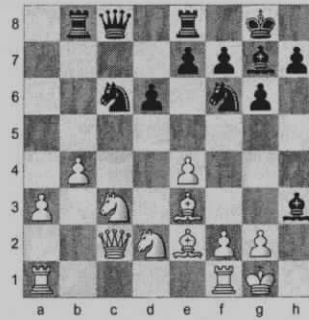


Kf6 48.Rxh8+- Rxc4+ 49.Kb1 Rb4+ 50.Ka2 Ra4+ 51.Kb2 Rb4+ 52.Ka3 Nc2+ 53.Ka2 Ra4+ 54.Kb2 Nb4 55.Rb8 Black resigns 1-0

□ G. Shuck, 1572
 ■ D. Thompson, unr
 Thaw Rd 4 King's Indian Def.

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.Nf3 0-0 5.e4 d6 6.Be2 c5 7.0-0 cxd4

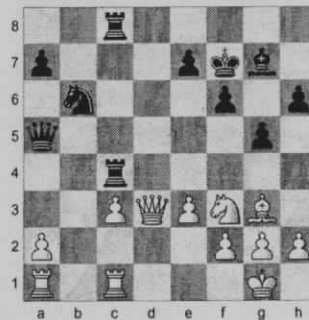
8.Nxd4 a6 9.h3 Bd7 10.Be3 Re8 11.Qd2 Nc6 12.Nf3 Rb8 13.a3 Na5 14.Qc2 b5 15.cxb5 axb5 16.Nd2 Qc7 17.b4 Nc6? 18.Nxb5 Qc8 19.Nc3 Bxh3?! Diagram



20.gxh3 Qxh3 21.Bf3 Ng4 22.Bf4 Be5 23.Bg2 Qh4 24.Nf3 Qh5 25.Bxe5 Ncxe5 26.Rfd1 Nxf3+ 27.Bxf3 Rec8 28.Bxg4 Qxg4+ 29.Kf1 Qh3+ 30.Ke1 Rxc3 draw agreed 1/2-1/2

□ D. Thompson, unr
 ■ B. McBroom, 1590
 Thaw Rd 4 Slav Defense

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Nbd7 5.Nf3 dxc4 6.e3 b5 7.d5 b4 8.dxc6 bxc3 9.cxd7+ Nxd7 10.bxc3 Qa5 11.Qd4 Ba6 12.Bxc4 Bxc4 13.Qxc4 h6 14.Bf4 g5 15.Be5 f6 16.Bg3 Nb6 17.Qc6+ Kf7 18.0-0 Rc8 19.Qe4 Bg7 20.Rfc1 Rc4 21.Qd3 Rhc8 Diagram

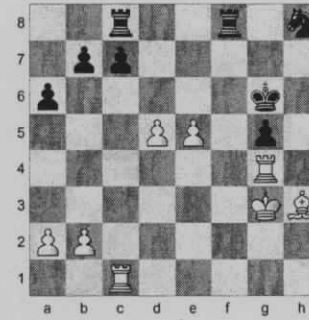


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□ B. Martin, 1700
 ■ G. Shuck, 1572
 Thaw Rd 4 English

1.Nf3 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.Qa4+ Nc6 4.Qxc4 Nf6 5.g3 e6 6.Bg2 Be7 7.0-0 0-0 8.Nc3 Bd7 9.d4 Bd6 10.e4 e5 11.d5 Ne7 12.Bg5 Ng6 13.Nb5 Bxb5

14.Qxb5 Rb8 15.Qd3 h6 16.Be3 a6 17.h4 Ng4 18.h5 Nxe3 19.Qxe3 Nh8 20.Bh3 Re8 21.Nh4 Be7 22.Nf5 Bg5 23.f4 exf4 24.gxf4 Bh4 25.Kh2 Kh7 26.Rg1 g6 27.Nxh4 Qxh4 28.hxg6+ fxg6 29.Rg4 Qh5 30.Qd3 Rf8 31.Kg3 g5 32.fxg5 hxg5 33.e5+ Qg6 34.Qxg6+ Kxg6 35.Rc1 Rbc8? Diagram



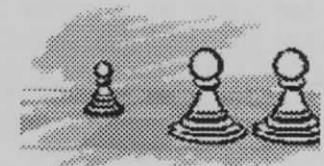
36.Rd4 c5 37.Rdc4 Rce8 38.e6 b6 39.d6 White gains the point 1-0

□ R. Cohen, 1505
 ■ R. Carpenter, 1842
 Thaw Rd 1 Pirc Defense

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Qd3 g6 4.Nf3 Bg7 5.c3 0-0 6.Be2 Na6 7.0-0 c5 8.a3 Rb8 9.b4 b5 10.Nbd2 Qc7 11.Bb2 Nh5 12.g3 f5 13.Qb1 fxe4 14.Nxe4 c4 15.Qd1 Qd7 16.Nfg5 Nf6 17.Nxf6+ Bxf6 18.Qd2 Nc7 19.d5 Diagram



Bb7 20.Qe3 Bxd5 21.f4 Bxg5 22.fxg5 Qe6 23.Qd2 Qe4 24.Rf4 Qg2# 0-1

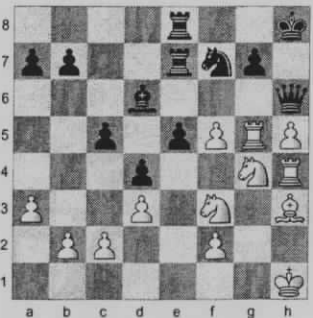


□ B. McBroom, 1590
 ■ B. Martin, 1700
 Thaw Rd2 King's Indian Attack

1.e4 e6 2.d3 d5 3.Nd2 Nf6 4.Ngf3 c5
 5.g3 Be7 6.Bg2 0-0 7.0-0 Nc6 8.Re1
 Qc7 9.Nf1 d4 10.h4 e5 11.N1h2 Be6
 12.Bg5 h6 13.Bxf6 Bxf6 14.Nd2 Qd7
 15.a3 Be7 16.Qh5 f5 17.Ndf3 Rf6
 18.g4? Diagram



Bf7 19.Qxf7+ Rxf7 20.exf5 Bd6
 21.Re4 Re8 22.Rae1 Kh8 23.h5 Qd8
 24.Bh3 Qf6 25.Kh1 Rfe7 26.Rg1 Nd8
 27.g5 hxg5 28.Rxg5 Qh6 29.Rh4 Nf7
 30.Ng4 Diagram

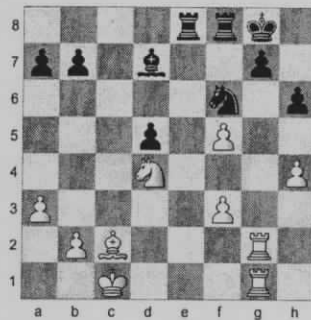


Nxg5 31.Nxh6 gxh6 32.Nd2 Nxh3
 33.Rxh3 Rf7 34.Ne4 Be7 35.f6 Bxf6
 36.Nd6 Ree7 37.Nxf7+ Rxf7 38.Rf3
 Kg7 39.Kg2 Bg5 40.a4 Rxf3 41.Kxf3
 Kf6 42.Kg4 a5 43.c4 b6 44.f3 Bc1
 45.b3 Bd2 46.Kh4 Kf5 47.Kg3 Kg5
 48.Kf2 Kxh5 White resigns 49.Kg3 Kg5
 50.Kh3 Kf4 51.Kg2 Ke3
 0-1

□ E. Hongisto, 1778
 ■ R. Carpenter, 1842
 Thaw Rd 4 Trompowski

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bg5 e6 3.e4 Be7 4.Nd2
 h6 5.Bh4 d5 6.e5 Nfd7 7.Bxe7 Qxe7
 8.Qg4 0-0 9.Bd3 c5 10.c3 Nc6 11.a3
 Rd8 12.Ne2 Nf8 13.Nf4 cxd4 14.cxd4
 f5 15.exf6 Qxf6 16.Ne2 e5 17.Qf3
 Qxf3 18.gxf3 Ne6 19.dxe5 Nxe5

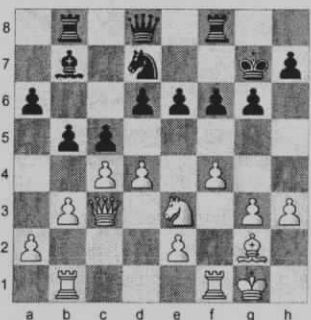
20.Bc2 Bd7 21.f4 Nc4 22.0-0-0 Bc6
 23.Rhg1 Rf8 24.f5 Ng5 25.Nd4 Nxd2
 26.Rxd2 Rae8 27.h4 Ne4 28.Re2 Bd7
 29.Bb3 Bc6 30.Bc2 Bd7 31.f3 Nf6
 32.Reg2 Diagram



Re7 33.Rg6 Kh8 34.Ne6 Bxe6
 35.fxe6 Nh5 36.Bb3 Nf4 37.Bxd5?
 Nxd5 38.Re1 Nf4 39.Rg4 Rxe6
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□ B. Martin, 1700
 ■ D. Thompson, unr
 Thaw Rd 1 English

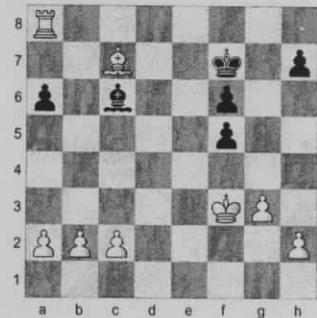
1.Nf3 c5 2.c4 Nc6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2
 Nf6 5.0-0 Bg7 6.Nc3 a6 7.d3 0-0
 8.Be3 d6 9.Qc1 Ng4 10.Bd2 Rb8
 11.h3 Nge5 12.Nxe5 Nxe5 13.Bh6 b5
 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.f4 Nd7 16.b3 Qb6
 17.Nd5 Qd8 18.Qc3+ f6 19.Rab1 Bb7
 20.d4 e6 21.Ne3 Diagram



Bxg2 22.Nxg2 cxd4 23.Qxd4 Qb6
 24.Rbd1 e5 25.Qxb6 Rxb6 26.cxb5
 axb5 27.Rd5 Re8 28.Rfd1 exf4
 29.Nxf4 g5 30.Rxd6 Rxd6 31.Rxd6
 gxf4 32.Rxd7+ Kg6 33.gxf4 Rxe2
 34.Rd5 Rxa2 35.Rxb5 Rb2 36.b4 h5
 37.Rb8 Kf5 38.b5 Kxf4 39.b6 Kg3
 40.Kf1 f5 41.b7 Kf3 42.Ke1 Ke3?
 43.Re8+ Kf3 44.b8Q Black resigns
 1-0

□ P. Richards, 680
 ■ G. Drake, 942
 Thaw Rd 3 King Pawn

1.e4 e5 2.d4 d6 3.d5 Nf6 4.f3 Nxe4
 5.fxe4 Qh4+ 6.g3 Qxe4+ 7.Kf2 Qxh1
 8.Nf3 e4 9.Qe2 f5 10.Bf4 Be7 11.Nc3
 exf3 12.Qxf3 Qxf3+ 13.Kxf3 b5
 14.Re1 Rf8 15.Bg5 Rf7 16.Bxb5+ c6
 17.dxc6 a6 18.c7+ Nd7 19.Bc6 Ra7
 20.Nd5 Kf8 21.Bxd7 Ra8 22.Bxe7+
 Kg8 23.Be8 Ra7 24.Bxd6 Rf6
 25.Nxf6+ gxf6 26.Re7 Kf8 27.Bd7
 Rxc7 28.Re8+ Kf7 29.Bxc7 Bxd7
 30.Ra8 Bc6+ Diagram



31.Kf4 Bxa8 32.Kxf5 Bd5 33.Bb6
 Bxa2 34.Bd4 Bb1 35.Bxf6 Bxc2+
 36.Ke5 Kg6 37.g4 Bd1 38.g5 h5
 39.h4 a5 40.Kf4 a4
 1/2-1/2

□ B. Hayes, 1490
 ■ W. Spencer, 779
 Thaw Rd 2 Accelerated Mouse Attack

1.d3 e5 2.a3 d5 3.e3 Nf6 4.h3 Nc6
 5.Nd2 Bf5 6.Be2 Bc5 7.g4 Be6 8.Nf1
 0-0 9.Nh2 e4 10.d4 Bd6 11.Nf1 Re8
 12.Bd2 Qd7 13.c3 Rad8 14.Qc2 Bxg4
 15.0-0-0 Bxe2 16.Nxe2 Na5 17.Nf4
 Qb5 18.b4 Nc4 19.Qa2 b6 20.Kb1 c5
 21.Ka1 cxb4 22.Rb1 a5 23.Bc1 Ra8
 24.Nd2 Nxa3 25.Bxa3 Qa4 26.Bb2
 Qc2 27.Rhd1 bxc3 28.Rbc1 cxb2+
 29.Qxb2 Qa4+ 30.Qa2 Ba3 31.Rc2
 Bb2+ 32.Kxb2 Qb4+ 33.Ka1 Rec8
 34.Rdc1 Nd7 35.Rxc8+ Rxc8 36.Rxc8+
 Nf8 37.Nxd5 Qd6 38.Rc7 Qh2
 39.Ne7+ Kh8 40.Qxf7 h6 41.Qg8#
 1-0



Montana Junior Chess Championship

Date:
Saturday
April 30

Site: Conference Room, AmericInn Lodge & Suites, 1121 Reeves Road West, Bozeman, MT

Format: 4 divisions, 5 rounds, SS or RR depending on entries. Each player has approximately 30 minutes/game (chess clocks optional but may be inserted into games by director)

Registration: 10:15 to 10:45am
(Pre-pay and avoid the long line Saturday Morning!)

Rounds: First round begins at 11:00am; Rds 2-5 will begin as soon as practical for each division

Lunch break: No later than 12:30; otherwise whatever works best for each group

Divisions: K-3, 4-5, 6-8, 9-12 depending on sign-up. Director reserves right to alter divisions to make them reasonably sized.

Entry: \$7 for MCA members, \$13 for non-members (includes 1-yr membership)

Awards: Trophies to the top three scores in each division. Winner of 9-12 division will be the 2004 Montana Junior Champion.

Entries: by mail or at site—no phone or email entries: **by mail:** University Chess Club, SUB Box 23, MT St Univ, Bozeman, MT 59717

Information: Steve Scarff
Ph...(406) 586-4479

steve@bridgeband.com

updates: www.montanachess.org

12th Greater Northwest Team Tourney



Location: Banquet Room, Shack Restaurant,
222 W. Main, Missoula, MT

Format: 7 teams (4 players/team) **Time Control:** G/30
Round-Robin UNRATED

Registration: 11:00-11:15am **Rounds:** 11:45am, 1:15pm,
2:35pm, 3:50pm, 5:05pm, (round six—if needed—ASAP)

Prizes: (based on 24 entries) 1st place -\$15 each player,
2nd place gets \$5 each. Best board prizes — \$5

Team Entry Fee: \$35 by May 4, \$45—May 5-14, \$55 site

Individuals: \$10 by May 1, \$12—May 2-7, \$15—May 8-14,
\$20 at the door. *Players under age 17—\$2 less*

Entries and Info: Mail to: Greg Nowak, PO Box 8572,
Missoula, MT 59807 **or in person at:** Clandestine Chess
Club, 125 W. Main (down the hall), Missoula, 6:30pm to
9:00pm, Monday and Tuesday

Misc: No time delay or insufficient losing chances rule.
Individuals may enter and be in the player-pool. After
teams are seated, remaining teams will be formed from
“pool” of players. **All must be present by 11:30**

Idaho Open

April 28-29 (Fri-Sat)

Pond Student Union, ISU Campus, Pocatello ID

!! \$3000 Guaranteed in Four Sections, 30 Grand Prix Points !!

Lectures Thurs Apr 28: IMs Ivanov and Donaldson; 6pm and 8pm

Contact: Jay Simonson—rooknjay@yahoo.com

Herb Maschner—maschner@isu.edu

70th Montana

Open

April 23-24
Great Falls

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Montana Chess Association

70th MONTANA OPEN

April 23-24

Great Falls

Townhouse Inn, 1411 10th Ave South

Registration: 8:30-9:30am Player meeting at 9:50

Entry: \$25 by 4/22, \$30 at site, jrs at 1/2

Prizes: \$75-55-40 2 biggest upsets \$25-20

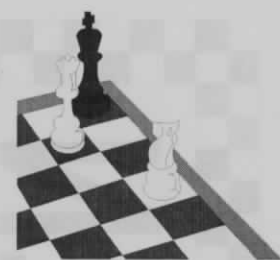
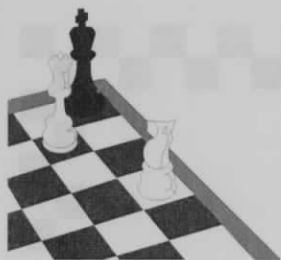
Trophies to Top MT Senior and Top MT Junior

\$\$based on 25 players, more per entries

More info at montanachess.org and March and April issues of Chess Life

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Saturday April 30

Montana Junior Chess Championship

AmericInn Lodge & Suites, Bozeman, MT



Montana Chess Association



Sponsored by the **Montana Chess Association** and **AmericInn Lodge & Suites**

Location: Conference Room, AmericInn Lodge & Suites, 1121 Reeves Rd. West, Bozeman, MT (406-522-8686) www.americinn.com

Room discounts available – ask for chess tournament discount.

Format: 5-round Swiss system or round-robin depending on entries.

Each player has approximately 30 minutes per game
(chess clocks optional but may be inserted into games by the director)

Schedule: Check in between 10:15 to 10:45.

(Pre-pay and avoid the long line Saturday morning!)

First round begins at 11:00am

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Lunch break: No later than 12:30, otherwise whatever works best per group

Divisions: K-3, 4-5, 6-8, 9-12 depending on sign-up. Director reserves right to alter divisions to make them reasonably sized.

Entry Fee: \$7 for Montana Chess Association members
\$13 for non-members (includes 1-year membership)

Awards: Trophies to the top three scores in each section.
Winner of 9-12 section will be the 2004 Montana Junior Champion.

All skill levels welcome—just know the rules of the game.

Send registration including name, grade, school, and entry fee to:

Steve Scarff, 214 S. Church Ave, Bozeman, MT 59715

Make checks payable to: Montana Chess Association.

Information: (406) 586-4479 or steve@bridgeband.com
entries by mail or at site—no phone/email entries

Information: Dan McCourt (406) 721-0254 or mccourtj@msn.com

Bring: Chess sets and clocks if you have them

Food: Pizza by the slice, drinks, and various homemade goodies will be offered by the Longfellow Elementary School Chess Club, with proceeds going to buy chess equipment for their club. Both cheese and pepperoni pizza will be available, and drinks will include juice, pop, and water. If you wish to order pizza, please bring cash, then order and pay for your pizza during the check-in period. Pizza will arrive at lunch time.

Those not wanting pizza may bring a sack lunch or visit the 19th Hole Grill next door.

Player's Name	Grade	School	Division K-3, 4-5, 6-8, 9-12

70th MONTANA OPEN

Townhouse Inn, Great Falls

5 round swiss Game/2hours

Registration: 8:30 - 9:30am

Pairings, Introductions, and explanations: 9:45 - 9:55am

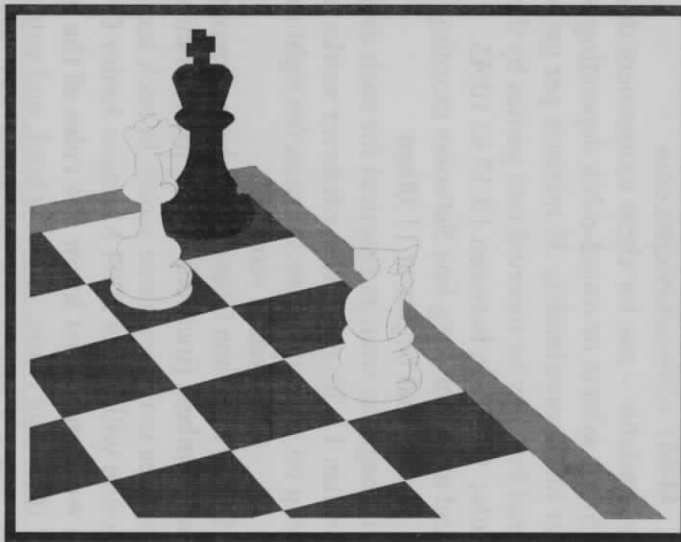
Rounds: 10am, 2:30pm, 7pm
Sunday 9am and 3pm (asap)

MCA business meeting:
between rounds 4 and 5

\$\$ prizes (based on 25 entries)

1st-\$75, 2nd-\$55, 3rd-\$40

*Two biggest upsets-\$25-20
(both non-provisional)*



Entry Fees: \$25 by April 22,
\$30 at site, Juniors 1/2
make checks payable to: MCA

Entries and Info:
Nick Doulas, 523 27th St. S.,
Great Falls, Mt 59405
406-899-4664 and
doulas41@bresnan.net

Trophy Prizes:

1st, 2nd, 3rd, top MT Sr. and Jr. ,
top in Classes A-E/below, unrated

Townhouse Inn, 1411 10th Ave South

406-761-4600 800-442-4667

MCA or other state membership required NS NC W

Computer pairings using ratings from the WEB site

Hotel rates: \$50—mention chess, 800-442-4667

1/2 point byes for rounds 3, 4, 5 must be requested before player's
first game

More information and updates at www.montanachess.org
coffee, juice, tea, bagels, and donuts will be provided