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Paul Motta Sweeps 67th State Open MCA ELECTS A NEW BOARD LOTS OF UPCOMING TOURNEYS John Barto Open- New Format State Closed to be in Bozeman

67th State Open a Success

On June 1 and 2, 2002 the Missoula Chess scene hosted Montana's premiere chess open tournament, the 67th State Open. The playing site, the Missoula Children's Theatre, was a beautiful and spacious setting for the competition. The MCA thanks **Dan McCourt** for his tremendous effort in being the TD, securing the playing site, getting local sponsors, opening up his house for out-of-town guests, and taking care of all those little details which made for a great tournament.

This tournament belonged to Paul Motta, who scored a perfect 5-0 to top 38 other players and win the title of Montana State Open Champion. Motta's trek to the top was put to the test as he had victories over the 2nd, 4th and 5th place finishers.

Jim Skovron lost his first game, but

came roaring back with 4 straight wins to end with a score of 4-1 and a share of second place. John Julian had a great tournament also. John had a 4-1 score which tied him for second and placed him first among the juniors (Under 20 years old).

Motta's perfect score was almost overshadowed by the exceptionally strong showing of the younger players. Scott Young, a Missoula eighth-grader, scored the biggest upset of the weekend while two 12-year-olds, Kirk Lundby and Garrett Morkill, racked up the 2nd and 3rd best upsets. Alex Morkill and Dan Copeland also scored big upsets. Steve Buck had the best senior (60+ years) score.

Legendary chess traveler/adventurer, Robert Feldstein of Brooklyn, NY, marked off 3 more wins in his quest to acheive 50 victories in each state.

Class awards went: A–Paul Motta, B– Haluk Beyenal, Bozeman, C–Russ Kubisiak, D–Chris Copeland, Spokane, E–Garrett Morkill, Spokane.

No Fireworks at **Business Meeting**

This year's business meeting lacked the controversy of Proxies: Some members felt the last year, which is a good thing. About 13 or so people attended the meeting and elected a new Board of Directors:

President: Dan McCourt Executive V.P.: Bill McBroom Western V.P.: Greg Nowak Eastern V.P.: Mel Drake Sec./ Treasurer: Jim Skovron

As of the Open, the MCA had about 117 members, however a significant portion are junior memberships. While youthful interest is good, the junior memberships are \$5.00, which puts a financial strain on the MCA expenses.

Since the meeting lacked a quorum, the group discussed but did not vote on any issues. The consensus was to give the following

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issues to the Board to investigate and perhaps vote upon in the future.

proxy system has been divisive. abused, and the MCA would be better off without any proxies. Others felt absent MCA members should have a voice in the organization, even if they could not make the business meeting.

Raise Dues: Presently \$10, suggested increase to \$11.

Raise State Open Entry Fees: Raise entry fee from \$20 to \$25. According to some, the entry fee for the Wyoming Open is \$30 prepaid and \$35 at the door. Washington is \$66 prepaid, \$79 at the door. Idaho charges \$40 at the door.

Tie Break System at tournaments: The group agreed a tournament director for a Grand Prix tournament could select any standard tie break system, so long as



Grand Prix Winners Jim Skovron 60.35

Jan Johansson 39.39 Greg Nowak 32.74 Ron Erickson 24.09 David Duke 21.49 Bill McBroom 20.10 Mike Jensen 16.52 S. Moore 15.12 Paul Motta 14.81 Dan McCourt 14.11

the tie break method was announced in a newsletter. The only exception would be the State Open, which would remain the "bylaw" mandated tie break system (1.Solkoff - which is Russian for Dueling Pistols at 10 paces).

Raise the age of Juniors: Presently, a Junior is a person under 18. The proposal is to raise the age to 19, to conform with the USCF's definition of Junior.

Other issues discussed: A Senior's tournament, more Youth tournaments, 10 person closed, having next year's Open in Billings at a time which does not conflict with various graduations or the Governor's cup, Triple Header, and giving gift certificates as prizes instead of trophies.

Closed **Oualifiers**

Congratulations to the qualifiers to the 2002 State Closed.

Current State Champion:

- 1. Jan Johansson
- 2. David Duke (alternate)

Grand Prix

- 1. Jim Skovron
- 2. Greg Nowak
- 3. Ron Erickson (alternate)

Montana Open

- 1. Paul Motta
- 2. David Duke
- 3. Mike Jensen
- 4. Haluk Beyenal (alternate)

Helena Triple Header by Dan McCourt

John Pedry, of Casper, Wyoming, took the top trophy at the Capital Hill Triple-Header, with 17.5 points over the course of the two-day event. Brent Lashinski came in a very close 2nd with 17 points including 2 of 3 in head-head encounters with Pedry. Richard Cohen, also from Casper, had 15 points and placed near the top in each event.

Kirk Lundby, an 'old hand' on the Montana youth scene, scored 14.5 for the best youth score just ahead of Garrett Mindt, a new member from Townsend, who finished with 11 points. Ethan Tilly captured the "Sleeping Giant Award" with a 708 point upset. The Helena 3rd grader actually pulled it off twice with Quick and Blitz victories over an anonymous victim who is the MCA Eastern V.P.

Lashinski finished at or near the top in all three tournaments. Brent won the 5 round Action tourney with 4 points, shared first with Pedry in the Quick event, and finished up with a 2nd place showing in Blitz chess. Pedry's long drive to the event might have slowed him down some on Saturday jo9rhning as he took two losses and a draw in the Action Chess. After that, however, John was nearly invincible, picking up 11 wins in the Blitz (for a perfect score) and four

more in Quick chess.

The tournament was played in Helena's Capitol Hill Mall with space, tables, chairs, and discount certificates provided by the Mall Management. Since the timing of the event did not permit an announcement in the MCA newsletter, no championships were awarded but event winners were rewarded with cash on the barrel-head. (If some other organizers are interested in hosting the Championship Triple-Header, please contact the MCA Board ... we will be (UNR) wrested from Burt glad to help).

Organizers, Dan Mc-Court and Mel Drake, would like to thank the Capitol Hill Mall for providing the playing site and thanks to all the participants as well.

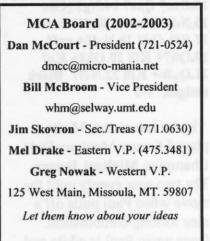
Paul Mitchell Champ of Northern MT. by Greg Nowak

July 20 was a lovely day to show off your chess skills. The players perfomed at the attarctive Shack Restaurant banquest room in Missoula. In the G60, rated section. Mitchell bested 5 other ardent chess players. He was perfect at 3.0. (Combined with his other 2.5 of 3 USCF points, he shiould be about 1800). Second was Bob Leader (1520) of Plains with the only 2 pt. score. No one lost all their games, which was good. Jack Hamlin played in his 1st

USCF event and scored 1 point.

In the reserve unrated G30 section, 10 vied ofr the title. After a stunning 1st roundupset to Rick Gold (UNR), Rich Hall (1556) of Stephenville rebounded with 3 straight wins in a 3 way ti fo 1st with Ken Schultz (1327) and Hohn Hay. Hall had to overcome Kn in the last round, who had a 3.0. The other notable upset was the come from behind draw Ben Anderson Bentley of Jamaca. Ben was stalemated with a K+P vs K with a few second left.

After an absence of 6 years, Kelle Bradshaw returned. She brought her you son, Cameon, along to play. Cameron is a USCF member with no rating yet. Event was promoted and directred by Greg Nowak. Maybe I'll advertise it in USCF next year and get a bigger site.

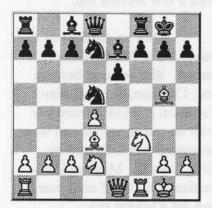


STATE OPEN

Below are two of **Paul Motta's** five wins. The first game is Paul's third round victory over second place finisher **John Julian.** Paul plays the Blackmar-Deimer Gambit and when John leaves his h7 pawn ungaurded the bombs are lower away.

Paul Motta (1900) - John Julian (1841) [C00] MT. State Open, 01.06.2002

1.d4 e6 2.e4 d5 3.Be3 Nf6 4.Nd2 dxe4 5.f3 exf3 6.Ngxf3 Bd6 7.Bd3 0-0 8.Bg5 Nbd7 9.0-0 Be7 10.Qe1 Nd5?(10...c5)

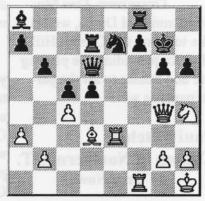


11.Bxh7+! Kxh7 12.Qh4+ Kg8 13.Bxe7 Qxe7 14.Ng5 N5f6 15.Nde4 Re8 16.Rxf6! Nxf6 17.Rf1 Qd7 18.Nxf6+ gxf6 19.Qh7+ Kf8 20.Qh8+ Ke7 21.Qxf6+ Kf8 22.Nxf7 Black resigns. 1-0

In the last round, Motta played former Montana State Champion **Michael Jensen**. The two spar evenly until the move when Paul pulls off a nice forking combination. Once again Paul is white and plays the Blackmar-Deimer Gambit.

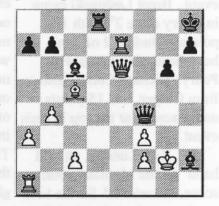
Paul Motta (1900) - Mike Jensen (1888) [D00] MT. State Open

1.d4 d5 2.e4 dxe4 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.f3 exf3 5.Nxf3 e6 6.Bg5 Be7 7.Bd3 0-0 8.0-0 Nc6 9.Kh1 b6 10.Qd2 Bb7 11.a3 Qd7 12.Qf4 Nh5 13.Qh4 g6 14.Ne4 Bxg5 15.Nexg5 h6 16.Nh7 Kxh7 17.Qxh5 Kg7 [Fritz says 17...Ba6 and Black successfully trades off White's Bishop and secures an advantage] 18.Qh4 Qd8 19.Qf4 Qe7 20.Rae1 Rad8 21.c4 Qd6 22.Qe4 Ba8 23.Nh4 Ne7 24.d5 c5 25.Re3 Rd7 26.Qg4 exd5



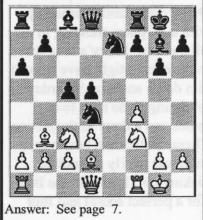
27.Rxe7! White now controls the f5 square for his Knight due to the pin of the g6 pawn against the King. 27...Rxe7 28.Nf5+ Black resigned 1-0

At the Crocus Open, last spring, Elston Cloy from Spokane came to Missoula and beat Mike Jensen. In the following game, Mike evens the score and takes home the win. M.Jensen(1888) - E.Cloy (1913) 1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.Bd3 cxd4 6.0-0 Bd7 7.a3 g6 8.b4 Rc8 9.Bb2 f5 10.exf6 Nxf6 11.Nxd4 Bd6 12.Re1 Nxd4 13.Bxd4 0-0 14.Nd2 Qc7 15.Nf3 Ne4 (Elston sacs a pawn for an attack against White's K) 16.Bxe4 dxe4 17.Rxe4 Bc6 18.Rxe6 Rxf3 19.gxf3 Bxh2+ 20.Kf1 Bb5+ 21.Kg2 Rf8 22.Bc5 Rd8 23.Qe1 Bc6 24.Re7 Qf4 25.Qe6+ Kh8



26.Qf7 (Fritz gives 26. Qh3 which threatens mate on h7 and Black's Bh2. Black must either lose the game or a piece) 26..Bxf3+ 27.Kf1 Qxf7 28.Rxf7 Bd5 29.Rf8+ Rxf8 30.Bxf8 Kg8 31.Bc5 Be5 32.Re1 Bf6 33.Rd1 Be6 34.Bd4 Be7 35.Re1 Bh3+ 36.Kg1 Bf8 37.Re8 Kf7 38.Rb8 b5 39.Ra8 Bf5 40.c3 Bd6 41.Rxa7+ Sheets become hard to read. White won in about 78 moves.

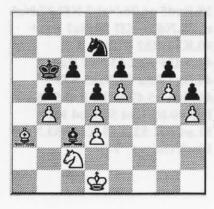
Black to move and win a piece. Hint: The d4 square forks the c4 square and the White K.



In the first round, Scott Young - the current Montana Junior Champion - pulls out an upset over Grand Prix Champion and second place finisher Jim Skovron. The game is a real battle throughout and it looked as if there was going to be a draw. At the end. Jim tries to force the issue and Scott holds on for the win

S.Young (1348) J.Skovron (1844

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.h3 c6 5.f4 b5 6.a3 a6 7.Nf3 Bg7 8.Be3 Nbd7 9.Qd2 Nb6 10.b3 Qc7 11.b4?! These seems to be a wasted move. White's last move was b3. Black now goes after the (1777) [D00] weakness at c4. 11...Be6 12.g4 Bc4 13.Bd3 a5 14.0-0 axb4 15.axb4 0-0 16.Oc1 Rxa1 17.Qxa1 Ra8 18.Qb2 Qa7 19.Rb1 Qa3 20.Nd2 Bxd3 21.cxd3 Qxb2 22.Rxb2 Ra3 23.Rb3 Ra1+ 24.Rb1 Rxb1+ 25.Ndxb1 d5 26.e5 Ne8 27.f5 Nc7 28.Na3 Na6 29.Nc2 e6 30.fxe6 fxe6 31.Bc1 Bf8 32.Ba3 Bh6 33.Na2 Bd2 34.Kf1 Na4 35.h4 Nc3 36.Nxc3 Bxc3 37.Ke2 h5 38.g5 Kf7 39.Kd1 Nc7 40.Ke2 Ne8 41.Bc1 Ng7 42.Be3 Nf5 43.Bf2 Ke7 44.Kd1 Kd7 45.Ke2 Kc7 46.Kd1 Kb6 47.Ke2 Ng7 48.Kd1 Ne8 49.Be3 Nc7 50.Bc1 Na6 51.Ba3 Nb8 52.Bc1 Nd7 53.Ba3 Kc7 54.Ke2 Kb6 55.Kd1

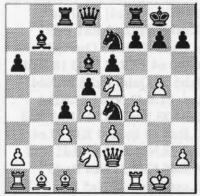


55...Nxe5 After jocking around in a drawn position, Black decides probably thought he could get more out of the sac, but apparently it was not enough. 56.dxe5 Bxe5 57.Bc1 Bg3 58.Be3+ Kc7 Scoresheet ends. White goes on to win. 1-0

After losing his first, game Jim Skovron won four straight games to tie for second place. Jim has had a very good chess year, winning the Grand Prix tournament. Here is one of Jim's 1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Nf3 wins from the open.

Jim Skovron (1844) - Steve Buck 10.Bd3 Bxc3+11.bxc3 Qxc2

1.d4 d5 2.e3 Nf6 3.Bd3 e6 4.Nd2 c5 5.c3 Nc6 6.f4 Bd6 7.g3 a6 8.Ngf3 b5 9.0-0 Bb7 10.Qe1 0-0 11.Ne5 Rc8 12.Qe2 c4 13.Bb1 b4 14.g4 bxc3 15.bxc3 Ne7 16.g5 Ne4 White to move and win a pawn.

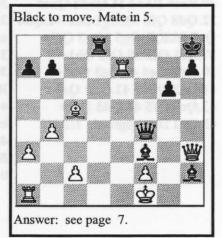


17.Nxe4 dxe4 18.Nxc4 Bd5 19.Nxd6 Oxd6 20.Og2 Rxc3 21.Bxe4 Bxe4 22.Qxe4 Rfc8 23.a4 Nf5 24.Bd2 Rc2 25.Rfc1 Qc7? 26.Rxc2 Black resigns. 1-0

Former State Champion Les Brennan was playing in first to trade his N for two pawns. Jim tournament in a while. In the last round, Les played Elston Cloy. As Black, Les plays the venerable Cambridge Springs Defence and wins a pawn by the Ninth move, however his "bad bishop" allows Cloy to apply pressure throughout the game, which ended as draw.

> Elston Cloy (1912) - LesBrennan (1834).

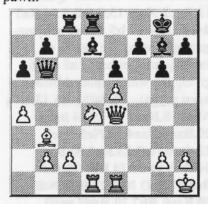
> Nbd7 5.Bg5 c6 6.e3 Qa5 7.Qc2 Ne4 8.Bh4 Bb4 9.Rc1 Qxa2 12.Rxc2 Nef6 13.0-0 0-0 14.Ra1 dxc4 15.Bxc4 b5 (Fritz was suggesting placing the pawns on dark squares, either . . a5 or b6, giving the white-squared bishop more scope). 16.Bd3 Nd5 17.e4 N5f6 18.Rca2 a6 19.c4 bxc4 20.Bxc4 Nxe4 21.Ne5 Nxe5 22.dxe5 Nc3 23.Ra3 Nb5 24.Rd3 h6 25.f4 Bb7 26.Rd7 Bc8 27.Rd3 Nc7 28.Rd6 Nd5 29.Rxc6 Bb7 30.Bxd5 exd5 31.Rc7 Bc8 32.h3 h5 33.Ra5 Be6 34.g4 hxg4 35.hxg4 Bxg4 36.Rxd5 Rfc8 37.Rxc8+ Rxc8 38.Rd8+ Rxd8 39.Bxd8 Kf8 40.Kf2 Ke8 With opposite colored Bishops, the players agreed to a draw. 1/2 - 1/2



The Open saw more than it's share of upsets and close games. In the first round **Daniel** Copeland gets a draw with **Rudolf Katzl.**

Daniel Copeland(1489) - Rudolf Katzl (1920) [B35]

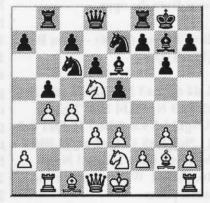
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 g6 5.Nc3 Bg7 6.Be3 Nf6 7.Bc4 0-0 8.0-0 d6 9.f4 Bd7 10.Qd2 Rc8 11.Bb3 a6 12.a4 Ng4 13.Nce2 Nxe3 14.Qxe3 Nxd4 (... Qb6) 15.Nxd4 Qb6 16.e5 e6 17.Rfe1 dxe5 18.fxe5 Rfd8 19.Rad1 Qa5 20.Qe4 Qb6 21.Kh1 Black to move and win a pawn.



21...Bf8? (Black wins a pawn with 21. .. Bxa4 22. Bxa4 Rc4) 22.Qh4 Bc5 23.Nf3 h5 Black can play 23. . . Bf2 24.Qh6 Bxe1 25.Ng5 Qf2 24.Qf4 Bf8 25.Ng5 Be8 26.Ne4 Bg7 27.Nd6 Rc5 28.Rd2 Bxe5 29.Rxe5 Rxd6 30.Rxc5 Rxd2 31.Qxd2 Qxc5 32.Qd8 Qf8 33.Kg1 Bc6 34.Qd4 Qe7 35.Kf2 Qg5 36.g3 Qf5+ 37.Ke1 Qf3 38.Qf2 Qh1+ 39.Kd2 Qe4 40.Qe3 Qb4+ 41.Qc3 Qd6+ 42.Qd3 Qe5 43.Oc3 Of5 44.Od3 Of2+ 45.Qe2 Draw agreed. 1/2-1/2

In the final round, John Julian, the second place finisher, pulls out an upset over Greg Nowak.

Greg Nowak(2151) - John Julian (1841)[A26] MT State Open 1.g3 g6 2.c4 Bg7 3.Bg2 e5 4.Nc3 d6 5.d3 Nc6 6.Rb1 Nge7 7.e3 0-0 8.Nge2 Be6 9.Nd5 Rb8 10.b4 b5 Black's set up is one of the more unique ways of meeting the 1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.c3 d3 English. In the following moves, White loses pawn, from which it never recovers. White should play a3 and prepare for action on the c or d file.

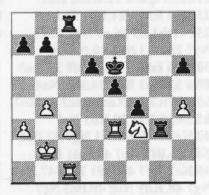


11.Nxe7+ [11.a3 bxc4 12.dxc4 a5 13.b5 Na7 14.a4] 11 ... Nxe7 12.cxb5 Bxa2 13.Ra1 Bd5 14.Bxd5 Nxd5 15.Qa4 Qd7 16.0-0 e4 17.Ra3 exd3 18.Rxd3 Oxb5 19.Oxb5 Rxb5 20.Nd4 Rb6 21.Bd2 Nxb4 22.Bxb4 Rxb4 23.Nc6 Rb7 24.Ra3 Ra8 25.Rd1 a6 26.Kg2 Kf8 27.e4 Rb6 28.Na5 Ke7 29.Rd2 Rb5 30.Rd5 Kd7 31.Nc4 Rxd5 32.exd5 Bd4 33.Na5 Bb6 34.Nc6 a5 35.Ra4 Re8 36.Kf3 Re1 37.Kf4 Rd1 38.Nxa5 Rxd5 39.Nc4 Bxf2 40.Kf3 Bc5 41.Ra8 Rf5+ 42.Kg4 d5 43.Na5 Bb6 44.Nb3 d4 45.Ra2 c5 46.Rd2 h5+ 47.Kh3 Rf3 48.Nc1 c4 49.Kg2 Re3 50.Ne2 c3 51.Ra2 Rxe2+ 52.Rxe2 d3 White resigns 0 - 1

In the first round Kirk Lundby pulls off the upset over Haluk Beyenal. While Haluk helps Kirk out by giving up a piece, Kirk takes proper advantage and takes home the win.

Kirk Lundby (1216) - Haluk Beyenal (1713) [B21]

4.Bxd3 e5 5.Qh5 In the opening, it is usually best to leave the Q at home and develop other pieces. 5...Nc6 6.Bc4 g6 7.Qf3 Qf6 8.h4 h6 9.g4 Qxf3 10.Nxf3 Nf6 11.Nbd2 Nxg4 12.Nf1 Bc5 13.Ne3 Nxe3 14.Bxe3 Bxe3 15.fxe3 d6 16.0-0-0 Ke7 17.Rhf1 Be6 18.Bxe6 Kxe6 19.b4 Rac8 20.a3 Ne7 21.Kb2 f5 22.Rg1 Rhg8 23.exf5+ gxf5 24.Rgf1 Nd5 25.Rc1 Nxe3 26.Rfe1 Rg3? (26...f4 and Black maintains a 2 pawn advantage) 27.Rxe3 f4

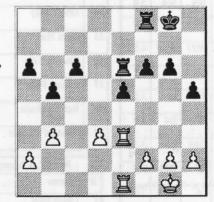


28.Nd4+! Kd5 29.Rxg3 fxg3 30.Nf5 Rf8 31.Nxg3 Kc4 32.Ne4 d5 33.Nd6+ Kd3 34.Rd1+ Ke3 35.Rxd5 e4 36.Nxb7 Kf2 37.Nc5 e3 38.Nd3+ Kf1 39.Nc1 Rf2+ 40.Kb3 Rh2 41.Re5 Kf2 42.Nd3+ Ke2 43.Ne1 Rxh4 44.Ng2 Rh2 45.Nxe3 Kf3 46.Nd5 h5 47.Rxh5 Rxh5 48.c4 Rf5 49.b5 Ke4 50.Kb4 Kd4 51.a4 Rf1 52.Ka5 Kxc4 53.Ne3+ Black resigns. 1-0

Ethan Tilly is a Third Grade student from Helena. Ethan plays Thomas Wacker to a draw in the final round by making some good moves. Keep up the good work Ethan!

Ethan Tilly (470) - Thomas Wacker (1112) [B01] State Open,

1.e4 d5 2.Be2 (Black is playing the Center Counter or Scandinavian Defence. Proper is 2.exd5 Qxd5 3.Nc3 attacking the Q) 2...dxe4 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.d3 exd3 5.cxd3 (5.Bx3 is better, the text move gives White an isolated pawn which is usually weak because it does not have another pawn to protect it.) 5...Nc6 6.Nf3 e6 7.Bg5 Be7 8.0-0 h6 9.Be3 Ng4 10.Bd4 Nxd4 11.Qa4+! (Excellent move showing a good tactical vision) 11...c6 12.Qxd4 Qxd4 13.Nxd4 Bc5 14.Bxg4 Bxd4 15.Nd1 h5 16.Bf3 e5 17.Re1 g6 18.Rb1 Bf5 19.Be4 Bxe4 20.Rxe4 0-0 21.Re2 Rae8 22.b3 b5 23.Ne3 Bxe3 24.Rxe3 a6 25.Rc1 Re6 26.Rce1 f6



27.Re4 The move here is d4. Black cannot play exd4 because Black will lose his Re6. On the next move, White can play dxe5 and thus get rid of its weak d3 pawn. 27...Rd8 28.R4e3 White can still play d4 with good results. 28...Rde8 29.a4 bxa4 30.bxa4 c5 31.f4 Good idea based on the similar idea explained above, 31 ... c4?! This is a gift to White as the weak d3 pawn becomes a strong c5 passed pawn. 32.dxc4 e4 33.c5 h4 (33... .f5 to protect the e4 pawn) 34.h3 f5 35.Rb1 Rc8 36.Rb6! Good thinking! This results in a consolidation of pawns. 36...Rxb6 Black should not help out White. Black should have played Kf7 37.cxb6 Rb8 38.a5 Rb7 39.Kf2 Rb8 40.Rc3 Kg7 41.Rc7+ Kf6 42.Ra7 g5 43.b7? (43.fxg5+ followed by Rxa6) 43...gxf4 44.Ra8? Rxb7 45.Rxa6+ Kg5 46.Rb6 Ra7 47.a6 e3+ 48.Ke2 The Scoresheets get hard to read and follow. Draw. 1/2-1/2

MCA thanks outgoing Sec/ Treas Paul Motta. Visit Montana chess on the net <u>www.montanachess.com</u>

#	Name	Rting	Rd 1	Rd2	Rd3	Tot
1	M. Stubblefield	1633	W4	W2	W3	3.0
2	Rich Hall	1556	W9	LI	W4	2.0
3	Roger White	1500	L5	W10	Ll	1.0
4	Ken Schultz	1327	L1	W9	L2	1.0
5	Sherwood Moore	1640	W3	U	U	1.0
6	Dale Gross	1604	U	U	W8	1.0
7	Bob Hayes	1269	U	U	W9	1.0
8	Dan McCourt	1705	U	.5	L6	0.5
9	David Rinehold	1270	L2	L4	L7	0.0
10	Ken Westdhal	1173	U	L3	U	0.0

Answer to page 4 problem. Taken from State Open. Korsmo v. Duke. Black won a piece taking advantage of White's exposed K. 1... c4! 2.dxc4 dxc4 3. Bxc4 Nxf3 4.0xf3

Qd4+ 5. King moves Qxc4.

UCCC (Missoula) Quick Chess									
#	Name	Rting	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	Tot	
1	Michael Jensen	1851	x	D	D	W	W	3.0	
2	William McBroom	1643	D	x	D	D	w	2.5	
3	Sherwood Moore	1680	D	D	x	L	W	2.0	
4	Daniel McCourt	1731	L	D	w	x	L	1.5	
5	Thomas Wacker	1200	L	L	L	w	x	1.0	

First Summer Open - UCCC Missoula									
#	Name	Rting	Rd 1	Rd2	Rd3	Tot			
1	Dan McCourt	1725	W3	W2	W4	3.0			
2	David Shughart	1712	W4	L1	U	1.0			
3	William McBroom	1641	Ll	W4	U	1.0			
4	Thomas Wacker	1112	L2	L3	Ll	0.0			

Answer to page 5 problem. Taken from State Open, an <u>unplayed</u> variation of Jensen v. Cloy.

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#	Name	Rting	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd4	Rd5	To
1	Paul Motta	1900	W31	W22	W2	W4	W4	5.0
2	John Julian	1841	W25	W24	LI	W23	W7	4.0
3	James Skovron	1849	L24	W25	W17	W27	W10	4.0
4	David Duke	1860	W16	W15	W9	L1	D6	3.5
5	Michael Jensen	1888	W12	W26	D7	W8	L1	3.5
6	Haluk Beyenal	1713	L28	W29	W31	W9	D4	3.5
7	Gregory Nowak	2151	W27	W20	D5	D10	L2	3.0
8	Elston Cloy, Jr.	1912	W19	W21	D10	L5	D11	3.0
9	Robert Feldstein	2000	W14	W23	L4	L6	W18	3.0
10	Stephen Buck	1784	W29	W34	D8	D7	L3	3.0
11	Leslie Brennan	1834	D17	W32	L18	W26	D8	3.0
12	Russell Kubisiak	1475	L.5	W37	L20	W25	W27	3.0
13	Garrett Morkill	1063	L23	W19	W14	D20	H—	3.0
14	Brent Lashinski	1515	L9	W39	L13	W24	W23	3.0
15	Kevin Korsmo	1620	W33	L4	W28	D18	Н—	3.0
16	Chris Copeland	1345	L4	W33	L23	W35	W26	3.0
17	Alex Morkill	1280	D11	W28	L3	D21	Н—-	2.5
18	Rudolf Katzl	1910	D32	Н—-	W11	D15	L9	2.5
19	Richard Cohen	1505	L8	L13	W39	W28	D21	2.5
20	Dennis Petrak	1721	W39	L7	W12	D13	U—	2.5
21	William McBroom	1641	W35	L8	Н—→	D17	D19	2.5
22.	John Downes	1700	W36	LI	Н—	W32	U-	2.5
23	David Shurgart	1712	W13	L9	W16	L2	L14	2.0
24	Scott Young	1300	W13	L2	L26	L14	W29	2.0
25	Melvin Drake	1272	L2	L3	W33	L12	W35	2.0
26	M. Stubblefield	1579	W37	L5	W24	L11	L16	2.0
27	David Griffin	1537	L7	W30	W35	L3	L12	2.0
28	Kirk Lundby	1216	W6	L17	L15	L19	W36	2.0
29	Robert Hayes	1269	L10	L6	W36	W31	L24	2.0
30	Mike Shuyler	1237	L38	L27	D37	W34	Н—	2.0
31	Jerry Morton	1363	LI	W36	L6	L29	н—-	1.5

♦ CROSSTABLES

32	Daniel Copeland	1489	D18	L11	W34	L22	U—	1.5
33	James Cadwallader	707	L15	L16	L25	W39	Н—	1.5
34	Ethan Tilly	470	B	L10	L32	L30	D39	1.5
35	Scott Hunt	953	L21	B—	L27	L16	L25	1.0
36	Charles Tilly	1013	L22	L31	L29	W37	L28	1.0
37	Jessica Price	UNR	L26	L12	D30	L36	H—	1.0
38	Ron Erickson	1772	W30	U—	U—	U—	U—	1.0
39	Thomas Wacker	1112	L20	L14	L19	L33	D34	0.5
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#	Name	Rting	Rd 1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Tot
1	Rich Hall	1556	L8	W7	W6	W2	3.0
2	Ken Shultz	1327	W10	W3	W4	L1	3.0
3	John Hay	1460	W9	L2	W8	W6	3.0
4	Burt Bentley	UNR	W6	W8	L2	D5	2.5
5	Ben Anderson	UNR	U	W10	W9	D4	2.5
6	Allen Ramsey	UNR	L4	W9	LI	L3	1.0
7	Kelle Bradshaw	UNR	U	Ll	_	W9	1.0
8	Rick Gold	UNR	W1	L4	L3	-	1.0
9	Cameron Bradshaw	UNR	L3	L6	L5	L7	0.0
10	Aaron Taylor	UNR	L2	L5		-	0.0

#	Name	Rting	Rd 1	Rd2	Rd3	Tot
1	Paul Mitchell	1701	W4	W2	W3	3.0
2	Bob Leader	1520	W5	LI	W6	2.0
3	David Renhold	1270	W6	L4	L1	1.0
4	Bob Hayes	1269	LI	W3	L5	1.0
5	Ken Westphal	1173	L2	L6	W4	1.0
6	Jack Hamlin	UNR	L3	W5	1.2	1.0

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#	Name	Rting	#1	#2	#3	#4	To
1	Rudolf Katzl	1937	X	W	W	W	3.0
2	David Shughart	1710	L	x	D	W	1.5
3	William McBroom	1643	L	D	x	w	1.5
4	Thomas Wacker	1121	L	L	L	x	0.0



UPCOMING EVENTS

September 28-29, 2002 - The Montana Championship

Site: Student Union Building, Room 276, M.S.U. Campus, Bozeman. EF: Free/ by invitation.
Format: Six player RR, G/2 Prizes: Championship trophy.
Rnds: Sat.9:30 am., 2 pm., 7 pm., Sun. 9:30 am., 2 pm. Information: Dan McCourt, 721.0254,

September 28-29, 2002 - The John Barto Memorial

Format: Two sessions, Sat./Sun., Play one or both for single entry fee.

Sat.: 5 rd, SS, G/45, full K, Rds: 9:30, 11:15, 1pm., 2:45, 4:30

Sun: 5 rd, SS or RR based on entries, G/15, Quick rated.

Rds.: 10 am, 10:40, 11:30, 12:10, 1 pm.

Site: Student Union Building, Room 276, M.S.U. Campus, Bozeman EF: \$15 by Sept. 27, \$20 at site, Juniors (U/20) at ¹/₂.. Prizes: Trophies for singular achievements, cash based on entries. Registration: 9-9:15 am, Sat. Contact: Dan McCourt, 608 West Central, Missoula, MT., 59801, 721.0254, (phone and email entries must be present at registration)

October 5-6, 2002 - The Chinook Open (Montana Grand Prix Event)

Site: University of Great Falls, Classroom Bldg., room 203 Format: 5 rd, SS. G/90 EF: \$20 if received by 10/3, \$25 after that Prizes: $1^{st} = $100, 2^{nd} = $50, $25 top of each division . Registration: Sat.: 8:45 - 9:00 am.$ Rnds: Sat.: 10 am, 2 pm., 7 pm., Sun.: 9:00 am.and 1 pm. Contact: Jim Skovron, 771.0630,3404 Jasper Rd., Great Falls, MT. 59404.

November 2-3, 2002 - The Turkey Open (Montana Grand Prix Event)

Site: Room 202, Liberal Arts Building, U of M Campus, Missoula, MT. Format: 4 rd, SS. G/2 (sudden death with "insufficient losing chances" rule in force) EF: \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door., Juniors half price. USCF and MCA membership required (Other States OK.) Prizes: 1st = \$125, 2nd = \$75, 1600 - 1799 = \$40, 1400 - 1599 = \$30, 1399 and below = \$20; biggest upset (both must be non provisional) = \$10. Prizes based on 20 paid adult entrants. Registration: Sat.: 9:00-9:30 am. Rnds: Sat.: 10 am and 2:30 pm., Sun.: 9:30 am.and 1 pm. Advance Entry: William McBroom, 2321 Raymond Ave., Missoula, MT. 59802, No phone entries.

December 1-2 (or 8-9), 2002 - UCC Blizzard Open (Bozeman)

Probably same format as the Barto Memorial set for September 28-29, 2002

January, 2003 - Freeze Out

Details to be announced.

February 1-2, 2003 - Midwinter/ Groundhog Open (Bozeman)

Probably same format as the Barto Memorial set for September 28-29, 2002

March, 2003 - St. Paddy's Open (Billings - Montana Grand Prix Event)





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There is an MCA or local tournament every month. Find the closest and come out to play. See inside for details