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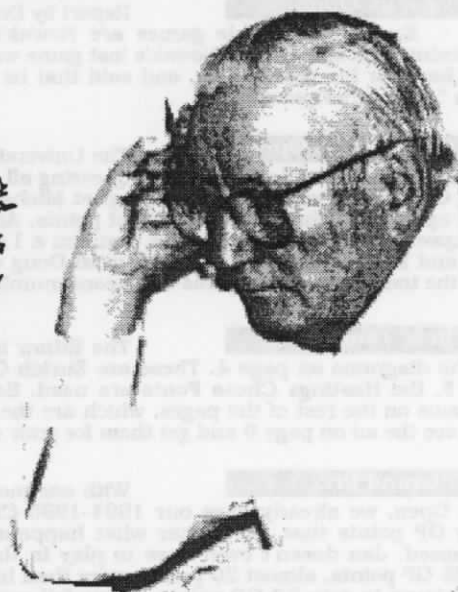
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NOWAK TAKES FIRST AT CROCUS OPEN

BRENNAN, GODINEZ & LONG TIE AT ECLIPSE



*William M. Lynch*



*John C. Thompson*



CELEBRATES **MCA** EXCELLENCE

# What's New

## Corrigendum:

The editor forgot to average four tied scores in the MCA Grand Prix spreadsheet in the last issue (Jan., Feb., 1995) of *MCN*. The corrections have been made under the Five-Valleys Freeze-Out file. The names affected are Skovron, Amundson, Erickson and McCourt. Since these four players shared the same positive final score, they each get the same number of GP points (the four separate place awards, summed, and divided by four).

Just in case any among you are wondering why the editor doesn't publish a regular column, correcting errata in every issue (he feels so much more comfortable discussing this issue in the third person), the answer is simple: It would take up too much space!

## Business Agenda:

The items up for discussion in the Business Meeting this May have been compiled from submissions from those members who chose to alert the membership in advance what their concerns are. The entire membership was invited to participate in the formation of the agenda. Gratitude must be extended to those who took an active part in the planning stage of this Business Meeting, for their concerns will, in all likelihood, reflect the concerns of some of the other members who will be present at the meeting in May. Many thanks also to Bill McBroom, who alerted the membership to the pragmatism of prepublished agenda. The following items are scheduled for discussion. 1) Romie Carpenter proposes that we go back to a six-person round-robin format for the State Closed. 2) Sherwood Moore proposes that we have our annual postal tournament games rated by USCF. 3) Sherwood also proposes that MCA adopt an annual meritorious award, a player-of-the-year type thing. 4) Jim Skovron proposes that the MCA Speed & Action Champions be given free entry into the next year's event. This would be in keeping with MCA's policy that the overall State Champion gets free entry to the State Open. 5) Skovron also proposes that MCA adopt an extra family member membership fee of \$2, where there would be just one (1) newsletter sent to that address. 6) Another Jim Skovron idea: Rotate through the major cities annually to advertise MCA in the newspapers with the USCF subsidy, since we can't afford to get them all every year. 7) Les Brennan suggests upping the State Open entrance fee to \$20 (advance), \$25 at the door.

These items will be discussed in addition to the usual business of where to hold next year's State Open, who will be MCA officers, the treasurer's report, and an awards presentation. The time and place of the ten-person State Closed will be announced at this time. Then, if time allows, other discussions may take place.

## Fool's Paradise Open:

When Jan Johansson realized that he was the highest rated player, he made himself comfortable at board #1 and welcomed all comers to try and make him move. That never happened. Jan won all his games in both the main event and the speed chess event Saturday night! He submitted a couple of annotated games from the event, so, if you want his number, study his notes (as with most annotations, though, the reader must understand that Jan is not going to tell us everything there is to know about his game strategy. If Jan were to share all of his bibliocryptoanalyses [secrets that you won't find in print], he would possibly lose that winning edge). Jan won enough Grand Prix points in Big Timber to secure the 1994-1995 GP title with a Grand Prix event yet to happen (see below).

Eriel Mayer is establishing himself a force to be reckoned with. Just ask Bob Phillips! Bob gave Eriel thirty two of his rating points in round one (see inset at right). Eriel won the Biggest Upset trophy and the Best D/E Trophy. David Duke won the Best B trophy and came in clear third with 3 points. Travis Bridges won the Best C trophy. Romie Carpenter came in clear second with 3.5 points.

Ask the players. The staff of The Grand Hotel were so very doting, making sure the tournament room had fresh water, coffee and rolls at all times. For service with a smile, you can't beat The Grand. Hopefully, we will see an annual scheduling of chess at this fine location.

## Crocus Open:

Report by Don Gisselbeck.

Especially notable games are Nowak's last two. [ Editor's note: Because of time constraints and space, only Nowak's last game was chosen for publication ] He [ Nowak ] had to work hard for his rent money, and said that he might not have won against Jensen if he had taken "...the other pawn".

## Annular Eclipse Open:

The University Chess Club of Bozeman hosted a G/1 Swiss tournament on Saturday, April 29, squeezing all five rounds in one day. The Big Story here was Doug Godinez! In round one, Doug upset Michael Long, for 332 upset points. In round three, Doug upset Jan Schnee, for 287 upset points. And, in round four, Doug upset David Duke, for 354 upset points. His performance won him a 1/3 split of the top \$, which also went to Michael Long and Les Brennan. Any guesses what Doug was doing while recovering from knee surgery? After the tournament, Doug was overheard mumbling something about "veni, vidi, vici" !?

## Chess Diagrams:

The Editor is experimenting with alternative fonts. Check out the diagrams on page 4. These are Zurich Chess Fonts from Alpine Electronics. Then, on page 5, the Hastings Chess Fonts are used. See if you like one or the other more than the diagrams on the rest of the pages, which are the Linares Chess Font - also Alpine's handiwork. Also, see the ad on page 9 and get them for your computer! They're easy to use and inexpensive.

## Grand Prix:

With one more MCA Grand Prix event yet to take place, the State Open, we already have our 1994-1995 Champion, Jan Johansson. Jan has earned so many GP points that, no matter what happens in the upcoming State Open, he cannot be surpassed. Jan doesn't even have to play in the State Open to maintain his lead. Jan has 45,636 GP points, almost 20 points more than his closest contender Romie Carpenter. In order for a player to gain 20 GP points in one fell swoop, the event would have to have an average player rating of 3000! That is the average! The State Open will probably have an average player rating of around 1650.

# 486!

Move over Paul Arnot!  
Eriel Mayer has taken the  
lead in the Biggest-Upset  
dept. by beating  
Bob Phillips at the  
Fool's Paradise Open  
in Big Timber  
for 486 Upset Points!!  
This could very well be

THE  
MCA UPSET OF THE YEAR  
1995!

## Jan Johansson



1994-1995  
MCA  
Grand  
Prix  
Champion

**UCCC 3RD WINTER OPEN 2/9,16,23/95**

	NAME	RTG	R1	R2	R3	TOT
1	Carpenter, Romie	1800	W 7	W 2	W 3	3
2	McBroom, William	1698	W 8	L 1	W 6	2
3	Rayburn, John	1489	BYE	W 7	L 1	2
4	Jensen, J. Michael	2009	U--	U--	W 8	1
5	Erickson, Ron	1714	U--	X 6	U--	1
6	Tillotson, Donald	1595	W 9	F 5	L 2	1
7	Gross, Dale	1215	L 1	L 3	W 9	1
8	Cain, Ryan	1174	L 2	X 9	L 4	1
9	Randolph, Tony	1135	L 6	F 8	L 7	0

**FOOL'S PARADISE OPEN 4/1,2/95**

	NAME	RTG	1	2	3	4	TOT
1	Johansson	2117	W 9	W 3	W 6	W 4	4
2	Carpenter	1800	W13	W10	D 4	W11	3.5
3	Duke	1765	W14	L 1	W 7	W12	3
4	Z. Mayer	2046	W12	W 8	D 2	L 1	2.5
5	Kuba	1958	W17	D 7	L11	W15	2.5
6	J. Skovron	1839	X18	W19	L 1	D 9	2.5
7	Brennan	1723	W20	D 5	L 3	W18	2.5
8	Long	1700	W21	L 4	W18	D10	2.5
9	Moore	1686	L 1	W16	W13	D 6	2.5
10	E. Mayer	1382	W15	L 2	W19	D 8	2.5
11	Thompson	2100	D16	D15	W 5	L 2	2
12	Bridges	1423	L 4	W21	W14	L 3	2
13	Polcari	1372	L 2	W17	L 9	W19	2
14	Fitzpatrick	1321	L 3	BYE	L12	W20	2
15	Phillips	1868	L10	D11	W16	L 5	1.5
16	Martin	1654	D11	L 9	L15	W21	1.5
17	Kennedy	1400	L 5	L13	BYE	U--	1
18	Godinez	1383	F 6	W20	L 8	L 7	1
19	Doulas	1188	BYE	L 6	L10	L13	1
20	McNeil	UNR	L 7	L18	W21	L14	1
21	D. Skovron	UNR	L 8	L12	L20	L16	0

**UCCC 1ST SPRING OPEN 3/8,16,23/95**

	NAME	RTG	R1	R2	R3	R4	TOT
1	Romie Carpenter	1800	X	1	0.5	1	2.5
2	Michael Jensen	2009	0	X	0.5	1	1.5
3	Daniel McCourt	1770	0.5	0.5	X	0.5	1.5
4	Bill McBroom	1698	0	0	0.5	X	0.5
	NAME	RTG	R1	R2	R3	R4	TOT
1	Donald Tillotson	1595	X	1	1	1	3
2	Dale Gross	1224	0	X	1	1	2
3	Ryan Cain	1212	0	0	X	1	1
4	Tony Randolph	1119	0	0	0	X	0

**CROCUS OPEN 4/22,23/95**

	NAME	RTG	1	2	3	4	TOT
1	G. Nowak	2211	W 8	W11	W 4	W 3	4
2	S. Fabian	1777	W14	W 7	D 3	W 5	3.5
3	M. Jensen	1969	W 9	W 6	D 2	L 1	2.5
4	R. Phillips	1868	W16	W12	L 1	D 7	2.5
5	R. Carpenter	1800	D13	W 9	W11	L 2	2.5
6	D. Drake	1727	W19	L 3	W12	D 8	2.5
7	S. Moore	1686	W10	L 2	W17	D 4	2.5
8	W. McBroom	1617	L 1	W13	W10	D 6	2.5
9	B. Bodie	1607	L 3	L 5	W19	W17	2
10	J. Younker	1105	L 7	W18	L 8	W16	2
11	D. McCourt	1754	W20	L 1	L 5	D14	1.5
12	G. Younker	1653	W18	L 4	L 6	D13	1.5
13	R. Joki	1394	D 5	L 8	D16	D12	1.5
14	P. Kirlin	1364	L 2	L17	W18	D11	1.5
15	R. Erickson	1712	W17	U--	U--	U--	1
16	J. Rayburn	1488	L 4	D19	D13	L10	1
17	C. Jacobs	1201	L15	W13	L 7	L 9	1
18	R. Hersrud	1076	L12	L10	L14	W19	1
19	D. Griffin	1213	L 6	D16	L 9	L18	0.5
20	L. Petersen	1364	L11	U--	U--	U--	0

**ANNULAR ECLIPSE OPEN 4/29/95**

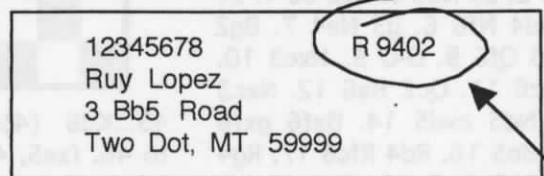
	NAME	RTG	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	TOT
1	Long	1743	L 3	W 8	D 7	W 2	W 6	3.5
2	Brennan	1723	W 8	W 9	D 6	L 1	W 3	3.5
3	Godinez	1411	W 1	H--	W 4	W 6	L 2	3.5
4	Schnee	1698	W 5	L 6	L 3	W 7	W 9	3
5	Amundson	1223	L 4	L 7	B--	W 9	W 8	3
6	Duke	1765	W 7	W 4	D 2	L 3	L 1	2.5
7	Scarff	1600	L 6	W 5	D 1	L 4	B--	2.5
8	Price	1337	L 2	L 1	W 9	B--	L 5	2
9	Suriano	1116	B--	L 2	L 8	L 5	L 4	1

**WESTERN MT BOOKWORM G/15 3/11/95**

No Report

**MAY EVE QUICK OPEN G/15 4/30/95**

Canceled due to low (2) attendance. The weather was most likely a factor. Instead, David Duke, who was still in town from the previous day's event, and Steve Scarff squared off for a three-game match (G/30), resulting in Duke-2, Scarff-1

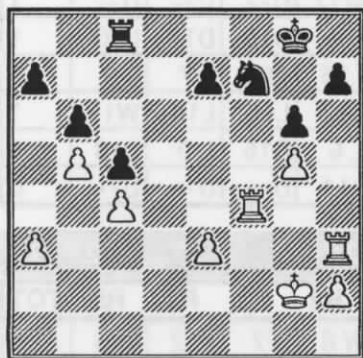


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# Recent Games

**Carpenter 1800**      **McBroom 1698**  
**UCCC 3rd Winter Open**  
 2/16/95      **Round 2**  
**English Opening**

1. c4 Nf6 2. g3 g6 3. Bg2 Bg7 4. Nc3 O-O 5. e3 d6 6. Nge2 c5 7. O-O Nbd7 8. d3 Ne8 9. Rb1 Rb8 10. a3 b6 11. b4 Bb7 12. e4 f5 13. Be3 fe4 14. Ne4 Nef6 15. Ng5 Ng4 16. Nf4 Ne3 17. fe3 Rf4 18. gf4 Bg2 19. Kg2 Qc8 20. Qg4 Nf6 21. Qc8 Rc8 22. Rf3 Bh6 23. Rbf1 d5 24. Rh3 Bg5 25. fg5 Ng4 26. b5 dc4 27. dc4 Ne5 28. Rf4 Nf7



29. Rxh7! Nxf5 30. Rxe7 Rd8 31. h4 Nh7 32. Rff7 Nf8 33. Rxa7 Rd3 34. Kf3 Rc3 35. Rg7+ Kh8 36. Rgb7 Rxc4 37. Rb8! Kg8 38. Raa8 Rh4 39. Rxf8+ Kg7 40. Rf4 Rh1 41. Ra7+ Kh6 42. Ra6 g5 43. Rxb6+ Kh5 44. Rff6 g4+ 45. Kg2 Ra1 46. Rbc6 Kg5 47. b6 Ra3 48. b7 Rb3 49. Rf7 c4 50. Rc4 Kg6 51. Re7 g3 52. Rc8 **Black resigns.**

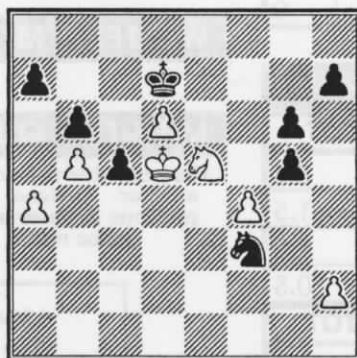
**Rayburn 1489**      **Gross 1215**  
**UCCC 3rd Winter Open**  
 2/16/95      **Round 2**  
**Nimzowitsch Attack**

1. Nf3 c5 2. b3 Nc6 3. Bb2 e6 4. d4 cd4 5. Nd4 Nf6 6. g3 Ne4 7. Bg2 Bb4 8. c3 Qf6 9. O-O 9...Nxc3 10. Nxc6! bxc6 11. Qc2 Ba6 12. Nxc3 O-O 13. Nd5 cxd5 14. Bxf6 gxf6 15. Rfd1 Bb5 16. Rd4 Rfc8 17. Rg4 Kf8 18. Qh7 Bc3 19. Rc1 f5 20. Rg7?? Bg7 21. Rc8 Rc8 22. h4 Be2 23. h5 Bf6 24. Qh6 Ke7 25. Qe3 Bh5

26. Bd5 Rc3 27. Qe1 Rd3 28. Qb4 Ke8 29. Bg2 Bd4 30. Qb8 Ke7 31. Qf4 Bg4 32. Kh2 Rd1 33. Bh3 Bh3 34. Kh3 Rf1 35. Qd4 d6 36. Qa7 Kf6 37. Qd4 Ke7 38. a4 e5 39. Qh4 f6 40. Kg2 Rb1 41. Qc4 Rd1 42. a5 e4 43. a6 d5 44. Qc7 Ke6 45. a7 Ra1 46. Qc8 Ke5 47. a8=Q Ra8 48. Qa8 d4 49. Qa5 Ke6 50. Qb6 Ke5 51. Qc5 Ke6 52. Qd4 Kf7 53. b4 Kg6 54. b5 Kg5 55. b6 f4 56. Qe4 fg3 57. fg3 f5 58. Qf4 Kh5 59. b7 Kg6 60. b8=Q Kh5 61. Qh8 Kg6 62. Qd6 Kg5 63. Qh4 **Mate.**

**Carpenter 1800**      **Jensen 2009**  
**UCCC 1st Spring Open**  
 3/23/95      **Round 3**  
**English Opening**

1. c4 e6 2. Nf3 d5 3. d4 c6 4. Qc2 Nf6 5. g3 Nbd7 6. Bg2 Be7 7. O-O O-O 8. Nbd2 b6 9. b3 Bb7 10. Bb2 c5 11. Rac1 Rc8 12. Qb1 Re8 13. Rfe1 Bd6 14. e3 e5 15. de5 Ne5 16. cd5 Bd5 17. Ne5 Be5 18. Nc4 Bb2 19. Qb2 Bg2 20. Kg2 Qd5 21. f3 Rcd8 22. Qc2 Qd3 23. Kf2 Rd5 24. Qd3 Rd3 25. Red1 Red8 26. Rd3 Rd3 27. Ke2 Rd5 28. a4 Kf8 29. e4 Rd8 30. Ne5 Rc8 31. Rd1 Ke7 32. Nc4 Ne8 33. Rd3 f6 34. f4 Rc6 35. Ke3 Nc7 36. e5 Ne6 37. Rd6 Rd6 38. ed6 Kd7 39. Ke4 Nd4 40. b4! Nc2 41. b5 Nd4 42. g4 g6 43. Kd5 Nf3 44. g5 fg5 45. Ne5+!!



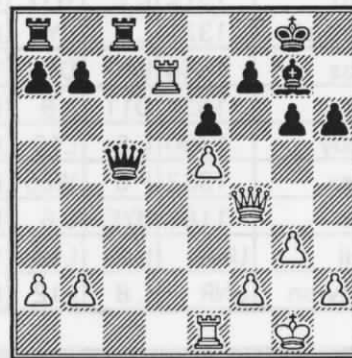
45...Kd8 (45...Nxe5 loses anyway to 46. fxe5, 47. e6+ and 48. Kc6) 46. Nxf3 gxf4 47. Ne5 h6 48. Ke6 c4 49. Nf7+ Kc8 50. d7+ **Black resigns.**

**Tillotson 1595**      **Gross 1224**  
**UCCC 1st Spring Open**  
 3/23/95      **Round 3**  
**Sicilian Defense**

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. g3 g6 4. Bg2 Bg7 5. O-O Nf6 6. Re1 O-O 7. c3 d6 8. d3 Bg4 9. Bg5 Ne5 10. d4 Nf3 11. Bf3 Bf3 12. Qf3 cd4 13. cd4 h6 14. Bf6 Bf6 15. e5 dxe5 16. dxe5



16...Qa5! 17. Qe3 Bg7 18. Nd2 e6 19. Nb3 Qb4 20. Rad1 Qe7 21. Nc5 Rfc8 22. Rd7 Qc5 23. Qf4



23...Rc7?? 24. Qxf7+ Kh8 25. Qxg7++ **Mate.**

**Phillips 1868**      **E. Mayer 1382**  
**Fool's Paradise Open**  
 4/1/95      **Round 1**  
**Ruy Lopez**  
 Annotations by Bob Phillips

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. Bb5 a6 4. Ba4 Nf6 5. O-O b5 6. Bb3 Bc5 7. Re1 d6 8. c3 O-O 9. d4 Ba7 (better is 9...Bb6) 10. h3

Phillips - E. Mayer cont.

Qe7 11. Bg5 b4 12. Qd3 a5  
13. Nbd2 Nd8 14. Nf1 Ne6  
15. Be3 ed4 16. cd4 Bb7 17.  
Ng3 Rfe8



18. Bc2!? (threatening 19. e5  
dxe5 20. dxe5 Nd7 21. Qxh7+ Kf8  
22. Qh8 Mate) 18...Rad8! 19.  
Nf5 Qd7 20. d5



20...Bxe3 21. Rxe3

Editor's note: ChessMaster 3000  
points out that 21. dxe6! wins a  
piece for two pawns.

21...Nc5 22. Qd4 c6 23. e5  
Nd5 24. ed6 Ne6 25. Qh4  
Nxe3



And now, instead of 26. Ne7+??,  
White should have played 26. fxe3!  
The threat of 27. Ne5 is deadly.  
Note A:

After 26...h6? 27. Ne5 Qc8 28.  
Nxb6+ gxh6 29. Qxh6+ Black is  
defenseless. If 26...g6? 27. Ne5  
Qc8 28. Nh6+ Kg7 29. Nxf7 &  
White wins (29...Rd7?! 30. Qh6  
Kg8 31. Bxg6! hxg6 32. Qh8 Mate)  
Note B:

After 26...f6!? (probably best) 27.  
Ne7+ Kf7 28. Ne5+! fxe5 29. Rf1+  
Nf4 (the only move) 30. exf4 wins,  
e.g. 30...Ba6?! 31. Bb3+ Kf8 32.  
Rf2 Rxe7 (what else?) 33. dxe7+  
Qxe7 34. fxe5+ Ke8 35. Qxh7  
(36. Qg6+ Kd7 37. Rf7 is  
threatened) 35...Qxe5? 36. Qg6+  
Kd7 37. Rf7+ Kc8 38. Qxc6+ Kb8  
39. Qb6+ Kc8 40. Qxa6+ Kb8 41.  
Qb7 Mate.

26. Ne7+ Kf8 27. Qxh7 Qxd6  
28. Ng6+ fxg6 29. fxe3 Ke7  
30. Qxg6 Qc5 31. Nd4 Kd7  
32. Rd1 Nxd4 33. Rxd4+ Kc7  
34. Qxd7+ Kb6 35. Qf6 Rxd4  
36. Qxd4 Qxd4 37. exd4 Re2  
38. Bb3 Rxb2 39. g4 Bc8 40.  
Bf7 a4 41. g5 b3 42. axb3 a3!  
White resigns

Perhaps others can find  
improvements for Black after 25.  
Qh4, but I suspect the White attack  
is conclusive.

Eriel played a fine game.  
After 25...Nxe3, I allowed the clock  
to pressure my calculations.  
Although disappointed with the loss,  
analysis of the possibilities  
provided literally hours of  
fascination for me. Another great  
tribute to the seemingly endless  
complications chess can provide (I  
claim to love such sharp tactical  
positions, but, perhaps I'm getting  
too old to figure it all out over the  
board!?).

Martin 1654 Thompson 2100  
Fool's paradise Open  
4/1/95 Round 2  
Reti Opening

1. Nf3 d5 2. c4 d4 3. g3 Nc6 4. Bg2  
e5 5. d3 Nf6 6. O-O Bd6 7. e3 O-O  
8. ed4 ed4 9. Bg5 h6 10. Bf6 Qf6

11. Nbd2 Bf5 12. Nb3 Rfe8 13. Qd2  
Bb4 14. Qd1 Rad8 15. a3 Bf8 16.  
Qd2 Bg4 17. Qf4 Qf4 18. gf4 Re2  
19. Rab1 a5 20. Rfe1 Re1 21. Re1  
a4 22. Nc1 Bd6 23. h3 Bd7 24. Ne2  
Re8 25. Kf1 Bf5 26. Nc1 Re1 27.  
Ke1 Bf4 28. Ne2 Bd6 29. Kd2 Bc5  
30. Nh4 Bh7 31. Bc6 bc6 32. Nf3  
Bf5 33. h4 Bg4 34. Ne5 Bh5 35.  
Nc6 Be2 36. Ke2 Kf8 37. Kf3  
Draw agreed.

McNeil UNR Godinez 1383  
Fool's paradise Open  
4/1/95 Round 2  
Closed Sicilian

1. e4 c5 2. Nc3 Nc6 3. Bc4 g6 4.  
Nf3 Bg7 5. O-O Nf6 6. e5 Nh5 7.  
Na4 Ne5 8. Qe2 Nc4 9. Qc4 b6 10.  
Qe4 d5 11. Qe3 O-O 12. d3 d4 13.  
Qe4 Bf5 14. Qe1 Qd7 15. Bg5 Qa4  
16. Be7 Rfe8 17. h3 Qd7 18. g4 Re7  
19. Qd1 Rae8 20. gf5 Qf5 21. Kg2  
Nf4+ 22. Kh2 QXh3+ Black  
Resigns.

Brennan 1728 Duke 1776  
Fool's paradise Open  
4/2/95 Round 3  
Sicilian Defense

1. e4 c5 2. d4 cd4 3. Nf3 e5? 4. c3  
d5 5. Ne5 dc3 6. Nc3 Nf6 7. Qa4  
Bd7 8. Nd7 Nbd7 9. Nd5 Nd5 10. ed5  
Bc5 11. Qe4 Kf8

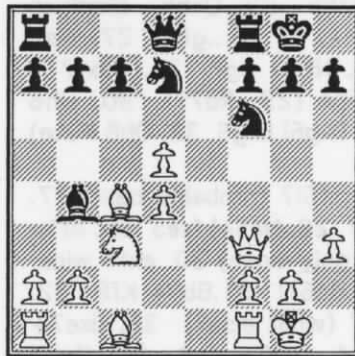


12. Be3? (Duke recommended 12.  
Be2 and White still has a game.)  
Qa5+! and White is dead! 13. Kd1  
Re8 14. Bc5 Nc5 15. Qf4 Re4 16.  
Qd2 Qa4 17. b3 Nb3 18. Qc2 Qd4  
19. Qd3 Qa1 20. Kc2 Nd4 21. Kd2  
Qe1 Mate.

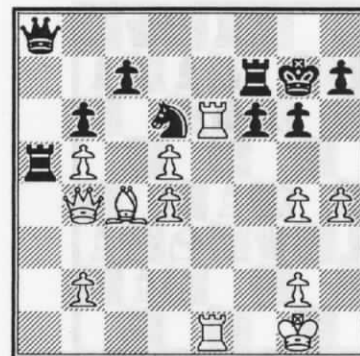
Z. Mayer 2046 Carpenter 1800  
 Fool's Paradise Open  
 4/2/95 Round 3  
 Grob's Attack

1. g4 d5 2. Bg2 c6 3. h3 e5 4. d4 Nd7 5. de5 Ne5 6. Qd4 Ng6 7. Nf3 Nf6 8. Bg5 Be7 9. Nc3 h6 10. Bd2 Qb6 11. Qb6 ab6 12. a3 b5 13. O-O O-O 14. Rfe1 Bd7 15. e4 b4 16. ab4 Ra1 17. Ra1 de4 18. Nd4 Bb4 19. Ra7 Bc3 20. Bc3 Bc8 21. Nf5 Bf5 22. gf5 Nh4 23. Bf6 Ng2 24. Kg2 gf6 25. Rb7 Rd8 26. Rc7 Rd2 27. Rc6 e3 28. Kf1 Rf2 29. Ke1 Kg7 30. b4 Rf5 31. c4 Rf2 32. b5 f5 33. Rc5 f4 34. b6 f3 35. Re5 Re2 36. Kf1  
**Draw agreed.**

5...Bd7? (5...Nbd7 6. Nc3 Be7 7. d3 O-O, etc.) 6. Bc4! Be7 7. Nc3 O-O 8. Nf3 Bg4 9. h3 Bf3 10. Qf3 Nbd7 11. d4 Bb4 12. O-O



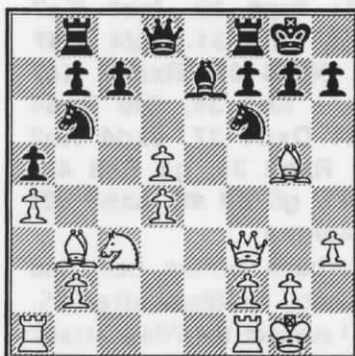
This is a turning point in the game. White has a weakness on b5, and the a-file is open. Black gets counterplay for the first time. 30...b6 31. Qb4 Ra8 32. Bc4 Ra5 33. h4 Qa8 34. Rd6?!



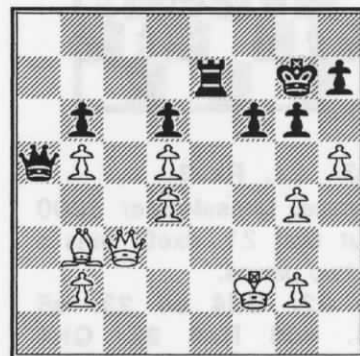
J. Skovron 1839 Moore 1686  
 Fool's Paradise Open  
 4/2/95 Round 4  
 English Opening

1. c4 c5 2. Nc3 Nc6 3. g3 g6 4. Bg2 Bg7 5. d3 Nf6 6. e4 e5 7. Bg5 h6 8. Bf6 Bf6 9. Nge2 d6 10. h3 Be6 11. O-O Qd7 12. Nd5 Bd5 13. cd5 Ne7 14. Qc2 O-O 15. a3 Rfc8 16. Rfb1 b5 17. Qd1 a5 18. a4 b4 19. b3 Kg7 20. Kh2 Rh8 21. Ng1 Rag8 22. Nf3 Kf8 23. Nd2 Nc8 24. Nc4 Bd8 25. Qe2 g5 26. Qg4 Qg4 27. hg4 h5 28. Rh1 h4 29. Kg1 Rh7 30. Rh3 Rgh8 31. Kf1 hg3 32. Rh7 Rh7 33. fg3  
**Draw agreed.**

12...Nb6 (12...Bxc3 13. bxc3 Nb6 14. Bb3 Nfxd5 15. c4 is not very inviting for Black) 13. Bb3 a5 14. a4 Rb8 15. Bg5 Be7



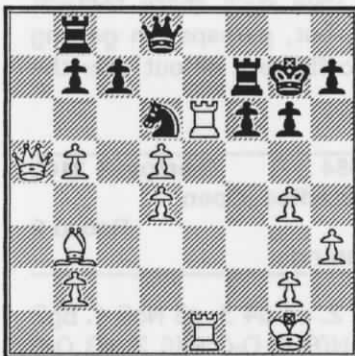
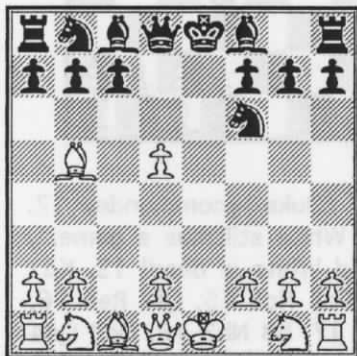
34...Ra4! (a "zwischenzug" that ruins White's plans; White expected only 34...cxd6 35. Qxd6 with an unclear situation) 35. Qc3? Up to this point White had at least a draw. After this error, Black is winning. Necessary was 35. Rd8! (the only move) Rxb4 36. Rxa8 Rxc4 with chances for both players. 35...cxd6 36. Bb3 Ra1 37. h5 Re7! 38. Ra1 Qa1 39. Kf2 Qa5!? (39...Qh1)



Z. Mayer 2046 Johansson 2117  
 Fool's Paradise Open  
 4/2/95 Round 4  
 French Defense  
 Annotations by Jan Johansson

1. e4 e6 2. c4 d5 3. ed5 ed5 4. cd5 Nf6 5. Bb5+

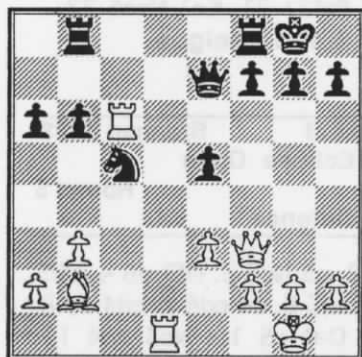
16. Bf4 (16. Rfe1? Nfxd5!) Bd6 17. Be5! Ne8 18. Rfe1 f6 19. Bg3 Bg3 20. fg3 Nd6 21. Re6 Nbc4 22. Qe2 Nb6 23. Re1 Kh8 24. Qh5 g6 25. Qf3 Rf7 26. Nb5 Nbc8 27. g4 Kg7 28. Qc3 Nb5! 29. ab5 Nd6 30. Qa5



40. Bc4? (after 40. Qxa5, Black would still have to work) Qc3 41. bc3 Rc7 42. Bd3 Rc3 43. Ke3 gh5 44. gh5 Kh6 45. g4 Kg5 46. Kd2 Rd3 47. Kd3 Kg4 48. h6 Kf3 49. Kd2 Kf2 50. Kd3 f5 51. Kd2 f4 52. Kd3 Kf3 53. Kd2 Ke4 54. Ke2 Kd4 55. Kf3 Ke5 56. Kg4 Ke4 57. Kg5 f3 58. Kf6 f2 59. Kg7 f1=Q 60. Kh7 Kd5 61. Kg7 Ke6 62. h7 d5 and White resigns.

**Erickson 1712**      **Jacobs 1201**  
**Crocus Open**  
**4/22/95**      **Round 1**  
**Nimzowitsch Attack**

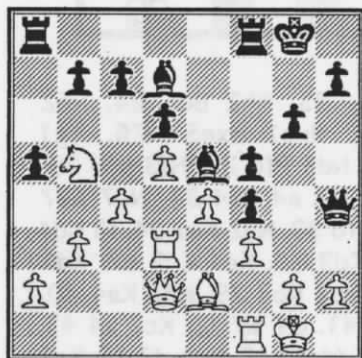
1. Nf3 c5 2. b3 Nc6 3. Bb2 e6 4. e3 Nf6 5. c4 b6 6. Be2 Be7 7. d4 d5 8. cd5 Nd5 9. Bb5 Bd7 10. O-O O-O 11. dc5 a6 12. Bc6 Bc6 13. Ne5 Bb5 14. Re1 Bc5 15. Qg4 Nf6 16. Qf3 Bd6 17. Na3 Be8 18. Nac4 Be5 19. Ne5 Bb5 20. Red1 Qc7 21. Rac1 Qe7 22. Bd4 Rab8 23. Nc6 Bc6 24. Rc6 Nd7 25. Rdc1 e5 26. Bb2 Nc5 27. Rd1



27...e4 28. Qg3 Nd3?? 29. Qxg7 **Mate.**

**Drake 1727**      **Jensen 1969**  
**Crocus Open**  
**4/22/95**      **Round 2**  
**Modern Defense**

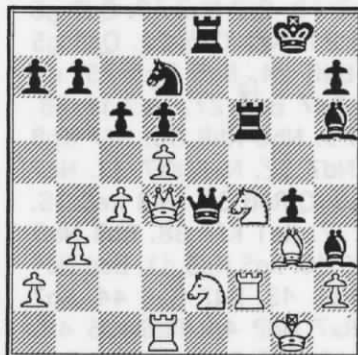
1. Nf3 g6 2. d4 Bg7 3. c4 d6 4. Nc3 Nf6 5. e4 O-O 6. Be2 Nbd7 7. O-O e5 8. d5 Nc5 9. Qc2 a5 10. b3 Nh5 11. Ne1 Nf4 12. Bf4 ef4 13. Rd1 f5 14. f3 Be5 15. Nd3 Nd3 16. Rd3 Bd7 17. Nb5 Qh4 18. Qd2



18...fxe4!! 19. fxe4 f3! 20. Bxf3 Bxh2+ **White resigns.**

**Moore 1686**      **Phillips 1868**  
**Crocus Open**  
**4/23/95**      **Round 4**  
**King's Indian Defense**

1. d4 Nf6 2. Nf3 g6 3. c4 Bg7 4. Nc3 O-O 5. e4 d6 6. Be2 e5 7. d5 Na6 8. O-O Nh5 9. Ne1 Nf4 10. Nd3 Ne2 11. Qe2 f5 12. f3 c6 13. Be3 Qe7 14. Qd2 f4 15. Bf2 g5 16. Kh1 Rf6 17. g4 fg3 18. Bg3 Bh3 19. Rf2 Bh6 20. Ne2 g4 21. f4 ef4 22. Ndf4 Qe4 23. Kg1 Raf8 24. b3 Nc5 25. Re1 Re8 26. Rd1 Nd7 27. Qd4



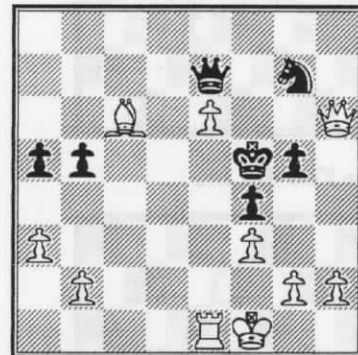
27...Bxf4 28. Qxe4 Rxe4 29. Nxf4 cxd5 30. Nxd5 Rfe6 31. Rfd2 Ne5 32. Kf2 Nf3 33. Nf4 Nxd2 34. Nxe6 Rxe6 35. Rxd2 Rf6+ 36. Ke2 Re6+ 37. Kf2 Rf6+ 38. Ke2 Re6+ **Draw.**

**McCourt 1754**      **Kirilin 1364**  
**Crocus Open**  
**4/23/95**      **Round 4**  
**Hungarian Defense**

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. Bc4 d6 4. c3 Bg4 5. d3 h6 6. Nbd2 Qd7 7. a3 a5 8. Bb5 Nf6 9. Qc2 g5 10. d4 Bf3 11. Nf3 ed4 12. Nd4 Bg7 13. Nf5 O-O 14. O-O Rfe8 15. Ng7 Kg7 16. Re1 Re5 17. Bd3 Nh5 18. f3 f5 19. Qf2 f4 20. Bd2 Rae8



21. c4! Nb8 22. Bc3 c5 23. Bxe5 Rxe5 24. Bc2 b6 25. Rad1 Kf7 26. Rd2 Nf6 27. Red1 Ne8 28. Rd5 Kf6 29. R1d3 Na6 30. Qd2 Ke6 31. Re5 Ke5 32. Rd5 Ke6 33. e5 Nac7 34. Rd3 d5 35. cd5 Nd5 36. Bb3 Nc7 37. Qe2 Qc6 38. Qe4 c4 39. Bc4 Qc5 40. Kf1 b5 41. Bb3 Qc1 42. Rd1 Qc5 43. Re1 Qf8 44. Qg6 Ke7 45. Qd6 Ke8 46. Bd5 Qe7 47. Bc6 Kf7 48. Qh6 Ne6 49. Qh7 Ng7 50. e6 Kf6 51. Qh6 Kf5



**Now, with about 3 minutes left on White's clock...**

52. Re5+?? (52. Be4+ Ke5 53. Rd1, followed by 54. Rd5+) Kxe5 53. Qg6 Ne6 54. Qe4+ Kf6 55. Bxb5 Qc5 56. Bd3 Qc1 57. Kf2 Qb2 58. Bc2 Qd4 59. Qd4 Nd4 60. Be4 Ke5 61. Ke1 Nb5 62. a4 Nc3 63. Bc6 Kd6 64. Be8 Kc5 65. Kd2 Kb4 66. Kc2 Na4 67. Ba4 Ka4 68. Kc3 Ka3 69. g3 fg3 70. hg3 a4 71. f4 gf4 72. gf4 Ka2 73. Kc2 a3 74. f5 Ka1 75. f6 a2 76. f7 **Stalemate.**

**Nowak 2211**      **Jensen 1969**  
**Crocus Open**  
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**Benko Opening**

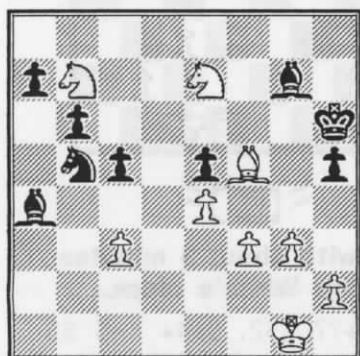
1. g3 d5 2. Nf3 Nf6 3. Bg2 c6 4. O-O g6 5. b3 Bg7 6. Bb2 O-O 7. c4 e6 8. Na3 b6 9. b4 Nbd7 10. Qc2 Bb7 11. e3 Qe7 12. Bc3 e5 13. Rab1 Rfe8 14. cd5 Nd5 15. e4 Nc3 16. dc3 c5 17. b5 Rac8 18. Nc4 Nf8 19. Rfd1 Red8 20. a4 Qe6 21. Qe2 h6 22. Nfd2 Rd7 23. Nf1 Rcd8 24. Nfe3 Nh7 25. Qf1 Rd1 26. Rd1 Qe7 27. Rd3 Nf6 28. Qd1 Rd3 29. Qd3 Kh7

Nowak - Jensen cont.

30. f3 Bc8 31. Qd6 Qd6 32. Nd6 Be6 33. Nb7 Bb3 34. Bf1 h5 35. Bc4 Ba4 36. Nd5 Ne8 37. Ne7 Nc7 38. Bxf7 Nxb5



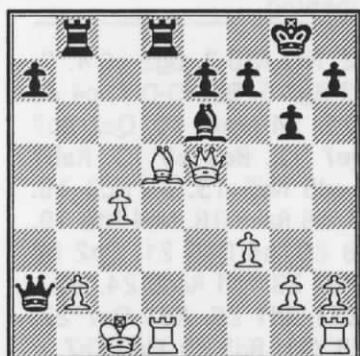
39. Bxg6+ Kh6 40. Bf5



40...Nc3 41. Ng8+ Kg5 42. h4 Mate.

Long 1743 Godinez 1411  
Annular Eclipse Open  
4/29/95 Round 1  
Sicilian Defense

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. d4 cd4 4. Nd4 g6 5. Be3 Bg7 6. f3 Nf6 7. Nc3 O-O 8. Qd2 d5 9. ed5 Nd5 10. Nc6 bc6 11. O-O-O Be6 12. Bd4 Bd4 13. Qd4 Rb8 14. Bc4 Qa5 15. Nd5 cd5 16. Bd5 Rfd8 17. c4 Qxa2 18. Qe5



18... Bxd5 19. cxd5 Rdc8+ 20. Kd2 Rxb2+ 21. Ke1 Rcc2 **White resigns.**

Godinez 1411 Schnee 1698  
Annular Eclipse Open  
4/29/95 Round 3  
Ruy Lopez

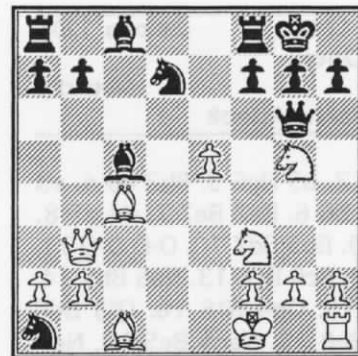
1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. Bb5 d6 4. O-O a6 5. Ba4 b5 6. Bb3 Nf6 7. c3 Ne4 8. d4 Na5 9. Bc2 Nf6 10. h3 e4 11. Re1 d5 12. Nbd2 Bd6 13. Ng5 O-O 14. f3 h6 15. Nge4 de4 16. fe4 Nh7 17. e5 Be7 18. Qf3 Bb7 19. Qd3 g6 20. e6 f5 21. Nf1 Qd5 22. Qg3 g5 23. Re5 Bd6 24. Rd5 Bg3 25. e7 Rfe8 26. Rd7 Bd6 27. Ne3 f4 28. Nf5 Nf6 29. Nh6 Kh8 30. Nf7 Kg8 31. Nd6 Nd7 32. Ne8 Kf7 33. Nc7 Rc8 34. e8=Q Re8 35. Ne8 Ke8 36. Bd2 Nc4 37. Re1 Kf7 38. Bb3 Nb6 39. h4 Kf6 40. hg5 Kg5 41. Bc4 Nc4 42. Re7 Bd5 43. Rd7 Be6 44. Rg7 Kf6 45. Ra7 Nd2 46. Ra6 Kf5 47. Ra5 Ke4 48. Rb5 Ba2 49. Ra5 Bd5 50. b4 Kd3 51. Rd5 Kc3 52. b5 Nc4 53. Rd8 Kb4 54. Rb8 Ka5 55. d5 Nd6 56. Kf2 Nb5 57. Rb5 Kb5 58. Kf3 Kc5 59. Kf4 Kd5 60. Kf5 Kd6 61. Kf6 Kd7 62. Kf7 **Black resigns.**

Duke 1765 Godinez 1411  
Annular Eclipse Open  
4/29/95 Round 4  
English Opening

1. c4 Nf6 2. Nc3 e6 3. e4 d5 4. e5 Nfd7 5. d4 c5 6. cd5 ed5 7. Nf3 Nc6 8. dc5 Bc5 9. Qd5 Nb4 10. Qb3 Qb6 11. Ne4 O-O 12. Bc4 Qg6



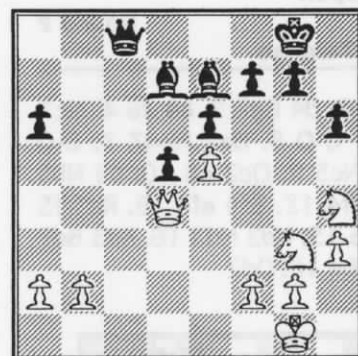
13. Neg5? Nc2+ 14. Kf1 Nxa1



15. Bd3? Nxb3 16. Bxg6 Nxc1 17. Bxh7+ Kh8 18. h4 f6 19. Bg6 fxg5 20. Nxc5 Rxf2+ 21. Ke1 Nxe5 22. Be4 Bg4 **White resigns.**

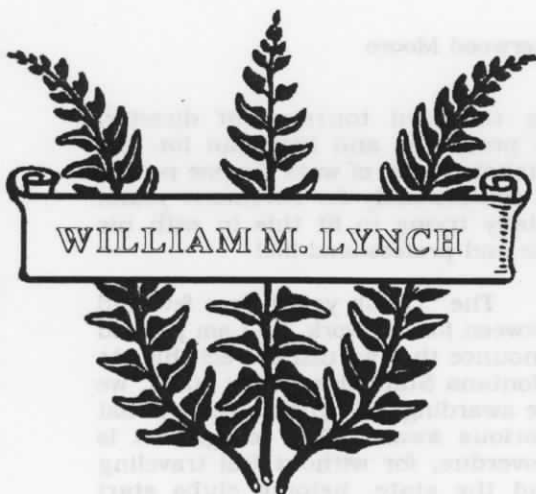
Godinez 1411 Brennan 1723  
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4/29/95 Round 5  
Sicilian Defense

1. e4 c5 2. c3 Nc6 3. Nf3 d6 4. Bb5 a6 5. Bc6 bc6 6. d4 cd4 7. cd4 d5 8. e5 e6 9. O-O c5 10. Nc3 cd4 11. Qd4 Ne7 12. Bg5 Qc7 13. Rac1 Qb7 14. Rc2 Bd7 15. Rfc1 Rc8 16. Nh4 h6 17. Be7 Be7 18. Ne2 O-O 19. Ng3 Rc2 20. Rc2 Rc8 21. Rc8 Qc8 22. h3



22...Qc1+ 23. Kh2 Bc5 24. Ne2 Bxd4 25. Nxc1 Bxe5+ 26. Kg1 Bxb2 27. Nd3 Bf6 28. Nf3 Kf8 29. Nc5 Bb5 30. a4 Bc4 31. Nd7 Ke7 32. Nf6 Kf6 33. Nd2 Ke5 34. f3 Kd4 35. Kf2 Kd3 36. Ke1 Kc3 37. Kd1 Bb3 38. Nb3 Kb3 39. Kd2 Ka4 40. Kc3 Ka3 41. g4 a5 42. Kc2 a4 43. h4 d4 44. f4 d3 45. Kc1 d2 46. Kc2 d1=Q 47. Kd1 Kb2 48. f5 ef5 49. gf5 a3 50. f6 g6 51. h5 g5 **White resigns.**





### MCA SAYS THANK YOU

Tournament chess players in Montana pay tribute to two friends who, through their singular efforts, have been the very life-blood of chess in Montana for many years. It is with deep appreciation that the Montana Chess Association membership has chosen to present these two gentlemen with tokens of recognition. The impetus of their work continues to be the engine of growth in Montana chess. We thank you.  
- *Montana Chess Association*



As has been the case for many, many years, when one thinks of the Montana Chess Association, one thinks of Bill Lynch. the reason for this is that Bill does what not many others are willing to do, namely, serve others. MCA's organizational improvements made over the last twenty-or-so years have been accomplished through the efforts of those who realized that "someone has to do it", and Bill has always been in the forefront of involvement.

It was Bill Lynch who saw the need for *Montana Chess News*, and he filled that need. Bill supplied MCA with newsletters for SEVENTEEN YEARS! The first issue was produced in September, 1976, and Bill kept them coming until February, 1993. This he did with a typewriter, punching in every move with up to ten or eleven characters per move. For instance, the common move 4. KN x BP+ takes eleven finger pecks on a typewriter, and that's just half of a move, so a forty-move game could take up to eight hundred pecks to crank out. Then, diagram transfers and piece transfers had to be carefully positioned, one piece at a time. This was a lot of work, for just one game!

But each peck of his finger was for the joy of the members. Certainly he was told from time to time how much the product of his labors was appreciated. But if not, he will now know, because the Montana Chess Association's members want it to be known officially, and for all time, that they appreciate all that he has done for them. The plaque to be presented to Bill at the State Open will be inscribed with wording to that effect.

Bill Lynch loves chess, and he is good at it. He was Montana's Co-Champion in 1978, and held the title exclusively for 1984 and 1985. Bill also holds the 1989-1990 Montana Postal Chess Championship title.

It was not long after winning the latter title that Bill's secular responsibilities began requiring more time, and the zero-sum effect started stealing from his chess. And he has been laying low, but still finds himself being consulted on organizational issues and policy. Bill's keen savvy for organization is a resource MCA will continue to need to tap. MCA holds deep appreciation for Bill's work in preserving organizational cohesion throughout the years.

Bill Lynch will, no doubt, be seen from time to time at this tournament or that one, and if you are relatively new in this game, or new to the state, and have not met him yet, introduce yourself if you get the opportunity. Get to know him. He's a nice guy, too!

Bill Lynch cont. - p.10



John C. Thompson began to play chess seriously when, in 1930, he read Nimzovich's *My System*. That year, John won the Dallas City Championship.

In 1935 John formed the Texas Chess Association (TCA) and conducted TCA's main tournament, the S.W. Open. In 1935 the tournament was called the Texas Championship, and later, when players from all over the region were competing, the tournament was called the S.W. Open. John played in the first 16 tournaments. Of those 16, he won 1st place 7 times, 2nd place 7 times, 3rd place once, and 4th place once.

John would have continued to play in Texas, however his employer, Mobil Oil Co., transferred him to Canada and later to Billings.

#### Chess accomplishments:

From 1935-38, John ran a chess column in the Dallas Journal, the afternoon *Dallas Paper*. The column came out every Monday and an extra copy was sent to all the Texas chess clubs.

In 1939, John ran a chess column in the rival *Dallas Times Herald*. A successful column, John ran a competition where he would show end-game problems and readers would send in the solutions. Every 5 weeks the reader with the most correct solutions would win a subscription to *Chess News* written by Al Horowitz. John got Horowitz to provide him with subscriptions at 1/2 price. This column generated a large amount of interest. The column generated so much interest that the *Dallas Journal* offered John money to come back and write a chess column.

In 1939, John conducted a Blindfold Chess exhibition. He played against 14 players. John won 10, drew 3, and lost 1. John believes this feat remains a Texas record.

In 1940, John brought the U.S. Open to Dallas. Players were divided into 3 groups of 9. In John's group was Reuben Fine, who, at the time was one of top players in the world (John says Reuben was 2nd or 3rd in the world). In their individual game, John drew with Reuben. John and Reuben tied for 1st in their group and progressed to the championship group where Reuben came in first and John placed 5th.

In 1942, World War II started with an accompanying paper shortage which ended John's column.

In 1942, the U.S. Championship came to Dallas. In his individual game with Al Horowitz, John got a draw

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# What was with Bill?

by Sherwood Moore

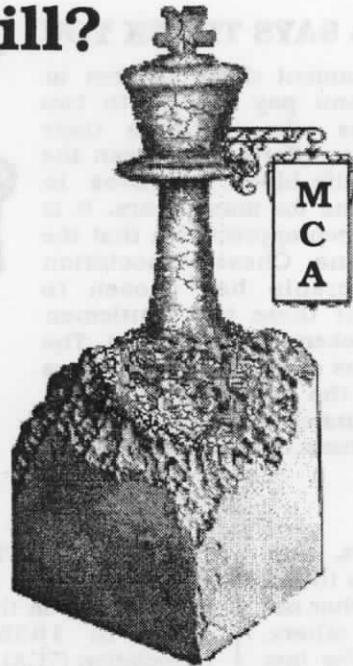
The first two years I played chess, none of my games were printed in *MCN*. What was with Bill? Couldn't he see that all my games were great and deserved to be published?

Of course, I later realized that my games had as much beauty as Gallagher and his sledge-o-matic. Usually I was the watermelon.

The next two years Bill started printing some of my games - losses! All losses! What was with Bill? Couldn't he see that these games didn't deserve to be published? Where were my wins?

In retrospect, my wins were of the sledge-o-matic category. My losses were at least interesting.

For seventeen years, Bill Lynch was Secretary-Treasurer of the Montana Chess Association. He was also the editor and publisher of *Montana Chess News*. Other



**"...the solid base that he built."**

duties included tournament director, chess promoter, and historian for our Association - a lot of work for one person to do continuously for seventeen years, especially trying to fit this in with his private and professional life!

The "Thank you"s were few and far between for his work. So I am pleased to announce that we can correct this. At the Montana State Open, May 20,21, we will be awarding Bill Lynch a very special meritorious award. This recognition is long overdue, for without Bill traveling around the state, helping clubs start tournaments, safeguarding our funds, etc., we would not be on the solid base that he built. We are all in your debt, Bill. Thank you for all your work!

P.S. I still wish you had printed more of my WINS.

# Thompson

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and ended up in 4th place at the end of the tournament.

Among his chess accomplishments, John is proud to be the person most responsible for the use of the Swiss system world wide. Before 1942, the S.W. Open had used the "Holland" system, where players formed groups and played a round robin with the players in the group. Winners would proceed on to a championship round robin. Under this system, players would play 15 games in 3 days.

In 1942, George Koltanowski came to the S.W. Open, and along with John, conducted the tournament using the Swiss system. In the first Book on the Rules of Chess (1st official rule book printed by the USCF), John is given credit for the Swiss system.

In 1947, John was a V.P. of the USCF. In 1947 John brought the U.S. Open to Corpus Christi, TX. Koltanowski was the director. 87 players attended - the largest U.S. tournament to that date (a 14 round Swiss). John did not play in this tournament because he was the V.P. of the USCF.

Before the start of the tournament, John learned that Whitaker was just getting out of Alcatraz and wanted to come and play in the tournament. Whitaker was just finishing his sentence for his part in the kidnapping of Charles Lindbergh's son. While there was some division among USCF directors (including the president of the USCF) whether Whitaker should be allowed to play, John and others decided Whitaker had paid his debt and should be allowed to play. When Whitaker showed up, John talked to him and allowed him to play. In 1952, while in N.Y., John went to the Marshal Club and played Ed Lasker who at the time was one of the top 3 players in the USA. They played 6 games, John won 3 and lost 3.

In 1982, after retiring, John returned to Billings. He has taught chess to grade school students from 1983 to 1995. His most recent class involved twenty five students! John has taught hundreds of Montana youngsters over the years. It is with deep appreciation and pride that MCA will award John C. Thompson with a plaque of recognition at the State Open.

After returning to the U.S., the USCF awarded John the title of Master Emeritus. Ken Smith, John's all-time top student, in an article in the *Texas Knights*, said that in his prime, John was among the top 5 players in the USA.

Article by David Duke

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**MONTANA STATE ACTION CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP** June 10: Swiss or RR, as per # of entries. Time control: G/30,

First round 10:00am. **MONTANA STATE BLITZ CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP** June 10: Round Robin. Time control:

G/5, First round 8:00pm. **MONTANA STATE QUICK CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP** June 11: Swiss or RR, as per # of entries Time control: G/15, First round 9:00am (to end no later than 3:00pm). Registration: 9:00 - 9:45am, 6/10. EF: \$20 (All three events), \$15 (Any two events), \$10 (Any one event). Prizes: Trophies, plaques and titles (For Montana resident top place finishers only). Advance entries / info: Jim Skovron, 134 29A Ave NE, Great Falls, MT 59404 (406) 771 - 0630. "This is a State Championship event! The winner of each event has bragging rights for a year and a trophy. So come on out and start your summer off right with this new tradition. We should get at least 30 players for this event every year. If you are on a tight budget, call Jim for a

place to roll out your sleeping bag." - Jim

## COPPER KING OPEN JUNE 24,25 1995



**AN MCA GRAND PRIX EVENT**



Conference Room, Copper King Inn, Butte, MT. 4 Round Swiss. Time control: 30/90, SD/1 Rounds: 9:00am, 2:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:00am. Registration: 8:15 - 8:45am June 24. EF \$20 if rec. by 6/21, \$25 at site. \$\$ G 250 - 1st \$100, 2nd \$50, Top B \$25, Top C \$25, Top D/E \$25, Biggest Upset \$25 (both players must have nonprovisional rts). MCA membership required (\$6), other states OK. No smoking, No computers, Wheelchair accessible. For advance registration or info, contact: John Kennedy, P.O. Box 2307, Colstrip, MT 59323 (406) 748-4449 (No Phone Entries).

## UCCC MIDSUMMER OPEN JULY 15,16 1995

Room 362, Social Science Building, University of Montana, Missoula, MT. 5 Round Swiss. Time control: G/2, Rounds: 9:00am, 1:30pm, 6:30pm, 8:30am, 1:00pm. Registration: 8:00 - 8:30am July 15. EF \$20 if rec. by 7/13, \$30 at site. \$\$ G 205 - 1st \$60 + trophy, 2nd trophy, <1800 \$50 + plaque, <1700 \$40+ plaque, <1500 \$30 + plaque, Biggest Upset \$25 + plaque (both players must have nonprovisional rts). MCA membership required (\$6), other states OK. No smoking, No computers, Wheelchair accessible. Cancellations received by 7:00am 7/15 (by calling 406 - 243 - 2843 and leave message) entitled to full refund. For advance registration or info, contact: William H. McBroom, 2321 Raymond Avenue. Missoula, MT 59802 (No Phone Entries).

**FYI: The State Closed will be held July 29, 30 in Bozeman. There will also be a satellite. Details in next issue.**

# 1994-1995 MCA Grand Prix Points

	NAME	R/rock	Chnk	Freez	Midw	Fools	State O	TOTAL
1	Sponsor	Bill CC	GF CC	UCCC	UCC	Cas CC	MCA	
2	C =	1.163	1.149	1.057	1.078	1.094		
3	Rounds	4	5	4	5	4	5	
4	Johansson	8.375	10.35	8.456	9.702	8.753		45.636
5	Carpenter		11.49	6.342		7.878		25.71
6	Z. Mayer	8.375	5.75		7.546	3.501		25.172
7	D. Duke	8.375	5.75			7.002		21.127
8	Brennan		9.19		7.546	3.501		20.237
9	Skovron		5.75	2.829	5.39	3.501		17.47
10	Long			6.342	7.546	3.501		17.389
11	Kuba				10.78	3.501		14.281
12	P. Motta	6.049	5.75					11.799
13	Moore		5.75			3.501		9.251
14	Rajala			6.342				6.342
15	Shughart			6.342				6.342
16	Thompson	6.049						6.049
17	E. Mayer					3.501		3.501
18	McCourt			2.829				2.829
19	Erickson			2.829				2.829
20	Amundson			2.829				2.829

Grand Prix Formula :

$$(N/5) \times (11 - P) \times C$$

where

N = no. of rounds

P = place in order among  
Montana Resident Players  
(the average of tied places)

C = average rating of all  
players in the event / 1500 \*

\* For the purpose of determining the average rating of all players in an event, the ratings used by the director for pairings will be used, except that players without ratings will be assigned a number equal to :

Average rating of RATED players +  
(W-L) x 100, where W = wins and  
L = losses (of the unrated player)

The top four finishers, after the State  
Open, will qualify for the State Closed.

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