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## LYNN WINS MONTANA OPEN

LYNCH AWARDED MONTANA TITLE OVER LOY & SULLIVAN

FINUCANE ADDS WYOMING TITLE TO UW CHAMPIONSHIP

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### MIDSUMMER MATING OPEN TOURNAMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

Sponsor - Montana Chess Association  
July 15-16, 1978

Place: Great Falls YMCA, 2nd Floor Meeting Room, 101 1st Ave. N., Great Falls, MT  
Reg: 9:00-10:00am, Entry Fee = \$5.  
Rounds: 5RSS 50/2hr (25/hr) 10:00am, 2:30pm, 7:00pm/9:30am, 2:00pm.  
Member: US Chess Federation membership required, may join at site.  
Prizes: Trophies to 1st, 2nd, Top C, D, Junior.  
CoDir: Otto Grosse & Bill Lynch.  
Entry: Otto Grosse, 3401 4th Ave. N., Great Falls, MT 59401.

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### TOURNAMENT ANNOUNCEMENT BILLINGS RIMROCK OPEN

Sponsor - Billings YMCA Chess Club  
August 26-27, 1978

Place: Basement, Billings YMCA Youth Center, 3215 4th Ave. N., Billings, MT 59101.  
Reg: 9:00-9:45am, Entry Fee = \$5.  
Rounds: 5RR 45/2hr 10:00am, 2:30pm, 7:00pm/9:30am, 2:00pm. 6 man sections determined by ratings. Lowest section 5SS for 6-12 players including non-rateds.  
Member: USCF membership required, \$12 adult, \$6 junior, may join at site.  
Prizes: \$30 1st ea. Section. 2nd prize in Lowest section based on entries.  
Dir: Bill Lynch  
Entry: Bill Lynch, 1144 Harvard Ave., Billings, MT 59102.  
Notes: Rounds will be started on time. All games not completed after four hours will be adjourned. Adjourned games will be completed between rounds if possible or after Round 5.

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Billings YMCA Chess Club - Wednesday 7:00pm - President: Bill Lynch  
YMCA Youth Center - 3215 4th Ave. N., Billings, MT 59102.  
MSU Chess Club - Wednesday 7:00pm - President: Lon Doll  
Student Union Building - Montana State University Campus, Bozeman, MT 59715.  
Butte Chess Club - Friday 6:00pm - President: Gordon Shuck  
Student Union Building - Montana Tech. Campus, Butte, MT 59701.  
Capitol City Chess Club - Wednesday 7:00pm - President: Kip Stubberud  
Independent Register Building - 317 Allen, Helena, MT 59601.  
Send information on your Chess Club for listing in July!

43RD MONTANA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP OPEN

Tournament Report

May 13-14, 1978

Director: Andy Shuck

Place	Name	Rating	RD1	RD2	RD3	RD4	RD5	Score	Tie-Breaks		Prizes
									M	S	
1	Marc Lynn WY	1970	W11	W23	W6	W4	D3	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$			\$40
2	Peter Grieve UT	1852	W8	W15	D3	D5	W7	4-1	11		\$10
3	Bill Lynch	1660	W9	W30	D2	W14	D1	4-1	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	MT Trophy + \$10	
4	Jim Loy	1571	W31	W10	W18	L1	W9	4-1	9		\$10
5	Shaun Sullivan	1629	D23	W24	W10	D2	W12	4-1	8		\$10
6	Craig Selmon	1322	W13	W29	L1	D15	W14	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 $\frac{1}{2}$	8	Under 1500 Troph+\$20	
7	Jim Magorian	1568	W19	W28	D14	W18	L2	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 $\frac{1}{2}$	6 $\frac{1}{2}$		
8	Bob Jordan	1517	L2	D26	W23	W28	W15	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 $\frac{1}{2}$	5 $\frac{1}{2}$		
9	Matthew Guthrie	1322	L3	W16	W13	W20	L4	3-2	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	Open Jr. Trophy	
10	Bill Wraith	1800*	W32	L4	L5	W25	W20	3-2	7 $\frac{1}{2}$ /13		
11	Gordon Shuck	1562	L1	L5	W25	W30	W18	3-2	7 $\frac{1}{2}$ /12		
12	Bruce Thompson	1341	W16	L14	W28	W21	L5	3-2	7		
13	Doug Klaucke	1658	L6	W24	L9	W27	W22	3-2	6		
14	Jeff Markle	1789	W17	W12	D7	L3	L6	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ -2 $\frac{1}{2}$	10		
15	Alfred Anderson	1600	W27	L2	W19	D6	L8	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ -2 $\frac{1}{2}$	9		
16	Chris Tiahrt	1709	L12	L9	W26	D17	W21	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ -2 $\frac{1}{2}$	7 $\frac{1}{2}$		
17	Dallon Thomas	1358	L14	L19	W24	D16	W23	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ -2 $\frac{1}{2}$	6		
18	Kip Stubberud	1818	W22	W20	L4	L7	L11	2-3	8 $\frac{1}{2}$		
19	Neal Sikveland	NON	L7	W17	L15	L22	W27	2-3	7 /11		
20	Roland Brodniak	1608	W21	L18	W30	L9	L10	2-3	7 /10		
21	Sam Hoomiratana	1228	L20	W32	W22	L12	L16	2-3	6 $\frac{1}{2}$		
22	Howard Hoene	1488	L18	W31	L21	W19	L13	2-3	6		
23	Andy Shuck	1317	D5	L1	L8	W26	L17	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ -3 $\frac{1}{2}$	10		
24	Pete McKeon	1317	L29	L13	L17	Bye	D25	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ -3 $\frac{1}{2}$	6 $\frac{1}{2}$		
25	Raymond Sorenson	1456	L28	W27	L11	L10	D24	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ -3 $\frac{1}{2}$	6		
26	Chuck Borland	NON	-	D8	L16	L23	Bye	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ -3 $\frac{1}{2}$	4		
27	Jim Toth	1212**	L15	L25	Bye	L13	L19	1-4	6		
28	Filberto Vera	1805**	W25	L7	L12	F17	WD	1-3	4 $\frac{1}{2}$		
29	Roberto Barajas	1622	W24	L6	Withdrew			1-1	1		
30	Hal Amundson	955	Bye	L3	F12	F16	WD	1-3	0		
31	Nerssi Khalilifar	915	L4	L22	Withdrew			0-2			
32	Noushin Khalilifar	1363**	L10	L21	Withdrew			0-2			

UNDER 1300 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Tournament Report

May 13-14, 1978

Director: Bill Lynch

Place	Name	Rating	RD1	RD2	RD3	RD4	RD5	Score	Tie-Breaks		Prizes
									M	S	
1	Gary Ritchie	1082	W15	D8	W6	W3	W5	4 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$			Under 1300 Troph+\$15
2	Terry Mitchell	NON	L4	W9	W7	W10	W6	4-1			
3	Coyle Long	1263	W7	W14	D4	L1	W8	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 $\frac{1}{2}$	9		
4	Mark Laceky	UNR	W2	W11	D3	L5	W15	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 $\frac{1}{2}$	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	Under 1300 Jr.	
5	Charles Chapman	1178	W16	L6	W8	W4	L1	3-2	9 /14 $\frac{1}{2}$		
6	Aaron Davis	NON	W18	W5	L1	W11	L2	3-2	9 /13 $\frac{1}{2}$		
7	Gerald Nerlin	NON	L3	W12	L2	W14	W9	3-2	7 $\frac{1}{2}$		
8	Mike Coyne WY	NON	W10	D1	L5	W13	L3	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ -2 $\frac{1}{2}$			
9	Dan Peterson	UNR	L11	L2	W12	W16	L7	2-3	7 /12/3		
10	Don Norrid	UNR	L8	W15	W14	L2	L4	2-3	7 /12/2		
11	Mickey May WY	NON	W9	L4	W16	L6	L13	2-3	7 /11 $\frac{1}{2}$		
12	Adam Laceky	NON	L17	L7	L9	W15	W14	2-3	6		
13	Brad Jackson	1098	L14	L16	W15	L8	W11	2-3	4		
14	Matt Heckel	NON	W13	L3	L12	L15	L14	1-4	7		
15	Mark Vandeventer	NON	L1	L10	L13	L12	W16	1-4	6 /11 $\frac{1}{2}$		
16	Hugh Safford	NON	L5	W13	L11	L9	L15	1-4	6 /10		
17	Chuck Borland	NON	W12	Withdrew				1-0			
18	Alan Moore	NON	F9	Withdrawn				0-1			

WHITE: Marc Lynn WY (1970)

BLACK: Bill Lynch (1660)

PHILODOR'S DEFENSE

1. P-K4 P-K4 2. N-KB3 P-Q3 3. B-B4 B-K2 4. P-Q4 N-Q2 5. N-B3 (5. PxP NxP 6. NxN PxN 7. QxQch BxQ is drawish) KN-B3 6. BxPch (Not good according to theory-but this is real life.) KxB 7. N-N5ch K-N3 (Black may also go to N1, but loses the exchange and must prove he has compensation.) 8. P-KR4 P-KR4 9. P-KB4 PxP 10. P-K5 PxP? (10..NxP! is better-11. PxN PxP and Black's Queen and Queen Bishop have joined the defense, the pawn on B5 is protected and Black is two pawns ahead.) 11. Q-Q3ch P-K5 12. N/3xP N-K4 (The only defense.) 13. PxN QxQ 14. PxQ NxN 15. NxN B-N5ch 16. N-B3 B-KB4 17. P-Q4 QR-Q1 18. P-QR3 B-R4 19. O-O RxP 20. N-K2 (20. BxP looks better, as it appears White can hold the KP.) R-K5 21. NxPch K-B2 22. K-R2 RxP 23. P-QN4 B-N3 24. B-N2 R-K5 25. N-R3 K-N3 26. BxP Draw agreed.  $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$  Notes by Lynch.

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WHITE: Jim Loy (1571)

BLACK: Marc Lynn

ENGLISH OPENING

1. c4 e5 2. Nc3 Nf6 3. Nf3 Nc6 4. g3 d5 5. cxd5 Nxd5 6. Bg2 Be6 7. O-O Be7 8. d3 O-O 9. Bd2 f6 10. Qb3 Qd7 11. Nxe5 Nxc3 12. Nxd7 Nxe2+ 13. Kh1 Bxb3 14. Bxc6 bxc6 15. axb3 Rfd8 16. Rfel Nxg3+ 17. fxg3 Rxd7 18. Ra6 c5 19. Be3 Rxd3 20. Rc6 c4 21. Rxc4 Rxb3 22. Bxa7 Rxa7 23. Rxe7 Rxb2 24. R7xc7 R7a2 25. g4 Rd2 26. Rcl Rxb2+ 27. Kgl Rag2+ 28. Kf1 Rxg4 29. Resigns 0-1.

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WHITE: Peter Grieve (1852) UT

BLACK: Shaun Sullivan (1629)

PIRC DEFENSE

1. P-K4 P-Q3 2. P-Q4 N-KB3 3. N-QB3 P-KN3 4. N-KB3 B-N2 5. B-K2 O-O 6. O-O B-N5 7. B-K3 N-QB3 8. Q-Q2 P-K4 9. PxP PxP 10. QR-Q1 QxQ 11. RxQ QR-Q1 12. KR-Q1 BxN 13. BxB RxR 14. RxR R-Q1 15. RxR NxR 16. N-N5 N-K3 17. NxRP N-Q5 18. P-QB3 NxBch 19. PxN P-QB3 20. N-B8 B-B1 21. N-N6 B-Q3 22. N-B4 B-B2 23. K-B1 P-QN4 24. N-N6 K-B1 25. B-B5ch K-K1 26. K-K2 N-Q2 27. NxN KxN 28. P-QN3 P-KB4 29. K-Q3 B-R4 30. P-QR4 PxP 31. PxP B-B2 32. K-B4 K-B1 33. B-N4 K-N2 34. P-R5 B-N1 35. B-K7 B-R2 36. B-Q6 BxP 37. BxP PxP 38. PxP P-KN4 39. B-Q6 B-N8 40. B-N3 P-KR4 41. P-KR4 P-N5 42. P-K5 K-B1 43. P-R6 K-Q2 44. P-K6ch KxP 45. B-N8 K-B4 46. P-R7 BxP 47. BxB P-N6 48. K-B5 P-N7 49. KxP K-N5 50. K-Q5 KxP 51. B-N8 K-N6 52. P-B4 P-R5 53. P-B5 Draw agreed.  $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$

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WHITE: Jeff Markle (1789)

BLACK: Bill Lynch (1660)

ENGLISH OPENING

1. P-QB4 N-KB3 2. N-QB3 P-B4 3. P-KN3 N-B3 4. B-N2 P-K3 5. N-B3 B-K2 6. O-O O-O 7. P-Q4 PxP 8. NxP P-QR3 9. R-K1 Q-B2 10. P-K4 P-Q3 11. B-K3 B-Q2 12. R-QB1 QR-QB1 13. N-N3 N-K4 14. P-B5 PxP 15. B-B4 P-QN4 16. BxN QxB 17. P-KB4 Q-B2 18. P-K5 N-K1 19. N-K4 P-B5 20. N/3-Q2 Q-N3ch 21. K-R1 N-B2 22. NxP PxN 23. QxB N-Q4 24. Q-R4 QxP 25. R-B2 Q-N5 26. QxQ NxQ 27. R-Q2 P-B6 28. NxP RxN 29. R-Q7 N-Q6 30. R-QN1 B-N5 31. B-R3 R-B8ch 32. RxR NxR 33. P-R3 White Resigns. 0-1

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WHITE: Kip Stubberud (1818)

BLACK: Jim Loy (1571)

ALEKHINE'S DEFENSE

1. e4 Nf6 2. e5 Nd5 3. c4 Nb6 4. c5 Nd5 5. Nc3 Nxc3 6. bxc3 d6 7. cxd6 exd6 8. Bc4 dxe5 9. Qb3 Qf6 10. Nf3 Bd6 11. O-O O-O 12. d4 Nc6 13. Ng5 Na5 14. Qc2 Bf5 15. Bd3 Bxd3 16. Qxd3 Qg6 17. Qb5 Nc6 18. Qxb7 exd4 19. f4 Bc5 20. f5 dxc3+ 21. Kh1 Qd6 22. Bf4 Qd7 23. Ne4 Bb6 24. Rad1 Nd4 25. f6 c2 26. Rd3 Qb5 27. fxg7 Qxd3 28. gxf8=Q+ Rxf8 29. Nd2 Ne2 30. Be3 Qxe3 31. Nc4 Qf4 32. Rel cl=Q 33. Rxcl Qxclmate. 0-1

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WHITE: Craig Selman (1322)

BLACK: Jeff Markle (1789)

SICILIAN DEFENSE

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nxd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 Nc6 6. Bg5 Qa5 7. Bxf6 exf6 8. Ndb5 Qd8 9. Nd5 Be7 10. Nbc7+ Kf8 11. Nxa8 f5 12. Nac7 fxe4 13. c3 g6 14. Nxe7 Qxe7 15. Nb5 Kg7 16. Qxd6 Qg5 17. Qg3 Qc5 18. Nd4 Re8 19. Qe3 Qa5 20. Nxc6 bxc6 21. Bc4 f4 22. O-O h5 23. Qd4+ Kh6 24. Qf6 Qe5 25. Qxe5 Rxe5 26. Rad1 f5 27. Rd6 Kg5 28. Rfd1 Bg4 29. Rel f3 30. gxf3 Bxf3 31. Be2 Resigns. 1-0

WHITE: Matthew Guthrie (1322)

BLACK: Chris Tiahrt (1709)

PIRC DEFENSE

1. P-K4 P-Q3 2. P-Q4 N-KB3 3. N-QB3 P-KN3 4. B-N5 B-N2 5. Q-Q2 N-B3 6. B-N5 B-Q2 7. KN-K2 P-QR3 8. B-Q3 N-QN5 9. B-B4 O-O 10. P-Q5 P-QR4 11. P-QR3 N-R3 12. B-R6 N-B4 13. BxB KxB 14. P-B3 R-K1 15. Q-Q4 P-K4 16. Q-K3 Q-K2 17. P-KN4 P-KR4 18. PxB NxB 19. N-N3 Q-R5 20. Q-B2 NxN 21. QxN QxQ 22. PxB R-R1 23. K-Q2 B-R6 24. R-R2 B-Q2 25. R/1-R1 RxB 26. RxB R-R1 27. RxB KxB 28. N-N5 N-R5 29. P-N3 BxB 30. BxB N-N3 31. K-K3 P-N4 32. P-B4 NPxB 33. PxB P-KB3 34. PxB QPxB 35. K-B3 K-N2 36. K-N4 K-N3 37. B-K8ch K-N2 38. K-B5 K-B1 39. B-N5 K-K2 40. P-B4 N-B1 41. P-B5 P-N3 42. P-N4 RPxB 43. RPxB PxB 44. PxB K-B2 45. B-Q7 N-K2ch 46. K-N4 N-N3 47. P-Q6 PxB 48. PxB N-B1 49. B-B8 K-K1 50. K-B5 N-Q2 51. BxNch KxB 52. KxB KxB 53. K-B5 K-K2?? (53...K-Q2! 54. KxB K-K2 - Black has the opposition and draws.) 54. KxB K-B2 55. K-Q6 K-K1 56. K-K6 K-Q1 Black Resigns. 1-0. Matthew went on to claim the Open Junior Title with a 1721 performance rating!

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WHITE: Gary Ritchie (1082)

BLACK: Chuck Chapman (1178)

IRREGULAR

1. d4 Nf6 2. Nc3 g6 3. e4 Bg7 4. e5 Ng8 5. Nf3 e6 6. Bg5 Ne7 7. Bd3 O-O 8. Qd2 Qe8 9. Bf6 c6 10. Ne4 Nf5 11. Ng3 Nxb3 12. hxb3 h5 13. Qg5 Bxf6 14. exf6 Qd8 15. Rxb4 Re8 16. Rh8+ Kxb8 17. Qh6+ Resigns. 1-0

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WHITE: Coyle Long (1263)

BLACK: Gary Ritchie (1082)

RUY LOPEZ

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. Bb5 Nf6 4. d3 Be7 5. Bxc6 dxc6 6. Nxe5 O-O 7. Nd2 Bb4 8. c3 Bd6 9. d4 Bxe5 10. dxe5 Ng5 11. Nf3 Qxd1+12. Kxd1 Nxf2+13. Ke1 Nxb1 14. Kf1 Rd1 15. Bf4 Bg4 16. Kgl Rd7 17. Kxhl Rd8 18. h3 Bxf3 19. gxf3 h6 20. Rgl Kh7 21. Rg2 g5 22. Be3 Rd1+ 23. Kh2 b6 24. Kg3 Rld3 25. Re2 Kg6 26. Kg4 Rd1 27. Kg3 Re8 28. h4 Rxe5 29. hxg5 hxg5 30. f4 Rxe4 31. f5+ Kxf5 32. Rh2 White Resigns. 0-1

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WHITE: Dan Peterson (UNR)

BLACK: Terry Mitchell (NON)

KING'S FIANCHETTO ?

1. P-Q3 P-Q4 2. N-QB3 N-KB3 3. P-KN3 P-QN3 4. B-KN2 B-QN2 5. N-KR3 P-K3 6. N-B4 QN-Q2 7. P-K4 P-KN3 8. PxB Q-K2 9. B-K3 P-K4 10. N-QN5 N-QB4 11. BxB QxB 12. P-QB4 PxB 13. Q-K2ch B-K2 14. PxB O-O 15. R-KN1 P-QR3 16. P-Q6 BxB 17. RxB PxB 18. PxB R-K1 19. Q-KB3 PxB 20. PxB Q-N5ch 21. K-KB1 QxPch 22. K-N1 RxB 23. RxB QxR 24. R-N3 RxB 25. Q-R3 QxQ 26. PxB N-R4 27. R-Q3 NxB 28. R-Q8ch K-N2 29. R-QR8 R-K8mate. 0-1 At age 11, Dan has already considerable tactical ability. In another year or so when he develops his talents we could all be in trouble.

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WHITE: Mark Laceky (UNR)

BLACK: Coyle Long (1263)

QUEEN'S GAMBIT DECLINED

1. P-Q4 P-Q4 2. P-QB4 N-KB3 3. N-QB3 P-QB3 4. N-B3 QN-Q2 5. B-N5 PxB 6. P-K4 N-N3 7. BxB KPxB 8. R-B1 B-QN5 9. P-QR3 BxB 10. RxB B-K3 11. Q-B2 O-O 12. N-Q2 QxB 13. NxB NxB 14. BxB BxB 15. RxB Q-N3 16. O-O R/R1-Q1 17. R-N4 Q-B2 18. R-Q1 RxBch 19. QxR R-Q1 20. R-Q4 RxB 21. QxR P-QB4 22. Q-R4 Q-N1 23. Q-R5 Q-Q3 24. Q-N5 Q-B3 25. QxQ PxB 26. K-B1 K-B1 27. K-K2 K-K2 28. K-Q3 K-Q3 29. P-B4 P-QR3 30. K-B4 P-QR4 31. P-K5ch PxB 32. PxBch KxB 33. KxB P-B4 34. KxB P-N4 35. K-N5? (35...P-QN4 immediately wins.) P-R4 36. KxB K-K5 37. P-N4 P-N5 38. P-N5 P-B5 39. P-N6 P-B6 40. PxBch PxB 41. P-N7 P-B7 42. P-N8=Q P-B8=Q 43. Q-K6ch K-Q5 44. Q-Q6ch K-B6 45. Q-N4ch K-B7 46. Q-K4ch K-B6 47. Q-K3ch K-N7 48. Q-Q2ch K-N8 49. Q-N4ch K-B8 50. Q-B3ch K-N8 Draw Agreed 1/2-1/2

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WHITE: Mark Laceky (UNR)

BLACK: Chuck Chapman (1178)

PIRC DEFENSE

1. P-Q4 N-KB3 2. B-B4 P-KN3 3. N-KB3 B-N2 4. P-K3 O-O 5. P-B4 P-Q3 6. N-B3 P-B3 7. P-QN3 Q-R4 8. Q-B2 B-B4 9. B-Q3 BxB 10. QxB QN-Q2 11. O-O QR-K1 12. B-N5 P-KR3 13. BxB NxB 14. QR-N1 Q-B2 15. P-Q5 P-K4 16. P-K4 P-R3 17. P-QN4 N-R4 18. P-N3 N-B3 19. P-B5 QPxB 20. NPxB R-Q1 21. P-Q6 Q-Q2 22. NxB Q-K3 23. N-B3 R-Q2 24. P-K5 N-N5 25. KR\*K1 NxB 26. NxB BxB 27. P-B4 Q-B4 28. QxB B-Q5ch 29. K-N2 PxB 30. N-K2 BxB 31. KR\*Q1 K-N2 32. R-N3 R-K1 33. N-Q4 BxB 34. RxB R-K7ch 35. K-R3 RxQRP 36. K-R4? RxBmate. 0-1



Place	Name	Rating	RD1	RD2	RD3	RD4	RD5	RD6	Score	Tie-Breaks M / S
1	Dan Finucane	1588	W18	L3	W11	W16	W10	W2	5-1	
2	Steve Smith	1895	W14	W9	D3	W4	W5	L1	4½-1½	15½/23
3	Tom McClew	1883	W16	W1	D2	D5	D7	W8	4½-1½	15½/22½
4	Marc Lynn	1970	W17	W8	D5	L2	W9	W7	4½-1½	14½
5	Bob Burley	1717	W11	W6	D4	D3	L2	W10	4-2	16
6	David Landers CO	1520	W21	L5	L7	W15	W16	W11	4-2	11
7	Rod Weikum	UNR	Bye	L10	W6	W17	D3	L4	3½-2½	13½
8	Bruce Johnson	1624	W15	L4	W14	D10	W12	L3	3½-2½	13
9	John Rose CO	1609	W20	L2	W19	D12	L4	W17	3½-2½	12½
10	Bill Lynch MT	1660	W13	W7	D12	D8	L1	L5	3-3	14
11	Ted McMahon	1310	L5	W21	L1	W19	W14	L6	3-3	12½
12	Steve Haataja SD	1487	W19	D17	D10	D9	L8	D14	3-3	11
13	Mal Skarsten SD	1300	L10	L18	L17	W20	W19	W16	3-3	8
14	Roy Livingston	1397	L2	W20	L8	W18	L11	D12	2½-3½	11½
15	James Lannan	1298	L8	L16	W20	L6	D17	W18	2½-3½	9½
16	David Hays	1325	L3	W15	W18	L1	L6	L13	2-4	14
17	Tim Pfau	1440	L4	D12	W13	L7	D15	L9	2-4	13
18	Mickey May	UNR	L1	W13	L16	L14	W20	L15	2-4	10
19	Pancho Nahoe	UNR	L12	Bye	L9	L11	L13	W20	2-4	9
20	Mike Coyne	UNR	L9	L14	L15	L13	L18	L19	0-6	
21	Mike Moncur	UNR	L6	L11	Withdrew				0-2	

Prizes: Wyoming State Champion Trophy - Dan Finucane  
 Wyoming State Junior Champion Trophy - Roy Livingston

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#### WYOMING ESTABLISHES OFFICIAL USCF STATE CHAPTER

At players' meetings held between rounds of the Wyoming Open on May 28th and 29th, the Wyoming Chess Association, a USCF Affiliate Organization, was selected as the Official State Chapter in Wyoming. This group sponsored the '78 Open and will conduct future State Opens to determine a nationally recognized Wyoming State Champion, as well as sponsoring other tournaments and chess activities in the State.

Officers elected for 1978-79 were Bob Burley, Casper, President; Arthur Birkby, Laramie, Vice President; and Bruce Johnson, Casper, Sec./Treas. Burley and Johnson were selected to head a committee appointed to develop a constitution and bylaws. Marc Lynn, Rod Weikum and Tim Pfau were appointed to a Prize Fund Committee to develop a standard formula for cash prize distribution at WCA sponsored tournaments.

It was decided that Tournament Reports, Announcements, etc. would be published in Montana (Wyoming) Chess News, with the cost of distribution to non-subscribers being paid, temporarily, by the Association with funds collected at tournaments.

Activities mentioned for future development included a series of city championships to qualify players to an invitational faceoff, and the promotion of high school chess clubs and competition between schools. Questions or suggestions should be directed to Bruce Johnson, 839 Elma, Casper, WY 82601.

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WHITE: Dan Finucane (1588)      BLACK: Bill Lynch (1660) MT      PHILODOR DEFENSE

1. P-K4 P-K4 2. N-KB3 P-Q3 3. P-Q4 PxP 4. NxP P-KN3 5. P-QB4 B-N2 6. N-QB3 KN-K2 7. B-K2 N/2-B3? 8. B-K3 O-O 9. O-O R-K1 10. P-QR3 P-QR4 11. Q-Q2 B-Q2 12. P-KB3 Q-B1 13. N-Q5 N-K2 14. R-N1 NxN 15. KPxN Q-K1 16. B-Q3 P-QB4 17. PxPe.p. PxP 18. KR-K1 B-K3 19. P-QN4 PxP 20. PxP P-Q4 21. P-B5 B-Q2 22. P-N5 PxP 23. NxP N-B3! 24. N-Q6 RxB 25. RxR B-Q5 26. K-R1 BxR 27. QxB Q-R4 28. Q-B4 B-K3 29. R-QB1 R-N1 30. P-KR4 R-N5 31. Q-B6! Q-R6 32. R-K1! QxB 33. RxB! RxPch 34. QxR PxR 35. Q-B6 Q-N8ch 36. K-R2 Q-N1 37. QxPch K-N2 38. QxP N-N5 39. Q-K5ch K-R3?? 40. N-B7mate. 1-0 Having wasted so much time wriggling out of my cramped opening position I managed to get checkmated, lose on time and lose my queen all in one move!

Dan Finucane, of Laramie, survived a last round loss to win the University of Wyoming Championship on tie breaks over Steve Smith, of Casper. Both finished with a 4-1 score in the 5RSS event held in Laramie in early May.

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MONTANA GRAND-PRIX CHAMPIONS . . . . . Bill Lynch

Lately, there has been some interest expressed in the idea of recognizing the achievement of that player who has been most consistent throughout a given year. Prior to 1976, this would not have been too meaningful as there was rarely more than one other tournament besides the State Championship. However, it is rather interesting to examine the last several years. Let us look at the results of Open Tournaments played in Montana which were advertised statewide, and award points as follows: 10 for 1st; 7 for 2nd; 5-3rd; 3-4th; 2-6th; and 1-6th. In 1976 we have (Missing places 2-5 for the Malmstrom Open):

1. Lynch 19 2. Barajas 13 3.-5. Robert Goble (State Champ), Loy & Thompson 10.

Bob Goble, an expert rated player, could probably have dominated easily, but chose to participate only in the State Open. Last year was much more decisive:

1. Temple 51 2. Lynch 19 3. G. Shuck 15 4.-6. Barajas, Crewse & Lynn 10.

Clearly, Judson deserved his title, having left the field far behind. This year we have quite an interesting fight developing:

1. Marc Lynn 18 2. Klaucke 15 3. G. Shuck 10 4. Lynch 8 5.-6. Grieve & Temple 7.

Marc is trying to take the '78 Montana Grand-Prix Title home to Wyoming. I'll update these figures and let you know who comes out on top in January.

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MSU CHESS CLUB ROUND ROBIN      Tournament Report      April 29-30, 1978

Place	Player	Rating	Opponent							Score
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
1	Bruce Thompson	1341	x	1	1	1	1	1	1	6-0
2	Howard Hoene	1461	0	x	1	0	1	1	1	4-2
3	Brad Jackson	1068	0	0	x	1	1	1	1	4-2
4	Gerald Merlin	NON	0	1	0	x	0	1	1	3-3
5	Eddie Sheehan	NON	0	0	0	1	x	0	1	2-4
6	Aaron Davis	NON	0	0	0	0	1	x	1	2-4
7	Mark Vandeventer	NON	-	-	0	-	0	-	x	0-2

Dir: Bruce Thompson. New MSU Chess Club Officers: President-Lon Doll, Vice President-Bill Dickey, and Sec./Treas.-Bruce Thompson.

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!! SUBSCRIPTIONS NEEDED !!

I have received about 90 subscriptions from Montana to date. Combined with the decision of the WCA to send M/WCN to all Wyoming rated players this brings the total paid circulation to about 150 - or 50 short of the minimum 200 required to benefit from the YMCA non-profit postage rate. Nonetheless, this is the LAST ISSUE of M/WCN which will be widely circulated to non-subscribers. The mailing list will be cut to paid subscribers only in July.

I am again enclosing return addresses envelopes for those of you who have not yet subscribed. Remember you get six issues for only \$1.00 per year.

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Thank you,



William M. Lynch, Editor

1	Kip Stubberud	HL	1818	Dennis Burke	MS	1468	John Austreng	GF	1280
2	Filberto Vera	BT	1816	Brks Weingartner	BT	1459	Charles Cokley	GF	1264
3	Jeff Markle	BZ	1789	Matthew Guthrie	MS	1445	Tom Laceky	HL	*1248
4	Bill Lynch	BL	1763	Ted Anderson	GF	1435	Brian Berg	BZ	1236
5	Chris Tiaht	BZ	1709	John Shyne	BZ	1422	Richard Stevens	BL	1231
6	Doug Klaucke	BL	1705	Claude Laubach	CT	1422	Bob Charo	GF	1230
7	Wasyl Jarosz	BZ	1677	Lon Doll	BZ	1403	Sam Hoomiratana	BL	1228
8	William Greer	MS	1677	Nous Khalilifar	BT	1366	Bob Perry	KS	1199
9	Gordon Shuck	WH	1647	Dallon Thomas	BL	1358	Coyle Long	BT	1188
10	Gary Chicoine	BF	1644	M. Mecklenberg	MS	1357	Tom Romine	BL	1177
11	Jim Ostby	FR	1644	Charles Sexton	BZ	1355	Gene Hackett	HL	*1165
12	Alvis Auseklis	KS	1634	Charles Bradley	BZ	1355	Chuck Chapman	BL	1149
13	Shaun Sullivan	AN	1629	Charles Jacobs	DL	1351	Robert Miller	GF	1137
14	Roberto Barajas	GF	1622	John Hay	MS	1350	Don Price	BZ	1123
15	William Myers	MS	1608	Richard Lohr	GF	1343	Doug Brock	HL	*1098
16	Roland Brodniak	KS	1600	Andy Shuck	WH	1343	Brad Jackson	BZ	1098
17	Michael Poole	BT	1586	Paul Compa	GF	1342	Don Norrid	HL	*1092
18	Hans Anderson	MS	1584	Bruce Thompson	BZ	1341	Barry Sleight	BL	1088
19	Bob McKinnon	GF	1580	Perry Moler	CO	1335	Gary Ritchie	BL	1082
20	Jim Loy	BZ	1571	George Rohrer	BL	1332	Mark Laceky	HL	*1070
21	Joe Wingard	KS	1566	Craig Selman	HL	1322	Kelley Beasley	BZ	1067
22	Alfred Anderson	BT	1530	Otto Grosse	GF	1320	James O'Neil	BT	1041
23	Bob Jordan	FB	1529	Danny Dutton	MS	1320	Eric Malroy	BL	1039
24	Jerry Stump	BL	1526	Richard Graham	GF	1318	Bill Miller	BL	999
25	Bruce Spencer	MS	1525	L. Kiedrowski	GF	1316	Jim Toth	BZ	* 985
26	Jim Magorian	HL	1525	P. Forayter	GF	1314	Greg Smith	BZ	976
27	Robert Bailey	GF	1511	William Pitre	GF	1313	Hal Amundson	DI	955
28	Jack Reddy	HL	1510	Walt Duncan	BT	1307	Dan Petersen	AN	* 935
29	John Barto	GF	1483	Lawrence Dunkin	GF	1306	Nerssi Khalilifar	BT	922
30	Lee Drummond	MS	1480	Pete McKeon	BT	1305	John Newsome	GF	915
31	Howard Hoene	BZ	1469	Harold Ericson	DL	1298	Bob Powell	BL	847

\*UNOF hand calculated from results of Helena Open. HL=Helena, BT=Butte, BZ=Bozeman, BL=Billings, MS=Missoula, BF=Belfry, FR=Froid, KS=Kalispell, AN=Anaconda, GF=Great Falls, FB=Fort Benton, CT=Carter, DL=Deer Lodge, CO=Columbus, DI=Dillon, WH=Whitehall.

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WYOMING'S RATED PLAYERS \* JUNE 78

1	Anders Wengholm	RV	1967	Don Pederson	LA	1527	Dave Mouat	WR	1275
2	Marc Lynn	ME	1946	William Owens	CH	1515	James Lannan	LA	1275
3	Tom McClew	CA	1883	Bruce Scott	LU	1514	Arthur Birkby	LA	1264
4	Steve Kusaba	KR	1876	John Chase	ML	1508	Chris Vilos	WR	1227
5	Steve Smith	CA	1874	Russell Hansen	CH	1499	Robert Raup	WR	1226
6	Robert Blair	CH	1744	Tim Pfau	CA	1499	Comer Moore	RW	1207
7	Paul Joslin	BU	1720	Jack Fleming	CA	1478	Jim Brooks	TV	1193
8	Peter Shive	LA	1710	Ed Holden	DG	1450	Loren Terpening	CA	1151
9	Bob Burley	CA	1676	Jack Jones	SH	1435	Jim Silver	LA	1098
10	Joseph Martin	LA	1669	Roy Livingston	CA	1426	Glen Croy	PW	1074
11	Al Emmons	LA	1668	William Houle	RW	1386	Ernie Bosner	LA	1066
12	Bruce Johnson	CA	1654	Allan Cunningham	CH	1366	John Huenfeld	RV	1036
13	Dan Finucane	LA	1610	Ira Rosenholtz	LA	1356	Gerald Worth	CH	1010
14	W. E. Stevens	LA	1580	David Hays	GL	1347	Dan Lewis	LA	889
15	Rod Weikum	CA	1554	Tom Schultz	HN	1315	Jonathan Blesi	LA	790
16	Joseph Zbegner	SU	1550	Ted McMahon	CH	1294	Michal Monçur	PW	696

RV=Riverton, ME=Meeteetse, CA=Casper, KR=Kemmerer, CH=Cheyenne, BU=Burns, LA=Laramie, SU=Superior, LU=Lusk, ML=Mills, DG=Douglas, SH=Sheridan, RW=Rawlins, GL=Gillette, HN=Hanna, WR=Worland, TV=Teton Village, PW=Powell.

HELENA SELECTED TO HOST '79 MT OPEN

The annual business meeting of the Montana Chess Association was held after dinner on Saturday, May 13, at the state tournament. Gordon Shuck reported that the Treasury, \$122 a year ago, had grown to \$130 due to accumulated interest and lack of expenses. Nominations were then taken for the '79 State tournament site; Billings and Helena were nominated; and Helena was chosen by a 2-1 vote. Following the tradition of selecting a President from the host city, Kip Stubberud was then nominated and unanimously elected. Bill Lynch was then nominated as Secretary/Treasurer, and also elected by unanimous vote.

The traditional duties of the President, and general MCA procedures were discussed. It was noted that there is no known constitution. It was proposed that a committee be appointed to outline a constitution and bylaws which could be considered for adoption at next year's meeting so as to eliminate further confusion. This was approved with Bill Lynch, Kip Stubberud and Bruce Thompson chosen to form the core of the committee.

There was extensive discussion as to whether the MT State Tournament should remain open, as at present, or become closed, allowing participation by Montana players only. When brought to a vote, continuance of the open format was approved by a wide margin.

Items discussed but not acted on included the issuance of MCA membership cards, the establishment of standard tournament time controls and round schedules, and the possibility of having more than one tournament to determine the State Champion. It was pointed out that membership cards would not be acceptable in lieu of Northwest Chess membership or several other State Chapter memberships nearby; it was generally agreed that rounds and time controls should be left to the discretion of organizers who must work with local conditions; and despite support for a broader based championship it was agreed that logistical problems make it better for everyone to know the one time and place for the most important tournament of the year.

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Just a little space here to say thanks to those who responded to my questions on the original subscription blanks. Most people liked the games, tournament reports, and tournament announcements in that order. Mosts requests were for more games, and in particular annotated games. This issue is strong on games but short on notes, but I hope to get some good Wyoming Open analysis for July. Also I hope to feature some endgame analysis like last month's every other issue or so. Some people requested national and international news, but what I get is usually dated by the time I go to press and lately I've had more material than I know what to do with - note that this is the biggest issue yet - and there's good stuff I couldn't use. Keep those ideas coming, though, and maybe I can use them all - if I quit my job! Thanks again!

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