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## BROWNE, CHRISTIANSEN \& EVANS TIE FOR U.S. CHAMPIONSHIP

USCF - Grandmasters Walter Browne, Larry Christiansen and Larry Evans split first place at the 1980 United States Chess Championship held at Thiel College in Greenville, Pennsylvania from June 11-29. The three players all finished the invitational tournament with $7 \frac{1}{2}-4 \frac{1}{2}$ records and have been declared Co-Champions. World Junior Champion Yasser Seirawan and Grandmaster Leonid Shamkovich, the youngest and oldest players in the tournament respectively, finished close behind at $7-5$. Seirawan lost in the final round while attempting to defeat International Master Vitaly Zaltsman and take clear first at 8-4.

CASPER AUGUST ANNUAL CHESS TOURNAMENT Sponsor - WY Chess Assoc. August 9-10, 1980
Place: Crawford Room, Natrona County Public Library, 307 E. 2nd, Casper, WY 82601
Registration: 9:30 am, Sunday, August 9th or mail to Rod Weikum, Box 4488, Casper, WY 82604. Entry Fee $=\$ 8$, $\$ 6$ Junior. USCF Membership req'd, may join at site.

Rounds: 4 Round Swiss System. 10am, $4 \mathrm{pm} / 8 \mathrm{am}$, 3pm.
Time Control: 40 moves / 90 minutes per player first round, 30 minutes / 60 minutes second round.
Prizes: Cash prizes per entries.
Director: Rod Weikum, box 4488, Casper, WY. 237-4823.
Notes: Due to Library hours, Round 3 will be be played at an alternate site which had not been determined in time for this announcement.
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RIMROCK OPEN DEFERRED
Sponsor - Montana Chess Association
September 27-28, 1980

Place:
Registration:
Basement meeting room, Plaza Office Building, 1629 Ave. D., Billings, 59102 9:00-9:50am, Saturday May 27th. MT Chess Assoc. and US Chess Fed. membership required. May join st site. MCA - \$4 Adult, \$3 Junior. USCF - \$20 Adult, \$10 Junior, \$2.50 Participating Junior. COMBINED - \$20 Adult, \$10 Jr., \$5 P. Jr. USCF also offers a "Tournament Membership" good for one event only at $\$ 1$ per game played.
Rounds: $\quad 4$ Round Swiss System. 10am, 5pm / 9am, 3pm.
Time Control: 40 moves / 2 hours per player, then 20 moves / hour thereafter.
Open Section: Open to all USCF members and new members. Trophies to 1st and 2nd. Entry fees = \$6 Adult, \$4 Junior, new players free.
Reserve Sect: Open to all USCF members rated under 1500 and new members. Trophy to 1st. Entry Fees = \$5 Adult, \$3 Junior, new players free.
Speed Tnmt: 4 pm May 27 th. Handicap tournament. Players receive from 2 minutes to 6 minutes per game according to rating differential. Entry Fee = \$1. 1st - 70\% of entry fees. 2nd - $30 \%$ of entry fees.

Notes:

Director: William M. Lynch, 1144 Harvard Ave., Billings, MT 59102. 248-6352.
Trophies are donated. Proceeds of this event will be used to promote a master exhibition at the 1981 Montana Open Tournament.
Due to the small room and lack of ventilation no smoking will be allowed.

RD1 BD4 Steve Haataja-Mike Jensen QUEEN'S GAMBIT DECLINED 1 e 4 d5 2 exd5 Nf6 3 c4 c6 5 Nc3 Ne6 6 Bg5 e6 7 Nf3 Be7 8 cxd5 Nxd5 9 Bxe7 Ncxe7 10 Bc4 0-0 $110-0$ a6 12 Rc1 b5 13 Bx d5 Nxd5 14 Ne4 Nf6 15 Nc5 Nd7 16 Ne5 Nxc5 17 dxc5 Qc7 18 Qe2 f6 19 Nd3 e5 20 Qe4 Be6 21 b3 Rfd8 22 f4 Bd5 23 Qf5 Qb7 24 fxe5 Bxg2 25 Qe6+ Kh8 26 c6 Bxc6 27 Rxc6 Rxd3 28 exf6 gx f6 29 Qxf6+ Qg7 30 Qxg7+ Kxg7 31 Rfc1 Rd2 32 Rc7+ Kh8 33 R1c2 Rad8 Drawn. $\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$



#### Abstract

RD2 BD1 Gordon Shuck-Marc Lynn BENKO GAMBIT 1 P-Q4 N-KB3 2 P-QB4 PB4 3 P-Q5 P-QN4 4 PxP P-QR3 $5 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{QB} 3$ P-N3 6 P-K3 B-N2 $7 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{B} 3 \mathrm{O} 088 \mathrm{Px}$ P BxP 9 BxB RxB 10 O-O P-Q3 $11 \mathrm{~N}-$ Q2 $2 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{Q2} 12 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{B} 4 \mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{R} 113$ P-K4 R-N1 14 Q-Q3 N-N5 15 B-Q2 N/5-K4 16 NxN NxN 17 Q-B2 N-B5 18 KR-N1 R-R2 19 B-B1 R/2-N2 20 P-QR3 R-N6 DIAGRAM - Black has acquired a stone bind on the Queenside in exchange for the sacrificed pawn. $21 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{Q1} \mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{R} 5$ 22 N-B3 Q-R4 23 P-QR4 Q-N5 24 K-B1 NxP 25 BxN BxN 26 BxB RxRch 27 Rx R QxRch 28 QxQ RxQch 29 K-K2 K-B1 30 P-R5 K-K1 31 P-R4 K-Q2 32 P-N3 K-B2 33 P-K5 R-N6 34 K-Q2 R-R6 35 P-B4 P-R4 36 K-Q3 P-K3 37 PxPch Kx P 38 K-B4 PxPch White Resigns. 0-1


RD2 BD3 Matt Guthrie-Jim Loy QUEEN'S GAMBIT ACCEPTED 1 d4 d5 2 c 4 dxc5 3 Nf3 Nf6 4 e3 e6 5 Bxc4 c5 $60-0$ a6 7 a4 Nc6 8 Nc 3 cxd4 9 exd4 Bb4 10 Bg5 0-0 $11 \mathrm{Ne} 4 \mathrm{Be} 712 \mathrm{Re} 1 \mathrm{Nxe4} 13$ Bxe7 Nxf2 14 Kxf2 Qxe7 15 Ra3 Rd8 16 Rd3 e5 17 Nxe5 Nxe5 18 Rxe5 Qh4+ 19 Kg1 Bg4 20 Qb3 b5 21 Bxf7+ Kh8 22 h3 bxa4 23 Qxa4 Bd7 24 Qd1 Bb5 25 Rd2 Qf4 26 Bd5 Rac8 27 Rf2 Rc1 28 Rx $f 4$ Rxd1 29 Kh2 a5 30 Bf3 Black Resigns. 1-0
RD3 BD1 Marc Lynn-Matt Guthrie RUY LOPEZ 1 P-K4 P-K4 2 N-KB3 N-QB3 3 B-N5 P-QR3 4 B-R4 N-B3 5 P-Q4 PxP $60-0$ B-B4 7 P-B3 PxP 8 NxP P-QN4 9 B-N3 P-Q3 10 B-N5 P-R3 11 B-R4 P-N4 12 B-N3 B-KN5 13 R-K1 BxN 14 PxB N-K4 15 Q-K2 P-B3 16 P-QR4 P-N5 17 N-Q1 N-R4 18 BxN PxB 19 Q-B4 Q-K2 20 R-QB1 BxPch 21 NxB 0-0 22 QxQBP N-B5 23 QxKRP KR-Q1 24 R-B6 R-Q7 25 N-N4 R-N7ch 26 K-R1 RxN 27 PxR R-Q1 28 R-B6 N-K3 29 RxN R-Q8 30 R-N6 Mate. 1-0
RD3 BD5 Gordon Shuck-Howard Hoene BIRD's 1 f4 d5 2 e 3 Nf6 3 e3 Nf6 4 b3 e6 5 Bb2 Nbd7 6 Bd3 Bg6 7 O-0 Bd6 8 Nc 3 c6 9 Qe2 Qc7 10 Nd1 0-0-0 11 c4 Nc5 12 Nf2 Nce4 13 Rac1 Qa5 14 cx d5 exd5 15 a3 Bh5 16 b4 Qc7 17 b5 c5 18 Be5 Rhe8 19 Bxd6 Rxd6 20 a 4 b6 21 Bb1 d 422 Nd3 d xe3 23 dxe3 Nd5 24 Nde5 Nec3 25 Qd3 Nxb1 26 Qf5 5 Kb 27 Qxa5 Nbe3 28 Nxf7 Rde6 29 N3e5 R8 e7 30 Qf3 Kc8 31 e 4 Rxf7 32 Nxf7 Nxe6 33 Ne5 Ndf6 34 Rcd1 g5 35 Nc6 Qch 36 Rd8+ Kc7 37 Rf d1 g4 38 Qd3 g3 $39 \mathrm{hxg} 3 \mathrm{Nxg} 340 \mathrm{Rg} 8 \mathrm{Ne} 2+41$ Qxe2 Rxe2 42 Rxa7+ Black Resigns. 1-0
RD4 BD6 Steve Haataja-Bill Lynch PHILODOR DEFENSE 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 exd4 4 Nxd4 g6 a $5 \mathrm{Nc} 3 \mathrm{Bg} 76 \mathrm{Be} 3 \mathrm{~b} \mathrm{Nf} 67 \mathrm{Bc} 4 \mathrm{c} 0-08 \mathrm{Qd2} \mathrm{Re} 89$ f3 Nbd7 10 0-0-0 a6 11 h 4 Ne 512 Be 2 b 513 g 4 c 5 d 14 Nb 3 b 415 Nd 5 Nxd5 16 Qxd5 Be6 e 17 Qxd6 Qf6 18 Bg5 Nd3+!? $£ 19$ Bxd3 g Qxb2+ 20 K d2 c4 h 21 Qxb4 cxd3 22 Kxd3 Rac8 i 23 Ke3 Rxc2 24 Rd2 Bc3 j 25 Rxc2 Qxc2 $2 \overline{6}$ Qd6 Bc4 k 27 Nc 1 Bb 528 Qd1 Qb2 29 Qd5 Ba5 30 Qd4 Qc2 31 Bh6 Bc3 32 Qd1 Qb2 33 Bg 5 Be5 34 Qd2 Qa3+ $35 \mathrm{Kf} 2 \mathrm{Qc} 5+36 \mathrm{Kg} 2$ Qc4 37 Rd1 Rc8 38 Bh6 1 Qe6 39 Ne 2 m Re8 40 Nf 4 Qc 841 Bg5 Kg7 $42 \mathrm{Nd5!} \underline{\mathrm{n}} \mathrm{Qb} 843$ Bh6+ Kh8 44 Bg5 Kg7 o 45 Bh6 ${ }^{2} \mathrm{Kh} 846 \mathrm{f} 4$ ! Ba4 p 47 Rc 1 Black Resigns. 1-0 a An invention of Denmark's Bent Larsen which has restored life to the Philodor. b Best. Secures the Knight at d4 against surprise attacks. © The Bishop is exposed to attack here and White eventually


After 18...Nd3+ loses a tempo restoring it to safety. Better is Qd2. d Beginning an attack recommended by Larsen which I had studied long ago but never had the opportunity to play. e All part of the plan. $f$ The point. Black opens the long diagonal and begins a King hunt. g On $192 x d 3$ Qxb2+ 20 Kd2 f3 21 Be3 Rfd8 or 19 Rxd3 Qxb2+ $20 \mathrm{Kd2}$ c 4 and of course 19 cxd3?? Qxb2 Mate. $\underline{h}$ Perhaps 20...Bc3+ is better but I worried about 21 Ke3 c4 22 Rdb1. i 22...f f3 deserves consideration, but $23 \mathrm{Bf} 4 \mathrm{Red} 8+24 \mathrm{Ke} 2 \mathrm{Qxc} 2+25 \mathrm{Rd} 2$ appears to hold. $\bar{j} 24 \ldots \mathrm{Lxa2}$ restorine material equality with a passed pawn is probably best. If 25 Nc 1 then Qc4. $\underline{\mathrm{k}}$ Qxa2 is still preferable, but Black is now contending with time trouble. 1 Keeping the mate threat in hand. m Bringing the Knirght into play stronfly while Black continues to make meanincless moves. n An excellent square. o Ouch. Necessary is Bg7. p if 46 ... Be7 $47 \mathrm{Bxg7+} \mathrm{Kx}$ ह7 48 Qd5+ Kg8 49 Nf6+, but this is no help either. - An exciting fame which demonstrates clearly the values of Larsen's innovation. Black's game is free of the normal cramped maneauvering typical of the classical Philodor lines.


3 P-Q4 PxP $4 \mathrm{NxP} 5 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{KB} 35 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{QB} 3 \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{KN} 36 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{K} 3 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{N} 27 \mathrm{Q}-22 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{B} 38$ PB3 B-Q2 9 0-0-0 R-QB1 10 P-KR4 P-QR3 11 P-R5 NxRP 12 N-Q5 N-N6?! 13 N-K2! DIAGRAM - Black has neglected completing his development and White immediately seizes the chance for tactical threats. 13...NxR? 14 B-N6! R-B2 15 NxRch K-B1 16 N-K6ch BxIN 17 BxQ NxB 18 Q-K3 B-B5 19 F-B4 P-KR4 20 P-QN 3 BxN 21 BxB P-K4 22 RxN PxP 23 Q-N6 K-K1 24 2xQP R-R2 25 R-Q1 N-K3 26 Q-Q7ch K-B1 27 Q-B8ch K-K2 28 R-Q7ch K-B3 29 QkN8 N-N5 30 Q-Q8ch K-K3 31 R-K7ch K-B3 32 R-Ǩ8 Mate. 1-0
RD4 BD4 Ken Shinn-Jim Loy QUEEN'S GAMBIT ACCEPTED 1 Nf3 Nf6 2 d 4 d5 3 c4 dxc4 4 Nc3 a6 5 e3 e6 6 Bxc4 c5 7 O-0 Nc6 8 dxc5 Qxd1 9 Rxd1 Bxc5 10 a3 b5 11 Bd3 Bb7 $12 \mathrm{~h} 4 \mathrm{Bb} 613 \mathrm{Bb} 20-014$ Rab1 Rfd8 15 Ne 4 Nd 516 Nc 5 Bxc 517 Rxc5 Rac8 18 Nd 4 Ne 519 N xe6 Nxd3 20 Nxd8 Nxc5 21 Nxb7 Nxb7 22 Rxd5 Rc2 23 Rd7 Rxb2 24 g3 g6 25 Rxb7 Ra2 26 Rb6 Rx a3 27 Kg 2 Ra 428 h 4 Rxb 429 Rxa 6 Rb 130 Rb 6 b 431 Kf 3 b 332 Ke 4 Kf 833 Kd 3 Rf 134 Ke 2 Rb 1 $35 \mathrm{Kd} 3 \mathrm{Rc} 236 \mathrm{Kc} 3 \mathrm{Rc} 1+37 \mathrm{Kd} 3 \mathrm{Rc} 238 \mathrm{Rxb} 3 \mathrm{Rxf} 239 \mathrm{e} 4 \mathrm{Rf} 3+40 \mathrm{Kc} 4 \mathrm{Rxb} 341 \mathrm{Kxb} 3 \mathrm{Kf} 642 \mathrm{Kc} 3$ g5 $43 \mathrm{Kd} 3 \mathrm{~g} 444 \mathrm{Kd} 4 \mathrm{Ke} 645 \mathrm{Kd} 3 \mathrm{Ke} 546 \mathrm{Ke} 3 \mathrm{f} 547 \mathrm{exf5} \mathrm{Kxf} 548 \mathrm{Kd} 4 \mathrm{Ke} 649 \mathrm{Ke} 4 \mathrm{~h} 550 \mathrm{Kf} 4 \mathrm{ff} 6$ 51 Ke 4 Ke6 52 Kf4 Kf6 53 Ke4 Drawn. $\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$
RU5 BD3 Steve Haataja-Ted Anderson SICILIAN 1 e 4 c5 2 Nf3 a6 3 c 4 Nc6 4 d4 cxd 45 Nxd4 e5 $6 \mathrm{Nf} 5 \mathrm{~d} 67 \mathrm{Ne} 3 \mathrm{Nf} 68 \mathrm{Nc} 3 \mathrm{Be} 79 \mathrm{f} 3 \mathrm{Bd7} 10 \mathrm{~b} 3 \mathrm{Rc} 811$ Qd2 h6 12 Bb 2 Qb 613 h 4 Be6 14 g 4 N b4 15 Na 4 Qxe3 16 2xe3 Nc2+ 17 Kd 2 Nxe 318 Kxe 3 Nd 719 Be 2 Nc 520 Nc 3 Bd 821 Bd 3 Bb 622 K e2 Nxd3 23 Kxd3 Bd7 24 Nd5 Ba? 25 Rac1 b5 26 cxb5 Bxb5+ 27 Kd2 Kd7 28 Rxc8 Rxc8 29 Rc1 Rx c1 30 Bxc1 Bf2 31 h5 g6 $32 \mathrm{Nf6}$ Ke6 33 Ng 8 gxh5 34 gxh5 Be8 35 Nxh6 f6 36 Nf5 Bxh5 $37 \mathrm{Ng} 7+$ Black Resirgns. 1-0
RD5 BD2 Kip Stubberud-Matt Guthrie SICILIAN 1 P-K4 P-QB4 2 N-KB3 P -Q3 3 P-Q4 PxP 4 NxP N-KB3 5 N-QB3 P-QR3 6 B-KN 5 P-K3 7 P-B4 Q-N3 8 Q-22. QxP 9 R-QN1 Q-R6 10 BxN PxB 11 B-K2 N-B3 $120-0$ NxN 13 QxN Q-B4 14 L2XQ PXQ 15 P-B5 B-K2 16 P-QR4 0-0 17 R-B3 B-Q3 18 P-KN4 R-N1 19 B -B4 K-N2 20 P-R5 R-Q1 $21 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{R} 4$ B-Q2 $22 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{N} 6 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{B} 323 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{Q} 3 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{K} 424 \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{R} 4$ P-R3 25 R-QNiN 3 R-Q5 DIAGRAM 26 P-B3 R/5-Q1 27 K-B2 B-B2 28 K-K2 R-K1 $29 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{K} 3 \mathrm{QR}-\mathrm{Q} 130 \mathrm{NPxP} \mathrm{B}-\mathrm{B} 531 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{B} 3 \mathrm{BxP} 33 \mathrm{RxB}$ BxPch $34 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{B} 2 \mathrm{BxB} 35 \mathrm{R}$ -N4Ch K-R2 36 R-KB4 P-B4 37 R-B3 B-K5 38 R-KN 3 R-N1 39 N-R4 RxR 40 K xR R-iv1ch $41 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{R} 3$ R-QB1 $42 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{N} 6$ P-B5 $43 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{B} 6 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{N} 344 \mathrm{RxBP}$ B-B1 $45 \mathrm{~N}-$ N6 R-B2 46 N-Q5 Drawn. $\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$


RD5 BD1 Bruce Johnson-Marc Lynn ROBATSCH DEFENSE 1 P-QB4 N-KB3 2 N-QB3 P-KN3 3 P-K4 PQ3 4 P-Q4 B-N2 5 B-K2 0-0 6 B-N 5 P-KR3 7 B-K3 P-B4 8 P-Q5 P-QR3 9 P-QR4 P-K3 10 Q-Q2 PxP $11 \mathrm{KPxP} \mathrm{K}-\mathrm{R} 212 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{B} 3 \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{N} 3130-0 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{K} 214 \mathrm{QR}-\mathrm{K} 1 \quad \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{K} 215 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{Q} 3 \mathrm{R} / 1-\mathrm{K} 116 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{B} 4 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{R} 417 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{K} 4$ NxB 18 QxN R-Q2 19 R-K2 P-B4 $20 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{N} 3 \mathrm{RxR} 21 \mathrm{NxR}$ BxP 22 P-N4 PxP 23 QxNP R-KN2 $24 \mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{B} 4 \mathrm{~B}-$ B3 $25 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{R} 1 \mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{K} 226 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{KN} 1 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{Q} 227 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{N} 3 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{K} 428 \mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{N} 4 . \mathrm{BxN} 29 \mathrm{RxB} \mathrm{N}-\mathrm{K} 430$ BxPch RxB 31 Q-K4 K-N2 $32 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{R} 4 \mathrm{RxR} 33 \mathrm{RPxR}$ Q-B3 White Resigns. 0-1
******************************** MONTANA OPEN RESERVE GAMES $* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * ~$
RD5 BD3 John Wyrzykowski-Chuck Chapman PIRC DEFENSE 1 P-K4 P-Q3 2 P-Q4 P-KN3 3 N-QB3 BN2 $4 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{KB} 3 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{KB} 35 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{QB} 4 \mathrm{O}-06 \mathrm{O} 6 \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{QR} 37$ P-K5 PxP 8 NxP P-QN4 9 B-N3 P-N5 $10 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{K} 2 \mathrm{KN}-\mathrm{Q} 2$ 11 QB-B4 NxN 12 PxN QxQ 13 QRxQ B-K3 14 BxB PxB 15 B-KN3 N-QB3 16 P-KB4 P-QR4 17 N-Q4 NxN 18 RxN QR-Q1 $19 \mathrm{R} / 1-\mathrm{Q1} \mathrm{RxR} 20 \mathrm{RxR} \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{B} 121 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{KR} 4 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{Q} 722 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{B} 1 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{B} 223 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{K} 1 \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{B} 424 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{R} 7 \mathrm{~B}-$ R3 25 P-KN3 R-Q1 26 RxP R-Q8 27 R-B1 P-B5 28 K-K2 R-Q5 29 BxP R-K5ch 30 K-B3 R-Q5 31 R-R? B-B1 32 P-QR4 P-R3 33 P-R5 R-Q8 34 P-R6 R-QR8 35 B-R3 P-B6 36 R-N7 PxP 37 BxP RxP 38 R-B7 R-R5 39 P-B4 R-N5 40 B-Q4 P-R4 41 K-K4 R-N8 42 P-R4 R-K8ch 43 B-K3 R-N8 44 R-Q7 R-N 545 R -Q4 K-K1 46 P-B5 RxR 47 KxR Drawn. $\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$
RD5 BD2 Coyle Long-Leslie Gunderson RUY LOPEZ 1 e 4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 Nf6 4 Nc3 Bc5 5 B xc6 dxc6 6 Nxe5? Qd4 7 0-0 Qxe5 8 d3 $0-09 \mathrm{Ne} 2$ Qh5? 10 d4 Be7 11 e 5 Ne 412 f3 Ng5 13 Ng 3 Qg6 14 f 4 Ne 415 f 5 Bxf5 $16 \mathrm{Nxf5} \mathrm{Re} 817 \mathrm{Rf} 4 \mathrm{Bg} 518$ Rxe4 Bxc1 19 Qf3 Bxb2 20 Rg 4 Qe6 21 Nx g7 Bxal+ 22 Kh1 Qxe5 23 Nxe8+ Kf8 24 Re4 Qc5 25 Rf1 Qc4 26 Rxd4 Qxa2 27 Nxc7 Rc8 28 Qf4 c 529 Ra4 Black Resigns. 1-0
RD5 BD1 Mark Laceky-Tom Romine QuEEN'S GAMBIT DECLINED 1 P-Q4 P-Q4 2 P-QB4 P-K3 3 N-QB3 N-KB3 4 B-N5 B-K2 5 P-K3 0-0 6 B-Q3 N-B3 7 P-QR3 P-QR3 8 N-B3 P-QN3 9 0-O B-N2 10 R-K1 RK1 11 Q-B2 P-N3 12 QR-K1 N-N1 13 P-K4 PxKP $14 \mathrm{NxP} \mathrm{N}-\mathrm{Q} 215 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{K} 5 \mathrm{NxN} / \mathrm{K} 4 \ldots$...continued Page 6

The Montana Chess Association is deeply indebted to South Dakota's Steve Haataja, who, while attending the 1980 Montana Open, returned the Association's early records, which had languished in the attic or basement of former MCA President, Rick Likens, also of South Dakota. The following information derives from those records, and marks the beginning of a series of articles on Montana Chess history.

The record of chess activity in Montana begins with a copy of a brochure for an INTER-CLUB SESSION sponsored by THE BILLINGS CHESS CLUB of Billings, Montana on February $24 \mathrm{th}, 1935$. The Billings club, noting itself as "Chapter No. 35 N.C.F." (National Chess Federation ?), hosted players from clubs in Yellowstone Park (Chapter No. 28), Livingston and Hardin. Procedures were stated as follows:
"1. Register: Giving name and address. Write your name on the small card, then pin it on your coat. Keep score on the score card.
2. As soon as you are ready to play draw the name of your opponent at the drawing box. Do not play a member of your own club! Play only one game with each player you draw. Upon completing a game report your score and draw another opponent. Draw games count $\frac{1}{2}$ Stalemate count $\frac{1}{2}$.
3. Rules - Choose color in customary manner. Chosen pieces must be played. Move is completed when hand is removed. On all moves "stand's played" i.e. no move can be retracted. Do not take too long to complete a move. "En passant" not permissable. Castleing permitted on either side. Person winning the greatest number of games will be awarded the King's prize. Person winning the next highest number of games will be awarded the Queen's prize. Be sure to have score card punched and recorded.
4. Score will also be kept for the club units and the club having the highest score will be recorded as winning the session.
5. Games will cease at $12: 45 \mathrm{pm}$.
6. Banquet at 1 pm . Dennis O'Brien.....Toastmaster.
7. Games resumed at will and players may choose any opponent as games before the banquet will be only official ones for prizes."

We have no record of the winners of this "session". That it was a success is clearly demonstrated by the the fact that it was followed shortly thereafter by an even larger event in Livingston, Montana at which the Montana Chess Association was born. The story of that meet will be the subject of the next article.

Also included in the historical materials returned this year was a unique trophy belonging to the Association. According to the minutes of the 1963 MCA meeting:
"On behalf of the Kalispell Chess Club, Vern Wyman displayed a $9 \frac{1}{2}$ inch mahogany Chess King turned on a lathe by his father, Harold Wyman. He then presented it to the M.C.A., to be used as a traveling trophy, given each year to the town (with two or more players) having the highest player average (total of all game scores divided by the number of all players in the " A " and " B " class combined, from the same town)."

Since the trophy had been out of circulation since 1973, the years 1974 through 1979 were not marked. In accordance with the procedure outlined above, the crosstables for the Open tournaments in those years, and in 1980, were consulted, and the trophy list has been updated as follows:

| 1963 | Missoula | 1969 | Missoula |  | 1975 | Billings (2) | 3.5 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1964 | Missoula | 1970 | Butte |  | 1976 | Glendive (2) | 3.0 |  |
| 1965 | Missoula | 1971 | Missoula |  | 1977 | Butte (2) 3. | 0 |  |
| 1966 | Missoula | 1972 | Bozeman |  | 1978 | Billings (7) | 3.0 |  |
| 1967 | Helena | 1973 | Missoula |  | 1979 | Bozeman (2) |  |  |
| 1968 | Bozeman | 1974 | Butte (2) | 4.25 | 1980 | Great Falls | (2) 3 | 3.25 |

The numbers in parentheses denote the number of players from that town and are followed by the average of their scores. In 1978, Anaconda and Glendive also achieved an average of 3.0 with two players each, and the number of players was used as a tie-break. In 1976, both Glendive players were in the " $B$ " section, but the stated procedure does not preclude that situation.

The dates currently on the trophy extend through 1986, and there is additional room to provide space for winners through 2010, so if we don't lose it again the trophy should provide an extra element of interest at Montana Open Tournaments for many years.

Dir: Rod Weikum, Bruce Johnson Place Name Rating RD1 RD2 RD3 RD4 RD5 Score Prizes

| 1 | Doug Greenwalt | $\cdots$ | 1989 | W26 | W13 | W10 | W4 | D2 | 4 1 | =1st |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | Marc Lynn |  | 1987 | W24 | W14 | N9 | D3 | W7 | 4 ${ }^{2}-\frac{1}{2}$ | $=1 \mathrm{st}+\mathrm{T}$ |
| 3 | Steve Smith |  | 1987 | W8 | W15 | W20 | D2 | D1 | 4-1 | $=3 \mathrm{rd}$ |
| 4 | Steve Haataja | SD | 1785 | W30 | W11 | W5 | L1 | W12 | 4-1 | 1 stB |
| 5 | Jack Jones |  | 1483 | W27 | W6 | L4 | W20 | W9 | 4-1 | 1 stC |
| 6 | Bill Lynch | MT | 1820 | W23 | L5 | W25 | W14 | W11 | 4-1 | $=3 \mathrm{rd}$ |
| 7 | Wayne Presnall | NE | 1813 | $\frac{1}{2} B Y$ | W33 | W16 | W21 | L2 | 3 $\frac{1}{2}-1 \frac{1}{2}$ |  |
| 8 | Les Haynes |  | 1370 | L3 | W38 | W28 | D16 | W19 | 3 $\frac{1}{2}-1 \frac{1}{2}$ | 1 stD |
| 9 | Dan Smith |  | 1547 | W28 | W21 | L2 | W10 | L5 | 3-2 | Upset |
| 10 | Bob Burley |  | 1778 | W18 | W12 | L1 | L9 | W24 | 3-2 |  |
| 11 | David Hays |  | 1461 | W36 | I4 | W33 | W13 | L6 | 3-2 | JR T |
| 12 | Will Presnall | NE | 1441 | W35 | L10 | W29 | W15 | I4 | 3-2 |  |
| 13 | Pat Mahoney | CO | 1738 | W17 | L1 | W18 | L11 | W30 | 3-2 |  |
| 14 | Roy Livingston |  | 1589 | W37 | L2 | W17 | L6 | W21 | 3-2 |  |
| 15 | Rod Weikum |  | 1696 | W38 | L. 3 | W23 | L12 | W22 | 3-2 |  |
| 16 | Bruce Johnson |  | 1833 | D25 | W19 | L? | D8 | W26 | 3-2 |  |
| 17 | John Ott |  | UNR | L13 | W26 | L14 | W31 | W20 | 3-2 | 1stunk |
| 18 | Dale MacGavin |  | 859 | L10 | W36 | L13 | W34 | W23 | 3-2 |  |
| 19 | Steve Schmadeke | NE | 1491 | $\frac{1}{2} B Y$ | L16 | W32 | W22 | L8 | $2 \frac{1}{2}-2 \frac{1}{2}$ |  |
| 20 | John Howell | CO | 1738 | W29 | W22 | L3 | L5 | L17 | 2-3 |  |
| 21 | Tom McClew |  | 1976 | W31 | L9 | W24 | L7 | L14 | 2-3 |  |
| 22 | Ty Griffin |  | 804 | BYE | L20 | W34 | L19 | L15 | 2-3 |  |
| 23 | Keith Parker |  | 1084 | L6 | W27 | L15 | BYE | L18 | 2-3 |  |
| 24 | Richard Parker |  | 1332 | L2 | W37 | L21 | W28 | L10 | 2-3 |  |
| 25 | Dan Hays |  | 1104 | D16 | D32 | L6 | L27 | BYE | 2-3 |  |
| 26 | Gary Ritchie | MT | 1378 | L1 | L17 | W35 | W29 | L16 | 2-3 |  |
| 27 | Dan Joelson |  | NON | L5 | L23 | W36 | W25 | L32 | 2-3 |  |
| 28 | Bill Hays |  | NON | L9 | W31 | L8 | L24 | W35 | 2-3 |  |
| 29 | Bill Boyle |  | UNR | L20 | W35 | L12 | L26 | W34 | 2-3 |  |
| 30 | Richard Graff |  | 972 | I4 | L34 | BYE | WF33 | L13 | 2-3 |  |
| 31 | Mal Skarsten | SD | 1323 | L21 | L28 | W37 | L1? | W33 | 2-3 |  |
| 32 | Edwin Holden |  | 1453 | L33 | D25 | L19 | $\frac{1}{2} B Y$ | W27 | 2-3 |  |
| 33 | Tom Murray |  | NON | W32 | L? | L11 | LF30 | L31 | 1-4 |  |
| 34 | Greg Curkendall |  | UNR | --- | W30 | L22 | L18 | L29 | 1-3 |  |
| 35 | Robert Thompson |  | NON | L12 | L29 | L26 | W36 | L28 | 1-4 |  |
| 36 | Al Kirschenmann |  | NON | L11 | L18 | L27 | L35 | W3? | 1-4 |  |
| 37 | Gregory Harris |  | NON | L14 | 124 | L31 | $\frac{1}{2} B Y$ | L36 | $\frac{1}{2}-4 \frac{1}{2}$ |  |
| 38 | John Dribus |  | NON | L15 | L8 | With | rew |  | 0-2 |  |

Tied players listed in order using cumulative, median and solkoff pts.

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Bill Greer sends the following game from a match with Mike Jensen:
Greer-Jensen (Opening?) 1 e 4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bc4 Bc5 4 d4?! a exd4 5 c3 d6 b 6 cxd4 Bd4+ 7 Ne3 Nf6 $80-0$ h6 c 9 Nd5!? Nxd5?? 10 exd5 Ne? d 11 Qa4+ c6 12 Qxbl $\mathrm{Bg}^{4}$ e $13 \mathrm{Bf} 4 \mathrm{Bxf} 3 \mathrm{f} \mathrm{I}^{4} \mathrm{gxf} 3 \mathrm{Nf5} 15 \mathrm{Rfe} 1+\mathrm{Kf} 8 \mathrm{~g} 16$ Qxb7 Rb8? 17 Qxa7 Ra8 18 Qb7 Nxd4? 19 Bxd6+! Kg8 20 Re7! Qxd6 21 Qxa8+ Kh7 $22 \mathrm{Bd} 3+\mathrm{f} 523$ Qa? $\mathrm{Nxf} 3+24 \mathrm{Kf} 1 \mathrm{Nxh2}+? 25 \mathrm{Kg} 2$ Qxd5+ $\mathrm{h} 26 \mathrm{Kxh} 2 \mathrm{Qd} 6+$ i 27 Kg2 Qd5+ 28 f3 h5 29 Qd7 Qa5? 30 Bxf5+ Kh6 31 Rxg7 j̄ Black Resigns. a Our games are usually close fought with equal chances for both sides but I didn't want a draw so I chose this risky move. b If dxc3 6 Bxf7+ with strong attack or d3 6 b 4 Bb 67 Qb 3 etc. c Bg4 constrains White more and is preferable to the text. $\underline{d}$ There was nothing better. e This move would have been more effective earlier. $£$ Exchanges aren't usuall.y good when you're down material - but passive play is no good. The cext weakens White's King position, but the weakness is illusory unless White blunders. g Ne? loses to 16 Bxd6 a5 17 Qc5 h Ng4 loses to Bxf5+ i Not Qxd3 27 Rxg? Mate. j The only defense to instant mate is Qxf5, but 32 Qxf5 Kxg7 33 Rh1 brings a quick conclusion.

Round 2-Board 5 J.Jones-B.Lynch

| $1 \mathrm{P}-4$ | $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{KB} 3$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| $2 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{KB} 3$ | P-K3 |
| $3 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{N} 5$ | B-K2 |
| $4 \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{K} 3$ | P-QN3 |
| $5 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{C} 3$ | B-N2 |
| 6 QN-Q2 | P-Q3 |
| $7 \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{B4}$ | Q $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{Q} 2$ |
| 8 Q-B2 | P-K4 |
| 9 BxN | BxB |
| 10 0-0 | P-N3 |
| $11 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{K} 4$ | BxB |
| 12 QxB | 0-0 |
| $13 \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{Q} 5$ | B-N2 |
| 14 Q-B2 | P-KB4 |
| 15 QR-K1 | P-KN4 |
| $16 \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{N} 3$ | Q-B3 |
| 17 P-KR4 | P-N 5 |
| $18 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{N} 5$ | N-B4 |
| 19 P-N4 | P-KR3 |
| 20 PxN | PxN |
| 21 RPxP | QxP |
| 22 P-B6 | Q-R4 |
| 23 P-B3 | Q-R6 |
| $24 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{K} 2$ | PxP |
| 25 NxP | P-K5 |
| $26 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{R} 2$ | QxPch |
| $27 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{N} 2$ | Q-R6 |
| $28 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{R} 2$ | Q-N 5ch |
| 29 R-N2 | Q-9. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| $30 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{N} 5$ | R-B3 |
| $31 \mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{K} 6$ | R-iv 3 |
| 32 NxB | Rxis |
| 33 RxRch | KxR |
| 34 a-N2ch | Q-N3 |
| 35 RxP | Qx<ch |
| 36 KxQ | R-K1 |
| $37 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{N} 3$ | K-N3 |
| $38 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{B4}$ | R-K2 |
| 39 R-N5ch | K-B3 |
| $40 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{B5} 5 \mathrm{ch}$ | K-iN3 |
| $41 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{B8}$ | P-QR4 |
| $42 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{Q8}$ | к-B3 |
| $43 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{Q} 7$ | RxR |
| 44 PxR | K-K2 |
| $45 \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{Q} 8=\mathrm{Q}$ | Ch KxQ |
| 46 KxP | K-Q2 |
| $47 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{B} 5$ | P-B4 |
| $48 \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{R} 4$ | K-B2 |
| $49 \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{K} 4$ | P-N4 |
| 50 BPxP | P-B5 |
| $51 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{B4}$ | K-N3 |
| $52 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{K} 3$ | K-B4 |
| $53 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{Q} 2$ | K-N3 |
| $54 \mathrm{~K}-13$ | K-B4 |
| 55 P-N6 | KxF |
| 56 KxP | K-it3 |
| $57 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{Q} 4$ | K-N3 |
| $58 \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{K} 5$ | PxP |
| 59 KxP | K-B2 |
| $60 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{K} \boldsymbol{6}$ | Resigns |


| Matthew Guthrie | MS 1918 | Ed Nash | BL 1409 | Bill McBroom |
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| Kip Stubberud | HL 1882 | Richard Park | GF 1401 | Matt Bean |
| Don Kendall | BT 1869 | Garroll Salmons | CF 1399 | Guy Allies |
| Keith Bayern | BZ 1821 | Duane Hildenstab | HL 1396 | Bill Dickey |
| Bill Lynch | BL 1805 | Coyle Long | BT 1395 | Tim Montler |
| Ken Shinn | BL 1735 | Claude Laubach | CT 1370 | Gary Hewitt |
| Bob McKinnon | GF 1725 | Ray Anderson | WS 1369 | Jim Chester |
| Gordon Shuck | WH 1716 | Ed Peterson | GF 1368 | Tom Laceky |
| Bill Greer | MS 1710 | Chris Brown | DL 1364 | Joe Schabauker |
| Roberto Barajas | GF 1688 | Roger White | SU 1363 | Derrick Watson |
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| Bob Jordan | BZ 1662 | Doug Brock | MS 1351 | Mike Hoth |
| Jim Magorian | HL 1643 | Bob Perry | KS 1342 | Bob Pitman |
| Jim Loy | CF 1639 | John Hay | MS 1339 | Clark Kochivar |
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| Mark Laceky | HL 1516 | Lyle Petersen | PD 1314 | Adam Laceky |
| Merv Mecklenberg | BL 1507 | Doug Hanson | BB 1296 | Myron Larson |
| Jack Reddy | HL 1499 | Jaye Mathison | BZ 1293 | Mark Wood |
| David Prouty | MS 1497 | August Shaver | KS 1277 | Dennis McCord |
| John Wyrzykowski | BL 1485 | Tom VanZandt | DL 1263 | Troy Lemieux |
| Ted Anderson | GF 1484 | Ray Johnston | DL 1258 | Hugh Safford |
| Tony Mattina | MS 1478 | Darrell Smith | DL 1251 | Dan Ballas |
| Sam Hoomiratana | BL 1472 | Ed Sheehan | BZ 1230 | Dan Petersen |
| Don Norrid | HL 1472 | Dick Mecklenberg | BZ 1226 | Tim Tow |
| Tom Romine | BL 1470 | Steve Davis | BL 1218 | Dan McCord |
| Leslie Gunderson | BZ 1466 | Paul Hughes | BZ 1186 | Tom Gates |
| Bob McKean | MS 1464 | Steve Sherrod | HL 1182 | Mark Zylawy |
| Dave Sparks | BZ 1451 | Jeff Nichenko | MS 1182 | Dan Murray |
| Tom Booth | MS 1450 | Glen Brittingham | DL 1159 |  |
| Mike Foster | HL 1430 | Chuck Borland | BZ 1156 |  |

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Ratings include all events through and including the 1980 Montana Open Championship．
continued from Page 3． $16 \mathrm{BxB} \mathrm{RxB} 17 \mathrm{BxN} \mathrm{BxB} 18 \mathrm{RxB} N x N 19 \mathrm{RxN} \mathrm{P}-\mathrm{KB} 320 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{K} 2 \mathrm{Q}-\mathrm{K} 121 \mathrm{R} / \mathrm{Q} 1$ －K1 R－Q1 22 P－Q5 R－Q3 23 Q－B3 K－N2 24 P－B4 P－B3 25 Q－N4 P－B4 26 Q－B3 Q－QB1 27 P－B5！P－K4 28 PxP PxP 29 P－R3 Q－K1 30 P－QN3 K－B2 31 P－KN 4 P－K5 32 Q－N3 R－K4 33 Q－B4 P－B4 34 PxP PxP 35 RxP R－N3ch $36 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{R} 1 \mathrm{RxR} 37$ QxPch R－KB3 38 QxR R－B7ch $39 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{N} 3$ QxQ 40 RxQ R－QN $741 \mathrm{R}-\mathrm{K} 3 \mathrm{P}$ －N4 42 PxP PxP 43 P－KR4 P－B5 44 PxP PxP 45 R－K1 R－N6ch 46 K－B4 RxP 47 R－QB1 R－R5 48 R－B3 K－B3 49 P－R5 R－N5 $50 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{K} 4 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{N} 451 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{Q} 4 \mathrm{KxP} 52 \mathrm{RxP} \mathrm{RxR}$ ？ $53 \mathrm{KxR} \mathrm{K}-\mathrm{N} 354 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{B} 5 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{B} 255 \mathrm{~K}-\mathrm{Q} 6 \mathrm{~K}$ －K1 56 K－B7 Black Resigns．1－0

