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February 14, 2009
TN State Individual Scholastic Finals
Univ. Center, TN. Technological Ctr.
Cookeville, TN
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March 7, 2009
TN Regional Team Qualifying Tournaments
Region 1: University of Tennessee, Knoxville
Region 2: Brown Elementary School, Crossville
Region 3: Meigs Magnet School, Nashville
Region 4: Holy Rosary Parish School, Memphis
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March 21, 2009
TN State Team Scholastic Finals
Univ. Center, TN. Technological Ctr.
Cookeville, TN
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April 3–5, 2009
4th Super Nationals
Gaylord Opryland Resort, Nashville, TN
USCF: www.uschess.org

April 18, 2009
Cumberland Co. Spring Open
Cumberland Co. Community Complex, Crossville
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THE RESPONSIVE TCA: SURVEY RESULTS

A survey of the attendees at the Tenn. Class Championship was conducted. The 26 respondents stated that they desired the TCA website to include: a membership listing, a blog for each tournament, a listing of the top 100 Tennessee players, players' biographies, functionality to pay dues online, recommendations for books and software, a more-inclusive tournament calendar, speedier posting of tournament results, updating of all content, tournament game posting with game-playing chess board, and interactive chess puzzles. A few of the salient comments regarding changes to TCA tournaments include lowering the price of TCA memberships, more tournaments, and—overwhelmingly—slower time controls.

Based on the survey and business acumen, the TCA's president, Malcolm Estrada, is considering significant changes to make the TCA a more functional and attractive organization to the membership and potential donators/benefactors. He rightly feels that the organization's public image is somewhat dated and needs re-tooling; and he is instituting change *now*. (Note how speedily regional results were posted on the website!)

The Board did discuss and dismiss the idea of a membership listing because of phising and privacy issues. And there are liability issues with creating blogs. On the good side, all other suggestions will likely be implemented!

Based on the Secretaries' and Treasurer's report, the TCA currently has over 180 members and an operating budget of $15,600. None of the officers get any pay in this volunteer, 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

Tennessee Senior Open Championship
May 15–17, 2009
$550 Guaranteed Prize Fund & Plaques/Awards
Site: Fair Park Senior Center, Crossville, TN

FROM THE EDITOR

The Tenn. Class Championship experienced unexpectedly low attendance and—as a consequence of the generous prize fund detailed on pages 7 and 8—cost the TCA about $3,000. Various options for modifying the Class Championship—such as combining classes and doing away with cash-prize awards—were discussed at the TCA Board of Directors January 31st meeting. Because of the significant loss, the TCA Board decided that it behooves us to return to the NTWO format. Hence, next year's event will be formatted similarly to the past NTWO model. As for the class championship concept, it is a desirable prospect and will be re-instituted some future date.

While the low attendance at the Class Championship disappointed the organizers, I, myself, was more disappointed because no amount of begging could secure sufficient score sheets from the participants. The few scores that were obtained are included in this issue.

Of interest to those who signed a petition in Region 1 pertaining to the restriction of those scholastic players who attend a different administrative/physical division of the same school but have a breakdown of grades different from the national categorization of grades (elementary 3-6, junior high 7-9, etc.) being prevented from forming a team based on grade level alone, the Tennessee Scholastic Coordinator stated that the restriction is modeled after the United States Chess Federation's requirements for their scholastic team participants. Since he has no true preference for any model, he will look again at the structuring and determine later whether the TCA should continue following USCF practice.

On February 14th the State Individual Scholastic Finals will take place. Afterwards, on March 7th the Regional Team Qualifying Tournaments will be conducted, followed by the Team finals on March 21st. The next issue of the TCN will be an expanded issue dedicated to these scholastic events. Hence I am relying on participants and organizers to provide me with some games from the event. Please send me games from your region, annotated or not.

Prepare for the **Super Nationals** by booking your hotel now!

Tennessee Regional Individual Qualifiers

The Regional Qualifying tournaments for Tenn. scholastic players took place on January 24, 2009. The unrated 5-round events with mixed time controls of G/30 (Rounds 1 & 2) and G60 (Rounds 3-5) were held in the four regions of the state to qualify eight candidates per grade range and region for participation in the February 14th Individual Finals.

Overall, participation was up this year. Region 1 in particular saw its high school and junior high sections almost double historical levels. (Maybe the declining economy is making TTU's $4,000 & $2,500 scholarships look appealing?) On the other hand, I believe that Memphis had a few less high schooler's competing this year. So that regional participation will be easier to track in the future-and over time perhaps even forecast-the participation by Region and section is detailed in the below table:

Sectional Participation per Region					
	HS	JH	E	P	Tot
Region 1	23	17	67	56	163
Region 2	21	33	34	15	103
Region 3	26	32	50	30	138
Region 4	13	12	41	35	101

The top ten finishers in each section are shown on pages 15-18. These will not necessarily be the eight regional finalists that actually participate in the Finals, but they certainly will give you an idea of whom the candidates are. You can find the complete listing on the Tenn. Chess Association's website. To highlight the depth of talent that is being shown statewide by our scholastic players, we have two games from Patrick Tae, winner of the high school section in Region 1. (See pages 22 and 25.)

♔ **State Individual Scholastic Finals—February 14 at TTU** ♔

48th Mid-South Open

The Mid-South Open underwent additional change this year, dropping its two-day, G120 format to a one-day, G60 event. Held on November 29th, 16 players played in the Open Section and 20 players competed in the Under 1600 Section. Because of the relatively few participants, the pairings were tough and everyone emerged with at least one point.

Jerry Wheeler topped them all with an undefeated 4.5 points, giving up a draw only to the 3rd place finisher Paul Chaote. Jerry's arduous draw with Chaote is included on page 25. Donny Gray took clear second place with 4.0 points, having lost only to Wheeler. See their clash on page 25.

The **Under 1600 Section** saw **Rafi Chowdhurry** go undefeated with 5.0 points to claim the title. Four others (Chase Knowles, Teja Dasari, Patrick Coleman, and Jeff Baudendistel) trailed him and tied for 2nd-5th with 3.5 points. Two of Chowdhurry's games are showcased in this issue and other games from the event are also included. Additional games as well as crosstables can be found on the informative Memphis Chess Club's website, located at URL: http://memphischessclub.homestead.com/index.html.

Alcoa Chess Zugswang

On January 3, the Alcoa Middle School Chess Club hosted another chess tournament for scholastic players. Coordinated by David Marsh, the five-round event was staged to serve as a warmup for the upcoming Tennessee Individuals. Hence it had time controls similar to the scholastic qualifiers: Rounds 1 and 2, G30 SD; and Rounds 3-5, G60 SD. It had been advertised as a 5-section tournament but was modified to run as a three-section rated event because of the relatively low participation due to the hastiness of the event's formation and announcement. For sure, the event was greatly appreciated by the locals and many thanks are passed to the East Tenn. Scholastic Coordinator, David Marsh.

Nathan Lohr won the 7-player **Primary Section** with an undefeated score of 4.5 points. Moreover, his brother, Bryant, took second place with 4.0 points, dropping a point only to Nathan in their 5th round encounter. In the **Elementary Section, winner Christopher**

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Prize Listing for Tenn. Class Championship

Forty-eight players from 6 states participated in the Tenn. Class Championship that was held on Jan. 17-18 in Nashville, TN. Below is a listing of the winners in the various classes and a listing of the prizes awarded. Because several of the lower classes (C&D, E&F, and G&UNR) had such low participation, they were combined. See the crosstables on pages 33-36 for more detail.

2009 TENNESSEE CLASS CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

OPEN	8 PLAYERS	PRIZE
1ST PLACE	RONALD BURNETT	$350.00 & PLAQUE
2ND PLACE	TODD ANDREWS	$175.00
3RD PLACE TIE	HENRY ROBINSON	$75.00
3RD PLACE TIE	JERRY WHEELER	$75.00
1ST U2200	BILL HALL	$125.00 & PLAQUE
2ND U2200	JOSHUA SUICH	$100.00

CLASS A	6 PLAYERS	PRIZE
1ST PLACE	JEFFREY KOVALIC	$225.00 & PLAQUE
2ND PLACE TIE	GAINER PHAY	$125.00
2ND PLACE TIE	BENJAMIN HARRIS	$125.00

CLASS B	7 PLAYERS	PRIZE
1ST PLACE	ALI HAMDEN ALATAIWI	$225.00 & PLAQUE
2ND PLACE TIE	JOSHUA SALTER	$62.50
2ND PLACE TIE	BIN LI	$62.50
2ND PLACE TIE	ROBERT STEPP	$62.50
2ND PLACE TIE	ZAKI TANAS	$62.50

CLASS C	6 PLAYERS	PRIZE
1ST PLACE TIE	DAVID BERTRAM	$100.00 & PLAQUE
1ST PLACE TIE	B. WIEB VANDER MEER	$100.00
1ST PLACE TIE	ROBERT MAHAN	$100.00
1ST PLACE TIE	VICTOR SUICH	$100.00

2009 TENNESSEE CLASS CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS (con't)

CLASS D	3 PLAYERS	PRIZE
1ST PLACE TIE	ANTHONY BALLOU	$162.50 & PLAQUE
1ST PLACE TIE	ROY MANNERS	$162.50 + PLAQUE
3RD PLACE	TIMOTHY MARTINDALE	$75.00

CLASS E	8 PLAYERS	PRIZE
1ST PLACE TIE	ALEXANDER QIN	$137.50 + PLAQUE
1ST PLACE TIE	JAMES RICHARDS JR	$137.50
3RD PLACE	JON HAMMETT	$75

CLASS F	2 PLAYERS	PRIZE
1ST PLACE	ALBERT XUE	PLAQUE
2ND PLACE	NATHAN BAULCH	PLAQUE

CLASS G	6 PLAYERS	PRIZE
1ST PLACE	HUNTER MARSH	PLAQUE
2ND PLACE	THOMAS GIAMPIETRO	PLAQUE
3RD PLACE	DEAN ESLINGER	PLAQUE

CLASS UNR	2 PLAYERS	PRIZE
1ST PLACE	ASHRAF ARMANIOS	PLAQUE

Tenn. Class Ch—Class E & F
Nathan Baulch-840 vs. Alexander Qin-1068 (Co-Champion)

1. c4 Nf6 2. d3 e5 3. Nc3 Bb4 4. Bd2 Nc6 5. Nf3 O-O 6. g3 d6 7. Bg2 Bd7 8. O-O h6 9. a3 Bxc3 10. Bxc3 Re8 11. Re1 e4 12. Nd2 exd3 13. exd3 Bg4 14. Rxe8+ Qxe8 15. Qc2 Nh7 16. h3 Bd7 17. Be4 Ng5 18. Re1 Targetting Black's queen! **Nxh3+ 19. Kf1 Be6 20. Bf5 Qd7 21. Be4?** (21. Rxe6 fxe6 22. Bxh3 +-) **21... f5 22. Bd5?** (22. Bg2 Ng5 (22... f4 23. Rxe6 Qxe6 24. Bd5) 23. f4 Nf7 24. d4 d5 25. Rxe6 Qxe6 26. cxd5) **22... Bxd5 23. cxd5 Ne7 24. b4** (24. f4 Nxd5 25. Qb3 c6 26. Kg2 Nhxf4+ 27. gxf4) **24... Nxd5 25. Qb2 Nxc3 26. Qxc3 f4 27. g4 Qxg4 28. Re7 Qg1+ 29. Ke2 Nxf2 30. Nf3 Qg2 31. Qd4 Ne4+ 32. Ke1 Nf6 33. Qxf4 Rf8 34. Qf5 Ng4 35. Qg6 Qf2+ 36. Kd1 Ne3+ 37. Rxe3 Qxe3 38. Nh4 Rf2 39. Nf5 Qd2# 0-1**

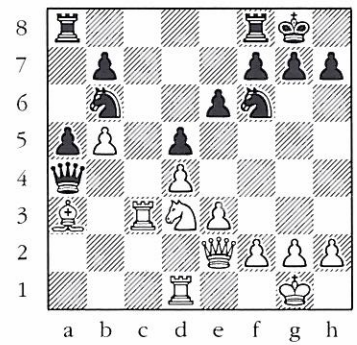
2008 KNOXVILLE CHAMPIONSHIP

The Knoxville Championship (now termed the David E. Burris Memorial) was held on successive Thursdays from October 23-December 4, 2008. **Peter Bereolos** again emerged as the Champion for the tenth time consecutive time, having won 11 of the last 12 championships. Matthew Marsh came in second with 4.0 points, having given up his only loss to Pete. Pete's games with Matthew and Corry Marsh are included in this issue. The **Knoxville Amateur Championship** (for those rated less than 2000), which ran concurrent with the City Championship, saw a three-way tie for first with **Robert Hydzik** (last year's winner), **Robert Cavalletto**, and Chase Phillips each getting 4.0 points. But Phillips is not eligible to be honored as a co-champion because he is from North Carolina.

2009 NASHVILLE CHAMPIONSHIP

The Nashville Championship was a six-player round robin that was held from January 10-11 at the Nashville Chess Center. **Ronald Burnett** became champion by a full point by winning over the 2007 Champion Todd Andrews and drawing last year's co-champ Jerry Wheeler. This gives Burnett his 5th city championship title. The clash between Andrews and Burnett for top honors is included on below. Andrews, who came in second, scored some impressive tactical victories himself. Especially exciting is his game with David Justice, which appears on page 31. The crosstable for the Championship is on the adjacent page.

Nashville Championship
Todd Andrews
Ronald Burnett
1. d4 d5 2. c4 c6 3. Nf3 Nf6 4. Nc3 dxc4 5. a4 Bf5 6. e3 e6 7. Bxc4 Bb4 8. O-O O-O 9. Qe2 Bg6 10. Rd1 Nbd7 11. Na2 Bd6 12. b4? Playing back to c3 to control e4 was proper. **Qe7 13. Bb2 a5** (Fritz suggests Nb6 and snatching the pawn: 13... Nb6 14. Bb3 Bxb4 15. Nxb4 Qxb4 16. Nd2 Rfe8 17. Ba3 Qc3=/+) **14. b5 Nb6 15. Bb3 Be4 16. Nc3 Bd5 17. Nxd5 cxd5 18. Rac1 Ba3 19. Ne5 Qb4 20. Nd3?** Necessary was Bxa3. **Qxb3 21. Rc3 Qxa4 22. Bxa3**



Ne4! 0-1

2008 KNOXVILLE CITY CHAMPIONSHIP CROSSTABLE							
Pairing # & Player	Rnd1	Rnd2	Rnd3	Rnd4	Rnd5	Rnd6	Tot
Sanchit Wadhawan-1278	x	0	0	0	0	0	0
Matthew Marsh - 2067	1	x	1	1	0	1	4.0
David Mueller - 1666	1	0	x	1	0	.5	2.5
Robert Hydzik - 1575	1	0	0	x	0	0	1.0
Peter Bereolos - 2331	1	1	1	1	x	.5	4.5
Corry Marsh - 1721	1	0	.5	1	.5	x	3.0

2008 NASHVILLE CITY CHAMPIONSHIP CROSSTABLE						
Pairing # & Player	Rnd1	Rnd2	Rnd3	Rnd4	Rnd5	Tot
Ronald Burnett - 2392	W4	W2	W5	D6	D3	4.0
Todd Andrews - 2391	W6	L1	D3	W5	D4	3.0
Jerry Wheeler - 2200	L5	D6	D2	W4	D1	2.5
Ali H. Alataiwi- 1831	L1	W5	W6	L3	D2	2.5
David Justice - 2053	W3	L4	L1	L2	D6	1.5
Gainer Phay - 2002	L2	D3	L4	D1	D5	1.5

Land of the Sky

One hundred and 99 players competed in the Land of the Sky tournament held in Asheville, NC on January 23-25. In the Open Section, Tennesseans Peter Bereolos came in 8th with 3.5 points, Jerry Wheeler came in 14th place with 3.0 points, and Michael Carroll (rated 1898) came in 27th with 2.0 points. (Alexander Ivanov won the event with 4.5 points.) In the Amateur Section (Under 2000), Tennesseans William Remick came in 34th place with 2.5 points and Robert Presswood came in 66th with 1 point.

Memphis Qualifier

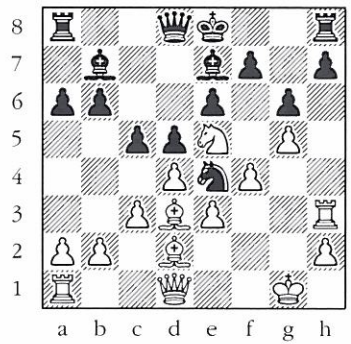
The 2009 Memphis Candidates tournament was held on January 3-4. The 5 round Swiss event had mixed time controls of G90 and later G120. It was played to determine the eight players who would be eligible to participate in the Memphis Championship.

Edgar Davison finished first in the qualifying event with 4.0 points. His two draws were taken by the second- (Graham Horobetz) and third-place (Aaron Smith) finishers who tied with Jonathan Beatty with 3.5 points for 2nd-4th place honors. Critical games between the top finishers were obtained from the Memphis chess club's website (http://www.memphischess.com/candidates2009.html) and are included in this issue. Additionally, three of the games between the top candidates in the Memphis Championship are also included.

2009 Memphis Candidates
Carlos Sims-1988
Graham Horobetz-1941

This tense battle between the 5th and 2nd place finisher took place in the 5th round.

1. d4 Nf6 2. e3 d5 3. Bd3 e6 4. Nd2 c5 5. c3 b6 6. f4 Bb7 7. Ngf3 Nbd7 8. O-O Be7 9. Ne5 a6 10. Rf3 Ne4 11. Rh3 Ndf6 12. g4 Nxd2 13. Bxd2 Ne4 14. g5 g6

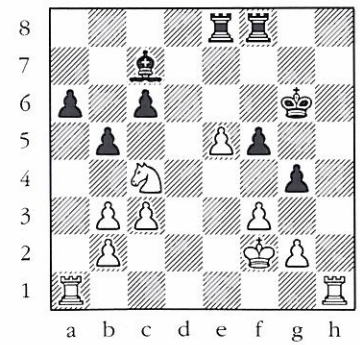


Better was Bd6 to eliminate the knight. Now White can obtain an initiative by killing Black's knight and planning operations on the dark squares of the kingside: 15. Bxe4 dxe4 16. dxc5 bxc5 (16... Bxc5 17. c4 b5 18. Qe1 bxc4 19. Bc3) 17. Qb3 +/- **15 Be1 b5 16. Kh1** Still strong is Bxe4, since Black's king is almost stuck in the center: 16. Bxe4 dxe4 17. dxc5 Bxc5 18. c4 **16... c4 17. Bxe4 dxe4 18. a3 Bd6 19. Ng4 Be7= 20. Bh4** Planning Nf6+ but Black's next move cancels out all thoughts of winning. **h5! 21. Nf6+ Bxf6 22. gxf6 a5 23. Rg3 Qd7 24. Qe2 a4 25. Rg5 Bd5 26. Rag1 O-O-O 1/2-1/2**

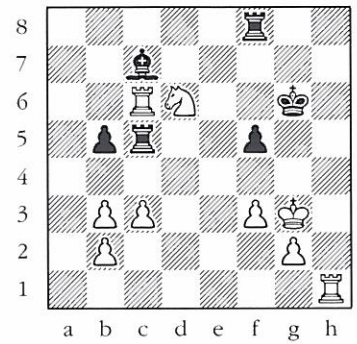
2009 Memphis Candidates
Edgar Davison-1851
Carlos Sims-1988

This grueling 4th round encounter jeopardized Carlos's chances of getting into the championship match. (Incidentally, Carlos got his revenge in the City championship!)

1. d4 Nf6 2. Nf3 g6 3. Bf4 d6 4. h3 Bg7 5. e3 O-O 6. Be2 c6 7. O-O Qb6 8. Qc1 Bf5 9. Nbd2 Nd5 10. Bg5 h6 11. Bh4 g5 12. Bg3 The aggressive pawn advances by Black served only to strengthen White. Black must now retreat – another consequence of neglected development – to prevent e4. **Nf6 13. Ne1** The straightforward Bd3 was better. **Nbd7 14. Bd3 Bxd3 15. Nxd3 Nh5 16. Bh2 f5 17. Qd1** Better was c4 but White has ideas of walling off Black's bishop. **Nhf6 18. h4 Rae8 19. hxg5 hxg5 20. c3 Ng4 21. Qb3+ Qxb3 22. axb3 Nxh2 23. Kxh2 a6 24. Nf3 Bf6 25. Ra5 e6** Better was e5. **26. Rh1 Kg7 27. Kg1 Bd8** Still good was e5. **28. Ra1 Kg6 29. Nd2 Nf6 30. f3 Bc7 31. Nc4 Nh5 32. Kf2 g4 33. Nf4+ Nxf4 34. exf4 e5 35. dxe5 dxe5 36. fxe5 b5?**



37. Rxa6 Re6 38. Nd6 g3+? 39. Kxg3 Rxe5 40. Rxc6 Rc5



This is a nice little combination but Black has given up too many pawns. **41. Rxc7 Rxc7 42. Nxb5 f4+ 43. Kf2 Rd7 44. Nd4 Rc8 45. Re1 Ra8 46. Re2 Rh7 47. Ke1 Rh1+ 48. Kd2 Rg1 49. b4 Ra2 50. Kc2 Ra6 51. b5 Rd6 52. Kb3 Rf6 53. Kc4 Rh1 54. Kc5 Rf8 55. b6 Rc8+ 56. Kb4** Kd6 is safe enough. **Rh5 57. Re6+ Kf7 58. Rc6** (58. b7 Rb8 59. Rb6 Rg5 60. Nc6) **58... Rb8 59. Rc7+ Ke8** More resistant was Kg6. **60. b7 Rh8 61. Rc8+** The simple Nc6 was better, and playing Kc5 to support the pawn was another surer win. **Kd7 62. Rxh8 Rxh8 63. Kb5 Rb8?** Much more stubborn was Kc7: 63... Kc7 64. Ne6+ (64. Ka6 Rh1) 64... Kxb7 65. Nxf4 **64. Ka6** Better was Kb6. **Kc7 65. Ne6+ Kc6 66. Nd4+ Kc7 67. Ne6+ Kc6 68. b4 Re8 69. Ka7 Re7 70. Nc5 Rc7 71. Ka8 Rxb7 72. Nxb7 Kd5 73. b5 Kc4 74. b6 Kd3 75. Nc5+ Ke2 76. Ne6 Kf2 77. Nxf4 Kg3 78. b7 Kxf4 79. b8=R** and Black mated on the 91st move.

2009 Memphis Championship
Carlos Sims-1988
Aaron Smith-1848

1. d4 d6 2. c4 c6 3. Nc3 Nf6 4. e4 Qc7 5. f4 e5 6. Nf3 Nbd7 7. Be2 Be7 8. O-O O-O 9. f5 If White is playing to restrict Black's pieces, this is not the way. A move like h3 or Qc2 was advisable to see how Black was planning on becoming active. After this committal move, Black has more options. **exd4 10. Nxd4 Ne5 = 11. Kh1 b6** Better would be Qb6 or Bd7. **12. Qe1 Bb7 13. Qg3 Kh8 14. Bf4 Nfd7** Better was the immediate a6, threatening c5. **15. Rad1 a6 16. h3 c5** Now c5 is not so strong since there is no double attack on e4. Now the move just emphasizes the backwardness of the d-pawn. Bf6 or b5 would have been better. **17. Nf3 Nxf3 18. Rxf3 Ne5 19. Bxe5 dxe5 20. Rfd3 Rad8 21. Rxd8 Rxd8 22. Rxd8+** The first swap was okay, but the swap of the second rook is bad because it brings about an easily defensible endgame. Nd5 seemed much stronger. **Bxd8 23. Qd3 Bc6** Bg5 might have been a better method of contesting the d-file (after Qd8), but White still has nothing tangible. **24. Nd5 Qd7 25. Qc3 f6 26. b4** Keeping the pawns together with cxb4 was better, and even Bxd5 holds an easy draw with dissimilar bishops. **h6 27. bxc5 bxc5 28. Qa3 Qa7 29. Qd3 Qb7 30. Nb4!?**

Qxb4?? Better was Bc7 or Be7, denying the queen any entry points. Now Black is caught in a mating net. **31. Qxd8+ Kh7 32. Bh5 1-0**

Memphis Championship Qualier
Andres Hortillosa-1958
Jonathan Beatty-1715

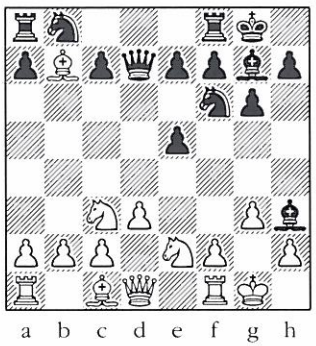
This 5th round encounter nearly cost Hortillosa a spot in the championship. And in the actual championship battle between these two, Beatty proves that his win was no accident.

1. e4 e6 2. d3 c5 3. g3 Nc6 4. Bg2 d6 5. f4 g6 6. Nf3 Bg7 7. c3 Qb6 Perhaps to restrain d4? **8. O-O Nge7 9. h3 O-O 10. Kh2 Bd7 11. Nbd2 a6 12. Nc4 Qc7 13. Ne3 f5 = 14. Ng5 h6 15. Nf3 e5 16. Nd5 Nxd5 17. exd5 Ne7 =/+ 18. Qb3 Kh7 19. Bd2 Rae8 20. Rae1 b5 21. c4?** Now Black gets an unobstructed diagonal for his bishop and the open b-file upon which

to post his rook—as well as several tempi. **bxc4 22. dxc4** Though probably losing in the long run, Qxc4 was forced, keeping a pawn on d3 to contest e4. **e4 -+** Fritz11 already gives Black a 2-point advantage. **23. Ng1 Rb8 24. Qa3 Bxb2 25. Qa5 Qxa5 26. Bxa5 Rb7 27. Rb1 Rfb8 28. Ne2 Ba4 29. Rbe1 Bc2 30. Nc1 Bxc1** Removing a defender and reducing counter play. Now White's queenside is razed. **31. Rxc1 Bd3 32. Rf2 Nc8** Of course Rb1 was stronger but White is still powerless. **33. Bf1 Bxf1 34. Rcxf1 Rb2 35. Bc3 Rxf2+ 36. Rxf2 Rb1 37. Rc2 Kg8 38. Kg2 Kf7 39. g4 Nb6 40. Ba5 Na4 41. gxf5 gxf5 42. Kg3** Properly avoiding the swap of rooks and the inevitability of the endgame. **Rb2 43. Rc1 Rxa2 44. Kh4 Nb2 45. Bc7 Nd3 46. Rf1 Ke8** (46... e3 47. Rh1 e2) **47. Rg1 e3 48. Rg3 e2 49. Ba5 Rxa5 50. Re3+ Kd7 51. Rxe2 Nxf4 52. Rf2 Nxh3** The simple Ng6+ was best, but Black prefers his queenside pawns to bring home the win. **53. Kxh3 Ra3+ 54. Kh4 Rc3 55. Rf4 Rd3 56. Kh5 Rd4 57. Rxf5 Rxc4 58. Kxh6 Re4 59. Rf7+ Re7 60. Rf4 Kc7 61. Kg6 Re5 62. Rf7+ Kb6 63. Kf6 Rxd5 64. Ke6 Rd3 65. Rf4 a5 66. Kd7 Kb5 67. Rf8 a4 68. Rb8+ Kc4 69. Kc6 a3 70. Ra8 Kb3 71. Rb8+ Kc2 72. Ra8 Kb2 73. Rb8+ Rb3 0:1**

Mid-South
Dasari Teja -1576
Rafi Chowdhury -1633

1. e4 d6 2. g3 Nf6 3. d3 g6 4. Bg2 Bg7 5. Nc3 O-O 6. Nge2 Bg4 Black needs to be aware of the vulnerability of b7. **7. O-O Qd7 8. e5 dxe5 9. Bxb7 Bh3?!**



With Nc6 Black could have limited White to only a small plus because he would assume control of many white squares: 9... Nc6 10. Bxa8 Rxa8 11. f3 Bh3 12. Rf2 **10. Re1** Better was Bxa8 since Bxf1 would give White a big advantage. Now Black will maintain chances on the white squares. (10. Bxa8! c6 11. Re1 Na6 12. d4) **10... Nc6 11. Bxa8 Rxa8 12. Ne4 Nxe4** Better was Bg4 or Qf5, dominating the white squares instead of giving up control of f5. **13. dxe4 Qe6 14. Nc3 Rd8 15. Bd2 Nd4 16. Nd5?** Required was f3. **Bg4 17. Qc1 Nf3+ 18. Kf1** *(continued on page 22)*

Top-10 Region 1 Qualifiers

HIGH SCHOOL		
Tae, Patrick John	2193	5.0
Marsh, Matthew	2116	4.0
Suich, Peter D	1894	4.0
Gotwals, Clayton K	1538	3.5
Klawonn, Matthew	1003	3.5
Madhukar, Neel	1031	3.5
Bejnood, Alborz	1600	3.0
Dahotre, Shreyas	1327	3.0
Suarez, Luke Andre	1170	3.0
Tanner, Mitchell	nnnn	3.0
JUNIOR HIGH		
Marsh, Corry L	1714	4.5
Simonsen, Andrew	1258	4.0
Lynn, Joshua	1036	3.5
John, Yohan	939	3.5
Blue, Charles	1227	3.0
Suich, Victoria E	902	3.0
Suresh, Gautam	820	3.0
Baerman, Elliot	1202	2.5
Martin, Samir	952	2.5
Noon, Keaton	442	2.5
ELEMENTARY		
Fu, Jason	1401	5.5
Smith, Kai Alan	1168	5.0
Gellert, Isabel	1029	5.0
Wadhawan, Sanchit	1310	5.0
Xue, Albert S.	919	5.0
Schult,Chris	851	5.0
Hong, Kevin	740	4.5
Hoyos, Jordan	864	4.5
Waraksa, Nicholas	695	4.0
Hunn, Jered	421	4.0
PRIMARY		
Nodit, Paul Gabrie	689	5.0
Perumalla, Abhinav	732	4.0
Geibig, Joseph	nnnn	4.0
Hodge, James M	723	4.0
Zhao, Guanchen	nnnn	4.0
Marsh, Hunter	696	4.0
Carter, Mekhi Dant	840	4.0
Gellert, Adrian H	660	4.0
Powers, Zackery	321	3.5
Chen, Kevin	nnnn	3.5

Top-10 Region 2 Qualifiers

HIGH SCHOOL		
Hinchman, Philip	1966	5.0
Sloan, Aaron M	1160	4.0
Howard, Michael	1327	3.5
Dunbar, Steven L	994	3.5
Donnan, Matthew	763	3.0
Ridge, William	775	3.0
Hammett, Jon	1069	3.0
Edmonds, Lucas	1194	3.0
Wallace, Aaron	894	3.0
Lillis, Austin	846	3.0
JUNIOR HIGH		
Warren, Jonathan	1061	5.0
Carter, Cary	1155	4.0
Houston, Charlie	1280	4.0
Houston, CJ	1032	4.0
Couture, Cody	1028	3.5
Miles, Christopher	817	3.5
De Bruyn, Parker	571	3.5
Venkatesh, Bharath	828	3.0
Hinchman, Ruth	856	3.0
Sharpe, Trevor	nnnn	3.0
ELEMENTARY		
McClung, Noah	1089	5.0
Thompson, David	764	4.0
Sharpe, Kyle	nnnn	4.0
Webber, Zachary	332	4.0
Gill, Briana Mae	459	4.0
Harrelson, Samuel	677	4.0
Back, Alecia N	216	3.5
Hamlin, Charlie	174	3.5
Martin, Joseph	632	3.0
Martin, Jonathan	105	3.0
PRIMARY		
Lohr, Justin	693	5.0
Lohr, Nathan J	592	4.0
Simmons, Joshua	nnnn	3.5
Lohr, Bryant E	636	3.0
McClung, Mercy	390	3.0
McClung, Silas	292	3.0
Webber, Nicholas	342	2.5
Thelen, Andrew	nnnn	2.5
Back, Brandon C	143	2.0
Shibata, Eric	nnnn	2.0

Top-10 Region 3 Qualifiers

HIGH SCHOOL		
Nair, Manu	1603	5.0
Schafer, Jacob	1502	4.0
Berrett, Koty	1278	4.0
True, Nathaniel	964	4.0
Deal Matthew	623	4.0
Bryer, Max	1371	3.0
Riling, Kyle	1232	3.0
Reichard, Wally	nnnn	3.0
Agostina, Michael	1503	3.0
Brinkley, Trevor	nnnn	3.0
JUNIOR HIGH		
Kumar, Vikas	1726	5.0
Santoro, Joey	1203	4.0
Amarthaluru, Venkata	1226	4.0
Gudibanda, Aditya	1283	3.5
Konjeti, Ravi	1189	3.5
Franklin, Shane	1216	3.5
Kitchens, Kelsey	1205	3.5
Fan, David	1387	3.5
Yang, Andrew	1498	3.0
Douthitt, Autumn	1119	3.0
ELEMENTARY		
Mirnics, Marco	1221	4.5
Welch, Christopher	1221	4.5
Bonvissuto, Gregory	1243	4.5
Tomlin, Nicholas	1226	4.0
Zheng, Neil	1062	4.0
Narayanan, Kirthi	1097	4.0
Boeger, Reed	946	4.0
Bonvissuto, Anthony	796	4.0
Melzer, Henry	866	3.5
Zhang, Alvin	941	3.5
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Ashton, Hunter	669	4.0
Harman, Aubrie	675	3.5
Panak, Ben	727	3.5
Zhao, Shijie Jack	613	3.5
Bonvissuto, Dominic	531	3.5
Dennis, Patrick	289	3.5
Maddux, Ruff	697	3.5
Hall, Fort	164	3.5
Dai, Wei David	524	3.0

Top-10 Region 4 Qualifiers

HIGH SCHOOL		
Beatty, Jonathan	1715	4.5
Reddy, Nishit	1685	3.5
Knowles, Chase	1665	3.5
Horobetz, Graham	1916	3.0
Gibson, Graham	1540	3.0
Cather, Rafi	1685	3.0
Woodbury III, George	1833	2.5
Parvathareddy, Rohit	1532	2.5
Law, Samuel	1225	2.0
Houston, Garrett	1418	2.0
JUNIOR HIGH		
Vogt, Nathan	792	4.5
Dasari, Teja	1588	3.5
Berryhill, Jordan	1385	3.5
Carrillo, Oscar	1335	3.0
Peravali, Rahul	1281	2.5
Berryhill, Jansen	1264	2.5
Rajesh, Arjun	1347	2.5
Cherukuri, Uday	1358	2.5
Adusumilli, Nagasai	1396	2.5
Palanisamy, Dilip	771	2.0
ELEMENTARY		
Dupont, Randon	1250	4.5
Friedman, Max	1137	4.0
Burgess, Carter	1149	4.0
Stafford, Joseph	1463	4.0
Gazulapalli, Anoop	1175	4.0
Sernel, Ragan	1203	4.0
Berryhill, Jenner	1210	3.5
Jambulapati, Arun	1209	3.5
Mummareddy,Harisan..	1006	3.5
Pamula, Vishnu	933	3.0
PRIMARY		
Webb, Bays	814	4.0
Burgess, Shaun	992	4.0
Lingareddy, Pranay	949	4.0
Padmanabha, Akaash	801	4.0
Epparla, Anurag	608	4.0
Moody, Jackson	942	3.5
Herron, Trey	525	3.0
Schnadelbach, Kevin	925	3.0
Rotz, Michael	714	3.0
Bhat, Nina	674	3.0

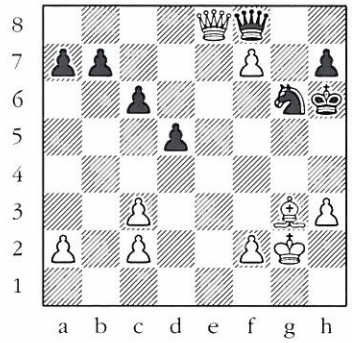
SCHOLASTIC CORNER:

Exchanging to a Superior Endgame

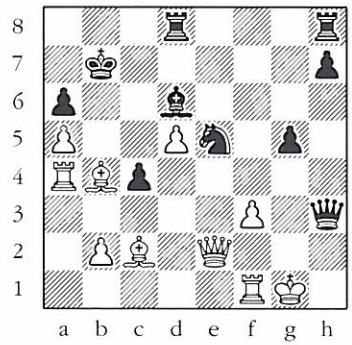
A well-known rule is to exchange your opponent's pieces once you have secured a sizeable endgame advantage (a sound pawn upwards to a piece) so that your opponent won't be able to generate complications through counter play. Edmar Mednis, a renowned endgame expert, further advises that to keep from prematurely exchanging queens you should ask yourself: ***"What is the essence of the position: what is it that gives me this middlegame advantage?."***

If your king is safe and you have an easy-to-follow plan of attack, you should continue the game with queens on the board. Otherwise, reducing the material complications and simplifying to a won endgame is best. It should also be stressed that such decisions should be based on the position on the board and not fear (of losing or opponent).

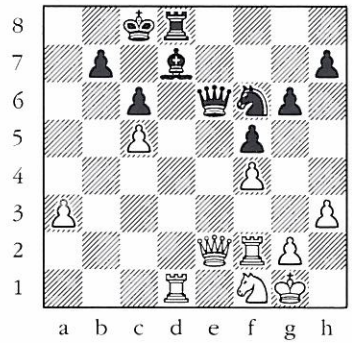
Following are instructive puzzles on when simplifying to an endgame may be correct. Using Mednis' advice, you'll be asked to make a choice in the first three diagrams of either retaining or swapping the queens. (Answers are on found on page 22.)



Diag. 1 J. Polgar–Istratescu
Olympiad, Rnd 4, 11.16.08
30. Qxf8 or 30. Be5?

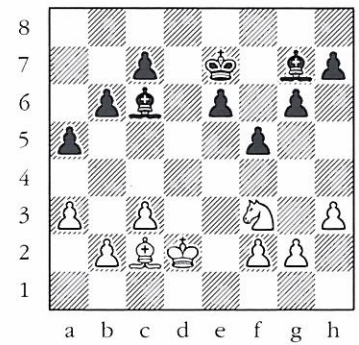


Diag. 2 Farago–Radulov
Baille Herculane, 1982.
29... Qg3+ or 29... g4?

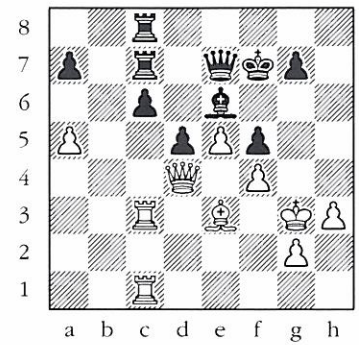


Diag. 3. Qxe6 or Qb2?

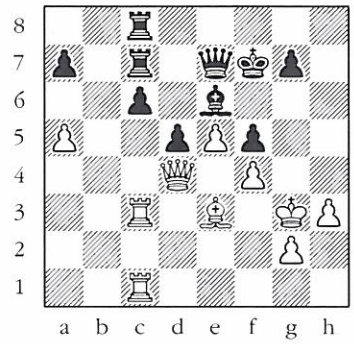
Another rule of simplification is: ***pay attention to which pieces will remain on the board after the exchange.*** Diagram 4 and Diag. 5 illustrate this principle (which could lead to an unwinnable opposite-colored bishop endgame). (See Bereolos's 39th move against C. Marsh on page 24 for another example. Also, take into account **where the pieces remain after an exchange** so that you can avoid entering a theoretically drawn ending. Diag. 6 illustrates this.



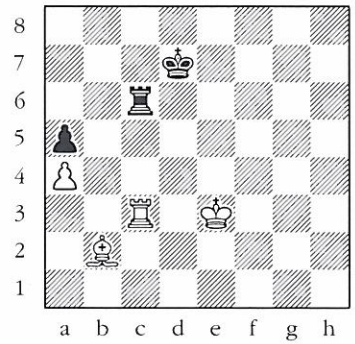
Diag. 4 Black to move.
Bxf3 or e5?



Diag. 5 Timman–Salov
Saint John, 1988. Black to move.
29... Bd7 or 29... c5?



Diag. 5 Timman–Salov
Saint John, 1988. Black to move.
29... Bd7 or 29... c5?



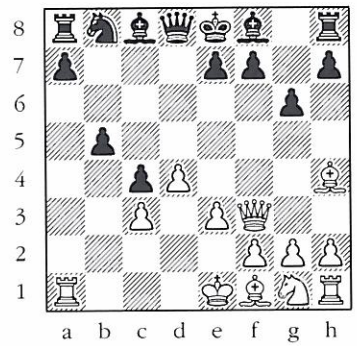
Diag. 6 White to move.
Rxc6 or Rd3+?

Learning to appreciate the endgame is one of the more resistant stages in a beginner's growth. This attitude starts with "It's just a pawn" and continues on as the gifted beginner blows his less-tactically skilled opponents off the board. The harm here is that abiding in a tactical middlegame pursuing mate can blind them to the certainty of the endgame.

2008 Knoxville Ch (2)
Matthew Marsh-2067
Corry Marsh-1721

Matthew shows his brother no mercy as he severely disciplines him for trying to hold the c-pawn in a Grunfeld-like Queen's Gambit Accepted.

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 g6 3. Nc3 d5 4. Bg5 Ne4 5. Bh4 Nxc3 6. bxc3 dxc4 7. e3 b5?! If Black is attempting to hold the pawn, then Qd5 is the better try. Better still is to ignore the pawn and try to transpose into a sort of Grunfeld Defense. **8. a4 c6?** Perhaps Bd7? **9. axb5 cxb5 10. Qf3** Resignation would not be premature.

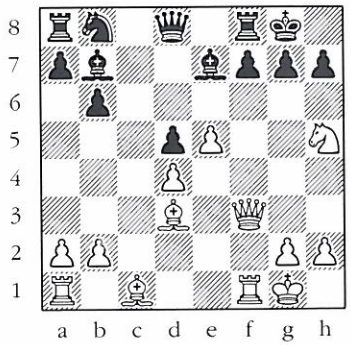


Qd7 11. Qxa8 Nc6 12. Be2 Quicker is d5. **Nd8 13. Qxa7 Qf5 14. Bf3 Qc2 15. Ne2 g5 16. Bxg5 Rg8 17. Bh4 Qf5 18. Qc5 Qd7 19. Ra7 Qe6 20. Nf4 Qd6 21. Qxc8 Rg4 22. Bxg4 Qxf4 23. Bd7# 1-0**

♔-♔-♔-♔-♔-♔-♔-♔

Memphis Candidates
Carlos Sims - 1988
Nishit Reddy - 1685

1. e4 c5 2. c3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4. cxd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 e6 6. Bd3 Be7 7. Nge2 Nbd7 8. f4 (Already eyeing e5.) **b6** Black should have first castled since this would have provided his knight a retreat. **9. e5 +- dxe5 10. fxe5 Nd5 11. Nxd5 exd5 12. O-O O-O 13. Nf4** White's attacks flows naturally with little calculation required. **Nb8 14. Qf3 Bb7 15. Nh5**



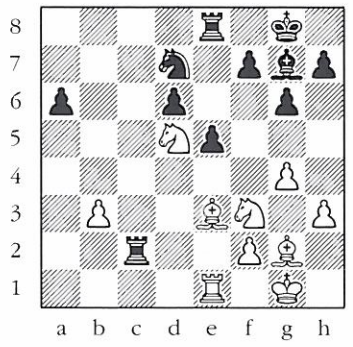
Bg5?? Worried of Nxg, Black misses his chance to get rid of one of the attacking bishops with Ba6. He still would be lost but he would at least have some respite on the white squares. **16. Qh3** Threatening Nf6+ and mate. **h6** 17. Qg3 (Even quicker is: 17. Nf6+ Bxf6 (If gxf, then Qf5 wins.) 18. exf6 Ba6 19. Qg3 g5 20. Bxa6 Nxa6 21. Bxg5. **17... g6 18. Nf6+ Bxf6 19. Rxf6 Qe7 20. Bxh6 Nd7 21. Bg5 Kg7 22. Rxg6+ 0-1**

Teja-Chowdhury, cont.

Nxe1 (18... Bh3+! 19. Ke2 Qg4 20. Be3 c6) **19. Kxe1 Bf3 20. Nxc7?? Qc4 0:1**

Region 1 Qualifier (4)
Matthew Marsh-2113
Patrick Tae-2193

1. d4 d6 2. Nf3 Nf6 3. c4 c6 4. Nc3 Nbd7 5. e4 e5 6. g3 Be7 7. Bg2 O-O 8. O-O Qc7 9. h3 a6 10. a4 Re8 11. Re1 Rb8 Better was a5 or exd4. 12. a5 b5 Patrick likes to stay active so that his tactical ability will be a factor. **13. axb6 Nxb6 14. b3** Though White certainly maintains an edge with the game continuation, Fritz shows an even bigger advantage for White upon capturing the e-pawn: 14. dxe5 dxe5 15. Nxe5 +/- **14... Nfd7 15. Be3 Bf6 16. Rb1 Bb7 17. d5** A mite stronger was c5. **cxd5 18. exd5 +/- g6 19. g4 Bg7 20. Qc2 Rbc8 21. Rbc1 Bxd5 22. cxd5 Nxd5 23. Nxd5 Qxc2 24. Rxc2 +/- Rxc2**



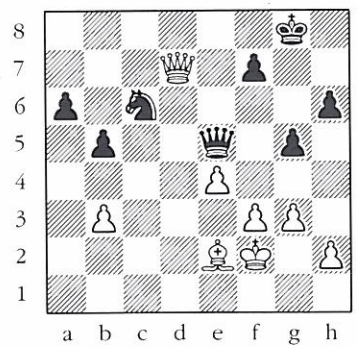
25. Ra1? With Nd2 White would have maintained the advantage without problems. **f5!?** Perhaps White was expecting e4: 25... e4 26. Nd4 Rc5 27. Nf4 a5 = **26. Rxa6** (26. Ne1 Rb2 27. gxf5 gxf5 28. Nc7 +/-) **26... f4 27. Bb6?** Ba7 was necessary. **Rc1+ 28. Bf1 e4 29. Nd2 Nxb6 30. Nxb6 e3 0-1**

Answers to Scholastic Corner

#1 Judith relied on her end game skills and played 30. Qxf8?!-but failed to win.
#2 Winning is 29... g4!
#3 Best is Qb2, continuing the attack.
#4 Definitely e5.
#5 Salov trusted his endgame technique and swapped off all the major pieces with 29... c5!, securing an easy draw.
#6 Rd3+ has to be played, otherwise White can't win because of the wrong-colored bishop.

Knoxville Championship (5)
November 20, 2008
Matthew Marsh-2067
Peter Bereolos-2331

1. d4 g6 2. c4 Bg7 3. Nc3 d6 4. e4 Nc6 5. Be3 e5 6. Nge2 exd4 7. Nxd4 Nf6 8. f3 O-O 9. Be2 Re8 10. O-O Ne5 11. Qd2 Nfd7 12. Rad1 Nc5 13. Nd5 c6 14. Nc3 Qe7 15. b4 Ne6 16. Nb3 (16. f4 Nd7 17. Nb3 b6 18. f5 gxf5 19. exf5 Nec5 20. Rf3 Ne5 21. Rg3 Nxb3 22. axb3 +/-) **16... Nc7 17. Rfe1 Be6 18. c5 dxc5 19. Bxc5 Qf6 20. Nb1= Bxb3** White probably shouldn't have permitted this weakening of his pawns. (But his options were limited, for if 20. f4 Nc4 or 20. Nd4 b6--ed.) **21. axb3 Ne6 22. Be3 g5 23. Na3 Bf8 24. Nc2 Ng6 25. Bc4 h6 26. b5 cxb5 27. Bxb5 Red8 28. Qf2 +/= Bd6 29. g3 a6 30. Bf1 b5 31. Rd5 Ne7 32. Rd3 Nc6 33. Red1 Bc7 34. Rd5 Ne7 35. Rd7 Rxd7 36. Rxd7 Nc6 37. Rd5 Ne7 38. Rd7 Rc8 39. Nb4 Nf8 40. Rd3 Nfg6 41. Nd5 Nxd5 42. Rxd5 Ne7 43. Rd3 Rd8 44. Kg2 Rxd3 45. Bxd3 Ng6 46. Bd4 Qe6 47. Qc2 Bb6 48. Bf2 ?!** White could have stayed more active with 48.Bb2 ... **Ne5 49.Qc3 f6 50.Be2** White isn't afraid of trading queens and entering a 2 bishops vs. bishop & knight ending. His b-pawn isn't as weak as it looks: 50...Kf7 51.h3 Qc6 should be OK for white. He can either trade queens now, or permit Black to trade them. **Bxf2 49. Kxf2 Ne5 50. Be2 Nc6 51. Qd3?!** White should prevent Black's pieces from taking an active role: 51.Qc5 Ne5 52.b4 **Qe5 52. Qd7**



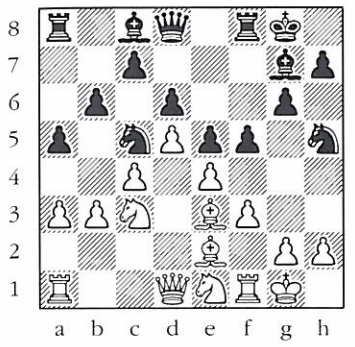
Qc5+! 53. Kf1 Nd4 54. Qd8+?? +/- This loses. Maybe white could have tried 54.Bd1. **Kg7 55. Qa5 Qc2 56. Qe1 Qxb3 57. f4 gxf4 58. Qa1** 58.gxf4? Qh3+ 59.Kg1 Qe3+ 60.Kf1 Qxf4+ 61.Kg1 Qe3+ 62.Kf1 Qxe2+ **Qe3 59. Bg4 fxg3** quicker is f3 **60. hxg3 Qxe4 61. Bh3** 61.Bd1 delays the inevitable. **Qh1+ 0-1**

M. Marsh v. Bereolos and the majority of the associated annotations were taken from the Knoxville Chess Club's website at URL: http://www.knoxvillechess.org/2008/2008_ch.htm.

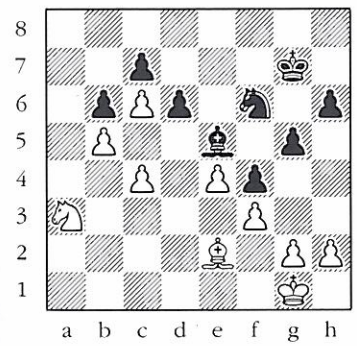
Knoxville Championship (3)
Corry Marsh-1721
Peter Bereolos-2331

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 g6 3. Nc3 Bg7 4. Nf3 O-O 5. e4 d6 6. Be2 e5 7. d5 a5 8. O-O Na6

9. Ne1 Nc5 10. f3 Nh5 11. Be3 b6 12. b3 f5 13. a3



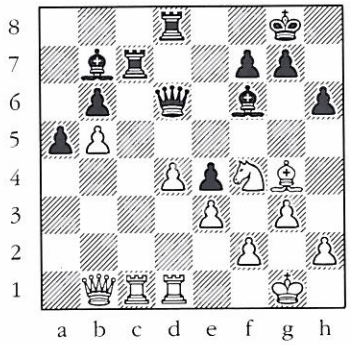
f4?! Fritz considers Nf4 or fxe much better: 13... Nf4 14. b4 axb4 15. axb4 Rxa1 16. Qxa1 Nb3 17. Qd1 Nd4 =/+ **14. Bf2 g5** Much better was Bd7, then if White proceeds as in the game Nb5 will no longer be available. **15. b4 axb4 16. axb4 Rxa1 17. Qxa1 Nb3 18. Qd1 Nd4 19. Bxd4 exd4 20. Nb5 Be5 21. Nxd4 Qf6 22. Nc6 Bc3 23. b5** Better was Nc2. **Bd7 24. Nc2 Bxc6 25. dxc6 Ra8 26. Qd5+ Kg7 27. Rb1 h6 28. Qd3 Qe5 29. Rb3 Bb2 30. Qd5 Nf6 31. Qxe5 Bxe5 32. Ra3 Rxa3 33. Nxa3**



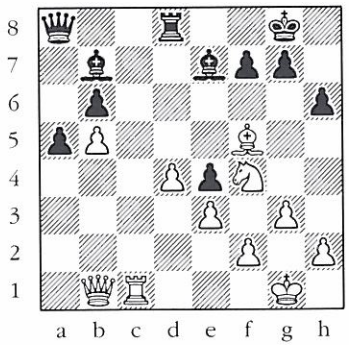
White has a slight plus but will have a difficult time converting his advantage because of the bishops of opposite color and limited space in which to maneuver. **Ne8 34. Nc2 Bc3 35. Kf1 Kf6 36. Bd1 Ng7 37. Ke2 Ne6 38. Kd3 Ba5 39. Nd4 Nc5+** Yes the simple Nxd4 should easily draw, but Pete is not interested in yielding a draw to a lower-rated. **40. Kc2 Ke5 41. Nf5 h5 42. h3** Stronger was Ne7 planning Nd5, but White feared that the Black king's activity might get too threatening. **Ne6 43. Kd3 Kf6 44. Be2 Bb4 45. Nd4 Nc5+ 46. Kc2 Be1 47. Nf5 Ne6 48. Kd3 Bf2 49. Bd1 Bc5 50. Be2 Ba3 51. Bd1 Bb2 52. Be2 Be5 53. Bd1 Nc5+ 54. Kc2 Ke6 55. Be2 Bf6 56. Bd1 Ke5 57. Be2 Ne6 58. Kd3 Nf8 59. Bd1 Ng6 60. Be2 Ke6 61. Kc2 Bh8 62. Kb1 Bf6 63. Kc2 Be5 64. Kd3 Kf6 65. Kc2 Nf8 66. Kd3 Ne6 67. Bd1 Nc5+ 68. Kc2 Na4 69. Be2 Nc3 70. Bd1 g4 71. hxg4 hxg4 72. Kc1 g3** Possible was d5. **73. Kc2 Na4 74. Be2 Nc5 75. Bd1 Ne6 76. Kd3 Ng5 77. Ke2 Ke6 78. Bb3 Kf6 79. Bd1 Nf7 80. Kd3 Bb2 81. Kc2 Ba3 82. Be2 Bc5 83. Bd1 Ng5 84. Kd2 Ne6 85. Kd3 Bf2 86. Be2 Bc5 87. Bd1 Ng5 88. Ke2 Nh3 89. Bb3 Nf2 90. Bc2 Ke6 91. Ng7+ Ke5?? 92. Nf5?** White should have played 92.Ne8 Nh3 93. Nxc7 +- **Ng5 94.Nd5 Ne6 95.c7 Nxc7 96.Nxc7 Kf6 1/2-1/2**

Mid-South Open
Jerry Wheeler - 2211
Paul Choate - 2060

1. d4 d5 2. Nf3 Nf6 3. c4 e6 4. Nc3 Be7 5. Bg5 h6 6. Bh4 O-O 7. e3 b6 8. Qc2 Bb7 9. Bxf6 Bxf6 10. cxd5 exd5 White shows a preference for a solid position with steady pressure against Black's queenside pawns. **11. Be2 Re8 12. O-O Qe7 13. a3 c6 14. b4 Nd7 15. Qb3 Qd6 16. Rfd1 Rac8=** Perhaps a5 is a little stronger but Black is doing okay in any case. **17. Rac1 a6 18. a4 Rcd8** Since White weakened his pawns a mite, Ra8 followed by a5 is one way of making progress. **19. Ne1 Re7 20. Bf3 Nf8 21. b5 cxb5 22. axb5 a5 23. Nd3 Ne6 24. Bg4 Ng5** Preferable was Rc7. The knight already had a good post and Bxe6 was certainly not to be feared. **25. Nf4 Ne4 26. Nxe4 dxe4 27. g3 Rc7 28. Qb1**



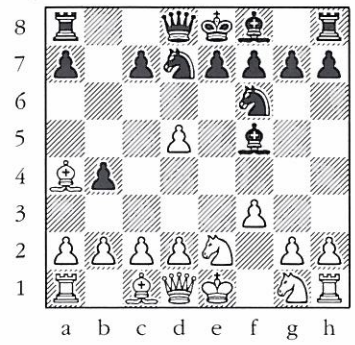
Be7 If Black were vigorously trying to win, then advancing his passed pawn would have been the way: 28... Rxc1!? 29. Rxc1 a4 30. Ne2 a3 31. Nc3 Be7 32. Bf5 Qb4 33. Bxe4 (33. Qxb4 Bxb4 34. Na2 Bd6 -+) 33... Bxe4 34. Nxe4 Qxb1 35. Rxb1 Rc8) **29. Rxc7 Qxc7 30. Rc1 Qb8 31. Bf5 Qa8**



Since all Wheeler needed was a draw to clinch first place there was no need for him to go into the combinative Rc7 variation: 32. Rc7 Bd6 33. Rxf7 Kxf7 34. Qb3+ Bd5 35. Be6+ Ke7 36. Nxd5+ Kf8 37. Qd1 +- **1/2-1/2**

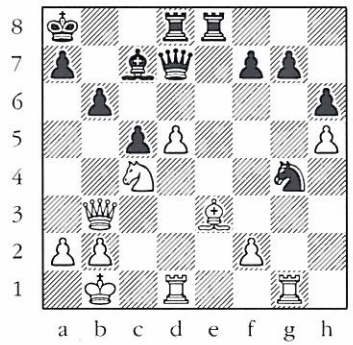
Region 1 Qualifier (5)
Patrick Tae-2193
Peter Suich-1894

1. e4 d5 2. exd5 Nf6 3. Bb5+ Bd7 4. Bc4 b5 5. Bb3 Book is 5... a5 6. a3 with Black obtaining compensation for the pawn. **Bg4 6. f3 Bf5 7. Nc3** Provocative. **b4 8. Ba4+** With g4 White maintains a small plus: 8. g4 Bc8 9. g5 bxc3 10. gxf6 cxb2 11. Bxb2 gxf6 +/= **8... Nbd7** Black would be equal after Bd7: 8... Bd7 9. Bxd7+ Qxd7 10. Ne4 Qxd5 = **9. Nce2**

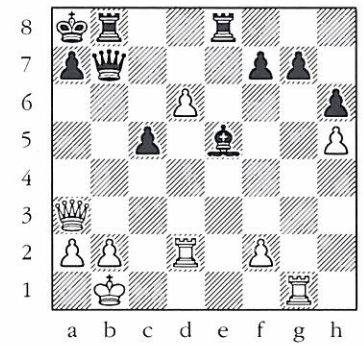


... Rb8? Even the immediate capture of the pawn may have been preferable. **10. Nd4 +-** Fritz11 gives White a commanding 2.5 advantage. **g6?** Black panics in face of loss. Bg6 was relatively better. **11. Nc6 Qc8 12. Nxb8 Qxb8 13. g4 Nxg4 14. fxg4 Be4 15. Nf3 Bxd5 16. c4 bxc3 17. dxc3 e6** Necessary was c6. **18. Bxd7+!? Kxd7 19. Ne5+ Ke8** The more stubborn Kc8 still loses easily to Nxf7. **20. Qa4+ Ke7 21. Qd7+ Kf6 22. Qxf7+ 1-0**

Mid-South
Graham Horobetz - 1919
Donny Gray - 2139
1. e4 c6 2. d4 d5 3. Nc3 dxe4 4. Nxe4 Bf5 5. Ng3 Bg6 6. h4 h6 7. Nf3 Nd7 8. h5 Bh7 9. Bd3 Bxd3 10. Qxd3 Qc7 11. Bd2 Ngf6 12. O-O-O O-O-O 13. c4 e6 14. Ne4 Be7 Without teeth is **Nc5. 15. Nxf6 Bxf6 16. Qa3 b6** Black does not want to risk a pin of his queen by playing Kb8 because g3 might get dangerous. **17. Kb1 c5 18. Be3 Be7** Better is Bb7 or Kb8. **19. d5** Certainly better than settling for an isolated pawn was dxc: 19. dxc5 Nxc5 20. Bd4 **19... exd5 20. cxd5 Nf6 21. Qa6+ Kb8** More forcing was Qb7. **22. Qc4 Bd6 23. g4 Qd7 24. Rhg1 Rhe8 25. Nd2 Bc7 26. Qb3 Ka8 27. Nc4 Nxg4?**



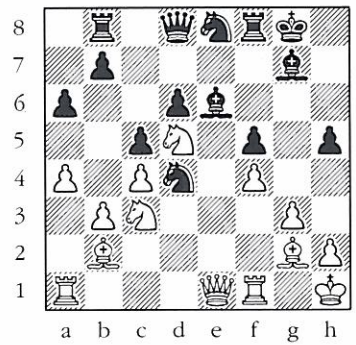
28. Bxc5?! (28. d6 Nxe3 29. fxe3 Bb8 30. Rxg7 Re6 31. Rf1+/=) **28... bxc5 29. Qf3??** (29. d6! Nxf2 30. Qf3+ Ne4 31. dxc7 Qxc7=) **29... Ne5 30. Nxe5 Bxe5 31. d6+ Qb7 32. Qa3 Rb8 33. Rd2**



c4 (Fritz11 saw the following win by mating threat: 33... Qe4+ 34. Ka1 Qe1+ 35. Rxe1 Bxb2+ 36. Kb1 Bxa3+) **34. Re1 Bxb2 0-1**

Mid-South
Paul Choate - 2060
Brad Smith - 1631

1. Nf3 g6 2. c4 Bg7 3. Nc3 d6 4. g3 Nf6 5. Bg2 O-O 6. d4 c6 7. O-O Nbd7 8. Rb1 Perhaps b3 was better. **e5 9. e4** Again, b3 or Bg5 would have been better since Black's further advance of the pawn will be beneficial to White: 9. b3 e4 10. Ne1 Re8 11. Nc2 d5 12. Bf4+/= **9... exd4 10. Nxd4 Ne5 11. b3 c5?** Nfd7 would have maintained equality. Now Black must deal with a backward pawn. **12. Ndb5 Ne8 13. Nd5 a6 14. Nbc3 Rb8 15. a4 Be6 16. Bb2 Nc6 17.** f4 Better was Nf4. **f5** Worried about the f-pawn's further advance, Black posts a stop but creates some white square weaknesses. (17... Bd4+ 18. Kh1 Bxd5 19. cxd5 (19. Nxd5 Nf6=) 19... Nb4+/=) **18. Kh1 h5 19.** Qe1 Bh3 or Re1 was stronger. **Nd4 20. exf5 gxf5?**



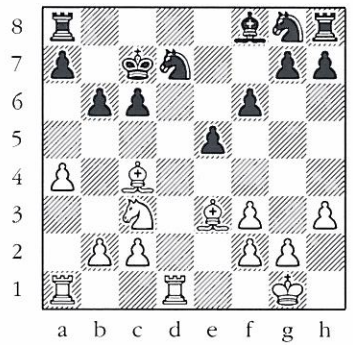
21. Rd1 Fritz11 suggests the immediate Nb5 to win a pawn: 21. Nb5 axb5 22. Bxd4 Bxd5 23. Bxd5+ Kh7 24. Bxg7 Kxg7 25. axb5. **21... Qd7 22. Rf2** Fritz11 suggests Nb6: 22. Nb6 Qf7 23. Ne2 Nc2 24. Qd2 Bxb2 25. Qxc2 **22... Nc7??** With Nf6 Black could have gotten back into the game. **23. Nxc7 Qxc7 24. Rxd4 cxd4 25. Qxe6+ Rf7 26. Nd5 Qd7 27. Qg6 Re8 28. Bxd4 Re6 29. Qg5 1-0**

Rafi Chowdhury - 1633
Chase Knowles - 1590
1. e4 c6 2. d4 d5 3. e5 Bf5 4. Bd3 Bxd3 5. Qxd3 e6 6. Ne2 Qb6 7. a3?! Nc3 or 0-0 was better. **c5 8. O-O Nc6** Weaker would be cxd4. **9. c3 c4** Black is perhaps envisioning a sort of minority attack on the queenside. **10. Qd1** White should swing his queen to the kingside with ideas of attacking there to counter Black's threats. **Nge7 11. Nd2 Na5 12. b4?!** White should have simply ignored Black's queenside threats. Now Black will have targets at a3 and c3 to continue pressuring. **cxb3 13. Rb1 Qc7** Black should have brought his other knight into play. **14. Nxb3 Nc4 15. Nd2 Nc6? 16. Nxc4 dxc4 17. Qa4 a6 18. Qxc4 b5 19. Qa2 Qa5 20. d5!** Striking while the Black king is still in the center of the board. **exd5 21. Qxd5 Qc7 22. Bf4** Stronger was Nd4 followed by e6. Rd8 **23. Qe4 Qd7 24. Ng3** Stronger were either a4 or c4, but the game abruptly ended here. **1-0**

2009 Memphis Championship
Chase Knowles-1622
Graham Horobetz-1941
1. e4 c5 2. f4 g6 3. Nf3 Nc6 4. Bc4 Bg7 5. Nc3 e6 6. O-O Nge7 7. Nb5? Better was d3. Even the radical Re1 might be playable, admitting that the bishop is misplaced and planning on retreating it to f1. **d5 8. exd5 exd5 9. Be2 c4!? 10. d3??** White overlooks Black's threat. The oddness of c4 being played instead of castling should have caused White to stop and ask himself the purpose of the move. Then he would have seen the simply d4, which blocks the check and the pawn advance. **Qb6+ 11. Nbd4 Nxd4 12. Be3 Nxf3+ 13. Rxf3 Bd4 14. Bxd4 Qxd4+ 15. Kh1 Bg4 16. c3 Qf6 17. Re3 Bxe2 18. Qxe2 cxd3 19. Qxd3 O-O 20. Rae1 Nf5 21. Re5 Rad8 22. g4 Ng7 23. Rxd5 Rxd5 24. Qxd5 Qc6** Black simply prefers playing the endgame a piece up instead of continuing in a winning middle game with Qxf4. **25. Qxc6 bxc6 26. Re7 Ne6 27. Rxa7 Nxf4 28. Rc7 Rd8 29. Kg1 Rd2 30. Rxc6 Rxb2 31. a4 Ra2 32. Rc4 Nd5 33. Rc5 Ne3 34. a5 Nxg4 35. Rb5 Nxh2 36. c4 Nf3+ 0-1**

2009 Memphis Championship
Carlos Sims-1988
Edgar Davison-1851

1. d4 d6 2. Nf3 Bg4 3. h3 More common in the Wade Variation is c4. **Bxf3 4. exf3 e5?!** Black is trying to play an endgame while middlegame factors predominate. While his opening was okay, this continuation is disastrous. **5. dxe5 dxe5 6. Qxd8+ Kxd8 7. Bc4 f6 8. O-O c6 9. Rd1+** In analogous variations with a similar pawn structure for Black, he is able to survive because he still has a white-squared bishop. But in this line, he is in some difficult but certainly not bleeding (though Fritz is ready to bury him). **Kc7 +/1 10. Nc3 Nd7 11. Be3 b6** Nh6 was better. Black is trying to protect his a-pawn so that he can use his queen rook. **12. a4**



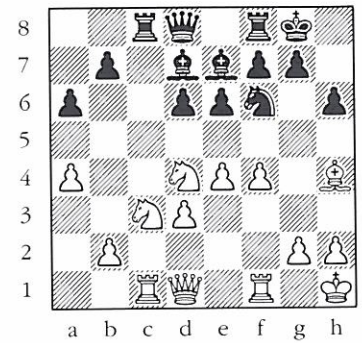
a5? With relief at hand, Black loses tempo when the simple Bc5 would have relieved the cramp in his position. **13. Be6 Nb8** (13... Nc5 14. Bxc5 bxc5 15. Rd7+ Kb6 +-) **14. Ne4 Be7 15. Rd3 Nh6 16. Rad1 Rd8?? 17. Rxd8 Bxd8 18. Bxb6+ Kxb6 19. Rxd8 f5 20. Ng5 Kc7 21. Rh8 Kd6 22. Bb3 c5 23. Nxh7 Kc7 24. Ng5 Ra6 25. Ne6+ Kb7 26. Nxc5+ 1-0**

Nashville Championship
January 10, 2009
Gainer Phay
Todd Andrews

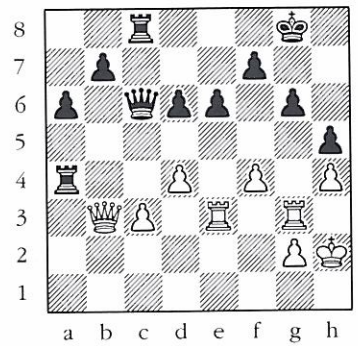
1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 c5 3. d5 e6 4. Nc3 exd5 5. cxd5 d6 6. e4 g6 7. f4 Bg7 8. Bb5+ Nfd7 9. Nf3 In the Taimanov Variation, White usually plays a4 or Bd3 so that Black can't get in a6-b5 with tempo. **a6 10. Bxd7+ Nxd7= 11. a4 O-O 12. O-O Re8 13. Nd2?!** The knight was needed to prevent incursions on e4. Re1 was better. **Nf6-/+ 14. Qf3 Ng4 15. Qg3** The coming check on d4 is so potent that Fritz suggests Ne2. Now even the immediate Ne3 is possible. **f5 16. Ra3 Bd4+ 17. Kh1 Ne3 18. Rf3 Nc2 19. Rb3 fxe4 20. Ncxe4 Bf5 21. Ng5 b5 22. h4?** The final mistake in a compromised position. Necessary was Rf1. **c4 23. Rbc3 Bxc3 24. bxc3 Re1+ 25. Rf1 Qe7 26. Ngf3 Rxf1+ 27. Nxf1 Qe2 28. Kg1 bxa4 0-1**

Match Game
January 5, 2009
Peter Lahde
J. Jones

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 e6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nxd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 d6 6. Bb5+ Nbd7 7. O-O a6 8. Bd3 Nc5 9. Bg5 Nxd3 10. cxd3 Be7 11. Rc1 O-O 12. Kh1 h6 13. Bh4 Later Jones will demonstrates why Be3 was necessary. **Bd7 14. f4 Rc8 15. a4**



Nxe4! 16. Bxe7 Nxc3 17. bxc3 Qxe7 18. Qb3 Bc6 Even better was e5. **19. Nxc6 Rxc6 20. d4 g6 21. Rce1 Qc7 -+ 22. Rf3 Rc8 23. Ree3 Rc4 24. h4 h5 25. Kh2 Qc6** Better was d5, since White's queenside weaknesses would remain. **26. Rg3** Setting a little trap. **Rxa4**

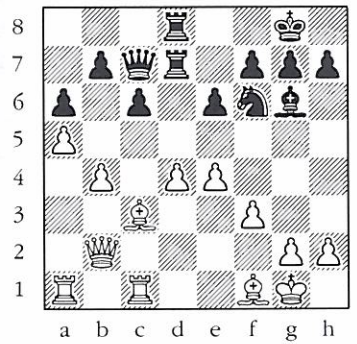


Rxe6! Rc4 (27... fxe6 28. Qxe6+ Kf8 29. Rxg6) **28. Ree3?** Pete correctly states that either Qb1 or Qc2 would should still be winning: 28. Qb1 Kf8 29. Rf6 Ke7 30. Rxf7+ Kxf7 31. Qxg6+ -+ **28... Kh7 29. Re7** Much

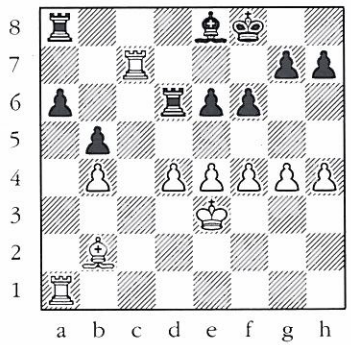
better was f5. **29 ... Rc7 -/+ 30. Rxc7 Qxc7 31. Re3 d5 32. g3 b5 33. Qc2? b4 34. Qb3 Rxc3 35. Rxc3 bxc3 36. Qc2 Qc4 37. f5 Kg7 38. fxg6 fxg6** Pete states: " Black has an easy win but lost on time a few moves later." **1-0**

Mid-South Open
Jerry Wheeler - 2211
Donny Gray - 2139

1. d4 c6 2. Nf3 d5 3. c4 Nf6 4. Qc2 Bg4 5. Ne5 Bh5 6. cxd5 Qxd5 7. e3 e6 8. Nc3 Bb4 9. Bd2 Qa5 10. f3 More natural moves were Qb3 or Bd3. **Nbd7 11. Nxd7 Nxd7 12. Bd3 Bg6 13. e4 Nf6?!** Black should have played e5 or c5. **14. a3 Bxc3 15. Bxc3 Qb6 16. a4 O-O 17. a5 Qc7 18. O-O Rfd8 19. Rfc1 Rd7 20. b4 a6 21. Bf1 Rad8 22. Qb2**



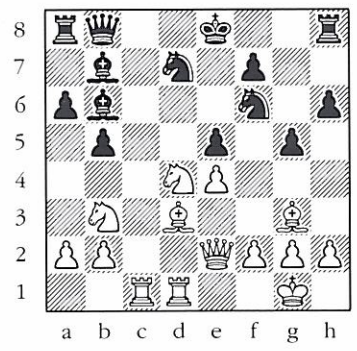
Fritz11 noticed that Black can grab an initiative here with Bxe4: 22... Bxe4!? 23. fxe4 Nxe4 24. Rd1 Qf4 threatening Qe3+ and winning a third pawn by force. Even so, White still will have a tiny plus. ... **Ne8 23. g3 Qb8 24. Qf2 Qa7 25. Be2 Nd6 26. Bb2 h6 27. Rd1 Nb5 28. Bxb5 cxb5** The other capture was better since it halts White central advance and keeps White's pieces relatively passive. **29. Rac1 b6 30. axb6 Qxb6 31. Rc5 Qb7** Black should continue with the consistent a5 or play f5 to free his bishop and pressure the White center. **32. Rdc1 Qb6 33. Rc6 Qb7 34. Qc2 Rd6 35. Rc7 Qb6 36. Qc5 Kh7 37. Kg2 Ra8 38. Qxb6 Rxb6 39. Ra1 Rd6 40. Kf2 Kg8 41. g4 Kf8 42. Ke3 f6 43. f4 Be8 44. h4**



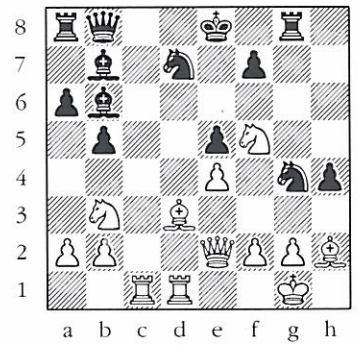
Rd7 More forcing was Rc6 and h5 should also have been considered. Note the picturesque arrangement of White's pawns! **45. Rc5 Rb7 46. f5 exf5 47. gxf5 Bf7 48. d5 Be8 49. Bd4 Bd7 50. Rc2 Be8** The scoresheet ends here with White having a big advantage. **1-0**

Nashville Championship
January 10, 2009
Todd Andrews
David Justice

1. d4 d5 2. c4 dxc4 3. Nf3 Nf6 4. e3 e6 5. Bxc4 a6 6. Qe2 c5 7. dxc5 Bxc5 8. O-O b5 9. Bd3 Nbd7 10. Nbd2 Bb7 11. Nb3 Bd6 (Fritz saw Bxf3 as a strong possibility for equality: 11... Bxf3 12. gxf3 (12. Qxf3 Ne5) 12... O-O=) **12. Rd1 Qb8 13. e4 Bc7** Castling is preferable but this move also serves to keep the knight from leaping to a5 and disturbing his other bishop. **14. Bg5 h6** This unnecessary weakening of the kingside can be taken advantage of by Bxf6: 15. Bxf6 Nxf6 16. Nc5 O-O 17. Nxb7 Qxb7 18. e5 Nd5 19. Qe4 g6 20. h4 +/= **15. Bh4 g5** Castling was better. Now Black gets overly aggressive. **16. Bg3 e5? 17. Rac1 Bb6?** Nh5 would have at least gotten rid of the bishop (which should have been exchanged on the previous move). **18. Nfd4!?**



Though psychologically unnerving and threatening, this powerful move is actually losses a little of White's advantage. Nonetheless, I'd love to be its architect! **h5 19. h3 h4 20. Bh2 g4 21. hxg4 Rg8 22. Nf5 Nxg4**



23. Bxb5! axb5 24. Rxd7 Bxf2+ This is one of those unusual positions where a check is actually a bad move, mainly because Bc8 was necessary to indirectly protect the b-pawn because capturing the rook with the king is disastrous. **25. Kh1 Kxd7** (25... Bc8 26. Rb7) **26. Qxb5+ Kd8** (26... Ke6 27. Rc6+) **27. Rd1+ Bd4 28. Rxd4+ exd4 29. Bxb8 Rxb8 30. Qb6+ Kc8 31. Ne7+ Kd7 32. Nxg8 Nf2+ 33. Kg1 1-0**

The Clarksville Chess Club will begin meeting at 6:30 pm in the basement of the Woodward Library on the campus of A.P.S.U. on Thursday February 5.

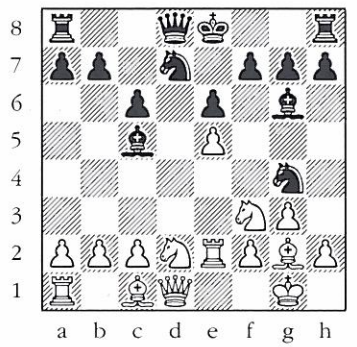
Alcoa Zugswang, cont.

Schult went undefeated, scoring 5.0 points, and Albert Xue took clear second with 4.0 points in the 14-player section. The **Junior High Section** had 6 players and a lot of tough in-fighting. **Jason Fu and Charles Blue** tied with 4.5 points for first and second place honors. Two of Jason's games are included in this issue to show how he fought his way to the top.

Samir Martin
Jason Fu - 1401
1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. Nc3 Nf6 4. Bc4 Bc5 To be considered was the Fork Trick with Nxe4: **5. O-O O-O 6. d3 d6 7. Bg5 h6 8. Bh4 Be6** Alertly discouraging Nd5. **9. Bxe6** Better was either Nd5 to temporarily gain the two bishops upon Bxd or Bb3 to avoid giving Black pawn control of the center. **fxe6 10. h3** Better was Na4, immediately going after the bishop. **a6 11. Na4 Ba7 12. c3??** This blunder was caused in part by the rapid time control of G30. **b5 13. d4 bxa4 14. dxe5 Nxe5 15. Nxe5 dxe5 16. Qxd8?** White should retain the queen for needed offense and avoid the finality of the endgame. **Raxd8 17. Bxf6 Rxf6 0-1**

Jason Fu
Gautum Suresh
1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. Bc4 Nf6 4. Nc3 Bc5 5. d3 O-O 6. Bg5 d6 7. Nd5 Be6 8. Nxf6+ gxf6 9. Bh6 Re8 10. Bb3 Bxb3 Once your castled position is busted, run to h8 and place your rook onto the opened g-file where it can serve as an attacker and defender. **11. axb3 Nd4??** Necessary was Kh8 or f5. **12. Nxd4 Bxd4 13. Qg4+ Kh8 14. Qg7# 1-0**

Joshua A. Lynn
Jason Fu
1. Nf3 d5 2. g3 c6 3. Bg2 Nf6 4. O-O Bf5 5. d3 e6 6. Nbd2 Nbd7 7. Re1 Bc5 8. e4 dxe4 9. dxe4 Bg6 10. e5 Better was Nb3. **Ng4 11. Re2**



Qb6 (Better but still drawish was 11... Nxf2! 12. Rxf2 Bxf2+ 13. Kxf2 Nxe5 14. Nxe5 Qd4+ 15. Kf1 Qxe5 =) **12. Qe1 Better was Nc4. Bxf2+** The immediate Bxc2 favors White: 12... Bxc2 13. Nc4 Bxf2+ 14. Rxf2 Qxf2+ 15. Qxf2 Nxf2 16. Kxf2 **13. Rxf2 Nxf2 14. Qxf2 Qxf2+ 15. Kxf2 Bxc2 16. Nc4 Ke7 17. Bg5+ f6 18. exf6+ gxf6 19. Bh4 Rhf8 20. Re1 Nc5 21. Nd4? Nd3+ 22. Ke2 Nxe1 0-1**

2009 Tennessee Class Championship — 0PEN CROSSTABLE

Name/State ID	Rate	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Rnd 3	Rnd 4	Rnd 5
1. BURNETT, RON	2392	B 4	B 2	B 3	B 5	B 8
TN 12093120		1.0	2.0	3.0	3.5	4.0
2. ANDREWS, TODD	2379	B 6	W 1	B 8	B 4	B 5
TN 12583055		1.0	1.0	2.0	2.5	3.5
3. ROBINSON, H.	2239	B 7	B 8	B 1	B 6	B 4
TN 10241138		1.0	1.5	1.5	2.5	3.0
4. WHEELER, J.	2211	B 1	W 5	B 6	B 2	B 3
TN 10242126		0.0	1.0	2.0	2.5	3.0
5. SUICH, JOSHUA	2159	HALF	B 4	B 7	B 1	B 2
TN 12707426		0.5	0.5	1.5	2.0	2.0
6. HORTILLOSA, A	2141	B 2	B 7	B 4	B 3	---
TN 12455466		0.0	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
7. MARSH, MATT	2116	B 3	B 6	B 5	B 8	BYE
TN 12843523		0.0	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.5
8. HALL, BILL	2101	BYE	W 3	B 2	B 7	B 1
TN 12397673		1.0	1.5	1.5	2.5	3.0

2009 Tennessee Class Championship — CLASS A CROSSTABLE

Name/State ID	Rate	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Rnd 3	Rnd 4	Rnd 5
1. PHAY, GAINER	1995	B 3	B 6	B 4	B 2	B 5
TN 12828988		0.5	0.5	1.5	2.5	3.0
2. SPINRAD, J.	1986	B 4	B 5	B 6	B 1	B 3
TN 12409131		0.5	0.5	1.5	1.5	2.5
3. HARRIS, BEN	1919	B 1	B 4	B 5	B 6	B 2
TN 11290507		0.5	1.5	2.5	3.0	3.0
4. HOROBETZ, G.	1919	B 2	B 3	W 1	B 5	B 6
TN 12800231		0.5	0.5	0.5	1.0	1.0
5. SUICH, PETER	1894	HALF	B 2	W 3	B 4	B 1
TN 12779311		0.5	1.5	1.5	2.0	2.5
6. KOVALIC, J.	1840	BYE	B 1	W 2	B 3	B 4
TN 12467445		1.0	2.0	2.0	2.5	3.5

2009 Tennessee Class Championship — CLASS B CROSSTABLE

Name/State ID	Rate	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Rnd 3	Rnd 4	Rnd 5
1. ALATAIWI, ALI	1796	B 4	B 7	B 3	B 6	B 2
TN 13746224		1.0	2.0	3.0	4.0	4.0
2. SALTER, JOSHU	1752	B 5	B 3	B 4	BYE	B 1
TN 12890290		1.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	3.0
3. LI, BIN	1733	B 6	B 2	B 1	B 4	B 5
TN 13511415		1.0	2.0	2.0	2.5	3.0
4. MARSH, CORRY	1714	B 1	B 5	W 2	B 3	B 6
TN 12843522		0.0	0.5	1.5	2.0	2.0
5. STEPP, ROBERT	1700	B 2	B 4	BYE	B 7	B 3
AR 10367719		0.0	0.5	1.5	2.5	3.0
6. TANAS, ZAKI	1663	B 3	BYE	W 7	B 1	B 4
TN 13656491		0.0	1.0	2.0	2.0	3.0
7. HUGHES, JAMES	1633	BYE	B 1	B 6	B 5	---
TN 12222390		1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

2009 Tennessee Class Championship — CLASS C & D

Name/State ID	Rate	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Rnd 3	Rnd 4	Rnd 5
1. BERTRAM, DAVI	1556	B 6	B 4	HALF	B 3	B 2
TN 12601971		1.0	1.5	2.0	3.0	3.5
2. SUICH, VICTOR	1537	HALF	B 9	B 6	- 5	B 1
TN 12732019		0.5	1.0	2.0	X3.0	3.5
3. VAN DER MEER	1509	B 9	B 5	B 4	B 1	B 7
TN 12552192		0.5	1.5	2.5	2.5	3.5
4. MAHAN, ROBERT	1486	B 7	B 1	B 3	B 9	B 6
VA 10199204		1.0	1.5	1.5	2.5	3.5
5. ZEMGULYS, J.	1460	B 8	B 3	B 9	- 2	ZERO
IL 12401176		1.0	1.0	1.5	F1.5	1.5
6. DEWEES, TIM	1417	B 1	B 7	B 2	B 8	B 4
TN 12177130		0.0	1.0	1.0	2.0	2.0
7. BALLOU, A. T.	1354	B 4	B 6	B 8	BYE	B 3
TN 12833942		0.0	0.0	1.0	2.0	2.0

2009 Tennessee Class Championship — CLASS C & D, cont.

Name/State ID	Rate	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Rnd 3	Rnd 4	Rnd 5
8. MARTINDALE, T TN 12768993	1305	B 5 0.0	BYE 1.0	B 7 1.0	B 6 1.0	B 9 1.5
9. MANNERS, ROY TN 12649484	1249	W 3 0.5	B 2 1.0	B 5 1.5	B 4 1.5	B 8 2.0

2009 Tennessee Class Championship — CLASS E & F

Name/State ID	Rate	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Rnd 3	Rnd 4	Rnd 5
1. COLLINS, M. TN 12455921	1164	B 6 0.0	B 4 0.0	B 9 1.0	B 3 1.0	B 10 2.0
2. MARTINDALE, C TN 12709524	1158	B 7 1.0	B 5 1.0	B 4 2.0	B 6 3.0	B 3 3.0
3. RICHARDS, J. TN 12554716	1104	B 8 1.0	B 6 2.0	B 5 2.0	B 1 3.0	B 2 4.0
4. HAMMETT, JON TN 12931306	1069	B 9 1.0	B 1 2.0	B 2 2.0	B 5 3.0	B 7 3.5
5. QIN, ALEXANDER TN 13298561	1068	B 10 1.0	B 2 2.0	B 3 3.0	B 4 3.0	B 9 4.0
6. E LYNN, JOSHUA TN 12937075	1036	B 1 1.0	B 3 1.0	B 7 2.0	B 2 2.0	B 8 2.0
7. E STALEY, TIM GA 12625534	1035	B 2 0.0	B 10 1.0	B 6 1.0	B 8 2.0	B 4 2.5
8. E GELLERT, I. TN 13399520	1029	B 3 0.0	B 9 0.0	B 10 1.0	B 7 1.0	B 6 2.0
9. XUE, ALBERT TN 13500641	919	B 4 0.0	B 8 1.0	B 1 1.0	B 10 2.0	B 5 2.0
10.BAULCH, Nathan TN 13514023	840	B 5 0.0	B 7 0.0	B 8 0.0	B 9 0.0	B 1 0.0

2009 Tennessee Class Championship — CLASS G / UNR

Name/State ID	Rate	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Rnd 3	Rnd 4	Rnd 5
1. DING, CHUNYAN TN 13398966	791	- 5 F0.0	--- 0.0	--- 0.0	--- 0.0	--- 0.0
2. GIAMPIETRO, T TN 13921758	751	B 6 1.0	B 7 1.0	HALF 1.5	B 8 1.5	B 4 2.0
3. MARSH, HUNTER TN 13473408	696	B 8 0.0	W 6 1.0	B 4 2.0	B 7 2.0	BYE 3.0
4. GELLERT, A. TN 13692672	660	B 7 0.0	BYE 1.0	B 3 1.0	B 5 1.5	B 2 2.0
5. ESLINGER, D. TN 13747578	607	- 1 X1.0	W 8 1.0	B 6 1.5	B 4 2.0	B 7 2.0
6. WILLIAMS, S. TN 14022973	343	B 2 0.0	B 3 0.0	B 5 0.5	BYE 1.5	B 8 1.5
7. ARMANIOS, A. TN 14094777	nnnn	B 4 1.0	B 2 2.0	B 8 3.0	B 3 4.0	B 5 5.0
8. KONSONLAS, R. AL 14037432	nnnn	B 3 1.0	B 5 2.0	B 7 2.0	B 2 3.0	B 6 4.0

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