

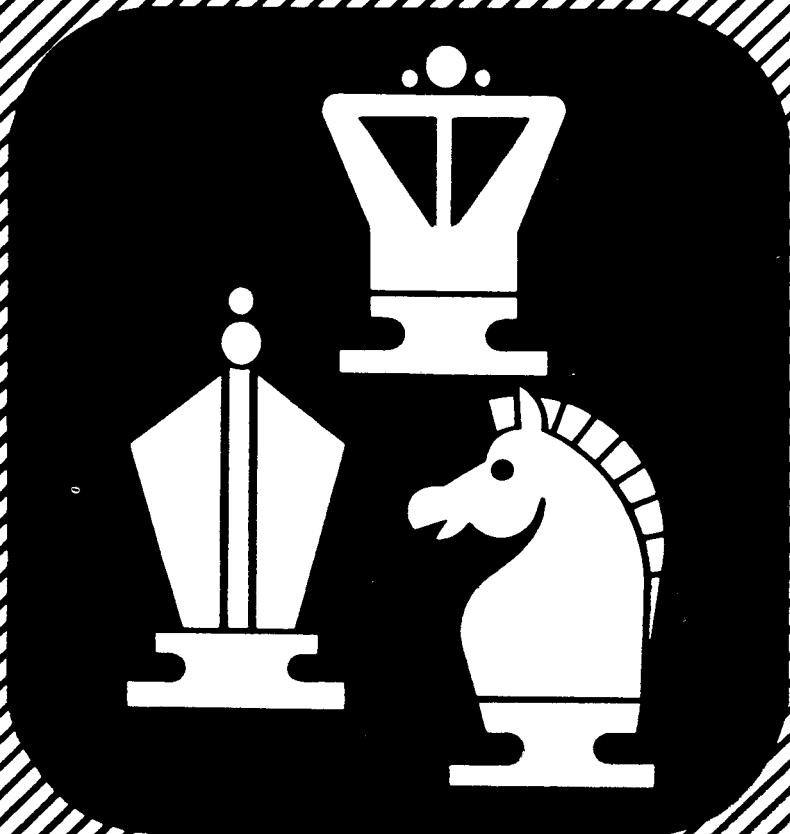
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Editors' Note

QUESTIONAIRES. That sums up this note from your editor. The questionnaire sent out recently was compiled through much hard work by Bill Organ and Mark Ishee along with helpers. We received about 40 responses. That is far less than 10 percent returned.

The only possible explanation for such a low return is apathy. The experts say that apathy is contentment. The more contentment, the more apathy. **BULL!!** The only other word for apathy is lazy!!

The forms were even addressed for you. I have to admit that 22 cents postage might stop some. From the ones returned we were able to form some general ideas to help formulate upcoming events. So, to you, we say **THANK YOU.** To the ones who just sat back or pitched their form—don't say anything now. Sit back and let other people make the decisions so you can have something to gripe about.

WOW!! Less than 10 percent. I still can't believe this.

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All ads must be in my hands by October 10, 1986 to appear in the November issue of TCN. —Rick Igou

Auburndale School Champ Cont.

President's Column

This quarter's topic will be scholastic chess. Hopefully I will be able to provide you with some good ideas for the programs in your area. Most of these ideas will come from my own personal experiences as a team coach.

First, you should apply for your club's affiliate status as soon as possible. This serves two purposes. Anyone who has dealt with the USCF know that service is not always prompt. The sooner your application is received, the sooner you'll be approved. Also, without this it will be difficult to organize rated events for your players. Affiliate status runs about \$10 per year for scholastic groups.

Second, start with junior high to high school students if you are unable to get faculty assistance. Then, year by year, work your way back to the elementary and primary grades. Your older students will work with them, and this will free up your time.

Third, establish a regular time and place of meeting. We are all creatures of habit and regular meetings are essential for membership retention. This applies to summertime as well. Don't try to find a time that is good for all; you won't be able to do so. Do what's best for the majority, and let the rest work it out as best they can.

Fourth, involve your scholastic prodigies in

tournament competition and special activities. Involvement is a buzz word. Always give the scholastic player something to look forward to, something to plan for. This will help keep vitality in your school club. This summer, I opened my home to my high school team for a week long "chess camp." During the day, they had access to my library. At night, we participated in a closed round-robin (officially rated of course). I felt that the week of intensive training was beneficial to both myself and my players. I hope to do this again before the summer is over.

Fifth, check to see if your local school system has "enrichment programs" in the summer. If so, they are often hungry for volunteers, and here is where your school club can be founded. If you already have started, here is where you can make up to attrition. You may be able to get some faculty help here as well.

Anyone interested in starting a scholastic group should contact either me or our scholastic coordinator. We will be happy to do anything we can to help you succeed. Comments and suggestions are welcome.

Yours in Chess
Bill Orgain, Pres. TCA

THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF OUR PRESIDENT'S IDEAS.

Auburndale School Champ

PLAYER	PRE ST RING	POST RING	1	2	3	4	5	6	TOT
1 TAI, OLIVER	TN 1902	1911	w11	w-6	w49	b--	w26	U--	5.0
2 FAUER, RON	TN 1762	1785	w63	w40	w21	w20	w48	U--	5.0
3 CUMEN, JASON	TN 1290	1375	w42	w27	w12	w14	w13	U--	5.0
4 DUMSEIT, NEIL A	TN 1263	1319	w53	w34	w38	w19	D-5	L-5	4.5
5 CUMEN, SHANNON	TN 1152	1261	w56	w23	w67	U--	D-4	w4	4.5
6 KLEIN, CRAIG	TN 1635	1640	w49	L-1	w26	w11	B--	U--	4.0
7 HUDGSON, MATTHEW	TN 1306	1314	B--	w30	w15	w18	U--	L48	4.0
8 ROGERS, ROBIN L	TN 1102	1161	w50	L52	w54	w32	w16	U--	4.0
9 MC CALLUM, JASON K	TN 1282	1326	w35	D19	w28	w34	U--	U--	3.5
10 BALUGH, JASON	TN 1475	1494	w52	w24	w64	U--	U--	U--	3.0
11 SCOTT, CLAYTON W	TN 1334	1352	L-1	w26	B--	L-6	w49	U--	3.0
12 KINI, VINAY	TN 1279	1304	w43	w14	L-3	w27	U--	U--	3.0
13 HORGAN, KELLY E	TN 1253	1270	w62	w45	w59	U--	L-3	U--	3.0
14 ENGELBERG, PAUL	TN 1162	1176	w44	L12	w43	L-3	w37	U--	3.0
15 ROGERS, JEFF M	TN 1160	1173	w30	B--	L-7	U--	w18	U--	3.0
16 WHITAKER, COLE	TN 1086	1111	B--	w29	w58	U--	L-8	U--	3.0
17 LAURINAS, NICK	TN 1085	1145	w68	w60	w31	U--	U--	U--	3.0
18 ADCKOCK, KENAE	TN 956	972	B--	w36	w55	L-7	L15	L30	3.0
19 O'DANIELS, SEAN	TN 1614	1586	w28	D-9	w35	L-4	U--	U--	2.5
20 BUCHWALDER, CHRIS	TN 1011/9	1147	B--	w63	D39	L-2	U--	U--	2.5
21 COURTNEY, BILLY	TN 1670	1685	w25	w39	L-2	U--	U--	U--	2.0
22 ALPERT, LEE	TN 1434	1442	w57	w57	U--	U--	U--	U--	2.0
23 TAI, STEPHANIE	TN 1395	1391	w67	L-5	w56	U--	U--	U--	2.0
24 FAN, WILL	TN 1393	1391	w64	L10	w52	U--	U--	U--	2.0
25 SINGLETON, MICHAEL	TN 1233	1269	L21	w41	w40	U--	U--	U--	2.0
26 SHARP, ALLEN C	TN 1232	1234	B--	L11	L-6	w49	L-1	U--	2.0
27 SAEGEK, NICOLAS	TN 1229	1225	w37	L-3	w46	L12	U--	U--	2.0
28 LLOYD, MICHAEL D	TN 1213	1226	L19	w53	L-9	w38	U--	U--	2.0
29 ROSEN, JAY	TN 1140	1131	w58	L16	B--	U--	U--	U--	2.0
30 WEDDLE, ALEX M	TN 1114	1103	L15	L-7	B--	U--	U--	w18	2.0
31 SIMMONS, GRETA	TN 1093/15	1126	w66	w61	L17	U--	U--	U--	2.0
32 BYERS, JENNIFER	TN 1084	1107	w54	w-8	L50	L-8	U--	U--	2.0

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33 SAINZ, JULIO	TN 1075/5	1051	L40	B--	X--	U--	U--	U--	2.0
34 SEWARD, ENUCH	TN 1053	1081	w51	L-4	w53	L-9	U--	U--	2.0
35 BRADLEY, BRAD	TN 1036	1055	L-9	B--	L19	w51	U--	U--	2.0
36 JOHNSON, RHONDA	TN 973/5	981	w55	L18	B--	U--	U--	U--	2.0
37 GUJIL, MIKE	TN 953/10	938	L27	D42	B--	D44	L14	U--	2.0
38 JONES, RICHARD A	TN 0	1079	B--	w51	L-4	L28	U--	U--	2.0
39 COLEMAN, JASON	TN 1685	1661	w41	L21	D20	U--	U--	U--	1.5
40 LEEVER, ROBERT W	TN 1324	1316	w33	L-2	L25	D41	U--	U--	1.5
41 MILLER, JOHN	TN 1239	1236	L39	L25	B--	D40	U--	U--	1.5
42 DUBERSTEIN, AARON	TN 1012	1026	L-3	D37	U--	w46	U--	U--	1.5
43 WHITE, SEAN M	TN 1000	1000	L12	D46	L14	B--	U--	U--	1.5
44 BUMAR, DUSTIN	TN 927	924	L14	H--	U--	D37	U--	U--	1.5
45 ALPERT, MELISSA J	TN 851/13	895	D59	L13	w62	U--	U--	U--	1.5
46 SIANO, MARVIN M	TN 0	814	B--	D43	L27	L42	U--	U--	1.5
47 BRONSTEIN, STUART	TN 0	1200	D61	w65	U--	U--	U--	U--	1.5
48 ROGERS, TUSH	TN 1335	1347	U--	U--	U--	L-2	w47	U--	1.0
49 CSEKO, PAUL	TN 1260	1226	L-6	B--	L-1	L26	L11	U--	1.0
50 CHAWFORD, JENNIE	TN 1185	1165	L-8	L54	w32	U--	U--	U--	1.0
51 JOHNSON, JAMES C	TN 1161	1099	L34	L38	B--	L35	U--	U--	1.0
52 MARCHFIELD, DUN	TN 1078	1074	L10	w64	L24	L57	U--	U--	1.0
53 MIDDLECUFF, WHIT	TN 1072	1037	L-4	L28	L34	B--	U--	U--	1.0
54 LAURINAS, HEATHER	TN 1056	1058	L32	w50	L-8	U--	U--	U--	1.0
55 CHWELL, HULLI W	TN 1037/1	753	L36	B--	L18	U--	U--	U--	1.0
56 LEE, TRACEE	TN 982/11	1023	L-5	w67	L23	U--	U--	U--	1.0
57 JOHNSON, MICHAEL	TN 900/13	953	L22	L22	U--	w52	U--	U--	1.0
58 SCOTT, KENNY T	TN 890/7	852	L29	B--	L16	U--	U--	U--	1.0
59 HAO, HATHI A	TN 837	851	D45	D62	L13	U--	U--	U--	1.0
60 ALPERT, SEAN A	TN 0	1236	w65	L17	U--	U--	U--	U--	1.0
61 HOOK, TED	TN 868/10	888	D47	L31	U--	U--	U--	U--	.5
62 HART, CARY G	MS 0	846	L13	D59	L45	U--	U--	U--	.5
63 PEDEN, ROBERT W	TN 1250/13	1244	L-2	L20	U--	U--	U--	U--	.0
64 KEE, ANDREW W	TN 1226/9	1148	L24	L52	L10	U--	U--	U--	.0
65 GROSSMANN, HRETI	TN 1024/4	928	L60	L47	U--	U--	U--	U--	.0
66 CHRISTIAN, JENNIFER	TN 907/6	866	L31	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	.0
67 SIMMONS, JEN	TN 824	815	L23	L56	L-5	U--	U--	U--	.0
68 BUMAR, KRIS	TN 731/4	799	L17	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	.0

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Players' Meeting

There will be a players' meeting at the Tennessee Open. This is your chance to be heard and decide who will be running the show for the next year.

Turkey Tour

(or Do What??)

The Tennessee Turkey Tour (hereafter referred to as TTT) is a year long contest to help promote chess participation and competition in Tennessee. The main idea is to give points to people participating in TTT events, have these points accumulate through the year, then award cash prizes to the people with the most points at the time of the Tennessee Open each year. There is no carry-over from year to year, i.e. you start from scratch each year at the conclusion of the Tennessee Open. How an event qualifies and how you earn points is broken down in the next section.

For a tournament to qualify, it must meet the following requirements:

1. Be USCF rated.
2. Require TCA membership for Tennessee residents. USCF membership for all participants but no other memberships.
3. Be in an OPEN WEEKEND tournament in Tennessee of at least 3 rounds in length.
4. Be cleared through the Tennessee Tournament Coordinator and advertised in the TCN tournament calendar. Only one tournament will be approved per weekend.
5. A copy of the final wall chart and appropriate TTT fees must be submitted to the tournament coordinator within 2 (two) weeks of the date of the tournament.

How do you earn points? Read on fellow TTT possible and see:

1. All players, upon completion of at least one-half the scheduled rounds in a Tennessee-USCF Grand Prix Turkey Tour event will earn 20 points. Completion of the same in the Tennessee Open earns 30 points and all others earn 10 points.
2. To earn more points in a said tournament, you must complete all rounds and have more wins than losses (Byes and Forfeits count as losses). The formula for tallying your score is wins minus losses times number of rounds.

Ah!! The prize fund!! This is formed from

tournament round fees (USCF Grand Prix-\$5/round; all others-\$3/round) and other donations. These prizes are then awarded by Class as follows:

Master/Expert, Class A	1st — 10 percent
	2nd — 5 percent
	3rd — 3 percent
Class B, C, D, & E	1st — 8 percent
	2nd — 5 percent
	3rd — 3 percent

Finally, the conditions of awarding the prizes or

THE RULES OF FAIR PLAY:

1. The finals class standing of a player will be determined by the September 1986 USCF rating supplement.
 2. TTT points accumulate for a player who moves up to a higher rating class, but the player remains eligible for prizes in the lower class based upon points earned while in that class. If a player moves to a lower class, points earned in higher class are not counted for the lower class and points earned in the lower class will not be carried forward if the player moves back to a higher class.
 3. A player may earn only on prize—the greater for which he is eligible.
 4. Players whose USCF class designation shows a former rating of 101 points, or more, over a prize class will not be eligible for that class prize but will be eligible for the prizes in the next higher class. Only players with permanent ratings are eligible for prizes. However, players will accumulate points during the time that their rating is provisional and those points will be credited to them in their first permanent rating class.
 5. Players must be TCA members to accumulate and collect Turkey points.
 6. The Tournament Coordinator is responsible for compiling class standings and awarding prizes.
- Any questions?? Good!! Rick Igou will be glad to answer them. His address is at the front of this newsletter.

Membership Expires

Your membership expires on August 31. There is a new rate in effect as of this date. The rates are \$6 per year for regular membership and \$4 per year for Junior memberships. These rates are no longer discounted if you join later in the year. Even if you join on August 21, 1987, that fee will be for 1986-87. Why not pay at the beginning of the fiscal year and continue receiving your TCN issue, help Tennessee finance its operations, and enjoy the tournament schedule from day one.

To join, you may either write to Harry D. Sabine at the address below or talk to your local Tournament Director—most can sign you up on the spot. If you write Harry Sabine, do not forget to include your name, mailing address, and check for the appropriate rate.

USCF Releases

The U. S. Junior Championship was held July 2, 1986. A Soviet Emigree, John Litvinchuk, won this strictly invitational event overcoming a very impressive field of competition. He downed two highest ranked entree's: Stuart Rachels and Patrick Wolff. Because of this win, he will represent the U. S. in the World Junior Championship in Norway in August.

We Tennesseans also wish to congratulate Ron Burnett for having participated in this very prestigious event.

Kasparov is again atop the world rating list. His victories over Jan Timman and Anthony Miles have raised his rating from 2720 to 2740 (for comparison, Bobby Fischer was rated 2780 when he retired).

Turkey Tour Leaders

The Tennessee Open will be the last chance for points on the Turkey Tour. The standings of the top five in each section as of this issue are as follows:

Master/Expert

1. Ron Burnett.....	326
2. Bill Melvin.....	306
3. Mark Ishee.....	270
4. Doug Ralston.....	116
5. Richard Carpenter.....	112

Category A

1. Brian D. Smith.....	188
2. Brian Lentz.....	147
3. Greg K. Robbins.....	119
4. Jimmy T. Watson.....	116
5. Bill Hall.....	92

Category B

1. Bill Orgain.....	215
2. Morris Lewis.....	123
3. Charles Martin.....	118
4. Brian Lentz.....	115
5. Joey G. Burton.....	103

Category C

1. Dave Jordan.....	129
2. Michael McTaggart.....	100
3. Joe Crump.....	93
4. Joey G. Burton.....	83
5. Harold Simmons.....	65

Category D

1. Clinton Pearson.....	120
2. Jason Johns.....	99
3. Dave Jordan.....	79
4. Chris Sides.....	75
5. Roger Swann.....	56

Category E & Below

1. Jason Johns.....	79
2. Cato White.....	73
3. Stone Steele.....	54
4. Neil Lentz.....	50
5. Thomas Matthews.....	30

Ishee Scores in Crossville

You never quite know what will happen in Crossville, and the Crossville Summer Tornado on May 31 was no exception. A field rife with Experts and entirely devoid of Masters (notable absentee: Turkey Tour leader NM Ron Burnett) left it "wide open." Fighting chess was in evidence throughout the day, and it is noteworthy that the numerous Experts in attendance all lost their points to each other!

It happens that the fickle finger of fate finally pointed at Mark Ishee, TCN's Middle Tennessee Editor, who not only won clear first place for the first time this year but also turned in his first 4-0 performance ever in Crossville. A round-by-round report of his games follows.

Mark Ishee (2012) vs. Charles Stubblefield (1716) Round 1
French Defense

1 - 0 30 05/31/86 Cumberland County Summer #1
1.e4 e6; 2.d4 d5; 3.e5 c5; 4.c3 Qb6; 5.Nf3 Nc6; 6.a3 Bd7; 7.b4 c4; 8.a4 a6; 9.g3 Be7; 10.Bh3 f6; 11.ef gf; 12.O-O O-O-O; 13.Re1 f5; 14.Ng5 Bxg5; 15.Bxg5 Rf8; 16.Nd2 h6; 17.Bf4 Qd8; 18.b5 Na5; 19.ba ba; 20.Qb1 Nc6; 21.Qb2 Rh7; 22.Rabl Be8; 23.Rxe6 R8f6; 24.Rxf6 Qxf6; 25.Qb6 Ra7; 26.Bg2 Nge7; 27.Nf3 Rd7; 28.Ne5+ Kc8; 29.Nxc6 Nxc6; 30.Bxd5 1-0

Emanuel Tsitsekis (2125) vs. Mark Ishee (2012) Round 2
Modern Defense

0 - 1 54 05/31/86 Cumberland County Summer #1
1.d4 g6; 2.c4 Bg7; 3.Nc3 d6; 4.e4 Nc6; 5.Be3 e5; 6.d5 Nce7; 7.Be2 f5; 8.f3 Nf6; 9.Qd2 b6; 10.O-O-O f4; 11.Bf2 g5; 12.g3 Ng6; 13.h4 fg; 14.Bxg3 gh; 15.Bxh4 Nxh4; 16.Rxh4 h5; 17.Qe1 Bh6+; 18.Kb1 Kf7; 19.Nh3 Bxh3; 20.Rch3 Qd7; 21.Qh1 Rag8; 22.Rh2 Bf4; 23.Rg2 Qc8; 24.Rdgl h4; 25.Rxg8 Nxg8; 26.Qg2 Bg3; 27.Nd1 Nf6; 28.Ne3 Nh5; 29.Nf5 Qg8; 30.Qf1 Qg5; 31.Nxg3 hg; 32.Qh3 Re8; 33.Bf1 Kg6; 34.Qd7 Re7; 35.Qd8 Re7; 36.Qg8+ Rg7; 37.Qe6+ Qf6; 38.Qc8 Qxf3; 39.Bg2 Qf2; 40.Qg4+ Kh6; 41.Qd1 Rg5; 42.Bf3 Nf4; 43.Rf1 Qe3; 44.Ka1 g2; 45.Rgl Qf2; 46.Bxg2 Rfg2; 47.Rh1+ Rh2; 48.Rxh2+ Qxh2; 49.b3 Qg2; 50.Qe1 Kg5; 51.Qe3 Qf1+; 52.Kb2 Qe2+; 53.Qxe2 Nxe2; 54.Kc2 Kf4 0-1

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Charles Martin (1702) vs. Mark Ishee (2012) Round 3

Modern Defense

0-1 45 05/31/86 Cumberland County Summer #1
 1.e4 g6; 2.d4 Bg7; 3.c4 d6; 4.Nc3 Nc6; 5.Be3 e5; 6.d5 Nce7; 7.Bd3 f5; 8.f3 Nf6; 9.Qd2 b6; 10.Bh6 Kf7; 11.Bxg7 Kxg7; 12.h4 f4; 13.O-O Nh5; 14.Nge2 Ng8; 15.Rdgl Ngf6; 16.g3 fg; 17.Nxg3 Nxg3; 18.Rxg3 Nh5; 19.Rggl Bd7; 20.Ne2 Qf6; 21.Qg5 Qxg5+; 22.Rxg5 Raf8; 23.Ng3 Nxg3; 24.Rxg3 h6; 25.Kd2 Rf4; 26.Ke3 Rhf8; 27.Be2 a5; 28.Rhgl R8f6; 29.b3 Rxd4; 30.Bfl g5; 31.Bg2 Rf8; 32.Rhl Rxd1; 33.Bxhl Kg6; 34.Bg2 h5; 35.Bh3 h4; 36.Bf5+ Bxf5; 37.ef+ Kcf5; 38.Rh3 Re8; 39.Rhl e4; 40.Rgl ef+; 41.Kxf3 g4+; 42.Rxg4 Re3+; 43.Kxe3 Kxg4; 44.Kf2 Kf4; 45.Ke2 Ke4 0-1

Mark Ishee (2012) vs. Richard Carpenter (2112) Round 4

King's Indian Defense

1-0 51 05/31/86 Cumberland County Summer #1
 1.Nf3 Nf6; 2.g3 g6; 3.Bg2 Bg7; 4.O-O O-O; 5.c4 d6; 6.d4 Nfd7; 7.Nc3 e5; 8.e4 Nc6; 9.d5 Ne7; 10.Nel f5; 11.Nd3 Nb6; 12.Qb3 fe; 13.Nxe4 Nf5; 14.Bg5 Qe8; 15.Racl Bd7; 16.Qd1 h6; 17.Bd2 Qf7; 18.b3 Nd4; 19.f4 Qe7; 20.fe Rxf1+; 21.Qxf1 Rf8; 22.Qd1 Bxe5; 23.Nxe5 Qxe5; 24.Bc3 c5; 25.dc Bxc6; 26.Qxd4 Nd7; 27.Qxe5 de; 28.Rf1 Rxf1+; 29.Kxf1 Kf7; 30.Nd2 Bxg2+; 31.Kxg2 Ke6; 32.Kf3 h5; 33.Ne4 b6; 34.Bd2 Ke7; 35.Nf2 Ke6; 36.Nh3 Kf5; 37.Ng5 e4+; 38.Kg2 Ne5; 39.Be3 Ng4; 40.Bf4 Ne5; 41.Bxe5 Kxe5; 42.Kf2 Kd4; 43.Ke2 a5; 44.Ne6+ Kc3; 45.c5 bc; 46.Nxc5 Kb2; 47.Ke3 Kxa2; 48.Kxe4 Ka3; 49.Kd4 Kb4; 50.h4 Kb5; 51.Nd3 1-0

Bill Orgain (1736) vs. Curtis Graham (1970)

French Defense

0-1 30 04/12/86 Cumberland County Spring #1
 1.e4 e6; 2.d4 d5; 3.e5 c5; 4.c3 Nc6; 5.Nf3 Qb6; 6.a3 c4; 7.Nbd2 Bd7; 8.Be2 Ne7; 9.O-O Ng6; 10.Rel f6; 11.ef gf; 12.Rbl Qc7; 13.b4 b5; 14.Bfl Bb6; 15.g3 h5; 16.Bh3 Kf7; 17.Nf1 Rag8; 18.Ne3 h4; 19.Bg2 hg; 20.fg Nce7; 21.Rb2 a6; 22.Rf2 Nf5; 23.Nf5 ef; 24.Refl f4; 25.Bf4 Bf4; 26.gf Nf4; 27.Qd2 Nh3; 28.Khl Nf2+; 29.Qf2 Qg3; 30.Ne5+ Ke8 0-1

Curtis Graham (1970) vs. Brian Lentz (1753)

Closed Sicilian

1-0 27 04/13/86 Cumberland County Spring #2
 1.e4 c5; 2.Nc3 Nc6; 3.g3 d6; 4.Bg2 Nf6; 5.Nge2 Bd7; 6.O-O g6; 7.d3 Bg7; 8.h3 O-O; 9.Be3 Qc8; 10.Kh2 a6; 11.Qd2 Qc7; 12.Bh6 Rf8; 13.Bg7 Kg7; 14.f4 Nd4; 15.Nd1 Ne2; 16.Qe2 c4; 17.d4 Rab8; 18.e5 de; 19.fe Ne8; 20.Ne3 Bb5; 21.c3 Bd7; 22.Bd5 Be6; 23.Be6 fe; 24.Qf3 Nd6; 25.ed ed; 26.Qf6+ Kh6; 27.Ng4+ 1-0

Cumberland County Summer Open I

PLAYER	PRE SI RING	POST RING	1 2 3 4				TOT
			1	2	3	4	
1 ISHEE, MARK	TN 1997	2075	w27	w-3	w16	w-4	4.0
2 MELVIN, BILL	TN 2129	2134	w13	w11	L-4	w-8	3.0
3 TSITSEKLIS, EMANUE	TN 2125	2137	w-6	L-1	w17	w-7	3.0
4 CARPENTER, RICHARD	TN 2107	2120	w14	w-5	w-2	L-1	3.0
5 SMITH, BRIAN D	TN 2017	2016	w22	L-4	w26	w12	3.0
6 LENTZ, BRIAN D	TN 1816	1872	L-3	w28	w21	w11	3.0
7 CHAMBERS, CHRIS L	TN 2123	2114	w26	w19	w-8	L-3	2.5
8 GOODE, BARRY D	TN 2008	2019	w21	w12	D-7	L-2	2.5
9 HOBBS, GREGORY K	TN 1932	1911	010	L16	w27	w17	2.5
10 LYNN, BOBBY J	TN 1599	1630	D-9	L26	w20	w16	2.5
11 CUPE, JR JAMES I	MD 1949	1945	w15	L-2	w14	L-6	2.0
12 PEDDIERSON, JOHN	TN 1849	1847	w23	L-8	w13	L-5	2.0
13 OUSLEY, LARRY J	TN 1805	1800	L-2	w15	L12	w22	2.0
14 OSHMAN, MARK A	TN 1798	1805	L-4	w22	L11	w21	2.0
15 VILES, ROGER E	TN 1615	1613	L11	L13	w23	w26	2.0
16 MARTIN, CHARLES	TN 1755	1761	018	w-9	L-1	L10	1.5

Continued

17 JORDAN, DAVE J	TN 1671	1698	w20	D18	L-3	L-9	1.5
18 HALL, BILL	TN 1975	1955	016	017	U--	U--	1.0
19 FARR, ROY T	TN 1931	1930	w28	L-7	U--	U--	1.0
20 MC HENRY, TIM	TN 1846	1789	L17	D27	L10	D28	1.0
21 ORGAIN, WILLIAM H	TN 1812	1785	L-8	w23	L-6	L14	1.0
22 MC TAGGART, MICHAEL	TN 1502	1515	L-5	L14	w28	L13	1.0
23 STANCLIFF, LEON D	TN 1410	1425	L12	L21	L15	w27	1.0
24 WHITE, EDWIN CATO	TN 1141	1166	U--	w29	U--	U--	1.0
25 DOURILL, WILLIAM H	TN 1078	1104	w29	U--	U--	U--	1.0
26 HENDRICK, MICHAEL	AL 767/4	1203	L-7	w10	L-5	L15	1.0
27 STUBBLEFIELD, CHAR	GA 1760	1723	L-1	D20	L-9	L23	.5
28 HOOD, DAVID	TN 1712	1683	L19	L-6	L22	D20	.5
29 GALLIGO, WILLIAM T	TN 1349	1298	L25	L24	U--	U--	.0

Cumberland County Summer/Amateur

PLAYER	PRE ST RING	POST RING	1 2 3 4				TOT
			1	2	3	4	
1 SHARP, STEVEN	GA 1492/4	1629	w11	w-6	w-8	w-2	4.0
2 SWANN, RODGER M	TN 1445	1463	w12	w-3	w-5	L-1	3.0
3 HYDZIK, ROBERT J	TN 1376	1407	w-7	L-2	w-9	w-6	3.0
4 WHITE, EDWIN CATO	TN 1166	1212	L-6	B--	w10	w-8	3.0
5 DUDKILL, WILLIAM B	TN 1104	1133	B--	w11	L-2	D10	2.5
6 MC HENRY, LYNN	TN 1397	1404	w-4	L-1	w12	L-3	2.0
7 UNDERWOOD, JOHN M	TN 1371/13	1338	L-3	L12	w13	w11	2.0
8 GRAHAM, JR JOSEPH	TN 1330	1339	w13	w-9	L-1	L-4	2.0
9 PEDDILSON, JANICE	TN 1104/6	1184	w10	L-8	L-3	w12	2.0
10 MORGAN, GORDON H	TN 1332	1302	L-9	w13	L-4	D-5	1.5
11 PEARSON, JR CLINTO	TN 1292	1252	L-1	L-5	B--	L-7	1.0
12 STEELE, STONE M	TN 1180	1180	L-2	w-7	L-6	L-9	1.0
13 STEWART, JAMES D	TN 1149/5	1069	L-8	L10	L-7	B--	1.0

Cumberland County Summer Open II

1 BURNETT, RONALD WA	TN 2355	2358	w13	D-6	w11	w-3	3.5
2 MELVIN, BILL	TN 2134	2142	w17	D-8	w-9	w10	3.5
3 TSITSEKLIS, EMANUE	TN 2137	2153	w15	w-5	w-4	L-1	3.0
4 CARPENTER, RICHARD	TN 2120	2119	w25	w12	L-3	w13	3.0
5 SMITH, BRIAN D	TN 2016	2028	w20	L-3	w-8	w12	3.0
6 RUBBINS, GREGORY K	TN 1911	1945	w21	D-1	D10	D11	2.5
7 LENTZ, BRIAN D	TN 1872	1865	w19	L10	D17	w18	2.5
8 PEDDIERSON, JOHN	TN 1847	1863	w23	D-2	L-5	w16	2.5
9 BURNETT, JOHN T	TN 1813	1819	D18	w24	L-2	w17	2.5
10 CHAMBERS, CHRIS L	TN 2114	2096	D16	w-7	D-6	L-2	2.0
11 ISHEE, MARK	TN 2075	2061	D24	w16	L-1	D-6	2.0
12 WATSON, JIMMY T	TN 1860	1858	w22	L-4	w15	L-5	2.0
13 ORGAIN, WILLIAM H	TN 1785	1798	L-1	w18	w21	L-4	2.0
14 LENTZ, NEIL D	TN 1182	1240	w26	U--	L16	w23	2.0
15 LIPKIN, ALAN H	TN 1707	1691	L-3	w22	L12	D19	1.5
16 MC NEESE, JACK D	TN 1669/4	1742	D10	L11	w14	L-8	1.5
17 BURTON, JOEY G	TN 1611	1623	L-2	w23	D-7	L-9	1.5
18 UNDERWOOD, JOHN M	TN 1352	1394	D-9	L13	w24	L-7	1.5
19 GRAHAM, JR JOSEPH	TN 1339	1370	L-7	L20	w22	D15	1.5
20 JORDAN, DAVE J	TN 1698	1697	L-5	w19	U--	U--	1.0
21 DERRICK, MARK T	TN 1557	1554	L-6	w26	L13	U--	1.0
22 SIMMONS, HAROLD LL	TN 1520	1490	L12	L15	L19	w26	1.0
23 CHAMBERS, STEVE	TN 1493	1475	L-8	L17	w26	L14	1.0
24 LYNN, BOBBY J	TN 1630	1621	D11	L-9	L18	U--	.5
25 MARTIN, CHARLES	TN 1761	1757	L-4	U--	U--	U--	.0
26 PEARSON, JR CLINTO	TN 1252	1232	L14	L21	L23	L22	.0

1986 Southeastern Amateur Team Chess Tournament

November 15 - 16, 1986

Fairfield Glade Resort - Crossville, TN

Sponsored by the Tennessee Chess Association,
Fairfield Glade Resort and the Cumberland County Chess Club

A Tennessee Turkey Tour Event

PRIZES

TEAM	INDIVIDUAL
1st 4 plaques	Board 1..... Chess Clock
1st - Under 2000..... 4 plaques	Board 2..... Chess Clock
1st - Under 1700..... 4 plaques	Board 3..... Chess Clock
1st - Under 1400..... 4 plaques	Board 4..... Chess Clock
1st - High School Team 4 plaques	
1st - Junior High Team..... 4 plaques	SCHOLASTIC
1st - Elementary Team 4 plaques	Board 1 Chess Set & Board
Best Team Name..... 4 plaques	Board 2 Chess Set & Board
Best Team Uniform..... 4 plaques	Board 3 Chess Set & Board
	Board 4 Chess Set & Board

INFORMATION

ENTRY FEE:

ADVANCE: (if received by Nov. 10th)
Regular Team-\$36.00 (\$9.00/person)
Scholastic Team-\$20.00 (\$5.00/person)
SITE:
Regular Team-\$44.00 (\$11/person)
Scholastic Team-\$28.00 (\$7/person)

REGISTRATION:

Saturday, November 15th - 7:00-8:30 a.m.

ROUNDS: (Five Round Swiss)

Saturday - 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
Sunday - 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
(All times Central Standard Time)

TIME CONTROL:

40 moves in 100 minutes then
15 moves in 30 minutes

DUES:

USCF dues required for all players
TCA dues required for TN residents
(Dues may be paid at tournament)

TEAM RULES:

- (1) TEAMS: Each team consists of 4 players. (2 alternates are permitted).
- (2) SCHOLASTIC TEAMS: All players on a high school team must be in grade 12 & below; on a junior high team, grade 9 & below; and on an elementary team, grade 6 & below.
- (3) RATING: No team may have an average rating higher than 2199. The team rating is the average of the 4 highest rated players on the team. The November rating list will be used.
- (4) ALTERNATES: All alternates must be registered by the end of registration.
- (5) UNRATED PLAYERS: Unrated players will be assigned a rating of 50 points less than the lowest rated player on their team. A team of all unrated players will be assigned a team rating of 1500.
- (6) BOARD ORDER: Players must play in rating order with the highest rated on board 1, etc.
- (7) INTERCHANGES: If players are rated within 50 points of each other, the board order may be switched. Board order **cannot** be changed after registration ends.
- (8) INDIVIDUALS: If you would like to play but cannot form a team, send in your individual entry fee and we will assign you to a team.

LODGING:

For room reservations write or call:
Conference Sales Office
Fairfield Glade Resort
P.O. Box 1849
Fairfield Glade, TN 38555
From Tennessee - 1-800-262-6702
From all other states - 1-800-251-6778

Lodge-\$39.00 + tax (any number of persons)
Villa Parlor-\$50.00 + tax
Villa Bedroom-\$40.00 + tax
Condominiums-\$90.00 + tax
(Reservations should be made by Oct. 22nd)

TO ENTER:

Send all entry forms to:
Harry D. Sabine
P.O. Box 381
Crossville, TN 38555
(615) 484-9593 or
(615) 484-4878

11	LEE, LYNN F	TN	1068/13	1081	w16	L-8	L12	w21	2.0
12	WYNN, WILLIAM ANTH	TN	0	1198	w13	L-9	w11	L-7	2.0
13	GUTHRIE, NEWTON A	TN	0	1199	L12	w15	w14	L-3	2.0
14	HURTON, STEVE M	TN	0	1202	L-1	w16	L13	w22	2.0
15	DUDRILL, WILLIAM B	TN	1091	1078	L-9	L13	D16	w23	1.5
16	TURNMIRE, DANA	GA	0	977	L11	L14	D15	w24	1.5
17	KADE, JIM	TN	0	1141	L-3	w23	D-7	L-6	1.5
18	HORTILLUSA, ANDRES	TN	1524/3	1561	w-6	U--	U--	U--	1.0
19	JOHNS, THOMAS A	GA	1383	1391	w20	U--	U--	U--	1.0
20	SPANN, KEVIN M	TN	1239/14	1199	L19	L-5	w23	L10	1.0
21	MC MEEN, WAYNE	TN	0	918	L-8	L22	w24	L11	1.0
22	DEKRICK, DAVID	TN	0	1026	L-4	w21	L-5	L14	1.0
23	JONES, DAVID	GA	0	765	L-7	L17	L20	L15	.0
24	WYNN, ANTHONY JERK	TN	0	741	L10	L-6	L21	L16	.0

The Opening Phase

by Paul Linxwiler

Most players usually have a few strange pet lines that they occasionally employ over the board. Here's two examples of a weird one I've had some fun with recently (with apologies to Oliver & Guy). The position arises out of the Main Line of the Najdorf Sicilian.

Game I Auburndale
 "April Fool's" Open
 White: Paul Linxwiler (2162)
 Black: Oliver Tai (1883)

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nxd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 a6 6. Bg5 e6 7. f4 Be7 8. Qf3 Qc7 9. 0-0 Nbd7 The young Mr. Tai (recently just turned 10 years old!!) is well versed in the intricate nastiness of the Najdorf. I did not care to see what he had prepared for me after the more orthodox tries of 10. Bd3 or 10. g4, SD...so...

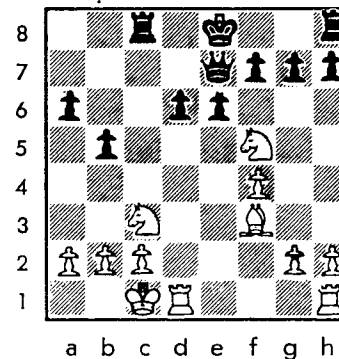
10. Be2... As Fischer notes in My 60 Memorable Games, "An innovation whose dubious merit appears on mope 13." For those individuals interested in pursuing this little-researched line, game R14 of the classic 60 Memorable is the Keres-Fischer encounter from the 1959 Candidates Tournament in which this line was played.

10...b5 11. Bxf6 Nxf6 12. e5! Bb7 13. exf6!... This is the idea behind 10. Be2. White jettisons his Queen for several pieces, leading to an unclear position, full of pitfalls for Black. The shock value of this move alone is often worth something!

13... Bxf3 14. Bxf3 Re6? This looks natural, but is actually bad. Best is 14... Bf6 15. Bxa8 d5 threatening 0-0. Fischer managed to win the game against Keres, but only after the latter made several mistakes.

15. fxe7... White clearly stands better here, having three pieces for the Queen. In addition, after 15. Rfe1, White will have all his pieces developed, whereas Black will have trouble getting his King to safety and getting his King's rook into play.

15... Qc7? 16. Nf5!



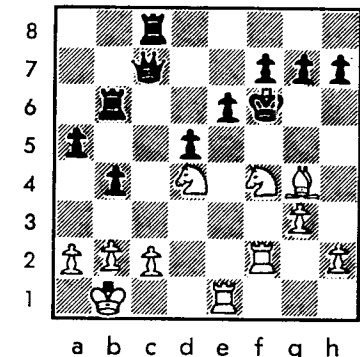
16... Qc7 17. Nxd6+ Ke7 18. Nxc8 Rxc8 19. Rd4! a5 20. Rhd1... and White won on move 41.

Game II B. B. Jefferson Memorial Open
 White: Paul Linxwiler (2158)
 Black: Guy Thompson (1883)

Guy and I played the same first 14 moves as the previous game. It proceeded as follows: 15. fxe7 b4! Thompson avoids the poison pawn on e7, and instead tries to initiate play against c2.

16. Ne4!... Better perhaps is 16. Bc6+ but this looked fine at the time. Now 16... e5 (to drive the knight from the defense of c2) fails to Bg4! 16... d5 17. Nf2 Qxf4+ 18. Kb1 Kxe7 Black has managed to reach a reasonable position, but getting his king safely out of the center will prove difficult. 19. Rfe1 Rhd8 20. g3 Qc7 21. Nd3!... Attacking the b4 pawn and preventing the annoying 21...e5. This knight is headed for f4, where it will pressure e6 and d5. 21... a5 22. Nf4 Kf6? Black is understandably tired of the cheapo on d5 and e6 (e.g. 22... Kf8?? 23. Nxe6+ wins or 22... Rd6 23. Nxd5+ is also very good), but a better try may have been 22... Qb7 or Qc4. 23. Nh5?... Patzer sees a check, gives a check. Imperative is 23. Bg4!, as we will see. Black now has the opportunity to run to safety on h6. 23... Kg6 24. Nf4+ Kf6? Black should have availed himself of the opportunity to play 24... Kh6!, where it is difficult for the white pieces to get to him. 25. Bg4!... I didn't miss it this time. The merits of this move are many.

First, it stops the damaging e5 move, that I mentioned earlier. Second, it clears the f-file for a rook, and lastly it clears f3 for the knight. Note, that black cannot escape by 25... g6 and 26... Kg7 due to 27. Nxe6! (again!) 25... Rd6? this was the last chance for 25... Qc4. 26. Rd2!... Threatening Nb5 and the crushing Rf2. 26... Rb6? It was probably preferable to let the exchange go by 26... Kg5, but things are bad anyway. 27. Rf2...



27... Kg5 The only move. 28. Bxe6! Re8 29. h4 Resigns on 29... Kh6 30. Nf5 mate or 29... Kf6 30. Nd5+ forking everything

Chess Trivia Quiz No. 2

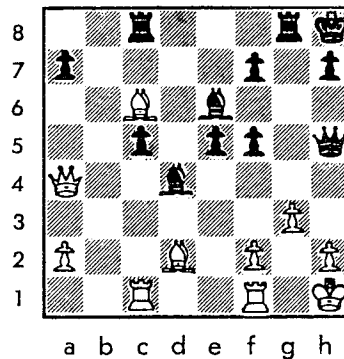
by Mark Ishee

- Who gave the Sicilian Defense its name?
- For whom is the English Opening named?
- What caused Tchigorin's death at age 58?
- Why did Rudolf Spielmann say he refused to emigrate to the Soviet Union in 1925?
- Why did Frank Marshall found New York's Marshall Chess Club?
- Of what did British champion F.D. Yates die in 1928?
- Who lost the shortest game in U. S. Championship history?
- Who were the players in the "Immortal Game"?
- Who were the players in the "Evergreen Game"?
- Who made 144 moves in a row with his queen against Mackenzie at London 1882?
- Who was the player who upset Nimzovich by "threatening to smoke"?
- Who won more games against Paul Morphy than anyone else, including one win as Black with the opening 1. e4 f6?
- Which three players won the first international tournament in which they played?
- Who defeated Alekhine, Capablanca, and Lasker the first time he played them?

Answer on Page 14

Informant 39, Game 50
 Adorjan-Miles

Just For Fun



Black to move and win.
 (Solution: 1. Bd7!; 2. Bxd7 (else a piece is lost) Qf3!; 3. Kg1 Rg3!; 4. hg Qg3!; 5. Kh1 Qh3!; 6. Kg1 Rg8!; 7. Bg5 Rg3 mate).

National Elementary Flash

Several elementary students and schools from Tennessee finished in the prize category at National Elementary tournament. Following is a list of them and their prizes:

- Elementary Championship**
 - Oliver Tai... Auburndale—7th
 - Craig Klein... Auburndale—14th
 - Auburndale... 5th place
- Elementary Junior Varsity**
 - Andy Albertson... Homestead—5th
 - Paul Cseko... Auburndale—13th
 - Auburndale... 8th place team
 - Homestead... 11th place team
- Primary Section**
 - Alec Horgan... Auburndale—8th
 - Harold Simmons... Homestead—18th
 - Cole Bass... Auburndale—27th
 - Auburndale... 6th Place Team

I will have to say, Tennessee was certainly well represented!

1986 TENNESSEE OPEN

OPEN SECTION — open to all
ENTRY FEE: \$22 advance if received by 8/23/86, \$27 at site; entry fee refunded for Masters who complete all rounds and win no prize.

1st— \$150 plus trophy
 2nd— \$100
 3rd— \$50

1st Expert— \$100 plus trophy
 2nd Expert— \$50

1st Class A— \$100 plus trophy
 2nd Class A— \$40
 3rd Class A— \$20

1st Class B— \$100 plus trophy
 2nd Class B— \$40
 3rd Class B— \$20

Trophy to TN State Champion and Junior Champion (If not Open Champion)
 Scrivener Plaque to Top Team
 Certificate for Best Game
 Upset Prize — \$25 plus Certificate



AMATEUR SECTION — open to 1599 and below

ENTRY FEE: \$17 if received by 8/23/86, \$22 at site

1st— \$125 plus trophy
 2nd— \$75
 3rd— \$30

1st Class D— \$50 plus trophy
 2nd Class D— \$25

1st Class E— \$50 plus trophy
 2nd Class E— \$25

Unrated Champion— \$50 plus trophy*
 Trophy to Top Team
 Certificate for Best Game
 Upset Prize— \$25 plus Certificate

* Unrated players eligible for Unrated prize only.

BOTH SECTIONS:

6-SS, TL 50/2

Under age 18 may enter any section for \$5 advance, \$10 at site, but may compete for trophies only.

Titles and trophies restricted to TCA members. State Champion and Junior State Champion titles restricted to state residents.

USCF and TCA membership required, other states OK.

No Smoking, No Computers. Wheelchair Access.

DATES: August 30, 31 and September 1

SITE: Clement Lodge, Montgomery Bell State Park

RESERVATIONS: Montgomery Bell Inn, Burns, TN 37209, (615) 797-3101

ROOM RATES:

Economy.....\$35.00
 Deluxe.....38.00
 Cabin.....42.50

All reservations must be received by 8/1/86 to assume lodging at site; otherwise off-site lodging may be the only choice.

REGISTER: August 30, 9:00-11:30 a.m.

ROUNDS:

Saturday..... 1:00-6:00
 Sunday..... 9:00-3:00
 Monday..... 8:00-1:00

ADVANCE ENTRIES AND INFORMATION:

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AFFILIATE: TN Chess Association

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Tennessee Open Here

The Tennessee Open is upon us again (see ad this issue). If you sit very still, you can almost hear the pounding hooves of the charging horses, small the encampments' smoking fires and milling animals, feel the electric charge in the air as the excitement grows, see the forest and streams beside the camps. But then, with the location in Montgomery Bell State Park this year—this need not be all

imagination. Much of this could be reality (except pounding hooves I hope).

This is the one that determines the best in Tennessee (along with other states. I strongly suggest making reservations early to assure best places to stay). Below are listed former Champions—both Junior and Regular—who have emerged victorious from these bloody battles.

Tennessee State Champions

Year	Name	City
1. 1947	Robert Coveyou.....	Oak Ridge
2. 1948	Jerry Sullivan.....	Knoxville
3. 1949	L. C. Norderer.....	Oak Ridge
4. 1950	J. B. Mullinix.....	Chattanooga
5. 1951	Jerry Sullivan.....	Knoxville
6. 1952	L. C. Norderer.....	Oak Ridge
7. 1953	Jerry Sullivan (Co-Champions). Martin Southern.....	Knoxville
8. 1954	Robert Coveyou.....	Oak Ridge
9. 1955	Robert Coveyou.....	Oak Ridge
10. 1956	Jerry Sullivan.....	Knoxville
11. 1957	Jerry Sullivan.....	Knoxville
12. 1958	Robert Coveyou.....	Oak Ridge
13. 1959	Robert Coveyou.....	Oak Ridge
14. 1960	Jerry Sullivan.....	Knoxville
15. 1961	Robert Coveyou.....	Oak Ridge
16. 1962	Emanuel Tsitseklis.....	Knoxville
17. 1963	Robert Coveyou.....	Oak Ridge
18. 1964	James Wright.....	Memphis
19. 1965	David Burris.....	Knoxville
20. 1966	David Burris.....	Knoxville
21. 1967	David Burris.....	Knoxville
22. 1968	Robert Coveyou.....	Oak Ridge
23. 1969	James Sweets.....	Chattanooga
24. 1970	James Wright.....	Memphis
25. 1971	Douglas Ralston.....	Nashville
26. 1972	Juan Aristorenas.....	Chattanooga
27. 1973	John Hurt.....	Memphis
28. 1974	Kenny Thomas.....	Memphis
29. 1975	Kenny Thomas.....	Memphis
30. 1976	Emanuel Tsitseklis.....	Knoxville
31. 1977	Louis Torres.....	Knoxville
32. 1978	Marty Appleberry.....	Memphis
33. 1979	Marty Appleberry.....	Memphis
34. 1980	L. Dickerson (Co-Champs.)..... Kenny Thomas.....	Knoxville Memphis
35. 1981	Curt Jones (Co-Champs.)..... Michael Carey.....	Nashville Nashville
36. 1982	J. Sentef, Jr. (Co-Champs.)..... Paul Harless.....	Jackson Nashville
37. 1983	M. Carey (Co-Champs.)..... Sid Pickard.....	Nashville Memphis
38. 1984	J. S. Moore (Co-Champs.)..... Leonard Dickerson.....	Nashville Knoxville
39. 1985	Charles Maddigan.....	Oak Ridge

Tennessee Junior Champions

Year	Name	City
1. 1959	Troy Armstrong.....	Memphis
2. 1960	David Slack.....	Kingsport
3. 1961	Ben Batson.....	Knoxville
4. 1962	Mark Gilley.....	Memphis
5. 1963	David Burris.....	Knoxville
6. 1964	David Burris.....	Knoxville
7. 1965	Mark Gilley.....	Memphis
8. 1966	Ted Mercer.....	Dayton
9. 1967	Robert Churchill.....	Memphis
10. 1968	Larry Ousley.....	Maryville
11. 1969	Mack Garner.....	Maryville
12. 1970	Mack Garner.....	Maryville
13. 1971	Robert Felt.....	Memphis
14. 1972	Vernon Vix.....	Nashville
15. 1973	Kenny Thomas.....	Memphis
16. 1974	Steve Gibson.....	Nashville
17. 1975	Phillip Boyer.....	Chattanooga
18. 1976	Dewey Maynard.....	Nashville
19. 1977	Curt Jones.....	Nashville
20. 1978	Gregory Hood.....	Memphis
21. 1979	Curt Jones.....	Nashville
22. 1980	Gary McMurray.....	Hendersonville
23. 1981	Clark Brown.....	Signal Mountain
24. 1982	Ron Burnett.....	Eagleview
25. 1983	Ron Burnett.....	Nashville
26. 1984	Ron Burnett.....	Nashville
27. 1985	Ron Burnett.....	Nashville

This is also the beginning of a new Shriver Plaque (the last was retired last year to the Pillsbury Club in Memphis). This plaque contains the winning team's name at the Tennessee Open each year and that team—or club—the plaque until the next Tennessee Open. A plaque will have several years of Champion Clubs on it before it is retired. The main clubs seem to have been Knoxville, Nashville, and Pillsbury up to this point in time. I believe other parts of the state now have some chances. So mount your favorite charger, grab your lady fair, and march off to the battleground.

Warning!! Beware of Dragons, Indians, seemingly defenseless serfs, and Bears—unless St. George is near... All have been reported headed for the event.

Those Over-The-Board Ratings How They Change

by John White

OTB-ratings are guides to predicting chess tournament performance. The ratings are not precise strength evaluations OTB-ratings are performance averages and can be viewed as approximations within a range. For those rated below 2100, the range is at least plus or minus 56 points (the standard deviation). A rating fluctuation of 112 points, more or less, is acceptable.

Ratings are either provisional or established. Provisional ratings are based on twenty or fewer games and are less reliable measures of chess strength than established ratings. Established ratings are based on more than twenty games and are an accurate strength indication.

The unrated or provisional rated player may use the following formula to figure his provisional rating up to twenty games. NOTE: when an opponent has a rating under 1000, the calculations are made as if said opponent had a rating of 1000. This is true when calculating all ratings, provisional or established.

Rating = Opponent's Average + [400{(Wins-Loses)} Number of Games

Players with established ratings below 2100 may approximate their rating gains or losses by the table below. Players rated 2100-2399 should multiply the changes by 3/4ths. Players rated above 2400 should multiply the changes by 1/2.

SOME SAMPLE RATING POINT CHANGES:

(Rating Difference)	(When higher wins)	(When Lower wins)	(Draw Higher Loses & Lower gains)
0	16	16	0
50	14	18	2
100	12	20	4
150	10	22	6
200	8	24	8
250	7	25	10
300	5	27	11
350	4	28	12
400	3	29	13
450	3	29	14
500	2	30	14
550	2	30	15
600	1	31	15
650	1	31	15
700	1	31	15
750	1	32	16
800	1	32	16

The rating changes are based on "win expectancy". Win expectancy is like a batting average. A baseball player hitting 300 should hit approximately 3 of ten times at bat (or 300 times out of 1000). The win expectancy is established by the rating difference of two chess players. For example: Two chess players have a rating difference of 200 points — the higher rated player's difference of 200 points — then higher rated player's win expectancy

is 0.760 and the lower's is 0.240; the higher rated should win 3/4ths of the time and the lower should win approximately 1/4th of the games.

Players may also earn bonus and feedback points. Bonus points are awarded if a player's rating gain in an event exceeds a certain limit. A player earning bonus points will cause his opponents to have their games against him re-rated against his higher performance rating the difference in the two rating gains is referred to as feedback points).

For further information on over-the-board ratings and win expectancy, write the U. S. Chess federation asking for material on "The U.S.C.F. Rating System".

Games of Interest from 1986

Brian Lentz 1816 Larry Gosnell 1639
Knoxville vs. Maryville
Club Match 6-26-86

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 g6 3. d4 Bg7 4. Nc3 cd 5. Nd4 Nc6 6. Be3 e5 7. Nc6 bc 8. Bc4 Ne7 9. Qd6 0-0 10. 0-0 h6 11. f4 Kh7 12. fe Qe8 13. Rf3 Ng8 14. Bd4 f6 15. ef Rf6 16. Bf6 Nf6 17. Rf6 Qd8 18. Rf7 Qg5 19. Qe7 resigns.

White: Chris Chambers 2011

Black: Leonard Dickerson 2137 7-28-84

1.e4 c6 2. d4 d5 3. ed cd 4. c4 Nf6 5. Nc3 e6 6. c5 Be7 7. Nf3 0-0 8. Bf4 Ne4 9. Qc2 Qa5 10. Bd3 f5 11. 0-0 Nc3 12. Bd2 Ne2+ 13. Be2 Qc7 14. Bd3 Nc6 15. Rf1 Bf6 16. Be3 g5 17. b4 g4 18. Ne5 Ne5 19. de Bg5 20. Qe2 Rf7 21. Bd2 Bd2 22. Qd2 a5 23. a3 ab 24. ab Ra1 25. Ra1 Qe5 26. Ra8 Qc7 27. Qg5+ Rg7 28. Qf6 Rg6 29. Qd4 h5 30. g3 h4 31. Qf4 e5 32. Qf5 Re6 33. Qg4+ Kf8 34. Qh4 Kf7 35. Bb5 Rg6 36. Qh7+ Rg7 37. Qh5+ Kf6 38. Qh8 Be6 39. Qd8+ Qd8 40. Rd8 e4 41. c6 bc 42. Bc6 Ke5 43. b5 Rc7 44. b6 Rc6 45. b7 Rb6 46. B8-Q+ Rb8 47. Rb8 d4 48. Kf1 Bg4 49. Rb5+ Kf6 50. Ke1 Bf3 51. Rd5 d3 52. Ra5 Kg6 53. Kd2 Kf6 54. Ke3 Ke6 55. h4 Kf6 56. Rd5 Bg2 57. g4 Kg6 58. Rf5 Bh1 59. f3 d2 60. Kd2 Bf3 61. Rf3 ef 62. Ke3 black resigns.

Answers to Trivia Quiz No. 2

1. Greco
2. Howard Staunton
3. Cirrhosis of the liver
4. He detested Russian beer
5. He was thrown out of the Manhattan Chess Club for repeatedly appearing to play while intoxicated.
6. Gas poisoning
7. Kamran Shirazi (playing white) lost to Jack Peters thus: 1. e4 c5; 2. b4 cb; 3. a3 d5; 4. ed Qxd5; 5. ab? Qe5+0-1
8. Anderssen-Kieseritzky
9. Anderssen-Defresne
10. James Mason
11. Dr. Vidmar
12. T. W. Barnes
13. Capablanca, Pillsbury, Morphy
14. Akiba Rubinstein

Purchasing and Using A Chess Computer

It seems likely that chess players in the near future will turn increasingly to computers and chess-playing computer programs in their study and preparation. The advantages of computer-assisted cataloging of games and variations by means of a data-base management program are obviously useful to those who are knowledgeable about operating computers and about programming, yet there are many chess players who are not interested in computer programming or in compiling games and variations of analysis. These players are the ones who purchase a computer which exclusively plays chess. The thorny problem then arises: which one to buy? There's no easy answer to this question, since it depends largely upon how the computer chess program will be used, as well as upon the playing strength and budget of the prospective owner.

Regardless of your playing strength, it is very likely that the acquisition of a chess-playing computer can assist your development, even if you only use it (as does one Master I know) for playing blindfold chess. Personally, I find it helpful to play an evening of fast games with the machine starting from book positions which I want to examine in depth. These are often opening positions, but studying the endgame this way is also great practice.

Playing Against Computers

Although it rarely occurs in Tennessee tournaments, the advent of computer chess-playing programs in USCF rated events in recent years is of no small importance to the serious tournament competitor, who may eventually face one of the vile, cold-blooded things over the board. Of course, it is possible to request "no computers" in your pairings at the tournament's registration, but the true seeker of chessic truth will not do this (since it involves a certain amount of self-doubt in the name of better pairings). Thus, as a brave and hardy genius-hero in search of glory, honor, prize money, and the ever-elusive checkmate, how will you fare when paired with a computer chess program?

The problem with chess-playing computer programs from the tournament competitor's standpoint is that they play very differently from the way humans play. Machines tend to be greedy, placing too much emphasis on the material point count, and tend to be opportunistic rather than profound in their strategic play. Although BELLE and other world-class chess programs play well enough to defeat masters occasionally, most commercial programs still have a long way to go in their methods of evaluation. For example, if it is possible for you to sacrifice material in order to achieve a position where "normal" material values do not apply, most computers will go for the bait. But your offer had better be sound, or you will most likely end up with nothing to show for your wood except a lost game!

It has been said of chess that "The mistakes are all there, waiting to be made," and this is never more true than when man meets machine. When computers defeat humans, it usually occurs because of one of three reasons: (1) the human overattacks from a

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superior position; (2) the machine's intrinsic superiority in calculating specific variations enables it to win through sheer tactics; (3) the human is tempted to "punish" the computer for its positional errors, and thus underestimates the strength of the computer's moves. How can a human player make best use of his own natural talents when facing a mechanized opponent who knows no fear?

When playing computers, keep in mind that their ability to calculate long variations has a dark side known as the "horizon effect." Simply, this means that a computer will analyze every legal move for both sides for a given number of moves and then stop, no matter what the position is like at the time. Thus, if you are playing a computer which analyzes 8-ply (4 game moves) and you threaten forced mate in five, congratulations! You will win every time since the machine will not see it coming. Similarly, the same machine will sidestep all your two-move cheapos since these are within its search width. Remember, the computer searches at the same width on every move, and you would be wise to do the same. This can be excellent practice for the beginner who tends to have trouble hanging on to his pieces, since the materialistic machination will almost always play to win material.

Another good idea is to strive for positions that require judgment, foresight, and abstract reasoning rather than calculation of specific variations. In positions like this, most computers are overwhelmed by the possible choices, and since there are few calculable variations at hand, the computer has no way of deciding which continuation makes sense because they all look the same to it. The aforementioned "horizon effect" will often prevent the computer from realizing where its pieces will best be placed, whereas a human (who sees a real board instead of a bunch of electronic blips) will immediately know from inspection that the rook belongs on the open file, or that the knight should go to d5. Humans play by general considerations, intuitive evaluations based on judgment and experience, and only a few specific tactical variations. Humans require abstract reasoning in the solution of chess problems and analysis, and by emphasizing this natural superiority, man can overwhelm machine every time.

There is one final consideration to take into account when playing computers, and it is no small concern: namely, many (but not all!) chess programs are very weak in the endgame. Because of their preoccupation with material, they often misjudge the power of, say, a rook on the seventh rank in the ending. Also, because of their built-in horizon, sometimes they will not "see" the idea of pawn promotion until it is too late. This is especially notable in King-and-pawn endgames, where long forced variations are based on the idea that each side tries to get a new Queen. Sometimes the computer doesn't even try. There have been numerous attempts to correct this, mostly involving a widening of the search depth as pieces are exchanged, but it tends to be a hit-or-miss proposition for the computer. Moral of this story: when the result is in doubt, head for the endgame!

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The following game was played under informal conditions with the program set at a depth of four half-moves (2 game moves). I acquired a copy of MYCHESS (c) 1979 David Kittinger) for my Kaypro personal computer about a year ago. It is not the purpose of this article to evaluate the playing strength of this program in terms of its attractiveness to serious tournament competitors as a training tool. MYCHESS is not a recent development in state-of-the-art chess playing programs, and the only reason I chose it for this article was because it was conveniently at hand. Nonetheless, I feel that the game below illustrates some important aspects of the man-vs.-machine struggle, and may have some didactic value for the tournament competitor. Also, in this computerized age, it's nice to be able to get revenge on the damned machines once in a while! (The program has a USCF rating of about 1600.)

Mark Ishee vs Mychess Queen's Gambit Declined

01 D2-D4	D7-D5	42 E4-E5	G2-E2
02 C2-C4	E7-E6	43 F6-D6	C7-C8
03 B1-C3	G8-F6	44 E5-E6	E2-E3 Check
04 C1-G5	F8-E7	45 C3-D2	E3-E6
05 E2-E3	C7-C6	46 D6-E6	C8-D8
06 G1-F3	D8-B6	47 E6-F7	D8-C8
07 D1-C2	H7-H6	48 D2-D3	C8-B8
08 G5-H4	B8-A6	49 D3-D4	B8-C8
09 A2-A3	G7-G5	50 D4-C5	C8-B8
10 H4-G3	G5-G4	51 F7-D7	A7-A5
11 F3-E5	C8-D7	52 C5-B6	B8-A8
12 F1-D3	D5-C4	53 D7-C8	CHECKMATE
13 E5-C4	B6-D8		
14 C4-D6	E7-D6		
15 G3-D6	D7-C8		
16 D6-E5	A6-C7		
17 C3-E4	C7-D5		
18 E4-F6	D5-F6		
19 H2-H3	G4-H3		
20 H1-H3	H6-H5		
21 O-O-O	H8-G8		
22 F2-F3	F6-D5		
23 C2-E2	H5-H4		
24 E3-E4	D5-B6		
25 E2-F2	F7-F6		
26 E5-F4	E6-E5		
27 D4-E5	C8-H3		
28 D3-C4	G8-G2		
29 D1-D8	A8-D8		
30 F2-H4	G2-G1 Check		
31 C1-C2	B6-C4		
32 H4-H3	E8-F7		
33 H3-H7	F7-E8		
34 E5-E6	G1-G2 Check		
35 C2-C3	C4-D6		
36 F4-D6	D8-D6		
37 H7-F7	E8-D8		
38 E6-E7	D8-C8		
39 E7-E8=R	D6-D8		
40 E8-D8	C8-D8		
41 F7-F6	D8-C7		

Board Meeting June 15th

A regular meeting of the TCA Board of Directors was held at Bill Orgain's home on Sunday, June 15, 1986.

Lee Edwards reported that as of now, there has been no interest shown in Tennessee Scholastic Postal Chess.

Rick Igou reports that the Greater Knoxville Chess Club was planning to put in a bid for the 1987 U. S. Amateur tournament to be held on May 23-25, 1987. It is to be held at the Knoxville Hilton. By agreement of the Board, TCA will share the guarantee against loss up to the sum of \$500 and will in turn receive one-half of any profit.

Rick Igou reported that there is projected to be a total of 16 events participating in the 1986-87 Turkey Tour events. By agreement of the Board, the same rules and requirements are in effect.

The Board agreed to use the July supplement at the Tennessee Open for ratings. Also, Ron Burnett will co-ordinate a speed tournament at the 1986 Open.

The bid for the Team Championship was awarded to the Cumberland County Club.

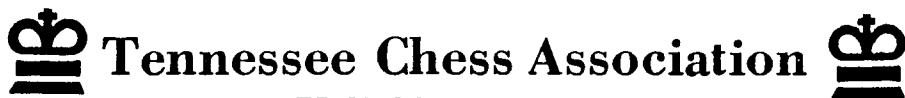
The results of the Questionnaire sent in to present are:

- 1. Rotation of the Tennessee Open
 - Favor..... 59 percent
 - Oppose..... 29 percent
 - No Opinion..... 12 percent

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2. Sudden Death	
Favor.....	39 percent
Oppose.....	39 percent
No Opinion.....	22 percent
3. Opposed to higher TCA dues	
Yes.....	54 percent
No.....	41 percent
No Opinion.....	5 percent

Bill Orgain announced that committees would be appointed at the Tennessee Open.
 The time controls for the team championship were set at 40/100 and 15/30. The use of the SASP fund were temporarily deferred.
 Morris Lewis donated \$100 to TCA to initiate an endowment fund for TCA. Also announced, Curt Jones, Paul Linxwiler and others were working with First Tennessee Bank for possible corporate sponsorship of the Tennessee Scholastics.



**PROPOSED BUDGET
1986-1987**

<u>INCOME:</u>	Budget 1985-1986	Actual 1985-1986	Budget 1986-1987
1. Dues	\$2,250.00	\$	\$2,000.00
2. Interest	182.35		175.00
3. Miscellaneous	100.00		100.00
4. Tennessee Open	(132.35)	(168.77)	None
5. Tennessee Amateur Team	None	(6.60)	None
6. Tennessee Scholastics	None	(147.20)	None
TOTAL INCOME	\$2,400.00	\$	\$2,275.00
<u>EXPENSES:</u>			
1. Tennessee Chess News	\$1,600.00	\$	\$1,700.00
2. TCN Editor's Fee	None	None	None
3. TCA Operating Expense	700.00		475.00
4. USCF Delegate Expense	100.00	100.00	100.00
5. TCA Turkey Tour	None	None	None
6. Miscellaneous	None		None
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$2,400.00	\$	\$2,275.00

1986 Tennessee Open BUDGET

<u>INCOME:</u>		
1. Entry Fees		\$2,000.00
<u>EXPENSES:</u>		
1. Cash Prizes	\$1,250.00	
2. Trophies	150.00	
3. TD Fees	150.00	
4. Playing Site Rent	None	
5. Rating Fee	75.00	
6. Supplies	25.00	
7. Flyers and Mailing	250.00	
8. Turkey Tour Fee	30.00	
9. TD Room	None	
10. Refund-EF-Masters	70.00	
Total Expenses		<u>2,000.00</u>
Net Profit (Loss)		<u>None</u>

From the Files of Ron Burnett:

Byron Funkhouser (1850) vs. Ronald Burnett (2338)

Sicilian Defense
 0 - 1 32 Music City Grand Prix
 1.e4 c5; 2.Nf3 Nc6; 3.d4 cd; 4.Nxd4 Nf6; 5.Nc3 d6; 6.Be2 e5; 7.Nb3 Be7;
 8.f4 O-O.; 9.O-O a5; 10.Be3? a4; 11.Nc1 a3!; 12.ba Rxa3; 13.Nb3 ef17;
 14.Rxf4 Be6; 15.Nd5 Bxd5 (forced, but good); 16.ed Ne5; 17.Rb4 Qa8; 18.c4?1
 (now Black has an easier time making a plan) Nfd7; 19.Qb1 Bf6; 20.Bd4 (a
 good try, but positionally suspect, as Black's reply demonstrates...)
 20...Nf3+!; 21.Bxf3 Rxb3; 22.Rdb3 (the only move) 22...Bxd4+; 23.Kh1 Nc5
 (the whole point of the combination, and the reason 18. c4?1 was dubious --
 all White's pawns are on white squares, and block his bishop); 24.Rb5 Re8
 (trappy, threatening 25...Bxa1; 26.Qxa1 Qxa2!); 25.a3 Bxa1; 26.Rxc5 (losing
 patience) 26...dc; 27.g4 Qxa3; 28.Be4 Be5; 29.Bxh7+ Kf8; 30.Qf1 Qb2; 31.Qg1
 g6; 32.Bxg6 fg 0-1 (notes by Burnett)

Ronald Burnett (2338) vs. Richard Carpenter (2108)

Bishop's Opening
 1 - 0 25 Music City Grand Prix
 1.e4 e5; 2.Bc4 Nf6; 3.d3 c6; 4.Bb3 d5; 5.Nf3 Bg4 (bad on principle -- Black
 does not want to exchange this bishop on f3); 6.h3 Ne5; 7.Qxf3 (now White
 controls the white squares -- see move 9!) Be7; 8.ed cd; 9.Nc3 d4
 (9...Bb4?! 10.Bg5! d4; 11.Qxb7 and White is better); 10.Qxb7 Nd7; 11.Nd5 O-
 O; 12.O-O Bd6; 13.Ncf6+ gf?; 14.Bh6 Re8; 15.Qf3 Nf8? (to be preferred is
 15...Bf8); 16.h4! Qd7; 17.Qg3+ Ng6; 18.h5 e4; 19. hg1 Bxg3; 20.Bxf7+ Qxf7
 (forced -- 20...Kh8; 21.g7 mate); 21.gf+ Kxf7; 22.hg ed; 23.cd Kg6; 24.Bf4
 Re2; 25.Rf2 Rxf2 1-0 (notes by Burnett)

Bill Melvin (2141) vs. Ronald Burnett (2338)

Three Knights Game
 0 - 1 32 Music City Grand Prix
 1.e4 e5; 2.Nc3 Nf6; 3.Nf3 Bb4; 4.Nd5 Nxd5; 5.ed d6 (varying from a previous
 Melvin-Burnett game, which continued 5...e4!, which is better than the game
 move); 6.c3 Bc5; 7.d4 ed; 8.Nxd4 O-O; 9.Be3 (signaling that White intends
 to castle long) 9...Nd7; 10.Qc2 Nf6; 11.Bd3 (signaling insanity!) Nxd5;
 12.Bxh7+ Kh8; 13.O-O-O (dubious, since it leads to a forced loss) Nxe3;
 14.fe g6; 15.Bxg6 fg; 16.Qxg6 Qf6 (only move); 17.Qh5+ Kg7; 18.Rhf1 Qe5! (a
 solid defensive move defending everything -- White doesn't even have a
 check!); 19.Qh4 Bxd4 (threatening to win a rook if White wants to stay in
 the middlegame: 20. either pawn xd4 Qe3+ and now (a)21.Kc2 Rxf1; 22.Rxf1
 Qe2+; 23.Kb3 Be6+ with an easy win; (b)21.Kbl Rxf1; 22.Rxf1 Qd3+ winning
 the rook) 20.Rxf8 Bxe3+; 21.Kbl Bf5?! (dubious -- 21...Kxf8 wins easily,
 but I was trying to be "safe"); 22.Rxf5 Qxf5+; 23.Kal Re8; 24.Qc4 Re7;
 25.Rf1 Qe4; 26.Qb5 Bc5; 27.b4 c6; 28.Qa4 Qd3; 29.Rf3 Qd1+; 30.Kb2 Re2;
 31.Ka3 Qcl+; 32.Kb3 Qb2+ with mate in 2 0-1 (notes by Burnett)

Robert Fischer (2181) vs. Ronald Burnett (2338)

English Opening
 0 - 1 31 Music City Grand Prix
 1.c4 c5; 2.g3 Nc6; 3.Bg2 g6; 4.e3 Bg7; 5.Ne2 e5 (signaling the Dresden or
 Botvinnik system); 6.Nbc3 Nge7; 7.O-O d6; 8.Nd5 f5 (preventing b3 with the
 threat of ...e4 and ...Nd5); 9.d3 O-O; 10.Qd2 Rb8; 11.b3 e4?1 (questionable
 -- 11...Be6 is better); 12.Bb2 Bxb2; 13.Qxb2 Ncd5; 14.cd Ne5; 15.de fe;
 16.Be4 Qf6 (if instead 16...Bh3; 17.Rfbl! defends the Queen, but not
 17.Rfd1? Rxf2!; 18.Kxf2 Qf6+; 19.Kany Nf3+ wins the Queen); 17.Kg2! Bd7;
 18.f4? (an outright positional error -- better would be Rad1-Nf4-Ne6,
 returning the pawn for play in the center) 18...Ng4; 19.Qxf6 Rxf6 (I took
 20 minutes for this, but it is the only move); 20.Rf3 Re8; 21.Nc3 b5;
 22.Bd3 (better is 22.h3!, but the clock is becoming a factor for both
 players) 22...Nxe3+; 23.Kf2 Ng4+; 24.Kg2 (24.Kgl fails to 24...Ne5) c4;
 25.bc bc; 26.Be4 Rb8; 27.Rbl? (dubious -- 27.h3!) Rf8; 28.Bc2?1 (dubious
 again -- 28.h3!) 28...Rxd1; 29.Nxbl Re8; 30.Rc3 Re2+ (winning a piece);
 31.Kf1 Rxc2 0-1

Editorial: Should Sudden Death Perish?

The recent advent of sudden death time controls into rated events is an interesting and potentially revolutionary alteration of the rules of chess as we know it. I am personally opposed to the use of sudden death time controls for the following reasons:

(1) Sudden Death is contrary to the logic of the game. If normally unwinnable positions can be won routinely in sudden death with the aid of the clock, what is the point of trying to play good moves? If a time advantage of five minutes is ultimately decisive, why not play "safe" moves at rapid-transit speed so as to prevail on the clock? Sudden death encourages poor but rapid play as a valid and viable winning plan.

(2) Lost and drawn positions can be won. Given an adequate amount of time per move, theoretically winning positions can be won and theoretically drawn positions can be held. I believe there is such a thing as truth in a chess position; however, the addition of sudden death to the struggle places it farther from, not closer to, chessic truth by making good moves more or less beside the point. This does not even take into consideration the playing out of "helpmate positions" (i.e. K+N vs. K+N with no pawns), which the forthcoming revised sudden death rules will eliminate. (Interestingly, the way chosen to eliminate such "helpmate wins" is to allow a third party (the director) to intervene directly in the struggle. Draw your own conclusion about chess being a game between two players.)

(3) Sudden Death is an artificial device imposed by organizers to help organizers. I am all for helping organizers and promoters find new ways to promote chess, but not at the cost of changing chess itself! There is little doubt that sudden death is convenient for organizers, but I feel it is important to remember that tournaments are not held simply for the sake of finishing on time -- they are held in order to produce good games and to determine who is the strongest player. When good moves and well-played games become secondary concerns, something is wrong. Let us play the game of chess instead of the game of sudden death masquerading as chess.

(3) Major tournaments and world-class events do not use sudden death. Church's Grand Prix disallows sudden death time limits in its Grand Prix events. Why? Because the Grand Prix tries to attract Masters, and Masters do not seem to favor sudden death. Similarly, FIDE does not use sudden death, especially not in world championship events. Sudden death is a drastic and uncalled-for alteration of the rules which changes the way chess is played. Until Kasparov blitzes Karpov's flag down in an otherwise-drawn position in a World Championship match game, I will maintain that sudden death is not chess. Let us all play the same game.

(4) Sudden Death does not promote chess in the media. I have heard it argued that chess must be speeded up in order to attract the media coverage needed to generate large numbers of players and consequent large prize funds. But when was the last time you saw a TV camera at a chess tournament? When was the last time

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your local paper had a story about chess? I see no evidence that the use of sudden death has made any impact on the popular consciousness through the media at all. It is obvious to me that our publicity problems have little to do with time limits; however, they have a lot to do with our public relations efforts, which often have been nonexistent. Normal time limits are plenty popular -- let's publicize chess as we have always played it rather than trying to gain popularity by bastardizing the royal game.

(5) There is such a thing as too little time. Even the fastest player occasionally needs several minutes in order to decide over an especially difficult move. I have no problem with fast time limits as long as it is possible to reset the clock after a certain number of moves. A finite number of moves in a fixed amount of time is a reasonable constraint on the way chess is played. Sudden death imposes an indefinite, and possibly infinite, number of moves in a fixed amount of time purely for the sake of bringing the game to an end. Who cares whether or not your game was well-played, interesting, theoretically valuable, or fun? Just finish in time so we can do it all again, and never mind whether or not you played well.

(6) Sudden Death is a belt-tightening measure. We need more players and bigger events, not faster time limits and smaller events. USCF and TCA need expansionist policies, not belt-tightening measures. If we resign ourselves to holding tornadoes instead of two-day events, and try to justify our decision by pointing to declining membership, are we not guilty of creating and perpetuating a vicious circle? I see no evidence that one-day events have increased TCA or USCF membership, and may in fact have driven away some players who value the quality of their games more than their results. I personally know at least one Expert player who currently boycotts all sudden death events for this reason, and there are probably others who feel this way.

Emanuel Lasker asserted that on the chessboard lies and hypocrisy do not survive. Sudden death is a lie because it ignores the artistic and creative aspects of chess which are vital to successful and enjoyable competition. I believe that sudden death is wrong and should be eliminated, and I call on all TCA members who feel the same way to voice their opinions to this magazine, to TCA, and to the USCF.

This is not a game by Tennesseans, but it is a spectacular effort!

C. Galloway (2100) vs. Andrew Karklins (2350)
Scotch Game
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1.e4 e5; 2.Nf3 Nc6; 3.d4 ed; 4.Bc4 d6; 5.Nd4 g6; 6.Nc3 Bg7; 7.Be3 Nf6; 8.f3 O-O; 9.Qd2 Ne5; 10.Be2 d5; 11.Bg5 de; 12.fe h6; 13.Bf4 Nf5; 14.Be3 Ng4; 15.Bg4 Bg4; 16.O-O c5; 17.Nd5 Qd2; 18.Bd2 Be5; 19.Bh6 a6; 20.Bf8 Kf8; 21.Na3 Bd4+; 22.Kh1 Ng3+; 23.hg Kg7 0-1

A Voice for Sudden Death

by Jim Watson

Recently there has been a great deal of discussion of the merits of different time controls. I think this is a very fine thing. In this space we will look at the positive side of SD time control.

SD is directly related to specific needs of many chess players. As the old saying goes "Life is Short, and Chess is long." This reflects on the predicament that the week-end warrior faces. For many working people and family members, it is impracticable to give up a week, or even a full week-end, to tournament play. This often leaves only the choice of a one-day event for the player. The number of these players lured to one-day events with SD may well eclipse the number that choose to play only in events with "serious" time controls.

SD is also a boon to TD's and promoters. We all know that some locations, prime by other standards, require a punctual schedule that conventional time controls all ill-designed to meet. The same is true of TD's, some of who fear the lone game that can

extend far into the hours normally reserved for sleep or pairing for the next round. SD can give all involved a firm deadline for start and finish of play.

SD can also bring chess new members. Over the years, chess has lost the interest of many because of

the great amount of time required to play a game. Potential players have also been discouraged because of the apparent slowness of tournament play. SD, due to the finite nature of time needed for play, can offer a palatable avenue of entry for these players.

SD is a fair time control. Recent rule changes no longer allow a person to lose a game in SD, in a clearly drawn position, by time forfeit. This eliminates many players fear of being "ground down" by an opponent making meaningless moves as time grows short.

The final point in favor of SD is also the most important. That is, there should be a choice for all players. By keeping a good mix of slow "serious" time controls, and quick week-end SD tournaments, Chess can appeal to the broadest possible spectrum.



TCN Going International?

Recently the editor received a request for a display copy of TCN. The request came from a chess shop in Stockholm, Sweden. If you are in Sweden in the future, look them up to see if we need a typesetter that has a Swedish keyboard.

Auburndale Champ Finals

PLAYER	PRE ST RTNG	POST RTNG	POST RTNG							TOT
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
1 COHEN, SHANNON	TN 1261	1364	w25	w26	w18	w-2	w24	w-5	L-7	6.0
2 HORGAN, KELLY E	TN 1221	1241	w21	L13	w23	L-1	w23	w-6	L-5	4.0
3 TAI, OLIVEN	TN 1932	1945	U--	w11	w-9	w-7	U--	U--	U--	3.0
4 DUKSETT, NEIL A	TN 1319	1359	w19	w20	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	2.0
5 CSEKO, PAUL	TN 1226	1250	w15	U--	U--	U--	L-1	w-2	U--	2.0
6 SIMMONS, GRETA	TN 1126	1125	D17	w17	U--	U--	L-2	U--	U--	1.5
7 FADER, RON	TN 1785	1782	U--	U--	U--	L-3	U--	U--	w-1	1.0
8 KLEIN, CRAIG	TN 1640	1641	w16	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	1.0
9 HORGAN, ALEC WILLI	TN 1505	1506	U--	w15	L-3	U--	U--	U--	U--	1.0
10 LAN, WILL	TN 1391	1394	w26	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	1.0
11 COHEN, JASON	TN 1362	1368	w23	L-3	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	1.0
12 BASS, COLE C.	TN 1322	1309	L14	w27	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	1.0
13 KINI, VINAY	TN 1304	1316	U--	w-2	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	1.0
14 LEVATINO, ELIAN	TN 1299	1316	w12	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	1.0
15 LAURINAS, NICK	TN 1145	1139	L-5	L-9	w27	U--	U--	U--	U--	1.0
16 WHITAKER, COLE	TN 1111	1128	L-8	w22	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	1.0
17 BRUNSTEIN, STUART	TN 1200/2	1063	D-6	L-6	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	.5
18 ALPERIN, LEE	TN 1442	1430	U--	U--	L-1	U--	U--	U--	U--	.0
19 TAI, STEPHANIE	TN 1391	1368	L-4	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	.0
20 MC CALLUM, JASON K	TN 1326	1324	U--	L-4	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	.0
21 ENGELBERG, PAUL	TN 1176	1162	L-2	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	.0
22 CRAWFORD, JENNIE	TN 1165	1147	U--	L16	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	.0
23 ROGERS, ROBIN L	TN 1161	1127	L11	U--	L-2	U--	L-2	U--	U--	.0
24 WEDDLE, ALEX M	TN 1103	1101	U--	U--	U--	U--	L-1	U--	U--	.0
25 ADCOCK, RENAE	TN 972	971	L-1	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	.0
26 JOHNSON, MICHAEL	TN 953/16	966	L10	L-1	U--	U--	U--	U--	U--	.0
27 FERGUSON, ROB	TN 847/10	845	U--	L12	L15	U--	U--	U--	U--	.0

Memphis Open

PLAYER	PRE ST RTNG	POST RTNG	POST RTNG				TOT
			1	2	3	4	
1 JONES, CURT	TN 2355	2362	w12	w-8	w-4	D-2	3.5
2 GALLAGHER, JR JAME	TN 2214	2236	w11	w-5	w-6	D-1	3.5
3 FISCHER, ROBERT J	TN 2168	2176	w10	L-6	w-7	w-8	3.0
4 LINWILER, PAUL A	TN 2158	2174	w16	w15	L-1	w-6	3.0
5 PYLANT, GARY M	TN 1900	1922	w14	L-2	w12	D-7	2.5
6 MINOR, RONALD L	TN 2143	2136	w13	w-3	L-2	L-4	2.0
7 JONES, JAMES E	TN 2091	2065	D18	w11	L-3	D-5	2.0
8 HERBERS, CHARLES H	CA 2087	2076	w-9	L-1	w16	L-3	2.0
9 TUMINELLO, PAGE	TN 1782	1773	L-8	D14	w13	D10	2.0
10 JACKSON, JOHN M	AR 1730	1733	L-3	D13	w18	D-9	2.0
11 WRIGHT, JAMES A	TN 1955	1939	L-2	L-7	w14	D12	1.5
12 SMITH, JR JACK E	TN 1933	1916	L-1	w18	L-5	D11	1.5
13 MITCHELL, JAMES H	TN 1676	1674	L-6	D10	L-9	w17	1.5
14 MATHIS, RANDY	AR 1357	1388	L-5	D-9	L11	w18	1.5
15 HOLYFIELD, ROBERT	TN 2052	2042	w17	L-4	U--	U--	1.0
16 LOVELACE, JOHN M	TN 1676	1680	L-4	w17	L-8	U--	1.0
17 WEISEL, JAY R	TN 1511	1492	L15	L16	8--	L13	1.0
18 MAYBERRY, JOHN H	TN 1422/7	1442	D-7	L12	L10	L14	.5

Memphis Novice

PLAYER	PRE ST RTNG	POST RTNG	POST RTNG			TOT
			1	2	3	
1 SCHULZ, CHARLES A	TN 1463/12	1502	w21	w17	w-8	3.0
2 FURE, JOHN MICHAEL	MS 1442	1482	w18	w14	w-6	3.0
3 WINBORN, MARK D	TN 1377	1445	w22	w15	w-7	3.0
4 THONI, KEVIN P	TN 0	1795	w11	w-9	X--	3.0
5 ILFELD, DAVID N	TN 1714/3	1594	L10	w21	w16	2.0
6 WOODINGTON, JAMES	MS 1502	1511	w19	w10	L-2	2.0
7 HORGAN, ALEC WILLI	TN 1495	1500	w26	w13	L-3	2.0
8 HAMILTON, DAVID	AR 1439	1451	w23	w12	L-1	2.0
9 SPECK, DAN C	TN 1426/7	1448	w20	L-4	w19	2.0
10 PATTERSON, MICHAEL	TN 1395	1413	w-5	L-6	w20	2.0
11 CONARD, CARL W	TN 1363	1370	L-4	w28	w22	2.0
12 BLACKBURN, TIM	AR 1267/3	1363	w16	L-8	w17	2.0
13 PREST, CHARLES	TN 1252/11	1264	w28	L-7	w24	2.0
14 WILLIAMS, ROBERT L	TN 0	1479	w24	L-2	w25	2.0
15 RENAUD, JAMES R	TN 1551	1550	w25	L-3	F--	1.0
16 ACTON, RYAN	TN 1281	1273	L12	w27	L-5	1.0
17 EBERT, KENNETH J	TN 1258	1253	w27	L-1	L12	1.0
18 VANNESS, PHILIP	TN 1139/9	1149	L-2	L19	w28	1.0
19 FARRIS, JR TOM	MS 1054/6	1108	L-6	w18	L-9	1.0
20 BUICE, ROBERT	TN 936/8	992	L-9	w26	L10	1.0
21 FACISON, JOHN E	TN 907/5	1048	L-1	L-5	w27	1.0
22 MC GLASSON, ROBERT	TN 0	1255	L-3	w23	L11	1.0
23 HOWELL, A JACK	TN 0	1051	L-8	L22	w26	1.0
24 WILLIAMS, PATRICIA	TN 0	1184	L14	w25	L13	1.0
25 HORGAN, KELLY E	TN 1270	1228	L15	L24	L14	.0
26 BOYD, SHONDA T	TN 909/3	854	L-7	L20	L23	.0
27 NASH, BRYAN	TN 0	804	L17	L16	L21	.0
28 DURTCH, CHIP	AR 0	863	L13	L11	L18	.0

SCCC May Tournament

PLAYER	PRE ST RTNG	POST RTNG	POST				TOT
			1	2	3	4	
1 LINXWILER, PAUL A	TN 2174	2191	w-3	w-2	w-6	w-4	4.0
2 TAI, OLIVER	TN 1911	1932	w15	L-1	w-8	w-5	3.0
3 TUMINELLO, PAGE	TN 1773	1776	L-1	B--	w-9	w11	3.0
4 WRIGHT, JAMES A	TN 1939	1942	B--	w-7	D-5	L-1	2.5
5 FLICKINGER, DALE B	TN 1989	1970	w13	w--	D-4	L-2	2.0
6 ROSE, JOHN A	TN 1959	1958	w-9	w-8	L-1	U--	2.0
7 TURNBUN, CHRIS	TN 1740	1743	w14	L-4	w13	U--	2.0
8 LOEBLEIN, HAROLD F	TN 1654	1646	B--	L-6	L-2	w12	2.0
9 KAY, TUDD M	TN 1438	1453	L-6	w16	L-3	w15	2.0
10 HURGAN, ALEC WILLI	TN 1500	1505	H--	w12	U--	U--	1.5
11 SAEGER, WAIN	TN 1317	1307	H--	w14	L12	L-3	1.5
12 SAEGER, NICOLAS	TN 1225	1237	H--	L10	w11	L-8	1.5
13 O'DANIELS, SEAN	TN 1586	1581	L-5	w15	L-7	U--	1.0
14 SANDERS, RUSSELL	TN 1408/3	1242	L-7	L11	L15	B--	1.0
15 COHEN, JASON	TN 1373	1362	L-2	L13	w14	L-9	1.0
16 HURGAN, KELLY E	TN 1228	1221	H--	L-9	U--	U--	.5

COMING ATTRACTIONS

SYMBOLS and MEANINGS

- AE—Advance Entry
- LS—Limited Smoking
- \$\$—Prize Fund
- W—Wheelchair Accommodations
- AS—at site
- NS—no smoking
- LS—limited smoking
- NC—no computers
- C—computers allowed
- EF—Entry Fee
- (b/h)—based on
- S.D.—Sudden Death
- *—Date cleared with Tournament Coordin.
- should check with organizer before going
- **—Nothing has been cleared with anyone—not Turkey Tour at this time
- SS—Swiss System
- HR—Hotel Room Cost

**August 23 King Cotton

- **August 16.** Blount County Fall Open 4-SS 40/1, 30 SD. Family Life Center, First Baptist Church, Wright Road, Alcoa, TN EF \$7. \$\$(\$160 b/25 1st gtd) \$50, Exp, A, B, C, D/E \$20, unr. \$10. Reg. 8-8:40. Rds 9-11:30; 2:30-5:30. HR \$35 1-4. Quality Inn Airport, Alcoa Highway, Alcoa, TN 37701 Phone (615) 970-3140 Info. Larry G. Thomas, P. O. Box 688, Alcoa, TN 37701 Phone (615) 983-1977.

- **August 30-31, Sept. 1.** TN State Championship. See full page ad in this issue.

- **September 27.** Cumberland County Fall I. 4-SS 40/1, 30/DS. Martin Jr. High, Stanley St.,

Crossville, TN 2 sec: Open-\$\$ (\$150 b/30 1st gtd). \$50, Exp, A,B,C, ea \$25. AM-\$\$(\$75 b/30) \$30, E\$25, unr h20. Both EF \$6 TCA req. TN Res. \$6 & \$4-Jr. Reg. 7:30-8:30 am CST. Rds 9-11:30; 2:30-5:30 HR \$27. 50 1-4 persons Heritage Inn.

- **September 28.** Cumberland County Fall II. 4-SS 40/1, 30/DS. Martin Jr. High, Stanley St., Crossville, TN EF \$6 TCA req. TN. Res. \$6 & \$4 Jr. \$\$(\$150 b/35 1st gtd). \$50, Exp, A,B,C,D,E ea \$15 unr \$10. Reg. 7:30-8:30 CST. Rds 9-11:30; 2:30-5:30 HR \$27 50 1-4 persons. Heritage Inn. Ent. Harry Sabine, P. O. Box 381, Crossville, TN 38555.

- **October 4, 5.** Atomic City II. 5-ss. 50/2 then 15/30. Oak Ridge Holiday Inn, Illinois Ave., Oak Ridge, TN 37830. EF \$20 ADV (rec'd by 10-1-86) \$25 * site. Masters completing scheduled and no prize-refund EF. TCA req. TN res. \$6 & \$4 Jr. (\$500 b/30) 1st \$100, Ex, A,B ea \$75. C,D,E & below ea \$50. Unr. \$25 Reg. 8:30-9:30 Sat. Rds 10-2-7, Sund. 9-2. HR \$37 up to 4. Ent. Chester Crowley, 109 Iroquois St., Clinton, TN 37716 Phone (615) 457-7965. NS, NC, W.

- **October 11.** Tri-Cities Fall Open. 4-SS, 40/1, 30 SD. East TN St. U., Kingsport, University Blvd., Kingsport, TN 37660. EF \$6 TCA req. TN res. \$6 & \$4 Jr. \$\$(\$250 gtd) 1st \$75, 2nd \$50, 3rd \$25, A,B,C,D,E & unr. ea \$20. Reg. 7:30-8:30. Rds 9-11:30; 2:30-5:30. Ent. John Letterman, Rt. 7, Box 250-4, Blountville, TN 37617. Info. Bill Gallico (615) 247-4269. LS, NC, W.

**November 1-2. Mid South Open.

- **November 15-16.** Southeastern Amateur Team Championship. See enclosed leaflet this issue..

December 6-7. Crossville Scholastics

- **January 2-4, 1987.** Fairfield Glade.