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The **Port Huron Chess Club** meets Thursdays, except holidays, from 6:30-10:00 PM, at Palmer Park Recreation Center, 2829 Armour Street, (NE corner of Garfield Street and Gratiot Ave...1 mile North of the Blue Water Bridge) Port Huron, Michigan. Everyone is welcome. All equipment provided. Website: <http://porthuronchessclub.volasite.com>

Jones continues to be a force in Championship play



G. Avery Jones

George (That's what the G. stands for!) **Avery Jones** has proven himself a force to be reckoned with in the past three PHCC Championships. Since his near upset of Lon in the 2012 Championships, Avery has made steady progress in all phases of his game. Perhaps his most significant accomplishment has been his vast improvement in time management. Previously, Avery's opponents could almost count on a sure point because invariably at the critical juncture of the contest, he was unable to find the best continuation because of extreme time pressure. Ironically this year, it was Lon who ran out of time against the aggressive

Sarnian, who notched his second consecutive win over the 17-time Club Champion, as well as drawing 4-time Club Champion, **Alan Gregg**, for the second time in consecutive years. Obviously, Avery has worked hard on his opening with the White pieces and is enjoying great success using his beloved Colle against higher rated opponents. Both Lon and **Matt Morabito** were "Clobbered by the Colle" in last year's event.

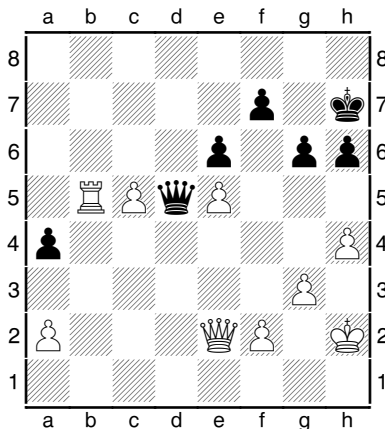
Additionally, the self-assured Mr. Jones has improved his endgame play as well, refraining from making the hasty, time-pressure moves that had doomed him in the past. Much of his success must be attributed to the fact that when summer time rolls around, he enters a number of nationally recognized tournaments: The World Open and National Open to name just two of his recent challenges. He has yet to reveal to us the sordid misadventure of the "Bashed Clock" episode when he played in the 2013 National Open.

Suspect opening play with the Black pieces still continues to be his chief nemesis, but if commitment to improve his all around game remains consistent, there is little doubt that he will work to shore up such deficiencies in the near future.

Jones,G. Avery (1532) - Rutkofske,Lonnie (1851) [A46] Colle System

2012 PHCC Championships (3), 26.01.2012

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.Nc3 d6 4.g3 Nbd7 5.Bg2 Rb8 6.O-O Be7 7.Nb5 a6 8.Na7 O-O
 9.Nxc8 Qxc8 10.c3 b5 11.Bg5 h6 12.Bc1 Rd8 13.Re1 c5 14.Qc2 d5 15.Bf4 Rb7
 16.Rac1 Nh5 17.Be3 c4 18.Qd2 Bf8 19.Ne5 Nh6 20.Bf3 a5 21.h3 Nxe5 22.dxe5
 Nd7 23.Bd4 Qb8 24.Qe3 Be7 25.Bg2 Rc8 26.h4 Bc5 27.Qf4 Be7 28.Rcd1 b4 29.e4
 Nc5 30.exd5 Nd3 31.Rxd3 cxd3 32.d6 Rd7 33.dxe7 Rxe7 34.Qd2 bxc3 35.bxc3
 Qb5 36.Be4 Rb8 37.Bxd3 Qa4 38.Re2 Reb7 39.c4 Qd7 40.Qe3 Rb1+ 41.Bxb1
 Rxb1+ 42.Kh2 Rd1 43.Rd2 Rf1 44.Bb6 Qc6 45.Rd8+ Kh7 46.Qd3+ g6 47.Qxf1
 Qxb6 48.Rd2 Qc5 49.Qe2 a4 50.Kg1 Qa3 51.Rc2 Qc5 52.Rb2 Qd4 53.Rb5 Qa1+
 54.Kg2 Qd4 55.c5 Qd5+ 56.Kh2 Diagram

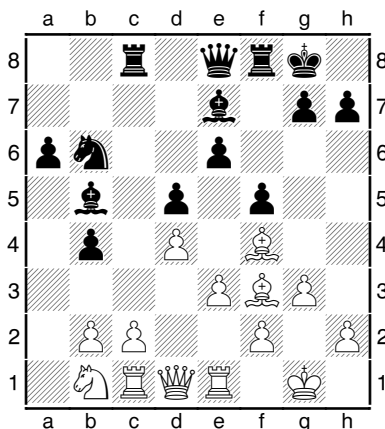


56...Qc6 57.Qc4 Qf3 Black Wins on time! 0-1

Jones,G. Avery (1684) - Rutkofske,Lonnie (1836) [A80] Dutch Defense

2014 PHCC Championships Port Huron (3), 14.02.2014 [Lonnie Rutkofske]

1.d4 f5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nc3 e6 4.g3 Be7 5.Bg2 O-O 6.O-O d5 7.Ne5 a6 8.Bf4 Nbd7 9.a3
 c5 10.e3 Qe8 11.Bf3 Nxe5 12.Bxe5 Bd7 13.Re1 Rc8 14.Qe2 b5 15.Rac1 b4
 16.axb4 cxb4 17.Nb1 Bb5 18.Qd1 Nd7 19.Bf4 Nb6?? Diagram



[Best was g5! forcing the exchange, and doubling white's pawns, creating a target for future attack!] 20.b3 Qd7 21.Be2 a5 22.Be5 a4 23.Bxb5 Qxb5 24.bxa4 Qxa4? [Na4 is far better because it keeps the Black queen on a safer square and permits eventual targets on b2 and c3, as well as making counter play for White difficult. It also gives

Black time to double rooks and continue the q-side development, while the B of e5 languishes without good squares.] **25.Nd2 Rc6 26.Nb3 Rc3 27.Ra1 Qc6 28.Ra7 Nc8 29.Rc7 Qb6 30.Nc5 Re8 31.Na4 Qxc7 32.Bxc7 Rxc7 33.Qd3 Rc4 34.Nc5** [Here the simple 34...Bc5 35 dc5, Rc5 36.Qd4 Rb5 37.Rb1, Nd6 38.Rb4 Rb4 39.Qb4, Nc4 should hold at least a draw.] **34...Bf8 35.Ra1 Nd6 36.Ra6 Kf7 37.Qe2 g6 38.Nd7 Ke7 39.Ne5 Rc7 40.Nc6+ Kf6 41.Nxb4 Rb8 42.Qd2 Ne4 43.Nxd5+ Kg7 44.Qa5 Rb1+??** [A massive blunder here as time was winding down. Correct seems to be 44...Rc2!! with mating threats. If 45. Re6, Rb1 check followed by 46.Kg2, Rf2+ 47.Kh3, Ng5+48.Kh4, Rh2 49.Kg5, h6 mate!] **45.Kg2 Rcb7 46.Rxe6 R1b5 47.Qd8 Rf7 48.Ne7 Kh8** [Black lost on time after a mad time scramble.] **1-0**

Jones,G Avery (1557) - Gregg,Alan (1950) [E18] Queen's Indian Defense

2013 PHCC Championships Port Huron, MI (7), 28.02.2013

1.d4 f5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Bf4 e6 4.c4 Bb4+ 5.Bd2 Be7 6.Nc3 0-0 7.g3 b6 8.Bg2 Bb7 9.0-0 Ne4 10.Nxe4 Bxe4 11.Qb3 d6 12.Rfd1 Nd7 13.Rac1 Bf6 14.Be3 Qe7 15.Bh3 Bxf3 16.exf3 g6 17.f4 Kh8 18.Qa4 a5 19.Bg2 Rad8 20.Qc2 e5 21.fxe5 dxe5 22.Bh6 Bg7 23.Bxg7+ Qxg7 24.Qc3 exd4 25.Rxd4 Nc5 26.Rxd8 Rxd8 27.Qxg7+ Kxg7 28.Bd5 Nd3 29.Rc2 Nb4 30.Re2 Nxd5 [30...Kf8 31.Re6 Nxd5 32.cxd5 Rxd5 33.Rc6 Rd7] **31.cxd5 Rxd5 32.Re7+ Kh6 33.Rxc7 Rd2 34.b3 Rxa2 35.Rb7 Rb2 36.Rxb6 a4 37.b4 a3 38.Ra6 a2 39.Kg2 f4 40.b5 Kg5 41.b6 fxg3 42.hxg3 h5 43.b7 Rxb7 44.Rxa2 ½-½**

Looks like it's down to the wire once again for the Championship Crown

Once again, it looks like the final rounds will determine the club champion. The picture placement below is rather appropriate, because it appears that **Stew Wilkinson** will determine the fortunes of the top rated pair in the tournament. An unfortunate case of the flu forced postponement of the round 6 game between the British Bulldog and the Port Huron Petrosian until March 13th, as the Grosse Point Woods Warrior will have to patiently wait, sitting alone atop the standings with 5 points.



Alan Gregg



Stew Wilkinson



Tony West

You can rest assured that the match of the tournament will be the center of attention at the March 13 meeting. The final round is scheduled to be played on Thursday, March 20th with Awards Night being Thursday, April 3rd. Prizes are: Champion: Plaque + \$50, Second Place: Plaque + \$35, Top A, B: Plaque + \$35; Top Junior: Plaque + USCF membership; Biggest Upset:\$20

Oh, and one last thing...if you think chess isn't a game of passion, just take a gander at the result of the game between **Bill Wingrove** and **Dave Boucher** on the following page!



They say a picture is worth a thousand words, and this is how **Dave Boucher** (*left*) looked when he arrived at the club meeting following his game with **Bill Wingrove**. While we'd like to believe that the two were actively engaged in some serious chess related combat, the truth is that Dave was injured in a freak accident while clearing his roof of some serious ice. Ahh! But the stories and jokes ran rampant!!!

2014 PHCC Championships - Standings after 6th Round/Round 7 Pairings

#	Name	Rtng	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Rd 6	Rd 7
1	Alan Gregg	1951	W6 1.0	B4 2.0	W2 2.5	B7 3.0	W5 4.0	W3 TBP	B9
2	Tony West	1898	-7 X1.0	W3 2.0	B1 2.5	W5 3.0	B9 4.0	W6 5.0	B8
3	Stewart Wilkinson	1879	W8 1.0	B2 1.0	B5 1.5	W4 2.5	W7 3.5	B1 TBP	B10
4	Lonnie Rutkofske	1936	B9 1.0	W1 1.0	B7 1.0	B3 1.0	W8 2.0	W10 3.0	B6
5	Matthew Morabito	1780	W10 1.0	B6 2.0	W3 2.5	B2 3.0	B1 3.0	W9 4.0	B7
6	William Wingrove	1695	B1 0.0	W5 0.0	B9 1.0	W8 2.0	W10 3.0	B2 3.0	W4
7	G. Avery Jones	1684	-2 F0.0	B10 1.0	W4 2.0	W1 2.5	B3 2.5	B8 3.0	W5
8	Noel Bedy	1621	B3 0.0	W9 0.0	W10 1.0	B6 1.0	B4 1.0	W7 1.5	W2
9	David Boucher	1463	W4 0.0	B8 1.0	W6 1.0	B10 2.0	W2 2.0	B5 2.0	W1
10	Adam Nowiski	919	B5 0.0	W7 0.0	B8 0.0	W9 0.0	B6 0.0	B4 0.0	W3

Members' Games



Please send me what you consider your best games, annotated or not, so that I might be able to showcase them. The following games represent contests that have been available at the time of this printing. Email them to me or give them to me personally, if you wish. Majority of analyses is done by Fritz 12, unless otherwise indicated.

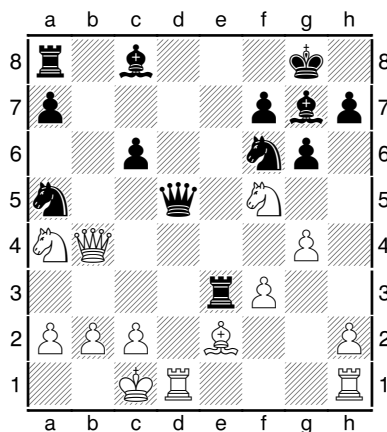
Lon suggested that I annotate my game with Noel Bedy from the fourth round of this year's championship. I had white and Noel had black. It would be interesting for various club members to share their thought processes from games. This game was somewhat dynamic and also had flaws. It is typical of many of our games. I am considering writing more in **Chess Chatter** to document my oft-repeated philosophy, **"We all stink!"** You may consider this a first installment.

(Aka: Bill Wingrove)

Wingrove, William (1695) - Bedy, Noel (1621) [C46] King Pawn Opening

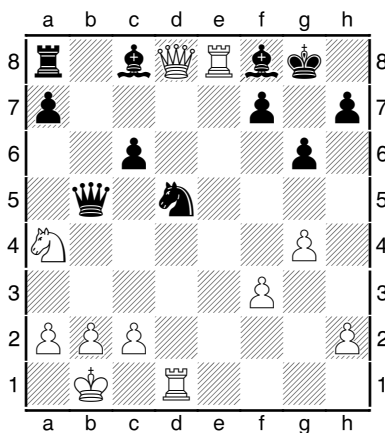
Port Huron Championship Port Huron (4), 20.02.2014 [Bill Wingrove]

1.e4 e5 Noel is not playing the Scandinavian? The moral decline in America is greater than I thought. **2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4** The Scotch Opening. Given my taste in beverages, totally appropriate. **3...exd4 4.Nxd4 g6** Bc5 is more common and faster. **5.Nc3 Bg7 6.Be3 Nf6** I thought during the game Nge2 was sharper and checking Fritz later, Fritz agreed. **7.Bc4** I thought about Be2, and that would have been better. **7...0-0 8.f3** I played this move with pleasure because it does two things. It prepares a pawn storm and prevents black from Nxe4 and d5. **8...Re8 9.Qd2 Na5 10.Be2** The bishop is pushed back to where it should have been. **10...c6 11.0-0-0** ? b4 wins the knight. In the 2013 tournament I had been punished for not castling queen side quickly enough. **11...b5** Noel had seen his mistake with c6 and must have been holding his breath until I castled. Now his knight can escape. **12.g4 d5 13.exd5** ?A fleeting thought went by that I should play g5, but I thought that black could not get away with d5 in this position. **13...b4 14.Na4** I thought about where to move the knight for a while: b1 is safer and the knight is loose on a4, but there is no easy way to attack it on a4. **14...Qxd5** This was a surprise. I had been expecting Nxd5 or cxd5. **15.Qxb4** An extremely risky move, I want to uncover on the queen by moving my d4 knight. a2 and d3 are both attacked. **15...Rxe3 16.Nf5** Diagram



Don't you love playing moves like this? **16...Qe5**[16...Qa2 looks very interesting.- LWR] Instead, Bf8 wins immediately. This would be a very hard move to find. Black would

be taking a fianchettoed bishop off its natural long diagonal, and the move is also away from the action. White's plan beginning at move 15 was flawed. **17.Nxe3** I figured I would be cool and let black take on e3 with check. I am figuring my rooks will control the d and e files, and I have noticed that the black c bishop is still on c8. **17...Qxe3+ 18.Kb1 Qxe2 Nd5** and black is in good shape. **19.Rhe1 Nd5 20.Qxa5 Qb5 21.Re8+ Bf8 22.Qd8** Diagram



resigns. The end position is one of life's little amusements. Noel and I enjoyed the game.

Jones,G. Avery (1684) - Gregg,Alan (1951) [A80] Dutch Defense

2014 PHCC Championships, Port Huron (4), 20.02.2014

1.d4 f5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nc3 e6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.g3 0-0 6.Bg2 d5 7.0-0 Nbd7 8.a3 c6 9.Rb1 h6 10.Bf4 g5 11.Bd2 Ne4 12.Nxe4 dxe4 13.Ne5 Nxe5 14.dxe5 Qc7 15.e3 g4 16.Bc3 Rd8 17.Qe2 h5 18.Rfd1 Bd7 19.Qc4 b5 20.Qa2 c5 21.Ba5 Qxa5 22.Rxd7 Kf7 23.Rbd1 Rxd7 24.Rxd7 Rd8 25.Rxd8 Bxd8 26.Qb1 Qd2 27.b3 Bc7 28.Qb2 Qd5 29.Bf1 Bxe5 30.Qc1 c4 31.Qb1 c3 32.Be2 Bd6 33.b4 h4 34.Qd1 hxg3 35.hxg3 Qxd1+ 36.Bxd1 Ke7 37.Kf1 Kd7 38.Be2 Kc6 39.Ke1 Kb6 40.Kd1 a5 41.bxa5+ Kxa5 42.Kc1 Bxa3+ 43.Kd1 Kb4 44.Bf1 Kc5 45.Be2 e5 46.Bf1 Bb4 47.Be2 Ba5 48.Bf1 Bc7 49.Be2 Bd6 50.Bf1 Be7 51.Be2 Bg5 52.Ke1 f4 53.gxf4 exf4 54.exf4 Bxf4 55.Bxg4 Kd5 56.Bh5 Ke6 57.Be8 b4 58.Ba4 Kf6 59.Ke2 Kg5 60.Bb3 Kf5 61.Bc4 Bd6 62.Bb3 Bc5 63.Bc4 [Draw Agreed] ½-½

Nowiski,Adam (919) - Boucher,David (1463) [C15] French Def. Winawer Var.

2014 PHCC Championships Port Huron (4), 20.02.2014

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Bd2 dxe4 5.Nxe4 Qxd4 6.Bd3 Bxd2+ 7.Nxd2 Qxb2 8.Ngf3 Nf6 9.0-0 0-0 10.Nc4 Qb4 11.a3 Qe7 12.c3 b6 13.Qc2 Ba6 14.Ng5 h6 15.Nh7 Bxc4 16.Bxc4 Nxb7 17.Be2 Rd8 18.Bf3 c6 19.Be4 Nf6 20.a4 a6 21.c4 Nxe4 22.Qxe4 Rd2 23.Rfd1 Qd7 24.Qf3 Ra7 25.h3 Rxd1+ 26.Rxd1 Qe7 27.Qb3 Nd7 28.Ra1 Rb7 29.Qc3 Nc5 30.a5 b5 31.cxb5 cxb5 32.Rc1 Rc7 33.Qe5 f6 34.Qg3 e5 35.Qf3 Qd8 36.Rd1 Qc8 37.Qd5+ Ne6 38.Qb3 Rc1 39.Rxc1 Qxc1+ 40.Kh2 Qc6 41.Kg1 Kh8 42.Qg3 b4 43.Kf1 Qc5 44.Qg6 Nf4 45.Qe8+ Kh7 46.Qa4 Qc1+ 0-1

Wilkinson,Stewart (1879) - Rutkofske,Lonnie (1836) [C30] Vienna Game

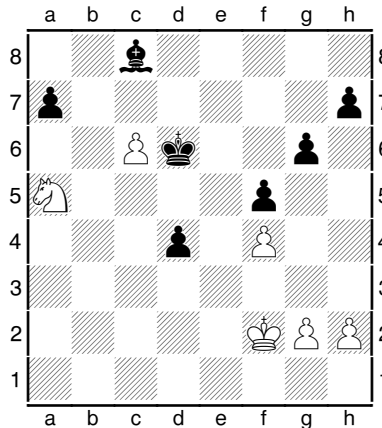
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1.e4 e5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.f4 Bc5 4.Nf3 d6 5.Bb5 a6 6.Bxc6+ bxc6 7.d3 Bg4 8.h3 Bxf3 9.Qxf3 Rb8 10.fxe5 dxe5 11.Na4 Bf8 12.0-0 Nf6 13.Be3 Rb5 14.Rad1 c5 15.b3 Bd6 16.Nc3 Rb7 17.Nd5 Be7 18.Bg5 Qd6 19.Bxf6 Bxf6 20.Nxf6+ gxf6 21.Qxf6 Qxf6 22.Rxf6 Rb6 23.Rdf1 1-0

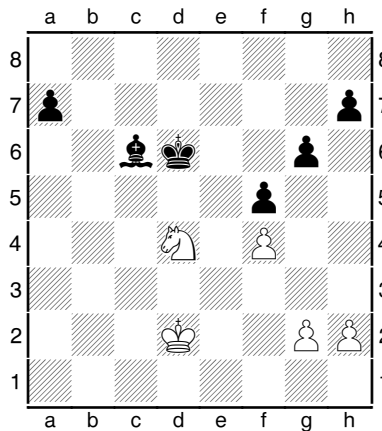
West, Tony (1898) - Morabito, Matthew (1780) [E70] King's Indian Defense

2014 PHCC Championships Port Huron (4), 20.02.2014 [LWR]

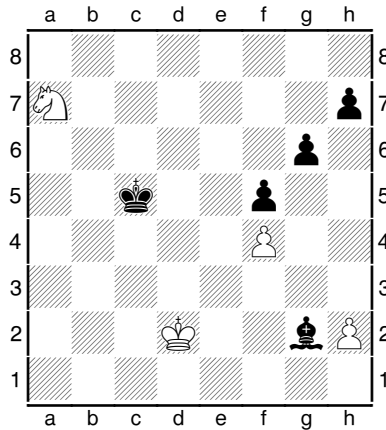
**1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Bd3 0-0 6.Nge2 Nc6 7.0-0 e5 8.d5 Nd4
9.Nxd4 exd4 10.Ne2 Re8 11.Ng3 Ng4 12.Be2 Qh4 13.Bxg4 Bxg4 14.f3 Bd7 15.Rb1
b5 16.Qd3 Rab8 17.Rd1 Be5 18.f4 Bg7 19.Bd2 Rb7 20.b3 Reb8 21.Re1 c5
22.dxc6 Bxc6 23.Ne2 bxc4 24.bxc4 Rxb1 25.Rxb1 Re8 26.Ng3 Qe7 27.Re1 Qb7
28.Qa3 Bxe4 29.Qxd6 Bc6 30.Rxe8+ Bxe8 31.Qb4 Qxb4 32.Bxb4 Bd7 33.Kf2 Be6
34.c5 Bxa2 35.c6 f5 36.Ne2 Be6 37.Nc1 Bf6 38.Nd3 Kf7 39.Nc5 Bc8 40.Nb7 Be7
41.Bd6 Ke6 42.Be5 Kd5 43.Na5 Bd6 44.Bxd6 Kxd6** Diagram



45.Ke2 Ba6+ 46.Kd2 Bb5 47.Nb3 Bxc6 48.Nxd4 Diagram



[At this point in the game, Matt had over 21 minutes and Tony had less than 9. Best here appears to be 48...a5! With pawns on both sides of the board, the B is far superior to the knight! This should be a sure win for Matt either over the board, or on time.] **48...Bxg2??** [Matt gives away any advantage material advantage he may have enjoyed. His only recourse was that Tony had a mere minute to Matt's 12+ .] **49.Nb5+ Kc5!! 50.Nxa7??** Diagram



[A blunder in time control, for the simple 50...Bb7! Wins the knight!] **50...Kd4??**
 [Well, this is not unusual in games where one person is trying to run his opponent out of time..... This move essentially draws the game. Time remaining: Tony=9 sec. , Matt: 2 minutes:13 seconds.] **51.Ke2 h6 52.Nb5+** [It was here that Matt made an illegal move by touching his B, while in check and was penalized. Tony received 2 minutes to his time which gave him 2:09 minutes and Matt had 2:13 minutes remaining.]
52...Kd5 53.Kf2 Be4 54.Nc3+ Ke6 55.Ke3 Bc6 56.h4 Kf6 57.Ne2 Be8 58.Nd4
 [Draw agreed.] ½-½

Gregg,Alan (1951) - Morabito,Matt (1780) [B22] Sicilian Alapin

2014 PHCC Championships Port Huron (5), 27.02.2014

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 g6 3.d4 Bg7 4.c3 cxd4 5.cxd4 Nf6 6.Nc3 d6 7.Be2 a6 8.O-O b5 9.e5 dxe5 10.dxe5 Qxd1 11.Rxd1 Ng4 12.Bf4 e6 13.Ne4 O-O 14.h3 Nh6 15.g4 Kh8 16.Rac1 Bb7 17.Nd6 Bd5 18.Rc7 Nc6 19.Rxd5 exd5 20.Rxc6 Ra7 21.Be3 Rd7 22.Rxa6 Ng8 23.Bxb5 Rc7 24.Bd4 f5 25.gxf5 gxf5 26.Ng5 Nh6 27.Ne6 Rc1+ 28.Kh2 1-0

Rutkofske,Lonnie (1836) - Bedy,Noel (1621) [A20] English Opening

2014 PHCC Championships Port Huron (5), 27.02.2014

1.c4 d6 2.g3 e5 3.Bg2 f5 4.d4 Nf6 5.dxe5 dxe5 6.Qb3 Nc6 7.Bxc6+ bxc6 8.Nc3 Be6 9.Nf3 h6 10.Nxe5 Bd7 11.c5 1-0

Wingrove,William (1695) - Nowiski,Adam (919) [C45] Scotch Game

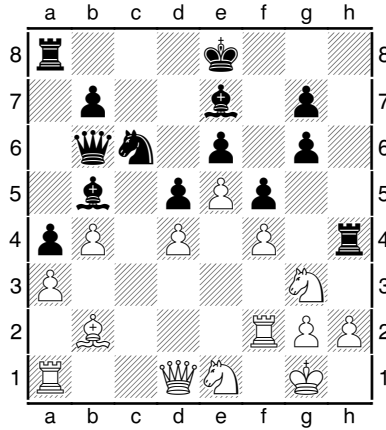
2014 PHCC Championships Port Huron (5), 27.02.2014

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Nxd4 5.Qxd4 Nf6 6.e5 c5 7.Qd3 Ng4 8.Bf4 Be7 9.Be2 Bg5 10.Qg3 Bxf4 11.Qxf4 Nh6 12.O-O b6 13.Bf3 Ba6 14.Re1 Rb8 15.Nc3 Bb7 16.Ne4 Bd5 17.Nd6+ Ke7 18.Bxd5 Qf8 19.Rad1 Kd8 20.Nxf7+ Ke7 21.Qh4+ Ke8 22.Nd6+ 1-0

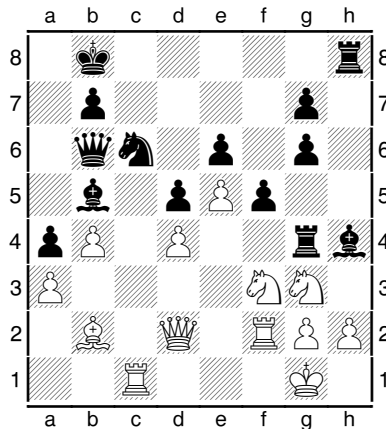
Boucher,David (1463) - West,Tony (1898) [C02] French Defense Advance Var.

2014 PHCC Championships Port Huron (5), 27.02.2014 [Lonnie Rutkofske]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.Bd3 cxd4 6.O-O Nge7 7.Re1 Bd7 8.Nbd2 Ng6 9.Nf1 Qc7 10.Bxg6 hxg6 11.Ng3 Bc5 12.a3 a5 13.b3 Qb6 14.Re2 Na7 15.Bb2 Bb5 16.Rd2 d3 17.cxd3 Nc6 18.d4 Be7 19.Ne1 a4 20.b4 f5 21.f4 Rh4 22.Rf2? Diagram



[22. Qf3 appears more solid because it activates the Q, defends f4, and makes room for the QR to become centralized.] **22...0-0-0 23.Nf3??** [This miscue leads to the complete collapse of White's position: not only does it lose a crucial pawn, but clears the way for a K-side collapse, because the both the White Rook and Nc3 are misplaced for the coming assault! Had White played 22. Qf3 his position would be solid and his pieces could untangle themselves.] **23...Rxf4 24.Bc1 Rg4 25.Bb2?** [Yet another tempo-waster, much better would have been 25.Rd2 or even Ne2 seem preferable, leading to complications whereby Black may find his Rook trapped.] **25...Kb8 26.Rc1 Rh8 27.Qd2??** [With all the potential pins in the air and the tremendous pressure on d4, better would have been 27.Ne2] **27...Bh4!** Diagram



[Tony does a nice job of increasing the pressure on Dave's K-side and minimizing his defensive options. at this point it appears that black has an overwhelming advantage!] **28.Nxh4 Rhxh4 29.Ne2** [My choice would have been 29.Rc5 taking the Q temporarily out of the equation blocking pressure on d4 and eliminating a target for Black's B. White can still swing his Q to d8 and h8 after he plays 29. Bc4, but this can lead to complications if he vacates b6, a possible b5 could create some counter chances for White. After the text, Tony finishes his attack in efficient fashion with a nice combination!] **29...Bxe2 30.Rxe2 Nxd4 31.Bxd4 Rxd4 32.Qe3 Rhe4 33.Qf2 Rxe2 0-1**

Wilkinson, Stewart (1879) - Jones, G. Avery (1684) [B12] Caro-Kann, Advance Var.
 2014 PHCC Championships Port Huron (5), 27.02.2014
1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.Nf3 e6 5.Be2 Bg4 6.0-0 c5 7.c3 Nc6 8.Nbd2 Nge7 9.dxc5 Ng6 10.b4 Ngxe5 11.Nxe5 Bxe2 12.Qxe2 Be7 13.Nxc6 bxc6 14.Nf3 Bf6

15.Bb2 0-0 16.Rfd1 Qc8 17.c4 Bxb2 18.Qxb2 dxc4 19.Qc3 Qa6 20.Ne5 f6
 21.Nxc4 Rfd8 22.Nd6 Rd7 23.Qc4 Qxc4 24.Nxc4 Rd5 25.Ne3 Rdd8 26.Rd6 Rxd6
 27.cxd6 Kf7 28.Rc1 Rc8 29.b5 c5 30.Nc4 e5 31.a4 Ke6 32.a5 h6 33.b6 axb6
 34.axb6 Rb8 35.Rd1 Kd7 36.Ra1 Kc6 37.Ra7 Kb5 38.d7 Kxc4 39.b7 Kc3 40.h3
 c4 41.Ra8 Rxb7 42.d8Q Rb1+ 43.Kh2 Kc2 44.Qd5 c3 45.Qe4+ Kc1 46.Ra3 c2
 47.Ra2 Rb2 48.Qe1# 1-0

Rutkofske,Lonnie (1836) - Nowiski,Adam (919) [A23] English Opening

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1.c4 e5 2.g3 Nf6 3.Bg2 c6 4.Nc3 Bb4 5.a3 Ba5 6.Nf3 d6 7.0-0 0-0 8.d3 Nbd7
 9.Nh4 h6 10.h3 Nc5?? 11.b4 Ne6 12.bxa5 Qxa5 13.Bd2 Nd4 14.e3 Nf5 15.Nxf5
 Bxf5 16.e4 Bd7 17.Nd5 cxd5?? 18.Bxa5 b6 19.Bb4 dxc4 20.dxc4 Ne8 21.Bxd6
 Nxd6 22.Qxd6 Be6 23.Qxe5 Bxc4 24.Rfe1 Rfe8 25.Qf4 1-0

West,Tony (1898) - Wingrove,William (1695) [D91] Grunfeld

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1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Bg5 Ne4 5.Bf4 Nxc3 6.bxc3 Bg7 7.Nf3 0-0 8.cxd5
 Qxd5 9.Bxc7 Qc4 10.Ba5 Nc6 11.e3 Qd5 12.Bc7 Bf5 13.Bd3 Rac8 14.Bf4 Bxd3
 15.Qxd3 e5 16.e4 Qd7 17.Be3 exd4? 18.Bxd4 Rfd8 19.Rd1 Qc7 20.0-0 Nxd4
 21.cxd4 Qc2 22.Rd2 Qxd3 23.Rxd3 Rc2 24.a3 Rdc8 25.g3 R2c3 26.Rfd1 Bf8
 27.d5 Bxa3 28.d6 Rxd3 29.Rxd3 Bc5 30.e5 Rd8 31.Ng5 Rd7 32.Ne4 Bxf2+
 33.Kxf2 Rd8 34.Nc5 b6 35.Ne4 h6 36.Nf6+ Kf8 37.Rc3 b5 38.Rc7 1-0

Morabito,Matthew (1780) - Boucher,David (1463) [A04] K-I Attack

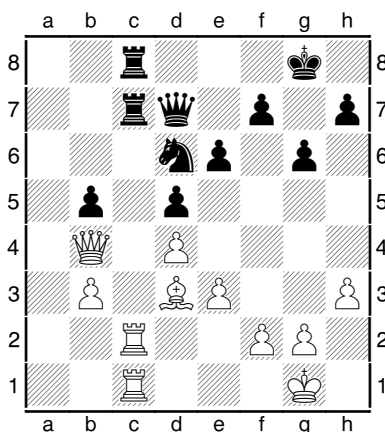
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1.Nf3 d6 2.g3 Bg4 3.Bg2 Nf6 4.c4 e6 5.Nc3 c6 6.d4 d5 7.Bg5 Be7 8.Ne5 Nbd7
 9.Nxg4 Nxg4 10.Bxe7 Qxe7 11.e4 Nh6?? 12.cxd5 exd5 13.0-0 dxe4 14.Nxe4 0-0
 15.Re1 Qb4 16.Qc2 Rad8 17.a3 Qb6 18.b4 Nb8 19.Nc5 Rfe8 20.Re4 Qc7 21.Rae1
 Rxe4 22.Qxe4 Rf8 23.Bh3 b6 24.Nd3 Nd7 25.Qe7 1-0

Bedy,Noel (1621) - Jones,G. Avery (1684) [D04] Colle System

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1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.e3 Bg4 4.Nbd2 g6 5.c4 Bg7 6.Bd3 0-0 7.Qb3 b6 8.Ne5 c6
 9.Nxg4 Nxg4 10.h3 Nf6 11.Nf3 Nbd7 12.cxd5 cxd5 13.Bb5 e6 14.Bd2 Rc8 15.Bb4
 Re8 16.Ne5 Bf8 17.Nc6 Qc7 18.0-0 Qb7 19.Ne5 a6 20.Bxf8 Rxf8 21.Nxd7 Nxd7
 22.Bd3 b5 23.Rac1 Nb6 24.Qb4 Nc4 25.a4 Qd7 26.axb5 axb5 27.Rc2 Rc7 28.Rfc1
 Rfc8 29.b3 Nd6 Diagram



[29.Rc5!] **30.Rxc7 Rxc7 31.Rxc7 Qxc7 32.Qc5 Qb8 33.f3 b4 34.e4 dxe4 35.fxe4 Ne8 36.e5?** [36.Bb5! looks very strong.] **36...Nc7** [Draw Agreed.] $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$

Ciaffone,Robert (2100) - Hartwig,Nathan (1786) [D34] Tarrasch Defense

Genesee Open (4), Flint, 15.02.2014

An exciting game against a NM. He had a chance to capitalize on one of my opening mistakes, but missed the opportunity and I was able to pull out a draw. **1.Nf3 c5 2.c4 Nf6 3.Nc3 e6 4.g3 Nc6** [4...b6 Is better suited for my style of play, as I do not prefer playing with an IQP.] **5.Bg2 Be7 6.0-0 d5 7.cxd5 exd5** [7...Nxd5 8.Nxd5 exd5 9.d4 And black still gets the iso. The resulting position isn't losing for black, I simply prefer not to play it.] **8.d4 b6?!** Correct for black it to play 0-0. **9.Ne5 Bb7** [9...Nxd4 10.e3 Ne6 11.Nxd5 White is much better. 11...Nxd5 12.Bxd5 Rb8 13.Nc6] **10.Nxc6?** White misses a chance to seize the initiative [10.Qa4 Rc8 White has many pleasant options 11.e4!? 0-0 Leads to a crazy and imbalanced position] **10...Bxc6 11.dxc5 bxc5 12.Bg5 Qd7 13.Bxf6 Bxf6 14.Nxd5 Bxb2 15.Rb1 Bd4 16.e3 Bxd5 17.Bxd5 Qxd5 18.Qa4+ Qd7 19.Qxd7+ Kxd7 20.exd4 Rab8 21.dxc5 Kc6 22.Rfc1** Draw agreed. Play might have continued: **22...Rxb1 23.Rxb1 Rc8 24.Re1 Rc7 25.Re5** In post game analysis, a class A player claimed that in this position white is better, my opponent claimed black is better, and I agreed with an expert [Alan Gregg] who said "all rook endgames end in draws..." $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$

Calendar of Events: Note the change for the First Thursday of Each Month.

First Thursday of Each Month - Chess Clinics- 6:30 to 7:00 PM - \$7.50 per person. From 7:00 until 10:00, Players wishing to play games with longer time controls up to G/90 can choose to play match games if they so desire. Participants will be paired randomly and colors will be selected by lot. PHCC club ratings will be used. Players should turn their game scores into Lon, so he can adjust ratings appropriately and showcase the games in *Chess Chatter*.

2014 PHCC Championships -April 3rd 2014. Awards Evening starts at 7:00 PM

April 10 thru 24th - UNDER 1700 PHCC MINI-SWISS - Open to club members whose PHCC rating is under 1700. EF: \$5.00 /under-19 = \$2.50. Time controls: G/90; Rounds begin at 7:00 PM on April 10, 17, and 24th. Registration on site ends at 7:00 on 4/10, but please email Lon before 4/10 if you intend to play. Prizes: \$20 and Plaque to overall winner; \$10 for top scores in each category of U1500; U1300; U1100 if there are two or more in each section.(USCF members can ask to have their games rated as well if both players desire at a rating fee of \$1/game.)

Dues News:

While dues are not required for anyone interested in playing at the club, they are required for those competing in tournament play. Annual Dues are \$20.00 for adults and \$10.00 for those under 19. Dues funds are used to offset miscellaneous expenses not funded by the Recreation Department.

Memberships for the following have expired:

Kulkarni, Atul & Atharva

PHCC Rating Lists

The following list represents only current members of the Port Huron Chess Club. Current USCF ratings were used for members that had them, in order to establish the initial club rating list. The USCF rating format is used as the basis for calculating our club rating list. Members that had no USCF ratings are given a provisional rating based on their performances against regular club members who had USCF ratings. Club rated events will use these ratings for pairing purposes.

PHCC Rating List as of 3/10/14

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Gregg, Alan	1951
West, Tony	1898
Wilkinson, Stew	1879
Rutkofske, Lon	1836
Morabito, Matt	1780
Wingrove, Bill	1695
Broyles, Tom	1692
Jones, G. Avery	1684
Hartwig, Nathan	1683
Fiedler, Bob	1646
Bedy, Noel	1621
Beneker, Gerrit	1545
Scholfield, Chris	1503
Boucher, Dave	1463
Rob Brown	1300
Cody Trombley	1278
Archer, Kraig	1200
Carey, Jay	1000
Allen, Nathan	984
Nowiski, Adam	919

USCF Ratings as of 3/10/14

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Gregg, Alan	1998
West, Tony	1898
Wilkinson, Stew	1840
Rutkofske, Lon	1816
Morabito, Matt	1794
Fiedler, Robert	1713
Broyles, Tom	1699
Wingrove, Bill	1692
Hartwig, Nathan	1653
Jones, G.Avery	1589
Bedy, Noel	1557
Boucher, Dave	1313
Trombley, Cody	1278

PHCC Speed Rating List as of 3/10/14

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Gregg, Alan	1960
Wilkinson, Stew	1909
Rutkofske, Lon	1864
West, Tony	1826
Hartwig, Nathan	1784
Broyles, Tom	1708
Morabito, Matt	1701
Fiedler, Robert	1608
Jones, G. Avery	1590
Wingrove, Bill	1561
Scholfield, Chris	1552
Bedy, Noel	1519
Beneker, Gerrit	1500
Nowiski, Adam	1364
Trombley, Cody	1292
Carey, Jay	1000
Allen, Nathan	984
Archer, Kraig	750