



Chess Chatter

Newsletter of the Port Huron Chess Club

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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>

Wilkinson/Rutkofske spearhead PHCC's delegation to Sarnia's Hobbyfest 2014

PHCC's ambassadors of goodwill and good cheer did their best at proselytizing a goodly number of interested Sarnians about the benefits of the Port Huron Chess Club as a part of their annual sojourn to Canatara Park on Sunday, July 20th.



Stew Wilkinson mans the PHCC site



Andy Bruziewicz readies himself for some speed games.

On hand to greet them was Sarnia councilman

and former club champion, **Andy Bruziewicz**, who has been working with a local Sarnia high school chess club to help younger players learn the game and encourage them to participate in organized club activities.

A host of 5-minute games ensued as Lon and Stew matched wits with the Polish speed demon, managing a paltry pair of victories as Andy, albeit a tad rusty, unleashed the full force of his tactical and strategic repertoire on the American duo.

What was encouraging was the interest exhibited by a number of younger players that "hung around" the PHCC site to watch and play some games. We were able to hand out a number of flyers and chat with quite an array of parents who seemed to be interested in learning more about the PHCC.



Stew and Andy prepare for combat!

Our collective hope is to increase cooperation and interest in the “game of kings” and expand the international footprint of the PHCC and its partners in Sarnia.

Many thanks to Stew, Andy and Rachel Veilleux, of the Sarnia Parks and Recreation Department for making the day a wonderful success.

New Schedule of Events posted for August and September 2014

Members should check out the “Calendar of Events” section of this issue of Chess Chatter to access all the information regarding the events and tournaments offered at the PHCC for the next two months.

After a month and a half respite from organized activity, I am certain many members are eager to climb back into the saddle, keen to wreak havoc with potential opponents this fall.



It appears **Avery Jones** has been traveling again, as I see he scored 2.5 points in his participation in the World Open hosted in Virginia beginning on July 6th. If you recall his efforts last year, our resident vagabond traversed the U.S. from Washington, D.C. to Las Vegas, Nevada in efforts of besting worthy opponents and improving his play.

We are looking forward to seeing a number of his games in next month’s issue when he gets around to providing them to us. Members of the PHCC wish him the best on his route to “Chessic Glory”!

Members’ Games

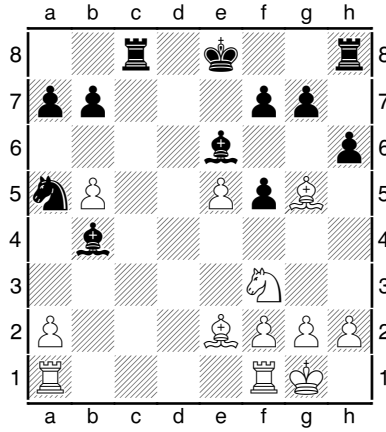


Please send me what you consider your best games, annotated or not, so that I might be able to showcase them. The following games represent contests that have been available at the time of this printing. Email them to me or give them to me personally, if you wish. Majority of analyses is done by Fritz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

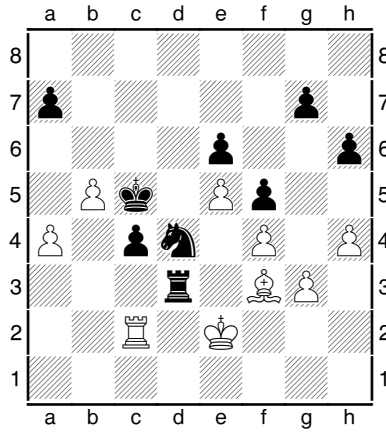
Britton, Kevin - Rutkofske, Lonnie [C02] French Defense Advanced Variation

Casual Game Port Huron, 17.07.2014

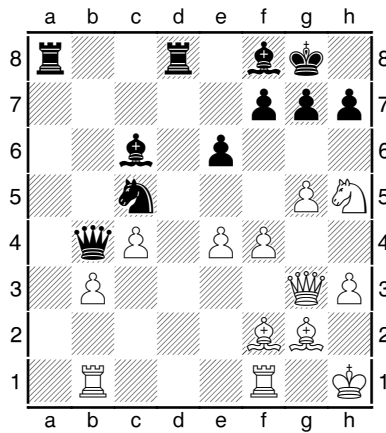
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.Nf3 Bd7 5.Bg5 Qc7 6.dxc5 Bxc5 7.c3 Nc6 8.b4 Bf8 9.Bd3 Rc8 10.0-0 Nh6 11.b5 Na5 12.Nd4 Nf5 13.Nxf5 exf5 14.Nd2 Qxc3 15.Be2 Qa3 16.Nf3 h6 17.Qxd5 Be6 18.Qd4 Bc5 19.Qh4 Qb4 20.Qxb4 Bxb4 Diagram



21.Be3 Bc5 22.Nd4 Ke7 23.Nxe6 fxe6 24.Rfd1 Rhd8 25.Rac1 b6 26.Bxc5+ bxc5 27.Rxd8 Kxd8 28.f4 Ke7 29.h4 c4 30.Bf3 Rd8 31.g3 Rd3 32.Kf2 Kd8 33.Ke2 Kc7 34.a4 Kb6 35.Rc2 Kc5 36.Kf2 Nb3 37.Ke2 Nd4+ White Resigns 0-1 Diagram



Rutkofske-Britton: Game Two Port Huron Chess Club 17-7-14 : White to move.



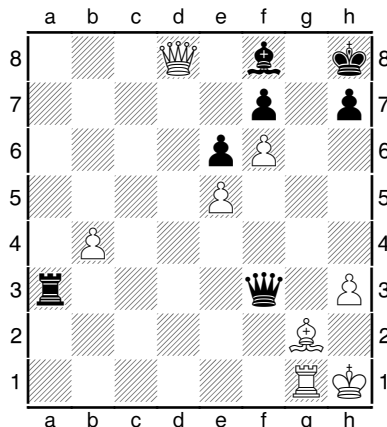
Rutkofske vs Britton

The game score from the position in previous diagram:

Rutkofske, Lonnie - Britton, Kevin

Casual Game Port Huron, 17.07.2014

**1.Bxc5 Qxc5 2.b4 Qxc4 3.Rfc1 Qb5 4.Rxc6 Qxc6 5.e5 Qc2 6.Rg1 Rd3
7.Qh4 Rd1 8.Nf6+ gxf6 9.gxf6 Ra3 10.Qg4+ Kh8 11.Bf1 Qe4+ 12.Kh2 Qg6
13.Qxd1 Qe4 14.Qd8??[A tad optimistic here...better and safer was simply
14.Qg4 for the draw!] Qxf4+ 15.Kh1 Qf3+?[Stew and Bill pointed out that
15.Qe4+ draws! 16.Bg2 Diagram and Black Resigns.**



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*.

AUGUST 7TH 2014 – PHCC rated August G/30 Mini-Swiss: Two sections: Section A - PHCC members whose rating of 1700 and above; Section B - PHCC members whose rating is under 1700. EF: \$5.00 /under-19 = \$2.50. Time controls: G/30, 5 sec. delay; Rounds begin at 7:00 PM on August 7th. Please email Lon to let him know if you plan to play. Prizes based on 6 per section: 1st - \$20; 2nd - \$10.

August 14th 2014 – Bughouse Round Robin tournament: G/5 minutes – Partners chosen at random, one from PHCC members rated above 1750 and one from PHCC members rated 1750 or under. Rounds based on entries. Entry Fee: \$5.00 /under-19 = \$2.50. Prizes: First Place: Plaque and 2014 Bughouse Championship Title and entry fee returned; Runner up - \$20/team. (Ties will be broken by playoff.)

August 21st and 28th – 2014 PHCC Junior Championships (19 or under): (Based on at least 5 entries.) 4 Round tournament- Two rounds August 21st, final two rounds August 28th. Time Control: G/45. EF: \$2.50 Prizes: First Place: Plaque + \$20; Runner- up: \$10.

September 11th thru 25th - PHCC G/90 MINI-SWISS: Two Sections: Section A - PHCC members whose rating of 1700 and above; Section B - PHCC members whose rating is under 1700. EF: \$5.00 /under-19 = \$2.50. Time controls: G/90; Rounds begin at 7:00 PM on September 11, 18, and 25th. Registration on site ends at 7:00 on 9/11, but please email Lon before 9/11 if you intend to play. Prizes based on 6 entries/section: 1st place = \$20; \$10 for top scores in each category of U1600; U1500; U1300; U1100 if there are two or more in each category.

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 to expire in August 2014:
Kraig Archer

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 7/23/14

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Gregg, Alan	1958
West, Tony	1914
Wilkinson, Stew	1908
Rutkofske, Lon	1819
Morabito, Matt	1805
Broyles, Tom	1692
Hartwig, Nathan	1688
Wingrove, Bill	1667
Jones, G. Avery	1665
Bedy, Noel	1612
Beneker, Gerrit	1528
Chan, Jaime	1502
Boucher, Dave	1467
Mariani, Gino	1333
Cody Trombley	1278
Carey, Jay	1000
Allen, Nathan	984
Nowiski, Adam	915

USCF Ratings as of 7/23/14

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Gregg, Alan	1986
West, Tony	1912
Wilkinson, Stew	1880
Hartwig, Nathan	1809
Morabito, Matt	1809
Rutkofske, Lon	1808
Broyles, Tom	1699
Wingrove, Bill	1641
Bedy, Noel	1535
Jones, G. Avery	1513
Chan, Jaime	1481
Boucher, Dave	1332
Trombley, Cody	1278
Mariani, Gino	939P
Nowiski, Adam	673P7

PHCC Speed Rating List as of 7/23/14

<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
Jones, G. Avery	1590
Wingrove, Bill	1561
Bedy, Noel	1519
Chan, Jaime	1502
Beneker, Gerrit	1500
Nowiski, Adam	1364
Mariani, Gino	1333
Trombley, Cody	1292
Carey, Jay	1000
Allen, Nathan	984