



Chess Chatter

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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. Email: PtHuronChessClub@aol.com or Website: <http://porthuronchessclub.volasite.com>

Alan Gregg completes 7-0 sweep to capture his 6th PHCC Championship title!



Our illustrious representative of the UK collected yet another title adding to his total as he raced through a host of stumbling opponents on his way to perfection, racking up 7 straight wins in securing the 2018 PHCC Championship crown. Effectively taking advantage of the generosity of his fellow competitors in the majority of games who shared the maddening habit of "giving" this year's champ piece after piece through their errant play, the gleeful champion accepted each with a magnanimity that only PHCC members can appreciate.

The play of **Josh Muir** and **Dave Boucher** surfaced as the bright spots in the whole affair, as play was generally sub-par by usual championship standards with upsets being few and far between. **Bill Wingrove's** complete domination of **Matt Morabtio** in the first round was held up as the most surprisingly efficient crush of the tournament, although **Dave Boucher's** draws with the #2 and #3 rated players proved remarkable as well. Unfortunately pressing family obligations forced Dave to withdraw, preventing him from would could have been his best tournament finish!

Undoubtedly, the play of both Matt and **Noel Bedy** fell way below both their expectations and competitive norms in championship play, as neither seemed to be able to maintain advantages long enough to bring home key victories!

[The game scores and results from the 2018 Championships complete with extensive annotation and self-playing capabilities have been made available through the efforts of Alan Gregg on our website noted above.]

2018 PHCC Championships -- Standings

#	Name/Rtng/ID	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Rd 6	Rd 7
1	Alan Gregg 1948 12824548	B 7	W 6	B 5	W 4	B 3	W 2	- 8
		1.0	2.0	3.0	4.0	5.0	6.0	X7.0
3	Lonnie Rutkofske 1818 10288347	B 5	W 4	W 8	B 2	W 1	B 7	W 6
		1.0	2.0	2.5	3.0	3.0	4.0	5.0
4	George Jones 1630 12577178	W 8	B 3	W 2	B 1	W 7	B 6	W 5
		1.0	1.0	2.0	2.0	2.5	3.5	4.5
6	William Wingrove 1579 12181760	W 2	B 1	W 7	- 8	B 5	W 4	B 3
		1.0	1.0	2.0	X3.0	3.5	3.5	3.5
2	Matthew Morabito 1848 12577179	B 6	W 5	B 4	W 3	W 8	B 1	W 7
		0.0	1.0	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.0	3.0
5	Joshua Muir 1600 16403982	W 3	B 2	W 1	B 7	W 6	- 8	B 4
		0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.5	X2.5	2.5
8	David Boucher 1303 12412595	B 4	W 7	B 3	- 6	B 2	- 5	- 1
		0.0	1.0	1.5	F1.5	2.0	F2.0	F2.0
7	Noel Bedy 1504 12626193	W 1	B 8	B 6	W 5	B 4	W 3	B 2
		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.5	0.5

Club Champion : Alan Gregg - Plaque + \$35

2nd Place: Lon Rutkofske - Plaque + \$20

Top Under 1700: G. Avery Jones - Plaque + \$10

Biggest Upset: Bill Wingrove over Matt Morabito - \$10

Remembrances as the PHCC moves toward its 50 year anniversary!

January 2019 will be the 50th anniversary of the Port Huron Chess Club. As one of its founding members, I just wanted to share a few memorial contests of my co-founders. The first is a pair of **Bob Duncan's** final rated Michigan games to recognize what a key member he was to the growth and long term impact he had in securing this coming historic event. He was forever spreading the lore of the PHCC, be it at a chess tournament in Orlando, or a bridge tournament in Philadelphia, Bob was forever a champion of chess, and our own PHCC.

It is also fitting that this issue highlights the **Phil Willard Memorial Chess Tournament** scheduled for March 24th at Port Huron High School which celebrates another founding father of the PHCC family (See the flyer on final page of this issue)! Phil's eternal love and optimistic appreciation for the "Game of Kings" never waned as a constant inspiration to fellow club members but additionally extended to his own family as evidenced by the fact that his son, Jeff, continues that tradition as Central Middle School's chess club advisor and his assumption of the duties of managing the PHASD tournament that bears his father's name!

The PHCC should forever be thankful to Bob and Phil for their efforts on our behalf! Your contributions have become legend!

Duncan,Robert (1553) - Waltz,Glenn (1325) [D03] Colle - London System

2006 Michigan Senior - Reserve Flint (1), 10.06.2006

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Bg5 e6 4.e3 h6 5.Bh4 Be7 6.Bd3 Nbd7 7.0-0 0-0 8.Re1 Ne4
9.Bxe7 Qxe7 10.Bxe4 dxe4 11.Nfd2 f5 12.c3 c5 13.Na3 a6 14.Nc2 b5 15.a3 Bb7
16.b4 c4 17.Rf1 Nf6 18.Ne1 Nd5 19.Qc2 a5 20.Qb2 axb4 21.axb4 Rxa1 22.Qxa1
Ra8 23.Qb2 e5 24.Nc2 exd4 25.Nxd4 Qd7 26.Ra1 Nb6 27.Rxa8+ Bxa8 28.Qa1 Na4
29.Nf1 g6 30.Ng3 Qd5 31.Nge2 g5 32.g3 Kg7 33.Qe1 Nb2 34.Qa1 Na4 35.Qf1 Bb7
36.Qg2 Qe5 37.h4 g4 38.Qf1 h5 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$

Jones,Cory (1158) - Duncan,Robert (1533) [B03] Alekhine's Defense

2006 Michigan Open-Reserve Flint (2), 10.06.2006

1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.d4 d6 4.c4 Nb6 5.exd6 exd6 6.Bd3 Qe7+ 7.Ne2 g6 8.Nbc3
Bg7 9.0-0 0-0 10.Be3 Bg4 11.Qd2 Be6 12.d5 Bd7 13.Bh6 Qh4 14.Bxg7 Kxg7
15.Ne4 f5 16.Qc3+ Kg8 17.g3 Qe7 18.Nd2 Qe5 19.Nf3 Qxc3 20.Nxc3 Na4 21.Nxa4
Bxa4 22.b3 Bd7 23.a3 c5 24.Rae1 f4 25.Ng5 Na6 26.Re7 h6 27.Rxd7 hxg5
28.Rxd6 Rf7 29.Bxg6 Rg7 30.Re1 Nc7 31.Re5 Rxc6 32.Rxc6+ Kh7 33.Rgxc5 Re8
34.gxf4 1-0

Wingrove,William (1660) - Willard,Phillip (1508) [C41] Philidor Defense

1998 PHCC Championships Port Huron, MI (2), 09.04.1998

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 d6 3.Bc4 h6 4.d4 exd4 5.Nxd4 Nf6 6.Nc3 Be7 7.0-0 0-0 8.Qf3 Ng4 9.Bb3
Bf6 10.Nf5 h5 11.h3 Bxf5 12.exf5 Bxc3 13.bxc3 Ne5 14.Qxh5 Nbd7 15.Bg5 Nf6 16.Qh4 a5
17.Rfe1 c6 18.Rad1 Re8 19.Kh1 b5 20.a3 d5 21.Bxf6 Qxf6 22.Qxf6 gxf6 23.a4 b4 24.cxb4
axb4 25.Rd2 Nd7 26.Rde2 Rxe2 27.Rxe2 Nc5 28.Re1 Nxa4 29.h4 Nc5 30.Re7 Nxb3
31.cxb3 c5 32.Rc7 Ra5 33.g4 d4 34.Kg2 Ra3 35.Rxc5 Rxb3 36.Kf1 d3 37.Ke1 Rc3
38.Rb5 Rc4 39.f3 Rf4 40.Kd2 Rxf3 41.Rxb4 Rh3 42.h5 Kg7 43.Rd4 Rg3 44.Re4 Kh6
45.Re7 Rxc4 46.Rxf7 Kxh5 47.Rxf6 Rg3 48.Rd6 Rf3 49.Rxd3 Rxf5 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$

Willard,Phillip (1514) - Rutkofske,Lonnie (1928) [B07] Pirc

2009 PHCC November Quads (3), 12.11.2009

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nc3 g6 3.e4 d6 4.h3 Bg7 5.e5 dxe5 6.dxe5 Bd7 7.exf6 Bxf6 8.Nf3 0-0
9.Bd2 e5 10.Bb5 c6 11.Be2 Qc7 12.Bg5 Bg7 13.0-0 Re8 14.Ne4 Bf5 15.Bf6 Bf8
16.Bxe5 Qb6 17.Nf6+ Kg7 18.Nxe8+ Kh6 19.Nc7 1-0

2019 PHCC Championships - a new proposal

After the past few years of directing the PHCC Championships, I think that perhaps a new format might be in order. I am proposing that we run next year's championships on a single weekend in January with a 5 round swiss system format. Such a change could solve our weather issues, permit more participation from club members who just cannot make the demanding schedule on successive Thursdays and may even bring more participation from younger club players away at school who might be able to make a weekend tournament. Additionally, such a format should free up the winter Thursday schedule for more casual and challenge play, as well as shorter action and mini-Swiss events.

Please let me know your thoughts via email, I am very interested in soliciting member feedback! Lon

Members' Games



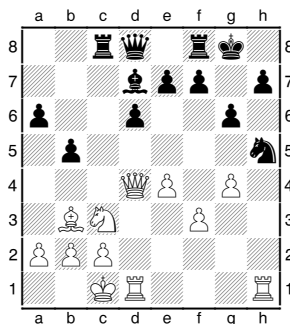
Please send me what you consider your best games, annotated or not, so that I might be able to showcase them. The following games represent contests that have been available at the time of this printing. Email them to me or give them to me personally, if you wish. Majority of analyses is done by Fritz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

This first game was both a moral and psychological victory for Bill, since it was the first time he defeated Matt in a club championship game. Bill developed a very effective, aggressive plan while Matt seemed rather listless and passive in his approach, confident that his opponent would yet again stumble and make a crucial error in his attack thereby shifting the momentum and guarantee a victorious conclusion for Black. Well...this time...Bill wasted little time in wasting Matt! In the post mortem, Matt conceded that Bill just plain whipped him!

Wingrove,William (1579) - Morabito,Matthew (1848) [B78] Sicilian Defense-Yugolsav Attack

2018 PHCC Championships Port Huron (1), 11.01.2018 [Notes by Lon Rutkofske]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 g6 5.Nc3 Bg7 6.Be3 Nf6 7.f3 0-0 8.Qd2 d6 9.Bc4 Bd7 10.0-0-0 a6 11.h4 Rc8 12.Bb3 b5 13.h5 Nxh5 14.g4 Nxd4 15.Bxd4 Bxd4 16.Qxd4 Diagram



16...Nf6 17.Qd2! Bxg4?? [The losing move! Black needs to get rid of the B at b3, but to sacrifice his B for three pawns in the vain hope of endgame glory is hardly a sound plan at this point in the game, playing squarely into the theme of the Yugoslav attack by clearing the files for White's Rooks. Black appears oblivious to the dangers of White's looming K-side onslaught. In a way...it is kind of poetic justice, that Matt's rather arrogant taunt challenging his opponent to make good on his attack quickly cost him the game!] **18.fxg4??18...Nxc4 19.Qg5 Qd7 20.Rdg1 Nf6 21.Qh6 e6 22.Rf1 Nh5 23.Rxh5 1-0**

Jones,G. Avery (1630) - Boucher,David (1303) [A41] Modern Defense

2018 PHCC Championships Port Huron (1), 01.02.2018

1.d4 d6 2.Bf4 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.e3 Nd7 5.c3 e5 6.dxe5 dxe5 7.Bg3 Nh6 8.h3 0-0 9.Be2 Nf5 10.Bh2 Qe7 11.0-0 c6 12.Qc2 Re8 13.e4 Nh4 14.Nbd2 Bh6 15.Nc4

Nxf3+ 16.Bxf3 Qg5 17.Nd6 Re6 18.Rad1 Rf6 19.Bg4 Nb6 20.Nxc8 Nxc8 21.Rd8+ Kg7 22.Rxc8 Rxc8 23.Bxc8 Rd6 24.Rd1 Qd8 25.Bxe5+ 1-0

Muir,Joshua (1600) - Rutkofske,Lonnie (1818) [A85] Dutch Defense

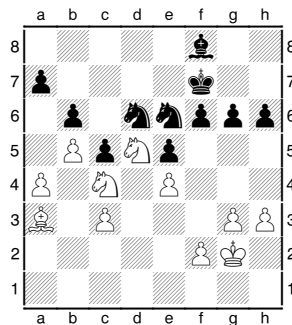
2018 PHCC Championships Port Huron (1), 23.01.2018

1.d4 f5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Nf3 b6 5.Bg5 Be7 6.e3 Bb7 7.Be2 0-0 8.0-0 d6 9.Qb3 Kh8 10.Rad1 Qe8 11.Bf4 Nh5 12.Bg5 Bxg5 13.Nxg5 h6 14.Bxh5 Qxh5 15.Nxe6 Bxg2 16.Nf4 Qf3 17.Nxg2 Rf6 18.Nd5 Rg6 19.Ndf4 Rg5 20.Qd3 Nd7 21.Kh1 Nf6 22.e4 fxe4 23.Qxf3 exf3 24.Ne1 Rg4 25.Ne6 Re8 26.Nxc7 Re2 27.Nxf3 Ne4 28.h3 Rg6 29.Rde1 Nxf2+ 30.Rxf2 Rxf2 31.Nh4 Rg3 32.Re4 Rxb2 33.a3 Rxh3+ 34.Kg1 Rxa3 35.Ng6+ Kh7 36.Nf8+ Kg8 37.Rf4 Ra1+ 38.Rf1 Rxf1+ 39.Kxf1 Kxf8 40.Nb5 a5 41.Nxd6 a4 42.Nb5 h5 43.Na3 h4 44.d5 Ke8 45.Kg1 Rb3 46.Nb5 Rxb5 47.cxb5 a3 0-1

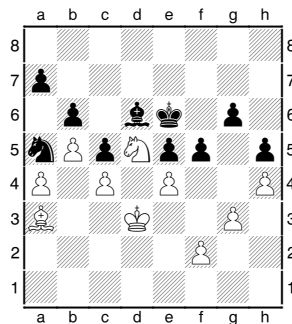
Bedy,Noel (1504) - Gregg,Alan (1948) [B07] Pirc Defense

2018 PHCC Championships Port Huron (1), 11.01.2018 [Notes by Lon Rutkofske]

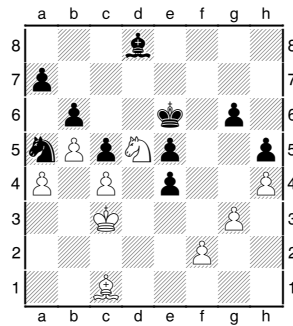
1.d4 g6 2.Nf3 d6 3.Nbd2 Bg7 4.e4 c6 5.c3 Nf6 6.Bd3 0-0 7.0-0 Nbd7 8.Re1 e5 9.dxe5 dxe5 10.a4 b6 11.b4 Qc7 12.Ba3 Bb7 13.Bc4 c5 14.b5 Rad8 15.Qc2 Rfe8 16.Rad1 Nf8 17.Ba2 h6 18.Bb1 Bc8 19.h3 Be6 20.Ba2 Nh5 21.Bxe6 Nxe6 22.Nc4 Nhf4 23.Ne3 Kh7 24.Kh2 Qc8 25.Rxd8 Rxd8 26.Rd1 Nc7 27.Nd2 Rd7 28.Ndc4 Qd8 29.Rxd7 Qxd7 30.Qd2 Qxd2 31.Nxd2 Bf8 32.Ndc4 f6 33.g3 Nfe6 34.Nd5 Kg7 35.Nce3 Kf7 36.Kg2 Ne8 37.Nc4 Nd6 Diagram



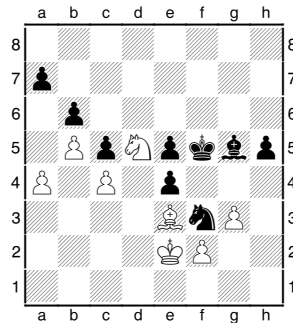
38.Nxd6+ [An interesting thought would be 38.Ncb6?!, ab6 39.Nb6 with a pair of connected passed pawns heading for queening squares!] **38...Bxd6 39.h4 Nd8 40.Kf3 Nb7 41.Ne3 h5 42.Ke2 Ke6 43.c4?** [This move seems to lock the position, make the c-pawn a target, and prevent using the c4 square open to his N...a better plan may have been 43. Bc1 focusing on repositioning his B to a better square like d2 to shore up his defenses and help out on the Q-side! At this point, Alan has little counter play and this position is very drawish, which isn't in Alan's plan. He admits that he was attempting to provoke complications hoping to gain time and capitalize on his strong endgame play.] **43...Na5 44.Kd3 f5 45.Nd5??** Diagram



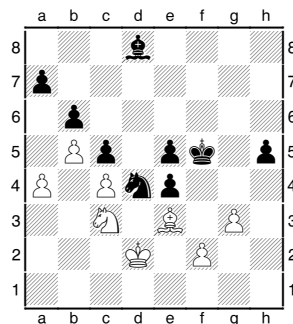
[Ceding a central pawn is not the way to a drawn position, the text, while not immediately losing, makes a draw more difficult, although not fatal! Best was the simple 45.f3 ...but had he repositioned his B to c1 earlier the threat of f4 would not loom as large.] **45...fxe4+ 46.Kc3 Be7 47.Bc1 Bd8** Diagram



[Alan chooses a perfect defensive spot for his B, and now can proceed to penetrate the K-side with his K as now White's pieces become over burdened. I think White's plan must include unraveling his pieces by Bh6 and returning his N to e3 to prevent the incursion of the Black K.] **48.Be3?** [Bh6 was essential here, because the K cannot penetrate and once the N returns to e3. At this point the extra pawn on e4 is rather a liability and all white needs to do is shuffle his B or K to claim the draw!] **48...Nb7 49.Kb3 Nd6 50.Bc1 Nf5 51.Be3 Nd4+ 52.Kc3 Kf5 53.Kd2 Kg4 54.Nc3 Kf5 55.Nd5 g5 56.hxg5 Nf3+ 57.Ke2 Bxg5** Diagram



[Most observers viewed this as an error by Alan and almost ensured a draw. If 58.Bg5 Kg5 59.Ke3 holds and now Black has to worry about his a and b pawns. If 58 Ng5 then Ne7+ permits the White N access to c6 which is deadly!] **58.Nc3 Nd4+ 59.Kd2 Bd8** Diagram



[With best play, white should be able to hold on to a draw.] **60.Nd5 Nb3+ 61.Kc3 Na5 62.Bd2 Kg4 63.Be1??** [Effectively dooming his B to passivity, the simple 63. Be3 still holds.] **63...Kf3 64.Ne3 Bg5 65.Kd2??** [Just a time control blunder, since Noel was down to less than three minutes at this point in the game. A nicely played game by

Noel, who always seems to give Alan fits! But again, Alan managed to use his experience and endgame prowess to secure the victory!] 0-1

Boucher,David (1303) - Bedy,Noel (1504) [B00] Nimzowitch Defense

2018 PHCC Championships St. Clair (2), 18.01.2018

1.e4 b6 2.d4 Bb7 3.Nc3 e6 4.Nf3 Bb4 5.e5 Ne7 6.Bg5 d6 7.Bb5+ c6 8.Bd3 dxe5 9.Nxe5 Nd7 10.Qh5 Nxe5 11.dxe5 Qc7 12.0-0 Bxc3 13.bxc3 h6 14.Rfe1 0-0-0 15.Be3 g6 16.Qe2 Qxe5 17.Qf3 Rxd3 18.cxd3 Qf5 19.Qd1 Rd8 20.d4 h5 21.Bc1 Qg4 22.f3 Qh4 23.Re5 Nf5 24.Bd2 Rd5 25.f4 Rxe5 26.fxe5 Qd8 27.Qc1 Qd5 28.Qf1 c5 29.dxc5 Qxc5+ 30.Kh1 Qxe5 31.Rd1 Nh4 32.Bf4 Bxg2+ 33.Qxg2 Qxf4 34.Qc6+ Qc7 35.Qe8+ 1-0

Gregg,Alan (1948) - Wingrove,William (1579) [A45] Trompowsky Attack

2018 PHCC Championships Port Huron (2), 18.01.2018

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bf4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.e3 Bg7 5.h4 h5 6.Nf3 Bf5 7.Bd3 Bxd3 8.Qxd3 Nc6 9.Ne5 Nxe5 10.dxe5 Ng4 11.Qxd5 Qxd5 12.Nxd5 Rc8 13.e6 fxe6 14.Nc3 0-0 15.Ne4 b6 16.f3 Ne5 17.0-0-0 Rfd8 18.Ng5 Nc4 19.Rxd8+ Rxd8 20.b3 e5 21.Ne6 Rc8 22.Bg5 Nd6 23.Nxg7 Kxg7 24.Bxe7 Re8 25.Bxd6 cxd6 26.Rd1 Rd8 27.c4 Kf6 28.Rd5 Ke6 29.Kd2 Rg8 30.f4 exf4 31.exf4 Rf8 32.Ke3 a6 33.Rg5 Rf6 34.Ke4 Kd7 35.g3 Re6+ 36.Kd4 Ke7 37.a4 Re1 38.Rxg6 Rb1 39.Kc3 Rg1 40.Rg5 Kf6 41.Kb4 Rb1 42.Rxh5 1-0

Rutkofske,Lonnie (1818) - Jones,G. Avery (1630) [B15] Caro-Kann

2018 PHCC Championships Port Huron (2), 18.01.2018

1.e4 c6 2.Nc3 d5 3.Nf3 g6 4.d4 Bg7 5.Be3 dxe4 6.Nxe4 Be6 7.Be2 Nf6 8.Nxf6+ exf6 9.Qd2 0-0 10.c4 Re8 11.0-0 Bg4 12.h3 Bxf3 13.Bxf3 Nd7 14.Rfd1 Nb6 15.Qc2 Rc8 16.a4 Qe7 17.a5 Nd7 18.Qa4 a6 19.Re1 f5 20.Rad1 Qh4 21.c5 f4 22.Bc1 Qf6 23.Rxe8+ Rxe8 24.Qb4 Rb8 25.Bg4 Nf8 26.Bf3 g5 27.d5 cxd5 28.Bxd5 Qe7 29.Re1 Ne6 30.Qc4 Re8 31.b4 Bf8 32.Bd2 Qd7 33.Bc3 Qb5 34.Qxb5 axb5 35.Bxb7 Nc7 36.Rxe8 Nxe8 37.a6 Bg7 38.Bxg7 Kxg7 39.a7 Nc7 40.a8Q 1-0

Morabito,Matthew (1848) - Muir,Joshua (1600) [A04] Reti Opening

2018 PHCC Championships Port Huron (2), 18.01.2018

1.Nf3 c5 2.g3 g6 3.Bg2 Bg7 4.0-0 e6 5.d4 cxd4 6.Nxd4 d5 7.c3 Ne7 8.Nd2 0-0 9.e4 Nbc6 10.exd5 Nxd4 11.cxd4 Bxd4 12.Nf3 Bc5 13.Bh6 Re8 14.Rc1 Bd6 15.dxe6 Bxe6 16.b3 Rb8 17.Bg5 Qd7 18.Nd2 Bg4 19.Ne4 Be5 20.Qxd7 Bxd7 21.Nc5 Bc6 22.Rfe1 Bd6 23.Bxc6 bxc6 24.Nd7 Rbc8 25.Nf6+ Kg7 26.Nxe8+ Rxe8 27.Bxe7 Bxe7 28.Rxc6 Kf8 29.Rc7 a5 30.Ra7 Bb4 31.Rxe8+ Kxe8 32.a3 Bc3 33.Rc7 Bf6 34.b4 Bd8 35.Rb7 Kf8 36.b5 a4 1-0

Jones,G. Avery (1630) - Morabito,Matthew (1848) [A48] Torre Attack-London System

2018 PHCC Championships Port Huron (3), 25.01.2018

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bf4 d6 3.Nf3 g6 4.h3 Bg7 5.e3 0-0 6.Be2 Nbd7 7.0-0 Re8 8.c4 c5 9.Nc3 b6 10.Re1 Bb7 11.Qc2 e5 12.dxe5 dxe5 13.Bg5 e4 14.Nd2 h6 15.Bh4 g5 16.Bg3 a6 17.Rad1 Qe7 18.a3 Rad8 19.Nf1 Nf8 20.Qb3 Rxd1 21.Rxd1 Rd8 22.Qxb6 Rxd1 23.Bxd1 Ne8 24.Qb3 Qd7 25.Bg4 Qe7 26.Nd5 Bxd5 27.cxd5 Be5 28.Be2 Nc7 29.Bc4 Bd6 30.Qb6 Nd7 31.Qxd6 resigns 1-0

Rutkofske,Lonnie (1818) - Boucher,David (1303) [A03] Bird's Opening

2018 PHCC Championships Port Huron (3), 25.01.2018

1.f4 e6 2.b3 Nf6 3.Nf3 d5 4.Bb2 Be7 5.e3 b6 6.Bd3 Ba6 7.Bxa6 Nxa6 8.Qe2 Nc5 9.d3 0-0 10.0-0 Ncd7 11.Nbd2 c5 12.Ne5 Nxe5 13.Bxe5 Nd7 14.Rf3 Nxe5 15.fxe5 f5 16.exf6 Bxf6 17.Raf1 Qd6 18.Rh3 Be7 19.Qh5 Rxf1+ 20.Nxf1 h6 21.Qg6 Bg5 22.Rg3 Qe5 23.c3 Rf8 24.d4 cxd4 25.cxd4 Qd6 26.Nd2 Rf6 27.Qc2 Qf8 28.Qd3 Qc8 29.Rf3 Qc1+ 30.Nf1 Rxf3 31.gxf3 Qe1 32.f4 Bh4 33.Qd2 Qb1 34.Qg2 Qf5 35.Nd2 Qh5 36.Nf3 Bf6 37.h3 Kh7 38.Qc2+ Kg8 39.Kg2 Qf7 40.f5 Qd7 41.fxe6 Qxe6 42.Qd3 Bd8 43.Ne5 Bc7 44.Qg6 Qe7 45.Ng4 Kh8 46.Qf5 Qd6 47.Ne5 Kg8 48.Qf7+ Kh7 49.Qf5+ Kg8 50.Qc8+ Kh7 51.Qe8 Qf6 52.Ng4 Qd6 53.Ne5 ½-½

Wingrove,William (1579) - Bedy,Noel (1504) [C80] Ruy Lopez - Open Variation

2018 PHCC Championships Port Huron (3), 25.01.2018

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Nxe4 6.Re1 Nc5 7.Bxc6 dxc6 8.Nxe5 Ne6 9.Nc3 Be7 10.d3 0-0 11.Qf3 Nd4 12.Qd1 Bd6 13.h3 Re8 14.Nf3 Nxf3+ 15.gxf3 Bxh3 16.Ne4 Be7 17.f4 Qd7 18.Qf3 Qg4+ 19.Qxg4 Bxg4 20.Bd2 f5 21.Ng3 Bc5 22.Kg2 g6 23.f3 Bh5 24.Nxh5 gxh5 25.c3 Kf7 26.d4 Bd6 27.Kf2 Re7 28.Rxe7+ Bxe7 29.Rh1 h4 30.Kf1 Rg8 31.Be1 Rg6 32.Rg1 Bd6 33.Bd2 Rxc1+ 34.Kxc1 Kg6 35.Kf2 b5 36.Ke3 h3 37.Kf2 a5 38.b3 Kf6 39.c4 Ke6 40.c5 Be7 41.Bxa5 Kd5 42.Bc3 Bf6 43.Kg3 Bxd4 44.Bxd4 Kxd4 45.Kxh3 Ke3 46.a4 bxa4 47.bxa4 Kd4 48.Kh4 Kxc5 49.Kg5 Kb6 50.Kxf5 c5 51.Ke5 h5 52.f5 h4 53.f6 h3 54.f7 h2 55.f8Q h1Q 56.Qb8+ 1-0

Muir,Joshua (1600) - Gregg,Alan (1948) [E91] King's Indian Defense

2018 PHCC Championships Port Huron (3), 25.01.2018 [Alan]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.Nf3 d6 5.e4 0-0 6.Be2 Na6 7.a3 [Relevant: 7.0-0 e5 8.Re1 c6 9.d5 Nc5 10.Nd2 a5 11.b3 Bh6 12.Qc2 Ng4 13.Nf1 Bxc1 14.Raxc1 Nh6 15.Qd2 Kg7 16.dxc6 bxc6 17.Red1 Ne6 18.Qxd6 Qxd6 19.Rxd6 Nd4 20.c5 Be6 21.Nd2 a4 22.bxa4 Rxa4 23.Nf3 Nxe2+ 24.Nxe2 Rxe4 25.Ng3 Ra4 26.Nxe5 Rxa2 27.Nxc6 Ng4 28.h3 Nxf2 29.Rf1 Nd3 30.Rxd3 Bc4 31.Rc3 Bxf1 32.Nxf1 Rc8 33.Nb4 Ra4 34.Nd3 Rc6 35.Nd2 f6 36.Nc4 h5 Aronian,L (2793) -Jobava,B (2707) Leuven 2017 1-0] **7...c5 8.d5 Nc7 9.0-0 a6 10.Ne1** [Predecessor: 10.a4 Rb8 11.Bf4 Bg4 12.Qd2 Bxf3 13.Bxf3 b5 14.cxb5 axb5 15.Rfe1 Nd7 16.Be2 bxa4 17.Rxa4 Ra8 18.Re1 Rxa4 19.Rxa4 1/2-1/2 (19) Korovin,A (2299)-Ilyasov,A (2250) ICCF email 2011] **10...b5 11.f3 Rb8 12.Rb1 Nd7 13.Kh1 Ne5 14.cxb5 axb5 15.Qc2 b4 16.axb4 Rxb4 17.Nd3 Nxd3 18.Bxd3 Bd7 19.Bd2 Qb8 20.b3 Rb7 21.Rfc1 Bb5 22.Bc4 Bd7 23.Na2 Nb5 24.Bxb5 Bxb5 25.Bc3** [25.b4] **25...f6 26.Ba1 Rc8 27.Nc3 Bd7 28.Ne2 Qa7 29.Nf4 Bh6 30.g3 Rcb8 31.Qd3 Rb5 32.Rc3 Qb7 33.Ne6 Rb4 34.f4 Ba4** [34...Bxe6 35.dxe6 Qxe4+ 36.Qxe4 Rxe4 37.Kg2 f5 38.Rd3 c4 39.Rdd1 Rxb3 40.Rxb3 cxb3 41.Rb1 Rb4 42.Bb2 Bg7 43.Kf1 Bxb2 44.Rxb2 Kg7 45.Ke2 Kf6 46.Kd2 Kxe6 47.Kc3 Rb7] **35.Rc2 Rxb3 36.Rxb3 Qxb3 37.Qxb3 Rxb3 38.Rc1 Bd7 39.Nd8 Rb8 40.Nc6 Bxc6 41.dxc6 Rc8 0-1**

Bedy,Noel (1504) - Muir,Joshua (1600) [D05] Colle System

2018 PHCC Championships Port Huron (4), 08.02.2018

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nd2 d5 3.Ngf3 e6 4.e3 c5 5.c3 Nc6 6.Bd3 Be7 7.0-0 0-0 8.Re1 a6 9.e4 cxd4 10.cxd4 dxe4 11.Nxe4 Nxd4 12.Nxd4 Qxd4 13.Nxf6+ Qxf6 14.Qb3 b5 15.Be4 Rb8 16.Qg3 Bb7 17.Bg5 Qxg5 0-1

Gregg,Alan (1948) - Jones,George (1630) [B12] Caro-Kann: Advance Variation

2018 PHCC Championships Port Huron (4), 08.02.2018

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.h4 h6 5.g4 Be4 6.f3 Bh7 7.Bd3 Bxd3 8.Qxd3 e6 9.Be3 c5 10.c3 Nc6 11.f4 Be7 12.Nf3 Qb6 13.Rh2 Rc8 14.a3 Qb3 15.Qc2 Bxh4+ 16.Nxh4 Qxc2 17.Rxc2 cxd4 18.cxd4 g5 19.Nf3 Nge7 20.Nc3 a6 21.Rh2 gxf4 22.Bxf4 Kd7 23.Kd2 Na5 24.Rah1 Nc4+ 25.Kd3 Ng6 26.Bc1 h5 27.gxh5 Ne7 28.Na4 Rcg8 29.Rg1 Rxc1 30.Nxc1 Ng6 31.Ne2 Ngxe5+ 32.dxe5 Nxe5+ 33.Kc2 Rc8+ 34.Kb1 Nd3 35.h6 Ne5 36.h7 Ng6 37.Nf4 1-0

Morabito,Matthew (1848) - Rutkofske,Lonnie (1818) [A07] Reti

Opening:Capablanca Var

2018 PHCC Championships Port Huron (4), 08.02.2018

1.Nf3 d5 2.g3 Bg4 3.Bg2 h6 4.c4 d4 5.Ne5 Bc8 6.Qa4+ c6 7.d3 Nf6 8.Nd2 e6 9.Ndf3 Nbd7 10.b4 Nxe5 11.Nxe5 Qd6 12.Nf3 Qxb4+ 13.Qxb4 Bxb4+ 14.Bd2

Bxd2+ 15.Nxd2 e5 16.Nf3 Nd7 17.Bh3 f6 18.Rb1 Nc5 19.Bg2 Kf7 20.Nd2 Rb8
 21.0-0 Bf5 22.Nb3 Nxd3 23.exd3 Bxd3 24.Na5 Bxb1 25.Rxb1 Rhe8 26.Nxb7 Kf8
 27.Bxc6 Re6 28.Bd5 Ra6 29.c5 d3 30.c6 d2 31.Rd1 Rc8 32.Rxd2 Ke7 33.Bf3
 Raxc6 34.Bxc6 Rxc6 35.Rb2 g5 36.Na5 Ra6 37.Nc4 Ke6 38.Ne3 h5 39.h3 f5
 40.Re2 Ra4 41.Rc2 Ra6 42.Kf1 f4 43.Nc4 Kd5 44.Nd2 Ra3 45.Nb3 Ke6 46.Ke2
 Kf5 47.gxf4 Kxf4 48.Rc4+ Kf5 49.Rc2 Kf4 50.Kf1 Ra4 51.Kg2 h4 52.Nc5 Ra3
 53.Ne6+ Kf5 54.Ng7+ Kg6 55.Ne6 Kf5 56.Nc7 g4 57.hxg4+ Kxg4 58.Rc4+ Kf5
 59.Rc2 Kg4 60.Rc4+ Kf5 61.Rxh4 Rxa2 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$

Rutkofske, Lonnie (1818) - Gregg, Alan (1948) [C56] Scotch Game: 2 Knights Var.

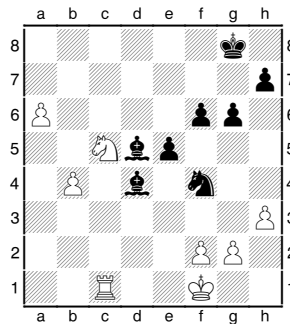
2018 PHCC Championships Port Huron (5), 15.02.2018

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 exd4 4.Bc4 Be7 5.0-0 Nf6 6.e5 Ne4 7.Bd5 Nc5 8.Nbd2 0-0
 9.Nb3 Ne6 10.Nfxd4 Ncxd4 11.Nxd4 c6 12.Be4 d5 13.Bd3 Nxd4 14.Bxh7+ Kxh7
 15.Qxd4 Bf5 16.c3 Kg8 17.g4 Be4 18.Be3 c5 19.Qd2 Qc7 20.f3 Bh7 21.Rae1
 Rad8 22.Bf2 d4 23.f4 Qc6 24.f5 b6 25.Qf4 dxc3 26.bxc3 c4 27.Bd4 Bc5 28.h4
 Bxd4+ 29.cxd4 Qd5 30.Rd1 f6 31.e6 Rfe8 32.Qc7 Qd6 33.Qf7+ Kh8 34.Qh5 Qg3+
 35.Kh1 Re7 36.d5 Kg8 37.Rd2 Qh3+ 38.Kg1 Qe3+ 39.Rdf2 Rxd5 40.Kg2 Rxe6
 41.g5 Qe4+ 42.Kg1 Bxf5 43.Rf4 Qe3+ 44.R1f2 Qg3+ 45.Kh1 Re1+ 46.Rf1 0-1

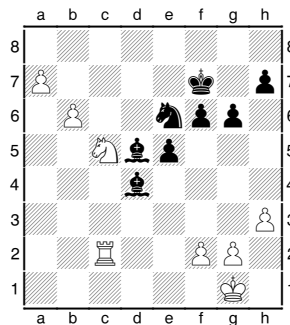
Muir, Joshua (1600) - Wingrove, William (1579) [D94] Grunfeld

2018 PHCC Championships Port Huron (5), 16.02.2018 [LWR]

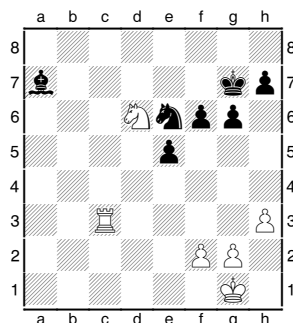
1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.Bf4 Bg7 4.c4 d5 5.Nc3 0-0 6.e3 c5 7.Be2 Nc6 8.0-0 cxd4
 9.exd4 dxc4 10.Bxc4 e6 11.h3 a6 12.a4 Ne7 13.Qb3 Ned5 14.Be5 Qd7 15.Rad1
 Qc6 16.Ng5 Bd7 17.Nge4 Nxc3 18.Nxc3 Rfc8 19.Be2 Be8 20.Bf3 Qd7 21.Bxb7
 Rcb8 22.Bxb8 Rxb8 23.Bc6 Rxb3 24.Bxd7 Bxd7 25.Rb1 Bc6 26.Rfd1 Nd5 27.Ne4
 Rb4 28.b3 Rxd4 29.Rxd4 Bxd4 30.Rc1 Bd7 31.Nc5 Be8 32.Nxa6 f6 33.Nc5 Bf7
 34.a5 Nf4 35.Kf1 e5 36.a6 Bd5 37.b4 Diagram



[37...Bg2+!] 37...Bc6 38.a7 Bb5+ 39.Kg1 Bc6 40.Rc2 Bd5 41.b5 Kf7 42.b6 Ne6
 Diagram



43.b7 Bxb7 44.Nxb7 Bxa7 45.Nd6+ Kg7 46.Rc3? Diagram



[Wasting an important tempo...better was 46.Rc6 with a positional advantage and preparing entrance to the 7th rank!] **46...h5 47.Rf3??** [Wasting more time, as White needs to stay far away from possible forks. Now his R has very little scope playing more like a pawn...cheap tricks won't really cut it with time winding down for both players! Of course Ne8 + is a threat, but easily refuted.] **47...f5 48.Rg3 Bc5?? 49.Nxf5+** [Oops....looks like cheap tricks will rule the day in the oncoming time scramble!!] **49...Kf6 50.Nh4 Ng5 51.Nf3 Bxf2+ 52.Kxf2 Ne4+ 53.Ke3 Nxc3** [After a few more harried moves, all the pawns came off and a draw resulted!] $\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$

Jones,G. Avery (1630) - Bedy,Noel (1504) [A45] Trompowsky Attack

2018 PHCC Championships Port Huron (5), 15.02.2018

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bf4 e6 3.e3 c5 4.c3 b6 5.h3 Bb7 6.Nf3 cxd4 7.exd4 Be7 8.Bd3 d6 9.0-0 0-0 10.Re1 Nbd7 11.Nbd2 Re8 12.Qc2 Nf8 13.Bb5 N8d7 14.Ng5 h6 15.Nge4 a6 16.Nxf6+ Bxf6 17.Bd3 e5 18.dxe5 Bxe5 19.Be3 b5 20.Rad1 Rc8 21.Qb3 Nc5 22.Bxc5 dxc5 23.Nf3 Qf6 24.Nxe5 Rxe5 25.Rxe5 Qxe5 26.Qc2 Qg5 27.Bh7+ Kf8 28.Be4 Bxe4 29.Qxe4 g6 30.Qb7 Rd8 31.Rxd8+ Qxd8 32.Qxa6 Qd1+ 33.Kh2 Qd2 34.Qxb5 Qxf2 35.a4 Qf4+ 36.Kg1 Qc1+ 37.Kf2 Qd2+ 38.Kg1 Qc1+ 39.Kh2 Qf4+ 40.Kg1 Qc1+ $\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$

Morabito,Matthew (1848) - Boucher,David (1303) [A04] K-I Attack

2018 PHCC Championships Port Huron (5), 15.02.2018

1.Nf3 e6 2.g3 f5 3.Bg2 Nf6 4.d3 Be7 5.Nc3 0-0 6.e4 d6 7.0-0 fxe4 8.dxe4 e5 9.Re1 Nc6 10.Nd5 Nxd5 11.Qxd5+ Rf7 12.Be3 Qf8 13.Bg5 Kh8 14.Bxe7 Nxe7 15.Qb3 h6 16.Re3 b6 17.Qc3 Ng8 18.Rf1 Nf6 19.Nh4 Kh7 20.f4 Ba6 21.Rfe1 Ng4 22.Rf3 exf4 23.Bh3 Ne5 24.Bf5+ g6 25.gxf4 Nxf3+ 26.Qxf3 gxf5 27.exf5 Rb8 28.Kf2 Re7 29.Ng6 Qxf5 30.Nxe7 Qxc2+ 31.Kg3 Bb7 32.Re2 Qc5 33.Qd3+ Kh8 34.Ng6+ Kg8 35.Ne7+ Kh8 36.Ng6+ Kg8 37.Ne7+ $\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$

Gregg,Alan (1948) - Morabito,Matthew (1848) [A06] Reti Opening

2018 PHCC Championships Port Huron (6), 23.02.2018

1.b3 Nf6 2.Bb2 g6 3.e3 Bg7 4.c4 0-0 5.Nf3 d5 6.Nc3 Nc6 7.d4 Bg4 8.h3 Bxf3 9.Qxf3 Nb4 10.Qd1 dxc4 11.bxc4 Nc6 12.Be2 e6 13.0-0 Ne7 14.Rb1 c6 15.Ba3 Qc7 16.Qb3 Rab8 17.e4 Rfe8 18.e5 Nd7 19.Bd6 Qa5 20.Bxb8 Rxb8 21.Qb4 Qxb4 22.Rxb4 c5 23.dxc5 Nxc5 24.Rb5 b6 25.f4 Nf5 26.Kf2 h5 27.Rbb1 h4 28.Rfd1 g5 29.Kf3 gxf4 30.Kxf4 Bh6+ 31.Kf3 Bg7 32.Ne4 Nxe4 33.Kxe4 Ng3+ 34.Kf3 Bxe5 35.Rd7 Nxe2 36.Kxe2 a5 37.Rb5 Bg3 38.Rd3 Rc8 39.Rc3 Rc6 40.c5 Be5 41.Rc4 Bc7 42.Kd3 bxc5 43.Rbxc5 Rd6+ 44.Ke2 Bd8 45.Rb5 Kf8 46.a4 Ke8 47.Rb7 Rd5 48.Rg4 Rg5 49.Rxg5 Bxg5 50.Rb8+ Kd7 51.Rb7+ Ke8 52.Ra7 Bd8 53.Kf3 Kf8 54.Ra8 Ke7 55.g3 hxg3 56.Kxg3 f5 57.h4 Bc7+ 58.Kf3 e5 59.Ra6 [Matt lost on time , but black has no good moves.] **1-0**

Wingrove, William (1579) - Jones, G. Avery (1630) [B15] Caro-Kann

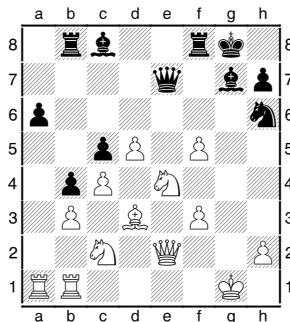
2018 PHCC Championships Port Huron (6), 22.02.2018

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 g6 4.Nc3 Bg7 5.Be3 Nh6 6.f4 Nf5 7.Qd2 Qb6 8.0-0 a5
9.Na4 Qc7 10.Be2 b6 11.g4 Nxe3 12.Qxe3 Na6 13.b3 b5 14.Nb2 Nb4 15.a3 Na6
16.h4 e6 17.h5 Bd7 18.hxg6 hxg6 19.Rxh8+ Bxh8 20.Nf3 0-0-0 21.Rh1 c5
22.Ng5 cxd4 23.Qxd4 Nc5 24.Qc3 d4 25.Qf3 Bc6 26.Qf1 Bxh1 27.Qxh1 Kb8
28.Kd1 d3 29.Nxd3 Nxd3 30.Bxd3 Qc3 31.Ke2 Bxe5 32.Nxf7 Rxd3 33.cxd3 Qc2+
34.Kf1 Qxd3+ 35.Kg2 Qe4+ 36.Kg1 Bd4+ 37.Kh2 Qxf4+ 38.Kh3 Qxf7 39.Qc6
Qh7+ 40.Kg2 Qb7 41.Qxb7+ Kxb7 42.a4 g5 43.Kf3 e5 44.Ke4 bxa4 45.bxa4 Kc6
46.Kf5 Be3 47.Kxe5 Kc5 48.Ke4 Bf4 49.Kd3 Kb4 50.Kd4 Kxa4 51.Kc4 Bc1
52.Kc3 Kb5 53.Kc2 Bf4 54.Kb3 Kc5 55.Ka4 Bc7 56.Kb3 Kd5 57.Kc3 Ke4 58.Kd2
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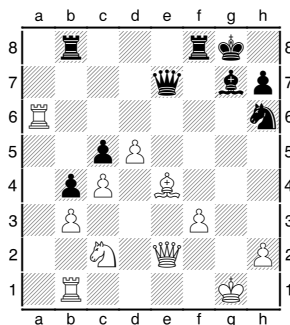
Bedy, Noel (1504) - Rutkofske, Lonnie (1818) [B06] Modern Defense

2018 PHCC Championships Port Huron (6), 22.02.2018 [LWR]

1.d4 g6 2.Nf3 Bg7 3.e4 d6 4.c3 Nd7 5.Bd3 a6 6.Bg5 c5 7.Nbd2 b5 8.0-0 Qb6 9.Be3 Qc7
10.Re1 e5 11.d5 Rb8 12.c4 Ngf6 13.Qe2 Qb7 14.Reb1 Ng4 15.Bg5 f6 16.Bh4 0-0 17.Ne1
Nh6 18.f3 Nf7 19.Bf2 b4 20.Nc2 Nh6 21.Ne3 Nb6 22.b3 Qe7 23.a3 Nd7 24.axb4 cxb4
25.Nc2 Nc5 26.Bxc5 dxc5 27.g4 f5 28.exf5 gxf5 29.gxf5 e4 30.Nxe4 Diagram

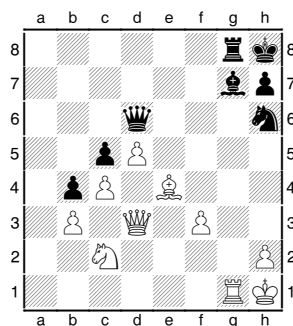


30...Bxf5?? A huge blunder, to be followed by an even greater miscalculation!
30...Nc5! was a winning move because it keeps the threat on the a1 rook, and
threatens Nd4 forcing the N exchange and leaves the Bishop to protect his a pawn!
31.Rxa6 Bxe4?? 32.Bxe4 Diagram



[Best was 31.Bh3 keeping the Queen off of g2 and the KR from posting up at e6!]
32...Rbe8 33.Re6 Qd8 [The best choice in light of the previous miscues...when down
a pair of pawns, it is best to keep the Queen on the board, because the obvious check
at g5 only gets white's Queen in better position.] **34.Rxe8 Rxe8 35.Qf1?** [All of a
sudden White goes into defensive mode...best was 35.Qd3!! shattering the Black
kingside keeping the back rank available for his rook to enter the contest.] **35...Kh8**
[Now you can see that the Q position prevents the rook from accessing g1 to join the
attack and costs a valuable tempo!] **36.Kh1 Qh4 37.Qg2 Rg8 38.Qg3 Qd8 39.Qf2**

[Black must keep the pawns he has left if he entertains any chances of a draw.] **39...Qd6 40.Rg1 Qf8 41.Qd2 Qd6** [42.Ne3 bring his final piece into action was the best choice here for if Bd4, 43. Rg8+ should seal the deal because after N or K takes rook, it can jump to either f1 or f5 or even g4.] **42.Qd3** Diagram



[Better late than never, White finally hits upon the correct plan, albeit a few moves too late!] **42...Qf4 43.Bxh7 Be5!! 44.Rxg8+ Nxg8 45.Qe2** [Had his N been in play the simple N f1 would preserve the piece with everything on the white squares! The rest of the game is simple technique.] **45...Kxh7 46.Qe4+ Kg7 47.Qxf4 Bxf4 48.Kg2 Nf6 49.Ne1 Kg6 50.Nd3 Bd6 51.Nf2 Kf5 52.Nd3 Nh5 53.Kf2 Nf4 54.Nxf4 Kxf4 55.h4 Be5 56.h5 Kg5 57.Ke3 Kxh5 58.f4 Bd6 59.Ke4 Kg6 60.Kd3 Kf5 61.Ke3 Bxf4+ 62.Kd3 Ke5 0-1**

Jones,G. Avery (1630) - Muir,Joshua (1600) [D00] Unusual QP Opening

2018 PHCC Championships Port Huron (7), 01.03.2018

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bf4 d5 3.e3 e6 4.Be2 c5 5.c3 Qb6 6.Qc2 Nc6 7.Nf3 cxd4 8.exd4 Be7 9.0-0 0-0 10.Nbd2 Re8 11.Bd3 g6 12.Rfe1 Bd7 13.h3 Rac8 14.a3 Bf8 15.Be3 Qc7 16.Nf1 Bd6 17.Bg5 Nh5 18.Qd2 e5 19.dxe5 Nxe5 20.Nxe5 Bxe5 21.Be2 Nf4 22.Bxf4 Bxf4 23.Qxd5 Bc6 24.Qc4 Re4 25.Qd3 Rce8 26.Rad1 Ba4 27.Rb1 Qd7 28.Qf3 Bc6 29.Red1 Qe6 30.Bd3 Ra4 31.Qg4 Bh2+ 32.Nxh2 Rxg4 33.Nxg4 Be4 34.Bxe4 Qxe4 35.Nf6+ Kg7 36.Nxe4 Rxe4 37.Re1 Ra4 38.Rbd1 a6 39.Rd4 Ra5 40.Re7 Rb5 41.b4 b6 42.a4 Rf5 43.Rdd7 a5 44.bxa5 bxa5 45.Ra7 h5 46.Reb7 Kg8 47.g4 hxg4 48.hxg4 Rg5 49.f3 Rc5 50.Rxf7 Rxc3 1-0

Rutkofske,Lonnie (1818) - Wingrove,William (1579) [A04] K-I Attack

2018 PHCC Championships Port Huron (7), 01.03.2018

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.g3 Nc6 4.d3 g6 5.Bg2 Bg7 6.c3 e5 7.Nbd2 Nge7 8.0-0 0-0 9.a4 a5 10.Nc4 d5 11.exd5 Nxd5 12.Be3 Nxe3 13.fxe3 Be6 14.Na3 Qe7 15.Qe2 Rfd8 16.Nd2 Bd5 17.e4 Be6 18.Nac4 Ra6 19.Rad1 Qd7 20.Nf3 Qe7 21.Ne3 Rd7 22.Nd2 Qd8 23.Nd5 Ne7 24.c4 Nc6 25.Nb3 b6 26.Rf2 Nd4 27.Nxd4 cxd4 28.Kh1 Bxd5 29.exd5 f6 30.Qc2 Bh6 31.Qb3 Be3 32.Rc2 Kh8 33.Rf1 Rd6 34.Qb5 Ra7 35.Rb1 f5 36.b4 axb4 37.Qxb4 f4 38.g4 Qf6 39.Bf3 Rad7 40.c5 bxc5 41.Qxc5 h5 42.gxh5 gxh5 43.Rg2 Kh7 44.Be4+ Kh8 45.Qc8+ Rd8 46.Qh3 Rf8 47.Rg6 Qxg6 48.Bxg6 Rxg6 49.Qxh5+ Kg7 50.Qxe5+ Rgf6 51.Rb7+ Kg6 52.Qe4+ Rf5 53.Rb6+ R8f6 54.Rxf6+ Kxf6 55.Qe6+ Kg5 56.d6 Kg4 57.d7 f3 58.d8Q f2 59.Qxf5+ Kxf5 60.Kg2 Bg5 61.Qxd4 Bf6 62.Qe4+ Kg5 63.a5 1-0

Morabito,Matt (1848) - Bedy,Noel (1504) [E01] Catalan

2018 PHCC Championships St. Clair (7), 02.03.2018 [Alan]

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.g3 d5 3.Bg2 c6 4.c4 e6 5.b3 Bd6 6.Bb2 Nbd7 7.0-0 0-0 8.Nc3 Re8 9.d4 Qe7 10.Qc2 Ba3 11.Bxa3 Qxa3 12.e4 dxe4 13.Nxe4 Nxe4 14.Qxe4 Nf6 [#] [Relevant: 14...a5 15.Qc2 h6 16.Rfe1 a4 17.Qc3 Rd8 18.c5 b6 19.cxb6 Bb7 20.Ne5 Nxb6 21.Bxc6 Bxc6 22.Qxc6 Nd5 23.Qb7 Qf8 24.Nc6 Rdc8 25.Rec1 Rc7 26.Qb5 Qe8

27.Rc5 axb3 28.a4 b2 29.Rb1 Rac8 30.Na5 Qxb5 31.axb5 Rxc5 32.dxc5 Rxc5 33.Rxb2 Nb6 34.Nc6 f6 35.Nd4 e5 36.Nf5 e4 37.Nd4 Rd5 38.Rb4 f5 39.h4 g6 40.h5 g5 41.Kg2 Kf7 42.g4 fxg4 43.Kg3 Kf6 44.Kxg4 Bachmann,A (2649)-Gonzalez Rodriguez,J (2310) Barcelona 2016 1-0 (67)] **15.Qh4** [Predecessor: 15.Qe3 Bd7 16.Ne5 Rad8 17.c5 Qa5 18.Nc4 Qc7 19.Qe5 Qxe5 20.dxe5 Nd5 21.Nd6 Re7 22.Nxb7 Rb8 23.Nd6 f6 24.Rfe1 Kf8 25.Be4 Be8 26.exf6 gxf6 27.f4 Bh5 28.Rac1 Rb4 29.Kf2 Rd4 30.Kg1 Rd2 31.Rc2 Rxc2 32.Bxc2 Nc3 33.Ne4 Bg6 34.Nxc3 Bxc2 35.Re2 Bg6 36.Rd2 Rc7 37.Kf2 Ke7 38.Ke3 e5 39.Ne4 Bf7 40.Rd6 Be6 41.fxe5 fxe5 42.Ng5 Bf5 43.Nf3 1-0 (43) Bluebaum,M (2510)-Sukandar,I (2375) Pardubice 2014] **15...Qe7 16.Rfe1 Qd8 17.Rad1 h6 18.Ne5 Bd7 19.d5** weak [19.Qf4] **19...exd5 20.cxd5 Qa5** [20...Nxd5 21.Bxd5 cxd5 22.Qxd8 Raxd8 23.Rxd5 Bh3; 20...cxd5 21.Qd4 Be6] **21.b4 Qxa2** [21...Qa6 22.Bf1 Qa4] **22.dxc6** [22.Nxd7 Nxd5 (22...Nxd7 23.dxc6 Rxe1+ 24.Rxe1 bxc6 25.Bxc6) 23.Bxd5 Rxe1+ 24.Rxe1 Qxd5 25.Qe7] **22...Bxc6 23.Nxc6 Rxe1+ 24.Rxe1 bxc6 25.Bxc6= Rd8 26.Qf4 Qd2?** [26...Qb3 27.Bf3 Nd5 28.Qe4 Nf6] **27.Qxd2 Rxd2 28.h3** [28.Ra1 Ng4 29.b5 Nxf2 30.Rxa7 Nh3+ 31.Kf1 Rf2+ 32.Ke1 Rb2 33.Ra6 Kf8 34.b6 Nf2 35.b7 Nd3+ 36.Kf1 Ne5 37.Ra8+ Ke7 38.b8Q Rxb8 39.Rxb8 Nxc6 40.Ra8] **28...Rc2 29.b5 a6 30.Ra1 axb5 31.Ra8+ Kh7 32.Bxb5** [#] this position is totally drawn but Matt keeps playing and hoping **32...g6 33.Ra7 Kg7 34.Bd3 Rc3 35.Bb5 Rc5 36.Ba4 Rc3 37.Rb7 Rc8 38.Bb3 Rf8 39.Kg2** [#] now Noel starts moving the knight all over the place with no real plan just h4 then the knight can move between g8-h6 (to cover f7 and free the rook or back to f6 **39...Ne4 40.Bd5 Nd6 41.Ra7 Ne8 42.Bb3 Nf6 43.Re7 Ne8?** [43...Ng8] **44.Bxf7 Rxf7 45.Rxe8 Rb7 46.Re6 Kf7 47.Rc6 Rb3** [47...h5] **48.h4 Kg7 49.g4 Ra3** [49...h5 50.gxh5 gxh5; 49...Rb7] **50.Rc7+ Kf6** the losing move [50...Kg8; 50...Kh8] **51.Rh7 Ra4 52.Kg3 Ra3+ 53.f3 h5 54.g5+** now matt gives up the advantage [54.gxh5 gxh5 55.Rh6+ Kf7 56.Rxh5] **54...Ke5 55.Re7+** [#] **55...Kf5??** the final mistake [55...Kd5+ 56.Rb7 (56.Rc7 Ra1) 56...Ra6] **56.Rf7+ Ke5 57.Rf6 1-0**

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 Challenge matches with longer time controls of G/60 with 5 sec delay can choose to play match games if they so desire. Participants will be required to follow the rules and regulations for **Challenge Play** (As outlined in Chess Chatter, our website under "Club Member Ratings Lists", or posted at the club.) 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*.

2018 Events Schedule:

March - No tournaments

April 19th; May,17th; June 21st - USCF/PHCC Rated Action Quads (or Mini-Swiss depending on registration) G/25 with 3 sec. delay EF: \$5.00 ...Prizes based on entries. A minimum of 4 participants will be necessary to hold the event. Please contact Lon via phone or email if you plan to register! A minimum of 4 participants will be necessary to hold the event. Please contact Lon via phone or email if you plan to register. Onsite registration 6:30-7:00PM - Play begins at 7:00 PM. Prizes: if Quad: 1st = \$15; if Mini-Swiss: Based on entries! (Recording games is optional, for players that wish to keep score, neither player is required to keep score if either has 5 minutes or less on their clock.)

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. United States Chess Federation memberships are available through the club. **The following memberships have expired: Room, Eric; West, Tony; Lahr, Fred; Liam and Don Best; Oriel, Paul; Webb, Austin; Nowiski, Adam; Albany, Ethan.**

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 3/3/18

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Morris, Jason	2041
Gregg, Alan	1987
Rutkofske, Lon	1878
Wilkinson, Stu	1866
Morabito, Matt	1859
Jones, G. Avery	1782
Urick, Ryan	1700
Wingrove, Bill	1641
Muir, Josh	1567
Boucher, Dave	1565
Bedy, Noel	1518
Beneker, Gerrit	1380
Carey, Jay	1000

USCF Ratings as of 3/3/18

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Morris, Jason	2041
Gregg, Alan	1985
Wilkinson, Stu	1844
Rutkofske, Lon	1820
Morabito, Matt	1793
Jones, G. Avery	1687
Wingrove, Bill	1593
Muir, Joshua	1577P14
Bedy, Noel	1450
Boucher, Dave	1422

PHCC Speed Ratings as of 3/3/18

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Morris, Jason	2070
Gregg, Alan	1968
Wilkinson, Stu	1938
Urick, Ryan	1874
Rutkofske, Lon	1775
Morabito, Matt	1794
Muir, Josh	1599
Jones, G. Avery	1587
Wingrove, Bill	1548
Bedy, Noel	1529
Beneker Gerrit	1287
Carey, Jay	1000

Needed: PHCC volunteers for the PHASD/Phil Willard Memorial Tournament on March 24th

Once again the Evon Rodriguez has asked for PHCC to volunteer and lend support and expertise to this year's 22nd tournament. Please let Lon know if you can attend and help. We would need to be there by 8:00 am on Saturday morning. See the flyer on the final page of this issue!

Phil Willard Memorial Chess Tournament



Saturday, March 24, 2018

8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Port Huron High School Cafeteria

Registration will take place from 8:00 to 8:30 a.m.

NO LATE REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED

5 Round Tournament

Round 1 - 9:00 a.m.

Round 2 - 9:45 a.m.

Round 3 - 10:30 a.m.

Round 4 - 11:15 a.m.

Round 5 - 12:00 p.m.

Tournament and trophy presentation will conclude by 1:00 p.m.

**Open Tournament—FREE to all students currently attending
Port Huron Schools in grades Kindergarten through 12th
Time limit 15 minutes per player per round (Game in 30 minutes)**

Prizes will be awarded according to the following grade classifications:

K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

**(Grade classifications without a minimum of 6 players will be paired
in the next highest grade classification)**

CHESS SETS WILL BE PROVIDED

- ◆ Parents are responsible for the transportation and supervision of their children.
- ◆ Participants may bring their own refreshments.
- ◆ Concessions will not be available for purchase.