



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>

Muir, Rutkofske test the waters at the MI Amateur

Both **Josh Muir** (See pictures on pg. 8) and **Lon Rutkofske**, with dreams of resurrecting the glory of his 1982 victory, came away with three points apiece while vying for the plentiful pieces of hardware up for grabs at the **2019 Michigan Amateur Championships** hosted by the **Michigan Chess Association** in Lansing the weekend of June 8th & 9th. Josh by far had the toughest row to hoe ending up butting heads with three of the top 5 finishers. Lon, on the other hand, took a third round bye in order to facilitate his choice to travel to and from the tournament site each day hoping to maintain the endurance required to survive the “torture” that playing three rounds in a day would inevitably inflict.

Though attendance was down from the 2018 rendition, the results largely remained status quo, as **Stan Jarosz** of Grand Rapids claimed his second consecutive title, taking home the trophy as the top Michigan performer, although tied with **Mikhail Korenman** from Illinois. Lon placed 12th and Josh notched a 19th place showing among the 55 combatants. There were a number of upsets as is usually the case in these sorts of events with the vast majority of participants well below a 1700 rating threshold.

Lon especially enjoyed a bit of adulation for his efforts as the new editor of **Michigan Chess Magazine**, as evidenced by a hearty round of applause in his honor prefacing the commencement of the first round. I have included the games that Josh and I recorded in the **Members’ Games section**.

“Ancient Ones” take home the bacon in June 20th Mini-Swiss

Seven intrepid club members participated in the USCF rated Mini-Swiss hosted at the club on June 20th. The finale of these G/25 Action/Quick events will be held on July 18th, with the pairing format (Swiss or Quad) that best promotes the competitive equality of play and access to the prize money. Please review the 2019 Events Schedule for a complete description of this final opportunity for the summer.

On that note, it seems that this report should have been entitled: “Geezers Grab the Gold”, or perhaps “Senility Steals the Schillings!” because the most senior club members took home the prize money with **Alan Gregg**, freshly returned from his UK trip and **Lon** splitting up the first place spoils and **Bill Wingrove** claiming the U1600 cash. Hopefully, the final round of these Action events will feature some fresh, determined faces with designs intended to upend the establishment!

2019 June G/25 Mini-Swiss

#	Name	Rtng	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Tot
1	Alan Gregg	1899	W4	W7	D2	2.5
2	Lonnie Rutkofske	1790	W5	W3	D1	2.5
3	Joshua C. Muir	1616	W6	L2	W7	2.0
4	William Wingrove	1496	L1	W5	W6	2.0
5	Brandon Byrne	1245	L2	L4	B---	1.0
6	Jay DeFoy	1111	L3	B---	L4	1.0
7	Joshua Kenny	1105	B---	L1	L3	1.0

Bruziewicz pitches a match with the newly formed Sarnia Chess Club!

Sarnia’s resident alderman, and PHCC’s highest rated player, has been very busy this spring in an attempt to resurrect the Sarnia Chess Club, and chess in general in his home town. Andy approached me with a provocative and intriguing proposal in a series of emails, that I share with you below, and am asking that you give me your feedback via email with your reactions within the next week or so. Without further adieu:.... “Heressss Andy”:

On Thursday, June 20, 2019, andy bruziewicz <andybruziewicz@hotmail.com> wrote:

Good morning Lonnie

We are at the last stretch of the Team Sarnia Qualifier for the match with Port Huron (28 rounds RR). We have had a reasonable interest. Would it be possible to increase the number of the boards to say 8 or 10?

I am leading with 21 out of 22 (draws with Naomi Tominaga and Gerry Crowley) . Second is Shardool Maskar, third Malcolm Carr , fourth Naomi Tominaga etc. The tournament is expected to be finished by the end of June or first week of July.

When and where would you like to have the first leg of the Double Derby?

Cheers!

Andy Bruziewicz

From: pthuronchessclub@aol.com <pthuronchessclub@aol.com>

Sent: June 20, 2019 2:07 PM

To: andybruziewicz@hotmail.com

Andy,

I am sure we can round up a crew of at least 10 players...best time for us might be the last week of June... give me a couple of dates! We can play a home and home for sure depending on who has passports or enhanced drivers licenses.

Lon

On Friday, June 21, 2019, andy bruziewicz <andybruziewicz@hotmail.com> wrote:

Good morning Lonnie,

Marvelous! Let's settle on 10. This will give a chance to some of our younger players to make the team. We have some of them as young as 9 years old dropping by. Some of them are playing in Team Sarnia Qualifier but are not scoring very well so far. With 10 boards and the passport issue (Sam Carr for example, cannot play in Port Huron) some may make it to the match .

Unfortunately, we are not going to be able to finish our Qualifier by the end of June. We have some still to play 10 games to the finish line (I need 6 more myself). Dates are simple. Tuesdays for Sarnia Chess Club meeting days (It started on Thursdays , but was changed when I pointed out the conflict with PHCC) , and Thursdays for PHCC. We need to give reasonable notice so players can arrange their personal lives accordingly.

What do you think about the idea of Membership Exchange (members in one club would be offered free membership in the other club).?

We are getting some traction with the local media. One of them had a huge front page (!) colour picture (Headline was "CHESS CLUB GROWS" followed by a large story inside. You can see that on the facebook page of Sarnia Chess Club / Club d'echec de Sarnia . The page already has 260 likes including some from GM s and IMs (such as IM Lawrence Day and GM Vladimir Tukmakov) . I am posting some "light chess" stuff (like a video of WGMs Alexandra Kosteniuk and Almira Skripchenko singing a karoake duet). We also got nice presence on the local radio station one day . That's due to personal connection due to the fact that the originator of the Club (Andre Desrocher is the sun of Patrick Desrocher (former NHL player turn real estate agent and commentator on some of Sarnia Sting games.

Cheers, Andy Bruziewicz

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 a reminder of the change in policy in the PHCC Challenge rules: # 14 - Games can be rated by the USCF, provided both players are members in good standing with the USCF and agree to have it rated by paying in advance to the TD (Lon Rutkofske, or other club official with a valid TD certification card.) of \$1.50@ to cover rating costs.] Updated Challenge rules will follow below:

Format and rules for PHCC Challenge System

- I. Purpose: to provide club members the opportunity to challenge higher rated players on a regular basis to improve and test their skills in over the board non-tournament competition.
- II. Regulations: (Effective 11-8-2018)
 - a. Challenges may be made by any club member on the PHCC rating list under the following circumstances:
 1. Can only be made only by a lower rated player.
 2. Can only be made during club hours and cannot be made after 8:00PM.
 3. Must be played on the same day as the challenge was made, so there can be no advanced challenges.
 4. Both players must be present.
 5. Only one challenge may be made per meeting.
 6. Challenger can only challenge a player that is rated less than 400 points above him on the rating list.
 7. All challenges must be accepted.
 8. No challenge may be made while a participant is involved in a tournament or challenge game.
 9. A clock must be used with the time control of G/60 with 5 second delay; must be recorded by both players and submitted to the rating director upon completion of the game. (**See Sample Score Sheet on page 2**)
 10. All challenge games must comply with current tournament rules of chess as established by the US Chess Federation.
 11. No challenge game may be adjourned, but if an unusual circumstance arises, the club rating director may adjudicate.
 12. No member may be challenged more than one consecutive time by the same challenger. This means that the lower rated player cannot challenge the same player two times in a row. He/she must play another match before this can take place, but this also means that the higher rated player may be challenged by the same rated player consecutively if he has not participated in a match in between challenges within a six week period. Abuse (ie: Constant challenges and re-challenges or other annoying or inconsiderate behavior) must be reported to the Director and he has the option of suspending the violator indefinitely from participation in the Challenge system. Disputes will be adjudicated by the ratings director, with the advice of other players as he so wishes.
 13. Challenges can take place on the first Thursday of each month, or at any time there is no other tournament or event scheduled.
 14. **Games can be rated by the USCF**, provided both players are members in good standing with the USCF and agree to have it rated by paying in advance to the TD (Lon Rutkofske, or other club official with a valid TD certification card.) of \$1.50@ to cover rating costs.
 15. Results will be rated by the PHCC (Using the USCF rating system.) using current PHCC ratings posted at the club and will be adjusted as necessary by the club rating director. Changes will also be posted on the club website.

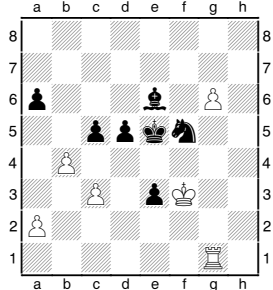
Wingrove, William (1496) - Rutkofske, Lonnie (1790) [B34]

Sicilian Defense :Accelerated Dragon

Skittles - G/25 3 sec delay Port Huron Chess Club,

06.06.2019

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 g6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Be3 Bg7
7.Bc4 e6 8.0-0 Nge7 9.Qd2 Ne5 10.Bb3 Ng4 11.Bg5 h6
12.Bh4 Qb6 13.Rad1 Nc6 14.Nxc6 bxc6 15.Kh1 0-0 16.h3
Nf6 17.Rfe1 g5 18.Bg3 Ne8 19.f4 Qa5 20.fgx5 hxg5 21.e5
Rb8 22.Qxg5 f6 23.Qe3 f5 24.Bf4 Rb4 25.Qg3 Rf7 26.Qe3
Qb6 27.Qd2 Qa5 28.Qf2 Qb6 29.Qxb6 Rxb6 30.Ne2 Kh7
31.g4 fxg4 32.hxg4 Kg6 33.Kg2 Rb4 34.Kg3 Re4 35.c3 Bxe5
36.Bxe5 Rxe5 37.Nf4+ Kf6 38.Rf1 Re3+ 39.Kg2 Kg7
40.Nh5+ Kg8 41.Rxf7 Kxf7 42.Rf1+ Ke7 43.Bc2 d5 44.Nf4
Nd6 45.Ng6+ Kd8 46.Rf8+ Kc7 47.Kf2 Rh3 48.Nf4 Rh2+
49.Ng2 e5 50.Kg1 Rh3 51.Rg8 Rg3 52.Rg7+ Kb6 53.Rg6
Nc4 54.Kf2 Rxxg2+ 55.Kxg2 Ne3+ 56.Kg3 Nxc2 57.Rg8 Bd7
58.g5 e4 59.Rd8 Kc7 60.Rh8 Ne3 61.Rh7 Kd6 62.g6 Nf5+
63.Kf2 e3+ 64.Kf3 c5 65.Rh1 Ke5 66.Rg1 Be6 67.b4



67...cxb4 68.cxb4 d4 69.Ke2 Bc4+ 70.Ke1 Kf6 71.a4 Kg7
72.Rg5 Bd3 73.b5 axb5 74.axb5 Nd6 75.b6 Ba6 76.Rd5 d3
77.Rxd6 d2+ 78.Kd1 Bc8 [White lost on time.] 0-1

DeFoy, Jay (1111) - Rutkofske, Lonnie (1790) [A04] K-I
Attack

Skittles - G/25 3 sec delay Port Huron Chess Club,
06.06.2019

1.Nf3 b6 2.g3 Bb7 3.Bg2 e5 4.d3 d6 5.Nbd2 Nd7 6.0-0 Be7
7.c4 Ngf6 8.Nh4 Bxg2 9.Kxg2 0-0 10.Nf5 d5 11.cxd5 Nxd5
12.Ne4 N7f6 13.Qb3 Bb4 14.Bg5 Be7 15.Nxe7+ Qxe7
16.Nxf6+ Nxf6 17.Qd5 Nxd5 18.Bxe7 Nxe7 0-1

Rutkofske, Lonnie (1890) - DeFoy, Jay (1111) [C01] French
Defense: Exchange Variation

Skittles - G/25 3 sec delay Port Huron Chess Club, 2019

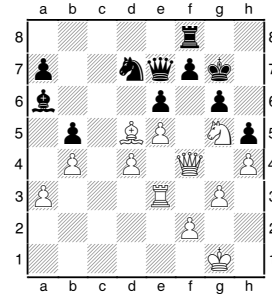
1.e4 Nc6 2.d4 e6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 b5 5.Bb3 Bb7 6.c3 Nf6
7.Bc2 Ne7 8.Nd2 d5 9.e5 Ne4 10.Ndf3 Nf5 11.Nh3 Be7
12.0-0 Nh4 13.Nxh4 Bxh4 14.f3 Ng5 15.Nxg5 Bxg5 16.f4
Bh4 17.g3 Be7 18.h4 Bxh4 19.gxh4 Qxh4 20.Qf3 0-0-0
21.a4 bxa4 22.Rxa4 Bc6 23.Rxa6 Bb5 24.Ra5 Bxf1 25.Qxf1
Qg3+ 26.Kh1 Qh4+ 27.Kg2 Qg4+ 28.Kf2 h5 29.Ke1 h4
30.Qa6+ Kd7 31.Qf1 Ra8 32.Qb5+ Ke7 33.Qc5+ Kd7
34.Ba4+ Kd8 35.Rxa8# 1-0

Bradfield, Kenneth (1395) - Rutkofske, Lonnie (1804) [A08]
K-I Attack

2019 MI Amateur - U2000 Lansing, MI (1), 08.06.2019

1.e4 e6 2.d3 b6 3.g3 Bb7 4.Bg2 d5 5.Nd2 Nd7 6.Ngf3 c5
7.0-0 Ne7 8.Re1 g6 9.c3 Bg7 10.e5 0-0 11.d4 Nc6 12.Nf1
cxd4 13.cxd4 Rc8 14.Bf4 Ba6 15.a3 b5 16.h4 Qb6 17.b4
Ne7 18.Rc1 h5 19.Qd2 Nf5 20.Ne3 Nxe3 21.Rxc8 Rxc8

22.Qxe3 Qd8 23.Bh6 Nb6 24.Qf4 Nd7 25.Bxg7 Kxg7
26.Ng5 Qe7 27.Re3! Rf8 28.Bxd5! [Diagram]



28...exd5 29.e6 Nf6 [0.51/22] 30.exf7 [30.Qe5 0.55/26
Bb7 0.68/32] 30...Ne4 31.f3 Qf6 32.fxe4 Qxf4 33.gxf4 Rc8
34.f8Q+ Kxf8 35.Ne6+ Kf7 36.Nc5 Rc6 37.Nxa6 Rxa6 38.e5
Ke6 39.Kg2 Kf5 40.e6 Rxe6 41.Re5+ Kf6 42.Rxd5 Ra6
43.Rxb5 Rxa3 44.Ra5 Rb3 45.Rxa7 Rxb4 46.d5 Rxf4
47.Ra6+ Ke7 48.Rxg6 Rxh4 ½-½

Muir, Joshua (1603) - Sun, Terrian (794) [C26] Vienna
Game

2019 MI Amateur - U2000 Lansing, MI (1), 08.06.2019

1.e4 e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.g3 g5 4.d3 Nc6 5.Bxg5 Bc5 6.Nd5 Be7
7.Nxe7 Qxe7 8.c3 d6 9.Qf3 Bg4 10.Qxf6 Qxf6 11.Bxf6 Rg8
12.Be2 Be6 13.Nf3 Bg4 14.d4 Rg6 15.dxe5 dxe5 16.Nxe5
Nxe5 17.Bxe5 Bxe2 18.Kxe2 0-0-0 19.Rad1 Re8 20.Bf4
Rxe4+ 21.Kf3 Ra4 22.a3 Raa6 23.Rd2 Rad6 24.Bxd6 cxd6
25.Re1 Rf6+ 26.Kg2 Kc7 27.Re7+ Kc6 28.f4 h5 29.Rd4 Rf5
30.Rc4+ Kb5 31.Rb4+ Kc6 32.Rbxb7 f6 33.c4 a6 34.Rec7#
1-0

Rutkofske, Lonnie (1804) - Randon, Daniel (1160) [A13]
English Opening

2019 MI Amateur - U2000 Lansing, MI (2), 08.06.2019

1.c4 e6 2.g3 d5 3.Bg2 Nf6 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.b3 Be7 6.0-0 0-0
7.Bb2 b6 8.d4 Bb7 9.Re1 Nb8 10.Qc2 c5 11.Nbd2 Nbd7
12.e4 dxe4 13.Ng5 cxd4 14.Ndx4 e5 15.Nxf6+ Nxf6
16.Bxb7 Rb8 17.Bg2 h6 18.Ne4 Nxe4 19.Qxe4 Qd6
20.Qxe5 Qxe5 21.Rxe5 Bf6 22.Rd5 Rbd8 23.Rd1 Rfe8
24.Bxd4 Bxd4 25.R1xd4 Rxd5 26.Bxd5 Re2 27.a4 Rb2
28.Rd3 Kf8 29.Re3 g5 30.h3 Kg7 31.Re7 Rxb3 32.Rxf7+
Kg6 33.Rxa7 Rb4 34.g4 h5 35.Ra6 hxg4 36.hxg4 Kf6 37.a5
Ke7 38.Rxb6 Rxb6 39.axb6 Kd7 40.f4 gxf4 41.g5 f3 42.g6
f2+ 43.Kxf2 Ke7 44.b7 Kf6 45.Bf7 Kg7 46.b8Q Kf6 47.Qf4+
Ke7 48.Bd5 Kd7 49.Qe5 Kd8 50.Qg7 Kc8 51.Qe7 Kb8
52.Qb7# 1-0

Chen, Megan (1756) - Muir, Joshua (1603) [B21] Sicilian
Defense-Morra Gambit

2019 MI Amateur - U2000 Lansing, MI (2), 08.06.2019

1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.c3 d5 4.exd5 dxc3 5.Nxc3 Nf6 6.Bb5+
Bd7 7.Nf3 Bxb5 8.Nxb5 Qa5+ 9.Nc3 Nbd7 10.0-0 Nb6
11.d6 e6 12.Bf4 Rd8 13.Rc1 Nbd5 14.Nxd5 Nxd5 15.Bg5 f6
16.Bd2 Qb6 17.d7+ Kf7 18.Rc8 Be7 19.Qc2 Qd6 20.Nd4
Qxd7 21.Rxd8 Rxd8 22.Re1 Nf4 23.Bxf4 Qxd4 24.Qe2 Qd5
25.a3 Bc5 26.Rc1 Bd4 27.Rc7+ Kg8 28.Qg4 f5 29.Qh5 Be5
30.Qf7+ Kh8 31.g3 Bxc7 32.Qxc7 Qd7 33.Qe5 Qc6 34.Qe2
[White loses on time] 0-1

Woods, Charissa (1755) - Muir,Joshua (1603) [B23] Sicilian Defense

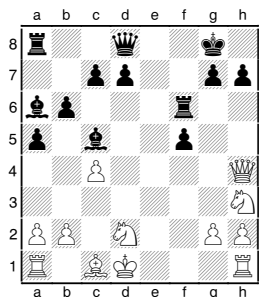
2019 MI Amateur - U2000 Lansing, MI (3), 08.06.2019
1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 e6 4.Bg2 Nge7 5.Nge2 d5 6.exd5 exd5 7.Nf4 d4 8.Ne4 Ng6 9.d3 Be7 10.0-0 Bf5 11.Nd5 0-0 12.Re1 Kh8 13.Nxe7 Qxe7 14.Ng5 Qd7 15.Qh5 h6 16.Nh3 Bg4 17.Bxc6 bxc6 18.Qxc5 Bxh3 19.Re4 Rfe8 20.Bd2 Rxe4 21.dxe4 Qg4 22.Qf5 Qxf5 23.exf5 Bxf5 24.f3 Bxc2 25.Rc1 d3 26.Bc3 Rd8 27.Bd2 Ne5 28.Kf2 Nc4 29.Bc3 d2 30.Bxd2 Rxd2+ 31.Kg1 Nxb2 32.Re1 Rd1 33.Kf2 Nd3+ 0-1

Bailey, Gregory (1900) - Muir, Joshua (1603) [A02] Bird's Opening

2019 MI Amateur - U2000 Lansing, MI (4), 09.06.2019
1.f4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.b3 Nf6 4.e3 d5 5.d3 Qc7 6.Bb2 g6 7.c4 d4 8.exd4 cxd4 9.g3 Bg4 10.Nbd2 Bg7 11.Be2 Bxf3 12.Bxf3 0-0 13.0-0 Rad8 14.Ne4 Nd7 15.Qd2 e5 16.fxe5 Ndx5 17.Be2 Qe7 18.a4 Rfe8 19.Ba3 Qc7 20.Nf6+ Bxf6 21.Rxf6 Ne7 22.Bxe7 Qxe7 23.Rf2 Rf8 24.b4 a6 25.b5 Rb8 26.h3 Qd6 27.Kh2 f5 28.Qf4 Rfd8 29.Bf1 Qf6 30.Re1 Re8 31.Rfe2 Nxd3 32.Rxe8+ Rxe8 33.Rxe8+ Kf7 34.Qb8 Qg5 35.Bxd3 Qd2+ 36.Re2 Qxd3 37.Qxb7+ Kf8 38.Qc8+ Kg7 39.Qc7+ Kh6 40.Qf4+ Kg7 41.Re7+ Kf6 42.Qe5+ Kg5 43.h4+ 1-0

Holden, Anthony (1636) - Rutkofske, Lonnie (1804) [A40] Unusual QP Opening

2019 MI Amateur - U2000 Lansing, MI (4), 09.06.2019
1.d4 e6 2.e3 b6 3.Bd3 Bb7 4.f3 f5 5.Nd2 Nf6 6.c3 Be7 7.Nh3 a5 8.e4 fxe4 9.fxe4 0-0 10.Qe2 Ba6 11.c4 Nc6 12.e5 Nxd4 13.Qf2 Bc5 14.Qh4 Nf5 15.Bxf5 exf5 16.exf6 Rxf6 17.Kd1



17...d5 18.b4 dxc4 19.bxc5 c3 20.cxb6 cxb6 21.Ng5 h6 22.Ngf3 Qd3 23.Qa4 c2+ 24.Qxc2 Qe2# 0-1

Rutkofske, Lonnie (1804) - Chen, Megan (1756) [A23] English Opening

2019 MI Amateur - U2000 Lansing, MI (5), 09.06.2019
1.c4 e5 2.e4 Nf6 3.Nc3 c6 4.g3 d5 5.exd5 cxd5 6.Bg2 dxc4 7.Qa4+ Bd7 8.Qxc4 Nc6 9.Nge2 Rc8 10.0-0 Be7 11.Nd5 Nd4 12.Nxf6+ Bxf6 13.Qd3 Bb5 14.Qxb5+ Nxb5 15.Bxb7 Rc7 16.Bg2 0-0 17.Nc3 Nxc3 18.dxc3 Rd7 19.Be3 Be7 20.Be4 Bc5 21.Bc1 Rd6 22.Bc2 h6 23.a4 Rf6 24.Be4 a5 25.Kg2 Be3 26.Kh3 Bxc1 27.Raxc1 Rd6 28.c4 Qd7+ 29.g4 Qxa4 30.c5 Rd4 31.Bc2 Qb4 32.c6 Rc4 33.c7 Rc8 34.Bf5 R8xc7 35.Rcd1 Rd4 36.Rde1 f6 37.Be6+ Kf8 0-1

Randon, Daniel (1160) - Muir, Joshua (1603) [B12] Slav Defense

2019 MI Amateur - U2000 Lansing, MI (5), 09.06.2019
1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Nf3 Bf5 5.e3 e6 6.Bd3 Bg6 7.0-0 Bd6 8.Re1 Nbd7 9.e4 dxe4 10.Nxe4 Nxe4 11.Bxe4

Bxe4 12.Rxe4 Nf6 13.Re1 h6 14.Bd2 0-0 15.Rc1 Qc7 16.b4 Rfd8 17.Qc2 b6 18.c5 bxc5 19.bxc5 Be7 20.Qa4 Rdc8 21.Ne5 Bd8 22.Rb1 Nd7 23.Bf4 Nxe5 24.Bxe5 Qd7 25.Rb2 Bc7 26.Rb7 Qd8 27.Bxc7 Rxc7 28.Reb1 e5 29.dxe5 Rxb7 30.Rxb7 Qd5 31.h3 Qxc5 32.Rc7 Qb5 33.Qxb5 cxb5 34.Rb7 a6 35.Kf1 Rc8 36.g3 Rc6 37.Ra7 f6 38.exf6 Rxf6 39.Ke2 Rd6 40.Ke3 Kh7 41.h4 Kg6 42.Ke4 Kf6 43.Kf4 Rd4+ 44.Ke3 Ra4 45.Kd3 Rxa2 46.Kd4 g6 47.Kc5 Kf5 48.f3 g5 49.hxg5 hxg5 50.Kb6 b4 51.Kc5 a5 52.Rb7 a4 53.Rxb4 Ra1 54.Kb5 a3 55.Ra4 a2 56.Kb4 Rb1+ 57.Ka3 a1Q# 0-1

Rutkofske, Lonnie (1790) - Byrne, Brandon (1245) [A47] Colle Opening: London System

2019 PHCC June G/25 Mini-Swiss Port Huron, MI (1), 20.06.2019
1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.e3 b6 4.Be2 Bb7 5.Nbd2 c5 6.c3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Be7 8.0-0 0-0 9.a3 Nc6 10.Re1 Re8 11.Bd3 h6 12.e4 Nh7 13.Nb3 Ng5 14.Nxg5 Bxg5 15.f4 Be7 16.Re3 Qc7 17.Qg4 Bf8 18.Rh3 Kh8 19.Bd2 e5 20.fxe5 d6 21.exd6 Qxd6 22.e5 Qe6 23.Bf5 Qd5 24.Be4 Qe6 25.Rg3 Qxg4 26.Rxg4 Rad8 27.Bc3 Na5 28.Nxa5 Bxe4 29.Rxe4 bxa5 30.Bxa5 Rd5 31.Bc3 Bd6 32.Rf4 Bc7 33.Rxf7 1-0

Muir, Joshua (1616) - Rutkofske, Lonnie (1790) [B10] Caro-Kann

2019 PHCC June G/25 Mini-Swiss Port Huron, MI (2), 29.06.0109
1.e4 e6 2.c4 c6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Nf3 Ne7 5.d4 d5 6.e5 c5 7.Bd3 cxd4 8.Nxd4 Nbc6 9.Nf3 dxc4 10.Bxc4 Qxd1+ 11.Kxd1 0-0 12.Ne4 Na5 13.Bd3 Rd8 14.Ke2 Nf5 15.Bg5 Rd5 16.a3 Bf8 17.b4 Nb3 18.Rad1 Nbd4+ 19.Nxd4 Nxd4+ 20.Ke3 Nf5+ 21.Ke2 Rxe5 22.f4 Rd5 23.h4 b5 24.Nc3 Ng3+ 25.Ke3 Rxd3+ 26.Kxd3 Nxb1 27.Rxb1 Bb7 28.h5 f6 29.Bh4 Rd8+ 30.Ke3 a6 31.Rg1 a5 32.Nxb5 axb4 33.axb4 Bxb4 34.Bf2 Bd2+ 35.Ke2 Ba6 36.Rd1 Bxb5+ 37.Kf3 Ba5 38.Rg1 Rd3+ 39.Kg4 f5+ 0-1

Byrne, Brandon (1245) - Wingrove, William (1496) [A03] Bird's Opening

2019 PHCC June G/25 Mini-Swiss Port Huron, MI (2), 22.06.2019
1.b3 d5 2.Bb2 Nc6 3.f4 f6 4.Nf3 Bg4 5.e3 Bxf3 6.Qxf3 e5 7.fxe5 fxe5 8.Bb5 Qd6 9.Bxc6+ bxc6 10.Qh5+ Qg6 11.Qxg6+ hxg6 12.Bxe5 Kd7 13.Nc3 Rh5 14.Bg3 Nf6 15.Ne2 Ne4 16.Nf4 Nxg3 17.Nxh5 Nxh5 18.0-0 Nf6 19.d3 Bd6 20.Rae1 Re8 21.c3 Ng4 22.Rf7+ Re7 23.Rxe7+ Kxe7 24.e4 Kd7 25.h3 Nh6 26.exd5 cxd5 27.g4 Bf4 28.c4 dxc4 29.dxc4 Bd6 30.Rd1 Kc6 31.Kf2 Nf7 32.Ke3 Bc5+ 33.Ke4 Ng5+ 34.Kf4 Nxb3+ 35.Kg3 Ng5 36.Rf1 Bd6+ 37.Kh4 Ne4 38.Rf7 g5+ 39.Kh5 Kc5 40.Rxg7 Kd4 [Black went on to win the ending] 0-1

Gregg, Alan (1899) - Kenny, Joshua (1105) QP Game

2019 PHCC June G/25 Mini-Swiss Port Huron, MI (2), 22.06.2019
1.d4 d5 2.Bf4 Nf6 3.Nd2 e6 4.e3 Bd6 5.Bg3 Bxg3 6.hxg3 Nbd7 7.Ngf3 b6 8.Bd3 Bb7 9.c3 Qe7 10.Qe2 0-0-0 11.a4 a5 12.Ba6 Nb8 13.Bxb7+ Kxb7 14.Ne5 Nbd7 15.Nd3 e5 16.dxe5 Nxe5 17.Nxe5 Qxe5 18.Nf3 Qf5 19.Nd4 Qg4 20.Qf3 h5 21.Rh4 Qxf3 22.gxf3 g6 23.Ke2 Nd7 24.b4 c5 25.Nb5 Ne5 26.bxa5 bxa5 27.Rb1 Rb8 28.Rhh1 f5 [Black loses on time.] 1-0

Kenny,Joshua (1105) - Muir,Joshua (1616) [A46]
Colle,London,Torre Systems
2019 PHCC June G/25 Mini-Swiss Port Huron, MI (3),
22.06.2019

1.d4 e6 2.Bf4 c5 3.e3 Nc6 4.Nf3 Nf6 5.h3 d5 6.Bb5 Bd7
7.Nbd2 Qb6 8.Bxc6 bxc6 9.Rb1 cxd4 10.exd4 c5 11.Be3
Bb5 12.b3 Bd6 13.c4 Bc6 14.0-0 0-0 15.Qc2 Rac8 16.b4
Qc7 17.bxc5 Be7 18.Ne5 dxc4 19.Ndxc4 Be4 20.Nd3 Nd5
21.f3 Bg6 22.Qd2 Rfd8 23.Nce5 Nxe3 24.Qxe3 Bxd3
25.Nxd3 Qd7 26.Rb4 Bxc5 27.Nxc5 Qd5 28.Qe4 Qxa2
29.Qb1 Qd2 30.Rf2 Qe3 31.Qb3 [White lost on time] 0-1

Rutkofske,Lonnie (1790) - Gregg,Alan (1899) [D02] QP
Game

2019 PHCC June G/25 Mini-Swiss Port Huron, MI (3),
20.06.2019

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Bf4 e6 4.e3 Bd6 5.Bxd6 Qxd6 6.c3
Nbd7 7.Nbd2 e5 8.dxe5 Nxe5 9.Nxe5 Qxe5 [Draw Agreed]
½-½

Paldan,Glenn (1832) - Rutkofske,Lonnie (1800) [B38]

Sicilian Defense/Maroczy Bind

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1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.Nf3 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nc6 5.Nc3 g6 6.e4 Bg7
7.Be3 Qa5 8.Nxc6 dxc6 9.Bd2 Qc7 10.Be2 0-0 11.Qc2 Bg4
12.h3 Bxe2 13.Nxe2 Rad8 14.0-0 Nxe4 15.Bf4 e5 16.Qxe4
exf4 17.Qxf4 Be5 18.Qc1 Rfe8 19.Nc3 Bf4 20.Qb1 f5

21.Rd1 Qf7 22.Rxd8 Rxd8 23.b3 Rd2 24.Qe1 Rc2 25.Rd1
Qf6 26.g3 Be5 27.Ne2 Rxa2 28.f4 Bd6 29.Nc1 Bc5+ 30.Kh1
Rc2 31.Qe8+ Kg7 32.Rd7+ Kh6 (White lost on time) 0-1

Rutkofske,Lonnie (1800) - Paldan,Glenn (1832) [A45]

Trompowsky Attack

G/20 skittles St. Clair, MI, 22.06.2019

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bf4 c5 3.c3 Qb6 4.Qb3 cxd4 5.Qxb6 axb6
6.cxd4 Nc6 7.e3 Nb4 8.Na3 Rxa3 9.bxa3 Nc2+ 10.Kd1
Nxa1 11.f3 e6 12.Kc1 Nd5 13.Kb2 Nxf4 14.exf4 d5
15.Bb5+ Bd7 16.Bxd7+ Kxd7 17.Ne2 Bd6 18.Rxa1 Ra8
19.g3 Rxa3 20.Nc3 Bb4 21.Rc1 Rxc3 22.Rxc3 Bxc3+
23.Kxc3 f5 24.h4 Kc6 25.Kb4 b5 26.g4 g6 27.a3 h6 28.h5
gxh5 29.g5 hxg5 30.fxg5 Kd6 31.g6 Ke7 0-1

Paldan,Glenn (1832) - Rutkofske,Lonnie (1804) [C10]

French Defense

G/20 skittles St. Clair, MI, 22.06.2019

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Bd7 5.c3 Be7 6.Nf3
Nc6 7.Bf4 Nf6 8.Bd3 Nxe4 9.Bxe4 f5 10.Bc2 g5 11.Be5
Nxe5 12.Nxe5 0-0 13.Qd3 Be8 14.g4 Bg6 15.Nxg6 hxg6
16.0-0-0 c5 17.Bb3 Qb6 18.Qc4 cxd4 19.Qxe6+ Qxe6
20.Bxe6+ Kg7 21.Rxd4 Rad8 22.Rhd1 Kf6 23.Bd5 Bc5
24.R4d2 b6 25.f3 Be3 26.c4 Bxd2+ 27.Rxd2 Rfe8 28.Kd1
Re3 29.Re2 Rxe2 30.Kxe2 Ke5 31.Bf7 Rh8 32.b4 Rxh2+
33.Ke3 f4+ 34.Kd3 Rxa2 35.c5 Ra3+ 36.Kc4 bxc5 37.bxc5
Rxf3 38.c6 Kd6 39.Bxg6 Rf2 0-1

Calendar of Events:

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*. **Monthly Tournaments** will be held, usually on the third Thursday of the month, See the events schedule below for specifics!

2019 Events Schedule:

July 18th - 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. 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.)

August 8, 15, 22 – USCF/PHCC Rated Mini-Swiss (or Quads based on entries) 3 Round- USCF Rated Mini-Swiss. Game/90 minutes with/5 sec. delay. USCF and PHCC membership required. One game per night (August 8, 15 & 22)! Play will begin at 7:00PM. EF: \$5.00 Play will begin at 7:00PM. A minimum of 4 participants are required. Prizes: based on entries. Please register in advance by contacting Lon Rutkofske by August 7th so he can determine if there are enough entries to hold the event.

September 19th – PHCC rated Thematic tournament: 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. 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.) Players with the white pieces will be playing a game with a predetermined opening sequence such as the Ruy Lopez, or KI Attack based on one of the openings drawn at random by the TD. The game will begin from that opening position.

October 17th PHCC Speed Championships - The Port Huron Chess Club's 38th Annual Speed Championship Tournament will be held on Thursday, October 17th beginning at 7:00 PM. Registrations will determine the number of rounds and prizes. PHCC membership required. Entry fee will be \$5.00. Please contact Lon if you plan to play. There will be no registrations on-site. If you intend to play, contact Lon before October 17th. (*Will be USCF rated if all entrants are USCF members.*)

November 21st – Duncan's 18th Turkey Gobbler Tournament "fun tournament": 6 rounds – featuring handicap speed, fixed positions, pre-selected openings, problem solving, G/15 events. EF\$ 5.00, prizes based on entries; Plaque for over-all champion: class prizes for each section (A fun event created by Bob Duncan in 1980.) ! A minimum of 4 participants will be necessary to hold the event. Please contact Lon via phone or email if you plan to register. Play begins at 7:00 PM.

No Tournaments in December

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. **Membership expirations ending July 31: Claunch, Jackson; Kovatch, Daniela; Kovatch, Eric; Pirouz, Niko.**

Pictures of Josh Muir in action at the 2019 MI Amateur



Josh Muir in 2nd Round game vs. Megan Chen



Josh Muir in 4th Round game vs. Greg Bailey

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 Ratings as of 6/24/19

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Bruziewicz, Andy	2118
Gregg, Alan	1990
Rutkofske, Lon	1910
Morabito, Matt	1849
Wilkinson, Stu	1852
Jones, G. Avery	1743
Broyles, Tom	1692
Wingrove, Bill	1633
Muir, Josh	1633
Boucher, Dave	1565
Bedy, Noel	1580
Scholfield, Chris	1503
Claunch, Jackson	1325
Diachinsky, Robin	1300
Byrne, Brandon	1294
Kenny, Joshua	1063
Kovatch, Eric	1000
Kovatch, Daniela	1000
Pirouz, Niko	997
DeFoy, Jay	750

PHCC Blitz Ratings as of 6/24/19

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Bruziewicz, Andy	2249
Gregg, Alan	1938
Wilkinson, Stu	1929
Rutkofske, Lon	1926
Morabito, Matt	1755
Broyles, Tom	1708
Muir, Josh	1667
Bedy, Noel	1652
Scholfield, Chris	1552
Wingrove, Bill	1538
Jones, G. Avery	1408
Claunch, Jackson	1312
Byrne, Brandon	1327
Diachinsky, Robin	1298
Kenny, Joshua	1113
DeFoy, Jay	895
Pirouz, Niko	827
Kovatch, Eric	700
Kovatch, Daniela	500

USCF Ratings as of 6/24/19

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Bruziewicz, Andy	2098
Gregg, Alan	1978
Wilkinson, Stu	1830
Rutkofske, Lon	1800
Morabito, Matt	1780
Broyles, Tom	1699
Muir, Joshua	1616
Wingrove, Bill	1613
Jones, G. Avery	1573
Bedy, Noel	1532
Claunch, Jackson	1430
Boucher, Dave	1406
Byrne, Brandon	1283P4
DeFoy, Jay	1111P3
Kenny, Joshua	1063
Pirouz, Niko	974
Kovatch, Eric	Unr

USCF Quick/Action Ratings as of 6/24/19

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Bruziewicz, Andy	2125/P13
Gregg, Alan	1898
Morabito, Matt	1898/P17
Broyles, Tom	1801/23
Rutkofske, Lon	1807
Wilkinson, Stu	1782/P16
Muir, Josh	1610
Jones, Avery	1544
Wingrove, Bill	1504
Bedy, Noel	1488/P25
Claunch, Jackson	1403
Byrne, Brandon	1234P6
DeFoy, Jay	1103/P8
Kenny, Joshua	1102/P8
Pirouz, Niko	806
Kovatch, Eric	508/P8
Kovatch, Daniela	Unr

USCF Blitz Ratings as of 6/24/19

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Gregg, Alan	1935
Rutkofske, Lon	1932
Morabito, Matt	1727
Muir, Josh	1617
Bedy, Noel	1606
Jones, G. Avery	1200
Pirouz, Niko	827