



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

PHCC Championships begin with limited entries!

The 2025 Port Huron Chess Club Championships began on Thursday, January 16 featuring a 5 round, round robin schedule. Given that every player has a bye due to the odd number of contestants, byes did not count in the scoring. Tournament favorites **Huso Avdic** and **Alan Gregg** began the festivities with a hard-fought draw in the inaugural round, Lon managed to eek out a crucial bye , and **Drew Malburg** secured an upset victory over **Bill Wingrove** in a very interesting Sicilian Defense. Round two saw Huso and Lon holding serve over their lower rated opponents, leaving Alan to easily overcome his bye pairing.

Crosstable for 2025 PHCC Championships

Dates: 1/16 1/23 1/30 2/6 2/13 2/20

#	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Total
1	Huso Avdic	2105	W 2	B 4	W 3	B 5	----	1.5
			.5	1				
2	Alan Gregg	1933	B 1	----	B 4	W 3	W 5	.5
			.5	0				
3	Lonnie Rutkofske	1762	----	W 5	B 1	B 2	W 4	
			0	1				1
4	William Wingrove	1496	B 5	W 1	W 2	----	B 3	
			0	0				0
5	Drew Malburg	1400	W 4	B 3	----	W 1	B 2	
			1	0				1

Club Dues to increase for 2025

Alan Gregg proposed that the club annual dues be raised from \$20/ for those 19 and over; and \$10/ for those under to \$30 & \$15 respectively for 2025. In raising the dues, entry fees will no longer be charged to dues paying members for any tournament/activity the club provides for 2025. This also will include a family rate of \$35/year for families having less than 4 junior members. Only paid-up members will be permitted to participate. In events requiring US Chess membership, club membership and US Chess membership will be required. As a result of this change, there will no longer be money prizes for any PHCC events/tournaments (Unless there is a donation for this purpose.) There shall be at least one tournament/event monthly as documented below: – Unanimously approved.

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 were available at the time of this printing. Email them to me or give them to me personally if you wish. The 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 by a lower rated player only.
 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. A 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 (I.E: 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. 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.
 15. Changes will also be posted on the club website. 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

PHCC Championship Games from January 2025

Round 1

Avdic,Huso (2105) - Gregg,Alan (1933) [E21] Nimzo-Indian Defense

2025 PHCC Champs Port Huron (1), 16.01.2025

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 b6 4.g3 Bb4+ 5.Nc3 Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 0-0 7.Bg2 Bb7 8.0-0 d6 9.c5 dxc5 10.Ba3 Nbd7 11.Qb3 Rb8 12.Rfd1 Qc8 13.c4 Re8 14.e3 Be4 15.Ne1 Bxg2 16.Kxg2 cxd4 17.exd4 c5 18.Rac1 cxd4 19.Rxd4 Nc5 20.Qe3 Qc6+ 21.Kg1 e5 22.Rdd1 e4 23.Bb2 Rbd8 24.Qg5 Nd3 25.Nxd3 Rxd3 26.Re1 h6 27.Qf4 Rf3 28.Qd2 Ng4 29.Qd4 Nf6 30.Re3 Rf5 31.h3 Qd7 32.Rd1 Qxd4 33.Rxd4 Rc8 34.Ra3 Rfc5 35.Rxa7 Rxc4 36.Rd6 R4c6 37.Rd2 Rc2 38.Rxc2 Rxc2 39.Bd4 b5 40.a3 Nd5 41.Ra8+ Kh7 42.Re8 Nc3 43.Kg2 Nb1 44.Ra8 Ra2 45.Ra7 Kg6 46.Rb7 Nxa3 47.g4 Nc4 48.Kg3 Rd2 49.Bc5 Rb2 50.h4 e3 51.h5+ Kh7 52.fxe3 Rb3 53.Kf4 Rb1 54.Ke4 Rg1 55.Kf3 Ne5+ 56.Ke4 Nxd4 57.Bd4 Rf1 58.Rxb5 Nf6+ 59.Kd3 Rh1 60.Bxf6 gxf6 61.Rf5 Kg7 62.Ke4 Rg1 63.Kf4 Rg5 64.e4 Rg1 65.Ke3 Rg3+ 66.Kf2 Ra3 ½-½

Malburg,Drew (1400) - Wingrove,William (1496) [B90] Sicilian Najdorf

2025 PHCC Champs Port Huron (1), 16.01.2025

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Be3 e5 7.Nb3 Be6 8.f3 h5 9.Qd2 Nbd7 10.0-0-0 Rc8 11.Kb1 Be7 12.Nd5 Bxd5 13.exd5 Nb6 14.Bxb6 Qxb6 15.Be2 0-0 16.Rhg1 Nh7 17.f4 exf4 18.Bxh5 Bg5 19.Bf3 Rfe8 20.Qd4 Qc7 21.c3 Qe7 22.Nd2 f5 23.Bh5 Rf8 24.Rde1 Qf6 25.Qb4 g6 26.Re6 Qf7 27.Rxg6+ Kh8 28.Qxd6! Rcd8 29.Qe6 Nf6 30.Rxg5 Qh7 31.Qxf5 Rxd5 32.Qxh7+ Kxh7 33.Rxd5 Nxd5 34.Bf3 Rd8 35.Bxd5 Rxd5 36.Kc2 Kg6 37.Rf1 1-0

Round 2

Rutkofske,Lonnie (1762) - Malburg,Drew (1400) [A21] English Opening

2025 PHCC Champs Port Huron (2), 23.01.2025

1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 Bb4 3.g3 Bxc3 4.bxc3 d6 5.Bg2 Nc6 6.Qc2 f5 7.Rb1 Nf6 8.Nf3 0-0 9.e3 Rb8 10.d4 e4 11.Nd2 Re8 12.0-0 Bd7 13.f3 Qe7 14.f4 Ng4 15.Nb3 Qf7 16.d5 Ne7 17.Nd4 c5 18.h3 Nf6 19.Nb5 a6 20.Nxd6 1-0

Wingrove,William (1496) - Avdic,Huso (2105) [B67] Sicilian Defence: Richter-Rauzer

2025 PHCC Champs Port Huron (2), 23.01.2025

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Bg5 e6 7.Qd2 a6 8.0-0-0 Bd7 9.Be2 Be7 10.Bxf6 gxf6 11.Kb1 Rc8 12.f4 Qc7 13.Bf3 Na5 14.Be2 b5 15.Bxb5 axb5 16.Ndxb5 Bxb5 17.Nxb5 Qb6 18.Nxd6+ Bxd6 19.Qxd6 Rc6 20.Qd7+ Kf8 21.Qd8+ Kg7 22.Qxb6 Rxb6 23.b3 Rc8 24.Kc1 Nc6 25.Rd6 Rb7 26.a3 e5 27.fxe5 fxe5 28.Kb2 Na5 29.Rd5 Nc4+ 30.Ka2 Ne3 31.Rxe5 Rxc2+ 32.Ka1 Rxb3 33.Ra5 Rbb2 0-1

In preparation for playing our 2024 club champion, Huso Avdic, I took the opportunity to review several of Huso Avdic's Lichess games from January 22, 2025 and discovered something kind of odd and sort of disturbing, especially because Huso is quite an amazing Blitz player especially in a G/4 minute time control situation. In the four games I am presenting, his opponent's screen name was HAMDAN_YELPI_ASLI. This was quite unusual for a couple of reasons: (1) I had never seen his name in the many games I have observed in any previous online competitions, and (2) his rating jumped progressively from 1998 to 2325 in a 4-game stretch. This seems very strange because our illustrious champion lost three of the 4 contests on time...he rarely loses on time. As I pondered this curious anomaly, I wondered... "this player came out of nowhere and performed at an unusually high level?!", which raises speculation that either he was brand new and of grandmaster caliber, or he perhaps may have utilized employed some unethical practice to give him and unfair advantage . Perhaps I am being too critical, but if you have some time, please play over the games and let me know your thoughts. This is in no way a slight to Huso but does make one question the validity and veracity of online competition.

Redcapa1963 (Huso) (2208) - HAMDAN_YELPI_ASLI (1998) [B02]Alekhine's Defense: Chase Variation

Rated blitz game lichess.org, 22.01.2025

1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.c4 Nb6 4.c5 Nd5 5.Bc4 e6 6.Nc3 Nxc3 7.bxc3 Bxc5 8.Qg4 0-0 9.d4 f5 10.Qg3 Be7 11.Ne2 b6 12.h4 Bb7 13.h5 Kh8 14.Nf4 Kg8 15.Ng6 Rf7 16.Be3 Nc6 17.h6 Bf8 18.Nf4 g5 19.Nh5 f4 20.Bxf4 Bxh6 21.Be3 Kh8 22.Nf6 Rxf6 23.exf6 Qxf6 24.Qxc7 Na5 25.Bd3 Bxg2 26.Qxd7 Qg7 27.Qxg7+ Kxg7 28.Rg1 Bd5 29.Bxg5 Bxg5 30.Rxg5+ Kf6 31.Rh5 Rg8 32.Ke2 Rc8 33.Kd2 Nc4+ 34.Bxc4 Rxc4 35.Rxh7 Ra4 36.a3 b5 37.Rc7 a5 38.Rc5 b4 39.cxb4 axb4 40.Kc2 bxa3 41.Rc3 a2 42.Kd3 Kf5 43.Ke3 Rb4 44.Rc2 Rb3+ 45.Ke2 Ra3 46.Rd2 Kf4 47.Rc2 Bf3+ 48.Kd2 Bd5 49.Rc3 Ra4 50.Rd3 Be4 [Time forfeit] 0-1

HAMDAN_YELPI_ASLI (2175) - Redcapa1963 (Huso) (2201) [A46] London System

Rated blitz game lichess.org, 22.01.2025

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.dxc5 Na6 4.Nf3 Nxc5 5.g3 g6 6.Bg2 Bg7 7.0-0 0-0 8.b4 Ne6 9.Bb2 d6 10.a3 a5 11.Nd4 axb4 12.axb4 Rxa1 13.Bxa1 Qb6 14.Nb5 Bd7 15.N1c3 Rc8 16.Qb3 Nc7 17.Nxc7 Qxc7 18.Nd5 Nxd5 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.cxd5 Qc3 21.Qb1 Bb5 22.Bf3 Qc2 23.Qa1+ Qc3 24.Qa7 Rc7 25.Qb6 Ba4 26.Kg2 h5 27.Ra1 Bd7 28.Ra7 Bc8 29.Ra3 Qc4 30.Ra8 h4 31.gxh4 Bg4 32.Kg3 Bxf3 33.exf3 Qc3 34.Rb8 Qe5+ 35.Kg2 Rc4 36.Qd8 Kf6 37.Qh8+ Kf5 38.Qh7 Qf6 39.Rf8 Ke5 40.Rxf7 Qxh4 41.Rxe7+ Kxd5 42.Qf7+ Kd4 43.Re4+ Qxe4 44.fxe4 Rxb4 45.Qd5+ Kc3 46.Qxd6 Rxe4 47.Qc7+ Rc4 48.Qxb7 g5 49.Qf3+ Kb4 50.Qg3 Rc5 51.h3 Kb5 52.Kf3 Kc6 53.Kg4 Kb5 54.Kh5 Kb4 55.Qg4+ Kb5 56.Qxg5 Kc6 57.Qxc5+ Kxc5 58.Kg6 Kd5 59.h4 Ke5 60.h5 Kf4 61.h6 Kf3 62.h7 Kxf2 63.h8Q Ke3 64.Qf6 Ke4 65.Qf5+ Kd4 66.Qg5 Ke4 67.Qf5+ Ke3 68.Kf6 Kd4 69.Qe5+ Kd3 70.Kf5 Kc4 71.Qf4+ Kd3 72.Ke5 Kc3 73.Qd4+ Kc2 74.Kd5 Kb3 75.Kc5 [Time forfeit] 1-0

Redcapa1963 (Huso) (2196) - HAMDAN_YELPI_ASLI (2269) [E01]Catalan

Rated blitz game lichess.org, 22.01.2025

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 d5 4.Nc3 c6 5.g3 Bb4 6.Bg2 Ne4 7.Qb3 Qa5 8.Bd2 Nxd2 9.Nxd2 0-0 10.0-0 Nd7 11.a3 Be7 12.e4 dxe4 13.Ndxe4 b6 14.Rac1 Ba6 15.Rfd1 Rfd8 16.d5 cxd5 17.cxd5 exd5 18.Nxd5 Bf8 19.Nc7 Rac8 20.Nxa6 Rxc1 21.Rxc1 Qxa6 22.Ng5 Ne5 23.f4 Qd3 24.Qxd3 Nxd3 25.Rc7 Bc5+ 26.Kf1 Nxb2 27.Nxf7 Rd2 28.Be4 Nd3 29.Bxd3 Rxd3 30.Ng5 g6 31.Rxh7 Rxa3 32.Rb7 a5 33.h4 Rxg3 34.Ne6 Bg1 35.Ke2 Re3+ 36.Kf1 Rxe6 37.Kxg1 a4 38.Kf2 Rc6 39.Kf3 a3 40.Ra7 Rc3+ 41.Kg4 b5 42.Kg5 Rg3+ 43.Kf6 b4 44.Ra8+ Kh7 45.Ra7+ Kh6 46.Ra8 Kh5 47.Rh8+ Kg4 48.Kxg6 Kxf4+ 49.Kf6 a2 50.Ra8 Ra3 51.Rb8 a1Q+ [Normal] 0-1

HAMDAN_YELPI_ASLI (2325) - Redcapa1963 (Huso) (2192) [D00] QP Game

Rated blitz game lichess.org, 22.01.2025

1.d4 Nf6 2.c3 d5 3.Nf3 c5 4.Bf4 Nc6 5.e3 Bf5 6.Nbd2 e6 7.h3 Bd6 8.Bxd6 Qxd6 9.Qb3 b6 10.Bb5 0-0 11.0-0 Nd7 12.Qa4 Rfc8 13.Rfd1 a6 14.Bf1 b5 15.Qa3 b4 16.Qa4 c4 17.Rdc1 h6 18.e4 Bg6 19.exd5 exd5 20.Qd1 a5 21.g3 Rab8 22.Bg2 bxc3 23.bxc3 Rb2 24.Nh4 Bh7 25.Nf1 Re8 26.Ne3 Nf6 27.Nhf5 Qe6 28.Qf3 Ne4 29.Qg4 Bg6 30.Bxe4 Qxe4 31.Qxe4 Rxe4 32.Nd6 Re6 33.Ndf5 Bxf5 34.Nxf5 Ne7 35.Ne3 g5 36.Rcb1 Reb6 37.Rxb2 Rxb2 38.a4 Rb3 39.Rc1 f5 40.Kg2 Kf7 41.h4 Kf6 42.hxg5+ hxg5 43.Rh1 Rxc3 44.Rh6+ Kg7 45.Re6 Ng6 46.Nxf5+ Kf7 47.Ra6 Rd3 48.Rxa5 c3 49.Rxd5 c2 50.Rc5 Rd2 51.Ne3 Rxd4 52.a5 Ra4 53.Nxc2 Ne7 54.Rxg5 Kf6 55.Rb5 Nf5 56.Ne1 Nd4 57.Rb6+ Ke7 58.a6 Kd7 59.Rb7+ Kc8 60.Rb1 Rxa6 61.Rc1+ [Time forfeit] 1-0

Phil Willard Memorial Chess Tournament



Saturday, March 1st, 2025

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**

Non-PHASD Student Cost: \$10.00 (Space Limited-CASH Only)

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.**

Calendar of Events for 2025:

First Thursday of Each Month: Free Chess Clinics – 6:30 to 7:00 PM; **Private Lessons** can be arranged @ \$15/person per hour; **Open play:** 7:00 until 10:00 PM. 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! Additional learning opportunities are offered by the club with periodic lectures from 7:00 – 8:00 on the second meeting of each month.

March 1st - Port Huron Area Schools District Tournament – At Port Huron High School - 9am-1pm – seeking PHCC volunteers - see flyer in January & February Issues of Chess Chatter.

April 18th - **PHCC Under 1800 Rated Only** :Action Quads (or Mini-Swiss depending on registration) G/10 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.)

May 16th- **PHCC Rated** Action Quads (or Mini-Swiss depending on registration) G/10 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.)

June 20th- **PHCC Under 1800 Rated Only**: Action Quads (or Mini-Swiss depending on registration) G/10 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.)

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 4th 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 41st 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 14th. (Will be USCF rated if all entrants are USCF members.)

November 21st – **PHCC Rated** Quick Tournament DRR Game/15 **PHCC Rated** Action Quads (or Mini-Swiss depending on registration) 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.)

Ratings:

The following list represents only current members of the Port Huron Chess Club. Current USCF ratings were used for members that had them, 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 1/23/25

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Bruziewicz, Andrew	2267
Avdic, Huso	2105
Gregg, Alan	1933
Seth, Samarth	1832
Morabito, Matt	1830
Urick, Ryan	1802
Rutkofske, Lon	1762
Klaty, Braeden	1760
Klaty, Trenton	1526
Wingrove, Bill	1496
Malburg, Drew	1400
Ledsworth, Brian	1400
Shardool, Mhaskar	1380
Klaty, Brad	1368
Marsh, Nolan	1185
Fisher, Sandi	966
Willard, Parker	684
Muruganandam, Mugil	638
Bussone, Stephen	630

PHCC Blitz Ratings as of 1/23/25

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Bruziewicz, Andrew	2152
Avdic, Huso	2035
Gregg, Alan	1951
Urick, Ryan	1900
Seth, Samarth	1881
Morabito, Matt	1804
Klaty, Braeden	1766
Rutkofske, Lon	1625
Blunt, Stuart	1579
Shardool, Mhaskar	1535
Wingrove, Bill	1519
Willard, Parker	1436
Klaty, Trenton	1402
Klaty, Brad	1387
Ledsworth, Brian	1317
Muruganandam, Mugil	1210
Malburg, Drew	1120
Fisher, Sandi	1033
Bussone, Stephen	1000

USCF Ratings as of 1/23/25

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Bruziewicz, Andrew	2054
Avdic, Huso	1963
Alan Gregg	1893
Rutkofske, Lon	1800
Morabito, Matt	1780
Wingrove, Bill	1520
Urick, Ryan	1712
Klaty, Braeden	1584
Shardool, Mhaskar	1380
Klaty, Brad	1344
Klaty, Trenton	1170
Ledsworth, Brian	1314
Malburg, Drew	1277
Marsh, Nolan	959
Willard, Parker	823
Fisher, Sandi	791
Muruganandam, Mugil	640

USCF Quick/Action Ratings as of 1/23/25

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Bruziewicz, Andrew	2027
Avdic, Huso	1979
Morabito, Matt	1908
Gregg, Alan	1852
Rutkofske, Lon	1720
Wingrove, Bill	1510
Klaty, Braeden	1468
Klaty, Brad	1354
Klaty, Trenton	1170
Ledsworth, Brian	1087
Marsh, Nolan	954
Willard, Parker	772
Muruganandam, Mugil	565
Fisher, Sandi	397

USCF Blitz Ratings as of 1/23/25

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Bruziewicz, Andrew	2152
Avdic, Huso	2009
Gregg, Alan	1837
Morabito, Matt	1732
Rutkofske, Lon	1602
Klaty, Trenton	1342
Ledsworth, Brian	1317
Malburg, Drew	1203
Klaty, Brad	1289

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 \$30.00 for adults and \$15.00 for those under 19. Family rates available upon request. Dues funds are used to offset miscellaneous expenses not funded by the Recreation Department. United States Chess Federation memberships are available through the club.

Expiring Memberships: Sandi Fisher – Jan 2025