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June 2016 USCF Rating List

(From USCF Website, Regular Rated within Last Year)

Rank	Player	Rating	Rank	Player	Rating
1	IM Safal Bora	2508	51	Michael A Smith	1981
2	FM Atulya Shetty	2461	52	Michael Dang	1977
3	FM Seth Homa	2419	53	Joel Halloran	1977
4	FM Edward Song	2408	54	Jennifer Skidmore Smith	1973
5	Ben Li	2355	55	Eddie Barber	1966
6	CM Ehab Iyass	2348	56	Akash Narayanan	1958
7	James Canty III	2313	57	Justin Chen	1957
8	Michael Chen	2282	58	Allen Wickering	1956
9	Jalen Wang	2277	59	Krishna Venkatasubba	1954
10	Ameer Ghobrial	2259	60	Michael Clark	1948
11	FM David Sprenkle	2257	61	Alan Gregg	1941
12	Eric Fischvogt	2220	62	Adam Masek	1941
13	Kevin Noren	2209	63	Michael R Smith	1938
14	Manis Davidovich	2206	64	Evan Hawver	1937
15	Ratko Bojanovic	2204	65	Zoran Stojanovski	1937
16	Kevin Czuhai	2203	66	Mike Williams	1935
17	Mark Finegold	2202	67	Jeff Aldrich	1932
18	Timothy McGrew	2200	68	Loyd Gentry	1925
19	Joshua Posthuma	2192	69	Daniel Sajkowski	1922
20	John Brooks	2191	70	Justin Liang	1922
21	FM Andrew Hubbard	2189	71	Phil Roe	1921
22	Thomas Ward	2182	72	Ronald Williams	1921
23	CM Alaa-Addin Moussa	2168	73	Eric Larson	1917
24	Ariel Levi	2168	74	Andrew Schremser	1912
25	Evgeniy Khain	2158	75	Stanley Jarosz Jr	1909
26	Eugene Brumley	2155	76	Kevin Jackson Sr	1907
27	David Hahn	2146	77	Justin Meek	1906
28	WCM Apurva Virkud	2131	78	Evan Giampa	1906
29	Jack Wood	2127	79	Zachary Smith	1905
30	Robert O'Donnell	2126	80	Gregory Bailey	1900
31	Aaron Daniel	2124	81	Dan Hronchek	1894
32	IM Ibrahim Chahrour	2112	82	Ricky Warnicke	1894
33	Benjamin Brandt	2107	83	Tony West	1889
34	Anthony Nichols	2101	84	Tim Knowlton	1886
35	Surya Parasuraman	2079	85	Raymond Garrison	1882
36	Peter Chen	2070	86	Ashley Carter	1882
37	Kameron Tolliver	2065	87	Bryan Wilson Jr	1879
38	Salah Chehayeb	2061	88	Chris Schmidt	1878
39	Bronson Gentry	2052	89	Thomas LaForge	1877
40	Tony Palmer	2051	90	Harrison He	1876
41	Manmohan Das	2048	91	Frederick Lahr	1875
42	William Rhee	2026	92	Matthew Morabito	1864
43	Clara McGrew	2023	93	Thomas Triplett	1863
44	Abraham Uppal	2013	94	Gary Morton	1859
45	Barry Endsley	2006	95	WCM Sasha Konovalenko	1852
46	James Sawaski	2000	96	Isaac Zylstra	1850
47	Hassan Sobh	2000	97	Stewart Wilkinson	1844
48	Morgan Everett	2000	98	Nick Schwerin	1839
49	Kyle Webster	1994	99	Tom Manion	1832
50	Mandy Lu	1992	100	Douglas Fick II	1832

Current Michigan Champions

2015 Michigan Open	FM Andrew Hubbard
2015 Michigan Open Reserve	Aditya Bajaj
2015 Michigan Open Booster	Shamanth Shastry
2015 Michigan Amateur	James Sawaski
2016 Master/Expert	Manis Davidovich
2016 Expert Champion	Timothy McGrew
2016 Class A Champion	Manmohan Das
2016 Class B Champion	Nick Schwerin
2016 Class C Champion	David Scott
2016 Class D Champion	Chris Locricchio
2016 Class E Champion	Samay Achar
2016 Novice Champion	Joshua Svinarich
2015 Michigan Action	Manis Davidovich
2015 Michigan Speed	Jalen Wang
2015 Senior Champion	Kevin Noren
2015 Senior Reserve Champion	Ron Grzegorzczak
2015 Michigan Women's	Jennifer Skidmore Smith
2016 Primary K-3 Team	Troy Barnard
2016 Primary K-3 Team Reserve	Grand Rapids Lakeside Barnes
2016 Elementary K-5 Team	Troy Gallimore Knights
2016 Elementary K-5 Team Reserve	St Clair Shores St Isaac Jogues
2016 Elementary K-6 Team	Bloomfield Hills Roeper
2016 Junior High K-9 Team	Detroit University Prep MS A
2016 Junior High K-9 Team Reserve	Detroit Sampson-Webber Detroit Bates Academy B1
2016 High School 9-12 Team	Ann Arbor Greenhills HS
2016 High School K-12 Team Reserve	Troy HS Ann Arbor J+Huron HS
2016 Michigan Junior	IM Safal Bora
2016 Michigan Young Junior	Ben Li
2016 Michigan Young Junior Reserve	Constantin Stanesco-Bellu
2016 Michigan Children's	Michael Zheng
2016 Michigan Children's Reserve	Isonga Murembya
2016 Michigan Young Children's	Charlie Reese
2016 Michigan Young Children's Reserve	Abhinav Rajanish
2015 Scholastic Club K-12 Team	Detroit City Chess Club
2015 Scholastic Club K-12 Individual	Clara McGrew
2015 Scholastic Club K-8 Team	Detroit City Chess Club
2015 Scholastic Club K-8 Individual	Noah Winkler Micale Garland Jaidyn Hamilton
2015 Scholastic Club K-5 Team	Detroit City Chess Club
2015 Scholastic Club K-5 Individual	Michael Zheng
2015 Scholastic Club K-3 Team	Holland Chess Academy
2015 Scholastic Club K-3 Individual	Charlie Reese Jason Shi

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Recent News

ALL-GIRLS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Michigan took home top honors in a couple sections of this National Event. The tournament was held over the weekend of April 22-24, 2016.

From Coach *Kevin Fite*: Our girls won the 2016 Jr. High All-Girls Chess Nationals (Under Age 14 Section) in Chicago, IL beating out National Chess Powerhouse and the much higher rated New York IS318 Middle school. This was the first time we've ever won the All-Girls National Championship, New York IS318 hasn't lost the All-Girls Nationals in over 10 years. The talented girls who helped UPREPSM Middle win the title was 8th graders **Jaidyn Hamilton, Jada Hamilton, Gisele Motley, Lauren Bradford** and 6th grader **Sa'Nya Burton**.



A Michigan player also won the Blitz side event. Though not the highest rated player in the event, Sasha Konovalenko displayed her rapid thinking by winning with a perfect 10 score through the five round blitz tournament.



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West Michigan Chess	www.westmichiganchess.com
Lake Superior Chess Association	www.michess.org/up

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National/International Chess Websites

United States Chess Federation	www.uschess.org
World Chess Federation (FIDE)	www.fide.com
Chess Federation of Canada	www.chess.ca
English Chess Federation	www.englishchess.org.uk
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Russian Chess Federation	www.russiachess.org

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Tony Palmer

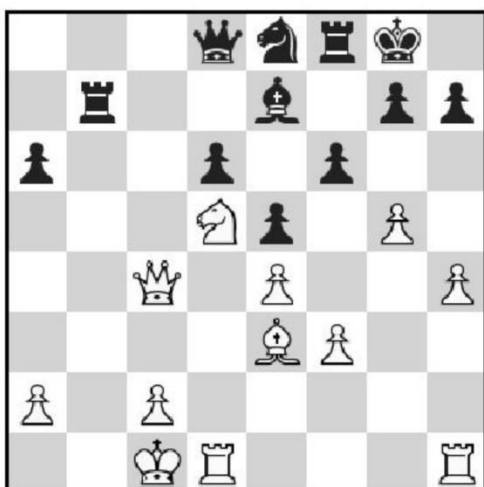
Double Check is a very powerful tactic as the King must move, often leading to Mate or substantial material gain. Solutions on Page 29.



1) White to Move



2) Black to Move



3) White to Move



4) Black to Move



5) White to Move



6) Black to Move

2016 MICHIGAN BOTTOM HALF CLASS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Dearborn, October 1-2, 2016

SITE:	Edward Village Hotel (Formerly The Adoba) 600 Town Center Dr, Dearborn, MI 48126 (313) 592-3622; Website: http://www.hotel-dearborn.com/
DIRECTIONS:	Located North of Michigan Ave, South of Hubbard St, East of Evergreen Rd, West of Southfield Rd.
ROOM RATE	TBD, See MCA website soon for details: www.michess.org <i>Let us know if you are staying at the hotel for the tournament.</i>
7 SECTIONS:	Open, U1900, U1700, U1500, U1300, U1100 U900/Unr: 1-Day Sat Only
MEMBERSHIPS:	Must be a member of the US Chess Federation & Michigan Chess Association. (Members of other state associations OK)
ADVANCE ENTRY FEES:	Advance entries must be paid by September 29. All entry fees paid after September 29, add \$10 more. Open: \$55 (U18 \$5 off), Free entry to GM, IM, FM, & 2200+, adv entry fee deducted from prize. U1900, U1700, U1500, U1300, U1100: \$45 (U18 \$5 off) Novice: \$28
ADVANCE REGISTRATION:	Online: https://onlineregistration.cc/ Jeff Aldrich (TD), P.O. Box 40, Flint MI 48501; Make Checks Payable to MCA . jeffchess64@gmail.com ; (810) 955-7271
ON-SITE REGISTRATION:	Saturday: 8:30-9:30am
ROUNDS:	Open, U1900, U1700, U1500, U1300, U1100: Sat 10am, 2:30pm, 7 pm; Sun 10am, 2:30pm U900/Unr: 10am, 11:30am, 1:30pm, 3pm, 4:30pm
TIME CONTROL:	Open, U1900, U1700, U1500, U1300, U1100: G/115;d5 U900/Unr: G/30;d5

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Open Section (GPP 6): 1st \$250, 2nd \$150; U2200: \$100 U2000: \$100

U1900/U1700/U1500/U1300/U1100 Sections: 1st \$150, 2nd \$100;

Under Prizes for Each Class Section: U1800/U1600/U1400/U1200/U1000: \$75 each

U900/Unr Section: Trophies to Top 3 Overall, Top U800, Top U600, Top U400, Top Unrated.

State Champions (Top Michigan Resident): Awarded to all 2 day scheduled sections.

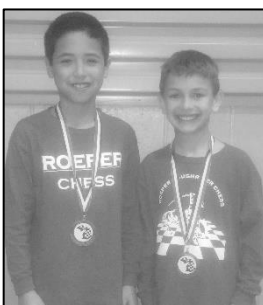
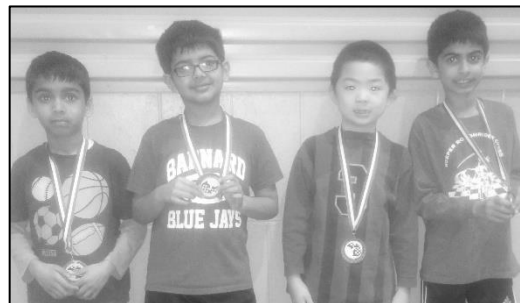
Trophies for all place-winners listed above.

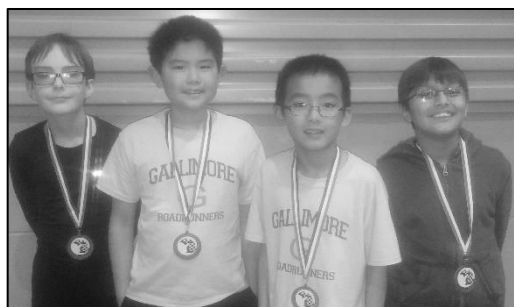
2016 Elementary/Primary Team Championships

March 26, 2016

2016 Michigan Elementary/Primary Team Individual Medal Winners

Gold = 5.0; Silver = 4.0-4.5; Bronze = 3.5





2016 Michigan Elementary Team K-6 Championship – Team Crosstable

No.	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
1	Roeper K-6C	954	W10 [4.0]	W3 [3.0]	W2 [3.5]	W5 [4.0]	W4 [3.0]	5.0
2	Okemos Kinawa K-6a	861	W9 [4.0]	D6 [2.0]	L1 [0.5]	W10 [3.0]	W3 [3.0]	3.5
3	Chrysler K-6C 1	1024	W5 [4.0]	L1 [1.0]	W10 [4.0]	W7 [4.0]	L2 [1.0]	3.0
4	AA Emerson	603	W8 [3.5]	L5 [1.5]	W6 [3.0]	W9 [3.0]	L1 [1.0]	3.0
5	Roberts Rooks A	540	L3 [0.0]	W4 [2.5]	W8 [2.5]	L1 [0.0]	W6 [4.0]	3.0
6	Chrysler K-6C 2	621	W7 [3.0]	D2 [2.0]	L4 [1.0]	W8 [3.0]	L5 [0.0]	2.5
7	Okemos Kinawa K-6b	221	L6 [1.0]	D8 [2.0]	D9 [2.0]	L3 [0.0]	W10 [3.0]	2.0
8	Cooper Upper	1373	L4 [0.5]	D7 [2.0]	L5 [1.5]	L6 [1.0]	D9 [2.0]	1.0
9	Flickinger Knights	324	L2 [0.0]	L10 [1.0]	D7 [2.0]	L4 [1.0]	D8 [2.0]	1.0
10	Spring Lake Intermediate	346	L1 [0.0]	W9 [3.0]	L3 [0.0]	L2 [1.0]	L7 [1.0]	1.0

2016 Michigan Elementary Team K-6 Championship – Individual Crosstable

No.	Name	Team	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
1	Aiden Song	Roeper K-6C	1725	W26	W17	W6	W31	W11	5.0
2	Bryce Bottesi	Roeper K-6C	842	W37	W12	W15	W13	W14	5.0
3	Travis Turner	Chrysler K-6C 1	948	W21	W5	W25	W18	D30	4.5
4	Eric Hobson	Cooper Upper	1448	D11	W40	W31	W35	W34	4.5
5	Nathaniel Carlson	Roeper K-6C	658	W25	L3	W30	W21	W23	4.0
6	Kaivalya Kulkarni	Okemos Kinawa K-6a	1019	W34	W35	L1	W26	W17	4.0
7	Aswath Karai	Okemos Kinawa K-6a	758	W27	W33	D9	W32	D10	4.0
8	Blake Fields	Chrysler K-6C 2	616	W18	W30	W23	W39	L21	4.0
9	Luke Burmeister	Roeper K-6C	593	W32	W10	D7	W22	L20	3.5
10	Justin Gullely	Chrysler K-6C 1	876	W22	L9	W32	W28	D7	3.5
11	Jack Hauptman	AA Emerson	743	D4	W31	W35	W34	L1	3.5
12	Nicholas Burton	Chrysler K-6C 1	1101	W13	L2	W37	W19	L15	3.0
13	Keegan Forbes	Roberts Rooks A	597	L12	W14	W38	L2	W16	3.0
14	Eleanor Klinger	AA Emerson	662	W38	L13	W16	W29	L2	3.0
15	Pranav Srinivas	Okemos Kinawa K-6a	877	W29	L16	L2	W37	W12	3.0
16	Kellsey Hall	Chrysler K-6C 2	618	W19	W15	L14	W38	L13	3.0
17	Solmon Foster	Chrysler K-6C 1	1169	W31	L1	W26	W40	L6	3.0
18	Anders Howe	Okemos Kinawa K-6b	146	L8	W39	W36	L3	W25	3.0
19	S Aiden Song	Okemos Kinawa K-6b	196	L16	W38	W29	L12	W37	3.0
20	Jay Vijan	AA Emerson	390	W24	---	W33	---	W9	3.0
21	Stephen Smith	Roberts Rooks A	633	L3	D23	W39	L5	W8	2.5
22	Jordan Jarbo	Roberts Rooks A	309	L10	W41	D24	L9	W33	2.5
23	Parini Rao	AA Emerson	616	W39	D21	L8	W36	L5	2.5
24	Jordan Gladson	Cooper Upper	1298	L20	W28	D22	L33	W27	2.5
25	Brett Carrier	Spring Lake Intermediate	147	L5	W36	L3	W30	L18	2.0
26	Jackson Core	Spring Lake Intermediate	735	L1	W34	L17	L6	W40	2.0
27	Jade Burnham	Flickinger Knights	182	L7	L32	W28	W41	L24	2.0
28	Manush Gopal	Okemos Kinawa K-6b	96	W33	L24	L27	L10	W32	2.0
29	Jenna Burnham	Flickinger Knights	350	L15	W37	L19	L14	W38	2.0
30	Sullivan Klus	Okemos Kinawa K-6a	790	W36	L8	L5	L25	D3	1.5
31	Evan Aeck	Roberts Rooks A	619	L17	L11	L4	L1	W35	1.0
32	Brayden Clark	Spring Lake Intermediate	97	L9	W27	L10	L7	L28	1.0

No.	Name	Team	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
33	Ivory Burks	Chrysler K-6C 2	566	L28	L7	L20	W24	L22	1.0
34	Jack Burnham	Flickinger Knights	430	L6	L26	W40	L11	L4	1.0
35	Houston Poe	Chrysler K-6C 2	685	W40	L6	L11	L4	L31	1.0
36	Joel Burnham	Flickinger Knights	333	L30	L25	L18	L23	W39	1.0
37	Brody Sara	Spring Lake Intermediate	407	L2	L29	L12	L15	L19	0.0
38	Braeden Graham	Cooper Upper	1398	L14	L19	L13	L16	L29	0.0
39	Ben Slitti	Cooper Upper	1348	L23	L18	L21	L8	L36	0.0
40	Quentin Zeller	Okemos Kinawa K-6b	447	L35	L4	L34	L17	L26	0.0
41	Jack Huber	AA Emerson	Unr	---	L22	---	L27	---	0.0

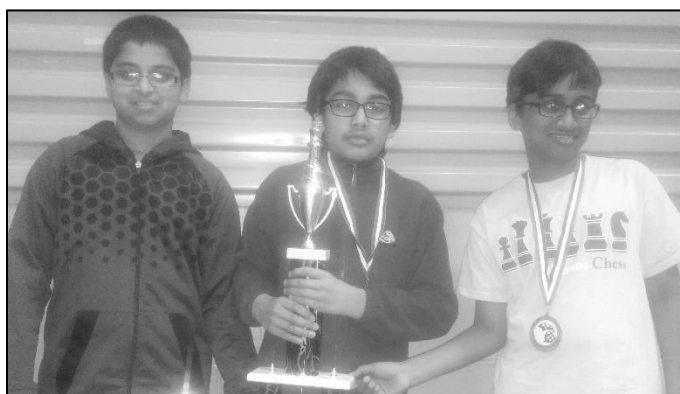
2016 Michigan Elementary Team K-6 Championship Prizewinners



Champion: Roeper K-6C



4th Place: AA Emerson



2nd Place: Okemos Kinawa K-6a



5th Place: Roberts Rooks A



3rd Place: Chrysler K-6C 1



6th Place: Chrysler K-6C 2



8th Place: Cooper Upper



10th Place: Spring Lake Intermediate



9th Place: Flickinger Knights

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2016 Michigan Elementary Team K-5 Championship – Team Crosstable

No.	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
1	Gallimore Knights	1158	W2 [4.0]	W7 [4.0]	W4 [3.0]	W3 [3.5]	W8 [4.0]	5.0
2	Troy Wattles	589	L1 [0.0]	W18 [4.0]	W19 [4.0]	W6 [2.5]	W7 [2.5]	4.0
3	Okemos Central	771	W14 [4.0]	D8 [2.0]	W16 [4.0]	L1 [0.5]	W9 [4.0]	3.5
4	University Prep Elem K-5C	956	W10 [4.0]	W11 [4.0]	L1 [1.0]	L8 [1.5]	W13 [4.0]	3.0
5	AA STEAM K-5C	406	L11 [1.5]	D14 [2.0]	D17 [2.0]	W15 [4.0]	W12 [2.5]	3.0
6	AA Bach Bengals	650	W9 [3.0]	D13 [2.0]	D8 [2.0]	L2 [1.5]	W16 [3.0]	3.0
7	AA King Carlsen	632	W18 [3.0]	L1 [0.0]	W15 [4.0]	W13 [3.0]	L2 [1.5]	3.0
8	Schroeder Stars	598	W19 [4.0]	D3 [2.0]	D6 [2.0]	W4 [2.5]	L1 [0.0]	3.0
9	Okemos Kinawa K-5c	461	L6 [0.0]	W10 [2.5]	W11 [3.0]	W12 [3.0]	L3 [0.0]	3.0
10	Mi New Century Chinese School	583	L4 [0.0]	L9 [1.5]	W14 [3.0]	D18 [2.0]	W19 [3.0]	2.5
11	St Isaac Jogues K-5C	609	W5 [2.5]	L4 [0.0]	L9 [1.0]	D16 [2.0]	W18 [3.5]	2.5
12	AA Go Like the Wind	660	W15 [2.5]	D16 [2.0]	D13 [2.0]	L9 [1.0]	L5 [1.5]	2.0
13	Gallimore Wizards	268	Bye [4.0]	D6 [2.0]	D12 [2.0]	L7 [1.0]	L4 [0.0]	2.0
14	Cornerstone Nevada K-5C	531	L3 [0.0]	D5 [2.0]	L10 [1.0]	Bye [4.0]	D17 [2.0]	2.0
15	AA Lawton Leopards K-5C	466	L12 [1.5]	W17 [2.5]	L7 [0.0]	L5 [0.0]	Bye [4.0]	2.0
16	SL Jeffers K-5C	403	W17 [2.5]	D12 [2.0]	L3 [0.0]	D11 [2.0]	L6 [1.0]	2.0
17	Okemos Hiawatha K-5c	602	L16 [1.5]	L15 [1.5]	D5 [2.0]	D19 [2.0]	D14 [2.0]	1.5
18	AA Summers Knoll	434	L7 [1.0]	L2 [0.0]	Bye [4.0]	D10 [2.0]	L11 [0.5]	1.5
19	SL Holmes Bishops	352	L8 [0.0]	Bye [4.0]	L2 [0.0]	D17 [2.0]	L10 [1.0]	1.5

2016 Michigan Elementary Team K-5 Championship – Individual Crosstable

No.	Name	Team	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
1	Alan Zheng	Gallimore Knights	1177	W12	W29	W7	W11	W46	5.0
2	Jared Ge	Gallimore Knights	1225	W17	W32	W28	W27	W26	5.0
3	Arjun Bajaj	AA Go Like the Wind	1464	W56	W49	W64	W45	W34	5.0
4	Alexander Boyd	AA Bach Bengals	1138	W45	W64	W60	W40	W49	5.0
5	Abhijay Das	Gallimore Knights	570	W33	W47	W25	D21	W9	4.5
6	Charisse Woods	University Prep Elem K-5C	1397	W52	W72	W8	D60	W64	4.5
7	Abdurrahman Bayi	University Prep Elem K-5C	957	W24	W19	L1	W46	W36	4.0
8	Michael Zheng	Gallimore Knights	1660	W40	W20	L6	W10	W60	4.0
9	Abhinav Rajanish	Schroeder Stars	262	W35	W21	W53	W25	L5	4.0
10	Alex Kong	Okemos Central	1523	W37	W60	W49	L8	W45	4.0
11	Mathathi Mathiyazhagan	Okemos Central	547	W65	W46	W50	L1	W61	4.0
12	Anish Hari	Troy Wattles	462	L1	W66	W67	W71	W29	4.0

No.	Name	Team	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
13	Luka Kelleher	Gallimore Wizards	193	Bye	W53	W51	W47	L25	4.0
14	Isaac Song	Mi New Century Chinese School	573	L28	W48	W31	W69	W68	4.0
15	Sovereign Schoenherr	Okemos Hiawatha K-5c	550	L50	W62	W23	W67	W65	4.0
16	Ezra Min	AA Bach Bengals	853	W48	W70	W26	D17	L18	3.5
17	Rithwik Paladugu	Troy Wattles	367	L2	W69	W68	D16	W32	3.5
18	Eddie Brown	SL Jeffers K-5C	409	D41	W63	L27	W55	W16	3.5
19	Colin Pullen	St Isaac Jogues K-5C	954	D23	L7	W61	W50	W66	3.5
20	Anthony Varkey	AA King Carlsen	954	W43	L8	W56	W64	D40	3.5
21	Sebastian Klus	Okemos Central	418	W58	L9	W74	D5	X39	3.5
22	Julian Snelling	AA STEAM K-5C	264	L30	W58	W44	W57	D51	3.5
23	Orrin Batts	AA STEAM K-5C	314	D19	W65	L15	W62	W73	3.5
24	Peter Wang	Mi New Century Chinese School	461	L7	D61	W65	W66	W67	3.5
25	Isaiah Yanish	University Prep Elem K-5C	395	WF	W30	L5	L9	W13	3.0
26	Adhvaith Rajanish	Schroeder Stars	774	W68	W27	L16	W28	L2	3.0
27	Ashrith Mathiyazhagan	Okemos Central	596	W31	L26	W18	L2	W48	3.0
28	Maxwell Motley	University Prep Elem K-5C	1076	W14	W55	L2	L26	W70	3.0
29	Ismael Metwally	AA King Carlsen	458	W66	L1	W62	W36	L12	3.0
30	Claire Pullen	St Isaac Jogues K-5C	620	W22	L25	L39	W74	W38	3.0
31	Marvin Jennings	Cornerstone Nevada K-5C	571	L27	W54	L14	Bye	W41	3.0
32	Eli Driscoll	AA King Carlsen	612	W69	L2	W42	W70	L17	3.0
33	Abhinav Hari	Troy Wattles	417	L5	W38	W35	W53	L47	3.0
34	Jaegun Song	AA STEAM K-5C	810	W72	L37	W75	W56	L3	3.0
35	Weston Carpenter	SL Holmes Bishops	277	L9	Bye	L33	W44	WF	3.0
36	Leo Popp	Gallimore Wizards	243	Bye	W71	W73	L29	L7	3.0
37	Keonte Woolf	Cornerstone Nevada K-5C	561	L10	W34	L52	Bye	W75	3.0
38	Maya Thornton	AA Summers Knoll	300	W47	L33	Bye	WF	L30	3.0
39	Siddarth Kandukuri	Okemos Kinawa K-5c	393	F71	WF	W30	W51	F21	3.0
40	Jonathan Chen	Troy Wattles	1109	L8	W43	W59	L4	D20	2.5
41	Bhargava Kulkarni	Okemos Hiawatha K-5c	628	D18	L42	W54	W68	L31	2.5
42	Zhenze Zhu	AA Lawton Leopards K-5C	449	D63	W41	L32	L54	Bye	2.5
43	Kaden Thornton	AA Summers Knoll	779	L20	L40	Bye	W52	D72	2.5
44	Sruthi Kotaru	Okemos Hiawatha K-5c	500	W74	D57	L22	L35	W58	2.5
45	Isonga Murembya	Okemos Kinawa K-5c	516	L4	W52	W72	L3	L10	2.0
46	Sahay Achar	Schroeder Stars	627	W67	L11	W71	L7	L1	2.0
47	Akshar Cowlagi	AA King Carlsen	505	L38	L5	W57	L13	W33	2.0
48	Aryan Afre	Okemos Kinawa K-5c	493	L16	L14	W55	W63	L27	2.0
49	Jaden Core	SL Jeffers K-5C	384	W75	L3	L10	W72	L4	2.0
50	Bryce Collins	SL Jeffers K-5C	434	W15	W73	L11	L19	L71	2.0
51	Dries Mavrinac	AA Go Like the Wind	210	D57	W74	L13	L39	D22	2.0
52	Bryan Chen	Mi New Century Chinese School	714	L6	L45	W37	L43	W59	2.0
53	Miles Borgsdorf	AA Bach Bengals	287	W61	L13	L9	L33	W74	2.0
54	Kai Ravikumar	AA STEAM K-5C	236	L55	L31	L41	W42	W63	2.0
55	Talyah Beard	St Isaac Jogues K-5C	462	W54	L28	L48	L18	W69	2.0
56	Kei Murakami	AA Lawton Leopards K-5C	666	L3	W75	L20	L34	Bye	2.0
57	Madhav Sivadasan	AA Lawton Leopards K-5C	349	D51	D44	L47	L22	Bye	2.0
58	Ivan Blueford	Cornerstone Nevada K-5C	471	L21	L22	WF	Bye	L44	2.0
59	Johnny Perez	SL Holmes Bishops	427	L60	Bye	L40	W75	L52	2.0
60	Saswat Saravanan	Schroeder Stars	728	W59	L10	L4	D6	L8	1.5
61	Richard Song	Okemos Kinawa K-5c	443	L53	D24	L19	W73	L11	1.5
62	Gracie Hou	AA Lawton Leopards K-5C	399	D73	L15	L29	L23	Bye	1.5
63	Vivek Tewari	AA Go Like the Wind	837	D42	L18	W70	L48	L54	1.5
64	Elvis Xiang	Gallimore Wizards	343	Bye	L4	L3	L20	L6	1.0
65	Caryn Gilbert	Cornerstone Nevada K-5C	521	L11	L23	L24	Bye	L15	1.0
66	Benjamin Mendez	AA Summers Knoll	252	L29	L12	Bye	L24	L19	1.0
67	Kaplan Bolema	SL Holmes Bishops	327	L46	Bye	L12	L15	L24	1.0
68	Grayson Carpenter	SL Holmes Bishops	377	L26	Bye	L17	L41	L14	1.0
69	Christopher Mendez	AA Summers Knoll	403	L32	L17	Bye	L14	L55	1.0
70	Victor Xu	Gallimore Wizards	293	Bye	L16	L63	L32	L28	1.0
71	Elvin Sahijdak	AA Bach Bengals	322	F39	L36	L46	L12	W50	1.0
72	Johnnie Shoemake	St Isaac Jogues K-5C	400	L34	L6	L45	L49	D43	0.5
73	Albert Mavrinac	AA Go Like the Wind	127	D62	L50	L36	L61	L23	0.5
74	Adetunji Adams	SL Jeffers K-5C	384	L44	L51	L21	L30	L53	0.0
75	Riley Zheng	Okemos Hiawatha K-5c	728	L49	L56	L34	L59	L37	0.0
76	Tareq Coleman	University Prep Elem K-5C	174	---	---	---	---	---	0.0

2016 MICHIGAN WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2016



4-ROUNDS, 2 SECTIONS: OPEN and RESERVE (U1000/UNR) + SIDE EVENT

USCF AND MCA MEMBERSHIPS REQUIRED - CAN BE PURCHASED AT REGISTRATION

ENTRY FEE: BOTH SECTIONS + SIDE EVENT: \$20 (Add \$10 after November 9th)

Register online at <http://www.onlineregistration.cc>

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OPEN SECTION

REG: 9:00-9:40 A.M. Regist

TL: G-75;d5

RDS: 10:00 - 1:00 - 3:45 - 6:30

OPEN PRIZES

1st PLACE: Title + Large Trophy

2nd PLACE: Large Trophy

Trophies for: TOP B, C, D, E, UNR

RESERVE SECTION (U1000/UNR)

REG: 9:00-9:40 A.M.

TL: G-75;d5

RDS: 10:00 - 1:00 - 3:45 - 6:30

RESERVE PRIZES

1st PLACE: Large Trophy

2nd PLACE: Large Trophy

Trophies for: TOP U800, U600, U400, UNR

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PRIZES: Trophies to 1st, 2nd, Top U/1400, U/1200, U/1000, U/800

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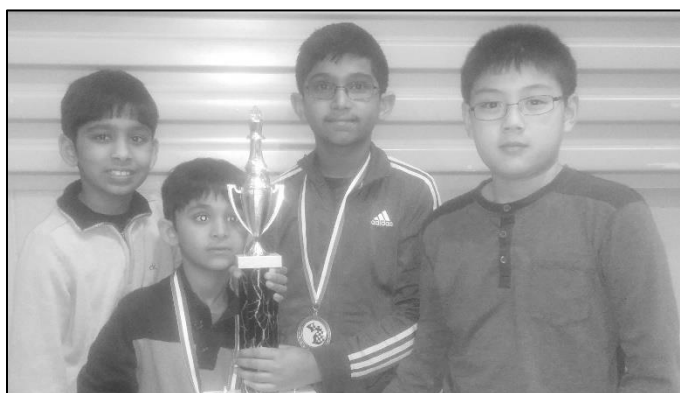
2016 Michigan Elementary Team K-5 Championship Prizewinners



Champion: Gallimore Knights



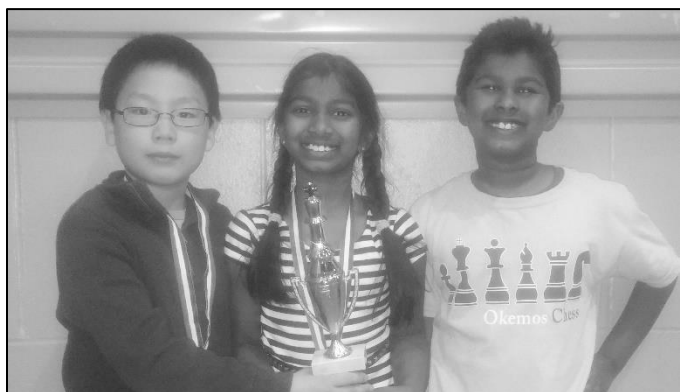
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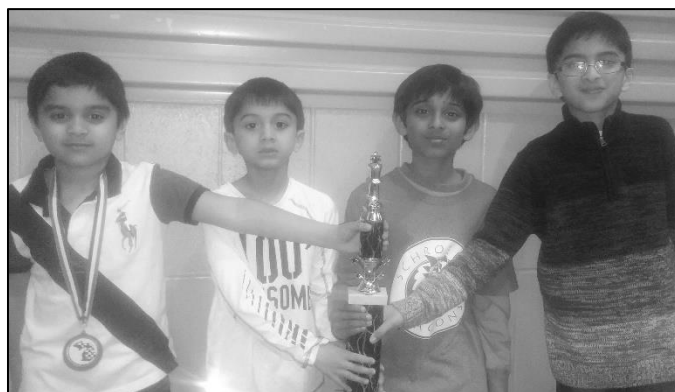
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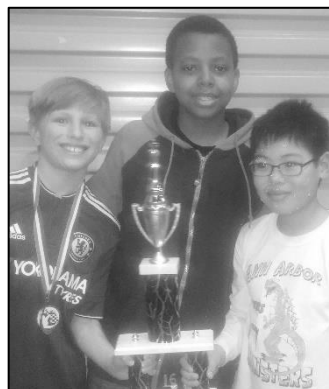
6th Place: AA Bach Bengals



3rd Place: Okemos Central



8th Place: Schroeder Stars



7th Place: AA King Carlsen / 10th Place: Mi New Century Chinese School



2016 Michigan Elementary Team K-5 Reserve – Team Crosstable

No.	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
1	St Isaac Jogues K-5R	190	W12 [3.0]	W3 [3.0]	W2 [3.0]	W5 [4.0]	W7 [4.0]	5.0
2	Lakeside Collins	241	W11 [4.0]	W4 [3.0]	L1 [1.0]	W7 [3.0]	D3 [2.0]	3.5
3	AA King Kasparov	260	W13 [3.0]	L1 [1.0]	W10 [3.0]	W9 [4.0]	D2 [2.0]	3.5
4	Roeper K-5R Team 1	299	W14 [4.0]	L2 [1.0]	L5 [1.0]	W10 [4.0]	W12 [4.0]	3.0
5	Lakeside Yates	200	W10 [2.5]	D6 [2.0]	W4 [3.0]	L1 [0.0]	D8 [2.0]	3.0
6	Roeper K-5R Team 2	300	W9 [3.0]	D5 [2.0]	L7 [1.0]	L12 [1.0]	W14 [3.5]	2.5
7	AA Dicken	170	D8 [2.0]	W14 [4.0]	W6 [3.0]	L2 [1.0]	L1 [0.0]	2.5
8	University Prep K-5R	261	D7 [2.0]	L9 [1.0]	D11 [2.0]	W13 [3.0]	D5 [2.0]	2.5
9	Roberts Rooks B	180	L6 [1.0]	W8 [3.0]	W12 [2.0]	L3 [0.0]	D11 [2.0]	2.5
10	Musson Team 2	Unr	L5 [1.5]	W11 [3.0]	L3 [1.0]	L4 [0.0]	W13 [2.5]	2.0
11	Roeper K-5R Team 3	149	L2 [0.0]	L10 [1.0]	D8 [2.0]	W14 [2.5]	D9 [2.0]	2.0
12	Musson Team 1	Unr	L1 [1.0]	W13 [2.0]	L9 [1.0]	W6 [3.0]	L4 [0.0]	2.0
13	Roeper K-5R Team 4	168	L3 [1.0]	L12 [1.0]	D14 [2.0]	L8 [1.0]	L10 [0.5]	0.5
14	Lincoln-King Academy	176	L4 [0.0]	L7 [0.0]	D13 [2.0]	L11 [1.5]	L6 [0.5]	0.5

2016 Michigan Elementary Team K-5 Reserve – Individual Crosstable

No.	Name	Team	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
1	Nick Collins	Lakeside Collins	517	W19	W16	W33	W45	W6	5.0
2	Marie Niles	St Isaac Jogues K-5R	215	W38	W13	W41	W5	W47	5.0
3	Michael Niles	St Isaac Jogues K-5R	165	W32	W14	W15	W50	W45	5.0
4	Brandon Korte	St Isaac Jogues K-5R	115	WF	W28	W54	W18	W20	5.0
5	Natalie Yates	Lakeside Yates	185	W21	W48	W17	L2	W22	4.0
6	Ziyad Emara	AA King Kasparov	335	W39	W33	W29	W34	L1	4.0
7	Chase Follis	Roberts Rooks B	232	W48	W22	W38	L13	W49	4.0
8	Sam Keuten	Roeper K-5R Team 1	378	W51	L15	W50	W30	W32	4.0
9	Brailen Wilson	Roeper K-5R Team 2	233	WF	W18	L20	WF	W37	4.0
10	Alexandros Simecek	Roeper K-5R Team 1	115	W37	W24	L18	WF	WF	4.0
11	Tadeusz Potocki	Roeper K-5R Team 2	379	W35	W50	W45	L32	W51	4.0
12	Jack Hulén	Roeper K-5R Team 4	168	W14	W32	W51	L25	D30	3.5
13	Kevin Song	AA King Kasparov	235	W52	L2	L21	W7	W41	3.0
14	Crystal Wu	AA King Kasparov	285	L12	L3	W30	W35	W15	3.0
15	William O'Malley	Lakeside Collins	239	W46	W8	L3	W47	L14	3.0
16	Hollis Perry	Roeper K-5R Team 1	495	W53	L1	L31	W29	W23	3.0
17	Katie Park	Roeper K-5R Team 1	209	W43	L41	L5	W21	W38	3.0
18	Dana Goedken	Lakeside Yates	105	WF	L9	W10	L4	W42	3.0
19	Signe Smith	Roeper K-5R Team 3	277	L1	L29	W36	W53	W34	3.0
20	Nathen Riling	AA Dicken	Unr	---	W37	W9	W54	L4	3.0
21	Adam Benchbana	Musson Team 2	Unr	L5	W49	W13	L17	W52	3.0
22	Karrington Cobb	University Prep K-5R	147	W47	L7	W49	W52	L5	3.0
23	Parker Eleccko	Musson Team 1	Unr	W33	W39	L34	W40	L16	3.0
24	Carter Barnes	Lakeside Collins	53	W27	L10	---	W26	X28	3.0
25	Kaitlin Cobb	University Prep K-5R	308	L45	L35	W46	W12	W50	3.0
26	Alexander Hsu	AA Dicken	101	W42	W43	W48	L24	---	3.0
27	Jacob Beveridge	Roeper K-5R Team 3	109	L24	WF	W42	L37	WF	3.0
28	Eann Yoon	AA King Kasparov	185	WF	L4	WF	WF	F24	3.0
29	Kevin Yang	Musson Team 2	Unr	D31	W19	L6	L16	W39	2.5
30	Wesley Chong	Musson Team 2	Unr	W50	W46	L14	L8	D12	2.5
31	Hope Yates	Lakeside Yates	253	D29	W40	W16	L33	L36	2.5
32	Anna Avrutsky	Musson Team 1	Unr	L3	L12	W35	W11	L8	2.0
33	Alex Rihacek	St Isaac Jogues K-5R	265	L23	L6	L1	W31	W44	2.0
34	Gage Gillis	Roberts Rooks B	196	L40	W36	W23	L6	L19	2.0
35	Grant Shovlin	Roberts Rooks B	113	L11	W25	L32	L14	W46	2.0
36	Carley Brooks	University Prep K-5R	463	W44	L34	L19	L39	W31	2.0
37	Shane Crumsey	Lincoln-King Academy	103	L10	L20	WF	W27	L9	2.0
38	Carson Eleccko	Musson Team 1	Unr	L2	W52	L7	W48	L17	2.0
39	Wesley Billings	Roeper K-5R Team 4	218	L6	L23	W53	W36	L29	2.0
40	Carter Kampani	Roeper K-5R Team 2	295	W34	L31	L44	L23	W53	2.0
41	Payton Chihak	Lakeside Collins	103	W49	W17	L2	---	L13	2.0
42	Cayley Brooks	University Prep K-5R	126	L26	WF	L27	WF	L18	2.0
43	Terry Fears	Lincoln-King Academy	109	L17	L26	W52	D49	D48	2.0
44	Mihir Naik	AA Dicken	268	L36	W53	W40	---	L33	2.0
45	Ire Odetola	AA Dicken	203	W25	---	L11	L1	L3	1.0
46	Alexander Tar	Roeper K-5R Team 3	104	L15	L30	L25	W51	L35	1.0
47	Lere Odetola	AA Dicken	107	L22	W51	---	L15	L2	1.0
48	Salem Maguire	Roeper K-5R Team 2	292	L7	L5	L26	L38	D43	0.5
49	Gabriella Webster	Roeper K-5R Team 3	107	L41	L21	L22	D43	L7	0.5
50	Sarah Morris	Lakeside Yates	255	L30	L11	L8	L3	L25	0.0
51	Emmanuel Robbins	Lincoln-King Academy	201	L8	L47	L12	L46	L11	0.0
52	Kaitlyn Gruber	Roeper K-5R Team 4	118	L13	L38	L43	L22	L21	0.0

No.	Name	Team	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
53	Stevae Crumsey	Lincoln-King Academy	293	L16	L44	L39	L19	L40	0.0
54	Andres Escalona	Lakeside Collins	105	---	---	L4	L20	---	0.0

2016 Michigan Elementary Team K-5 Reserve Prizewinners



Champion: St Isaac Jogues K-5R



3rd Place: AA King Kasparov



2nd Place: Lakeside Collins



4th Place: Roeper K-5R Team 1



6th Place: Roeper K-5R Team 2

2016 Michigan Primary Team K-3 Championship – Team Crosstable

No.	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
1	Barnard Elem	476	W9 [3.5]	W5 [4.0]	W3 [3.0]	D2 [2.0]	W4 [4.0]	4.5
2	AA King Kramnik	390	W6 [4.0]	D3 [2.0]	W7 [4.0]	D1 [2.0]	W5 [2.5]	4.0
3	Roeper K-3C	578	W4 [2.5]	D2 [2.0]	L1 [1.0]	W8 [3.0]	W9 [4.0]	3.5
4	Roberts Rooks C	336	L3 [1.5]	W8 [3.0]	D5 [2.0]	W6 [4.0]	L1 [0.0]	2.5
5	AA STEAM K-3C	304	W7 [3.0]	L1 [0.0]	D4 [2.0]	W10 [3.0]	L2 [1.5]	2.5
6	AA Bach Bengals K-3C	265	L2 [0.0]	W9 [3.0]	W8 [4.0]	L4 [0.0]	D10 [2.0]	2.5
7	Roberts Rooks D	392	L5 [1.0]	W10 [3.0]	L2 [0.0]	D9 [2.0]	L8 [1.0]	1.5
8	Okemos Cornell K-3c	385	D10 [1.5]	L4 [1.0]	L6 [0.0]	L3 [1.0]	W7 [3.0]	1.5
9	Cornerstone Nevada K-3C	315	L1 [0.5]	L6 [1.0]	W10 [2.5]	D7 [2.0]	L3 [0.0]	1.5
10	Okemos Hiawatha K-3c	244	D8 [1.5]	L7 [1.0]	L9 [1.5]	L5 [1.0]	D6 [2.0]	1.0

2016 Michigan Primary Team K-3 Championship – Individual Crosstable

No.	Name	Team	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
1	Roshan Shah	Roeper K-3C	914	W27	W9	W18	W32	W8	5.0
2	Thomas Wang	AA King Kramnik	359	W22	W31	W29	W6	W24	5.0
3	Nikhil Srinivasan	Barnard Elem	556	W37	W34	W11	W5	W21	5.0
4	Tanush Nanaware	Barnard Elem	305	W28	W16	W13	W26	W12	5.0
5	Will He	AA King Kramnik	409	W15	W11	W23	L3	W34	4.0
6	Nurayda Albeez	Barnard Elem	355	W39	W24	W31	L2	W10	4.0
7	Aaroosh Patil	Okemos Hiawatha K-3c	79	W25	W23	W39	L24	W22	4.0
8	Milton Jennings	Cornerstone Nevada K-3C	569	D18	W35	W20	W33	L1	3.5
9	Katelyn Lu	AA King Kramnik	483	W35	L1	W33	W18	D19	3.5
10	Owen Aeck	Roberts Rooks C	367	D31	W25	W34	W22	L6	3.5
11	Amir Thompson	Roeper K-3C	519	W21	L5	L3	W14	W37	3.0
12	Gwen Gillis	Roberts Rooks C	278	W13	WF	L16	W17	L4	3.0
13	Henry Billings	Roeper K-3C	368	L12	W26	L4	WF	W28	3.0
14	Alex Zhang	Okemos Cornell K-3c	351	W38	W21	L15	L11	W23	3.0
15	Elizabeth Min	AA Bach Bengals K-3C	315	L5	W37	W14	L21	W38	3.0
16	Mason Gal	AA STEAM K-3C	Unr	---	L4	W12	WF	W26	3.0
17	Kai Whitacre	AA Bach Bengals K-3C	206	L26	W28	WF	L12	WF	3.0
18	Vishnav Ramesh	Barnard Elem	686	D8	W19	L1	L9	W27	2.5
19	Andrew Lyon	AA STEAM K-3C	484	W33	L18	W27	L20	D9	2.5
20	Jason Wang	Okemos Hiawatha K-3c	525	D32	L33	L8	W19	W35	2.5
21	Nicholas Jimenez	Roberts Rooks C	109	L11	L14	W36	W15	L3	2.0
22	Zoren Bhabhrwala	AA Bach Bengals K-3C	Unr	L2	W39	W25	L10	L7	2.0
23	Paul Jimenez	Roberts Rooks D	417	W36	L7	L5	W37	L14	2.0
24	Amber Weaver	AA STEAM K-3C	110	W30	L6	---	W7	L2	2.0
25	Eric Zhang	Okemos Cornell K-3c	301	L7	L10	L22	W31	W29	2.0
26	Hugo Wang	AA King Kramnik	309	W17	L13	W30	L4	L16	2.0
27	Ben Miller	Roberts Rooks C	589	L1	W32	L19	W35	L18	2.0
28	Darnell Hall	Cornerstone Nevada K-3C	215	L4	L17	WF	W30	L13	2.0
29	Jaylen Jarbo	Roberts Rooks D	367	L34	W38	L2	W39	L25	2.0
30	Broden Lincoln	Roberts Rooks D	317	L24	WF	L26	L28	WF	2.0
31	Lucas Maier	Roeper K-3C	513	D10	L2	L6	L25	W39	1.5
32	David Parker	Okemos Cornell K-3c	503	D20	L27	L35	L1	W33	1.5
33	Muskeen Talwar	Roberts Rooks D	467	L19	W20	L9	L8	L32	1.0
34	Aiden Kang	AA STEAM K-3C	390	W29	L3	L10	---	L5	1.0
35	Luke Tremblay	AA Bach Bengals K-3C	274	L9	L8	W32	L27	L20	1.0
36	Jacob Ilgen	AA STEAM K-3C	231	L23	---	L21	W38	---	1.0
37	Solomon Spann	Cornerstone Nevada K-3C	225	L3	L15	D38	L23	L11	0.5
38	Sanath Madala	Okemos Hiawatha K-3c	129	L14	L29	D37	L36	L15	0.5
39	Judah Smith	Cornerstone Nevada K-3C	250	L6	L22	L7	L29	L31	0.0

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9th Place: Cornerstone Nevada K-3C

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No.	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
1	Lakeside Barnes	101	W9 [3.5]	W8 [3.5]	W7 [3.0]	L2 [1.0]	W6 [2.5]	4.0
2	University Prep Elem	131	W5 [3.0]	D6 [2.0]	W4 [3.0]	W1 [3.0]	L3 [1.5]	3.5
3	SL Jeffers K-3R	Unr	W8 [3.0]	L7 [1.5]	W6 [3.0]	D5 [2.0]	W2 [2.5]	3.5
4	AA Lawton Leopards	Unr	L6 [1.5]	W9 [4.0]	L2 [1.0]	W10 [4.0]	W7 [3.0]	3.0
5	AA Thurston Herons	Unr	L2 [1.0]	W10 [4.0]	D9 [2.0]	D3 [2.0]	W8 [3.0]	3.0
6	AA King Karpov	Unr	W4 [2.5]	D2 [2.0]	L3 [1.0]	W7 [3.5]	L1 [1.5]	2.5
7	AA Daycroft K-3C	135	W10 [4.0]	W3 [2.5]	L1 [1.0]	L6 [0.5]	L4 [1.0]	2.0
8	Chrysler K-3R	124	L3 [1.0]	L1 [0.5]	W10 [4.0]	W9 [2.5]	L5 [1.0]	2.0
9	Cornerstone Nevada K-3R1	Unr	L1 [0.5]	L4 [0.0]	D5 [2.0]	L8 [1.5]	W10 [4.0]	1.5
10	Cornerstone Nevada K-3R2	Unr	L7 [0.0]	L5 [0.0]	L8 [0.0]	L4 [0.0]	L9 [0.0]	0.0

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No.	Name	Team	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
1	Nolan Story	University Prep Elem	60	W8	W18	W26	W31	W17	5.0
2	Eli Laberteaux	AA Lawton Leopards	Unr	W24	W20	W10	W38	W23	5.0
3	Alexander Barnes	Lakeside Barnes	Unr	W36	W34	W23	W22	W11	5.0
4	Adhrit Bharath	AA Daycroft K-3C	110	W39	W17	W14	L18	W26	4.0
5	Ethan Brown	SL Jeffers K-3R	Unr	W27	W23	W24	L12	W10	4.0
6	Rowan Hayenga	SL Jeffers K-3R	Unr	W34	L25	W11	W15	W22	4.0

No.	Name	Team	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
7	Faith Harrell	Chrysler K-3R	101	W33	L32	WF	W28	W21	4.0
8	Aaron Weiner	AA Thurston Herons	Unr	L1	W39	W30	D17	W35	3.5
9	Olivia Tao	AA Lawton Leopards	Unr	D13	W36	L19	WF	W29	3.5
10	Theodore Baloh	University Prep Elem	345	W12	W24	L2	W37	L5	3.0
11	Timothy T Wang	AA King Karpov	Unr	W16	W22	L6	W25	L3	3.0
12	Nicolas Casey	AA Thurston Herons	Unr	L10	W38	L20	W5	W27	3.0
13	Natalie Lu	AA King Karpov	Unr	D9	W19	W33	D29	L14	3.0
14	Miles Lou	Lakeside Barnes	Unr	W28	W35	L4	---	W13	3.0
15	Adeola Adefeso	AA Thurston Herons	Unr	L22	W40	W36	L6	W34	3.0
16	Theo Park	AA Lawton Leopards	Unr	L11	W30	L22	W40	W25	3.0
17	Lily Geyer	SL Jeffers K-3R	Unr	W35	L4	W18	D8	L1	2.5
18	Ryan Wu	AA King Karpov	Unr	W26	L1	L17	W4	D31	2.5
19	Samuel Cobb	University Prep Elem	10	L21	L13	W9	W32	D33	2.5
20	Mason Marsh	Cornerstone Nevada K-3R 1	Unr	L37	L2	W12	D27	W38	2.5
21	Leleida Woods	AA Thurston Herons	Unr	W19	WF	L28	D33	L7	2.5
22	Maxwell Baloh	University Prep Elem	110	W15	L11	W16	L3	L6	2.0
23	Maxwell Maley	AA Daycroft K-3C	210	W38	L5	W3	L24	L2	2.0
24	Andrew Q Wang	AA King Karpov	Unr	L2	L10	L5	W23	W37	2.0
25	Deeksha Sriram	AA Daycroft K-3C	160	W40	W6	L31	L11	L16	2.0
26	Timothy Wang	AA Lawton Leopards	Unr	L18	W28	L1	W39	L4	2.0
27	Braylon Fields	Chrysler K-3R	144	L5	D37	W38	D20	L12	2.0
28	Shelby Stoudamire	Cornerstone Nevada K-3R 1	Unr	L14	L26	W21	L7	WF	2.0
29	Nihaal Singh	AA Daycroft K-3C	60	WF	D33	L32	D13	L9	2.0
30	Makynzie Waters	Cornerstone Nevada K-3R 1	Unr	D31	L16	L8	D35	W39	2.0
31	Asher Pereira	Lakeside Barnes	Unr	D30	---	W25	L1	D18	2.0
32	Nathaniel Austin	Lakeside Barnes	Unr	---	W7	W29	L19	---	2.0
33	Adebayo Adams	SL Jeffers K-3R	Unr	L7	D29	L13	D21	D19	1.5
34	Foxx Williams	Chrysler K-3R	134	L6	L3	W40	D36	L15	1.5
35	Kendall Foster	Chrysler K-3R	119	L17	L14	W39	D30	L8	1.5
36	Marcus Stewart	Cornerstone Nevada K-3R 1	Unr	L3	L9	L15	D34	W40	1.5
37	John O'Malley	Lakeside Barnes	101	W20	D27	---	L10	L24	1.5
38	Maxwell Brown	Cornerstone Nevada K-3R 2	Unr	L23	L12	L27	L2	L20	0.0
39	Kennedy Jennings	Cornerstone Nevada K-3R 2	Unr	L4	L8	L35	L26	L30	0.0
40	Kennedy Brown	Cornerstone Nevada K-3R 2	Unr	L25	L15	L34	L16	L36	0.0

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Games from the 2016 Scholastic Team Events

All Notes by Seth Homa

Keegan Forbes (597)

Ethan Eickhoff (400)

Reti: Old Indian Attack, A06

Two fearless players face off. This game is pure nuts!

1.Nf3 d5 2.d3 Nc6 3.e4 Nf6

I would be tempted to play 3...dxe4 4.dxe4 Qxd1+ 5.Kxd1 and White can no longer castle.

4.exd5 Nxd5 5.c4 Nf6 6.Bf4 g6 7.Be5?!

White told me that they liked knights more than bishops. While that is nice, it still depends on the position! Here the center is very open and so bishops are more valuable than knights at this particular moment.

7...Bg7

7...Nxe5! 8.Nxe5 Qd4!? was possible. 9.Qe2 is nearly forced if White wants to keep all his material intact. Meanwhile, the bishop on f1 is suddenly very displeased about the whole matter.

8.Nc3 0-0 9.Bxf6 Bxf6 10.h4

Very aggressive, which I like! However, as Black is the one who has better control of the center (take a look at the d4-square), I must confess that this blunt attempt to give checkmate should not work.

10...Ne5

10...Bg4! would have been strong, halting the h-pawn's advance and cementing his control over the d4-square. Black would have a big advantage.

11.Nxe5 Bxe5 12.g3 e6?

I do not like this one. Black imprisons his own light-squared bishop.

13.f4 Bd6

It would have been safer to play 13...Bg7 as a fianchettoed bishop provides the king with extra shelter from a storm.

14.Ne4 Bb4+ 15.Nd2 c6 16.a3 Bd6

17.Ne4 Bc7 18.Bg2 e5!

Very strong. A flank attack should be met with play in the center.

19.fxe5 Bxe5

Black's pieces have been activated and White's king is feeling the heat.

20.0-0 f5 21.Nc5? Bxg3

Tunnel vision! Black got distracted by checkmate ideas on the kingside and missed a free piece. 21...Bd4+; 21...Qd4+

22.Qe2 Qxh4

Again, either check on d4 would have won the knight. Still, White is in a lot of trouble.

23.Bf3 b6

This time 23...Qd4+ 24.Kg2 Qxc5 25.Kxg3 would see White win the piece back!

24.Bxc6 Ba6?

Strange! 24...Rb8 was safe, simple and strong.

25.Bd5+ Kg7 26.Ne6+

White is right back in the game.

26...Kg8?

26...Kh8 was best, avoiding discovered check attacks.

27.Nxf8+

And just like that, White is winning! The fun isn't over yet, however!

27...Kxf8 28.Bxa8 h5 29.Rf1

White is up so much material that giving a little back wouldn't hurt. A good observation! More trades mean an easier win.

29...g5 30.Bf3

White misses mate. 30.Qe8+ Kg7 31.Qd7+! Kh6 32.Re6#

30...g4 31.Qe8+ Kg7 32.Re7+ Kf6

Black's king turns out to be as slippery as an eel.

33.Qf7+ Kg5 34.Qg7+ Kf4 35.Qd4+

White again misses mate, but as before, it was not so easy to spot. 35.Qh6+! Qg5 36.Qd6+ Kxf3 37.Rf1+ Bf2+ 38.Rxf2#

35...Kg5 36.Rg7+ Kh6

Black has played incredibly well to stay alive! Meanwhile, his threatening bishop and queen on the kingside always promise some chance of pulling out a win should White make just one small misstep.

37.Rxa7 Qh2+ 38.Kf1

Mate in one is threatened on g7.

38...Bxc4? 39.dxc4?

Both players missed it!!

39...gxf3? 40.Qxb6+ Kg5 41.Qe3+ Kf6 42.Ra6+

42.Qe7+ Kg6 43.Qg7# was another missed checkmate.

42...Kf7

The black king just refuses to die!

43.Qa7+?

Never move your queen to the edge of the board when a central queen move is even stronger. It gives the queen less options if she's at the edge. 43.Qe6+! followed by Ra7+ or Ra8+.

43...Kf8 44.Rc6??

The chance that Black was waiting for!

44...Qh1+

Oh no! Well, Black is still winning even after this move. 44...Qg2# was checkmate!!

45.Qg1 Qg2+??

My heart bleeds for Black. Such a great defensive effort deserved a better fate. 45...Qh3+! 46.Qg2 Qxg2# would have won.

46.Qxg2 fxxg2+ 47.Kxg2

Now there is no real chance for Black to hold and White went on to win.

47...h4 48.Rd1 h3+

Playing for stalemate. Not a bad try.

49.Kxg3 h2 50.Kxh2 f4 51.Rc7! Ke8 52.Kg2 f3+ 53.Kxf3 Kf8 54.Rd8# 1-0

A terrific battle by both players. Very entertaining!

Adhvaith Rajanish (774)

Luigi Milani (889)

Queen's Gambit Declined Exchange,
D35

This game is a good example of meeting flank attacks with strong play in the center.

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.cxd5 exd5 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.Bf4 Bd6 6.Bxd6 Qxd6 7.Nf3 0-0 8.e3 Bg4 9.h3 Bh5 10.g4!?

This g-pawn lunge is not completely bad (top level chess sees this move all over the place these days), but this enterprising move must be followed up correctly or else it is very weakening. The pros know which rules to break and when to break them.

10...Bg6 11.Bd3

11.Ne5 may have been stronger. One typical idea is 11...Nbd7 12.Nxg6 hxg6 13.Bg2 With the bishop on the g2-square, White could still consider castling kingside. The bishop lends some cover for the king.

11...Bxd3 12.Qxd3 Re8!

Black meets White's flank attack with purposeful play in the center. The rook comes to a semi-open file and prepares to plant the knight into the juicy e4-square.

13.0-0-0

Castling kingside was no longer an option after the exchange of light-squared bishops.

13...Ne4!

A really annoying knight. There is a fork threatened on f2 and White cannot take the intruder on e4 because a pawn fork would result instead!

14.Qc2 Nc6

The position is roughly equal.

15.Nb5?!

In chess, you really want to avoid making these 1-move threats that do not really improve your position. Black is going to move his queen back and then what is the knight doing on the b5-square? Not much!

15...Qd7

Already White has to worry about discovered attacks on his b5-knight.

16.Ne5??

Except that he doesn't! Oops.

16...Nxe5 17.Nxc7

It is hard to say what White should do. If 17.dxe5 then 17...Qxb5 would win a piece.

17...Rac8!

The white queen and king are lined up on an open file. This always makes a rook very happy.

18.Kb1 Rxc7 19.Qd3 Nxf2

Black was so happy to get a chance to fork all the major pieces that he missed the free queen on d3!

20.Qf1 Nxh1 21.Qxh1 Nc4 22.Qe1 Rxe3 23.Qf2 Qb5

One of the main advantages of being up material (especially in extra pieces) is that you can use this advantage to launch a direct attack against the enemy king. Black does just that.

24.Rc1

Around here Black starts missing some faster wins but the final result is never in doubt.

24...Rf3

Flashy but unnecessary. 24...Na3+ 25.Ka1 Rxc1#

25.Qe2

25.Qxf3? Nd2+ was Black's idea.

25...Re7

More flash!

26.Qc2

26.Qxe7?? Qxb2#

26...Rc3?

This time Black pushes his creativity a little too far!! 26...Na3+ would have won the queen with mate soon to follow.

27.Qxc3 Re3

Fortunately Black is still winning. White cannot hold his position after this crushing move.

28.Qc2

One idea was 28.Qxe3? playing for tricks. 28...Qxb2# (28...Nxe3?? would have been met with 29.Rc8+ Qe8 30.Rxe8#!) Whoops!)

28...Na3+

Now Black finds it!

29.Ka1 Nxc2+ 30.Kb1 Re1 31.Kxc2 Qc4+

31...Re2+ with mate in one next move.

32.Kd2 Qxc1+ 33.Kd3 Qe3+

33...Re3#!

34.Kc2 Re2+

34...Rc1#!

35.Kb1 Qg1# 0-1

A nice game!

Luca Milani (290)

Abhinav Rajamish (262)

King's Pawn, C50

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Nh6 4.0-0 Bc5 5.d3 Na5 6.Bb5 c6 7.Ba4 b5 8.Bb3 Nxb3 9.axb3 0-0 10.Bxb6 Qf6??

Luca explained to me that Black didn't want to take the bishop because it would ruin Black's king position. However true that may be, you cannot win if you are down a piece!! Black had to recapture and hope for the best.

11.Bg5 Qg6 12.Nc3 Bb4 13.Ne2!

I really like how White plays the next phase of the game. This knight is heading to the beautiful f5-square where it will begin to create threats around Black's king.

13...Bb7 14.Ng3 f6 15.Bh4

This move I have to disagree with. The bishop only stares at the f6-pawn. Better would have been 15.Be3

15...Qg4 16.Nf5 g5??

The next move was probably a rude surprise to Black.

17.Nh6+!

Oops! There goes the queen.

17...Kg7 18.Nxg4 gxh4 19.Nxh4

White makes excellent use of his extra attacking power (namely, the queen) to end the game quickly.

19...h5 20.Nf5+ Kh8 21.Ngh6 Kh7 22.Qxh5 d5 23.Nf7+ Kg8 24.Ne7+

Winning, but unnecessary!!

24...Bxe7 25.Qg6# 1-0

This mate was possible the last move, too. Good game!

Luigi Milani (889)

Tamyre Watkins (998)

Ruy Lopez: Exchange, C68

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Bxc6 dxc6!

The correct recapture.

5.Nxe5 Nf6?

Oh no! This is not good. 5...Qd4! would have regained the pawn thanks to the double attack on White's knight and e4-pawn.

6.Qf3 Bd6 7.Nc4 Bg4 8.Nxd6+ cxd6 9.Qb3 Qe7 10.0-0 Nxe4?

I know that Black really wanted to get the pawn back, but opening the e-file like this (with Re1 a possibility) always sends a shiver down my spine. Even worse, White has....

11.f3!

...winning a piece. This tactical pattern is called a "fork".

11...Nxd2 12.Bxd2 Be6 13.Qc3 0-0 14.Re1 Qf6 15.Qxf6 gxf6 16.Bf4 d5 17.Nc3

White is winning.

17...Rfe8 18.Na4 b5 19.Nc5

This is one of the best knights that I have ever seen. This is due, in large part, to Black being unable to dislodge the knight from c5.

19...d4 20.Nxe6?

Oh no! Not for that ugly bishop on e6! I know, I know...the rule is "When up in material, trade pieces not pawns". This is a good rule, but every rule has an exception. Here, White straightens out Black's pawn structure and gives his

opponent massive control of the center. Better would have been something like 20.Rad1

20...fxe6 21.Rad1 c5 22.Bd6 Rac8 23.g4 e5!

The bishop has suddenly gone from being the hunter to the hunted.

24.b4!

Without this move, White's bishop was in serious danger of being lost.

24...Rc6?

Black had done well to fight back but here makes a mistake. 24...cxb4! was best, when Black has some chances of turning the game around thanks to the weak c2-pawn.

25.Bxc5

After this, there was not much hope left of saving the game but Black fought valiantly to the end anyway. As one should!

25...Rcc8 26.Rc1 a5 27.c4 dxc3 28.Rxc3 axb4 29.Bxb4 Kf7 30.f4 Rc4 31.Rxc4 bxc4 32.fxe5 fxe5 33.Bc3 e4 34.Kf2 Ke6 35.Rxe4+ Kd7 36.Rxe8 Kxe8 37.Ke3 Kf7 38.Kf4 Kg6 39.a4 h5 40.gxh5+ Kxh5 41.a5 Kh4 42.a6 Kh3 43.a7 Kxh2 44.a8Q

Black now played the illegal

44...Kg2!?

And White, in his excitement, responded with the interesting

45.Qf3+!?

The game concluded in checkmate after:

45...Kg1 46.Bd4+ Kh2 47.Qg3+ Kh1 48.Qg1# 0-1

These kind of oversights are not that rare when both players know a checkmate is coming soon and are making their moves quickly.

Khalil Holiness (821)

Marcello Milani (738)

Giuoco Piano: Four Knights, C50

1.e4 e5 2.Bc4 Bc5 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 Nc6 5.d3 d6 6.h3 0-0 7.0-0 Be6 8.Nd5 a6 9.Re1 b5 10.Bb3 a5 11.a4 Bb4?!

This is one of those one-move attacks that don't really help one's position. It's best to stay away from making these kinds of moves.

12.c3!

This is actually very useful for White, who can now look forward to playing d3-d4 with complete control of the center.

12...bxa4 13.Rxa4 Bc5 14.Bg5

This pin on the f6-knight is the Terror of the Michigan Scholastic Circuit.

14...h6?

Not a good reaction. White now wins a pawn in typical fashion. Black should

maybe have improved his rook with 14...Rb8 ; Or moved his king into the corner with 14...Kh8 as the g-file will soon be opened.

15.Nxf6+!

The correct capture.

15...gxf6 16.Bxb6

Not only has White won a pawn, but Black's king is now very exposed.

16...Re8 17.d4!

Very energetic. Bravo!

17...exd4 18.Nxd4 Bxd4 19.cxd4 Bxb3?

Black was probably lost in any case, but this allows White's next move.

20.Qg4+ Kh7 21.Qg7# 1-0

Khalil went on to win his last two games to finish the event with a perfect 5-0 score. Congratulations! What a rampage!

Antonio Valdivia-Bush (1180)

Brelen Wilkes (1067)

Queen's Pawn: Chigorin, D00

A very interesting positional game. Everyone loves a good tactical, sacrificial attack, but in some ways it is more impressive to see a slow, steady, grinding win. White achieves exactly this in the game we are about to see.

1.d4 d5 2.Nc3 e6 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.Bf4 Nf6 5.e3 a6 6.Bd3 Bd6 7.0-0 0-0 8.a3 Bxf4 9.exf4

White's doubled pawns are not weak at all here. Instead, they give him extra control of the e5-square and lock the c8-bishop in permanently.

9...h6 10.Ne2!

A deep move. White sees that the knight is actually not that active on c3 and is moving the knight to a better home. Meanwhile, he can support his d4-pawn better by using the c-pawn. Smart!

10...b6 11.b4

Gaining more space and making ...c5 harder to achieve for Black. That's what positional chess is all about - improving your own position little by little and making your opponent's position harder and harder to play. It's not very "flashy" chess, but believe me - it is just as deadly as a strong kingside attack.

11...Bb7 12.c3 Qd6 13.Ne5!

White has an iron grip in the center and Black's bishop is very bad with little hope of a better future.

13...Ne4!

Black is seeking to exchange some pieces. A good idea when you have less space.

14.Qc2!

Taking on e4 would only have helped Black's bishop.

14...Nxe5 15.fxe5 Qe7 16.f3 Ng5 17.Kf2?

Very creative, but it lets Black back in the game. 17.h4! would have rewarded White's strong positional play with a gain of material. The knight actually has nowhere to go!

17...f5! 18.Nf4 Qf7 19.g3 Rfc8

Black prepares for ...c5 to free his position.

20.h4

White now has a space advantage all across the board. Black is being strangled to death. On the chessboard. Not in real life. I hope. That would be against the rules and also not very nice in general.

20...Nh7 21.Qb3!

Really, really good! White is anticipating ...c5 and sees that he will be able to fight for the open b-file.

21...c5 22.bxc5 bxc5 23.Qc2?

A serious misstep!

23...c4?

Black returns the favor. White was calculating some stuff with 23...cxd4 24.Nxe6?! but it doesn't work.

24.Be2

White has his big advantage again and doesn't give Black another chance.

24...Rc6 25.Qb1

Attention returns to the b-file. Both sides battle for it with all they have, but the bishop is in Black's way.

25...Qc7 26.Ra2! Rb6 27.Rb2 Rxb2

28.Qxb2 Bc8 29.Rb1

White has won the b-file battle.

29...Qc6 30.Qb6

Infiltration.

30...Bd7

Black loses a pawn after this, but I hesitate to call it a blunder due to the heavy pressure Black was under.

31.Qxc6 Bxc6 32.Nxe6 Bd7 33.Nc5 Nf8 34.h5!

Extraordinary patience! White is in no rush and simply improves his position little by little. The exclamation mark is more for the maturity shown by this move rather than its actual strength (although it has some of that, too).

34...Bc6 35.Rb6

The viking ship has come ashore.

35...Bb5 36.Bd1!

Very nice. White is threatening a3-a4 to win the a6-pawn.

36...Nd7 37.Nxd7 Bxd7 38.Rd6

The pillaging begins.

38...Be8 39.Rxd5 Bxh5 40.e6 Bg6

41.Rc5 Re8 42.d5! Rd8 43.Be2!

White will take the c4-pawn only when it suits him best. Another mark of an experienced tournament player.

43...Kf8 44.Bxc4 Ke7 45.Rc6 Rd6
46.Rxa6 Rxa6 47.Bxa6 Kd6 48.c4 Be8
49.Bb5 Bg6 50.a4 Kc5 51.a5 Kd6 52.a6
Kc7 53.c5 f4 54.d6+ Kd8 55.g4
Yet more patience!
55...h5 56.a7 Be4 57.fxe4 hgx4 58.a8R#
1-0

A rook! This game was a wonderful positional masterpiece, rarely seen at this level. Bravo!

Talmage Turner (982)
Antonio Valdivia-Bush (1180)
Giucio Piano, C50

In contrast to his round two game, here Antonio shows a total disregard for patience and mates his opponent in 13 moves.

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5

One nice point of this bishop development is that it totally prevents the Fried Liver move Ng5.

4.0-0

If White insists with 4.Ng5?? then there is 4...Qxg5 which would not have been possible with a knight on f6.

4...Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.h3 Qe7 7.d3 Be6 8.Nd5 Qd7 9.Nxf6+

White falls to the temptation of doubling Black's pawns. However, there is a key difference here - there is no Black king on the kingside! He can still swing queenside, leaving Black with a free path (the g-file) straight to White's king.

9...gxf6 10.Be3?

The losing move. As Antonio noted, White should have captured on e6.

10...Bxh3!!

Simply devastating.

11.gxh3 Qxh3

There is no real good answer to the threat of ...Rg8+. It's just over. Chess can be brutal like that.

12.Nh2 Rg8+ 13.Kh1 Qg2# 0-1

Antonio Valdivia-Bush (1180)
Jack Burnham (430)
Queen's Pawn, A45

Notes by Seth Homa

Antonio gets a little lucky.

1.d4 e6 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.Bf4 Bb4 4.Qd3 Nc6 5.g3 Nd5 6.e3?!

Years of chess experience has taught me to always be very careful when cutting off a piece's retreat option.

6...0-0

6...g5!? would have left White having to scramble to save himself from serious material losses. As it turns out, it is in fact possible. 7.e4! Bxc3+ 8.bxc3 Nxf4 9.gxf4 gxf4 White is only slightly worse here.

7.Bg2 Nxc3 8.bxc3 Be7 9.e4

White has lived and now enjoys a nice advantage in the center.

9...d6 10.Ne2 e5 11.Be3 exd4 12.cxd4 Be6 13.d5 Ne5 14.Qc3 Bg4 15.Bd4 Nd7 16.f3 Bh5 17.Bxg7 Re8 18.Rb1 Rb8 19.Bh8?

Remember what I said about leaving your pieces with an escape square?

19...f6!

Uh-oh!

20.Nf4 Kxh8?

No! Black could have played 20...Bf7 and then taken the bishop next move.

21.Nxh5 Rf8 22.g4 c6 23.g5 cxd5 24.exd5 Rg8 25.h4 Ne5 26.f4 Nf7 27.gxf6 Rc8 28.fxe7+ Rxc3 29.exd8Q Rxd8 30.Kd2 Rcc8 31.Rxb7 Nh6 32.Be4 a5 33.Rxh7+ Kg8 34.Rxh6 Re8 35.Nf6+ Kf7 36.Nxe8 Rxe8 37.Bg6+ Kg7 38.Bxe8 Kxh6 39.f5 Kg7 40.h5 Kf8 41.h6 Kxe8 42.h7 Kd7 43.h8Q Kc7 44.Qa8!

An instructive finish. Most players would check check check until mate, possible chasing the black king down the board to b2 or a2 somewhere. Here, White constructs a "mating net", finishing the game more efficiently.

44...Kb6 45.Qc6+

The king is not allowed to escape.

45...Ka7 46.Rh7+ Kb8 47.Qb7# 1-0

Americo Milani (688)
Eric Godbott Jr (900)
Ruy Lopez: Exchange, C68

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Bxc6 bxc6

As discussed elsewhere in this report, the correct recapture here is 4...dxc6

5.0-0 Bd6?!

It is rarely a good idea to develop the bishop to this square. The d-pawn is blocked and the bishop on c8 is blocked.

6.Nc3 Nf6 7.d3 0-0 8.Bg5 Bc5 9.a3

9.Nxe5 maybe?

9...Rb8 10.b4 Bd6 11.h3 h6 12.Bxf6!

This is the correct timing of the capture as the knights are definitely better than the bishops in this closed position.

12...Qxf6 13.Rb1 Re8 14.a4 Re6 15.b5 a5 16.bxc6 Rxb1 17.Qxb1

After the game I suggested the entertaining move 17.cxd7!? but missed that Black had 17...Rb8!

17...dxc6 18.Qb8

White goes after some weak pawns on the queenside.

18...Re8 19.Qa8 Bc5 20.Nh2

White was alert! 20.Qxa5 would have allowed 20...Bb6 followed by ...Bxh3.

20...Qg5 21.Nf3 Qf4 22.Qxc6

Now ...Bxh3 would not work because of the check on e8.

22...Re6 23.Qxc7 Bxf2+

Desperation.

24.Rxf2 Qc1+ 25.Rf1 Qe3+ 26.Kh1 Rg6 27.Qxc8+ Kh7 28.Qf5 f6 29.h4

29.Nh4! was even stronger.

29...h5 30.Qxh5+ Qh6? 31.Qxh6+ Rxh6 32.Nd5 g5 33.c4 gxh4 34.Kh2 Rg6 35.Nxh4 Rh6 36.Nxf6+ Kg7 37.Kh3 Rxf6 38.Rxf6 Kxf6 39.g4 Kg5 40.c5 Kf4 41.c6 Ke3 42.e7 Kxd3 43.c8Q Kxe4 44.g5 Kf4 45.g6 e4 46.g7 e3 47.g8Q e2 48.Qcf8+ Ke3 49.Qf3+ Kd2 50.Qd8+ Ke1 51.Ng2# 1-0

A pretty checkmate! Americo would go on to have a perfect 5 out of 5 score and gain more than 200(!) rating points. Congratulations!!

Rishi Shetty (1440)
Blake Bottesi (1433)
Sicilian: Pin, B40

A wonderful attacking game.

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nc6 5.Nc3 Bb4 6.Nxc6 bxc6 7.Bd2 Nf6 8.Bd3 d5 9.exd5 cxd5 10.0-0 0-0 11.a3 Ba5 12.Re1 Qb6?

I've said it before, and I'll say it again - be very very careful when you take away your piece's ability to retreat!

13.b4!

And that's why. Whoops!

13...Bxb4 14.axb4 a5 15.bxa5 Qc6 16.Qf3 Ba6 17.Bxa6 Qxa6 18.Bh6! Qc4 White's idea was 18...gxh6 19.Qxf6

19.Ra4!

Including all of the pieces into the attack. A golden rule of attacking chess.

19...Qc7 20.Rf4

Strong, but not the best! White increases the heat on Black's kingside. White missed a chance to enter immortality with 20.Qxf6!! gxf6 21.Rg4+ Kh8 22.Bg7+ Kg8 23.Bxf6# The so-called "Morphy mate", named after the great American player Paul Morphy.

20...gxh6 21.Rxf6 Kg7 22.Rxh6!

Nicely calculated!

22...Kxh6 23.Qf6+

The point. Black's king is chased further into White's position. The poor black monarch resembles a fly caught in a spider's web.

23...Kh5 24.Re5+

Black must give up his queen to prevent checkmate.

24...Qxe5 25.Qxe5+ Kg6 26.h4! This excellent move prevents White from getting back-rank checkmated by accident, which is always a good idea in

completely winning positions! There is also a small threat of Qg5 mate.

26...h6 27.Ne2!

White plays the whole game with intelligence. The queen alone will not checkmate the black king. She needs help.

27...Rxa5 28.Nf4+ Kh7 29.Nh5 Kg6 30.g4! f6 31.Qxe6

And White ended the game in a well-deserved victory. The remaining moves were:

31...Ra4 32.Qf5+ Kf7 33.Qxf6+ Ke8 34.Ng7+ Kd7 35.Qxf8 Ra1+ 36.Kg2 Re1 37.Qb4 Re4 38.Qb7+ Kd6 39.Nf5+ Ke5 40.Kg3 h5 41.Qe7#! 1-0

Josiah Smith (1343)

Samay Achar (1271)

Sicilian: Alapin, B22

1.e4 c5 2.c3 Nf6 3.e5 Nd5 4.d4 cxd4 5.cxd4 Nc6 6.Nf3 d6 7.Bb5?

An opening mistake. Maybe White forgot what to play here? 7.Bc4 is more popular and has been played in thousands of games, including a couple by yours truly.

7...Qa5+!

Well spotted!

8.Nc3 Nxc3 9.Bxc6+!

Best in the current circumstances. 9.bxc3?? This would have been truly bad because of 9...Qxb5 winning an entire piece.

9...bxc6 10.bxc3 Qxc3+ 11.Bd2 Qc4!

Another fine move. Black is ahead in material, true, but he is dangerously behind in development. He must retreat his queen, but where should she go? On c4, she prevents White from castling. This is very important as otherwise White would have gotten a very strong attack.

12.exd6 exd6 13.Qc1 Qd3?

A sad blunder after having done so well. Better would have been 13...Ba6! 14.Qxc4 Bxc4 and Black would have been a solid pawn up. The light-squared bishop would soon become a monster on the d5-square, eyeing the whole board.

14.Qxc6+ Kd8 15.Qxa8

The damage has been done. Black fights on and must be applauded for keeping the game alive for as long as he did!

15...Qa6 16.Qe4 g6 17.Bg5+ Kc7 18.Rc1+ Kb8 19.Bd8 Bb7 20.Bc7+ Ka8 21.Qe8+ Bc8 22.Qc6+

22.Rb1! This powerful move would have ended the game immediately.

22...Bb7 23.Qxa6 Bxa6 24.Rb1 Bg7 25.Bxd6 Rd8 26.Bg3 Re8+ 27.Ne5?

Black's refusal to resign has paid off. White finally makes a bad move.

27...f6!

Suddenly Black has a fighting chance.

28.Kd2 fxe5 29.Rhe1 e4 30.Rxe4!

White, on his part, gets over his mistake very quickly. If he had been too busy beating himself up for his prior mistake, he would have missed this awesome tactical trick.

30...Rd8

Alas, the rook cannot be taken. 30...Rxe4 31.Rb8#

31.Bc7 Rc8 32.Be5 Bh6+

Correct again. When down in material, don't trade any more pieces.

33.f4 g5 34.Rb8+!

Another great move. White simplifies the position into an easily winning position.

34...Rxb8 35.Bxb8 Kxb8 36.Re6!

The neat point. White recovers his lost piece and converts the win.

36...Bg7 37.Rxa6 gxf4 38.Kd3 Kb7

39.Re6 Bf8 40.Ke4 Kc7 41.Kxf4 Bd6+

42.Kf5 Bxh2 43.Re7+ Kd6 44.Rxh7 Bg1

45.Rxa7 Bxd4 46.Rf7 Be5 47.Rf6+!

Simplifying once more. Good technique.

47...Bxf6 48.Kxf6 Kc6 1-0

The scoresheet ends here. White won. A very good battle despite the early loss of material. I want to see these two players play each other again!

Joel Burnham (333)

Karrington Cobb (147)

King's Pawn, C20

1.e4 e5 2.Bb5 a6 3.Be2 Nf6 4.Nc3 Be7 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.0-0 0-0 7.Na4?

No, no, no. Knights on the side of the board are not happy ponies! Especially at the start of the game, you want to play in the center of the board as much as possible. Whoever controls the central squares d5, e5, d4 and e4 best will have the advantage and can attack anywhere on the board.

7...d5!

A perfect reaction. Black attacks in the center.

8.exd5 Nxd5 9.Ne1?

Oh no, not again!

9...Re8 10.d3 Na5?

White's bad habit has rubbed off on Black!! This knight was perfectly happy where it had been. It was Black's bishops that needed better squares.

11.Bd2 Bd7 12.Bxa5 Bxa4

Bishops on the side of the board are only a little bit better than knights on the side of the board.

13.b3 Bc6!

A good square for this guy where it puts pressure on White's kingside.

14.c4 Nf6

Not a bad retreat. Even better would have been 14...Nf4

15.Nf3

White realizes the knight wasn't doing anything on e1 and comes back to attack the center. Good!

15...Bd6 16.d4 exd4 17.Nxd4 Be5

18.Nxc6 bxc6 19.Rc1 Nd7 20.Rc2 Qh4!

21.g3!

White stops the checkmate idea.

21...Qg5??

Only this is Black's first real mistake of the game.

22.h4?

This is not a good move for a couple of reasons. First, White could have won material. Secondly, White's king area becomes really weak. Never move pawns around your king unless you really have to. 21.g3 was perfect. 22.h4 was too much. 22.Qxd7! would have given White an extra piece.

22...Qf5?

22...Qe7! was correct.

23.Bd3?

This only chases the black queen to where she wanted to go. 23.Bg4! would win the knight on d7. This tactical pattern is called a "skewer".

23...Qh3! 24.Bd2?

This is unfortunate. White correctly realized the bishop was out of play on a5. However, the square it retreated to cut off the rook's ability to defend along the second rank.

24...Bxg3!

A devastating blow to White's shaky kingside.

25.f3??

White did not recover from the shock of the previous move. 25.fxg3 Qxg3+ 26.Kh1 Qxd3 Black gets the piece back but maybe White can continue the fight.

25...Qh2# 0-1

I may have been critical of the horsey moves at the beginning of the game, but let me say in conclusion that this was a very well-played game by both of the players. Joel and Karrington played way above their current rating strengths. Bravo to both!

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2016 Junior High Team Championships

February 13, 2016

Unfortunately, the pictures from the JH Team championship were missing and I have nothing to publish.

2016 Michigan Junior High Team K-9 Championship – Team Crosstable

No.	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
1	University Prep MS A	1712	W7 [3.0]	W2 [3.0]	W6 [4.0]	W3 [4.0]	W4 [4.0]	5.0
2	Roeper Birmingham	1251	W4 [3.0]	L1 [1.0]	D3 [2.0]	W5 [3.5]	W8 [3.5]	3.5
3	Bates Academy A	1354	W5 [2.5]	D6 [2.0]	D2 [2.0]	L1 [0.0]	W7 [4.0]	3.0
4	Boulan Park MS	968	L2 [1.0]	Bye [4.0]	W7 [2.5]	W6 [3.0]	L1 [0.0]	3.0
5	Chrysler Elem	988	L3 [1.5]	W8 [3.0]	D9 [2.0]	L2 [0.5]	Bye [4.0]	2.5
6	University Prep MS B	1419	W8 [2.5]	D3 [2.0]	L1 [0.0]	L4 [1.0]	W9 [3.0]	2.5
7	Roeper Bloomfield Hills	1035	L1 [1.0]	W9 [4.0]	L4 [1.5]	Bye [4.0]	L3 [0.0]	2.0
8	Cornerstone Nevada K-9C	998	L6 [1.5]	L5 [1.0]	Bye [4.0]	W9 [3.0]	L2 [0.5]	2.0
9	Clague Middle School	771	Bye [4.0]	L7 [0.0]	D5 [2.0]	L8 [1.0]	L6 [1.0]	1.5

2016 Michigan Junior High Team K-9 Championship – Individual Crosstable

No.	Name	Team	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
1	Torrance Henry Jr	University Prep MS A	1675	W16	W4	W23	W25	W13	5.0
2	Lauren Bradford	University Prep MS A	1605	W26	W21	X36	W20	W32	5.0
3	Kamauri Washington	University Prep MS A	1677	W31	D14	W24	W11	W22	4.5
4	Kayden Pierre	Roeper Birmingham	1269	W13	L1	W25	W17	W28	4.0
5	Jordan Hoskins	Cornerstone Nevada K-9C	1254	W36	W34	Bye	W33	L7	4.0
6	Bryan Wilson Jr	University Prep MS A	1891	L9	D7	W8	W15	W12	3.5
7	Blake Bottesi	Roeper Birmingham	1433	L12	D6	W15	W34	W5	3.5
8	Tyler Gibbs	University Prep MS B	1463	W29	W11	L6	D12	W33	3.5
9	Aiden Song	Roeper Bloomfield Hills	1725	W6	W33	D12	Bye	L15	3.5
10	Justin Guley	Chrysler Elem	782	D20	W27	W19	L21	Bye	3.5
11	Ellington King	Bates Academy A	1455	W18	L8	W14	L3	W31	3.0
12	Rishi Shetty	Boulan Park MS	1440	W7	Bye	D9	D8	L6	3.0
13	Abinivesh Hemakumar	Boulan Park MS	665	L4	Bye	W26	W23	L1	3.0
14	Josiah Smith	Roeper Birmingham	1343	W22	D3	L11	D18	W29	3.0
15	Micale Garland Jr	Bates Academy A	1625	W34	W36	L7	L6	W9	3.0
16	Bryce Bottesi	Roeper Bloomfield Hills	842	L1	W30	W32	Bye	L25	3.0
17	Travis Turner	Chrysler Elem	944	W25	W28	L30	L4	Bye	3.0
18	Nicholas Burton Jr	Chrysler Elem	1075	L11	W29	D35	D14	Bye	3.0
19	Jack Kolbert	Clague Middle School	537	Bye	L26	L10	W27	X36	3.0
20	Jackson Capela	Bates Academy A	1126	D10	L23	W21	L2	W26	2.5
21	Steven Raphael	Roeper Birmingham	959	W32	L2	L20	W10	D27	2.5
22	Samay Achar	Boulan Park MS	1271	L14	Bye	W31	D24	L3	2.5
23	Michael Thomas	University Prep MS B	1335	D27	W20	L1	L13	W30	2.5
24	Elijah Harrison	University Prep MS B	1408	W28	L25	L3	D22	W35	2.5
25	J'Nise Byrd	Bates Academy A	1212	L17	W24	L4	L1	W16	2.0
26	Nathaniel Carlson	Roeper Bloomfield Hills	658	L2	W19	L13	Bye	L20	2.0
27	Jalen Wilburn	Cornerstone Nevada K-9C	789	D23	L10	Bye	L19	D21	2.0
28	Herbert Sanders II	Cornerstone Nevada K-9C	951	L24	L17	Bye	W30	L4	2.0
29	Dylon Ledbetter	Cornerstone Nevada K-9C	997	L8	L18	Bye	W35	L14	2.0
30	Amy Xiu	Clague Middle School	769	Bye	L16	W17	L28	L23	2.0
31	Roshan Shah	Roeper Bloomfield Hills	914	L3	W35	L22	Bye	L11	2.0
32	Jakob Mortimore	Boulan Park MS	495	L21	Bye	L16	X36	L2	2.0
33	Aarnav Unadkat	Clague Middle School	902	Bye	L9	D34	L5	L8	1.5
34	Solmon Foster III	Chrysler Elem	1153	L15	L5	D33	L7	Bye	1.5
35	Sean Xie	Clague Middle School	875	Bye	L31	D18	L29	L24	1.5
36	Lewis Melton	University Prep MS B	1469	L5	L15	F2	F32	F19	0.0

2016 Michigan Junior High Team K-9 Reserve – Team Crosstable

No.	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
1	Bates Academy B1	668	W17 [4.0]	W11 [3.0]	W6 [3.0]	W9 [2.5]	D3 [2.0]	4.5
2	Sampson-Webber	690	W25 [3.0]	W5 [3.5]	D3 [2.0]	W12 [3.0]	W9 [3.0]	4.5
3	Milani Homeschool	651	W20 [4.0]	W8 [4.0]	D2 [2.0]	W10 [3.0]	D1 [2.0]	4.0
4	OLGC	599	W24 [4.0]	W16 [2.5]	L9 [1.0]	W8 [2.5]	W11 [3.0]	4.0
5	Carter MS 1	530	W22 [4.0]	L2 [0.5]	W14 [3.0]	D6 [2.0]	W13 [4.0]	3.5
6	Schuchard Knights A	406	W18 [4.0]	W15 [2.5]	L1 [1.0]	D5 [2.0]	W12 [3.0]	3.5
7	Roberts Rooks A	540	W21 [4.0]	L9 [1.5]	L17 [1.0]	W19 [4.0]	W20 [4.0]	3.0
8	Carter MS 3	455	W26 [4.0]	L3 [0.0]	W21 [4.0]	L4 [1.5]	W15 [3.0]	3.0
9	University Prep MS D	680	W13 [4.0]	W7 [2.5]	W4 [3.0]	L1 [1.5]	L2 [1.0]	3.0
10	Schroeder Stars	598	D12 [2.0]	W25 [4.0]	D16 [2.0]	L3 [1.0]	W17 [3.0]	3.0
11	Cornerstone Nevada K-9R	475	W23 [4.0]	L1 [1.0]	D13 [2.0]	W16 [2.5]	L4 [1.0]	2.5
12	Jeannette Jr High	455	D10 [2.0]	W19 [3.5]	W15 [2.5]	L2 [1.0]	L6 [1.0]	2.5

No.	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
13	Bates Academy B2	346	L9 [0.0]	W26 [4.0]	D11 [2.0]	W17 [3.0]	L5 [0.0]	2.5
14	Roberts Rooks C	336	L15 [0.0]	W18 [3.0]	L5 [1.0]	W21 [2.5]	D16 [2.0]	2.5
15	University Prep Elem	636	W14 [4.0]	L6 [1.5]	L12 [1.5]	W24 [2.5]	L8 [1.0]	2.0
16	University Prep MS C	690	W19 [3.0]	L4 [1.5]	D10 [2.0]	L11 [1.5]	D14 [2.0]	2.0
17	Schuchard Knights B	343	L1 [0.0]	W23 [4.0]	W7 [3.0]	L13 [1.0]	L10 [1.0]	2.0
18	Japhet	Unr	L6 [0.0]	L14 [1.0]	W23 [2.5]	L20 [1.0]	W26 [3.5]	2.0
19	Carter MS 2	383	L16 [1.0]	L12 [0.5]	W22 [3.0]	L7 [0.0]	W25 [3.0]	2.0
20	Garvey Academy	342	L3 [0.0]	D22 [2.0]	D25 [2.0]	W18 [3.0]	L7 [0.0]	2.0
21	University Prep Elem 2	195	L7 [0.0]	W24 [2.5]	L8 [0.0]	L14 [1.5]	W22 [2.5]	2.0
22	Roberts Rooks B	213	L5 [0.0]	D20 [2.0]	L19 [1.0]	W26 [3.0]	L21 [1.5]	1.5
23	Our Shepherd Gold	230	L11 [0.0]	L17 [0.0]	L18 [1.5]	D25 [2.0]	W24 [3.0]	1.5
24	Flickinger Knights	324	L4 [0.0]	L21 [1.5]	W26 [3.5]	L15 [1.5]	L23 [1.0]	1.0
25	Roberts Rooks W	357	L2 [1.0]	L10 [0.0]	D20 [2.0]	D23 [2.0]	L19 [1.0]	1.0
26	Our Shepherd Blue	127	L8 [0.0]	L13 [0.0]	L24 [0.5]	L22 [1.0]	L18 [0.5]	0.0

2016 Michigan Junior High Team K-9 Reserve – Individual Crosstable

No.	Name	Team	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
1	Americo Milani	Milani Homeschool	688	W41	W16	W11	W87	W57	5.0
2	Khalil Holiness	Sampson-Webber	798	W36	W59	W51	W58	W33	5.0
3	Jordan Jarbo	Roberts Rooks A	309	W89	W56	W83	W45	WF	5.0
4	Joshua Sled	Bates Academy B1	840	W34	W86	W20	D30	W12	4.5
5	Antonio Valdivia-Bush	OLGC	1180	W54	W27	W30	D23	W86	4.5
6	Keonte Woolf Jr	Cornerstone Nevada K-9R	549	W73	W25	W72	D31	W61	4.5
7	Saswat Saravanan	Schroeder Stars	728	W58	W36	D31	W51	W60	4.5
8	Tajuan Thompkins	Bates Academy B1	389	W83	W37	W32	W56	D19	4.5
9	Zachary Adkins	Carter MS 1	371	W81	D22	W48	W32	W71	4.5
10	Abdurrahman Bayi	University Prep Elem 1	954	W21	W64	D58	W93	W70	4.5
11	Cornelius Crawley	Sampson-Webber	795	W102	W13	L1	W40	W14	4.0
12	Luigi Milani	Milani Homeschool	889	W38	W23	W63	W24	L4	4.0
13	Evan Conlee	Carter MS 1	567	W91	L11	W67	W15	W35	4.0
14	Dominica Rooks	University Prep MS D	797	W35	W39	W52	W57	L11	4.0
15	Saptarshi Deb	Schuchard Knights A	328	W82	W84	W57	L13	W40	4.0
16	Ben Ammons	Carter MS 3	503	W99	L1	W66	W52	W84	4.0
17	Christopher Ryder	Jeannette Jr High	219	WF	W45	W80	W22	L32	4.0
18	Zara Post	OLGC	355	W77	W100	L56	W43	W37	4.0
19	Luca Milani	Milani Homeschool	290	WF	W43	L22	W50	D8	3.5
20	Graham Barash	Schuchard Knights A	666	W55	D28	L4	W44	W85	3.5
21	Ben Miller	Roberts Rooks C	589	L10	W47	W59	D53	W31	3.5
22	Emarjae Watkins	Sampson-Webber	357	W90	D9	W19	L17	W56	3.5
23	Katie Hemingway	Carter MS 3	468	W97	L12	W92	D5	W28	3.5
24	Adhvaith Rajanish	Schroeder Stars	774	W85	W68	D27	L12	W34	3.5
25	Jimmy Capela	Bates Academy B1	889	W60	L6	W64	W33	D51	3.5
26	Evan Aeck	Roberts Rooks A	619	W92	D30	L34	W65	W38	3.5
27	Brelan Wilkes	University Prep MS C	1067	W65	L5	D24	W86	W101	3.5
28	Maxwell Motley	University Prep Elem 1	1113	W101	D20	W85	W54	L23	3.5
29	Sa'Nya Burton	University Prep MS C	578	W74	D52	W87	L62	W67	3.5
30	Talmage Turner	University Prep MS D	980	W69	D26	L5	D4	W63	3.0
31	Maximus Norwood	University Prep MS C	873	W96	W61	D7	D6	L21	3.0
32	Gorjan Zilkovski	Schuchard Knights A	167	X47	W80	L8	L9	W17	3.0
33	Canaan Thomas	University Prep MS D	840	W72	W46	W61	L25	L2	3.0
34	Dean Olszewski	Schuchard Knights B	639	L4	W98	W26	W69	L24	3.0
35	La'Tyjuana Bell	Bates Academy B2	363	L14	W95	W62	W42	L13	3.0
36	Michael Wood	Roberts Rooks W	425	L2	L7	W88	W73	W96	3.0
37	Isabella Lindo	Cornerstone Nevada K-9R	201	W76	L8	W71	W100	L18	3.0
38	Marcel Green	Garvey Academy	552	L12	W75	W68	W55	L26	3.0
39	Stephen Smith	Roberts Rooks A	633	W66	L14	L42	W74	W41	3.0
40	Daniel Austerman	Jeannette Jr High	Unr	W87	W74	W84	L11	L15	3.0
41	Eric Godbott Jr	Garvey Academy	212	L1	W91	W102	W82	L39	3.0
42	Tyler Harrison	Schuchard Knights B	277	L57	W78	W39	L35	W87	3.0
43	Justin Patrosso	Carter MS 3	453	W104	L19	W89	L18	W80	3.0
44	Tony Duby	Carter MS 1	532	W75	L63	W101	L20	W69	3.0
45	William Nielson	Carter MS 2	155	W100	L17	W81	L3	W90	3.0
46	Keegan Forbes	Roberts Rooks A	597	W53	L33	L60	W96	W88	3.0
47	Owen Perry	Japhet	Unr	F32	L21	W76	WF	W95	3.0
48	Nicholas Jimenez	Roberts Rooks C	109	L80	X82	L9	W89	W100	3.0
49	Joshua Devolder	Roberts Rooks B	250	L59	W88	W96	W103	L53	3.0
50	Abhinav Rajanish	Schroeder Stars	262	---	W90	W100	L19	W83	3.0
51	Marcello Milani	Milani Homeschool	738	W88	W70	L2	L7	D25	2.5
52	Andrew Memmer	OLGC	405	W93	D29	L14	L16	W62	2.5
53	Kaitlin Cobb	University Prep Elem 2	294	L46	W93	L70	D21	W49	2.5

No.	Name	Team	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
54	Jack Burnham	Flickinger Knights	430	L5	W92	D97	L28	W98	2.5
55	Logan Wrona	Japhet	Unr	L20	W101	D98	L38	W97	2.5
56	Davante Cissoko	University Prep MS D	105	W71	L3	W18	L8	L22	2.0
57	Jayson Woolfork	Bates Academy B1	556	W42	W62	L15	L14	L1	2.0
58	Rohan Desai	Jeannette Jr High	427	L7	D96	D10	L2	W64	2.0
59	Rebecca Kiser	Carter MS 1	649	W49	L2	L21	L64	W72	2.0
60	John Dopke	Schuchard Knights B	262	L25	W73	W46	L72	L7	2.0
61	Thomas Heegan	OLGC	455	W79	L31	L33	W70	L6	2.0
62	Kevin Colon	Cornerstone Nevada K-9R	533	W78	L57	L35	W29	L52	2.0
63	Tamyre Watkins	Sampson-Webber	810	L68	W44	L12	W85	L30	2.0
64	Connor Harrison	Schuchard Knights A	464	W94	L10	L25	W59	L58	2.0
65	Nathan Orvis	Carter MS 2	699	L27	L85	W75	L26	W68	2.0
66	Karrington Cobb	University Prep Elem 2	110	L39	W77	L16	L67	W91	2.0
67	Owen Aeck	Roberts Rooks C	367	L84	W94	L13	W66	L29	2.0
68	Nathan Wood	Roberts Rooks W	303	W63	L24	L38	W98	L65	2.0
69	Carl Roseboro	Bates Academy B2	347	L30	W97	W86	L34	L44	2.0
70	Hunter Riendeau	Carter MS 3	395	W103	L51	W53	L61	L10	2.0
71	Troy Hardges II	Bates Academy B2	146	L56	W104	L37	W83	L9	2.0
72	Samuel Broddie	Bates Academy B2	415	L33	W103	L6	W60	L59	2.0
73	Andrew Pflieger	Our Shepherd Gold	275	L6	L60	W94	L36	W93	2.0
74	Braeden Burger	Carter MS 2	277	L29	L40	W91	L39	W102	2.0
75	Noah Vermeulen	Roberts Rooks B	260	L44	L38	L65	W97	W92	2.0
76	Grace Novak	Our Shepherd Gold	172	L37	L83	L47	W90	W79	2.0
77	Joel Burnham	Flickinger Knights	333	L18	L66	W99	W84	L78	2.0
78	Cole Bieber	Our Shepherd Gold	223	L62	L42	L82	W102	W77	2.0
79	Jade Burnham	Flickinger Knights	182	L61	D89	W104	D80	L76	2.0
80	Maxwell Baloh	University Prep Elem 1	169	W48	L32	L17	D79	L43	1.5
81	Paul Jiminez	Roberts Rooks B	146	L9	WF	L45	L95	D89	1.5
82	Keith Lloyd	Japhet	Unr	L15	F48	W78	L41	D99	1.5
83	Noah Herdell	Schuchard Knights B	195	L8	W76	L3	L71	L50	1.0
84	Jalen Spicer	University Prep Elem 1	308	W67	L15	L40	L77	L16	1.0
85	Ongkon Deb	Jeannette Jr High	719	L24	W65	L28	L63	L20	1.0
86	Bernard Love III	Cornerstone Nevada K-9R	616	W98	L4	L69	L27	L5	1.0
87	Sahay Achar	Schroeder Stars	627	L40	W102	L29	L1	L42	1.0
88	Raphael Green	Garvey Academy	262	L51	L49	L36	W94	L46	1.0
89	Nolan Story	University Prep Elem 2	60	L3	D79	L43	L48	D81	1.0
90	Alaina Wood	Roberts Rooks W	325	L22	L50	WF	L76	L45	1.0
91	Gage Gillis	Roberts Rooks B	196	L13	L41	L74	W99	L66	1.0
92	Theodore Baloh	University Prep Elem 2	315	L26	L54	L23	W101	L75	1.0
93	Jenna Burnham	Flickinger Knights	350	L52	L53	W103	L10	L73	1.0
94	Annabelle Sitarek	Japhet	Unr	L64	L67	L73	L88	W103	1.0
95	Cameron Simpson	Our Shepherd Blue	101	---	L35	---	W81	L47	1.0
96	Ethan Eickhoff	Carter MS 2	400	L31	D58	L49	L46	L36	0.5
97	Nathan Halstead	Our Shepherd Blue	203	L23	L69	D54	L75	L55	0.5
98	David Luhring	Our Shepherd Gold	251	L86	L34	D55	L68	L54	0.5
99	Nia Peterson	Our Shepherd Blue	51	L16	---	L77	L91	D82	0.5
100	Porter Willis	University Prep MS C	243	L45	L18	L50	L37	L48	0.0
101	Gwen Gillis	Roberts Rooks C	278	L28	L55	L44	L92	L27	0.0
102	Madelynn Wood	Roberts Rooks W	375	L11	L87	L41	L78	L74	0.0
103	Sophia Alder	Our Shepherd Blue	153	L70	L72	L93	L49	L94	0.0
104	Lucy Novak	Our Shepherd Blue	Unr	L43	L71	L79	---	---	0.0

2016 High School Team Championships

February 13, 2016

2016 Michigan High School Team Individual Medal Winners

Gold = 4.0; Silver = 3.5; Bronze = 3.0





2016 Michigan High School Team Championship – Team Crosstable

No.	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Score
1	Greenhills HS Champ	1388	W9 [3.5]	W3 [2.5]	W2 [4.0]	W4 [3.0]	4.0
2	Pioneer HS	1417	W4 [3.0]	W6 [3.0]	L1 [0.0]	W5 [3.0]	3.0
3	Huron HS Champ	1508	W8 [4.0]	L1 [1.5]	W7 [4.0]	D6 [2.0]	2.5
4	Goodrich HS	972	L2 [1.0]	Bye [4.0]	W9 [3.0]	L1 [1.0]	2.0
5	Cass Tech Champ	1525	1/2 [2.0]	W8 [4.0]	D6 [2.0]	L2 [1.0]	2.0
6	Martin Luther King HS Champ	1500	W7 [3.0]	L2 [1.0]	D5 [2.0]	D3 [2.0]	2.0
7	Clio HS Champ	1088	L6 [1.0]	D9 [2.0]	L3 [0.0]	Bye [4.0]	1.5
8	DCP A	1106	L3 [0.0]	L5 [0.0]	Bye [4.0]	D9 [2.0]	1.5
9	Skyline HS	Unr	L1 [0.5]	D7 [2.0]	L4 [1.0]	D8 [2.0]	1.0

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No.	Name	Team	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Score
1	Austin Kibby	Goodrich HS	737	W15	Bye	W35	W7	4.0
2	Anvit Rao	Greenhills HS Champ	1544	D5	W13	W9	W30	3.5
3	Julian Wellman	Greenhills HS Champ	1771	W36	D4	W8	W20	3.5
4	Justin Chen	Huron HS Champ	1959	W32	D3	W24	W16	3.5
5	Connor Dalton	Skyline HS	Unr	D2	W34	W30	W32	3.5
6	Donald Dameron	Cass Tech Champ	1472	1/2	W22	W17	W29	3.5
7	Benjamin Kovacs	Greenhills HS Champ	1140	W35	W18	W15	L1	3.0
8	Michael Motoc	Pioneer HS	1800	W20	W16	L3	W28	3.0
9	Daniel Motoc	Pioneer HS	1827	W30	W31	L2	W14	3.0
10	Ryan Gudal	Huron HS Champ	1536	W22	W11	W19	L17	3.0
11	Jack Harris	Greenhills HS Champ	1098	W21	L10	W29	W23	3.0
12	Victor Lewis III	Marting Luther King HS Champ	1324	W25	L15	W27	W18	3.0
13	Joy Chen	Huron HS Champ	1622	W33	L2	W34	W31	3.0
14	Camron Barksdale	Cass Tech Champ	1561	1/2	W33	W31	L9	2.5
15	Viraj Mohile	Pioneer HS	913	L1	W12	L7	W27	2.0
16	Paris Coleman	Marting Luther King HS Champ	1545	W24	L8	W28	L4	2.0
17	Nigel Taliaferro	Marting Luther King HS Champ	1285	L19	W29	L6	W10	2.0
18	Tongxu Bai	Huron HS Champ	914	W26	L7	W25	L12	2.0
19	Mckenna Daniel	Clio HS Champ	1113	W17	L21	L10	Bye	2.0
20	Joshua Svinarich	Goodrich HS	1094	L8	Bye	W36	L3	2.0
21	Matthew Young	Skyline HS	Unr	L11	W19	L23	W33	2.0
22	Clio Jones	DCP A	1205	L10	L6	Bye	W35	2.0
23	Michael Davis	Goodrich HS	1051	L29	Bye	W21	L11	2.0
24	Ian McDowell	Clio HS Champ	1105	L16	W36	L4	Bye	2.0
25	Michael Hursh	Clio HS Champ	923	L12	W35	L18	Bye	2.0
26	Samory Buford	DCP A	1155	L18	L27	Bye	X36	2.0
27	Bakari Murrie	Cass Tech Champ	1270	1/2	W26	L12	L15	1.5
28	Marcus Badgett	Cass Tech Champ	1797	1/2	W32	L16	L8	1.5
29	Jeffrey Ding	Pioneer HS	1128	W23	L17	L11	L6	1.0
30	Maïen Mi	Goodrich HS	1004	L9	Bye	L5	L2	1.0
31	Christian Yanish	Marting Luther King HS Champ	1478	W34	L9	L14	L13	1.0
32	Christopher Echols	DCP A	967	L4	L28	Bye	L5	1.0

No.	Name	Team	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Score
33	Christian Echols	DCP A	1098	L13	L14	Bye	L21	1.0
34	Kaleb Ethridge	Clio HS Champ	1210	L31	L5	L13	Bye	1.0
35	Forrest Flesher	Skyline HS	Unr	L7	L25	L1	L22	0.0
36	Christopher Young	Skyline HS	Unr	L3	L24	L20	F26	0.0

2016 Michigan High School Team Championship Prizewinners



Champion: Greenhills HS



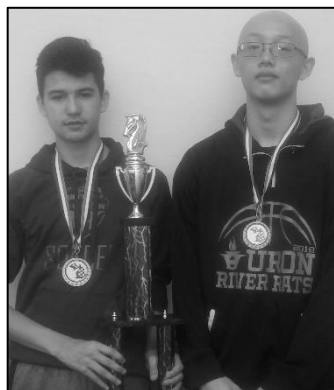
4th Place: Goodrich HS



2nd Place: Pioneer HS



5th Place: Cass Tech



3rd Place: Huron HS / 5th Place: Martin Luther King HS



8th Place: DCP A

ANSWERS TO CHESS QUIZ: THEME = DOUBLE CHECK

- 1) 1. Nb6+ Kb8 2. Rb7#.
- 2) 1 ... Ne4+ 2. Ke1 Qg3#.
- 3) 1. Nxe7+.
- 4) 1 ... Nh3+ 2. Kh1 Qg1+! 3. Rxg1 Nf2#. Philidor's Legacy.
- 5) 1. Nf5+ Ke6 2. Qd6#; 1 ... Ke8 2. Nxd7#.
- 6) 1 ... Ne2+ 2. Kh1 Ng3+! 3. hxd3 Qh6#/Qh5#.



9th Place: Skyline HS

2016 Michigan High School Team K-12 Reserve – Team Crosstable

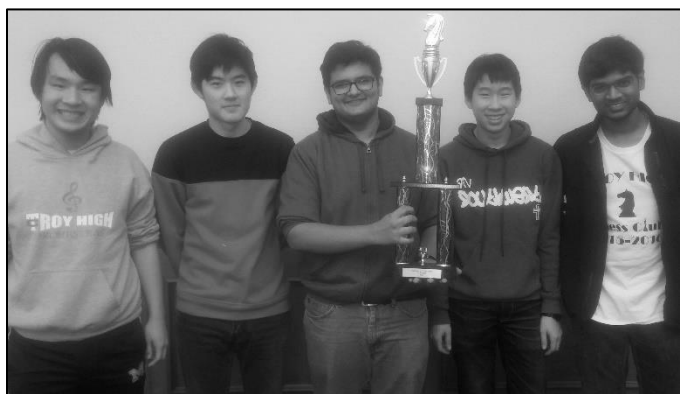
No.	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Score
1	Troy HS	755	W9 [3.0]	W8 [3.0]	D2 [2.0]	W5 [2.5]	3.5
2	Huron HS Reserve	745	W6 [3.0]	W7 [2.5]	D1 [2.0]	W4 [2.5]	3.5
3	Cass Tech Reserve	1155	1/2 [2.0]	D11 [2.0]	W8 [3.5]	W7 [3.5]	3.0
4	Jeannette Jr High	976	W13 [4.0]	D5 [2.0]	W10 [4.0]	L2 [1.5]	2.5
5	Greenhills HS Reserve	738	W11 [4.0]	D4 [2.0]	D9 [2.0]	L1 [1.5]	2.0
6	Clio HS Reserve	515	L2 [1.0]	Bye [4.0]	L7 [1.0]	W11 [3.0]	2.0
7	East Lansing Red	484	W10 [3.5]	L2 [1.5]	W6 [3.0]	L3 [0.5]	2.0
8	East Lansing White	485	W12 [3.0]	L1 [1.0]	L3 [0.5]	W13 [3.5]	2.0
9	East Lansing Blue	578	L1 [1.0]	W12 [2.5]	D5 [2.0]	D10 [2.0]	2.0
10	Roeper Birmingham HSR	724	L7 [0.5]	W13 [3.5]	L4 [0.0]	D9 [2.0]	1.5
11	Martin Luther King HS Reserve	993	L5 [0.0]	D3 [2.0]	W12 [3.0]	L6 [1.0]	1.5
12	Powers HS	725	L8 [1.0]	L9 [1.5]	L11 [0.0]	Bye [4.0]	1.0
13	DCP B	615	L4 [0.0]	L10 [0.5]	Bye [4.0]	L8 [0.5]	1.0

2016 Michigan High School Team K-12 Reserve – Individual Crosstable

No.	Name	Team	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Score
1	Joe Leung	Huron HS Reserve	724	W25	W28	W7	W21	4.0
2	Jeremy Kovacs	Greenhills HS Reserve	737	W29	W21	W24	W30	4.0
3	Zack Werbrouck	Jeannette Jr High	959	W31	W23	W36	W22	4.0
4	Evan Barash	Jeannette Jr High	1282	W42	W38	W17	D8	3.5
5	Shelbi Stanfield	Cass Tech Reserve	1217	1/2	X55	W26	W9	3.5
6	Brandon Lacey	Cass Tech Reserve	1092	1/2	W39	W52	W41	3.5
7	Peter Ko	Troy HS	672	W24	W19	L1	W38	3.0
8	Taimor Williams	Huron HS Reserve	861	W43	D18	W34	D4	3.0
9	Evan Bouchard	East Lansing Red	287	W46	W40	W54	L5	3.0
10	Jacob Daniels	East Lansing White	880	W35	W34	L20	W42	3.0
11	Lifan Zeng	Troy HS	215	---	W26	W40	W23	3.0
12	Charles Blessett	Martin Luther King HS Reserve	1128	L38	W20	W35	W43	3.0
13	Prithvi Joshi	East Lansing Blue	302	L30	W49	X53	W46	3.0
14	Sarah Rozboril	Clio HS Reserve	481	L22	Bye	W41	W39	3.0
15	Ian Fox	Powers HS	700	W52	W44	L39	Bye	3.0
16	Megan Eickhoff	Clio HS Reserve	427	W40	Bye	---	X55	3.0
17	Zion Johnson	Roeper Birmingham HSR	910	D18	W42	L4	W37	2.5
18	Nic Miller	East Lansing Red	776	D17	D8	W43	D20	2.5
19	Cameron Abrams	East Lansing White	565	W47	L7	D27	W48	2.5
20	Darius Britton	Cass Tech Reserve	1185	1/2	L12	W10	D18	2.0
21	William Harrison	Jeannette Jr High	1096	W48	L2	W45	L1	2.0
22	Gil Glazer	Huron HS Reserve	649	W14	W41	L50	L3	2.0
23	Nabeel Rehemtulla	Greenhills HS Reserve	362	W39	L3	W44	L11	2.0
24	Wesley Pasikowski	East Lansing Blue	653	L7	W47	L2	W45	2.0
25	Tristan Nielson	Clio HS Reserve	523	L1	Bye	L28	W29	2.0
26	Gavin Lewis	East Lansing White	129	W49	L11	L5	X51	2.0
27	Immanuel Arrington	Cass Tech Reserve	1127	1/2	L29	D19	W28	2.0
28	Nate McNeilly	East Lansing Red	468	W45	L1	W25	L27	2.0
29	Wesley Walter	Martin Luther King HS Reserve	1009	L2	W27	W47	L25	2.0
30	Brian Lee	Troy HS	741	W13	W52	---	L2	2.0
31	Christopher Thompson	DCP B	590	L3	D36	Bye	D52	2.0
32	Malika Khaira	Jeannette Jr High	565	X51	L33	W46	L40	2.0
33	Max Froehlich	Greenhills HS Reserve	Unr	X55	W32	---	---	2.0
34	Bhaskar Kapasiya	Troy HS	933	W37	L10	L8	D53	1.5
35	William Frappier	Powers HS	800	L10	D37	L12	Bye	1.5

No.	Name	Team	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Score
36	Nicholas Keuten	Roeper Birmingham HSR	713	L41	D31	L3	W44	1.5
37	Agniva Bhaumik	East Lansing Blue	1032	L34	D35	W38	L17	1.5
38	Justin Tseng	Greenhills HS Reserve	814	W12	L4	L37	L7	1.0
39	Jerimah Brown	Martin Luther King HS Reserve	761	L23	L6	W15	L14	1.0
40	Caroline Bromberg	Huron HS Reserve	Unr	L16	L9	L11	W32	1.0
41	Tj Christian	East Lansing Red	407	W36	L22	L14	L6	1.0
42	Markis Miller	DCP B	690	L4	L17	Bye	L10	1.0
43	James Lossing	Clio HS Reserve	630	L8	Bye	L18	L12	1.0
44	Ben Weatherford	East Lansing Blue	323	W50	L15	L23	L36	1.0
45	Ethan White	Roeper Birmingham HSR	815	L28	W48	L21	L24	1.0
46	James Sneyd	Roeper Birmingham HSR	459	L9	X51	L32	L13	1.0
47	Will Haran	Powers HS	750	L19	L24	L29	Bye	1.0
48	Steven Lindsey-Sparks	DCP B	640	L21	L45	Bye	L19	1.0
49	Kyle Chalut	Powers HS	650	L26	L13	F55	Bye	1.0
50	Johanan Isaac	Troy HS	674	L44	---	W22	---	1.0
51	Kyron Ross	DCP B	540	F32	F46	Bye	F26	1.0
52	Jason Pasikowski	East Lansing White	365	L15	L30	L6	D31	0.5
53	Eric Chen	Greenhills HS Reserve	1037	---	---	F13	D34	0.5
54	Sejer Rasmussen	Clio HS Reserve	Unr	---	---	L9	---	0.0

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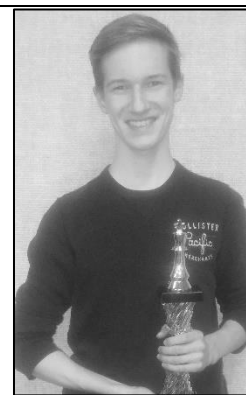
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Junior Championship (K-12)

No.	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
1	Safal Bora	2460	W4	W10	W2	W6	D3	4.5
2	Joshua Posthuma	2156	W8	W15	L1	W9	W6	4.0
3	Michael Chen	2282	W12	L6	W11	W10	D1	3.5
4	Gavin Roupe	1738	L1	W18	W16	W15	D9	3.5
5	Ben Li	2323	W11	W7	W9	1/2	---	3.5
6	Jeremy Mathews	1797	W14	W3	W7	L1	L2	3.0
7	Sasha Konovalenko	1814	W19	L5	L6	W13	W10	3.0
8	Nathan Dudash	1459	L2	W17	L10	W11	W15	3.0
9	Clara McGrew	2016	W16	W13	L5	L2	D4	2.5
10	Brandon O'Neil	1829	W18	L1	W8	L3	L7	2.0
11	Nicholas Konovalenko	1714	L5	W19	L3	L8	W16	2.0
12	Gary Ugrinovskiy	1496	L3	D14	D18	D16	D13	2.0
13	Connor Linn	1366	Bye	L9	D15	L7	D12	2.0
14	Sriamsha Dubbaka	1259	L6	D12	W19	1/2	---	2.0
15	Muhan Luo	1776	W17	L2	D13	L4	L8	1.5
16	Alexander Bemben	1439	L9	Bye	L4	D12	L11	1.5
17	Manas Peddiboyina	525	L15	L8	Bye	1/2	---	1.5
18	Joshua Mathews	1384	L10	L4	D12	1/2	---	1.0
19	Michael Aldrich	1294	L7	L11	L14	1/2	---	0.5



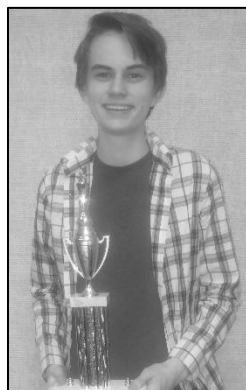
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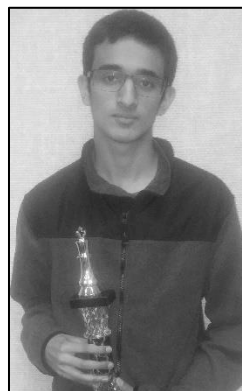
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Nathan Dudash



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Safal Bora



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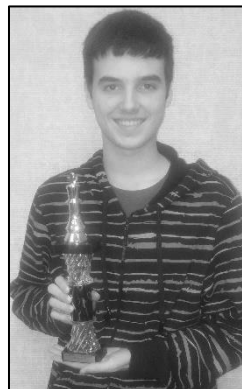
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1st Grade 10
Nicholas Konovalenko



2nd Grade 10
Gary Ugrinovskiy



3rd Grade 10



1st Grade 8 & Under

Connor Linn

Sasha Konovalenko

Young Junior Championship (K-8)

No.	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
1	Ben Li	2323	W3	W5	W4	D2	W6	4.5
2	Akash Narayanan	1916	W14	W9	W8	D1	D4	4.0
3	Rishi Shetty	1440	L1	W15	W9	W11	W10	4.0
4	Bryan Wilson Jr	1892	W10	W6	L1	W5	D2	3.5
5	Dakshesh Daruri	1709	W12	L1	W7	L4	W8	3.0
6	Michael Zheng	1668	W15	L4	W14	W8	L1	3.0
7	David Makarczyk	1165	L9	W10	L5	W14	W11	3.0
8	Pavan Kannan	930	W13	W11	L2	L6	L5	2.0
9	Alex Kong	1523	W7	L2	L3	L10	W14	2.0
10	Joshua Mathews	1384	L4	L7	W15	W9	L3	2.0
11	Aiden Song	1725	W16	L8	W13	L3	L7	2.0
12	Michael Aldrich	1294	L5	L14	W16	L13	Bye	2.0
13	Arjun Bajaj	1464	L8	W16	L11	W12	---	2.0
14	Joshua Lee	1417	L2	W12	L6	L7	L9	1.0
15	Sriamsha Dubbaka	1259	L6	L3	L10	---	---	0.0
16	Yashwant Dubbaka	1299	L11	L13	L12	---	---	0.0



K-8 Champion
Ben Li



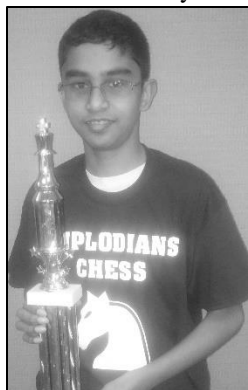
2nd Place
Akash Narayanan



3rd Place
Rishi Shetty



4th Place
Bryan Wilson Jr



5th Place



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Dakshesh Daruri



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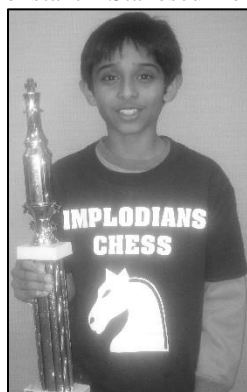
2nd Grade 5 & Under
Alex Kong

Young Junior Reserve (K-8 U800)

No.	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
1	Constantin Stanescu-Bellu	717	WF	W9	W4	W6	W5	5.0
2	Hunter Reed	Unr	L13	W14	W9	W4	W7	4.0
3	Saswat Saravanan	728	W12	L8	D10	W11	W6	3.5
4	Mithran Kannan	581	W16	W5	L1	L2	W10	3.0
5	Adhvaith Rajanish	774	W10	L4	W8	W12	L1	3.0
6	Ashrith Mathiyazhagan	596	W14	W18	W7	L1	L3	3.0
7	Riley Zheng	728	WF	W13	L6	W8	L2	3.0
8	Owen Appel	553	W15	W3	L5	L7	W12	3.0
9	Manas Peddiboyina	525	WF	L1	L2	W18	W14	3.0
10	Anish Hari	462	L5	W11	D3	W13	L4	2.5
11	Erik Howe	517	1/2	L10	W18	L3	W15	2.5
12	Faith McGrew	420	L3	W17	W13	L5	L8	2.0
13	Mathathi Mathiyazhagan	547	W2	L7	L12	L10	W16	2.0
14	Abhinav Rajanish	262	L6	L2	W16	W15	L9	2.0
15	Darrian Chen	Unr	L8	D16	W17	L14	L11	1.5
16	Nikolas Greborunis	177	L4	D15	L14	W17	L13	1.5
17	Anders Howe	Unr	1/2	L12	L15	L16	W18	1.5
18	James Malonson	105	Bye	L6	L11	L9	L17	1.0



K-8 Reserve Champion
Constantin Stanescu-Bellu



3rd Place
Saswat Saravanan

2nd Place
Hunter Reed



5th Place
Adhvaith Rajanish

Kazuma David



1st Grade 5
Alexander Boyd

Dingjia Shen



1st Grade 4
Sanjana Ramesh

Children's Championship (K-5)

No.	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
1	Michael Zheng	1668	W6	W3	W5	W2	W4	5.0
2	Brian Liu	1449	W12	W8	W4	L1	W5	4.0
3	Kazuma David	1179	W10	L1	W13	W7	D8	3.5
4	Yashwant Dubbaka	1299	W15	W9	L2	W6	L1	3.0
5	Dingjia Shen	1329	W14	W13	L1	W8	L2	3.0
6	Alexander Boyd	1138	L1	W15	W10	L4	W9	3.0
7	Jared Ge	1337	L9	W14	W11	L3	W10	3.0
8	Justin Song	1227	W11	L2	W9	L5	D3	2.5
9	Sanjana Ramesh	1043	W7	L4	L8	W11	L6	2.0
10	Bryan Chen	714	L3	Bye	L6	W12	L7	2.0
11	Jack Hauptman	743	L8	W12	L7	L9	Bye	2.0
12	Tarun Rajesh	1063	L2	L11	W14	L10	W13	2.0
13	Jay Vijan	390	Bye	L5	L3	W15	L12	2.0
14	Adhvaith Rajanish	774	L5	L7	L12	Bye	W15	2.0
15	Aswath Karai	758	L4	L6	Bye	L13	L14	1.0



2nd Grade 4
Bryan Chen



3rd Grade 4
Adhvaith Rajanish

Children's Reserve (K-5 U600)

No.	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
1	Isonga Murembya	516	W7	L3	W6	W2	W8	4.0
2	Abhinay Mundrigi	276	W9	W5	W3	L1	W7	4.0
3	Bridger Mattson	Unr	W4	W1	L2	W7	L5	3.0
4	Arvin Avirah	320	L3	W6	W5	L8	Bye	3.0
5	Vincent Zheng	158	Bye	L2	L4	W9	W3	3.0
6	Nikolas Greborunis	177	W8	L4	L1	Bye	W9	3.0
7	Joshua Devolder	250	L1	Bye	W8	L3	L2	2.0
8	Jack Burnham	430	L6	W9	L7	W4	L1	2.0
9	Chetan Peddiboyina	Unr	L2	L8	Bye	L5	L6	1.0



K-5 Champion
Michael Zheng



2nd Place
Brian Liu



3rd Place



5th Place



K-5 Reserve
Michigan Champion
Isonga Murembya

Tied 1st Place
Abhinay Mundrigi



3rd Place
Bridger Mattson



4th Place
Arvin Avirah



5th Place
Vincent Zheng

Young Children's Championship (K-3)

No.	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
1	Charlie Reese	1071	W2	W5	W4	W3	W7	5.0
2	Katelyn Lu	483	L1	W19	W8	W9	W4	4.0
3	David Parker	503	W18	W10	W9	L1	W6	4.0
4	Ashrith Mathiyazhagan	596	W16	W6	L1	W5	L2	3.0
5	Nikhil Srinivasan	556	W8	L1	W12	L4	W13	3.0
6	Anish Hari	462	W11	L4	W10	W17	L3	3.0
7	Mathathi Mathiyazhagan	547	W19	L9	W14	W11	L1	3.0
8	Clara Harmon	338	L5	W13	L2	W18	W17	3.0
9	Paul Harmon	609	W14	W7	L3	L2	D11	2.5
10	Vishnav Ramesh	686	W15	L3	L6	W14	D12	2.5
11	Roshan Shah	914	L6	W16	W17	L7	D9	2.5
12	Sebastian Klus	418	W13	L17	L5	W19	D10	2.5
13	Riley Zheng	728	L12	L8	W18	W15	L5	2.0
14	Cameron Liu	368	L9	W15	L7	L10	Bye	2.0
15	Sourish Daruri	384	L10	L14	W16	L13	W18	2.0
16	Daneil Cui	367	L4	L11	L15	Bye	W19	2.0
17	Ben Miller	589	1/2	W12	L11	L6	L8	1.5
18	Suchir Nagisetty	301	L3	Bye	L13	L8	L15	1.0
19	Joel Burnham	333	L7	L2	Bye	L12	L16	1.0



K-3 Champion
Charlie Reese



2nd Place
Katelyn Lu



3rd Place
David Parker



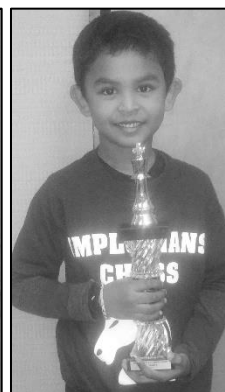
5th Place
Nikhil Srinivasan



2nd Grade 3
Clara Harmon



3rd Grade
Vishnav Ramesh



1st Grade 1
Anish Hari

2nd Grade 1
Paul Harmon

1st Kindergarten
Sourish Daruri

Young Children's Reserve (K-3 U300)

No.	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Score
1	Abhinav Rajanish	262	W13	W4	W10	W2	W3	5.0
2	David Shen	Unr	W8	W5	W3	L1	W6	4.0
3	Tanush Nanaware	Unr	W6	W12	L2	W4	L1	3.0
4	Lukas Krueger	Unr	W11	L1	W5	L3	W10	3.0
5	Brailen Wilson	233	W7	L2	L4	W10	W8	3.0
6	Nicholas Jimenez	109	L3	Bye	W11	W8	L2	3.0
7	Paul Jimenez	Unr	L5	L8	W13	W9	W11	3.0
8	Akhil Mishra	126	L2	W7	W9	L6	L5	2.0
9	Justis Mims	Unr	L12	W13	L8	L7	Bye	2.0
10	Muskeen Talwar	Unr	1/2	W11	L1	L5	L4	1.5
11	Jade Burnham	182	L4	L10	L6	X13	L7	1.0
12	Sayaka David	106	W9	L3	---	---	---	1.0
13	Rishi Chowdhury	Unr	L1	L9	L7	F11	---	0.0



K-3 Reserve Champion:
Abhinav Rajanish



2nd Place:
David Shen



3rd Place
Tanush Nanaware

4th Place
Lukas Krueger

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No.	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Score
1	Timothy McGrew	2195	W6	W4	D2	2.5
2	Mark Finegold	2200	W5	W3	D1	2.5
3	Robert Bemben	1810	W7	L2	W5	2.0
4	Rajanish Rajan	1444	W8	L1	W6	2.0
5	Scott Burnham	1298	L2	W7	L3	1.0
6	James O'Neil	1227	L1	W8	L4	1.0
7	Nikhil Mishra	578	L3	L5	W8	1.0
8	Jenna Burnham	350	L4	L6	L7	0.0

Games from the 2016 Michigan Junior

All Notes by Seth Homa

Jared Ge (1337)
Sanjana Ramesh (1054)
Two Knights, C58

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Nf6 4.Ng5 d5 5.exd5 Na5!

No Fried Liver today! 5...Nxd5? 6.Nxf7! has claimed thousands of lives over the years.

6.Bb5+ c6 7.dxc6 Nxc6

Not quite right. 7...bxc6 is the correct move. While it is true that White is up a pawn and Black's pawn structure has been wrecked, Black has more than enough compensation due to her control over the center and lead in development.

8.Nc3 Bc5 9.0-0 0-0 10.h3 h6 11.Nf3

11.Nge4 could be an improvement.

11...Re8

11...e4! was very tempting, expanding in the center and kicking the knight around some more.

12.d3 Bf5 13.Re1 Bd6 14.Be3 a6 15.Bc4

For her pawn, Black has great control over the center. "Why is this a big deal?" you ask? Because it allows her to attack wherever she wants! Also, it really isn't very easy to find a good plan for White. This begins to show in his moves.

15...Rb8

I'd personally be tempted to complete development with 15...Qd7 followed by ...Rad8 (even more centralization!) and, quite possibly, sacrificing on h3!

16.a3 Qc7 17.Ba2 Rbd8

Black gets back to centralizing her pieces. ...e5-e4 is in the air, with discovered stuff on the white queen.

18.Nh4?!

White is definitely not sure what to do.

18...Bh7 19.Nd5 Nxd5 20.Bxd5 Be7 21.Bxc6 Qxc6 22.Qg4 Qf6

This works very well in the game. Black did not take on c2 because of Bxh6. However, she could have first thrown in

...Bxh4 first. 22...Bxh4! 23.Qxh4 and only now 23...Qxc2

23.Rab1?

A big oversight.

23...Qxh4 Black is winning. **24.Qxh4 Bxh4 25.Bb6 Rc8 26.Rbc1 Bg5 27.Be3 Bxe3!**

When up in material, trade pieces! This makes a win in the endgame a lot easier. Trust me.

28.Rxe3 e4 29.d4 Red8 30.c3 b5

A nice positional move, freezing White's pawns on the queenside. That being said, she could have won a pawn here with 30...Rxd4! due to 31.cxd4 Rxc1+ etc.

31.Rce1 a5 32.f3 exf3 33.Rxf3 Rb8 34.Re5 Re8 35.Rfe3 Rxe5 36.Rxe5 f6 37.Rc5 g5 38.Kf2 Kg7 39.g4 Kg6!

Black converts this winning endgame very instructively. Just being up a piece will not win the game all by itself. Instead, she alertly creates a passed pawn on the kingside. This pawn will go on to promote.

40.Rd5 h5! 41.Rc5 hxg4 42.hxg4 Kh6!

Awesome! ...f6-f5 was not possible so she slowly prepares this break. Once achieved, there will be nothing in the way of the g5-pawn.

43.Rc6 Rf8 44.Rb6 Bd3!

There is no reason to let go of the b5-pawn.

45.Ke3 Bc4 46.Ke4 Kg7 47.Kf5 Bd3+ 48.Ke6 f5!

Mission accomplished!

49.Rb7+

Black's last move had even set a trap, which White avoided in the game: 49.gxf5 Rf6+! 50.Ke7 Rxb6 etc.

49...Kg6 50.gxf5+ Bxf5+ 51.Kd5 g4

Black's strategy has been crowned with success. The g-pawn has no white pawns in its way and the little guy goes in for the touchdown.

52.Rb6+ Rf6 53.Rxb5 g3 54.Rxa5 g2 55.Ra8!

White fights back well, spotting one last trick to try.

55...Be6+!

And she avoids it! Especially in long and tiring games, it becomes very easy to miss something like 55...g1Q? 56.Rg8+! Kf7 57.Rxg1

56.Kc5 g1Q

The g8-square is covered and Black has everything under control.

57.b4 Qg5+ 58.Kc6 Bd5+ 59.Kc5 Bxa8+ 60.Kc4 Rc6+ 61.Kb3 Qd5+ 62.c4 Qxc4+ 63.Kb2 Qc2+ 64.Ka1 Ra6!

A lot of kids would have kept giving check in the wild hope that it would be checkmate. Sanjana correctly sees that the White king is exactly where it should be - all she needs to do is give ONE check...the RIGHT check...for it to be checkmate.

65.d5 Rxa3# 0-1

A very well-played opening, middlegame AND endgame by Sanjana against a strong opponent. Congrats!

Katelyn Lu (483)

Joel Burnham (280)

Four Knights: Spanish, C48

White fights back from the edge of defeat.

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Nf6 4.Nc3 Bc5 5.Bxc6 bxc6?!

5...dxc6! would protect the e5-pawn thanks to a trick. For example: 6.Nxe5 Bxf2+! 7.Kxf2 Qd4+ and she regains the knight.

6.Nxe5 d6 7.Nxc6 Qd7 8.e5

White could (and should) retreat her knight with 8.Na5 and then bring it back closer to the center with Nb3 or Nc4 next. This is a lot of moves with the knight, true. However, the brave pony did a good job by winning a couple of pawns.

8...Ng4

Stronger was 8...Qxc6! 9.exf6 Qxg2

9.Qf3 0-0

The position is very complicated.

10.e6 fxe6 11.Ne5 dxe5 12.Qxa8 Bd4

Black could have won the brave white queen with 12...Bxf2+! 13.Kd1 Ne3+! Pin! 14.Ke2 Ba6+ 15.d3 Rxa8 etc.

13.Qe4 Nxf2 14.Qh4 Nxb1 15.Ne4

Defending against ...Bf2+. However, things are still very grim for White. She is very far behind in development...not to mention down a piece.

15...g5?

The golden rule about winning positions is, "Never make things more difficult for yourself than is absolutely necessary!!".

The newly weakened black king gives White some hope of one day saving herself by perpetual check. Perhaps Black thought White would play Nxb5 here, allowing ... Bf2+?

16.Nxb5? Rf4?

I guess not! 16...Bf2+!

17.Qh5 Bf2+ 18.Kd1 Rh4 19.Qf3 Ba6 20.d3

White is still alive.

20...Qd8

The scoresheet suggests that this may not have been the move actually played, but it is easy to guess the next few moves by what soon happened.

21.Nxe6 Qe7 22.Ng5 Qb4

The position appears to be correct again.

23.Qf7+ Kh8 24.Ke2 Qe1+ 25.Kf3

Now Black could have won.

25...e4+

This doesn't throw away the win just yet.

25...Qd1#

26.Nxe4 Rxh2??

Oh no! Again 26...Qd1#

27.Qf8#! 1-0

Checkmate! Escapes like this one happened many times in this tournament. The moral of the story is, "Never lose hope and never resign!" Katelyn lost in the first round to someone nearly 600-pts higher than herself, but this round two win spurred her on to a 4.0 finish and a big rating gain. Nice job!

Clara McGrew (2015)

Alex Bembien (1438)

Sicilian: Grand Prix, B23

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.f4 e6 4.Nf3 d5 5.exd5

I am no expert on this line, but it appears that 5.Bb5 first is more accurate. It keeps more options open for White. For example: 5.Bb5 Nf6 6.Bxc6+ bxc6 7.d3 Ba6 8.e5 Nd7 White scores very well from this position, as the attack on the kingside

is easy to play and the black c-pawns are hard to undouble.

5...exd5 6.Bb5 Nf6 7.0-0 Be7 8.Bxc6+ bxc6 9.Ne5 Qc7 10.d3 0-0

The two players and I were already under the impression that White had won the opening battle (A nice centralized knight, two targets on c5+c6, etc) but this is not the right assessment as we shall see.

11.Na4

A plan of b2-b3 and Ba3 is a very common idea.

11...Bd6 12.Qe2 Re8 13.Qf2

If Black takes on e5, White gets c5 in return.

13...Bxe5?! Only now does Black get himself into serious trouble. Challenging White's best piece with 13...Ng4! would have turned the tables based on 14.Nxg4 Bxg4 15.Nxc5? Re2 16.Qd4 Rxc2

14.fxe5 Ng4

14...Qxe5 15.Nxc5

15.Qxc5 Qxe5 16.Bf4

There was a tiny threat in the position.

16...Qe6 17.h3 Nf6 18.Qf2

White has a large advantage now. Her minor pieces are much better than their counterparts. The bishop on c8 is surprisingly useless. It has no useful role.

18...Bd7?

As is so often the case, an unpleasant position leads to a bad mistake. Clara correctly noted that Black could have blunted some of White's pressure with 18...Qf5; Maybe another try was the active 18...Qe2

19.Bg5!

Hitting the two weakest squares in Black's position (f6 and c5) with maximum force. It's over.

19...Nh5 20.Nc5 Qg6 21.Nxd7 Qxg5 22.Qxf7+ Kh8 23.Rae1!

It is important to never relax after winning material. White shuts down Black's counterplay.

23...Rxe1 24.Rxe1 Qd8

Covering the back-rank mate threat and protecting the h5-knight by counter-attacking the d7-knight. Clever!

25.Re7! h6

Black's position is walking on eggshells.

26.g4!

But after this, the house of cards finally comes down. The knight is lost due to the mate threat on g7.

26...Qg8 27.Qxh5 Rd8 28.Nf6!

"Tactics flow from a positionally superior position."

28...Qf8 29.Qxh6+! gxh6 30.Rh7# 1-0

In style! Black put up a brave fight in this one, but after the slip on move 13 and the

error on move 18, there was nothing he could do no matter how hard he tried. A convincing win by Clara.

Katelyn Lu (483)

Ashrith Mathiyazhagan (596)

Four Knights: Spanish, C48

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Bc5 4.0-0 Nf6 5.Nc3 0-0 6.Bxc6 bxc6 7.Nxe5 Bb7?

Black could regain the pawn with the typical trick 7...Bd4 8.Nf3 Bxc3 followed by taking on e4.

8.d3

Don't be shy! When your opponent so freely offers you the center, take it! Better was 8.d4!

8...d6 9.Ng4

The knight could have gone back to f3, but Katelyn has other ideas.

9...Bc8 10.Bg5 Bd4

Black should have tried 10...Bxg4! 11.Bxf6 Bxd1 12.Bxd8 Bxc2 13.Bxc7 etc.

11.Nxf6+ gxf6?

Maybe Black forgot that he could retake with the bishop on d4? That would have been much better than weakening his king like this.

12.Bh6!

This move not only attacks the rook but sets up a possible mating attack.

12...Re8 13.Ne2!

My favorite move of the game. White should attack the black king but there are not enough pieces over there to do it. So, logically, she swings the knight over!

13...c5 14.Ng3

Not bad. However, with his last move, Black had put his own bishop in jail. White could have locked him up with 14.c3 Be5 15.f4! and amazingly, there's nowhere for the bishop to go.

14...Bxb2 15.Rb1 Be5 16.Nf5 Kh8?

The losing error. Black had to take the knight.

17.Qg4!

Now Black is too late to take the knight thanks to checkmate on g7!

17...Rg8 18.Bg7+ Rxg7 19.Qxg7# 1-0

Mattson, Bridger (Unr)

Mundrigi, Abhinay (276)

Ruy Lopez: Pilnik, C90

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 d6 4.0-0 a6 5.Ba4 b5 6.Bb3 Be7 7.Re1 Nf6 8.c3 0-0

Neither player was aware that this is the opening of World Champions! This is the main line Ruy Lopez, or "Spanish" Opening.

9.d3

It is useful to see what the other main tries are here. 9.d4 was the true main line for a

long time until the move 9...Bg4 was discovered. This puts pressure on the d4-pawn. Even so, 9.d4 is still popular to this day.; Now that we know about the ...Bg4 move, it will come as no surprise that White began to prevent it with 9.h3! and indeed, this has been considered the main line now for decades.

9...Bg4?!

A dubious mark? Why? One square can make all the difference! If the white pawn was on d4, this move would be pretty strong. Here, however, the pawn is on d3 - therefore there is NO real pressure on White this time around. Chess, like sports, is a game of inches.

10.h3! Bxf3

If 10...Bh5 then the standard Ruy Lopez Knight Maneuver would follow, with 11.Nbd2 Re8 12.Nf1 Qd7 13.Ng3! Bxf3 14.Qxf3 White's attack will be very strong after Ng3-f5.

11.gxf3?

Oh no! White must have forgotten that he could take with the queen. We are about to see another disaster along the g-file.

11...Nh5!

Perfect play. Black prevents White from undoubling his f-pawns with f3-f4.

12.d4 exd4 13.cxd4 Bg5!

Excellent. The f4-square will make a perfect home for a piece because there are no pawns that can protect this square. Black's attack is gathering steam.

14.Bxg5 Qxg5+ 15.Kf1 b4 16.Ba4 Nf4!

15...b4 was unnecessary but he gets back on track. White is lost.

17.Re3!

The only move to stop an immediate checkmate.

17...Qg2+ 18.Ke1 Qg1+ 19.Kd2 Qxf2+ 20.Kc1 Qxe3+

Everything falls.

21.Qd2 Nd3+ 22.Kc2 Ne1+ 23.Kc1 Nd3+ 24.Kc2 b3+ 25.axb3 Ncb4+ 26.Kd1 Nf2+ 27.Kc1 Nbd3+

White must have been getting dizzy with all of these knight checks!

28.Kc2 Ne1+ 29.Kc1 Qxf3!

Setting a trap.

30.Qxe1?

White falls for it!

30...Nd3+! 31.Kd2 Nxe1 32.Kxe1 Rfe8 33.Bxe8 Rxe8 34.Nd2 Qg3+ 35.Kd1 Qg1+ 36.Kc2 Qxa1 37.d5 0-1

The scoresheet becomes unreadable at this point but Black went on to win.

Rajanish Rajan (1447)

Tim McGrew (2195)

Sicilian: Alapin, B22

While the kids battled it out in the main event, the parents duelled each other in the Sponsors Tournament. Here we see underdog (and under-rated!) Rajanish Rajan battle hard against one of Michigan's top chess players, Tim McGrew.

1.e4 d5 2.e5

The best move here is 2.exd5 but, as Rajanish explained after the game, he was trying to avoid the main paths against a known opening theoretician. I can guarantee that Tim would have found a way to sacrifice something after this move.

2...c5 3.c3 Nc6 4.d4 Bf5

Black has the best of both the French and Caro-Kann defenses.

5.Bb5 e6 6.Bxc6+ bxc6

Black does not fear these doubled pawns in the least. At any moment he can undouble them by taking on d4.

7.Ne2 Qb6 8.Qb3 Bd3

This bishop is really annoying and it will be the reason for White's eventual downfall later... although not in the way that one might think!

9.Qxb6 axb6 10.a3

White is not lost but Black has everything he could wish for. Suddenly, however, the first player begins to fight back. I am reminded of the first Rocky movie!

10...h5 11.Nf4 Bf5 12.h4 c4

I would not have pushed this pawn yet. Tim was probably irked a bit by ...Nh6 losing a pawn and ...Ne7 giving White the option of dxc5. Looking at this position some days after it was played, I wondered how Black should have continued here. The key imbalance is Black's ownership of the bishop pair. Bishops love open positions (this is the main reason why I did not like ...c4 so much) so with that knowledge, I would suggest 12...f6! as being the best way forward for Black. White's center would have been under heavy pressure and diagonals would have opened for the bishop pair.

13.Be3 Ne7 14.Nd2 Ng6

Perhaps another misstep. The position is closed so knights are more useful than bishops. For this reason, I wouldn't want to exchange my last remaining knight.

15.Nf3 Kd7 16.Nxg6 Bxg6

Black's position is still preferable but, just like in the first Rocky movie, White is

showing no signs of going down by knockout.

17.Bg5 Be4

The pesky bishop returns.

18.Rh3 Ra5 19.Rd1! Nice. White's rook prepares to defend the b-pawn laterally.

19...c5

Trying to open the position for the bishops.

20.Rg3 Bg6 21.Rd2

Again, Black's position is very nice and he does own a slight advantage...but just how is he going to open the position? Suddenly ...f6 is not possible and ...Be7 would mean no more bishop pair.

21...cxd4

Another move that Black does not really want to play.

22.Nxd4 This knight is now arguably the best minor piece on the board. White's pressure on Black's kingside also makes it difficult to unravel the rest of his pieces.

22...Bc5 23.Ne2

Black was never going to take the knight so it could have stayed centralized.

23...Rb5 24.Be3!

If the dark-squared bishops are exchanged, there will be no doubting that White has the better minor piece.

24...Bxe3?!

After this capture, the position is equal! The bizarre-looking 24...Bf8!? warranted attention. This would have preserved the bishop pair although I feel White that shouldn't be that much worse.

25.fxe3?!

Daring! This wrecks White's pawn structure but in return, White gets total control of the dark squares and active play along the f-file. I like it! That being said, there was absolutely nothing wrong with 25.Rxe3 and Rajanish seemed like he would have played it this way if given a second chance. It is certainly the safer of the two recaptures.

25...Rh7

Black is tied down to the defense of the g7-pawn. His initiative has dried up.

26.Nd4 Rc5 27.Rf2 Ke7

And now his king must cover the f7-pawn if his bishop is to move. Speaking of the bishop... this piece was an absolute monster earlier in the game, but now all of White's pieces and pawns are on dark squares! His best piece slowly transformed into his worst piece.

28.Rf4 Be4 29.Nf3 Bf5 30.Nd4 g6!

The cagey veteran tempts White to take the bishop.

31.Nxf5+?

Oh no! This bishop had been such a pain in White's side for so long that he could not help but chop this guy off as soon as possible.

31...exf5!

Suddenly White will lose material as the e5-pawn is attackable.

32.Ke2?

A further mistake. After this one, the fight is over.

32...Rb5!

Surprisingly the b-pawn cannot be protected. The scoresheet gets a little dicey around these parts.

33.b4 cxb3 34.Rf1 b2 35.Rb1 Rh8 36.Kd2 Ra8 37.Kc2 Rxa3 38.Rxb2 Rxb2+ 39.Kxb2 Ra4 0-1

This appears to be correct but the scoresheet stops at this point. The damage has been done - not only is Black ahead in material but White's remaining pawns are too weak to stay on the board much longer. A great fight by a man who was clearly enjoying chess, life and the bonding experience with his son, who was also playing in the tournament. I will try to have the same amount of enthusiasm in my next event!

Alexander Boyd (1138)

Sanjana Ramesh (1054)

Scotch, C45

The last-round encounter between two eventual trophy winners! Alex won first place in the 5th-grade group while Sanjana took first place in the 4th-grade group. Enjoy the game!

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Bc5 5.Nf3

This move does not score well in practice. Black gets a dangerous lead in development. Better is 5.Nxc6; Or 5.Be3; Or 5.Nb3 which is similar to 5.Nf3 but comes with tempo against the bishop on c5.

5...d6 6.Bc4 Nf6 7.Nc3 0-0 8.Bg5 Bg4 9.Qd3 a5?

This does not fight for the center in any way. Better was to question the bishop with 9...h6

10.Nd5!

Uh oh, it's this pin again!

10...Ne5?

Losing material. 10...Nb4! was required, successfully fighting off the d5-knight by attacking the queen at the same time.

11.Nxe5 dxe5

The winning move here must have something to do with the pin. The only question is - how?

12.Qg3?

Tempting, but it allows a beautiful counter-punch. Best was 12.Bxf6! gxf6 13.Qg3 Only now, when this queen move is a real pin. 13...Qc8 14.Qxg4+! Qxg4 15.Nxf6+ and White recovers the queen and ends a piece up.

12...Qc8?

The stunning 12...Nxe4! would have worked. It is important to remember that if a piece is pinned to the king, the pinned piece can never move - HOWEVER!! - if the piece is pinned to a queen or a rook, then sometimes the pinned piece can move!

13.Bxf6! c6

Black tries her only real chance. Only now did she notice 13...gxf6 14.Nxf6+ etc.

14.Be7

14.Ne7+ would have been less complicated but White is winning after the move he played in the game as well.

14...cxd5 15.Bxf8 Bxf8 16.Bb3

16.Bxd5! was best.

16...dxe4

Suddenly Black has some fighting chances again.

17.0-0 Qf5 18.h3 Bh5 19.Rfe1 Bg6 20.Bd5!

Good! White starts to target Black's weak pawns.

20...Qd7 21.Rad1 Qc7 22.Bxe4

Smart would have been 22.c3! and only then picking up e4. This wins the pawn in the best possible circumstance.

22...Bxe4 23.Rxe4 Qxc2

And this is why I would have preferred c2-c3. Black's chances of drawing go up if all of the queenside pawns (for both sides) are exchanged. Why? Because the rook is an effective long-range attacker. If all of the pawns are on just one side of the

board, the bishop has a better chance of holding against a rook. The bishop doesn't have to compete on both sides of the board.

24.Qd3 Qxb2 25.Re2!

Good. White has had enough of Black chomping down on pawns. Keeping the a2-pawn on the board will later win White the game.

25...Qb6 26.Rxe5 Bc5 27.Rb1 Bxf2+?

Taking this "free" pawn turns out to be not-so-free.

28.Kf1 Qf6 29.Rf5!

The bishop is lost.

29...Qh4 30.Rxf2

Black tried her best from here, but White converted the win nicely.

30...Rd8 31.Qf3 Qc4+ 32.Kg1 b5 33.Rd1 Rf8 34.Rd5 a4 35.Qd3!

A very instructive move. White uses his extra material to "threaten" an exchange. He knows full well that Black does not dare exchange queens and so he wins the b5-pawn.

35...Qc7 36.Qxb5 Qa7 37.Rd7 Qe3 38.Rd3 Qa7 39.Ra3!

It will be a lot easier to win the game if White had an extra queen. Luckily, there is one such pawn ready to do just that! It is the a2-pawn that White saved from extermination all the way back on move 25.

39...Rc8 40.Rxa4 Rc1+ 41.Kh2 Qc7+ 42.Raf4 Qd8 43.a4 h6 44.Qb3 Rc7 45.a5 Qd6 46.Qb8+ Kh7 47.a6! g5

47...Qxa6 48.Qxc7 was White's point.

48.a7 gxf4 49.a8Q f3+ 50.g3 h5 51.Qg8+ There are some faster wins around here, but what White does is perfectly fine. 51.Qh8+ Kg6 52.Qxf3 would have led to a mate in 4 according to my computer.

51...Kh6 52.Qaf8+ Qxf8 53.Qxf8+ Kg6 54.Rxf3 f6 55.Qxf6+ Kh7 56.Qf5+ Kh6 57.Qf4+ Kg7 58.Qxc7+ Kg6 59.Qf7+ Kh6 60.Rf5 h4 61.Rh5# 1-0

Both players showed me some great chess during the event and I am happy that they both won their respective sections. Deservedly so!

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Online MCA Membership Join or Renewals:

<https://onlineregistration.cc/memberships/MCA/index.php>

Online Payments Accepted, Instant Feedback of Registration/Membership. MCA recommends purchasing membership through our new online system prior to attending local events to avoiding processing delays.

All events require USCF and MCA memberships, and are No Smoking, No Computers unless otherwise stated. Memberships can be purchased at any tournament. Other state memberships are acceptable for non-Michigan residents. Please send your tournament announcements via e-mail to jeffchess@charter.net.

PLEASE NOTE! Events listed are a service of MCA. MCA is in no way responsible for cancellations or changes. Be sure to always contact your organizer! Website @ <http://www.michess.org>

JULY TOURNAMENTS:

Jul 19 Genesee County C.C. Action Quads

Eastside Senior Citizens Center Activity Room. 3065 N. Genesee Rd, Flint. 3-RR, Sect of 4 by Rtg, TL: G/25;d5. RDs: 6:30-7:30-8:30pm. EF: \$5 REG: 6-6:25pm \$\$: \$15/Quad. Ent&Info: Jeff Aldrich, (810) 955-7271, jeffchess64@gmail.com

Jul 23-24 2016 ANNUAL UNIVERSAL SUMMER SWISS

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Jul 24 CANTON SUNDAY QUADS

Canton Public Library, 1200 South Canton Center Rd, Canton, MI 48188. 3-RR. TL: G/30 (G/25;d5). RDs: 1:15pm-2:30pm-3:45pm. EF: \$10 by PayPal only before 8pm Sat. No Onsite Reg. \$\$: \$20 per quad. Ent/Info: Manmohan Das (mrwiz.usa@gmail.com)

AUGUST TOURNAMENTS:

Aug 7-11 North American Youth Chess Championships

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Aug 8-29 UNIVERSAL MONTH-LONG SWISS

All the King's Men Chess Supplies, 26640 Gratiot Ave, Roseville, MI 48066. 4-SS. TL: G/90;d5. RDs: 6:15pm each week. EF: \$25. Reg: 4:30-6pm. \$\$: 70% of entries. Ent/Info: Dr. Ed Mandell, (586) 558-4790. Email: allthekingsmench@aol.com, <http://www.allthekingsmenchess.com>

Aug 9-23 UNIVERSAL TUESDAY NIGHT RATED QUADS

All the King's Men Chess Supplies, 26640 Gratiot Ave, Roseville, MI 48066. 3-RR. TL: G/75;d5. RDs: 6:30pm each week. EF: \$25. Reg: 5-6pm. \$\$: 70% of entries. Ent/Info: Dr. Ed Mandell, (586) 558-4790. Email: allthekingsmench@aol.com, <http://www.allthekingsmenchess.com>

Aug 13 UNIVERSAL ACTION SWISS

All the King's Men Chess Supplies, 26640 Gratiot Ave, Roseville, MI 48066. **5-SS. TL:** G/30;d5. **Rds:** 11:30am-1:30pm-2:45pm-4:00pm-5:45pm. **EF:** \$35 by Aug 9, add \$10 after. **Reg:** 9-10:30am. **\$\$:** \$725 (b/30; min 5/group): \$200-\$125, Top U2200, U1900, U1600, U1300/Unr: \$100 each **Ent/Info:** Dr. Ed Mandell, (586) 558-4790. Email: allthekingsmench@aol.com, <http://www.allthekingsmenchess.com>

Aug 15-18 UNIVERSAL ADVANCED SUMMER CHESS CAMP

All the King's Men Chess Supplies, 26640 Gratiot Ave, Roseville, MI 48066. 9am-4pm Mon-Thu. **EF:** \$265. **Reg/Ent/Info:** <http://www.onlineregistration.cc>; Marcie Kahn, (586) 558-4790. Fax: (586) 558-2046; Dr. Ed Mandell (586) 635-2375; Email: allthekingsmench@aol.com, <http://www.allthekingsmenchess.com>

Aug 16 Genesee County CC QUICK SWISS

Eastside Senior Center, 3065 N Genesee Rd. Flint, MI 48506. **5-SS**, One Section with Class Prizes. **Reg:** 6:00-6:25pm **Rds:** 6:30-7-7:30-8-8:30pm. **EF:** \$5 **TL:** G/13;d3. **\$\$:** 75%. **Ent/Info:** Jeff Aldrich 810-955-7271; jeffchess64@gmail.com

SEPTEMBER TOURNAMENTS:

Sep 2-5 ★★ 2016 MICHIGAN OPEN Detroit Marriott Livonia

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Sep 4 ★★ 2016 MICHIGAN SPEED CHAMPIONSHIP

Detroit Marriott Livonia *Held during the Michigan Open / See Back Page*

Sep 13 Genesee County CC Blitz Extravaganza!

Eastside Senior Center, 3065 N. Genesee Rd. Flint, MI 48506. **2RR**. Sect of 6-8 by rtg.. **Reg:** 6:00-6:25pm **Rds:** Starts about 6:30pm. **EF:** \$5 **TL:** G/5 (no delay). **\$\$:** Sect of 8: 1st \$16-\$8; Sect of 7: 1st \$14-\$7; Sect of 6: \$12-\$6. **Ent/Info:** Jeff Aldrich 810-955-7271. jeffchess64@gmail.com

Sep 16-18 HAROLD STEEN MEMORIAL CUP

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Sep 24 Thinker's Challenge #1 *Details TBD*

Sep 27 Genesee County C.C. Free Rated Swiss

Eastside Senior Citizens Center Activity Room. 3065 N Genesee Rd, Flint.

3-SS. TL: G/25;d5. **Rds:** 6:30-7:30-8:30pm. **EF:** \$ **Reg:** 6:00-6:25pm **\$\$:** None. **Ent/Info:** Jeff Aldrich, (810) 955-7271, jeffchess64@gmail.com

OCTOBER TOURNAMENTS:

Oct 1-2 ★★MICHIGAN BOTTOM HALF CLASS CHAMPIONSHIPS

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Oct 15-16 ★★2016 MICHIGAN SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS★★

Note: Dates & Location changes. See Details Below.

Oct 18 – Nov 15 Genesee County C.C. Club Championship

Eastside Senior Center, 3065 N. Genesee Rd. Flint, MI 48506. **5-SS**, 1/gm/wk, Up to 2 half-point byes in rds 1-4. Please arrive by 6:25pm each week to be paired. Zero point bye for those not informing TD of absence.

Reg: 10/18 or 10/25, 6-6:25pm. **Rds:** 6:30/wk. **EF:** \$8 (\$6 U18) **TL:** G/80;d5. **\$\$:** 1st, 2nd 3rd, Top U1800, U1600, U1400, U1200, U1000/Unr.

Ent/Info: Jeff Aldrich 810-955-7271, jeffchess64@gmail.com

Oct 22 Thinker's Challenge #2 *Details TBD*

PLAN AHEAD CALENDAR:

Nov 13 ★★ Michigan Women's Championship ★★

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Nov 25-27 2016 MOTOR CITY OPEN *Edward Village Hotel, Dearborn*

Dec 3 Thinker's Challenge #3 *Details TBD*

Dec 13 Genesee County CC Action Quads *Flint*

Jan 14-15, 2017 ★★2017 MICHIGAN MASTER/EXPERT & CLASS CHAMPIONSHIPS ★★ *Radisson Hotel, Lansing*

2016 MICHIGAN SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

Roseville, October 15-16, 2016

SITE:	All the King's Men Chess Supplies, 26640 Gratiot Ave, Roseville, MI 48066.
FORMAT	4-SS / 2 Sections Must be 50 years old by 12/31/2016. Open and Reserve (U1600) One ½-point bye available in rounds 1-3, must be requested prior to round 2. USCF & MCA required. Members of other Senior Centers: Bring your sign in cards to swipe in here.
ENTRY FEE:	\$20 by 10/13, On-site: \$25
ADVANCE REGISTRATION:	Online Registrtion Preferred: https://www.onlineregistration.cc/ DR. ED MANDELL All The King's Men Chess and Brain Games, Inc. 26640 Gratiot Avenue, Roseville, MI 48066 (586) 558-4790 • Fax: (586) 558-2046 Email: allthekingsmench@aol.com
ON-SITE REGISTRATION:	Saturday, 9:00-9:45am
ROUNDS:	4-SS; 10am, 3pm Both Days
TIME CONTROL:	G/135;d5
PRIZES	Open: 1st: \$75 + Trophy 2nd & U1800: Trophy Reserve: 1st: \$50 + Trophy 2nd & U1400: Trophy

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2016 MICHIGAN OPEN

September 2-5, 2016

7 Round Swiss, 3 Sections: Open (All), Reserve (under 1800), Booster (under 1200)
ONLY 4 and 3 day schedules available for Open section, Open Section FIDE Rated.
4-day, 3-day, and 2-day schedules available for Reserve
ONLY 3 and 2 day schedules available for Booster section

SITE:	Detroit Marriott Livonia 17100 Laurel Park Drive North Livonia, MI 48152						
ROOM RATE	Rates guaranteed through August 12 , after if space available. Room Rate: King \$94 / Double \$104 Includes Complimentary Breakfast Phone: 734-462-3100						
ELLIGIBILITY:	USCF membership required. MCA membership required for Michigan residents. OPEN Section will be FIDE rated (4-day Time Control Games Only)						
REGISTRATION:	Online: www.onlineregistration.cc Jeff Aldrich, P.O. Box 40, Flint, MI 48501, 810-955-7271, jeffchess64@gmail.com On-Site: (4-day): Fri 6:00-6:29pm, (3-day): Sat 8:30-8:59am, (2-day): Sun 8:00-8:29am.						
ENTRY FEES:	<i>By Mail</i>	4-day Paid by 8/29	3-day Paid by 8/29	2-day Paid by 8/29	All after 8/29		
	OPEN:	\$55	\$56	-----	\$65		
	RESERVE:	\$45	\$46	\$47	\$55		
	BOOSTER:	-----	\$31	\$32	\$40		
	Online: Entry fee is lowest advance rated for each section. Advanced: <u>Must be received and paid by Mon, Aug 29.</u> All entries paid after 8/29 are \$10 more. Juniors: (U18) \$5 discount. Re-entry allowed for 4-day advance price. Free Entry to GM/IM/FM/2200+ when registering by 8/29, \$55 EF deducted from prize. Advance Payments: Check made payable to MCA . On-Site Payments: Cash, Check made payable to MCA , or Credit Card.						
	SCHEDULE:	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5	Round 6
4-day:	9/2, 7:00pm	9/3, 10:00am	9/3, 5:30pm	9/4, 10:00am	9/4, 3:30pm	9/5, 9:30am	9/5, 3:00pm
3-day:	9/3, 9:30am	9/3, 12:00pm					
2-day:	9/4, 9:00am	9/4, 10:30am	9/4, 12:00pm	9/4, 1:30pm			
TIME CONTROL:	4-day: 40/120;d5, SD/30;d5 3-day: Rounds 1&2, G/75;d5 then merge 2-day: Rounds 1-4, G/30;d5 then merge.						
MEMBERSHIP MEETING:	3:30pm Saturday, September 3. MCA members, make your voice heard!						

\$3150 GUARANTEED PRIZE FUND: Trophies for all Place-Winners

OPEN: 1st \$500, 2nd \$300, 3rd \$250. (20 Grand Prix Points); **U2200:** \$200; **U2100:** \$200; **U2000:** \$200; **U1900:** \$200.

RESERVE: 1st \$300, 2nd \$225, 3rd \$150; **U1600:** \$125; **U1500:** \$125; **U1400:** \$125; **U1300:** \$125; **U1200:** \$125

BOOSTER (Trophies only): 1st, 2nd, 3rd ; **U1000:** 1st and 2nd; **U800:** 1st and 2nd; **U600** 1st and 2nd; **Unrated** 1st.

Sep 4 ★★2016 MICHIGAN SPEED CHAMPIONSHIP ★★

Held with the Michigan Open. USCF Blitz rated, Memb Rqrd. **5-2SS. TL:** G5;d0. **Rds:** Starts at 9pm. **EF:** \$18 online in adv. \$25 onsite. **Reg:** www.onlineregistration.cc, Sun 9:00am-8:00pm. **\$\$:** 1st Troph + \$150, 2nd: \$125, 3rd: \$100, 4th: \$75, 5th: \$50; Troph 1st, 2nd U2000, U1800, U1600, U1400, U1200, U1000, U800, U600, U400, Unr