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## EDITOR'S NOTE

It has been a refreshing experience to be able to attend and play in this year's Amateur and Bottom-half Class tournaments, obviously, not due to my overpowering chess prowess, but because it has enabled me to converse with fellow chess enthusiasts, and learn more about how they perceive the efforts of our new editorial crew for *MI Chess*. We are both pleased and humbled by the very positive reception that our past few issues have illicited and are motivated more than ever to produce high quality, high value publications that best serve the interests and desires of our readers. As usual, this issue, will feature a plethora of games, pictures, cross tables, quotations from our chess heroes, cartoons, and personal interest stories , but additionally, we are asking for some written feedback from you to assist us in determining the selections you most value as we move forward to make each issue of *MI Chess* a superlative experience for you. Please drop us an email if you have an idea for a story, analysis to contribute, or simply desire to share your thoughts by contacting me at: [michessmag@gmail.com](mailto:michessmag@gmail.com)! - Lon Rutkofske

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## St. Clair Chess Club – by Tom Broyles

When you live around the Great Lakes, you learn that every fish variety has a strategy to survive, even the smallest kind. The same must be true for chess clubs. What strategy is at play to keep a chess club alive in one of the smallest towns with a club? (Lakeview, Michigan probably takes top honors here!) The **St. Clair Chess Club** has been going strong for over 15 years, meeting Saturdays, 10 a.m. ...until whenever at **Burger King** on Clinton Avenue in St. Clair. How does it survive when presently there are only 25 chess clubs listed in the Michigan Chess Association's Magazine?

### VISIBILITY:

The club got off to a good start in the basement of a church, but almost nobody knew it was there. The church required it to have a person with the key at each meeting from start to the finish. Some people didn't feel comfortable in a church not affiliated with their denomination. Additionally, it became a "hassle" to bring in refreshments and their finances proved to be problematic. Members had to be responsible for kids that were frequently dropped off when parents weren't always in attendance.

These problems dissolved when the club relocated to the St. Clair Burger King. With a manager always on staff, thus eliminating the need for a "key person", its location close to the main highway (M-29's River Road), as well as its proximity to the St. Clair River, the restaurant had the highest visibility of any place in town on Saturdays. The refreshment conundrum was immediately resolved and parents could sit somewhere close by without "hovering" over their youngsters; some even want to learn, too!! Now most people in town probably know that there is chess being played at Burger King every Saturday.

SCCC meetings are always listed in two small local papers giving exposure throughout the community.

### COMMUNITY RELATIONSHIPS:

Burger King was of course asked if the club could play there on Saturdays. SCCC benefits as much, as does Burger King. Manager Shannon Fox says, "We love having you guys here!" Club members purchase food, clean up after themselves, give other customers something to see when they



come in, and add another level of security by having additional patrons in the restaurant. Fox says members always treat staff with respect and are not viewed as "freeloaders" because "they buy food"!

### BALANCED PLAY:

Nobody likes to lose all the time. Some balance can be achieved by allowing the less experienced player to take back a move or even get a suggestion for a line of play. Weaker players can specialize in a particular opening or defense and so win some games, even offering instruction in their specialty. Most of the time players come, they "win some, lose some".

### BEING A LEARNING CLUB:

New players are always welcomed with plenty of instruction and available help. Members learn from each other. Chess books are shared. SCCC

members have taught chess at community elementary schools' summer enrichment programs of usually 6 weeks. A "Top Gun" learning recognition program was developed by club co-founder **Jaime Chan** to



Co-founders: Jaime Chan takes on Tom Broyles. motivate children and let parents know what their child needed to learn. Four levels of recognition certificates encourage young players to strive for advancement to the next level. (Email Tom Broyles: [tjbroyles@aol.com](mailto:tjbroyles@aol.com) if you would like to receive the document file of certificates and instructions.)

## PARTNERING WITH A LARGER CLUB:

A small club in a small town can't do everything; but it can greatly increase opportunities by having an affiliation with a larger club. Tournaments of various kinds, rankings, newsletters and such are available to our club membership by partnering with the Port Huron Chess Club there by enhancing member options without increasing the work load of managing a smaller club.

## THERE'S FUN TO BE HAD:

SCCC member **Rob Brown** says he enjoys the club because of the "casual, low-key, friendly atmosphere." Shorter games mean no one needs to wait too long to have a game. People come from Romeo, New Baltimore, and Port Huron because they are free on Saturday. Rob says there are always people watching the games. The typical comment

from these observers is that they "used to play chess but just don't have time now". Charter member and avid SCCC promoter, **Tom Broyles**, adds that, "it's always amazing how "smart" people can be when they are not actually sitting across the board!"

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**NEWS**

**ON TODAY'S CALENDAR**  
**PORT HURON:** Music: Old Time Jam Session, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Great Lakes Maritime Center, 51 Water St.  
**PORT HURON:** Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest, noon, St. Mary/McCormick Catholic Academy, 1429 Ballentine St.; free ages 9-14  
**LEXINGTON:** Gospel concert: Mark and Andrea Forester, 5 p.m., Lexington United Methodist Church, 5597 Main St.

Members of the St. Clair Chess Club meet each Saturday morning at the St. Clair Burger King. WINDY TORRELL/TIMES HERALD

# Game on

**Chess club meets weekly**

By BOB GROSS  
Times Herald

**ST. CLAIR** — The setting is a Burger King, but you won't find paper crowns at the tables frequented by Tom Broyles, Dave Boucher and their friends. Members of the St. Clair Chess Club have been meeting for about 10 years on Saturday mornings at the Burger King at 200 Clinton Ave. in St. Clair.

"It's just a wonderful game," said Broyles, who lives in East China Township. "We like to think of it as a sport, and as a sport it doesn't matter how old you are."

"In fact, I get more nervous sometimes playing against an 8-year-old kid than against an adult you have more to lose."

Players start rolling in around 10 a.m., setting up portable chess boards and arranging their pawns, rooks, knights, bishops, queens and kings on the black-and-white squares.

"We'll start at 10 o'clock, and we've been known to close this place down," Broyles said. "You just come when you want to and play."

Boucher, a resident of East China, also is a member of the Port Huron Chess Club. Members play at the Palmer Park Recreation Center.

"It's one of the very few games where there is no element of luck," Boucher said. "It's up to you — how much you can see, how much calculating you have done."

Broyles said everyone is an equal at a chess board.

"Another thing I like about chess is everybody's got problems, and you play chess and they're all gone," he said.

"Yeah," said Boucher. "You're in the game."

Lon Rutkofski of Port Huron is president of the Port Huron Chess Club, which started in 1969.

"It is the Port Huron Recreation Department's longest-running program," he said while watching a game between Broyles and Boucher.

Rutkofski, Broyles and Boucher describe chess as being "beautiful" and "pure."

"It's a challenging game," Rutkofski said. "You never really get the sense that you've mastered the game because there are so many variables."

"There are no limitations because age, gender have no bearing on the game whatsoever. You can play against a 5-year-old and they can kick your fanny as well as an 85-year-old."

Contact Bob Gross at (810) 989-6263 or [rgross@gannett.com](mailto:rgross@gannett.com).

**IF YOU GO**  
**ST. CLAIR CHESS CLUB**  
 » Free chess play and instruction for all ages starts at 10 a.m. on Saturdays at the St. Clair Burger King, 200 Clinton Ave. Play is supposed to end at 2 p.m. but continues as long as players want to play.  
 » Call (810) 326-0121 for more information.

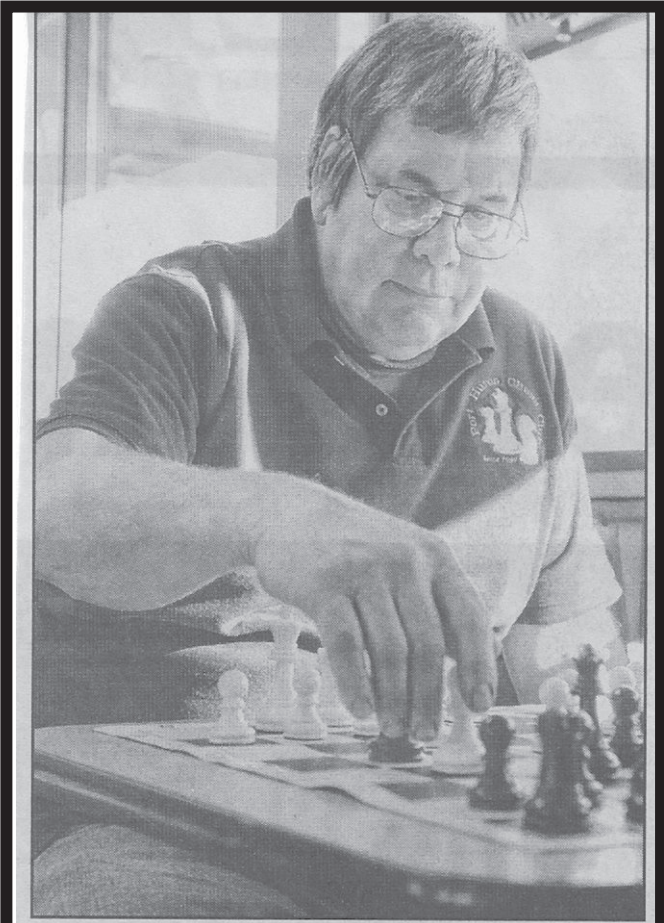
**PLAYING CHESS**  
**PORT HURON CHESS CLUB**  
 » The Port Huron Chess Club meets from 6:30-10 p.m. on Thursdays, except holidays, at the Palmer Park Recreation Center, 2829 Armour St.  
 » Yearly membership fees are \$20 adults, \$10 ages 19 and younger.  
 » The club's website is <http://porthuronchessclub.yolasite.com>  
 » The 2012 club tournament begins at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Palmer Park Recreation Center. Competitors will play a round robin on consecutive Thursdays until the tournament is complete. The tournament is open to current and new club members, and the entry fee is \$20.  
 » The 16th annual Port Huron Area School District chess tournament is 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. March 17 at the Port Huron High School cafeteria. It is open to all district students from kindergarten through 12th grade.



While we understand reading this small print will be a challenge for some, the addition of this article illustrates the value of utilizing local media sources to spread important messages about your club as a tool of community outreach!-ED.

**St. Clair Chess Club –Sat: 10am.- 4:00pm;** St. Clair Burger King - 205 Clinton Ave. – Tom Broyles 810-326-0121 ; e-mail: [tjbroyles@aol.com](mailto:tjbroyles@aol.com) (All but major holidays/weekends.)





David Boucher makes a move during a chess game Saturday morning at the St. Clair Burger King. The men are part of a club that meets each Saturday morning at the restaurant. For more photos from the event, visit [thetimesherald.com](http://thetimesherald.com). WENDY TORELLO/TIMES HERALD



At left, SCCC member, Joe Nadasky is a regular and welcomes all challengers! Here he squares off against Port Huron Chess Club's Bill Wingrove in a typical Saturday morning match up!



Rob Brown takes on Tom Broyles at a central table at the BK.



New Baltimore native, Glenn Paldan has become a fixture at the SCCC and its home at Burger King. He appreciates the camaraderie and relaxed atmosphere that permits him to play with energy and creativity.



Veteran SCCC maven, Noel Body likes his chances with the black pieces against former French professor, Gerrit Beneker.

*Excellence in chess is one mark of a scheming mind. – Arthur Conan Doyle*

## MCA NEWS:

There has been no meeting of Michigan Chess Association Board since the minutes were published for the March 29, 2019 meeting. The next scheduled meeting will occur during the Michigan Open at the General Membership meeting to take place at 4:00 pm. on Sunday, September 1, 2019. You can make your voices heard at this assembly, but voting will be based on the following criteria: (Bylaw change:

Each paid member attending the General Membership Meeting shall have one vote, provided the member is at least 16 years old and has been a member in good standing for at least the prior 30 days. Membership status must be current as of August 2, 2019 to be able to vote!

# BREAKING NEWS !!

**IM Ben Li** was Michigan's representative at the Denker Tournament over the weekend and finished as Co-Champion: <https://www.denkerchess.com/wp-content/uploads/2019-Denker-Standings.pdf>

**Sasha Konovalenko & Michael Zheng** each finished with 3.5 in their respective sections of the Girls National and Barber tournaments: <https://www.barberchess.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/2019-Barber-Standings.pdf>

<https://www.nationalgirlschess.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/2019-Haring-Standings.pdf>

**Brad Rogers** scored 3.0 representing Michigan in the U.S. Senior Tournament:

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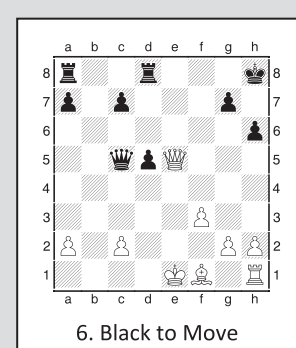
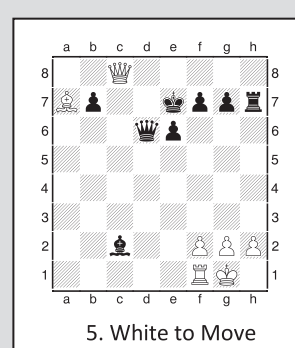
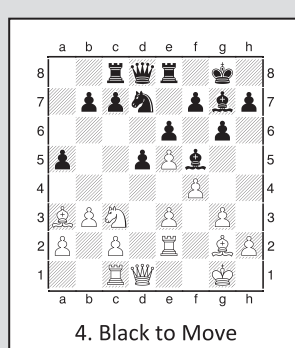
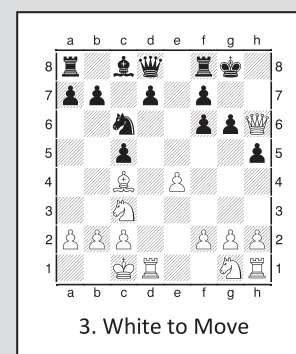
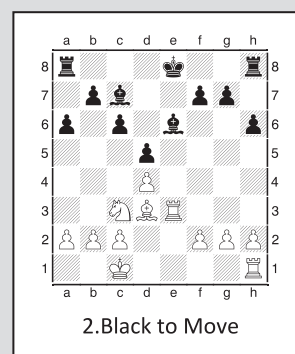
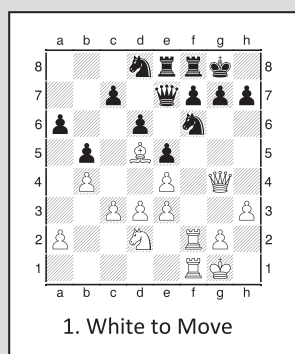
Look for each of their reports in the Winter issue of Michigan Chess!!

## Palmer's Puzzles

By Dr. Tony Palmer

### Quiz 3

These Jason Shi games demonstrate the Pin. Solutions can be found on page 29.





# Report on the 2019 National Elementary Championship

– Article and photos by Christopher Billick

The 2019 National Elementary Championship was held May 10-12 at the Gaylord Opryland resort in Nashville, TN. This year's event had 2,295 players spread across 12 sections playing seven rounds of classical chess over three days. Players hailed from 46 states including 91 players from our great state of Michigan.

The time control for this event was G/90;d5 which was a true classical chess experience for these young players. As you might expect for such a large event, the logistics were highly organized with plenty of tournament staff on the playing floor and outside in the chess control office. Kudos to all of the US Chess Federation staff who managed this tournament like a well-oiled machine.

The majority of kids played in the vast Delta Ballroom. Once the frenetic bustle of finding boards and bidding farewell to parents and coaches was completed, the doors closed and after brief announcements came the call to "Start white's clock!" After handshakes and the clack of the clocks, the rounds began. You can use the following link to browse all of the results: [bit.ly/2019-elem-chess-champs](http://bit.ly/2019-elem-chess-champs)

Once again I was so impressed with the concentration and determination of these players. I quickly and quietly circulated for the 15 minutes allotted to press and photographed the room. I recognized many faces from Michigan tournaments, some of whom are represented in the gallery accompanying these words.

The opening minutes go by in the blink of an eye and was disappointed to feel the silent tapping of the timer on my wrist indicating it was time for me to exit. Outside the ballroom I joined the other parents and coaches, watching the doors for their player, trying to read their expression. As a chess parent, I know Tom Petty was right: the waiting is the hardest part! Potentially 3+ hours for games that went the distance. I left Nashville with even more admiration for the concentration and stamina of these young players. (More images available: <https://christopher.billick.net/2019-national-elementary-championship/>)



**2019 MICHIGAN AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIPS – U2000 SECTION  
JUNE 8-9, 2019 – LANSING, MI.**

Grand Rapids native, **Stan Jarosz** pulled off an encore of his 2018 performance by successfully defending his title in the latest version of the MI Amateur Championships without surrendering a full point in this year's five round *fete*. The state of Illinois was well-represented with **Mikhail Korenman** and **Megan Chen** claiming two of the top three awards in this year's field of 55.

Competition proved fierce as just over fifty percent of the participants finished with even or plus scores. The spirit of camaraderie combined with a sense of competitive determination permeated the tournament hall in this well-orchestrated event as evidenced by a number of first round upsets which created an assortment of speculative scenarios as to the probable outcomes of the event. In the end however, it was Stan that once again proved his mettle to claim the trophy.

In the Under 800 section, **Tarun Swaminathan** and **Heymo Vehse** shared the limelight as they were knotted at 4.5 apiece, with their fourth round draw protecting a share of their "one-two" efforts.

**2019 MI Amateur Champion  
Stanley Jarosz**



**U2000-Co-Champion  
Mikhail Korenman – IL.**



**U2000-3<sup>rd</sup> Place  
Megan Chen – IL.**



**1<sup>st</sup> Place U1800  
Yule Zie**



**1<sup>st</sup> Place U1800  
Charisse Woods**



**1<sup>st</sup> Place U1600  
Ashrith Mathiyazhagan**



**1<sup>st</sup> U1400  
Jesse Ren**



**1<sup>st</sup> U1200  
Kalyan Bhaumik**



**1<sup>st</sup> Unrated  
Monoj Das**



**2<sup>nd</sup> U1800  
Ryan Wang**



**2<sup>nd</sup> U1600  
Zamraat Zagade**



**2<sup>nd</sup> U1200  
Tyler Booher**



## 2019 Michigan Amateur – Under 2000 Section Results

#	Name	Rtng	St	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Tot
1	Stanley Jarosz	1947	MI	W27	W13	D10	W29	W8	4.5
2	Mikhail Korenman	1958	IL	W33	W26	H---	W5	W7	4.5
3	Megan Chen	1768	IL	W28	L11	X44	W13	W21	4.0
4	Gregory Bailey	1900	MI	L30	W45	W32	W11	W6	4.0
5	Charisse Woods	1755	MI	W44	W23	W11	L2	D19	3.5
6	Ashrith Mathiyazhagan	1474	MI	D17	W25	W14	W10	L4	3.5
7	Ryan Wang	1735	MI	W42	W24	H---	W15	L2	3.5
8	Yule Xie	1670	MI	W34	W12	H---	W9	L1	3.5
9	Waleed Yassine	1412	MI	W20	D22	W16	L8	W29	3.5
10	Rajesh Anand	1664	MI	W50	W30	D1	L6	W26	3.5
11	Joshua Muir	1603	MI	W51	W3	L5	L4	W39	3.0
12	Samraat Zagade	1502	MI	W19	L8	D20	D14	W36	3.0
13	Sam Costanzo	1619	MI	W48	L1	W37	L3	W35	3.0
14	John Whitworth	1762	MI	W35	D43	L6	D12	W33	3.0
15	Raymond Burwell	1600	MI	W41	W18	H---	L7	D16	3.0
16	Kevin Yuan	1644	ON	W52	D32	L9	W28	D15	3.0
17	Thomas Triplett	1807	MI	D6	D31	H---	W27	D24	3.0
18	Daniel Yuan	1698	ON	W37	L15	W35	D26	D23	3.0
19	Thomas La Forge	1889	MI	L12	W52	D31	W30	D5	3.0
20	Chris Schmidt	1804	MI	L9	W50	D12	D33	W30	3.0
21	Lonnie Rutkofske	1804	MI	D31	W39	H---	W22	L3	3.0
22	Anthony Holden	1636	MI	W40	D9	H---	L21	W31	3.0
23	David Sundeen	1600	MI	W53	L5	H---	W32	D18	3.0
24	Roman Ugrinovskiy	1602	MI	W54	L7	H---	W34	D17	3.0
25	Alex Kong	1630	MI	D45	L6	D39	W46	W38	3.0
26	Michael Aldrich	1620	MI	W46	L2	W42	D18	L10	2.5
27	Aaron Y Liu	1520	MI	L1	W40	D34	L17	W45	2.5
28	Jesse Ren	1358	MI	L3	W48	D36	L16	W40	2.5

#	Name	Rtng	St	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Tot
29	Leyou Jiang	1635	MI	W49	W38	H---	L1	L9	2.5
30	Henry Rankin	1519	MI	W4	L10	W38	L19	L20	2.0
31	Kenneth Bradfield	1457	MI	D21	D17	D19	D36	L22	2.0
32	Kalyan Bhaumik	1199	MI	W36	D16	L4	L23	D34	2.0
33	Tony Scioly	1531	MI	L2	D46	W45	D20	L14	2.0
34	Inbhavenkat Sundara Rajan	1070	MI	L8	W53	D27	L24	D32	2.0
35	Jan Burdzinski	1338	MI	L14	W47	L18	W49	L13	2.0
36	Frank Spooner	1716	MI	L32	W49	D28	D31	L12	2.0
37	Tyler Booher	1149	MI	L18	W41	L13	L38	W51	2.0
38	Monoj Das	unr.	MI	X---	L29	L30	W37	L25	2.0
39	Daniel Randon	1160	MI	H---	L21	D25	W48	L11	2.0
40	Beril Haskara	982	MI	L22	L27	W54	X42	L28	2.0
41	Kendrick Hodge	unr.	MI	L15	L37	L47	W54	W49	2.0
42	John Hurley	1246	MI	L7	W54	L26	F40	W46	2.0
43	Gary Ugrinovskiy	1607	MI	W47	D14	H---	U---	U---	2.0
44	Mohammad Aziz	1278	MI	L5	W51	F3	U---	W48	2.0
45	Aaron Z Liu	895	MI	D25	L4	L33	W52	L27	1.5
46	Pranav Nalam	895	MI	L26	D33	W50	L25	L42	1.5
47	Riya Desai	823	MI	L43	L35	W41	H---	U---	1.5
48	Ralph Carter	859	MI	L13	L28	B---	L39	L44	1.0
49	Richard Love	981	MI	L29	L36	W53	L35	L41	1.0
50	Nathan Holland	1026	MI	L10	L20	L46	D51	D52	1.0
51	Terrian Sun	794	MI	L11	L44	H---	D50	L37	1.0
52	Kevin Hoyt	1003	MI	L16	L19	H---	L45	D50	1.0
53	John Pimentel	609	MI	L23	L34	L49	W55	U---	1.0
54	Victor Pimentel Walker	693	MI	L24	L42	L40	L41	U---	0.0
55	Brenda Aldrich	651	MI	U---	U---	U---	L53	U---	0.0

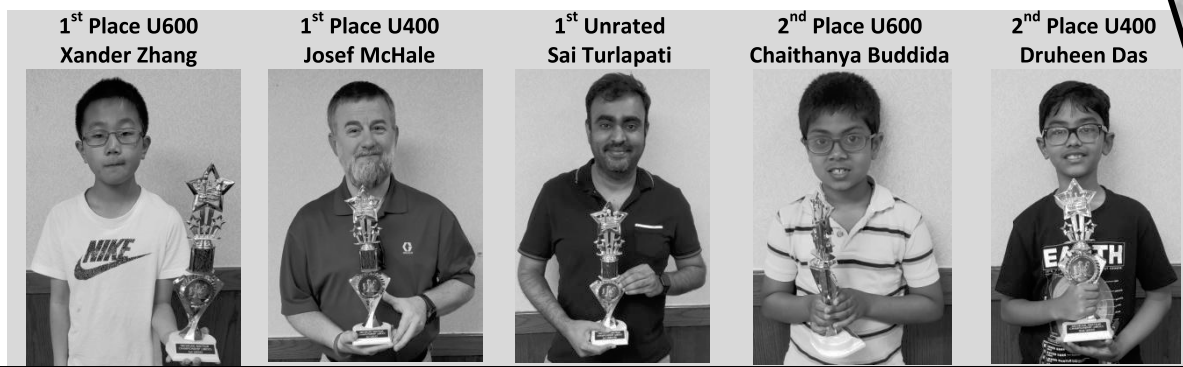
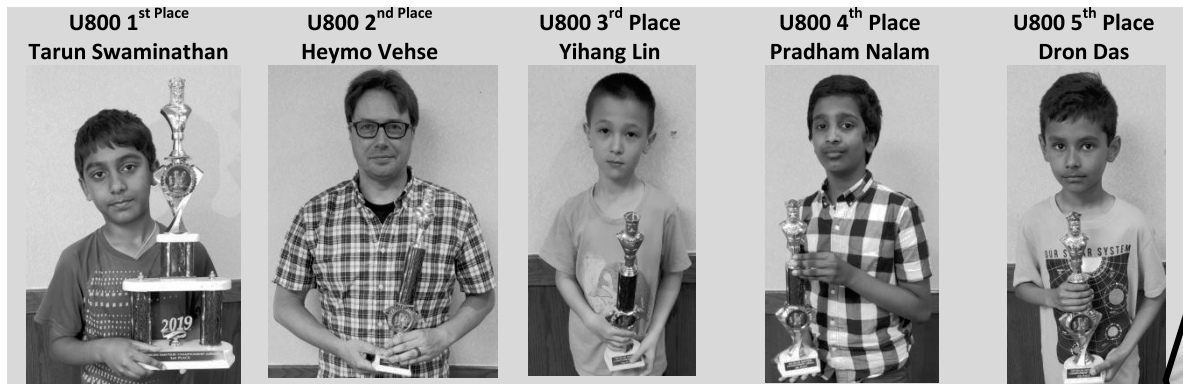
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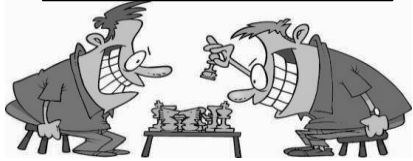
### 2019 Michigan Amateur – Under 800 Section Results

#	Name	Rtng	St	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Tot
1	Tarun Swaminathan	768	MI	W7	W10	W22	D2	W3	4.5
2	Heymo Vehse	674	MI	W26	W33	W9	D1	W13	4.5
3	Yihang Lin	709	MI	W18	W6	W12	W4	L1	4.0
4	Pradham Nalam	697	MI	W25	W31	W5	L3	W10	4.0
5	Dron Das	619	MI	W27	W11	L4	W24	W9	4.0
6	Xander Zhang	503	MI	W35	L3	W16	W21	W11	4.0
7	Chaithanya Budida	425	MI	L1	W36	W35	W12	W20	4.0
8	Sai Turlapati	unr.		H---	U---	W39	W19	W21	3.5
9	Rohith Sudhanthar	435	MI	W38	W15	L2	W22	L5	3.0
10	Kaushik Mamidi	457	MI	W36	L1	W33	W15	L4	3.0
11	Patrick Flahie	unr.	MI	W14	L5	W31	W23	L6	3.0
12	Kirit Bhaumik	606	MI	W17	W21	L3	L7	W29	3.0
13	Jadie Woods	738	MI	L31	W34	W32	W14	L2	3.0
14	Yaroslav Ovchinnikov	464	MI	L11	W27	W17	L13	W26	3.0
15	Mariah Crawford	705	MI	W28	L9	W25	L10	W24	3.0
16	Josef McHale	144	MI	B---	L19	L6	W25	W34	3.0
17	Druheen Das	187	MI	L12	B---	L14	W28	W23	3.0
18	Shreyas Turlapati	380	MI	L3	L35	W36	W27	W22	3.0
19	Thomas Valenzuela	707	MI	D32	W16	L21	L8	W31	2.5
20	Caleb Taylor	649	MI	H---	U---	W34	W32	L7	2.5

#	Name	Rtng	St	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Tot
21	Ryan Shankar	738	MI	W24	L12	W19	L6	L8	2.0
22	Brenda Aldrich	651	MI	W29	W37	L1	L9	L18	2.0
23	Kunjal Dangeti	516	MI	L33	W26	W28	L11	L17	2.0
24	Karthik Dangeti	424	MI	L21	W29	W37	L5	L15	2.0
25	Elise Valenzuela	314	MI	L4	W30	L15	L16	W36	2.0
26	Tanish Seelam	271	MI	L2	L23	W38	W37	L14	2.0
27	Saketh Dondapati	219	MI	L5	L14	B---	L18	W35	2.0
28	Dante Barrett	317	MI	L15	W38	L23	L17	W37	2.0
29	Samvith Rachamalla	245	MI	L22	L24	W30	W35	L12	2.0
30	Mario Stromile	461	MI	L37	L25	L29	B---	W32	2.0
31	Sathvik Rachamalla	395	MI	W13	L4	L11	D33	L19	1.5
32	Daniel Leung	329	MI	D19	W39	L13	L20	L30	1.5
33	Nayan Dasari	unr.	MI	W23	L2	L10	D31	U---	1.5
34	Neha Juluri	unr.		H---	L13	L20	W38	L16	1.5
35	Alan Zhang	unr.	MI	L6	W18	L7	L29	L27	1.0
36	Vadim Afanasyev	unr.	MI	L10	L7	L18	W39	L25	1.0
37	Kellen Flahie	unr.	MI	W30	L22	L24	L26	L28	1.0
38	Prajwal Teli	unr.	MI	L9	L28	L26	L34	W39	1.0
39	Nikhil Juluri	unr.		H---	L32	L8	L36	L38	0.5

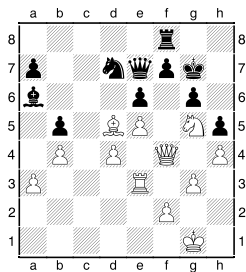


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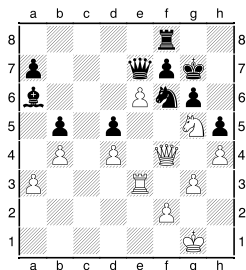


**Bradfield, Kenneth (1395) -  
Rutkofske, Lonnie (1804) [A08] KI-Attack**  
Lansing, MI Lansing, MI (1), 08.06.2019 [L.  
Rutkofske]

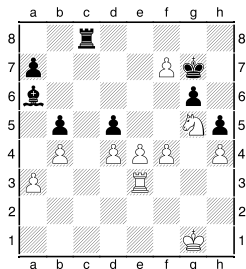
1.e4 e6 2.d3 b6 3.g3 Bb7 4.Bg2 d5 5.Nd2  
Nd7 6.Ng3 c5 7.0-0 Ne7 8.Re1 g6 9.c3  
Bg7 10.e5 0-0 11.d4 Nc6 12.Nf1 cxd4  
13.cxd4 Rc8 14.Bf4 Ba6 15.a3 b5 16.h4  
Qb6 17.b4 Ne7 18.Rc1 h5 19.Qd2 Nf5  
20.Ne3 Nxe3 21.Rxc8 Rxc8 22.Qxe3 Qd8  
23.Bh6 Nb6 24.Qf4 Nd7 25.Bxg7 Kxg7  
26.Ng5 Qe7 27.Re3! Rf8 28.Bxd5!



28...exd5 29.e6 Nf6



30.exf7 [30.Qe5 0.55/5 Bb7 0.68/8]  
30...Ne4 31.f3 [31...Ng5! 32. Re7, Nh3+!]  
31...Qf6 32.fxe4 Qxf4 33.gxf4 Rc8



34.f8Q?? [Simply 34.ed wins immediately  
because it threatens Re8 followed by  
queening the f pawn!] 34...Kxf8 35.Ne6+  
Kf7 36.Nc5 Rc6 37.Nxa6 Rxa6 38.e5 Ke6  
39.Kg2 Kf5 40.e6 Rxe6 41.Re5+ Kf6  
42.Rxd5 Ra6 43.Rxb5 Rxa3 44.Ra5 Rb3  
45.Rxa7 Rxb4 46.d5 Rxf4 47.Ra6+ Ke7  
48.Rxg6 Rxh4 ½-½

**Constanza, Samuel (1619) - Carter, Ralph  
(887) [D21] Q-Gambit Accepted**  
2019 MI Amateur - U2000  
Lansing, MI (1), 08.06.2019

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.Nf3 Bg4 4.Ne5 Bf5  
5.e3 Bxb1 6.Rxb1 Nd7 7.Qa4 c6 8.Nxd7  
Qxd7 9.Qxc4 Nf6 10.Bd3 Qd5 11.0-0  
Qxc4 12.Bxc4 e6 13.b4 b5 14.Be2 Bd6  
15.Bf3 Kd7 16.Rb2 Rhc8 17.e4 a5 18.e5  
Nd5 19.exd6 Nxb4 20.a3 Nd3 21.Rc2 Nxc1  
22.Rfxc1 Kxd6 23.Rxc6+ Rxc6 24.Rxc6+  
Kd7 25.Rc5 Rc8 26.Rxc8 Kxc8 27.Be2 b4  
28.axb4 axb4 29.Bc4 Kd7 30.f4 f6 31.Kf2  
h6 32.Ke3 Kd6 33.Ke4 f5+ 34.Kd3 g5 35.g3  
gxf4 36.gxf4 h5 37.h4 e5 38.dxe5+ Kc5  
39.Bb3 Kc6 40.Kc4 1-0

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

2019 MI Amateur - U2000  
Lansing, MI (1), 08.06.2019  
1.e4 e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.g3 g5 4.d3 Nc6  
5.Bxg5 Bc5 6.Nd5 Be7 7.Nxe7 Qxe7 8.c3  
d6 9.Qf3 Bg4 10.Qxf6 Qxf6 11.Bxf6 Rg8  
12.Be2 Be6 13.Nf3 Bg4 14.d4 Rg6 15.dxe5  
dxe5 16.Nxe5 Nxe5 17.Bxe5 Bxe2 18.Kxe2  
0-0-0 19.Rad1 Re8 20.Bf4 Rxe4+ 21.Kf3  
Ra4 22.a3 Raa6 23.Rd2 Rad6 24.Bxd6  
cxd6 25.Re1 Rf6+ 26.Kg2 Kc7 27.Re7+ Kc6  
28.f4 h5 29.Rd4 Rf5 30.Rc4+ Kb5 31.Rb4+  
Kc6 32.Rbxb7 f6 33.c4 a6 34.Rec7#  
1-0

**Holden, Anthony (1636) - Haskara, Beril  
(1012) [D06] Q-Gambit Declined**

2019 MI Amateur - U2000  
Lansing, MI (1), 08.06.2019  
1.d4 d5 2.e3 Bf5 3.c4 e6 4.Nc3 c6 5.cxd5  
cxd5 6.Bb5+ Nc6 7.Nf3 Nf6 8.Ne5 Rc8  
9.Qa4 Qb6 10.f3 a6 11.Bxc6+ bxc6 12.0-0  
Bd6 13.a3 0-0 14.g4 Bg6 15.g5 Bxe5  
16.dxe5 Nd7 17.f4 Nc5 18.Qd1 Nb3  
19.Ra2 Bf5 20.Bd2 d4 21.exd4 Qxd4+  
22.Rf2 Rb8 23.Qe2 Bd3 24.Qe3 Bc4  
25.Qxd4 Nxd4 26.Be3 Bxa2 27.Nxa2 Nf5  
28.Bc5 Rfd8 29.Rc2 Nd4 30.Rf2 Nb3  
31.Bd6 Bb5 32.Nb4 Na5 33.Nxa6 Nc4  
34.Bb4 Ne3 35.h3 Rd1+ 36.Kh2 Rdd5  
37.Nc7 f6 38.exf6 gxf6 39.Re2 Nc4  
40.gxf6 Rf5 41.Rg2+ Kf7 42.Nxb5 cxb5  
43.Bc3 Rxf4 44.Rg7+ Ke8 45.Re7+ Kf8  
46.Rxe6 Kf7 47.Re7+ Kf8 48.Rxh7 Nd6  
49.Bb4 Rd4 50.Rd7 Rf4 51.Bxd6+ Ke8

52.Re7+ Kf8 53.Bxf4 Kg8 54.Bh6 Kh8  
55.Rg7 b4 56.f7 1-0

**Schmidt, Chris (1804) - Yassine, Waleed  
(1412) [B40] Sicilian Defense**

2019 MI Amateur - U2000  
Lansing, MI (1), 08.06.2019  
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6  
5.Nc3 Bb4 6.f3 d5 7.Bb5+ Bd7 8.Bxd7+  
Nbx7 9.Qd3 0-0 10.Bd2 Bxc3 11.Bxc3  
dxe4 12.fxe4 Nc5 13.Qe3 Ncxe4 14.0-0-0  
Nxc3 15.Qxc3 Rc8 16.Qg3 Qa5 17.Kb1  
Qb6 18.Rd3 Qc5 19.c3 e5 20.Nf5 Ne8  
21.Qg4 Kh8 22.Rh3 Rc7 23.Qh4 Nf6  
24.Nxg7 Qd6 25.Rf1 Kxg7 26.Qh6+ Kh8  
27.a3 Rg8 28.Qxf6+ Qxf6 29.Rxf6 Rxg2  
30.Rfh6 f5 31.Re6 e4 32.Rh5 Rf7 33.Rh4  
Re2 34.Rf4 e3 35.h4 Rf2 36.Rd4 e2 37.Ka2  
Rf8 38.Rd7 Rh2 39.Rh6 Kg8 40.Rhx7 Rg2  
41.Rhe7 f4 42.Rd2 f3 43.h5 e1Q 44.Rxg2+  
fxg2 45.Rxe1 Rf1 46.Re6 Ra1+ 47.Kb3 Kf7  
48.Rg6 g1Q 49.Rxg1 Rxg1 0-1

**Zagade, Samraat (1502) - LaForge, Thomas  
(1889) [D02] QP Game**

2019 MI Amateur - U2000  
Lansing, MI (1), 08.06.2019  
1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 d5 3.Bf4 e6 4.e3 Nbd7  
5.Nbd2 c5 6.c3 Be7 7.h3 0-0 8.Be2 b6  
9.0-0 Bb7 10.a4 Ne4 11.Nxe4 dxe4  
12.Nd2 Nf6 13.Qc2 Rc8 14.dxc5 Rxc5  
15.Rfd1 Qc8 16.Nb3 Rd5 17.Rd4 Rfd8  
18.Rad1 Rxd4 19.Rxd4 Rxd4 20.exd4 Nd5  
21.Be5 f6 22.Bg3 f5 23.Be5 Ba6 24.Qd1  
Bc4 25.Nd2 Bxe2 26.Qxe2 a6 27.Nc4 Qc6  
28.a5 Qb5 29.Kf1 bxa5 30.g3 a4 31.Ne3  
a3 32.bxa3 Qxe2+ 33.Kxe2 Nxc3+ 34.Kd2  
Nb1+ 35.Kc2 Nxa3+ 36.Kb3 Kf7 37.d5 Nb5  
38.dxe6+ Kxe6 39.Bxg7 Bc5 40.Bh6 Bxe3  
41.Bxe3 Kd5 42.Kb4 Kc6 43.Ka5 Kb7  
44.Kb4 Kc6 1-0

**Bailey, Gregory (1900) - Rankin, Henry  
(1561) [A02] Bird's Opening**

2019 MI Amateur - U2000  
Lansing, MI (1), 08.06.2019  
1.f4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.b3 Bg7 4.Bb2 0-0 5.e3  
d6 6.Be2 c5 7.c4 Nbd7 8.0-0 b6 9.d4 cxd4  
10.Nxd4 Bb7 11.Nc3 Nc5 12.Bf3 Bxf3  
13.Qxf3 Rc8 14.Rad1 Qd7 15.f5 e5  
16.fxe6 fxe6 17.Qh3 Nfe4 18.Nxe4 Rxf1+  
19.Rxf1 Nxe4 20.Ba3 Bxd4 21.exd4 Re8  
22.d5 Qg7 23.Qd3 Nc5 24.Bxc5 bxc5  
25.dxe6 Rxe6 26.Qd5 Qd4+ 27.Qxd4 cxd4  
28.Kf2 a5 29.Re1 Rf6+ 30.Ke2 Kf7 31.Rf1  
d3+ 32.Ke1 d2+ 33.Ke2 Rxf1 0-1

**Hodge, Kendrick (999) - Burwell, Raymond  
(1600) [A22] English Opening**

2019 MI Amateur - U2000  
Lansing, MI (1), 08.06.2019  
1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 e5 3.d3 Bb4 4.a3 Be7 5.g3  
c6 6.d4 e4 7.Bg2 d5 8.b3 0-0 9.e3 Bg4

10.Nge2 Qd7 11.0-0 Bh3 12.Bb2 Bxg2 13.Kxg2 Qf5 14.h3 Nbd7 15.Nf4 Bd6 16.Nce2 h6 17.c5 Bc7 18.Nc3 Bxf4 19.exf4 Nh7 20.Ne2 h5 21.a4 g5 22.f3 Ndf6 23.g4 exf3+ 24.Rxf3 hxg4 25.hxg4 Nxg4 26.Qd3 Qxd3 27.Rxd3 Rad8 28.Kf3 Nh2+ 29.Kf2 Ng4+ 30.Kf3 f5 31.Rh1 gxf4 32.Nxf4 Ng5+ 33.Kg3 Ne4+ 34.Kh4 Nef2 35.Kg5 Nxd3 36.Ng6 Nxb2 37.Rh8+ Kg7 38.Rxf8 Rxf8 39.Nxf8 Kxf8 40.Kxf5 Nf2 41.Ke6 Ke8 42.a5 a6 43.Kd6 Kd8 44.b4 Nfd3 45.b5 Nb4 46.bxa6 bxa6 0-1

**Korenman,Mikail (1958) - Scioly,Tony (1531) [B22] Sicilian Defense**

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

1.e4 c5 2.c3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.cxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e6 6.Bd3 Nc6 7.Nge2 Bd7 8.0-0 Nb4 9.Bb1 Be7 10.a3 Na6 11.Qd3 e5 12.dxe5 dxe5 13.Qg3 Qc7 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.exd5 f5 16.Qxg7 Rf8 17.Bh6 Bb5 18.Re1 Qd6 19.Nc3 Rf7 20.Nxb5 Qb6 21.Qg8+ Rf8 22.Bxf8 0-0-0 23.Qe6+ Qxe6 24.dxe6 Bxf8 25.Bxf5b1-0

**Hoyt,Kevin (982) - Yuan,Kevin (1667) [D04] Colle System**

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

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.e3 d5 4.Bd3 Bg7 5.Nc3 0-0 6.0-0 Nc6 7.a3 a6 8.Re1 Re8 9.Rb1 e5 10.e4 dxe4 11.Nxe4 Nxe4 12.Rxe4 Nxd4 13.c3 Nxf3+ 14.Qxf3 Bf5 15.Re3 e4 16.Bxe4 Bxe4 17.Qe2 Bxb1 18.h3 Rxe3 19.Bxe3 Qd3 20.Qf3 Be5 21.Qxb7 Qd1# 0-1

**Whitworth,John (1762) - Burdzinski,Jan (1338) [B12] Caro-Kann: Advance Variation**

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

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Bg4 6.Be2 e6 7.0-0 cxd4 8.cxd4 Bxf3 9.Bxf3 Qb6 10.Be3 Nge7 11.Qd2 Nf5 12.Rd1 Bb4 13.Nc3 0-0 14.a3 Nxe3 15.Qxe3 Be7 16.b4 Qd8 17.Be2 f6 18.exf6 Rxf6 19.Bg4 Qd6 20.Re1 Qf4 21.Bxe6+ Kh8 22.Qxf4 Rxf4 23.Bxd5 Bf6 24.Bxc6 bxc6 25.Re4 Rxe4 26.Nxe4 Bxd4 27.Rd1 Bb2 28.Rd3 Re8 29.f3 h6 30.Kf2 a5 31.bxa5 Ra8 32.Nd2 Rxa5 33.Nc4 Rb5 34.g4 c5 35.Kg3 Bd4 36.f4 Rb1 37.h3 Rc1 38.Ne5 Rc3 39.Rxc3 Bxc3 40.Kf3 Kg8 41.Ke4 Kf8 42.Nd7+ Ke7 43.Nxc5 Bb2 44.a4 Ba3 45.Kd5 Bc1 46.f5 Ba3 47.a5 Bxc5 48.Kxc5 Kd7 49.Kd5 Ke7 1-0

**Wang,Ryan (1686) - Hurley,John (1246) [B19] Classical Caro-Kann**

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

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Bf5 5.Ng3 Bg6 6.h4 h6 7.Nf3 Nd7 8.h5 Bh7 9.Bd3 Bxd3 10.Qxd3 Ngf6 11.Bd2 e6 12.0-0-0 Be7 13.Kb1 Qc7 14.Ne4 a5 15.Nxf6+ Nxf6 16.Ne5 Nd5 17.f4 a4 18.f5 exf5 19.Qxf5 Nf6 20.Rde1 Qc8 21.Qd3 Kf8 22.Qc4 Nd5 23.Rhf1 Bf6 24.Qc5+ Kg8 25.Nc4 Qc7 26.Ba5 Qh2 27.Nd6 Rxa5 28.Re8+ Kh7 29.Rxh8+ Kxh8 30.Nxf7+ Kg8 31.Nxh6+ gxh6 32.Qxa5 Qxg2 33.Qe1 Qh3 34.Qe8+ Kh7 35.Rg1 Bg5 36.Qf7+ Kh8 37.Rf1 Nf4 38.Re1 Ne2 39.Qe8+ Kg7 40.Qxe2 Qf5 41.Qe5+ Qxe5 42.dxe5 Kf7 43.e6+ Ke7 44.c4 Bf4 45.Kc2 Bd6 46.Kd3 b5 47.cxb5 cxb5 48.Kd4 a3 49.b3 Kf6 50.Kd5 Be7 51.Kc6 b4 52.Kd7 Bc5 53.e7 1-0

**Yassine,Waleed (1412) - Holden,Anthony (1636) [B20] Sicilian Defense**

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

1.e4 c5 2.Bc4 Nc6 3.Qh5 e6 4.f4 g6 5.Qd1 f5 6.d3 Nh6 7.Nf3 Na5 8.Nbd2 Bg7 9.0-0 a6 10.a4 Qc7 11.Ng5 Bd4+ 12.Kh1 Ng4 13.Qe2 Ne3 14.exf5 d5 15.Bxd5 Nxd5 16.Nxe6 Qe7 17.Nf3 Bxe6 18.Nxd4 cxd4 19.Qe5 Qf6 20.Re1 Qxe5 21.Rxe5 gxf5 22.Rxe6+ Kd7 23.Re5 Kc6 24.b4 Rae8 25.Bd2 Rxe5 26.fxe5 Ne3 27.Bxe3 dxe3 28.bxa5 Kd5 29.g3 Re8 30.c3 Rxe5 31.Kg2 Kd6 32.Kf3 e2 33.Re1 Rxa5 34.Rxe2 Rxa4 35.c4 b5 36.cxb5 axb5 37.Rc2 Ra3 38.Ke3 Kd5 39.Kd2 Kd4 40.Rc7 Rxd3+ 41.Kc2 Rf3 42.Rxh7 Kc4 43.Rh4+ Kd5 44.Kd2 Ra3 45.Kc2 Rf3 46.Kd2 Ke5 47.Rb4 Rf2+ 48.Ke3 Rxh2 49.Rxb5+ Kf6 50.Kf3 Ra2+ 51.Rb6+ Kg5 52.Rb8 Ra3+ 53.Kg2 Ra2+ 54.Kf3 Ra1 55.Rb4 Re1 56.Ra4 Rb1 57.Rc4 Rb3+ 58.Kf2 Rd3 59.Rb4 Rd8 60.Kf3 ½-½

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

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

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

**Jarosz,Stanley (1947) - Costanzo,Samuel (1612) [D02] QP Game**

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

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**Rankin,Henry (1514) - Anand,Rajesh (1664) [A41] QP Game**

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

1.d4 g6 2.c4 Bg7 3.Nc3 d6 4.Nf3 Bg4 5.h3 Bxf3 6.exf3 e5 7.d5 Qc8 8.Be2 Nf6 9.0-0 0-0 10.Bg5 h6 11.Be3 Nh7 12.Qb3 b6 13.a4 f5 14.a5 Nd7 15.Rfe1 f4 16.Bd2 Nc5 17.Qc2 g5 18.b4 Nd7 19.Bd3 Nhf6 20.Bf5 Kh8 21.Be6 Qe8 22.a6 c6 23.Qb3 c5 24.Nb5 Qe7 25.Ra2 Rfd8 26.Qd3 cxb4 27.Bxb4 Nc5 28.Bxc5 dxc5 29.Qf5 Ne8 30.Qf7 Qxf7 31.Bxf7 Nd6 32.Nxd6 Rxd6 33.Rb1 Bf6 34.Be6 Kg7 35.Kf1 Bd8 36.Ke2 Bc7 37.Kd3 Rad8 38.Ke4 h5 39.Rab2 Kf6 40.Rc2 Rxe6! [Winning the B because if 41.de6??? Rd4#] 0-1

**Scioly,Tony (1531) - Nalam,Pranav (964) [B25] Closed Sicilian**

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

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 d6 4.Bg2 Nf6 5.d3 g6 6.Nge2 Bg7 7.0-0 0-0 8.f4 Qb6 9.Kh1 c4 10.d4 e5 11.d5 Ng4 12.Qe1 Ne7 13.h3 Ne3 14.Bxe3 Qxe3 15.Rf3 Qb6 16.Rb1 f5 17.Qf1 fxe4 18.Nxe4 Nxd5 19.N2c3 Be6 20.Ng5 Nc7 21.Nxe6 Nxe6 22.Qxc4 Rae8 23.Nb5 Kh8 24.Rd3 exf4 25.Nxd6 Re7 26.Nc8 Qc7 27.Qxc7 Rxc7 28.Nxa7 Rxc2 29.Rdg6 f3 30.Bxf3 Rxf3 31.Rxe6 h6 32.Rxg6 Rff2 33.Rd6 Rh2+ 34.Kg1 Rxh3 35.Nb5 Rxg3+ 36.Kf1 Be5 37.Rd8+ Kg7 38.Nd4 Bxd4 39.Rxd4 Rf3+ 40.Ke1 Rh2 41.Rbd1 ½-½

**Sun,Terrian (794) - Aziz,Mohammad (1371) [B51] Sicilian Defense: Moscow Var.**

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

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.Bb5 e5 4.Nf3 d6 5.d3 h6 6.Be3 Nf6 7.Qd2 Bd7 8.Ne2 Rc8 9.c4 a6 10.Ba4 Nd4 11.Bxd7+ Qxd7 12.Nfxd4 cxd4 13.Bxh6 Rxh6 14.f4 Ng4 15.h3 Qe7 16.g3 Ne3 17.b4 Qc7 18.Rc1 b6 19.g4 Nxg4 20.Ng3 Ne3 21.Nf5 Nxf5 22.exf5 Rf6 23.fxe5 dxe5 24.Qg5 Bxb4+ 25.Kd1 Kf8 26.Rb1 Bc3 27.h4 Qd7 28.Rf1 Qa4+ 29.Ke2 Qxa2+ 30.Kf3 Qc2 31.Rbd1 Rc5 32.Rf2 Qxd1+ 33.Kg3 Qxd3+ 34.Kg2 Be1 35.Ra2 Rxf5 36.Qc1 Qg3+ 0-1

**Booher,Tyler (1125) - Hodge,Kendrick (999) [B29] Sicilian Defense: Nimzovich Var.**

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

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.d4 d5 5.exd5 Nxd5 6.dxc5 Nxc3 7.Qxd8+ Kxd8 8.bxc3 Bf5 9.Bd3 e6 10.Bxf5 exf5 11.Be3 Be7 12.Rd1+ Ke8 13.0-0 Rd8 14.Bd4 f6 15.Rfe1 Kf7 16.Nh4 g6 17.Nf3 Rhe8

18.Be3 Rxd1 19.Rxd1 Rd8 20.Rxd8 Nxd8  
21.Nd2 Ke6 22.c4 Kd7 23.Nb3 Nc6 24.c3  
a6 25.Bd4 f4 26.Nd2 Ne5 27.Bxe5 fxe5  
28.Ne4 Kc6 29.Kf1 Bxc5 30.f3 Be7 31.g3  
b5 32.cxb5+ Kxb5 33.Ke2 Kc4 34.Kd2 a5  
35.gxf4 exf4 36.Kc2 h6 37.Nd2+ Kb5  
38.Kd3 g5 39.h3 Ka4 40.Nb3 Bd8 41.Nc1  
Ka3 42.Kc2 Bb6 43.Kb1 h5 44.Nd3 Bd8  
45.Ne5 Bf6 46.Nc4+ Ka4 47.Kb2 h4  
48.Nd2 Be7 49.Nb1 g4 50.fxg4 f3 51.Nd2  
f2 52.Nf1 Kb5 53.Kc2 Kc4 54.Ne3+ Kc5  
55.Kd3 a4 56.Ke2 Bf6 57.c4 f1Q+ 58.Kxf1  
Bd4 59.Ke2 Bc3 60.Nf5 Kb4 1-0

Burdzinski,Jan (1338) - Desai,Riya (823)

[B00] Queen's Fianchetto Defense

2019 MI Amateur - U2000

Lansing, MI (2), 08.06.2019

1.e4 b6 2.d4 Bb7 3.Bd3 d5 4.e5 e6 5.Nf3  
Be7 6.0-0 Nh6 7.Bxh6 gxh6 8.c3 0-0  
9.Qc2 f5 10.exf6 Rxf6 11.Bxh7+ Kh8  
12.Nh4 Rf7 13.Bg6 Rg7 14.Nf3 Bd6  
15.Bd3 c5 16.Re1 Qf6 17.Qe2 Bc8  
18.Nbd2 a6 19.Ne5 Nd7 20.Nxd7 Bxd7  
21.Nf3 b5 22.Ne5 Be8 23.Qf3 Qxf3  
24.Nxf3 c4 25.Bc2 Bh5 26.Ne5 b4 27.Re3  
bxc3 28.bxc3 Rb8 29.Rh3 Be2 30.Rxh6+  
Kg8 31.Rxe6 Ba3 32.Bg6 Bb2 33.Re1 Bd3  
34.Nxd3 cxd3 35.Re8+ Rxe8 36.Rxe8# 0-1

Woods,Charisse (1755) - Sundeen,David

(1600) [C47] Scotch Game: 4 Knights Var.

2019 MI Amateur - U2000

Lansing, MI (2), 08.06.2019

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nc3 Nc6 4.d4 exd4  
5.Nxd4 Nxd4 6.Qxd4 d6 7.Bc4 Be6 8.0-0  
Be7 9.Nd5 0-0 10.Re1 Nxd5 11.exd5 Bf6  
12.Qe4 Bd7 13.Bd3 g6 14.Qf3 Bg7 15.c3  
Re8 16.Be3 a6 17.Qg3 Be5 18.f4 Bf6  
19.Rf1 Kh8 20.f5 Re5 21.fxg6 fxg6 22.Bd4  
Rf5 23.Bxf5 Bxd4+ 24.cxd4 Bxf5 25.Rae1  
Qd7 26.Qh4 Re8 27.Rxe8+ Qxe8 28.Re1  
Qf7 29.Re7 1-0

LaForge,Thomas (1889) - Hoyt,Kevin

(982) [C02] French Defense: Advance Var.

2019 MI Amateur - U2000

Lansing, MI (2), 17.06.2019

1.e4 Nc6 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 d5 4.e5 b6 5.c3 g6  
6.Bb5 Nge7 7.Qa4 Bb7 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bxe7  
Bxe7 10.Bxc6+ Bxc6 11.Qxc6+ Kf8  
12.Nbd2 Kg7 13.0-0 a6 14.b4 b5 15.a4  
Qc8 16.Nb3 Rb8 17.a5 Qd8 18.Qxa6 Rf8  
19.Ne1 Qd7 20.Nd3 Ra8 21.Nbc5 Rxa6  
22.Nxd7 Rd8 23.N7c5 Ra7 24.f4 c6 25.g4  
g5 26.f5 Bxc5 27.Nxc5 Re8 28.fxe6 fxe6  
29.Rf6 Rae7 30.Raf1 Kg8 31.Rg6+ Kh7  
32.Rff6 Kh8 33.Rxh6+ Rh7 34.Nxe6 Rxh6  
35.Rxh6+ Kg8 36.Nxg5 Kg7 37.Rxc6 Rh8 1-0

Rutkofske. Lonnie (1804) – Randon,

Daniel (1160) [A13] English Opening

2019 MI Amateur - U2000

Lansing, MI (2), 08.06.2019

1.c4 e6 2.g3 d5 3.Bg2 Nf6 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.b3  
Be7 6.0-0 0-0 7.Bb2 b6 8.d4 Bb7 9.Re1  
Nb8 10.Qc2 c5 11.Nbd2 Nbd7 12.e4 dxe4  
13.Ng5 cxd4 14.Ndxe4 e5 15.Nxf6+ Nxf6  
16.Bxb7 Rb8 17.Bg2 h6 18.Ne4 Nxe4  
19.Qxe4 Qd6 20.Qxe5 Qxe5 21.Rxe5 Bf6  
22.Rd5 Rbd8 23.Rd1 Rfe8 24.Bxd4 Bxd4  
25.R1xd4 Rxd5 26.Bxd5 Re2 27.a4 Rb2  
28.Rd3 Kf8 29.Re3 g5 30.h3 Kg7 31.Re7  
Rxb3 32.Rxf7+ Kg6 33.Rxa7 Rb4 34.g4 h5  
35.Ra6 hxg4 36.hxg4 Kf6 37.a5 Ke7  
38.Rxb6 Rxb6 39.axb6 Kd7 40.f4 gxf4  
41.g5 f3 42.g6 f2+ 43.Kxf2 Ke7 44.b7 Kf6  
45.Bf7 Kg7 46.b8Q Kf6 47.Qf4+ Ke7  
48.Bd5 Kd7 49.Qe5 Kd8 50.Qg7 Kc8  
51.Qe7 Kb8 52.Qb7# 1-0

Yuan,Daniel (1701) - Burdzinski,Jan  
(1338) [B12] Caro-Kann Advance Var.

2019 MI Amateur - U2000  
Lansing, MI (3), 08.06.2019

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 c4 5.Nf3 Bf5  
6.Be2 e6 7.0-0 Ne7 8.Bg5 Qb6 9.Qd2 h6  
10.Bh4 Nec6 11.Re1 Be7 12.Bxe7 Nxe7  
13.Na3 0-0 14.Rac1 Nbc6 15.Nh4 Bh7  
16.f4 Nf5 17.Nxf5 Bxf5 18.g4 Be4 19.Bxc4  
f5 20.Be2 Qd8 21.Qe3 a6 22.Qg3 Ne7  
23.Nc2 Ng6 24.Ne3 Nh4 25.gxf5 Nxf5  
26.Nxf5 Bxf5 27.Bg4 Qd7 28.Re2 Qf7  
29.Rg2 Bg6 30.Bh3 Bf5 31.Bxf5 [Black  
Resigns] 1-0

Muir,Joshua (1755) - Woods,Charisse

(1603) [B23] Sicilian Defense

2019 MI Amateur - U2000

Lansing, MI (3), 08.06.2019

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

Constanzo,Samuel (1619) - Booher,Tyler

(1125) [E94] King's Indian Defense:  
Classical Var.

2019 MI Amateur - U2000

Lansing, MI (3), 08.06.2019

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Nf3  
0-0 6.Be2 Nbd7 7.0-0 e5 8.d5 c6 9.Ne1 c5  
10.f3 a6 11.Be3 Nh5 12.Nc2 f5 13.b4 b6  
14.bxc5 bxc5 15.Rb1 Rb8 16.Rxb8 Nxb8  
17.Qb1 Bd7 18.Qb3 f4 19.Bf2 Qg5 20.Rb1  
Bh3 21.Ne1 Bxg2 22.Nxg2 Ng3 23.Qb7  
Nxe2+ 24.Nxe2 Qd8 25.Be1 Nd7 26.Qxa6  
Nf6 27.Nc3 Rf7 28.Rb7 Rxb7 29.Qxb7 g5  
30.Nb5 Bf8 31.Qc7 Be7 32.Qxd8+ Bxd8  
33.Nxd6 Be7 34.Nb7 Nd7 35.Bf2 h5

36.Ne1 Kf7 37.Nd3 Nb6 38.Nb2 Nd7 39.a4  
g4 40.Kg2 Kg6 41.a5 Kg5 42.Nd3 g3  
43.hxg3 h4 44.gxh4+ Kh5 45.Nbxc5 Nb8  
46.Nxe5 Bxc5 47.Bxc5 Na6 48.Be7 Nc7  
49.d6 Ne6 50.d7 Kh6 51.d8Q 1-0

Liu,Aaron Z (963) - Scioly,Tony (1531)

[B50] Sicilian Defense

2019 MI Amateur - U2000

Lansing, MI (3), 08.06.2019

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.c3 Nf6 4.d3 Nc6 5.Bg5  
e6 6.d4 cxd4 7.cxd4 Be7 8.Nc3 Qa5 9.Bxf6  
gxf6 10.Bb5 a6 11.Bc4 Rg8 12.0-0 e5  
13.Qd2 Bh3 14.Nh4 Nxd4 15.f3 f5 16.Nxf5  
Rxxg2+ 17.Qxxg2 Bxxg2 18.Kxxg2 Nxxf5 19.exf5  
Bh4 20.Ne4 d5 21.Nd6+ Kd7 22.Nxb7 Qb6  
23.Bxd5 Rg8+ 24.Kh3 Qh6 0-1

Desai,Diya (823) - Hodge,Kendrick (999)

[B33] Sicilian Pelikan

2019 MI Amateur - U2000 Lansing, MI

(3), 08.06.2019

1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.Qxd4 Nc6 4.Qd1 e5  
5.Nf3 Nf6 6.Nc3 Bb4 7.Bd3 0-0 8.0-0  
Bxc3 9.bxc3 d6 10.Rb1 Qc7 11.Re1 Bg4  
12.h3 Be6 13.Ba3 Bxa2 14.Rb2 Be6 15.Bf1  
Rfd8 16.Nh4 b6 17.Qd3 Na5 18.Qg3 Nc4  
19.Rb3 Nxa3 20.Rxa3 Qc6 21.Nf5 Bxf5  
22.exf5 Qd7 23.Bd3 Qe7 24.Qf3 d5  
25.Bb5 e4 26.Qf4 Qxa3 27.Qe5 Qd6  
28.Qd4 Rac8 29.Ba6 Rc7 30.g4 Qc5  
31.Qe5 Re8 32.Qg3 Qxc3 33.Qxc3 Rxc3  
34.Bb5 Rd8 35.g5 Nh5 36.Ra1 a5 37.Kg2  
Rxc2 38.Ra3 d4 39.Rb3 e3 40.Kf1 exf2  
41.Bd3 Rc6 42.Rb2 Nf4 43.Be4 d3 44.Bxc6  
Rb8 45.Kxf2 Nxxh3+ 1-0

Das,Monoj - Rankin,Henry (1514) [C11]

French Defense; Advance Var.

2019 MI Amateur - U2000 Lansing, MI  
(3), 08.06.2019

1.e4 e6 2.Nc3 d5 3.d4 Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5.Bf4  
a6 6.Nce2 c5 7.c3 Nc6 8.Nf3 Qb6 9.Qc2  
cxd4 10.cxd4 Qa5+ 11.Nc3 b5 12.Bd2 Qb6  
13.Ne2 Bb7 14.a3 Rc8 15.Qd3 Be7 16.g3  
0-0 17.Bg2 f6 18.Nf4 fxe5 19.Nxd5 exd5  
20.Nxe5 Ncxe5 21.Qb3 Nc4 22.Bc3 Qe6+  
23.Kd1 Rxf2 24.Re1 Qg4+ [White Resigns]  
0-1

Anand,Rajesh (1664) - Jarosz,Stanley

(1647) [B40] Sicilian Defense

2019 MI Amateur - U2000 Lansing,

MI (3), 08.06.2019

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.c3 Nf6 4.d3 Nc6 5.Bg5  
Be7 6.Be2 0-0 7.0-0 d5 8.Bxf6 Bxf6  
9.exd5 exd5 10.d4 cxd4 11.Nxd4 Nxd4  
12.cxd4 Qb6 13.Nc3 Be6 14.Qb3 Qxb3  
15.axb3 Bxd4 16.Rfd1 Bxc3 17.bxc3 a6  
18.Bf3 Rfd8 19.c4 dxc4 20.bxc4 Bxc4  
21.Rxd8+ Rxd8 22.Bxb7 Rb8 23.Be4 g6  
24.f3 Rb2 25.h3 Ba2 26.Kh2 a5 27.Bc6 Kf8  
28.Re1 Be6 29.Re5 Rb6 30.Ba4 Ra6

31.Bb5 Ra7 32.Ba4 Ke7 33.Kg3 Kd6 34.Kf4 f6 35.Re4 g5+ 36.Ke3 h5 37.h4 Bd7 38.Rd4+ Ke7 39.hxg5 fxg5 40.Bxd7 Rxd7 41.Ra4 Ra7 42.Ke4 Kf6 43.g4 h4 44.f4 gxf4 45.Kxf4 Kg6 46.g5 Kh5 47.g6 Kxg6 48.Kg4 [Draw agreed after a few more moves.] ½–½

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

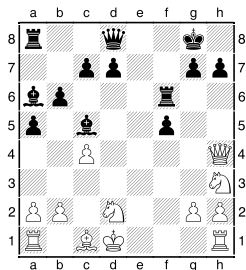
2019 MI Amateur - U2000  
Lansing, MI (4), 09.06.2019

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

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

2019 MI Amateur - U2000  
Lansing, MI (4), 09.06.2019

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



17...d5 18.b4 dxc4 19.bxc5 c3 20.cxb6 cxb6 21.Ng5 h6 22.Ng3 Qd3 23.Qa4 c2+ 24.Qxc2 Qe2# 0–1

**Woods, Charisse (1755) - Korenman, Mikhail (1958) [C01] French Exchange Var.**

2019 MI Amateur - U2000 Lansing, MI (4), 09.06.2019

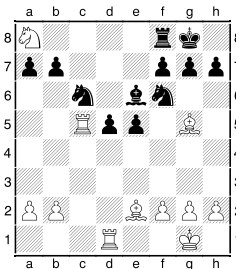
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**Chen, Megan (1756) - Consanzo, Samuel (1619) [B21] Sicilian Defense**

2019 MI Amateur - U2000  
Lansing, MI (4), 09.06.2019

1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.c3 dxc3 4.Nxc3 d6 5.Nf3 Nf6 6.Bc4 e6 7.0–0 Be7 8.Qe2 0–0

9.Rd1 Qc7 10.Nb5 Qc6 11.Nfd4 Qxe4 12.Nc7 Qxe2 13.Bxe2 e5 14.Nb3 d5 15.Bg5 Bd6 16.Nxa8 Be6 17.Rac1 Nc6 18.Nc5 Bxc5 19.Rxc5



[19...Ne4?! looks very interesting!]  
19...Rxa8 20.Bxf6 gxf6 21.Bb5 Nd4 22.Bd3 Nc6 23.f3 f5 24.Kf2 a6 25.Rdc1 e4 26.Bc2 Nb4 27.Bb1 Nc6 28.g4 fxg4 29.fxe4 Rd8 30.exd5 Rxd5 31.Rxd5 Bxd5 32.Rc5 Ne7 33.Kg3 Bf3 34.h3 f5 35.Bxf5 Nxf5+ 36.Rxf5 Kg7 37.hxg4 Be4 38.Re5 Bc6 39.Kf4 Kf6 40.g5+ Kg7 41.a3 Kf7 42.b4 Kg7 43.Re7+ Kg6 44.Ke5 Kxg5 45.Rxh7 Kg6 46.Rc7 Bf3 47.Kd6 Kf6 48.Rc3 Bc6 49.Rxc6 bxc6 50.Kxc6 1–0

**Xie, Yule (1636) - Yassine, Waleed (1414) [B45] Sicilian: 4 Knights**

2019 MI Amateur - U2000 Lansing, MI (4), 09.06.2019

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Bb4 6.Bd3 Nc6 7.Nb3 d5 8.exd5 Nxd5 9.Bd2 Nxc3 10.bxc3 Be7 11.0–0 Bf6 12.Rb1 0–0 13.Qh5 g6 14.Qe2 Bg7 15.Rfd1 Qc7 16.c4 b6 17.c5 bxc5 18.Nxc5 Nd4 19.Qg4 f5 20.Qh3 Qxc5 21.Bb4 Qe5 22.Bxf8 Bxf8 23.c3 Ne2+ 24.Bxe2 Qxe2 25.Rd8 Bb7 26.Rd7 h5 27.Rdx7 Rd8 28.Qf3 Qxa2 29.Qg3 Kh8 30.Qxg6 Rd7 31.Qxh5+ Kg8 32.Qg6+ Kh8 33.Rb8 Qa3 34.Qf6+ Kg8 35.Qxe6+ Rf7 36.R8b7 Be7 37.Re1 Kf8 38.Rb8+ Kg7 39.Qe5+ Bf6 40.Qg3+ Kh6 41.Qg8 [White won a few moves later.] 1–0

**Scioly, Tony (1531) - Schmidt, Chris (1804) [B24] Closed Sicilian**

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1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 d6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7 5.f4 Nc6 6.Nf3 Bg4 7.0–0 Nd4 8.Nd5 Nf6 9.Nxf6+ Bxf6 10.c3 Nxf3+ 11.Bxf3 Bxf3 12.Qxf3 0–0 13.d3 Qb6 14.Kg2 Rad8 15.Rf2 Qc6 16.a4 a6 17.a5 Bg7 18.Be3 f5 19.exf5 Qxf3+ 20.Kxf3 Rxf5 21.Kg2 Rdf8 22.Rb1 c4 23.Bb6 cxd3 24.Rd1 Rd5 25.c4 Rdf5 26.Rxd3 g5 27.fxg5 Rxf2+ 28.Bxf2 Rc8 29.b3 Kf7 30.Kf3 h6 31.gxh6 Bxh6 32.Be3 [Draw Agreed] ½–½

**Hodge, Kendrick (999) - Walker, Victor (693) [A17] English Opening**

2019 MI Amateur - U2000 Lansing, MI (4), 09.06.2019

1.c4 e6 2.Nc3 d5 3.cxd5 exd5 4.d4 Nf6 5.g3 c6 6.Bg2 Bd6 7.e3 0–0 8.Nge2 Be6 9.0–0 Nbd7 10.e4 Nb6 11.e5 c5 12.exd6 Qxd6 13.dxc5 Qxc5 14.Be3 d4 15.Bxd4 Qe7 16.Nf4 Bg4 17.Qc2 Rac8 18.Bh3 Nh5 19.Nxh5 Bxh3 20.Rfe1 Qd7 21.Bxb6 axb6 22.Nf4 g6 23.Nxh3 Qxh3 24.Qe4 Rfd8 25.Rad1 Rf8 26.Qxb7 Rb8 27.Qg2 Qf5 28.Qe4 Qc5 29.Nd5 Qb5 30.Nf6+ Kg7 31.Nd7 Qxb2 32.Nxb8 Rxb8 33.Qe5+ Qxe5 34.Rxe5 Rc8 35.Rb5 Rc6 36.Rdb1 Rc2 37.R1b2 Rc6 38.Rxb6 Rc5 39.a4 Re5 40.Kf1 Re8 41.a5 Ra8 42.a6 Ra7 43.Ke2 Kf8 44.Rd2 Ke7 45.Kd1 Ke8 46.Kc2 Kf8 47.Kb3 Kg8 48.Kb4 Kh8 49.Kb5 Kg7 50.Kc6 Kh6 51.Rd7 Ra8 52.a7 Kg7 53.Kb7 Rf8 54.Rc7 Rg8 55.Rc8 Rxc8 56.Kxc8 Kf8 57.a8Q Kg7 58.Qc6 Kh6 59.h4 Kh5 60.Qc1 f5 61.Qg5# 1–0

**Hoyt, Kevin (982) - Liu, Aaron Z (963) [C53] Giuoco Piano**

2019 MI Amateur - U2000 Lansing, MI (4), 09.06.2019

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.c3 Bc5 4.Bc4 d6 5.b4 Bb6 6.d3 Bg4 7.h3 Bh5 8.Nbd2 Nge7 9.Bxf7+ Bxf7 10.Ng5 0–0 11.Nc4 Bxc4 12.0–0 Bf7 13.a4 a5 14.b5 Nb8 15.Be3 Nd7 16.Bxb6 Nxb6 17.Qg4 Qc8 18.Qh4 h6 19.Nf3 Ng6 20.Qg3 Qe6 21.c4 c6 22.bxc6 bxc6 23.Rfb1 Rab8 24.Rc1 d5 25.c5 Nd7 26.d4 dxe4 27.Nd2 exd4 28.Re1 Nxc5 29.Rab1 Qe5 30.Qa3 Nd3 31.Rxe4 Rxb1+ 32.Nf1 Qxe4 33.Kh2 Qf4+ 34.Kg1 Qxf2+ 35.Kh2 Ndf4 36.Qg3 Qxg3+ 37.Kxg3 d3 38.Nd2 c5 39.Kf2 Re8 40.Kg3 c4 41.Kf3 c3 42.Ne4 d2 43.Nxc3 Bb3 44.g3 Nd5 45.Ne4 d1Q+ 46.Kf2 Rxe4 47.g4 Qe2+ 48.Kg3 Rxa4 0–1

**Jarosz, Stanley (1947) - Jiang, Leyon (1641) [A48] Torre Attack - London System**

2019 MI Amateur - U2000  
Lansing, MI (4), 09.06.2019

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.Bf4 Bg7 4.h3 c5 5.e3 Nc6 6.c3 d5 7.Nbd2 0–0 8.Be2 Nd7 9.0–0 Re8 10.Qb3 cxd4 11.exd4 e5 12.dxe5 Ndx5 13.Nxe5 Nxe5 14.Nf3 Nxf3+ 15.Bxf3 Qf6 16.Be3 Qd8 17.Bxd5 Qc7 18.Bd4 Re7 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Rfe1 Rb8 21.Qc4 Rd7 22.Qd4+ f6 23.Re8 Rd8 24.Rae1 Rxe8 25.Rxe8 Bf5 26.Rxb8 Qxb8 27.Qb4 b6 28.Qe7+ Kh6 29.Qxf6 Qf4 30.Qf8+ Kg5 31.Qe7+ Kh6 32.Qe3 Kg5 33.h4+ Kg4 34.Bf3+ 1–0

**Sundeen, David (1600) - Bhaumik, Kalyan (1199) [D26] Q-Gambit Accepted**

2019 MI Amateur - U2000  
Lansing, MI (4), 09.06.2019

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.c4 Nf6 5.Nc3 dxc4 6.Bxc4 e6 7.Nf3 Bb4 8.0-0 0-0 9.Be3 b6 10.Rc1 Ba6 11.Bxa6 Nxa6 12.Qd3 Nc7 13.Ne4 Ncd5 14.Nxf6+ Qxf6 15.Bg5 Qg6 16.Qxg6 hxg6 17.a3 Bd6 18.Rc6 Be7 19.Bxe7 Nxe7 20.Rc4 Rfc8 21.Rfc1 b5 22.Rxc8+ Rxc8 23.Rxc8+ Nxc8 24.Ne5 Nb6 25.b3 Kf8 26.Nc6 Nc8 27.Kf1 Ke8 28.Ke2 Kd7 29.Ne5+ Ke7 30.Kd3 a6 31.Kc3 g5 32.Kb4 f6 33.Nc6+ Kd6 34.Nb8 Kd5 35.Nxa6 Nd6 36.Nc7+ Kxd4 37.Nxb5+ Kd5 38.Nxd6 Kxd6 39.Kc4 e5 40.b4 Kc6 41.a4 f5 42.b5+ Kb6 43.Kd5 e4 44.Ke5 g6 45.Kd4 g4 46.Ke3 g5 47.g3 Ka5 48.Kd4 Kb6 49.Ke5 f4 50.gxf4 g3 51.hxg3 e3 52.fxe3 1-0

Rankin, Henry (1514) - LaForge, Thomas (1889) [A53] Old Indian Defense

2019 MI Amateur - U2000  
Lansing, MI (4), 09.06.2019

1.c4 Nf6 2.d4 d6 3.Nc3 e5 4.dxe5 dxe5 5.Qxd8+ Kxd8 6.Bg5 Be6 7.Bxf6+ gxf6 8.0-0-0 Nd7 9.e4 Bh6+ 10.Kb1 Ke7 11.Nd5+ Bxd5 12.cxd5 Nc5 13.f3 Rad8 14.Bc4 c6 15.d6+ Rxd6 16.Rxd6 Kxd6 17.Bxf7 Ke7 18.Bb3 Rd8 19.Ne2 Rd2 20.Ng3 Nxb3 21.Nf5+ Ke6 22.Nxh6 Nd4 23.Rg1 Ne2 24.Re1 Nf4 25.g3 Rxh2 26.gxf4 Rxh6 27.f5+ Kd6 [And Black won the ending.] 0-1

Burdzinski, Jan (1338) - Love, Richard (981) [B22] Sicilian Defense

2019 MI Amateur - U2000  
Lansing, MI (4), 09.06.2019

1.e4 c5 2.c3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.cxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Be3 Bg7 7.Be2 0-0 8.Qd2 Nfd7 9.Bh6 Bxh6 10.Qxh6 e5 11.d5 Nc5 12.Nf3 Nbd7 13.Ng5 Nf6 14.0-0 Bd7 15.f4 Re8 16.fxe5 dxe5 17.Rf2 a5 18.Raf1 Ng4 19.Qxh7+ [Black Resigns] 1-0

Yuan, Daniel (1701) - Sundeen, David (1600) [C29] Vienna Game

2019 MI Amateur - U2000  
Lansing, MI (5), 09.06.2019

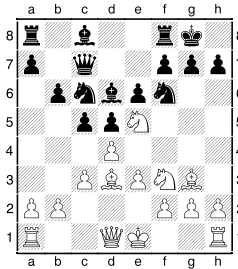
1.e4 e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.f4 Nc6 4.Nf3 d5 5.exd5 Nxd5 6.fxe5 Nxc3 7.bxc3 Bg4 8.d4 Be7 9.Bb5 Qd5 10.c4 Qe4+ 11.Qe2 Qxe2+ 12.Kxe2 0-0 13.Bxc6 bxc6 14.Bf4 Bf5 15.d5 Bxc2 16.Rac1 Be4 17.Ke3 cxd5 18.cxd5 Bxd5 19.Rxc7 Bd8 20.Rc2 Bb6+ 21.Ke2 h6 22.Be3 Rfe8 23.Bxb6 axb6 24.Ra1 Bxf3+ 25.Kxf3 Rxe5 26.Rb2 Rea5 27.Rxb6 Rxa2 28.Rb8+ Rxb8 29.Rxa2 Rb7 30.Ra8+ ½-½

Jarosz, Stanley (1947) - Xie, Yule (1636) [D02] QP Game

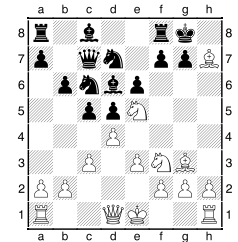
2019 MI Amateur - U2000  
Lansing, MI (5), 09.06.2019 [Stan Jarosz]

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 d5 3.Bf4 e6 4.e3 c5 5.c3 Nc6 6.Nbd2 Bd6 [Passive but solid. Other

options are c5 which may transpose to exchange variation of the Caro-Kann, g6, b6, and Bf5.] of the points of 3. ...e6. Black is hoping to exchange dark squared bishops and play e5.] 7.Bg3 [Not preventing the exchange of Bishops and eventual e5, but gaining the open h file and control of the f4 square if Black exchanges.] 7...0-0 8.Bd3 b6 9.Ne5 [With the Bishop on g3 and better defended, White can attempt to prevent e5 and stop Black from freeing his game.] 9...Qc7 10.Ndf3 [f4 is also possible, but f4 and g6 may need to be better defended if Black plays Nd7 and f6.]



10...Nd7? [Black wants to fight for control of e5 but loses at least a pawn. Other options are h6, Bb7, and Ne4.] 11.Bxh7+ [Similar to sacrifice with pawn on e5 instead of a Knight. The sacrifice works in this position, because if Black accepts the Bishop, he loses his King or heavy material to 12. Ng5+. Kg6 is not available and after 12. ... Kh6 13. Ngxf7+ Rxf7 14. Nxf7+ loses an exchange and 2 pawns. Retreating to the back rank allows an eventual Qh5 and h7 and f7 cannot be protected.]



11...Kxh7?? [Better to play Kh8 and accept the loss of a pawn.] 12.Ng5+ Kg8 13.Nxd7 [Allowing the Queen to go to h5 and preventing the defending Nf6.] 13...Qxd7 [Now mate cannot be prevented. Bxd7 allows Black to hold on longer with loss of material. 14. Qh5 Rfc8 15. Qxf7+ Kh8 16. Qh5+ Kg8 17. Qh7+ Kf8 18 Qh8+ Ke7 19. Qxg7+ Ke8 20. Qf7+ Kd8 21. Nxe6+ Bxe6 22.Qxe6 and there is no way to protect the Bishop except Bxg3 when hxg6 opens the h file for the White Rook.] 14.Qh5 [Removes the Queen from defending f7.] 14...Rd8 [Re8 allows a quicker mate. 16. Bxd6 Qxd6 17. Qxf7+

Kh8. 18. Qxe8+.] 15.Bxd6 Qxd6 16.Qxf7+ [The f pawn must be removed to allow a later check on e7 when the Black King moves to e7.] 16...Kh8 17.Qh5+ Kg8 18.Qh7+ Kf8 19.Qh8+ Ke7 20.Qxg7+ 1-0

Holland, Nathan (1064) - Hoyt, Kevin (982) [E14] Queen's Indian Defense; Classical

2019 MI Amateur - U2000  
Lansing, MI (5), 09.06.2019

1.d4 c5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.e3 e6 4.c4 b6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bd2 Bb7 7.Be2 Nc6 8.a3 Be7 9.Qc2 Qc7 10.d5 exd5 11.Nxd5 Nxd5 12.cxd5 Na7 13.Bc4 d6 14.Bc3 Rg8 15.a4 0-0-0 16.Qd3 Kb8 17.Bxa6 Rde8 18.0-0 Bf6 19.Bxb7 Kxb7 20.Nd2 h5 21.Ne4 c4 22.Qc2 Bxc3 23.Nxc3 f5 24.Nb5 Nxb5 25.axb5 Ra8 26.Rxa8 Rxa8 27.Qxf5 h4 28.h3 Ra5 29.Rb1 Rxb5 30.Qf8 c3 31.Ra1 Ra5 32.Rxa5 bxa5 33.bxc3 Kb6 34.Qa8 Qb7 35.Qd8+ Qc7 36.Qa8 ½-½

Jiang, Leyou (1641) - Yassine, Waleed (1416) [B40] Sicilian Defense

2019 MI Amateur - U2000  
Lansing, MI (5), 09.06.2019

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Bb4 6.e5 Nd5 7.Bd2 Qa5 8.Nb3 Nxc3 9.Nxa5 Nxd1 10.Rxd1 Bc5 11.Nb3 Bb6 12.Bb4 Nc6 13.Bd6 a6 14.g3 Ba7 15.Bg2 b5 16.c3 Bb6 17.Ke2 Bf7 18.Nc5 Nd4+ 19.Kf1 Bxg2+ 20.Kxg2 Nf5 21.Ne4 Nxd6 22.Nxd6+ Ke7 23.Rd3 Bc7 24.Rhd1 Bxd6 25.Rxd6 Rhd8 26.Kf3 f6 27.Ke4 fxe5 28.Kxe5 Ra7 29.f4 g6 30.Rb6 Rc8 31.Rd4 Rc5+ 32.Ke4 a5 33.Kd3 Rac7 34.Ra6 a4 35.Rb6 a3 36.b4 Rxc3+ 37.Ke2 Rc2+ 38.Rd2 Rb2 39.Rxb5 Rcc2 40.Rxc2 Rxc2+ 41.Kd3 Rxa2 42.Ra5 Rxh2 43.Rxa3 Kd6 44.Kc4 Kc6 45.Ra6+ Kb7 46.Kb5 Rh5+ 0-1

Bradfield, Kenneth (1395) - Holden, Anthony (1636) [B32] Sicilian Defense: Lowenthal/Kakashnikov Var.

2019 MI Amateur - U2000  
Lansing, MI (5), 09.06.2019

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Qb6 5.Nb3 Nf6 6.Be3 Qb4+ 7.N1d2 Nxe4 8.Bd3 Nxd2 9.Bxd2 Qh4 10.Qe2 e5 11.0-0 Qa4 12.Kb1 Be7 13.Bb5 Qh4 14.Bxc6 dxc6 15.Qxe5 Be6 16.Qxg7 0-0-0 17.Qg3 Qa4 18.Qe3 Rhg8 19.g3 Rg6 20.f4 Bf8 21.Bc3 Bd5 22.Rhe1 Re6 23.Qf2 Red6 24.Rd4 Qa6 25.Nc1 R6d7 26.b3 Bc5 27.Red1 Bxd4 28.Rxd4 f5 29.Nd3 Qb6 30.Ne5 Rd6 31.Qd2 c5 32.Ba5 Qa6 33.Bxd8 cxd4 34.Be7 Be4 35.Qb4 Rd5 36.Qc4+ Qxc4 37.bxc4 Ra5 38.Kb2 Kc7 39.Kb3 b5 40.cxb5 Rxb5+ 41.Kc4 Rb2 42.a3 Rxc2+ 43.Kxd4 Rxh2 44.Kc5 Rg2 45.Bh4 Kb7 46.Kb4 Re2 47.Ka4 Re3 48.Nc4 Rd3 49.Ne5 Rd4+ 50.Ka5 Bc6 51.Nxc6 Kxc6 52.a4 a6 53.Bg5 Kb7 54.Bh4



h6 55.Bf6 Re4 56.Bh4 Kc6 57.Bf6 Re3  
58.Bh4 Kb7 59.Kb4 Ka7 60.Ka5 Rb3 0-1

Whitworth, John (1762) - Scioly, Tony  
(1531) [B50] Sicilian Defense

2019 MI Amateur - U2000  
Lansing, MI (5), 09.06.2019  
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.c3 Nf6 4.Bd3 Nc6 5.0-0  
e5 6.Bc2 Bg4 7.h3 Bh5 8.d3 Be7 9.Nbd2  
0-0 10.Re1 Qd7 11.Nf1 Bxf3 12.Qxf3 Rac8  
13.Ng3 b5 14.Nf5 Rfe8 15.Bg5 Qe6  
16.Bb3 c4 17.dxc4 bxc4 18.Ba4 Bf8  
19.Rad1 Red8 20.Nh6+ Kh8 21.Bxf6 gxf6  
22.Nf5 Ne7 23.g4 Nxf5 24.gxf5 Qe7  
25.Qh5 Bg7 26.Rd5 Rc5 27.Rxc5 dxc5  
28.Rd1 Rxd1+ 29.Qxd1 h6 30.Qd5 Bf8  
31.Qxc4 Kg7 32.Bc6 Qc7 33.Bd5 Bd6  
34.b4 cxb4 35.Qxc7 Bxc7 36.cxb4 Kf8  
37.Kg2 Bb6 38.Kg3 Ke7 39.f4 exf4+  
40.Kxf4 Kf8 41.Kf3 Ke7 42.Ke2 Bd4  
43.Kd3 Bb6 44.a4 Ke8 45.Kc4 Ke7 46.Kb5  
Kd6 47.Bxf7 Bd4 48.Ka6 Kc7 49.h4 Kb8  
50.h5 Be5 51.Bd5 Bd6 52.b5 Be5 [White  
won the ending.]1-0

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

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

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

2019 MI Amateur - U2000 Lansing, MI (5),  
09.06.2019

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Nf3 Bf5 5.e3  
e6 6.Bd3 Bg6 7.0-0 Bd6 8.Re1 Nbd7 9.e4  
dxe4 10.Nxe4 Nxe4 11.Bxe4 Bxe4 12.Rxe4  
Nf6 13.Re1 h6 14.Bd2 0-0 15.Rc1 Qc7  
16.b4 Rfd8 17.Qc2 b6 18.c5 bxc5 19.bxc5  
Be7 20.Qa4 Rdc8 21.Ne5 Bd8 22.Rb1 Nd7  
23.Bf4 Nxe5 24.Bxe5 Qd7 25.Rb2 Bc7  
26.Rb7 Qd8 27.Bxc7 Rxc7 28.Reb1 e5  
29.dxe5 Rxb7 30.Rxb7 Qd5 31.h3 Qxc5  
32.Rc7 Qb5 33.Qxb5 cxb5 34.Rb7 a6  
35.Kf1 Rc8 36.g3 Rc6 37.Ra7 f6 38.exf6  
Rxf6 39.Ke2 Rd6 40.Ke3 Kh7 41.h4 Kg6  
42.Ke4 Kf6 43.Kf4 Rd4+ 44.Ke3 Ra4  
45.Kd3 Rxa2 46.Kd4 g6 47.Kc5 Kf5 48.f3  
g5 49.hxg5 hxg5 50.Kb6 b4 51.Kc5 a5  
52.Rb7 a4 53.Rxb4 Ra1 54.Kb5 a3 55.Ra4  
a2 56.Kb4 Rb1+ 57.Ka3 a1Q# 0-1

### Under 800 Section Games

Mamidi, Kaushik (457) - Afanasyev, Vadim  
(Unr) [C50] Hungarian Defense

2019 MI Amateur - Under 800 Lansing, MI  
(1), 08.06.2019  
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Nh6 4.d3 Bd6  
5.Nc3 Bc5 6.Bg5 Ne7 7.d4 0-0 8.dxc5 Nc6  
9.Bxd8 Nxd8 10.Nxe5 [White went on to  
win.] 1-0

Swaminathan, Tarun (768) -

Mamidi, Kaushik (457) [C54] Giuoco Piano  
2019 MI Amateur - Under 800 Lansing,  
MI (2), 08.06.2019

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3  
d6 6.Nbd2 Bg4 7.0-0 Nh5 8.h3 Bxf3  
9.Qxf3 g6 10.Qxf7# 1-0

Julyri, Neha (Unr) - Taylor, Caleb (649)

[A45] Trompowski Attack

2019 MI Amateur - U800 (3), 08.06.2019  
1.d4 Nf6 2.Bf4 d6 3.Nc3 Nc6 4.Nb5 e5  
5.Bg3 g6 6.e3 Bg7 7.Bc4 Qe7 8.Nxd6+  
cxd6 9.Qf3 exd4 10.Bb5 Bd7 11.0-0 0-0  
12.Qf4 Nh5 13.Qg4 Bxg4 14.f3 Qxe3+

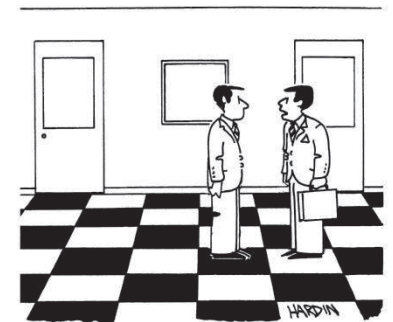
15.Rd2 Bh6 16.Bxd6 Qxd2+ 17.Kb1 Qd1#  
0-1

Taylor, Caleb (649) - Leung, Daniel (317)  
[A06] Reti Opening

2019 MI Amateur - Under 800 Lansing, MI  
(4), 08.06.2019  
1.Nf3 d5 2.b3 Nc6 3.Bb2 Bg4 4.d3 e6  
5.Nbd2 Bb4 6.e4 dxe4 7.dxe4 Bxf3 8.gxf3  
Bc5 9.Qe2 Nge7 10.0-0 Nd4 11.Qe3  
Nxb3+ 12.Qxb3 Bxf2 13.Bb5+ Nc6 14.Qc3  
Qe7 15.Qxg7 0-0 16.Qg2 Be3 17.Bxh8  
Rhx8 18.Qe2 Bc5 19.e5 Ba3+ 20.Kb1 Qc5  
21.Nc4 Qe7 22.Nxa3 Qxa3 23.Rd3 Qb4+  
24.Rb3 Nd4 25.Rxb4 Nxe2 26.Bxe2 a5  
27.Rd4 Rf8 28.f4 c5 29.Rd6 Kc7 30.Rhd1  
Kc8 31.h4 a4 32.Bd3 h6 33.f5 exf5  
34.Bxf5+ Kb8 35.Rd8+ Rxd8 36.Rxd8+ Kc7  
37.Rd6 f6 38.Rxf6 Kd8 39.e6 Ke8 40.Rxh6  
Ke7 41.Bh3 Ke8 42.Rh7 Kf8 43.h5 Kg8  
44.Rf7 b5 45.Bg2 b4 46.Bd5 c4 47.e7 c3  
48.e8Q# 1-0

Budida, Chaithanya (425) - Taylor, Caleb  
(649) [A47] London System

2019 MI Amateur - Under 800 Lansing, MI  
(5), 08.06.2019  
1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 b6 3.Nc3 Bb7 4.e3 d6  
5.Bb5+ Nc6 6.Bxc6+ Bxc6 7.0-0 Qd7  
8.Re1 0-0 9.e4 g6 10.e5 dxe5 11.dxe5  
Nd5 12.Nxd5 Qxd5 13.Qxd5 Rxd5 14.Ng5  
f6 15.Nf7 Rg8 16.Bh6 fxe5 17.Bxf8 Rxf8  
18.Nxe5 Bb7 19.Rad1 Rc5 20.Nd7 Rxf2  
21.Nxc5 Rxd2+ 22.Kf1 bxc5 23.Rxe7 Rxh2  
24.Re8# 1-0



"Maybe it's me, but I have a feeling we're  
being used as pawns."

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The King Pawn and the Queen  
Pawn are the only ones to be  
moved in the early part of the  
game. -Wilhelm Steinitz

The game might be divided into three parts, the  
opening, the middle game, and the end-game.  
There is one thing you must strive for, to be  
equally efficient in the three parts. -Capablanca

# ***2019 Michigan Bottom Half Class Tournament- July 20-21, 2019 - Lansing***

One of the benefits of being editor of *MI Chess Magazine* is the ability to move around the tournament hall, chat with folks about chess, and gather insights into their experiences with chess. Unique perspectives about kids from chess moms and dads permit one to learn about players on a more personal level. The ability to take action pictures of the contestants at their most intense, and observe how players react to winning and losing in a game that in many aspects becomes more than just a casual past time.

This weekend at the **Michigan Bottom Half Class** was no exception. I freely wandered the playing venue in an attempt to capture the flavor of the tournament, its competitors, and the myriad of side stories that an interested observer might absorb from a weekend away from the hum-drum events of the daily grind to the intense immersion into the highly charged realm of competitive chess.

One of the most rewarding conversations took place between us “veteran” chess aficionados as we commented on the frenetic pace of the youngsters. With seeming boundless energy, players and family members alike raced around between rounds, replaying games, blitzing each other in speed chess, and the ceaseless banter that usually accompanied the relentless, and in some cases, merciless critiques of each other’s games.

One of the envious lament proffered a saged observer and heartily supported by others nearby was: “When you face one of these youngsters, you need to tack on about 400 points to their ratings in order to get an accurate picture of their strength!!” I can certainly attest to that observation as I struggled to survive through three of my four games against players under 15!!

On a more personal note, I had a chance to meet **Christopher Billick**, who tags after son, **Griffin**, capturing each encounter through his trusty telephoto lens. He has contributed to *MI Chess* on numerous occasions, as well as, **Jennifer Casey (Nicolas)** - committed chess mom, supporter, arranger, comforter, transporter, not to mention, financier!

This year’s event produced a much better than expected turnout according to **TD Jeff Aldrich**, that kept both him and **Jack Kahn** hopping. Despite the best laid plans, Jeff unfortunately was held hostage at the beginning of Round 4, by a **Microsoft** update on his computer, freezing his pairing program and forced him to make pairings the old fashioned way (You know, the kind that we “seasoned” competitors had become accustomed to in our lengthy tenure around chess tournaments.) After a minimal delay our intrepid TD successfully navigated the difficult situation and once again had the masses at their boards.

In the end, everything seemed to work out and the event produced a number of additions to the MI Champions List. --- Lon Rutkofske

#	Name: Open Section	Rtng	St	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Tot
1	Henry Zhang	2082	ON	W10	W4	D7	D2	W6	4.0
2	Anthony Nichols	2171	MI	W12	W3	H---	D1	W8	4.0
3	Savio Joseph-Benher	1945	ON	W8	L2	W15	D11	W7	3.5
4	Manis Davidovich	2255	MI	W5	L1	W13	L6	W10	3.0
5	Patrick McCartney	1996	NC	L4	L10	W16	W9	W11	3.0
6	Raymond Garrison	2001	MI	W16	D15	H---	W4	L1	3.0
7	Kevin Noren	2230	MI	W11	D13	D1	D8	L3	2.5
8	Andrew Schremser	2101	MI	L3	W9	W12	D7	L2	2.5
9	Brelen Wilkes	1901	MI	D15	L8	W10	L5	W16	2.5
10	Ronald Williams	1858	MI	L1	W5	L9	W12	L4	2.0
11	Mikhail Korenman	1975	IL	L7	W14	H---	D3	L5	2.0
12	Adhvaith Rajanish	1970	MI	L2	W16	L8	L10	W14	2.0
13	Salah Chehayeb	2071	MI	W14	D7	L4	U---	U---	1.5
14	Gary Pratt	1800	MI	L13	L11	H---	W16	L12	1.5
15	David Hahn	2100	MI	D9	D6	L3	U---	U---	1.0
16	Ashrith Mathiyazhagan	1656	MI	L6	L12	L5	L14	L9	0.0

#	Name : U-1900 Section	Rtng	St	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Tot
1	Matthew Trujillo	1883	MI	D6	W13	H---	W3	W2	4.0
2	Nick Schwerin	1892	MI	W16	W8	W5	D4	L1	3.5
3	Thomas Triplett	1800	MI	W10	W15	H---	L1	W4	3.5
4	Isaac Zylstra	1878	NC	W12	W11	H---	D2	L3	3.0
5	Kevin Yuan	1637	ON	D7	W9	L2	W15	D8	3.0
6	Daniel Yuan	1677	ON	D1	D7	W17	L8	W13	3.0
7	Donald Mason	1819	MI	D5	D6	L12	W17	W10	3.0
8	Lonnie Rutkofske	1800	MI	W17	L2	H---	W6	D5	3.0
9	Hunter Reed	1602	MI	D13	L5	W11	L10	W16	2.5
10	Leyou Jiang	1621	MI	L3	W16	H---	W9	L7	2.5
11	Alexander Speicher	1509	MI	W14	L4	L9	D16	W15	2.5
12	Ethan Lyu	1664	MI	L4	W14	W7	H---	U---	2.5
13	Ryan Wang	1707	MI	D9	L1	H---	W14	L6	2.0
14	Frank Spooner	1700	MI	L11	L12	D16	L13	W17	1.5
15	Adhrit Bharath	1244	MI	B---	L3	H---	L5	L11	1.5
16	Rajesh Anand	1684	MI	L2	L10	D14	D11	L9	1.0
17	Alex Kong	1607	MI	L8	B---	L6	L7	L14	1.0

## BOTTOM HALF CLASS AWARD WINNERS



Open: 1<sup>st</sup> Place  
**Henry Zhang**  
Canada



Open: 2<sup>nd</sup> Place  
**Anthony Nichols**  
Michigan Champ



Open: Top -U2200  
**Savio Joseph-Benher**



Open: Top -U2000  
**Patrick McCartney**



U1900 - 1<sup>st</sup> Place  
**Matthew Trujillo**



U1900: Top-U1800  
**Kevin Yuan**



Photos courtesy of Christopher Billick, Lon Rutkofske and Jeff Aldrich.

#	Name: U-1700 Section	Rtng	St	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Tot
1	Vaamanan Mugunthan	1404	ON	D2	D5	W14	W6	W3	4.0
2	Abhinav Rajanish	1544	MI	D1	D13	W7	W10	D5	3.5
3	Rajanish Rajan	1506	MI	W14	W10	D6	W4	L1	3.5
4	Jesse Ren	1397	MI	W11	D7	W13	L3	W6	3.5
5	Nigel Taliaferro	1526	MI	D8	D1	D11	W12	D2	3.0
6	William Wang	1331	MI	B---	W8	D3	L1	L4	2.5
7	Tony Scioly	1515	MI	W12	D4	L2	D9	D8	2.5
8	Samraat Zagade	1610	MI	D5	L6	D9	W11	D7	2.5
9	Aaron Y Liu	1507	MI	L10	D14	D8	D7	W12	2.5
10	David Sundeen	1600	MI	W9	L3	H---	L2	D11	2.0
11	Henry Rankin	1532	MI	L4	W12	D5	L8	D10	2.0
12	Michael Aldrich	1609	MI	L7	L11	B---	L5	L9	1.0
13	Jack Wiener	1513	MI	H---	D2	L4	U---	U---	1.0
14	Richard Wilson	1540	MI	L3	D9	L1	U---	U---	0.5

#	Name: U-1500 Section	Rtng	St	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Tot
1	Nicolas Casey	1436	MI	H---	W5	W3	W6	L2	3.5
2	Mulan Zhang	946	MI	D5	W7	L6	B---	W1	3.5
3	Jeffrey Solski	1477	MI	W7	W6	L1	W5	L4	3.0
4	Robert Taliaferro	1302	MI	L6	B---	L5	W7	W3	3.0
5	Samuel Thompson	1399	MI	D2	L1	W4	L3	W7	2.5
6	Alex McNeilly	1470	MI	W4	L3	W2	L1	U---	2.0
7	Jan Burdzinski	1329	MI	L3	L2	B---	L4	L5	1.0

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**Vaamanan  
Mugunthan**  
Canada



U1700: 2<sup>nd</sup> Place  
**Abhinav Rajanish**  
Michigan Champ



U1700: Top-U1600  
**Rajanish Rajan**



U1500: 1<sup>st</sup> Place  
**Nicolas Casey**



U1500: 2<sup>nd</sup> Place  
**Mulan Zhang**



U1500: Top-U1400  
**Robert Taliaferro**



Photos Courtesy of Jeff Aldrich



Photos courtesy of Christopher Billick



#	Name: U-1300 Section	Rtng	St	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Tot
1	Tyler Booher	1123	MI	W17	D6	W2	D4	W8	4.0
2	Lukas Krueger	1013	MI	W9	W24	L1	W7	W6	4.0
3	Naveen Natarajan	1004	MI	W19	W7	H---	D6	W4	4.0
4	Shravan Swaminathan	1087	MI	W25	W21	W10	D1	L3	3.5
5	Ed Mandell	1294	MI	W23	H---	L6	W12	W9	3.5
6	Richard Love	949	MI	W11	D1	W5	D3	L2	3.0
7	Benjamin Wang	1218	MI	W8	L3	W18	L2	W13	3.0
8	Kevin Hoyt	960	MI	L7	W19	W11	W10	L1	3.0
9	Jacqueline Garrett	841	MI	L2	W23	W20	W14	L5	3.0
10	Inbhavenkat Rajan	1101	MI	W15	W12	L4	L8	W17	3.0
11	Kalel Garrett	1173	MI	L6	W22	L8	W21	W18	3.0
12	Ashrita Bharath	919	MI	W13	L10	H---	L5	W21	2.5
13	Matthew Keefe	1038	MI	L12	W17	H---	W16	L7	2.5
14	Nathan Holland	1014	MI	D22	D16	W24	L9	D15	2.5
15	Benjamin Akselrod	947	MI	L10	L18	W25	W20	D14	2.5
16	Aaron Z Liu	1019	MI	H---	D14	D21	L13	W22	2.5
17	Katelyn Lu	948	MI	L1	L13	W22	W24	L10	2.0
18	Pranav Nalam	1013	MI	L24	W15	L7	W19	L11	2.0
19	Mahathi Mathiyazhagan	698	MI	L3	L8	B---	L18	W25	2.0
20	Shlagha Kompelli	1028	MI	L21	W25	L9	L15	W24	2.0
21	Kendrick Hodge	908	MI	W20	L4	D16	L11	L12	1.5
22	Tarun Swaminathan	867	MI	D14	L11	L17	W23	L16	1.5
23	Ray Christie	977	MI	L5	L9	H---	L22	B---	1.5
24	Aadhi Ezhil	762	MI	W18	L2	L14	L17	L20	1.0
25	Theodore Gregg	943	MI	L4	L20	L15	B---	L19	1.0

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**Tyler Booher**



U1300: 1<sup>st</sup> Place  
**Lukas Krueger**



U1300: Top-U1200  
**Naveen Natarajan**



1300: Top-U1000  
**Richard Love**

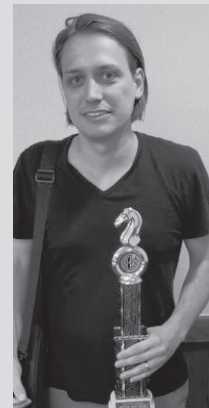


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#	Name: U-900 Section	Rtng	St	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Tot
1	Nick Popovic	unr.	MI	W41	W14	W22	W3	W2	5.0
2	Trung Tran	unr.	MI	W18	W6	W7	W10	L1	4.0
3	Ljubisa Krstevski	unr.	MI	W16	W13	W5	L1	W10	4.0
4	Onasis Krstevski	unr.	MI	W32	W11	L10	W13	W12	4.0
5	Marvin Greenlee	unr.	MI	W31	W27	L3	W11	W14	4.0
6	Ryan Shankar	731	MI	W24	L2	W34	W19	W15	4.0
7	Jace Johnson	unr.	MI	W20	W17	L2	W16	D8	3.5
8	Vihaan Kumaravel	unr.	MI	L11	W28	W27	W22	D7	3.5
9	Pradham Nalam	740	MI	L25	W36	W30	D12	W18	3.5
10	Kamron Jones-Franklin	803	MI	W28	W30	W4	L2	L3	3.0
11	Dron Das	660	MI	W8	L4	W24	L5	W29	3.0
12	Terrian Sun	800	MI	W29	D34	W21	D9	L4	3.0
13	Tejas Ponugupati	701	MI	W36	L3	W25	L4	W31	3.0
14	Marcus Zheng	682	MI	W38	L1	W37	W26	L5	3.0
15	Johann Zerbst	unr.		L34	W40	W17	W21	L6	3.0
16	Mariah Crawford	649	MI	L3	W25	W35	L7	W23	3.0
17	Chaithanya Budida	615	MI	W23	L7	L15	W28	W26	3.0
18	Griffin Billick	643	MI	L2	W29	W33	W34	L9	3.0
19	Kaushik Mamidi	536	MI	W39	L22	W23	L6	W24	3.0
20	Andre Yang	358	MI	L7	L23	W39	W25	W22	3.0
21	Thomas Valenzuela	668	MI	W33	W35	L12	L15	W30	3.0
22	Ralph Carter	857	MI	W37	W19	L1	L8	L20	2.0
23	Cyrus Babai	unr.	OH	L17	W20	L19	W37	L16	2.0
24	Saketh Dondapati	211	MI	L6	W41	L11	W32	L19	2.0
25	Natalie Lu	236	MI	W9	L16	L13	L20	W38	2.0
26	Ryan Barrett	unr.	MI	L27	W31	W32	L14	L17	2.0
27	Kirit Bhaumik	622	MI	W26	L5	L8	L29	W34	2.0
28	Dante Barrett	301	MI	L10	L8	W40	L17	W35	2.0
29	Terence Xie	253	MI	L12	L18	X41	W27	L11	2.0
30	Brendan Eye	355	MI	X---	L10	L9	W35	L21	2.0
31	Senith Mudiyansele	368	MI	L5	L26	W36	W38	L13	2.0
32	Aditya Gopu	511	MI	L4	W38	L26	L24	W36	2.0
33	Dhev Kannan	101	MI	L21	B---	L18	L40	W37	2.0
34	Druheen Das	472	MI	W15	D12	L6	L18	L27	1.5
35	Alexander Lu	unr.	MI	W40	L21	L16	L30	L28	1.0
36	Sophia Krueger	210	MI	L13	L9	L31	W39	L32	1.0
37	Elise Valenzuela	315	MI	L22	W39	L14	L23	L33	1.0
38	Dhruv Duruvasan	112	MI	L14	L32	B---	L31	L25	1.0
39	Jake Antaya	unr.		L19	L37	L20	L36	B---	1.0
40	Nischal Bhandaklar	626	MI	L35	L15	L28	W33	U---	1.0
41	Rohith Sudhanthar	551	MI	L1	L24	F29	U---	U---	0.0

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**Nick Popovic**



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**Trung Tran**



U900: 3<sup>rd</sup> Place  
**Ljubisa Krstevski**



U900: Top-Unrated  
**Onasis Krstevski**



U900: Top-U800  
**Ryan Shankar**



U900: Top-U600  
**Kaushik Mamidi**



U900: Top-U400  
**Andre Yang**

*Vanity should never tempt a player to engage in a combat at the risk of loss of health. It is bad enough to lose without the additional annoyance of paying doctors' bills. — Emanuel Lasker*

## 2019 Bottom Half Class Tournament

### Round 1



McCartney, Patrick (1996) - Davidovich, Manis (2255) [B01] Scandinavian Defense 2019 Bottom Half Class - Open Lansing

(1), 20.07.2019

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.d4 Bg4 4.Nf3 Qxd5 5.Be2 Nc6 6.0-0 0-0 7.c4 Qf5 8.Be3 e5 9.d5 e4 10.Nd4 Nxd4 11.Bxd4 Bxe2 12.Qxe2 Bd6 13.Bxf6 Qxf6 14.Nc3 Qe5 15.f4 Qd4+ 16.Kh1 f5 17.Nb5 Qb6 18.a4 a6 19.a5 Qc5 20.b4 Qxb4 21.Na7+ Kd7 22.Rab1 Qc3 23.Rxb7 Rb8 24.Rxb8 Rxb8 25.Qh5 Qf6 26.g4 Qg6 27.Nc6 Rf8 28.Qxg6 hxg6 29.Ne5+ Bxe5 30.fxe5 f4 31.Kg2 g5 32.Re1 e3 33.Kf3 Rh8 34.Kg2 Rb8 35.Kf3 Rb2 36.Re2 Rb1 37.h4 Rf1+ 38.Kg2 Rc1 39.hxg5 Rxc4 40.Kf3 Rd4 41.Re1 c6 42.e6+ Kd6 43.e7 Kxe7 44.dxc6 Kd6 45.Rc1 Kc7 46.Rc3 Rd1 47.Rc4 Rf1+ 48.Ke2 Rf2+ 49.Ke1 g6 50.Re4 Kxc6 51.Re6+ Kd5 52.Rxg6 Rg2 53.Rf6 Ke4 54.g6 Rg1+ 55.Ke2 f3+ 56.Rxf3 Rg2+ 57.Kf1 Kxf3 58.g7 Rxg4 0-1

Noren, Kevin (2220) -

Korenman, Mikhail (1975) [C07] French Tarrasch

2019 Bottom Half Class - Open

Lansing (1), 20.07.2019

See *Annotators' Workshop-J.Morris p.31*

Wilkes, Brelen (1911) - Hahn, David (2100) [A12] English Opening

2019 Bottom Half Class - Open

Lansing (1), 20.07.2019

1.b3 d5 2.Bb2 Bg4 3.Nf3 Nd7 4.d4 e6 5.e3 Ngf6 6.Be2 c6 7.0-0 Bxf3 8.Bxf3 Bd6 9.Nd2 Qe7 10.c4 0-0 11.Re1 Ba3 12.Bxa3 Qxa3 13.cxd5 exd5 14.e4 dxe4 15.Bxe4 Rfe8 16.Nc4 Qf8 17.Bf3 Nb6 18.Rxe8 Rxe8 19.Nxb6 axb6 20.Qd2 Qd6 21.Rd1 h6 22.b4 b5 23.Qc3 Nd5 24.Bxd5 Qxd5 25.a3 Rd8 26.h3 Qf5 27.Re1 Qf6 28.Re5 Qd6

29.Re4 f5 30.Re2 Qxd4 31.Qxd4 Rxd4 32.Re7 Rd3 33.Rxb7 Rxa3 34.Rc7 Rc3 35.g3 Kh7 36.h4 Kg6 37.Kg2 Kf6 38.f4 g6 39.Kf2 h5 40.Kg2 Rc4 41.Kf3 Ke6 42.Rg7 ½-½

Yuan, Kevin (1637) - Mason, Donald (1819) [D00] Unusual Lines

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1900

Lansing (1), 20.07.2019

1.Nc3 d5 2.d4 Nf6 3.e4 dxe4 4.f3 exf3 5.Nxf3 e6 6.Bd3 Be7 7.0-0 Nbd7 8.Kh1 0-0 9.Qe1 c5 10.Qh4 cxd4 11.Bg5 g6 12.Nxd4 Nd5 13.Ne4 Bxg5 14.Nxg5 N5f6 15.Qh6 Qe7 16.Rf3 Rd8 17.Raf1 Qf8 18.Qxf8+ Rxf8 19.Bb5 e5 20.Ne2 e4 21.Rf4 h6 22.Nxe4 Nxe4 23.Rxe4 Nc5 24.Re5 Ne6 ½-½

Schremser, Andres (2101) - Joseph-Benher, Savio (1945) [C16] French Defense

2019 Bottom Half Class - Open

Lansing (1), 20.07.2019

See *Annotators' Workshop-J.Morris p.31*

Kong, Alex (1706) - Rutkofske, Lonnie (1800) [C01] French Exchange

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1900

Lansing (1), 20.07.2019

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 exd5 4.c4 Nc6 5.Nf3 Be7 6.Nc3 Nf6 7.Bg5 0-0 8.Bxf6 Bxf6 9.Nxd5 Re8+ 10.Be2 Bg4 11.Nxf6+ Qxf6 12.d5 Bxf3 13.gxf3 Nd4 14.Kf1 Nxe2 15.Qb3 Nd4 16.Qd3 Nxf3 17.h4 Ne5 18.Qc2 Ng4 19.Kg2 Qg6 20.Qxg6 hxg6 21.Kg3 Nf6 22.Kf3 Re4 23.Rac1 Rae8 24.Rhd1 R8e5 25.c5 Rf5+ 26.Kg2 Rg4+ 27.Kf1 Nxd5 28.Rd3 c6 29.Re1 Rc4 30.Re8+ Kh7 31.Ra3 a6 32.Rb3 Rb4 33.Rxb4 Nxb4 34.Rb8 Nd3 35.Rxb7 Rxf2+ 36.Kg1 Rxb2 37.Rxf7 Rxa2 38.Rc7 Nb4 39.Rb7 a5 40.h5 gxh5 0-1

Zylstra, Isaac (1878) - Lyu, Ethan (1670) [D31] QGD

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1900

Lansing (1), 20.07.2019

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 e6 4.Nc3 dxc4 5.a4 Bb4 6.g3 Nf6 7.Bg5 0-0 8.Bg2 Nbd7 9.0-0 Bxc3 10.bxc3 h6 11.Bf4 Nd5 12.Qc1 Nxf4 13.Qxf4 Qa5 14.Rfc1 Rd8 15.Qd6 Nc5 16.Qxc5 Qxc5 17.dxc5 Rd5 18.Rd1 Rxc5 19.Rd8+ Kh7 20.Rad1 g6 21.Rf8 Kg7 22.Rdd8 Ra5 23.Rxc8 1-0

Speicher, Alexander (1559) -

Spooner, Fank (1700) [D90] Grunfeld

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1900

Lansing (1), 20.07.2019

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.c4 d5 4.Nc3 Bg7 5.g3 c5 6.dxc5 Qa5 7.cxd5 Qxc5 8.Bg2 0-0 9.0-0 Rd8 10.e4 Bg4 11.Qb3 b6 12.Be3 Qd6 13.Rac1 Na6 14.Na4 Nc5 15.Nxc5 bxc5 16.Rxc5 Qa6 17.Rc6 Rab8 18.Rxa6 Rxb3 19.axb3 Nxe4 20.Rxa7 Bxb2 21.h3 Bd7 22.Bd4 Nc3 23.Bxc3 Bxc3 24.Rc1 Bb2 25.Rcc7 Be8 26.Rxe7 Bf6 27.Reb7 Kg7 28.h4 h6 29.Bh3 Rxd5 30.Be6 Rd1+ 31.Kg2 Kg8 32.Bxf7+ Bxf7 33.Rxf7 Bh8 34.Rfd1-0

Yuan, Daniel (1616) -

Trujillo, Matthew (1883) [B34] Sicilian Dragon

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1900

Lansing (1), 20.07.2019

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 g6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Bg7 5.Be2 Nc6 6.Be3 Nf6 7.Nc3 0-0 8.0-0 d5 9.exd5 Nxd5 10.Nxd5 Qxd5 11.Nxc6 Qxc6 12.c3 Bf5 13.Qb3 b6 14.Bf3 Be4 15.Bxe4 Qxe4 16.Rfe1 Qb7 17.Rad1 h6 18.Bc5 Rfe8 19.Qb5 Qc7 20.Bd6 Qb7 21.Bc5 a6 22.Qb4 a5 23.Qb5 Qc7 24.Bxb6 Reb8 25.Qe8+ Rxe8 26.Bxc7 e6 27.Rd7 Rec8 28.Red1 Bf6 29.f3 a4 30.Kf2 Kg7 31.R1d3 a3 32.b3 Ra7 33.Be5 Rxd7 34.Bxf6+ Kxf6 35.Rxd7 Rxc3 36.Ke2 Rc2+ 37.Rd2 Rb2 38.Kd3 Rb1 39.Kc3 Ke7 40.Kb4 Rb2 41.Kc3 Rb1 42.Kb4 Rb2 ½-½

Aldrich, Michael (1577) - Scioly, Tony (1515) [B08] Classical Pirc

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1700

Lansing (1), 20.07.2019

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bf4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.h3 0-0 6.Nf3 c5 7.Bc4 cxd4 8.Ne2 Nxe4 9.Ng5 Nng5 10.Bxg5 Nc6 11.Bd5 Qa5+ 0-1

Liu, Aaron (1451) - Sundeen, David (1600) [C42] Petroff's Defense

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1700

Lansing (1), 20.07.2019

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nxe5 d6 4.Nf3 Nxe4 5.d3 Nf6 6.Bf4 Nc6 7.c4 Be7 8.d4 d5 9.Nc3 Bf5 10.Be2 dxc4 11.Bxc4 Ne4 12.0-0 0-0 13.Re1 Nd6 14.Bb3 Nb4 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.Bxd5 c6 17.Bb3 Bf6 18.Rb1 Bxb1 19.Qxb1 Re8 20.Rd1 Nb5 21.d5 cxd5 22.Rxd5 Qb6

23.Be3 Qc6 24.Rc5 Qd7 25.Rd5 Nd6  
26.Bc5 Be7 27.Ne5 Qc7 28.Bxd6 Bxd6  
29.Nxf7 Bxh2+ 30.Kh1 Qf4 31.Nh6+  
Kh8 32.Rh5 gxh6 33.Rxh2 Rac8  
34.Bc2 Qxf2 35.Rxh6 Re1+ 0–1

Rajan,Rajanish (1543) -  
Wilson,Richard (1540) [D02] QP  
Game

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1700  
Lansing (1), 20.07.2019

1.d4 d5 2.Bf4 Nc6 3.c3 Bf5 4.Nf3 e6  
5.Nbd2 Bd6 6.Bg3 Nge7 7.e3 Ng6  
8.Qb3 Qd7 9.Qa4 e5 10.Bb5 0–0  
11.dxe5 Bc5 12.h4 Nge7 13.Nb3 Bb6  
14.0–0–0 a6 15.Bd3 Ba7 16.Nbd4  
Nxe5 17.Qxd7 Nxd3+ 18.Rxd3 Bxd7  
19.Bxc7 Rac8 20.Bd6 Rfe8 21.Bxe7  
Rxe7 22.Rg1 b5 23.b4 Bb6 24.Kb2 f5  
25.g3 h6 26.Ne2 Be6 27.Ned4 Bxd4  
28.Nxd4 Bd7 29.Ne2 Bc6 30.Nf4 Rd8  
31.Rgd1 Re4 32.Ng6 Re6 33.h5 Red6  
34.Ne7+ Kf7 35.Nxf5 Rf6 36.g4 Rd7  
37.f4 Rd8 38.Rd4 Rd7 39.R1d2 Ke6  
40.Rd1 Kf7 41.R4d2 Bb7 42.e4 d4  
43.Rxd4 Rxd4 44.Rxd4 Bc8 45.e5 1–0

Thompson,Samuel (1399) -  
Zhang,Mulan (1261) [A00] Irregular  
Opening

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1500  
Lansing (1), 20.07.2019

1.g3 e5 2.b3 d5 3.Bb2 Bd6 4.Bg2 Be6  
5.d3 Nc6 6.e3 Nf6 7.Nd2 a6 8.Ne2 h6  
9.a3 Qd7 10.h3 Ne7 11.c4 c6 12.b4  
Ng6 13.c5 Bc7 14.Qc2 a5 15.d4 axb4  
16.axb4 Rxa1+ 17.Bxa1 0–0 18.Nb3  
Re8 19.Qa2 Rb8 20.Kd2 Qc8 21.Qc2  
Bf5 22.Qc3 Ne4+ 23.Bxe4 Bxe4  
24.Rh2 Qe8 25.f4 exf4 26.Nxf4 Nxf4  
27.exf4 Qd8 28.Nc1 Qf6 29.Nd3 Bxd3  
30.Qxd3 Bxf4+ 31.Kc2 Bc7 32.Re2  
Qg6 33.Qxg6 fxg6 34.g4 Kf7 35.Bc3 g5  
36.Kd3 Bf4 37.Bd2 Bxd2 38.Rxd2 Ra8  
39.Rc2 Ra3+ 40.Rc3 Rxc3+ 41.Kxc3  
Ke7 42.Kd3 Kd7 43.Kc3 Kc8 44.Kb3  
Kb8 45.Ka4 [Draw agreed] ½–½

Taliaferro,Robert (1302) -  
McNeilly,Alexander (1470) [B01]  
Scandinavian Defense

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1500  
Lansing (1), 20.07.2019

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Qxd5 3.Nc3 Qa5 4.Bc4  
c6 5.a3 Nf6 6.d4 Bf5 7.b4 Qc7 8.h3 e6  
9.Nge2 Nbd7 10.Rb1 Nb6 11.Bd3  
Bxd3 12.Qxd3 0–0–0 13.Bf4 Bd6

14.Bxd6 Qxd6 15.b5 c5 16.dxc5 Qxc5  
17.Qf3 Nc4 18.Na4 Qxa3 19.Qxa3  
Nxa3 20.Rb2 Nc4 21.Rb4 Ne5 22.0–0  
Rd2 23.b6 a5 24.Rb5 Rxe2 25.Rxa5  
Nc6 26.Ra8+ Nb8 27.Nc3 Rd2 28.Nb5  
Rhd8 29.Na7+ Kd7 30.c4 Nc6  
31.Rxd8+ Nxd8 32.f3 Nc6 33.Ra1 Kd6  
34.Rb1 Kc5 35.Kf1 Rc2 36.Rb5+ Kd6  
37.Rg5 g6 38.Nb5+ Kd7 39.Na3 Rc3  
0–1

Barath,Ashrita (901) -  
Keefe,Matthew (1038) [B12] Caro-  
Kann Advance

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1300  
Lansing (1), 20.07.2019

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.c4 e6 5.Nf3  
Ne7 6.Nc3 Nd7 7.Nh4 Bg6 8.Nxg6  
Nxg6 9.Bd3 Bb4 10.0–0 Bxc3 11.bxc3  
Nb6 12.c5 Nd7 13.c4 b5 14.cxb6 Nxb6  
15.c5 Nd7 16.Qa4 Qc7 17.Rb1 0–0  
18.Bxg6 fxg6 19.Qa6 Rfb8 20.Bg5  
Rxb1 21.Rxb1 Nb8 22.Qd3 Qa5  
23.Qh3 Qc7 24.Qxe6+ Qf7 25.Qc8+  
Qf8 26.Qe6+ Kh8 27.Be7 Qg8 28.Qd6  
a5 29.Rb7 Na6 30.Rd7 Rb8 31.h3 h6  
32.Rd8 Rxd8 33.Bxd8 a4 34.e6 a3  
35.e7 Kh7 36.Qd7 Nb8 37.Qd6 Na6  
38.Qe5 Nb4 39.e8Q Qxe8 40.Qxe8  
Nxa2 41.Qd7 g5 42.Bf6 Kg6 43.Qxg7+  
Kh5 44.g4+ Kh4 45.Qxh6# 1–0

Natharajan,Naveen (1004) -  
Mathiyazhagan,Mabath (698) [C00]  
French Defense – Unusual Lines

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1300  
Lansing (1), 20.07.2019

1.e4 e6 2.Nf3 d5 3.e5 Bb4 4.c3 Ba5  
5.Be2 c5 6.d4 Qb6 7.dxc5 Qxc5 8.Be3  
Qc7 9.Nbd2 Nc6 10.Bb5 a6 11.Bxc6+  
Qxc6 12.Nb3 Bb6 13.Bxb6 Qxb6  
14.Qd4 Qc7 15.Qc5 Qd8 16.Qd6 Bd7  
17.Nc5 Rc8 18.Nxb7 Qe7 19.Qxa6 Rc7  
20.Nd6+ Kf8 21.Qa8+ Be8 22.Qxe8+  
Qxe8 23.Nxe8 Kxe8 24.a4 Ra7 25.b4  
Ne7 26.b5 Nc8 27.Ke2 Nb6 28.a5 Nc4  
29.a6 Ke7 30.Nd4 Rc8 31.Nc6+ Rxc6  
32.bxc6 Nb6 33.Rhb1 Nc4 34.Rb7+  
Kd8 35.Rxa7 Nxe5 36.c7+ Kc8 37.Rb7  
Nd7 38.a7 Kxb7 39.a8Q+ Kxc7  
40.Ra7+ Kd6 41.Qb7 Nf6 42.Qc7# 1–0

Wang,Benjamin (1218) - Hoyt,Kevin  
(1081) [E20] Nimzo-Indian Defense

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1300  
Lansing (1), 20.07.2019

1.d4 e6 2.c4 Nf6 3.Nc3 c6 4.Nf3 b6  
5.Bg5 Be7 6.e4 0–0 7.Bd3 d6 8.Qc2  
Na6 9.e5 dxe5 10.Nxe5 Qxd4 11.Nxc6  
Qc5 12.Nxe7+ Qxe7 13.a3 Bb7 14.0–0  
Rad8 15.Rfd1 h6 16.Bh4 Rd4 17.Bh7+  
Kh8 18.Rxd4 g5 19.Bg3 e5 20.Re1  
Ng4 21.Rxg4 f6 22.Bf5 Nc5 23.Rd4  
Qc7 24.Nd5 Qc6 25.Rd2 Rd8 26.b4  
Ne6 27.Be4 Nd4 28.Qc3 Qe6 29.Nxf6  
Qxf6 30.Bxb7 e4 31.Qe3 Nf3+ 32.gxf3  
Qxf3 33.Rxd8+ Kh7 34.Bxe4+ Qxe4  
35.Qxe4+ Kg7 36.Red1 Kf6 37.Rf8+  
Kg7 38.Rd7+ Kxf8 39.Bd6+ Kg8  
40.Qh7# 1–0

Booher,Tyler (1123) - Lu,Katelyn  
(948) [C47] Scotch Game

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1300  
Lansing (1), 20.07.2019

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 Bc5 4.d3 h6  
5.Be2 Nf6 6.0–0 d6 7.Be3 Bb4 8.Qd2  
Bg4 9.a3 Ba5 10.b4 Bb6 11.Nh4 Be6  
12.Bxb6 axb6 13.f4 d5 14.f5 Bc8  
15.Nf3 0–0 16.b5 Ne7 17.a4 c6  
18.Qd1 Bd7 19.Nxe5 Be8 20.Ng4  
Nxg4 21.Bxg4 d4 22.Ne2 cxb5  
23.axb5 Rxa1 24.Qxa1 Bxb5 25.Nxd4  
Ba6 26.f6 gxf6 27.Rxf6 Kg7 28.Rf4 f6  
29.Ne6+ 1–0

Swaminathan,Schraavan (1087) -  
Gregg,Theodore (943) [B07] Pirc  
Defense

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1300  
Lansing (1), 20.07.2019

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 c6 4.Bc4 Bg4  
5.Nf3 e6 6.h3 Bh5 7.Bg5 Be7 8.Bf4 0–  
0 9.e5 d5? 10.exf6 Bxf6 11.Be2 Bxf3  
12.Bxf3 Nd7 13.0–0 Qb6 14.Ne2 e5  
15.Be3 exd4 16.Nxd4 Qd8 17.Bg4  
Nb6 18.Be2 Re8 19.c3 g6 20.Qd2 Qc7  
21.Rfe1 Re7 22.Nf3 Rae8 23.Bg5 Qd6  
24.Bd3 Nd7 25.Rxe7 Rxe7 26.Re1 Ne5  
27.Nxe5 Rxe5 28.Bxf6 Qxf6 29.b3  
Qe6 30.Kf1 Rxe1+ 31.Qxe1 Qxe1+  
32.Kxe1 f5 33.Ke2 Kg7 34.Ke3 Kf6  
35.c4 Ke5 36.f4+ Kd6 37.cxd5 c5  
38.h4 b6 39.h5 Kxd5 40.Bc4+ Kd6  
[Black Resigns 1–0]

## Round 2

Schremser,Andrew (2101) -  
Wilkes,Brelen (1911) [C53] Giuoco  
Piano

2019 Bottom Half Class - Open  
Lansing (2), 20.07.2019

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 d6  
5.d4 exd4 6.cxd4 Bb6 7.Nc3 Bg4  
8.Be3 Nf6 9.Bb3 Qe7 10.Qd3 0–0  
11.Nd2 Rhe8 12.0–0 Kb8 13.Nd5 Qd7  
14.Ba4 Bh5 15.Nxb6 axb6 16.d5 Ne5  
17.Qb3 Qe7 18.Bxe8 Rxe8 19.f3 Nfd7  
20.a4 Nc5 21.Bxc5 bxc5 22.a5 f5  
23.exf5 Bf7 24.a6 b6 25.Ne4 Ka7  
26.Nc3 c4 27.Qb4 c5 28.dxc6 Nd3  
29.Qxd6 Qxd6 30.Nb5+ Ka8 31.Nxd6  
Re7 32.Nxf7 Rxf7 33.Rfd1 Rxf5 34.b3  
b5 35.Ra5 Nb2 36.c7 Rc5 37.Rd8+ Ka7  
38.c8Q Kb6 39.b4 Rxc8 40.Rxc8 Nd3  
41.a7 c3 42.a8Q Nxb4 43.Qa7# 1–0

Hahn,David (2100) -  
Garrison,Raymond (2001) [A84]  
Dutch Defense

2019 Bottom Half Class - Open  
Lansing (2), 20.07.2019

1.c4 f5 2.g3 g6 3.Bg2 Bg7 4.d4 Nc6  
5.d5 Ne5 6.Nd2 Nh6 7.Nh3 0–0 8.0–0  
Rb8 9.Qc2 c5 10.a4 b6 11.Nf3 Nhf7  
12.Nxe5 Nxe5 13.d6 exd6 14.Bg5 Qe8  
15.Rad1 Bb7 16.Bxb7 Rxb7 17.Bf4  
Qe6 18.b3 h6 19.Bc1 g5 20.f4 g4  
21.fxg5 gxh3 22.Rxd6 Qxe5 23.Bf4  
Qe7 24.Qd3 ½–½

Chehayeb,Salah (2071) - Noren,Kevin  
(2220) [C44] Ponziani Opening

2019 Bottom Half Class - Open  
Lansing (2), 20.07.2019

1.e4 e5 2.d4 exd4 3.c3 d5 4.exd5  
Qxd5 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.cxd4 Bg4 7.Be2  
Bb4+ 8.Nc3 Bxf3 9.Bxf3 Qc4 10.Bxc6+  
bxc6 11.Qe2+ Qxe2+ 12.Kxe2 0–0–0  
13.Be3 Ne7 14.Rac1 Rhe8 15.Na4 Kd7  
16.Nc5+ Bxc5 17.Rxc5 Rb8 18.b3 Rb6  
19.Rhc1 Nd5 20.Kd2 Ra6 21.Ra1 f5  
22.g3 g6 23.Rc4 Re6 24.Kd3 Rb6  
25.Ra4 a6 26.Rc1 Kc8 27.Kd2 Kb7  
28.Rc5 Rb5 29.Rc1 Nb6 30.Ra3 Rd6  
31.Ke2 Rd8 32.Rc2 Re8 33.Kd2 Rd5  
34.Kd3 Red8 35.b4 Nd7 36.Rac3 Rd6  
37.a4 Nb6 38.Ra3 Nd5 39.Rb2 Ra8  
40.Rab3 Kc8 41.Bd2 Rd8 42.Rc2 Rd6  
43.Rc5 Kb7 44.Rb1 Nb6 45.Ra1 Rad8  
46.Be3 Rd5 47.a5 Nc8 48.Rac1 Rxc5  
49.Rxc5 Rd5 50.Rc1 Rb5 51.Bd2 Nd6  
52.f3 Rd5 53.Re1 Nb5 54.Bc3 Rd7  
55.Re8 Nd6 56.Re1 Kc8 57.Bd2 Nb5  
58.Bc3 Kd8 59.Re6 Rd6 60.Re1 Kd7  
61.Rd1 Re6 62.Bd2 Rd6 63.Be3 Rd5  
64.Rc1 Nd6 65.Bd2 Nc8 66.Kc4 Rb5  
67.Rb1 Ne7 68.Re1 Rb8 69.Rb1 Nd5  
70.Kd3 Re8 71.Rd1 Re6 72.Rb1 Re8

73.Rd1 Rh8 74.Kc4 h5 75.h4 Re8  
76.Kd3 Rb8 77.Rb1 Nf6 78.Rc1 Rb5  
79.Kc4 Ne8 80.Rb1 Nd6+ 81.Kd3 Nb7  
82.Rc1 Rd5 83.Kc4 Nd6+ 84.Kd3 Nb5  
85.Bc3 Rd6 86.Rd1 Re6 87.Bd2 ½–½

Speicher,Andrew (1559) -  
Zylstra,Isaac (1878) [D16] Slav  
Defense

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1900  
Lansing (2), 20.07.2019

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.c4 c6 4.Nc3 dxc4  
5.a4 Nd5 6.e4 Nxc3 7.bxc3 b5 8.Ba3  
Bb7 9.Be2 Nd7 10.0–0 a6 11.Qc2 e6  
12.Bxf8 Nxf8 13.Rfd1 Nd7 14.Rab1  
Nb6 15.a5 Na4 16.d5 cxd5 17.Bxc4  
Qc8 18.Rxb5 dxc4 19.Rxb7 Qxb7  
20.Qxa4+ Qb5 21.Qa3 Rc8 22.Qd6  
Qc6 23.Qb4 Qc5 24.Rd8+ Kxd8?? 0–1

Rutkofske,Lonnie (1800) -  
Schwerin,Nick (1892) [A29] English 4  
Knights

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1900  
Lansing (2), 20.07.2019

1.c4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.d3 g6  
5.g3 Bg7 6.Bg2 0–0 7.0–0 Re8 8.Rb1  
a5 9.Nd2 d6 10.Nde4 Nxe4 11.Nxe4  
h6 12.a3 Bd7 13.Nc3 Qc8 14.Nd5 a4  
15.Bxh6 Bxh6 16.Nf6+ Kf8 17.Nxe8  
Qxe8 18.e3 Na5 19.Qe2 Rb8 20.Rbd1  
Bg7 21.h4 b5 22.c5 dxc5 23.Be4 Nb3  
24.Qf3 Kg8 25.g4 Qc8 26.Bd5 Bxg4  
27.Qxf7+ Kh7 28.f3 Bh5 29.Rf2 Rb6  
30.Be4 Rf6 0–1

Mason,Donald (1819) - Yuan,Daniel  
(1616) [A59] Benko Gambit

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1900  
Lansing (2), 20.07.2019

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 b5 4.cxb5 a6  
5.Nc3 axb5 6.Nxb5 Ba6 7.Nc3 d6 8.e4  
Bxf1 9.Kxf1 g6 10.g3 Bg7 11.Nf3 0–0  
12.Kg2 Nbd7 13.Bd2 Qb6 14.Rb1 Ng4  
15.h3 Nge5 16.Nxe5 Nxe5 17.b3 Nd7  
18.Qe2 Qa6 19.Qxa6 Rxa6 20.a4 Rb8  
21.Rhc1 Bxc3 22.Bxc3 Rab6 23.Ba5  
Rxb3 24.Rxb3 Rxb3 25.Rc3 Rxc3  
26.Bxc3 Kf8 27.f4 Ke8 28.Kf3 Kd8 ½–  
½

Rankin,Henry (1525) -  
Aldrich,Michael (1577) [E61] King's  
Indian Defense

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1700  
Lansing (2), 20.07.2019

1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 g6 3.d4 Bg7 4.Nf3 d6  
5.Bg5 0–0 6.e3 Nbd7 7.Qc2 e5 8.Be2  
Qe8 9.0–0 Nh5 10.Rfd1 f5 11.dxe5  
dxe5 12.Nd5 Qf7 13.Be7 Re8 14.Ba3  
Nb6 15.Ng5 Qd7 16.Nxb6 Qxd1+  
17.Rxd1 axb6 18.c5 bxc5 19.Bc4+ Kh8  
20.Bxc5 Bf6 21.Bf7 Bxg5 22.Bxe8 Be6  
23.Bb5 Rxa2 24.Ba3 Be7 25.Bxe7 Ra7  
26.h3 1–0

Scioly,Tony (1515) - Ren,Jesse (1445)  
[B24] Closed Sicilian

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1700  
Lansing (2), 20.07.2019

1.e4 e5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7  
5.Nge2 Rb8 6.d3 Nf6 7.Bf4 d6 8.Qd2  
0–0 9.Bh6 Re8 10.Bxg7 Kxg7 11.0–0–  
0 Qa5 12.Kb1 Bd7 13.Nc1 b5 14.Nb3  
Qb6 15.Nd5 Nxd5 16.exd5 Nd4  
17.Nxd4 cxd4 18.h4 h5 19.Rde1 e5  
20.dxe6 Rxe6 21.Bd5 Rxe1+ 22.Rxe1  
Re8 23.Rxe8 Bxe8 24.Qf4 Qc5 25.Bb3  
Qe5 26.Qe4 Qxe4 27.dxe4 Bc6 28.f3  
f5 29.exf5 Bxf3 30.fxg6 Kxg6 31.Be6  
Kf6 32.Bd7 Ke5 33.Kc1 a6 34.Kd2 Bd5  
35.b3 Be6 36.Bxe6 Kxe6 37.Kd3 Kd5  
38.a3 a5 39.g4 hxg4 40.h5 Ke5 41.h6  
Kf6 42.Ke4 Kg6 43.h7 Kxh7 44.Kf4 d5  
45.Kxg4 Kg6 46.Kf4 Kf6 47.Kf3 Kf5  
48.Ke2 b4 49.axb4 axb4 50.Kd3 Ke5  
51.Kd2 Ke4 52.Ke2 d3+ 53.cxd3+ Kd4  
54.Kd2 Ke5 55.Ke3 Ke6 56.Kd4 Kd6  
½–½

Keefe,Matthew (1038) - Lu,Katelyn  
(948) [D02] QP Game

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1300  
Lansing (2), 20.07.2019

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.e3 a6 4.a3 Bg4  
5.Nbd2 Nf6 6.h3 Bh5 7.Bd3 e6 8.0–0  
Bd6 9.b3 e5 10.dxe5 Nxe5 11.Be2  
Qd7 12.Bb2 Nxf3+ 13.Nxf3 0–0–0  
14.Ne5 Bxe2 15.Qxe2 Qe6 16.Ng4  
Bc5 17.Nxf6 gxf6 18.Qg4 Be7  
19.Qxe6+ fxe6 20.Rad1 Rhf8 21.f4  
Rfe8 22.g4 Bc5 23.Rfe1 e5 24.b4 Bb6  
25.Kg2 exf4 26.exf4 Rxe1 27.Rxe1 d4  
28.Rd1 c5 29.c3 dxc3 30.Rxd8+ Kxd8  
31.Bxc3 cxb4 32.Bxf6+ Ke8 33.axb4  
Kf7 34.Bc3 Bc7 35.Kf3 b6 36.f5 a5  
37.bxa5 bxa5 38.Ke2 a4 39.Bb4 Be5  
40.Kd2 Bb2 41.Kc2 a3 42.Kb3 Bg7  
43.Bxa3 Kf6 44.Bb2+ Kf7 45.Bxg7  
Kxg7 46.Kc3 Kf6 47.Kd4 Kg5 48.Ke5  
Kh4 49.f6 Kxh3 50.Kf5 Kh4 51.f7 h5  
52.gxh5 Kg3 53.f8Q Kf3 54.h6 Ke3



55.h7 Kd3 56.h8Q Kc4 57.Qd6 Kb5  
58.Qc8 Ka4 59.Qb6 Ka3 60.Qa8# 1-0

**Bharath,Ashrita (901) -  
Mandell,Edward Dr. (1315) [C40]  
Latvian Gambit**

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1300

Lansing (2), 20.07.2019

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 d5 3.exd5 Bd6 4.Nc3  
Nf6 5.d4 e4 6.Ng5 0-0 7.Ngxe4 Nxe4  
8.Nxe4 Re8 9.Bd3 f5 10.0-0 fxe4  
11.Be2 Nd7 12.Bg4 Nf6 13.Bxc8 Rxc8  
14.Bg5 Bxh2+ 15.Kh1 Qxd5 16.Bxf6  
Qd6 17.Bh4 Re6 18.Bg3 Bxg3 19.fxg3  
Rh6+ 20.Kg1 Rd8 21.c3 Qxg3 22.Rf2  
e3 23.Rf3 Qh2+ 24.Kf1 Re8 25.Rxe3  
Rxe3 26.Qb3+ Kf8 27.Qb4+ Qd6  
28.Qxb7 Rh1+ 29.Kf2 Qg3# 0-1

### Round 3

**McCartney,Patrick (2013) -  
Mathiyazhagan,Ashrith (1702) [C02]  
French Defense Advance**

2019 Bottom Half Class - Open

Lansing (3), 20.07.2019

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6  
5.Nf3 Bd7 6.Be2 Bb5 7.0-0 Bxe2  
8.Qxe2 Nc6 9.dxc5 Bxc5 10.b4 Bf8  
11.Be3 Qc7 12.Nbd2 Nge7 13.Bc5  
Ng6 14.Bxf8 Nxf8 15.a3 Ng6 16.c4  
Rd8 17.Rfe1 0-0 18.Rac1 Qb8 19.b5  
Nce7 20.c5 Rc8 21.g3 Qa8 22.Nd4 a6  
23.a4 Rc7 24.N2b3 Rfc8 25.b6 Rd7  
26.c6 Nxc6 27.Nxc6 Rxc6 28.Rxc6  
bxc6 29.Nc5 Re7 30.Qxa6 Qxa6  
31.Nxa6 Rb7 32.a5 Nf8 33.Rc1 Ng6  
34.Rxc6 Ne7 35.Rc7 Rxc7 36.Nxc7  
Nc6 37.a6 d4 38.a7 Nxa7 39.bxa7 g6  
40.a8Q+ Kg7 41.Ne8+ Kh6 42.f4 d3  
43.Nf6 g5 44.Qf8+ Kg6 45.Qg8+ Kh6  
46.Qxh7# 1-0

**Zhang,Henry (2143) - Noren,Kevin  
(2220) [C45] Scotch Game**

2019 Bottom Half Class - Open

Lansing (3), 20.07.2019

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4  
Nf6 5.Nxc6 bxc6 6.e5 Qe7 7.Qe2 Nd5  
8.c4 Nb6 9.Nd2 Qe6 10.b3 a5 11.Bb2  
a4 12.g3 Bb4 13.Bg2 0-0 14.0-0 Ba6  
15.f4 Bc5+ 16.Kh1 f5 17.Qd3 Rad8  
18.Rfe1 Qg6 19.Nf3 Be7 20.Qc2 c5  
21.Rad1 axb3 22.axb3 Bb7 23.Nh4  
Bxg2+ 24.Nxg2 h5 25.Ne3 c6 26.Ra1  
Qe6 27.Ra6 Rb8 28.Rd1 g6 29.Bc3  
Rb7 30.Ba5 Rfb8 31.Bxb6 Rxb6

32.Rxb6 Rxb6 33.Qd3 Rb7 34.Kg2 Ra7  
35.Rd2 Kg7 36.Kf3 ½-½

**Joseph-Benher,Savio (1945) -  
Hahn,David (2100) [B09] Pirc  
Defense:Austrian Attack**

2019 Bottom Half Class - Open

Lansing (3), 20.07.2019

*See Annotators' Workshop-J.Morris p.32*

**Lyn,Ethan (1670) - Mason,Donald  
(1819) [B18] Classical Caro-Kann**

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1900

Lansing (3), 20.07.2019

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4  
Bf5 5.Ng3 Bg6 6.Nf3 Nf6 7.Bc4 e6  
8.0-0 Nbd7 9.Re1 Be7 10.c3 0-0  
11.Bd2 Nb6 12.Bb3 c5 13.Qe2 Re8  
14.Rad1 Qc7 15.Bc1 c4 16.Bc2 Bxc2  
17.Qxc2 Nbd5 18.Ne5 Bd6 19.Qe2 b5  
20.Bd2 Rac8 21.f4 Ne7 22.Nf1 Ng6  
23.g3 Nd7 24.Ne3 Bxe5 25.fxe5 Nb6  
26.Qh5 Nd5 27.Ng4 f5 28.exf6 gxf6  
29.Rf1 f5 30.Nf2 Nf6 31.Qg5 Qg7  
32.Rde1 Nf8 33.Qxg7+ Kxg7 34.Bf4  
h5 35.Be5 Kg6 36.Nh3 Ne4 37.Nf4+  
Kh6 38.Kg2 Rc6 39.h3 Ng6 40.g4 1-0

**McNeilly,Alexander (1470) -  
Zhang,Mulan (1261) [D00] QP Game**

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1500

Lansing (3), 20.07.2019

1.d4 d5 2.Bf4 Nf6 3.e3 e6 4.Nd2 Bd7  
5.Bd3 h6 6.Ng3 c5 7.c3 Nc6 8.Ne5  
Nxe5 9.dxe5 Ng8 10.0-0 Ne7 11.c4  
Nc6 12.Bg3 Be7 13.Qg4 0-0 14.a3  
Rb8 15.f4 b6 16.Rf2 Qc8 17.Bh4 Bxh4  
18.Qxh4 Qd8 19.Qxd8 Rbx8 20.cxd5  
exd5 21.h3 f6 22.exf6 Rxf6 23.e4  
dxe4 24.Nxe4 Rff8 25.Bc4+ Kh7  
26.Kh2 Bf5 27.Ng3 Nd4 28.Nxf5 Nxf5  
29.Re1 Rde8 30.Rfe2 Rxe2 31.Bxe2  
Re8 32.Kg1 Nd6 33.Bd3+ Kg8  
34.Rxe8+ Nxe8 35.Kf2 Kf7 36.Ke3 Ke6  
37.Bc4+ Kf6 38.g4 Nd6 39.Bd3 Ke6  
40.h4 Kd5 41.g5 hxg5 42.fxg5 Nc4+  
43.Bxc4+ Kxc4 1-0

**Krueger,Lukas (1013) - Booher,Tyler  
(1123) [A43] Benoni**

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1300

Lansing (3), 20.07.2019

1.e4 c5 2.d4 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.d5 d6  
5.Bc4 Nf6 6.Nc3 0-0 7.0-0 Nbd7  
8.Bf4 Nh5 9.Be3 Ne5 10.Be2 Nxf3+  
11.Bxf3 Nf6 12.Qd3 Nd7 13.Rad1 Ne5  
14.Qe2 a6 15.g3 b5 16.Bg2 b4 17.Na4

a5 18.c3 Ba6 19.Qc2 Bxf1 20.Rxf1  
bxc3 21.Nxc3 Rb8 22.b3 Ng4 23.Bd2  
Ne5 24.Ne2 Qb6 25.Nf4 Rfc8 26.Bh3  
Rc7 27.Bg2 Qb5 28.a4 Qxb3 29.Qxb3  
Rxb3 30.Bxa5 Ra7 31.Bd8 Kf8 32.Ra1  
Nf3+ 33.Kh1 Bxa1 34.a5 Rb1+ 0-1

**Akselrod,Benjamin (947) -**

**Gregg,Theodore (943) [A95] Classical  
Stonewall Dutch**

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1300

Lansing (3), 20.07.2019

1.d4 f5 2.c4 Nf6 3.Nf3 e6 4.g3 Be7  
5.Bg2 0-0 6.0-0 c6 7.Nc3 d5 8.b3 Ne4  
9.Qc2 Nd7 10.Bf4 Ndf6 11.Ng5 Nxe5  
12.Bxg5 Ne4 13.Bxe7 Qxe7 14.Nxe4  
fxe4 15.f3 exf3 16.Rxf3 Bd7 17.Raf1  
Rxf3 18.Rxf3 Rf8 19.e4 Rxf3 20.Bxf3  
Be8 21.Qe2 Qf6 22.exd5 Qxd4+  
23.Kg2 e5 24.dxc6 Bxc6 25.Bxc6 bxc6  
26.Qf3 Qd2+ 27.Qf2 Qxf2+ 28.Kxf2  
Kf7 29.Ke3 Ke6 30.Ke4 c5 31.a3 a5  
32.h4 g6 33.g4 h6 34.Kf3 g5 35.hxg5  
hxg5 36.Ke4 Kd6 37.Kf5 a4 38.bxa4  
1-0

### Round 4

**McCartney,Patrick (2013) -  
Wilkes,Brelen (1918) [B02]**

**Alekhine's Defense**

2019 Bottom Half Class - Open (4),

21.07.2019

1.e4 e5 2.f4 d6 3.d3 Nc6 4.Nf3 Nf6  
5.g3 Bg4 6.Bg2 Be7 7.Nc3 Qd7 8.h3  
Bxf3 9.Bxf3 h5 10.Be3 exf4 11.gxf4 0-  
0-0 12.Qd2 Nh7 13.0-0-0 g6 14.Nd5  
Nf6 15.Nxe7+ Qxe7 16.Rde1 Qe6  
17.Kb1 Kb8 18.Bf2 Nd7 19.Qc3 Ne7  
20.Qb3 Nc5 21.Qxe6 Nxe6 22.Be3 d5  
23.Rd1 d4 24.Bd2 Rhe8 25.f5 Nc5  
26.fxg6 fxg6 27.Bg5 Ne6 28.Bd2 Nc6  
29.Rdf1 Ne5 30.Be2 Rf8 31.Rhg1 c5  
32.Rxf8 Rxf8 33.Rf1 Rxf1+ 34.Bxf1  
Nf3 35.Bc1 g5 36.c3 g4 37.hxg4 hxg4  
38.Be2 Nh2 39.Bd2 g3 40.Be1 g2  
41.Bg3+ Kc8 42.Bxh2 Ng5 43.Kc2 Kd8  
44.Bg4 dxc3 45.Kxc3 b5 46.Bg1 c4  
47.Bxa7 Kc7 48.Be3 Nf7 49.Bh3 b4+  
50.Kxb4 cxd3 51.Bxg2 1-0

**Noren,Kevin (2202) -**

**Schremser,Andrew (2096) [B31]**

**Sicilian Defense**

2019 Bottom Half Class- Open Lansing  
(4), 21.07.2019

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 g6 4.Bxc6 bxc6 5.0-0 Bg7 6.Re1 Nh6 7.c3 0-0 8.d4 cxd4 9.cxd4 d5 10.e5 f6 11.h3 Bf5 12.Nc3 Nf7 13.exf6 exf6 14.Na4 Nd6 15.Bf4 Ne4 16.Nd2 g5 17.Bh2 Qa5 18.Nf1 Rfd8 19.f3 Nd6 20.Bxd6 Rxd6 21.Nc5 Qc7 22.Rc1 Qf7 23.Rc3 Rb8 24.Rb3 Rdd8 25.Ree3 Bf8 26.Qc1 Bd6 27.Rxb8 Bxb8 28.Rb3 Bf4 29.Qd1 Rb8 30.g3 Rxb3 31.Nxb3 Bd6 32.g4 Bd7 33.Qe1 ½-½

Rutkofske,Lonnie (1804) -

Yuan,Daniel (1616) [A27] English-  
Three Knights

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1900

Lansing (4), 21.07.2019

1.c4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 f5 4.d3 Nf6 5.e3 Bb4 6.a3 Be7 7.Nd5 d6 8.Nxe7 Qxe7 9.Be2 0-0 10.0-0 Kh8 11.b4 a6 12.Bb2 Bd7 13.Nd2 d5 14.Nb3 Rae8 15.Nc5 Bc8 16.Rc1 dxc4 17.Rxc4 Na7 18.Qc1 c6 19.Re1 b6 20.Nb3 Be6 21.Nd2 Bxc4 22.Nxc4 Qc7 23.Bd1 e4 24.d4 Nd7 25.Qa1 c5 26.Bb3 b5 27.dxc5 Nxc5 28.bxc5 bxc4 29.Bxc4 Nb5 30.a4 Na7 31.Bxa6 Re6 32.Be2 Rg6 33.Rc1 Nc6 34.Bc3 Ra8 35.Bd1 Rh6 36.g3 Na5 37.Be5 Qd7 38.Qc3 Kg8 39.Bf4 Rg6 40.Bd6 Qc6 41.Be5 Qd7 42.Bc2 Qa7 43.Qd4 Nc6 44.Qd5+ Qf7 45.Bb3 Qxd5 46.Bxd5+ Kh8 47.Bd6 Rc8 48.Rb1 Nd8 49.a5 h6 50.a6 Rxc5 51.Bxc5 Rxa6 52.Rb8 1-0

Mason,Donald (1811) - Kong,Alex  
(1646) [D02] QP Game

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1900

Lansing (4), 21.07.2019

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 c5 3.dxc5 Nc6 4.Bf4 e6 5.e3 Bxc5 6.Be2 Nf6 7.h3 0-0 8.0-0 Bd7 9.Nbd2 Qe7 10.Ne5 Nxe5 11.Bxe5 Rac8 12.Rc1 b5 13.c3 Ne4 14.Nxe4 dxe4 15.b4 f6 16.Bg3 Kh8 17.bxc5 e5 18.Qd6 Qf7 19.Qa6 Rce8 20.Bxb5 Bxb5 21.Qxb5 f5 22.f4 exf4 23.Bxf4 h6 24.Bd6 Rg8 25.Qb3 Qh5 26.Qd5 Qe2 27.Rce1 Qc2 28.Rxf5 Qxc3 29.Rff1 Qb4 30.Qd4 Qb7 31.Re2 Qa6 32.Ref2 Kh7 33.Rf8 Qxa2 34.Rxe8 Rxe8 35.Be5 a5 36.Qxe4+ Kg8 37.Qd4 Kh7 38.Qd3+ Kh8 39.Qc3 Kh7 40.Ra1 Qd5 41.Bd4 Re6 42.Rxa5 Rg6 43.Qc2 h5 44.Ra6 1-0

Triplett,Thomas (1911) -

Trujillo,Matthew (1822) [D00] QP  
Game

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1900

Lansing (4), 21.07.2019

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bf4 d5 3.Nc3 Bf5 4.e3 e6 5.a3 Bd6 6.Bg3 a6 7.Nf3 c5 8.dxc5 Bxc5 9.Bd3 Bg6 10.0-0 Nc6 11.Bxg6 hxg6 12.Re1 0-0 13.h3 b5 14.Qe2 Re8 15.Ne5 Nxe5 16.Bxe5 Nd7 17.Bg3 Qf6 18.Red1 Nb6 19.Nxb5 axb5 20.Qxb5 Na4 21.Rab1 Bxa3 22.Rd4 Nxb2 23.Rxb2 Bxb2 24.Qxb2 Rec8 25.Qb7 Ra1+ 26.Kh2 Rca8 27.Rf4 R1a7 28.Qb6 Qa1 29.Rb4 Qa2 1-0

Speicher,Alexander (1539) -

Rajesh,Anand (1636) [D38] QGD

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1700

Lansing (4), 21.07.2019

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.c4 e6 4.Nc3 Bb4 5.a3 Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 0-0 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Nbd7 9.cxd5 exd5 10.e3 Re8 11.c4 c6 12.Bd3 Qa5+ 13.Qd2 Qxd2+ 14.Nxd2 g5 15.Bg3 c5 16.Nb3 cxd4 17.Nxd4 Ne5 18.Bxe5 Rxe5 19.Nf3 Re7 20.0-0 dxc4 21.Bxc4 Be6 22.Rac1 Bxc4 23.Rxc4 Ne4 24.Rfc1 Nd6 25.Rc7 Rxc7 26.Rxc7 Rc8 27.Rxc8+ Nxc8 28.h4 f6 29.hxg5 hxg5 30.Nd4 Kf7 31.f4 gxf4 32.exf4 Nd6 33.g4 Nc4 34.Nc2 b5 35.Kf2 Ke6 36.Nd4+ Kd5 37.Nxb5 Ke4 38.g5 ½-½

Rajan,Rajanish (1569) -

Sundeen,David (1600) [D02] QP  
Game

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1700

Lansing (4), 21.07.2019

1.d4 d5 2.Bf4 Nf6 3.e3 e6 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.c3 Bd6 6.Bg3 Bxg3 7.hxg3 Qe7 8.Nbd2 Bd7 9.Ne5 0-0-0 10.Bd3 h6 11.Qc2 Nxe5 12.dxe5 Ng4 13.Nf3 Qc5 14.b4 Qb6 15.a4 a5 16.Rb1 axb4 17.Rxb4 Qa7 18.Rxg4 g5 19.Rb4 Rdf8 20.Qb2 Bc6 21.Nd4 Bd7 22.Nf3 Bc6 23.Bb5 Bxb5 24.Rxb5 c6 25.Rb6 Rd8 26.0-0 Kc7 27.Rb1 Rb8 28.Ne1 Rhd8 29.Nd3 Rd7 30.Nc5 Re7 31.Rxb7+ Rxb7 32.Qxb7+ Qxb7 33.Rxb7+ Kd8 34.Rxe7 Kxe7 35.a5 1-0

Liu,Aaron (972) - Keefe,Matthew  
(1032) [B07] Pirc Defense

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1300

Lansing (4), 21.07.2019

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 c6 4.Nf3 Bg4 5.Be2 Nbd7 6.0-0 e5 7.dxe5 dxe5 8.Bg5 Bb4 9.Qd3 Qc7 10.Nd1 Rd8 11.Qc4 Be7 12.Ne3 Be6 13.Qa4 b5 14.Bxb5 cxb5 15.Qxb5 0-0 16.Rfd1 Rfe8 17.Nf5 Bxf5 18.exf5 h6 0-1

Love,Richard (1049) -

Natharajan,Naveen (1147) [D55]  
QGD

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1300

Lansing (4), 21.07.2019

1.d4 d5 2.c4 Nf6 3.Nc3 e6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.Nf3 0-0 6.e3 b6 7.Rc1 Ne4 8.Bxe7 Qxe7 9.Qc2 Nxc3 10.Qxc3 Ba6 11.Bd3 Nd7 12.0-0 c5 13.cxd5 Bxd3 14.Qxd3 exd5 15.b3 Rac8 16.Nd2 ½-½

## Round 5

Triplett,Thomas (1800) - Zylstra,Isaac  
(1878) [D00] QP Game

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1900

Lansing (5), 21.07.2019

1.d4 d5 2.Bf4 Nf6 3.e3 Bf5 4.c4 Bxb1 5.Rxb1 e6 6.c5 Nbd7 7.Nf3 c6 8.a3 Qa5+ 9.Qd2 Qxd2+ 10.Nxd2 Nh5 11.Bc7 Rc8 12.Ba5 b6 13.cxb6 axb6 14.Bc3 c5 15.Bb5 Bd6 16.Nf3 Nhf6 17.0-0 0-0 18.Rfc1 c4 19.Ra1 Ra8 20.Bb4 Bxb4 21.axb4 Rfc8 22.Kf1 Kf8 23.Ng1 Ke7 24.Ne2 Ne4 25.Ke1 Ndf6 26.f3 Nd6 27.Ba4 Rc7 28.Bc2 Rca7 29.Rxa7+ Rxa7 30.Nc3 h6 31.Kd2 Nfe8 32.g4 Nc7 33.e4 Ndb5 34.Ke3 e5 35.Nxb5 Nxb5 36.dxe5 d4+ 37.Kd2 Ra2 38.Rb1 d3 39.Bxd3 cxd3 40.Kxd3 Nc7 41.Kc4 Ra8 42.Rc1 Rd8 43.Rc2 Rd1 44.Rf2 Ke6 45.f4 Re1 46.Kd4 Nb5+ 47.Kc4 Na7 48.Kd3 Nc6 49.b5 Na7 50.Rc2 Kd7 51.Rd2 Rg1 52.Kc4+ Kc7 53.h3 Rg3 54.Rh2 Re3 55.Kd4 Rb3 56.Kc4 Rxb5 57.b4 Kc6 58.Ra2 Nc8 59.Ra8 Ne7 60.Rd8 1-0

Korenham,Mikhail (1966) -

McCartney,Patrick (2013) [C02]  
French Defense Advance

2019 Bottom Half Class - Open

Lansing (5), 21.07.2019

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Bd3 Nc6 6.Ne2 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.Be3 Qxb2 9.Nd2 Qa3 10.Bc2 Nb4 11.0-0 Nxc2 12.Qxc2 Rc8 13.Qb1 Qa6 14.Ng3 h5 15.Rc1 Ne7 16.h4 Nc6 17.f4 g6 18.Nf3 b6 19.Bd2 Be7 20.Bc3 Na5 21.Bxa5 Rxc1+ 22.Qxc1 Qxa5

23.Ng5 Qa3 24.Qe1 Qb2 25.Nf3 Bb4  
26.Qd1 Qa3 27.Qe2 a6 28.Kh2 Bb5  
29.Qc2 Bc4 30.Ng5 Qc3 31.Qa4+ Bb5  
32.Qd1 Qd2 33.Qg1 Qxf4 34.Nf3 Be7  
35.Rc1 0-0 36.Ng5 Bxg5 37.hxg5 Qh4# 0-1

Jiang,Leyou (1811) - Mason,Donald  
(1811) [B13] Caro-Kann Exchange Var.

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1900 Lansing  
(5), 21.07.2019

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.Nf3 Nc6  
5.c3 Nf6 6.Bd3 e6 7.0-0 Qc7 8.h3 Bd6  
9.Re1 Bd7 10.Bd2 0-0 11.Bg5 e5 12.dxe5  
Nxe5 13.Bxf6 Nxd3 14.Qxd3 gxf6 15.Qd4  
Qb6 16.Qxf6 Bh2+ 0-1

Yuan,Kevin (1717) - Rutkofske,Lonnie  
(1804) [B00] Nimzovich Defense

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1900 Lansing  
(5), 21.07.2019

1.Nc3 b6 2.e4 Bb7 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7  
5.Nge2 d6 6.d4 Nd7 7.0-0 a6 8.a4 e6  
9.Be3 Ngf6 10.h3 0-0 11.Qd2 Re8 12.f4  
Qe7 13.Rae1 Rad8 14.Qc1 Qf8 15.g4 c5  
16.Ng3 Nng4 17.hxg4 cxd4 18.Qd2 dxe3  
19.Rxe3 Bc6 20.b3 b5 21.axb5 axb5  
22.Nce2 e5 23.g5 Qe7 24.Ref3 Rf8 25.f5  
f6 26.gxf6 Rxf6 27.Qg5 h6 28.Qe3 Qe8  
29.fxg6 Rxxg6 30.Nf5 Bf8 31.Nxh6+ Kh7  
32.Nf5 ½-½

Sundeen,David (1600) - Rankin,Henry  
(1532) [C06] French Defense Tarrasch

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1700 Lansing  
(5), 21.07.2019

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5.c3  
c5 6.Bd3 Nc6 7.Ndf3 Qb6 8.Ne2 Be7 9.0-0  
h6 10.Bc2 Nf8 11.Bd3 Bd7 12.b3 cxd4  
13.Nexd4 Ng6 14.Nxc6 Bxc6 15.Bxg6 fxxg6  
16.Qc2 0-0-0 17.Qxxg6 Bd7 18.Nd4 Bc5

19.Be3 Bxd4 20.cxd4 Rdg8 21.Rac1+ Kb8  
22.Rc3 a6 23.Rfc1 Ka7 24.Rc7 Be8 25.Qg4  
Bc6 26.Rxxg7 h5 27.Qg5 Re8 28.h3 a5  
29.Qg6 Ka6 30.Qd3+ Bb5 31.Qd2 Rc8  
32.Rxc8 Rxc8 33.a4 Bc6 34.Qd3+ Ka7  
35.Bd2 Kb8 36.Qc3 Be8 37.Qb2 Bxa4  
38.Bxa5 Qb5 39.Bd2 Bxb3 40.Be3 Qa4  
41.Qe2 Qa1+ 42.Kh2 Bd1 43.Qb5 Qa6  
44.Qd7 Ba4 45.Qf7 Be8 46.Qe7 Ba4  
47.Rg6 Re8 48.Qf7 Qc6 49.g4 hxg4  
50.hxg4 Bc2 51.Rg7 Rh8+ 52.Kg3 Be4  
53.Rg8+ Rxxg8 54.Qxxg8+ Ka7 55.Qf8 Qc3  
56.Qe7 Qe1 57.Qxe6 b5 58.Qe7+ Ka6  
59.Qa3+ Kb6 60.Qb2 Qh1 61.Qb4 Qg2+  
62.Kh4 Qh2+ 63.Kg5 Qh7 64.Qc5+ Ka5  
65.Bd2+ Ka6 66.Qc6+ Ka7 67.Qxb5 Qg6+  
68.Kh4 ½-½

Scioly,Tony (1515) - Samraat,Zagade  
(1610) [C02]French Defense Advance

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1700 Lansing  
(5), 21.07.2019

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3  
Qb6 6.Bd3 Bd7 7.Bc2 cxd4 8.cxd4 Nge7  
9.0-0 Ng6 10.Nc3 Be7 11.a3 a6 12.b4 Qc7  
13.Qd3 Rc8 14.Bd2 Nxb4 15.axb4 Bxb4  
16.Nxd5 exd5 17.Bxb4 Qxc2 18.Qxc2 Rxc2  
19.Rfc1 Rxc1+ 20.Rxc1 Bc6 21.g3 h6  
22.Nd2 Nf8 23.Nb3 Ne6 24.f4 g6 25.Kf2  
Kd7 26.Ke3 Rc8 27.Na5 Bb5 28.Rxc8 Kxc8  
29.Bc5 Nxc5 30.dxc5 Kc7 31.Kd4 Bc4  
32.Nxc4 dxc4 33.Kxc4 Kc6 34.g4 Kd7 35.f5  
Ke7 36.Kb4 ½-½

Burdzinski,Jan (1329) - Thompson,Samuel  
(1399) [B06] Modern Defense

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1500 Lansing  
(5), 21.07.2019

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Be3 b6 4.Nc3 Bb7  
5.Bd3 f5 6.Nf3 fxe4 7.Bxe4 Nc6 8.Qc1 Nf6

9.Bh6 0-0 10.h4 Nxe4 11.Nxe4 Nxd4  
12.Nxd4 Bxe4 13.f3 Bd5 14.Bxxg7 Kxxg7  
15.h5 Rf6 16.hxxg6 hxxg6 17.Qh6+ Kf7  
18.Qh7+ Kf8 19.Qh8+ Bg8 20.Rh7 Rf7  
21.Rxf7+ Kxf7 22.0-0-0 e6 23.Kb1 Qf6  
24.Qh2 d6 25.Nb5 Qe7 26.Qf4+ Kg7  
27.Rh1 a6 28.Qh6+ Kf7 29.Qf4+ Ke8  
30.Nc3 Kd7 31.Ne4 Rf8 32.Qg4 Bf7  
33.Rh7 d5 34.Ng5 Qf6 35.Nxxf7 Rxxf7  
36.Rxf7+ Qxf7 37.Qa4+ Ke7 38.Qxa6 Qh7  
39.Qf1 Qh2 40.Kc1 Qf4+ 41.Kd1 Qd4+  
42.Kc1 Qe3+ 43.Kb1 Kd6 44.f4 c5 45.a3 c4  
46.c3 Kc5 47.Ka2 b5 48.g4 Qg3 49.g5 Qd3  
50.Qe1 Qe4 [Black Wins on time!] 0-1

Krueger,Lukas (1148) - Love,Rich (1099)  
[B21] Sicilian Defense - Morra Gambit

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1300 Lansing  
(5), 21.07.2019

1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.c3 d3 4.Bf4 Nc6 5.Nf3  
d6 6.e5 dxe5 7.Nxe5 Bf5 8.Nxd3 Bxd3  
9.Bxd3 e5 10.Bg3 Nf6 11.0-0 Bd6 12.Re1  
0-0 13.Nd2 Rc8 14.Nc4 Re8 15.Nxd6  
Qxd6 16.Bxxh7+ Kxxh7 17.Qxd6 Ne4 1-0

Mandell,Edward Dr. (1315) -  
Garrett,Jacqueline (1005) [C42]

2019 Bottom Half Class - U1300 Lansing  
(5), 21.07.2019

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nxe5 d6 4.Nd3 Nxe4  
5.Qe2 d5 6.f3 Qe7 7.fxe4 dxe4 8.Nf2 Bf5  
9.Qb5+ c6 10.Qxf5 g6 11.Qxe4 Qxe4+  
12.Nxe4 Bh6 13.Bc4 0-0 14.0-0 Bg7  
15.Nd6 Bd4+ 16.Kh1 Nd7 17.Nxf7 Rxf7  
18.Rxf7 Nc5 19.Rf4+ 1-0

Solutions to Quiz 3 of Palmer's Puzzles			
1. 1.Rxf6	4. 1... Bg4		
2. 1... Bf4	5. 1.Bc5		
3. 1. Qxxg6++	6. 1... Re8		



"When a player, upon system, consumes hours over moves when minutes might suffice and depends, not upon out-manuevering, but out-sitting his antagonist, patience ceases to be a virtue." -Staunton



"The travel chess set was a great idea. 500 miles and not one, 'Are we there yet?'"



ON THE EVE OF HIS EPIC DEFEAT BY "DEEP BLUE," GARRY KASPAROV AWOKED TO AN OMINOUS WARNING.

## Annotators' Workshop



**Chris Eagle** played in tournaments from 1980 to 1996, with many top-10 finishes in the Michigan Open, Motor City Open, and Michigan Masters-Experts. He retired from tournament play with a USCF rating of 2146. Chris' chess highlights include winning the 1995 U.S. Amateur championship, tying for first at the 1991 USCF Region V championship, and beating GM Arthur Bisguier at the 1992 U.S. Open. Chris still follows chess, plays on [chess.com](http://chess.com), and occasionally coaches. To help with annotations, he uses *Chessbase* and *Stockfish*.

**Jarosz, Stanley (1947) -**

**Costanzo, Samuel (1612) [D02] QP Game** 2019 MI Amateur - U2000

Lansing, MI (2), 08.06.2019 [ceagl]

**1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Bf4 c5 4.e3 Nc6 5.c3 Qb6 6.Qb3 c4 7.Qxb6 axb6 8.Na3 Na7** [This is the first of many odd-looking N moves in this game. Black wants to keep the White N out of b5, and the only other way to do it is the even odder-looking 8...Ra5.] **9.Nc2 Nc6 10.a3 Bf5 11.Rc1 h6 12.Ne5?! Na5!** [Now the Black N heads for b3 and White needs to counter it. When the N was on f3, White could defend with Nd2, but now he has nothing better than...] **13.Na1!** [We all know a knight on the rim is grim, but who knew a knight in the corner is a mourner? Actually I just made that up because there's no rhyme for a knight in the corner because knights pretty much never go there. Nonetheless, Na1 is probably the best move, since it's the only way to defend b3.] **13...b5 14.Be2 Rc8 15.g4 Bh7 16.f3 e6 17.h4 Nd7 18.Nxd7 Kxd7 19.g5 hxg5 20.hxg5 Bd6 21.Bxd6 Kxd6 22.Kf2 Bg6** [Black has played well and has a nice edge

here since both of his minor pieces are much better placed than their counterparts. He should aim to open the position with ...e5 or ...f6. White will still have good defensive prospects, but will have to defend carefully.] **23.f4** [White prevents ...e5 so Black's only break is ...f6.]

**23...Be4 24.Bf3 Bxf3? 25.Kxf3** [This sequence was unfortunate. Not only did Black trade off a dominating B for one with little prospects, but the B was keeping the white N hemmed in the corner. The position is equal now.]

**25...Nc6 26.Nc2 Ne7 27.e4!** [With his N finally back in the game, White tries to gain some space himself!]

**27...dxe4+ 28.Kxe4 Ng6 29.Ne3 Rxb1?! 30.Rxb1 Rh8? 31.Rxb8 Nxb8** [And now Black has his own mourner!]

**32.f5!** [White immediately goes about trapping the N.]

**32...b6** [Black has nothing better to do than mark time since 32...exf5+ 33.Nxf5+ loses a pawn and leaves Black in a hopeless endgame.]

**33.d5! Ke7** [33...exd5+ 34.Nxd5 leaves the N completely trapped.]

**34.dxe6** [This wins a pawn but the quickest win was by putting Black in zugzwang with...34.Kf4!! Kd6 once the K leaves e7, White can trap the N with 35.dxe6

fxe6 36.g6 and the Black K can't defend with ...Kf6. White can calmly win a pawn or two with his N and then make a Q. The Black K can't penetrate into White's position and has to shuffle around helplessly.]

**34...fxe6 35.fxe6 Kxe6 36.Nf5 g6 37.Nd4+ Kd6 38.Nxb5+ Kc5 39.Nd4**

[Naturally, in a game with so many crazy N moves, the winning move here is 39.Na7! Kd6 trying to keep the White K from penetrating (after 39...b5 40.Nc8 Nf7 41.Kf4 the Black K can only move to squares where he gets forked with the g-pawn. And if the N moves, Ne7 will win the b-pawn.) 40.Kf4 and now the Black K is overloaded trying to protect the pawns and keep the White K from e5. For instance 40...Kd5 41.Nc8 b5 42.Na7 Kc5 43.Ke5...]

**39...Nf7 40.Nf3 Kd6?** [After 40...b5 the game appears to be drawn. White's N is tied up defending the g-pawn and if the K moves to f4 to free up the N, then

Black shuts the White K out with ...Kd5 and can protect his pawns with his N. The position after 41.Nh4 Nxb5+ 42.Ke3 is also drawn. Even though White will be up a pawn after 43. Nxb6, he has virtually no winning chances with all the pawns on one side of the board.]

**41.Kd4 b5 42.a4! Kc6?** [42...bxa4 43.Kxc4 is still winning for White but the win is still somewhat tricky. For instance

43...Ke6 44.Kb4 Kf5 45.c4 Kf4 and Black gets his own passed pawn.]

**43.Ne5+ Nxe5 44.Kxe5** [...and White is finally clearly winning.]

**44...Kc5 45.Kf6 bxa4 46.Kxb6 a3 47.bxa3 Kb5 48.Kf5 Ka4 49.Ke4 Kxa3 50.Kd4 Kb3 51.g6** [A sufficiently crazy end to the Immortal Knights in the Corner Game.] **1-0**

**Woods, Charisse (1755) -**

**Korenman, Mikhail (1958) [C01]**

**French Defense- Exchange Var.**

2019 MI Amateur - U2000

Lansing, MI (4), 09.06.2019 [ceagl]

**1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 exd5 4.Nf3**

**Nc6** [This is an uncommon move as Black would like to keep the option of ...c5 at some point in order to fight in the center.]

**5.Bb5 Bg4** [This move is really ambitious. Black needs to be careful not to get too far behind on k-side development.]

**6.0-0 Bd6 7.h3 Bh5 8.Nc3** [White should try to open up the game before Black castles. 8. c4 or 8. Re1+ followed by c4 are the best tries to maintain an advantage.]

**8...Nge7 9.Re1 0-0 10.Be3 f5 11.Bxc6 bxc6 12.Bg5 h6 13.Bd2?** [This innocent-looking retreat is actually losing. White needed to play...

[13.Bxe7 Bxe7 14.Qd3 Bxf3 (or the N will sink itself in at e5.) 15.Qxf3 and White has a tiny edge with the open file and slightly better pawn structure.]

**13...Ng6 14.Qe2 Qf6?!** [Black sees he can win the d-pawn but 14...Nh4 is the winning idea. 15.Qe6+ Kh8 and now White's K can't get safe.

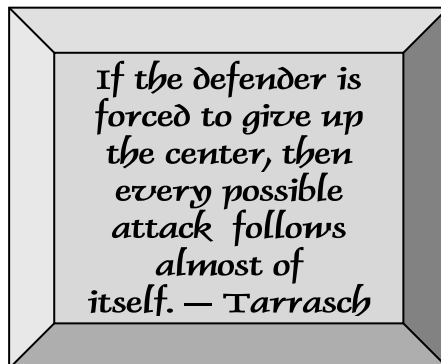
16.Ne5 (16.Nxb4 Qxb4 and Black will win the d-pawn and keep a strong attack. 17.Be3 f4 18.Bd2 f3) 16...Rf6!

17.Qd7 (17.Nxc6 Qf8! 18.Qd7 Rg6) 17...Qxd7 18.Nxd7 Rg6 and the dual threats of Rxb2 and Nf3+ are



winning.] 15.Qd3 Bxf3 16.Qxf3 Qxd4 17.Rad1 Qf6 18.Ne2 f4 19.Bc3 [Black is still better, but White has gained some compensation for the pawn by getting his pieces on good squares.] 19...Qg5 20.Nd4 Ne5 21.Rxe5! Qxe5 [21...Bxe5 is preferred, even though 22.Ne6 regains the exchange and leaves White with good positional compensation for the pawn.] 22.Re1! [The queen only has two safe squares, neither of which are much fun - one allows a fork of the Q and R and the other leaves the queen subject to a discovery by the B.] 22...Qg5 23.Ne6 Qg6 24.Nxf8 [This move wins back the exchange but leaves Black in a safe position with an extra pawn...24.Nxg7 is interesting and probably better. White is down a full exchange but his pieces are all perfectly placed and working well together and Black will almost surely have to give back more material. For instance 24...Qxc2 (24...Rf7 25.Re6 Qh7 26.Qg4 Rxg7 27.Bxg7 Qxg7 28.Rg6) 25.Qg4 Kh7 26.Nf5! Rg8 27.Qh5 Rg6 28.Nxh6 and the N can't be taken because Qf7+ mates.] 24...Rxf8 25.Bd4?! Qxc2! [This pawn looks like it should be poison, but Black decides he can defend against White's attack.] 26.Qg4 Rf7 27.Bc3 [There's no way to immediately increase the attack but White's pieces are aggressively placed and Black has to be on guard.] 27...Qf5 28.Re8+ Kh7 29.Qd1 f3 30.g4 Qg6 [Any other move loses: 30...Qf4 31.Qd3+ g6 32.Rh8#] 31.Qe1 h5 32.Re6 Qg5 33.Qb1+ Kg8 34.Re8+ Bf8 35.Re5 Qf4 36.Rxh5 Bd6 [White's attack doesn't quite get there as the Black K can slip away and the White K is getting mated.] 37.Qh7+ Kf8 38.Bxg7+! [White continues to give Black chances to go wrong.] 38...Ke7 [38...Rxg7 39.Rf5+ and it's White who's winning!] 39.Bf8+ Ke8 [39...Kxf8 was ok, too, but Black takes the safe route. Now there's no way for White to prevent mate without giving up the Q.] 40.Qxf7+ [40.Bxd6 Qc1+ 41.Kh2 Rxh7.] 40...Qxf7 [the dust finally settles and Black mops up a hard fought win.] 41.Bxd6 cxd6 42.Rf5 Qh7 43.Kh2 d4 44.Rxf3 d3 45.Re3+ Kf7 46.Rf3+ Ke6 47.g5 d2

48.Rf6+ Kd5 49.g6 Qg7 50.Rf7 Qxg6 51.Rxa7 d1Q 52.Ra5+ c5 53.b4 Qdg1# 0-1



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Noren, Kevin (2220) -

Korenman, Mikhail (1975) [C07]

2019 Bottom Half Class - Open

Lansing (1), 20.07.2019 [J.Morris]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 c5 4.exd5 Qxd5 5.Ng3 cxd4 6.Bc4 Qh5 [We have reached a known position in the Tarrasch French, but black's results with this move are not convincing. 6. ... Qd6 is more common.] 7.0-0 e5 [A serious waste of tempo since protection of the d-pawn is illusory. White sees the tactical refutation.] 8.Nxe5 Qxd1 [8. ... Qxe5 is met with 9. Re1. White's capture on e5 forces the queen exchange (due to the threat to f7), thereby removing a huge source of any black counterplay.] 9.Rxd1 Nh6 10.Ndf3 f6 11.Bb5+ Nd7 12.Nxd7 Bxd7 13.Bxd7+ Kxd7 14.Bxh6 gxh6 15.Rxd4+ [With a healthy extra pawn, active rooks, exposed black king, and

a shattered black pawn structure, white is clearly winning.] 15...Kc7 16.Rad1 Bc5 17.Rd7+ Kc6 18.Kf1 Rae8 19.Rf7 Re6 20.Rdd7 Rhe8 21.Rc7+ Kd5 [21. ... Rd6 would have prolonged the game, but not swayed the final result. Now black loses more material.] 22.Rfd7+ Kc4 23.b3+ Kb4 24.a3+ Kb5 25.c4+ [An object lesson in what happens when development and king safety is neglected in the opening. 1-0

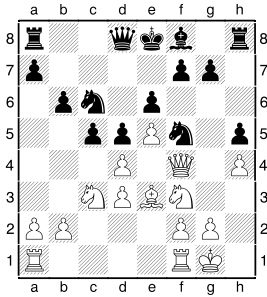
Schremser, Andres (2101) – Joseph-Benher, Savio (1945) [C16]

2019 Bottom Half Class - Open

Lansing (1), 20.07.2019 [J.Morris]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e5 b6 [This is the French Defense - Winawer Advanced variation. Black is willing to part with his dark-square bishop in exchange for giving white weak pawns on a3, c2 and c3 and possibly d4 after a timely c7-c5 and cxd4. With b6, black aims to exchange white's light-square bishop. This can leave white with an inferior dark-square bishop which is not in harmony with white's central structure.] 5.Qg4 [White does not force the issue with 5. a3 and instead strikes out at g7.] 5...Bf8 [5. ... Kf8!? is more in the spirit of the variation.] 6.Nf3 [A strong alternative was 6. Bg5. An example of white's attack is Hjartarson-Vaganian, 1991, which continued 6. ... Qd7 7.0-0-0 Ne7 8.Bxe7 h5 9.Qh3 Bxe7 10.f4 Bb7 11.Nf3 Nc6 12.Ng5 g6 13.Be2 Na5 14.Kb1 a6 15.g4 h4 16.Rhf1 b5 17.Bd3 Nc4 18.Ne2 Qc6 19.Ka1 a5 20.Nxf7 Kxf7 21.f5 gxf5 22.gxf5 Rag8 23.Nf4 Rh6 24.Rg1 Rgh8 25.f6 Bxf6 26.exf6 Rxf6 27.Ng6 Rg8 28.Qxh4 1-0.] 6...Ne7 7.Bd3 Ba6 8.h4?! [Putting another pawn on black squares.] 8...Bxd3 9.cxd3 h5! [Freezing white's advance on the h-file. Now, white's h-pawn will require protection after Be7, and this will necessitate playing g3 -- yet another pawn on dark squares to frustrate white's QB.] 10.Qf4 Nf5 11.0-0 [The Nf5 is very strong, and white might consider exchanging it with the maneuver 11. Ne2 and 12. Ng3. 11. Ne2 would also protect d4 and vacate

the c-file for later counterplay.] **11...c5**  
**12.Be3 Nc6**



[12. .. g6 with the nasty idea of 13 .. Bh6 was an alternative.] **13.Ne2 cxd4**?! [Having created the tension with c5 black should now keep it and play 13. .. g6 with 14. .. Bh6 in reserve.] **14.Bxd4 Be7 15.g3 0-0 16.Rac1?** [A mistake which drops a pawn with no compensation.] **16...Nb4 17.Qd2 Nxa2 18.Ra1 Nb4 19.Bc3 Nc6 20.d4?!** [Having endured so much to free his QB, white entombs it again. 20. Ned4 is best.] **20...a5 21.Nf4** [Forcing black to play a move he wanted to play anyway. Now, unless white is intending to sacrifice on g6 or e6 -- which won't work since he doesn't have sufficient numbers or coordination -- the knight really has no point on f4.] **21...g6 22.Nd3** [But at least at f4 white could threaten Nxc6 or Nxe6. Here on d3, the knight has no forward moves.] **22...b5** [The engines like 22. .. a4!, but the move played is not bad.] **23. b3 b4!** [A good move taking away more space from white. Now his pieces get tied in a knot.] **23.b3 b4 24.Bb2 Qb6 25.Nde1** [Marginally better was 25. Rfc1 hoping for 25 .. Ncxd4?? 26. Nxd4 Nxd4 27. Qe3! winning.] **25...Rfe8** [Black could have taken advantage of the disconnection of black's rooks to play 25. .. a4! 26. Rxa4 Rxa4 27. bxa4 Ra8 28. Nd3 Rxa4 with a clearly winning position.] **26.Nc2 Bf8 27.Rfd1 Qb5 28.Ra4 Nb8 29.Kg2 Nd7 30.Ng5 Nb6 31.Raa1 a4 32.bxa4?** [Opening queenside lines only helps black mobilize. Better was 32. Ne3.] **32...Nxa4** [33. .. Rxa4 saving the knight for invading c4 was better. Black's position is so good that he can afford the loss of tempo.] **33.Rab1 Nb6 34.Ne3 Nc4 35.Nxc4?!** **dxc4** [Giving

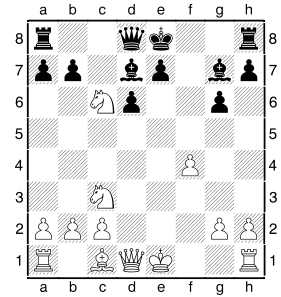
black connected passers is no way to salvation. White's counter-attack comes too little, too late.]

**36.Qf4 c3 37.d5 c2 38.dxe6 fxe6 39.Ne4 cxb1Q 40.Nf6+ Kf7 41.Rxb1 Qd3 42.Re1 Rec8 43.Ne4 Bh6 44.Ng5+ Ke7** [White resigned rather than continue with 45. Qxb4+, but black is completely winning in any case.] **0-1**

**Joseph-Benher,Savio (1945) - Hahn,David (2100) [B09]**

2019 Bottom Half Class - Open Lansing (3), 20.07.2019 [J.Morris]  
**1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 d6 4.f4 Nf6 5.Nf3 c5** [Here we have a main line of the Pirc Defense -- Austrian Attack variation. Black elects to strike at d4 before castling, but this gives white options to head for a queenless middle game with a slight pull. For example, white could continue 6. dxc5 Qa5 7.Qd3 Qxc5 8.Be3 Qa5 9.Qb5+ Qxb5 10.Bxb5+ Nc6 11.O-O-O O-O +=. If instead, 5. .. 0-0, white could try the ultra-aggressive line popularized by GM Nakamura. Nakamura - Smirnin, 2005, continued 6. e5 Nfd7 7. h4 c5 8. h5 cxd4 9. hxg6 dxc3 10. gxf7+ Rxf7 11. Bc4 Nf8 12. Ng5 e6 13. Nxf7 cxb2 14. Bxb2 Qa5+ 15. Kf1 Kxf7 16. Qh5+ Kg8 17. Bd3 Qb4 18. Rb1 Bd7 19. c4 Qd2 20. Bxh7+ Nxb7 21. Qxh7+ Kf8 22. Rh4! (No defense to Rg4) 1-0. Simple and solid is the Fischer favorite 6. Bd3.] **6.e5** [This sharp thrust leads to unclear positions. For a long time, 6. Bb5+ was the way to seek complications. Sax - Seirawan, 1988 was drawn after 6. Bb5+ Bd7 7. e5 Ng4 8. e6 fxe6 9. Ng5 Bxb5 10. Nxe6 Bxd4! 11. Nxd8 (11. Nxb5 is the try for more.) Bf2+ 12. Kd2 Be3+ 1/2-1/2] **6...Nfd7 7.Bc4?!** [White has over-extended his center and cannot maintain it. An alternative was to bail out with 7.dxc5 dxe5 8.fxe5 Nc6 9.e6 fxe6 with compensation for the pawn.] **7...cxd4 8.Bxf7+ Kxf7 9.e6+ Ke8** [Black must give the piece back since accepting the pawn with 9. .. Kxe6?? leads to checkmate after 10. Ng5+] **10.exd7+ Bxd7 11.Nxd4 Nc6** [Black also had 11. .. Qb6. Stockfish gives black a slight plus here, but white has

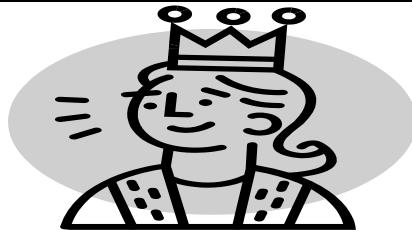
great practical chances due to black's crippled king.] **12.Nxc6**



[12. Nf3 was also good, keeping pieces for an attack.] **12...bxc6 13.0-0 Qb6+ 14.Kh1 Kd8?!** [14. .. Rf8 was indicated. Black won't feel safe at d8.] **15.Qf3** [This move is OK, but 15. Bd2 would have put white on equal footing again. Black's advantage is dwindling.] **15...Rf8 16.Qg3** [16.Re1 Kc7 17.Rb1 Rae8 18.Ne4 d5 19.Ng5 with the idea of 20. Ne6+ breaking up black's bishop pair was an idea.] **16...Bf5 17.b3 h5 18.Bb2 h4?** [Black may have thought he was getting compensation on the h-file, but this is just pitching a good pawn.] **19.Qxh4 Bf6 20.Qg3 Qa5 21.Na4 Bxc2 22.Bxf6 Rxf6 23.Rac1 Qf5** [Better was simply 23. .. Bf5. Now white is dangerously close to +2.0.] **24.Rf2?!** [This actually hampers white's coordination. Better was 24. Re1. For example, 24. Rfe1 Be4 25. Nc3 Re6 26. Qh4 with ideas of 27. Qh8+ or taking twice on e4 followed by Re1.] **24...Be4 25.Nc3 Kd7 26.Re2 Bd5 27.Nxd5 Qxd5 28.Rce1 Re8** [White is finally coordinating and black's rook is bit passive on e8. At least black would have some play after 28...e6 29.h3 Raf8.] **29.Qe3 c5** [Not giving any ground was 29. .. Qa5. The move played has a small tactical flaw...] **30.Qh3+?** [...which white misses! 30. b4! would have ripped into black's fortress since cxb4 is suicide.] **30...Qf5?!** [Giving white a chance to redeem himself.] **31.Qf3 d5??** [Perhaps constantly having to defend wore black down.] **32.Re5** [Fatal material loss cannot be avoided now.] **1-0**

No chess player sleeps well!  
 - H. G. Wells

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November 9, 2019

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Entry	<b>\$22</b> Advance by 11/4/2019 All mailed entries must be postmarked by 11/1/2019 Online registration: <a href="http://www.onlineregistration.cc">http://www.onlineregistration.cc</a> (Preferred Method) If an invoice is needed for school payment, please contact the TD by 10/29/2018 to allow time for processing.		<b>\$40</b> Advance by 11/7/2019 at 8pm <b>NO ON-SITE REGISTRATION FOR ALL SECTIONS.</b>	
Memb	<b>Michigan Chess Association and USCF Memberships Required</b>			<b>MCA only</b>
Awards	Top 7 Individuals Overall + any with 4 points Top 7 Clubs (top 4 individual scores from each club are used)	Top 7 Individuals Overall + any with 4 points Top 7 Clubs (top 4 individual scores from each club are used)	Top 7 Individuals Overall + any with 4 points Top 7 Clubs (top 4 individual scores from each club are used)	Top 7 Individuals Overall + any with 4 points Top 7 Clubs (top 4 individual scores from each club are used)
<b>NO GROUP FOOD or COOLERS!!! Concessions available on-site at the North Point Cafe</b>				

## Parking in Downtown Lansing

The City of Lansing Parking Services Office manages all parking in downtown Lansing. Several convenient parking facilities and meters are located within walking distance of Lansing Center.

## Lansing Center Parking

Parking lots under and north of Lansing Center are open 24 hours a day. Fees are charged from 5 a.m. to 11 p.m., Monday through Sunday. Cash and credit cards are accepted at the entrances and exits. Pay-on-foot machines are also available in the lobby of Lansing Center and the parking level of the building. The pay-on-foot machines may be used to pay for parking in the lots located north and under Lansing Center. Pay-on-foot machines will accept cash, coupons or credit card payments. Hours: 24 hours Rate: \$7 flat fee, per space, per entry, per day. Cash & Credit Cards: Accepted at entrance or exit.

## Permit Parking

A 24 hour permit parking lot is adjacent to Lansing Center. The lot is available to the public after 6pm on Monday to Friday and all day on weekends (Saturday to Sunday). Hours: 24 hours Rate: \$6 Flat Fee Cash & Credit Cards: Accepted

## North Grand Parking

The North Grand parking ramp is a 24 hour parking facility is adjacent to the Radisson Hotel. Fees are charged 8am -11pm (Monday to Friday) and all day on weekends. Access to connecting the ramp to Lansing Center is available on the third level. Hours: 24 hours Rate: \$1 per half hour/\$10 Daily Maximum | \$7 Flat Fee per entry per day on Saturday - Sunday Cash & Credit Cards: Accepted

## South Grand Parking

Privately owned and operated. Call 517.708.3800 for more information.

## Additional Parking Options

Please call the Parking Services office 517.483.4240 or e-mail the Parking Services office at [parking@lansingmi.gov](mailto:parking@lansingmi.gov) to make parking arrangements for your event. Visit [Lansing.org/map-it](http://Lansing.org/map-it) for additional parking information, including maps and construction updates.



# 2019 MICHIGAN ACTION CHAMPIONSHIP

## Ann Arbor, December 7, 2019

<b>SITE:</b>	Pierpont Commons East Room 2101 Bonisteel Blvd, Ann Arbor, MI 48109
<b>DIRECTIONS:</b>	University of Michigan North Campus  <b>Parking Info</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DO NOT PARK IN ANY SPACES MARKED GOLD SPACES.</li> <li>• Lot North of Arthur Miller Theatre (Next to Pierpont Commons): Metered Parking enforced on Saturdays until 7:00pm.</li> <li>• Lot South of College of Architecture (Entrance off Fuller Rd) is generally not enforced on Saturdays.</li> </ul>
<b>FORMAT</b>	6-SS; 2 Sections, Open & Booster (U1200) Up to 2 Half-Point Byes in rounds 1-5. USCF & MCA required.
<b>ENTRY FEE:</b>	Open \$35 by 12/5, Booster \$25 by 12/5, Add \$10 After Under Age 18, Subtract \$5 Free Entry to USCF 2200+ (\$35 EF deducted from prize). Withdrawals of advanced registered players must be received by 10am to receive refund. Processing fee of \$2 applied to all refunds.
<b>ADVANCE REGISTRATION:</b>	Online Registration Preferred: <a href="https://www.onlineregistration.cc/">https://www.onlineregistration.cc/</a> Jeff Aldrich, P.O. Box 40, Flint, MI 48501; <a href="mailto:jeffchess64@gmail.com">jeffchess64@gmail.com</a> ; 810-955-7271 Make Checks payable to <b>Michigan Chess Association</b>
<b>ON-SITE REGISTRATION:</b>	9:30-10:15am
<b>ROUNDS:</b>	10:30am - 12:00pm - 2:00pm - 3:30pm - 5:00pm – 6:30pm
<b>TIME CONTROL:</b>	G/30;d5
<b>PRIZES</b>	<b>OPEN:</b> 1st \$250 plus trophy, 2nd \$180, 3rd \$120 (Unrated only eligible for top prizes) Top U2000, U1800, U1600, U1400: \$100 each  <b>BOOSTER:</b> Trophies to Top 5, Trophies to Top 2 each: U1000, U800, U600, U400 Plus Top Unrated

# 2020 MICHIGAN MASTER/EXPERT & CLASS CHAMPIONSHIPS

## FOR EIGHT STATE CHAMPION CLASS TITLES!

**Lansing, January 11-12, 2020**

*NOTE: Players are not allowed to have cell phones on their person during their games.*

<b>SITE:</b>	Radisson Hotel Lansing, 111 N. Grand Avenue (near the State Capitol in Downtown Lansing), (517) 482-0188
<b>DIRECTIONS:</b>	<b>From East:</b> I-496 to Grand Ave (Exit 7A), Right on Grand Ave. <b>From West:</b> I-496 to Pine/Walnut Streets (Exit 6), Left on Grand Ave.
<b>ROOM RATE</b>	\$112.95 + tax by January 2, 2020, after if space available. <a href="http://www.radisson.com/lansingmi">www.radisson.com/lansingmi</a> - Promotion Code: CHES20 <i>Let us know if you are staying at the hotel for the tournament.</i>
<b>8 SECTIONS:</b>	Master/Expert (FIDE Rated), A, B, C, D, E (U1200) Novice (Sat only): U1000/Unrated One Half-Point Bye, Rounds 1-4. Must request by start of Round 3.
<b>MEMBERSHIPS:</b>	Must be a member of the US Chess Federation & Michigan Chess Association. (Members of other state associations OK)
<b>CLASS ELIGIBILITY:</b>	The most recent USCF rating supplement will be used for determining ratings. Players must play in the class in which their rating indicates. Unrated players must play in the Novice section. Players may request to play up in class (or unrated players may request being seeded into a class) if their recent tournament history shows achievement into that class. The tournament director must approve all requests and will assign a rating to the player within the rating window of that class.
<b>ADVANCE ENTRY FEES:</b>	<b>M/X:</b> \$45 (U18 \$5 off), Free entry to GM, IM, FM, & 2200+, adv entry fee deducted from prize. <b>A, B, C, D, E:</b> \$42 (U18 \$5 off), <b>Novice:</b> \$25; Advance entries must be paid by January 9. For entry fees paid after January 9, add \$10 more.
<b>ADVANCE REGISTRATION:</b>	Online: <a href="https://onlineregistration.cc/">https://onlineregistration.cc/</a> Jeff Aldrich (TD), P.O. Box 40, Flint MI 48501; Make Checks Payable to <b>MCA</b> . <a href="mailto:jeffchess64@gmail.com">jeffchess64@gmail.com</a> ; (810) 955-7271
<b>ON-SITE REGISTRATION:</b>	Saturday: 8:30-9:30am
<b>ROUNDS:</b>	<b>M/X, Class Sections:</b> Sat 10am, 2:30pm, 7 pm; Sun 10am, 2:30pm <b>Novice:</b> 10am, 11:30am, 1:30pm, 3pm, 4:30pm
<b>TIME CONTROL:</b>	<b>M/X, Class Sections:</b> G/115;d5 <b>Novice:</b> G/30;d5

### \$2850 GUARANTEED PRIZE FUND

**Master/Expert (GPP 10):** 1<sup>st</sup> \$300, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$200; **Expert:** \$230 **U2100:** \$120  
**Class A, B, C, D, E:** 1<sup>st</sup> \$180, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$120; **U1900/U1700/U1500/U1300/U1100:** \$100  
**Novice:** Trophies to all with 4 points or more as Top Overall  
Top U900, Top U800, Top U700, Top U600, Top U500, Top U400, Top U300, Top Unrated.  
State Champions (Top Michigan Resident): Master/Expert, Expert, and Each Class plus Novice.  
Trophies for all place-winners listed above.

## MICHIGAN CHESS CLUBS

For club updates or new club listings, please contact Samantha Shaffer at [shaffer1022@gmail.com](mailto:shaffer1022@gmail.com). Club information must be confirmed yearly to remain active on the MCA Club listing page. Clubs will also be listed on the MCA website ([www.michess.org](http://www.michess.org))

### **Cultivate Chess Club – Wed: 6:00-11:00pm;**

Bring clocks for Blitz; Cultivate Coffee and Tap House; 307 N. River St., Ypsilanti, MI 48198. Justin Meek, 734-619-9433; [justinmeek81@gmail.com](mailto:justinmeek81@gmail.com)

### **Dearborn, Ford Chess Club – Tue: 5:00-9:00pm;**

Ford Motor Co World Headquarters Cafe, 1 American Road, Dearborn MI 48126; North Entrance (far rear of building opposite Michigan Ave), Westbound side of Michigan Ave, just East of Southfield Fwy; Sign in at Security Desk upon entry. After 6pm doors locked so use phone located on left wall to gain entrance or call (313) 323-1133 or (313) 407-1989. ALL ARE WELCOME, no cost/fees! Contact: Norm Haygood (248) 366-0954 (H) or (313) 407-1989 (C); [nhaygoodjr@aol.com](mailto:nhaygoodjr@aol.com) or Larry Castleberry (313) 549-5259 - [lcastleb@ford.com](mailto:lcastleb@ford.com)

### **Detroit City Chess Club – Fri: 4:00-8:00pm;**

Detroit Institute of Arts (DIA), 5200 Woodward Ave., Detroit, MI 48202; e-mail: [detroitchess@gmail.com](mailto:detroitchess@gmail.com) Phone: 888-888-8141 <http://www.detroitchessclub.com>

### **Flint Chess Academy - 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sat: 3:00-5:30pm;**

Flint Public Library, 1026 E. Kearsley St, Flint, MI 48502; Check the Library website calendar to confirm dates: <http://www.fpl.info/>; Eric Earnest, 810-210-0517 / 810-965-6794; e-mail: [ericearnest@yahoo.com](mailto:ericearnest@yahoo.com)

### **Flint, Genesee County Chess Club – Tue: 6:30-9:30pm;**

Eastside Senior Citizens Center Activity Room, 3065 N. Genesee Rd; Flint, MI 48506; Jeff Aldrich (810) 955-7271, e-mail: [jeffchess64@gmail.com](mailto:jeffchess64@gmail.com)

### **Grand Rapids Chess Club** <http://www.grandrapidschess.com>

**Grosse Pointe Chess Club – Tue: 7:30-10:00pm;** Downtown Borders, 17141 Kercheval St, North of Cadieux; Tim Kuhn (313) 884-0118 e-mail: [timkuhn@yahoo.com](mailto:timkuhn@yahoo.com)

### **Jackson Chess Club – Thu: 7:00-12:00pm;**

Cottage Inn Pizza, 1208 W Michigan Ave, Jackson MI 49202; James Stockham email: [jimio73@comcast.net](mailto:jimio73@comcast.net); 517-395-4704

### **Knights of the Square Table – Fri: 7:00-10:00 pm;**

Rough Draft/Hillsdale, MI , 42 Union St., Hillsdale, MI 49242; (To stay updated, join our public chess group on Facebook, Knights of the Square Table.) ;Hannah Stewart, (269)-275-9527, email: [hrstewart16@gmail.com](mailto:hrstewart16@gmail.com)

### **Lansing Chess Club – Wed: 6:00-10:00pm;**

Room #312, 422 North Washington Square, Lansing MI 48933; Tony Nichols e-mail: [sensie48910@yahoo.com](mailto:sensie48910@yahoo.com); 517-763-6756

### **Linden Chess Club – Tues: 5:45-8:30 pm;**

Linde Faith Recreational Rm.4518 Silver Lk Rd., Linden, MI 48451; Gus Samaniego [oc203998@gmail.com](mailto:oc203998@gmail.com); 810-923-3847 Website: [www.facebook.com/LindenChessClub/](http://www.facebook.com/LindenChessClub/)

### **Livingston County Chess Club – Mon: 6:00-9:00pm;**

Hartland Senior Center, 9525 E. Highland Rd (M-59), Howell, MI 48843, ¼-mile west of US-23; Mike Nikitin 810-599-6770; Website: <http://www.livingstoncountychessclub.blogspot.com/>  
Email: [livingstoncountychessclub@hotmail.com](mailto:livingstoncountychessclub@hotmail.com)

### **Novi Chess Club – Thu: 6:30-8:00pm;**

Novi Public Library, 45255 W 10 Mile Rd. Novi, MI 48375 -1<sup>st</sup> floor kids activity rm. – Bring boards & pieces; Sundar Rajan; [chess.novi@gmail.com](mailto:chess.novi@gmail.com)

### **Plymouth Library Chess Club - 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thu: 3:30 -5:30pm.;**

Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main St., Plymouth, MI 48170. Casual games and light refreshments served; Tim Sherman : email: [tsherman@plymouthlibrary.org](mailto:tsherman@plymouthlibrary.org); Phone: 734-453-0750. Website: [plymouthlibrary.org](http://plymouthlibrary.org)

**Port Huron Chess Club – Thu: 6:30-10:00pm;** (except holidays); Palmer Park Recreation Center, 2829 Armour St, Port Huron, 48460; Lon Rutkofske (810) 388-9219 e-mail: [ishking@aol.com](mailto:ishking@aol.com); Website: <http://porthuronchessclub.yolasite.com>

**Sault Ste. Marie, Sugar Island Chess Club – Thu: 7:00pm;** Hilltop Bar - 5389 E 1 1/2 Mile Road, Sugar Island; Glen Schmiede (906) 635-5791, e-mail: [gschmiede@nodinwifi.com](mailto:gschmiede@nodinwifi.com)

**South Bend Chess Club (IN) – Thu: 7:00-10:00pm;** Meijer Store, 5020 Grape Rd, Mishawaka, IN - 4 Miles south of State line. Grape Rd 1/4 Mile South of Douglas Rd. Roger Blaine (574) 257-9033; e-mail: [reblaine@hotmail.com](mailto:reblaine@hotmail.com)

**South Bend, Chicory Cafe Chess Club (IN.) - Mon: 6:00-9:00pm;** Chicory Cafe, 105 E. Jefferson Blvd. at Michigan St., South Bend IN. Contact Roger Blaine, (574) 257-9033, e-mail: [zotshot@hotmail.com](mailto:zotshot@hotmail.com)

### **South Haven Chess Club – Tues: 5:00-10:30pm;**

Burger King, 752 Lagrange, South Haven, MI 49090 (On Broadway US 43...south of downtown) Contact: David Carlson, (269)-637-1003; email: [dhcaow@gmail.com](mailto:dhcaow@gmail.com)

### **Spencer Street Chess Club – Most Tues: 6:30-9:00pm;**

214 Spencer St. NE, Grand Rapids, MI; (We are a thriving chess club offering casual or rated play with players of all strengths.) Contact: Michael Brooks – [michaelforwinterpromise@gmail.com](mailto:michaelforwinterpromise@gmail.com) or [www.facebook.com/spencerstchess](http://www.facebook.com/spencerstchess)

### **St. Clair Chess Club – Sat: 10am.- 4:00pm;**

St. Clair Burger King - 205 Clinton Ave. – Tom Broyles 810-326-0121 ; e-mail: [tjbroyles@aol.com](mailto:tjbroyles@aol.com) ( All but major holidays/weekends.)

### **Steeplechess Knights – Fridays: 3-4:30 pm;**

Tamarack District Library - 832 S. Lincoln Ave., Lakeview, MI 48850; Beginner chess lessons and mentoring available, K-12 scholastic tournaments; Everyone Welcome; Contact: Bethany Wheeler, (231)-354-6613, email: [mrspatrickwheeler@gmail.com](mailto:mrspatrickwheeler@gmail.com)

### **Troy Youth All-Star Chess Club - Sat: 3:00-5:00pm;**

Troy Community Center -3179 Livernois Rd, Troy, MI 48083. The club is open to any K-12 students who are interested in improving his/her chess skills. Come in and have fun! Club information: <http://games.groups.yahoo.com/group/TYASCC/>. Feng Zhong, [xyzf99@yahoo.com](mailto:xyzf99@yahoo.com) (248)825-6192 Chris Hausner, [chausner\\_mi@yahoo.com](mailto:chausner_mi@yahoo.com) - (313) 575-5617

### **Universal Chess Club - Mon-Sat: 12:00-6:00pm, Sun 12:00-**

**5:00pm;** 5101 E. 9 mile Rd., Warren, MI. 48091-(between 9 mile & Mound Rd. on north side of 9 Mile); Ed Mandell (586) 558-4790 e-mail: [allthekingsmench@aol.com](mailto:allthekingsmench@aol.com); Website: [www.allthekingsmenchess.com](http://www.allthekingsmenchess.com); All Ages/strengths welcome! Sets provided; clocks for rent. Snacks & beverages are available for purchase.

### **Young Bishops Kids Chess Club – Wed: 3:15-5:45pm;**

Fresh Wind Christian Community Church - 18201 Honor Highway Interlochen, MI. (The church is right on US31/Honor Hwy.) (This chess club is operated as a Christian ministry of Fresh Wind Christian Community Church, so Biblical teachings and community service are incorporated into the meetings as well.) Eric Haan (231)-383-1180; email: [erick.r.haan@gmail.com](mailto:erick.r.haan@gmail.com) website: [www.facebook.com/YoungBishopsChessClub](http://www.facebook.com/YoungBishopsChessClub)

### **Ypsilanti Chess Club - Thurs: 6-9:00pm;**

St. Marks Lutheran Church -1515 S Harris Rd. Ypsilanti, MI 48198; (Short lecture for kids on fundamental chess principles. All skill levels are welcome. Boards are provided. If you like blitz, bring a clock.) Justin Meek; 734-619-9433; [Justinmeek81@gmail.com](mailto:Justinmeek81@gmail.com)



Online Registration for MCA Events: <https://www.onlineregistration.cc>

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 thru our new online system prior to attending local events.

All events require USCF and MCA memberships unless noted 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. Send Announcements to: Jeff Aldrich (810)-955-7271 Email: [jeffchess64@gmail.com](mailto:jeffchess64@gmail.com). You can now submit events through the MCA website! ★★ **MCA Championship Events**. 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!

Check out the MCA Website @ <http://www.michess.org>

Join our Facebook group for the latest news and info (Search for Michigan Chess Association)

## SEPTEMBER TOURNAMENTS:

**Sep 10 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;d0 (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](mailto:jeffchess64@gmail.com)

**Sep 15 Lansing Mini-Swiss** Gannon Building, Room 3246, 422 N Washington Sq, Lansing, MI 48933. **3-SS**, Sections of 8 by rtg. **Reg:** 9-9:45pm **Rds:** 10am-1:30pm-4:30pm. **EF:** \$21 **TL:** G/85;d5. **\$\$:** 1st \$74, 2nd \$48 each sect, 3/3 gets \$100 (based on 8 per section) **Ent/Info:** Tony Nichols, [sensie48910@yahoo.com](mailto:sensie48910@yahoo.com), 517-763-6756.

### Sep 22 TYASCC Quads

Troy Public Library, 510 W Big Beaver Rd, Troy, MI 48084. **3-RR**, Quads by rating. **TL:** G/30; or G/25;d/5. **Rds:** 1:30pm-2:30pm-3:30pm. **EF:** \$5 before game day, \$10 on site. **Reg:** Adv by e-mail, send player's USCF id to [tyascc.troy@gmail.com](mailto:tyascc.troy@gmail.com) or by sign up at [goo.gl/forms/kJECCXApWKwGxkrE3](http://goo.gl/forms/kJECCXApWKwGxkrE3). Check in 1-1:15pm. **\$\$:** For each quad: 1st \$10, 2nd \$6. **Ent&Info:** [tyascc.troy@gmail.com](mailto:tyascc.troy@gmail.com), Website: [groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/tyascc](https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/tyascc).

**Sep 24 Genesee County C.C. Free Rated Swiss** 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:** \$0 **REG:** 6-6:25pm **\$\$:** None. **Ent&Info:** Jeff Aldrich, (810) 955-7271, [jeffchess64@gmail.com](mailto:jeffchess64@gmail.com)

### Sep 28 Detroit Thinkers Challenge

<http://www.weplaychess.net/> for

Details

## OCTOBER TOURNAMENTS:

**Oct 4-6 2019 ANNUAL HAROLD STEEN MEMORIAL CUP** Embassy Suites by Hilton Detroit Troy Auburn Hills, 850 Tower Dr, Troy, MI 48098. **5-SS**, 3 Sect: Open (FIDE-& USCF-Rated), Reserve (U1700), Novice (U800); **4-SS** Novice. **Reg:** <http://www.onlineregistration.cc>; 3-Day Fri 4-6pm, 2-Day Sat 8:30-9:45am, Novice Sat 8:30-10am. **Rds:** 3-Day Fri 7pm, Sat 11am-7pm, Sun 10am-3pm; 2-Day Sat 11:30am-2pm-7pm, Sun 10am-3pm; Novice Sat 10:30am-11:50am-1:10pm-2:30pm. **EF:** By 9/30, add \$10 after, add additional \$10 on site; 3-Day Open \$116, GMs/IMs/FMs FREE! (\$110 EF deducted from prize), U1700: \$81; 2-Day Open \$115. U1700: \$80; Novice \$25. **TL:** Open/U1700 3-Day G/90+30inc; 2-Day Rds 1-2 G/45;d5, Rds 3-5 G/90+30inc; Novice: G/25;d5. **\$\$:** \$6,000 (b/50/sect, b/min. 6/group). Each Section 60% Guaranteed. 30 GPP (enhanced): Open \$1000-\$750-\$550-\$400, Top 2000-2299, 1700-1999, U1700/Unr \$300 each; U1700 Sect \$600-\$400-\$350-\$250. Top C, D, E, U1000/Unr \$200 each; Novice Troph 1st-2nd-3rd. Troph Top U600, U400, Unr. **Ent/Info:** Marcie Kahn (586) 806-8114, Ed Mandell (248) 635-2375, [allthekingsmench@aol.com](mailto:allthekingsmench@aol.com), <https://www.facebook.com/akm.chess>.

### Oct 6 Lansing Mini-Swiss

See Sep 15 Listing for Details

**Oct 12 NATIONAL CHESS DAY RATED 5-SS SWISS** All The King's Men, 4859 E 9 Mile Rd, Warren, MI 48091. **5-SS**. **Reg:** <http://www.onlineregistration.cc> **Rds:** 10:30am-1pm-3pm-5pm-7:30pm. **EF:** \$40 by 10/8, Add \$10 after. **TL:** G/45;d5. **\$\$:** \$1200 (b/40, min 5/group): \$350-\$200-\$150. \$125 Top 1900-2199, 1600-1899, 1300-1599 U1300/Unr. **Ent/Info:** Dr. Ed Mandell (248) 635-2375, Marcie Kahn (586) 806-5114, Jack Kahn [chess.atkm@gmail.com](mailto:chess.atkm@gmail.com), Greg Harris [gharrisatkm@gmail.com](mailto:gharrisatkm@gmail.com), [allthekingsmench@aol.com](mailto:allthekingsmench@aol.com), 586-806-5114, <https://www.facebook.com/akm.chess>

**Oct 19 ★★ 2019 MICHIGAN WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP + MEN'S SIDE EVENT** All The King's Men, 4859 E 9 Mile Rd, Warren, MI 48091. **4-SS**, 3 Sect (Open, Reserve U1000/Unr, Men's). **Reg:** Online <http://www.onlineregistration.cc>, By Mail: MCA, P.O. Box 40, Flint, MI 48501; Onsite: 9-9:40am. **Rds:** 10am-1pm-3:45pm-6:30pm. **EF:** \$20 by 10/17, Add \$10 after. **TL:** G/75;d5. **\$\$:** \$ Open: 1st Title + Trophy, 2nd Trophy, Trophy: Top B, C,

D, E, Unr; if winner is 12th grade or under, she will represent Michigan at the National Girls Tournament of Champions! Reserve: 1st Trophy, 2nd Trophy, Trophy for Top U800, U600, U400, Unr; Men's Side Event: Trophies 1st, 2nd, Top U1400, U1200, U1000, U800. **Ent/Info:** Jeff Aldrich [jeffchess64@gmail.com](mailto:jeffchess64@gmail.com) or Jack Kahn (TD) [chess.atkm@gmail.com](mailto:chess.atkm@gmail.com) See Page 33 for Details

### Oct 20 TYASCC Quads

See Sep 22 Listing for Details

**Oct 22 – Nov 19 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:** 10/22 or 10/29, 6-6:25pm. **Rds:** 6:30/wk. **EF:** \$8 (\$6 U18) **TL:** G/80;d5. **\$\$:** 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> 3<sup>rd</sup>, Top U1800, U1600, U1400, U1200, U1000/Unr. **Ent/Info:** Jeff Aldrich 810-955-7271, [jeffchess64@gmail.com](mailto:jeffchess64@gmail.com)

### Oct 26 Detroit Thinkers Challenge

<http://www.weplaychess.net/> for

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## NOVEMBER TOURNAMENTS:

**Nov 2 St. Isaac Jogues Chess Tournament** St. Isaac Jogues Catholic School, 21100 Madison St, St Clair Shores, MI 48081. **What:** 5 rds, 30 min games (5 min clock per player if longer) versus students in your own grade / section). **Who:** K-8 - Beginner or Experienced - students will be grouped by grade; (Grades may be combined based on number of players); **\$\$:** Trophies Top 3 in each grade/section. More depending on section size. Medals for winning 3, 4, or 5 games. **EF:** \$20 by 10/5, \$25 after, must register by 10/19; **Lunch:** Pizza lunch included. Additional food/snacks/drinks available for purchase. **Contact:** John Cusumano, 586-530-7534, [jjcusumano@gmail.com](mailto:jjcusumano@gmail.com). Make check payable to SIJ Men's Club & mail to: SIJ Chess Tournament, Attn: John Cusumano, 21100 Madison St, St. Clair Shores, MI 48081. Please include the following info for each student: Student's Name, School, Grade, Check #, Amount Enclosed, Phone #, Email, Parent Signature. **Website:** [www.facebook.com/StIsaacJoguesCatholicSchool](http://www.facebook.com/StIsaacJoguesCatholicSchool) and click on Events See Page 34 for Details

### Nov 3 Lansing Mini-Swiss

See Sep 15 Listing for Details

## Nov 9 ★★ 2019 MICHIGAN SCHOLASTIC CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS ★★

Lansing Convention Center, 333 E. Michigan Ave, Lansing, MI 48933 **5-SS**; 4 Sections: K-12, K-8, K-5, K-3. **Rds:** 9am-11am-1pm-3pm-5pm. **TL:** G/40;d5. **EF:** \$22 Adv by 11/4, \$40 Adv by 11/7 at 8pm, Mailed entries must be postmarked by 11/1, NO ON-SITE REGISTRATION FOR ALL SECTIONS. Online registration: <http://www.onlineregistration.cc>. Note that the K-3 section does not require USCF memberships, so it listed separately on the registration website. Birthdates of all players are required for the K-3 section to be USCF rated per USCF rules. MCA membership is required. All other sections required both USCF and MCA memberships. If an invoice is needed for school payment, please contact the TD by 10/29 to allow time for processing. **Check in:** Players who have paid in advance will be paired for round 1, and do not need to check in. Coaches/Parents should inform TD before 8:15am if one of their players will not be present. Processing Fee of \$3 deducted for withdrawn entries. No refunds will be given for anyone who is paired for the first round. Coaches should email TD their club rosters in the week before the tournament. **\$\$:** Each Section: Top 7 Individuals Overall + any with 4 points, Top 7 Clubs (top 4 individual scores from each club are used) **ENT&INF:** Jeff Aldrich, P.O. Box 40, Flint, MI 48501, (810) 955-7271, e-mail: [jeffchess64@gmail.com](mailto:jeffchess64@gmail.com). TOURNAMENT INFO:

- **Equipment:** Boards and Pieces are provided for tournament games. Bring your own set for skittles between rounds.
- **Bring Clocks:** Games may start without clocks, but games running long will have a clock placed on them with very little time.
- **Notation:** All players must record the moves of their game until one player has less than 5 minutes remaining on the clock. Younger players just learning to write should make an attempt by writing the piece or check marks. Please bring writing utensils as they are not provided.
- **Cell Phones:** No Players may have cell phone in their possession during their game.
- **Spectators:** Parents and Coaches will be separated from the playing area once games begin.

NO GROUP FOOD or COOLERS!!! Concessions available on-site. Concessions available on-site at the North Point Café. See Page 35 for Details

### Nov 17 TYASCC Quads

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## PLAN AHEAD CALENDAR:

**Dec 7 ★★ 2019 MICHIGAN ACTION CHAMPIONSHIP ★★** Pierpont Commons, Univ of Mich North Campus, Ann Arbor, See Page 36 for Details

**Jan 11-12, 2020 ★★ 2020 MICHIGAN MASTER/EXPERT & CLASS CHAMPIONSHIPS ★★** Radisson Hotel, Lansing See Page 37 for Details

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**Michigan's Top 100**  
From USCF Website Rating List  
(Regular Rated as of August 1, 2019)

Rnk	Player	Rtng	Rnk	Player	Rtng
1	IM ATULYA ARYA SHETTY	2546	51	JAMES H SAWASKI	2017
2	FM EDWARD SONG	2497	52	JOHN R DREXEL	2012
3	IM SAFAL BORA	2494	53	GREGORY HARRIS	2005
4	FM BEN LI	2470	54	R RAYMOND GARRISON	2001
5	FM MARK HEIMANN	2468	55	BARRY E ENDSLEY	2000
6	FM JOSHUA POSTHUMA	2422	56	MORGAN EVERETT	2000
7	FM SETH HOMA	2387	57	ABRAHAM S UPPAL	2000
8	BILL J CALTON	2330	58	ADHVAITH RAJANISH	1996
9	JAMES CANTY III	2317	59	FM ATER H GORGIS	1984
10	MICHAEL CHEN	2302	60	MANMOHAN DAS	1980
11	HANXIANG LI	2302	61	HARRISON HE	1980
12	MAURO LOPEZ	2302	62	ALAN GREGG	1978
13	JALEN SIR WANG	2276	63	ANDY FLETCHER	1977
14	FM DAVID SPRENKLE	2268	64	AIDEN SONG	1975
15	MANIS DAVIDOVICH	2251	65	WILLIAM RHEE	1968
16	WFM APURVA VIRKUD	2236	66	ANDREW M BEIDER	1964
17	AMEER GHOBRIAL	2235	67	DANIEL SAJKOWSKI	1956
18	KEVIN NOREN	2220	68	JOSEPH GADSON	1955
19	JOHN C BIDWELL	2217	69	STANLEY J JAROSZ JR	1951
20	THOMAS HARTWIG	2215	70	EDDIE BARBER	1942
21	SANDEEP YALAMANCHILI	2214	71	MICHAEL CLARK	1942
22	PETER GILRUTH	2210	72	WAYNE GENE HICKEY	1926
23	JUSTIN SUN LIANG	2209	73	JEFF ALDRICH	1920
24	KEVIN CZUHAI	2202	74	DOUGLAS FICK II	1920
25	ERIC V FISCHVOGT	2200	75	MIKE WILLIAMS	1911
26	JOHN BROOKS	2183	76	BRELEN WILKES	1911
27	ANTHONY NICHOLS	2171	77	JAMES DEAN	1910
28	EUGENE BRUMLEY	2151	78	NICK SCHWERIN	1909
29	SURYA PARASURAMAN	2144	79	NATHAN J OUYANG	1906
30	IM IBRAHIM CHAHROUR	2137	80	GREGORY E BAILEY	1900
31	ALEXANDER DEATRICK	2133	81	DEREK WILDER	1894
32	ARIEL S LEVI	2128	82	VIJAY KODALI	1891
33	MICHAEL ZIHAN ZHENG	2115	83	HANSHI ZUO	1870
34	BENJAMIN BRANDT	2113	84	AYUSH DAS	1869
35	CLARA MCGREW	2102	85	DORIAN A SMALLEY	1868
36	WFM SASHA KONOVALENKO	2102	86	DANIEL T LIBBY	1865
37	ANDREW SCHREMSER	2101	87	ALBERT STEELE	1864
38	ROBERT CIAFFONE	2100	88	ROBERT BEMBEN	1862
39	DAVID FELIX HAHN	2100	89	RONALD WILLIAMS	1856
40	IAN MAILING	2099	90	THOMAS LA FORGE	1854
41	AKASH NARAYANAN	2088	91	ADAM DEHOLLANDER	1849
42	CHRIS HANKINSON	2075	92	GAVIN T ROUPE	1844
43	BRADLEY ROGERS	2072	93	BAYASGALAN KHERLEN	1844
44	SALAH CHEHAYEB	2071	94	MICHAEL BROOKS	1841
45	GJERGJ DODAJ	2065	95	WILL JOSEPH BROOKS	1836
46	CVETAN NESTOROVSKI	2061	96	STEWART WILKINSON	1830
47	TONY PALMER	2058	97	EDWARD HOWARD	1820
48	KAMERON TOLLIVER	2041	98	DONALD M MASON	1819
49	JUSTIN L BROWN	2039	99	TIMOTHY JOHNSON	1819
50	KRISHNAN SUDHARSAN	2038	100	JUSTIN MEEK	1819

**Current Michigan Champions**

2018 Michigan Open	Joshua Posthuma
2018 Michigan Open Reserve	Patrick Schilling
2018 Michigan Open Booster	John Kling
2019 Michigan Amateur	Stanley Jarosz
2019 Master/Expert	Joshua Posthuma
2019 Expert Champion	Andrew Schremser
2019 Class A Champion	Adam Dehollander
2019 Class B Champion	Timothy Johnson
2019 Class C Champion	Rajanish Rajan
2019 Class D Champion	Aaron Liu
2019 Class E Champion	Cory Ives
2019 Novice Champion	Gray Schafer
2018 Michigan Action	Mauro Lopez
2018 Michigan Speed	Joshua Posthuma
2019 Senior Champion	Bradley Rogers
2019 Senior Reserve Champion	Loren Schwiebert, Alex McNeilly
2018 Michigan Women's	Clara McGrew
2019 Bottom-Half Class Open	Anthony Nichols
2019 Bottom-Half Class U1900	Matthew Trujillo
2019 Bottom-Half Class U1700	Abhinav Rajanish
2019 Bottom-Half Class U1500	Nicolas Casey
2019 Bottom-Half Class U1300	Tyler Booher
2019 Bottom-Half Class U900/Unr	Nick Popovic
2019 Primary K-3 Team	Detroit Country Day
2019 Elementary K-5 Team Reserve	Bates C, Barnard B, Ann Arbor King, Chrysler A
2019 Elementary K-6 Team	Schroeder Dragons
2019 Junior High K-9 Team	UPSM-MS MasterMinds A
2019 Junior High K-9 Team Reserve	UPSM-MS MasterMinds E
2019 High School 9-12 Team	Detroit Cass Tech HS A
2019 High School K-12 Team Reserve	Detroit Cass Tech HS B
2019 Michigan Junior	Ben Li
2019 Michigan Young Junior	Michael Zheng
2019 Michigan Young Junior Reserve	Summer Gentry, Riya Desai
2019 Michigan Children's	Nicolas Casey
2019 Michigan Children's Reserve	Wilson Ruan
2019 Michigan Young Children's	Jesse Ren
2019 Michigan Young Children's Reserve	Chaithanya Budida
2018 Scholastic Club K-12 Team	Detroit City Chess Club
2018 Scholastic Club K-12 Individual	Justin Liang
2018 Scholastic Club K-8 Team	Detroit City Chess Club ,Boulan Park MS
2018 Scholastic Club K-8 Individual	Adhvaith Rajanish, Leyou Jiang
2018 Scholastic Club K-5 Team	AA Chess Monsters, Implodians
2018 Scholastic Club K-5 Individual	Jason Shi , Abhinav Rajanish
2018 Scholastic Club K-3 Team	Implodians
2018 Scholastic Club K-3 Individual	Inhavenkat Sundara Rajan