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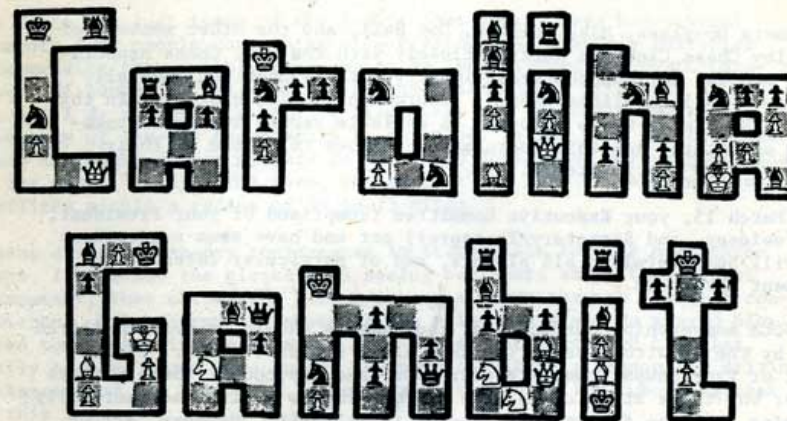
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This rating list was compiled by Lee Taylor, Stephen Herman, and Jeri Taylor.

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#### Letters to the Editor

Dear Sir:

I enjoyed participating in the March Statesville Open. Chuck Howard did a fine job of directing the 32-player event. The playing conditions were excellent at the Grace Park Recreation Center, and I am looking forward to more such events on April 12 and May 10.

A few funny things occurred at the tourney that might be of interest. At the start of the tourney not enough clocks were available, and since I usually bring two or three extra chess clocks, I usually lend them out (no, I don't charge them by the hour). Dr. Lipkin forgot to bring his clock so I let him borrow mine. So the game started and the two opponents were soon in deep concentration. Suddenly, after 15 minutes from the start of the game, one of them noticed the clocks weren't ticking. In fact, no time had elapsed on either clock! They had forgotten to wind the clocks! Rule number one in the use and care of chess clocks is to let them run down when not in use. This reduces the tension on the mainspring to help it last longer and prevents corrosion from building up in high-humidity areas when the gears are in motion.

Later on, in the third round, I pulled out one of my chess clocks for my next game. My opponent was taking his time with the first few moves while I was playing moderately fast. About 20 minutes into the game my opponent noticed that he had used 15 minutes while my clock showed an elapsed time of one minute! I was playing fast but not that fast. So he made his move, punched his clock and before I could make another one of my instantaneous replies, he noticed that my clock was not ticking. Impossible,

I thought. I knew my clock was wound by now and, in fact, I knew it was wound because it was the same clock that Dr. Lipkin used since I have my clocks numbered. Sure enough, it was wound. In fact overwound! That brings us to rule number two on chess clocks. Never overwind your chess clock since the mainspring will jam together and will not allow the rocker arms to function in unwinding the mainspring. If this does occur to your clock, punch the button hard to start the clock and repeat many, many times. Soon the clock should start on its own once the mainspring is loosened up a bit. If this still doesn't work you may have a busted spring. Then you are in real time trouble!

Another oddity occurred when two lower class "C" players reached an end-game of lone Queen vs. lone Pawn on the 7th supported by the King. Now the opponent with the Queen had his King far removed from the enemy Pawn, but the Pawn was on the Knight file and this is a win for the side with the Queen. All one has to do is check with the Queen until the enemy King gets in front of the pawn and thus preventing an immediate push of the Pawn to the 8th rank and queening. Once the enemy King is in front of the Pawn, the other King has a chance to move and get closer to the Pawn and eventually force mate or win the Pawn. Of course this would have been a draw if it had been a Rook Pawn or Bishop Pawn because of the stalemate possibilities. Anyway, the player with the Queen did not know the right approach and was just moving his Queen around the board giving check or preventing the Pawn push. The TD came over and mentioned the 50 move rule for a draw and told the players it was a book draw. A book draw??? The two players then decided to give it up and call it a draw. A draw??? Once they agreed to the draw I then proceeded to show them the method of winning. There were also a dozen other chess skeptics who didn't believe it was a win. Doesn't anybody look at books? This typical ending is found in at least a dozen books. This Queen vs. Pawn ending can be found on page 522 in Basic Chess Endings; or on page 20 of Chess Endings: Essential Knowledge; or page 154 of Chess the Easy Way by Fine to name a few.

Afterwards, one of the opponents told me that since the TD thought it was a book draw, he accepted the draw and did not play on. That definitely was bad judgment on the TD's part since he was not adjudicating the position. Informing the two players of the 50 move rule was enough. However, the players should still not be affected by another's comments as to the final outcome of the game. It reminds me of a tournament George Koltanowski was directing. He would usually walk by some of the games and occasionally mumble to himself that the position was a draw. Finally, one of the players shut him up when he replied: "Mr. Koltanowski, only a GRANDMASTER can adjudicate this as a draw." (Koltanowski, the world record holder of 30 blindfold simultaneous games of chess, is "only" an International Master.)

The draw is an interesting thing in chess. A draw is rare with very low rated players and very common among Masters. Most games are won by blunders and it is said that he who makes the next to the last mistake wins. As players improve their game there is less error and more caution. The draw becomes more prevalent with opponents of near or equal strength. In this March Statesville Open I took three different draws - a perpetual check, a Grandmaster draw, and It's Getting Late Let's Call It A Draw.

[Unfortunately, lack of space prevents us from printing the scores of Bill's three draws. Ed.]

Bill Wall, Stoney Point, N.C.



# NORTH CAROLINA TOURNAMENT CALENDAR

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- (1) Be sure to clear your tournament with the NCCA Tournament Clearing Service. This service is designed to help tournament organizers avoid date conflicts. Call direct 919-924-2688 between 7 and 9 p.m.
- (2) Send your announcements directly to the following address: Carolina Gambit, Box 396, Carrboro, N.C. 27510. The Gambit is published every two months. This means that all NCCA members receive prompt notification of tournaments announced herein. The next issue will be mailed to members on July 20th. Send announcements for this upcoming issue by June 20th. Tournament organizers are encouraged to send tournament results, games, and/or newsstories for publication in the Gambit.
- (3) The NCCA provides tournament supplies free of charge for any USCF event requiring NCCA membership. Write Dr. Al Lipkin, address page 1.

May 24 T.C.R. OPEN Skyland, N.C.

3-SS, 8-man sections, 40/90. T. C. Roberson High School, Overlook Rd., Skyland, N.C. EF: \$5; NCCA membership req. (\$3). \$30 to top in each 8-man section. Reg. 8:00-9:30 a.m., rds. 10-2-6. Ent: James A. Brown, Rt. 3, Box 81A, Arden, N. C. 28704.

May 24 VANCE CASH TORNADO Henderson, N.C.

First Presbyterian Church, Henderson, N.C. 4-SS in one section, 40/80, Registration ends 9 a.m. Rounds: 9:30 a.m., 12 noon, 2:30 p.m. 5 p.m. Entry Fee: \$8.00 if joining USCF for first time, combined EF and USCF membership - \$20 (juniors, \$15). Cash Prizes (based on 35 entries): 1st - \$50; 2nd - \$35; 3rd - \$20; Top C - \$20; Top D - \$20; Top E - \$20; Top Unrated - \$20. Sponsored jointly by the Vance Senior High School CC and the Vance County Chess Club. For more information, contact: R.R. Hight, Jr., Box 158, Townsville, N.C. 27584.

May 31 - June 1 FIRST NC vs. VA OPEN STATE CHAMPIONSHIP Danville, Va.

5 Round Team, 40/100, YMCA, 750 Main St., Danville, Va. EF (if received by 5/20): \$15 (EF \$5 more at the door). \$1000 in individual cash prizes guaranteed (based on 100 entries). All EF to be returned to players as prizes. \$5: 1st; 200. 2nd; 150. Class A; 100, 50. Class B; 100, 50. Class C; \$100, 50. Class D/E; 100, 50. Unr; 50. Certificate to each player of the winning state. N.C. players shall be paired with Va. players, unless impossible. State with the most total points shall be declared the winner. NCCA or VCF membership is required. REG: 8-9:30. RDS: 10-2:30-7, 10-3. Smoking: Opponents Choice. ENT: Southern Chess Administration, Box 11614, Winston-Salem, NC 27106. This event is sanctioned by the NCCA and VCF.

June 21 - 22 FIRST TARHEEL CLASSIC Raleigh, N.C.

5-SS, 40/100, Milner Carolina Hotel, 228 W. Hargett St., Raleigh, NC 27602. EF: (if rec'd by 6/17): Top Section (1600 & above): \$18. Lower Section (below 1600 & unr.): \$12. All \$5 more at door. \$1000.00 in cash prizes guaranteed (based on 100 entries). All EF (above expenses) to be returned to the players as prizes. Optional trophies available. Top Section \$5: 1st; 250. 2nd; 150. Class A; 100, 50. Class B; 100, 50. Lower Section \$5: 1st 100. 2nd; 75. Class D/E; 60, 25. Unr; 40. NCCA membership required (other states OK). REG: 8-9:30. RDS: 10, 2:30, 7. 10, 3. HR: Milner Carolina Hotel, 228 W. Hargett St., Raleigh, NC 27602. S: \$9.50. D: \$12.50. Smoking: Opponents choice. ENT: So. Chess Administration, Box 11614, Winston-Salem, NC

June 28 - 29 1975 CAROLINAS OPEN Boiling Springs, N.C.

5-SS, 50/2, Crest High School, Boiling Springs (near Shelby). In three sections: OPEN, open to all; RESERVE, open to under 1800 or unrated; BOOSTER, open to under 1400 or unrated. EF if mailed by 6/20: OPEN \$12; RESERVE \$9; BOOSTER \$6. All EF \$3 more after 6/20. NCCA membership required; other states honored. OPEN \$5 300 1st; RESERVE \$5 150 1st; BOOSTER \$5 75 1st. Other \$5 as entries permit. Reg. 8-9 a.m., 6/28. Rds. 10-2:30-7:30, 9-2:30. ENT and checks payable to Shelby Chess Club, Box 975, Shelby, N.C. 28150.

July 26 - 27 SECOND LAWRENCE PFEFFERKORN OPEN Winston-Salem, N.C.

5-SS, 50/2, Hilton Inn, Marshall and High St., Winston-Salem, N.C. 27101 \$3000 in cash prizes unconditionally guaranteed. Trophies available if desired. EF: \$20 if rec'd by 7/22. \$5 more at door. Prizes \$5: 1st \$500. 2nd: \$250. 3rd: \$150. Class A: 250, 150, 100. Class B: 250, 150, 100. Class C: 250, 150, 100. Class D/E 250, 150, 100. Unr: 60, 40. NCCA membership required, other states OK. Reg. 8:00-9:00 a.m. 7/26 RDS: Sat: 10, 3, 8. Sun: 10, 4. HR: S 14, D 18 (for players). ENT: Southern Chess Administration, Box 11614, Winston-Salem, NC 27106 Smoking: Opponents choice.

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THE CONTINUING STORY OF.....

"PAWN POWER" by Dr. Al

This issue's Pawn Power takes us to Greensboro last year during one of the Spartan Chess Tournaments. We had just settled down to the second round of the tourney when there was a sudden outburst on one of the middle boards. There was a heated argument in progress between two players whom we shall call Bill and Mike.

Bill was saying, "I refuse to play anybody as dumb as you!! I resign and that's final!!"

Mike replied, "You can't do that! Who the hell are you to say I'm dumb anyway! I refuse to accept your resignation!!"

"The hell you do!" shrieked Bill. "If I want to resign, I can do it and there's nothing you can say! I refuse to play anybody as stupid as you!!"

By this time both players were standing facing each other and Bill had knocked the pieces off the board. Enter our fearless TD Joe Simms. It was apparent that neither player wanted to come to blows over the dispute, so Joe was obligated to hear each side of the story. It turned out that this was Mike's first tourney and he had just dropped two pieces in the opening. Bill could not believe such stupidity and felt insulted that he should have to play through such a game. In fact Mike had stayed out quite late the previous evening and could not concentrate. He dropped the two pieces and was not aware that it was courteous to resign in such a position. Now Bill thought that there must be some fantastic trap to those sac's and was straining a gut to figure out what Mike was up to. When it finally dawned on Bill that Mike had merely blundered, he knocked the pieces off the board, called Mike a stupid ass, and resigned in disgust! Mike was somewhat upset by the name-calling and refused to



accept the resignation, insisting that the game be reconstructed and played out. Joe Simms just listened and shook his head occasionally. After the two players had calmed down, Joe suggested that they take a short break and start a new game. Bill said that it was OK with him, as long as Mike promised not to blunder in the future!! Mike agreed and stated that he fully intended to win the next game. They returned to play. Bill won. Is there a lesson here?

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#### NORTH CAROLINA CHESS NEWS

The Wake Forest University II Open March 8-9, 1975  
report by Stephen Herman

Open Section: (Six man round-robin) 1st place - Ken Collins scoring 4 1/2 - 1/2 received \$50; 2nd place - Mike McCann scoring 3 1/2 - 1 1/2 received \$20.

Under 1800 Section: 1st place - John Thompson scoring 4 1/2 - 1/2 received \$35; 2nd place - Raymond Freeman scoring 4 - 1 received \$17.

Under 1400 Section: 1st place - Ronald Gray scoring 4 - 1 received \$22.50. 2nd place (on TB) - Steve Sands scoring 4 - 1 received \$22.50.

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The Wilmington Booster March 15-16, 1975 report by David O'Bryant

Open to all players rated under 1800, the Wilmington Booster attracted nineteen participants. The announced cash prizes were based on 32 entries and so it became necessary to cut the prize fund in half. John D. Linder, Jr. (1644) from Wilmington finished 1st receiving \$60 and a trophy. James W. Lussier (1598) from Fort Bragg finished 2nd receiving \$30 and the Top "C" trophy. Roger E. Britt, Jr. from Lumberton (1356) received the Top "D/E" trophy. Jimmy Sneed from Wilmington won the Top Unrated trophy. Sneed clinched the unrated trophy by drawing top rated Rhodes Peele (1738) in the last round.

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Kavalek Smashes Opposition at Simultaneous March 21, 1975 by S. Herman

Grandmaster Lubomir "Lubosh" Kavalek disappointed none in leveling the aspirations of the 42 participants in a simultaneous exhibition held in the Wake Forest University Ballroom March 21 with only two exceptions. Mike McCann, using the Pirc Defense, cut down Kavalek quite smoothly, and eight-year-old Bert Davis held the Grandmaster to a draw. Both were awarded plaques. Ironically, in the latter game, the exhibition monitor, fearing an early fiasco, had secured Kavalek's permission to allow Bert's father to assist him, which was graciously granted. Obviously, such fears were ill-founded, and Kavalek was very much impressed by Bert's potential.

The exhibition was generally considered a success, and the opportunity to match wits against such a profound talent was greatly appreciated. Kavalek expressed appreciation for the facilities and participation,

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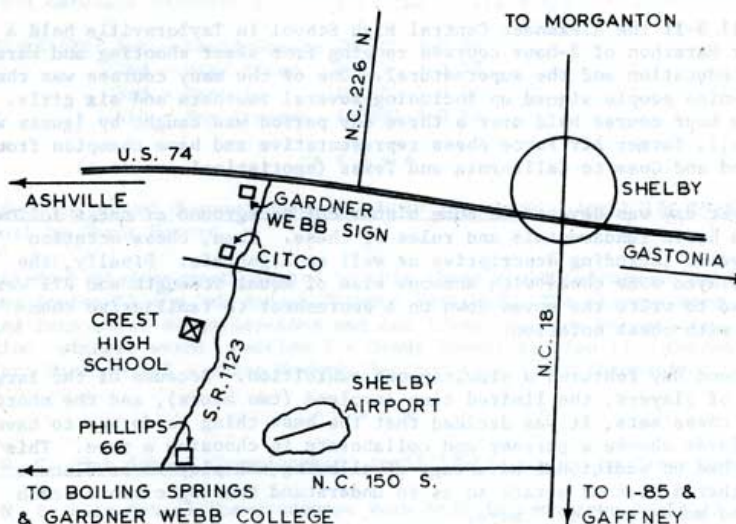


### JUNE 28-29



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and also complimented the quality of play. Four and one-half hours were required before the final result was made official. The exhibition was jointly sponsored by the Wake Forest University Chess Union and College Union.

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The Statesville Open March 15, 1975 report by Chuck Howard

The Grace Park Recreation Center was the site for Statesville's first local tournament of the year. A convenient 32 players participated in four 8-man sections. Winners were John Davis in Section I scoring a perfect 3-0; Elliott Schwartz and Bob Moore in Section II tied for 1st with identical 2 1/2 - 1/2 scores with Elliott winning the trophy on a coin toss after approximately ten other tie-break systems failed; Bill Tabor and Frank Kello tied for 1st in Section III with Bill winning on tie-break; and finally Mike Yandle in Section IV posting a perfect 3-0 for 1st place.

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The RAM III Open March 22, 1975 report by A. C. Menius

Fifty-four players participated in the third RAM of the year at UNC in Chapel Hill. Section winners were: Section I - Greg Samsa. Section II - Ray Freeman. Section III - George Harwell. Section IV - Chris Kremer. Section V - Albert Carlson. Section VI - Algie Clyburn. Section VII - A. J. Rucienski.

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The "Modular Marathon" April 9-11 by Bill Wall

On April 9-11 the Alexander Central High School in Taylorsville held a Modular Marathon of 2-hour courses ranging from skeet shooting and karate to sex education and the supernatural. One of the many courses was chess. Twenty-nine people signed up including several teachers and six girls. The six hour course held over a three day period was taught by [guess who] Bill Wall, former Air Force chess representative and base champion from Thailand and Guam to California and Texas (egotistical aren't I).

The first day was devoted to some historical background of chess followed by some basic fundamentals and rules of chess. Then, chess notation was covered including descriptive as well as algebraic. Finally, the group played some chess with someone else of equal strength and all were required to write the moves down on a scoresheet to familiarize themselves with chess notation.

The second day featured a simultaneous exhibition. Because of the large number of players, the limited time involved (two hours), and the shortage of chess sets, it was decided that the best thing to do was to have each player choose a partner and collaborate in choosing a move. This method had an additional advantage of allowing the players to discuss each other's plan of attack so as to understand the logic behind each move and make the "best" move.

I allowed each "team" to choose whatever color they wished. Of the 14 boards only two chose the black pieces. The majority of games opened up

with 1.P-K4. I replied differently in every game to avoid duplication and demonstrate the various openings possible. As black I played everything from the Sicilian and French to Alekhine and Caro-Kann. After each move I commented on the position, pointed out alternative moves, and made suggestions if need be. All games were recorded on the USCF Official Scoresheet with carbon copy so that each player could have a record of the game for their own reference. At the end of the day my result was two losses, two draws, and ten wins.

The final day was devoted to a rapid chess tourney divided into three sections: the intermediate players, the beginners, and the girls. It was a four round swiss using chess clocks. Each player had ten minutes for a total of twenty minutes per game. Seven chess clocks were used and those without chess clocks had their game adjudicated as a win, loss or draw. At the end of the day chess sets were given away as prizes to individual winners in each section. All in all it was a lot of fun.

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The First N.C. Intercollegiate Team Championship April 12 by A.C. Menius

The First N. C. Intercollegiate Team Championship on April 12, 1975 in Chapel Hill was a disappointment as only five teams and 24 players participated. Top rated North Carolina State University suffered only one loss in twelve games while finishing first with a 3-0 match score. \$75 in prize money was awarded. A.C. Menius directed the tournament.

	RD1	RD2	RD3	Game Score	Match Score	Prizes
N. C. State University	W5	W2	W3	11-1	3-0	\$24
Univ. of North Carolina	W4	L1	W5	7 1/2-4 1/2	2-1	\$ 8
Dav. Co. Community College	BYE	W4	L1	3-5	2-1	\$ 8
Lenoir Rhyne	L2	L3	BYE	2-6	1-2	
Western Carolina University	L1	BYE	L2	1/2-7 1/2	1-2	

BOARD PRIZES: 1st - David Steele (NCSU) 3-0 \$8  
 2nd - Mike Siler (UNC) 3-0 \$8  
 3rd - Dan Liu (NCSU) 3-0 \$8  
 4th - Ray Freeman (NCSU) 3-0 \$8

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The Seventh Annual Dogwood Festival Chess Tournament April 12, 1975 report by Chuck Howard

Thirty-four players participated in this three round tournament held during Statesville's 7th Annual Dogwood Festival. The players were placed into three 8-man sections and one 10-man section by ratings. Section winners were: Section I - Grady Brown; Section II - Gordon Plyler; Section III - Alise Howard; Section IV - Brice Shropshire.

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The N. C. High School Championship April 12-13 report by Harry Osen

The N. C. High School Championships were held in Lenoir on April 12 and 13. The tournament was organized by Stephen Minton and the Hudson High School chess team. The TD was Harry Osen of Hickory. Forty-six



players and seven teams participated. The trophies went to the following schools and players:

	SCORE
First Place Alexander Central High School	14 1/2
Second Place Vance County High School	14
Third Place J. H. Rose High School	13 1/2

Individual Honors	Score	School
Co-Champion Mike McCann	4 1/2	Vance County High School
Co-Champion Allen Cooley	4 1/2	Mount Tabor High School
Co-Champion Jan Ludwinski	4 1/2	J. H. Rose High School
4th Place Timothy Caspar	4	J. H. Rose High School
5th Place Joe Zachary	4	Alexander Central High School
Top Class C Gary Pennell	3 1/2	Alexander Central High School
Top Class D/E George Melton	4	Scotland County High School
Top Unrated David Ostrom	3	J. H. Rose High School

Contributing to the Alexander Central victory were Eric Nilsen (3 1/2) and Billy Watt (3 1/2). Other team scores were: 4th - Scotland County High School, 13 pts. 5th - Hudson High School, 10 pts. 6th - McDowell High School, 8 1/2 pts. 7th - Page High School, 5 1/2 pts.

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#### The RAM IV April 19, 1975 report by A. C. Menius

The last RAM of the Spring Semester attracted 57 players to the UNC Student Union in Chapel Hill. Section winners were: Section I - Lee Taylor; Section II - Rod C. Hook; Section III - George Harwell; Section IV - Tom Schrade; Section V - Paul Beale; Section VI - Rockie Troxler; Section VII - Robert Kaplan.

During the four 1975 RAMs, interested participants were allowed to express their opinion as to their preference for a consistent policy of "pairing up" lower rated players into higher rated sections at the request of the lower rated player. As a result of this survey, the following "pairing up" policy will become effective beginning with the next RAM in September. ONLY THOSE PLAYERS WHO WON THEIR SECTION IN THE LAST RAM IN WHICH THEY PARTICIPATED MAY ASK TO BE "PAIRED UP" ONE SECTION.

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#### Demers on the Openings by Rex Demers

QUESTION 1: How is Black to continue in the following variation? My MCO has no answer-1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Be3!??

ANSWER: This is Alapin's pawn sacrifice which does not appear quite adequate for white. After 3...de4 (3...Nf6?! 4.e5 Nfd7 5.f4! c5 6.c3 Nc6 7.Bd3 intending Nf3, 0-0, Nbd7, f5-) white has three tries: (a) 4.Nc3? (b) 4.Nd2 (c) 4.f3.

(a) 4.Nc3? Bb4! 5.Qg4 Nf6 6.Qg7 Rg8 7.Qh6 Rg6 8.Qh4 b6f.

(b) 4.Nd2 and black has (b1) 4...Nf6 or (b2) 4...f5.

(b1) 4...Nf6, a logical developing move which should at least guarantee equality. White has three tries: b1i 5.c3, b1ii 5.Ne2 and b1iii 5.f3. b1i 5.c3 (5.g3? is totally unsound: Nc6 6.c3 e5 7.Ne2 ed4 [not 7...Bg4? 8.Qb3!]) 8.Nd4 Nd4 9.Bd4 Bd6f and black has nice development, while white has trouble with his king.) 5...b6 6.g3 (bad is 6.Bb5+ c6 7.Ba4 Ba6 8.Ne2 Be7 9.Bf4 Qc8f; 6.Qc2 Bb7 7.g3 c5 8.dc Nd5f Morel-Weichselbaumer 1952) Bb7 7.Bg2 Be7 8.Qc2

0-0 9.Ne4 Nd5 10.Nf3 Nd7= Mieses-Janowski 1896 Vienna. b1ii 5.Ne2 b6 leaving white two replies: b1ii(a) 6.Ng3 and b1ii(b) 6.a3.

b1ii(a) 6.Ng3 (if 6.Nc3, then simply Bb4f) Bb7 7.c4 Nbd7 8.Qc2 Bb4f. b1ii(b) 6.a3 Bb7 7.c4 (7.c3 Ng4!) c5! 8.dc5 Bc5 9.Bc5 bc5 10.Nc3 0-0f.

b1iii 5.f3 ef3 6.Ngf3 Nbd7 7.Bd3 Bd6 8.0-0 c6f or possibly 8...b6f but not 8...h6? 9.Nc4 Nb6 10.Nd6+ cd6 11.c4 Nbd7 12.Qe2 b6 13.Rael Qe7 14.Bf4 g5 15.Bd2 Bb7 16.d5 e5 17.Nd4 0-0-0 18.Nf5 Qf8 19.b4+- (b2) 4...f5 5.f3 and black has three tries: b2i 5...ef3? b2ii 5...Bd6? b2iii 5...Nc6!

b2i 5...ef3? 6.Ngf3 Nf6 7.Bd3 (7.Bc4 Nd5) and black has b2i(a) 7...Bd6 or b2i(b) 7...c5. b2i(a) 7...Bd6 8.Qe2 0-0 9.0-0-0 Nc6 10.Ne5 Alpin-Janowski. b2i(b) 7...c5 8.0-0 cd4 9.Nd4 f4? 10.Rf4 e5 11.Bb5+ +- Keres-Verak 1933.

b2ii 5...Bd6 6.fe4 fe 7.Ne4 Qh4+ 8.Nf2. b2iii 5...Nc6! 6.c3 (6.fe4 Nd4 7.Ngf3 Bc5f) e5! 7.de5 Ne5 8.fe4 Nd3+ 9.Bd3 Qd3 10.Qe2 fe4+-.

(c) 4.f3. If 4...df3 see b1iii; if 4...f5 see (b2).

QUESTION 2: In the Scotch game 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 ed 4.Nd4, doesn't Steinitz's suggestion of 4...Qh4 win a pawn?

ANSWER: Yes, but white is given compensation by better development and the exposed black queen. For example...5.Nb5 Qe4+ 6.Be3 Kd8 7.Nbc3 Bb4 8.a3 Bc3 9.Nc3 Qg6 10.Bd3 Qg2 11.Be4 Qh3 12.Qd5 and white has a fine attacking game. Also playable for white is 7.Nd2 Qg6 8.Nf3 a6 9.Nbd4f Fine, with initiative.

QUESTION 3: In the "Fried Liver Attack" 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Nf6 4.Ng5 d5 5.ed5 Nd5 6.Nf7! Kf7 7.Qf3+ Ke6 8.Nc3 Ne7 9.d4 c6 10.Bg5 I tried 10...ed4! at the

1974 Groundhog and won. Is this a possible improvement on the MCO 11 line 10...h6 11.Be7 Be7 12.0-0-0 Rf8 13.Qe4! Rf2 14.Rhfl with a strong attack for white?

ANSWER: No, your opponent should have continued 11.0-0-0! dc3 12. Rhel+ Kd6 13.Bd5 cb2+ 14.Kb1 cd5 15.Be7 +- Estrin-Kekillien, Ashkhabad 1952.

QUESTION 4: In the Sicilian Defense: Sozin Attack where black plays 6...Qb6 (after 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cd 4.Nd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Bc4) why can't white play 7.Be3 as white can play 8.Ndb5 if black takes the pawn?

ANSWER: In this line it is doubtful if white gets enough compensation. 7.Be3?! Qb2 8.Ndb5 Qb4! 9.Bd3 Qa5 10.Bd2 Qd8 11.Nd5 Nd5 12.ed5 Ne5 13.Be2 a6 14.Nd4 Qc7 15.0-0 g6f Nikitin in Schahmanty Bulletin and also from the Contemporary Chess Series.

Have a question about an opening? Write Rex Demers, Rt. 3, 104 Allen Ct., Knightdale, N.C. 27545. Please make your question as specific as possible.

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#### North Carolina Chess-Games by NCCA Members

##### BEATING AN IGM

Winston-Salem, N.C. March 21, 1975  
Simultaneous Exhibition

#### Lubomir Kavalek Mike McCann

1. P-K4	P-KN3
2. P-Q4	B-N2
3. N-KB3	P-Q3
4. P-B3	N-KB3
5. B-Q3	0-0
6. 0-0	QN-Q2
7. QN-Q2	P-K4
8. PxP	QNxp
9. NxN	PxN
10. N-B4	Q-K2



11. P-QN4 R-Q1  
12. Q-K2 N-Q2  
13. P-QR4 N-B1  
14. N-K3 P-QB3  
15. B-R3 N-K3  
16. P-N3 Q-B2  
17. B-B4 N-N4  
18. P-B3 B-K3  
19. P-R4 BxB  
20. NxB N-K3  
21. K-N2 P-KR4  
22. B-B1 R-Q2  
23. B-K3 P-N3  
24. KR-Q1 QR-Q1  
25. RxR QxR  
26. R-R2 Q-Q6  
27. QxQ RxQ  
28. R-QB2 P-QN4  
29. PxP PxP  
30. N-N2 RxB  
31. K-B2 B-R3  
32. Resigns

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WAKE ME WHEN WE GET TO  
THE MIDDLE GAME  
by Leland Fuerstman

The Center Counter Defense is rarely seen in Grandmaster competition, but any defense is playable among amateurs. Generally, the stronger player wins regardless of the opening. I usually save the Center Counter for duffers, patzers, and mushheads. On October 13, 1974, Dana Tabor employed the defense against me in the 5th round of the Decatur (Ga) Fall Open. Dana's 5...P-K4 offers a pawn for a prepared advantage in the ending. I refused the pawn and the black position quickly improved. Why I neglected P-QR3! on both moves 7 and 8, I'll never know.....Suddenly, my head began feeling a little mushy. Dozing off into a deep, hypnotic sleep, I began to dream. In the dream, I was the owner of a candy store. A little fat boy walked in and began stealing my candy. First one piece, and then another. And then, to my amazement, he swelled up twice his size and began chasing me around the store, laughing! During the struggle, I

heard a funny noise, much like that of a deflating balloon, and noticed he'd shrunk back down to size. And then, I began chasing him. I finally caught him, turned him over my knee, and spanked the hell out of him.....Slapping myself on the back of the head, I was awakened from my dream; staring at the middle game position.

Fuerstman 1778 Tabor 1934

1. P-K4 P-Q4  
2. PxP N-KB3  
3. P-Q4 NxP  
4. P-QB4 N-N3  
5. N-QB3 P-K4!  
6. P-Q5 B-QB4  
7. N-K4 Q-K2  
8. B-KN5

Hoping for 8...P-KB3 9.Q-R5ch P-N3  
10.NxPch.

8. ... B-N5ch  
9. B-Q2 B-KB4  
10. B-Q3? BxBch  
11. QxB BxN  
12. BxB NxBP  
13. Q-QB3 N-Q3  
14. B-B2 QN-Q2  
15. N-K2 N-KB3  
16. O-O!?

16.0-0-0 would have allowed black good Q-side chances. 16.R-Q1 will work, but the text move gains a few tempi for the pawn.

16. ... NxP  
17. B-R4ch K-B1  
Not 17...P-QB3? 18.BxPch!  
18. Q-Q2 P-QB3  
19. N-N3 N-QB5  
20. Q-K2 Q-QN5

Black appears to be winning.

21. B-N3 N-Q7  
22. R-K1 NxP  
23. PxN P-KB3  
Or QxNP 24.QxKP with a good position for white.

24. Q-B3 Q-KB5  
Black would love to trade queens at this point, two pawns up.

25. Q-Q3 K-B2  
26. R-R4  
White's knight gallops into the game. Black's N-N5? is bad.

26. ... Q-N4  
27. N-K4 Q-R3

28. N-Q6ch K-K3  
29. NxNP Q-N4  
A wasted move which allows control of important white squares.

30. Q-R3ch K-K2  
31. N-B5!  
Very difficult to answer. 31... R-Q1 loses to 32.Q-K6ch, the exchange, and the game.

31. ... P-KB4  
Black is dead lost, now. after 32.RxPch, the King must retreat to one of five squares, all of which lose the Queen.  
32. RxPch K-Q3  
Including that one.  
33. N-K4ch  
And black resigned.

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A "TIMELY" GAME  
by Bill Wall

On April 12th I played in the 7th Annual Dogwood Festival Chess Tourney held at the Grace Park Recreation Center in Statesville. Chuck Howard, again, did a marvelous job of directing this event. Despite this tourney coinciding with the State High School Championship and the N. C. Inter-collegiate Championship, there was a fine turnout of 34 players, including eight players playing in their first rated event.

The top section was won by Grady Brown, the highest rated player, with a perfect 3-0 record. Grady was in fine form. His only difficulty might have been in the first round with Wall. Wall, playing the black pieces, set up the Stonewall variation of the Dutch (named after my Great Grandfather "Stonewall" Wall who introduced it at the Battle of New Orleans against a 12-year-old kid named P. Morphy, ha ha). Grady overlooked a Queen-Knight combination and lost the exchange of Rook for Knight. But the maneuver was difficult to see and cost time—too much time. Both players got into time pressure and Grady was setting up complicated counterplay aimed at an exposed enemy King. Trying to avoid mate threat and loss of material, and at the same time trying to exchange pieces, I consumed too much time and painfully saw my flag fall before the allotted forty moves in one hundred minutes.

It might be of interest to see how much time elapses between moves so I have included this game with all the times for each move. I keep a record of time spent, and many masters do the same to see where their opponent's thinking occurs, as well as their own.

Grady Brown		Bill Wall		16. e4 (5:09) 5 Qh6 (5:18) 8	
40/100—Clocks set at 4:19				17. f4 (5:19) 10 fe (5:26) 8	
1. c4 (4:19) 0	f5 (4:19) 0	18. Ng5 (5:24) 5	Nf6 (5:29) 3	19. Nc:e4 (5:30) 6	Ng4 (5:31) 2
2. Nc3 (4:20) 1	Nf6 (4:20) 1	20. Nf3 (5:34) 4	Ne3 (5:34) 3	21. Qb3 (5:39) 5	N:f1 (5:37) 3
3. d4 (4:21) 1	e6 (4:20) 0	22. B:f1 (5:40) 1	b6 (5:41) 4	23. Neg5 (5:43) 3	Be8 (5:48) 7
4. g3 (4:25) 4	d5 (4:23) 3	24. Bd3 (5:47) 4	Nd7 (5:51) 3	25. Rd1 (5:50) 3	Nf6 (5:53) 2
5. Bg2 (4:25) 0	c6 (4:25) 2	26. Ne6 (5:52) 2	Bf7 (5:56) 3	27. N:f8 (5:53) 1	K:f8 (5:56) 0
6. Nh3 (4:31) 6	Be7 (4:29) 4	28. Ng5 (5:54) 1	B:d5 (5:57) 1	29. Qb5 (5:55) 1	Rc8 (5:58) 1
7. b3 (4:34) 3	O-O (4:31) 2	30. Bf5 (5:56) 1	Bc6 (5:58) 0	31. Qc4 (5:56) 0	Bd5 (5:59) 1
8. O-O (4:36) 2	Bd7 (4:35) 4	32. Qd3 (5:57) 1	c4 (5:59) 0		
9. f3 (4:40) 4	dc (4:43) 8				
10. bc (4:40) 0	c5 (4:46) 3				
11. d5 (4:45) 5	ed (4:50) 4				
12. cd (4:47) 2	Bd6 (4:54) 4				
13. Bf4 (4:51) 4	Qc7 (5:02) 8				
14. Rb1 (4:58) 7	Nh5 (5:10) 8				
15. B:d6 (5:04) 6	Q:d6 (5:10) 0				



33. Qd4 (5:58) 1 Rc5? (6:00) 1  
34. Ne3+  
And black's flag fell.

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"A PRETTY WILD GAME"  
by Tom Schrade

RAM IV-Round 3  
April 19, 1975-Chapel Hill, N.C.

Tom Schrade 1392 Chris Kremer 1444

1. f4 d5  
2. Nf3 Nf6  
3. e3 e6  
Better are 3...g6, 3...Bg4, or  
3...Nc6.  
4. d4 c5  
5. c3 Nc6  
6. Bd3 Bd6  
7. Nbd2  
With the idea Nf1-g3.  
7. ... 0-0  
Castling right into the teeth of  
the coming storm.  
8. Nf1 cd  
9. cd Ne4  
Taking away black's only really  
good defensive piece.  
10. Ng3 f5  
11. Be4: de  
12. Ng5 h6  
Punching another hole in black's  
already porous king-side.  
13. Qh5!  
The knight cannot be taken: 13...  
hg?? 14.fg followed by g6 and  
black cannot save himself.  
13. ... Bb4+  
14. Kf2!  
This ends any hope for black  
counterplay.  
14. ... hg  
Due to white's new threat of h4!,  
this capture is now compulsory.  
15. fg Re8  
16. g6 Kf8  
17. Qh8+ Ke7  
18. Qg7:+ Kd6  
Now that black's king has been  
driven out into the open the next  
thing is to drive away black's  
protectors of the square e5.  
19. a3 Ba5  
20. b4 Bb6

21. b5 Na5  
These two pieces will be out  
of the game for good.

22. Qe5+ Kd7  
23. Na5?  
I should have played the move I  
had been thinking about—23.g7.

23. ... Qa4+  
24. Ng3 Rg8  
25. d5

Battering at the door again!

25. ... Ke8  
26. de f4  
Seems to win another piece, but...

27. Qf5!! fg+  
28. hg!!  
I've given Chris two knights; now I'm  
offering a rook. Of course it  
cannot be taken: 28...Qh1?? 29.Qf7+  
Kd8 30.e7+ Kc7 31.e8(Q)+. So Chris  
decides to get back into the game  
by returning some of his material.  
However, it's not enough, and it's  
only my carelessness that allows him  
to hang on as long as he does.

28. ... Rf8  
29. Qf8:+ Kf8:  
30. Rh4: Kg7  
31. Re4: Kg6:  
I'm three pawns up and yet I fail  
to put him away. How absurd can  
you get?

32. Bb2 Kf5  
33. Re5+ Kg6  
34. e7 Bd7  
35. Rd1 Be8  
36. Rd6+ Kf7  
37. Re4

Starting the weave of the mating  
net. At this moment, black is  
almost in zugzwang.

37. ... Bb5:  
38. Rf6+ Kg8  
39. Rg4+ Kh7  
40. Rf7+  
Stupid!! 40. Rf8 ends it all!

40. ... Kh6  
41. Bg7+ Kh5  
42. Rh4+ Kg6  
43. Rf8 Re8  
44. Rhh8 Kg7:  
45. Re8: Be8:  
46. Re8: Kf7

Even if he hadn't committed  
the following blunder, black  
was lost in any case. Those  
pawns are too much.

47. Rh8 Ke7:  
48. Kf3 Nc4  
49. Rh7+ Kf6  
50. Rb7: Ne3:??

That does it. What was wrong with  
taking the other pawn?

51. Rb6:+ ab  
52. Ke3: Kf5  
53. Kd4

And black resigns—one pawn is  
enough. This win gave me first  
place in my section.

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Modular Marathon Simultaneous  
April 10, 1975-Taylorsville, N.C.  
Notes by Bill Wall [and Lee Taylor]

Watt & Johnson Bill Wall

1. e4 e6  
2. d4 d5  
3. Nc3 Nc6

Not quite as good as the Winawer  
variation of 3...Bb4 or the Classi-  
cal 3...Nf6. This rare line was  
tried in Fischer-Petrosian match.

4. Bb5  
Knights before bishops so 4.Nf3 is  
most often played.

4. ... Bd7  
5. e5 Bb4  
6. Nf3 B:c3+  
7. bc

Although bishops are slightly strong-  
er than knights, this exchange  
allows black a target on the weak  
doubled pawns. [It also allows the  
win of a pawn with 7...N:e5!]

7. ... a6  
8. Bd3 f6

An attempt to free a cramped posi-  
tion with development.

9. c4 Nb4  
10. cd! N:d3+  
11. Q:d3! ed  
12. 0-0 Bb5?

Looks like a powerful pin but the  
attack is artificial as white has  
something more devastating.

13. Qe3! B:fl??  
14. e4+ Kf7  
15. Ng5+ Resigns

15...K:f6 is met with 16.Qe6 mate;  
15...Kf8 16.Ne5+ forking K and Q;  
15...Kg6 16.fg K:g7 17.Ne6 wins.

On June 28 the Carolinas Open  
returns to North Carolina. The  
following game features a North  
Carolinian versus a South Caro-  
linian. Hopefully it will serve  
as an inspiration to all Tar Heel  
players as we meet our southern  
neighbors over-the-board.

I fear, however, that few among  
the opposition will be as obliging  
as the loser of this game. And  
so, the editorial staff (me, myself,  
and I) has decided to title this  
game with the loser in mind.

We give you...

CHARLIE FINDS A KNIGHT MANEUVER

Crazy Horse Open  
June 16, 1972-Shelby, N.C.

Samsa NC Walters (2183) SC

1. e4 c5  
2. Nf3 d6  
3. d4 cd  
4. Nd4 Nf6  
5. Nc3 a6  
6. Bc4 e6  
7. Bb3 b5  
8. 0-0 Be7  
9. f4 0-0  
10. e5 de  
11. fe Nfd7  
12. Qf3 Ne5  
13. Qe4 Bc5  
14. Be3 Nbc6  
15. Nc6 Be3+  
16. Qe3 Nc6  
17. Rad1 Qc7  
18. Ne4 Qe5  
19. Qf3 Ra7  
20. c3 Ne7?

Bound to be the worst knight move  
Charlie had played since the 1970  
Carolinas Open when, playing the  
black pieces against Allan Burkett,  
he decided to "vary" on the fourth  
move against the Morra Gambit; the  
game went 1.e4 c5 2.d4 cd 3.c3 dc  
4.Nc3 Nf6? 5.e5 Ng1 and Allan  
prevailed.

21. Qf7+ 1:0  
If 21...Rf7 22.Rd8+ Rf8 23.Rf8  
mate.