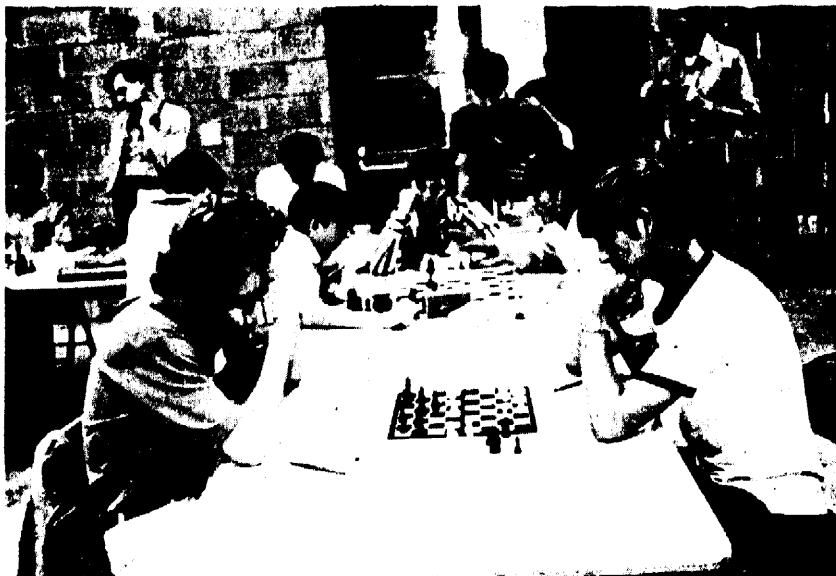


SPARTANBURG WINS SOUTH CAROLINA HIGH SCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIPS
--by R. O. Stucker, Camden



CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS — The annual S. C. State High School Chess Championships were held at Woodward Park Canteen Saturday with the largest number of schools participating in the 10-year history of the Tournament. Spartanburg High School, defending champion and 6 time tournament winner, took the trophy again, winning all 12 out of the 12 games played. Next came Lower

Richland with 10 games won; Easley with 9; and Camden and Greenville tying for 4th place with 8 games won out of 12. Because this was the most successful tournament yet, the Camden Recreation Department has been asked if it will host the tournament again next year, sponsored by the S. C. Chess Association.

(Chronicle photos)

Final standings of the annual event, played in three rounds by four-man teams in Camden, were as follows:

1. Spartanburg 12; 2. Lower Richland 10; 3. Easley 9; 4. Camden 8
4. (tie) Greenville 8; 6. Aiken 7 7. Keenan 6; 8. Berkeley (Monck's
Corner) 5; 9. Conway 4; 10 C. A. Johnson 4; 11. Gaffney 2½; 12. Ridge
Springs 1½; 13. Airport 1.

The annual event was started in 1962 in a six-team tournament; this year's entry was the largest ever. Spartanburg has been the most consistent winner, having won six times before. St. Andrew Parish of Charleston won twice in the early days; other winners have include d Brookland-Cayce and Dreher.

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BLISS WINS ATLANTIC COAST OPEN

Captain Robert Bliss of Charleston Air Force Base defeated Otto Estenger of Greenwood in the crucial game to win the Atlantic Coast Open in Columbia. Unfortunately the USC Club has not given use the remaining results, but we hope to have them for our next issue.

HIGH SCHOOL TOURNAMENT (CONTINUED)

A special event in this year's tournament was a simultaneous exhibition by Capt. Robert Bliss, S. C.'s only master. Bliss won 17 of 20 simultaneous games and drew 3. Bliss, who presented the exhibition gratis, also reviewed some of his games and instructed some of the young players. His colorful instruction was very well received, and his contribution is very much appreciated.

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EDITOR'S NOTE:

Due to a May vacation, and the need to get this issue out very quickly to publicize the several forthcoming tournaments, it is very scanty. Part two of the summer issue will be published at an indefinite later time.

Please note the additions to the Carolina Junior Open, as well as the other tournaments reported in this issue for the first time.

We picked up from CHESS LIFE AND REVIEW an announcement for the Gamecock Intercollegiate Tournament and published it in our last issue. It apparently was not held, nor were the proper arrangements made to hold it. Our apologies to anyone we may have inadvertently inconvenienced; angry letters should however be directed to the sponsor, the USC Chess Club.

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CHESS CALENDAR

Here is the latest S. C. Area Chess Calendar, including all tournaments known to be planned for this area in the coming year.

1972:

June 10-11: Carolina Junior Open, Aiken.#
June 17 (and 18) Crazy Horse, Shelby. (See attached Shelby Tournament leaflet.)
July 1-4: Southern Open, Atlanta.#
July 8-9: Asheville Open, Asheville.*
July 21-23: Carolinas Open, Beaufort.#
August 5-6: Duffer's Delight, Charlotte #
August 19: Alaric the Visigoth, Shelby. (See leaflet.)
Sept. 2-4: Georgia Open, Atlanta.*
October 7: Castle Club Open, Spartanburg#
October 14-15: CCA Tournament, Atlanta*
October 28: Gaffney Open, Gaffney #
November 18: Jenkins Ear Special, Shelby. (See leaflet.)

1973:

January: Sea Island Open, Beaufort.*
February 2-4: Groundhog Special, Charlotte*
March 17-18: Dogwood, Shelby.*
April 14: Greenville HS Open, Greenville #
May 12: S. C. High School Championships, Camden.*
May 26-27: Coastal Empire Open, Savannah.*
June 16: Crazy Horse, Shelby.*

Explanations:

Described elsewhere in this issue.
* Details presently unavailable, but date has been set.
Piedmont series of one-day, three-round, four-section events.

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CHARLES WALTER AND DOUGLAS CAIL IN PRISON!

No, snatching pawns has not become a felony. At the invitation of the administration of the Reidsville State Prison in Georgia, Walter, Cail, and GCA President Dr. K. B. Raut visited the prison on April 22, and Walter gave a simultaneous exhibition on 16 boards. Walter got 14 wins and a draw against the enthusiastic inmates, and lost to Cail. The newly formed prison club has asked for donations of literature; their address is "In-Mates Chess Club, Ga. State Prison, Reidsville, Ga. 30453".

The editor once belonged to a Univ. of California Radiation Lab team that had to struggle from behind to tie a match with San Quentin. Charles had better be ready for the great improvement likely in any future visit; those prison teams are tough, once they have been going for a while!

Spartanburg, S.C. Castle Open. 3-11-72 Jeff Hoffman T.D.

G. M. Smith Pres. S.C.C.A.

Opponents of forfeited games will be paired. If there is an odd player in any round he will stand by to play the winner of the first game finished in his section.. The player having played the extra game will not be paired in the next round unless a vacancy exists.

No.	Rate	Player	Address	1	2	3	4	5	Total
1	1817	Charles Walter	Columbia SC	W 6	W 3	D 2			2½
2	1907	Jeff Smeltzer	Greenville SC	W 7	W 4	D 1			2½
3	1727	Harry Lofton	Greenville SC	W 5	L 1	D 4			1½
4	1657	David Williams	Spartanburg SC	W 8	L 2	D 3			1½
5	1607	Harold Bush Jr.	Spartanburg SC	L 3	W 8	D 6			1½
6	1571	Norman McCurry	Spartanburg SC	L 1	W 7	D 5	W 25		2½
7		Bruce Surface	Johnson City Tenn	L 2	L 6	W 8			1
8	1699	H.E. Hudak	Aiken SC	L 4	L 5	L 7			0
9		David S. Smith	Decatur Ga.	W 13	W 11	W 10			3
10		Paul Tinkler	Greenwood SC	W 14	W 15	L 9			2
11		Bob Rockwell	Bluff City Tenn	W 16	L 9	W 13			2
12	1680	Louis Knoepp	Spartanburg SC	L 15	W 16	W 23			2
13	1566	Thomas Forster	Spartanburg SC	L 9	W 14	L 11			1
14		Judson Duffee	Columbia SC	L 10	L 13	W 15			1
15		Allen Meadors	Atlanta Ga	W 12	L 10	L 14			1
16		Clark Curry	Spartanburg SC	L 11	L 12	W 24			1
17	1407	John D Nichols	Johnson City Tenn	W 29	W 21	W 19			3
18		Gordon Plyler	Monroe NC	D 23	W 24	W 22			2½
19	1400	James M. Smith	Spartanburg SC	W 20	W 22	L 17			2
20	1584	Earl W. Jones	Shelby NC	L 19	W 23	W 21			2
21		William Wells	Greenville SC	W 28	L 17	L 20			1
22		Luis A. Alvarez	Due West SC	W 24	L 19	L 18			1
23	1401	Jeff Hoffman	Spartanburg SC	D 18	L 20	L 12			½
24	1573	John Bell	Inman SC	L 22	L 18	L 16			0
25	1200	James Greenway	Spartanburg SC	W 32	W 26	W 27	L 6		3
26		Neil Gosnell	Spartanburg SC	W 31	L 25	W 30			2
27		Manuel Schmettau	Spartanburg SC	W 30	W 31	L 25			2
28	1232	Ted A. Gavalis	Minersville Pa	L 21	W 29	D 31			1½
29		Larry Heavrin	Spartanburg SC	L 17	L 28	W 32			1
30	1190	Dennis Herald	Gaffney SC	L 27	W 32	L 26			1
31	1222	James Patterson	Gaffney SC	L 26	L 27	D 28			½
32	1303	Mark Cantrell	Spartanburg SC	L 25	L 30	L 29			0

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TOURNAMENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

CAROLINA JUNIOR OPEN, JUNE 10-11, Aiken, S. C.

Major Tournament: 5 Rd Swiss System Tournament at the Heritage Room of the Farmers and Merchants Bank, Park Ave. at Laurens St., Aiken, S. C. Open to all players born after September 1, 1951. Fully Rated, USCF and SCCA or other state memberships required. EF \$5. Time Limit 50/2. Prizes: Certificates and merchandise as follows: 1st: Chess set and assistance in attending Carolinas Open, Southern Open, or U. S. Junior Open. (Amount depends on prize fund.) 2nd: Chess clock. Age group prizes (books): Boys under 18; Boys under 16; Boys under 14; Senior girls; Girls 15 and under. (These ages are as of June 11.) Sponsors: SCCA, Aiken Recreation Dept. Registration: At the tournament site by 8:30 a. m. June 10, or in advance to M. L. Hyder, 33 Longwood Dr., Aiken, S. C. 29801.

Minor Tournament: Special knockout event for unrated players. No memberships required. EF \$1. Book prizes to winner and to age group winners. This tournament restricted to players under 19 years of age as of June 11; age groups are Under 17, Under 15, Under 13, Under 11. One prize only per winner, either tournament. Players in similar age groups will be paired in early rounds. Registration for the minor tournament will begin at 9 a. m. June 10; play will start at 10 a. m. and continue until a winner is declared. No advance registration.

CAROLINAS OPEN, JULY 21-23, Beaufort, S. C.

Five Round Swiss Tournament now in Three Sections! \$425 in prizes guaranteed! Open: \$200 1st, \$100 2nd, \$50 3rd. Reserve: \$50 1st, trophy second. Novice: \$25 1st, Trophy 2nd. Entry Fees: Open \$15 (Open to all) Reserve \$12 (1400-1699) Novice \$10 (1399 and under, or Unr.) \$2 discount on entry if received by July 18. Note the schedule now: The Open starts Friday night at 8:30; entries must be in by 8 p. m. This section plays only two rounds each day on Saturday and Sunday. The Reserve and Novice close registration on Saturday at 8:30 a. m. and start play at 9, playing 3 games Saturday and 2 Sunday. Time limits: Open: 45/2; Reserve: 45/1:45; Novice: 45/1:30. For the first time this year this tournament is being held on the big weekend of the Beaufort Water Festival, which means that there are activities going on all the time that will interest the whole family, so bring them along! It also means that you should arrange your accommodations early! Come one! Come all! Information: Douglas Cail, 1002 Paul Dr., Beaufort 29902. Tournament Directors: Bob Painter and Lee Hyder.

SOUTHERN OPEN, ATLANTA, JULY 1-4. 7 Rd SS in three sections. Open: EF \$20, Prizes \$320-160-80, \$120 to top A. Amateur (Ratings 1799 or below): EF \$15, Prizes \$160-80-40, Top C \$60. Reserve (Ratings 1399 or under): EF \$10, Prizes \$100-50-25. Trophies to winner each section, top Jr. in Open. Entry fees include SCA Dues, crosstable to be sent all participants. Early entries (before June 24) will be put in a drawing for two chess clocks. Site: Atlanta American Hotel, Spring St. at Carnegie Way, Atlanta 30003. Registration: 10-1:30 July 1; Rounds 2-8, 1-7, 1-7, 9. Special hotel rates \$17 single/\$20 double. For hotel reservations and early entry write Richard Haas, Box 32634, Decatur, Ga. 30032.

DUFFER'S DELIGHT

August 5-6

Charlotte, N. C.

5-SS, 40/90 minutes, Camelot Apartments Club House, 1425 Eastcrest Drive (off Central Avenue) Charlotte, N. C. Open to Classes B, C, D, E, and unrated players. Permanent adjudication after 4½ hours of play. E.F., \$8.00; U.S.C.F. membership required, NCCA membership required (\$1.00 for those joining the 1st time), other state memberships honored. First place, \$60.00, other awards as entries permit. Trophies in every class and ladies trophy. Tie-break on trophies only. Rounds, 10-3-8, 9-2. Reg. ends 9:30 A.M., August 5. Bring sets and clocks. Ent: R. Grady Brown, 3921 Woodleaf Road, Charlotte, N. C. 28205

We need the address of Charles Smith who played in the Atlantic Coast Open.

OFFICIAL USCF RATINGS OF SOUTH CAROLINA CHESS PLAYERS

Compiled for SCCA NEWS from January and March rating lists by David Williams and J. M. Smith of Spartanburg.

MASTERS		57. B. Pace	1437
1. R. Bliss	2255	58. P. Moore	1429
EXPERTS		59. O. Duckett	1417
2. O. Estenger, Sr.	2085	60. J. Boettcher	1414
3. L. Hyder	2017	61. J. Hoffman	1401
CLASS A		62. J. M. Smith	1400
4. S. Mathews	1922	63. T. Herold (CL. D)	1399
5. J. Smeltzer	1907	64. H. Kelley	1396
6. E. Gabuyo	1904	65. R. Stucker	1396
7. C. E. Braun	1863	66. J. Creal	1395
8. J. Thompson	1819	67. C. Allen	1390
9. C. Walter	1817	68. W. Biggins	1387
10. J. Inman	1815	69. B. Blanton	1366
CLASS B		70. T. Ammerman	1365
11. E. Garvin	1787	71. B. McCalley	1347
12. D. Hawthorne	1768	72. D. Lowder	1345
13. J. Yates	1750	73. R. Flynn	1343
14. H. Lofton	1727	74. P. Roddick	1338
15. V. Smith	1717	75. H. Horres	1322
16. D. Purvis	1708	76. F. Knetsche	1308
17. H. Hudak	1699	77. M. Cantrell	1303
18. D. Cail	1697	78. R. Scott	1297
19. W. Donaldson	1696	79. G. Greiner	1292
20. R. Painter	1695	80. M. Baxley	1290
21. J. Baker	1690	81. R. Bart	1278
22. L. Knoepp	1680	82. J. Kollmeyer	1274
23. W. Stevens	1679	83. T. Adams	1271
24. J. Ulrich	1672	84. M. Smith	1267
25. C. Young	1660	85. A. Woodson	1266
26. R. Ramsey	1657	86. M. Pearson	1254
27. D. Williams	1657	87. M. Baxley	1248
28. W. Putnam	1633	88. D. McCarter	1247
29. D. Morse	1626	89. C. Harr	1240
30. P. Clements	1610	90. H. Newell	1229
31. H. Bush	1607	91. J. Patterson	1222
CLASS C		92. C. Morrow	1218
32. J. Bell	1573	93. J. Greenway	1200
33. N. McCurry	1571	CLASS E	
34. J. Andrews	1570	94. D. Morgan	1197
35. T. Forster	1566	95. D. Herald	1190
36. O. Calleino	1556	96. M. Hazeres	1185
37. D. Hagler	1555	97. D. Skinner	1181
38. W. Patterson	1544	98. O. Estenger, Jr.	1114
39. W. Thompson	1544	99. A. Staggs	1105
40. S. Ramirez	1537	100. L. Spencer	1101
41. R. Strickland	1536	101. R. Denmark	1081
42. K. Yost	1536	102. K. Simpson	1044
43. J. Bailey	1535	103. T. Palmer	1042
44. J. Barr	1535	104. J. Pack	1037
45. W. Reed	1520	105. J. Moore	949
46. F. Cole	1512	106. E. Vincent	942
47. W. Shoemaker	1509	107. S. Lopez	921
48. R. Robart	1496	108. L. Moore	898
49. F. Nieberding	1491	109. L. Galliard	783
50. H. Funderburk	1490	110. S. Weston	739
51. G. Miller	1483	111. D. Plateau	712
52. A. Gunn	1474	112. M. Hillian	659
53. H. Edwards	1452	113. And. Fruster	655
54. M. Farmer	1449	114. Am. Fruster	648
55. R. Wood	1446		
56. J. Boan	1439		

Hometowns of S. C. Players (Dec., 1971): Spartanburg 16; Columbia 13; Greenville, Aiken, Hartsville 9; N. Augusta 8; Gaffney 7; Charleston, Beaufort 5; Sumter, Florence, Darlington, Greenwood 4. (From SCCA records)

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