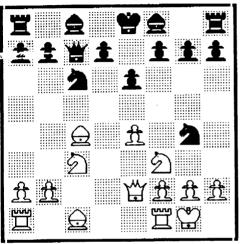
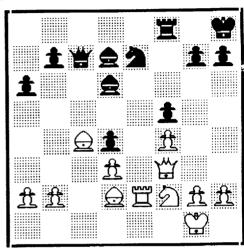
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Notes from the Editor

It's fall again! Time for our annual State Championships, and for another issue of Palmetto Chess. I'd like to thank the contributors to this issue who have made it possible for it to be more than a dry report of wins and final standings. Pat Hart, Bill Floyd, Theo Schudel, John McCrary, and David Williams have given us special contributions that will, I believe, interest you as greatly as they have interested me. We also have a thought-provoking article by our President. Doug Holmes, who presents his vision of what South Carolina chess might be if the individual clubs make it happen. And there is, in fact, some evidence that an expanded tournament calendar may come into being, with a new event being scheduled for Hilton Head in December.

I would like to encourage any and all of you to contribute to *Palmetto Chess*. Your experiences while playing chess will be interesting to others, and may contribute to their enjoyment of the game. You may have an idea about a game, an opening, or an ending that you would like to share with us. Write it down, and send it in! Many years ago, while editing my high school paper, I parodied the New York *Times* with the motto, "All the news that fits, we print." In *Palmetto Chess* I'll go beyond that, and run extra pages if I must to make it fit!

A lot of the material in this issue was obtained through the USA Today computer bulletin board, or from our exchanges with other local chess magazines. I hope to expand our exchanges to obtain access to a wider range of material. The material from the bulletin boards is representative of a much wider range of material, which is available to all who have a personal computer and access to the bulletin boards via a phone line. It's not free. but it's inexpensive compared to travel, or to the costs of magazines and books. If many of our clubs get on to a bulletin board, it will open up a very rapid method of communication for chess news around the state, as well as make possible activities that are presently impractical. We might, for example, renew our long-abandoned team match against North Carolina through this medium!

For those of you who are not computer users, but are interested in expanding your knowledge of chess through books, we offer a number of book reviews in this issue that were obtained from outside sources. We receive books for review periodically, and I would like to have some volunteers for reviews. It pays a free book! Also, if you buy a book and it interests you, write a short review! We'll be glad you did!

--Lee Hyder

News from Around South Carolina

Hart, Blanks Win in Charleston

Patrick Hart and Lindsay Blanks played a draw in the final round, and finished in a tie for first place in the eleventh annual Charleston Classic Tournament in August. Each scored 4¹/2 points in the five round event. A three way tie for second included John Vonderlieth, Andre Osumi, and Steven Esh, each at 4 points.

A total of 39 players entered the tournament, held at the Trident Technical College. Our SCCA President, Doug Holmes, was the Director.

A complete cross-table of the tournament is included elsewhere in this issue.

Chess Activity at Seneca: Cooley (and Others) are Winners

The Clouseau #1, played in Seneca (near Clemson, SC), on April 27, was won by Allen Cooley of Clemson, and Dale Reynolds of Fayetteville, NC, each with a score of 2-1. (Dale had a lot of practice time in the Saudi Arabian desert during the Desert Shield/Desert Storm campaign.) Cooley organized and directed the tournament.

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The NOVA #1, played in Seneca on May 18th, was won jointly by Allen Cooley and Randy Lovelace of King, NC. Each scored $2^{1/2}$ - $^{1/2}$. However, the TD, Cooley, took on two opponents each round because there was an odd number, 7, of players registered; his total score for the day was $5^{1/2}$ - $^{1/2}$!

The two winners each received \$55 for their efforts. The tournament was organized and directed by Cooley, whose NOVA tournaments have continued; we hope to have additional reports in our next issue in January.

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News from Spartanburg by David Williams

Chess Sponsors Soccer!

The Spartanburg Chess Club has been sponsoring an AYSO soccer team. We have our name on the banner of the team, which is called the "Golden Knights". We felt this would be good publicity, since more than 1600 AYSO kids and parents in the Spartanburg area may see it at some time during the season.

I visited the Topeka, Kansas, chess club last March. Topeka is about the size of (Continued page 4)

News from Around South Carolina

Spartanburg by Williams (Cont.)

Columbia. They only had five people there the night I visited. They were perhaps the most inactive bunch I've ever run across. I don't think they believed me when in answer to a question about the size of our club I said "about 20 per week".

I was able to visit the World Open briefly this year. Goichberg, the director, was using an electronic message board outside the TD room to communicate with players. I was quite impressed with the idea, although to tell the truth, it conveyed very little information. A strange incident occurred when two of the top players got into an argument, apparently over the choice of set. One of these guys, a Russian who spoke no English, allegedly threatened to beat up his opponent. (Apparently they had shared bad blood before.) The TD decided to break the pairing and give them new opponents. This led one American GM to quip, "Gee, if I don't like my opponent all I have to do is threaten to beat him up, and I'll get to play someone else!"

Our Spartanburg club meets Tuesday 7:30-10:30 at the Spartanburg Arts Center on South Spring Street. Come and join us there!



A Comment on the Smith-Morra Gambit

Dr. Steven Shaw, former S. C. Champion now resident in Miami, calls our attention to the analysis of the Smith-Morra Gambit in the June 25 issue of *Inside Chess*. Dr. Shaw praises this publication, a sentiment which your editor shares!

The analysis in question comes from the Soviet master and analyst Boris Schipkov. It runs as follows:

1 e4 c5 2 d4 cxd4 3 c3 dxc3 4 Nxc3 Nc6 5 Nf3 e6 6 Bc4 Nf6 7 O-O Qc7 8 Qe2 Ng4.



Black threatens Nd4, and White must act quickly. A knight move seems best:

A. 9 Nd5!? Qb8! 10 g3 d6 11 h3 Nge5 12 Bb5 Bd7 13 Bxc6 Nxf3+ 14 Qxf3 bxc6 with Black advantage. (15 Nf4? e5 16 Nh5 Bxh3 17 Rd1 Qc8 18 Bg5 Bg4 19 Qh1 Bxd1 20 Rxd1 Qg4 0-1, Horvath-Schipkov, 1989.) (Continued on page 7)

President's Page

By Doug Holmes

This may be my last President's Page, so let's make it exciting. I say this, as I don't think I will be running again for SCCA President. A couple of quick reasons: I have been very perturbed at the problems caused by the inactivity of Don Lemaster, SCCA Secretary; and, I am starting work on a Masters' Degree in math this fall.

However, as I leave office, I would like to leave you with a few optimistic things to think about. I talked with NM Mark Hoshor from Savannah yesterday. He has some interesting ideas for chess in the southeast, and the South Carolina area in particular. I have expanded them a little, and will now present to you a plan to improve chess in the Southeast.

We would like to see the clubs from Savannah, Charleston, Augusta, Columbia, Myrtle Beach, and perhaps Jacsonville start a small southeastern chess circuit. Each club would sponsor two tournaments a year. The dates would be spread out so as to have about one tournament a month. After a couple of years, we could have quite a schedule worked out.

How about a Southeastern Chess Circuit? There would be 12 tournaments each year: one tournament a month in six different cities. Each tournament would be very similar to the Charleston Snowstorm. This would be a five round open Swiss, 35/90, G/60; \$20 advance entry, \$25 at the door; \$200 first place, \$100 second place, and \$100 for first in each class. That is how the Snowstorm is going to be run this February. Think about the following dream schedule:

Jan .- Landmark tmt, Myrtle Beach

Feb.- Snowstorm, Charleston

Mar.- Can-Am, Myrtle Beach

Apr. - New tmt, Savannah May - S. C. Open, Columbia

June - New tmt, Augusta

July - New tmt, Jacksonville or Greenville

Aug. - Classic, Charleston

Sep. - New tmt, Augusta

Oct. - S. C. Championship, Columbia Nov. - New tmt, Jacksonville or

Greenville

Dec. - New tmt, Hilton Head or Savannah (See coming events!)

The S. C. Championship would be in the current format.

We could have our own little "Grand Prix" of sorts. Points would be awarded for participating and for results. Each class could have Southern Prix prizes awarded at the end of the year. Mark Horshor has already volunteered to do a newsletter to remind people of the upcoming (Continued next page)

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tournaments. He would probably be willing to print crosstables and keep up with the Southern Prix points. (They could be printed here, too. --Ed) Each tournament could donate \$50 to a Southern Prix prize fund for a total of \$600. There could even be a prize, which I might be willing to donate, to be split among those that play in every tournament.

What is needed most is cooperation from the players. If you want tournament chess in the South to expand, then you must support it. You must make every effort to go to as many tournaments as possible. We have many players in this area who have the bad habit of playing only in their own hometown tournament, and they wonder why no one from out of town ever comes to their tournament. We must support each other. We must encourage other players to travel to other tournaments with us. We will never expand if we are not willing to make a 2-4 hour trip and stay overnight to play chess.

One last note, make friends in the other towns. When they come to play in your town, invite them to stay with you. It saves them a hotel room and they feel more welcome. I usually have someone stay with me for both our tournaments. Of course, they may

make the same offer to you when you go to their town.

The following is the new prize fund for the Charleston Tournaments starting in February, 1992. The first column is the prize fund based on 50 people. The middle column is what would be paid out if only 40 showed up, and the last column is the amount if only 30 showed up. Notic that there is a little surplus at the bottom that could go to cover such things as a Southern Prix prize fund. This format for the prize fund, along with a 35/90 G/60 time limit, should prove very successful.

Prizes based on 50 players:

1st: \$200, 2nd \$150;

A, B, C, U1400: \$100 each

Entries: \$1000 Prizes: \$750

Ratings, TD Fee: \$112.50

Surplus: \$137.50

Prizes based on 40 players:

1st: \$146, 2nd 109.50 A, B, C, U1400: \$73 each

Entries: \$800 Prizes: 547.50

Ratings, TD Fee: \$100

Surplus: \$152.50

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Prizes based on 30 players:

1st: \$100, 2nd \$75 A, B, C, U1400 \$50 each

Entries: \$600 Prizes: \$375

Ratings, TD Fee: \$87.50

Surplus: \$137.50

In these calculations entries are calculated at the advance entry fee of \$20, prizes are the minimum guarantees, rating fees are the maximum if all games are played, and the surplus can be used for other expenses, club profit, or additional prize moneys including the Southern Prix awards.

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Smith-Morra Gambit, Continued

B. 9 Nb5 Qb8 10 h3 h5 11 g3 a6. Now the best may be 12 Nc3 Nge5 13 Nxe5 Nxe5 14 Bf4 Bd6 15 Bb3 h4 a6 Kg2 hxg3 17 fxg3 Ng6 18 Bxd6 Qxd6 19 Rad1 Qe5. Black has a good game. Or14 Bb3 b5 15 f4 Nc4 16 Bxc4 bxc4 17 Qxc4 Qb4 18 Qb2 Bb7; Black has a good form of the Taimanov variation of the Sicilian Defense.

Thanks to Dr. Shaw for calling this to our attention. All of us join in wishing him well in his new home!

Bits & Pieces

Anyone going to Canada? The following information was obtained through the USA Today Forum:

Information regarding chess tournaments in Canada may be found in the magazine, En Passant, which is the official organ of the Chess Federation of Canada. It appears every 2 months. The most recent (August) issue lists 16 tournaments up to November. The CFC address is:

2212 Gladwin Cres., E-1(b) Ottawa, Ontario, K1B 5N1 tel.: (613) 733-2844

Tournaments in the province of Quebec are run under the auspices provincial the FQE. the which, for all organization practical purposes, is not affiliated the national organization. Information about tournaments in Quebec can be found in their publication, Echecs+. The address is:

Editions Echecs+, C.P. 640, Succursale "C",
Montreal, P.Q. H2L 4L5

My Friend, Chester the Jester

By Theo Schudel

"Are you a salesman? Only a salesman would make a dumb move like that." Once again, Chester the talking chess computer has jumped on my case without remorse or compassion. Along with such barbed remarks such as "Boy, you really blew that one." or "I knew you'd mess up.", he methodically rips into my defense and dares me to do something about it. I have challenged this almost human piece of plastic almost daily for about a year and still remain in awe of his ability despite his nasty personality.

I am the blind chess player many of vou have seen and played in tournaments throughout Carolinas. You have noted the special chessboard and pegged chessmen along with my braille clock. With this equipment I can enjoy the game of chess both in tournament competition and friendly games at home and at the local club. Now you want to know how a talking chess computer can be of use? At first when I was presented with this little monster, I was not sure just how it could be done either. However, with the help of several friends we put together a simple but practical idea similar to the pegged board I normally use.

First, a piece of plexiglass was cut to fit flush with the surface of the

computer and then we glued some outside corner molding around the outside edges to keep it in place. The outline of the chessboard itself was outlined with dymo tape. We then drilled sixty-four one inch width holes through the plexiglass at the center of each square. To locate areas of the chessboard itself. I placed a small pop rivet on the dymo tape at points around the board such as between D1 and E1, D8 and E8, etc., and one directly in the center. The black squares were counter sunk slightly to allow my fingers to tell where they were.

I found a small pegged set which matched up with the small board. By pressing down on the chess piece it would touch the sensor on the surface of the computer. Eight holes were also drilled at the bottom of the 'overlay' where the function sensors are located. Using a small sucker stick these sensors are put to work. We are now ready to play. I flip on the power switch, set the level of play at sixteen hundred, touch the move assist sensor and Chester says "It's your move." I pick up the pawn on E2 and press it down on E4. Chester announces his move and returns with C7 to C5 and heads into the Sicilian Defense.

I hope this descriptive prose will give you a picture of how I utilize Chester's talents without taking a chance on doing any damage to the computer itself. After several games, all of which I lost, I developed the (Continued next page)

Chester the Jester (Cont.)

technique necessary to play and not knock over the chess pieces on the board. I believe that anyone with a visual problem, no matter to what degree, would be able to play chess with Chester. There is also great possibilities for a beginner as there is a coaching mode as well as asking for a suggestion from Chester himself.

The smart mouth little runt deserves a pat on the back once in awhile, although not often I assure you. He paid me a compliment four months ago but I haven't another since. It must have gotten lost somewhere in a printed circuit or microchip. However, I have learned a thousand new moves and improved my game considerably since he joined the household. I must acknowledge a great job of engineering by someone in the field of computers for this tantalizing little fellow.

Epilog... I went to Columbus, Ohio for the U. S. Blind Open this past June. I managed to scratch a win and ·a bye in five rounds. The bye may have been a blessing as the talent there was amazing. I have far greater success with you sighted players! There were six players who brought their Chester along and we got together to talk about how we utilize the unit. Most used braille markings on dymo tape and then touch the squares with a finger before transferring the move to a second peg set board. This takes up a lot of space and time to set up and all agreed my

method was tops. Most agreed that I must be a genius or at least a M. I. T. graduate engineer. I accepted all compliments with modest humbleness, of course I seek no fame or fortune, just notoriety and cash. I did enjoy the tournament immensely and am looking forward to going back next year. They take their game seriously and are a great bunch of guys.

I am looking forward to the S. C. Championship in October. Hopefully, I'll "put a whipping" on a few of you. You all have been very helpful to me and my game and I am thankful for the opportunity to play and be a member of the South Carolina Chess Association.

Hooked-(Up?) by Pat Hart

Since I last suggested that the chess clubs (and chessplayers) in South Carolina should get electronically hooked-up to keep in touch in the 90's, not much has happened, or so it seems. Well, the price of stamps has risen (again) and can only go up. And Aiken. Charleston, currently Savannah, and Hilton Head (?) are through Today online USA SportsCenter (1-800-826-9688) -- the 'chess network'.

All you need is a computer + modem + software and you can instantly reach out and touch someone much cheaper than U.S. Mail, depending on the Bulletin Board Service (BBS) in (See BBS, next page)

GAMES FROM CHARLESTON

Harrison (1907)- Collins (Unr.)

1 d4 d5 2, c4 N-f6 3, N-c3 c6 4, cxd cxd 5, N-f3 N-c6 6, B-f4 e6 7, e3 Bb4 8. O-b3 N-e4 9. B-d3 Nxc3 10. bxc3 B-e7 11. O-O O-O 12. c4 dxc4 13. Oxc4 N-b4 14. Rf-c1 Nxd3 15. Oxd3 B-d6 16. Bxd6 Oxd6 17. O-b5 b6 18. N-e5 B-b7 19. R-c2 Rf-c8 20. Ra-c1 Rxc2 21, Rxc2 f6 22, N-d3 Be4 23. R-c3 a6 24. O-b2 Bxd3 25. Rxd3 R-c8 26, R-c3 Rxc3 27, Oxc3 b5 28. h3 K-f7 29. K-f1 b4 30. O-d3 g6 31, O-c4 a5 32, K-e2 O-d5 33, Kd3 K-e8 34. e4 O-d7 35. Oa6 a4 36. O-b6 b3 37, axb axb 38, Oxb3 K-f7 39. O-c4 O-d6 40. O-c5 Oa6+ 41. Ke3 O-b7 42. O-c4 f5 43. d5 O-b6+ 44. O-d4 O-b3+ 45. K-f4 fxe4 46. Kxe4 O-b1+ 47. K-f3 O-f6+ 48. Ke3 Oxd5 49. DRAW

Osumi (1989)- Woodbury(1667)

1. e4 c5 2. N-f3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nxd4 N-f6 5. N-c3 a6 6. B-c4 e6 7. B-e3 B-d7 8. a4 N-c6 9. O-O O-c7 10. B-a2 B-e7 11. f4 e5 12. N-f5 Bxf5 13. exf5 O-O 14. N-d5 Nxd5 15. Bxd5 N-b4 16. B-b3 Ra-d8 17. c3 N-c6 18. O-h5 N-a5 19. B-c2 B-f6 20. R-f3 N-c4 21. R-h3 h6 22. B-c1 e4 23. Bxe4 Rf-e8 24. Q-f3 Q-b6+ 25. K-fl R-e7 26. a5 Nxa5 27. g4 Rd-e8 28. B-e3 O-b5+ 29. K-g1 Rxe4 30. B-f2 N-b3 31. g5 Oxf5 32. gxf6 Nxa1 33, fxg7 Oxf4 34, Oxf4 Rxf4 35. B-d4 R-e1+ 36. K-g2 R-g4+ 37. K-f2 R-e6 38. K-f3 R-g6 39. c4 N-c2 40. B-c3 R-e3 41. RESIGNS

Altman - Brown

1. e4 c5 2. c4 N-c6 3. N-f3 d6 4. N-c3 g6 5. b3 B-g7 6. B-b2 N-f6 7. d4 cxd 8. Nxd4 O-O 9. Q-d2 B-d7 10. O-O-O a6 11. f4 R-c8 12. f5 N-g4 13. h3 B-h6 14. hxg4 Bxd2+ 15. Rxd2 Nxd4 16. Rxd4 b5 17. fxg fxg 18. R-d3 Bxg4 19. R-g3 R-f4 20. N-d5 Rxe4 21. B-d3 bxc 22. bxc Rexc4+ 23. Bxc4 Rxc4+ 24. K-b1 B-f5+ 25. K-a1 R-e4 26. N-e3 Q-a5 27. Nxf5 R-e1+ 28. B-c1 Rxh1 29. Nxe7+ K-g7 30. Nf5+ Qxf5 31. R-c3 Q-e5 32. K-b2 Rxc1 33. Kxc1 Qxc3+ 0-1

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which you are a subscriber. And, the SCCA will reimburse our USCF chess clubs for their initial signup fee for USA Today... Columbia? Greenville-Spartanburg? Myrtle Beach?

I would also ask that if you belong to any of the other BBSes such as: America Online, CompuServe, Delphi, GEnie, Prodigy, etc., especially if you belong to a local club, please send in your mailing address to the editor. We do not need everyone on the same network to link up!

(On the next page we have a list of BBS addresses, as well as some information from the USA Today BBS on these systems.)

Electronic Chess Bulletin Boards (BBS Systems)

by Walter H. Wood, Berkeley, CA

Editor's Note: The following was obtained in part from the chess forum on the USA Today computer network. After reading it, I contacted Mr. Wood by electronic mail and obtained additional explanatory material which is included.

I have had several inquiries about my list of chess computer bulletin board systems, as given below. My list is simply an incomplete list based on what information people send me and my experience. There are probably many more chess BBSs than the ones I have listed, and I welcome any additional information anyone would care to send me for the next update. The opinions expressed as to the merits of any particular listing are my own.

WWIV net, referred to in this list, is just one of several networked computer bulletin board systems. It spans the U.S. and Canada and I am the system operator of node 5054 in Berkeley, CA. Users and Sysops of WWIVnet boards can send E-mail to any user on any other WWIVnet board, and posts can be shared between all WWIVnet boards on a variety of topics by carrying or hosting messages subs. "Chessmaster's Corner" is one such sub hosted by Charles Rostedt's WWIV node 2370 in Long Beach.

It is currently available on a growing list of WWIV nodes including mine. The subjects discussed have ranged over the entire breath of chess. The participants range from tyro to masters.

The advantage of such BBS networks for correspondence chess is that there is usually no cost to the user if he can reach a node with a local call. Correspondence chess can be done by E-mail faster than the post office (and without paying for stamps). found that E-mail travels many "hops" per day and I usually receive mail within one day or two of the date it was sent. The mail is not as private as the post office (sysops could read mail going through their nodes) but for this kind of thing who cares! Sometimes a clog in the net occurs when someone has a hard drive crash. Sometimes the line is busy to the BBS you are calling. None of these seem to be serious problems.

So far no national correspondence chess organization has embraced this as a standard medium of play (except maybe APCT's activity here on USA Today). There are some minor problems I have noticed, like not having a postcard record of each move to resolve disputes. If you really worry about that just send a copy of the whole scoresheet with each new move. Time limits can be very similar to chess by postcard.

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I think the WWIV net has some advantages over USA Today because there is no cost to send moves, and the time limits can be more flexible. I have sent an inquiry to Helen Warren of APCT as to whether that organization wants to venture into chess on the WWIV net, but so far I have not heard from her.

I hope this info is helpful!

Walter Wood, Sysop, The Berkeley WWIV BBS (510) 486-0795

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1. WWIV node 2370, "The Chess Hotline" Long Beach Calif. 213-634-8549 Sysop Charlie Ronstadt (1@2370)

"The Chess Hot Line" BBS is devoted entirely to chess. Host of the WWIV netted sub "Chessmaster's Corner" which is carried by other WWIV nodes nationwide. \$10 registration fee allows access to a "registered users private directory" of files for downloading. First download the list of files available called FILES.LST. Has BBS Chess as a door.

2. WWIV node 5054 (node 4559 before Sept 1, 1991), "The Berkeley WWIV BBS" phone 510-486-0795 in Berkeley, CA Sysop Walter Wood (1@5054)

No registration fees, no file upload/download ratios. BBS Chess door for correspondence chess. Carries all WWIV netted message bases pertaining to chess including node 2370 "Chessmaster's Corner" and others. Many chess utilities and databases for downloading.

- 3. WWIV node 8373, The ChessBoard [813-754-6043] Sysop Dr. Syn (1@8373) 300/1200/2400 24 Hours/7 days Location: Plant City, Fl "Your 24 Hour Electronic Chess Club" "Once a Knight is not enough" Local message bases, net message bases, 3 chess doors, chess files, programs, etc. Devoted to chess, and only chess.
- 4. WWIV node 5409, High Tech BBS (504) 837-7941 in Metairie, LA, Sysop Andy Anderson.
- 5. Other WWIV nodes which carry "Chessmaster's Corner" as of 8/25/91 are listed below. Phone numbers for WWIV nodes are available by typing "B" at the main menu of any WWIV net BBS followed by "N" for the net listing.

2369, 2585, 3302, 3355, 5050, 5264, 5272, 5400, 5491, 6971, 7448, 9964, 9979, 9980

(You may also ask the Sysop of any WWIV node to carry "Chessmaster's Corner" subtype 12370. The Sysop may or may not agree to your request.) (Continued next page)

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- Strategy and Tactics Unite, 714-458-0818. Sysop: Stuart Cracraft. Chess discussion and online chess games using graphical CHESSCOM program (available on system) for dial in. Supports 1200/2400 baud. Up 24 per day. Storage: hours megabytes. Forum areas: 10. (Dear Good Entertainment. Abbv. Unclassified ads, etc.) Sponsor: The Computer Chess Gazette. No charge, but donations suggested.
- 7. Data line: 714-458-0818. Voice line: 714-770-8532. Fidonet BBSs.

This is a network with similarities to WWIV, which now has the "International Chess Echo" moderated by Tim Eichman. This echo is somewhat unusual in that correspondence games are conducted in the public view instead of E-mail. Andy Anderson from High Tech BBS is working to establish a gateway between Fido's "International Chess Echo" and WWIV net.

8. "Chess Horizons BBS" 203-596-1443 Waterbury Connecticut. Sysop Rob Roy.

No registration fees, no file upload/download ratios. BBS- Chess door.

FidoNet 1:141/580. Over 400 files available. Many shareware and public domain chess programs, backgammon

and other games also. Chess annotations by Senior Master Rick Bauer. Connecticut Chess News by Rob Roy. Chess articles by chess expert Glenn Budzinski. Over 275 users worldwide.

- 9. The Chess Board, Lousisville, KY 502-935-4308. BBS Chess, GT software, no user fees, Sysop: Ed Phelps
- 10. "Let's Play Chess" Texas 512-244-3349. Further information not available.
- 11. "Austin Chess Studio" Austin Texas. 512-448-4861 Sysop Eldridge Patteson.

FidoNet 1:382/52. BBS-Chess after a call-back verify procedure.

- 12. THE ROUND TABLE, Sysop Isreal Silverman. TurboChess Door. Brooklyn NY, 718-951-6652.
- 13. Flightline of Dbase, 209-551-2227 in Modesto, CA has a TurboChess Door
- 14. USA-TODAY Sports Network. Originally the "LINC", which was taken over by USA Today. Many features of interest to chess players and many chess users from around the world. Cumbersome, slow, frustrating menu navigated system which is not very responsive to its user's (Continued nest page)

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suggestions for improvement. Very nice software with graphic chess diagrams for your correspondence games. Call 800-826-9688 for membership information and costs. Usually access through Tymnet or Telenet.

- 15. The Sierra Network, an online chess system with graphics similar to USA Today except for a flat rate fee of \$11.95 per month. For more information call 1-800-SIERRA-1 (M-F 8-5 Pacific time)
- 16. CompuServe. a chess forum exists, no information available.
- 17. Usenet. a chess forum exists, no information available.
- 18. GEnie. a chess forum exists.

This list is not complete. If anyone has additional information or corrections about Chess BBSs, please leave E-mail to 1@5054 on the WWIV network (before 9/1/91 leave E-mail to 1@4559)

An Elementary Note from the Editor:

Even for those of us who have a home computer, the idea of using it for communication is strange enough to make a person nervous! It takes: a

serial port on your computer, a modem, and a connection to your telephone line. Every BBS system has its own mysteries. However, with a good communications program, it turns out to be pretty easy. The main problem, for most, will be that the modem ties up the phone line when in use. I've found it best to hook up late at night when no other calls are expected. For those systems a long distance call away, this gives the best rates, too.

Addresses of area players on BBS systems:

Here are some of the players and organizers in the South Carolina area who can be reached via computer bulletin board systems:

Patrick Hart, Charleston: GEnie address = P.HART4

Mark Hoshor, Savannah: USA Today address = NM-HOSHOR

Doug Holmes, Charleston: USA Today address = DOUG27

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Let's keep a running record of who is where, particularly those who are contacts for clubs, and print in each issue of Palmetto Chess along with each club's meeting information, mailing address, etc.—Pat Hart

POSITION ANALYSIS

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Recently, I spent several hours studying the position after 21 Rxe2 in the game Nimzowitsch-Rubinstein, Dresden 1926. This game is used by Ludek Pachman to show how white used a maneuver to take advantage of his "winning advantage". Pachman's analysis can be found, for those interested, on page 13 of Complete Chess Strategy. Volume I.

of Complete Chess Strategy, Volume I. Pachman starts his analysis after black's 17th

move in the position shown below:



As I often do in reviewing games in chess books, I spent more time testing the annotator's premise than I did learning from the game. That's probably why I am not a stronger player -- too much critic and not enough student.

However, in this case, I cannot find a line that "refutes my refutation" of Pachman's analysis. The analysis Continues as follows:

18 Nh1 Bd7

19 Nf2 Rae8 20 R1e1 Rxe2

21 Rxe2

This reaches the following position from which Pachman contends Black is lost:



From this position (before my move 21...Ne7) Rubinstein played 21...Nd8 which is played presumably to prevent white from playing a later Nf7+ or Ne6 with a nasty fork. Pachman doesn't even comment on the move. My analysis shows that this may well be the losing move for Black and not only was he not lost in the first position above, but may have even stood slightly better!!

My challenge to you is to find a win for White that I cannot refute after 21...Ne7!

I won't share all my analysis at this time but I will give a move pair that shows the crux of the main line. You are however, free to try a different plan after Black's 21st move as recommended by me. White's best appears to be 22 Nh3 followed by Black's reply h3.

I intend to publish resulting analysis on this if there is sufficient analysis and interest. Please send your comments and analysis to me at 4315 Devereaux Road, Columbia, SC 29205.

Do any of you SCCA readers have an interesting position that you would like to analyze in depth? If so, send that to me also, with notes of interest.

Book Reviews by Eric Schiller

(USA Today Chess BBS)

Chess Enterprises, Inc., of Coraopolis, PA, continues to supply the chess world with quality books at very low prices. Most of their offerings are devoted to the openings, and this summer's releases are no exception.

1. The Classical Dragon by Jeremy Silman and John Donaldson. (\$12.95)

Rarely does a book from Chess Enterprises break the ten dollar barrier, but this 177 page tome is considerably larger than their usual 100 page books. The authors carefully examine all of the lines in the Dragon with 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Be2. This is a topic which has sorely needed an update - most recent work has been devoted to the intricate Yugoslav Attack. The organization of the material is a big improvement on previous efforts, and it is very easy to find the variation one is looking for. There is too much material to examine thoroughly in a brief review, so I chose the Tartakower variation (6...Bg7 7.0-0 Nc6 8.Nb3 0-0 9.Be3 Be6 10.f4 Oc8) to check for thoroughness and accuracy. The authors correctly peg Bronstein's 11.Kh1 Rd8 12.Bg1! as the main line. The material is relatively complete. It is true that after 12...d5! 13.e5 Ne4 14.Bd3. Kindermann's suggestion of 14...Nxc3 15.bxc3 Bf5 has not been tried, but 15...f6 has, and the game Arnold-Mandl, from the 1986/87 Bundesliga continued 16.exf6 exf6 17.Rb1 b6 18.f5! with a strong initiative for White. On the other hand, the key move 14.Nxe4! is identified as White's best, and the analysis there is quite good. Except for the use of square brackets instead of italics (making the text hard to follow at times) the book is well-produced and a bargain. Very Highly Recommended!

2. The Neo-Sveshnikov by Jeremy Silman. \$7.95.

It is about time that someone produced a treatise on the popular new variation 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 e5!? 5.Nb5 d6!? which has replaced the Lowenthal (5...a6?!) in master praxis. I was going to do it myself, but Silman beat me to it - and did such a splendid iob that I have dropped my plans. I don't agree with his name for the line - following the criteria set forth in my Unorthodox Openings book Van der Wiel deserves bragging rights, and if he wants to call it the Kalashnikov (which evidently he does), then so be it. But perhaps Neo-Sveshnikov is justified, as Black's strategy is similar. The big difference is that 6.c4 sets up a Maroczy bind, and indeed the key line runs 6.c4 Be7 8.Na3, where Black 7.N1c3 a6 cannot play an early b7-b5. After 8...Be6 White chooses between 9.Nc2, 9.Be2 and 9.Nd5. The results in this line do favor White, but not (Continued next page)

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by much '(+33 =32 -25 in my database). The research is not very thorough, here. For example, all that is given on 9.Bd3 is reference to Novik- Milov, USSR 1990, but this overlooks the seminal game Wang Zili - Sveshnikov(!) from the Belgrade GMA event of 1988. One presumes that the

1990 Olympiad game Diaz - Azmat came too late for inclusion. Unfortunately, the important game Fedorowicz - Salov from January's Wijk aan Zee event also failed to get in. Still, it is a very important book and an essential addition to the Sicilian lover's library.

3. French Defense: McCutcheon Variation by W.John Lutes. (\$14.95.)

A whopping 210 pages of games and analysis, done in the inimitable Lutes fashion. This is the major reference work on the exciting McCutcheon Variation (1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Bg4!?). It puts my massive database to shame - I only have about 150 games in the line! To check for completeness I went straight to the main line: 5.e5 h6 6.Bd2 Bxc3 7.bxc3 Ne4 8.0g4 g6. The coverage of 9.h4 rather deficient. not even mentioning 9...h5 which was seen in Sanz - Donner, from the 1982 Marbella Zonal (a game also missed by Eade - see below). On the more common 9.Bd3 Nxd2 10.Kxd2 c5 both 11.Nf3 and 11.h4 are normal. In the latter case there are classical examples from Capablanca and Yates,

and lots of analysis by Maroczy. As far as more recent games are concerned, Lutes has included material from Byron Jacobs "Trends" pamphlet and is reasonably up to date.

The overall impression is the usual for a Lutes book - extraordinary admiration and a wish that someone would give him a copy of ChessBase or NICbase and a couple of hundred thousand games. If he didn't have to spend so much time at a typewriter, we would be treated to more such books! Very highly recommended to anyone who plays the French or loves chess history.

4. Remember the MacCutcheon by James Eade. (\$6.50.)

This book is an excellent companion to the Lutes work. It takes a much more selective, personal view of the opening, reflecting on the experiences of the author spanning over a decade. Eade, an ICCF correspondence master, has spent many hours analyzing the opening, and his ideas are original and useful. There isn't enough meat here to stand on its own - I wouldn't use this 87 page monograph as my sole source, but it is indispensable, even if one has the Lutes volume, since there are many of Eade's own games which have never before been published. (by the way, it is McCutcheon, not MacCutcheon). Highly Recommended.

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MORE Book Reviews: (by Schiller)

Two new books from American Chess Promotions

1. Chess Middlegame Combinations by Peter Romanovsky. (\$17.95.)

This is the latest in American Chess Promotions reissue of classic chess books. Jimmy Adams has done a good literal translation, sometimes a bit stilted, of Romanovsky's masterpiece, which has instructed generations of Soviet players. It has stood up well through the years, though there are some aspects of the work and production which are not in line with modern standards. A glaring flaw is the lack of an index to the players involved, and too often diagrams are pushed onto following pages. Though the typesetting is attractive, the overall organization of the book could have been better. I would also have preferred to see the games presented in full - many were truncated. \$17.95 strikes me as a tad too high - perhaps \$15.95 would be more reasonable. Still, a good book which deserves to be read by all aspiring chessplayers.

2. The Queen's Indian Defence by Tony Miles. (\$15.95.)

American Chess Promotions enters into the opening field with original material (most of their earlier-offerings were imported from Batsford). They have chosen well with their first book - a survey of the

Queen's Indian by GM Tony Miles, an expert in the variation. This is a good, and much needed survey of contemporary theory, but it is not a pedagogical tool. One must know the ideas behind the opening before using this book. Consider it a vastly improved "Trends" book, with significant and deep analysis of the opening sections of the games, and some useful middlegame comments as well. It is nicely typeset and produced, and with 100 complete and interesting games, and excellent indices, I recomment it strongly. I do feel, however, that \$12.95 would be a more appropriate price.

and one from Chess Digest!

Evans Gambit and a System vs. Two Knights's Defence by Tim Harding (\$15.95.)

I was so impressed by this book that I will review it even though I paid for it! This is a great book, a bargain with over 200 pages of excellent research and analysis. Just about everything you need to know about the Evans Gambit to play it for The section on the Two White. Knights is not quite as good, but adequate for most purposes. I think that this book is a big improvement on the previous edition, and shows that Harding has kept track of relevant developments. This is hardly surprising, as he has kept the opening in his repertoire, and it has seen action in some very interesting games.

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THE 1991 USCF CONVENTION by John McCrary

From July 31 - August 5, I represented South Carolina at the USCF Convention, held with the U.S. Open and the U.S. Championship in Los Angeles. There were three days of workshops, open to all USF members, to debate USCF policy; then two days of delegates' meetings to determine officially those policies. The major issues this year were as follows:

1) Finances: The USCF had a severe financial crisis last fall, in which layoffs occurred. We survived the worst of that, due to increased membership and book sales related to the membership drive and the World Championship match with the year's final figures thus balanced, the delegates rejected a \$10.00 dues increase supported by our president, Max Dlugy.

The financial crisis could return! All of us need to help out. Sell memberships to club visitors, and sign up your kids as scholastic members. When you see a chess book you like in a store, order it from the USCF catalog if you can. The lower prices there will usually offset postage and handling charges, and service through the USCF's "800" number has become quite speedy (a recent phone order of mine was delivered in one week).

- 2) World Affairs are perpetually unsettled. Campomones remains FIDE president despite lack of support of the larger nations. The USCF delegates authorized our FIDE delegation to negotiate with other nations to form a coalition to force changes. One proposal would be creation of a "Security Council"-type model within FIDE to give larger nations more of a voice. A more radical idea would be the formation of a new world body in competition with FIDE ((similar to what happened in baseball when the National League replaced the National Association in 1876). Meanwhile, the future of the GMA is unclear due to the resignations of both Kasparov and Kok, who have had differences.
- 3) One-member, one-vote issues came up, and I got into the middle in an interesting way. The one-member, one-vote proposal is that all USCF members should vote directly for all officers, from the national president on down. That would replace the current system in which state associations select some 300 delegates and alternate delegates, who in turn elect the seven highest national officers.

Proponents take the simple view that any type of delegate voting is inherently democratic. Opponents counter by pointing out that representative democracy is as American as apple pie, and that many very democratic organizations use delegate systems (e.g., both major parties, the American Legion, etc.).

Proponents further argue that the present system favors selection of functionaries whose only achievement is to to the meetings, and discriminates against Opponents counter this in several ways: professionals. Delegates and alternates are mostly highly-educated professionals who represent the elite of chess accomplishment in OTB, correspondence, organization and literature. The mere fact that they are not all grandmasters does not automatically make them persons of low accomplishment. (b) Chess professionals who choose to run are usually easily elected Benjamin, Denker, to the delegates; (i.e., Sierawan, Donaldson and Alburt to the Policy Board; Dlugy national presidency). to the Most chess Koltanowski professionals, however, are so politically apathetic that they do not attend the many preliminary meetings open to all USCF members (such as the Finance Workshop at which the year's budget is hammered out), when they are at the U.S. A Policy Board composed only of chess (c) professionals would represent the wishes only of professionals, not of the membership at large. (And would very probably support substantial dues and fee increases support chess professionals.)

Both sides agree that campaigning would be limited to a statement in <u>Chess Life</u>. Proponents think that would be enough, while opponents feel it would be woefully inadequate to inform the electorate, and would allow no opportunity for rebuttals or corrections of inaccurate statements. Interestingly, both sides also agree that there would be substantial voter apathy. Opponents fear that such apathy would tend to lead to geographical imbalance in voting, while the present system guarantees geographical balance.

In any event, I took the delegates' microphone to move a compromise: That the part of the main motion that dealt with nationwide elections be deleted, but that the part mandating direct election of state delegates and alternates be retained. Then, if that amendment were accepted, I planned to move to refer the amended motion for further study by committee.

The method in my madness was as follows: I want the USCF to evolve toward unification of the state and national levels. Our organization is not unusual in having a delegate system, but it is unusual in requiring a person to join separately at each level (local, state, national). In many if not most organizations, a single dues payment automatically enrolls you in all levels of the organization. It is obvious that lack of unification hurts all levels of chess organization, for many people join locally but never the USCF, while others join USCF but never the state, etc. My suggestion would address one of the arguments for one member—one vote, which is that it is wrong that a state association member not in USCF can vote for delegates and

alternates, while a USCF member not in the state association is totally disenfranchised. It would also address the complaint that some states have their officers appoint delegates and alternates. (We elect them in S.C., as our president and vice-president automatically serve as delegate and alternate.) Further, it would be easier to test direct-election issues at a state rather than a national level, at first.

In any event, my proposed compromise provided some excitement. The main motion's sponsor, Dave Saponara, surprised everyone by accepting my amendment. Then, an opponent promptly moved to table the whole idea, rather than refer it to committee as I had planned. This tabling technique has worked overwhelmingly in past years, but this year - surprise! - the motion to table barely passed. Both Saponara and I caught heat later from individuals on both sides of this emotional, "no-compromise" issue (as many saw it). However, others, including two present Policy Board members, told me that my compromise was a sensible approach that deserved further consideration.

The Awards Banquet

This year one of the most memorable awards ceremonies in USCF history occurred. Kasparov was the keynote speaker, following the Hall-of-Fame inductions of Arthur Dake and John Collins, both of whom were present. On the speaker's platform were two pieces of the silver prize given to Morphy in 1857. (Dlugy and Kasparov later "toasted" American chess with this silver, for the cameras.)

As Hall-of-Fame Chairman, I was privileged to sit at one of the head tables, with Dake, Collins, Bill Lombardy, and their families. Kasparov and his companions sat at the next table to ours. I was privileged to speak briefly on the Hall of Fame inductees, just two speakers before Kasparov. Kasparov's speech, by the way, consisted largely of a question-and-answer period. He dropped the bombshell that he was looking at Los Angeles as a possible next site for the World Championship Match. Kasparov also stated that he hoped his next opponent had a different face, as he was getting tired of Karpov's. Kasparov's speech occurred just a few days before the abortive Soviet coup attempt. (Coincidentally, a recent Reader's Digest article memtioned Kasparov as perhaps the second best-known Russian democrat after Yeltsin.)

All told, another memorable experience! Next year's U.S. Open will be in Dearborn, Michigan.

Book Review:

Confessions of a Chess Grandmaster by Andrew Soltis. Published by Thinker's Press, Davenport, IA; 366 pp, \$24.95.

Review by NM Macon Shibut from Chess Horizons of New England.

How much of a typical chess book actually gets read? Even a serious student will skip over dense thickets of variations and sub-variations now and then. And some of our most popular books (e. g. ECO) are designed more for reference than reading. The triumph of Confessions of a Chess Grandmaster is in providing "serious" analysis and commentary for players of all levels while remaining readable from cover to cover.

Most readers will be familiar with Soltis's popular 'Chess to Enjoy' column in Chess Life. He brings the same light, slightly bemused style to this book. His topic is his own experience as an international player, but his focus is less on himself than the chess subculture he inhabits. In style and substance Confessions is reminiscent of Edward Lasker's Chess Secrets I Learned from the Masters.

The fifty-five annotated games ('heavily annotated' if measured in words per move) are presented with a combination of anecdote, practical

advice, and hard analysis. For example, in game #5 (Soltis-Maeder, Dresden Student Olympiad, 1969) Soltis elaborates on some analysis by Fischer from Sixty Memorable Games. But he also tells the unlikely story of how he came to play this game wearing a pair of Fischer's shoes.

Soltis identifies five 'key elements that make up the body of a player's knowledge. weaponry'--opening calculating ability. middlegame imagination, practical instincts, and knowledge--and his endgame commentaries reflect this list. handling of opening theory especially noteworthy. He reveals himself a specialist in the subtleties of move order and transpositon, and is sensitive to the practical demands of a opening. narticular complimentary systems are necessary to form a complete repetoire? How do real-life opponents usually counter? (often not with the 'main line' as given by theory!) Certain variations get heavy treatment, including suggested improvements to published theory, because Soltis plays them a lot. Confessions may be the best available introduction into the Pirc/Modern Defense complex!

If there is a unifying theme, it is Soltis's desire to overturn the Grandmaster Mystique. It would take (Continued next page)

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another GM to judge whether Confessions succeeds in giving 'an honest account of what it's like to be a grandmaster', but Soltis's tales ring true, and they're a lot closer than most grandmaster biographies to the world I know. Thus in one game he reflects how, 'every time I've speculatively sacked a piece early in the game, I've felt an odd sense of wonder when it worked.' Elsewhere he admits. 'most players starting out in chess think the GM's see every move before it's played. Utter nonsense. I figure there will be a minimum of three occasions a game when my opponent, regardless of rating, is going to play something I didn't consider at all.

I'd make one addition to Soltis's Five Key Elements list: enthusiasm for the game. Enthusiasm gives rise to inspiration over the board, and it fuels improvement during study. Confessions of a Chess Grandmaster captures and transmits such enthusiasm. The book is unreservedly recommended.



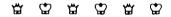
South Carolina's Place in the USCF

We're number 33! It isn't exactly an inspiring rallying call, but this is

where we fit in to the USCF lineup of state affiliates. Since there are 52 of these, there are still 19 smaller than us. (California is split in two, and DC is an affiliate.)

At the time of the last census, South Carolina had 370 USCF members. 215 of these are regular members, 47 are life members, 10 are affiliate members, 20 are youth, and 39 scholastic; the remainder include various other special categories.

How do we compare with our neighbors?
Georgia, # 22, 810 members;
North Carolina, #18, 920 members;
Alabama, #29, 477 members.



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comes from the Massachusetts Chess Association. They have seven major tournaments. If you play every round in all of them, you share in prizes of up to \$700!

Anyone for ChessBase? or Bookup? or NICBase?

All these chess computer programs have come out with new versions that offer significant improvements. But do we have anyone in the SCCA using them? If so, give us a report!

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#	Player	Rating	1	2	3	4	5	Score
1.	Patrick Hart	2064	W38	W10	W 9	W3	D2	4.5
2.	Lindsay Blanks	1945	W33	W12	W21	W 6	D1	4.5
3.	John Vonderlieth	1993	W 2 4	W18	W8	L.1	W10	4.0
4.	Andre Osumi	1989	W14	L9	W22	W 7	W8	4.0
5.	Steven Esh	1915	L22	W29	W33	W21	W 9	4.0
6.	George Melton	1888	BYE	W15	W11	L2	W17	3.5
7.	James Hyatt	1764	W31	D13	W19	L4	W18	3.5
8.	Lawrence Hughes	1744	W32	W22		W11	L4	3.0
9.	David Woodbury	1667	W39	W 4	L1	WF	L5	3.0
10.	William Floyd	1741	W20	L1	W28	W 2 4		3.0
11.	Gregory Adams	1627	W36	W17		L8	W21	3.0
12.	Arliss Dietz	1650	W28	L2	W26	D17	D13	3.0
13.	John Crawford	1560	W34			W25		3.0
14	John Rogers	1477	L4	W39	L17		W26	3.0
15.	James Collins	UNR.	D30			W32		3.0
16.	Anthony Brown	1383		L25			W27	3.0
17.	Henry White	1799		L11				2.5
18.	Greg Brown	1651	W27			W19		2.5
19.	Alan Fraley	UNR.		M30			W25	2.5
20.	Conway Le Craw	1290		D38			W29	2.5
21.	Stanley Lowery	1634	W25	W23	L2	L.5	L11	2.0
22 .	Russell Neer	1438	W5	L8	L4	L27	W35	2.0
23.	Byron Hooper	1819		L21				2.0
24.	Beth Campbell	1484	L3			L10		2.0
25.	Theo Schudel	1153				L13		2.0
26.	J. A. Hewitt	1376				W28		2.0
27.	Randall Altman	1168				W22		2.0
28.	Ed Kirk	1166				L26		2.0
29.	John Dusky	1228	D19			W39		1.5
30.	Bryce Harrison	1907	D15				hdrew	1.5
31.	James Salerno	1348	L7			L14		1.5
32.	Brian Cassedy	1328	L8			L15	D31	1.5
33.	Donald Wilson	1451	1.2	W27		L16		1.0
34.	James Robert Moore	UNR.				L20		1.0
	Michael Nichols	1384				W36		1.0
36 .	Steven Teasley	996	L11	L26	L34	L35		1.0
37.	Douglas Holmes	2052	W35					1.0
38.	William Pilaud	1518	L1 .				hdrew	0.5
39.	James Ryan Moore	1226	L9	L14	L32	L29	L36	0.0

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COMING EVENTS

Hilton Head Tournament, Dec 14-15 (A preliminary notice of this tournament has been received from Mark Hoshor of Savannah, and is given below.)

Entry fees: early \$25, on-site \$30 max prizes based on 30 players:

OPEN SECTION	min max	RESERVE (under 1600)				
1 st	\$150 \$250	lst	\$100	\$150		
2nd	\$100 \$150	2nd	\$ 75	\$110		
3rd	\$75 \$75	3rd	\$ 50	\$ 65		
1800-1999	\$ 50 \$ 50	1200-1399	\$ 50	\$ 50		
1600-1799	\$ 50 \$ 50	unrated	\$ 50	\$ 50		
total OPEN	\$ 425 \$ 575	total RESERVE	\$325	\$425		

total both sections \$750 \$1000

The minimum prizes are all guaranteed. Playing site is not definite at this time but most likely will be the SHARE center on Hilton Head. For further info, contact Joe Hewitt at 1-803-681-6289. Advance entries can be sent to J. A. Hewitt, Hilton Head Chess Club, 44 Oyster Reef Dr., Hilton Head, SC 29926; make checks out to Hilton Head Chess Club. Look for an ad in upcoming issues of Chess Life.

Also, James Chaffin is planning a set of quads in Savannah in November. Mr. Chaffin can be reached at 232-3302 for further info.

<u>Dec. 7</u>, 1991 SCCA Fall Scholastic 4-SS, G/60, Tremont Motor Inn, 111 Knox Abbott Dr., Cayce (Columbia), SC 29033.

<u>2 Sections: High School:</u> grades 9-12. <u>Elementary</u>: grades 8/below. Entry fee \$2.00 both sections; USCF Scholastic or youth membership required (available at site). Ph: 803-256-1024.

Chess Clubs of South Carolina

Aiken: The Aiken Chess Club meets each Thursday from 6:30 pm to 10 pm at the USCA Student Activity Center dining room. Contact Lee Hyder, 648-8924.

Charleston: The Charleston Chess Club meets each Wednesday from 7 pm to 11 pm at the Westminster Presbyterian Church, 1157 Sam Rittenberg Blvd. Contact: Patrick Hart, 883-3783.

Columbia: The Palmetto Chess Club meets each Thursday at food court the Richland Fashion Mall beginning at 7 pm. Contact Bill Floyd, 787-3343.

Spartanburg: The Spartanburg Chess Club meets each Tuesday from 7:30 to 10:30 at the Spartanburg Arts Center on South Spring St. Contact David Williams, 573-9861.

Summerville: The Summerville Chess Club meets each Sunday from 1 pm to 5 pm at the Summerville Medical Center, 295 Midland Pkwy. Contact Gale Nicolet, 871-0357.

Quotations:

"Chess is magical! It is full of mystery and surprises. How else can one describe the sacrificing of one's Queen for the higher goal of checkmate. Like magic, it is full of wonder! This is easily understood if one watches two children play. Inevitably one will gleefull announce at some stage of the game that he has pricked his opponent. It has been said that one game of chess contains more suspense than ten mystery novels."

-- Jay Griffin, En Passant (Pittsburgh)

"Not everyone can write a play, or build a bridge, or even make a joke. But in chess everyone can, everyone must, be intellectually productive and so can share in this select delight. I have always a slight feeling of pity for the man who has no knowledge of chess, just as I would pity the man who has remained ignorant of love. Chess, like love, like music, has the power to make men happy."

---Siegbert Tarrasch, The Game of Chess

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