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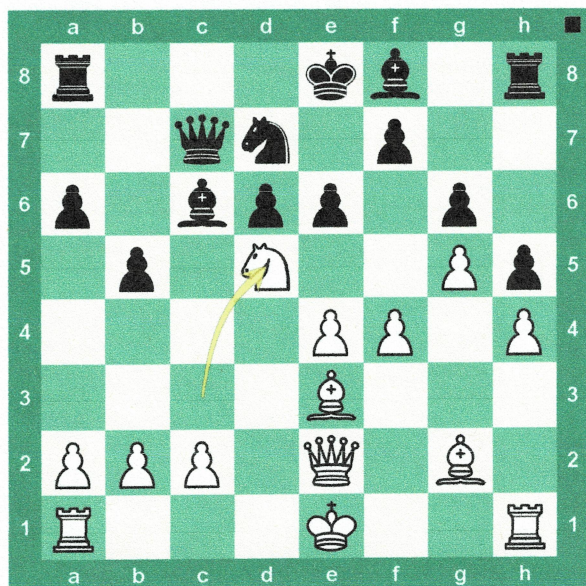
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Members Games From The Past.

After an unintended hiatus we are back! We begin our journey with a quick look at some games from club member and National Master Karl Dehemlt.

Karl Dehmelt 2355 (USA)-Boris Kogan 2465 (USA) It (open), Reykjavik (Iceland) 1986, 1-0, Opening: B81

1. e4 c5 2. ♘f3 e6 3. d4 cxd4 4. ♘xd4 ♘f6 5. ♘c3 d6 6. g4 h6 7. h4 ♘c6 8. ♘b3 a6 9. ♙g2 h5 10. g5 ♘d7 11. ♙e2 ♙c7 12. f4 g6 13. ♙e3 b5 14. ♘d4 ♙b7 15. ♘xc6 ♙xc6 16. ♘d5...



...♙xd5 17. exd5 e5 18. f5 gxf5 19. O-O ♖c8 20. ♖xf5 ♙xc2 21. ♙f1 ♙c4 22. ♖xf7 ♙e7 23. ♙f5 ♙g4 24. ♙g6 [1-0]

Karl Dehmelt 2355 (USA) -John Donaldson 2420 (USA) It, Philadelphia (USA) 1986, 1/2-1/2, Opening: B52

1. e4 c5 2. ♘f3 d6 3. ♙b5+ ♙d7 4. ♙xd7+ ♘xd7 5. O-O ♘gf6 6. ♖e1 e6 7. c4 ♙e7 8. d4 cxd4 9. ♙xd4 O-O 10. ♘c3 a6 11. b3 ♙c7 12. ♙b2 ♖ad8 13. h3 ♖fe8 14. ♖ad1 ♙f8 15. ♘h2 ♙b8 16. ♘g4 ♘xg4 17. hxg4 ♖c8 18. ♘b1 b5 19. cxb5 axb5 20. ♖c1 h6 21. ♙e3 ♘c5 22. ♙d3 ♙a8 23. a3 ♖c6 24. ♘d2 ♖ec8 25. ♙e3 ♙e7 26. ♘f3 e5 27. ♖c3 ♙d8 28. ♙e2 ♙b7 29. ♖ec1 ♘xb3 30. ♖xc6 ♖xc6 31. ♖xc6 ♙xc6 32. ♙d1 ♘c5 33. ♘xe5 ♙c7 34. ♘f3 ♘xe4 35. ♙d5 ♙c2 36. ♙d4 ♙f6 37. ♙e3 ♙c4 38. ♙a8+ ♔h7 39. ♙e8 ♘c3 40. ♙d7 ♙e6 41. ♙b7 ♘e2+ 42. ♔f1 ♘c3 43. ♔g1 d5 44. g5 d4 45. gxf6 dxe3 46. fxe3 ♙xf6 47. ♙c8 g6 48. ♙c5 ♘e2+ 49. ♔h2 ♙e6 50. ♙xb5 ♙xe3 51. ♙e5 ♙xe5+ 52. ♘xe5 f6 53. ♘d7 ♔g7 54. a4 ♘d4 55. a5 ♘c6 56. a6 ♔f7 57. ♘b6 ♘a7 58. ♘d5 ♔e6 59. ♘e3 f5 60. ♔g3 g5 61. ♔f3 h5 62. g3 ♘c6 63. ♔f2 ♔e5 64. ♘c4+ ♔d5 65. ♘e3+ ♔e4 66. ♘c4 f4 67. ♘d6+ ♔e5 68. ♘b5 fxf3+ [1/2-1/2]

Games From The 2023-24 Chaturanga Chess League

The Chaturanga Chess League is a popular event held every year from late October until late January. Here is a nice round 7 win by my teammate Gary Marshall over Terance Hall.

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**Terance Hall - Gary Marshall 2023-24
Chaturanga League, 2024.12.07, 0-1,
Opening: A42 Modern: Averbakh,**

1. d4 g6 2. c4 ♖g7 3. ♘c3 d6 4. e4 ♘c6 5. d5
♘d4 6. ♘ge2 c5 7. dxc6 ♘xc6 8. ♖e3 ♘f6 9.
h3 ♖d7 10. ♘d4N [10. ♖d2 O-O 11. ♘g3
♖c8 12. ♖e2 a6 13. O-O ♖a5 14. ♖ac1 ♖fe8
...1-0, Verot Melanie 2100 - Maiffret Patrick
1967 , France 12/ 7/2003 Ch France (team) (2)
2003/04] 10... O-O 11. ♖e2 ♘xd4 +0.25* 12.
♖xd4 +0.35* 12... ♖c6 +0.23* 13. ♖d3 +0.06*
13... b6N +0.67* [13... a5 +0.06 14. h4 +0.22
14... h5 +0.37 15. ♖e3 +0.29 15... ♖c8 +0.26
16. f3 +0.58 16... e5 +0.44; 13... ♘e8 +0.41 14.
O-O +0.41 14... ♖xd4 +0.29 15. ♖xd4 +0.41
15... ♘f6 +0.26] 14. O-O +0.73* 14... ♖c7
+0.67* 15. ♖ac1 +0.67* 15... ♖b7 +0.68* 16. f3
+0.67* 16... ♖ac8 +0.59* 17. ♖d2 +0.51* 17...
♖c7 +0.64* [17... ♖d7 +0.51 18. g4 +0.41] 18.
♘d5 +0.67* 18... ♖xd5 +0.55* 19. exd5 +0.56*
[19. cxd5 +0.55 19... ♖fc8 +0.72] 19... ♖fc8
+0.50* 20. ♖d3 -0.35* [20. a4 +0.50 20... ♖e8
+0.44] 20... a6 +0.76* [20... b5 -0.35 21. b3
-0.11 21... ♘d7 -0.01 22. ♖xg7 -0.22] 21. ♖e3
-1.74* [21. ♖fe1 +0.76] 21... ♘d7 -0.20* [21...
♘xd5 -1.74 22. ♖e4 -1.55] 22. ♖xg7 -0.10*
22... ♖xg7 -0.11* 23. ♖xe7 -1.55* [23. ♖d4+
-0.11] 23... ♘e5 -1.38* 24. ♖h4 -2.16* [24.
♖xd6 -1.38 24... ♘xd3 -1.22 25. ♖cd1 -1.49
25... ♖d7 -1.27] 24... ♘xd3 -1.98* 25. ♖d4+
-2.03* 25... ♘e5 -2.06* 26. f4 -4.60* [26. b3
-2.06 26... ♖g8 -1.91] 26... ♖xc4 -4.59* 27.
♖xc4 -4.52* 27... ♖xc4 -4.50* 28. ♖d2 -4.71*
28... ♘d7 -4.58* 29. f5 -4.64* 29... ♖c8 -4.62*
30. ♖h2 -5.21* 30... ♖c5 -5.15* 31. ♖g5
-5.20* 31... ♖d4 -5.17* 32. ♖d8 -6.34* 32...

♖e5+ -5.46* 33. ♖h1 -6.91* 33... ♘f6 -6.61*
34. fxg6 -9.28* 34... hxg6 -8.66* 35. ♖xb6
-7.84* 35... ♖xd5 -5.08* 36. ♖d8 -88.52* 36...
♖d4 -6.36* 37. ♖a5 -7.44* 37... ♖c2 -7.23*
38. ♖xa6 -8.62* 38... ♖e4 -7.89* 39. ♖f3
-6.89* 39... ♖xb2 -5.76* 40. a4 -6.80* 40...
♖d5 -5.52* 41. ♖f1 -6.49* 41... ♖d4 -5.33*
42. ♖f4 -6.58* 42... ♖e5 -6.78* 43. ♖f2
-11.79* 43... ♖xf2 -11.35* 44. ♖xf2 -11.10*
44... ♖a1+ -8.07* 45. ♖h2 -6.96* 45... ♖xa4
-6.59* 46. ♖b2 -17.05* 46... d5 -10.06* 47.
♖d2 -10.13* 47... ♖f4+ +7.23* [47... ♖e4
-10.13] 48. ♖g1 -299.95* [48. ♖xf4 +7.23 48...
♘h7 +7.00 49. ♖e5+ +156.50] 48... ♘h5
[0-1]

**The following game was a matchup between 2
of our strongest players, National Master Karl
Dehmelt (White) and National Master Ben
Johnson (Black).**

**Karl Dehmelt 2200 - Ben Johnson 2120.
2023-24 Chaturanga League, 0-1,
Opening: B27 Sicilian: Hungarian**

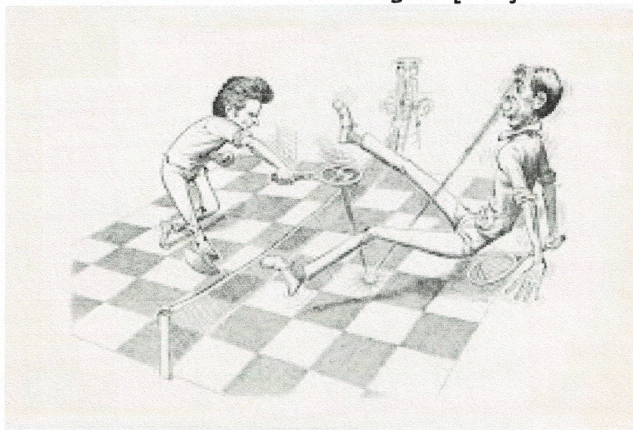
1. e4 c5 2. ♘f3 g6 3. d4 cxd4 4. ♖xd4 ♘f6 5.
e5 ♘c6 6. ♖a4 ♘d5 7. c4 ♘c7 8. ♖f4 ♘e6 9.
♖g3 ♖b6N -0.62* [9... ♖a5+ 10. ♖xa5 ♘xa5
11. ♘c3 ♖g7 12. ♖c1 ♘c6 13. h4 h5 14.
♖d3 ...1-0, Kuzmanovic Slobodan 2181 -
Jovancev Orce 1705 , Belgrade 12/ 2/2010 It
(open)] 10. ♖b5 -0.53* 10... ♘ed4 -0.27* [10...
♖xb5 -0.53 11. cxb5 -0.44 11... ♘b4 -0.72 12.
♘a3 -0.48 12... b6 -0.52] 11. ♘xd4 -0.33* 11...
♘xd4 -0.31* 12. ♖xb6 -0.25* 12... axb6 -0.29*
13. ♘a3 -0.22* 13... ♖xa3 -0.22* 14. bxa3
-0.38* 14... ♘c2+ -0.23* 15. ♘d2 -0.44* 15...
♘xa1 -0.22* 16. ♖d3 -0.17* 16... ♖g7 +0.00*

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[16... ♖h6+ -0.17 17. ♔c3 -0.37 17... d6 -0.22]
17. ♜xa1 +0.00* 17... d6 +0.00* 18. f4 -0.64*
[18. ♜b1 +0.00 18... ♙xe5 +0.00] 18... O-O
-0.56* 19. ♜b1 -0.60* 19... dxe5 -0.56* 20.
fxe5 -0.61* 20... ♜d8 -0.75* 21. ♜xb6 -1.08*
21... ♙f5 -1.07* 22. ♜b3 -0.88* 22... ♙e4
-0.83* 23. ♙f4 -0.99* [23. ♙e3 -0.81 23...
♙xg2 -0.80] 23... ♙xg2 -1.02* 24. ♙e3 -0.98*
24... e6 +0.00* [24... f5 -0.98 25. exf6 -1.02
25... ♙xf6 -1.05] 25. ♙e4 +0.00* 25... ♙xe4
+0.00* 26. ♙xe4 +0.00* 26... ♜d7 +0.18* [26...
♜c8 +0.00 27. ♙d4 -0.07] 27. c5 +0.30* 27...
♙f8 +0.00* 28. c6 -1.16* [28. ♙e3 +0.00 28...
♜c7 +0.00 29. ♜b5 +0.00 29... ♙g7 +0.00]
28... bxc6 -1.05* 29. ♜b8 -1.13* 29... ♙g7
-1.25* 30. ♙g5 -1.17* 30... ♙e7 -1.16* 31.
♙xe7 -1.06* 31... ♜xe7 -1.19* 32. a4 -1.80*
[32. ♙d4 -1.19 32... ♜a7 -1.12 33. ♙c5 -1.27
33... ♜xa3 -1.22 34. ♜b2 -1.12 34... ♜a6
-1.23 35. ♜g2 -1.36] 32... ♜a7 -1.79* 33. ♜b4
-1.67* 33... g5 -1.87* 34. ♜c4 -1.94* 34... ♙g6
-1.94* 35. h3 -2.55* 35... h5 -2.13* 36. h4
-2.86* 36... gxh4 -2.78* 37. ♙f4 -3.14* 37...
♜a5 -3.14* 38. ♜e4 -2.97* 38... ♜d5 -2.90*
39. ♜c4 -3.34* 39... ♜d2 -3.04* 40. ♜xc6
-5.26* 40... ♜xa2 White resigns. [0-1]



Cartoon from Fischer Spassky

Future Schedule

Chaturanga 2024 Winter/Spring Schedule for Rated Chess.

February

1. February 7th : Class Championship. 3 Round Swiss in 8 player sections. Classic Time Controls. Round 1.
2. February 14th: CC round 2.
3. February 21st: CC round 3.
4. February 28th: Off week.

March

1. March 6th: March Round Robin. 5 rounds in 6 player sections.
2. March 13th: RR round 2.
3. March 20th: RR round 3.
4. March 27th: RR round 4

April

1. April 3rd: RR round 5
2. April 10th: Game/45; inc,10. 4 round Swiss over 2 successive weeks. Rounds 1 & 2.
3. April 17th: G/45. Rounds 3 & 4.
4. April 24th: Game/24; inc,5. Quick Rated, 3 round event on 1 night.

May

1. May 1st: Off week.
2. May 8th: Annual Spring Swiss. Classical time controls. A 4 round event in 1 section. Round 1.
3. May 15th: SS round 2.
4. May 22nd: SS round 3.
5. May 29th: SS round 4.

See individual ads of each event for details! Events may be moved or canceled.

Days of Future Past

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GM Akiba Rubinstein



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Akiba Rubinstein was born in Poland. Rubinstein learned to play chess at the relatively late age of 14. He trained with and played against the strong master Gersz Salwe in Łódź and in 1903, after finishing fifth in a tournament in Kyiv, Rubinstein decided to abandon his rabbinical studies and devote himself entirely to chess.^[1]

Between 1907 and 1912, Rubinstein established himself as one of the strongest players in the world. In 1907, he won the Carlsbad tournament and the All-Russian Masters' tournament, and shared first at Saint Petersburg. In 1912 he had a record string of wins, finishing first in five

consecutive major tournaments: San Sebastián, Pöstyén, Breslau, Warsaw and Vilna (All-Russian Masters' tournament), although none of these events included Lasker or Capablanca..^[2]

During the first decade of the 20th century, the playing field for competitive chess was relatively thin. Wilhelm Steinitz, the first universally recognized world champion, died in 1900 after having been largely retired from chess for several years, Russian master Mikhail Chigorin was nearing the end of his life, while American master Frank Marshall lived on the other side of the Atlantic, far from the center of chess activity in Europe. Another promising American master, Harry Nelson Pillsbury, had died in 1906 at just 33. In the pre-FIDE era, the reigning world champion handpicked his challenger, and Emanuel Lasker demanded a high sum of money that Rubinstein could not produce. In the St. Petersburg tournament in 1909, he had tied with Lasker and won his individual encounter with him. However, he had a poor showing at the 1914 St. Petersburg tournament, not placing in the top five. A match with Lasker was arranged for October 1914, but it did not take place because of the outbreak of World War I.^[3]

Rubinstein's peak as a player is generally considered to have been between 1907 and 1914. During World War I, he was confined to Poland, although he played in a few organized chess events there and traveled to Berlin in early 1918 for a tournament. His playing after the war never regained the same consistency as it had pre-1914. He and his family moved to Sweden following the Armistice in November 1918, where they stayed until 1922, and then moved to Germany. Rubinstein won at Vienna in 1922, ahead of future World Champion Alexander Alekhine, and was the leader of the Polish team that won the 1930 Chess Olympiad at Hamburg with a record of thirteen wins and four draws. He also won an Olympic

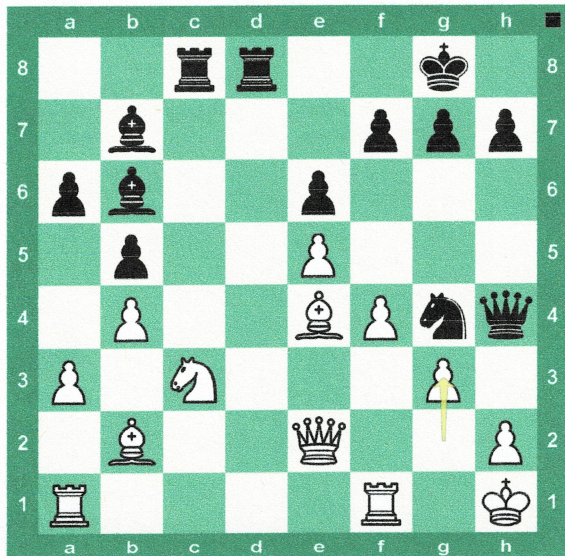
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silver at the 1931 Chess Olympiad, again leading the Polish team.^[4]
Source (1,2,3,4 Wikipedia)

Rotlewi Georg (POL) - Rubinstein Akiba K (POL) Ch Russia, Lodz (Poland) 1907, 0-1, Opening: D40

1. d4 d5 2. ♘f3 e6 3. e3 c5 4. c4 ♘c6 5. ♘c3 ♘f6 6. dxc5 ♙xc5 7. a3 a6 8. b4 ♙d6 9. ♙b2 O-O 10. ♚d2? [10. cxd5 exd5 11. ♙e2 ♚e8 12. O-O] 10... ♚e7 11. ♙d3 dxc4 12. ♙xc4 b5 13. ♙d3 ♚d8 14. ♚e2 ♙b7 15. O-O ♘e5 16. ♘xe5 ♙xe5 17. f4 [17. ♚fd1] 17... ♙c7 18. e4? ♚ac8 19. e5? ♙b6+ 20. ♙h1 ♘g4! 21. ♙e4 [21. ♚xg4 ♚xd3+] 21... ♚h4 22. g3...



[22. h3 ♚xc3 23. ♙xc3 ♙xe4 24. ♚xe4 (24. ♚xg4 ♚xg4 25. hxg4 ♚d3 26. ♚ac1 ♚h3#) 24. ♚g3 25. hxg4 ♚h4#] 22...

♚xc3!! 23. gxh4 [23. ♙xb7 ♚xg3 24. ♚f3 ♚xf3 25. ♙xf3 ♘f2+ 26. ♙g1 ♘e4+ 27. ♙f1 ♘d2+-] 23... ♚d2!! 24. ♚xd2 [24. ♚xg4 ♙xe4+ 25. ♚f3 ♚xf3+-; 24. ♙xb7 ♚xe2 25. ♙g2 ♚h3!+-] 24... ♙xe4+ 25. ♚g2 ♚h3!! [...] [26. ♚xe4 ♚xh2#] [0-1]

Rubinstein Akiba K (POL) - Lasker Emanuel (GER) It, St. Petersburg (Russia) 1909, 1-0, Opening: D32

1. d4 d5 2. ♘f3 ♘f6 3. c4 e6 4. ♙g5 c5 5. cxd5 exd5 6. ♘c3 cxd4 7. ♘xd4 ♘c6 8. e3 ♙e7 9. ♙b5 ♙d7 10. ♙xf6 ♙xf6 11. ♘xd5 ♙xd4 12. exd4 ♚g5! 13. ♙xc6 ♙xc6 14. ♘e3 O-O-O?! [14. ♙xg2! 15. ♘xg2 ♚xg2 16. ♚e2+ ♙d8 17. O-O-O+] 15. O-O ♚he8 16. ♚c1 ♚xe3 [16. ♙b8 17. ♚c5 ♚f4 18. d5 ♚xe3 19. ♚c1 ♚e4 20. dxc6 bxc6 21. ♚c3±] 17. ♚xc6+ bxc6 18. ♚c1!! ♚xd4 [18. ♚e5 19. ♚xc6+ ♙b8 20. dxe5 ♚xe5±] 19. fxe3 ♚d7 [19. ♚d6 20. ♚xf7±] 20. ♚xc6+ ♙d8 21. ♚f4!! f5 [21. ♚a5 22. ♚a8+ ♙e7 23. ♚e4+ ♙f6 24. ♚c6+ ♙g5 25. h4+-] 22. ♚c5! ♚e7 [22. ♚d1+ 23. ♙f2 ♚d2+ 24. ♙e1 ♚xg2 25. ♚a5+-] 23. ♚xe7+ ♙xe7 24. ♚xf5 ♚d1+ 25. ♙f2 ♚d2+ 26. ♙f3 ♚xb2 27. ♚a5 ♚b7 28. ♚a6! +- 28... ♙f8 29. e4 ♚c7 30. h4 ♙f7 31. g4 ♙f8 32. ♙f4 ♙e7 33. h5 h6 [33. ♙f7 34. ♙f5 ♙e7 35. g5 ♙f7 36. e5 ♙e7 37. g6! h6 38. ♚e6+ ♙d7 39. ♚f6! ♙e8 40. ♚f7!+-] 34. ♙f5 ♙f7 35. e5 ♚b7 36. ♚d6 ♙e7 37. ♚a6 ♙f7 38. ♚d6 ♙f8 39.

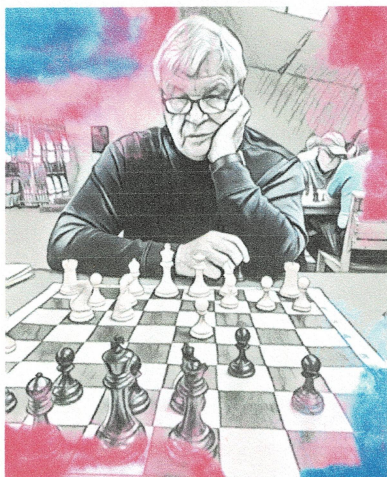
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♖c6 ♗f7 40. a3! [...] [40. ♗f8 41.
♗g6+-; 40. ♖e7 41. e6+ ♗g8 42. ♗g6
♖e8 43. e7+-]

**Rubinstein Akiba K (POL) - Schlechter
Carl (AUT) It, San Sebastian (Spain)
1912, 1-0, Opening: D41**

1. d4 d5 2. ♖f3 ♖f6 3. c4 e6 4. ♖c3 c5 5.
cxd5 ♖xd5 6. e4 ♖xc3 7. bxc3 cxd4 8.
cxd4 ♖b4+ 9. ♖d2 ♖a5 10. ♖b1 ♖xd2+
11. ♖xd2 ♖xd2+ 12. ♗xd2 O-O 13. ♖b5
a6 14. ♖d3 ♖d8 15. ♖hc1 b5 16. ♖c7
♖d7 17. ♗e3 ♖f6 18. ♖e5 ♖d7 19. g4
h6 20. f4 ♖e8 21. g5 hxg5 22. fxg5 ♖h7
23. h4 ♖dc8 24. ♖bc1 ♖xc7 25. ♖xc7
♖d8 26. ♖a7 f6 27. gxf6 gxf6 28. ♖g4
♖h5 29. ♖h6+ ♗h8 30. ♖e2 ♖e8 31.
♖xa6 ♗g7 32. ♖g4 f5 33. ♖a7+ ♗h8
34. ♖e5 fxe4 35. ♖xb5 ♖f6 36. ♖xe8
♖xe8 37. ♗f4 ♗g8 38. ♗g5 ♖f8 39.
♗g6 [1-0]



Club Officer Stan Hunter

Our Next Event!

Chaturanga Chess Club
G/45; +10. Dual-Rated
4-Round Swiss
April 10th & 17th. 2 rounds each night

Entry Fee:
Chaturanga CC members - \$10
North Penn CC Members - \$16
Non-Members - \$20

Rounds 1 & 3 start at 7:40 PM.
One half point bye permitted
for Round 1, 2 or 3. Must play
round 4 to be eligible for
prize.

Prize if Multi-Section:
1st Place - 40% of section entry fees.
2nd Place - 20% of section entry fees.

Prize if 1 Section:
1st Place - \$40
2nd Place - \$30

Top-In-Lower-Half - \$20
Top-In-Lower-Half prize determined by median
of all players ratings.

You MUST preregister with Stan by
email or text: stanwc21@gmail.com
215-285-2593 by 6:00PM, April 9th.
NO "Walk-Ins" permitted.



Members Stan W. and Jim Larsen