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In past issues we've expressed concern over the fact that the ACF was running a little low on funds. "That's the reason I haven't received the "Antics" lately." you assure yourself as you wait patiently by the mailbox. Not so! At the risk of getting my teeth kicked in by irate members, I must confess lack of time has slowed the presses. It's my fault, but we must have saved the ACF from bankruptcy anyway.

## Officer Nominations

ACF President, Jack Gwin has made appointments to the ACF committee to make appointments to state offices next year. As is constitutionally required, last year's president will chair the committee. Send your suggestions to these members:

Walter Schaetale, Chmn. Joe Pharo

Univ. of Ala. Birmingham, Ala.

Other committee members: Bill Hendry & Bill Bryan; addresses in newsletter heading above.

Nominations will be taken and elections held at the Alabama Chess Championships on Labor Day weekend.

## State Championship

The Alabama Open Championship will be at Montgomery this Labor Day weekend, at the new Civic Center. \$640 prize fund based on 80 entries. Entry fees: \$18 Open, \$16 Amateur, each \$2 less if received by August 31. 7 rounds, time control 50 moves/first 2 hours. Send entries to Lynn Bryan, Montgomery.  
. More details next issue.

## Keesler Challenge

Club team matches are great for filling in tournament gaps and very good for club morale. At the National, Dave Carr (shared the Vulcan Open title last year) came by and made this announcement:

The Keesler AFB Chess Club challenges any city chess club in the Mississippi-Alabama area to a team match.

Anyone interested should contact: Dave Carr,

Miss.

Dave says they'll play six to twelve boards.

## Huntsville News

by Jerry Wheeler

Bill,

This is just a note to let you know the Huntsville Chess Club still exists. Our club sponsored Charles Irvine (former Ala. champion - ed.) in a chess simultaneous on March 19. Charles lost only one game during a five hour non-stop period (he missed a mate-in-one near the end of the day). Approximately seventy-five games were played with about sixty players participating throughout the day. A number of new club members were signed up on the spot and an even larger number began playing in a 5 round rated tournament or taking a five week basic chess fundamentals course the following Monday night.

John Schweinsberg (directed last year's Space City Open - ed.) defeated Ken Williamson (another former Alabama champion - ed.) in a six player Round Robin tournament to become the current Huntsville Chess Champion.

We are working madly to form a school chess league and begin and end a schedule of games before school is out. To date, five high schools have already formed a league and eight middle and elementary schools have formed a second league.

Huntsville is losing its two top players in Marty Appleberry (another former Ala. champion - ed.) and Charles Irvine. Marty is attending school in Memphis and Charles will probably accept a job offer in Pensacola. Probably Marty will be relatively inactive in tournament play in the near future, whereas Charles will be able to play more once he settles into his job.

Huntsville's chess calendar for the next year includes rated and unrated swiss tourneys, simultaneous exhibitions, speed tournaments, tornadoes, club championship, and a revival of the Space City Open in March '78.

## Decatur

Donald Wade, of Decatur, played in the National Open and I encouraged him to get a club started in his city. It's too big a place to not have a chess club. Good luck, Donald!

## Sylacauga Chess

by Ray McGuire

The Sylacauga Chess Club is now officially organized and we will affiliate with USCF in the near future (as soon as we collect some dues). We meet every Monday night 6:00 to 10:00 at the new Recreation Building, excellent quarters and no rent to pay. We had a 5 round Swiss tournament (one game a week) organized and directed by Archie Horton. I went 5-0 to win it and Reggie White of Rockford was second at 4-1. 15 players started but only 10 finished. There was a \$10 entry fee and \$100 for first place (one prize only). It was not a rated tournament as only 2 or 3 players were USCF members.

I was elected President of the club and Reggie White Secretary-Treasurer, only 2 officers for time being.

Next Saturday is Sunshine Saturday here. It has become a big thing locally, a sort of all-day carnival, the profits going to the Sunshine Opportunity School for retarded children. As Sylacauga champion I have been persuaded to take on all comers simultaneously from 8 AM to 5 PM. They will pay \$1 to play and winners will receive a 6 months membership in the club. I would give an autographed copy of my latest book but unfortunately the presses are running late. One consolation, if I make a fool of myself the club will get a lot of new members.

## And Ft. Rucker

There's a new chess club at Fort Rucker, and that's about all we know about it. Persons interested in the new club contact: USA AWC Recreation Center, Attn: Pat Bowers, [redacted] Ft. Rucker, Ala. [redacted]

## 5th Skylab

Montgomery Chess Club's Skylab Memorial tournament will celebrate its fifth anniversary this year. It will be held June 25th & 26th. Sorry, it's open only to Montgomery CC members.

5 years ago when the club was considering what to name their new tournament the big news was that the "Skylab" space station wasn't functioning properly; not many folks thought that the brand new "moon" ever would. Lelia Russell suggested "Skylab Memorial". Soon, as now, it worked fine.

# Birmingham

Consider this: Your club wants to hold a Round Robin tournament - fine. Your club's probably the biggest in the state - rough. They want to play the rounds on consecutive meeting nights - \*!@#+#!

Joe Pharo acquired the hapless task of directing this

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1. Joe Pharo 1679	X	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	0
2. Dana Therrell 1693	1	X	1	1	0	1	1	1	0
3. Charles Cleveland 1720	1	0	X	1	0	1	1	1	1
4. James Halsey 1582	0	0	0	X	0	1	0	1	1
5. Steve Hudson 1933	1	1	1	1	X	1	1	0	0
6. George Whatley 1469	0	0	0	0	0	X	0	0	0
7. Alan Todd 1721	0	0	0	1	1	1	X	1	0
8. David McMullin 1424	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	X	0
9. Louis Dale 1581	1	1	0	0	-	1	-	-	X
10. William Herrmann 1444	1	0	0	1	-	1	0	1	-
11. Arliss Diets 1590	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-
12. Jack Gwin 1858	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	-
13. Lee Cleveland 1373	0	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
14. A.E. Brettauer UNR	0	0	-	0	0	0	-	0	0
15. Ernie Cockrell 1457	1	-	-	0	-	0	0	0	-
16. Lee McClendon 1319	0	1	-	-	-	0	-	-	-
17. Jack Randolph 1650	0	-	0	-	-	0	-	-	0
18. Louis Fleisher 1293	0	-	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
19. Charles Puckett 1615	0	0	-	0	-	-	0	1	1
20. Bobby Sims 1318	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-
21. Richard Ellis 1103	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	0	0
22. Frank Sanford 1297	0	0	-	0	-	0	-	1	0

## B'ham Speed Champ

by Jack Gwin

1. Therrell 8	Here is the outcome of the late January speed tournament in Birmingham. Each person played ten rounds.
2. Gwin 8	
3. Ayers 7	
4. Pharo 6½	
5. Cleveland 6	In the playoff Therrell won over Gwin about 7-5 (the first to get 2 ahead). The final game was 6 moves in length.
6. Todd 4½	
7. Halsey 4	
8. Herrmann 4	Therrell Gwin
9. Whatley 3½	1. P-K4 P-QB3 3. N-QB3 PxP 5. Q-K2?! KN-B3??
10. Visser 2½	2. P-Q4 P-Q4 4. NxP N-Q2 6. N-Q6mate
11. Johnston 1	

# Round Robin

mess for the Birmingham Chess Club. There were 22 rounds and at the end there were still many unplayed games (indicated by "-"), but to some extent Joe was rewarded for his efforts as he emerged the winner. Wanna try it again, Joe?

Sorry, no games.

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## Goodbye, Roger

You know that bunch from Pensacola, Florida? Those guys that love Alabama tournaments so well? Roger Peeples says that soon we won't see as many of them because the University of West Fla. is graduating some of them. They'll be moving out of our range. We'll miss you Roger, and Mark Powers, but most especially Bruce Foster who always helps the TD out by telling him he's not paired with the right opponent.

## 5<sup>th</sup> Queen of Hearts

Montgomery's big annual Open moved again, this time to the beautiful new Civic Center. The organizers were well pleased with the accommodations (maybe we can get something bigger here sometime). For the first time since the original event there were fewer than 100 players, maybe because the National Open was so close. The Queen of Hearts was held February 12 & 13.

Alan Todd of Birmingham scored 3 upsets and 2 draws with higher rated opponents to take the 1st trophy on tiebreaks & \$100. Robert Jurjevich, Friedrich Bittner & Ben Sides tied with Alan at 4-0 and took 2nd, 3rd, and 1st A trophies respectively and \$100 each. Other winners were: Mark Powers - 2nd A & \$7, Robert Frederick - \$7, Bruce Foster - \$7, Joe Pharo - 1st B & \$40, Michael Turcotte - 2nd B & \$4, Stan Sherman - \$4, Jere Roland - \$4, Terry Likens - \$4, Doug King - \$4, Arliss Dietz - 1st below 1600 & \$7, James Halsey - \$7, and Tom Burkett - \$7.

### OPEN SECTION

1. Alan Todd	1721	W15	D6	W16	W10	D2	4	Birmingham
2. Robert Jurjevich	1891	W19	W21	D10	W8	D1	4	Bay Minette
3. Friedrich Bittner	1837/9	D9	W30	W17	W7	D8	4	Theodore
4. Ben Sides	1853	L5	W24	W22	W12	W11	4	Millbrook
5. Joe Pharo	1679	W4	W13	L7	W19	D6	3½	Birmingham
6. Mark Powers	1826	W27	D1	D9	W13	D5	3½	Pensacola
7. Robert Frederick	1854	D18	W31	W5	L3	W9	3½	Huntington, W.Y.
8. Bruce Foster	1847	W28	W32	W11	L2	D3	3½	Pensacola
9. Michael Turcotte	1653	D3	W29	D6	W14	L7	3	Pensacola
10. Tom Hard	1844	W25	W34	D2	L1	D12	3	Montgomery
11. Stanley Sherman	1783	W24	W22	L8	W21	L4	3	Atlanta
12. Doug King	1664	W35	D14	W32	L4	D10	3	Weaver
13. Jere Roland	1783	W23	L5	W28	L6	W24	3	Slocomb
14. Scott Pfeiffer	1899	D31	D12	W25	L9	W18	3	Warrington, FL.
15. Steve Hudson	1933	L1	W26	L21	W28	W22	3	Birmingham
16. John Jones	1855	L22	W27	L1	W25	W21	3	Phenix City
17. Terry Likens	1770	D30	W18	L3	D29	W23	3	Tuskegee
18. Roger Peoples	1687	D7	L17	W20	W26	L14	2½	Pensacola
19. Al Hamilton	1704	L2	D35	W30	L5	W29	2½	Atlanta
20. Jack Owin	1858	L34	D23	L18	W30	W31	2½	Birmingham
21. Ray Downs	1749	W36	L2	W15	L11	L16	2	Montgomery
22. Dana Therrell	1693	W16	L11	L4	W33	L15	2	Fairfield
23. James Halsey	1582	L13	D20	D29	W34	L17	2	Birmingham
24. Arliss Dietz	1590	L11	L4	W36	W32	L13	2	Birmingham
25. Jim McGuire	1662	L10	W36	L14	L16	W33	2	Gadsden
26. Tom Burkett	1582	D29	L15	W31	L18	D28	2	Dothan
27. Gil Jennings	1621	L6	L16	L33	BYE	W32	2	Montgomery
28. Fred Dreher	1669	L8	W33	L13	L15	D26	1½	Montgomery
29. Peyton Crowder	1773	D26	L9	D23	D17	L19	1½	Starkville, Miss.
30. Ray McGuire	1574	D17	L3	L19	L20	BYE	1½	Sylacauga
31. Keith Biesada	1713	D14	L7	L26	W7	L20	1½	Auburn
32. Ulysses Martin	1763	W33	L8	L12	L24	L27	1	Atlanta
33. Tim Bond	1505	L32	L28	W27	L22	L25	1	Enterprise
34. Lee Harris	1694/20	W20	L10	L7	L23	withdrew	1	Montgomery
35. Chris Bond	1846	L12	D19	withdrew			½	Montgomery
36. Archie Norton	UNK	L21	L25	L24	L7		0	Sylacauga

Of 18 first round games in the Open Section, 5 were upsets and 5 were draws; the top 9 ranked players only managed 3 points.

Les Harris of Montgomery plays only once in a long while, but he managed to pull this one.

- round 1 board 4  
 Les Harris 20. N-N3 QR-B1  
 1. P-K4 P-QB4 21. P-B4 N-B5  
 2. N-KB3 P-Q3 22. Q-F2 NxF  
 3. P-Q4 PxF 23. N-Q5 Q-B3  
 4. NxF N-KB3 24. P-B5 NxF  
 5. N-QB3 P-N3 25. RfN Q-R5  
 6. B-K2 B-N2 26. PxF+ PxF  
 7. B-K3 O-O 27. R-B1+ K-N1  
 8. Q-Q2 R-N1 28. Q-B3 B-K3  
 9. P-TR4 B-Q2 29. Q-Q3 QxRP  
 10. P-R5 N-N5 30. P-K5 K-R2  
 11. BxN BxB 31. N-B3 Q-R6+  
 12. PxF BxN 32. K-Q2 BxF  
 13. P-KB3 B-Q2 33. R-TR1 B-B4  
 14. O-O-O P-B3 34. N-Q4 Q-N5+  
 15. P-KN4 N-K4 35. K-F3 BxN  
 16. Q-R2 F-B2 36. QxB R-B6+  
 17. B-R6 B-KB3 37. K-B2 QxQ  
 18. P-N5 B-R1 38. B-B8 K-N1  
 19. Q-Q2 Q-N3 39. resign

Friedrich Rittner, from Germany, is working in Mobile for awhile. His command of English is lacking, but is augmented by his smile & personality. Terry Likens followed his brother Rick to Ala. from North Dakota last year. Rick & Terry are Auburn chess Team stalwarts now.

- round 3 board 4  
 Likens Rittner 6. Ne3 Ne6  
 1. e4 e5 7. Ne4 O-O  
 2. f4 Be5 8. Nce5 dxc  
 3. Nf3 d6 9. O-O exf  
 4. Be4 Nf6 10. Bxf4 Nd4  
 5. d3 Bg4 11. h3 ...

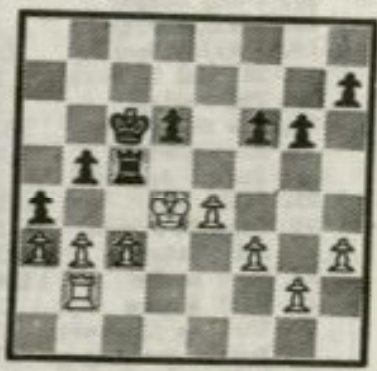


12. ... Bxf3+ 17. Kh2 Bg4  
 13. gxf3 Bxf3 18. Qg2 Bf3+  
 14. Be3 Qd6 19. Rxf3 Qxf3+  
 15. f4 Qg6+ 20. Kh2 Bxf4  
 16. Kh2 Qg7+ 21. Bxf4 Qxf4

22. Qg3 Qxg3+ 29. Rf1 Rxc2  
 23. Kxg3 c6 30. Kg3 Re7  
 24. a4 Rad8 31. b7 Re2  
 25. a5 Rd6 32. d4 Re3  
 26. e5 Rg6+ 33. Kf2 cxd  
 27. Kf4 Rg7 34. resign  
 28. Rcl Re8

Todd, Jurjevich & Rittner were leading after 4 rounds with 3½ each. Todd & Jurjevich were paired and drew - but no GM draw. Look.

- round 5 board 1  
 Todd Jurjevich 21. P-KB3 Q-K4  
 1. P-K4 P-K4 22. Q-B3 QR-N1  
 2. N-KB3 N-QB3 23. P-QN3 N-K3  
 3. B-N5 P-KN3 24. R-Q1 QxQ  
 4. P-Q4 PxF 25. RrQ P-QB4  
 5. B-N5 P-B3 26. B-B4 N-Q5  
 6. B-KB4 B-R3 27. R-Q2 R-N1  
 7. BxB NxB 28. K-B2 P-QB3  
 8. NxF O-O 29. R-F3 R/K1-Q1  
 9. NfN NPrN 30. R/3-Q3 R-N3  
 10. B-B4+ F-N2 31. P-B3 N-N4  
 11. N-B3 N-B2 32. BxN PxB  
 12. O-O N-Q3 33. R-Q5 K-B2  
 13. B-Q3 Q-K2 34. RxBP K-K2  
 14. R-K1 N-N2 35. R-B7+ R-Q2  
 15. Q-Q2 P-Q3 36. RxB KxR  
 16. R-K3 N-B4 37. K-K3 R-B3  
 17. B-B1 B-K3 38. K-Q4 R-B4  
 18. N-Q5 Q-B2 39. R-N2 K-B3  
 19. N-B4 KR-Q1 40. P-QR3 P-QR4  
 20. NxB QeN 41. P-R3 P-R5



42. P-QB4 F-NF 51. K-B3 R-Q8  
 43. PxF+ R-P 52. P-QR4 R-QR8  
 44. K-B4 P-Q4+ 53. K-N3 K-N3  
 45. PxF R-F2 54. K-N4 K-R3  
 46. PxF R-Q6+ 55. R-Q2 R-QN8+  
 47. F-R4 F-B4 56. K-R3 R-QR8+  
 48. R-B2+ K-N3 57. F-N3 R-QN8+  
 49. R-N2+ K-B3 58. K-R2 R-KN8  
 50. F-N4 R-Q5+ draw

Rittner also suffered a draw (39 moves against Bruce Foster), allowing sides, with a win, to catch the 3 at the top. Ben had been upset by Joe Thero in round 1.

Garland Wise of Tuskegee has spent several years floating around the 1200 rating point range. That's changed now! Like Alan Todd in the Open, Garland came from way down to win the Amateur, but with a perfect score. He soundly defeated foes rated an average of 249 points over him to take home \$100. Larry Britt of Mobile won clear second & \$60 with 4½ points.

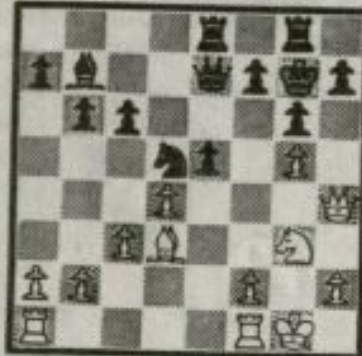
Other winners were: Robert Lloyd - 3rd & \$18, Charles Jurjevich - 1st C & \$18, Ronald Nettles - 2nd C & \$18, Tom Keith - \$18, John Sawyer - 1st D & \$15, Greg Hopkins - 2nd D & \$15, Jim Mosley - 1st E & \$20, Harry George - 2nd E & \$10, Billy Pilgrim - 1st Unrated & \$15, Alan Woodard - 2nd Unrated & \$15, and John Smith - Biggest Upset.

## AMATEUR SECTION

1. Garland Wise	1270	W9	W12	W15	W3	W7	5	Tuskegee
2. Larry Britt	1563	W6	W27	W29	D4	W11	4½	Mobile
3. Robert Lloyd	1477	W32	W34	W16	L1	W14	4½	Prattville
4. Charles Jurjevich	1457	W38	W30	W11	D2	D5	4	Atlanta
5. Ronald Nettles	1565/23	W36	D13	W25	W24	D4	4	Merix
6. Tom Keith	1540	W37	L10	W34	W18	W12	4	Gadsden
7. Igor Ostapesuk	1580	W31	D25	W43	W10	L1	3½	Dothan
8. John Sawyer	1366	W26	L15	W21	D9	W24	3½	Montgomery
9. Tom Purser	1527	L1	W45	W22	D8	W27	3½	Montgomery
10. Gregory Hopkins	1350/15	W23	W6	D24	L7	W25	3½	Pensacola
11. Mark Fowler	1589	W22	W19	L4	W20	L2	3	Dothan
12. James Clayton	1456	W48	L1	W46	W16	L6	3	Palham, Ga.
13. William Hermann	1444	W35	D5	L14	W28	D17	3	Pinson
14. Richard Batton	1574	L29	W39	W13	W19	L3	3	Birmingham
15. Larry Edwards	1553	W17	W8	L1	W33	L7	3	P. C., Fla.
16. Billy Pilgrim	UNR	W18	W40	L3	L12	W31	3	Montgomery
17. Terry Cooper	1273	L15	D26	W23	W7	D13	3	Montgomery
18. David Worley	1393	L16	W48	W35	L6	W30	3	Tuscaloosa
19. Charles Koch	1451/5	W44	L11	W30	L14	W33	3	Auburn
20. Michael Thomason	1411	W42	L24	W38	L11	W36	3	Birmingham
21. Jim Mosley	1169	L25	W31	L8	W37	W40	3	Birmingham
22. Lee McClendon	1341/23	L11	W44	L9	W45	W32	3	Birmingham
23. Alan Woodard	UNR	L10	W37	L17	W7	W29	3	Montgomery
24. Jim E. Jackson	1577	W33	W20	D10	L5	L8	2½	Ft. Gaines, Ga.
25. Billy Ivy	1446	W27	D7	L5	W29	L10	2½	Mobile
26. Kenneth Bryant	UNR	L8	D17	L28	W35	W41	2½	Montgomery
27. Bob Pitts	1399	W47	L2	D32	W39	L9	2½	Columbus, Ga.
28. Carl Mackay	1262/10	D40	L43	W26	L13	W39	2½	Columbus, Ga.
29. Carl Rogers	1330	W14	W41	L2	L25	L23	2	Birmingham
30. Charles Olmstead	1264	W7	L4	L19	W34	L18	2	Pensacola
31. Robert Berringer	1338/9	L7	L21	W48	W38	L16	2	Gulf Breeze, Fl.
32. Bill Salmon	1258	L3	W49	D27	D41	L22	2	Miss.
33. Frank Abarne	1323	L24	W42	W41	L15	L19	2	Tampa, Fla.
34. Steve Pullis	1346	W49	L3	L6	L30	W45	2	Birmingham
35. Harry George	1155	L13	W36	L18	L26	W47	2	Montgomery
36. Bobby Sims	1318	L5	L35	W47	W44	L20	2	Gardendale
37. William Williams	1271/22	L6	L23	W42	L21	D38	1½	Tuskegee
38. Lynn Bryan	1226	L4	W50	L20	L31	D37	1½	Montgomery
39. John Smith	1125/19	D43	L14	W40	L27	L28	1½	Dothan
40. Rick Likens	1478	D28	L16	L39	W7	L21	1½	Tuskegee
41. George Whatley	1469	W45	L29	L33	D32	L26	1½	Birmingham
42. Ben Hunt	UNR	L20	L33	L37	D47	W44	1½	Birmingham
43. Tim DeVore	1482	D39	W28	L7	L7	L7	1½	Auburn
44. Clyde Miller	1215	L19	L22	W50	L36	L42	1	Pensacola
45. Ed Henry	1250	L41	L9	W49	L22	L34	1	Pensacola
46. Glen McGraw	1290	L2	W47	L12	L7	L7	1	Pensacola
47. Edwin Levine	UNR	L27	L46	L36	D42	L35	½	Lawson, Fla.
48. Manuel Godfrey	1216/24	L12	L18	L31	withdrew	0	0	Rockmart, Ga.
49. Raphael Harris	UNR	L34	L32	L45	L7	L7	0	Montgomery
50. Fred Large	1357	L7	L38	L44	withdrew	0	0	Montgomery

In round 5 there were several critical games, the most critical being the first board encounter between the leader, Wise, and Ostapczuk. Early in the game Wise came to me and asked if he could win with a draw. I said it was too early to tell. He replied "Well, I'll go ahead and win."

- round 5 board 1  
 Ostapczuk Wise
- |          |       |             |       |
|----------|-------|-------------|-------|
| 1. P-K4  | P-Q4  | 11. N-K2    | Q-K2  |
| 2. P-Q4  | PxP   | 12. N(2)-N3 | N-Q2  |
| 3. B-QB4 | N-KB3 | 13. N-R5    | K-R1  |
| 4. B-KN5 | P-K3  | 14. Q-R3    | P-N3  |
| 5. N-Q2  | B-K2  | 15. Q-N4    | R-N1  |
| 6. P-QB3 | O-O   | 16. N(5)-B  | N-N   |
| 7. BxN   | BxB   | 17. Q-R4    | K-N2  |
| 8. NxF   | P-QN3 | 18. P-KN4   | QR-K1 |
| 9. Q-KB3 | P-B3  | 19. N-N3    | P-K4  |
| 10. B-Q3 | B-N2  | 20. O-O     | N-Q4  |
|          |       | 21. P-N5    | ....  |



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| 21. ....  | N-B5    | 37. N-F+   | K-R3   |
| 22. B-B2  | Q-F     | 38. P-B6   | R-KR1  |
| 23. QxQ   | N-R6+   | 39. P-K5   | K-N2   |
| 24. K-N2  | N-Q     | 40. QR-K1  | R-R7+  |
| 25. P-KB4 | P-B4+   | 41. F-N3   | R-F7   |
| 26. K-R2  | N-B6+   | 42. R-KR1  | R-KP   |
| 27. F-R3  | B-B1+   | 43. QR-KB1 | N-B4+! |
| 28. K-N2  | N-RP-   | 44. R-N    | RxR    |
| 29. K-R2  | KxP     | 45. N-N4   | R-N7   |
| 30. P-P   | N-B6+   | 46.        | RxF    |
| 31. F-N2  | NxF     | 47. R-N1   | RxF    |
| 32. B-N4  | R-K2    | 48. N-N3?  | R-R6   |
| 33. R-KN1 | R(1)-K1 | 49. K-N4   | R-K4   |
| 34. P-B3  | B-N2    | 50. N-B4   | RxR    |
| 35. F-B2  | BxB     | 51. resign |        |
| 36. PxP   | P-KR4?  |            |        |

Larry Britt of Mobile assured a second place finish with a win over Mark Fowler of Dothan. Mark has won the Q of H Amateur twice in the past.

- Britt Fowler  
 round 5 board 3
- |          |       |         |      |
|----------|-------|---------|------|
| 1. P-Q4  | N-KB3 | 6. P-K3 | O-O  |
| 2. P-QB4 | F-N3  | 7. B-Q3 | P-B4 |
| 3. P-QR3 | B-K2  | 8. O-O  | PxP  |
| 4. N-QR3 | P-QN3 | 9. NxF  | N-B3 |

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|----------|-------|-----------|------|
| 10. N-B3 | Q-B2  | 12. P-K4  | B-B4 |
| 11. R-K1 | P-QR3 | 13. P-KR3 | N-K4 |



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| 14. B-B4  | BxF+    | 31. NxF   | K-N2   |
| 15. KxB   | NxB+    | 32. NxF   | P-B4+  |
| 16. QxN   | QxB     | 33. K-N3  | R-Q7   |
| 17. P-K5  | N-R4    | 34. N-B5  | K-R3   |
| 18. N-K2  | Q-B4    | 35. NxF   | K-N4   |
| 19. QxQ   | PxQ     | 36. N-B5  | P-B5+  |
| 20. P-KN4 | PxP     | 37. F-B3  | F-B4   |
| 21. PxP   | R-K1    | 38. R-KB  | P-N4   |
| 22. PxN   | BxN     | 39. R-KN8 | P-QR7  |
| 23. KxB   | RxP     | 40. R-BB+ | K-N3   |
| 24. N-B4  | R-KB4   | 41. P-R4  | R-QB7  |
| 25. QR-Q1 | P-KN4   | 42. N-F4  | R-N7   |
| 26. PxFep | RP-F    | 43. R-N8+ | K-R3   |
| 27. K-N4  | R(1)-R1 | 44. RxP   | RxP+   |
| 28. P-N3  | R(1)-B4 | 45. KxF   | R-N5   |
| 29. R-Q5  | QRxR    | 46. F-B5  | RxF    |
| 30. NxB   | R-B7    | 47. P-B6  | resign |

Bob Lloyd of Prattville doesn't play much chess, just an occasional Montgomery journey. And getting him to come to the Montgomery Chess Club is like pulling teeth. But he finished in the prizes with this win over Rick Batton of Birmingham. It's a story of lost tempo.

- round 5 board 4  
 Lloyd Batton
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|-----------|-------|-----------|---------|
| 1. P-Q4   | P-KB4 | 16. Q-N4  | R-B3    |
| 2. P-K3   | N-KB3 | 17. QR-N1 | P-KR3   |
| 3. B-Q3   | P-N3  | 18. N-R3  | K-R2    |
| 4. P-KR3  | P-Q3  | 19. P-N3  | Q-K2    |
| 5. P-KB4  | B-N2  | 20. F-N2  | Q-N5    |
| 6. N-Q2   | P-N3  | 21. F-B3  | Q-K2    |
| 7. KN-B3  | B-N2  | 22. R-KR1 | R-B2    |
| 8. O-O    | P-K3  | 23. P-R5  | R-B3    |
| 9. Q-K1   | O-O   | 24. Q-R4  | F-F     |
| 10. Q-N3  | Q-K1  | 25. QxF   | K-N1    |
| 11. P-QN3 | N-Q2  | 26. P-KN4 | N-B1    |
| 12. B-N2  | N-K5  | 27. R-KN1 | N-R2    |
| 13. BxN   | PxB   | 28. P-B5  | QR-B1   |
| 14. P-N5  | P-Q4  | 29. N-B4  | R(1)-B2 |
| 15. P-KR4 | R-B1  | 30. N-F   | B-B1    |
|           |       | 31. N-B4  | R-Q3    |
|           |       | 32. B-R3  | resign  |



Pictures from the QUEEN OF HEARTS. 1 - Friedrich Rittner, 2 - Robert Jurjevich, 3 - Garland Wise, 4 - Mark Powers, 5 - Charles Jurjevich, 6 - Ronald Nettles.



# National Open

Yes, it happened! Alabama had its first national tournament. You've already read about it in the June C, L & R so this will be more or less a supplemental report.

The aforementioned article credited several folks with the success of the National, but missed a couple of important ones. First, ACF President Jack Gwin, who somewhat guided decisions and negotiations from this end. Second, Walter Schaetzle, last year's ACF President, who initiated and discussed the idea with USCF Secretary Lee Hyder at the '76 U.S. Open. Dr. Schaetzle brought the details home and searched out support to make the idea a reality. Also, thanks to Chris Bond's kids, who had to ride back to Montgomery on the demonstration boards he lent the organizers.

Mr. and Mrs. Jurjevich of Blackburn Ave. in Bay Minette don't play chess, but they have seven or eight children who do. Years ago the eldest brought the game home and "chess" has been the password since. Six Jurjeviches are now tournament players including the youngest, Maria, who got into tourneys last year. Maria says brother Robert, who may be Alabama's next expert, is a little impatient when instructing her. Welcome to tournament chess Maria; you're unique, not because you're a Jurjevich, but because you're a female.

Maria was haunting the halls at the University of South Alabama conference center (site of the National Open) while three of her brothers, Joe, Robert, and Charles, were playing.

I first met Jayme Sunye as Lynn and I arrived at our lodging quarters on the U of SA Brookley campus. He came wandering up behind "Bubba" Hendry who was serving as (pick one) a. body guard, b. guide, c. interpreter, d. companion, e. none of the above. We were introduced, and while Bubba and I discussed his record Jayme looked puzzled. Then Bubba said "He likes pizza," and Jayme's face lit up. The amiable champion of Brazil improved his comprehension of English through the week and dispensed a lot of thank-yous for congratulations on his 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  winning score.

Sunye's trip was being financed by the Organization of American States as a cultural exchange.

Despite the heat (air conditioning men on vacation) and noise (squeaky floors, no carpets) the more familiar master from Florida, Arnold Denker, continued to smile. Several people commented on how readily Denker would speak with just any wood-pusher. Denker finished second on tie-breaks over master Walter Shirman of New York and experts Charles Maddigan of Indiana and David Sprenkle of Illinois. There were 47 winners (whom we won't list) of from \$20 to \$1000.

1. Jayme Sunye	2265	W60	W101	W16	W9	W27	W6	D2	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	Brazil
2. Arnold Denker	2365	W65	W122	W14	D13	W4	W7	D1	6	Fla.
3. Walter Shipman	2285	W39	W100	W17	D15	W29	W23	D6	6	N.Y.
4. Charles Maddigan	2191	W71	W53	W19	W34	L2	W43	W14	6	Ind.
5. David Sprenkle	2011	W141	W26	L6	W101	W51	W65	W20	6	Ill.
6. Ronald Henley	2331	W116	W54	W5	W45	W6	L1	D3	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	Tex.
7. tin Taylor	2340	W77	D49	W11	W24	W15	L2	W17	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	Pa.
8. Elliott Winslow	2266	W112	W84	W67	W10	L6	D12	W28	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	Mo.
9. John Kardandrea	2024	W142	W81	W48	L1	D30	W25	W27	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	Fla.
10. Charles Lawton	2101	W97	W108	W30	L8	W76	D16	W31	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	N.Y.
11. Joe Jurjevich	1815	W104	W120	L7	D40	W17	W31	W45	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	Ala.
12. James Bagley	2063	W18	W21	D21	D19	W24	D8	D13	5	Fla.
13. Mark Bradford	2216	W33	W47	W124	D2	W31	L3	D12	5	Tex.
14. Donald Reents	2043	W156	W37	L2	W53	W4	W33	L4	5	Iowa
15. Paul Brandts	2155	W61	W55	W58	D3	L7	D19	W51	5	N.Y.
16. George Carswell	1978	W94	W78	L1	W42	W75	D10	D25	5	Fla.
17. David Timberlake	1994	W137	W59	L3	W52	W74	W21	L7	5	La.
18. Dale Kinabrew	1958	L12	W159	W39	W37	W66	L20	W52	5	N.M.
19. Robert Jurjevich	1891	W96	W115	L4	D12	W52	D15	W55	5	Ala.
20. Paul Kuroda	2100	W113	W71	L24	W126	W38	W18	L5	5	Ark.
21. Denis Barry	1910	W129	W35	L45	W26	L22	W69	W53	5	N.J.
22. D.F. Strenswilk	2180	W108	W155	W70	L27	W21	L17	W54	5	Mo.
23. C.L. Parreiras-Morta	2002	W95	W57	L27	W100	W19	L4	W47	5	Tex.
24. Friedrich Bittner	1837	W159	W154	W20	L7	L12	W89	W62	5	Ala.
25. Robert Atlas	2096	W85	D73	W49	D123	W57	W70	D16	5	Tex.

26. Richard Sansing	1705	W150	L5	W90	L21	W94	W93	W48	5	Tex.
27. Eugene Martinovsky	2304	W88	W126	W23	W22	L1	D28	L9	4	Ill.
28. Edgar McCormack	2052	W105	W36	W123	L29	W48	D27	L8	4	N.J.
29. Scott Pfeiffer	1899	W132	D69	W56	W28	L3	L9	W75	4	Fla.
30. Chris Bond	1846	W107	W68	L10	W79	D9	D47	D36	4	Ala.
31. Mark Powers	1826	W127	W90	D12	W41	L13	W67	L10	4	Fla.
34. John Parsons	1954	W92	D89	W4	L4	W77	L11	W78	4	La.
33. Ruth Orton	1952	D46	W133	D89	W59	W35	L14	D43	4	Ark.
34. Robert Ash	1818	W103	D50	D46	W116	L14	D35	W77	4	Ill.
35. Joe Pizaro	1679	W149	L21	W87	W58	L33	D34	W70	4	Ala.
36. John Dotson	1708	W72	L28	W154	D124	D86	W64	D30	4	Ill.
37. Curtis Lotts	1716	W139	L14	W98	L18	W137	D40	W67	4	Tex.
38. Bruce Foster	1847	W118	D56	D50	W99	L20	D74	W69	4	Fla.
39. Daniel Schey	1610	L3	W151	L18	W107	D122	W44	W73	4	Tex.
40. Mike Proschan	2095	L68	W97	W88	L47	W120	D37	W63	4	Fla.
41. B.L. Patteson	2010	D71	W113	W73	L31	L69	W87	W74	4	Tex.
44. Alan Todd	1721	W148	L12	W129	L16	D72	W88	W80	4	Ala.
43. Chuck Krieger	1728	L50	W102	W92	L67	W105	W86	D33	4	Ill.
44. Walter Schaetsle	1677	W136	D64	L32	L66	W118	W92	W76	4	Ala.
45. Luis Busquets	2204	W63	W52	W21	L6	W64	L5	L11	4	Fla.
46. Tim Bond	1505	D33	W62	D34	W122	L11	L55	W59	4	Ala.
47. Alberto Prieto	1761	W145	L13	W95	W40	D67	D30	L23	4	La.
48. John Puelen	1832	W104	W98	L9	W62	L28	W115	L26	4	Cal.
49. Michael Galliano	1747	W146	D7	D25	W96	L23	L62	W105	4	Okl.
50. Jose Garcia	1300	W43	D34	D38	L51	L56	W126	W91	4	La.
51. Harold Jondis	1793	W86	L123	W91	W50	L5	W79	L15	4	Mass.
52. William Kerr	1751	W110	L45	W94	L17	W61	W95	L18	4	Cal.
53. Nevis Smith	1747	W125	L4	W82	L14	W142	W108	L21	4	Tex.
54. Donny Gray	1783	W151	L6	L68	W132	W50	W56	L22	4	Ark.
55. Robert Churchill	1725	W135	L15	L117	W72	W141	W46	L19	4	Tenn.
56. Exxon Muzzy-Loreno	1648	W153	D38	L29	D118	W50	L54	W103	4	Mexico
57. Roberto Vandenberg	1701	W111	L23	W109	D117	L25	D71	W95	4	La.
58. Ben Lides	1853	W109	W99	L15	L35	D88	D65	W97	4	Ala.
59. Louis Ays	1695	W140	L17	W118	L33	D82	D72	W94	4	Tex.
60. Steve Ledford	1600	L1	W114	L76	W103	L54	W104	W87	4	Ky.
61. Richard Batton	1578	L15	W125	L122	W102	L52	W107	W93	4	Ala.
62. Mike Hiers	1654	W133	L46	W136	L48	W125	W49	L24	4	Ala.
63. Ariane Diets	1590	L45	L87	W106	W130	W126	W100	L40	4	Ala.
64. Thomas Walker	1926	W117	D44	D69	W78	L45	L36	W7	4	Fla.
65. Matt Hunter	1647	L2	L119	W143	D90	W146	D58	W86	4	Kiss.
66. Howard Teess	1519	L67	L128	L131	W152	W144	W106	W89	4	Ohio
67. Roger Ludolph	1985	W66	W74	L8	W43	D47	L31	L37	3	Miss.
68. Larry Britt	1563	W40	L30	W54	D11	L19	L80	W119	3	Ala.
69. E. B. Congleton	1667	W157	D29	D64	D70	W41	L21	L38	3	Conn.
70. Robert Frederick	1854	W119	W79	L22	D69	W71	L25	L35	3	N.Y.
71. Craig Cotten	1536	D41	L20	W145	W73	L70	D57	D79	3	Ala.
72. Larry Edwards	1553	L36	W139	W84	L55	D42	D59	D81	3	Fla.
73. Dale Fitzsimons	1722	W144	D25	L41	L71	W90	W82	L39	3	La.
74. Dana Therrell	1693	W152	L67	W107	W93	L17	D38	L41	3	Ala.
75. Robert Campbell	1609	W160	L124	W119	W109	L16	D76	L29	3	Ga.
76. Philip Lamb	1859	L154	W127	W60	W89	L10	D75	L44	3	Ga.
77. Edward Outh	1641	L7	D86	W133	W119	L32	W120	L34	3	N.Y.
78. Matthew Goshen	1691	W134	L16	W104	L64	D92	W117	L32	3	La.
79. Charles Meidinger	1659	W138	L70	W111	L30	W127	L51	D71	3	Ala.
80. Ronald Toifel	1379	L126	L112	W158	D113	W83	W68	L42	3	Fla.
81. Gabriel Caffaratti	1720	W131	L9	L96	W154	L95	W98	W72	3	Tex.
82. Richard Bellezza	1515	L124	W152	L53	W150	D59	L73	W121	3	Ala.
83. Robertson Sillars	1592	L13	D145	L86	W121	L80	W118	W117	3	Ill.
84. Terry Likens	1770	W143	L8	L72	D120	W7	L39	W114	3	Ala.
85. Jeff Kish	1572	L25	D110	D144	L87	W135	D119	W120	3	Wv.

PICTURES NEXT PAGE: 1 - Brendts, Henley, Vally Helgeson of Huntsville who kept the demo boards, Busquets. 2 - Mike Hiers who along with Larn Britt produced and sold T-shirts. 3 - Jim Gates & Bill Hendry, 2 of the EDM. 4 - Denker. 5 - Shipman. 6 - Maddigan. 7 - Sunye & Nerdandren, with Winslow in back. 8 - Orton, Kuroda. 9 - Joe Jurjevich. 10 - Sunye.





86. Edwin Meiners	1421	L51	D77	W83	W44	D36	L43	L65	3	Tex.
87. Gregory Hopkins	1350	L101	W63	L35	W85	W99	L41	L60	3	Fla.
88. Charles Puckett	1615	L27	W146	L40	W104	D58	L42	D92	3	Ala.
89. Bill Roberson	1587	W147	D32	D33	L76	W129	L24	L66	3	Ala.
90. Marilyn Berger	1472	W106	L31	L26	D65	L73	W143	D113	3	Miss.
91. Tom Burkett	1582	L4	W106	L51	W114	L100	W127	L50	3	Ala.
92. Bill Sparckman	1507	L32	W134	L43	W157	D78	L44	D88	3	Ala.
93. Mike Greco	1887	L98	W103	W112	L74	W116	L26	L61	3	Tex.
94. Rick Johnson	1518	L16	W140	L52	W136	L26	W125	L59	3	Miss.
95. Herman Schramm	1525	L23	W150	L47	W144	W81	L52	L57	3	Wis.
96. S. Schmidt	1478	L19	W121	W81	L49	L115	L116	W125	3	Nov.
97. Jim Jackson	1577	L10	L40	L125	W140	W110	W102	L58	3	Ca.
98. Gary Ladner	1476	W93	L48	L37	L115	W131	L81	W135	3	Miss.
99. Jerry Tillman	1675	W158	L58	W128	L38	L87	W109	L46	3	Ala.
100. David Lannie	1779	W114	L3	W156	L23	W91	L63	withdrew	3	Ala.
101. Richard Katson	1762	W87	L1	W141	L5	L108	W132	withdrew	3	Tenn.
102. Robert Shipp	1443	L11	L43	W147	L61	W134	L97	W133	3	Ala.
103. Billy Ivy	1446	L34	L93	W134	L60	W128	W137	L56	3	Ala.
104. Charles Jurjevich	1457	L48	W157	L78	L88	W111	L60	W138	3	Ca.
105. James Myers	1556	L28	D144	D110	W131	L43	W130	L49	3	Okl.
106. Larry Bryant	1331/9	L90	L91	L63	W138	W112	L66	W129	3	Tenn.
107. George Whitley	1469	L30	W153	L74	L39	W150	L61	W134	3	Ala.
108. Ernest Blair	1578	L22	L10	W135	W151	W101	L53	L8	3	Fla.
109. Marvin Galloway	1472	L58	W138	L57	L75	W139	L99	W131	3	Ala.
110. Frank Aharno	1323	L52	D35	D105	L142	L97	W140	W132	3	Fla.
111. Robert Horton	1233	L57	W137	L79	L141	L104	W128	W127	3	Miss.
112. John Kussar	1605	L8	W80	L93	L127	L106	W150	W130	3	La.
113. Bubba Wendry	1523	L20	L41	W148	D80	L8	W146	D90	3	Ala.
114. Steve Welborn	1371	L100	L60	W153	L91	W155	W129	L84	3	Tex.
115. Jim Dacus	1662	W121	L19	L120	W98	W96	L48	withdrew	3	Kan.
116. Keith Killcrease	1639	L6	W130	W155	L34	L93	W96	withdrew	3	Miss.
117. William Milne	1501	L64	W147	W55	D57	L11	L78	L83	2	La.
118. William Beaty	1471	L38	W158	L59	D56	L44	L83	W147	2	Okl.
119. Charles Maltman	1440	L70	W65	L75	L77	W149	D85	L68	2	Ill.
120. James Bryant	1275	BYE	L11	W115	D84	L40	L77	L65	2	Tenn.
121. Leila Hagen	UNK	L115	L96	D146	L83	W145	W151	L82	2	Miss.
122. Allen Kornfeld	1789	W130	L2	W61	L46	D39	withdrew		2	Ill.
123. Charles Galloway	1698	W128	W51	L28	D25	withdrew			2	La.
124. David Korse	1976	W32	W75	L13	D36	withdrew			2	Pa.
125. James Chastain	1317	L53	L61	W97	W156	L62	L94	L96	2	Fla.
126. Jere Roland	1783	W80	L27	W142	L20	L63	L50	withdrew	2	Ala.
127. Richard Kueberth	1455	L31	L76	W152	W112	L79	L91	L111	2	Id.
128. Marcus Hasey	1229	L123	W66	L99	L137	L103	L111	L153	2	Ala.
129. Edsel Robinson	1491	L21	W149	L42	W155	L89	L114	L106	2	Miss.
130. Bill Tris	1413	L112	L116	W149	L63	W136	L105	L112	2	Tex.
131. Charles Olmstead	1264	L81	L141	W66	L105	L98	W136	L109	2	Fla.
132. Joel Baillargeon	1486	L29	L136	W140	L54	W148	L101	L110	2	La.
133. Bob Lutz	UNK	L62	L33	L77	L148	W159	W145	L102	2	
134. Steven Roth	1217	L78	L92	L103	W159	L102	W144	L107	2	Ala.
135. Frank Sanford	1297	L55	L142	L108	W158	L85	W152	L98	2	Ala.
136. Jim Rowley	1169	L44	W132	L62	L94	L130	L131	W150	2	Ala.
137. Donald Stone	1520	L7	L111	W139	W128	L37	L103	withdrew	2	K.J.
138. Ben Hunt	UNK	L79	L109	L151	L106	W153	W139	L104	2	Ala.
139. Garry Williams	1243	L37	L72	L137	W153	L109	L138	W152	2	Ala.
140. James Pope	1228	L59	L94	L132	L97	W158	L110	L8	2	Fla.
141. Thomas C'Grady	1536	L5	W131	L101	W111	L55	withdrew	2	Fla.	
142. Joseph Datlof	1562	L9	W135	L126	W110	L53	withdrew	2	Miss.	
143. Maurice Langston	1359/7	L84	L8	L65	D147	W151	L90	D144	2	Ill.
144. Pat Koster	1284	L73	D105	D85	L95	L66	L134	D143	1	Iowa
145. Ray Beer	1345	L47	D83	L71	L146	L121	L133	W158	1	Ohio
146. Larry Groner	1407	L49	L98	D121	W145	L65	L113	withdrew	1	Ohio
147. Clyde Miller	1215	L89	L117	L102	D143	L8	W158	L118	1	Fla.
148. L. J. Bounds	1277	L42	L156	L113	W133	L132	D149	withdrew	1	La.
149. Vernell Herbert	1214	L35	L129	L130	BYE	L119	D148	withdrew	1	Miss.
150. Robert Ancker	1238/5	L26	L95	W159	L82	L107	L112	L136	1	La.
151. Warren Hullinger	1405	L54	L39	W138	L108	L143	L121	L8	1	Fla.
152. Lynn Bryan	1226	L74	L82	L127	L66	BYE	L135	L139	1	Ala.
153. Donald Wade	UNK	L56	L107	L114	L139	L138	BYE	L128	1	Ala.
154. Bob Post	1472	W76	L34	L36	L81	withdrew			1	Canada
155. Jerome Kornfeld	1157	W8	L32	L116	L129	L114	withdrew		1	Ill.
156. Charles Jones	1554	L14	W14	L10	L105	withdrew			1	Pa.
157. Harry George	1355	L6	W14	L1	L92	withdrew			1	La.
158. Craig Gates	UNK	L57	L117	L1	L135	L140	L147	L145	0	Ca.
159. Sam Solomon	1457	L24	L18	L150	L134	L133	withdrew		0	La.
160. Donald Phillips	1216	L75	W148	withdrew					0	La.

I first saw Mike Froschan of Tallahassee when he was a 15 year old expert drawing with master Milan Nomic to take his share of first place in the first Wiregrass Open. He's not so fortunate against Larry Britt of Mobile.

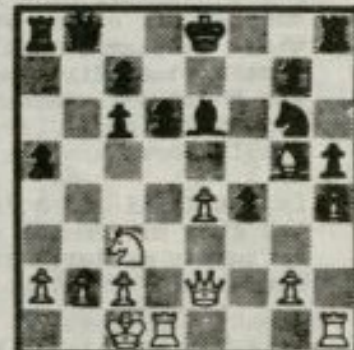
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| round 1 board 16 | 15. F-B3 | F-R7      |        |
| Britt Froschan   | 16. O-O  | P-KN4     |        |
| 1. P-Q4          | P-KN3    | 17. Q-N4  | P-N3   |
| 2. P-K4          | B-N2     | 18. KR-Q2 | F-N3   |
| 3. N-KB3         | P-Q3     | 19. F-Q6  | F-B4   |
| 4. B-KB4         | N-KB3    | 20. Q-R3  | Q-B3   |
| 5. N-B7          | O-O      | 21. KR-Q2 | B-N3   |
| 6. B-B4          | F-B3     | 22. Nxf4  | Pxf4   |
| 7. Q-Q2          | Nxf4?    | 23. P-B3  | B-R4   |
| 8. Bxf4          | R-B      | 24. Bxf4  | B-B3   |
| 9. NxN           | B-N3     | 25. B-B3  | Rx3    |
| 10. N4-N5        | R-B7     | 26. F-N7  | R-Q2   |
| 11. P-B5         | F-N4     | 27. Q-N3  | R-P??  |
| 12. N-N          | F        | 28. Q-N4+ | QxQ    |
| 13. B-N3         | F-N1     | 29. R-R   | resign |
| 14. P-QB4        | F-N3     |           |        |

With Crton of Anderson is one of the top women players in the nation. Out to sea with Tim Bond of Enterprise.

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| round 1 board 29 | 28. N-B7 | F-B7      |      |
| Crton Bond       | 29. N-N2 | F-N3      |      |
| 1. P-A4          | F-N4     | 30. P-B3  | F-B3 |
| 2. N-KB3         | F-B3     | 31. N-B7  | F-N4 |
| 3. B-N5          | F-R3     | 32. N-N2  | F-N3 |
| 4. B-N           | QF-B     | 33. N-B7  | K-B3 |
| 5. O-O           | F-B3     | 34. N-N2  | F-N3 |
| 6. P-A4          | B-N5     | 35. F-N3  | B-R4 |
| 7. Pxf4          | F-N3     | 36. F-B2  | F-N3 |
| 8. R-N           | F-N      | 37. B-QR3 | K-N3 |
| 9. R-Q7          | B-N3     | 38. N-N2  | F-N5 |
| 10. N-N2         | F-N3     | 39. F-N4  | F-N  |
| 11. P-B4         | O-O      | 40. Rf-P  | F-B4 |
| 12. N3-N         | B-N7     | 41. N-B2  | N-Q6 |
| 13. R-N          | B7-N     | 42. P-N4  | N-P  |
| 14. N-B          | B-B4     | 43. N-N4  | N-N  |
| 15. R-N          | R-N      | 44. N-Q5  | F-N4 |
| 16. B-N          | R-N      | 45. N-N4  | K-N4 |
| 17. N-N2         | R5-N     | 46. N-B6+ | K-N  |
| 18. R-N          | B-B      | 47. N-N4  | N-N  |
| 19. R-B          | R-R      | 48. F-N   | F-N4 |
| 20. F-R          | F-N5     | 49. P-N4  | F-P  |
| 21. F-N3         | F-N4     | 50. Pxf4  | F-N3 |
| 22. R-K2         | F-N      | 51. F-B5  | F-N4 |
| 23. B-N4         | R-B3     | 52. N-N   | F-N  |
| 24. R-B2         | R-R      | 53. K-N   | F-B5 |
| 25. F-R          | F-B2     | 54. F-Q3  | F-F  |
| 26. F-N3         | P-QB4    | 55. F-B4  | K-B4 |
| 27. P-QN3        | F-N3     |           | draw |

Mr. Parreiras-Horta of Austin, Texas didn't speak good English but won some money anyway. Here he plays master Eugene Martinovsky, who maintained a neat appearance and polite composure despite the heat.

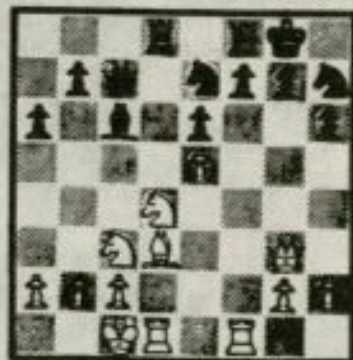
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| Parreiras-Horta | Martinovsky |           |       |
| round 3 board 3 | 9. N-B3     | B-K2      |       |
| 1. P-K4         | F-F4        | 10. Q-B4  | B-Q2  |
| 2. N-KB3        | N-QB3       | 11. F-N4  | F-N4  |
| 3. B-N5         | F-QR3       | 12. O-O   | B-QB4 |
| 4. B-B4         | P-Q3        | 13. F-N   | Bxf4  |
| 5. B-N          | F-B         | 14. KN-N5 | B-N   |
| 6. F-Q4         | F-B3        | 15. B-B   | F-N   |
| 7. B-N3         | N-K2        | 16. F-K2  | B-N   |
| 8. Q-N3         | K-N3        | 17. F-B4  | F-N   |



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| 18. N-N5? | B-N5 | 24. R-F4   | Q-B2  |
| 19. Q-N1  | PdN  | 25. R-B    | F-R   |
| 20. Pxf4  | N-F4 | 26. F-R5   | QR-N1 |
| 21. R-Q4  | O-O  | 27. Q-N3   | N-K4  |
| 22. Bxf4  | N-N3 | 28. resign |       |
| 23. B-Q2  | F-N1 |            |       |

Master Joe Bradford of Louisiana won 2 Southern Opens that I directed, so when after 3 rounds of the National he had a perfect score I commented to him that he should keep his record perfect. As the game progressed, I thought I saw a win for Joe involving a Q-P sacrifice, but since have been unable to find it. Is it there?

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| round 4 board 1 | Bradford | Denyer   |       |
| 1. P-K4         | F-B4     | 9. Q-N3  | B-Q2  |
| 2. N-KB3        | F-N3     | 10. F-B4 | F-R3  |
| 3. P-Q4         | F-N3     | 11. B-R4 | O-O   |
| 4. N-N          | F-N3     | 12. B-N3 | F-B3  |
| 5. F-QB3        | F-N3     | 13. B-N5 | F-F   |
| 6. B-N5         | F-N3     | 14. F-N  | N-KR2 |
| 7. Q-B3         | B-N2     | 15. B-B  | N-B   |
| 8. O-O          | F-B2     | 16. B-N3 | B-B3  |
|                 |          | 17. VR-B | QR-N1 |



- 18. RxHP RxR
- 19. NxP N-B4
- 20. NxQ NxQ
- 21. BxN+ KxB
- 22. RxR RxN
- 23. PxB R-K2
- 24. N-Q5 RxP
- 25. N-B4 R-K6
- 26. R-Q3 R-K2
- 27. K-Q2 R-KB2
- 28. K-K3 R-K2+
- 29. K-Q2 R-KB2
- 30. K-K3 draw

- 14. Q-K2 P-QB4
- 15. P-QR3 B-QR3
- 16. Q-B3+ K-K1
- 17. B-Q2 R-KR1
- 18. Q-R3 Q-B3
- 19. O-O-Q QR-N1



After one of the early rounds Ronald Henley, Mike Proschan and several others went somewhere to play basketball and I understand Mike dominated the boards. I wish they had waited for me; I like basketball more than chess.

In the final round Joe Jurjevich gets his chance and defeats a master, Luis Basquets of Florida.

- Basquets Jurjevich  
round 7 board 11
- 1. P-K4 P-QB4
  - 2. N-KB3 P-Q3
  - 3. P-Q4 PxF
  - 4. NxF P-QR3
  - 5. N-QB3 P-K3
  - 6. B-QB4 P-QN4
  - 7. B-N3 N-KB3
  - 8. O-O B-K2
  - 9. P-B4 O-O
  - 10. P-K5 PxF
  - 11. PxF N-K1
  - 12. B-K3 B-B4
  - 13. N-K4 BxN
  - 14. BxB Q-R5
  - 15. Q-Q3 B-N2
  - 16. QR-K1 BxN
  - 17. RxB Q-K2
  - 18. R-B3 P-N3
  - 19. R-R3 N-N2
  - 20. B4-B4 P-KR4
  - 21. P-N4 N-B3
  - 22. PxF Q-N4+
  - 23. K-R1 PxF
  - 24. B-K3 Q-N3
  - 25. Q-B3 N-K2
  - 26. R-N3 Q-R2
  - 27. B-B5 KR-R1
  - 28. BxN RxQ
  - 29. PxB Q-B4
  - 30. B-B6 Q-B6+
  - 31. R-N1 Q-B6+
  - 32. R-N2 K-R1
  - 33. K-N1 N-B4

- 20. KR-K1 K-Q2
- 21. B-R6 BxB+
- 22. QxB QxF
- 23. Q-R3 Q-B5+
- 24. K-N1 Q-B4
- 25. QxQ NPrQ
- 26. P-N3 P-R4
- 27. N-K2 KR-K1
- 28. N-B4 P-K4
- 29. NxBP PxB
- 30. RxP K-B3
- 31. R1xP RxB
- 32. PxB resign

A rated Robert Frederick of New York played in the Queen of Hearts, so he had some experience with Alabama players. But he wasn't ready for Joe Pharo of Birmingham.

- Frederick Pharo  
round 7 board 28
- 1. P-KN3 P-Q4
  - 2. B-N2 P-QB4
  - 3. N-KB3 N-QB3
  - 4. O-O P-K4
  - 5. P-Q3 B-N5
  - 6. P-QB4 P-Q5
  - 7. P-QN4 IxF
  - 8. P-QR4 PxFep
  - 9. Q-R4 Q-Q2
  - 10. BxF BxB
  - 11. NxB KN-K2
  - 12. KR-N1 P-KB3
  - 13. Q-Q1 O-O
  - 14. N-Q2 QR-N1
  - 15. N-K4 P-QN3
  - 16. N-QN5 P-KB4
  - 17. N-Q2 P-QR4
  - 18. N-QR3 N-N5
  - 19. N-KB3 KN-QB3
  - 20. N-B2 QR-K1
  - 21. NxB NxB
  - 22. P-B5 PxF
  - 23. RxF P-K5
  - 24. N-K1 Q-QB2
  - 25. R-QR1 PxF
  - 26. Q-N3+ K-R1
  - 27. NxF NxB
  - 28. PxB R-E4
  - 29. P-KR3 B-R4
  - 30. R-K1 RxR
  - 31. RxR R-K1
  - 32. Q-R4 Q-KB2
  - 33. R-KN1 Q-K3
  - 34. K-R2 P-KR3
  - 35. B-B6 Q-E7
  - 36. K-N2 QxF
  - 37. BxR B-B6+
  - 38. resign

This win gave Joe the distinction of being the highest Alabama finisher.

Last year's ACP president, Dr. Walter Schaetsle, takes on a former Georgia state champion, Philip Lamb.

- Schaetsle Lamb  
round 7 board 27
- 1. P-K4 P-QB4
  - 2. N-KB3 N-QB3
  - 3. P-Q4 PxF
  - 4. NxF P-KN3
  - 5. NxB NPrN
  - 6. Q-Q4 N-B3
  - 7. P-K5 N-Q4
  - 8. P-K6 N-B3
  - 9. PxBP+ KxF
  - 10. N-B3 B-N2
  - 11. B-B4+ P-Q4
  - 12. B-N3 N-K5??
  - 13. QxN P-K3

All in all I think the 1977 National Open was worth it. Do you think so? Shall we do it again?

PICTURES NEXT PAGE: 1 - Maria Jurjevich. 2 - Jim Morley. 3 - Bill Robertson. 4 - Frank Samford. 5 - Bubba Hendry.



## Dothan News

When I visited Dothan prior to the Wiregrass Open, I was taken to Westgate Community Center by Igor Ostapczuk. Here about 15 players were enjoying the regular Saturday afternoon meeting of the Dothan Chess Club. There were no speed games going, only serious games, many with clocks and score sheets. I was taken to the refreshment room, where machines make soft drinks and snacks available. Here Igor told me they have free access to the building. The club has no dues, has continuous tournament play, and will arrange instruction for those interested. New officers for the Dothan club are: Pres.-Miklos Benese, V.P. & Sec.-Tom Burkett, Treas.-Mark Fowler, Public Affairs Chmn.-Igor Ostapczuk, Youth Chmn.-Joe Reins.

Dothan's club is obviously very active, drawing from the many little towns and cities in the southeast corner of Alabama and from Ft. Rucker. I understand Mark Fowler arranged a team match with the strong Columbus, Ga. team. We haven't heard the outcome.

In December 1972 eight energetic and enthusiastic chess players met at the B.M. Sign Company in Dothan to form a club. This group soon grew to over fifty members and they tried several meeting places before settling at the present excellent site.

The first club president, Brooks Belmar, was responsible for much of the enthusiasm. Even though he suffered from an acute case of emphysema and could not play a whole tournament, he was present as long as possible doing everything.

Brooks died early last year. This may have contributed to the fact that there was no '77 Wiregrass Open. But the tournament was revived again and dedicated, fittingly, to Brooks Belmar's memory. Brooks' daughter was at the '78 Wiregrass to acknowledge the dedication and stayed to watch most of the tournament. Near the end of the tournament I overheard her ask someone to help her improve her game so that she might play in tournaments. I think Brooks is smiling.

## Wiregrass Open

Again this year the TD didn't have to do much but make pairings, because so many Dothan members handle registrations and other things. The Dothan mayor was present at opening ceremonies and presented the TD with a plaque of appreciation.

Unlike past years there were no masters present. Highest ranked was expert Charles Musgrove of Tallahassee. When he realized this he was disappointed. He told me he never wins when he's ranked at the top, and the resulting questions are embarrassing.

Clear winner was Ben Sides of Montgomery with 4½ points, including the upset of Musgrove. He took home the first place trophy & \$176. Other winners were: Charles Musgrove - 2nd trophy & \$88, Bruce Foster - 1st A & \$48, Scott Pfeiffer - 2nd A & \$48, Jere Roland - 1st B & \$40, Fred Dreher - 2nd B & \$26, Al McGrey - 1st below 1600 & \$16. There were 52 entrants and the prize fund, based on 75, had to be reduced.

Thanks a lot to Joe Reins who helped post results, work cards, and other things. Get your TD certification, Joe.

1. Ben Sides	1866	W14	W15	W2	W4	D3	4½	Montgomery
2. Charles Musgrove	2033	W12	W18	L1	W11	W7	4	Tallahassee, Fla.
3. Bruce Foster	1835	W21	D5	D7	W8	D1	3½	Pensacola, Fla.
4. Jere Roland	1771	W17	D6	W5	L1	W14	3½	Slocomb
5. Scott Pfeiffer	1878	W13	D3	L4	W18	W1	3½	Warrington, Fla.

6. Alan Todd	1845	W8	D4	L11	W19	D9	3	Birmingham
7. Denis Druash	1898	D11	W19	D3	W14	L2	3	Columbus, Ga.
8. Fred Dreher	1648	L6	W17	W16	L3	W15	3	Montgomery
9. Chris Bond	1817	D20	L11	W21	W13	D6	3	Montgomery
10. Al McCray	1571	L15	L14	W20	W16	W18	3	Slocomb
11. Ray Downs	1735	D7	W9	W6	L2	L5	2½	Montgomery
12. Mark Powers	1750	L2	W22	D19	L15	W20	2½	Pensacola, Fla.
13. Dana Therrell	1695	L5	W21	D18	L9	W19	2½	Birmingham
14. R. C. Quillian	1673	L1	W10	W15	L7	L4	2	Columbus, Ga.
15. Jack Gwin	1817	W10	L1	L14	W12	L8	2	Birmingham
16. Joe Pharo	1761	L19	W20	L8	L10	BYE	2	Birmingham
17. Arliss Diets	1559	L4	L8	BYE	L20	W21	2	Birmingham
18. John Jones	1838	W22	L2	D13	L5	L10	1½	Phenix City
19. Thomas O'Grady	1536	W16	L7	D12	L6	L13	1½	Shalimar, Fla.
20. Igor Ostapesuk	1572	D9	L16	L10	W17	L12	1½	Dothan
21. Tom Burkett	1601	L3	L13	L9	BYE	L17	1	Dothan
22. Gil Jennings	1602	L18	L12	withdrew			0	Montgomery

The winner, who says he used to lose to everybody in the Lanier High Chess Club, annotated this which he calls:

#### KINGSIDE ATTACK IN THE SICILIAN DRAGON - BY BLACK!

round 3 board 1

Musgrove Sides 5. N-QB3 P-EN3  
 1. P-K4 P-QB4 6. B-K3 B-N2  
 2. N-FB3 P-Q3 7. P-B3 N-B3  
 3. P-Q4 PxP 8. Q-Q2 O-O  
 4. NxF P N-KB3 9. P-TR4 ...

Not in the books. Preferable is 9.O-O-O, or 9.B-QB4. Speculative is 9.P-KN4!

9. .... P-Q4

The correct response.

10. NxN PxN 11. P-K5? ...

This move is good in the variation 1.P-K4, P-QB4; 2.N-FB3, P-Q3; 3.P-Q4, PxP; 4.NxF, N-KB3; 5.N-QB3, P-EN3; 6.B-K3, B-N2; 7.P-B3, O-O; 8.Q-Q2, P-Q4?; 9.P-K5!, N-K1; 10.P-B4, P-B3; 11.O-O-O! and White's position is favorable. Resinow-Meyer, corres. 1961. In the text game, however, it loses.

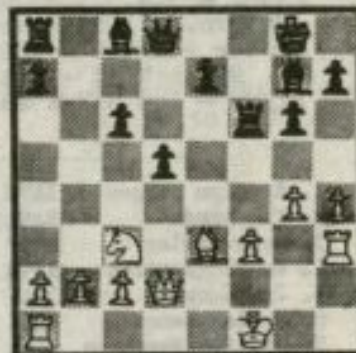
11. .... N-R4! 13. R-R3 NxB  
 12. P-EN4 N-N6 14. KxN P-B4!

The winning move, quicker than the greedy 14...., BxP. Strangely enough, in this a Reuser set-up versus a dragon, it is White who faces a kingside attack!

15. PxP ex ...

Not 15.P-N5??, P-B5 wins a piece.

15. .... R-F



16. B-Q4 ....

Pitching two pawns for nothing. 16.K-N2, suggested by Musgrove after the game, is better.

16. .... BxP 21. Q-N5 R-K1  
 17. R-N3 RxF+ 22. K-B2 B-B4  
 18. RxB BxR 23. K-N3 Q-Q3+  
 19. BxB KxB 24. Q-K5+ ...  
 20. R-N1 Q-Q2

In effect, resigning. There is no hope, but the exchange of Queens makes it easier.

24. .... QxQ 26. K-B4 R-QN1!  
 25. Rr2 K-B3 27. resign

for if 27.P-N3??, R-N5+

Also in round 3 Jere Roland, a local club member, upset Scott Pfeiffer to share the lead. Sides beat Roland in round 4 to make the victory easier.

round 3 board 3 6. Bg5 Be7  
 Pfeiffer Roland 7. e3 O-O  
 1. d4 Nf6 8. Qc2 c6  
 2. c4 e6 9. Bd3 h6  
 3. Nf3 d5 10. h4! Re8  
 4. Ne3 Nbd7 11. O-O-O Qa5  
 5. cd ed 12. Rdg1 Bb4

13. Bf4	Bxc3	25. Qc2	Qxc2	37. Nf4	b5	48. h5	f4+
14. bc	Me4	26. Exc2	Kh7	38. Nf1	a5	49. Kr2	Z-h5
15. Bxc4	de	27. e4	f5	39. Nh5	hxb	50. Bd6	Kg4
16. Nd2	Nf6	28. e5	Be6	40. Ng1	a4	51. ne3	Kf5
17. f3	Qa3+	29. Rf1	Rf8	41. Nf6+	Rxf6	52. Be7	Ke4
18. Qb2	Qe7	30. Bf4	Brg2	42. hxf6	Ng8	53. Ke2?	f3+
19. g4	ef	31. Nf3	e4	43. hxbg8	Krg8	54. Kd2	Bc4
20. g5	f2	32. Ng5+	Kh8	44. h6?	Kr7	55. h4	a3
21. Rg2	g4	33. Rlxf2	Kxf2	45. h3	Kg6	56. Kc2	a2
22. g4	g4	34. Rxf2	Rae8	46. Ed2	Kh5	57. Kb2	Ke3
23. Bxb6	f6	35. Nh3	Ad5	47. Ke3	Kg4	58. resign	
24. Bg5	Qf5	36. Bg5	Kh7				

The Amateur section was won by Marilyn Berger chess promoter of Ocean Springs, Miss. She finished a full point ahead of Tim Bond and Mark Fowler of the local club who tied for second. Marilyn pulled upsets in the last three rounds to take home the first place trophy and \$88. Tim took 2nd and \$44 while Mark got 1st C & \$44. Other winners were: Ron Nettles - 2nd C & \$4, Jim Jackson, Miklos Bencse, & William Herrmann - \$4 each, Paul Kidder - 1st D & \$32, Billy Pilgrim - 2nd D & \$8, Tom Murray - \$8, Brian Nott - 1st E & \$16, Ed Levine - 2nd E & \$8, David Weyer - 1st UNR & \$8, and Lynn Bryan - Top Upset.

1. Marilyn Berger	1472	W20	W25	W5	W8	W4	5	Ocean Springs, Miss.
2. Tim Bond	1491	W16	W18	D11	D10	W9	4	Enterprise
3. Mark Fowler	1577	W19	L9	W25	W18	W10	4	Dothan
4. Ronald Nettles	1590	W13	D7	W26	W11	L1	3 1/2	Merida
5. Jim Jackson	1547	W29	W12	L1	D9	W16	3 1/2	Ft. Gaines, Ga.
6. Miklos Bencse	1401	W15	L8	D16	W26	W13	3 1/2	Dothan
7. William Herrmann	1444	W30	D4	L10	W19	W21	3 1/2	Pinson
8. Jim Gates	1520	W22	W6	D9	L1	D11	3	Columbus, Ga.
9. Scott Kownslar	1424	W27	W3	D8	D5	L2	3	Pensacola, Fla.
10. Rodney Lewis	1461	W23	D26	W7	D2	L3	3	Ft. Rucker
11. David Weyer	UNR	W28	W17	D2	L4	D8	3	Tyndall AFB, Fla.
12. Greg Hopkins	1422/20	W14	L5	W20	L13	W19	3	Pensacola, Fla.
13. Paul Kidder	1273	L4	W30	W24	W12	L6	3	Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.
14. Warry Thomas	UNR	L12	L19	W23	W29	W18	3	Winfield
15. Ron Manasa	UNR	L6	W29	L18	W25	W26	3	Monticello, Fla.
16. Brian Nott	866/7	L2	BYE	D6	W30	L5	2 1/2	Pensacola, Fla.
17. Richard Fuchs	1553	L25	L11	BYE	D22	W27	2 1/2	Albany, Ga.
18. Billy Pilgrim	1366	W24	L2	W15	L3	L14	2	Montgomery
19. Tom Murray	1264	L3	W14	W21	L7	L12	2	Daleville
20. William Burch	UNR	L1	W31	L12	L21	W30	2	Hartford
21. Larry Edwards	1535	L26	W23	L19	W20	L7	2	Panama City, Fla.
22. Edwin Levine	937	L8	L24	W27	D17	D25	2	Leamont, Fla.
23. Roger Anyx	UNR	L10	L21	L14	BYE	W29	2	Dothan
24. Richard Rodgers	UNR	L18	W22	L13	L27	W31	2	Columbus, Ga.
25. Lynn Bryan	1226	W17	L1	L3	L15	D22	1 1/2	Montgomery
26. John Smith	1215/24	W21	D10	L4	L6	L15	1 1/2	Dothan
27. Fred Dong	UNR	L9	D28	L22	W24	L17	1 1/2	Ft. Rucker
28. Carl Mackay	1300	L11	D27	L29	W31	withdrew	1 1/2	Columbus, Ga.
29. Jeff Wright	1222/14	L5	L15	W28	L14	L23	1	Dothan
30. Len Saolinski	UNR	L7	L13	W31	L16	L20	1	Ozark
31. Bobby Rains	UNR	LP	L20	L30	L28	L24	0	Dothan

Greg Hopkins of Pensacola has played better in Alabama than in this Wiregrass. Jim Jackson lives in Ft. Gaines, Ga. but is active in the Dothan club. Here Jim demonstrated how to take advantage of mistakes.

round 2 board 3	4. N-B3	D-B3	9. F-B3	B-R4	15. N-N5?	Q-N7	
Hopkins Jackson	5. D-N3	B-B3	10. F-B5	B-N3	16. Q-Q3	N-R	
1. D-Q4	N-N3	6. D-N3	F-R4	11. B-Q3	F-R4	17. Q-Q-Q2	N-B7
2. F-Q4	D-N3	7. B-Q2	B-N3	12. N-B4	Q-N	18. Q-N3	N-R
3. N-B3	D-Q4	8. N-R4	B-N5	13. B-B	R-N-B	19. N-Q6+	Q-N
				14. Q-F2?	N-N6!	20. Q-N	Q-N



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## Blount Wins Mobile HS

by Larry Britt

Defending champion Blount High captured the 1976-77 Mobile County High School Chess League Championship with a decisive 4-1 Playoff victory over McGill-Toolen May 13 after both teams ended the 7-round regular season tied at 6-1.

Composing the Prichard-based school's squad are Earnest Spears, Larry Wright, William Gillespie, John Henry Johnson, and Willie Lee Tolbert, with alternates Robert Hatcher, Lester Thomas, and Donald Holmes

Sponsor Jim Willman's Leopards also won the B-team Championship, completing a dynasty-inspiring 7-0 record.

Upon learning that Carver High won the state title this year, Willman issued a challenge to Carver to meet his 1976 State Champions. (Story on State HS Championship next issue - ed.)

### 1976-77 MOBILE COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL CHESS LEAGUE

	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	playoff	score
1. Blount	W2	L7	W6	W4	BYE	W3	W5	W2	7-1
2. McGill-Toolen	L1	W4	W3	W7	W6	W5	BYE	L1	6-2
3. St. Paul's	W5	W6	L2	BYE	W7	L1	L4		4-3
4. U.M.S.	L6	L2	BYE	L1	W5	W7	W3		4-3
5. Shaw	L3	BYE	W7	W6	L4	L2	L1		3-4
6. Toulminville	W4	L3	L1	L5	L2	BYE	W7		3-4
7. Theodore	BYE	W1	L5	L2	L3	L4	L6		2-5

## Mobile CC Qualifiers

by Larry Britt

Five players qualified for the Mobile Chess Club's 1977 Club Championship which will be held in about three weeks.

Qualifiers were Tim Payne, David Lennie, Bill Trim, Michael Lawson, and Larry Britt. Payne went 4-1 in the Qualification tourney, the other four 3-1.

## New Mobilian

I received a letter from Mr. Jeffrey A. Rizzo who says:

"I've just moved from Chicago to the Mobile area. I am very interested in playing chess. My USCF rating is 1426 presently.

"Enclosed is \$3.50 for sample copies of "Alabama Chess Antics". I would also be interested in knowing if there are any clubs or associations in the Mobile area & any area tournaments prior to the July 9-10 tournament in Montgomery (especially if in Mobile)."

You Mobile folks contact Jeffrey A. Rizzo; Daphne, Ala.

## Dodgen Endorsement

To our USCF voting members; this is a personal endorsement (not ACP) of Bill Dodgen of South Carolina for the office of USCF Policy Board Member-at-Large. His successful management of National Chess Day and the enthusiasm he has shown in my contacts with him have convinced me that he is the man for the job.

## King's Tour

### The Chess Journalist - Spring, 1977 - Stephen Dann, editor

(from Martin Morrison) "A book has come to my attention which might be helpful to draw to the attention of the chess journalists: Editing the Small Magazine, by Rowena Ferguson."

I have borrowed this book from the library.

### Carolina Gambit - Mar-Apr '77 - Lee Taylor, editor

"The Quality Inn of Greensboro has agreed to sponsor the 1977 CAROLINAS OPEN on June 25-26. It will guarantee the \$750 prize fund, provide free tournament rooms and complementary coffee and offer special rates for rooms."

### Mid-South Chess Advocate - Apr '77 - John Hurt, editor-in-chief; Jim Little, news editor

"The name of John Hurt should by now become synonymous with City Chess Champion. This year John made it an even dozen by again winning the Memphis City Championship."

### Mississippi Chessletter - Apr-May '77 - J.P. Barrett, editor

"The Jackson vs. Baton Rouge chess club match (a hurried replacement for greater things!) was duly held in Baton Rouge and we are happy to report a 10-8 win for the Jacksonians!!"

### Tennessee Chess News - May '77 - Peter Lahde, editor

"As it had been enthusiastically endorsed at last year's Tennessee Open, the state title will now be contested in a separate State Championship, rather than at the Tenn. Open. To qualify for the state finals you will have to place either first or second in one of the three "regional" championships depending on which part of the state you live in."

### Georgia Chess Association Newsletter - May-Jun '77 - Bill Noyes, editor

"Mr. Rogers' (Thad) report was delivered by Mr. Sherman and in it Rogers said he had tried to advance the GCA through the only way he knew how: 'the marketing of tournaments and good will.' Mr. Rogers then addressed himself to the conflict of interest issue, saying that he had never used the GCA to further his own success but that because of the growing feeling that there was a conflict, he would not seek reelection as President. He closed by counseling the members on using their votes sensibly.

"In the Vice-President's report, Stan Sherman made observations on the accomplishments of the previous year, notably, increased turnouts for GCA tournaments and the financial status of the GCA."

# Thanx

Thanks to these contributors this issue: Jack Gwin, Dave Carr, Jerry Wheeler, Ray McGuire, Joe Tharo, Maria Jurjevich, Ben Sides, Tom Burkett, Ellis Jones, and Larry Britt.

## Next Issue

Next issue we'll have reports of the Vulcan Open, the Alabama High School Championship, the Alabama Team Championship, and two specials: Coverage of the Air Training Command Championship, held at Craig AFB, by Gary Huber, editor of the Ninth Rank; and a story by Ken Goodman of his computer chess program.



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