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Contact: IM John Watson
- Lincoln Kids' Chess Club, Thursdays, 4 pm - 6 pm  
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## Editor's Notes

**I**t's been a great year for Nebraska chess - we had a team place 6th at Super Nationals (Millard North Middle School), an individual champion at Super Nationals (Jason Selvaraj, K-9 U1250), youngest ever Lincoln City champion (Joseph Wan, 11), and 2 International Masters played in our River City Rodeo Team tournament (Nebraska's own Keaton Kiewra and Kansas City's Michael Brooks).



Editor Kent Smotherman

As great a year as 2013 was, 2014 can be even better! I was a very active player way back in the '80s, and rated tournaments had a much higher attendance then. Part of the reason was the leftover effect from the Fischer boom of the '70s. But how can we achieve better support and participation at rated events in the 21st century?

Youth outreach certainly goes a long way toward increasing rated tournament attendance. I've been teaching chess to kids in Lincoln and Omaha for a decade, and the interest and excitement is absolutely there. The Omaha Chess Community and other local clubs and organizations have been promoting an increase in unrated events for the past several years, and they have seen great success. As just one example, the 2013 Central High Scholastic Unrated event drew over 300 players - amazing! We all well know the benefits of chess for children, the challenge is encouraging those kids to make the leap into rated play where those benefits are magnified through the increased level of competition and concentration.

Let us know *your* ideas! Our contact info is at the top of page 2.

# Nebraska's First Grandmaster?!

## an interview with Keaton Kiewra

by Kent Smotherman

Nebraska had produced only one International Master (IM) in chess - John Watson, who was raised in Omaha and lives now in Lincoln. Only one IM, that is, until Keaton Kiewra came along.

Keaton won his first Nebraska State title in 2002 when he was just 14. He held that title for 9 consecutive years, a record second only to the incomparable H.E. Oman, who held the title from 1917 to 1940. Keaton would almost certainly still hold it if he had chosen to! But Keaton has moved onto the global chess stage now, completing the requirements for his International Master title and working hard toward attaining the Grandmaster title.

"I started playing chess when I was 7 ... and I was always pretty serious [about chess]. I had my first coach when I was 7 or 8 - it was Kevin Fleming, who was the strongest player in Nebraska at that time. He moved not too long after we started lessons, and I began working with Tom O'Connor, who coached me all the way through high school, and is a very close friend of mine to this day," Keaton says.

Tom O'Connor is a stalwart of Nebraska chess, and a tremendous player of high class-A strength. He has worked with a number of young up-and-coming

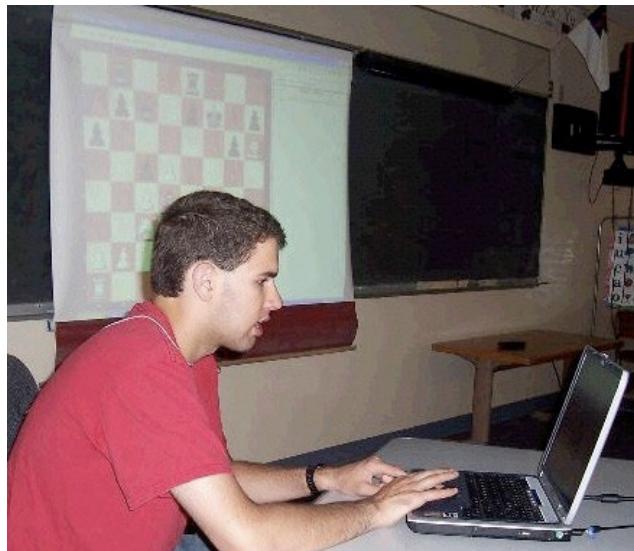


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Nebraska players, including 11-year-old Joseph Wan, a very strong class-A player. Keaton now coaches the talented Wan.

"I'm sure Nebraska has some aspiring IMs and GMs. I think certainly for my student Joseph Wan, the sky is the limit. He is a much stronger player than I was at his age," Keaton says.

Keaton soon outgrew his local coaches, and had to seek stronger instruction and players outside Nebraska.

"I had to play outside Nebraska a lot to find stronger tournaments. In this day and age, though, anyone really can get good anywhere by playing and practicing enough online," Keaton says.

For Keaton, he has had a number of strong GMs for remote training. "I began

working with GM Miron Sher when I was in middle school. Miron is one of the most well respected and sought after coaches in the world, and he had a profound impact on my development. I also worked with GM Yury Shulman off and on, and he certainly helped me a lot as well. GM Aleksey Dreev was never a regular coach for me, but I did do 10 lessons with him, and it was really cool working with a GM who was so elite (former top 20 in the world!). My current coach is GM Yaroslav Zhrebukh. I enjoy working with him a great deal, and I am confident that he has me going in the right direction toward my goal of making GM," Keaton says.

Keaton is very close to attaining that coveted GM title, having already achieved two of the three tournament performance "norms" required. His current FIDE rating is 2413, and his USCF rating is 2478. Once he obtains his last GM norm, Keaton will still need to raise his rating over FIDE 2500 to complete the GM requirements. It's a title that's difficult to achieve, and perseverance is required to push through these last hurdles.

"Having poor results and losing rating is always hard. Sometimes when I am on a plateau, I wonder if I will ever improve to the next level. Sometimes chess is unforgiving, and improvement is slow, but it has always come. In chess, as in life, tough times teach resilience. I have had tournaments where I lost three consecutive games ('castled queenside' as it's called) and dropped out. There have been other times where I've lost trivially winning positions, which is always very hard to swallow. I have always found a way to bounce back though, and move on to the next game. Like quarterbacks, chess players sometimes need a short memory," Keaton says.

A short memory indeed. Chess can be a brutal game, especially for kids. Children often find it difficult to understand the benefits in losing, but playing stronger opponents is vitally important to improvement. Even for adults, critical losses can be agonizing. But chess is so much more than wins and losses.

"Chess is a great game with many benefits. It is somewhat of a microcosm for life, teaching you to think before you act, and not being able to take back moves. I have been fortunate to have the opportunity to travel many places and make many friends because of chess (and even a couple of girlfriends)," Keaton says.

In order to get that final GM norm, and to push his rating over 2500, Keaton knows the hard work it will take, and has already taken. The key, he says, is simple: just work hard.

"I guess one can argue that chess is a draw, and someone needs to make a mistake in order to lose. I think it was Tarrasch who said that the blunders are all out there on the board just waiting to be made. On the flip side though, I think games can definitely be won through determination and will power. I have won countless drawn positions by outfighting and outworking my opponents."

That's sage advice from a player with the talent to know exactly.



# TOURNAMENT RESULTS

## River City Rodeo Team Tournament

September 28-29, 2013 This event was a huge success this year, drawing two International Masters to the open section, with a total of 80 players across four sections. Nebraska's own International Master Keaton Kiewra won the event with a perfect 5/5 score, followed closely by a group of five players, including visiting M Michael Brooks, from Kansas City. Also in that group was Nebraskan John Linscott, whose performance netted a nearly 80-point rating gain.



The winning team (L to R): Joseph Wan, Tom O'Connor, Kent Nelson, and Keaton Kiewra

### Blitz Reserve Section

1	Sayothin Vongpanya 1099-1131	5	W3	W4	B	W2	W5
2	Mason Zastrow 937-899	3	W5	L3	W4	L1	B
3	Arrick Rinke 671-727	3	L1	W2	W5	B	L4
4	Kollin R Lehman 639-712	3	B	L1	L2	W5	W3
5	Pete Lande 606-552	1	L2	B	L3	L4	L1

### Open Section

1	Keaton Kiewra 2459-2471	5.0	W13	W33	W20	W2	W9
2	Michael A Brooks 2427-2425	4.0	W14	W20	W33	L1	W34
3	Robert F Keating 2140-2154	4.0	U	W4	W22	W30	W33
4	Kenneth E Fee Jr 1917-1940	4.0	W31	L3	W10	W22	W30
5	John Linscott 1821-1876	4.0	D12	W31	W17	D10	W22
6	Joseph Fitzpatrick 1712-1800	4.0	W36	L22	W29	W23	W21
7	Joseph Cheng-Yue Wan 1945-1954	3.5	D28	D10	W21	D16	W23
8	Jonathan James Reigenborn 1214-1388	3.5	L26	W11	W35	W24	D15
9	Ben Fabrikant 1990-2013	3.0	L20	W14	W13	W33	L1
10	Tony Dutiel 1800-1833	3.0	W30	D7	L4	D5	W12
11	Thomas Anson Hafner 1367-1391	3.0	W18	L8	W36	L17	B
12	David Jiles 1978-1963	2.5	D5	W29	U	W32	L10
13	James Alex Neal II 1970-1963	2.5	L1	W34	L9	W31	H
14	Steven Joseph Cusumano 1836P10-1849P14	2.5	L2	L9	W34	D28	B
15	Kent Nelson 1850-1829	2.5	U	D24	W26	D18	D8
16	Conrado Salazar 1739-1779	2.5	U	W26	U	D7	W32
17	Gokul Thangavel 1731-1716	2.5	L22	W36	L5	W11	H
18	Spencer Lewis Conklin 1702-1683	2.5	L11	U	W24	D15	W38
19	Morgan Lu 1231-1233	2.5	W37	W32	L23	L25	H
20	Tim R McEntee 2200-2200	2.0	W9	L2	L1	W34	U
21	George S Eichhorn 1915-1900	2.0	W23	U	L7	W38	L6
22	Thomas J O'Connor 1910-1894	2.0	W17	W6	L3	L4	L5
23	John W Stepp 1782-1753	2.0	L21	W25	W19	L6	L7
24	Don J Dostal 1364-1381	2.0	W32	D15	L18	L8	D26
25	Abhinav Suresh 1396-1363	2.0	L29	L23	L32	W19	B
26	Tim Crouse 1806-1800	1.5	W8	L16	L15	U	D24
27	Matt Anzis 2107-2108	1.0	U	W30	U	U	U
28	James Hodina 1974-1968	1.0	D7	U	U	D14	U
29	Frank Whitsell 1807-1784	1.0	W25	L12	L6	U	U
30	Temur Samiev 1476-1486	1.0	L10	L27	W31	L3	L4
31	Caravaggio Dante Caniglia 1502-1472	1.0	L4	L5	L30	L13	B
32	Andrew Steven McIntosh 1078-1096	1.0	L24	L19	W25	L12	L16
33	Jerry Slominski 1910-1886	0.5	D34	L1	L2	L9	L3
34	John R Hartmann 1730-1717	0.5	D33	L13	L14	L20	L2
35	Christine Denison 1099-1089	0.5	U	U	L8	U	H
36	Alexander Michael Vetter 1136P17-1122P20	0.0	L6	L17	L11	U	U
37	Huishan Wan Unrated-842P1	0.0	L19	U	U	U	U
38	Brendan Franz Forsling 810-809	0.0	U	U	U	L21	L18

### Blitz Open Section

1	Steven Joseph Cusumano 1798P11-1779P17	5	W2	W4	W3	W2	L4	W3
2	Caravaggio Dante Caniglia 1504-1500	3	L1	W3	L4	L1	W3	W4
3	Abhinav Suresh 1383-1385	2	W4	L2	L1	W4	L2	L1
4	Thomas Anson Hafner 1333-1351	2	L3	L1	W2	L3	W1	L2

## K-12 Section

1	Owen Fiedorowicz 1019-1179	4	W27	W22	W18	W20
2	Regan E Hodina 1108-1141	4	W33	W15	W14	W25
3	Steven Tian 762-860	4	W35	W10	W38	W42
4	Pete Lande 465-591	4	W42	W38	W33	W36
5	Bryce Allen Rogers 1524-1521	3.5	D17	W21	W29	W39
6	Jason Selvaraj 1430-1440	3.5	W29	W39	W19	D17
7	Matthew Wesley Rowe Unrated-961P4	3.5	W32	W36	W31	D15
8	Anish Lodh 1354-1357	3	W40	W17	W34	L9
9	Ana L Denison 1262-1313	3	W39	W29	L17	W8
10	Sanmati Thangavel 1087-1057	3	W16	L3	W23	W13
11	James J Lin 869-1001	3	W20	L18	W27	W37
12	Mason Zastrow 949-944	3	D37	D27	W30	W24
13	Anjali Lodh 353-511	3	B	W23	W26	L10
14	Arjun Palaniappan 929-910	2.5	D28	W25	L2	W31
15	Fergal Hennessy 845-884	2.5	W31	L2	W28	D7
16	Jacey Tran 490P18-552P22	2.5	L10	W35	W32	D38
17	Andrew John Kozich 1239-1302	2	D5	L8	W9	D6
18	Teresa Phivan Eleano Knecht 1190-1142	2	L30	W11	L1	W22
19	John Patrick Mcelderry 1146-1128	2	W21	W34	L6	L29
20	Shashank Potineni 1134-1093	2	L11	W30	W37	L1
21	Sayothin Vongpanya 1043-1056	2	L19	L5	W39	W34
22	Anushka Saxena 754-758	2	X	L1	W24	L18
23	Arrick Rinke 691-654	2	W38	L13	L10	W35
24	Sneha Selvaraj 462-524	2	B	W37	L22	L12
25	Isabel Fiedorowicz 372-381	2	B	L14	W36	L2
26	Deeksha Sridher Unrated-279P3	2	B	W42	L13	L32
27	Siddharth Jasti 909-904	1.5	L1	D12	L11	W30
28	Ankith Sheshappa Unrated-633P4	1.5	D14	W32	L15	L33
29	Rishabh Swamy 1039-1055	1	L6	L9	L5	W19
30	Nevin Claude Sekar 735P14-751P18	1	W18	L20	L12	L27
31	Khoa Nguyen Unrated-624P4	1	L15	W33	L7	L14
32	Kollin R Lehman 672-601	1	L7	L28	L16	W26
33	Kevin Shen 617-589	1	L2	L31	L4	W28
34	Vishal Potineni 538-532	1	B	L19	L8	L21
35	Siddarth Gillessen Unrated-312P4	1	L3	L16	W42	L23
36	Naren Narasimhan Unrated-101P3	1	B	L7	L25	L4
37	Shane Fleming 962P2-728P6	0.5	D12	L24	L20	L11
38	Sameeth Sheshappa Unrated-351P4	0.5	L23	L4	L3	D16
39	Benjamin Lyons 1214-1147	0	L9	L6	L21	L5
40	Alisher Samiev 1131-1118	0	L8	U	U	U
41	Jimmy Severa 1052-1052	0	F	U	U	U
42	Lily Constance Haas Unrated-101P4	0	L4	L26	L35	L3

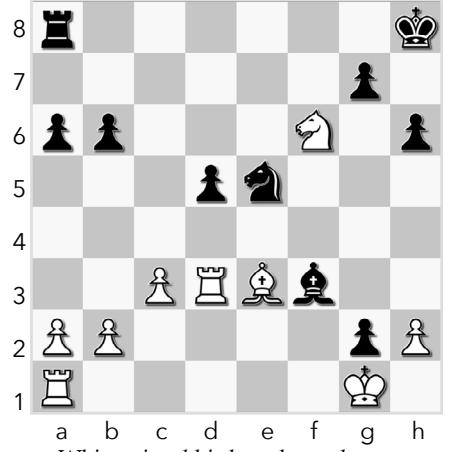
Check out all the games from the [RCR Team!](#)

## Wan/1945 - Dutiel/1800

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6  
5.d3 d5 6.exd5 Nxd5 7.O-O O-O 8.Re1  
Re8 9.d4 Nb6



Black just played 9...Nb6?



White missed his last chance here...

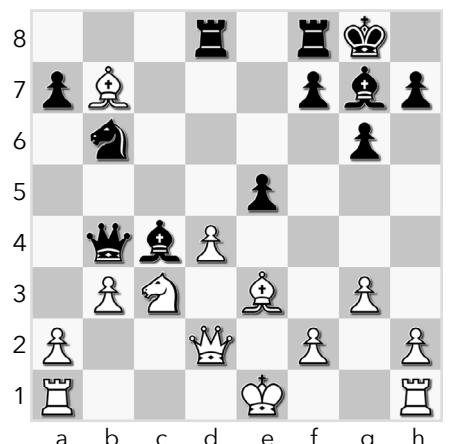
30.Rd4 gxf6 31.Rf4 Be4 32.Bd4 Nf3+  
33.Kf2 g1=Q+ 34.Rxg1 Nxg1 35.Kxg1  
Rg8+ 1/2-1/2

## Dutiel/1800 - Fee/1917

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.c4 c6 4.d4 cxd5  
5.Nc3 g6 6.Qb3 Bg7 7.Nxd5 Nxd5 8.cxd5  
O-O 9.Be3 Nd7 10.g3 Nb6 11.Bg2 Bf5  
12.Ne2 Rc8 13.Nc3 Bd3 14.d6 Qxd6  
a6 23.Qb3 Bg4 24.f3 exf3 25.Rxd3 fxg2  
26.Ng3



White just played 25.Ng3?



What happens if bxc4?

Ne5 27.Qd5 Bf3 28.Ne4 c6 29.Nxf6 cxd5

19.bxc4 exd4 20.Ne2



White played Nc3e2?

Losing move. Nd5 is almost equal (Dutiel)

20...Qe7 21.Bg5 Qxb7 22.O-O Nxc4  
23.Qc1 Rc8 24.Rb1 Qe4 25.Qd1 h6 26.f3  
Qe5 27.Bc1 Ne3 28.Bxe3 Qxe3+ 29.Kg2  
d3 30.Nf4 Rc2+ 31.Kh1 Rd8 32.Rb3 Rd2  
33.Ng2 Rxd1 34.Nxe3 Rxf1+ 35.Nxf1 d2  
0-1

### Brooks/2427-Slominski/1910

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Qxd5 3.Nc3 Qd6 4.d4  
Nf6 5.Be2 g6 6Nb5 Qb6 7.Nf3 c6 8.  
Na3 Bg7 9.O-O O-O 10.Nc4 Qd8 11.  
c3 Be6 12.Re1 Bxc4 13.Bxc4 e6 14.Bf4  
Re8 15.Qd2 Nbd7 16.Rad1 Nb6 17.Bb3  
Nbd5 18.Bg5 Qc7 19.h3 a5 20.a3 a4 21.  
Ba2 b5 22.Ne5 Nd7 23.Nd3 Qd6 24.  
Bh4 Qf8 25.Bg3 Bh6 26.Qc2 Rac8 27.  
Qe2 Qe7 28.c4 bxc4 29.Bxc4 Qf6 30.Ba6  
Rcd8 31.Bb7 Qxd4 32.Bxc6 Qa7 33.Ne5  
N5b6

### IM Michael Brooks

- Life Master, 300+ rated games
- 1982 1st place Midwest Masters
- 1989 2nd place Midwest Masters
- 1994 1st place North American Open in Las Vegas.



Black just played N5b6

34.Bxd7 Nxd7 35.Nc6 Qb6 36.Nxd8  
Rxd8 37.Rd6 Qa5 38.Red1 1-0

### Kiewra/2459-Fabrikant/1990

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 Nc6 4.Ngf3 Nf6  
5.e5 Nd7 6.Bd3 f6 7.Ng5 Ndx5 8.dxe5  
fxg5 9.Qh5+ Kd7 10.Nf3 Be7 11.Bxg5  
Bxg5 12.Nxg5 Nxe5 13.f4 Nxd3+ 14.cxd3  
Qf6 15.Nf7 g6 16.Ne5+ Ke7 17.Qh6 Bd7  
18.O-O c5 19.Rae1 Bc6

{ +1.57/25 } ( 19...Kd8 { +0.32/24 } 20.Qh3  
b6 21.d4 cxd4 22.Qa3 Qe7 23.Qa6 Bc8  
24.Qd3 Bd7 25.Rc1 Rf8 26.Qa6 Bc8  
27.Nc6+ Ke8 28.Qd3 Qd6 29.Ne5 Bd7  
30.Qxd4 Rf5 31.Rc2 g5 32.g4 Rf8 33.Nxd7  
Qxd7 )

20.Rf2 Kd6 21.Qh3 Rae8 22.d4 cxd4

{ +22.14/13 } ( 22...Kc7 { +1.41/24 } 23.Rc1  
Qf5 24.Qa3 Kb8 25.g4 Qe4 26.Nxc6+ bxc6  
27.Qxc5 Rc8 28.Qb4+ Ka8 29.Qd2 c5  
30.dxc5 Rc6 31.Re1 Qc4 32.b4 Rb8 33.a3  
a5 34.Qa2 h5 35.Qxc4 dxc4 36.Ra2 Rf8  
37.Rg2 )

23.Qa3+ Kc7 24.Qxa7

{ +4.12/30 } ( 24.Rc1 { +18.38/25 } 24...Ra8

25.Qa5+ Kd6 26.Qc5+ Kc7 27.Nxc6 Kd7  
28.Ne5+ Ke8 29.Qb5 Kf8 30.Nd7+ Kf7  
31.Nxf6 Kxf6 32.Qxb7 Rhb8 33.Qxh7 Rh8  
34.Qd7 Rhd8 35.Qa4 Rdc8 36.Qxd4+ Kf7  
37.Rxc8 Rxc8 38.Qxa7+ Kf8 39.Re2 Rc1+  
40.Kf2 Rc4 41.Rxe6 Rxf4+ 42.Ke3 Rf7  
43.Qc5+ Kg7 44.Qd4+ Kh6 45.Qxd5 )

24...Ra8 25.Qxd4 Ra4 26.b4 Qe7

{ +10.94/24 } ( 26...Re8 { +4.28/25 }  
27.Nxc6 Qxd4 28.Nxd4 Rxb4 29.Rxe6  
Rf8 30.Ne2 Kd7 31.Re5 Kd6 32.Nc3 Rbxf4  
33.Rxd5+ Kc6 34.Rxf4 Rxf4 35.Rd2 h6  
36.Rd8 Kc5 37.Rc8+ Kd6 38.g3 Rb4 39.Rg8  
g5 40.Rg6+ Ke5 41.Rxh6 )

27.Nxc6 1-0

### Kiewra/2459 - McEntee/2200

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bg5 Ne4 3.Bf4 d5 4.Nd2 Bf5  
5.e3 e6 6.Ne2 Be7 7.Nxe4 Bxe4 8.Ng3  
Bg6 9.c3 O-O 10.h4 Bxh4 11.Bxc7 Qxc7  
12.Rxh4 Nc6 13.Bd3 f5 14.f4 Na5 15.Kf2  
Nc4 16.Qe2 Nd6 17.Rah1 Nf7 18.Nf1  
Nh6 19.Nh2 a6 20.c4 Qe7 21.Rxh6 gxh6  
22.cxd5 exd5 23.Nf3 Kg7 24.Ne5 Rac8  
25.Bc2 Rc7 26.Bb3 Rfc8 27.Qd2 Qd8  
28.Kg3 Qd6 29.Qd1 b6 30.a3 a5 31.Qf1  
Rc2

{ +1.21/30 } ( 31...Qe6 { -0.48/26 } 32.Qb5  
Bf7 33.Kf3 h5 34.Rh3 Kf8 35.Rh1 Kg8  
36.Kf2 Kg7 37.Rh3 Rd8 38.Qe2 Be8 39.Rh1  
Kg8 40.Qd3 a4 41.Bc2 Rdc8 42.Bb1 Bg6  
43.Qd1 Ra7 44.Bd3 )

32.Bxc2 Rxc2 33.Qb5 h5 34.b4 axb4  
35.Qxb4

{ +0.40/29 } ( 35.axb4 { +1.45/24 } 35...Rc3  
36.Kf3 Rc7 37.Qa4 Qd8 38.g3 Qc8 39.Qa2  
Qd8 40.Qa6 Qd6 41.Qa2 Qd8 )

35...Qc7

{ +1.57/28 } ( 35...Qxb4 { +0.40/29 } )

36.axb4 Re2 37.Kf3 Rb2 38.Rc1 h4 39.Rc7+  
Kh6 40.g4 hxg3 41.Kxg3 Rb3 42.Kf2  
Rb2+ 43.Ke1 Rxb4 44.Rd7 Rb5 45.Kd2  
Be8 46.Rd8 Bh5 47.Kc2 Ra5 48.Rd6+ Kg7  
49.Rxb6 Ra2+ 50.Kc3 Ra3+ 51.Kd2 Ra2+  
52.Kd3 Be2+ 53.Kc3 h5 54.Rg6+ Kh7  
55.Rg5 Ra3+ 56.Kd2 )

36.Rb1 Re2 37.Qb3 h4+ 38.Kh2 Qd8

{ +6.38/29 } ( 38...Qc2 { +2.30/25 } 39.Qxc2  
Rxc2 40.Rxb6 Ra2 41.Rb7+ Kf6 42.a4 Be8  
43.Rxh7 Bxa4 44.Rh6+ Ke7 45.Ra6 Bb3  
46.Rxa2 Bxa2 47.Kh3 Bb1 48.Kxh4 Kg6  
49.Nd7+ Ke6 50.Nc5+ Kf6 51.Kg3 Ke7  
52.Kf2 Bc2 53.Ke2 Be4 54.g3 Kd6 )

39.Qxb6

{ +1.37/18 } ( 39.Qd3 { +6.38/29 } 39...  
Bh5 40.Rc1 h3 41.Qxf5 Bg6 42.Qxh3 Rc2  
43.Rxc2 )

39...Qxb6 40.Rxb6 Rxe3 41.a4 Ra3  
42.Rb7+ Kh6 43.Ra7 Bh5 44.Ra6+ Kg7  
45.Ra7+

{ 0.00/59 } ( 45.Ra5 { +1.49/27 } 45...Be8  
46.Rxd5 Rxa4 47.Kh3 Kf6 48.Kxh4 Ke6  
49.Rd8 Ke7 50.Rb8 Rxd4 51.Kg5 Rd2 52.g3  
Rg2 )

45...Kh6 46.Ra6+

{ 0.00/76 } ( 46.Rd7 { +1.37/25 } 46...  
Bg4 47.Rd6+ Kh5 48.Nd7 Be2 49.Nf6+  
Kg6 50.Nxd5+ Kg7 51.Rd7+ Kg6 52.Ra7  
Bf1 53.Kg1 Bc4 54.Nb6 Ra1+ 55.Kh2 Bf1  
56.Nd7 Ra2 57.Kh3 Bxg2+ 58.Kxh4 Be4 )

46...Kg7 47.Ra5 Bg4 48.Rxd5 Rxa4  
49.Nxg4 fxg4 50.Rg5+ Kh6 51.Rxg4  
Rxd4 52.Rxh4+ 1-0

### Brooks/2427 - Kiewra/2459

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nc6  
5.Nc3 Qc7 6.Be2 Nf6 7.Be3 a6 8.O-O d6

9.a4 Be7 10.f4 O-O 11.Kh1 Rb8 12.Qe1 Nxd4

{ +0.60/12 } ( 12...d5 { +0.04/24 } 13.e5 Nxd4 14.Bxd4 Ne4 15.Bd3 Nxc3 16.Qxc3 Qxc3 17.bxc3 Bd7 18.Rfb1 Bc6 19.a5 g6 20.Kg1 Rbc8 21.g3 Kg7 22.Kg2 Rfd8 23.h3 Rh8 24.Be2 h5 25.Bd3 )

13.Bxd4 e5 14.fxe5 dxe5 15.Qg3 Bd6



16.Be3

{ +0.68/21 } ( 16.Ba7 { +0.96/24 } 16...Ra8 17.Rxf6 Rxax7 18.Nd5 Qd8 19.Rd1 Be6 20.Rf3 Bxd5 21.Rxd5 Qb8 22.Rfd3 Be7 23.Rd1 b6 24.c3 Bf6 25.Rf1 Kh8 26.Kg1 Qe8 27.Qe3 Qb8 28.a5 )

16...Kh8

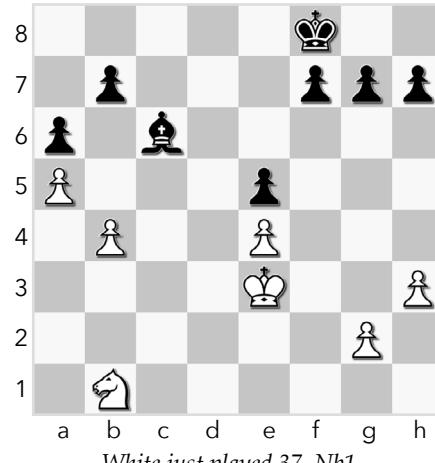
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17.a5

{ 0.00/27 } ( 17.Rxf6 { +4.68/24 } 17... Be6 18.Rf2 Rbd8 19.Bg4 Bb4 20.Bxe6 fxe6

21.Raf1 Rxf2 22.Qxf2 Qc4 23.Kg1 Qc6 24.Na2 Be7 25.Qf7 Bc5 26.Bxc5 Qxc5+ 27.Qf2 Qd6 28.Qa7 h5 29.Kh1 Qd2 30.Nc3 )

17...Be6 18.Bb6 Qe7 19.Qh4 Rbc8 20.Bd3 Nd7 21.Qxe7 Bxe7 22.Be3 Bc5 23.Bxc5 Nxc5 24.h3 Nxd3 25.cxd3 Rfd8 26.Rf3 Rd4 27.Kg1 Rb4 28.Rf2 Rd8 29.Rd2 Rbd4 30.Kf2 Rxd3 31.Rxd3 Rxd3 32.Rd1 Rxd1 33.Nxd1 Kg8 34.b4 Kf8 35.Nc3 Bd7 36.Ke3 Bc6 37.Nb1



37...Ke7

{ -1.97/36 } ( 37...f5 { -4.00/29 } 38.Nc3 Ke7 39.g4 Bxe4 40.gxf5 Bxf5 41.h4 Bd7 42.Kf2 Bc6 43.Nd1 )

38.Nd2 f5 39.g3 Bxe4 40.Nxe4 fxe4 41.Kxe4 Ke6 0-1

## TOURNAMENT RESULTS

### Great Plains Open

2013's Great Plains Open was held on October 12, in Lincoln, and drew 22 players. Some great performance ratings were achieved by several players, including co-winners Tony Dutiel (2227), Joseph Wan (2149) and Ben Fabrikant (2106). The last round was very tense as the three co-winners were all tied at 3/4, along with the solid class-A player Jerry Slominski. Fabrikant defeated Slominski, while Dutiel beat class-A player Fitzpatrick, and Wan took down class-A player John Linscott. An exciting finish to a very strong event.



Co-winners Tony Dutiel (above right), Joseph Wan (below left), and Ben Fabrikant

## Open Section

1	Ben Fabrikant 2013-2026	4	W10	W9	D2	D3	W5
2	Joseph Cheng-Yue Wan 1954-1968	4	W12	W8	D1	H	W6
3	Tony Dutiel 1833-1900	4	H	W14	W4	D1	W10
4	Joseph Knapp 1971-1952	3.5	W16	D7	L3	W8	W12
5	Jerry Slominski 1886-1872	3	D14	W15	W7	H	L1
6	John Linscott 1876-1851	3	L8	W12	W15	W10	L2
7	John R Hartmann 1717-1731	3	W11	D4	L5	D9	W14
8	Alexander Drake Mcfayden 1134-1349	3	W6	L2	W14	L4	W13
9	Kent Nelson 1829-1819	2.5	W13	L1	H	D7	H
10	Joseph Fitzpatrick 1800-1776	2	L1	W13	W11	L6	L3
11	Jeffrey Craig Kerbow Unrated-1415P5	2	L7	W16	L10	L13	W15
12	Abhinav Suresh 1363-1405	2	L2	L6	W16	W15	L4
13	Jonathan James Reigenborn 1388-1381	2	L9	L10	B	W11	L8
14	Joe Woehl 1385-1373	1.5	D5	L3	L8	X	L7
15	Gary Casciole 947-940	1	B	L5	L6	L12	L11
16	Alek G Erickson 1647-1584	0	L4	L11	L12	F	U

## Rated Beginners Open Section

1	Huishan Wan 842P1-985P6	5	W2	W4	W6	W5	W3
2	Jacey Tran 552P22-670	4	L1	W6	W3	W4	W5
3	Danny Le 387P10-495P15	3	W4	W5	L2	W6	L1
4	Nevin Claude Sekar 751P18-667P23	2	L3	L1	W5	L2	W6
5	Dain Wilson Unrated-278P5	1	W6	L3	L4	L1	L2
6	Kolbe Volkmer Unrated-101P5	0	L5	L2	L1	L3	L4

## Blitz Open Section

1	Stanley B Capps 2071P15-2059P25	8.5	L4	W4	W5	W5	W2	W2	D3	W3	W6	W6
2	Alek G Erickson 1720P17-1762	6.5	L3	W3	D4	W4	L1	L1	W6	W6	W5	W5
3	John Linscott 1876P10-1841P20	6	W2	L2	W6	W6	W5	L5	D1	L1	D4	W4
4	John R Hartmann 1835-1823	6	W1	L1	D2	L2	W6	W6	W5	W5	D3	L3
5	Jonathan James Reigenborn 1338P22-1364	3	W6	W6	L1	L1	L3	W3	L4	L4	L2	L2
6	Gary Casciole 947P10-938P20	0	L5	L5	L3	L3	L4	L4	L2	L2	L1	L1

Check out all the games from the [Great Plains Open!](#)

## Dutiel/1833 - Knapp/1971

This round 3 game was crucial to Dutiel's final standing as co-champion. His opponent was former 2009 and 2012 Omaha city champion, Joe Knapp, a very tough player. Comments are by Dutiel.

11.a3

Forcing the knight to retreat to c6 due to Qa4 if he tries to defend the c7 square from a6.

11...Nc6 12.Bc4

Fritz suggests Nb5 here instead with the immediate threat of Bg5. I prefer my move as it doesn't move the same piece again, and also targets the key c7 defender.

12...a6

I cannot keep the pawn. So, I just develop normally and transpose into the main line.

5...e6

This move allows me to start a pawn roller which results in getting a protected pawn on d6 and a very cramped position for black. 5...cxd4 6. cd, e6 and now it's equal.

6.c4 Nc7

( 6...Qa5+ 7.Bd2 Ndb4 8.dxc5 Bxc5 9.a3 Qb6 ( 9...Bd4 10.Nxd4 Qxe5+ 11.Be3 Nxd4 12.axb4 Nf5 13.Qd2 ) 10.axb4 Bxf2+ 11.Ke2 Nxb4 12.Nc3 Bc5 13.Ne4 Be7 14.Bc3 O-O )

7.d5 exd5 8.cxd5 Nb4 9.d6 Ne6 10.Nc3 b6

During the game, I was very happy to see this move. His plan is simply too slow. I felt he had to play ..f6 right away to try to undermine my pawn chain. Here is an example variation:

(10...f6 11.Bc4 Nc6 12.Nb5 a6 13.Bxe6 Qa5+ 14.Nc3 dx6 15.exf6 gxf6 16.Nd2 h5 17.Nde4 Bg7 ( 17...Kf7 ) 18.d7+ Bxd7 19.Nd6+ Ke7 20.Nxb7 Qb4 21.Qd6+ Ke8 22.Nxc5 Ne5 23.Ne4 )

Did you know you can click on a game header and view the game on the NSCA website?  
Now you do!



14...Qa5+??

The final straw He, at best, gets a rook and bishop for his queen. Better is to capture the bishop and then the knight on c7, getting 3 pieces for the queen.  
( 14...Nxe5 15.Nc7+ Qxc7 16.Bxf7+ Nxf7 17.dxc7 )

15.b4 Qa4

With this move, he only gets a bishop. Best is 15.ba 16. ab, Qxa1 17. Qxa1, bxc4. } ( 15...cbx4 16.axb4 Qxa1 17.Qxa1 bxc4 18.b5 Na7 19.Nd4 Nxe5 20.Nc7+ Kd8 21.Qa5 f6 22.Nxa8+ Ke8 23.bxa6 c3 24.Nc7+ Kf7 )

16.Bb3 Qxb3 17.Qxb3 1-0

Fabrikant/2013 - Dutiel/1833

Round 4 saw this matchup between eventual co-champions. There were many missed opportunities on both sides, so it was fitting that the game ended in a draw. Comments are by Dutiel, except where noted.

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e5 3.dxe5 d4 4.a3 Ne7 5.e3 Nbc6 6.Nf3 Bg4 7.exd4 Bxf3 8.gxf3

( 8.Qxf3 Nxd4 ( 8...Qxd4 9.Nc3 Qxe5+ 10.Be2 Ng6 11.Be3 Bd6 ) 9.Qd1 ( 9.Qxb7 Nc2+ 10.Ke2 Nxa1 ) 9...Qd7 10.Nc3 O-O-O 11.f4 )

8...Qxd4 9.Nc3 O-O-O

( 9...Qxd1+ 10.Kxd1 O-O-O+ 11.Kc2 Nd4+ 12.Kb1 Nx3 13.Bh3+ Kb8 14.e6 fxe6 15.Bxe6 h6 )

10.f4 Qxd1+ 11.Nxd1 Nd4 12.Bh3+ Kb8 13.O-O Ne2+ 14.Kh1 Ng6

I missed the key 14...Nxc1 here. His Bishop pair becomes very powerful while my knights roam the kingside homeless.

( 14...Nxc1 15.Rxc1 Ng6 16.Rc3 Nxf4 17.Rf3 g5 18.Nc3 h5 )

15.Be3 Nxf4 16.Bf5 Ne7

I desperately want to get rid of the bishop pair. He can win a pawn here. But, choose not to due to it opening up the h file and giving up one of his bishops. Better was the developing 16...Be7.

( 16...Be7 17.b4 Bg5 18.Rg1 h6 19.Bxg6 Nxe6 20.Bxg5 hxg5 21.Rxg5 Rde8 22.Ne3 Rxe5 )

17.Be4 Nfg6 18.f4 Nh4

( 18...f6 19.e6 f5 20.Bc2 Rd6 21.Re1 Ka8 22.Nc3 Rxe6 23.Rad1 b6 )

19.Nc3 Nh5 20.Bf2

Fritz says I have finally equalized, but I still feel worse as my pieces are uncordinated and my bishop can't move. (ed - Stockfish and Hiarcs both agree with your assessment, that black is still much worse here)

20...g6 21.Rad1 Bh6 22.Ne2

( 22.Nd5 c6 23.Nxe7 Nxe7 24.Bc5 Nc8 25.f5 Rxd1 26.Rxd1 Kc7 )

22...g5

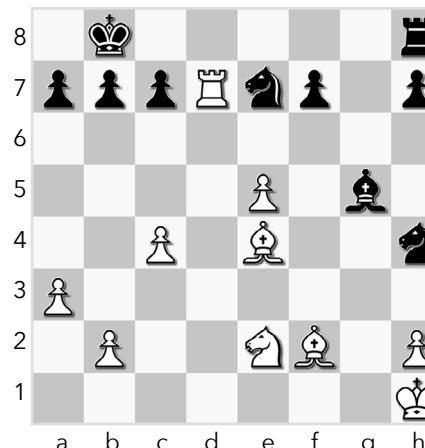
Creating targets for white to attack. Keeping the balance was Ng7. Now white is again better.

( 22...Ng7 23.Bh4 Rxd1 24.Rxd1 Nef5 25.Bf6 Ne3 26.Rd7 Rf8 27.c5 Ne6 28.c6 Ng4 ( 28...Nxf4 29.Nxf4 Bxf4 30.Bg7 Rg8 31.Rxf7 ) 29.Bd5 ( 29.Bh4 ) 29...Nxf4 30.Be7 Rh8 31.Bf3 )

23.fxg5 Rxd1

Played to prevent dropping the a7 pawn after an exchange on f5.

24.Rxd1 Bxg5 25.Rd7 Nh4



Defending the weak f7 pawn with Rf8 looked horrible to me since Bc5 is strong.

( 25...Rf8 26.Bc5 b6 27.Bxf5 bxc5 28.Bxh7 Nc6# )

26.Be3

Willingly giving up the Bishop pair. Now black is back into the game. 26. Bg3 with ideas of e6 builds more pressure on black's defense.

26...Bxe3 27.Rxe7 Rd8

Suddenly black has mating threats!

28.h3

( 28.Ng1 a6 29.Bd5 c6 30.e6 cxd5 31.exf7 Bf6 32.Re6 Ng6 33.h4 )

28...c6

With 2 pawn hanging, I found the best move here giving my King luft and threatening Rd1+ followed by Rd2!

29.Nc3

He didn't think he could survive capturing the f7 pawn here. But, I suggested to him that he could. To my surprise, Fritz confirmed it as the best move! Here's a sample line.

( 29.Rxf7 Rd1+ 30.Kh2 Rd2 31.Kg3 Rxe2 32.Kxh4 Bf2+ 33.Kg5 Rxe4 34.Rxf2 Rxe5+ 35.Kh6 Re4 36.Rf8+ Kc7 37.Rf7+ Kb6 38.Rxh7 Rxc4 39.Kg6 Rc2 40.b4 Ra2 41.h4 Rxa3 )

29...Bc1 30.Rxf7 Bxb2 31.Rxh7

Not the tempting 31 e6 with the idea of getting a queen if black captures the Knight. Ben pointed out a cute mate here to me if he had. 31..Bxc3! 32. e7, Rd1+ 33. Kh2, Be5+ 34. Rf4, Bxf4++ ( 31.e6 Bxc3 32.e7 Rd1+ 33.Kh2 Be5+ 34.Rf4 Bxf4# )

31...Bxc3 32.Rxh4 Bxe5 33.Bf5

At this point we were both low on time. I could force a trade of Rooks with Rd4 achieving a drawn opposite colored

ending. A very hard fought game with a peaceful ending.

1/2-1/2

### Linscott/1876 - Wan/1954

This last round victory for Wan brought his score up to the leaders to enable Wan to split the championship. Linscott is an always dangerous opponent, and Wan's use of his passed pawn proved to be the key to his success in this game.

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Ne2 dxe4  
 5.a3 Be7 6.Nxe4 Nf6 7.Nxf6+ Bxf6 8.c3  
 O-O 9.Ng3 c5 10.Ne4 cxd4 11.Nxf6+  
 Qxf6 12.Qxd4 e5 13.Qe3 Nc6 14.Be2 Be6  
 15.O-O Qe7 16.f4 f6 17.f5 Bd5 18.Qg3  
 Kh8 19.Be3 Rfd8 20.b4 Rac8 21.Bc5 Qc7  
 22.Qf2 Rd7 23.Bb5 a6 24.Be2 Bb3 25.Qe3  
 Ba4 26.Rfe1 Ne7 27.Bxe7 Rxe7 28.c4  
 Rd7 29.c5 Rd4 30.Rac1 Rcd8 31.Bc4 Bc6  
 32.Be6



Up to this point black is better, but white's last move was a mistake that allows the passed pawn to become stronger as it moves closer to its promotion square. It is easy to see why white made this move - the bishop has a deep post protected by

the f5 pawn, but overlooks the threat of black's passed e-pawn.

{ -2.52/18 } { 32.Qh3 { -0.98/19 } 32...Rd2

33.Be2 e4 34.Qe3 Qe5 35.Rf1 Qd4 36.Qxd4  
 R8xd4 37.Rfe1 e3 38.Bf1 Re4 39.Be2  
 Re8 40.Rcd1 Re5 41.g4 Bd5 42.Ra1 Re8  
 43.Rad1 Rd8 }

32...Rd3 33.Qf2 e4 34.Re3 Qe5 35.Rxd3  
 Rxd3 36.Bc4 e3 37.Qg3 Qxg3 38.hxg3  
 Rd2 39.Re1

{ -4.01/24 } { 39.Kh2 { -2.10/24 } 39...Bxg2  
 40.g4 e2 41.Re1 Bf3 42.Kg3 Rd1 43.c6 bxc6  
 44.Kf2 Bxg4 45.Bxa6 Bxf5 46.Bxe2 Rd2  
 47.Rd1 Rxd1 48.Bxd1 Kg8 49.a4 Kf8 50.a5  
 Bc8 51.Be2 Ke7 52.a6 g5 }

39...Rxe2+ 40.Kf1 Rxe2 41.Ke2 h5 42.Rf1  
 Kh7 43.Rf4 Kh6 44.Rh4 Kg5 45.Rh2 h4  
 46.Be6

{ -17.43/21 } { 46.Kd3 { -8.34/22 } 46...h3  
 47.a4 Bxa4 48.b5 axb5 }

46...h3 47.Bc4 Rg2+ 0-1



John Hartmann battles Joe Knapp to a draw

## TOURNAMENT RESULTS

### Jack Spence Chess Club Championship

The new-in-2013 Jack Spence Chess club held its first club championship at its weekly venue of the Beth Israel Synagogue in Omaha, from October 1, through November 5. The format was one round each week for six weeks, which required a great deal of dedication from the players.

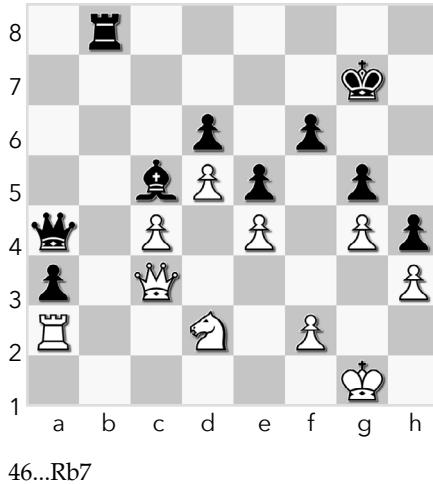
This inaugural event was won by John Linscott with a 5/6 score. John Stepp finished in second place, a half point behind, with Tony Dutiel and Abhinav Suresh tied for third at 4/6. Suresh earned a 144-point rating increase for his magnificent performance.

#### Open Section

		5	W10	D4	D3	W2	W8	W6
1	John Linscott 1851-1869							
2	John W Stepp 1753-1757	4.5	W6	W14	D5	L1	W4	W9
3	Tony Dutiel 1900-1893	4	H	W8	D1	D6	W5	D4
4	Abhinav Suresh 1405-1549	4	W11	D1	W7	W5	L2	D3
5	John R Hartmann 1731-1708	3.5	W9	W12	D2	L4	L3	W10
6	David Owen Sparks 1328-1411	3.5	L2	W13	W14	D3	W7	L1
7	Dan H Wolk 1385-1337	3	L12	W9	L4	X	L6	W13
8	Steven Joseph Cusumano 1849P14-1811P18	2.5	H	L3	W12	W10	L1	U
9	Jonathan James Reigenborn 1381-1360	2.5	L5	L7	D15	W12	W11	L2
10	Thomas Richard Freed Iii 1330P14-1354P19	2.5	L1	W11	H	L8	W14	L5
11	John Patrick Mcelderry 1128-1142	2	L4	L10	W13	F	L9	W14
12	Brendan Franz Forsling 809-818	2	W7	L5	L8	L9	L13	B
13	Eylon Caplan 571-637	2	L14	L6	L11	B	W12	L7
14	Richard Gruber Iii 1371-1298	1.5	W13	L2	L6	H	L10	L11
15	Jeffrey Craig Kerbow 1415P5-1406P6	1	H	U	D9	U	U	U

#### Suresh/1405 - Linscott/1851

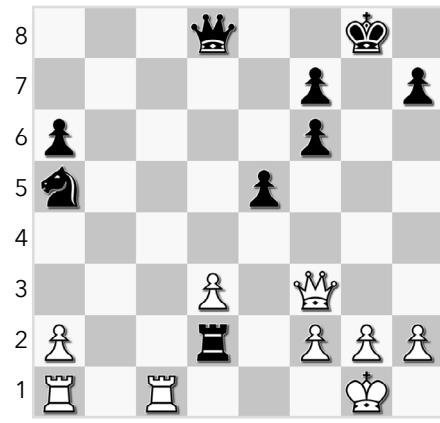
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 5.d3 b5 6.Bb3 Be7 7.O-O d6 8.h3 Na5  
 9.c3 Nxb3 10.Qxb3 O-O 11.Be3 c5  
 12.Nbd2 Be6 13.Qc2 Nd7 14.d4 f6 15.d5  
 Bf7 16.Nh4 g6 17.Nhf3 g5 18.b3 Kh8  
 19.Nh2 Rg8 20.Ng4 Qf8 21.c4 b4 22.a3  
 h5 23.Nh2 Qc8 24.axb4 cxb4 25.Ra4 a5  
 26.Rfa1 Bd8 27.Qd1 Nc5 28.R4a2 Bg6  
 29.Qf3 Kg7 30.Bxc5 Qxc5 31.Nhf1 Qc8  
 32.Ne3 Qd7 33.Nf5+ Kh7 34.Rc2 Bb6  
 35.g4 h4 36.Rac1 Bc5 37.Ra2 a4 38.bxa4  
 Rxa4 39.Rca1 Ra3 40.Rxa3 bxa3 41.Ra2  
 Qa4 42.Ne7 Rf8 43.Nxg6 Kxg6 44.Qf5+  
 Kg7 45.Qf3 Rb8 46.Qc3



51...Qd1+ 52.Kg2 Qe1 53.Qf3 Rb2

### Dutiel/1900-Cusumano/1849

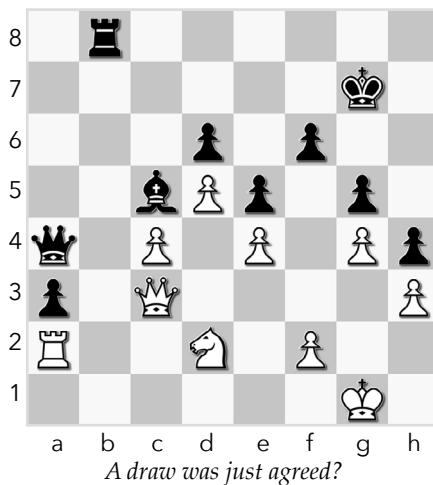
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5.exd5 Na5 6.Bb5+ c6 7.dxc6 bxc6 8.Qf3  
Bb7 9.Bd3 a6 10.Nc3 c5 11.Be4 Bxe4  
12.Ngxe4 Be7 13.d3 O-O 14.Be3 Rb8  
15.Nxf6+ Bxf6 16.Bxc5 Rxb2 17.Bxf8  
Qxf8 18.Ne4 Rxc2 19.Nxf6+ gxf6 20.O-O  
Qd8 21.Rfc1 Rd2



Black just played 21...Rd2??

46...Rb7  
-98.37/30 46...Qd1+ 47.Kg2 Qe1 48.Nb1  
Qxb1 49.Qc2 Qxc2 50.Rxc2 Rb2 51.Rc1  
Rxf2+ 52.Kh1 a2 53.Ra1 Bd4 54.Rxa2 Rxa2  
55.c5 dxc5 56.d6 Rb2 57.d7 Rb8 58.Kg2  
Rd8 59.Kf3 Rxd7 60.Ke2 Ra7 61.Kd2 Ra2+  
62.Kd3 Rh2 63.Kc4 Rxh3 64.Kd5 Rg3  
65.Kc6 Rxg4 66.Kd5

47.Kg2 Ra7 48.Qb3 Qd7 49.Kf1 Rb7  
50.Qf3 Qa4 51.Qc3



A draw was just agreed?

1/2-1/2

### Linscott/1851 - Dutiel/1900

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Nf6 4.d3 Bc5  
5.O-O d6 6.c3 O-O 7.Nbd2 Bd7 8.Ba4  
Re8 9.h3 d5  
{ +1.01/21 } ( 9...a6 { -0.04/21 } 10.Re1 b5  
11.Bb3 Bb6 12.Nf1 Na5 13.Bc2 c5 14.Ng3  
h6 15.a3 Nc6 16.b4 Be6 17.Be3 Qc7 18.Bb3  
c4 19.dxc4 Bxe3 20.Rxe3 )

10.Re1 dxe4 11.dxe4 a6 12.Bc2 Qe7  
13.Qe2 Rad8 14.Nf1 Nh5 15.Bg5 f6  
16.Be3 Nf4 17.Qc4+ Ne6 18.b4 Bxe3

19.Nxe3 b5 20.Qf1 g6 21.a4 Qg7 22.axb5  
axb5 23.Bd3 Nf4 24.Bxb5 Rb8

{ +4.52/20 } ( 24...Ne7 { +2.10/20 } 25.Bxd7  
Rxd7 26.Red1 Nc8 27.Qc4+ Ne6 28.Qc6  
Rxd1+ 29.Rxd1 Qf7 30.Rd7 Re7 31.Rxe7  
Nxe7 32.Qd7 Kg7 33.g3 Ng8 34.Qd3 Ne7  
35.Kg2 Nc8 36.Nc4 Nb6 )

25.Bc4+ Kh8 26.Nd5 Nxd5 27.Bxd5 Ne7  
28.Bc4 Nc8 29.Ra6 Nd6 30.Ra7 Nb5

{ +2.18/27 } ( 30...Bc6 { +1.09/22 } 31.Bd3  
Qd7 32.Qe2 Red8 33.Ra2 Qf7 34.Ra6 Qd7  
35.Qe3 Kg7 36.Rea1 Bb7 37.R6a5 Bc6  
38.R5a3 Nf5 39.exf5 Qxd3 40.Qxd3 Rxd3  
41.fxg6 Bxf3 42.gxf3 hxg6 )

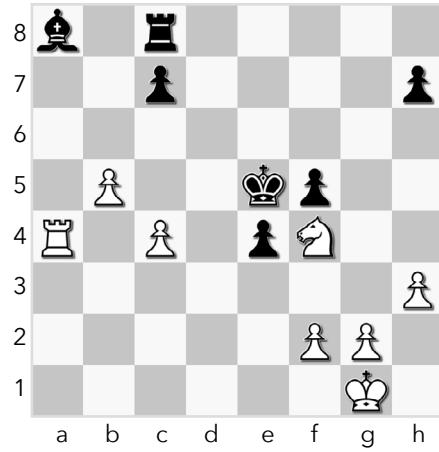
31.Bxb5 Bxb5 32.c4 Bc6 33.b5 Ra8  
34.Rxa8 Bxa8 35.Qd3 f5

{ +3.23/26 } ( 35...Qe7 { +1.61/21 } 36.Rd1  
Bb7 37.Nh2 h5 38.Nf1 Kg7 39.Ne3 Qc5  
40.h4 Re7 41.Qb1 Kf7 42.Rd8 Re8 43.Rd7+  
Re7 44.Rd1 Re8 45.Rd2 Qe7 46.Qd3 Ra8  
47.Nd5 Qc5 )

36.exf5 e4 37.Qd4

{ +1.73/24 } ( 37.Qd2 { +2.94/21 } 37...gxf5  
38.Nh4 Qf7 39.Qg5 f4 40.Rd1 e3 41.Rd8  
Rxd8 42.Qxd8+ Qg8 43.Qxc7 exf2+ 44.Kf1  
Qe8 45.Qa5 Be4 46.Qd2 Qe5 47.Nf3 Qc5  
48.Qd4+ Qxd4 49.Nxd4 Bd3+ 50.Kxf2  
Bxc4 )

37...gxf5 38.Qxg7+ Kxg7 39.Nd4 Kf6  
40.Ra1 Ke5 41.Ne2 Kd6 42.Ra6+ Kc5  
43.Ra7 Rc8 44.Ra4 Kd6 45.Nf4 Ke5



Black just played 45...Ke5

46.Ne2

{ 0.00/42 } ( 46.g3 { +1.69/22 } 46...c6 47.b6  
c5 48.Ng2 Bb7 49.Ra7 Rb8 50.Ne3 Kd6  
51.Nxf5+ Kc6 52.Ra5 Rd8 53.Kf1 Rd1+  
54.Ke2 Rb1 55.Ra2 Kd7 56.Rd2+ Ke6  
57.Nd6 Rxb6 58.Nxb7 Rxb7 59.Ke3 Rb4  
60.Kxe4 Rxc4+ 61.Ke3 )

46...Kd6 47.Ra6+ Kc5 48.Ra4 Kd6 49.Nf4

{ 0.00/46 } ( 49.Kf1 { +1.61/22 } 49...Bb7  
50.Nd4 f4 51.Nb3 Ra8 52.Rxa8 Bxa8  
53.Ke2 Ke5 54.g3 fxg3 55.fxg3 Bb7 56.Ke3  
Bc8 57.g4 Be6 58.Na5 Bf7 59.Nc6+ Kf6  
60.c5 Bd5 61Nb4 )

49...Ke5 50.Ne2

{ 0.00/45 } ( 50.g3 { +1.73/21 } 50...Rb8  
51.Ng2 c6 52.bxc6 Bxc6 53.Ra5+ Ke6  
54.Ne3 Rf8 55.Nc2 Rd8 56.Ra6 Rd6  
57.Ne3 Bd7 58.Ra5 Kf6 59.Ra7 Rd4 60.c5  
h5 61.Ra6+ Ke7 62.Rh6 Be6 63.Rh7+ Kf6  
64.Rxh5 )

50...Kd6 1/2-1/2

### Stepp/1753 - Linscott/1851

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6

5.d3 b5 6.Bb3 Be7 7.c3 d6 8.h3 O-O  
 9.Nbd2 Nb8 10.Nf1 Nbd7 11.Ng3 Nc5  
 12.Bc2 Re8 13.b4 Ne6 14.Bb3 c6 15.a4  
 Qc7 16.a5 c5 17.Bd2

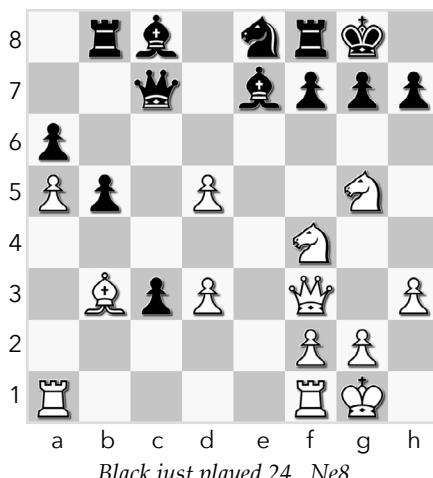
{ -1.41/22 } ( 17.O-O { -0.20/18 } 17...  
 Bb7 18.Bxe6 fxe6 19.bxc5 Qxc5 20.Qb3  
 d5 21.Nxe5 Qc7 22.Nf3 Bd6 23.e5 Bxe5  
 24.Nxe5 Qxe5 25.Be3 Rac8 26.Rfc1 Qc7  
 27.Rc2 Red8 28.Qb4 )

17...Nf4 18.Bxf4 exf4 19.Ne2 cxb4 20.O-O  
 bxc3 21.Ng5

{ -3.11/18 } ( 21.Qb1 { -1.65/17 } 21...Bb7  
 22.Rc1 b4 23.Ba4 d5 24.Bxe8 Rxe8 25.e5  
 Nd7 26.d4 Rc8 27.Qc2 Nf8 28.Nxf4 Ne6  
 29.Nxe6 fxe6 30.Rf1 Qc4 31.Rfb1 Rf8 32.h4  
 Bc6 )

21...Rf8 22.Nxf4 d5 23.Qf3 Rb8 24.exd5  
 Ne8

{ +1.05/18 } ( 24...Bd6 { -2.06/19 } 25.Nh5  
 Nxh5 26.Qxh5 Bf5 27.Ne4 Bg6 28.Qf3 Rfe8  
 29.h4 h5 30.Rfe1 b4 31.Nxd6 Qxd6 32.Re2  
 Rxe2 33.Qxe2 Bf5 34.Re1 Rd8 35.Qxh5  
 Bxd3 )



25.d6

{ -1.85/19 } ( 25.Nxh7 { +1.05/18 } 25...  
 Nf6 26.Nxf6+ Bxf6 27.Ng6 Qd6 28.Nxf8  
 Kxf8 29.Rae1 Bd7 30.Re4 Rd8 31.Ra1  
 Rc8 32.Rae1 Kg8 33.Qe3 Bd8 34.Re8+  
 Bxe8 35.Qxe8+ Kh7 36.Qxf7 Bf6 37.d4 c2  
 38.Qh5+ Kg8 39.Re8+ )

25...Nxd6

{ 0.00/18 } ( 25...Bxd6 { -1.85/19 } 26.Nd5  
 Qd8 27.Nxf7 Rxf7 28.Nxc3 Rb7 29.Rfe1  
 Kf8 30.Bxf7 Rxf7 31.Qe3 Re7 32.Qb6  
 Rxe1+ 33.Rxe1 Bc7 34.Qc6 Qd7 35.Qf3+  
 Nf6 36.Ne4 Qe6 37.Rc1 Bxa5 38.Nxf6 gxf6 )

26.Nd5

{ -2.38/21 } ( 26.Nxh7 { 0.00/18 } 26...Re8  
 27.Rae1 Bf5 28.Nd5 Qd8 29.Rxe7 Rxe7  
 30.Nhf6+ gxf6 31.Qg3+ Kh8 32.Qh4+ Kg8  
 33.Qg3+ )

26...Qd8 27.Nxe7+ Qxe7 28.Qh5 Bf5  
 29.Rfe1 Qf6 30.Rad1 Bg6 31.Qg4 Nf5  
 32.Ne4 Qc6 33.Qf3

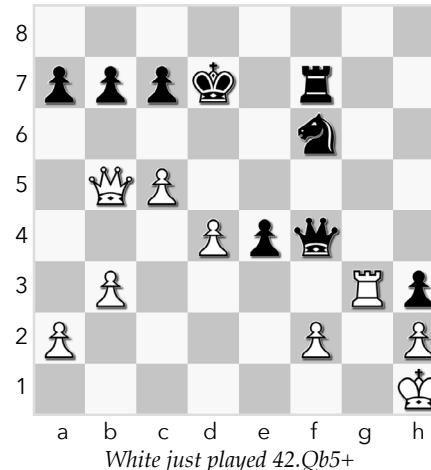
{ -10.42/20 } ( 33.Rc1 { -2.98/19 } 33...  
 b4 34.Ng5 Qd6 35.Nf3 Rb5 36.Ra1 Rd8  
 37.Qc4 h6 38.Qg4 h5 39.Qc4 Nd4 40.Nxd4  
 Qxd4 41.Qc6 Qd6 42.Qxd6 Rxd6 43.Re8+  
 Kh7 )

33...Nd4 34.Nf6+ Qxf6 35.Qxf6 gxf6 0-1

**Suresh/1405-Hartmann/1731**

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Nf6 4.Ng5 d5  
 5.exd5 Na5 6.Bb5+ Bd7 7.Bxd7+ Qxd7  
 8.d3 Nxd5 9.O-O O-O-O 10.Bd2 Nc6  
 11.Nc3 h6 12.Nf3 f5 13.Re1 Re8 14.Qe2  
 Nf6 15.Rad1 Nd4 16.Qf1 Nxf3+ 17.gxf3  
 g5 18.Kh1 Bd6 19.Bc1 g4 20.Qg2 Reg8  
 21.Rg1 h5 22.d4 gxf3 23.Qxf3 e4 24.Qe2  
 Ng4 25.Rg2 h4 26.Nb5 h3 27.Nxd6+  
 Qxd6 28.Rg3 Qd5 29.c4 Qe6 30.Bf4 Nf6  
 31.Rdg1 Rxg3 32.Bxg3 Nh5 33.Be5 Rh7  
 34.Rg5 Nf6 35.Rg6 Rf7 36.b3 f4 37.Bxf4

Qf5 38.Rg3 Qxf4 39.c5 Qc1+ 40.Rg1 Qf4  
 41.Rg3 Kd7 42.Qb5+



Black has been winning throughout most of this game, but throws it all away with one careless move.

Kc8 43.Rg8+ 1-0

## GM Boris Gulko Simul Exhibit

by Jerry Slominski

Omaha's Jack Spence Chess Club, which formed this spring and plays every Monday at Beth Israel, was host to a famous Grandmaster. John Hartmann, an organizer of the club, said Omaha has produced good players over the years, and has a strong chess history. He notes that a world champion once played top Nebraska players in Omaha in 1924, and major national tournaments were held in Omaha, with the last in 1959. That was the US Open. "We are trying to reestablish the enthusiasm for chess in the city and the state," said John.



GM Gulko (r) making the rounds

Boris Franzovich Gulko (born February 9, 1947 Erfurt, East Germany) is a U.S. International Grandmaster in chess. In Russian, his name is pronounced bah-REESgul-KO. As of May 2010, his Elo rating was 2535, making him #25 among active chess players in the US, and the 520th highest-rated active player in the world. His peak rating was 2644 in 2000.

## Chess Tips for Everyone

Chess games are not won, they are lost - it's a simple matter of who makes the last big mistake. Eliminating as many of your own mistakes as you can is a great starting point for improving your chess results. Just remember three things before every move:

- Look at the piece your opponent just let go of. Figure out the purpose of that move.
- Look at all captures and checks your opponent has.
- Look at all captures and checks you can make.

Eliminating errors really can be as simple as applying these basic guidelines on *every* move!

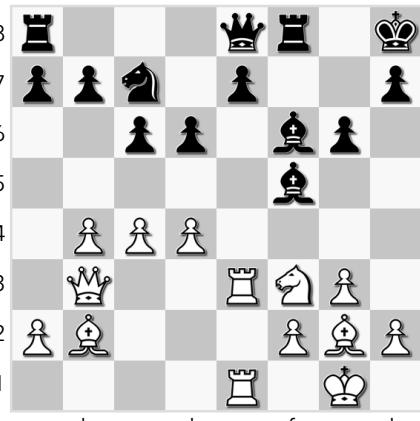
Gulko played for Soviet Union in the Chess Olympiad of 1978 and for the USA in the Chess Olympiads of 1988-2004. He is still playing chess, although he does not participate in a large number of tournaments. Today the Gulkos live in Fair Lawn, New Jersey.

At the Jack Spence club he faced 20 Nebraska opponents on Nov 10th, 2013. His results were 18 wins, 2 losses and a draw.

### Gulko/2605 - Dutiel/1851

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e5 3.e3 exd4 4.exd4 Nf6  
 5.Nc3 Be7 6.Nf3 O-O 7.cxd5 c6 8.dxc6  
 Nxc6 9.Bd3 Bg4 10.Be3 Bxf3 11.gxf3  
 Nb4 12.Be4 Nbd5 13.Qd3 Bb4 14.O-O  
 h6 15.Kh1 Nxe3 16.fxe3 Qe7 17.Nd5  
 Nxd5 18.Bxd5 Rad8 19.Bb3 Rfe8 20.Qf5  
 Bd2 21.e4 Rxd4 22.Rg1 Be3 23.Rg3 Red8  
 24.e5 Rf4 25.Qh5 Rh4 26.Qf5 Bf4 27.Rg2

5.Bb2 O-O 6.O-O d6 7.d4 Qe8 8.Nbd2 c6  
 9.c4 Bd7 10.Re1 Na6 11.Qb3 Kh8 12.e4  
 fxe4 13.Nxe4 Nxe4 14.Rxe4 Bf5 15.Re3  
 Nc7 16.Rae1 Bf6



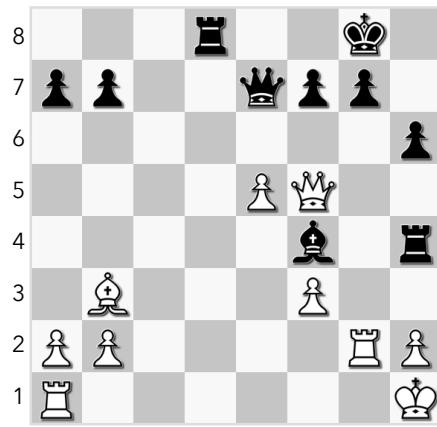
*Black has been doing well up to this point*

17.d5 Qd7 18.Rxe7 Qc8 19.Bxf6+ Rxf6  
 20.Qc3 Qf8 21.Rxc7 Kg8 22.Ree7 g5  
 23.Nxg5 Bg6 24.Ne6 Rxf2 25.Rg7+ 1-0

Two Nebraska players won their games, Steven Cusumano and Joseph Fitzpatrick.

### Gulko/2605-Cusumano/1801

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 d5 4.cxd5 exd5  
 5.Bg5 Be7 6.e3 c6 7.Bd3 O-O 8.Nge2  
 Nbd7 9.Qc2 b6 10.O-O-O Bb7 11.h4 c5  
 12.f3 c4 13.Bf5 g6 14.Bh3 Re8 15.Nf4 a6  
 16.Bxd7 Qxd7 17.g4 b5 18.Kb1 b4 19.Na4  
 Qb5 20.Nc5 Bxc5 21.Bxf6 Bd6 22.h5 b3  
 23.Qf2 bxa2+ 24.Ka1 Bxf4 25.hxg6 fxg6  
 26.exf4 c3

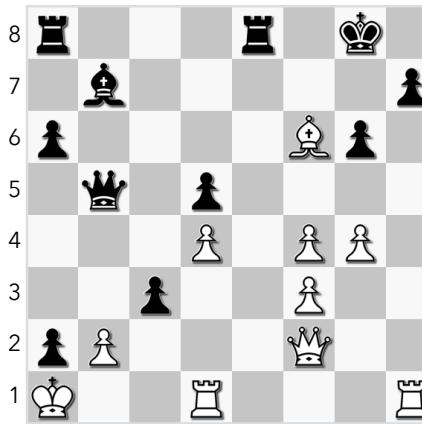


*Black has been doing well up to this point*

Bxh2? 28.Rxh2 Rd2 29.Qxf7+ Kh7 30.  
 Qg8+ Kg6 31.Rg1+ Kf5 32.Qe6+ Kf4  
 33.Rg4+ Rxg4 34.Qxg4+ 1-0

### Gulko/2605 - Caniglia/1485

1.Nf3 f5 2.g3 Nf6 3.Bg2 g6 4.b4 Bg7



*The game is even, but white is about to err*

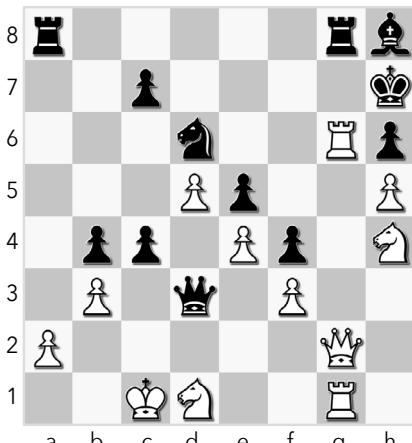
27.bxc3? Re2 0-1

### Gulko/2605 - Fitzpat-

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Be2  
 O-O 6.Be3 e5 7.d5 Nbd7 8.g4 Nc5 9.Bf3  
 Ne8 10.h4 f5 11.gxf5 gxf5 12.h5 h6 13.  
 Qe2 f4 14.Bxc5 dxc5 15.Bg4 Kh7 16.Bxc8  
 Qxc8 17.Nf3 Nd6 18.O-O-O Qd7 19.  
 Rdg1 Rg8 20.Rg6 Bh8 21.Nh4 a6 22.Kb1  
 b5 23.cxb5 axb5 24.f3 b4 25.Nd1 Qa4  
 26.b3 Qa6

+2.82/21 27.Nf5 Rxg6 28.hxg6+ Kg8  
 29.Nxh6+ Kf8 30.Qxa6 Rxa6 31.Nf5  
 Bg7 32.Rh7 Ne8 33.Nxg7 Nxg7 34.Rh6  
 c4 35.bxc4 Ke7 36.Nf2 Ra3 37.Ng4 Rxf3  
 38.Rh7 Kf8 39.Nxe5 Rf2 40.Nc6

Qd3+ 28.Kc1 c4 29.Rg1



*White's g-file battery looks scary, but isn't*

cx b3! 30.Rxg8 Qc4+ 31.Kb1 bxa2+ 0-1



*White is winning, but slips here*

27.Qg2?

### GM Boris Gulko

- Born in East Germany
- Became a GM in 1976
- 1977 Soviet Champion
- Emigrated to US in 1986
- 1994 and 1999 US Champion
- Only player to win both the Soviet and US titles.
- Has a plus score against Kasparov (games from 1978-2001)

# TOURNAMENT RESULTS

## Lincoln City Championship

The Lincoln city championship was held November 9th, 2013 in Lincoln Nebraska. John Hartmann served as tournament director.

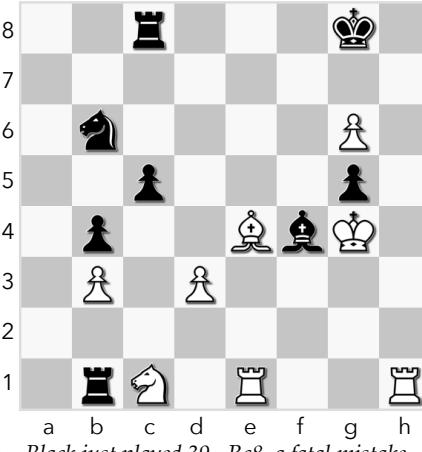
11 year old Joseph Wan tied with John Stepp for first place with 2.5 points, and were declared co-champions. Second place was John Linscott and a four way tie for 3rd place among Kent Nelson, John Hartmann, Douglas Mcfarland and Jonathan Reigenborn. Wan also won the 2012 Lincoln City Championship. This year's championship was settled with a short, 14-move last round draw between Stepp and Wan.

### Open Section

		2.5	W5	W8	D2
1	Joseph Cheng-Yue Wan 1968-1974	2.5	W5	W8	D2
2	John W Stepp 1757-1803	2.5	W10	W3	D1
3	John Linscott 1869-1868	2	W6	L2	W8
4	Kent Nelson 1819-1800	1.5	D7	D5	D6
5	John R Hartmann 1708-1707	1.5	L1	D4	W9
6	Douglas Mcfarland 1655-1660	1.5	L3	W7	D4
7	Jonathan James Reigenborn 1360-1374	1.5	D4	L6	W10
8	Joseph Fitzpatrick 1776-1757	1	W9	L1	L3
9	James Mcfarland 1210-1209	1	L8	W10	L5
10	Jarod Thomas Huston Unrated-791P3	0	L2	L9	L7

### Stepp/1757 - Linscott/1869

1.g3 Nf6 2.f4 Nc6 3.Nf3 d6 4.d3 g6 5.Bg2 Bg7 6.Nc3 O-O 7.e4 Bg4 8.h3 Bxf3 9.Qxf3 e5 10.Be3 Nd4 11.Bxd4 exd4 12.Ne2 c5 13.O-O Rb8 14.c4 dxc3 15.Nxc3 Qb6 16.Rab1 a6 17.Kh2 Qd8 18.g4 b5 19.Rbe1 b4 20.Ne2 Nd7 21.b3 a5 22.g5 a4 23.h4 axb3 24.axb3 Ra8 25.Nc1 Ra1 26.Bh3 Rb1 27.h5 Nb6 28.hxg6 hxg6 29.Rh1 Re8 30.Bg2 f6 31.f5 fxg5 32.fxg6 Qf6 33.Qxf6 Bxf6 34.Bh3 Be5+ 35.Kg2 Bf4 36.Bf5 d5 37.Kf3 dxe4+ 38.Bxe4 Rf8 39.Kg4 Rc8



40.Bf5! Rf8 41.Re7 Rxf5 42.Kxf5 Rxc1 1-0

[Check out the games online!](#)

### Hartmann/1708 - Wan/1968

1.d4 e6 2.Bf4 Nf6 3.e3 c5 4.Bd3 Nc6 5.c3 Qb6 6.Qb3 Na5 7.Qxb6 axb6 8.Na3 Nd5 9.Bg3 cxd4 10.cxd4 Bb4+ 11.Ke2 Bxa3 12.bxa3 Nc6 13.Nf3 Ke7 14.Ng5 Rd8 15.Ne4 d6 16.Bc4 Rxa3



### Wan/1968 - Fitzpatrick/1776

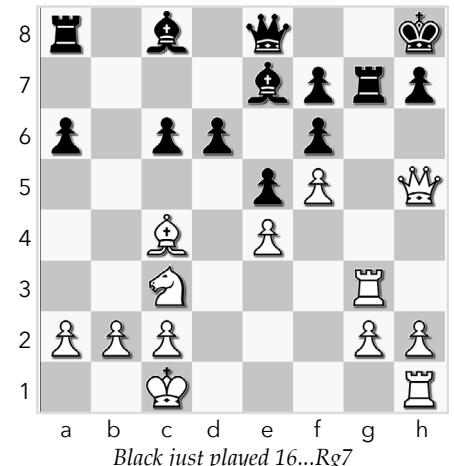
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.Bb5+ Bd7 4.Bxd7+ Qxd7 5.O-O Nc6 6.c3 Nf6 7.Re1 e6 8.d4 cxd4 9.cxd4 d5 10.e5 Ne4 11.Nbd2 Bb4



12.Nxe4 Bxe1 13.Nd6+ Ke7 14.Qxe1 f6 15.Bf4 Rhf8 16.Qe3 Nd8 17.Qa3 b6 18.Rc1 Nc6 19.exf6+ gxf6 20.Nf5+ Kf7 21.Rxc6 Qxc6 22.Qe7+ Kg6 23.N3h4+ Kh5 24.Qxh7+ Kg4 25.Qg6+ 1-0

### Linscott/1869-Fitzpatrick/1776

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bg5 e6 7.f4 Be7 8.Qf3 Nc6 9.O-O-O O-O 10.Nxc6 bxc6 11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.Rd3 e5 13.f5 Kh8 14.Qh5 Rg8 15.Rg3 Qe8 16.Bc4 Rg7



### Nebraska National Chess Champions

- Joseph Wan 2011 K-3
- Keaton Kiewra 1998 6th grade
- Paul Rohwer 1994 High School
- John Watson 1969 High School

If we missed someone, let us know!

# TOURNAMENT RESULTS

## Nebraska Class Championships

Nebraska Class championships were held at Millard South High School in Omaha, on December 7th, 2013. A total of 62 players competed across 9 class sections, class A-I.

Alexander Drake McFayden gained the most rating points (72) with his outstanding performance.

Class winners were:

A	Joseph Wan
B	Nathan Klatt
C	Don Nguyen
D	Alexander Drake McFayden
E	Benjamin Lyons
F	Marshall Biven
G	Jace Kleebach
H	Kevin Shen
I	Jurgen Beller

### Class A

1	Joseph Cheng-Yue Wan 1974-1977	2.5	W3	B	D2
2	Jerry Slominski 1872-1887	2	H	W3	D1
3	John W Stepp 1759-1740	1	L1	L2	B

### Class B

1	Nathan M Klatt 1791-1806	1	W2		
2	Joseph Fitzpatrick 1753-1737	0	L1		

### Class C

1	Don Nguyen 1510-1522	2	W3	L2	W4
2	John Ward 1382P3-1492P6	2	W4	W1	L3
3	Jason Selvaraj 1379-1447	2	L1	W4	W2
4	Bruce T Dolan 1520-1453	0	L2	L3	L1

### Class D

1	Alexander Drake Mcfayden 1374-1446	3	W2	W4	W3
2	Don J Dostal 1381-1392	2	L1	W5	W4
3	Joseph Pfaff Unrated-1054P2	1.5	W6	H	L1
4	Gary Brown 1277-1268	1	W5	L1	L2
5	John Ross Bagley 1366P4-1221P7	1	L4	L2	W6
6	Griffin Sehring 525P5-525P7	0.5	L3	H	L5

### Class E

1	Benjamin Lyons 1138-1135	2	W2	W4	L3
2	Shashank Potineni 1093-1078	2	L1	W3	B
3	Nicholas Paul Lacroix 585P5-825P8	2	W4	L2	W1
4	John Patrick Mcelderry 1142-1067	0	L3	L1	U

### Class F

1	Marshall Ku'uKu'U Momi M Biven 865P22-916P25	2.5	W8	W3	D4
2	Edwin Lawrence Schooler Iii Unrated-887P3	2	D4	D7	W6
3	Uri Herszbaum-Harding 876P16-886P19	2	W6	L1	W7
4	Noah Allyn Zaleski 705P16-804P19	2	D2	W5	D1
5	Eylon Caplan 633-642	1.5	D7	L4	W8
6	Larry Fangman 839-783	1	L3	B	L2
7	Adam Erickson Unrated-672P3	1	D5	D2	L3
8	Theodore Nguyen Unrated-425P3	1	L1	W9	L5
9	Anishansu Pradhan Unrated-120P1	1	U	L8	B

### Class G

1	Jace Michael Kleebach Unrated-1018P3	3.5	B	W4	W5	D2
2	Khoa Nguyen 705P5-868P9	3.5	W7	W3	W6	D1
3	Jacob Walter Staroscik 819P22-830	3	W11	L2	W8	W6
4	Cole Sater 711-716	2	W5	L1	L7	W8
5	Nevin Claude Sekar 667P23-660	2	L4	B	L1	W7
6	Jacey Tran 636-657	2	W10	W9	L2	L3
7	Andrew Mcfayden Unrated-643P4	2	L2	W11	W4	L5
8	Kyle Christopher Feldhaus 744P20-663P24	1	L9	W10	L3	L4
9	Matt Mandolfo 601-571	1	W8	L6	L10	F
10	Joel Sajan Jacob Unrated-497P3	1	L6	L8	W9	F
11	Jonathan Helmberger Unrated-249P2	1	L3	L7	U	B

### Class H

1	Kevin Shen 811-810	2.5	W6	D2	W4
2	Vishal Potineni 532-623	2	W4	D1	D3
3	Sneha Selvaraj 524-562	2	W5	D6	D2
4	Danny Le 495P15-490P18	1	L2	W5	L1
5	Santosh Kota 440-422	1	L3	L4	W6
6	William Dunkleman 502P14-456P17	0.5	L1	D3	L5

### Class I

1	Jurgen Beller 310P8-432P12	4	W13	W12	W3	W2
2	Kevin N Lloyd 295P14-388P17	3	B	W8	W5	L1
3	Braden Korus 300P9-377P13	3	W15	W10	L1	W11
4	Julian Timothy Carl 215P5-306P9	3	D17	W11	D6	W10
5	Mason Mandolfo 353-350	2.5	D7	W17	L2	W12
6	Landon E Novosad 295P9-298P13	2.5	L12	W13	D4	W14
7	Naren Narasimhan 101P3-258P5	2.5	D5	W9	B	U
8	Ian Imhoff 323P10-285P14	2	W14	L2	L11	W16
9	Joe Daniels 358P5-276P9	2	L11	L7	W17	W15
10	Vanis Davidson 226P9-220P13	2	W16	L3	W15	L4
11	Timothy Labadie 154P5-218P9	2	W9	L4	W8	L3
12	William Duralia 245P16-237P20	1.5	W6	L1	D14	L5
13	Sean Rowe Unrated-143P4	1.5	L1	L6	D16	W17
14	Vasavi Kotipalli Unrated-142P4	1.5	L8	W16	D12	L6
15	Sanjay Rajjan Unrated-101P3	1	L3	B	L10	L9
16	Benjamin Ledgerwood Unrated-103P4	0.5	L10	L14	D13	L8
17	Christopher Perkins Unrated-103P4	0.5	D4	L5	L9	L13

### TOURNAMENT RESULTS Omaha Central High Quads

Omaha Central High held a Quad event for beginners on January 6, 2014. This event drew four players, all rated under 1000. Drew Thyden directed.

1	Nicholas Paul Lacroix 825P8-898P11	3	W4	W2	W3
2	Edwin Lawrence Schooler Iii 887P3-864P6	2	W3	L1	W4
3	Jonathan Helmberger 249P2-512P5	1	L2	W4	L1
4	Noah Allyn Zaleski 804P19-706P22	0	L1	L3	L2

### TOURNAMENT RESULTS

### Omaha Central High Tournament

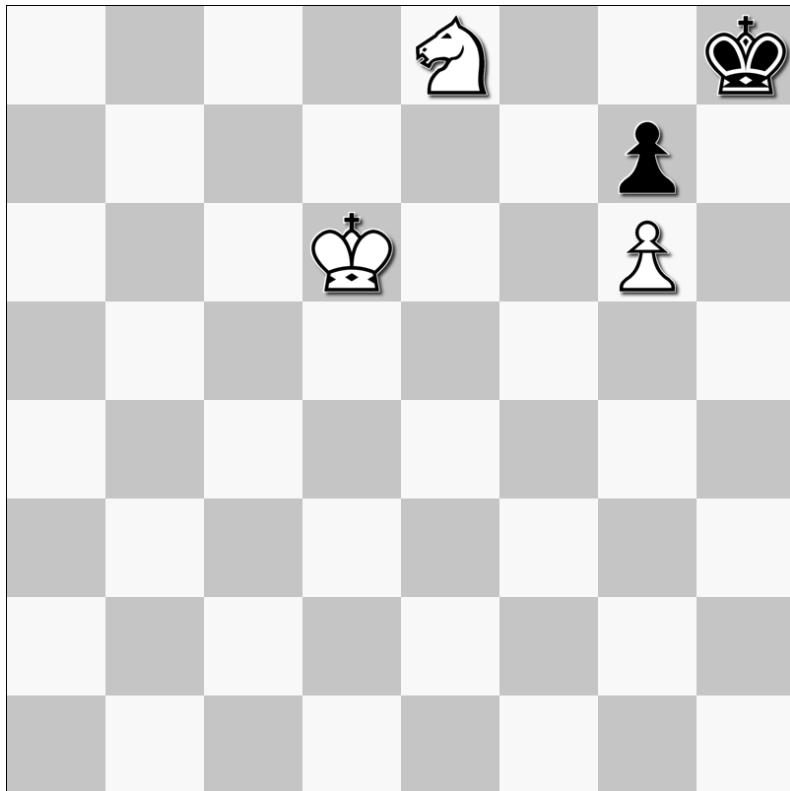
The Central High Open tournament was held at Central High School in Omaha, on November 23th, 2013. 20 players competed, with Ragnvald Nilssen winning the event with a perfect score of 4/4. His results gained an incredible 139 rating points, and earned him a performance raing of 2203. John Hartmann directed this year's edition of the event.

### Open Section

1	Ragnvald Nilssen 1600-1739	4	W12	W4	W2	W5
2	Joseph Fitzpatrick 1757-1753	3	W11	W3	L1	W8
3	Ian Vaughn Koeppe 1550P9-1567P12	3	X	L2	W6	W7
4	John W Stepp 1803-1783	2.5	W6	L1	D5	W12
5	Douglas Meux 1700-1700	2.5	W7	W10	D4	L1
6	Alexander Drake Mcfayden 1349-1374	2	L4	W12	L3	W10
7	Aidan Donald Nelson 1204-1309	2	L5	W11	W10	L3
8	Gary Brown 1234-1277	2	L9	W13	W11	L2
9	John R Hartmann 1707-1711	1.5	W8	H	U	U
10	Adam Wolzen 1444-1385	1	W13	L5	L7	L6
11	Jason Selvaraj 1440-1379	1	L2	L7	L8	W13
12	Benjamin Lyons 1147-1138	1	L1	L6	W13	L4
13	James Robert Woestman Unrated-743P4	0	L10	L8	L12	L11

### U1000 Section

1	Austin Joseph Rodgers Unrated-916P3	3	B	W2	L3	W5
2	Jacob Walter Staroscik 676P18-819P22	3	W6	L1	W4	W3
3	Kevin Shen 589-811	3	W5	W4	W1	L2
4	Matthew Wesley Rowe 961P4-780P7	2	W7	L3	L2	B
5	Max Donahoe 756P4-688P8	2	L3	W7	W6	L1
6	Alex Boerner 566-539	2	L2	B	L5	W7
7	Dalton L Rademaker 606P4-163P7	1	L4	L5	B	L6



White to play and win  
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