



Arkansas Chess News

Tony Davis Wins State Championship Title



Tony Davis (center) is the new Arkansas Champion. At left shaking Tony's hand is tournament director Al Myatt. On the right holding the trophy is Arkansas Chess Association president Steve Paulson. Al reports below.

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Quick Calendar

- Oct. 20th:** Little Rock Fall Tournament
4SS; G55+5 sec/move
- Oct. 27th:** Rolling Pawns #3: Searcy
Open 4SS (G60) & U1200 6SS (G30)
- Nov. 17:** Arkansas Memorial: Batesville
4SS, G/60
See page 8 "Event Calendar" for details.

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Arkansas State Championship

August 17-19, 2012, at the State Convention Center, Little Rock. Article by Al Myatt, TD.

What a weekend! Last year's winner Ruifeng Li defended his title, although he "only" went 5.5/6 this year instead of 6/6. Josh Pruitt worked from behind in the 3rd round game and was glad to earn the only draw against the tournament champ. Ruifeng Li defeated Tony Davis in the 5th round and Anthony Paolercio from Oklahoma in the final 6th round to win clear first.

But the real game was for the title of Arkansas State Champion, where only Arkansas residents were eligible. The final round game between two previous champions James Long and Tony Davis can best be described in one word ... epic. This was truly an epic battle where both players refused to lose.

In an evenly fought game which literally went down to the final second, Tony Davis edged James Long to win the game with 1 second left on his clock (James still had 6 seconds left), where both players Queened pawns and the position was unclear until the very end.



Ruifeng Li, ten year old prodigy from Texas, won the tournament for the third year in a row.

Results:

FIRST OVERALL - RUIFENG LI with 5.5/6

SECOND OVERALL and ARKANSAS STATE CHAMPION - TONY DAVIS with 5/6

CLASS A (1800-1999) and AR STATE SECOND PLACE - JOSH PRUITT with 4.5/6

Josh earned draws against both RUIFENG LI and ANTHONY PAOLERCIO.

CLASS B (1600-1799) - CHUCK NIGGEL went 4.5/6 and earned the Trophy.

NOTE that IF TONY DAVIS and JAMES LONG had drawn their game, there would have been a 4 way tie for AR STATE CHAMP with 4.5/6 between TONY DAVIS, JAMES LONG, JOSH PRUITT and CHUCK NIGGEL.

CLASS C (1400-1599) - KOREY KORMICK from Memphis went 4/6 to win the money.

DERRHUN WHITTEN won the Arkansas CLASS C Trophy on tie-breaks over HAYDEN HENSON and STEPHEN PAULSON.

CLASS D (1200-1399) - RONALD SANDERS won both the Class and the Trophy.

CLASS E (under 1200) - MATTHEW HUDSON won the Trophy on tie-breaks over JEFF RICHARDSON.

UNRATED - INGRID GIBSON won the Top Unrated Trophy over her brother MICHAEL GIBSON.

UPSET PRIZE - JOSEPH STAFFORD won the top upset prize with his win over BILL ORTON.

Here's the official USCF crosstable with post-tournament ratings:

Crosstable

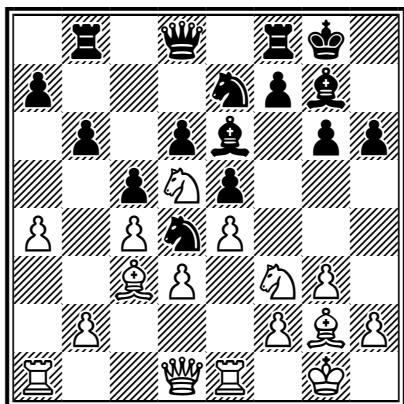
| Pair Num | Player Name USCF ID / Rtg (Pre->Post) | Total Pts | Round 1 | Round 2 | Round 3 | Round 4 | Round 5 | Round 6 |
|-----------------|--|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| <u>1</u> TX | <u>RUIFENG LI</u> 13768313 / R: 2202 ->2209 | 5.5 N:1 | W 20 | W 14 | D 3 | W 9 | W 2 | W 5 |
| <u>2</u> AR | <u>TONY DAVIS</u> 12417692 / R: 2138 ->2141 | 5.0 N:1 | W 26 | W 31 | W 13 | W 8 | L 1 | W 6 |
| <u>3</u> AR | <u>JOSH PRUETT</u> 12781148 / R: 1801 ->1840 | 4.5 N:2 | W 18 | W 17 | D 1 | D 5 | W 21 | D 7 |
| <u>4</u> AR | <u>CHARLES M NIGGEL</u> 10382611 / R: 1700 ->1735 | 4.5 N:2 | W 28 | H | D 14 | W 36 | D 7 | W 16 |
| <u>5</u> OK | <u>ANTHONY D PAOLERCIO</u> 12889327 / R: 2020 ->2021 | 4.0 N:2 | H | W 30 | W 16 | D 3 | W 8 | L 1 |
| <u>6</u> AR | <u>JAMES LONG</u> 12374730 / R: 1990 ->1982 | 4.0 N:2 | W 25 | W 10 | D 21 | D 7 | W 13 | L 2 |
| <u>7</u> AR | <u>ALEXANDER PATRICK WOLF</u> 12874780 / R: 1848 ->1854 | 4.0 N:2 | W 32 | D 16 | W 11 | D 6 | D 4 | D 3 |
| <u>8</u> AR | <u>DEVON NATHANIEL HOLDER</u> 12808571 / R: 1831 ->1830 | 4.0 N:3 | W 27 | W 24 | W 22 | L 2 | L 5 | W 29 |
| <u>9</u> TN | <u>JOSEPH C STAFFORD</u> 12945706 / R: 1770 ->1796 | 4.0 N:2 | H | W 23 | W 41 | L 1 | W 24 | D 15 |
| <u>10</u> TX | <u>JASON METPALLY</u> 14442338 / R: 1777 ->1769 | 4.0 N:3 | W 39 | L 6 | W 37 | D 21 | D 11 | W 28 |
| <u>11</u> ID | <u>MARK ANDERSON</u> 12458601 / R: 1762 ->1763 | 4.0 N:3 | H | W 34 | L 7 | W 29 | D 10 | W 21 |
| <u>12</u> TN | <u>MAX ASHER FRIEDMAN</u> 13690681 / R: 1774 ->1755 | 4.0 N:4 | H | D 15 | L 18 | W 38 | W 36 | W 24 |
| <u>13</u> AR | <u>DENNIS DALE JACKSON II</u> 12769886 / R: 1728 ->1735 | 4.0 N:3 | W 33 | W 37 | L 2 | W 25 | L 6 | W 22 |
| <u>14</u> AR | <u>PAUL J HILL</u> 12421404 / R: 1732 ->1731 | 4.0 N:3 | W 38 | L 1 | D 4 | W 26 | D 22 | W 27 |
| <u>15</u> TN | <u>KOREY J KORMICK</u> 12755802 / R: 1577 ->1650 | 4.0 N:2 | D 41 | D 12 | W 27 | D 18 | W 19 | D 9 |
| <u>16</u> AR | <u>SRIKAR CHIKKALA</u> 13008104 / R: 1719 ->1723 | 3.5 N:3 | W 29 | D 7 | L 5 | W 30 | W 18 | L 4 |
| <u>17</u> AR | <u>JOHN TYLER MADSEN</u> 12553344 / R: 1612 ->1592 | 3.5 | W 35 | L 3 | D 26 | L 19 | W 34 | W 33 |
| <u>18</u> AR | <u>RONALD C SANDERS JR</u> 12611171 / R: 1318 ->1426 | 3.5 N:3 | L 3 | W 35 | W 12 | D 15 | L 16 | W 31 |

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|-----------|---------------------------------|-----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|
| <u>39</u> | <u>GARY HADDOX</u> | 2.0 | L | 10 | L | 25 | W | 43 | L | 27 | W | 45 | L | 30 |
| AR | 12449866 / R: 1040P12->1044P18 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>40</u> | <u>INGRID LANA GIBSON</u> | 2.0 | L | 37 | W | 42 | L | 36 | L | 31 | L | 35 | W | 46 |
| AR | 14699640 / R: Unrated-> 898P6 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>41</u> | <u>WILLIAM R ORTON III</u> | 1.5 | D | 15 | W | 19 | L | 9 | U | | U | | U | |
| AR | 10383251 / R: 2200 ->2200 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>42</u> | <u>NICHOLAS JAEGER</u> | 1.5 | L | 21 | L | 40 | L | 45 | D | 44 | L | 32 | B | |
| AR | 14895238 / R: 944P9 -> 842P14 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>43</u> | <u>FLETCHER JAMES GRAGGS JR</u> | 1.5 | L | 22 | L | 26 | L | 39 | H | | U | | W | 47 |
| AR | 12548170 / R: 743P14-> 734P18 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>44</u> | <u>CHRISTOPHER JAEGER</u> | 1.5 | L | 24 | L | 27 | L | 38 | D | 42 | B | | L | 32 |
| AR | 14895271 / R: 495P9 -> 515P14 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>45</u> | <u>MICHAEL DAVID GIBSON</u> | 1.0 | L | 36 | L | 28 | W | 42 | L | 20 | L | 39 | L | 34 |
| AR | 14699634 / R: Unrated-> 873P6 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>46</u> | <u>HUNTER WEAVER</u> | 1.0 | L | 31 | L | 33 | B | | L | 37 | L | 23 | L | 40 |
| AR | 14895265 / R: 290P9 -> 287P14 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>47</u> | <u>MICHAEL JAEGER</u> | 1.0 | B | | L | 21 | L | 25 | L | 33 | L | 38 | L | 43 |
| AR | 14895250 / R: 102P9 -> 103P14 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

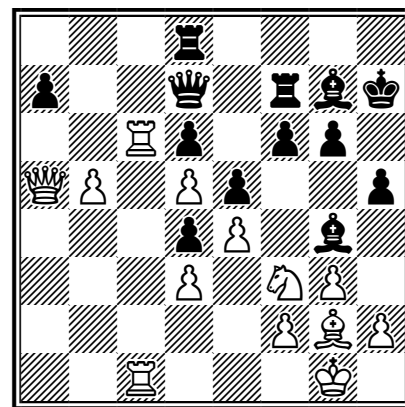
Games from the Championship:

Long,James - Davis,Tony
 Arkansas Ch (6) 2012-08-19
 (A04 Réti O)

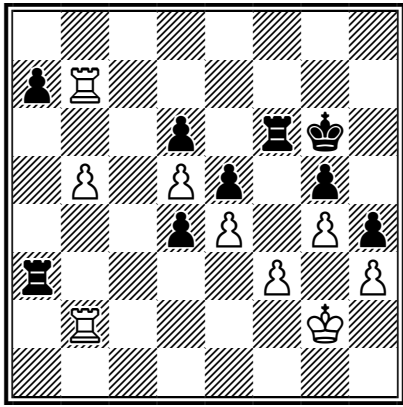
1 ♖f3 c5 2 g3 ♜c6 3 ♙g2 g6 4 d3 ♙g7 5 O-O e6
 6 ♜bd2 ♜ge7 7 e4 ♙c7 8 ♞e1 O-O 9 ♜c4 d6 10 a4
 ♞b8 11 ♙f4 e5 12 ♙d2 h6 13 ♜e3 ♙e6 14 c4 b6
 15 ♜d5 ♙d8 16 ♙c3 ♜d4



17 ♙xd4 cxd4 18 b4 ♙d7 19 b5 ♜xd5 20 cxd5 ♙g4
 21 ♞c1 h5 22 ♙d2 f6 23 ♞c6 ♜h7 24 ♙b4 ♞bd8
 25 ♞ec1 ♞f7 26 a5 bxa5 27 ♙xa5



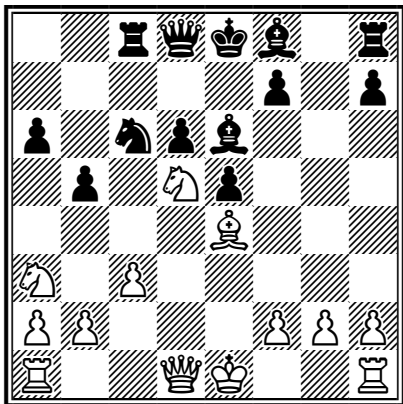
27 ... ♙e8 28 ♜d2 ♙e2 29 ♙f1 ♙xf1 30 ♜xf1
 ♙h6 31 ♞a1 ♞dd7 32 ♙b4 f5 33 ♜d2 ♙xd2
 34 ♙xd2 ♙f8 35 ♞ac1 fxe4 36 dxe4 ♙g7 37 ♜g2
 ♞f6 38 f3 ♞df7 39 ♞f1 ♙f8 40 ♙d3 g5 41 ♞c2
 ♜g7 42 ♞cf2 ♜h6 43 ♙d2 ♜g6 44 h3 h4 45 g4
 ♞f4 46 ♙c2 ♜g7 47 ♙c6 ♙b8 48 ♞c1 ♞4f6
 49 ♙a6 ♞b7 50 ♞b2 ♞b6 51 ♞c8 ♞xa6 52 ♞xb8
 ♞a3 53 ♞b7+ ♜g6 0-1



The rest of the moves were not recorded due to time trouble, but black won. Here he has a clear advantage because of his protected passed pawn on d4.

Li,Ruifeng - Paolercio,Anthony
Arkansas Ch (6) 2012-08-19
(B33 Sicilian, Sveshnikov V)

1 e4 c5 2 ♘f3 ♘c6 3 d4 cxd4 4 ♘xd4 ♘f6 5 ♘c3
e5 6 ♘db5 d6 7 ♙g5 a6 8 ♘a3 b5 9 ♙xf6 gxf6
10 ♘d5 f5 11 exf5 ♙xf5 12 ♙d3 ♙e6 13 ♙e4 ♖c8
14 c3



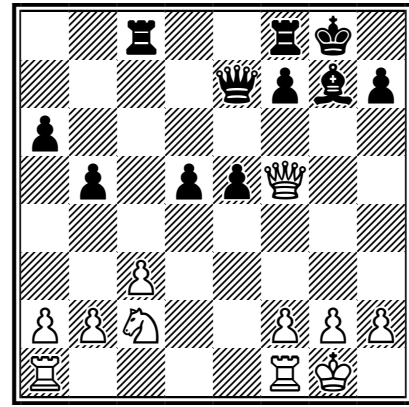
This is a pretty standard Sveshnikov Sicilian position. White intends Nc2-e3, and attacking moves like Qh5, while Black wants to get his center pawns rolling and two bishops trolling, while trying to keep his king safe of course.

14 ... ♙g7 15 ♚h5 ♘e7 16 ♘xe7

Deviating from

16 ♖d1 ♖c5 17 ♘xe7 ♚xe7 18 ♘c2 d5 19 ♙f5
♙xf5 and a draw was agreed in Sigurjonsson -
Bronstein, Hastings 1975.

16 ... ♚xe7 17 O-O d5 18 ♙f5 ♙xf5 19 ♚xf5 = O-O
20 ♘c2



The position is about equal, I think, but my computer prefers black. I like white's pressure on the center pawns by the rooks. The knight is no way inferior to the bishop, and heading toward the kingside.

20 ... d4!?

This leads to an isolated pawn game that 10 year old Ruifeng exploits like an experienced grandmaster - except for a slipup on move 33. Alternatives:

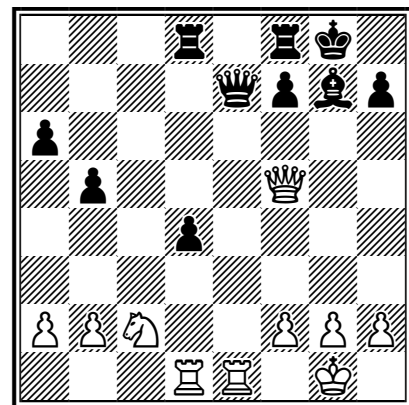
20 ... ♖fd8 21 ♖ae1 ♚d6 22 f4 e4;

20 ... ♚f6 21 ♚xf6 ♙xf6 22 ♘b4 ♖fd8 both are dynamically equal or "unclear."

21 cxd4 exd4 22 ♖ad1 ♖cd8

22 ... ♖c4!?! 23 ♖fe1 ♚f6

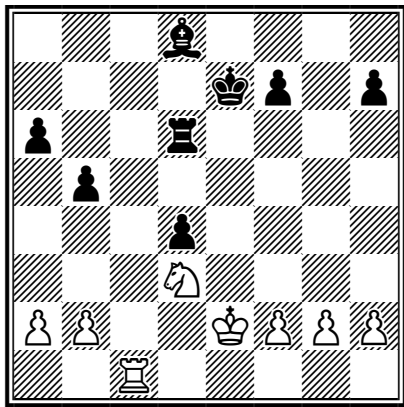
23 ♖fe1



23 ... ♚d7?

23 ... ♚d6 is better, keeping the queens on the board.

24 ♚xd7 +/- ♖xd7 25 ♘b4 ♖d6 26 ♘d3 ♖c8
27 ♖c1 ♖xc1 28 ♖xc1 ♘f8 29 ♖c7 ♙f6 30 ♘f1
♙d8 31 ♖c1 ♘e7 32 ♘e2



32 ... ♖e6?

32 ... ♜h6 33 h3;

32 ... ♜e6+ 33 ♖f3 both leave black only slightly worse.

33 ♜c5+?

33 ♜c5! would have been much better, preparing to attack the h pawn. 33 ... ♖e7 (33 ... f5 34 ♜f4+ ♖f6 35 ♖d3) 34 ♜h5 h6 35 ♜c5 ♜b6 36 ♖d3 +

33 ... ♖d5 = 34 ♜b3 ♜b6 35 ♖d3 ♜h6 36 ♜h1

36 h3 is also fine. Ruifeng cinches the tournament with a draw, so doesn't mind playing this passive rook move.

36 ... ♜g6 37 ♜g1 a5 38 ♜d2 b4 39 b3 ♜c6

39 ... ♜f6 is more prudent, but Anthony, a half point down, is playing for a win.

40 ♜c4 ♜c7 41 ♜e1 ♜e6 42 ♜xe6 fxe6

I like how "the kid" is perfectly happy to change the pawn structure and "connect" the isolani. He realizes that the structure still favors the blockading king and knight. Also, he knows that an eventual thrust of the f-pawn will re-isolate the endangered d-pawn.

43 h3 e5 44 f3 ♖e6?

Black likely thinks that he must stop white's g and h pawn majority, so he abandons the d5 square and lets the white king advance. This is the losing move.

Better was

44 ... ♜d8 45 g3 ♜c7 46 h4 h5 47 ♜d2 ♜d8

48 ♜c4 ♜c7 =

45 ♖e4 +- ♖f6 46 g3 h6 47 ♜b2 ♖e6 48 ♜d3 ♖f6 49 f4 exf4 50 gxf4

50 ... ♖g6 51 ♖xd4 ♖f5 52 ♖e3 ♜b8 53 ♖f3 h5

54 ♖g3 ♜d6 55 ♖h4 ♖e4 56 ♜e5 ♖xf4 57 ♜c4

♜c7 58 ♖xh5 ♖e4 59 ♖g6 ♖d4 60 h4 a4 61 h5

axb3 62 axb3 ♖c3 63 h6 ♖xb3 64 h7 ♖xc4
65 h8=♚ ♜b6 66 ♚c8+ ♜c5 67 ♚g4+ ♜d4
68 ♚e2+ ♖c3 69 ♖f5 b3 70 ♖e4 ♜g7 71 ♚f3+
♖b4 72 ♖d3 b2 73 ♖c2 ♜d4 74 ♚e4 ♖c5
75 ♖b3 ♜f6 76 ♚f5+ 1-0

Stafford, Joseph - Orton, Bill
Arkansas Ch (3) 2012-08-18
(B43 Sicilian, Kan, 5.Nc3)

Joseph boned up since our last game, and found a big hole in my Kan system. He totally outplayed me with the "English Attack" setup. I played the Taimanov N-e7-c6 plan pretty much by rote ... and he punished me for it on the dark squares.

1 e4 c5 2 ♜f3 e6 3 d4 cxd4 4 ♜xd4 a6 5 ♜c3 b5
6 ♜e3 ♜b7 7 f3 ♜c6 8 ♚d2 (8 ♜xc6 ♜xc6 9 ♚d2
♜f6 10 O-O-O ♜e7 11 g4 b4 12 ♜e2 d5)

8 ... ♜xd4? (8 ... ♚c7 9 O-O-O ♜f6 = is the way to go.) 9 ♜xd4 +/- ♜e7? 10 O-O-O +- ♜c6 11 ♜b6!
♚c8 12 f4!? d6 13 g3 ♜e7 14 ♜h3 O-O 15 f5?

(15 ♜he1 +/-) 15 ... ♜e5? (15 ... b4 16 ♜a4 ♜e5
17 fxe6? (17 ♚xb4 -/+) 17 ... f5 18 ♜xf5 ♜xf5

19 exf5 ♜xh1 20 ♜xh1 ♚c6 -+) 16 fxe6 fxe6
17 ♜d5 +/- ♜d8? (17 ... ♜f6 18 ♜xf6+? (18 ♚e2
+/- ♜c4 19 ♜d4) 18 ... ♜xf6 19 ♚xd6 ♜xe4)

18 ♜xd8 ♚xd8 19 ♜xe6+ +- White is simply a
pawn up. 19 ... ♖h8 20 ♜hf1 ♜c4 21 ♜xf8+ ♚xf8
22 ♚g5 (22 ♚d4) 22 ... ♜e8 23 ♜f4 (23 ♚f5)

23 ... ♜xe4 24 ♜d4? (24 ♜f1) 24 ... h6?

(24 ... ♜e5! = 25 ♜xe4 ♜xe6) 25 ♜xe4 hxg5

26 ♜g6+ ♖h7 27 ♜xf8+ ♜xf8 28 ♜xc4 bxc4

29 ♜xc4 ♜f1+ 30 ♖d2 ♜f2+ 31 ♖c3 ♜xh2

32 ♖b4 d5 33 ♜c5 ♜g2 34 ♖a5 ♜xg3 35 ♜xd5

♜g2 36 ♜c5? (36 c4 ♜xb2 37 a4 +-)

36 ... g4 gives good drawing chances, e.g. 37 ♖xa6

♜f2 38 b4 ♜f6+ 39 ♖b5 (39 ♖a5 g3 40 ♜g5 ♜g6

41 ♜h5+ ♜h6 42 ♜g5) 39 ... g3! (39 ... ♖g6

40 ♖a4 (40 ♖a5 g3) 40 ... ♜f5 41 ♜c6+ ♖g5

42 ♜d6 g3 43 ♜d1 ♜f2 44 b5 +/=) 40 ♜g5 ♜g6

41 ♜h5+ ♜h6 42 ♜g5 ♜g6 = I didn't see the rook

to g6 idea.) 37 ♖xa6 +- g4 38 b4 ♜f2 39 b5 g3

40 ♜c3 g2 41 ♜g3+ ♖f6 42 b6 ♜xc2 43 a4 g5

44 b7 1-0

Davis, Tony - Jackson, Dennie
Arkansas Ch (3) 2012-08-18
(B99 Sicilian, Najdorf, 7...Be7 Main line)

1 e4 c5 2 ♘f3 d6 3 d4 cxd4 4 ♘xd4 ♘f6 5 ♘c3 a6
6 ♙g5 e6 7 f4 ♙e7 8 ♗f3 ♗c7 9 O-O-O ♘bd7
10 g4 b5 11 ♙xf6 ♙xf6 12 ♙xb5 ♙xd4?
(12 ... ♗b8!) 13 ♙xd7+ ♙xd7 14 ♗xd4 ♗b8
15 ♗hd1 ♗b6 16 ♗d3 d5 17 exd5 O-O 18 dxe6
♙xe6 19 f5 ♙c8 20 ♘d5 ♗b7 21 ♘xb6 ♗xb6
22 ♗d8 ♙b7 23 ♗xf8+ ♘xf8 24 g5 1-0

Li, Ruifeng - Pruett, Josh
Arkansas Ch (3)
(B13 Caro-Kann, Panov-Botvinnik A)

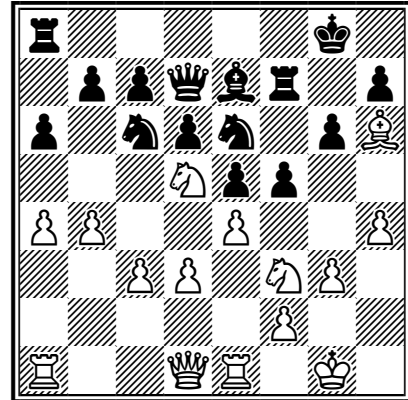
1 e4 c6 2 d4 d5 3 exd5 cxd5 4 c4 ♘f6 5 ♘c3 ♘c6
6 ♘f3 ♙g4 7 ♙g5 e6 8 c5 ♙e7 9 ♙b5 ♙xf3
10 gxf3 ♗c8 11 b4 O-O 12 a3 ♘e8 13 ♙e3 ♘c7
14 ♙xc6 bxc6 15 O-O ♙f6 16 f4 a6 17 ♗d3 ♗d7
18 ♘h1 g6 19 ♘a4 ♗b8 20 ♘b6 ♗d8 21 ♗g1
♙g7 22 ♗g2 ♘a8 23 ♘a4 a5 24 ♗a6 axb4
25 ♗xc6 bxa3 26 f5 ♗c8 27 ♗xc8 ♗fxc8 28 fxe6
fxe6 29 ♗xa3 ♗b4 30 ♗g4 e5 31 ♘c3 ♘c7
32 ♗a4 ♗xa4 33 ♘xa4 exd4 34 ♙xd4 ♙xd4 1/2

Pruett, Josh - Wolf, Alex
Arkansas Ch (6) 2012-08-19
(B23 Sicilian, Closed)

1 e4 c5 2 ♘c3 e6 3 f4 d6 I prefer the plan of
playing ...d5 in one move, perhaps playing a6 first to
prevent the annoying Bb5, e.g. (3 ... ♘c6 4 ♘f3 a6
5 g3 d5 6 d3 ♘f6 (or 6 ... b5)) 4 ... dxe4 5 ♘xe4
♗c7) 4 ♘f3 ♘c6 5 ♙b5 ♘e7 6 d3 g6 7 O-O ♙g7
8 ♗e1 a6 9 ♙a4 b5 10 ♙b3 ♘a5 11 ♘h1 ♘xb3
12 axb3 ♙d7 13 ♗h4 h6 14 ♘d1 ♘c6 15 ♗g3
♘d4 16 ♘xd4 ♙xd4? (16 ... cxd4) 17 e5 dxe5
18 fxe5 (18 c3! exf4 19 ♗xf4 +-) 18 ... ♗c7 19 ♗e1
c4 20 c3 ♙b6 21 bxc4 bxc4 22 d4 ♗b7 23 ♘e3
♙b5 24 ♘g4 g5 25 ♘f6+ ♘f8 26 ♗e4 (26 d5! exd5
27 e6 +- fxe6? 28 ♗e5 ♗f7 29 ♘xd5) 26 ... ♙c6
27 ♗g4 ♙d8 28 ♗f2 (28 ♗h3) 28 ... ♙xf6
29 ♗xf6 ♗h7 30 ♘g1 ♗b3 31 ♗f1 ♗c2 32 ♗g3
♙e4 33 ♗xc4 +- a5 34 ♗f1 a4 35 ♗e3 (35 c4 ♙c6
36 ♗c3) 35 ... ♗h8 36 ♗e2 ♗xe2 37 ♗xe2 ♙d5
38 ♘f2 1/2 White is better, but cinched the A prize
with this draw.

Orton, Bill - Joy, James
Arkansas Ch (2) 2012-08-18
(C41 Philidor D)

1 e4 e5 2 ♘f3 d6 3 ♙c4 ♙e7 4 O-O ♘f6 5 ♗e1 O-
O 6 c3 a6 7 a4 ♘c6 8 d3 ♙e6 9 ♘bd2 ♗d7 10 b4
♙xc4 11 ♘xc4 ♘h5 12 ♘e3 ♘f4 13 g3 ♘e6 14 h4
g6 15 ♘d5 f5 16 ♙h6 ♗f7



17 ♘g5 ♙xg5? 18 hxg5 ♘h8 19 b5 ♘e7 20 ♘f6
♗c8 21 d4 f4 22 dxe5 ffg3 23 ffg3 dxe5 24 ♘d7
♗e8 25 ♘xe5 ♗d8 26 ♗b3 ♗d2 27 ♗xe6 ♗ff2
28 ♘g4 ♗f7 29 ♗xf7 ♗xf7 30 ♗ad1 ♗d6 31 e5
♗xd1 32 ♗xd1 1-0

Niggel, Chuck - Chikkala, Srikar
Arkansas Ch (6) 2012-08-19
(D02 Queen's Pawn Game, Krause V)

A classic minority attack game, where black makes a
fatal error just as he reaches his superior endgame.

1 d4 d5 2 ♘f3 c5 3 e3 ♘c6 4 c3 ♘f6 5 ♙d3 ♙g4
6 ♘bd2 e6 7 h3 ♙h5 8 O-O ♙e7 9 ♗c2 cxd4
10 exd4 O-O 11 ♘e5 ♗c8 12 ♘xc6 ♗xc6 13 f4 a6
14 ♘f3 ♙xf3 15 ♗xf3 b5 16 ♗e2 ♗a5 17 ♙d2 b4
18 f5 bxc3 19 ♙xc3 ♙b4 20 fxe6 ♗xe6 21 ♗d2
♙xc3 22 bxc3 ♗c6 23 ♗c1 ♗b6 24 ♗f2 ♗b8
25 ♗g3 ♗e8 26 ♗h4 h6 27 ♗f4 ♘f8? (27 ... ♗a5;
27 ... ♗b2) 28 ♗b1 ♗c7 29 ♗xc7 ♗xc7 30 ♙xa6
♗a8 31 ♙f1 (31 ♗b6 ♗ca7 32 ♙d3 ♗xa2 33 c4 =)
31 ... ♗xa2 32 ♗e3 (32 ♗b8 +=) 32 ... ♗e7??
(32 ... g5 -/+; 32 ... g6 -/+) 33 ♗b8+ ♗e8
34 ♗exe8+ ♘xe8 35 ♙b5 ♗a1+ 36 ♘f2 1-0



Event Calendar

October 20th LITTLE ROCK Fall Tournament

4 SS; Game in 55 minutes, Time Delay 5 seconds.

SITE is the SIMPLY HOME (used to be Country Inn) – 110 East Pershing in NORTH Little Rock. This is the East side of the intersection of Pershing and Main Street (also known as Hwy 107). This Hotel is near the intersection of I-30 and I-40, same location as the August 2012 Tournament. Use this as a Warm up for the Rolling Pawns tournament October 27 !

ENTRY FEE: \$30 by October 18, \$35 on site. USCF membership required, available at site. ONE 1/2 point BYE if requested at registration.

To Pre-register by October 18 send email to armyatt@comcast.net with Name & USCF ID if a member.

REGISTER 8:00-9:15 am. ROUNDS: 9:30am, (11:30 Lunch Break), 12:30pm, 2:35pm, 4:40pm.

Prizes: 1st=20 %, 2nd=15 %, under 1800=13 %, under 1600=12 %, under 1400=10 %. under 1200=5 %; 25% to expenses.

IF (Rated Under 1200 any age) OR (Under age 19 and Unrated) THEN \$15 DISCOUNT.

MUST BE USCF MEMBER TO PARTICIPATE.

USCF One Day Tournament membership costs \$15 (adult) or \$10 (youth). Youth entries are limited to max 10 entries under 19 years old. The top Youth under 19 years old wins \$15 Entry Fee back (1 youth only, based on tie breaks), OR half prize money IF qualified for a money prize.

ENTRY/INFO: Al Myatt armyatt@comcast.net
WEB, NS, NC, W. <http://www.lrchess.org>.

October 27th: Rolling Pawns #3: Searcy

USCF rated. 2 sections: Open (G60) and U1200 (G30).

Registration is 9-9:30 am. Round 1 starts at 10am. Lunch break at 12-1pm.

Free Wi-Fi and coffee for all participants.

Open: 4 Rounds Game 60: 10-1-3-5.

U1200: 6 Rounds Game 30: 10-11-1-2-3-4.

EF: Open \$25. U1200 \$15. \$20 if pre-register (\$5 Discount).

Special CAAS Team entry fee, email for details.

Prizes: Open 1st place \$125, 2nd place \$75.

U1200 Trophies to 1st.

Site: Harding University at Searcy in the Liberty Room.

Mention you are here for chess tournament and receive 10% off

Hotel room at the Heritage Inn at Harding University (1-888-766-2465).

Contact info: Richie
Kohl 501-940-0014. richdkohl@yahoo.com

November 17: Arkansas Memorial: Batesville

Site: Extension Office, 1770 Myers. (by the Sheriff's dept.), Batesville AR.

4SS, G/60. Entry: \$25 early (Nov 15), \$30 on site. Registration: 8 – 8:45 am. Games start at 9 am.

Prizes: 85% payout plus plaques. Overall 1st - 20% + plaque; 2nd – 15%; B - 15% + plaque; C - 15% + plaque; D - 10% + plaque; E and under, including Unrated - 10% + plaque.

Takes at least 2 to make a class

Unrateds are eligible for only class prize.

For questions or to pre register contact: Steve Paulson, d4d5c4@yahoo.com 870-373-0150 or Stan Carter, scarter@uaex.edu 870-834-8335.

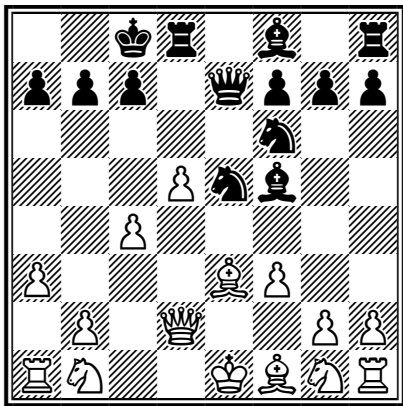
Annotated Games

Arkansas players: Email your games to the ACN at abcritter@yahoo.com and you, too, can be published!

Les Kline shares two of his recent games.

Xie, Tianming (1975) - Kline, Les (1634) Stillwater Fall Open 2012-10-07 (B01 Scandinavian D, Icelandic G)

1 e4 d5 2 exd5 ♟f6 3 c4 White seeks to hold the gambited pawn, at least for a while, in the Icelandic Gambit. 3 ... e6 Another way to play it is c6. 4 dxe6 ♟xe6 5 d4 ♟e7 Creating a dangerous pin or discovery. [Editor:] Black could also play to refute white's premature d4 (rather than Nf3) by playing (5 ... ♟b4+ 6 ♟d2 (6 ♟c3? ♟e4 -/+)) 6 ... ♟xd2+ 7 ♟xd2 ♟e7 or (7 ... O-O)) 6 ♟e2 White's only good response. 6 ... ♟c6 7 ♟e3 (7 ♟f3 is more usual.) 7 ... ♟g4 8 f3 (8 ♟f3 is probably better.) 8 ... ♟f5 9 a3 worrying about Nb4 9 ... O-O-O 10 d5 ♟e5 Fritz 12 considers Black now to be better 11 ♟d2

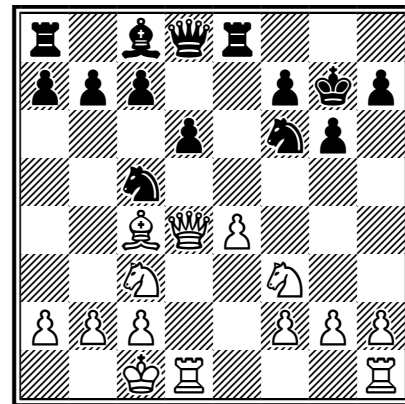


♟e8 12 Fritz likes (11 ... ♟fg4! 12 fxg4 ♟xg4 13 ♟d3 ♟xd3 14 ♟xd3 ♟xe3 15 ♟e2 ♟g5 -+) 12 ♟e2 ♟xc4 13 ♟xc4 ♟xe3+ 14 ♟e2 ♟xd2+ (14 ... ♟c5 was worth considering) 15 ♟xd2 ♟d8 16 ♟c3 ♟c5 17 O-O-O a6 18 g4 ♟g6 19 g5 ♟e8 (19 ... ♟d7 is probably better) 20 ♟he1 ♟d6 Fritz likes (20 ... ♟d6) 21 ♟f1 ♟he8 22 ♟de4 ♟xe4 23 fxe4 ♟e5 Fritz stills gives Black a -1.55 24 ♟d2 ♟xg5 25 e5 ♟e8 26 ♟h3+ ♟b8 27 e6 fxe6 28 dxe6 ♟g1 (28 ... ♟d6) 29 ♟xg1 ♟xg1 30 ♟d7 ♟e3+ To get to g5, but better would have been Bxh2, then Bf4+ and Bg5. 31 ♟d1 ♟g5 32 ♟xg7 c6 33 ♟a4 ♟e7 34 ♟g8+ ♟e8 (Black might still play for the

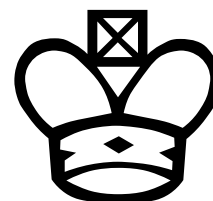
win with Kc7; now we head to opposite colored bishops and a draw.) 35 ♟xe8+ ♟xe8 36 ♟c5 ♟c7 37 ♟e2 ♟e7 38 ♟e4 c5 39 ♟e3 h6 40 ♟f4 ♟c6 41 ♟f2 ♟d6 42 ♟e4+ ♟xe4 43 ♟xe4 h5 44 b3 b5 45 a4 bxa4 (45 ... c4!) 46 bxa4 a5 47 ♟f5 h4 48 h3 ♟f6 49 ♟d3 ♟d5 50 ♟e4+ ♟xe6 51 ♟c4 ♟d6 52 ♟f5 ♟g5 53 ♟g4 ♟d2 54 ♟f3 ♟b4 55 ♟g4 ♟e5 56 ♟c8 ♟e4 57 ♟g4 ♟e3 58 ♟d7 ♟d2 1/2

Kline, Les (1634) - Nickels, Erik (1698) Stillwater Fall Open 2012-10-07 (B08 Pirc, Classical (Two Knights) System)

1 d4 ♟f6 2 ♟f3 g6 3 ♟c3 ♟g7 4 e4 d6 5 ♟e3 O-O 6 ♟d2 ♟bd7 We've taken to calling this the "150 Attack" after Summerscale and Johnsen, A Killer Chess Opening Repertoire, 2010. 7 ♟h6 e5 8 ♟xg7 ♟xg7 9 O-O-O ♟e8 (9 ... ♟e7 is better 10 h4 h5 11 ♟g5 +/- Summerscale and Johnsen) 10 ♟c4 (10 ♟e2!?) 10 ... exd4 11 ♟xd4 ♟c5



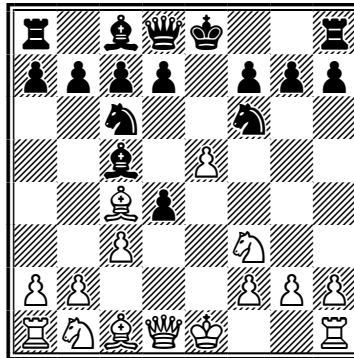
(11 ... ♟e7 might still keep Black in the game) 12 e5 ♟fd7 13 exd6+ (13 e6+!) 13 ... ♟g8 14 ♟f4 (14 dxc7!) 14 ... ♟f6 15 ♟xf6 ♟xf6 16 dxc7 ♟g4 17 ♟he1 ♟xe1 18 ♟xe1 ♟xf3 19 gxf3 ♟f8 20 b4 ♟cd7 21 ♟b5 ♟e8 22 ♟d5 1-0 (22 ... a6 23 ♟xb7 axb5 24 ♟xa8 1-0 etc.)



Giuoco - Steinitz-Sveshnikov Variation

A good six game system for White, playable by anyone from patzer to grandmaster. Jude Acers featured it in his book "The Italian Gambit." Compiled by Bill Orton.

1 e4 e5 2 ♘f3 ♘c6 3 ♙c4 ♙c5 4 c3 ♘f6 5 d4 exd4 6 e5



6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

... ♙d5 ♖f2 ♖g3! ♙b2 ♗c2 ♙e4 +/- 1: Koralek - Audap, 1989
 ♘e4 ♘f2 dxc3 cxb2 0-0 d6

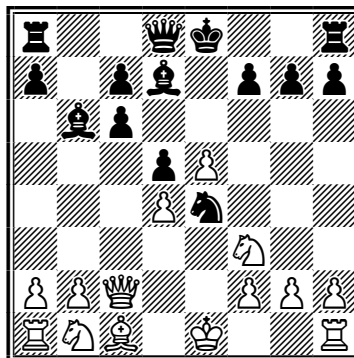
... ♙f7! ♘g5+ ♗xg4 +/- 2: Tangelder - Brockmans, 1995
 ♘g4 ♖f7 ♖e8

... 0-0 cxd4 d5 ♘a3 ♙e3 ♗f3 +/- 3: Morphy - Cunningham, 1859
 ♗e7 ♘g8 ♙b6 ♗c5 ♘d4 ♘f3+

... ♙b5 cxd4 ♙d2 ♘bx2 ♙xc6 0-0 +/- 4: Anderssen - Harrwitz, 1848
 d5 ♘e4 ♙b5+ ♙xd2 0-0 bxc6

... ♘bx2 ♙xc6 0-0 a3 ♗xd2 ♗xd4 +/- 5: Eichborn - Anderssen, 1851
 ♘xd2 0-0 bxc6 c5 ♙xd2 cxd4

... ... a4!? ♙xc6 ♗c2 ♘c3 dxc5 ♙e3 +/- 6: Arensburg - Dorpat, 1853-54
 ♙b6 a5 bxc6 ♙b7 c5 ♘c5



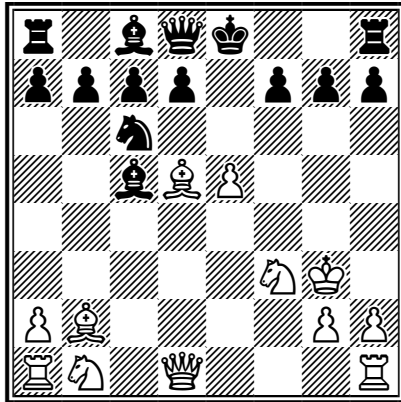
Illustrative Games

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Koralek - Audap, 1989

(C54 Giuoco Piano, Ghulam Kassim V)

1 e4 e5 2 ♘f3 ♘c6 3 d4 exd4 4 ♙c4 ♙c5
5 c3 ♘f6 6 e5 ♘e4 7 ♙d5 ♘xf2 8 ♚xf2
dxc3+ 9 ♚g3 cxb2 10 ♙xb2

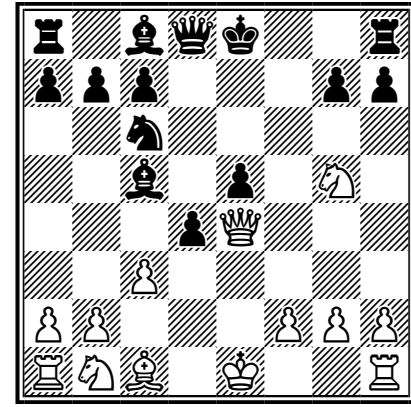


10 ... O-O (10 ... h5? 11 ♙xf7+) 11 ♚c2 d6
12 ♙e4 h6 13 ♘bd2 ♙b6 14 ♙xc6 bxc6
15 ♘c4 ♙c5 16 ♚d2 ♙e6 17 ♘e3 d5
18 ♙d4 ♙e7 19 h4 g6 20 ♘g4 ♙xg4
21 ♚xg4 f5+ 22 exf6 ♙xf6 23 ♚xh6 ♚d7+
24 ♚g3 ♚d6+ 25 ♚h3 ♙xd4 26 ♘xd4 ♚f4
27 ♘f3 ♚f7 28 ♚e3 ♚e7 29 ♚g5 ♚g7
30 ♚ae1 ♚e4 31 ♚xe4 dxe4 32 ♚e5+ ♚xe5
33 ♘xe5 c5 34 ♚c1 e3 35 ♚xc5 e2
36 ♚xc7+ ♚f6 37 ♘f3 1-0

2

Tangelder, Yonne - Brockmans, Aline
Sao Lourenco WYCF-U12g (1) 1995
(C54 Giuoco Piano)

1 e4 e5 2 ♘f3 ♘c6 3 ♙c4 ♙c5 4 c3 ♘f6
5 d4 exd4 6 e5 ♘g4 7 ♙xf7+ ♚xf7 8 ♘g5+
♚e8 9 ♚xg4 d6 10 ♚e4 dxe5



11 ♘xh7 This puts him away. 11 ... ♙e7
12 ♚g6+ ♚d7 13 ♚xg7 ♚g8 14 ♘f6+ ♚e6
15 ♘xg8 ♙f8 16 ♚g6+ ♚d7 17 O-O b6
18 ♘f6+ ♚e6 19 ♙g5 ♙e7 20 ♘g8+ ♚d7
21 ♘xe7 ♘xe7 22 ♙xe7 ♚xe7 23 ♚e4 c6
24 cxd4 ♙a6 25 ♚e1 ♚g8 26 ♚xe5 ♚e8
27 ♚f5+ ♚d6 28 ♚xe7 ♚xe7 29 ♚f6+ ♚e6
30 ♚d8# 1-0

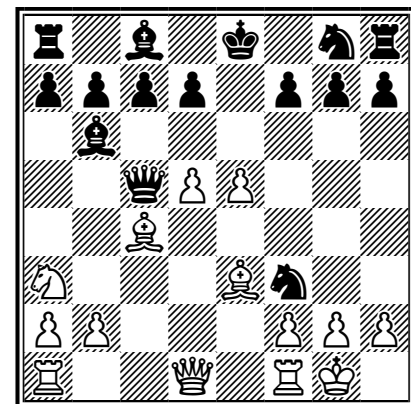
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Morphy, P - Cunningham

London (1) 1859

(C54 Giuoco Piano)

1 e4 e5 2 ♙c4 ♙c5 3 c3 ♘c6 4 ♘f3 ♘f6
5 d4 exd4 6 e5 ♚e7 7 O-O ♘g8 8 cxd4 ♙b6
9 d5 ♚c5 10 ♘a3 ♘d4 11 ♙e3 ♘xf3+



12 ♚xf3 +-

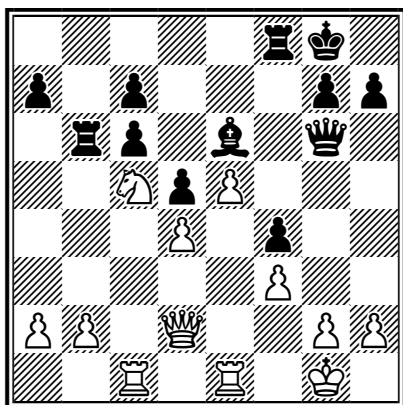
Center plus development equals won game.

12 ... ♚f8 13 ♙xb6 axb6 14 ♘b5 ♚d8
15 ♚ac1 d6 16 exd6 cxd6 17 ♚e3 ♚a6
18 ♘c7 ♚e7 19 ♘e6+ fxe6 20 ♙xa6 ♙d7
21 ♙b5 ♚e8 22 dxe6 ♘f6 23 ♚c8+ 1-0

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Anderssen,A - Harrwitz,D
Breslau m (1) 1848
(C54 Giuoco Piano, Anderssen V)

1 e4 e5 2 ♘f3 ♘c6 3 d4 exd4 4 ♙c4 ♙c5
5 c3 ♘f6 6 e5 d5 7 ♙b5 ♘e4 8 cxd4 ♙b4+
9 ♙d2 ♙xd2+ 10 ♘bxd2 O-O 11 ♙xc6 bxc6
12 O-O f5 13 ♖c1 ♗e8 14 ♗c2 ♖b8 15 ♘b3
16 ♖b6 17 ♘fd2 ♗h5 18 ♘f3 ♘xd2 19 ♗xd2 f4
20 ♘c5 ♗g6 21 ♖fe1 ♙e6



21 ♖c3

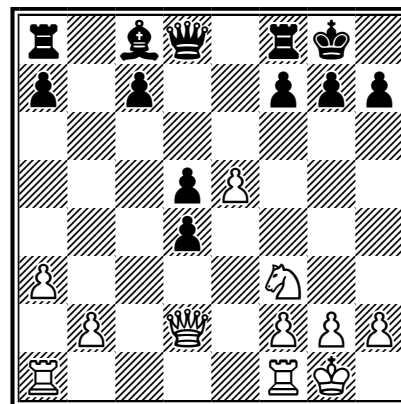
Finding a winning plan - play against the a-pawn.

21 ... ♗e8 22 ♖a3 ♙f5 23 b3 a6 24 ♖xa6
25 ♖xa6 ♗c8 26 ♘c5 ♙e6 27 a4 g5
28 a5 ♖e8 29 a6 ♗b8 30 ♖a1 ♗a7 31 ♗b4
32 ♗b7 ♗b6 33 a7 ♗xb7 34 ♘xb7 ♖a8
35 ♘d8+ ♗e7 36 ♘xe6 ♗xe6 37 b4 1-0

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Eichborn,Louis - Anderssen,Adolf
Breslau (1) 1851
(C54 Giuoco Piano, Anderssen V)

1 e4 e5 2 ♘f3 ♘c6 3 ♙c4 ♙c5 4 c3 ♘f6
5 d4 exd4 6 e5 d5 7 ♙b5 ♘e4 8 cxd4 ♙b4+
9 ♙d2 ♘xd2 10 ♘bxd2 O-O 11 ♙xc6 bxc6
12 O-O c5 13 a3 ♙xd2 14 ♗xd2 cxd4



15 ♗xd4

White has achieved the blockade on the black squares.

15 ... ♖b8 16 b4 ♖b6 17 ♖ad1 ♙b7 18 ♖c1
19 ♖e8 20 ♖c3 ♖e7 21 ♘h4 a6 22 ♖g3 f6
23 f4 ♖d7 24 ♖e1 ♖e6 25 ♖ge3 ♗f7
26 ♘f3 g6 27 exf6 ♖xe3 28 ♘g5+ ♗g8
29 ♖xe3 1-0

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City of Arensburg - City of Dorpat
Correspondence 1853-54
(C54 Giuoco Piano)

1 e4 e5 2 ♘f3 ♘c6 3 ♙c4 ♙c5 4 c3 ♘f6 5 d4
exd4 6 e5 d5 7 ♙b5 ♘e4 8 ♙xc6+ bxc6 9 cxd4
10 ♙b6 11 ♗c2 ♙b7 12 a4 a5 13 ♘c3 c5 14 dxc5
15 ♘xc5 (13 ... ♙xc5? 14 ♘xe4 dxe4 15 ♗xc5 exf3
16 ♗b5+ +-) 16 ♙e3 ♘d7
(14 ... ♘e6!?) 17 ♙xb6 cxb6 (15 ... ♘xb6
16 ♘b5 and Rc1) 18 O-O O-O 19 ♖ad1 ♘c5
20 ♖d2 ♖c8 21 ♗d1 ♗e8 22 ♖d4 ♖d8 23 ♖e1
24 ♗c6 25 ♖h4 ♗g6 26 ♘d4 f5 27 f4 ♘e6
28 ♘cb5 ♘xd4 29 ♗xd4 ♗e6 30 ♖d1 ♖b8
31 ♘d6 ♙c6 32 ♖c1 1-0

For a pgn file of SS Giuoco games, see
[http://www.ozarkia.net/chess/pgn/GiuocoSS-
best.pgn](http://www.ozarkia.net/chess/pgn/GiuocoSS-best.pgn)