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Metro Club Respini Tournament

The 2008 Respini had 38 players grouped into 4 all-play-all divisions. The 'A' division was FIDE rated as it has been since 2004.

'A' Yita Choong and Marc Vliestra dominated this division finishing on 7/8 a massive 2.5 points ahead of Michael Kueh and Gordon Dunlop in 3rd with 4.5/8. Yita defeated Marc with a nice combination that is shown on page 4.

'B' An extremely well matched division resulted in only 4 points separating the 10 players. In first place with only 6/9 were Mike McGregor and Wally Lubtschenko. Mike produced a very instructive example of the power of a dominating King in the endgame (on page 4).

'C' Dieter Benken came 1st with 6.5/8, just half a point ahead of Evan Yeung and Ben Motu who were 2.5 points clear of 4th placed Lucien Koch. Evan may have finished 1st if he had not fallen to an early combination by Dieter (on page 4).

'D' Trevor Allsop and Tony Lofthouse achieved equal 1st with 7/9. Trevor had been expected to win this division outright after recent results gave him a 1276! rating. However, an unexpected dangerous attack by Daniel O'Brien saw Trevor mated in just 16 moves.

Thanks to Peter Roza for providing the initial organisation and to Garry Taylor for taking over when Peter had to withdraw due to illness.

Mike McGregor kindly arranged for the games to go onto the Metro Club website <http://www.metrochessclub.org.au/>

Coming Events

January 14th	Wed	Perth Club Resumes
January 15th	Thu	Metro Club Resumes
January 28th	Wed	Perth Club Championship
February 5th	Thu	Metro Club Championship
March 4th	Wed	Perth Rated Tournament 90min flagfall
March 18th	Wed	Perth Club Lightning Championship



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Metro Respini

A Division

Rank	Forename	Surname	ACF Rating	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Score	Place
1	Peter	ROZA	1903	W/D											
2	Marc	VLIETSTRA	1922			1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	7	1st=
3	Michael	KUEH	2010		0		1	0.5	1	0	0.5	1	0.5	4.5	3rd=
4	Leon	TAYLOR	1915		0	0		0.5	0.5	0	0.5	1	1	3.5	6th
5	Richard	LILLY	1800		0	0.5	0.5		0	0	1	1	1	4	5th
6	Gordon	DUNLOP	1889		0	0	0.5	1		1	0.5	1	0.5	4.5	3rd=
7	Yita	CHOONG	1969		1	1	1	1	0		1	1	1	7	1st=
8	Robert	BAUMGARTNER	1744		0	0.5	0.5	0	0.5	0		1	0	2.5	7th
9	Ray	JOHNSTONE	1758		0	0	0	0	0	0	0		1	1	9th
10	Mohammad	JAHANGIRIAN	1673		0	0.5	0	0	0.5	0	1	0		2	8th

B Division

Rank	Forename	Surname	ACF Rating	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Score	Place
1	Wally	LUBTSCHENKO	1603		1	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	6	1st=
2	Mike	McGREGOR	1592	0		0	1	0.5	0.5	1	1	1	1	6	1st=
3	Chris	CUELLAR	1556	1	1		1	0	0.5	0	1	0.5	0	5	5th=
4	Wallace	SHERIDAN	1538	1	0	0		1	0	0	1	1	1	5	5th=
5	Kelvin	TAYLOR	1530	0	0.5	1	0		1	1	1	1	0	5.5	3rd=
6	Melvyn	LINTERN	1501	0	0.5	0.5	1	0		0.5	0	0.5	0	3	8th=
7	Robert	PILGRIM	1474	1	0	1	1	0	0.5		0	0.5	0	4	7th
8	Alex	DeHEER	1447	0	0	0	0	0	1	1		0	0	2	10th
9	Andrew	ARNOLD	1446	0	0	0.5	0	0	0.5	0.5	1		0.5	3	8th=
10	Doug	McLEAN	1413	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	0.5		5.5	3rd=



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C Division

Rank	Forename	Surname	ACF Rating	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Score	Place
1	Robert	Leeson	1355	W/D											
2	Dieter	BENKEN	1312			1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0.5	6.5	1st
3	Kelvin	RABEY	1306		0		1	0	0	1	0.5	0	0.5	3	6th=
4	Lucien	KOCH	1264		0	0		1	0	0.5	0	1	1	3.5	5th
5	Vic	SMYTH	1237		0	1	0		0	0	0.5	0	0.5	2	9th
6	Evan	YEUNG	1222		0	1	1	1		1	1	0.5f	0.5	6	3rd=
7	Bernard	LAUGERY	1198		0	0	0.5	1	0		0	0.5	1	3	6th=
8	Garry	TAYLOR	1176		0	0.5	1	0.5	0	1		0	0	3	6th=
9	Ben	MOTU	1173		1	1	0	1	0.5f	0.5f	1		1	6	3rd=
10	David	SHANNON	1145		0.5	0.5	0	0.5	0.5	0	1	0		3	6th=

D Division

Rank	Forename	Surname	ACF Rating	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Score	Place
1	Donald	LEINSTER-MACKAY	1073		0	0	1	1	1	1	0	0f	0	4	6th=
2	Tony	LOFTHOUSE	1055	1		1	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	7	1st=
3	Ron	BAILYE	1050	1	0		1	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	8th
4	Thomas	DOHERTY	945	0	0	0		0	0	1	1	0	0	2	10th
5	Philip	SAVORY	934	0	1	1	1		0	0.5	1	0	1f	5.5	4th
6	Bryan	HOWARD	893	0	0	1	1	1		1	1	0	1	6	3rd
7	Daniel	O'BRIEN	808	0	0	0	0	0.5	0		0	1	1f	2.5	9th
8	Ben	BAILEY	729	1	0	1	0	0	0	1		0	1	5	5th
9	Trevor	ALLSOPP	unr	1f	1	1	1	1	1	0	1		0	7	1st=
10	Chris	CURTIS	unr	1	0	1	1	0f	0	0f	0	1		4	6th=



Metro Respini Positions

'A' Division

Yita and Marc finished well clear in equal 1st position, however, in their clash Yita produced a winning combination.

Choong, Yita - Vlietstra, Marc

29. Bxf6+ Kxf6 30. Qe6+ Kg7 31. Qxe7+ Kg8 32. Rxh8+ Kxh8 33. Rh1+ Kg8 34. Qh7+ 1-0



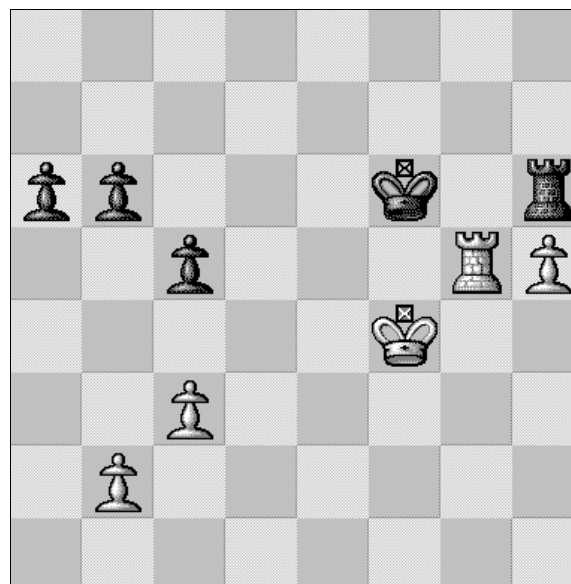
'B' Division

Mike McGregor managed to finish equal 1st thanks partly to winning this drawish looking endgame.

McGregor, Mike - DeHeer, Alex

44. Rg6+ Rxg6 45. hxg6 Kxg6 46. Ke5 and with the dominating King Mike wins blacks pawns and the game.

Whether black captures white's g-pawn on move 46 or later, it seems that black's position is doomed due to white's King turning around his 2 v 3 pawn deficit!



'C' Division

The following quick victory by Dieter against rival Evan was significant in helping him achieve 1st place.

Benken, Dieter - Yeung, Evan

1. e4 c6 2. Nc3 d5 3. Nf3 dxe4 4. Nxe4 Bf5 5. Ng3 Bg6 6. h4 h6 7. Ne5 Bh7 8. Qh5 g6 9. Bc4 e6 10. Qe2 Nf6 (Diagram) 11. Nxf7 1-0



2008 FISCHER RANDOM ALLEGRO TOURNAMENT

Name	ACF Rating	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	Total	Place
1. Yita Choong	1969	■				1	1		1							3	1 st =
2. Marc VLIETSTRA	1922		■			0				1		1				2	3 rd =
3. Leon TAYLOR	1915			■				1	1		1					3	1 st =
4. Albert CHIN	1893				■			0			1	1				2	3 rd =
5. Richard LILLY	1800	0	1			■							1			2	3 rd =
6. Bob PILGRIM (R SHAW)	1474	0					■						1	1		2	3 rd =
7. Alex DeHEER	1447			0	1			■							1	2	3 rd =
8. Kelvin RABEY	1306	0		0					■					0		0	13 th =
9. Evan YEUNG	1222		0							■	0				1	1	8 th =
10. Garry TAYLOR (M JAHANGIRIAN)	1176			0	0					1	■					1	8 th =
11. Tony LOFTHOUSE	1055		0		0							■			1	1	8 th =
12. Tom Doherty	945					0	0						■	1		1	8 th =
13. Daniel O'Brien	808						0		1				0	■		1	8 th =
14. Matt Rabey	unr							0		0		0			■	0	13 th =

On the last evening before the Club Christmas party, a novelty tournament was arranged.

Unfortunately due to a manual draw being necessary, random allocation of pieces and some basic rules being advised to the participants only three rounds were completed.

After the first round Bob Pilgrim and Garry Taylor withdrew to allow Robin and Mohammad to play. Although insufficient games were played to completely separate the field, most players thoroughly enjoyed the challenge of improvisation during each game.

For those interested, the random selection for each round was as follows:

Round 1 B B R K N N Q R

Round 2 R K N B B R Q N

Round 3 R K Q N N R B B

Metro Christmas Lightning Doubles

After Kelvin Taylor and Andrew Arnold presented trophies and prizes for the tournaments held throughout the year, food and drinks was served and then the lightning doubles tournament began.

The 15 teams competed in a six round swiss tournament with the winners decided in the match between the Leon Taylor / John Moritz team and the Marc Vlietstra / George Carolin-Unkovich team. In the endgame Leon made an illegal move but before George could claim this Marc had moved, so play progressed until Marc blundered a Rook to give Leon and John 1st place. Young George was amused by his partners errors!





Fixed Opening Tournament

For each round players had two games (30 mins each player per game) with a set opening against the same opponent - one game with white and the other game with black.

The results in the cross table below are based on the score over the two games (2 wins or 1 win and 1 draw = 1 point). However, for players on the same score the results of all games were used to determine placings and this method determined that Natalie finished first.

Martin Curtis organised the openings for each round and chose interesting lines where one side sacrificed a pawn in order to gain some form of compensation, such as a lead in development.

Round 1: 1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. Nf3 c5 4. d5 b5

Round 2: 1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. Bc4 Nf6 4. Ng5 d5 5. exd5 b5

Round 3: 1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 g6 3. Nc3 Bg7 4. e4 d6 5. f3 O-O 6. Be3 c5 7. dxc5 dxc5 8. Qxd8 Rxd8 9. Bxc5 Nc6

Round 4: 1. c4 Nf6 2. Nc3 e6 3. e4 c5 4. e5 Ng8 5. Nf3 Nc6 6. d4 cxd4 7. Nxd4 Nxe5

Round 5: 1. d4 f5 2. e4 fxe4 3. Nc3 Nf6 4. f3 exf3 5. Nxf3 e6

Round 6: 1. e4 c5 2. d4 cxd4 3. c3 dxc3 4. Nxc3 Nc6 5. Nf3 d6 6. Bc4 a6 7. O-O Nf6

Round 7: 1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. d4 exd4 4. c3 dxc3 5. Nxc3 Nf6 6. Bc4 d6

No	Name	Loc	Total	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.	Maris, Robert	1934	5.5	8:D	10:D	4:W	6:W	3:D	2:W	5:W
2.	List, Ross	1740	4	9:W	5:D	7:W	3:D	4:-	1:L	14:W
3.	Maris, Natalie A	1738	5.5	10:W	6:W	5:W	2:D	1:D	7:W	4:D
4.	Curtis, Martin	1691	4.5	11:W	7:D	1:L	9:W	2:+	6:D	3:D
5.	Wolstencroft, Alan	1654	3.5	12:W	2:D	3:L	11:D	8:D	10:W	1:L
6.	Maris, Fred A	1581	3.5	13:W	3:L	11:W	1:L	9:W	4:D	8:L
7.	Smith, Jonathan	1532	3.5	14:W	4:D	2:L	8:D	12:W	3:L	13:D
8.	Klimczak, Joe	1408	4.5	1:D	9:L	10:W	7:D	5:D	13:W	6:W
9.	Markou, Victor	1338	3.5	2:L	8:W	12:W	4:L	6:L	14:W	11:D
10.	Harris-Brown, Lee	1300	2	3:L	1:D	8:L	13:W	14:D	5:L	12:L
11.	Brooke, John	1267	3.5	4:L	14:W	6:L	5:D	13:W	12:D	9:D
12.	Meyer, Jacques	1202	3.5	5:L	13:W	9:L	14:W	7:L	11:D	10:W
13.	Scheidler, Hermann	943	1	6:L	12:L	14:D	10:L	11:L	8:L	7:D
14.	Sussmayer, Gus		1	7:L	11:L	13:D	12:L	10:D	9:L	2:L





Perth Club AGM

At the Perth Chess Club AGM Wolfgang Leonhardt declined to continue as President after many years of great service to the club. Wolfgang's contributions as President have been much appreciated by the members and happily we shall continue to enjoy his company at the club.

Martin Daniels has kindly agreed to take on the role of President, whilst John Brooke, Norbert Muller, and Joe Klimczak will continue to provide most of the organisation for the club.

Handicap Tournament

The players had 30 minutes for each round plus / minus 1 minute for every 100 rating points difference between the opponents (organised by Norbert and Joe).

This was a very well supported tournament and the time handicap resulted in many close games with plenty of players scoring more than some of the higher rated players.

No	Name	Loc	Total	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	Maris, Natalie A	1738	6	10:W	21:W	11:W	17:W	6:D	5:W	2:D
2	List, Ross	1740	5	8:W	18:W	6:D	13:L	3:W	11:W	1:D
3	Nairn, Mike	1578	5	7:W	11:L	22:W	9:W	2:L	6:W	10:W
4	Patron, Andrzej	1626	5	20:W	6:L	8:L	21:W	9:W	13:W	11:W
5	Tomic, Nedeljko	1828	5	12:L	15:W	14:W	18:W	13:W	1:L	7:W
6	Maris, Robert	1934	4.5	14:W	4:W	2:D	11:D	1:D	3:L	13:W
7	Harris-Brown, Lee	1000	4	3:L	9:L	0:W	14:W	18:W	12:W	5:L
8	Muller, Norbert	1402	4	2:L	19:W	4:W	12:L	16:W	10:L	20:W
9	Klimczak, Joe	1408	4	11:L	7:W	16:W	3:L	4:L	21:W	15:W
10	Walker, Colin	1352	4	1:L	13:L	15:W	22:W	14:W	8:W	3:L
11	Leonhardt, Wolfgang	1797	3.5	9:W	3:W	1:L	6:D	12:W	2:L	4:L
12	Mechlowski, L	1495	3.5	5:W	16:D	17:L	8:W	11:L	7:L	19:W
13	Maris, Fred A	1581	3	21:L	10:W	23:W	2:W	5:L	4:L	6:L
14	Smith, Jonathan	1532	3	6:L	20:W	5:L	7:L	10:L	23:+	21:W
15	Markou, Victor	1338	3	16:D	5:L	10:L	23:W	19:D	18:W	9:L
16	Curtis, Martin	1691	3	15:D	12:D	9:L	19:W	8:L	20:D	18:D
17	Wolstencroft, Alan	1654	3	19:W	23:W	12:W	1:L	0:	0:	0:
18	Whitehead, Paul	1576	2.5	22:W	2:L	21:W	5:L	7:L	15:L	16:D
19	Brooke, John	1267	2.5	17:L	8:L	20:W	16:L	15:D	22:W	12:L
20	Meyer, Jacques	1202	2.5	4:L	14:L	19:L	24:W	22:W	16:D	8:L
21	Frankland, David M	1141	2	13:W	1:L	18:L	4:L	23:+	9:L	14:L
22	Scheidler, Hermann	943	1.5	18:L	0:W	3:L	10:L	20:L	19:L	23:D
23	Sussmayer, Gus	942	1.5	0:W	17:L	13:L	15:L	21:-	14:-	22:D
24	Daniels, Martin H	1695	0	0:	0:	0:	20:L	0:	0:	0:



DECEMBER 2008 ACF RATINGS FOR WA PLAYERS

Rank	Rating	Games	Name	Rank	Rating	Games	Name
1	2275!!	9	Boyd, Tristan	46	1695?	0	Daniels, Martin H
2	2174!!	6	Horstmann, Michael	47	1689!	6	Elkington, Derek
3	2141!	0	Wilkins, Michael	48	1686!!	6	Maris, Natalie A
4	2125!!	15	Kurniawan, Stephanus	49	1681!!	17	Johnstone, Ray
5	2092!!	9	Barber, Haydn J [FM]	50	1666!	4	Patron, Andrzej
6	2091?	0	Hay, Trevor	51	1654	0	Wolstencroft, Alan
7	2058!!	17	Choong, Yita	52	1618!	0	Bwalya, Ricky
8	2052!	0	Lakner, Jay	53	1612!!	15	Cuellar, Chris
9	2048!	0	Donaldson, Thomas	54	1600!	14	Sam, Ryan
10	2033	6	Konovalov, Eugeni	55	1592!	0	Mcgregor, Mike
11	2019	0	Partis, Michael T	56	1588!	0	Massey, Reg
12	2013!!	15	Hare, Tim	57	1576	0	Whitehead, Paul
13	2010!!	23	Vlietstra, Marc	58	1566	0	Gilmetdinov, Edik
14	1997!!	0	Hardegen, Andrew	59	1561!	0	Mcmahon, Denis
15	1964!	8	Kueh, Michael	60	1543!!	0	Taylor, Kelvin
16	1946!	6	Kuklinski, Andrew	61	1541!!	5	Sheridan, Wallace
17	1943!!	7	Maris, Robert	62	1536!	0	Lubtschenko, Wally
18	1917!	9	Seah, Eddy	63	1520??	0	Brand, Drew
19	1908!!	15	Ellis, David	64	1518!	0	Reynolds, Paul J
20	1899	0	Haselgrove, Miles	65	1512!!	14	Booth, Guy
21	1880!!	2	Roza, Peter	66	1503!	0	Jones, Naison
22	1875!	0	Khan, Nazim	67	1495?	0	Mechlowski, L
22	1875!!	17	Dunlop, Gordon	68	1489	4	Smith, Jonathan
24	1872!!	8	Lilly, Richard	69	1488	10	Orssengo, Girma
25	1844?	0	Stepanovic, Srdja	70	1482!!	5	Deheer, Alex
26	1841!!	0	Fedec, John	71	1478!!	8	Pavlovic, Michael
27	1834!	0	Wang, Zhengbo	72	1447!	8	Boni, Christopher
28	1833!!	9	Viswanath, Ganesh	73	1445!	0	Lintern, Melvyn
29	1831!	9	Taylor, Leon M	74	1438?	0	Taylor, Paul
30	1830!!	7	Leonhardt, Wolfgang	74	1438	0	Sticklen, Damien
31	1804!	0	Rados, Petar	74	1438!!	0	Arnold, Andrew
32	1799!!	9	Holland, Dennis	77	1430!!	0	Pilgrim, Robert E
33	1792!!	7	List, Ross	77	1430?	0	Buckley, Andrew
34	1789!	15	Dempster, Dave	79	1428	0	Kort, Rik
35	1772!!	6	Dix, Peter	80	1421	0	Slack-Smith, Blair
36	1754!!	19	Tomic, Nedeljko	81	1408!	0	Klimczak, Joe
37	1753!	0	Galvin, Robert	82	1402	0	Ottsohffski, Edward
38	1747?	0	Rufin, Joel	82	1402!	0	Muller, Norbert
39	1746!	0	Saxon, Marc	84	1394?	0	Reichard, Sven
39	1746!!	8	Baumgartner, Robert	85	1388?	0	Nie, Edwin
41	1717?	0	Lee, John L	86	1381	0	Balaji, Shyam
42	1712!!	5	Shaw, Robin A	87	1366!!	8	Benken, Dieter
43	1706!!	7	Janceski, Alex	88	1363??	0	Young, Phil
44	1705!	7	Curtis, Martin	89	1356!	4	Markou, Victor
45	1701!!	16	Jahangirian, Mohammad	90	1355!	0	Leeson, Robert



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Rank	Rating	Games	Name
91	1353!	0	Donaldson, Gary
92	1345!	0	McClean, Doug
93	1342!!	15	Yeung, Evan
94	1331!!	4	Walker, Colin
95	1319!	0	Prunty, Jon
96	1317	0	Arnold, Matthew
97	1302!	0	Wood, Mark
98	1298?	0	Vlietstra, Seth
99	1292	6	Curtis, Christopher
100	1291	13	Harris-Brown, Lee
101	1278!!	7	Motu, Ben
101	1278!	0	Sainsbury, Gerard
103	1276!	8	Allsop, Trevor
104	1263!	4	Brooke, John
105	1244!	8	Saroha, Chirag
106	1226	0	White, Alan
107	1223!!	8	Rabey, Kelvin
108	1219!!	8	Smyth, Vic A
109	1212!!	8	Koch, Lucien
110	1204	6	Meyer, Jacques
111	1196	0	Oliver, Patrick
112	1191!	0	Mcquilkin, Graeme
113	1188!!	15	Laugery, Bernard A
114	1185	0	Gilleran, Sean
115	1176?	0	Watkins, Lucian
116	1175	7	Williams, Veronica
117	1171	0	Filose, Anthony
118	1168	0	Williams, Verity
119	1167!	8	Taylor, Garry G
120	1164	0	Bannan, Tony
121	1160!	5	Frankland, David M
122	1158!	8	Shannon, David
123	1154?	0	Pepper, Dane
124	1151!!	9	Lofthouse, Tony
125	1144!	5	Thurtell, Darby
126	1132!	8	Vahala, Karel
127	1129!	0	Moritz, John
128	1057!!	8	Leinster-Mackay, Don
129	1051	7	Williams, William
130	1048!	0	Zylstra, Peter
131	1031	0	Hunt, Stewart
131	1031?	0	Ilmenstein, Horst
133	1019!!	12	Savory, Philip
134	1017?	0	Brown, Amy
135	1008!!	9	Bailye, Ron
136	983!!	9	Doherty, Tom

Rank	Rating	Games	Name
137	980!!	9	Howard, Bryan
138	964	6	Scheidler, Hermann
139	961?	0	Williams, Rudy
140	953!	8	Carolin-Unkovich, George
140	953?	0	De Vries, Hugh
142	946	6	Aikawa, Yuta
143	884?	0	Edland, Benjamin
144	845	0	Thomas, Caleb
145	791!!	8	O'brien, Daniel P
146	784?	5	Sussmayer, Gus
147	783!	8	Bailey, Ben
148	452?	0	Brown, James
149	123??	0	Wood, Tayla
	Unr	0	Acquah, Kobina
	3g	0	Anastasovski, Nikola
	Unr	0	Carbins, Thomas
	4g	0	Chan, Adam
	Unr	0	Cohen-Cooke, Sam
	3g	0	Djatkiko, Chris
	6g	0	Everett, Chris
	Unr	0	Greenberger, Vaughan
	3g	0	Gumbo, Tongoona
	Unr	0	Hargrave, James
	4g	0	Koh, Paddy
	1g	0	Lim, Shihe
	3g	0	Misailovic, Steve
	Unr	0	Peters, Lewis
	Unr	0	Punzet, Michael
	Unr	3	Rebello, Charlton
	Unr	5	Savory, Andrew
	1g	0	Stepanovic, Nemonja
	Unr	0	Stevens-Tran, Benjamin
	1g	0	Tynas, Adam
	Unr	0	Wallace, Jeremy
	3g	0	Wu, James

Tournament Included

- Metro Club Respini 'A' Division
- Metro Club Respini 'C' Division
- Metro Club Respini 'D' Division
- Perth Club BRR 'A' Division
- Perth Club BRR 'B' Division
- Perth Club BRR 'C' Division
- WA State Championship
- Willetton Open

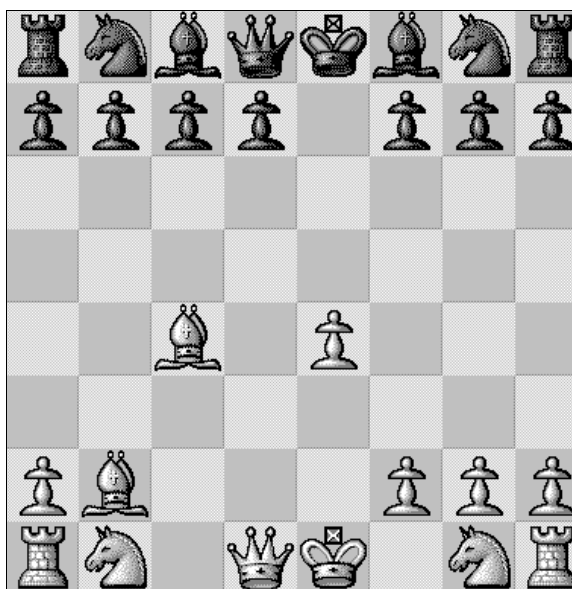


Today's Puzzle

"Modern ideas in the chess openings" by I.A. Horowitz.

The following game played 100 years ago shows that great entertaining games do not age. The mighty Lasker was defeated in the Danish Gambit, where white sacrificed two pawns for rapid development and dangerous bishops in an open position.

1. e4 e5 2. d4 exd4 3. c3 dxc3 4. Bc4 cxb2 5. Bxb2 (Diagram Top right) Nf6 6. e5 Bb4+ 7. Nc3 Qe7 8. Ne2 Ne4 9. O-O Nxc3 10. Bxc3 Bxc3 11. Nxc3 O-O 12. Nd5 Qxe5 13. Re1 Qd6 14. Qh5 c6 15. Nc7 g6 16. Qh6 Qxc7 (Lower Left Diagram) 17. Bxf7+ Kxf7 18. Qxh7+ Kf6 19. Qh4+ Kg7 20. Re7+ Rf7 21. Qd4+ Kf8 (Lower Right Diagram - white to play and mate in three)



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Solution to Today's Puzzle

22. Qh8+ Kxe7 23. Re1+ Kd6 24. Qe5#