

~ En Passant ~

Newsletter of the North Penn Chess Club of Lansdale, Fall 2012 Part 1

Olin Mastin, Editor

North Penn Chess Club

500 West Main Street

Lansdale, PA 19446

www.northpennchessclub.org

(215) 699-8418 donfunk@msn.com

NPCC 4TH Annual Touch-Move Blitz Championship Results:

Won by Joe Mucerino (2065 Quick) with a score of 10 out of a possible 12. Sachin Singhal (2076 Quick) came in 2nd with 9½.

Will Moyer (1589 Quick) and Rich Briggs (1538 Quick) tied for top in lower half with 4 points each.

Games were played on August 24, 2012 with 12 participants.



Will Moyer vs. Joe Mucerino



Sachin Singhal vs. Eric Funk



Rich Briggs vs. Gary Stevens



Don Funk vs. George Murphy

Most of the remainder of this newsletter will be devoted to the NPCC 2012 Membership Drive Tournament played from September 7 to October 5 on successive Fridays. However, the first game to be shown is from the 1996 Membership Drive. That year we had 35 players divided into two sections. Directed by yours truly.

The following game is submitted by Will Moyer:

White: Gary Stevens (1491)

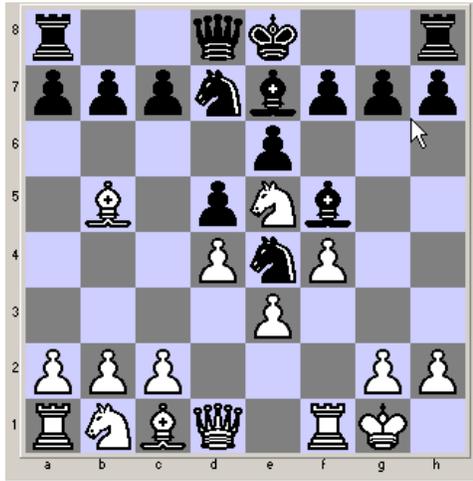
Black: Willard Moyer (1242)

Date: 09/27/1996

(Selected brief comments extracted from *Fritz*, [Shown in brackets thusly] and by Eric)

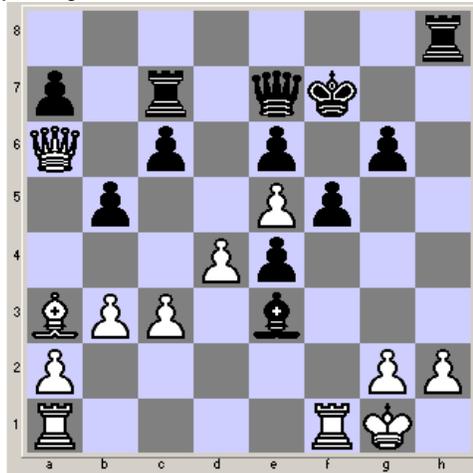
**1.d4 d5 2.f4 Nf6 3.e3 Bf5 4.Bd3 Ne4 5.Nf3 e6
6.0-0 Be7 7.Ne5 Nd7? [7...Nd6=] 8.Bb5?? [D]
(p.2)**

Position after 8. Bb5??:



[8.g4 White

missed this excellent chance 8...Bg6 9.f5 exf5 10.gxf5±] 8...c6 9.Be2 Nxe5 10.fxe5 h5 11.Nd2 Bg5 12.Nxe4 Bxe4 13.Bxh5?!(Black benefits more from the half open file than White does from winning a pawn) g6 14.Bf3 f5 15.Bxe4 dxe4 16.c3 Rc8 17.Qb3 Qe7 18.Qa4 b5 19.Qa6 Kf7 20.b3 Rc7 21.Ba3?? (White walks into a pretty mate!)[21.Bd2±] 21...Bxe3+ [D]



22.Kh1

Rxh2+!! 23.Kxh2 Qh4#

Well executed by Will. He was on his way up in 1996, as now in 2012 he plays in the near 1600 range! Will and Gary have been staunch speed chess rivals ever since. They can be seen punching the clock both before and after the official tournament games are played virtually every Friday evening. They literally close the place up every Friday!

The following games are from the 2012 Membership Drive:

Round: 1

(Submitted by Joe Mucerino)

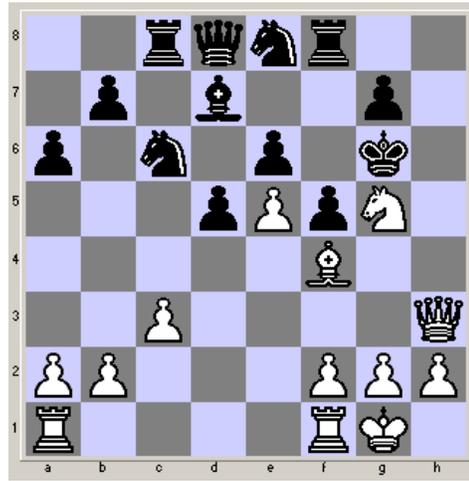
White: Joseph J Mucerino Jr (2148)

Black: George T Murphy (1432)

Date: 9/7/2012

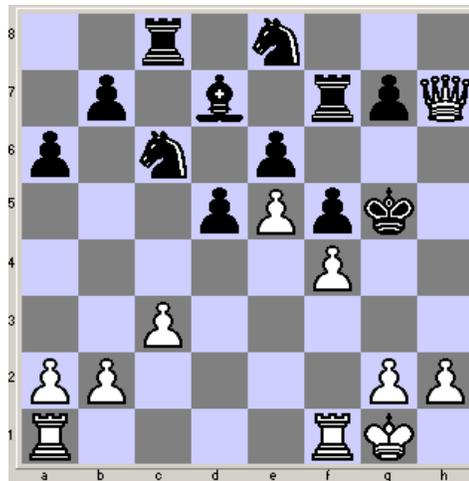
1. d4 Nf6 2. Nf3 d5 3. e3 c5 4. c3 Nc6 5. Bd3 cxd4 6. exd4 e6 7. Bf4 Bd6 8. Bg3 Qc7 9. Qe2 O-O 10. Ne5 Bd7 11. Nd2 Bxe5 12. dxe5 Ne8

Position after 19. Qh3:



13. Nf3

Qd8 14. O-O Rc8 15. Bf4 a6 16. Bxh7+ Kxh7 17. Ng5+ Kg6 18. Qd3+ f5 19. Qh3 [D] 19...Qxg5? Ends the game fast. (Crafty suggests: 19...Nxe5 20.Rae1 Nf6 21.Rxe5 Rc4 22.Bd2 Rh8 23.Qg3 Rg4 24.Qe3 d4 25.cxd4 Nd5 26.Rxe6+ Kh5 27.Qh3+ Rh4 28.Qxf5 Bxe6 29.Nxe6+ g5 30.Bxg5 Qf8 31.Ng7+ Qxg7 32.Bf4+ Qg5 33.Qxg5#) 20. Bxg5 Kxg5 21.Qh7 Rf7 22. f4+ [D]



(22...Kg4

23.Qh3#)1-0

Round: 2

(Submitted by Joe Mucerino)

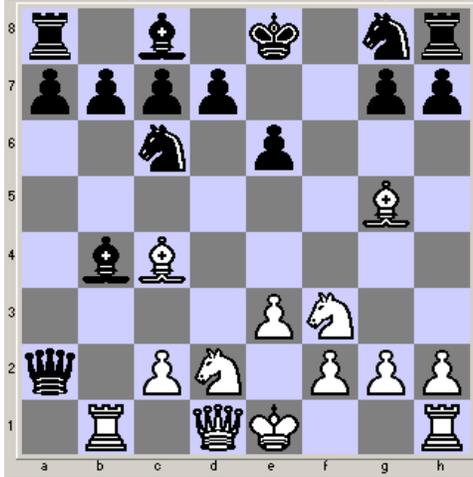
White: Joseph Kennedy(1652)

Black: Joseph J Mucerino Jr (2148)

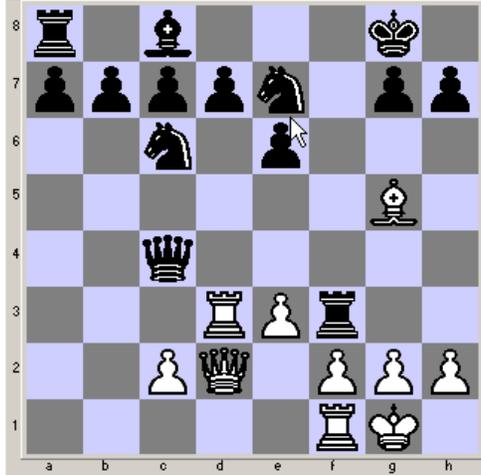
Date: 9/14/2012

1. d4 e5 2. dxe5 Nc6 3. Nf3 Qe7 4. Bg5 Qb4+ 5. Nbd2 Qxb2 6. e3 Bb4 7. e6 fxe6 8. Rb1 Qxa2 9. Bc4? [D] (p.3) (Crafty suggests: 9.Bd3 Nf6 10.Bxf6 gxf6 11.O-O Qa5 12.Nd4 Bxd2 13.Nb3 Qg5 14.Nxd2 Rg8 15.Be4) 9...Qxc4! 10. Rb3 Nge7 11. Rd3 O-O 12. O-O Bxd2 13. Qxd2 Rxf3! [D] (p.3) (Crafty: 14.gxf3 Ne5! 2.Kg2 Nxd3)14.Bxe7 Rf7 15. Ba3 d6 16. Qe2 Ne5 17. Rd2 Qxe2 18. Rxe2 b6 19. Bb2? Ba6! [D] (p.3)

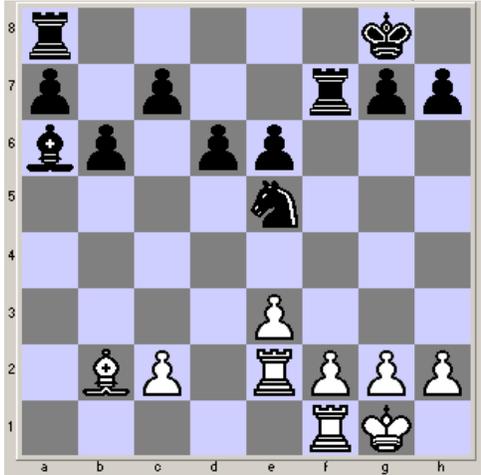
Position after 9.Bc4?: (from p.2)



Position after 13...Rxf3!: (from p.2)



Position after 19...Ba6!: (from p.2)



0-1

Round: 3

(Submitted by Joe Mucerino)

White: Joseph J Mucerino Jr (2148)

Black: Robert Kampia(1804)

Date: 09/21/2012

(Selected brief comments extracted from *Fritz*,
[Shown in brackets thusly])

1.d4 d5 2. Nf3 Nf6 3. e3 Bg4 4. c4 c6 5. Qb3

Qc7 6. Ne5 dxc4? [6...Be6 is the best option

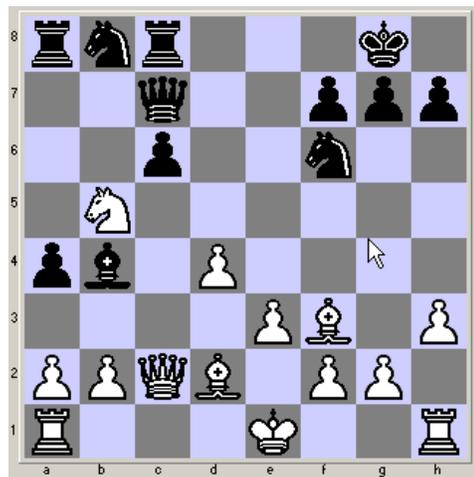
Black has] 7. Bxc4 e6 8.Nxg4 Nxg4 9. Bxe6! [D]

Position after 9.Bxe6!:



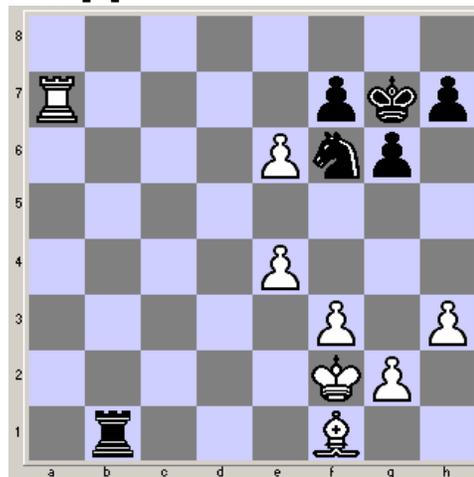
9...Nf6 10.

Bc4 b5 11. Be2 Bd6 12. h3 O-O 13. Bd2 a5 14.
Bf3 a4 15. Qc2 Rc8 16. Nc3 Bb4 17. Nxb5! [D]



17... Bxd2+

18.Qxd2 [Inferior is 18.Kxd2 Qa5+ 19.Nc3
Ra7] Qe7 19. Nc3 Nbd7 20. O-O Ra7 21. b3
axb3 22. axb3 Rac7 23. Ra2 Rd8 24. Qb2 Rb8
25. Qa3 Qxa3 26. Rxa3 c5 27.d5 c4 28. bxc4
Rxc4 29. Be2 Rcb4 30. f3 g6 31. e4 Kg7 32.
Rfa1 Nh5 33. Ra8 Rxa8 34. Rxa8 Nf4 35. Bf1
Rb2 36. Ra2 Rb3 37. Ne2 Nh5 38. Ra7 Nhf6
39. Nd4 Rb1 40.Kf2 Nc5 41. Ne6+ Nxe6 42.
dxe6 [D]



1-0

Round: 4

(Submitted by Joe Mucerino)

White: Douglas J Kern(1828)

Black: Joseph J Mucerino Jr (2148)

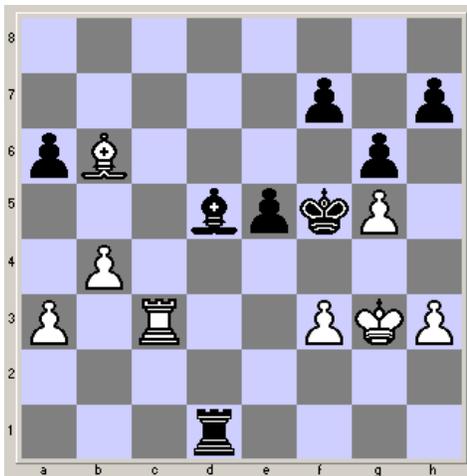
Date: 9/28/2012

(Selected brief comments extracted from *Fritz*,
[Shown in brackets thusly] and by Eric)

1. e4 d5 2. exd5 Nf6 3. Nf3 Nxd5 4. d4 Bg4 5.
Be2 e6 6. c4 Nb6 7. O-O Nc6 8.Be3 Be7 9. b3
O-O 10. Nbd2 Re8 11. h3 Bf5 12. a3 Bf6 13.
Nb1 Qd7 14. Nc3 Rad8 15. c5 Nd5 16. Nxd5
Qxd5 17. Bc4 Qd7 18. Bb5 a6 19. Ba4 b5 [D]

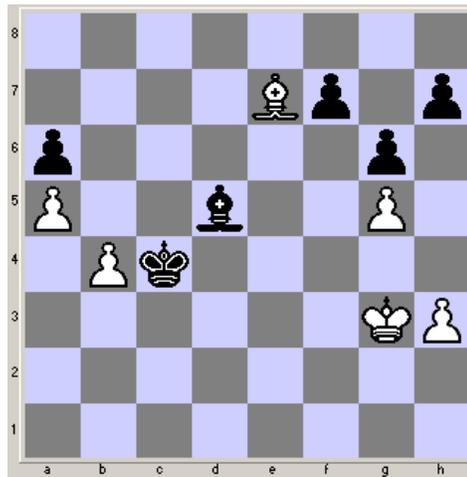


20. cxb6
{e.p.} cxb6 21. Bxc6 Qxc6 22. Qe2 Qc3 23. Qc4
Rc8 24. Qxc3 Rxc3 25. b4 Rec8 26. Rfc1 Kf8
27. Bd2 Rc2 28. Rxc2 Rxc2 29. Be3 Ke7 30. g4
Be4 31. Nd2 Bxd4 32. Bxd4 Rxd2 33. Bxb6 Rd3
34. Re1 Bd5 35. Re3 Rd1+ 36. Kh2 Kd7 37. Rc3
e5 38. f3 g6?! (A better try was 38... f6, intending
to follow up with 39... g6 and 40... f5 in order to
create a passed pawn.) 39. g5 (now a win for
Black is next to impossible) Ke6 40. Kg3 Kf5
[Black prepares e4 and threatens to win
material: Kf5xg5] [D]



41. Bd8
Rg1+ 42. Kf2 Rd1 43. Kg3 e4 44. fxe4+ Kxe4
45. Bf6 Rd3+ 46. Rxd3 Kxd3 47. a4 Kc4 48. Be7
Kb3 49. a5 Kc4 [D]

Position after 49...Kc4:



1/2-1/2

Round: 5

(Submitted by Joe Mucerino)

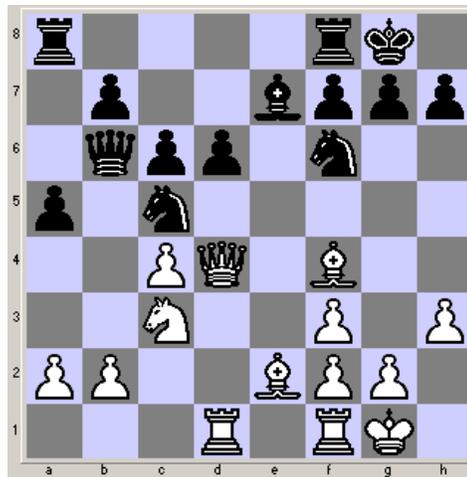
White: Joseph J Mucerino Jr (2148)

Black: Eric A Funk(2050)

Date: 10/5/2012

(Selected brief comments extracted from *Fritz*,
[Shown in brackets thusly])

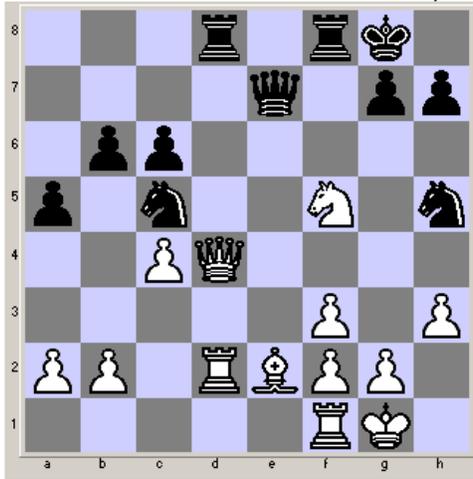
1. d4 d6 [Tartakower System and Modern
Defence] 2. Nf3 Bg4 3. c4 Nd7 4. Bf4 Ngf6 5. h3
Bxf3 6. exf3 e5 7. Bg5 exd4 8. Qxd4 Be7 9. Be2
O-O 10. O-O Nc5 11. Be3 a5 12. Nc3 c6 13.
Rad1 Qc7 14. Bf4 Qb6 15. Rd2 [D] [15...Qxb2?
doesn't work because of 16.Nd5 Qxd4 17.Nxe7+]



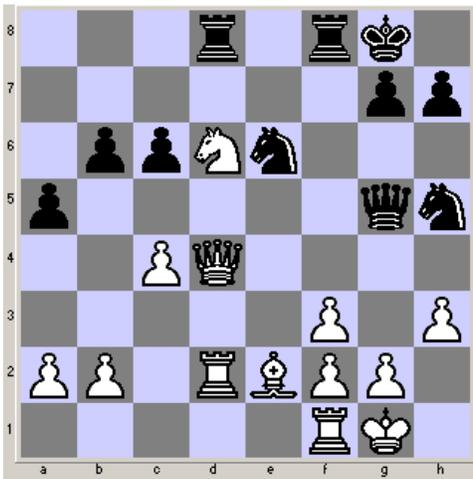
15...Nh5 16.

Be3 [16.Bxd6? fails because of 16...Bxd6 17.Ne4
Be7] 16...Rad8 17. Ne4 f5 18. Bg5 Qc7 [18...Bxg5
and Black can hope to survive 19.Nxg5 Qc7]
19. Bxe7 Qxe7 20. Nxd6 b6 21. Nxf5?? [D] (p.5)
[Allows the opponent back into the game:
21.Rfd1 Rfe8 22.Qe3 Qxe3 23.fxe3 Rxe3 24.Nxf5
Rxd2 25.Rxd2±] Qg5 22. Nd6 Ne6?? [D] (p.5) [A
transit from better to worse: 22...Rf6 23.Qe3
Qxe3 24.fxe3 Ng3] 23. Qg4 Qxd2 24. Qxe6+
Kh8[D] (p.5)

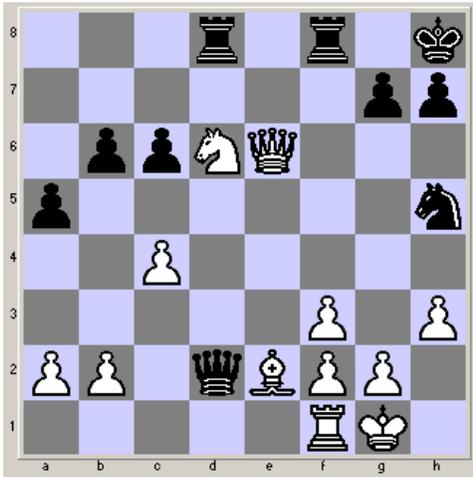
Position after 21.Nxf5??: (from p.4)



Position after 22...Ne6??: (from p.4)



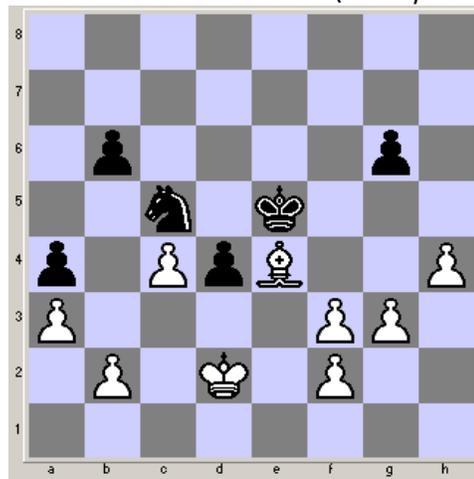
Position after 24...Kh8: (from p.4)



25.Rd1??

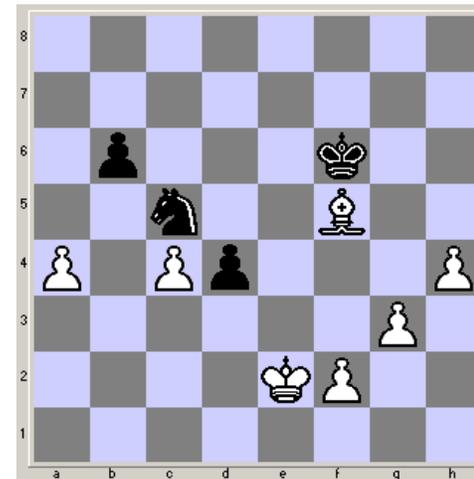
[White lets it slip away: 25.Nf7+ Rxf7 26.Qxf7 Qxe2 27.Qxh5 Qxc4 28.Qe5±] Qg5?? [25...Nf4 would be a reprieve, 26.Rxd2 Nxe6] 26. Nf7+ Rxf7 27.Rxd8+ Qxd8 28. Qxf7 Nf6 29. Qe6 c5 30. Qe3 Kg8 31. Bd3 Kf7 32. g3 Qd4 33. Qxd4 cxd4 34. a3 Nd7 35. Kf1 Nc5 36. Ke2 a4 37. Kd2 Kf6 38. Bxh7 g6 39. Bg8 Ke5 40.Bf7 Kf6 41. Be8 Kf5 42. h4 Kf6 43. Bc6 Kf5 44. Bd5 Ke5 45. Be4! [D]

Position after 45. Be4!: (from prev. col.)



45... Kf6 46.

Bb1 Kg7 [46...g5 doesn't change anything, 47.hxg5+ Kxg5 48.f4+ Kf6 49.Bc2] 47. Ba2 Kf6 48. Kc2 Ke5 49. b4 axb3+ {e.p.} 50. Bxb3 Kf6 51. Ba2 Ke5 52. Kd2 Kf5 53.Bb1+ Kf6 54. Bc2 [54.f4 keeps an even firmer grip 54...Kg7] Kf7 55. a4 Kf6 56. Bd1 Ke5 57. Ke2 Kf5 58. Bc2+ Kf6 59. f4 Kf7 60. f5 gxf5 61. Bxf5 Kf6 [D]



[61...Nxa4

62.Kd3] 62. Bc2 1-0

Round: 2

(Submitted by Olin Mastin with my comments)

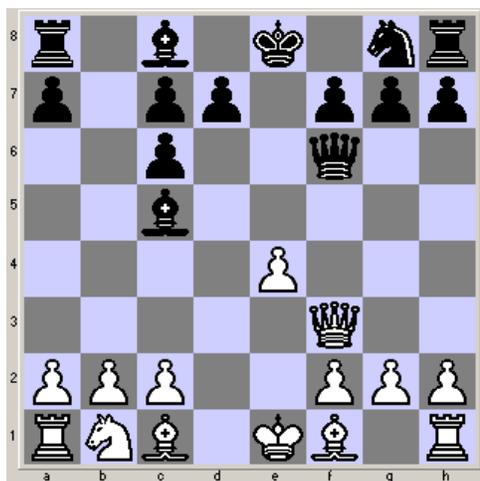
White: Olin Mastin (1533)

Black: Eric Funk (2059)

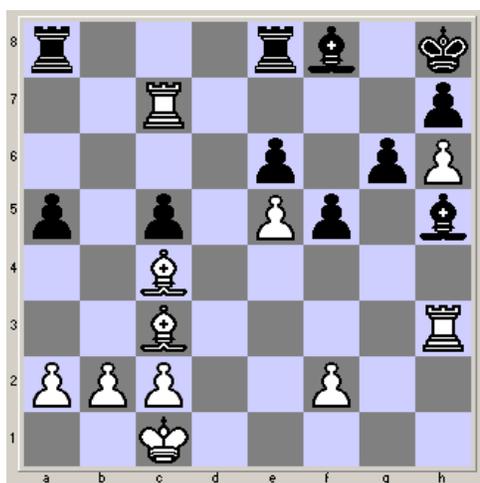
Date: 9/14/2012

1.e4 Nc6 2.Nf3 e5 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Bc5 5.Nxc6 Qf6 6.Qf3 bxc6 [D] (p.6) 7.Bd3 Qxf3 8.gxf3 Ne7 9.Nc3 Ng6 10.Be3 Bd6 11.O-O-O O-O 12.h4 Nf4 13.h5 a5 14.h6 g6 15.Bd4 f6 16.Bc4+ Kh8 17.Ne2 Ne6 18.Bc3 Bc5 19.e5 f5 20.Nd4 Re8 21.Rhe1 Bf8 22.Rh1 Bb7 23.Nxe6 dxe6 24.Rd7 c5 25.Rxc7 Bxf3 26.Rh3 Bh5 [D] (p.6) 27.Rd3 Bxh6+ 28.Bd2 Bxd2+ 29.Rxd2 g5 30.Rdd7 Bg6 31.Rxc5 f4 32.Bd3 Bxd3 33.cxd3 Rac8 34.Rcc7 Rxc7+ 35.Rxc7 h5 36.Kd2 h4 37.Ke2 g4 38.Kf1 f3 [D] (p.6)

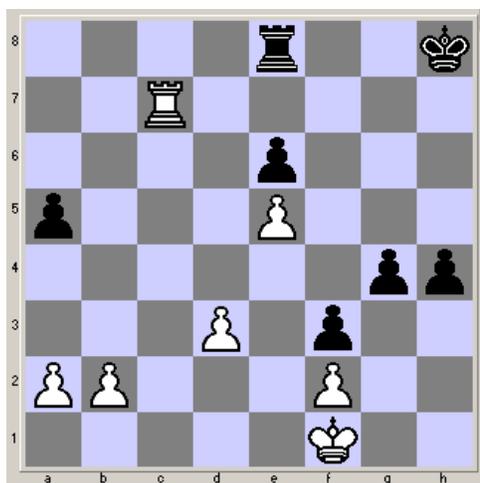
Position after 6...bxc6: (from p.5)



Position after 26...Bh5: (from p.5)



Position after 38...f3: (from p.5)



39.Rd7?? (I

think Rc4 would have been good here) Rc8!

40.Ke1? (Kg8 better try) 40...h3 0-1

More games from the Membership Drive, as well as other games will be published in Part 2 of the Fall Newsletter.

Other places to play chess:

All of the below are for friendly off hand non-rated games (clocks optional). Bring chess set.

Wednesday evenings 7:30 to 10:00 PM at the Covenant Presbyterian PCA Church located off Sumneytown Pike (Route 63) about a mile west of Harleysville. Turn left if travelling west onto Covenant Lane. **Temporally suspended**, but will resume at a future date to be announced. For more info, you may contact Jonathan English at startreck@gmail.com.

Tuesday mornings 9:30 AM to Noon at the Pennridge Community Senior Center in Silverdale. Located on route 113 near route 152 across the street from the John Deere dealer. <http://www.pennridgecenter.org>.

Monday evenings about 6:00 to 10:00 PM, "House of Coffee", (formally Saxby's) 22 North Main Street, Doylestown.

Also in Doylestown: First Saturday Chess is played outdoors in Historical Society Park, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., June through September. October is omitted. November and winter months it is played in the Historical Society Barn Meeting Room in the back of Historical Society Park. For more information call 215-345-4140.

Allentown Center City Chess Club Offer (from Eric C. Johnson): "For any of our events -- if three or more Lansdale players carpool together -- the driver plays for free!"

Tournament Schedule

DATES	ROUNDS	EVENT	COMMENTS
11/2/12	1 of 3 *	November	One 1/2 point bye permitted round 1 or 2. Must play round 3 to be eligible for prize money
11/9/12	2 of 3 *	Octagonal	
11/16/12	3 of 3 *	3 Round Swiss in 8-man sections 40/90;SD/30 EF: \$10/\$15	
11/23/12		Closed for Thanksgiving Holiday	

More to be printed. Keep checking in. Thanks. You may also check the website: www.northpennchessclub.org

* **NOTE:** All rounds begin at 8 PM. Arrive 7:45 1st Round!