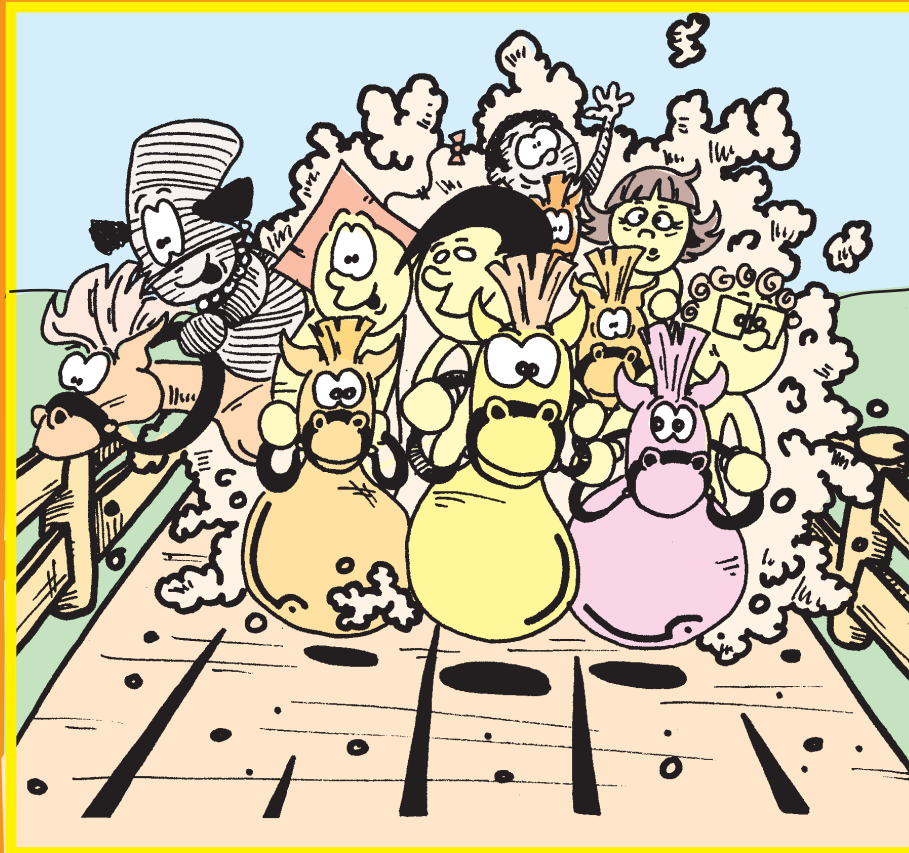


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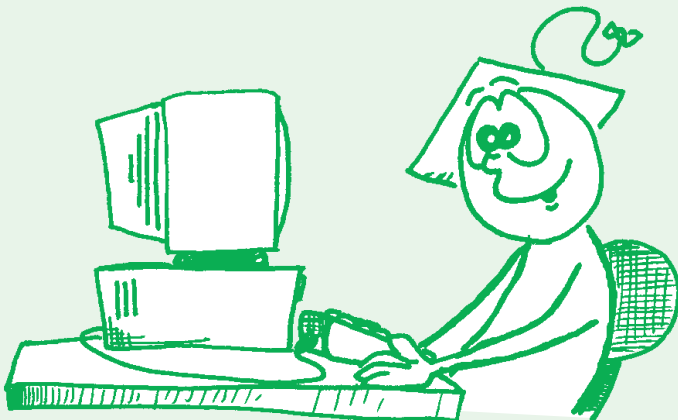
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Spring has arrived, and you know what that means. It's time for a barbecue! And time for the provincials of the Canadian Chess Challenge too.

Newfoundland, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, P.E.I., and B.C. have already had their tournaments. See page 15 for a list of the winners.

Congratulations to Richard Wang of Edmonton. The national under 14 champion recently won the Alberta Closed Championship, and earned the FM title (FIDE Master). Way to go, Richard!

I hope you like the mag,

Kiril

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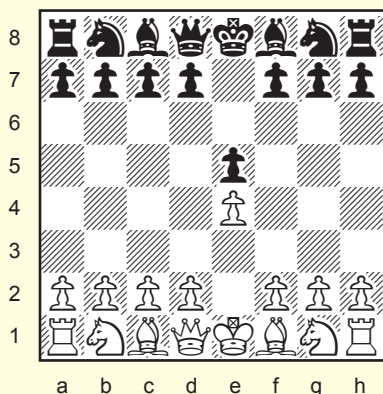
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HOW TO READ A CHESS GAME

It's easy. The board has 8 files and 8 ranks. Files are the rows of squares that go up and down. Each one is named by a small letter. Ranks are rows that go sideways. Each one is named by a number.

Every square also has a name. The first part is its file and the second part is its rank. In this diagram, a white pawn moved to e4 and a black pawn to e5.



Here are some special symbols:

+	check
#	checkmate
e. p.	en passant
O - O	castles kingside
O - O - O	castles queenside
1 - 0	white wins
0 - 1	black wins
½ - ½	draw
!	excellent move
?	mistake
!?	cool move
?!	weird (weak) move

When moves are written down, the first capital letter shows the piece which moves. **Q** is queen. **B** is bishop. **R** is rook. **N** is used for knight because the king is **K**. If there is no capital letter, that means a pawn moves.

Next is the square that the piece moves to. **Bc4** says that a bishop moves to the square c4. When a piece is captured, an **x** is put before the square. **Qxf7** means a queen takes on f7.

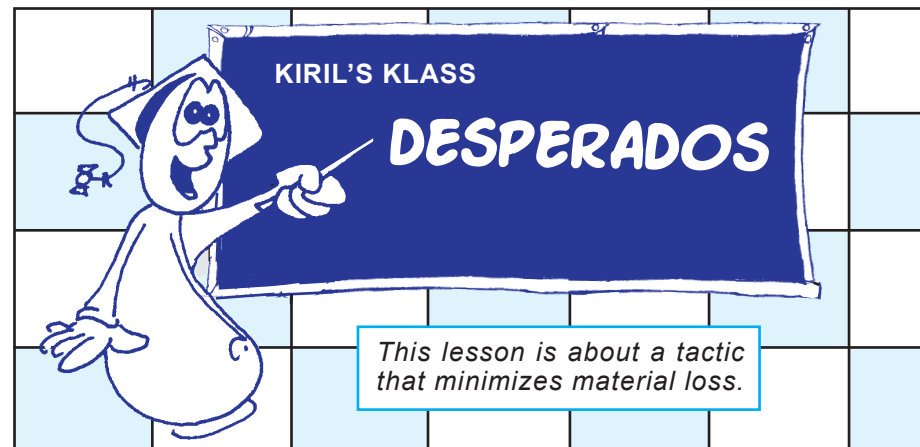
If a pawn captures, the letter of the file it starts on is given first, then an **x** followed by the square it takes on. **exd5** says a pawn on the e-file captures on the square d5.

When two pieces of the same kind can go to the same spot, another letter is put after the piece to show what file it came from. **Rae1** tells us that a rook on the a-file moves to e1.

The game below is written in **algebraic notation**. Kiril was new to chess and fell into an old trap called **Scholar's Mate**!

	ROCKY	KIRIL
1.	e4	e5
2.	Qh5	d6
3.	Bc4	Nf6?
4.	Qxf7 #	

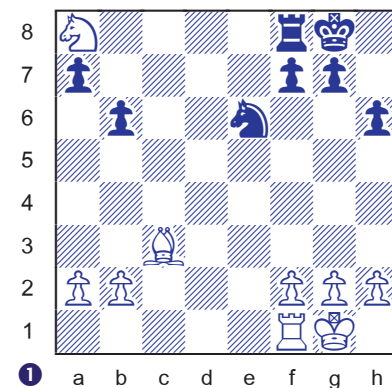
Oh no! Kiril got mated in just four moves. That was no fun!



The word 'desperado' means *someone who is desperate*. In the Old West, a desperado was an outlaw who would do anything to escape from people trying to catch him.

In chess, a *desperado* is a piece that is going to be lost. But instead of losing it for nothing, you use it to take anything you can. Even a pawn is better than nothing.

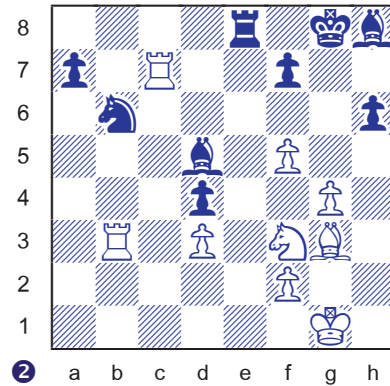
The white knight in diagram #1 is trapped in the corner and is about to be captured by the black rook. This makes him a desperado. **1.Nxb6!** gives up the knight but leaves white with an extra pawn. (1...axb6 2.Rd1)



In example #2, White is ahead the exchange, but is forked by the black bishop at d5. There is no way to avoid the loss of material.

1.Rb1 Bxf3 is good for Black and 1.Nd2? loses to 1...Re1+! 2.Nf1 Bxb3 (not 2.Kh2? Rh1#).

But White can save the day with a desperado. **1.Rxb6!** gets a knight for the rook. After **1...axb6** (1...Bxf3? 2.Rb1!) **2.Kg2**, the position is equal. (2.Nd2? Re1+ 3.Nf1 Bf3! causes trouble for White.)



White has a similar problem in diagram #3. The knight and bishop are forked by the rook.

Defending by 1.Bd1 loses the bishop to the pin 1...Rc1.

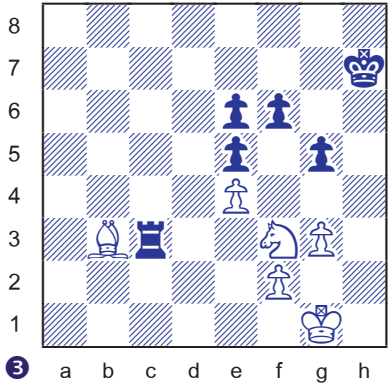
No better is 1.Nd2, because 1...Rd3! "reforks" the pieces.

So either the knight or the bishop will be lost. This is the signal to look for a desperado!

1.Bxe6 Rxf3 and 1.Nxe5 Rxb3 would each get White one pawn.

But the best line is **1.Nxg5+! fxc5** 2.Bxe6, which gets two pawns for the knight. And two is even better than one!

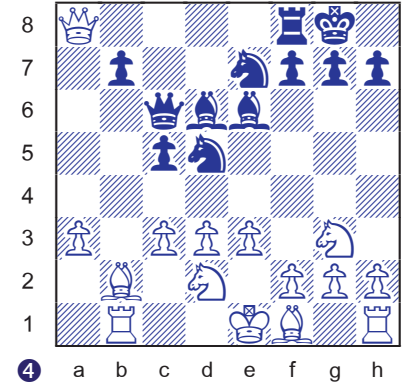
With all of the pawns on one side of the board, and a bishop and a pawn for the rook, White should be able to draw easily.



In example #4, the white queen entered the black camp to capture a rook on a8, but she got trapped. So now she becomes a desperado.

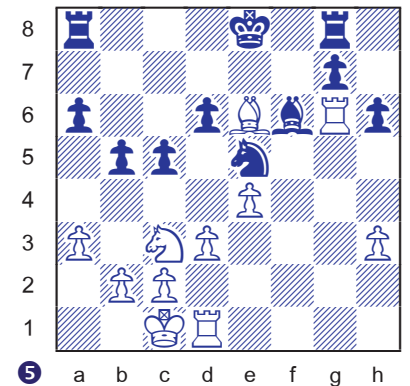
After **1.Qxf8+! Kxf8**, White has two rooks and two pawns for a queen, which is a large advantage.

If the white queen tries to run instead, she will have to give herself up for a minor piece. 1.Qa7 Bb8! 2.Qa8 (2.Qa5 b6!) 2...Nc7 3.Qxb8 [3.Qa5? b6!] 3...Rxb8 or 1.Qa5 b6! 2.Qa7 (2.Qa6 Nc7) 2...Nc8 3.Qa6 Nc7.



Let's look next at ways to win material with desperados. The typical situation is when both players have a piece under attack. Position #5 is a good example. Each side has a rook threatened.

Nothing is gained by 1.Bxg8 Nxg6, which is just a trade of rooks. But White can first take something with their own rook before taking the black rook. **1.Rxf6! gxf6** 2.Bxg8. White is up a bishop.



In diagram #6, both of the queens are “hanging”, and the position would be equal after 1.Rxd6 Rxe4.

Since the white queen is about to be taken, she turns into a desperado. **1.Qxe8!** is the winning shot. If 1...Rxe8 2.Rxd6, white is up a rook.

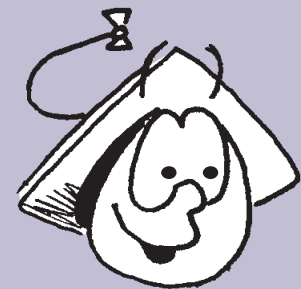
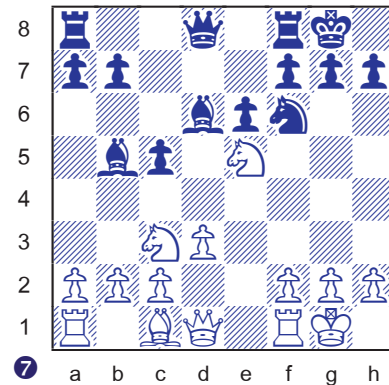
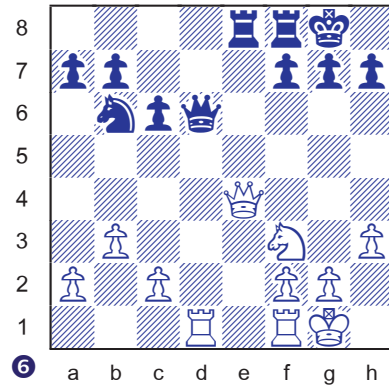
Be careful though. The black queen is also a desperado! **1...Qxd1!?**

Now the game is even following 2.Rxd1 Rxe8. But wait a second. It's the white queen's turn again! **2.Qxf8+!** is *check* and that brings all the fun to an end. **2...Kxf8** **3.Rxd1** and White is ahead a rook.

Our final diagram is a quiz for you. Both sides have a piece under attack again, the black bishop on b5 and the white knight on e5.

Do you see how White can win a pawn with a desperado? The answer is on page 47.

So long, partners!



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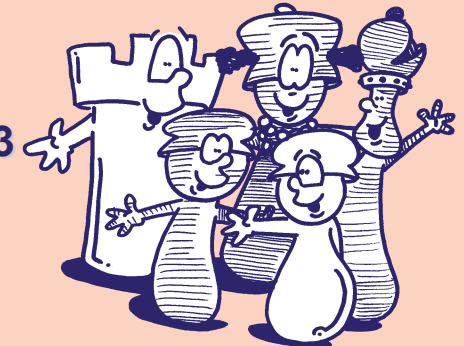
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3	LOCKE Sebastian	577	NL
4	BROWN Alexander	559	NS
5	CHEN Jacques	558	QC
6	SYDYKHANOV Arman	556	ON
7	SILLADOR Gabriel	547	AB
8	ANGULO-VALENCIA Mateo	523	QC
9	ISSANI Nameer	522	ON
10	LI Dylan	512	ON

GRADE 1

1	ZHAO Jonathan	1273	ON
2	HUANG Qiuyu	1127	QC
3	MO Aidan	1094	ON
4	KHANIN Nikita	943	QC
5	SUPERCEANU Andi	933	AB
6	WU Nicholas	839	ON
7	LAU Julian	837	AB
8	ENGLAND Max	824	ON
9	GUO Hazel	823	ON
10	WILKE Lukas	820	ON

GRADE 2

1	LIN Benjamin	1464	ON
2	ZHAO Ian	1198	AB
3	RODRIGUE-LEMIEUX Shawn	1173	QC
4	WASHIMKAR Arhant	1131	ON
5	KIM Daniel	1104	AB
6	LIU Robert	1072	QC
7	AKOPHYAN Nika	1060	ON
8	ZHENG Ethan	1025	ON
9	ZHANG Matt	1023	ON
10	MIRABELLI Aidan	986	ON

GRADE 3

1	WANG Kaixin	1621	AB
2	CHITRAKAR Siddhartha	1552	AB
3	LIN Kaining	1525	AB
4	GROSSMANN Lenard	1467	AB
5	LAI William	1437	QC
6	LIU Daniel	1411	ON
7	ZHANG Taylor	1402	ON
8	NORITSYN Sergey	1388	ON
9	WANG Frank	1371	ON
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GRADE 4

1	YAO David	1770	AB
2	FAN Run Kun	1600	QC
3	PARAPARAN Varshini	1584	ON
4	KANESHALINGAM Mathanhe	1555	ON
5	ZHANG Hou Han	1528	QC
6	ZHAO Yue Tong	1485	ON
7	DOKNJAS Joshua	1413	BC
8	HUANG Immanuel	1410	ON
9	BIRAROV Nicole	1394	ON
10	SEKAR Varun	1375	ON

GRADE 5

1	ZHANG Yuan Chen	1892	ON
2	BALENDRA Harigaran	1807	ON
3	WAN Kevin	1666	ON
4	MCCULLOUGH Ian	1650	AB
5	XU Jeffrey	1578	ON
6	SUN Benjamin	1572	QC
7	ZHANG Evan	1565	QC
8	ZOTKIN Daniel	1561	ON
9	LIU Dora	1498	ON
10	SAINE Zachary	1490	QC

GRADE 6

1	KASSAM Jamil	1905	AB
2	CAO Jason	1866	BC
3	BELLISSIMO Joseph	1811	ON
4	NIE Mark	1783	AB
5	KAISER Jakob	1732	AB
6	ZITA Matthew	1684	AB
7	MULIAWAN Lukas	1633	AB
8	WANG Kelly	1598	QC
9	CHEUNG Benedict	1596	ON
10	AGHAMALIAN Derick	1554	ON

GRADE 7

1	PREOTU Razvan	2262	ON
2	CHIKU-RATTE Olivier Kenta	2247	QC
3	KONG Dezhong	2048	BC
4	YU Zong Yang	2000	QC
5	ZHU HongRui	1989	QC
6	SONG Michael	1891	ON
7	HOFFNER Noah	1871	AB
8	DOKNJAS John	1852	BC
9	STANISLUS Allan	1771	AB
10	HUANG Zhonglin	1731	AB

GRADE 8

1	PENG Jackie	2133	ON
2	THANABALACHANDRAN Kajan	2130	ON
3	LIN Tony	1917	ON
4	YUN Chang	1876	QC
5	DORRANCE Adam	1857	NS
6	MCCULLOUGH David	1835	AB
7	PLOTKIN Mark	1800	ON
8	MANAILOIU Dragos	1668	QC
9	SITU Dennis	1654	AB
10	ZHANG Kevin Z.	1641	ON

GRADE 9

1	WANG Richard	2384	AB
2	SEMIANIUK Konstantin	2173	ON
3	KNOX Christopher	2168	ON
4	LUO Zhao Yang	2081	QC
5	LEPINE Cedric	1992	QC
6	WU Qi You	1976	QC
7	FU James	1858	ON
8	LO Ryan	1840	BC
9	LUDWIG Michael	1812	AB
10	WANG YueKai	1777	AB

GRADE 10

1	QIN Joey	2413	ON
2	SOHAL Tanraj	2209	BC
3	ZHANG Zhiyuan	2027	ON
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5	FLOREA Alexandru	2007	ON
6	VYRAVANATHAN Sobiga	1925	ON
7	LI Chang He	1854	BC
8	DENBOK Daniel	1814	ON
9	KALAYDINA Regina	1800	AB
10	GUO Forest M.	1772	QC

GRADE 11

1	KRAIOUCHKINE Nikita	2382	QC
2	ZHANG David	2285	AB
3	GUSEV Nikita	2256	ON
4	INIGO Aquino	2201	ON
5	MARINKOVIC Mate	2192	ON
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7	CVETKOVIC Simeon	2041	QC
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GRADE 12

1	SAPOZHNIKOV Roman	2528	ON
2	CALUGAR Arthur	2453	ON
3	JIANG Louie	2422	QC
4	KLEINMAN Michael	2381	ON
5	YUAN Yuanling	2339	ON
6	XIONG Jerry	2300	ON
7	KAMINSKI Thomas	2164	AB
8	WANG Jesse	2110	ON
9	TROTTIER Emile	1972	QC
10	PRYSIAZNY Michael	1962	ON

HONOUR ROLL

1	SAPOZHNIKOV Roman	2528	ON
2	CALUGAR Arthur	2453	ON
3	JIANG Louie	2422	QC
4	QIN Joey	2413	ON
5	WANG Richard	2384	AB
6	KRAIOUCHKINE Nikita	2382	QC
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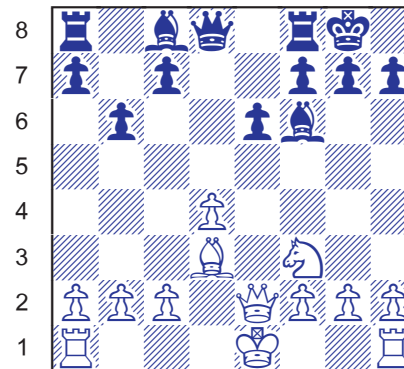
FIND THE DOUBLE ATTACK

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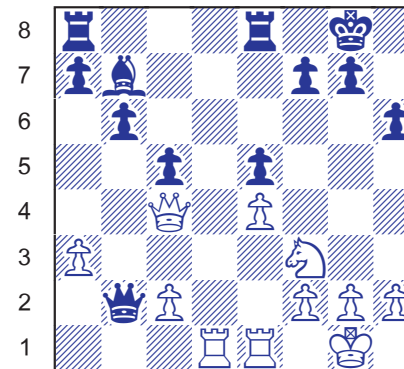


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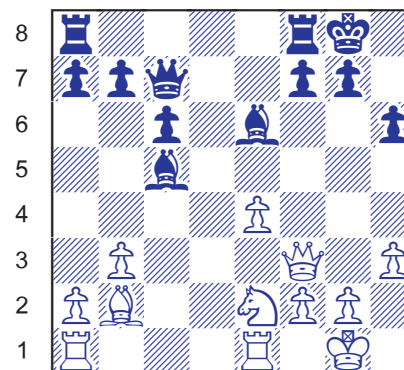
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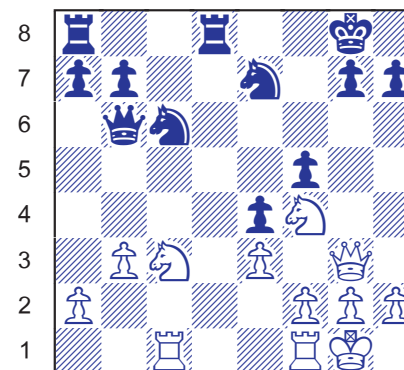
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CANADIAN CHESS CHALLENGE

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1989	Ottawa	Ontario has placed first 15 of the last 17 years. In other years, they were second 5 times and third 3 times (1991-1993).
1990	Ottawa	
1991	Montreal	
1992	Montreal	British Columbia has come in second place 5 times (1991-1993, 2000, 2011) and third 13 times (1990, 1994-99, 2001, 2005, 2007-10).
1993	Edmonton	
1994	St. John's	
1995	Toronto	Alberta has placed fourth 13 times and fifth 5 times (1994-96, 2005-06). They finished in third place in 2003, 2004, 2005, and 2011!
1996	Fredericton	
1997	Montreal	
1998	Winnipeg	Quebec has been team champion 8 times, including the first 6 years. They also won in 1997 and 2009. They came in second place 13 times. They were third in 2000 and fourth in 2011.
1999	Summerside	
2000	Calgary	
2001	Toronto	
2002	St. John's	
2003	Montreal	Manitoba was third in 2002 and 2006, fourth in 2003 and 2005, and fifth in 1990-91, 2001, 2004, and 2007-11.
2004	Winnipeg	
2005	Ottawa	
2006	Moncton	Saskatchewan was sixth in 1998 and 2011, and seventh in 1997, 2000, 2004.
2007	Quebec City	
2008	Edmonton	
2009	Toronto	Newfoundland has placed fourth 3 times (1994-1996) and fifth 3 times.
2010	Montreal	
2011	Victoria	



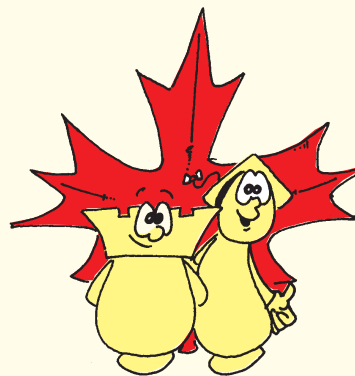
New Brunswick came fifth 4 times (1992, 1998-2000) and sixth 13 times. In 1989 they finished in third place!

Nova Scotia came in sixth place in 2005, 2007, and 2008. They were seventh 5 times.

Prince Edward Island had its finest moment in 1993 when they came in seventh place.

CANADIAN CHESS CHALLENGE

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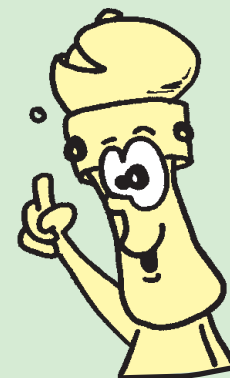
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Chess is officially recognized as a sport by the International Olympic Committee. It has been since 1999.

However, chess has never been included in the Olympic Games because "it does not require physical exertion". Many chess players would disagree with that claim, but they have not yet convinced the I.O.C.

The World Chess Federation holds an international team championship every two years called the Chess Olympiad. Each country has a team of four players, or five if they have a reserve. In 2010, 141 nations took part. Although the name is similar, this event is not connected to the Olympic Games.

The next Olympiad will be held in Istanbul, Turkey this August. The Canadian team is:

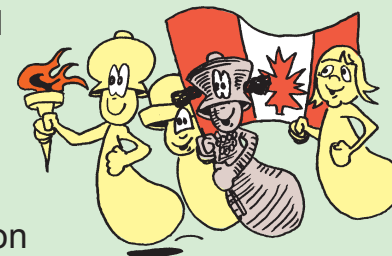
Bator Sambuev Montreal

Leonid Gerzhoy Toronto

Nikolay Noritsyn Toronto

Eric Hansen Calgary

Edward Porper Edmonton



The acronym for the World Chess Federation is **FIDE**, which stands for *Fédération Internationale des Échecs*, the French name of the organization. It is pronounced "fee-day".

ONTARIO TOP TEN

KINDERGARTEN

1	ATANASOVA Rada	586
2	SYDYKHANOV Arman	556
3	ISSANI Nameer	522
4	LI Dylan	512
5	FAHIMNIA Mahdi	495
6	RAJSIC Thomas	472
7	SONG Charlie	435
8	FENG Bonny	429
9	RADIN Andrew	421
10	HOROWITZ Eliyahu	414

GRADE 1

1	ZHAO Jonathan	1273
2	MO Aidan	1094
3	WU Nicholas	839
4	ENGLAND Max	824
5	GUO Hazel	823
6	WILKE Lukas	820
7	LI Harry	810
8	CARRIGAN Griffin	796
9	CHEN Hao	747
10	ZHANG Richard	727

GRADE 2

1	LIN Benjamin	1464
2	WASHIMKAR Arhant	1131
3	AKOPHYAN Nika	1060
4	ZHENG Ethan	1025
5	ZHANG Matt	1023
6	MIRABELLI Aidan	986
7	HE Maxwell	941
8	CHEN Michael	929
9	MALE PATHIRANAGE Thisandi	928
10	RAIZMAN Ruven	910

GRADE 3

1	LIU Daniel	1411
2	ZHANG Taylor	1402
3	NORITSYN Sergey	1388
4	WANG Frank	1371
5	RUAN Colin	1318
6	MANGALESWARAN Thakeshon	1291
7	HENRY Nadia	1252
8	MING Wenyang	1239
9	GUO Thomas	1233
10	LIU David	1224

GRADE 4

1	PARAPARAN Varshini	1584
2	KANESHALINGAM Mathanhe	1555
3	ZHAO Yue Tong	1485
4	HUANG Immanuel	1410
5	BIRAROV Nicole	1394
6	SEKAR Varun	1375
7	YIE Kevin	1355
8	IANSAVITCHOUS James	1326
9	HU Bill	1245
10	TRUONG Kyle	1206

GRADE 5

1	ZHANG Yuan Chen	1892
2	BALENDRA Harigaran	1807
3	WAN Kevin	1666
4	XU Jeffrey	1578
5	ZOTKIN Daniel	1561
6	LIU Dora	1498
7	WANG Constance	1473
8	WANG Dinny	1455
9	SHAMRONI Dennis	1452
10	CHEN George	1452

GRADE 6

1	BELLISSIMO Joseph	1811
2	CHEUNG Benedict	1596
3	AGHAMALIAN Derick	1554
4	ZHONG Joey	1546
5	SONG Eric	1442
6	WANG Eric	1421
7	WANG Michael	1380
8	MANGALESWARAN Mathuran	1364
9	THANABALACHANDRAN Luxiga	1354
10	ZHANG Jeff	1338

GRADE 7

1	PREOTU Razvan	2262
2	SONG Michael	1891
3	TERRY Joshua	1567
4	YE Hanyuan	1563
5	KUTTNER Simon	1546
6	LI Yinshi	1492
7	SIRKOVICH Daniel	1489
8	LI Michael	1471
9	MICHELASHVILI Aleksandre	1471
10	GIBLON Melissa	1462

GRADE 8

1	PENG Jackie	2133
2	THANABALACHANDRAN Kajan	2130
3	LIN Tony	1917
4	PLOTKIN Mark	1800
5	ZHANG Kevin Z.	1641
6	NASIR Zehn	1597
7	LI Robert	1515
8	ADRIANSE Adam	1484
9	YE Stephen	1468
10	TISMENKO Dennis	1461

GRADE 9

1	SEMIANIUK Konstantin	2173
2	KNOX Christopher	2168
3	FU James	1858
4	KALRA Agastya	1774
5	POSARATNANATHAN Juliaan	1716
6	HUANG Jayson	1558
7	QIAN Owen	1527
8	MCKEN Christopher	1505
9	DUNNE Francesco	1464
10	GIBLON Rebecca	1463

GRADE 10

1	QIN Joey	2413
2	ZHANG Zhiyuan	2027
3	LEU Richard	2014
4	FLOREA Alexandru	2007
5	VYRAVANATHAN Sobiga	1925
6	DENBOK Daniel	1814
7	CAI Tony	1683
8	MYERS Joshua	1550
9	SU Stanley	1535
10	CHAN Alex	1482

GRADE 11

1	GUSEV Nikita	2256
2	INIGO Aquino	2201
3	MARINKOVIC Mate	2192
4	ITKIN David	2177
5	WU Kevin	2033
6	IVANOV Michael	2030
7	GLADSTONE Simon	1900
8	LI David	1799
9	LIU Dan	1670
10	CUNNINGHAM Ross	1656

GRADE 12

1	SAPOZHNIKOV Roman	2528
2	CALUGAR Arthur	2453
3	KLEINMAN Michael	2381
4	YUAN Yuanling	2339
5	XIONG Jerry	2300
6	WANG Jesse	2110
7	PRYSIAZNY Michael	1962
8	ORLOVA Yelizaveta	1951
9	WANG Jerry	1696
10	ZHOU Kevin	1683

HONOUR ROLL

1	SAPOZHNIKOV Roman	2528
2	CALUGAR Arthur	2453
3	QIN Joey	2413
4	KLEINMAN Michael	2381
5	YUAN Yuanling	2339
6	XIONG Jerry	2300
7	PREOTU Razvan	2262
8	GUSEV Nikita	2256
9	INIGO Aquino	2201
10	MARINKOVIC Mate	2192

QUEBEC TOP TEN

KINDERGARTEN

1	RINGSKOG Noa	585
2	CHEN Jacques	558
3	ANGULO-VALENCIA Mateo	523
4	SEAH Elliott	460
5	YAO Frederic	444
6	PIERRE ALEXIS Dylan	439
7	DAVID Dubreuil	429
8	SIMI Mathis	399
9	DURAND-REANO Jasselyn	390
10	BOUDREAULT Marie-Florence	385

GRADE 1

1	HUANG Qiuyu	1127
2	KHANIN Nikita	943
3	YANG Patrick	802
4	MOCANU Alexander	723
5	GOGA Flavia-Maria	702
6	LI Johnson	656
7	XUE Elisa	655
8	KORDA Frantisek	638
9	GENDRON Isaac	634
10	KRUJA Aron	581

GRADE 2

1	RODRIGUE-LEMIEUX Shawn	1173
2	LIU Robert	1072
3	ZHONG Wenxuan	961
4	POULIN Guillaume	855
5	TUNCBILEK Emir	811
6	TAO Eric	796
7	LI Xuan Xuan	784
8	DEMERS Alexis	750
9	SAVCHEENKO Elizabeth	748
10	XIE Dazhuo	737

GRADE 3

1	LAI William	1437
2	LIU Julia	1186
3	TESSIER Leo	1082
4	TINICA Gabriel	1052
5	LUO Jia Yu	948
6	JIANG Lucas	922
7	CAUCHY-VAILLANCOURT Marek	904
8	GUAN Ziyu	896
9	KORDA Radek	870
10	BILODEAU-SAVARIA Carl-William	825

GRADE 4

1	FAN Run Kun	1600
2	ZHANG Hou Han	1528
3	LUO Muhan	1370
4	OUELLET Maili-Jade	1350
5	LU Daisy	1347
6	YIP Matthew	1280
7	LU Jasmine	1215
8	HUANG Teng Yi	1203
9	AIT-CHABANE Adam	1180
10	TURGEON Yoakim	1145

GRADE 5

1	SUN Benjamin	1572
2	ZHANG Evan	1565
3	SAINE Zachary	1490
4	HUANG Junhao	1426
5	YANG Eddie	1393
6	JOHNSON-CONSTANTIN Matthieu	1353
7	YIP William	1330
8	SAHA Ananda	1313
9	ST-CYR Xavier	1281
10	YU Cindy	1250

GRADE 6

1	WANG Kelly	1598
2	LUO Alan	1468
3	SHI Ling Yun	1451
4	VAILLANT Charles-Etienne	1352
5	SATIR Ege Nur	1318
6	LU Roselyn	1312
7	HE Haley	1283
8	SERBAN Diana	1278
9	HU Tian Ren	1244
10	BILODEAU-SAVARIA Cendrina	1237

GRADE 7

1	CHIKU-RATTE Olivier Kenta	2247
2	YU Zong Yang	2000
3	ZHU HongRui	1989
4	CHANG Michael	1722
5	LIU Yu Qing	1476
6	EPURE Doru-Alexandru	1412
7	GAO Christine	1367
8	NIKULICH Andrey	1365
9	GAO Ying Chen	1312
10	STEPHENNE Renaud	1223

GRADE 8

1	YUN Chang	1876
2	MANAILOIU Dragos	1668
3	GU Sheng-Ming	1609
4	JOHNSON Nicholas	1556
5	BRICHKO Mike	1442
6	NAZARIAN Ara	1424
7	SAMIKOV Chingis	1390
8	JIANG Nathan	1381
9	PATEL Rohan	1326
10	NANTELT Vincent	1294

GRADE 9

1	LUO Zhao Yang	2081
2	LEPINE Cedric	1992
3	WU Qi You	1976
4	PAQUETTE Alexandre	1525
5	VOLKOV Vladislav	1421
6	LIU Mu Dong	1411
7	LORANGER Erika	1403
8	XIANG Qun Tian	1401
9	SHI Yang Tian Jiao	1388
10	SMIRNOV Arteme-Iouri	1264

GRADE 10

1	GUO Forest	1772
2	NIKULICH Oleksandr	1610
3	YAO Houji	1583
4	NUNEZ-PAINCHAUD Raphael	1580
5	WANG Yan	1567
6	TAN Guang Tong	1534
7	YU Kexin	1495
8	XU Tian Run	1452
9	DOUCET Jean-Pascal	1395
10	PLANTE Santiago	1386

GRADE 11

1	KRAIOUCHKINE Nikita	2382
2	CVETKOVIC Simeon	2041
3	ROY Myriam	2024
4	ALLARD Laurent	1778
5	COTE-LALUMIERE Tristan	1708
6	SPRUMONT Oscar	1693
7	ROZYBAKIYEV Ilchin	1574
8	ISAEV Nikola	1557
9	MACISAAC Alexandre	1301
10	BILSKI Simon	1298

GRADE 12

1	JIANG Louie	2422
2	TROTTIER Emile	1972
3	GELET Seymour	1940
4	SARRAZIN-GENDRON Roman	1788
5	KIEU Marc-Andre	1704
6	LIMA-BARBOSA Raphael	1626
7	LEUNG Chin	1611
8	NANTELT Felix	1467
9	BONI-ROWE Nicolas	1466
10	CHEN Bing Yu	1322

HONOUR ROLL

1	JIANG Louie	2422
2	KRAIOUCHKINE Nikita	2382
3	CHIKU-RATTE Olivier Kenta	2247
4	LUO Zhao Yang	2081
5	CVETKOVIC Simeon	2041
6	ROY Myriam	2024
7	YU Zong Yang	2000
8	LEPINE Cedric	1992
9	ZHU HongRui	1989
10	WU Qi You	1976

ATLANTIC TOP TEN

KINDERGARTEN

1	LOCKE Sebastian	577	NL
2	BROWN Alexander	559	NS
3	LI Sarah-Grace	415	NL
4	MACEACHERN Seamus	368	PE
5	ING Gabriel	366	PE
6	CHRISTY Julian	363	PE
7	CHRISTMAS Kanan	346	NS
8	BROWN Maya	216	NS

GRADE 1

1	RUSSELL Mark	673	NL
2	XAVIER-LEBLANC Alexandre	588	NB
3	LANTZ Ronan	506	PE
4	BEFEKADU Noah	435	NB
5	DENNY Annie-Rose	422	NL
6	KAPRA Jerjis	413	NS
7	BOON-PETERSEN Tobin	393	NL
8	GREEK Abigail	391	NS
9	OJO Tobi	388	PE
10	DAUPHINEE William	365	NB

GRADE 2

1	CHEN Norman	905	NL
2	WALSH Ian	779	NL
3	KUNDU Arnab	776	PE
4	BATE Will	748	NS
5	LOCKE Heidi	706	NL
6	BROWN Callum	664	NS
7	PIERCEY Isaac	639	NL
8	DOUGETTE Luc	628	PE
9	HARRIS Jonathan	623	NL
10	PORTER Thomas	577	NL

GRADE 3

1	MCCALLUM Karla Lynn	1032	PE
2	RUSSELL Brett	814	NL
3	NORMAN Jeremy	774	PE
4	LATOURE Simon	766	NB
5	QIU Nicholas	736	NL
6	LI Kevin	724	NS
7	SHABBIR Adnan	715	PE
8	DENNY Ethan	671	NL
9	KOSHI Benjamin	647	NS
10	LEBLANC Julien	590	NB

GRADE 4

1	HUANG Xingbo	1181	NL
2	KERR Ian	1039	PE
3	MANNHOLLAND Noah	832	PE
4	PEARSON Ethan	817	NB
5	KUNDU Arjun	797	PE
6	BURDEN Matthew	771	NL
7	WOODWORTH Kyle	744	NS
8	PORTER Michael	742	NL
9	JIANG Harvey	737	NL
10	SINGH Sahejpreet	711	NS

GRADE 5

1	DORRANCE Lucas	1314	NS
2	BOON-PETERSEN Stefan	1171	NL
3	CHOWDHURY SoumyaDeep	1029	PE
4	NOLAN Justin	980	NL
5	PICKARD Ryan	976	NL
6	TUFTS Sei-Jin	960	NS
7	LOCKE Miles	924	NL
8	COADY Nicholas	923	NL
9	MACEACHERN Declan	900	PE
10	TRAN Quoc	886	NS

GRADE 6

1	SONG Sam	1242	NB
2	ROBICHAUD Alexandre	1226	NB
3	MCKEOWN Gary	1173	NL
4	RONAHAN-WOOD Jack	1086	PE
5	WALSH Andrew	967	NL
6	HE Kate	953	NS
7	DELANEY Spenser	871	NL
8	WHITT Sheldon	837	NL
9	NORMAN Bradley	830	PE
10	LATOURE Phillippe	815	NB

GRADE 7

1	ANDERSEN Paul	1236	NL
2	OLDFORD Noah	1183	NL
3	SCHRADER Nathaniel	1133	NB
4	SNELGROVE Stephen	1123	NL
5	DAWSON Andrew	1095	NL
6	ONG Ivanseth	1078	NS
7	GREGORY Liam	1027	NL
8	HICKMAN Thomas	990	NL
9	KIEFTE Andrew	968	NS
10	KAPRA Faris	960	NS

GRADE 8

1	DORRANCE Adam	1857	NS
2	FENG Bob	1359	NB
3	WILKS Darius	1128	NS
4	MCKEOWN Brody	1038	NL
5	STEELE Deivan	1014	NS
6	CHAULK Arrick	998	NL
7	BUTLER Kevin	973	NL
8	SHAMAEI Ashkan	969	PE
9	LUDOVIC Diego	967	NS
10	BURGGRAFF Matthew	939	NL

GRADE 9

1	PETERS Jeremy	1454	NS
2	QIU Christopher	1453	NL
3	ZHANG MaoMao	1337	NL
4	ROBICHAUD Nicolas	1318	NB
5	WANG Jeffrey	1314	NS
6	CROWELL Iain	1226	PE
7	HINK Ian	1094	PE
8	DAWSON Laura Jane	1083	NL
9	SCOTT Nicholas	1013	PE
10	CHURCHILL Shea	1004	NL

GRADE 10

1	BENDZSA Matthew	1521	NL
2	GALLANT Dennis	1324	NS
3	TSAI Shang-Chen	1244	NS
4	RAMOS Alexander	1188	NL
5	HUNT Nicholas	1166	NL
6	BANGLA Venu	1125	PE
7	NOH Jaehoon	1077	NS
8	CARSON Cody	1052	NB
9	ADAMS Kirk	1026	NS
10	BARADARAN NOVEIRI Pouya	1022	NS

GRADE 11

1	DROVER Justin	1559	NL
2	RAINNIE Aaron	1366	PE
3	XU Shen	1200	NS
4	LU Fred	1190	NS
5	STACKHOUSE Jordan	1138	NB
6	MATHEWS Tim	1116	NL
7	LAPLACE Logan	1113	NB
8	LIANG Andy	1050	NS
9	MEISNER Dana	1047	NS
10	ELMS Andrew	1033	NL

GRADE 12

1	KEITH-JACQUES Liam	1841	NB
2	DAWSON Michael	1581	NL
3	GREGORY Calvin	1365	NL
4	HERBINGER Florent	1333	NS
5	BENNETT Lee	1303	NS
6	PATRICK Richard	1185	NS
7	PEARCE Kyle	1132	NL
8	NADEAU Alex	1115	NB
9	PERRY Alexander	1071	PE
10	MCDAVID Steven	1013	NB

HONOUR ROLL

1	DORRANCE Adam	1857	NS
2	KEITH-JACQUES Liam	1841	NB
3	DAWSON Michael	1581	NL
4	DROVER Justin	1559	NL
5	BENDZSA Matthew	1521	NL
6	PETERS Jeremy	1454	NS
7	QIU Christopher	1453	NL
8	RAINNIE Aaron	1366	PE
9	GREGORY Calvin	1365	NL
10	FENG Bob	1359	NB

WESTERN TOP TEN

KINDERGARTEN

1	SILLADOR Gabriel	547	AB
2	GAO Edward	453	AB
3	TOLENTINO Khino	428	AB
4	GOULD Kiefer	380	MB
5	ZHANG Jessica	335	AB
6	JIN William	330	AB

GRADE 1

1	SUPERCEANU Andi	933	AB
2	LAU Julian	837	AB
3	AMROM Itay	761	MB
4	JAMES Rowan	728	BC
5	BRADFORD William	718	AB
6	ZHU Harmony	674	BC
7	HUANG Patrick	655	BC
8	DOKNJAS Neil	636	BC
9	BUTCHART Kevin	581	BC
10	MEHTA Kaetan	576	AB

GRADE 2

1	ZHAO Ian	1198	AB
2	KIM Daniel	1104	AB
3	SASATA Alexander	980	SK
4	ZHANG Daniel	944	AB
5	HUSTON-EARLE Joshua	876	MB
6	KASSAM Nabil	826	AB
7	LI Eric	806	AB
8	KOVAC Adrian	770	AB
9	APOSTOLU Alex	727	AB
10	WATTS Colin	725	AB

GRADE 3

1	WANG Kaixin	1621	AB
2	CHITRAKAR Siddhartha	1552	AB
3	LIN Kaining	1525	AB
4	GROSSMANN Lenard	1467	AB
5	PULFER Luke	1234	BC
6	LORTIE Isaac	1140	SK
7	LI Ying	1099	AB
8	WEI Daniel	1058	SK
9	CARLSON Andrew	969	BC
10	DAYE Peter	937	AB

GRADE 4

1	YAO David	1770	AB
2	DOKNJAS Joshua	1413	BC
3	TRAN Colin	1345	AB
4	TOLENTINO Patrick	1287	AB
5	TOLCHOCK Theo	1267	MB
6	LORTIE Benjamin	1241	SK
7	SU Michael	1215	BC
8	MA Derek	1169	MB
9	BAL Nrithya	1162	AB
10	ROBERTSON Sean	1116	AB

GRADE 5

1	MCCULLOUGH Ian	1650	AB
2	MCCANN Adam	1470	AB
3	KUYE Tosin	1380	AB
4	STEVANOVIC Boris	1355	AB
5	STANISLUS Kevin	1329	AB
6	TOLENTINO Andre	1312	AB
7	XU Edwin	1234	BC
8	BHANDARI Yashasvi	1204	AB
9	SHRESTHA Prayus	1145	AB
10	LIN Ethan	1138	MB

GRADE 6

1	KASSAM Jamil	1905	AB
2	CAO Jason	1866	BC
3	NIE Mark	1783	AB
4	KAISER Jakob	1732	AB
5	ZITA Matthew	1684	AB
6	MULIAWAN Lukas	1633	AB
7	LEE Jonah	1552	BC
8	WANG Poplar	1503	AB
9	LIN Rayden	1486	AB
10	BROUGHTON Alexander	1458	AB

GRADE 7

1	KONG Dezhong	2048	BC
2	HOFFNER Noah	1871	AB
3	DOKNJAS John	1852	BC
4	STANISLUS Allan	1771	AB
5	HUANG Zhonglin	1731	AB
6	SHI Diwen	1698	AB
7	WEI William	1682	AB
8	AWATRAMANI Janak	1662	BC
9	DI BLASI Luciano	1572	AB
10	HESSE Austin	1567	AB

GRADE 8

1	MCCULLOUGH David	1835	AB
2	SITU Dennis	1654	AB
3	DESPRES Sebastien	1629	AB
4	YANG Tony	1600	AB
5	HUI Jeremy	1564	BC
6	PAVLIC Stephen	1562	AB
7	SWIFT Ryne	1549	MB
8	CHAN Dante	1464	AB
9	ZHAO Chenxi	1392	AB
10	HERDIN Mathew	1347	BC

GRADE 9

1	WANG Richard	2384	AB
2	LO Ryan	1840	BC
3	LUDWIG Michael	1812	AB
4	WANG YueKai	1777	AB
5	LAI Jingzhou	1763	BC
6	BANSAL Prabjeet	1684	AB
7	SONG Henry	1645	AB
8	SHI MingHang	1643	AB
9	ZITA Aren	1638	AB
10	BARON Desmond	1632	AB

GRADE 10

1	SOHAL Tanraj	2209	BC
2	LI Chang He	1854	BC
3	KALAYDINA Regina	1800	AB
4	SINGH Krishneel	1711	AB
5	WASSERMAN Leor	1584	MB
6	VIRJI Naveed	1534	AB
7	XIAO Alice	1486	BC
8	REYNOLDSON Nigel	1382	SK
9	TING Aaron	1353	AB
10	LI Stanley	1236	AB

GRADE 11

1	ZHANG David	2285	AB
2	THOMAS Derek	2008	AB
3	LECLERC Etienne	1953	AB
4	CHENG Jack	1884	BC
5	BOTEZ Alexandra	1856	BC
6	HAN Yiming	1652	BC
7	SANTOS Christopher	1576	MB
8	KIRSCH Zachary	1571	AB
9	HAN Yifei	1446	BC
10	LI Devon	1322	MB

GRADE 12

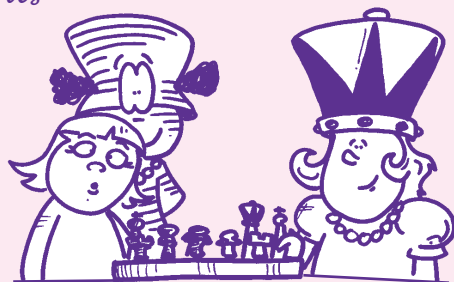
1	KAMINSKI Thomas	2164	AB
2	MILLER David	1900	AB
3	GREEN Aaron	1879	MB
4	LAZO Jan	1796	AB
5	WU Allan	1682	AB
6	DE GUZMAN Jeff	1667	AB
7	WANG Harris	1640	AB
8	LACY Sean	1535	AB
9	WIEBE Isaac	1483	MB
10	TIMM Joshua	1456	SK

HONOUR ROLL

1	WANG Richard	2384	AB
2	ZHANG David	2285	AB
3	SOHAL Tanraj	2209	BC
4	KAMINSKI Thomas	2164	AB
5	KONG Dezhong	2048	BC
6	THOMAS Derek	2008	AB
7	LECLERC Etienne	1953	AB
8	KASSAM Jamil	1905	AB
9	MILLER David	1900	AB
10	CHENG Jack	1884	BC

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TOP GIRLS CANADA



GRADE 1 / KINDERGARTEN*

1	GUO Hazel	823	ON
2	GOGA Flavia-Maria	702	QC
3	ZHU Harmony	674	BC
4	XUE Yanran Elisa	655	QC
5	ATANASOVA Rada *	586	ON

GRADE 2

1	MALE PATHIRANAGE Thisandi	928	ON
2	CHERTKOW Sasha	771	ON
3	SAVCHENKO Elizabeth	748	QC
4	RODRIGUES Julia	727	ON
5	LOCKE Heidi	706	NL

GRADE 3

1	ZHANG Taylor	1402	ON
2	HENRY Nadia	1252	ON
3	LIU Julia	1186	QC
4	PERRONE Anna	1066	ON
5	MCCALLUM Karla Lynn	1032	PE

GRADE 4

1	PARAPARAN Varshini	1584	ON
2	KANESHALINGAM Mathanhe	1555	ON
3	BIRAROV Nicole	1394	ON
4	OUELLET Maili-Jade	1350	QC
5	LU Daisy	1347	QC

GRADE 5

1	LIU Dora	1498	ON
2	WANG Constance	1473	ON
3	ZHU Jiarong	1332	ON
4	YU Cindy	1250	QC
5	MILICEVIC Ljudmila	1183	ON

GRADE 6

1	WANG Kelly	1598	QC
2	SHI Ling Yun	1451	QC
3	THANABALACHANDRAN Luxiga	1354	ON
4	LU Roselyn	1312	QC
5	ZHOU Qiyu	1280	ON

PRINCESS PARADE

1	WANG Kelly	1598	QC
2	PARAPARAN Varshini	1584	ON
3	KANESHALINGAM Mathanhe	1555	ON
4	LIU Dora	1498	ON
5	WANG Constance	1473	ON
6	SHI Ling Yun	1451	QC
7	ZHANG Taylor	1402	ON
8	BIRAROV Nicole	1394	ON
9	THANABALACHANDRAN Luxiga	1354	ON
10	OUELLET Maili-Jade	1350	QC

GRADE 7

1	GIBLON Melissa	1462	ON
2	GAO Christine	1367	QC
3	CHENG Megan	1324	ON
4	MILICEVIC Aleksandra	1308	ON
5	LI Kristen	1201	ON

GRADE 8

1	PENG Jackie	2133	ON
2	YUN Chang	1876	QC
3	SAMETOVA Zhanna	1306	ON
4	ROSCA Maria Alexandra	1274	QC
5	RAVICHANDRAN Jarsheni	1079	ON

GRADE 9

1	GIBLON Rebecca	1463	ON
2	LORANGER Erika	1403	QC
3	HOU Louisa	1211	QC
4	NAZARETH Linda	1134	ON
5	DAWSON Laura Jane	1083	NL

GRADE 10

1	VYRAVANATHAN Sobiga	1925	ON
2	KALAYDINA Regina	1800	AB
3	WANG Yan	1567	QC
4	YU Kexin	1495	QC
5	XIAO Alice	1486	BC

GRADE 11

1	ROY Myriam	2024	QC
2	BOTEZ Alexandra	1856	BC
3	TRAN Tracey	1078	AB
4	LEE Cynthia	1078	AB
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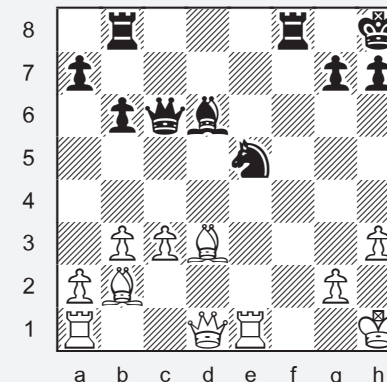
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3	LEE Melissa	1346	ON
4	UTEPOVA Alika	1317	QC
5	CRITES Valerie	1245	ON

CANADIAN QUEENS

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2	PENG Jackie	2133	ON
3	ROY Myriam	2024	QC
4	ORLOVA Yelizaveta	1951	ON
5	VYRAVANATHAN Sobiga	1925	ON
6	YUN Chang	1876	QC
7	BOTEZ Alexandra	1856	BC
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COMBO MOMBO !!

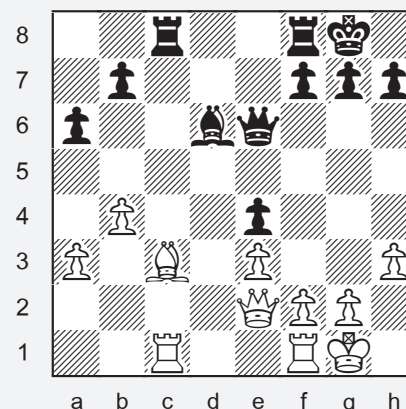
SPOTLIGHT ON DOUBLE ATTACKS



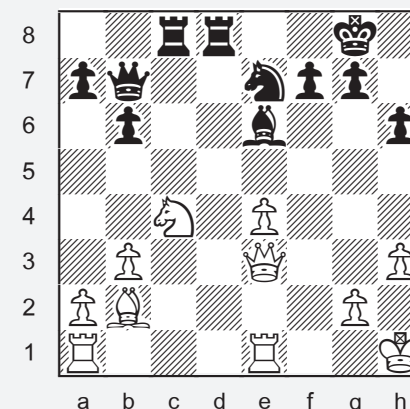
A double attack is any move that makes two threats at the same time. The most common double attack is the fork. But there are also other kinds, like when we attack one piece and threaten mate at the same time.

♚ Black wins by 1...Nxd3 2.Qxd3 Rf2!, threatening Qxg2# & Rxb2. The bishop is lost after 3.Rg1 Rxb2.

♙ If White goes first, they can win two minor pieces for a rook with 1.Rxe5 Bxe5 2.Qh5. The threats are Qxh7# & Qxe5. 2...h6 3.Qxe5



❶ BLACK TO MOVE
Win Material



❷ WHITE TO MOVE
Win Material

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MATE IN 1

WHITE CHECKMATES BLACK
IN ONE MOVE.

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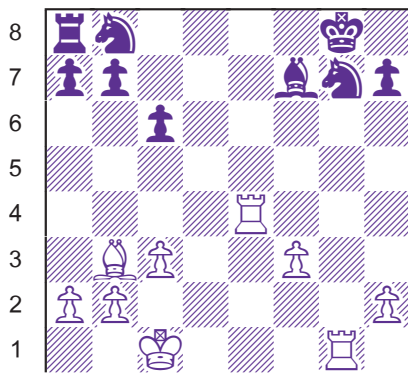
MATE IN 2

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IN TWO MOVES.

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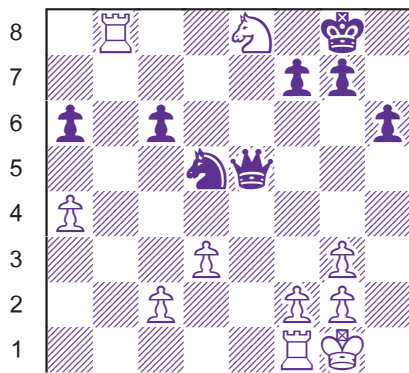


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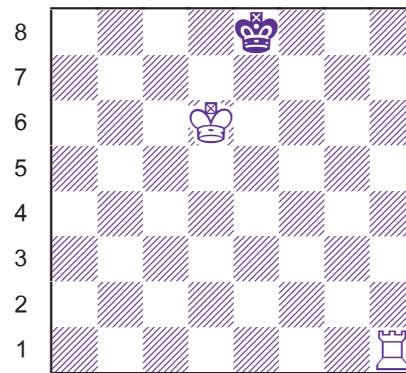
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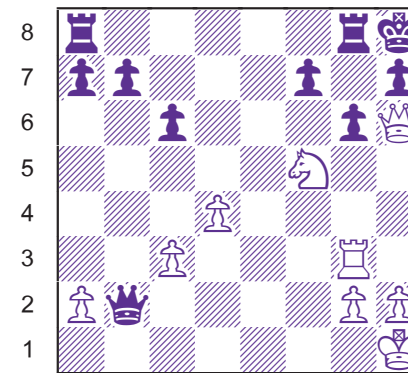
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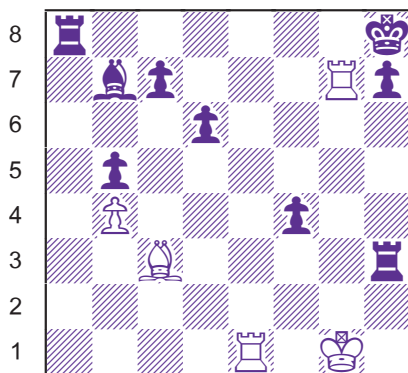
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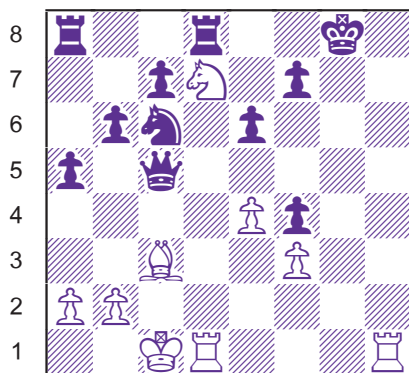
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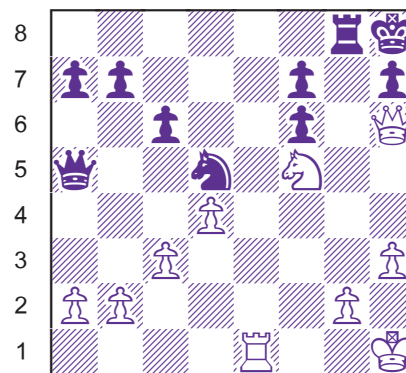
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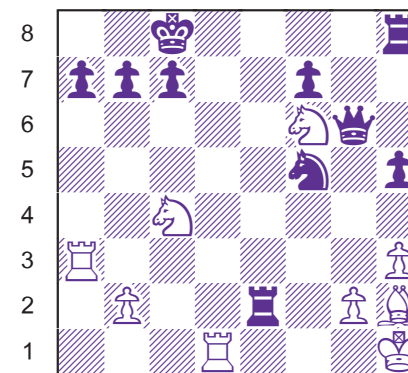
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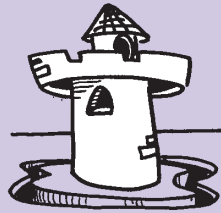


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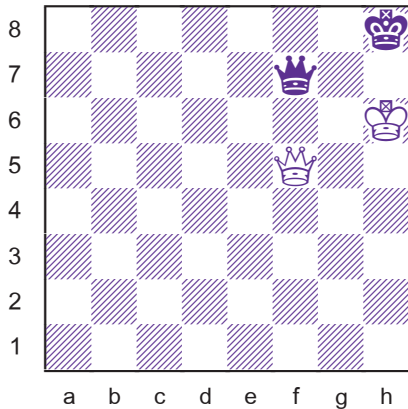
MATE IN 3

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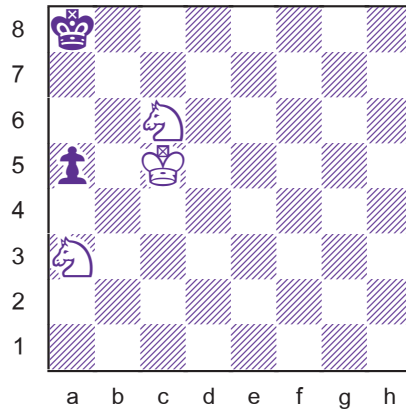
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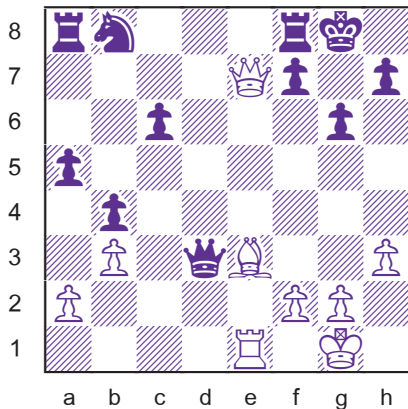
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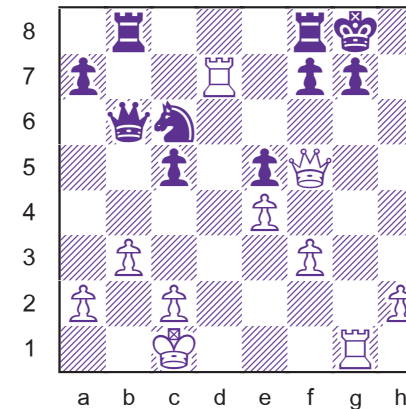
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LILY'S PUZZLER

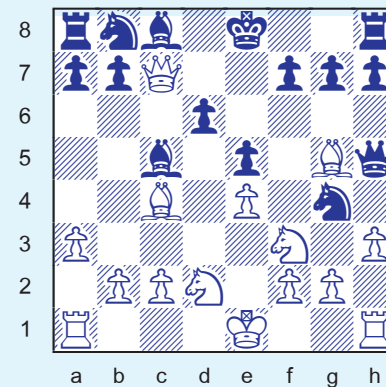
Hi Boys And Girls!

In each diagram, switch two pieces so that the black king stands in mate. Any two pieces can trade places. Colours do not matter. You can switch white with white, black with black, or white with black. You can even switch a king. The resulting position must be legal. No fair putting pawns on the first rank or having both kings in check. Good luck!

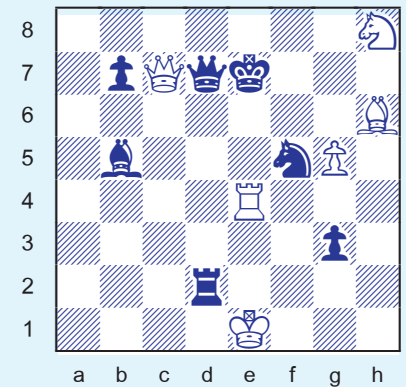


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A



B



SWITCHEROOS

SWITCH THE PLACES OF ANY TWO PIECES
SO THAT BLACK IS IN CHECKMATE.



QUEBEC SCHOOL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

The 2012 Quebec School Team Chess Championship was held in Montreal at Jean de Brebeuf College on March 31 - April 1. The four player teams were divided into three groups. In total, 397 players took part. The top three teams in each section are shown below. A very impressive result for Collège Charlemagne!

Grades K-3	Grades K-6	Grades 7-11
1 Charlemagne Gabriel Tinica Allison Tsy-pin Johnson Li Patrick Yang	1 Charlemagne Eddie Yang Muhan Luo Diana Serban Sabina Tinica	1 Jean-Eudes Olivier K. Chiku-Ratté Dragos Manailoiu Nikola Isaev Sheng-Ming Gu
2 Fernand Seguin	2 Internationale	2 Internationale
3 Internationale	3 F.A.C.E.	3 Notre-Dame

ALBERTA CHAMPION

13 year old Richard Wang of Edmonton won the 2012 Alberta Closed Championship.

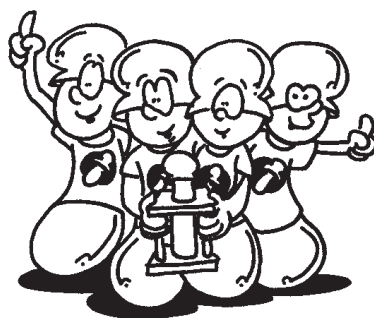
The round robin event was held April 6-8 in Edmonton. All 6 players were rated over 2300. Richard's victory earned him the FM title (FIDE Master).

Tying for second place were Alex Yam and Edward Porper.

NOVA SCOTIA TEAM

The 2012 Nova Scotia School Team Championship took place at Halifax on April 1st, with ten teams competing.

grade K-4	Berwick
grade 5-6	Oxford
grade 7-9	Park West
grade 10-12	Citadel



WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

The world chess championship will be held in Moscow, Russia on May 10-31.

World champion Viswanathan Anand (India) will defend his title in a twelve game match against Boris Gelfand (Israel).

The cash prizes are 1.5 million dollars for the winner and one million dollars for the loser!

ONTARIO SCHOOL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

The 2012 Ontario School Team Chess Championship took place in Toronto on March 31 and April 1. The four player teams were divided into three groups on Saturday, and the K-6 section was played Sunday. A total of 45 teams took part in the event, which was sponsored by "Spirit of Math Schools".

The top three teams in the each section are listed here. Congratulations to Seneca Hill and Denlow schools for "3-peating" as champions in the elementary sections.

The four players on the Seneca Hill K-3 team won all their games, scoring a perfect 20/20. WoW!

Grades K-6	Grades K-9	Grades K-12
1 Denlow Michael Wang George Chen Jerry Wang Evan Kanter	1 UTS Jeffrey Lee Robert Li Ivan Konarev K. Jeyapragasan	1 UTS Christopher Knox Jackie Peng Hanyuan Ye Guangyu Song
2 Seneca Hill	2 Henderson	2 North Toronto
3 Henderson	3 Lester B. Pearson	3 Etobicoke

ALBERTA YOUTH

The 2012 Alberta Youth Chess Championships were played in Calgary February 25-26, with 29 participants.

The new champions are:

< 8	Ian Zhao
<10	Patrick Tolentino
<12	Nicholas Lee
<14	Richard Wang
<16	Nicka Kalaydina
<18	David Zhang

NOVA SCOTIA YOUTH

The Nova Scotia Youth Chess Championships were held on March 4th in Halifax, with 38 players. The winners were:

<8	Callum Brown
<10	Sahejpreet Singh
<12	Lucas Dorrance
<14	Adam Dorrance
<16	Jeremy Peters

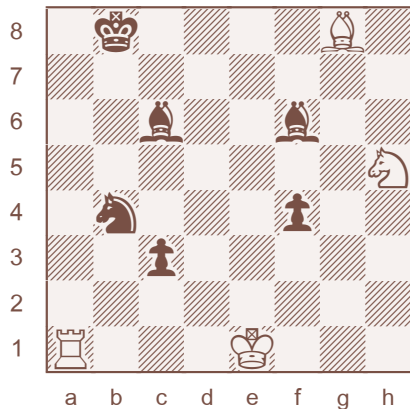
This year's national CYCC is in Vancouver on July 3-6.



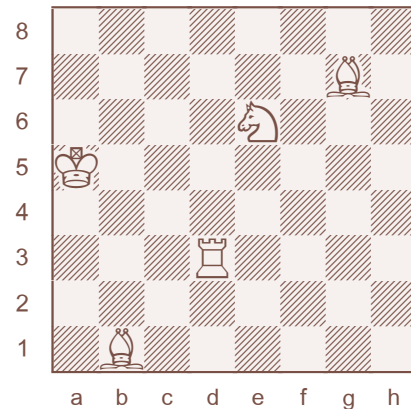
WELCOME TO MY CONTEST !

Can you solve the 4 puzzles on the next page? Mail me your answers if you do. One lucky person will win a Kiril T-shirt. White moves first in the mate problems. In case you never saw a "maze" or "loyd" before, here are some examples:

In a **CHESMAZE** only one white piece moves. In this maze, it is the white **rook**. The object is to capture the black king without taking any pieces or moving where the rook can be taken. Draw a line to show the path of the rook. This is a **Maze in 13**. That means you should get the king in thirteen moves or less.



The **TRIPLE LOYD** was invented by Sam Loyd, a famous chess composer. They are called triple because there are three parts. In part **A**, you place the black king on the board so that he is in checkmate. In part **B**, place him in stalemate. For part **C**, put the black king down so that White has a mate in 1. solutions page 47



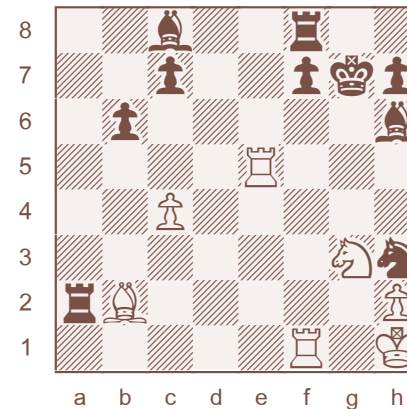
We received 2 correct solution to February's contest.

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|---|-----------|--|
| 1 | Mate in 1 | 1.Qb3# |
| 2 | Mate in 2 | 1.Qxe8+ Rxe8 2.Rf8# |
| 3 | Maze | Ba8-b7-a6-c4-a2-b1-c2-d1-e2-f1-h3-d7-e8-f7-g8-h7-e4xh1 |
| 4 | Loyd | A.Kf1 B.Ka1 C.Kf3 (Be2#) |

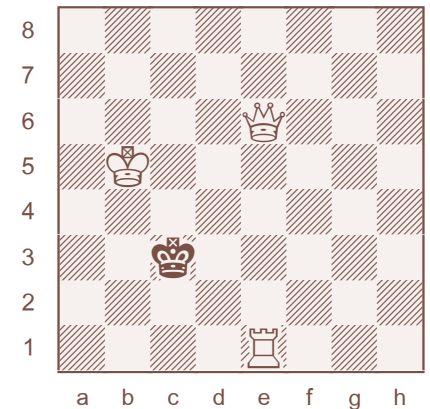
The winner of the drawing for a Kiril T-shirt is :
Ian Walsh of Torbay, Newfoundland

KIRIL'S KONTEST

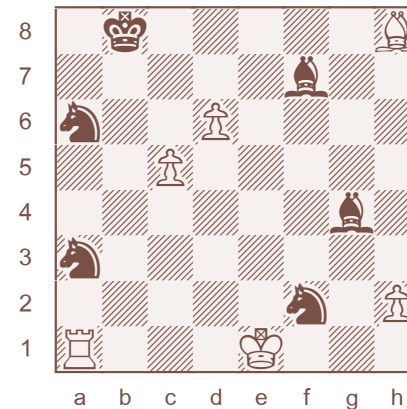
Mail entries to: 3423 St. Denis #400 Montreal, Quebec H2X 3L2
or e-mail to: kiril@chess-math.org *Deadline : May 24*



MATE IN 1

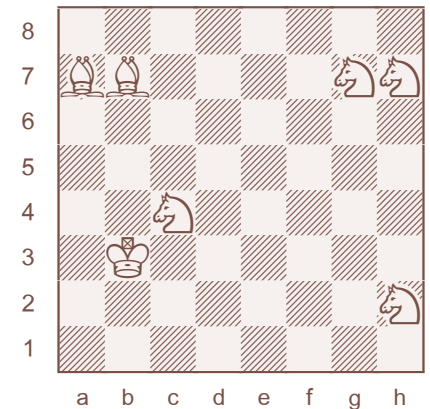


MATE IN 2



CHESMAZE IN 14

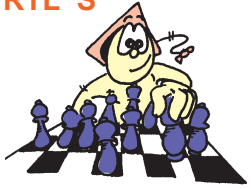
Only the white **ROOK** moves. Capture the black king without taking any pieces or moving where the rook can be taken.



TRIPLE LOYD

PLACE THE BLACK KING IN :

- A** Checkmate
- B** Stalemate
- C** Mate in 1



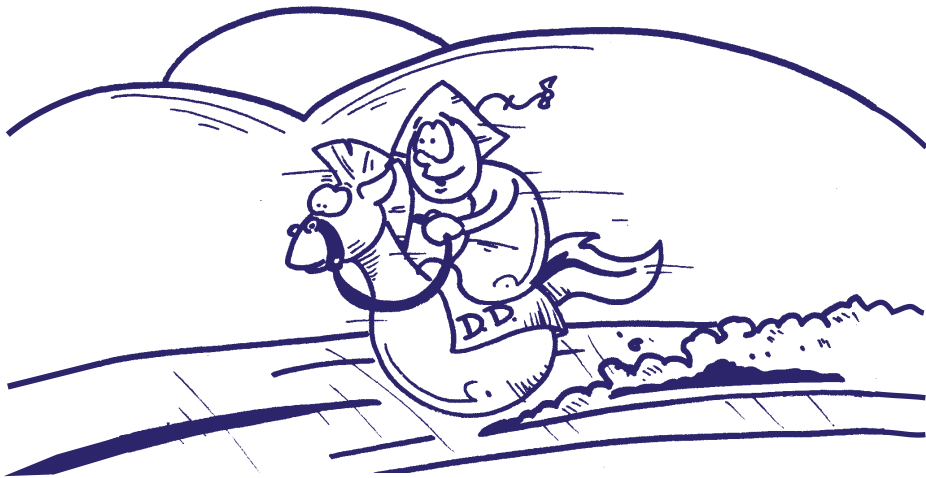
CHESSTOWN DERBY

It was early Sunday morning and the sun was just rising bright above the hill. The shadows of the trees stretched their limbs to greet the new day. Everything was peaceful and still.

Well, almost everything. Kiril and his pal Dusty were already out on the track getting ready for the big race. The Chesstown Derby was that afternoon, and they needed all the help they could get.

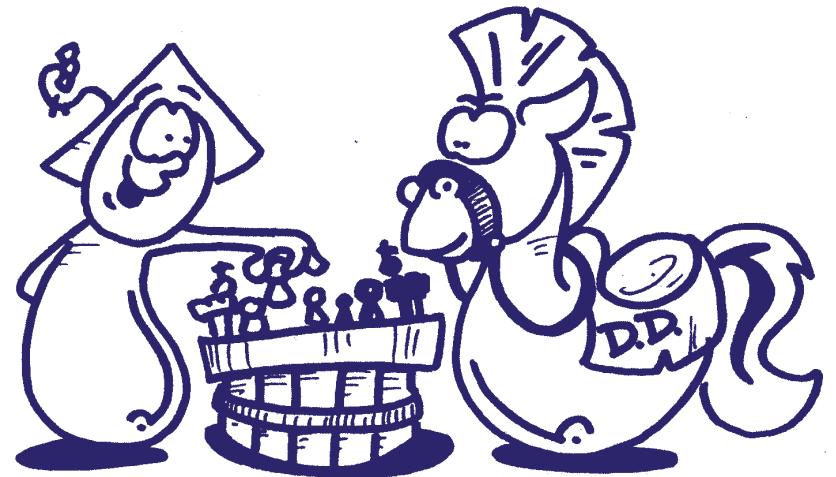
Dusty Daze was not the same horse that he used to be. It had been six years since his last race. And this was Kiril's first time as a jockey. They were both a little nervous.

Kiril tried to cheer his friend up, "C'mon, Dusty, let's do a couple more laps. I think we're getting better. I don't even fall off anymore." Dusty smiled, "Okay, Kiril, but let's try to go fast this time."



Kiril did his best. And Dusty Daze ran his hardest. But after a couple hours of chasing carrots, they were not exactly breaking the speed limit. They did need a break though. So Kiril led the horse over by the water and asked him if he'd like to have a drink. "No thanks, Kiril. I'd rather have some fruit punch."

So they walked over to the cantina, and ordered two mango chillers. And while they relaxed on the patio by the lake, they had a game of chess.



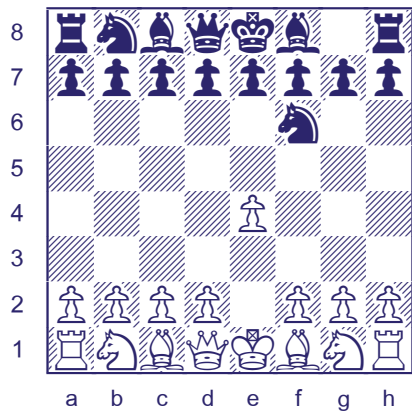
White **KIRIL the PAWN**
 Black **DUSTY DAZE**

1. e4

The pawn's favourite move.

1. ... Nf6

Alekhine's Defence. Every knight likes to fight, and this knight is no exception.



2. e5

Kiril charges ahead. The other possibility is 2.Nc3 when black has a choice:

- 2...d5 3.e5 d4!?
- 2...e5 Vienna Game
- 2...d6 3.d4 g6 Pirc Defence

2. ... Nd5

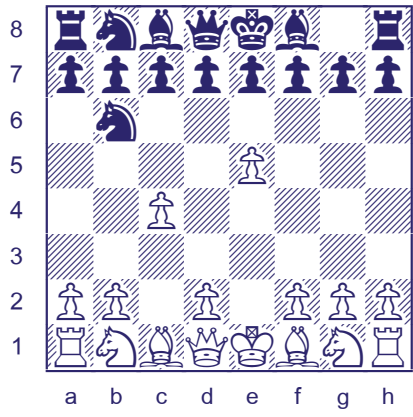
Dusty knows not to play 2...Ne4?! 3.d3 Nc5 4.d4!, which is good for white.



3. c4

Forcing the knight to run. The *Modern Variation* is 3.d4 d6 4.Nf3.

3. ... Nb6



4. c5

The chase continues! A different plan for white is the *Four Pawns Attack*: 4.d4 d6 5.f4. The main line goes 5...dxe5 6.fxe5 Nc6 7.Be3 Bf5 8.Nc3 e6.

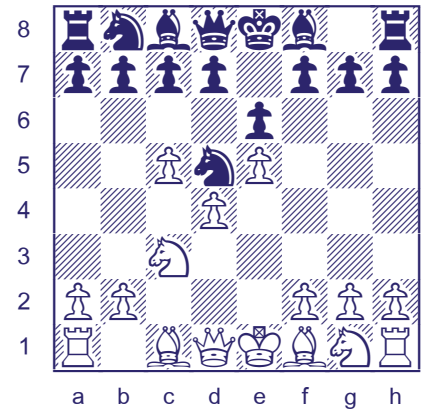
4. ... Nd5

Back he comes again!

5. Nc3 e6

6. d4

6.Bc4 Nxc3 7.dxc3 Nc6 is an even game and so is 6.Nxd5 exd5 7.d4 b6!



6. ... Nc6

7. Nxd5 exd5

Black has doubled pawns but he can get rid of them later by pushing ...d6.

8. f4?!

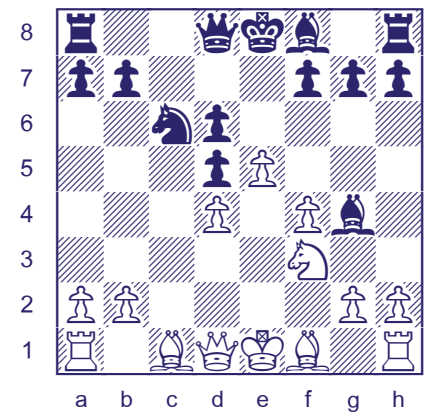
Too many pawn moves. A better idea was 8.Nf3.

8. ... d6

9. cxd6 cxd6

10. Nf3 Bg4!

The pin on the knight gives black the edge.



Attacking the bishop by 11.h3 is bad because of 11...Bxf3 12.Qxf3 Nxd4 or 12.gxf3 Qh4+.

Unpinning with 11.Be2 is also trouble for white after 11...dxe5 12.fxe5 Bb4+! Then 13.Bd2 loses a pawn to 13...Bxf3 14.Bxf3 Qh4+! 15.g3 Qxd4.

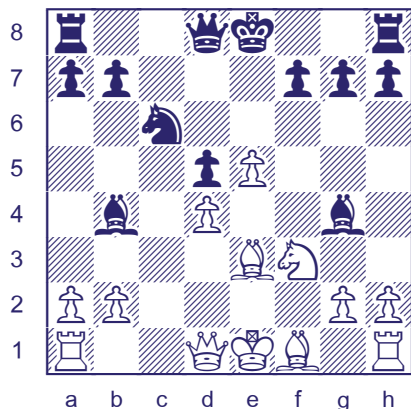
So Kiril guards d4.

11. Be3 dxe5

Black opens a diagonal for his bishop on f8.

12. fxe5 Bb4+





13. Kf2

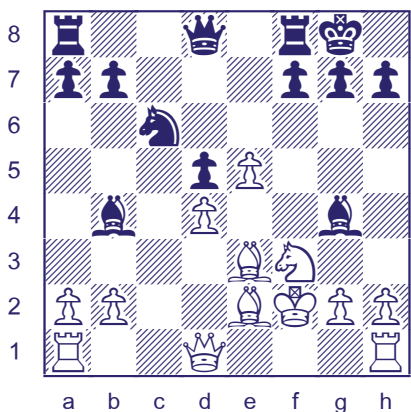
Running with the king is white's best bet. 13.Bd2? Bxf3! 14.Qxf3 Qh4+ 15.g3 Bxd2+ 16.Kxd2 Qxd4+ is a disaster.

13. . . . 0-0

The horse wagged his tail as he castled into safety.

14. Be2

Kiril finally takes time to unpin his knight.



14. . . . f6!

Dusty attacks the white centre and prepares to open the f-file.

15. exf6

White drops a pawn on 15.Rf1? Bxf3 16.Bxf3 fxe5 17.dxe5 Nxe5. The bishop at f3 is now pinned.

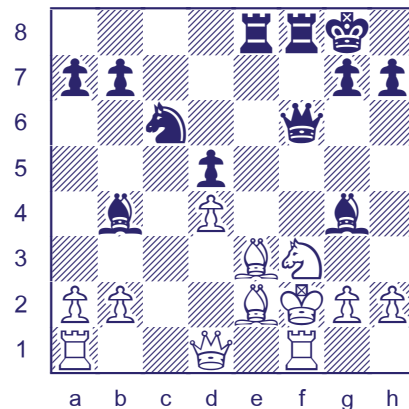
15. . . . Qxf6

16. Rf1

White plans to "castle by hand" with 17.Kg1.

16. . . . Rae8!

This horse has a lot of sense! Not only does he develop his last piece, he also stops the white plan. (17.Kg1? Rxe3)



17. Qb3

Kiril still wants to retreat his king, so he protects the bishop on e3, and he threatens 18.Qxd5+ too!

17.h3 fails to 17...Qh4+:

18.g3 Qe7 19.Bf4 Bxh3

18.Kg1 Bxf3 19.Bxf3 Rxe3

17. . . . Qe6

Dusty Daze is on a roll. He defends the d5 pawn and keeps the pressure on the white bishop. This might be his lucky day!

18. Bb5

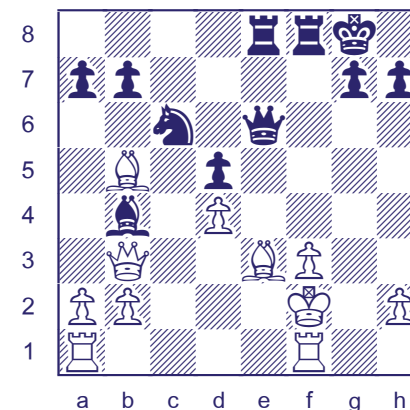
Kiril moves one of his bishops off the e-file and pins the knight on c6.

A trickier way to lose is 18.a3 Bd2! 19.Bxd2 Qxe2+ 20.Kg1 Bxf3 21.Rxf3 Rxf3 22.Qxf3 Qxd2.

18. . . . Bxf3!

19. gxf3

After 19.Bxc6, black has a nice discovered check with 19...Bd1+!



19. . . . Rxf3+!

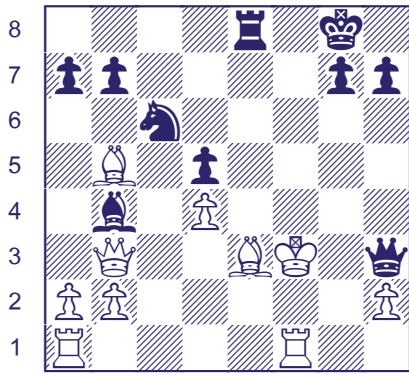
The old horse takes a deep breath and heads for the finish line.

20. Kxf3

Any other king move is met by 20...Rxe3.

20. . . . Qh3+!

Giddyup, Dusty!

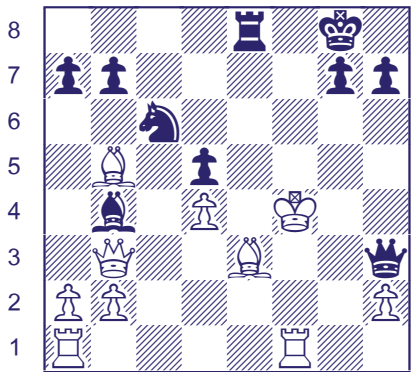


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21. Kf4

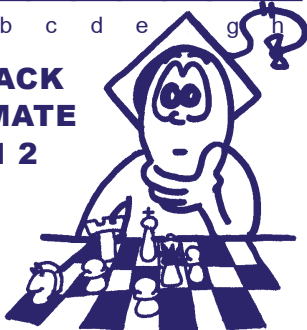
Kiril saw that his queen gets forked after 21.Ke2 Nxd4+! 22.Kd1 Nxb3.

If 21.Kf2, black mates in 7 moves starting with 21...Qxh2+ 22.Kf3 Rf8+.



a b c d e f g h

BLACK TO MATE IN 2



21. . . . Re4+

22. Kg5 Qg4#

Kiril grinned as he took the last sip of his mango chiller. "Good game, pal."

"Thank you, Kiril. That game made me feel like a young pony again!"

"That's perfect, Dusty. Because you know what? It's almost race time!"



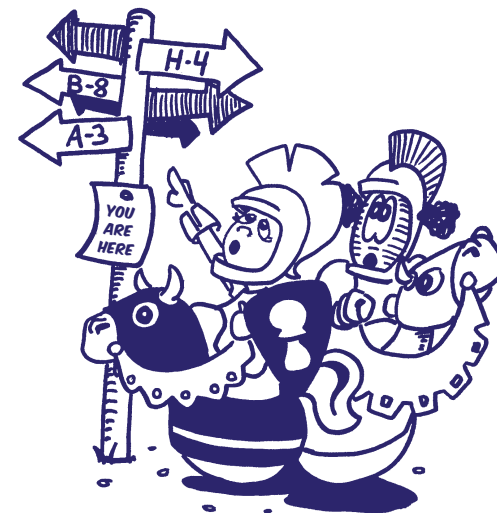
CHESSTOWN DERBY

#	HORSE	JOCKEY
1	Silver Bullet	Moe
2	Captain Nemo	Jay
3	Secret Truth	Frizoon
4	Moosejaw Joe	Larry
5	Lady Clementine	Lily
6	Morphy's Law	Ping Lee
7	Dusty Daze	Kiril

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SCHOLAR'S MATE

Lily and Frizoon knew what time it was too. And they were still a long way away. They had gone to a *Medieval Knights* festival on Saturday and were late coming back.

So they took a shortcut that was supposed to be quicker, and they quickly got lost! Luckily, the signs pointed them in the right direction and they arrived just before the race.

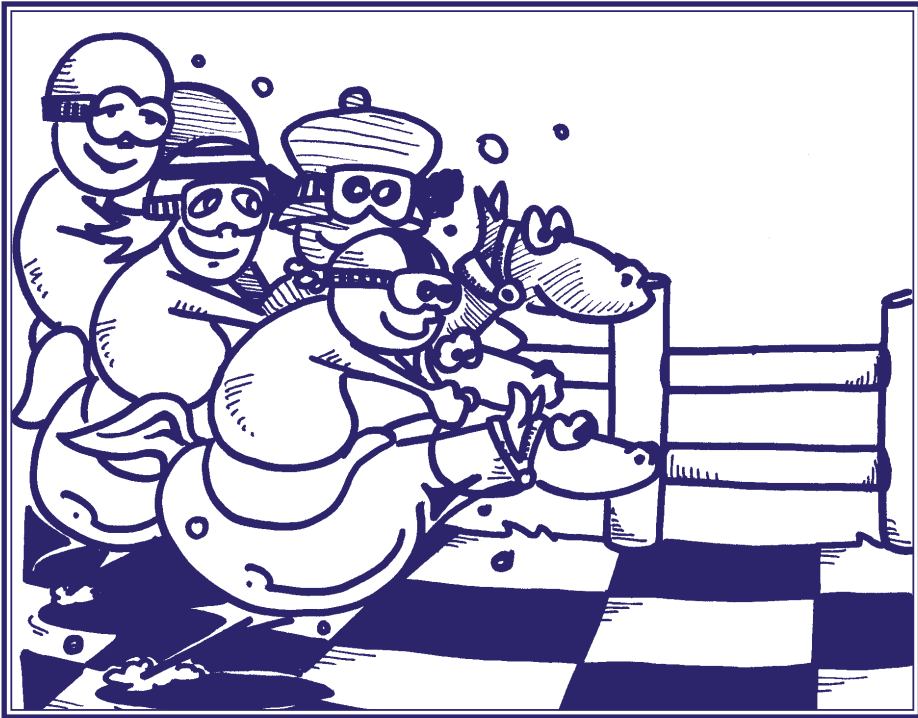


Good afternoon, folks. Welcome to the Chesstown Derby. The horses are at the starting gate. Silver Bullet, ridden by Moe Pawn, is today's favourite. He seems a bit edgy, but that's the way Moe is.

For some reason, Kiril is down on the ground. Okay, he's back in his saddle. They're all set now.

Biff the B raises his pistol, and shouts "BANG!" And the horses are off!





Silver Bullet jumps out to an early lead. Captain Nemo is close on his tail, followed by Moosejaw Joe.

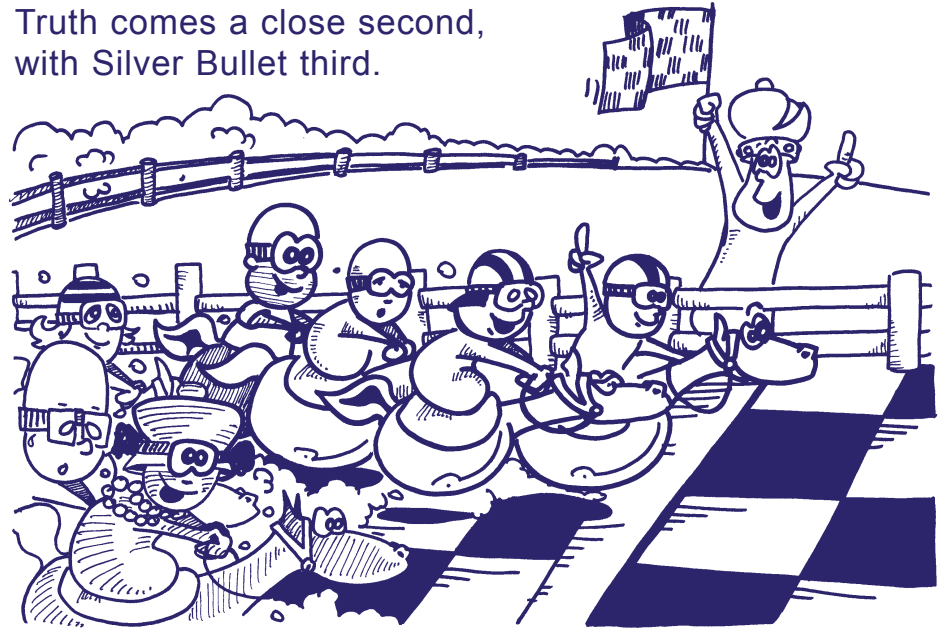
They're at the first turn, and hold on, what's this? Morphy's Law isn't turning. It looks like he's heading straight for the snack wagon! Can you believe it?

The other horses are at the halfway marker now, with Silver Bullet still in front. Lady Clementine looks a little tired and is bringing up the rear.



As they come around the final stretch, it's Silver Bullet and Captain Nemo, neck and neck. Here's a surprise, Dusty Daze has taken over the third spot.

But Secret Truth is coming fast on the outside. It's down to the wire, sports fans. And the winner is ... Dusty Daze, by a nose! Secret Truth comes a close second, with Silver Bullet third.



It's an amazing story, folks. Kiril the Pawn has won the Chesstown Derby!

In the winner's circle, they presented him with a big trophy and gave Dusty Daze a wreath of flowers.

Moe was there to uncork the bottle of bubbly water.

Can you guess who got soaked?



CANADIAN CHESS CHALLENGE

TEAM STATISTICS

1989 - 2011

TOTAL GAMES PLAYED 12255 MOST CHAMPIONSHIPS ONTARIO 15
TOTAL PLAYERS 2728 MOST GOLD ONE YEAR ONTARIO 9

STANDINGS

	AVERAGE PLACE	AVERAGE % SCORE	BEST % SCORE	HIGHEST PLACE	LOWEST PLACE
ONTARIO	1.5	82	90	1	3
QUEBEC	1.8	78	88	1	4
BRITISH COLUMBIA	3.1	64	75	2	5
ALBERTA	4.2	54	60	3	7
MANITOBA	5.6	47	58	3	8
NEW BRUNSWICK	6.1	44	61	3	8
NEWFOUNDLAND	6.5	41	56	4	9
NOVA SCOTIA	8.3	33	44	6	10
SASKATCHEWAN	8.4	35	47	6	10
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	9.5	23	44	7	10

MEDALS

	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	TOTAL	WEIGHT*	MOST 1 YEAR
ONTARIO	112	74	35	221	519	12
QUEBEC	78	76	52	206	438	12
BRITISH COLUMBIA	43	35	46	124	242	8
ALBERTA	16	24	37	77	133	6
MANITOBA	7	24	21	52	90	4
NEW BRUNSWICK	3	12	31	46	64	5
SASKATCHEWAN	5	10	17	32	52	3
NOVA SCOTIA	6	12	9	27	51	3
NEWFOUNDLAND	3	5	23	31	42	4
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	1	2	6	9	13	3

* GOLD = 3 SILVER = 2 BRONZE = 1

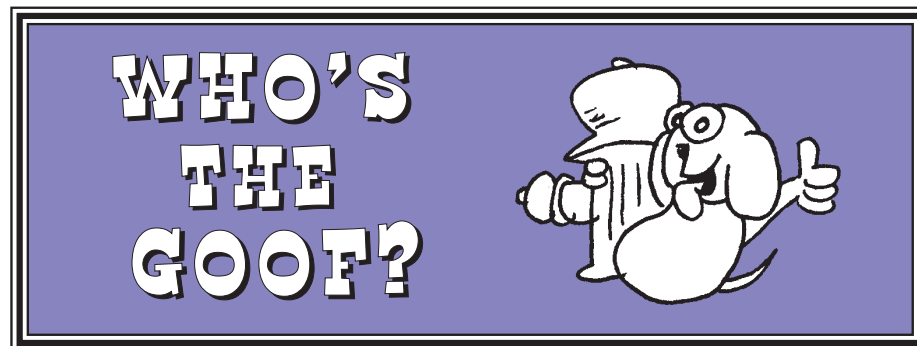
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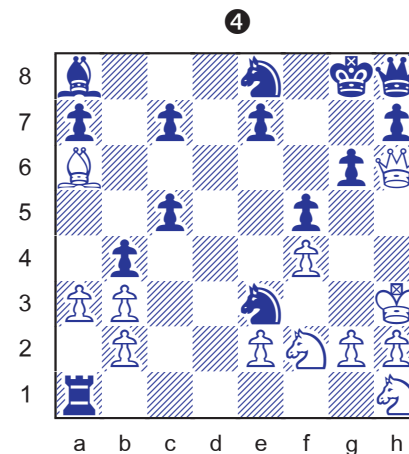
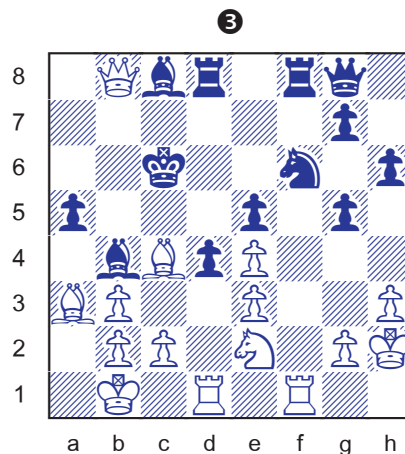
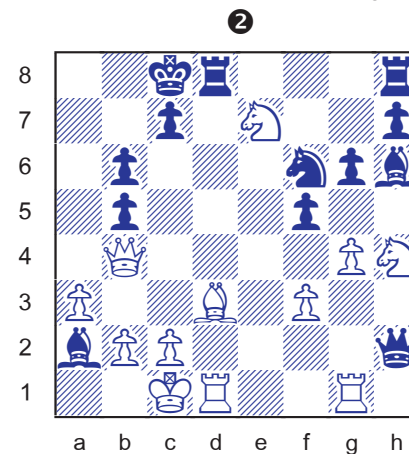
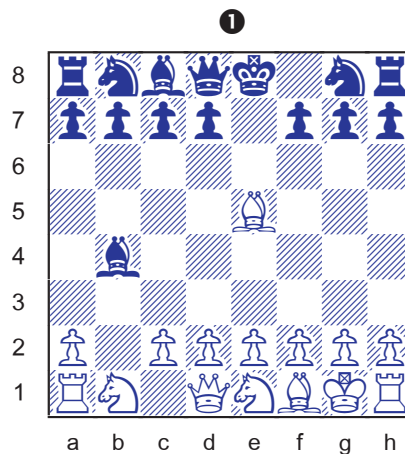
1999	Nova Scotia	+ 25½
1997	Alberta	+ 16
2011	Saskatchewan	+ 15½
2001	Nova Scotia	+ 14½
1993	Manitoba	+ 13
1994	Ontario	+ 12½

BIGGEST JUMP IN STANDINGS

1990	Alberta	7th to 4th
2005	Nova Scotia	9th to 6th
2011	Saskatchewan	9th to 6th
1999	Nova Scotia	10th to 7th
2002	MB	5th to 3rd
2006	MB	5th to 3rd
2007	AB	5th to 3rd
1993	NF	7th to 5th
2000	MB	8th to 6th
2009	NB	8th to 6th
1993	PE	9th to 7th
2000	SK	9th to 7th
2001	NS	9th to 7th
2003	NF	9th to 7th
2004	SK	9th to 7th



Hey there, goof experts! Somebody messed up here. In each of the diagrams below, there is something wrong. The positions are illegal. Can you find the goof? solutions page 47





TOURNAMENTS FOR KIDS

TORONTO

Chess'n Math 416 488-5506

Senator O'Connor Sec. School
60 Rowena Dr.

May 13 *Grand Prix* Sunday
registration 10:00 - 11:00 am

Chess'n Math Association
701 Mount Pleasant Rd.

June 1 *PA Day Camp* Friday
registration 11:30 - 12:00 noon

THORNHILL

Yuri Lebedev 905 370-2299

Knights Of Chess
5635 Yonge St.
Suite 201

check-in 2:30 - 3:00 pm
pre-registration recommended

every Sunday

TORONTO

**Nathalia Khoudegarian
416 370-7300**

Swansea Town Hall Comm. Centre
95 Lavinia Ave. 2nd floor

check-in 12:45 - 1:00 pm
pre-registration recommended

every Saturday

TORONTO

**Corinna Wan
annmail2008-oriole@yahoo.ca**

Oriole Community Centre
2975 Don Mills Rd. W.

registration 12:45 - 1:00 pm
every Sunday

OTTAWA

Brad Thomson 613 565-3662

RA Centre Outaouais Room
2451 Riverside Drive

registration 12:00 - 1:00 pm

April 22 Sunday

May 20 Sunday

June 17 Sunday

KITCHENER

Patrick McDonald 519 648-3253
patrick@psmcd.net

Kitchener City Hall
200 King St. W.

registration 12:30 pm

May 13 Sunday

June 10 Sunday

CORNWALL

Raymond Lacroix 613 938-6364

Cornwall Public Library

registration 12:00 - 12:45 pm

May 5 Saturday

June 2 Saturday

GUELPH

Hal Bond 519 822-2162

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Mary McCooeye 705 323-3430

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MONTREAL

Chess'n Math 514 845-8352

registration 11:15 - 11:45 am

Loisir St-Henri
530 du Couvent

May 6 *Grand Prix* Sunday

May 27 Sunday

WINNIPEG

Jeremie Piche at (204) 237-1497

University of Winnipeg
Lockhart Hall room 5L24
515 Portage Ave.

registration 12:15 - 12:45 pm

May 6 Sunday

CALGARY

Frank Kluytmans 403-999-2092

Calgary Junior Chess Club
274-3359 27 Street Northeast

School Team Championship
registration 9:00 - 9:45 am

May 5 Saturday

EDMONTON

Bruce Thomas 780 473-1557

ST. JOHN'S

Chris Dawson 709 747-5217

Mary Queen of Peace School
137 Torbay Rd.

registration 9:30 - 10:00 am

NL School Team Championship
April 28 Saturday

HALIFAX

Blaine Gallant 902 488-7507

CHARLOTTETOWN

Jan Giles 902 658-2409

SASKATOON

Don MacKinnon 306 445-8369

VICTORIA

Brian Raymer 250 595-0025

ONTARIO GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIP

Marshall McLuhan SS
TORONTO

Saturday May 19

13 sections by grade K-12
<http://www.freewebs.com/ogcc/>



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www.chess-math.org

Click the "ratings" tab on the homepage, which will take you to the *ratings page*:

www.chesstalk.com/elo/pub

Once on the *ratings page*, with Kiril and the map of Canada, you can search ratings by name, province, age, or grade! You can also see a list of recently rated tournaments at the bottom of the page. Click on the tournament to see a crosstable of the event.

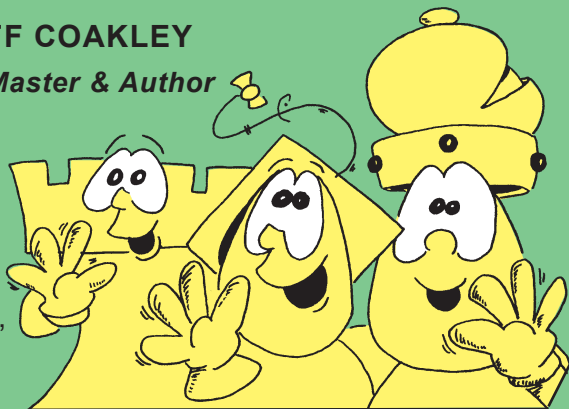
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* SOLUTIONS *

MATE IN 1

- 1 1.Re8#
- 2 1.Nf6#
- 3 1.Rg3#
- 4 1.Rh8#

MATE IN 3

- 1 1.Qc8+ Qg8 2.Qc3+ Qg7 3.Qxg7#
- 2 1.Kb6 a4 2.Nb5 a3 3.Nc7#
- 3 1.Qxf8+ Kxf8 2.Bh6+ Kg8 3.Re8#
- 4 1.Qf6 g6 2.Rxg6+ any 3.Qg7#
1...g5 2.Qxg5+ any 3.Qg7#

MATE IN 2

- 1 1.Rf1 Kd8 2.Rf8#
- 2 1.Qxh7+ Kxh7 2.Rh3#
- 3 1.Re8 any 2.Qg7#
4. 1.Nb6+ Kb8 2.Nfd7#
1. . . . axb6 2.Ra8#
1. . . . cxb6 2.Rc3#

LILY'S PUZZLER

A. Bc4-Ke8 B. b7-g3
(In diagram B, black is already in checkmate. This is the only switch that keeps the mate.)

CHESSMAZE

Ra1-d1-d6-e6-e2-f2-f1
-g1-g6-h6-h7-f7-f8xb8

TRIPLE LOYD

A.Ka3 B.Kc4 C.Kh7 (Rd8#)

TACTICS 101

- 1 1.Qe4 (2.Qxh7# or 2.Qxa8)
- 2 1.Rd7 (2.Qxf7+ or 2.Rxb7)
- 3 1.Qc3 (2.Qxg7# or 2.Qxc5)
- 4 1.Ne6 (2.Qxg7# or 2.Nxd8)

COMBO MOMBO

- 1 1...Rxc3 2.Rxc3 Qe5
(3...Qh2# or 3...Qxc3)
- 2 1.Nd6 (forking Qb7 & Rc8)
1...Rxd6 2.Qg3
(3...Qxg7# or 3...Qxd6)

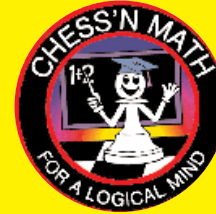
WHO'S THE GOOF?

1. White's king cannot be on g1. #7 1.Nxf7!
1...Bc6? 2.Nxd8
2. Both kings are in check. 1...Rxf7 2.Nxb5
3. White has 2 kings.
4. There are unmoved pawns on e2 and g2, which means the bishop that started on f1 never moved. The white bishop on a6 must be a promoted d-pawn. But Black is only missing two pieces: a rook and a dark square bishop. The rook was captured on b3 (a light square). That means that the white d-pawn could only promote on d8 (a dark square) and could not become a light square bishop, which would require another capture on c8 or e8. The black dark square bishop could not have been captured on either of those light squares.

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