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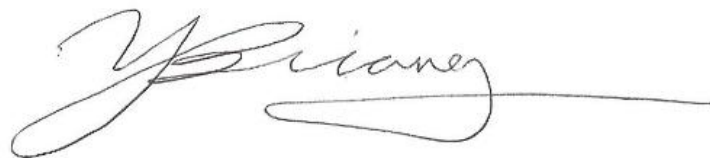
From the Editor

Hey Kansas Chess Players~!

Welcome to this year's first issue of *Plains Chess*. I'm honored to be your KCA editor for the 2009-2010 year. Last year has been an incredible year of chess, with several big tournaments including the "2008 Kansas Open", "New Year Bash", and "OP nationals". This year we have already with two big USCF tournaments: the "2009 Kansas Open" where Tom Brownscombe won the state title and was elected President of KCA, and also the "Back-to-School" tournament, which will appear in the Fall edition of *Plains Chess*. An important article on page 17 about KCA USCF tournaments- a must read.

I encourage everyone to contribute to the *Plains Chess* for the fall edition coming this winter. Contributions, such as games, crosstables, scoresheets, photographs, or other Kansas chess-related articles are all welcomed and should be send to one of my addresses listed under "KCA Officers". Preferably, all games should be in .pgn format if done electronically; any scoresheets should be complete, legible, algebraic notation with both players' names on top. Such scoresheets, such as the one to the right, will not be reviewed.

I have also changed the designed of the *Plains Chess*. I hope this will set the bar for future editions of *Plains Chess*. I wish to also hear your comments about this publication, what you like/did not like, what you want to see, etc.



Brian Yang

2009-2010 KCA Editor

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- 2009- Tom Brownscombe
- 2008- Christopher Purdy
- 2007- Tom Brownscombe
- 2006- Maxx Coleman
- 2005- Mila Mokriak
- 2004- Deepyaman Datta
- 2003- Andrew Cherepanov
- 2002- Kyle Camarda
- 2001- Robert Glick
- 2000- Tim Steiner
- 1999- Alan Piper
- 1998- Ryan Porter
- 1997- Alan Piper
- 1996- Jason Kasick
- 1995- Ryan Porter
- 1994- Fred Galvin
- 1991-'93 Alan Piper
- 1990- Charles Aldelman
- 1989- Alan Piper
- 1982-'88- Michael Weirzbicki
- 1981- Bradford Blake & Michael Weirzbicki
- 1980- Wesley Koehler & Bruce Worner
- 1979- David Marshall, Don Oswald, Dan Prichard, & Thomas Raikes
- 1978- Jack McClurg
- 1977- Wesley Koehler
- 1976- Carl Sloan
- 1972-'75 -Dan Prichard
- 1970- Gary Watts
- 1967-'69- Randy Mills
- 1965- Virgil Harris
- 1948- A. R. Self
- 1907- Henry Woodson Rhea



Tom Brownscombe – 2007 & 2009



Christopher Purdy - 2008



Mila Mokriak - 2005



Maxx Coleman - 2006



Deepyaman Datta – 2004



Tim Steiner - 2000



Kyle Camarda - 2002

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Kansas Open 2009

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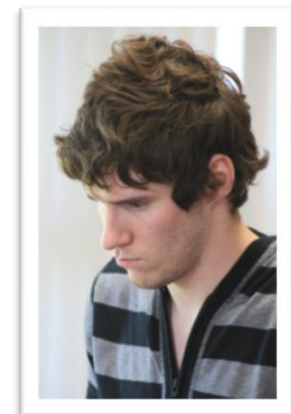
By Brian Yang



The 2009 Kansas Open was hosted at Bethany College Library in Lindsborg, KS from July 11th-12th with quick championship the day before. The tournament drew around 60 players from Kansas and states as far as Iowa and New York. After a series of difficult matches, including wins over 2008 Kansas Champion Christopher Purdy; top-seed and 2008 US Cadet Champion Conrad Holt; eastern chess teacher David Blair; Wichita chess teacher Jason Wawrzaszek; KCA President Ron Pasik; and drew USCF expert Tim Steiner, FM Brownscombe [pictured left] had secured the title of Kansas Champion

with a score 4.5/5.0. Kansas Chess Association and Anatoly Karpov International School of Chess sponsored the 3-day tournament with USCF senior tournament director Tony Dutiell directing all sections.

There were three other sections in the tournament. The reserve section was won by Colby Stuckman [pictured right] with a perfect score of 5.0/5.0. He defeated all his opponents, including Kevin Nyberg, whose game will be listed below in "Kansas Open games". Stuckman's USCF rating had an impressive increase of over 285 points! Conrad Holt [pictured below], won the Kansas Quick tournament with a perfect score of 5.0/5.0, a clear point ahead of the field. The Bughouse team of Danny Tran & Kyle Sciolaro won the eight-team round robin tournament with a perfect score of 7.0/7.0, giving them the 2009 Kansas Bughouse Champions.



During the tournament, the Kansas Chess Association had their annual meeting. Members present at the meeting elected Tom Brownscombe as KCA president, Laurence Coker as Vice-President-Treasurer-Webmaster, Duane Johnson as secretary, and Brian Yang as editor [Read "From the Editor" for more information]. Brownscombe was voted to be our Kansas delegate to the 2009 USCF delegates meeting held in Indianapolis, Indiana.

After the tournament, Brownscombe went to host the 9th annual Karpov chess camp. More on this chess camp on page 18, written by Brownscombe.

Kansas Open Games

Kansas Open Games

Annotated by Brian Yang with Fritz 10

Nyberg, Kevin (1660) –
Bartlow Justin (1439) Kansas
Reserve Round 2

1. c4 e6 2. Nf3 f5 3. Nc3 Nf6
4. b3 d6 5. Bb2 Be7 6. e3 0-0
7. Be2 b6 8. 0-0 Bb7 9. d4
Nbd7? [diag.]



Nbd7 is a mistake as it will lose the pawn on e6 with White's next move. A better move could be 9. ... c6, in hopes of securing the square d5, or 9. ... Ne4, posting the knight on a good post with ideas such as opening the f-file. 10. Ng5 Qc8 11. Ne6 Re8 12. d5?! White could have played 12. Nb5! attacking c7 twice and threatens to win the exchange by forking the rooks. 12. ... Nf8 13. Nf4 Here, Fritz preferred the d4 square. This is partly due to the center squares and pins the queen so to speak, which is protecting the f4 pawn. 13. ... N6d7 14. Bd3 Ne5 15. Bc2

g6 16. e4 fxe4 17. Ne4 Qd8
18. Qd4 Bf6 19. Nxf6+ Qxf6
20. f3 [diag.]

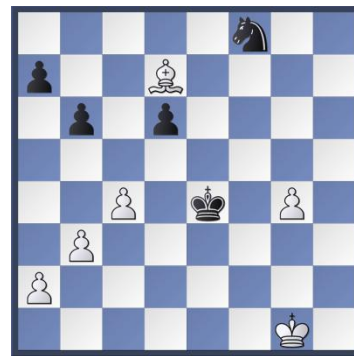


Due to White's battery on the a1-h8 diagonal and a pin on the Knight on e5, Fritz recommended 20. Rae1. This move adds another attack to the pinned piece and brings the rook to the center. Later you'll see that Black was able to double his rooks on the e-file 20. ... Re7 21. Nd3 Nfd7 22. f4 Ng4 23. Qf6 Ngf6 24. Rae1 Rae8 25. Rxe7 Rxe7 26. Re1 Rxe1 27. Nxe1 Kf7 [diag.]



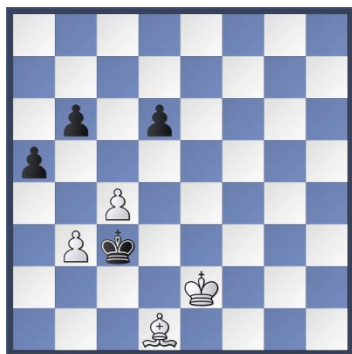
After the multiple exchanges

on the e-file, we reached the endgame. White has the advantage of a pawn and having double bishops. Black is stuck with an inactive bishop and two knights in this semi-open board. A general endgame rule: when one is up pieces, trade pawns; when one is up pawns, trade pieces. 28. h3 h5 29. Nf3 Nf8 30. Ng5+ Ke7 31. f5 gxf5 32. Bf5 c6 33. dxc6 Bxc6 34. g4 hxg4 35. hxg4 Bd7 36. Bxf6 Kxf6 37. Ne4+ Ke5. 38. Bxd7 Kxe4? [diag.]



When the queens are off the board, Kings should be moved towards the center to be able to support pawns. Fritz prefers to take the bishop, as this board is open and bishops favors open boards. At one point this game had a +2.41 score, in favor for white but would

have been .89 if Black had taken bishop. **39. Bf5+! Kd4 40. Kf2** finally, the king moves his behind **40. ...Kc3 41. g5 Kb2 42. g6 Nxg6 43. Bxg6 Kxa2 44. Bc2 Kb2 45. Bc1 Kc3 46. Ke3 a5 47. Ke2?** [diag.]



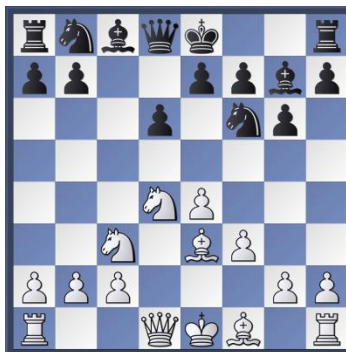
Pieces should be more active and White's last move, the scope of bishop is severely reduced. Fritz recommends **47. Ke4**. If **47. ...Kd2**, then **48. Bg5 Kc3 49. Be6 Kxb3? c5+!** If **47. ...a4**, then **48. bxa4 Kxc4 49. Be2+ Kc3 50. Bb5**, with an easy win after. Game continues: **47. Ke2 a4 48. bxa4 Kxc4 49. Kd2 Kb4**, draw threatening **50. ...b5**.

Tony Cheng (1589)-Lyle Taylor (1149) Kansas Reserve Round 1

This is a prelude to the next game as an introduction to the Sicilian Dragon. In the Dragon variation, Black fianchettoes his bishop on g7. The name "Dragon" comes from Black's pawn structure which similar to the

constellation *Draco*. The Dragon variation is considered to be one of the sharpest variations of all chess openings.

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nxd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 g6 6. Be3 Bg7 7. Bc4 0-0 8. f3 [diag.]



Dragon formation complete! Usually the preventive move **8. ...a6** is played to stop White's pieces to get to b5 square. White can follow up with **Bc4, Qd2, 0-0**; Black can follow up by **0-0, Nc6, Bd7**. White could play the Yugoslav attack with bishop on c4. **8. ...b6? 9. Qd2 Na6?** weak placement, though **Nc6** not possible due to **b6**. **10. 0-0-0 Nc5 11. h4 Ba6 12. Bxa6 Nxa6 13. h5 Nxh5 14. g4 Nf6 15. Bh6 Nd7? 16. Bxg7 Kxg7 17. Qh6+ Kf6 18. Nd5+ Ke5 19. Qf4# 1-0**

Colby Stuckman (1349) – Nyberg, Kevin (1660) Kansas Reserve Round 4

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nxd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 g6 6. Be3

Bg7 7. f3 0-0 8. Bc4 Bd7 9. Qd2 Nc6 10. 0-0-0 Qb8 11. Bb3 Rc8 12. h4 [diag.]



Deviated from the famous Sicilian Dragon: Yugoslav Attack **9. Bc4**. Usually black brings his a-rook to c8 and pushes with **b6 a5**, with hopes he can counterattack in time before white starts attacking kingside with double barrel g-h-rooks. **12. ... Ne5 13. h5 Nc4 14. Bxc4 Rxc4 15. hxg6 fxg6 16. g4 a6 17. g5 Nh5 18. Nd5!** attacking e7 and threatening to fork knights. **18. ...Qd8 19. Rxh5 Bxd4 20. Bxd4** now white dominates the dark squares **20. ...Rxd4?? 21. Qxd4 e5 22. Nf6+ Qxf6 23. gxf6 exd4 24. Rd5** Black resigns **1-0**.

"KNIGHTS VS. BISHOPS"

Jason Wawrzaszek (1915) – Christopher Purdy (1852) Kansas Open Round 5

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Qxd4 Nc6 5. Bb5 Bd7 6. Bxc6 Bxc6 7. Nc3 Nf6 8. Bg5 h6 9. Bh4 g5 10. Bg3 Bg7 11.

0-0-0 [diag.]



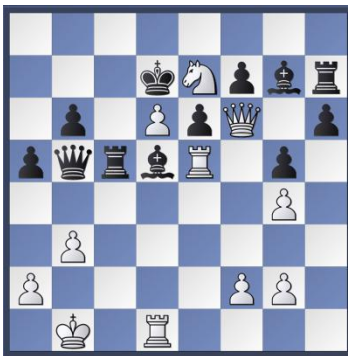
Qxd4 is an unorthodox move as popular move suggests Nxd4, occupying a central square while not bring out the queen out too early. At move 8, Black puts the bishop into question twice and forced the bishop back to g3. Next few moves will give black an advantage with double bishops, both on the long diagonals vs. White's centralized knights. 11. ...Nh5 12. Qe3 Nxc3 13. hxg3 Qa5 14.Nd4 Bd7 15. Nb3 Qb6 16. Qd2 Rc8 17. Nd5 Qc6 18. Rhe1 b6 19. Kb1 a5?! [diag.]



Now, white has a slight advantage due to his knight on d5. Its scope prevents Black from castling short due

to Nxe7+, forking the king and queen. Black should have played e6, kicking the knight off the d5 square. Here, white has the advantage as follows, but blundered. 20. Nd4 Qc5 21.

Nf5 Bf8 King stuck at the middle, white's rook barreling down the central rows, threats like e5 becomes realistic. 22. g4? And here is where White missed his opportunity. 22. Re3! performing a rook lift was a better move. This gives more room for the rook and threatens to skewer the queen to the rook with Rc3. 22. ... Bc6 23. e5 Bxd5 24. exd6? e6 25. c4? Qxc4 threatening mate 26. b3 Qb5 27. Qd4 Rh7 28. Qf6 Kd7! 29. Ne7 Rc5 30. Re5? Bg7 [diag.]



And here is where it all goes downhill. 31. Nxd5 Bxf6 32. Nxf6+ Kd8 33. Rxc5 Qxc5 34. Nxf7 Qe5 35. Rc1 Qe4+ 36. Kb2 Qxh7 0-1.

Conrad Holt (2297) – David Meliti (1867) Kansas Open Round 1

You're paired against the top seed of the tournament. To make matters worse, you're black. Top all that, the person you're playing is a teenager with a 2300 level strength. Feeling lucky?...

1. d4 d5 2. c4 c6 3. Nf3 Nf6 4. e3 e6 5. Bd3 Bd6 6. b3 Nbd7 7. Bd2 b6 8. Nbd2 Bb7 9. Ne5 c5 10. cxd5 cxd4 11. Nd7 Qxd7 12. dxe6 fxe6 13. Bxd4 [diag.]



White is now ahead of a pawn and with a better pawn structure. Black can not risk Bxg2 with Rg1. Also white has threats taking advantage of the h5-e8 diagonal. 13. ...e5 14. Bc3 Bxg2 15. Rg1 Qh3 16. Bb5+ Ke7 17. Bf1 Bxf1 18. Rxc7+ Ke6. 19. Nxf1 Both kings are stuck in the center. Black rooks can eye c-d-files, while white can eye the King on e6. Position is rather unclear; one may try Rac8, preventing Qd3-c4 check. Even Rhg8, forceful trading the rooks to start attacking White's King via Rg1, pinning the knight. 19.

...Ne4?! 20. Qd3 Kf6 21. Qxe4! Kxg7 22. Rd1 White is clearly up on the attack and with a safer king. Fritz gives up at +12.11 score! 22. ...Be7 23. Bxe5 Kf7 24. Bxh8 Rxh8 25. Ng3 Bf6 26. Rd6 Rc8 27. Qd5+ Kg7 28. Nh5+ Kh8 29. Rxf6 Rc1+ 30. Kd2 Qc8 [diag.]



31. Rc6!! deflection tactic 31. ... Rxc6 32. Qe5+ Black Resigns 1-0 facing mate in 2.

“JOURNEY IN BECOMING KANSAS CHAMPION 2009”

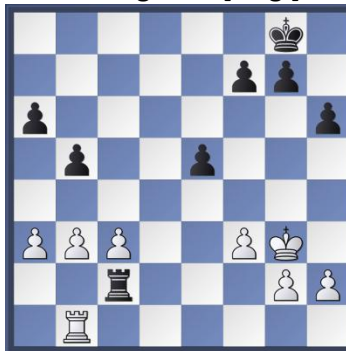
Ron Pasik (1856) – Tom Brownscombe (2219) Kansas Open Round 1

1. e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.f3 a6 6.Be3 Nc6 7.Nb3 d5 8.Nc3 Bb4 9.exd5?! Nxd5 Now Black has the opportunity to double up White’s c-file and then slowly capitalizing on it right a battery of rooks. White’s loss in tempos [f3, Nb3] could have developed more and castled already.

10.Bd2 Nxc3 11.Bxc3 Bxc3+ 12.bxc3 Qf6 13.Qd2 0–0 14.Bd3 Qe5+ 15.Kf2 Rd8 16.Rhe1 Qh5 17.Kg1 b5 18.Qe3 Ne7 19.Be4?! Nd5 20.Rad1 Bb7 21.Bxd5?! Bxd5 22.a3 Rac8 And now the attack on the c3 pawn commences... 23.Qb6 Qg5 [threatens Bxf3] 24.Qe3 Qf6 25.Rd4 h6 26.Red1 Rd7 27.Nc1 Rdc7 [diag.]



And thus, the pressure on the c3 pawn continues to build on white. Later the pawn falls and black achieves a simple endgame. 28.Ne2 Rc4 29.Rxc4 Bxc4 30.Ng3 Qe7 31.Ra1 Rd8 32.Nf5 Qc7 33.Nd4 Qc5 34.Kf2 e5 35.Nb3 Qd5 36.Rb1 Bxb3 37.cxb3 Qd2+ 38.Qxd2 Rxd2+ 39.Kg3 Rc2 [diag.]



40.c4 bxc4 41.bxc4 Rxc4 42.Rb3 Ra4 43.Kf2 h5 44.g3

g5 45.h3 g4 46.hxg4 hxg4 47.Ke3 gxf3 48.Kxf3 Kg7 49.Kf2 Kg6 50.Kf3 Kg5 51.Ke3 f5 52.Kf2 Kg4 53.Kg2 e4 54.Kf2 Rc4 55.Re3 Rc2+ 56.Kf1 Rd2 57.Kg1 Rd3 0–1

Tom Brownscombe (2219) – David Blair (1958) Kansas Open Round 2

1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.d4 d6 4.c4 Nb6 5.f4 dxe5 6.fxe5 Nc6 7.Be3 Bf5 8.Nc3 e6 9.Be2 Be7 10.Nf3 0–0 11.0–0 f6 12.exf6 Bxf6 [diag.]



Ah, Alekhine’s Defence: Four Pawn Attack. Possible continuations with White: Qd2, Rad1; Black- Qe8-g6 Rad1. 13.h3 Qe7? 14.g4 Bg6 15.g5 Bxd4?? [15...Qd6] 16.Nxd4 Ne5 17.b3 Rad8 18.Rxf8+ Rxf8 19.Nf3 Bc2 In hopes of 20. Qxc2 Nxf3+ 21.Bxf3 Rxf3 20. Qf1 Qb4 21.Bd2? Black has several threats aiming towards white: Plan could be removing the knight from the c3 square and thus allowing the bishop on c2 to go to e4, attacking the pinned knight on f3 once more. A Better response to the move Qb4

would have been Nb5, attacking a7 & c7 pawns AND not removing control from the b6-g1 diagonal (Qc5 check possibilities). **21...Bd3 22.Ne4? 22...Bxe2?? [diag.]**



[22...Qe7 23.Nf6+ gxf6 24.Bxd3 ffg5 25.Be4 Nxf3+ 26.Bxf3 Qd6!] **23.Qxe2 Nxf3+ 24.Qxf3 Rxf3 25.Bxb4 Rxh3 26.Rf1 Nd7 27.Nc5 1-0**

Jason Wawrzaszek (1915) – Tom Brownscombe (2219) Kansas Open Round 3

1. e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Be2 Be7 7.Be3 0-0 8.0-0 a6 9.f4 Qc7 10.a4 [diag.]



Typical Sicilian Schemingen opening: White's Kingside play vs. Black's Queenside play. **10... b6 11.Bf3 Bb7 12.Kh1 Nbd7 13.Nb3 Nc5**

14.Nxc5 bxc5 15.g4 h6 16.g5 hfg5 17.fgg5 Nd7 18.Bg2 g6 19.Qg4 Kg7 20.Rf2 Ne5 21.Qg3 f5 22.gxf6+ Rxf6 23.Rxf6 Bxf6 24.Rf1 Qe7 25.Ne2 Rh8 26. Bh3?? [diag.]



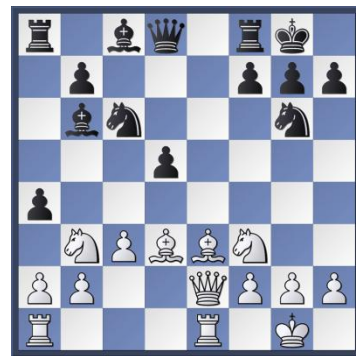
White had a solid position and it would take a lot of effort to break through but with White's last move, Black catalyzes the whole reaction.

26... Bxe4+ 27.Kg1 Bxc2 28.Nf4 Bf5 29.Bxf5 exf5 30.Nd5 Qf7 31.Qg2 Ng4 32.Nxf6 Nxe3 0-1

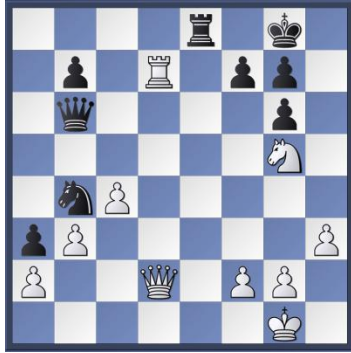
Tom Brownscombe (2219) – Conrad Holt (2297) Kansas Open Round 4

The two top seeds of the Open Section face off~!

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 Be7 4.Bd3 c5 5.dxc5 Bxc5 6.exd5 exd5 7.Nb3 Bb6 8.Qe2+ Ne7 9.Nf3 0-0 10.0-0 Nbc6 11.c3 Ng6 12.Re1 a5?! [Bg4 equalizes the position, pinning the f3 centralized knight] 13. Be3 a4 [diag. + picture on next page]



Opening: French Tarrasch. This was Siegbert Tarrasch's favorite defence against the Queen's gambit. General Move order is 1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. Nd2... which allows White to push the c-pawn if necessary. Also it removes the possibility of Bb4's pin with c3 countering. **14.Nbd4 Bg4 15.h3 Bxf3 16.Nxf3 a3 17.b3 Bxe3 18.Qxe3 Qf6 19.Bxg6 hxg6 20.Rad1 Rfd8 21.Rd3 Rac8 22.Red1 Re8 23.Qd2** Now the attack is on the isolated d-pawn on d5. White created a pseudo-Alekhine's gun, while Black has been shuffling rooks on c-d-e files. I'm still confused about the purpose of the a3 pawn... **23. Ne7?! 24.Re1 Rc7?** Now the pin on the knight exists, thus losing the protection of the d5 pawn. **25.Rxd5 Rf8 26.Rd7 Rxd7 27.Qxd7 Nc6 28.c4 Nb4 29.Qd2 Qb6 30.Re5 Nc6 31.Rd5 Re8 32.Rd7 Nb4 33.Ng5! [diag.]**



Now White is slowly capitalizing on the pawn, attacking the f7 pawn two times, with another possible attack Qf4. Fritz gives White a +5.76 score in this position. Continuation follows as Rf8, Qf4 and Nd3. All are bad for black, unfortunately. **33... f6 34.Rxg7+ Kxg7 35.Qd7+ Kh6 36.Nf7+ Kg7 37.Ne5+ Kh6 38.Ng4+ Kg5 39.Qxe8 Nxa2 40.Qe7 Nc1 41.c5 Qxb3 [diag.]**



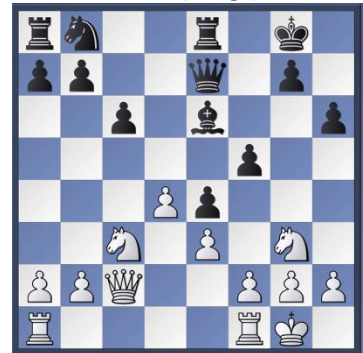
And now, forced mate in four in several different lines. **42. Qxf6+ Kh5 43.Qe5+ Kh4 44.Kh2 g5 45.Qh8# 1-0**

Tim Steiner (2046) – Tom Brownscombe (2219) Kansas Open Round 5

Tom Brownscombe is the tournament leader at this point and thus a draw would secure the state title. Tim Steiner had 3.5/4.0 going into the last round, thus a possibility of defeating FM

Brownscombe, though Brownscombe played it safe and played a “grandmaster-15 move drawn” game.

1. d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 d5 4.cxd5 exd5 5.Bg5 Be7 6.e3 0-0 7.Bd3 h6 8.Bh4 c6 9.Qc2 Re8 10.Nge2 Ne4 11.Bxe7 Qxe7 12.Bxe4 dxe4 13.Ng3 f5 14.0-0 Be6 [diag.]



15.Na4 Na6 16.a3 Qf7 [threatening Bb3] 17.Nc5 Bc4 18.Rfc1 Nxc5 19.dxc5 Bd3 ½-½ - Tom Brownscombe is the new 2009 State Champion!



Tom Brownscombe vs. Conrad Holt Round 4 of Kansas Open

Kansas Open 2009

Crosstables

2009 KANSAS OPEN-Open Section (July 11th-12th, 2009) (Kansas Residents except where indicated)

Player	Rtg	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Rd5	Total
1. Tom Brownscombe	2219	W12	W15	W4	W11	D2	4.5
2. Tim Steiner	2046	W6	W5	D11	W10	D1	4.0
3. Christopher Purdy	1852	L10	W16	W15	W8	W4	4.0
4. Jason Wawrzasek	1915	W16	W10	L1	W13	L3	3.0
5. Kyle Sciolaro	1610	W7	L2	D18	W15	D6	3.0
6. Judson Temple (OK)	1850	L2	D7	W20	W18	D5	3.0
7. Ken Fee (MO)	1893	L5	D6	W17	W12	D10	3.0
8. Kyle Camarda	1839	D20	W14	D13	L3	X18	3.0
9. David Meliti (CO)	1867	L11	W19	L10	W16	W13	3.0
10. James Ellis (IA)	2200	W3	L4	W9	L2	D7	2.5
11. Conrad Holt	2297	W9	W18	D2	L1	---	2.5
12. Ron Pasik	1856	L1	D17	W14	L7	D15	2.0
13. Terry Wright	1885	D14	W20	D8	L4	L9	2.0
14. Kyle Burris	1607	D13	L8	L12	D17	W19	2.0
15. David Blair	1958	W17	L1	L3	L5	D12	1.5
16. Andrew Latham	1662	L4	L3	W19	L9	D17	1.5
17. Polly Wright (NY)	1700	L15	D12	L7	D14	D16	1.5
18. Harold Linde	2002	W19	L11	D5	L6	F8	1.5
19. Will Teague	1782	L18	L9	L16	-B-	L14	1.0
20. Jose Gatica	2021	D8	L13	L6	---	---	0.5



2009 KANSAS OPEN-Reserve Section (July 11th-12th, 2009)

Player	Rtg	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Rd5	Total
1. Colby Stuckman	1349	W29	W22	W26	W3	W5	5.0
2. Tony Cheng	1589	W34	W10	W8	D5	W9	4.5
3. Blythe Buscher	1628	W17	W21	W15	L1	W8	4.0
4. Alex Esposito (MO)	1379	L8	W36	W24	W11	W13	4.0
5. Peter Rupprecht	1644	W14	W12	W11	D2	L1	3.5
6. Tom Phillips	1744	L10	D7	W28	W23	W16	3.5
7. Peter Bradshaw	1247	L22	D6	W20	W25	W19	3.5
8. Bill Quinlan	1765	W4	W13	L2	W16	L3	3.0
9. Steven Rand (MO)	1670	L21	W14	W12	W10	L2	3.0
10. Danny Tran	1401	W6	L2	W27	L9	W23	3.0
11. Joanna Gossell (MO)	1519	W23	W27	L5	L4	W21	3.0
12. Alex Hall (MO)	1360	W19	L5	L9	W24	W29	3.0
13. CJ Armenta (MO)	1426	W36	L8	W34	W17	L4	3.0
14. Duane Johnson	1280	L5	L9	W36	W31	W22	3.0
15. Ralph Bowman	1505	W35	W24	L3	W21	----	3.0
16. Vladimir Iglesias	1680	W30	D25	W18	L8	L6	2.5
17. Joel Stebbins (MO)	1247	L3	W37	W33	L13	D18	2.5
18. Justin Bartlow (OK)	1439	D32	W20	L16	D26	D17	2.5
19. Doug Meux (NE)	1716	L12	W32	W25	-b-	L7	2.5
20. Andrew Ritter	1284	D26	L18	L7	W36	W32	2.5
21. Jimmy Huggins	1320	W9	L3	W22	L15	L11	2.0
22. Dan Holmes	1629	W7	L1	L21	W34	L14	2.0
23. Bryan Jiang	1135	L11	W38	W30	L6	L10	2.0
24. Jantz Chappel	955	W33	L15	L4	L12	W35	2.0
25. Daryl Fouard	1443	W31	D16	L19	L7	D27	2.0
26. Kevin Nyberg	1660	D20	W28	L1	D18	----	2.0
27. Leroy Asher	1009	W37	L11	L10	D33	D25	2.0
28. Jason Pfortmiller	928	W38	L26	L6	L30	W34	2.0
29. Daniel Zhou	1673	L1	L34	W32	W35	L12	2.0
30. Tom Martin	1404	L16	W31	L23	W28	---	2.0
31. Ben McGregor	799	L25	L30	X38	L14	W36	2.0
32. Claudia Ritter	796	D18	L19	L29	-B-	L20	1.5
33. Ed Mefford	1500	L24	W35	L17	D27	---	1.5
34. Lyle Taylor	1149	L2	W29	L13	L22	L28	1.0
35. Christopher Anton	1086	L15	L33	W37	L29	L24	1.0
36. Nick Wideman	100	L13	L4	L14	L20	L31	0.0
37. James Bates (MO)	1504	L27	L17	L35	---	---	0.0
38. Shawn Treiber	1466	L28	L23	F31	---	---	0.0



QUICK TOURNEY (July 10th, 2009) (All Kansas residents except where indicated)

Player	Rtg	Rd1	Rd2	Rd3	Rd4	Rd5	Total
1. Conrad Holt	2206	W28	W12	W10	W2	W3	5.0
2. Tom Brownscombe	2083	W14	W9	W4	L1	W11	4.0
3. Maxx Coleman	2102	W18	W21	W6	W7	L1	4.0
4. Ken Fee (MO)	1772	W26	W13	L2	W19	W8	4.0
5. David Blair	1876	W29	W19	L7	W20	W9	4.0
6. Kyle Camarda	1807	W23	W8	L3	W17	D7	3.5
7. Kyle Sciolaro	1660	W32	W27	W5	L3	D6	3.5
8. Danny Tran	1200	W11	L6	W16	W15	L4	3.0
9. Andrew Latham	1654	W30	L2	W22	W10	L5	3.0
10. Jose Gatica	1932	W24	W17	L1	L9	W18	3.0
11. William Quinlan	1679	L8	W29	W24	W13	L2	3.0
12. Terry Wright	1738	W25	L1	L20	W23	W22	3.0
13. Vladimir Iglesias	1646	W16	L4	W28	L11	W19	3.0
14. Alex Esposito (MO)	1495	L2	L22	W31	W27	W21	3.0
15. Tom Phillips	1772	L17	W31	W18	L8	W20	3.0
16. Dan Holmes	1606	L13	W23	L8	D24	W17	2.5
17. Alex Hall (MO)	1257	W15	L10	W21	L6	L16	2.0
18. Peter Rupprecht	1597	L3	W25	L15	W30	L10	2.0
19. Polly Wright (NY)	1600	X33	L5	W27	L4	L13	2.0
20. Ralph Bowman	1488	L27	W32	W12	L5	L15	2.0
21. Judson Temple (OK)	1672	W22	L3	L17	W29	L14	2.0
22. Joel Stebbins (MO)	1141	L21	W14	L9	W28	L12	2.0
23. Steve Rand (MO)	1402	L6	L16	W25	L12	W28	2.0
24. CJ Armenta (MO)	1437	L10	W30	L11	D16	D27	2.0
25. Andrew Ritter	1215	L12	L18	L23	W32	W30	2.0
26. Jimmy Huggins	1274	L4	L28	L30	W31	W29	2.0
27. Harold Linde	2002	W20	L7	L19	L14	D24	1.5
28. Ron Pasik	1603	L1	W26	L13	L22	L23	1.0
29. Daryl Fouard	1433	L5	L11	W32	L21	L26	1.0
30. Shawn Treiber	1466	L9	L24	W26	L18	L25	1.0
31. Nick Wideman	100	-B-	L15	L14	L26	L32	1.0
32. Bryan Jiang	1074	L7	L20	L29	L25	W31	1.0
33. Liudmyla Mokriak	2121	F19	--	--	--	--	0.0

2009 KANSAS BUGHOUSE RESULTS (July 10th) Seven Game Round Robin- Eight teams

Team	Score
1. Danny Tran + Kyle Sciolaro	7.0 (2009 Kansas Champions)
2. Maxx Coleman + Conrad Holt	6.0
3. Ken Fee + Tony Dutiel	5.0
4. Jorge Sipaila + Ben Gradsky	4.0
5. Harold Linde + Tom Brownscombe	3.0
6. Dan Holmes + Kyle Camarda	2.0
7. Daryl Fouard + Terry Wright	1.0
8. Andrew Ritter + Laurence Coker	0.0

KCA USCF Tournaments

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By Brian Yang

At the annual KCA meeting, members present have approved a motion that would increase the number of USCF tournaments that could be hosted in the year by teaming up with its sub-branch, KSCA or Kansas Scholastic Chess Association. Almost every week, in all regions of Kansas, there is a KSCA tournament; from east Overland Park, to south of Witchia. Though, this does not mean that every KSCA tournament will be a USCF tournament or have an adult USCF section. In order to have a USCF tournament, the following criteria had to be met before the tournament date:

For these tournaments, both USCF and KCA memberships will be required. A USCF tournament will be run if the local tournament organizer agrees. Every tournament with this format must have a link/announcement on both the KCA and the KSCA websites. The scholastic TD may be the chief-TD of these tournaments or a separate USCF-certified TD may be supplied. All tournaments will be four rounds of Game 30. If the scholastic tournament has a longer time control, then that time control will be used. Rounds will have the same start times as Rounds 2-5 of the scholastic tournament; do note that there is no set starting times as rounds begins as soon as the last one finishes. Most of the playing boards will be in the same room as the scholastic tournament. The entry fee shall be the same as the students pay for the KSCA event. \$3.00 dollars of each entry fee will be submitted to KCA. The remaining \$2.00 will pay for USCF rating fees, with the balance to go to the TD/organizer. The only prize would be a deduction of \$1.00 dollar for every point scored, off the entry fee in the next Kansas Open. All adult players are expected to follow the "Code of Conduct" and Dress codes as required by that school. There shall be no special reimbursement from the KCA for these tournaments. Crosstables may be posted in *Plains Chess*.

Editor's Opinion (September 6, 2009): Just to indicate at this part is written in first person and truly only my opinion and does not reflect upon the KCA.

There are many unanswered questions that some may be wondering. **Why can a scholastic (non-USCF) TD direct the USCF tournament?** Most of the scholastic TDs are USCF TDs, and while some may not be, they are currently moving towards becoming a certified USCF TD. Most scholastic TDs are familiar with USCF rules as KSCA tournaments according to USCF rules. **Where can I buy KCA/USCF memberships?** Both USCF and KCA memberships may be purchased on-site. Buying USCF membership online at www.uschess.org is cheaper and faster than buying on-site. More Information on how to buy KCA memberships is on page 5. As a TD of my own USCF tournaments, I prefer players to pay only in **cash** when paying on-site. This allows the TD to submit membership batches, and tournament rating reports at the conclusion of the tournament without going to the bank and depositing checks. **What are the time controls?** Time controls are Game 30, but if one has a delay clock, time controls are Game 25 with 5 second delay after every move. This is a dual-rated time control so both your quick and your regular rating is affected. I caution those that want to play that this is a marathon-like chess tournament. There are no breaks (except the time left when you finished a game) in between rounds. Hope to see you in one of these tournaments as I will at be most of them! ~Ybriang

2009 Karpov Chess Camp

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By Tom Brownscombe

A total of 49 chess players attended the 2009 Karpov Chess camp held July 12-24 at the Anatoly Karpov International School of Chess in Lindsborg, KS. Although most campers were from Kansas, there were some were from Oklahoma, Nebraska, Indiana, New Mexico, and Tennessee. Campers ranged in age from 7 to adult. GM Varuzhan Akobian served as both chief chess instructor and soccer instructor for both sessions. FM Tom Brownscombe and 2008 Kansas state champion Christopher Purdy also served as instructors for both sessions, with Concordia chess coach Melissa Stiles pitching in as the beginners' chess coach for the larger first session.

The first session began immediately after the Kansas Open and ended on July 17th; the second session began on July 19th and ended on July 24th. Campers stayed at the Bethany College dorms and ate their meals at the cafeteria in the Student Union building, while instruction and chess activities took place at the Karpov Chess School. The chess activities for each session included a simultaneous exhibition by GM Var Akobian, a USCF rated G/30 tournament, a bughouse tournament, and two blitz tournaments, in addition to approximately 20 hours of chess instruction. Non-chess activities included soccer, swimming, and a birthday party.

In session 1, Timothy Martinson won the USCF rated tournament with 4.5/5.0 points. Jeff Serna won the first blitz tournament and finished clear second in the USCF rated tournament. Bailey Corry won the third place trophy in the USCF rated tournament on tie-breaks with 3.5 points. Austin Bailey won the trophy for top player rated U1000 in the USCF rated tournament with 3.5 points, and Nick Reinert won the trophy for top player rated U800 with 3 points. The team of Chris Anton and Jared Shelton won the first place bughouse trophy, and the team of Peter Bradshaw and Rachel Hasch took second place. Olivia Sloffer and Sam Stone also won bughouse trophies even though their partners were not eligible to win trophies, as their partners were instructors. Matt Woodrell won a trophy for a perfect score of 11 out of 11 in his group blitz tournament, and Malik Bauer also won a blitz trophy for his result of 8.5/9.0 in his group blitz tournament. Kyle Burris took home the overall puzzle solving championship trophy as well as the 2nd place trophy from the Monday night blitz tournament. Isabella Harvey and Rachel Hasch also won trophies for best puzzle solving within their groups.

In session 2, Charles Kinzel won the USCF rated tournament with 4.5/5.0. Mason Lindsey took clear 2nd in the USCF rated tournament with 4 points. Edward Wilson finished third in the USCF rated tournament and also won the Monday night blitz tournament. Chris Coyle and Matt Richert won trophies in the main tournament for being the top scoring players rated U800. Matt Richert also won the 2nd place trophy in the Monday night blitz tournament. Seth Duran and John Mayhew won the round robin blitz tournaments. The team of Kenner Sernel and Ragan Sernel won the bughouse tournament, with the team of Roy Wedge and Seth Duran finishing second and the team of Mason

Lindsey and John Mayhew finishing third. Roy Wedge won the trophy for overall puzzle solving, while Mike Christian and Kenner Sernel also took home trophies for their puzzle solving efforts.

I would like to thank all of the people who helped to make this camp special. My fellow instructors GM Var Akobian, Chris Purdy, and Melissa Stiles were fantastic. Layton Cobb, Noah Purdy, and Emily Hasch served as counselors for both sessions. I look forward to having all of these fine people at next year's camp. Dan Masterson volunteered his time as camp photographer, and many of Dan's photographs can be found at <http://www.anatolykarpovchessschool.org/chesscamps.html> thanks to the efforts of camp webmaster Wes Fisk. Appreciation goes to all of the folks at Bethany College and the Lindsborg recreation department who supported our chess camp. Also, special thanks go to donation coordinator, Marck Cobb, and all of the individuals and businesses that made a donation to the camp. Thirteen campers received either a full or partial scholarship to the camp due to these generous donations.

Next year's chess camp will take place July 11-23. Anyone wishing to make a donation to support next year's chess camp scholarship fund should contact Marck Cobb at info@anatolykarpovchessschool.org or call (785) 227-2224. All donations are tax deductible.



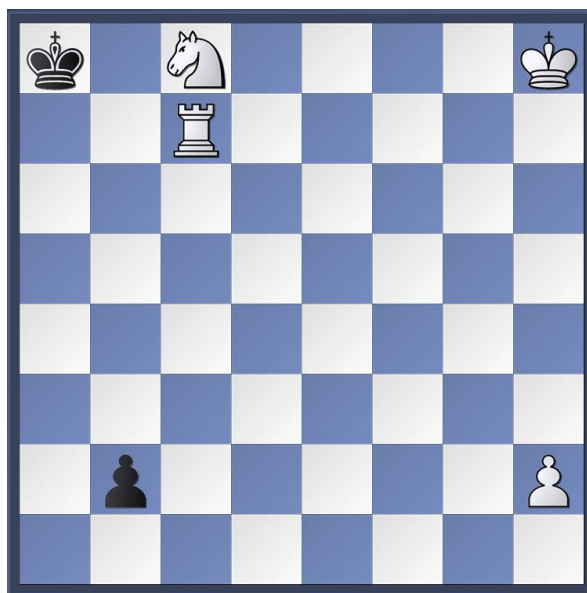
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