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The **Port Huron Chess Club** meets Thursdays, except holidays, from 6:30-10:00 PM, at Palmer Park Recreation Center, 2829 Armour Street, (NE corner of Garfield Street and Gratiot Ave...1 mile North of the Blue Water Bridge) Port Huron, Michigan. Everyone is welcome. All equipment provided. Email: PtHuronChessClub@aol.com or Website: <http://porthuronchessclub.yolasite.com>

Avdic takes the gold in the 2022 PHCC Championships

Dates: 1/13 1/20 1/27 2/10 2/17 2/24 3/10 3/17 3/24

#	Name/Rtng	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Rd 6	Rd 7	Rd 8	Rd 9	Totals
1	Huso Avdic	B 9	W 8	B 7	W 6	B 5	W 4	B 3	W 2	W 10	
	2092	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0.5	1	8.5
2	Alan Gregg	B 8	W 7	B 6	W 5	B 4	W 3	W 10	B 1	W 9	
	1918	1	1	1	1	0.5	1	1	0.5	0	7
3	Eric Rood	B 7	W 6	B 5	W 4	W 10	B 2	W 1	B 9	W 8	
	1883	1		0.5	0.5	0	0	0	1	1	4
4	Matt Morabito	B 6	W 5	W 10	B 3	W 2	B 1	W 9	B 8	W 7	
	1861	0.5	0.5	1	0.5	0.5	0	1	0	1	5
5	Lon Rutkofske	W 10	B 4	W 3	B 2	W 1	B 9	W 8	B 7	W 6	
	1731	1	0.5	0.5	0	0	1		1	1	5
6	Braeden Klaty	W 4	B 3	W 2	B 1	W 9	B 8	W 7	B 10	B 5	
	1719	0.5		0	0	1	0	1	1	0	3.5
7	Bill Wingrove	W 3	B 2	W 1	B 9	W 8	B 10	B 6	W 5	B 4	
	1534	0	0	0	1	0	0.5	0	0	0	1.5
8	Drew Malburg	W 2	B 1	W 9	B 10	B 7	W 6	B 5	W 4	B 3	
	1348	0	0	1	0	1	1		1	0	4
9	Brad Klaty	W 1	B 10	B 8	W 7	B 6	W 5	B 4	W 3	B 2	
	1222	0	0.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1.5
10	Trenton Klaty	B 5	W 9	B 4	W 8	B 3	W 7	B 2	W 6	B 1	
	1171	0	0.5	0	1	1	0.5	0	0	0	3

Huso Avdic notched his second consecutive club championship crown in another undefeated performance that included a bevy of would-be challengers eager to upset the “king”! Facing a somewhat grueling multi-month schedule, contestants braved the elements, which included a pair of canceled club meetings, marshalling through with only three makeup games to mar what turned out to be a rather smooth-running gauntlet. **Alan Gregg** captured the second-place prize, with **Drew Malburg** nabbing the under 1700 award. Top Junior went to **Braeden Klaty**, as dad, **Brad Klaty** secured the upset prize capturing some cash in a stunning last round upending of Alan Gregg. Awards night will be held at the club on April 28, 2022 at 7:00 pm.

PHCC's Rogues Gallery of Contestants!



Huso Avdic
2022 Club Champion

Alan Gregg
2nd Place

Drew Malburg
Top Under 1700

Braeden Klaty
2022 Junior Champ

Brad Klaty
Upset Prize Winner



Eric Rood vs. Lon Rutkofske



Huso Avdic vs. Bill Wingrove



Trenton Klaty vs. Matt Morabito



Braeden Klaty vs. Alan Gregg



Non-combatant: Club member- Gerrit Beneker



Standing: Photographer in Chief: Brad Klaty

Members' Games



Please send me what you consider your best games, annotated or not, so that I might be able to showcase them. The following games represent contests that have been available at the time of this printing. Email them to me or give them to me personally, if you wish. Majority of analyses is done by Fritz 12, unless otherwise indicated. [This a reminder of the change in policy in the PHCC Challenge rules: # 14 - Games can be rated by the USCF, provided both players are members in good standing with the USCF and agree to have it rated by paying in advance to the TD (Lon Rutkofske, or other club official with a valid TD certification card.) of \$1.50@ to cover rating costs.] Updated Challenge rules will follow below:

Format and rules for PHCC Challenge System

- I. Purpose: to provide club members the opportunity to challenge higher rated players on a regular basis to improve and test their skills in over the board non-tournament competition.
- II. Regulations: (Effective 11-8-2018)
 - a. Challenges may be made by any club member on the PHCC rating list under the following circumstances:
 1. Can only be made only by a lower rated player.
 2. Can only be made during club hours and cannot be made after 8:00PM.
 3. Must be played on the same day as the challenge was made, so there can be no advanced challenges.
 4. Both players must be present.
 5. Only one challenge may be made per meeting.
 6. Challenger can only challenge a player that is rated less than 400 points above him on the rating list.
 7. All challenges must be accepted.
 8. No challenge may be made while a participant is involved in a tournament or challenge game.
 9. A clock must be used with the time control of G/60 with 5 second delay; must be recorded by both players and submitted to the rating director upon completion of the game. **(See Sample Score Sheet on page 2)**
 10. All challenge games must comply with current tournament rules of chess as established by the US Chess Federation.
 11. No challenge game may be adjourned, but if an unusual circumstance arises, the club rating director may adjudicate.
 12. No member may be challenged more than one consecutive time by the same challenger. This means that the lower rated player cannot challenge the same player two times in a row. He/she must play another match before this can take place, but this also means that the higher rated player may be challenged by the same rated player consecutively if he has not participated in a match in between challenges within a six- week period. Abuse (I.E: Constant challenges and re-challenges or other annoying or inconsiderate behavior) must be reported to the Director and he has the option of suspending the violator indefinitely from participation in the Challenge system. Disputes will be adjudicated by the ratings director, with the advice of other players as he so wishes.
 13. Challenges can take place on the first Thursday of each month, or at any time there is no other tournament or event scheduled.
 14. **Games can be rated by the USCF**, provided both players are members in good standing with the USCF and agree to have it rated by paying in advance to the TD (Lon Rutkofske, or other club official with a valid TD certification card.) of \$1.50@ to cover rating costs.
 15. Results will be rated by the PHCC (Using the USCF rating system.) using current PHCC ratings posted at the club and will be adjusted as necessary by the club rating director. Changes will also be posted on the club website.

Games from the 2022 PHCC Championships

Round 5 games

Morabito,Matthew (1861) -
Gregg,Alan (1918) [A04] K-I
Attack

2022 PHCC Championships
Port Huron (5), 03.03.2022

1.Nf3 g6 2.g3 Bg7 3.Bg2 f5 4.Nc3
Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.e4 Nc6 7.0-0 0-0
8.Re1 e5 9.Bg5 Ne7 10.d4 fxe4
11.Nxe4 Nxe4 12.Rxe4 h6
13.Bxe7 Qxe7 14.dxe5 dxe5
15.Nxe5 Qf6 16.f4 Qb6+ 17.Kh1
Kh7 18.Nd7 Bxd7 19.Qxd7 Rad8
20.Qe6 Qxb2 21.Rae1 Qxc2
22.R4e2 Qf5 23.Qxf5 Rxf5
24.Bxb7 ½-½

Rutkofske,Lonnie (1731) -
Avdic,Huso (2029) [A38]
Symmetrical English

2022 PHCC Championships
Port Huron (5), 03.03.2022

1.c4 c5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2
Bg7 5.Nc3 0-0 6.0-0 Nc6 7.Re1
d5 8.cxd5 Nxd5 9.a3 b6 10.Qc2
Bb7 11.d3 Rc8 12.Bh3 Nd4
13.Qd1 Nxf3+ 14.exf3 Nxc3
15.bxc3 e6 16.Bb2 Qd5 17.Re4
Rfd8 18.Bf1 Qh5 19.Re3 Rd7
20.f4 Qd5 21.f3 Rcd8 22.Qc2
Qf5 23.Rae1 c4 24.Qd2 Qa5
25.Kg2 cxd3 26.Rd1 Ba6 27.g4
h5 28.Kg3 Bc4 29.Bh3 Qc5
30.Rde1 Rd5 31.Re4 b5 32.g5
Qc7 33.Kg2 Rc5 34.a4 Bd5
35.Re5 b4 36.Qxd3 bxc3 37.Ba3
Rc4 38.R5e3 Bxf3+ 39.Rxf3 Rxd3
40.Rxd3 Qxf4 41.Bc1 Qc7
42.Red1 Be5 43.Kh1 c2 44.Rd8+
Kg7 45.R8d7 cxd1Q+ 0-1

Rood,Eric (1883) -
Klaty,Trenton (1171) [A45]
Trompowsky Attack

2022 PHCC Championships
Port Huron (5), 03.03.2022

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bf4 g6 3.Nc3 a6 4.e4
d6 5.Qd2 Bg7 6.Bh6 0-0 7.Bxg7
Kxg7 8.h4 c5 9.d5 b5 10.f3 h5
11.Nh3 b4 12.Nd1 Bxh3 13.Rxh3
Nbd7 14.Ne3 Ne5 15.Rg3 Kh7
16.Bd3 a5 17.Rg5 Qc7 18.f4

Neg4 19.Nxg4 Nxg4 20.f5 Ne5
21.Be2 Rh8 22.Bxh5 Kg7 23.Bf3
Rxh4 24.0-0-0 Rah8 25.fxg6
fxg6 26.Qe3 Qd8 27.g3 Rh2
28.Rf1 Qf8 29.Be2 Rh1 30.Rxh1
Rxh1+ 31.Bd1 Qf1 32.Qd2 Nf3
0-1

Wingrove,William (1534) -
Malburg,Drew (1387) [B12]

Caro-Kann Advance Variation

2022 PHCC Championships Port
Huron (5), 03.03.2022

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.Nf3 e6
5.Be2 c5 6.Be3 Qb6 7.Nc3 Nc6
8.Rb1 cxd4 9.Bxd4 Nxd4
10.Nxd4 Ne7 11.0-0 a6 12.Re1
Bg6 13.Kh1 Nc6 14.Nxc6 bxc6
15.Bd3 Bc5 16.Na4 Qa7 17.Nxc5
Qxc5 18.f4 Rb8 19.Bxg6 hxg6
20.Qd3 a5 21.c3 Ke7 22.Red1
Rh4 23.Qg3 Rbh8 24.h3 Qc4
25.Rf1 Qc5 26.Qd3 Qb6 27.b3 c5
28.Rbd1 Qc6 29.Rc1 d4 30.cxd4
Rxh3+ 31.Qxh3 Rxh3+ 32.Kg1
Rg3 33.Rf2 Qe4 34.dxc5 Re3
35.Rcc2 Qd4 36.c6 Rc3 37.Rcd2
Qc5 38.Kh2 Qxc6 39.Rd6 Qc8
40.Rfd2 Qh8+ 41.Kg1 Rc1+
42.Kf2 Qh4+ 43.Ke2 Qg4+
44.Kd3 Rd1 45.Kc2 Rxd2+
46.Kxd2 Qxf4+ 47.Kc2 Qxe5 0-1

Klaty,Braeden (1719) -

Klaty,Brad (1222) [C60] Ruy
Lopez

2022 PHCC Championships Port
Huron (5), 03.03.2022

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Bd6
4.d4 exd4 5.Nxd4 a6 6.Ba4 Qh4
7.Nc3 Bb4 8.Qd3 Ne5 9.Qe3 Nf6
10.Nf5 Bxc3+ 11.bxc3 Qxe4
12.Nxg7+ Kd8 13.Qxe4 Nxe4
14.f3 Rg8 15.Bh6 Nf6 16.Kf2 d6
17.Bg5 Ke7 18.Bxf6+ Kxf6
19.Ne8+ Ke7 20.Nxc7 Ra7
21.Nd5+ Kf8 22.Nf6 Rg7
23.Rhd1 Nc4 24.Bb3 b5 25.Bxc4
bxc4 26.Ne4 Bf5 27.Rxd6 Ke7
28.Rc6 Bxe4 29.fxe4 Rd7
30.Rxc4 Rd2+ 31.Ke3 Rxc2
32.Rc6 Rgxg2 33.Rxa6 Rxh2
34.Ra7+ Kf8 35.Rc7 Rh3+ 36.Kd4

Rd2+ 37.Ke5 Rd8 38.Rf1 Re8+
39.Kd4 Re7 40.Rxe7 Kxe7 41.a4
Ke6 42.a5 Rh2 43.Ra1 Rb2 44.a6
Rb8 45.a7 Ra8 46.Kc5 Kd7
47.Kb6 Kc8 48.Rh1 Kd7 49.Kb7
Rc8 50.a8Q Rc7+ 51.Kb6 Rc8
52.Qxc8+ Kd6 53.Rxh7 Ke5
54.Rxf7 Kxe4 55.Qe6+ 1-0

Round 6 games

Avdic,Huso (2029) -
Morabito,Matthew (1861)
[A24] English Opening

2022 PHCC Championships Port
Huron (6), 24.02.2022

1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.g3
0-0 5.Bg2 d6 6.0-0 e5 7.d4 exd4
8.Nxd4 c6 9.b3 Na6 10.Bb2 Nc7
11.e4 d5 12.exd5 cxd5 13.cxd5
Nfxd5 14.Nxd5 Nxd5 15.Qd2
Rb8 16.Rfe1 b6 17.Nc6 1-0

Gregg,Alan (1918) - Rood,Eric
(1883) [A06] Reti Opening

2022 PHCC Championships
Port Huron (6), 24.02.2022

1.b3 d5 2.Bb2 Bg4 3.Nf3 Bxf3
4.exf3 Nf6 5.g3 g6 6.Bg2 Bg7
7.0-0 e6 8.d3 0-0 9.Nd2 c5 10.f4
Nc6 11.Nf3 Nd7 12.Bxg7 Kxg7
13.c3 Qf6 14.Qd2 Rac8 15.Rac1
Rfd8 16.d4 cxd4 17.cxd4 Qe7
18.Rfe1 Qb4 19.Qb2 a5 20.a3
Qb6 21.Rc2 Ne7 22.Rc5 Kg8
23.Rcc1 Rxc1 24.Rxc1 Rc8
25.Rxc8+ Nxc8 26.Qc3 Ne7
27.Bf1 Nc6 28.Bd3 Kg7 29.Kg2
Nf6 30.h3 Ne4 31.Bxe4 dxe4
32.d5+ Kg8 33.dxc6 exf3+
34.Qxf3 Qxc6 35.Qxc6 bxc6
36.Kf3 Kf8 37.Ke4 Ke7 38.g4 f6
39.g5 c5 40.h4 Kf7 41.Kd3 e5
42.Kc4 fxg5 43.fxg5 Ke6 44.Kxc5
Kf5 45.b4 axb4 46.axb4 1-0

Klaty,Brad (1222) -
Rutkofske,Lonnie (1731) [B08]
Classical Pirc

2022 PHCC Championships
Port Huron (6), 24.02.2022

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nf3 d6 4.Nc3
Nf6 5.Bf4 0-0 6.h4 Bg4 7.Be2

Nbd7 8.Qd3 Nh5 9.Bh2 c5 10.0-0 a6 11.Ng5 Bxe2 12.Qxe2 cxd4 13.Nb1 Qb6 14.g4 d3 15.Rxd3 Qxb2+ 16.Kd2 Nc5 17.Rf3 Nf6 18.Qc4 Rac8 19.Ke2 h6 20.Nh3 Ncxe4 21.Qb3 Rxc2+ 22.Kf1 Qxb1+ 23.Qxb1 Nd2+ 24.Kg2 Nxb1 25.Rxb1 b5 26.Ra3 Rc6 27.Nf4 Nxc4 28.Bg1 Rfc8 29.f3 Rc2+ 30.Kh3 Ne5 31.Nd5 Bf6 32.Rbb3 R8c4 33.f4 Nc6 34.Ne3 R4c3 35.Rxc3 Rxc3 36.Rxc3 Bxc3 37.Nd5 Bf6 38.Kg3 Kg7 39.Kf3 e6 40.Nxf6 Kxf6 41.Be3 Kf5 42.a3 d5 43.Bc5 Na5 44.Bd4 Nc4 45.Bc5 f6 46.Be7 e5 47.fxe5 Nxe5+ 48.Kg3 h5 49.Bc5 Ke4 50.Be7 Ng4 51.Bd6 d4 52.Bf4 d3 53.Bd2 Ne3 54.Kf2 Nc4 55.Bb4 f5 56.Ke1 f4 0-1

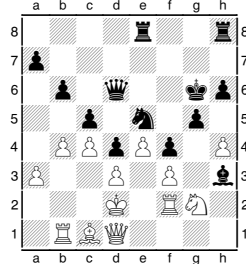
Klaty,Trenton (1171) -
Wingrove,William (1534) [D70]
Grunfeld
2022 PHCC Championships
Port Huron (6), 24.02.2022
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.f3 d5 4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.e4 Nb6 6.Nc3 Bg7 7.Nge2 Nc6 8.Be3 Nc4 9.Bf2 Nxb2 10.Qc2 Nc4 11.Rd1 Nb6 12.h4 h5 13.d5 Ne5 14.Bd4 0-0 15.Nf4 Bd7 16.Bb5 Rc8 17.Qb3 c5 18.dxc6 Nxc6 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.g3 Qc7 21.Kf2 a6 22.Ncd5 Nxd5 23.Nxd5 Qa5 24.Bxc6 Bxc6 25.Kg2 Bxd5 26.Rxd5 Qc3 27.Qxb7 Qc2+ 28.Kh3 Qxa2 29.Qxe7 Qc4 30.Qe5+ Kg8 31.Qf4 Qc6 32.Ra1 Qe6+ 33.g4 hxg4+ 34.Qxg4 Qxg4+ 35.Kxg4 Rc6 36.Raa5 f6 37.h5 gxh5+ 38.Rxh5 Rf7 39.Raf5 Rg7+ 40.Kf4 Rh7 41.Kg4 Rg7+ ½-½

Malburg,Drew (1348) -
Klaty,Braeden (1719) [C07]
French Tarrasch
2022 PHCC Championships
Port Huron (6), 24.02.2022
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Ngf3 Qb6 6.exd5 exd5 7.Nb3 cxd4 8.Nfxd4 Nf6 9.Be3 Qd8 10.Bb5 Bd7 11.0-0 Be7 12.Bd3 0-0 13.Nf5 Ne5 14.Nxe7+ Qxe7 15.Bc5 Qd8 16.Bxf8 Kxf8 17.Be2 Bc6 18.Nd4

Bd7 19.Nc2 Be6 20.Ne3 Qb6 21.Qb3 Qc7 22.Rfd1 Kg8 23.Qc2 Qa5 24.b4 Qc7 25.a4 Rc8 26.Rac1 Ne4 27.c4 d4 28.Qxe4 dxe3 29.Qxe3 Nxc4 30.Bxc4 Bxc4 31.Re1 Qd7 32.Rxc4 1-0

Round 7 games

Gregg,Alan (1918) -
Klaty,Trenton (1171) [A01]
2022 PHCC Championships
Port Huron (7), 10.03.2022
[alan1]
1.b3 e5 2.Bb2 Nc6 3.e3 Nf6 4.c4 d5 5.a3 Bd6 6.Nc3 Be6 7.Nf3 h6 8.Nb5 0-0 9.Nxd6 Qxd6 10.d3 d4 11.e4 Ne7 12.Be2 Ng6 13.Bc1 c5 14.0-0 Rae8 15.b4 Nd7 16.Rb1 b6 17.Ne1 f5 18.Bh5 Kh7 19.f3 f4 20.Bxg6+ Kxg6 21.g3 Kh7 22.gxf4 [Black is clearly better, but I wanted to mess things up.] 22...exf4 23.Ng2 g5 24.Rf2 Ne5 25.h4 Kg6 26.Kf1 Rh8 27.Ke1 Bh3 28.Kd2 [Diagram] [28.bxc5 equal.]



28...Ref8 29.Kc2 Rf7 [29...Qd7 Black is much better!] 30.Qg1 Qd7 [May be the losing move.] 31.Nxf4+ Kh7 32.hxg5 Qa4+ 33.Rb3 Rxf4 34.Bxf4 [34.Kb2 Rxf3 35.Rxf3 Nxf3 36.g6+ Kg7 White is much better. 37.Qg3] 34...Nxd3 35.g6+ Kg7 36.Bh2 [36.Qg3 Nxb4+ 37.axb4 Qa2+ 38.Rb2 Qxc4+ 39.Kb1 Qd3+ 40.Kc1 Qc4+ 41.Rbc2 This is much better for White as I was going to play Qg3 but thought I lost the queen to a knight check!] 36...Nxb4+ 37.axb4 Qa2+ 38.Rb2 Qxc4+ 39.Kb1 Qd3+ 40.Rfc2 Rc8 41.Be5+ Kg8 42.Kc1 Qe3+ [Black's last mistake, after this there is no way back.] [42...Qxf3 43.bxc5 Qxe4 44.Bxd4

Re8 45.cxb6 axb6 46.Rxb6] 43.Qxe3 dxe3 44.bxc5 e2 45.Rxe2 [I now make a small mistake as Kd2 was much better.] [45.Kd2] 45...Rxc5+ 46.Rbc2 Rxe5 47.f4 Re8 48.f5 Bg4 [48...Kg7 49.Rc7+ Kf6 50.Rc6+ Ke5 51.g7 Rg8 52.f6 Be6 53.Rf2 Bf7 54.Rc7 Bg6 55.Re7+ Kd4 56.Rd2+ Ke3 57.Rg2 Rc8+ 58.Kb2 Bh5 59.Rh2 Bg6 60.Rxh6] 49.f6 Rf8 50.Rf2 a5 51.Rc6 b5 52.Rc5 Bd7 53.e5 a4 54.Rd2 Be6 55.Rxb5 a3 56.Ra5 a2 57.Kd1 Rb8 58.Ke2 Bc4+ 59.Kf2 Be6 60.Rdxa2 Bxa2 61.Rxa2 [Black was much better for most of the game but failed to find the right moves. After Nxf4 I was winning, but failed to play the best moves. Trenton will only get better. I believe he has played very well throughout the tournament, but slipped up in the middle game after playing good opening play.] 1-0

Rood,Eric (1883) - Avdic,Huso (2092) [A45] Trompowsky Attack
2022 PHCC Championships
Port Huron (7), 10.03.2022
1.d4 Nf6 2.Bf4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Nb5 Na6 5.c4 Bg7 6.e3 0-0 7.Nf3 c5 8.Nc3 Bg4 9.cxd5 Nxd5 10.Bxa6 Nxf4 11.exf4 cxd4 12.0-0 bxa6 13.Ne4 Qd5 14.Qd3 Rfd8 15.Nfd2 Bd7 16.Rfc1 Bb5 17.Qb3 d3 18.Rab1 Qxb3 19.Nxb3 f5 20.Ned2 Rac8 21.Nc5 Rd5 22.b4 Bd4 23.Ncb3 Rc2 24.Rxc2 dxc2 25.Rc1 Bd3 26.Nxd4 Rxd4 27.a3 Be4 28.Nb3 Rd1+ 29.Rxd1 cxd1Q# 0-1
Klaty,Braeden (1719) -
Wingrove,William (1534) [B25]
Closed Sicilian
2022 PHCC Championships
Port Huron (7), 10.03.2022
1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 d6 3.g3 Nf6 4.Bg2 Nc6 5.d3 g6 6.f4 Bg7 7.Nf3 0-0 8.0-0 a6 9.Be3 Qc7 10.Nh4 e6 11.f5 exf5 12.exf5 Ne5 13.Nd5 Nxd5 14.Bxd5 Kh8?? 15.f6 Bxf6 16.Rxf6 Ng4 17.Rf3 Qe7 18.Bd2 Be6 19.Bxe6 Qxe6 20.Qe1 Qd5

21.Qe4 Qxe4 22.dxe4 Ne5
23.Bc3 Kg8 24.Bxe5 dxe5 25.Rd3
Rfd8 26.Rad1 1-0

Morabito,Matthew (1861) -
Klaty,Brad (1222) [C62] Ruy
Lopez: Steinitz

2022 PHCC Championships
Port Huron (7), 10.03.2022

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 d6 4.d4
exd4 5.Nxd4 Bd7 6.Nxc6 bxc6
7.Bc4 Nf6 8.Nc3 Be7 9.0-0 0-0
10.h3 Rb8 11.Bb3 a5 12.Bf4 Bc8
13.e5 dxe5 14.Qxd8 Rxd8
15.Bxe5 [15...Ne8 was best here,
because it frees up Black's pieces
allowing moves like Ba8 and
Nd6.] 15...Rb7 16.a3 c5 17.Rab1
c6 18.Ba4 Bd7 19.Rfd1 Rc8
20.Rd2 Be8 [Probably best here
is 20...Nd5 freeing up the N and
forcing some exchanges.]
21.Bxf6 Bxf6 22.Ne4 Be5?! [Best
here was probably Be7
controlling all of the dark
squares and protecting the c5
pawn. also permitting Black's K
to get to f8 and toward the
center.] 23.Re2 Rxb2 24.Rxb2
Bxb2 25.Nd6 Rd8 26.Rxe8+ Rxe8
27.Nxe8 Bxa3 28.Nd6 Kf8
29.Nc4 Bb4 30.Kf1 Ke7 31.Ke2
Ke6 32.Bxc6 f5 33.Kd3 Be1 34.f3
g5 35.Ke2 Bc3 36.Kd3 Be1 37.c3
g4 38.hxg4 fxg4 39.fxg4 Bg3
40.Nxa5 Kd6 41.Bf3 Kc7 42.Nc4
Bh4 43.Ne3 Bf6 44.Nd5+ 1-0

Round 9 games

Avdic,Huso (2092) -
Klaty,Trenton (1171) [D33]

Tarrasch Defense

2022 PHCC Championships
Port Huron (9), 24.03.2022

1.c4 e6 2.Nc3 d5 3.d4 c5 4.cxd5
exd5 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.g3 Nf6 7.Bg2
Bd6 8.0-0 Bd7 9.Bg5 Be6 10.e4
Nxd4 11.exd5 Bg4 12.Qe1+ Kf8
13.Nxd4 cxd4 14.Ne4 Be7 15.d6
Bxd6 16.Nxf6 gxf6 17.Bh6+ Kg8
18.Qe4 Be6 19.Qxd4 Bf8 20.Qh4

Bg7 21.Rad1 Qa5 22.b4 Qb5
23.a4 Qe5 24.Rfe1 Qf5 25.Rd4
Bxh6 26.Qxh6 Qg5 27.Qh4 Rb8
28.Qe4 Kg7 29.h4 Qg6 30.Qf4 b5
31.a5 Rhc8 32.Be4 Qh6 33.Qf3
Rc1 34.Rxc1 Qxc1+ 35.Kh2 Qc8
36.Qh5 f5 37.Qg5+ Kh8 38.Qf6+
Kg8 39.Bf3 Qc2 40.Kg2 Qb3
41.h5 h6 42.Qxh6 Qc3 43.Qf6
Qc8 44.h6 Qf8 45.h7+ 1-0

Rutkofske,Lonnie (1731) -
Klaty,Braeden (1714) [A14]

2022 PHCC Championships
Port Huron (9), 24.03.2022

1.c4 Nf6 2.g3 e6 3.Bg2 d5 4.Nf3
Be7 5.0-0 0-0 6.cxd5 exd5 7.b3
c6 8.Bb2 Bg4 9.Re1 Re8 10.d3
Nbd7 11.Nbd2 Bd6 12.e4 dxe4
13.dxe4 Bb4 14.Qc2 Nc5 15.Bxf6
Qxf6 16.e5 Qh6 17.Re3 Ne6
18.Qe4 Bxf3 19.Qxb4 Bxg2
20.Kxg2 b6 21.Nf3 c5 22.Qc4
Rad8 23.Rae1 Nd4 24.a4 Nxf3
25.Rxf3 Qe6 26.Qa6 Re7
27.Rfe3 Qd5+ 28.Kg1 Qd4
29.Qe2 Rd5 30.Qf3 h6 31.Re4
Qd3 32.R1e3 Qd1+ 33.Kg2
Qxf3+ 34.Kxf3 Red7 35.h4 a6
36.b4 cxb4 37.Rxb4 b5 38.axb5
axb5 39.Kg4 Rc7 40.f4 Kf8
41.Reb3 Rcc5 42.h5 Ke7 43.Ra3
Rd7 44.Ra6 f6 45.exf6+ gxf6
46.Re4+ Kf7 47.Ree6 f5+ 48.Kh3
Kg7 49.Rg6+ Kh7 50.Rxh6+ Kg7
51.Rag6+ 1-0

Morabito,Matthew (1861) -
Wingrove,William (1534) [A04]
KI Attack

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Port Huron (9), 24.03.2022

1.Nf3 c5 2.d3 Nc6 3.Nbd2 d6
4.g3 g6 5.Bg2 Bg7 6.0-0 e5 7.c3
Nge7 8.Rb1 a5 9.b3 0-0 10.Bb2
h6 11.e4 Be6 12.Nc4 b5 13.Ne3
Qd7 14.d4 cxd4 15.cxd4 exd4
16.Nxd4 Nxd4 17.Bxd4 Bxd4
18.Qxd4 Rad8 19.Nd5 Nxd5
20.exd5 Bh3 21.Rbc1 Bxg2
22.Kxg2 Rc8 23.Qd2 Qb7
24.Rcd1 Rc5 25.Kg1 Kh7 26.Rfe1

b4 27.Re4 Rfc8 28.Rh4 h5
29.Qd3 Kg7 30.Qd4+ Kg8 31.g4
Re8 32.gxh5 Re5 33.hxg6 Rxd5
34.gxf7+ Kg7 35.Rg4+ Kf8
36.Qa1 Rxd1+ 37.Qxd1 Qe7
38.Qf3 Rg5 39.h3 Rxg4+ 40.hxg4
Qe5 41.Kg2 d5 42.Qe3 Qxe3
43.fxe3 Kxf7 44.Kf3 Ke7 45.Kf4
Ke6 46.g5 1-0

Rood,Eric (1883) -
Malburg,Drew (1387) [A45]

Trompowsky Attack

2022 PHCC Championships
Port Huron (9), 24.03.2022

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bf4 c5 3.e3 Qb6
4.Qc1 cxd4 5.Nf3 dxe3 6.Bxe3
Qc7 7.c4 Nc6 8.Nc3 e6 9.Be2 Be7
10.0-0 0-0 11.Nb5 Qd8 12.c5
Nd5 13.Bd2 b6 14.cxb6 Qxb6
15.a3 Ba6 16.Nc3 Nxc3 17.Bxa6
Qxa6 18.Bxc3 Rfc8 19.Qf4 f6
20.Rfe1 Rab8 21.Rad1 Rd8 22.g4
h6 23.h4 Rf8 24.Rxd7 Rb7
25.Rxb7 Qxb7 26.Rxe6 Qc7
27.Qc4 Kh7 28.Qxc6 1-0

Gregg,Alan (1918) - Klaty,Brad
(1222) [D00] QP Game

2022 PHCC Championships
Port Huron (9), 24.03.2022

1.d4 d5 2.Bf4 Nf6 3.e3 a6 4.Bd3
h6 5.Nd2 Nc6 6.c3 e6 7.h3 Bd6
8.Ne2 Qe7 9.Bxd6 Qxd6 10.f4 g5
11.0-0 g4 12.h4 Bd7 13.g3 0-0-
0 14.b4 b5 15.a4 Rdg8 16.axb5
axb5 17.Bxb5 Kd8 18.Ra8+ Ke7
19.Rxg8 Rxg8 20.Bd3 Ra8
21.Qc2 Nh5 22.Kh2 f5 23.Nb3
Nf6 24.Nc5 Nd8 25.Qb2 Qb6
26.Ra1 Rxa1 27.Qxa1 Bb5
28.Qa5 Bxd3 29.Qxb6 cxb6
30.Nxd3 Ne4 31.Ne5 Nb7 32.c4
dxc4 33.Nxc4 b5 34.Ne5 Nbd6
35.Kg2 Nc4 36.Nxc4 bxc4 37.Nc1
Kd6 38.b5 Kc7 39.Na2 Kb6
40.Nb4 Kxb5 41.Nc2 c3 0-1

Dues News:

While dues are not required for anyone interested in playing at the club, they are required for those competing in tournament play. Annual Dues are \$20.00 for adults and \$10.00 for those under 19. Dues funds are used to offset miscellaneous expenses not funded by the Recreation Department. United States Chess Federation memberships are available through the club. Memberships expiring as of April 1, 2022: **Klaty, (Brad, Braeden, Trenton); Diachinsky, Robin; Wilkinson, Stew; Kenny, Joshua; Bruziewicz, Andy**

Ratings:

The following list represents only current members of the Port Huron Chess Club. Current USCF ratings were used for members that had them, to establish the initial club rating list. The USCF rating format is used as the basis for calculating our club rating list. Members that had no USCF ratings are *given* a provisional rating based on their performances against regular club members who had USCF ratings. Club rated events will use these ratings for pairing purposes.

PHCC Ratings as of 3/17/22

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Avdic, Huso	2092
Bailey, Greg	2076
West, Tony	1967
Gregg, Alan	1918
Rood, Eric	1883
Morabito, Matt	1861
Rutkofske, Lon	1731
Klaty, Braeden	1719
Broyles, Tom	1692
Roome, Eric	1641
Jones, G. Avery	1561
Wingrove, Bill	1534
Heinrich, Charles	1508
Scholfield, Chris	1503
Ledsworth, Brian	1400
Beneker, Gerrit	1380
Malburg, Drew	1348

PHCC Blitz Ratings as of as of 3/17/22

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Avdic, Huso	2065
Gregg, Alan	1997
Rood, Eric	1824
Rutkofske, Lon	1810
Morabito, Matt	1797
Klaty, Braeden	1715
Broyles, Tom	1708
Scholfield, Chris	1552
Wingrove, Bill	1518
Jones, G. Avery	1517
Bryne, Brandon	1327
Ledsworth, Brian	1317
Klaty, Trenton	1312
Klaty, Brad	1267

USCF Ratings as of 3/17/22

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Avdic, Huso	1931
Bailey, Greg	1900
West, Tony	1897
Rutkofske, Lon	1800
Morabito, Matt	1780
Klaty, Braeden	1583/P6
Rood, Eric	1506
Malburg, Drew	1471
Ledsworth, Brian	1400
Byrne, Brandon	1283
Klaty, Brad	1214/P6
Heinrich, Charles	1139
Klaty, Trenton	1062/P6

USCF Quick/Action Ratings as of 3/17/22

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Avdic, Huso	1986
Morabito, Matt	1908/P
Klaty, Braeden	1836/P3
Bailey, Greg	1824
Rutkofske, Lon	1775
West, Tony	1774
Klaty, Trenton	1224/P3
Rood, Eric	1282
Bryne, Brandon	1202
Ledsworth, Brian	1112
Heinrich, Charles	1070/P

USCF Blitz Ratings as of 3/17/22

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Avdic, Huso	2012
Bailey, Greg	1868
Rutkofske, Lon	1833
Morabito, Matt	1732
Rood, Eric	1657
Klaty, Braeden	1609
Ledsworth, Brian	1317

Calendar of Events:

First Thursday of Each Month: Free Chess Clinics – 6:30 to 7:00 PM; **Private Lessons** can be arranged @ \$15/person per hour; **Open play:** 7:00 until 10:00 PM. Players wishing to play Challenge matches with longer time controls of G/60 with 5 sec delay can choose to play match games if they so desire. Participants will be required to follow the rules and regulations for **Challenge Play** (As outlined in **Chess Chatter**, our website under "Club Member Ratings Lists", or posted at the club.) and colors will be selected by lot. PHCC club ratings will be used. Players should turn their game scores into Lon, so he can adjust ratings appropriately and showcase the games in **Chess Chatter**. **Monthly Tournaments** will be held, **usually** on the third Thursday of the month - See the events schedule below for specifics!

Tentative 2022 Events Schedule:

May 19th - PHCC Rated Action Quads (or Mini-Swiss depending on registration) G/10 EF: \$5.00 ...Prizes based on entries. A minimum of 4 participants will be necessary to hold the event. Please contact Lon via phone or email if you plan to register. Onsite registration 6:30-7:00PM - Play begins at 7:00 PM. Prizes: if Quad: 1st = \$15; if Mini-Swiss: Based on entries! (Recording games is optional, for players that wish to keep score, neither player is required to keep score if either has 5 minutes or less on their clock.)

June 23rd - PHCC Rated Action Quads (or Mini-Swiss depending on registration) G/10 EF: \$5.00 ...Prizes based on entries. A minimum of 4 participants will be necessary to hold the event. Please contact Lon via phone or email if you plan to register. Onsite registration 6:30-7:00PM - Play begins at 7:00 PM. Prizes: if Quad: 1st = \$15; if Mini-Swiss: Based on entries! (Recording games is optional, for players that wish to keep score, neither player is required to keep score if either has 5 minutes or less on their clock.)

July 21st - USCF/PHCC Rated Action Quads (or Mini-Swiss depending on registration) G/25 with 3 sec. delay EF: \$5.00 ...Prizes based on entries. A minimum of 4 participants will be necessary to hold the event. Please contact Lon via phone or email if you plan to register. Onsite registration 6:30-7:00PM - Play begins at 7:00 PM. Prizes: if Quad: 1st = \$15; if Mini-Swiss: Based on entries! (Recording games is optional, for players that wish to keep score, neither player is required to keep score if either has 5 minutes or less on their clock.)

August 11, 18, 25 – USCF/PHCC Rated Mini-Swiss (or Quads based on entries) 3 Round- USCF Rated Mini-Swiss. Game/90 minutes with/5 sec. delay. USCF and PHCC membership required. One game per night (August 11, 18 & 25)! Play will begin at 7:00PM. EF: \$5.00 Play will begin at 7:00PM. A minimum of 4 participants are required. Prizes: based on entries. Please register in advance by contacting Lon Rutkofske by August 4th so he can determine if there are enough entries to hold the event.

September 22nd – PHCC Rated Thematic tournament: G/25 with 3 sec. delay EF: \$5.00 ...Prizes based on entries. A minimum of 4 participants will be necessary to hold the event. Please contact Lon via phone or email if you plan to register. Onsite registration 6:30-7:00PM - Play begins at 7:00 PM. Prizes: if Quad: 1st = \$15; if Mini-Swiss: Based on entries! (Recording games is optional, for players that wish to keep score, neither player is required to keep score if either has 5 minutes or less on their clock.) Players with the white pieces will be playing a game with a predetermined opening sequence such as the Ruy Lopez, or KI Attack based on one of the openings drawn at random by the TD. The game will begin from that opening position.

October 20th PHCC Speed Championships - The Port Huron Chess Club's 40th Annual Speed Championship Tournament will be held on Thursday, October 20th beginning at 7:00 PM. Registrations will determine the number of rounds and prizes. PHCC membership required. Entry fee will be \$5.00. Please contact Lon if you plan to play. There will be no registrations on-site. If you intend to play, contact Lon before October 14th. (**Will be USCF rated if all entrants are USCF members.**)

November 17th – PHCC Rated Quick Tournament DRR Game/15 PHCC Rated Action Quads (or Mini-Swiss depending on registration) EF: \$5.00 ...Prizes based on entries. A minimum of 4 participants will be necessary to hold the event. Please contact Lon via phone or email if you plan to register. Onsite registration 6:30-7:00PM - Play begins at 7:00 PM. Prizes: if Quad: 1st = \$15; if Mini-Swiss: Based on entries! (Recording games is optional, for players that wish to keep score, neither player is required to keep score if either has 5 minutes or less on their clock.)

December – NO TOURNAMENT

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