



Chess Chatter

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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. Website: <http://porthuronchessclub.volasite.com>

Gregg Wins 4th Consecutive PHCC Championship Crown- Morabito, Wilkinson, Wingrove, Jones and Nathan Allen Top Their Classes



Alan Gregg - 2013 PHCC Champion



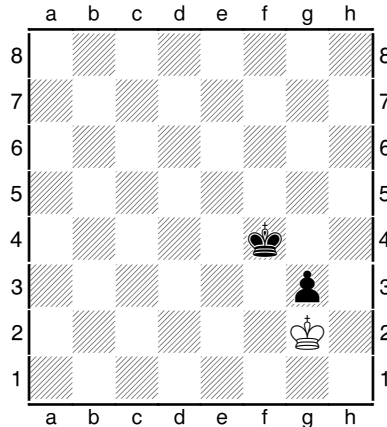
Matt Morabito -2013 PHCC Runner-up
Champion

Allen Gregg secured his fourth PHCC Championship title in his own inimitable style, again without losing a game. Gregg has never lost a game in the four championship tournaments he has won, a truly amazing feat and unparalleled in club championship competition. Runner-up Champion, **Matt Morabito** kept the pressure on Gregg throughout the 15 round affair, feeling the sting of defeat only once, at the hands of Class C/D Champion, **G. Avery Jones**. Unfortunately for Matt, the half point deficit kept him out of the championship circle for yet another year. The 2013 Tournament differed from titled events in that it was the longest event ever staged since the tournament was established in 1971. The round robin event featuring 15 rounds and lasting from January 10th through April 25th, was applauded by the majority of the participants as it

enabled everyone a “shot” at the title, unlike many of the Swiss System events of past cycles.

The competition was fierce, but there were some priceless moments. Probably the “champion” of glibness, the “king” of the understatement had to be **Tom Broyles**, who managed a couple of hilarious one-liners. As White to move in his 8th round game against **Matt Morabito**, the following position presented his first opportunity:

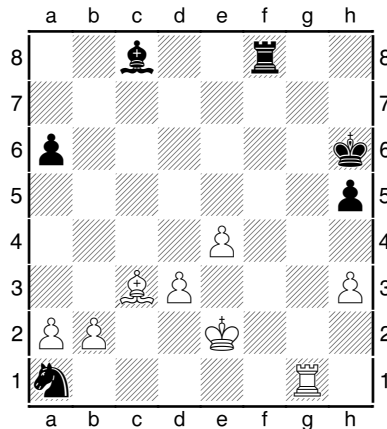
Morabito



Broyles

With his clock running down, surrounded by a menagerie of interested onlookers, Tom reaches for his K and said: “I sure wish I had studied this ‘crap!’”, playing 71.Kf1?? (*71.Kg1 is a textbook draw!*) losing the game! Not wishing to be upstaged, the former Boy Scout Executive Director for St. Clair County made this whimsical observation in the 14th round position below ensuring **Nathan Allen** his 2013 Junior Crown, and “biggest upset” prize:

Broyles



Allen

After 38..., Nc2??? 39.Bg7+! Tom comments: “Well, young man, it looks like I helped you win some money!”

No game seemed to be a “sure thing” as the chart below will attest:

Individual Upsets. 2013 Championships		
<u>Name</u>	<u>Pnts</u>	<u>Victim</u>
Nathan Allen (900)	836.0	Thomas Broyles (1736)
Adam Nowiski (900)	500.0	Gino Mariani (1400)
G Avery Jones (1557)	301.0	Lonnie Rutkofske (1858)
Noel Bedy (1618)	247.0	Stewart Wilkinson (1865)
David Boucher (1439)	179.0	Noel Bedy (1618)
Matthew Morabito (1698)	160.0	Lonnie Rutkofske (1858)
William Wingrove (1664)	100.5	Stewart Wilkinson (1865)
Stewart Wilkinson (1865)	42.5	Alan Gregg (1950)
Atul Kulkarni (1548)	35.0	Noel Bedy (1618)



Stew Wilkinson

2013 Class A Champion



Bill Wingrove

2013 Class B Champion

These upsets triggered a flurry of rating changes:

Ratings Changes: 2013 PHCC Championships (alphabetically)				
Name	Old	Perf.	New	Change
Allen, Nathan	900	1359	984	+84
Bedy, Noel	1618	1614	1614	-4
Boucher, David	1439	1530	1463	+24
Broyles, Thomas	1736	1568	1692	-44
Dickinson, Ty	1000	1458	999	-1
Fiedler, Robert	1688	1567	1646	-42
Gregg, Alan	1950	1977	1956	+6
Jones, G Avery	1557	1790	1684	+127
Kulkarni, Atharva	900	1158	867	-33
Kulkarni, Atul	1548	1439	1513	-35
Mariani, Gino	1400	1258	1333	-67
Morabito, Matthew	1698	1883	1791	+93
Nowiski, Adam	900	1282	926	+26
Rutkofske, Lonnie	1858	1811	1841	-17
Wilkinson, Stewart	1865	1892	1871	+6
Wingrove, William	1664	1707	1676	+12



(Left) **G. Avery Jones**

Class C/D Champion



(Right) **Nathan Allen**

Junior Champion and upset prize winner

The only real downside to this year's competition was the fact that promising Junior, **Ty Dickinson** had to drop out of the tournament due to illness. We are hoping to see him return to play in the near future. Additionally, there were several forfeits due to the rigid tournament schedule. Hopefully, this can be remedied in future events by adjusting the schedule to allow for a number of makeup Thursdays, rather than weekends. One recommendation suggested dividing the tournament into Open (*B and above rating*) and Reserve (*Below B ratings*) sections, thus trimming the number of rounds yet permitting Reserve players the option of playing in the Open.

Feedback and participation of club members will be instrumental in determining the format of next year's tournament.

A complete set of game scores and results from the tournament can be downloaded from our website in PDF format.

2013 Port Huron Chess Club Championships – January 10th thru April 29th

#	Name	Rtng	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Rd 6	Rd 7	Rd 8	Rd 9	Rd 10	Rd 11	Rd 12	Rd 13	Rd 14	Rd 15	Tot
1	Alan Gregg	1950	W15	W11	X16	W14	W9	W13	D4	W7	W6	W10	D2	W8	W5	D3	W12	13.5
2	Matthew Morabito	1698	W9	W13	L4	W7	W6	W10	W12	W8	W5	D3	D1	W15	W11	X16	W14	13.0
3	Stewart Wilkinson	1865	W11	X16	W14	W9	W13	W4	L7	D6	W10	D2	W8	W5	W12	D1	W15	12.5
4	G Avery Jones	1557	L6	W10	W2	W8	W5	L3	D1	W15	X11	X16	W14	L9	W13	W12	W7	11.5
5	Lonnie Rutkofske	1858	W16	W14	W9	W13	L4	W7	W6	W10	L2	W8	W12	L3	L1	W15	W11	11.0
6	William Wingrove	1664	W4	D7	W12	W10	L2	L8	L5	D3	L1	W15	W11	X16	W14	W9	W13	10.0
7	Noel Bedy	1618	W12	D6	D10	L2	W8	L5	W3	L1	W15	W11	X16	W14	L9	D13	L4	8.5
8	Thomas Broyles	1736	W14	W9	W13	L4	L7	W6	W10	L2	W12	L5	L3	L1	W15	L11	X16	8.0
9	David Boucher	1439	L2	L8	L5	L3	L1	W15	W11	X16	W14	W12	X13	W4	W7	L6	L10	8.0
10	Robert Fiedler	1688	W13	L4	D7	L6	W12	L2	L8	L5	L3	L1	W15	W11	X16	W14	W9	7.5
11	Nathan Allen	900	L3	L1	W15	W12	X16	L14	L9	X13	F4	L7	L6	L10	L2	W8	L5	5.0
12	Adam Nowiski	900	L7	W15	L6	L11	L10	X16	L2	W14	L8	L9	L5	X13	L3	L4	L1	4.0
13	Atul Kulkarni	1548	L10	L2	L8	L5	L3	L1	W15	F11	X16	W14	F9	F12	L4	D7	L6	3.5
14	Gino Mariani	1400	L8	L5	L3	L1	W15	W11	X16	L12	L9	L13	L4	L7	L6	L10	L2	3.0
15	Atharva Kulkarni	900	L1	L12	L11	X16	L14	L9	L13	L4	L7	L6	L10	L2	L8	L5	L3	1.0
16	Ty Dickinson	1000	L5	F3	F1	F15	F11	F12	F14	F9	F13	F4	F7	F6	F10	F2	F8	0.0

Champion: Alan Gregg

Runner up Champion: Matthew Morabito

Top Class A: Stewart Wilkinson

Top Class B: William Wingrove

Top Class C/D: G. Avery Jones

Junior Champion: Nathan Allen

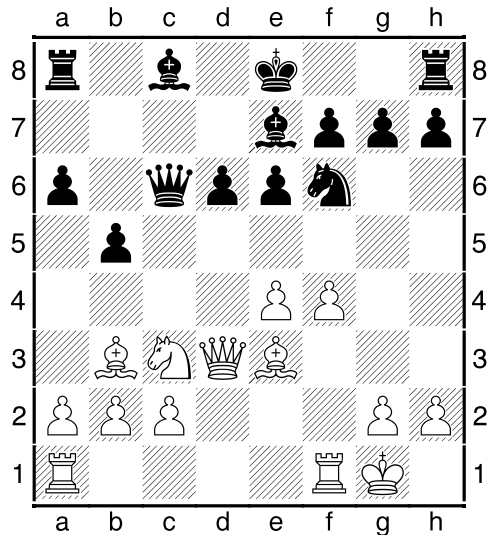
Biggest Upset: Nathan Allen (900) over Thomas Broyles (1736) = 836 Points

2013 USCF Winter Rating Tournament: January 10th thru April 29th

#	Name	Rtng	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Rd 6	Rd 7	Rd 8	Rd 9	Rd 10	Rd 11	Tot
1	ALAN GREGG	2027	W11	W10	D5	W8	W6	W7	D2	W9	W4	D3	U---	8.5
2	MATTHEW MORABITO	1752	W6	W7	U---	W9	W4	D3	D1	W11	W10	L5	W8	8.0
3	STEWART WILKINSON	1841	W10	W5	L8	D6	W7	D2	W9	W4	U---	D1	W11	7.5
4	LONNIE RUTKOSKE	1827	L5	W8	W6	W7	L2	W9	U---	L3	L1	W11	W10	6.0
5	G AVERY JONES	1470	W4	L3	D1	W11	L10	U---	W8	L6	W7	W2	L9	5.5
6	WILLIAM WINGROVE	1694	L2	W9	L4	D3	L1	W11	W10	W5	D8	U---	L7	5.0
7	THOMAS BROYLES	1737	U---	L2	W9	L4	L3	L1	W11	W10	L5	L8	W6	4.0
8	NOEL BEDY	1501	D9	L4	W3	L1	W11	L10	L5	U---	D6	W7	L2	4.0
9	ROBERT FIEDLER	1767	D8	L6	L7	L2	U---	L4	L3	L1	W11	W10	W5	3.5
10	DAVID BOUCHER	1277	L3	L1	W11	U---	W5	W8	L6	L7	L2	L9	L4	3.0
11	GINO MARIANI	unr.	L1	U---	L10	L5	L8	L6	L7	L2	L9	L4	L3	0.0

What's the Best Move- by Stew Wilkinson

Stew Wilkinson, PHCC's resident chess and sports aficionado, trivia buff and Renaissance man has consented to give journalism a second shot in submitting this tribute to the late Grandmaster Larry Evans. Evans "masterminded" the "What's the Best Move" column for *Chess Life* magazine for over 20 years, and it was always one of the first places avid chess practitioners turned to as a quick test of their skills when each issue of CL arrived. Here Stew tries his "Evansesque" persona on for size. (Analyses can be found on page 10.)

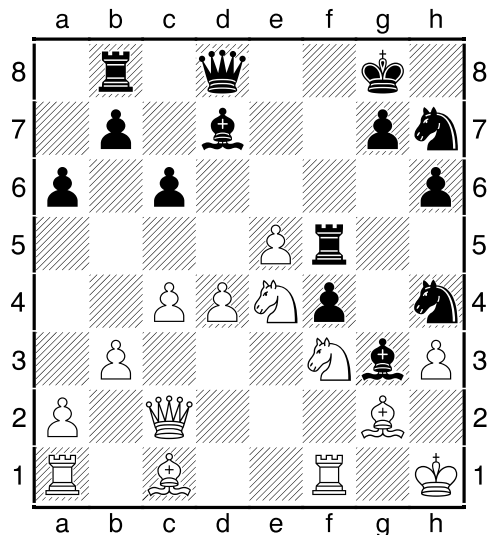


Problem 1

**Morabito, Matthew (1752) -
Gregg, Alan (2027) [B88]
Sicilian Defense**
2013 PHCC Championships
Port Huron, MI (11), 07.02.2013

What's the Best Move?

- A. 12.f3
- B. 12.Bd4
- C. 12.f4
- D. 12.a4



Problem 2

**Gregg, Alan (2027) - Fiedler, Robert
(1767) [A29] English Opening**
2013 PHCC Championships
Port Huron, MI (10), 31.01.2013

What's the Best Move?

- A. 24...,Ng5
- B. 24...,Nxg2
- C. 24...,Nxf3
- D. 24...,Rh5

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.

Broyles,Thomas (1736) - Boucher,David (1439) [C02] French Defense

2013 PHCC Championships St. Clair, MI (2), 17.04.2013

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bd7 8.Be2 Nh6 9.Bxh6 Qxb2 10.Bxg7 Bxg7 11.Nbd2 Nxd4 12.Nxd4 Qxd4 13.Nf3 Qc3+ 14.Kf1 Rc8 15.g3 Bxe5 16.Nxe5 Qxe5 17.Rb1 Bc6 18.Qb3 a6 19.Bf3 Bb5+ 20.Kg2 Rc3 21.Qd1 Ke7 22.Re1 Qd6 23.Qd4 Rcc8 24.Bxd5 Bc6 25.Qh4+ f6 26.Bxc6 Qxc6+ 27.Kg1 b5 28.Qh6 Rcg8 29.Rbc1 Qb7 30.Qf4 Rc8 31.Rcd1 Qb6 32.Qh6 Rcg8 33.Qd2 h5 34.Qd7+ Kf8 35.Rxe6 Rg7 36.Re8# 1-0

Bedy,Noel (1618) - Fiedler,Robert (1688) [B21] Sicilian Defense-Morra Gambit

2013 PHCC Championships Port Huron, MI (3), 20.04.2013

1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.c3 dxc3 4.Nxc3 a6 5.Bc4 e6 6.Nf3 Nc6 7.0-0 d6 8.Qe2 b5 9.Bb3 h6 10.Rd1 Bd7 11.Bf4 e5 12.Be3 Nf6 13.a3 Be7 14.Bd5 0-0 15.Bxc6 Bxc6 16.Nxe5 Bxe4 17.Nxe4 Nxe4 18.Bxh6 Nxf2 19.Qxf2 gxh6 20.Nc6 Qc7 21.Nxe7+ Qxe7 22.Qf4 Qg5 23.Qxg5+ hxg5 24.Rxd6 Rfd8 25.Rad1 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$

Kulkarni,Atul (1548) - Gregg,Alan (1950) [D00] Unusual Q-Pawn Game

2013 PHCC Championships Port Huron, MI (6), 25.04.2013

1.d4 d5 2.Nc3 e6 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.g3 Bd6 5.Bg2 h6 6.0-0 Nge7 7.e4 dxe4 8.Nxe4 0-0 9.c4 Nf5 10.b3 b6 11.Bb2 Ba6 12.Re1 Bb4 13.Rf1 Qd7 14.a3 Be7 15.Ne5 Nxe5 16.dxe5 Rad8 17.Qxd7 Rxd7 18.Rfd1 Rfd8 19.Rxd7 Rxd7 20.Rc1 Rd3 21.b4 Bb7 22.Nf6+ gxf6 23.Bxb7 fxe5 24.Be4 Rb3 25.Bxe5 Rxa3 26.c5 bxc5 27.bxc5 Ra5 28.g4 Nh4 29.Bg3 Ng6 30.c6 e5 31.Bf5 Nf4 32.Bxf4 exf4 33.Kg2 Kg7 34.Rd1 Kf6 35.Rd7 Bd6 36.Rxd6+ cxd6 37.c7 Rc5 38.c8Q Rxc8 39.Bxc8 a5 40.Bd7 d5 41.Kf3 Ke5 42.Ke2 Kd4 43.Bc6 Kc4 44.Kd2 d4 45.h4 Kb4 46.g5 hxg5 47.hxg5 a4 48.Be8 0-1

Jones,G. Avery (1575) - Allen ,Nathan (900) [D02] Queen Pawn Opening

2013 PHCC Championships Port Huron, MI (9), 27.04.2013

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Bg4 3.g3 Nf6 [Best was 3...Bf3!] 4.Bg2 e6 5.0-0 Nc6 [Usually 5....,c5 is needed here!] 6.Bf4 Bd6 7.Bg5 h6 8.Be3 [A waste of critical tempi!] 8...0-0 9.Nbd2 Ne4 10.Nxe4 dxe4 11.Nd2 f5 12.Nc4 f4 13.Nxd6 fxe3 14.Nxe4 Nxd4 15.f3 Bf5 16.c3 Nc6 17.Qb3 Qd5 18.c4 Qd4 19.Rad1 Qe5 20.f4 Qa5 21.Qxb7 Qb6 22.Qxb6 axb6 23.Nc3 Rad8 24.Bxc6 Rxd1 25.Rxd1 Rc8 26.Be4 Rb8 27.Bxf5 exf5 28.Kg2 c6 29.Kf3 b5 30.cxb5 cxb5 31.a3 b4 32.axb4 Rxb4 33.Rb1 g5 34.Kxe3 Kg7 35.Kf3 Kg6 36.e3 h5 37.Ne2 h4 [And white won in a few moves.] 38.Nd4 1-0

Broyles,Thomas (1736) - Jones,G. Avery (1557) [B13] Caro-Kann: Exchange Var.

2013 PHCC Championships Port Huron, MI (4), 20.04.2013

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.Be2 Nf6 6.0-0 g6 7.c3 Bg7 8.Be3 0-0 9.Nbd2 Ng4 10.Ne1 Nxe3 11.fxe3 Bh6 12.Nc2 Bf5 13.Rxf5 gxf5 14.Bd3 e6 15.Qh5 Qg5 16.Qe2 Qg4 17.Qf2 Bg7 18.Rf1 Ne7 19.h3 Qg5 20.Nf3 Qh6 21.Kh2 Ng6 22.Qg3 Bf6 23.Qd6 Rfd8 24.Qc7 Rab8 25.g3 Qf8 26.Rg1 Qd6 27.Qa5 Qb6 28.Qxb6 axb6 29.c4 dxc4 30.Bxc4 Kh8 31.b3 Ne7 32.Rd1 Nd5 33.Rd3 Rbc8 34.Nfe1 Be7 35.a3 Nf6 36.Kg2 Ne4 37.Kf3 Nd6 38.a4 Nxc4 39.bxc4 Rxc4 0-1

Wingrove,William (1664) - Allen,Nathan (900) [B01] Scandinavian Defense

2013 PHCC Championships Port Huron, MI (11), 20.04.2013

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.d4 Nxd5 4.c4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Nf3 Bg4 7.Be2 Bxf3 8.Bxf3 Qxd4 9.Bxc6+ bxc6 10.Qxd4 Rd8 11.Qxa7 Rd7 12.0-0 e5 13.Bg5 Be7 14.Rad1 h6 15.Rxd7 Nxd7 16.Qa8+ Bd8 17.Qxd8# 1-0

Kulkarni,Artharua (1698) - Morabito,Matthew (900) [B20] Sicilian Defense

2013 PHCC Championships Port Huron, MI (12), 25.04.2013

1.e4 c5 2.d3 g6 3.b3 Bg7 4.c3 d6 5.Bb2 Nf6 6.c4 Nc6 7.g3 0-0 8.Nd2 a6 9.Qc2 b5 10.a4 Bb7 11.Bh3 Nb4 12.Qb1 bxc4 13.Nxc4 Nxd3+ 14.Qxd3 Bxe4 15.Qf1 Bxh1 16.f3 d5 17.Ne5 Qa5+ 18.Kd1 Qb4 19.Nd3 Qxb3+ 20.Kd2 c4 21.Nc5 Qxb2+ 22.Kd1 Qxa1+ 23.Ke2 Qb2+ 24.Ke3 d4+ 25.Kf4 Qd2+ 26.Ke5 Qe3+ 27.Ne4 Nxe4+ 0-1

Gregg,Alan (1950) - Broyles,Thomas (1736) [C70] Ruy Lopez

2013 PHCC Championships Port Huron, MI (12), 17.04.2013

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Bc5 5.0-0 d6 6.c3 Bg4 7.d3 h6 8.Be3 Qf6 9.Nbd2 Ba7 10.Bxc6+ bxc6 11.Qa4 Qd8 12.Bxa7 Rxa7 13.Qxc6+ Bd7 14.Qd5 Nf6 15.Qb3 0-0 16.Rfe1 Bc6 17.c4 Rb7 18.Qc2 Qd7 19.d4 Rfb8 20.b3 Qe7 21.d5 Bd7 22.Rac1 c5 23.dxc6 Bxc6 Bxc6 *(Due to an error made during this game, one that neither player discovered until the game was over, Alan won on mover 50. Resurrecting the complete game score is therefore impossible.)*1-0

Allen,Nathan (900) - Fiedler,Robert (1688) [B23] Sicilian Defense

2013 PHCC Championships Port Huron, MI (12), 18.04.2013

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.Na4 d6 4.d4 Nxd4 5.c3 Nc6 6.Qf3 Nf6 7.e5 Nxe5 8.Bb5+ Nfd7 9.Qd5 Qa5 10.Qb3 a6 11.Bxd7+ Nxd7 12.Bd2 b5 13.c4 Qxa4 14.cxb5 Qxb3 15.axb3 Bb7 16.Ne2 axb5 17.0-0 Rxa1 18.Rxa1 e5 19.Ra7 Bc6 20.Rc7 Bd5 21.Bg5 f6 22.Rc8+ Ke7 23.Ng3 fxg5 24.Nf5+ Kf7 25.Nxd6+ Bxd6 26.Rxh8 Nf8 27.f3 g6 28.Kf2 Kg7 29.Rxf8 Kxf8 30.Ke3 Bxb3 31.Kd3 c4+ 32.Ke4 b4 33.Kd5 c3+ 34.Kxd6 cxb2 35.Kxe5 b1Q 36.Kf6 Qf5# 0-1

Allen,Nathan (900) - Broyles,Tom (1736) [C68] Ruy Lopez: Exchange Variation

2013 PHCC Championships Port Huron, MI (14), 18.04.2013

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Bxc6 dxc6 5.Nxe5 Qd4 6.Ng4 Qxe4+ 7.Ne3 Nf6 8.d3 Qe5 9.Nc3 Bc5 10.0-0 0-0 11.Nc4 Qe6 12.Re1 Qg4 13.Re5 Bd6 14.Nxd6 cxd6 15.Rg5 Qxd1+ 16.Nxd1 Re8 17.Bd2 Re2 18.Bc3 h6 19.Rg3 Nh5 20.Re3 Rxc2 21.Re8+ Kh7 22.Re7 Be6 23.Rxb7 Re8 24.Ne3 Re2 25.Kf1 Nf4 26.Rb6 h5 27.Rxc6 Bg4 28.h3 Bc8 29.Rxd6 Bb7 30.Rd4 R2xe3 31.fxe3 Nxc2 32.e4 Ne3+ 33.Kf2 Nc2 34.Rd7 Bc8 35.Rxf7 Nxa1 36.Rxc7+ Kh6 37.Rg1 Rf8+ 38.Ke2 Nc2 39.Bg7+ 1-0

Bedy,Noel (1618) - Kulkarni,Atul (1548) [B02] Alekhine's Defense

2013 PHCC Championships Port Huron, MI (14), 18.04.2013

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.Nc3 Nxd5 4.Nxd5 Qxd5 5.d4 Nc6 6.c3 Bf5 7.Nf3 0-0-0 8.Be3 e6 9.Be2 Be7 10.0-0 h6 11.Qa4 Bf6 12.Rfd1 g5 13.Ne5 Bxe5 14.dxe5 Qa5 15.Bb5 Qxa4 16.Bxa4 Nxe5 17.Bxa7 b6 18.Rd4 Kb7 19.Bxb6 cxb6 20.Rb4 Nd3 21.Rb5 Nc5 22.Bb3 Rd2 23.Bd1 Rhd8 24.Bf3+ Be4 25.Rxc5 bxc5 26.Bxe4+ Kb6 27.Bf3 Rxb2 28.g4 Rdd2 29.a4 Rxf2 30.a5+ Ka6 31.Be4 Rfd2 32.h3 Rb5 33.Bg2 Ka7 34.a6 Rxc2+ 35.Kxc2 Rb6 36.Rf1 Kxa6 37.Rxf7 e5 38.Re7 Rb3 39.Rxe5 Rxc3 40.Re6+ Kb5 41.Rxh6 Rc2+ 42.Kf3 Rc3+ 43.Ke4 c4 44.Rh5 Kb4 45.Rxc5 Rxh3 46.Rh5 ½-½

Gregg,Alan (1950) - Wilkinson,Stewart (1865) [A07] Reti: New York System

2013 PHCC Championships Port Huron, MI (14), 18.04.2013

1.Nf3 d5 2.g3 Nf6 3.Bg2 Bf5 4.d3 e6 5.0-0 Bd6 6.c4 0-0 7.Nd4 Bg6 8.Nb5 h6
9.Nxd6 Qxd6 10.Nc3 c6 11.cxd5 exd5 12.Qb3 Qd7 13.a4 a5 14.e4 d4 15.Ne2 Na6
16.Bd2 Nc5 17.Qc4 Ne6 18.Bh3 b5 19.Bxe6 bxc4 20.Bxd7 Nxd7 21.dxc4 c5 22.f3
Rfb8 23.Rab1 Ne5 24.Bf4 ½-½

Kulkarni,Artharva (900) - Rutkofske,Lonnie (1858) [C00] French Defense

2013 PHCC Championships Port Huron, MI (14), 25.04.2013

1.e4 e6 2.g3 c6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Qh5 Nf6 5.Qg5 d4 6.Nf3 dxc3 7.e5 cxd2+ 8.Bxd2 h6
9.Qh4 Ne4 10.g4 Qxh4 11.Nxh4 Nxd2 12.Kxd2 Be7 13.Bg2 Bxh4 0-1

Boucher,David (1439) - Wingrove,William (1664) [B22] Sicilian Defense

2013 PHCC Championships Port Huron, MI (14), 18.04.2013

1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.c3 Nf6 4.e5 Nd5 5.cxd4 Nc6 6.Nf3 e6 7.Nc3 Nxc3 8.bxc3 Qc7
9.Bd3 d6 10.Bb5 Bd7 11.Bxc6 Bxc6 12.Bf4 Rc8 13.Rc1 Bb5 14.Qb3 Bc4 15.Qc2
d5 16.Nd2 Ba6 17.Qa4+ Qc6 18.Qxc6+ Rxc6 19.Nb3 Ba3 20.Rc2 Bd3 21.Rd2
Rxc3 22.f3 0-0 23.Kf2 Rfc8 24.Rhd1 Rc2 25.Ke3 Rxd2 26.Rxd2 Bg6 27.Ke2 Rc2
28.Rxc2 Bxc2 29.Kd2 Bb1 30.Nc5 Bxc5 31.dxc5 Bxa2 32.Kc3 a5 33.Kb2 Bc4
34.Bd2 a4 35.Bc3 Kf8 36.Bb4 Ke8 37.Kc3 Bb5 38.f4 f6 39.g3 fxe5 40.fxe5 Kf7
41.Kd4 Kg6 42.Ke3 Kf5 43.c6 Bxc6 44.Bd6 Kg4 45.Bc5 Kh3 46.Kf4 Kxh2 47.g4
Be8 48.g5 Bg6 49.Kf3 Kh3 50.Kf4 Kg2 51.Kg4 Kf1 52.Kf3 Ke1 53.Ke3 h6
54.gxh6 gxh6 55.Be7 h5 56.Bc5 Kd1 57.Be7 Kc2 58.Kd4 Kb3 0-1

Rutkofske,Lonnie (1858) - Allen,Nathan (900) [A16] English Opening

2013 PHCC Championships Port Huron, MI (15), 20.4.2013

1.c4 Nc6 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.g3 d5 4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.Bg2 Nxc3 6.bxc3 Ne5 7.Qb3 e6 8.Rb1
c6 9.d4 Ng6 10.Nf3 Bd6 11.0-0 0-0 12.e4 Qa5 13.e5 Be7 14.Nd2 b5 15.Bxc6 Rb8
16.Qc2 Bg5 17.h4 Bxd2 18.Bxd2 Qa6 19.Bg2 Bd7 20.Rfc1 Qa4 21.Qb2 f6 22.h5
Ne7 23.exf6 Rxf6 24.Bg5 Rf7 25.Bxe7 Rxe7 26.Qe2 Qc4 27.Qxc4 bxc4 28.Rxb8+
Be8 29.Re1 Kf7 30.Rb7 Bd7 31.d5 exd5 32.Bxd5+ Kf6 33.Rxe7 Kxe7 34.Bc6 Kd6
35.Bxd7 a5 36.Be8 Kd5 37.f3 g6 38.h6 Ke6 39.Bxg6 hxg6 40.h7 Kf5 41.h8Q g5
42.Qh6 1-0

Fiedler,Robert (1688) - Boucher,Dave (1439) [C02] French Defense:Advance Var

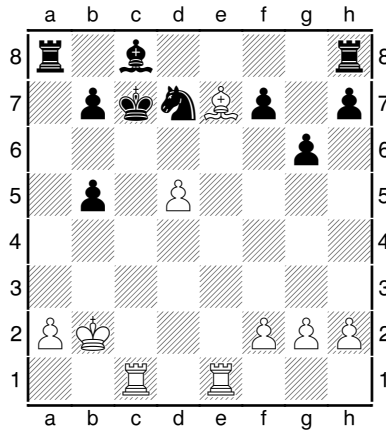
2013 PHCC Championships Port Huron, MI (15), 29.04.2013

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.b3 cxd4 7.cxd4 Bb4+ 8.Bd2 Nxd4
9.Bxb4 Qxb4+ 10.Nbd2 Qc3 11.Nxd4 Qxd4 12.Nf3 Qc3+ 13.Ke2 Qb2+ 14.Ke3 Ne7
15.Qd2 d4+ 16.Ke4 Qa3 17.Bb5+ Nc6 18.Bxc6+ bxc6 19.Qxd4 Bb7 20.Qc3 c5+
21.Ke3 Rd8 22.Rhd1 0-0 23.Rxd8 Rxd8 24.Qc1 Qb4 25.Qe1 Qb6 26.Kf4 h6
27.Qc3 g5+ 28.Kg3 Qc7 29.Re1 Qe7 30.Re3 h5 31.h3 Rd1 32.Re1 Rd3 33.Qxd3
1-0

Bedy,Noel (1618) - Jones,G. Avery (1557) [B14] Caro-Kann

2013 PHCC Championships Port Huron, MI (15), 25.04.2013

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.c4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Qb3 e6 7.Nf3 Nc6 8.cxd5 exd5
9.Bg5 Bg7 10.Nxd5 Qxd5 11.Qa3 Qa5+ 12.Qxa5 Nxa5 13.Bb5+ Nd7 14.Bd2 Nc6
15.d5 Nd4 16.Nxd4 Bxd4 17.Bb4 a6 18.0-0-0 Bxb2+ 19.Kxb2 axb5 20.Rhe1+ Kd8
21.Be7+ Kc7 22.Rc1+ Diagram



22...Kb6 [23.Bb4 looks pretty strong here!] **23.Bd6 Ka6 24.Re3 Nb6 25.Ra3+ Na4+ 26.Kb3 Bf5 27.Bc5 Rhc8 28.d6 b6 29.Kb4 Bd7 30.f4 Kb7 31.h3 Nxc5 32.Rxa8 Rxa8 33.Ra1 Ra4+ 0-1**

Wilkinson,Stewart (1865) - Kulkarni,Atharva (900) [C25] Vienna Game

2013 PHCC Championships Port Huron, MI (15), 25.04.2013

1.e4 e5 2.Nc3 d6 3.Bc4 Nd7 4.Nf3 Nb6 5.Bb3 Nf6 6.h3 c6 7.d4 Nbd7 8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Ng5 Qe7 10.Bxf7+ Kd8 11.Ne6+ Qxe6 12.Bxe6 Bb4 13.Bg5 h6 14.Bxf6+ gxf6 15.Qf3 Rg8 16.0-0-0 Rg7 17.Qxf6+ Re7 18.Bxd7 Bxd7 19.Qf8+ Kc7 20.Qxa8 Bc5 21.Rxd7+ Kxd7 22.Qxb7+ Kd6 23.Rd1+ Bd4 24.Qb4+ Ke6 25.Qc4+ Kd6 26.Rxd4+ exd4 27.Qxd4+ Ke6 28.f4 Rd7 29.f5+ Ke7 30.f6+ Ke6 31.Qc4+ Kd6 32.f7 Re7 33.Qd4+ 1-0

What's the Best Move Analyses by Stew Wilkinson

Problem 1:

- A. 12.f3 is solid, blocking the long diagonal and awaiting events. Other solid moves would be 12. Rae1 or Rad1.
- B. 12.Bd4 is preferred by Frtiz along with 12. Rfe1 keeping a slight positional edge for White.
- C. 12.f4!? Was chosen by Matt and though certainly not an error, the move led to an even game after 12...,Bb7 13.f5, Nxe4 14.Qxe4, Qxe4 15. Nxe4, Bxe4, etc....
- D. 12.a4?! would be premature in light of 12...,b4 13. A5, 00 and Black has equalized.

Problem 2:

- A. If White can defend the K, his central pawn phalanx will win. 24...,Ng5? Loses as 25.Nxh4! forces the exchanges favorable to White.
- B. Bob Fiedler chose 24...,Nxf3?! And White consolidated with 25.Bxf3?! to win on mover 50. Frtiz 8 claims 25.Rxf3! was even better.
- C. To kibitzers (Yours truly) 24...,Nxc2!? Looked good that night, eliminate White's key defender. However, after 25.Nxc3, fxc3 26.Kxc2, Qe7 its still and even game.

D. 24...Rh5! Is best, as the attack is pressed. Fritz shows: [1] 25.Nxg3. fg3
 26.Ng1, Nxg2 27.Qxg2, Bxh3 28.Nxh3, Qxd4! On [2] 25.Ng1, Nxg2 26.Qxg2,
 Bxh3 27.Nxh3, Ng5 with advantage to Black in both cases.

PHCC Rating Lists

The following list represents only current members of the Port Huron Chess Club. Current USCF ratings were used for members that had them, in order 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 Rating List as of 5/10/13

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Bruziewicz, Andy	2118
Gregg, Alan	1956
Wilkinson, Stew	1871
Rutkofske, Lon	1841
Morabito, Matt	1791
Broyles, Tom	1692
Jones, G. Avery	1684
Wingrove, Bill	1676
Fiedler, Bob	1646
Hartwig, Nathan	1644
Bedy, Noel	1614
Beneker, Gerrit	1550
Kulkarni, Atul	1513
Boucher, Dave	1463
Mariani, Gino	1333
Carey, Jay	1000
Allen, Nathan	984
Nowiski, Adam	926
Kulkarni, Atharva	867

USCF Ratings as of 5/10/13

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Bruziewicz, Andy	2121
Gregg, Alan	2000
Wilkinson, Stew	1849
Rutkofske, Lon	1813
Morabito, Matt	1806
Fiedler, Robert	1713
Broyles, Tom	1699
Wingrove, Bill	1687
Hartwig, Nathan	1623
Jones, G. Avery	1576
Bedy, Noel	1557
Boucher, Dave	1335
Mariani, Gino	939P

PHCC Speed Rating List as of 5/10/13

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Bruziewicz, Andy	2252
Gregg, Alan	1962
Rutkofske, Lon	1873
Wilkinson, Stew	1865
Broyles, Tom	1708
Hartwig, Nathan	1702
Morabito, Matt	1698
Fiedler, Robert	1608
Wingrove, Bill	1607
Jones, G. Avery	1599
Beneker, Gerrit	1550
Kulkarni, Atul	1513
Bedy, Noel	1490
Nowiski, Adam	1363
Mariani, Gino	1333
Carey, Jay	1000
Allen, Nathan	984
Kulkarni, Atharva	867

Reflections of the Tournament Director by Lon Rutkofske

Some very good things happened at this year's championships. The PHCC experienced its greatest participation in a club championship event in over 20 years. Several new players joined the club to play: **Gino Mariani, Atul and Atharva Kulkarni, Nathan Allen, and Ty Dickinson**. Despite its length, the tournament ran smoothly thanks to the understanding and initiative of all the participants who made every attempt to play, record accurately, and report all of their game, especially the makeup games. There were very few games that were decided early, not counting my rather brief encounter with Stew...I feel your pain, Tom...and this made for lively, creative play with many games undecided until late in the evening. Camaraderie and learning, especially among the tournament novices served as the catch phrases, defining this year's competition as marked by a definitive growth in the skills levels of these players.

I had to feel for young **Atharva Kulkarni** on the final evening of play. He had a scheduled contest, and three make up games to complete which included: **Matt Morabito, Stew Wilkinson, Lon Rutkofske** and **Allen Gregg!!** What a gauntlet for this youngster, yet he completed his playing schedule and still had a smile on his face, albeit a beleaguered one! Thanks to all for the wonderful tournament!

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.

Expiring Memberships as of May 2013:

Zachary Allen, Jimmy Kennedy, Danny Kennedy, Gabe Ferguson, Ty Dickinson, Tom Broyles

Calendar of Events: Note the change for the First Thursday of Each Month.

First Thursday of Each Month - Chess Clinics— 6:30 to 7:00 PM - \$7.50 per person. From 7:00 until 10:00, Players wishing to play games with longer time controls up to G/90 can choose to play match games if they so desire. Participants will be paired randomly 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*.

May 16 thru 30th 2013 – PHCC Quads: Game/90 minutes. PHCC rated only. One Game per night! Participants will be divided into quad sections depending on their latest rating and play will begin at 7:00PM. EF: \$5.00 for adults; \$2.50 for Juniors. First place in each quad will get the entry fees from the others in the quad.