



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. Email: PtHuronChessClub@aol.com or Website: <http://porthuronchessclub.yolasite.com>

Rutkofske Makes a Clean Sweep in July USCF Quads

An unusual 3rd round miscue by **Matt Morabito** allowed **Lon Rutkofske** to capture first place honors in the July Quads. Dead even at two games each in the final round, Lon managed to parlay his pet Botvinnik variation of the Symmetrical English Opening into a victory over his oft-played rival. Matt has had his way with Lon of late, but fate was in his corner as Matt uncharacteristically had to settle for the Black pieces in the third round coin toss.

While none of the contestants touted stellar performances, most tournament games were decided by critical errors, rather than time crunches as is typical in most G/90 contests at the PHCC! The usual stalwart tandem spoilers of **Bedy** and **Jones** were not up to the task this month as neither could post an upset.

The July stars must have been in perfect alignment for Lon as he maneuvered his way through the opposition to bring home the bacon!

PHCC-USCF Rated July 2016 Quad -- Standings

#	Name/Rtng/ID	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3
2	Lonnie Rutkofske 1820	W 3 1.0	B 4 2.0	W 1 3.0
1	Matthew Morabito 1864	W 4 1.0	B 3 2.0	B 2 2.0
3	G. Avery Jones 1679	B 2 0.0	W 1 0.0	B 4 1.0
4	Noel Bedy 1553	B 1 0.0	W 2 0.0	W 3 0.0

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.

A note from Chris Eagle regarding the member games from the May-June 2016 CC:

Hey Lon,

Great to see the games from the 70s, especially the one from Jack. I remember that Jack was *in love* with the smothered mate and he never missed a chance to show it to anyone who might be even remotely interested.. Chris

Rutkofske,Lonnie (1820) - Jones,G. Avery (1679) [A15] English Opening

2016 PHCC-USCF Rated July Quad Port Huron, 2016

1.c4 c6 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.b3 g6 4.Bb2 Bg7 5.d3 0-0 6.e3 d5 7.cxd5 cxd5 8.Be2 Nc6 9.0-0 Bg4 10.Nd4 Bxe2 11.Nxe2 e5 12.a3 Rc8 13.Ra2 Re8 14.b4 Ng4 15.h3 Nf6 16.Nd2 Qb6 17.Qa4 a6 18.Nb3 Nd7 19.d4 Qd8 20.Nc5 Nxc5 21.dxc5 d4 22.e4 Qh4 23.Qc2 Red8 24.Qd3 Qe7 25.Bc1 Qe6 26.Rd2 Rd7 27.Rdd1 Rcd8 28.Bd2 Na7 29.f4 Nb5 30.a4 Nc3 31.Nxc3 dxc3 32.Qxc3 exf4 33.Qc2 Rd4 34.Bxf4 Rxd1 35.Rxd1 Rxd1+ 36.Qxd1 h5 37.Qd5 Qc8 38.b5 axb5 39.axb5 Qa8 40.c6 bxc6 41.bxc6 Qa1+ 42.Kh2 Bd4 43.h4 Qg1+ 44.Kh3 Bf2 45.Bh2 Qe1 46.Qd3 Qc1 47.c7 Kh7 48.Qf3 Bd4 49.Qxf7+ Bg7 50.Qf3 Qc6 51.Bf4 Qd7+ 52.Kh2 Qc8 53.Qh3 1-0

Morabito,Matthew (1864) - Bedy,Noel (1553) [A12] English Opening

2016 PHCC-USCF Rated July Quad Port Huron (1), 07.07.2016

1.Nf3 d5 2.g3 c6 3.Bg2 Nf6 4.b3 Bg4 5.Bb2 e6 6.d3 Be7 7.Nbd2 Nbd7 8.0-0 0-0 9.c4 Qc7 10.h3 Bxf3 11.Nxf3 Rad8 12.Qc2 Bd6 13.cxd5 exd5 14.Rac1 Ne5 15.Nd4 Qd7 16.Qd2 c5 17.Nf3 Nxf3+ 18.exf3 Be7 19.Bxf6 Bxf6 20.Rxc5 Qd6 21.Rc2 Rc8 22.Rfc1 Qd7 23.f4 Rxc2 24.Qxc2 Qb5 25.Qc5 Qxd3 26.Qxd5 Qa6 27.Qxb7 Qxa2 28.Rc8 g6 29.Rxf8+ Kxf8 30.Bd5 1-0

Bedy,Noel (1553) - Rutkofske,Lonnie (1820) [B06] Modern Defense

2016 PHCC-USCF Rated July Quad Marysville (2), 13.07.2016

1.e4 d6 2.d4 g6 3.Nc3 a6 4.Nf3 Bg7 5.Be2 b5 6.h3 Bb7 7.Bd3 Nd7 8.0-0 h6 9.Re1 e6 10.a3 Ne7 11.b4 c5 12.Bf1 cxd4 13.Nxd4 0-0 14.f3 d5 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Nxd5 Bxd5 17.c3 Nb6 18.Bd2 Rc8 19.Rb1 Na4 20.Re3 Qb6 21.Kh1 Rfd8 22.Rc1 Nb2 23.Qe1 Bc4 24.Rb1 Na4 25.Bxc4 Rxc4 26.Ne2 Qc7 27.Re4 Rxe4 28.fxe4 Qc4 29.Ng1 Bxc3 30.Bxc3 Qxc3 31.Qxc3 Nxc3 32.e5 Nxb1 0-1

Jones,G. Avery (1679) - Morabito,Matthew (1864) [B08] Pirc Defense: Classical Variation

2016 PHCC-USCF Rated July Quad Port Huron (2), 14.07.2016

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nc3 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Bd3 0-0 6.0-0 Bg4 7.h3 Bxf3 8.Qxf3 Nc6 9.Be3 Nd7 10.Ne2 Nb4 11.a3 Nxd3 12.cxd3 c5 13.Nc3 cxd4 14.Nd5 dxe3 15.fxe3 e6 16.Nc3 Rc8 17.Rac1 Bxc3 18.bxc3 Qa5 19.c4 b5 20.cxb5 Rxc1 21.Rxc1 Ne5 22.Qd1 Qxb5 23.d4 Nc4 24.Qd3 d5 25.Rb1 Qa5 26.exd5 exd5 27.e4 Qd2 28.Qb3 Qxd4+ 29.Kh1 Qxe4 30.Rd1 Re8 31.Qb5 Ne3 32.Rd2 d4 33.Qd7 Nf1 34.Rxd4 Ng3+ 35.Kh2 Qe5 36.Rd5 Nf1+ 37.Kg1 Qe3+ 38.Kh1 Ng3+ 39.Kh2 Nf5 40.Rd1

Qg3+ 41.Kh1 Re1+ 42.Rxe1 Qxe1+ 43.Kh2 Qg3+ 44.Kg1 Qxa3 45.Qe8+ Qf8 46.Qa4 Qc5+ 47.Kh2 a5 48.Qe8+ Kg7 49.Qa4 Qe5+ 50.Kh1 h5 51.Kg1 Qd4+ 52.Qxd4+ Nxd4 0-1

Rutkofske,Lonnie (1820) - Morabito,Matthew (1864) [A36] Symmetrical English

2016 PHCC-USCF Rated July Quad Port Huron (3), 20.07.2016

1.c4 Nf6 2.g3 g6 3.Bg2 Bg7 4.Nc3 0-0 5.e4 d6 6.h3 c5 7.d3 Nc6 8.Nge2 e5 9.0-0 Be6 10.f4 Qd7 11.Kh2 Nh5 12.Nd5 exf4 13.gxf4 Bxd5 14.cxd5 Nd4 15.Rb1 f5 16.Be3 Nxe2 17.Qxe2 Rae8 18.Qd2 fxe4 19.dxe4 Nf6 20.e5 dxe5 21.Bxc5 exf4 22.Bxf8 Bxf8 23.Kh1 Bd6 24.Rbe1 Rxe1 25.Qxe1 Nh5 26.Rf3 Ng3+ 27.Kh2 Nf5 28.Qe6+ Qxe6 29.dxe6 Nh4 30.Rd3 f3+ 31.Rxd6 1-0

Bedy,Noel (1553) - Jones,G. Avery (1679) [B10] Caro-Kann

2016 PHCC-USCF Rated July Quad Port Huron (3), 21.07.2016

1.e4 c6 2.Bc4 d5 3.Bb3 Be6 4.e5 g6 5.Nf3 Bg7 6.d4 Nh6 7.0-0 0-0 8.c3 Qc7 9.Bg5 f6 10.Bf4 fxe5 11.Bxe5 Bxe5 12.Nxe5 Nd7 13.Nf3 Bg4 14.Nbd2 e5 15.h3 Bxf3 16.Nxf3 e4 17.Nd2 Kg7 18.c4 Qd6 19.cxd5 cxd5 20.Rc1 Nb6 21.Qe2 Nf5 22.Nxe4 dxe4 23.Qxe4 Rae8 24.Qd3 Re7 25.d5 h5 26.a4 Rfe8 27.Qc3+ Kh7 28.Rfd1 Rc8 29.Qf3 Rxc1 30.Rxc1 Nd4 0-1

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 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*.

2016 Events Schedule:

August 18 -PHCC Rated G/5 Blitz - Double Round Robin - G/5 minutes: EF: \$5.00 A/\$2.50 Jr. PHCC membership required. Tournament begins at 7:00 PM, but register with Lon before if possible. A minimum of 4 players required. Prizes based on entries.

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| Sept. 22 | PHCC Rated G/10 Action Swiss |
| October 20 | PHCC G/5 Speed Championships |
| Nov. 17 | 17th Duncan Memorial Turkey Gobbler Tournament |
| Dec. 15 | Wilkinson's Petrosian Christmas Extravaganza |

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.

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 7/22/16

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Bruziewicz, Andrew	2118
Gregg, Alan	1913
Rutkofske, Lon	1905
Morabito, Matt	1898
West, Tony	1878
Wilkinson, Stew	1866
Jones, G. Avery	1751
Wingrove, Bill	1700
Bedy, Noel	1647
Scholfield, Chris	1503
Beneker, Gerrit	1483
Boucher, Dave	1482
Heinrich, Chuckie	994
Nowiski, Adam	969
Allen, Nathan	957

USCF Ratings as of 7/22/16

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Bruziewicz, Andrew	2121
Gregg, Alan	1941
West, Tony	1889
Rutkofske, Lon	1871
Morabito, Matt	1860
Wilkinson, Stew	1844
Jones, G. Avery	1671
Wingrove, Bill	1614
Bedy, Noel	1528
Boucher, Dave	1303
Heinrich, Chuckie	896P
Nowiski, Adam	673P7

PHCC Speed Ratings as of 7/22/16

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Bruziewicz, Andrew	2248
Gregg, Alan	1952
Rutkofske, Lon	1949
Wilkinson, Stew	1906
West, Tony	1801
Morabito, Matt	1724
Jones, G. Avery	1590
Wingrove, Bill	1561
Scholfield, Chris	1552
Bedy, Noel	1527
Beneker Gerrit	1500
Nowiski, Adam	1364
Heinrich. Chuckie	1000