



# Chess Chatter

Newsletter of the Port Huron Chess Club

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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.yolasite.com/>

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## **Gregg Captures Club Championship Crown - Boucher Notches Top Under 1600 Award**

Croswell native, **Alan Gregg** defeated **Tom Broyles** in the final round to notch the 2010 Port Huron Chess Club Championship Tournament. Matt Morabito was the only warrior to put a dent in the Champ's armor with a first round draw versus the top rated Gregg. There seemed to be lots of rust on the armor of most of the combatants, as many games were decided via errors rather than sterling play. The top-heavy field of A and B players featured several past champions, none of which could distance himself from the competition. Alan, a native of London, England, entered his first PHCC club championship competition fresh from an FIDE international tournament on the Isle of Guernsey. Although he discounted his results as sub-par, against many top rated European competitors, this experience had to contribute significantly to the quality and consistency of his play. **Mike Petty**, 1980 Club Champion, gave a good accounting of himself, but fell short of the top prize in his head to head with Gregg. Former Champs, **Bob Fielder**, **Bill Wingrove**, **Lon Rutkofske**, and **Phil Willard** were inconsistent in their play. New comer, **Dave Boucher** played well enough to get by Phil and draw Bob, to capture his first club prize. Game Scores for the final round can be found in the games section to follow. A complete bulletin of the tournament can be found and downloaded on our webstie: <http://porthuronchessclub.yolasite.com/>.



2010 PHCC Champ – Alan Gregg



Top Under 1600 – Dave Boucher

## 2010 PHCC Championships Results January 14 – March 4, 2010

Position	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4		
Start/Finish		Pre/Post						
1	1	Alan Gregg	1981/1988	B5	B7	W6	W4	Club Champion
				0.5	1.5	2.5	3.5	
6	2	Michael Petty	1703/1740	B8	W4	B1	W5	
				1.0	2.0	2.0	3.0	
2	3	Lon Rutkofske	1902/1873	W7	B10	B5	W9	
				0.5	1.5	1.5	2.5	
5	4	Matt Morabito	1725/1760	W1	B3	W2	B6	
				0.5	1.5	2.5	2.5	
7	5	Bill Wingrove	1688/1701	B2	W1	W9	B10	
				0.5	0.5	1.5	2.5	
4	6	Tom Broyles	1737/1736	W9	B6	W3	B1	
				1.0	1.0	2.0	2.0	
3	7	Bob Fiedler	1769/1725	B10	W5	B4	W8	
				0.5	0.5	0.5	1.5	
10	8	Dave Boucher	1303/1337	W3	W2	B8	W7	Top Under 1600
				0.5	0.5	1.5	1.5	
9	9	Jaime Chan	1447/1452	B4	W8	B7	B2	
				0.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	
8	10	Phil Willard	1514/1456	W6	B9	W10	B3	
				0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	

## PHCC Rating List

The following list represents a realignment and update after the Club Championships. It identifies only current members of the Port Huron Chess Club. Current USCF ratings were used for members that had them, to construct the initial list. Members that had no USCF ratings were given a provisional rating based on their performances against regular club members who had USCF ratings. From this point forward, club rated events will use these ratings for pairing purposes.

### PHCC Rating List as of 3/05/10

Name	Rating
Gregg, Alan	1988
Rutkofske, Lon	1873
Morabito, Matt	1760
Petty, Michael	1740
Broyles, Tom	1736
Fiedler, Robert	1725
Wingrove, Bill	1701
Berthen, Dale	1537
Scholfield, Chris	1503
Willard, Phil	1456
Chan, Jaime	1452
Boucher, Dave	1337
Jachcinski, Michael	1016
Tuttle, Aaron	498

### USCF Ratings as of 3/5/10

Name	Rating
Gregg, Alan	1986
Rutkofske, Lon	1912
Fiedler, Robert	1769
Broyles, Tom	1737
Morabito, Matt	1725
Petty, Michael	1703
Wingrove, Bill	1694
Willard, Phil	1551
Chan, Jaime	1447
Trombley, Cody	1278
Boucher, Dave	1277
Mireau, Nathan	1050
Jachcinski, Michael	987

**Corrections:** March Issue Vol. 29. No. 3 – The heading of the Chan-Willard game was reversed. It should read: Chan, Jaime 1447 – Willard, Phil 1514.

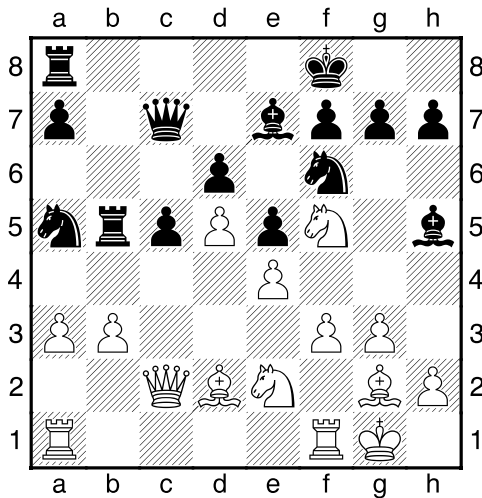
## Members' Games

*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 analysis done by Fritz 11, unless otherwise indicated. This month's games will feature contests from this year's championships. The following games were played in Round 4.*

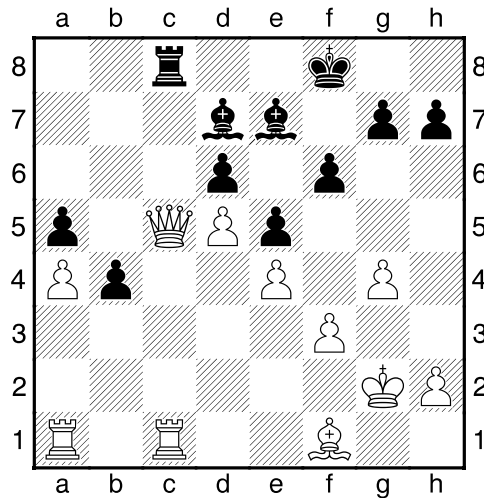
### **Rutkofske,Lon (1902) – Chan,Jaime (1447) [B07]**

2010 PHCC Championships St. Clair (4), 27.02.2010

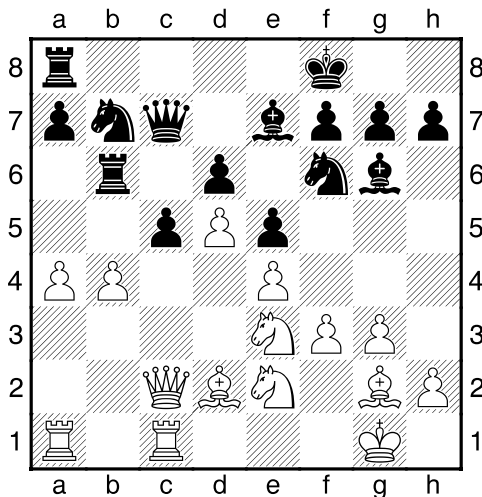
**1.e4 d6 2.g3 Nf6 3.Bg2 Bg4 4.f3 Bh5 5.Ne2 e5 6.c4 Nc6 7.0-0 Be7 8.Nbc3 0-0 9.a3 Qd7 10.d4 Rfd8 11.d5 Na5 12.b3 c6 13.Bd2 c5 14.Qc2 Rdb8 15.Nd1 Qc7 16.Ne3 b5 17.Nf5 Kf8 18.cxb5 Rxb5** Diagram



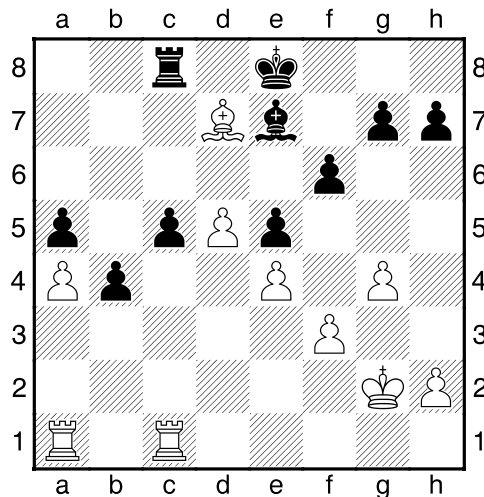
**19.b4** [Fritz 11: 1) 19.Nxe7 Qxe7 20.a4 Rb4 21.Bxb4 cxb4 22.Bh3 Nd7 23.Bxd7 Qxd7 24.Rac1 f6 25.Qd3 Kg8 26.Rc2 Rc8 27.Rxc8+ 2.00/15 ; Fritz 11: 2) 19.b4 Nb7 20.Qc4 Rb6 21.Nc3 a6 22.Rab1 Kg8 23.Be3 h6 24.Na4 Rb5 25.Nxe7+ Qxe7 26.bxc5 1.87/10 ] **19...Nb7 20.a4 Rb6 21.Rfc1 Bg6 22.Ne3** Diagram



**37...dxc5** [Fritz 11: 1) 37...dxc5 38.Bc4 Rb8 39.Kf2 Bd6 40.Ke3 Kf7 41.Kd3 Rh8 42.Bb5 Bc8 43.Rc2 h5 44.gxh5 Rxh5 45.Kc4 Rh3 46.Rf1 0.20/17 ; Fritz 11: 2) 37...Rxc5 38.Bb5 Bc8 39.Kf1 Kf7 40.Ke2 Kg6 41.Rxc5 dxc5 42.Ke3 Bd6 43.Rb1 Kf7 44.Kd3 Ke7 45.Kc4 g6 46.Bc6 0.86/17 ] **38.Bb5 Ke8 39.Bxd7+** Diagram



**22...Ne8 23.Nc4** [Fritz 11: 1) 23.Rab1 a6 24.Qd3 Nf6 25.Qa3 Kg8 26.Nc4 Nxd5 27.exd5 Bxb1 28.Nxb6 Qxb6 29.Rxb1 cxb4+ 1.91/13 ; Fritz 11: 2) 23.b5 Nd8 24.Qd3 Kg8 25.Nc4 Rb7 26.f4 exf4 27.Nxf4 Bf6 28.Ra2 Qd7 29.Bc3 Bxc3 1.90/12 ] **23...cxb4 24.Nxb6 Qxb6+ 25.Kh1 Nc5 26.Qc4 a5 27.Rcb1 Nc7 28.Nc3 f6 29.Nb5 Be8 30.Bf1 Rb8 31.Nxc7 Qxc7 32.Be3 Rc8 33.Bxc5 Qxc5 34.Rc1 Bh5 35.g4 Be8 36.Kg2 Bd7 37.Qxc5** Diagram

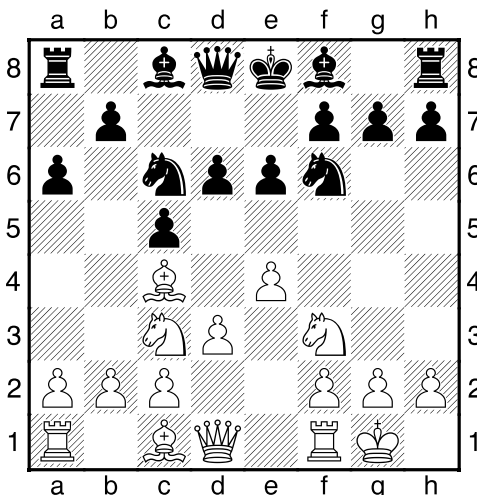


**39...Kxd7** [Fritz 11: 1) 39...Kxd7 0.11/18 ; Fritz 11: 2) 39...Kd8 40.Bxc8 Kxc8 41.Rxc5+ Bxc5 42.Rc1 Kd7 43.Rxc5 g6 44.Rxa5 h5 45.gxh5 gxh5 46.Rb5 f5 47.exf5 Kd6 48.f6 b3 49.f7 Ke7 50.Rxb3 9.28/18 ] **40.Rc4 Kd6 41.Rb1 Bd8 42.Kf2 Be7 43.Ke2 Bd8 44.Kd3 Be7 45.Rb3 Bd8 46.Rc2 Be7 47.Kc4 g5 48.Rb1 h6 49.Rbc1 Rc7 50.Kb5 b3 51.Rc4 b2 52.Rb1 Rb7+ 53.Ka6 Kc7 54.Rc2 Bd6 55.Rxb2 Rb8 56.Rxb8 Kxb8 1-0**

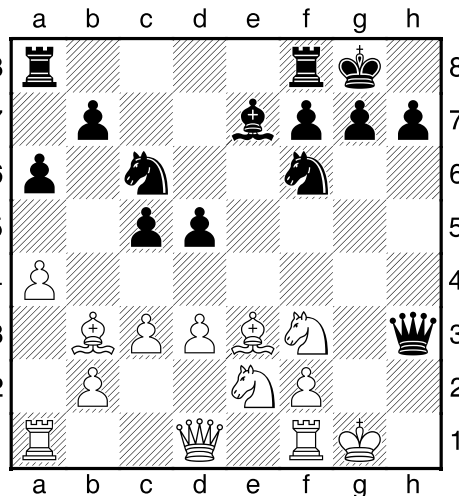
**Petty, Mike (1703) – Morabito, Matt (1725) [B30]**

2010 PHCC Championships Port Huron (4), 25.02.2010

1.e4 c5 2.Bc4 e6 3.Nc3 Nc6 4.Nf3 d6 5.0-0 Nf6 6.d3 a6 Diagram

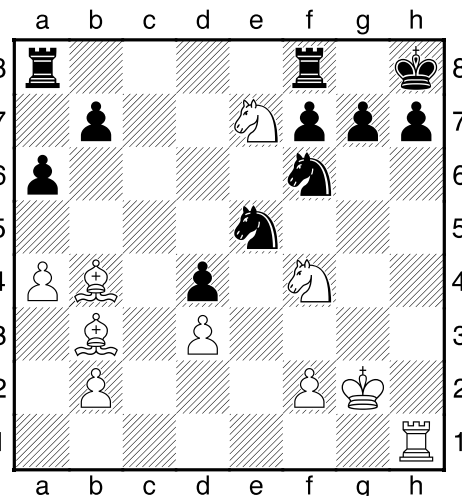


7.h3 Be7 [Fritz 11: 1) 7...Be7 8.Bf4 b5 9.Bb3 0-0 10.Qe2 Nd4 11.Qe3 Bb7 12.Rad1 Nh5 13.Bh2 Nxb3 14.axb3 Qc7 15.d4 0.27/14 ; Fritz 11: 2) 7...b5 8.Bb3 Be7 9.Qe2 0-0 10.Be3 Bd7 11.a3 Qc7 12.Rab1 h6 13.Rbd1 Na5 14.Ba2 0.33/14 ] 8.a4 Bd7 9.Be3 0-0 10.Ne2 d5 11.exd5 exd5 12.Bb3 Qc8 13.c3 Bxh3 14.gxh3 Qxh3 Diagram



15.Nf4 [Fritz 11: 1) 15.Nf4 Qf5 16.Kh1 d4 17.Bd2 Bd6 18.Nh4 Qd7 19.Qf3 Ne5 20.Qg3 dxc3 21.bxc3 c4 22.dxc4 Qc6+ 1.46/14 ; Fritz 11: 2) 15.Ng3 Bd6 16.Qd2 Qg4 17.Bd1 Bxg3 18.fxg3 Qxg3+ 19.Qg2 Qd6 20.d4 c4 21.Nh4 Ne4 22.Bh5 0.64/13 ] 15...Qg4+ 16.Kh1 d4

17.Rg1 Qd7 18.cxd4 cxd4 19.Bd2 Bd6 20.Qf1 Qf5 21.Qg2 Ne8 22.Nh4 Qf6 23.Qg5 Qxg5 24.Rxg5 Be7 25.Rg4 Ne5 26.Nf5 Nxd4 27.Nxe7+ Kh8 28.Kg2 Nef6 29.Rh1 Ne5 30.Bb4 Diagram

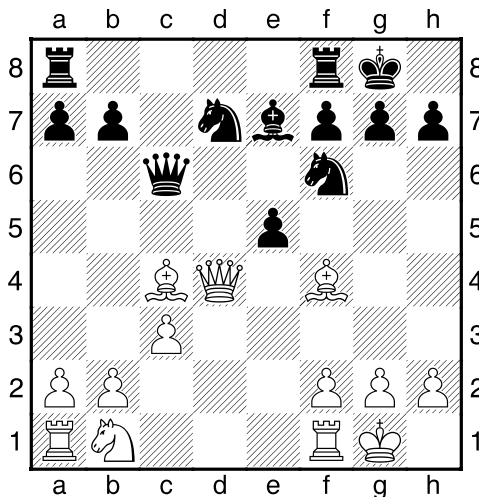


30...Rfe8 [Fritz 11: 1) 30...g5 31.Nfd5 Nxd5 32.Nxd5 Kg7 33.Bc5 Rac8 34.Bxd4 Rfe8 35.f4 gxf4 36.Nxf4 Re7 37.Re1 f6 38.Bd5 Kh6 39.a5 Rg7+ 1.50/16 ; Fritz 11: 2) 30...Rad8 31.Bc5 g5 32.Nfd5 Nxd5 33.Nxd5 Kg7 34.f4 gxf4 35.Bxf8+ Rxf8 36.Nxf4 Rc8 37.Re1 Rg8 38.Bd5 Kf6+ 1.49/12 ] 31.Re1 Nc6 32.Bxf7 Nxb4 33.Neg6+ 1-0

**Boucher, Dave (1688) – Wingrove, Bill (1303) [B50]**

2010 PHCC Championships Port Huron (4), 25.02.2010

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.c3 Nf6 4.e5 dxe5 5.Nxe5 Qd5 6.Bb5+ Bd7 7.Nxd7 Nxd7 8.0-0 e6 9.d3 Be7 10.Bf4 0-0 11.Bc4 Qc6 12.d4 cxd4 13.Qxd4 e5 Diagram

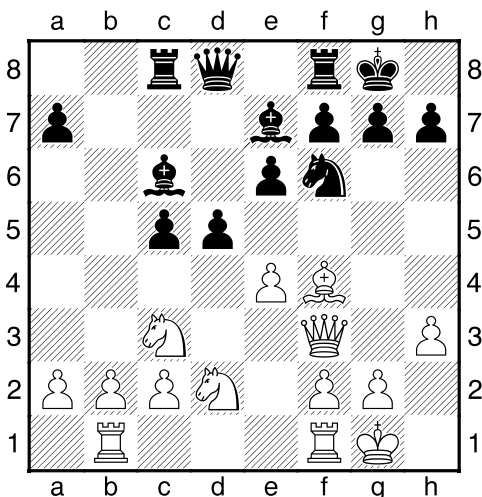


**14.Bxf7+** [Fritz 11: 1) 14.Bxe5 Bc5 15.Qf4 Nxe5 16.Qxe5 Rad8 17.Qe2 Rfe8 18.Qf3 Qc7 19.Bd3 Rd5 20.g3 Qd7 21.Bc4 Rh5 -0.99/15 ; Fritz 11: 2) 14.Qd3 exf4 15.Nd2 Ne5 16.Qe2 Bd6 17.Bb5 Qd5 18.Rfe1 Rad8 19.Rad1 Qxa2 20.Nc4 Nxc4 21.Bxc4 -4.44/13 ] **14...Rxf7 15.Bxe5 Nxe5 16.Qxe5 Bc5 17.Nd2 Ng4 18.Qe2 Nxf2 19.Rxf2 Rxf2 20.Qc4+ Kh8 21.Ne4 Qxe4 22.Qxe4 Re2+ 23.Qd4 Bxd4+ 0-1**

**Willard,Phil (1514) – Fiedler,Bob (1769) [B56]**

2010 PHCC Championships Port Huron (4), 25.02.2010

**1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 d6 4.d4 cxd4 5.Nxd4 Nf6 6.h3 e6 7.Bb5 Bd7 8.Bxc6 bxc6 9.0-0 Be7 10.Be3 c5 11.Nb3 0-0 12.Qf3 Bc6 13.Nd2 Rb8 14.Rab1 d5 15.Bf4 Rc8** Diagram



**16.Rfe1** [Fritz 11: 1) 16.e5 d4 17.Nce4 Nxe4 18.Nxe4 Qd5 19.Rfe1 Qxa2 20.Qd3 Rb8 21.b3 Bb5 22.Qd1 h6 23.Qd2 -0.81/13 ; Fritz 11: 2) 16.Qe2 d4 17.e5 dxc3 18.exf6 Bxf6 19.bxc3 Bxc3 20.Rfd1 Qd4 21.Be3 Qd5 22.f3 Rb8 23.Ne4 -1.04/9 ] **16...dxe4 17.Ndxe4 Nxe4 18.Nxe4 f5 19.Qg3 Bxe4 20.Bh6 Bf6 21.Rbd1 Qe8 22.c3 Qg6 23.Bf4 Qxg3 24.Bxg3 Rfd8 25.f3 Rxd1 26.Rxd1 Bd5 27.a3 Bb3 28.Rd7 Rd8 29.Rxa7 Rd1+ 30.Kh2 Rd2 31.Ra5 Be7 32.c4 Bxc4 33.Ra8+ Kf7 34.Ra7 Ke8 35.Be5 g6 36.Bc3 Bd6+ 37.Kg1 Rd1+ 38.Kf2 Rf1+ 39.Ke3 f4+ 40.Ke4 Bd5+ 41.Kd3 Rf2 42.Rxh7 c4+ 43.Kd4 Rxg2 44.Rh8+ Kd7 45.Rh7+ Kc6 46.a4 e5# 0-1**

**Gregg,Alan (1981) – Broyles,Tom (1737) [C78]**

2010 PHCC Championships Port Huron (4), 04.03.2010

**1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Bc5 6.Nxe5 0-0 7.Bxc6 dxc6 8.d3 Re8 9.Nf3 Bg4 10.Be3 Bd6 11.Nbd2 Qd7 12.Nc4 Rad8 13.Nxd6 cxd6 14.Bb6 Rc8 15.Be3 h6 16.Kh1 c5 17.c4 Re7 18.h3 Bxh3 19.gxh3 Qxh3+ 20.Nh2 h5 21.Qf3 Qh4 22.Qg3 Qxg3 23.fxg3 Nd7 24.Nf3 f6 25.Rad1 Rd8 26.Bc1 Kf7 27.Kg2 Kg6 28.b3 Re6 29.Bb2 b6 30.Rh1 Kh6 31.g4 g6 32.Bc1+ Kh7 33.gxh5 gxh5 34.Rxh5+ Kg8 35.Kf2 Ne5 36.Rg1+ 1-0**

**Calendar of Coming Events:**

Registration for all events begins at 6:30 PM or via email, first round begins at 7:00 PM.

March 11<sup>th</sup> USCF Rated Mini-Swiss or Rd Robin G/30 3-Rds – event canceled for lack of interest

April 8<sup>th</sup> Double Round Robin G/10 – EF: A: \$2.00, Under19:\$1.00

May 13<sup>th</sup> G/5 Blitz PHCC Speed Champs – Round Robin – EF: A: \$2.00, Under19:\$1.00

**Dues News**

The Port Huron Chess Club will begin to collect dues for the coming year. 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 \$2.00 for adults, and \$1.00 for those under 19. Dues funds are used to offset miscellaneous expenses not funded by the Recreation Department.