



Chess Tournament Bulletin

by Kevin Hyde

List of Players.....	2
Prizes	2
Tournament Summary	3
Cross Table.....	4
Rounds 1 through 4, 2-Weekend Schedule.....	5
Rounds 1 through 4, 7-Day Schedule.....	9
Round 5.....	11
Round 6.....	15
Round 7.....	19
Round 8.....	23
Round 9.....	27
Symbol Key.....	28
Game Scores	29
Index.....	43

List of Players

No.	Ttl	Name	St	Rate
1	IM	Burnett, Ronald	TN	2408
2	FM	Bereolos, Peter	TN	2325
3	FM	Simpson, Ronald	NC	2302
4		Mabe, Chris J	NC	2281
5		Pupols, Viktors	WA	2247
6		Jones, Craig W	NC	2235
7		Pohl, Klaus A	SC	2206
8		Dana, Maurice	NC	2200
9		Harris, Neal D	NC	2200
10		Williams, Justus D	NY	2075
11		Myers, Dominique	NC	2052
12		Christensen, Wayne	SC	2028
13		Lauria, Michael D	SC	2001
14		Xin, Samuel L	NC	2001

Prizes

Name	Rate	Score	Prize	For
Jones, Craig W	2235	7.0	750.00	1st Overall
Bereolos, Peter	2325	6.5	450.00	2nd Overall
Pohl, Klaus A	2206	6.0	150.00	3rd Overall
Williams, Justus D	2075	5.5	150.00	1st U2300
Burnett, Ronald	2408	5.0	100.00	4th Overall
Simpson, Ronald	2302	5.0	100.00	5th Overall
Pupols, Viktors	2247	5.0	100.00	6th Overall
Dana, Maurice	2200	4.0	100.00	7th Overall
Xin, Samuel L	2001	4.0	100.00	8th Overall
Mabe, Chris J	2281	3.5	100.00	9th Overall
Christensen, Wayne	2028	3.5	100.00	2nd U2300
Myers, Dominique	2052	3.0	100.00	3rd U2300
Harris, Neal D	2200	2.5	100.00	4th U2300
Lauria, Michael D	2001	2.5	100.00	5th U2300

© 2011 Kevin Hyde, all game scores are public domain

Tournament Summary

Craig Jones scored 7 out of 9 and was crowned the 2010 U.S. Masters Champion. **Peter Bereolas** and **Klaus Pohl** placed 2nd and 3rd respectively with 6.5 and 6 points. Eleven-year-old **Justus Williams** from New York finished with 5.5 points earning him the best under 2300 prize.

Forty other players were onhand to watch the masters while competing in their own tournaments. **Claude (Bill) Corbett**, **Kyle Oody**, **David High**, and **Nathan Lyda** tied for first in the N.C. Sub-Masters with 6.5 points. **Bryan Hall** was clear first in the Sub-Sub-Masters with wins against all the other entrants.

Five of the U.S. Masters players reentered and eight different house players were used from the concurrent tournaments resulting in 27 lines on the cross table. The tournament, held March 13 to 21, was open to all players who had ever been rated over 2200, foreign FIDE-rated players, and juniors rated over 2000. The time control was 40 moves in 2 hours followed by all remaining moves in 30 minutes.

Craig Jones is an active chess player, teacher, and coach from the Chapel Hill, North Carolina area. His five wins, four draws, and zero losses were better than all the competition, five of whom were rated higher than him.

The tournament was directed by Kevin Hyde and held at the Quality Inn & Suites of Hendersonville, North Carolina.



TD Kevin Hyde with U.S. Masters Champion Craig Jones

Cross Table

No.	Name	Rate	Pts	Rnd1	Rnd2	Rnd3	Rnd4	Rnd5	Rnd6	Rnd7	Rnd8	Rnd9
1	Jones, Craig W	2235	7.0	W13	W11	D2	D10	W3	W4	D5	W9	D7
2	Bereolos, Peter	2325	6.5	D15	W9	D1	W18	-H-	W10	W3	D4	D6
3	Pohl, Klaus A	2206	6.0	W24	-H-	W12	-H-	L1	W11	L2	W10	W13
4	Williams, Justus D	2075	5.5	-H-	-H-	D20	W5	W11	L1	W10	D2	D8
5	Pupols, Viktors	2247	5.0	W16	D14	D8	L4	-X-	W6	D1	L7	D21
6	Simpson, Ronald	2302	5.0	-H-	-H-	-H-	-H-	W9	L5	D7	W8	D2
7	Burnett, Ronald	2408	5.0	-H-	-H-	-H-	-H-	-F-	W8	D6	W5	D1
8	Dana, Maurice	2200	4.0	-H-	-H-	D5	W14	L10	L7	W13	L6	D4
9	Xin, Samuel L	2001	4.0	D18	L2	W13	-H-	L6	W12	W11	L1	-N-
10	Christensen, Wayne	2028	3.5	L11	W25	W17	D1	W8	L2	L4	L3	-N-
11	Mabe, Chris J	2281	3.5	W10	L1	W18	-H-	L4	L3	L9	W13	-N-
12	Myers, Dominique	2052	3.0	W17	D18	L3	-H-	L13	L9	L19	W26	-N-
13	Lauria, Michael D	2001	2.5	L1	L17	L9	D22	W12	W27	L8	L11	L3
14	Pohl, Klaus A	2206	2.5	W23	D5	W16	L8	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-
15	Harris, Neal D	2200	2.5	D2	-H-	-H-	-H-	-H-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-
16	Harris, Neal D	2200	1.5	L5	W23	L14	-H-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-
17	Simpson, Ronald	2302	1.5	L12	W13	L10	-H-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-
18	Pupols, Viktors	2247	1.0	D9	D12	L11	L2	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-
19	Thompson, James C	1844	1.0	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	W12	-U-	-U-
20	Lyda, Nathaniel	1851	0.5	-U-	-U-	D4	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-
21	Thompson, Reece E	1816	0.5	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	D5
22	Corbett III, Claude	1914	0.5	-U-	-U-	-U-	D13	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-
23	Williams, Justus D	2075	0.0	L14	L16	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-
24	High, David L	1930	0.0	L3	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-
25	Waddell, Bobby	1927	0.0	-U-	L10	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-
26	Rankin, Tim	1842	0.0	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	L12	-U-
27	Oody, Kyle J	1885	0.0	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	-U-	L13	-U-	-U-	-U-

Rounds 1 through 4, 2-Weekend Schedule

Eleven players entered the 2-Weekend schedule and Peter Bereolas, Craig Jones, and Klaus Pohl each reached the top of the cross table with 3 points. Ronald Simpson got upset twice but reentered with byes into the second weekend.

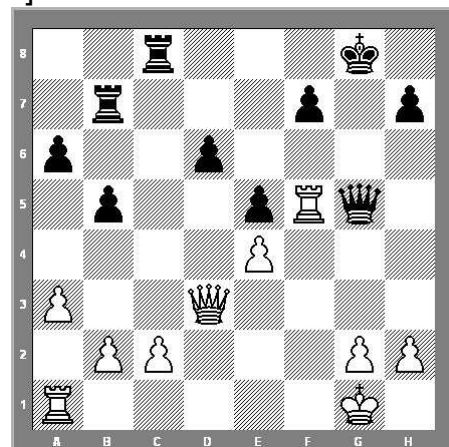
No.	Name	Rate	Pts	Rnd1	Rnd2	Rnd3	Rnd4
1	Bereolos, Peter	2325	3.0	D6	W8	D2	W10
2	Jones, Craig W	2235	3.0	W11	W4	D1	D5
3	Pohl, Klaus A	2206	3.0	W13	-H-	W7	-H-
4	Mabe, Chris J	2281	2.5	W5	L2	W10	-H-
5	Christensen, Wayne	2028	2.5	L4	W14	W9	D2
6	Harris, Neal D	2200	2.0	D1	-H-	-H-	-H-
7	Myers, Dominique	2052	2.0	W9	D10	L3	-H-
8	Xin, Samuel L	2001	2.0	D10	L1	W11	-H-
9	Simpson, Ronald	2302	1.5	L7	W11	L5	-H-
10	Pupols, Viktors	2247	1.0	D8	D7	L4	L1
11	Lauria, Michael D	2001	0.5	L2	L9	L8	D12
12	Corbett III, Claude	1914	0.5	-U-	-U-	-U-	D11
13	High, David L	1930	0.0	L3	-U-	-U-	-U-
14	Waddell, Bobby	1927	0.0	-U-	L5	-U-	-U-

Myers, Dominique (2052) – Simpson, Ronald (2302) [B33]

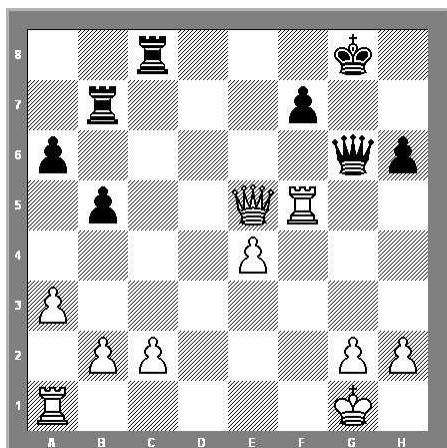
2010 U.S. Masters Championship
Hendersonville, NC (1.1), 13.03.2010
[Fritz 9 (30s)]

B33: Sicilian: Pelikan and Sveshnikov
Variations **1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.Nf3 Nc6**
4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e6 6.Ndb5 d6 7.Bf4
e5 8.Bg5 a6 9.Na3 Be7 last book move
10.Bxf6 gxf6 11.Nd5 f5 12.f3 [12.exf5
Bxf5 13.Nc4 0-0±] **12...0-0= 13.Nc4 b5**
[13...Be6 14.exf5 Bxf5 15.Be2 Bh4+
16.g3=] **14.Nxe7+** [⚡14.Ncb6!? Rb8
15.Nxc8 Rxc8 16.g3±] **14...Qxe7=**
15.Nb6 White threatens to win material:
Nb6xa8 [15.Nxd6?? capturing this pawn
is a mistake 15...Rd8+; Instead of
15.Qxd6 bxc4 16.Qxc6 Qb4+ 17.Kf2
Qd2+ 18.Be2 Qd4+ 19.Kf1 Qxb2⚡]
15...Ra7 16.Bd3 Nb4 17.a3 [17.c3
Nxd3+ 18.Qxd3 fxe4 19.fxe4 Be6=]
17...Nxd3+= 18.Qxd3 fxe4 [18...Qh4+

19.g3 Qg5 20.0-0=] **19.fxe4± Qg5**
[19...Qh4+ 20.g3 Qh6 21.Nxc8 Rxc8
22.0-0±] **20.0-0 Rb7** [20...Be6!? 21.Rf3
Qd8±] **21.Nxc8+- Rxc8 22.Rf5**



22...Qg4? [⚡22...Qg6+-] **23.Qxd6 Qg6**
[23...Kh8 is no salvation 24.c3
(24.Qxe5+?! Qg7+-) 24...Rg8 25.g3+-]
24.Qxe5 h6

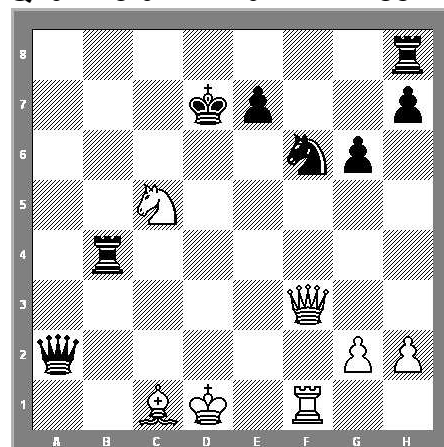


25.Rd1 [25.Rf3 and White can already relax 25...Kh7 26.Rg3 Qb6+ 27.Kf1 Rg8 28.Rxg8 Kxg8+--] **25...Qb6+?! instead of fighting back** [25...Qg7 26.Rf6 Rb6+--] **26.Kh1 Rxc2** [26...Qe6 hoping against hope 27.Qf4 Re7+--] **27.Rf3 Rc5** [27...Rc6 praying for a miracle 28.Rg3+ Rg6 29.Rxg6+ fxc6+--] **28.Rg3+ Kf8 29.Qh8+ Ke7 30.Rg8 Qc6 31.Rgd8 Ke6 32.Re8+ Re7** [32...Qxe8 a fruitless try to alter the course of the game 33.Qxe8+ Re7 34.Qd8 f5 35.Qd6+ Kf7 36.Qxc5 b4 37.Qxf5+ Kg7 38.Rd6 bxa3 39.Qg6+ Kf8 40.Rd8+ Re8 41.Rxe8#] **33.Qxh6+ f6** [33...Ke5 doesn't change anything anymore 34.Qg5+ Kxe4 35.Rxe7+ Qe6 36.Qg4+ Ke5 37.Re1+ Kf6 38.R7xe6+ fxe6 39.Rxe6+ Kf7 40.Qg6+ Kf8 41.Re8#] **34.Red8** [34.Qh3+ f5 35.Qh6+ Ke5 36.Rxe7+ Qe6 37.Rxe6#] **34...Qc7 35.Qg6** [35.Qh3+ Kf7 36.Qh7+ Ke6 37.Qg8+ Rf7 38.Re8+ Qe7 39.Rxe7+ Kxe7 40.Qd8+ Ke6 41.Qd6#] **35...Rg7** [35...Qxd8 no good, but what else? 36.Qg4+ Kf7 37.Rxd8 Rc1+ 38.Rd1 Rxd1+ 39.Qxd1 Rxe4 40.Qd5+ Re6+--] **36.Re8+ Re7 37.Qg4+ f5** [37...Rf5 is not the saving move 38.Qg8+ Ke5 39.Qd5+ Kf4 40.Qxf5+ Ke3 41.Qf3#] **38.Qg6+** [38.Qg6+ Ke5 39.Qxf5#] **1-0**

Pupols, Viktors (2247) - Myers, Dominique (2052) [A58]

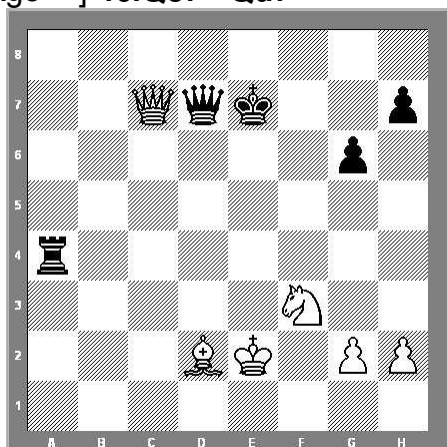
2010 U.S. Masters Championship
Hendersonville, NC (2.1), 13.03.2010
[Fritz 9 (30s)]

A58: Benko/Volga Gambit: Lines with 5 bxa6 **1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 b5 4.cxb5 a6 5.bxa6 Bxa6 6.f4 g6 7.Nf3 Bg7 8.Nc3 d6 9.e4 Bxf1 10.Rxf1** last book move **10...Nbd7 11.e5 dxe5 12.fxe5** [12.Nxe5?! Qc7 13.Nc4 0-0±] **12...Ng4 13.e6 fxe6 14.Ng5** [14.dxe6 Nf8 15.Qe2±] **14...Qa5?** [14...Bxc3+ 15.bxc3 Qa5±] **15.Nxe6??** overlooking an easy win [15.Bd2 Nxe2 16.Nxe6 (≤16.dxe6 Ne5 17.Rf7 c4±) 16...Nxf1 17.Nxg7+ Kf7 18.Bh6±] **15...Bxc3+-+ 16.bxc3 Qxc3+ 17.Qd2 Qe5+ 18.Kd1 Rb8** [18...Qxa1?! is much weaker 19.Nc7+ Kd8 20.Nxa8=] **19.Qg5 Qxa1 20.Qxg4 Rb4??** Black loses the upper hand [120...Qxa2 keeps an even firmer grip 21.Qf3 Nf6+] **21.Qf3** [21.Nc7+ Kd8 22.Ne6+ Kc8±] **21...Nf6+ 22.d6** [122.Qe3!? Ne4 23.Qa3 Nc3+ 24.Kc2±] **22...Qxa2 23.d7+ Kxd7 24.Nxc5+**



24...Ke8?? an unfortunate move that relinquishes the win [124...Kd6 Black clearly has the better chances 25.Rf2 Rd4+ 26.Ke1 Qa5+ 27.Kf1 Qxc5+ (≤27...Kxc5 28.Ba3+ Rb4 29.Qc3+ Kb5 30.Bxb4 Qxb4 31.Rb2 Qxb2 32.Qxb2+ Kc6 33.Qe5±)] **25.Qc6+± Kf7** Black has

a decisive advantage **26.Rxf6+**
 Demolishes the pawn shield **26...Kg7**
 [26...exf6 27.Qd7+] **27.Rf3** [27.Ne6+
 Kxf6 28.Ng5+ e6 29.Qc3+ e5 30.Qxb4
 Rd8+ 31.Ke1 Qd5+–] **27...Rd4+**
 [27...Rhb8 28.Qd7 Rb1 29.Qd2±]
28.Rd3 [Δ28.Ke1!? Rd6 29.Qb7±]
28...Rxd3+ 29.Nxd3 Rd8 Black pins:
 Rd8xd3 **30.Qc3+ Kf7 31.Bd2** [31.Ke1!?
 is interesting 31...Qxg2 32.Ne5+ Kg8
 33.Nf3 Qh1+ 34.Kf2=] **31...Qa4+♣**
32.Kc1 Qb5 [32...Qa6 33.Ne5+ Kg8
 34.Nc6♣] **33.Ne5+** [33.Kc2=] **33...Ke6**
 [Δ33...Kg8!? 34.Nf3 Qf1+ 35.Ne1 Qa6♣]
34.Nf3± Qd5 [Δ34...Kf7!?± has some
 apparent merit] **35.Kd1± Rd6**
 [35...Kf7!?±] **36.Ke1 Kd7 37.Ne5+**
 [Δ37.Kf2+– would have made live much
 easier for White] **37...Ke6± 38.Nf3**
 Twofold repetition [Δ38.Nc4 Qe4+
 39.Ne3±] **38...Kd7+– 39.Kf2 Rf6 40.Be3**
e5 41.Ke2 [Δ41.Bh6+–] **41...Ra6?**
 [Δ41...Rf5±] **42.Nxe5+– Ke6 43.Nf3**
Ra2+ 44.Bd2 Ra4 45.Qc8+ [45.Kf2
 makes it even easier for White
 45...Ra2+–] **45...Ke7** [45...Kf7 46.Qc7+
 Kg8 47.Qb8+ Kf7 48.Kf2 Qc5+
 49.Kg3+–] **46.Qc7+ Qd7**

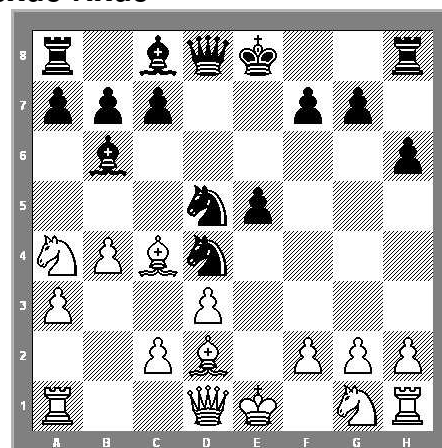


47.Qe5+ [Δ47.Bg5+ secures the point
 47...Ke6 48.Qb6+ Kd5 49.Qb3+ Kd6
 50.Kf2+–] **47...Qe6 48.Qxe6+ Kxe6**
49.Ng5+ Kf5 50.Nxh7 Rh4 51.Ng5
Rxh2 52.Kf3 Rh4 53.Be3 ½-½

Simpson, Ronald (2302) – Christensen, Wayne (2028) [C28]

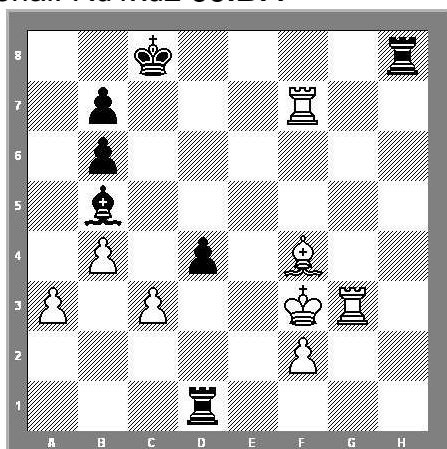
2010 U.S. Masters Championship
 Hendersonville, NC (3.1), 14.03.2010
 [Fritz 9 (30s)]

C28: Vienna Game: 2...Nf6 3 Bc4 Nc6
1.e4 e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.Bc4 Nc6 4.d3 Bb4
5.Bg5 h6 last book move **6.Bd2 Nd4**
 [6...Na5 7.Bb3=] **7.a3 Ba5** [7...Bc5
 8.Nf3±] **8.b4** White threatens to win
 material: b4xa5 [8.Nf3!?±] **8...Bb6=**
 Black's piece can't move: c8 **9.Na4 d5**
10.exd5 Nxd5

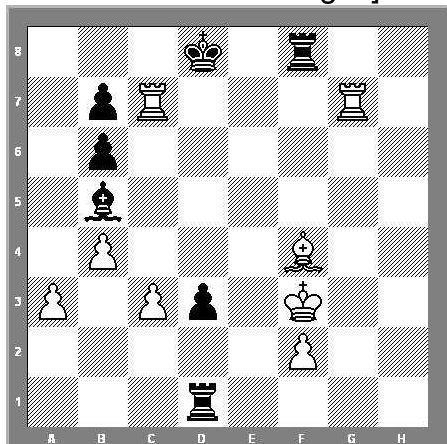


11.Nf3 [Δ11.c3!? must definitely be
 considered 11...Nc6 12.Nf3±] **11...Bg4♣**
12.c3 Nxf3+ 13.gxf3 Bh5 14.Rg1 c6
 Consolidates b5+d5 [14...Qh4 15.Qe2
 0-0-0 16.Bxd5 Rxd5 17.Nxb6+ axb6
 18.Qe4 Qxe4+ 19.dxe4♣] **15.Qe2** White
 pins: Qe2xe5 [Inferior is 15.Nxb6 Nxb6
 16.Rxg7 Qf6♣] **15...Qf6** Attacking the
 isolated pawn on f3 **16.Bxd5** [Less
 advisable is 16.Nxb6 Nxb6 (16...axb6?!
 17.Bxd5 cxd5 18.d4♣) 17.Rg3 Nxc4
 18.dxc4 0-0-0+] **16...cxd5 17.Nxb6**
axb6 18.d4 0-0-0 19.dxe5 [19.Qxe5??
 Rhe8 20.Rg3 Rxe5+ 21.dxe5 Qf5+–]
19...Qf5 20.Qe3 White threatens to win
 material: Qe3xb6 **20...Rhe8 21.f4**
 [21.Rxg7?? the pawn is something
 White will choke on 21...Rxe5 22.Rg3
 Rxe3+ 23.Bxe3 Bxf3+–] **21...g5 22.Rg3**

[22.Rxg5 hxc5] **22...gxf4 23.Qxf4 Rxe5+ 24.Kf1** White loses the right to castle **24...Be2+ 25.Kg1 Qh5** [25...Qxf4!? is an interesting idea 26.Bxf4 Re6=] **26.Qxh6± Rh8 27.Qxh5 Rexh5 28.Re1 Bb5 29.Re7** White threatens to win material: Re7xf7 [29.Rg2 Bd3 30.Re3 Bg6±] **29...Rxb2± 30.Rxf7** White has a new passed pawn: f2 [30.Bf4 Bc6 31.Rd3 Rh1+ 32.Kg2 R1h7±] **30...Rh1+= 31.Kg2 d4 32.Kf3** [Inferior is 32.cxd4 Bc6+ 33.Rgf3 R1h3±] **32...Rd1** Black threatens to win material: Rd1xd2 **33.Bf4**



33...d3? He broke from his leash [33...Re8 34.Rc7+ Kd8 35.cxd4 Bc6+ 36.Rxc6 bxc6 37.Rg6 Rd3+ 38.Kg2=] **34.Rc7+** [Δ34.c4!? Be8 35.Rc7+ Kd8 36.Ke3+-] **34...Kd8± 35.Rgg7** White has a mate threat [35.Rg6!? must be considered 35...Rh3+ 36.Kg2±] **35...Rf8**



36.Rcf7 [Δ36.a4!? must definitely be considered 36...Bc6+ 37.Rxc6 bxc6 38.Ke3±] **36...Bc6+± 37.Kg4 Rxf7 38.Rxf7 d2 39.Bxd2** [39.Kf5 Bd7+ 40.Rxd7+ Kxd7±] **39...Rxd2-+ 40.Rf4 b5 41.Kf5** [41.Rd4+ Bd7+ 42.Kf3 Ra2-+] **41...Rc2 42.Ke5 Rxc3 43.Kd6 Rxa3 44.Rf8+ Be8 45.f4** [45.Rf5 Rc3-+] **45...Ra6+ 46.Ke5 Ke7 47.Rh8 Re6+ 48.Kd5** [48.Kf5 a fruitless try to alter the course of the game 48...Bc6-+] **48...Bc6+ 49.Kc5 Rf6** [49...Re4!? keeps an even firmer grip 50.Rh2-+] **50.Rh4 Ke6 51.Kb6** [51.Kd4 does not win a prize 51...Kf5-+] **51...Kf5** [51...Kd5!? seems even better 52.Kc7-+] **52.Kc5 Re6 53.Rh5+** [53.Kb6 doesn't get the cat off the tree 53...Re4 54.Ka5 Rxf4-+] **53...Kxf4 54.Rh4+** [54.Kd4 cannot undo what has already been done 54...Bf3 55.Rh2 Rc6-+] **54...Ke3 55.Kb6 Re4 56.Rh3+ Kd4 57.Ka5 Re3 58.Rh4+ Kd5 59.Rh5+ Kd6 60.Kb6 Rc3 61.Rh6+ Kd5 62.Rh5+** [62.Rh4 does not solve anything 62...Rc4 63.Rh5+ Kd4-+] **62...Kc4 63.Rh4+ Kb3 64.Ka5 Rc1 65.Rh3+ Kc2 66.Rh2+ Kc3 67.Rh3+ Kd4 68.Rh5** [68.Rh4+ cannot change what is in store for ? 68...Kd5-+] **68...Rc3** [68...Ra1+!? and Black can already relax 69.Kb6-+] **69.Rh4+ Kd5 70.Rh5+ Kd6 71.Kb6 Ra3 72.Rh6+ Kd5 73.Rh5+** [73.Rh4 doesn't get the bull off the ice 73...Re3-+] **73...Kc4 74.Rh4+ Kb3 75.Kc5 Ka4** [75...Ka4 76.Kd4 Rb3-+] **0-1**

Rounds 1 through 4, 7-Day Schedule

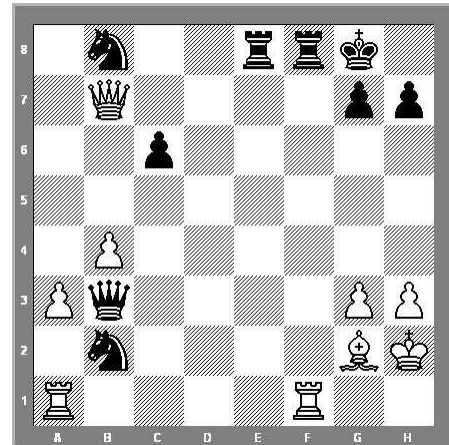
The 7-Day Schedule was less popular, although those that played in it appreciated the opportunity to play one round per day and utilize reentry options.

No.	Name	Rate	Pts	Rnd1	Rnd2	Rnd3	Rnd4
1	Pohl, Klaus A	2206	2.5	W8	D5	W6	L2
2	Dana, Maurice	2200	2.5	-H-	-H-	D5	W1
3	Williams, Justus D	2075	2.5	-H-	-H-	D7	W5
4	Simpson, Ronald	2302	2.0	-H-	-H-	-H-	-H-
5	Pupols, Viktors	2247	2.0	W6	D1	D2	L3
6	Harris, Neal D	2200	1.5	L5	W8	L1	-H-
7	Lyda, Nathaniel	1851	0.5	-U-	-U-	D3	-U-
8	Williams, Justus D	2075	0.0	L1	L6	-U-	-U-

Dana, Maurice (2200) - Pupols, Viktors (2247) [A07]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship
Hendersonville, NC (3.2), 17.03.2010
[Fritz 9 (30s)]

A07: Réti Opening: New York and Capablanca Systems 1.Nf3 d5 2.g3 Nf6 3.Bg2 c6 4.0-0 Bf5 5.d3 e6 6.Nh4 Bg4 7.h3 last book move 7...Bh5 8.Qe1 Be7 9.f4 Nfd7 10.Nf3 f5 11.e4 0-0 12.Kh2 Nc5 13.Nbd2 Nba6 14.a3 Secures b4 14...Qc7 15.b4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Na4 17.Nb3 dxe4 18.dxe4 fxe4 19.Qxe4 Bf6 20.Be3 Rae8 [Δ20...Bxa1!? should not be overlooked 21.Rxa1 Qf7=] 21.Bd4± e5 [21...Bxd4 22.Qxd4 Nb6 23.Bh5±] 22.fxe5 Bxe5 23.Bxe5 Qxe5 24.Qc4+ [24.Qxe5 Rxe5 25.Na5 Nc7±] 24...Qe6 25.Qd3 [25.Qxe6+ Rxe6 26.Bg4 Re7±] 25...Nb2± Black threatens to win material: Nb2xd3 26.Qd4 White threatens to win material: Qd4xb2 26...Qc4 Black threatens to win material: Qc4xc2 27.Qxa7 Sacrifices material [27.Qxb2?? White will lose if he goes for the knight 27...Rxf3 Eliminates the defender f3 28.Nd4 Rxf1-+] 27...Qxc2+ 28.Bg2 Qxb3 29.Qxb7 Nb8



30.a4?? White lets it slip away [Δ30.Rxf8+ Rxf8 31.Rf1±] 30...Nc4?? weakening the position [Δ30...Rxf1 31.Rxf1 Nd1±] 31.Rxf8+- Rxf8 32.Rf1 Rxf1 33.Bxf1 Qb2+ 34.Kh1 Ne5 35.Qxb8+ Kf7 36.Bc4+?? allows the opponent back into the game [36.Qc7+ Kf6 37.Qd8+ Kf7 38.Qg5+-] 36...Nxc4± 37.Qf4+ White forks: c4+f7 37...Ke7 38.Qxc4 Qa1+ Black forks: h1+a4 39.Kg2 Qxa4 40.Qc5+ Ke6 ½-½

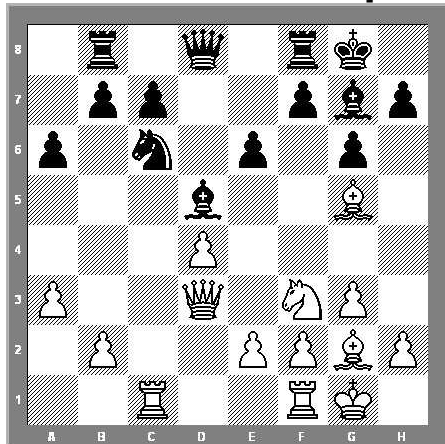
**Pohl, Klaus A (2206) -
Harris, Neal D (2200) [D77]**

2010 U.S. Masters Championship
Hendersonville, NC (3.2), 17.03.2010
[Fritz 9 (30s)]

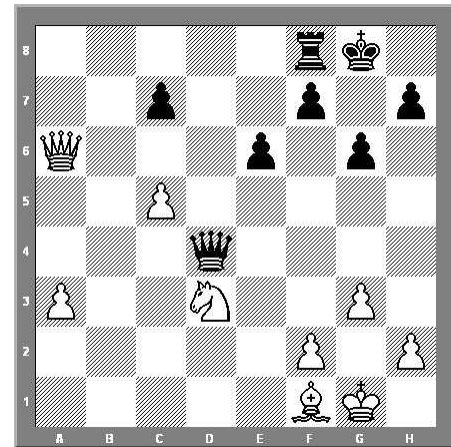
D77: Fianchetto Grünfeld: 6 0-0: Replies
other than 6...c6 **1.g3 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6**
3.Bg2 g6 4.0-0 Bg7 5.d4 0-0 6.c4 dxc4
7.Nc3 Nc6 last book move **8.Bf4 Nh5**

The pressure on d4 grows [8...Bf5
9.Nh4 Nxd4 10.Be5±] **9.Be3= a6** Covers
b5 [9...a5 10.Rc1=] **10.Qa4 Nf6**

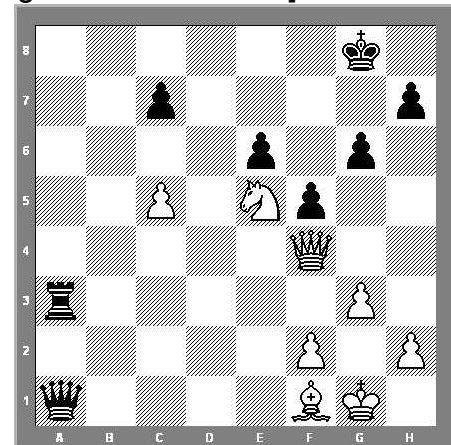
[10...Be6 11.Ng5 b5 12.Nxe6 fxe6
13.Qa3 Nxd4 14.Rad1±] **11.Qxc4 Be6**
12.Qd3 Nd5 13.Nxd5 [13.Qd2 Nxe3
14.fxe3 Na5=] **13...Bxd5=** [Weaker is
13...Qxd5 14.Ng5 Qd6 15.Nxe6 fxe6
16.Rfd1±] **14.a3** Controls b4 **14...Rb8**
15.Rac1 [15.Rad1 Qc8=] **15...e6**
[15...Bxf3 16.exf3 Qd6 17.d5=] **16.Bg5**



16...Bf6?? [Δ16...f6 the only rescuing
move 17.Be3 Qe7=] **17.Bxf6+- Qxf6**
18.e4 Rbd8 [18...Ba2 19.Ra1 Rbd8
20.Rxa2 Nxd4 21.Nxd4 Rxd4 22.Qe3+-]
19.exd5 Rxd5 20.Rxc6 [20.Qe3!?
seems even better 20...Rb5+-]
20...bxc6 21.Qxa6 [21.b4 might be the
shorter path 21...e5+-] **21...c5 22.dxc5**
[22.b4 cxb4 23.axb4 Rb8+-] **22...Qxb2**
23.Ne1 Rd1 [23...Rd2 24.Qa5+-]
24.Nd3 Rxf1+ [24...Qc2 25.Ne5 Qd2
26.Qb7 Rxf1+ 27.Bxf1+-] **25.Bxf1 Qd4**
[25...Qb8 26.Ne5 Qa8 27.Qd3+-]



26.Qb5 [Δ26.Qb7!? makes it even
easier for White 26...Qd7+-] **26...Ra8**
[26...e5 27.c6 e4 28.Qb4+-] **27.Qb4**
[27.Nb4 keeps an even firmer grip
27...Kg7+-] **27...Qa1** [27...Qxb4
28.axb4 (28.Nxb4?! Rxa3 29.Na6 Ra5±)
28...Ra3 29.Ne5+-] **28.Qf4 Rxa3**
[28...Rd8 29.Ne5 f5 30.Kg2 Qxa3
31.Qg5 Qa8+ 32.Kh3+-] **29.Ne5 f5**



30.Kg2 [Δ30.Nd7 seems even better
30...Ra7+-] **30...Ra5??** the pressure is
too much, Black crumbles
[Δ30...Qb1+-] **31.Nd7 Ra2** [31...Ra8
does not win a prize 32.Qxc7 Qd4
33.Be2+-] **32.Bc4** [Δ32.Qxc7!? and
White can already relax 32...Ra8+-]
32...Ra7 [32...Ra8 there is nothing
better in the position 33.Qxc7 Kh8+-]
33.Qe3 [33.Qe3 Ra6 34.Bxe6+ Kh8
35.Bd5+-] **1-0**

Round 5

Ronald Burnett had planned to start in round 5 but was delayed in traffic so forfeited due to non-appearance. Bereolas, Jones, and Pohl were tied at the top going into the round. After a bye for Bereolas and a win over Pohl, Jones moved into clear first by himself.

Rd	Bd	Scr	White	Scr	Black
05	1.	1.0	Jones, Craig W (2235)	0.0	Pohl, Klaus A (2206)
05	2.	1.0	Williams, Justus D (2075)	0.0	Mabe, Chris J (2281)
05	3.	0.0	Dana, Maurice (2200)	1.0	Christensen, Wayne (2028)
05	4.	1.0F	Pupols, Viktors (2247)	0.0F	Burnett, Ronald (2408)
05	5.	1.0	Simpson, Ronald (2302)	0.0	Xin, Samuel L (2001)
05	6.	0.0	Myers, Dominique (2052)	1.0	Lauria, Michael D (2001)
05		0.5	Bereolos, Peter (2325)	bye	requested
05		0.5	Harris, Neal D (2200)	bye	requested

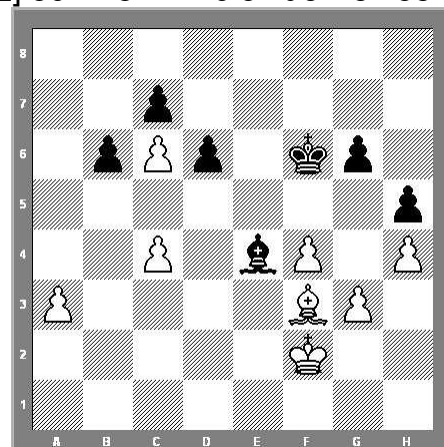
Jones, Craig (2235) -

Pohl, Klaus A (2206) [A27]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship
Hendersonville, NC (5), 19.03.2010
[Fritz 9 (30s)]

A27: English Opening: Three Knights Variation **1.Nf3 g6 2.c4 Bg7 3.Nc3 e5 4.d4 exd4 5.Nxd4 Nc6 6.Nxc6 bxc6 7.e4 d6** last book move **8.Be3 Nf6 9.Be2** Black has a cramped position **9...0-0 10.0-0** White castles and improves king safety **10...Re8 11.Rc1 Bd7 12.Qd3 Qe7 13.f3** Covers g4 **13...Be6 14.b4** [14.b3 Nd7±] **14...Nd7= 15.f4 f5 16.Bf3** White has an active position **16...Rab8** [16...Qf7 17.exf5 Bxc4 18.Qd2 Bxf1 19.Kxf1=] **17.b5** White gets more space **17...Nb6** [17...fxe4!? should be investigated more closely 18.Bxe4 Nf6 19.Bxa7 Nxe4 20.Qxe4 Ra8=] **18.Bxb6±** [18.bxc6? is a blank shot 18...Bxc4 19.Qc2 Bxf1 20.Rxf1 fxe4 21.Nxe4 d5-+] **18...axb6 19.bxc6 Ra8 20.Rfe1 Qf7** [20...Qh4 21.Nb5 fxe4 22.Bxe4±] **21.exf5± Bxf5 22.Qd2 Bxc3 23.Qxc3 Qg7 24.Bd5+ Kf8 25.Qd2 Qf6 26.g3 Rxe1+ 27.Rxe1** [27.Qxe1?! Rxa2 28.Qc3 Qxc3 29.Rxc3

Bh3=] **27...Re8 28.Rxe8+ Kxe8 29.Kg2 Kf8 30.h3 h5 31.Qe2 Bc8 32.h4** [32.Qc2 Bf5 33.Qd2 Qa1±] **32...Bf5± 33.Be4 Qe6** Black threatens to win material: Qe6xe4 [33...Bxe4+ 34.Qxe4 Qb2+ 35.Kf3 Qc3+ 36.Kf2 Qb2+ 37.Qe2=] **34.Bd3** [34.Bf3 Qf6±] **34...Ke7** [34...Kf7 35.Qxe6+ Kxe6 36.Be2±] **35.Kf2± Qxe2+** [35...Bxd3!? 36.Qxd3 Qf6±] **36.Bxe2± Kf6 37.a3 Be4 38.Bf3**



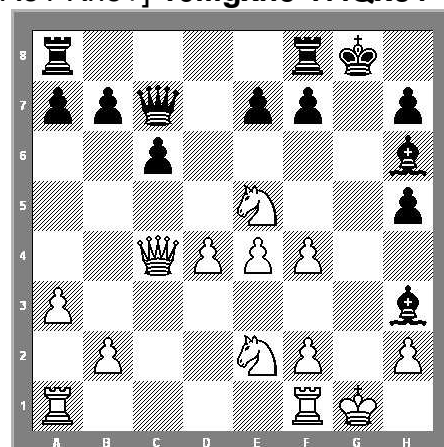
38...Kf5?? further deteriorates the position [38...Bd3 39.Bd5±] **39.Ke3** [△39.Bxe4+ secures the point 39...Kxe4 40.a4+-] **39...Bc2 40.Kd4 Bb1 41.Ke3** [41.Bd5 Bc2±] **41...Bc2 42.Be2 Bb1**

43.Bd1 Be4? [Δ43...Kf6±] **44.g4+-**
hxcg4 45.Bxcg4+! and the rest is history
45...Kxcg4 A deflection **46.Kxe4 Kxh4**
47.Kd5 Kg4 48.Ke6 Kxf4 49.Kd7 g5
50.Kxc7 g4 51.Kxd6 g3 52.c7 g2
53.c8Q g1Q 54.Qc6 Qe3 [Δ54...Qg3
 55.Kc7 Qxa3 56.Qxb6 Qe7+ 57.Kb8
 Qf8+ 58.Kb7 Ke4+-] **55.a4 Qe5+**
56.Kd7 Qa5 57.Kc8 Ke3 [57...Kg4+-]
58.Kb7 Kf4 59.Qd6+ [Δ59.Qb5!? might
 be the shorter path 59...Qd2 60.Qxb6
 Qg2+ 61.Qc6 Qb2+ 62.Ka6 Qe2+-]
59...Kg4 60.Qd7+ Kf4 [60...Kh4 doesn't
 get the bull off the ice 61.Qb5 Qd2
 62.Kxb6 Qd8+ 63.Kb7 Qe7+ 64.Ka6
 Qe6+ 65.Ka5+-] **61.Qb5 Qc3** [61...Qe1
 doesn't improve anything 62.Kxb6 Qc3
 63.c5+-] **62.Kxb6** [62.Qxb6 seems
 even better 62...Qf3+ 63.Kb8 Kg4+-]
62...Qf6+ [62...Qh8 is no salvation
 63.Qc6+-] **63.Qc6 Qb2+ 64.Ka6 Qb8**
 [64...Qc3 cannot undo what has already
 been done 65.a5+-] **65.a5 Qb4**
 [65...Qg8 a fruitless try to alter the
 course of the game 66.Qc7+ Kf3 67.c5
 Qa8+ 68.Kb6+-] **66.Qc7+ Kf5 67.c5**
Qc4+ 68.Ka7 [Δ68.Kb7 makes it even
 easier for White 68...Qb3+ 69.Ka8 Qg8+
 70.Ka7+-] **68...Qb5** [68...Qd4+- no
 good, but what else?] **69.a6 Kg5 70.c6**
Qc5+ [70...Kh6 does not save the day
 71.Qb6 Qd3 72.c7+ Qg6 73.c8Q Qxb6+
 74.Kxb6 Kg6 75.Qg4+ Kf7 76.Qf5+ Kg7
 77.a7 Kh6 78.a8Q Kg7 79.Qaf8#]
71.Qb6+- Qd5 72.c7 [72.c7 Kh5
 73.c8Q Qf7+ 74.Qcb7 Qxb7+ 75.axb7
 Kg4 76.Qf6 Kh5 77.b8Q Kg4 78.Qg8+
 Kh3 79.Qfh8#] **1-0**

Williams, Justus D (2075) – **Mabe, Chris J (2281) [D78]**

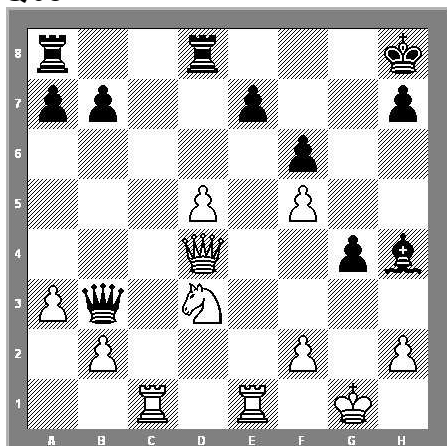
2010 U.S. Masters Championship
 Hendersonville, NC (5), 19.03.2010
[Fritz 9 (30s)]

D78: Fianchetto Grünfeld: 6 0-0 c6
1.Nf3 d5 2.c4 c6 3.g3 Nf6 4.Bg2 g6
5.d4 Bg7 6.0-0 0-0 7.Nc3 last book
 move **7...Nbd7 8.a3** [Δ8.cxd5!? looks
 like a viable alternative 8...Nxd5 9.Nxd5
 cxd5 10.Qb3±] **8...dxc4** 9.Bf4 Black's
 piece can't move: c8 **9...Nd5 10.e4?**
 [Δ10.Nxd5!? is noteworthy 10...cxd5
 11.b3±] **10...Nxf4+- 11.gxf4 Qc7**
12.Qc1 Nf6 [12...Nb6 13.Re1±] **13.Ne5**
Nh5 14.Ne2 Bh6 15.Bf3 Bh3 [15...b5
 16.Bxh5 gxh5 17.Kh1±] **16.Bxh5**
 [16.Re1 Kh8±] **16...gxh5 17.Qxc4**

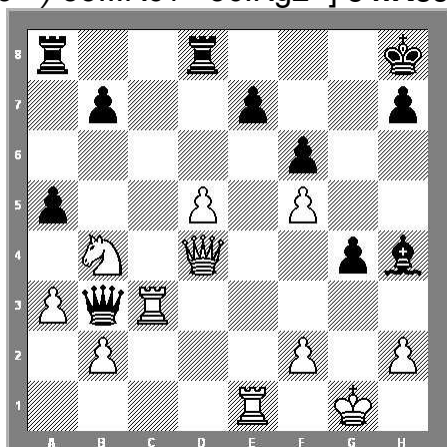


17...Qd6 [Δ17...Bxf1 18.Rxf1 e6±]
18.Rfd1= White prepares d5 **18...Be6**
19.d5 [19.Qc3!? is worth looking at
 19...f5 20.Kh1±] **19...cxd5** 20.exd5
Bg4 21.Nxc4 hxcg4 22.f5 Kh8 23.Ng3
Bf4 [23...Bg7 24.Rab1±] **24.Re1 Be5**
25.Qe2 Bf6 26.Rad1 Qb6 [26...Rfe8!?=
 should be examined more closely]
27.Nh5± Bh4 [27...Qxb2 28.Nxf6 Qxf6
 29.Qxe7 Qxe7 30.Rxe7±] **28.Qe5± f6**
 [28...Bf6!? 29.Nxf6 exf6±] **29.Qd4+-**
Qc7 30.Nf4 [30.Qxc4?? taking the pawn
 will bring White grief 30...Rg8 31.Qxcg8+
 Rxcg8+ 32.Ng3 Rg5+] **30...Qc2 31.Nd3**
 [31.Ng2!? Bg5 32.Rxe7 Qxf5]

33.Rxb7+--] **31...Rfd8 32.Rc1**
 [32.Qxg4?? the pawn is something
 White will choke on 32...Rg8 33.Qg2
 Rxc2+ 34.Kxc2 Rg8+ 35.Kf3 Rg5+]
32...Qb3?

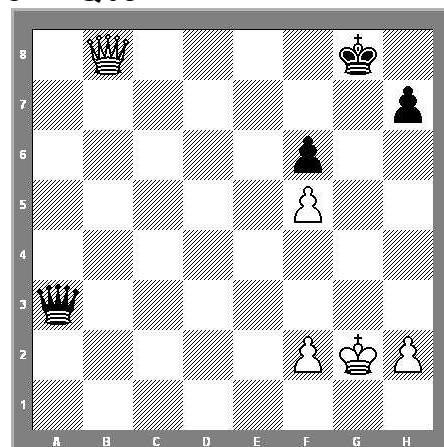


[32...Qd2 33.Qe4 Rac8±] **33.Nb4??**
 instead of simply winning the game
 [33.Rxe7 Bg5 34.Qxg4 Qxd5
 35.Rcc7+--] **33...a5** [33...Rac8 34.Rxc8
 (34.Qxg4 White again will not be able to
 digest the pawn 34...Rxc1 35.Rxc1 Rg8
 36.Qxg8+ Kxg8+) 34...Rxc8 35.Re3
 (35.Qxg4 as before the pawn must
 remain untouched 35...Rg8 36.Qxg8+
 Kxg8+) 35...Rc1+ 36.Kg2=] **34.Rc3**



[34.Rxe7 Rac8 35.Rxc8 Rxc8 36.Nd3
 (36.Qxg4?? the pawn of course cannot
 be captured 36...Rg8 37.Qxg8+ Kxg8
 38.Re8+ Kf7+--)] 36...Qd1+ 37.Re1+--]
34...Qa4?? [Δ34...Qxb2 would bring

relief 35.Nc2 Re8=] **35.Rxe7+-- Re8**
36.Rxe8+ [Δ36.Rxb7 keeps an even
 firmer grip 36...Rab8 37.Ra7+--]
36...Rxe8 37.Nc2 [37.Qxg4?? that pawn
 is deadly bait and will cause White
 grave problems 37...Rg8 38.Qxg8+
 Kxg8+--] **37...Qd7 38.Ne3** [38.Qxg4??
 White will choke on that pawn 38...Rg8
 39.Qxg8+ Kxg8+--] **38...Bg5 39.b4**
 [39.Qxg4?? the pawn contains a lethal
 dose of poison 39...Bxe3 40.Qh4 Rg8+
 41.Kf1 Bg5+--] **39...Re5??** the position
 was bad, and this mistake simply
 hastens the end [39...axb4 40.axb4 h5
 41.d6+--] **40.bxa5** [Δ40.d6 it becomes
 clear that White will call all the shots
 40...Bxe3 41.Rxe3+--] **40...Bxe3±**
41.Rxe3 Qxd5 42.Qxg4 Qxa5 43.Rxe5
Qxe5 44.Qb4 Kg8 45.Qxb7 [45.Qb3+
 Kh8 46.Qxb7 Qxf5 47.Qb8+ Kg7
 48.Qg3+ Kf8+--] **45...Qa1+ 46.Kg2**
Qxa3 47.Qb8+

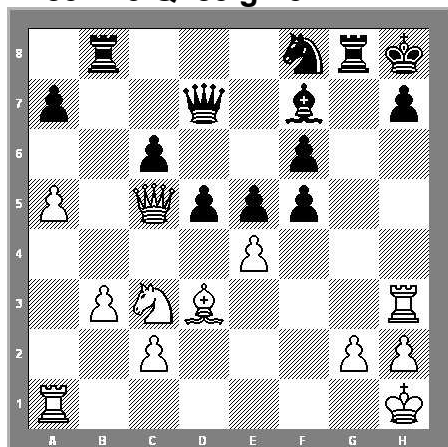


47...Kf7? [Δ47...Qf8 48.Qb3+ Kh8±]
48.Qh8+-- h6? [48...Qb4 49.Qxh7+ Kf8
 50.Qh6+ Ke8 51.Qg6+ Kd7 52.Qf7+
 Kc8+--] **49.Qh7+ Ke8 50.Qg8+ Qf8**
 [50...Kd7 a last effort to resist the
 inevitable 51.Qe6+ Kc7 52.Qxf6 Qa4
 53.Qg7+ Kc8+--] **51.Qxf8+ Kxf8 52.Kg3**
Ke7 53.Kg4 Kf7 [53...Kd6+--
 desperation] **54.Kh5 Kg7 55.h4 Kh7**
56.Kg4 Kg7 57.Kf4 Kf7 58.Ke4 Ke7
59.Kd5 Kd7 60.h5 1-0

**Dana, Maurice (2200) –
Christensen, Wayne (2028)
[B33]**

2010 U.S. Masters Championship
Hendersonville, NC (5), 19.03.2010
[Fritz 9 (30s)]

B33: Sicilian: Pelikan and Sveshnikov
Variations **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4
4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e5 6.Nxc6 bxc6
7.Bd3** last book move **7...Be7 8.0-0 0-0
9.a4 d5 10.a5 Be6 11.Kh1 Rb8 12.Qe2
Nd7** [12...d4!? 13.Nd1 Qc7+] **13.f4 f6
14.f5** [14.exd5 cxd5 15.Be3 Rxb2
16.Bxa7 Rb4+] **14...Bf7= 15.Qg4 Kh8
16.Rf3 Rg8 17.Rh3 Nf8 18.Qh4** Black
has a cramped position **18...Rb4 19.Qf2**
White threatens to win material: Qf2xa7
19...Qd7 20.b3 g6 Black has a cramped
position. Black's piece can't move: f8
[20...Rb8 21.Na4+] **21.Ba3** White
threatens to win material: Ba3xb4
21...Rb8 22.Bc5?? allows the opponent
back into the game [22.fxc6 Nxc6
23.exd5 Bxa3 24.Qxf6+ Rg7 25.Rxa3
Bxd5 26.Nxd5 Qxd5 27.Qf1=]
22...Bxc5+ 23.Qxc5 gxf5



[23...d4 24.fxc6 Be6+] **24.exd5??** there
were better ways to keep up the
pressure [24.exf5 would keep White
alive 24...Rg5 25.Rh6=] **24...Bxd5-+
25.Nxd5 cxd5** [Worse is 25...Qxd5

26.Qf2 Qd4 27.Qxd4 exd4 28.Bxf5±]
26.Rd1 [26.Qf2!? Rg5 27.Rh6-+]
**26...Ne6+ 27.Qf2 Nf4 28.Rg3 Rxc3
29.hxc3 Nxd3 30.Rxd3 Rg8 31.Qc5**
[31.c3 Rc8-+] **31...d4 32.Qb4** [32.c3
Rc8 33.Qa3 Qf7 34.cxd4 e4-+] **32...Qc7
33.Qd2 Rc8 34.Qh6 Qg7 35.Qd2 Qg5
36.Qb4 Qc1+ 37.Kh2 Qxc2**
[237...Qh6+!? and Black can already
relax 38.Kg1-+] **38.Qe7 Qc6**
[38...Qxd3?! 39.Qxf6+ Kg8 40.Qe6+
Kg7 41.Qe7+ Kg6 42.Qe6+ Kg5
43.Qe7+ Kh5 44.Qxh7+ Kg5 45.Qg7+
Kh5 46.Qh7+ Kg5 47.Qg7+ Kh5
48.Qh7+=] **39.Qxa7?** [39.Rf3 Re8
40.Qxa7 Qe6-+] **39...Ra8** [239...Qe8!?
and Black can already relax 40.Qb6 Rc6
41.Qb4-+] **40.Qf7 Qd6 41.b4??** an
oversight. But White was lost anyway.
[41.Rd2 Rf8 42.Qc4-+] **41...e4 42.Rb3**
[42.Rd1 praying for a miracle 42...e3
43.Qh5-+] **42...d3 43.Rb1 e3** [243...Rg8
makes it even easier for Black 44.Kh1
e3-+] **44.b5** [44.Re1 the only chance to
get some counterplay 44...e2 45.Qh5-+]
44...d2 45.Qh5 Qe5 [45...Rg8 46.Kh1
Qxc3 47.Qe2 f4 48.b6 f3 49.Qxf3 Qxf3
50.gxf3 e2 51.a6 e1Q+ 52.Rxe1
dxe1Q+ 53.Kh2 Qh4#] **46.Qe2 Rg8
47.b6 Qxc3+ 48.Kg1 f4 49.Rf1** [49.Kf1
cannot change what is in store for ?
49...Qh2 50.Qg4 Rxc4 51.Ke2 Qxc2+
52.Kd3 Qd5+ 53.Kc2 Qc5+ 54.Kd3 f3
55.a6 Qc4+ 56.Kxe3 Qe2#] **49...f3!**
doomsday **50.Rxf3** Deflection from d1.
[50.Qxf3 Qxf3] **50...d1Q+!** Theme:
Double Attack **51.Qxd1** Theme:
Deflection from g2 [51.Rf1 a fruitless try
to alter the course of the game
51...Qxe2 52.Rf2 Qxc2+ 53.Rxc2
Qxc2#] **51...Qxc2#** A classical mating
theme. . . . **0-1**

Round 6

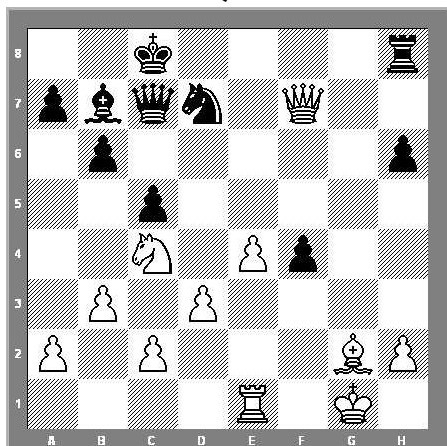
Jones was alone at the top but Williams, Bereolos, and Christensen were only a half point back. Pupols – Simpson was the longest game of the tournament.

Rd	Bd	Scr	White	Scr	Black
06	1.	1.0	Jones, Craig W (2235)	0.0	Williams, Justus D (2075)
06	2.	0.0	Christensen, Wayne (2028)	1.0	Bereolos, Peter (2325)
06	3.	1.0	Pupols, Viktors (2247)	0.0	Simpson, Ronald (2302)
06	4.	1.0	Pohl, Klaus A (2206)	0.0	Mabe, Chris J (2281)
06	5.	1.0	Burnett, Ronald (2408)	0.0	Dana, Maurice (2200)
06	6.	1.0	Xin, Samuel L (2001)	0.0	Myers, Dominique (2052)
06	7.	1.0	Lauria, Michael D (2001)	0.0	Oody, Kyle J (1885)

Jones, Craig (2235) - Williams, Justus D (2075) [A04]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship
Hendersonville, NC (6), 20.03.2010
[Fritz 9 (30s)]

A04: Unusual lines after 1 Nf3 and King's Indian Attack **1.Nf3 c5 2.b3 e6 3.Bb2 b6 4.g3 Bb7 5.Bg2** last book move **5...d6 6.0-0 Nf6 7.d3 Nbd7 8.Nbd2 Qc7 9.e4 Be7 10.Qe2 h6 11.Rae1 e5 12.Nh4 g6 13.f4 0-0-0 14.fxe5 dxe5 15.Rf2** [15.Nc4 b5 16.Ne3 h5±] **15...Nh5 16.Nf5 Bg5 17.Nc4** [17.Ne3 Bxe3 18.Qxe3 f6±] **17...gxf5± 18.Qxh5 f4** [18...b5!? 19.Na3 Qa5±] **19.gxf4** [19.Nxe5 Nxe5 20.gxf4 f6 21.fxe5 fxe5+–] **19...Bxf4± 20.Rxf4 exf4 21.Bxh8 Rxh8 22.Qxf7**



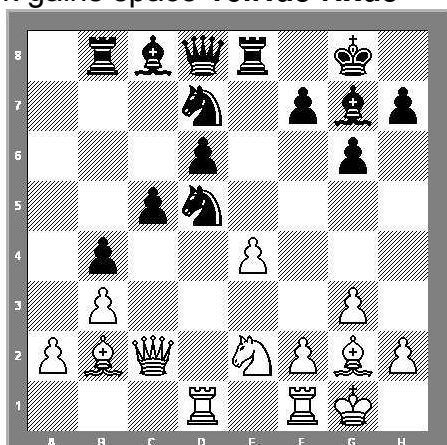
22...Rf8? [Δ22...b5 23.Qg7 Rd8±] **23.Qe7+– Bc6 24.Bh3** [24.Nd6+ keeps an even firmer grip 24...Kb8+–] **24...Rg8+** [24...Qd8 25.Qxd8+ Kxd8 26.a4+–] **25.Kf2 b5??** but even a better move would not have saved the game [25...Qd8 26.Qxd8+ Kxd8+–] **26.Ne5** [26.Rg1 seems even better 26...Rd8 27.Ne5 Kb7+–] **26...c4** [26...b4 is not the saving move 27.Qe6 Rg7 28.Nxc6+–] **27.Qe6 Qb6+** [27...Rg7 doesn't get the bull off the ice 28.Nxc6 f3 29.e5+–] **28.Kf3 Kc7** [28...Rg7 doesn't change anything anymore 29.Qxc6+ Qxc6 30.Nxc6+–] **29.Nxd7 Bxd7 30.Qxd7+ Kb8 31.bxc4 bxc4** [31...a6 doesn't improve anything 32.Qe6 Qxe6 33.Bxe6+–] **32.Qe6** [32.Qe6 Rd8 33.Qxc4+–; Δ32.dxc4 might be the shorter path 32...a6 33.c5 Qb2+–] **1-0**

Christensen, Wayne (2028) – Bereolos, Peter (2325) [E68]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship
Hendersonville, NC (6), 20.03.2010
[Fritz 9 (30s)]

E68: King's Indian: Fianchetto: **6...Nbd7 7 0-0 e5 8 e4 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.g3 Bg7 4.Bg2 0-0 5.Nf3 d6 6.0-0 Nbd7**

7.Nc3 e5 8.e4 exd4 9.Nxd4 Re8 10.b3 a6 last book move 11.Bb2 Rb8 12.Qc2 Black has a cramped position. Black's piece can't move: c8 12...c5 Black threatens to win material: c5xd4 13.Nde2 b5 14.cxb5 [14.Rad1 bxc4 15.Rxd6 Qa5=] 14...axb5 15.Rad1 b4 Black gains space 16.Nd5 Nxd5

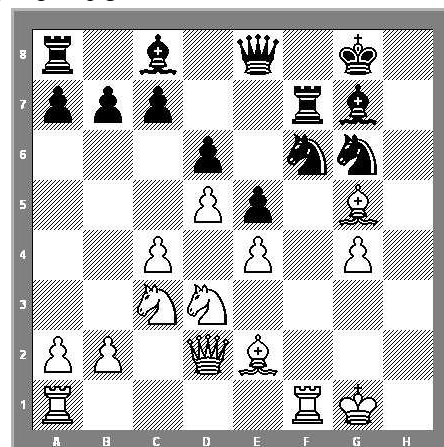


17.Rxd5? [17.Bxg7 is the best option White has 17...Kxg7 18.Rxd5+ (≤18.exd5 Ne5+)] 17...Bxb2+ 18.Qxb2 Nf6 19.Rd2 [19.Rd3 Nxe4 20.Rfd1 Rb6+] 19...Nxe4 20.Bxe4 Rxe4 21.Nf4 Bb7 22.f3 [22.Nd5 Re5 23.Rfd1 Ra8+] 22...Re3 23.Nd5 Bxd5 24.Rxd5 Qe7 25.Rf2 Re8 26.Qd2 Re1+ 27.Kg2 Re2 28.Qd3?? the pressure is too much, White crumbles [28.Qd1+] 28...Rxf2+ 29.Kxf2 Qe1+ 30.Kg2 Re2+ 31.Kh3 Qf1+ [131...Qf2!? makes it even easier for Black 32.Kg4 Qxh2 33.Kf4 Qh6+ 34.Kg4+] 32.Kg4 Kg7 33.Rxd6 f5+ 34.Kh4 [34.Qxf5 hardly improves anything 34...gxf5+ 35.Kg5 Qxf3 36.Rd7+ Kg8 37.Rd8+ Kf7 38.Rd7+ Ke6 39.Re7+ Kxe7 40.h3 Qxg3+ 41.Kh5 Qg6+ 42.Kh4 Re4#] 34...Rxb2+ 35.Kg5 Qc1+ [35...Qc1+ 36.Qd2 Rxd2 37.Rxg6+ hxg6 38.f4 Qd1 39.a3 Qh5#] 0-1

Pupols, Viktors (2247) – Simpson, Ronald (2302) [E98]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship
Hendersonville, NC (6), 20.03.2010
[Fritz 9 (30s)]

E98: King's Indian: Classical Main Line:
9 Ne1 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Nf3 0-0 6.Be2 e5 7.0-0 Nc6 8.d5 Ne7 9.Ne1 Ne8 10.f3 f5 11.g4 last book move 11...Qd7 12.Nd3 Nf6 [12...f4 13.Qb3=] 13.h3 Black's piece can't move: c8 [13.exf5 gxf5 14.g5 Ne8+] 13...Rf7 14.Be3 fxe4 [14...h5!?=] 15.fxe4 h5 [15...h6 16.c5+] 16.Nf2+ hxe4 17.hxe4 g5 18.Bxg5 Ng6 19.Qd2 Qe8 20.Nd3



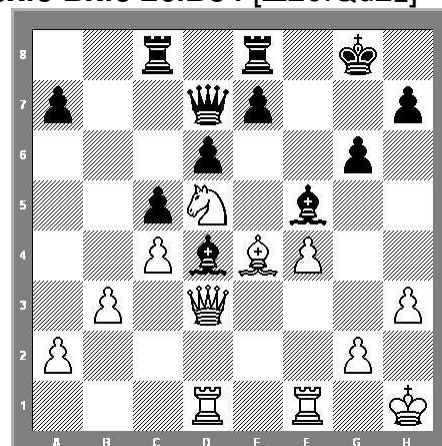
20...Bxg4? [20...Bd7 21.c5+] 21.Bxg4 [21.Rxf6!? Bxf6 22.Bxg4+] 21...Nxxg4+ 22.Qg2 Nf6 23.Rf5 [23.Rf2 Nh7+] 23...Qe7 24.Raf1 Raf8 25.R1f2 Qe8 26.Qf1 Black has a cramped position 26...Nh5 27.Rxf7 Rxf7 28.Rxf7 Qxf7 29.Qxf7+ Kxf7 30.Nb5 Bf6 31.Be3 Ng3 32.Nf2 Bd8 33.Nxa7 Nh4 34.Nb5 Ke8 35.Nc3 Kd7 [35...Nh5 36.Ng4+] 36.Nfd1 [36.Nd3 Nh5+] 36...Ng6 37.Kf2 Nh5 38.Kf3 Nhf4 39.Kg4 Ng2 40.Bf2 N2f4 41.Kf3 Nh4+ 42.Kg4 [42.Bxh4 Bxh4 43.a3 Nd3+] 42...Nhg6 43.b3 Be7 [43...Nd3 44.Ne2+] 44.Be3 Bd8 45.Nf2 Be7 [45...c6 46.b4+] 46.Nh3 [46.a4 c5+] 46...Nxxh3 [46...Nd3 47.a4+] 47.Kxxh3+- Bh4 48.Kg4 Be1 49.Ne2 Ne7 50.Nc1

c6 51.Nd3 Ba5 [51...Bc3 52.Bg5±]
52.Bg5 [52.b4 Bd8+-] **52...cxd5**
53.exd5 Bb6 54.Bxe7 Kxe7 55.Kf5
Bd4 56.Ke4 b6 57.Nb4 Kd7 58.Nc2 Bf2
59.Ne3 Be1 60.Ng4 Bc3 61.Kf5 Ke7
62.Nf2 Bd2 63.Ne4 Be3? [63...Bb4
 64.a4+-] **64.Kg4** [64.b4 makes it even
 easier for White 64...Kd7 65.a4 Bg1+-]
64...Bd4 [64...Bc1 65.Kf3+-] **65.Kf3**
 [65.a4 might be the shorter path
 65...Kd7 66.b4 Bb2+-] **65...Bg1?! puts**
 up no fight [65...Bb2+-] **66.Ke2 Kd7**
67.Kd3 Kc7 [67...Bd4 doesn't do any
 good 68.b4+-] **68.b4 Bd4 69.Kc2**
 [△69.a4!? keeps an even firmer grip
 69...Bb2 70.a5 bxa5 71.bxa5 Bc1+-]
69...Bg1 70.Kb3 Bd4? [70...Be3
 71.a4+-] **71.Ka4 Be3** [71...Bb2 72.Kb5
 Ba3 73.Nf6+-] **72.Kb5 Bd4** [72...Bh6
 what else? 73.a4 Bf8+-] **73.a4 Bg1**
 [73...Kd7 is not much help 74.a5 bxa5
 75.Kxa5+-] **74.a5 bxa5 75.Kxa5 Bd4**
 [75...Be3 76.Kb5 Bc1+-] **76.Kb5 Kd7**
77.c5 dxc5 [77...Be3 78.Nxd6 e4
 79.Nxe4 Bf4+-] **78.bxc5 Bb2 79.c6+**
Kc8 80.d6 Bd4 81.Kc4 [81.d7+ Kd8
 82.Ng5 Ke7 83.Nf7 Kxf7 84.c7 e4
 85.d8Q Bf6 86.Qd7+ Kg6 87.Qg4+ Kh7
 88.Qh5+ Kg7 89.c8Q Bd8 90.Qxd8 e3
 91.Qdh8#] **81...Bb2 82.Kd5** [82.d7+
 Kd8 83.Nc5 Bc1 84.Nb7+ Ke7 85.d8Q+
 Kf7 86.c7 e4 87.Nd6+ Kg7 88.Ne8+ Kh7
 89.Qd7+ Kg6 90.Qg7+ Kf5 91.c8Q+ Kf4
 92.Qcg4+ Ke3 93.Qd4#] **82...Ba1**
83.Ng5 [83.Ng5 Bd4 84.d7+ Kc7
 85.Ne6+ Kb6 86.d8Q+ Kb5 87.Nxd4+
 Kb4 88.Qf8+ Kc3 89.Qf3+ Kd2 90.Qe2+
 Kc3 91.Qe3+ Kb4 92.Qb3+ Ka5
 93.Qb5#] **1-0**

Pohl, Klaus A (2206) - **Mabe, Chris J (2281) [B35]**

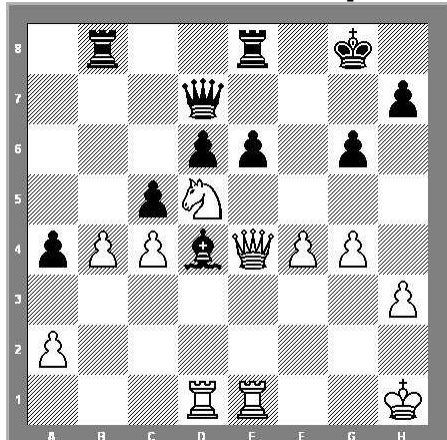
2010 U.S. Masters Championship
 Hendersonville, NC (6), 20.03.2010
[Fritz 9 (30s)]

B20: Sicilian: Unusual White 2nd moves
1.e4 c5 2.Bc4 Nc6 3.Nf3 g6 4.0-0 d6
5.d4 cxd4 6.Nxd4 Bg7 7.Be3 Nf6
8.Nc3 last book move **8...Ng4 9.Nxc6**
bxc6 10.Bf4 0-0 11.h3 Ne5 12.Be2 Be6
13.Qd2 Re8 14.b3 Black has a cramped
 position **14...Nd7 15.Be3** White has an
 active position **15...Qa5** Black threatens
 to win material: **Qa5xc3 16.Bd4 Ne5**
17.Rad1 c5 18.Bxe5 Bxe5 19.Nd5 Qd8
 [19...Qxd2 20.Rxd2 Bxd5 21.exd5=]
20.Kh1 Bg7 21.f4 Qd7 22.Bf3 [22.a4
 Rf8±] **22...Rac8 23.c4 f5 24.Qd3 Bd4**
25.exf5 Bxf5 26.Be4 [△26.Qd2±]

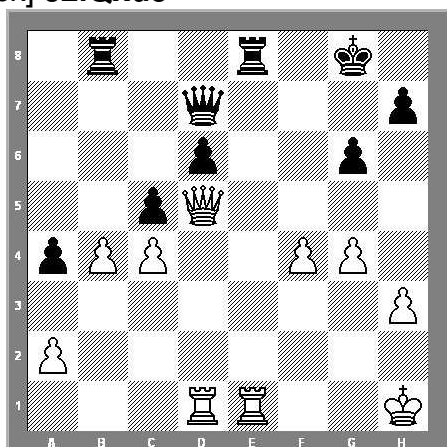


26...a5? [△26...Kh8!?= is an interesting
 alternative] **27.g4** [△27.Nb6!? Bxe4
 28.Qxe4+- (28.Nxd7? looks interesting,
 but 28...Bxd3 29.Rxd3 Rc6-+)]
27...Bxe4+± 28.Qxe4 Rb8? [28...Kh8
 29.Rde1 Rcd8 30.f5 (30.Nxe7 is clearly
 weaker 30...Bf6+) 30...gxf5 31.gxf5±]
29.Rfe1 [△29.Rxd4!? cxd4 30.f5+-
 (30.Qxd4?! Rf8±)] **29...a4 30.b4**
 [30.Nxe7+?! Kf8 31.Rxd4 cxd4 32.Qxd4
 Qb7+ 33.Kh2 Rxe7 34.Qh8+ Kf7
 35.Qxh7+ Kf8 36.Rxe7 Qxe7 37.Qh8+
 Kf7 38.Qxb8 Qe2+ 39.Kg3 Qe3+ 40.Kg2

Qe2+ 41.Kg1 Qe1+ 42.Kh2 Qe2+
43.Kh1 Qe4+ 44.Kh2 Qe2+=] 30...e6



[30...Kh8 31.Qe6 Qxe6 32.Rxe6±]
31.Qxd4!+- Annihilates a defender: d4
31...exd5 [31...cxd4 32.Nf6+ A double
attack] **32.Qxd5+**

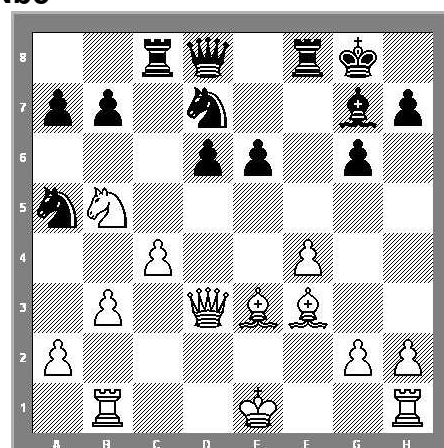


Kg7?? terrible, but the game is lost in
any case [32...Qf7 33.Qxf7+ Kxf7
34.Rxe8 Rxe8+-] **33.bxc5 Rb2**
[33...Rxe1+ is still a small chance
34.Rxe1 Rd8+-] **34.cxd6** [34.cxd6 Rbe2
35.Rxe2 Rxe2 36.c5+-; 34.Qd4+!? and
White can already relax 34...Kf7
35.Qxb2 Qc6+ 36.Kh2 a3+-] **1-0**

Burnett, Ronald (2408) - Dana, Maurice (2200) [E76]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship
Hendersonville, NC (6), 20.03.2010
[Fritz 9 (30s)]

E76: King's Indian: Four Pawns Attack:
Lines specific to 6 Nf3 move-order **1.c4**
g6 2.Nc3 Bg7 3.e4 d6 4.d4 Nf6 5.f4 0-0
6.Nf3 Bg4 7.Be2 Nc6 8.d5 Bxf3 9.Bxf3
Na5 last book move **10.Qd3 c6** Secures
b5 **11.Rb1 cxd5 12.exd5** Black has a
cramped position. Black's piece can't
move: a5 **12...Rc8** [12...Nd7 13.b3±]
13.b3± Nd7 14.Be3 e5 15.dxe6 fxe6
16.Nb5



16...Nc5 [16...d5!? 17.Nxa7 Ra8
18.cxd5 Nb6±] **17.Qd2 e5?** [17...d5
18.cxd5 e5 19.fxe5 Qh4+ 20.Kd1 Rxf3
21.gxf3 Qh3+-] **18.Nxd6 exf4** [18...e4
hoping against hope 19.Qd5+ Kh8+-]
19.Qd5+ Kh8 20.Bxc5 Rxc5 [20...Qh4+
no good, but what else? 21.Kf1 Rxc5
22.Qxc5 Nc6+-] **21.Nf7+ Kg8** [21...Rxf7
otherwise it's curtains at once 22.Qxd8+
Rf8+-] **1-0**

Round 7

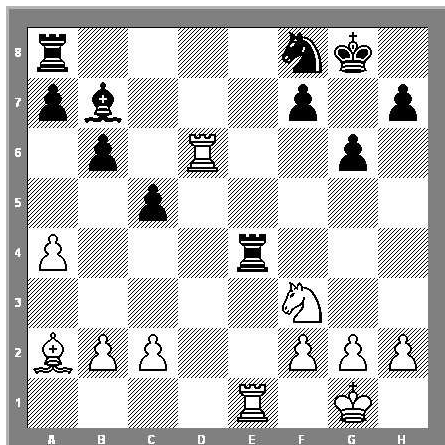
Craig Jones was still in the lead a half point ahead of Peter Bereolas. Samuel Xin had the biggest upset of the tournament when he defeated Chris Mabe in this round.

Rd	Bd	Scr	White	Scr	Black
07	1.	0.5	Pupols, Viktors (2247)	0.5	Jones, Craig W (2235)
07	2.	1.0	Bereolos, Peter (2325)	0.0	Pohl, Klaus A (2206)
07	3.	1.0	Williams, Justus D (2075)	0.0	Christensen, Wayne (2028)
07	4.	0.5	Simpson, Ronald (2302)	0.5	Burnett, Ronald (2408)
07	5.	0.0	Mabe, Chris J (2281)	1.0	Xin, Samuel L (2001)
07	6.	1.0	Dana, Maurice (2200)	0.0	Lauria, Michael D (2001)
07	7.	0.0	Myers, Dominique (2052)	1.0	Thompson, James C (1844)

Bereolos, Peter (2325) - Pohl, Klaus A (2206) [C41]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship
Hendersonville, NC (7), 20.03.2010
[Fritz 9 (30s)]

C41: Philidor Defence 1.d4 d6 2.e4 Nf6
3.Nc3 Nbd7 4.Nf3 e5 5.Bc4 Be7 6.0-0
0-0 7.a4 c6 8.Ba2 b6 9.Re1 Bb7 last
book move 10.Nh4 exd4 11.Qxd4 g6
Controls f5 [11...d5!? has some
apparent merit 12.e5 Nc5±] 12.Bh6±
Re8 13.Nf3 Bf8 14.Bxf8 Nxf8 15.Rad1
c5 [15...d5 16.exd5 Rxe1+ 17.Nxe1
cxd5 18.Bxd5 Nxd5 19.Nxd5±] 16.Qxd6
[16.Qd3!? Qe7+--] 16...Qxd6± 17.Rxd6
Nxe4 18.Nxe4 Rxe4



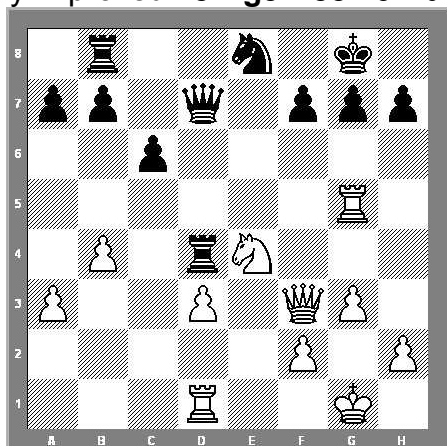
19.Bxf7+! Demolishes the pawn shield
19...Kg7 [19...Kxf7 Decoy theme: f7

20.Ng5+ Theme: Double Attack]
20.Rxe4 Bxe4 21.Bd5 Re8 22.Bxe4
Rxe4 23.b3 Re2 24.Rd2 Re7 25.Kf1
Ne6 26.g3 Kf6 27.c3 Rb7 [27...Ng5
28.Rd6+ Kf5 29.Nh4+ Ke5 30.Rd3±]
28.Rd6 Re7 29.Nd2 Kg7 [29...Re8
30.Nc4+--] 30.f4 Nf8 31.Kf2 Ne6 32.Nf3
Nf8 33.Ng5 [33.Ne5 g5+--] 33...Kg8
[33...h6 34.Nf3+--] 34.h3 [34.Rc6
Nd7+--] 34...Kg7 [34...h6 35.Nf3 Rd7
36.Rd2+--] 35.g4 [35.Kf3!? Rd7
36.Ne4 Kf7+--] 35...h6± 36.Nf3 Re4
37.a5 Rxf4 38.axb6 axb6 39.Rxb6 Rf7
40.Kg3 Re7 [40...Rd7 41.Rc6 Rd3
42.Rc7+ (42.Rxc5?! Ne6 43.Rc4 Ng5=)
42...Nd7 43.Kf4+--] 41.Rc6+-- Rb7
[41...Nd7 42.Rc7+--] 42.Nd2 Rd7
[42...Re7 43.Rxc5 Re3+ 44.Kf2 Rxh3
45.Rc7+ Kf6 46.Nf3+--] 43.Ne4 Rd3+
44.Kf2 [44.Kh2 Kh7+--] 44...Rxh3
45.Rc7+ Kg8 46.Rxc5 Ne6 47.Rc6 Kf7
48.b4 Rh2+ 49.Kg3 Rb2 50.b5 Ke7
51.Rb6 g5 [51...Rb1+--] 52.Kf3 Rb1
53.Nd6 Rc1?! not the greatest defence
[53...Kd7+--] 54.Nf5+ Kd7 [54...Kf7 the
last chance for counterplay 55.Rc6
Nd8+--] 55.Rd6+ Kc7 [55...Kc8 is not
the saving move 56.Rxe6 Rxc3+ 57.Ke4
Rc4+ 58.Nd4+--] 56.Rxe6 Rxc3+
57.Ne3 Rb3 58.b6+ [58.b6+ Kb7
59.Rxh6+--] 1-0

**Williams, Justus D (2075) –
Christensen, Wayne (2028)
[A29]**

2010 U.S. Masters Championship
Hendersonville, NC (7), 20.03.2010
[Fritz 9 (30s)]

A29: English Opening: Four Knights
Variation with 4 g3 1.Nf3 Nc6 2.c4 e5
3.Nc3 Nf6 4.g3 d5 5.cxd5 Nxd5 6.Bg2
Nb6 7.0-0 Be7 8.d3 0-0 9.a3 Be6 last
book move 10.Na4 Rb8 [10...e4 11.Ne1
Nxa4 12.Qxa4 exd3 13.Nxd3 Nd4+] 11.b4?
[11.Be3 f5+] 11...Nd4 [11...e4
12.Ne1 Bf6+] 12.Nxd4= exd4 White has
a cramped position 13.Bb2 Bd5
14.Bxd5 Qxd5 White king safety
dropped 15.Rc1 c6 16.Nc5 Rfd8
[16...Bg5 17.Rb1=] 17.Nb3 [17.e3 dxe3
18.fxe3 Bxc5 19.bxc5 Nd7+] 17...Bf6=
18.Rc5 Qe6 19.Nd2 Qh3 20.e3 Nd5
21.exd4 [21.e4 Nc3 22.Bxc3 dxc3=]
21...Nc7 [21...Re8!?+] 22.Ne4= Bxd4
23.Bxd4 Rxd4 24.Qf3 Qd7 White king
safety improved 25.Rg5 Ne8 26.Rd1

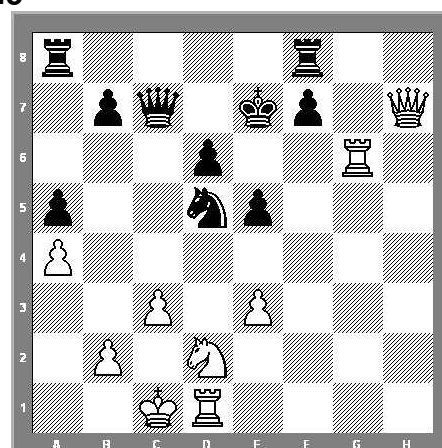


26...Rd8 [126...h6!? and Black is still in
the game 27.Nc5 Qe7+] 27.Nc5± Qe7
28.Qe3 Qc7 [28...Qxe3!? 29.fxe3 f6
30.exd4 fxe3 31.Nxb7 Rxd4±] 29.Re5+-
Qc8?? a blunder in a bad position
[129...Nf6 30.Re7 Qc8 31.Nxb7
R8d7+-] 30.Rxe8+! Clearance to allow
d4-e5[30.Rxe8+ Rxe8 31.Qxd4+-] 1-0

**Burnett, Ronald (2408) –
Simpson, Ronald (2302) [B59]**

2010 U.S. Masters Championship
Hendersonville, NC (7), 20.03.2010
[Fritz 9 (30s)]

B59: Classical Sicilian: 6 Be2 e5 7 Nb3
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4
Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Be2 e5 7.Nb3 Be7
8.Be3 0-0 9.g4 last book move 9...h6
10.h4 Black has a cramped position
10...Nh7 11.Qd2 a5 12.a4 Be6 13.g5
hxe3 14.hxe3 Bxe3 15.0-0-0 Bxe3
16.fxe3 [16.Qxe3?! Qg5=] 16...g6?
[16...f6!?±] 17.Bc4+- Theme:
Clearance for d2-h2 17...Bxc4 18.Qh2
Kg7 19.Qxh7+ Kf6 20.Nd2 Be6
21.Nd5+ Bxd5 22.exd5 Nb4 23.Rhg1
[123.Qh4+!? Kg7 24.Qh6+ Kf6 25.Ne4+
Ke7+-] 23...Ke7± 24.Rxg6 Qc7 25.c3
Nxd5



26.Ne4?? not a good decision, because
now the opponent is right back in the
game [126.Rf1 Nxe3 27.Rf3±]
26...Rh8-- 27.Qg7 Rag8 28.Nf6
[28.Qxg8 Rxg8 29.Rxg8 Nxe3 30.Rd3+-]
28...Rxg7 29.Nxd5+ Kf8 30.Rxg7
[30.Nxc7 does not save the day
30...Rxg6 (30...fxg6?! 31.Ne6+ Ke7
32.Nxg7±) 31.Rd5 f5+-] 30...Qc6
[130...Qc4 seems even better
31.Rg2+-] 31.Rg4 f5 [31...b6 makes it
even easier for Black 32.Kb1+-] 32.Rg5

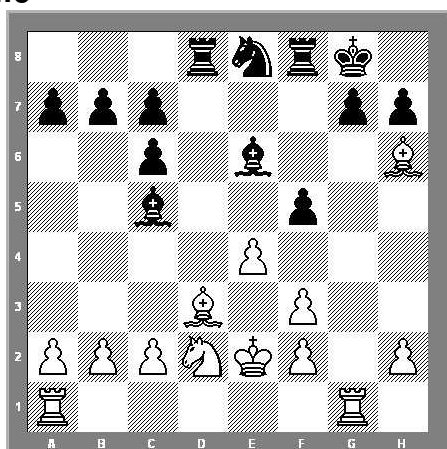
Qxa4 33.Rxf5+ Ke8 34.Rf2 Rh1
35.Rxh1 Qa1+ 36.Kc2 Qxh1 37.Rd2
Kd7 38.c4 Qf1 [38...Qe4+ and Black
 can already relax 39.Kc3 Qb1 40.Rf2
 Qe1+ 41.Rd2 Qc1+ 42.Rc2-+] **39.b3 b5**
40.cxb5 Qxb5 41.Nc3 Qc5 42.e4 Ke6
43.Rd5 Qf2+ 44.Rd2 Qb6 45.Nd5
 [45.Rd5 Kf6-+] **45...Qc5+ 46.Nc3 Kf7**
 [46...Qa3!? 47.Rf2-+] **47.Rd5 Qf2+**
48.Kc1 [48.Kd3!?-+] **48...Qb6 49.Kc2**
 1/2-1/2

Mabe, Chris J (2281) -

Xin, Samuel L (2001) [C45]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship
 Hendersonville, NC (7), 20.03.2010
 [Fritz 9 (30s)]

C45: Scotch Game **1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6**
3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Bc5 5.Nxc6 Qf6
6.Qf3 dxc6 7.Bc4 last book move
7...Qxf3 8.gxf3 Nf6 9.Rg1 0-0 10.Bh6
 White threatens to win material: Bh6xg7
10...Ne8 11.Nd2 Be6 12.Bd3 Rd8
13.Ke2 [13.Be3 Bxe3 14.fxe3 a6±]
13...f5



14.Nc4?? [14.Be3 would save the
 game 14...Bd6 15.f4 fxe4 16.Nxe4 Bxf4
 17.Bxf4 Rxf4 18.Ng5±] **14...fxe4-+**
15.fxe4 Rxf2+ 16.Ke1 Rxh2
 [16...Rxd3 might be the shorter path
 17.cxd3 Bxc4 18.dxc4 Rxh2 19.Bf4
 Bxg1 20.Bxh2 Bxh2 21.Ke2-+] **17.Be3**

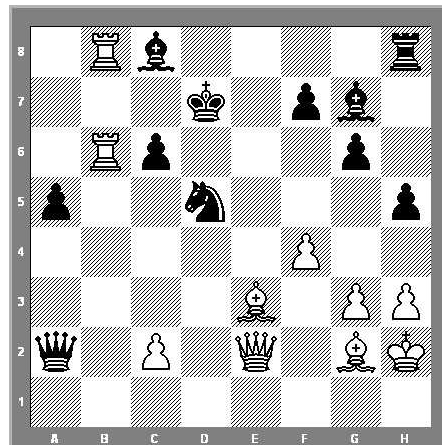
Bxe3 [17...Bb4+ keeps an even firmer
 grip 18.Nd2 Nf6 19.a3-+] **18.Nxe3 Nd6**
19.Nf1 Rh4 20.Ng3 Nf7 21.Rg2 [21.Kf2
 g5-+] **21...Ne5 22.Ke2** [22.Rd1 g6-+]
22...Bg4+ 23.Ke3 Rf8 [23...g5 makes it
 even easier for Black 24.Rag1-+] **24.Kd4**
Nf3+ [24...Bh3 seems even
 better 25.Re2 Nxd3 26.Kxd3-+] **25.Kc3**
 [25.Ke3 g6-+] **25...Rh2** [25...g5!? might
 be the shorter path 26.Nf5 Bxf5
 27.exf5-+] **26.Rxh2 Nxh2 27.e5?**
 [17.Nf5-+] **27...Nf3 28.Bc4+ Kh8**
29.Rf1 Re8 30.e6 b5 31.Bb3 h6 32.Ne4
 [32.a4 a5-+] **32...Bxe6 33.Rxf3 Bxb3**
34.cxb3 [34.Nc5 doesn't get the bull off
 the ice 34...Bd5 35.Rg3 g5-+] **34...Rxe4**
35.Kd3 [35.Rf7 does not help much
 35...h5 36.Kd3 Rg4-+] **35...Re6 36.Rf7**
h5 [36...a6 and Black can already relax
 37.a4 g5 38.axb5 axb5 39.Rxc7-+] **37.Rxc7**
 [37.Rf5 hardly improves
 anything 37...Rh6 38.Ke3 a6-+] **37...h4**
38.Rxa7 [38.Rf7 cannot undo what has
 already been done 38...h3 39.Rf1 g5-+] **38...Kg8**
 [17.h3 and Black wins
 39.Rf7 g5 40.Rf1-+] **39.Ra8+ Kh7**
40.Rf8 g5 [17.h3 keeps an even
 firmer grip 41.Rf1 g5 42.Rg1-+] **41.a4**
 [41.Rf7+ a fruitless try to alter the
 course of the game 41...Kh6 42.a4 g4-+] **41...bxa4**
 [17.h3!? might be the
 shorter path 42.Rf1 g4 43.Rh1-+] **42.bxa4 h3**
43.a5 [43.Rf1 does not
 solve anything 43...g4 44.Rh1 Rh6-+] **43...Re1**
 [43...h2 makes sure
 everything is clear 44.Rf1 g4 45.a6-+] **44.Rf7+**
 [44.Rf2 does not help much
 44...g4 45.Rh2 Kh6-+] **44...Kg6 45.Rf2**
 [45.Rc7 does not win a prize 45...Rc1
 46.Rc8 h2-+] **45...g4 46.b4** [46.Rh2
 what else? 46...Kg5 47.a6-+] **46...g3**
47.Rf3 [47.Re2 Rxe2 48.Kxe2 h2
 49.Kd3 g2 50.b5 h1Q 51.bxc6 Qb1+
 52.Kc4 g1Q 53.c7 Qe4+ 54.Kb5 Qgb1+
 55.Ka6 Qbb7#] **47...g2 48.Rg3+ Kf5**
 [48...Kf5 49.Rf3+ Kg4-+] **0-1**

**Dana, Maurice (2200) -
Lauria, Michael D (2001) [B50]**

2010 U.S. Masters Championship
Hendersonville, NC (7), 20.03.2010
[Fritz 9 (30s)]

B30: Sicilian: 2...Nc6 3 Bb5, lines
without ...g6 **1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3
d6 4.g3 g6 5.Bg2 Bg7 6.0-0 Bg4 7.h3**
last book move **7...Bd7 8.d3 Nf6 9.Nh4**
[9.Nd5 0-0±] **9...Qb6** [9...0-0 10.f4=]
10.Kh2 [10.Nd5 Qd8±] **10...Nd4 11.Ne2**
Nc6 12.f4 h6 13.Nc3 [13.c3 Qb5=]
13...0-0-0 14.Nf3 White prepares the
advance e5 **14...h5 15.e5** [15.a4 h4
16.Nxh4 Kb8=] **15...dxe5** [15...Ng4+!?
16.Kg1 dxe5±] **16.Nxe5= Be6** [16...Rh6
17.Nxd7 Nxd7 18.a4=] **17.Nxc6** [17.Na4
Qa5 18.Bxc6 bxc6 19.c4 Ng4+ 20.hxg4
Bxe5 21.fxe5 hxg4+ 22.Kg2 Bxc4
23.Nc3 (23.Qxg4+?? taking the pawn
will cause White grave problems
23...Be6 24.Qd1 Bd5+ 25.Rf3 Bxf3+
26.Qxf3 Qxa4+-) 23...Rxd3 24.Qxg4+
Be6 25.Qe4 Bh3+ 26.Kf2 Bxf1
27.Qxc6+ Qc7 28.Qa8+ Qb8 29.Qc6+
Qc7 30.Qa8+ Qb8 31.Qc6+ Qc7=]
17...bxc6= 18.Qe2 Nd5 Black threatens
to win material: Nd5xc3 [18...Ng4+
19.hxg4 hxg4+ 20.Kg1 c4+ 21.Rf2
Bd4±] **19.Ne4± c4** [Δ19...Bf5!?± should
be considered] **20.dxc4± Nc7 21.Ng5**
Rd7 22.Be3 [Δ22.c3 h4 23.g4+-]
22...Qxb2?? Black falls apart.
[Δ22...Bd4 23.Bxd4 Rxd4±] **23.Rab1**
[23.Bxc6 h4 24.Rab1 Qc3 25.Bxd7+
Bxd7+-] **23...Qxa2 24.Rb3 Rd6 25.Ne4**
a5 [25...Qa4 26.Rfb1 (26.Nxd6+?! exd6
27.Qd2 Qxc4+-) 26...Na6 27.Nxd6+
exd6 28.Qd3+-] **26.Rfb1** [Δ26.Nxd6+
and White can already relax 26...exd6
27.Bxc6+-] **26...Kd7** [26...Na6 27.c5
Nb4 28.Rxb4 axb4 29.cxd6 b3 30.dxe7
h4+-] **27.Nc5+ Kd8 28.Rb8+ Bc8**

29.Nb7+ Kd7 30.Nxd6 exd6 31.R1b6
d5 [31...h4 32.Rxc6 Qa3+-] **32.cxd5**
Nxd5



33.Rxc6!! Demolition of pawn structure.
33...Kxc6 Decoy to c6 **34.Qb5+ Kd6**
[34...Kc7 doesn't improve anything
35.Qc5+ Kd7 36.Bxd5 Qa4 37.Qa7+
Kd6 38.Rb6+ Qc6 39.Bxc6 Bd4 40.Bxd4
Bb7 41.Qxb7 Rd8 42.Be4#] **35.Qc5+**
Kd7 36.Bxd5 [36.Qxd5+?! Qxd5
37.Bxd5 Re8±] **36...Qa4 37.Ra8 Bb7**
[37...Qxc2+ does not win a prize
38.Qxc2 Bb7 39.Ra7 Rc8 40.Rxb7+ Kd6
41.Qxc8 Kxd5 42.Rd7+ Ke4 43.Qc2+
Kxe3 44.Rd3+ Ke4 45.Rd2+ Kf3
46.Qd3#] **38.Ra7 Rb8** [38...Qxc2+
doesn't change anything anymore
39.Qxc2 Rc8 40.Rxb7+ Kd6 41.Qxc8
Kxd5 42.Rd7+ Ke4 43.Qc2+ Kxe3
44.Rd2 g5 45.Qd3#] **39.Bxb7 Ke6**
[39...Kd8 a fruitless try to alter the
course of the game 40.Qb6+ Ke7
41.Bc5+ Ke8 42.Bc6+ Qxc6 43.Qxc6+
Kd8 44.Be7#] **40.Bd5+ Kf5 41.Rxf7+**
Bf6 42.Bg2+ Ke6 43.Qd5# 1-0

Round 8

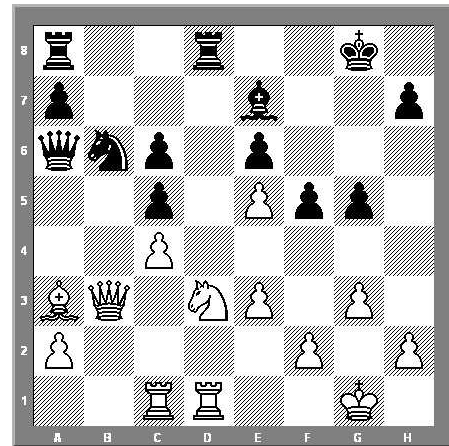
Peter Bereolas and Craig Jones were tied with 5.5 points and Justus Williams and Viktors Pupols were a full point behind with 4.5 points.

Rd	Bd	Scr	White	Scr	Black
08	1.	0.5	Bereolos, Peter (2325)	0.5	Williams, Justus D (2075)
08	2.	0.0	Xin, Samuel L (2001)	1.0	Jones, Craig W (2235)
08	3.	1.0	Burnett, Ronald (2408)	0.0	Pupols, Viktors (2247)
08	4.	1.0	Pohl, Klaus A (2206)	0.0	Christensen, Wayne (2028)
08	5.	0.0	Dana, Maurice (2200)	1.0	Simpson, Ronald (2302)
08	6.	0.0	Lauria, Michael D (2001)	1.0	Mabe, Chris J (2281)
08	7.	0.0	Rankin, Tim (1842)	1.0	Myers, Dominique (2052)

**Bereolos, Peter (2325) –
Williams, Justus D (2075) [E06]**

2010 U.S. Masters Championship
Hendersonville, NC (8), 21.03.2010
[Fritz 9 (30s)]

E06: Closed Catalan: Early deviations
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.g3 d5 4.Nf3 c6
5.Qc2 Be7 6.Bg2 0-0 7.0-0 Ne4 last
 book move **8.Ne5 f6** Consolidates g5
9.Nd3 [9.Bxe4? doesn't lead to the
 expected results 9...dxe4 10.Qxe4 fxe5
 11.dxe5 Bd7-+] **9...Nd6 10.b3 Nf7**
11.Bb2 f5 [11...Na6 12.Nd2±] **12.Nd2**
g5 [12...Bd6 13.Nf3±] **13.Nf3 Nd7**
14.Rad1 Qe8 15.Nfe5 [15.h3 a5±]
15...Nfxe5 16.dxe5 Nb6 [16...Qg6
 17.Qc1±] **17.e3** [17.a4 a5±] **17...dxc4**
18.bxc4 c5 19.Rc1 Qa4 Attacks the
 isolani on c4. Black threatens to win
 material: Qa4xa2 **20.Qb3 Rd8 21.Rfd1**
Bd7 22.Ba3 Bc6 23.Nb2 White
 threatens to win material: Nb2xa4
 [23.Nxc5 Rxd1+ 24.Rxd1 Qxc4 25.Bxc6
 bxc6±] **23...Qa6** [23...Qxb3 24.axb3 Be4
 25.h3=] **24.Bxc6± bxc6 25.Nd3**

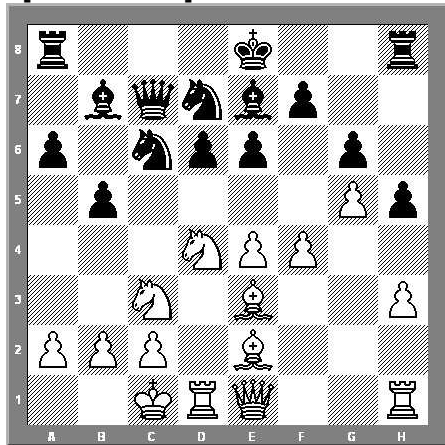


25...Kf7 [25...Qa5!?± deserves consideration] ½-½

**Xin, Samuel L (2001) -
Jones, Craig (2235) [B80]**

2010 U.S. Masters Championship
Hendersonville, NC (8), 21.03.2010
[Fritz 9 (30s)]
B46: Sicilian: Taimanov: 5.Nc3 a6 **1.e4**
c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.Nge2 e6 4.d4 cxd4
5.Nxd4 a6 6.Be3 Nf6 7.f3 Qc7 8.Qd2
d6 9.0-0-0 last book move **9...h5 10.Be2**
Be7 Black is behind in development.
11.Qe1 b5 12.h3 Covers g4 [12.Nxc6
Qxc6 13.Bd3 0-0±] **12...Bb7= 13.g4**
[13.a3=] **13...g6** Secures f5 [13...b4!? is
noteworthy 14.Nb1 Rc8±] **14.g5** White

threatens to win material: g5xf6
 [14.Nxc6 Bxc6 15.a3 Nd7±] **14...Nd7=**
15.f4 [15.a3 0-0=]

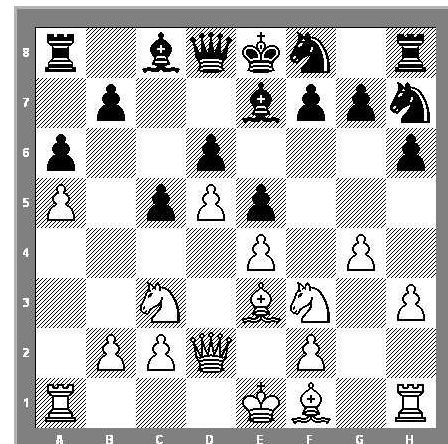


15...Rc8 [15...b4 16.Nb1 Nxd4
 17.Rxd4 d5±] **16.Rd2??** [16.a3= was
 much better] **16...b4+ 17.Nd5 exd5**
18.exd5 Na5 [18...Nxd4 and Black can
 already relax 19.Bxd4 0-0 20.Bf3-+]
19.Bf3 Nc4 [19...0-0 20.Rdh2-+] **20.Re2**
Nc5 [20...0-0 21.Bf2 Qa5 22.a3-+]
21.Kb1 Na4 Black threatens to win
 material: Na4xb2 [21...Nxb2 22.Kxb2
 Na4+ 23.Ka1 Qc3+ 24.Qxc3 Nxc3
 25.Rd2 Bxd5 26.Bxd5 Nxd5 27.Nf5±]
22.Qxb4? [22.Nc6 Bxc6 23.dxc6±]
22...Ncxb2± [Inferior is 22...Naxb2
 23.Bc1 Rb8 24.Bxb2 Nxb2 25.Rhe1±
 (25.Kxb2?? Bxd5 26.Nb5 Rxb5
 27.Qxb5+ axb5 28.Bxd5 0-0-+;
 25.Qxb2?! 0-0 26.Nb3 Rfc8±)]
23.Nb5?? the position is going down the
 drain [1623.Ka1 0-0 24.Bf2-+]
23...axb5-+ 24.Bd4 0-0 25.Bxb2 Nxb2
26.Qxb2 Rfd8 [26...Rfd8 27.f5 gxf5-+;
 1626...Bd8!? makes it even easier for
 Black 27.f5 Qc3 28.Rf1-+] **0-1**

Burnett, Ronald (2408) - Pupols, Viktors (2247) [B07]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship
 Hendersonville, NC (8), 21.03.2010
 [Fritz 9 (30s)]

B07: Pirc Defence: Miscellaneous
 Systems **1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 Nbd7**
4.g4 h6 5.Be3 e5 last book move **6.d5**
Be7 7.h3 Nh7 8.Nf3 c5 9.Qd2 a6 10.a4
Ndf8 11.a5

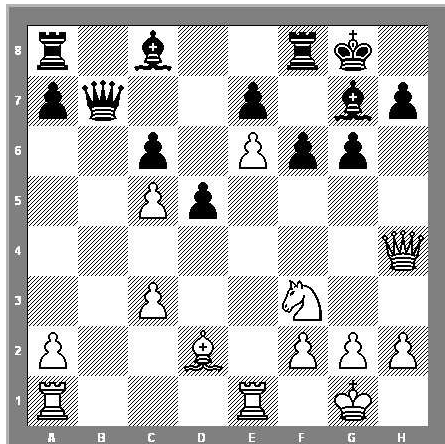


11...Bg5 [11...Ng5!? 12.Be2 Nxf3+
 13.Bxf3 Bg5=] **12.Nxg5± hxc5**
 [12...Nxg5 13.Be2±] **13.Na4± Ng6**
14.Nb6 Rb8 15.b4 Nh4 16.0-0-0 c4
 [16...Nf6!? 17.Bd3 Nf3 18.Qc3 cxb4
 19.Qxb4+-] **17.Bxc4 0-0** [17...Ng2
 18.Bb3+-] **18.Bd3 f6** [18...Bd7 19.c4+-
 (19.Nxd7?! Qxd7 20.c4 Ng2±)] **19.c4**
Rf7 20.Kb2 Nf8 21.Rc1 White intends
 c5 **21...Nfg6 22.c5 Bd7 23.c6** [23.Nc4!?
 seems even better 23...dxc5 24.bxc5
 Bb5+-] **23...Be8 24.cxb7 Rfxb7**
25.Bxa6 Nf3? [25...Ra7 26.Qd3 Nf4
 27.Bxf4 Rxb6 28.axb6 Qxb6+-] **26.Qe2**
Ra7 [26...Rxb6 does not solve anything
 27.Bxb6 Rxb6 28.axb6 (28.Qxf3 loses
 again 28...Rxb4+ (28...Rxa6?! is a
 weaker possibility 29.Rc2±) 29.Kc2
 Qxa5-+) 28...Qxb6 29.Qxf3 Qxa6
 30.Rc2+-] **27.Rc8** [27.Rc8 Rxc8
 28.Nxc8+- (≤28.Bxc8 Nd4 29.Bxd4
 exd4+-) ; 27.Qxf3?! Rxa6 28.Qe2
 Ra7+-] **1-0**

**Pohl, Klaus A (2206) –
Christensen, Wayne (2028)
[B31]**

2010 U.S. Masters Championship
Hendersonville, NC (8), 21.03.2010
[Fritz 9 (30s)]

B31: Sicilian: 2...Nc6 3 Bb5 g6 1.e4 c5
2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 g6 4.0-0 Bg7 5.c3 Nf6
6.Re1 0-0 7.d4 d5 8.e5 Ne4 9.Bxc6
bxc6 10.Nbd2 Nxd2 last book move
11.Bxd2 Qb6 [11...cxd4 12.cxd4 Qb6
13.a3=] 12.dxc5± Qxb2 13.Qa4 White
threatens to win material: Qa4xc6
13...Qb7 14.Qh4 f6 Prevents intrusion
on g5 15.e6

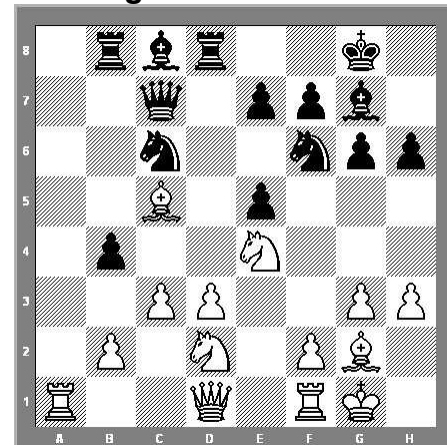


Black's piece can't move: c8 15...Qc7
[15...Qb5!?± has some apparent merit]
16.Nd4 f5 [16...Ba6!?±] 17.Bf4+–
Bf6?? shortens the misery for Black
[17...Qb7+–] 18.Qg3 [18.Qxf6! and
White has triumphed 18...Qxf4
19.Qxe7+–] 18...Qd8? [18...Qa5 19.Bh6
Re8 20.Bg5 Qxc5 21.Bxf6 exf6
22.Qc7±] 19.Nxf5 [19.Nxc6 makes it
even easier for White 19...Qe8 20.Nd4
Bxd4 21.cxd4 Rf6+–] 19...Kh8?
[19...Qa5 20.Be5 Bxe6 21.Bxf6 Rxf6
22.Nxe7+ Kg7 23.Nxc6 Qxc5 24.Nd4+–]
20.Nd4 [20.Nh6 might be the shorter
path 20...Qa5 21.Nf7+ Kg8+–]
20...Qe8? [20...Qa5 21.Bh6 Re8+–]
21.Bh6 Rg8 22.Bg5 Bxg5 23.Qxg5
Rb8 [23...Ba6+– is one last hope] 1-0

**Dana, Maurice (2200) –
Simpson, Ronald (2302) [B25]**

2010 U.S. Masters Championship
Hendersonville, NC (8), 21.03.2010
[Fritz 9 (30s)]

B25: Closed Sicilian: 3 g3, lines without
early Be3 1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 d6 3.Nf3 Nf6
4.g3 g6 5.Bg2 Bg7 6.0-0 Nc6 7.d3 0-0
8.h3 Rb8 9.a4 a6 10.Be3 b5 11.axb5
axb5 12.e5 last book move 12...dxe5
13.Bxc5 b4 14.Ne4 [14.Na4 Be6±]
14...Nd5 [14...Nxe4 15.dxe4 Qc7
16.Qe2=] 15.Nfd2 [15.Ned2 Qc7±]
15...Qc7 [15...f5 16.c4 bxc3 17.Nxc3±]
16.Ng5 [16.Nb3 Nf6±] 16...Nf6 17.c3
Secures d4 [17.Be3 Nd4 18.Nc4 Rd8=]
17...h6 18.Nge4 Rd8



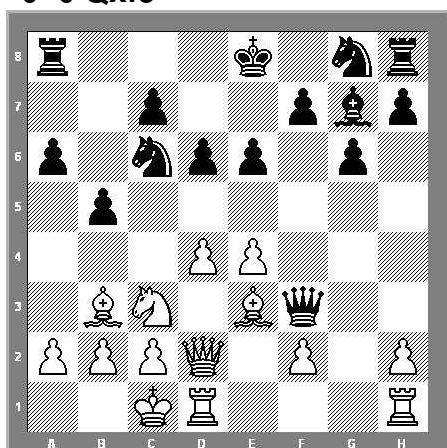
19.cxb4 [19.Nxf6+!? is interesting
19...exf6 20.Qf3 bxc3 21.bxc3±]
19...Nd5± 20.Qa4 [20.Rc1 Ndx b4
21.Bxb4 Rxb4±] 20...Ncxb4 21.Rfc1
Bd7 Black threatens to win material:
Bd7xa4 [21...Nxd3!? 22.Bd6 Qd7
(≤22...exd6 23.Rxc7 Nxc7 24.Qa7±)
23.Qxd7 Bxd7 24.Bxb8 Nxc1
(24...Rxb8?! 25.Rd1=) 25.Rxc1 Rxb8±]
22.Qb3± Bc6 23.Nc4 Na6 24.Qa3 Nxc5
25.Nxc5 Black has the pair of bishops
25...Nb4 Exerts pressure on the isolated
pawn 26.Bxc6 [26.Na6!? should not
be overlooked 26...Nxa6 27.Na5±]
26...Qxc6-+ [Less advisable is 26...Nxc6
27.Na6 Qb7 28.Nxb8±] 27.Na5 Qf3

28.d4 e4 [Δ28...Qf5-+] **29.Rc3??**
 another step towards the grave
 [Δ29.Qxf3 exf3 30.Ncb3+ **29...Nd3**
 [Δ29...Qf5 keeps an even firmer grip
 30.Rf1 Qxh3-+] **30.Nxd3??** White
 crumbles in face of a dire situation
 [30.Rxd3 exd3 31.Qxd3-+] **30...Bxd4**
 [30...exd3?! is easily refuted 31.Rxd3
 Qd5 32.Qxe7 Bxd4 33.Rd2+ **31.Nc6**
Qxg3+ [31...Qxg3+ 32.Kf1 Qxh3+
 33.Ke1 Bxc3+ 34.Qxc3 Qh1+ 35.Kd2
 Qxa1 36.Nxb8 Rxd3+ 37.Qxd3 exd3
 38.Kxd3 Qxb2-+; 31...exd3?! succumbs
 to 32.Nxd4 Rxd4 33.Qa7-+] **0-1**

Lauria, Michael D (2001) - Mabe, Chris J (2281) [B06]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship
 Hendersonville, NC (8), 21.03.2010
 [Fritz 9 (30s)]

B06: Modern Defence **1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7**
3.Nf3 d6 4.Be3 Nc6 5.Nc3 Bg4 6.Bb5
a6 last book move **7.Ba4 b5** Black
 threatens to win material: b5xa4 **8.Bb3**
e6 Controls d5 **9.Qd2** [9.d5 Bxc3+
 10.bxc3 Ne5=] **9...Bxf3= 10.gxf3** White
 has the pair of bishops **10...Qf6** Black
 threatens to win material: Qf6xf3
11.0-0-0 Qxf3



12.d5 White threatens to win material:
 d5xc6 [12.Rhg1!? Na5 13.Rg3=]
12...Na5+ 13.dxe6 [13.Rhe1!?+ should

be considered] **13...Nxb3+ 14.axb3**
fxe6 15.Bf4 [15.h4 b4 16.Qe2 Qxe2
 17.Nxe2 Nf6+ **15...Qxf4** [15...Bxc3!?
 16.bxc3 Nf6 17.e5-+] **16.Qxf4+ Bh6**
17.Qxh6 Nxh6 18.f3 Rf8 19.Rhf1 Ke7
20.Ne2 e5 21.Rd3 b4 22.c4 [22.Kd2
 Ng4 23.h3 Nf6-+] **22...Rf6 23.Rfd1**
 [23.f4 Nf7-+] **23...Nf7 24.h4 h5** [24...Nd8
 25.f4 exf4 26.Rf3-+] **25.Kd2 Nd8**
26.Ke3 [26.c5 Ne6 27.cxd6+ cxd6-+]
26...Ne6 27.Kf2 Rg8 28.Rh1 a5 29.Rh2
Nc5 30.Re3 a4 [Δ30...g5-+] **31.Rh1??**
 terrible, but what else could White do to
 save the game? [31.Nc1 Ra8-+]
31...Ra8 [Δ31...Nxb3 and Black can
 celebrate victory 32.Rd1 g5-+] **32.Ra1**
Rff8 33.bxa4 Nxa4 34.b3 [34.Rb1 Nb6
 35.b3 Ra2-+] **34...Nc5 35.Rxa8 Rxa8**
36.f4 [36.Nc1 Ra3-+] **36...Ra3**
 [Δ36...Ra2!? and Black can already
 relax 37.Kg3-+] **37.fxe5 dxe5 38.Nc1**
Ra1 39.Nd3 Ra2+ [39...Nxd3+ 40.Rxd3
 Rh1 41.Rd5-+] **40.Kg3** [40.Kf1 Nxd3
 41.Rxd3 Rh2-+] **40...Nxd3 41.Rxd3 Rc2**
42.Rd5 Rc3+ 43.Kg2 [43.Kf2 Ke6
 44.Rc5 Rxb3 45.Rxc7 Kd6-+] **43...Ke6**
44.Rc5 Rxb3 45.Rxc7 Kd6 46.Rg7
 [46.Rb7 is still a small chance 46...Kc5
 47.Rb5+ Kxc4 48.Rxe5-+] **46...Re3**
47.Rxg6+ Kc5 48.Re6 b3 49.Rxe5+
Kxc4 50.Kf2 Rd3 [50...Rh3 51.Re7 b2
 52.Rc7+ Kd3 53.Rd7+ Kxe4 54.Re7+
 Kd4 55.Rb7-+] **51.Re8** [51.Rg5 cannot
 change destiny 51...b2 52.Rg1 Kd4-+]
51...b2 52.Rc8+ Kb3 53.e5 [53.Rb8+
 the only chance to get some counterplay
 53...Kc2 54.Ke2-+] **53...b1Q 54.Rb8+**
Kc2 55.Rxb1 Kxb1 56.e6 Rd6 57.Kf3
Rxe6 58.Kf4 [58.Kg2 does not improve
 anything 58...Kc2 59.Kf3 Re5 60.Kf4
 Ra5 61.Ke4 Rb5 62.Kd4 Kd2 63.Kc4
 Re5 64.Kb4 Kc2 65.Kc4 Re4+ 66.Kd5
 Kd3 67.Kc5 Rd4 68.Kb5 Rd5+ 69.Kb6
 Kd4 70.Ka6 Kc5 71.Kb7 Rd7+ 72.Kc8
 Kc6 73.Kb8 Rd8+ 74.Ka7 Re8 75.Ka6
 Ra8#] **58...Kc2 0-1**

Round 9

Going into round 9, Craig Jones was in the lead with 6.5 points and Peter Bereolas was right behind with 6 points. Klaus Pohl and Justus Williams were in third place with 5 points. Pohl had the only decisive result of the round which put the order of finish at Jones, Bereolas, Pohl, and Williams. Craig Jones was crowned the 2010 U.S. Masters Champion!

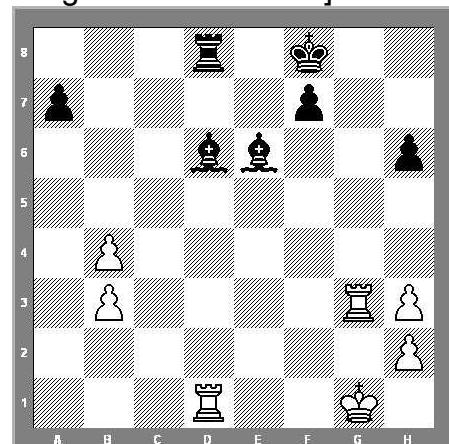
Rd	Bd	Scr	White	Scr	Black
09	1.	0.5	Jones, Craig W (2235)	0.5	Burnett, Ronald (2408)
09	2.	0.5	Simpson, Ronald (2302)	0.5	Bereolos, Peter (2325)
09	3.	0.0	Lauria, Michael D (2001)	1.0	Pohl, Klaus A (2206)
09	4.	0.5	Williams, Justus D (2075)	0.5	Dana, Maurice (2200)
09	5.	0.5	Pupols, Viktors (2247)	0.5	Thompson, Reece E (1816)
09		0.0	Christensen, Wayne (2028)	bye	requested
09		0.0	Xin, Samuel L (2001)	bye	requested
09		0.0	Mabe, Chris J (2281)	bye	requested
09		0.0	Myers, Dominique (2052)	bye	requested

Lauria, Michael D (2001) - Pohl, Klaus A (2206) [C41]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship
Hendersonville, NC (9), 21.03.2010
[Fritz 9 (30s)]

C41: Philidor Defence **1.e4 d6 2.d4 e5 3.Nf3 exd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Bg5 Bg7 7.Bc4 h6 8.Bh4 0-0 9.0-0** last book move **9...c6 10.f4** [10.Re1 Nbd7±] **10...b5** [10...Qb6 11.Bf2 Qxb2 12.Qf3±] **11.Ndxb5** [11.Bxb5!? Qb6 12.Na4±] **11...cxb5= 12.Bd5** White threatens to win material: Bd5xa8 [Not 12.Bxb5 a6 13.Bc4 Qc7±] **12...g5** Black threatens to win material: g5xh4 **13.Bxa8** [13.Nxb5?? a poisoned pawn 13...Nxd5 14.Qxd5 gxh4 15.Nxd6 Be6+] **13...gxh4 14.e5** [14.Qd4!? is worth looking at 14...Nfd7 15.Qxa7 Qb6+ 16.Qxb6 Nxb6 17.Bd5±] **14...Qb6+ 15.Kh1 dxe5 16.fxe5 Ng4 17.Qe2 Nxe5 18.Qxb5** [18.Nd5 Qd6±] **18...Qxb5 19.Nxb5 Nbc6 20.Bxc6 Nxc6 21.c3 h3 22.Nd6** [22.g3 Ne5 23.Kg1 Bg4+] **22...Be6+ 23.Rfd1** [23.gxh3 Rb8 24.Rf2 Be5+] **23...Rb8** [23...Rd8 24.gxh3 Be5 25.Ne4+] **24.b3 Ne7**

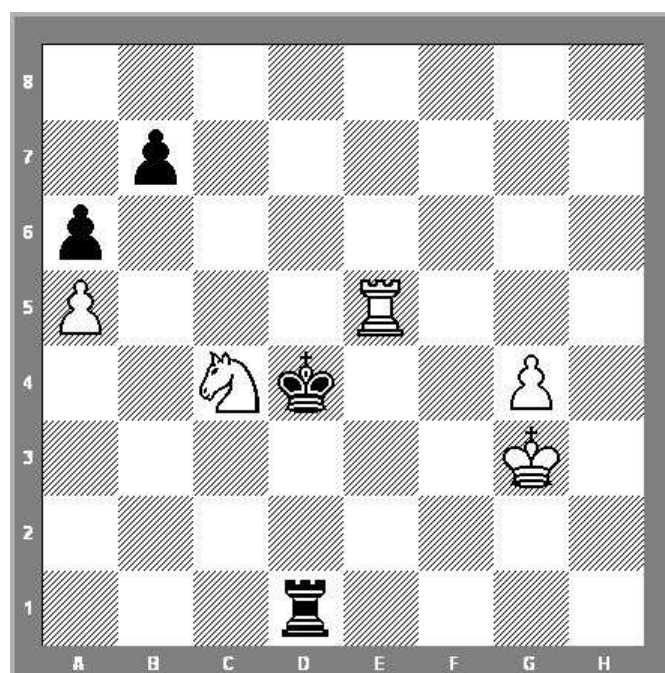
25.gxh3 Bxc3 26.Rac1 Be5 27.Kg1 [27.Rc5 Bf4 28.Nc4 Bxh3+] **27...Bf4 28.Rc3** [28.Ra1 Kh7 29.Rd3 Rg8+ 30.Kf2 Nd5+] **28...Nd5 29.Rc6** [29.Rg3+ is not much help 29...Bxg3 30.hxg3 Nc3+] **29...Nb4 30.Rc3** [30.Rc4 doesn't do any good 30...Bxc4 31.Nxc4 Nxa2+] **30...Rd8 31.a3 Bxd6** [Not 31...Rxd6 32.Rxd6 Bxd6 33.axb4 Bxb4 34.Rd3+] **32.Rg3+ Kf8** [32...Bxg3 A pinning theme 33.Rxd8+] **33.axb4**



33...Bc5+! Clearance to allow d8-d1
34.bxc5 Rxd1+ 35.Kf2 Rb1 36.b4 Rb2+ [36...Rb2+ 37.Ke1 Rxb4+] **0-1**

Symbol Key

Symbol	Meaning	Symbol	Meaning
!	Good move	±	White is slightly better
!!	Very good move	±	White is clearly better
?	Bad move	+−	White is winning
??	Very bad move, blunder	∓	Black is slightly better
!?	Interesting move	∓	Black is clearly better
?!	Dubious move	−+	Black is winning
=	The position is about equal	⊃	Better is
		⊆	Worse is



White to move.
(from Williams – Pupols, 18.03.2010)

Game Scores

(1) Bereolos, Peter (2325) – Harris, Neal D (2200) [D26]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (1.1), 13.03.2010

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.e3 e6 5.Bxc4 Nc6 6.0-0 Bd6 7.Nc3 0-0 8.h3 a6 9.Qd2 e5
10.d5 Ne7 11.e4 Ng6 ½-½

(2) Myers, Dominique (2052) – Simpson, Ronald (2302) [B33]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (1.1), 13.03.2010

1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e6 6.Ndb5 d6 7.Bf4 e5 8.Bg5 a6 9.Na3
Be7 10.Bxf6 gxf6 11.Nd5 f5 12.f3 0-0 13.Nc4 b5 14.Nxe7+ Qxe7 15.Nb6 Ra7 16.Bd3
Nb4 17.a3 Nxd3+ 18.Qxd3 fxe4 19.fxe4 Qg5 20.0-0 Rb7 21.Nxc8 Rxc8 22.Rf5 Qg4
23.Qxd6 Qg6 24.Qxe5 h6 25.Rd1 Qb6+ 26.Kh1 Rxc2 27.Rf3 Rc5 28.Rg3+ Kf8 29.Qh8+
Ke7 30.Rg8 Qc6 31.Rgd8 Ke6 32.Re8+ Re7 33.Qxh6+ f6 34.Red8 Qc7 35.Qg6 Rg7
36.Re8+ Re7 37.Qg4+ f5 38.Qg6+ 1-0

(3) Mabe, Chris J (2281) – Christensen, Wayne (2028) [D14]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (1.1), 13.03.2010

1.Nf3 d5 2.d4 Nf6 3.c4 c6 4.cxd5 cxd5 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Bf4 Bf5 7.e3 e6 8.Bb5 Bb4 9.0-0
0-0 10.Qb3 Qe7 11.a3 Bd6 12.Ne5 Bxe5 13.dxe5 Nh5 14.Qa4 g5 15.Bg3 Nxg3 16.fxg3
Qc5 17.Bxc6 bxc6 18.Qd4 Qb6 19.Na4 Qxd4 20.exd4 Rab8 21.Rac1 Rb3 22.Rf3 Rfb8
23.Rcc3 R3b5 24.Rxc6 Ra5 25.b3 Bg4 26.Rfc3 Bd1 27.R6c5 Ra6 28.Rc8+ Rxc8
29.Rxc8+ Kg7 30.Rb8 Ra5 31.Rb7 Kg6 32.Rb4 Bxb3 33.Nc5 Bd1 34.a4 f6 35.exf6 Kxf6
36.Kf2 e5 37.Ke3 e4 38.Kd2 Bh5 39.Kc3 Be8 40.Rb8 Bxa4 41.Kb4 Rxc5 42.Kxc5 Ke6
43.Kb4 Bd1 44.Ra8 h5 45.Kc3 Be2 46.Rxa7 Bc4 47.Kd2 Bb3 48.Ke3 Kf5 49.Re7 Bc4
50.Re5+ Kg6 51.h4 gxh4 52.gxh4 Bb3 53.Rg5+ Kh6 54.Kf4 Bc4 55.g3 Bb3 56.Re5 Bc4
57.Re6+ Kg7 58.Kg5 Be2 59.Re7+ Kg8 1-0

(4) Xin, Samuel L (2001) – Pupols, Viktors (2247) [C56]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (1.1), 13.03.2010

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Nf6 4.d4 exd4 5.e5 Ng4 6.Bf4 d6 7.exd6 Bxd6 8.Qe2+ Kf8
9.Bxd6+ Qxd6 10.0-0 Be6 11.Bxe6 Qxe6 12.Qb5 b6 13.Re1 Qd6 14.Nbd2 Nf6 15.Rad1
a6 16.Qf5 g6 17.Qg5 Kg7 18.Nb3 Rhe8 19.Qd2 Rxe1+ 20.Rxe1 Rd8 21.Rd1 Ne4
22.Qe2 Nc5 23.Nbxd4 Nxd4 24.Nxd4 Qf6 25.c3 Na4 26.h3 c5 27.Qc2 b5 28.b3 Nxc3
29.Ne6+ fxe6 30.Rxd8 Qxd8 31.Qxc3+ Qd4 32.Qg3 e5 33.Qg5 Qd6 34.Qg4 h5 35.Qc8
Kf7 36.Qb7+ Ke6 37.Qe4 Ke7 38.Qb7+ Ke6 39.Qe4 Kf6 40.Qf3+ Kg7 41.Qb7+ Kh6
42.Qf7 h4 43.Qe8 c4 44.bxc4 bxc4 45.Qh8+ Kg5 46.Qc8 Qd4 47.Kh2 a5 48.Qe6 Qf4+
49.Kg1 c3 50.Qe7+ Kh6 51.Qc5 Qc1+ 52.Kh2 c2 53.Qxe5 Qd2 ½-½

(5) Jones, Craig (2235) – Lauria, Michael D (2001) [A07]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (1.1), 13.03.2010

1.Nf3 d5 2.g3 Nc6 3.c4 dxc4 4.Bg2 e5 5.Qa4 Bd6 6.Na3 Nf6 7.Nxc4 0-0 8.0-0 Be6 9.Nxd6 cxd6 10.d4 Qb6 11.Bg5 Nd7 12.Rad1 e4 13.d5 exf3 14.exf3 Nc5 15.Qa3 Ne5 16.dxe6 fxe6 17.Be3 Rfd8 18.b4 Qa6 19.Qxa6 Nxa6 20.f4 Nc4 21.Bxb7 Nxb4 22.Bxa8 Rxa8 23.Bd2 Nxa2 24.Be1 Rb8 25.Ra1 Rb2 26.f3 a5 27.Rf2 Rxf2 28.Kxf2 Nb4 29.Bxb4 axb4 30.Rb1 Kf7 31.Rxb4 d5 32.Rxc4 dxc4 33.Ke3 Ke7 34.Kd4 Kd6 35.Kxc4 Kc6 36.Kd4 Kd6 37.Ke4 g6 38.Kd4 Kd7 39.Ke5 Ke7 40.g4 Kf7 41.g5 1-0

(6) High, David (1930) – Pohl, Klaus A (2206) [B00]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (1.1), 13.03.2010

1.e4 Nc6 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 Bg4 4.Be2 Nf6 5.Nc3 e6 6.0-0 Be7 7.Be3 0-0 8.Nd2 Bxe2 9.Qxe2 d5 10.e5 Nd7 11.f4 Nb4 12.Nb3 a5 13.a3 a4 14.Nc1 Nc6 15.f5 exf5 16.Nxd5 Bg5 17.Bxg5 Qxg5 18.c3 Rfc8 19.Nd3 Nf8 20.Qf2 g6 21.Nf6+ Kh8 22.Rae1 Rd8 23.Re3 h5 24.Rg3 Qh6 25.Qxf5 Ne6 26.Qf2 Ne7 27.Nf4 Nxf4 28.Qxf4 Qxf4 29.Rxf4 Ra6 30.Rd3 c6 31.Ne4 Nf5 32.Nc5 Ra7 33.Ne4 Ra5 34.Ng3 Rxe5 35.Nxf5 Rxf5 36.Rxf5 gxf5 37.Rh3 Rd5 38.Rxh5+ Kg7 39.g4 fxg4 40.Rxd5 cxd5 41.Kf2 b5 42.Kg3 f5 43.h3 gxh3 44.Kxh3 Kf6 45.Kh4 Kg6 46.Kg3 Kg5 47.Kf3 f4 48.Kf2 Kg4 49.Kg2 f3+ 50.Kf1 Kg3 51.Kg1 f2+ 52.Kf1 Kf3 53.c4 bxc4 54.b4 axb3 0-1

(7) Jones, Craig (2235) – Mabe, Chris J (2281) [A85]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (2.1), 13.03.2010

1.Nf3 d6 2.d4 f5 3.c4 Nf6 4.Nc3 g6 5.Qc2 Bg7 6.Bg5 Nc6 7.d5 Ne5 8.Nxe5 dxe5 9.e4 Nxe4 10.Nxe4 fxe4 11.c5 Qxd5 12.Bb5+ c6 13.Bc4 Qd7 14.Rd1 Qf5 15.Qb3 Rf8 16.Be3 Bh6 17.0-0 Bf4 18.Rd2 Qh5 19.Bxf4 Rxf4 20.Rfd1 Kf8 21.Be2 Bg4 22.Bxg4 Qxg4 23.Qxb7 Qc8 24.Qb3 Rb8 25.Qe3 Qg4 26.h3 Qh5 27.g3 Rf6 28.Rd8+ Rxd8 29.Rxd8+ Kg7 30.Rd7 Qxh3 31.Rxa7 Qe6 32.b3 Rf3 33.Qxe4 Rc3 34.b4 Kf7 35.Kg2 h5 36.Rc7 Rc4 37.Qf3+ Kg7 38.Rxc6 Qd7 39.Rb6 e4 40.Qe3 Qd1 41.Qg5 Qf3+ 42.Kg1 Qf7 43.Rb7 Kf8 44.Qh6+ 1-0

(8) Pupols, Viktors (2247) – Myers, Dominique (2052) [A58]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (2.1), 13.03.2010

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 b5 4.cxb5 a6 5.bxa6 Bxa6 6.f4 g6 7.Nf3 Bg7 8.Nc3 d6 9.e4 Bxf1 10.Rxf1 Nbd7 11.e5 dxe5 12.fxe5 Ng4 13.e6 fxe6 14.Ng5 Qa5 15.Nxe6 Bxc3+ 16.bxc3 Qxc3+ 17.Qd2 Qe5+ 18.Kd1 Rb8 19.Qg5 Qxa1 20.Qxg4 Rb4 21.Qf3 Nf6 22.d6 Qxa2 23.d7+ Kxd7 24.Nxc5+ Ke8 25.Qc6+ Kf7 26.Rxf6+ Kg7 27.Rf3 Rd4+ 28.Rd3 Rxd3+ 29.Nxd3 Rd8 30.Qc3+ Kf7 31.Bd2 Qa4+ 32.Kc1 Qb5 33.Ne5+ Ke6 34.Nf3 Qd5 35.Kd1 Rd6 36.Ke1 Kd7 37.Ne5+ Ke6 38.Nf3 Kd7 39.Kf2 Rf6 40.Be3 e5 41.Ke2 Ra6 42.Nxe5+ Ke6 43.Nf3 Ra2+ 44.Bd2 Ra4 45.Qc8+ Ke7 46.Qc7+ Qd7 47.Qe5+ Qe6 48.Qxe6+ Kxe6 49.Ng5+ Kf5 50.Nxh7 Rh4 51.Ng5 Rxh2 52.Kf3 Rh4 53.Be3 ½-½

(9) Xin, Samuel L (2001) – Bereolos, Peter (2325) [C52]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (2.1), 13.03.2010

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4 Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.0-0 Nge7 8.cxd4 d5 9.exd5 Nxd5 10.Qb3 Be6 11.Ba3 Qd7 12.Nbd2 Bxd2 13.Nxd2 Na5 14.Qb2 Nxc4 15.Nxc4 Nf4 16.Qxb7 Ne2+ 17.Kh1 Bd5 18.Qb3 Qe6 19.Qa4+ Bc6 20.Qb3 Nxd4 21.Qd3 0-0-0 22.Rfc1 Ne2 23.Nd6+ Rxd6 24.Bxd6 Nxc1 25.Rxc1 Qxd6 26.Qxd6 cxd6 27.Rxc6+ Kd7 28.Ra6 Ra8 29.Kg1 Ke6 30.Kf1 Kd5 31.Ke2 Re8+ 32.Kd3 Re7 33.Ra4 Kc5 34.Rc4+ Kb5 35.Rd4 Rd7 36.Rh4 h6 37.Rg4 g6 38.h4 h5 39.Rf4 Kc5 40.Rc4+ Kd5 41.Rd4+ Ke5 42.Re4+ Kf5 43.Ra4 Rc7 44.g3 d5 45.Kd4 Rc4+ 46.Rxc4 dxc4 47.Kxc4 Ke4 48.Kb5 Kf3 49.Ka6 Kxf2 50.Kxa7 Kxg3 51.Kb6 g5 0-1

(10) Lauria, Michael D (2001) – Simpson, Ronald (2302) [B24]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (2.1), 13.03.2010

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7 5.d3 e6 6.Be3 Nd4 7.Qd2 Ne7 8.Nd1 b6 9.c3 Ndc6 10.Bh6 Bxh6 11.Qxh6 Ba6 12.Ne3 Ne5 13.Kd2 Nxd3 14.Ng4 Ng8 15.Qg7 Qg5+ 16.f4 Nxf4 17.Qxh8 Nxg2+ 18.Kc2 0-0-0 19.h3 Ne3+ 20.Nxe3 Qxe3 21.Rh2 Bd3+ 22.Kb3 Qxe4 23.Ka3 b5 24.b4 Ne7 25.Qf6 Nd5 26.Qh4 Qe3 27.Qg4 cxb4+ 28.Kb3 Bc4+ 0-1

(11) Christensen, Wayne (2028) – Waddell, Bobby (1927) [A57]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (2.1), 13.03.2010

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 b5 4.cxb5 a6 5.b6 g6 6.Nc3 Qxb6 7.e4 d6 8.Nf3 Nbd7 9.Be2 Bg7 10.0-0 0-0 11.Nd2 Ne5 12.Kh1 Nfg4 13.h3 Nh6 14.h4 f5 15.f4 Nd7 16.Nc4 Qd8 17.e5 Nb6 18.Na5 Qe8 19.Nc6 Bb7 20.h5 Nd7 21.Na4 dxe5 22.fxe5 Bxc6 23.dxc6 Nxe5 24.Bxh6 Bxh6 25.Qd5+ Nf7 26.Nb6 1-0

(12) Bereolos, Peter (2325) – Jones, Craig (2235) [E20]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (3.1), 14.03.2010

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.g3 Bb4+ 4.Nc3 c5 5.Nf3 0-0 6.Bg2 cxd4 7.Nxd4 d5 8.cxd5 Nxd5 9.Qb3 Qb6 10.Bxd5 exd5 11.Be3 Nc6 12.Nxc6 Qxc6 13.Bd4 Qc4 14.Qxc4 dxc4 15.0-0 Be6 16.Nb5 Rfc8 17.Nxa7 Rd8 18.Nb5 Bd7 19.Nc3 Bg4 20.Rfd1 Bxc3 ½-½

(13) Pohl, Klaus A (2206) – Myers, Dominique (2052) [C78]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (3.1), 14.03.2010

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 b5 6.Bb3 Bc5 7.c3 d6 8.d4 Bb6 9.dxe5 Nxe5 10.Nxe5 dxe5 11.Qxd8+ Kxd8 12.Bg5 Ke7 13.Nd2 Bb7 14.Nf3 h6 15.Bh4 g5 16.Bg3 Nxe4 17.Bxe5 f6 18.Bd4 c5 19.Be3 Rad8 20.Rad1 h5 21.Rfe1 Rhe8 22.Rxd8 Kxd8 23.Bf7 Rh8 24.Bg6 Kc7 25.Bxe4 Bxe4 26.Bxc5 Bxf3 27.Bxb6+ Kxb6 28.gxf3 Rc8 29.Re6+ Rc6 30.Rxc6+ Kxc6 31.Kf1 Kd5 32.Ke2 a5 33.b3 a4 34.Kd3 f5 35.c4+ bxc4+ 36.bxc4+ Kc5 37.Kc3 a3 38.Kb3 g4 39.fxg4 hxg4 40.Kc3 f4 41.Kd3 Kd6 42.Kd4 f3 43.c5+ Kc6 44.Kc4 Kc7 45.Kd5 Kd7 46.c6+ Kc7 47.Kc5 Kc8 48.Kd6 Kd8 49.Ke5 Kc7 50.Kf4 Kxc6 51.Kxg4 Kd5 52.h4 Ke6 53.Kxf3 Kf5 54.Kg3 Kg6 55.Kg4 Kh6 56.f4 Kg6 57.f5+ Kh7 58.Kg5 Kg7 59.f6+ Kf7 60.Kf5 Kg8 61.Ke6 Kf8 1-0

(14) Simpson, Ronald (2302) – Christensen, Wayne (2028) [C28]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (3.1), 14.03.2010

1.e4 e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.Bc4 Nc6 4.d3 Bb4 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bd2 Nd4 7.a3 Ba5 8.b4 Bb6 9.Na4 d5 10.exd5 Nxd5 11.Nf3 Bg4 12.c3 Nxf3+ 13.gxf3 Bh5 14.Rg1 c6 15.Qe2 Qf6 16.Bxd5 cxd5 17.Nxb6 axb6 18.d4 0-0-0 19.dxe5 Qf5 20.Qe3 Rhe8 21.f4 g5 22.Rg3 gxf4 23.Qxf4 Rxe5+ 24.Kf1 Be2+ 25.Kg1 Qh5 26.Qxh6 Rh8 27.Qxh5 Rexh5 28.Re1 Bb5 29.Re7 Rxh2 30.Rxf7 Rh1+ 31.Kg2 d4 32.Kf3 Rd1 33.Bf4 d3 34.Rc7+ Kd8 35.Rgg7 Rf8 36.Rcf7 Bc6+ 37.Kg4 Rxf7 38.Rxf7 d2 39.Bxd2 Rxd2 40.Rf4 b5 41.Kf5 Rc2 42.Ke5 Rxc3 43.Kd6 Rxa3 44.Rf8+ Be8 45.f4 Ra6+ 46.Ke5 Ke7 47.Rh8 Re6+ 48.Kd5 Bc6+ 49.Kc5 Rf6 50.Rh4 Ke6 51.Kb6 Kf5 52.Kc5 Re6 53.Rh5+ Kxf4 54.Rh4+ Ke3 55.Kb6 Re4 56.Rh3+ Kd4 57.Ka5 Re3 58.Rh4+ Kd5 59.Rh5+ Kd6 60.Kb6 Rc3 61.Rh6+ Kd5 62.Rh5+ Kc4 63.Rh4+ Kb3 64.Ka5 Rc1 65.Rh3+ Kc2 66.Rh2+ Kc3 67.Rh3+ Kd4 68.Rh5 Rc3 69.Rh4+ Kd5 70.Rh5+ Kd6 71.Kb6 Ra3 72.Rh6+ Kd5 73.Rh5+ Kc4 74.Rh4+ Kb3 75.Kc5 Ka4 0-1

(15) Mabe, Chris J (2281) – Pupols, Viktors (2247) [C11]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (3.1), 14.03.2010

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5.f4 c5 6.Nf3 Nc6 7.Be3 cxd4 8.Nxd4 Bc5 9.Qd2 Nxd4 10.Bxd4 Bxd4 11.Qxd4 Qb6 12.Qxb6 Nxb6 13.0-0-0 Bd7 14.Bd3 Ke7 15.Ne2 h5 16.Nd4 Rag8 17.h4 g6 18.b3 Rc8 19.Kd2 Rc7 20.Rdg1 a6 21.g4 hxg4 22.Rxg4 Rcc8 23.Rg5 Rh6 24.h5 Rch8 25.Be2 Be8 26.Bf3 gxh5 27.Rhxxh5 f5 28.Rxxh6 Rxxh6 29.Ke3 Rh7 30.Ne2 Kf8 31.a4 a5 32.Nd4 Ke7 33.Rg8 Kf7 34.Rg3 Nc8 35.Be2 Ne7 36.Nf3 Kf8 37.Ng5 Rh6 38.Kd4 b6 39.Ke3 Bc6 40.Ba6 d4+ 41.Kxd4 Nd5 42.Rh3 Rxh3 43.Nxxh3 Ke7 44.c3 Nc7 45.Bc4 Kd7 46.Nf2 Bd5 47.Nd3 Kc6 48.Bb5+ Kb7 49.c4 Be4 50.Nb2 Bc6 51.Nd1 Be4 52.Ne3 Bf3 53.Kc3 Bc6 54.Nc2 Be4 55.Nd4 Kc8 56.b4 Bb7 57.bxa5 bxa5 58.Nb3 Na8 59.Nxa5 Be4 60.Nb3 Nc7 61.Nc5 Ba8 62.Bd7+ 1-0

(16) Lauria, Michael D (2001) – Xin, Samuel L (2001) [B23]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (3.1), 14.03.2010

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 a6 3.g3 b5 4.a3 Bb7 5.Bg2 d6 6.d3 g6 7.Nf3 Bg7 8.0-0 Nf6 9.Re1 Nbd7 10.Bg5 0-0 11.Qd2 Re8 12.Kh1 Qb6 13.h3 Rac8 14.Nd1 c4 15.Be3 Nc5 16.Rb1 Nfd7 17.b4 cxb3 18.cxb3 Qc7 19.Bd4 Ne5 20.Nxe5 dxe5 21.Bc3 Red8 22.Re3 Bh6 23.f4 exf4 24.gxf4 Bxf4 25.Ba5 Bxe3 26.Nxe3 Rxd3 27.Qxd3 Nxd3 28.Bxc7 Rxc7 29.Kh2 Nf4 30.Bf1 Bxe4 31.Rd1 Rc3 32.Ng4 Rc2+ 33.Kg3 Ne2+ 34.Kh4 Bf3 35.Ne5 Bh5 36.Rd8+ Kg7 37.Ra8 Nd4 38.Rxa6 Nf5+ 39.Kg5 Rf2 40.Nxf7 Kxf7 0-1

(17) Christensen, Wayne (2028) – Jones, Craig (2235) [E14]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (4.1), 14.03.2010

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 Bb4+ 4.Nbd2 b6 5.a3 Bxd2+ 6.Qxd2 Bb7 7.e3 0-0 8.Bd3 d6 9.Qc2 Nbd7 10.0-0 Bxf3 11.gxf3 h6 12.b3 Nh5 13.Bb2 f5 14.f4 Ndf6 15.Be2 Ng4 16.h3 Ngf6 17.d5 Qe8 18.dxe6 Qxe6 19.Kh2 g6 20.Rg1 Kh7 21.Rg2 Rae8 22.Bf3 Rg8 23.Rag1 Qe7 24.Qd1 Qf7 25.Qd4 Qe6 ½-½

(18) Pupols, Viktors (2247) – Bereolos, Peter (2325) [E96]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (4.1), 14.03.2010

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Be2 0-0 6.Nf3 e5 7.0-0 Nbd7 8.Re1 c6 9.Rb1 a5
10.Bf1 exd4 11.Nxd4 Nc5 12.f3 Nfd7 13.Bf4 Ne5 14.Qd2 Ne6 15.Nxe6 Bxe6 16.b3 Qc7
17.Rbd1 Rfd8 18.Qc1 Rd7 19.Na4 b6 20.Nc3 Qd8 21.Bg5 f6 22.Be3 Rb8 23.Ne2 Bf7
24.Nd4 Rc7 25.Rd2 Bf8 26.Qd1 Qc8 27.Qe2 d5 28.cxd5 Bb4 29.d6 Bxd2 30.Bxd2 Rd7
31.f4 Rxd6 32.fxe5 Rxd4 33.exf6 Qf8 34.Bc3 Rd7 35.Qe3 Qc5 36.Qxc5 bxc5 37.e5 Be6
38.Re4 Rd1 39.Kf2 Rc1 40.Bc4 Kf7 41.Bxe6+ Kxe6 42.Rc4 Kd5 43.e6 Kxe6 44.Re4+
Kd5 45.Re5+ Kd6 46.Re3 Rc2+ 47.Kg3 Rb7 48.a4 Rf7 49.Rd3+ Ke6 50.Re3+ Kd5
51.Rd3+ Ke4 52.Rf3 g5 53.Bxa5 h5 54.h3 c4 55.Bd8 c3 56.Be7 h4+ 57.Kh2 Kd4 58.a5
Ra2 59.b4 c2 60.Bc5+ Kc4 0-1

(19) Corbett III, Claude R (1914) – Lauria, Michael D (2001) [B22]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (4.1), 14.03.2010

1.e4 c5 2.c3 Nf6 3.e5 Nd5 4.d4 cxd4 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bc4 Nb6 7.Bb3 dxc3 8.Nxc3 d6
9.exd6 exd6 10.0-0 Be7 11.Be3 0-0 12.Bxb6 Qxb6 13.Nd5 Qd8 14.Re1 Bg4 15.Qd3 Bf6
16.Ba4 g6 17.h3 Bf5 18.Qb5 Rb8 19.Qe2 Bg7 20.Bxc6 bxc6 21.Ne7+ Kh8 22.Nxc6 Qd7
23.Nxb8 Rxb8 24.Qe7 Qxe7 25.Rxe7 Bxb2 26.Rae1 Kg7 27.Rxa7 h6 28.Ree7 Rf8
29.a4 d5 30.a5 d4 31.a6 d3 32.Rac7 Bf6 33.Re1 Ra8 34.a7 h5 35.Nd2 Bg5 36.Nc4 d2
37.Nxd2 Bxd2 38.Ree7 Bf4 39.Rxf7+ Kh6 40.Rh7+ Kg5 41.Rc4 h4 ½-½

(20) Harris, Neal D (2200) – Pupols, Viktors (2247) [C58]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (1.2), 15.03.2010

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Nf6 4.Ng5 d5 5.exd5 Na5 6.Bb5+ c6 7.dxc6 bxc6 8.Bd3 h6
9.Ne4 Nd5 10.Ng3 Bd6 11.0-0 0-0 12.Bf5 Ne7 13.Bxc8 Rxc8 14.d3 f5 15.Nc3 Nb7 16.f4
exf4 17.Bxf4 Qb6+ 18.Kh1 Bxf4 19.Rxf4 Qxb2 20.Qe1 Rce8 21.Qe6+ Kh7 22.Rb1 Qxc3
23.Ne2 Qa5 24.Rxb7 Qe1+ 25.Rf1 Qxf1+ 26.Ng1 Ng6 27.Qd7 Re7 0-1

(21) Pohl, Klaus A (2206) – Williams, Justus D (2075) [B21]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (1.2), 15.03.2010

1.e4 c5 2.d3 e6 3.f4 Ne7 4.Nf3 d5 5.Be2 g6 6.0-0 Bg7 7.Nc3 Nbc6 8.Bd2 b6 9.Qe1
Bb7 10.a3 Nd4 11.Nxd4 cxd4 12.Nd1 dxe4 13.dxe4 Bxe4 14.Bb5+ Bc6 15.Bxc6+ Nxc6
16.f5 gxf5 17.Rxf5 Ne7 18.Rf3 Ng6 19.Nf2 Qd7 20.Ne4 f5 21.Rxf5 0-0-0 22.Rf1 Rdf8
23.Qe2 d3 24.cxd3 Bxb2 25.Rab1 Rxf1+ 26.Rxf1 Ne5 27.Bb4 Qd4+ 28.Kh1 Nxd3
29.Nd6+ Kb8 30.Nb5 Qc4 31.Bd6+ Ka8 32.Qf3+ Qd5 33.Nc7+ Kb7 34.Nxd5 1-0

(22) Pupols, Viktors (2247) – Pohl, Klaus A (2206) [B06]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (2.2), 16.03.2010

1.d4 d6 2.g3 Nf6 3.Bg2 g6 4.e4 Nbd7 5.Ne2 Bg7 6.0-0 0-0 7.c3 c6 8.h3 e5 9.Be3 Qe7
10.Nd2 Re8 11.Qc2 b6 12.dxe5 dxe5 13.Rfd1 Ba6 14.Nf1 Nc5 15.b4 Ncxe4 16.b5 cxb5
17.Bxe4 Nxe4 18.Qxe4 Bb7 19.Qg4 h5 20.Qd7 Bf3 21.Qxe7 Rxe7 22.Rd2 Rc8 23.Rad1
Ree8 24.Nh2 Bc6 25.f3 Bf8 26.Kf2 f6 27.Ng1 Be7 28.Ne2 Kf7 29.f4 Ke6 30.Nf3 Rf8
31.g4 hxg4 32.hxg4 Rh8 33.Neg1 Bxf3 34.Nxf3 e4 35.Nd4+ Kf7 36.Nxb5 Rh2+ 37.Kg3
Rxd2 38.Bxd2 f5 39.Rh1 a6 40.Nd4 Bf6 41.gxf5 Bxd4 42.fxg6+ Kxg6 43.cxd4 Rc2
44.Be3 Rxa2 45.f5+ Kxf5 46.Rh5+ Ke6 47.Rh6+ Kd5 48.Rxb6 Ra1 49.Rb8 Rf1 50.Bf2
Kc4 51.Rb2 Kd3 52.Rb3+ Kc4 53.Ra3 Kb5 54.Re3 a5 55.Rxe4 a4 56.d5 a3 57.Re1
Rxe1 58.Bxe1 Kc4 59.d6 a2 60.d7 a1Q 61.d8Q Qxe1+ 62.Kg2 Qe4+ ½-½

(23) Williams, Justus D (2075) – Harris, Neal D (2200)

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (2.2), 16.03.2010

0-1

(24) Dana, Maurice (2200) – Pupols, Viktors (2247) [A07]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (3.2), 17.03.2010

1.Nf3 d5 2.g3 Nf6 3.Bg2 c6 4.0-0 Bf5 5.d3 e6 6.Nh4 Bg4 7.h3 Bh5 8.Qe1 Be7 9.f4 Nfd7
10.Nf3 f5 11.e4 0-0 12.Kh2 Nc5 13.Nbd2 Nba6 14.a3 Qc7 15.b4 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 Na4
17.Nb3 dxe4 18.dxe4 fxe4 19.Qxe4 Bf6 20.Be3 Rae8 21.Bd4 e5 22.fxe5 Bxe5 23.Bxe5
Qxe5 24.Qc4+ Qe6 25.Qd3 Nb2 26.Qd4 Qc4 27.Qxa7 Qxc2+ 28.Bg2 Qxb3 29.Qxb7
Nb8 30.a4 Nc4 31.Rxf8+ Rxf8 32.Rf1 Rxf1 33.Bxf1 Qb2+ 34.Kh1 Ne5 35.Qxb8+ Kf7
36.Bc4+ Nxc4 37.Qf4+ Ke7 38.Qxc4 Qa1+ 39.Kg2 Qxa4 40.Qc5+ Ke6 ½-½

(25) Pohl, Klaus A (2206) – Harris, Neal D (2200) [D77]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (3.2), 17.03.2010

1.g3 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Bg2 g6 4.0-0 Bg7 5.d4 0-0 6.c4 dxc4 7.Nc3 Nc6 8.Bf4 Nh5 9.Be3
a6 10.Qa4 Nf6 11.Qxc4 Be6 12.Qd3 Nd5 13.Nxd5 Bxd5 14.a3 Rb8 15.Rac1 e6 16.Bg5
Bf6 17.Bxf6 Qxf6 18.e4 Rbd8 19.exd5 Rxd5 20.Rxc6 bxc6 21.Qxa6 c5 22.dxc5 Qxb2
23.Ne1 Rd1 24.Nd3 Rxf1+ 25.Bxf1 Qd4 26.Qb5 Ra8 27.Qb4 Qa1 28.Qf4 Rxa3 29.Ne5
f5 30.Kg2 Ra5 31.Nd7 Ra2 32.Bc4 Ra7 33.Qe3 1-0

(26) Lyda, Nathaniel (1851) – Williams, Justus D (2075) [B43]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (3.2), 17.03.2010

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 a6 5.Nc3 Qc7 6.Be3 b5 7.Qd2 Nf6 8.f3 Bb4 9.Nde2
Nc6 10.a3 Be7 11.Nf4 0-0 12.Bd3 b4 13.axb4 Bxb4 14.0-0 d5 15.exd5 exd5 16.Nfe2
Re8 17.Kh1 Qe7 18.Bd4 Nxd4 19.Nxd4 Qb7 20.Rfe1 Rxe1+ 21.Rxe1 Bd7 22.Bf5 a5
23.Qd3 Rc8 24.Bxd7 Qxd7 25.Ndb5 h6 26.Rd1 Rc6 27.Ne2 Rb6 28.Nbd4 a4 29.b3
axb3 30.Nxb3 Bd6 31.Ra1 Rb8 32.Nbd4 Qc7 33.g3 Qd7 34.Nf5 Bf8 35.Ra6 Ne8
36.Kg2 Nc7 37.Ra1 Re8 38.Nfd4 g6 39.c3 h5 40.Ra7 Bc5 41.Rb7 Qc8 42.Rb2 Na8
43.Nf4 Nb6 44.Re2 ½-½

(27) Pohl, Klaus A (2206) – Dana, Maurice (2200) [C88]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (4.2), 18.03.2010

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 0-0 8.a4 Bb7 9.c3 d5 10.exd5 Nxd5 11.Nxe5 Nxe5 12.Rxe5 Nf4 13.d4 Nxg2 14.Qg4 Nh4 15.d5 Bf6 16.Rh5 Qe7 17.Be3 g6 18.Nd2 Bc8 19.Qg3 Nf5 20.Qg2 Nxe3 21.fxe3 Kh8 22.Rh3 Bxh3 23.Qxh3 b4 24.Rc1 bxc3 25.bxc3 Rab8 26.Qf3 Bg5 27.Re1 f5 28.Bc4 Rb2 29.Nf1 f4 30.e4 Qc5+ 31.Kh1 Qxc4 32.e5 Qc5 33.c4 Bh4 34.Rd1 Qxc4 35.Nd2 Qb4 36.Qd3 f3 37.Nc4 Ra2 38.d6 Qb7 39.Ne3 f2+ 0-1

(28) Williams, Justus D (2075) – Pupols, Viktors (2247) [E05]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (4.2), 18.03.2010

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.g3 d5 4.Bg2 Nbd7 5.d4 dxc4 6.0-0 Be7 7.Nbd2 Nb6 8.Qc2 c5 9.dxc5 Bxc5 10.Nxc4 Nxc4 11.Qxc4 Qb6 12.Ne5 0-0 13.Bg5 Nd7 14.Nd3 h6 15.Bd2 Be7 16.Be3 Qa5 17.Rfd1 Rb8 18.a4 Ra8 19.b4 Qf5 20.Be4 Qf6 21.a5 a6 22.f4 e5 23.Rf1 exf4 24.Bxf4 Bd6 25.Rad1 Bxf4 26.Nxf4 Ne5 27.Qb3 Qg5 28.h4 Qg4 29.Bg2 Be6 30.Qc3 Qf5 31.Nd3 Rac8 32.Qxe5 Qg4 33.Bf3 Qc4 34.Rc1 Qa2 35.Nc5 Bh3 36.Rfd1 Rce8 37.Qa1 Rxe2 38.Qxa2 Rxa2 39.Bd5 Ra3 40.Rd3 Rxd3 41.Nxd3 Rd8 42.Nf4 g5 43.hxg5 hxg5 44.Bxf7+ Kxf7 45.Nxh3 Kf6 46.Rc7 Rb8 47.Rc5 Rd8 48.Rc7 Rb8 49.g4 Ke5 50.Rc5+ Kd4 51.Rxg5 Kc4 52.Nf2 Kxb4 53.Nd3+ Kc4 54.Ne5+ Kd4 55.Kg2 Ke4 56.Kg3 Rd8 57.Nc4 Rd1 58.Re5+ Kd4 59.Rd5+ 1-0

(29) Jones, Craig (2235) – Pohl, Klaus A (2206) [A27]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (5), 19.03.2010

1.Nf3 g6 2.c4 Bg7 3.Nc3 e5 4.d4 exd4 5.Nxd4 Nc6 6.Nxc6 bxc6 7.e4 d6 8.Be3 Nf6 9.Be2 0-0 10.0-0 Re8 11.Rc1 Bd7 12.Qd3 Qe7 13.f3 Be6 14.b4 Nd7 15.f4 f5 16.Bf3 Rab8 17.b5 Nb6 18.Bxb6 axb6 19.bxc6 Ra8 20.Rfe1 Qf7 21.exf5 Bxf5 22.Qd2 Bxc3 23.Qxc3 Qg7 24.Bd5+ Kf8 25.Qd2 Qf6 26.g3 Rxe1+ 27.Rxe1 Re8 28.Rxe8+ Kxe8 29.Kg2 Kf8 30.h3 h5 31.Qe2 Bc8 32.h4 Bf5 33.Be4 Qe6 34.Bd3 Ke7 35.Kf2 Qxe2+ 36.Bxe2 Kf6 37.a3 Be4 38.Bf3 Kf5 39.Ke3 Bc2 40.Kd4 Bb1 41.Ke3 Bc2 42.Be2 Bb1 43.Bd1 Be4 44.g4+ hxg4 45.Bxg4+ Kxg4 46.Kxe4 Kxh4 47.Kd5 Kg4 48.Ke6 Kxf4 49.Kd7 g5 50.Kxc7 g4 51.Kxd6 g3 52.c7 g2 53.c8Q g1Q 54.Qc6 Qe3 55.a4 Qe5+ 56.Kd7 Qa5 57.Kc8 Ke3 58.Kb7 Kf4 59.Qd6+ Kg4 60.Qd7+ Kf4 61.Qb5 Qc3 62.Kxb6 Qf6+ 63.Qc6 Qb2+ 64.Ka6 Qb8 65.a5 Qb4 66.Qc7+ Kf5 67.c5 Qc4+ 68.Ka7 Qb5 69.a6 Kg5 70.c6 Qc5+ 71.Qb6 Qd5 72.c7 1-0

(30) Williams, Justus D (2075) – Mabe, Chris J (2281) [D78]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (5), 19.03.2010

1.Nf3 d5 2.c4 c6 3.g3 Nf6 4.Bg2 g6 5.d4 Bg7 6.0-0 0-0 7.Nc3 Nbd7 8.a3 dxc4 9.Bf4 Nd5 10.e4 Nxf4 11.gxf4 Qc7 12.Qc1 Nf6 13.Ne5 Nh5 14.Ne2 Bh6 15.Bf3 Bh3 16.Bxh5 gxh5 17.Qxc4 Qd6 18.Rfd1 Be6 19.d5 cxd5 20.exd5 Bg4 21.Nxg4 hxg4 22.f5 Kh8 23.Ng3 Bf4 24.Re1 Be5 25.Qe2 Bf6 26.Rad1 Qb6 27.Nh5 Bh4 28.Qe5+ f6 29.Qd4 Qc7 30.Nf4 Qc2 31.Nd3 Rfd8 32.Rc1 Qb3 33.Nb4 a5 34.Rc3 Qa4 35.Rxe7 Re8 36.Rxe8+ Rxe8 37.Nc2 Qd7 38.Ne3 Bg5 39.b4 Re5 40.bxa5 Bxe3 41.Rxe3 Qxd5 42.Qxg4 Qxa5 43.Rxe5 Qxe5 44.Qb4 Kg8 45.Qxb7 Qa1+ 46.Kg2 Qxa3 47.Qb8+ Kf7 48.Qh8 h6 49.Qh7+ Ke8 50.Qg8+ Qf8 51.Qxf8+ Kxf8 52.Kg3 Ke7 53.Kg4 Kf7 54.Kh5 Kg7 55.h4 Kh7 56.Kg4 Kg7 57.Kf4 Kf7 58.Ke4 Ke7 59.Kd5 Kd7 60.h5 1-0

(31) Dana, Maurice (2200) – Christensen, Wayne (2028) [B33]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (5), 19.03.2010

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e5 6.Nxc6 bxc6 7.Bd3 Be7 8.0-0 0-0 9.a4 d5 10.a5 Be6 11.Kh1 Rb8 12.Qe2 Nd7 13.f4 f6 14.f5 Bf7 15.Qg4 Kh8 16.Rf3 Rg8 17.Rh3 Nf8 18.Qh4 Rb4 19.Qf2 Qd7 20.b3 g6 21.Ba3 Rb8 22.Bc5 Bxc5 23.Qxc5 gxf5 24.exd5 Bxd5 25.Nxd5 cxd5 26.Rd1 Ne6 27.Qf2 Nf4 28.Rg3 Rxd3 29.hxg3 Nxd3 30.Rxd3 Rg8 31.Qc5 d4 32.Qb4 Qc7 33.Qd2 Rc8 34.Qh6 Qg7 35.Qd2 Qg5 36.Qb4 Qc1+ 37.Kh2 Qxc2 38.Qe7 Qc6 39.Qxa7 Ra8 40.Qf7 Qd6 41.b4 e4 42.Rb3 d3 43.Rb1 e3 44.b5 d2 45.Qh5 Qe5 46.Qe2 Rg8 47.b6 Qxg3+ 48.Kg1 f4 49.Rf1 f3 50.Rxf3 d1Q+ 51.Qxd1 Qxg2# 0-1

(32) Simpson, Ronald (2302) – Xin, Samuel L (2001) [D78]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (5), 19.03.2010

1.Nf3 d5 2.c4 c6 3.g3 Nf6 4.Bg2 g6 5.0-0 Bg7 6.d4 0-0 7.b3 Bf5 8.Nbd2 Qb6 9.Bb2 Nbd7 10.Nh4 Be6 11.Qc2 Rac8 12.e4 dxe4 13.Nxe4 Nxe4 14.Qxe4 Bxc4 15.bxc4 Qxb2 16.Qxe7 Nb6 17.d5 cxd5 18.cxd5 Qxa1 19.Rxa1 Bxa1 20.Qg5 Bg7 21.Qd2 Rfd8 22.Bf3 Nc4 23.Qd1 Ne5 24.Be4 Rc4 25.Qe2 b5 26.Nf3 Nxf3+ 27.Bxf3 a6 28.Qe7 Rdc8 29.Qb7 Rc2 30.Be4 R8c7 31.Qxa6 Re2 32.d6 Rc1+ 33.Kg2 Rxe4 34.Qa8+ Bf8 35.Qxe4 Bxd6 36.Qe8+ Kg7 37.Qxb5 Rd1 38.Qb3 Re1 1-0

(33) Myers, Dominique (2052) – Lauria, Michael D (2001) [B33]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (5), 19.03.2010

1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e5 6.Ndb5 d6 7.Bg5 a6 8.Na3 b5 9.Bxf6 gxf6 10.Nd5 f5 11.Nxb5 axb5 12.Bxb5 Bd7 13.exf5 Rc8 14.Qg4 Qa5+ 15.Nc3 Nd4 16.Bxd7+ Kxd7 17.0-0 h5 18.Qh3 f6 19.Ne4 Be7 20.Rad1 Rxc2 21.Rfe1 Rxb2 22.Qd3 h4 23.Rc1 d5 24.Ng5 Qd2 25.Qe3 Qxe3 26.Rxe3 Ne2+ 27.Rxe2 Rxe2 28.Ne6 Bd6 29.h3 e4 30.Ng7 d4 31.a4 d3 0-1

(34) Jones, Craig (2235) – Williams, Justus D (2075) [A04]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (6), 20.03.2010

1.Nf3 c5 2.b3 e6 3.Bb2 b6 4.g3 Bb7 5.Bg2 d6 6.0-0 Nf6 7.d3 Nbd7 8.Nbd2 Qc7 9.e4 Be7 10.Qe2 h6 11.Rae1 e5 12.Nh4 g6 13.f4 0-0-0 14.fxe5 dxe5 15.Rf2 Nh5 16.Nf5 Bg5 17.Nc4 gxf5 18.Qxh5 f4 19.gxf4 Bxf4 20.Rxf4 exf4 21.Bxh8 Rxh8 22.Qxf7 Rf8 23.Qe7 Bc6 24.Bh3 Rg8+ 25.Kf2 b5 26.Ne5 c4 27.Qe6 Qb6+ 28.Kf3 Kc7 29.Nxd7 Bxd7 30.Qxd7+ Kb8 31.bxc4 bxc4 32.Qe6 1-0

(35) Christensen, Wayne (2028) – Bereolos, Peter (2325) [E68]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (6), 20.03.2010

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.g3 Bg7 4.Bg2 0-0 5.Nf3 d6 6.0-0 Nbd7 7.Nc3 e5 8.e4 exd4 9.Nxd4 Re8 10.b3 a6 11.Bb2 Rb8 12.Qc2 c5 13.Nde2 b5 14.cxb5 axb5 15.Rad1 b4 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.Rxd5 Bxb2 18.Qxb2 Nf6 19.Rd2 Nxe4 20.Bxe4 Rxe4 21.Nf4 Bb7 22.f3 Re3 23.Nd5 Bxd5 24.Rxd5 Qe7 25.Rf2 Re8 26.Qd2 Re1+ 27.Kg2 Re2 28.Qd3 Rxf2+ 29.Kxf2 Qe1+ 30.Kg2 Re2+ 31.Kh3 Qf1+ 32.Kg4 Kg7 33.Rxd6 f5+ 34.Kh4 Rxh2+ 35.Kg5 Qc1+ 0-1

(36) Pupols, Viktors (2247) – Simpson, Ronald (2302) [E98]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (6), 20.03.2010

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Nf3 0-0 6.Be2 e5 7.0-0 Nc6 8.d5 Ne7 9.Ne1 Ne8
10.f3 f5 11.g4 Qd7 12.Nd3 Nf6 13.h3 Rf7 14.Be3 fxg4 15.fxg4 h5 16.Nf2 hxg4 17.hxg4
g5 18.Bxg5 Ng6 19.Qd2 Qe8 20.Nd3 Bxg4 21.Bxg4 Nxg4 22.Qg2 Nf6 23.Rf5 Qe7
24.Raf1 Raf8 25.R1f2 Qe8 26.Qf1 Nh5 27.Rxf7 Rxf7 28.Rxf7 Qxf7 29.Qxf7+ Kxf7
30.Nb5 Bf6 31.Be3 Ng3 32.Nf2 Bd8 33.Nxa7 Nh4 34.Nb5 Ke8 35.Nc3 Kd7 36.Nfd1 Ng6
37.Kf2 Nh5 38.Kf3 Nhf4 39.Kg4 Ng2 40.Bf2 N2f4 41.Kf3 Nh4+ 42.Kg4 Nhg6 43.b3 Be7
44.Be3 Bd8 45.Nf2 Be7 46.Nh3 Nxh3 47.Kxh3 Bh4 48.Kg4 Be1 49.Ne2 Ne7 50.Nc1 c6
51.Nd3 Ba5 52.Bg5 cxd5 53.exd5 Bb6 54.Bxe7 Kxe7 55.Kf5 Bd4 56.Ke4 b6 57.Nb4
Kd7 58.Nc2 Bf2 59.Ne3 Be1 60.Ng4 Bc3 61.Kf5 Ke7 62.Nf2 Bd2 63.Ne4 Be3 64.Kg4
Bd4 65.Kf3 Bg1 66.Ke2 Kd7 67.Kd3 Kc7 68.b4 Bd4 69.Kc2 Bg1 70.Kb3 Bd4 71.Ka4
Be3 72.Kb5 Bd4 73.a4 Bg1 74.a5 bxa5 75.Kxa5 Bd4 76.Kb5 Kd7 77.c5 dxc5 78.bxc5
Bb2 79.c6+ Kc8 80.d6 Bd4 81.Kc4 Bb2 82.Kd5 Ba1 83.Ng5 1-0

(37) Pohl, Klaus A (2206) – Mabe, Chris J (2281) [B35]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (6), 20.03.2010

1.e4 c5 2.Bc4 Nc6 3.Nf3 g6 4.0-0 d6 5.d4 cxd4 6.Nxd4 Bg7 7.Be3 Nf6 8.Nc3 Ng4
9.Nxc6 bxc6 10.Bf4 0-0 11.h3 Ne5 12.Be2 Be6 13.Qd2 Re8 14.b3 Nd7 15.Be3 Qa5
16.Bd4 Ne5 17.Rad1 c5 18.Bxe5 Bxe5 19.Nd5 Qd8 20.Kh1 Bg7 21.f4 Qd7 22.Bf3 Rac8
23.c4 f5 24.Qd3 Bd4 25.exf5 Bxf5 26.Be4 a5 27.g4 Bxe4+ 28.Qxe4 Rb8 29.Rfe1 a4
30.b4 e6 31.Qxd4 exd5 32.Qxd5+ Kg7 33.bxc5 Rb2 34.cxd6 1-0

(38) Burnett, Ronald (2408) – Dana, Maurice (2200) [E76]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (6), 20.03.2010

1.c4 g6 2.Nc3 Bg7 3.e4 d6 4.d4 Nf6 5.f4 0-0 6.Nf3 Bg4 7.Be2 Nc6 8.d5 Bxf3 9.Bxf3
Na5 10.Qd3 c6 11.Rb1 cxd5 12.exd5 Rc8 13.b3 Nd7 14.Be3 e5 15.dxe6 fxe6 16.Nb5
Nc5 17.Qd2 e5 18.Nxd6 exf4 19.Qd5+ Kh8 20.Bxc5 Rxc5 21.Nf7+ Kg8 1-0

(39) Xin, Samuel L (2001) – Myers, Dominique (2052) [C56]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (6), 20.03.2010

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Nf6 4.d4 exd4 5.e5 d5 6.Bb5 Ne4 7.Nxd4 Bc5 8.Be3 0-0
9.Bxc6 bxc6 10.0-0 Ba6 11.Re1 Re8 12.Nxc6 Bxe3 13.Rxe3 Qh4 14.Qe1 Re6 15.Nd4
Rg6 16.Nf5 Qg5 17.Ng3 Qxe5 18.Nxe4 dxe4 19.Rxe4 Qb5 20.Nc3 Qc6 21.Nd5 Rxg2+
22.Kxg2 Qxd5 23.f3 Qc6 24.Qc3 Qxc3 25.bxc3 Kf8 26.Rd1 Bb5 27.Rb1 Bd7 28.Rd4
Ke7 29.Rb7 Kd8 30.Rc4 Rc8 31.Rxa7 c5 32.Re4 Rc6 33.Re1 Rd6 34.Kf2 g6 35.Re3
Bf5 36.Rxf7 Ra6 37.Ree7 Rxa2 38.Rb7 Rxc2+ 39.Kg3 Kc8 40.Rbe7 Rd2 41.Re8+ Rd8
42.Rxd8+ Kxd8 43.Rxh7 c4 44.Rg7 Ke8 1-0

(40) Lauria, Michael D (2001) – Oody, Kyle (1885) [B14]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (6), 20.03.2010

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.c4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e6 6.Bg5 Be7 7.Nf3 0-0 8.Bd3 dxc4 9.Bxc4 Qc7 10.Qe2 Nc6 11.0-0 a6 12.Rfd1 b5 13.Bb3 Bb7 14.d5 exd5 15.Nxd5 Nxd5 16.Rxd5 Rfe8 17.Re1 Na5 18.Re5 Nxb3 19.axb3 Bxf3 20.Qxf3 Rac8 21.Qg4 h5 22.Qxh5 Qxe5 23.Rxe5 f6 24.Re1 fxg5 25.g3 Kf8 26.Qg6 Red8 27.Qxa6 b4 28.Re2 Rc1+ 29.Kg2 Rcd1 30.Qe6 R8d7 31.Qf5+ Kg8 32.Rc2 Rd8 33.Rc7 Bf6 34.Qe6+ Kh8 35.Rc5 R1d2 36.Rf5 R8d6 37.Qe8+ Kh7 38.h4 Kh6 39.h5 Kh7 40.Qg6+ Kg8 41.h6 Bxb2 42.h7+ 1-0

(41) Pupols, Viktors (2247) – Jones, Craig (2235) [D32]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (7), 20.03.2010

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 c5 4.cxd5 cxd4 5.Qxd4 Nc6 6.Qd1 exd5 7.Qxd5 Be6 8.Qxd8+ Rxd8 9.e3 Nb4 10.Bb5+ Ke7 11.Kf1 a6 12.Be2 Nf6 13.Nf3 Nc2 14.Rb1 h6 15.Ne1 Bf5 16.Nxc2 Bxc2 17.Ra1 Ke8 18.f3 Bb4 19.Kf2 Ke7 20.e4 Rc8 21.e5 Bxc3 22.bxc3 Nd7 23.Ba3+ Ke6 24.f4 Rxc3 25.Bb2 Rc7 26.Rac1 Rhc8 27.Rhe1 g5 28.g3 gxf4 29.gxf4 Bf5 30.Rxc7 Rxc7 31.Rc1 Rxc1 32.Bxc1 b5 33.a4 bxa4 34.Bc4+ Ke7 35.Ba3+ Ke8 36.Bxa6 f6 ½-½

(42) Bereolos, Peter (2325) – Pohl, Klaus A (2206) [C41]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (7), 20.03.2010

1.d4 d6 2.e4 Nf6 3.Nc3 Nbd7 4.Nf3 e5 5.Bc4 Be7 6.0-0 0-0 7.a4 c6 8.Ba2 b6 9.Re1 Bb7 10.Nh4 exd4 11.Qxd4 g6 12.Bh6 Re8 13.Nf3 Bf8 14.Bxf8 Nxf8 15.Rad1 c5 16.Qxd6 Qxd6 17.Rxd6 Nxe4 18.Nxe4 Rxe4 19.Bxf7+ Kg7 20.Rxe4 Bxe4 21.Bd5 Re8 22.Bxe4 Rxe4 23.b3 Re2 24.Rd2 Re7 25.Kf1 Ne6 26.g3 Kf6 27.c3 Rb7 28.Rd6 Re7 29.Nd2 Kg7 30.f4 Nf8 31.Kf2 Ne6 32.Nf3 Nf8 33.Ng5 Kg8 34.h3 Kg7 35.g4 h6 36.Nf3 Re4 37.a5 Rxf4 38.axb6 axb6 39.Rxb6 Rf7 40.Kg3 Re7 41.Rc6 Rb7 42.Nd2 Rd7 43.Ne4 Rd3+ 44.Kf2 Rxh3 45.Rc7+ Kg8 46.Rxc5 Ne6 47.Rc6 Kf7 48.b4 Rh2+ 49.Kg3 Rb2 50.b5 Ke7 51.Rb6 g5 52.Kf3 Rb1 53.Nd6 Rc1 54.Nf5+ Kd7 55.Rd6+ Kc7 56.Rxe6 Rxc3+ 57.Ne3 Rb3 58.b6+ 1-0

(43) Williams, Justus D (2075) – Christensen, Wayne (2028) [A29]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (7), 20.03.2010

1.Nf3 Nc6 2.c4 e5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.g3 d5 5.cxd5 Nxd5 6.Bg2 Nb6 7.0-0 Be7 8.d3 0-0 9.a3 Be6 10.Na4 Rb8 11.b4 Nd4 12.Nxd4 exd4 13.Bb2 Bd5 14.Bxd5 Qxd5 15.Rc1 c6 16.Nc5 Rfd8 17.Nb3 Bf6 18.Rc5 Qe6 19.Nd2 Qh3 20.e3 Nd5 21.exd4 Nc7 22.Ne4 Bxd4 23.Bxd4 Rxd4 24.Qf3 Qd7 25.Rg5 Ne8 26.Rd1 Rd8 27.Nc5 Qe7 28.Qe3 Qc7 29.Re5 Qc8 30.Rxe8+ 1-0

(44) Burnett, Ronald (2408) – Simpson, Ronald (2302) [B59]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (7), 20.03.2010

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Be2 e5 7.Nb3 Be7 8.Be3 0-0 9.g4 h6 10.h4 Nh7 11.Qd2 a5 12.a4 Be6 13.g5 hxg5 14.hxg5 Bxg5 15.0-0-0 Bxe3 16.fxe3 g6 17.Bc4 Bxc4 18.Qh2 Kg7 19.Qxh7+ Kf6 20.Nd2 Be6 21.Nd5+ Bxd5 22.exd5 Nb4 23.Rhg1 Ke7 24.Rxg6 Qc7 25.c3 Nxd5 26.Ne4 Rh8 27.Qg7 Rag8 28.Nf6 Rxg7 29.Nxd5+ Kf8 30.Rxg7 Qc6 31.Rg4 f5 32.Rg5 Qxa4 33.Rxf5+ Ke8 34.Rf2 Rh1 35.Rxh1 Qa1+ 36.Kc2 Qxh1 37.Rd2 Kd7 38.c4 Qf1 39.b3 b5 40.cxb5 Qxb5 41.Nc3 Qc5 42.e4 Ke6 43.Rd5 Qf2+ 44.Rd2 Qb6 45.Nd5 Qc5+ 46.Nc3 Kf7 47.Rd5 Qf2+ 48.Kc1 Qb6 49.Kc2 ½-½

(45) Mabe, Chris J (2281) – Xin, Samuel L (2001) [C45]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (7), 20.03.2010

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Bc5 5.Nxc6 Qf6 6.Qf3 dxc6 7.Bc4 Qxf3 8.gxf3 Nf6 9.Rg1 0-0 10.Bh6 Ne8 11.Nd2 Be6 12.Bd3 Rd8 13.Ke2 f5 14.Nc4 fxe4 15.fxe4 Rxf2+ 16.Ke1 Rxh2 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Nxe3 Nd6 19.Nf1 Rh4 20.Ng3 Nf7 21.Rg2 Ne5 22.Ke2 Bg4+ 23.Ke3 Rf8 24.Kd4 Nf3+ 25.Kc3 Rh2 26.Rxh2 Nxh2 27.e5 Nf3 28.Bc4+ Kh8 29.Rf1 Re8 30.e6 b5 31.Bb3 h6 32.Ne4 Bxe6 33.Rxf3 Bxb3 34.cxb3 Rxe4 35.Kd3 Re6 36.Rf7 h5 37.Rxc7 h4 38.Rxa7 Kg8 39.Ra8+ Kh7 40.Rf8 g5 41.a4 bxa4 42.bxa4 h3 43.a5 Re1 44.Rf7+ Kg6 45.Rf2 g4 46.b4 g3 47.Rf3 g2 48.Rg3+ Kf5 0-1

(46) Dana, Maurice (2200) – Lauria, Michael D (2001) [B50]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (7), 20.03.2010

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 d6 4.g3 g6 5.Bg2 Bg7 6.0-0 Bg4 7.h3 Bd7 8.d3 Nf6 9.Nh4 Qb6 10.Kh2 Nd4 11.Ne2 Nc6 12.f4 h6 13.Nc3 0-0-0 14.Nf3 h5 15.e5 dxe5 16.Nxe5 Be6 17.Nxc6 bxc6 18.Qe2 Nd5 19.Ne4 c4 20.dxc4 Nc7 21.Ng5 Rd7 22.Be3 Qxb2 23.Rab1 Qxa2 24.Rb3 Rd6 25.Ne4 a5 26.Rfb1 Kd7 27.Nc5+ Kd8 28.Rb8+ Bc8 29.Nb7+ Kd7 30.Nxd6 exd6 31.R1b6 d5 32.cxd5 Nxd5 33.Rxc6 Kxc6 34.Qb5+ Kd6 35.Qc5+ Kd7 36.Bxd5 Qa4 37.Ra8 Bb7 38.Ra7 Rb8 39.Bxb7 Ke6 40.Bd5+ Kf5 41.Rxf7+ Bf6 42.Bg2+ Ke6 43.Qd5# 1-0

(47) Myers, Dominique (2052) – Thompson, James C (1844) [B61]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (7), 20.03.2010

1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Bg5 Bd7 7.Qd2 Rc8 8.Be2 Nxd4 9.Qxd4 Qa5 10.f4 h6 11.Bh4 a6 12.e5 Rxc3 13.bxc3 dxe5 14.fxe5 Nd5 15.0-0 e6 16.Kh1 Bc5 17.Qg4 0-0 18.Bd3 Ne3 19.Qe4 Nf5 20.Rf4 Bc6 21.Qe2 Qxc3 22.Raf1 Ne3 23.Rg4 Rc8 24.Bf6 Nxg4 25.Qxg4 Bf8 26.a4 Qb4 27.Rf4 Qe1+ 28.Rf1 Qb4 29.Qg3 Qd2 30.Bh4 g5 31.Rf2 Qe1+ 32.Bf1 Bg7 33.h3 gxh4 34.Qxh4 Qxe5 35.Qg4 Qg5 36.Qb4 Bf8 37.Qc4 Rd8 38.Bd3 Bd6 39.h4 Qg3 40.Kg1 Be5 41.Kf1 Bd4 42.Rd2 Qe3 43.Qb4 Qg1+ 44.Ke2 Bxg2 45.Bh7+ Kxh7 46.Kd3 Qf1+ 47.Re2 0-1

(48) Bereolos, Peter (2325) – Williams, Justus D (2075) [E06]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (8), 21.03.2010

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.g3 d5 4.Nf3 c6 5.Qc2 Be7 6.Bg2 0-0 7.0-0 Ne4 8.Ne5 f6 9.Nd3 Nd6
10.b3 Nf7 11.Bb2 f5 12.Nd2 g5 13.Nf3 Nd7 14.Rad1 Qe8 15.Nfe5 Nfxe5 16.dxe5 Nb6
17.e3 dxc4 18.bxc4 c5 19.Rc1 Qa4 20.Qb3 Rd8 21.Rfd1 Bd7 22.Ba3 Bc6 23.Nb2 Qa6
24.Bxc6 bxc6 25.Nd3 Kf7 ½-½

(49) Xin, Samuel L (2001) – Jones, Craig (2235) [B80]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (8), 21.03.2010

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.Nge2 e6 4.d4 cxd4 5.Nxd4 a6 6.Be3 Nf6 7.f3 Qc7 8.Qd2 d6
9.0-0-0 h5 10.Be2 Be7 11.Qe1 b5 12.h3 Bb7 13.g4 g6 14.g5 Nd7 15.f4 Rc8 16.Rd2 b4
17.Nd5 exd5 18.exd5 Na5 19.Bf3 Nc4 20.Re2 Nc5 21.Kb1 Na4 22.Qxb4 Ncxb2 23.Nb5
axb5 24.Bd4 0-0 25.Bxb2 Nxb2 26.Qxb2 Rfd8 0-1

(50) Burnett, Ronald (2408) – Pupols, Viktors (2247) [B07]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (8), 21.03.2010

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 Nbd7 4.g4 h6 5.Be3 e5 6.d5 Be7 7.h3 Nh7 8.Nf3 c5 9.Qd2 a6
10.a4 Ndf8 11.a5 Bg5 12.Nxg5 hxg5 13.Na4 Ng6 14.Nb6 Rb8 15.b4 Nh4 16.0-0-0 c4
17.Bxc4 0-0 18.Bd3 f6 19.c4 Rf7 20.Kb2 Nf8 21.Rc1 Nfg6 22.c5 Bd7 23.c6 Be8 24.cxb7
Rfxb7 25.Bxa6 Nf3 26.Qe2 Ra7 27.Rc8 1-0

(51) Pohl, Klaus A (2206) – Christensen, Wayne (2028) [B31]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (8), 21.03.2010

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 g6 4.0-0 Bg7 5.c3 Nf6 6.Re1 0-0 7.d4 d5 8.e5 Ne4 9.Bxc6
bxc6 10.Nbd2 Nxd2 11.Bxd2 Qb6 12.dxc5 Qxb2 13.Qa4 Qb7 14.Qh4 f6 15.e6 Qc7
16.Nd4 f5 17.Bf4 Bf6 18.Qg3 Qd8 19.Nxf5 Kh8 20.Nd4 Qe8 21.Bh6 Rg8 22.Bg5 Bxg5
23.Qxg5 Rb8 1-0

(52) Dana, Maurice (2200) – Simpson, Ronald (2302) [B25]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (8), 21.03.2010

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 d6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.g3 g6 5.Bg2 Bg7 6.0-0 Nc6 7.d3 0-0 8.h3 Rb8 9.a4 a6
10.Be3 b5 11.axb5 axb5 12.e5 dxe5 13.Bxc5 b4 14.Ne4 Nd5 15.Nfd2 Qc7 16.Ng5 Nf6
17.c3 h6 18.Nge4 Rd8 19.cxb4 Nd5 20.Qa4 Ncxb4 21.Rfc1 Bd7 22.Qb3 Bc6 23.Nc4
Na6 24.Qa3 Nxc5 25.Nxc5 Nb4 26.Bxc6 Qxc6 27.Na5 Qf3 28.d4 e4 29.Rc3 Nd3
30.Nxd3 Bxd4 31.Nc6 Qxg3+ 0-1

(53) Lauria, Michael D (2001) – Mabe, Chris J (2281) [B06]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (8), 21.03.2010

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nf3 d6 4.Be3 Nc6 5.Nc3 Bg4 6.Bb5 a6 7.Ba4 b5 8.Bb3 e6 9.Qd2 Bxf3 10.gxf3 Qf6 11.0-0-0 Qxf3 12.d5 Na5 13.dxe6 Nxb3+ 14.axb3 fxe6 15.Bf4 Qxf4 16.Qxf4 Bh6 17.Qxh6 Nxh6 18.f3 Rf8 19.Rhf1 Ke7 20.Ne2 e5 21.Rd3 b4 22.c4 Rf6 23.Rfd1 Nf7 24.h4 h5 25.Kd2 Nd8 26.Ke3 Ne6 27.Kf2 Rg8 28.Rh1 a5 29.Rh2 Nc5 30.Re3 a4 31.Rh1 Ra8 32.Ra1 Rff8 33.bxa4 Nxa4 34.b3 Nc5 35.Rxa8 Rxa8 36.f4 Ra3 37.fxe5 dxe5 38.Nc1 Ra1 39.Nd3 Ra2+ 40.Kg3 Nxd3 41.Rxd3 Rc2 42.Rd5 Rc3+ 43.Kg2 Ke6 44.Rc5 Rxb3 45.Rxc7 Kd6 46.Rg7 Re3 47.Rxg6+ Kc5 48.Re6 b3 49.Rxe5+ Kxc4 50.Kf2 Rd3 51.Re8 b2 52.Rc8+ Kb3 53.e5 b1Q 54.Rb8+ Kc2 55.Rxb1 Kxb1 56.e6 Rd6 57.Kf3 Rxe6 58.Kf4 Kc2 0-1

(54) Rankin, Tim (1842) – Myers, Dominique (2052) [A59]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (8), 21.03.2010

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 b5 4.cxb5 a6 5.bxa6 g6 6.Nc3 Bxa6 7.e4 Bxf1 8.Kxf1 d6 9.Nge2 Bg7 10.Bd2 Nbd7 11.f4 0-0 12.Qc2 Qb6 13.g3 Rfb8 14.Rb1 c4 15.Kg2 Nc5 16.Nc1 Ng4 17.Kf3 Nb3 18.Kxg4 Qf2 19.Nxb3 Qg2 20.Rhg1 h5+ 21.Kg5 Kh7 0-1

(55) Jones, Craig (2235) – Burnett, Ronald (2408) [A21]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (9), 21.03.2010

1.Nf3 g6 2.c4 Bg7 3.Nc3 d6 4.g3 e5 5.Bg2 f5 6.d3 Nf6 7.0-0 a5 8.Bg5 0-0 9.a3 h6 10.Bxf6 Bxf6 11.Rb1 Nd7 12.Nd2 c6 ½-½

(56) Simpson, Ronald (2302) – Bereolos, Peter (2325) [C30]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (9), 21.03.2010

1.e4 e5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.f4 Bc5 4.Nf3 d6 5.Bb5 Bd7 6.Bxc6 Bxc6 7.Qe2 Qe7 8.d3 Nf6 9.fxe5 dxe5 10.Be3 0-0-0 11.0-0-0 Bd4 12.Qe1 Bxe3+ ½-½

(57) Lauria, Michael D (2001) – Pohl, Klaus A (2206) [C41]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (9), 21.03.2010

1.e4 d6 2.d4 e5 3.Nf3 exd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Bg5 Bg7 7.Bc4 h6 8.Bh4 0-0 9.0-0 c6 10.f4 b5 11.Ndxb5 cxb5 12.Bd5 g5 13.Bxa8 gxh4 14.e5 Qb6+ 15.Kh1 dxe5 16.fxe5 Ng4 17.Qe2 Nxe5 18.Qxb5 Qxb5 19.Nxb5 Nbc6 20.Bxc6 Nxc6 21.c3 h3 22.Nd6 Be6 23.Rfd1 Rb8 24.b3 Ne7 25.gxh3 Bxc3 26.Rac1 Be5 27.Kg1 Bf4 28.Rc3 Nd5 29.Rc6 Nb4 30.Rc3 Rd8 31.a3 Bxd6 32.Rg3+ Kf8 33.axb4 Bc5+ 34.bxc5 Rxd1+ 35.Kf2 Rb1 36.b4 Rb2+ 0-1

(58) Williams, Justus D (2075) – Dana, Maurice (2200) [A38]

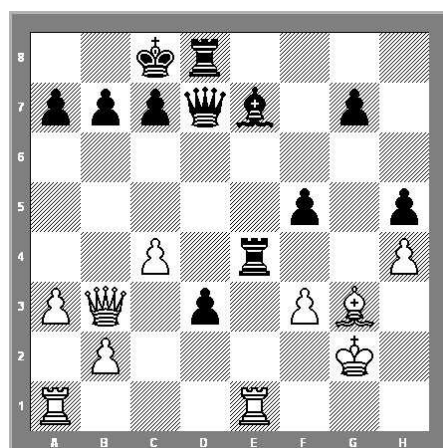
2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (9), 21.03.2010

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.g3 0-0 5.Bg2 d6 6.0-0 c5 7.a3 Nc6 8.d3 Bd7 9.h3 Nd4 10.e3 Nxf3+ 11.Qxf3 Bc6 12.e4 Ne8 13.g4 f5 14.gxf5 gxf5 15.Qg3 Kh8 16.Ne2 Rg8 17.Qh4 ½-½

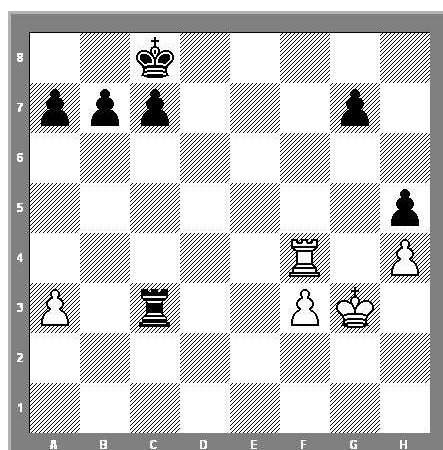
(59) Pupols, Viktors (2247) – Thompson, Reece E (1816) [D08]

2010 U.S. Masters Championship Hendersonville, NC (9), 21.03.2010

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e5 3.dxe5 d4 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.a3 Nge7 6.g3 Bg4 7.Bg2 Qd7 8.0-0 0-0-0 9.Qb3 Ng6 10.Nbd2 h5 11.h4 Re8 12.Rd1 Ngxe5 13.Ne4 d3 14.Bf4 Bxf3 15.exf3 Nd4 16.Qa2 Nxf3+ 17.Bxf3 Nxf3+ 18.Kg2 Nxh4+ 19.gxh4 Rxe4 20.Bg3 Be7 21.Qb3 Rd8 22.Re1 f5 23.f3 Re2+ 24.Rxe2 dxe2 25.Re1 Qd2 26.c5 Bxc5 27.Qe6+ Qd7 28.Qxe2 Qd2 29.Be5 Qh6 30.Bc3 Qg6+ 31.Kh3 f4 32.Qe6+ Qxe6+ 33.Rxe6 Bd4 34.Re4 Bxc3 35.bxc3 Rd3 36.Rxf4 Rxc3 37.Kg3 Rc1 38.Rf7 Rg1+ 39.Kf4 c5 40.Ke5 c4 41.Kd4 b5 42.Rxa7 Rd1+ 43.Kc3 Rd3+ 44.Kc2 Rxf3 45.Rxg7 Rxa3 46.Rg5 Rh3 47.Rxh5 b4 48.Rc5+ Kd7 49.Rxc4 b3+ ½-½



Pupols – Thompson after 23.f3



Pupols – Thompson after 37.Kg3

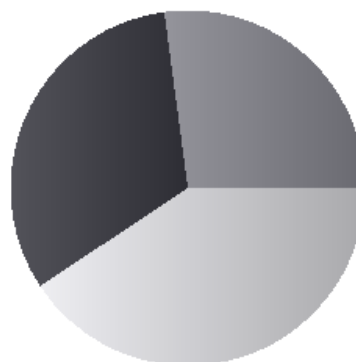
Index

- Bereolos, Peter, 2, 4, 5, 11, 15, 19, 23, 27, 29, 31, 33, 36, 38, 40, 41
Burnett, Ronald, 2, 4, 11, 15, 18, 19, 20, 23, 24, 27, 37, 39, 40, 41
Christensen, Wayne, 2, 4, 5, 7, 11, 14, 15, 19, 20, 23, 25, 27, 29, 31, 32, 36, 38, 40
Corbett III, Claude, 3, 4, 5, 33
Dana, Maurice, 2, 4, 9, 11, 14, 15, 18, 19, 22, 23, 25, 27, 34, 35, 36, 37, 39, 40, 41
Harris, Neal D, 2, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 29, 33, 34
High, David L, 3, 4, 5, 30
Jones, Craig W, 2, 3, 4, 5, 11, 15, 19, 23, 27, 30, 31, 32, 35, 36, 38, 40, 41
Lauria, Michael D, 2, 4, 5, 11, 15, 19, 22, 23, 26, 27, 30, 31, 32, 33, 36, 38, 39, 41
Lyda, Nathaniel, 3, 4, 9, 34
Mabe, Chris J, 2, 4, 5, 11, 12, 15, 17, 19, 21, 23, 26, 27, 29, 30, 32, 35, 37, 39, 41
Myers, Dominique, 2, 4, 5, 6, 11, 15, 19, 23, 27, 29, 30, 31, 36, 37, 39, 41
Oody, Kyle J, 3, 4, 15, 38
Pohl, Klaus A, 2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11, 15, 17, 19, 23, 25, 27, 30, 31, 33, 34, 35, 37, 38, 40, 41
Pupols, Viktors, 2, 4, 5, 6, 9, 11, 15, 16, 19, 23, 24, 27, 28, 29, 30, 32, 33, 34, 35, 37, 38, 40, 42
Rankin, Tim, 4, 23, 41
Simpson, Ronald, 2, 4, 5, 7, 9, 11, 15, 16, 19, 20, 23, 25, 27, 29, 31, 32, 36, 37, 39, 40, 41
Thompson, James C, 4, 19, 39
Thompson, Reece E, 4, 27, 42
Waddell, Bobby, 4, 5, 31
Williams, Justus D, 2, 3, 4, 9, 11, 12, 15, 19, 20, 23, 27, 28, 33, 34, 35, 36, 38, 40, 41
Xin, Samuel L, 2, 4, 5, 11, 15, 19, 21, 23, 27, 29, 31, 32, 36, 37, 39, 40



Total Games: 59

1-0:	24 games	= 41%	total: 54%
½-½:	16 games	= 27%	
0-1:	19 games	= 32%	total: 46%



White	- rated games: 59	Elo-Ø: 2158	Perform: =2182
Black	- rated games: 59	Elo-Ø: 2154	Perform: =2130

Cover art by Bethany Hyde