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

Club Championships get underway, Braeden Klaty engineers 1st Upset

With three rounds completed in the 2023 PHCC club championships barely begun, **Braeden Klaty** capped a snowy evening by thrashing **Lon Rutkofske** in a lengthy 69 move contest as a lack of stamina raised its ugly head spelling doom for the club tournament director blundered a critical f-pawn in what appeared to be a dead-drawn ending. Playing the Black pieces, Lon responded to the Sanilac sensation's 1.e4, Nc3 with a surprising Petroff defense, an opening he had never previously used. It appeared that this took Braeden by surprise because it caused him to think long and hard on an appropriate response. From there play followed book lines through move 12 as Lon equalized it what ended up in an extended positional struggle, with each side trying to secure even a small advantage. The ending proved to be a frustrating affair for Lon, as even after he blundered the crucial pawn the end of the game proved to be an interesting time scramble with the senior member have over 8 minutes remaining to his junior adversary's 24 seconds. As it turned out, the time issue proved moot after move 69.hg5+ ended the contest immediately. In other third round games of note, **Bill Wingrove** managed a strong showing against a tactical whiz, **Ryan Urick's** French Defenses to secure a well-earned draw.

What seems most remarkable in this year's competition has to be the turnout featuring 13 USCF rated participants for the first time in over a decade. The addition of two new USCF members, **Sandi Fisher** and **Ryan Urick** are both seeking their initial US Chess ratings, and are novices are attacking the event at full-throttle as they earn their spurs through the rigors of Championship play. Results and games are available after each round on the PHCC website , as well as in monthly publications of *Chess Chatter*.

It has been suggested that to reduce that time frame for the annual championships that the contest be broken down into two sections, a Closed Section composed of the players with USCF ratings over 1700, and a Reserve Section with ratings of 1700 and below. This would probably mean a format that might call for dual round robin events, with the winner of the Reserve section automatically eligible for the Closed section for the following year's championships. Some feedback on this suggestion would be greatly appreciated at the end of this year's competition.

Members' Games



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

Format and rules for PHCC Challenge System

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

Games from the 2023 PHCC Championships

Rd. 1 Games

Fisher,Sandi (Unr) - Avdic,Huso
(1945) [B20] Sicilian Defense
2023 PHCC Championships Port
Huron (1), 12.01.2023

1.e4 c5 2.c4 Nc6 3.d3 Nf6 4.Nc3
e6 5.Be2 Be7 6.Bf3 0-0 7.Be3 d5
8.cxd5 exd5 9.exd5 Nb4 10.Nge2
Nbx5 11.Nxd5 Nxd5 12.0-0 Be6
13.b3 Rc8 14.Rc1 b6 15.Nf4 Nxf4
16.Bxf4 Bd5 17.Re1 Bf6 18.Rc2
Rc6 19.Bc1 Rd6 20.Re3 Bg5
21.Re5 Bxf3 22.Qxf3 Rxd3 23.Qe2
Rd1+ 24.Qxd1 Qxd1+ 25.Re1
Qxe1# 0-1

Klaty,Trenton (1080) - Gregg,Alan
(1900) [B07] Pirc Defense 2023
PHCC Championships Port Huron
(1), 13.01.2023

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nc3 g6 3.e4 d6 4.Be3
Bg7 5.Qd2 Ng4 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 c6
8.f3 Nf6 9.g4 a6 10.Bf2 Qa5
11.Be3 b5 12.e5 dxe5 13.dxe5
Nd5 14.Nxd5 Qxd2+ 15.Bxd2
cxd5 16.0-0-0 Nc6 17.f4 Bxg4
18.Be2 Bf5 19.Bf3 e6 20.Ne2 Rc8
21.c3 Nb4 22.Be3 Nd3+ 23.Kd2
Nxb2 24.Nd4 Nxd1 25.Rxd1 Bf8
26.h4 h5 27.Rg1 b4 28.c4 Rxc4
29.Be2 Rc7 30.Bxa6 Bc5 31.Rc1
Be4 32.Bb5+ Kf8 33.Nxe6+ fxe6
34.Rxc5 Rxc5 35.Bxc5+ Kf7
36.Bxb4 Rc8 37.a4 Rc2+ 38.Ke3
Rh2 39.a5 Rb2 40.Bc5 Rxb5
41.Bb6 Ke8 42.Bc7 Kd7 43.Bb6
Rxb6 44.axb6 Kc6 0-1

Malburg,Drew (1471) -
Rutkofske,Lonnie (1800) [B00]
Queen's Fianchetto Defense
2023 PHCC Championships Port
Huron (1), 12.01.2023

1.e4 b6 2.Nf3 Bb7 3.Nc3 e6 4.d4
d6 5.Bd3 Nd7 6.0-0 Ne7 7.Qe2 a6
8.Be3 h6 9.a4 g6 10.Na2 Bg7
11.c4 c5 12.d5 e5 13.Nc3 g5
14.Nd2 Ng6 15.Nb3 Nf4 16.Bxf4
exf4 17.Qc2 Ne5 18.a5 f3 19.g3
Qd7 20.Kh1 h5 21.Qd2 Qh3
22.Rg1 Ng4 0-1

Klaty,Brad (1285) - West,Tony
(1897) [B22] Sicilian Defense
2023 PHCC Championships Port
Huron (1), 12.01.2023

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.c3 Nf6 4.e5
Nd5 5.Bc4 Nb6 6.Bb3 d5 7.h3 Bf5
8.d4 e6 9.0-0 Be7 10.Be3 cxd4
11.cxd4 Rc8 12.Nc3 0-0 13.Nd2
Nxe5 14.dxe5 d4 15.Bxd4 Qxd4
16.Nf3 Qf4 17.Qd4 Qh6 18.Qd2
Qg6 19.Kh1 Rfd8 20.Qf4 Nd7
21.Ne2 Nc5 22.Bc4 Bd3 23.Rfe1
Bxc4 24.Ned4 Nd3 0-1

Rood,Eric (1527) - Urick,Ryan
(Unr) [D32] Tarrasch Defense
2023 PHCC Championships Port
Huron (1), 13.01.2023

1.d4 e6 2.c4 d5 3.Nc3 c5 4.cxd5
exd5 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.Bf4 a6 7.e3 h6
8.dxc5 Be6 9.Nd4 Bxc5 10.Nxe6
fxe6 11.Qh5+ Kf8 12.Bd3 Nf6
13.Qe2 g5 14.Bg3 Kg7 15.0-0 h5
16.h4 g4 17.Rac1 Qe7 18.a3 Rac8
19.b4 Bd6 20.Qb2 Ne5 21.Be2
Nc4 22.Bxc4 Rxc4 23.Ne2 Rhc8
24.Rxc4 Rxc4 25.Bxd6 Qxd6
26.Nf4 e5 27.Nd3 d4 28.exd4
Qxd4 29.Qb1 b6 30.Rc1 Rxc1+
31.Nxc1 g3 32.Qc2 gxf2+ 33.Kf1
Qxh4 34.Ne2 Qh1+ 35.Kxf2 Ng4+
36.Kg3 Qe1+ 37.Kh3 Qf2 38.Qc7+
Kg6 39.Qd6+ Nf6 40.Qxe5 ½-½

Klaty,Braeden (1506) -
Wingrove,William (1558) [B25]
Closed Sicilian 2023 PHCC
Championships Port Huron (1),
12.01.2023

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 d6 3.g3 Nc6 4.Bg2
e6 5.d3 g6 6.f4 Bg7 7.Nf3 Nge7
8.0-0 0-0 9.h3 a6 10.a4 Qc7
11.Qe1 Bd7 12.g4 Rab8 13.Nd1

b5 14.axb5 axb5 15.Ne3 Ra8
16.Rb1 Ra2 17.Qh4 Nc8 18.f5 Qd8
19.Qxd8 Rxd8 20.c3 Nb6 21.Bd2
Na4 22.Bc1 b4 23.fxg6 hxg6
24.cxb4 Nxb4 25.Nc4 Be8 26.Ne1
d5 27.exd5 exd5 28.Ne3
[28...Bb5?!]28...Bd4 29.Nf3 Bxb2
30.Bxb2 Nxb2 31.Ne5 N2xd3
32.Nxd3 Nxd3 33.Bxd5 Re2
34.Rb7 Rd7 35.Rxd7 Bxd7 36.Rxf7
Rxe3 37.Rf3+ Kh7 38.Rxe3 Nf4
39.Bc4 Bc6 40.Kh2 Ng2 41.Re6
Bf3 42.Kg3 1-0

Rd. 3 Games

Avdic,Huso (1945) -
Klaty,Trenton (1080) [D34]
Tarrasch Defense 2023 PHCC
Championships Port Huron (2),
19.01.2023

1.c4 e6 2.Nc3 d5 3.d4 c5 4.cxd5
exd5 5.Nf3 Nf6 6.g3 Nc6 7.Bg2
Be7 8.0-0 0-0 9.a3 c4 10.Ne5 Na5
11.Bg5 Nb3 12.Ra2 Be6 13.Bxf6
Bxf6 14.f4 g6 15.e4 dxe4 16.d5
Qb6+ 17.Kh1 Bxe5 18.fxe5 Bf5
19.g4 Bd7 20.Nxe4 Rad8 21.Qe1
Kh8 22.Qc3 Qd4 23.Nf6 Bc8
24.Qg3 Nc5 25.Qh4 h5 26.Qg5
Kg7 27.Nxh5+ Kh7 28.Nf6+ Kg7
29.Raa1 Nd3 30.e6 fxe6 31.Nh5+
Kh8 32.Qh6+ Kg8 33.Qxg6+ Kh8
34.Be4 Rd7 35.Rxf8# 1-0

Rutkofske, Lonnie (1800) - Kuhn
,Tim (1500) [A22] English
Opening 2023 PHCC
Championships Port Huron (2),
19.01.2023

1.c4 Nf6 2.g3 d6 3.Bg2 e5 4.Nc3
Be6 5.Bxb7 Nbd7 6.b3 Rb8 7.Bg2
Be7 8.Qc2 0-0 9.e4 c6 10.d3 Qa5
11.Nge2 d5 12.0-0 d4 13.Nd1 Rb7
14.h3 Nc5 15.Bd2 Qa6 16.Nb2
Rfb8 17.f4 Nfd7 18.f5 Bxc4
19.Nxc4 Nxd3 20.Qxd3 Nc5
21.Qf3 f6 22.Nc1 d3 23.Nxd3 Rd8
24.Nxc5 Bxc5+ 25.Kh1 Rbd7
26.Qe2 Bd4 27.Ba5 Bb6 28.Bxb6
axb6 29.Rfd1 1-0

Gregg,Alan (1900) - Klaty,Brad (1285) [D00] QP Game
2023 PHCC Championships Port Huron (2), 19.01.2023
1.d4 d5 2.Bf4 Nf6 3.e3 e6 4.Nd2 h6 5.Bd3 Nc6 6.c3 Bd6 7.Bg3 e5 8.Bb5 e4 9.c4 dxc4 10.Bxc6+ bxc6 11.Qc2 Bb4 12.0-0-0 Bxd2+ 13.Rxd2 Be6 14.Ne2 0-0 15.h3 Rb8 16.Nc3 Bd5 17.Be5 Re8 18.g4 Rb4 19.Rg1 Nd7 20.Bh2 Nf6 21.h4 Qd7 22.g5 hxg5 23.hxg5 Nh7 24.Be5 Qf5 25.f4 Kf8 26.Bxc7 Ke7 27.Qd1 Rb7 28.Ba5 g6 29.a3 Nf8 30.Bb4+ Kd7 31.Qg4 Qxg4 32.Rxg4 Reb8 33.Rh4 Ke6 34.Rh8 Nd7 35.Rdh2 Kf5 36.Rxb8 Nxb8 37.Rg2 Nd7 38.Na4 Rb8 39.Rh2 Kg4 40.Kd2 Be6 41.Ke2 Kg3 42.Rh7 Bg4+ 43.Kd2 Be6 44.Bd6 Rb7 45.f5+ Kf3 46.fxe6 fxe6 47.Bb4 Kg4 48.Re7 Kf5 49.Kc3 Rc7 50.Nc5 Nxc5 51.Rxc7 Na4+ 52.Kc2 Kxg5 53.Rxc6 Kf5 54.Rxc4 Nb6 55.Rc5+ Kg4 56.Kd2 Kf3 57.Ba5 Nd5 58.Rxd5 exd5 59.Bd8 Kg4 60.Ke2 Kf5 61.b4 Ke6 62.a4 Kd7 63.Bg5 1-0

Urick,Ryan - Fisher,Sandi [A84]
Dutch Defense 2023 PHCC Championships Port Huron (2), 19.01.2023

1.d4 f5 2.c4 d5 3.cxd5 g6 4.Nc3 Bg7 5.Nf3 e5 6.dxe5 Nd7 7.Bg5 Ne7 8.d6 cxd6 9.exd6 Qa5 10.Bxe7 b6 11.e3 Bb7 12.Be2 Rc8 13.0-0 Kf7 14.Qb3+ Ke8 15.Ng5 Rf8 16.Bxf8 Kxf8 17.Qf7# 1-0

Wingrove,William (1558) - Rood,Eric (1527) [B01]
Scandinavian Defense 2023 PHCC Championships Port Huron (2), 19.01.2023
1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.d4 Nxd5 4.c4 Nb6 5.Nf3 Bg4 6.h3 Bh5 7.Nc3 Nc6 8.Be3 e6 9.g4 Bg6 10.a3 a6 11.Qe2 Qe7 12.Bg2 0-0-0 13.0-0 h5 14.g5 h4 15.Rad1 Na5 16.Ne5 Bh5 17.Bf3 f6 18.Bxh5 fxe5 19.dxe5 Naxc4 20.Rxd8+

Qxd8 21.Rd1 Qe7 22.Bg4 Nxe5 23.Bxb6 Nxb6 24.Bxc7 Nxf2 25.Qxf2 Qxg5+ 26.Kf1 Kxc7 27.Qf7+ Qe7 28.Qf4+ Kc8 29.Qc4+ Kb8 30.Rc1 Rh6 31.Qf4+ Ka8 32.Qe3 Qc5 33.Qxc5 Bxc5 34.Ne4 Bd4 35.b3 Rg6 36.Ke2 Rg2+ 37.Kd3 e5 38.Kc4 b5+ 39.Kd5 Kb7 40.Rf1 Rg6 41.Rf7+ Ka8 42.Nd6 Bb2 43.a4 bxa4 44.bxa4 Ba3 45.Nc4 Bb4 46.Kxe5 Rg3 47.Kf4 g5+ 48.Kf5 Rf3+ 49.Kg6 Rxf7 50.Kxf7 g4 51.hxg4 h3 0-1

West,Tony (1897) - Malburg,Drew (1471) [E18]
Queen's Indian Defense 2023 PHCC Championships Port Huron (2), 19.01.2023

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 b6 4.g3 Bb7 5.Bg2 d5 6.0-0 Be7 7.Ne5 0-0 8.Nc3 Nbd7 9.Nd3 Ne4 10.cxd5 exd5 11.Qb3 Ndf6 12.Nf4 Nxc3 13.bxc3 a5 14.Qc2 c5 15.e3 cxd4 16.exd4 Rc8 17.Re1 Bb4 18.Bb2 Bd6 19.Qf5 g6 20.Qg5 Bxf4 21.Qxf4 Re8 22.Rxe8+ Nxe8 23.Re1 Nd6 24.Bh3 Rc7 25.f3 Ne8 26.Bc1 Nd6 27.Qh6 Qf8 28.Qh4 f6 29.Re6 Re7 30.Bh6 Rxe6 31.Bxe6+ 1-0

Rd. 3 Games

Kuhn,Timothy (1500) - West,Tony (1897) [B25] Closed Sicilian
2023 PHCC Championships Grosse Pointe Woods (3), 26.01.2023

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.g3 d6 4.Bg2 Nf6 5.d3 g6 6.Nge2 Bg7 7.0-0 0-0 8.f3 e5 9.Be3 Nd4 10.Qd2 Be6 11.Nd1 d5 12.c3 Nxe2+ 13.Qxe2 Rc8 14.Nf2 Qd7 15.exd5 Nxd5 16.Bd2 f5 17.c4 Ne7 18.Bc3 Nc6 19.Rac1 Nd4 20.Qd2 f4 21.g4 h5 22.h3 hxg4 23.Nxg4 Qe7 24.Bxd4 cxd4 25.Rce1 Qg5 26.Qa5 a6 27.Qb6 Bf5 28.Nf2 Rf7 29.Ne4 Qh4 30.Nd6 Rc6 31.Nxf5 gxf5 32.Qa7 Rg6 33.Kh1 Rxc2 34.Kxg2

Qg3+ 35.Kh1 Qxh3+ 36.Kg1 Qg3+ 37.Kh1 Bf8 38.Rg1 Rh7# 0-1

Malburg,Drew (1471) - Gregg,Alan (1900) [B80] Sicilian Scheveningen 2023 PHCC Championships Port Huron (3), 26.01.2023

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Be3 a6 7.f3 Be7 8.Qd2 Qc7 9.g4 Nc6 10.g5 Nd7 11.h4 Nde5 12.Be2 Nxd4 13.Bxd4 0-0 14.f4 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Qxc4 16.Qd3 b5 17.Qxc4 bxc4 18.0-0-0 Bb7 19.Rhe1 Rfe8 20.Na4 Rac8 21.f5 exf5 22.exf5 Bf3 23.f6 Bxd1 24.Kxd1 Bf8 25.Nb6 Rxe1+ 26.Kxe1 Re8+ 27.Kd2 Re4 28.c3 Rxb4 29.Nxc4 Rg4 30.Be3 Rxc4 0-1

Klaty,Braeden (1506) - Rutkofske,Lonnie (1800) [C42]
Petroff's Defense

2023 PHCC Championships Port Huron (3), 26.01.2023
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nxe5 d6 4.Nf3 Nxe4 5.d4 d5 6.Bd3 Be7 7.0-0 Bg4 8.Re1 Nc6 9.Bxe4 dxe4 10.Rxe4 Bxf3 11.Qxf3 Nxd4 12.Qc3 Ne6 13.Nd2 Bf6 14.Qc4 0-0 15.Nf3 c5 16.c3 Qc7 17.Re1 Rad8 18.Be3 Qc6 19.Qb3 Rfe8 20.Qa3 b5 21.Rad1 Ra8 22.Rd2 a5 23.Qb3 a4 24.Qd5 Qxd5 25.Rxd5 Rec8 26.Rc1 Rd8 27.Rcd1 Rdc8 28.Rc1 h6 29.h3 g5 30.Ne5 Rc7 31.Nd7 Be7 32.Rcd1 Kg7 33.Ne5 f5 34.f3 Kf6 35.Nd7+ Kg7 36.Rxf5 Rd8 37.Rfd5 Kg6 38.Ne5+ Kf6 39.Rxd8 Nxd8 40.Ng4+ Kg6 41.Rd5 Nf7 42.Ne5+ Nxe5 43.Rxe5 Kf6 44.Rd5 Ke6 45.Rd2 b4 46.c4 Bf6 47.b3 axb3 48.axb3 Ra7 49.Bxc5 Ra1+ 50.Kf2 Bc3 51.Rd6+ Kf5 52.Rb6 Ra2+ 53.Ke3 Rb2 54.Rb5 Be5 55.Rxb4 Bf4+ 56.Kd3 Rd2+ 57.Kc3 Rxc2 58.Rb5 Bd2+ 59.Kd3 Kf4 60.Bf8 Kxf3 61.Bxh6 Bf4 62.Rf5 Rd2+ 63.Kc3 Rg2 64.Kb4 Ke4 65.Rf7 Rg3

66.Rg7 Bd2+ 67.Ka4 Kf5 68.h4 Kf6
69.hxg5+ 1-0

Klaty,Trenton (1080) -
Fisher,Sandi [B01] Scandinavian
Defense 2023 PHCC

Championships Port Huron (3),
26.01.2023

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Qxd5 3.Nc3 Qa5
4.d4 e5 5.dxe5 Qxe5+ 6.Be2 Nf6
7.Nf3 Qe7 8.0-0 Nc6 9.Re1 Bd7
10.Bc4 0-0-0 11.Rxe7 Bxe7
12.Bg5 Be6 13.Bxe6+ fxe6 14.Qe2
Rd6 15.Nb5 Rd5 16.Bxf6 Bxf6
17.Qxe6+ Rd7 18.Rd1 Rhd8
19.Rxd7 Rxd7 20.c3 Kb8 21.Qxd7
1-0

Klaty,Brad (1285) - Avdic,Huso
(1945) [B01] Scandinavian
Defense

2023 PHCC Championships Port
Huron (3), 26.01.2023

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.Nf3 Qxd5
4.d4 Bg4 5.Nc3 Qa5 6.Bd2 c6
7.Bc4 e6 8.Qe2 Qc7 9.Qe3 b5
10.Bb3 a5 11.a3 Be7 12.Ba2 0-0
13.Ne5 Bf5 14.Rc1 b4 15.Ne2 c5
16.0-0 Nc6 17.Nxc6 Qxc6 18.c3
bxa3 19.bxa3 c4 20.Ng3 Bd3
21.Rfe1 Bxa3 22.Rb1 Bxb1
23.Rxb1 Bd6 24.h3 Rab8 25.Ne2
Qe4 26.Rxb8 Rxb8 27.Ng3 Qxe3
28.Bxe3 Nd5 29.Bxc4 Bxg3 0-1

Wingrove,William (1558) -
Urick,Ryan [C14] French
Defense:Classical System

2023 PHCC Championships Port
Huron (3), 26.01.2023

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5
Be7 5.e5 Nfd7 6.Bxe7 Qxe7 7.f4

a6 8.Nf3 c5 9.dxc5 Qxc5 10.Qd4
Nc6 11.Qxc5 Nxc5 12.Rd1 b5
13.a3 Bb7 14.b4 Nd7 15.Ne2 Nb6
16.Ned4 Nxd4 17.Nxd4 Rc8
18.Bd3 Nc4 19.Ra1 Ne3 20.g3 Ke7
21.Ke2 Nc4 22.Rhf1 f6 23.exf6+
gxf6 24.Kf2 Nd6 25.Rfe1 Ne4+
26.Kf1 Rhg8 27.Bxe4 dxe4
28.Rac1 Rc3 29.Nb3 Bd5 30.Ke2
Bc4+ 31.Kf2 f5 32.Re3 Rxe3
33.Kxe3 Rd8 34.Na5 Rc8 35.Nb7
Bd5 36.Nc5 Rc6 37.h3 h6 38.g4
Kf6 39.Nd7+ Kg7 40.Kd2 Bc4
41.Ne5 Rd6+ 42.Ke3 Bd5 43.gxf5
exf5 44.Rg1+ Kf8 45.Rg6 Rxd6
46.Nxd6+ Kf7 47.Ne5+ Ke6 48.c3
Kd6 49.Kd4 ½-½

2023 PHCC Championships - Open Section																	
#	Name	Ratings		Dates													Awards
		USCF/PHCC	12-Jan	19-Jan	26-Jan	2-Feb	9-Feb	16-Feb	23-Feb	2-Mar	9-Mar	16-Mar	23-Mar	30-Mar	6-Apr	27-Apr	
			Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Rd 6	Rd 7	Rd 8	Rd 9	Rd 10	Rd 11	Rd 12	Rd 13	Totals	
1	Huso Avdic	1945/2100	B 13	W 12	B 11	W 10	B 9	W 8	B 7	W 6	B 5	W 4	B 3	W 2	W 14	3	
			1	1	1						Bye					3	
2	Alan Gregg	1900/1922	B 12	W 11	B 10	W 9	B 8	W 7	B 6	W 5	B 4	W 3	W 14	B 1	W 13	3	
			1	1	1					Bye						3	
3	Tony West	1897/1967	B 11	W 10	B 9	W 8	B 7	W 6	B 5	W 4	W 14	B 2	W 1	B 13	W 12	3	
			1	1	1				Bye							3	
4	Lonnie Rutkofske	1800/1758	B 10	W 9	B 8	W 7	B 6	W 5	W 14	B 3	W 2	B 1	W 13	B 12	W 11	2	
			1	1	0			Bye								2	
5	Matthew Morabito	1780/1830	B 9	W 8	B 7	W 6	W 14	B 4	W 3	B 2	W 1	B 13	W 12	B 11	W 10	0	
	Withdrew		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
6	William Wingrove	1558/1480	B 8	W 7	W 14	B 5	W 4	B 3	W 2	B 1	W 13	B 12	W 11	B 10	W 9	0.5	
			0	0	0.5	Bye										0.5	
7	Eric Rood	1527/1837	W 14	B 6	W 5	B 4	W 3	B 2	W 1	B 13	W 12	B 11	W 10	B 9	W 8	1.5	
			0.5	1	Bye											1.5	
8	Braeden Klaty	1506/1693	W 6	B 5	W 4	B 3	W 2	B 1	W 13	B 12	W 11	B 10	W 9	B 14	B 7	2	
			1	Bye	1											2	
9	Timothy Kuhn	1500/1500	W 5	B 4	W 3	B 2	W 1	B 13	W 12	B 11	W 10	B 14	B 8	W 7	B 6	0	
			Bye	0	0											0	
10	Drew Malburg	1471/1468	W 4	B 3	W 2	B 1	W 13	B 12	W 11	B 14	B 9	W 8	B 7	W 6	B 5	0	
			0	0	0										Bye	0	
11	Brad Klaty	1285/1239	W 3	B 2	W 1	B 13	W 12	B 14	B 10	W 9	B 8	W 7	B 6	W 5	B 4	0	
			0	0	0									Bye		0	
12	Trenton Klaty	1080/1308	W 2	B 1	W 13	B 14	B 11	W 10	B 9	W 8	B 7	W 6	B 5	W 4	B 3	1	
			0	0	1								Bye			1	
13	Sandi Fisher	unr./1200	W 1	B 14	B 12	W 11	B 10	W 9	B 8	W 7	B 6	W 5	B 4	W 3	B 2	0	
			0	0	0							Bye				0	
14	Ryan Urick	unr./1874	B 7	W 13	B 6	W 12	B 5	W 11	B 4	W 10	B 3	W 9	B 2	W 8	B 1	2	
			0.5	1	0.5		Bye									2	

2023 Calendar of Events:

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

2023 PHCC Championships – Begin January 12, 2023

January 12- April 27, 2023 -The final format for the 2023 Club Championships will be determined by the number of pre-tournament entries, so please contact Lon by Thursday, Jan.5, 2023 to register for the event. The tournament will be held between January 12- April 27, 2023 and format, rules and appropriate details will be emailed and published to the website for those that pre-register.

March 4th - Port Huron Area Schools District Tournament – At Port Huron High School - 9am-1pm – seeking PHCC volunteers - see flyer in January & February Issues of Chess Chatter.

May 18th- PHCC Rated Action Quads (or Mini-Swiss depending on registration) G/10 EF: \$5.00 ...Prizes based on entries. A minimum of 4 participants will be necessary to hold the event. Please contact Lon via phone or email if you plan to register. Onsite registration 6:30-7:00PM - Play begins at 7:00 PM. Prizes: if Quad: 1st = \$15; if Mini-Swiss: Based on entries! (Recording games is optional, for players that wish to keep score, neither player is required to keep score if either has 5 minutes or less on their clock.)

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

July 20th - USCF/PHCC Rated Action Quads (or Mini-Swiss depending on registration) G/25 with 3 sec. delay EF: \$5.00 ...Prizes based on entries. A minimum of 4 participants will be necessary to hold the event. Please contact Lon via phone or email if you plan to register. Onsite registration 6:30-7:00PM - Play begins at 7:00 PM. Prizes: if Quad: 1st = \$15; if Mini-Swiss: Based on entries! (Recording games is optional, for players that wish to keep score, neither player is required to keep score if either has 5 minutes or less on their clock.)

August 10, 17, 24 – USCF/PHCC Rated Mini-Swiss (or Quads based on entries) 3 Round- USCF Rated Mini-Swiss. Game/90 minutes with/5 sec. delay. USCF and PHCC membership required. One game per night (August 10, 17 & 24)! Play will begin at 7:00PM. EF: \$5.00 Play will begin at 7:00PM. A minimum of 4 participants are required. Prizes: based on entries. Please register in advance by contacting Lon Rutkofske by August 4th so he can determine if there are enough entries to hold the event.

September 21st – PHCC Rated Thematic tournament: G/25 with 3 sec. delay EF: \$5.00 ...Prizes based on entries. A minimum of 4 participants will be necessary to hold the event. Please contact Lon via phone or email if you plan to register. Onsite registration 6:30-7:00PM - Play begins at 7:00 PM. Prizes: if Quad: 1st = \$15; if Mini-Swiss: Based on entries! (Recording games is optional, for players that wish to keep score, neither player is required to keep score if either has 5 minutes or less on their clock.) Players with the white pieces will be playing a game with a predetermined opening sequence such as the Ruy Lopez, or KI Attack based on one of the openings drawn at random by the TD. The game will begin from that opening position.

October 19th PHCC Speed Championships - The Port Huron Chess Club's 40th Annual Speed Championship Tournament will be held on Thursday, October 19th beginning at 7:00 PM. Registrations will determine the number of rounds and prizes. PHCC membership required. Entry fee will be \$5.00. Please contact Lon if you plan to play. There will be no registrations on-site. If you intend to play, contact Lon before October 14th. (Will be USCF rated if all entrants are USCF members.)

November 16th – PHCC Rated Quick Tournament DRR Game/15 PHCC Rated Action Quads (or Mini-Swiss depending on registration) EF: \$5.00 ...Prizes based on entries. A minimum of 4 participants will be necessary to hold the event. Please contact Lon via phone or email if you plan to register. Onsite registration 6:30-7:00PM - Play begins at 7:00 PM. Prizes: if Quad: 1st = \$15; if Mini-Swiss: Based on entries! (Recording games is optional, for players that wish to keep score, neither player is required to keep score if either has 5 minutes or less on their clock.)

December 14th – Bughouse Tournament – Details to follow in November.

Ratings:

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

PHCC Ratings as of 1/6/23

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Avdic, Huso	2100
West, Tony	1967
Gregg, Alan	1922
Urick, Ryan	1874
Rood Eric	1837
Morabito, Matt	1830
Rutkofske, Lon	1758
Broyles, Tom	1700
Klaty, Braeden	1693
Young, William	1640
Jones, G. Avery	1561
Kuhn, Timothy	1500
Wingrove, Bill	1480
Malburg, Drew	1468
Ledsworth, Brian	1400
Beneker, Gerrit	1380
Klaty, Trenton	1308
Bryne, Brandon	1294
Klaty, Brad	1239
Schmidt, Mark	1216
Fisher, Sandi	1200

PHCC Blitz Ratings as of 1/6/23

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Avdic, Huso	2133
Gregg, Alan	1967
Urick, Ryan	1883
Rood Eric	1824
Morabito, Matt	1800
West, Tony	1774
Rutkofske, Lon	1723
Broyles, Tom	1708
Klaty, Braeden	1694
Young, William	1640
Wingrove, Bill	1519
Jones, G. Avery	1517
Kuhn, Timothy	1500
Klaty, Trenton	1381
Bryne, Brandon	1365
Beneker, Gerrit	1354
Ledsworth, Brian	1317
Klaty, Brad	1314
Schmidt, Mark	1216
Malburg, Drew	1021

USCF Ratings as of 1/6/23

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Avdic, Huso	1945
Alan Gregg	1900
West, Tony	1897
Rutkofske, Lon	1800
Morabito, Matt	1780
Wingrove, William	1558
Rood, Eric	1527
Klaty, Braeden	1506
Kuhn, Timothy	1500
Malburg, Drew	1471
Ledsworth, Brian	1308
Klaty, Brad	1285/P10
Klaty, Trenton	1080/P10
Urick, Ryan	Unr
Fisher, Sandi	Unr

USCF Quick/Action Ratings as of 1/6/23

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Avdic, Huso	1986
Morabito, Matt	1908/P
Gregg, Alan	1899
Rutkofske, Lon	1775
West, Tony	1774
Wingrove, William	1510
Kuhn, Timothy	1494
Klaty, Braeden	1455
Klaty, Brad	1339/P7
Rood, Eric	1321
Klaty, Trenton	1091/P7
Bryne, Brandon	1202
Ledsworth, Brian	1058
Urick, Ryan	Unr
Fisher, Sandi	Unr

USCF Blitz Ratings as of 1/6/23

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>
Avdic, Huso	2037
Gregg, Alan	1861
Morabito, Matt	1732
Rutkofske, Lon	1612
Rood, Eric	1578
Kuhn, Timothy	1545
Klaty, Braeden	1541
Byrne, Brandon	1441
Ledsworth, Brian	1317
Klaty, Trenton	1350
Klaty, Brad	1267
Malburg, Drew	120
West, Tony	Unr
Urick, Ryan	Unr
Fisher, Sandi	Unr

Dues News:

While dues are not required for anyone interested in playing at the club, they are required for those competing in tournament play. Annual Dues are \$20.00 for adults and \$10.00 for those under 19. Dues funds are used to offset miscellaneous expenses not funded by the Recreation Department. United States Chess Federation memberships are available through the club. Memberships expiring in January 2023: Broyles, Tom.



Phil Willard Memorial Chess Tournament



Saturday, March 4th, 2023

8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Port Huron High School Cafeteria

Registration will take place from 8:00 to 8:30 a.m.

NO LATE REGISTRATIONS ACCEPTED

5 Round Tournament

Round 1 - 9:00 a.m.

Round 2 - 9:45 a.m.

Round 3 - 10:30 a.m.

Round 4 - 11:15 a.m.

Round 5 - 12:00 p.m.

Tournament and trophy presentation will conclude by 1:00 p.m.

Open Tournament—FREE to all students currently attending

Port Huron Schools in grades Kindergarten through 12th

Non-PHASD Student Cost: \$10.00 (Space Limited-CASH Only)

Time limit 15 minutes per player per round (Game in 30 minutes)

Prizes will be awarded according to the following grade classifications:

K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

(Grade classifications without a minimum of 6 players will be paired

in the next highest grade classification)

CHESS SETS WILL BE PROVIDED

- ◆ **Parents are responsible for the transportation and supervision of their children.**
- ◆ **Participants may bring their own refreshments.**