



Chess Chatter

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

Highest Rated Players maintain their edge after 6 rounds of Club Champs

In the Lead



Huso Avdic

Champion – 2021 & 2022



Tony West

Champion - 2014 & 2017



Alan Gregg

Champion - 2010 thru 2019;
2015; and 2018 Thru 2020



Braeden Klaty



Eric Rood



Ryan Urick



Lon Rutkofske



Trenton Klaty

**In the
hunt for
more
upsets!**

Through 6 rounds the competition has been fierce with close games being the norm and a number of makeup games yet to be played. For the last two years, **Huso Avdic** has successfully met the challenge of maintaining his domination over the field. This year's competitors represent a step up in ability, tactical savvy and ingenuity that could put the club defending champion's prowess to the test. Be sure to take a peek at the games section that follows to get a flavor of the developing rivalries!

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 scheduled.
 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.
 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.

One doesn't have to play well, it's enough to play better than your opponent."
— Siegbert Tarrasch

Below is the link for the games that I have if anybody notices any mistakes let me know and I will correct them in the final. – Alan Gregg

<https://share.chessbase.com/SharedGames/share/?p=c+ZL15y154moY5IbniOPTOYWBm8gOXZjaPeag6Tl5gJYH6AFN Mbz0RBrErQFvOGx>

Games from the 2023 PHCC Championships

Round 4

Avdic,Huso (1945) - Malburg,Drew (1471) [A29] English Opening-4 Knights 2023 PHCC Championships Port Huron (4), 02.02.2023

1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.g3 d5 5.cxd5 Nxd5 6.d3 Be6 7.Bg2 f6 8.0-0 Qd7 9.Bd2 0-0-0 10.Rc1 g5 11.Ne4 g4 12.Nh4 Be7 13.Nc5 Bxc5 14.Rxc5 Qd6 15.Rc1 Ndb4 16.Qa4 Nxa2 17.Rxc6 bxc6 18.Bxc6 Qc5 19.Qa6+ 1-0

Gregg,Alan (1900) - Kuhn,Timothy (1500) [C70] Ruy Lopez 2023 PHCC Championships Port Huron (4), 02.02.2023

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Bc5 5.c3 Nf6 6.Bc2 d5 7.exd5 Qxd5 8.d3 Bg4 9.Bb3 Qd6 10.0-0 0-0-0 11.Bc2 Qe6 12.Qe2 Nd5 13.Be3 Nxe3 14.fxe3 Qh6 15.Re1 Bd6 16.h3 e4 17.hxg4 exf3 18.gxf3 Bg3 19.Rd1 Ne5 20.Nd2 Nxd3 21.Ne4 Bh2+ 22.Kg2 Bf4 23.Rh1 Qb6 24.Bxd3 Rxd3 25.Qxd3 Bxe3 26.Qe2 f5 27.gxf5 g6 28.f6 Bf4 29.Rad1 Qe6 30.Nd6+ Qxd6 31.Rxd6 Bxd6 1-0

Fisher,Sandi - Klaty,Brad (1285) [D00] QP Game 2023 PHCC Championships Port Huron (4), 02.02.2023

1.d4 d5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.e3 Bg4 5.Be2 e6 6.0-0 Bd6 7.h3 Bh5 8.Qd3 a6 9.Bd2 Nb4 10.e4 dxe4 11.Qe3 Nxc2 12.Ne5 Nxa1 13.Rxa1 Bxe2 14.Nxe2 Qe7 15.Ng3 Bb4 16.Rd1 0-0 17.Nxe4 Nd5 18.Qg3 Bxd2 19.Rxd2 Rfd8 20.Rd3 Nf6 21.Nc3 c5 22.d5 Nxd5 23.Ne4 Nf6 24.Nd2 Rxd3 25.Qxd3 Rd8 26.Qc3 Nd5 27.Qc4 Qg5 28.Ne4 Qxe5 29.Nxc5 Nb6 30.Qb4 Rd1+ 0-1

Urick,Ryan - Klaty,Trenton (1080) [D32] Tarrasch Defense 2023 PHCC Championships Port Huron (4), 02.02.2023

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 c5 4.Nf3 cxd4 5.Nb5 Nf6 6.Nbxd4 Ne4 7.a3 Qa5+ 8.Bd2 Nxd2 9.Qxd2 Qxd2+ 10.Kxd2 Be7 11.cxd5 exd5 12.Nb5 Na6 13.Rc1 0-0 14.b4 Bf5 15.e3 Rfd8 16.Bd3 Be4 17.Ke2 Nxb4 18.axb4 Bxb4 19.Rb1 a5 20.Rhc1 Rdc8 21.Bxe4 dxe4 22.Nfd4 Rxc1 23.Rxc1 a4 24.Rc4 Bf8 25.Nc2 g6 26.Nca3 f5 27.f3 exf3+ 28.Kxf3 Bh6 29.g3 Bf8 30.e4 fxe4+ 31.Rxe4 Kf7 32.Rc4 b6 33.Rc7+ Kg8 34.Ke4 Bc5 35.Kd5 Rd8+ 36.Kc4 Ra8 37.Kc3 Kh8 38.Rd7 Kg8 39.Kb2 Ra5 40.Ka2 Bg1 41.h3 Bf2 42.g4 h5 43.Ra7 Rxa7 44.Nxa7 hxg4 45.hxg4 Kf7 46.Nc8 Kf6 47.Kb2 Ke5 48.Ne7 Kf4 49.Nxg6+ Kxg4 50.Ne5+ Kf5 51.Nec4 Ke6 52.Kc2 Kd5 53.Kd3 Kc5 54.Nd2 Bh4 55.Kc2 b5 56.Ne4+ Kb4 57.Nc3 Kxa3 58.Nxb5+ Kb4 59.Nc3 Bg5 60.Nxa4 ½-½

West,Tony (1897) - Klaty, Braeden (1506) [E19] Queen's Indian Defense 2023 PHCC Championships (4), 02.02.2023

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 b6 4.g3 Bb7 5.Bg2 Be7 6.0-0 0-0 7.Nc3 Ne4 8.Qc2 Nxc3 9.bxc3 f5 10.Rd1 d6 11.c5 Nd7 12.Qb3 Bd5 13.c4 Be4 14.cxd6 cxd6 15.h4 h6 16.Be3 g5 17.hxg5 hxg5 18.d5 e5 19.a4 f4 20.Bc1 Nc5 21.Qc3 Qd7 22.a5 bxa5 23.Rxa5 Bd8 24.Rxc5 dxc5 25.Nxe5 Qh7 26.Ng4 Bxg2 27.Kxg2 Qe4+ 28.Kh3 Qxe2 29.Re1 Qa2 30.Bb2 Bf6 31.Nxf6+ Kf7 32.Ra1 1-0

Lonnie Rutkofske (1800) - Eric Rood (1527) [A16] English Opening 2023 PHCC Championships Port Huron (4), 02.02.0002

1.c4 c6 2.g3 Nf6 3.Nc3 d5 4.cxd5 cxd5 5.Nf3 Bf5 6.Nd4 Qd7 7.Qb3

Bg6 8.Bg2 Nc6 9.Nxc6 bxc6 10.d4 e6 11.Bg5 Bd6 12.Bxf6 gxf6 13.e4 Rb8 14.Qc2 Qb7 15.b3 Qa6 16.Qe2 Qa5 17.Rc1 Ba3 18.0-0 Bxc1 19.Rxc1 0-0 20.Na4 Rfc8 21.Nc5 Qb4 22.Nd7 Rb7 23.Nxf6+ Kg7 24.Nh5+ Bxh5 25.Qxh5 Qd2 26.Rd1 Qh6 27.Qe5+ Qf6 28.Qd6 Qe7 29.Qf4 h6 30.h4 Rbc7 31.Bf1 Qf6 32.Qe3 Rg8 33.e5 Qe7 34.Kh2 c5 35.Bd3 cxd4 36.Qxd4 Qc5 37.Qf4 Rh8 38.Qf6+ ½-½

Round 5

Gregg,Alan (1900) - Urick,Ryan [C02] French Defense Advance 2023 PHCC Championships Port Huron (5), 09.02.2023

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qa5 6.dxc5 Qxc5 7.Be3 Qa5 8.Be2 f6 9.exf6 Nxf6 10.0-0 Be7 11.Nbd2 0-0 12.Nd4 e5 13.Nxc6 bxc6 14.b4 Qc7 15.a3 Bd6 16.Bc5 Bxc5 17.bxc5 Qa5 18.c4 Qxc5 19.cxd5 cxd5 20.Nf3 Qd6 21.h3 Be6 22.Re1 Rfd8 23.Bf1 e4 24.Nd4 Rf8 25.Qd2 Rf7 26.Rac1 Bd7 27.Rc3 Raf8 28.Rec1 Nh5 29.f3 exf3 30.Nxf3 Ng3 31.Bd3 Bxh3 32.Ng5 Bf5 33.Nxf7 Rxf7 34.Bxf5 Nxf5 35.Rc8+ Rf8 36.Rxf8+ Kxf8 37.Rf1 g6 38.g4 Qg3+ 39.Qg2 Qe3+ 40.Qf2 Qg5 41.Qf4 1-0

Kuhn,Timothy (1500) - Avdic,Huso (1945) [B01] Scandinavian Defense 2023 PHCC Championships Port Huron (5), 09.02.2023

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.Nf3 Nxd5 4.d4 g6 5.c4 Nf6 6.Nc3 Bg7 7.Bd3 0-0 8.0-0 Nc6 9.Be3 Bg4 10.h3 Bxf3 11.Qxf3 Nxd4 12.Qf4 Ne6 13.Qh4 Qxd3 14.Rad1 Qf5 15.g4 Qf3 16.g5 Nh5 17.Nd5 Rfe8 18.Rd2 c6 19.Nb4 Nef4 20.Bxf4 Nxf4 21.Qg3 Nxh3+ 22.Kh2 Be5 23.Kxh3 0-1

Wingrove,William (1558) - Rutkofske,Lonnie (1800) [B07] Pirc Defense 2023 PHCC

Championships Port Huron (5),
09.02.2023

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.f3
Bg7 5.Be3 c6 6.Qd2 h6 7.Bc4 b5
8.Bb3 Qc7 9.h4 Nbd7 10.Nh3 a5
11.a3 Qb8 12.0-0 c5 13.Nf2 c4
14.Ba2 Ba6 15.f4 b4 16.Ne2 Qb7
17.e5 Nd5 18.c3 Nxe3 19.Qxe3
dxe5 20.dxe5 Qb6 21.Qxb6 Nxb6
22.Rfd1 g5 23.hxg5 hxg5 24.fxg5
Bxe5 25.Rac1 bxa3 26.bxa3 Bd6
27.Rd4 Rd8 28.Rb1 Bc5 29.Re4
Rd2 30.Ra1 0-0 31.Bb1 Bb7
32.Re5 Nd7 33.Rxc5 Nxc5 34.Ng3
Nd3 35.Bxd3 cxd3 36.Rb1 Ba6
37.Nge4 Ra2 38.Nc5 Bc4
39.Nfxd3 Bxd3 40.Nxd3 Rxa3
41.Ne5 Rxc3 0-1

Malburg,Drew (1471) Fisher,Sandi
[B01] Scandinavian Defense 2023
PHCC Championships Port Huron
(5), 09.02.2023

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Qxd5 3.Nc3 Qa5
4.d4 c6 5.Nf3 Bf5 6.Bd2 Nd7 7.Bc4
e5 8.dxe5 Nxe5 9.Qe2 Bd6
10.Ne4 Qc7 11.Nxd6+ Qxd6
12.Qxe5+ Ne7 13.Qxd6 0-0 14.0-0
Rae8 15.Rhe1 Nc8 16.Qf4
Ne7 17.Bb4 Ng6 18.Qxf5 b5
19.Rxe8 h6 20.Qxf7+ Kh7 21.Rxf8
bxc4 22.Qg8# 1-0

Rood,Eric (1527) - West,Tony
(1897) [A80] Dutch Defense 2023
PHCC Championships Port Huron
(5), 09.02.2023

1.d4 f5 2.Bf4 Nf6 3.e3 d5 4.Nf3 e6
5.Nbd2 Bd6 6.Ne5 0-0 7.Be2
Nbd7 8.h3 Qe7 9.c3 Ne4 10.Ndf3
c5 11.0-0 g5 12.Nxd7 Bxd7
13.Bxd6 Qxd6 14.Ne5 Be8 15.Bf3
Nf6 16.Rc1 Rc8 17.Qe2 a6 18.Rfe1
Rc7 19.g4 Rg7 20.Bg2 h5 21.f3
fxg4 22.fxg4 hxg4 23.Nxg4 Nxg4
24.Qxg4 Rf6 25.e4 Rf4 26.e5 Qb6
27.Qd1 cxd4 0-1

Round 6

Avdic,Huso (1945) - Klaty,Braeden
(1506) [E05] Open Catalan 2023

PHCC Championships Port Huron
(6), 16.02.2023

1.c4 e6 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nc3 d5 4.d4
Be7 5.g3 0-0 6.Bg2 dxc4 7.0-0
Nc6 8.e4 Rb8 9.Be3 a6 10.Qe2
Na5 11.Rad1 b5 12.d5 exd5 13.e5
Nd7 14.Nxd5 c6 15.Nf4 Qc7 16.e6
Nc5 17.exf7+ Rxf7 18.Bxc5 Bxc5
19.Ng5 Re7 20.Qc2 g6 21.Nxg6
hxg6 22.Qxg6+ Rg7 23.Qe8+ Bf8
24.Rd8 Qe7 25.Re1 Qxe8
26.Rexe8 Rxc5 27.Rxf8+ Kg7
28.Rg8+ Kh6 29.Rd6+ Kh5
30.Rh8+ Kg4 31.f4 Rg7 32.Kf2 1-0

Rutkofske,Lonnie (1800) -
Gregg,Alan (1900) [A06] Reti
Opening 2023 PHCC

Championships Port Huron (9),
16.02.2023

1.Nf3 d5 2.d3 Nf6 3.c3 e6 4.g3
Bd6 5.Bg2 0-0 6.0-0 c5 7.Bg5 Nc6
8.Nbd2 h6 9.Bxf6 Qxf6 10.e4 Qd8
11.d4 cxd4 12.cxd4 Qb6 13.e5
Be7 14.Nb3 a5 15.Rb1 a4 16.Na1
Bd7 17.Nc2 Rfc8 18.Re1 Na5
19.Bf1 Rc7 20.Bd3 Rac8 21.Nd2
Bb5 22.Bxb5 Qxb5 23.Ne3 Bb4
24.Kg2 Nc6 25.a3 Ba5 26.b4 Bb6
27.Nf3 [Draw agreed] ½-½

Klaty,Trenton (1080) -
Malburg,Drew (1471) [B10] Caro-
Kann Defense 2023 PHCC
Championships Port Huron (6),
16.02.2023

1.e4 c6 2.e5 d5 3.exd6 Qxd6
4.Nf3 Bf5 5.d4 e6 6.Bc4 Nf6 7.Nc3
Be7 8.Bg5 Nd5 9.Bxe7 Qxe7 10.0-0
Nxc3 11.bxc3 0-0 12.Qc1 Nd7
13.Rb1 Nf6 14.Qb2 b6 15.Ne5
Qc7 16.f3 Nd5 17.Bd3 Bxd3
18.Nxd3 f6 19.Rfe1 Rfe8 20.g3
Qd6 21.c4 Ne7 22.Re4 Red8 23.c5
bxc5 24.dxc5 Qd5 ½-½

West,Tony (1897) -
Wingrove,William (1558) [D94]
Grunfeld 2023 PHCC
Championships Port Huron (6),
16.02.2023

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Nf3
Bg7 5.Bf4 c5 6.e3 0-0 7.Be2 Nc6
8.0-0 cxd4 9.exd4 Bg4 10.Re1
Bxf3 11.Bxf3 e6 12.cxd5 exd5
13.Bg5 Ne7 14.Qb3 Re8 15.Rad1
Qd7 16.h4 Rad8 17.Qa3 Nc6
18.Nxd5 Rxe1+ 19.Rxe1 Re8
20.Rxe8+ Nxe8 21.Ne7+ Nxe7
22.Qxe7 Qxe7 23.Bxe7 Bxd4
24.Bxb7 Bxb2 25.Bc5 a5 26.Kf1
Kg7 27.Ke2 Kf6 28.Kd3 Ke5
29.Bc6 Ng7 30.Bb6 Nf5 31.Bxa5
Bd4 32.Bc7+ Kf6 33.g4 Ne7
34.Kxd4 Nxc6+ 35.Kc5 Ne7
36.Bd8 Ke6 37.Bxe7 Kxe7 38.a4
1-0

Urick,Ryan - Klaty,Brad (1285)
[D53] QGD 2023 PHCC

Championships Port Huron (6),
16.02.2023

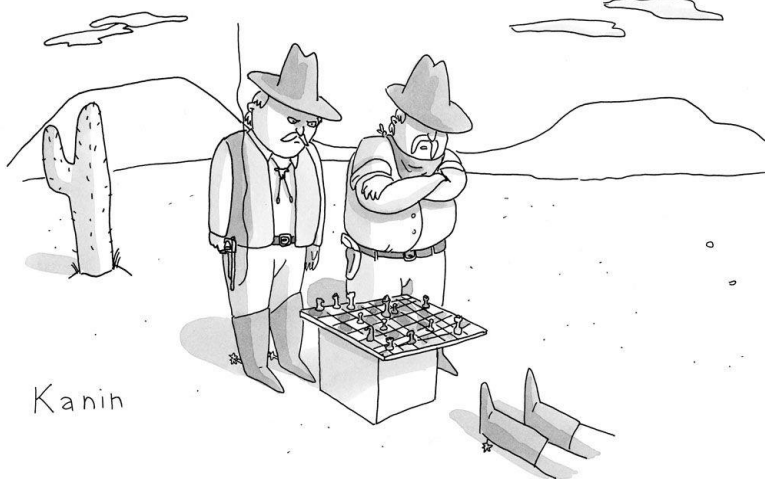
1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5
Be7 5.e3 h6 6.Bh4 b6 7.f4 0-0
8.Nf3 c5 9.Bd3 Nc6 10.a3 a6 11.0-0
Ng4 12.Bxe7 Nxe7 13.Qe2 Nf5
14.Bxf5 exf5 15.Nxd5 Bb7 16.h3
Bxd5 17.cxd5 Nf6 18.dxc5 Ne4
19.c6 Ng3 20.Qd3 Nxf1 21.Rxf1
g6 22.Rd1 Qd6 23.Ne5 b5 24.Qd4
Rfe8 25.Nd7 Red8 26.Nc5 Qc7
27.Nb7 Re8 28.Rc1 Re4 29.Qc5
Rc4 30.Rxc4 bxc4 31.d6 Qc8
32.d7 Qc7 33.d8Q+ Rxd8 34.Nxd8
Qxd8 35.c7 Qc8 36.Qd6 Kg7
37.Qd8 Qe6 38.Kf2 Qe4 39.Qd4+
1-0

Fisher,Sandi - Kuhn,Tim (1500)
[C44] Scotch Gambit 2023 PHCC
Championships Port Huron (6),
16.02.2023

1.d3 Nf6 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.c3 e5 4.e4
Be7 5.Be2 0-0 6.0-0 d5 7.Nbd2
Bd7 8.c4 d4 9.b3 Ne8 10.Bb2 g6
11.Qc2 Ng7 12.Rae1 f5 13.Nb1
Nh5 14.Nc3 dxc3 15.Qxc3 Bf6
16.Bc1 Nf4 17.Bd1 fxe4 18.dxe4
Be6 19.Qb4 Nd3 20.Bc2 Ncxb4
21.Rd1 Nxc2 22.Rxd3 Qxd3 0-1

2023 PHCC Championships – Standings after Rd. 6

| # | Name | Ratings USCF/PHCC | Dates | | | | | | | | | | | | | Awards |
|----|------------------|----------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|
| | | | 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 | |
| | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | Bye | | | | | 6 |
| 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 | |
| | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | | Bye | 0.5 | | 1 | | | 5.5 |
| 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 | |
| | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | Bye | | | | | | | 6 |
| 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 | |
| | | | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0.5 | 1 | Bye | | | 0.5 | | | | | 4 |
| 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 | |
| | 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 | 0 | 0.5 | Bye | 0 | 0 | | | | | | | | 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 | |
| | | | 0.5 | 1 | Bye | 0.5 | 0 | | | | | | | | | 2 |
| 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 | |
| | | | 1 | Bye | 1 | 0 | | 0 | | | | | | | | 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 | |
| | | | Bye | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | | | | | | | | 1 |
| 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 | 1 | 0.5 | | | | | | | Bye | 1.5 |
| 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 | 1 | | | | | | | | Bye | | 1 |
| 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 | |
| | | | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.5 | | 0.5 | | | | | Bye | | | 2 |
| 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 | 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 | |
| | | | 0.5 | 1 | 0.5 | 0.5 | Bye | 1 | | | | | 0 | | | 3.5 |



"He was right, you know—a queen can move as many spaces as she likes."

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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!

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.**