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## CHESS CLUB NEWS

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### CLUB ATTENDANCE INCREASES

Attendance and activity has increased since the recent move to American Legion Post Number 32. Located on Fifth Street just south of Capitol Street, meetings are held Wednesday nights, 6:00 to 10 p.m. In addition to pick up games, any given evening may provide round robin tournaments, speed chess "risers", or a review of games. As TV game show host Monty Hall would say, "Come on down!"

### TOURNAMENT NEWS

Mark your calendars! The Springfield Chess Club will be holding several tournaments this year. One day tournaments are planned for April 9 and July 16. A two-day tournament is tentatively scheduled for November 19-20. Locations and starting times will be announced in the next newsletter.

Other tournaments of interest to club members:

March 5-6	Greater Peoria Open, 5-SS, 40/100;
March 25-27	Mid-America Class Championships Ramada O'Hare, Rosemont, IL, 5-SS, 40/2;
April 20-24	Chicago International, 9-SS, 40/2
April 22-24	Chicago Amateur, 5-SS, 40/2 (both to be held at Hyatt Regency Hotel in Oak Brook, Illinois)
May 27-30	Chicago Open

### MOTE TOPS ROUND ROBIN TOURNAMENT

15 players participated in two divisions which ended with a stunning performance by David Mote. David took first place with a perfect 6-0 in the Premier Division. In the Reserve Division, Bill Wendling and Larry Stroth emerged as co-champions with 5-1 performances. Of note was the performance of the club's youngest member, Christine Skaar. Earning a victory in the adult-dominated tournament, Christine demonstrated that she is no easy mark. Way to go, Christine!

Results of the tournament:

**ROUND ROBIN (continued)**

**Premier Division**

1. David Mote	6-0
2. Dr. Richard Kujoth	4½-1½
3. Tom Barnard	3½-2½
4. Lenny Ferguson	2-4
5. Andy Skaar	2-4
6. Dave Bononi	1½-4½
7. Tom Knoedler	1½-4½

**Reserve Division**

Bill Wendling	5-1
Jeff Niemoeller	4-3
Paul Johnson	3-3
Brian Catherwood	2-4
Wendy Edwards	2-4
Christine Skaar	1-5
M. Mkhaidze	0-1
LARRY SHROTH	5-1 *



Game of 12/15/93 between T. Barnard (white) and D. Mote (black) Sicilian Defense:

White	Black	White	Black	White	Black
1. e4	c5	11. Bd3 *	Bb7	21. Nf5+	exN
2. Nf3	d6	12. Rhe1	h6	22. exf5+	Kd7
3. d4	cxd4	13. Bh4	Rac8	23. f6	RxB
4. Nxd4	Nf6	14. a3	g5!	24. Re7+	Kd8
5. Nc3	a6	15. Bg3	gxf4	25. RxQ	KxR
6. Bg5	e6	16. Bh4	Ne5	26. Rf1	NxB
7. f4	Be7	17. Qxf4	Ng6	27. cxdN	Re8
8. Qf3	Qc7	18. BxN!?	NxQ	28. Rd2	Re6
9. O-O-O	Nbd7	19. BxR	Bg5	29. Rc2	Kd7
10. g4	b5	20. Kb1	Ke7	30. Ne2	Rxf6 (0-1)

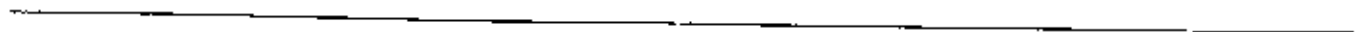
\*(leaving the book line, 11.Bxf6, Nxf6 12.g5, Nd7 13.f5 ...)

**NOTE SHARES FIRST IN KANSAS CITY OPEN**

After winning the club's round robin tournament, David Mote headed west to participate in the Kansas City Open held in January. After drawing a bye in Round 1, David defeated players rated at 2015, 2105, and 2138. This, along with a draw against a rated 2078 player gave David a share of first prize in the open section of this more than 160-player tournament. Congrats David!

**MEMBER YET? TIME TO JOIN!**

Due to mailing costs, the Club can no longer afford to continue sending the newsletter to non-members. Your \$5 membership will continue to keep you on the mailing list. Join at a meeting or use the form below. Send your \$5 to our treasurer, Dave Bononi. Enjoy the benefits of club membership!



Dave,

Sign me up for the Springfield Chess Club. Here's my \$5!

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