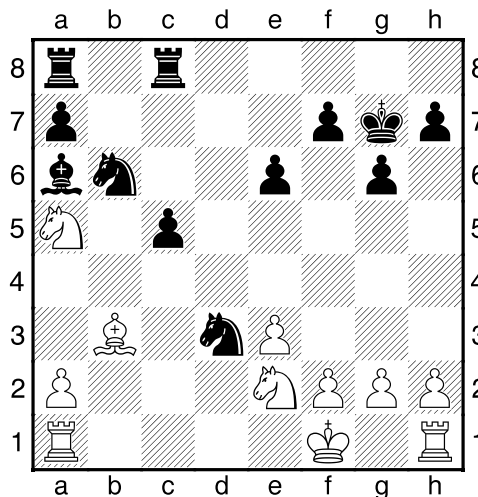


## Reflections on the Chess Western Province Open 2020 by Dr Lyndon Bouah

The 2020 edition had some top players over the weekend of the 7-8 March. FM Daniel Barrish joined other SA Closed champions IM Watu Kobese, FM Calvin Klaasen, FM Shabier Bhawoodien at the event. The ladies were represented by WCM Rebecca Selkirk and Robyn Van Niekerk. I was impressed with the piece play in the following positions.

How did former SA junior champion Craig Willenberg pick up the errant knight on a5 in the following position against the dangerous Bruce Masama?

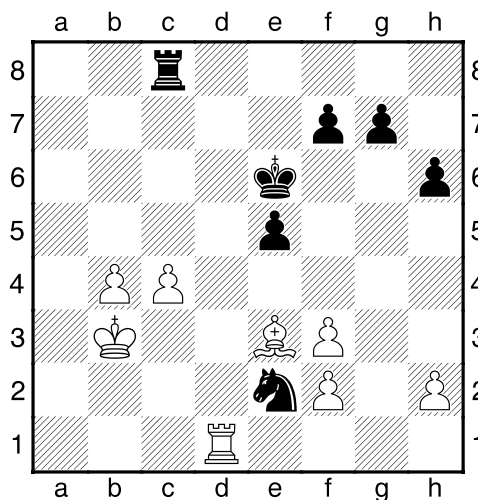


Willenberg played pawn to c4, followed by Rc5 picking up the knight which has run out of squares!

### (4) Masama,B – Willenberg,C [D94]

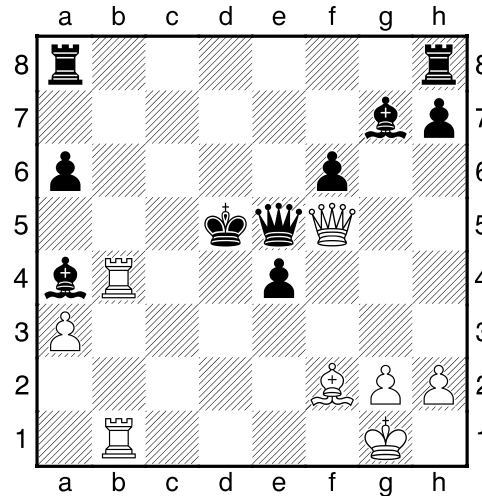
(1), 07.03.2020 1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.e3 Bg7 4.c4 d5 5.Nc3 0-0 6.Be2 dxc4 7.Bxc4 c5 8.dxc5 Qxd1+ 9.Nxd1 Nbd7 10.c6 bxc6 11.Nc3 Nb6 12.Bb3 Ba6 13.Bd2 Nfd5 14.Nd4 Nb4 15.Nce2 Nd3+ 16.Kf1 c5 17.Nc6 e6 18.Bc3 Nxb2 19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Ke1 Nd3+ 21.Kf1 Rfc8 22.Na5 c4 23.Bc2 Rc5 24.Nc3 Rxa5 25.Ke2 Nd5 26.Kd2 Nxc3 27.Kxc3 Ra3+ 28.Kd2 c3+ 0-1

What did Ethan Samuels play against James Allison in the following position?



Re1 wins the knight as any move will lead to a capture as the e pawn is pinned!

The young Albrecht Van Zyl has shown himself to be quite an attacking player. What did he play in this position against Rebecca Selkirk?

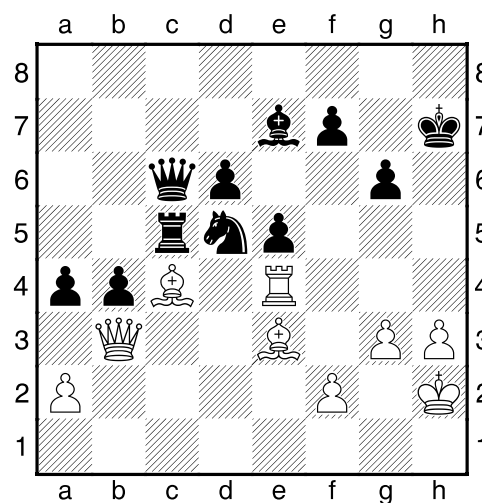


It's a chaotic position with Selkirk's king in the middle of the board. Van Zyl played 32. Rd1+ forcing Bxd1 to which he responded with 33. Qd7+ and after Qd6 White won with 34.Rd4+. A very nice attacking game!

**(31) Van Zyl,A – Selkirk,R [B23]**

(2), 07.03.2020 1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 d6 3.f4 g6 4.Nf3 Bg7 5.Bc4 e6 6.d4 cxd4 7.Nxd4 a6 8.Be3 Nc6 9.0-0 Nf6 10.Nxc6 bxc6 11.e5 Nd5 12.Bxd5 cxd5 13.exd6 Qxd6 14.Bd4 f6 15.b4 Qxb4 16.Rb1 Qc4 17.a3 Bd7 18.Rb4 Qc7 19.f5 gxf5 20.Qh5+ Kf8 21.Rfb1 Bc6 22.Qh4 e5 23.Bc5+ Kf7 24.Na4 Bb5 25.Qh5+ Ke6 26.Bb6 Qc6 27.c4 Bxa4 28.Bf2 Qc7 29.cxd5+ Kxd5 30.Qf3+ e4 31.Qxf5+ Qe5 32.Rd1+ Bxd1 33.Qd7+ Qd6 34.Rd4+ 1-0

In the following position Bhawoodien and Kleinsmidt are two warriors who love to play attacking chess. Check this position:



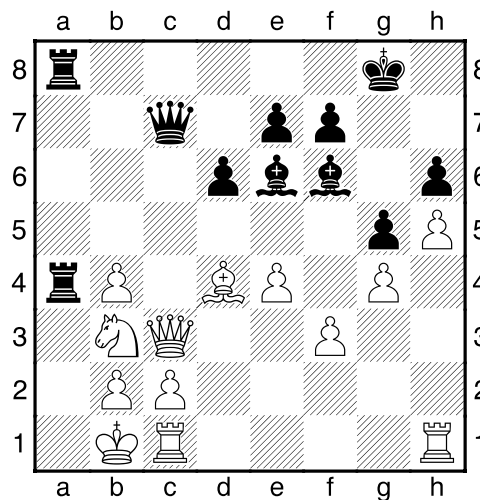
Black is in the ascendancy as there are many threats in this position. White decided to play 43. Bxd5 to which Black replied ab3 and after 44. Bxc6 the b pawn went for promotion with ba! Enjoy the game!

**(39) Bhawoodien,S – Kleinsmidt,C [C96]**

(4), 08.03.2020

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 d6 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 Be7 8.c3 0-0 9.h3 Na5 10.Bc2 c5 11.d4 cxd4 12.cxd4 Qc7 13.Nc3 Bb7 14.d5 Rac8 15.Bd3 Nc4 16.b3 Nb6 17.Bd2 Nbd7 18.Rc1 Qb8 19.Nh4 g6 20.Bh6 Rfe8 21.g3 Nc5 22.Bb1 b4 23.Na4 Nxa4 24.Rxc8 Rxc8 25.bxa4 a5 26.Bd3 Rc3 27.Qe2 Bc8 28.Bd2 Rc5 29.Kg2 Bd7 30.Bh6 Bxa4 31.Qd2 Bd7 32.Nf5 Bxf5 33.exf5 Rxd5 34.Qc2 Rc5 35.Qb1 Qe8 36.fxg6 hxg6 37.Kh2 Nd5 38.Qb3 Bf8 39.Bd2 Kh7 40.Re4 Be7 41.Bc4 Qc6 42.Be3 a4 43.Bxd5 axb3 44.Bxc6 bxa2 45.Bxc5 a1Q 46.Bxb4 Qa6 47.Bd5 Qd3 48.Ba8 d5 49.Bxe7 Qxe4 50.Bg5 Qf5 51.Be3 d4 52.g4 Qc8 0-1

In the next position young Alexander van Der Merwe has just played Qc3. What did Nico Martin play in this position which ended the game immediately?



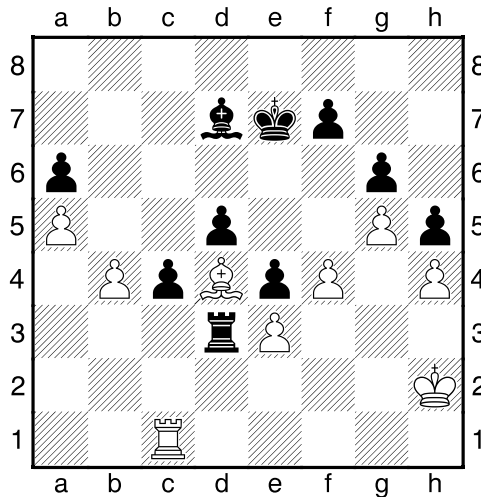
Martin, who is a sharp tactical player, continued with Ra1+ which forces Nxa1 when Ba2+ is a unique mate.

**(44) Van Der Merwe,A – Martin,N [B78]**

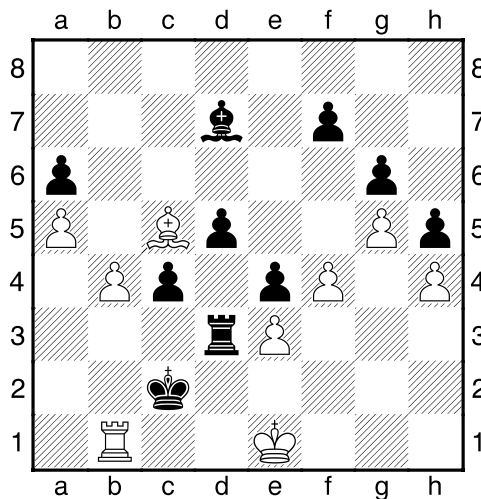
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1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 Nc6 8.Bc4 0-0 9.Qd2 Bd7 10.0-0-0 Rc8 11.Bb3 Ne5 12.Kb1 Re8 13.g4 b5 14.Nd5 a5 15.a3 Nc4 16.Bxc4 Rxc4 17.Nxf6+ Bxf6 18.h4 Qc7 19.h5 g5 20.Nb3 Rc8 21.Rc1 h6 22.Nxa5 Ra4 23.Nb3 b4 24.axb4 Be6 25.Bd4 Rca8 26.Qc3 Ra1+ 0-1

In the following James Allison has the advantage. So how does he convert his advantage.



Allison decided that the best is to march his king over to the queenside to support the pawn. In the endgame the king is a fighting piece as well! The game ended after this position:



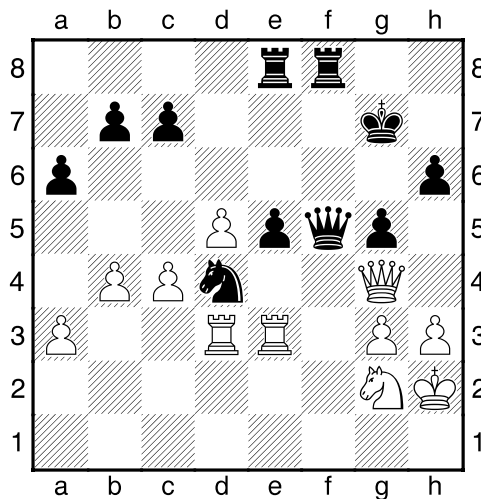
The Black king had marched majestically for seven consecutive moves! Enjoy the game.

### (47) November,E – Allison,J [A40]

(4), 08.03.2020

1.d4 e6 2.e3 d5 3.Bd3 Nf6 4.Nd2 c5 5.c3 Nc6 6.f4 Be7 7.Ngf3 0-0 8.0-0 Rb8 9.Ne5 Bd7 10.Rf3 b5 11.Rh3 g6 12.g4 b4 13.g5 Nxe5 14.dxe5 Ne8 15.Qg4 Kg7 16.Qh4 Rh8 17.Qh6+ Kg8 18.Nf3 Bf8 19.Qh4 Bb5 20.Bc2 bxc3 21.bxc3 Be2 22.Ne1 Ng7 23.a4 Nf5 24.Bxf5 exf5 25.Qf2 Bg4 26.Rg3 h5 27.h4 Kg7 28.Qa2 Be7 29.Ba3 Qd7 30.Nd3 Rhc8 31.e6 Qxe6 32.Rb1 Rxb1+ 33.Qxb1 Qb6 34.Qa2 Qe6 35.a5 Bd6 36.Bb2 c4 37.Nf2 Bc5 38.Bc1 Rb8 39.Kh2 Rb3 40.Kg2 Qe8 41.Nd3 Bd6 42.Nb4 Bc5 43.Kh2 Qe4 44.Qd2 Bxb4 45.cxb4 Rd3 46.Qg2 Rd1 47.Bb2+ Kf8 48.Qxe4 fxe4 49.Bd4 a6 50.Rg1 Rd3 51.Ra1 Bd7 52.Rc1 Ke7 53.Kg3 Kd6 54.Bc5+ Kc6 55.Kf2 Kb5 56.Ke1 Ka4 57.Rd1 Kb3 58.Rb1+ Kc2 59.Ra1 Bb5 60.f5 gxf5 61.Ra2+ Kb3 62.Rf2 c3 63.Bd4 c2 64.Rxc2 Kxc2 0-1

Combinations are always fun to see in execution! Robyn Van Niekerk ended second at the SA Closed in 2019. What did Robyn play against Litha Hempe from UCT in the position after Hempe offered the exchange of queens?



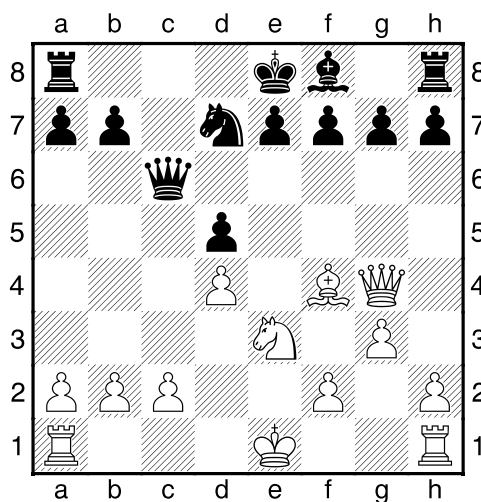
Van Niekerk played Rxd4 seeing that after the e pawn captures then the Re8 will be undefended in subsequent exchanges. Hempte then seeing this played ed4 and after Qxf5 he responded with Rxe3. Van Niekerk was not done yet and responded with Nxe3! So that after Rxf5 she replied Nxf5+ remaining piece up! A nice combination by the SA Olympiad player!

**(48) Van Niekerk,R – Hempte,L [A50]**

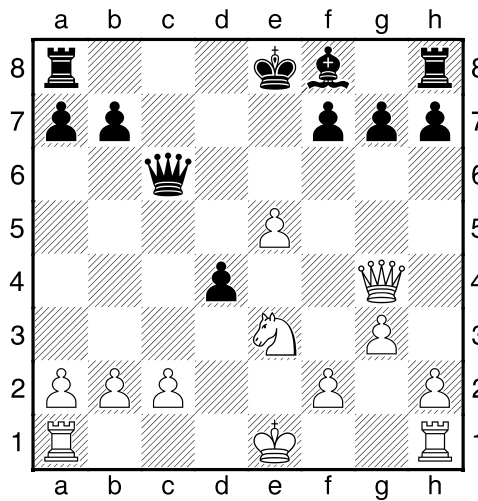
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1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 Nc6 3.g3 e5 4.d5 Ne7 5.Bg2 Ng6 6.a3 Bc5 7.Nc3 a6 8.e4 d6 9.h3 0-0 10.Nf3 Rb8 11.0-0 Bd7 12.b4 Ba7 13.Qc2 Nh5 14.Kh2 f5 15.exf5 Bxf5 16.Qe2 Nf6 17.Be3 Bxe3 18.Qxe3 Qe7 19.Rad1 h6 20.Rfe1 Qf7 21.Rd2 Ne7 22.Nh4 Bh7 23.Ne4 Nxe4 24.Bxe4 Bxe4 25.Qxe4 g5 26.Ng2 Nf5 27.Rd3 Nd4 28.f4 Rbe8 29.fxe5 dxe5 30.Ree3 Kg7 31.Qg4 Qf5 32.Rxd4 exd4 33.Qxf5 Rxe3 34.Nxe3 Rxf5 35.Nxf5+ Kf6 36.Nxd4 Ke5 37.Nf3+ Ke4 38.Kg2 a5 39.bxa5 h5 40.Nxg5+ Kd4 41.Ne6+ Kxc4 42.Nxc7 Kc5 43.g4 hxg4 44.hxg4 Kd6 45.g5 1-0

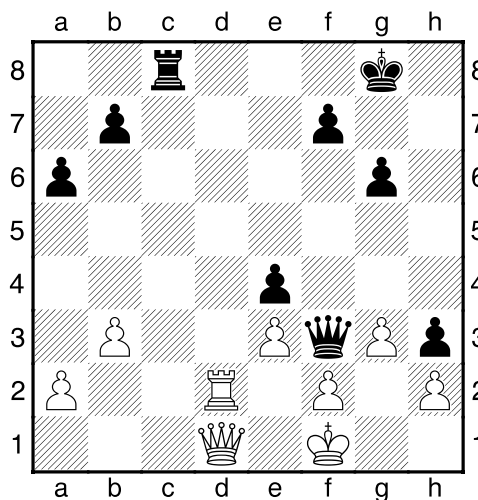
Tactically Craig Willenberg is a great tactical player! What did he notice in this position against Seadimo Kedama?



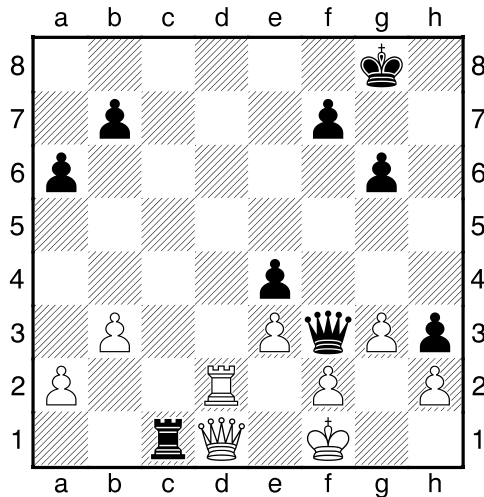
Craig spotted an undefended rook on h1 or the possible win of a Bishop as it has no retreat square!!! He essayed pawn to e5 to which Kedama responded with Bxe5 and after NxBe5 d4xNe5 then pawn to d4 attacks the knight and rook. If the bishop moves to g5 then it will be caught on h4!



FM Dr Shabier Bhawoodien is often teased about carrying a bag full of tricks with him to tournaments. But of course, we know that it is actually his tactical acumen and years of experience that he brings with! What did FM Bhawoodien teach young Allison in the following position? What move would you play for Black?



Bhawoodien played Rc1 pinning the Queen on d1 to the king. And after Rd8+ followed by Kg7. White then took the rook to which Bhawoodien replied with Qh1+ ending the game.



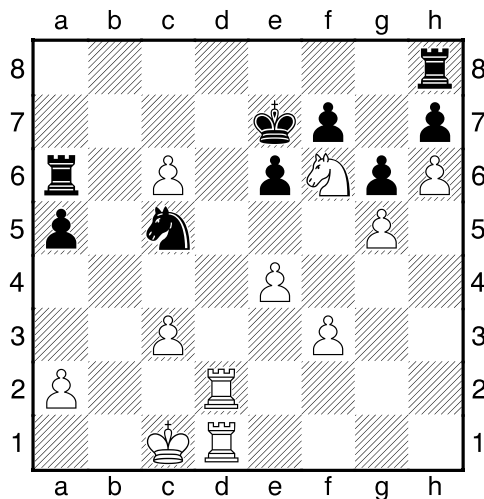
I thought it was particularly instructive how the black h pawn marched down from its position to create a threat to the white king!

**(54) Allison,J – Bhawoodien,S [D02]**

(5), 08.03.2020

1.Nf3 d5 2.g3 c5 3.Bg2 Nc6 4.d4 Nf6 5.0-0 e6 6.b3 Be7 7.Bb2 0-0 8.Nbd2 a6 9.c4 Ne4 10.dxc5 Nxd2 11.Nxd2 Bxc5 12.cxd5 exd5 13.Nf3 Re8 14.Rc1 Bf8 15.Qd2 Bf5 16.Nd4 Nxd4 17.Bxd4 Be4 18.e3 Ba3 19.Bb2 Bxb2 20.Qxb2 h5 21.Rfd1 Qg5 22.Rc5 Qg4 23.Qd2 h4 24.Bxe4 dxe4 25.Qd7 Re6 26.Qd5 g6 27.Qd2 h3 28.Qe1 Ree8 29.Rc2 Rad8 30.Rcd2 Rxd2 31.Rxd2 Qf3 32.Kf1 Rc8 33.Qd1 Rc1 34.Rd8+ Kg7 35.Qxc1 Qh1+ 36.Ke2 Qxc1 0-1

In the following position Lutho Mfazwe, who loves to attack found the move that won a piece. What did he play against Thapelo Matsaung?



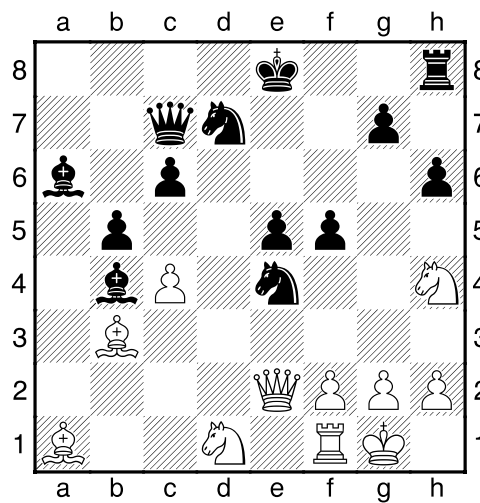
Lutho played Rd7+ and after Nxd7 he followed up with RxNd7 Black resigned as after Kf8 ( only move) Mfazwe would play Rd8+ winning the unprotected rook on h8.

**(66) Mfazwe,L – Matsaung,T [D45]**

(6), 08.03.2020

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 c6 4.e3 Nf6 5.Nf3 Be7 6.Qc2 Nbd7 7.g4 Bb4 8.Bd2 Bxc3 9.Bxc3 Ne4 10.Bd3 Nxc3 11.Qxc3 Qf6 12.Be2 0-0 13.h4 Re8 14.g5 Qe7 15.0-0-0 dxc4 16.h5 b5 17.h6 g6 18.d5 Qf8 19.dxc6 Nb6 20.Ne5 Nd5 21.Qd4 c3 22.e4 Qb4 23.Qxb4 Nxb4 24.bxc3 Na6 25.Bxb5 Nc5 26.f3 a6 27.Bc4 Kf8 28.Rd2 Ke7 29.Ng4 a5 30.Nf6 Rh8 31.Rhd1 Ba6 32.Bxa6 Rxa6 33.Rd7+ Nxd7 34.Rxd7+ 1-0

Not castling early can have serious consequences. Olympiad player Selkirk played an aggressive final round against Bruce Masama in which tactics abound!



Selkirk played Nh4 and after this the fun started! Enjoy playing through this game!

**(69) Selkirk,R – Masama,B [C41]**

(6), 08.03.2020

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 Nbd7 4.Nf3 e5 5.dxe5 dxe5 6.Bc4 Be7 7.a3 c6 8.b4 b5 9.Bb3 Qc7 10.Bb2 h6 11.Qd2 a5 12.Nd1 axb4 13.axb4 Rxa1 14.Bxa1 Nxe4 15.Qe2 f5 16.0-0 Bxb4 17.c4 Ba6 18.Nh4 bxc4 19.Bxc4 Bxc4 20.Qxc4 Be7 21.Nxf5 Nd6 22.Nxg7+ Kd8 23.Ne6+ Kc8 24.Qa6+ Qb7 25.Qa5 Nc4 26.Qa2 Ndb6 27.Ne3 Nxe3 28.fxe3 Bd6 29.Rb1 Kd7 30.Bxe5 Re8 31.Bd4 Rxe6 32.Bxb6 Bc7 33.Bc5 Qc8 34.Rd1+ Bd6 35.Bxd6 1-0

Let's have a look at all the sections with some light comments.



1. In the Under 10 section 4 players tied on 4/5 with Emlyn Wilson and Mila Snyman having exactly the same tiebreak!

### Final Ranking crosstable after 5 Rounds

Rk.	Name	Rtg	FED	1.Rd	2.Rd	3.Rd	4.Rd	5.Rd	Pts.	TB1	TB2	TB3
1	Wilson Emlyn	746	RSA	5w1	2b0	12w1	9b1	4w1	4,0	0,0	16,0	14,0
2	Snyman Mila Marie	596	RSA	8w1	1w1	3b0	13b1	5w1	4,0	0,0	16,0	14,0
3	Goosen Chris	733	RSA	14w1	10b1	2w1	4b0	6w1	4,0	0,0	15,0	13,0
4	Small Quade	693	RSA	12w1	11b1	7w1	3w1	1b0	4,0	0,0	15,0	13,0
5	Wang Zijue Oakley	615	RSA	1b0	8b1	10w1	6w1	2b0	3,0	0,0	16,0	14,0
6	Paterson Calum	0	RSA	7w1	13b1	9w1	5b0	3b0	3,0	0,0	15,0	13,0
7	Smeda Joshua Trent	651	RSA	6b0	15w1	4b0	10w1	13w1	3,0	0,0	13,0	11,0
8	De Villiers Peter-Alan	741	RSA	2b0	5w0	18b1	11b1	12w1	3,0	0,0	11,0	11,0
9	Hagen Sophia	715	RSA	15b1	18w1	6b0	1w0	11b1	3,0	0,0	11,0	11,0
10	Gerber Adam	0	RSA	17w1	3w0	5b0	7b0	14w1	2,0	0,0	13,0	12,0
11	Joya Imkhita	0	RSA	16b1	4w0	14b1	8w0	9w0	2,0	0,0	13,0	12,0
12	Cloete Joel	500	RSA	4b0	16w1	1b0	18w1	8b0	2,0	0,0	12,0	12,0
13	Jacobs Teleah	794	RSA	18b1	6w0	16b1	2w0	7b0	2,0	0,0	11,0	11,0
14	Kuhn Max	595	RSA	3b0	17b1	11w0	15w1	10b0	2,0	0,0	11,0	10,0
15	Burger Jana	549	RSA	9w0	7b0	17w1	14b0	16b1	2,0	0,0	10,0	9,0
16	Smith Gabrielle	660	RSA	11w0	12b0	13w0	17b1	15w0	1,0	1,0	9,0	8,0
17	Korobebe Olesego Kagiso	686	RSA	10b0	14w0	15b0	16w0	18b1	1,0	0,0	7,0	7,0
18	Macilikishe Anda	0	RSA	13w0	9b0	8w0	12b0	17w0	0,0	0,0	11,0	10,0
19	April Tamlin	625	RSA	-0	-0	-0	-0	-0	0,0	0,0	10,0	9,0
20	Van De Vyver Mia	599	RSA	-0	-0	-0	-0	-0	0,0	0,0	10,0	9,0

#### Annotation:

Tie Break1: Direct Encounter (The results of the players in the same point group)

Tie Break2: [Buchholz Tie-Breaks \(variabel with parameter\)](#)

Tie Break3: [Buchholz Tie-Breaks \(variabel with parameter\)](#)

2. In the development section Paul Wilson scored 5/5 to win the section.

### Final Ranking crosstable after 5 Rounds

Rk.	Name	Rtg	FED	1.Rd	2.Rd	3.Rd	4.Rd	5.Rd	Pts.	TB1	TB2	TB3
1	Wilson Paul Michael	0	RSA	33b1	30w1	27b1	13w1	4w1	5,0	0,0	14,5	12,5
2	Rabiu Abdul Hamid	0	RSA	16w1	14b1	28w1	10w½	9b1	4,5	0,0	15,0	13,0
3	Koert Isaac	0	RSA	61b1	9w½	42b1	29w1	10b1	4,5	0,0	11,0	10,0
4	Kabongo Mark	0	RSA	36b1	5w1	17b1	6w1	1b0	4,0	0,0	18,0	16,0
5	Strydom Matthys	718	RSA	19w1	4b0	44w1	12b1	14b1	4,0	0,0	14,0	13,0
6	Nkopo Ayabulela	789	RSA	34w1	31b1	12w1	4b0	16w1	4,0	0,0	14,0	12,0
7	Gundappa Shreedar	0	RSA	38w1	15b0	40w1	28b1	18b1	4,0	0,0	12,0	10,0
8	Cloete Nieka	704	RSA	50b1	45w1	13b0	27w+	17w1	4,0	0,0	10,0	9,5
9	Kim Tae Heon	646	RSA	32w1	3b½	23w1	21b1	2w0	3,5	0,0	17,5	15,0
10	September Jordan	500	RSA	21w1	29b1	15w1	2b½	3w0	3,5	0,0	16,5	15,0

11	Ngubo Lisakhanya	0	RSA	18b1	17w0	25b½	42w1	13b1	3,5	0,0	13,0	11,5
12	Esterhuizen Anthony	500	RSA	22b1	20w1	6b0	5w0	29b1	3,0	0,0	15,5	14,0
13	Julies Justin	0	RSA	35b1	37w1	8w1	1b0	11w0	3,0	0,0	15,5	14,0
14	Botha Derick	626	RSA	46b1	2w0	20b1	15b1	5w0	3,0	0,0	15,0	14,5
15	Warren Tristan	734	RSA	25b1	7w1	10b0	14w0	33b1	3,0	0,0	15,0	13,0
16	Badenhorst Bernard	640	RSA	2b0	49w1	48b1	22w1	6b0	3,0	0,0	14,5	13,0
17	Burger Marius	611	RSA	44w1	11b1	4w0	38b1	8b0	3,0	0,0	14,0	13,0
18	Bothma Teagan	663	RSA	11w0	39b1	46w1	19b1	7w0	3,0	0,0	13,0	12,5
19	Isaacs Munthir	0	RSA	5b0	35w1	26b1	18w0	43b1	3,0	0,0	12,5	11,0
20	Adonis Dylan	792	RSA	39w1	12b0	14w0	30b1	28w1	3,0	0,0	12,5	10,5

3. In the Prestige Section Virgel Titus scored 6/6. The best female in the Prestige section was Ameera Yacoob .

#### Final Ranking crosstable after 6 Rounds

Rk.	Name	Rtg	FED	1.Rd	2.Rd	3.Rd	4.Rd	5.Rd	6.Rd	Pts.	TB1	TB2	TB3
1	Titus Virgel	1263	RSA	72w1	38b1	12w1	21b1	5w1	4b1	6,0	0,0	25,0	22,0
2	Nkuna Nathaniel	1182	RSA	119w1	42b1	20w½	41b1	11w1	3w1	5,5	0,0	21,0	20,0
3	Chironda Sean Kudzai	500	RSA	29b1	33w1	23b1	26w1	6w1	2b0	5,0	0,0	26,0	22,5
4	Nel Rowan	1240	RSA	84b1	66w1	18b1	8w1	24b1	1w0	5,0	0,0	25,0	22,5
5	Raubenheimer Granton	1265	RSA	79w1	28b1	32w1	54b1	1b0	17w1	5,0	0,0	24,0	21,5
6	Sawyer Byrone	1194	RSA	68w1	45b1	22w1	53w1	3b0	21b1	5,0	0,0	21,0	19,0
7	Temoore Farouk	1115	RSA	135w1	20b0	52w1	57b1	27b1	23w1	5,0	0,0	19,0	17,5
8	Londt Juvan	1175	RSA	117w1	92b1	57w1	4b0	59w1	22b1	5,0	0,0	18,5	17,0
9	Mchontsi Ayabonga	1206	RSA	94w1	48b1	53b0	71w1	56b1	24w1	5,0	0,0	18,5	16,5
10	Yacoob Ameera	1259	RSA	52w0	119b1	42w1	60b1	61w1	31b1	5,0	0,0	18,0	17,0
11	Muller Euan A	1215	RSA	122b1	25w1	39b½	16w1	2b0	46w1	4,5	0,0	23,5	21,0
12	Nonco Lwazi	1172	RSA	126b1	58w1	1b0	29w1	53b1	14w½	4,5	0,0	22,0	21,0
13	Chiriya Takudzwa	1218	RSA	15b1	56w1	24b0	63w1	46b½	39w1	4,5	0,0	21,0	18,0
14	Mutunhire Romeo	1263	RSA	58b0	101w1	80w1	36b1	34w1	12b½	4,5	0,0	20,5	18,5
15	Van Der Merwe Keenan	942	RSA	13w0	110b1	38w½	79b1	41w1	40b+	4,5	0,0	19,5	17,5
16	Botes Renier	1155	RSA	61w1	80b½	113w1	11b0	83w1	38b1	4,5	0,0	18,5	16,5
17	Davey Jade	1164	RSA	123w1	118b1	41w½	20b1	40w1	5b0	4,5	0,0	17,5	17,0
18	Du Preez Lienke	1167	RSA	129w1	52b1	4w0	92b1	54w1	20b½	4,5	0,0	17,5	16,5
19	Van Tonder Wium	1218	RSA	132w1	55b0	79w½	88b1	44w1	50w1	4,5	0,0	15,5	15,0
20	Bell Ayakha	1261	RSA	97b1	7w1	2b½	17w0	81b+	18w½	4,0	0,0	25,0	22,5

4. In the Elite Christopher Londt and Dante Eaton scored 5.5. each in this section with Londt having a tiebreak. Best female player was Natasha Joubert and the best over fifty players was Andrew Talmarkes.

### Final Ranking crosstable after 6 Rounds

Rk.		Name	Rtg	FED	1.Rd	2.Rd	3.Rd	4.Rd	5.Rd	6.Rd	Pts.	TB1	TB2	TB3
1		Londt Christopher	1648	RSA	28w1	6b1	20w1	9b1	2w½	7b1	5,5	0,5	23,5	21,0
2	CM	Eaton Dante	1615	RSA	23w1	47b1	12w1	3b1	1b½	10w1	5,5	0,5	23,0	21,5
3		Lee Joel	1382	RSA	7w1	25b1	13b1	2w0	21w1	15b1	5,0	0,0	23,0	20,0
4		Ressel Tane	1446	RSA	15w1	21b½	22w½	20b1	9w1	11w1	5,0	0,0	20,0	17,5
5		Galleid Stephen	1636	RSA	27w1	10b1	24w½	8b½	6w½	22b1	4,5	0,5	21,5	18,5
6		Boshoff Chris	1471	RSA	38b1	1w0	46b1	37w1	5b½	16w1	4,5	0,5	19,0	17,5
7		Walters Wouter	1593	RSA	3b0	39w1	30b1	12w1	23b1	1w0	4,0	0,0	22,5	20,5
8		Siyo Sibabale	1559	RSA	14b½	18w1	34b1	5w½	10b0	26w1	4,0	0,0	21,5	19,0
9		Mangoro Richard	1519	RSA	40w1	46b1	11b1	1w0	4b0	23w1	4,0	0,0	21,0	19,5
10		Van Tonder Charl	1458	RSA	37b1	5w0	42b1	26w1	8w1	2b0	4,0	0,0	21,0	19,0
11		Mnyasta Charlton	1654	RSA	31w1	26b1	9w0	24b1	25w1	4b0	4,0	0,0	21,0	18,0
12		Bastiaan Gino	1451	RSA	43w1	17w1	2b0	7b0	39w1	21b1	4,0	0,0	19,5	18,0
13		Jacobs Brandon Lee	1545	RSA	39w1	29b1	3w0	23b0	27w1	25b1	4,0	0,0	19,0	17,0
14		De Vries Cheslin	1376	RSA	8w½	44b1	21w½	25b0	31w1	20b1	4,0	0,0	17,0	15,5
15		Mncwabe Minenhle Junior	1654	RSA	4b0	19w1	16b½	34w1	35b1	3w0	3,5	0,0	22,5	20,0
16		Lee Dafydd	1431	RSA	36w1	20b0	15w½	33b1	24w1	6b0	3,5	0,0	18,5	16,0
17		Talmarkes Andrew	1601	RSA	30w1	12b0	27w0	41b1	22w½	33b1	3,5	0,0	17,5	15,5
18		Ncethelo Bongoletu	1371	RSA	51w1	8b0	26w0	47b1	28w1	24b½	3,5	0,0	17,0	15,5
19		Lee Joshua	1360	RSA	33w½	15b0	40w1	22b0	47w1	35b1	3,5	0,0	15,5	14,0
20		Braaf Jiraan	1504	RSA	55w+	16w1	1b0	4w0	30b1	14w0	3,0	0,0	23,5	21,0

5. FM Daniel Barrish won his first WP Open after having a better tiebreak than IM Watu Kobese who also scored 5/6. IM Kobese ended second after incurring one loss when he was pushing hard against Ethan Samuels. FM Calvin Klaasen ended in third position on tiebreak from 4<sup>th</sup> position Craig Willenberg who both ended on 4.5. I give an honourable mention to Ethan Samuels who played the top four seeds. He lost to Barrish, beat Kobese, drew with Klaasen and lost to teammate Willenberg. Well done Ethan who had a rating performance of 2146.! The best over 50 player was FM Shabier Bhawoodien and the best female player was Rebecca Selkirk. The best junior in the Championship section was Ethan Samuels.

The games were hard fought with the juniors not holding back. The time control caused many games to go into blitz mode towards the end which spoiled some games and positions. I overheard some players apologising to their opponents for winning on time because of the time pressure. Perhaps the time and increment must be looked at in future.

The WP Champion FM Daniel Barrish and the best Female player WCM Rebecca Selkirk is from the Stellenbosch chess club in the Cape Winelands.

Well done WP with 300 players having registered for this event, it shows Chess is active and alive in the Cape metro.

Final Ranking after 6 Rounds									
Rk.	SNo		Name	FED	Rtg	Pts.	TB1	TB2	TB3
1	1	FM	Barrish Daniel	RSA	2352	5	0	23	20
2	2	IM	Kobese Watu	RSA	2336	5	0	20	17
3	3	FM	Klaasen Calvin	RSA	2210	4.5	1	21	20
4	4		Willenberg Craig	RSA	2088	4.5	0	20	18
5	8		Kleinsmidt Cherwin	RSA	1955	4	1	23	21
6	5	FM	Bhwoodien Shabier	RSA	2070	4	0	18	17
7	9		Samuels Ethan	RSA	1896	3.5	0	25	22
8	15		Kedama Sandiso	RSA	1810	3.5	0	21	19
9	19	CM	Flores Bartoli Andrew	RSA	1772	3.5	0	19	18
10	10		Mfazwe Lutho	RSA	1892	3.5	0	18	17
11	14		Cuthbert Michael	RSA	1814	3.5	0	16	15
12	23		Lawrence Gordon	RSA	1720	3	0	18	16
13	12		Van Zyl Albrecht	RSA	1825	3	0	16	15
14	22		Allison James	RSA	1721	3	0	16	14
15	13		Vester Jordan	RSA	1819	3	0	15	13
16	11	WCM	Selkirk Rebecca	RSA	1831	3	0	14	13
17	24		Mnyasta Tezihano	RSA	1719	2.5	0	21	19
18	25		Matsaung Thapelo	RSA	1672	2.5	0	21	18
19	21		Martin Nico	RSA	1728	2.5	0	17	16
20	20		Van Der Merwe Alexander	RSA	1762	2	0	17	16
21	26		November Edwin	RSA	1668	2	0	16	15
22	17		Masama Bruce	RSA	1789	2	0	15	14
23	27		Sithole Anooka	RSA	1508	2	0	13	12
24	16		Van Niekerk Robyn	RSA	1810	1.5	1	17	16
25	18		Hempe Lilitha	RSA	1781	1.5	0	15	14
26	6		James Michael	RSA	2064	0	0	14	13
	7		Willenberg Kenneth	RSA	2048	0	0	14	13



*Three SA closed Champions and Cherwin won the B section in 2017*

The next Swiss event is the Steinitz Open which takes place over the first weekend of April. I look forward to seeing all of you there.



## Steinitz Chess Festival 2020

43<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary



Venue: Sarepta Sport and Recreation Centre, Mission Rd, Kuils River

Map: <https://goo.gl/maps/EsqQwsfdJxNuQKLT7>

Date: 3-5 April 2020

Sections *	Requirements	Entry Fees	Time Control	Dates
A (Chessa rated)	6 Round Swiss (Players with a Chessa\FIDE rating above 1600)	R 250	60/60 + 10sec	Fri 3 – Sun 5 Apr
B (Chessa rated)	6 Round Swiss (Players with a Chessa rating lower than 1600 and higher than 1100)	R 200	60/60 + 10sec	Fri 3 – Sun 5 Apr
C (Chessa rated)	6 Round Swiss (Open to all players rated 1100 and lower)	R 150	60/60 + 10sec	Fri 3 – Sun 5 Apr
Rapid	6 Round Swiss	R 100	20/20	Sat 4 Apr

\* LOC reserves the right to waive criteria in all the sections Tie Break: Direct Encounter, Buchholz, Buchholz Median, Sonneborn-Berger

Date	A, B & C (60/60 + 10sec)	Rapid (20/20)
Fri 3 April	Round 1: 19h30	
Sat 4 April	Round 2: 09h00 Round 3: 12h30 Round 4: 15h30	R1-R6: 09h00 – 15h00 Prize Giving: After last round
Sun 5 April	Round 5: 09h00 Round 6: 12h30 Prize Giving: 15h30	

\* The default time for all sections is 30 minutes

### Prize giving:

A, B and C Sections – Sun 5 April at 15h30

Rapid – Sat 4 April after last round

### Arbiters:

TBA

**ONLINE REGISTRATION:** <http://tinyurl.com/Steinitz2020Entry> - Closing date: 2 April 2020.

**WEB SITE:** <https://www.steinitzchessclub.co.za/festival2020.php>

### PROOF OF PAYMENT:

Please email proof of payment and direct any payment queries to **Marisa Laas** [finance@steinitzchessclub.co.za](mailto:finance@steinitzchessclub.co.za) by 31 March 2020 at 17h00. NO LATE ENTRIES OR PAYMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED. NO ENTRIES AT VENUE.



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## BANKING DETAILS:

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## PAYMENT REFERENCE:

Please use the player's first 3 letters of the player's surname + initials, followed by date of birth in the format of DD MMM YYYY, as the reference number (e.g. **Smij23Jan1973** or **KasG17Nov2001**)

Please bring your own notation pages and pens.

## GUARANTEED PRIZE FUND:

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Female Prize Fund	Total
A	R 4 000	R 2 500	R 1 500	R 1000	R 1500	R 10 500
B	R 2 000	R 1 000	R 750	R 500	R 450	R 4 700
C	R 750	R 500	R 300	R 100	R 150	R 1 800
Rapid	R 500	R 300	R 200			
<b>Total</b>						<b>R 18 000</b>

\* Prize fund may increase based on entries. Prize money for A & B will be paid via eft.

For further information, please feel free to contact LOC: [loc@steinitzchessclub.co.za](mailto:loc@steinitzchessclub.co.za)



Regards  
Dr Lyndon Bouah