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Welcome to the CAWA 2025 April Newsletter

In this edition you will find reports on:

The 2025 WA Allegro Championship, 2025 School Chess League 1st Zonal, 2025 WA Rapid Championship and the 2025 Perth Chess League after the first round.

Also don't forget to pencil in your chess diary the upcoming Bunbury Chess Open on the 17th & 18th of May, proudly hosted by the Bunbury Chess Club.



Last year's event was a great success, with 20 players competing and it is hoped that it will be bigger this year!

Players of all ages, skill levels and experience are invited. Playing a weekend of classical chess is extremely fun, challenging and rewarding and there are prizes and rating points up for grabs for all rating categories, so there's lots to play for!

Entry for the 2025 Bunbury Open is available from the link below:

<https://www.tixtree.com/e/bunbury-chess-open-2025-8ffd886768dd>

Full tournament information, updates, entry forms and results are available from the CAWA website:

<http://www.cawa.org.au>

Submissions for the June 2025 edition of the newsletter should be sent by the 31st of May 2025 to:

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2025 WA Allegro Championship



The 2025 WA Allegro Championship was held on Sunday 16th February, at North Woodvale Primary School (Perth Chess Club). There were 37 participants.

This year's event was a 9 round Swiss with a time control of 12 minutes with 3 seconds increment per move (Fischer).

We are all aware of chess's unique capacity for bringing people of all cultures and ages together. It is fitting that in the last round of the tournament, the tournament's youngest player, Zeno Brackenridge, aged 7, was paired with Australia's most senior active player, 8-time WA Champion Wolfgang Leonhardt, aged 96. Wolfgang's invaluable and continued contributions to Western Australian chess over more than 70 years are applauded by the WA chess community.

All three Championships were closely contested, with the top seed IM Patrick Gong being set back by a Round 3 loss to CM Ashvin Balavignan. However, Patrick ultimately regained the outright lead in the final round, and no playoffs were needed for any of the Championships. The presentation concluded on schedule at 5:45pm.

Congratulations to all prizewinners. Thanks to my assistant arbiters Hui Huang and FM Rebo Fu; Hui also provided several excellent photos. Thanks also to Alan Wolstencroft and Rob Maris for their help in opening and securing the premises and setting up on the day.

Prize Winners & Cross Table are provided below.

See also: <https://chess-results.com/tnr1113074.aspx?lan=1&art=4> for more items of interest.

Report and results kindly provided by: IA Andrew Hardegen (Chief Arbiter - 2025 WA Allegro Championship)

Prize Winners

1st - 2025 WA Allegro Champion: IM Patrick Gong (8.0/9)

=2nd: CM Ashvin Balavignan & CM Daniel Shen (7.0/9)

2025 WA Women's Allegro Champion: WFM Kathryn Hardegen (5.5/9)

2025 WA Seniors' Allegro Champion: Hui Lam Teh (6.0/9)

1st U1750 ACF Quick: Eamon Harris (6.0/9)

2nd U1750 ACF Quick: Rui Zhe (Zac) Teh (5.5/9)

1st U1450 ACF Quick: Aaron Wong (6.0/9)

=2nd U1450 ACF Quick: Angelmo Shanmuganathan, Ricky Huang & Hui Huang (5.0/9)

=1st U1200 ACF Quick: Jaswanth Ram Sethuraman & Nithuli Liyanage (5.0/9)

1st Unrated: Zachary Bryan (6.5/9)

2025 WA Allegro Championship Cross Table

Pos	NAME	Rtg	T	Fed	Pts	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	Gong, Patrick	2468	IM	WA	8.0	+W22	+B12	-W2	+B7	+B3	+W6	+W4	+B13	+W9
2	Balavignan, Ashvin	1744		WA	7.0	+B23	+W18	+B1	+W10	=W4	+B13	+W9	=B3	-W5
3	Shen, Daniel	2248	CM	WA	7.0	+W29	+B8	+W7	=B9	-W1	+B15	+W12	=W2	+B4
4	Fu, Yihe (Rebo)	2336	FM	WA	6.5	+B19	+W21	+B33	+W6	=B2	+W8	-B1	+W10	-W3
5	Bryan, Zachary	0		WA	6.5	-B20	=W23	-B16	+W30	+B21	+W26	+B14	+W6	+B2
6	Teh, Hui Lam	1816		WA	6.0	+F38	+W34	+B14	-B4	+W9	-B1	+W7	-B5	+W13
7	Wong, Aaron	1428		WA	6.0	+B37	+W11	-B3	-W1	+B34	+W14	-B6	+W20	+B19
8	Harris, Eamon	1472		WA	6.0	+B32	-W3	+B19	+W25	+B11	-B4	-W13	+B12	+W15
9	Hardeggen, Kathryn	1784	WFM	WA	5.5	+B16	+W20	+B25	=W3	-B6	+W10	-B2	+W11	-B1
10	Teh, Rui Zhe (Zac)	1603		WA	5.5	=W17	+B15	+W24	-B2	+W28	-B9	+W19	-B4	+B20
11	De Guzman, Jessie	1759		WA	5.5	+W13	-B7	+W22	+B20	-W8	=B19	+W17	-B9	+W24
12	Harirajesh, Barath	1503		WA	5.0	+B30	-W1	+B18	-W14	+B25	+W16	-B3	-W8	+B23
13	Sethuraman, Jaswanth Ram	1171		WA	5.0	-B11	+W37	+B34	+W33	+B14	-W2	+B8	-W1	-B6
14	Shanmuganathan, Angelmo	1220		WA	5.0	+W15	+B24	-W6	+B12	-W13	-B7	-W5	+B29	+W26
15	Shah, Neville	1979		WA	5.0	-B14	-W10	+B30	+W27	+B18	-W3	+B33	+W16	-B8
16	Huang, Yuqi (Ricky)	1203		WA	5.0	-W9	+B36	+W5	=B28	=W17	-B12	+W24	-B15	+F22
17	Liyanage, Nithuli	1088		WA	5.0	=B10	-W25	+B23	+W21	=B16	=W20	-B11	=B22	+W28
18	Huang, Hui	1358		WA	5.0	+W26	-B2	-W12	+B31	-W15	-B24	+W35	+W33	+B27
19	Raptis, Liam	1267		WA	4.5	-W4	+B31	-W8	+B35	+W24	=W11	-B10	+B28	-W7
20	Berry, Alistair	1441		WA	4.5	+W5	-B9	+W35	-W11	+B33	=B17	+W28	-B7	-W10
21	Gough, Dylan	1488		WA	4.5	+W36	-B4	=W29	-B17	-W5	-B22	+BYE	+W32	+B33
22	Ong, Celine	1336		WA	4.0	-B1	+W30	-B11	=W26	-B23	+W21	+B27	=W17	-F16
23	Booth, Guy	1110		WA	4.0	-W2	=B5	-W17	+B36	+W22	-B28	+W29	=B26	-W12
24	Hapugala, Amila	1528		WA	4.0	+B27	-W14	-B10	+W37	-B19	+W18	-B16	+W25	-B11
25	Blair, Aaron	0		WA	4.0	+W28	+B17	-W9	-B8	-W12	-B29	+W30	-B24	+W35
26	Malik, Aidan	0		WA	4.0	-B18	+BYE	-W28	=B22	+W29	-B5	+W31	=W23	-B14
27	Kemsley, Kevin	1057		WA	4.0	-W24	-B28	+W36	-B15	+W32	+B31	-W22	+B34	-W18
28	While, Lyndon	1449		WA	3.5	-B25	+W27	+B26	=W16	-B10	+W23	-B20	-W19	-B17
29	Wolstencroft, Alan	1245		WA	3.5	-B3	+W32	=B21	-W34	-B26	+W25	-B23	-W14	+BYE
30	Mahanidis, Jet	973		WA	3.5	-W12	-B22	-W15	-B5	+W35	+BYE	-B25	+W36	=B31
31	Ashok, Akash	1019		WA	3.5	-B33	-W19	+B32	-W18	+B37	-W27	-B26	+BYE	=W30
32	Brackenridge, Zeno	521		WA	3.5	-W8	-B29	-W31	+BYE	-B27	=W37	+B36	-B21	+W34
33	De Vas, Yonal	1516		WA	3.0	+W31	+B35	-W4	-B13	-W20	+B34	-W15	-B18	-W21
34	Leonhardt, Wolfgang	1453		WA	3.0	+F39	-B6	-W13	+B29	-W7	-W33	+B37	-W27	-B32
35	Riley, Matthew	0		WA	3.0	+BYE	-W33	-B20	-W19	-B30	+W36	-B18	+W37	-B25
36	Alhendawi Almasalma, Mohammad	523		WA	2.0	-B21	-W16	-B27	-W23	+BYE	-B35	-W32	-B30	+B37
37	Kukulage, Yeshan	0		WA	1.5	-W7	-B13	+BYE	-B24	-W31	=B32	-W34	-B35	-W36
38	Oswald, Franz	(W) 1216		WA	0.0	-F6	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
39	Kustov, Iurii	(W) 421		WA	0.0	-F34	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
40	Williams, Flynn	(W) 0		WA	0.0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--





2025 School Chess League 1st Zonal

The First School Chess League (SCL) Zonal of 2025 was held at Manning Community Hall on Sunday, 16th March.

There was a very good turnout of 165 players from 57 schools.

Primary Student Division

The Primary School tournament had 90 players from 31 different schools.

This was one of the closest SCL Primary School (PS) Tournaments ever held. 7th was City Beach PS with 16 points with only three players. 6th was West Leederville PS with 16 points and 5th with 17 points was Oberthur PS. Three teams had 18 points so a count back system was implemented to decide placings. 4th was Dalkeith PS, 3rd was Harrisdale PS and 2nd was Highgate PS. I think this was the first time that Harrisdale and Highgate had been in the top 3 a notable achievement. Outright winner on 19 points was Christchurch Grammar School.

Apart from City Beach there were four other team that only fielded three players, namely Nedlands PS, The Russian School of WA, Booragoon PS and Marangaroo PS. No doubt these schools could have done better with 4 players.

Individually Quang Minh Le was the deserved winner of this division with a score of 6.5. Following closely on 6 points were Kaviru Perera, Senudi De Vas and Shijirkhutag Nyamdari. The Buchholz score was used to decide placements. Unfortunately for Nyamdari he had the lowest score and came 4th. Still a very good result in such a competitive field. 3rd was Senudi De Vas (who also won the Best Girl Trophy) and 2nd was Kaviru Perera. 14 players received Merit Trophies: Shijirkhutag Nyamdari, Ishann Dhanak, Josiah Ong, Shijiirgun Nyamdari, Daniel Luong, Druv Sanjay, Alexandra Fleming, Zeno Brackenbridge, Manning Downes, Ethan Page, Vishnu Vyhunthan and Uranbaigali Uganbaatar.

List of Primary School Prize Winners

1st: Christchurch Grammar School (19.0) - Druv Sanjay (5.0), Vishnu Vyhunthan (5.0), Ayun Batahena (4.5) and Neel Gadvi (4.5).

2nd: Highgate Primary School (18.0) - Quang Minh Le (6.5), Saharsh Cheela (4.5), Aarav Mishra (4.0) and Doryan Ael Kameni Fouedjio (3.0).

3rd: Harrisdale Primary School (18.0) - Kaviru Perera (6.0), Rojan Raj (4.0), Damasara Perera (4.0), Dinsara Senuth Alahakoon (4.0) Nimsara Dinuth Alahakoon (3.0), Jaxon Josef Sandeep (1.5) and Kaur Asees Sandhu (1.0).

(The top four players from each of these teams won a trophy).

Secondary Student Division

There were 75 students from 26 schools.

Like the Primary Schools Division this was a very closely contested competition. 7th on 10.5 points was Harrisdale Senior High School (SHS). 6th on 12.5 points was Melville College. 5th on 13.0 points was Duncraig SHS. 4th on 18.5 points and only just outside the top three was Perth Home School. The top three schools all had 19 points. A countback system was used. 3rd was Shenton College, 2nd was Rossmoyne SHS and 1st was Perth Modern School.

As regards individual scores; this was also extremely close with 4 players finishing on 6 points. The Buchholz Cut score was used to decide placings with Iker Hernandez Mendez having to settle for 4th place (i.e., a Merit trophy), 3rd was CM Ashvin Balavignan, 2nd was FM Rui Gen Teh and 1st was Eamon Harris. 11 players received Merit Trophies. They were Iker Hernandez Mendez, Yonal De Vas, Liam Raptis, Daryoush Raifiei Darani, Leo Gong, Nithuli Liyanage, Eric Deng, Yuqi (Ricky) Huang, Cooper Scarff, Kado Mezger and Florentyna Rithauddin. Nithuli Liyanage won the Best Girl trophy with a score of 5 points, (a very good performance in this strong field).

List of Secondary School Winners

1st: Perth Modern School (19.0) - Ashvin Balavignan (6.0), Siddarth Sankara (4.5), Peter He (4.5), Thomas Dong (4.0), Albert Chen (4.0), Peter Sun (4.0), Mohit Napaa (3.0), Jonathan Yip (2.5) and Sathvik Chirlamcherla (2.5).
2nd: Rossmoyne SHS (19.0) - Rui Gen Teh (6.0), Yonal De Vas (5.5), Barath Harirajesh (4.5) and Ilya Eimery (3.0).
3rd: Shenton College (19.0) - Nithuli Liyanage (5.0), Cooper Scarff (5.0), Abhinav Verma (4.5), Zayd Hussain (4.5), Jason Lee (4.0), Alex Huang (3.5), Henry Ha (3.5), Ira Gohil (3.5), Aaradhya Patel (3.0), Edward Young (3.0), Raghav Gujarati (3.0), Osten Smyth (2.5) and Rachit Gujarati (2.0).

(The top four players from each of these teams won a trophy).

The smooth running of this tournament would not have been possible without our highly experienced group of volunteers:

Peter Brackenbridge (Result Collation), Saminda De Vas (Arbiter), Rebo (Yihe) Fu (Arbiter), Dylan Gough (Arbiter), Sebastian Gough (Result Collation), Tim Hare (CAWA property manager-equipment provider), Georgina Harris (Database Entry), Paul Harris (software issues and Database Entry), Dennis Holland (Arbiter), Glenda Raptis (Database Entry), Faith Tee (trophies) and Hui Lam Teh (Chief Arbiter). Many thanks to the Manning Hall Community Centre, in particular Leonie Moss, Recreation Development Officer (Community Facilities).

Report kindly provided by Alan Wolstencroft - School Chess League Coordinator.





2025 WA Rapid Championship

The 2025 WA Rapid Championship (6 rounds - 25 mins + 10 sec inc.) was held on Sunday 23rd March, at Leeming Primary School (Southern Suburbs Chess Chess Club).

Congratulations to IM Patrick Gong for winning with a picket fence 6.0/6.

Results and Pairings can be found here:

<https://chess-results.com/tnr1138466.aspx>

2025 WA Rapid Championship Cross Table

Rk.		Name	Rtg	FED	1.Rd	2.Rd	3.Rd	4.Rd	5.Rd	6.Rd	Pts.	TB1	TB2	TB3
1	IM	Gong Patrick	2446	WA	15w1	6b1	12w1	2b1	9w1	5b1	6	22	19	0
2		De Guzman Jessie	1680	WA	16w1	5b1	4w1	1w0	3b½	9b1	4,5	25	22	0
3		Stepanovic Srdja	0	WA	-1	9w0	22b1	12b1	2w½	11w1	4,5	20,5	18,5	0
4		Le Quang Minh	964	WA	20b1	8w1	2b0	11w1	14b½	7w½	4	20,5	18,5	0
5		Hapugala Amila	1306	WA	24b1	2w0	21b1	20w1	13b1	1w0	4	18,5	17,5	0
6		Nguyen Anthony	1393	WA	18b1	1w0	11b0	23w1	21b1	13w1	4	18,5	16,5	0
7		Gough Dylan	1434	WA	11b0	18w1	14w½	19b1	10w1	4b½	4	18,5	16	0
8		Booth Guy	1246	WA	10w0	4b0	17w1	25b1	16w1	12b1	4	17,5	16,5	0
9		De Vas Yonal	1405	WA	19w1	3b1	10w½	14b1	1b0	2w0	3,5	24	21,5	0
10	CM	Balavignan Ashvin	1887	WA	8b1	22w1	9b½	13w0	7b0	14w1	3,5	19,5	17,5	0
11		Wolstencroft Alan	1206	WA	7w1	12b0	6w1	4b0	19w1	3b0	3	22	19,5	0
12		Wong Aaron	1673	WA	23b1	11w1	1b0	3w0	20b1	8w0	3	21,5	19,5	0
13		Berry Alistair	1453	WA	17w1	14b0	15w1	10b1	5w0	6b0	3	20,5	17,5	0
14		Koppolu Rohit	1283	WA	25b1	13w1	7b½	9w0	4w½	10b0	3	19	18	0
15		Malik Aidan	1253	OS	1b0	24w1	13b0	21w0	23b1	20w1	3	16	15	0
16		Liyanage Nithuli	1236	WA	2b0	25w1	20b0	22w1	8b0	21w1	3	15,5	14,5	0
17		Boby Shawn	1210	WA	13b0	20w0	8b0	18w1	24b1	22w1	3	14,5	13,5	0
18		Rithauddin Florentyna	1034	WA	6w0	7b0	19w½	17b0	-1	25w1	2,5	17	16	0
19		de Heer Alex	1106	AUS	9b0	23w1	18b½	7w0	11b0	24w1	2,5	16	15	0
20		Gong Leo	1371	WA	4w0	17b1	16w1	5b0	12w0	15b0	2	20	17	0
21		Davidson Jamie	766	WA	22b0	-1	5w0	15b1	6w0	16b0	2	18	16	0
22		Sethuraman Jaswanth Ram	1297	WA	21w1	10b0	3w0	16b0	25w1	17b0	2	17	16	0
23		Scarff Cooper	1229	WA	12w0	19b0	24w1	6b0	15w0	-1	2	15,5	14,5	0
24		De Vas Senudi	956	WA	5w0	15b0	23b0	-1	17w0	19b0	1	15,5	14,5	0
25		Riley Matthew	0	WA	14w0	16b0	-1	8w0	22b0	18b0	1	15,5	14,5	0

Annotation:

Tie Break1: Buchholz Tie-Breaks (variabel with parameter)

Tie Break2: Buchholz Tie-Breaks (variabel with parameter)

Tie Break3: Direct Encounter (The results of the players in the same point group)



2025 Perth Chess League

The second season of the Perth Chess League commenced on the 11th of March 2025 at Southern Suburbs Chess Club

For further information please contact League Organiser (Ian McAteer) at:
email: cawa.gp@outlook.com

2025 Perth Chess League Rules and Regulations

The Perth Chess League (Haydn Barber Shield) is a four-board format team tournament played over nine rounds.

The format in 2025 will be a four-team First Division and a four-team Second Division. Both divisions will play a nine-round triple round-robin.

Players in the Second Division must have an initial rating (December 2024) below 2000 ACF. There is no limit on the number of players in a team, but no one can play for more than one team in the same division. Players in a First Division Team can only play in the Second Division if they meet the rating rules for the Second Division. Once a player has played one game for a team, they are committed to that team for the rest of the year. In the final two rounds, only players who have played in at least one of the preceding rounds are eligible to play. All players must be CAWA members.

Team rating will be the sum of the four highest rated players. If there is more than one division, team ratings will determine which division a team will be in. There are no limits on ratings within a team. Teams must play in current (on the day of play) ACF rating order, with a 50 point allowance at the discretion of the team captain and the agreement of the League Organizer. In exceptional circumstances (e.g., an unrated player or a young player whose rating has changed quickly) a player may use an allocated rating, subject to the agreement of the League Organizer.

The matches will be played on a weeknight. One round per month, starting in March.

The winner of the Haydn Barber Shield will be determined by Match Points, with Game Points used as the tie-break.

Games will be ACF rated at a classical time control: 75 minutes with a 30 second increment from move 1.

FIDE laws of chess will apply.

Preferred format

Four team First Division and up to four team Second Division.

First Division will play a nine-round triple round-robin.

Two-team Second Division = four double round robins, for a total of eight rounds.

Three-team Second Division = as for four teams with a BYE in each round.

Four-team Second Division = nine-round triple round-robin.

2025 Perth Chess League Calendar

Round 1 - 11 March 2025 - Southern Suburbs Chess Club

Round 2 - 3 April 2025 - West Coast Chess Club

Round 3 - 6 May 2025 - Southern Suburbs Chess Club

Round 4 - 25 June 2025 - Perth Chess Club

Round 5 - 14 July 2025 - Swan Valley Chess Club

Round 6 - 28 August 2025 - Metropolitan Chess Club

Round 7 - 23 September 2025 - Southern Suburbs Chess Club

Round 8 - TBC

Round 9 - November 2025 - Swan Valley Chess Club

First Division Cross Table after Round 1

N	Team Name	Rtg	Fed	MP	GP		1	2	3	4
1	Southern Suburbs	2221	AUS	1.0	3.0		*	-	-	1.0
2	Teh's Team	2047	AUS	0.5	2.0		-	*	0.5	-
3	Perth	2010	AUS	0.5	2.0		-	0.5	*	-
4	Metro	1879	AUS	0.0	1.0		0.0	-	-	*

Second Division Cross Table after Round 1

N	Team Name	Rtg	Fed	MP	GP		1	2	3	4
1	West Coast	732	AUS	1.0	3.0		*	-	-	1.0
2	Southern Suburbs	1866	AUS	1.0	2.5		-	*	1.0	-
3	Swan Valley White	1823	AUS	0.0	1.5		-	0.0	*	-
4	Swan Valley Black	708	AUS	0.0	1.0		0.0	-	-	*

Round 1 (Played 11 March at Southern Suburbs CC)

<u>First Division</u>				
1	Southern Suburbs	-	Metro	3.0 - 1.0
[01]	01: Shen, Daniel	-	32: Barry, David	0.5 - 0.5
[02]	02: Hare, Tim	-	33: Roebuck, Derek J	1.0 - 0.0
[03]	04: Hardegen, Kathryn	-	35: Wu, Kobe	1.0 - 0.0
[04]	05: King, David	-	36: Moseley, Paul	0.5 - 0.5
2	Teh's Team	-	Perth	2.0 - 2.0
[05]	11: Teh, Rui Gen	-	21: Rahmani, Noor	1.0 - 0.0
[06]	13: Teh, Hui Lam	-	22: Gibson, Jacob	1.0 - 0.0
[07]	14: Huang, Hui	-	25: Elkington, Derek	0.0 - 1.0
[08]	17: Gong, Leo	-	26: Janceski, Alex	0.0 - 1.0
<u>Second Division</u>				
1	Southern Suburbs	-	Swan Valley White	2.5 - 1.5
[09]	31: O'Gorman, Alice	-	01: Fokaite, Gabriele	1.0 - 0.0
[10]	33: Soutar, Gavin	-	02: Gough, Dylan	0.0 - 1.0
[11]	34: Gwezere, Cecil	-	03: Massey, Reg	0.5 - 0.5
[12]	36: Rithauddin, Florentyn	-	05: Howard, Mark	1.0 - 0.0
2	Swan Valley Black	-	West Coast	1.0 - 3.0
[13]	22: Dilallo, Alby	-	11: Curtis, Calan	0.0 - 1.0
[14]	23: Enright, Chris	-	13: Sheikh, Suhail	0.0 - 1.0
[15]	24: Gough, Sebastian	-	14: Ford, Trevor	1.0 - 0.0
[16]	25: Dowling, Shane	-	15: Zhang, Olivia	0.0 - 1.0



2025 Metropolitan Chess Club Championship (30 Jan to 10 Apr)

A Division

Rank	Name	FIDE	ACF	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Score
1	Andras Szijarto	2083			1	1	=	1	=	1f	0	1		6.0/8
2	Michael Kueh	1958	2103	0		1	1	1	=	1	0		=	5.0/8
3	Keegan O'Mahoney	1916	2107	0	0			1	1	1f	=	0	0	3.5/8
4	Leon Taylor	1913	2086	=	0			1	1	0	=	0	1	4.0/8
5	Peter Roza	1903	2095	0	0	0	0			=	0	1	1	2.5/8
6	Craig Kinsman	1897	2072	=	=	0	0			=	=	=	=	3.0/8
7	Trent Gulley	1884	2068	0f	0	0f	1	=	=		0f	=	0f	2.5
8	David Ellis	1874	2077	1	1	=	=	1	=	1f		=	=	6.5
9	Robert Baumgartner	1774	1931	0		1	1	0	=	=	=		0	3.5/8
10	David Barry	1799	1893		=	1	0	0	=	1f	=	1		4.5/8

Note: Trent Gulley withdrew.

B Division

Rank	Name	FIDE	ACF	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Score
1	Yonal De Vas	1810	1881		1	1	1	=	0	1	1	1	0	6.5
2	Yuxuan Zhang	1779	1776	0		0		1	=	=	1	1	=	4.5/8
3	Angus Chen	1776	1794	0	1		0	=		1	1	1	1	5.5/8
4	Gordon Dunlop	1759	1897	0		1		=	1	1	0	1	0	4.5/8
5	Jessie De Guzman	1745	1850p	=	0	=	=		1	=	1		1	5.0/8
6	Derek Roebuck	1739	1786	1	=		0	0		0	=	=	0	2.5/8
7	Evan Yeung	1724	1784	0	=	0	0	=	1		0	1		3.0/8
8	Robin Christian	1711	1755	0	0	0	1	0	=	1		0	=	3.0
9	Mike McGregor	1664	1682	0	0	0	0		=	0	1		=	2.0/8
10	Nithuli Liyanage	1614	1617	1	=	0	1	0	1		=	=		4.5/8

C Division

Rank	Name	ACF	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Score
1	Alex DeHeer	1659		0	=		0	0	1	1	0	=	3.0/8
2	Wallace Sheridan	1658	1		=	1	1f	1	0	0	1	0	5.5
3	Sjef de Jong	1582	=	=		0	1		=	0	0	0	2.5/8
4	Paul Moseley	1505		0	1		=	=	=	0	=	0	3.0/8
5	Joe Klimczak	1470	1	0f	0	=		1	0	1	0		3.5/8
6	Stevica Milovanovic	1444	1	0		=	0		1	=	0	1	4.0/8
7	Joshua Williams	1416	0	1	=	=	1	0			0	=	3.5/8
8	Ben Motu	1370	0	1	1	1	0	=				0	3.5/7
9	Aaron Blair	1300p	1	0	1	=	1	1	1			0	5.5/8
10	Ryan Yao	1226	=	1	1	1		0	=	1	1		6.0/8

2025 Mary Thomson Cup (22 Jan to 26 Feb)

A: Jacob Gibson & Daryoush Rafiei (4.0/5) B: Abhinav Verma (4.0/5) C: Rafik Nauom (4.0/5)
 D: Joshua Williams (5.0/5) E: Grant Porteus (4.0/5) F: Ahmad Dawoud (4.5/5)

A Division

Pos	NAME	Rtg	Perf	T	Fed	Pts	1	2	3	4	5
1	Gibson, Jacob	1999	2350		WA	4.0	+B15	=HPB	=W8	+B4	+W6
2	Rafiei Darani, Daryoush	1897	2355		WA	4.0	=W7	+B9	=B6	+W5	+W3
3	Elkington, Derek	1874	2032		WA	3.0	+W4	+PAB	+B5	-W6	-B2
4	Taylor, Leon M	2086	1890		WA	3.0	-B3	+W15	+B16	-W1	+F12
5	Rahmani, Noor	2156	1939		WA	3.0	+W20	+B10	-W3	-B2	+W11
6	Fokaite, Gabriele	1990	2055		OS	3.0	=W16	+B7	=W2	+B3	-B1
7	Maggs, Derwent	2299	1923		WA	3.0	=B2	-W6	=B11	+W14	+B10
8	Saxon, Marc	(W) 2057	2148		WA	2.5	+W17	+B14	=B1	--	--
9	Maris, Rob	2082	1739		WA	2.5	=HPB	-W2	=HPB	=B10	+F14
10	O'Shaughnessy, Dave	1965	1910		WA	2.0	+B12	-W5	=B14	=W9	-W7
11	Shaw, Robin A	1705	2033		WA	2.0	--	=B17	=W7	+W16	-B5
12	Doshi, Chirag	1836	1907		WA	2.0	-W10	=HPB	=HPB	+B17	-F4
13	Clarke, Daniel	1920	1796		WA	2.0	-W14	=B16	--	=W15	+B17
14	Curtis, Calan	1632	1952		WA	1.5	+B13	-W8	=W10	-B7	-F9
15	Curthoys, Edward	1848	1782		WA	1.5	-W1	-B4	=W17	=B13	=W16
16	Wolstencroft, Alan	1843	1745		WA	1.5	=B6	=W13	-W4	-B11	=B15
17	Janceski, Alex	1850	1611		WA	1.0	-B8	=W11	=B15	-W12	-W13
18	Kerr, Carter	(W) 1869	N/A		WA	0.5	=HPB	--	--	--	--
19	Kerr, Lennon	(W) 1761	N/A		WA	0.5	=HPB	--	--	--	--
20	Stortz, Robert	(W) 1875	N/A		WA	0.0	-B5	--	--	--	--

B Division

Pos	N	NAME	Elo	Perf	T	Fed	Pts	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	3	Verma, Abhinav	1771	1975		WA	4.0	*	1	0	1	1	1
2	2	Oswald, Franz	1682	1750		WA	2.5	0	*	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$\frac{1}{2}$
3	4	Gough, Dylan	1764	1733		WA	2.5	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	*	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0
4	6	Roebuck, Derek J	1786	1640		WA	2.5	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	*	$\frac{1}{2}$	+
5	1	Bhatia, Abhay	1701	1675		WA	2.0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	*	1
6	5	Leonhardt, Wolfgang	1727	1640		WA	1.5	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	-	0	*

C Division

Pos	N	NAME	Elo	Perf	T	Fed	Pts	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	5	Nauom, Rafik	1564	1728		WA	4.0	*	1	0	1	1	+
2	2	WeiJermars, Tristan	1615	1579		WA	3.0	0	*	1	1	1	0
3	6	Hapugala, Amila	1528	1525		WA	2.5	1	0	*	1	0	$\frac{1}{2}$
4	4	Hagendoorn, Mark	1542	1449		WA	2.0	0	0	0	*	1	1
5	3	Pass, Tony	1440	1370		WA	2.0	0	0	1	0	*	+
6	1	Ross, Leo	1462	1562		WA	1.5	-	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	-	*

D Division

Pos	N	NAME	Elo	Perf	T	Fed	Pts	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	2	Williams, Joshua	1416	N/A		WA	5.0	*	1	+	1	1	+
2	1	Boswarva, Ernest	1433	1581		WA	4.0	0	*	1	1	1	+
3	3	Walker, Colin	1424	1383		WA	2.5	-	0	*	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	+
4	6	Brooke, John	1356	1319		WA	2.5	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	*	1	+
5	4	Gough, Sebastian	1360	N/A		WA	1.0	0	0	0	0	*	+
6	5	Bozman, Jamie	1400	N/A		AUS	0.0	-	-	-	-	-	*

E Division

Pos	N	NAME	Elo	Perf	T	Fed	Pts		1	2	3	4	5	6
1	5	Porteus, Grant	1349	N/A		WA	4.0		*	-	1	1	1	+
2	2	Yao, Ryan	1226	N/A		WA	3.0		-	*	-	1	1	1
3	6	Powell, Darren	1250	1451		WA	3.0		0	-	*	1	1	1
4	4	Owen, Geoffrey	1187	1067		WA	2.0		0	0	0	*	+	1
5	3	Lanham, Bruce	1262	1067		WA	1.0		0	0	0	-	*	1
6	1	Frankland, David M	1222	N/A		WA	0.0		-	0	0	0	0	*

F Division

Pos	N	NAME	Elo	Perf	T	Fed	Pts		1	2	3	4	5	6
1	4	Dawoud, Ahmad	1144	1427		WA	4.5		*	1	1	½	1	1
2	5	Rennie, Mike	886	1154		WA	3.0		0	*	1	0	1	1
3	2	Overste, Brian	1061	872		WA	3.0		0	0	*	+	+	1
4	3	Young, Manfred	1118	1230		WA	2.5		½	1	-	*	+	-
5	6	Emmerton-Ginn, Tyler	1100	872		AUS	1.0		0	0	-	-	*	1
6	1	Markou, Victor	983	N/A		WA	1.0		0	0	0	+	0	*



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2025 Southern Suburbs Open – 7 Rounds (11 Feb to 01 Apr)

Ranking crosstable after Round 6

Rk.	Name	Rtg	FED	1.Rd	2.Rd	3.Rd	4.Rd	5.Rd	6.Rd	7.Rd	Pts.	TB1	TB2	TB3
1	Hare Tim	2295	WA	15w1	8b1	2w1	10b1	-½	4w1	5b	5,5	16	21,5	0
2	De Guzman Jessie	1745	AUS	21w1	5w½	1b0	8b1	3w½	9w1	6b	4	19,5	21,5	0
3	Soutar Gavin	1818	WA	-½	10w½	11b1	5w1	2b½	6w½	4b	4	17,5	21,5	0
4	Shen Daniel	2354	WA	-½	11w1	5b½	17w1	9b1	1b0	3w	4	17,5	21,5	0
5	King David	2063	WA	22w1	2b½	4w½	3b0	16w1	12b1	1w	4	16,5	18,5	0
6	Roebuck Derek J	1786	WA	-½	7w½	-½	15b1	13w1	3b½	2w	4	16	20	0
7	McAteer Ian	1891	WA	-½	6b½	13w1	9b0	10w½	11b1	8w	3,5	15	18,5	0
8	Gwezere Cecil	1758	ZIM	13b1	1w0	17b0	2w0	20w+	16b1	7b	3	17,5	19,5	0
9	Sheridan Wallace	1658	WA	-½	-½	16b1	7w1	4w0	2b0	14w	3	16,5	19,5	0
10	Gulley Trent	2068	WA	-½	3b½	12w1	1w0	7b½	-0	-0	2,5	18	20,5	0
11	Yong Aizra	0	AUS	14w1	4b0	3w0	12b½	15b1	7w0	20w	2,5	16,5	18,5	0
12	Milovanovic Stevica	1444	WA	19w0	21b1	10b0	11w½	17b+	5w0	13b	2,5	15,5	17,5	0
13	Kamma Lalit	0	AUS	8w0	22b+	7b0	18w1	6b0	14b½	12w	2,5	15,5	17	0
14	De Heer Alex	1659	WA	11b0	-½	15w0	-½	18b1	13w½	9b	2,5	11	13,5	0
15	Howard Mark	1519	WA	1b0	-½	14b1	6w0	11w0	20w½	16b	2	15	17	0
16	Kareem Asaad	0	WA	-0	18b1	9w0	20w+	5b0	8w0	15w	2	13,5	15,5	0
17	Blair Aaron	0	WA	-0	20b1	8w1	4b0	12w-	-0	-0	2	11,5	13,5	0
18	Leung Isaac	0	WA	-0	16w0	20b1	13b0	14w0	-0	-0	1	8,5	9,5	0
19	WFM Hardegen Kathryn	2079	WA	12b1	-0	-0	-0	-0	-0	-0	1	6,5	7,5	0
20	Jayasinghe Attiligoda	0	WA	-0	17w0	18w0	16b-	8b-	15b½	11b	0,5	7	7,5	0
21	Kovacic Goran	0	WA	2b0	12w0	-0	-0	-0	-0	-0	0	6,5	6,5	0
22	Chakraborty Utso	1647	WA	5b0	13w-	-0	-0	-0	-0	-0	0	4	4	0

Chess Crossword 32

1		2		3		4			5			6
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Across

- 1** Friend, can you assist in solving this chess problem (4,4)
5 Where chessplayers meet or what a golfer uses (4)
7 Devon Temple ruined by placing pieces on good squares (11)
8 A mason's favourite pawn formation (9)
9 Prize for the year's best actor or player (5)
11 After a blunder, the game may be in this state (5)
14 Mr Flintstone's favourite defense (4)
15 See 6 down
18 From the hen bed obtain an English GM (6)
19 Fate looms strangely for the fastest checkmate (5,4)
20 The non-commissioned officer's chess book (1,1,1)

Down

- 1** Pawn formation preferred by tiny spiny mammals (8)
2 When people act as pieces (6,5)
3 Smile awkwardly for an English GM (5)
4 A boat drop could be where the tournament leader sits (3,5)
5 Inside pecan twinkies you can only draw or lose (4,3)
6dn & 15ac Tonight Alf Basset became a famous conflict or famous chess tournament (6,2,8)
10 Singers confusedly gives up (7)
12 English version of FIDE (1,1,1)
13 Norm & Des transformed into an Australian GM (7)
15 A draw gains this type of point (4)
16 Gunfire or a risky move (4)
17 Take back the move backwardly contained in good numbers (4)

Chess Crossword No 31 Answers

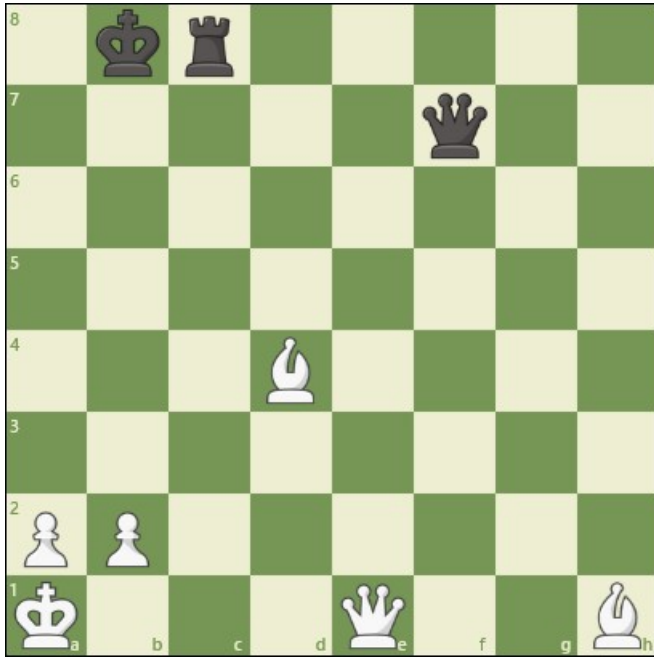
Across

1.Boris Spassky 7.Bluff 8.Trainer 10.Diagram 12.WGM 13.Isolated 15.Plan 16.China 17.Grob 19.OTB 21.Yasser 22.Up 23.Rules 26.Pen 27.Sets

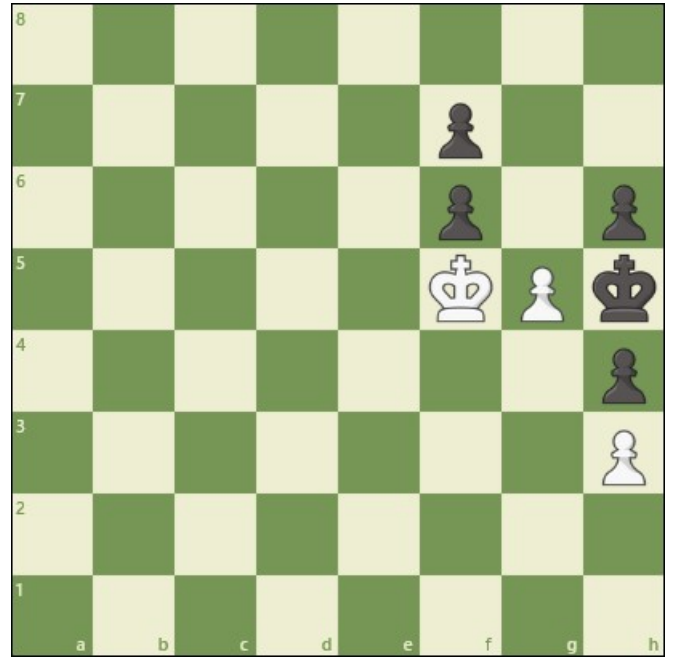
Down

1.Bobby Fischer 2.Round Robin 3.Sofia 4.Peter 5.Swarm 6.King Walk 9.Romanov 11.Anderssen 14.Analyse 18.Boris 20.Bust 24.US 25.EP

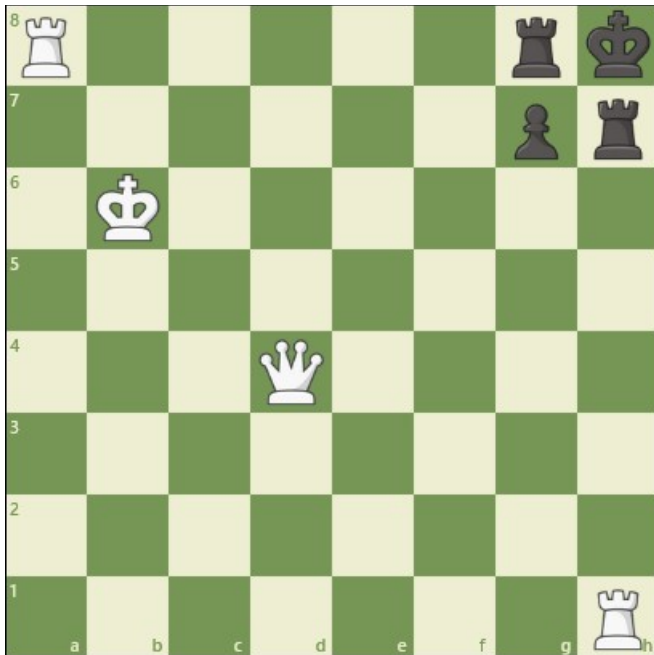
Chess Puzzles



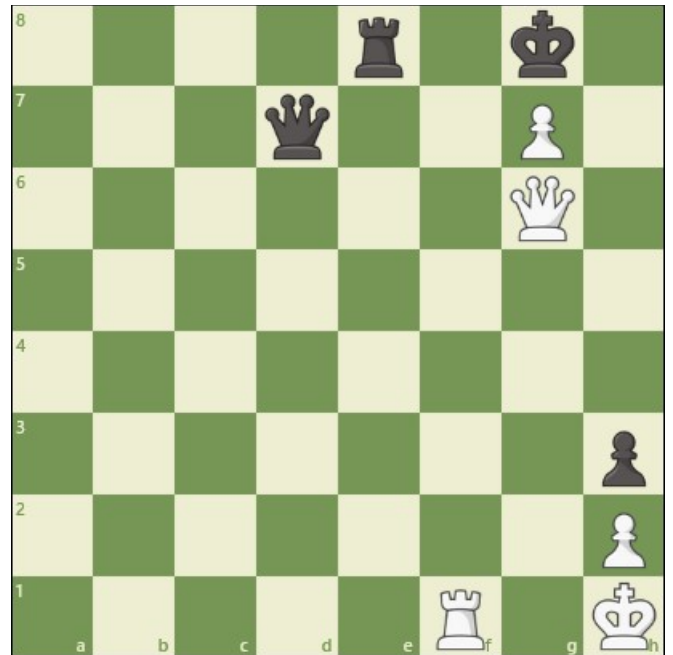
Puzzle 1: Black to play and draw.



Puzzle 2: White to play and win.



Puzzle 3: White to play and mate in 2.



Puzzle 4: White to play and win.

February Chess Puzzles Solutions

- Puzzle 1 1. Qc6 if 1...axb6 2. Qa4# or 1...bxc6 2. Rb8# or 1...cxb6 2. Qxc8# or 1...Bxd7 2. Qxb7# or 1...a6 2. Rxa6# or 1...a5 2. Ra6#
- Puzzle 2 1.Bxc6 if 1...Q moves 2.RxQ# or 1...bxc6 2.Rb8#
- Puzzle 3 1.Qh6 Kxh6 2.Bxf6#
- Puzzle 4 1.g8=Q+ Kxg8 2.Ke6 Kh8 3.Kf7 e6 (or e5) 4.Bg7#