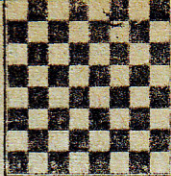


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TOURNAMENT RESULTS

The third annual San Francisco Bay Area Amateur Open Chess Championship was held at the CACA Oakland Lodge, December 14-15. The USCF rated event was sponsored by the Oakland Chess Club. Complete results:

CLASS "A"

1. David Forthoffer, Berkeley, 5-0, trophy plus \$43.
2. Gene Bromley, Galena, 4-1, book.

CLASS "B"

1. Rene Saguisag, San Francisco, 3½-1½, \$18.
2. C.E. Falbo, Rhonert Park, 3-2, book.

CLASS "C"

1. Reinhard Boehme, San Leandro, 2½-2½, \$18.
2. Leonard Petty, Oakland, 2-3, book.

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Annotations to this well prosecuted game from the Bay Area Amateur Open are by tournament winner David Forthoffer. White: David Forthoffer. Black: C.E. Falbo. Oakland, December 14, 1968. Queen's Gambit Declined.

1 P-Q4	P-Q4	13 PxB	BxN (g)
2 P-QB4	P-K3	14 B-R4	P-KN3 (h)
3 PxP	PxP	15 P-B3	N-Q3 (i)
4 N-QB3	N-KB3	16 P-K4 (j)	P-QB4
5 B-N5	P-B3	17 P-K5	N-B4 (k)
6 Q-B2 (a)	QN-Q2	18 B-B6 (l)	N-K6
7 N-B3 (b)	B-N5 (c)	19 Q-B1 (m)	PxP
8 P-K3	Q-R4	20 PxP	Q-N3 (n)
9 B-Q3 (d)	0-0	21 R-K1 (o)	QR-B1
10 0-0 (e)	R-K1	22 QxN	R-K3
11 N-K5 (f)	BxN	23 QR-N1 (p)	Resigns
12 NxN	N-K5		

(a) Threatening 7 BxN.

(b) More flexible is 7 P-K3, but I was trying to encourage him to do something unusual.

(c) Black must be a fan of the Cambridge Springs Defense, but this is not the position for it. He should try for King side play.

(d) Now Black can't play 9...N-K5 because his King is exposed.

(e) If Black wants to play N-K5 right away, one possibility is 10... BxN 11 PxB N-K5 12 P-B4?! NxB 13 NxN P-KR3? 14 B-R7ch K-R1 15 B-N8 P-KN3 16 BxP PxN 17 QxP RxB 18 QxR, winning.

(f) This maneuver is intended to delay Black's N-K5. It is not a sacrifice, for if 11... NxN 12 PxN RxP 13 BxN PxB 14 BxPch. Black's reply is practically forced, for if 11... P-KR3 12 NxN BxN/2 13 B-R4, and Black can't play N-K5 for a long time. White will play P-QR3 and if Bishop back attack on the Queen side or if BxN attack in the center with P-K4.

(g) To be considered was 13... NxB, though after 14 N-B4 his pieces are awkward.

(h) Not 14... QxBP 15 BxN or 14... NxQBP 15 BxPch. But better was 14... P-KR3 and if 15 P-QB4, threatening 16 P-B5 and 17 P-B3, then simply 15... P-QN3.

(i) Not 15... NxP 16 B-K1.

(j) Threatens P-K5 and B-B6. One possibility is 16... QR-QB1 17 P-K5 N-K1, although it is hard to defend against White's Q-B1-R6 and B-B6 along with P-KB4, R-B3-R3. Another possibility is 16... PxP 17 PxP Q-R5.

(k) Black's last chance was to divert some of the attack with 17... P-B5 18 B-K2 N-B4 19 B-B6 KR-N1 and if 20 Q-Q2, N-N2 21 Q-R6 N-K1.

(l) If 18 BxN Black would defend with 18... BxB 19 QB1 PxP 20 B-B6 Q-B4.

(m) A bad mistake would be 19 Q-Q2 because of 19... PxP.

(n) One last try to save the game. If White hastily plays 21 QxN, then 21... QxB.

(o) Winning the Knight. Black should resign.

(p) Wins the Queen.