

History of the Hayward Chess Club



Green Shutter Hotel, Hayward, CA; circa 1940's

Like most small California towns that started as Mexican land grants, Hayward grew gradually. It officially started in 1852 when William Dutton Hayward opened a hotel. Early Hayward was an idyllic farming community; the Hayward Union High School (HUHS) even named their football team the “Farmers”. Before the internet age, most players started playing chess in junior or senior high school. So it’s no surprise that the first mention of chess in Hayward should come from the HUHS teacher and chess coach, Carl Ekoos, who sponsored the award winning (see http://www.chessdryad.com/articles/lawless/art_15.htm) Black Bishop Chess Team from 1931 through 1946. The mathematics teacher, William Kilgore, took over as the HUHS club sponsor after Mr. Ekoos became Vice Principal. By the time most of the team had graduated in 1948, they formed the Hayward Mates Chess Club (HMCC); members included:

- Dick Abbot
 - Jack Gonzales
 - Donald H. Hiatt
 - S. J. Hines
 - Paul Lynch
 - Joseph Nedham
 - Dan Neilson
 - Jim Willows
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- **April 25, 1948:** Most small town clubs don’t officially become part of the chess community. They’re simply a group of friends who meet at each others’ homes or the local café. But, Hayward was different! When the SF Bay Area Chess League was formed, the HMCC representative was Jack Gonzales.

 - **September 1948:** Three HMCC members played in the first California Open, which drew 36 players:
 - Joseph Nedham, 11th Place, 4.5-2.5.
 - Dan Neilson, 14th Place, 4-3.
 - Paul Lynch, 19th Place, 3.5-3.5.

- **February 1949:** Jim Willows wrote (California Chess News Volume 2, Number 2), “Although not a very old club, we have gotten off to a good start. Our main accomplishments being the completion of our club championship tournament, won by Joseph Nedham, and entering the “B” division of the newly formed S.F. Bay Area Chess League (September 1948).” Paul Lynch was President and 1st board for the HMCC team.
- **May 1950:** Chess Digest wrote that the HMCC sent two representatives, Nedham (lost to Almgren, bd. 11) & Neilson (beat Geller, bd. 22), to the May 28th North South match at San Luis Obispo.

But, high school was over and life responsibilities were beckoning; by mid-1950, the club had dissolved. Due to the usual delay in ratings, the Northern California (NC) Chess Ratings, as of December 1, 1950, were:

- First Northern California Chess Ratings List:
 - Paul Lynch, NC Expert, USCF 1893.
 - Joe Nedham, NC Master, USCF 2036.
 - Dan Neilson, NC Expert, USCF 1964.
 - Dan Nieder, NC A player.
 - Jim Willows, NC B player.
- **Late 1950:** According to NM Ray Schutt, Hermann Ernst, Lou Osternig and Wilhelm Schutt, were the three founding members of the Hayward CC (HCC). It was started in the restaurant of the Green Shutter Hotel. His father, Wilhelm, who was a Merchant Marine Captain and a good player, often brought both him and his older brother to the club. When Wilhelm went to sea, their teacher, Hermann Ernst, picked them up and took them to the club. The club met in the last frontage room (far right) on the ground floor of the Green Shutter Hotel facing Main Street. There was a front lounge and a back room for the chess, which today occupies two store fronts... A former member recalled, “My most pronounced memory is of entering a smoky-grey-fog filled room with about a dozen players congregated over chessboards smoking...mostly cigars.”

The Hermann Ernst years: Hermann Ernst was the 1st through 8th grade school teacher at the one room school house attached to Grace Lutheran Church. He not only was one of the founders of the club and one of its stronger players, but was also the director. The former member also recalled that Hermann was a chain smoker. He managed the club until he transferred to a Lutheran school in Centralia, Illinois, about 1955 or 1956.

- **May 31, 1953:** Wade Hendricks, a Hayward resident, was team captain for the North, in the annual North-South match. There is no record of his being a HCC member.

- **August 16, 1953:** The HCC team had the highest score and came in 1st Place in the premier 212 player event at the outdoor Sonoma Valley of the Moon Chess Festival.
- **May 31, 1954:** Hayward resident, Carl Ekoos played K. Forrest on board 50 in the North South Match at San Luis Obispo and obtained a draw. There is no record of his being a HCC member.
- **June 1954:** The HCC joined with the San Leandro CC to form a team and enter the Chess Friends of Northern California (CFNC) East Bay Summer League. They didn't win.
- **August 15, 1954:** HCC member Mrs. M. Bartholomew tied for the women's championship of the Sonoma Valley of the Moon Chess Festival. She also beat George Koltanowski in his simultaneous exhibition (28-1-1), on the same day.
- **September 1954:** According to 'Chess in Action', CFNC's official magazine, the HCC team called itself the "Lopez Marshall" group and met at the Hayward High School on Mondays. In the same issue, Valdemars Zemitis said, "In the East Bay, Hayward has always been a variable quantity. Several times their Chess Friends' teams have an unimpressive record, only to defeat the leading teams at the end of the season. One of their veterans, Mr. Perry of Hayward, (recently) demonstrated his resourcefulness in the in the following game (against the Lafayette CC)."
- **October 1954:** The HCC entered a team in the CFNC East Bay League.

The Ray Ausmus years: Ray, a history teacher at San Leandro High School, ran the SLHS chess club and team. He was also the guiding light behind the HCC during the later 1950's through the early 1960's. Chess was a hobby with him, not a life passion; but, even so, he was an intelligent, methodical man who knew how to motivate others. Under his watch, the club ran like clockwork and other members were eager to work while in elected positions. Being a good family man, he understood the sacrifice other married members faced when balancing family and a two-day a week chess club. He encouraged wives to join and play alongside their husbands. It was this and of course George Koltanowski's Valley of the Moon Chess Festival, which eventually inspired him to create the Hayward Chess Festival, half a decade later.

- **September 30, 1956:** CFNC East-West Match: HCC player results on boards...

EAST BAY - Hayward			WEST BAY		
BOARD	NAME	RESULT	NAME	CITY	RESULT
3	L. E. Perry	1	Jack Mathison	Palo Alto	0
8	Mrs. M. Bartholomew	1	Don Nance	Sacramento	0
9	Gary Peterson	1	Carl Spitz	San Francisco	0
13	Ray Ausmus	1	Leighton Allen	San Francisco	0

28	Ernest Bartholomew	0	John Carson	Berkeley	1
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- **October-November-December 1956:** Chess in Action listed post East-West match CFNC ratings:
 - Ray Ausmus 1740
 - Ernest Bartholomew 1678
 - Mrs. M. Bartholomew 1524
 - L. E. Perry 1628
 - Gary Peterson 1542

- **March 1957:** Ernest Bartholomew played in the B group of the CFNC Spring Open at the Red Cross cafeteria in San Francisco and came in 4th.

- **May 18, 1957:** CFNC Ratings lists the following HCC players:
 - Raymond Ausmus 1638
 - Ernest. Bartholomew 1654
 - Mrs. M. Bartholomew 1544
 - William Castellano 1662
 - M. Frandy 1542
 - W. Koenig 1344
 - R. Lund 1674
 - Louis Osternig 1724
 - L. E. Perry 1628
 - Gary Peterson 1624
 - Eric Salo 1628

- **July-August 1957:** “Chess in Action” listed the HCC as coming in at 4th place (out of 5 places) in the CFNC Eastbay Sequoia Winter League.

- **February 1958:** The HCC was meeting at the Bret Harte Junior High School in Hayward on Monday evenings at 8 pm. The team captain was William Castellano.

- **April 1958:** HCC players, L. E. Perry, R. Lund, E. Bartholomew, M. Frandy & Eric Salo, competed in the B Division of the CFNC Northern California Open Championship in Oakland...M. Bartholomew competed in the C Division.

- **July 27, 1958:** Mrs. M Bartholomew won the women’s trophy at the Valley of the Moon Festival in Sonoma.

- **October 26, 1958:** The annual East Bay vs. West Bay Chess Friends of Northern California match, sponsored by the HCC, was held in the Bret Harte School. The HCC provided refreshments and door prizes.

- **January 1959:** Robert A Karch (San Lorenzo) produced his own rating list, the West Coast Ratings – originally called the Northwest Ratings (published in the Pacific Coast Chess Herald). Hayward players, some which were HCC members, are below:
 - Ernest Bartholomew 1822
 - Mrs.M. Bartholomew 1632
 - Kitty Cossell 1289

- **February 28-March 1, 1959:** HCC member Ray Schutt placed 6th in the CFNC C Division Annual Open with 4-1. Other Hayward residents scored:
 - 17th Roger McCluney 2.5-2.5
 - 29th Douglas Robinett 1-4
 - 32nd Michael Singleton 0-5

- **April 1959:** West Coast Ratings of Hayward players. Richard Shorman moved to Hayward and joined the club when it was meeting at Mr. W. Koenig's house on A St. & Grand; Ray Ausmus was the president. In the early 1960's it moved to Kennedy Park.
 - Ernest M. Bartholomew 1721
 - Mrs. M. Bartholomew 1581
 - Steve Hoffman 1604
 - Roger McCluney 1523
 - Douglas Robinett 1355
 - Ray Schutt 1685
 - Richard R. Shorman 1555
 - Michael Singleton 1295

- **May 1959:** Ernest Bartholomew beat J. Ramirez on board 23 and Mrs. M. Bartholomew beat G. Lydeard on board 26 of the annual East Bay verses San Francisco match.

- **July 1959:** West Coast Ratings of Hayward players:
 - Ernest M. Bartholomew 1662
 - Steve Hoffman 1513
 - Roger McCluney 1520

- **October 25, 1959:** The Annual East Bay vs. West Bay match was held in Hayward.

- **September-October 1960:** Some CFNC HCC member ratings:
 - Raymond Ausmus 1648

- Ernest Bartholomew 1718
 - Mrs. M. Bartholomew 1664
 - L.E. Perry 1700
 - Gary Peterson 1872
 - Ray Schutt 1780
 - Richard Shorman 1674
- **February 25, 1961:** HCC member, J. Stevenson, won 3rd Place in the Class C Division of the CFNC Open Championship Tournament in Oakland.
- **March 1, 1961:** CFNC Ratings lists the following HCC players:
 - Raymond Ausmus 1648
 - Ernest Bartholomew 1716
 - Mrs. M. Bartholomew 1664
 - William Castellano 1628
 - Jerry Friedman 1586
 - W. Koenig 1586
 - L.E. Perry 1700
 - Eric Salo 1586
 - Ray Schutt 1890
 - Richard Shorman 1674
- **April-May 1961:** The California State Chess Federation Ratings list the following Hayward residents (no record of first two being HCC members):
 - Carl Ekoos 1740 (provisional)
 - Val Zemitis 2159
 - Richard Shorman 1757 (provisional)
- **February-March 1962:** Some CFNC HCC member ratings:
 - Mrs. M. Bartholomew 1664
 - L.E. Perry 1664
 - Ray Schutt 1890
 - Richard Shorman 1674
- **November, 1962:** At the instigation of HCC member Richard Shorman, the proprietors Harold and Ilene James, opened the Cherryland Café's doors to the local chess community (i.e., members of the HCC)...from 6 p.m. till 6 a.m.: 12 hours a day, 6 days a week (it was closed on Mondays). It was located at 22472 Meekland Avenue and A Street in Hayward.
- **September 1, 1963:** Ray Ausmus organized and directed the First Annual Hayward Chess Festival. It featured CFNC quads, simultaneous exhibitions and lectures by local experts, a problem solving tournament, a speed chess

tournament, displays of chess collections, food and drink (non-alcoholic) and entertainment for chess widows.

- **Winter 1964:** HCC Team came in 1st in the CFNC East Bay League with a 4-2 score for the 1963-1964 season.
- **April 1965:** Ray Schutt was the first HCC member to achieve a Master rating of 2285* USCF (* based on 10 to 24 rated games). It wasn't until December of 1967 that he achieved an established rating of 2225 USCF.

The Richard Shorman years: Richard developed an intense love of the game early on. He acquired thousands of chess books and read them all very carefully. Despite his extreme intelligence and gift for languages (especially Russian), he found chess improvement very difficult. In the late 1950's he became a protégé of George Koltanowski's, and even ghosted a number of Kolty's daily chess columns. Richard developed his writing skill during this period and enjoyed himself so much that he was loath to turn the column back to George, which eventually led George to one day exclaim in exasperation, "Why don't you start your own column." While he was associating with George, Richard noticed how Kolty mowed down his simultaneous exhibition opponents tactically. This led Richard to start playing gambits...his rating jumped to expert after only two or three tournaments. A monastic life style and expertise at several forms of martial arts, eventually led Richard to embrace the spiritual side of the art as well. Being a very gifted chess teacher with a high degree of charisma, students, young and old started flocking to him. He taught chess with a dose of spirituality. By 1966, when the club met on 2058 D Street (Hayward Arts and Science Center), Monday and Friday from 8-11 p.m, Richard was in charge of it...

- **July, 1966:** Loren Taylor, 1st Board for the HS chess team, received the 1st \$100 scholarship award from the HCC for outstanding achievement as a chess player and a student at Sunset High School.
- **Fall, 1966:** HCC member Everett McNally and Bob Hansen tried to start a chess club at Chabot Junior College of Hayward. It didn't last.

The club entered a team in the 1966-67 CFNC League (East Bay Division) and only scored 3-5. Ray Schutt recalled leaving the club in 1967. In the spring of 1967, Jim Hutchinson, myself and Jerry Hutchinson (who had graduated the year before from San Leandro HS) drove to the HCC for a Friday night meeting. Jim and I were members of Ray Ausmus's San Leandro High School Chess Club and Team; neither of us had ever been to a real chess club before. I remember entering the club, a room about 12' by 20', and being struck by the heavy scent of tobacco smoke. Of course, it was par for the course in those days and didn't faze me in the least. There were several long tables going down the length of the room with about a dozen grim faced men playing chess; I was impressed. I'd heard about the chess expert, Richard Shorman, from Jerry as we drove to the club and was very disappointed that he wasn't there. I'd never seen an expert before and was anxious to meet one. At first, all the players had partners, so it was a while

before I got to play. I was blasted twice in quick succession when I finally sat down to play... Jerry wanted to leave around 9pm and since he had the car, we all left. It wasn't until several weeks later that I met Richard.

- **August 6, 1967:** HCC member Richard Shorman's Sunday chess column started in the Hayward Daily Review. Around this time, Richard started showing up at local Hayward High School team matches, Bay Area clubs and tournaments, and the Cherryland Café in his quest for material for his column. He'd see an interesting game, stop, and a clean score sheet would magically appear in his hand; to be followed by a written score that looked like calligraphy.
- **Monday, September 18th, 1967:** Ray Ausmus started holding Rapid Transit Tournaments (10 seconds a move) once a month. He had a reel-to-reel tape that buzzed on 8 seconds and gonged on 10 seconds. (He gave the tape to me in 1970; and I give it to Richard Shorman in 1973.) Richard Shorman's column (September 17, 1967) said, "Monthly winner receives a certificate. Player with the most certificates at the end of the year wins a trophy and title of club rapid transit champion. Entry fee is only 35c a tournament."
- **Monday, October 30, 1967:** The 2nd HCC Rapid Transit Tournament was held.
- **Monday, November 27, 1967:** The 3rd rapid transit tournament was held.

The 1967 HCC Championship started in early December; Mike Tritch lost to Louis Osternig.

- **Monday, December 11, 1967:** The 4th rapid transit was held and started at its usual 8pm time.

The HCC entered a team into the CFNC East Bay League for the 1967/68 season.

- **November 4, 1967:** The HCC team drew a match with:

Square Morphys				Hayward		
Board #	Name	Rating	Result	Name	Rating	Result
1	Jack Ransen	1686	0	Richard Shorman	1991	1
2	Bill Chamberlin	1732	1	Robert Boles	1836	0
3	Richard Hall	1728	1	Forfeit		0
4	Dave Heinz	1667	1	Lupe Lopez	1661	0
5	Ed Albrecht	1571	0	Jerry Friedman	1663	1
6	W. S. Allen	1521	0	Fred Crosby	1641	1

- **December 1, 1967:** HCC team beat:

Oakland Stingers	Hayward
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Board #	Name	Rating	Result	Name	Rating	Result
1	Gary Weber	2001	0	Robert Boles	1816	1
2	Mike Weber	1854	0.5	Carl Ehmann	1692	0.5
3	Martin Morrison	1481	0	Louis Osternig	1658	1
4	Edward Britton	1538	0	Lupe Lopez	1645	1
5	Margaret Sloane	1527	1	Jerry Friedman	1647	0
6	John Gerrand	1638	0	Harry Shorman	1550	1

- **December 18, 1967:** HCC team beat:

Hayward				Alameda		
Board #	Name	Rating	Result	Name	Rating	Result
1	Van Fong	1875	1	Dan Klinkenberg	1884	0
2	Ernest Bartholomew	1726	1	Darrell Freeman	1663	0
3	Carl Ehmann	1698	1	Jim Belcher	1634	0
4	Lupe Lopez	1657	1	Jerry Gerhardt	1618	0
5	Jerry Friedman	1626	1	Albert Hall	1650	0
6	Fred Crosby	1652	1	Ray Love	1550	0

- **January 10, 1968:** HCC team drew:

Berkeley				Hayward		
Board #	Name	Rating	Result	Name	Rating	Result
1	Jim Ulrich	2184	0.5	Richard Shorman	1995	0.5
2	Bill Sprague	1911	1	Forfeit		0
3	Chuck McGinley	1765	0	Ernest Bartholomew	1739	1
4	Anatole Eiche	1559	0.5	Carl Ehmann	1711	0.5
5	Gil Roy	1770	1	Lupe Lopez	1671	0
6	Larry Cook	1519	0	Ralph Segura	1513	1

- **January 22, 1968:** HCC team drew:

Hayward				Richmond		
Board #	Name	Rating	Result	Name	Rating	Result
1	Robert Boles	1839	1	Forfeit		0
2	Ernest Bartholomew	1726	1	Lincoln Brown	1764	0
3	Carl Ehmann	1705	0	P. M. Brown, Jr.	1656	1
4	Forfeit		0	Leonard Trottier	1526	1
5	Lupe Lopez	1659	0	Eddy Jackson	1557	1
6	Ralph Segura	1529	1	Paul Arnstein	1481	0

- **February 5, 1968:** HCC team lost to:

Hayward				Oakland Knighthawks		
Board #	Name	Rating	Result	Name	Rating	Result
1	Van Fong	1891	0.5	David Forthoffer	2022	0.5
2	Robert Boles	1839	0	Randall Hough	1954	1
3	Ernest Bartholomew	1756	0	David Rapaport	1748	1
4	Carl Ehmann	1687	0	David Glanville	1763	1
5	Lupe Lopez	1639	1	Richard Lee	1707	0
6	Harry Shorman	1570	0	Jack Dennis	1646	1

- **February 23, 1968:** HCC team beat:

Oakland Knights Owls				Hayward		
Board #	Name	Rating	Result	Name	Rating	Result
1	Bob Trenberth	1836	0	Richard Shorman	2003	1
2	Richard Hansen	1844	0	Robert Boles	1828	1
3	William Parker	1648	1	Everett McNally	1580	0
4	Fred Hibbler	1695	1	Lupe Lopez	1658	0
5	Jonathan Hale	1623	0	Jerry Friedman	1643	1
6	Jim Dorfman	1516	0	Fred Crosby	1664	1

The HCC team came in tied for third & fourth in the 1967/1968 CFNC League.

- **January 15, 1968:** The 1st rapid transit tournament of the year started on Monday at 8 pm.
- **February 26, 1968:** The 2nd rapid transit tournament of the year.
- **April 1, 1968:** The 3rd rapid transit tournament of the year.
- **April 15, 1968:** The 4th rapid transit tournament of the year.
- **May 6, 1968:** The 5th rapid transit tournament of the year; Lupe Lopez was winning most of them. Lupe, first board on the Sunset High School (Hayward) chess team, was one of Richard Shorman's first and best students. He was gifted with a high degree on tactical talent and rose to class A very quickly. Since he lived near the Cherryland Café, he spent a lot of time there playing speed chess with Garry 'the Viper' Wilson (champion of the café – former roommate of Duncan Suttles). Two other Shorman students of note were Robert Martinez (Mt. Eden High School) and Fred Crosby. Robert, also very good tactically, had a gift for seeing unusual moves in standard positions. Fred, like his Hayward High School teammate Van Fong, had a talent for positional evaluation.

- **June 30, 1968:** The HCC held its 6th Annual Chess Festival on a Sunday at the Weekes Community Center, 27182 Patrick Avenue, Hayward. Ray Ausmus, the director, said, “Prizes and trophies galore. Play begins between 9 and 10 a.m.; late sections start after church, 12:30 and 1 p.m. Featured events will be 4-man section tournaments, a rapid transit tourney, problem solving competition and simultaneous exhibition. Come early and bring the family. Picnic grounds and play areas available for the children. Entry fee is \$3.50 for adults, \$3 for students and \$2.50 for juniors (14 yrs. Old and under). If possible, bring your own chessmen and board.” \$100 from this festival will be used as a scholarship for a deserving Hayward high school chess player.

The Scaccic Voice Editor was Martin Morrison. His regional Central California Chess Association (CCCA) was trying to become the dominant organization in the SF Bay Area. Thus, he refused to recognize the CFNC’s ratings; referring to them as “club” ratings.

- **June 1968:** Scaccic Voice Volume 1, Number 2.
 - Location: Hayward Arts and Science Center, 2058 D Street, Hayward
 - Meeting Times: Monday & Friday, 7:00 pm.
 - Members:
 - Raymond Ausmus, club 1747
 - Ernest Bartholomew, club 1638, USCF 1586*
 - W. Castellano, club 1626
 - D. Drinkwater, club 1649
 - D. Edman, club 1583
 - Carl Ehmann, club 1659
 - R. English, club 1599
 - R. Fouch, club 1523
 - M. Frandy, club 1631
 - Jerry Friedman, club 1617
 - Lupe Lopez, club 1735
 - D. Nelson, club 1574
 - D. Ortega, club 1620
 - Louis Osternig, club 1722
 - Eric Salo, club 1605
 - R. Segura, club 1626
 - Al Shepperson, club 1839
 - Richard Shorman, club 1991
 - L. Vadnais, club 1644
 - John Wheeler, club 1568
- **July 5, 1968:** Van Fong received a \$100 scholarship award from the HCC for outstanding achievement as a chess player and a student at Hayward High School. His last high school tournament win over Lupe Lopez on June 16th, cinched it.

- **July 8, 1968:** Rapid Transit Tournament (10 seconds a move) on Monday, at 8pm. Entry fee only 35 cents. Monthly winner received a certificate.
- **July 12, 1968:** HCC members (Carl Ehmann, Jerry Friedman, Lupe Lopez, Everett McNally & Richard Shorman) attended a CCA League meeting to determine pairings the 1968-9 season. The Hayward team captain was Carl Ehmann.
- **August 1968:** When HCC member Everett McNally became the official CCA Rating Administrator, he started using CFNC ratings as well as club ratings.
- **August 1968:** Scaccic Voice Volume 1, Number 4.
 - President: Ernest Bartholomew
 - Team Captain: Carl Ehmann
 - Location: Hayward Arts and Science Center, 2058 D Street, Hayward
 - Meeting Times: Monday & Friday, 8:00 pm to 11:00pm.
 - Members:
 - Raymond Ausmus, club 1747
 - R. Bentson, USCF 1613#
 - E. Canfield
 - Carl Ehmann, CFNC 1674
 - M. Frandy, club 1631
 - Jerry Friedman, CFNC 1658
 - Jim Hutchinson
 - Kerry Lawless
 - Everett McNally, CCA 1797
 - Louis Osternig, CFNC 1667
 - Eric Salo, club 1605
 - Richard Shorman, CFNC 2012
 - Lance Thompson, CFNC 1689
 - L. Vадnais, club 1644
 - John Wheeler, club 1568
 - R. Williams
- **August 12, 1968:** Rapid Transit Tournament (10 seconds a move) on Monday, at 8pm. Entry fee only 35 cents. Monthly winner received a certificate.
- **August 14, 1968:** Lupe Lopez vs. Larry Kohl match started; Lupe won the match...
- **September 16, 1968:** A Team Captain's meeting for the 1968/1969 CFNC League season was held at the HCC, 2058 D Street, Hayward.
- **September 30, 1968:** HCC member Richard Shorman's chess column started in the Fremont/Newark Argus.

- **October 1968:** Scacchic Voice Volume 1, Number 5-6.
 - President: Richard Shorman
 - Members:
 - Raymond Ausmus, club 1747
 - Ernest Bartholomew, USCF 1586*
 - E. Canfield
 - W. Castellano, CFNC 1626
 - G. E. Cohen
 - Carl Ehmann, CFNC 1674
 - Van Fong
 - R. Fouch
 - M. Frandy, club 1631
 - Jerry Friedman, CFNC 1658
 - Jim Hutchinson
 - Kerry Lawless
 - Everett McNally, CCCA 1797
 - G. Myers
 - Louis Osternig, CFNC 1667
 - Eric Salo, club 1605
 - Richard Shorman, CFNC 2012
 - B. Thach
 - Lance Thompson, CFNC 1689
 - L. Vadnais, club 1644
 - John Wheeler, club 1568
 - R. Williams

- **October 21, 1968:** HCC drew the Alameda CC (at the McKinley Park Recreation Center in Alameda) while playing in the CCCA (Central California Chess League).

- **November 1968:** HCC member, Kerry Lawless, started another chess club at Chabot Junior College of Hayward called the Chabot Chess Club.

In the first round of the 1968/1969 CFNC League season, Hayward lost to:

Hayward				Oakland Knighthawks		
Board #	Name	Rating	Result	Name	Rating	Result
1	Richard Shorman	2012	0	David Forthoffer	2057	1
2	Robert Martinez	1691	1	Randall Hough	1944	0
3	Carl Ehmann	1674	1	Forfeit		0
4	Jerry Friedman	1665	0	David Glanville	1775	1
5	Lupe Lopez	1732	0	Charles Maddigan	1600	1
6	G. E. Cohen	1550	0	Douglas Turney	1471	1

Hayward had a bye in the second round. Third round (January 24, 1969), Hayward beat:

Hayward				Oakland Stingers		
Board #	Name	Rating	Result	Name	Rating	Result
1	Richard Shorman	1998	0	Gary Weber	1973	1
2	Everett McNally	1628	1	David Rappaport	1874	0
3	Carl Ehmann	1674	0.5	Craig Tabler	1797	0.5
4	Lupe Lopez	1711	1	Jack Dennis	1655	0
5	Mike Albertson	1535	0	Ted Anderson	1581	1
6	Jerry Crimmins	1550	1	John Gerrand	1542	0

Fourth round, Hayward drew:

Hayward				Oakland Stingers		
Board #	Name	Rating	Result	Name	Rating	Result
1	Richard Shorman	1981	1	Forfeit		0
2	Carl Ehmann	1679	1	Dan Klinkenberg	1720	0
3	Lupe Lopez	1725	1	Al Hall	1639	0
4	David Ortega	1650	0	Darrell Freeman	1653	1
5	Jerry Friedman	1653	0	Gay Orr	1644	1
6	G. E. Cohen	1530	0	Leonard Petty	1508	1

Fifth round (February 3, 1969), Hayward beat:

Chabot College				Hayward		
Board #	Name	Rating	Result	Name	Rating	Result
1	Robert Martinez	1691	0.5	Richard Shorman	1981	0.5
2	Kerry Lawless	1714	0	Everett McNally	1654	1
3	Jim Hutchinson	1667	0.5	Carl Ehmann	1697	0.5
4	Lance Thompson	1689	0	Lupe Lopez	1738	1
5	Bill Rose	1728	1	David Ortega	1634	0
6	Jim Rosenheim	1550	0	G. E. Cohen	1513	1

Sixth round, Hayward lost to:

Oakland Kighthawks				Hayward		
Board #	Name	Rating	Result	Name	Rating	Result
1	David Forthoffer	2084	0.5	Richard Shorman	1969	0.5
2	Raymond Ng	1833	1	Everett McNally	1672	0
3	Charles Maddigan	1660	0.5	Carl Ehmann	1645	0.5
4	Sandor Tresz	1716	0	Lupe Lopez	1803	1
5	David Glanville	1794	1	Louis Osternig	1632	0
6	Douglas Turney	1515	0.5	Mike Albertson	1521	0.5

Seventh round, Hayward beat:

Hayward				Oakland Stingers		
Board #	Name	Rating	Result	Name	Rating	Result
1	Richard Shorman	1974	0	Mike Weber	1883	1
2	Everett McNally	1662	1	Maurice Crossland	1653	0
3	Jerry Friedman	1637	0.5	Ted Anderson	1604	0.5
4	Carl Ehmann	1646	1	Albert Ramirez	1583	0
5	David Ortega	1622	1	Gary Rosen	1532	0
6	G. E. Cohen	1530	1	Jim Harner	1247	0

Eighth round, Hayward had a bye. Ninth round (January 20, 1969), Hayward beat:

Hayward				Alameda		
Board #	Name	Rating	Result	Name	Rating	Result
1	Richard Shorman	1954	0.5	Steve Nelson	1772	0.5
2	Everett McNally	1678	1	Darrell Freeman	1673	0
3	Carl Ehmann	1659	0.5	Oscar Sobel	1705	0.5
4	Lupe Lopez	1816	1	Jerry Gerhardt	1597	0
5	Jerry Friedman	1592	1	Gay Orr	1660	0
6	G. E. Cohen	1535	0	Leonard Petty	1544	1

Tenth round, Hayward drew:

Hayward				Chabot College		
Board #	Name	Rating	Result	Name	Rating	Result
1	Richard Shorman	1947	0	Robert Martinez	1685	1
2	Everett McNally	1694	1	Forfeit		0
3	Lupe Lopez	1823	0.5	Jim Hutchinson	1601	0.5
4	Carl Ehmann	1661	0.5	Kerry Lawless	1700	0.5
5	Louis Osternig	1622	1	Bill Rose	1751	0
6	Jerry Crimmins	1411	0	Bill Butler	1516	1

The HCC team came in second in the 1968/1969 CFNC League.

- **November 18, 1968:** HCC drew the Newark CC in the CCCA League at Hayward.
- **November 29, 1968-January 31, 1969:** The CFNC rated, five-game match between HCC junior members, Lupe Lopez and Mike Albertson was won by Lupe Lopez with a score of 3.5-1.5. The \$10 purse was held by Richard Shorman who also acted as director and adjudicator.

- **December 2, 1968:** Rapid Transit Tournament (10 seconds a move) on Monday, at 8pm. Entry fee only 35 cents. Monthly winner received a certificate.
- **December 6, 1968:** HCC beat the Oakland CC “Stingers” in the CCCA League at Oakland.
- **January 13, 1969:** HCC beat the Oakland CC “Oaks” in the CCCA League at Hayward.
- **December 1968-January 1969:** Scacchic Voice Volume 1, Number 7-8.
 - Members:
 - Raymond Ausmus, club 1773
 - Ernest Bartholomew, USCF 1586*
 - E. Canfield
 - William Castellano, USCF 1737
 - G. E. Cohen, USCF 1543
 - Carl Ehmann, CFNC 1674
 - Van Fong
 - R. Fouch, CFNC 1550
 - M. Frandy, club 1631
 - Jerry Friedman, CFNC 1658
 - Jim Hutchinson
 - Kerry Lawless
 - Everett McNally, CCCA 1797
 - G. Myers
 - Eric Salo, club 1578
 - Richard Shorman, CFNC 2012
 - B. Thach, USCF 1594
 - Lance Thompson, CFNC 1689
 - L. Vadnais, USCF 1624
 - John Wheeler, CFNC 1599
 - R. Williams
- **January 26, 1969:** Rapid Transit Tournament on Monday.
- **February-March 1969:** Scacchic Voice Volume 1, Number 9-10.
 - Meeting Times: Monday & Friday, 8:00 pm to 12:00pm.
 - Members:
 - B. Allen, CFNC 1814
 - Raymond Ausmus, club 1773
 - Ernest Bartholomew, USCF 1586*
 - E. Caldwell
 - E. Canfield
 - W. Castellano, USCF 1737
 - G. E. Cohen, USCF 1543

- Jerry Crimmins, CFNC 1399
 - Fred Crosby, CFNC 1674
 - Tom Dorsch, USCF 1877
 - Carl Ehmann, CFNC 1660
 - Van Fong, CFNC 1896
 - R. Fouch, CFNC 1550
 - M. Frandy, club 1631
 - Jerry Friedman, CFNC 1664
 - Rendon Holloway
 - Larry Kohl, CFNC 1568
 - D. Landfried
 - Kerry Lawless
 - L. Lee
 - Lupe Lopez, CCA 1722
 - S. Magness
 - Robert Martinez, CFNC 1691
 - Paul. Masgalajian
 - Everett McNally, CCA 1899
 - G. Myers
 - D. Ortega
 - Louis Osternig, CFNC 1632
 - S. Perkins
 - Eric Salo, club 1578
 - Al Shepperson, CCA 1800
 - Ed Silva, CFNC 1498
 - Richard Shorman, CFNC 2009
 - B. Thach, USCF 1594
 - Lance Thompson, CFNC 1689
 - Mike Tritch
 - L. Vadnais, club 1624
 - H. Weissenborn, CCA 1550
 - John Wheeler, club 1599
- **February 14, 1969:** HCC beat the Richmond CC in the CCA League at Richmond.
 - **March 8, 1969:** HCC beat the San Quentin CC in the CCA League at San Quentin.
 - **March 16, 1969:** Rapid Transit Tournament on Monday.
 - **April 21, 1969:** HCC member Richard Shorman's Monday chess column began in the Dublin/Livermore/Pleasanton Herald & News.

- **April 28, 1969:** Jude Acers gave a lecture and conducted a Simultaneous Exhibition on 18 boards at the HCC. The following players were on the signup sheet; unfortunately, the results aren't known. (Kerry Lawless drew.)
 - 1) Carl Ehmann
 - 2) Larry Kohl
 - 3) Lupe Lopez
 - 4) Robert Martinez
 - 5) Ed Fegan
 - 6) Harry Brown
 - 7) Al Hall
 - 8) Darrell Freeman
 - 9) Paul Mascalajian
 - 10) Leonard Petty
 - 11) Gay Orr
 - 12) Jerry Gerhardt
 - 13) Rendon Holloway
 - 14) Ed Silva
 - 15) Kerry Lawless
 - 16) Steve Nelson
 - 17) Steve Townsend
 - 18) Richard Shorman

- **April-May 1969:** Scacchic Voice Volume 1, Number 11-12.
 - Meeting Times: Monday & Friday, 8:00 pm to 12:00pm.
 - Members:
 - Mike Albertson
 - Raymond Ausmus, club 1773
 - Ernest Bartholomew, USCF 1586*
 - E. Canfield, club 1657
 - William Castellano, club 1737
 - G. E. Cohen, CCCA 1563
 - Jerry Crimmins, CFNC 1399
 - Carl Ehmann, CCCA 1660
 - M. Frandy, CCCA 1631
 - Jerry Friedman, CCCA 1664
 - Rendon Holloway
 - Leon Hopkins
 - D. Landfried
 - Kerry Lawless
 - Lupe Lopez, CCCA 1722
 - Everett McNally, USCF 1887
 - S. Magness, club 1599
 - Robert Martinez
 - Paul. Masgalajian, club 1591
 - E. Nixon
 - D. Ortega, club 1661

- Louis Osternig, CFNC 1632
 - Eric Salo, club 1578
 - F. Scarano
 - D. Sehrt
 - Al Shepperson, CCCA 1800
 - Richard Shorman, CCCA 2009
 - Ed Silva, CFNC 1498
 - L. Vadnais, club 1624
 - Robert Weinberg
 - John Wheeler, club 1599
- **June 22, 1969:** 7th Annual Hayward Scholarship Chess Festival – held at the Weekes Community Center (27182 Patrick Avenue, Hayward) on Sunday, had 60 players. Picnic and play areas were available for the family. Chess Columnist, Richard Shorman, gave a lecture on steps toward improving chess play. Problem solving, simultaneous, and rapid transit events all followed the more serious play of four-player, Round-Robin sections. Almost \$100 was given away as door prizes alone, along with large trophies for section winners. Hayward Tournament Director Raymond Ausmus was the organizer and director. At the instigation of Raymond Ausmus (San Leandro High School teacher), the festival was designed to raise money for a \$100 scholarship, which is awarded to a chess-playing youth of outstanding academic qualifications.
- **June-July 1969:** Scacchic Voice Volume 2, Number 2-3.
 - Meeting Times: Monday & Friday, 8:00 pm to 12:00pm.
 - Members:
 - Mike Albertson
 - Raymond Ausmus, 1773
 - E. Canfield, 1657
 - William Castellano, 1787
 - G. E. Cohen, CCCA 1563
 - Jerry Crimmins, 1399
 - Carl Ehmann, 1660
 - M. Frandy, 1631
 - Jerry Friedman, 1664
 - Rendon Holloway
 - Leon Hopkins
 - P. Landfried
 - Kerry Lawless
 - S. Magness, 1599
 - Robert Martinez
 - Paul. Masgalajian, 1591
 - E. Nixon
 - D. Ortega, 1661
 - Louis Osternig, 1632
 - Eric Salo, 1578

- F. Scarano
 - D. Sehart
 - Al Shepperson, 1800
 - Richard Shorman, 2009
 - Ed Silva, 1498
 - L. Vadnais, 1624
 - Robert Weinberg
 - John Wheeler, 1599
- **July 14, 1969:** Hayward CC team played the Bechtel Corporation CC team. I lost, as white, on board 4 against T. Kayhill.
 - **August 4, 1969:** On Monday, the HCC had its annual post-Festival business meeting. The meeting was chaired by Raymond Wheeler while reports by Club Secretary Eric Salo, Club Treasurer Jerome Friedman, and Festival Director Raymond Ausmus were read. Richard Shorman was elected Club President.
 - **August-September 1969:** Scacchic Voice Volume 2, Number 4-5.
 - Meeting Times: Monday & Friday, 8:00 pm to 12:00pm.
 - Members:
 - Raymond Ausmus, 1773
 - E. Canfield, 1657
 - Jerry Crimmins, 1399
 - Carl Ehmann, 1660
 - M. Frandy, 1631
 - Jerry Friedman, 1664
 - Ed Fegan
 - Rendon Holloway
 - Leon Hopkins
 - Kerry Lawless
 - Louis Osternig, 1632
 - A. Pasch
 - Eric Salo, 1578
 - Richard Shorman, 2009
 - L. Vadnais, 1624
 - R. Weikum
 - John Wheeler, 1599
 - **September 12, 1969:** Jerome Friedman and Richard Shorman attended a business meeting of the Central California Chess Association at the Lincoln Elementary School in Oakland to decide the HCC's schedule for the CCCA League.
 - **October 1, 1969:** The club issued a Hayward Chess Club bulletin:
 - President: Richard Shorman
 - Secretary: Eric Salo

- Treasurer: Jerry Friedman
 - Location: Hayward Arts and Science Center, 2058 D Street, Hayward
 - Meeting Times: Monday & Friday, 7:30 pm to midnight.
 - Equipment Locker Combination: get from John Wheeler, Carl Ehmann, or Jerry Friedman.
 - Yearly Dues: Adults - \$8, Students - \$4
 - Monthly Knock-Out Tournament: directed by Jerry Friedman on the first Monday of every month. The monthly winner will receive a prize and be eligible to win the annual Knock-Out Championship Trophy.
 - Monthly Rapid Transit Tournament: directed by Raymond Ausmus. Entry fee \$.35. The monthly winner receives a certificate and is eligible to win the annual rapid transit championship trophy.
 - Perpetual Ladder Tournament: directed by Jerry Friedman every month. Any member who plays a minimum of 5 Ladder games during the month and gains the most Ladder points (at least 10) wins the monthly Ladder Prize and is eligible for the Annual Ladder Championship Trophy.
 - Annual Hayward Chess Club Open Tournament: directed by Everett McNally.
 - League Matches: Members are entitled to play in the Club Teams which are entered in the various leagues.
- **October-November 1969:** Scacchic Voice Volume 2, Number 6-7.
 - Meeting Times: Monday & Friday, 8:00 pm to 12:00pm.
 - Members:
 - Raymond Ausmus, 1773
 - E. Canfield, 1657
 - Jerry Crimmins, 1393
 - Carl Ehmann, 1644
 - Ed Fegan
 - M. Frandy, 1631
 - Jerry Friedman, 1664
 - Rendon Holloway 1402
 - Leon Hopkins 1394
 - Kerry Lawless 1680
 - Louis Osternig, 1632
 - A. Pasch
 - Eric Salo, 1578
 - Richard Shorman, 1989
 - L. Vadnais, 1624
 - R. Weikum
 - John Wheeler, 1599
- **November 23, 1969:** HCC co-founder, Hermann Ernst, passed away.
 - **November 24, 1969:** USCF Master Kenneth Fitzgerald gave a simultaneous exhibition at the Hayward CC.

- **December 22, 1969:** HCC Team Captain and 1st board Richard Shorman gave the four man team a lift to Deuel Vocational Institute (prison near Tracy) for a CCCA Team USCF Match in his blue Volkswagon (Supervolk). I can't remember who rode shotgun and almost fell out of the passenger side door (only his long-time students knew the trick of locking it securely.) I won my game as white against James Desho on 4th board and we won the match.
- **December 29, 1969:** Club president Richard Shorman, introduced new GM Walter Browne who gave a 75 minute lecture, followed by a simultaneous exhibition (12-1-0). Only club secretary, Eric Salo, managed to win.
- **December 1969-January 1970:** Scacchic Voice Volume 2, Number 8-9.
 - Meeting Times: Monday & Friday, 7:30 pm to 12:00pm.
 - USCF Members:
 - Mike Albertson 1505#
 - Ernest Bartholomew 1617
 - W. Goss 1742#
 - Lupe Lopez 1800*
 - Everett McNally 1828
 - Robert Martinez 1739#
 - M. Miller 1178#
- **January 19, 1970:** The HCC Championships began. Richard Shorman's column for the Herald and News (Dublin, Livermore, Pleasanton), January 12, 1970, wrote, "The Hayward Club and City Chess Championships will begin Monday, Jan. 19, at 8 p.m., at the Hayward Chess Club...Trophies will be awarded to the highest scoring players in each category (M, E, A, B, C, D, and unrated). Other prizes according to number of entries. Open to all Hayward residents or Hayward Chess Club members. The best placing city resident in each class will represent the city of Hayward in the Alameda County Chess Championships. Entry fee is \$2."
- **February 21, 1970:** Once again, HCC Team Captain and 1st board Richard Shorman gave the four man team a lift to Deuel Vocational Institute for a CCCA Team USCF Match. I won my game as black against Terry Maris on 3rd board and we won the match.
- **March 27, 1970:** USCF Expert Gary Pickler gave a simultaneous exhibition; scoring 13-2-0. Winners were D. J. Fitzpatrick & Rendon Holloway.
- **April 1970:** Kerry Lawless won the HCC Rapid Transit Match for the month; Lupe didn't show up! The ornate certificate was signed by Club President, Richard Shorman, and Club Tournament Director, Raymond Ausmus.
- **June 21, 1970:** 8th Annual Hayward Scholarship Chess Festival was held at the Weekes Community Center in Hayward. The Festival featured a rapid-transit

tourney, a simultaneous exhibition by USCF Expert Gary Pickler, a chess lecture on what separates a Grandmaster from a Master by CCCA League and Publicity Director Richard Shorman, and a four-round quad with a brilliancy prize for best game. Quad section winners received their choice of a trophy or cash. Door prizes given away were chess books, chess sets, and other chess supplies. Directed by Raymond Ausmus. All profits were donated to the Hayward Chess Scholarship Fund.

- **June 25, 1970:** HCC Champion, Everett McNally, gave a 15 game simultaneous exhibition at the Fremont CC. He lost to Terry Hengel (Fremont), Marty Sullivan (San Leandro), and John Thayer (Fremont); a draw went to Ken Jackson (Fremont). All four received memory plaques crafted by Fremont CC Director Hans Poschmann.
- **June-July 1970:** Chess Voice Number 15.
 - Meeting Times: Monday & Friday, 7:30 pm to 12:00pm.
 - USCF Members:
 - Mike Albertson 1478#
 - Ernest Bartholomew 1613
 - Robert Boles 1673
 - Jerome Friedman 1718
 - W. Goss 1666#
 - Rendon Holloway 1488#
 - Larry Kohl 1559#
 - Lupe Lopez 1800*
 - Everett McNally 1846
 - M. Miller 1508#
 - Ed Silva 1497
- **July 20, 1970:** Richard Shorman's Chess Column in the Dublin/Livermore/Pleasanton Herald & News, had a request from the HCC for chess books and magazines suitable for donating to the prison chess teams in the area.
- **July 23, 1970:** HCC beat the Fremont CC in a CCCA team match.
- **August 25, 1970:** HCC lost to the Everyman CC in a CCCA team match.
- **August-September 1970:** Chess Voice Number 16.
 - Meeting Times: Monday & Friday, 7:30 pm to 12:00pm.
 - USCF Members:
 - Mike Albertson 1478#
 - Ernest Bartholomew 1613
 - W. Goss 1666#
 - Rendon Holloway 1488#
 - Kerry Lawless 1722*

- Lupe Lopez 1800*
 - Everett McNally 1846
 - M. Miller 1508#
- **September 11, 1970:** Paul Masgalajian and Richard Shorman were the two representatives of the HCC to the business meeting of the CCCA at the Berkeley Central YMCA.
 - **October 24-25, 1970:** The HCC Team came in tied for 2nd Place (with the Livermore “A” Team) with 10.5 points in the First Pathfinder Team Tournament held in Fremont under the direction of Hans Poschmann. The Piedmont Hills High School team won a handsome ‘Black Knight’ Trophy, a chess clock and three hand crafted chess boards by coming in first with 13.5 points.
 - **October 29-30, 1970:** HCC Champion, Everett McNally, directed the 1970 East Bay High School Championship at Sunset High School on 22160 Princeton Street, Hayward. First and second place trophies were awarded in all three sections, Experienced, Novice, and Beginner.
 - **October-November 1970:** Chess Voice Number 17.
 - Meeting Times: Monday & Friday, 7:30 pm to 12:00pm.
 - USCF Members:
 - Mike Albertson 1478#
 - Ernest Bartholomew 1613
 - Rendon Holloway 1488#
 - Kerry Lawless 1722*
 - Lupe Lopez 1800*
 - Everett McNally 1846
 - **November 13, 1970:** The Hayward Team Captain for the CCCA USCF Division was Edward Silva.
 - **November 30, 1970:** On Monday, the HCC moved to the Palma Ceia Park. Hours were 7:30 to Midnight, Monday and Friday. Richard Shorman’s Sunday Chess Column in the Hayward Daily Review, for November 29, 1970, said, “If you don’t know how to play, we will teach you!” About this time, I left the HCC (although I had paid my membership dues months ahead) and the Chabot CC to begin my two year Navy cruise aboard the USS Enterprise. Jim Hutchinson took my place as President of the Chabot CC; later to be replaced by Ed Silva and Becky Oliver.

The Jerry Rogers Years: HCC membership dropped sharply after the move, because the location was not very accessible. A student of Richard Shorman’s, Jerry saw the need and encouraged by Richard, took control of the club. Jerry was personable and hard working, but he wasn’t very knowledgeable concerning chess or chess clubs. Being a married man with two kids and having a 9 to 5 job, he was frequently late when opening

the club. Luckily he had an assistant, Jay Blodgett, who was always there to open the club.

- **December 12, 1970:** Bobby Fischer won the Palma de Majorca Interzonal tournament with a unprecedented score of 18.5-4.5; 3 points ahead of second place! National interest in chess began to pick up; even Hayward felt it.
- **December 1970-January 1971:** Chess Voice Number 18.
 - Meeting Times: Monday & Friday, 8:00pm to 12:00pm.
 - USCF Members:
 - Mike Albertson 1478#
 - Ernest Bartholomew 1613
 - Rendon Holloway 1535*
 - Kerry Lawless 1753
 - Lupe Lopez 1800*
 - Everett McNally 1846
- **February-March 1971:** Chess Voice Number 19.
 - Meeting Times: Monday & Friday, 7:30pm to 12:00pm.
 - USCF Members:
 - Mike Albertson 1478#
 - Ernest Bartholomew 1613
 - Rendon Holloway 1664*
 - Leon Hopkins 1387#
 - Kerry Lawless 1774
 - Everett McNally 1846
- **February/March 1971:** In the Chess Voice, HCC member Ernest M. Bartholomew wrote, “The Hayward CC is now meeting in new quarters, the HARD (Hayward Area Recreation & Park District) Building in Palma Ceia Park. Meetings will continue to be held on Mondays and Fridays from 7:30 to 12:00 pm.”

Chess Columnist Richard Shorman gave impromptu lessons whenever asked, but didn't play. Jerry Rogers was the club director.

CCCA 1971 Championship Tournament: HCC's Jerry Rogers lost to Chabot College CC's Jim Hutchinson.

- **April-May 1971:** Chess Voice Number 20.
 - Meeting Times: Monday & Friday, 7:30pm to 12:00pm.
 - USCF Members:
 - Ernest Bartholomew 1613
 - Leon Hopkins 1387#
 - Larry Kohl 1646*
 - Kerry Lawless 1774

- Lupe Lopez 1800*
 - Everett McNally 1844
 - Edward Silva 1662
- **June 2, 1971:** Bobby Fischer beat Mark Taimanov in the first Candidates match with a score of 6-0! In Hayward, many of Richard's chess students were now going to Chabot College. Chess spilled over into the college cafeteria, from the lounge, and became an all day preoccupation. These same students also starting showing up for all night playing sessions at the Cherryland Café. Jerry saw that the HCC was in danger of becoming irrelevant and decided the club needed to sponsor community tournaments to keep in the public eye.
 - **June 26-27 , 1971:** The Hayward Summer Fest was held at San Felipe Park in Hayward. The 5-round Open Swiss was sponsored by the HCC and directed by TD Jerry Rogers.
 - **June-July 1971:** Chess Voice Number 21.
 - Meeting Times: Monday & Friday, 7:30pm to 12:00pm.
 - USCF Members:
 - Ernest Bartholomew 1613
 - Leon Hopkins 1329#
 - Everett McNally 1865
 - **July 20, 1971:** Bobby Fischer beat Bent Larsen in the second Candidates match with a score of 6-0! Former chess players started returning to the game.

Drawings for the first round of the CCCA Championship Tournament were held at the Hayward CC. The representative for the HCC was Jerry Rogers. About this time, Frisco Del Rosario started coming to the HCC. He became a student of Richard Shorman's and started attending a RRS class/lecture at Weekes Library, every Saturday. Frisco recalls walking several miles with Jay Blodgett to the club every Monday and Friday. He and I met and became friends during this time, as well.

- **August-September 1971:** Chess Voice Number 22.
 - Meeting Times: Monday & Friday, 8:00 pm to 12:00pm.
 - USCF Members:
 - Ernest Bartholomew, 1613
 - Leon Hopkins, 1329#
 - Everett McNally, 1865
- **October 3, 1971:** The 9th Annual Hayward Scholarship Chess Festival was held at Weekes Community Center. It was sponsored by the HCC and directed by Jerry Rogers.

- **October 26, 1971:** Bobby Fischer beat Tigran Petrosian 6.5-2.5. Chess popularity continued to escalate.
- **December 1971-January 1972:** Chess Voice Number 24.
 - USCF Members:
 - Ernest Bartholomew, 1613
 - Leon Hopkins, 1329#
 - Kerry Lawless, 1808
 - Everett McNally, 1865
 - Jerry Rogers, 1622*
- **April-May 1972:** Chess Voice Number 26.
 - USCF Members:
 - Ernest Bartholomew, 1613
 - G. Jones, 1422
 - Kerry Lawless, 1808
 - Everett McNally, 1870
 - Jerry Rogers, 1622*
- **May 7, 1972:** HCC co-founder, Wilhelm Schutt, passed away in Hayward...

CCCA 1972 Championship Tournament: HCC's Jerry Rogers lost to San Leandro CC's Martin Sullivan.

- **June 1972:** Chabot CC disbanded permanently and didn't finish their CCCA League schedule (they lost the three matches that they'd played).
- **July 27, 1972:** Hayward Review Columnist and HCC member, Richard Shorman, start giving lectures on the Fischer-Spassky Match at Cal State Hayward (Thursdays) in room 2038 of Mieklejohn Hall. He also translated Russian language newspapers for KQED's Friday and Saturday programs on the match.
- **August 5-6:** The HCC didn't instigate all the chess played in Hayward. Martin Morrison used the beautiful Meek Estate 26-room mansion and 9.75 acre park on Hampton Road as the site for the CCCA's Hayward Regional; which attracted 201 players. Players were able to choose whether to play inside the historic mansion, or outside in the shaded park area. The Meek Estate has been used several times for chess, over the decades.
- **August 31, 1972:** Robert Fischer beat Boris Spassky by the score of 12.5-8.5 and became the 11th World Chess Champion. Chess fever hit the United States big time. For the first time since Paul Morphy, chess became very fashionable and beginners entered the game in droves.

- **December 1972:** Central California Chess Association's HCC membership was 17.
- **Spring 1973:** The old Chabot CC I had started in the fall of 1968 had faded away. President of the new Chabot CC, Ed Silva, said, "I do remember starting the chess club in the spring of 1973 with Jim Pascrell, because we setup about 20 boards one afternoon in the student center & took on all comers to try to raise funds for the club....our chess book collection was right behind us for prizes to anyone who beat us! I remember only drawing one game, but giving the fella a book anyway, and I think Jim lost one or two games. A tremendous crowd of gawkers formed, so the Spectator newspaper at school covered it well, and the Daily Review may have even covered it as well, too, because we tipped them off that we were doing it."
- **June 9-10, 1973:** The 'All Comers Community Chess Tournament' was held at Weekes Park Community Center in Hayward. The 5-round unrated Open was sponsored by the South Hayward Parrish, the Hayward Area Recreation Department, the HCC, and drew 60 players. First through third places, in each division, received prizes; everyone left with a participation ribbon. It was directed by Richard Shorman. By this time, Richard had left his home on Tampa Avenue and settled at the Green Shutter Hotel in downtown Hayward. Coincidentally, his new apartment was directly above the original 1950 chess club quarters.
 - Adult Division (over 21 years old):
 - 1st, Jerry Rogers, Hayward, 4-1.
 - 2nd, Dick Cooley, Hayward, 3-2.
 - 3rd, Dave Mahoney, Hayward, 3-2.
 - Young Adult Division (to 21 years old):
 - 1st, Marty Reardon, Hayward, 4.5-.5.
 - 2nd, Steve Bell, Hayward, 4.5-.5.
 - 3rd, Martin Currie, Hayward, 2-3.
 - Youth Division (to 15 years old):
 - 1st, Ernest Curto, Fremont, 4.5-.5.
 - 2nd, Alfred Adams, Hayward, 4-1.
 - 3rd, Neil Harvey, San Lorenzo, 4-1.
 - Best Girl Award, Lisa Middleton, Hayward, 2-3.
 - Children's Division (to 10 years old):
 - 1st, David Temple, Hayward, 4-1.
 - 2nd, Brandon Wong, Hayward, 4-1.
 - 3rd, Bill Olds, Fremont, 4-1.
 - Honorary Award, Sean Tayco, Hayward, 4-1 (lost on tiebreaking points).
 - Honorary Award, Kenny Fong, Hayward, 4-1 (lost on tiebreaking points).
 - Highest Scoring Girl Award, Anne Emerson, Hayward, 2-3.

- Highest Scoring Girl Award, Cheri Ho, Hayward, 2-3.
- **January–March, 1974:** Chabot CC members filled out the appropriate paperwork, so that HCC member and Hayward Daily Review columnist, Richard Shorman, could teach an Intermediate Chess class at Chabot College. It was about this time that Richard Shorman started coming to the Chabot College Student Center to observe the chess games being played, give impromptu lessons, and of course, record games for his chess columns.
- **February 16-18:** The Chabot CC sponsored the 1st California People's Chess Festival at Chabot College Student Center, which drew 199 players. It was directed by Guthrie McClain.
- **February 25, 1974:** The HCC Championship began. It was directed by Jerry Rogers. During this period, Steve Joplin dominated the HCC and won every HCC Championship he played in. He was a solidly built guy who stood somewhat over 6' 4"; Jerry began calling him, Godzilla! He had a peculiar habit of winning the championship and refusing to play in the regional events as the champion of the club. Jerry always had to send someone else to play in those events. In 1957, Steve played in the United States Junior in San Francisco, alongside Bobby Fischer (who, of course, won). He received a provisional Master rating of 2245 based on four games in December of 1972. It went down to the high 1700's, before going back up to class A when he started playing at the HCC.
- **March 23-24, 1974:** The Hayward team came in tied for 4th through 6th in the CCA Team tournament, USCF Division. Two team members won board prizes; Steve Joplin (4-0) and Fred Crosby (4-1).
- **June 29-30, 1974:** the 2nd Annual 'All Comers Community Chess Tournament' was held at Weekes Park Community Center in Hayward. The 5-round unrated Open was sponsored by the South Hayward Parrish and the HCC. First through third places, in each division, received commemorative ribbons; and the winners received books donated by Dalton's Bookstore in Southland Mall, the Gambit Game Store of Berkeley and Sgt. Robert Pellerin of the Fremont Police Department. It was directed by Richard Shorman.
- Adult Division:
 - 1st, Steve Joplin, Hayward, 4.5-.5.
 - 2nd, Hiawatha Bradley, Hayward, 3.5-1.5.
 - 3rd, Jerry Rogers, Hayward, 3.5-1.5.
- Young Adult Division:
 - 1st, Ernest Curto, Fremont, 4.5-.5.
 - 2nd, Marty Reardon, Hayward, 4-1.
 - 3rd, Michael Peakes, Hayward, 3-2.
- Youth Division:

- 1st, Sean Morrisroe, Hayward, 4-1.
- 2nd, Al Adams, Hayward, 3-2.
- 3rd, Frisco Del Rosario, Hayward, 3-2.
- Children's Division:
 - 1st, Just Joplin, Hayward, 6-0.
 - 2nd, Cheri Ho, Hayward, 3-3.
 - 3rd, Anne Emerson, Hayward, 3-3.
- **September 8, 1974:** HCC member Richard Shorman's Monday chess column ended in the Dublin/Livermore/Pleasanton Tri-Valley News (formerly the Herald & News).
- **September 16-December 14, 1974:** Richard Shorman taught an Advanced Chess Instruction class (Recreation 983 71) Wednesday 7-9.50pm, Room 317 at Chabot College. The course textbook was Masters of the Chessboard. His enrolled students were:
 - David Andrakin
 - Kip Brockman
 - Leo Connelly
 - Michael Dyslin
 - Carl Ekoos
 - Manuel Galindez
 - Bruce Jarvis
 - Kerry Lawless
 - Lupe Lopez
 - Robert Martinez
 - Robert McAllister
 - Kang Mei
 - Frank Mora
 - Michael Padovani
 - Robert Pellerin
 - William Robinson
 - Jerry Rogers
 - Gary Smith
 - David Stambuck
 - Elizabeth Traina
 - Lemoyne Vance
 - Paul Vayssie
 - Robert Wilson

(Note: Carl Ekoos, one of Richard's students above, was the teacher who sponsored the 1931-1946 Hayward Union High School Black Bishop chess team which produce the 1948 Hayward Mates Chess Club...small world!)

- **November 10, 1974:** HCC member Richard Shorman's chess column ended in the Fremont/Newark Argus.

- **October 28-November 15, 1974:** The HCC 'Trick or Treat' Tournament was held and directed by Jerry Rogers at the Palma Ceia Park.
- **January 13-April 25, 1975:** The HCC Championship, 'Jack Frost Tournament', directed by Jerry Rogers, attracted eight players, and was held at the Palma Ceia Park with the following results:
 - Steve Joplin (1771) 7-0, 1st Place \$35
 - Jerry Rogers (1691) 6-1, 2nd Place \$20
 - Leo Connolly (1461) 3.5, 3rd Place \$10
- **April 3, 1975:** Bobby Fischer forfeited his World Championship title. Players decided that maybe chess wasn't so glamorous. The number of chess players slowly started declining in the country and in Hayward.
- **April-June 1975:** Richard Shorman taught an Intermediate and Advanced Chess class at Chabot College (Recreation 98.3-71).
- **June 1975:** Club president, Ed Silva, transferred and the Chabot CC faded away...again.
- **July 11, 1975:** Dog Days Tournament. (Entry Fee \$6 member, \$9 non-members.) (Not listed or rated by the USCF.)

CCCA 1975 Championship Tournament: HCC's Jerry Rogers lost to University of California CC's Kerry Lawless

- **September 6-7, 1975:** The HCC sponsored the Annual Hayward Chess Festival; 76 players attended. The 4-round Open Swiss was held at 'The White Hall' (1022 B Street) in downtown Hayward and directed by Jerry Rogers.
 - Open Division:
 - 1st, Steven Spencer (2259), Willow Spring, Mo., 3.5-.5, \$115.
 - 2nd-3rd, Martin Sullivan (2098), Hayward, and Borel Menas ((2050), Daly City, 3-1, \$30 each.
 - Class A:
 - 1st, Reynauldo Johnson (1953), Oakland, 3-1, \$115.
 - 2nd, Roy Blackmer (1843), Palo Alto, 2.5-1.5, \$40.
 - 3rd-5th, Greg Payne (1924), Palo Alto, Eric Burris (1850), San Rafael, James Buff (1830), San Francisco, 2-2, \$7 each.
 - Class B:
 - 1st, Randy Fong (1669), Hayward, 3.5-.5, \$115.
 - 2nd-5th, Richard Phillips (1743), San Carlos, Fred Crosby (1657), Hayward, Louis Argyres (1646), San Leandro, and Steven Jacobi (1619), San Luis Obispo, 3-1, \$15 each.

- Class C:
 - 1st, Nicholas Tripolski (1591), Burlingame, Iraj Rahbar (1587), Campbell, Greg Pinelli (1525), San Francisco, Craig Loop (1509), Walnut Creek, Robert Berkey (1501), East Palo Alto, and Norman Dibble (1497), Oakland, 3-1, \$30 each.
 - College Grant, Rick Kiger (1544), (Cal State), San Leandro, 2-2, \$20.
- Class D:
 - 1st, Gene Crocker (1359), Berkeley, 4-0, \$115.
 - 2nd, Robert Berg (1243), Vacaville, 3.5-.5, \$40.
 - 3rd, Claus Schilling (1258), Pittsburg, 2.5-1.5, \$10.
- Class E:
 - 1st, Alex Ondi (1096), San Jose, 3-1, \$40.
 - 2nd, Alan Rollerson (1144), Oakland, 2.5-1.5, \$10.
- Unrated Division:
 - 1st, Robert Black, Union City, 3.5-.5, \$35.
- **October 17 – November 7, 1975:** The HCC inter-club “Trick ‘R Treat” Tournament was held. (\$6 members, \$10 non-members; 5:30-10pm) TD Jerry Rogers:
 - Leo Connolly (1484) 2.5 points, 1st Place \$16
 - Steve Joplin (1825) 2 points, 2nd Place \$6
- **November 14 – December 12, 1975:** The HCC inter-club “Hayward Turkey Shoot” Tournament was held. (\$6 members, \$10 non-members; 5:30-10pm) TD Jerry Rogers
- **November 16, 1975 & December 14, 1975:** Two of Richard Shorman’s Daily Review Chess Columns said, “Anyone who becomes a member of the Hayward Chess Club may now compete for the newly created office of Club Champion, which entitles the best player in the club to a \$50 prize, one year’s paid-up membership in the USCF, plus free entry fee into a major USCF tournament. In addition to his privileges as an officer of the Hayward Chess Club the Club Champion will captain Hayward’s teams in league and inter-club play and will represent Hayward in CCA Championships. For more information, please contact Jerry Rogers, H.C.C. Treasurer.”
- **December 19, 1975:** The preliminary 6-round Swiss for the HCC Championship, was followed by a Round-Robin among the four top finishers.

Around the end of December 1975, an incomplete list of members included:

- Jim Babb
- Ernest M. Bartholomew
- Jay Blodgett

- Frisco Del Rosario
- Ed Helvik
- Steve Joplin
- Lupe Lopez
- Robert Love
- Chris Mavraedis
- Louis Osternig
- Jerry Rogers
- Eric Salo
- Romeo Samo
- Al Shepperson
- Richard Shorman
- David Stambuck
- Larry Vadnais
- Sheldon Watson
- Steve Wegman
- John Wheeler

QuadraChess was invented by Hermina Saubermann in 1976. She gave an evaluation copy of it to Richard Shorman who brought it to the HCC. Frisco Del Rosario and Jon Wooley formed a team to take on all comers...they generally won. For years, there was usually a game going on during the chess club meeting.

- **Jan-Apr, 1976:** Steve Joplin (1825) won the HCC championship with 8.5 out of 9 games. Steve Bell (1674) took 2nd place with tie-breaks over Lupe Lopez (1800*). Both had 5 points. Then came Jerry Rogers (1700), Sheldon Watson (1308), Romeo Samo (1768), Jim Babb (1345), Chris Mavraedis (1714), Robert Love (1436), and Frisco Del Rosario (1416), in that order.
- **April 10-11, 1976:** HCC's Steve Bell (1654) was eliminated in the preliminary Swiss for the CCCA Closed Tournament of Club Champions.
- **May 22, 1976:** On Chabot College Community Day, Jerry Rogers and Steve Joplin took on all comers while giving out HCC flyers.
- **June 26-27, 1976:** Hayward Summerfest was sponsored by the HCC and directed by Jerry Rogers. 87 Players attended.
- **July 22, 1976:** Jerry Rogers (1700) and 8-year-old Kenny Fong (1279) had a 3 game training match; undoubtedly instigated by Kenny's coach, Richard Shorman. Kenny won two games to one.
- **September 11-12, 1976:** Hayward Chess Festival was sponsored by the HCC and directed by TD Jerry Rogers, assisted by Mike Donald. 76 Players attended the event held in Hayward's Centennial Hall.

- Open Section:
 - 1st, Ulf Wostner (Unrated), Berkeley, 4-1, \$80.
 - 2nd-3rd, Philip Smith (2012), Fresno, and Philip VanAken (1921), Castro Valley, 3.5-1.5, \$30 each.
- Class A:
 - 1st-2nd, Steven Cross (1992), Berkeley, and Gabriel Sanchez (1939), Santa Clara, 4-1, \$55 each.
- Class B:
 - 1st, Richard Phillips (1742), San Carlos, 4-1, \$70.
 - 2nd-4th, Roger Hofmann (1601), San Francisco, Leonard Monk (1700), Redwood City, and Todd Phillips (1705), Alameda, 3.5-1.5, \$13 each.
- Class C:
 - 1st-2nd, Peter Garneau (1536), Berkeley, and Rick Kiger (1574), San Leandro, 4.5-.5, \$55 each.
- Class D:
 - 1st-2nd, Kristan Lawson (1395), Berkeley, and Paul Slack (1377), Napa, 4-1, \$55 each.
- Class E:
 - 1st, Francis Hinkley (1198), Eureka, 4.5-.5, \$50.
 - 2nd, Karlis Veidins (1194), Antioch, 3.5-1.5, \$30.
- Unrated Division:
 - 1st, Lance Thompson, Fremont, 4.5-.5, \$30.
 - 2nd, Stan Weiss. San Francisco, 4-1, \$10.
- Non-Rated Beginners:
 - 1st, Ronald Ginsburg, San Francisco, 3.5-1.5, two-year USCF membership (\$28.50).
 - 2nd, Jay Blodgett, Hayward, 3-2, one-year USCF membership (\$15).

- **October 1, 1976:** The Northern California Chess Association or CalChess (for short) was formed. Chess organizers from all over Northern California were invited to participate and vote...HCC TD Jerry Rogers was listed (by Chess Voice) as not attending.

- **January 22-23, 1977:** The HCC in conjunction with the Hayward Area Parks and Recreation District sponsored the 30/30 Hayward Tornado Tournament. Jerry Rogers directed the 20 player event held at Swan Felipe Park in Hayward.
 - Open Section:
 - 1st, Martin Sullivan (2085), San Leandro, 5.5-.5 points - \$50
 - 2nd, Randy Fong (1907), Hayward, 5-1 points - \$35
 - B Section:
 - 1st, Ernest Curto (1753), Fremont, 4.5-1.5 points - \$35
 - C Section:

- 1st, Hans Poschmann (1567), Fremont, and Gary Smith (1542), San Leandro, each with 3-3 points -\$18
- D Section:
 - 1st, Charles Brunton (1325), San Leandro, 3-3 points - \$35
- Unrated Section:
 - 1st, Greg Kurrell, Redwood City, 4-2 points - \$35
- **Spring 1977:** After winning a preliminary 11 game round-robin in early spring, Kerry Lawless (1808) became the 1977 Hayward Club Champion by defeating Steve Joplin (1901) in a 12 game match.
- **March 17, 1977:** Cherryland Café closed its doors to the chess playing community for the last time. Harold and Illene James cited economic hard times as the ultimate cause of Cherryland's gradual demise.
- **June 25-26, 1977:** The Hayward Summerfest held at the Southland Mall, was sponsored by the HCC and directed by Jerry Rogers. (Not listed or rated by the USCF.)
- **July 16, 1977:** The Hayward Quads was sponsored by the HCC and directed by Jerry Rogers; gift certificates were given as prizes. (Not listed or rated by the USCF.)
- **July 29, 1977:** The Hayward Freebie Festival was sponsored by the HCC and directed by Jerry Rogers. (Not listed or rated by the USCF.)
- **August 27-28, 1977:** The Hayward Chess Festival was held at the San Lorenzo Park Community Center and sponsored by the HCC, directed by Jerry Rogers and assisted by Frisco Del Rosario. The four round Swiss, in three sections, attracted 68 players.
 - Open/A Division:
 - 1st: Thomas Dorsch (2129), Hayward, 3.5-.5 \$100.
 - 2nd-3rd: Robert Phillips (1920), San Leandro, and John Pope (2047), Berkeley, 3-1 \$50 each.
 - 4th-6th: Max Burkett (2125), Oakland, Martin Sullivan (2098), Hayward, and Norman Symonds (1908), Arcadia, 2.5-1.5, \$13 each.
 - Classes B-C:
 - 1st: Anthony Berrocoso (1481), Watsonville, 4-0, \$80.
 - 2nd: Thomas Pastusak (1799), San Jose, 3.5-.5, \$60.
 - 3rd-5th: Igor Buljan (1602), San Ramon, Kenny Fong (1622), Hayward, and Curtis Munson (1506), San Francisco, 3-1, \$15 each.
 - D-E-Unrated Division:
 - 1st: George Barber (1371), San Jose, 4-0, \$80.
 - 2nd-3rd: Michael Root (1324), Lagunitas, and Jon Wooley (1118), Hayward, 3.5-.5, \$40 each.

- 4th-7th: Ursula Foster (1278), Modesto, Leverett Pope (1292), Berkeley, Robert Wheeler (Unr.), Mt. View, and Allen Wong (Unr.), San Leandro, 3-1, \$15 each.

- **October 10, 1977:** The Hayward CC team beat the Fremont CC team:

Hayward			Fremont	
Board #	Name	Result	Name	Result
1	Kerry Lawless	1	Kenny Fong	0
2	Steve Joplin	1	Ernest Curto	0
3	Jon Wooley	1	Randy Blount	0
4	Jerry Rogers	0	Robert Phillips	1
5	Frisco Del Rosario	0	Hans Poschmann	1

- **October 29-30, 1977:** The Hayward representative, Frisco Del Rosario (1279), tied for 8th & 9th Places in the CalChess Tournament of Club Champions held at the Irvington branch of the Fremont Public Library. Hans Poschmann was the TD.
- **October, 1977:** The Black Bishop chess coach, Carl Ekoos, passed away.
- **November 5-6, 1977:** The Hayward Gobbler's Open, held at Centennial Hall, was sponsored by the HCC and directed by Jerry Rogers. (Not listed or rated by the USCF.)
- **January 7-8, 1978:** The Hayward Jack Frost Tourney, held at Hayward Centennial Hall, was sponsored by the HCC and directed by Jerry Rogers. The four round Swiss, in three sections, attracted 30 players.
 - Open/A Division:
 - 1st Overall: Eleaterio Alasua (2007), San Jose, 3.5-.5, \$40.
 - 1st A: Raymond Musselman (1914), Berkeley, 3.5-.5, \$35.
 - 1st B: Charlie Motz (1785), Berkeley, 3-1, \$35.
 - 2nd B: Kenny Fong (1628), Hayward, 2.5-1.5, \$20.
 - Classes C-D:
 - 1st C: Lee Starr (1508), Walden, New York, 3-1, \$30.
 - 2nd-3rd C: Myron Johnson (1502), Oakland, and Art Marthinsen (1590), San Rafael, 2.5-1.5, \$10 each.
 - 1st D: Jon Wooley (1350), Hayward, 3.5-.5, \$30.
 - Beginner Section:
 - 1st: Anthony Dronkers, San Leandro, 5.5-.5, one-year USCF membership.

- **February 11, 1978:** The Hayward Freebie Fest, held at the Meek Estate Mansion in Hayward, sponsored by the HCC and directed by Jerry Rogers. Eighteen players paid \$2.50 each for a rated 4-round 40/60 Swiss with no prizes. Alan LaVergne (2100) and Martin Sullivan (2088) tied for 1st with 3.5-.5
- **March 5, 1978:** The Hayward Speed-Freak Fest, sponsored by the HCC, was scheduled to be held at San Felipe Community Center, Hayward. Jerry Rogers cancelled the 30/30 4-round Swiss and 7-round Speed Chess tournaments because there were no advanced entries.
- **April 1, 1978:** The Hayward April Fool Tourney was sponsored by the HCC and directed by Jerry Rogers. (Not listed or rated by the USCF.)
- **May 6-7, 1978:** The Hayward Springfest, sponsored by the HCC and directed by Jerry Rogers, drew 14 players.
- **June 6, 1978:** Proposition 13 was approved by California voters. While this lowered the taxes paid on real estate, it also decreased local government funds for schools, libraries, and other government owned facilities. The HCC was meeting at the Palma Ceia Park Building...owned by the Hayward Area Recreation & Park District.
- **July 8-9, 1978:** The Hayward July Tourney was sponsored by the HCC and directed by Jerry Rogers. . (Not listed or rated by the USCF.)
- **August 12-13, 1978:** The Hayward Dog Days Tourney was sponsored by the HCC and directed by Jerry Rogers. (Not listed or rated by the USCF.)
- **September 9-10, 1978:** The Hayward Chess Festival was sponsored by the HCC and directed by Jerry Rogers. (Not listed or rated by the USCF.)
- **Dec-Jan 1978-79:** Chess Voice, Volume 11 Number 6, shows Captain Anchovy's Pizza Parlor (San Leandro) as the meeting place for displaced Hayward CC members. CV said, "...the Hayward Chess Club, now wiped out by Proposition 13." Director was Jerry Rogers.
- **March 24, 1979:** The Hayward Quads were sponsored by the HCC and directed by Jerry Rogers. (Not listed or rated by the USCF.)
- **April 25, 1979:** HCC member, Greg Humphrey, who also happened to intern at the Hayward Student Activities Office at Cal State Hayward, organized a match in the student cafeteria between the traveling 34-member team from National Polytechnic Institute of Mexico and a hastily assembled Bay Area team. The Mexican team, which had no masters, lost the one-sided match. The Bay Area team had several, including senior master Leonid Stolyarov on 1st board. Bi-lingual former World Junior Champion, Julio Kaplan, was the master of

ceremonies, Mike Goodall was the match director, Richard Shorman was the photographer, and Frisco Del Rosario was the calligrapher who produced the name plates for all the contestants.

- **August 18-19, 1979:** The Hayward Chess Festival was sponsored by the HCC and directed by Jerry Rogers. (Not listed or rated by the USCF.)

In 1979-80, while the HCC was in San Leandro, I ran a by invitation only chess club at my home on Klamath Court in Hayward. It was called the Klamath Court CC. Members were:

- Marty Sullivan
 - Tom Dorsch
 - Kerry Lawless
 - Bob Phillips
- **November 4, 1979:** We ran a 5 player round-robin tournament, the Klamath Classic Invitational, which was won by Frank Thornally (he was paid \$50 to play).

We formed a team, the Klamath Kings, which didn't do very well in the annual East Bay Team Tournament. The club was disbanded in late 1980 when I moved back to San Leandro.

- **March 5, 1981:** The "El Continental" Mediterranean Espresso Cafe at 22538 Main Street in downtown Hayward issued an invitation to area chess players; the inaugural meeting, 7pm, drew two dozen players.
- **March 29, 1981:** HCC member Richard Shorman's Sunday chess column ended in the Hayward Daily Review.
- **April 25-26, 1981:** The 'Hayward Opposition' team won the Reserve section of the CalChess Team Championships held in Walnut Creek with a 5-0 sweep. The HCC team won board prizes on 1st board, Robert Phillips, 3rd board, Jerry Rogers, and 4th board, Joseph Sanders.

The Kerry Lawless Years: I had experience in organizing and running chess clubs (Chabot CC, USS Enterprise CC, San Leandro CC, Captain Anchovy's CC, & Klamath Court CC) and enjoyed doing so. Also, Mike Sweeney was a great help. By the summer of 1981, the Hayward club had moved from Captain Anchovy's Pizza to the new "El Continental" Hayward location. I was the director. Every week, I ran a 15/15 time-odds tournament. Every 100 point difference in rating gave one minute to the lower rated player. Thus, a master would play an E player at about 2 minute to 28 minutes. Robert Henry, a strong expert, did very well at such odds. Ray Schutt rejoined the club, but didn't play in the time-odds tournaments; neither did Marty Sullivan.

- **July 9-16, 1981:** The 1st El Continental Café Open and HCC Championship was held. The result isn't known.
- **May 27, 1982:** HCC beat the Palo Alto CC in the Peninsula Chess League. (C. Bill Jones – Kerry Lawless drew on 1st board.)
- **June 4, 1982:** HCC beat the San Jose CC “B” team.

In 1982, the HCC team won the Peninsula Chess League Championship ahead of the San Jose CC and received a handsome custom wood trophy created by master cabinet maker Hans Poschmann.

In early 1983 after the Mediterranean Café went out of business, Richard Shorman suggested we move to the downtown Hayward Public Library; where an annual children's chess tournament had already been running for several years. For personal reasons, I asked Mike Sweeney to secure the upstairs room and become the director in my place. He very graciously accepted.

HCC member, Mike Padovani, donated 24 sets and 6 clocks to the newly re-formed HCC in the summer of 1983. I stenciled HCC on every board and clock; but, there wasn't anything I could do to effectively mark the sets.

- **September 26, 1983:** The HCC Inaugural Tournament drew 10 players and was directed by Mike Sweeney.
- **October 24, 1983:** The HCC Lucena Tribute Tournament drew 7 players. It was directed by Mike Sweeney.
- **October-November 1983:** Chess Voice Volume 16, Number 3, lists the HCC as meeting in the Hayward Public Library, 835 C Street, between 5:00 & 9:00pm Monday. Mike Sweeney was the director. Richard Osorio, Main Hayward Public Library Children's Librarian, became our library liaison.
- **August, 1984:** The HCC became USCF Affiliate number A6007014.
- **August 13, 1984:** The Hayward RR and Playoff for the Club Championship drew 8 players and was won by Steve Joplin (2103). It was directed by Mike Sweeney.
- **November 19, 1984:** The 2nd Annual Hayward Free for All Tournament, held at the downtown Hayward Main Public Library, drew 18 players. It was directed by Mike Sweeney.
- **April-May 1985:** Chess Voice Volume 18, Number 1, lists Kerry Lawless as the HCC director.

Richard Shorman gave a chess lecture every Monday night; sometimes outside the library main doors after the library closed – several of the HCC members dubbed them the “Garden Court Lectures”. Besides the yearly championships, the club ran USCF rated tournaments, speed tournaments and simultaneous exhibitions; generally given by some of the club masters - Ray Schutt (2333), Marty Sullivan (2331), or Kerry Lawless (2246).

- **May 20, 1985:** Kerry Lawless gave a simultaneous exhibition.
- **Fall 1985:** Alan Kobernat (2163) won the 1985 HCC Championship.
- **November 25, 1985:** The HCC Scwifflers Tournament drew 9 players. It was directed by Mike Sweeney.
- **December 16, 1985:** The first (and last) issue of the HAYWARD CHESS CLUB NEWSLETTER came out; Ray Schutt was the editor. In the newsletter he thanked Steve Joplin (who’d just received his NM certificate) for the several interesting lectures he’d recently given at the club. Around this time I interviewed Ray Schutt about HCC history. After the interview, Ray looked across the room, pointed Mr. Osternig out, and told me to interview him if I wanted to know about the history of Hayward chess. Sadly, I didn’t.
- **August, 1986:** HCC co-founder, Louis Osternig, passed away; he was 80 years old. I remember him as a very cheerful old gentleman...he was always smiling. A professional painter and a constant smoker, he produced a very fine painting of chess pieces and a smoking cigarette. He gave photos of it to his friends at the club and a reproduction of it resides on the front page of ChessDryad.com. He was also very proud of the fact that he beat Mike Tritch in the 1967 HCC Championship and would talk about it every time we met.
- **Fall 1986:** Steve Joplin (2159) won the 1986 HCC Championship. It was directed by Kerry Lawless.
- **August 22, 1987:** The Northern California Chess Association Directors meeting was held at the HCC. Mike Sweeney became a board member of the NCCA.
- **September 1987:** Kerry Lawless started working for the Games of Berkeley store and was able to purchase chess supplies for the HCC at a 20% discount.
- **Fall 1987:** Robert Martinez (1861) won the 1987 HCC Championship. It was directed by Kerry Lawless.
- **January 1988:** Bob Hansen, with the help of Kerry Lawless, rebooted the Chabot CC on Mondays from 5pm to 10pm.

- **May 16, 1988:** Sponsored by the HCC, Craig Mar gave a 16-game simultaneous exhibition at the Chabot CC; giving up only two draws.
- **Fall 1988:** Rahim Gran (2121) won the 1988 HCC Championship. It was directed by Kerry Lawless.

In 1988, the Hayward Chess Group was founded by Bob Hatch...his first member was 'Chuck' Johnson. The club met for casual play in the Hayward Area Senior Center at 22325 North Third Street on Mondays and Fridays between 12:30 and 4:00pm. Many of the senior members of the HCC played there.

- **October 20, 1988:** HCC member Mike Sweeney became a USCF Local TD.
- **February 1989:** Club President, Bob Hansen changed the meeting times for the Chabot CC to Thursdays between 5pm to 10pm; so the Kerry Lawless could be more involved with helping to direct club activities.
- **Fall 1989:** Rahim Gran (2054) won the 1989 HCC Championship. It was directed by Kerry Lawless.
- **July 1990:** Bob Hansen moved the Chabot CC from the campus, to a more informal setting across the street at the Lyon's Café.
- **Fall 1990:** Enayatullah Arjmand and Kerry Lawless (2274) tied for the 1990 HCC Championship. It was directed by Kerry Lawless
- **September-October 1991:** Rahim Gran won the 1991 HCC Championship; he was master strength at 15-30 minute sudden death time controls. He was given permanent possession of the custom wood trophy created by master cabinet maker Hans Poschmann. It was directed by Kerry Lawless.
 - Rahim Gran (2093) 6-1, 1st Place trophy.
 - John Romo (2109) 5-2, 2nd-4th Place ribbon.
 - Neil Regan (2057) 5-2, 2nd-4th Place ribbon.
 - Daniel Mandrackon (1892) 5-2, 2nd-4th Place ribbon.
 - Julie Regan (1679) 4.5-2.5, 1st Place Under 1800 ribbon.
 - Dan Westfall 4-3, 2nd-4th Place Under 1800 ribbon.
 - Don Nelson (1451) 4-3, 2nd-4th Place Under 1800 ribbon.
 - Besmella Ebrahimi 4-3, 2nd-4th Place Under 1800 ribbon.
- **Spring 1992:** Kerry Lawless and Richard Shorman started the CalGames database (later renamed CalBase by John Donaldson); a chess game database originally devoted to HCC games, but very soon after to all California chess games.

- **Fall 1992:** Faruk Obaid won the 1992 HCC Championship. It was directed by Kerry Lawless.
- **Fall 1993:** Rahim Gran (2144) won the 1993 HCC Championship. It was directed by Kerry Lawless.
- **November 7, 14, & 21, 1994:** Francisco Anchondo, Enayatullah Arjmand (1858), & Rahim Gran (2105) tied for the HCC Championship held on in the 2nd floor conference room of the downtown Hayward Public Library. The round robin was 30 minute sudden death. Entry fee was \$2. Kerry Lawless directed the tournament.
- **March 27-April 24, 1995:** The HCC Spring 30-minute Sudden Death Tournament was modeled on the Berkeley CC tournaments where if you wanted to play a round you were paired, and if you didn't want to play, you weren't paired. It was an experiment that didn't work out; most of the stronger players only played one game. First, Second and Third Place ribbons were awarded. Kerry Lawless directed the tournament.
 - Dave Stambuch 4, 1st Place ribbon.
 - Harold Mendenhall 3, 2nd Place ribbon.
 - Jay Blodgett 2, Tied for 3rd Place ribbon.
 - Chip Bultman 2, Tied for 3rd Place ribbon.
 - Francisco Anchondo 1
 - Giovanni Bolotaolo 1
 - Bill Brown 1
 - Ray Green 1
 - Johnson 1
 - Kerry Lawless 1
 - McKinney 1
 - Mauricio Melendez 1
 - D. Murray 1
 - Don Nelson 1
 - John Newberry 1
 - Amir Samini 1
 - Ray Schutt 1
 - John Wang 1
 - Enrique Zapata 1
 - Rodolfo Zapata 1
 - Bryan Bolotaolo 0
 - Tim Helms 0
 - Kurt Jacobs 0
 - Sundstion 0
 - K. Wang 0
 - White 0
 - Zhang 0

- **July 24, 1995:** Ray Schutt gave a simultaneous exhibition and scored 19 wins, no draws and no losses!
- **September 25-November 16, 1995:** Ismael Martinez won the HCC Championship and received a 1st Place Trophy. John Newberry, Rahim Gran, and Frisco Del Rosario, all received 2nd Place Ribbons. Ray Schutt produced the tournament bulletins and Kerry Lawless directed the tournament.

1995 HAYWARD CC CHAMPIONSHIP												
#	Player	Rating	Round 1		Round 2		Round 3		Round 4		Round 5	
			Pair	Score	Pair	Score	Pair	Score	Pair	Score	Pair	Score
1	Martinez, Ismael	2219	W11	1	B3	1	W8	2	B4	3	W6	4
2	Newberry, John	2158	Bye	0	W9	1	B11	1.5	B10	2.5	W3	3.5
3	Gran, Rahim	2018	B15	1	W1	2	B4	2.5	W5	3.5	B2	3.5
4	Del Rosario, Frisco	2000	B14	1	W13	2	W3	2.5	W1	2.5	B7	3.5
5	Jackson, Greg	1454	Bye	0	B16	1		2 (F)	B3	2	W10	3
6	Carr, Roger	Unrated	Bye	0	B12	0.5		1.5 (F)		2.5 (F)	B1	2.5
7	Anchondo, Francisco	2057	W12	1	B8	1		1 (F)	B14	2	B4	2
8	Arjmand, Enayatullah	1782	Bye	0	W7	1	B1	1	Bye	1	W12	2
9	Yusufi, Abdul	1343	Bye	0	W2	0	W15	1	B12	1	W14	2
10	Mendenhall, Harold	930	B13	0	W14	1		2 (F)	W2	2	B5	2
11	Amparo, Gilbert	1782	B1	0	W15	1	W2	1.5		1.5 (F)		1.5 (F)
12	Lewis, Ed	1547	B7	0	W6	0.5	B14	0.5	W9	1.5	B8	1.5
13	Brock, R.	1870	W10	1	B4	1		1 (F)	W/D	1	W/D	1
14	Melendez, Mauricio	1490	W4	0	B10	0	W12	1	W7	1	B9	1
15	Green, Ray	1297	W3	0	B11	0	B9	0	W/D	0	W/D	0
16	Savoy, Frank	Unrated	Bye	0	W5	0		0 (F)		0 (F)		0 (F)

- **Fall 1996:** Francisco Anchondo (2072), Ismael Martinez (2219) tied for the 1996 HCC Championship. Harold Mendenhall directed the 5-round tournament which started November 18 and finished December 16. Ray Schutt produced the tournament bulletins.

A number of the HCC regulars had been going to the Lyon's Restaurant on Mission Street, just two blocks from the Hayward Main Public Library, after the club let out. When the restaurant closed, we moved our late night chess to the Lyon's Restaurant opposite Chabot College because of the Chabot College CC crowd convened there as well.

By the end of 1996, I moved the club from the Hayward Public Library to the Lyon's Restaurant on 25550 Hesperian Boulevard opposite Chabot College because the library's 8:45pm curfew was too limiting. We met informally with Richard Shorman from about 8pm to midnight, every Monday.

When Lyon's Restaurant closed around 2002, we moved to Nation's Giant Hamburger Diner (24999 Santa Clara St, Hayward, CA 94544). This was an unstructured meetup and had no director. It met Mondays from 9pm to 1am. Because the informal club had no organizer, several of the players transgressed on the hospitality of the Diner, and all the players were asked to leave.

In 2004, we moved to Harry's Hofbrau (14900 East 14th St., San Leandro, CA 94578); where we again met informally with Richard Shorman. The organizer was Chris Mavraedis. Membership was by invitation only. Members included:

- Chris Mavraedis
- Richard Shorman
- Robert Martinez
- Walter Wood
- Ray Schutt
- Kerry Lawless
- Mark Shelton

Highlights of the club included; sparkling games shown by Richard Shorman and masterly analysis by Ray Schutt. After Ray passed away in January, 2007, the club lost its energy and was suspended shortly after.

Born and raised in Hayward, Ray was the strongest player Hayward ever produced and was also the strongest member in the history of the HCC. Ray and I first met in 1981 when I started directing at the El Continental Café. From the first, I was impressed by his diffidence, intelligence, and his breadth of knowledge about any subject under discussion...he was a prolific reader and seemed to have a photographic memory. We became good friends very quickly. I had a penchant for searching out new chess cafés in Alameda, Berkeley or wherever and if I suggested going to one, he was always happy to come along. Frequently, when the rumor I was on the trail of, proved to be unfounded, he would suggest we stop at some non-chess restaurant and play chess instead. I was pretty good at speed chess in those days, but could only manage two out of five games against him, on the average. He was very strong in the endgame. I remember when he worked for a software company in San Jose and used the train to get to work every day, he would play through the ECO Rook Endgame books...he devoured both books in about 6 months. He was a positional player who knew an immense amount of theory. We played hundreds of King's Indian Defenses (I was always on the black side); I learned a lot. In the early 1990's, I gave him a computer so he could use ChessBase, in return, he bought and lent me a very expensive (at the time) HP 3C color scanner so I could digitize Richard Shorman's chess columns. He let me use it for several years. In the mid-1990's

when I had a flood, due to a broken pipe, in my Hayward mobile home, he let me store 100 boxes of books in his basement for over six months. I'll never forget that, or him.

The top HCC players by their highest established ratings over 2100 were:

1. Raymond Schutt 2359 (May 1987)
 2. Martin Sullivan 2331 (November 1984)
 3. Tom Dorsch 2295 (November 1983)
 4. Kerry Lawless 2288 (September 1987)
 5. Kenny Fong 2244 (April 1983)
 6. Alan Kobernat 2242 (November 1987)
 7. Steve Joplin 2236 (March 1989)
 8. Rodolfo Zapata 2230 (October 1995)
 9. Ismael Martinez 2219 (October 1995)
 10. John Newberry 2169 (June 1996)
 11. Frisco Del Rosario 2144 (June 1993)
 12. Rahim Gran 2144 (June 1993)
 13. Mike Padovani 2123 (December 1982)
 14. Romeo Samo 2120 (January 1990)
- **January 2, 2007:** Former HCC President and Director, Raymond Ausmus, passed away.
 - **Spring 2010:** The Hayward Chess Group ladder:
 - Bradley Yuen
 - Loren Taylor
 - David Villalobos
 - 'Chuck' Johnson
 - Nat Kleinstein
 - Larry Yale
 - 'Skip' Mellon
 - Yos Vanderwilk
 - Lonn Hendren
 - Mario Suarez
 - **December 2011:** Former HCC Director, Mike Sweeney (1891), passed away. Whenever the HCC held a rated tournament, Mike ran it like clockwork and sent the rating results to the USCF in a timely manner. In 1990, he agreed to enter Richard Shorman's chess columns into ChessBase format. So Robert Kichinski, Robert Martinez, Chris Mavraedis, Ray Schutt, Walter Wood, and I all chipped in to buy him a new computer. He entered a number of columns before Lupe Lopez took over. Mike was a good friend and we hung out together a lot. I still miss him.

- **May 2012:** The Hayward Chess Group is still meeting at Hayward Area Senior Center at 22325 North Third Street on Mondays and Fridays between 12:30 and 4:00pm. The dues are \$.50 a day or \$4.00 a month. Some of the old HCC members still attend.