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While we're keeping the same name and look, the PEI Chess Gazette has effectively morphed into a magazine featuring the adventures and misadventures of players in the Maritime Chess Club (and UPEI Junior Chess Club) and will remain this way until we're back to some semblance of normality with OTB chess.

Web page for the MCC & Junior Club:
<http://mcc.devastation.ca/mcc.html>

Chess Clubs

Maritime (Online) Chess Club

The **Maritime Chess Club** has reduced its weekly schedule from four sessions to three over the summer. As well presently all events are being held at LiChess.org, but I expect we'll have some back at Chess.com after Labour Day.

Tournament winners from June 1 to July 25 are: Jerjis Kapra (NS) – 11, Daley Merrigan (NL) – 4, NM Christopher Pace (ON), NM Alvah Mayo (NS), Jose Gonzalez-Cueto (NS) – 2, Randy Maillet (NB), Madoc Sullivan (NS), Kiro Veljanovski (NB) – 1.

UPEI (Online) Junior Chess Club

The **UPEI Junior Chess Club** is still playing 5 times a week and made a successful switch from ChessKid.com to LiChess.org during this period.

Tournament winners from June 1 to July 25 are: Magnus Justason (NB) – 15, Tiernan Dewar (PE) – 12, Andreas Doemer (NB) – 6, Beowolf Babineau-Mardres (PE) – 3, Leon Liang (ON), Eli Bell (NB) – 2, Shreyas Balakrishnan (NS), Ismail Zahra (NB), Max Justason (NB) – 1.

An updated Calendar of Events is posted every Sunday evening at
http://mcc.devastation.ca/maritime_ol.html

A complete list of MCC Rapid and Blitz Ratings are kept at
http://mcc.devastation.ca/mcc_ol_ratings.html

MCC Online CFC Tournaments' Results

CFC Rapid #4

June 7

1st – Jerjis Kapra (NS)

2nd – Samuel Hearn-Boily (NS)

Top Under 1600 – Craig Carson (NB)

Most Improved – Mehrnaz Zargham (PE)



Jerjis Kapra

Sam Heran-Boily – Jerjis Kapra (Round 3) 0-1

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. Bc4 Nf6 4. d3 Nc6 5. c3 e6 6. O-O Be7 7. Re1 O-O 8. Bb3 h6
9. d4 cxd4 10. cxd4 d5 11. e5 Nd7 12. a3 Re8 13. Qd3 Nf8 14. Nbd2 Bd7 15. Nf1
Qb6 16. Bc2 Rac8 17. Rb1 Na5 18. Be3 Bb5 19. Qd1 Rc7 20. Bd3 Rec8 21. Bxb5 Qxb5
22. Bd2 Nb3 23. Bb4 Na5 24. Bxa5 Qxa5 25. Qb3 Nd7 26. Ne3 Nb6 27. h3 Kf8 28. Re2
Nc4 29. Nxc4 dxc4 30. Qc3 Qxc3 31. bxc3 b6 32. a4 Ke8 33. Ra2 Rb8 34. Nd2 Kd7
35. a5 b5 36. Rab2 a6 37. Kf1 Rbc8 38. Ne4 f5 39. exf6 gxf6 40. Ke2 f5 41. Nd2
Bg5 42. Nf3 Bf6 43. Kd2 Kd6 44. Re1 Rg7 45. g3 Bd8 46. Ra2 Bf6 47. Kd1 h5 48.
Rae2 Re8 49. Kc1 Bg5+ 50. Nxc4 Rxc4 51. Re5 Rg6 52. Rg1 h4 53. g4 fxg4 54. hxg4
Rf8 55. Re2 Rf4 56. Rh1 Rg4 57. Kd2 Rg2 58. Ke3 e5 59. Rd2 Rgg4 60. dxe5+ Kxe5
61. f3 Rg3 62. Rf2 h3 63. Rhh2 Kf5 64. Ke2 Ke5 65. Rf1 Rh4 66. Kf2 Kf4 67. Re1
Rxf3+ 68. Ke2 Re3+ 69. Kd2 Rxe1 70. Kxe1 Ke3 71. Re2+ Kd3 72. Re6 h2 73. Rxa6
h1=Q+ 74. Kf2 Rf4+ 75. Kg3 Qf3
0-1

CFC Rapid #5

June 28

=1st – Jerjis Kapra (NS) & Varun Sudarshan (ON)

Top Under 1600 – Wael Al-Gashm (NS)

Most Improved – Greg Baggs (NL)

Samuel Heran-Boily – Jerjis Kapra (Round 5) 0-1

[Annotator "lichess.org"] 1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. Bb5 g6 { B31 Sicilian Defense: Nyezhmetdinov-Rossolimo Attack, Fianchetto Variation } 4. O-O Bg7 5. c3 d5 6. exd5?! { (0.50 → -0.32) Inaccuracy. e5 was best. } (6. e5 Bd7 7. Bxc6 Bxc6 8. d4 cxd4 9. cxd4 e6 10. Nc3 Ne7) 6... Qxd5 7. d4 Bg4?! { (0.26 → 1.24) Inaccuracy. cxd4 was best. } (7... cxd4 8. Nxd4 Bd7 9. Qb3 Qxb3 10. Nxb3 Rd8 11. Na3

Nf6 12. Rd1) 8. dxc5? { (1.24 → 0.13) Mistake. c4 was best. } (8. c4 Qf5) 8... Qxc5 9. Bxc6+ Qxc6 10. Nbd2 Rd8 11. h3 Bf5 12. Re1 e6?! { (0.34 → 0.87) Inaccuracy. Qa6 was best. } (12... Qa6 13. a4) 13. Qe2 Bd3 14. Qe3 Qb6 15. Qxb6 axb6 16. Nb3 Ne7 17. Be3 Nd5 18. Bd4 O-O 19. Bxg7 Kxg7 20. Nbd4 Rfe8 21. Rad1?! { (0.70 → 0.13) Inaccuracy. a4 was best. } (21. a4) 21... Ba6 22. Rd2 Kf6 23. Kh2 h6 24. g4?! { (0.72 → 0.00) Inaccuracy. a4 was best. } (24. a4) 24... Ke7?! { (0.00 → 1.01) Inaccuracy. Nf4 was best. } (24... Nf4 25. Kg3 e5 26. Rxe5 Rxe5 27. Nxe5 Ne2+ 28. Kg2 Nf4+) 25. Ne5 Rc8 26. Kg3 g5 27. Nb3? { (1.45 → 0.00) Mistake. c4 was best. } (27. c4 Nf4 28. b3 Red8 29. Nf5+ Kf8 30. Nd7+ Rxd7 31. Rxd7 exf5 32. Ree7 Rd8 33. Rxf7+ Kg8) 27... f6 28. Nf3 Nf4 29. Red1 Red8 30. Rxd8 Rxd8 31. Rxd8 Kxd8 32. Nbd4 Ke7?! { (-0.87 → -0.20) Inaccuracy. e5 was best. } (32... e5 33. Nf5) 33. b4?? { (-0.20 → -1.78) Blunder. Nd2 was best. } (33. Nd2 Bd3 34. h4 b5 35. hxg5 fxg5 36. N4f3 Kd6 37. Nd4 Kc5 38. N4f3 Ne2+ 39. Kg2 Kd6) 33... Bf1? { (-1.78 → -0.59) Mistake. Bd3 was best. } (33... Bd3 34. Ne1) 34. h4? { (-0.59 → -1.76) Mistake. Nd2 was best. } (34. Nd2) 34... Be2? { (-1.76 → -0.38) Mistake. Nd5 was best. } (34... Nd5 35. Nd2 Bd3 36. hxg5 hxg5 37. c4 Nxb4 38. a3 Nc6 39. Nxc6+ bxc6 40. f4 gxf4+ 41. Kxf4) 35. hxg5 hxg5 36. Nd2 Bd3 37. Kf3? { (-0.43 → -1.51) Mistake. c4 was best. } (37. c4 Bh7 38. a3 Nd3 39. Nb5 Ne5 40. Nc3 Bd3 41. c5 bxc5 42. bxc5 Bg6 43. Nce4 Nc4) 37... Bg6? { (-1.51 → 0.00) Mistake. Nd5 was best. } (37... Nd5 38. a3) 38. Nc4?! { (0.00 → -0.55) Inaccuracy. a3 was best. } (38. a3 Be8 39. c4 Nd3 40. Ke3 Ne5 41. f3 Bg6 42. N4b3 f5 43. gxf5 exf5 44. f4 gxf4+) 38... Nd5 39. a3 Kd7 40. a4 e5 41. Nb5 Bd3 42. Ncd6 e4+?! { (-0.79 → 0.00) Inaccuracy. Bc2 was best. } (42... Bc2 43. c4) 43. Kg3?? { (0.00 → -3.09) Blunder. Nxe4 was best. } (43. Nxe4 Ke6 44. Nbd6 Nxc3 45. Nxc3 Kxd6 46. Ke3 Bc4 47. Ke4 Be6 48. f3 Bb3 49. Kd4 Ke6) 43... Nxc3 44. Nxc3 Kxd6 45. f3?? { (-2.34 → -7.09) Blunder. f4 was best. } (45. f4 exf3 46. Kxf3 Ke5 47. Ke3 Bc4 48. Ne4 Be6 49. Nf2 f5 50. a5 f4+ 51. Kd3 b5) 45... Ke5?! { (-7.09 → -4.38) Inaccuracy. e3 was best. } (45... e3) 46. fxe4 Bxe4 47. Nb5?! { (-3.79 → -5.42) Inaccuracy. a5 was best. } (47. a5 bxa5) 47... Bc6 48. Nc3?! { (-4.99 → -6.86) Inaccuracy. Nc7 was best. } (48. Nc7 Bxa4) 48... Kd4 49. Ne2+ Kd3 50. Ng1?! { (-5.92 → -10.45) Inaccuracy. Kf2 was best. } (50. Kf2 Bd7) 50... Bxa4 51. Nf3 Bc6 52. Ne1+ Kd2 53. Kf2 Kc3 54. Ke3 Kxb4 55. Kd4 b5 56. Nd3+ Ka3 57. Kc5 Be4 58. Nf2 Bc6 59. Nd3 Kb3 60. Kd4 Bf3 61. Nc5+ Ka3 62. Kc3 b4+ 63. Kc2 b3+ 64. Kb1? { (-7.09 → Mate in 12) Checkmate is now unavoidable. Nxb3 was best. } (64. Nxb3 Bxg4) 64... Bxg4 65. Nxb7 Bf5+ { White resigns. } 0-1

Varun Sudarshan – Samuel Heran-Boily (Round 4) 1-0

e4 e6 2. g3 { C00 French Defense: Réti-Spielmann Attack } b6 3. Bg2 Bb7 4. d4 Nf6 5. Nd2 c5 6. c3 cxd4 7. cxd4 Bb4 8. Qc2 Nc6 9. Ne2 Rc8 10. Qd3 d6 11. a3 Bxd2+ 12. Bxd2 O-O 13. O-O e5 14. f4 Re8 15. fxe5 dxe5 16. d5 h6 17. Qf3 Ne7 18. Bxh6 Nexd5 19. exd5 Bxd5 20. Qf5 Bxg2 21. Bxg7 Bxf1 22. Bxf6 Qxf6 23. Qxf6 Bxe2 24. Qg5+ Kf8 25. Qh6+ Kg8 26. Re1 Bd3 27. Qg5+ Kf8 28. h4 e4 29. h5 Rc6 30. h6 Rg6 31. Qh4 Kg8 32. Qf4 Rf8 33. Kf2 Kh7 34. Rh1 b5 35. g4 { White wins on time. } 1-0

I feel like I'm picking on poor Samuel, but I'm happy to report he was able to win the Juniors to Masters Sunshine Open on July 26. Here is one of his games

Samuel Heran-Boily – Neale Monkhouse (Round 4) 1-0

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. Bb5 g6 { B31 Sicilian Defense: Nyezhmetdinov-Rossolimo Attack, Fianchetto Variation } 4. c3 Bg7 5. d4 cxd4 6. cxd4 Nf6 7. Nc3 O-O 8. O-O d6 9. h3 a6 10. Bxc6 bxc6 11. Bf4 Bb7 12. Qd2 Qa5 13. Bh6 Rac8 14. Bxg7 Kxg7 15. e5 dxe5 16. dxe5 Nd5 17. Rac1 Nxc3 18. Qxc3 Qxc3 19. Rxc3 Rfd8 20. Rfc1 Rd5 21. Kf1 a5 22. Rc5 Rcd8 23. Ke1 Rxc5 24. Rxc5 Rd5 25. Rxd5 cxd5 26. Nd4 e6 27. Nb3 a4 28. Nc5 Bc6 29. Kd2 Kf8 30. Kc3 Ke8 31. Kb4 Kd8 32. Nxa4 Kc7 33. Nc5 Kb6 34. a4 h6 35. a5+ Ka7 36. Nb3 Ka6 37. g3 Be8 38. Nc5+ Ka7 39. Kc3 Bb5 40. b4 Kb8 41. Kd4 Ka7 42. Nb3 Bc4 43. Nd2 Bb5 44. Kc5 Ka6 45. Nb3 Bf1 46. h4 h5 47. Nd4 Bd3 48. Kd6 g5 49. hxg5 Bg6 50. Ke7 h4 51. gxh4 Bh5 52. Kf6 Bg6 53. Kg7 Bh5 54. Kh6 { White wins. } 1-0

CFC Rapid #6

July 18

1st – FM Eugene Hua (ON)

=2nd – Peter Turner (NB) & NM Christopher Pace (ON)

Top Under 1600 – Calix Marchand (NS)

Most Improved – David Nason (NB)

Michelle Hua – FM Eugene Hua (Round 3) 0-1



Eugene Hua

[Annotator "lichess.org"] 1. c4 e6 { A13 English Opening: Agincourt Defense } 2. g3 Nf6 3. Bg2 d5 4. Nf3 c5 5. cxd5 exd5 6. d4 Nc6 7. dxc5?! { (0.70 → 0.00) Inaccuracy. O-O was best. } (7. O-O Be7 8. dxc5 Bxc5 9. a3 Ne4 10. Nfd2 Nf6 11. Nb3 Bb6) 7... Bxc5 8. O-O O-O 9. Nc3 d4 10. Na4 Be7 11. b3 Bf5?! { (-0.18 → 0.48) Inaccuracy. b5 was best. } (11... b5 12. Nb2) 12. Nh4?! { (0.48 → -0.40) Inaccuracy. Bb2 was best. } (12. Bb2 b5) 12... Be4 13. Bxe4?! { (-0.60 → -1.23) Inaccuracy. f3 was best. } (13. f3 Bd5 14. Nf5 Rc8 15. e4 dxe3 16. Bxe3 Ba3 17. Bc1 Bb4 18. a3 Be6 19. Qxd8 Rfxd8) 13... Nxe4 14. Nf3?! { (-1.27 → -1.86) Inaccuracy. Qd3 was best. } (14. Qd3 Bxh4 15. Qxe4 Bf6 16. Bb2 Re8 17. Qf3 Rc8 18. Rac1 Qe7 19. e3 Bg5 20. h4 Bh6) 14... Bf6 15. Qd3?! { (-1.51 → -2.11) Inaccuracy. Bb2 was best. } (15. Bb2 Qa5) 15... Re8 16. Ba3 Nc3 17. Rfe1 Nxa4?? { (-2.34 → -0.25) Blunder. Qa5 was best. } (17... Qa5 18. Rac1) 18. bxa4 Qd5 19. Rab1 b6 20. Rec1 Rac8 21. Rc2 Na5 22. Rb5?! { (0.13 → -0.74) Inaccuracy. Rbc1 was best. } (22. Rbc1 Rxc2) 22... Qd7?! { (-0.74 → -0.01) Inaccuracy. Qe6 was best. } (22... Qe6 23. Rxc8) 23. Bb2 Rxc2 24. Qxc2 Nb7?! { (-0.64 → 0.00) Inaccuracy. Nc6 was best. } (24... Nc6 25. Qc4) 25. Rb4 Qe7?! { (0.00 → 0.93) Inaccuracy. Qd6 was best. } (25... Qd6 26. Qc4 Rxe2 27. Qxe2 Qxb4 28. Bxd4 Qe7 29. Qa6 Qe4 30. Bxf6 Qxf3 31. Bb2 Qd1+ 32. Kg2) 26. Rc4 Nd6 27. Rc7? { (1.11 → 0.00) Mistake. Ba3 was best. } (27. Ba3) 27... Qxe2 28. Nxd4? { (0.00 → -1.33) Mistake. Qxe2 was best. } (28. Qxe2 Rxe2 29. Bxd4 h5 30. Bxf6 gxf6 31. Rxa7 Rxa2 32. Ra6 Ne4 33. Rxb6 Ra1+ 34. Kg2 Ra2) 28... Qxc2? { (-1.33 → -0.02) Mistake. Qh5 was best. } (28... Qh5 29. Qc1 Qd5 30. Nc2 Bxb2 31. Qxb2 Re2 32. Qc1 h6 33. Qf1 Qd2 34. Rd7 Qxc2 35. Rxd6) 29. Rxc2 Rc8 30. Nc6 Kf8 31. Bxf6 gxf6 32. Nd4?! { (0.00 → -0.60) Inaccuracy. f3 was best. } (32. f3 Nb7 33. Kf2 Nc5 34. Nd4 Nd3+ 35. Ke3 Rxc2 36. Nxc2 Nc5 37. Nb4 Nxa4 38. Nd5 Kg7) 32... Rxc2 33. Nxc2 Nb7 34. Nb4 Nc5 35. Nc6? { (-0.33 → -1.62) Mistake. a5 was best. } (35. a5 bxa5) 35... a5 36. Kf1 Nxa4 37. Nd4? { (-1.53 → -3.38) Mistake. Ke2 was best. } (37. Ke2 Nc3+ 38. Kd3 Nxa2 39. Kc4 Ke8 40. Kb5 Nc3+ 41. Kxb6 a4 42. Nd4 a3 43. Ka5 a2) 37... Nc3 38. a3 Ke7 39. Ke1 Kd6 40. Nc2 Kc5 41. Kd2 Kc4 42. f4?! { (-4.03 → -5.57) Inaccuracy. Ne3+ was best. } (42. Ne3+ Kb3) 42... Kb3 43. Nd4+ Kb2 44. g4?! { (-5.00 → -8.88) Inaccuracy. Kd3 was best. } (44. Kd3 b5) 44... Nb1+ 45. Kd3 Nxa3 46. Nc6 a4 47. Ke4 Nc2 48. Kf5 a3 49. Kxf6 a2 50. Kxf7 a1=Q 51. Kg7 Qa4 52. f5?! { (-62.67 → Mate in 16) Checkmate is now unavoidable. Ne5 was best. } (52. Ne5 Kc3 53. Nf7 Qxf4 54. Nh6 Qxh2 55. Kxh7 Qh4 56. Kg6 Nd4 57. g5 Ne6 58. Kf6 Qxg5+) 52... Qxc6 53. f6 Nd4 54. f7 Qg6+ 55. Kh8 Ne6 56. f8=Q Nxf8 57. h4 Ne6 { White resigns. } 0-1

Our next CFC Tournament is Sun, Aug 9

MCC Team Results

The Chess.com Team League finished on July 18. We were able to score 3-3 in our remaining matches to finish 3-5 overall. Considering that everyone in the Club had an equal chance to play, I think that is fantastic. Next time we have an event like this maybe we'll hold one or two qualifying tournaments, with spots open to different rating levels.

Round 3 – **MCC** 19-11 Zukertort Club

Round 4 – **MCC** 16-10 Waco Club

Round 5 – Toronto Kaiqi Club 21.5-6.5 **MCC**

Round 6 – Rocky Top Club 14.5-9.5 **MCC**

Round 7 – **MCC** 14.5-11.5 Fox Valley Club

Round 8 – La Zubia Club 14-8 **MCC**

Some games

The Daethus (Fox Valley Club) – Daley Merrigan 0-1

Nc3 d5 2. e4 e6 3. d4 Nf6 4. Bg5 Be7 5. e5 Nfd7 6. Be3 c5 7. Nf3 Nc6 8. Bb5 cxd4 9. Bxd4 O-O 10. O-O f6 11. Re1 Ndx5 12. Nxe5 Nxe5 13. Bxe5 fxe5 14. Rxe5 Bf6 15. Rh5 Qb6 16. Bd3 Qxb2 17. Bxh7+ Kf7 18. Rb1 Qxc3 19. Rb3 Qa1 20. Rb1 Qxa2 21. Rh3 b6 22. c4 Qxc4 23. Rc1 Qf4 24. Rf3 Qd6 25. Qc2 Bd7 26. Qg6+ Ke7 27. Rxf6 gxf6 28. h4 Rac8 29. Ra1 Qe5 30. Qb1 Rc7 31. Qb4+ Qd6 32. Qg4 e5 33. Qf3 e4 34. Qb3 Qe5 35. Qa3+ Kf7 36. h5 Rfc8 37. Bg6+ Kg7 38. f4 Qxa1+ 39. Qxa1 Rc1+ 40. Qxc1 Rxc1+ 41. Kh2 Rc3 42. f5 b5 43. g3 b4 44. Kh3 b3 45. Kh4 b2 46. g4 b1=Q 47. Be8 Qe1# 0-1

Felileo (Toronto Kaiqi Club) – Tony Li 0-1

1. d4 e6 2. c4 d5 3. Nc3 c5 4. Nf3 Nf6 5. cxd5 exd5 6. dxc5 Bxc5 7. Bg5 Be6 8. e3 O-O 9. Be2 Be7 10. O-O h6 11. Bh4 Nbd7 12. Rc1 Rc8 13. Nd4 Qa5 14. Nxe6 fxe6 15. Bg4 Qa6 16. Bh3 Bb4 17. Ne2 Rxc1 18. Nxc1 Kf7 19. Nd3 Bd6 20. Nf4 Bxf4 21. exf4 Qxa2 22. Re1 Re8 23. Qe2 d4 24. Bxf6 Nxf6 25. Qe5 Qd5 26. Rc1 Qxe5 27. fxe5 Nd5 28. Rd1 Rc8 29. g3 Rc4 30. Bg2 Rb4 31. Rd2 Nb6 32. Bxb7 Na4 33. Bf3 Nxb2 34. Kf1 a5 35. Bd1 a4 36. Bc2 a3 37. Bb1 Nc4 38. Rd1 Rxb1 39. Rxb1 Nd2+ 40. Ke2 Nxb1 41. Kd3 a2 0-1

MCC Rapid Rating Top 10 (minimum of 10 games)

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1. NM Christopher Pace (ON) 2259
2. NM Adam Dorrance (NS) 2229
3. Daley Merrigan (NL) 2196
4. Robert Didiodato (NB) 2168
5. Bill Bogle (NB) 2155
6. Tony Wu (QC) 2124
7. Derek Vihvelin (ON) 2022
8. Anni Guo (ON) 2018
9. Jerjis Kapra (NS) 2004
10. Jose Gonzalez-Cueto (NS) 2002

Upcoming Online Events

Maritime CC CFC Online #7
Sun, Aug 9 @ 10am ADT
LiChess.org

<http://mcc.devastation.ca/mccqck720.html>

Maritime CC CFC Online #8
TBA (Labour Day weekend)
LiChess.org or Chess.com (TBA)

<http://mcc.devastation.ca/mccqck820.html> (When ready)

Other CFC tournaments can be found at the front page of the new CFC WEB Site
<https://www.chess.ca/>

Upcoming OTB Events

Maritime Chess Festival, Oct 9-12, Summerside, PE
<http://mcc.devastation.ca/mcf20.html>

PEI Open, Oct 10-11
<http://mcc.devastation.ca/peiop20.html>

Maritime Blitz Championship, Fri, Oct 9
<http://mcc.devastation.ca/marblob20.html>

Maritime Senior Championship, Mon, Oct 12
<http://mcc.devastation.ca/marsrop20.html>

Maritime Amateur Championship, Mon, Oct 12
<http://mcc.devastation.ca/marsrop20.html>

Maritime Junior Championship, Mon, Oct 12
<http://mcc.devastation.ca/marsrop20.html>