

# THE NC GAMBIT

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## GM's Julio Becerra and Kamil Miton share Land of the Sky

Both Grandmasters score 4.5/5 to take the title.

## Nelson Lopez captures the 2005 Scholastic Title

K-8: Jacob Parrish, Carter Bengel

K-5: Joshua Mu

K-3: Nikolas Stylianou

## The Andrew I Knew

Don Schultz remembers one of the United States' greatest Grandmasters.

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# LAND OF THE SKY XVIII

The 2005 edition of the annual Land of the Sky tournament was once again hotly contested with several titled players vying for the title. In the end, two players separated themselves from the pack by a full point. GM Julio Becerra (2591) and GM Kamil Miton (2629) each scored four and a half points to share the Land of the Sky XVIII title.

This year's competition managed, once again, to have one of strongest turnouts for a North Carolina tournament despite the falling snow which blanketed the area on Friday. Almost 200 players came to Asheville for an exciting weekend of chess.

Despite never meeting over the board, the top finishers, Grandmasters Becerra and Miton both managed to escape the logjam for second place. The 3.5 mark was reached by seven players- five of whom hold international titles: GM Alexander Goldin, GM Alexander Ivanov, GM Aleks Wojtkiewicz, GM Renier Gonzales, IM Carlomagno Oblitas, Miles Ardaman (2368), and Kazim Gulamali (2195). GM Gonzales fought co-champion GM Kamil Miton to a draw in the third round, while GM Ivanov drew the other first place finisher, GM Becerra.

In the under 2000 section, Robert Spurrier (1977) finished the tournament without a blemish on his score, recording a perfect 5.0. Following closely on his heels were James MacDougall (1849), South Carolina Chess Association president, and Todd Bryant (1828). Both players scored 4.5/5, yielding only one draw throughout the tournament.

Another clear winner was produced in the under 1600 section as Leonard Holloway (1486) finished with five points. Behind him were Joseph Quinlan (1532) and Ben Blach (1334) who each had 4.5 points.

In the under 1200 section, unrated Alejo Solaro demolished the rest of the field to score 5.0/5. He was followed by Kevin Hyde, Patrick McGann, and Joseph Alexander, each with 3.5 points.

## **Open:**

**1<sup>st</sup>:** GM Kamil Miton, GM Julio Becerra 4.5/5

**2<sup>nd</sup>:** GM Alex Goldin, GM Alex Ivanov, GM Aleks Wojtkiewicz, GM Renier Gonzales, IM Carlomagno Oblitas, Miles Ardaman, Kazim Gulamali 3.5/5

## **U2000:**

**1<sup>st</sup>:** Robert Spurrier 5/5

**2<sup>nd</sup>:** James MacDougall, Todd Bryant 4.5/5

## **U1600**

**1<sup>st</sup>:** Leonard Holloway 5/5

**2<sup>nd</sup>:** Joseph Quinlan, Ben Blach 4.5/5

## **U1200:**

**1<sup>st</sup>:** Alejo Solaro 5/5

**2<sup>nd</sup>:** Kevin Hyde, Patrick McGann, Joseph Alexander 3.5/5

## 2005 Land of the Sky Blitz

by TD Ken Baxter

The 2005 edition of the LOTS Speed tournament was filled with quality players. The total number of players disappointed me, but the "star" quality was outstanding. We had seven masters included in our total group of 22. The pre-tournament favorite was 2591 GM Julio Becerra. However, there were strong "speed demons" right behind him with 2543 IM Renier Gonzalez (Julio's friend) and 2442 FM Stephen Muhammed expecting to compete for the top money. Plus, 2368 FM Miles Ardaman, who plays a lot in NC, was expected to make some noise in this event.

The event was played as an Open. That format allows lower rated players a chance to meet and play against the top masters. For example, in the first round, 1741 Paul Calloway played GM Julio Becerra. Paul would normally have to pay \$25 to meet Julio in a simul. But at the LOTS Speed Championship, Paul played Julio twice for the small entry fee of \$10.

Everyone played 10 games. Each round the players competed with white and black earning a possible two points per round. The time control was five minutes with no delay. We played touch move and an illegal move cost you the game if you pressed your clock and your opponent makes a correct illegal move claim or takes your king. Next year everyone that does not have a first round game Saturday morning should play in this Speed Tournament. It is a lot of fun and we pay back 100% of the entry fees.

### The final results were:

IM Renier Gonzalez	9 points	First Place
GM Julio Becerra	8.5	Second Place
FM Miles Ardaman	7.5	
Kazim Gulamali	7	
Denton Dykes	7	
Stephen Miller	6.5	First Place under 1800
FM Stephen Muhammed	6	
Klaus Pohl	6	
Larry Tapper	5	
Jeff Kidd	5	
Michael Kliber	5	
Charles Raider	5	Second Place under 1800
John Dusky	4	
Paul Calloway	4	
Matt Horwitz	4	
Robert Osbourne	4	
David Conard	3.5	
Holland Batton	3.5	
Randy White	3.5	
Milas Lebedovych	3	
Bradley Osbourne	3	
Dwight Scotten	0	

# 2005 State Scholastic Championship

Ian Sanders

Scholastic chess in North Carolina is alive and well! More than 500 students from across the state attended the 2005 State Scholastic Championship in Charlotte setting a new record for the tournament. With this many scholastic chess players all vying for titles, there was sure to be some incredible competition.

In the K-12 section, Nelson Lopez (1844) was crowned the 2005 State Scholastic Champion after blitzing through five consecutive opponents without even yielding a draw. His strong score of 5.0 placed him a full point above his competitors. Lopez will be the North Carolina state representative for the Denker competition in Arizona. The Denker is a chess tournament solely for the scholastic winners of each state's chess championship. The North Carolina Chess Association will be funding Nelson's trip to this tournament. For his efforts, Lopez will also be given a \$1,500 college scholarship from the Carolina Chess Foundation.

A point behind the champion, four other players finished in a tie for second place. Amir Hosseini (1471), whose only loss came in the last round to Lopez, was especially notable as he magnificently outperformed his rating. The other players who tied for second were Laura Lee (1662), Frank Mu (1900), and Amelia Wheelless (1642).

The K-12 under 1300 section was dominated by I'john Gatewood (1262) who finished with 5.0 points. Clear second place was taken by Liang Feng (669).

In the K-8 competition, first place was shared by Jacob Parrish (1475) and Carter Bengé (1397) who each had perfect scores of 5.0. Third place was captured by Kevin Diao (1611) scoring 4.5/5.

The seeds held in the K-5 section as Joshua Mu (1505), the highest rated player, scored a convincing 7.0/7 to take first place. Second place was a four way tie between Samuel Xin (1192), Chang Sun (1349), and Hiroki Wakiya (1111), and Jim Fan (1005). All four players garnered 6.0 points in the tournament.

In the K-3, Nikolas Stylianou (818) finished a half-point ahead of the field with 6.5 points to lay claim to first. Close on his heels were Hubert Song (1059), Derek Zhang (933), Alex Li(952), Eric Noden (964), and Ken Chu (1042) with 6.0/7.

## Champions

K-12: Nelson Lopez	5.0
K-12 U-1300: I'john Gatewood	5.0
K-8: Jacob Parrish, Carter Bengé	5.0
K-5: Joshua Mu	7.0
K-3: Nikolas Stylianou	6.5

# The Andrew I Knew

By Don Schultz

The Andrew I knew went by the name of Arnold. His real name was Andrew, but an Uncle kept calling him Arnold and it stuck. Family, the chess world and everyone always called him Arnold and few knew that was not his name.

“Hello Don, this is Arnold” - Over the last quarter century, Arnold would call me at every few days and these were the words I first heard. I’ll never hear them again and, each time my telephone rings, I will think of Arnold.

Yes, I will miss him, but I will also look back with pleasure at the fun time of the past, how fortunate I was to have as my friend: “The Man Chess Loved”

When I think of Arnold, I think of the press rooms of the great world championships of the eighties. Typically you would see, surrounded by journalists, Arnold and a few of his friends such as Tal and Najdorf holding court. There were no computers to help the press, only the candid discussion among these giants of the chess world..

At chess meetings, Arnold had a little trick that few ever realized. It was always pre-planned and always worked though used sparingly for just the right debates. Here is how it worked. During the debate, Arnold would remain quiet. Then suddenly he would jump up, rush to the mike, pay no attention to those waiting to be recognized and bypassed them in line. He would shout in the microphone: “This is a disgrace, I can’t believe you are even thinking of doing this; I’m getting out of here.” He would then turn and head for the door. Always, before he reached the door someone from the opposition would say” “Wait Arnold, don’t leave, we will work this out, how about . . .”

When I think of Arnold, I think of Gabriel Scharzman whom we both met at the chess Olympiad in Thessalonika, Greece in 1988. Gabriel, then 12 years old, came to us and said: “Hello, my name is Gabriel Schwartzman and I am a chessplayer, Would you like to see some of my games.” “Sure,” we said. Well we were so impressed that we arranged for a match between Gabriel and Arnold in Florida. Gabriel and his family later became lifelong friends of ours. Gabriel also became the youngest grandmaster in the world, He went to the U of Florida, studied business administration and has achieved great success

as an American businessman. He and his parents are now enjoying a life in Florida they would never have realized had they stayed in Romania. Both Arnold and I take great satisfaction in having had something to do with that.

Another time, Rhona Petroysan, widow of former world champion Tigran Petroysan asked Arnold if he could help her move to the states. Arnold and I discussed this and decided the easiest way was to find an American chessplayer for Rhona to marry. We decided our friend Donald Stone was the perfect person. "What are you nuts?" were Stone's immediate reply to our request. We were a bit taken back by this since Donald, who was in his late seventies, always responded to a call for help when it involved the game he loved. Nevertheless, we weren't about to be put off so easily. Stone continued: "I'm only a B player. I've been married before and vowed I'd never do it again. I'm too old." We listened to all these attempts by Stone to avoid his responsibility but remained undeterred. Finally our persistence succeeded: "Okay" he said, "Is she pretty?" We gave Rhona and Donald the information they needed in order to get in touch with each other. But, the marriage never took place as Rhona found a way to enter the U.S. through more conventional means.

Arnold's second passion was going to the race track. He and I would sit indoors watching the odds change, suddenly he would jump up and rush away to place his bet. He'd return and say in a loud voice to me: "I bet ten big ones on number five," heads would turn to see who the big bettor was. What they didn't realize was ten big ones meant ten bucks which is what Arnold and I generally would bet on any race.

Upon leaving the track, I'd generally drop Arnold off at his apartment and head home. Arnold would call Teresa to let her know I'm on my way. When Teresa answered, she would immediately say: "Okay Arnold, how much money did you almost win today?" You see Arnold would never lose; he would win or almost win.

Another time as I was about to leave my seat, Arnold said to me: "Don, I was up all night handicapping this race and number six can't lose, take my word for it." Now Arnold was an excellent handicapper, so I left and bet on six. I returned to my seat and looked over at Arnold still studying the race. He turned and said: "Gosh, how did I miss this look at that four horse, I'm betting big bucks on him." Arnold jumped up, left and bet on the four horse. Of course the four horse won and the six horse came in last.

In many ways, Arnold was the most impatient man I ever knew. He would never wait for a red light. Whether in Buenos Aires, New York or Paris, Arnold would rush across the street weaving left and right dodging cars like any football star rushing downfield on a hundred yard run.

Arnold and I didn't always agree. One time we had a serious argument. Finally Arnold got up, left my hotel room and slammed the door. I rushed to the door opened it up and called to Arnold; "Okay, we will do it your way." He turned, smiled and said: "See it always works!"



# CCC Results

## Billy's II

3-19-05

28 Participants

1st IM Carlomagno Oblitas 3-0, =2nd-4th LM Klaus Pohl, Patrick McCartney, Matthew Green 2-1.

Middle: 1st Mike Eberhardinger 3-0, =2nd-5th Jonathan Hudson, Paul Lucas, Josh Lawson, Don Hofer 2-1.

Lower: =1st-2nd Spencer Singleton, Jeff McAdams 2.5-.5.

## Billy's I

2-19-05

16 Participants

1st-2nd NM Daniel Tapia, Patrick McCartney 2.5-.5.

Lower: 1st Erik-Henning Thiede 2.5-.5. =2nd-3rd Don Hofer, Jeff McAdams 2-1.

## Wendy's LXIII

2-16-05

48 Participants

1st NM Frankie Newton 3.5-1.5, =2nd-3rd NM Daniel Tapia, NM Leland Fuerstman 3-2.

"B" 1st Ankit Jivan 3.5-1.5, 2nd Marty Katz 3-2.

"C" 1st Don Hofer 4-1, 2nd Winfred Gatlin 2.5-2.5. Lower: 1st Samuel Xin 4-1, 2nd Joe Shirlen 3-2.

## Caribou I

1-15-05

21 Participants

Top: =1st-3rd NM Daniel Tapia, Chris Mabe, Todd Trower 2.5-.5.

Lower: =1st-2nd Dr. Gil Holmes, Laurin Keller 2.5-.5.

## Wendy's LXII

1-12-05

49 Participants

Top: 1st NM Frankie Newton 4-1, =2nd-3rd Shawn Pealer, Clarke Brosi 3-2.

"B" 1st Marty Katz 5-0,

"C" =1st-2nd Don Hofer, Spencer Singleton 3.5-1.5.

Lower: =1st-2nd Duncan McLaughlin, Ervon Nichols 3-2.

# GAMES

## **Becerra,J GM (2591) – Noble ,M (2240)** **[C14]**

Land of the Sky (2), 01.2005

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e5 Nfd7 6.Be7 Qe7 7.f4 a6 8.Nf3 c5 9.dc5 Nc6 10.Qd2 Qc5 11.Bd3 b5 12.a3 Bb7 13.Qf2 b4 14.Ne2 Qf2 15.Kf2 Ke7 16.Ned4 a5 17.Ke3 f6 18.Nc6 Bc6 19.Kd4 Rab8 20.Rhe1 f5 21.Ke3 Rhc8 22.Nd4 Nc5 23.ab4 Rb4 24.Ra5 Nd3 25.cd3 Rb2 26.Ra7 Bd7 27.g4 fg4 28.f5 ef5 29.e6 Rh2 30.ed7

**1-0**

## **Hathaway,M (2122) – Newton ,F (2282)** **[B29]**

Land of the Sky (2), 01.2005

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nc3 Nc6 4.d4 d5 5.ed5 Nd5 6.dc5 Nc3 7.Qd8 Nd8 8.bc3 f6 9.Nd4 e5 10.Nb5 Kd7 11.Ba3 Kc6 12.Nd6 Bd6 13.cd6 Nf7 14.0-0-0 Be6 15.c4 Rad8 16.c5 b6 17.cb6 ab6 18.Kb2 Nd6 19.Bd6 Rd6 20.Bb5 Kc5 21.Rd6 Kd6 22.Rd1 Kc5 23.a4

**½-½**

## **Scott ,M (1689) – Smith ,W (1792)** **[C44]**

Land of the Sky, 01.2005

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 ed4 4.Bc4 h6 5.0-0 Bc5 6.c3 dc3 7.Nc3 Nge7 8.Bf4 0-0 9.Qd2 Kh7 10.Nd5 Nd5 11.ed5 Ne7 12.d6 cd6 13.Bd6 Bd6 14.Qd6 f5 15.Ne5 Rf6 16.Qd3 d5 17.Bb3 Kh8 18.Rad1 Be6 19.Rfe1 Qc7 20.Qg3 f4 21.Qd3 Rd8 22.Qd4 Nc6 23.Nc6 bc6 24.Rc1 Qd7 25.Ba4 Bf7 26.Qc5 f3 27.Qe7 Qg4

**0-1**

**Waymouth,T (1978) – Corbett,C (1868)**  
**[C32]**

Land of the Sky (3), 01.2005

1.e4 e5 2.f4 d5 3.ed5 e4 4.d3 Nf6 5.de4 Ne4 6.Be3 Qe7 7.Qd4 Qh4 8.g3 Ng3 9.Qe5 Be7 10.Bf2 Nd7 11.Qc7 Qf6 12.hg3 Qb2 13.Bd3 Qa1 14.c3 Qa2 15.c4 h6 16.Nf3 Qb3 17.Be4 Qb4 18.Nbd2 Bd6 19.Bc5 Nc5 20.Qd6 Nd3 21.Bd3 Qd6 22.Ne4 Qb4

**0-1**

**Kidd,J (2152) – Bereolos,P (2346)**  
**[C92]**

Land of the Sky (4), 01.2005

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 d6 8.c3 0-0 9.h3 Bb7 10.d3 Nb8 11.Nbd2 Nbd7 12.Nf1 Re8 13.Ng3 h6 14.Nf5 Bf8 15.N3h4 Nc5 16.Re3 Nb3 17.Qb3 d5 18.Rg3 Kh7 19.f4 ef4 20.Bf4 Nh5 21.Rg4 Nf4 22.Rf4 g5 23.Rf2 gh4 24.Raf1 Qg5 25.Rf4 Rad8 26.Rg4 Qd2 27.Nh4 Rd7 28.a4 Qd3 29.ab5 Bc5 30.Kh2 Qf1 31.ba6 Bg1

**0-1**

**Gonzales,R GM (2550) – Kidd,J (2152)**  
**[B03]**

Land of the Sky (1), 01.2005

1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.d4 g6 4.c4 Nb6 5.c5 Nd5 6.Bc4 c6 7.Nc3 Nc3 8.bc3 d5 9.cd6 ed6 10.ed6 Qd6 11.Nf3 Be7 12.Ne5 Be6 13.Be6 Qe6 14.0-0 f6 15.Re1 fe5 16.Re5 Qf7 17.Bg5 0-0 18.Re7 Qf2 19.Kh1 Na6 20.Bh6 Rf7 21.Qb3 Qf6 22.Rae1 Nc7 23.Rc7

**1-0**

**Curcuru,M (2067) – Bereolos,P (2346)**  
**[C68]**

Land of the Sky (2), 01.2005

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Bc6 dc6 5.d4 ed4 6.Qd4 Qd4 7.Nd4 Bd7 8.0-0 0-0-0 9.Be3 c5 10.Ne2 Bd6 11.Nbc3 Ne7 12.Rad1 Bc6 13.Bf4 Bf4 14.Nf4 b6 15.f3 Kb7 16.Nh5 Rd1 17.Rd1 Rg8 18.Kf2 Be8 19.g4 f6 20.Ng3 Nc6 21.Nd5 Bf7 22.Nf5 Bd5 23.Rd5 g6 24.Nh6 Rg7 25.c3 Ne5 26.g5 Nd7 27.Rd7 Rd7 28.gf6 Kc6 29.Ke3 Kd6 30.Kf4 Ke6 31.f7 Ke7 32.e5 Rd2 33.e6 Re2 34.Ng8 Kf8 35.Nf6 Re6 36.Nh7 Kf7 37.Ng5 Kf6 38.Ne6 Ke6 39.Kg5 Kf7 40.c4

**1-0**

**Holmes, D (1923) – Goss, J (1609)**  
**[A05]**

Land of the Sky (5), 01.2005

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.g3 g6 3.b4 a5 4.b5 Bg7 5.Bb2 c6 6.c4 d5 7.bc6 bc6 8.cd5 cd5 9.Bg2 0-0 10.0-0 Nc6  
11.Na3 Rb8 12.Rb1 Bf5 13.d3 Nb4 14.Qd2 Qd7 15.Bc3 Qa4 16.Rb3 Nd3 17.ed3 Rb3 18.ab3  
Qa3 19.Ra1 Qb3 20.Nd4 Qb6 21.Nf5 gf5 22.Ba5 Qb5 23.Bc3 Kh8 24.Ra7 Re8 25.h3 Qb6  
26.Qa2 Rc8 27.Ra8 Qc6 28.Rc8 Qc8 29.Qb2 Qd8 30.Qb7 d4 31.Bb4 Bf8 32.Bc5 e5 33.Bb6 Qd7  
34.Qb8 Qe8 35.Bc7 Qb8 36.Bb8 Nd7 37.Bc7 f6 38.Kf1 Be7 39.Ke2 Nc5 40.Bb6 Kg7 41.Bc6

½-½

**Gragg,M (1718) – Good ,B (1939)**  
**[D31]**

Land of the Sky (2), 01.2005

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 c6 4.Nf3 dc4 5.a4 Bb4 6.Ne5 b5 7.e3 Bb7 8.Bd2 a5 9.ab5 Bc3 10.Bc3 cb5  
11.Nf7 Kf7 12.Qh5 g6 13.Qb5 Qd5 14.Qa4 Nf6 15.f3 Bc6 16.Qc2 Nbd7 17.e4 Qb5 18.Be2 Nb6  
19.0-0 Na4 20.Rfb1 Rhb8 21.Be1 Qb3 22.Qc1 Nb6 23.Qf4 Kg7 24.Qc7 Bd7 25.Bd1 Qd3 26.Bf2  
Qd2 27.d5 ed5 28.Bb6 Qe1

0-1

**LaQuerre, J – Goldin, A GM**  
**[A02]**

Land of the Sky **Simul**, 01.2005

1.f4 e5 2.fe5 d6 3.ed6 Bd6 4.Nf3 g5 5.g3 g4 6.Nh4 Ne7 7.e4 Nbc6 8.Be2 h5 9.c3 Ng6 10.Nf5 h4  
11.Nd6 Qd6 12.Rg1 hg3 13.hg3 Rh3 14.Kf2 Qf6 15.Ke3 Rg3 16.Rg3 Qf4 17.Kd3 Qg3 18.Kc2  
Bd7 19.d4 0-0-0 20.Nd2 Rh8 21.Nf1 Qf2 22.Be3 Qg2 23.Qd3 g3 24.Nd2 Rh2 25.Re1 Qh3  
26.Kb3 g2 27.Nf3 Rh1 28.Ng1 Qg3 29.Qd2 Nce7 30.Bd3 f5 31.Qf2 Qf2 32.Bf2 fe4 33.Be4 Bc6  
34.Bc6 bc6 35.Re3 Nf5 36.Re6 Nfe7

½-½

**McCartney,P (1961) – Spurrier ,R (1977)**  
**[B06]**

Land of the Sky (5), 01.2005

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 d6 4.Nf3 Bg4 5.Be2 Nc6 6.Be3 e5 7.d5 Nce7 8.Nd2 Bd7 9.a4 h6 10.f3 f5  
11.Bb5 Nf6 12.Bd7 Qd7 13.Qe2 0-0 14.Qd3 a6 15.Bf2 Rad8 16.b4 c6 17.dc6 Nc6 18.Nd5 Qf7  
19.Nf6 Qf6 20.b5 ab5 21.ab5 Ne7 22.0-0 d5 23.Qb3 Kh7 24.ed5 Nd5 25.Rad1 Nf4 26.g3 Nh3  
27.Kg2 Nf2 28.Kf2 e4 29.Nc4 Rd4 30.Ne3 f4 31.gf4 Qf4 32.Kg1 ef3

0-1

**Hyde ,K (1153) – Solero, A**

**[B23]**

Land of the Sky , 01.2005

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.f4 d6 4.Bc4 e6 5.Nf3 a6 6.0-0 Nf6 7.a4 Be7 8.e5 de5 9.fe5 Ne5 10.Be2 Nf3  
11.Bf3 0-0 12.d3 Rb8 13.Ne4 Qd4 14.Kh1 c4 15.dc4 Qc4 16.Ng3 Rd8 17.Qe2 Qh4 18.b3 Bd6  
19.Qf2 Be5 20.Ra2 Bd7 21.Bb2 Bg3 22.Qg3 Qg3 23.hg3 Nd5 24.Be5 Rbc8 25.c4 Nb4 26.Rd2  
Bc6 27.Bd6 Bf3 28.gf3 Nc6 29.Rfd1 a5 30.c5 f6 31.f4 Kf7 32.Kg2 h6 33.Kf3 g5 34.Ke4 Ne7  
35.Rh1 Nf5 36.g4 Ng3 37.Kd4 Nh1 38.Rh2 Ng3 39.Rh6 gf4 40.Rh7 Kg6 41.Rb7 e5 42.Kd5 f3  
43.c6 f2 44.c7 Re8 45.Ra7 f1Q 46.Ra5 Qd3 47.Kc6 Qe4 48.Kb6 Re6 49.Kc5 Rc7 50.Bc7 Rc6  
51.Kb5 Rc7 52.Ra6 Rb7

0-1

**Mabe, C (2124) – Andrews, T (2398)**

**[C18]**

Land of the Sky , 01.2005

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e5 c5 5.a3 Bc3 6.bc3 Qc7 7.Qg4 f5 8.Qh5 g6 9.Qd1 Bd7 10.Rb1 h6  
11.h4 Ne7 12.Rh3 Nbc6 13.Ne2 0-0-0 14.Nf4 g5 15.Nd3 g4 16.Rg3 cd4 17.Nc5 Qe5 18.Be3 Na5  
19.cd4 Qc7 20.Qd2 e5 21.de5 f4 22.e6 fe3 23.ed7 Rd7 24.Qd4 ef2 25.Qf2 Nf5 26.Qf5 Re8  
27.Kd1 Qc5 28.Qg4 Qf2 29.Rc3 Nc4

0-1

**Causey, D (1938) – Lipkin, M (1803)**

**[E16]**

Land of the Sky (2), 01.2005

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 b6 4.g3 Bb7 5.Bg2 Bb4 6.Bd2 Bd2 7.Qd2 0-0 8.0-0 d6 9.Nc3 Nbd7  
10.Qc2 Qe7 11.Rfe1 Rfc8 12.Rad1 a6 13.e4 Ne8 14.e5 c5 15.Ng5 Nf8 16.Bb7 Qb7 17.d5 h6  
18.Nf3 Rd8 19.Qe4 ed5 20.Nd5 Rab8 21.ed6 Rd6 22.Ne7 Kh8 23.Rd6 Qe4 24.Rh6 Qh7 25.Rh7  
Kh7 26.Ng5 Kh6 27.Nf7 Kh5 28.Re5 Kg4 29.Kg2

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**Stewart,B (1794) – Easterwood,M (1662)**

**[E00]**

Land of the Sky (3), 01.2005

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.g3 c6 5.Bg2 Nbd7 6.b3 Be7 7.Nbd2 0-0 8.0-0 Re8 9.Qc2 Nf8  
10.Rd1 Ng6 11.Bb2 Bd6 12.e4 Bf8 13.Ne5 Qa5 14.a3 Ne7 15.b4 Qb6 16.c5 Qc7 17.a4 Nd7  
18.Nd3 Nf6 19.e5 Nd7 20.b5 Ng6 21.h4 Be7 22.h5 Ngf8 23.Nf4 f6 24.Bh3 Bd8 25.Nf3 fe5 26.de5  
cb5 27.Rac1 ba4 28.Qa4 Qc6 29.Qa3 Qc7 30.Re1 Nb8 31.Nd4 Nc6 32.Nb5 Qa5 33.Qd3 Nb4  
34.Qe2 Qa4 35.Nd6 Re7 36.Qg4 Qd7 37.h6 Kh8 38.Bf1 g6 39.Bb5 Qc7 40.Ne6 Be6 41.Qb4 a6  
42.Ne8 Qa5 43.Qf4 Rf7 44.Qf7 Bf7 45.e6 Kg8 46.ef7 Kf7 47.Nd6 Kg8 48.Be8 Qc7 49.Bf7 Qf7  
50.Nf7 Kf7 51.Rcd1 Bg5 52.Rd5 Bh6 53.Rde5 Kg8 54.Re7 Rc8 55.Ba3 Bg7 56.Rb7 Bd4 57.Re4  
Bc5 58.Bb2

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# The USCF 2005 Election



“If elected, one of the first things I would push hard for would be a retreat, bringing together our leaders, recognized experts in the various facets of chess, and potential strategic partners, along with a top notch facilitator to create a master plan for coherent action to properly promote USCF and keep it relevant for the future.”

*Joel Channing*

*We, the undersigned, urge USCF members to vote for Joel Channing, a very successful business man and chess aficionado who will bring his tremendous business experience and know-how to the Executive Board table:*

*GM Arthur Bisguier, Dean of American Chess*

*Dale F. Frey, Treasurer, General Electric (ret.) and  
Chairman of the Board (ret.) of General Electric Investments, Inc.*

*World Champion GM Susan Polgar*

*Erik Anderson, President AF4C*

*GM Yasser Seirawan, Three-time US Champion & 1979 World Junior Champion*

*Allen Kaufman, Former Executive Director Chess-in-the-Schools*

*Dan Lucas, President Chess Journalists of America*

*Bill Goichberg, USCF Executive Director 2003/04*

*Don Schultz, USCF Secretary & Board Contact Int'l Affairs*

*Mike Cavallo, USCF Executive Director 1996 to 1999*

*Dr. Frank Brady, Founder Chess Life Magazine*

*Franc Guadalupe, President Florida Chess Assn.*

*John Donaldson, Six-time US Olympiad Team Captain*

*Paul Truong, Team Captain & Manager 2004/05 US Women's Team*

*Harvey Lerman, Editor floridaCHESS*

*Jon Haskel, Co-chair USCF Finance Committee*

*Carol Jarecki, Co-author USCF Official Rules of Chess*

*Robert Tanner, FIDE Zonal President for USA*

*Dr. Joe Wagner, USCF Executive Board Member*

*Fabio LaRota, 2004/05 US Senior Champion*

**Ballots and mailing instructions will be attached to the June issue of Chess Life.**

# **2005 NORTH CAROLINA CLASS** **CHAMPIONSHIP**

May 6-8 or 7-8

5-SS, 30/90, SD/1. (2-day option Rd. 1 G/90).

Clarion Hotel Greensboro Airport, 415 Swing Road (I-40 at Exit 213),  
Greensboro, North Carolina 27409. (336)-299-7650.

**\$\$8000 b/165 full entries, \$4000 GTD.** In 10 sections.

Open: \$925-500-250, u2200- \$600-300-150.

Under 2000: \$600-300-150, u1900- \$100.

Under 1800: \$600-300-150, u1700- \$100.

Under 1600: \$600-300-150, u1500- \$100.

Under 1400: \$500-250-125, u1300- \$100.

Under 1200: \$500-250-100.

Under 1000: Trophies to top 7.

Under 800: Trophies to top 7. Under 600: Trophies to top 7. Unrated: Trophies to top 5. (Unrated must play in Unrated or Open sections).

**EF: \$69, 2-day \$68 if rec'd. by 5/02; \$75 at site. GMs and IMs free, \$65 deducted from prize. Juniors: \$49 advance; \$59 at site.**

U1000, U800, U600, and Unrated EF: 3-day \$20, 2-day \$19 if rec'd. by 5/02, \$24 at site.

Re-entry: \$40.

**Byes:** limit 2, Rds. 4 and 5 must commit before Rd. 2. All: 3-day schedule-Reg. ends 5/06 at 7 p.m. Rds.: 7:30, 2-7:30, 10-3:30. 2-day schedule- Reg. ends 5/07 9:30 a.m. Rd. 1 at 10, then merges with 3-day.

**Hotel:** \$72. Cut off date 4/22 to be guaranteed a room. Mention Group Code: ACP. Info: Atlanta Chess Center: (404)-377-4400., Thad Rogers (478)-742-5607 or [atlantachess@yahoo.com](mailto:atlantachess@yahoo.com).

Enter: American Chess Promotions, 3055 General Lee Road, Macon, Georgia 31204. NS. NC. W. FIDE. Grand Prix Points: 15.

## Raleigh Open Swiss Experiment

A Monthly 4-Round Swiss-System Tournament

[ChessCafe.Com](http://ChessCafe.Com) Grand Prix Points: 6

Winner receives national recognition in Chess Life

4-SS Rds. 1-3 G/75 Rd. 4 G/90

Entry Fees: \$21 if received 4 days in advance of the tournament  
\$25 if received on site.

Site:

Caraleigh Baptist Fellowship Hall

[118 Summit Ave.](#)

Raleigh, NC

Reg.: 9-9:45 Rds. 10-1-4-7

Two sections:

Prizes: \$900 b/55 (\$600 GTD.)

OPEN: \$200G-\$100G u2100, u1800 \$75 each

U1600: \$200-\$100 u1400, u1200 \$75 each

Unrateds will be assigned a rating for prize purposes after round 3.

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**May 14 (Charlotte) Billy's III**, Billy's Restaurant, 1601 E. Woodlawn Rd.  
(In the Park Rd. Shopping Center), Charlotte, N.C. **3-SS, G-75. \$100-50.** In  
10 man sections. EF: **\$20.** (\$25 for non-members) NCCA Memb. req. **\$5.**

Reg: 9:30-9:45am. Rds: 10-1-4.

INFO: NM Leland Fuerstman 704-573-2121

**Note:** E-mail me @ [lelandfue@yahoo.com](mailto:lelandfue@yahoo.com)  
and your name will be included on the  
List of Players who intend to participate!

### Books and Equipment on Sale At Site!

[WhirlwindChess.com](http://WhirlwindChess.com)

*I-85 to Billy Graham Parkway East which becomes Woodlawn Rd. or I-77 to Woodlawn Rd. Exit  
Travel E. on Woodlawn Rd. After you cross Park Rd. turn left into the 1st entrance of Park Rd.  
Shopping Center. Billy's Restaurant is right there!*

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These tournaments are held monthly in North Carolina. Check [ncchess.org](http://ncchess.org)  
for all 2005 dates. Come out and support some of NC's most active  
directors.



## Upcoming Tournaments

DATE	TOURNAMENT	LOCATION
March 26, 2005	<a href="#">Raleigh Open</a>	Raleigh
April 1-3, 2005	<a href="#">35th Annual Southern Congress</a>	Atlanta
April 5, 2005	<a href="#">Ricochet 3 (USCF quick-rated)</a>	Asheboro
April 9, 2005	<a href="#">Royal Rooks Saturday Swiss</a>	Charlotte
April 16, 2005	<a href="#">Billy's</a>	Charlotte
April 16, 2005	<a href="#">Greenville Chess Open 2</a>	Greenville
April 16, 2005	<a href="#">Wolfpack Open II</a>	Raleigh
April 23, 2005	<a href="#">Academy of Chess Excellence Scholastic</a>	Mooresville
April 23, 2005	<a href="#">Raleigh Open</a>	Raleigh
April 23, 2005	<a href="#">Lakeway Spring Open</a>	Morristown, TN
April 23, 2005	<a href="#">Henderson Co. Scholastic Championships</a>	Hendersonville
2005	<a href="#">WSSCA Spring III Scholastic</a>	Winston-Salem
<a href="#">N.C. Invitational</a>	Charlotte	April 30, 2005
<a href="#">Team Chess Tournament</a>	Charlotte	April 23, 2005
<b>May 6-8, 2005</b>	<a href="#">North Carolina Class Championships</a>	<b>Greensboro</b>
May 14, 2005	<a href="#">Billy's</a>	Charlotte
14-15, 2005	N.C. All Girls Open	Charlotte
2005	<a href="#">Global Chess Challenge</a>	Minneapolis
May 28, 2005	<a href="#">Raleigh Open</a>	Raleigh
28-29, 2005	<a href="#">U.S. Amateur South</a>	Charleston, WV
June 4, 2005	<a href="#">Orchard Lake International</a>	Saluda
June 10-12, 2005	<a href="#">Emory Castle Grand Prix</a>	Atlanta
June 18, 2005	<a href="#">Billy's</a>	Charlotte
June 25-26, 2005	<a href="#">N.C. State Games</a>	Cary
2005	<a href="#">Billy's</a>	Charlotte
<b>July 29-31, 2005</b>	<b>LPO</b>	<b>Greensboro</b>
August 20, 2005	<a href="#">Billy's</a>	Charlotte
<b>Sept. 16-18, 2005</b>	<b>North Carolina Open</b>	<b>Greensboro</b>
September 17, 2005	<a href="#">Billy's</a>	Charlotte
15, 2005	<a href="#">Billy's</a>	Charlotte
2005	<a href="#">Billy's</a>	Charlotte
<a href="#">Billy's</a>	Charlotte	October 19, 2005
		November 17, 2005

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