



# SUNCOAST CHESS CLUB NEWSLETTER

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## 1 INTRODUCTION

Falling further behind with the January issue distributed in February, but we will catch up ...

## 2 UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS

### 26-27/02/2011 2011 Suncoast Powell Open

This is the first of two open tournaments that the club will convene in 2011. We need a big turn out from the club to each event, so be there! Tournament details are available at:

<http://www.cag.org.au/htm/2011PowellSuncoastOpen.pdf>

## 3 JOKE

In a park people come across a man playing chess against a dog. They are astonished and say:

*What a clever dog!*

But the man protests: *No, he isn't that clever. I'm leading by three games to one!*

## 4 RESULTS

### 4.1 FRENCH QUICKIE LIGHTNING

Is legal to publish the results of such a tournament in a family newsletter? Just as well the editor received only the very basic results, played over 7 rounds on 21<sup>st</sup> December 2011:

1<sup>st</sup> **Otto Mehlreter** with 6, followed **John Potts** on 5.5 then **Michael Jefferies** on 5.

### 4.2 GRAND PRIX SWINDLE LIGHTNING

**Otto Mehlreter** finished the year on a winning note winning this 7-round event on 28 December. Big news was **Aidan Leask** in 2<sup>nd</sup>, followed by **John Potts** 3<sup>rd</sup>.

PLACE	NAME	RATING	SCORE
1	Mehlreter, Otto	1630	7
2	Leask, Aidan	1210	5.5
3	Potts, John B	1404	5
4	Jefferies, Michael		4.5
5-6	Dyer, Jeff	1395	4
	Bleney, Rebecca	1133	
7-9	Sorenson, Finn	1069	3
	Lawrence, Michael	1271	
	Hookham, Cliff		
10	Jefferies, Peter		2
11	Leask, Zac		1
12	Le Voyant, Adrien		0

### 4.3 HAPPY NEW YEAR RAPID

**Otto Mehlreter** started the year the way he finished the last, winning this tournament played over 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> January. Not even new player 1788 **Gregory Frankcom** could stop him, but **Alfred Zuegn** managed a draw in the final round. **Finn Sorenson**, **Jeff Dyer** and **John Potts** shared the minor placings.

Place	Name	Rating	Score
1	Mehlreter, Otto	1630	5.5/6
2-4	Sorenson, Finn	1069	4/6
	Dyer, Jeff	1395	
	Potts, John B	1404	
5	Frankcom, Gregory	1788	3.5/6
6	Zuegn, Alfred	1477	3/6
7	Krause, Terry	1559	2.5/3
8	Jefferies, Michael	1100	2/3
9-10	Hookham, Cliff	1100	1.5
	Bleney, Rebecca	1133	
11-14	Lawrence, Michael	1271	1/3
	Leask, Aidan	1210	
	Cray, Andrew	1189	
	Jefferies, Peter	900	
15	O'Connor, Daniel	1139	0.5/3
16	Leask, Zac	800	0/3

### 4.4 SUMMER RUSH ALLEGRO

**Otto Mehlreter** continued his winning ways in this 15-minute aside tournament played on 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> January. This time though, Otto conceded two draws, in the final rounds to **Michael Jeffries** and **Cliff Hookham**. **Alfred Zuegn** finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> and **Michael Jeffries** in 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Place	Name	Rating	Score
1	Mehlreter, Otto	1630	6/7
2	Zuegn, Alfred	1477	5.5/7
3	Jefferies, Michael	1222	5/7
4	Potts, John	1404	4.5/7
5-6	Hookham, Cliff	1111	3.5
	Sorenson, Finn	1069	
7-8	Leask, Aidan	310	3/7
	Dyer, Jeff	1395	
9-13	Balisky, Lawrence		2/3
	Stefszki, Tibor	901	
	Le Voyant, Adrien		
	Krause, Terry	1559	2/4
	O'Connor, Daniel	1139	2/7
14-17	Bleney, Rebecca	1133	1/3
	Coghill, Wendy	442	
	Lawrence, Michael	1271	
	Leask, Zachary	200	1/7
18	Borrow, Joanne		0/2

## 5 GAMES

Michael Riggs brings us one of his games from his internet team tournaments.

### Deadly Spike (1551) – Riggs, Michael (1593) [B01]

Team 45 45 League T47 Internet Chess Club (1), 08.11.2010 [Summers, P]

**1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.d4 Nxd5 4.c4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6** A little unusual, but not necessarily bad **6.Nf3 Bg7 7.Bd3?N** [Definitely not the best square for the bishop, which now shields the d-pawn from the protection of the queen. Better is 7.Be2]

**7...0-0 8.Bd2?N** Diagram But this move is a clear mistake, not losing, but a mistake nonetheless. Positionally it commits the same sin as the last move, but the bishop is doing nothing on this square. More importantly though, the Black queen is now x-raying the bishop on d3 which is undefended. This gives a clue to what should have been Black's next move.



[Instead **8.0-0 c6** (8...Bg4 9.d5 Nbd7 10.Re1 c6± ½-½ (19) Mikhailov, P (1865)–Senin, S (2127)/Nizhnij Novgorod 2007/(19)) **9.Re1** (9.h3 Nbd7 10.Re1 e6± Berger, R–Mair, J/Vienna 1998/0-1 (23)) **9...Re8 10.h3 Nbd7±** 1-0 (26) Le Bail, C (1937)–Marie, A (2069)/France 2005/EXT 2006/(26)]

### 8...Bg4

[8...e5 9.dxe5

- a) 9.d5 e4 10.Bxe4 Nxe4 11.Nxe4 Re8-+;
- b) 9.Be3 exd4 10.Nxd4 (10.Bxd4 Nc6±) 10...Ng4±;
- 9...Qxd3 10.exf6 Bxf6±]

**9.h3? Bxf3 10.Qxf3 Nc6** [Better is 10...Qxd4±] **11.d5 Ne5 12.Qe2 Nxd3+ 13.Qxd3** Because of the exchanges, Black has allowed White to recover from his poor opening.

**13...c6 14.Rb1?** Committing a cardinal sin again. Castle early and castle often! Black allowed White a reprieve, but no matter how deadly your spike is :), you cannot play attacking chess on every move. [14.0-0=]

**14...cxd5 15.Nxd5 Nxd5 16.cxd5** The d5 pawn is doomed **16...Qd6±**



**17.Qe4?** With a latent threat that fails as will be shown below [17.0-0 Rfd8 18.Rfc1 Qxd5 19.Qxd5 Rxd5 20.Be3±] **17...Rfe8** [17...Rfd8 18.Bb4 The latent threat 18...Qxd5 19.Qxd5 Rxd5 20.Bxe7? Re8 (or 20...Re5+ and White's lack of king safety loses him the game)]

**18.Bb4 Qa6** Holding the king in the centre **19.a3 Rad8 20.b3??** The losing move [20.Qe2 The pawn had to be abandoned] **20...Qb5 21.Rd1 a5 22.Bd2 Rxd5** [or 22...e6] **23.Qc4 Qd7** Playing strongly to finish quickly **24.Qc2 Rc8 25.Qa2 Bc3** White resigns **0-1**