



SUNCOAST CHESS CLUB NEWSLETTER

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1 INTRODUCTION

This month we will focus on the successful 2011 Powell Suncoast Open and the new March ACF ratings. Surprisingly the ratings included the results from the Open which finished on 27 February and the ratings were released only three days later on 02 March. Good work **Jeff**!

2 UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS

A number of players from the following locations played in the Suncoast Open and we need to reciprocate. Start planning your car-pooling or accommodation-pooling now!

16-19 April [Darling Downs Open](#) Toowoomba

22-26 April [Queensland Open](#) Brisbane

30 April- 02 May [Peninsula Open](#) Rothwell (Redcliffe)

Entering all three of these tournaments earns a bulk discount, meaning that entry to the Peninsula Open is effectively free. To gain access to information about this or if you are looking at a paper copy of this newsletter and want to access the links above start at: www.caq.org.au and click Upcoming Events.

3 POWELL SUNCOAST OPEN

A successful Suncoast Open was held on Saturday 26 and Sunday 27 February 2011 at the Coolumb-Peregian RSL. 39 players participated in the main tournament and 15 players in the blitz tournament held on the Saturday evening. **Jeff Dyer** gave up his playing role to perform DOP duties running a calm and friendly tournament, well done Jeff.

Overall results in the Open were:

1st Stephen Solomon with a picket fence 6 from 6.

2nd-3rd Yi Liu and John Harris with 5 from 6.

Michael D'Arcy shared the prize in Rating Group C with 4 from 6 and **Daniel O'Connor** shared the prize in Rating Group D.

During the course of the event Mars Bar prizes for round upsets were scored by **Michael D'Arcy**, **Cliff Hookham**, **Andrew Lambert** and **Aidan Leask**. Unfortunately some of our players were also named as being upset; however here they shall remain nameless!

Results for Suncoast players in tie break order as follows:

Open Placing	Suncoast Placing	Name	Rating	Score
6-11	1-2	Paul Summers	1679	4
		Michael D'Arcy	1362	
12-16	3	Otto Mehlreter	1630	3.5
17-23	4-5	Krause, Terry	1559	3
		Daniel O'Connor	1139	
24-28	6-7	Potts, John B	1404	2.5
		Alfred Zuegn	1477	
29-34	8-13	Cliff Hookham	U/R	2
		Andrew Lambert	1079	
		Finn Sorensen	1069	
		Dominic Patisier	1209	
		Aidan Leask	310	
		Michael Lawrence	1271	
35-37	14	Wendy Coghill	442	1.5

15 players participated in the blitz tournament with **Jeff Dyer** proving conclusively that men can multi-task by playing and directing play. Gene Nakauchi and Kevin Casey shared 1st (6/7), while **Michael D'Arcy** and Yi Liu shared second billing (4.5). Up there with the big names Michael! Other Suncoast players participating in the blitz were **Alfred Zuegn** and **Andrew Lambert** (4), **Jeff Dyer** (3.5), **Bill Powell** (2.5) and **Daniel O'Connor** (2).

3.1 RATINGS

The March ratings revealed some big shifts largely due to the running of the Open. The club's average rating went up by 36 points, even with the addition of a number of players who were not previously rated (which pulls the average down, as the editor has not manipulated the figures to exclude them).

You had to get into triple figures to make the top improvers for this ratings period with **Aidan Leask** topping the group with a whopping 440 point increase. Mmmm, maybe he was a little under-rated before ... no matter well done Aidan!

Details overleaf.

SUNCOAST CHESS CLUB RATINGS			
RANK	NAME	ACF RATING Mar 2011	CHANGE FROM LAST
1	Butler, Geoffrey T	2067	0
2	Summers, Paul	1820	141
3	Montague, Ivor	1814	0
4	Mehlreter, Otto	1747	117
5	Kadhun, Monkeith	1645	21
6	Krause, Terry	1597	38
7	Thorvaldsen, Arne	1557	0
8	D'Arcy, Michael	1504	142
9	Powell, Bill	1478	3
10	Dyer, Jeff	1471	76
11	Porritt, Brian	1451	32
12	Potts, John B	1440	36
13	Zuegn, Alfred	1395	-82
14	Kerr, Alistair M	1385	46
15	Murray, Victor	1305	0
16	Cray, Andrew	1190	1
17	Lawrence, Michael	1190	-81
18	Sorenson, Finn	1179	110
19	O'Connor, Daniel	1173	34
20	Goh, Jilly	1157	0
21	Bleney, Marcus	1151	119
22	Bleney, Rebecca	1151	18
23	Hookham, Cliff	1129	0
24	Patissier, Dominic	1127	-82
25	Lambert, Andrew	1071	-8
26	Fernandez, Dale	1044	17
27	Deient, Erwin	1013	23
28	Leask, Aidan	750	440
29	Coghill, Wendy	419	-23
30	Hull, Samuel	315	68
AVERAGES		1291	35.99
TOP 3 IMPROVERS: CLUB RATING			
	Leask, Aidan	+440	
	D'Arcy, Michael	+142	
	Summers, Paul	+141	
TOP 3 PLUMMETS: CLUB RATING			
	Zuegn, Alfred	-82	
	Patissier, Dominic	-82	
	Lawrence, Michael	-81	

4 GAMES

Ratings and Open details have consumed lots of space, so only room for a short game this time. **Daniel O'Connor** upsets **Jeff Dyer** in the Bishop's End in 2010.

Dyer, Jeff (1395) – O'Connor, Daniel (1139) [A45]

Bishops End (4), 30.11.2010

[Summers,P]

1.d4 d5 2.e3 Nf6 3.Nd2 e6 4.a3 What is this??
4...a5 5.Ngf3 c5 6.c4 Nc6 Both White and Black commit to a very passive system of play in this game. The editor dozed off a couple of times while preparing it, so please forgive the low number of notes. [6...cxd4 7.Nxd4 Nc6 8.N2f3 Bc5 9.cxd5 Qxd5= 0-1 (51) Mohamed,H-Abdul Razaq,H/Dubai 2002 (51)]

7.cxd5 Nxd5 8.Bb5 Bd7 9.Bxc6 Bxc6 10.0-0 b5 11.dxc5 Bxc5 12.Ne5 Qc7 13.Nxc6 Qxc6 Exchange, exchange, exchange, yawn.
14.Qh5? Gonna kill you with my lone queen!
14...0-0 15.Nf3 Bd6 16.Bd2 Nf6 Very defensive
17.Qh3 h6 Unnecessary. Why move the pawn when there is no threat. How do you know you have moved the right pawn?

18.Bc3 Be7 [18...Ne4] 19.Rac1 Rac8?
[19...Qb7] 20.Ne5? [20.Bxf6 Qxc1 21.Bxe7 Rfe8 22.Bd6 Qxb2±] **20...Qc7 21.Qf3**
[21.Ng4] 21...Bd6 22.Bd2 [22.Nd3] 22...Qb6
23.Rxc8 Rxc8 24.Bc3 Qc7? [24...Rxc3 25.Nxf7 (25.bxc3 Bxe5+) 25...Rc4 26.Nxh6+ Kh8+] **25.Ng4??** [25.Nd3] **25...Nxg4**
[25...Nd5] 26.Qxg4 e5 [26...Bxh2+ 27.Kh1 Be5±] 27.h3 f6 28.Qg6 The game comes alive at the end though, when Black finds a cunning plan in this position.



28...Bxa3!? 29.Rd1? [29.Bxe5] 29...b4
30.Bxe5?? Qxe5 31.bxa3 bxa3 32.Rd7 Rc1+
0-1