

CJCC January 2019 Newsletter

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Happy New Year everyone, and we hope everyone had a fantastic 2018! This year will have a lot of exciting tournaments coming up, with the Calgary Chess Challenge and Chess Championships on the horizon.

Christmas Party and Chess School

December 9, 2018

The annual CJCC Christmas Party saw 76 players attending. This chess school had many fun activities, with the teaching of Bughouse, free pizza lunch, and a Bughouse tournament at the end. Players of all skill levels joined, and even if you didn't know how to play bughouse, we made sure the rules and strategies of bughouse were explained thoroughly beforehand.



With this many players, this chess school would not have been possible without the help of our hard-working volunteers. They supervised and taught players, and helped with registration and with lunch.

Angelo Tolentino teaching intermediate section

For more information on this event, please visit:

<https://www.calgaryjuniorchess.com/CJCC/event/event/10006>

Calgary Girls Winter Chess Camp

December 28 - 29, 2018

The Calgary Girls Winter Chess Camp was an all girl camp that focused on improving chess knowledge, learning new skills, and most importantly, having fun. The main goal of this camp was to promote chess to girls, as we see a lack of female representation

within the chess community. There are currently only 37 female Grandmasters in the world, compared to 1585 male Grandmasters. WIM Agnieszka Matras-Clement, the top female player in Canada, brought her great experience to the camp through various lectures, sharing with the girls her insight and knowledge of chess.



The camp also included formal instruction, casual and serious games, team building exercises, game analysis, a simultaneous exhibition, and more.

Upcoming Events

New Year's Tournament

January 12, 2019

The New Year's Tournament is a fun way to start off 2019 with a bit of chess. Winners of each section will be awarded trophies! In order to speed up the process, please make sure to pre-register online and arrive on time at 1:00 PM.

For more information and to pre-register, visit:

<https://www.calgaryjuniorchess.com/CJCC/event/event/12137>

Calgary Chess Challenge

January 19, 2019

The Calgary Chess Challenge is the qualifier for the Alberta Chess Challenge, and then the Canadian Chess Challenge. This tournament will be split into 12 sections based on grade level, with a time control of 25 minutes plus 5 second delay. Winners of each section will receive trophies and travel grants to the Alberta Chess Challenge in Red Deer.

To pre-register for the tournament, please visit:

<https://www.calgaryjuniorchess.com/CJCC/event/event/12148>

January Chess School

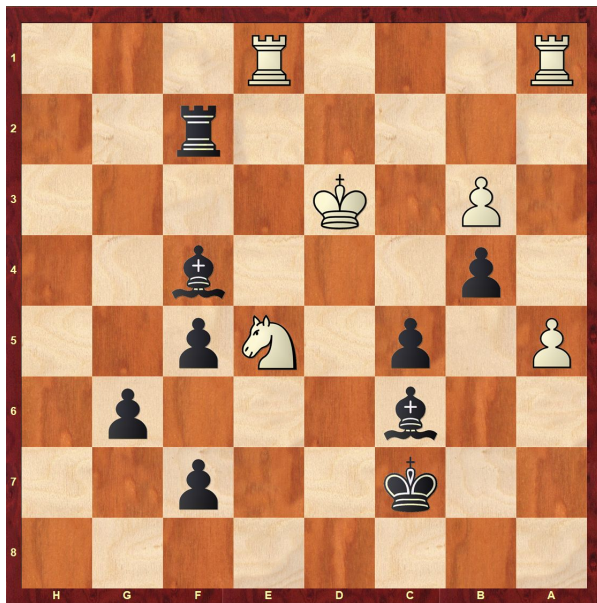
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The January Chess School is a fun event to develop chess skills and participate in competition with peers.

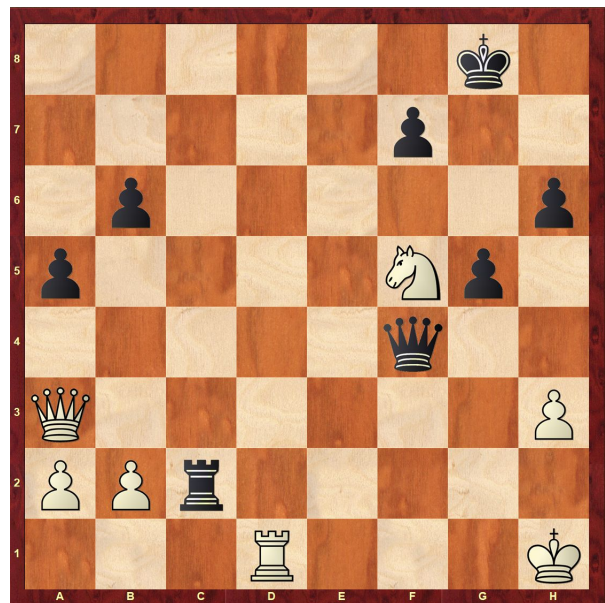
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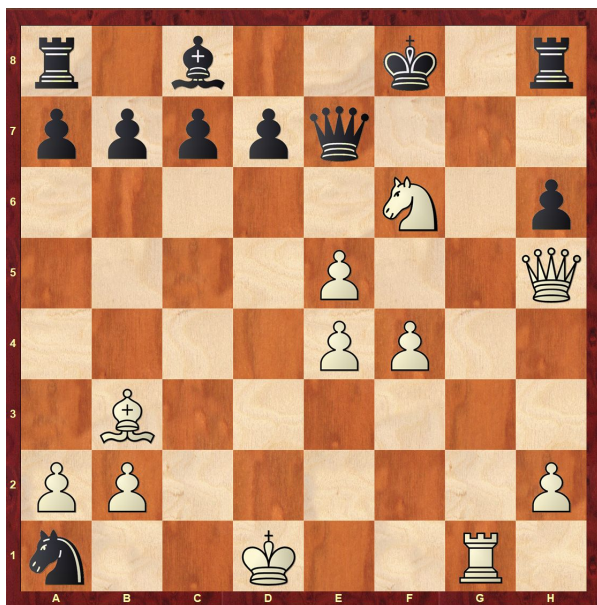
Chess Puzzles



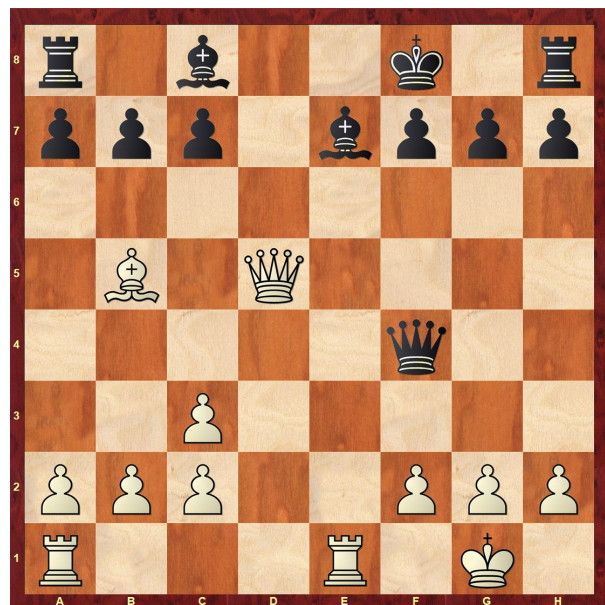
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2. White to play, mate in 2



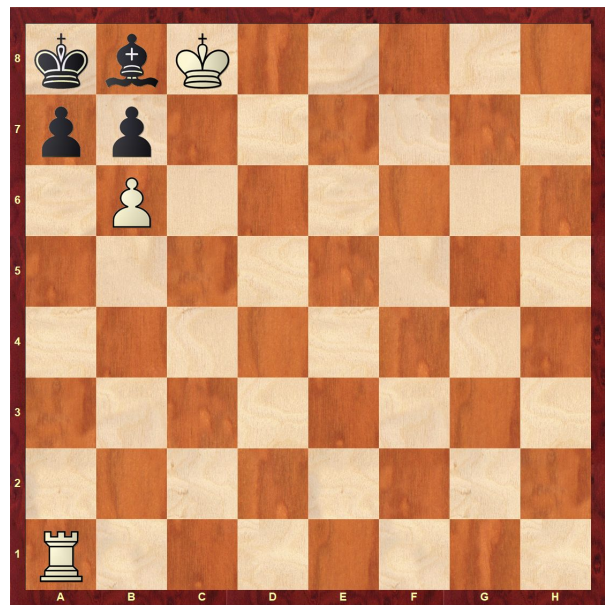
3. White to play, mate in 2



4. White to play, mate in 2



5. Black to play, mate in 2



6. White to play, mate in 2

Solutions:

1. 1... Bb5+ 2. Nc4 Rd2#
2. 1. Qf8+ Kxf8 2. Rd8#
3. 1. Qxh6+ Rxh6 2. Rg8#
4. 1. Qd8+ Bxd8 2. Re8#
5. 1... Nh4+ 2. Ke1 Nxf3#
6. 1. Ra6 bxa6 2. b7#

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