

Idaho Chess Bulletin

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GLEN BUCKENDORF

Wins State Championship

The 1967 Idaho State Chess Champion is Glen Buckendorf, of Buhl. Glen won over seven other entrants in the Class A of the Idaho State (Closed) Tournament, held in Twin Falls at the YWCA building February 11-12. Buckendorf, who won the Idaho title many times in the 1950s, hasn't been champion for several years and won with steady play throughout. After four rounds he had the title clinched regardless of the outcome of the last game. Ted Hartwell lost only to the champion and was 2nd, $3\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$.

Eugene Cowan, who has placed third too many times for him to wish to remember, was 3rd again and missed a share of the glory when he dropped his 4th round game to Hartwell. Dick Vandenburg, who has won the title four times in the last seven years, lost out in round two when he dropped a game to fifth place, Dewey Varn. Varn had offered a draw, which was refused, but Vandenburg went on to blunder the game, and any tournament chances away with it.

Cowan provided the most excitement of the tournament when, in the first round, he turned down a draw offer by Varn in what was probably a lost position because of Varn's poor clock position. Dewey couldn't make the time break and Cowan won the game.

Clarence Rambo beat A.B. Ellis in the fourth round to win the Class B section. Ellis had earlier eliminated Jerry Stanke in the competition between the top three players. John Myers, of Boise, played very well to win the Class C trophy, starting with a very low rating.

After the tournament was over, Vandenburg won a handicap speed tournament, played as a six round swiss with 15 entrants. Lloyd Kimpton placed 2nd. Each player received a time allotment to play the game depending upon his tournament placing over the weekend, starting with Buckendorf at 2 minutes and going down to six minutes for A.J. Lee and Jim Memmott.

CLASS A

Player	Home	USCF	1	2	3	4	5	Score	Solkoff
1. Glen Buckendorf, Jr.	Buhl	1891	W6	D3	W2	W5	D4	4-1	
2. Ted Hartwell	Twin Falls	1870	D4	W7	L1	W3	W6	$3\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$	14
3. Eugene L. Cowan	Driggs	1810	W5	D1	W7	L2	W8	$3\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$	11 $\frac{1}{2}$
4. Dick Vandenburg	Boise	2010	D2	L5	W6	W8	D1	3-2	
5. Dewey Varn	Mountain Home AFB	1910	L3	W4	W8	L1	D7	$2\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$	
6. Max Wennstrom	Boise	1715	L1	W8	L4	W7	L2	2-3	
7. Lloyd Kimpton	Twin Falls	1857	W8	L2	L3	L6	D5	$1\frac{1}{2}-3\frac{1}{2}$	
8. Dee Harris	Sugar City	1984	L7	L6	L5	L4	L3	0-5	

Class B

Player	Home	USCF	1	2	3	4	5	Score	Solk	S.B.
1. Clarence Rambo	Murtaugh	1740	D9	W8	W4	W2	W5	$4\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$		
2. A.B. Ellis	Nampa	1791	W10	W11	W3	L1	W6	4-1		
3. Jerry Stanke	Nampa	1767	W8	W4	L2	L5	W10	3-2	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
4. H.J. Myers	Boise	1377	W5	L3	L1	W11	W8	3-2	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	6
5. Nick Skirmants	Boise	1670	L4	W12	W9	W3	L1	3-2	13	
6. Barney Graff	Murtaugh	1764	W12	L9	W11	W10	L2	3-2	9	
7. Delmer Davies	Twin Falls	1266	L11	D10	L8	W12	W9	$2\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$		
8. Spencer Joslyn	Boise	1592	L3	L1	W7	W9	L4	2-3		
9. George Rasor	Boise	1459	D1	W6	L5	L8	L7	$1\frac{1}{2}-3\frac{1}{2}$	15	
10. A.J. Lee	Boise	---	L2	D7	W12	L6	L3	$1\frac{1}{2}-3\frac{1}{2}$	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	
11. Vic Waterman	Nampa	1608	W7	L2	L6	L4	L12	1-4	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	
12. Jim Memmott	Twin Falls	1466	L6	L5	L10	L7	W11	1-4	12	