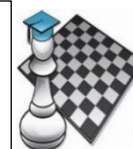


Announcement: Hey guys, did you know the *Gentoo* penguin can play chess vs 20 people at the same time? But if you think that's good, you should see *Gen 3* 😊 Also, something else you should see, the world's most hilarious chess joke newsletter ;) RNF



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# ROOK NO FURTHER # 53

## THE WHAT

So, kids, do you want to test your chess skills in a NEW, FUN and EXCITING WAY?

And Parents, do you want to know more about upcoming junior tournaments?

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**COACH JOKES:** Q: Why are pens so good at chess?  
A: They have the write stuff 😊

## TACTICAL TIPS + TRICKS: Opening General Ideas: Swapping Queens Off Early #3

Hi everyone, one interesting idea in a chess game is to trade the Queens off early. Once the Queens get traded, it's naturally that much harder for your opponent to attack you without their strongest piece. This can be particularly useful if you're playing someone with more experience/ a stronger opponent- that is, to remove their most dangerous attacking weapon. Also, there are some openings that offer a Queen trade early and these are rarer openings as it is, for example the lion's yawn (see RNF 42) or the Ruy Lopez Berlin defence which happens after the moves e4 e5 Nf3 Nc6 Bb5 Nf6 O-O Nxe4 d4 Nd6 Bxc6 dxc6 dxe5 Nf5 Qxd8 Kxd8! There are other examples too. Now, I'm not saying you have to play these openings, but they can be useful 😊 😊

## PESKY PUZZLES:

In each position find the best move/moves.

White to move = W Black to move = B

Question:

Here we are black. What's the easiest move here to obtain an advantage?



B



W



## MAGIC MINIS

Each newsletter, a fun mini game.

- e4 Nc6
- Nf3 d6
- d4 e5
- dxe5 Nxe5
- Nxe5 dxe5
- Qxd8+ Kxd8
- Bc4 Ke7!
- Nc3 Be6
- Nd5 Kd7!
- Be3?? c6!!



0-1

Here, with the Queens off white falls for a simple trap losing a piece 😊

### Bonus Bonus Bonus Chess Joke

Why can't branches ever take back in chess?  
Because their moves stick :)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

<https://sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/tournaments/upcoming>

<b>PYMBLE SATURDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 21ST AUGUST</b>	<b>12:40pm- 3:50pm</b>
Online Code: T4JUAWGAJD	
<b>EPPING SATURDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 28TH AUGUST</b>	<b>1:40pm- 4:50pm</b>
Online Code: WVHTFBC4Y1	
<b>NORTHERN BEACHES SUNDAY FUN 29TH AUGUST</b>	<b>12:50pm- 3:50pm</b>
Online Code: 24KSDAG7ZI	
<b>INNER WEST SUNDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 5TH SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>9:20am- 1:00pm</b>
Online Code: V024UCOGAA	
<b>PARRAMATTA SATURDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 11TH SEPTEMBER</b>	<b>12:50pm- 4:00pm</b>
Online Code: QT4WPIDHLG	

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