

Announcement: Do you guys know why the easter bunny wins a lot of chess tournaments? Because he's an "eggspert" XD (he also reads RNF) XD. And, you know why the vegetable forfeited his chess game? Because he didn't turnip 😊 RNF 104...



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# ROOK NO FURTHER # 104

Why do chess players like listening to gramophones? Because when they play, they want to set records 😊

## 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? Rook no further! Find me on [sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/newsletters](http://sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/newsletters) + on our [Facebook Page](#)

**COACH JOKES.**  
 Q Why couldn't the chess player join the chess school on the moon?  
 A: It was outer space 😊

## TACTICAL TIPS + TRICKS:

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### HELPFUL TIPS TO PRACTICE Playing "Different" Openings #4

Do practice them :)

Hi everyone. This newsletter could easily be titled "the effect of playing different openings". That is, playing different patterns to start the game and bring out your pieces, that aren't very well known- or at least that aren't played too often. Now, I'm not talking about moving 1. Pawn to a4 on our first move. Sure, that is a move that isn't played too often, but it also does nothing to help us control the center, develop our knights and bishops and castle with our King- for King safety. Rather, I'm talking about opening patterns that help us to do these important things anyway, but are much rarer ways to start. Openings like the Mikenas Defence for example, for Black. That is, where, Black moves 1. Knight to c6 in response to a White 1. Pawn to d4. A lot of strong

players v. me have all said they have had no idea how to handle such.

## PESKY PUZZLES:

In each position find the best move/moves.  
 White to move = W Black to move = B

**Double Attack:**  
 Why does White's pawn e4 here win a piece? What happens if Black goes Bishop takes pawn? Where is the fork/double attack?



W



Setup to do a fork with the circled f4 pawn 😊

Why does BLACK'S pawn to c3 setup a fork?

## MAGIC MINIS

Each newsletter, a fun mini

This final rd tournament win gave me equal 1st 😊

- d4 Nc6
- Nf3 d6
- d5 Ne5
- Nxe5 dxe5
- e4 Nf6
- Bd3 e6
- c4 exd5
- cxd5 Bc5
- 0-0 h6!
- Kh1? Ng4!
- f3 Nxh2!!
- g3 Nxf1
- Qxf1 Qf6
- Kg2 Qg6
- Qh1 h5!
- Bb5+ Kf8!
- Nc3 h4!
- g4 h3+!
- Kh2 Bd4
- Qd1 Qb6
- Ba4?? Bxc3 0-1

White resigns since Qf2 is next



Koalas never cheat in chess as they'd be 'diskoalafied' 😊

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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

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| <b>BURWOOD U/400 JCL CHESS TOURNAMENT 23RD MARCH</b> | <b>1:00pm- 4:00pm</b>  |
| Online Code: WKX8HOQHSY                              |                        |
| <b>BURWOOD U/8 CHESS TOURNAMENT 23RD MARCH</b>       | <b>9:00am- 12:00pm</b> |
| Online Code: 5C83KPLA3L                              |                        |
| <b>PYMBLE SATURDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 23RD MARCH</b>     | <b>12:40pm- 3:50pm</b> |
| Online Code: 78ZHRIWL1V                              |                        |
| <b>EPPING SATURDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 23RD MARCH</b>     | <b>1:40pm- 4:50pm</b>  |
| Online Code: N8E2TL4ZR9                              |                        |
| <b>DOUBLE BAY SUNDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 24TH MARCH</b>   | <b>12:40pm- 3:50pm</b> |
| Online Code: PZH4RW8H1Z                              |                        |

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