

Announcement: The chess player walked by the park yesterday and saw a dog playing chess with its owner. The owner said I'm up 2 games to 1 😊 And also, what happened when the chess player won a game against his mop? He wiped the floor with it 😊 RNF



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# ROOK NO FURTHER # 109

Did you see the movie over the holidays about the world's longest truck who plays chess? Nope? Did you see the trailer? 😊

## 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: I actually thought I saw a dinosaur bone at a chess tournament?  
A: But it turned out to be a fossil arm 😊

## TACTICAL TIPS + TRICKS: FAMOUS CHESS PLAYERS

**"Emanuel Lasker"**

UPDATED EDN

Do practice the ideas :)

Hi everyone. For this RNF I thought we'd look at my favourite player of all time, the holder of the World Chess Champion title for the longest time ever, the great German chess player Emanuel Lasker (1868-1941). Lasker himself was World Champion from 1894 to 1921. Naturally, Lasker is regarded as one of the strongest players ever in history as a result. But what made him so strong? And what lessons can we importantly take from his play? It's interesting. You could almost say Lasker was more or less by himself in a lot of his chess strategies. That is, as opposed to his fellow players of the time. Lasker believed in playing the "most practical" moves a lot. Not solely the "best moves". This meant that often Lasker would play moves that would put his opponents

under the most pressure. Why? He believed that everyone

## PESKY PUZZLES:

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

### Lasker Game:

Here, from this game, we can see both sides are attacking heaps! Lasker is White. How did he promote and checkmate? 😊



W



Find the way to setup a knight promotion fork of King + Queen 😊 White

## MAGIC MINIS

Each newsletter, a fun mini

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| 1. e4 c5       | 18. Nxe6+ Qxe6 |
| 2. Nf3 Nc6     | 19. Qxa8 Bxe3+ |
| 3. d4 cxd4     | 20. Kh1 1-0    |
| 4. Nxd4 Nf6    |                |
| 5. Nc3 d6      |                |
| 6. Be2 e6      |                |
| 7. 0-0 a6      |                |
| 8. Be3 Qc7     |                |
| 9. f4 Na5      |                |
| 10. f5 Nc4     |                |
| 11. Bxc4 Qxc4  |                |
| 12. fxe6 fxe6  |                |
| 13. Rxf6! gxf6 |                |
| 14. Qh5+ Kd8   |                |
| 15. Qf7! Bd7   |                |
| 16. Qxf6+ Kc7  |                |
| 17. Qxh8 Bh6   |                |

Lasker v. Vasja Pirc 1935

Easily winning, Lasker sidesteps all the attack :)



The position after move 20 Black has no attack here

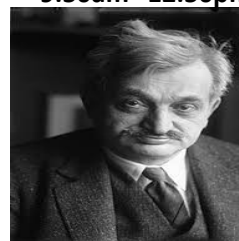
## UPCOMING EVENTS

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

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| <b>BURWOOD U/8 CHESS TOURNAMENT 22ND JUNE</b>           | <b>9:00am- 12:00pm</b> |
| Online Code: 5C83KPLA3L                                 |                        |
| <b>BURWOOD U/400 JCL CHESS TOURNAMENT 22ND JUNE</b>     | <b>1:00pm- 4:00pm</b>  |
| Online Code: WKX8HOQHSY                                 |                        |
| <b>LINDFIELD SATURDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 22ND JUNE</b>      | <b>12:40pm- 3:50pm</b> |
| Online Code: PED6BU1VRR                                 |                        |
| <b>NORTHERN BEACHES SUNDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 23RD JUNE</b> | <b>12:40pm- 3:50pm</b> |
| Online Code: 69NHI2LYIZ                                 |                        |
| <b>HURSTVILLE SUNDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 23RD JUNE</b>       | <b>9:50am- 12:50pm</b> |
| Online Code: SN6C47Q2GC                                 |                        |

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Lasker



SuperCoach signing off