

Announcement: What did the chess player do when his ice chess set broke in two?
 Igloored back together 😊 What did the duck do when his chess set broke? He used
 duck-tape 😊 Five and a half years and still going strong, the classic jokes of RNF :))



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ROOK NO FURTHER # 113

Why did the chess player want to eat dessert before his game? Because he thought he needed a few twix



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 did the railway lose the chess game?
 A: Because it lost its train of thought 😊

TACTICAL TIPS + TRICKS:

UPDATED EDN

"Tactical Trickery" Exchange Sacrifices

Do practice the ideas :)

Hi everyone. In this newsletter I thought I'd cover a pretty tricky idea known as an 'exchange sacrifice'. Now, an exchange is the difference between a Rook and a Bishop or Knight. A Rook is basically one level higher up of pieces... Chess masters often give up a Rook for an opponent's Knight or Bishop (and hopefully a pawn as well). When they do this they are losing on points. So, you might ask, why would they want to be losing on points in the first place? Masters typically perform an exchange sacrifice to open up an opponent's castled King. Masters typically perform an exchange sacrifice to secure a dangerous passed pawn- one that's close to Queening. Or, masters perform an exchange sacrifice to permanently install a strong Bishop or Knight in the centre. In

other words, there's usually a reason for it. 😊

PESKY PUZZLES:

In each position find the best move/moves.

White to move = W Black to move = B

Exchange Sacs 1 :

QUESTION

Why is White's Rook takes Knight (even though the Knight is defended) going to be really strong? 😊



Find the strongest move for White and the follow up pawn capture



Find White's plan here to win the game. Think pawns

MAGIC MAZES

The White Bishop is the only moving piece. It can capture pieces, but it CAN'T LAND IN DANGER. How many moves does it take to check Black's King?



UPCOMING EVENTS

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

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| EPPING SATURDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 31ST AUGUST | 1:40pm- 4:50pm |
| Online Code: N8E2TL4ZR9 | |
| BURWOOD SUNDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 1ST SEPTEMBER | 2:30pm- 5:50pm |
| Online Code: TSVT1C65NL | |
| PARRAMATTA U/500 JCL TOURNAMENT 7TH SEPTEMBER | 12:45pm- 4:00pm |
| Online Code: RYHL2PBBX4 | |
| BURWOOD U/500 JCL TOURNAMENT 14TH SEPTEMBER | 1:00pm- 4:00pm |
| Online Code: VAI6P5VYK1 | |
| PARRAMATTA SATURDAY TOURNAMENT 14TH SEPTEMBER | 12:50pm- 4:00pm |
| Online Code: GH6UV1MN1G | |

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