

Announcement: Have you heard about the most expensive chess set in the whole world?  
Yeah it's great, it's actually made out of candy canes. And it's in mint condition XD 😊  
And, ducks are great at chess, because they watch a lot of chess duckumentaries 😊 RNF



# 2024 ROOK NO FURTHER # 118

You know why the beef stew didn't win its chess game? Because it wasn't stroganoff



## 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 couldn't the astronaut join the chess comp on the moon?  
A: Unfortunately, it was outer space 😊

## TACTICAL TIPS + TRICKS: "Rarest of the Rare #3" Caro Kann- 'Kane' Variation

UPDATED EDN

Do practice the ideas :)

Hi everyone. For this newsletter, let's look at the interesting idea (for White), against the Caro Kann, known as the Caro-Kann, Kane Variation. This is, where the idea is, to put a frustrating knight (for the opponent) on the square g5 and eye all sorts of tricks and tactics against the weak f7 square. Remember, the f7 square is the weakest square on the chessboard at the start of the game as it is only guarded by the King! The Caro Kann- Kane Variation starts with 1. White pawn to e4, Black replies Pawn to c6- (this is the Caro Kann). But now, after the usual follow up moves, 2. White Knight to c3, Black Pawn to d5, 3. White Knight to f3, Black takes on e4, 4. White captures back with the Knight, Black goes Knight to f6, and, here, after 5. Knight e to g5 from White we

## PESKY PUZZLES:

In each position find the best move/moves. reach the so-called Kane variation. The plan is very much to target f7. See magic mini

### World's Trickiest Checkmate in 1

Don't worry. Checkout this hint though 😊  
Which White Queen move **still blocks the Black Bishop from checking our King**, but attacks Blacks King 😊 ?



## MAGIC MINI

USA National Master Jeremy Kane v. Austrian Grandmaster Blohberger 2020 game 1-0

- 1. e4 c6
- 2. Nc3 d5
- 3. Nf3 dxe4
- 4. Nxe4 Nf6
- 5. Neg5! h6
- 6. Nxf7 Kxf7
- 7. Ne5+ Ke8
- 8. Bd3! e6
- 9. Bg6+ Ke7
- 10. Nf7 Qd5
- 11. O-O Rg8
- 12. d4 Nbd7
- 13. c4 Qxc4
- 14. b3 Qd5
- 15. Ba3+ c5
- 16. dxc5 Qxd1
- 17. Raxd1 Nb8
- 18. Bd3+ Kh8
- 19. c6+ Ke8
- 20. Rd8# 1-0



Note: sacrificing a knight on move 6 is probably better for faster timed games- though playing thru such improves tactics

Why doesn't Black's Queen a5 check actually win a pawn back?

#ChessMaze- How many moves does it take to check Black without moving into danger

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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

- BURWOOD U/12 CHESS TOURNAMENT #2 23RD NOVEMBER 9:00am- 12:00pm  
Online Code: PVLRF6RZO3
- BURWOOD U/8 CHESS TOURNAMENT 23RD NOVEMBER 9:00am- 12:00pm  
Online Code: 5C83KPLA3L
- BURWOOD U/800 CHESS TOURNAMENT #2 23RD NOVEMBER 1:00pm- 4:00pm  
Online Code: CSVJX3V49F
- BURWOOD U/400 CHESS TOURNAMENT 23RD NOVEMBER 1:00pm- 4:00pm  
Online Code: WKX8HOQH5Y
- LINDFIELD SATURDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 23RD NOVEMBER 1:10pm- 4:20pm  
Online Code: R8AD7DQX0W

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