

Announcement: How can horses play chess in the dark? With a knight light 😊 Or, what do plain pizzas think about their chess development? There's not mushroom for improvement 😊 The world's greatest chess joke newsletter RNF, nears closer to # 100



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ROOK NO FURTHER # 98

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 + on our [Facebook Page](#)

COACH JOKES: Q: Why did the chess player want to go for a jog before his game?
A: He thought it would help in the long run 😊

TACTICAL TIPS + TRICKS:

Positional Ideas In Chess #3

Holes OR Weak Squares 😊

Hi everyone. One thing that makes it really easy to attack in chess (and everyone likes to attack of course 😊), but one thing that makes it easy is to place our pieces in so called "holes" or weak squares. A hole/weak square in chess is any square on the board that can't be guarded by a pawn. Now, if a pawn attacks any piece it will have to run away. By placing pieces in holes, this ensures they can't be easily chased away anytime soon. And, we can therefore use holes as jumping off points from which to launch our attack. Think about it. Especially centre squares, but also squares close to the opponents King, if we occupy such squares with our pieces and our pieces can't be dislodged, this can be a very big advantage in the overall big picture of the game.

Try placing a piece in such a square in your next game 😊

PESKY PUZZLES:

In each position find the best move/moves.

White to move = W Black to move = B

Question: 😊

We are White here. Find a way to do a fork/double attack on the b2 rook and d8 square 😊



B



White can force checkmate

Find the double check leading to mate

MAGIC MINIS

Each newsletter, a fun mini game.

1. e4 e5
2. f4 exf4
3. Nf3 Nc6
4. Nc3 d6
5. Bc4 Bg4
6. Ne5! Bxd1
7. Bxf7+ Ke7
8. Nd5# 1-0

Final Position 😊 😊 😊



Bonus Chess Joke: Which King wrote the most chess books in history? King Author 😊

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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

EPPING SATURDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 26TH AUGUST 1:40pm- 4:50pm

Online Code: NXRQ0WULAS

EASTERN SUBURBS SUNDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 27TH AUGUST 12:40pm- 3:50pm

Online Code: JTBSOR0DEW

NORTHERN BEACHES SUNDAY FUN 27TH AUGUST 12:40pm- 3:50pm

Online Code: JTBSOR0DEW

CHESS SQUAD U/18 TOURNAMENT 2ND SEPTEMBER 9:30am- 12:30pm

https://www.chesssquad.com/subscribe/?plan=prod_Mt30Jhsidr5Wxz

INNER WEST SUNDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 3RD SEPTEMBER 9:20am- 1:00pm

Online Code: EK1SJZGPGW

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SuperCoach signing off

White wins with a pattern known as "Legal's Mate" from the 1979 game Ham – Howard 😊 😊 😊 :)