

World 3–Move Qualifying Tournament
 St. Leonard’s Hotel, Stonehaven, Scotland
 24 July – 27 July 2006
 Annotated by Jim Loy

Table – final results

place	name	federation	points	buch.
1	Morrison, Jim	ACF	26	175
2	Durdyev, Bagtyar	TNDF	24	177
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4	Beckwith, Richard	ACF	23	172
5	Holmes, Michael	ICHF	20	175
6	Allcock, Rawle	EDA	19	173
7	Zachos, Ingo	NZCF	18	154
8	Harwood, Dave	EDA	17	154
9	Canning, Thomas	ICF	17	146
10	Pawlek, Dennis	GDA	16	172
11	Novotny, Tomas	CUD	14	152
12	Keder, Igor	CUD	13	150
13	Tichy, Jaroslav	CUD	12	148
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Colin Young – Danny Oliphant

9-13 23-18 10-15 26-23 7-10?(A) 30-26?(B) 3-7(C) 24-20(D) 15-19?(E) 23-16 12-19 18-15(F)
 11-18 22-15 7-11(G) 27-23(H) 11-27 32-16 8-11 16-7 2-11 26-23 4-8 25-22 8-12 23-19?(I) 5-9
 31-27 9-14 27-23(J) 10-15 19-10 6-15 RW

A – A published loss, although it is called a draw in *Kear’s Encyclopedia*. 6-10* draw PP.

B – 23-19! 5-9 (others seem to lose) 27-23 10-14 19-10 6-15 30-26 2-6 32-27 6-10 24-19 15-24
 27-20 and 28-24 WW in *Basic Checkers*.

C – = 10-15 23-18 7-10 26-23 3-7 30-26 9-13 seems to be a published draw.

D – 18-14 PP may be somewhat stronger.

E – 5-9 draws, D. McGrath – J. Shore and J. Monroe – R. Hayes, both in the 1957 Ryan Memorial
 Mail Ty.

F – Good, but 27-23 may be an easier WW, F. Farmer – H. Reynolds, 1924 ACA Nat.

G – Others lose.

H – 20-16!! 11-18 (11-20 15-11 8-15 21-17 WW, C. McKenna – D. Roberts, 1995 English Open)
 16-12 18-23 (others lose) 27-18 8-11 12-8 (may be best) 6-9 (others may also lose) 18-15 11-18
 32-27 (26-22? seems to draw) 4-11 27-23 WW.

I – 22-18 draws.

J – The pieces in the middle of the board look familiar, which may be why White headed for this lost
 ending.

Danny Oliphant – Colin Young

9-13 23-18 10-15 27-23 7-10?(A) 32-27(B) 3-7(C) 18-14 10-17 21-14 15-18 22-15 11-18 26-22 7-11
22-15 11-18 14-10(D) 6-15 23-14 2-7(E) 24-19(F) 15-24 28-19 1-6 27-23 13-17 25-21(G) 6-9
14-10(H) 7-14 19-16 12-26 31-6 draw

A – A published loss. 6-10 draw PP.

B – Or 23-19 WW PP.

C – = 10-15 23-18 7-10 27-23 3-7 32-27 9-13. 6-9 is a good try, but may lose: 6-9 18-14 10-17
21-14 9-18 23-14 3-7 24-19 15-24 27-20 (28-19 may draw?) 1-6 25-21 6-10? (6-9 draw) 29-25?
(28-24 and 30-25 may win) 10-17 21-14 11-15 25-21 7-11? (12-16 draw) 22-17? (14-10 WW) 13-22
26-17 15-19 14-9 5-14 17-10 19-24 28-19 11-16 20-11 8-24 21-17 12-16 17-13 16-20 10-6 2-9 13-6
draw, W. Ferguson – B. Lucas, 1994 British Open.

D – Good. 24-19 is also published to win.

E – 15-18 also loses, P. Davis – D. Lafferty, 1974 U.S. Nat., with Lafferty later agreeing to a draw
to win the round.

F – Colin Young has been on the other side of this position: 25-22!! 8-11 (1-6 22-17 WW, J. Lanier
– H. Cravens, 1966 U.S. Nat. from 10-15 23-18 9-13! which is not in the three move deck) 22-17!
(or 27-23 WW, R. Shaw, *Elam's Checker Board* g.7205) 13-22 31-26 22-31 24-20 31-24 28-3 4-8
(11-15 WW, C. Young – E. Bruch, 1995 IM) 29-25 1-6 25-22 11-15 14-10 WW, G. King – L.
Cowie, 1960 Lakeside.

G – 23-18 may be similar to the next note.

H – 23-18 17-22 30-26 9-13 26-17 13-22 21-17 is more aggressive, but seems to draw.

Bagtiyar Durdyev – Mustafa Durdyev

11-15 21-17 9-14 17-13(A) 15-19 24-15 10-19 23-16 12-19 27-24(B) 7-10 24-15 10-19 32-27(C)
8-11(D) 27-23 3-7 23-16 11-20 26-23 14-18(E) 22-15 6-9 13-6 1-26 30-23 4-8 25-22 draw

A – Considered weak.

B – 25-21 draw PP or 13-9 6-13 27-24 draw was played several times by E. Lowder.

C – 25-21 draw PP.

D – 6-10 may be stronger.

E – Others draw.

Mustafa Durdyev – Bagtiyar Durdyev

11-15 21-17 9-14 25-21 8-11 17-13 14-17(A) 21-14 10-17 29-25 17-21 24-19(B) 15-24 28-19 11-16
22-18 4-8 25-22 8-11(C) 27-24 16-20 19-15 20-27 15-8 12-16 31-24 3-12 draw(D)

A – 11-16 draw PP.

B – 22-17 has a good reputation, but 24-19 may be somewhat stronger.

C – 7-10 draw, G. Tanner – A. Long, 1922 ACA Nat., and several other games, including W. Ryan
– W. Hellman, 1949 WCM g.29, is also difficult.

D – A good game which ended somewhat prematurely. Continue 24-19 5-9 18-15 6-10 White
strong, but probably a draw.

Myles Hannigan – Shane McCosker

9-13 23-19 5-9 27-23 11-15 22-18 15-22 25-18 8-11 19-15 10-19 24-8 4-11 32-27 6-10 18-14 9-18
23-14 10-17 21-14 11-15 29-25 12-16 25-22 draw (PP)

Shane McCosker – Myles Hannigan

9-13 23-19 5-9 27-23 11-15 22-18 15-22 25-18 8-11 19-15 10-19 24-8 4-11 32-27 6-10 18-14 9-18
23-14 10-17 21-14 11-15 29-25 12-16 25-22(A) 16-20?(B) 30-25?(C) 1-5(D) 26-23(E) 2-6 23-18
15-19 25-21(F) 19-23 14-9(G) 23-32 9-2 7-11 2-6 32-27 31-24 20-27 6-10 27-31 10-6 31-27 6-10
27-23 18-14 23-26 22-18 26-22(H) 18-15 draw

A – The first game ended here.

B – 1-5* draws in *Basic Checkers*.

C – 26-23 is a published WW, H. Richards – M. Chamblee, 1946 ACA Nat., but Nemesis' opening book suggests that this may draw. Continue 15-19? (Nemesis suggests 7-11 which seems to draw) 23-16 7-11 16-7 3-26 31-22 1-6 28-24 6-10 22-18 2-7 24-19 7-11 30-26 13-17 26-23 11-15 18-11 10-14 11-7 17-22 7-2 22-26 2-6 14-17 23-18 26-31 27-23 WW, H. Richards – M. Chamblee, 1946 ACA Nat.

D – Back to a published draw.

E – Or 25-21 draw, A. Long – M. Tinsley, 1981 WCM g.3.

F – 27-24 draw, W. Ryan – N. Rubin, 1935 match g.6.

G – Or 14-10 draw.

H – Others draw.

Frank Bednell – William Docherty

10-14 22-17 11-16(A) 17-10 6-15 21-17(B) 7-10 17-13(C) 1-6?(D) 24-19 15-24 28-19 3-7(E)
25-22(F) 9-14 29-25 8-11 25-21?(G) 16-20?(H) 22-17 11-15 19-16 12-19 23-16 15-18 26-23 18-22
23-19 14-18 27-24 20-27 32-14 6-9 13-6 2-18 17-14 10-17 21-14 18-23 19-15 4-8 16-12 7-11 12-3
11-18 WW

A – Gemini I, one of the "new" openings.

B – 23-18 draw PP.

C – I analyzed this in 1997, but it was played by T. Sheehan in the 1998 I-D Ty., vs. J. F. Jones, before I had a chance to play it. It was a good way to avoid PP. At the time, I thought it improved PP.

D – Seems to be the loser. 9-14 24-19 15-24 28-19 8-11!, the move I overlooked back then, and seems to be the easiest draw, several games in the 2000 I-D.

E – I analyzed 8-11 to a WW.

F – 26-22 may also win.

G – 22-18 WW?

H – 11-15 may draw.

William Docherty – Frank Bednell

10-14 22-17 11-16 17-10 6-15 21-17 16-19(A) 23-16 12-19 25-22(B) 1-6 17-13 7-10(C) 29-25 8-11
25-21 4-8 24-20 19-24(D) 28-19 15-24 26-23 8-12 22-17 11-15 30-25?(E) 24-28?(F) 25-22(G) 2-7
23-18 7-11 31-26(H) 15-19 27-24 10-15 17-14?(I) 3-7 22-17 15-31 24-8 9-18 8-3 6-10 17-14 10-17
21-14 7-11 3-8 11-15 8-11 31-26 14-10 26-22 10-7 15-19 11-15 19-23 7-2 RW

A – This little-known move seems to draw.

B – 17-13 9-14 25-22 draw, L. Martin – T. Sheehan, 1998 I-D and T. Sheehan – B. Vanderpool, 2000 I-D.

C – 9-14 draw, T. Sheehan – J. Loy, 2000 I-D.

D – 9-14 may be better.

E – 23-19 and 30-26 may be strong.

F – 3-7 and 7-11 seems to be strong, and may be a RW.

G – 31-26 and 20-16 may be strong, but probably draws.

H – 27-24 seems easier.

I – May be the result of a momentary hallucination, because I thought this looked promising, too.
20-16! 11-27 32-16 12-19 18-11 seems to draw.

Richard Beckwith – Jim Morrison

10-15 24-20 7-10 28-24 3-7(A) 23-19(B) 11-16(C) 20-11 7-23 27-11(D) 8-15 22-18 15-22 25-18
9-14(E) 18-9 5-14 24-19(F) 4-8(G) 29-25 8-11 25-22 6-9 26-23 9-13(H) 30-26(I) 2-7 draw(J)

A – = 11-15 24-20 8-11 28-24 3-8.

B – Still very popular, with lots of published play.

C – 9-14 draw PP.

D – Or 26-19 draw in Robertson's Guide.

E – Or 4-8 first.

F – 26-23 draw, RG.

G – Back to PP.

H – = 11-15 23-18 8-11 27-23 4-8 23-19 10-14 19-10 14-23 26-19 7-14 24-20 6-10 22-17 9-13
30-26 13-22 25-9 5-14 26-23 11-15 29-25 15-24 28-19 8-11 25-22 C.R.

I – 22-18 draw PP.

J – The final position can be found in W. Gardner – W. Strickland, 1886 match g.16 from 12-16
24-20 8-12, and in a few other games.

Jim Morrison – Richard Beckwith

10-15 24-20 7-10 28-24 3-7 23-18 9-14 18-9 5-14 22-17 11-16(A) 20-11 7-16 24-20 15-19 20-11
8-15 25-22 4-8 17-13 8-11 22-17 11-16?(B) 30-25 6-9(C) 13-6 2-9 17-13 1-6 25-22 14-18 22-17
9-14 29-25 16-20 32-28 12-16 26-22 19-23 27-24 20-27 31-24 16-19 24-20 23-26 20-16 18-23
16-11 14-18 11-7 19-24 28-19 15-24 22-15 10-19 7-2 6-10 2-7 10-15 7-11 24-27 11-18 27-31 18-27
31-24 25-22 19-23 22-18 26-30 18-14 30-26 14-9 26-22 9-5 23-26 17-14?(D) 22-17 14-10 17-14
10-7 24-19 5-1 19-15 7-2 26-31 2-7 31-26 1-6 26-23 7-3 23-18 6-2 15-11 3-7 11-15 draw

A – 12-16 draw PP.

B – This seems to be the loser. 12-16! draw PP, shown in *Basic Checkers*. Or 2-7 draw PP.

C – 14-18 WW, H. L. Owen – E. Lowder, 1991 Northern States Ty.
D – Missing the following little trick: 5-1 24-19 1-6! 19-15 (others lose) 13-9 WW.

Clayton Nash – Ronald King

12-16 21-17 9-14 17-13 16-20 22-18 8-12 18-9 5-14 26-22(A) 4-8(B) 22-18 14-17* 25-21(C) 11-16
21-14 10-17 24-19(D) 7-10 31-26(E) 8-11(F) 18-15(G) 11-18 23-7 16-23(H) 27-18 2-11 18-14 11-16
14-9(I) 6-10 9-6 10-15 6-2 15-19 13-9 19-23 26-19 16-23 29-25 23-26?(J) 30-23 17-21 25-22 21-25
22-17 25-30 23-18 30-26 18-14 26-23 2-7 3-10 14-7 20-24 28-19 23-16 WW

A – 25-22 draw PP in *Basic Checkers* and elsewhere.

B – Or 14-17 first, but 11-15 may be easier.

C – Or 24-19 is also strong.

D – Or 31-26 White strong, R. Armstrong – R. King, 1988 U.S. Nat. from 11-16 21-17 16-20.

E – Or 18-15 White strong.

F – May be better than 17-21, which was played to a long draw, A. Moiseyev – R. King, 2005 WCM
g.5.

G – Draw, R. Brace, *Kear's Encyclopedia*, p.80 note H.

H – This or 2-11 are easier than 3-10? which may lose, E. Markusic – T. Laverty, 1992 U.S. Nat.
from 11-16 21-17 16-20.

I – 29-25! 17-21 14-9 6-10 9-6 10-15 6-2 15-19 13-9 3-8 9-5 8-11 2-7 19-23 26-19 16-23 7-16 12-19
25-22 20-24 22-18 24-27 30-26 23-30 32-16 30-26 18-15 26-23 15-10 23-19 16-12 19-16 draw!

J – A fine defensive game by Nash to here. Now the natural 12-16 seems to draw easily, for
example: 12-16 25-21 17-22 21-17 22-26 17-14 26-31 14-10 31-26 2-7 26-22 7-11 22-18 9-6 18-14
11-7 14-18 7-11 or 30-26 draw.

Ronald King – Clayton Nash

12-16 21-17 9-14 17-13 16-19(A) 23-16(B) 11-20 24-19(C) 8-11 26-23(D) 11-15(E) 22-18 15-22(F)
25-9 5-14 29-25 4-8 25-21?(G) 8-11 30-25 14-17 21-14 10-17 25-22 17-26 31-22 11-15?(H) 19-10
6-15 23-18 draw

A – "Best," R. Fortman in *Basic Checkers*.

B – 24-15 is "rated strongest," R. Fortman.

C – 25-21 draw PP.

D – Or others.

E – 4-8 draw, A. Long – R. Munzinger, 1960 U.S. Nat. from 12-16 21-17 16-19.

F – Or 15-24 draw, E. Bruch – R. Bailey, 1988 Florida Open.

G – This may lose. 25-22 draw, V. Adams – R. Frye, 1968 U.S. Nat. from 12-16 21-17 16-19.

H – 6-10! 13-9 1-5 22-18 5-14 18-9 11-15 19-16 15-19 RW.

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Ron King – William Docherty

9-14 22-17 11-16 25-22 8-11(A) 17-13 11-15 24-19 15-24 28-19 4-8 22-18 8-11 18-9 5-14 29-25
16-20 25-22 11-16 22-17(B) 7-11 26-22 11-15 23-18 15-24(C) 18-9 24-28 30-26 16-19(D) 17-14(E)
10-17 21-14 19-24 22-18 12-16 RW?(F)

A – Or 16-19, the Double Corner Dyke.

B – Symmetric. 22-18 draw PP. For all of you grammar fans out there, "symmetrical" is also correct, and is probably more popular. "Hypothetic" and "synthetical" are so rare as to sound like the scraping of the proverbial fingernails on the proverbial blackboard. And so you see that English makes a whole lot of sense, not. Well, sometimes not.

C – 14-23 is also popular.

D – 10-15 17-14 16-19 PP may be stronger.

E – 22-18 draw PP.

F – A RW in *Kear's Encyclopedia*. But continue: 18-15 6-10 15-6 1-17 9-6 2-9 13-6 17-21 6-2 21-25 2-6 25-29 3-8 [25-29 6-10 29-25 10-14 25-21 14-18 21-17 18-22 (other ideas may draw, too) 17-14 26-23 14-10 23-19 (or 23-18 draw) a nice, clean draw] 6-10 16-19 (25-29 draws) 10-15? (10-7 draws easily, correcting Kear's) 25-30 26-22 30-25 22-17 25-22 17-13 22-26 RW, W. Glasson, *Kear's Encyclopedia*, p.336 note V.

William Docherty – Ron King

9-14 22-17 11-16 25-22 8-11 22-18 16-20 18-9 5-14 24-19(A) 11-15 29-25(B) 15-24 28-19 4-8 25-22 8-11 17-13(C) 11-15(D) 19-16 12-19 23-16 15-19 22-17 10-15 17-10 7-14 26-22(E) 19-24 22-17 14-18 17-14 15-19?(F) 30-26 19-23 26-19 18-22 14-10?(G) 6-15 19-10 22-26 31-22 24-31 16-11 20-24 13-9 1-5 9-6 2-9 10-6 9-14 6-1 31-26 32-28 26-17 28-19 17-22* 1-6 14-18 6-10 18-23 11-7 WW?(H)

A – 29-25 draw PP.

B – 19-16 is "considered more aggressive," R. Fortman in *Basic Checkers*.

C – = 9-14 22-17 11-16 25-22 8-11 24-19 11-15 17-13 15-24 28-19 4-8 22-18 8-11 18-9 5-14 29-25 16-20 25-22 in *Kear's Encyclopedia*. 19-16 "is preferred," R. Fortman.

D – 11-16 draw PP.

E – 16-11 draw PP, in *Kear's* and elsewhere.

F – 18-22 seems to draw, C. Reno – R. King, 1995 GAYP Nat.

G – Taking a draw. 16-11 22-26 31-22 24-31 14-9 WW.

H – An easy draw. Perhaps a costly mistake, as Docherty ended up tied for second place, taking third on honor points. Scoring was by individual games, not by rounds.

Clayton Nash – Frank Bednall

10-14 24-20 7-10 22-18 11-16 20-11 8-22 25-18 4-8 28-24 8-11 24-20(A) 10-15 30-25(B) 15-22 26-10 6-15 25-22 9-14 22-17 2-7 17-10 7-14 29-25 5-9 25-22 9-13 23-18 14-23 27-18 1-6 31-26 12-16 32-28 16-19 21-17?(C) 6-10 20-16 11-20 18-11 20-24 11-7 10-15?(D) 26-23 draw

A – 24-19 draw PP, as in the next game.

B – 27-24 draw PP.

C – 20-16 draw.

D – 24-27! 7-2 27-32 2-6 10-15 RW.

Frank Bednall – Clayton Nash

10-14 24-20 7-10 22-18 11-16 20-11 8-22 25-18 4-8 28-24 8-11 24-19 9-13 18-9 5-14 29-25
11-15?(A) 19-16(B) 12-19 23-16 2-7 27-23*(C) 6-9 32-27?(D) 15-18?(E) 26-22 1-6 22-15 10-26
30-23 13-17(F) 27-24 9-13 24-19 6-10 16-11?(G) 7-16 19-12 10-15 25-22 17-26 31-22 3-7(H) 12-8
7-11 8-3 11-16 3-8 15-19 8-12 19-26 12-19 26-30 19-23* 14-17 21-14 30-25 draw

A – A very popular published loss. 3-7* draw PP.

B – Or 25-22 WW, W. Steel, *Kear's Encyclopedia*, p.324 note H.

C – Several other moves have been played here.

D – 31-27 WW. 25-22? draw, M. Loew – N. Bernstein, 1950 U.S. Nat.

E – 1-5 may draw.

F – Or 6-10 25-22 10-15 31-26 WW.

G – 31-26 3-8 16-12 8-11 25-22 WW.

H – = J. Morrison – E. Morrison, 2004 U.S. Nat. C.R. from an Octopus.

Myles Hannigan – Colin Young

11-16 23-18 16-20 24-19 10-14 26-23 8-11 22-17 7-10 17-13(A) 3-7* 31-26 12-16 19-12 4-8 12-3
14-17 21-14 10-17 3-10 6-31 13-6 31-24 28-19 1-10 draw(B)

A – 30-26 draw PP.

B – PP. I have 82 games that continue from here.

Colin Young – Myles Hannigan

11-16 23-18 16-20 24-19 10-14 18-15 7-10 22-17 9-13 27-23 13-22 25-9 5-14 29-25 1-5?(A)
32-27*(B) 8-11(C) 15-8 4-11 25-22?(D) 11-16 22-18 3-7 18-9 5-14 26-22 7-11?(E) 22-18 6-9 30-25
9-13 18-9 11-15 WW

A – Another popular published loss. 3-7 draw PP.

B – 31-27 is a typo in Basic Checkers, and probably draws.

C – 3-7 WW has been played several times.

D – 19-16 WW, J. Denvir – A. Hynd and L. Head – J. Searight, both in the 1905 IM.

E – 14-18!! 22-15 10-14 21-17 14-21 15-11 7-10 31-26 6-9 11-8 9-13 26-22 10-14 22-18 14-17 may
draw!

Jim Morrison – Danny Oliphant

11-16 24-19 8-11 22-18 10-14 26-22 16-20 22-17 7-10 17-13(A) 3-7* 28-24(B) 11-16?(C) 31-26
4-8 25-22 14-17 21-14 10-17 18-15?(D) 7-10 15-11?(E) 8-15 23-18 16-23 18-11 10-14 26-19 17-26
30-23 14-18(F) 23-14 9-18 29-25 5-9 19-15 6-10 15-6 1-10 13-6 2-9 24-19 10-14 11-7 18-23 27-18
14-23 draw

A – 30-26 draw PP, as in the next game.

B – Varies from M. Hannigan – C. Young, above.

C – This is a published loss. 4-8 31-26 12-16 draw in Lees' Guide, p.26 v.2.

D – 29-25 WW, T. Cowie, *Kear's Encyclopedia* p.113 v.25.

E – 29-25 17-21 32-28 White is better.

F – 14-17 is probably stronger, but it is a draw.

Danny Oliphant – Jim Morrison

11-16 24-19 8-11 22-18 10-14 26-22 16-20 22-17 7-10 30-26 4-8?(A) 19-15 10-19 17-10 6-22 23-7
3-10 25-18 10-14?(B) 26-23 8-11 29-25 1-6 25-22 6-10 28-24 2-7 24-19 9-13(C) 18-9 5-14 22-18
14-17 21-14 10-17 19-15 11-16 15-11(D) 7-10 11-7 17-22 7-2 22-25 2-6 25-29 6-15 29-25 WW

A – Weak. 11-16 draw PP.

B – 8-11 29-25 1-6 or 2-7 are suggested as possible draws in *Kear's Encyclopedia* p.112 note T, but they are both difficult and may lose. Instead of 1-6 or 2-7, 10-15 25-22 2-7 may draw.

C – 11-16 WW, D. Allen – K. Williams, 1978 U.S. Nat. from 11-16 23-18 10-14.

D – 18-14 16-19 23-16 12-19 WW, A. Davis – R. Yates, 1887, *Yates Checker Player* from 10-14 22-18 11-16 and C. Stoddard – H. Lieberman, 1912 ACA Nat. from 10-14 24-19 11-16.

Bagtiyar Durdyev – Shane McCosker

11-15 23-18 9-14 18-9 5-14 22-17 12-16?(A) 24-19 16-23 27-9 6-22 25-11 8-15 21-17 4-8 29-25
8-11 25-22 15-19 32-27(B) 10-14(C) 17-10 7-14 27-23 3-7 23-16 11-20 26-23 7-11 22-18 1-5 18-9
5-14 23-19 20-24 19-15 11-18 28-19 18-23 19-16 2-7 16-12 14-17 12-8 7-11 8-3 11-16 draw

A – Somewhat weak. 8-11 draw PP.

B – 22-18 2-6* draws in *Basic Checkers*.

C – 11-15 draw, W. Ryan – N. Rubin, 1935 match g.9.

Shane McCosker – Bagtiyar Durdyev

11-15 23-18 9-14 18-11 8-15 22-17(A) 6-9(B) 17-13 1-6 25-22 14-17 21-14 9-25 29-22 4-8
24-19(C) 15-24 28-19(D) 8-11(E) 22-18 11-15 18-11 7-23 27-18(F) 3-7 26-22 10-14 18-9 5-14
31-27 7-11 22-18 14-23 27-18 6-9 13-6 2-9 draw

A – 22-18 draw PP.

B – = 11-15 23-18 10-14 18-11 8-15 22-17 6-10. Or 4-8 draw in *Basic Checkers*.

C – 27-23 draw M. Rex – E. Ingram, 1950 U.S. Nat. and M. Tinsley – E. Bruch, 1974 U.S. Nat.

D – = 9-13 23-19 11-16 27-23 10-14 22-17 13-22 25-9 5-14 29-25 16-20 32-27 8-11 19-16 12-19
24-8 4-11 C.R.

E – 10-14 draw PP.

F – 26-19 draw C.R., P. Fondren – R. Boeselt, 1956 U.S. Nat. from 9-13 23-19 10-14.

Mustafa Durdyev – Richard Beckwith

12-16 23-18 16-20 24-19 11-15 18-11 8-24 28-19 9-14 22-17(A) 4-8 25-22 8-12(B) 26-23 7-11
30-26 11-16?(C) 19-15! 10-19 17-10 6-15 23-18 WW(D)

A – 26-23 draw PP.

B – 8-11 draw in *Kear's Encyclopedia*.

C – 11-15 draw, B. Case – N. Rubin, 1930 match.

D – Continue 3-7 (or 1-6 WW, J. Kear – A. Jordan, 1902 English Ty.) 18-11 19-23 (a trick that doesn't quite work) 26-19 (27-18 2-6 WW) 16-23 27-18 7-16 21-17 16-19 31-26 WW, as White

kings and Red does not.

Richard Beckwith – Mustafa Durdyev

12-16 23-18 16-20 24-19 11-15 18-11 7-23(A) 26-19 8-11 30-26(B) 4-8 19-16 2-7 16-12 9-13 28-24
6-9 26-23 9-14(C) 22-18 5-9 25-22 10-15 32-28 15-19?(D) 24-15 13-17 22-6 1-26 18-9 26-30 WW

A – Was a favorite of E. Lowder's.

B – 22-18 draw PP.

C – Or 11-16 22-17 13-22 25-18 8-11 24-19 9-14 18-9 5-14 29-25 11-15 25-22 15-24 23-19 draw.

D – A miscalculated shot. 1-6! 24-19 or 23-19 draw.

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Bagtiyar Durdyev – Colin Young

11-15 22-17 10-14(A) 17-10 7-14 24-19 15-24 28-19 8-11 25-22 6-10 22-18 9-13(B) 18-9 5-14
23-18 14-23 27-18 11-16(C) 26-23! 4-8 29-25 8-11 31-27(D) 2-6 18-15 11-18 23-7 3-10 25-22
16-23 27-18 6-9 32-27?(E) 12-16?(F) 27-24 16-20 24-19 20-24 18-15 9-14 15-6 1-10 30-26?(G)
24-27 26-23 27-31 22-18 31-27 18-9 27-18 9-5(H) 18-15 19-16 10-14 5-1 14-18 1-5 18-23 5-9 23-26
9-14 26-30(I) 16-12 15-11 14-18 30-25* 18-23(J) 25-22 23-19 22-26 19-24 26-23 RW(K)

A – In the I-D booklets and elsewhere, this opening is #45A: 10-14 22-17 11-15. R. Pask called it Tinsley's Denny, as Tinsley published analysis on it in 1952.

B – R. Pask recommends 11-16 draw PP.

C – 2-6 draw PP.

D – 18-14! White strong, B. Vanderpool – L. Balderson, 1996 I-D.

E – 32-28 draw.

F – 10-14!! 27-23 (18-15 13-17 RW) 1-5 RW, as Red wins a piece.

G – 19-16* draw.

H – 9-6 10-15 19-10 13-17 21-14 18-2 RW, F. Kitchell – M. Polonsky, 1929 Chicago Nat. from 10-14 23-19 11-16 and D. Harwood – R. Pask, 2002 match g.1 C.R. from 11-16 22-18 16-20.

I – This position has been played several times.

J – Or 18-14 RW, First Position with two extra pieces.

K – Second Position, continue 24-28 23-19 28-32 19-24 32-28 11-16 RW.

Colin Young – Bagtiyar Durdyev

11-15 22-17 10-14 17-10 7-14 24-19 15-24 28-19 8-11 25-22 4-8(A) 22-18(B) 9-13 18-9 5-14 26-22
6-10 22-18 1-5 18-9 5-14 23-18(C) 14-23 27-18 2-7(D) 31-27 13-17(E) 21-14 10-17 29-25!(F)
17-22?(G) 25-21?(H) 11-16 19-15 16-19 21-17 7-11 draw

A – Seems to be new. Nemesis suspects that it draws.

B – This may be strongest.

C – 29-25 11-16 25-22 White strong, and maybe a WW?

D – 11-16 is easier.

E – 10-15 may be easier.

F – Sets a trap.

G – 11-16 draws.

H – 27-24!! 22-29 24-20 7-10 32-27 3-7 27-24 WW!!

Clayton Nash – William Docherty

11-16 23-18 7-11 22-17(A) 3-7(B) 17-13(C) 16-19(D) 24-15 10-19 25-22 9-14??(E) 18-9 5-14 13-9 6-13 WW

A – 18-15 draw PP.

B – Or 11-15 draw PP.

C – Or 25-22 draw PP.

D – May be interesting. 11-15 draw, M. Tinsley – E. Lowder, 1982 Southern Open.

E – 7-10 draw.

William Docherty – Clayton Nash

11-16 23-18 7-11 22-17 3-7 17-13 16-19 24-15 10-19 25-22 11-15(A) 18-11 8-15 27-24 7-10(B) 30-25(C) 4-8 32-27 2-7 22-18 15-22 24-15 10-19 25-18 12-16 18-15 7-10 21-17 16-20 27-23 8-12 23-16 10-19 16-11 19-24 28-19 9-14 17-10 6-24 11-7 24-28 7-3 28-32 3-7 20-24 29-25 12-16 25-21 32-28 26-22 24-27 31-24 28-19 7-11 16-20 22-17 20-24 13-9 5-14 17-10 draw(D)

A – Varies from the previous game.

B – This position occurred in T. Reno – B. Boatright, 1982 U.S. Nat. from 11-16 22-17 7-11.

C – Boatright moved 29-25.

D – Good game, probably original from the previous note.

Shane McCosker – Richard Beckwith

11-16 24-19 16-20 22-18 10-14 25-22(A) 8-11 19-15 4-8 22-17 9-13 17-10 7-14 18-9 5-14 29-25 11-18 26-22 3-7(B) 22-15 7-10 23-19 2-7 31-26 1-5 26-23 20-24 27-20 7-11 30-26 11-27 32-23 6-9 19-16 12-19 23-16 10-15(C) 16-12 15-18 12-3 13-17 25-22(D) 18-25 3-7 25-30 28-24 30-23 24-19 23-16 20-11 17-22 7-10 14-17 21-14 9-18 10-14 draw(E)

A – 26-22 draw PP.

B – Or 2-7 draw PP.

C – 14-18 draw PP.

D – 20-16 draw, W. Ryan – W. Hellman, 1949 WCM g.48.

E – A nice vary from the Ryan – Hellman ending.

Richard Beckwith – Shane McCosker

11-16 24-19 16-20 23-18 10-14 26-23 8-11 22-17 7-10 30-26 11-16 26-22 9-13 18-9 5-14 22-18 13-22 18-9 6-13 25-18 2-6(A) 18-15 3-8 29-25 8-11 15-8 4-11 25-22 11-15 28-24 6-9 23-18 16-23 18-11 23-26(B) 22-18 26-30 24-19 10-14 18-15(C) 1-5 draw

A – 4-8 draw PP.

B – 10-14 draw, *Kear's Encyclopedia*, p.110 v.14.

C – 11-7 draw, J. Searight – R. Stewart, 1899 Scottish Ty.

Jim Morrison – Ron King

9-14 24-20 5-9 22-18 11-16 20-11 8-22 25-18 4-8 29-25 8-11 25-22 10-15 27-24(A) 7-10 32-27(B)
3-7 24-19 15-24 27-20 11-16 20-11 7-16 28-24 16-19 24-15 10-19 23-16 12-19 26-23 19-26 30-23
2-7 31-27 7-11 27-24 draw(C)

A – Or 28-24 draw PP.

B – May be new. 24-20 draw PP, including A. Moiseyev – R. King, 2003 WCM g.11, shown in *Sixth*.

C – Coincidentally, the game has converged upon J. Nelson – E. Fuller, 1986 Southern Open C.R. from 10-14 22-17 14-18.

Ron King – Jim Morrison

9-14 24-20 5-9 22-18 11-16 20-11 8-22 25-18 4-8 28-24(A) 8-11 24-19(B) 11-16 29-25 7-11 25-22
3-8(C) 27-24 16-20 32-28 20-27 31-24 11-16 19-15 10-19 24-15 6-10 15-6 1-10 18-15 10-19 22-17
8-11 17-10 19-24(D) 28-19 11-15 21-17 15-24 17-13(E) 16-20(F) 13-6 2-9 draw

A – More popular. Nemesis' opening book recommends 27-24.

B – = 9-14 24-19 5-9 22-18 11-15 18-11 8-24 28-19 4-8 25-22 8-11 22-18. 29-25 draw PP.

C – 10-15 draw PP.

D – Or 11-15 or others draw PP.

E – Or 23-19 draw, W. Bryden – A. Jordan, 1894 Scotland vs. England and R. King – P. McCarthy, 1997 match g.21.

F – 24-27 draw, L. Ginsberg – H. Henderson, 1915 ACA Nat.

Mustafa Durdyev – Myles Hannigan

11-15 24-20 8-11 28-24 4-8 23-19 12-16 19-12 15-18 22-15 10-28 25-22(A) 11-15 27-23(B) 8-11
29-25 6-10 23-18(C) 1-6 31-27(D) 9-13(E) 18-14?(F) 10-17 21-14 15-19 27-23 19-24 23-19
13-17(G) 22-13 24-27 32-23 6-9 13-6 2-27 26-22 7-10?(H) 19-16 11-15 22-17 27-31 16-11 15-19
11-7 19-23 7-2 28-32 25-21 31-27 17-13 10-15 21-17 15-19 30-25 23-26 25-21 27-23 13-9 5-14
17-10 19-24 2-6 draw(I)

A – Fairly popular, but 21-17 is recommended in *Basic Checkers*.

B – 26-23 draw PP.

C – 21-17 draw, B. Woolhouse – R. Martins, *Robertson's Guide*, p.7 v.48.

D – 26-23 seems much easier.

E – Threatens 13-17.

F – 21-17 may draw.

G – 11-16, before doing this, may be an even easier RW.

H – 27-31 wins easily.

I – White may push the piece on 20.

Myles Hannigan – Mustafa Durdyev

11-15 24-20 8-11 28-24 4-8 23-19 15-18 22-15 11-18 32-28(A) 10-14 draw(B)

A – 26-22 draw PP.

B – PP.

Danny Oliphant – Frank Bednall

11-16 24-20 16-19 23-16 12-19 22-18 9-14 18-9 5-14 25-22 8-12(A) 22-17 10-15(B) 17-10 7-14
30-25(C) 6-10 26-22 1-6 22-18 14-23 27-11 3-8 11-7 2-11 21-17 19-23 25-21 11-16 20-11 8-15
17-14 10-17 21-14 15-18 29-25 12-16 28-24 16-20 24-19 23-27 32-23 18-27 31-24 20-27 draw

A – 10-15 draw PP.

B – 4-8 draw PP.

C – 29-25, E. Hewitt – R. Ward, 1909 English Ty.

Frank Bednall – Danny Oliphant

11-16 24-20 16-19 23-16 12-19 22-18 9-14 18-9 5-14 27-23(A) 8-12 23-16 12-19 32-27(B) 4-8
25-22?(C) 10-15 29-25(D) 6-10 27-24 8-12(E) 22-17 14-18(F) 17-14 10-17 21-14 2-6(G) 20-16
7-11?(H) 16-7 3-17 25-22 18-25 30-14 1-5 14-10 WW(I)

A – "Inferior," R. Fortman in *Basic Checkers*.

B – Or 31-27 W. Bryden – J. Kear, 1894 Scotland vs. England, probably to the next note.

C – This may lose. 27-23 draw, G. Bailey – P. Fondren, 1956 U.S. Nat.

D – 22-17 lost, R. King – C. McCarrick, 2001 English Open.

E – 14-18 22-17 18-23 Red strong, and maybe a RW.

F – 1-6! Red strong.

G – 18-23 is much stronger, but probably draws.

H – 1-5 16-11 7-16 14-10 seems to draw.

I – White wins the piece on 15.

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Frank Bednall – Colin Young

11-16 23-19 16-23(A) 27-18??(B) 12-16(C) 26-23 8-12?(D) 24-19(E) 4-8 18-15??(F) 9-14 31-27
14-18 23-14 16-23 27-18 10-26 30-23 7-10 23-19 12-16(G) 19-12 10-19(H) 18-15 19-23 25-22
23-26 22-18 26-30 29-25 2-7 28-24 30-26 21-17 26-23 25-21 23-14 17-10 7-14 24-19 6-10 15-6
1-10 RW

A – Another of the new, difficult openings.

B – A published loss.

C – = 12-16 23-19 16-23 27-18 11-16 RW.

D – 16-20 is the win in *Cayton's Compilation of the Barred Openings*.

E – 30-26 draw, E. Lowder – R. Hallett, 2004 U.S. Nat., which will be shown later in the ACFB.

F – Looks really bad. 22-17 or 30-26 seem to draw.

G – Others win.

H – White has no hope.

Colin Young – Frank Bednall

11-16 23-19 16-23 27-18?? 12-16 22-17 9-14?(A) 18-9 5-14 25-22 8-11??(B) 22-18 14-23 26-12
11-15 30-26 4-8 32-27 8-11 29-25 6-9 26-23 9-14 25-22 1-5 17-13?(C) 14-18 23-14 10-26 31-22
11-16 22-17 2-6(D) 24-20 16-19 20-16 15-18 27-24 19-23 24-20 23-27 16-11 7-16 20-11 27-31
17-14(E) 31-26 21-17 26-22 11-7 3-10 14-7 22-25 7-3 25-21 17-14 21-17 3-8 17-10 8-11 18-23 12-8
23-26 8-3 26-31 draw(F)

A – A draw in Shearer’s Handbook. 16-20 is the win in *Cayton’s Compilation*.

B – 16-20 draw, J. Wyllie – J. Ferrie, 1894 WCM g.72.

C – 24-20 2-6 23-19 WW?

D – Good move.

E – 11-8 31-26 8-4 26-23 4-8 18-22 8-11 23-18 11-16 22-26 28-24 26-31 16-19 looks like a draw to me.

F – Well-played by Red after the bad opening.

Clayton Nash – Danny Oliphant

11-16 23-18 16-20 24-19 10-14 26-23 8-11 22-17 7-10 30-26 11-16 26-22 9-13 18-9 5-14 22-18
13-22 18-9 6-13 25-18 4-8 29-25 8-11 18-14(A) 10-17 21-14 13-17 25-22 17-26 31-22 1-6 22-18
6-10 14-7 3-10 28-24 2-7 32-28 10-14 18-9 7-10 9-6 10-14 19-15(B) 11-18 6-2 18-22 2-6 22-26 6-9
14-17 23-19 16-32 9-13 20-27 13-24 12-16 draw(C)

A – 18-15 draw PP.

B – Or 6-2 14-18 draw, G. Buchanan, in *Lees’ Guide*, p.253.

C – J. Murray, *Kear’s Encyclopedia*, p.110 v.13, and played more than a dozen times since, by folks like Jordan-Lewis, Horr-Long, Ginsberg-Gonotsky, Lieber-Gonotsky, Long-Hunt, Cohen-Levy, Banks-Tinsley, Hellman – Loew, Tinsley-Davis, and others.

Danny Oliphant – Clayton Nash

11-16 23-18 16-20 24-19 10-14 26-23 8-11 22-17 7-10 30-26 11-16 28-24 4-8(A) 26-22(B) 9-13?(C)
18-9 5-14 19-15(D) 10-26 17-10 6-15 22-17 13-22 25-4 26-30 4-8 WW(E)

A – 9-13 draw PP.

B – 32-28 draw PP.

C – 3-7 draw, J. Wyllie – C. F. Barker, 1882 WCM g.13.

D – Left here as a WW, W. Leggett and C. Powell, *Lees’ Guide*, p.26 note r.

E – Another game that has been played several times.

Shane McCosker – Mustafa Durdyev

11-16 23-18 10-14 18-15 16-20(A) 22-17(B) 7-10?(C) 25-22 10-19 24-15 14-18 30-25(D) 3-7?(E)
17-14! 12-16 22-17 16-19 14-10!(F) 7-14 17-10 20-24 27-20 18-23 26-22 23-26 20-16 8-12 16-11
26-30 10-7 30-26 7-3 26-17 21-14 9-18 3-7 18-23(G) 7-10 5-9 WW

A – 16-19 draw PP.

B – Or 24-19 draw PP.

C – Weak. 7-11 draw PP.

D – 29-25! may win?, E. Bruch – M. Krantz, 1958 U.S. Nat.
E – This may lose. 12-16 and/or 2-7 may draw.
F – Wins with style.
G – 5-9! sets a trap: 7-3 (7-10? 9-14!! 10-17 2-7 draw) 18-23 3-7! 4-8 WW.

Mustafa Durdyev – Shane McCosker
11-16 23-18 10-14 26-23 16-20(A) 24-19(B) 8-11 22-17 7-10 draw(C)

A – 7-10 draw PP.
B – 22-17 draw PP.
C – PP, I have 594 games that continue from here.

Jim Morrison – William Docherty
12-16 24-20 10-15(A) 22-18 15-22 25-18 6-10?(B) 28-24(C) 8-12(D) 18-14(E) 9-18 23-14 10-17
21-14 4-8(F) 24-19(G) 16-23 27-18 1-6 29-25 6-9 26-23 12-16 14-10 7-14 18-15 11-27 20-4 2-7
31-24 14-17 24-19 9-14 19-16 5-9 16-12 17-22 25-18 14-23 12-8(H) 3-12 4-8 9-14 8-3 7-10 3-7
23-27 32-23 14-18 draw

A – Another new opening.
B – 8-12 is the easiest draw. It's amazing how few players prepare for these tough openings.
C – As far as I know, 27-24 is still a WW.
D – Back to a published draw.
E – 24-19 PP is stronger.
F – 3-8 29-25 1-6 easy draw in R. Pask's *Golden Dozen*.
G – 26-23 draw, J. Sturges, 1800 g.13 v.2. 29-25 may be a little stronger.
H – Or 32-28 draw.

William Docherty – Jim Morrison
12-16 24-20 10-15 22-18 15-22 25-18 6-10? 28-24 10-15 30-25(A) 15-22 25-18 7-10 26-22 10-15
32-28?(B) 15-19(C) 24-15 9-14 18-9 11-25 29-22 5-14 20-11 8-15 27-24(D) 4-8 24-19?(E) 15-24
28-19 8-11 22-18 1-5 18-9 5-14 31-26 3-8 26-22 2-6 22-17 6-10 17-13 8-12(F) 13-9 11-15 9-6 15-24
6-2 24-28(G) 2-6 10-15 6-9 14-17* 21-14 12-16 RW

A – Draw, *Kear's Encyclopedia*, p.68 note K.
B – 21-17 or 29-25 are stronger.
C – Is it legal to turn the tables on your opponent?
D – 22-17 may be an easier draw.
E – 24-20 8-11 23-19 draw.
F – This position has come up before.
G – 10-15 RW, L. Ginsberg – A. Long, 1922 ACA Nat. from 12-16 22-17 16-20 or 24-27 RW, W.
Ryan – Griffen, 1934 ACA Nat. from 11-16 22-18 16-19.

Myles Hannigan – Richard Beckwith

9-13 24-19 10-14 22-18 5-9 25-22 6-10 27-24(A) 1-5 30-25(B) 11-15 18-11 8-15 32-27(C) 7-11 22-18 15-22 25-18 3-7 18-15(D) 11-18 19-16 12-19 24-6 14-17 21-14 18-22 26-17 9-18 23-14 2-18 17-14 13-17(E) 28-24 18-22 24-19(F) 17-21 19-15 7-11 15-8 4-11 14-10 21-25 10-7 25-30 7-2 11-16 2-7 16-20 7-10 5-9 10-15 30-25 15-19 25-21 19-24 21-17 24-28 9-13 28-32 17-14 27-24 20-27 32-23 14-17 23-27 draw

A – 28-24 draw PP.

B – 19-15 draw PP or 32-27 draw PP.

C – = 9-13 24-19 6-9 27-24 9-14 22-18 5-9 25-22 1-5 32-27 11-15 18-11 8-15 30-25. 22-17 draw, W. Schumann – T. Sheehan, 1992 I-D.

D – 19-15 draw, W. Hellman – D. Oldbury, 1965 WCM g.5.

E – 18-22 draw, W. Hellman, Tribute to Paxton.

F – Draw, M. Bryant – J. Anderson, 1994 British Masters Postal Ty.

Richard Beckwith – Myles Hannigan

9-13 24-19 10-14 22-18 5-9 25-22 6-10 29-25 2-6 18-15 11-18 22-15 7-11 23-18 14-23 27-18 12-16 19-12 10-19 32-27 11-16 18-14(A) 9-18 26-23(B) 19-26 30-14 1-5 25-22 8-11 31-26 16-20 26-23 11-16 23-18?(C) 3-7 18-15 6-9 22-18 16-19 12-8 4-11 15-8 7-11 14-10 19-23 28-24 23-32 24-19 9-14 18-9 5-14 8-3 11-15 19-16 15-19 16-11 14-18 RW

A – 27-23 draw PP.

B – Draw, Tinsley and Lafferty, BC vol. 1, p.49 note E.

C – 28-24 draw.

Bagtiyar Durdyev – Ron King

10-14 22-18 11-16 26-22(A) 8-11(B) 22-17 16-20(C) 17-10 7-14(D) 25-22 4-8 24-19 2-7?(E) 30-25 11-16 28-24 8-11 22-17 6-10 17-13 1-6 31-26 11-15(F) 18-2 14-18 23-7 16-30 24-19 3-10 2-7 10-14 19-15 WW

A – = 11-16 23-18 10-14 26-23.

B – 7-10 draw.

C – *Basic Checkers* gives 7-10? to almost lose.

D – Or 6-22 draw PP.

E – Loses. 6-10 seems to draw, R. Mason – C. Binsack, 1950 U.S. Nat.

F – Everything else loses.

Ron King – Bagtiyar Durdyev

10-14 22-18 11-16 25-22 8-11(A) 24-19(B) 7-10(C) 30-25(D) 3-7(E) 28-24 16-20 32-28(F) 11-16 22-17 9-13 18-9 13-22*(G) 25-18 5-14(H) 18-9 6-13 19-15 10-19 24-15 16-19(I) 23-16 12-19 29-25 4-8(J) 25-22 7-11(K) 22-18 1-6 27-23(L) 11-16 21-17 13-22 26-17 19-26 31-22 8-12 17-14 16-19?(M) 15-10?(N) 6-15 18-11 19-23 14-10 23-26 22-17 26-30 17-13 30-26 10-6 2-9 13-6 26-23 11-7 23-19 7-2 20-24 6-1 24-27 1-5 27-31 5-1 12-16 1-5 16-20 5-1 20-24 2-6 24-27 6-2 27-32 1-5 31-27 5-1 27-23 1-5 23-18 draw

A – 16-20 draw PP.
 B – 24-20 draw PP.
 C – Or 16-20 draw PP or 4-8 draw PP.
 D – 27-24 draw PP.
 E – Or 16-20 draw PP.
 F – 22-17 draw PP.
 G – 5-14? should lose, E. Lowder – H. Cravens, 1969 match, shown in my book, *The Magical Checker Play* of Elbert Lowder.
 H – 6-13 should draw, J. Swift – L. Dibble, 1982 U.S. Nat. from 10-14 24-19 7-10.
 I – 4-8 draw, R. Atkins – E. Thacker, 1970 U.S. Nat. from 10-14 22-18 7-10.
 J – = 11-16 24-19 8-11 22-18 10-14 26-22 16-20 22-17 7-10 30-26 11-16 28-24 9-13 18-9 13-22 25-18 5-14 18-9 6-13 32-28 4-8 19-15 10-19 24-15 16-19 23-16 12-19 29-25 3-7. 1-6 draw, B. Lucas – G. Buckby, 2003 English Open.
 K – 1-6 to same.
 L – 26-23 draw, C. Horsfall – H. Christie, 1891 English Ty.
 M – 20-24 draw, *Kear's Encyclopedia*, p.113 note F and M. Tinsley – M. Chamblee, 1947 match g.1 and others.
 N – 22-17*!! 19-23 17-13* 23-26 14-9* WW, Blaisdell – C. Hefter, *Kear's Encyclopedia* p.113 note F, and verified by Chinook.

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Ron King – Richard Beckwith

9-14 22-18 10-15 18-9 5-14 25-22 7-10 30-25(A) 15-18 22-15 11-18 24-19 3-7 28-24(B) 8-11?(C) 32-28 11-16(D) 24-20?(E) 14-17! 20-11 7-16 21-7 2-11 23-14 16-30 25-21 12-16 21-17(F) 16-19 17-13 1-5 13-9*!! 6-13 14-10 5-9 10-7 9-14 7-3 11-15 3-7 14-18 27-24 13-17 7-11 19-23 11-16 18-22 24-20 30-25 16-11 15-18 11-15 23-26 15-10 25-21?(G) 10-14 18-23 20-16?(H) 23-27 31-24 26-31 16-11 31-27 24-20 22-26 29-25(I) 21-30 14-21 26-31 20-16 27-23 11-7(J) 23-18 7-3 18-14 16-11 14-10 11-7 4-8 3-12 10-3 21-17(K) 30-26 17-14 3-7 12-8 31-27 14-9 26-23 9-6 7-3 8-12 23-19 6-10 27-23 10-6 3-7 6-1 23-18 1-6 18-15 6-1 7-10 1-5* 10-6 5-1 15-10 1-5* 6-1 12-8* 19-15 8-12 15-11 28-24 10-15 5-9 draw

A – 29-25 draw PP.
 B – 26-22 draw PP.
 C – 7-11 has a star in *Basic Checkers*. So far, study suggests that this 8-11 loses.
 D – 4-8 White strong, and maybe a WW.
 E – 25-22 White strong and may be a WW.
 F – 27-24 may be easier. But then we wouldn't see the following nice ending.
 G – 18-23 10-14 17-21 14-18 23-27 draw.
 H – 14-18! 21-25 18-27 26-30 27-23 WW.
 I – Safe enough. Red could have offered a draw at any time from here on.
 J – I prefer 28-24.
 K – 28-24 30-26 (3-7 12-16 draw) 24-19 26-22 19-15 22-18 (3-7 15-11 draw) 15-10 draw, looks easy. Beckwith was probably confident of a draw his way, all along.

Richard Beckwith – Ron King

9-14 22-18 10-15 18-9 5-14 25-22 15-19 24-15 11-25 29-22 6-10 28-24(A) 8-11 22-17(B) 4-8(C) 26-22 10-15 17-10 7-14 23-18(D) 14-23 27-18 12-16 24-20 8-12 18-14 16-19 30-26 3-7 22-17 11-16 20-11 7-16 17-13(E) 19-24 26-22 16-19 21-17 19-23 32-28 24-27!(F) 31-24 23-26 24-19 15-24 28-19 26-30 19-15 30-25 22-18 25-22 14-10 12-16 18-14 22-18 15-11 18-9 13-6 2-9(G) 10-7 9-13 17-14 13-17 11-8 17-22 8-4 22-26 4-8 16-20 8-11 20-24 11-16 26-31 7-2 24-27 14-10 27-32 10-7 32-28 7-3 28-32 3-7 draw

A – "Apparently weak," J. Childers. I don't think it is weak, but 22-18 draw PP may just be a little stronger.

B – 24-20 should draw PP, including R. King – H. Cravens, 1992 Nat.

C – 11-15 draw PP.

D – 31-26 may be interesting.

E – 32-28 1-6! 26-22 15-18! 22-15 6-10 draw.

F – Again, correctly choosing to go a piece down.

G – King again tries to put his opponent to sleep.

Jim Morrison – Myles Hannigan

11-16 22-18 8-11 24-19(A) 10-14 26-22 16-20 22-17 7-10 30-26 11-16 28-24(B) 9-13 18-9 13-22 25-18 5-14 18-9 6-13 32-28 4-8(C) 19-15 10-19 24-15 16-19 23-16 12-19 29-25 1-6(D) 25-22 3-7 22-18 7-11 26-23(E) 19-26 31-22 2-7 28-24 7-10 24-19 10-14 18-2 11-25 2-7 25-30 7-10(F) 30-26 19-16(G) 8-12 10-15?(H) 12-19 15-24 26-23 27-18 20-27 RW

A – 25-22 draw PP.

B – 26-22 draw PP.

C – 10-14 draw PP.

D – 3-7 draw PP.

E – 27-23 draw PP.

F – 19-15 draw, C. Horsfall – H. Christie, 1891 English Ty.

G – 10-15 draw, J. Gall – A. Jordan, 1903 Scottish Ty.

H – A loss by First Position.

Myles Hannigan – Jim Morrison

11-16 22-18 8-11 24-19 4-8 18-14 9-18 23-14 10-17 21-14 16-23 27-18 11-16(A) 28-24 8-11 25-21(B) 6-9(C) 31-27(D) 16-20 29-25(E) 1-6 26-23 11-15(F) 18-11 9-18 23-14 7-16 30-26 3-7(G) 26-23 6-9 21-17 9-18 23-14 2-6 17-13 6-10 25-21 10-17 21-14 7-11 14-10(H) 11-15 10-7 15-18(I) 7-2 18-22 2-7 22-26 7-10 26-31 10-14 16-19 24-15 31-24 14-18 12-16(J) 15-10 16-19* 18-22 19-23* 22-18 24-27* draw(K)

A – 12-16 draw PP, perhaps to same.

B – 26-23 draw PP.

C – 16-20 draw PP.

D – 29-25 draw PP.

E – 26-23 draw PP.

F – 11-16 draw PP.

G – Or 6-10 draw PP or 2-7 draw PP.

H – Or 13-9 draw PP.

I – Easier is 16-19 draw, F. Tescheleit – A. Jordan, *Kear's Encyclopedia* p.95 v.1.

J – 24-19 15-10 20-24 10-7 12-16 7-2 24-27? (16-20* draw) 32-23 19-26 18-15 26-31 2-7 31-27 7-11 16-20 15-19 27-32 11-15 32-28 15-18 28-32 18-23 32-28 WW, J. Thorn – O. Keen, 1960 U.S. Nat.

K – A nice finish.

Clayton Nash – Colin Young

10-15 22-18 15-22 25-18 11-15 18-11 8-15 29-25 9-13(A) 25-22 4-8 24-19(B) 15-24 28-19 8-11 27-24(C) 6-10(D) 32-28(E) 2-6 24-20(F) 5-9 23-18(G) 10-15 19-10 7-23 26-19 9-14(H) 30-26 6-10 26-23 11-15 draw(I)

A – = 10-15 22-18 15-22 25-18 9-13 29-25 11-15 18-11 8-15. 4-8 draw PP.

B – 23-18 draw PP.

C – Or 22-18 draw PP.

D – = 11-15 23-18 9-14 18-11 8-15 22-18 15-22 25-9 5-14 29-25 4-8 25-22 8-11 27-23 6-9 24-20 C.R.

E – 24-20 draw PP.

F – 23-18 draw C.R., D. Oldbury – V. Monteiro, 1964 U.S. Nat. from 11-15 23-18 9-14.

G – 31-27 draw, J. Waters, *Kear's Encyclopedia*, p.240 note U, from 10-15 23-19 6-10.

H – 3-7 draw, T. Lavery – B. Lucas, 2001 IM.

I – E. Langdon – A. Long, 1954 U.S. Nat. C.R. from 9-14 23-19 11-16 and E. Fuller – P. Fondren, 1984 Southern Open, not C.R. Sometimes an entire game can be annotated just by searching for published play on the computer.

Colin Young – Clayton Nash

10-15 22-18 15-22 25-18 11-15 18-11 8-15 21-17 4-8 17-13 8-11(A) 29-25 9-14 25-21(B) 6-10 24-20 1-6!(C) 28-24(D) 14-17! 21-14 10-17 26-22(E) 17-26 31-22 3-8(F) 23-18 7-10 27-23 10-14 18-9 5-14 23-19 15-18 22-15 11-18 19-15 2-7 13-9(G) 6-13 15-10 7-11 10-7 11-15 7-2 8-11 2-6 12-16 6-2 draw(H)

A – 9-14 draw PP, perhaps to same.

B – 24-20 draw PP.

C – 15-18 draw, V. Adams – R. Munzinger, 1968 U.S. Nat.

D – 27-24 may be easier?

E – Also difficult is 23-19 draw, J. Ferrie – L. Ginsberg, 1927 IM from 9-13 22-17 13-22.

F – Or 7-10 23-18 10-14 may go to the same.

G – 30-26 14-17 26-23 draws, too.

H – Good game.

Bagtiyar Durdyev – Frank Bednall

11-16 23-18 8-11 24-20(A) 4-8(B) 26-23?(C) 16-19 23-16 12-19 22-17 9-14 18-9 5-14 30-26?(D) 8-12 26-22 11-15 27-24 19-23 24-19 15-24 28-19 23-26 17-13 14-17 21-14 10-17 25-21 26-30 21-14 30-26 RW

A – = 12-16 24-20 8-12 23-18.

B – 16-19 draw PP.

C – Weak. 28-24 draw. *Kear's Encyclopedia* suggests 22-17 or 18-15 to draw.

D – Seems to lose. 17-13 and/or 25-22 may draw. 25-22 without 17-13 drew, T. Balantine – G. Buchanan, 1897 Scottish Ty. from 11-15 24-20 8-11.

Frank Bednall – Bagtiyar Durdyev

11-16 23-18 8-11 26-23(A) 3-8(B) 24-19 16-20(C) 30-26(D) 9-14(E) 18-9 5-14 19-16(F) 12-19 23-16 8-12 27-23 12-19 23-16 11-15 22-17 7-11 16-7 2-11 17-13 4-8 25-22 8-12 26-23 11-16 22-17 16-19 23-16 12-19 32-27 19-24 28-19 15-24 27-23 24-27 31-24 20-27 29-25 27-31 25-22 31-27 22-18 6-9 13-6 1-5 18-9 27-18 WW(G)

A – 18-14 draw PP.

B – 16-20 draw PP.

C – 11-15 draw PP.

D – 22-17 may be strong, P. Breen – F. McNally, 2003 English Open.

E – Or 11-15 draw, J. Moir – W. K. Campbell, 1901 Scottish Ty.

F – 22-18 draw, C. Oliff – L. Dibble, 1958 U.S. Nat. from 11-16 23-18 7-11.

G – Continue 17-14 10-17 21-14 18-22 draw.

Shane McCosker – Danny Oliphant

11-16 24-20 16-19 23-16 12-19 22-18 9-14 18-9 5-14 25-22 8-12(A) 22-17 4-8 29-25 8-11 17-13(B) 11-15(C) 27-24 14-18(D) 21-17 1-5(E) 25-21(F) 18-22 17-14 10-17 21-14 22-25 30-21 6-9 13-6 2-18 21-17?(G) 18-22?(H) 17-14 22-25 31-27?(I) 25-29 26-22 29-25 22-18 15-22 24-15 22-26 draw?(J)

A – 8-11 22-17 4-8 29-25 8-12 = same. Or 10-15 draw PP.

B – 27-24 draw PP, to same.

C – 10-15 may be stronger.

D – 3-8 draw, A. Anderson.

E – 3-8 draw, C. Horsfal – J. Smith, 1876 match g.3.

F – "Weak; 31-27 draws easily," A. Long.

G – 31-27! should draw, E. Ingram – V. Monteiro, 1972 U.S. Nat.

H – 18-23! 26-22 23-26 22-18 15-22 24-15 26-30 17-14 30-25 31-27 22-26 = same, RW.

I – 20-16 25-29 16-11 draw.

J – Continue 15-10 (15-11 RW, Chinook) 25-22 10-6 22-17 6-2 RW, Chinook.

Danny Oliphant – Shane McCosker

11-16 24-20 16-19 23-16 12-19 22-18 9-14 18-9 5-14 25-22 8-11 27-23(A) 4-8 23-16 8-12 32-27 12-19 27-23 3-8 23-16 8-12 31-27 12-19 27-23 11-16 20-11 7-16 22-18 1-5 18-9 5-14 29-25 10-15 25-22 6-10(B) draw(C)

A – 22-17 draw PP.

B – 15-18 22-15 14-17 21-14 6-10 draw, R. Martins – J. Wyllie, 1864 WCM g.38.

C – A. McDougall – L. L. Hall, 1966 U.S. Nat.

William Docherty – Mustafa Durdyev

9-13 23-18 12-16 24-20 10-15(A) 21-17(B) 16-19 17-14 6-9 27-24 8-12(C) 25-21 1-6(D) 32-27
12-16 27-23(E) 7-10 14-7 3-10 22-17 13-22 26-17 19-26 30-23 15-22 24-19 9-14 19-12 11-15 28-24
6-9 23-19?(F) 9-13 19-16 14-18?(G) 17-14 10-17 21-14 draw

A – 16-19 is most popular.

B – Symmetric.

C – 1-6 draw PP.

D – 12-16 draw PP.

E – Breaking the symmetry.

F – 17-13 draw PP.

G – 5-9!! 16-11 22-25 29-22 14-18 RW, J. Childers – B. Hiner, *Elam's Checker Board* and P. Fondren – H. A. Owen, 1968 U.S. Nat.

Mustafa Durdyev – William Docherty

9-13 23-18 12-16 18-14 10-17 21-14 6-10 24-20 10-17 25-21 1-6 21-14 6-10(A) 29-25 10-17 25-21
16-19 21-14 11-15(B) 30-25(C) 2-6 25-21 6-10?(D) 27-24?(E) 10-17 21-14 8-11 32-27 4-8 27-23
15-18 22-15 11-27 24-15 7-11 31-24 11-18 14-10 draw(F)

A – 6-9 draw in *Basic Checkers*.

B – 2-6 draw, R. Jordan – J. Ferrie, 1896 WCM g.22.

C – 27-23 draw, A. Schaefer – H. Lieberman, 1915 ACA Nat.

D – 6-9 draw, E. Lowder – L. Cowie, 1978 Lakeside, but White may be strong.

E – 21-17!! WW.

F – Continue 18-22 26-17 13-22 10-6 22-26 6-2 26-31 24-19 31-27 19-15 8-11? (almost anything else draws) 15-8 3-12 2-6 27-23 28-24 WW, C. White – H. Cavill, UK vs. NZ Mail Match 1954.

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Jim Morrison – Clayton Nash

11-15 22-17 8-11 23-19 4-8(A) 17-13 15-18 24-20 9-14 28-24 10-15 19-10 6-15 26-23 15-19 24-15
5-9 13-6 1-26 31-15 11-18 25-22 18-25 29-22 8-11 22-18 14-23 27-18 12-16 21-17(B) 16-19 18-14
7-10 14-7 3-10 draw

A – Old 14th. Jim Morrison had six GAYP openings in eight rounds. While GAYP is his specialty, these openings may have made it impossible to catch Ron King.

B – 32-27 draw, M. Tinsley – L. Levitt, 1950 U.S. Nat.

Clayton Nash – Jim Morrison

11-15 22-17 8-11 23-19 11-16(A) 24-20 16-23 27-11 7-16 20-11 3-7 28-24 7-16 24-20 16-19 25-22
4-8 29-25 10-15 17-13 2-7 21-17 7-10 20-16 19-23 26-19 15-24 22-18 12-19 17-14 10-17 25-22
17-26 30-16 8-12 16-11 6-10 13-6 10-15 6-2 15-22 32-28 24-27 31-24 1-6 2-9 5-14 draw(B)

A – Glasgow.

B – J. Bertie, the trunk game in *Basic Checkers*, also shown in *Kear's Encyclopedia*.

Shane McCosker – Colin Young

10-14 24-19 7-10 22-18(A) 11-16 25-22 8-11 22-17?(B) 9-13 18-9 13-22 26-17 6-22 30-26 5-9
26-17 9-13 17-14 10-17 21-14 13-17 28-24(C) 17-22(D) 24-20 1-6 14-9 6-13 19-15 11-18 23-14 3-8
20-11 8-15 14-9 15-19 9-5 13-17 5-1 17-21 1-5 21-25 5-9 25-30?(E) 9-14 2-6 32-28?(F) 30-25 27-24
19-23 14-17 23-26 17-21 26-30 24-19 6-10 28-24 4-8 31-27 8-11 24-20 11-15 27-24 15-18 20-16
10-15 19-10 12-28 10-6 18-23 6-1 23-27 1-5 27-31 5-9 28-32 9-13 RW

A – 28-24 draw PP.

B – Similar to a Glasgow, C.R., but is a published loss. 27-24 draw PP.

C – 31-26 RW in *Kear's Encyclopedia*.

D – 16-20 31-26 4-8! RW, E. Fuller, C. Crawford, 1974 U.S. Nat.

E – 4-8!! 9-14 2-6!! 14-17 19-24!! 27-20 25-30 RW as White cannot king.

F – 14-17 30-26 17-21 26-30 21-17 draw.

Colin Young – Shane McCosker

10-14 24-19 7-10 draw (I've seen shorter games, but not in three move)

Myles Hannigan – Frank Bednall

11-15 21-17 9-14 17-13 15-19 24-15 10-19 23-16 12-19 25-21 8-11 27-23(A) 4-8(B) 23-16 11-20
26-23(C) 6-10 22-18 8-11 18-9 5-14 23-19?(D) 11-15 29-25(E) 15-24 28-19 14-18 19-16 10-15
21-17 15-19 13-9 18-23 31-26(F) 20-24 17-13 24-27 9-6 2-9 13-6 1-10 16-12 27-31 26-22 7-11
25-21 11-16 RW

A – 22-17 draw PP.

B – 6-10 draw PP.

C – 22-17 draw, L. Taylor – E. Markusic, 1968 U.S. Nat.

D – 13-9 draw.

E – 19-16 may lose?

F – 17-13 19-24 31-26 23-27 RW.

Frank Bednall – Myles Hannigan

11-15 21-17 9-14 25-21 8-11 29-25(A) 4-8(B) 23-19 6-9 17-13 2-6(C) 24-20 15-24 28-19 11-15
27-24 7-11?(D) 22-17* 15-18(E) 26-22*(F) 11-15(G) 20-16 3-7 32-28 7-11(H) 16-7 18-23 7-3 23-27
24-20 15-24 28-19 27-32 31-27 32-16 20-4 12-16 3-7 16-20 4-8 20-24 8-12 24-28 12-16 WW

A – 17-13 draw PP.

B – 11-16 draw PP.

C – Souter.

D – A published loss; 14-17* draw PP.

E – 14-18 is also a published loss. Continue 17-14 10-17 19-10 6-15 21-14 18-22! (others lose)
25-18 15-22 WW, J. Sturges 1800, but I have yet to find a WW.

F – 26-23? draw, J. Sturges.

G – 18-23 WW, J. Drummond, *Lees' Guide*, p.136 note e.

H – 18-23 16-11 WW in *Basic Checkers*.

Bagtiyar Durdyev – William Docherty

9-13 22-18 11-15 18-11 8-15 21-17 13-22 25-11 7-16 24-20 3-8 20-11 8-15 28-24 4-8 24-20 8-11
29-25 5-9 27-24(A) 9-14 32-28 6-9 25-22(B) 1-5 24-19 15-24 28-19 11-15 19-16 12-19 23-16 14-18
16-11(C) 18-25 30-21 15-18(D) 11-8 9-13 8-3 18-22 26-17 13-22(E) 3-8 22-25 8-11 25-30 20-16
30-25 16-12 25-22 12-8 2-6 8-3 6-9 31-27 22-18 27-24 18-22 24-19 10-14 draw

A – 25-22 draw PP.

B – 24-19 draw PP.

C – Or 22-17 draw, W. Van Leer – J. Cox, 1974 U.S. Nat. and C. Brumfiel – P. Fondren, 1982 U.S. Nat.

D – 15-19 draw, K. Hanson – L. Hall, 1966 U.S. Nat.

E – The draw is easy.

William Docherty – Bagtiyar Durdyev

9-13 22-18 11-15 18-11 8-15 21-17 13-22 25-11 7-16 29-25 5-9 24-20(A) 3-8 20-11 8-15 25-22(B)
4-8 28-24 8-11(C) 24-20 1-5(D) 27-24 9-14 32-28 6-9(E) 24-19 15-24 28-19 draw

A – 23-18 draw PP.

B – 26-22 draw PP.

C – 9-13 draw PP.

D – 9-13 draw PP.

E – Back to the above game.

Ron King – Mustafa Durdyev

10-15 22-17 9-13 24-19(A) 15-24 28-19 13-22 25-18(B) 11-15 19-10 6-22 26-17 8-11 23-18(C)
12-16 27-24 16-20 30-26(D) 20-27 31-24 11-16 26-22?(E) draw(F)

A – Rare.

B – = 9-13 22-17 13-22 25-18 10-15 24-19 15-24 28-19 in *Kear's Encyclopedia*. 26-17 Chinook – R. King, 1994 Southern Open.

C – 23-19 draw in KE, p.402 v.30.

D – Bravely going into an interesting ending. 31-27 seems to be easier.

E – This seems to be a loser. Other moves seem to draw, but I suspect that White has to be very careful.

F – The easiest RW seems to be 4-8-11 and 16-20, although Red can also move other pieces off the back row.

Mustafa Durdyev – Ron King

10-15 22-17 9-13 17-14 11-16 23-18(A) 15-22 25-18 16-20(B) 24-19 7-11(C) 27-23(D) 11-15 18-11
8-24 28-19 4-8 29-25 8-11 23-18 11-16 19-15 20-24?(E) 25-22(F) 16-20?(G) 15-10 6-15 18-11
12-16 14-9 5-14 22-18 14-23 26-12 1-6 11-8 6-10 30-26 10-14 WW(H)

A – 21-17 draw PP.

B – 6-9 draw PP.

C – May be weak. 8-11 then probably 29-25 draw PP, with quite a bit of published play from a

variety of openings, including *Kear's Encyclopedia*, p.218 v.19, and J. P. Reed – C. F. Barker, 1881 match g.18 from 9-13 22-18 10-15, and M. Chamblee – W. Hellman, 1951 WCM g.17 from 10-15 22-17 11-16, and many others.

D – 30-25 first, preventing 11-15, may be stronger.

E – 16-19 15-11 (25-22 3-7 draw) 19-24 may draw.

F – 15-11 16-20 = previous note.

G – 6-9 32-28 24-27 may draw?

H – Continue 26-22 WW.

Danny Oliphant – Richard Beckwith

9-14 23-19 11-16 26-23 8-11(A) 24-20 11-15?(B) 20-11 15-24 27-20 7-16 20-11 3-7 28-24 7-16 24-20 16-19 23-16 12-19 20-16 2-7(C) 22-17 14-18 25-22 18-25 29-22 10-15 30-26 6-10 17-14 10-17 22-13 1-6 31-27?(D) 6-10 21-17 15-18 32-28 10-15 17-14 4-8 27-24 8-12 13-9 18-22 26-17 7-10 14-7 5-21 16-11 19-23 7-2 23-26 draw

A – Rare, and may be weak.

B – 5-9 22-17 = 9-14 23-19 11-16 26-23 5-9 22-17 8-11, which may draw.

C – 10-15 loses in *Churchill's Compilations*. 6-9 may also lose?

D – 32-27, a quick WW.

Richard Beckwith – Danny Oliphant

9-14 23-19 11-16 26-23 5-9 22-17 7-11 24-20(A) 11-15 20-11 15-24 28-19(B) 8-24 27-20 1-5?(C) 25-22 3-7 23-19 14-18 22-15 4-8 29-25 7-11 32-27(D) 11-18 17-14 10-17 21-14 9-13 19-15! 2-7 31-26?(E) 13-17 26-22 17-26 30-23 7-11 23-19 6-9 14-10 9-14(F) 10-6 14-17 25-21(G) 17-22?(H) 6-2 22-26 draw?(I)

A – 17-13 draw PP.

B – 27-20 draw, E. Ebert – E. Scheidt, 1954 U.S. Nat.

C – This seems to lose. 4-8 is fairly strong, R. D. Yates – J. P. Reed, 1878, *Yates Checker Player* from 11-15 24-19 15-24 and Chinook – L. Stubblefield, 1992 U.S. Nat.

D – 17-13 draw PP.

E – 30-26!! 13-17 25-21 18-22 26-23 22-25 23-18 25-30 27-23 WW!

F – 18-22 25-18 9-14 is an easier draw.

G – 6-2 17-21 19-16 draw.

H – 18-22 seems to draw.

I – Continue 2-7 WW.

Round 7 2006/07/27

Jim Morrison – Colin Young

11-15 21-17 9-14(A) 17-13(B) 8-11(C) 23-19(D) 11-16(E) 24-20 16-23 27-11 7-16 20-11 3-7 28-24 7-16 24-20 16-19 25-21 4-8 29-25 8-11 22-17 5-9(F) 26-23 19-26 30-23 11-15 31-26?(G) 15-18 20-16(H) 12-19 23-16 RW

A – This opening was balloted four times in this tournament, twice (in the last two rounds) by

Morrison. See B. Durdyev – M. Durdyev in round 1 and M. Hannigan – F. Bednall in round 6.

B – And this relatively weak move was played three times in this tournament.

C – 15-19 draw PP.

D – 25-21 draw PP.

E – A variation of the Glasgow.

F – Or others.

G – A published loss. 25-22 draw PP.

H – 32-27 RW C.R., *Kear's Encyclopedia*, p.424 note L.

Colin Young – Jim Morrison

11-15 21-17 9-14 25-21 8-11 29-25 6-9 17-13 2-6 23-19(A) 4-8 24-20 15-24 28-19 11-15 27-24
14-17 21-14 9-18 26-23 18-27 32-23 draw(B)

A – Souter.

B – The trunk in *Lees' Guide*.

Richard Beckwith – William Docherty

9-13 24-19 10-14 22-18 5-9 25-22 6-10 27-24(A) 11-15?(B) 18-11 8-15 24-20 15-24 28-19
7-11!(C) 22-18(D) 3-8 19-15(E) 10-19 23-7 2-11 32-28 14-23 26-19 9-14 30-26 14-18 26-22 18-25
29-22 1-6 28-24(F) 6-10 21-17 11-16 20-11 8-15 17-14 10-26 31-22 4-8 19-10 8-11 draw

A – 28-24 11-15* draw PP.

B – A published loss, but Nemesis suggests that it draws.

C – = 11-15 24-20 8-11 28-24 9-13 23-19 6-9 27-23 9-14 22-18 15-22 25-9 5-14 26-22 C.R. in
Robertson's Guide. This is the move recommended by Nemesis, and may have been prepared by
Beckwith. 4-8? loses in *Basic Checkers*.

D – 19-16 12-19 23-7 2-11 26-23 or 22-18 White better, but this may be the best that White can do
in this "published win."

E – Or 19-16 12-19 23-7 2-11 29-25 draw. 26-22 draw is the move C.R. in *Robertson's Guide*.

F – 31-26 draw C.R. in C. Reno's *Work of the Pentium*, p.142 v.15 from 11-15 23-19 9-13.

William Docherty – Richard Beckwith

9-13 24-19 10-14 22-18 5-9 25-22 6-10 27-24 1-5* 31-27(A) 11-15 18-11 8-15 23-18 14-23 27-11
7-23 26-19 9-14(B) 19-16 12-19 24-6 2-9 29-25 4-8 28-24 8-11 draw(C)

A – May be new, but this is relatively strong. 32-27 11-15 draw PP.

B – 2-6 draw, J. Childers – T. Sheehan, 1994 I-D from 9-13 22-18 6-9.

C – Good game.

Clayton Nash – Bagityar Durdyev

11-16 24-19 7-11 22-18 3-7 25-22 16-20?(A) 19-16(B) 12-19 23-16 11-15(C) 18-11 8-15 22-17(D)
9-14 29-25 5-9 17-13 1-5 16-12 15-18 28-24 10-15 26-22 14-17 21-14 6-10 13-6 10-26 30-14 2-18
31-26 7-10 26-23 10-14 25-21 5-9 21-17 14-21 23-5 21-25 5-1 25-30 1-6 30-26 6-10 15-18 24-19
WW

- A – A published loss which has even been played twice by mail. 11-15 draw PP.
- B – 28-24? and White ended up losing, A. Cameron – J. Ricca, 1956 match.
- C – 8-12 29-25 WW in *Basic Checkers*.
- D – 27-23 or 16-12 have won here, but this looks good, too.

Bagtiyar Durdyev – Clayton Nash

11-16 24-19 7-11 22-18 3-7 25-22 11-15 18-11 8-24 28-19(A) 4-8 22-18 8-11 29-25 9-13 18-14(B)
 10-17 21-14 6-10 25-21 10-17 21-14 1-6 26-22 6-10 22-18 10-17 19-15 16-19 15-8 19-26 31-22(C)
 17-26 30-23 7-10 8-3 10-14 18-9 5-14 23-18 14-23 27-18 13-17 3-8 2-7?(D) 18-14?(E) 17-21 draw

- A – 27-11 is also popular.
- B – 26-22 draw PP.
- C – 30-23 draw PP.
- D – 12-16? also loses.
- E – 32-27 WW, wins the piece on 7.

Frank Bednall – Mustafa Durdyev

11-16 21-17 9-14 17-13 8-11(A) 22-18 4-8(B) 18-9 5-14 24-19 16-20(C) 25-22 14-17(D) 23-18!(E)
 10-15 19-10 7-23 27-18 11-16 29-25 17-21 22-17 3-7(F) 32-27 16-19 25-22?(G) 7-11?(H) 17-14
 WW

- A – 16-19 draw PP.
- B – 16-20 draw PP.
- C – = 12-16 21-17 16-20 17-13 9-14 24-19 8-12 22-18 4-8 18-9 5-14 in Lees' Guide.
- D – 11-15 may draw in *Kear's Encyclopedia*, p.81 v.55, although White is strong.
- E – May correct published play. 29-25 draw, *Kear's Encyclopedia*.
- F – Others lose.
- G – 17-14 WW.
- H – 20-24! 27-20 8-11 (planning 21-25) 20-16 11-20 18-15 7-10 31-27 1-5 15-11 10-15 11-7 2-11
 27-23 11-16 17-14 draw.

Mustafa Durdyev – Frank Bednall

11-16 21-17 9-14 25-21 8-11 24-19(A) 11-15 17-13 15-24 28-19 4-8 22-18 8-11 18-9 5-14 29-25
 16-20 25-22(B) 11-15(C) 32-28(D) 15-24 28-19 14-17(E) 21-14 10-17 22-18 17-21(F) 19-16(G)
 12-19 23-16 7-10(H) 26-23(I) 1-5 23-19 5-9 18-15 10-14 27-24 20-27 31-24 14-18 15-10 6-15 13-6
 2-9 19-10 18-23 16-11 draw

- A – 22-18 draw PP.
- B – Symmetric.
- C – 11-16 draw PP.
- D – 19-16 draw PP.
- E – 10-15 draw PP.
- F – Or others may be easier.
- G – 26-22 may be stronger.
- H – 1-5 draw.

I – 26-22 may be stronger.

Shane McCosker – Ron King

11-15 22-18 15-22 25-18 12-16 29-25 9-13 18-14 10-17 21-14 16-20 23-18 6-10 25-21 10-17 21-14
2-6(A) 26-23 13-17 31-26 7-11 23-19 11-16(B) 19-12 3-7 12-3 17-21 3-10 6-31 14-10 5-9 10-7 9-14
7-3 14-18 3-7 18-22 7-11 22-25 11-15 25-29 24-19 31-24 19-16 24-19 15-24 20-27 32-23(C) 29-25
16-11(D) 25-22 23-19 22-18 28-24 18-23 19-16 23-27 24-20 27-23 11-7 23-19 16-11 1-6 7-3 6-10
3-7 19-16 7-14 16-7 draw

A – 1-6 draw PP.

B – 3-7 draw PP.

C – Draw, W. K. Campbell – H. Freedman, 1898 Scottish Ty.

D – Draw, H. Freedman – A. Battersby, 1898 match g.12.

Ron King – Shane McCosker

11-15 22-18 15-22 25-18 12-16 29-25 10-14 24-19 16-20 28-24 6-10(A) 26-22(B) 9-13(C) 18-9 5-14
22-18 14-17 21-14 10-17 18-14 8-11 31-26 4-8(D) 19-16 1-5(E) 16-12 2-6 25-22?(F) 6-10 24-19
11-16 22-18 17-22 26-17 13-22 14-9 5-14 18-9 8-11 9-6 11-15 27-24 20-27 6-2 15-24 2-20 27-31
20-27 31-24 32-28 24-20 23-18 20-16 28-24 10-15 18-11 16-7 RW

A – 8-11 draw PP.

B – Or others.

C – 8-11 should draw, J. Ferrie – H. Freedman, 1898 Scottish Ty. Nemesis prefers 1-6 19-16 8-11
which may favor Red.

D – 1-5 draw.

E – 2-6 may draw.

F – 24-19! 6-10 (11-16 26-22!! 17-26 23-18 WW) 19-16 10-15 (17-21 23-18 10-17 25-22 5-9 32-28
WW) 14-10 WW.

Myles Hannigan – Danny Oliphant

11-15 24-19 15-24 28-19 8-11 22-18 11-16 25-22 4-8(A) 22-17(B) 8-11 17-13(C) 16-20 26-22 9-14
18-9 5-14 22-18 14-17(D) 21-14 10-17 31-26 12-16 19-12 3-8 12-3 17-21 3-10 6-31 32-28 31-24
28-19 20-24 23-18 24-27 19-15 11-16 18-14 27-31(E) 14-9 16-19 9-6 1-10 15-6 2-9 13-6 19-23 6-1
31-26 draw

A – 16-20 draw PP.

B – 29-25 draw PP.

C – 17-14 draw, J. Wyllie – R. Martins, 1864 WCM g.25.

D – 1-5 draw PP.

E – 16-20 14-9 2-7 29-25 draw, G. Buchanan – A. Heffner, 1905 IM.

Danny Oliphant – Myles Hannigan

11-15 24-19 15-24 28-19 8-11 22-18 9-14 18-9 5-14 25-22 11-15 29-25(A) 15-24 27-20 10-15(B)
23-18 14-23 26-10 7-14(C) 22-17?(D) 6-10 25-22 4-8 17-13 1-6?(E) 22-17 8-11 30-26! 11-15
32-27?(F) 15-19?(G) 27-23 3-7 23-16 12-19 20-16 7-11 16-7 2-11 31-27 14-18(H) 17-14 10-17
21-14 11-15 draw

A – 32-28 draw PP.

B – Or 4-8 draw PP.

C – 6-15 draw PP in a couple of games.

D – 30-26 draw.

E – 8-11! seems to win in this game:

10-15 22-17 11-16 23-19 16-23 26-10 6-15 24-19 15-24 28-19 8-11 25-22 7-10 22-18 9-14 18-9
5-14 29-25 11-15 25-22 15-24 27-20 4-8 17-13 8-11! (varies from the above game, and seems to
win) 13-9 11-15 22-17 15-18 17-13 10-15 30-26 3-7 9-5 12-16? (7-11 RW) 20-11 7-16 13-9 2-7 9-6
1-10 5-1 14-17 21-14 10-17 1-6 17-21 6-2 7-11 2-7 21-25 7-10 16-19 32-27 18-23 draw, E. Scheidt
– H. Grant, 1973 Florida Open

F – 26-23 seems to draw.

G – 3-7! 27-24 7-11 26-23 12-16 31-26 15-18 24-19 RW.

H – 11-15 27-23 19-24 23-19 24-28 or 24-27 draws.

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Frank Bednall – Richard Beckwith

10-15 23-18 11-16 18-11 8-15 22-18 15-22 25-18 4-8 29-25 6-10 25-22(A) 8-11 27-23(B) 16-20
24-19 2-6(C) 19-16 12-19 23-16 9-13(D) 32-27(E) 6-9 16-12 9-14 18-9 5-14 27-23 11-15 23-19
15-24 28-19 7-11 19-16 11-15 22-17 13-22 26-17 15-19 16-11 14-18 11-7 10-15 7-2 18-23 17-14
draw

A – 26-23 draw, L. Freeman – E. Fuller, 1937 ACA Nat.

B – 22-17 1-6 17-13 10-15 26-22 (J. Childers suggested 24-20, which seems to draw) 16-20 24-19
15-24 28-19 11-16 (7-10 draw, H. Burton – M. Tinsley, 1978 U.S. Nat. from 12-16 22-17 16-19)
31-26 16-23 26-19 7-11? (9-14 seems to draw) 19-15 12-16 15-8 3-12 22-17 16-19 18-15 19-24
27-23 24-27 23-19 27-31 15-11 20-24 11-8 24-27 32-23 31-27 23-18 27-24 19-15? [18-15! 24-20
(24-27 8-3 WW) 30-26 20-16 26-22 WW] 24-19 8-3 19-10 17-14 10-17 21-14 12-16 30-25 16-19
25-22 19-24 14-10 6-15 13-6 2-9 18-11 draw, E. Morrison – E. Bruch, 1996 U.S. Nat.

C – = 11-15 24-20 12-16 20-11 7-16 22-18 15-22 25-18 8-11 29-25 4-8 25-22 16-20 23-19 2-7 27-23
8-12.

D – 10-14, W. Ryan – H. Schoenfield, 1937 ACA Nat.

E – 26-23 draw, W. Hellman – D. Oldbury, 1965 WCM g.24.

Richard Beckwith – Frank Bednall

10-15 23-18 11-16 18-11 8-15 22-18 15-22 25-18 16-20 24-19 4-8 29-25 9-14 18-9 5-14 25-22 8-11
27-23 6-10 22-18 1-5?(A) 18-9 5-14 26-22 11-15(B) 32-27?(C) 15-24 28-19 3-8 22-18 14-17 21-14
10-17 19-15(D) 7-11?(E) 15-10 11-16 18-14?(F) 17-21 23-18(G) 16-19 27-23 19-26 31-22 20-24
10-6 draw

A – A popular published loss. 14-17* draw PP.
B – 11-16 WW, J. Webster – H. Freyer, 1988 U.S. Nat.
C – 30-26* WW in W. Ryan's *Modern Encyclopedia* and elsewhere.
D – Or 31-26 draw.
E – 12-16 draw.
F – 10-7!! 2-11 31-26 17-21 26-22 WW!
G – Or 14-9 draw.

Jim Morrison – Bagtiyar Durdyev
11-15 21-17 9-14 25-21 8-11 23-19 draw

Bagtiyar Durdyev – Jim Morrison
11-15 21-17 9-14 25-21 8-11 23-19 draw

Myles Hannigan – Ron King
11-16 21-17 9-14 25-21(A) 8-11 22-18 16-20 18-9 5-14 29-25 11-15 25-22 7-11 17-13 4-8 22-17
15-18 30-25(B) 11-16 24-19 8-11?(C) 19-15 10-19 17-10 6-15 23-14 2-6 26-22 3-7 14-9 6-10 9-6
19-23(D) 27-18 20-24 28-19 16-23 6-2 23-26 18-14 10-17 21-14 WW

A – = 9-14 22-17 11-16 25-22.
B – Or 24-19 draw PP.
C – A published loss. 2-7 draw PP.
D – 10-14 WW, W. Hill – A. Hynd, 1905 IM.

Ron King – Myles Hannigan
11-16 21-17 9-14 25-21 16-19(A) 24-15 10-19 23-16 12-19 17-10 6-15 21-17 5-9 27-24(B) 2-6
22-18 15-22 24-15 7-10(C) 30-25 10-19 25-18 6-10 32-27(D) 1-6 27-23(E) 8-12 23-16 12-19 17-14
10-17 26-23 19-26 31-13 3-7 28-24 7-10 29-25 4-8 24-19 8-11 25-22 10-14 19-15 14-23 15-8 23-26
22-18 26-30 18-15 30-26* 15-11 9-14* 8-3 26-23 3-7 23-19 11-8 14-17 8-3 19-23 7-11 17-22 draw

A – Double Corner Dyke.
B – Or 17-13 draw PP.
C – 9-13 draw PP.
D – 18-14 also draws, PP.
E – 17-14 draw, E. Lowder – E. Atkinson, 1968 U.S. Nat.

Mustafa Durdyev – Danny Oliphant
10-14 22-18 6-10 25-22 11-15(A) 18-11 8-15 24-19(B) 15-24(C) 28-19 4-8 22-18 8-11 26-22 9-13
18-9 5-14 22-18 1-5 18-9 5-14 29-25(D) 11-15 32-28(E) 15-24 28-19 7-11(F) 25-22 11-15 30-26
15-24 27-20 3-7 20-16 12-19 23-16 draw(G)

A – More popular than 12-16.
B – 29-25 is considered stronger.
C – = 11-15 23-19 9-14 27-23 8-11 22-18 15-22 25-9 Defiance C.R.
D – 27-24 draw PP.

E – 27-24 draw PP.

F – 3-8 draw C.R., D. Oliphant – R. Taylor, 2002 Lancashire Ty.

G – H. Freedman – W. Campbell, C.R., 1898 Scottish Ty.

Danny Oliphant – Mustafa Durdyev

10-14 22-18 6-10 25-22 11-15 18-11 8-15 22-17 4-8 17-13 1-6 23-18 15-22 26-17 14-18(A) 24-19
7-11 29-25 11-16 31-26 16-23 26-19 8-11?(B) 17-14! 10-17 21-14 11-16(C) 19-15 3-7(D) 15-11
16-19 11-8 7-11 8-3 11-16 3-8 16-20 8-11 WW

A – 12-16 draw PP.

B – This may lose. 3-7 seems to draw.

C – 2-7 19-15 12-16 may also lose.

D – 2-7 also loses.

William Docherty – Colin Young

11-16 22-18 8-11 25-22 16-20 24-19 4-8 28-24(A) 11-16 29-25(B) 10-14 18-15 7-10 22-18?(C)
9-13(D) 18-9 5-14 26-22(E) 14-18 23-7 16-23 27-18 3-28 21-17(F) 6-10(G) 25-21(H) 8-11 30-26
10-15 31-27 2-7 27-23 15-19 23-16 12-19 18-14 11-15 14-10 7-14 17-10 1-5 10-7 5-9 7-3 9-14 3-7
14-18 7-11 18-25 11-18 25-30 26-22 30-25 21-17 19-23 18-27 25-18 RW

A – 22-17 draw PP.

B – 30-25 draw, J. Moir – W. Kirkland, 1886 Lanarkshire Ty.

C – A published loss. 15-11 8-15 23-18 14-23 27-11 16-23 26-19 20-27 31-24 10-15 19-10 6-15
11-8 9-14 (9-13 draw, J. Wyllie – C. F. Barker, 1882 WCM g.5) 24-20 5-9 (30-26 14-18 26-23 18-27
32-23 12-16 draw, *Kear's*) 8-4 9-13 4-8 2-7 32-27 1-6 27-23 6-10 (6-9 RW corrects *Kear's*) 30-26
15-19 23-16 12-19 8-12 19-24 20-16 24-27 16-11 7-16 12-19 3-7 "RW," W. Hannah, *Kear's
Encyclopedia*, p.35 v.20, but the final position is a draw.

D – Easier is 3-7 RW, W. Ryan, *Tricks Traps and Shots*, p.50.

E – 25-22 may lose.

F – 18-14 or 30-26 lose, Swan and Adamson, back in the 1800's.

G – 8-11 RW is more convincing.

H – 30-26 12-16 17-14 may lose.

Colin Young – William Docherty

11-16 22-18 8-11 25-22 16-20 22-17 9-14 18-9 5-14 29-25 11-15 25-22 7-11 17-13 4-8 22-17 15-18
30-25(A) 11-16* 24-19 2-7*(B) 26-22 7-11 22-15 11-18 31-26 8-11 19-15 10-19 17-10 6-15 23-14
15-18(C) 26-22 3-8 22-15 11-18 14-10 19-24 28-19 16-23 10-7 8-11 7-3 11-16 3-7 16-19 7-10(D)
19-24 10-15 24-31 15-22 23-26 22-18 26-30 18-15(E) draw

A – 24-19 draw PP.

B – 8-11? was played in the Hannigan – King game in this same round.

C – Oldbury twice played 1-6 to draw.

D – 25-22 draw, M. Tinsley – N. Banks, 1952 match g.20.

E – 25-22 draw, J. Webster – L. Keen, 2000 U.S. Nat.

Shane McCosker – Clayton Nash

9-14 22-18 11-16 18-9 5-14 25-22 16-19 24-15 10-19 23-16 12-19 22-17 6-10 27-24 2-6 24-15
10-19 17-10 7-14 29-25 8-11 25-22 4-8 31-27 11-15(A) 22-17(B) 8-11 17-10 19-23 27-18 15-31
21-17 6-15 32-27 31-24 28-10 11-15 17-14 15-19 draw(C)

A – More popular than 8-12 draw in *Basic Checkers*.

B – 26-23 draw, C. Taylor – R. Hunt, 1950 U.S. Nat., and A. Long – M. Tinsley, 1954 U.S. Nat., and
E. Frazier – W. Hellman, 1967 WCM g.35, and many other games.

C – A pleasant vary from the games in the previous note.

Clayton Nash – Shane McCosker

9-14 22-18 11-16 18-9 5-14 24-19 8-11(A) 25-22 draw(B)

A – = 9-14 24-19 11-16 22-18 8-11 18-9 5-14.

B – PP.