

REMEMBERING EDWARD IPACS

During the month of November and for a few weeks in December, the club held the Ed Ipacs Double Quads, an event where players were grouped into four-man sections and played each of their opponents twice, once as White and once as Black. Even though quads are not considered major club events, it should be mentioned that it has been at least seven years since these more casual-paced tournaments have been held at the NBCC. As I have said before, it is always nice to have varied events, and I know more quads will be held in the future at the club based on this event's good turnout. Incidentally, Ed Ipacs, in case you were wondering, was a very creative bughouse chess player who is credited with discovering such interesting bughouse opening lines like 1. e4 d5 2. ed e6 and 1. e4 Nf6 2. e5 d5!? 3. exf6 ef. Tragically, Ed died in his 20s. However, he has left an indelible mark on the crazy game of bughouse chess.