FEATURE AT SIX

Nicholas County Chess Club eyes state championship

By Josh Shepherd
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The Nicholas County Chess Club has a good chance of claiming the state championship.

Their weapon is Nathan Hunt, a top-10 state player and winner of the regional Sweet 16 academic competition.

In the Sweet 16, Hunt defeated fourth place Jason Ison of Fairview High School and third place Rick Schildge of Simon Kenton High School to break into the championship.

The championship game pitted Hunt against Boone County's Mike Deitz, ranked first in the region. They stalemated (played to a tie) in the championship round and Hunt took the decision based on his previous wins in the competition.

Hunt said his proficiency in chess is not the result of years of practice.

He started playing two years ago while a freshman in high school, when he found himself in the High School Chess Club sponsored by retired teacher, Peter Chamness.

"I never played chess before high school and for a while, I just took it as a regular game. But when I got in the Chess Club tournaments and winning, I started dreaming of being state champion and got very serious about it," Hunt said.

The make-up of the chess league varies considerably from basketball or football championships, he said.

Four Kentucky regions make up a quad. Nicholas' chess region takes in Kentucky regions 9, 10, 15 and 16.

In Nicholas' quad, Hunt is ranked second behind Mike Deitz, although Hunt played Deitz to a tie in the Sweet 16.

Nicholas County is currently ranked in the state's Top 15 for chess, and Hunt himself is ranked among the Top 10 players.

Hunt's overall record this year is 14-1-3.

The Nicholas County High School Chess Club tied for first in the Garden Springs Classic Open in Lexington.

In the Richmond Madison Holiday Gambit, Hunt took first place, while teammate Ronnie Berry finished fourth. Overall, the team took third, as well as logging a defeat against top-10 ranked Richmond Madison.

Time controls in high school chess play vary, but on the average 30 minutes is allotted each player before a move is required in a game

Tournaments are usually played best of four, and an entire tournament runs about six hours, Hunt said.

Two state championships are held for Chess players. The Sweet 16, Hunt said, is played more for the scholarships than for acclaim as a state champion.

In March is another state championship that Hunt feels the Chess team could take this year.

"The Nicholas County team is number one in our quad, but we haven't been able to participate in the state the last two years.

"If we do well, we want to dedicate this season to Peter Chamness, because he was the one who got us together," Hunt said.

The two biggest challenges to the team come from Jefferson County schools St. Xavier and Fern Creek.

Hunt's only loss this year has come from a St. Xavier player.

Hunt said Nicholas County has improved every year he's been on the team. He did not realize their strength until their win at Garden Springs.

"I talked with the president of the Kentucky Chess Association and he commented on the wins. That's when I realized we have a definite shot at winning the state," Hunt said.

If the team does take it, Hunt hopes they can go on to the national championship in Kansas City.

However, the team members lack a sponsor to accompany them and money for the trip.

They plan to sponsor fund-raisers in an attempt to go if they are Kentucky's champion.

If their success is a strong as their outlook, the team should be seeing national competition.

"I really think we can do it," Hunt said.

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The active members of the Nicholas County Chess Club, ranked number one in their region, are from left, Shon Conyers, Jonathon Brunner, Nathan Hunt, Mark Hamons, Tish Hamons and Ronnie Berry.

Student of the Week

Name: Mike Ritchie
Age: 17
Grade: Senior
Parents: Jerry and Diane Ritchie
Extracurricular activities: FFA, President
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Waiting on Court	735.05
Conveying Patients	93.44
Delinquent Tax	1013.15
Dog Licenses	136.00
Theft & Accident Reports	62.00
Interest on Taxes	962.49
Sheriff Security Services	2782.02
Refund on Bond	1043.42
Overpayment of 1988 State Tax	11.57
Advancement	20,000.00
Total Receipts	$69,858.02

EXPENDITURES

Salaries	$39,764.16
Employees Witholdings	7235.84
Postage	26.61
Supplies	975.86
Advertising	211.38
Bond	1187.55
Dog Licenses	123.50
Reimbursements	310.28
Advancement	20,000.00
Miscellaneous	22.84
Total Disbursements	$69,858.02

Charles Ring, Sheriff

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FINAL SETTLEMENTS

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned have made and filed their final or partial settlement with the Judge of the Nicholas District Court and the same will be confirmed as a matter of law 10 days after February 1, 1990, unless formal exceptions are filed thereto before thit date.

Mary Belle Selvage, Administratrix, 3872 Maysville Road, Carlisle, Kentucky 40311. Martin V. Scott, deceased, 6-6-89, 6841Stoney Creek Road, Carlisle, Kentucky 40311. Billy G. Hopkins, Attorney, 109 Main Street, Carlisle, Kentucky 40311.

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Milton W. Moreland, Administrator, 316 Irvine Road, Lexington, Kentucky40502. Mae B. Wills, deceased, 1-7-90, West Main Street, Carlisle, Kentucky 40311. Billy G. Hopkins, Attorney, 109 Main Street, Carlisle, Kentucky 40311.

Harold E. Gaunce, Executor, 917 Highland Avenue, Carrollton, Kentucky 41008. Lillian Sexton Gaunce, deceased, 1-7-90, 349 Locust Street, Carlisle, Kentucky 40311. Conley & Conley, Attorney, 198 East Main Street, Carlisle, Kentucky 40311.

Marie S. Lowe and James C. Lowe, co-executors, 2348 Whetstone Road, Carlisle, Kentucky 40311. Mary Belle C. Shrout, deceased, 1-15-90, 459 Locust Street, Carlisle, Kentucky 40311. James P. Brannon, Attorney, 112 Locust Street, Carlisle, Kentucky 40311.

Don Smith, Administrator, 223 High Street, Carlisle, Kentucky 40311. Thelma Cook, deceased, 12-21-89, 115 North Street, Carlisle, Kentucky 40311. Elizabeth P. Davenport, Attorney, 103 West Main Street, Carlisle, Kentucky 40311.

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Statement of Resources and Liabilities .....Thousands of dollars

ASSETS

Cash and balances due from depository institutions	
Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin	564
Interest-bearing balances	1,342
Securities	10,791
Federal funds sold	6,150
Securities purchased under agreements to resell	NONE
Loans and lease financing receivables:	
Loans and leases, net of unearned income	10,706
LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses	451
LESS: Allocated transfer risk reserve	none
Loans and leases, net of unearned income, allowance and reserve	10,255
Assets held in trading account	none
Premises and fixed assets (including capitalized leases)	497
Other real estate owned	52
Investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries and associated companies	109
Customers' liability to this bank on acceptances outstanding	none
Intangible assets	none
Other assets	557
Total assets	30,317
Losses deferred pursuant to 12 U. S. C. 1823 (j)	none
Total assets and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U. S. C. 1823 (j)	30,317

LIABILITIES

Deposits	
In domestic offices	24,547
Noninterest-bearing	3,751
Interest-bearing	20,796
Federal funds purchased	NONE
Securities sold under agreements to repurchase	2,600
Demand notes issued to the U. S. Treasury	68
Other borrowed money	none
Mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capitalized leases	none
Bank's liability on acceptances executed and outstanding	none
Notes and debentures subordinated to deposit	none
Other Liabilities	372
Total Liabilities	27,587
Limited life preferred stock	none
EQUITY CAPITAL	
Perpetual preferred stock	none
Common stock	200
Surplus	200
Undivided profits and capital reserves	2,330
LESS: Net unrealized loss on marketable equity securities	NONE
Total equity capital	2,730
Losses deferred pursuant to 12 U. S. C. 1823 (j)	none
Total Equity capital and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U. S. C. 1823 (j)	2,730
Total liabilities, limited-life preferred stock, and equity capital and losses deferred pursuant to 12 U.S.C.1823 (j)	30,317

We the undersigned directors, attest to the correctness of this statement of resources and liabilities. We declare that it has been examined by us and to the best of our knowledge and belief has been prepared in conformance with the instructions and is true and correct.

s/Lanny Hutchison
s/Bobby Crockett
s/Billy G. Hopkins

I, Shirley Wilson, Cashier of the above-named bank do hereby declare that this Report of Condition is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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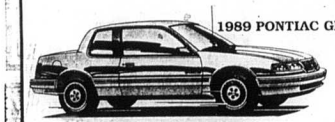

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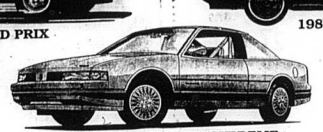

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