Chip the Chimp

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This is a tale about Chip the Chimp. Chip is the chess champ of Chesterton. Chip is no chump when it comes to chess.

A chap by the name of Skip came to Chesterton to play a game of chess with Chip.
"I am the best chess champ in all the land. There is no chimp who plays chess better than I do," Skip said.

Skip bet a chunk of change and his ranch that he would win the chess match. He put a chunk of change on the bench. "I will be champ," he said. "Just watch and see."

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Skip asked Chip to play chess. But Chip said he could not play. He had to pitch in the big game. Skip said, “Chimps can play chess, but they do not pitch.”
“I have no time to chat,” said Chip.
“I have to pitch.
But I will play chess at lunch.
Then we will see who is the chump.”

At lunch, Chip and Skip sat down to play a chess match. A bunch of chimps came to watch the match. They set on a bench in the shade and sipped lime drinks. At lunch, Chip and Skip sat down.
Then Chip said, “Checkmate.”
He had Skip’s king.
Skip could not win the game
with his king in checkmate.
Skip was crushed.

“You are no chess chump,” said Skip.
“You are the champ,
and now you are rich.
You won my ranch,
and a chunk of change.”
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