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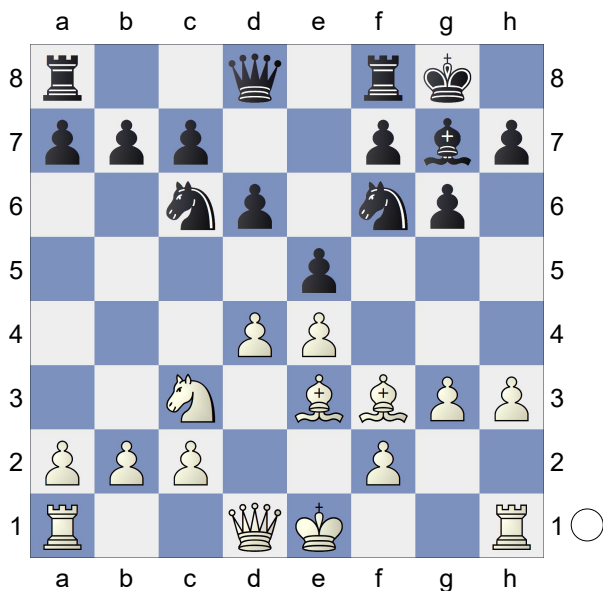
1.e4 2:21 g6 1:00 2.d4 1:01 Bg7 6
3.Nf3 9 d6 49 4.Nc3 37 Nf6 41 5.g3
1:57 Bg4 2:22

[5...0-0=]

6.Bg2 1:16 Nc6 18 7.Be3 2:00 0-0 1:54

8.h3 3:11 White is slightly better.

8...Bxf3 46 9.Bxf3 42 e5 1:08



10.d5 5:23 Nd4 1:19 11.Bg2 2:04 c5
6:10

[11...c6=]

12.a4N 2:45

[12.0-0± Nh5 13.Nb1 f5 14.Bxd4
cxd4 15.exf5 Qb6 16.fxg6 hxg6
17.Nd2 d3 18.Nc4 dxc2 19.Qxc2
1-0 (34) Tomic,D (1882)-Bubanja,D
(2075) Mojkovac 2016]

12...Qb6 51

[12...Nd7!=]

13.Qc1 7:16

[13.Bc1±]

13...Qa6 43 14.Qd1 8:47 Qc4 1:44

[14...Nh5=]

15.Bd2± 8:51 Qa6 2:26 16.Bf1 7:01

[16.Ra3±]

B08 16...c4 20

1855 [16...Qb6= was better]

17.Bg2 1:17 Qb6 1:03 18.Qc1 2:28

Nh5 54 19.a5 4:14 Qc5 12 20.Be3!

5:00 b5 2:20 21.axb6 3:23

[21.0-0!±]

21...axb6= 7 22.0-0 40 b5 11 23.Qd2

56 Qb4 40 24.Rxa8 5:30 Rxa8 6

25.Rb1 48 Qa5 1:22 26.Kh2 1:38

[26.b4? cxb3 27.Rxb3 (27.cxb3?

Qxc3 Remove Defender, Decoy

28.Qxc3 Ne2+ 29.Kf1 Nxc3-+)

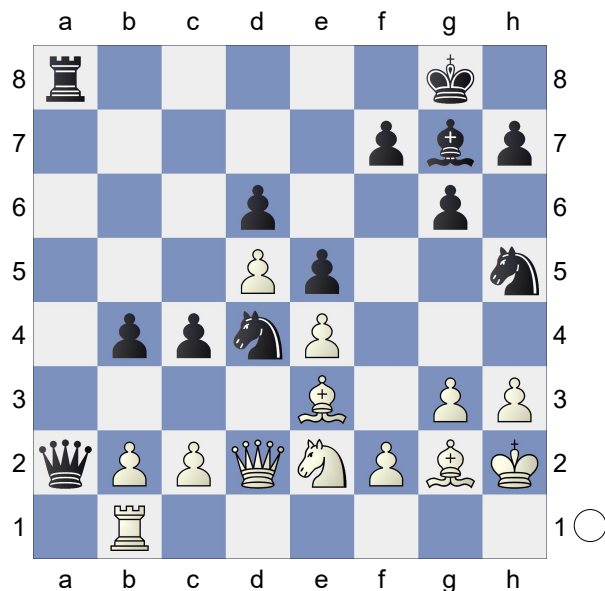
27...Nxb3 28.cxb3 Rc8-+]

[26.Qd1= balances]

26...b4± 35 Black is more active. 27.Ne2
1:57

[27.Nd1± ineffective]

27...Qa2-+ 33



Deflection 28.Rd1 2:10 Qxb2 24

29.Nxd4 1:25 exd4 18 30.Bxd4 8 c3

21 31.Bxg7 1:40 Kxg7 19

[31...Nxc7-+ 32.Qc1 Ra2 33.Qxb2
Rxb2 (33...cxb2 34.Rb1±)]

32.Qd4+± 4:44 Kg8 22 %m now wins.

33.e5? 40

[33.Rf1!±]

33...b3-+ 21 34.e6 4:54 bxc2 40

35.exf7+ 38 Kxf7 6 36.Rd3 50 c1Q 21

Black mates. 37.Rf3+ 8 Kg8 6 38.g4 54

c2 16 39.Qe4 9 Qe5+ 19 Weighted

Error Value: White=0.78/Black=0.22
(precise)
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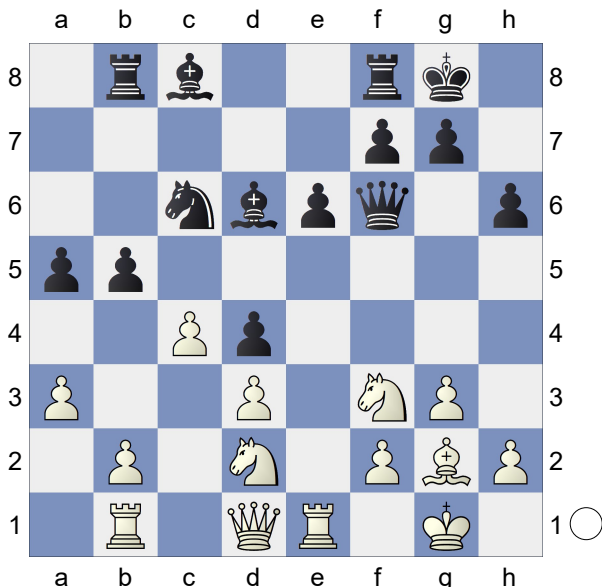
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[TA]

1.c4 Nf6 5:14 2.g3 7 e6 16 3.Bg2 20
d5 22 4.Nf3 47 d4 31 5.0-0 14 c5 13
6.e3 9 Nc6 1:20 7.exd4 10 cxd4 1:25
8.d3 18 Bd6 7:49 A13: English
Opening: 1...e6. 9.Bg5 5:43 0-0 1:28
10.Nbd2 17 h6 24 The position is equal.
11.Bxf6 2 Qxf6 6 12.Re1 4:43 Rb8N
4:46

[12...Qe7 13.Nb3 Qf6 14.a3 a5
15.Rc1 Rd8 16.c5 Bc7 0-1 (56)
Mitrabha,G (2515)-Klimkowski,J
(2508) Chess.com INT 2025]

13.a3 12:26 a5 14.Rb1 1:06
[14.Ne4± Qe7 15.Nxd6 Qxd6
16.Nd2]

14...b5 5:29
[14...Qd8!=]



15.c5? 4:01 White has a strong passed

pawn 15...Bc7!= 2:07

[15...Bxc5? 16.Qc1+-]

16.a4 7:50

[16.b4= for equality]

16...Nb4 3:19 17.axb5 26:05 Rxb5 7:30

18.Ne4 5:45 Qd8 46 Black is more
active. 19.Rc1 3:33 f5 2:56 20.Nd6 45
Bxd6 31 21.cxd6 4:31 Qxd6 28
White has weak pawns 22.Nd2 3:29 e5
4:56

[22...Nxd3? blunder 23.Nc4 Qc7
24.Qxd3+-]

[22...Qb8± 23.Nc4 Rc5]

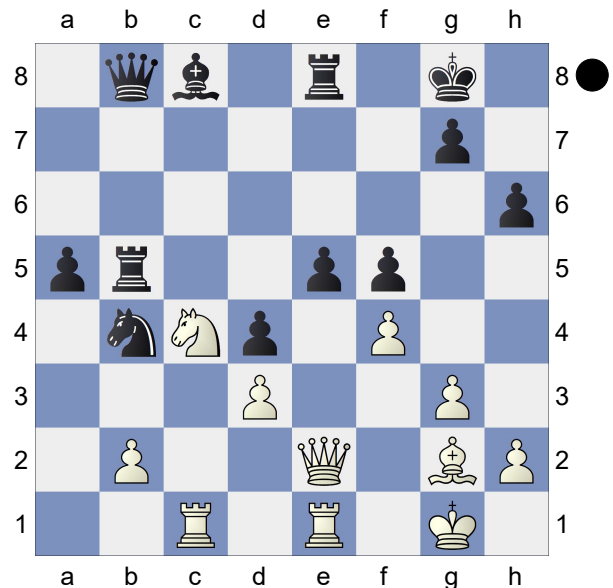
23.Nc4± 43 Qb8 1:12

[23...Qe7± was better 24.f4 e4
25.dxe4 d3]

24.Qe2 29 Black converts the advantage
convincingly.

[24.Na3!= was the only way to keep
the balance.]

24...Re8↑ 1:24 White is under strong
pressure. 25.f4? 32
[25.Qd1±]

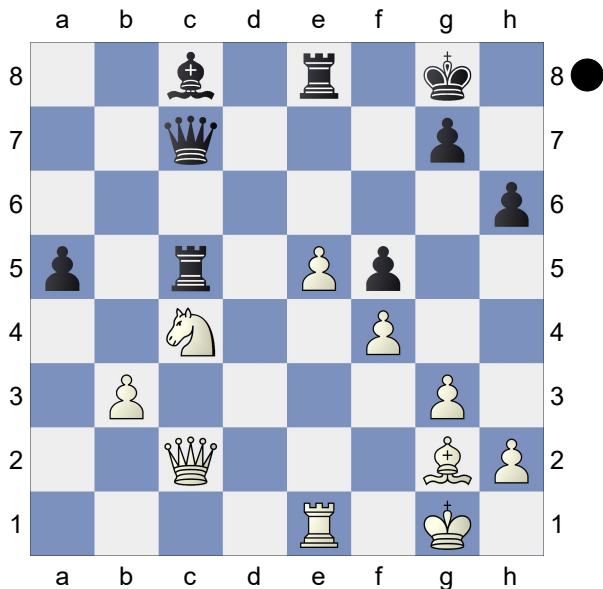


25...e4!-+ 9:45 26.dxe4 2

[26.Qd1 e3]

26...d3 1:30 27.Qf2 11 Nc2 2:49

28.Rxc2 7 dxc2 8 29.e5 19 Qc7 6:57
Black is clearly winning. 30.Qxc2 1:57
Rc5 2:30 31.b3 3:24



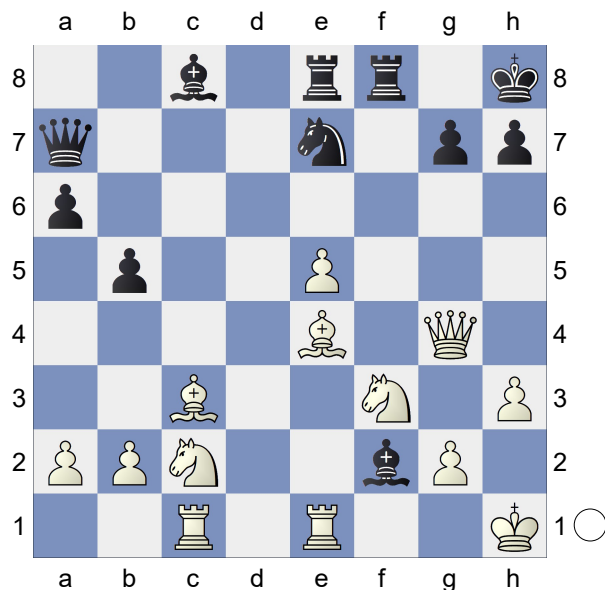
a4! 1:13 32.Qb1 16
 [32.Qa2 axb3]
32...Be6 46 33.Nd6 26 Rb8 11 34.b4 30
 [Δ34.Nxf5 Bxb3 (34...Rxb3 35.Nxh6+ Kh8 36.Qg6=) 35.Nd4]
34...Rc2 2:07 35.b5 32 Qc5+ 2:39
36.Kh1 2 Bd5 4:40 37.Qxc2 1:52 Qxc2 4
38.Bxd5+ 15 Kf8 7 %m is now a threat. 39.e6 8:41 Ke7 21 40.Nc4 16
Rxb5 1:37 Weighted Error Value: White=0.89/Black=0.26 (precise) 0-1

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1.e4 12 e6 6 2.Nc3 48 d5 14 3.Nf3 22 d4 34 4.Ne2 23 c5 24 5.c3 45 Nf6 18 6.e5 1:24 C00: French: Unusual White 2nd moves. 6...Nfd7 6 and %m would now be decisive 7.cxd4 54 cxd4 8 8.Nexd4 37 The position is equal. 8...Nxe5! 11 Deflection 9.Bb5+ 1:27 Nec6 16 10.0-0 1:01 Bd6 4:16 11.Nc2 40 a6N 4:03

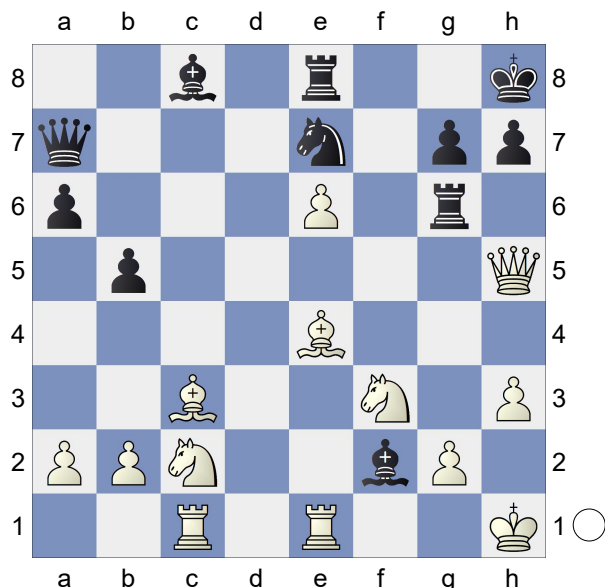
[11...0-0 12.d4 b6 13.Bg5 Be7 14.Bf4 Bb7 15.a3 a6 16.Bc4 Na5 17.Ba2 Bd5 ½-½ (56) Qashashvili,A (2378)-Socko,B (2654) Yerevan 2014]

12.Be2 58 0-0 2:50 13.d4 1:02 Nd7 29 14.Bd3 3:26 Qc7 9:16 15.Re1 3:32 e5 2:30 16.h3 6:33 Kh8 20:33 17.Bd2 3:09 b5? 4:28
 [17...f5±]
18.Bc3? 8:07
 [18.Rc1+-]
18...f6? 6:28
 [18...Bb7±]
19.Rc1+- 6:22 Qa7? 5:12
 [19...Ne7 20.dxe5 Nxe5 21.Nxe5 fxe5]
20.Be4 3:00 Bb7 58 21.dxe5 1:24 Bc5 3:34 22.Qxd7 58 Rad8 2:40 23.Qe6 1:33 Bxf2+ 1:43 24.Kh1 23 Rde8 2:35
 [Δ24...Nxe5 25.Nxe5 Bc8]
25.Qg4 2:14 f5 5:03
 [Δ25...Nxe5 26.Bxe5 fxe5]
26.Bxf5 25 And now %m would win. 26...Ne7 7 27.Be4 3:58 Bc8 14



Inhibits e6. 28.e6! 41 Rf6 1:16
 [28...Ng8 29.Bc6]
29.Qh5 1:39 Rg6 1:36

(Diagram)



30.Ng5! 1:10 Weighted Error Value:
White=0.44/Black=1.18
1-0

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■ Dharmatti,Ritesh

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[TA]

1.e4 2 c5 52 2.c3 Nc6 7 3.d4 1 d5 7
4.exd5 6 Qxd5 1 5.Nf3 6 Nf6 10 6.Be2
25 cxd4 1:38 7.cxd4 2 e6 10 8.Nc3 7
Qa5 8 9.0-0 8 Bb4 12 10.Bd2 1:09
B22: Sicilian: 2 c3. 10...0-0 24 11.a3 5
Bxc3 5:12 12.bxc3 48 The position is
equal. 12...Ne4 2:48 13.Bd3 14 Nxd2
42 14.Qxd2 12 h6N 33:07

[14...b6= 15.Qf4 Ba6 16.c4 Qh5
17.Rfd1 Rfd8 18.Be4 Rac8 19.g4
Qh6 20.Qxh6 gxh6 21.Bxc6 Rxc6
1-0 (27) Nielsen,L (2260)-Haubro,M
(2151) Copenhagen 2012]

15.Rfb1 1:20 a6 33

[15...Ne7±]

16.Be4 37

[16.Qe3±]

16...Rd8± 1:57 17.Qe3 43 Qc7 14:23

18.c4 6:08 Na5 6:43 19.c5 24 Bd7 1:36

20.Ne5 1:34 Bc6 11:26 21.Rb6 1:48
Bxe4 5:01 22.Qxe4 2 Rd5 25 23.Rab1
7:19 Rad8 25 24.Nf3 1:47 Qd7 4:56
25.Qe1 2:09 Qa4 29 26.Qb4 1:19
Rxd4? 57

[26...Qxb4= 27.axb4 Nc6]

27.Nxd4+- 35 Rxd4 15 28.Qe1 2:02

Parries Rd1.

[28.Qxa4+- Rxa4 29.Ra1]

28...Qxa3= 2:07 29.Rd6 4:40 Ra4 1:38

[29...Rc4=]

30.Qd1? 6:31

[30.Rxe6+- %m now wins. fxe6

31.Qxe6+ Kh8 (31...Kh7? 32.Qf5+

Kh8 33.Re1+-) 32.Qc8+ (32.Qe8+?

Kh7+-) 32...Kh7 33.Qf5+ Kg8

34.Re1]

30...Nc6? 2:33

[30...Rc4!=]

31.Rd3!+- 3:41

[31.Rxb7 Rc4 32.Qe2 (32.Rxc6

Rc1= Pin) 32...Qxc5±]

31...Qa2 1:26 32.Rxb7 34 Rc4 1:48

33.Rc7? 11:17

[33.h3!+-]

33...Rxc5? 59

[33...Nd4!= 34.Qe1 (34.Rxd4? Rxd4

35.Qe1 Qb3+-) 34...Qc2]

34.Rd6? 1:47

[34.Rd8+!+- Kh7 35.g3]

34...Rf5= 13 35.Rd2 38 Active counter

play!

[35.Rcxc6? Qxf2+ (35...Rxf2?

36.Rc8+ Kh7 37.Qd3+ Rf5

38.Qc2+-) 36.Kh1 Qf1+ 37.Qxf1

Rxf1#]

[35.Rc8+ Kh7 36.Rd2 (36.Rcxc6?

Qxf2+ 37.Kh1 Qf1+ Back Rank

38.Qxf1 Rxf1#) 36...Qc4±]

35...Qc4 1:00 36.Rc2 53 Qd5 23

37.Qb1 2:07 Nd4 28 38.Rc8+ 2:02 Kh7

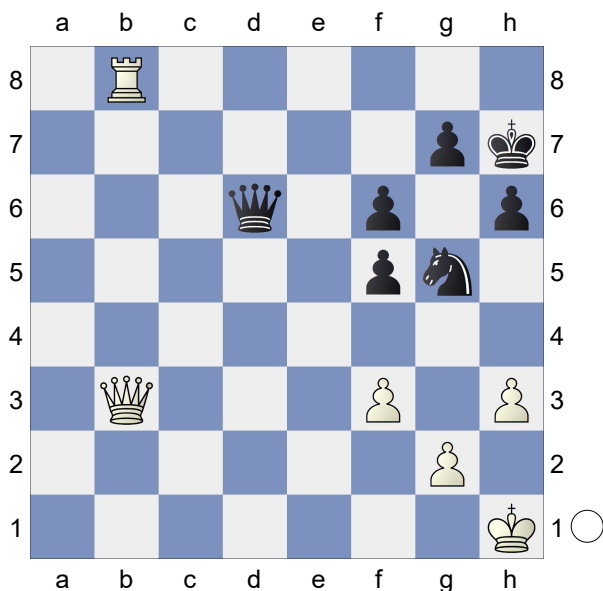
5 39.R2c5 1:17 Qd6 2:08

[39...Ne2+? 40.Kf1+-]

40.Rxf5 6:04 exf5 2 Endgame KQR-

KQN 41.Qd1 1:58 Qe6 14 42.Ra8 29

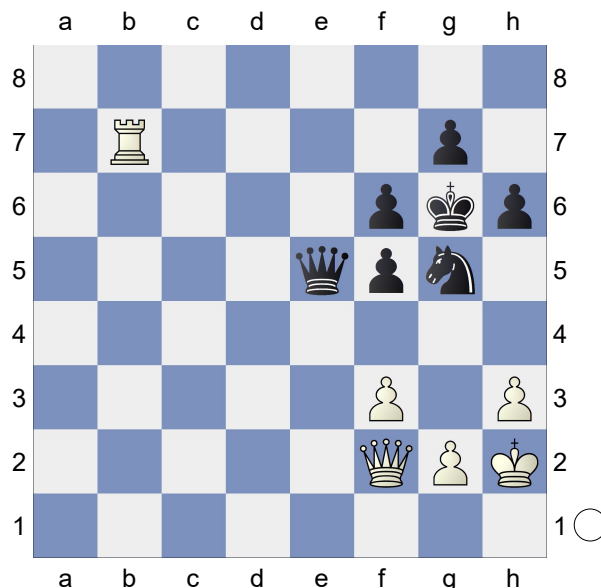
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 43.Kh1 36 Nc3 22 44.Qf1 12 Nb5 40
 45.f3 1:23 Qc6 11 46.Rf8 23 Qd7 14
 47.Qa1 34 Nc7 43 48.h3 19 a5 19
 49.Qe5 1:55 f6 1:27 50.Qa1 3:54 a4 6
 51.Rb8 21 Qd6 26 52.Qxa4 32 Ne6 12
 53.Qb3 17 Ng5? 1:07
 [53...Qe5=]



54.Rb5? 3:25
 [54.Qb1!+- Kg6 55.h4]
 54...Qf4± 30 55.Qc2 1:26 Kg6 25
 [55...Ne4!?]
 56.Rb7 2:44 Qe5 41 57.Qf2 2:21
 Qa1+? 18 Black is on the road to losing.
 [57...Ne6= equal]
 58.Kh2+- 18 Qe5+ 51

(Diagram)

59.Qg3! 3:46 Qxg3+ 56
 [59...Qd5 was safer]
 60.Kxg3 3 KR-KN 60...Nf7 28
 [60...Ne6 61.Rd7 f4+ 62.Kh2 Nf8]
 61.Kf4 56 Ng5 32 62.Re7 23 Avoids
 62...Nf7 20 63.h4 18 h5 15 64.Re8 44
 Nh6 24 65.Ra8 30 Nf7 30 66.Ra5 20
 Nh6 13 67.Ke3 2:27 Kf7 21 68.Kd4 30
 g5 1:31 69.hxg5 34 fxg5 2 70.Ke5 18
 h4 34 71.Ra6 25 Kg7 13 72.Rb6 42



g4 48 73.Kf4 47 Kh7 1:12 74.Kg5 1:43
 gxf3 25 75.Rxh6+ 13 Kg7 2 76.gxf3 11
 Weighted Error Value: White=0.36/
 Black=0.54
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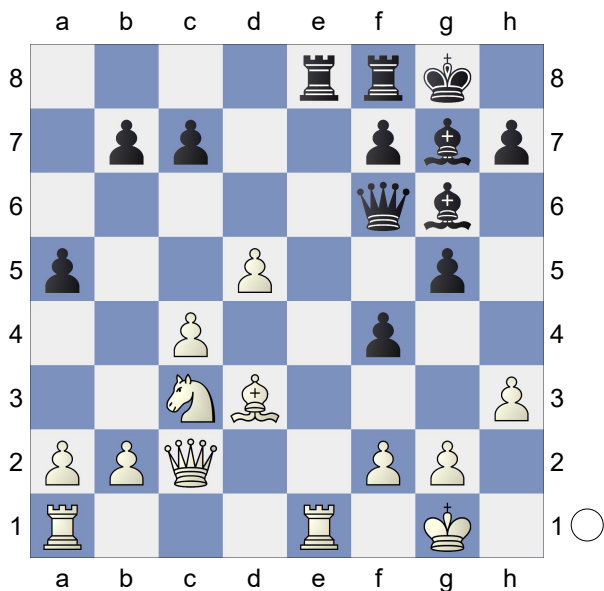
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 [Winslow, Elliott]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6
 5.Nf3 0-0 6.Be2 Nbd7 7.h3 e5 8.d5
 Nc5 9.Qc2 a5 10.0-0 Nh5 11.Re1 Nf4
 12.Bf1 Qf6 13.Qd1 g5 14.Bxf4 exf4
 15.e5 dxe5 16.Nxe5 Bf5 17.Nd3 Nxd3
 18.Bxd3 Rae8 19.Qc2 Bg6

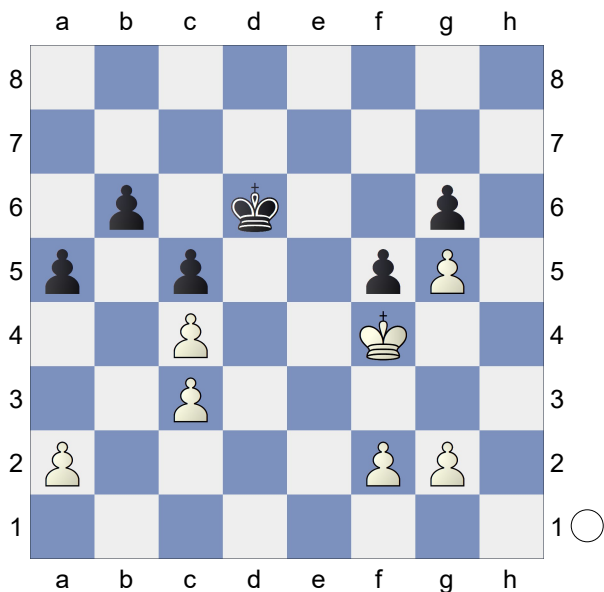
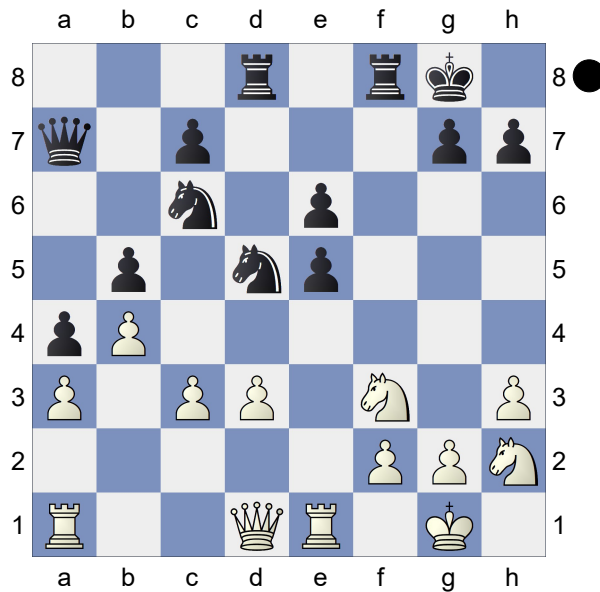
(Diagram)

20.Re2 Re5 21.Bxg6 hxg6 22.Rxe5
 Qxe5 23.Qe4 b6 24.Qxe5 Bxe5
 25.Re1 Bxc3 26.bxc3 Rc8 27.Kf1 c6
 28.d6 Rd8 29.Rd1 c5 30.Ke2 Rd7
 31.Kf3 f5 32.h4 Kf7 33.hxg5 Ke6
 34.Kxf4 Rxd6 35.Rxd6+ Kxd6

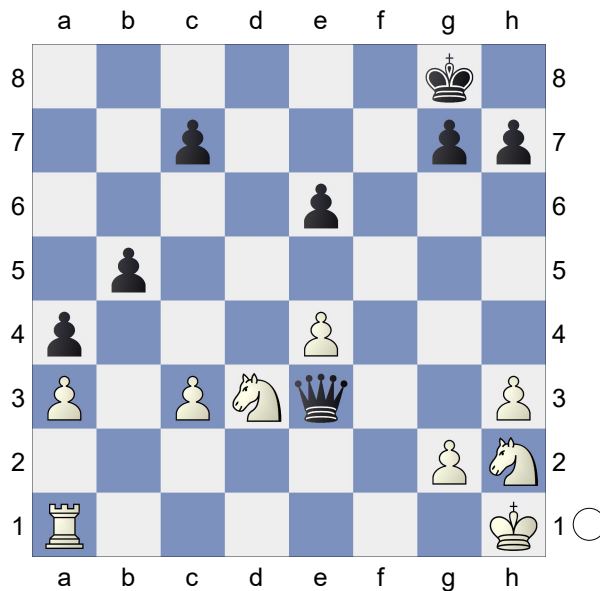
(Diagram)



b5 15.a3 d5 16.exd5 Nxd5 17.Re1
Rad8 18.N1h2



e4 19.dxe4 Ndxb4 20.Qe2 Nd3
21.Red1 Nce5 22.Nxe5 Rxf2 23.Qxd3
Ra2+ 24.Kh1 Rxd3 25.Nxd3 Rxa1
26.Rxa1 Qe3



36.a4 Ke6 37.g4 fxe4 38.Kxe4 Ke5
39.f3 Kd6 40.f4 Ke6
1-0

□ Brongersma, Hayden

■ Das, Rohan

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[Winslow, Elliott]

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.0-0
Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.c3 a5 7.Re1 0-0 8.h3
Be6 9.Nbd2 Qb8 10.Bxe6 fxe6 11.Nf1
Qa7 12.Be3 a4 13.b4 Bxe3 14.Rxe3

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27.Nb4 Qxc3 28.Rd1 Qxa3 29.Nc6 h6
30.Ng4 Qc3 31.Rd8+ Kh7 32.Nd4 h5
33.Ne5 Qc1+ 34.Kh2 Qf4+ 35.Kg1
Qxe5 36.Nf3 Qc5+ 37.Kh2 a3 38.h4
a2 39.Ra8 Qf2 40.e5 Qb2 41.Ra6
a1Q 42.Rxe6 Qa8 43.Kg3 Qc8
44.Ng5+ Kg8

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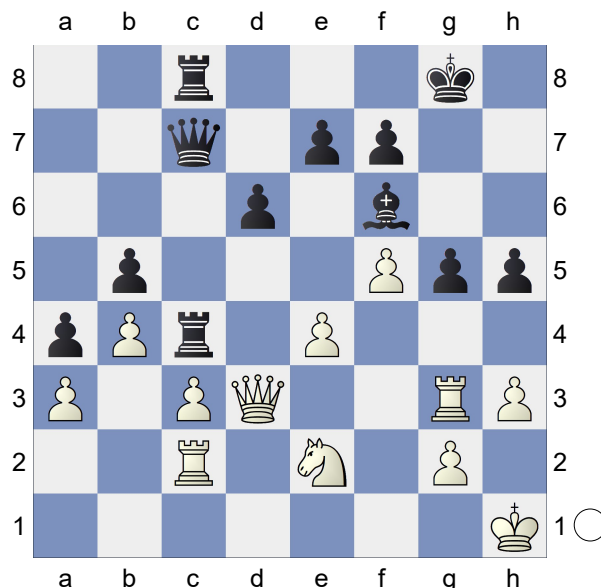
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 8.Na3 e5 9.dxe5 Bxa3 10.bxa3 Ne4
 11.Be2 Nxc3 12.e6 Bxe6 13.Bc7 b5
 14.Bd6 Kd7 15.Bc5 b6 16.Bxb6 Rxa3
 17.Bc5 b4 18.Nd4 Nxd4 19.Bxd4
 Rha8 20.Bf3 Rxa2 21.Rc1 f6 22.g4
 Nb5 23.Rd1 Nxd4 24.Rxd4 Ra1+
 25.Bd1 b3 26.0-0 b2 27.Bc2 Rc1
 28.Bxh7 Raa1
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[Winslow,Elliott]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4
 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.f4 Nc6 7.Nf3 Bg4
 8.Be3 Qa5 9.Bd3 Bg7 10.0-0 0-0
 11.a3 Rfc8 12.b4 Qd8 13.Ne2 Bxf3
 14.Rxf3 Ng4 15.Rb1 Nxe3 16.Rxe3
 Qb6 17.Qd2 Na5 18.Kh1 Nc4 19.Bxc4
 Rxc4 20.c3 Rac8 21.Rb3 a5 22.h3 h5
 23.Rb1 a4 24.Rc1 Qc6 25.Qd3 b5
 26.Rc2 Qc7 27.f5 g5 28.Rg3 Bf6

(Diagram)

29.Nf4 Rxc3 30.Rxc3 Qxc3 31.Nxh5
 Qe1+ 32.Kh2 Be5 33.Qxb5 Qxe4
 34.Qd7 Ra8 35.b5 Qe2 36.b6 Qxh5
 37.b7 Bxg3+ 38.Kxg3 Qh4+ 39.Kh2
 Qf4+ 40.g3 Qf2+ 41.Kh1 Rf8 42.Qxe7
 Qxg3 43.Qxf8+ Kxf8 44.b8Q+ Kg7
 45.Qb2+ Qe5 46.Qc2 Qd4 47.Qg2 Kf6
 48.Qf3 Qa1+ 49.Kh2 Qe5+ 50.Kg2
 Qxf5 51.Qc6 Qf4 52.Qc3+ Qe5



53.Qf3+ Ke7 54.Qb7+ Ke6 55.Qc8+
 Kf6 56.Qh8+ Kf5 57.Qh7+ Ke6
 58.Qh6+ f6 59.Qf8 Qe2+ 60.Kh1 Qf3+
 61.Kh2 Qxa3 62.h4 Qb2+ 63.Kh3
 Qb3+ 64.Kg4 Qd1+ 65.Kh3 Qf3+
 66.Kh2 Qf2+ 67.Kh3 Qxh4+ 68.Kg2
 Qe4+ 69.Kg3 Qe5+ 70.Kg4 Kd7
 71.Qf7+ Qe7 72.Qa2 Qe6+ 73.Qxe6+
 Kxe6 74.Kh5 a3 75.Kh6 a2 76.Kh5
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 g4 80.Kg7 Qh5 81.Kg8 Kf6 82.Kf8
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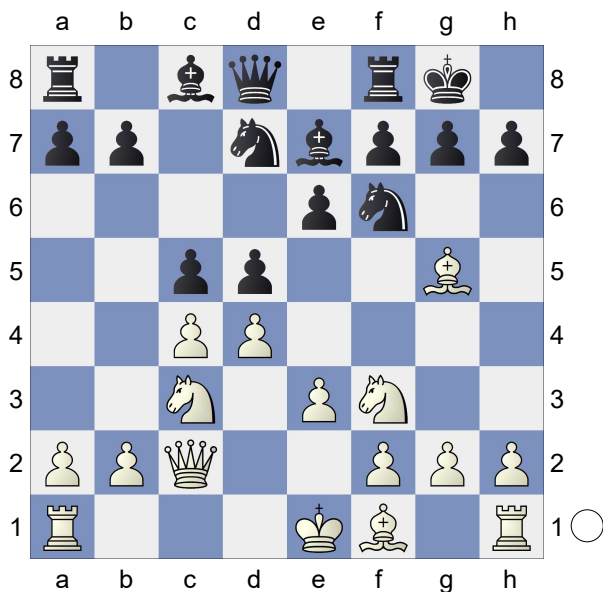
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 Be7 5.0-0 Nf6 6.d3 d6 7.h3 h6 8.Nh2
 g5 9.Nd5 Nxd5 10.Bxd5 h5 11.c3 Bf6
 12.Be3 Ne7 13.d4 Nxd5 14.exd5 cxd4
 15.cxd4 e4 16.f3 Bf5 17.Qe2 Qb6
 18.Rad1 Bg6 19.fxe4 Be7 20.e5 0-0
 21.Nf3 Rac8 22.Rd2 dxe5 23.dxe5
 Bc5 24.Nd4 f6 25.e6 Qd6 26.Nb5
 Qe7 27.Kh1 a6 28.Bxc5 Qxc5 29.e7
 axb5 30.Qe6+ Kg7 31.exf8Q+ Rxf8

32.d6 Qc6 33.Qe7+ Rf7 34.Qxf7+
Bxf7 35.d7 g4 36.d8Q gxh3 37.Rdf2
Bd5 38.Qe7+ Kg8 39.Kh2 Bxg2
40.Rxf6
1-0

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 Clemens, Kristian **1991**
 Powers, Christopher **1857**
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[Clemens, Kristian]

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Be7 5.Bg5 Nbd7 6.e3 0-0 7.Qc2 c5

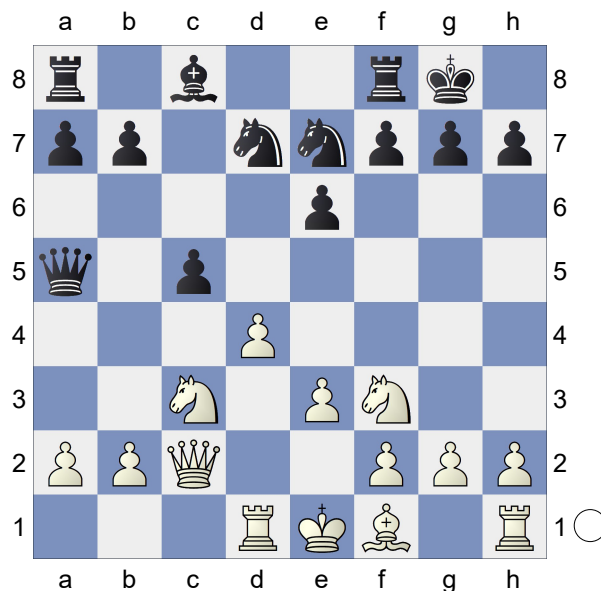


This is the main move for Black, but I was now up 12 minutes on the clock. I slowed down a little on my next two moves, because Black's response was not familiar to me. **8.Rd1 Qa5**

I unintentionally misled my opponent after the game, thinking this was just a playable sideline, but it actually seems to be the main move here. Black spent 12 minutes on this move. We were both improvising, but I think Black did well in an unfamiliar situation here. **9.cxd5**

[9.Bd3 h6 10.Bh4 Nb6 11.cxd5
cxd4 12.d6 Bxd6 13.Bxf6 gxf6
14.Nxd4 Bb4 15.0-0 Bxc3 16.bxc3

Bd7 17.c4 Ba4 18.Nb3 Qb4 19.Qe2
Rfc8 was Alekhine - Foltys, 1936,
where White crashed through with
Nxe6 a little later]
9...Nxd5 10.Bxe7 Nxe7



My initial impression was that Black lost a few tempi in the opening, but now I think his whole system was good- if he had just chosen between Nf6 and h6, he should have been OK. It's not like my development is anything to write home about here. White: 1:25, Black: **11.Bd3** I intended to use this tempo to castle and then figure out my plan. I realized that he wanted to play Nf6 anyway, so it's not like I'm really winning a tempo, but I got a pleasant surprise when he played Nf6 and h6, which in my opinion was redundant.

[11.Be2 Nf6 12.0-0 Bd7 13.Ne5
cxd4 14.Nxd7 Nxd7 15.Rxd4 Nf6
16.Bf3 Rab8 17.Qa4 Qxa4 18.Rxa4
a6 19.Rd1 Rfc8 20.g4 h6 21.Rd6
Rc7 22.Rb4 was an interesting draw
in Jobava - Bruzon. This is a little
too subtle for me to understand, but
I'll pay attention to anything Jobava
plays.]

11...h6

[11...Nf6 12.0-0 cxd4 13.Nxd4 e5

(13...Bd7 14.Ne4 Ned5 15.Nb3 Qd8 16.Nxf6+ Nxf6 17.Qc5 Qb6 18.Rc1 Rfc8 19.Qxb6 axb6 20.Rxc8+ Rxc8 21.Rc1 Rxc1+ 22.Nxc1 was an easy draw for Black in Capablanca - Lasker, 1921 World Championship match)
14.Nb3 Qc7]

12.0-0 Nf6 13.Ne4 This was the same move that I played in the early middlegame against Powers a few years ago, when I started a kingside attack. In this case, I'm threatening to ruin his pawn structure, so he has to take and improve my bishop and rook. White: 1:12, Black: 56 min

[13.dxc5 Qxc5

A) 14.Nd5 Qxc2 (14...Qxd5 15.Bh7+ Nxh7 16.Rxd5 Nxd5)
15.Nxe7+ Kh8 16.Bxc2

was the trap I was trying to set up;

B) 14.Ne4 Nxe4 15.Bxe4 Qxc2 16.Bxc2 b6= I realized that after .. Nxe4, he was protecting his queen.]

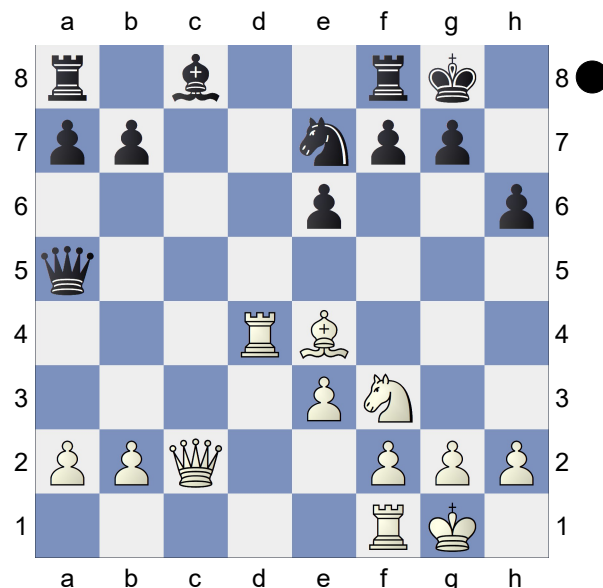
13...Nxe4 14.Bxe4 This is the position I saw when I started operations in the center with cxd5 and Bd3. I evaluated it as equal, but difficult to play for Black. His development is a little behind, and his pieces aren't really working together- the queen now has no obvious targets, the knight probably wishes it were on c6 or f6, and it's not clear how the bishop is getting out. **14...cxd4**

[14...Qxa2 15.Ra1]

15.Rxd4

(Diagram)

Around this point, I tried to assess the position. For some reason, this reminded me of a similarly quiet position against Scott Poling at Reno last year, where I targeted the weak square d6 against his Bogo-Indian. Having traded off



Black's dark-squared bishop and his good knight here, my instinct was to hammer the weak dark squares before he completed development. Instead of having a single target, I was scanning the dark squares every move for targets. I'm not much of a stock-picker, but it reminded me of using filters to find stock tickers to invest in without having any particular ones in mind. I had my filter: "attackable dark squares", and I refreshed it every move in the middlegame, scanning for targets.

15...Rb8 White: 62 min, Black:

[15...Rd8 I was hoping for this move and prepared a queen sacrifice:

16.Qc5!! The point is that the queen is out of squares and can't defend the rook, which is hanging with checkmate. Qxc5 (16...Nc6 17.Qxa5 Nxa5 18.Rxd8#; 16...Rd5 17.Qxe7) 17.Rxd8#]

[15...f5 This is the engine's suggestion, and I agree- Black needs to break White's positional grip and get his pieces out even at the cost of weakening e5. 16.Bd3 Nc6 17.Ra4 Qc7 18.Rc1 (18.e4 f4 19.e5 This is an engine line. I guess it looks fine to me, since it still

restricts the Bc8.)]

[15...Qxa2 16.Ra4]

[15...Nd5 The engine gives a long line in which White doesn't take on d5. I would definitely take on d5 and play this IQP position in a heartbeat- Black lacks counterplay because of the minor piece imbalance and the fact that White still controls the c-file for now. 16.Bxd5 exd5 17.b4 (17.Qa4 Qb6 18.Qb4 Qc6 19.Rdd1±; 17.a3 Be6 18.Qd2 Qb6 19.Rd1) 17...Qa3 18.Rc1 Bf5]

16.b4 I took a break for dinner around here. **16...Qh5?**

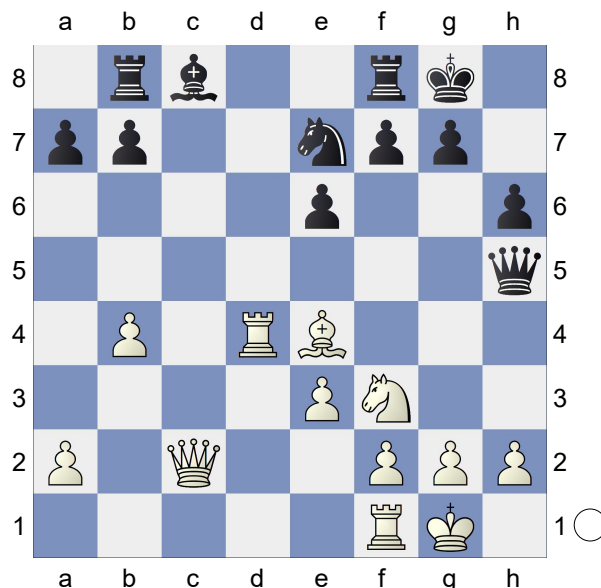
[16...Qb6 17.Rfd1 This was my plan, preventing him from freeing his Bc8. After the game, Black suggested sacrificing a pawn to free his position, and I thought it seemed like a good idea. (17.Ne5 This seemed decent, and I think Black suggested it after the game. The point is to paralyze Black's forces while I bring in reinforcements with Rc1- I might even consider Qc7, trading queens and dominating both open files.; 17.Rc1 f5 18.Bd3 Nc6) 17...e5 (17...f5 18.Bd3 Nc6 19.Rd6 Qxb4 20.Bc4±) 18.Nxe5 Be6]

[16...Qb5 We also looked at this- the point is that the queen will be protecting the rook after a trade on c6.

A) 17.a4 Qb6 18.a5 Qb5 19.Qc7 Nc6 20.Bxc6 (20.Rc1 Nxd4 21.Nxd4 Qxb4 22.Qxb8

This is a crazy engine line- I would probably have preferred to keep it simpler.) 20...bxc6 21.Ne5;

B) 17.Qc7 Nc6 18.Bxc6 bxc6 19.Qxa7 (19.a3 This was my tame suggestion after the game.)]



Black spent 9 of his 44 minutes on this move, and I spent 11 of my 59 minutes on my reply, making sure to check all of Black's moves, because I thought I would have a winning position if Qc7 worked. **17.Qc7** I was lucky to catch my opponent on an off day- he said he had missed this in earlier calculations.

17...e5

[17...Nc6 18.Bxc6 bxc6 19.Qxb8 Ba6 20.Qe5 (20.Rd8 Rxd8 21.Qxd8+ Kh7 22.Qa5 Qxa5 23.bxa5 Bxf1 24.Kxf1) 20...Qxe5 21.Nxe5 Bxf1 22.Kxf1]

[17...f5

A) 18.Qxe7 fxe4 19.Rd8

This was my "safety valve" line.

These moves were sometimes difficult to calculate, but not difficult to find, since every variation basically followed the same theme: occupy the weak dark squares that Black can't defend. Bd7 20.Rxf8+ Rxf8 21.Nd4 (21.Qxd7 exf3 22.Qxe6+ Kh8 23.g3) 21...e5 22.Qxd7 exd4 23.Qxd4±;

B) 18.Qxb8 fxe4 19.Qe5 (19.Rxe4 I didn't see this during the game.) 19...Qf7 (19...Qxe5 20.Nxe5+-) 20.Qxe4]

(Diagram)

[17...Ra8 18.Qxe7]
 [17...Bd7 18.Qxd7]

18.Rd8 Now the threat is to trade on f8 and play Qd8#. This was my last big think of the game: 5 of my 48 minutes.

18...Bf5

[18...Bg4 19.Rxb8 Bxf3 20.Bxf3]
 [18...Bh3 19.Rxb8 Qg4 20.Rxf8+ Kxf8 21.Qd8#]
 [18...Rxd8 19.Qxd8#]
 [18...f5 19.Rxf8+ (19.Qxe7 Rxd8 20.Qxd8+ Kh7) 19...Kxf8 20.Qxb8]

19.Rxb8 Rxb8

[19...Bxe4 20.Rxf8+ Kxf8 21.Qd8#]

20.Qxb8+ Kh7 21.Qxe5 Qg6 22.Nh4

The last eight moves all occupied dark squares. I guess nobody can accuse me of getting distracted easily! **22...Qe6**

23.Bxf5+ White ended with 42 minutes, Black ended with 19 minutes.

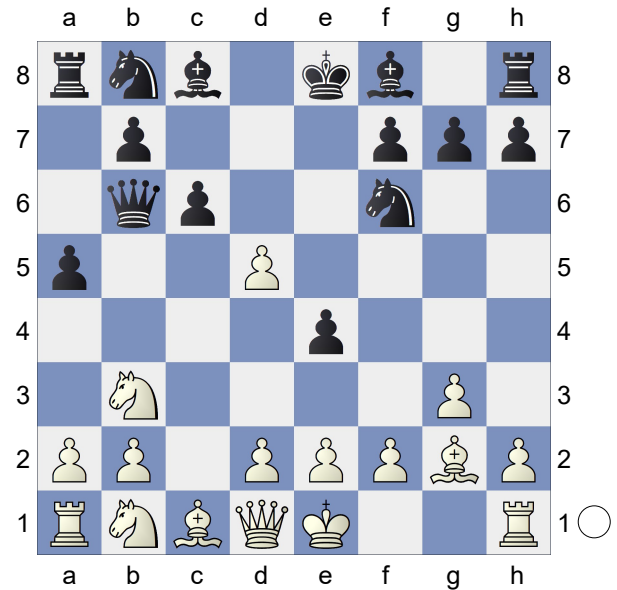
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□ **Walder,Michael** **A20**
 ■ **Kane,Kevin** **1950**
1999
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 [TA]

1.c4 e5 2.g3 c6 3.Bg2 Nf6 4.Nf3 e4
5.Nd4 d5 6.cxd5 Qb6

[Relevant: 6...Qxd5 7.Nc2 Na6
 8.Nc3 Qe5 9.0-0 Be7 10.Rb1 0-0
 11.b4 Nc7 12.Bb2 Qf5 13.a3 Rd8
 14.Ne3 Qg6 15.Qc2 Qh5 16.Nxe4
 Qxe2 17.Rfe1 Qd3 18.Qxd3 Rxd3
 19.Bf1 Nxe4 20.Bxd3 Nxd2 21.Nf5
 Bxf5 22.Bxf5 Nf3+ 23.Kf1 Nxe1
 24.Rxe1 Bd6 25.h4 Rd8 26.Rd1
 Ne8 27.Ke2 Bc7 28.Rxd8 Bxd8
 29.Be5 Bc7 30.Bd7 Bxe5 31.Bxe8
 Kf8 32.Bd7 Ke7 33.Bc8 b6 34.Kd3
 Bb2 35.a4 Kd6 36.b5
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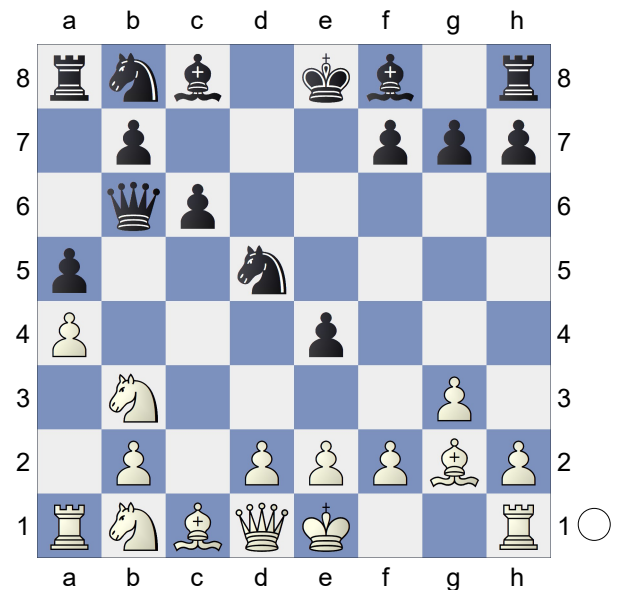
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7.Nb3 a5!



8.a4 -0.06/32

[8.d3± 0.31/32]

8...Nxd5=



The position is equal. **9.0-0N**

[Predecessor: 9.Bxe4 Be6 10.d4
 Nd7 11.N1d2 h5 12.h4 f5 13.Bf3 f4
 14.Nc4 Qc7 15.gxf4 Nxf4 16.Nbd2
 Bb4 17.b3 0-0-0 18.Ba3 c5 19.Bxb4
 axb4 20.a5 Rhe8 21.a6 Bxc4
 22.Nxc4 Nb6 23.axb7+ 1-0 Gukesh,
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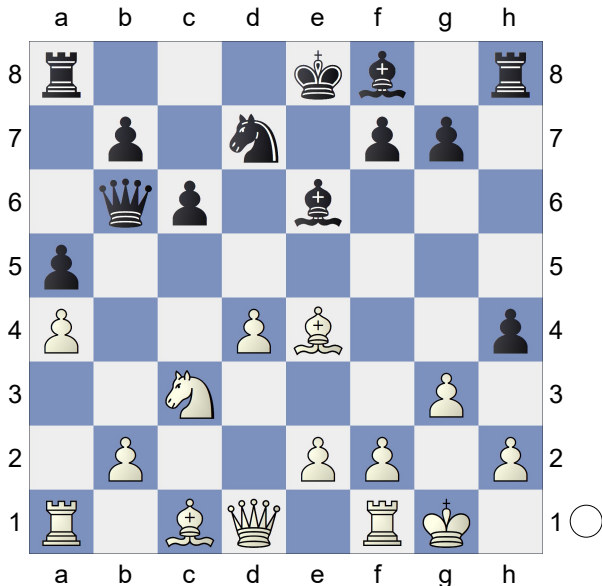
9...Nf6 Strongly threatening ...Be6.

10.d4 Be6 11.N3d2 h5 0.80/27

[11...Qxd4= 0.13/31 12.Nxe4
Discovered Attack Qxd1 13.Nxf6+
(13.Rxd1 Nxe4 14.Bxe4 Na6=)
13...gxf6 14.Rxd1 Na6]

12.Nxe4± Nxe4 13.Bxe4 h4 14.Nc3
Nd7 1.56/23

[Δ14...hgx3 0.95/29 15.hgx3
(15.fgx3 Nd7±) 15...Na6]



15.Be3! Qb4 1.81/25

[15...Rd8± 1.40/25]

16.d5+- cxd5 17.Bxd5 0.54/30

[White should try 17.Bf3+- 1.61/29]

17...Nf6 1.83/21 This move loses the
game for Black.

[17...hgx3± 0.54/30 18.fgx3 Bc5
19.Bxc5 Qxc5+ 20.Kh1 Nf6 21.Bxe6
(21.Bxb7? Ng4+-) 21...fxe6]

18.Bxe6 fxe6 19.Qc2 Kf7

Repels Qg6+ 20.Rad1 Qg4 3.41/20

[20...Rc8 1.61/27 21.Rd4 Rc4]

21.Rd4 Qh3 4.64/19

[21...Qg6 3.30/23 was called for.
22.Ne4 Nxe4]

22.Ne4 Active counter play! 22...Nxe4

23.Qxe4 Be7 7.25/19

[Δ23...hgx3 4.79/20 24.fgx3+
(24.Qxb7+ Kg8=) 24...Kg8]

24.g4 Rhd8 25.Rfd1

[Not 25.Qxb7 Rxd4 26.Bxd4

(26.Qxa8? gets mated. Rxc4+
27.Kh1 Qxf1#) 26...Qxg4+ 27.Qg2
Qxg2+ 28.Kxg2 Rb8±]

25...Rxd4 26.Rxd4 Hoping for Rd7!.

26...Rb8 27.Rd7 13.25/23

[Δ27.f3 82.39/23 Re8 28.Rd7
(28.Qxb7 Kf8+-)]

27...Rd8 28.Rxd8 9.99/25

[Weaker is 28.Qxb7 Rxd7 29.Qxd7
Qxg4+ 30.Kf1 Qe4=]

[Δ28.Qf4+ 62.73/22 Kg8 29.Rxd8+
(29.Rxe7? Rd1#) 29...Bxd8 30.f3]

28...Bxd8 29.Qxb7+ KQB-KQB. White
is two pawns up. White mates. 29...Kg8

30.f3 Bf6 31.Qc8+ Kh7 32.Qxe6

Bxb2 33.Qe4+ Kh8 34.Bd4 Bxd4+

35.Qxd4 Kh7 36.Qd5 Weighted Error

Value: White=0.42/Black=0.93

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D38

□ Zhao, Isaac Dan

1995

■ Liu, Serena

1804

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1.Nf3 d5 2.c4 e6 3.d4 Nf6 4.cxd5
exd5 5.Nc3 c6 6.Qc2 Bb4 7.Bg5 h6
8.Bxf6 Qxf6 9.e3 Bf5 10.Bd3 Bxd3
11.Qxd3 Na6 12.a3 Bxc3+ 13.Qxc3
Nc7 14.0-0 Nb5 15.Qc2 0-0 16.Ne5
Qe7 17.Rae1 Rfe8 18.Nd3 Nd6
19.Nc5 Ne4 20.b4 Nd6 21.Rb1 Nc4
22.Qa2 b6 23.Nb3 b5 24.Rfc1 Rec8
25.a4 Qxb4 26.axb5 cxb5 27.Nc5 Qa3
28.Qxa3 Nxa3 29.Rb3 b4 30.Rxb4
Rcb8 31.Ra4 Nc4 32.Na6 Rb7 33.g3
Kf8 34.Nc5 Re7 35.Ra6 Rc8 36.Rca1
Rcc7 37.Rb1 Nb6 38.Rb5 f6 39.Na4
Nxa4 40.Rxa4 Rc2 41.Rxd5 Rb7
42.Rf5 Kf7 43.Ra6 Kg6 44.Rf4 Rd2
45.Kg2 Rd7 46.g4 Rc2 47.Kg3 h5
48.gxh5+ Kxh5 49.Rf5+ Kg6 50.Rfa5
Rcc7 51.Kf4 Rb7 52.Ra3 Rbc7

53.Rd3 Rc2 54.Kg3 Kf5 55.f3 Rb7
 56.e4+ Kg6 57.d5 Rd7 58.Rda3 Rcc7
 59.Kf4 Rb7 60.R3a4 Kf7 61.Kg4 Kg6
 62.h4 Kf7 63.h5 Rbc7 64.R4a5 Rb7
 65.Kf5 Rbc7 66.f4
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□ **Dutter,Frederic**

■ **Wang,Yulan**

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C68

1900

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1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Bxc6
 dxc6 5.0-0 Bg4 6.h3 Bxf3 7.Qxf3 Nf6
 8.d3 g6 9.Bg5 Bg7 10.Nd2 0-0
 11.Nc4 Qe7 12.Qe3 Qe6 13.f4 Nd7
 14.f5 gxf5 15.exf5 Qd5 16.f6 Qc5
 17.Qxc5 Nxc5 18.fxg7 Rfe8 19.Rae1
 Nd7 20.Rf5 Kxg7 21.Ref1 Rf8 22.Bf6+
 Nxf6 23.Rxf6 Rae8 24.Nd2 Re7
 25.Ne4 b6 26.g4 c5 27.Ng3 Rd7
 28.R6f3 h6 29.Nf5+ Kg6 30.Ng3 Kg7
 31.Nh5+ Kg6 32.h4 a5 33.Rf6+ Kh7
 34.Rc6 Rd4 35.Kh2 Rd6 36.Rxc7 Kg6
 37.Ng3 Rd4 38.Kh3 Rd6 39.Nf5 Re6
 40.Rc6 Rxc6 41.Ne7+ Kg7 42.Nxc6 f6
 43.Ne7 Re8 44.Nf5+ Kg6 45.h5+ Kh7
 46.Ne3 Kg7 47.Nd5 Re6 48.c4 Rd6
 49.a4 Re6 50.Re1 Rd6 51.Kg3 Kf7
 52.Kf3 Ke6 53.Ke4 Kf7 54.Rf1 Kg7
 55.Kf5 Rc6 56.Rf3 Rd6 57.Rg3 Rc6
 58.Nc3 Kf7 59.Ne4 Kg7 60.Nf2 Kf7
 61.Ne4 Kg7 62.Nd2 Kf7 63.Nf3 Ke7
 64.Nh4 Kf7 65.Nf3 Ke7 66.Kg6 Rd6
 67.Nh4 Rc6 68.Nf5+ Ke8 69.Kxh6 Kf7
 70.g5 fxg5+ 71.Kxg5 Re6 72.Rh3
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□ **Le,Thu Anh**

■ **Calvin,Jamie Duif**

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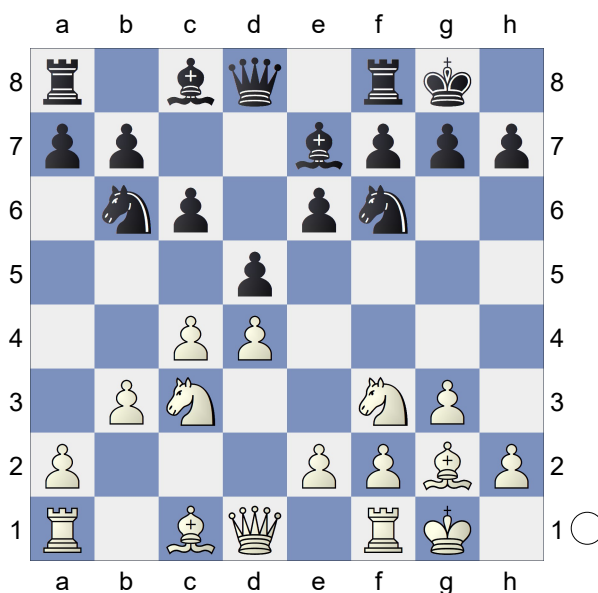
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E07

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1600

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.g3 Nf6 4.Bg2 Be7
 5.Nf3 c6 6.0-0 0-0 7.b3 Nbd7 8.Nc3
 Nb6



9.c5 I wasn't sure about this -- White gains queenside space with tempi, at the cost of over-extension.

[9.Ne5 Nfd7 10.Nxd7 Nxd7
 11.Qc2]
 [9.Qd3!±]

9...Nbd7 10.Bf4 b6

[10...Nh5 11.Bd2]

11.b4 Ba6

[11...a5 12.a3]

12.Re1

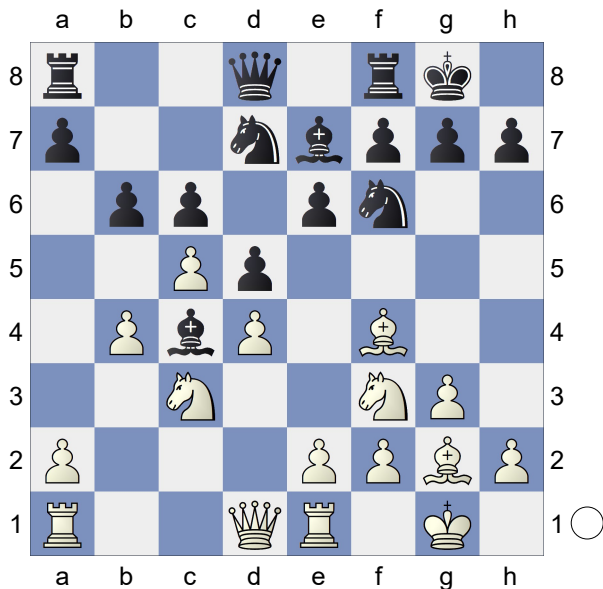
[12.Qa4 Qc8 13.Rfe1]

12...Bc4

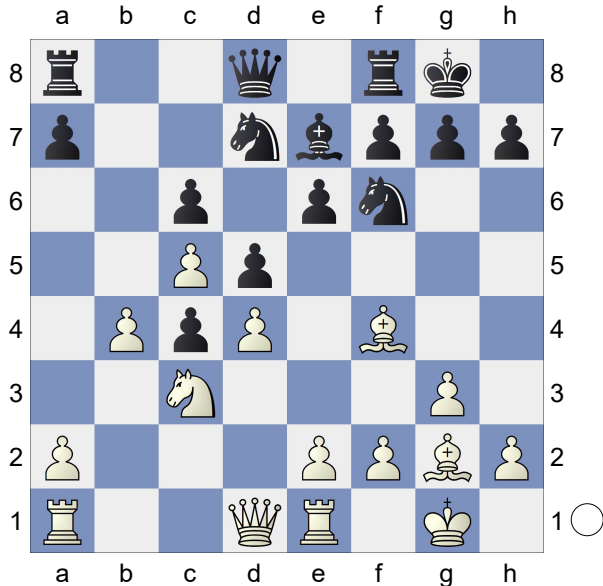
(Diagram)

Perhaps premature; White would gladly trade Nd2 for the bishop. **13.Nd2 b5?!**

[13...a5 14.Nxc4 dxc4 15.b5! cxb5
 16.c6 b4 17.d5!]
 [13...Ba6!±]



14.Nxc4 bxc4



Black created a passed pawn. The position is still fairly locked and White has plans to expand the queenside. (ew: sf 18: +-) **15.e4** Unnecessarily complicates the game. White should try to not lose the thread and focus on the queenside. (ew: only slightly worse, i.e. also winning)

[15.Qa4 Attacks the weak pawn on c6 and prepares for b5 Qc8]

15...Nb8

[15...dxe4 16.Nxe4 Nd5 17.Bd6 a5]

16.e5 Now the center is locked, White's DSB isn't good, but Black's knights have

nowhere to go, so I thought it would be worth the trade-off.

[16.b5 Stockfish gave this line, which flew over my head during the game. I calculated b5 cxb5 then Nxb5, which I wasn't sure about. I did not taking into account the center pawns and the rook sac tactic. cxb5 17.exd5

(17.Nxb5!?) 17...exd5 18.Rxe7

Qxe7 19.a4 Nc6 (19...b4 20.Nxd5 Nxd5 21.Bxd5) 20.axb5 Nb4

21.Bd6]

[16.a4]

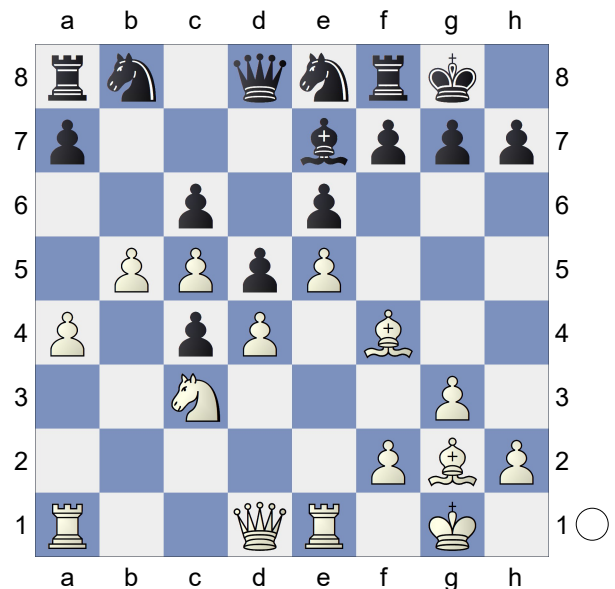
[16.Qe2]

16...Ne8 17.a4 Na6 18.b5

[I thought 18.Rb1 didn't work due to Nxb4 19.Rxb4 Qa5 , forking rook and knight. But 20.Na2! (ew: in fact, everything is won for White here!)]

18...Nb8+-

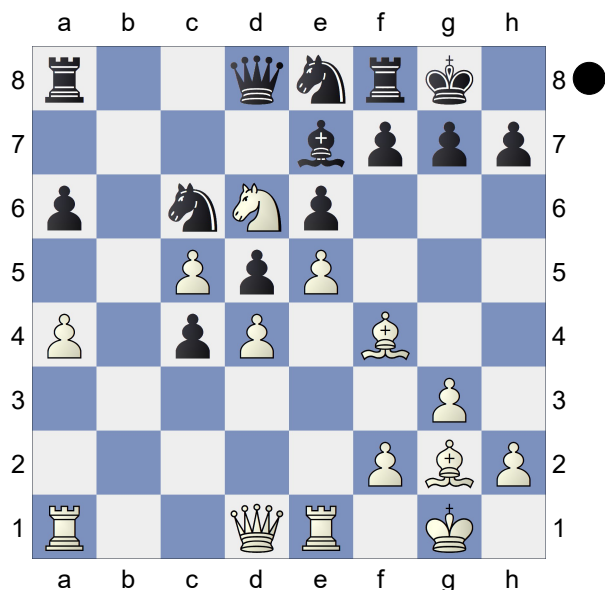
[18...Nb4 19.Bf1]



19.bxc6?? Stockfish only gave this move an inaccuracy (\$6), but I would re-classify it as a blunder. bxc6 allowing Nc6 just now threw the entire game away for White.

[19.h4 Attacking on both sides, now that Black's pieces are tied up Qd7 20.h5 (20.Bh3; 20.Qg4)]

[19.Qd2]
19...Nxc6± 20.Nb5
 [20.Rb1]
 [20.h4]
20...a6 21.Nd6
 [21.Be3]
 [21.Na3]



21...Nxd6 I hallucinated here and thought after 22. cxd5, Black's DSB is trapped. And now I realized it still has
22... Bg5. 22.exd6=

[22.cxd6 Bg5=]
22...Bg5?
 [22...Bf6 23.Be3 Rb8=]
23.Bxg5?

[23.Be3± Bf6]
 [23.Qd2? Bxf4 (23...c3 I, again, hallucinated here that after Qxc3 the d4 pawn would be hanging. It's been a long day.) 24.Qxf4 Rb8=]

23...Qxg5

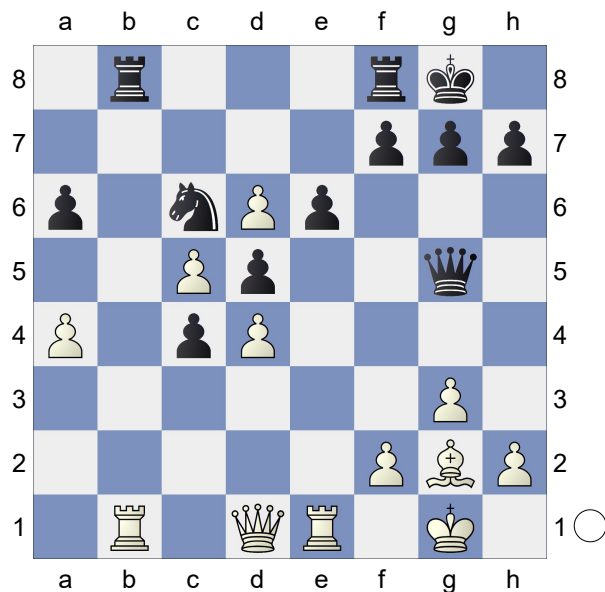
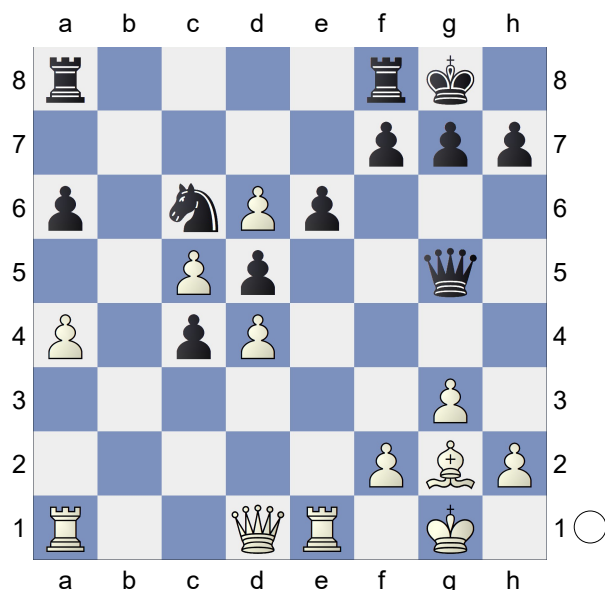
(Diagram)

24.Rb1? (ew)

[24.Rc1! Qf6? (24...Rac8 25.f4 Qf6 26.Re5!=) 25.Rxc4!+-]

24...Rab8±

(Diagram)



25.f4

[25.Qe2 I crossed-out this line due to Nxd4, Stockfish thinks this is ok but honestly I wouldn't know how to evaluate the existing position.

A) 25...Qf6 26.Rxb8

A1) 26...Rxb8 27.Bxd5 Nxd4
 (27...exd5 can't be taken
 28.Qe8+ Rxe8 29.Rxe8#)
 28.Qe3;

A2) 26...Nxb8 27.Qb2 Qd8;

B) 25...Qf5;

C) 25...Nxd4 26.Qe3 Rxb1
 27.Rxb1 Qxe3 28.fxe3 Nc6 29.e4
 (29.Rb7 Most natural move it

seems, but worse for White *Rb8*)

29...d4 30.e5]

25...Qf6+ 26.Qd2

[26.Re5 I considered this idea, then realized it doesn't work here because Black can go *Nxd4* instead of *NxRe5 Rxb1* (26...*Nxe5* 27.*dxe5*) 27.Qxb1 *Nxd4* (27...*Rb8!* 28.Qd1 *h5!-+*)]

26...Qxd4+ 27.Qxd4 Nxd4=

The game is even again, but I didn't feel like it -- White is still defending and looking for counterplay. I started paying attention to *Bxd5* ideas and thought --- what are the conditions for *Bxd5* to work? **28.Rxb8?** I thought it is natural to trade off one rook, so that the only rook left would be overloaded defending the back rank and the connected passed pawns c5 d6, creating tactical chances. Well, the problem is Black's c-pawn is now very strong.

[28.Rbd1

A) 28...Nc6?! 29.f5! Nb4
(29...*exf5* 30.*Bxd5*) 30.*fxe6* *fxe6*
31.*Rxe6*;

B) 28...Nc2 The only sequence for Black to not be worse, given if White finds *f5* ideas 29.d7 (29.*Re2 Nb4* 30.*f5*) 29...*Nxe1* (29...*Rbd8*) 30.*Rxe1*]

28...Rxb8 29.f5?! White found *f5*, but wasn't precise. The whole idea is to distract Black's knight, get the pawn on d7 and get *Bxd5* in.

[29.Rd1 c3 (29...*Nc6* 30.*f5*) 30.Be4 *f5* 31.Bc2 *Nc6* (31...*Nxc2* 32.c6)]

29...Nxf5

[29...c3 My opponent had to ignore *f5* and push their c-pawn instead.
30.*fxe6* (30.d7 *Kf8*) 30...*fxe6*
31.*Bxd5* *exd5* 32.d7 White has nothing here (32.*Rc1* Matter of time *Kf7*; 32.*Re7* c2 White is done for.)
32...*Kf7* (32...*Nf3+*; 32...*Kf8*) 33.c6
(33.*Rc1* *Ne2+*) 33...*Nxc6*]

30.d7

[30.*Bxd5!* I can actually play the move right here \$1 I did it in reversed order. The problem with playing d7 first, is that Black has *Ne7* or *Rde8* as the defensive resource. Which, I did not account for when calculating the sequence. *Nxd6* 31.*Bxe6* (31.*cx**d6* *exd5*) 31...*fxe6* 32.*cx**d6* *Kf7* 33.*Re5* *Rb6* 34.*Rc5* The game is equalized.]

30...Nd4?? Luckily, my opponent missed the idea. Now my calculation is \"correct\".

[30...*Ne7* 31.c6 (31.*Bxd5* *Nxd5* 32.c6 *Kf8*) 31...*Nxc6* (31...*Rd8*) 32.*Bxd5* *Nd8* 33.*Bxc4* *Rb4* 34.*Bxa6* *Rxa4* 35.*Bb5* (35.*Rc1*)]
[30...*Rd8* 31.*Bxd5* *Rxd7* 32.*Bxc4* *Rc7* 33.*Bxa6* *Rxc5*]

31.Bxd5!! And everything falls into place \$1 (Note: the brilliancies were awarded by Stockfish) **31...c3 32.Be4**

[32.c6]

32...f5

[32...c2 33.*Bxc2* *Nf3+* 34.*Kf2* *Nxe1* 35.c6 *Nxc2* 36.c7]

33.c6!! Nxc6 Black has no way to defend from here.

[33...*fxe4* 34.c7! *Nf3+* 35.*Kf2* *Nxe1* 36.*cx**b8Q+*]

[33...c2

A) 34.c7 *fxe4* (34...*Rf8* 35.*Bxc2*);

B) 34.Bxc2 *Nf3+*]

34.Bxc6 c2 35.Kg2

[35.*Rc1* *Rb1* 36.d8Q+]

35...Kf7 36.Rc1 Ke7 37.Rxc2 e5

38.Rd2 Rd8 39.Kf3 g5

[39...a5 40.h3]

40.h3

[40.g4 f4 41.*Ke4*]

40...h5

[40...e4+ 41.*Ke3* h5 42.*Rd5* h4 43.gxh4 gxh4 44.*Re5+* *Kd6* 45.*Re8*]
[40...a5 41.*Rd5*]

41.a5 g4+ 42.hxg4 hxg4+ 43.Ke3

Rb8 44.d8Q+ Rxd8 45.Rxd8 Kxd8
46.Bb7 Kc7 47.Bxa6 Kc6 48.Bd3 f4+
49.gxf4 exf4+ 50.Kxf4 g3 51.Kxg3
Kc7 52.Kf4 Kb8 53.Ke5 Ka7 54.a6
Kb8 55.Kd6 Ka7 56.Kc7 Ka8 57.Kb6

A miraculous endgame swindle for
White.

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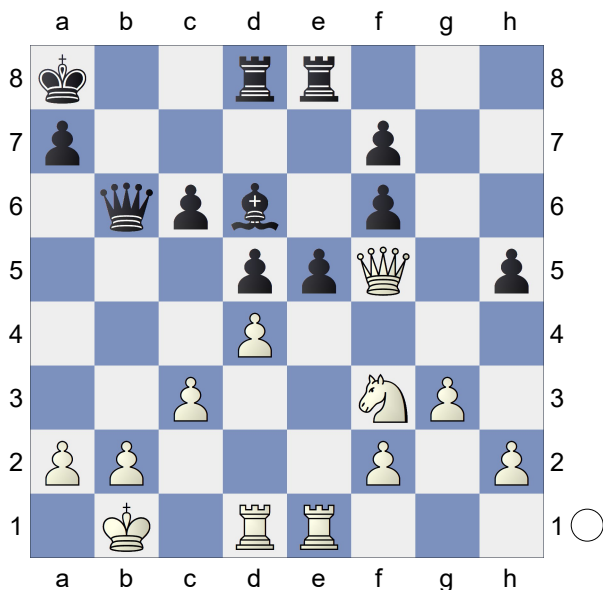
□ Pickering, Carl Anthony

■ Kosuri, Dev Isak

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[Winslow, Elliott]

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.Bd3
Nc6 5.c3 Nf6 6.Bf4 Bg4 7.Qb3 Qd7
8.Nd2 e6 9.Ngf3 Bd6 10.Ne5 Qc7
11.Nxg4 Bxf4 12.Nxf6+ gxf6 13.Qc2
0-0-0 14.g3 Bd6 15.0-0-0 Kb8 16.Kb1
h5 17.Nf3 e5 18.Bb5 Qb6 19.Bxc6
bxc6 20.Rhe1 Rhe8 21.Qf5 Ka8



22.Qxf6 Ba3 23.b3 e4 24.Ne5 Rc8
25.f3 Qa5 26.Re3 c5 27.dxc5 Bxc5
28.b4 Qb5 29.Ree1 Bxb4 30.a4 Qxa4
31.Rd2 Bxc3 32.Ra2 Qb3+

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□ Chan, John

■ Sevall, Daniel

2026 Summer TNM: 1600-1999 (3.18)

1.Nf3 d5 2.d4 Nf6 3.c3 Bf5 4.g3 c6
5.Bg2 Qc8 6.Bf4 h6 7.Nbd2 g5 8.Be5
Nbd7 9.b4 Nxe5 10.Nxe5 Nd7 11.Nef3
Bg7 12.h3 0-0 13.g4 Bg6 14.Nf1 Re8
15.Ng3 e5 16.0-0 e4 17.Ne1 Nf8
18.e3 Nd7 19.a4 Nb6 20.Ra2 Nc4
21.Nc2 Qd7 22.Re1 Nd6 23.Na3 f5
24.b5 f4 25.exf4 gxf4 26.Nf1 f3
27.Bh1 Nf7 28.Ng3 Ng5 29.Kh2 Bf8
30.Nc2 Bd6 31.Ne3 h5 32.h4 Nh7
33.c4 Nf6 34.c5 Bc7 35.Qd2 Nxg4+
36.Nxg4 Qxg4 37.Qg5 Qxg5 38.hxg5
h4 39.Kh3 hxg3 40.fxg3 Kg7 41.Kh2
Rh8+ 42.Kg1 Bxg3 43.Rd1 Bf4
44.Re1 Rh5 45.Bxf3 exf3 46.Re7+ Bf7
47.Kf2 Rh2+ 48.Kxf3 Rxa2 49.Kxf4
Re8 50.Rxb7 Re4+ 51.Kf3 Ra3+
52.Kf2 Rf4+ 53.Ke2 Rh4 54.Kf2 Rh2+
55.Kg1 Rc2
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□ Boyer, John

■ Toczyski, David Paul

2026 Summer TNM: 1600-1999 (3.19)

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.Ne2 e6
5.Ng3 Bg6 6.h4 h6 7.h5 Bh7 8.Bd3
Bxd3 9.cxd3 Nd7 10.Be3 c5 11.dxc5
Nxe5 12.f4 Nc6 13.d4 Be7 14.Qg4
Bf6 15.Ne2 Nge7 16.Qf3 Nf5 17.Qf2
Qa5+ 18.Nbc3 Qb4 19.0-0 Ncxd4
20.a3 Nxe2+ 21.Nxe2 Qb3 22.Bd4
Nxd4 23.Nxd4 Qa4 24.Rfd1 Bxd4
25.Rxd4 Qc6 26.b4 0-0 27.Rad1 Rad8
28.Qf3 Rd7 29.R1d3 f5 30.Re3 Re8
31.Qe2 Rde7 32.Re5 Qc7 33.Kh1 Kh7
34.Rd3 Qd7 35.Rg3 Rg8 36.Rg6
Rge8 37.Qd3 Rf8 38.g4 Rf6 39.Rxf6

gxf6 40.gxf5 fxe5 41.fxe6+ e4 42.exd7
 exd3 43.d8Q Re1+ 44.Kg2 d2
 45.Qd7+ Kh8 46.Qc8+ Kg7 47.Qxb7+
 Kh8 48.Qb8+ Kg7 49.Qxa7+ Kf6
 50.Qb6+ Kf5 51.Qg6+ Kxf4 52.Qxh6+
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□ Siegel,David

■ Fitzgerald,William

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[Siegel,David]

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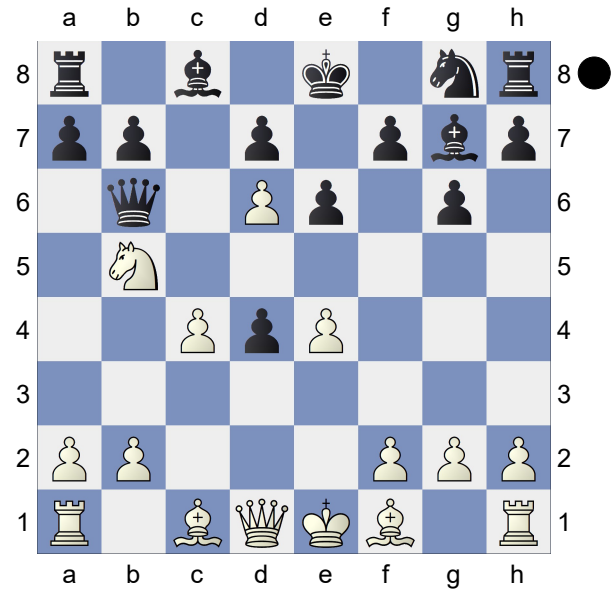
1.c4 e6 2.e4 c5 3.Nc3 Nc6 4.Nf3 g6
 4... g6 has been played before, even by
 two 2600s, but it felt too slow to me. **5.d4**
Bg7

[Relevant: 5...cxd4 6.Nxd4 Bg7
 7.Ndb5 Nge7 8.Nd6+ Kf8 9.Be3 b6
 10.Be2 Ba6 11.0-0 Nc8 12.Rc1
 Nxd6 13.Qxd6+ Qe7 14.Qd2 Rd8
 15.Rfd1 h5 16.a3 Bf6 17.b4 Bb7
 18.c5 bxc5 19.Bxc5 d6 20.Bxd6
 Rxd6 21.Qxd6 Qxd6 22.Rxd6 Ke7
 23.Rcd1 Nb8 24.Na4 Bxe4 25.R6d2
 Bg5 26.Ra2 Bd5 27.Rb2 Bf6
 28.Rbb1 Nc6 29.Bf3 Bxf3 30.gxf3
 Nd4 31.Kg2 h4 32.h3 Rh5 33.f4 g5
 34.Rbc1 gxf4 35.Rc7+ Garakov,M
 (2447)-Sarana,A (2717) Chess.com
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6.d5 Nd4 7.Nxd4 cxd4 8.Nb5 Qb6
 White isn't winning on the spot but
 everything is painful for Black. The best
 move here is 9. c5 immediately, and the
 point is that after 9... Qxc5 10. Bf4 e5 11.
 Rc1 there are all kinds of tactics and no
 good spot for the queen. **9.d6**

(Diagram)

The computer doesn't hate 9. d6, but it
 thinks there are better moves. **9...Kf8N**
 [Predecessor: 9...Rb8 10.f4 Nh6



11.Nc7+ Kf8 12.e5 f6 13.Bd3 Nf7
 14.0-0 a6 15.Qc2 Nxd6 16.Nxe6+
 dxe6 17.c5 Qc6 18.exd6 Bd7 19.b4
 Kf7 20.Bb2 f5 21.a4 b6 22.Bxa6
 bxc5 23.Bb5 Qxd6 24.Qxc5 Qxc5
 25.bxc5 Rhd8 26.Bxd7 Rxd7 27.Ra2
 Rc8 28.Rc1 Rd5 29.Ba3 d3 30.c6
 Bd4+ 31.Kf1 Be3 32.Rb1 Rxc6
 33.Rb7+ Ke8 34.Re7+ Kd8 35.Rxh7
 d2 36.Rh8+ Kd7 37.Rh7+ Ke8
 38.Re7+ Kd8 39.Rxd2 Duinmaijer,M
 (1831)-Van Riemsdijk,H (2420)
 Vlissingen 2007 0-1]

10.Qc2 Qc5 11.Rb1 a6 12.b4 Qc6
13.Nc7 Rb8 14.c5 b6 15.Bxa6 bxc5
16.Bxc8 I missed some of the back rank
 tactics here — 16. bxc5 would have
 been better. **16...Qxd6 17.bxc5 Qxc7**
18.Rxb8 Qxb8 19.Bxd7 Ke7

After the game, Will and I thought 19...
 Nf6 would have been a better try (the
 computer prefers 19... Be5). In that
 case the immediate 20. c6 doesn't really
 work because the knight captures the
 bishop and the pawn doesn't promote.
 Best would be for White to retreat the
 bishop, castle, and regroup to prepare
 the pawn push. **20.c6 Qc7 21.Ba3+**
Kd8 22.Qc5 Qb8 There is a forced
 mate in 3 for White after 22... Qb8 but I

stopped calculating when I saw a
winning position. **23.Bb4**
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□ **Gutta,Anirudh**

■ **Vazquez,Dominic A**

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1.c4 e5 2.g3 Nf6 3.Bg2 c6 4.Nc3
Bb4 5.e3 0-0 6.Nge2 d6 7.0-0 Be6
8.b3 d5 9.cxd5 cxd5 10.Bb2 Nc6
11.Rc1 Rc8 12.d4 e4 13.f3 exf3
14.Bxf3 Ng4 15.Qd2 Re8 16.Rfe1
Qg5 17.Nf4 Ne7 18.Qe2 Bxc3
19.Bxc3 a6 20.Nxe6 fxe6 21.Bxg4
Rc6 22.Bb4 Rec8 23.Bxe7 Qxe7
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□ **Simberg,Benjamin**

■ **Gore,Neel**

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1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.g3 Bf5
5.Bg2 e6 6.0-0 Be7 7.Nc3 h6 8.Re1
Ne4 9.Nd2 Nxc3 10.bxc3 0-0 11.e4
dxe4 12.Nxe4 Qa5 13.Qb3 Qb6 14.c5
Qxb3 15.axb3 Rd8 16.Bf4 Bxe4
17.Bxe4 Nd7 18.b4 Nf6 19.Bf3 Nd5
20.Bxd5 Rxd5 21.Reb1 a6 22.b5 g5
23.Be3 b6 24.Rxa6 Rxa6 25.bxa6 b5
26.c4 Rd8 27.cxb5 cxb5 28.Rxb5 Ra8
29.Rb7 Bd8 30.a7 f5 31.c6
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□ **Liu,Jinfeng**

■ **Stults,Sawyer**

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1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 e6 3.c4 c5 4.e3 Nc6
5.Nc3 Nf6 6.a3 Be7 7.dxc5 Bxc5 8.b4
Be7 9.Bb2 0-0 10.cxd5 exd5 11.Be2
Bg4 12.Nd4 Qd7 13.h3 Be6 14.Rc1
a6 15.Na4 Qd6 16.0-0 Ne5 17.Nc5
b5 18.Rc2 Nc4 19.Bf3 Qb6 20.Nd3
a5 21.Nxe6 fxe6 22.Bd4 Qd8 23.Qc1
Bd6 24.Bc5 e5 25.Bxd6 Qxd6 26.Nc5
e4 27.Be2 axb4 28.axb4 Qe5 29.Rd1
Ra7 30.Rc3 Rfa8 31.Bxc4 dxc4
32.Qd2 Ra2 33.Rc2 R2a3 34.Qd6
Qxd6 35.Rxd6 Ra1+ 36.Kh2 Rb1
37.Na6 Nd5 38.Rxd5 Rxa6 39.Rxb5
Rc6 40.Re5 c3 41.Rc5 Rd6 42.R5xc3
Rxb4 43.Rc4 Rxc4 44.Rxc4 Re6
45.Rc5 Kf7 46.g4 Kf6 47.Rf5+ Ke7
48.Kg3 g6 49.Ra5 h6 50.Ra7+ Kd6
51.Ra6+ Ke7 52.Rxe6+ Kxe6 53.Kf4
Kd5 54.h4 g5+ 55.hxg5 hxg5+ 56.Kf5
Kd6 57.Kxe4
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D11

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□ **Everett,Willard**

■ **Casares,Nick**

2026 Summer TNM: 1600-1999 (3.24)

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5
Nbd7 5.cxd5 Bb4 6.dxe6 Bxc3+
7.bxc3 fxe6 8.e4 e5 9.Bc4 Nb6
10.Bb3 Qd6 11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.Qh5+
Kd8 13.Rd1 Qe7 14.dxe5+ Bd7 15.e6
a5 16.Qf5 a4 17.Bc4 Qf8 18.Be2 Ke7
19.exd7 Kd8 20.Bg4 Qg7 21.Ne2 Nc4
22.Nf4 Ra6 23.Ne6+ Rxe6 24.Qxe6
h5 25.Bxh5 Nd6 26.Bg4 f5 27.Bf3
Qxc3+ 28.Kf1 Nc4 29.Qd5 Nd6 30.e5
Nf7 31.Qxb7
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□ Rosston, Andrew Burkett

■ McCutcheon, Bennett

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[Rosston, Andrew Burkett]

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nc3 Nc6 4.Nd5

For Danya! A 10+ minute think ensued here, but Black had good defensive instincts. Theory branches out heavily, as Black can capture knight or pawn, develop the bishop to c5, or play d6, and each option itself has a number of reasonable branchings for Black, often only tested in blitz games by the late grandmaster. Nxe4 is the "main line" if one is prepared for the raging attack that follows, after which GM Arturs Nieksans suggests 5. d4 d6 6. Bb5 for a version of the Spanish, or rapid development, usually with Bd3 and/or Qe2, in a number of other lines. Play can resemble all manner of Open Game variations, especially the Spanish, as the knights' position is the only differentiating factor from main lines.

4...d6 5.Bb5?!N A mix-up of theory - Nieksans suggests d4 first. Either way, this will resemble a version of the Spanish Steinitz Defense. **5...a6**

6.Bxc6+ bxc6 7.Nxf6+ gxf6!?∞

Opening both the b and g files causes some issues for White's king safety as well, but Black's can never find permanent shelter.

[7...Qxf6 More similar to some theoretical lines and much safer for Black]

8.d4? A misunderstanding of the position - White has not sacrificed and needs to play solidly for positional advantages.

[8.d3]

[8.Nh4 d5 This immediate expansion was concerning, but the engine says

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White is still better.]

8...Rg8 9.Nh4?? Rg4 appeared to be prevented but was not.

[9.Be3 Rxd2 10.Nh4 (10.Nd2)

10...Rg4 11.Nf5 (11.Qf3) 11...Rxe4

12.Qh5 A gambit not worth the

compensation (12.Qf3)]

[9.g3 Bg4 10.Qd3 Bxf3 11.Qxf3

exd4 The better way to offer up a

pawn]

9...Rg4

[9...Bg4 10.f3 (10.Qd3)]

10.g3?

[10.Nf3 Rxe4+ 11.Be3]

[10.Nf5 Rxe4+ White is still forked -

an important detail that was missed

11.Ne3 exd4]

10...Rxe4+ 11.Kf1 Rxd4 12.Qf3

This square is the correct place for the queen in the true Steinitz, with an excellent diagonal and threats against the black kingside, though it is too little here for the two pawn loss. **12...e4**

13.Qc3 Rd1+

[13...c5 14.Be3 Rd5 The rook is

nearly trapped but escapes in all

lines]

14.Kg2 Bh3+??

[14...Rxd1 15.Qxc6+

A) 15...Qd7 16.Qxe4+ (16.Qxa8

Qh3+ 17.Kxh1 Qf1#) 16...Qe6

17.Qc6+ Kd8#;

B) 15...Bd7 16.Qxe4+ Be7

17.Kxh1 Rb8 18.b3]

15.Kxh3 Rxd1 16.Kg2! Black missed this ghost move, eliminating the indirect defense against Qxc6 with Qd7+ forcing the queen trade.

[16.Qxc6+ Qd7+]

16...Rxc1

[16...Rd1 17.Qxc6+ Ke7 (17...Qd7

18.Qxa8+) 18.Nf5+ (18.Qxe4+ Kd7

19.Qg4+) 18...Ke6 19.Qxe4+ Kd7

20.Qg4]

17.Qxc6+ Ke7 18.Rxc1

[18.Nf5+ Ke6
A) 19.Qxe4+ Kd7 20.Qa4+
 (20.Rxc1) 20...Kc8 The king
 escapes;
B) 19.Nd4+ Ke5 20.Rxc1]

18...Qe8

[18...Ra7

A) 19.Nf5+ Ke6

A1) 20.Nd4+ Ke5 21.f4+ Kxd4
 (21...exf3+ 22.Nxf3+) 22.Rd1+
 Ke3 23.Qc3+;

A2) 20.Qxe4+ Kd7;

B) 19.Re1;

C) 19.Qxe4+ Kd7]

[18...Qc8 19.Re1]

19.Nf5+

[19.Qxc7+ Qd7 20.Nf5+ Ke6
 21.Qxd7+ Kxd7 22.Rd1]

19...Ke6 20.Nd4+ Ke5 21.f4+ exf3+
 [21...Kxd4 22.Rd1+ Ke3 23.Qc3+
 Ke2 24.Qe1#]

22.Nxf3+ Kf5 23.Nh4+

[23.Qd5+ Kg6 24.Re1 Qc8]

23...Kg5 24.Qf3 Qc8 25.Rf1 Be7

26.Qf4+ Kh5 27.Nf5

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□ Ploquin,Phil

■ Babayan,Gagik

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[Winslow,Elliott]

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1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 d6 4.h3

Bd7 5.0-0 Nf6 6.Nc3 a6

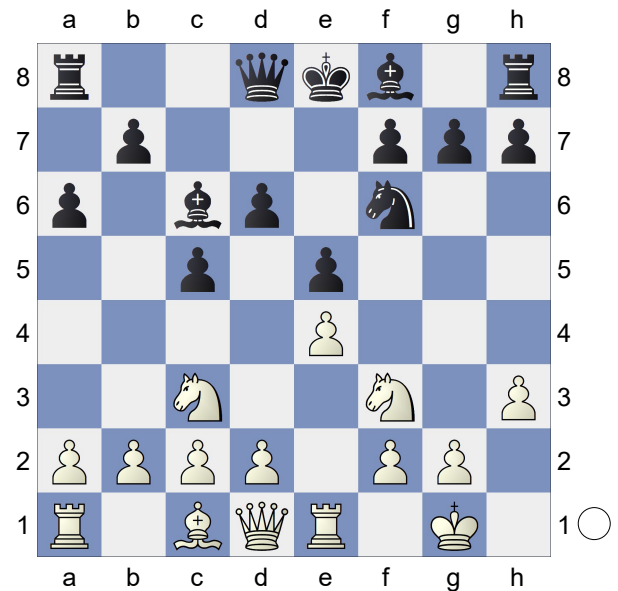
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 Bxc6 9.d4 0-0 10.d5 exd5 11.exd5
 Bd7 12.a4 Re8 13.Bf4 Qb6 14.Qd3
 c4 15.Qd2 h6 16.a5 Qb4 17.Ne4
 Qxd2 18.Nfxd2 Nxd5 19.Bxd6 c3
 20.bxc3 Bc6 21.c4 Nb4 22.Bxb4
 Bxb4 23.c3 Bf8 24.Ng3 Rxe1+
 25.Rxe1 Rd8 26.Nb3 Rd3 27.Nd4
 Rxc3 28.Nxc6 bxc6 29.Re8 Ra3

30.Nf5 f6 31.Nd4 Rxa5 32.Nxc6

Ra1+ 33.Kh2 Kf7 34.Rd8 Bc5

35.Kg3 Ra2 36.Rd7+ Subelj,J (2526)-
 Korobov,A (2629) Skopje 2024 ½-½]

7.Bxc6 Bxc6 8.Re1 e5



9.a4N

[Predecessor: 9.d3 Be7 10.Bg5 0-0
 11.Bxf6 Bxf6 12.Nd5 Bxd5 13.exd5
 g6 14.c4 b5 15.Rc1 bxc4 16.Rxc4
 Rb8 17.b3 Qc8 18.Nd2 Qb7 19.Ne4
 Be7 20.Qf3 f5 21.Nc3 Bd8 22.Re2
 Qd7 23.Nd1 Bg5 24.Ra4 Rb6
 25.Nb2 Ra8 26.Nc4 Rb4 27.Rxb4
 cxb4 28.d4 e4 29.Qg3 Qe7 30.h4
 Bxh4 31.Qf4 Bg5 32.Qg3 Rd8
 33.Na5 Rc8 34.Nc6 Qf6 35.f4 Bh6
 36.Qe3 Qf7 37.g3 Bf8 38.Nxb4 a5
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**9...Be7 10.a5 0-0 11.d3 Bd7 12.Ne2
 Ne8 13.Ng3 g6 14.Bh6 Ng7 15.Qd2
 f5 16.exf5 gxf5**

(Diagram)

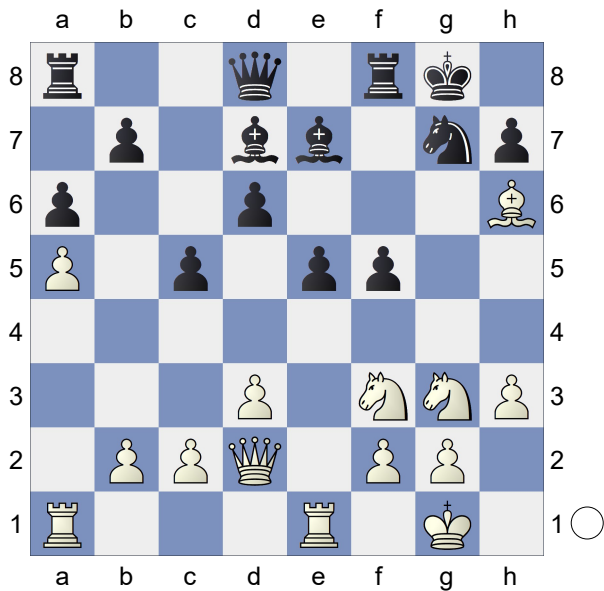
17.Bg5?

[17.b4! cxb4 18.Qxb4±]

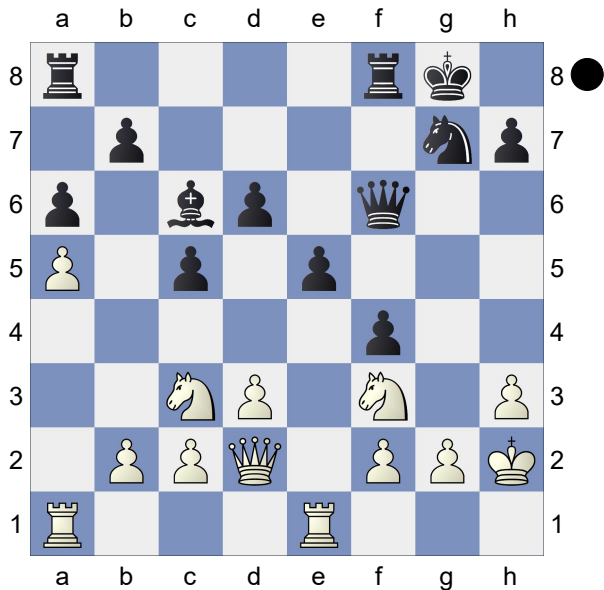
17...f4?

[17...Ne6-+]

18.Bxe7 Qxe7 19.Ne2?



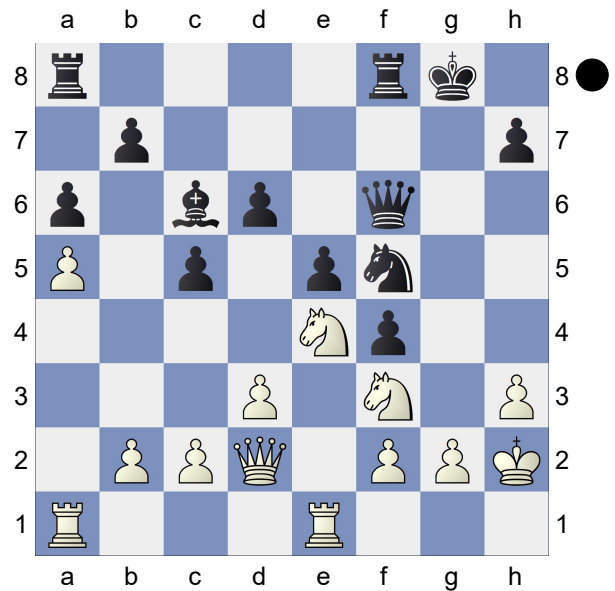
[19.Ne4 $\bar{+}$]
**19...Bc6 20.Kh2 Qf6?!
 [20...Bxf3 21.gxf3 Kh8+]
 21.Nc3**



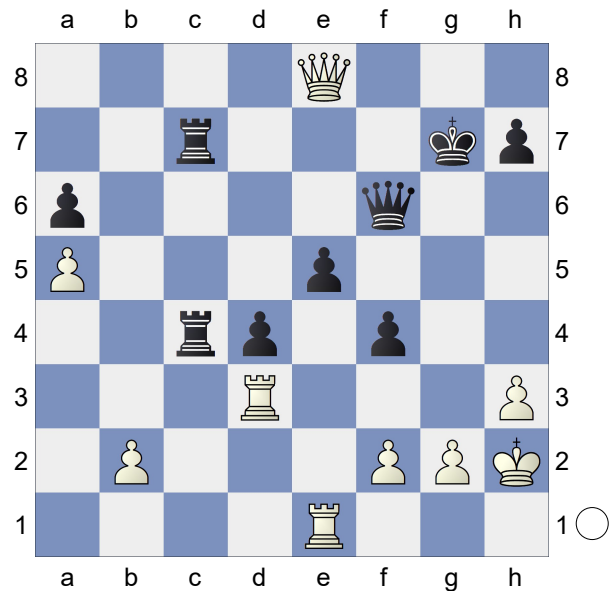
Nf5?
 [21...Bxf3 22.gxf3 Kh8 $\bar{+}$]
22.Ne4

(Diagram)

Bxe4?!
 [22...Qh6=]
**23.dxe4 $\pm$ Nd4 24.Ra3?! Rf7 25.Nxd4
 cxd4 26.c3 Rc8?!
 [26...dxc3 27.Rxc3 Kh8 $\pm$]**



**27.cxd4+- exd4 28.Rd3 Rfc7 29.Qb4
 Rc4 30.Qxb7 R8c6 31.Qd7 Rc7
 32.Qe8+ Kg7 33.e5 dxe5**



34.Qxe5? $\pm$
 [34.Rxe5+-]
**34...R7c5 35.Qxf6+?!+-
 [35.Qe8+-]
 35...Kxf6 36.Re4? $\pm$
 [36.Rf3 Rxa5 37.g4+-]
**36...Kf5 37.Rdxd4 Rxd4 38.Rxd4
 Rxa5 39.g3
 [39.Rd7 Kg6 40.Rb7=]
 39...fxg3+ 40.fgx3 Rb5 41.b4 a5
 42.bxa5 Rxa5
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□ Mays-Smith, Isaac S

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■ Sloan, Sacha Marino

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[Winslow, Elliott]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4
Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Be3 e6 7.f3 Be7
8.Qd2 Qc7 9.g4 Nc6 10.g5 Nd7
11.0-0-0 b5 12.Kb1 Nde5 13.Qg2
Bd7 14.f4 Nc4?!

[14...Nxd4 15.Rxd4 Nc6 16.Rd2 b4
17.Ne2±]

[14...b4!? 15.Nce2 Nc4 16.Bc1±]

15.Bxc4 bxc4 16.f5+- Nxd4 17.Bxd4
exf5 18.exf5 Bxf5?!

[18...Bc6]

19.Qxa8+ Bc8 20.Nd5 Qb7 21.Nb6
Qxa8 22.Nxa8 Bb7 23.Nc7+ Kd7
24.Rhe1 Bxg5 25.Bb6 Rc8 26.Nd5
Bxd5 27.Rxd5 Bf4 28.Rf5 Bxh2
29.Rxf7+ Kc6 30.Ba5 Be5 31.Bc3
Bxc3 32.bxc3
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□ Baumholtz, Matthew

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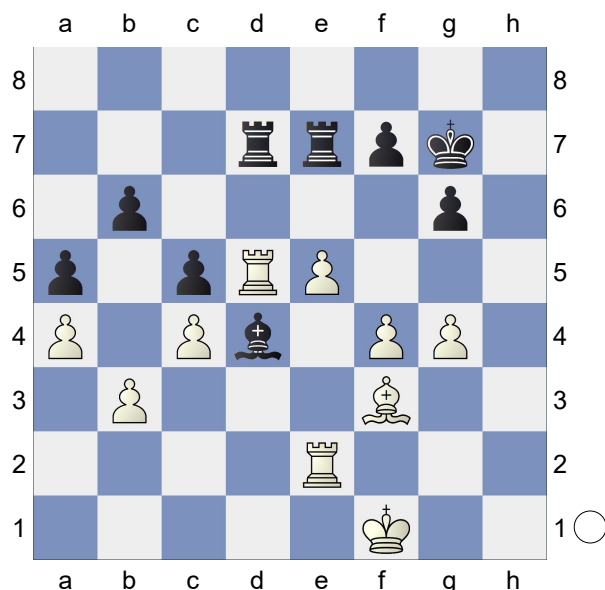
■ Agdamag, Samuel

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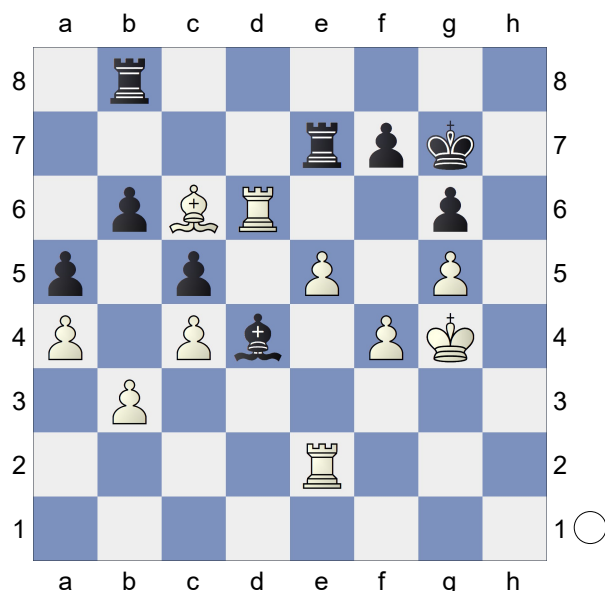
2026 Summer TNM: 1600-1999 (3.28)

[Winslow, Elliott]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.Nc3
0-0 5.e4 d6 6.h3 e5 7.Bg5
[7.d5]
7...h6 8.Bh4 Nc6 9.Be2 exd4
10.Nxd4 Nxd4 11.Qxd4 Be6 12.0-0
a6 13.Rad1 Qc8 14.Bxf6 c5 15.Qxd6
Bxf6 16.Nd5 Bxd5 17.Rxd5 Bd4
18.b3 a5 19.a4 Ra6 20.Qf4 Kg7
21.Bg4 Qb8 22.Qxb8 Rxb8 23.Bd7
Rb6 24.Bb5 Re6 25.Re1 Rf6 26.Re2
b6 27.Kf1 Re6 28.f4 Rb7 29.Bd7
Re7 30.Bg4 h5 31.Bf3 Rbd7 32.e5
Kf8 33.g4 hxg4 34.hxg4 Kg7



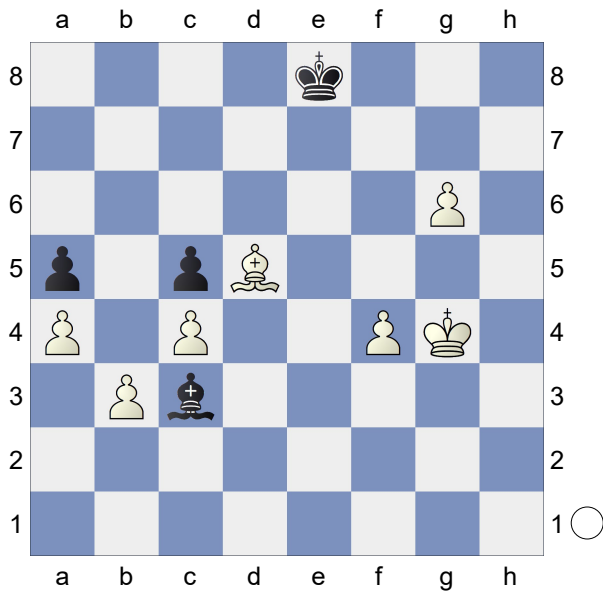
35.g5 Kg8 36.Bg4 Rb7 37.Rd6 Kg7
38.Kg2 Kf8 39.Kg3 Kg7 40.Bf3 Rb8
41.Kg4 Kf8 42.Bc6 Kg7



43.e6 fxe6 44.Rxe6 Rxe6 45.Rxe6
Kf7 46.Rd6 Kg7 47.Be4 Re8 48.Bxg6
Re3 49.Rxb6 Bc3 50.Rb7+ Kg8
51.Bf7+ Kf8 52.g6 Re1 53.Bd5 Re7
54.Rb8+ Re8 55.Rxe8+ Kxe8

(Diagram)

56.Kg5 Kf8 57.f5 Kg7 58.Be6 Bf6+
59.Kf4 Bc3 60.Ke4 Kf6 61.Kd5 Bb4
62.Kd6 Ba3 63.Kd7 Bb2 64.Kc6 Ba3
65.Bd5 Bb4 66.Kd6 Ba3 67.Kd7 Bb2



17.Nf3 Rxf3 18.gxf3 Qh4 19.f4 Qxh6
20.f3 Bxf4 21.Qg2 exd5 22.cxd5 Bh3
23.Qe2 Bxf1 24.Rxf1 Qg5+ 25.Kh1
Qe5 26.Be4 Nf6 27.Qg2 Nxe4 28.fxe4
Re8 29.Re1 Qxd5 30.Qf3 Qd2 31.Re2
Qc1+ 32.Kg2 Re5 33.Qb3+ d5 34.Kf3
Kh8 35.Qxb7 dxe4+ 36.Kg2 Rg5+
37.Kf2 Qg1#
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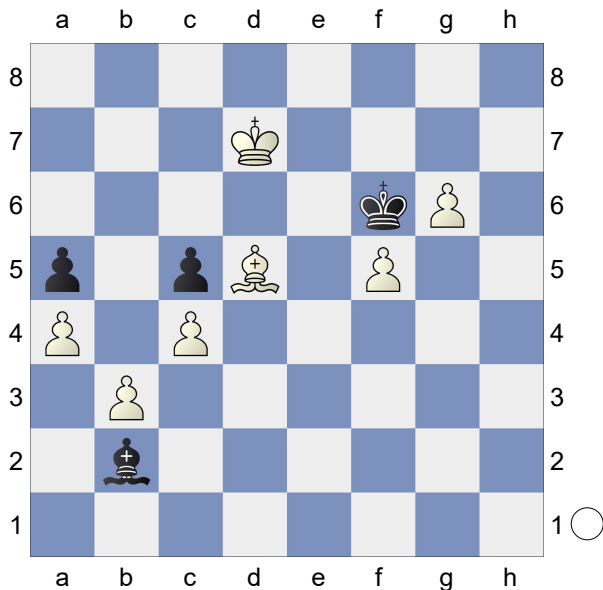
□ Stein-Smith,Walter

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■ Huang,Rowan

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2026 Summer TNM: u1600 (3.29) 21.7.26



1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 dxe4 4.Nxe4
Nf6 5.Nxf6+ exf6 6.Nf3 Be6 7.Be2
Bd6 8.0-0 0-0 9.Be3 Nd7 10.a4 a5
11.Qd2 Qc7 12.h3 Rfe8 13.Rfd1 Nb6
14.b3 Nd5 15.c4 Nxe3 16.fxe3 Bb4
17.Qc2 Qg3 18.Bd3 Bxh3 19.e4 Bg4
20.Rf1 Re7 21.Ra2 g6 22.d5 Bc5+
23.Kh1 Bxf3 24.gxf3 Re5
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□ Hallman,Justin Adam

■ Kojevnikov,Alexander

2026 Summer TNM: u1600 (3.30) 21.7.26
[Winslow,Elliott]

**68.b4 cxb4 69.c5 Kxf5 70.c6 Be5
71.c7 b3 72.c8Q
1-0**

□ Brown,Nicholas M

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■ Harriman,Connor

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2026 Summer TNM: u1600 (3.6) 21.07.26

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6
5.Nf3 0-0 6.Be2 Nbd7 7.0-0 c5 8.d5
Ne8 9.Be3 f5 10.exf5 Rxf5 11.Bd3
Rf8 12.Qd2 Ne5 13.Nxe5 Bxe5
14.Bh6 Rf7 15.Ne4 e6 16.Ng5 Rf6

1.d4 d5 2.e3 e6 3.Bd3 c5 4.c3 Nf6
5.Nd2 b6 6.f4 Bd6 7.Ngf3 Bb7 8.Ne5
0-0 9.0-0 Nbd7 10.Qe1 Ne4 11.Rf3
Ndf6 12.Nf1 Rc8 13.Rh3 Re8
[13...g6!]
14.Qh4 g6=
[14...h6#]
15.Bb5#
[15.Bxe4 dxe4 16.g4]
[15.g4 h5 16.gxh5 Nxh5 17.Qg4
Nh6 18.Qh4 Nh5=]
15...Re7

[15...h5!?]

16.Ng4 Rec7 17.Bd3 Nh5 18.Qe1
cxd4 19.exd4 Nxf4 20.Rf3 Nxd3
21.Rxd3 Bf8 22.Bf4 Re7 23.Be5 Bg7
24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.Qh4 Rec7 26.Qh6+
Kh8 27.Ng3 f5 28.Ne5 Qg5 29.Qh3
Nxc3 30.Rxc3 Qf6 31.Nxc3 Kg7
32.Ne7+ Kh8 33.Nxc8 Rxc8 34.Re1
Rg8 35.Rxc8+ Kxc8 36.Qg3+ Kf7
37.Qe3 Bc8 38.Qe2 h6 39.g4 fxg4
40.Rf1
1-0

□ Nordstrom,Lars

■ Davis,Shane

2026 Summer TNM: u1600 (3.31) 21.7.26
[Winslow,Elliott]

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Bd3 dxe4 4.Bxe4
Nf6 5.Bf3 Bf5 6.Ne2 e6 7.0-0 Bd6
8.Bf4 Bxf4 9.Nxf4 Nbd7 10.c3 Qc7
11.g3 0-0 12.Nd2 e5 13.dxe5 Nxe5
14.Bg2 Rad8 15.Qc1 Nd3 16.Nxd3
Rxd3 17.Nf3 Be4 18.Nh4 Bxg2
19.Kxg2 Rfd8 20.Nf3 Qd6 21.Qc2
Qd5 22.Qe2 Re8 23.Qc2 Qxf3+
24.Kg1 Re2 25.Qb3 Rdd2
0-1

□ Vinay,Vishnu Sai

■ Xu,William

2026 Summer TNM: u1600 (3.32) 21.7.26
[Winslow,Elliott]

Indecipherable from move one (!)

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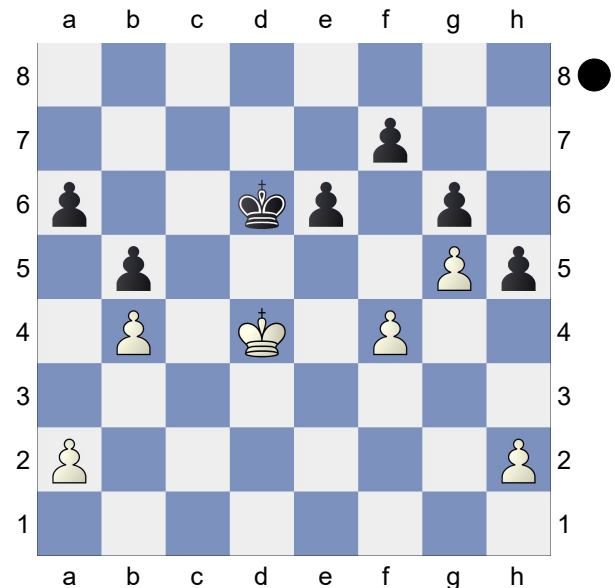
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□ Hack,Richard

■ Brown,Samuel Tseng

2026 Summer TNM: u1600 (3.33) 21.7.26
[Winslow,Elliott]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5
Be7 5.e5 Nfd7 6.Be3 c5 7.Nf3 cxd4
8.Bxd4 Nc6 9.Nb5 a6 10.Nc3 Qc7
11.Qe2 Nxd4 12.Nxd4 Qxe5 13.0-0-0
Qxe2 14.Bxe2 Bc5 15.f4 Nf6 16.Bf3
Bxd4 17.Rxd4 Bd7 18.Re1 0-0 19.g4
Bc6 20.g5 Nd7 21.Bg4 Rfe8 22.Rd2
Rad8 23.Nd1 Nc5 24.Bf3 Nd7
25.Rde2 Bb5 26.Rd2 Nb6 27.b3 Nc8
28.Nf2 Bc6 29.Ng4 Nd6 30.Ne5 Nf5
31.Rd3 Rf8 32.Rc3 Ne7 33.Bh5 g6
34.Be2 Rc8 35.Ng4 Nf5 36.Nf6+ Kg7
37.Rd1 d4 38.Rh3 Rh8 39.Bf3 Bxf3
40.Rxf3 h5 41.Rfd3 Ne3 42.R1d2
Rhd8 43.Ne4 Nf5 44.Kb2 Rc7 45.c3
dxc3+ 46.Nxc3 Rxd3 47.Rxd3 Kf8
48.Ne4 Ke7 49.Rc3 Rxc3 50.Kxc3
Nd6 51.Kd4 Nxe4 52.Kxe4 Kd6
53.Kd4 b5 54.b4=



Kd7?

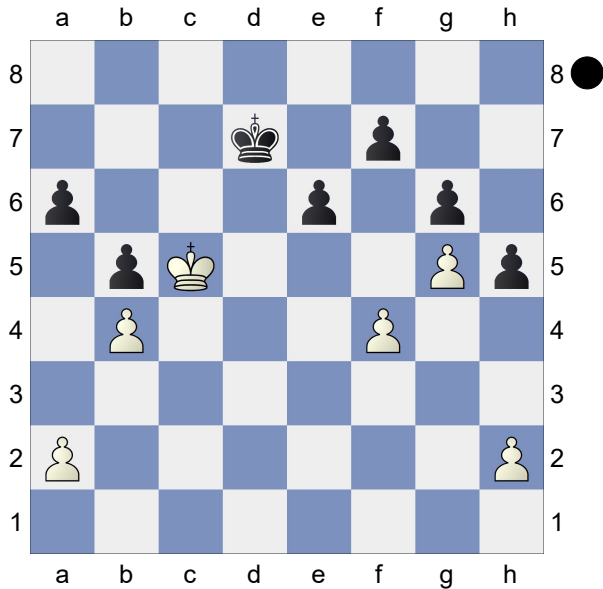
[54...h4=]

[54...Ke7=]

[54...Kc6=]

[54...e5+ 55.fxe5+ Ke6=]

55.Kc5±



Ke7?

[55...h4! 56.Kb6 f5 (56...f6) 57.gxf6 e5 58.fxe5 g5 59.f7! Ke7 60.e6 g4 61.Kc7 g3 62.hxg3 h3 63.f8Q+ Kxf8 64.Kd7+-]

56.Kb6+- f6 57.Kxa6 fxc5 58.fxc5 Kd6 59.Kxb5 Kd5 60.a4 e5 61.a5 e4 62.a6 e3 63.a7 e2 64.a8Q+ Kd4 65.Qh1 Kd3 66.Qe1 Ke3 67.Kc4 1-0

□ **Turner,Robert**

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■ **Hariharan,Kaivalya**

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2026 Summer TNM: u1600 (3.34) 21.7.26

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.c4 Nc6 5.Nc3 Bf5 6.Nf3 e6 7.cxd5 exd5 8.Qb3 Nf6 9.Qxb7 Nb4 10.Bb5+ Nd7 11.0-0 f6 12.Nxd5 Rb8 13.Nc7+ Kf7 14.Bc4+ Kg6 15.Nh4+ Kh5 16.Be2+ Kxh4 17.g3+

1-0

□ **Pang,William**

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■ **Defranco,Anthony Lawson**

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2026 Summer TNM: u1600 (3.35) 21.7.26

[Winslow,Elliott]

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.Bd3 Nf6 5.Bf4 Nc6 6.c3 Bg4 7.Nf3 e6 8.Nbd2 Bd6 9.Bg3 0-0 10.0-0 Ne7 11.Qc2 Bf5 12.Bxf5 Nxf5 13.Be5 Nd7 14.Rfe1 Nxe5 15.Nxe5 f6 16.Nef3 Re8 17.Re2 Qd7 18.Rae1 b5 19.a3 Re7 20.h3 Rae8 21.Kh1 e5 22.Qb3 e4 23.Qxd5+ Kh8 24.Rxe4 Rxe4 25.Rxe4 Rxe4 26.Nxe4 g6 27.g4 Qc7 28.gxf5 Bf4 29.Qxb5 Bc1 30.Nh4 Qd8 31.Nc5 ... 1-0 (mate), 38.

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□ **Martin,Bryan D**

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■ **Garrett,Tyler**

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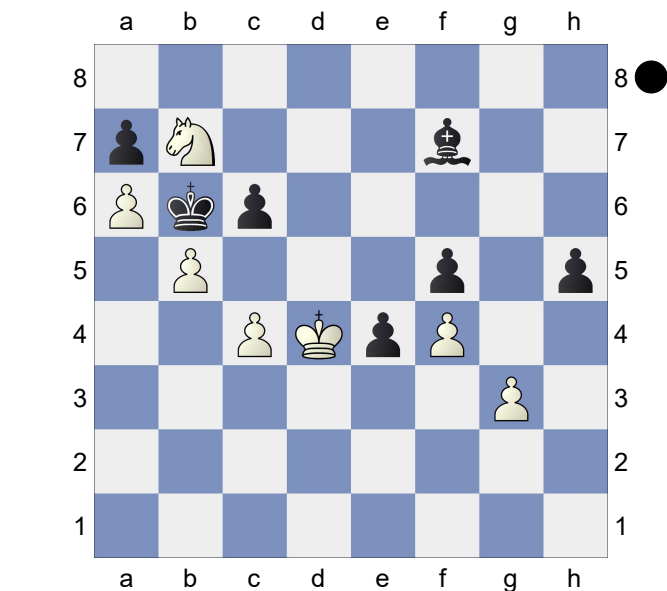
2026 Summer TNM: u1600 (3.36) 21.7.26

[Winslow,Elliott]

1.e4 c5 2.c3 d5 3.exd5 Qxd5 4.Qf3 Nf6 5.Qxd5 Nxd5 6.Bb5+ Nc6 7.Bxc6+ bxc6 8.d3 Ba6 9.c4 Nb4 10.Na3 Nxd3+ 11.Ke2 Rd8 12.Nf3 e6 13.b3 Bd6 14.Rd1 Nf4+ 15.Bxf4 Bxf4 16.Rxd8+ Kxd8 17.Rd1+ Kc7 18.g3 Bh6 19.Ne5 f6 20.Nf7 Rg8 21.Nxh6 gxh6 22.Nb1 Bc8 23.Nc3 e5 24.Na4 Rd8 25.Rxd8 Kxd8 26.Nxc5 Ke7 27.Ke3 Bf5 28.Kd2 Kd6 29.b4 h5 30.a3 h4 31.Ke3 hxg3 32.hxg3 h5 33.a4 Bg6 34.a5 f5 35.f4 e4 36.Kd4 Bf7 37.Nb7+ Kc7 38.a6 Kb6 39.b5

(Diagram)

Bxc4 40.Kxc4 cxb5+ 41.Kc3 Kxa6 42.Nd6 Kb6 43.Nxf5 a5 44.Ne3 Kc5 45.f5 a4 46.Nc2 b4+ 47.Nxb4 a3



48.Nc2 Kd5 49.Kb3 Ke5 50.Ne3
1-0

□ Wind, Eric

■ Jones, Ian R

2026 Summer TNM: u1600 (3.37) 21.7.26

1.e4 e6 2.d4 b6 3.Nc3 Bb7 4.f4 Bb4
5.Nge2 Ne7 6.Qd3 f5 7.Qg3 0-0 8.e5
Nd5 9.Bd2 a5 10.a3 Be7 11.0-0-0 d6
12.Nxd5 Bxd5 13.Nc3 Bb7 14.Bc4 d5
15.Bd3 Ba6 16.Bxa6 Nxa6 17.Qf3
Qd7 18.g4 c5 19.gxf5 Rxf5 20.Ne2 c4
21.Rhg1 Bf8 22.Qh3 Nc7 23.Rg4 b5
24.Nc3 b4 25.Nb1 c3 26.Bxc3 bxc3
27.Nxc3 Nb5 28.Nxb5 Qxb5 29.Rd3
a4 30.Rh4 h6 31.Rg3 Qe2 32.Rg1
Rc8 33.Qg2 Rxc2+ 34.Kb1 Rxb2+
35.Ka1
0-1

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□ Langendorf, Brian Keith

■ Tobias, Mason

2026 Summer TNM: u1600 (3.38) 21.7.26

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 d5 3.Bf4 Bf5 4.e3 e6
5.Bd3 Ne4 6.Bxe4 Bxe4 7.Nbd2 Bg6
8.Ne5 Bd6 9.Nxg6 hxg6 10.Bxd6
Qxd6 11.Nf3 Nd7 12.h3 Qb4+ 13.c3
Qxb2 14.Qc1 Qxc1+ 15.Rxc1 Ke7
16.c4 dxc4 17.Rxc4 c6 18.0-0 Rh5
19.Rb1 Nb6 20.Rc5 f6 21.Kh2 Kd6
22.Nd2 Kc7 23.g4 Rxc5 24.dxc5 Nd7
25.Rc1 b6 26.Nb3 Nxc5 27.Nxc5 bxc5
28.Rxc5 Rd8 29.Rc2 Rd1 30.Kg3 g5
31.Rc3 Rd5 32.f4 gxf4+ 33.exf4 e5
34.fxe5 Rxe5 35.h4 Re7 36.Rf3 Kd6
37.g5 fxg5 38.hxg5 Kd5 39.g6 c5
40.Rf7 Ke6 41.Rf2 c4 42.Kg4 Rc7
43.Rd2 c3 44.Rc2 Kf6 45.Kf4 Kxg6
46.Ke4 Kf7 47.Kd4 g5 48.Rxc3 Rxc3
49.Kxc3 Kf6 50.Kd3 Kf5 51.Ke2 Kg4
52.Kf2 a5 53.a4 Kh3 54.Kg1 Kg3
55.Kh1 Kf3 56.Kg1 Ke3 57.Kg2 Kd3
58.Kg3 Kc3 59.Kg4 Kb3 60.Kxg5
Kxa4 61.Kf4 Kb3 62.Ke3 a4 63.Kd2
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□ Arevalo Rivas, Rodrigo Vicente

■ Clark, Joseph

2026 Summer TNM: u1600 (3.39) 21.7.26

1.d4 d5 2.Bf4 c5 3.e3 Nc6 4.Nf3 Nf6
5.Nc3 a6 6.Be2 Nh5 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4
cxd4 9.Nxd4 Nf6 10.0-0 e6 11.a3 Be7
12.Bg3 0-0 13.Bd3 Bd7 14.h3 Rc8
15.b4 Nxd4 16.Nxd5 Nxd5 17.exd4
Bf6 18.Be2 Nc3 19.Qd3 Nxe2+
20.Qxe2 Bb5 21.Qf3 Bxf1 22.Rxf1
Qd7 23.c3 Rc6 24.Rc1 Bxd4 25.Rd1
Bxf2+ 26.Bxf2 Qc7 27.Bg3 Qe7 28.a4
Rfc8 29.Rc1 b5 30.axb5 axb5 31.Be5
Qg5 32.Re1 Qd2 33.Qg3 f6 34.Bxf6

R8c7 35.Re4 h5 36.Rd4 Qh6 37.Rd8+
Kf7 38.Bh4 e5 39.Qxe5 Ra7 40.Qe8#
1-0

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[Karpe,Ummom
Cao,Danny Du Uy
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2026 Summer TNM: u1600 (3.40) 21.7.26
[Cao,Danny]

1.e4 e6 2.d3 d5 3.Nd2 Nc6
[3...dxe4 4.dxe4 (4.Nxe4)]
4.c3 Nf6 5.Ngf3 Bd6 White 1 hour 31
min... Black 1 hour 26 min 6.d4 dxe4
7.Ng5 0-0
[7...e3 8.fxe3]
[7...Bf4 8.Ngxe4 Nxe4 9.Nxe4 Bxc1
10.Qxc1]
8.Ngxe4 Be7 9.f4 b6 10.Be2 Bb7
w 1 h 25 m... b 1 h 11 m 11.Bf3 Nxe4
12.Bxe4 Na5 13.Bxb7 Nxb7 14.0-0
c5 15.Nf3 cxd4 w 1 h 25 m... b 1 h
16.Nxd4 Bc5
[16...Bf6]
17.Be3 Qf6 18.Qf3 Nd6
[18...Bxd4 19.Bxd4 Qe7 20.Qg3 f6]
19.b4 Bxd4 20.Bxd4 Qe7 w 1 h 22 m...
b 48 m 21.Rad1 Rfd8 22.Rd3 Rac8
23.Rfd1 Nf5
[23...Qb7 24.Bxg7 Qxf3 25.Rxf3
(25.gxf3 Kxg7 26.Rxd6 Rxd6
27.Rxd6 Rxc3) 25...Kxg7]
24.Bf2 Rxd3 25.Rxd3
[25.Qxd3]
25...Rd8 w 58 m ... b 32 m 26.Qd1
Rxd3 27.Qxd3 Qd6 28.Qxd6 Nxd6
29.a4 Nc4 30.a5 Kf8 w 56 m ... b 26 m
31.axb6 axb6
[31...Nxb6 32.Bxb6 axb6 33.c4 Ke7
34.Kf2 Kd6 35.Ke3 e5 36.fxe5+
Kxe5 37.c5 bxc5 38.bxc5 Kd5 39.c6
Kxc6 40.Kf4]
32.b5
[32.Kf1]

32...Ke7 33.Bd4 g6
[33...f6 34.g4 Kd6 35.Kf2 e5
36.fxe5+ fxe5 37.Be3]
34.g4
[34.Kf2 Kd6 35.Ke2 Kd5 36.Kd3
Na3 37.Bxb6 Nxb5 38.c4+ Kc6
39.cxb5+ Kxb6 40.Kc4]
34...Kd6 35.Kf2 Kd5 w 50 m ... b 21 m
36.Kf3 Na3 37.Bxb6 Nxb5 38.Ba5
Kc4 39.Ke4 Nxc3+ 40.Bxc3 Kxc3
w 49 m. b 17 m 41.g5 Kd2
[41...Kc4 42.Ke5 (42.h4 Kc3
43.Ke3 Kc4 44.Ke4 Kc5 45.Ke5)
42...Kd3 43.Kf6 Ke4 44.Kxf7 Kxf4
45.Kxe6 Kxg5]
42.Kf3 Kd3 43.h3 Kd4 44.Kg4 e5
[44...Ke4 45.Kg3 e5 46.fxe5 Kxe5
47.Kg4]
45.fxe5 Kxe5 w 43 m... b 8 m 46.h4
f5+
[46...Ke4 47.h5 (47.Kg3 Kf5)
47...gxh5+ 48.Kxh5 Kf5 49.Kh6 Kg4
50.Kxh7 Kxg5]
47.gxf6 Kxf6
[47...Kxf6 48.Kf4 h5 (48...h6
49.Kg4 Ke5 50.Kg3 Ke4 51.Kg4
h5+ 52.Kg3 Kf5 53.Kf3)]
48.Kf4 h5
[48...h6 49.Kg4 Ke5 50.Kg3 Kf5
51.Kf3 g5 52.hxg5 hxg5 53.Kg3]
49.Ke4 Ke6 50.Kf4 Kf6 51.Ke4 Kg7
52.Kf4 Kh6 53.Ke4 White offers draw...
Black accepts
1/2-1/2

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[Starr,Albert Martin
Skurow,Dylan Asher
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2026 Summer TNM: u1600 (3.41) 21.7.26
[Winslow,Elliott]

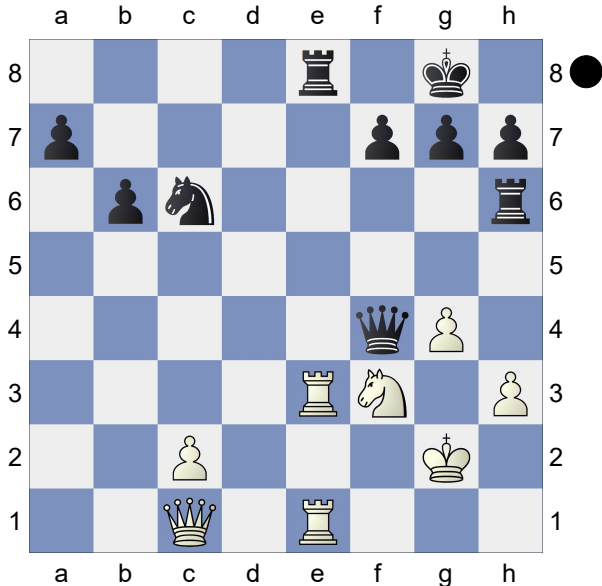
1.b4 e5 2.Bb2 Bxb4 3.Bxe5 Nf6 4.e3
d5 5.Nf3 Bg4 6.Be2 Bd6 7.Bxd6
Qxd6 8.0-0 0-0 9.d3 c5 10.Nbd2 Nc6

11.h3 Bh5 12.Nh2 Bxe2 13.Qxe2
Rfe8 14.Ng4 Nd4 15.Nxf6+ Qxf6
16.Qd1 Nc6 17.a3 Rad8 18.Rb1 b6
19.Qg4 Qc3 20.Qd1 Qxa3 21.Rb3
Qa6 22.Qb1 Qc8 23.Nf3 Re6 24.Qb2
Rg6 25.Kh1 Rh6 26.Nh2 Qe6 27.Re1
Qf5 28.f4 Re8 29.Nf3 Rhe6 30.g4
Qf6 31.Qc1 Qe7 32.d4 cxd4 33.Rd3
dxe3 34.Rxd5 Rh6 35.Kg2 Qe4
36.Rd3 Qxf4 37.Rdxe3

[Some care is required, but Black is
winning, after only two moves:

37.Rdxe3 Rxe3! 38.Rxe3 Qb8-+
(38...g5!-+)]

[Or 37.Rdxe3 Rf8!-+]



Albert's scoresheet has "Q" and then
"resign" on the next line. So probably
Asher touched his queen.

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11.Bxd5 c6 12.Bxf7+ Kxf7 13.Qd3
Be7 14.b4 d5 15.exd6 Bxd6 16.Nxd6+
Qxd6 17.bxa5 Qf6 18.Qb3+ Kf8
19.Ba3+ Ke8 20.Rfe1+
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□ Ramos,Joel Thomas

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■ Vema,Sushant Harischandra

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2026 Summer TNM: Extra Rated (3)

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4
Bc5 5.Nb3 Bb6 6.Nc3 a6 7.Qe2 Nge7
8.Be3 Ba7 9.0-0-0 0-0 10.Bg5 Qe8
11.Nd5 Bb8 12.Nd4 f6 13.Qc4 Kh8
14.Bf4 d6 15.h3 Bd7 16.Qc3 Ng6
17.f3 Qc8 18.Nf5 Re8 19.g4 Nce7
20.Nxf6 Nxf5 21.Nxe8 Nxf4 22.exf5
Qxe8 23.Re1 Qf7 24.b3 Bc6 25.Bc4
d5 26.Qd4 Ng2 27.Re2 Ba7 28.Bxd5
Bxd5 29.Qe5 Bxf3 30.Qe6 Qf8 31.Re5
Nf4 32.Qc4 Bxh1 33.Qxc7 Nd3+
34.cxd3 Rc8 35.Qxc8 Qxc8+ 36.Kb1
Kg8 37.g5 Bd4 38.Re1 Bc6 39.f6 Qf5
40.Re7 Qxd3+ 41.Kc1 Be3+ 42.Kb2
Qd2+

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□ Wardle,Braxton

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■ Harris,Clarence

1400

2026 Summer TNM: u1600 (3.42) 21.7.26

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 exd4 4.Bc4
Nf6 5.e5 Qe7 6.0-0 Qc5 7.Bb3 Nd5
8.Nbd2 Na5 9.Ne4 Qc6 10.Nxd4 Qg6