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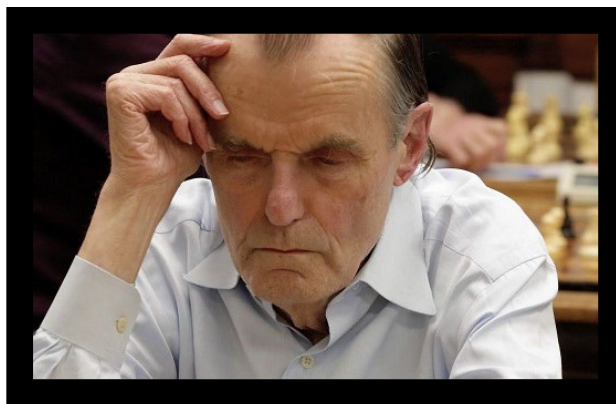
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## Peter Grey TNM Round Five Report

IM **Kyron Griffith** defeated Expert **Abhishek Handigol** to join IM **Elliott Winslow** (who drew with NM **Conrado Diaz**) at four points, and a showdown between the two leaders is a dead certainty next Tuesday. Six players are tied with 3.5, including **Anton Maliev** (1633) who is playing up, and who drew with NM **Yusheng Xia**.

In the under 1800 Section **Steve Sobel** took down leader **Paul Henry Reed**, and he is joined in a tie for 1st at 4.5 points by **Dominic Zirbel**, who had a bit of luck at the end of his game with **Richard Hack**.



**Peter Grey** (1935-2016) was an Expert player and a mainstay of the Mechanics' Chess Club from the 1960's onward. He

played in almost every TNM from 1971 until his passing.

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The TNM is co-directed by International Arbiter **Judit Sztaray** and FIDE Arbiter **Abel Talamantez**.

For complete TNM info, standings and results:

<https://www.milibrary.org/chess-tournaments/2nd-peter-grey-memorial-tuesday-night-marathon>

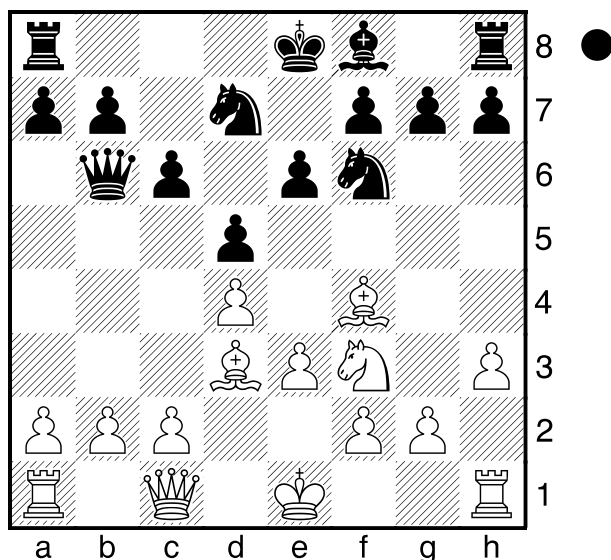
**Diaz,Conrado** **D02**  

**Winslow,Elliott** **2308**  
**2244**  
 MI Peter Grey TNM: 1800+ (5.1) 09.08.22  
*[Winslow,Elliott]*

**1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 c6** (If only to dampen his Torre System) **3.Bf4 Qb6 4.Qc1**  
 (Played really fast!) **4...Nf6 5.e3 Bg4 6.Nbd2**

[ 6.Ne5 hasn't scored as well but might have more kick (and it was Bacrot's recent choice): Bh5 7.c4 Nbd7 8.Nxd7 Nxd7 9.Nc3 e6 10.c5 Qd8 11.b4 Be7 12.Bd3 Bg6 13.Bxg6 hxg6 14.0-0 Bg5 15.Bg3 Bh4 16.b5 Bxg3 17.hxg3 Qg5 18.Rb1 1-0 (67), Bacrot,E (2638) - Mirzoev,A (2476) Titled Tuesday (early) Chess.com May.3.2022 ]

**6...Nbd7 7.h3 Bxf3** Mostly past players have retreated somewhere, but the bishop won't be missed. **8.Nxf3 e6 9.Bd3**



**a5N**

[Far and away the way it's gone is 9...c5 10.c3 Bd6 11.Ne5 ( 11.Bxd6 was the other games ) 11...0-0 12.Qb1 (as per our game) h6 13.Bh2 cxd4 14.exd4 Bxe5 15.dxe5 Ne4 16.Bxe4

dxe4 17.Qxe4 Qxb2 18.0-0 b6 0-1 (67) Frouth,N (2195)-Kozul,Z (2590) Zagreb 2019. ]  
**10.a4 Be7 11.0-0 0-0 12.c3 c5 13.Bb5 Rfd8 14.Ne5 Nxe5 15.Bxe5 Nd7 16.Bg3 Rac8 17.Qb1 Nf8 18.Qd1 Ng6 19.Qh5 Bd6 20.f4 f5 21.Kh1 Qc7 22.Rf2 cxd4 23.cxd4 Qe7 24.Qd1 Rc7 25.Rc2 Rdc8 26.Rac1** I was thinking "When do I offer a draw?" and he beat me to it.  
 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$

**Griffith,Kyron** **E11**  

**Handigol,Abhishek** **2436**  
**2124**  
 MI Peter Grey TNM: 1800+ (5.2) 09.08.22  
*[Winslow,Elliott]*

**1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 Bb4+ 4.Bd2 Qe7 5.g3 Nc6 6.Nc3 Bxc3 7.Bxc3 Ne4 8.Rc1 0-0 9.Bg2 a5 10.0-0 d6 11.d5 Nb4** The retreats could well be better **12.a3**

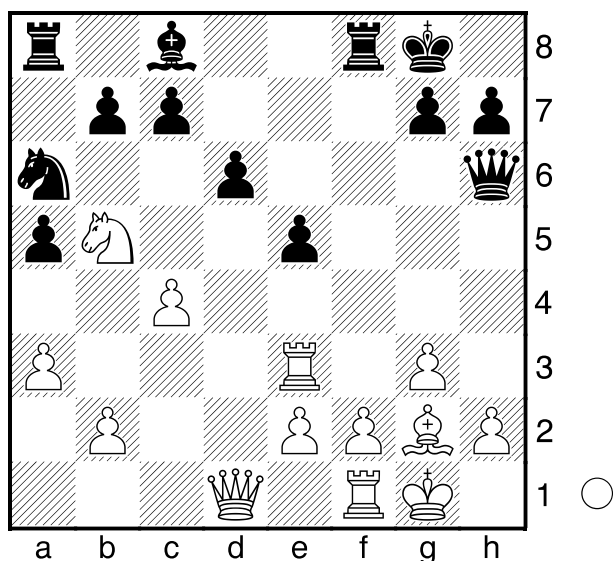
[ 12.Be1! when the knights could just be time-costing liabilities. ]  
**12...Nxc3 13.Rxc3 Na6 14.dxe6 fxe6 15.Nd4** White has an advantage worth working. **15...e5**  
 [Relevant: 15...Kh8 16.Qd2 ( 16.Re3! Nc5 17.b4 axb4 18.axb4 Na6 19.Qa1 Rb8 20.Qa3± ) 16...a4± 17.Nc2 Nc5 18.Nb4 e5 19.Nd3 Nb3 was balanced and/or some plus for White for quite a while, but blitz is blitz: 0-1 (67), Postny,E (2600)-Praggnanandhaa,R (2608) Titled Tuesday Chess. com 4.Aug.2020 ]

**16.Re3 Qg5?!**

[ 16...c6 remembers to develop the queenside some day. 17.f4! ]

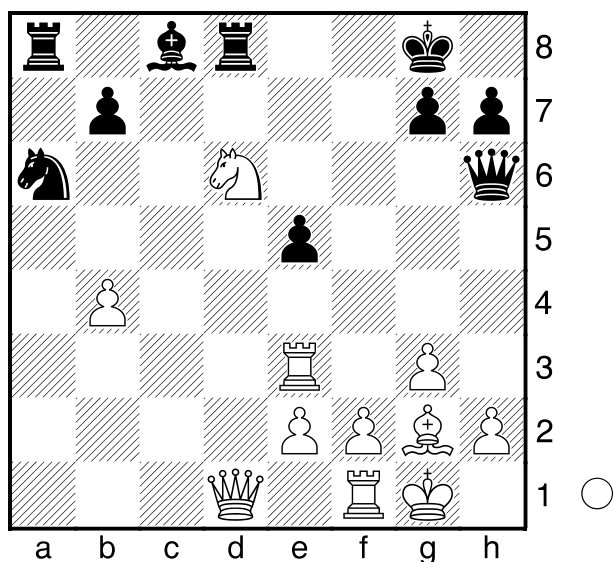
**17.Nb5 Qh6**

(Diagram)



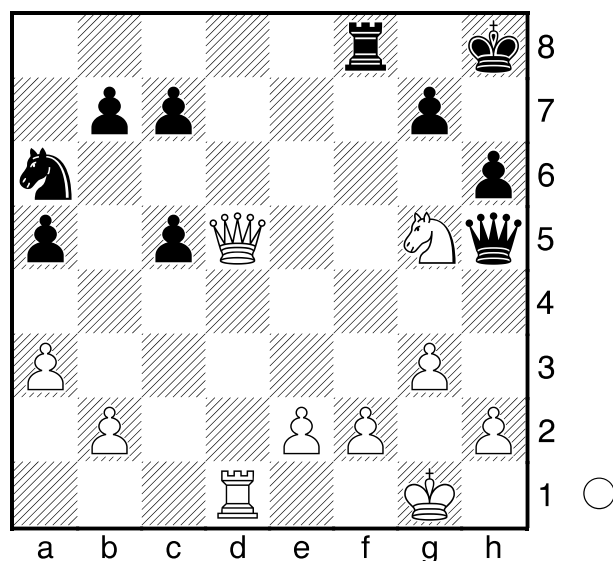
**18.c5!** Not necessary but thanks to tactics it moves White's game forward here. **18...dxc5N**

[Even this far out it's happened before! 18...Nxc5 19.Nxc7 Ra7 20.b4 axb4 21.axb4 Na6 22.Nb5 Ra8 23.Nxd6 Rd8



**24.Nf7!** 1-0 (37) Savina,A (2372)-Belova,O (2134) Loo 2013 ]  
**19.Nc3 Kh8 20.Rxe5 Bh3 21.Bxh3 Qxh3 22.Ne4 Rae8 23.Ng5 Qh5 24.Rxe8 Rxe8 25.Qd5 Rf8 26.Rd1 h6?!**

(Diagram)

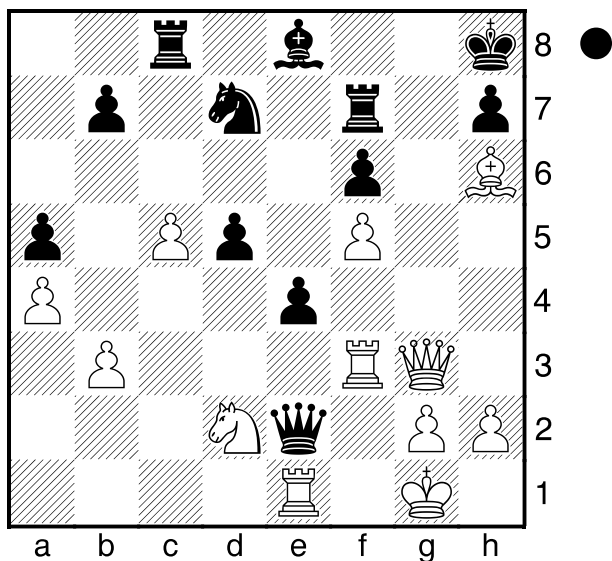


**27.Qf5!** Leaving no doubt. **27...Qxg5 28.Qxf8+ Kh7 29.Rd8 Qc1+ 30.Kg2 Qc2 31.Qg8+ Kg6 32.Qe6+ Kh7 33.e4 Qxb2 34.Qf5+ g6 35.Rd7+ Qg7 36.Rxg7+ Kxg7 37.Qd7+ 1-0**

**C05**  
 1633  
**Xia,Yusheng**  
 2275  
 MI Peter Grey TNM: 1800+ (5.3) 09.08.22  
 [Winslow,Elliott]

**1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5.f4** The older, heavier line  
 [compared to 5.Bd3 c5 6.c3 Nc6 7.Ne2 ]  
**5...c5 6.c3 Nc6 7.Ngf3**  
 [ 7.Ndf3 ]  
**7...cxd4 8.cxd4 Qb6 9.Nb3 a5 10.a4 Bb4+ 11.Kf2 f6 12.Be3 0-0 13.Bd3 Be7 14.Rf1 Nb4 15.Kg1 Nxd3 16.Qxd3 Qa6 17.Qc2 Nb6 18.Nfd2 Bd7 19.Nc5 Bxc5 20.dxc5 Rac8 21.b3 Be8 22.exf6 gxf6 23.f5 e5 24.Qd1 Nd7 25.Bh6 Rf7 26.Qg4+ Kh8 27.Rf3 Qe2 28.Qg3 e4 29.Re1**

(Diagram)



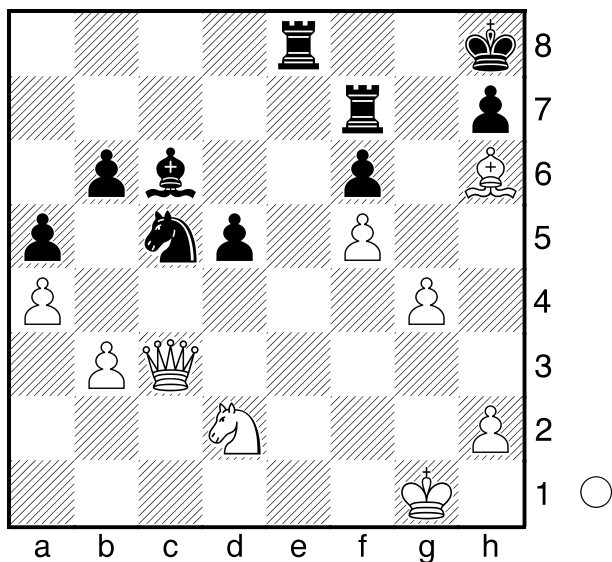
**exf3?**

[ 29...Qa6+ ]

**30.Rxe2 fxe2 31.Qe3± Nxc5?!**

[ 31...Ne5 ]

**32.Qxe2+- Bd7 33.g4 Re8 34.Qf3 Bc6 35.Qc3 b6**



**36.g5?!**

[ 36.h3 ]

[ 36.Kf2 ]

**36...Re1+?**

[ 36...Bd7 37.Nf3 Bxf5± ]

**37.Kf2?**

[ 37.Nf1 Re4 ( 37...Re5 38.gxf6 (and ...Rxf5 isn't check!); 37...Re8

38.Ne3; 37...Ree7 38.g6; 37...Re2

38.Ne3 ) 38.Ng3+- ]

**37...Re5± 38.gxf6 Rxf6 39.Be3 Rxf5+**

**40.Ke2 Be8 41.Kd1 Kg8 42.Bd4**

**Bh5+ 43.Kc1 Re1+ 44.Kb2 Kf7**

**45.Qg3 Re7 46.Qd6 Ne4 47.Nxe4**

**dxe4 48.Qxb6 Bg6 49.Be3 Rd5**

**50.Qb8 Red7 51.Qf4+ Ke6 52.h4 Rd3**

**53.h5 Bf5 54.Qh6+ Kd5 55.Qb6 Ke5**

**56.Qxa5+ Kf6 57.Qc5 R7d5 58.Qf8+**

**Ke6 59.Qe8+ Kf6 60.Qf8+ Ke6**

Both players (especially White!) had their chances. It would have been a big upset for Maliev! So it was half an upset. 1/2-1/2



**Sun, Kevin**



**Lewis, Edward**

**B07**

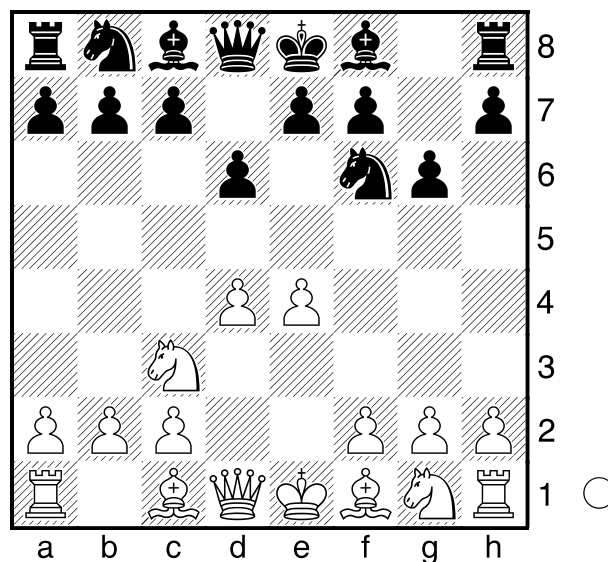
**1837**

**2032**

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[Winslow, Elliott]

**1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6**



**4.Bg5** One scoresheet says "4.Bf4," the other "4.Bg5." In two moves it won't matter.

[ 4.Bf4 ]

**4...Bg7 5.Qd2 c6 6.Bh6 Bxh6 7.Qxh6 Qa5 8.Bd3** I think I'll go with the one

that said 4.Bg5 for now; it says "8.Bd3"

here. The other one says "8.Bd2."

8...Qh5 9.Qxh5 Nxb5 10.g3 Nd7

11.0-0-0 a6 12.f4 b5 13.e5 d5 14.Nf3

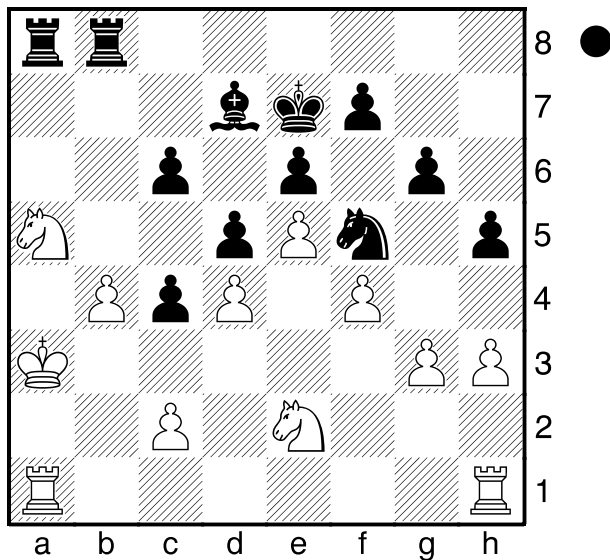
e6 15.b4 Nb6 16.Nd2 a5 17.a3 Bd7

18.Nb3 axb4 19.axb4 Ke7 20.Na5

Ng7 21.Kb2 h5 22.h3 Rhb8 23.Ra1

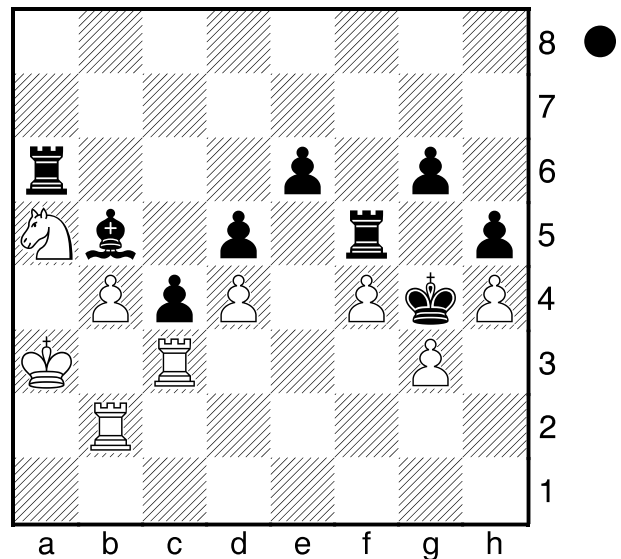
Nc4+ 24.Bxc4 bxc4 25.Ka3 Nf5

26.Ne2



Nxd4! 27.Nxd4 c5+ 28.c3! cxd4  
29.cxd4 Rb5 30.Rhc1 Rab8 31.Rab1  
f6 32.Rb2 Rf8 33.exf6+ Rxf6 34.h4  
Rf8 35.Rc3 Kf6 36.Re3 Rbb8 37.Rc3  
Kf5 38.Re3 Kg4 39.Rc3 Rbc8 40.Re3  
Rb8 41.Rc3 Rf7 42.Re3 Rff8 43.Rc3  
Rf5 44.Re3 Ra8 45.Rc3 Bb5 46.Re3  
Ra6 47.Rc3

(Diagram)



g5 Nice try.

[ But the move he was looking for is  
47...e5!-+ ]

48.hxg5 h4?

[ 48...e5+ ]

49.gxh4 Rxf4 50.g6 Ra8 51.g7 Rg8

52.Rg2+ Kh5

[ 52...Kxh4? 53.Rcg3+- ]

53.Rcg3 Rxd4 54.Rg6 Rd3+ 55.Kb2

c3+ 56.Kc2 Re3 57.R6g5+ Kxh4

58.R2g4+ Kh3 59.Rg1 Kh2 60.R1g2+

Kh3

1/2-1/2

Lamstein,Josh D00  
1753  
 Hao,Max 1900  
 MI Peter Grey TNM: 1800+ (5.9) 09.08.22  
*[Winslow,Elliott]*

1.d4 d5 2.Bf4 Nf6 3.Nc3 a6

[ 3...e6 ]

[ 3...c6 ]

[ 3...Bf5 ]

[ 3...c5 ]

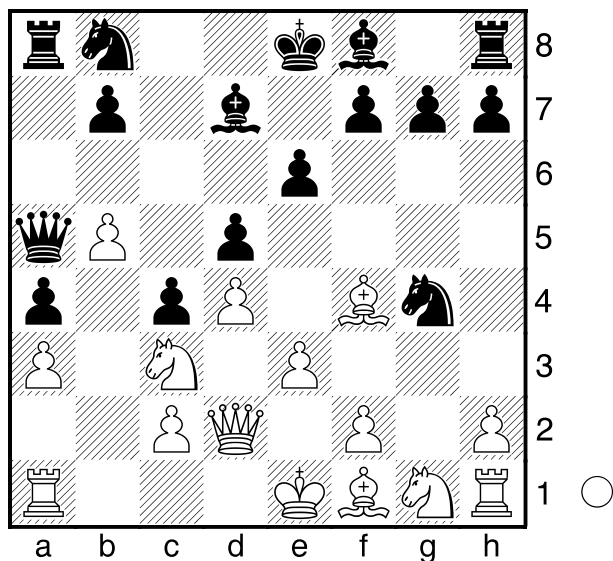
4.e3

[ 4.Nf3 ]

4...c5

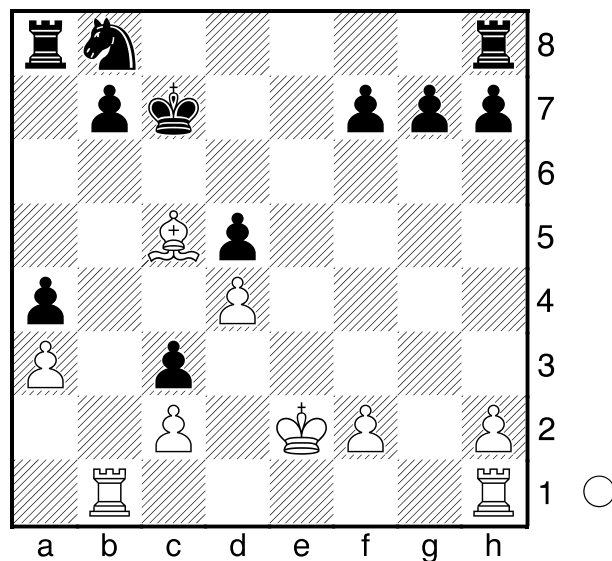
[ 4...e6 ]

[ 4...Bf5 ]  
**5.Na4?**  
 [ 5.dxc5! ]  
**5...c4** 6.b4 e6 7.a3 Bd7 8.Nc3 a5  
 [ 8...b5! ]  
**9.b5 a4 10.g4?! Qa5**  
 [ 10...Bxb5! ]  
**11.Qd2 Nxc4**  
 [ 11...h6! ]

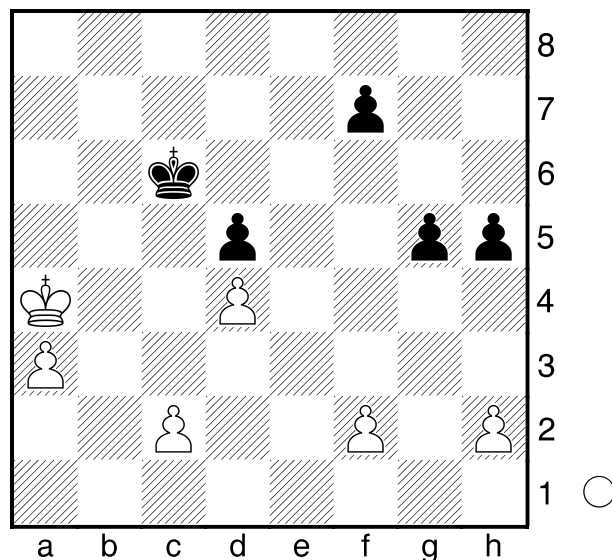


**12.e4 Nf6 13.Bg2 dxe4 14.Nxe4**  
**Qxd2+ 15.Kxd2 Nd5** 16.Nd6+ Bxd6  
**17.Bxd6 c3+ 18.Kd1 Bxb5 19.Bxd5**  
**exd5 20.Rb1 Ba6 21.Ne2 Kd7 22.Bc5**  
**Bxe2+ 23.Kxe2 Kc7**

(Diagram)

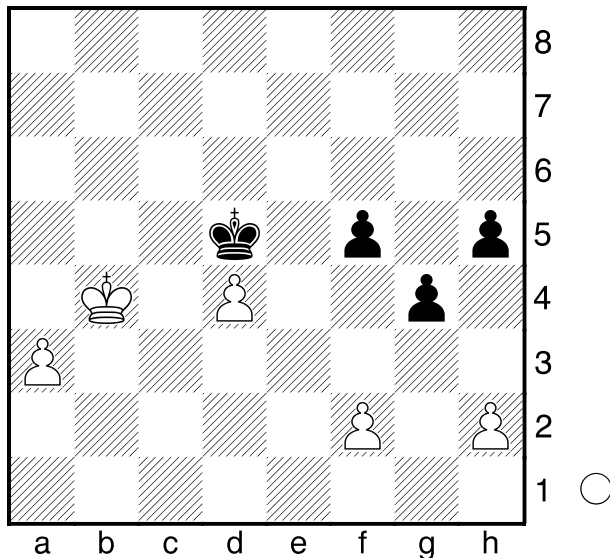


**24.Rb5? Nd7+ 25.Rhb1 b6?!**  
 [ 25...Kc6 26.Rxb7 Rhb8 27.Rxb8  
 Rxb8 28.Rxb8 Nxb8 29.Bb4 Kb5  
 30.Bxc3 Kc4 31.Bb2 Nc6 32.Ke3  
 Ne7 ]  
**26.Bxb6+ Nxb6??**  
 [ 26...Kc6 27.Ba5 Rhb8 ]  
**27.Rxb6± Rhb8?**  
 [ 27...Ra7 28.Kd3 ]  
**28.Rxb8 Rxb8 29.Rxb8 Kxb8**  
**30.Kd3+- g5 31.Kxc3 Kc7 32.Kb4**  
**Kc6 33.Kxa4 h5**



**34.Kb4??**  
 [ 34.c4+- dxc4 35.Kb4 ]

34...f5= 35.c4 g4 36.cxd5+  
[ 36.a4 ]  
36...Kxd5

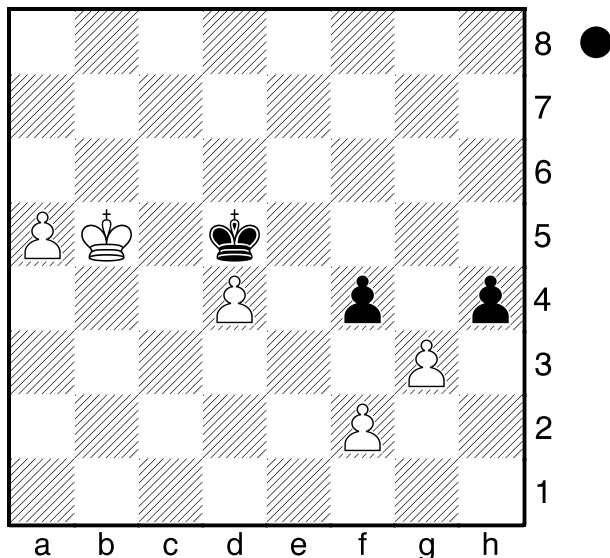


**37.Kb5??**

[ 37.Kc3 f4 38.Kd3 h4 39.Ke2 Kxd4  
is drawn, barely, by putting the king on  
the g-file, playing h2-h3, and holding  
after ...g3; fxg3 fxg3. ]

[ 37.a4 f4 38.a5 Kc6 39.Kc4 h4  
40.d5+ draws more forcefully. ]

**37...f4-+ 38.a4 h4 39.a5 g3 40.hxg3!**



**hxg3 41.fxg3 f3!** (queens with CHECK,  
winning)  
[ 41...fxg3 draws ]

42.a6 f2 43.a7 f1Q+ 44.Kb6 Qb1+  
45.Kc7 Qa2 46.Kb7 Qb3+ 47.Kc7  
Qa4 48.Kb6 Qc6+ 49.Ka5 Kc4  
50.a8Q Qb5#  
0-1

**B22**  
Sobel, Steve **1576**  
Reed, Paul Henry **1467**  
MI Peter Grey TNM: u1800 (5.15) 9.8.22  
[Sobel, Steve]

**1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.c3 d5 4.exd5  
Qxd5 5.d4 Nf6 6.Be3!?** I screwed up  
the move order here, but it turns out  
that masters have also played this move  
over 1000 times.

[ 6.Na3 cxd4 7.Nb5 The idea is to  
gain time by threatening a family  
fork. ]

**6...b6 7.Na3 a6 8.Nc4 Nbd7 9.dxc5?!**  
I did not need to act so quickly.

[ 9.Be2! b5 10.Na5 The wayward  
knight actually does a good job  
overwatching the black LSB's  
development. ( 10.Nce5 Mukhametov  
- Vitiugov, St Petersburg - Moscow  
2003. Bb7 11.c4 bxc4 12.Bxc4 Qd6  
13.O-O cxd4 14.Bxd4 Be7 15.Nxf7!  
Kxf7 16.Ng5+ Ke8 17.Nxe6 Rg8??  
18.Rc1+- Rc8 19.Re1 Bxg2??  
20.Bxf6?? Qxd1 21.Rexd1 gxf6  
22.Nc7+ Rxc7 23.Bxg8 Rxc1  
24.Rxc1 Be4= The players agreed to  
a draw on move 62. )]

**9...Bxc5 10.Bxc5 bxc5?!**

[ 10...Qxc5 11.Nd6+ Ke7 12.Nxc8+  
Rhxc8 13.Be2= By retaining queens  
black gains a strong minority attack  
and full equality. ( 13.g3 b5 14.Bg2  
b4 A fianchetto is too slow against  
black's main plan. )]

**11.Nd6+** Despite this early check, white  
cannot credibly attack the black king. I  
just wanted to go into a slightly

imbalanced endgame and play chess.

[ 11.Be2 Also possible and perhaps stronger than the text. ]

**11...Ke7 12.Qxd5 Nxd5 13.Nxc8+ Rhxc8 14.0-0-0 f6?! I do think black has a valid long-term plan to advance their kingside majority, but it will take a while to do so safely. As played, e6 becomes a target.**

[ 14...g6 15.g3 h5 16.Bg2 N5b6 17.Rhe1 Rc7 18.Ng5 Rb8 19.Kc2 a5 Illustrates a less committal game plan for black. ]

**15.g3 N7b6 16.Bg2 Rab8 17.Rhe1 Kf7 18.Nd2 f5?** My opponent felt compelled to drastic measures, but in my opinion I still had a lot of work left to make anything of the position.

[ 18...c4 19.Re2 In fairness, it is hard for black to do anything active against the simple plan of doubling. Rc6 The computer recommends self-pinning. Hard to play! ( 19...Rd8 Black must self-pin so that they over-defend c4. 20.Rde1 Rd6 21.Bxd5 exd5 22.Re7+± ) 20.Rde1 g6 21.f4 ( 21.Bxd5?! Nxd5± Where black retains defense of c4. )]

**19.f4 g5?? 20.fxc5 Re8 21.Nf3 Nc4 22.Ne5+ Nxe5 23.Rxe5 c4 24.Bxd5 exd5 25.Rxf5+ Kg6 26.Rfxd5** Rook endgames have a drawish reputation but white wins this one.  
**26...Re2 27.R1d2 Re1+ 28.Kc2 Ra1 29.a3 Ra2 30.Kb1 Rxa3 31.Rd8 Rab3** Black would also lose by declining to trade rooks.

[ 31...Rb7 32.R2d7 Rb5 33.g4! transposes Kxg5 ( 33...Rab3 34.Rg8# ) 34.Rd5+ ]

[ 31...Rbb3 32.h4 With the rest left as an exercise for the reader ;) ]

**32.Rxb8 Rxb8 33.h4 Rb6 34.g4 a5 35.Rd4 Rc6 36.Rd5 Re6 37.Rd4 Rc6 38.Ka2 Rc5 39.Ka3 Kg7 40.Ka4 Kg6 41.Rd6+ Kg7 42.Rf6 Re5 43.Rf4 Rc5**

**44.Rf5 Rc7 45.Kxa5 Rb7 46.Rc5 Rxb2 47.Rxc4**  
**1-0**

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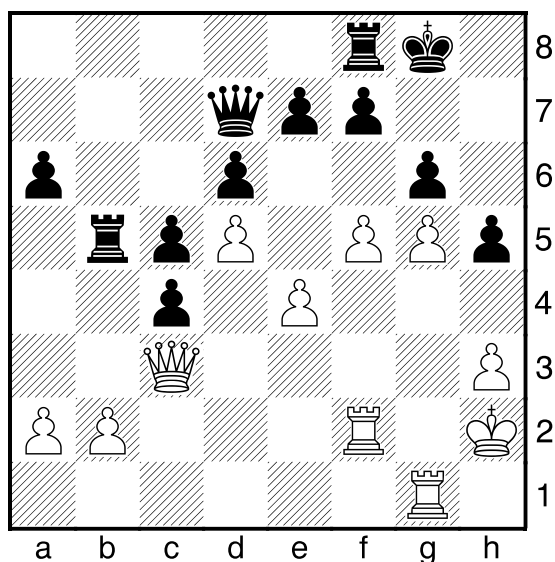
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■ **Zirbel,Dominic**

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[Winslow,Elliott]

**1.c4 Nf6 2.g3 g6 3.Bg2 Bg7 4.Nc3 0-0 5.d3 d6 6.e4 c5 7.Nge2 Nc6 8.0-0 Bg4 9.f3 Bd7 10.Be3 a6 11.Qd2 Rb8 12.Bh6 b5 13.Bxg7 Kxg7 14.Nd5 Nxd5 15.exd5 Ne5 16.f4 Ng4 17.h3 Nf6 18.g4 h5 19.g5 Ne8 20.Qc3+ Kg8 21.Ng3 Ng7 22.Kh2 Nf5 23.Nxf5 Bxf5 24.Be4 Bxe4 25.dxe4 bxc4 26.Rf2 Qd7 27.Rg1 Rb5 28.f5**



**e5?? 29.fxe6 fxe6? 30.Rxf8+ Kxf8 31.Rf1+**

[ △31.Qh8+ Ke7 32.Rf1 Qe8 33.Qg7+ Kd8 34.Rf8 Rxb2+ 35.Kg3 ]

**31...Kg8 32.Qf6**

[ 32.Rf6 ]

**32...Qe8 33.dxe6 Rb7 34.Rd1! d5 35.exd5 Qb8+?! 36.d6 Rxb2+ 37.Kg1**



c3

[ 37...Qa8 38.Qxb2 ]  
[ 37...Qb7 38.Qd8+ Kg7 39.Qc7+ ]

**38.Qxg6+**

[ 38.Qf7+ Kh8 39.e7 ]

**38...Kh8 39.Qf6+ Kg8 40.Qf7+ Kh8**

**41.Qxh5+**

[ 41.g6 Qg8 42.d7 ]

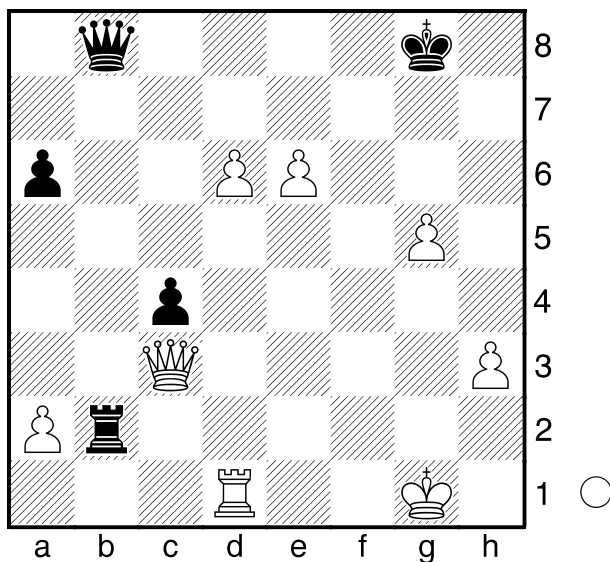
**41...Kg8 42.Qf7+ Kh8 43.Qh5+ Kg8**

**44.Qf7+ Kh8 45.Qf6+ Kg8 46.Qxc3+-**

[ 46.e7 ]

[ 46.g6 ]

**46...c4**



**47.d7?? Qh2+**

**0-1**

□ **Starr,Albert Martin**

■ **Spolarich,Mike**

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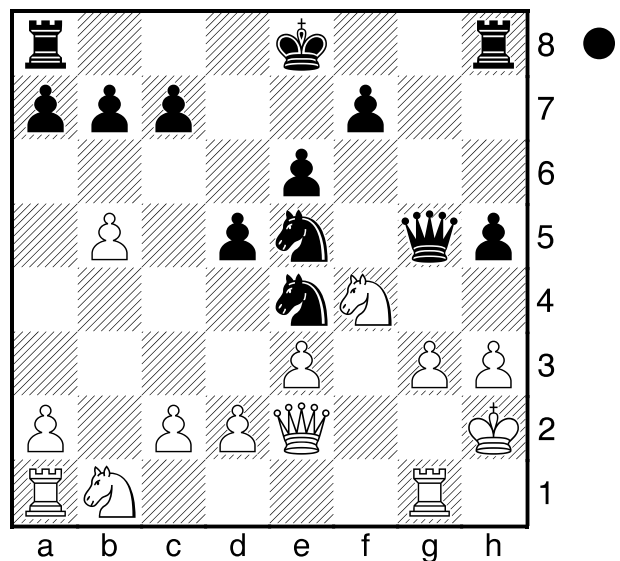
[Winslow,Elliott]

**1.b4 d5 2.e3 Bf5 3.Bb2 Nd7 4.Nf3**  
**e6 5.Be2 h6 6.0-0 Ngf6 7.b5 Bd6**  
**8.g3 h5 9.Nh4 Bh3 10.Re1 g5**  
**11.Ng2 Be5 12.Bxe5 Nxe5 13.f4 gxf4**  
**14.Nxf4 Bg4 15.h3 Bxe2 16.Qxe2**  
**Ne4 17.Kh2 Qg5 18.Rg1**  
(Diagram)

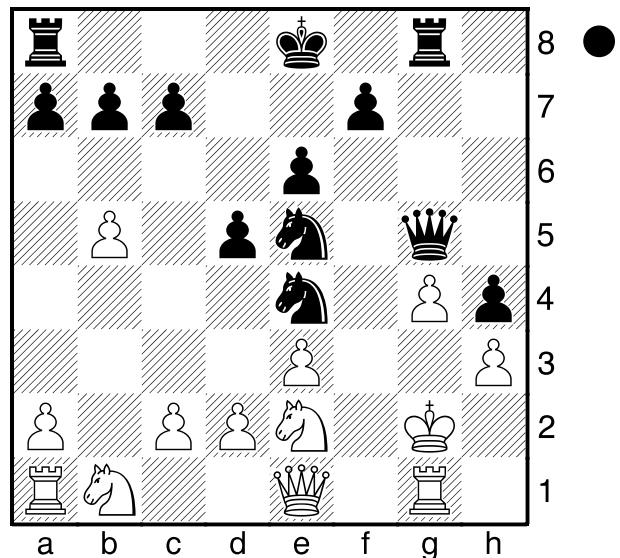
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**1089**



**Ng4+ 19.Kg2 Ne5 20.Qe1 Rg8**  
**21.Ne2 h4 22.g4**



**Nxg4**

[ 22...f5! is crushing at no cost whatsoever. ]

**23.hxg4 Qxg4+?**

[ 23...h3+ is the only winning followup! ]

**24.Kh1??**

[ 24.Kh2 Ng3 25.d4= the computer goes "0.00" down the board. ]

**24...Qf3+**

[ Perhaps I've overlooked something?  
24...Qh3# ]

25.Kh2 0-0-0 26.Rxg8 Rxg8 27.Nf4 e5

[ 27...h3! is mate in four ]

28.Qxh4 exf4

[ 28...Nf2! 6 mate in ]

29.Qh3+ Qxh3+ 30.Kxh3 f3 31.d3 f2

32.Na3 Rg1

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☐ Ren,Jocelyn

■ Bayaraa,Timothy

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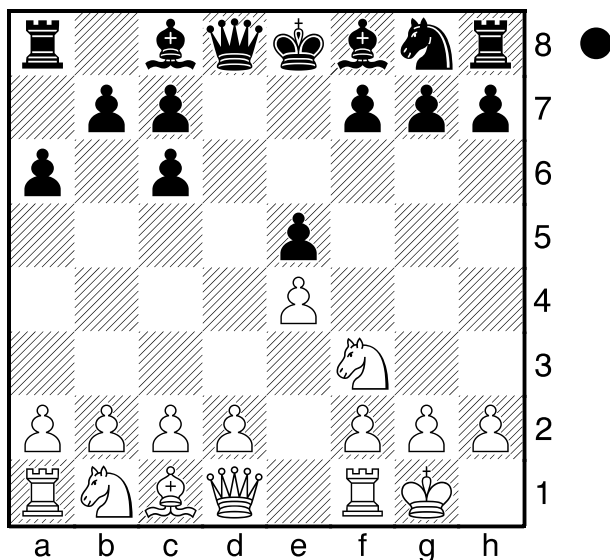
[Winslow,Elliott]

C68

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1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Bxc6 dxc6 5.0-0



**Nf6?** What could be more natural? And yet it's the worst move (other than things like 5...Qxd2 or 5...Bh4 or 5...Ba3...).

**6.d3?**

[ 6.Nxe5+- ]

**6...Bg4 7.h3 Bh5!?**

[ 7...Bxf3 ]

**8.Be3**

[ 8.g4 Nxg4 9.hxg4 Bxg4 10.Kg2≡ ]

**8...Bd6 9.Nbd2 Qe7 10.d4?**

[ 10.a4 ]

**10...Qe6?**

[ 10...exd4 11.Bxd4 0-0-0 ]

**11.Re1**

[ 11.c3± ]

[ 11.dxe5± ]

**11...h6 12.Bf4? Nd7**

[ 12...exf4 13.e5 0-0-0 ]

**13.dxe5 Bxe5 14.Bxe5 Nxe5 15.Nd4**

**Bxd1 16.Nxe6 fxe6 17.Raxd1 0-0**

**18.b4 a5 19.a3 axb4 20.axb4 Ra2**

**21.c3 Rc2 22.Rf1 Rxc3 23.Nb1 Rc4**

**24.f4 Ng6 25.f5 exf5 26.exf5 Ne7**

**27.Rd7 Nxf5 28.Rxc7 Rxb4 29.Nc3**

**Nd6 30.Rd7 Rxf1+ 31.Kxf1 Nf5**

**32.Rc7 Rb2 33.Ne2 Ne3+ 34.Kf2**

**Nxg2 35.Kxg2 Rxe2+ 36.Kg3 Rb2**

**37.Kg4 Kh7 38.h4 Rb5 39.h5 c5**

**40.Kf4 b6 41.Ke4 Rb4+ 42.Kd5 Rh4**

**43.Kc6 Rxh5 44.Kxb6 Rf5**

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B45

☐ Cadimas,Freddie Llanes

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■ Ayala,Nicholas

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[Winslow,Elliott]

**1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 e6 5.Nc3 Nf6 6.a3!?**

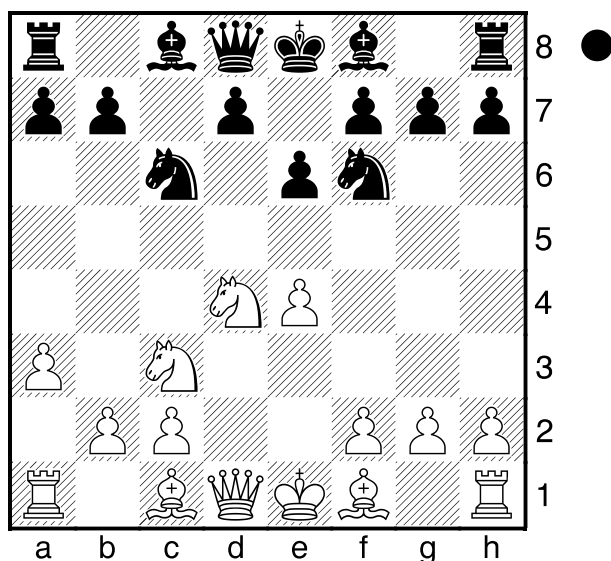
[ 6.Ndb5 d6 7.Bf4 e5 8.Bg5 a6

9.Na3 b5 ]

[and 6.Nxc6 bxc6 7.e5 Nd5 8.Ne4

Qc7 9.f4 Qb6 ]

(Diagram)



This little move has been picking up steam as the Latest Thing; perhaps everyone from 2880 down are tired of the two main lines, **6...Be7**

[ 6...Qc7!? ]

[ 6...Qa5!? ]

### 7.Be3

[ 7.f4!? ]

**7...d5?!** One of the points is that the "equalizing center break" isn't so equal.

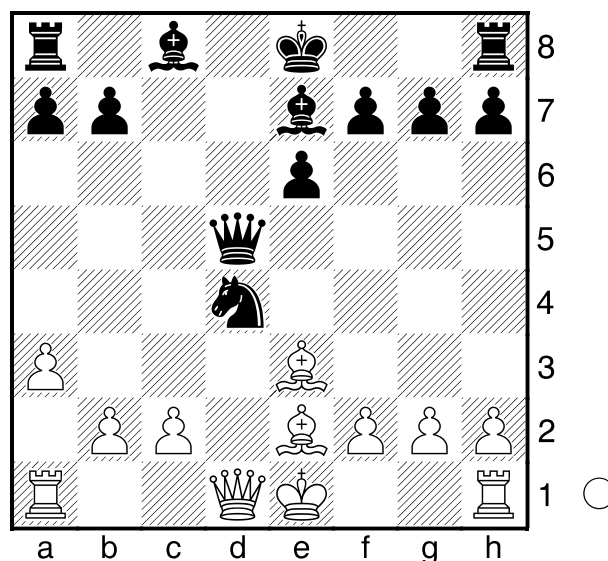
[ 7...0-0 8.Be2 Qc7 9.f4 d6 10.g4!? ]

is a dangerous pawn sacrifice that worked out in its most recent outing:

Nxd4 11.Qxd4 e5 12.Qd2 Nxg4 13.Bxg4 Bxg4 14.f5 1-0 (37) Sevan, S (2684) -Mamedyarov, S (2759), FTX Road to Miami Prelim, chess24 13.7. 2022. ]

**8.exd5 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Qxd5 10.Be2 Nxd4**

(Diagram)



### 11.Bxd4N

[ SF15 likes 11.Qxd4! ]

**A) 11...Qxg2?** 12.Bb5+ ( 12.0-0-0! is a lot better ) 12...Kf8 13.0-0-0 f6?! ( 13...Qd5 14.Qa4 Qf5

15.Rhg1 ) 14.Qc4 a6 15.Bc5 axb5 16.Bxe7+ Kxe7 17.Qc7+ Bd7

18.Qxd7+ Kf8 19.Rhg1 Qc6

20.Qxg7+ Ke8 21.Qxh8+ Ke7

22.Rg7# 1-0 Jozsa, M (1480)-Deli, G (1824) Fuzesabony 2001;

**B) 11...Qxd4 12.Bxd4 0-0?!**

( 12...Bf6 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.0-0-0 Bd7 15.Bf3 Rb8 16.Rd4 ) 13.Bf3

( 13.0-0-0!+- ) 13...a6 14.0-0-0 a5 15.Rd3 a4 16.Be4 Ra6 17.Rhd1

b5 18.c3 e5 19.Be3 Kh8 20.Rd5 Bb7 21.Rxe5 Bf6 22.Bxb7

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### 11...Qxg2

[ 11...e5!? ]

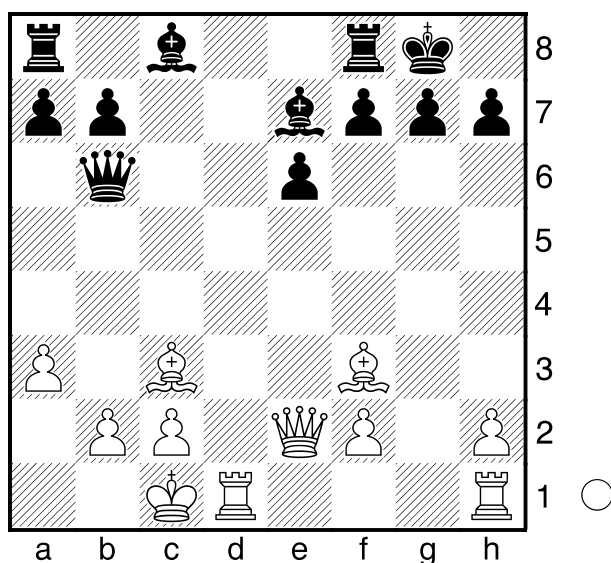
**12.Bf3** -- Whatever the move order:

Nice attack, nice upset!

[ 12...Qg6 Clearly written, but... There is only one scoresheet and I'm suspicious of how they got to the key position. 13.Qe2 0-0 14.0-0-0 Qg5+ written in strongly for some reason. Now it says "15.Bc3 Qb6" and the

game continuation. So let's go to that move order with 14...Qg5. ]  
 [Stockfish 15 in fact favors 12...Qg5  
 I'm guessing the move order of the game was

**A)** Now best is 13.h4!= Qf4  
 (Holding the g-pawn gets in trouble: 13...Qg6 14.Qe2 0-0 15.0-0-0+- with a big, probably winning advantage.; 13...Qh6 14.Rg1 Bf6 15.Be3 Qxh4 16.Qd6 Be7 17.Bc6+! Kf8 18.Qc7 bxc6 19.0-0-0+- Nice! );  
**B)** 13.Qe2 Qa5+?! ( 13...Bf6! 14.Bxf6 Qxf6 15.0-0-0 0-0- ) 14.Bc3 Qb6 15.0-0-0 (Actually better than taking on g7!) 0-0??



In any case, this is the game position: The game went:

**B1)** 16.Rhg1! g6 ( 16...f6 17.Be4 ) 17.Qe5 f6 18.Qh5  
 White powers up with a withering attack! Rf7 19.Be4 (20.Bxg6 is looming) Qc5 20.Rd8+;  
**B2)** 16.Bxg7! Kxg7 17.Qe5+ f6 18.Rhg1+ 1-0 ]

1-0

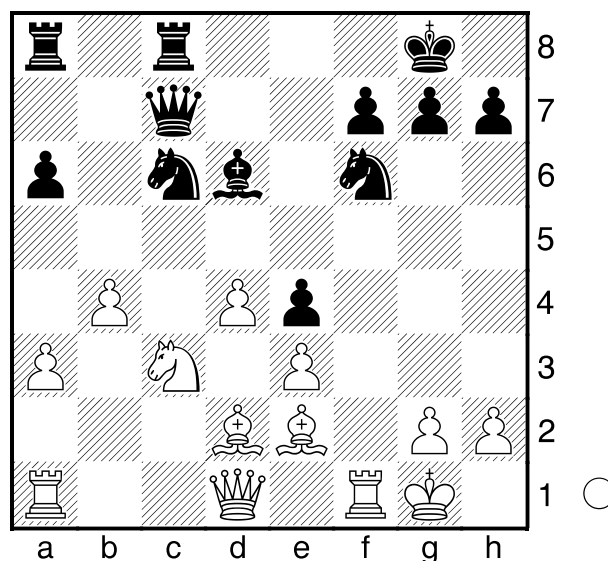
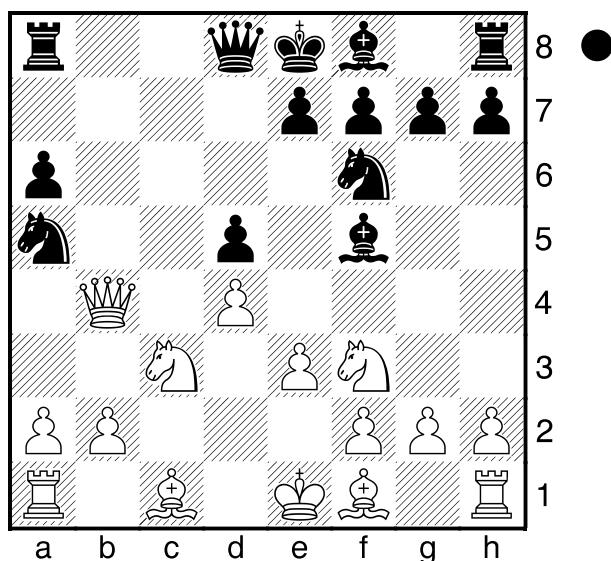
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**1452**  
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 [Winslow,Elliott]

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**D15**  
**1368**  
**1063**  
 MI Peter Grey:TNM: u1800 (5.33) 9.8.22  
 [Cao,Danny/Winslow,Elliott]

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 a6 5.e3 Bf5 6.cxd5 cxd5 7.Qb3 Nc6 [ 7...Qd7 ] [ 7...Ra7 ] [ 7...b5 ] 8.Qxb7 Na5 9.Qb4

(Diagram)



**e5?**

[ 9...Bd7! maintains full compensation. In fact, 10.Na4 e5 11.Nc5 Nc6 12.Qa3 Ne4 is "0.00": 13.Nd2 exd4 14.Ndxe4 dxe4 15.exd4 Nxd4 16.Qc3 Rc8 17.Qxd4 Bxc5 18.Qxe4+ Kf8 and now that I've played it out, it looks like White has an edge. ]

**10.Qa4+ Bd7 11.Qd1**

[ Maybe 11.Qc2 ]

**11...e4**

[ 11...exd4 ]

**12.Ne5+-** White has consolidated, and is winning. **12...Bb4 13.Be2**

[ 13.Bd2 ]

**13...0-0** Every move Black should toss in ...Bxc3⊕, so that White's c-pawn is backward and blockadable. **14.Nxd7 Qxd7 15.0-0 Rfc8**

[ 15...Bxc3 16.bxc3 Rfc8 ]

**16.Bd2**

[ 16.Na4! ]

**16...Nc6**

[ 16...Nc4 17.Bxc4 Rxc4 ]

**17.f3 Qe7**

[ 17...Bxc3 ]

**18.a3**

[ 18.Rc1 ]

**18...Bd6 19.fxe4 dxe4 20.b4 Qc7**

**21.g3?** Almost everything else wins;

[ Strongest is 21.Rxf6!+- Black's king comes under more fire than White's. ]

**21...Bxg3! 22.hxg3?**

[ 22.Rxf6! here too wins. ]

[ 22.Kh1! ]

**22...Qxg3+** The draw is agreed; it's a perpetual, as Black can't quite get any rook or knight into action quickly enough.

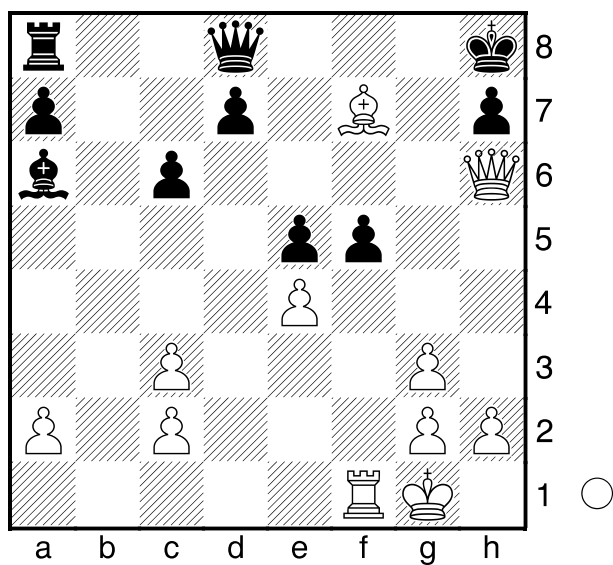
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**B33**  
 Powers, Christopher 1793  
 Lavi, Eilon 2110

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 [Winslow, Elliott]

**1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e5 6.Nxc6 bxc6 7.Bg5 Bb4 8.Bc4 Bxc3+ 9.bxc3 Qa5 10.Qf3 0-0 11.Bxf6 gxf6 12.0-0 Kg7 13.Qg3+ Kh8 14.Qh4 Kg7 15.Rae1 Qd8 16.Re3 f5 17.Rg3+ Kh8 18.Qh6 Rg8 19.Bxf7 Rxg3 20.fxg3 Ba6**

(Diagram)



**21.Rd1**

[ 21.Qd6! ]

**21...fxe4 22.Rxd7??**

[ 22.h4 Qf8 23.Qf6+ Qg7 24.Qxg7+ Kxg7 25.Rxd7+- ]

**22...Qb6+ 23.Rd4 Qb1+ 24.Kf2 Qf1+**

**25.Ke3 Qe2#**

**0-1**

## **44<sup>th</sup> Chess Olympiad, Part 2.**

### **FM Paul Whitehead**

The 44<sup>th</sup> Olympiad, held in Chennai India July 28 to August 10, ended in dramatic fashion with 14<sup>th</sup> ranked Uzbekistan taking Gold in the Open, while Ukraine took the top honors in the Women's Tournament. Uzbekistan were led by the World Rapid Champion, 17-year old GM Abdusattorov Nodirbek, Ukraine by the GM sister-duo of Mariya and Anna Muzychuk.

Both teams went undefeated.

The Gaprindashvilli Cup, awarded to the best Federation in combined Open and Women's tournaments, was won by the host country India.

2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Open was taken by Armenia, and 3<sup>rd</sup> went to the immensely talented India 2 team, whose top board, 16-year old GM Dommaraju Gukesh, took the Individual Gold on board 1. Georgia took Silver in the Women's tournament, while India took Bronze.

The top-ranked U.S. team could only draw their final match with India and finished in 5<sup>th</sup> place, with local hero GM Sam Shankland getting a crucial (and redemptive!) victory over GM S.L. Narayanan. Meanwhile, the U.S. Women finished in 4<sup>th</sup> place while inflicting a painful defeat on India in the final round, knocking the host country out of the 1<sup>st</sup> place they had held for the entire event.

Of the many outstanding individual results, we think 59-year-old veteran GM Pia Cramling's undefeated 9.5 -1.5 on 1<sup>st</sup> board for Sweden deserves special mention.

Final standings and individual board prizes can be found here:

<https://chess-results.com/tnr653631.aspx>

The Chess Olympiad is a place where the individual sport of chess is combined with national pride and team spirit. The following interview with Armenian 1<sup>st</sup> board, GM Gabriel Sargissian, perfectly captures those special ingredients needed to compete successfully on the world stage: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o2ufEzgqcQs>

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Here is just a small sample of news from around the world covering this historic event:

**Ireland –**

<https://www.balls.ie/other-sports/conor-murphy-chess-olympiad-519967>

**Uganda –**

<https://kawowo.com/2022/08/09/uganda-improves-to-82nd-in-open-category-at-44th-chess-olympiad/>

**Bangladesh -**

<https://www.thedailystar.net/sports/more-sports/news/bangladesh-womens-team-fare-better-44th-chess-olympiad-3091601>

**Jamaica -**

<https://sportstar.thehindu.com/chess/chess-olympiad/chess-olympiad-2022-team-jamaica-adani-clarke-an-inspiration-magnus-carlsen/article65744631.ece>

**Phillippines -**

<https://www.rappler.com/sports/results-philippines-georgia-hungary-chess-olympiad-august-7-2022/>

**Quatar -**

<https://thepeninsulaqatar.com/article/08/08/2022/qatar-beat-saint-lucia-for-4th-win-at-chess-olympiad>

**Guyana -**

<https://www.stabroeknews.com/2022/08/08/sports/callender-shariff-earn-conditional-womens-candidate-master-titles/>

**Sri Lanka -**

<https://www.dailynews.lk/2022/08/09/sports/284640/suneetha-receives-outstanding-game-changer-award>

**Barbados -**

<https://barbadostoday.bb/2022/08/06/barbados-defeat-bahamas-at-chess-olympiad/>

**Nigeria -**

<https://www.thisdaylive.com/index.php/2022/08/04/nigeria-drub-myanmar-zimbabwe-at-chess-olympiad-in-india/>

**Poland -**

<https://infoszach.pl/2022/08/06/dwa-slowa-oliwia-kiolbasa-8-runda-olimpiada-2022/>

**Armenia -**

<https://en.armradio.am/2022/08/08/44th-chess-olympiad-armenian-mens-team-defeats-azerbaijan-in-round-10/>

**Uzbekistan -**

<https://www.dw.com/en/uzbekistan-team-wins-chess-olympiad-in-chennai-ukraine-takes-womens-crown/a-62754140>

**Ukraine -**

<https://indianexpress.com/article/sports/chess/chess-olympiad-gold-for-ukraine-but-medal-cant-stop-a-war-8081154/>

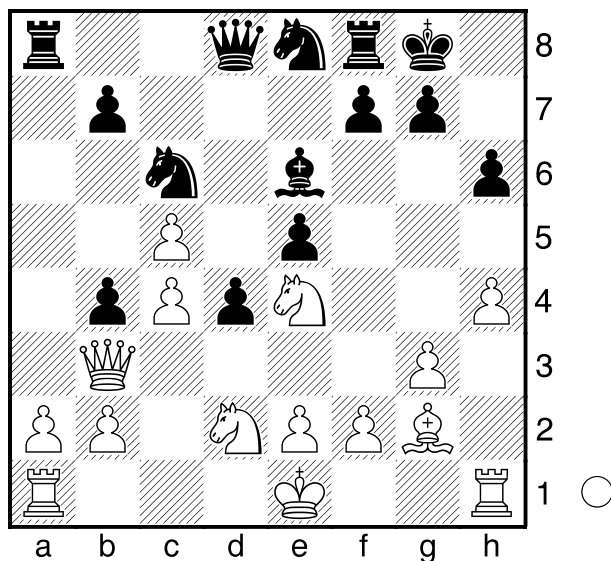
And here are a selection of games from the final four rounds:



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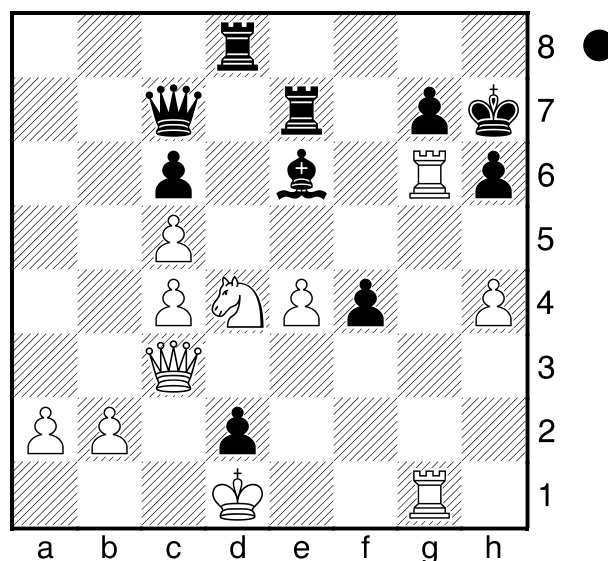
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 5.Bd2 a5 6.Bg2 0-0 7.Qc2 c5 8.dxc5  
 d4 9.Bxb4 axb4 10.Nbd2 Nc6 11.Ng5  
 e5 12.h4 h6 13.Nge4 Ne8 14.Qb3  
 Be6

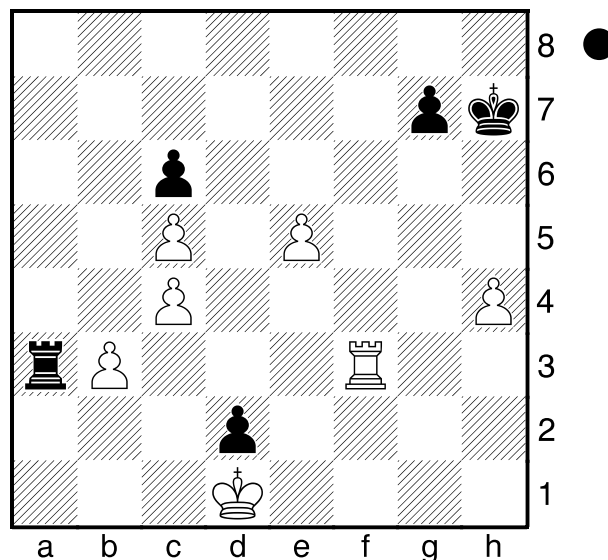


15.g4 Bxg4 16.Qg3 Be6 17.Rg1 f5  
 18.Nd6 Qf6 19.Bd5 Nd8 20.Nxe8  
 Rxe8 21.Qb3 e4 22.0-0-0 Nc6 23.Rg3  
 d3 24.e3 Rac8 25.Rdg1 Rc7 26.Rg6  
 Qe5 27.Bxc6 bxc6 28.Qxb4 Rce7  
 29.Nb1 Kh7 30.Qc3 Qc7 31.Nd2 Rf8  
 32.f4 exf3 33.Nxf3 f4 34.e4 Rd8  
 35.Nd4 d2+ 36.Kd1

(Diagram)



Rxd4 37.Qxd4 h5 38.Qd6 Bg4+  
 39.R6xg4 hxg4 40.Qxc7 Rxc7 41.Rxg4  
 Rb7 42.b3 Ra7 43.Rxf4 Rxa2 44.e5  
 Ra3 45.Rf3



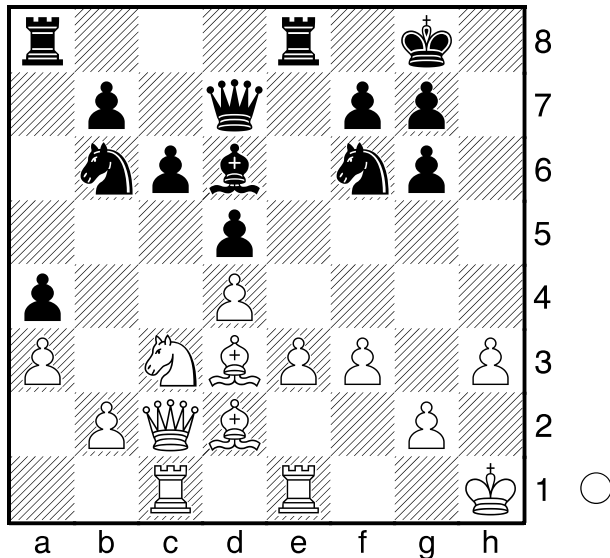
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**Shankland, Sam** **D12**  
**2720**  

**Hovhannisyan, Robert** **2591**  
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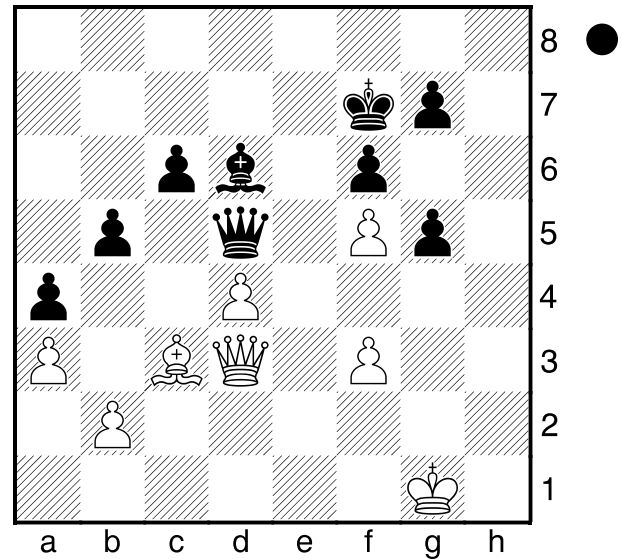
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 11.Rc1 Nb6 12.cxd5 exd5 13.Bd3 0-0  
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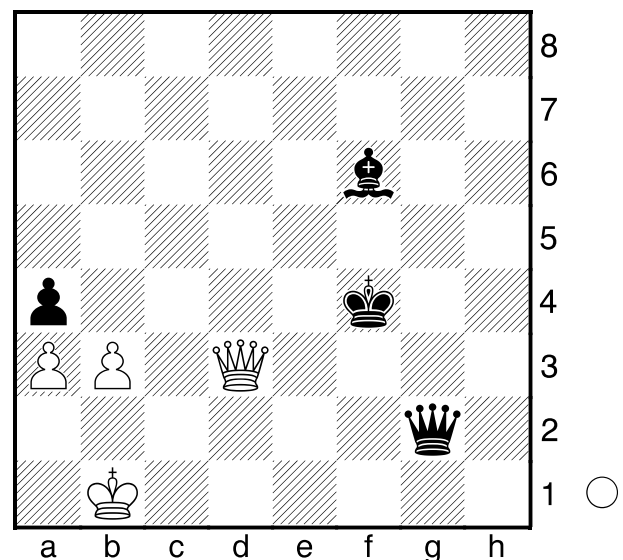


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 Qd6 29.Rxe7 Rxe7 30.Rxe7 Nxe7  
 31.Bb4 Qh6 32.Kg2 Nd5 33.Qe4 Ne3+  
 34.Kf2 Nxf5 35.gxf5 Qxh3 36.Bc3  
 Qh2+ 37.Ke1 Qg1+ 38.Ke2 Qg2+  
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 53.Kf2 Bc7 54.Kg1 Kg8 55.Qe3 Kf7  
 56.Qd3 Bb6 57.Kf2 Ba7 58.Kg3 Bb8+  
 59.Kf2 Bd6 60.Kg1 Ke8 61.Kf2 Kd7  
 62.Kg1 Kc7 63.Qe4 Kd7 64.Qd3 Bf4  
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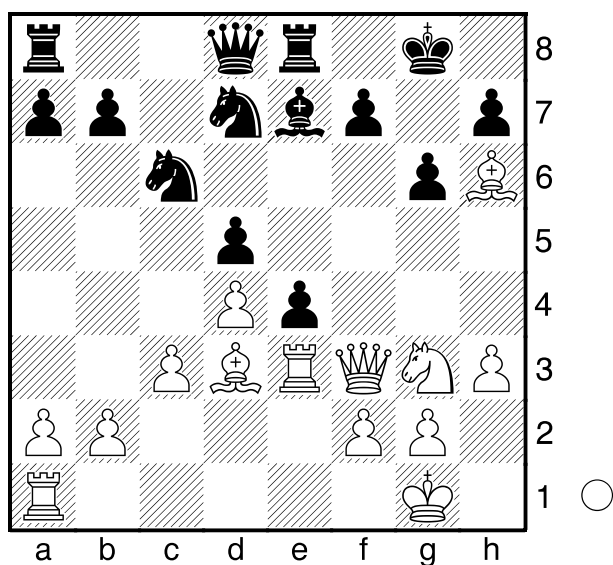
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 77.Bc3 Bf6 78.Ke1 g4 79.fxg4 Qh1+  
 80.Kd2 Qg2+ 81.Kc1 Qxg4 82.Bd2  
 Kg5 83.Qe4 Qg1+ 84.Kc2 Qf2  
 85.Qxc6 Qxd4 86.Qxb5+ Kg4 87.Bxf4  
 Qe4+ 88.Qd3 Qc6+ 89.Kb1 Kxf4  
 90.b3 Qg2



Here Sam, in mutual time-pressure and having expected 90...Qh1+, picked up his king and was forced to resign. 91. Qc4+ instead would have drawn easily.  
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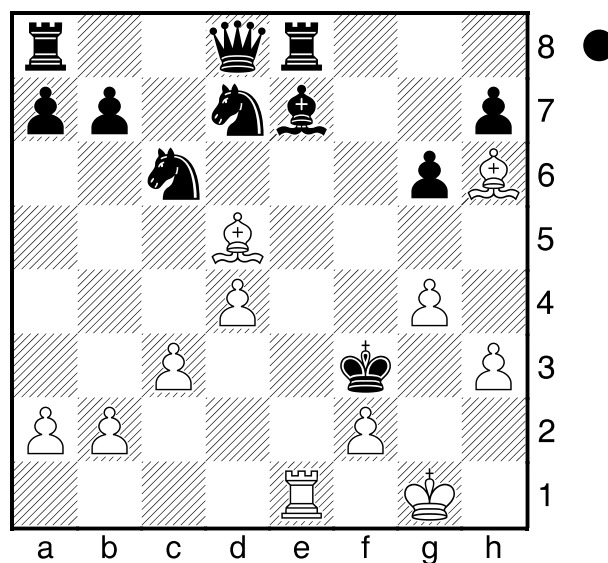
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 Bxf3 5.Qxf3 e6 6.Be2 Bc5 7.0-0 Nd7  
 8.exd5 cxd5 9.Rd1 Ngf6 10.d4 Be7  
 11.Bd3 0-0 12.Bf4 Nb8 13.Ne2 Nc6  
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 17.Re3 e5 18.Bh6 e4?

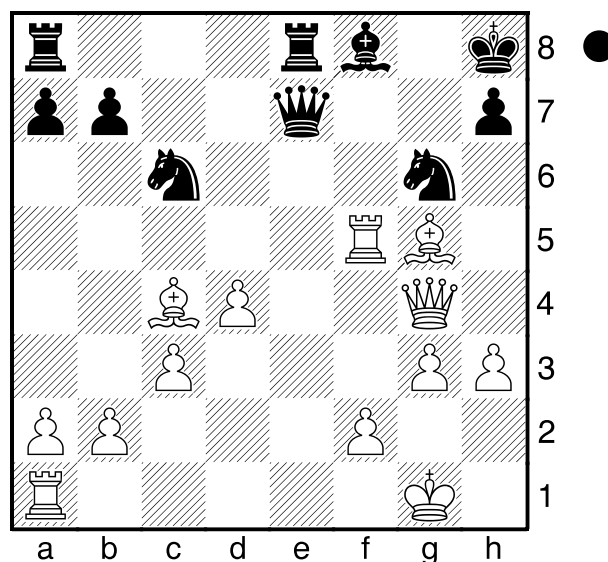


**19.Rxe4!! Nf8**  
 [ 19...dxe4 20.Qxf7+!! Kxf7 21.Bc4+  
 Kf6 22.Nxe4+ Kf5 23.g4+ Kxe4  
 24.Re1+ Kf3 25.Bd5#

(Diagram)



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 20.Rf4 f5 21.Nxf5 gxf5 22.Rxf5 Qd6  
 23.Qg4+ Ng6 24.Rxd5 Qf6 25.g3 Bf8  
 26.Rf5 Qe7 27.Bc4+ Kh8 28.Bg5

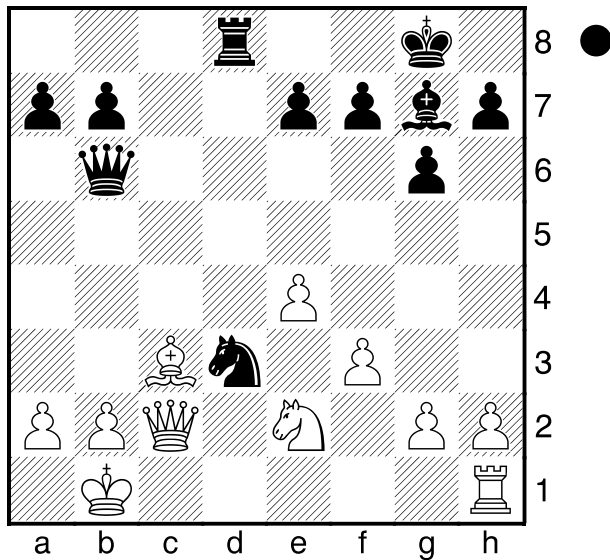


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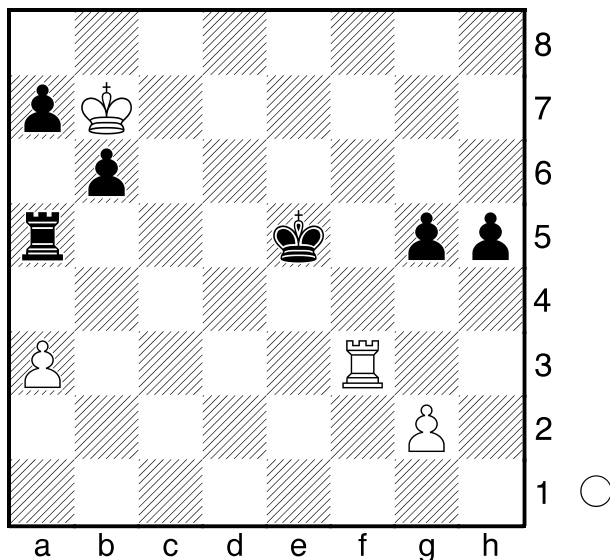
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Nxd7 11.Nxd4 Nc5 12.f3 0-0 13.Qd2  
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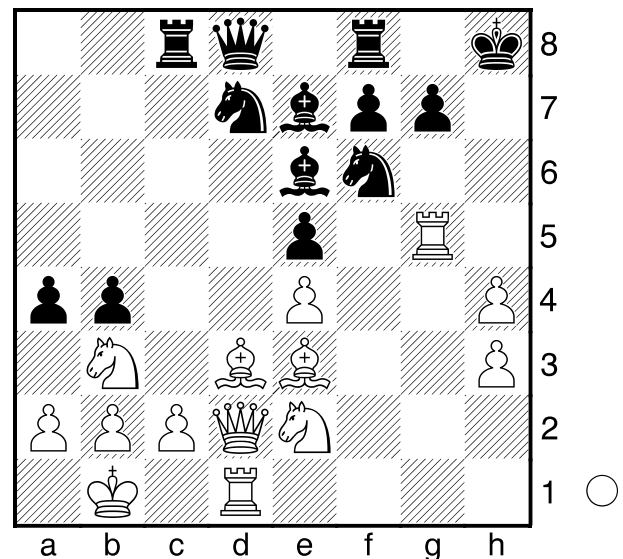
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34.hxg5 fxg5 35.a3 Kg7 36.Kb4 Kf6  
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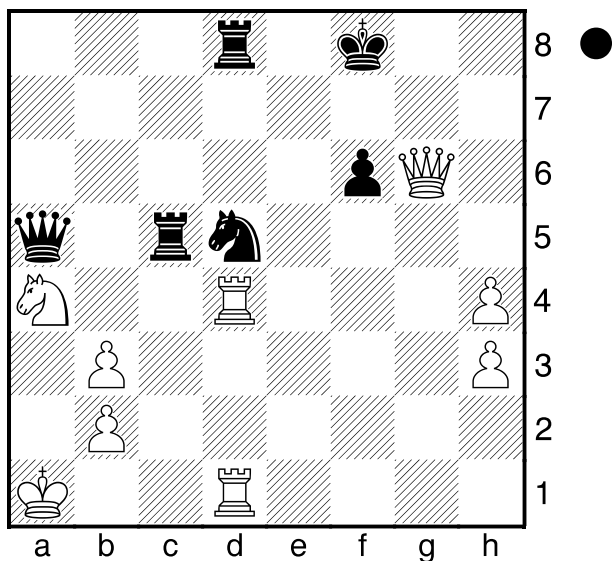
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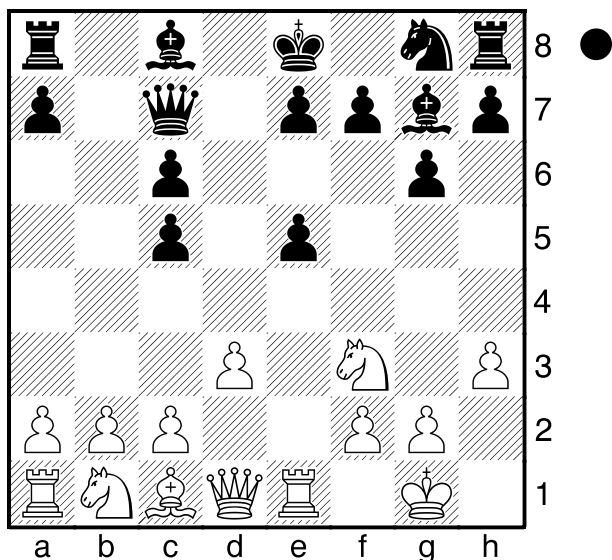
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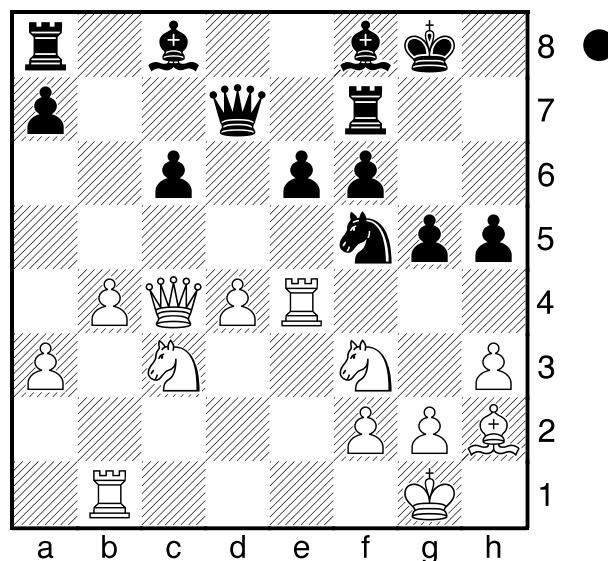
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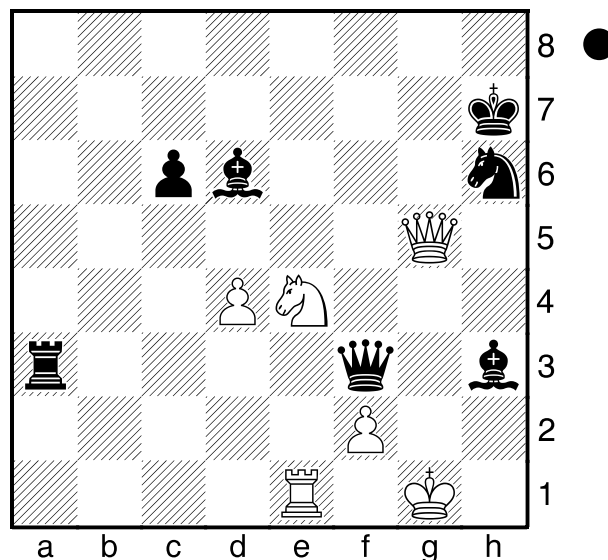


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 25.Rb1 Qd7 26.Rbe1 Qb7 27.Rb1  
 Qd7 28.a3



a5 29.Na4 Qd8 30.bxa5 Rxa5 31.Nc5  
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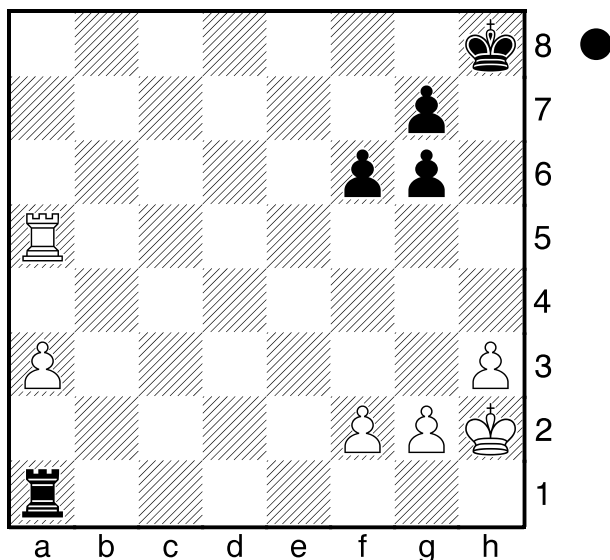
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□ **Kiolbasa,Oliwia**

■ **Vaishali R**

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hxc6 26.Qxc7 Rf7 27.Qxd7 Rfxd7  
28.Be3 Nf5 29.Bb6 Rb8 30.Rc6 Rd3  
31.Ra1 Ne7 32.Re6 Nd5 33.Bc5 Nc3  
34.Rxa6 Na4 35.Rd6 Nxc5 36.bxc5  
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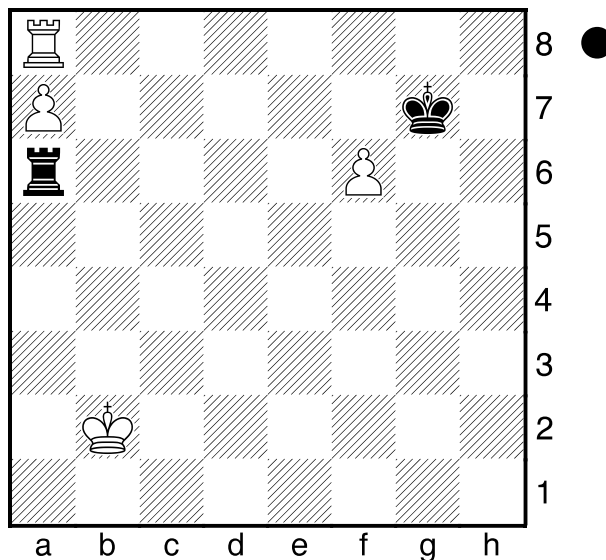
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**2376**

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Kg7 72.Kxf5 Ra1 73.Ke5 Re1+ 74.Kd4  
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□ **Gukesh D**

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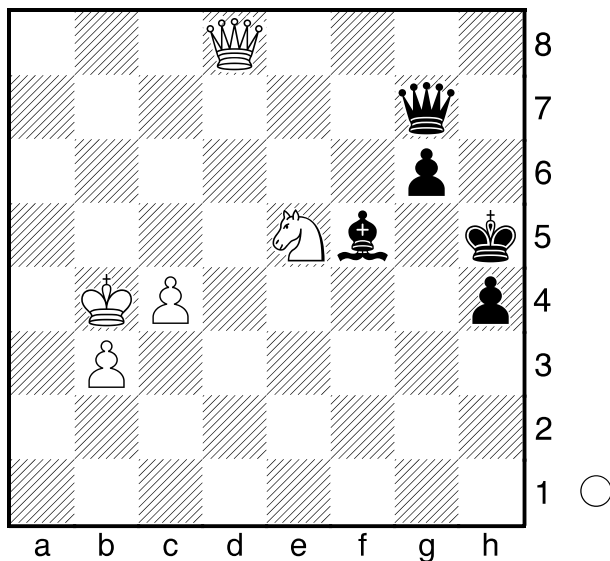
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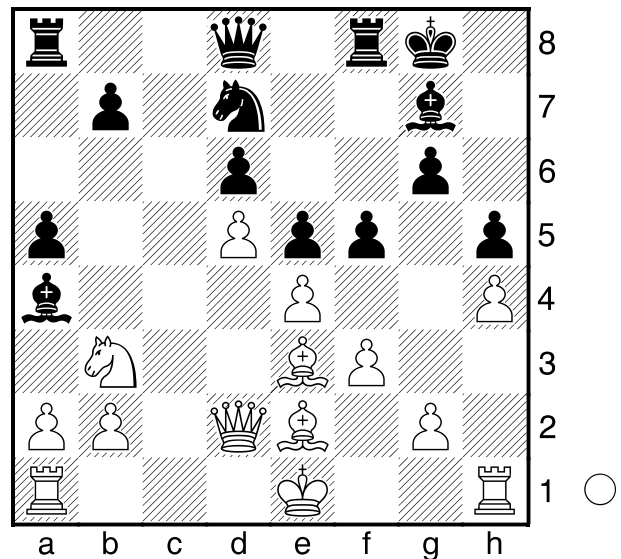
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□ Tania Sachdev  
■ Yip Carissa  
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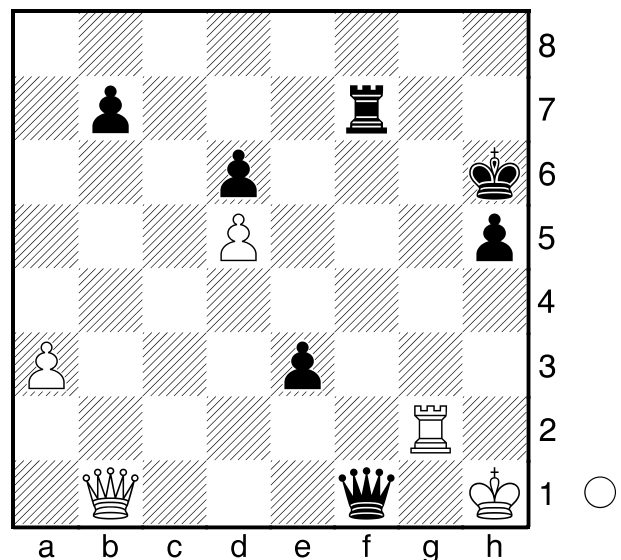
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12.f3 Bd7 13.Nb3 Na4 14.Nxa4 Bxa4  
15.c5 Nd7 16.cxd6 cxd6 17.Qd2 f5

(Diagram)

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18.exf5 gxf5 19.Bh6 Bxb3 20.axb3  
Nc5 21.Ra3 f4 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.b4  
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26.Qb6 e4 27.0-0 e3 28.Rc1 Rg8  
29.Rc4 Kh8 30.Bf1 Rg6 31.Qc7 Qxh4  
32.Qc8+ Kg7 33.Rc2 Qe7 34.Bd3 Rf6  
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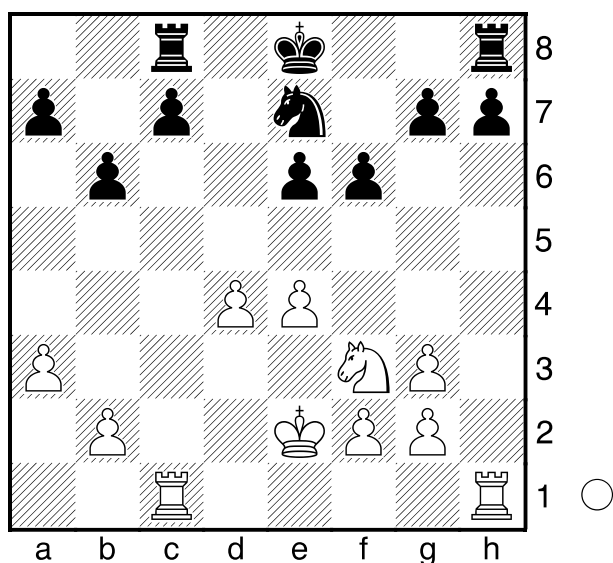


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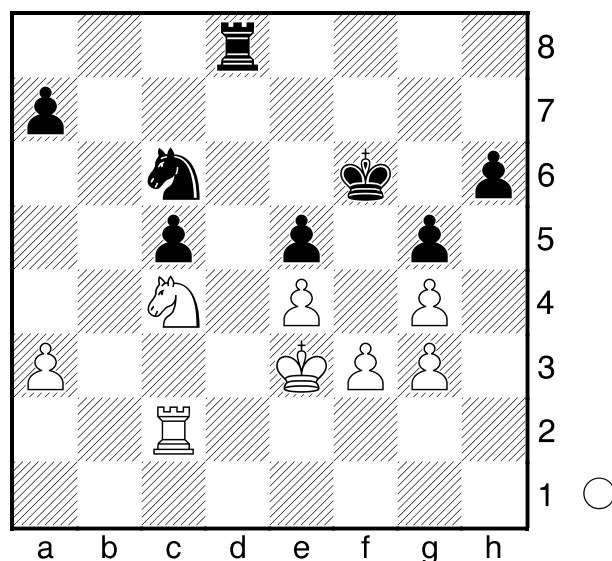
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 8.Qxc4 Ba6 9.Qa4+ Qd7 10.Qc2 Qc6  
 11.Qxc6+ Nxc6 12.Bf4 Nd5 13.Bg3  
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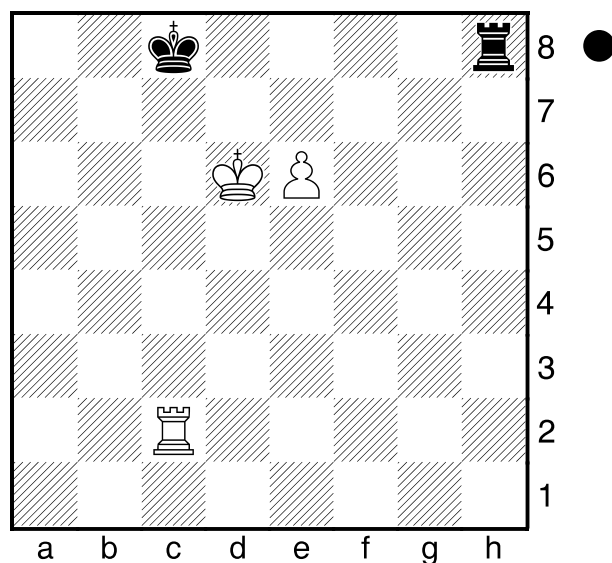


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 29.Rc3 e5 30.dxe5 fxe5 31.R1c2 Rd6  
 32.Nd2 Re6 33.Nc4 Rd4 34.f3 Kf6  
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 Rd6+ 38.Ke2 Ne7 39.Nc4 Rd4 40.Nb2  
 g6 41.Ke3 Rd8 42.Rh2 Ng8 43.Nd3  
 g5 44.Rc2 Rd6 45.Ke2 Ne7 46.Nb2  
 Rd8 47.Nc4 c5 48.bxc5 Nc6 49.Ke3  
 bxc5

(Diagram)



50.Nd2 Na5 51.Rxc5 Rxd2 52.Rxa5  
 Rb2 53.Ra6+ Ke7 54.Rxa7+ Kd6  
 55.Ra6+ Ke7 56.a4 Rb3+ 57.Ke2  
 Rb2+ 58.Kd3 Rb3+ 59.Kc4 Rxf3 60.a5  
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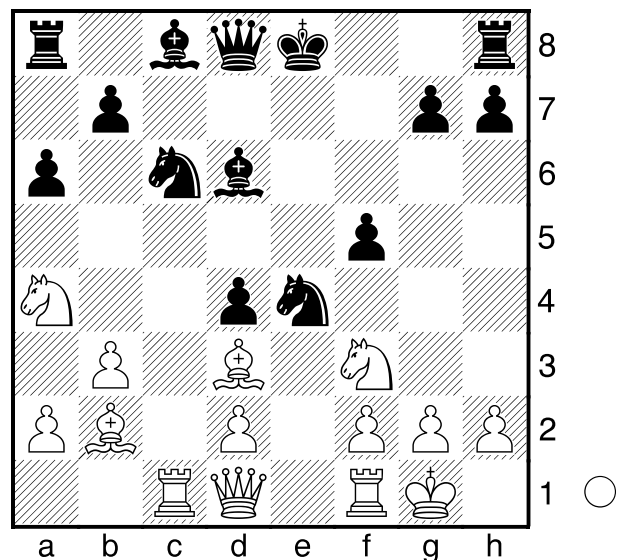
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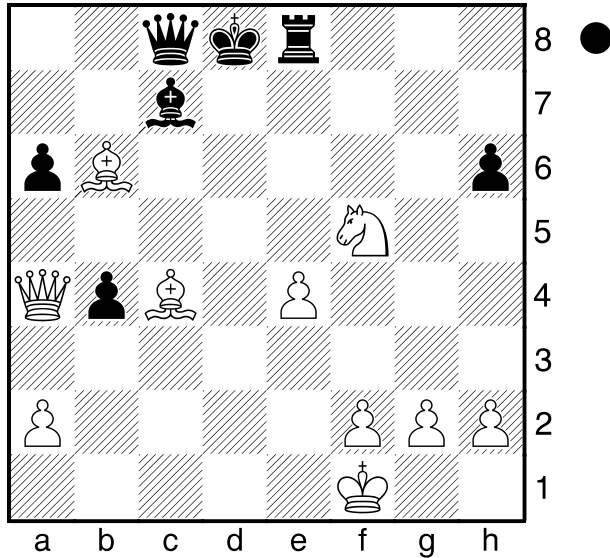
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12.exd4 cxd4



13.Rxc6 bxc6 14.Bc4 c5 15.d3 Nf6  
16.Re1+ Kf8 17.b4 cxb4 18.Bxd4 Rb8

19.Nc5 Qc7 20.Ne6+ Bxe6 21.Rxe6  
Re8 22.Ng5 h6 23.Rxe8+ Kxe8  
24.Ne6 Qb7 25.Qa4+ Ke7 26.Nxg7  
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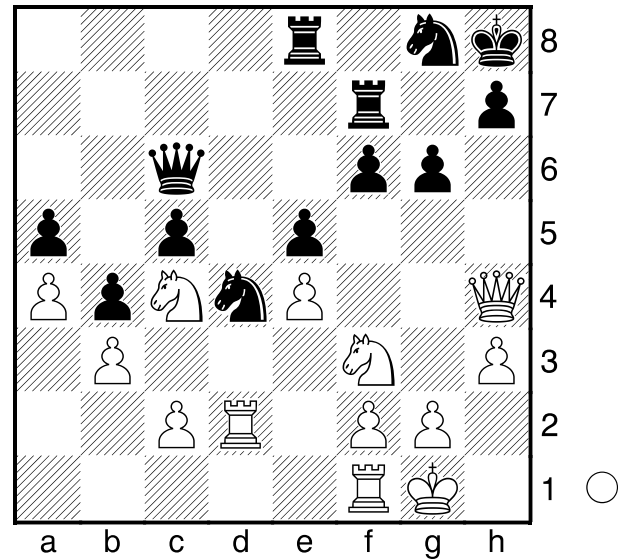


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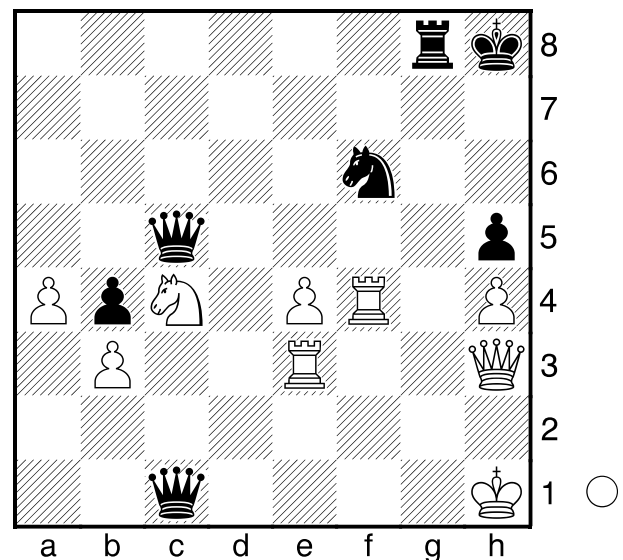
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11.a4 b4 12.Ne2 c5 13.Ng3 a5  
14.Rad1 Qc7 15.Bb5 Ba6 16.Bxa6  
Rxa6 17.Bh6 Re8 18.Qg5 Nf8  
19.Bxg7 Kxg7 20.Rd2 Ng8 21.Nf5+  
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Nd4

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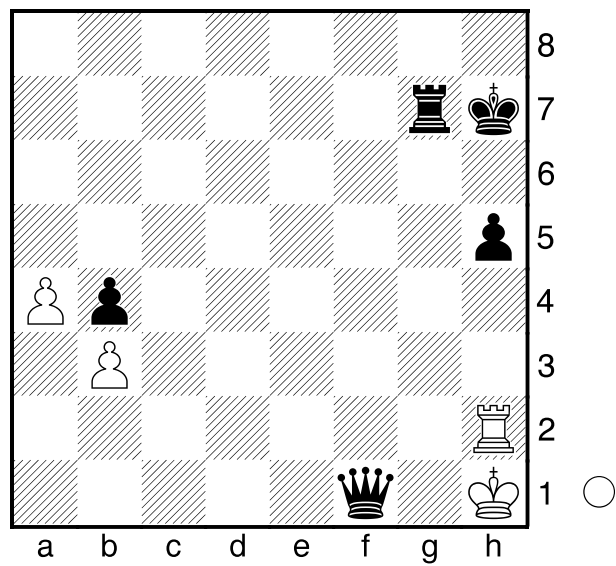


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[ 33.Qg3! ]  
33...Qc5 34.Kh1 g5 35.Qg3 h5 36.h4  
g4 37.Rde2 gxf3 38.gxf3 Rg8 39.Qh3  
e4 40.fxe4 Rf4 41.Rf1 d3 42.Re3  
dxc2 43.Rxf4 c1Q+



44.Rf1 Qc2 45.Rxf6 Qxe4+ 46.Rff3  
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Rg7 52.Re2 Qc6+ 53.Kh2 Qd6+  
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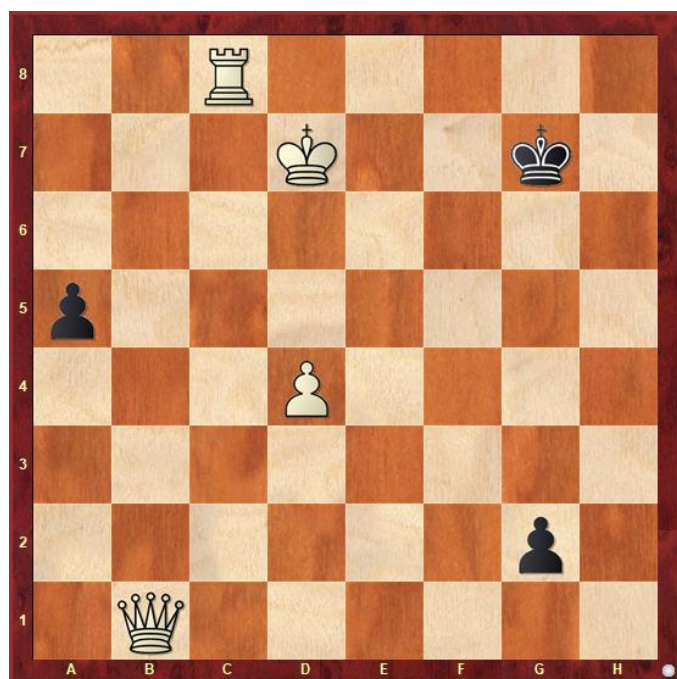


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## Tony's Teasers



1. G. Quack 1987.  
White mates in two Moves.



2. A. Shinkman 1901.  
White mates in three moves.

## IM John Donaldson

*United States Women's Chess Champions, 1937–2020* (2022, McFarland, [McFarlandBooks.com](https://www.mcfarlandbooks.com), paperback, 238 pages, \$49.95) by Alexey Root fills a gap in American chess literature. Previous to its publication one could find little on the subject beyond a bare bones list of winners. Basic information such as a crosstable or a game played by the champion were often missing for many of these events. Even reliable biographical information about the winners was hard to find. No more.

The author, a Women's International Master and the 1989 U.S. Women's Champion, covers all the U.S. Women's championships from the event's debut in 1937 up to 2020. Each of the 29 women who have held the title is given their own chapter which includes a brief biography, representative games and a well-chosen photograph of good quality.



All living champions were consulted with many contributing reminiscences that enable the reader to better appreciate the struggles they faced. The book ends with cross-tables of all the U.S. Women's Championships.

Having the latter information in one place is a major accomplishment and one chess historians will gratefully appreciate, but this book is much more. Those who read

*United States Women's Chess Champions, 1937–2020*, will learn a lot about American chess history. Today, one tends to think of the impact of immigration on top American chess, as a recent phenomenon. It's certainly true US Championships for both genders, as well Olympiad teams, include many players not born in the United States. Yet this is nothing new, as Root points out in her introduction. In fact, 20 of the 29 U.S. Women's

Champions were immigrants. This goes back to the first, Adele Rivero Belcher, who was born in Belgium. *United States Women's Chess Champions, 1937–2020* is filled with such observations.

Root traces the rise in strength of the U.S. Women's Championship which has skyrocketed the past half century. Back in the early 1970s the average rating of the field was no more than 1800 but two decades later most players were over 2200. Today the yearly field comes in at well over 2400 USCF and the future looks bright with close to a dozen Americans on FIDE's top 100 Girls under 21 rating list.

Those who want to learn more about the history of the U.S. Women's Championship and the rise of American female chess players will find *United States Women's Chess Champions, 1937–2020* a fascinating read.

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## **Richard Hack**

### **Tales from the Chess Café**

(DATELINE AUGUST 8, 2022–SAN FRANCISCO AND ALL POINTS)

The Chess Café met on Zoom.

“Shankland thought it was a different move.”

“You mean you can’t touch your own piece when it’s not your move?”

“No.”

“You can’t see the board all at once—your eyes move back and forth.”

Paul: “They both had time. Shankland had two minutes.”

Charles joked, “He was making a premove.”

Paul: “Shankland has made some incredible mistakes. He resigned against Giri in January 2019 at the Tata Steel in Wijk aan Zee when it was a draw. Giri said he quickly explained to him that it was a fortress.”

Sal: “I was looking at his result and surprised to see 0-1.”

I gave another reading from Tony Santasiere’s rich book The Romantic King’s Gambit. When it is “played with feeling and from the heart, . . . the aim of chess [and] anything else is not to win but to love! . . . The standard is simple love. Then even failure is altogether rewarding.”

We reminded ourselves that he was a very successful player, a club and state champion from his 20s to his 60s; who loved to open 1. Nf3 and 2. b4, called “Santasiere’s Folly,” better known as “the Orang-Outang,” writes the publisher, Ken Smith, “which is an unorthodox opening that has been tried by many, but he was about the only one who could make it work properly.” Thirty years a critic for the American Chess Bulletin, he was a colorful writer, whose annotations sometimes fill with plot points from good stories.

Sure, there’s always something bigger than winning and losing. What is it? I ask you. I like to hear new, flexible ways of putting it.

We heard about the breaking news of the FBI raid in Florida and received it with comments and some smattering of applause.

“Maybe this is check.”

Charles replied to a legal question by citing 18 U.S. Code 71 about “anyone who conceals, removes, obliterates . . . records . . .”

Screen Share began at 4:20 p.m., 20 minutes after Zoom Theater opened, and look, my own game comes on, black in a Classic Caro-Kann against Thomas Gu in last week’s TNM, a fast-learning player age 9 who’s about doubled his rating in less than six

months. He also plays in a lot of weekend tournaments, goes to school fulltime and pitches for the baseball team. He was tired at the end of our game, which lasted just about the full four hours, each player finishing with less than five minutes. Henceforth his chess focus may just be on the TNM.

Paul immediately told people how I fell asleep in my last encounter with him, an extra game in the previous TNM, and was checkmated by an old trap where the white queen comes early to e2 after the exchange of pawns on e4. Next move, if black still doesn't push the king pawn to e6 or move the queen knight a second time after its old modern move to d7, the white knight can spin down on d6 and put paid to the feckless gink immured in false safety.

Elliott pointed out that in the new game I was careless about playing 7. . . e6 instead of the standard strategy of . . . Bf5 first. Then: "We avoided all the modern lines. ...Ngf6, right."

We looked at . . . Nb6 and . . . Bb4+. And how good white is with Ne5, Bd3, and Qd2 and some variants of that formation.

Sal: "Didn't Kasparov not believe Deep Blue would make this move?"

It was talked about.

"5. Ng5 is best and . . . h6 bad; white can sacrifice the queen at e6."

5. Bd3. 6. Ngf3.

Mike Walder: "Another famous game in this line, Kamsky vs. Karpov, without . . . h6. I have a whole lot of prep on this I was saving for Tarjan. (Laughs.) Black's playing for control of e5 with Nd7, Bd6, and Qc7. Qg4 is the hot move."

On the electronic board black moves . . . Kf8 to defend his g-pawn. "That's what they do."

After Ne4-g3, . . . h5 because the knight is not stable there.

One says Jan Markos, *Under the Surface* resents the term "pawn skin." Apparently you can play outside the skin or inside. You may have seen the cover of the book with a confused player in a suit standing on the bow of an ocean liner approaching a very tall underwater mountain of ice he can only see the very tip of. Middlegame moves on a scoresheet chiseled into the ice appear almost entirely underwater.

Paul on black's side in the Caro-Kann: "Be7 may have been better for you than Bd6."

"I was thinking about going there, but played instead a book move I had memorized instead of evaluating it for myself."

"See, it goes back to e7 anyway. Now for white, maybe c3 supporting d4 is better than c4. He's young, aggressive, and maximalist. Ne5 is good. For white on move 16 maybe dxe6 instead of d6."

I said, "I knew I would win the d6 pawn pretty soon."



"Maybe. Your Qd8 here and your defense generally was good. 17. . . Ne8 might have been better than . . . Qb6."

Elliott: "With bishop and knight versus rook and pawn, who wins?"

Paul: "The better player. White's better. Tal has a lot of games with rook vs. 2 pieces."

He goes back to g8 with his king.

Trish: "Now which pawn here should create luft?"

Paul explained; and said, white can't yet land a haymaker. At first he searched for that term and stumbled once, inspiring Elliott to quip, "Haymarket."

"That was in 1886," I told him.

"What a riot."

Mike: "Instead of 26. g3, play Ng4." And he likes 27. Ne5 instead of the sac on g6.

Elliott sees a white win if he had played 30. Ne7+.

Paul and Sal show how I could have played 30. . . Nxf4 instead of Rxf4.

We got to So-Melkumyan, "one of the best games from the Olympiad so far," says Paul. "So is the best-performing American."

"That's not saying much," said Elliott.

Paul: "We still have a chance to tie for first as of today."

We see the game Gukesh-Adbusattorov.

"These kids are 16, 17 now and taking over the chess world."

Elliott: "The pawns on black squares make the Be2 look sick."

Sal: "Trying to get an Exchange Variation Reversed. Sort of like the Caro-Kann Exchange Variation."

Elliott: ". . . Bf8 forces Bh6xf8, then e4."

"Rxe4, then Qxf7."

Sal: "Black probably said, 'Oh.' "

"Unlike Thomas he's got 4 pawns for the piece."

Sal: "I told people at The Marshall Spectator to check out what the Mechanics' Institute's newsletter is doing. Members' games and so on."

Paul: "I try to get people to send theirs."

Sal: "It helps people feel more part of the club."

Elliott: "A lot of people now send in notes to their games, not just the moves."

5:17 p.m. Adjournment is listed for 5:30, but we go a little longer now, it's summertime.

Replying to a question, Elliott said, "I used to be a Missouri player. Bob Holliman (2200) used to be from St. Louis." Talking of games from a week ago, "The senior thing: have I really worked everything out, mmm, not really."

Then came Dimitrios-Caruana, and mention of another Olympiad game we didn't get to this week.

We focused more on Mike Walder-Guy Argo: 1. c4 f5.

Michael: "He changed his move order. I played something probably worse, but it seemed more helpful or fun. . . . I'm getting ready to bully him now."

13. . . Bf6! instead of . . . Rf6.

Michael: "He's doing OK, though the position is still not even."

Finally 21. Bh5+.

Someone asked Elliott about that problem game in the Tournament of State Champions. Elliott: "He said, 'The clock is defective—my clock is still ticking!' 'No," I said, 'I think you missed the button.' It was a good but still a \$20 clock. The levers were fine. It wasn't a Pal Benko clock with the rubber-band-like mechanism inside. I promptly lost. My opponent then lost to Doug Root, who won on tiebreak to qualify for next year's Senior Invitational."

Elliott said he'd be quick with one more game.

Sal: "At the Marshall we're presenting more shows, Asa Hoffmann and Jennifer Shahade. Next month Vachier-LaGrave will come for a lecture and a simul."

Elliott: "One of the Marshall Gambits that might actually work."

I read afterward: "The positionally complex Abrahams-Noteboom Variation in the Slav Defense, in which Black gets two connected passed queenside pawns against White's central pawns." (MCO 15)

Paul: "It's like a Blumenfeld Reversed."

E.: "Looks like I should have a sac on e6, but I did something else, I played 22. d5 and he resigned. Too much fooling around. He made too many goofy moves. Then put them back where they started from, and eventually I was a million moves ahead."

Ah, to live that good life.

After finishing this, listening to Lester Young with the Oscar Peterson Trio for a good while.

(For more information about the Chess Café go here:  
<https://www.milibrary.org/chess/chess-cafe>)

## A Puzzle in the Library

Every week or so the Mechanics' Institute's Head of Technical Services, Steven Dunlap, puts up a chess puzzle in the library for our members to solve.



This position is from Bruce Pandolfini: *Smothering the Queen* in "Chess Life Kids" June 2022 issue, p.20-21. Periodicals section, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor.

White to play and win. The title provides the only hint you should need...

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## - Upcoming Events -

### Tournaments:

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> Peter Grey Memorial Tuesday Night Marathon - Ongoing**

Tuesday, July 12, 2022 - Tuesday, August 23 2022. 6:30PM. USCF + FIDE Rated. 7 Round SS G/120;d5

Information: <https://www.milibrary.org/chess-tournaments/2nd-peter-grey-memorial-tuesday-night-marathon>

Registration: <https://mechanics-institute.jumbula.com/2022Tournaments/2ndPeterGreyMemorialTuesdayNightMarathon>

#### **16<sup>th</sup> B. Smith Memorial G/40;d5**

Saturday August 20, 2022. 4 games of G/40;d5.

Information: <https://www.milibrary.org/chess-tournaments/16th-smith-memorial->

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Registration: <https://mechanics-institute.jumbula.com/2022Tournaments/16thSmithMemorialChampionship>

### **August Monthly Championship Quads**

Saturday, August 13, 2022, 3PM. 3 games of G/40;d5.

Information: <https://www.milibrary.org/chess-tournaments/mechanics-championship-quads>

Registration: <https://mechanics-institute.jumbula.com/2022Tournaments/MechanicsChampionshipQuadsAug2022>

### **Mechanics' Institute Monthly Scholastic Swiss – In Person**

Saturday August 13, 2022, 10AM. USCF Rated. 4 games of G/30;d5

Information: <https://www.milibrary.org/chess-tournaments/mechanics-institute-monthly-scholastic-swiss-person>

Registration: <https://mechanics-institute.jumbula.com/2022Tournaments/MechanicsInstituteKidsSwissAug2022>

### **August USCF Online-Rated Scholastic Tournaments via ChessKid.com**

Saturday August 20, 3PM. 6 games of G/15+2

For Information and links to register: <https://www.milibrary.org/chess-tournaments/uscf-online-rated-scholastic-tournaments-2022-chesskidcom>

### **Vladimir Naroditsky Memorial TNM**

Tuesday, September 6, 2022 to Tuesday, October 18, 2022. 6:30PM. USCF + FIDE Rated. 7 Round SS G/120;d5

Information: <https://www.milibrary.org/chess-tournaments/vladimir-naroditsky-memorial-tuesday-night-marathon>

Registration: <https://mechanics-institute.jumbula.com/2022Tournaments/VladimirNaroditskyMemorialTuesdayNightMarathon>

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### **Free Women's Online Class with FIDE Trainer Sophie Adams**

Every Sunday from 10AM – 12PM.

Information: <https://www.milibrary.org/chess/free-womens-online-chess-class>

Registration: <https://mechanics-institute.jumbula.com/2022Classes/FREEWomensOnlineChessClassSundays1012>

## Solutions to Tony's Teasers

Problem #1: 1.Be2! Zugzwang. 1...Bxf3 2.Qxg7#. 1...Kf5 3.Nh4#. 1...Nf5 2.Ne5#.

Problem #2: 1.Rc2!! a4 (1...Kf6 2.Rxg2 and 3.Qf1#. 1...g1=Q 2.Qxg1+ then either 3.Rf2# or 3.Rh2#.

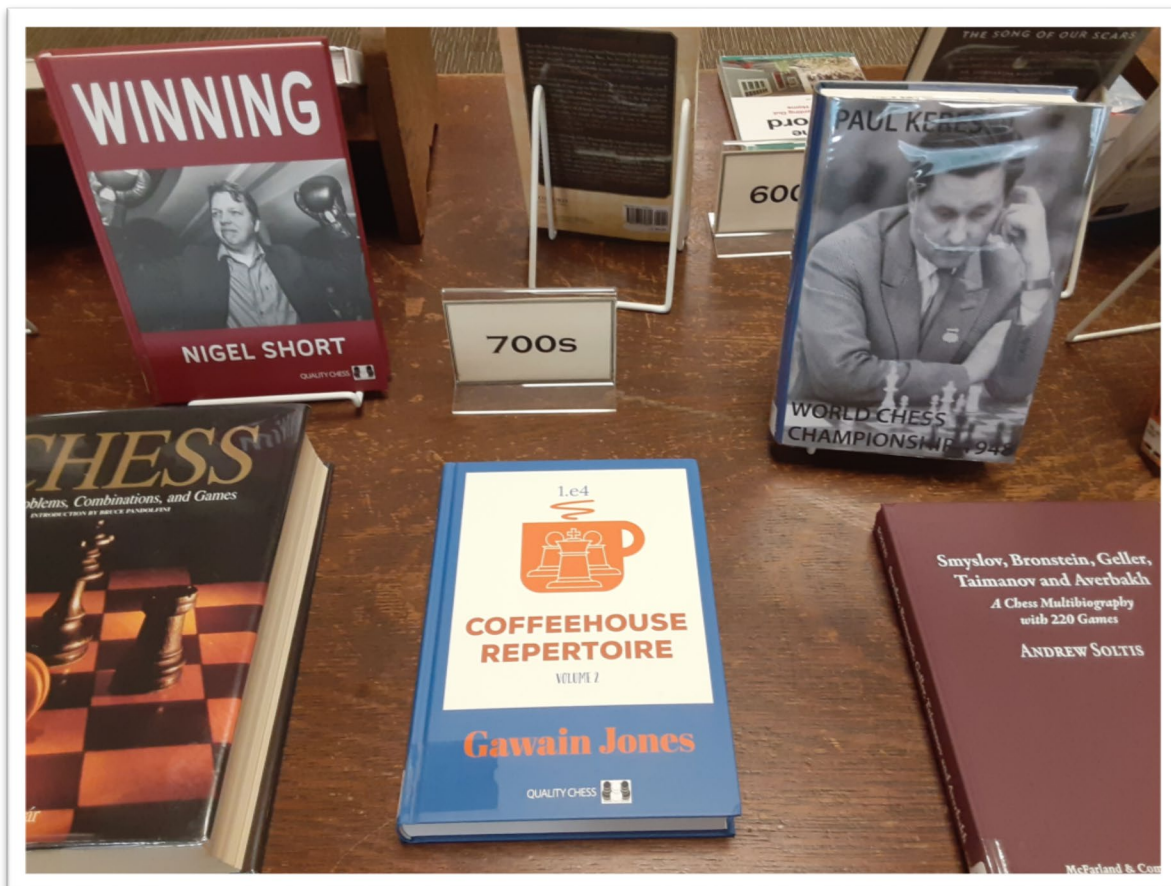
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