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Winter TNM: 2000+ (3.1) [Lewis,Edward/(Winslow,Elliott)]
1.e4 e6 Suprise! No Pirc, Modern or KID today. 2.d3 d5 Black has already equalized (0.00) 3.Nd2 c5 4.Ngf3 Nc6 5.g3 Bd6 6.Bg2 Nge7


The set of knights, for both sides, seem offset from the development of their natural squares but perhaps could yield greater outposts in the near future. 7.0-0 Qc7 8.Re1 0-0 9.c3 Ng6 Not the greatest square for the $\mathrm{N},+0.35$ White gains a small initiative back. 10.a3 Bd7
(Diagram)

?? A cluster development concept of the minor pieces. I first noticed this type of development style in a GM Walter Browne game. The stage is set, how will White continue? 11.d4! $\pm$


White tries to collapse the center.
11...cxd4 12.cxd4 Rac8 0.65

Better was ...h6 or ...Qb6, after which ...
Rc8 looks plausable; now White gains even more of an initiative.
[(EW -- note 12...dxe4 13.Nxe4 Be7 14.h4 gets pushed further back, what with h5 and Bf4 coming) ]
13.e5 Be7 14.b4

a5? 0.65 Now Black's knight is misplaced, where it is inactive and a bit of a hindrance. I thought I could reroute in time for the endgame. 15.b5 Na7 16.a4 Qc2 17.Ba3 Bxa3 18.Rxa3 Ne7?!

+1.70 White is better but redeveloping Ne7 seemed so natural. 19.Bf1 b6 20.Qa1 Qg6 Time to leave and find work elswhere. 21.Rc1 Nf5 22.Bd3 Qh6

(+3.66) Black is in trouble positionally. White is on fire and coming. Can Black create a way out of this mess? 23.Bxf5 exf5 24.Rac3


Rxc3 25.Rxc3 Be6 26.Rc7 Nc8 27.Qc3 f4 Black is trying to creep like a spider on the f-file. Hopefully White gets lost somewhere else on the board and doesn't see me sneaking towards his king.
(Diagram)

28.h4?! And just like that, Black is equal due to White's miscalculation.
[(EW -- Stockfish has 28.Nf1
as +- even, but I don't know why.) ] 28...fxg3! 29.fxg3 f6??
[29...Qg6! 30.Nf1 f6き]


And just like that, black is in trouble again. +3.00 Funny how chess is like that sometimes. However, the show must go on. 30.Qc6! Qe3+! 31.Kh1!+Bg4! 32.Qxd5+ Kh8
(Diagram)

33.exf6?? Yet again, Black is equal 0.00 , this game has been a twist of ideas and choices.
[ 33.Rf7!+- (EW -- the only, winning, move)]
33...gxf6 34.Qb7


Qd3?? 2.73 ?? White is now on top [34...Bf5 $\square=$ ]
35.Nh2? $\mp-1.80$ Now Black is on top! 35...Bf5?
[Black missed 35...Nd6! $\mp$
Time is short for both.]
36.Qf3! $\pm 0.85$
(Diagram)


White is better 36...Qxf3+?!
[36...Nd6 37.Qxd3 Bxd3 38.Nhf3
Rd8 $39 . \mathrm{Kg} 1 \pm$ ]
37.Nhxf3+- Re8 38.Kg1?
[38.d5!+- ]
38...Kg8?
[ 38...Ne7! $\pm$ ]
39.Kf2?!
[ 39.d5+- ]
[39.Nc4! ]
39...Bd3?
[ 39...Ne7 40.Nc4 Nd5 41.Rc6!士] 40.g4


Everything is winning for White at this
moment. 40...Ne7 41.Rc3?!
[41.Rd7 Nc8 42.d5]
41...Bg6士 42.Rc7 h5?!
[ 42...Nd5! ]
43.g5! fxg5 44.hxg5+- Bd3 45.Ne5 Rf8+ 46.Ndf3?!
[46.Kg3! Nf5+ 47.Kh3+-]
46...Nd5!?

47.Rc6 Be4 48.Kg3 Kg7 49.Rd6 [ 49.Nh4! Rf1 50.Nef3]
49...Nc3!? 50.Rxb6?!
[50.Nd2! Ne2+ 51.Kh3! (51.Kh4
Rf4+ 52.Kxh5?? Ng3\#) 51...Bd5!!
52.Rd7+ Kg8 53.Kh4 Be6! 54.Rb7 Rf2 $\pm$ ]
50...Nxa4?
[ $50 . . . h 4+!=$ ]
51.Ra6+- Nc3
(Diagram)


## 52.Rxa5?

[52.Ra7+! Kg8 53.b6 Ra8 54.Re7 somehow White weaves ...
*something* ... with a win. But that apawn sure looks dangerous! ]
52...Ne2+ 53.Kf2 Bxf3? Black is creating complications (but for himself!). Now king to e3 is key, but White reacted with low-time logic.
[ 53...Nxd4!= ]
54.Ra7+?
[54.Ke3!+- ]
54...Kg8 55.Nxf3
[55.Ke3!? Nc3! 56.Nxf3 Nxb5き]
55...Nxd4= 56.Ra3 Nxb5 57.Rd3 Nc7 58.Kg3 Ne6 59.Rd6 Ng7
(Diagram)


With 3 minutes on Black's clock, 34 seconds on White's clock. What a game on Board \#1!! Thank you Christophe Bambou, till next time.
$1 / 2^{-1 / 2}$

D07
Dasika,Archit 2218
Gray,William
1964
Winter TNM: 2000+(3.2) 21.11.2023
[Winslow,Elliott]
1.d4 d5 2.c4 Nc6 3.Nc3 dxc4 4.e3
e5 5.d5 Na5 6.Qa4+ c6 7.dxc6 Nxc6
8.Bxc4 Nf6 9.Nf3 Bd6 10.0-0
[Relevant: 10.Ng5 0-0 11.Qc2 g6
12.h3 Bf5 13.Qe2 Rc8 14.g4 Bd7
15.a3 Na5 16.Ba2 h6 17.Qd3 hxg5
18.Qxg6+ Kh8 19.Qh6+ Nh7
20.Qxd6 Bc6 21.Qxd8 Rcxd8 $22 . e 4$ b5 23.h4 gxh4 24.Rxh4 Kg8 25.Be3 Rd7 26.b4 Nb7 27.Ke2 Rc8 28.Rah1 Nf8 29.Bg5 Rd6 30.Nd5 Bxd5 31.Bxd5 Ng6 32.Bxb7 Rc2+ 33.Kf3 Nxh4+ 34.Rxh4 Rc3+ 35.Be3 Rxa3 36.Rh5 Rb3 37.Rg5+ Kh7 38.Rxe5 Rf6+ 39.Kg2 Rxb4 1-0 Kuzubov, Y (2639)-Christiansen, J (2590) NOR-UKR Solidarity $m$ Tornelo

INT 2022 (1.3) ]
10...0-0 11.Rd1 a6 12.Ng5


Qe7?!
[Predecessor: 12...Bg4 13.f3 Bf5 14.Qb3 Bg6 15.Bd3 Bxd3 16.Rxd3 e4 17.Ncxe4 Nxe4 18.Nxe4 Bxh2+= $1 / 2-1 / 2$ Jones, P (2200)-Broniek,M (2209) IECG email 2008 ]
13.Nge4 Nxe4 14.Nxe4士 Bb8?!
15.b3士 b5 16.Bxb5 axb5 17.Qxa8+-

Bb7 18.Qa3 Qh4?!
[ 18...b4!? ]
19.Nc5?
[ 19.Ng3]
19...Bc8?
[ 19...e4! 20.g3 Qh5 21.Bb2 $\square \pm]$
20.Bb2 e4 21.g3 Qh3 22.Nxe4 Bb7 23.f3 b4 24.Qa4 h5 25.Qb5 Ba8 26.Qg5 1-0

Winter TNM: 2000+ (3.3)
[Winslow,Elliott]
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.0-0 h6 7.b4 Bb6 8.a4
a6 9.Na3 0-0 10.Nc2 d5

11.exd5 Nxd5 12.Bxd5 Qxd5 13.c4 Qe6 14.c5 Ba7 15.Re1 Qf6 16.Be3 Bg4 17.h3 Bxf3 18.Qxf3 Qxf3 19.gxf3 Rad8 20.Rad1 a5 21.b5 Nd4 22.Nxd4 exd4

23.Bf4 Bxc5 24.Bxc7 Rc8 25.Bf4 Bb4 26.Re4 Rfd8 27.Be5 Bc3 28.Rg4 g6 29.Rc1 Kh7 30.Re4 f5 31.Re2 Re8 32.f4
(Diagram)


Kg8 33.Kg2 Kf7 34.Kf3 Rcd8 35.h4 h5 36.Rec2 Ke6 37.Rg1 Kf7 38.Ke2 Rg8 39.Kd1 Rc8 40.f3 Rgd8 41.Rcg2 Rg8 42.Rc2 Rgd8 43.Rcg2 Rg8 $1 / 2-1 / 2$
 Santos,Catalino Winter TNM: 2000+ (3.4) [Winslow,Elliott]
1.e4 c5 2.g3 Nc6
[ 2...d5!? ]
3.Bg2 Nf6 4.Ne2 g6 5.0-0 Bg7 6.d4 cxd4 7.Nxd4 0-0 8.Nc3 d6 9.a3 Bd7 10.Kh1 Qb6 11.Be3 Qa5 12.Nxc6 Bxc6 13.Qd2 Rfe8 14.Bh6 Bh8 15.Nd5 Qxd2 16.Bxd2 Rac8 17.c3 e6 18.Nxf6+ Bxf6 19.Be3 b6 20.Rad1

Red8 21.f4 Bg7 22.Rd2 Ba4 23.Bd4 Rc4 24.Bxg7 Kxg7 25.e5 d5 26.Re1 h5 27.Bf1 Rcc8 28.Rd4 Bb3 29.Ba6 Rc5 30.Kg2 Kf8 31.Re3 Ke7 32.Red3 Ra5 33.c4


Bc2 34.cxd5 Rxa6 35.d6+ Ke8 36.Rc3 Ba4 37.Rc7 Bd7 38.g4 hxg4 39.Kg3 Ra5 40.Kxg4 Kf8 41.h4

f6 42.h5 gxh5+ 43.Kxh5 fxe5 44.fxe5 Rxe5+ 45.Kg6 Rf5 46.Rh4 Be8+
(Diagram)
17.Qe1 a5?
[17...f6 18.exf6 Bxf6]
18.b5士 Na7?
[Droidfish claims a pawn or so of White advantage, but it seemed to me that a long range plan with the knight led to better squares via a7-c8-e7-f5. 18...Nd8 19.Qe2 f6 20.Rae1 fxe5 21.Nxe5 Nxe5 22.Qxe5 Bd6]
19.Qe2 Rbe8 20.Rae1 Nc8 21.Kh1? [21.g3 f6 22.h4 Nh8 23.exf6 Bxf6 24.Ne5 Qb7 25.Bc1 Nf7 26.Qg4 Bxe5 27.dxe5 Ne7
A) 28.Qxe6 Ng6 29.Qc6 (29.Qh3 Ngxe5) 29...Qxc6 30.bxc6 Ngxe5 31.Nd4 Rc8 32.Re2 Nxc6 33.Nxc6 Rxc6;
B) 28.Ba3 ]
21...Bd8 I was pleased with the way my rooks got together and now my bishop makes way for the Nc8 to continue on the afforementioned journey. 22.Ng1 f6 23.f4 f5
[I guess I wasn't in much of a fighting mood tonight. 23...Nce7 24.Bc1 Kh8 25.Nh3 Ng8 26.f5 exf5 27.e6 Qc8 28.Rxf5 N8e7 29.Rff1+-]

## 24.Rf3 Nh8 25.Rh3

[25.Ne3 Ne7 26.Ref1 Nf7 27.Bc1] 25...g6 26.Re3?! The rook occupies the square meant for a knight and sets up the legendary triple stack where it can harm no enemies, tucked away in the friendly hangar defined by white's central pawn chain.
[l expected 26.g4 Ne7 27.Ne3 fxg4 28.Qxg4 Nf5 29.Nxf5 exf5 ( 29...Rxf5 30.Ne2 and the knight will kick the rook out. ) 30.Qg2 Qe6 31.Ne2 Nf7 32.Ng3 Kh8 33.Nf1 Be7 34.Ne3 Rd8 35.Rg1 Rg8 36.Qf3 h5 37.Be1 Rg7 38.Qg2 Rgg8 39.Bf2士 ] 26...Rf7 27.Nf3 h6 28.h4 h5
[I didn't see 28...Rg7 29.h5
A) 29...g5 is even possible, with a microscopic advantage for black.

A1) 30.fxg5? hxg5 31.Nh2 (31.h6? Rg6) 31...g4 32.g3 ( 32.Rg3 Bh4-+ ) 32...Qf7 33.h6 Rg6 34.Qg2 Bg5 35.R3e2 Bxd2 36.Rxd2 Rxh6 37.Kg1 Qh5 38.Nf1 Nf7 39.Kf2 Ng5-+ such luscious knight posts on f3 or h3!;
A2) $30 . \mathrm{g} 3 \mathrm{~g} 4$ 31.Ng1 Qf7 32. Qh2 Kh7 33.Bc1 +=;
B) 29...gxh5 was at least a temporary pawn sac.]
29.Ng5 Rg7 30.Rh3?! Somehow h4 might hang?!??!! 30...Nf7 31.Nxf7 Oh. White wanted no part of a White knight on g4, even with his on g5. 31..Qxf7 32.Ne3 Ne7 33.g3 Kh7 34.Kg2 Ng8 35.Bc1 Be7 36.Reh1 More heavy batteries staring at the inside of hangars. 36...Nh6 37.Nc2 Qf8 Stopping any incursion along the a3-f8 diagonal. 38.Qf3 Ng4 39.Qe2= Perfect 0.00 from Droidfish. 39...Rc8 Black prevents a possible knight sac on c4 40.Qf3 Kg8 41.Qe2 Rd8 42.Qf3 Rc8 $1 / 2-1 / 2$

| $\square \quad$ Sanguinetti,George A | 1904 |
| :--- | ---: |
| Clemens,Kristian | 1944 |
| Winter TNM: 2000+ (3.6) | 21.11 .2023 |
| [Winslow, Elliott] |  |

1.e4 e5 2.d4 exd4 3.c3 d5 4.cxd4 dxe4 5.Nc3 Nf6 6.Bc4 Be7 7.f3 Nc6 8.Be3 exf3 9.Nxf3 0-0 10.0-0 Bg4 11.Qd2 Bb4 12.Rad1 Qd7 13.a3 Ba5 14.b4 Bb6 15.h3 Bh5 16.g4 Bg6 17.d5


Bxe3+ 18.Qxe3 Rae8 19.Qf4 Ne4 20.Nb5 Nb8 21.Ne5 Qe7 22.Nxg6 hxg6 23.Rfe1 g5 24.Qxc7 Qxc7 25.Nxc7 Rc8 26.Rxe4 Rxc7 27.d6


Rd7 28.b5 Rfd8 29.Red4 Kf8 30.Rd5 g6 31.R1d4 Kg7 32.Bd3 Kf6 33.Kf2 Ke6 34.Bc4 Kf6 35.a4 b6 36.Kg3 Re8 37.Rd3 Re4 38.Bb3 Re1 39.Rf3+ Kg7 40.Rfd3 Kf6 41.Rf3+ Kg7 42.Rd2 Rg1+ 43.Kf2 Rc1 44.Rfd3 Rc5 45.Re2 Kf6 46.Re8 Rb7 47.Bd5
(Diagram)


Rxd5 48.Rxd5 Nd7 49.Re7 Kg7 50.Ke1 Kf6 51.Kd2 Kg7 52.Rd3 Kf8 53.Rc3 Nc5 54.Rxc5 Rb8 55.Rcc7 Rd8 56.Rxf7+
1-0

## Peterson, Jared E <br> Anderson,Michael Gene <br> Winter TNM: 2000+ (3.7)

A40
1922
1900
21.11.2023
1.d4 b6 2.Nc3 Bb7 3.Bf4 f5 4.e3 Nf6 5.h3 g6 6.Nf3 Bg7 7.Be2 0-0 8.0-0 h6 9.Ne5 Kh7 10.h4 d6 11.Bf3 c6 12.Nd3 d5 13.Ne5 Nbd7 14.Ne2 Ne4 15.Nxd7 Qxd7 16.Ng3 Bf6 17.h5 g5 18.Be5 Bxe5 19.dxe5 Nxg3 20.fxg3 Qe6 21.g4 Qxe5 22.Qd3 a5 23.Rfe1 Ba6 24.Qd4 Qc7 25.gxf5 Rxf5 26.Bg4 Rf6 27.Be2 e5 28.Qg4 Bc8 29.Qg3 Be6 30.Bd3+ Kg7 31.Bg6 Raf8
32.Re2 Qb8 33.Rd1 e4 34.Qxb8 Rxb8 35.Rf2 Rbf8 36.Rfd2 Bg4 37.Re1 b5 38.c3 Bf5 39.Bxf5 Rxf5 40.g4 Rf3 41.Kg2 Kf6 42.Rde2 Ke5 43.Rd2 Kd6 44.b3 Kc5 45.a3 R8f6 46.Rde2 a4 47.bxa4 bxa4 48.Rb1 Kc4 49.Rb4+ Kxc3 50.Rxa4 Kd3 51.Rb2 Kxe3 52.Rab4 Rf2+ 53.Rxf2 Rxf2+ 54.Kg1

Rc2 55.Rb3+ Kf4 56.a4 Kxg4 57.Ra3 Rb2 58.a5 Rb7 59.a6 Ra7 60.Kf2 Kxh5 61.Ke3 c5 62.Ra5 Kg4 63.Rxc5 Rxa6 64.Rxd5 Re6 65.Rd1 h5 66.Rg1+ Kf5 67.Rf1+ Kg6 68.Rh1 h4 69.Rh2 Kh5 70.Rf2 h3 71.Rf8 Kg4 72.Kf2 e3+ 73.Ke2 Kh4 74.Rh8+ Kg3 75.Rh5 g4 76.Kf1 e2+ 77.Ke1 Kg2 78.Rg5 g3

0-1

B07
Walder,Michael 1922
Admassu, Yonathan 1663
Winter TNM: 1600-1999 (3.8) 21.11.2023
[Stockfish 15/Tactical Analysis 4.6]
1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.Be3 c6 5.Qd2 b5 6.Bd3 a6 1.25/12

B07: Pirc Defence: Miscellaneous Systems.
[Black should play $6 . . . N b d 7 \pm 0.53 / 16$ ]
7.Nge2 0.49/16
[7.Nf3 $\pm$ 1.25/12 ]
7...Nbd7!

8.a4N And now axb5 would win.
[Predecessor: 8.h3 c5 9.e5 cxd4
10.Bxd4 Nxe5 11.Bxe5 dxe5
12.0-0-0 Qc7 13.Ng3 Bd7 14.Nge4
½－1／2 Lima，K（2089）－Martins Jr
Sobrinho，M（2002）Florianopolis Winter op 6th 2022 （9）］
8．．．b4 White is slightly better．9．Nd1 a5
10．f3 e5 11．c3 0．25／18
［White should try 11．Nf2 $\pm 0.84 / 14$ ］
11．．．d5 0．78／14
［ $11 . . \mathrm{Bg} 7=0.25 / 18$ remains equal．］


12．Nf2 0．30／17
［ 12．0－0！$\pm 0.78 / 14$ ］
12．．．Bd6 1．75／16
［ 12．．．bxc3！$=0.30 / 17$ and Black is okay．13．bxc3（13．Nxc3 exd4 14．Bxd4 Bc5＝）13．．．dxe4 14．Bxe4 （14．Nxe4 Nd5＝；14．fxe4 exd4 15．Bxd4 Qe7＝）14．．．Nxe4 15．Nxe4 Ba6 ］


13．Bh6 1．01／18
［Better is 13．exd5！＋－1．75／16 bxc3 14．bxc3（14．Qxc3？too greedy． Bb4－＋Pin ）14．．．Nxd5 15．Bh6 ］
13．．．Qe7 2．45／16
［ 13．．．dxe4士 1．01／18 14．Nxe4
（14．Bxe4 Bb7士；14．fxe4 bxc3
15．bxc3 exd4さ）14．．．Nxe4 15．Bxe4 （15．fxe4 bxc3 16．bxc3 exd4士 ）
15．．．Bb7］
14．0－0 Hoping for exd5．14．．．Nb6 4．23／16 ［ $14 . . . \mathrm{dxe} 41.95 / 16$ is a better defense． 15．fxe4（15．Nxe4 Nxe4 16．fxe4 Bb7 $\pm$ ）15．．．Bb7］
15．f4＋－dxe4 16．Nxe4
［Weaker is 16．Bxe4 Nxe4 17．Nxe4 exf4＋－］
16．．．exd4 17．Nxd4 Kd7
［ 17．．．Nxe4？18．Bxe4 Bd7
19．Rae1＋－（19．Nxc6 Bc5＋20．Nd4 Nc4＋－）］
18．Nxd6 Qxd6 19．Rad1 Re8
（Diagram）

20.Nxc6! Threatens to win with Bf5+! Remove Defender. White is clearly winning. 20...Qc5+

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\begin{aligned}
& {[20 \ldots \mathrm{Kxc6} \text { 21.Bb5+ Kb7 22.Qxd6 ] }} \\
& {[20 \ldots \mathrm{Kc7} 21 . \mathrm{cxb} 4]}
\end{aligned}
$$

21.Nd4 Kc7 22.f5 gxf5 23.Bxf5 bxc3 24.bxc3 Ba6 25.Bd3 Discovered Attack. A strong pair of Bishops. 25...Nbd5


## 26.Rxf6!

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Rousso,Gregory
Argo,Guy
1677
1767
Winter TNM: 1600-1999 (3.9) 21.11.2023
[Argo, Guy]
1.d3 e5 2.Nf3 d6 3.c3 f5 4.Qa4+ $\mathrm{Nd} 75 . \mathrm{Qc} 2 \mathrm{~d} 5$ White is being a bit passive so time to grab some centre. 6.e4 fxe4 7.dxe4 c6 8.exd5 cxd5 9.Bb5 Bd6 10.Qf5?! A bit optimistic. This just nudges Black's development along. 10...Qf6 11.Qxf6 Ngxf6 12.Bg5 0-0 13.h3 Ne4 14.Be3 Ndc5
14... a6 first was more precise but it transposed. 15.Nbd2 a6 16.Be2 Nxd2 17.Nxd2 Ne6 The threat of d4 gains a tempo. 18.Nf3 b5 19.0-0 Nf4 20.Bxf4 Rxf4 21.Rad1 Bb7 My plan was to start a queenside minority attack to undermine the d4 outpost and only then push the centre pawns to soften up f2, but White's next few moves forced my hand... 22.g3?! Moving a pawn in front of your king and loosening f3. 22...Rf6 23.Nh2 Raf8 24.Ng4 He's after my d5 pawn. 24...R6f7 25.Ne3 Bc5 26.Bg4 Rxf2! The pin regains material so worst case scenario l'm up a pawn. 27.Be6+ Toothless - he doesn't have time for this. 27...Kh8 28.Rfe1?? It's understandable that he didn't want to be pinned forever but this is much worse. 28...d4
[ 28...Bxe3 was even more deadly but I couldn't bear to part with that beautiful bishop. ]
29.Nd5 dxc3 Those bishops! 30.Kh1 c2! 10 The d1 rook is overworked - he must give up the d file or the back rank. Silicon confirms mate in 11. 31.Rc1 Rd2 Threatening the knight and prepping a 7th rank slaughter. 32.Rxe5 This speeds his demise. 32...Rff2 0-1

Crompton, Robert 1563
Toledo Guerrero,Fernando
1693
Winter TNM: 1600-1999 (3.10) 21.11.2023 [Winslow,Elliott]
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qb6 6.Bd3 cxd4 7.0-0 Bd7 8.Re1 Nge7 9.h4 Nf5 10.Bxf5 exf5 11.cxd4 Be7 12.Nc3 Be6 13.a3 Na5 14.b4 Nc4 15.Na4 Qb5 16.h5 h6 17.Be3 0-0 18.Nc3 Qd7 19.Nd2 Rac8 20.Nxc4 Rxc4 21.Na4 b6 22.Nb2 Rc6 23.Qf3 Rc3 24.Qe2 Rfc8 25.Rec1 Rxc1+ 26.Rxc1 Rxc1+ 27.Bxc1 a5 28.bxa5 bxa5 29.Qd3 f6 30.f4 fxe5 31.fxe5 Bf7 32.Bd2 Qa7 33.Nd1 Bxa3 34.Qxa3 Qxd4+ 35.Qe3 Qa1 36.Qe1 Bxh5 37.Nf2 Qxe1+ 38.Bxe1 a4 39.Bb4 Kf7 40.Nd3 Ke6 41.Nf4+ Kxe5 42.Nxh5 g6 43.Ng3 d4 44.Kf2 Kd5 45.Ne2 Kc4 46.Bf8 d3 Black offered a draw: 20 seconds vs. ~ 1:30.
$1 / 2-1 / 2$

Winter TNM: 1600-1999 (3.11) 21.11.23 [Wong,Wilson]
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e3 0-0 5.Nf3 d5 6.Bd2 b6 7.cxd5 exd5
8.Be2 Last book move. 8...Bd6

Playing against Ne5. 9.0-0 Re8
Controlling e5-square. f8-square is also available for Black's dark-squared bishop if Nb5. 10.Bd3 My guess is White wants to stop ...Ne4 or control b1-h7 diagonal which is a better diagonal for White's light-squared bishop but White should have developed the bishop here to begin with. 10...c5 Getting rid of backward pawn and contesting center. 11.h3
[ 11.dxc5 If White took, it isn't obvious
to me which recapture is better. bxc5 With the floating pawns, I always have to be worried about e4 but I also have so much central control. There is also a3, b4 to think about, but e4 is more central and comes in a single move. White can support the push with Re1 and Qb1 but Black has ...Bb7. It feels kind of risky to go for this, but also the practical chances to play for an edge or win is very significant so this would probably be my choice.
( $11 . . . B x c 5$ While Black has e4-square, White has d4-square. Black would also have an isolated pawn that gets immediately blockaded. Compared the the floating c-and d-pawns, Black has less central control, and White has an immediate blockade. Black can play ...Ne4 but the recapture ...dxe4 would block the diagonal for Black's light-squared bishop. The text move looks like it would simply equalize whereas the floating c - and d-pawns looked slightly better and at worse, probably defendable. )]
11...Nc6 Development with the possibility of Qc2 ...Nb4. I'm still giving flexibility for my light-squared bishop to do b7-square if dxc5 but ...Bd7 could be a more useful square if the center locks up. 12.Re1 White can threaten e4 since White's pieces are already well placed, while Black is still undeveloped. 12...Bb7 I finish development and well position my pieces in case White wants to open up the board. Worth noting is White's d2bishop has been very ineffective up to this point and not on as strong as diagonals as the Black counterparts which has bishops eyeing White's king. 13.a3 I don't like this. Black has a clear spatial advantage and better pieces so White should open up the center to at least equalize. I don't know what a3 is trying to achieve other than deterring ...

Nb4 which I don't think is a serious concern. 13...Rc8 Developing last piece but also getting the rook out of the way for ...Bb8 and ...Qc6, to organize attack threats against White's king. If the center would then open up, the lightsquared bishop can take out White's f3knight and make White's king safety something to worry about.I'm also indirectly supporting my central pawns with the c8-rook.
[ 13...c4 I didn't go for this since after d- and e-pawns trading, a pawn chain I create queenside can quickly get undermined by White's a- and bpawns.]
14.Bc2 Maybe White wanted to walk out of ...c4 but if wants to build a battery to attack h7-square then better would be Rc1 then line up the battery with b1-bishop and d3-queen. 14...Bb8 Setting up battery. The pressure and threats to White's king will restrict White's options and tie down White's f3knight. I'm only using threats to White's king to tie down White's pieces, I don't know how to actually make threats to White's king even if I had the time to do so. 15.Bf5 I'm fine with doubling rooks on e-file but I don't know what White's bishop is doing on f5-square. 15...Rc7 16.Rc1 Black's c5-pawn is actually vulnerable to attack now, not easily supported. 16...c4 The space grab seemed nice on the surface but the final pawn structure after ...a6 and ...b5 looks goofy after b4, a4, axb5 and ...axb5, leaving Black with b5-c4-d5 queenside pawns which must be defended. That pawn structure looked horrible for Black and I don't know what to do other than ... Bc6, which is horribly passive. A big problem I see in that pawn structure is White would end up with an isolated b4pawn but its easily defended. 17.Bb1 Guessing White wants to make a battery
to attack h7-square. 17...a6 Setting up ... b5. 18.b3 I get wanting to undermine Black's queenside pawns but targeting the top of the chain where it is strongest is not very effective. What actually seems strong is to attack closer to the base.
[ $18 . \mathrm{b} 4$ I was worried about this move but I think the fear was overblown. I was concerned after ...b5, at some point White will play a4 then axb5, leaving me with a poor queenside pawn structure, but it owuldn't be easy to attack, and it does control many squares in White's camp. ]
18...b5 The idea behind ...c5. I want to control lots of space, which really restricts White's pieces. Black will have an easier time regrouping pieces to attack White's king. In this position, I thought I could go for ...Rce7, ...Kh8, ... Rg8, ...g5, ...g4, 19.bxc4 I didn't like White releasing the tension here. I wasn't threatening to take since it would weaken the pawn chain I had. 19...dxc4 Now Black has a 3-to-1 queenside majority and White has the central pair. White's a3-pawn is weak but defendable. White's central pawns for the meantime have tons of pieces fighting for squares in front of the pawns, making it a tough task to get pushing. If Black manages to win a3-pawn, the queenside majority would likely prove decisive. 20.Qc2 Pressuring Black's kingside. 20...g6 This feels forced. This is a move l'll have to make eventually since there are situations where White's pawns could kick my f6-knight so better to get this move in now while I have no high impact move to make. 21.Rcd1 Logically, White supports her central pawns. One threat on my radar is the possibility of down the line d4-pawn moving, which allows the possibility of a b2-bishop and c3queen battery targeting the vulnerable
dark-squared around my king but that is far off. In the short term, I think I can hold off White's pawn advancements. 21...Rce7 While currently possible, ... Bxf3 would damage White's kingside but is holdable with Kg 2 . f3-knight and d2bishop currently protect e1-rook but if that changes, there are mate threats if the e-file opens. f3-knight is doing a great job holding White's position together but that could change later. 22.d5 Ne5 The pawn looked poisoned to me after Bc1.
[ 22...Nxd5 23.Bc1 It looks like Ne5
A) 24.Nxd5 Nxf3+ 25.gxf3 Bxd5 26.e4 Qd6 (26...Qa5 Stockfish found a nice defense, tying down d1-rook and getting out of pin. ) 27.Rxd5 Qh2+ 28.Kf1 Qxh3+ This didn't look good either.; B) 24.Nxe5 Rxe5 25.e4 Qe7 (25...Qh4 Stockfish finds a good way to get out of the pin while also covering f4-square. 26.Nxd5 Bxd5) 26.Nxd5 Bxd5 27.f4 This didn't look good to me. ]
23.Nxe5 Rxe5 I liked taking with rook since my dark-squared bishop is already well placed to support threats against White's king. 24.e4 This seemed logical. White has f 4 at her disposal to get her pawns rolling down the board and the rooks are already well positioned to support the push. 24...Qe7 Threatening ...Nxd5 and ...Qxa3. 25.Bf4
[ 25.f4 Rh5 This seemed like the only move. It does look difficult to progress for Black with White's center being so well defended and it controlling so many squares in the center. ] 25...Qxa3 I went for a change of plans. Both dark-squared bishops seem super powerful given White's central pawns and my weak dark-squares around my king. The compensation for the exchange seemed so clear. Black's 3
passed pawns look tough to hold back, especially since White's rooks and pieces aren't well positioned to stop it. [ 25...Rh5 Initially, I thought about playing this and while White had such strong control of the center, it didn't look like I would lose anything by force.]
26.Bxe5 Bxe5 27.Re3 This looks wrong to me, choosing to defend the knight which isn't on a great square, instead of just moving the knight, but White doesn't have great options, given White's pieces block each other.
27...Qc5 Getting out of discovered attack and on a good square to support the marching of Black's queenside majority. Note Black has a blockade of White's central pawns. 28.Ne2 Its difficult to recommend a piece layout to halt 3 passed pawns, especially when my darksquared bishop cuts across that side of the board as well. 28...b4
[ 28...a5 29.Nc3 I'm not forced to take the knight here so starting with 28...a5 may have been better, to keep control of light-squared a turn longer. ]
29.Ba2 Rc8 30.Rc1 c3 31.Rd1 a5 32.Bb3 Ba6 33.Nc1 Nd7 34.Nd3 Qd6 I hold off trading for a turn since it restricts White's options a little while I improve my position, freeing c5-square for my knight.
[ 34...Bxd3 Stockfish liked just taking immediately. 35.Rexd3 Qd6 36.g3 Also stockfish doesn't avoid the fork. Nc5 ]

## 35.Ra1

[ 35.Nxe5 Nxe5 Stockfish's more resilient defense. Black still blockades White's central pawns. Its still very slow to remove White's blockade so it was better for me to just exchange earlier and keep a better position for my knight. ]
35...Bxd3 36.Rxd3 Nc5 37.Re3 Bf4
38.Re2 I missed this move. After I take White's bishop, I'm unable to march the c-pawn down the board.
[ 38.Ree1 I thought my opponent had to make this move to provide maximum support in controlling the promotion square. Nxb3 39.Qxb3 c2 This looked like an easy way to win an exchange and tie down White's pieces, while I continue to march down my other queenside pawns but I overlooked White's defensive move. ]
38...Nxb3 39.Qxb3 Qc5 40.Qc2 [ 40.Rc2 I was expecting White to blockade with a rook. It would make it more difficult to push my queenside pawns but White would be very tied down and I would be free to gobble White's central pawns and even support the base of my queenside pawns with my bishop. White's pieces are very tied down. ]
40...Qb5 Threatening ...b3. 41.g3
[41.Ra4 b3 Wins a rook.]
[41.Qa4 Qxa4 42.Rxa4 c2
Wins a rook with a winning endgame.] 41...b3 White is both overloaded and unable to stop my marching pawns which can also march with tempo.
42.Qb1 Qxe2 43.gxf4 b2 Removing a defender of the back rank. 44.Rxa5 c2 45.Qxb2 c1Q+ 46.Qxc1 Rxc1+ White is lost. Black can just go for checkmate. 47.Kg2 Qxe4+ 48.f3 Qe2+ 49.Kg3 Rg1+ 50.Kh4 Qf2\# 0-1

[^0]8.Qf4 Nf6

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1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.Bb5 g6 4.Bxc6 bxc6 5.d4 Bg7 6.Nge2 cxd4 7.Nxd4 Ba6 8.Be3 Qb8 9.Nb3 d6 10.Qd2 Qb4 11.a3 Qc4 12.0-0-0 Bxc3 13.Qxc3 Qxc3 14.bxc3 Nf6 15.f3 Nd7 16.h4 h5 17.Na5 c5 18.Rhe1 Nb6 19.e5 0-0-0 20.Nc6 Rd7 21.Bg5 d5
22.e6 fxe6 23.Nxe7+ Kc7 24.Rxe6

Re8 25.Nxd5+
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Krayushkin,Igor 1658
Chan,John 1513
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1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 d6 4.Bg5 h6 5.Be3 c6 6.Qd2 Nd7 7.f4 e6 8.Nf3

Ne7 9.Bd3 Qa5 10.0-0 d5 11.Nb5
Qd8 12.Nd6+ Kf8 13.Ne5 Qc7
14.Ndxf7 Rg8 15.Qf2 dxe4 16.Bxe4 Nf6 17.Bd3 Nf5 18.Bd2 a5 19.b4 Ng4 20.Qf3 h5 21.Bxf5 gxf5 22.bxa5 Ke8 23.Bb4 Bf8 24.a3 Bxb4 25.axb4 Qe7 26.Rab1 Bd7 27.c4 Nf6 28.Ng5 Rg7 29.Rfe1 Kf8 30.Nxd7+ Qxd7 31.Nxe6+ Kg8 32.Nxg7 Kxg7 33.Rbd1 Rg8 34.d5 cxd5 35.cxd5 Kh6 36.d6 Rg6 37.Re7 Qd8 38.d7 Rg8 39.Re6 Kg7 40.Qc3 Rf8 41.Rdd6

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1．e4 c5 2．c3 d5 3．exd5 Qxd5 4．Nf3 Nf6 5．Na3 Bg4 6．Be2 a6I wanted to prevent White＇s Nb5，but it made b6 weak and allowed my esteemed opponent to threaten the same fork when he moved Nc4．7．Nc4 Nbd7 Usually the Black queen retreats a bit to cover b6． This knight move was a bit awkward but was safe and worked out all right．8．Ne3 Qd6 9．d4 Rd8 10．Nxg4 Nxg4 11．a4 e6 12．h3 Ngf6 13．Be3 Qc7 14．Qb3 Bd6 15．0－0 0－0 16．Rfd1 Rc8 17．dxc5 Nxc5 18．Qc2 h6 19．Rd2 Nd5 20．Bxc5 Bxc5 21．Rad1 Rfd8 22．Nd4 Bd6 23．g3 Bxg3 This gives Black a certain edge．Of course I wanted him to take the bishop，but he said after I took some 15 mins．on this move，he knew I probably had it figured out．24．Bg4 Bf4 ［ 24．．．Bh2＋］
25．Nxe6 fxe6 26．Bxe6＋Kh8 27．Rxd5 Rxd5 28．Rxd5 Rf8 29．Qd3 Qe7 30．Bg4 Qe1＋31．Kg2 Bg5 31．．．．．Bh2 was somewhat better．By now I had used my clock advantage（often 10－20 mins．） trying to win this and eventually ran out of time．32．Rf5 Rd8 33．Qf3 Qe7
34．Rf7 Qd6 I was getting down to 6 seconds and the last two moves I have don＇t make sense．I believe my opponent will also send in the score，and he had more time at this point．We were in the middle of the postmortem when the front door guard it was time to leave，all the games in the tournament room were finished．
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Tam，Hoa Long
Hack，Richard 1583
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［Tam，Hoa Long］
1．e4 c5 2．c3 d5 3．exd5 Qxd5 4．Nf3 Nf6 5．Na3 1：59 Bg4 1：48 6．Be2 a6 I got over－excited here because I immediately remembered a Daniel Naroditsky video where he encounters ．．． a6 and explains that this gives up control of b6．Unfortunately for me，in those games black＇s bishop wasn＇t already on g 4 ，so bringing my knight to c4 overloads my bishop．7．Nc4？Nbd7
［ 7．．．Bxf3！I thought this line was safe for me because I have Nb6 and Qa5＋， but black has a few ways to block the check and come out ahead．8．Nb6 Bxe2 9．Qa4＋（9．Qxe2 Qxg2 10．Rf1 Ra7－＋）9．．．Qc6 10．Qxc6＋Nxc6 11．Nxa8 Bd3干］
8．Ne3 this blocks in my bishop，but the tempo on the queen should help justify my knight＇s long journey 8．．．Qd6 9．d4 ［ 9．Nxg4 Nxg4 10．Qb3（10．Ng5 Ngf6 11．Qb3 e6 12．Qxb7 Rb8 13．Qf3土）10．．．b5 11．Ng5 c4 12．Bxc4 bxc4 13．Qxc4 Qe5＋14．Ne4 Ngf6 15．d3干 ］
9．．．Rd8 10．Nxg4 1：25 Nxg4 1：29 11．a4 I need to stop black from ever playing b4 and c5．11．．．e6 12．h3 A slow move，but the point is to allow Be 3 and to deprive black＇s d7 knight of the f6 square， preventing black from setting up a battery along the d file，which is the only file likely to open．12．．．Ngf6 13．Be3 Qc7 14．Qb3？I had vague ideas of setting up Bc4 and Ng5 and sacrificing something along the a2－g8 diagonal，but that plan is far too slow，so all I＇m doing is delaying c5－c4（which would be bad for black anyway）while allowing ．．．Nc5 to come with tempo later on．
[14.Qc2 Bd6 15.a5 0-0 16.0-0 From here, white should be able to crash through along the d file. Black can never push c5-c4 (see some variations below), and if black trades it off then my pawns on b2 and c3 stop black from counter attacking along the c file. ]
14...Bd6 15.0-0 55
[15.dxc5 Nxc5 16.Bxc5 Bxc5 17.0-0 $0-0 \pm$ with black's QS pawns frozen, I should be trying to maximize trades to get into an endgame, which should favor white ]

## 15...0-0 1:03 16.Rfd1 Rc8

I had convinced myself that I needed to stop black from playing c4, but a pawn on c4 is going to be permanently weak if I can just insert a4-a5. 17.dxc5 [17.a5 c4? 18.Qc2 e5 19.Ra4 exd4 20. $\operatorname{Bxd} 4 \pm$ and Bxc 4 is unstoppable. ] 17...Nxc5 18.Qc2 My original plan was to trade on c5 immediately to avoid having to move my queen, but I decided to keep the bishop pair instead. 18...h6? I mostly wasn't threatening to go to g5 and this winds up causing black a lot of problems in the endgame. 19.Rd2 Nd5 20.Bxc5 27 Bxc5 38 21.Rad1 Rfd8 22.Nd4 This makes room for my bishop to come to the long diagonal. I considered tripling up on the file and kicking the knight away with c4-c5, but keeping the $c$ file obstructed with the pawn on b2 and c3 seems like a long term strength for white. 22...Bd6 23.g3? I'd been anxious about my time usage for most of the game, but now I was about 15 minutes behind my opponent with only 22 minutes left on my block, so I played without thinking enough. I cannot fathom anymore why I was worried about black's pieces coming to f4, but I really wanted to keep black's pieces off of f4. 23...Bxg3! My opponent spent around 15 minutes on this move, erasing
most of his time advantage. I was still feeling pressured for time and decided not to spend my time calculating whether I'm getting mated or perpetual'ed after accepting the sacrifice. 24.Bg4
finally sets up threats on e6, which has been tempting me for half of the game. I also thought it was important to allow my rook to defend f 2 , but this turns out not to work
[24.fxg3 Qxg3+ 25.Kh1 (25.Kf1 Ne3\#) 25...Qxh3+ 26.Kg1 Ne3
27.Bf1 Qxf1+ 28.Rxf1 Nxc2 29.Rxc2

Rxd4-+ ]

## 24...Bf4

[24...Bxf2+ 25.Rxf2? (25.Kxf2 Qf4+ 26. Nf3 $\pm$ covers the h2 square. It also looks like this loses to f7-f5, but then black's e6 pawn is overloaded f5? 27.Bxf5 exf5 28.Rxd5+- ) 25...Ne3 26.Qe2 Qg3+ 27.Rg2 Nxg2 28.Qxg2 Qxg2+ 29.Kxg2 Rc4-+]
25.Nxe6! 14 fxe6 11
[25...Qe7 26.Nxf4 Nxf4 27.Bxc8 Qg5+ 28.Bg4+- while this looks scary, black has back rank problems which should give white a tempo to defend with an extra rook. (28.Kf1 Qg2+ 29.Ke1 Qg1\#)]
26.Bxe6+ Kh8 27.Rxd5
[27.Bxc8 Bxd2 28.Rxd2 Qxc8-+ ] 27...Rxd5 28.Rxd5 Rf8 Now that the dust has settled, white is up a pawn but white's KS pawns are isolated and there are opposite color bishops. Unfortunately for black, the weak light squares around black's king should prevent him from holding a draw. 29.Qd3 Qe7 30.Bg4 8 Qe1+ 0:04. 31.Kg2 Bg5
[31...Bc1 32.Rf5 Rxf5 33.Bxf5士 black doesn't have time to take on b2 because of Qd8+. ]

## 32.Rf5 Rd8 33.Qf3 Qe7

[ 33...Rd1 34.Rf8+ Kh7 35.Bf5+ g6
36.Bxg6+ Kxg6 37.Qf7\# ]
34.Rf7 Qd6 35.Rxb7 6 Rf8 black was
down to 2 seconds 36.Rf7 Rxf7 37.Qxf7

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1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nc6 5.Nc3 Qc7 6.Ndb5 Qb8 7.Be3 a6 8.Nd4 Nf6 9.f3 Bb4 10.Qd2 d5 11.Bd3 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 e5 13.exd5 exd4 14.Qe2+ Be7 15.Ne4 Nxd5 16.Bb5+ Bd7 17.Bc4 Be6 18.Bxd5 Bxd5 19.Nf6+ gxf6 0-1

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1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.Bb5+ Bd7 4.Bxd7+ Qxd7 5.d4 cxd4 6.Nxd4 Nf6 7.Nc3 Nc6 8.0-0 g6 9.f4 0-0-0 10.h3 Bg7 11.Be3 Kb8 12.Nxc6+ Qxc6 13.Qe2 Ka8 14.Qf3 d5 15.e5 Ne4 16.Nxe4 dxe4 17.Qf2 a6 18.Rfd1 f6 19.exf6 exf6 20.c3 f5 21.Bd4 Bxd4 22.Rxd4 Rd6 23.Rad1 Rhd8 24.Qe3 Qb6 25.R1d2 Rxd4 26.cxd4 Rd5 27.Kf2 Qd8 28.g3 Qc7 29.Qc3 Qd7 30.h4 h6 31.Ke3 Rd6 32.Qb4 Qd8 33.Rc2 g5 34.hxg5 hxg5 35.Rc8+ Qxc8 36.Qxd6 Qc1+ 37.Ke2 Qxb2+ 38.Kf1 Qa1+ 39.Ke2 Qxa2+ 40.Kf1 Qb1+ 41.Kg2 Qc2+ 42.Kg1 Qd1+ 43.Kg2 Qf3+ 44.Kh2 Qf2+ 45.Kh3 Qf1+ 46.Kh2 Qe2+ 47.Kg1 Qd1+ 48.Kh2 Qc2+ 49.Kg1 gxf4 50.gxf4 e3 51.Qb4 Qc1+ 52.Kg2 e2 53.Kf2 Qf1+ 0-1

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Dutter,Frederic
Cooper,Lee
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1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5.Bd3 c5 6.c3 Be7 7.Ne2 Nc6 8.0-0 b6 9.Nf3 cxd4 10.cxd4 Nb4 11.Bb1 Ba6 12.a3 Nc6 13.Re1 0-0 14.Qc2 g6 15.Bh6 Rc8 16.Qd2 Re8 17.Qf4 Na5 18.Ng5 Bxg5 19.Bxg5 f6 20.exf6 Kf7 21.Qh4 Rh8 22.Nf4 Nb3 23.Qh6 Qg8 24.Nxe6 Nxa1 25.Nd8+

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Nystrom Burke,Oliver Peter
Hollon,Nick
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[Winslow, Elliott]
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 b5 6.Bb3 Be7 7.c3 d5 8.exd5 Nxd5 9.Re1 Qd6 10.d4 exd4 11.Nxd4 Nf6 12.Nxc6 Qxc6 13.Qe2 Be6 14.Bxe6 Qxe6 15.Qxe6 fxe6 16.Rxe6


Rd8 17.Re1 Kf7 18.Bf4 c5 19.Na3 Rhe8 20.Nc2 Rd7 21.h3 Red8 22.Ne3 g6 23.Rad1 Rd2 24.Rxd2 Rxd2 25.Nf5 Rd7 26.Rxe7+ Rxe7 27.Nxe7 Kxe7
(Diagram)

28.f3 Nd5 29.Bg5+ Ke6 30.Kf2 c4 31.g4 Nb6 32.h4 Na4 33.Bc1 Ke5 34.Ke3 a5 35.f4+ Kd5 36.f5 Ke5 37.fxg6 hxg6 38.h5 gxh5 39.gxh5 Nc5 40.h6 Kf6 41.Kd4 Nd3 42.Be3 Nxb2 43.Kc5 b4 44.cxb4 Nd3+ 45.Kxc4 Nxb4 46.a3 Nc2 47.Bc1 Kg6 48.a4 Kh7 49.Kb5 Nd4+

50.Kc4 Ne6 51.Be3 Nc7 52.Kc5 Ne6+ 53.Kb5 Nc7+ 54.Kxa5 Nd5 55.Bg5 Nc3 56.Kb4 Nxa4 57.Kxa4
(Diagram)


Kg6 58.Kb5 Kh7 59.Kc5 Kg6 60.Kd5 Kh7 61.Ke5 Kg6 62.Kf4 Kh7 63.Kg4
Kg6 64.Kh4 Kh7 65.Kh5 Kg8 66.Kg6 Kh8 67.Bf6+ 1-0

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## Aher,Sandesh

Starr,Albert Martin
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1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nxe5 d6 4.Nf3 Nxe4 5.d4 d5 6.Bd3 Bd6 7.c4 c6 8.0-0 0-0 9.Nc3 Bb4 10.Nxe4 dxe4 11.Bxe4 Bg4 12.Qb3 Qe7 13.Ne5 Be6 14.Qc2 f5 15.Bd3 Bd6 16.f4 Qf6 17.Rf3 g6 18.Be3 Na6 19.a3 Nc7 20.Re1 Ne8 21.Rh3 Rd8 22.Bf2 Qg7 23.Nxg6 hxg6 24.Rxe6 Rf6 25.Rxf6 Qxf6 26.Rf3 Ng7 27.Qb3 Qf7 28.Bc2 Ne6 29.g3 Bb8 30.Qc3 Qd7 31.Rd3 a6 32.b4 Qh7 33.d5 Ng7 34.dxc6 Rxd3 35.Qxd3 Ne6 36.Qd5 Qf7 37.cxb7 Nc7 38.Qxf7+ Kxf7 39.Bd1 Ke6 40.Bf3 Ne8 41.Bd5+ Kd7 42.Bb6 Nd6 43.Kf2 Ne4+ 44.Bxe4 fxe4 45.Ke3 Kc6 46.Bd4 Kxb7 47.Kxe4 Kc6 48.Be5 Ba7 49.c5 Kb5 50.Kd5 a5
51.c6 Kb6 52.Bd4+ Ka6 53.Bxa7 axb4

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54.axb4 Kxa7 55.Kd6 Kb8 56.Kd7 g5 57.c7+ Ka7 58.c8Q gxf4 59.Qc7+ Ka6 60.Qxf4

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## Morello,Nicholas

Le,Thu Anh
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1.d4 Nf6 2.Bf4 c5 3.d5 d6 4.Nc3 g6 5.Nf3 Bg7 6.e4 Nbd7 7.Qc1 h6 8.Bd3 a6 9.a4 g5 10.Bd2 0-0 11.h4 Ne5 12.Nxe5 dxe5 13.hxg5 hxg5 14.Bxg5 Nh7 15.Bh6 f6 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Qh6+ Kf7 18.Qxh7+ Ke8 19.0-0-0 b5 20.Nxb5 axb5 21.Bxb5+ Bd7 22.Qg6+ 1-0

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1.e4 c5 2.Bc4 e6 3.Nc3 Nc6 4.Nf3 a6 5.d4 b5 6.Be2 cxd4 7.Nxd4 Bb7 8.Nxc6 dxc6 9.Qxd8+ Rxd8 10.0-0 Bb4 11.Rd1 Bxc3 12.Rxd8+ Kxd8 13.bxc3 c5 14.e5 c4 15.Be3 Ne7 16.Rd1+ Kc7 17.a3 Nd5 18.Bd4 Nf4 19.Bf3 Bxf3 20.gxf3 Kc6 21.Kf1 Rd8 22.Ke1 a5 23.Be3 Ng2+ 24.Ke2 Rxd1 25.Kxd1 Nxe3+ 26.fxe3 Kc5 27.Kc1 b4 28.Kb2 bxa3+ 29.Kxa3 Kb5 30.e4 g5 31.h3 h6 32.Kb2 a4 33.Ka3 h5 34.Kb2
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Karwat,Joseph
Cao,Danny Du Uy
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1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5
[ 3...Bf5 ]
4.dxc5 Nc6
[4...e6]
5.Nf3 e6 6.Bd3
[6.Be3 Nh6 (6...Qc7)]
6...Bxc5 7.0-0 Nge7 8.Nc3 Ng6 9.Re1 a6
[ 9...Qc7 10.Nb5 Qb8]
10.a3 Qc7 11.Bxg6 hxg6
[11...fxg6 ]
12.b4 Be7 13.Qd3 Bd7
[13...0-0]
14.Bf4 a5
[ 14...0-0]
[ 14...0-0-0 ]
[14...Nxb4 15.axb4 Bxb4 16.Bd2]
[ 14...b5]
15.b5 Na7
[ 15...d4 16.bxc6 (16.Nxd4 Nxd4
17.Qxd4 Rc8 18.Bd2) 16...dxc3
17.Qxc3 Qxc6 18.Qxc6 Bxc6] 16.Rab1 b6 17.a4 Rc8 18.Re3 Qc4
[ 18...Bb4 19.Ne2 (19.Rb3 Bc5
20.Re2 )]
19.Nd4 Qxd3
[19...Bb4 20.Qxc4 Rxc4 21.Rb3]
20.Rxd3 Bb4
[20...Bc5]
21.Bd2 Rh5
[21...Bxc3 22.Rxc3 (22.Bxc3)
22...Rxc3 23.Bxc3]
22.f4 Ke7
[ 22...Bc5]
[22...Ke7 23.g3 f6 (23...Bxc3
24.Bxc3 g5)]
23.g3 f6
[23...Bxc3 24.Bxc3 g5]
24.Re1 g5 25.fxg5 Bxc3 26.gxf6+ gxf6 27.exf6+ Kxf6 28.Bxc3 e5
29.Rf3+ Kg6
[29...Ke7 30.Nc6+ Nxc6 31.bxc6
Bxc6 32.Rxe5+ Rxe5 33.Bxe5]
30.Ref1 exd4 31.Rf6+ Kg5
[31...Kg7 32.Rf7+ Kg8 33.Rxd7
Rxc3 34.Rxa7 Rxc2 35.Ra8+]
32.R1f4 Bh3
[32...Rxc3 33.h4+ Rxh4 34.gxh4+
Kh5 35.Rxd4]
33.Bd2 Rh7
[33...Rxc2 34.R4f5+ (34.Rg4+
Kxg4) 34...Kg4 35.Rf4+ Kg5
A) $36 . \mathrm{R} 4 \mathrm{f} 5+\mathrm{Kg} 437 . \mathrm{Rg} 5+$ ( $37 . R f 4+K g 5$ 38.R6f5+ Kg6
39.Rf6+ Kg5 40.R4f5+ Kg4
41.Rf4+ Kg5 42.R6f5+ Kg6
43.Rf6+ Kg5) 37...Rxg5 38.Rf4+

Kh5 39.Rh4+;
B) 36.R6f5+ Kg6 37.Rf6+]
34.R4f5+ Kg4 35.Rg5\#

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Sangani,Nikhil 1003
McKemey,Hector
Winter TNM u1200 (3.25) 21.11.2023
[Winslow,Elliott]
1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.c3 dxc3 4.Nxc3 Nc6 5.Nf3 d6 6.Bc4 Nf6 A well-known trap Black has just fallen into!
[6...a6]
[6...e6]
7.Qb3
[7.e5!]
7...e6 8.Bg5 Be7 9.Rd1 Qc7 10.0-0 a6 11.a4 Na5 12.Bb5+ axb5 13.Nxb5 Qb8 14.Qc3 0-0 15.Rfe1 Nc6 16.b3 h6 17.Bf4 e5 18.Be3 Nxe4 19.Qc4 Nf6 20.Bb6 Bg4 21.Nc7 Bxf3 22.gxf3 Ra5 23.Bxa5 Nxa5 24.Qc3 Nc6 25.Nb5 Rd8 26.Kh1 d5 27.Rg1 Nh5 28.Qe3 Nf4 29.Rg4 Bf6 30.Qb6 d4 31.Rgg1 Qc8 32.Na3 d3 33.Nc4 Nd4 34.Qxf6 Ng6 35.Rxg6 fxg6 36.Qxg6

Nxf3 37.Rxd3 Rxd3 38.Qxd3 Qc6 39.Na5 Qc1+ 40.Kg2 Ne1+ White was so close to recovering! 0-1

## Blum,Paul <br> Land,Sean <br> Winter TNM u1200 (3.27)

1.e4 c6 2.Nf3 d5 3.e5 Bg4 4.d4 c5
5.h3 Bxf3 6.gxf3 Nc6 7.Bb5 e6 8.Nc3 Nge7 9.Bg5 h6 10.Bh4 Qb6 11.Qe2 cxd4 12.Na4 Qa5+ 13.Nc3 dxc3 14.0-0 Nf5 15.Bg3 cxb2 16.Rab1 Nfd4 17.Bxc6+ Nxc6 18.Rxb2 b6 19.c4 Ba3 20.Rd2 0-0 21.cxd5 exd5 22.Rd3 Rfe8 23.Qe3 Bc5 24.Qf4 Rxe5 25.Kh1 Rae8 26.Qg4 Re1 27.Rxe1 Rxe1+ 28.Kg2 Ne7 29.Bh4 Qxa2 30.Qd7 Qb1 31.Re3 Rg1+ 32.Kh2 Rh1+ 33.Kg2 Qg1\# 0-1

> Vazquez,Dominic A
> Ellement,Jason
> Winter TNM u1200 (3.28)

E11
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21.11.2023
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.g3 d5 4.Nf3 b6 5.Bg2 Bb4+ 6.Bd2 Bxd2+ 7.Nbxd2 0-0 8.0-0 Nc6 9.Re1 Ba6 10.Rc1 Ne7 11.Qc2 h6 12.b3 Ng6 $13 . \mathrm{e} 4$ c6 14.Ne5 Nxe5 15.dxe5 Nd7 16.Nf3 Nc5 17.Nd4 Rc8 18.Rcd1 Qg5 19.f4 Qd8 20.b4 Nxe4 21.Bxe4 Bxc4 22.Bd3 Bxd3 23.Qxd3 c5 24.Nb5 cxb4 25.Nxa7 Rc3 26.Qb1 Qc7 27.Qxb4 Qc5+ 28.Qxc5 bxc5 29.Nb5 Rc2 30.Ra1 c4 31.Re3 Ra8 32.a4 Rb2 33.Rea3 Rd8 34.Nd6 f6 35.a5 fxe5 36.fxe5 Re2 37.Rf1 Rxe5 38.Nf7 1-0

## Winter TNM u1200 (3.29)

21.11.2023
[Winslow, Elliott]
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.Bb5+ Bd7 4.Bxd7+ Nxd7 5.d4 cxd4 6.Nxd4
[ 6.Qxd4 might make more sense. ]
6...Ngf6 7.Nc3 e6 8.0-0 a6 9.Bg5 Be7 10.Qd2 0-0 11.Rfe1 Rc8 12.Rad1 Qc7 13.h3 Ne5 14.Rb1 b5 15.Nd1 d5 16.Bxf6 Nc4 17.Qd3 dxe4 18.Rxe4 Bxf6 19.b3 Nd6 20.Re2 Rfd8 21.Nf3 Nf5 22.Qe4 Nd4 23.Re1 Nxf3+ 24.Qxf3 Qxc2 25.Ne3 Qxa2 26.Ng4 Bc3 27.Red1 Qa5 28.Rxd8+ Rxd8 29.Rc1 My guess.
[ 29.Qg3 is one scoresheet, the other scoresheet: "29.Rb3" b4 ]
29...b4 30.Qg3 Qg5 One scoresheet has "...Qf5" (but Nh6+) 31.Rb1 h5
32.Ne3 Qxg3 33.fxg3 Bd4 34.Kf2 Bxe3+ 35.Kxe3 Rd5 36.Ra1 a5 37.Rc1 g5 38.h4 g4 39.Rc8+ Kg7 (This could actually be the game position!) 40.Rc7 Kg6 41.Rc6 Rd1 42.Rc5 Rb1 43.Rxa5 Rxb3+ 44.Kf4 f6 45.Rb5 Rb1 46.Rb8 "47...Re8 48. Rg8 Kf7 49.Rb1 b3 50.Rxb3 Kg6" never mind. Black won, 66 moves or so. 0-1

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Halle,Zachary
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Dolan,Kevin
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Winter TNM u1200 (3.30) 21.11.2023
[Winslow, Elliott]
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 exd5 4.Bd3 Nc6 5.c3 Nf6 6.Bf4 Bg4 7.Qb3 Qe7+ 8.Be3 0-0-0 9.Nd2 Bh5 10.Ngf3 Ng4 11.0-0 Nxe3 12.Rfe1 Bxf3 13.Rxe3 [ 13.Nxf3]
13...Be4 14.Nxe4 dxe4 15.Rxe4 Qf6
16.Rae1 Bd6 17.d5 Ne5 0-1

Pirone,John Brockman,David
Winter TNM u1200 (3.31)
[Winslow,Elliott]
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 a5 6.0-0 d6 7.Re1 Bg4 Now, it's as if we were travelling along the most famous street in the city (I had in mind le Champs Elysees du Paris) and suddenly with one turn we're in a completely deserted part of town. Dark alley. Not a soul in sight. Or in our chess world: from seven hundred games -- to five.
[ 7...0-0 8.h3 as in every single current superstar imaginable -- most if not all of them for both sides! (Well, no Ding games as White -- you have to be willing to play 1.e4...) h6 9.Nbd2 Be6 10.Bb5 is hundreds of games -but now guess the hugely most common move, 7-1 over everything else combined: Qb8!? As Michael "MGA" Anderson would type: "SMH". ]

## 8.h3! Bxf3

[ 8...Bh5 9.Nbd2 0-0 10.Nf1 Re8? (10...h6) 11.Ng3 Bxf3 12.Qxf3 a4 13.Bg5 1-0 Bondar,V-Martin,V ICCFCup8/9 V098 corr ICCF corr 1990 1-0. And the amazing thing is: resignation is appropriate. White is totally winning. If Nb8 14.Nf5 Nbd7 15.Qg3 horrible things are happening. ]
9.Qxf3士 g6?? 10.Bg5 0-0 11.Bxf6 Qd7 12.Nd2 a4 13.a3 Ra5 14.Bd5 Rb5 15.Rab1 Ne7 16.Bc4 Rb6 17.d4 Bxa3 18.bxa3 exd4 19.Rxb6 cxb6 20.cxd4 d5 21.Bxd5 Nxd5 22.exd5 Qb5 23.d6 Rb8 24.Re7 Qb2 25.Rxb7 Rxb7 26.Qxb7 Qc1+ 27.Kh2 Qxd2

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28.Qc8\#
21.11.2023
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.g3 Nf6 4.d3 Bc5
$5 . \mathrm{Bg} 2 \mathrm{~d} 6$ 6.0-0 Bg4 7.Nbd2 Qd7
8.Re1 h5 9.c3 h4 10.Qc2 hxg3
11.hxg3 Bh3 12.Bh1 Nh5 13.Nf1 Bxf1
14.Kxf1 Nxg3+ 15.fxg3 Rxh1+ 16.Ke2

Qh3 17.Rxh1 Qg2+ 18.Kd1 Qxf3+
19.Qe2 Qxh1+ 20.Kc2 0-0-0 21.a3

Rh8 22.Qg4+ Kb8 23.b4 Rh2+ 24.Kb3
Qg2 25.bxc5 Qc2+ 26.Kc4 Qa4+
27.Kd5 Ne7\#

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Winter TNM: Extra Rated (3.32) 21.11.23


[^0]:    Mani,Venugopal Kingma,Karl Stuart Winter TNM: 1600-1999 (3.12)
    1.d4 e6 2.c4 d5 3.Nf3 c5 4.Nc3 cxd4 5.Qxd4 Nc6 6.Qd2 d4 7.Ng5 Bb4

[^1]:    Henderson,Se
    Agdamag,Samuel
    Winter TNM: 1600-1999 (3.17) 21.11.23
    1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bc4 e6 7.Be3 Be7 8.Qd2 Ng4 9.0-0 Qc7 10.Rac1 Qxc4 11.Nf3 Qc7 12.Bf4 Nc6 13.Bg3 0-0 14.h3 Nge5 15.Nxe5 dxe5 16.Nd1 Rd8 17.Qe1 Qd6 18.c3 Qd2 19.Qe3
    Qxe3 20.Nxe3 b5 21.Ng4 f6 22.f3 Bc5+ 23.Kh2 Bb7 24.c4 b4 25.Rc2 Rd7 26.Bf2 Nd4 27.Bxd4 Rxd4 28.b3 Rad8 29.Re1 Bc6 30.Ree2 Be8 31.Nf2 Bh5 32.Ng4 Bxg4 33.hxg4 Rd3 34.Kg3 Be3 35.Rb2 Bf4+ 36.Kf2 Rd2 37.g3 Rxe2+ 38.Rxe2 Bd2 39.Kf1 Kf8 40.Rg2 Bc3 41.Rc2 Rd2 42.Rxd2 Bxd2 43.Ke2 Bc3 44.c5 Ke8 45.Kd3 Kd7 46.Kc4 Kc6 47.a3 a5 48.a4 Be1 49.f4 Bxg3 50.f5 exf5 51.exf5 Bf4 0-1

