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Newsletter of the North Penn Chess Club of Lansdale, Fall 2012 Part 2

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More Games From the NPCC 2012 Membership Drive Tournament:

Round: 4

(Submitted by Olin Mastin with my comments and selected brief comments extracted from *Fritz*, [Shown in brackets thusly].

White: Don Funk (1672)

Black: Olin Mastin (1503)

Date: 09/28/2012

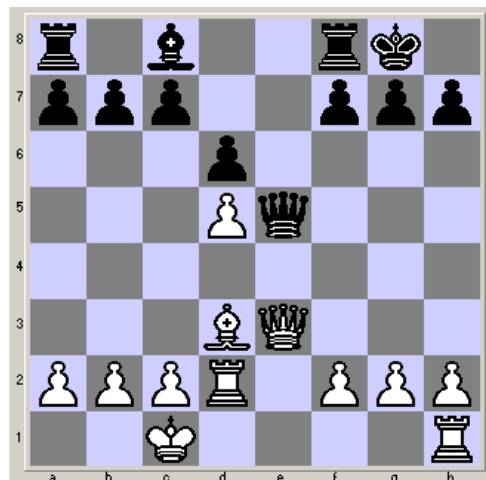
[Petroff Defense] 1.e4 Nf6 2.Nc3 e5 3.Nf3 Bb4 4.d4 exd4 5.Qxd4 Nc6 6.Qe3 Qe7 7.Bd2 0-0 8.Bd3 d6 [D]



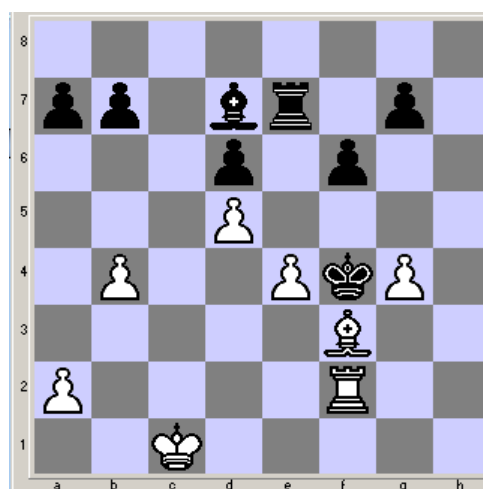
[White has an

active position] 9.0-0-0 Ne5 10.Nxe5 Qxe5

11.Nd5 Bxd2+ 12.Rxd2 Nxd5 13.exd5 Qxe3 [D]



(13...Qxd5?? 14.Bxh7+ Kxh7 15.Rxd5) 14.fxe3 [White has a new backward pawn] 14...Re8 15.e4 Re5 16.h3 [Prevents intrusion on g4] 16...Bd7 17.Re2 h5 18.g4 f6 19.Rg2 Kf7 20.Rhg1 hxg4 21.hxg4 Rg5 22.Be2 Rh8 23.c4 Re5 24.Bf3 Rh3 25.Rg3 Rxc3 26.Rxc3 c6 27.b4 cxd5 28.cxd5 Kg6 29.Rh3 Kg5 30.Rh7 Re7 31.Rh2 Kf4 32.Rf2?? [D]



[The

position was bad, and this mistake simply hastens the end] 32...Kg3 33.Rf1 Bb5! (and it's all over) 34.Re1 Kxf3 (Certainly resigning was long overdue, but one could say I am a bit slow to resign. I stubbornly played to an eventual mate)

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Round: 1

(Submitted by Olin Mastin with my comments and selected comments extracted from *Crafty*, (Shown in parenthesis thusly))

White: Jeff Stanton (Unr)

Black: Olin Mastin (1503)

Date: 08/07/2012

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e5 3.dxe5 d4 (rather unusual) (Crafty: 3..Nf3) 4.f4 Nc6 5.Nf3 Be6 6.e3?

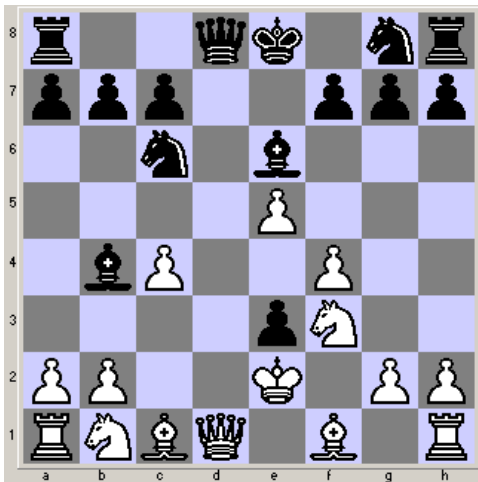
(always a bad move for white in this position of the Albin Counter Gambit) Bb4+! [D] (p.3)

Position after 6...Bb4+!: (sets up a form of the Lasker Trap)



7.Kf2?

(Again rather unusual. More "normal" is Bd2 after which black will follow with exf) dxe3+!
8.Ke2 [D]

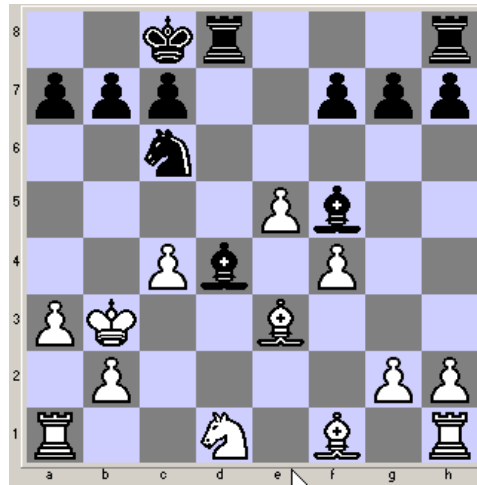


8...Qxd1+??

(Bxc4+!! wins outright!) (Now for a little chess blindness excuse. I had just knocked over my Wawa coffee mug before making my 8th move. Fortunately the cap was on securely, preventing all the contents from spilling out over the vinyl playing board. So after dutifully announcing a very clear, "I adjust", I proceeded to mop up the coffee with some napkins I had. Eric promptly bought some towels from the kitchen also. Before the coffee incident, I was mulling over exchanging queens to be followed by long castling checking white's king in the process and to get a good hold on the queen file, completely missing Bxc4+ which ends the game. Eric said after the game that the coffee incident interrupted my concentration. Hey, that's a good excuse as any! My opponent after the game said he was very relieved when I went for the queen exchange. He saw Bxc4+ and figured the game would be over. Oh well, we played many more moves giving us both good experience. At least it sounds good!)

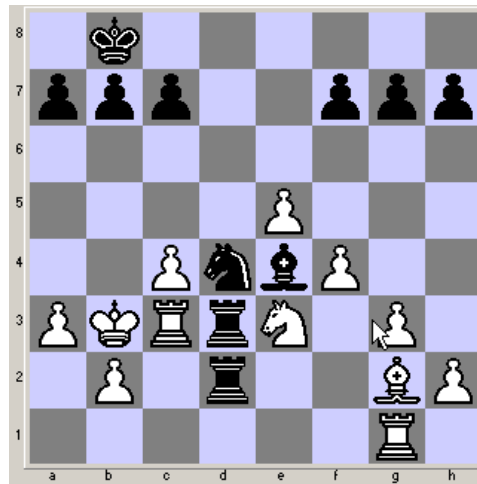
9.Kxd1 O-O-O+ 10.Kc2 Bf5+ 11.Kb3 Bc5

12.a3 Nd4+ 13.Nxd4 Bxd4 14.Nc3 Ne7 15.Nd1 Nc6 16.Bxe3 [D]



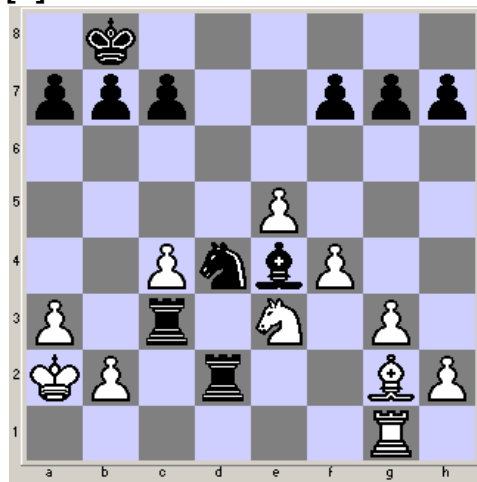
(Crafty:

16.Nxe3 Be4 17.Be2 f6 18.exf6 Bxf6) Rd7 17.Rc1 Rhd8 18.g3 Be4 19.Rg1 Bxe3 20.Nxe3 Rd2 21.Bh3+ Kb8 22.Bg2 R8d3+ 23.Rc3 Nd4+! [D]



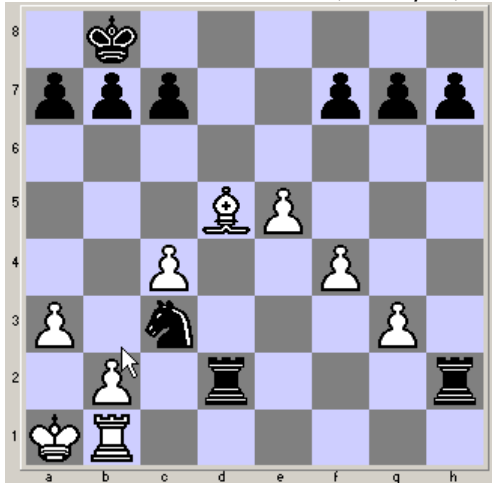
24.Ka2

(Crafty: 1.Ka4 Rxb2 2.Rxd3 Bxd3 3.Bxb7 Rxb7 4.Rd1 Nb3 5.h4 Nc5+ 6.Ka5 c6 7.Rxd3 Nxd3 8.Nf5 Rb3 9.a4 Nb2 10.c5 Nc4+ 11.Ka6 Ra3 12.Nxg7 Rxg3) Rxc3! [D]

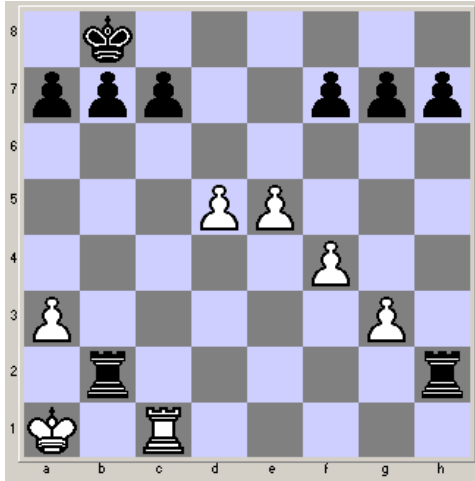


25.Bxe4 Rxe3 26.Bh1 Ree2 27.Rb1 Rxh2 28.Bd5 Ne2 29.Ka1 (Crafty: 1.Kb3 Nxg3 2.Bxf7 Ne4 3.Bg8 Rd3+ 4.Ka2 Nc3+ 5.Ka1 Nxb1 6.Kxb1 Rdd2 7.Ka1 Rxb2 8.Bxh7 Rbf2 9.Be4 Rxf4) Nc3 [D] (p.3)

Position after 29... Nc3: (from p.2)



30.Rc1 Nxd5 31.cxd5 Rxb2 [D]



32.Rxc7??

(Desperado?) Kxc7 0-1

Round: 3

(Submitted by Olin Mastin with my comments and selected brief comments extracted from Fritz, [Shown in brackets thusly].

White: Michael Sena (1134)

Black: Olin Mastin (1503)

Date: 09/28/2012

[Scandinavian Defense] 1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Qxd5

3.Nc3 Qa5 4.Nf3 Bg4 5.Be2 c6 6.0-0 Nf6 7.d4 e6 [D]



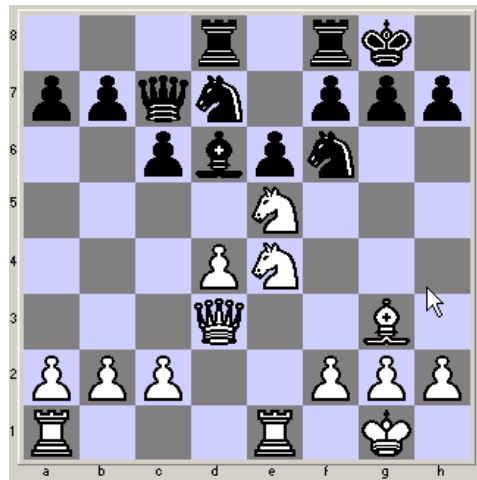
8.Bd2 Qc7 9.Ne5 Bf5 10.Bf4 Bd6 11.Bg3-0 12.Bd3 [D]



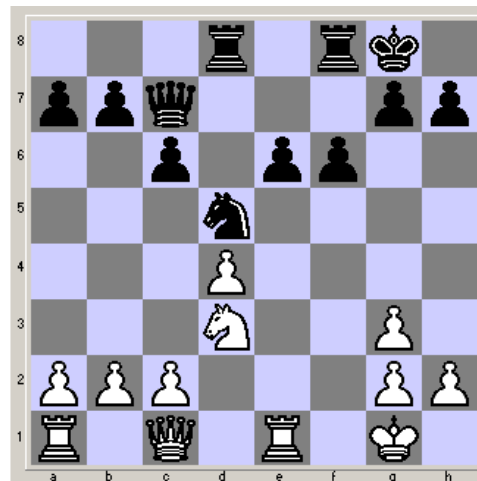
12...Bxd3

13.Qxd3 [Black has a cramped position] 13...Nbd7

14.Rfe1 Rad8 15.Ne4 [D]

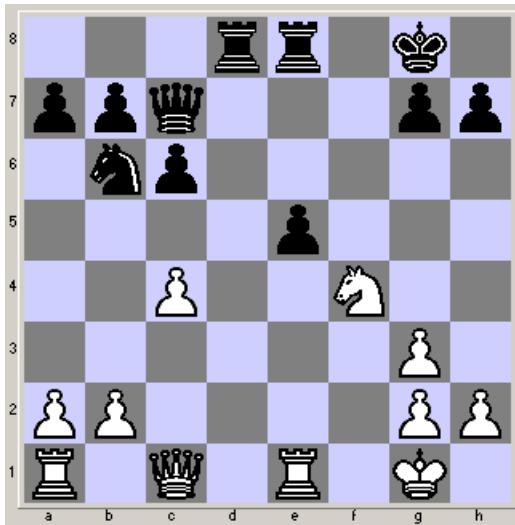


15...Nxe4 16.Qxe4 Nf6 [16...Nxe5 17.dxe5 Be7 18.Bf4] 17.Qe3 Nd5 18.Qc1 [18.Qb3 Ne7=] 18...f6 [18...Ne7 19.b4=] 19.Nd3 Bxg3 20.fxg3 [D]

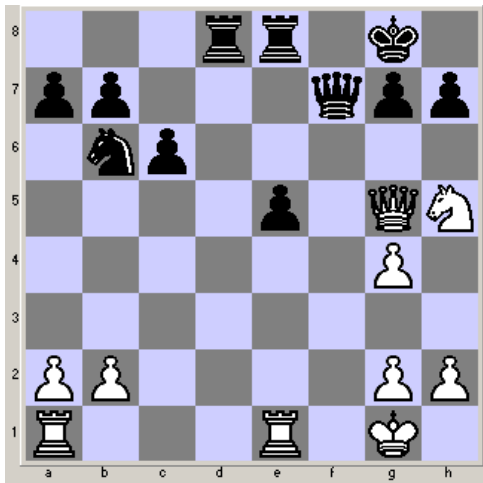


20...Rfe8 21.c4 Nb6 22.Nf4 e5 23.dxe5 fx5 [D] (p.4)

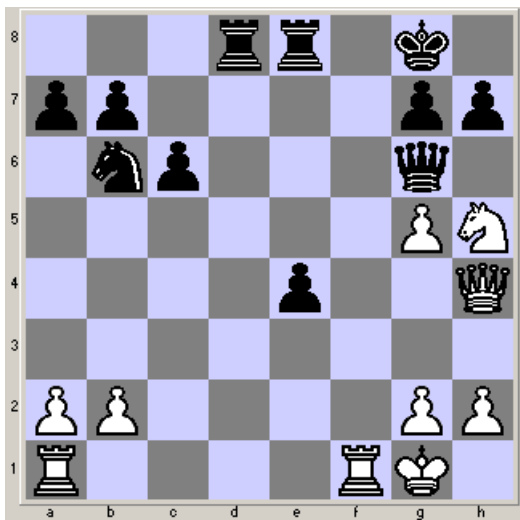
Position after 23...fxe5: (from p.3)



[Black has a new passed pawn: e5] [Less advisable is 23...Rxe5 24.Ne6 Rxe6 25.Rxe6] **24.Nh5** [24.Nh3 Rd4 25.c5 Nd5µ] **24...Qf7 25.g4** [25.c5 Qxh5 26.cxb6 axb6µ] **25...Qxc4 26.Qg5 Qf7** [D]

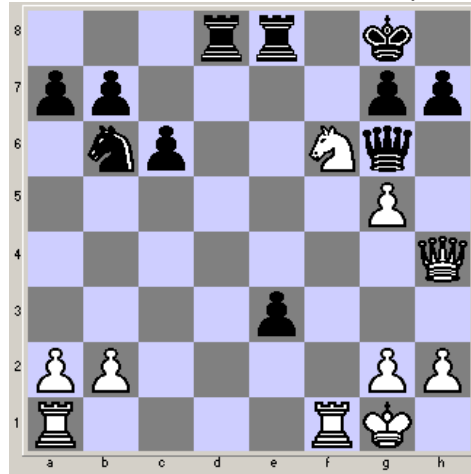


27.Rf1Qg6 28.Qh4 e4 29.g5? [D]

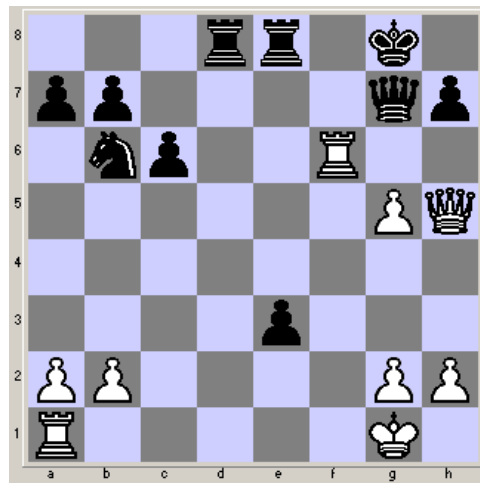


29...e3 30.Nf6+ [D] (next col.)

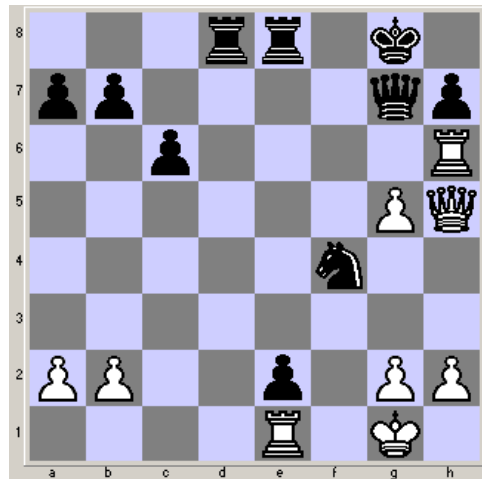
Position after 30.Nf6+: (from prev. col.)



[30.Rae1] **30...gxf6 31.Rxf6 Qg7 32.Qh5** [D]

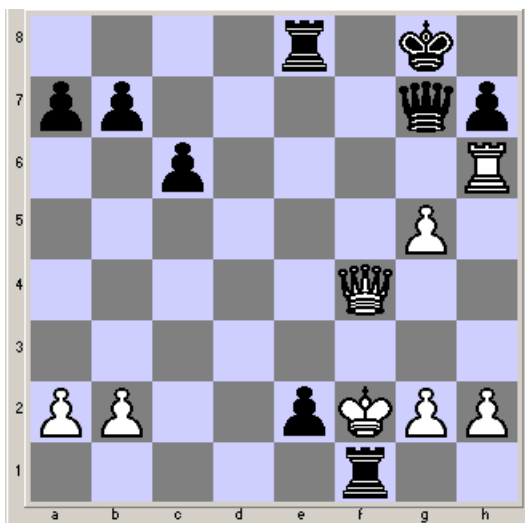


[32.Re1 the last chance for counterplay 32...Nd5 33.Rff1 Qxb2 34.Qh5] **32...e2 33.Re1 Nd5 34.Rh6 Nf4** [D]



35.Qg4 Rd1 36.Qxf4 Rxe1+ 37.Kf2 Rf1+ [D] (p.5)

Position after 37...Rf1+: (from p.4)



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Now for a father & son game played in the NPCC 2012 May Swiss:

(Submitted by Don Funk with his comments and selected brief comments extracted from Fritz, [Shown in brackets thusly].

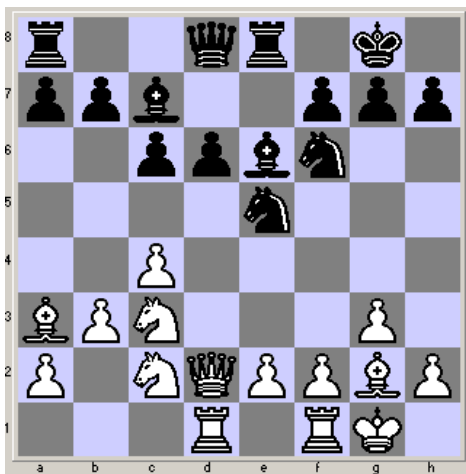
White: Eric Funk (2038)

Black: Don Funk (1630)

Date: 05/18/2012

Round 2

[English Opening, Four Knights Variation] 1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.d4 exd4 5.Nxd4 Be7 6.g3 Ne5 7.b3 O-O 8.Bg2 Bb4 9.Bb2 d6 10.O-O c6 11.Nc2 Ba5 12.Ne3 Bb6 13.Qd2 Re8 14.Nc2 Be6 15.Rad1 Bc7 16.Ba3 [D]

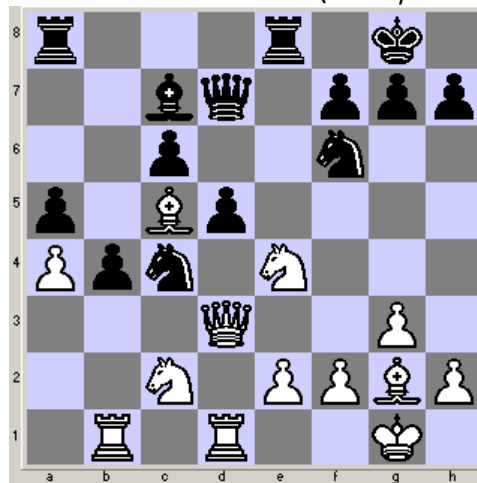


16...Bxc4

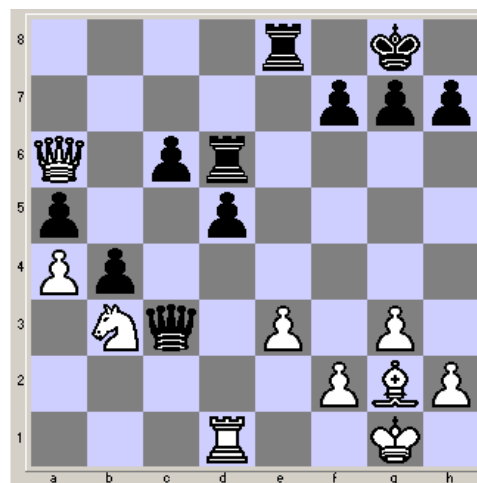
(Black is about to lose a pawn, so I decided to sack a Bishop for 2 pawns instead.)

17.bxc4 Nxc4 18.Qd3 d5 19.Rb1 b5 20.Bc5 a5 21.Rfd1 Qd7 22.a4 b4 23.Ne4 [D] (Next col.) 23... Qf5?? [Black lets it slip away, 23...Rxe4 is the only rescuing move. 24.Bxe4 Ne5 (24...Nxe4?? 25.Qxe4 Bd6 26.Qd4+-) 25.Bxh7+ Nxh7] 24.Nxf6+ Qxf6 25.Nd4 Rad8

Position after 23.Ne4: (from prev. col.)

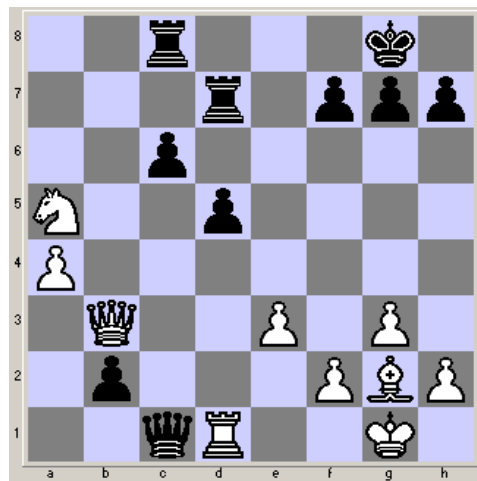


26.e3 Bd6 27.Bxd6 Rxd6 28.Nb3 Nb2 29.Qa6 Nxd1 30.Rxd1 Qc3 [D]



31.Nxa5?

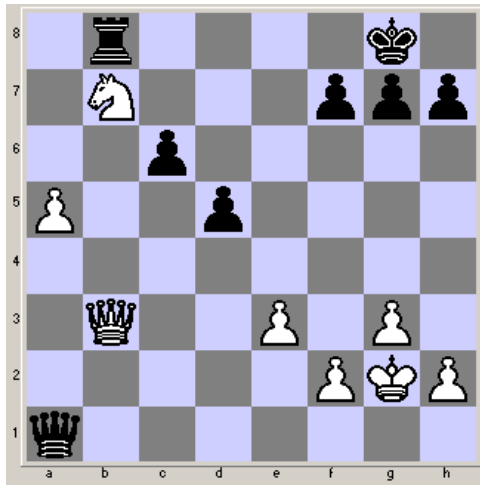
[31.Qd3 and White can hope to survive Qxd3 32.Rxd3=] b3 32.Qb6 b2 33.Nb7 Qc1 34.Qb3 Rd7 35.Na5? [35.Nc5 Qxc5 36.Qxb2-+] Rc8 [D]



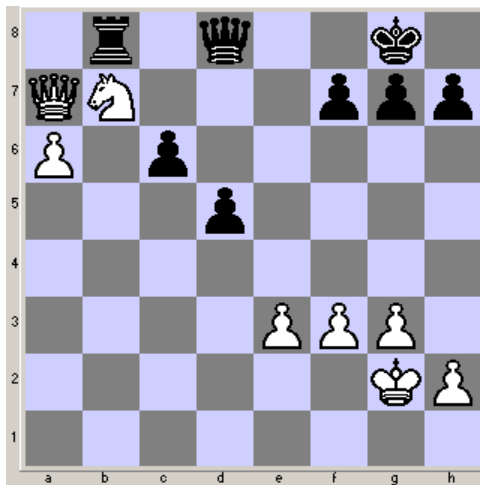
[35...Ra7

and Black has triumphed 36.Nxc6 Rb7 (36...Qxc6?! 37.Qxb2 Qxa4 38.Qb1) 37.Qxd5 Qxd1+ 38.Qxd1 b1Q] 36.Bh3 Rdc7 37.Bxc8 Rxc8 38.Kg2 Ra8 39.Nb7 Rb8 40.Rxc1?? [Weakening the position. 40.a5, saving the game,... Qa1 41.h3] bxc1=Q 41.a5 Qa1[D] (p.6)

Position after 41...Qa1: (from p.5)



[41...Qc4 and Black can celebrate victory 42.Qb6 Qb5 43.Qxb5 cxb5-+]. 42.Qb6 Qa4 43.Qa7? [43.a6 Ra8 44.Nc5] Qe4+ 44.f3 Qe8 [44...Qc2+ and Black can already relax 45.Kh3 Rf8 46.Nd6-+] 45.a6 Qc8 46.Nd6 Qd8 47.Nb7?? [D]



[47.Qxf7+!/?

has some apparent merit ...Kh8 48.a7 Qxd6 49.axb8 B Qxb8 50.Qe6=][White is ruining his position] 47...Qc8 [Twofold repetition. 47...Ra8, Black has the better game 48.Qd4 Qb8-+] 48.Nd6 Qd8 1/2-1/2

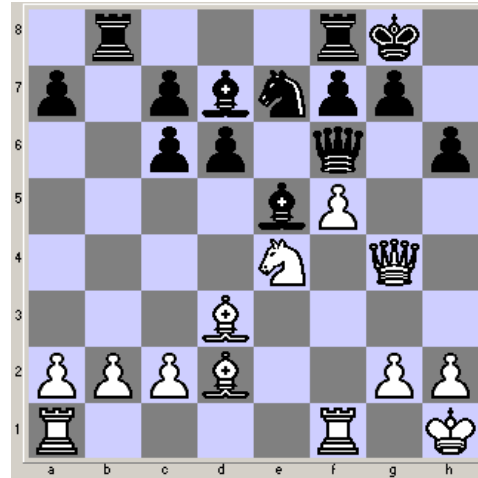
The next game is from the NPCC November Octo. A well fought battle on both sides.

(Submitted by Doug Kern and Tom DiMarco with their comments)

White: Doug Kern (1858)
Black: Tom DiMarco (1546)
Date: 11/16/2012
Round 3

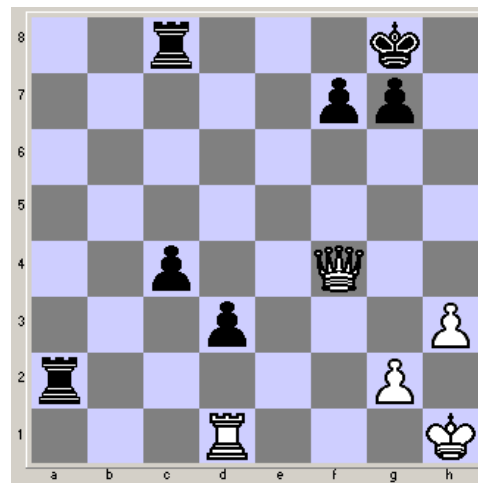
1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. d4 exd4 4. Nxd4 Bc5 5. Nxc6 bxc6 6. Bc4 (Tom: MCO-13 gives 6.e5 Qe7 as continuation) (Doug: Bd3 is better) Qf6 7. O-O Ne7 8. Nc3 O-O 9. Kh1 d6 10. f4 Be6 11. Bd3 Bd4 12. Bd2 Rab8 13. f5 Bd7 14. Qg4 (Doug: e5! is stronger. I saw it but felt it was too risky) (Tom: Crafty 20-4 gives 14.Qg4 Rxb4 Ne2 as

the continuation with a lead for black)...h6 15. e5 (Doug: I go for it anyway) (Tom: Crafty 20-4 gives 15.e5 Bxe5 with a pawn lead for black as Ne4 Qg6 as Doug mentions) Bxe5 16. Ne4 [D]



Qxf5 (Doug:

Fritz points out Qg6! with advantage to black but I missed this) 17. Rxf5 Bxf5 18. Nf6+ Bxf6 19. Bxf5 Nxf5 20. Qxf5 Rxb2 21. Rf1 Bg5 22. Bxg5 hxg5 23. Qxg5 Rxc2 24. Qa5 d5 25. Qxa7 c5 26. Qxc7 d4 27. h3 (Doug: Qd6 is much stronger) c4 28. Rd1 d3 29. Qd6 (Doug: Qa5 keeps the a-pawn) Rxa2 30. Qf4 Rc8 [D]

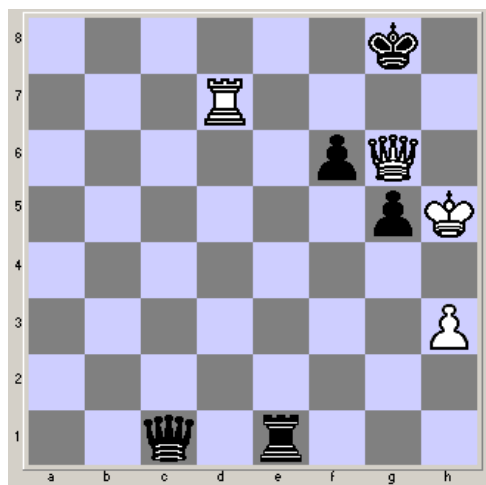


31. Rd2 ??

(Rf1) Ra1+ (Doug: Rxd2 Qxd2 32. c3 and black wins) 32. Kh2 c3 33. Rxd3 c2 34. Rd7 f6 35. Qg4 Rh1+ (Doug: Tom isn't giving up without a fight) 36. Kg3 Rc3+ 37. Kh4 g5+ 38. Kh5 Re1 39. Qf5 Rxh3+ 40. gxh3 c1=Q 41. Qg6+ [D] (p.7)



Position after 41.Qg6+: (from p.6)



(Doug: A

hard fought game by both sides, an extremely tense game.) **1-0**

Three NPCC members participate in the Allentown Center City Chess Club Simul:

On December 1, 2012, Tom DiMarco, Harry Hartman, and Olin Mastin travelled to Allentown to play in a simul given by Peter Minear, (~2400) two times PA State Champion. Congratulations to Peter for his 16 win-0 losses-1 draw performance at his simul. Kevin Santo was the only player to nick him for a half-point.



L to R:

Olin Mastin, Eric Johnson (Director), Tom DiMarco, Harry Hartman. Picture snapped by Peter Minear!



L to R:

Peter Minear, Harry Hartman, Tom DiMarco. Picture snapped by Olin Mastin (Empty chair!)



Olin Mastin making a great move (NOT!) against Peter. Picture snapped by Eric Johnson (Director)

The North Penn Chess Club begins its 34th Annual Winter Robin on Friday, January 4th!

Tournament Schedule

| DATES | ROUNDS | EVENT & COMMENTS |
|-----------------------|-----------------|---|
| 12/28/2012 | Open for | Skittles, Speed Chess, etc... |
| 1/4/2013 | 1 of 7 * | Winter Robin |
| 1/11/2013 | 2 of 7 * | 40/100 SD45 |
| 1/18/2013 | 3 of 7 * | EF: \$25/\$35 |
| 1/25/2013 | 4 of 7 * | If you cannot play on a particular Friday, make alternative arrangements with your opponent in advance. |
| 2/1/2013 | 5 of 7 * | |
| 2/8/2013 | 6 of 7 * | |
| 2/15/2013 | 7 of 7 * | |
| 2/22/2013 3/1/2013 | Open Nights for | Make-up games and speed chess. |

More to be printed. Keep checking in. Thanks. You may also check the website:

www.northpennchessclub.org

* **NOTE:** All rounds begin at 8 PM. Arrive 7:45 1st Round!

Allentown Center City Chess Club Offer (from Eric C. Johnson): **"For any of our events -- if three or more Lansdale players carpool together -- the driver plays for free!"**

www.freewebs.com/allentowncentercitychessclub

Other places to play chess:

The below are for friendly off hand non-rated games (clocks optional). Bring chess set.

Monday evenings about 6:00 to 10:00 PM, "House of Coffee", (formally Saxby's) 22 North Main Street, Doylestown.

Tuesday mornings 9:30 AM to Noon at the Pennridge Community Senior Center in Silverdale. Located on route 113 near route 152