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## Newsletter of the North Penn Chess Club of Lansdale, PA - Spring 2014, Part 1

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This issue contains games played in the recent 2014 NPCC Winter Robin. Thanks to all for submitting games! Because I have an abundance of Winter Robin games that have been so graciously contributed by many of the NPCC players, you may notice some condensation of text and diagrams to fit in more games.

I would like to add a note concerning these newsletters. I think it is rather significant that our club has a publication that feature games primarily played at our club.

Please feel free to email any comments both pro and con of what you like or dislike about the newsletters.

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### Games from the NPCC 2014 Winter Robin Tournament:

#### Round: 1

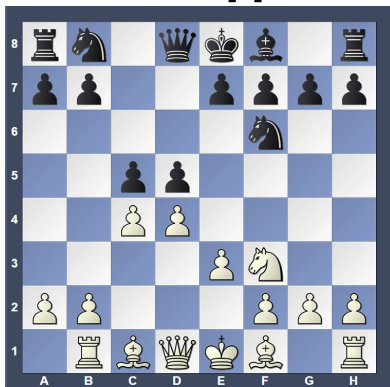
Submitted by Olin with my comments and selected Fritz comments [shown thusly].

**White: Don Funk (1643)**

**Black: Olin Mastin (1535)**

**Date: 1/10/2014**

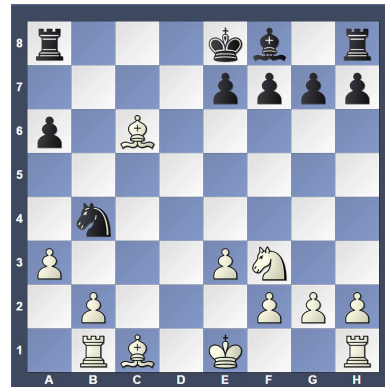
*D04: Colle System* 1.d4 d5 2.e3 Bf5 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.c4 Bxb1 5.Rxb1 c5!? [D]



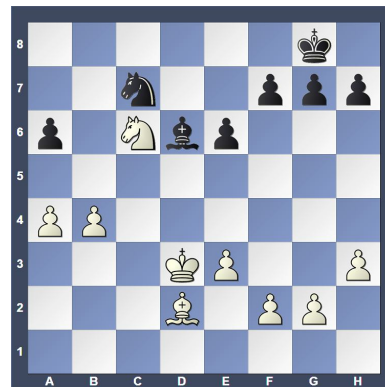
(Olin -- Somewhat too

speculative on my part. c6 or e6 more sound) 6.Qb3 Qb6 7.dxc5 Qxc5 [Causes further problems. 7...Qxb3 8.axb3 Nc6] 8.Qxb7 Qc6 9.Qxc6+ Nxc6 10.cxd5 Nxd5 11.Bb5 Ndb4 12.a3 a6 13.Bxc6+ [D] (Next col.) [13.Ba4 and White can celebrate victory 13...0-0-0 14.axb4] 13...Nxc6 14.b4 e6 15.Ke2 Be7 16.Bd2 0-0 17.Rhc1 Rfc8 18.Rc2 Na7 19.Rbc1 Rxc2 20.Rxc2 Rc8 21.Rxc8+ Nxc8 22.Kd3 Nd6 23.Nd4 Nb5 [23...Nb7 24.e4] 24.Nc6 Bd6 25.a4 Nc7 26.h3 [D] (Next col.) (Text cont. next col.)

Position after 13.Bxc6+ (From prev. col.)

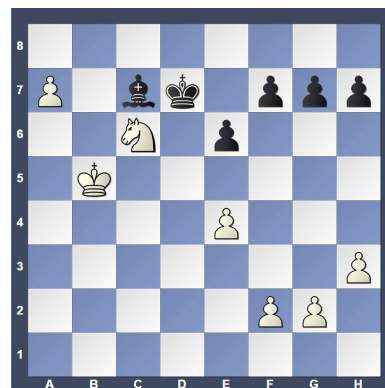


Position after 26.h3 (From prev. col.)



(Cont. from prev.

col.) (Olin -- this variation created by me: 26.Kc4 Bxh2 27.g3 Bg1 28.f3 Bf2 29.g4 g6, White was right to play 26.h3) 26...Nd5? 27.e4 Nf4+ [27...Nb6 there is nothing better in the position 28.a5 Nc8] 28.Bxf4 Bxf4 29.Kc4 [29.e5 secures the point 29...Kf8 30.b5 axb5 31.a5] 29...Bc7 30.a5 Kf8 31.b5 axb5+ 32.Kxb5 Ke8 33.a6 Kd7 34.a7 [D]



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#### Round: 1

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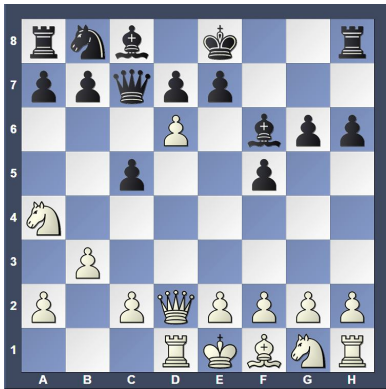
**White: Tony Durkin (1650)**

**Black: Yidong Chen (2027)**

**Date: 1/10/2014**

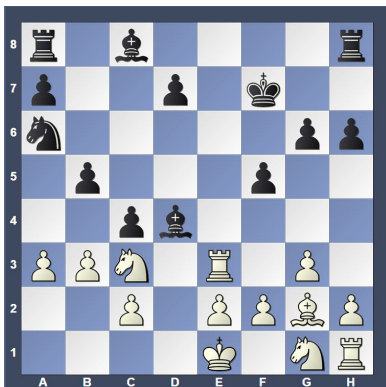
[A43: Schmid Benoni] 1.d4 c5 2.d5 f5 3.Bg5 Qb6 4.b3 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Qd2 Bg7 7.Rd1 h6 8.Na4 Qc7 9.Bxf6 Bxf6 10.d6 [D] (p.2) (Text cont. p.2)

Position after 10.d6 (From p.1)



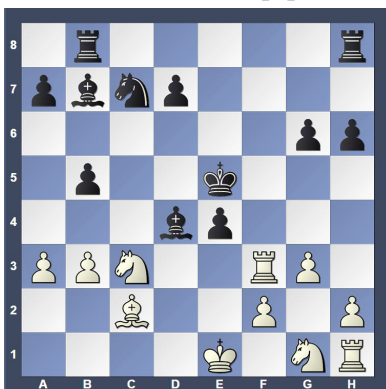
(Cont. from p.1)

10...Qxd6 11.Qxd6 exd6 12.Rxd6 Ke7 13.Rd3 Na6  
14.a3 Kf7 15.g3 [Better is 15.c4] 15...b5 16.Nc3 c4  
17.Re3 Bd4 18.Bg2 [D]



18...Rb8 19.Bd5+

Kf6 20.Rf3 cxb3 21.cxb3 [21.Bxb3 Bb7 22.Nd5+ Bxd5  
23.Bxd5 Rhc8] 21...Nc7 22.Be4 Ke5 23.Bc2? [Better is  
23.Rd3 Bxf2+! Black gets the advantage 24.Kxf2 fxe4 25.Re3]  
23...Bb7 24.e4 fxe4 [D]



White resigns. [24...fxe4 25.Re3 Bxe3 26.fxe3 Rbc8] 0-1

**Round: 1**

Submitted by Joe with selected Fritz comments  
[shown thusly].

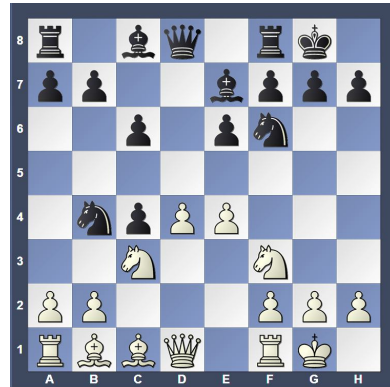
**White: Joseph J Mucerino Jr (2117)**

**Black: Mathew M Martello (1855)**

**Date: 1/10/2014**

[D07: Queen's Gambit: Chigorin Defense] 1.d4 d5 2.Nf3  
Nf6 3.e3 Nc6 4.c4 e6 5.Nc3 Be7 6.Bd3 Nb4 7.Bb1  
dxc4 8.0-0 0-0 9.e4 c6 [D] (Next col.) [9...b6!? is  
worth looking at] 10.a3 Nd3 11.Be3 Nxb2 12.Qc2  
Nd3 13.Ne1 Qa5 [Better is 13...Nxe1 and the scales tip in  
favor of Black 14.Rxe1 Ng4] 14.Nxd3 cxd3 15.Qxd3 [D]  
(Next col.) 15...Qh5 [15...Bxa3?? taking the pawn is naive  
16.e5 g6 17.exf6] 16.e5 Nd5 17.Ne4 Nxe3 18.fxe3 g6  
19.Ra2 a5 20.Rf3 Qh6 21.Raf2 b5 (Text cont. next  
col.)

Position after 9...c6 (From prev. col.)

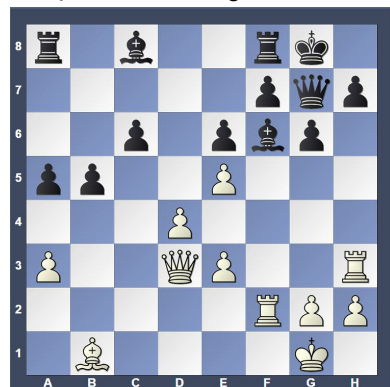


Position after 15.Qxd3 (From prev. col.)



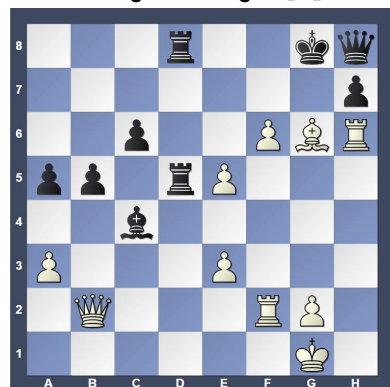
(From prev. col.)

[Further deteriorates the position. 21...Bh4 22.Qf1 b5  
(22...Bxf2+? is inferior since it leads to 23.Qxf2 f5  
24.exf6)] 22.Rh3 Qg7 23.Nf6+ Bxf6 [D]



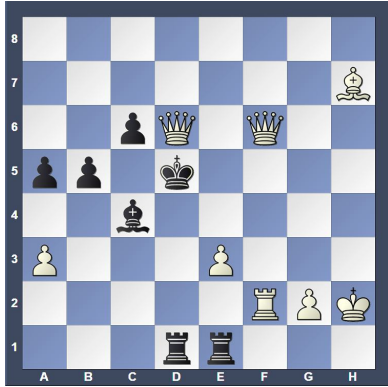
24.exf6 [24.Rxf6?!

b4 25.Qc2 Ba6=] 24...Qh8 25.Rh6 e5 [25...Rd8 26.Qe4  
b4 27.h4] 26.dxe5 [26.Ba2 Re8 27.Rxg6+ Kf8]  
26...Be6 [26...Re8 27.h4 Bf5 28.Rxf5] 27.h4 Rad8  
28.Qc2 Bc4 29.h5 Rd3 30.Qc1 [30.e6 Rfd8 31.e7 Re8  
32.hxg6 hxg6 33.Rxh8+ Kxh8] 30...Rd5 31.hxg6 Rfd8  
[31...fxg6 32.Bxg6! Deflection: h7 32...Rxe5 33.Qc2]  
32.Qb2 fxg6 33.Bxg6! [D]



(Cont. p.3)

(Cont. from p.2) 33...R8d7 [33...hxg6 34.Rxh8+] 34.f7+ Kf8 35.Rxh7 Rd1+ 36.Kh2 Qxh7+ 37.Bxh7 Re1 38.e6! [Clears e5] 38...Rdd1 [38...Bxe6 39.Qh8+ Mate attack] 39.Qh8+ Ke7 40.f8Q+ Kxe6 41.Qhf6+ Kd5 42.Q8d6# [D]



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**Round: 2**

Submitted by Yidong with selected Fritz comments [shown thusly].

**White: Yidong Chen (2027)**

**Black: Eric Funk (2074)**

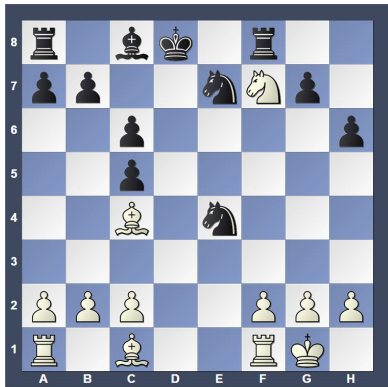
**Date: 3/7/2014**

[C63: Ruy Lopez: Schliemann/Jaenisch Defense] 1.e4 Nc6 2.Nf3 e5 3.Bb5 f5 4.d3 fxe4 5.dxe4 Nf6 6.0-0 Bc5 7.Bc4 [D]



7...h6 8.Nh4 Ne7

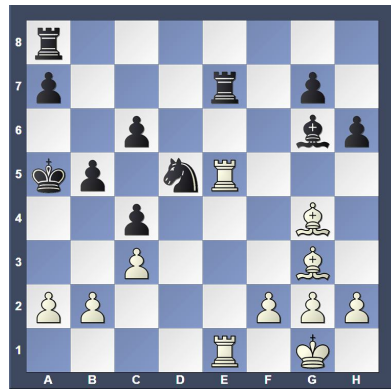
[8...Nxe4?? is refuted with the following mate in 4: 9.Qh5+ g6 10.Qxg6+ Ke7 11.Nf5+ Kf8 12.Qf7#] 9.Nc3 c6 10.Na4 d6 11.Nxc5 dxc5 12.Qxd8+ Kxd8 13.Nf3 Nxe4 14.Nxe5 Rf8 15.Nf7+ [D]



15...Kc7 16.Bf4+

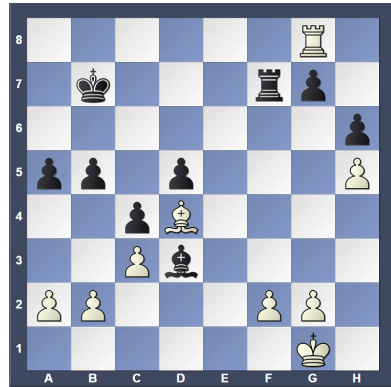
Kb6 17.Rfe1 [17.f3!? Ng5 18.a4] 17...Nd5 18.Rxe4 Rxf7 19.Bg3 Bf5 20.Re2 Re7 21.c3 Ka5 [21...Rxe2 22.Bxe2 Re8 23.Kf1=] 22.Re5 Bg6 23.Rae1 b5 24.Be2 24...c4 25.Bg4 [D] (Next col.) 25...Rf7 26.h4 Bd3 27.Re6 Kb6 28.Bf3 Rd8 29.Be5 Bf5 30.Bd4+ Kb7 (Text cont. next col.)

**Position after 25.Bg4 (From prev. col.)**



(Cont. from prev. col.)

31.R1e5 Bd3 [Better is 31...Bxe6 32.Rxe6 Rdd7] 32.h5 a6 [32...Bb1 33.Bxd5 Rxd5 34.Rxd5 cxd5 35.Rd6] 33.Re8 [33.Bxd5!? Rxd5 34.Rxd5 cxd5 35.Rb6+ Kc7 36.Rxa6 Rf5] 33...Rxe8 34.Rxe8 a5 [Better is 34...Bb1!?] 35.Bxd5 cxd5 36.Rg8 [D]



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Yidong (also goes by the name of Jason) is an exchange student from China attending the Penridge High School. He is staying with his sponsor family in the Sellersville area. He will be in the United States until sometime in May or June.

**Round: 2**

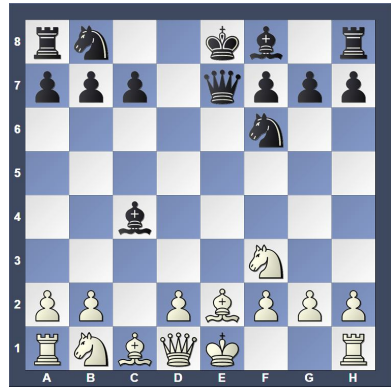
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**White: Robert Kampia (1794)**

**Black: Joseph Mucerino (2117)**

**Date: 1/17/2014**

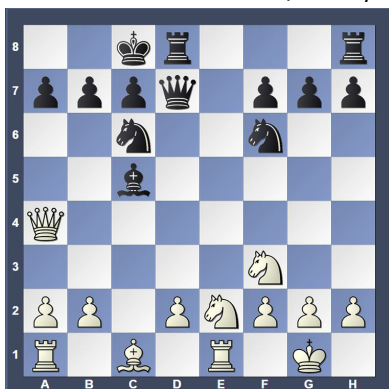
[B01: Scandinavian Defense] 1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.c4 e6 4.dxe6 Bxe6 5.Nf3 Qe7 6.Be2 Bxc4 [D]



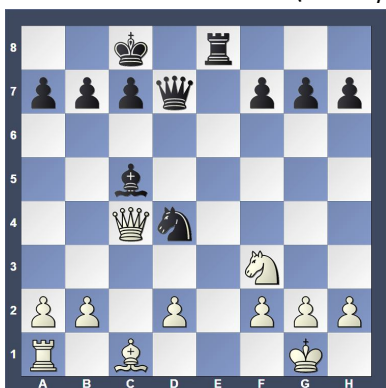
7.Nc3 Nc6 8.0-0

Bxe2 9.Nxe2 0-0-0 10.Re1 Qd7 11.Qa4 Bc5 [D] (p.4) 12.Ng3 [Better is 12.Qc2!? Bd4 13.Nfxd4 Nxd4 14.Nxd4 Qxd4 15.Qf5+ Kb8 16.d3 Qxd3 17.Qg5] 12...Rhe8 13.Ne4 [Better is 13.Rf1] 13...Nxe4 14.Rxe4 Rxe4 15.Qxe4 Re8 16.Qc4 Nd4 [D] (p.4) (Text cont. p.4)

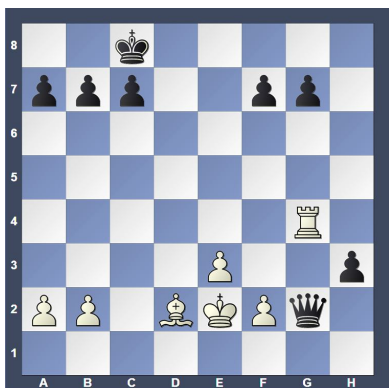
Position after 11...Bc5 (From p.3)



Position after 16...Nd4 (From p.3)



(Cont. from p.3) 17.Qxc5 [17.d3 no good, but what else? 17...Qf5 18.Be3 Nxf3+ 19.gxf3 Bxe3 20.fxe3 Qxf3 21.Rf1 Qxe3+ 22.Kh1] 17...Nxf3+ 18.gxf3 Qh3 19.Qe3 Rxe3 20.dxe3 [20.fxe3 does not improve anything 20...Qxf3 21.h4 Qg3+ 22.Kf1 Qxh4] 20...Qxf3 21.Bd2 [21.e4 doesn't change anything anymore 21...Qg4+ 22.Kf1 Qxe4] 21...h5 22.Rc1 h4 23.Kf1 Qh1+ 24.Ke2 Qxh2 25.Rc4 [25.Ba5 doesn't do any good 25...Qe5 26.Bc3 Qb5+ 27.Kf3 Qd5+ 28.Ke2 h3] 25...h3 26.Rg4 Qg2! [D]



[26...Qg2 27.Rh4 h2] 0-1

**A selected picture from the NPCC 2013 Joseph J. Memorial Tournament played in December 2013 held at NPCC's usual site, the St. John's United Church of Christ, 500 West Main Street, Lansdale, PA:**



Yidong (Jason) Chen playing Janos Fucsko; Amy Louise Bland playing Gary Stevens in background.

**More games from the NPCC 2014 Winter Robin continued in En Passant Spring 2014, Part 2.**

**Other places to play chess:**

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

**Wednesday evenings 7:30 to 10:30 PM**, at the "Christ Reformed Church at Indian Creek" located at 171 Church Road (intersection with Cowpath Road), Telford, PA. NOTE: Temporarily suspended until after Easter. Resumption will be announced.

[click here for map & directions](#)

**Tuesday mornings 9:30 AM to Noon** at the Pennridge Community Senior Center in Silverdale. Located on route 113 near route 152 across the street from the John Deere dealer.

<http://www.pennridgecenter.org>.

**Monday evenings** about 6:00 to 10:00 PM, "House of Coffee", (formally Saxby's) 22 North Main Street, Doylestown. **This moved to Starbucks just down the street** from "House of Coffee" which is closed.

**Allentown Center City Chess Club Offer**

(from Eric C. Johnson) : "For any of our events -- If three or more Lansdale players carpool together – the designated driver plays for free!"