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Newsletter of the North Penn Chess Club of Lansdale, PA - Spring 2014, Part 4

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This issue is a continuation of games played in the recent 2014 NPCC Winter Robin. Thanks to all for submitting games!

Games from the NPCC 2014 Winter Robin Tournament:

Round: 6

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

White: Olin Mastin (1535)

Black: Don Edwards (1409)

Date: 2/28/2014

[A05: Réti Opening: 1 Nf3 Nf6] 1.Nf3 Nf6 2.g3 g6 3.Bg2 Bg7 4.0-0 0-0 5.d3 d6 6.Nbd2 Nbd7 7.e4 e5 8.Re1 [D]



8...b6 9.Nf1

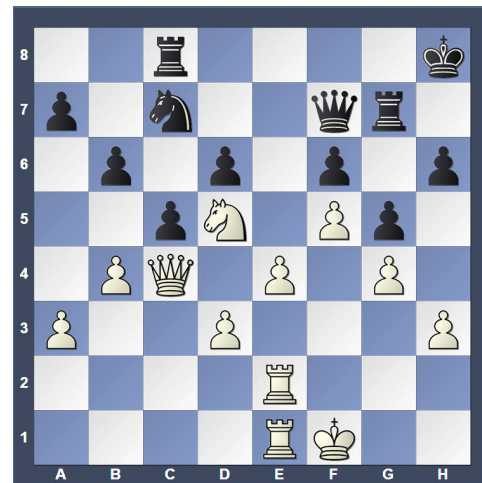
Bb7 10.Bd2 Nc5 11.Qc1 Ne8 12.Bg5 f6 13.Bh6 Qe7 14.Bxg7 Qxg7 15.Ne3 Ne6 16.Bh3 Bc8 [D]



17.b4 Nd4

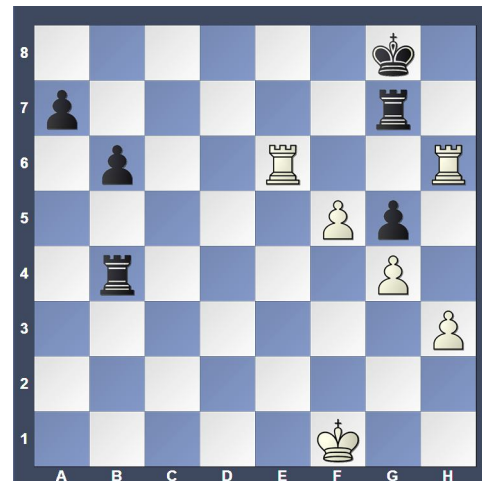
18.Nxd4 exd4 19.Bxc8 Rxc8 20.Ng2 c5 21.Nf4 Nc7 *[21...cxb4? fails to 22.Ne6 Qf7 23.Nxf8 Kxf8 24.Qb2] 22.a3 Rfe8 23.c3 dxc3 24.Qxc3 Kh8 25.Qc4 Qe7 (Text cont. next col.)*

26.Re2 Qe5 27.Rae1 Re7 28.Kf1 Rg7 29.Nd5 Qe6 30.f4 Qf7 31.f5 g5 32.g4 h6 33.h3 [D]



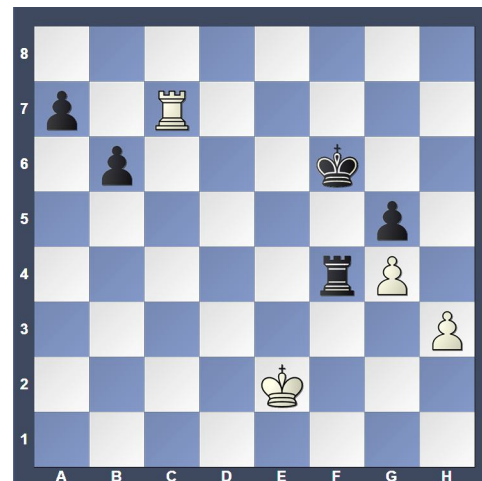
33...Kh7

34.Nxc7 Qxc4 35.dxc4 Rxc7 36.Rd2 cxb4 37.axb4 Rxc4 38.Rxd6 Rf7 39.e5 fxe5 *[39...Rxb4 40.e6 Re7 41.Rd7 Rxd7 42.exd7 Rf4+ 43.Ke2 Re4+ 44.Kf2] 40.Rxe5 Rxb4 41.Ree6 Kh8 42.Rxh6+ Kg8 43.Rdg6+ Rg7 44.Re6 [D]*



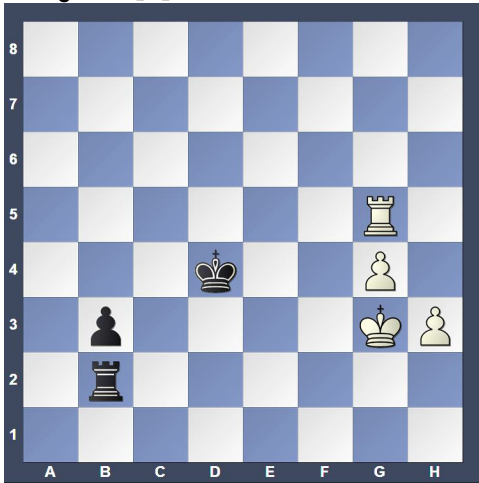
44...Kf8

45.f6 Rf4+ 46.Ke2 Rc7 47.Rh8+ Kf7 48.Rh7+ Kxe6 49.Rxc7 Kxf6 [D]

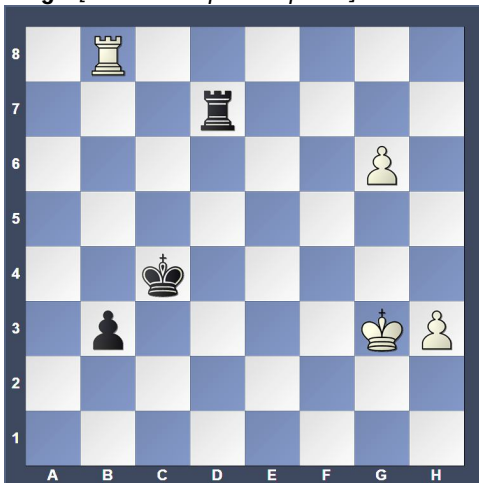


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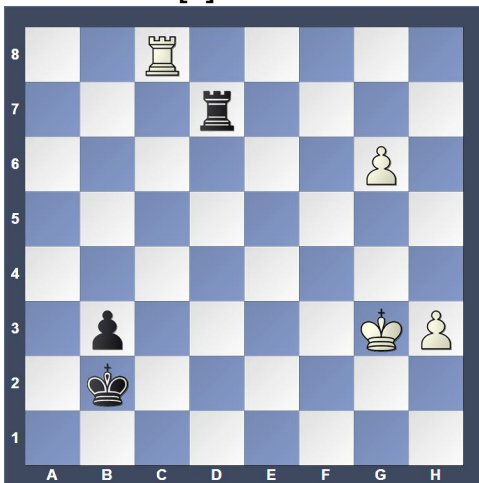
(Cont. from p. 1) 50.Rxa7 Rb4 51.Kf2 Rb3 52.Kg2 b5
53.Rb7 b4 54.Rb6+ Ke5 55.Rb5+ Kd4 56.Rxg5 Rb2+
57.Kg3 b3 [D]



[Is this a dangerous pawn?] 58.Rb5 Kc4 59.Rb8 Rc2 60.g5 Rd2
61.g6 [Pushes the passed pawn] 61...Rd7? [D]

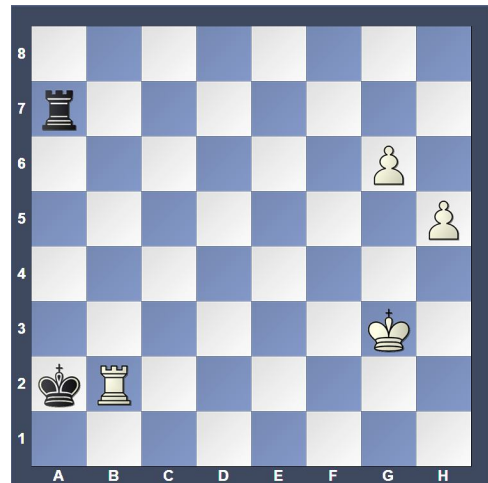


[Simply marches past the door to victory. (Olin -- Fritz overstates it. Black has missed a chance to a possible draw.)
61...Rd6 62.Kf4 Rxg6 63.h4=] 62.Rc8+ [62.h4 finishes off the opponent, 62...Kc3 63.h5] 62...Kb4 63.Rb8+ Kc3
64.Rc8+ Kb2? [D]

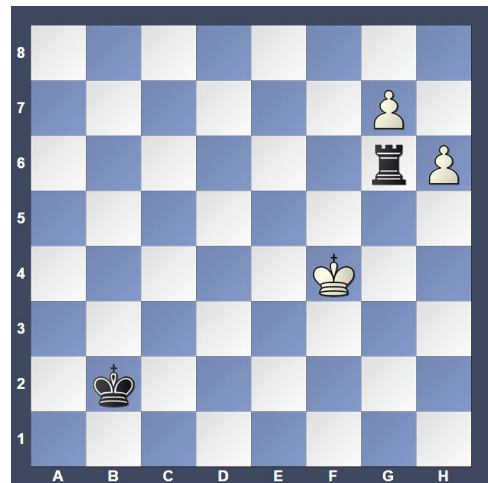


[Black has let it slip away. 64...Kd3= is just about the only chance.] (Olin -- Fritz is right, of course. Black has to attempt to go after White's pawns and abandon his pawn!) 65.h4
Ra7? [Black crumbles in face of a dire situation. 65...Ka3 66.h5 Rb7] (Text cont. next col.)

(Cont. from prev. col.) (Olin -- My analysis from here with Fritz making Black's moves, would be: 67.Rc1 b2 68.Rb1! Rg7 69.Kg4 Rc7 70.Kg5 Rc5+ 71.Kh6 and Fritz resigned the position!) 66.h5 Ka2 67.Rb8 [67.h6 and White can already relax 67...b2 68.Rb8 b1Q 69.Rxb1 Ra6] 67...b2 [67...Rg7 doesn't do any good 68.Ra8+ Kb1 69.Ra6] 68.Rxb2+!! [D]



68...Kxb2
69.h6 Ra6 70.g7 Rg6+ 71.Kf4 [D]



Black resigns. [71.Kf4 Kc1 72.h7 Rxg7 73.h8Q Rf7+ 74.Kg4+-] 1-0

(Olin – On a humorous note Don Edwards pushed over White's king when he resigned! I told him that he pushed over the wrong king! Gary Stevens was watching and he laughed! Then Don set my king upright and knocked his king over. Then we all laughed! It was about 11:45 PM. I think we were all tired. Several times during this game, I really felt my brain straining!)

Round: 7

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

White: Don Funk (1668)

Black: Greg Sulat (1368)

Date: 2/28/2014

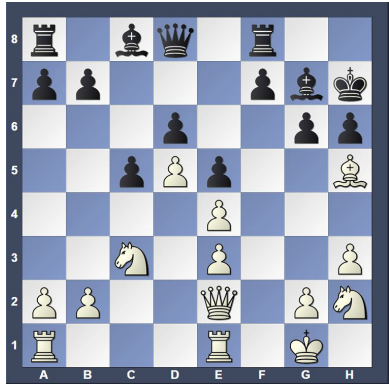
[E61: King's Indian: Early deviations for White, including Smyslov System] 1.d4 Nf6 2.e3 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.c4 d6
5.Be2 c5 6.0-0 Nbd7 7.Nc3 0-0 [D] (p.3)(Text cont. p.3)

Position after 7...0-0 (From p.2.)



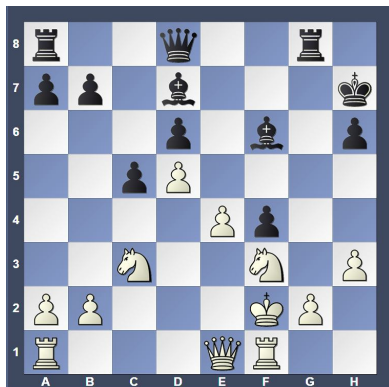
8.Re1 e5 9.d5 Ne8

[9...e4!? is worthy of consideration 10.Nd2 Re8=] 10.e4±
Nb6 11.Be3 h6 12.Qd2 Kh7 13.h3 Nf6 14.Nh2 Nh5
15.Bxh5 Nxc4 16.Qe2 Nxe3 17.fxe3[D]



[17.Bf3 Nxc2 18.Bxg2

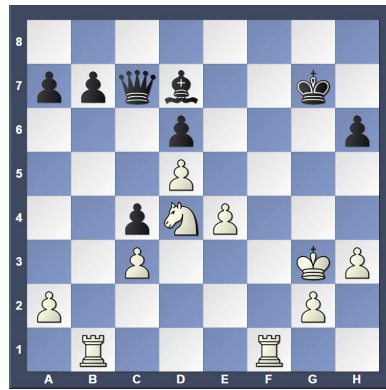
(18.Kxg2?! Qh4)] 17...gxh5 18.Qxh5 f5 19.Rf1 f4
20.exf4 exf4 21.Nf3 Bd7 22.Qh4 [22.a4 c4] 22...Bf6
[22...Qxh4!? 23.Nxh4 b5] 23.Qe1 Rg8 [23...Qb6] 24.Kf2
[D]



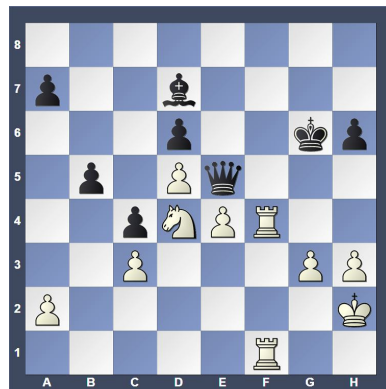
[Overlooking an easy

win. 24.e5 would save the game 24...dxe5 25.Nxe5 Bxe5
26.Qxe5 Bxh3 27.Rf2=] 24...Qb6 [24...Bd4+ ends the
debate 25.Nxd4 cxd4] 25.Qd2 Bxc3? [Lets it slip away.
25...Rg3 secures victory 26.Ke1 Rag8] 26.bxc3= [Inferior is
26.Qxc3 Rae8 27.Kg1 Rxe4] 26...c4+ 27.Nd4 Rg3?
[Releasing the pressure on the opponent. 27...Qc5= and
Black can hope to survive] 28.Rab1 Qc7 [28...Rag8!?
29.Rxb6 Rxg2+ 30.Kf3 Rxd2 31.Rxb7 Rg7 32.Kxf4 Rxa2]
29.Qxf4 Rag8 30.Qxg3 Rxg3 31.Kxg3 Kg7 [D] (Next
col.) [31...Bc8] 32.Rf3 Qd8 [32...Qb8 33.Rbf1 Qe8 34.Rf8
Qe5+ 35.R1f4 Qg5+ 36.Kf2] 33.Rbf1 [33.Rxb7 Kg6 34.Rxa7
Qe8] 33...Qg5+ 34.Kh2 Qe5+ [34...Qe7 35.Rf8! b5
36.Ra8] 35.Rf4 [35.Rg3+ Bg4 36.Rf5 Qxg3+ 37.Kxg3]
35...Kg6 36.g3 b5 [D] (Next col.) [36...Qe7] 37.Rf6+
[37.Rf7 Be8 38.Nc6 Bxf7 39.Nxe5+ dxe5 40.g4] 37...Qxf6
38.Rxf6+ Kxf6 39.Kg2 a5 40.a3 Ke5? [Black loses (Text
cont. next col.)

Position after 31...Kg7 (From prev.col.)

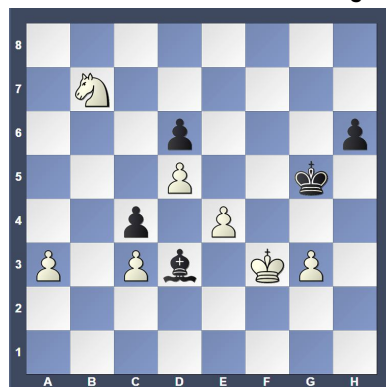


Position after 36...b5 (From prev.col.)



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col.) the upper hand. 40...b4 this is the best bet to save
the position 41.axb4 axb4] 41.Kf3 Bxh3 [41...h5 is the
last straw; 41...b4 42.Nc6+ Bxc6 (42...Kf6 43.cxb4 axb4
44.axb4 Bxc6 45.dxc6 c3 46.c7 c2 47.c8Q) 43.dxc6 bxa3
44.c7 a2 45.c8Q a1Q 46.Qf5#] 42.Nxb5 Bf1 43.Nd4
Bd3 44.Nc6+ Kf6 45.Nxa5 Kg5 46.Nb7 [D]



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Round: 7

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

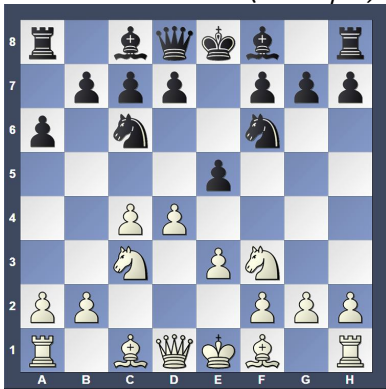
White: Eric Funk (2067)

Black: Matt Martello (1855)

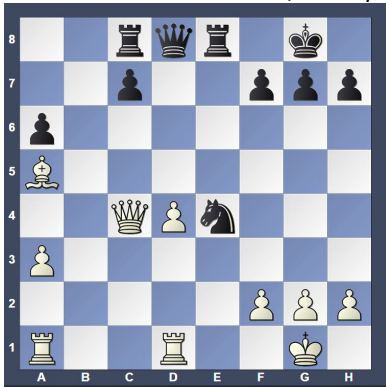
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[A28: English Opening: Four Knights Variation] 1.c4
e5 2.Nc3 Nc6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.e3 a6 5.d4 [D] (p.4)
5...exd4 6.Nxd4 Bb4 7.Nxc6 bxc6 8.Bd2 0-0 9.Be2
Rb8 10.Bf3 d5 11.0-0 Bf5 12.a3 Be7 13.cxd5 cxd5
[Not 13...Rxb2 14.e4 Bg6 15.Qc1; Worse is 13...Nxd5
14.e4 Nxc3 15.Bxc3 (15.bxc3?! Be6=) 15...Qxd1
16.Rfxd1] 14.b4 Re8 15.Qe2 d4 16.exd4 Bxb4
17.Qc4 Bxc3 18.Bxc3 Be4 19.Bxe4 Nxe4 20.Ba5
Rc8 21.Rfd1 [D] (p.4) 21...Qd6 22.f3 Nf6 23.Bb4
Qb6 24.Rab1 Qb5 25.Qxb5 axb5 26.d5 Red8 (Text
cont. p.4)

Position after 5.d4 (From p.3)

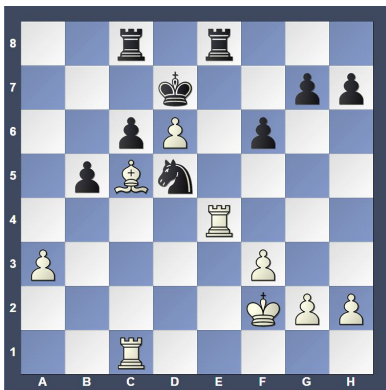


Position after 21.Rfd1 (From p.3)

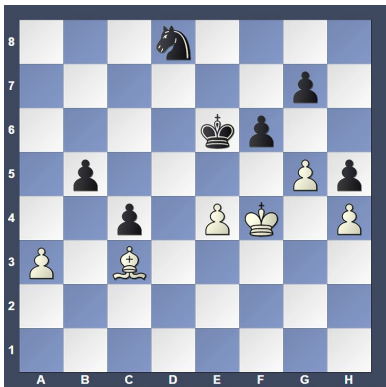


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27.d6 c6 28.Bc3 Nd5 29.Bb4 f6 30.Rbc1 Kf7 31.Bc5 Ke6 32.Re1+ Kd7 33.Re4 Re8 34.Kf2 [D]

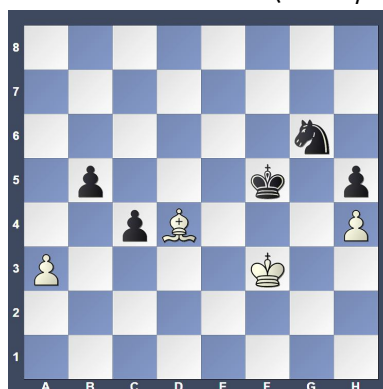


[34.Rh4 is the best option White has 34...h6 35.a4] 34...Rxe4+ 35.fxe4 Nf4 36.Rd1 Ne6 37.Bb4 c5 38.Bc3 Ra8 39.Bb2 Ra6 40.Ke3 Rxd6 41.Rxd6+ Kxd6 42.g4 c4 [42...Ng5!? keeps an even firmer grip 43.h4 Nf7 44.g5 fxg5 45.hxg5] 43.h4 h6 44.Bc3 Nd8 45.Kf4 Ke6 46.g5 h5 [D]

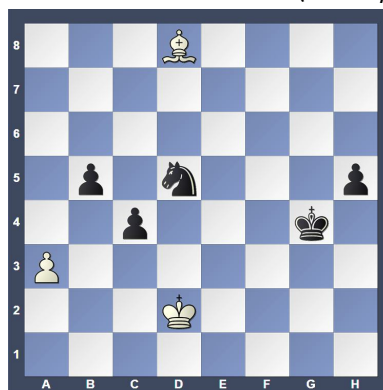


47.gxf6 gxf6 48.Bd4 Nc6 49.Be3? [49.Bc3] 49...Ne5 50.Bd4 Ng6+ 51.Kg3 f5 52.exf5+ Kxf5 53.Kf3 [D] (Next col.) 53...Nxh4+ 54.Ke3 Ng2+ 55.Kd2 Ke4 56.Bg1 Nf4 57.Bf2 Kf3 58.Bh4 Kg4 59.Bd8 Nd5 [D] (Next col.)

Position after 53.Kf3 (From prev.col.)



Position after 59...Nd5 (From prev.col.)



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Round: 7

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

White: Matt Martello (1855)

Black: Janos Fucsko (1734)

Date: 3/7/2014

[B06: Modern Defense] 1.e4 Nc6 2.Nf3 g6 3.d4 Bg7 4.Be2 d6 5.0-0 e5 6.d5 Nce7 7.Be3 [D]



7...f5 8.exf5 Bxf5 9.c4 Nf6 10.Qc1 h6 11.Nc3 g5 12.Bd1 Qd7 [There were better ways to keep up the pressure. 12...Bd3 this is the best bet to save the position 13.Be2 Bf5] 13.Ba4 c6 14.dxc6 [14.Rd1 might be the shorter path 14...Qc7 15.c5] bxc6 15.Rd1 Ng4 [15...Ne4 had to be tried to avoid defeat] 16.Bc5 [D] (p.5) 16...e4 17.Rxd6 Qc7 [17...Qb7 18.Nxe4! Decoy: e4 18...0-0 (18...Bxe4? 19.Re6 0-0-0 20.Rxe4 (20.Bxe7 Bxf3 21.gxf3 Ne5 22.Bxd8 Qd7))] 18.h3 Nxf2 19.Kxf2 [19.Nd5 secures the win 19...Nxd5 20.Bxc6+ (20.cxd5 0-0 21.dxc6 exf3 22.Kxf2 fxg2=; 20.Kxf2 is a useless try 20...0-0 21.cxd5 exf3 22.dxc6 fxg2=) 20...Qxc6 21.Rxc6] 19...exf3 20.Nd5 Nxd5? [Black crumbles in face of a dire situation. 20...Bd4+ 21.Bxd4 Qxd6 22.Bxh8 0-0-0] (Text cont. p.5)

Position after 16.Bc5 (From p.4)



(Cont. from p.4)

21.Bxc6+ [21.cxd5?! is easily refuted 21...0-0 22.dxc6 fxg2] 21...Kf7 22.Bxd5+ [21.cxd5?! is easily refuted 21...0-0 22.dxc6 fxg2]22... Be6 23.Bxe6+ Kg6 24.Qc2+ Kh5 25.Bg4+ Kh4 26.g3# [D]



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Round: 7

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

White: Janos Fucsko (1743)

Black: Yidong Chen (2027)

Date: 2/21/2014

[A37: Symmetrical English vs. ...g6: 4 Bg2 Bg7 5 Nf3]

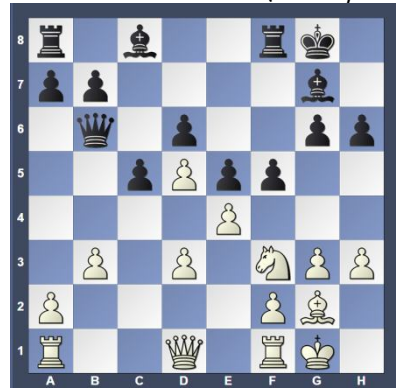
1.Nf3 c5 2.c4 Nc6 3.Nc3 g6 4.g3 Bg7 5.Bg2 e5 6.d3 Nge7 7.e4 0-0 8.0-0 d6 [D]



9.h3 f5 10.Bg5 h6

11.Bxe7 Nxe7 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.cxd5 Qb6 14.b3 [D] (Next col.) 14...Bd7 15.a4 Qb4 16.Nd2 Rf6 17.Rc1 a6 18.Nc4 Raf8 19.Rb1 b5 20.axb5 axb5 21.Nb6 Be8 22.Ra1? [22.Nc8 R8f7 23.Ra1 f4 24.gxf4 exf4] 22...Qd4 [22...fxe4 23.Bxe4 c4] 23.Nc8 fxe4 24.dxe4 Rxf2 [D] (Next col.) 25.Qxd4 Rxf1+ [25...cxd4?? Black will regret his greed 26.Rxf2 Rxf2 27.Kxf2] 26.Bxf1 exd4 [Instead of 26...cxd4 27.Nxd6 b4 28.Ra7] 27.Nxd6 [27.Ra6!? should be considered] 27...d3 (Text cont.col.)

Position after 14.b3 (From prev.col.)

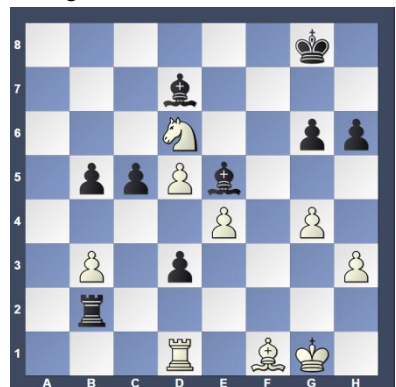


Position after 24...Rxf2 (From prev.col.)



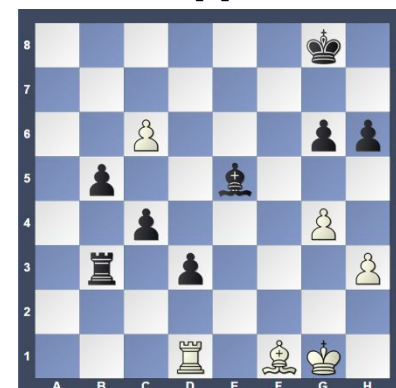
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prev.col.)28.Rd1 Bd4+ 29.Kg2 Rf2+ 30.Kh1 Bd7 31.g4? [31.e5 Bxe5 32.Ne4 Rxf1+ 33.Rxf1] 31...Be5 32.Kg1 [32.Nb7 c4 33.Bxd3 c3] 32...Rb2 [D]



[32...Rf3 seems even

better 33.Rxd3 Rxd3 34.Bxd3 Bxd6 35.Be2] 33.Nb7 c4 34.Na5 Bc3 35.Nc6 [35.bxc4 Bxa5 36.Bxd3 bxc4 37.Bxc4 h5] 35...Rxb3 36.e5 [36.Bxd3 is one last hope 36...cxd3 37.Rxd3 Rb1+ 38.Kg2] 36...Bxc6 37.dxc6 Bxe5 [D]



White resigns 0-1

(Text cont. p.6)

(Cont. from p.5)

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.



Jackie Brown playing an offhand game with Matt Forstater.



A view of the spacious playing hall at St. John's UCC



Joe Kennedy playing Eric Funk in the 2012 Winter Robin.

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!”



Doug Kern playing Bob Kampia in the 2012 Winter Robin.



Greg Sulat playing Bill Champion in the 2013 Joseph J. Kennedy Memorial. Don Funk playing George Murphy in background.

This concludes games from the NPCC 2014 Winter Robin.

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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, “Starbucks”, 10 North Main Street, Doylestown

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

Wednesday evenings 7:30 to 10:00 PM, “Christ Reformed Church at Indian Creek” located at 171 Church Road (intersection with Cowpath Road), Telford, PA. (Temporarily suspended until after Easter)