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This issue will feature games played in July and August at NPCC and elsewhere.

Once again I must reiterate the purpose of these newsletters is to include as many games as possible by NPCC players irregardless of the strength of the participants.

Thanks to all for submitting games!

Games from the NPCC 2016 July

Swiss Open Tournament:

Extra Game #2

Submitted by Doug with his comments and selected Fritz comments [shown thusly].

White: Matt Martello (1965)

Black: Doug Kern (1975)

Date: 8/5/2016

[B13: Caro-Kann: Exchange Variation and

Panov-Botvinnik Attack] 1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.Bd3 Nc6 5.c3 Qc7 [D]



(Doug - This prevents the immediate 6.Bf4) 6.Nf3 Bg4 (Doug - Black has no development concerns - he has equalized.) 7.Be3 Nf6 8.0-0 e6 9.Nbd2 Bd6 10.Bg5 [D] (Next col.) (Doug - I believe Matt either played too fast or just missed this tactic. 10. Qc2 is equal.) [10.h3 Bh5 11.Rc1 (11.Qc2 0-0 12.Rfe1 Rac8 13.a3 Bg6 14.Bxg6 hxg6 15.Bg5 ½-½ (15) Hug,M (2257)-Dittmar,P (2382) Bad Woerishofen 2009) 11...0-0 12.c4 dxc4 13.Rxc4 Rfd8 14.Qc2 Bg6 15.Bxg6 hxg6 etc...Upton,T (2256)-Ledger ,A (2450) Cork 2005 0-1 (42); (Text cont. next col.)

Position after 10.Bg5 (From prev. col.)



(Cont. from prev.col.) Better is 10.Qc2!?! and White has air to breathe] 10...Bxh2+! [Deflection: f3] 11.Kh1 [11.Nxh2 Bxd1 Deflection Pinning.] 11...Bf4 12.Bxf6 [12.Bxf4!? Qxf4 13.Kg1] 12...gxf6 13.Qc2 h5 [D]



(Doug - 12.Bxf6 opened lines to white's king. With the two bishops, black must work quickly to further open the kingside.) 14.g3 (Doug - Not necessary, as it gives Black a target with h4 coming.) [14.a4 h4] 14...Bxd2 15.Nxd2 h4 16.Kg2 hxd3 17.Rh1 Ke7 (Doug - 17. ... 0-0-0 is safer and best.) [Better is 17...0-0-0 18.fxd3 f5] 18.f3?? [An oversight. But White was lost anyway.] [Better is 18.fxd3 Rag8 19.Rxh8 Rxh8 20.Re1] 18...Qf4 (Doug - If 19.fxd3, Qf3#) (Olin - Question: 19...Qf3+, Why not 20.NxQf3 -- Where is the mate??) (Olin - Aha -- Typo -- Doug must mean 19...Qf2#!) 19.Raf1 [19.fxd3 Qf2#0: 19.Rae1 hoping against hope 19...Rxh1 20.Rxh1] 19...Bh3+! [D] (Next col.) (Text cont. next col.)

Position after 19...Bh3+! (From prev. col.)



(Cont. from prev.col.) (Doug - Black must draw out the white king to play Rh8 with check, followed by Rh2+. White's king is boxed in.) [Better than holding on to the material.] 20.Rxh3 Rxh3 21.Kxh3 Rh8+ 22.Kg2 [22.Bh7 cannot change what is in store for ? 22...f5 23.Kg2 Rxh7 24.Rh1 Rxh1 25.Nf1 Qh4 26.f4 Qh3+ 27.Kf3 g2+ 28.Ng3 g1Q 29.Qf2 Qg4+ 30.Ke3 Q4xg3+ 31.Kd2 Q1xf2#] 22...Rh2+ 23.Kg1 Qe3+ 24.Rf2 Qxf2# [D]



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Round: 3

Submitted by Mike with his comments and selected Fritz comments [shown thusly].

White: Joe Snyder (1748)

Black: Michael O'Gara (1622)

Date: 7/22/2016

[A48: 1 d4 Nf6 2 Nf3 g6: Torre, London and Colle Systems] (Mike - A very wild game, though not played very precise, was a lot of fun (Text cont. p.2)

(Cont. from p. 1) over the board.

Comments with select Fritz

recommendations.) 1.d4 Nf6 2.Bf4 g6 3.e3 Bg7 4.h3 O-O 5.Nf3 d6 6.Nbd2 b6 7.c3 Bb7 8.Bd3 c5 [D]



9.g4?? (Mike - A little over ambitious I think) [9.0-0!= might be a viable alternative; 9.0-0 Nbd7=] 9...Nc6 10.a3? [10.dxc5 bxc5 11.e4 Qc7] 10...Re8 (Mike - e5 immediately is best.) [10...e5 11.Bg3 cxd4 12.cxd4 exd4 13.0-0] 11.Be2? [11.Bg5 d5] 11...e5 12.dxe5 dxe5 13.Bh2 e4 14.Ng5 [D]



14...Nxg4?? (Mike - Ugh! This is what happens when you are too dogmatic about things like pawn structure.. Sacrifices material. allows the opponent back into the game.) [Better is 14...h6 Would have given Black a clear advantage. 15.Nxf7 Kxf7 16.Qb3+ Nd5-+; Better is 14...h6 15.Nxf7 Kxf7 16.Qb3+ Re6] 15.Nxf7 Nxe3?? [Black traps the enemy king in the center] [15...Kxf7 16.hxg4 Kg8 17.Qb3+ Kh8 18.Nc4+] 16.Qb3 [Better is 16.Nxd8 and White takes home the point 16...Nxd1 17.Bc4+ Kf8 18.Bd6+ Ne7 19.Ne6+ Kg8 20.Nc7+ Kh8 21.Kxd1] 16...Ng2+ 17.Kf1 [White has a mate threat.] 17...Qf6? [17...Ne3+ 18.fxe3 Rf8 19.Ke1 Qh4+ 20.Kd1 Rxf7 21.Rf1+] 18.Nh6+?? [D] (Next col.) [Forfeits the advantage.. Black is in double check.] [18.Nd6+ Kh8 19.Qf7 (19.Nxe8? Leads to nothing. 19...Rxe8 20.Kxg2 Ne5 21.Bxe5 Rxe5) (Text cont. next col.)]

Position after 18.Nh6+?? (From prev. col.)



(Cont. from prev. col.) 19...Ne3+ 20.Kg1 Qg5+ 21.Bg3; Better is 18.Nd6+ Kh8 19.Qf7 Ne3+ 20.Kg1+ 18...Kh8 19.Nf7+ (Mike - Always repeat.) 19...Kg8 20.Nxe4?? (Mike - White plays for the win. Nd6+ from 18. is still the best continuation) [Throws away the game.] [Better is 20.Nd6+ Kh8 21.Qf7 Ne3+ 22.Kg1+] 20...Ne3+ 21.Ke1 Qe6 [D]



(Mike - Just trying to bail out thinking I was worse. Rxe4 and after Nd6+, c4 or Re6 refutes the discovered check.) [Better is 21...Rxe4 and Black has reached his goal 22.fxe3 Qxf7 23.Qxf7+ Kxf7 24.Rf1+ Ke7] 22.Qxe6 [White has a mate threat.] 22...Ng2+?? (Mike - The wrong zwischenzug. The knight/rook needs to be under direct attack by the b7 bishop.) [Hands over the advantage to the opponent.] [Better is 22...Nc2+ 23.Kd2 Rxe6µ; Better is 22...Nc2+ is the best chance 23.Kd2 Rxe6] 23.Kf1 Rxe6 24.Nfg5 Rxe4 25.Nxe4 Ne5 26.Bxe5 Bxe4?? [D] (Next col.) [Leading to a quick end.] [26...Bxe5 27.Kxg2 Bxe4+ 28.Bf3 Bxf3+ 29.Kxf3] 27.Bc4+ [Better is 27.Bxg7 and White has reached his goal 27...Kxg7 28.f3 Ne3+ 29.Kf2] 27...Kh8 28.Bxg7+ Kxg7 (Mike - Down the exchange still thinking I

Position after 26...Bxe4?? (From prev. col.)



(Cont. from prev. col.) might be able to hold the draw.] 29.Rg1 Nh4 30.Rg4 [30.Rd1!? h5 31.Rd7+ Kh6] 30...Nf3 31.Ke2?? [Better is 31.Rf4 Nh2+ 32.Ke2] 31...Re8 [D]



32.Bd3?? [Gives the opponent new chances.] [Better is 32.Rxe4 and White is still in the game 32...Rxe4+ 33.Kxf3 Rxc4 34.Rd1= (A tough choice given how good white's position was.)] 32...Bd5+ 33.Kf1 [33.Re4 Rxe4+ 34.Bxe4 Bxe4; Not 33.Kd1 Bb3+ with Re1# to follow.] 33...Nh2+ 34.Kg1 Nxg4 35.hxg4 Bf3 36.Bb5 Re7 [36...Re4 37.Kf1] 37.g5 [Better is 37.a4] 37...Re4?? [Black has a mate threat.] [Better is 37...Re5 Black clearly has the better chances 38.Bf1 Rxcg5+ 39.Kh2 Kf6] 38.Bd7?? [Last chance to save the game.] [Better is 38.Kh2 Bh5 39.Rg1] 38...Rh4 [D]



[38...Rh4 39.Bh3 Rxh3 40.Re1 Rh1#; 38...Rh4 39.Bh3 Rxh3 40.b4 Rh1#]

Round: 4

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

White: Donald Funk (1600)

Black: Joseph Mucerino (2102)

Date: 7/29/2016

[A03: Bird's Opening with 1...d5] 1.f4 d5

2.e3 c5 3.d4 Nf6 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.Ne5

g6 6.Be2 Bg7 7.O-O O-O 8.Nd2 [D]



8...cxd4 9.Nxc6 bxc6 10.exd4 Qb6
11.c3 Bf5 12.g4 [D]



12...Bc8 13.g5 Ne8 14.Nf3 Nd6

15.Ne5 Rd8 [15...f6!? 16.Nf3 fxg5

17.Nxg5 c5 18.dxc5 Qxc5+ 19.Kh1 h6]

16.Qb3 Bb7 [D]



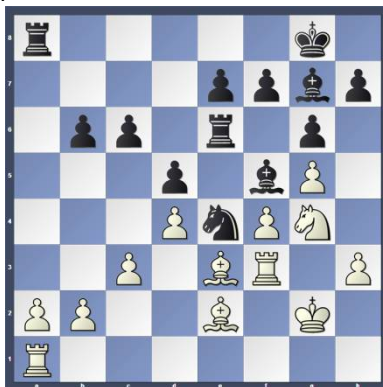
17.Qxb6 axb6 18.Be3 Ne4 [The knight
dominates.] 19.Rf3 Rd6 20.Kg2 Bc8

21.h3 Bf5 [The bishop likes it on f5]

22.Ng4 Re6! [D] (Next col.) (Joe -

Black has had a slight advantage for all of
the game, but it has been difficult to
capitalize. Black's last move sets up some
(Text cont. next col.)

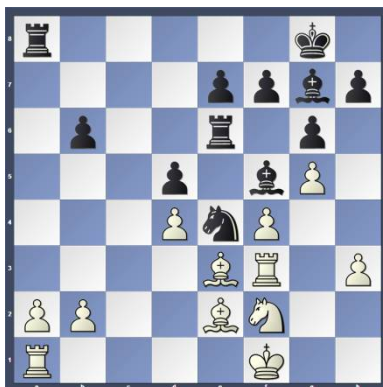
**Position after 22...Re6! (From
prev. col.)**



(Cont. from prev. col.) tactical
possibilities.) 23.Kf1?! (Joe - Better

was 23.a3.) 23...c5 24.Nf2

[24.a4!?] cxd4 25.cxd4 [D]



25...Ra4?! (Joe - Stockfish7 prefers

25...Nd6.) [25...Nd6 26.a3] 26.b3?

(Joe - Returning the favor. 26.Bb5

was best.) [Better is 26.Bb5!? Ra7

27.Nxe4 dxe4 28.Rg3] 26...Bxd4

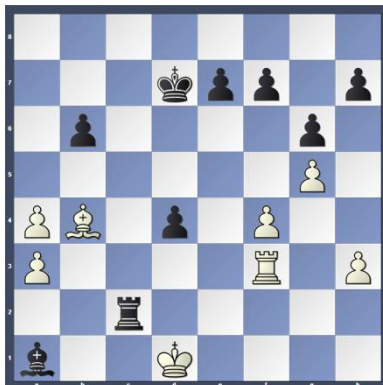
27.Nxe4 Bxa1 28.bxa4 Bxe4

29.Rg3 d4 30.Bd2 Rc6 31.Bf3

Bxf3 32.Rxf3 Rc2 33.Bb4 Kf8

34.a3 Ke8 35.Ke1 Kd7 36.Kd1

[D]



36...Rc7?! (Joe - The computer did
not like this, preferring 36...Bg2,

keeping the king cut off.) 37.Kd2

Ke6 38.Rf1 [38.Kd3!? Kd5 39.Rf2]

38...Bc3+ 39.Kd3 Kf5 40.Rc1

Rd7 41.Rf1 Rc7 [Twofold

repetition.] 42.Rc1 Kxf4 [D] (Next
col.)(Text cont. next col.)

**Position after 42...Kxf4 (From
prev. col.)**



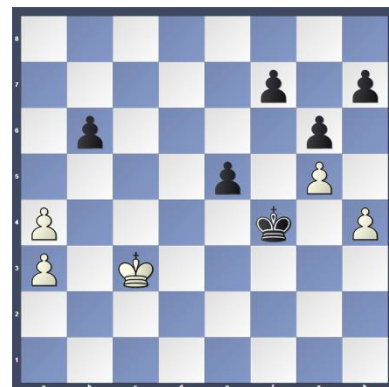
(Cont. from prev. col.) 43.Bxc3??

(Joe - I would have bet a ton of
money that Don was going to play
43.Rf1+. The text loses instantly.).
simply worsens the situation] [Better

is 43.Rf1+ Kxg5 44.Rxf7 Bxb4

45.axb4] 43...Rxc3+ 44.Rxc3

dx3 45.Kxc3 e5 46.h4 [D]



(Joe - and white resigned.) 0-1

Round: 4

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

White: Olin Mastin (1500)

Black: Tom DiMarco (1544)

Date: 7/29/2016

[A07: Réti Opening: New York and
Capablanca Systems] 1.Nf3 d5 2.g3
Nf6 3.Bg2 Nc6 4.O-O e5 5.d3 Bc5
6.Nbd2 [D]



6...O-O 7.Re1?? [7.e3 Qe7] 7...Re8

[Better is 7...Bxf2+ and (Text cont.
p.4)

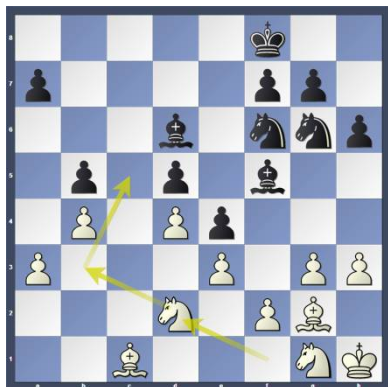
(Cont. from p.3) Black has prevailed
 8.Kh1 (8.Kxf2 0 Ng4+ 5 9.Kf1 14 (9.Kg1 0
 Ne35) 9...Ne3+9) 8...Bxe1 9.Qxe1 e4
 10.dxe4 dxe4] **8.Nf1 h6 9.h3 Be6**
10.a3 Qd7 11.Kh2? [D]



[11.b4 Bd6 12.g4 e4] **11...Rad8??** [Gives
 the opponent counterplay.] [Better is
 11...Bxf2 and Black wins 12.Be3 Bxe1
 13.Qxe1 d4] **12.e3 e4 13.Ng1 Bf5**
 [White has a cramped position.] **14.d4**
Bd6 15.c3 Ne7 16.Bd2 Ng6 17.Kh1
c5 18.b3 cxd4 19.cxd4 Rc8 20.Qe2
Rc2 21.b4 [D]



21...Rec8 22.Rec1 Qa4 23.Qd1 Qb3
24.Rcb1 [24.Rxc2!? Rxc2 25.Rc1]
24...Qd3 25.Qe2 Qc4 [25...Bd7!?]
26.Qxc4 R8xc4 27.Rc1 b5 28.Rxc2
Rxc2 29.Rc1 [29.Ne2 Ne7] **29...Rxc1**
 [Better is 29...Ra2!? 30.Rc3 Bd7]
30.Bxc1 [A minor pieces endgame
 occurred.] **30...Kf8 31.Nd2 [D]**



[Begins the manoeuvre Nf1-d2-b3-c5]
31...Ke7 32.Nb3 Kd7 33.Nc5+ Kc6
34.Ne2 Nd7 35.Nc3 Nb6 [D] (Next
 col.) (Text cont. next col.)

Position after 35...Nb6 (From
 prev. col.)



[35...Nxc5 36.bxc5 Bc7=] **36.a4??**
 [Allows the opponent back into the
 game.] [Better is 36.Bf1 Nc4 37.a4±]
36...bxa4 [36...Nxa4!? 37.N5xa4
 Bxb4] **37.b5+ Kc7 38.N3xa4 Nxa4**
39.Nxa4 Bd7 40.Bf1 a6 41.b6+
[D]

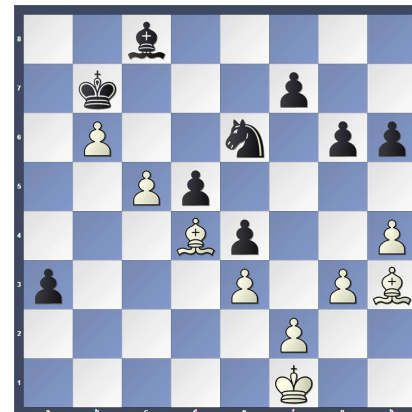


[A strong pawn.] [Better is 41.Nc3
 would allow White to play on
 41...Bxb5 42.Nxb5+ axb5 43.Bxb5=]
41...Kb7 42.Nc5+ Bxc5 43.dxc5
Nf8 [43...Bb5!? 44.Kg1 Ne5] **44.Bb2**
Ne6 45.Bd4?? [A comfortable
 square for the white bishop.] [Better
 is 45.Ba3= is a viable option.] **45...g6**
 [45...Bb5!? makes it even easier for
 Black 46.Bxb5 axb5 47.Bc3 Nxc5
 48.Kg2] **46.h4 Bc8 [D]**

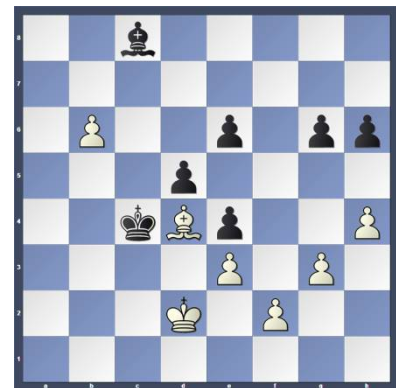


[46...Nxd4 47.exd4 Bb5 48.c6+ Bxc6]
47.Bh3?? [Better is 47.Be2 Kc6
 48.g4] **47...a5** [47...Nxd4 and Black
 can (Text cont. next col.)

(Cont. from prev. col.) already
 relax 48.Bf1 Nb3 49.Kg2] **48.Kg1??**
 [48.Bxe6 fxe6 49.Kg2 Kc6=] **48...a4**
 [48...Nxd4 49.Bf1 a4 50.exd4 a3]
49.Kf1?? [49.Bxe6 fxe6 50.Kf1 Kc6=]
49...a3 [D]



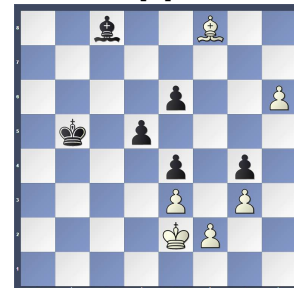
[Better is 49...Nxd4 makes sure
 everything is clear 50.Bxc8+ Kxc8
 51.exd4 a3] **50.Bxe6** [White forks:
 d5+f7] **50...fxe6** [Opposite colored
 bishops appeared.] **51.Ke1 Kc6**
52.Kd2 a2 53.Kc2 a1Q 54.Bxa1
Kxc5 55.Bd4+ Kc4 56.Kd2 [D]



½-½ (Olin - End of game. Variations
 played out with Fritz shows White
 has good winning chances. Probably
 should not have offered draw!)

For instance:

56...Kb5 57.Ke2 g5 58.h5 g4
 59.Bg7 Kxb6 60.Bxh6 Kc5 61.Bf8+
 Kb5 62.h6 [D]



(Analysis Diagram)

Round: 4

Submitted by Bob with his comments
 and selected Fritz comments [shown
 thusly].

(Text cont. p.5)

(Cont. from p.4)

White: Gary Stevens (1222)

Black: Bob Pisciotta (1417)

Date: 7/29/2016

[D00: 1 d4 d5: Unusual lines] **1.d4 d5**
2.e3 Nf6 3.Bd3 e6 4.f4 c5 5.c3 c4
6.Bc2 Nbd7 7.Nf3 Bd6 8.0-0 0-0 [D]



9.Ne5 Qc7 10.Nd2 Re8 11.Ndf3 Ne4
12.Ng5 [Better is 12.Bxe4!? is interesting
12...dxe4 13.Ng5] **12...Nxcg5 13.fxcg5**
f5 14.g6?? [With this move White loses
his initiative.] [Better is 14.gxf6!? would
allow White to play on 14...Nxf6 15.e4=]
14...h6 15.Qh5 Nf6 16.Qh3 [D]



16...Bxe5 17.dxe5 Qxe5 18.Ba4 Bd7
19.Bxd7 Nxd7 20.e4 Qxe4 21.Bf4
Qd3 22.Qh4 Nf8 23.Rad1 Nxcg6
24.Rxd3 [Better is 24.Qf2 Qe4 25.Rd4
Nxf4 26.Rxe4] **24...Nxcg6 25.Rg3 Kh7**
26.Be5 Ng6 27.Bd4 [D]



[27.Re1 Nxe5 28.Rxe5 Rad8] **27...e5**
28.Bc5 [28.Bf2 cannot change what is in
store for ? 28...Nf4 29.Rf3 d4] **28...b6**
29.Ba3 Nf4 (Text cont. next col.)

(Cont. from prev. col.) **30.Re3 g6**

31.Bd6 [31.b3 doesn't change
anything anymore 31...Kg7]

31...Nd3 32.Ba3 Nc5 [D]



[Black prepares the advance e4]
[32...f4 makes it even easier for Black
33.Re2] **33.Rfe1 e4 34.Rd1 Nd3**
35.b3 cxb3 36.axb3 Rec8
[36...Rac8 and Black can already relax
37.Rexd3 exd3 38.Rxd3 Re1+ 39.Kf2]
37.c4 [37.Rxd3 is the last straw
37...exd3 38.Rxd3] **37...dxc4**
38.bxc4 Rxc4 39.Be7 Rc1 [D]



(Bob: This move is a mistake because
white can play 40. Rxd3 and white
wins the knight. But white played
40.Rxc1 One blunder begets another
blunder.) [Better is 39...Rac8!? might
be the shorter path 40.Rf1]
40.Rxc1?? [Causes more grief.]
[Better is 40.Rexd3 Rac8 41.Ba3
Rxd1+ 42.Rxd1] **40...Nxc1 41.Re1**
Nd3 42.Re3 Rc8 43.h3 a5 44.g4
f4 45.Rxe4 Re8 [45...Rc1+ seems
even better 46.Kh2 Rc2+ 47.Kg1]
46.Rd4 Ne5 47.Bd6 [47.Rxf4 the
last chance for counterplay 47...Rxe7
48.Ra4] **47...Nf3+ [D]** (Next col.)
[47...Nf3+ 48.Kf2 Nxd4] **0-1**

Round: 5

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

White: Joseph Mucerino (2107)

Black: Michael O'Gara (1741)

Date: 8/5/2016

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**Position after 47...Nf3+ (From
prev. col.)**



(Cont. from prev. col.) [A48: 1 d4
Nf6 2 Nf3 g6: Torre, London and Colle
Systems] (Joe - Needing only a draw
to win the tournament and a nice
prize, I was not going to take any
chances.) **1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.Bg5**
Bg7 4.Nbd2 0-0 5.e4 d6 6.c3
Nbd7 7.Bc4 [D]



7...c5?! (Joe - A pretty common
error that gives white the initiative.
White only has a slight edge after
7...e5.) [7...c6 8.0-0 (8.Bb3 Qc7 9.0-0
b5 10.Re1 e5 11.a4 Bb7 12.axb5 cxb5
13.h3 Rfe8 14.d5 Nc5 15.Bc2 a5
16.Nh2 Nh5 17.Ng4 f6 18.Be3 Bf8
19.Rc1 Bc8 20.b4 Nd7 21.Bd3 1-0
(21) Bujisho,B (2418)-Choisy,M (2168)
Condom 2010) 8...h6 9.Bh4 Qc7
10.Re1 Nb6 11.Bb3 Nh5 12.e5 d5
13.Bc2 Be6 14.Rc1 Rfe8 15.Bb1 a5
16.h3 Bf8 17.Nh2 Ng7 18.g4 Bc8
19.f4 e6 20.Nhf1 Be7 21.Bg3 Qd8
22.Ne3 Bonin,J (2351)-Perelshteyn,E
(2551) Ledyard 2008 ½-½ (32)]
8.e5 dxe5 9.dxe5 Ne8 [9...Ng4
10.e6 Nde5 11.exf7+ Kh8 12.h3 Nxc4
13.Nxc4 Qxd1+ 14.Rxd1 Nf6 15.Nce5
Be6 16.a3 Bxf7 17.Nxf7+ Rxf7 18.0-0
Rff8 19.Rfe1 Rfe8 20.a4 Kg8 21.a5
Rac8 22.Bxf6 Bxf6 23.Rd7 Rb8
24.Red1 Greenfeld,A (2305)-
Gutman,L (2450) Beersheba 1982 1-0
(65)] **10.e6 fxe6 11.Bxe6+ Kh8**
12.Qe2 Nef6 13.0-0-0 Qc7 14.h4
Nb6 15.h5 [D] (p.6) (Text cont.
p.6)

Position after 15.h5 (From p.5)



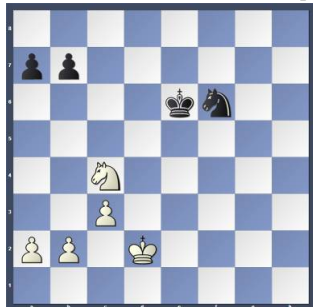
(Cont. from p. 5) (Joe - Stockfish 7 says white is winning, but it was not clear to me exactly how to proceed, so I decided to lock up the money.) (½-½)

(Joe - Let's continue the game with Stockfish 7's moves:)

(Olin - Note: I ran the Stockfish moves thru my Fritz 15 program for a comparison of the two engines. The Fritz comments are [shown thusly]. Also note that the Stockfish moves are not shown in boldface and the diagrams are smaller.)
15...Bxe6 16.Qxe6 gxh5 17.Ne4 Qc8 18.Qxc8 Raxc8 19.Bxf6 Bxf6 20.Rxh5 c4 21.Rdh1 Rf7 22.Nfg5 Bxg5+ 23.Nxg5 Rxf2 24.Rxh7+ Kg8 25.g4 Rf6 26.Rxe7 Rcf8 27.Rd1 Rf1 [D]

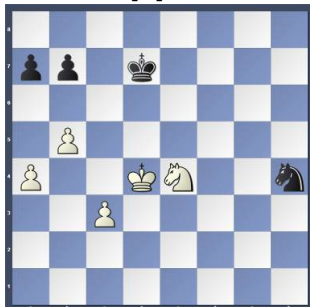


28.Red7?? [Forfeits the clear win.] [Better is 28.Rxb7 keeps an even firmer grip 28...Rxd1+ 29.Kxd1] 28...Nd5 [Better is 28...Nxd7 and Black has triumphed 29.Ne4 Ne5] 29.Ne4 [Better is 29.R7xd5 secures victory 29...b6 30.Ne4] 29...Ne3 30.Rxf1 Rxf1+ 31.Kd2 Nxg4 32.Ke2 [Better is 32.Rxb7!? Rf4 33.Nd6] 32...Rf4 33.Nd2 Rf2+ 34.Ke1 Rf7 35.Rxf7 Kxf7 36.Nxc4 Ke6 37.Kd2 Nf6 [D]

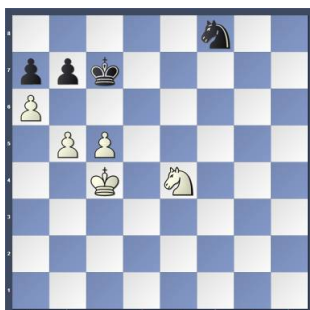


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(Cont. from prev. col.) 38.Kd3 Nd5 39.Kd4 Nf4 40.a4 Ne2+ 41.Ke4 Ng3+ 42.Kd3 Nh5? [42...Kd5 43.Ne3+ Kc6 44.b4] 43.Kd4 [43.Na5!? and White can already relax 43...b6 44.Nc6 a5] 43...Nf4 44.Nd2 [Better is 44.Na5!? makes it even easier for White 44...b6 45.Nc6 a5] 44...Kd7 45.Ne4 Ng2 46.b4 Nh4 47.b5 [D]

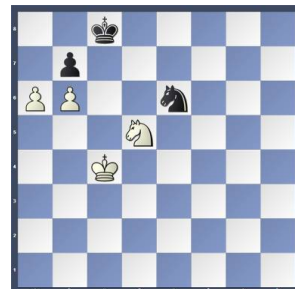


47...Nf3+ 48.Kd5 Nh4 49.a5 Ng2 50.c4 Nf4+ 51.Kd4 Ne2+ 52.Ke5 [52.Ke3 seems even better 52...Ng1] 52...Nc1 53.Kd5 Ne2 54.c5 Nf4+ 55.Kd4 Kc7 56.a6?? [Gives away a clear win.] [56.Nf6 keeps an even firmer grip 56...Ne6+ 57.Kd5 Nf4+ 58.Kc4 Kc8] 56...Ne6+?? [56...bxa6 57.bxa6 Kc6 58.Nd6=] 57.Kc4?? [Simply marches past the door to victory.] [Better is 57.Ke5 might be the shorter path 57...Nd8 58.axb7 Nxb7 59.Kd4] 57...Nf8?? [D]



(Joe - Stockfish 7 announced mate in 16.) [Spoils everything] [Better is 57...bxa6 was a good chance to save the game 58.bxa6 Kc6=] 58.Nc3 [58.b6+ Kb8 59.axb7 Kxb7 60.Nd6+ Kb8 61.b7 Kc7 62.c6 Ne6 63.Ne8+ Kb8 64.Kd5 Nc7+ 65.Nxc7 Kxc7 66.Kc4 Kb8 67.Kb5 Kc7 68.Ka6 Kxc6 69.b8Q Kd5 70.Kxa7 Kd4 71.Kb6 Ke4 72.Qg3 Kd4 73.Qe1 Kd3 74.Kc5 Kc2 75.Kc4 Kb2 76.Qd1 Ka2 77.Kc3 Ka3 78.Qb3#] 58...Ne6 59.b6+! [Forging ahead of the opponent.] 59...axb6 60.Nd5+ Kb8 61.cxb6 [Better is 61.Nxb6 bxa6 62.Kd5] 61...Kc8?? [D] (Next col.) [Overlooking an easy win] (Text cont. next col.)

Position after 61...Kc8?? (From prev. col.)



(Cont. from prev. col.) [Better is 61...bxa6 is the best chance 62.Kb4 Kb7=] 62.Ne7+ Kb8 63.Kd5 Nc7+ [Better is 63...Nf8±] 64.bxc7+ Kxc7 65.Kc5 Kd7 [Better is 65...bxa6 66.Nd5+ Kc8±] 66.a7 Kxe7 67.a8Q Kf6 68.Qf8+ Ke6 69.Qf4 Ke7 70.Qf5 Kd8 71.Qf7 Kc8 72.Qd7+ [D]



[72.Qd7+ Kxd7 73.Kd5; 72.Kb5 b6 73.Kc6 Kd8 74.Qd7#] 1-0

This concludes this issue. Many more games to follow in subsequent issues.

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, PA

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

Daily, Monday thru Friday 8 to 4, Encore Experiences, (Senior Center), 312 Alumni Avenue, Harleysville, PA

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. (**Note:** Suspended for the summer. Announcement will be issued when it reopens.)

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!"

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