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Newsletter of the North Penn Chess Club of Lansdale, PA – Winter 2016, Part 1

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This and the next few issues will feature games played in the 2016 NPCC Winter Robin. I intend to publish the games in a chronological sequence as much as possible.

Thanks to all for submitting games!

## Games from the NPCC 2016 Winter Robin Tournament: Round: 1

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

White: Shawn Curtis (1704)

Black: Joe Mucerino (2073)

Date: 1/8/2016

[B21: Sicilian: 2.f4 and Morra Gambit]

(\*Indicates symbols inserted by Joe)

1.e4 d5 2.e5 ?!\* (Joe - Capturing is better. The text leads into a good version of the French Defense for black, because he is able to get his light squared bishop ((called the "bad bishop" in the French)) outside of the pawn chain quickly and easily.) 2...c5 3.f4 Nc6 4.Nf3 Bg4 5.Bb5 Qb6 6.Bxc6+ Qxc6 7.h3 Bf5 8.Nh4 Bd7 9.O-O Nh6 10.f5 [D]



10...O-O-0 ?!\* (Joe - Rybka prefers 10...g5 or 10...g6. I thought about those at the board, and I forgot why I rejected them.) 11.d3 g6 12.f6 exf6 13.Rxf6 Be6 14.Bg5 Bg7 15.Qd2 [15.Rf2!?= should be considered] 15...Nf5 16.Qa5 (Text cont. next col.)

(Cont. from prev.col.) [16.Rxf5 Bxf5 17.Bxd8 Rxd8 18.Nxf5 gxf5]

16...Nxb4 (Joe - Not the best way to capture. Best is 16...Bxf6! After 17.Bxf6, it may look like black's Rooks are forked, but only now does black play 17...Nxb4. If white captures a Rook, then black will have two pieces for the Rook, or if white captures the knight, black will be up an exchange.)

[Better is 16...Bxf6!? 17.Bxf6 Nxb4 18.Bxh4 g5] 17.Bxh4 a6 18.Nc3 Rde8 19.Na4 b5 20.Nb6+? [D]



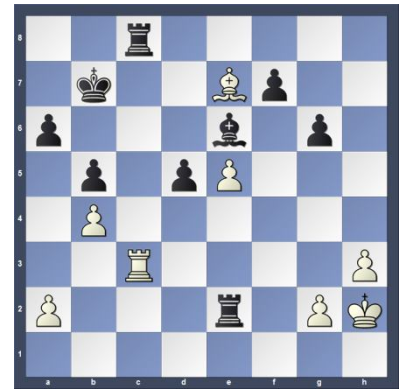
[Causes further problems for White.]

(Joe - That's the ballgame. White's knight gets trapped.) [Better is 20.Nc3 Kb7 21.Ne2] 20...Kb7 21.Raf1 Bxf6 22.Bxf6 Qxb6 23.Qd2 Rhg8 24.Qh6 Qc7 25.Qxh7 Qc8 26.Rf3 [D]



26...Ka8 [Better is 26...g5 might be the shorter path 27.Rf1 Qc7] 27.d4 cxd4 28.Ra3 Kb7 29.Qh4 Qxc2 30.Qxd4 Rc8 31.Be7 Rc4 32.Qe3 Qc1+ 33.Qxc1 Rxc1+ 34.Kh2 Rc2 35.b4 Re2 [Better is 35...d4 and Black can already relax 36.Rd3 Bd5 37.Kg1 Rxc2+ 38.Kf1 Rxa2 39.Ke1] (Text cont. next col.)

(Cont. from prev.col.) 36.Rc3 Rc8 [D]



[36...Rc8 37.Bc5 Rxa2] 0-1

## Round: 1

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

White: Gary Stevens (1260)

Black: Olin Mastin (1569)

Date: 1/8/2016

[A45: Trompowsky Attack] 1.d4 Nf6

2.e3 g6 3.Bd3 Bg7 4.f4 0-0

5.Nf3 d6 6.O-O Nbd7 7.f5 c5

8.c3 b6 [D]



9.fxg6 fxg6 10.e4 Qc7 [Better is 10...e6=] 11.e5? [White is ruining his position] [Better is 11.Ng5]

11...dxe5 12.dxe5 Nxe5

13.Nxe5 Qxe5 14.Re1 Qd6

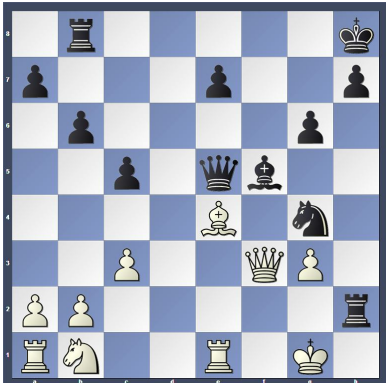
15.Qc2? [Solves nothing.] [Better is 15.Na3] 15...Ng4 16.g3 Rf2 [D] (p.2) 17.Qb3+ [17.Re2 is one last hope 17...Rxe2 18.Qxe2] 17...Kh8

18.Be4 Rb8 [Better is 18...Rxb2 might be the shorter path 19.Bf4 Be5 20.Bxa8 Bxf4 21.Qf7 (21.gxf4? Qxf4 22.Qg8+ Kxg8 23.Bd5+ Kh8 24.Bf3 Qxf3 25.Rxe7 Qh1#) 21...Be3+ 22.Rxe3] (Text cont. p.2)

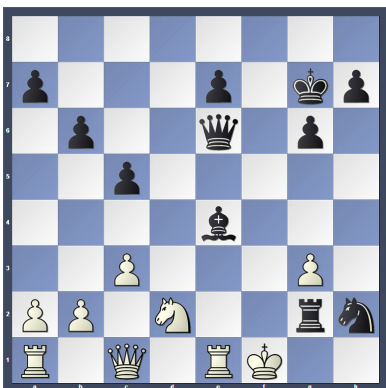
Position after 16...Rf2 (From p. 1)



(Cont. from p. 1) Qd1+ 23.Qf1 Qxf1+ 24.Kxf1 Nxe3+ 25.Kg1 Rxb2 26.Na3] **19.Bf4?** [19.Qd1 Qc7 (19...Rxb2?! is clearly worse 20.Qxd6 exd6 21.Bf3=) 20.Re2 Rf8] **19...Be5** [19...e5!? makes it even easier for Black 20.Bc1 Qf8 21.Qd1] **20.Bxe5+ Qxe5 21.Qd1** [21.Qd5 Qc7 22.Nd2] **21...Rxb2 22.Qf3 Bf5 [D]**



[Better is 22...Be6 and Black can already relax 23.Nd2 Rxd2] **23.Qf4 Qe6** [Better is 23...Qxf4 secures victory 24.gxf4 Bxe4 25.Rxe4 Rd8] **24.Qxb8+ Kg7 25.Qf4 Rf2 26.Qc1?** [Ruins a very nice position] [Better is 26.Qxg4! would hold out 26...Bxg4 27.Kxf2 Qf6+ 28.Kg2] **26...Bxe4 27.Nd2** [27.Qc2 a fruitless try to alter the course of the game 27...Rxc2 28.Nd2 Rxd2 29.Re2 Qd6 30.a3 Qxg3+ 31.Kf1 Ne3+ 32.Rxe3 Qf2#; 27.Rxe4 Qxe4] **27...Rg2+ 28.Kf1** [28.Kh1 is no salvation 28...Nf2#] **28...Nh2# [D]**



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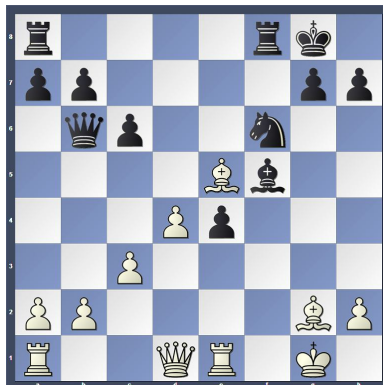
**Round: 2**

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

**White: Olin Mastin (1569)**  
**Black: Knox Bickford (1301)**  
**Date: 1/15/2016**  
 [A07: Réti Opening: New York and Capablanca Systems] **1.Nf3 c6 2.g3 d5 3.Bg2 Nd7 4.0-0 e5 5.d3 f5 6.Nbd2 Ngf6 7.Re1 Bc5 8.e4** [Better is 8.Nb3 Bb6 9.a4=] **8...f4? [D]**

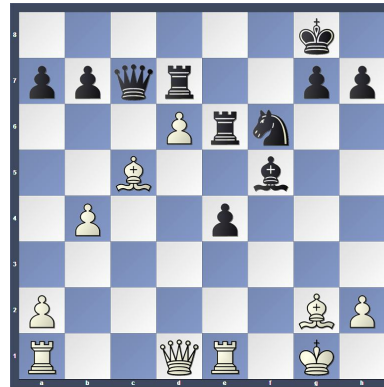


[Black loses the upper hand] [Better is 8...dxe4 9.Ng5 Bxf2+ 10.Kxf2 Ng4+ 11.Kf1 Qxg5 12.Nxe4 Qg6] **9.Nb3** [Better is 9.gxf4!? 0-0 10.fxe5 Nxe5 11.Nxe5 Bxf2+ 12.Kh1 Bxe1 13.Qxe1] **9...fxg3 10.Nxc5** [10.hxg3!? is an interesting idea 10...Bb4 11.c3 dxe4 12.Ng5] **10...gxf2+ 11.Kxf2 Nxc5 12.Nxe5** [12.exd5!? is an interesting alternative 12...cxd5 13.Nxe5=] **12...0-0 13.Kg1 dxe4 14.d4 Ncd7 15.Bf4** [15.b3 Nxe5 16.dxe5 Qxd1 17.Rxd1 Ng4] **15...Nxe5 16.Bxe5 Bf5 17.c3 Qb6 [D]**

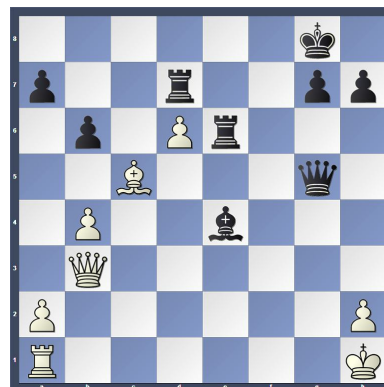


**18.b4** [18.Qb3+!? Qxb3 19.axb3] **18...Rae8 19.Bd6 Rf7 20.c4** [20.Qc1 Qd8 21.Be5 Qd7] **20...Re6 21.Bc5** [Better is 21.Rb1!?] **21...Qc7 22.d5 cxd5 23.cxd5 Rd7?** [Weakening the position] [Better is 23...Ng4!? 24.d6 Qd7] (Text cont. next col.)

(Cont. from prev.col.) **24.d6[D]**



[Is this a dangerous pawn?]  
**24...Qd8** [24...Qc6!? 5.Bxa7 Rxd6] **25.Qb3 b6 26.Bxe4?** [Makes life more difficult] [Better is 26.Rf1 was a good chance to save the game 26...Rxd6 27.Bxd6 Qxd6 28.Rxf5 Qd4+ 29.Kh1 Qxa1+ 30.Rf1=] **26...Nxe4** [26...bxc5? would lead to destruction 27.Bxf5 Kh8 28.Bxe6] **27.Rxe4** [27.Be3 does not improve anything 27...Rxd6 28.Bf4 Kh8] **27...Qg5+** [27...bxc5 is a bad alternative 28.Rxe6 c4 29.Qxc4 Bxe6 30.Qxe6+ Kh8 31.Rd1±] **28.Kh1** [28.Qg3 what else? 28...Qxg3+ 29.hxg3 Bxe4 30.Be3 Rxd6 31.Re1] **28...Bxe4+ [D]**



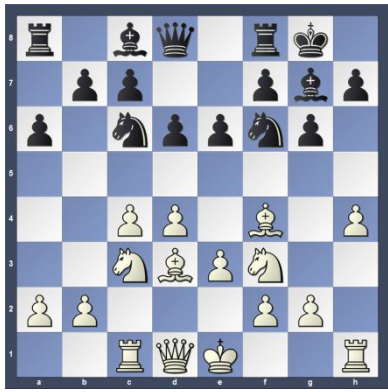
[28...Bxe4+ 29.Qf3 Bxf3#] **0-1**

**Round: 2**

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

**White: Joe Mucerino (2073)**  
**Black: Bob Kampia (1761)**  
**Date: 1/15/2016**  
 [A40: Unusual replies to 1 d4] (\*Indicates symbols inserted by Joe)  
**1.d4 e6 2.Nf3 Nc6** (Joe - Not a huge surprise. Bob has played some unorthodox openings against me recently.) **3.Bf4N d6 4.c4 g6 5.Nc3 Bg7 6.e3 a6 7.Rc1 Nf6 8.Bd3 0-0 9.h4?\*** (Joe - Here things (Text cont. p.3)

(Cont. from p.2) go wrong for me. Instead of just simply castling, I decided to attack.) [D]



**9...h6 10.Ng1?\*** (Joe - Another bad move. I had ideas of 11.h5 Nxh5 12.Rxh5 and 13.Qxh5.) [10.0-0!?= must be considered] **10...e5 11.dxe5 dxe5 12.Bg3 Be6 13.Qe2** [13.Nf3 Ng4 14.0-0 f5] **13...Qd7 14.Rd1 Rad8 15.Bxg6 Qe7 16.Bd3?\*** (Joe - The correct way to guard the pawn on c4 is 17.Bc2 followed by Bb3.) [D]



**16...Qc5** (Joe - Second best. After 16...e4! black would get a big advantage after something like 17.Nxe4 Nxe4 18.Bxe4 Qb4+ and black will capture the c pawn.) **17.b3?** (Joe - This should lose the game. I was suspicious of it when I made it. Rybka likes 17.a3 instead. Black is able to pin the knight on the e1-a5 diagonal, and black's bishop on g7 will enter the game and win it.) [17.a3 e4 18.Bb1 Bxc4] **17...Qb4?\*** (Joe - Exactly the right idea, but the wrong way to do it. 17...Qa5 should win. What's the difference? As we will see, on the twenty-first move, white will play 21.a3 and hit black's queen. However, on a5, black's queen would be safe from such an attack. After the text black is still better, but white had drawing chances.) [17...Qa5 and Black can already relax 18.Rc1 e4 19.Bb1] **18.Rc1?** [Strolling merrily down the path to disaster.] (Joe - Another move that (Text cont. next col.)

(Cont. from prev. col.) should lose! The immediate 18.Qc2 was the way to go.) [Better is 18.Qb2 e4 19.a3] **18...e4?!\*** (Joe - Black loses about half of his advantage after this. Winning is 18...Qa3! If white goes back with 19.Rd1, then 19...Qa5! wins as we saw previously. If 19.Rc2 then 19...Nb4 wins after 20.Rd2 Qc1+. Alternatively, if 19.Qc2, 19...Rxd3 wins the bishop, because white's queen must defend the Rook.) **19.Bb1 Rd7?** [Black has a king attack. throwing away the advantage.] (Joe - The computer likes 19...Bg4 better.) [Better is 19...Qa3 might be the shorter path 20.Rd1 Qa5] **20.Qb2?\*** [20.Kf1 Rfd8 21.Qe1μ (21.Nxe4? is inferior since it leads to 21...Nxe4 22.Bxe4 Rd2; 21.Bxe4? fails to 21...Nxe4 22.Nxe4 f5)] **20...Rfd8 ?\*** (Joe - I guess we both missed that the simple 20...Bxc4 wins a pawn.) **21.a3 Qb6 22.Na4** [Better is 22.c5!? Qxc5 23.b4] **22...Qa5+ [D]**



**23.Qc3?!** [Doesn't do very much to defend the position.] (Joe - Apparently this is another losing move. 23.Nc3 is recommended. Now, after the text move, black should be winning again after 23...Bg4.) [23.Nc3 Rd2! Deflection: a3 24.b4 Rxb2 25.bxa5] **23...Qxc3+?\*** (Joe - All of the advantage that black had evaporated on that one move.) [Better is 23...Bg4 and Black takes home the point 24.Ne2 Bxe2 25.Qxa5 Nxa5] **24.Nxc3** [24.Rxc3? Rd1+ 25.Ke2 R8d2#] **24...Bf5** [Better is 24...Bf8 and Black is still in the game 25.Nxe4 Nh5] **25.Nge2 [D]** (Next col.) (Joe - The worst is now over for white, and he has consolidated his extra pawn. Black crumbles now.) **25...Na5 26.Bc2 Bg4 27.Rd1 Bxe2?** [Better is 27...Rxd1+ 28.Bxd1 Rd7] (Text cont. next col.)

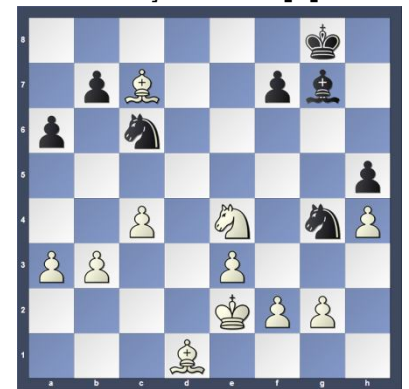
**Position after 25.Nge2** (From prev. col.)



(Cont. from prev. col.) **28.Kxe2 [D]**

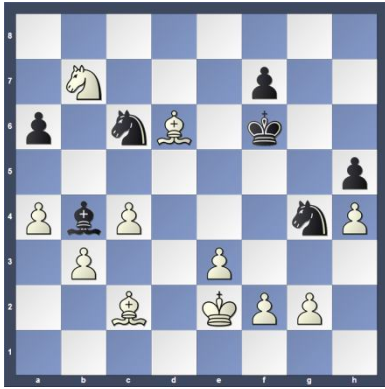


[28.Nxe2?! Rxd1+ 29.Bxd1 Rd7] **28...Ng4** [28...Re8 29.Nxe4! Deflection: d7 29...Rxd1 30.Nxf6+ (<30.Bxd1 Nxe4 31.Bxc7 Nc3+ 32.Kf3 Nc6) 30...Bxf6 31.Kxd1] **29.Nxe4** [29.Bxc7!? seems even better 29...Nxf2 30.Kxf2 Rd2+ 31.Ne2 Nc6 32.Rxd2 Rxd2 33.Bxe4 Rd7] **29...h5** [29...Nc6 no good, but what else?] **30.Bxc7!** [Deflection: d7] **30...Rxd1** [30...Rxc7 31.Rxd8+ Overloading Deflection Pinning] **31.Rxd1** [31.Bxa5?! is a useless try 31...Rxh1 32.Bxd8 Rc1=] **31...Rxd1 32.Bxd1** [32.Bxa5?! succumbs to 32...Rc1 33.Bd3 Ne5±] **32...Nc6 [D]**



**33.Nc5 Bb2** [33...Bf8 cannot change destiny 34.Nxb7 Bxa3 35.Bc2] **34.a4 Ba3** (Text cont. p.4)

(Cont. from p.3) 35.Nxb7 Bb4  
36.Bd6 Kg7 37.Bc2 Kf6 [D]



[37...Bxd6 doesn't change the outcome of the game 38.Nxd6 Nf6 39.Bd1] 38.Be4  
Bxd6 39.Nxd6 Nb4 40.Bf3 Ke6  
41.Ne4 f5 42.Ng3 [D]



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### Round: 2 (Makeup)

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

White: Greg Sulat (1557)

Black: George Murphy (1436)

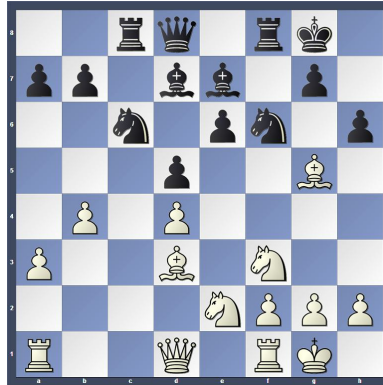
Date: 1/15/2016, Scheduled Date (Actual Date 2/8/16)

[C06: French Tarrasch: 3...Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5 Bd3 main lines] (Greg - The opening was a fairly straightforward French Defense - Tarrasch Variation.) 1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5  
3.Nd2 Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5.Bd3 c5 6.c3 Nc6 7.Ne2 cxd4 8.cxd4 Be7 9.0-0 f6  
10.exf6 Nxf6 11.Nf3 0-0 [White has a very active position] 12.a3 [D]



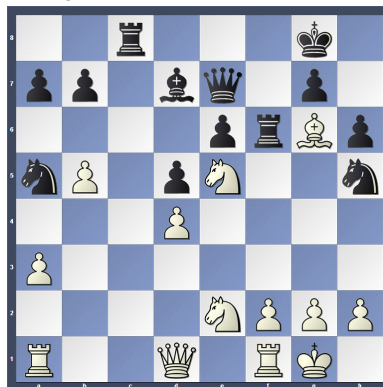
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(Cont. from prev. col.) (Greg - Move 12 - just trying to limit the activity of the knight and dark squared Bishop. Eventually I want to push b5 and force him to the a-file; essentially cutting him off.) 12...Bd7 13.b4  
Rc8 14.Bg5 [Black has a cramped position] 14...h6 [D]



(Greg - Move 14 - ...h6. REALLY thought about sacrificing the Bishop to really open up the King but didn't quite see a follow or how to truly bring other pieces in to the fray.)

15.Bh4 Nh5 [15...a6!?!=] 16.Bxe7  
Qxe7 17.b5 Na5 18.Ne5 Rf6?  
[18...Qd6 19.Qb1 Be8 20.g3±]  
19.Bg6 [D]



(Greg - Move 19 - Might have been better to bring the Knight to that square but thought I could pick up the Knight since there was nowhere for him to go. Didn't want to trade off that Bishop since its one of the best pieces in the French but didn't really have any other options.) [19.g4 Nc4 20.gxh5 Bxb5] 19...Be8 [19...Rxb6!? 20.Nxg6 Qe8±] 20.Bxe8 Qxe8  
21.a4 [Better is 21.g4± White clearly has the better chances.] 21...Nc4 [The black knight is well posted.]  
22.Ng4 Rf8 23.Rb1 [D] (Next col.) (Greg - Move 23 - Rb1 - Trying to get a Rook lift in and limit the Knight's activity at the same time.)  
23...Nf6 24.Nxf6+ Rxf6  
[24...gxh6? 25.Nf4 Kh7 26.Qd3+ Kg8] (Text cont. next col.)

Position after 23.Rb1 (From prev. col.)

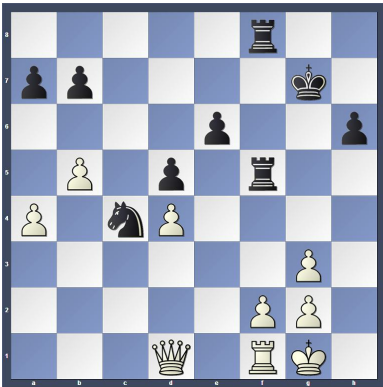


(Cont. from prev. col.) 27.Qg3+ Kh7 28.Qh3] 25.Ng3 Qg6 26.Rb3  
Qg5 27.Nh5 Rf5 28.Nxg7? [D]

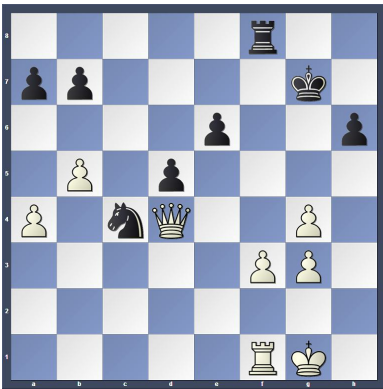


(Greg - Move 28 - Not sure if that was really smart or really dumb. I thought the best move would be for the Rook to maneuver so it can block for the Queen, which would get me 2 pawns out of all of this. The King taking the knight was just a blunder. After skewering and the Queen, taking the Rook George still isn't too far down in material. He has an active knight on a good outpost and the two Rooks are fairly equal to the Queen. I had to watch retaking the Queen since I needed the f pawn to guard against the Knight.) [Better is 28.Ng3 Rf4 29.Rf3=] 28...Kxg7? [Gives away a clear win.] [Better is 28...Qxg7 and the rest is a matter of technique 29.Rg3 Rg5] 29.Rg3 Qxg3 30.hxg3 [30.fxg3? Ne3 31.Rxf5 Nxd1] 30...Rcf8 [D] (p.5) (Greg - Then it's just a matter of continuing to push the Rooks back by advancing the pawns.) 31.Qd3 R8f6 32.g4 Rf4 33.f3 Rf8 34.g3 Rxd4 (Greg - When George took the d4 pawn I thought there must be a trap or fork I'm missing but it was a true blunder. I took the Rook with check and he resigned.) [34...R4f6] 35.Qxd4+ [D] (p.5) (Text cont. p.5)

Position after 30...Rcf8 (From p.4)



Position after 35.Qxd4+ (From p.4)



(Cont. from p.4) (Greg - Thought it was a tough game overall. His King looked exposed but had trouble taking advantage of that position.) **1-0**

**Round: 4**

Submitted by Eric and Alex with their comments and selected Fritz comments [shown thusly].

**White: Alex MacFarlane (1848)**

**Black: Eric Funk (2076)**

**Date: 1/29/2016**

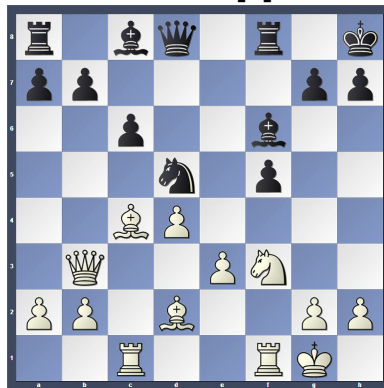
[A27: English Opening: Three Knights Variation] (Eric wrote: "Olin, Alex outplayed me in the opening and middle game and deserved a better fate in this one. Two key mistakes in the endgame, moves 33 and 45, probably cost him the win and draw respectively.")

**1.Nf3 Nc6 2.c4 e5 3.Nc3 f5 4.e3 Nf6 5.d4 e4 6.Nd2 Be7 7.Be2 0-0 8.0-0 [D]**

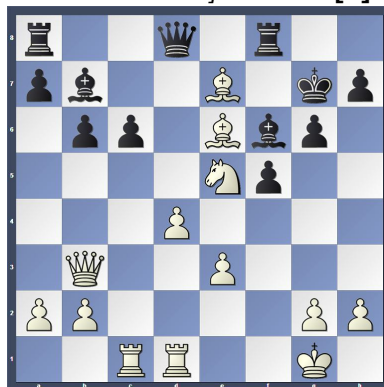


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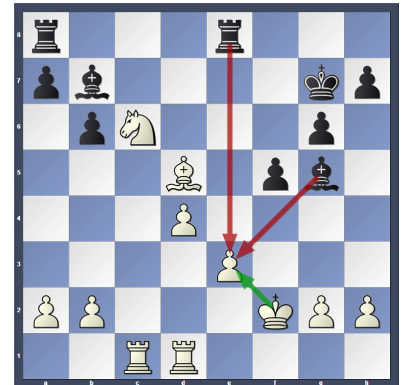


(Eric - Unnecessary. More accurate was the immediate 16... b6.) **16...Ne7 17.Bb4 b6 18.Rfd1 Bb7** (Eric - A serious mistake: the bishop is misplaced here. Instead, 18... a5 19.Bxe7 Qxe7 20.Qxb6 Qxe3+ 21.Kh1 Bd7 holds for black.) [18...a5 19.Bxe7 Bxe7 20.a4=] **19.Be6** [19.Ne5 a5 20.Bxe7 Qxe7 21.Qxb6 Rab8±] **19...g6** [Better is 19...a5!? might be a viable alternative 20.Ba3 a4=] **20.Ne5 Kg7** (Eric - Losing immediately was 20... Bxe5 21.dxe5 Qe8 22.Bxe7 Qxe7 23.Rd7 etc...) [20...a5 21.Ba3 a4 22.Qc2±] **21.Bxe7 [D]**

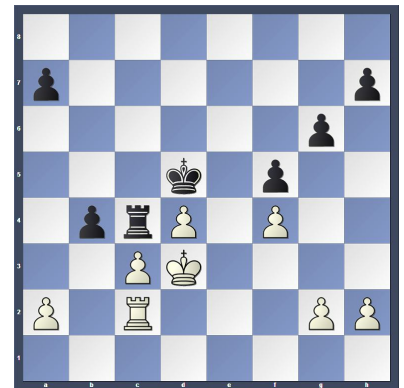


[Alex- This pawn grab felt like a mistake at the time. I knew there was something better, but couldn't see it. 21. Nd7 is much stronger. Natural replies like 21... Re8 or 21... Rh8 run into 22. NXf6 KXf6 23. e4! With a decisive attack. Other 21st moves for black lose at least an exchange.] [Better is 21.Nd7!? a5 22.Bd6] **21...Qxe7 22.Nxc6** (Eric - Finally cashing in. Alex is reaping the rewards of his better decision making.) (Text cont. next col.)

(Cont. from prev. col.) **22...Qd6 23.Qd5 [23.d5 Rfe8±] 23...Qxd5** (Alex - 23... Rad8 =. ((24. QXd6 RXd6 25. d4 BXB2)) or ((24. Qc4 Rde8 and the e-pawn falls.)) [23...Rad8!? 24.Qc4 Rde8=] **24.Bxd5 Rfe8 25.Kf2 Bg5 [D]**



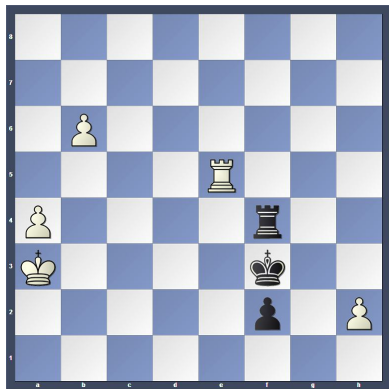
[Exerts pressure on the backward pawn.] **26.Rc3 Rac8 27.Re1 Rc7 28.Nb4 Rxc3 29.bxc3 Bxd5 30.Nxd5 Kf7 31.Re2 Rc8 32.Rc2 Rc4 33.Kf3** (Eric - This innocent-looking move wastes a key tempo. Necessary was either 33.Ke2 or 33.Nf4.) **33...Ke6 34.Nf4+** (Alex - 34. Nb4 would have prevented the disaster that is about to happen.) **34...Bxf4 35.exf4 [A Rook end-game occurred. ] 35...Kd5 36.Ke3 b5 37.Kd3 b4 [D]**



(Eric - And now black steals back the lost pawn. Note that had white not lost a tempo on move 33 he could have prevented this with Rb2.) **38.cxb4 Rxd4+ 39.Kc3 Rxf4 40.Rd2+ Kc6 41.a4 a5 42.b5+ Kc5 43.Kb3 Rb4+ 44.Ka3 f4 45.Rb2** (Eric - Losing more valuable time. Activating the Rook immediately with 45.Rd7 was crucial.) **45...g5 [34.e4!?±] 46.Rc2+ Kd4 47.Rc7?** (Alex - The silicon says a draw can still be salvaged with 47. Rf2. The pawn majority can't advance against the) (Text cont. p.6)

(Cont. from p.5) Rook without the help of their king, and if the king goes, in it abandons the defense of b4. For example: 47... Ke3 48. Bb2 g4 49. Rxb4 aXb4+ 50 Kb2! =.) [Better is 47.h3= would bring relief.] **47...g4 48.Rxh7** (Eric - In the postmortem we looked at 48.Ra7 f3 49.gxf3 gxf3 50.Rxa5 Rb1 (not 50... f2 51.Kxb4 f1Q 52.Ra6, when white has life) 51.b6 f2 52.Rf5 f1Q 53.Rxf1 Rxf1 54.a5 Kc5 55.b7 Rf8 56.a6 Kb6, and black wins.) **48...f3 49.gxf3 gxf3 50.Rd7+** (Eric - On 50.Rh4+ Ke3 51.Rxb4 axb4+ 52.Kxb4 f3 black's pawn wins the footrace comfortably.)

**50...Ke3 51.Re7+ Kd2** (Eric - I wanted to avoid the messy 51... Re4 52. Rf7 f2 53.b6 Ke2 54.b7 Re8 (or 54... Rb4 55.Re7+ Kd1 56.Rf7 Ke2 57.Re7+ etc. when black cannot make progress) 55.Re7+ Rxe7 56.b8Q f1Q 57.Qb2+ etc...) **52.Rf7 Ke2 53.Re7+ Kf1 54.Ra7 f2 55.Rxa5 Rf4 56.b6 Ke2 57.Re5+ Kf3 [D]**



(Eric - On 58.b7 f1Q 59.b8Q Qa1+ 60.Kb3 Qb1+ skewers the queen.) **0-1**

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