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

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This issue will feature games played in the 2016 NPCC May Quads and other games.

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

Thanks to all for submitting games!

Game from the NPCC 2016 April

Open Tournament:

Round: 5

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

White: Don Funk (1600)

Black: Robert Hepp (1123)

Date: 4/29/2016

[A03: Bird's Opening with 1...d5] 1.d4 d5 2.e3 Nf6 3.f4 Nc6 4.Nf3 Bg4 5.Be2 Ne4 [D]



[Black can be proud of that piece.] 6.0-0 f6 7.Nbd2 e6 8.c4 Qd7 9.a3 0-0-0 10.b4 h5 11.Nxe4 [11.Bb2!? might be a viable alternative.] 11...dxe4

12.Nd2? f5 [Forfeits the advantage.] [12...Nxd4 13.Bxg4 hxg4 14.c5] 13.c5?? [Allows the opponent back into the game.] [13.Bb2 Be7=] 13...Be7?? [Weakening the position.] [Better is 13...Nxd4 14.Bxg4 hxg4] 14.Nc4 Bf6 15.Bb2 [D] (Next col.)

15...g5 16.Ne5 Qe8 17.Nxc6 Qxc6 18.Bxg4 [18.Qd2 gxf4 19.Rxf4 Rhg8] 18...hxg4 19.Qe2 19.Qb3!? [19...gxf4 20.Rxf4 Rh6 [20...Bg5!? 21.Rf2 Rxh2 (Text cont. next col.)

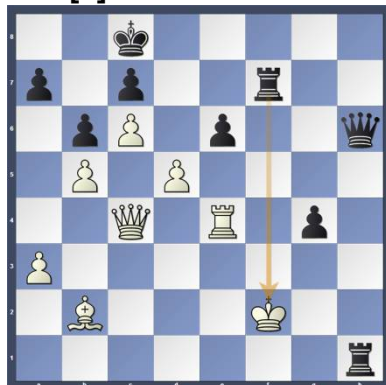
Position after 15.Bb2 (From prev. col.)



(Cont. from prev.col.) 22.Kxh2 e5] 21.g3 [White has a new backward pawn: h2.] 21...Bg5 22.Rf2 Rd7 23.Re1 Rdh7 24.Qc4 b6 25.b5 [D]



25...Qe8 26.c6 [26.d5 Qf8+] 26...Rh3 [26...Qf8 27.Rg2] 27.Rg2 Qg6? [27...R7h6 28.a4=] 28.Ree2 Qh6 29.Kh1 [Better is 29.Qa4!? Bxe3+ 30.Kf1+] 29...Bxe3 30.d5?? [Better is 30.Qa4 .a5 31.bxa6 Rxg3 32.Rxg3=] 30...f4 31.gxf4 31...Bxf4 32.Rxe4 Bxh2 33.Rxh2 Rxh2+ 34.Kg1 Rh1+ [34...Qh3 35.Rxg4 Qe3+ 36.Kf1 Qf2#] 35.Kf2 Rf7+ [D]



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Games from the NPCC 2016 May Quads Tournament:

Round: 1

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

White: Bill Campion (1597)

Black: Jonathan Xu (1541) (Age 10)

Date: 5/13/2016

[D00: 1 d4 d5: Unusual lines] 1.d4 d5 2.Bg5 Nc6 3.e3 Bf5 4.Bd3 Bg6 5.Nf3 f6 6.Bf4 Qd7 7.a3 0-0-0 8.Qe2 [D]



[8.Nc3 Bxd3 9.Qxd3 g5=] 8...Bxd3 9.Qxd3 g5 10.Bg3 h5 11.h3 h4 12.Bh2 g4 13.hxg4 Qxg4 14.Nbd2 Qxg2?? [With this move Black loses his initiative.] [14...Rh5 15.c4=] 15.0-0-0 [Better is 15.Qf5+ Rd7 16.Rg1 Nh6 17.Qxd7+ Kxd7 18.Rxg2 Nf5] 15...Qxf2?? [Better is 15...Qg4!? = is interesting] 16.Qf5+?? [Better is 16.Bf4 and White has prevailed 16...e6 17.Rh2 Qxh2 18.Bxh2] 16...Kb8 17.Qf4 [Better is 17.Bf4!? Qe2 18.Qe6+] 17...Rc8 18.Nb3 [18.Qf5!? is worth consideration 18...Qxe3 19.Bf4] 18...Bh6 19.Bg1? [D]



(Text cont. p.2)

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(Cont. from p.1) [19.Qg4 f5 20.Qh3 Nf6] **19...Qxg1??** [Letting the wind out of his own sails.] [Better is 19...Qg2 and Black can already relax 20.Rh2 Bxf4 21.Rxg2 h3] **20.Qxh6??** [Better is 20.Rdxg1 Bxf4 21.exf4] **20...Qxd1+!** [Better than holding on to the material] **21.Kxd1** [21.Kxd1 Nxb6 Zwischenzug; 21.Rxd1 Nxb6 Zwischenzug] **21...Rxb6** [Better is 21...Nxb6 keeps an even firmer grip 22.Ke2 Nf5 23.Kf2] **22.Nc5 f5 23.Kd2 Nf6 [D]**



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Round: 1

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

White: Robert Hepp (1257)

Black: Gary Stevens (1200)

Date: 5/13/2016

[B12: Caro-Kann: Advance Variation]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 c6 3.Nf3 d5 4.e5 [Black is behind in development] **4...Ne7**
5.Be2 h6 6.Nc3 Nd7 7.Be3 Nf5
8.Qd2 Bb4 9.a3 Be7 10.0-0 [D]

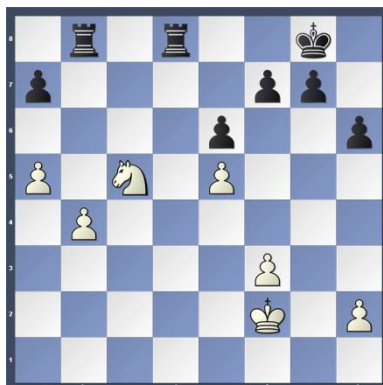


10...Nb6 11.Bd3 Nc4 12.Bxc4 dxc4
13.Ne4 c5 [Better is 13...Qd5!? is a viable option 14.Nc3 Qd8=] **14.dxc5**
Qxd2 15.Nfxd2 Nxe3 16.fxe3 Bd7
[16...c3 17.bxc3 0-0 18.Nd6±] **17.Rad1**
[17.Nxc4!? 0-0 18.Ned6 Rab8] **17...Bc6**
18.Nxc4?? [White is ruining his position.]
[Better is 18.Nd6+ would have made live much easier for White 18...Bxd6 19.cxd6]
18...Bxe4 19.Rf4 [19.Rd4 Bg6 20.b4 Bxc2 21.Nd6+ Bxd6 22.cxd6 Ba4]
19...Bxc2 20.Rd2 Bb3 [D] (Next col.)
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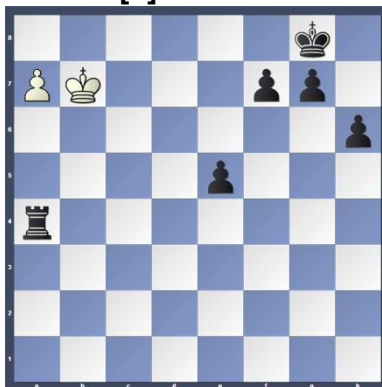
Position after 20...Bb3 (From prev. col.)



(Cont. from prev. col.) **21.Na5??**
[An oversight. But White was lost anyway.] [Better is 21.Nd6+ Bxd6 22.cxd6] **21...Bd5** [Better is 21...Bxc5 seems even better 22.Nxb3 Bxe3+ 23.Rdf2] **22.b4 Bg5 23.Rf3**
Bxf3 24.gxf3 Bxe3+ 25.Rf2
Bxf2+ 26.Kxf2 b6 27.Nb7 0-0
28.a4 bxc5 29.Nxc5 Rfd8 30.a5 Rab8 [D]



31.Na6 Rb7 32.Ke3 Rd5 33.f4
Rdb5 34.Kd4 Rxb4+ 35.Nxb4
Rxb4+ 36.Kc5 Rxf4 37.Kb5 Rf5
38.Ka6 Rxe5 39.h4 Re4
40.Kxa7 Rxh4 41.a6 Ra4 42.Kb7
e5 43.a7 [D]



Rxa7+! [The logical end.] **44.Kxa7 0-1**

Round: 1

Submitted by Doug by copy of score sheet with selected Fritz comments [shown thusly]. (Text cont. next col.)

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White: Doug Kern (1970)

Black: Don Funk (1600)

Date: 5/13/2016

[D94: Grünfeld: 4 Nf3 Bg7 5 e3] **1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 g6 3.c4 c6 4.Nc3 Bg7 5.e3 Nf6 [D]**



6.cxd5 cxd5 7.Bd3 0-0 8.h3 Nc6
9.a3 a6 10.0-0 Re8 11.Bd2 e5 [D]



12.dxe5 Nxe5 [12...Nd7 13.Ne2=]
13.Nxe5 Rxe5 14.Ne2 Re8
15.Bc3 Ne4 16.Bxe4 dxe4
17.Qc2 [D]

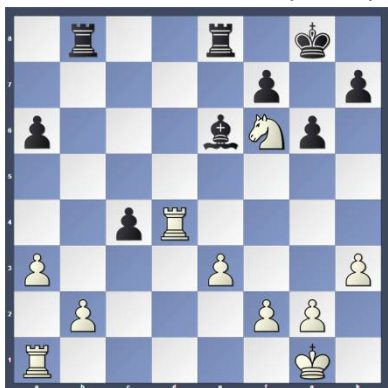


[17.Bxg7 Kxg7 18.Qb3 Be6]
17...Bxc3 18.Nxc3 Qd3
[18...Bxh3!? 19.gxh3 Qg5+ 20.Kh2 Qe5+ 21.f4 exf3+ 22.Kh1 Qxe3±]
19.Qb3 b5 20.Rfd1 Qc4 [D]
(p.3) [20...Be6 21.Qb4 a5 22.Qxe4 Qxe4 23.Nxe4±] **21.Qxc4 bxc4**
22.Rd4 [22.Nd5 Rf8 23.Rac1 Be6±]
22...Rb8 23.Nxe4 Be6? [Better is 23...Kg7±] **24.Nf6+ [D]** (p.3)
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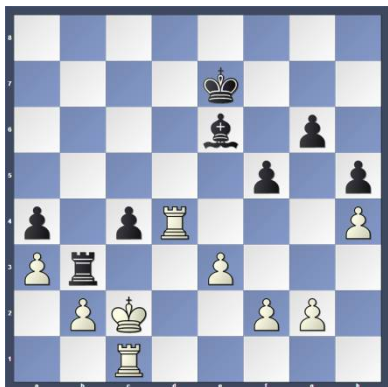
Position after 20...Qc4 (From p.2)



Position after 24.Nf6+ (From p.2)



(Cont. from p.2) 24...Kf8 25.Nxe8 Kxe8 26.Rd2 Rb3 27.Rc1 Ke7 28.Rc3 Rb6 29.Kf1 f5 30.Ke1 h5 [30...h6 31.Ke2] 31.h4 a5 [31...Rb5 32.Rcc2] 32.Rc1 Rb3 33.Kd1 [33.Rcc2 keeps an even firmer grip 33...Rb8] 33...Rb5 34.Kc2 a4 35.Rd4 Rb3 [D]

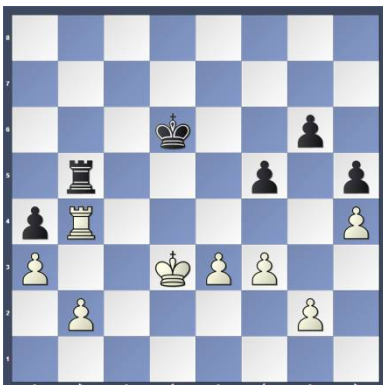


36.Kb1 Rb6 37.Rc3 Rc6 38.Kc1 Rb6 39.Rcxc4 [D]



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(Cont. from prev. col.) [Better is 39.e4!? might be the shorter path 39...fxe4 40.Re3 Kf6] 39...Bxc4 40.Rxc4 Ra6 41.Kc2 Kd6 42.f3 Ra5 43.Kd3 Rb5?! [Not the greatest defense.] [43...Ke6] 44.Rb4 [D]



[44.Rb4 Ra5 45.Rb6+ Ke7 46.Rxg6] 1-0

Round: 1

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

White: Olin Mastin (1502)

Black: George Murphy (1486)

Date: 5/13/2016

[A07: Réti Opening: New York and Capablanca Systems] 1.Nf3 d5 2.g3 g6 3.Bg2 Bg7 4.0-0 e5 5.d3 Ne7 6.Nbd2 0-0 7.e4 c5 8.Re1 Nbc6 [D]



9.Nf1 [9.exd5 Nxd5 10.Nc4 f6=] 9...dxe4 10.dxe4 Qxd1 11.Rxd1 Bg4 12.Be3 [12.Ne3 Be6=] 12...b6 [12...Nd4!? 13.Bxd4 cxd4] 13.c3 [Consolidates b4+d4] 13...Rad8 14.h3 Bxf3 [14...Be6!? is worthy of consideration.] 15.Bxf3 Rxd1 16.Rxd1 [D] (Next col.) 16...Rd8 17.Nd2 f6 18.Nc4 Rxd1+ 19.Bxd1 g5 [19...Kf7!?±] 20.Bb3 Kf8 21.Nd6 h6 22.Nb5 [22.Kf1 Na5 23.Ba4 Kg8±] 22...f5 23.Nc7 Nd8 24.f4 [D] (Next col.) [24.exf5 Nxf5 25.Nb5 a5±] 24...exf4 25.gxf4 gxf4 (Text cont. next col.)

Position after 16.Rxd1 (From prev. col.)



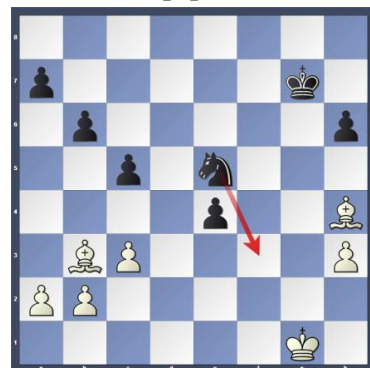
Position after 24.f4 (From prev. col.)



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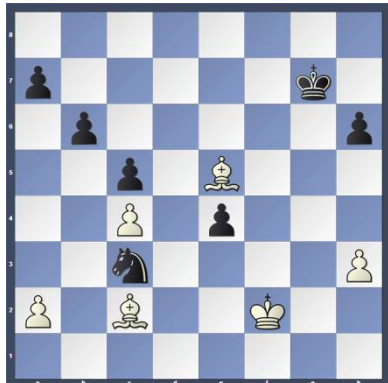


28...Kg7?? [Better is 28...Bg5= the only rescuing move.] 29.Nxe7 [Better is 29.Bxe7 seems even better 29...Bg5] 29...Bxe7 30.Bxe7 Nc6 31.Bh4 Ne5 [D]



(Text cont. p.4)

(Cont. from p.3) **32.Bf2** [Better is 32.Kf2!? keeps an even firmer grip 32...Nd3+ 33.Ke3 Nxb2 34.Kxe4 c4] **32...Nd3 33.Be3 Nxb2 34.Bc2 Nc4 35.Kf2 Nd6 36.Bf4 Nb5 37.c4 Nc3 [37...Na3 38.Bb3 b5 39.cxb5 Nxb5] 38.Be5+ [D]**



[38.Be5+ Kg8 39.Bxc3 e3+ 40.Kxe3] **1-0**

Round: 2

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

White: Don Forest (1494)

Black: Olin Mastin (1502)

Date: 5/20/2016

[D09: Albin Counter Gambit: Main line with 5 g3] **1.d4 d5 2.c4 e5 3.dxe5 d4 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.g3 Be6 6.Nbd2 Qd7 7.Ng5** (Olin - A different move that I had never encountered before.) **[D]**



7...Nxe5 8.Nxe6 fxe6 9.a3 0-0 10.Bg2 d3 11.e3 Nf6 12.b4 Be7 13.0-0 Rhf8 14.Bb2 Neg4 15.Bxf6 [15.c5 Qb5 16.Qb3 Kb8] 15...Bxf6? [D]



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(Cont. from prev. col.) (Olin - I forgot about the hanging Knight on g4!) [Better is 15...Nxf6 16.c5 c6±] **16.Qxg4 Bxa1 17.Rxa1 Qf7 18.Rf1 Kb8 [18...c6 19.Qe4] 19.Qe4 c6 20.Qxh7 Qf6 21.f4 Qb2 22.Rf2 [22.Rd1!? and White can already relax 22...Rfe8] 22...Qc1+ [D]**



[22...Rfe8 23.Bf3] **23.Bf1 e5? 24.e4** [Better is 24.Qxg7 and White can celebrate victory 24...Rfe8 25.fxe5 Qxa3 26.b5] **24...exf4 25.gxf4 g5?** [Better is 25...Qxa3 is the best option Black has 26.Qg6 Qxb4] **26.f5 Rh8 27.Qe7 g4 28.Kg2 [28.Nb3 keeps an even firmer grip 28...g3 29.hxg3 Qh6] 28...Rhe8? [28...Qe1 29.Qe5+ Ka8] 29.Qg7 [Better is 29.Qg5 seems even better.] 29...Rxe4?? [D]**



[Terrible, but what else could Black do to save the game?] (Olin - A quite dubious sacrifice. Desperation?) [29...Qxa3 30.f6 Qxb4] **30.Nxe4 d2 31.Qe5+ Ka8** (Olin - I should have at least tried Kc8.) [31...Kc8 32.Qe6+ Kb8 33.Nxd2 Rxd2 34.Rxd2 Qxd2+ 35.Be2] **32.Nxd2! [D]** (Next col.) [Deflection: h8] [32.Nxd2 Qxa3 33.f6 Qh3+ 34.Kg1] **1-0**

Round: 2

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

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Position after 32.Nxd2! (From prev. col.)



(Cont. from prev. col.)

White: Alexis Perez, (Unr) Age 15

Black: David Wang, (Unr) Age 10

Date: 5/20/2016

[B20: Sicilian: Unusual White 2nd moves] **1.e4 c5 2.Bc4 Nf6 3.Nc3 e6 4.d3 Bd6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.a3 Qa5 7.Bd2 b6?? [Better is 7...Qd8= would save the game.] 8.b3 [D]**



[8.Nb5 keeps an even firmer grip 8...Bb8 9.Bxa5 Nxa5] **8...Qa6 [8...Bf4 9.Bxf4 Qxc3+ 10.Bd2 Qb2] 9.Bxa6 Bxa6 10.a4 0-0 11.Nb5 Ne8 12.Qe2 e5 13.Bc3 f6 14.Nh4 Rf7 15.Nf5 Be7 16.Qg4 g6 [16...Kh8 the last chance for counterplay.] 17.Nh6+ [D]**

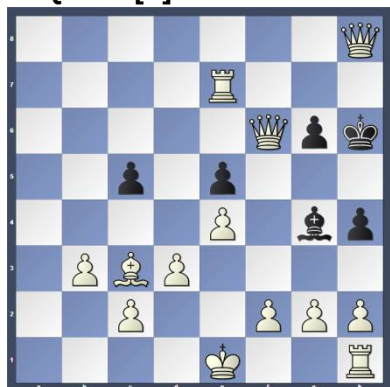


17...Kg7 18.Nxf7 Kxf7 19.Qxd7 Rd8 20.Qxc6 Rd6 21.Nxd6+ Nxd6 22.a5 Bc8 23.axb6 Be6 24.Rxa7 Ne8 [D] (p.5) (Text cont. p.5)

Position after 24...Ne8 (From p.4.)



25.b7 h5 26.b8Q Bg4 27.Qbxe8+ Kg7 28.Rxe7+ Kh6 29.Qxf6 h4 30.Qeh8# [D]



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Round: 2

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

White: Jonathan Xu (1541)(Age 10)

Black: Will Moyer (1571)

Date: 5/20/2016

[B22: Sicilian: 2 c3] 1.e4 c5 2.c3 d6

3.Bb5+ Bd7 4.Bxd7+ Nxd7 5.Nf3 e5

[D]



6.d4 Ngf6 7.Qc2 Rc8 8.dxe5 dxe5 9.0-0 b6 [9...c4 10.b4=] 10.Qa4 a5 [Better is 10...Qc7!? must be considered] 11.Bg5 Be7 12.Nxe5 0-0 [D] (Next col.) [12...Qc7 13.Rd1 Qxe5 14.Bxf6±] 13.Nc6 [Better is 13.Rd1!? Nxe5 14.Rxd8 Rfxd8 15.Na3] 13...Qe8 14.Nxe7+ Qxe7 15.Rd1 h6 [15...Qxe4 16.Qxe4 Nxe4 17.Rxd7 Nxg5 18.Na3] (Text cont. next col.)

Position after 12...0-0 (From prev. col.)



(Cont. from prev. col.) 16.Bh4 g5 17.Bg3 Ne5 18.Qc2 Nh5 19.Na3 [D]



19...Nxg3 20.hxg3 Ng4 21.Qe2 Nf6 22.e5 Rfe8 [22...Rcd8 23.Re1 Rfe8 24.Nc4] 23.Nc4 Rcd8 24.Nxb6 Rxd1+ 25.Rxd1 Qxe5 26.Qxe5 Rxe5 27.Nc4 [D]



27...Re4 28.Nd6 [Better is 28.Ne3 and White could have gained the advantage.] 28...Re2 29.Nc4 Ne4 [29...Re4 30.Ne3 Kg7] 30.Rd8+ Kg7 31.Re8 Re1+? [Better is 31...a4+] 32.Kh2 f5 [32...Re2 33.Nd6!! Deflection: e4 33...Nxc3 34.bxc3 Rxa2+] 33.f3 Kf7 [33...a4 does not save the day 34.fxe4 fxe4 35.Nd6] 34.Nd6+ [D] (Next col.) [34.Re5!? seems even better 34...a4] 34...Nxd6 35.Rxe1 Kf6 36.b3 c4 37.Rd1 Ke5 38.f4+! Ke6 [38...gxf4 39.gxf4+ Ke4] (Text cont. next col.)

Position after 34.Nd6+ (From prev. col.)



(Cont. from prev. col.)

a) 39...Ke6 40.Re1+ Ne4 (40...Kd5 41.Re5+ Skewer; 40...Kd7 41.Re5 Combination; 40...Kf6 41.Re5 Combination) 41.bxc4 Passed pawn Deflection;
b) 39...Kxf4 40.Rd4+ Double attack (40.Rxd6 Overloading Deflection);
c) 39...Kf6 40.Rxd6+ Deflection; 40.Rxd6 Deflection]
39.Re1+ Ne4 40.bxc4 Kd6 41.g4! [D]



Deflection: e4] 41...gxf4 [41...fxg4 42.Rxe4 Deflection] 42.gxf5 Ke5 [42...Ng5 a last effort to resist the inevitable] 43.f6! [Deflection: e4] 43...Kf5 [43...Kxf6 44.Rxe4 Deflection] 44.Rxe4 [D]



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Round: 3

Submitted by Jonathan with Fritz
comments [shown thusly].

White: Dave Hamalian (1560)

Black: Jonathan Xu (1541) (Age 10)

Date: 5/19/2016 (Makeup for Round
3, scheduled date 5/27)

[B56: Classical Sicilian: Unusual Lines]

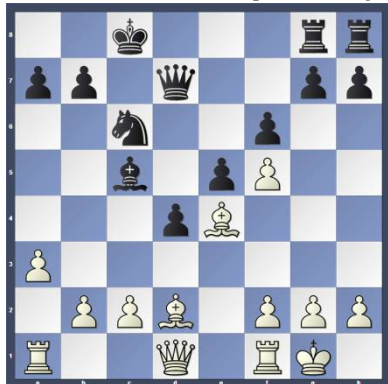
**1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4
Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Be3 e5 [D]**



**7.Nf5 Bxf5 8.exf5 Qd7 9.Bd3 [9.g4!?
is worth looking at 9...0-0-0 10.g5=]
9...d5 10.Bg5 d4 [Black wins space]
[10...Be7!?] 11.Ne4 Nxe4 12.Bxe4 [D]**



[A sound move.] **12...f6 13.Bd2 Bc5
[13...0-0-0 14.Qf3] 14.a3 [14.Qh5+ Qf7
15.Qf3 Qc7±] 14...0-0-0 15.0-0 [15.b4
Bd6 16.c4 dxc3 17.Bxc3] 15...Rdg8 [D]**



[15...g6!?=] **16.Qe2 [16.b4 Bd6±]
16...g6 [16...Kb8] 17.b4 [Better is
17.Qc4!? Bd6 18.Bd5±] 17...Bb6
[17...gxf5 18.Bd3 Bd6 19.f3=] 18.Bxc6
(Text cont. next col.)**

(Cont. from prev. col.) [Better is
18.Qc4!? should not be overlooked
18...Kb8 19.Bd5=] **18...Qxc6
19.Rfc1 [19.Qd3!? should be
examined more closely.] 19...gxf5
20.f3?? [But even a better move
would not have saved the game.]
[Better is 20.Qf1] 20...d3+ [D]**



**21.Qe3 Bxe3+ 22.Bxe3 Kb8
23.cxd3 Qxf3 [D]**



24.Bxa7+ Kxa7 25.Rc2 Qxd3 [D]



[25...Qxd3 26.Rf2 Rxc2+ 27.Rxc2
Qd4+ 28.Kh1 Qxa1+ 29.Rg1 Qd4
30.h3 Rc8 31.Rg2 Rc1+ 32.Kh2 Qf4+
33.Rg3 Rc2+ 34.Kh1 Qf1+ 35.Rg1
Qxh3#] **0-1**

**This concludes this issue. More
games in next issue.**

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Other places to play chess:

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 Pennridge
Community Senior Center in
Silverdale. Located on route 113
near route 152

Wednesday evenings 7:30 to
10:00 PM, "Christ Reformed
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