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Newsletter of the North Penn Chess Club, Lansdale, PA – Winter 2021, Part 1

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This issue features games from the NPCC December 2020 Octagonal, ICCF games from Bernie Overly, and NPCC September Mini-Matches.

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!

Game from the NPCC 2020 Swiss Octagonal Tournament Round: 3

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

White: Joseph Mucerino (2107)

Black: Kevin Li (1928)

Date: 12/18/2020

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[D05: Colle System with ...e6] 1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 e6 3.e3 c5 4.c3 Nf6 5.Nbd2 Nc6 6.Bd3 Bd6 7.0-0 0-0 [D] (Next Col.) 8.dxc5 Bxc5 9.e4 dxe4 10.Nxe4 Nxe4 11.Bxe4 h6 12.Bf4 [12.Qxd8 Rxd8 13.Bf4 (13.Bxc6 bxc6 14.Bf4 f6 15.Rfd1 Bb7 16.Bc7 Rd5 17.c4 Rxd1+ 18.Rxd1 Re8, etc... Bauer,M (1579)-Huebben,D (1768) Dortmund 2011 ½-½ (65)) 13...Bd7 14.Rfd1 Be8 15.Ne5 f6 16.Nxc6 Bxc6 17.Bxc6 bxc6, etc... Aleskerov,F (2327)-Del Rio de Angelis,S (2512) Calvia

Position after Position after 7...0-0
(From prev. col.)



(Cont. from prev. col.) 12...Qe7N [D]



(Joe - This doesn't feel right, but it's difficult to suggest a better move. The computer says 12...g5, which I cannot recommend. Perhaps trading Queens is best.) [12...Qb6 13.b4 Be7 14.a4 Bf6 15.Rc1 a6 16.Qe2 e5 17.Be3 Qc7 18.a5 Re8 19.Rfd1 Be6, etc...Ferrufino,B (2231)-Saavedra,C (2319) Santa Cruz 2004 1-0 (34); 12...Re8 13.Re1 Qb6 14.Qe2 (Text cont. next col.)

(Cont. from prev. col.) Rd8 15.Rad1 Bd7 16.b4 Bf8 17.a4 a5 18.Be3 Qc7, etc... 1-0 (24) Rutz,M (1308)-Kropman,A (1381) Berlin 2006] 13.b4 Rd8 14.Qb3 [White is better.] 14...Bd6 15.Bxd6 Rxd6 16.b5 Nb8 [D]



17.c4?! (Joe - White loses about half of his advantage on this move. 17.Qb4 is the best move.) 17...Nd7 [D]



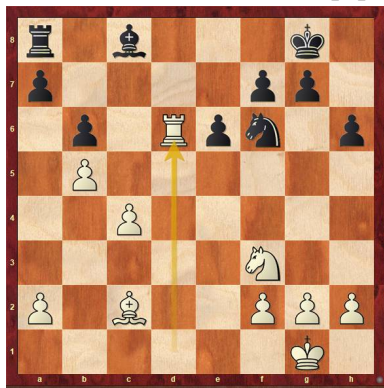
18.Qa3?! [D] (p.2) (Joe - Throwing away the rest of White's advantage. The rest of the game is equal.) [18.Qe3!+- aiming for c5. 18...Nf6 (Text cont. p.2)

January 2021 Announcement:
NPCC tournaments have been concluded for the year of 2020.
Notifications will be sent out via email as to when tournaments are
scheduled later in January 2021 and beyond.

Position after Position after 18.Qa3?!
(From p.1)



(Cont. from p.1) 19.c5] 18...Nf6!=
19.Bc2 Qc7 20.Rad1 Rxd1 21.Rxd1
b6 22.Qd6 Qxd6 23.Rxd6 [D]



[White wants to mate with Rd8+.] 23...Bb7
24.Ne5 [The position is equal.] 24...Rc8
25.f3 Kf8 26.Bd3 [D]



[Weighted Error Value:
White=0.15/Black=0.07] ½-½

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Game from the NPCC 2020 December Swiss Octagonal Tournament

Round: 2

Submitted by Shawn with selected Fritz
comments [shown thus]. (Text cont. next
col.)

(Cont. from prev. col.)

White: Kevin Li (1935)

Black: Shawn Curtis (1763)

Date: 12/11/2020

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able to play thru the moves.)

[B22: Sicilian: 2 c3] 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 g6
3.d4 Bg7 4.Be3 Nc6 5.c3 cxd4 6.cxd4
d5 [D]



7.exd5 Qxd5 8.Nc3 Qa5 [White is
slightly better.] [8...Qd8 9.Bc4 e6 10.0-0
Nge7 11.Rc1 0-0 12.Qd2 Nd5 13.Bh6 a6
14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Ne4 b5, etc...Novi,G
(1835)-Puricelli,R (1513) Robecchetto 2014
1-0] 9.Be2N [9.d5+= Ne5 10.Bb5+ Kf8
11.Nxe5 Bxe5 12.Bd4; 9.Bc4 Nf6 (9...Qb4
10.Qb3 Qxb3 11.Bxb3 Bg4, etc... Cobos Fal-
con,M (1915)-Dinayet,K (2042) France
2009 0-1] 10.0-0 Bg4 11.Qb3 0-0 12.Ng5
Nd8 13.Rac1 h6 14.Nge4 Nxe4 15.Nxe4
Qb6 16.Qa3 Bxd4, etc... Poeta,C (1907)-Bal-
lerini,R Sao Jose dos Campos 2012 1-0;
9.Bb5 Nf6 10.0-0 0-0 11.Bxc6 bxc6 12.Ne5
Qa6 13.Qa4 Nd5, etc... Kalashnikov,A
(2209)-Leon Hoyos,M (2542) ICC INT 2009
0-1 (67)] 9...Nf6 10.0-0 0-0 11.h3 Rd8
12.Qc1 [12.Bc4 deserves consideration.]
12...Nd5 [D]



13.Nxd5 Qxd5 14.Bc4 Qh5 15.Rd1 h6
[next ...Bxh3! is good for Black.] 16.Be2
Bxh3 [16...Be6=] 17.gxh3+- Qxh3
18.Rd3 [18.Rd2+-] 18...Rd5 [18...Qg4+!=
19.Kf1 Qh3+ 20.Kg1 Qg4+ 21.Kf1 Qh3+
22.Kg1] (Text cont. next col.)

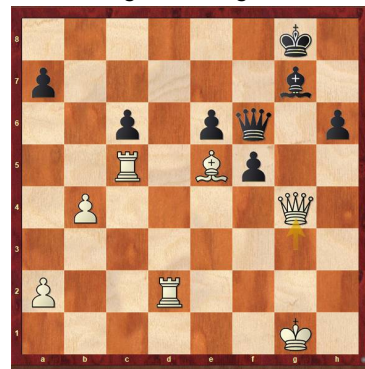
(Cont. from prev. col.) 19.Qf1 Qg4+
20.Qg2 [D]



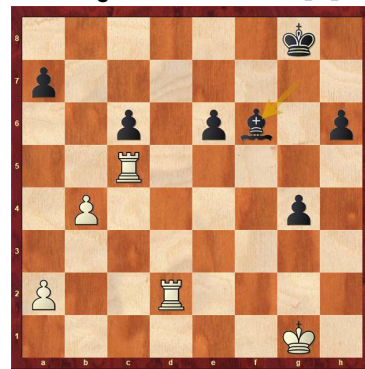
20...Qe4 21.Rad1 Rad8 22.R3d2 Qe6
[Better is 22...R5d6 23.Qh3 b6] 23.Bc4+-
Qf6 24.Bxd5 Rxd5 25.Ne5 e6
26.Nxc6 bxc6 27.b4 Qh4 28.Rc1 f5
[Better is 28...Bf8 29.a3 a5 30.bxa5 Rxa5
31.Rxc6 Qh5] 29.Qg3 [D]



[White is clearly winning.] 29...Qf6
30.Rc5 g5 31.f4 gxf4 32.Bxf4 Rxd4
33.Be5 Rg4 34.Qxg4 [D]



[White wants to mate with Qd4.]
34...fxg4 35.Bxf6 Bxf6 [D]



(Text cont. p.3)

(Cont. from p.2) [Weighted Error Value: White=0.19/Black=0.56] 1-0

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Game from the NPCC 2020 December Octagonal Tournament

Round: 2

Submitted by Olin with his comments and selected Fritz comments [shown thus].

White: Olin Mastin (1500)

Black: Bob Kampia (1700)

Date: 12/11/2020

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[A07: Réti Opening: New York and Capablanca Systems] 1.Nf3 Nc6 2.g3 d5 3.Bg2 Bg4 4.d3 [D]



4...Bxf3 (Olin - Typical Bob Kampia's style!) [4...Qd7 5.h3 Bh5 6.Nbd2 e5 7.c4 Nf6 8.cxd5 Nxd5 9.0-0 f6 10.Nc4 Be7 11.Bd2 Bf7 12.a3 0-0 13.Rc1 a5, etc...]

Theuretzbacher,K (2210)-Weinzettl,E (2275) Hartberg 1992 0-1 (33)] 5.Bxf3 e6N

[5...e5 6.Nd2 Qd7 7.c4 d4 8.a3 0-0 9.b4 Kb8 10.Nb3 Re8 11.b5 Nd8 12.Bd2 Qh3, etc... Michna,M (2332)-Kessler,B (2017) Hamburg 2014 1-0; 5...Ne5 6.Bg2 e6 7.Nd2 c6 8.e4 dxe4 9.Nxe4 Nf6 10.Nc3 Bb4 11.0-0 0-0 12.a3 Bc5, etc... Serov,M (2352)-Bubanjanja,M Budva 2009 1-0 (52); 5...Qd7 6.Nd2 0-0 7.0-0 e5 8.e3 d4 9.Bg4 f5 10.Bh3 dxe3 1-0 (10) Prosch,F (1151)-Boerner,N (728) Neumuenster 2003] 6.Nd2 Nf6 7.0-0 Bc5 8.Re1 [White is slightly better.] 8...0-0 9.e4 [D] (Next col.)

9...dxe4 10.Nxe4 Nxe4 11.Bxe4 Qf6 [D] (Next col.) 12.Qf3? (Olin - I looked at 12.Bxh7, but never realizing I could have won a pawn as Fritz points out, I win the piece back!) (Text cont. next col.)

Position after Position after 9.e4
(From prev. col.)



Position after Position after
11...Qf6 (From prev. col.)



(Cont. from prev. col.) [12.Bxh7+ keeps more tension. 12...Kxh7 13.Qh5+ Kg8 14.Qxc5 Rfe8 15.Re4] 12...Qxf3 13.Bxf3 Nd4 14.Bd1! [D]



14...Nf5 15.c3 Rad8 16.d4 Bb6 17.Bg5 Nd6? [D]

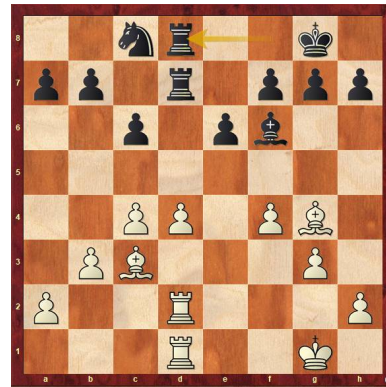


[17...Rd7+=] 18.Bg4? (Text cont. next col.)

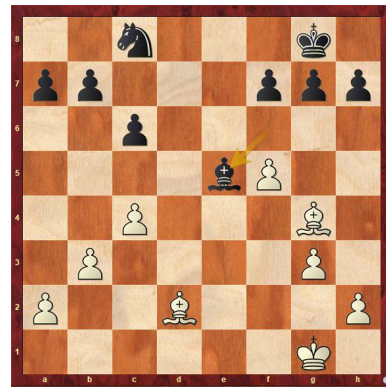
(Cont. From prev. col.) (Olin - I don't know what I thought was wrong with 18.Bxd8!) [18.Bxd8+- is more deadly. 18...Rxd8 19.Bc2] 18...Rde8 19.Re2 c6 20.Rae1 Bd8 21.Bf4 Nc4 22.b3 Nb6 23.c4 Be7 [D]



24.Bd2 Rd8 25.Bc3 Bf6 26.Rd1 Rd7 27.Red2 Nc8 28.f4 Rfd8 [D]



29.f5? (Olin - Not the best move here!) 29...e5! (Olin - Bob very easily neutralizes!) 30.dxe5 Rxd2 31.Rxd2 Rxd2 32.Bxd2 Bxe5+= [D]



[Endgame KBB-KBN] (Olin - I think from here on out the game is destined to be a draw!) 33.f6 Nd6 34.fxg7 Kxg7 35.Be3 f5 [D] (p.4) 36.Bf3 [36.Bh3!+-] 36...a6 37.Kf2 Kg6 38.Bc5 [38.Ke2+=] 38...Ne8 [38...Ne4+= 39.Bxe4 fxe4] 39.Be3 [White should try 39.Ke2+=] 39...Nc7 [39...Nd6=] 40.Bb6 Ne6 41.Be3? (Olin - Bad move! This loses any advantage that two Bishops may have had!) (Text cont. p.4)

Position after 35...f5 (From p.3)



(Cont. from p.3) [41.Kg2+= is more appropriate.] 41...Bd4! 42.Ke2 Bxe3 43.Kxe3 Kg5 [Black should play 43...a5=] 44.h3 [44.b4+=] 44...h6 [The position is equal.] 45.h4+ Kg6 46.g4 Kf6 [D]



[Accuracy: White = 60%, Black = 55%.] ½-½
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Game from the ICCF IV Argentine Cup - 75th Anniversary Tournament

Submitted by Bernie with selected Fritz comments [shown thus].

White: IM Juan Martello, (2371)
Black: Bernard Overly, (1817)
Date: 6/30/2020

[D25: Queen's Gambit Accepted: 4 e3: side-lines and 4...Bg4] 1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.e3 b5 5.a4 b4 [D] (Next col.) 6.Bxc4 e6 7.0-0 Be7 8.Qe2 [White has an edge.] 8...0-0 9.Nbd2 Bb7 10.Rd1 c5 (Next col.) 13...cxd4 14.Nfxd4 Rac8 15.Rac1 [Hoping for Nxe6!] 15...Qb8 16.Ba6 Nc5 [D] (Next col.) 17.Bxb7 Qxb7 18.Nxc5 Bxc5 19.Nb3 Bd6N [19...Be7 20.a6 Qb8 21.Qf3 Bd6 22.g3 Qb6 (Text cont. next col.)

(Position after 5...b4 (From prev. col.)



(Position after 13.Bd2 (From prev. col.)



(Position after 16...Nc5 (From prev. col.)



(Cont. from prev. col.) 23.Qe2 Ne4 24.Be1 Rfd8, etc... 1-0 (29) Bellaiche, A (2499)-Stigar,P (2214) London 2017] 20.a6 [With initiative] [White has the initiative.] 20...Qb8 21.g3 h6 22.e4 Rfd8 [D]



[Better is 22...Be5+=] 23.Be3 [Better is 23.Na5!] (Text cont. next col.)

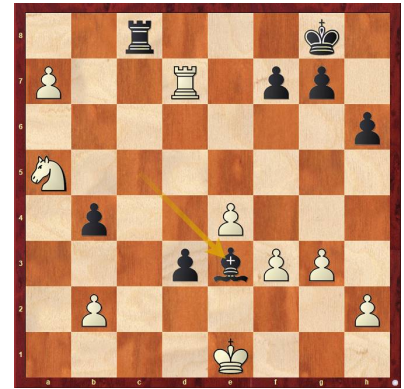
(Cont. from prev. col.) 23...Rxc1 [Black should play 23...Nxe4 24.Rxc8 Rxc8] 24.Rxc1+- Qa8 25.f3 Ne8 26.Na5 Bf8 27.Qb5 Nd6 28.Qc6 Qb8 [D]



[Better is 28...e5 29.Qxa8 Rxa8] 29.Qc7!+- Qxc7 [Better is 29...f5 30.Qxb8 (30.Bxa7 Qxc7 31.Rxc7 Nb5+; 30.Qxa7 Qxa7 31.Bxa7 Ra8+=) 30...Rxb8] 30.Rxc7 Nb5 31.Rb7 Nd4 32.Rxa7 [Threatens to win with Nb7.] 32...e5 [D]



33.Bxd4 exd4 34.Kf1 d3 [And now ...d2 would win.] 35.Ke1 Rc8 36.Rd7 Bc5 37.a7 [D]



[Accuracy: White = 79%, Black = 67%.] [Resist 37.Rxd3?! Ra8+-] 1-0

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Game from the ICCF World Cup 23, Section 4, Tournament

Submitted by Bernie with selected Fritz comments [shown thus].

White: SIM Dmitry Viktorovich Morozov (2481)

Black: Bernard Overly (1840)

Date: 9/30/2020

[B80: Sicilian Scheveningen: 6 g3 and 6 Be3, including English Attack]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 [D]



3...cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.f3 e6 7.Be3 b5 8.Qd2 Nbd7 9.g4 Nb6 10.a4 Nc4 [D]



11.Bxc4 bxc4 12.0-0-0 [The position is equal.] [12.0-0 Bb7 13.g5 Nd7 14.f4 Nc5 15.Qg2 g6 16.Rad1 Qc7 17.Qg4 h6, etc... Anand,V (2769)-Kasparov,G (2851) Kopavogur 2000 0-1; 12.a5 Qc7 13.Na4 Nd7 14.Ne2 Be7 15.0-0-0 0-0 16.Nb6 Rb8, etc... Mullick,R (2399)-Ferrec,N (2445) Djenovici 2019 1/2-1/2] 12...Qc7 13.g5N [13.e5 dxe5 14.Ndb5 axb5 15.Nxb5 Qe7 16.Bc5 Rxa4 17.b3 Ra1+ 18.Kb2 Rxd1, etc... De la Villa Garcia,J (2475)-Yudasin,L (2615) Pamplona 1990 CBM 021 [Boensch,U] 0-1] 13...Nd7 14.Rhe1 Rb8 [14...Qb7= remains equal.] 15.Nf5! [With initiative] [D] (Next col.) [White has strong initiative.] 15...Qb7 [15...exf5 Fritz 17: 16.exf5 Ne5 17.Nd5 Qc6 18.Ba7 c3 19.Nxc3 Rb7 20.Rxe5+ Be7 21.Rxe7+ Rxe7 22.Bd4 0-0 23.f6, etc...] 16.Nxd6+ Bxd6 17.Qxd6 Qxb2+ 18.Kd2 [D] (Next col.) [Black must now prevent Rb1.] 18...Qb4 (Text cont. next col.)

(Position after 15.Nf5! (From prev. col.)



(Position after 18.Kd2 (From prev. col.)



(Cont. from prev. col.) [Don't blunder 18...Rb3? 19.Bd4+-] 19.Bf4 [And now Qd4 would win.] 19...Qxd6+ 20.Bxd6 Rb6 21.Ke3 f6 [Black should try 21...h6] 22.gxf6 gxf6 23.Rg1 [Hoping for Rg7.] 23...Kf7 [D]



24.f4 Rb2 25.Rd2 [Threatens to win with Rdg2.] 25...Rg8 [25...h5+- keeps fighting. 26.Rdg2 Rh7] 26.Rxg8+- Kxg8 [D]



(Text cont. next col.)

(Cont. from prev. col.) 27.a5! Kf7 [D]



28.Rd4! Ke8 29.Kd2 Kd8 30.Rxc4 Rb7 31.e5 f5 32.Ne2 Nb8 33.Nd4 Bd7 [D]



34.Kc3 Ke8 35.Bxb8 Rxb8 36.Rb4 Rxb4? [36...Rc8+ 37.Kd3 Rc5] 37.Kxb4 Kd8 38.c4 [Accuracy: White = 96%, Black = 60%.] 1-0 (Editor note: Final diagram was inadvertently omitted) Copy and paste the link below into your browser:

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Game from the USA Under-2000 Championship Section 2 ICCF Tournament

Submitted by Bernie with selected Fritz comments [shown thus].

White: Shane Overturf, (1730)

Black: Bernard L. Overly (1844)

Date: 1/6/2021

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[C47: Scotch Four Knights and Four Knights with 4 g3] 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.d4 [D] (p.6) 4...exd4 5.Nd5 Nb4 [D] (p.6) 6.Nxf6+ Qxf6 7.Bc4 Bc5 8.0-0 d6! [D] (p.6) 9.e5 [Black is slightly better.] 9...dxe5 10.a3 [D] (p.6) [Strongly threatening Bg5.] 10...Nc6 11.Ng5 h6 12.Bxf7+ Kf8 13.f4? [D] (p.6) [Only move: 13.Ne4+= Qxf7 14.Nxc5] (Text cont. p.6)

(Position after 4.d4 (From p.5)



(Position after 5...Nb4 (From p.5)



(Position after 8...d6! (From p.5)



(Position after 10.a3 (From p.5)



(Cont. from p.5) 13...hxg5-- 14.fxg5 d3+ [D] (Next col.) 15.Kh1 Qd6 16.Bg6+N [16.cxd3 keeps fighting. 16...Qd4 17.Bg6+ Ke7 18.Rf7+ Kd6 19.Qe1; 16.b4 Bb6 17.c4 Qd4 18.c5 Ke7 19.Ra2 Qh4, etc... 0-1 (27) Georg,H (2230)-Zelbel,P (2193) Germany 2008] 16...Ke7 17.Rf7+ Kd8 18.Bxd3 [D] (Next col.) [Intending g6.] 18...Be6 [Stronger than 18...e4 19.Bf4+=] 19.Rf1 Kd7 [D] (Next col.) (Text cont. next col.)

(Position after 3.f4? (From p.5)



(Position after 14...d3+ (From prev. col.)



(Position after 18.Bxd3 (From prev. col.)



(Position after 19...Kd7 (From prev. col.)



(Cont. from prev. col.) [Aiming for ...Nd4.] [Weaker is 19...e4 20.Bf4-+] 20.Bf5? [20.Qe1 might work better.] 20...Bxf5 [Black is clearly winning.] (Text cont. next col.)

(Cont. from prev. col.) 21.Qxd6+ Bxd6 22.Rxf5 e4 [D]



[Accuracy: White = 50%, Black = 93%.]

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Game from the USA Under-2000 Championship Section 2 ICCF Tournament

Submitted by Bernie with selected Fritz comments [shown thus].

White: Bernard Overly (1844)

Black: Steve Jatkowski (1813)

Date: 1/13/2021

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[C24: Bishop's Opening: 2...Nf6] 1.e4 e5 2.Bc4 Nf6 3.d3 h6 4.Nc3 Bb4 5.Nge2 0-0 [5...Nc6 6.0-0 Bxc3 7.Nxc3 d6 8.f4 Bg4 9.Qe1 Nd4 10.Qf2 Qe7 11.Be3 c5, etc... Handler,A (1758)-Harris Iii,W (1233) San Francisco 2017 1-0 (38)] 6.0-0 Nc6 7.a3N [D]



[7.f4 d6 8.f5 Bc5+ 9.Kh1 Ng4 10.Qe1 Be3 11.h3 Bxc1 12.Rxc1 Ne3 13.Rf3 Nxc4, etc... Sitnikov, D-Permiakov,L Dagomys 2009 1/2-1/2 (44)] 7...Bxc3 8.Nxc3 (Text cont. p. 7)

(Cont. from p.6) [The position is equal.]
8...a6 9.f4 d6 10.f5 b5 11.Ba2 Bb7
12.Be3 Bc8 [Black should play
 12...Nb8+]=] **13.Rf3+-** [Strongly threaten-
 ing Nd5.] **13...Bb7** [13...b4+-]
14.Rg3+- Kh8 15.Nd5 [D]



[Hoping for Nxf6.] **15...Nxd5??**
 [15...Rb8+- is a better chance. 16.Nxf6
 Qxf6] **16.Bxd5** [Black must now prevent
 Qh5.] [Not 16.exd5 Nd4+-] **16...Qf6**
17.Qh5 [And now Bg5 would win.]
17...Nd8 18.Bg5 Qxg5 19.Rxg5 [D]



[White wants to mate with f6!] **19...Bxd5**
20.f6 [White mates.] **20...Ne6 21.Rxg7**
Nxg7 22.Qxh6+ [D]



[Accuracy: White = 93%, Black = 28%.]

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Game from the NPCC 2020 September Mini-Matches Tournament

Round: 1

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

White: Roman Goldovsky (2095)

Black: Joseph Mucerino (2108)

Date: 9/4/2020

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[B01: Scandinavian Defense] **1.e4 d5**
2.exd5 Nf6 3.d4 Bg4 4.f3 Bf5
5.Bb5+ Nbd7 [D]



6.c4 e6 7.dxe6 Bxe6 8.d5 Bf5 9.Nc3
Bc5 [D]

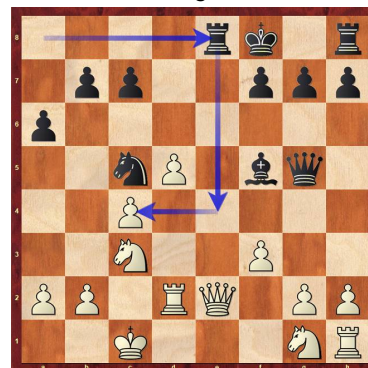


[Hoping for ...0-0. ...0-0 is the strong
 threat.] **10.Qe2+ Kf8** (Joe - 10...Qe7 is
 playable, but the text is the best move.)
 [10...Qe7 11.Bf4 0-0-0 12.Qxe7 (12.0-0-
 0 Rhe8 13.Qxe7 Rxe7 14.Bxd7+ Nxd7
 15.Nge2 Ne5 16.Ng3 Nd3+, etc...
 Savchenko,B (2602)-Rahmanov,S (2327)
 Canakkale 2017 1-0 (52)] **12...Bxe7 13.0-0**
0-0 Nb6 14.a4 Bb4 15.Na2 Be7 16.a5
Nbd7, etc... Oparin,G (2626)-Mos-
kalenko,A (2490) Moscow 2016 1-0 (63)]
11.Be3 a6N [White is slightly better.]
 [11...Qe7 12.Bxd7 Nxd7 13.Bxc5 Qxc5
 14.Qf2 (14.Ne4 Qb4+ 15.Qd2 a5
 (15...Qxc4 16.Rc1 Qb5 17.Ne2 Qb6 18.Qf4
 g6 19.Rxc7 Qxb2 20.Nd6 Ne5, etc...
 Zeller,F (2424)-Holzhaeuer,M (2372)
 Stuttgart 2004 0-1 (Text cont. next col.)

(Cont. from prev. col.) (58)] **16.Ne2**
Bxe4 17.fxe4 Nc5 18.Qxb4 axb4 19.0-0
Re8 20.a3 b3 21.Rf4 f6 22.Nd4 Kf7, etc...
Sveshnikov,E (2570)-Cebalo,M (2485)
Ljubljana 1997 ½-½) 14...Qxc4 15.Nge2
Qc5 16.0-0 Qxf2+ 17.Rxf2 Nb6, etc...
Westerinen,H (2355)-Disconzi da Silva,R
(2360) Albacete 1994 ½-½ (31)] **12.Bxd7
Nxd7 13.Bxc5+? [13.0-0-0+]=]
13...Nxc5= (Joe - Now Black has equal-
 ized despite being a Pawn down.)
14.0-0-0?? [D]**



(Joe - This probably should lose the
 game.) [White should play 14.Rd1=;
 14.Rd1=] **14...Qg5++ 15.Rd2 Re8** [D]



16.Ne4 Qg6?? [D]

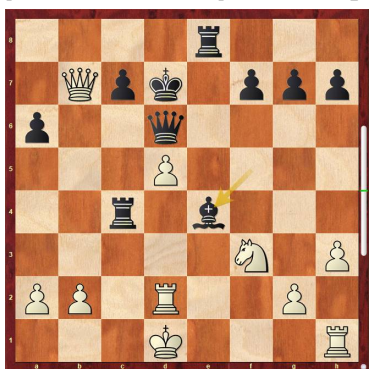


(Joe - Throwing away the win. I had too
 many options. I can capture on e4 in
 three different ways, play 16...Qh6 to
 keep the rook on d2 pinned, or play the
 text. The computer says that 16...Bxe4 is
 the best move. I rejected that because
 after 17.fxe4, White's Knight will easily
 develop to f3, and I didn't want that.) [
 Better is 16...Nxe4+ (Text cont. p.8)

(Cont. from p. 7) 17.fxe4 Rxe4; 16...Nxe4+ 17.fxe4 Rxe4] **17.Qf2?!** (Joe - A bit more accurate is 17.Qf1, keeping an eye on the Pawn on c4, but White wants to check on c5.) [17.Qf1!+= Bxe4 18.fxe4] **17...Nxe4 18.fxe4 Rxe4 19.Qc5+ Ke8 [D]**



(Joe - The computer agrees that the text is better than 19...Kg8.) **20.Nf3** [Better is 20.Ne2 Qb6 21.Qxb6 Rxc4+ 22.Kd1 cxb6 23.Rf1] **20...Qd6!** (Joe - I was unhappy when I played this move, but then it dawned on me that I will win a Pawn. If 21.Qxd6 Black throws in 21...Rxc4+ before recapturing the Queen.) **21.Qa7 Rxc4+ 22.Kd1 Kd7 23.Qxb7 Re8 24.h3 [24.Re1-+; 24.Re1-+] 24...Be4 [D]**



[White must now prevent ...Qg6. And now ...Qg6 would win.] **25.Rf1??** (Joe - This loses if Black plays accurately. White had to try 25.Qc6+ or 25.b3) [25.Qc6++ Rxc6 26.dxc6+ Kxc6 27.Rxd6+ Kxd6 28.Rf1; 25.Qc6++ Rxc6 26.dxc6+ Kxc6 27.Rxd6+ Kxd6 28.Rf1] **25...Bxf3+??** (Joe - I had the right idea but the wrong execution. Black wants to play ...Qb1 mate. 25...Qg6 first was the correct way to achieve this.) [25...Qg6-+ is more deadly. (-> ...Bxf3+) 26.Qc6+ Rxc6 27.dxc6+ Kc8; 25...Qg6-+ (-> ...Bxf3+) 26.Qc6+ Rxc6 27.dxc6+ Kc8] **26.Rxf3 Qg6 27.Rdd3 [D]** (Next col.) (Joe - I missed this move. It's the only one that doesn't lose immediately.) **27...Qxg2??** (Joe - Here I missed a simple tactic. It's still a ballgame after 27...Ree4.) [27...Ree4!-+ 28.Qa7 Rf4; 27...Ree4-+ 28.Qa7 Rf4] **28.Rxf7+- Re7 29.Rxe7+ Kxe7 30.d6+! [D]** (Next col.) (Text cont. next col.)

(Position after 27.Rdd3 (From prev. col.)



(Position after 30.d6+! (From prev. col.)



(Cont. from prev. col.)

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Game from the NPCC 2020 September Mini-Matches Tournament

Round: 2

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

White: Joseph Mucerino (2108)

Black: Roman Goldovsky (2095)

Date: 9/4/2020

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[D05: Colle System with ...e6] **1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 d5 3.e3 c5 4.c3 Nc6 [D]** (Next col.) **5.dxc5** (Joe - Varying from 5.Bd3 that I've played against Goldovsky's buddy, Daniel Girsh.) **5...a5** (Joe - Black wants to prevent b4, protecting White's extra Pawn.) **6.Bb5 e6 7.Ne5?N** (Joe - White should simply play 7.b4.) (Text cont. next col.)

(Position after 4...Nc6 (From prev. col.)



(Cont. from prev. col.) [7.b4!+= Be7 (7...Bd7 8.Bb2 b6 9.Bxc6 Bxc6 10.Nd4 Qd7 11.cxb6 axb4 12.0-0 Ba4 13.Qf3 e5 14.Nf5 Bc2 15.Ng3 h5, etc...]

Harikrishna,P (2726)-Caruana,F (2828) Saint Louis 2019 0-1 (34) 8.Bb2 0-0 9.a3 Qc7 10.0-0 Rd8 11.Nbd2 e5 12.h3 e4 13.Nd4 Ne5 14.Qb3 g5, etc... Bordovsky,V (2326)-Razin,V (2379) Lutsk 2018 1-0; 7.b4!+=]

7...Qc7= 8.Qa4 [The position is equal.] **8...Qxe5 9.Bxc6+ [D]**



9...Nd7 10.Bxb7 Bxb7 11.c6 Bc8 12.cxd7+ Bxd7 13.Qd4 [D]



13...Qh5 [Black has compensation.] **14.0-0 Bd6 [D]** (p. 9) (Joe - Black has great development for his lost Pawn.) **15.f4! 0-0 16.b3 a4** [And now ...axb3 would win. ...axb3 is the strong threat.] **17.Ba3 axb3! 18.Bxd6? [D]** (p. 9) (Text cont. p. 9)

(Position after 14...Bd6 (From p.8)



(Position after 18.Bxd6? (From p.8)



(Cont. from p.8) (Joe - A miscalculation. White should simply recapture the Pawn.) [18.axb3= Bxa3 19.Nxa3; 18.axb3= remains equal. 18...Bxa3 19.Nxa3] **18...b2!**[With initiative] [D]



[Black is on the roll.] **19.Bxf8** [D]



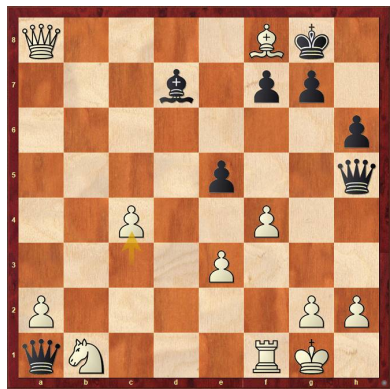
19...e5! 20.Qxd5 [But not 20.Qxe5? 20.Qxd5 -0.92 20...Qxe5 21.fxe5 bxa1Q-+; Don't go for 20.Qxe5? Qxe5 21.fxe5 bxa1Q-+]]

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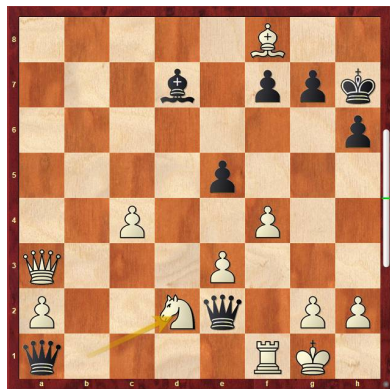
(Cont. from prev. col.) **20...bxa1Q 21.Qxa8** [D]



[Be7+ would kill now.] **21...h6 22.c4** [D]



[22.Bb4+-+ Kh7 23.Nd2] **22...Kh7!**-+ [White must now prevent ...exf4.] **23.Qa3??** (Joe - This loses. I was trying to trap the queen on a1. White had to play 23.Qd5.) [23.Qd5+-+ is tougher. 23...Bf5 24.Nd2 (24.Qxe5? 24.Nd2 -1.03 24...Qxe5 25.fxe5 Bd3-+) **23...Qe2** [(-> ...Bc6)] **24.Nd2** [D]



24...Bc6! 25.e4 Qd4+! [D] (Next col.) (Joe - I missed this in my calculations.) [Weighted Error Value: White=0.87/Black=0.04.] **0-1**

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(Position after 25...Qd4+! (From prev. col.)



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