

”Dan-Constantin Gurgui – 50” Jubilee Tourney 2013 – h#2

Final award September 14th, 2014



Dan-Constantin Gurgui



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International
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During 2013 in “e4 e5” were published 67 originals h#2. I excluded following problems: no.386 Zoltan Labai anticipated by Lovorko Franić 1415 Rokada 1983 (A), no.400 Aleksandr Pankratiev & Michail Gershinsky anticipated by Michal Dragoun Mat-Pat 1994 (B), no.404 Aleksandr Pankratiev & Michail Gershinsky anticipated by Claude Goumondy 401 Diagrammes 1977 (C) and no.412 Sergey Rumjancev self-anticipated, problem is also published as: Sp. Com Uralski Skazji 2000. The level of the tourney is good. My main criteria in judging were originality, complexity, economy, and the overall artistic effect. From the rest problems I proposal following ranking.

1st Prize – no. 396 Abdelaziz Onkoud: TF-helpmate with two pairs of thematically connected solutions. Capture of a white piece, double self-block on d4 and play in W1 move on the same square g5 is shown in the 1st pair, while the 2nd pair presents combination of the themes: Zilahi and Nahnybida. Model mates, capture of a white piece and black self-block connects all solutions. An open position without pieces on squares around the BK. I. 1.Sxb5 Rg5 2.Sd4 Sc5#; II. 1.hxg1B Bg5 2.Bd4 Sd2#; III. 1.Bxb5 Sf3 2.Bd3 Sg5#; IV. 1.hxg1S Bd7 2.Sf3 Bf5#.

2nd Prize – no. 414 Janos Csak: A setting of difficult task of three pairs of thematically connected solutions with using of the same mechanism, white line pieces Re8, Bf8 in an open and economical position. Double BQ anticipatory self-pin and pin-mates is achieved in the 1st pair. Black self-block and mates by the white thematic pieces is presented in the 2nd pair, while the 3rd pair shows alternate capturing of the white thematic pieces and double white Q promotion. I. 1.Qe6 Rd3+ 2.Ke5 Bd6#; II. 1.Qd6 Rxa4+ 2.Kc5 Re5#; III. 1.Sf6 exf5 2.Sd5 Re4#; IV. 1.Qxb6+ Kxb6 2.Bc4 Bc5#; V. 1.Bxe8 fxe8Q 2.Kc4 Qxa4#; VI. 1.Sxf8 gxf8Q 2.Bd7 Qb4#.

3rd Prize – no. 415 Vitaly Medintsev: An original setting of double anticipatory self-pin of BQ with alternate capturing of the white line pieces Rd6/Be6 and play of the BQ along the pin-lines. Complete diagonal/orthogonal harmony between solutions, pin-mates and reciprocally changed functions of two pairs of white line pieces in an open and well constructed position without white pawns. I. 1.Qxd6 Bf5+ 2.Kd4 Qc5#; II. 1.Qxe6 Rd4+ 2.Kf5 Rf8#.

Abdelaziz ONKOUD
(MOROCCO)
1st Prize

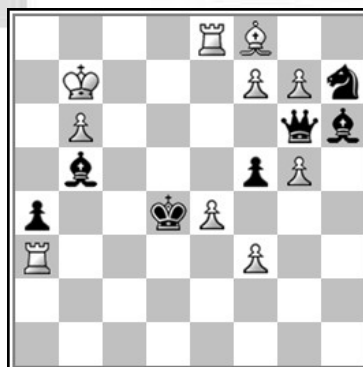
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Janos CSAK
(HUNGARY)
2nd Prize

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h#2 6.1.1.1. (10+7)

Vitaly MEDINTSEV
(RUSSIA)
3rd Prize

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h#2 2.1.1.1. (6+12)



1st Honourable Mention – no. 419 Christer Jonsson: Combination of black and white Pawn's one-two play with mixed Valve, gate-opening, black self-block, reciprocal dual avoidance and anti-dual battery mates. Well matched black and white play between solutions in an excellently constructed Meredith position. I. 1.f6 Qh7 (1. ... Qg7?) 2.b2 d4 (2. ... d3?)#; II. 1.f5 Qg7 (1. ... Qh7?) 2.bxc2 d3 (2. ... d4?)#.

2nd Honourable Mention – no.380 Menachem Witztum: Presentation of black self-block with cyclic changed functions of the white pieces Sb5(A), Pc2(B) and Rf3 (C) (pasive guard, active guard and mate): ABC - BCA - CAB in a well constructed Meredith position. I. 1.Sh5 c4 2.Sf4 Re3#; II. 1.Bf4 Rxd3 2.e5 Sd6#; III. 1.Sf5 Sc7 2.Sd4 cxd3#

3rd Honourable Mention – no. 381 Luis Miguel Martin: A diagonal orthogonal setting of black Grimshaw on d5 and black check avoidance with black anticipatory interference. Reciprocally changed functions of the white S/R. I. 1.e6 Sxc2 2.Rd5 Tf3#; II.1.Bc7 Rd1 2.Bd5 Sxb5#.

Christer JONSSON
(SWEDEN)

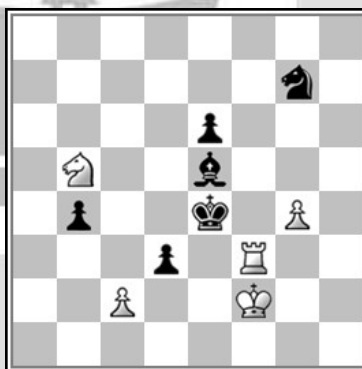
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Menachem WITZTUM
(ISRAEL)

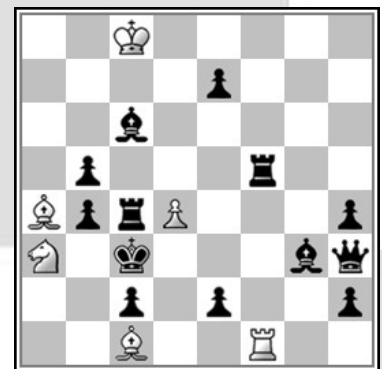
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h#2 3.1.1.1. (5+6)

Luis Miguel MARTIN
(SPAIN)

3rd Honourable Mention
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h#2 2.1.1.1. (6+13)

Special Honourable Mention – no. 416 Vitaly Medintsev: (After Chris Feather). TF-helpmate with two pairs of thematically connected solutions and using of a well known mechanism. Black square vacation, black interference, white square vacation and W1 move on the same square is presented in the 1st pair. 2nd pair shows white reciprocal battery creation with white Grimshaw on e6, double anticipatory self-block by the BD and alternate capturing of the WTe4 & WLe3. Well diagonal/orthogonal matched solutions and reciprocally changed functions of two pairs white T/L. The Chumakov theme connect both pairs of solutions.

I. 1.Ba6 Rxc1 2.Rb5 Bc4#; II. 1.Bg1 Bxc1 2.Rf2 Re3#; III. 1.Qc3 Re6 2.Kxc4 Rd6#; IV. 1.Qd2 Be6 2.Kxe3 Bf5#.

1st Commendation – no. 368 Shaul Shamir: Presentation of black self-unpin/self-pin combination with black complex pin by alternate annihilation capturing of the black initially pinned Knights, gate-opening, black Leibovici interference and model double pin-mates in an economical and well constructed position without white pawns. I. 1.Rbe4 Qxc5+ 2.Se5 Qf2#; II. 1.Be5 Qxd3+ 2.Se4 Qf1#.

2nd Commendation – no. 393 Michael Shapiro: Combination of double black half-pin, black check avoidance with black anticipatory interference, self-block and double pin-mates. a) 1.Sde6 Bg2 2.Bf5 Bf3#; b) 1.e3 Bd3 2.Sgf3 Bf5#.

Vitaly MEDINTSEV
(RUSSIA)

Special Honourable Mention
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h#2 4.1.1.1. (7+12)

Shaul SHAMIR
(ISRAEL)

1st Commendation
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h#2 2.1.1.1. (4+10)

Michael SHAPIRO
(ISRAEL)

2nd Commendation
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h#2 (7+11)

b) ♖g1 → e7

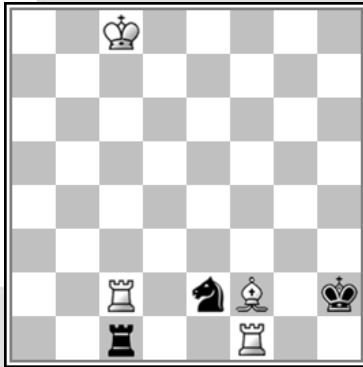
3rd Commendation – no. 409 Jaroslav Štůň: An unusual aristocratic miniature with white masked battery mechanism and Forsberg twins. a) I. 1.Sf4 Rxccl 2.Sg2 Th1#; II. 1.Sc3 Bg1+ 2.Kh1 Rh2#; b) I. 1.Sf4 Rc3 2.Sg2 Sg4#; II. 1.Sg1 Se4+ 2.Kh1 Sg3#; c) I. 1.Re3 Rxfcl 2.Rh3 Bh4#; II. 1.Rxf2 Rff2+ 2.Kh1 Rxc1# f4#.

4th Commendation – no. 375 Shaul Shamir: Combination of Chumakov theme with white indirect battery creation by alternate annihilation capture of BR & BS, double self-block on g3 and model mates in a Meredith position. a) 1.Sh5 Sxd4 2.Sg3 Sf3#; b) 1.Rd3 Sxf4 2.Rg3 Sg6#.

5th Commendation – no. 374 Francesco Simoni: A diagonal/orthogonal Meredith setting of white indirect unpin and black self-block with reciprocally changed functions of the BSa6 & BRb1 and model mates. I. 1.Sb8 Sd6 2.Tb6 Se4#; II. 1.Rb2 c4 2.Sb4 Se6#.

Jaroslav ŠTŮŇ
(SLOVAKIA)
3rd Commendation

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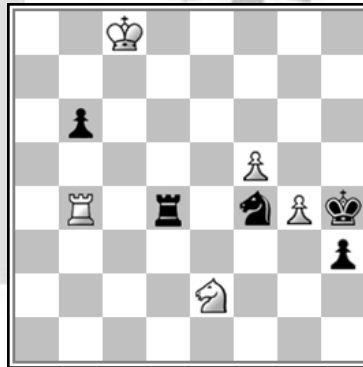


h#2 (4+3)

b) ♖f2 = ♗ c) ♜e2 = ♚

Shaul SHAMIR
(ISRAEL)
4th Commendation

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h#2 (5+5)

b) ♖c8 → f6

Francesco SIMONI
(ITALY)
5th Commendation

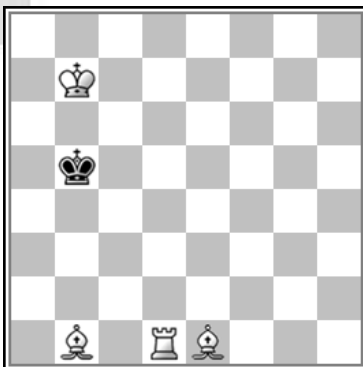
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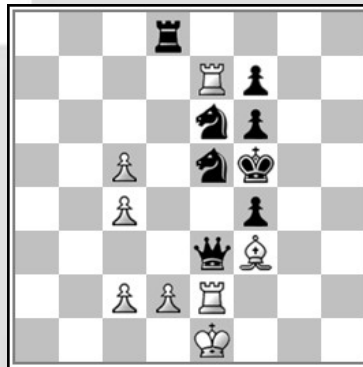
APPENDIX

A) Lovorko Franić
1415 Rokada 1983



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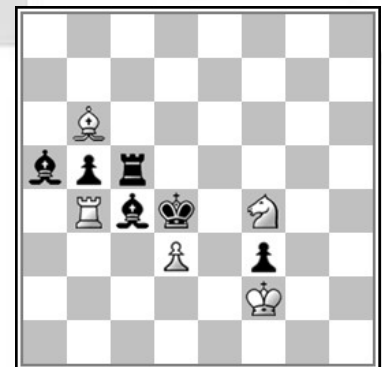
B) Michal Dragoun
Mat-Pat 1994



h#2 (8+8)

b) ♖f3 → b1

C) Claude Goumondy
401 Diagrammes 1977



h#2 (5+6)

b) ♜e5

A) *1. ... Ba2 2.Kc5 Rd5#; *1. ... Rd5+ 2.Kc4 Ba2#; I/ 1.Kc4(a) Ba2+(A) 2.Kc5(b) Rd5#(B); II/ 1.Kc5(b) Rd5+(B) 2.Kc4(a) Ba2#(A).

B) a) 1.Sd4 Bg4+ 2.Ke4 d3#; b) 1.Sd7 c3+ 2.Ke5 d4#.

C) a) 1. Bxb4 Bd8 2. Bd5 Bf6#, b) 1. Bxb6 Rb3 2. Rd5 Se6#.

