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## Current Standings

### NEAR WEST DIVISION 04-09-2002

TEAM NAME	W	L	D	GAME	MATCH	PCT
				POINTS	POINTS	
LUCENT TECH. CHARGERS	10	0	0	39.5	10.0	1.000
PAWNS	5	3	2	33.5	6.0	0.600
CASE	1	7	2	24.0	2.0	0.200
COOK CO. DEPT. OF CORR	2	8	0	23.0	2.0	0.200

### FAR WEST DIVISION 04-09-2002

TEAM NAME	W	L	D	GAME	MATCH	PCT
				POINTS	POINTS	
FERMILAB	6	3	2	36.0	7.0	0.636
LUCENT TECH. TYROS	4	4	3	30.5	5.5	0.500
LUCENT TECH. DRAGONS	4	5	2	32.5	5.0	0.455
ARGONNE ROOKS	3	5	3	33.0	4.5	0.409

### NORTH DIVISION 04-09-2002

TEAM NAME	W	L	D	GAME	MATCH	PCT
				POINTS	POINTS	
UOP	8	0	1	36.5	8.5	0.944
EXCALIBURS	6	1	2	35.5	7.0	0.778
MOTOROLA KNIGHTS	3	3	3	30.5	4.5	0.500
MOTOROLA KINGS	3	5	2	29.5	4.0	0.400
KEMPER INSURANCE	2	6	2	22.5	3.0	0.300
NORTHROP	1	8	0	13.5	1.0	0.111

### EAST DIVISION 04-09-2002

TEAM NAME	W	L	D	GAME	MATCH	PCT
				POINTS	POINTS	
ALUMNI ACES	6	0	2	39.5	7.0	0.875
WOLVERINE TRADING	3	1	3	24.5	4.5	0.643
CITADEL GROUP	2	3	1	13.0	2.5	0.417
THE READER	2	5	0	8.5	2.0	0.286
LEO BURNETT	1	5	0	11.5	1.0	0.167

## Top Ten / Most Improved Players

### NEAR WEST DIVISION TOP TEN

JAKSTAS, K	PAWNS	2129C
WILLIAMS, K	CCDOC	2098
WARREN, J	CHRGR	2082Q
MARCOWKA, R	CHRGR	1992D
STINSON, M	CHRGR	1952C
ELLICE, W	PAWNS	1888
KALE, S	CASE	1867C
FRAATS, D	CASE	1851C
DOBROVOLNY, C	CHRGR	1846C
ROSLEY, D	CHRGR	1790

### FAR WEST DIVISION TOP TEN

BEZZUBOV, V	FERMI	2261
DORIGO, T	FERMI	2155
BENEDEK, R	ROOKS	2105D
KOZLOVSKY, M	FERMI	2092
TEGEL, F	DRGNS	2083T
SPIEGEL, L	FERMI	2036D
HILL, R	ROOKS	2024C
DIAZ, P	TYROS	1991C
LUDWIG, T	DRGNS	1961C
PEHAS, A	DRGNS	1931C

### NORTH DIVISION TOP TEN

WOLF, D	MKING	2320
INUMERABLE, F	EXCLB	2283C
STEVANOVIC, M	UOP	2246D
MORRIS, R	MKNGT	2173
FRIDMAN, Y	MKNGT	2074
WALLACH, C	MKING	2049
BUERGER, E	UOP	2040T
FRISKE, T	EXCLB	2018C
SIWEK, M	KEMPR	2002C
MELNIKOV, I	MKING	1995

### EAST DIVISION TOP TEN

VOLYNSKIY, G	WOLVE	2547*
REYES, R	ALUMN	2286D
BENESA, A	ALUMN	2224
JASAITIS, A	WOLVE	2131D
LANG, R	READR	2076
GAZMEN, E	ALUMN	2054
SANTIAGO, T	ALUMN	2033
SAGALOVSKY, L	WOLVE	1985
CZERNIECKI, A	ALUMN	1948D
ALLEN, H	ALUMN	1947

### MOST IMPROVED PLAYERS

SALERNO, S	DRGNS	129
MOSSBRIDGE, A	KEMPR	99
WALLACH, C	MKING	90
VIGANTS, A	NORTH	79
GOMEZ, G	FERMI	71
HILL, R	ROOKS	66
BOLDINGH, E	UOP	66
SUAREZ, E	ROOKS	63
STAPLES, C	FERMI	54
MARSHALL, K	MKNGT	54

## Match Results

(\* This board 7 game from 04-MAR-02 was accidentally ommitted from \*)  
 (\* the previous ratings list. \*)

### 04-MAR-02 LUCENT TECH. TYROS

### LUCENT TECH. DRAGONS

ROUND 9

BD	RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS	SCORE
7 SAVCIC,V	1125	-9 0	BREYER,A	1366 9 1

(\* This board 6 game from 11-MAR-02 was rerated to reflect \*)  
 (\* A. Breyer's corrected rating. \*)

### 11-MAR-02 LUCENT TECH. DRAGONS

### LUCENT TECH. TYROS

ROUND 10

BD	RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS	SCORE
6 BREYER,A	1375	-8 0	HAHNE,D	1638 8 1

(\* CHICAGO READER WAS PENALIZED 1 GAME POINT FOR THE BOARD 2 UPPER \*)  
 (\* BOARD FORFEIT. \*)

### 04-MAR-02 THE READER

1

### LEO BURNETT

3

ROUND 7

BD	RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS	SCORE
1 LANG,R	2080-15	.5	EAMAN,R	1821 15 .5
2	0 0	0F	DUFFY,J	1743 0 1F
3 SULLIVAN,C	1505 16	1	FULKERSON,R	1397-16 0
4 MARSH,M	1164 6	.5	BANNON,B	1248 -6 .5
5 BROIHIER,M	1131-12	0	DOMINGUEZ,R	1307 12 1
6	0 0	0F		0 0 0F

### 20-MAR-02 ALUMNI ACES

5.5

### THE READER

.5

ROUND 9

BD	RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS	SCORE
1 BENESA,A	2235-11	.5	LANG,R	2065 11 .5
2 SANTIAGO,T	2026 7	1	BRASWELL,I	1744 -7 0
3 ALLEN,H	1936 11	1	VENSKE,D	1740-11 0
4 FRANK,M	1746 10	1	SULLIVAN,C	1521-10 0
5 FRANEK,M	1716 7	1	CARTER,L	1510-11 0
6 DAVIDSON,M	1609 3	1	MARSH,M	1170 -3 0

### 04-APR-02 WOLVERINE TRADING

5

### CITADEL GROUP

1

ROUND 9

BD	RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS	SCORE
1 VOLYNSKIY,G	2546 1	1	HAYHURST,W	1889 -1 0
2 JASAITIS,A	2127 4	1	SENSAT,J	1781 -5 0
3 SAGALOVSKY,L	1985 0	1	KISH,C	0 0 0
4	0 0	0F	MAGEE,M	0 0 1F
5 KRATKA,M	1633 0	1	FOLEY,M	0 0 0
6 LANSING,J	1494 0	1	SANDLER,M	0 0 0

## Match Results

<b>21-FEB-02</b>	<b>MOTOROLA KNIGHTS</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>MOTOROLA KINGS</b>	<b>2</b>	
ROUND 8					
BD		RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS	SCORE
1	FRIDMAN, Y	2039 21	1	MELNIKOV, I	2015-21 0
2	THOMSON, J	1966-20	0	WALLACH, C	2005 20 1
3	SAMELSON, C	1923 12	1	PIPARIA, J	1857-18 0
4	AUGSBURGER, L	1698 20	1	CYGAN, J	1823-30 0
5	BALICKI, J	1711-25	0	GONCHAROFF, N	1673 11 1
6	KARANDIKAR, S	1590 0	1	BOLLAPRAGADA, S	0 0 0
(* Board 7 was not rated. Exhibition Match *)					
7	GOULET, W	0 0	0	MELNIKOV, N	0 0 1
8	PHELPS, D	1181-12	0	MARSHALL, K	1351 12 1 (MKNGT)

<b>14-MAR-02</b>	<b>UOP</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>KEMPER INSURANCE</b>	<b>2</b>	
ROUND 9					
BD		RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS	SCORE
1	BUERGER, E	2052-12	0	SIWEK, M	1984 18 1
2	BOLDINGH, E	1926 9	1	EASTON, R	1773-13 0
3	LECHNICK, J	1812-28	0	MOSSBRIDGE, A	1733 28 1
4	SACKS, D	1831 8	1	OLSEN, A	1574 -6 0
5	MICKLICH, F	1655 5	1	WIRTZ, R	1357 -7 0
6	VAN ZILE, C	1345 0	1	ROSZKOWSKI, D	0 0 0

<b>21-MAR-02</b>	<b>MOTOROLA KINGS</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>NORTHROP</b>	<b>1.5</b>		
ROUND 9						
BD		RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS	SCORE	
1	MELNIKOV, I	1994 0	0F	WALKER, A	1775 0 1F	
2	WALLACH, C	2025 5	1	VIGANTS, A	1672 -3 0	
3	PIPARIA, J	1839 9	1	BURIAN, D	1590 -6 0	
4	GONCHAROFF, N	1684 -7	.5	GOTHIER, S	1382 16 .5	
5	GRYPARIS, J	1497 0	1	GOTHIER, N	0 0 0	
6	RABINOVICH, E	1306 0	1	KUBIT, K	0 0 0	
(MKNGT)	7	BALICKI, J	1686 6	.5	WALKER, A	1775 -6 .5

<b>04-APR-02</b>	<b>MOTOROLA KNIGHTS</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>EXCALIBURS</b>	<b>4</b>	
ROUND 9					
BD		RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS	SCORE
1	FRIDMAN, Y	2060 14	.5	INUMERABLE, F	2292 -9 .5
2	THOMSON, J	1946-19	0	FRISKE, T	2006 12 1
3	AUGSBURGER, L	1718 10	.5	SOLLANO, E	1983-15 .5
4	BALICKI, J	1692-15	0	KOGAN, G	1815 10 1
5	KARANDIKAR, S	1590-14	0	SULLIVAN, J	1726 9 1
6	MARSHALL, K	1363 33	1	SUERTH, F	1530-22 0

## Match Results

<b>04-APR-02 KEMPER INSURANCE</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>MOTOROLA KINGS</b>	<b>2.5</b>
ROUND 10			
BD	RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS SCORE
1 SIWEK, M	2002 0	.5	MELNIKOV, I 1994 1 .5
2 LEONG, G	1974-13	0	WALLACH, C 2030 19 1
3 HUGHES, N	1730 5	.5	PIPARIA, J 1848 -8 .5
4 EASTON, R	1760 9	1	BOLLAPRAGADA, S 1525 -9 0
5 MOSSBRIDGE, A	1761 -6	.5	GONCHAROFF, N 1677 2 .5
6 OLSEN, A	1568 12	1	GRYPARIS, J 1497-18 0
7 WIRTZ, R	1350 0	0	WANG, G 0 0 1 (KEMPR)

<b>26-MAR-02 LUCENT TECH. CHARGERS</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>COOK CO. DEPT. OF CORR</b>	<b>2</b>
ROUND 10			
BD	RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS SCORE
1 MARCOWKA, R	2004-12	0	WILLIAMS, K 2080 18 1
2 DOBROVOLNY, C	1838 8	1	SEATON, E 1667-12 0
3 RADAVICIUS, E	1612-11	0	ALEXANDER, W 1706 17 1
4 THOMAS, J	1516 11	1	HALL, A 1423-17 0
5 DOBR, K	1449 8	1	JACKSON, S 1364-17 0
6 LAFORGE, W	1366 26	1	APPLEBERRY, T 1417-26 0
7 STAMM, V	1477 0	0F	MCGEE, L 1066 0 1F

<b>14-MAR-02 ARGONNE ROOKS</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>FERMILAB</b>	<b>4</b>
ROUND 10			
BD	RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS SCORE
1 BENEDEK, R	2126 -4	.5	SPIEGEL, L 2021 4 .5
2 HILL, R	2043-26	0	GOMEZ, G 1722 39 1
3 SUAREZ, E	1892 6	1	AILES, T 1553 -6 0
4 BAURAC, D	1736 -6	.5	STAPLES, C 1591 9 .5
5 DECMAN, S	1604-18	0	MOLINA, J 1533 27 1
6 GRUDZINSKI, J	1460-37	0	SCHULTZ, R 1204 37 1

<b>02-APR-02 FERMILAB</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>LUCENT TECH. TYROS</b>	<b>1.5</b>
ROUND 11			
BD	RATINGS	SCORE	RATINGS SCORE
1 BEZZUBOV, V	2277-16	.5	DIAZ, P 1981 10 .5
2 SPIEGEL, L	2025 11	1	GUIO, J 1919-11 0
3 KOZLOVSKY, M	2081 11	1	STOLTZ, B 1875 -7 0
4 GAINES, I	1777 -1	.5	BUCHNER, R 1755 2 .5
5 GOMEZ, G	1761 -9	.5	SMITH, BR 1623 9 .5
6 STAPLES, C	1600 6	1	KARPIERZ, J 1270 -6 0

## Match Results

08-APR-02 LUCENT TECH. DRAGONS		3	ARGONNE ROOKS		3	
ROUND 11						
BD		RATINGS	SCORE		RATINGS	SCORE
1	TEGEL, F	2072	11	1	BENEDEK, R	2122-17 0
2	ALTSHULLER, D	1819	-11	0	HILL, R	2017 7 1
3	BLACKMON, E	1726	-8	0	SUAREZ, E	1898 12 1
4	EUSTACE, D	1564	-8	0	BAURAC, D	1730 8 1
5	SALERNO, S	1392	34	1	DECMAN, S	1586-23 0
6	BREYER, A	1367	0	1F		0 0 0F

## 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Blitz Result

The 5th Annual CICL Winter Blitz was held Saturday, March 30. The event was won by Brian Smith of the Lucent Tyros with the score of 6/7.

Final Results:

<b>Brian Smith</b>	<b>Lucent Tyros</b>	<b>6</b>
Michael Dittmar	Fermilab	5
David Sacks	UOP	4
Joseph Cygan	Motorola	4
Pat Sajbel	UOP	4
Tom Friske	Excaliburs	3
Steve Decman	Argonne	1
Carl Reid	Case	1

Next year's event is tentatively scheduled for **Saturday, March 22nd, 2003.**

--Len Augsburg

## New Clubs in Town

**Edgebrook Chess Club** at 5331 W. Devon Av. in Chicago.

It's one block east of Central in the second floor Community Meeting Room. Meetings are on Mondays, 6:30 to 8:45 P.M.

The club is intended for adults & experienced juvenile players over 10 years old. Attendees are encouraged to bring chess sets, but this is not a requirement. The chief organizer is Milan Mitrovic.

**Evanston Chess Club** at Evanston Public Library

Meetings on the first Thursday of each month, from 7:00 to 8:45 P.M.

**Other local chess clubs**, tournaments and news can be found as part of the Illinois Chess Association. Website: [www.illinoischess.org](http://www.illinoischess.org)  
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## Current Ratings as of April 9th

NAME	TEAM	W	L	D	RATING	NAME	TEAM	W	L	D	RATING
ABDALLAH, D	PAWNS	3	1	0	0000/4	DOBR, K	CHRGR	8	1	1	1457Q
AILES, T	FERMI	3	2	0	1547	DOBROVOLNY, C	CHRGR	8	1	1	1846C
ALBERS, M	KEMPR	0	1	0	0000/0	DOMINGUEZ, R	LBURN	2	1	2	1319*
ALEXANDER, W	CCDOC	4	4	1	1723	DORIGO, T	FERMI	0	0	2	2155
ALFONSO, E	MKNGT	3	1	1	1595	DUBILIRER, G	MKING	1	1	0	0000/2
ALLEN, H	ALUMN	5	1	0	1947	DUFFY, J	LBURN	1	3	1	1743
ALLEN, R	UOP	0	1	0	1179#	DUNCAN, M	PAWNS	0	0	0	0000/1
ALMAULA, J	MKING	0	0	1	1288#	EAMAN, R	LBURN	0	3	2	1836
ALTSHULLER, D	DRGNS	5	3	3	1808	EASTON, R	KEMPR	3	3	0	1769
ANDRESEN, T	EXCLB	0	0	0	1735C	ELEK, G	NORTH	1	5	0	1059
APPLEBERRY, T	CCDOC	5	4	0	1391	ELLICE, W	PAWNS	4	3	2	1888
APTEKAR, S	STFRD	0	0	0	1607#	ERIKSON, M	ROOKS	0	0	0	0000/0
AUGSBURGER, L	MKNGT	3	2	2	1728C	EUSTACE, D	DRGNS	4	6	1	1556C
BALICKI, J	MKNGT	5	4	3	1677	FABIJONAS, R	PAWNS	3	2	3	1684D
BANNON, B	LBURN	0	5	1	1242	FALCON, L	CCDOC	2	0	0	1203#
BARGERSTOCK, D	STFRD	0	0	0	1783C	FINKELSHTEYN, S	WOLVE	0	1	0	0000/1
BARNARD, G	CITGR	1	1	0	1179*	FITZGERALD, M	FERMI	0	0	0	1244*
BARTHOLF, P	TRDLK	0	0	0	0000/2	FOLEY, M	CITGR	2	3	0	0000/4
BAURAC, D	ROOKS	3	3	5	1738D	FOREMAN, T	TRDLK	0	0	0	0000/1
BENEDEK, R	ROOKS	4	3	2	2105D	FRAATS, D	CASE	2	4	3	1851C
BENESA, A	ALUMN	5	2	1	2224	FRANEK, M	ALUMN	3	0	2	1723D
BEZZUBOV, V	FERMI	0	1	3	2261	FRANK, M	ALUMN	5	0	1	1756
BLACKMON, E	DRGNS	1	3	0	1718C	FRIDMAN, Y	MKNGT	3	4	2	2074
BOLDINGH, E	UOP	6	0	2	1935C	FRISKE, T	EXCLB	5	1	3	2018C
BOLLAPRAGADA, S	MKING	0	4	0	1516#	FULKERSON, R	LBURN	2	3	0	1381*
BRASWELL, I	READR	0	1	0	1737	GAINES, I	FERMI	4	3	2	1776D
BRAUNDEMEIER, B	KEMPR	0	0	0	1249#	GALINSKY, V	TRDLK	0	0	0	0000/0
BREYER, A	DRGNS	3	4	0	1367#	GARCIA, J	ROOKS	0	0	0	1227*
BROIHER, M	READR	0	4	1	1119	GARDNER, M	NORTH	1	2	0	1214*
BROTSOS, J	EXCLB	4	1	1	1523D	GASTON, K	CASE	0	0	0	1251
BUCHNER, R	TYROS	3	3	3	1757	GAZMEN, E	ALUMN	5	1	0	2054
BUERGER, E	UOP	4	3	2	2040T	GOKHALE, P	MKING	0	0	0	0000/0
BURIAN, D	NORTH	1	5	3	1584C	GOLCHERT, B	ROOKS	0	1	0	1875
BUTLER, E	ROOKS	4	4	0	1270*	GOLLA, R	ALUMN	1	0	0	1813D
CARTER, L	READR	1	2	0	1499C	GOMEZ, G	FERMI	4	1	2	1752
CASTILLA, H	FERMI	1	0	0	0000/2	GONCHAROFF, N	MKING	2	4	4	1679Q
CEASE, H	FERMI	0	0	0	1222*	GOTHIER, N	NORTH	1	2	0	0000/2
CHIN, M	KEMPR	0	0	0	0000/0	GOTHIER, S	NORTH	0	5	3	1398*
CHRISTIAN, R	DRGNS	0	0	0	1753C	GOULET, W	MKNGT	1	0	0	0000/0
CHRISTOTEK, L	FERMI	0	1	0	0000/1	GRANT, M	STFRD	0	0	0	0000/1
COLLINS, G	DRGNS	0	1	0	0000/0	GRUDZINSKI, J	ROOKS	1	1	0	1423*
CUMMUTA, P	KEMPR	0	2	0	1469C	GRYPARIS, J	MKING	5	4	0	1479C
CVETKOVICH, R	STFRD	0	0	0	0000/7	GRYZIAK, L	STFRD	0	0	0	0000/2
CYGAN, J	MKING	3	1	0	1793	GUIO, J	TYROS	1	5	2	1908C
CZERNIECKI, A	ALUMN	1	1	1	1948D	HAHNE, D	TYROS	5	3	0	1646C
DAVIDSON, M	ALUMN	2	0	0	1612	HALL, A	CCDOC	0	5	1	1406
DECMAN, S	ROOKS	2	4	0	1563D	HANDSCHKE, D	KEMPR	0	0	0	0000/2
DIAZ, P	TYROS	3	6	2	1991C	HAYHURST, W	CITGR	1	4	0	1888
DILLON, M	STFRD	0	0	0	0000/2	HELFER, A	STFRD	0	0	0	0000/8
DITTMER, M	FERMI	1	1	2	0000/4	HELGESON, M	WOLVE	0	1	0	0000/1

## Current Ratings as of April 9th

NAME	TEAM	W	L	D	RATING	NAME	TEAM	W	L	D	RATING
HERREN, R	MKNGT	0	0	0	0000/2	MICKLICH, F	UOP	5	2	1	1660D
HILL, R	ROOKS	8	2	1	2024C	MIKULECKY, B	PAWNS	3	3	3	1494C
HIRSCH, D	NORTH	0	2	0	0000/2	MILLER, K	STFRD	0	0	0	0000/1
HTOO, M	CITGR	2	1	0	0000/2	MITMAN, S	STFRD	0	0	0	0000/1
HUGHES, N	KEMPR	0	4	1	1735C	MOEHS, D	FERMI	1	0	0	0000/1
HUNTER, M	CCDOC	1	0	0	0000/0	MOLINA, J	FERMI	2	3	2	1560#
INUMERABLE, F	EXCLB	5	0	2	2283C	MORENZ, P	CITGR	0	0	0	0000/0
JACKSON, S	CCDOC	0	7	2	1347	MORRIS, R	MKNGT	0	0	0	2173
JAKSTAS, K	PAWNS	4	0	5	2129C	MOSSBRIDGE, A	KEMPR	5	1	1	1755
JASAITIS, A	WOLVE	5	1	0	2131D	MOTTA, H	FERMI	0	1	0	1872
KALE, S	CASE	0	2	1	1867C	MYERS, E	KEMPR	1	1	0	0000/1
KANAS, W	CASE	1	6	0	1248C	NEU, E	CCDOC	1	0	0	0000/1
KARANDIKAR, S	MKNGT	4	3	0	1576*	NOEL, F	CCDOC	1	1	0	0000/3
KARPIERZ, J	TYROS	0	1	1	1264	O'DELL, DW	PAWNS	5	3	1	1491C
KAUFFMANN, T	WOLVE	1	0	0	0000/0	OELHAFEN, A	EXCLB	1	2	0	1252
KESTNER, M	DRGNS	0	0	0	1431	OGASAWARA, L	DRGNS	0	0	0	1823C
KIERSCH, M	READR	0	0	0	0000/3	OLEARY, R	WOLVE	0	1	0	0000/1
KIM, J	TRDLK	0	0	0	0000/2	OLSEN, A	KEMPR	3	5	2	1580C
KISH, C	CITGR	0	1	0	0000/1	OTTE, R	WOLVE	0	2	0	0000/1
KLINEFELTER, H	CASE	2	3	3	1588C	PARAOAN, E	BKAMI	0	0	0	1643C
KOGAN, G	EXCLB	5	1	2	1825C	PATEL, SU	CITGR	0	1	0	0000/1
KOSMICKE, J	STFRD	0	0	0	0000/1	PEHAS, A	DRGNS	2	0	2	1931C
KOZLOVSKY, M	FERMI	1	0	0	2092	PERKINS, D	CCDOC	0	0	0	1663#
KRAS, T	BKAMI	0	0	0	2151	PHELPS, D	MKNGT	2	1	1	1169*
KRATKA, M	WOLVE	3	3	1	1633*	PIPARIA, J	MKING	2	3	3	1840
KREMPETZ, K	FERMI	0	0	0	0000/2	PLEASANCE, M	CCDOC	0	1	0	0000/0
KUBIT, K	NORTH	0	3	0	0000/3	PODOSIK, E	CITGR	1	1	0	1280
LAFORGE, W	CHRGR	3	1	0	1392	RABINOVICH, E	MKING	2	3	1	1306
LAMBIRIS, J	KEMPR	2	0	0	1453	RADAVICIUS, E	CHRGR	1	2	1	1601D
LANG, R	READR	0	2	3	2076	RAUCHMAN, M	WOLVE	2	1	0	0000/2
LANSING, J	WOLVE	3	1	1	1494	REID, C	CASE	5	3	1	1518C
LARSEN, B	KEMPR	0	1	0	0000/1	RENDE, D	UOP	0	0	0	1631*
LECHNICK, J	UOP	4	2	2	1784	REYES, R	ALUMN	0	0	0	2286D
LEONG, G	KEMPR	1	4	1	1961C	RIFFLE, D	FERMI	0	0	0	0000/2
LITTLE, C	READR	1	2	0	1275	ROBB, D	TRDLK	0	0	0	0000/1
LITVINAS, A	ALUMN	0	0	0	1655D	ROGERS, N	READR	1	2	0	1916
LOHJA, N	NORTH	0	0	0	0000/4	ROJO, V	CCDOC	3	2	1	1534
LOSOFF, A	BKAMI	0	0	0	1863C	ROSLEY, D	CHRGR	0	0	0	1790
LOWRY, D	STFRD	0	0	0	0000/3	ROSZKOWSKI, D	KEMPR	0	7	0	0000/1
LUDWIG, T	DRGNS	1	4	3	1961C	RZESZUTKO, R	ALUMN	1	0	0	1905C
MAGEE, M	CITGR	1	1	0	0000/2	SACKS, D	UOP	2	0	1	1839
MANN, D	CITGR	0	1	0	0000/1	SAGALOVSKY, L	WOLVE	4	1	1	1985
MARCOWKA, R	CHRGR	5	3	1	1992D	SAJBEL, P	UOP	0	3	1	1819C
MARSH, M	READR	1	3	1	1167	SALERNO, S	DRGNS	4	1	4	1426*
MARSHALL, K	MKNGT	5	2	1	1396*	SAMELSON, C	MKNGT	3	3	0	1935D
MCCARTHY, D	CHRGR	0	0	0	1754	SANDEFUR, B	CCDOC	0	2	0	1142*
MC GEE, L	CCDOC	3	3	0	1066*	SANDLER, M	CITGR	0	3	0	0000/2
MCKAY, P	PAWNS	0	0	0	1406*	SANTIAGO, T	ALUMN	5	0	2	2033
MCKINNEY, T	KEMPR	0	2	0	1217	SATTERLEE, D	CASE	2	1	1	1588D
MELNIKOV, I	MKING	1	5	3	1995	SAVCIC, V	TYROS	2	2	0	1116*

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SAWIN, B	LBURN	1	2	1	1189*	SULLIVAN, C	READR	3	4	0	1511
SCHOONOVER, M	UOP	0	0	0	1307*	SULLIVAN, J	EXCLB	3	5	1	1735D
SCHULTZ, R	FERMI	1	5	0	1241*	TEGEL, F	DRGNS	4	3	4	2083T
SEATON, E	CCDOC	0	6	1	1655	THOMAS, G	TYROS	1	1	0	1563C
SEDA, J	CITGR	0	2	0	0000/2	THOMAS, J	CHRGR	3	4	0	1527D
SENSAT, J	CITGR	2	4	0	1776#	THOMSON, J	MKNGT	6	3	0	1927
SERRANO, B	PAWNS	0	0	0	1438#	TOERNER, G	STFRD	0	0	0	0000/0
SHALABI, M	PAWNS	1	2	1	0000/4	TRINIDAD, P	CCDOC	1	3	0	946*
SHIREY, S	KEMPR	0	0	0	0000/4	TRUFANOV, D	UOP	1	0	0	1566#
SIEGEL, R	BKAMI	0	0	0	1490C	VALDEZ, C	TYROS	0	5	0	1418*
SITAR, K	BKAMI	0	0	0	1563	VAN ZILE, C	UOP	4	1	1	1345
SIWEK, M	KEMPR	2	3	4	2002C	VENSKE, D	READR	1	1	0	1729
SMITH, BR	TYROS	1	0	5	1632C	VIGANTS, A	NORTH	4	5	0	1669C
SMITH, JO	TRDLK	0	0	0	0000/5	VOLYNSKIY, G	WOLVE	4	0	0	2547*
SMITH, S	READR	0	0	0	0000/4	VORA, C	STFRD	0	0	0	0000/3
SOLLANO, E	EXCLB	4	3	1	1968	WALKER, A	NORTH	1	5	4	1769
SOSSI, M	LBURN	0	1	0	1612	WALLACH, C	MKING	6	0	4	2049
SPIEGEL, L	FERMI	4	4	3	2036D	WALSH, W	ROOKS	0	0	1	1494C
STAFFORD, G	TRDLK	0	0	0	0000/2	WANG, G	KEMPR	1	0	0	0000/1
STAMM, V	CHRGR	3	1	4	1477D	WARD, CH	TRDLK	0	0	0	1324
STAPLES, C	FERMI	4	0	2	1606	WARREN, J	CHRGR	2	1	5	2082Q
STEEL, B	CCDOC	0	1	0	0000/1	WEISNER, T	PAWNS	0	0	0	1130
STEELE, B	CCDOC	0	1	0	0000/4	WEITZ, R	EXCLB	5	2	0	1640C
STEVANOVIC, M	UOP	4	0	2	2246D	WHITE, H	CASE	3	4	2	1698C
STINSON, M	CHRGR	0	0	0	1952C	WILLIAMS, K	CCDOC	4	1	4	2098
STOLTZ, B	TYROS	5	5	0	1868C	WIRTZ, R	KEMPR	1	4	0	1350#
SUAREZ, E	ROOKS	5	1	1	1910	WOLF, D	MKING	0	0	1	2320
SUBECK, J	KEMPR	1	2	0	1374*	YACOUT, A	ROOKS	1	2	0	1549
SUERTH, F	EXCLB	3	2	0	1508C	ZOELLNER, J	CASE	2	6	1	1375C

### UPPER BOARD FORFEITS

Each team is allowed 2 upper board forfeits per season.  
 After the 2nd upper board forfeit, the team is penalized  
 one extra game point for each such forfeit in the match.

#### TEAMS WITH 2 OR MORE UPPER BOARD FORFEITS

CCDOC  
 CHICAGO READER  
 MOTOROLA KINGS

#### TEAMS WITH 1 UPPER BOARD FORFEIT

ALUMNI ACES  
 LEO BURNETT  
 ARGONNE ROOKS  
 PAWNS  
 CASE  
 WOLVERINE TRADING

### **CHICAGO INDUSTRIAL CHESS LEAGUE**

Business Meeting of April 3, 2002

At: Lucent

#### Attendees:

Bob Buchner  
Wayne Ellice  
Dan Eustace  
Tom Friske  
Irwin Gaines  
Tony Jasaitis  
Jay Lechnick  
Art Olsen  
Lenny Spiegel  
Frank Suerth  
Jerry Thomas  
James Thomson

### **MINUTES**

1. President Irwin Gaines called the meeting to order at 7:15pm.

#### **2. OFFICERS REPORTS:**

##### President:

Irwin welcomed all attendees and thanked Lucent for providing the meeting facilities, which are somewhat central to most teams. He reviewed the agenda items, highlighting the upcoming playoffs and banquet.

Irwin also announced that there is no need for elections at this meeting. However, openings exist for 2 key positions. Irwin is serving his third term as president and has asked for interested volunteers to submit their name for consideration. Also, Pat Sajbel, Publicity Chairman, is doing far more traveling than before and is encouraging a replacement (or even help). If interested, contact Irwin. The remaining officers will continue on with their duties.

##### Secretary:

Wayne could not make the Spring meeting and thanked Tony for submitting the minutes that were published in the bulletin. There were no questions or comments concerning those minutes.

### Treasurer:

Lenny submitted a mid-term Budget Report for the 2001-02 season, see attached. Of note:

We actually made money on the banquet last year. This was primarily due to the fact that we don't have to guarantee a minimum at the Bohemian Crystal.

The budget was based on having 20 teams. This year we actually have 19. Two teams have not yet paid their dues. We believe this was simply an oversight from the Citadel Group and will be paid shortly. The situation is different with the CASE team. Their players actually paid for a membership, which was held by Dwayne Satterlee. Due to his unfortunate death, this money went into his estate. Although this may eventually get resolved, the league unanimously approved waiving their current dues until such time it does get resolved. They will also receive reimbursement of 1 banquet ticket if 1 or more team members pay for the banquet (as with all teams).

We probably could afford a banquet speaker this year. More under the Banquet section.

### Division Chairmen:

#### Near West-Carl Reid, Chairman (not present)

The Lucent Chargers clinched 1<sup>st</sup> place, with no losses to date. Second place goes to the PAWNS, who opted not to participate in the playoffs. There was much discussion on how to fairly choose a replacement. See Playoffs.

#### East-Jim Duffy, Chairman (not present)

The Aces have clinched 1<sup>st</sup> place. Two teams, Wolverines and Citadel, are in the running for second place.

#### North-Jim Thomson, Chairman

Jim reported that UOP have clinched 1<sup>st</sup> place. Second place is undecided.

#### Far West-Bob Buchner, Chairman

Bob reported that Fermi have clinched 1<sup>st</sup> place. Second place could go to either if the remaining teams. They will finish their matches on time.

### 3. OTHER REPORTS:

#### Bulletin Editor-Tom Friske

Again, thanks go to Tom for his outstanding work on the bulletin and his web site (<http://www.tomhq.com/cicl.htm>). Tom has added a bit of background about the CICL and a FAQ section. Please direct potential new teams to this web site, which might clinch their decision. Reportedly 1 team already became members this way. Also posted is our Constitution and Rules, which will be updated shortly.

#### Games Editor-Tom Friske

Tom informed us that very few team captains are remembering to submit copies of the game sheets to him. It's never to late, so send them by mail to him at 1035 E. Algonquin Road, Des Plaines, IL 60016. Chances are good you'll eventually see one of your games in print. Any games with annotations/comments are doubly appreciated. In the Fall meeting, we will revisit the idea of giving prizes (books?) for games submitted.

Action: Division Chairmen are to ask all team captains to remember to submit game sheets.

#### Rating Chairman-Art Olsen

Art reported good reporting of match results, although it is impossible to know when a match is completed and not submitted. He occasionally has to follow up when they are a few weeks late. These can get to Art via the following ways:

#### Mail to:

Art Olsen  
714 E. Algonquin, #J102  
Arlington Heights 60005

#### FAX to:

(847) 320-4464 with cover sheet to:

Art Olsen  
Kemper Insurance  
Operations Tech. Support, G-5  
Work tel. (847) 320-2420  
Home tel. (847) 437-9819  
E-mail [aolsen14@home.com](mailto:aolsen14@home.com)

## Spring Business Meeting

Art reported that the “newer” upper board forfeit ruling seems to be working fine. Art also agreed to maintain the speed chess ratings (from blitz tournaments etc.). Jim asked if there was a formula used for this rating system. Tables are used and will be published in the bulletin.

Publicity Chairman-Pat Sajbel (not present)

Irwin thanked for Pat for arranging the interclub match. Also, there is a possibility of a match with CCCC. Watch for notices.

As stated earlier, Pat needs some help or someone to take over his duties. If you want to know what is involved, please give him a call at (847) 391-2134.

Banquet Chairman-Pablo Diaz (not present)

Pablo will continue as banquet chairman. Note, our banquet is scheduled for Friday, **June 7** at the **Bohemian Crystal Restaurant** (same place as last year)

Trophy Chairman-Marty Franek (not present)

Marty agreed to continue with this task. He is asking Division Chairmen to start thinking about the MVP awards and let him know as soon as possible. Art to provide him with centurions etc.

#### **4. ELECTIONS/APPOINTMENTS:**

There was no need for any elections or appointments.

#### **5. CALENDAR**

##### **PLAYOFFS:**

Date set for May 18. Site to be determined. Motorola is checking and will be first choice. If not, Kemper will see if they can be an alternate.

Art Olsen volunteered to be the TD, if Motorola can host the site.

We will again have a Swiss style individual tournament if enough people are interested. It will start at 9:00 am. Please contact Art Olsen right away to sign up. Depending on the number, there may be 2 tiers.

##### **BANQUET:**

Date set for June 7 at the Crystal Bohemian Restaurant.

It is located at 639 N. Blackhawk Drive, Westmont, (630-789-1981). Blackhawk intersects Ogden Ave. between Cass and Rt. 83. Basically it is across the street from the previous site (Harvey's), which, unfortunately, no longer exists.

### 6. OLD BUSINESS: (none)

### 7. NEW BUSINESS/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

There was considerable discussion trying to devise a fair selection process for the team to replace the Pawns at the playoffs. This included selecting the 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner from the NW Division, the highest ranking of all 3<sup>rd</sup> place teams, overall record, record against playing other 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place teams, having a 3<sup>rd</sup> place team playoff, and by coin toss. Although there was much input, there was no decision. It was agreed that the decision would be made by Irwin Gaines and Art Olsen. Also, a system needs to be put in place for future situations. An item for the Fall meeting.

Attendance at our last banquet was down, but there is no minimum at the Bohemian Crystal. Please encourage your team's participation. We can afford a speaker for the banquet. We would require someone who is a bit dynamic and will stay and play in a few rounds of the speed chess that follows our dinner. Contact Pablo if you have someone in mind. We are considering Albert Chow.

We unanimously agreed to purchase a demonstration board for the banquet, playoffs, and other events. It will be kept by an officer between uses. Wayne agreed to purchase a large demonstration board and keep it.

Recruitment. Pat and Tom worked on creating a CICL flyer. It has been distributed at various tournaments to get the word out. Pat also created a list of all the major companies in Cook County. Jim Thomson suggested a system to spread the workload so these companies are actually contacted. Working with the Div. Chairmen, each team captain can be asked to contact at least one or two companies on the list. All thought this idea should be pursued.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 pm.

**Wayne Ellice**, Secretary

**CICL 2001-02 Mid-Term Report**

Revenue	2000-01 Actual	Current 2001-02 Proposed	Actual
Basic Team Dues	1,000	1,000	850
Bulletin			
Postal bulletins	60		45
Late dues	35		20
Banquet surplus	240		
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Total Revenue	\$1,335	\$1,000	\$ 915
<b>Disbursements</b>			
Trophies	774	800	
Bulletin	20		
Scoresheets	90	325	325
Playoff refreshments	139	150	
Banquest shortfall	0		
USCF / ICA dues	65	65	40
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Total Disbursements	\$1,088	\$1,340	\$ 365
			<b>\$ 550 current</b>
Net (Loss)	\$ 247	\$(340)	<b>\$ (325) projected</b>

We had budgeted for 20 teams, but there are only 19 teams this year. Still need to collect dues from Case and Citadel Group.

Scoresheets should cover a two-year period.

We presently have \$1,745 in our checking account. This reflects a \$100 deposit with the Bohemian Crystal and \$10 owed to CCDOC for dues overpayment.

**Lenny Spiegel, Treasurer**

## The Art of Sacrificing Rooks

### Part 6 - The Exchange Sacrifice in Action

by Tom Friske

In the last outing, we introduced the exchange sacrifice with some discussion of relative piece values and moved on to some simple endings. The material was purposely simple and pristine; we'll put those principles to work in the current section. Once completed, the bottomless opportunities offered by these imbalances will be wonderfully clear.

This number of the Rooksac series is in four sections:

- 1) A few examples where the exchange sacrifice doesn't work out; we learn from negative examples as well as positive!
- 2) Various middlegame scenarios,
- 3) Sicilian middlegames (a "must" for the Sicilian player of every level!), and, lastly,
- 4) Using ChessBase to gather examples independently.

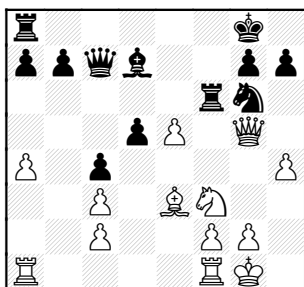
### SECTION 1.

#### Exchange Sac Failures

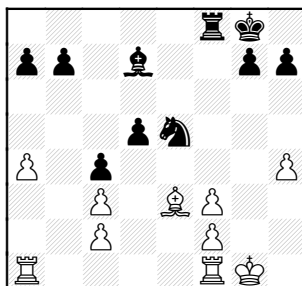
We see the Rook in action and how a passer for the stronger side turns the tables.

#### Example 1.1

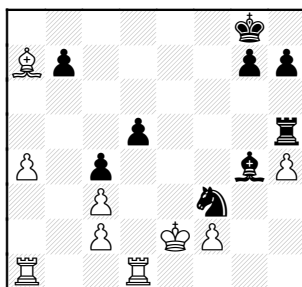
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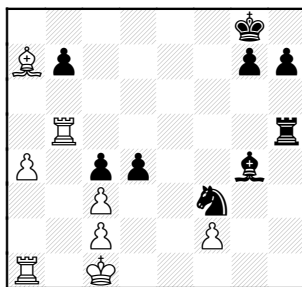
The White Pawns are scattered and the White Rooks have no open paths, so Black sacs.  
18...Rxf3 19.gxf3 Rf8 20.Qg3 Qxe5 21.Qxe5 Nxe5



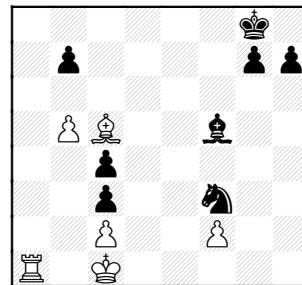
22.Rfd1 Nxf3+ 23.Kf1 Rf5  
24.Bxa7 Rh5 25.Ke2 Bg4



26.Rdb1 Nxh4+ 27.Kd2 Nf3+  
28.Kc1 d4 29.Rb5

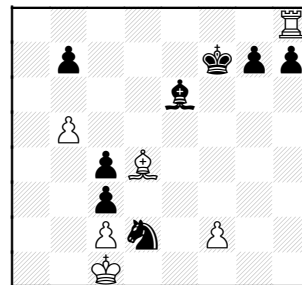


29...Rxb5  
Black has the outside h-passer  
30.axb5 dxc3 31.Bc5 Bf5

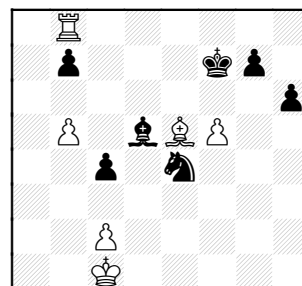


32.Ra4  
If 32.Ra8+ Kf7 33.Rf8+ Kg6

32...Nd2 33.Bd4 Be6 34.Ra8+  
Kf7 35.Rh8

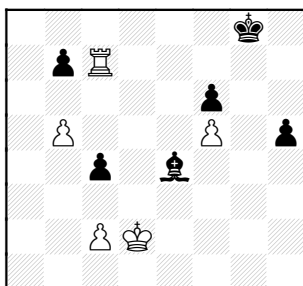


35...Nf3 36.Bxc3 Ng5 37.f4 Ne4  
38.Be5 h6 39.Rb8 Bd5 40.f5



Black's pieces hang in space and Anand demonstrates the power of a Rook.

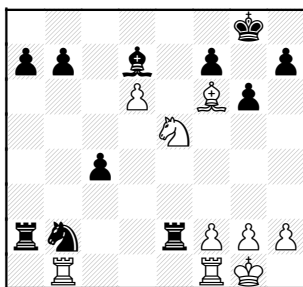
40...Nf6 41.Rc8 h5 42.Rc5 Be4  
43.Rc7+ Kg8 44.Bxf6 gxf6  
45.Kd2



Black doesn't have a move. If the Bishop leaves b-Pawn protection, White captures it and has a passer. Otherwise, White stops the Black passer and it's over  
1-0

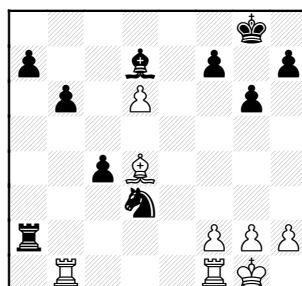
### Example 1.2

Avrukh - Van Wely [D97]  
Amsterdam, 2001 [C182/422]



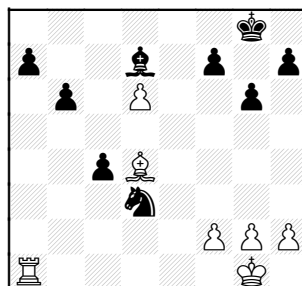
White is threatening to push the passer home, so an exchange sac is suggested. It would seem easy to judge compensation, as

Black appears to have three outside, connected passers!  
29.Ne5 Rxe5 30.Bxe5  
the Knight is doubly attacked  
30...Nd3 the Bishop hangs  
31.Bd4 b6



The passers are an illusion. They can not be advanced, and White's passer is a threat that must be constantly watched!

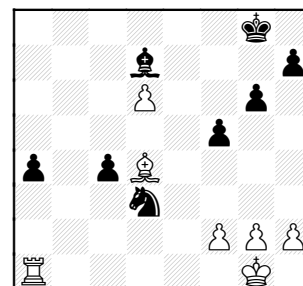
32.Ra1 Rxa1 33.Rxa1



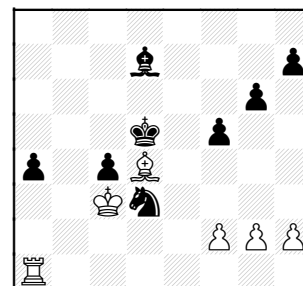
White must win at least a Pawn  
33...a5

Allowing the Rook to the 7th (with b5) escorts his passer home

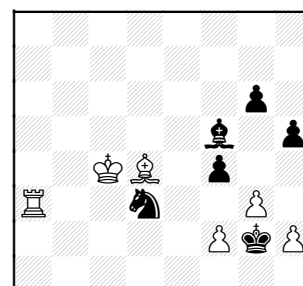
34.Bxb6 a4 35.Bd4 f5



Each side is tied up blocking passers. 36.Kf1 Kf7 37.Ke2 Ke6  
38.Kd2 Kxd6 39.Kc3 Kd5



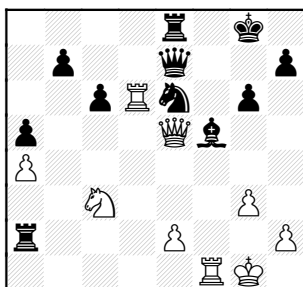
40.g3 f4 41.Rb1 h5 42.Rb7 Bf5  
43.Ra7 Ke4 44.Rxa4 Kf3  
45.Kxc4 Kg2 46.Ra3



Black can eliminate all White Pawns. An example of the exchange sac as a path to the draw.  
1/2-1/2

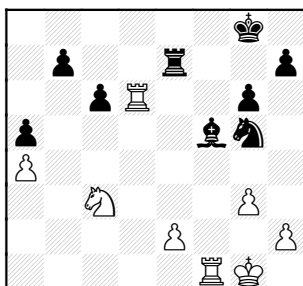
## Example 1.3

Kasimdzhanov - Sasikiran  
Istanbul 2000 [D17] [C180/401]



Black depends on trading to an endgame where he can exploit his 3-1 Pawn majority.

27...Rxa2 28.Nxa2 Ng5  
29.Qxe7 Rxe7 30.Nc3

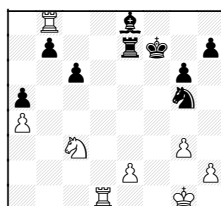


Black has two problems:  
adequate support of the b5 and c6 squares

30...Nf7 chasing the Rook from key squares

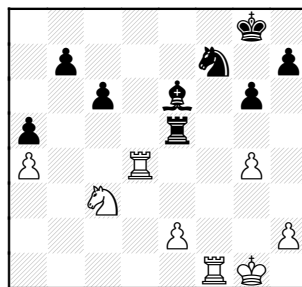
Trying to solve both problems in one move does not work:

30...Bd7 31.Rfd1 Be8 32.Rd8  
Kf7 33.Rb8

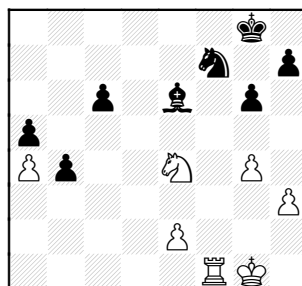


White has stopped the Pawn advance, and can possibly build backrank pressure with Rdd8.

31.Rd4 Re5 32.g4 Be6

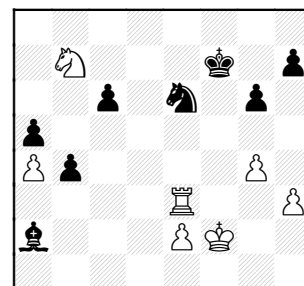


33.Re4 Rxe4 34.Nxe4 b5 35.h3  
b4



Black has succeeded in advancing the Pawn, but now has an unprotected target- the a5-Pawn.

36.Nc5 Ba2 covering the queening square 37.Rf3 Ng5  
38.Re3 Kf7 39.Kf2 Ne6 40.Nb7

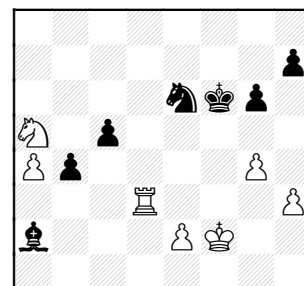


40...c5

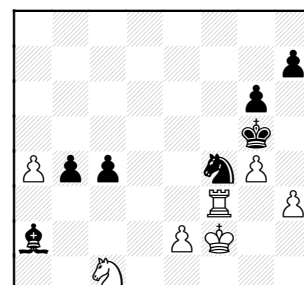
After 40...b3 41.Nd6+ Kf6  
42.Nc4 the Bishop is permanently out of play. White can play King to Queenside and play a Rook up.

41.Nxa5 Kf6  
41...c4 42.Nc6

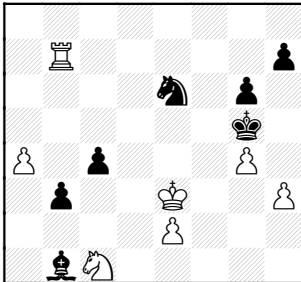
42.Rd3



42...Nf4 43.Rf3 Kg5 44.Nb3 c4  
45.Nc1

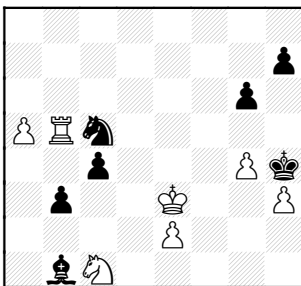


45...Bb1 46.Ke3 Ne6 47.Rf7 b3  
48.Rb7



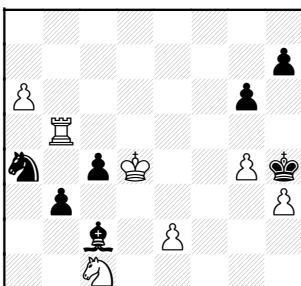
The active Rook spells doom for the Pawns.

48...Nc5 49.Rb5 Kh4 50.a5



Black is overloaded

50...Bc2 51.Kd4 Na4 52.a6



52...c3 53.Rxb3 1-0

## Section 2.

### Various Middlegames

(A note on sources. The reference in brackets is one of three books: CI - Chess Informant Vol/Game PS - Positional Sacrifices SIS - Sacrifices in the Sicilian The complete bibliography was included in the February release.

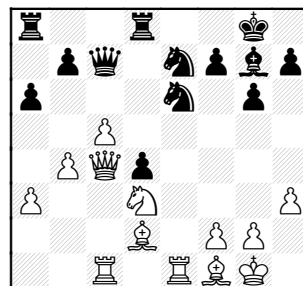
A majority of the analyzations are those of the book author. All three are worthy of purchase!!)

#### Example 2.1

Hulak - Gabriel

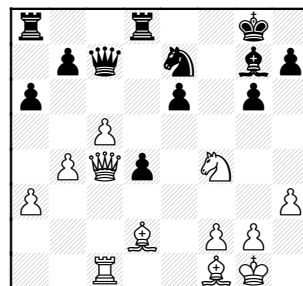
Slovenia, 1993

[PS/42]



Here, the sac is the vehicle to ride into a better ending.

28.Rxe6 fxe6 29.Nf4



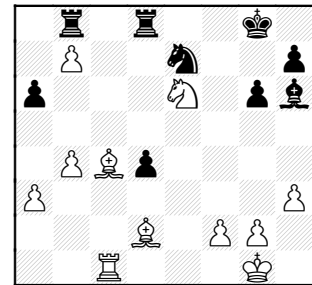
The fork threat, combined with the discovery of Queen onto King, is too much to defend.

29...b5

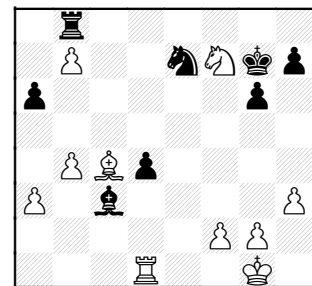
I guess Black is trying to take

squares from the light-square Bishop and trying to blockade the Pawns (c6 is firmly in control).

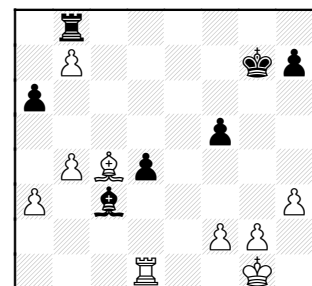
30.cxb6 Qxc4 31.Bxc4 Bh6  
32.b7 Rab8 33.Nxe6



33...Bxd2 34.Nxd8+ Kh8  
35.Nf7+ Kg7 36.Rd1 Bc3



37.Nd6 Nf5 38.Nxf5+ gxf5

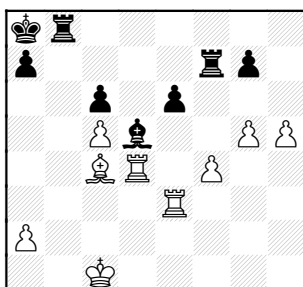


39.Bxa6 1-0

## Example 2.2

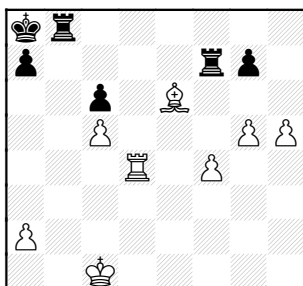
Alekhine - Flohr  
Nottingham, 1936

[PS/28]



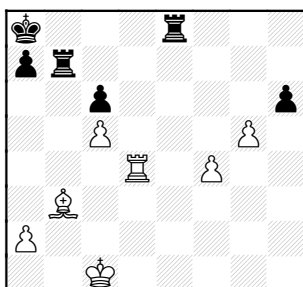
The position is seemingly even.  
But can White activate his  
advanced Kingside Pawns?

46.Rxe6! Bxe6 47.Bxe6



The 3-1 is now deadly.  
47...Rfb7 48.Bb3 Re8  
If 48...Rb5 49.h6

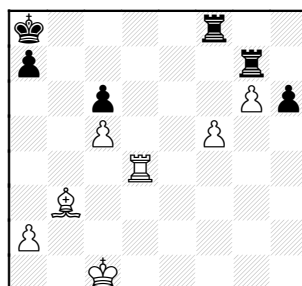
49.h6 gxh6



50.g6

Not 50.gxh6?? as it splits the  
Pawns!!

50...Rg7 51.f5 Rf8

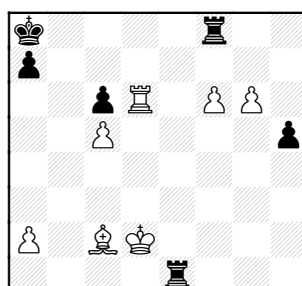


52.Bc2!

Wonderful! Note how White only  
needs a unit to support the light  
squares. It doesn't matter what  
piece constitutes the "unit": a  
Rook, Bishop, Queen or Pawn  
would probably work equally  
well. The material balance plays  
no part.

White still needs to be careful:  
52.Bf7? Rxf7! is equal

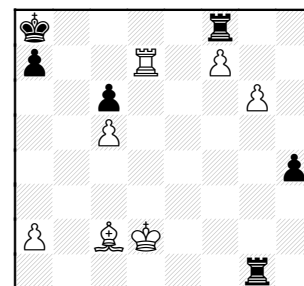
52...h5 53.Rd6 Re7 54.f6 Re1+  
55.Kd2



55...Rf1 56.f7 h4 57.Rd7

g7 is now possible

57...Rg1



58.Re7

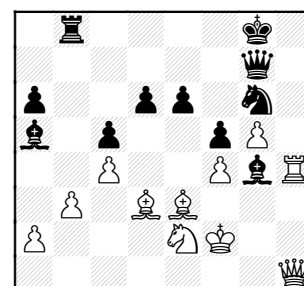
Re8+ can't be stopped 1-0

## Example 2.3

Shirov - Hjartarson

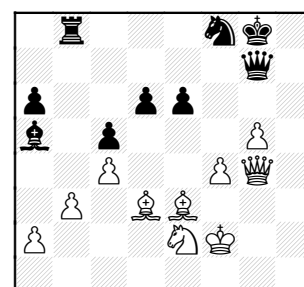
Lucerne, 1993

[PS/9]



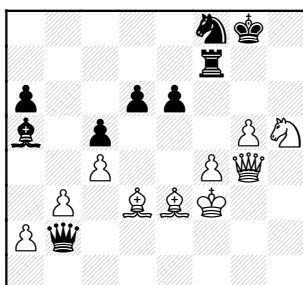
White finds a way to breach the  
defense.

33.Rxg4! fxg4 34.Qh5 Nf8  
35.Qxg4



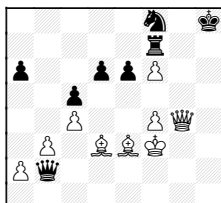
The difference between the Rook and extra Bishop is obvious. Black is helpless on the light squares around his King.

35...Rb7 36.Ng3 Rf7 37.Nh5 Qb2+ 38.Kf3



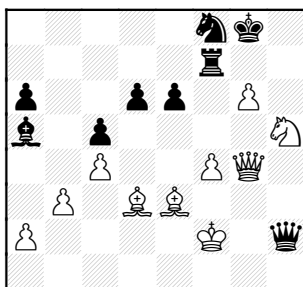
38...Qh2?

Better is 38...Bc3 39.Nf6+ Bxf6 40.gxf6+ Kh8



41.Qh5+ Kg8 42.Qg4  
White is only minimally better.

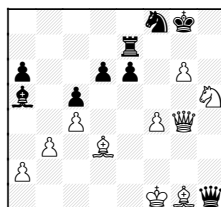
39.g6 Qh1+ 40.Kf2 Qh2+



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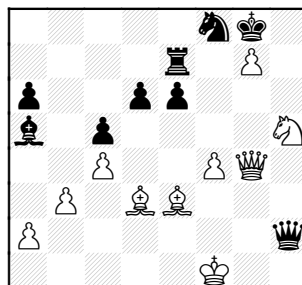
41.Kf1 Re7

41...Qh1+ 42.Bg1 Re7



43.Be4!! Qxe4 44.Nf6+

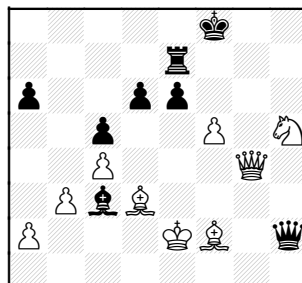
42.g7



42...Bc3!?

42...Nd7 43.Bh7+!

43.gxf8Q+ Kxf8 44.f5 Qh1+  
45.Ke2 Qh2+ 46.Bf2

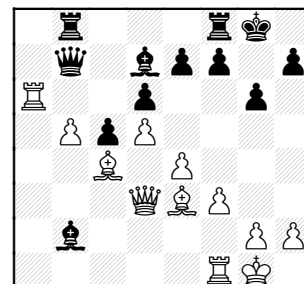


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## Example 2.4

Sokolov,I - Riemersma

Leeuwarden 1993 [PS/30]

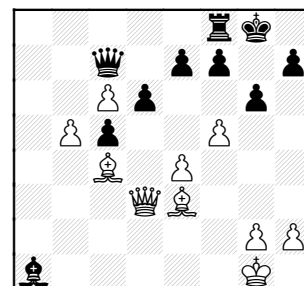


Another example of creating advanced, connected passers.

21.Rc6 Bxc6

Apparently Black considers the passers as easily blockaded.

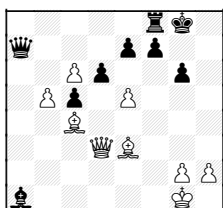
22.dxc6 Qc7 23.f4 Ra8 24.Rb1  
Ra1 25.Rxa1 Bxa1 26.f5



White reveals a deeper insight. The outside passers require a blockade, but look what it has to be!!-- a major piece. Meanwhile, White's pieces poke at the opposing King.

26...Be5

26...Qa7 27.fxg6 hxg6 28.e5

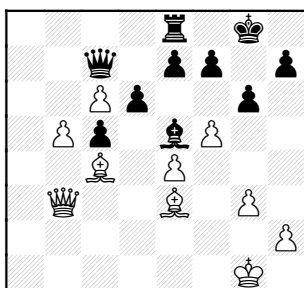


28...Bxe5? 29.Qxg6+

27.g3 Re8

Or maybe 27...Qa7

28.Qb3



The principle of "two weaknesses" is active- If you can work two plans at once, especially from opposite sides of the board, you're usually winning.

Here White threatens the obvious Bxf7+ and looks to advance the passers with Qa2 and then Bd2-a5.

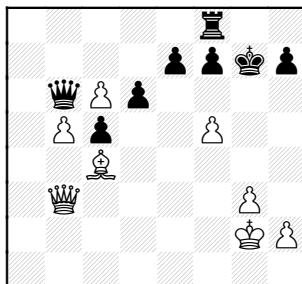
28...Rf8 29.Kg2!

As in last month's examples, we don't hurry! Black can't do a thing, so time to clean house and perfect piece placement!! White avoids check before moving Bishop.

29...Qb6 30.Bh6 Bg7 31.Bd2 gxf5 32.exf5 Be5 33.Bh6

If 33.Qa2 d5!

33...Bg7 34.Bxg7 Kxg7

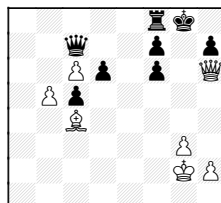


35.Qe3

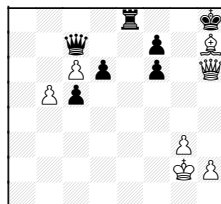
threatening Qg5+ and f6

35...e6

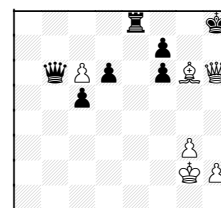
White still does well after  
35...Qc7 36.Qg5+ Kh8 37.Qh6 Kg8 38.f6 exf6



39.Bd3 Re8 40.Bxh7+ Kh8

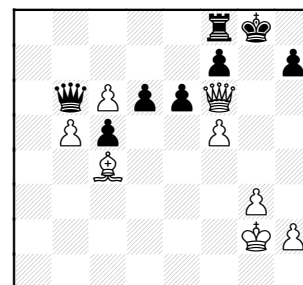


41.b6!! deflection! from protection of f7  
41...Qxb6 42.Bg6+



42...Kg8 43.Qh7+ Kf8 44.Qxf7#

36.Qg5+ Kh8 37.Qf6+ Kg8



38.fxe6

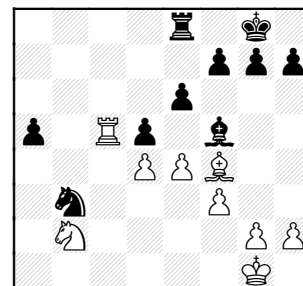
White never had to advance the passers. The threat was stronger than its execution, as the saying goes!  
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### Example 2.5

An example of the B+N v R compensation

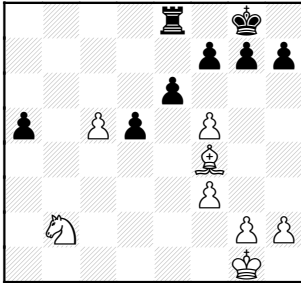
Vera - Abreu [D10]

Cuba ch, 2000 [C178/363]



White spots the win of two pieces for Rook with a passer to boot!

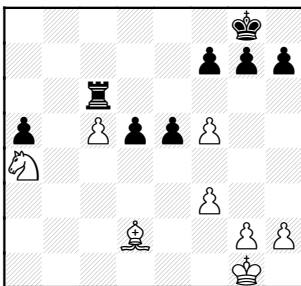
27.exf5 Nxc5 28.dxc5



28...e5

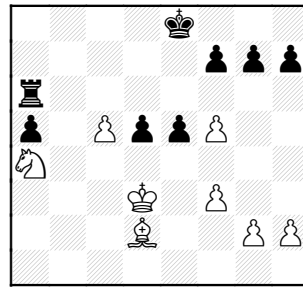
Or after 28...exf5, 29.c6 with c7, Na4-b6 coming

29.Bd2 Rc8 30.Na4 Rc6



31.Kf2  
31.Bxa5 Ra6

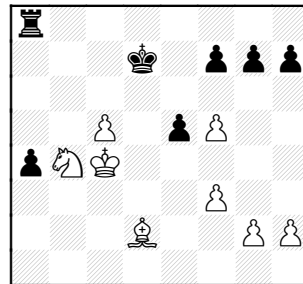
31...Kf8 32.Ke2 Ke8 33.Kd3  
Ra6



34.Nb6 a4

The Rook is behind passer, but there's details...

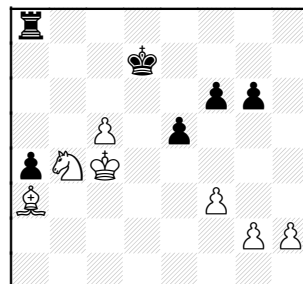
35.Nxd5 threatening Nc7+ forking  
35...Kd7 36.Nb4 Ra8 37.Kc4



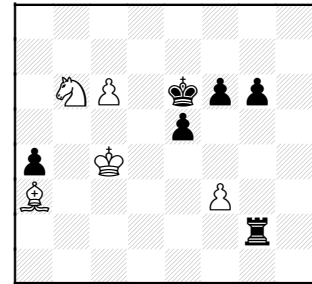
37...f6

37...a3 38.Kb3 and the Pawn will be won

38.Bc1 g6 39.fxg6 hxg6 40.Ba3



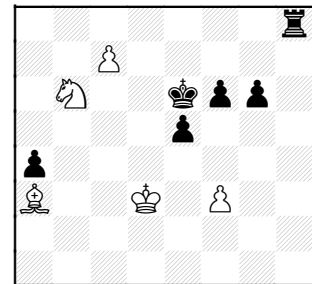
White has consolidated and can now harness his superior power.  
40...Ke6 41.Nd5 Rh8 42.Nb6  
42...Rxb2 43.c6 Rxb2



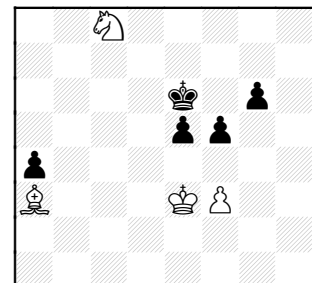
44.Kd3

Not 44.c7? Rc2+ wins Pawn

44...Rh2 45.c7 Rh8

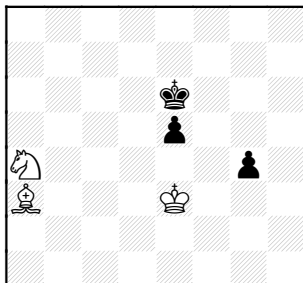


46.Ke3 f5 47.c8Q+ Rxc8  
48.Nxc8



48...g5 49.Nb6 g4 50.fxg4 fxg4

51.Nxa4



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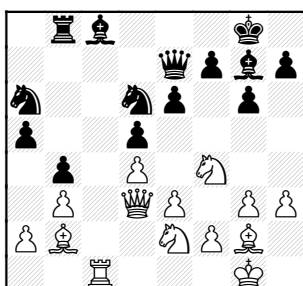
### Example 2.6

The B+N compensation in a long-term scenario

Teske, I - Szilagyi, P

Budapest, 1991

[PS/38]



This one is very wild. It all begins when White attempts to win two pieces for a Rook.

22.Rc6

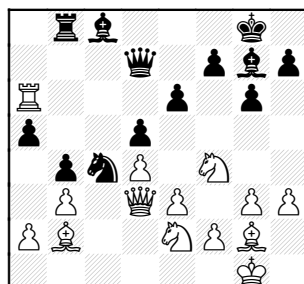
22.Rxc8+ Rxc8 23.Qxa6 Rc2

24.Bc1

24.Nd3 Rxe2

24...Rxa2 (Maybe 24...Qc7)

22...Qd7!! 23.Rxa6 Nc4!

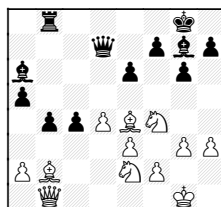


Forces an exchange-down position

24.Ra7

24.bxc4 Bxa6 ...dxc 25.Qb1 dxc4

26.Be4

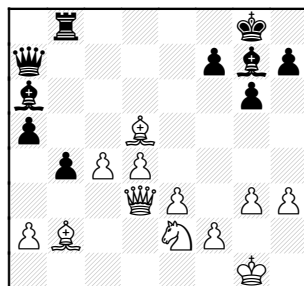


26...Qb5 27.d5 c3 28.Bc1 exd5

29.Bxd5 a4 (with idea of b3)

24...Qxa7 25.bxc4 Ba6 26.Nxd5

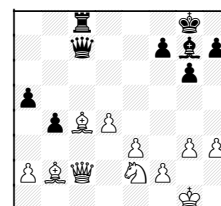
exd5 27.Bxd5



27...Qc7?!

27...Rc8! (idea Qc7) 28.Qc2

Bxc4 29.Bxc4 Qc7



30.Bxf7+ Kxf7 31.Qe4

31.Qb3+ Qc4

31...Kg8 ...Qc2

Or another try from game diagram, last column:

27...Qd7 ...Qxd5 28.e4!

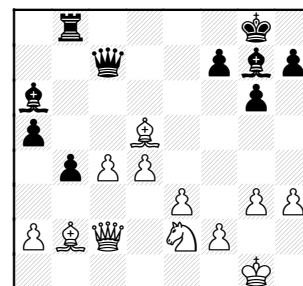
Not 28.Nf4 g5!

Or 28.Qb3 a4;

Or 28.Qe4 Rc8

28...Qxh3!?

28.Qc2



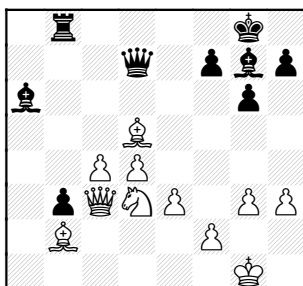
White has consolidated his compensation (the standard N+2 Pawns for Rook).

28...Qd7 threatens Rc8 to undermine d5-Bishop

28...Rc8 29.c5 with good play

29.Nf4? [29.Bg2] 29...a4 30.Nd3

b3 31.axb3 axb3 32.Qc3



32...Qd6

32...Qxh3 33.Nc5 Bc8 34.Nxb3  
is not clear

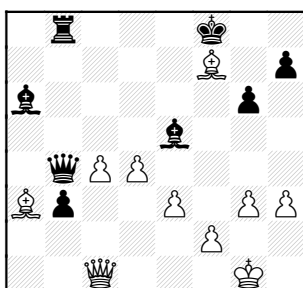
33.Ne5

If 33.Nc5 Qxc5!  
But maybe 33.Bg2

33...Qb4! 34.Bxf7+

Overextending his pieces. Better  
is 34.Qc1

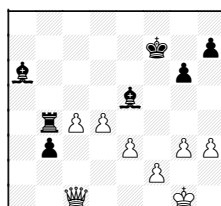
34...Kf8 35.Qc1 Bxe5 36.Ba3



36...Bd6?

36...b2? 37.Qxb2

36...Kxf7 wins 37.Bxb4 Rxb4  
(Diagram next)



38.Qb2

38.dxe5 b2 39.Qb1 Bxc4 40.Kh2  
Rb7! ...Bd3

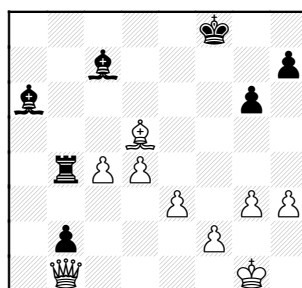
38.Qa3 Rb8 39.Qxa6 b2

38...Bc7 39.c5

39.Qa3 Rb6 40.c5 b2

39...Bb7 ...Bd5,Ra4-2

37.Bxb4 Rxb4 38.Bd5 b2  
39.Qb1 Bc7



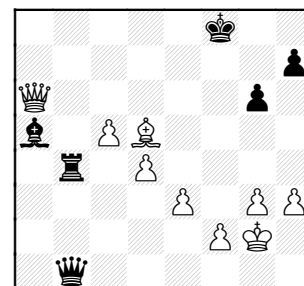
40.Kg2!

40.c5? Bd3!

40...Ba5

40...Kg7 41.Qe4 b1Q 42.Qe7+  
Kh6 43.Qf8+ Kh5 44.Bf3+ Kg5  
45.h4#

41.c5! idea of Ba2,Qe4 41...Bd3  
42.Qxd3 b1Q 43.Qa6!



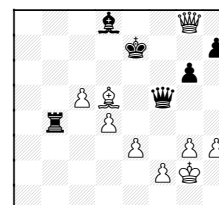
43...Qf5

After 43...Bd8 44.Qe6

Black would lose by:

A) 44..Rb7 45.Qg8+ Ke7  
46.Qf7#, or

B) 44...Qf5 45.Qg8+ Ke7



46.Qg7+ Ke8 47.Bc6+ Qd7  
48.Bxd7#, or

C) 44...Kg7 45.Qf7+

44.e4 Qg5 45.Qxa5 Rb2  
46.Qa8+ Ke7 47.Qa7+ Kd8  
48.Qf7 1-0

## SECTION 3

### Sicilian Middlegames

It should come as no surprise that the positions arriving from the Sicilian Defense deserve their own division. With its natural central Pawn imbalances, piece play, and widely-different variations, the attacking options are plentiful. But there's also Black's possibilities down the c-file, where a Rook

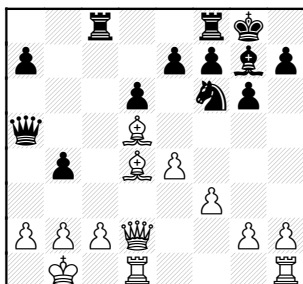
placed on c8 naturally puts the sacrifice for the Knight at c3 in question. Additionally, if the c3-Knight is gone, e4 becomes weak and, straightaway, Black has his compensation. As we progress through these examples, please note how early the sacrifice can occur. It is often not a middlegame device, but, rather, the intent from the very start of the game!

Anyone playing the Sicilian, whether by choice or trying to defeat it, needs to be aware of many of these positions. They are so key to understanding Sicilian themes, that I have marked some of them as "Stock" sacrifices. One of the traits of a strong player is a wealth of known plans for a given position. This section will increase your net worth.

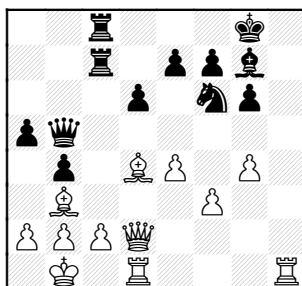
### Example 3.1 STOCK SIC-SAC #1

A common sac for White, illustrated by a well-known "expert"...

Fischer - Larson  
Portoroz, 1958 [PS/18]

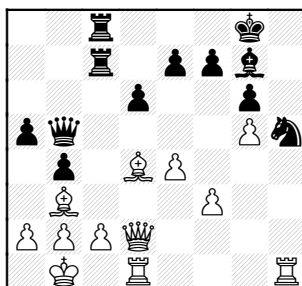


16.Bb3 Rc7 17.h4 Qb5 18.h5  
Rfc8 19.hxg6 hxg6 20.g4 a5

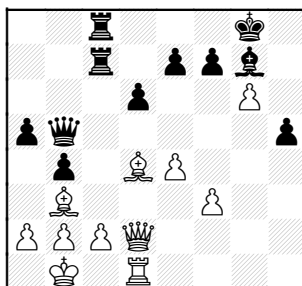


21.g5  
White gets there first. Obviously, the immediate threats are Bxg7 and Qh2.

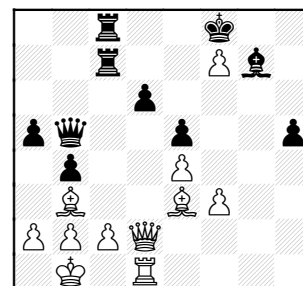
21...Nh5



22.Rxh5 gxh5 23.g6

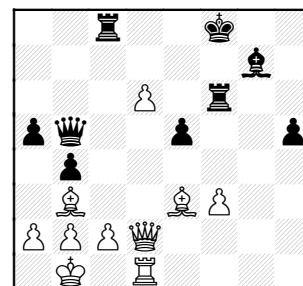


23...e5 24.gxf7+ Kf8 25.Be3

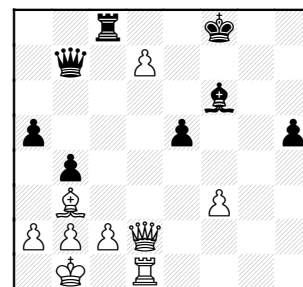


The sacrifice has also made d5 available for the Bishop. If given time, White has Bh6, Bxg7+, Qg5+.

25...d5 26.exd5 Rxf7 27.d6 Rf6



28.Bg5 Qb7 29.Bxf6 Bxf6  
30.d7



30...Rd8 31.Qd6+ 1-0

### EXAMPLE 3.2

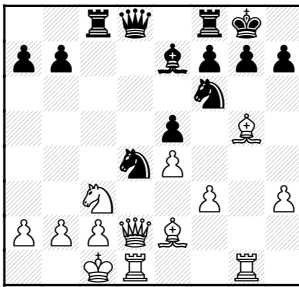
STOCK SIC-SAC #2

The exchange sac weakens the castled King's defences.

Karaklajic - Joppen

Belgrade, 1954

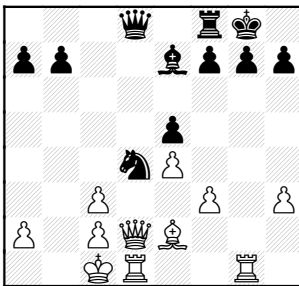
[SIS/7]



15...Rxc3 16.Bxf6

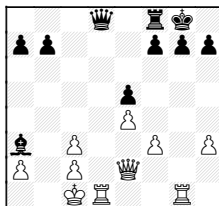
16.bxc3 Ba3+ Black wins

16...Bxf6 17.bxc3 Be7!



The threats are Ba3+ and Qb6+  
18.Kb1

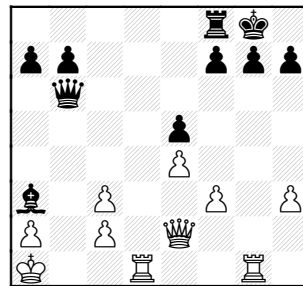
Trying to create space for the King fails: 18.Qd3? Nxe2+ 19.Qxe2 Ba3+



20.Kb1 Qb6+ 21.Ka1 Qb2#

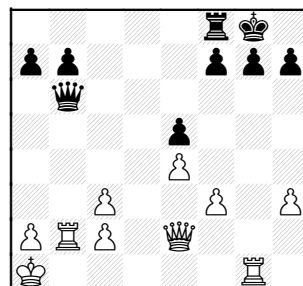
Or, similarly, 18.Qh6 Nxe2+ 19.Kb1 Qb6+

18...Qb6+ 19.Ka1 Nxe2  
20.Qxe2 Ba3



Black considers the whole board, as we'll see in a couple moves!

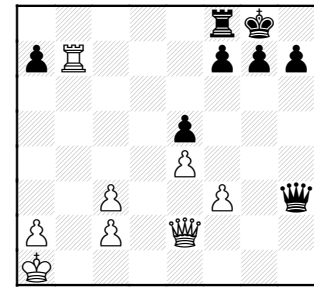
21.Rb1 Bb2+! 22.Rxb2



22...Qxg1+ 23.Rb1 Qg3  
24.Rxb7?

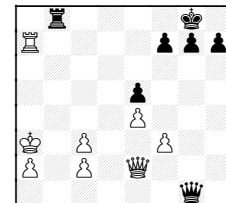
24.Qf1 b6 Black is fine, with idea of Rd8 and h6 next

24...Qxh3



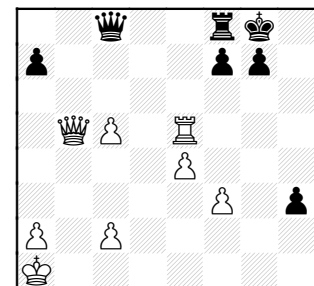
25.c4

25.Rxa7? Qh1+ 26.Kb2 Rb8+ 27.Ka3 Qg1 and wins

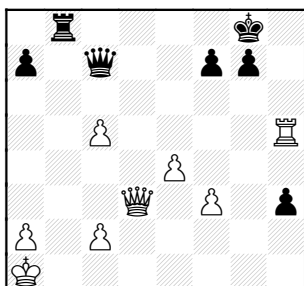


threatening Qxa7, Qc5+, and Qb6 with mate threats.

25...h5 26.c5 Qc8 27.Qb5 h4  
28.Re7 h3 29.Rxe5



29...Qc7 30.Rh5 Rb8 31.Qd3



31...Qf4!  
31...Qb7 32.Qb3

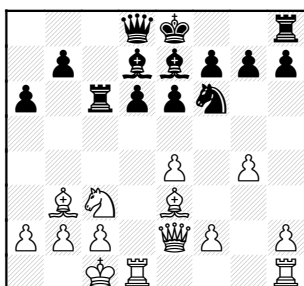
32.Qd1 Qe3 and Qc3+ is  
unstoppable. 0-1

### Example 3.3

A similar position, but a Bishop at b3 helps the defense and the sac fails.

Ostojic - Sofrevsky  
Skopje, 1969

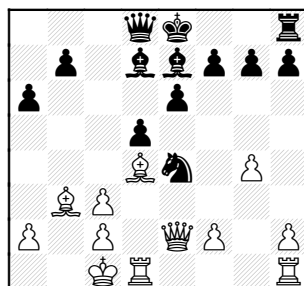
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The b3-Bishop protects the King and Black's pieces are not poised to take over space.

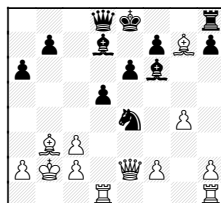
12...Rxc3?  
Better is 12...0-0 13.g5 Ne8

13.bxc3 Nxe4 14.Bd4 d5



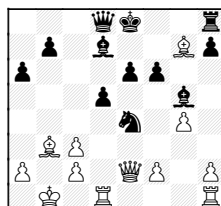
15.f3

15.Bxg7 Bg5+  
A) 16.Kb2 Bf6



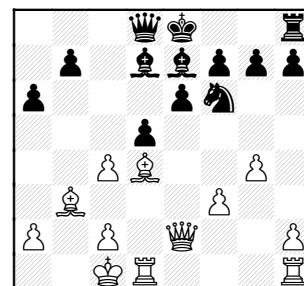
17.Bxf6  
17.Bxh8? Nxc3 18.Bxf6 Qxf6  
17...Qxf6 18.Qe3 Qxf2

Or (after 15 Bxg7 Bg5+)  
B) 16.Kb1 f6!

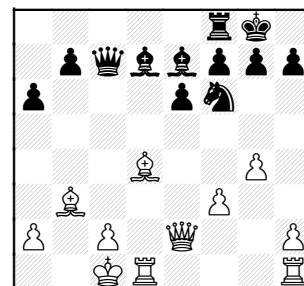


17.Rd3 Rg8 18.h4 Bd2

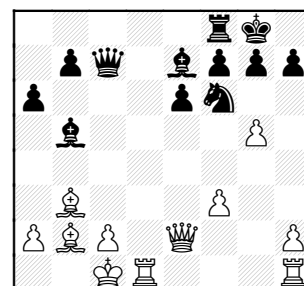
15...Nf6 16.c4!



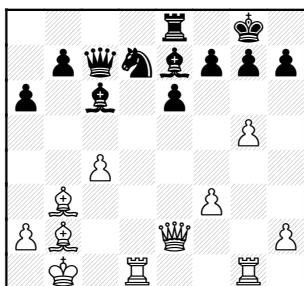
Opening lines to his favor  
16...dxc4 17.Qxc4 0-0 18.Qe2  
Qc7



19.Be5 Qc8 20.Bb2 Qc7  
21.Be5 Qc8 22.Bb2 Qc7 23.g5  
Bb5



24.c4! Nd7 25.Kb1 Bc6  
26.Rhg1 Re8



27.g6!  
White is ready to finish up.

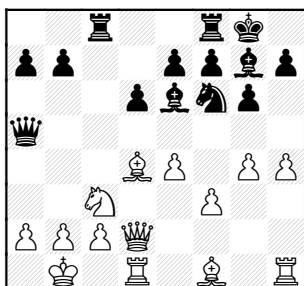
### Example 3.4

Another example of the sac attacking aiding in attack.

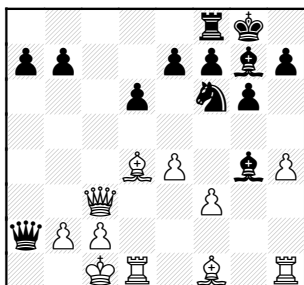
Smart - Levy

Herts jch, 1962

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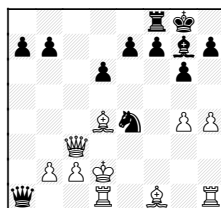
13...Rxc3 14.Qxc3 Qxa2+  
15.Kc1 Bxg4!



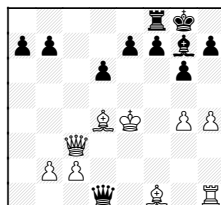
Setting up Bh6+ which otherwise blocked by the simple move g5.

16.Bg2

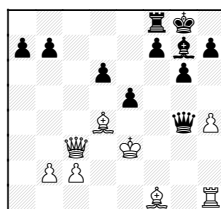
16.fxg4 Qa1+ 17.Kd2 Nxe4+



18.Ke3 Qxd1 19.Kxe4



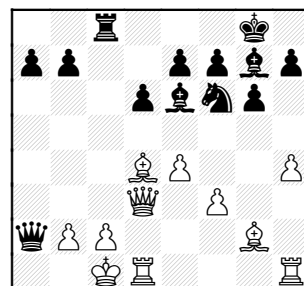
19...Qxg4+ 20.Ke3 e5



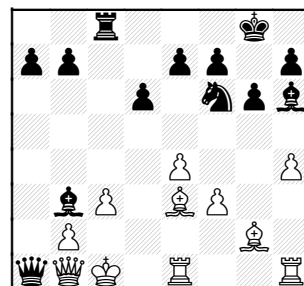
21.Bxa7 e4

16...Rc8 17.Qd3  
17.Qa3 Bh6+

17...Be6



Threatening Bb3!  
18.c3 Bb3 19.Rde1 Bh6+  
20.Be3 Qa1+ 21.Qb1



21...Rxc3+! Black wins

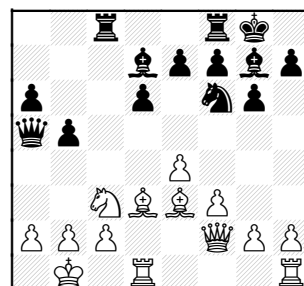
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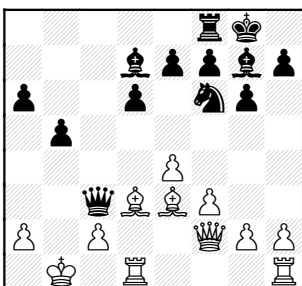
Bellon - Adorjan

Groningen, 1969

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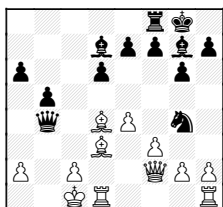
15...Rxc3 16.bxc3 Qxc3



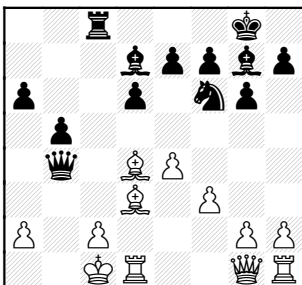
17.Kc1

17.Qd2 Nxe4!

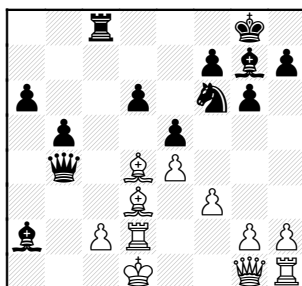
Or if 17.Bd4 Qb4+ 18.Kc1 Ng4!



17...Rc8 18.Bd4 Qb4 19.Qg1

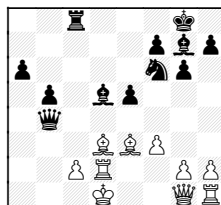


19...Be6 20.Rd2 Bxa2 21.Kd1 e5



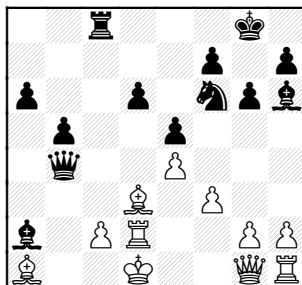
22.Ba1

22.Be3 d5! 23.exd5 Bxd5



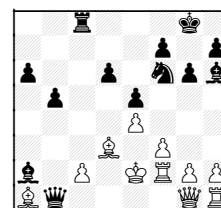
24.Ke2 e4

22...Bh6



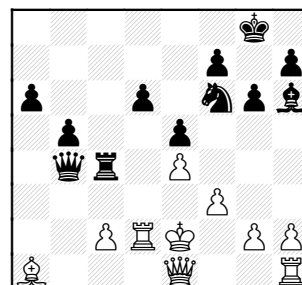
23.Qe1

After 23.Rf2 Qb1+ 24.Ke2



24...Rxc2+

23...Bc4 24.Bxc4 Rxc4 25.Ke2



25...Nxe4! 0-1

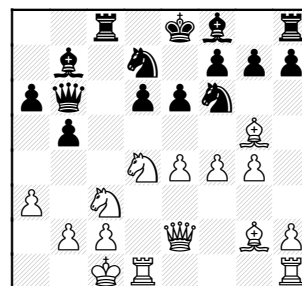
### Example 3.6

An early exchange sac. Black melds defense with attack.

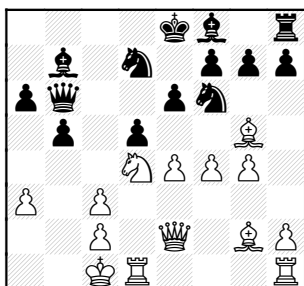
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Novosibirsk, 1976

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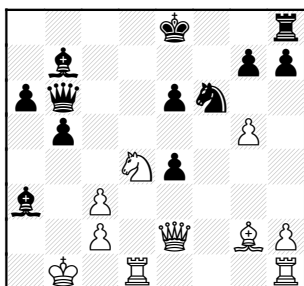


12...Rxc3 13.bxc3 d5

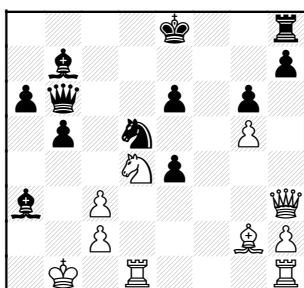


14.f5  
14.Kb2 Qc5 15.Ra1 Nb6

14...Bxa3+ 15.Kb1 dxe4  
16.fxe6 fxe6 17.Bxf6 Nxf6  
18.g5

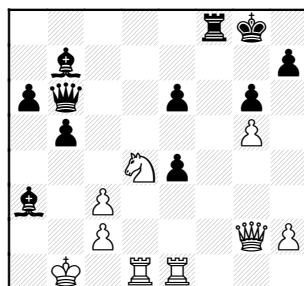


18...Nd5 19.Qh5+ g6 20.Qh3

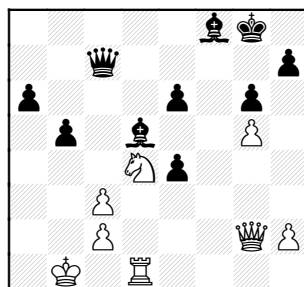


e6 now needs help

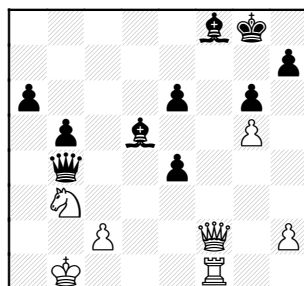
20...Nf4 21.Qg3 0-0 22.Rhe1  
Nxc2 23.Qxc2



Black is clearly winning. White's King is in trouble.  
23...Bd5 24.Rf1 Qc7 25.Rxf8+ Bxf8

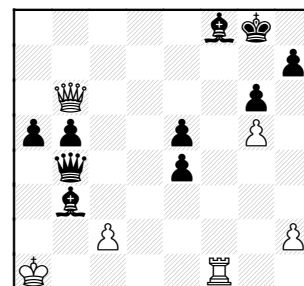


The Bishop is even more powerful here, and out of the Queen's way.  
26.Qf2 Qxc3 27.Rf1 Qb4+ 28.Nb3

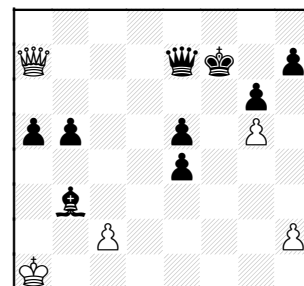


Qf7+ is annoying 28...e5  
Black's a-Pawn threatens to finish up.

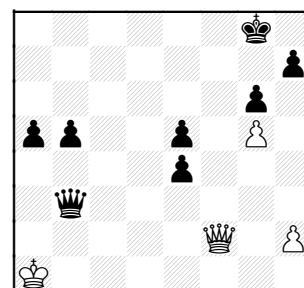
29.Ka1 a5 30.Qb6 Bxb3



31.Rxf8+ Kxf8 32.Qb8+ Kf7  
33.Qa7+ Qe7



The Pawn ending is easy, so White has to keep Queens on.  
34.Qf2+ Kg8 35.cxb3 Qa3+  
36.Kb1 Qxb3+ 37.Ka1

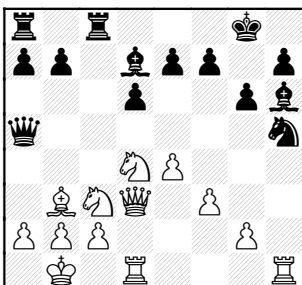


37...Qc3+ 38.Ka2 Qc4+ 0-1

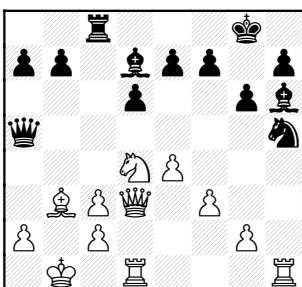
### EXAMPLE 3.7

Something a little deep. Black manages to win by exchange-sacrificing BOTH Rooks!! White doesn't fail to get his share of punches in, however.

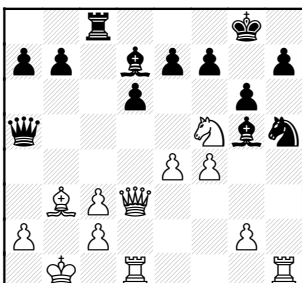
Cherepkov - Vasyukov  
Spartakiad, 1967 [SIS/12]



16...Rxc3 17.bxc3 Rc8

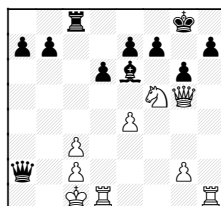


18.Nf5! Bg5 19.f4



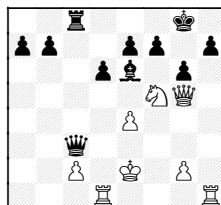
19...Rxc3

19...Nxf4 20.Qg3 Ne6 21.Bxe6  
Bxe6 22.Qxg5 Qxa2+ 23.Kc1

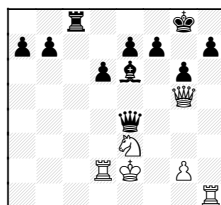


23...Rxc3

Interesting is 23...Qa1+ 24.Kd2  
Qxc3+ 25.Ke2



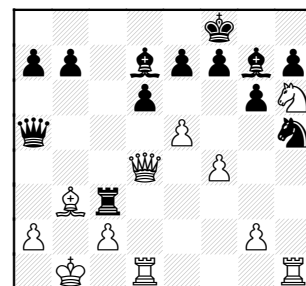
25...Qxc2+ 26.Rd2 Qxe4+  
27.Ne3



With the unbelievable material  
balance of SIX Pawns for Rook

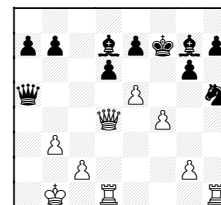
24.Ne3 Bb3 25.Kd2!

20.Qd4 Bf6 21.Nh6+ Kf8 22.e5  
Bg7

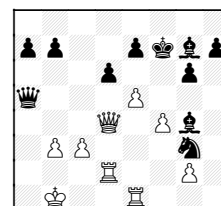


23.g4

Not 23.Nxf7? Rxb3+ 24.axb3  
Kxf7

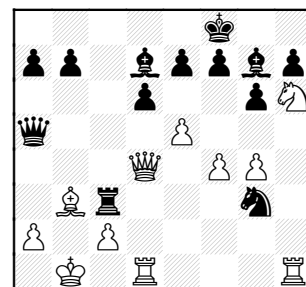


25.Rhe1 Bg4 26.Rd2 Ng3 27.c3



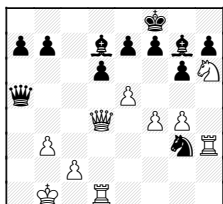
27...Qa3 28.Rb2 Bf5+ Jansa-  
Vasyukov, Havana 1967

23...Ng3

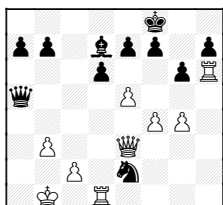


24.Nxf7

24.Rh3 Rxb3+ 25.axb3



25...Ne2 26.Qe3 Bxh6 27.Rxh6



27...Nc3+

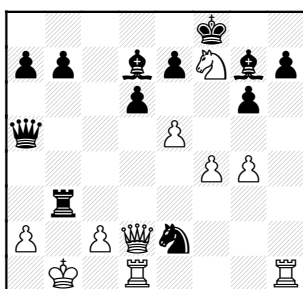
24...Ne2

24...Nxh1? 25.Nxd6

25.Qd2

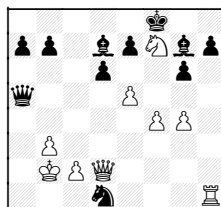
25.Qd5 Qxd5 26.Bxd5 Rc5!

25...Rxb3+

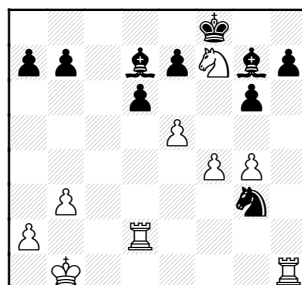


26.cxb3

26.axb3 Nc3+ 27.Kb2 Nxd1+



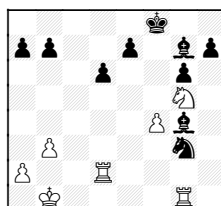
26...Qxd2 27.Rxd2 Ng3



28.Rg1?

White has 2 better ideas:

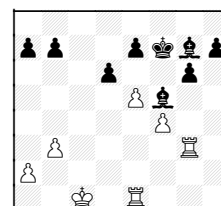
**A)** 28.e6 Bxe6 29.Ng5 Bxg4  
30.Rg1



30...Bf5+

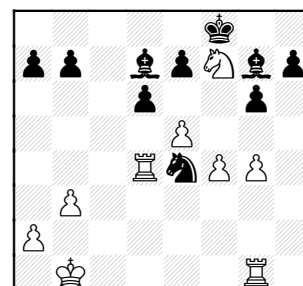
Or

**B)** 28.Re1 Kxf7 29.Rg2 Bxg4  
30.Rxg3 Bf5+ 31.Kc1

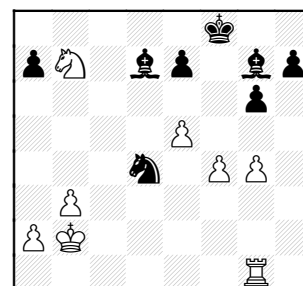


31...dxe5 32.fxe5 Ke6

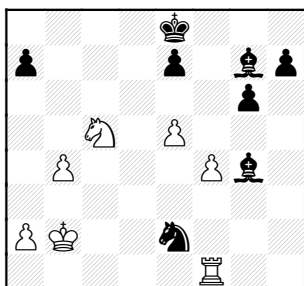
28...Ne4 29.Rd4



29...Nc3+ 30.Kb2 Ne2 31.Nxd6  
Nxd4 32.Nxb7

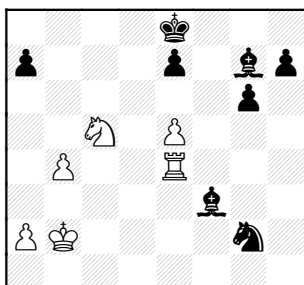


32...Ne2 33.Rf1 Bxg4 34.Nc5  
Ke8 35.b4



Not just two pieces for Rook, but also two Bishops!  
**35...Nxf4! 36.Re1**

Of course 36.Rxf4 Bxe5+ forking  
**36...Ng2 37.Re4 Bf3**



**38.Rc4 0-1**

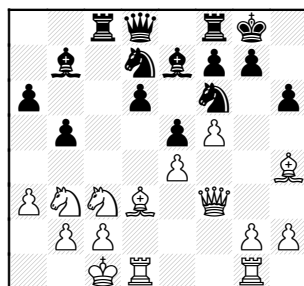
### EXAMPLE 3.8

The "Party Animal" game, where the entire Black army is invited to crash the c3-block.

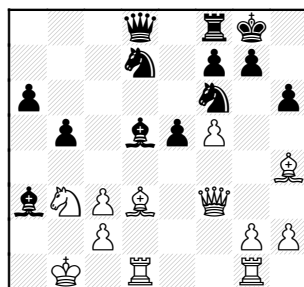
It can be seen as "STOCK SIC-SAC #2". The only difference is that an extra move is required to get Be7-xa3 in.

**Botterill - Verber**  
 Dresden, 1969

[SIS/7]

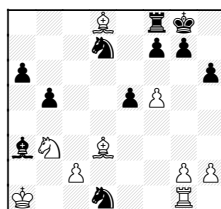


**15...Rxc3 16.bxc3 d5 17.exd5 Bxa3+ 18.Kb1 Bxd5**



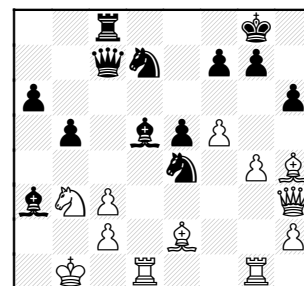
**19.Qh3**

**19.Qxd5 Nxd5 20.Bxd8 Nxc3+ 21.Ka1 Nxd1**



**22.Rxd1 Rxd8 23.f6 g6!**

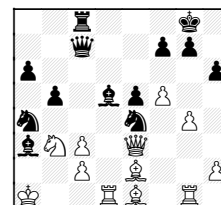
**19...Oc7 20.Be2 Rc8 21.g4 Ne4**



Yikes!! Everybody heads to the party at c3. White doesn't have time to stop for beer, and thus is treated extremely rudely.

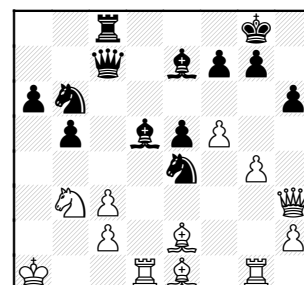
**22.Be1 Nb6** another party animal is arriving **23.Ka1**

No better is **23.Qe3 Na4 24.Ka1**



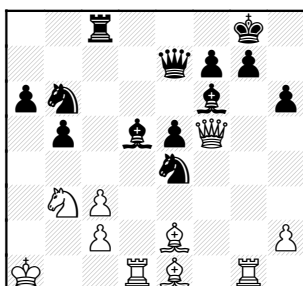
**24...Bb2+ 25.Ka2 Nxc3+ 26.Bxc3 Nxc3+ 27.Kxb2 Nxe2**

**23...Be7!**



Time for the heavies to show up:  
threat is Qd6-a3+

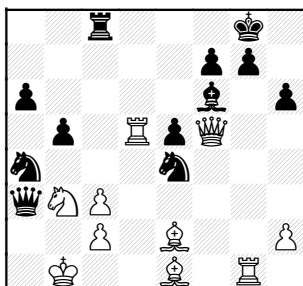
24.g5 Bxg5 25.f6 Bxf6  
The Priest stays sober and  
guards his King. 26.Qf5 Qe7



27.Rxd5

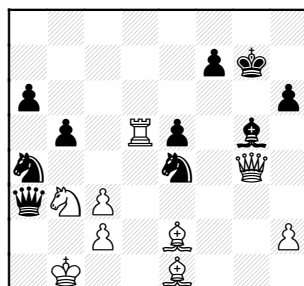
27.Ka2 Nxc3+ 28.Bxc3 Rxc3  
29.Bd3 e4

27...Qa3+ 28.Kb1 Na4



Incidentally, the German for  
"game" is "partie"!!!

29.Qxc8+ Kh7 30.Rxg7+ Kxg7  
31.Qg4+ Bg5



Once again, a material deficit  
doesn't matter in the end. 0-1

### EXAMPLE 3.9

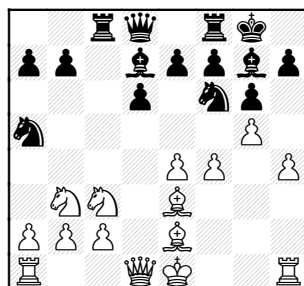
#### STOCK SIC-SAC #4.

The Dragon Bishop is unleashed  
with the exchange sacrifice.

#### Gurfinkel - Archakova

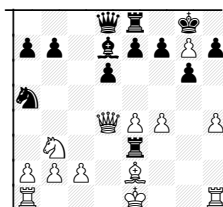
USSR Ladies ch, 1960

[SIS/4]



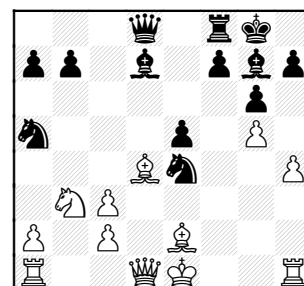
12...Rxc3! 13.bxc3

13.gxf6 Rxe3 14.fxg7 Re8  
15.Qd4



15...Nxb3 16.axb3 Qb6

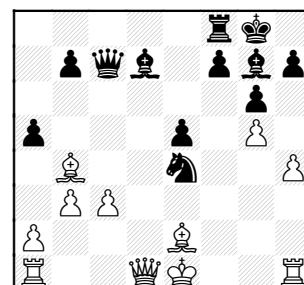
13...Nxe4 14.Bd4 e5 15.fxe5  
dxe5



16.Bc5 Qc7 17.Bb4

17.Bxa7 b6

17...Nxb3 18.cxb3 a5

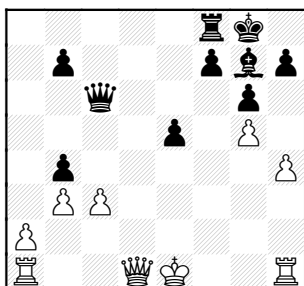


A second exchange sac offer!  
White's King is obviously  
exposed.

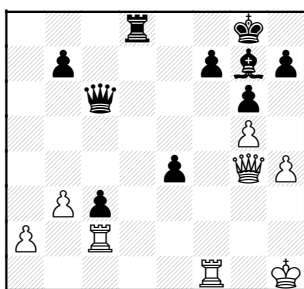
19.Bf3 axb4 20.Bxe4 Bc6

Maybe 20...Qxc3+

21.Bxc6 Qxc6

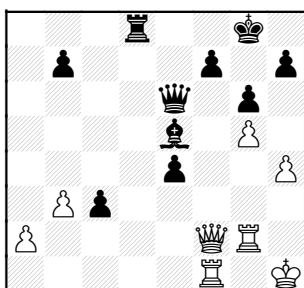


22.0-0 bxc3 23.Rc1 e4 24.Rc2 Qb6+ 25.Kh1 Rd8 26.Qg4 Qc6



Scattered Pawns aren't always weak!

27.Qf4 Qd5 28.Rg2 Be5 29.Qf2 Qe6

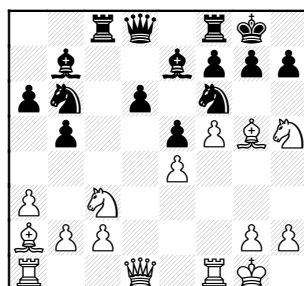


The h3 square is fatally weak.

30.Qe1 Qh3+ 31.Kg1 Bd4+ Black wins

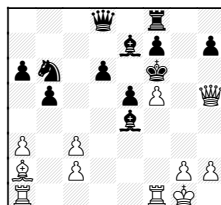
**EXAMPLE 3.10**  
Bobby Fischer blows one !??

**Olafsson - Fischer**  
Bled, 1959 *[SIS/3]*



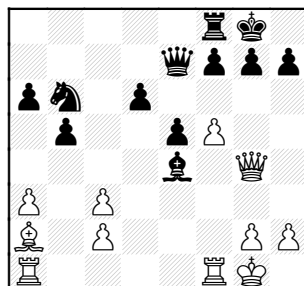
15...Rxc3? [15...Nc4] 16.bxc3 Nxb5

16...Bxe4 17.Nxg7 Kxg7  
18.Bxf6+ Kxf6 19.Qh5

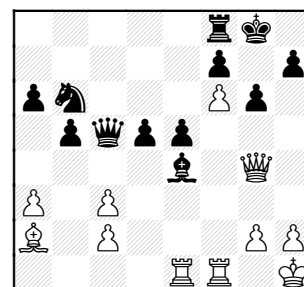


19...Kg7 20.Qg4+

17.Bxe7 Qxe7 18.Qxh5 Bxe4  
19.Qg4

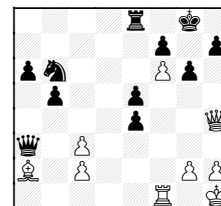


19...d5 20.f6 Qc5+ 21.Kh1 g6  
22.Rae1



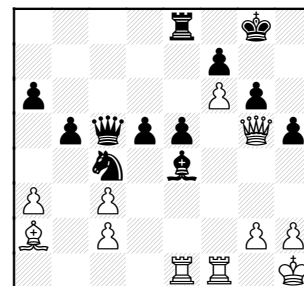
22...Re8

22...Oxa3 23.Qh4 Re8 24.Rxe4 dxe4

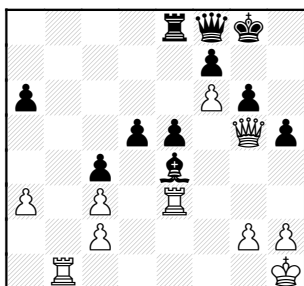


25.Bxf7+ Kxf7 26.Qxh7+ Ke6  
27.Qxg6 and White wins

23.Qh4 h5 24.Qg5 Nc4



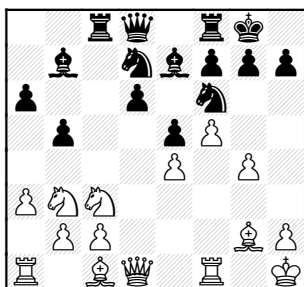
25.Bxc4 bxc4 26.Re3 Qf8  
27.Rb1



White is much better as his extra Rook towers over the open board.

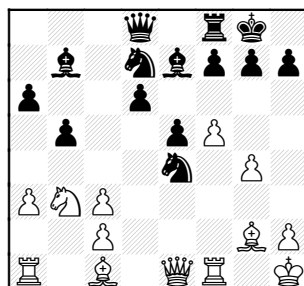
**EXAMPLE 3.11**  
STOCK SIC-SAC #5  
Attack on the Kingside.

Barashkov - Suetin  
USSR ch, 1948 [SIS/8]

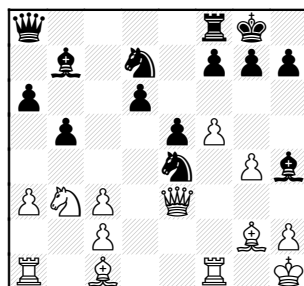


White has expanded his Kingside despite being castled there. The exchange sac weakens e4, which in turns exposes the long diagonal.

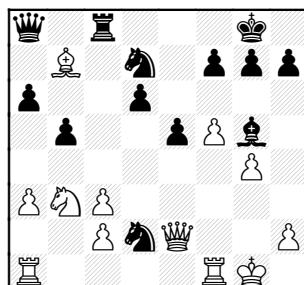
14...Rxc3 15.bxc3 Nxe4 16.Qe1



Getting a jump on a possible Qb6, Nf2+ and problems after Nxc3 which otherwise would hit Queen and long diagonal.  
16...Bh4 Thanks for the free move. 17.Qe3 Qa8

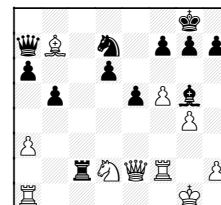


Black owns the key diagonal, threatening Ng3+  
18.Kg1 Rc8 19.Bd2 [19.Bb2 Bd8!] 19...Bg5 20.Qe2 Nxd2 21.Bxb7



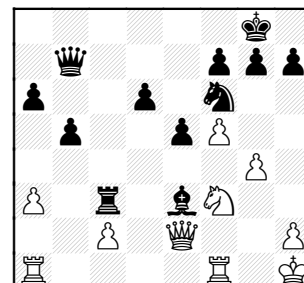
21...Qxb7

21...Qa7+ 22.Rf2 Rxc3 23.Nxd2 Rxc2

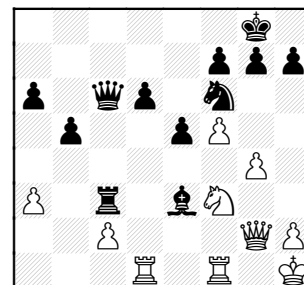


24.Rd1 Qxb7 25.Qd3 with counterplay

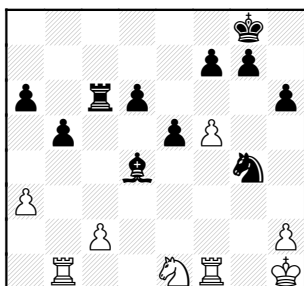
22.Nxd2 Rxc3 idea is Be3+ 23.Nf3 Be3+ 24.Kh1 Nf6



25.Qg2 Qc6 26.Rad1

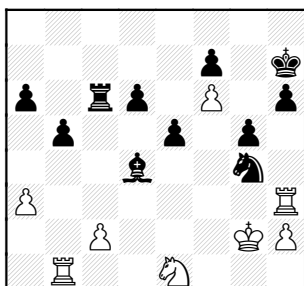


White wants to play Nxe5! next.  
26...h6 [26...Rxc2 27.Rxd6!] 27.Ne1 Nxg4 28.Qxc6 Rxc6 29.Rb1 Bd4

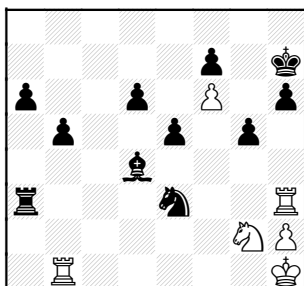


It's over.. Black has three healthy Pawns for his exchange sac.

30.Rf3 Ne3 31.f6 g5 32.Rh3 Ng4 33.Kg2 Kh7



34.c3 Ne3+ 35.Kh1 Rxc3 36.Ng2 Rxa3



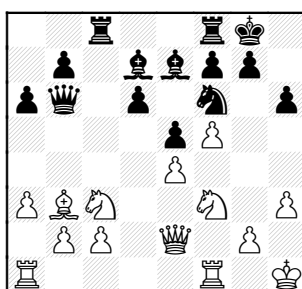
Hopefully, Black's advantage is obvious to you.

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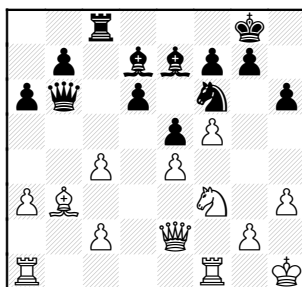
### EXAMPLE 3.12

Sometimes the material compensation takes some time to come! Here, Black uses his pieces to pressure White into concessions.

Hjuverinen - Szabo,J  
Leningrad, 1960 [SIS/10]

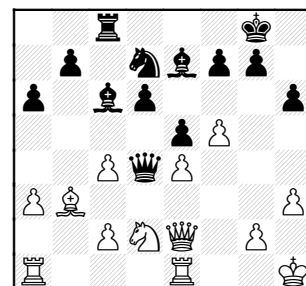


20...Rxc3 21.bxc3 Rc8 22.c4

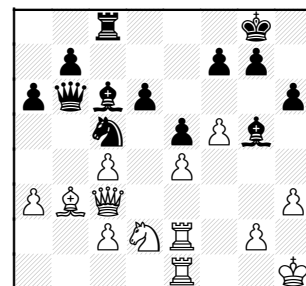


But now the Bishop is permanently a big Pawn.

22...Bc6 23.Nd2 Qd4 24.Rfe1 Nd7

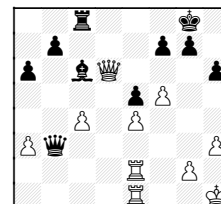


25.Qd3 Qb6 keeping the heat on 26.Re2 Nc5 27.Qc3 Bg5 28.Rae1

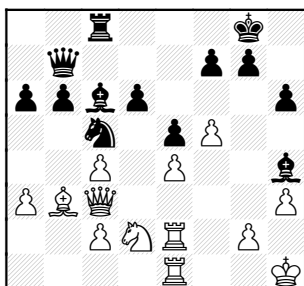


Black has succeeded in tying White down so now begins to organize material gains. 28...Qc7

Please don't trade away your pressure: 28...Bxd2 29.Qxd2 Nxb3 30.cxb3 Qxb3 31.Qxd6

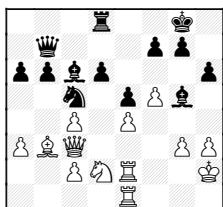


29.Nf3 Be7 30.Qd2 b6 31.Qc3 Qb7 32.Nd2 Bh4



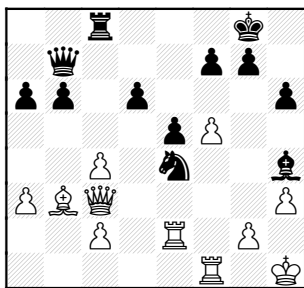
Finally, White has to give.  
33.Rf1 now g3 is a forking square

33.g3 Bg5 34.Kh2 Rd8

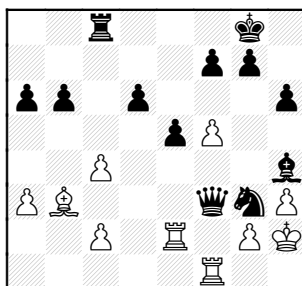


and Bxd2 next

33...Bxe4 34.Nxe4 [34.Kh2]  
34...Nxe4



35.Qf3 Ng3+ 36.Kh2 Qxf3

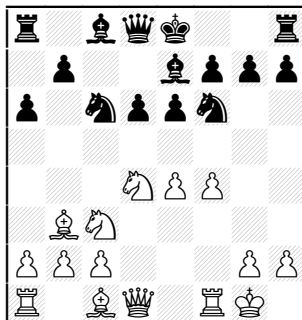


37.Rxf3 Nxe2 0-1

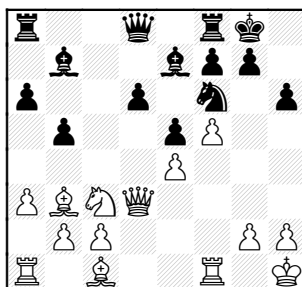
### EXAMPLE 3.13 JUST FOR FUN #1

Gipslis - Simagin [B88]  
USSR ch, 1957 [SIS/15]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4  
4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bc4 e6  
7.0-0 Be7 8.Bb3 Nc6 9.f4

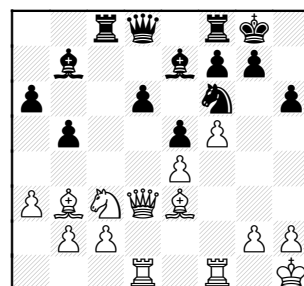


9...Nxd4 10.Qxd4 0-0 11.Kh1  
b5 12.a3 Bb7 13.f5 e5 14.Qd3  
h6



15.Be3  
Better is 15.Bd2 Rc8 16.Rae1

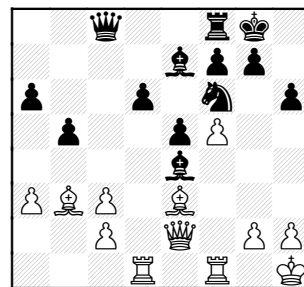
15...Rc8 16.Rad1



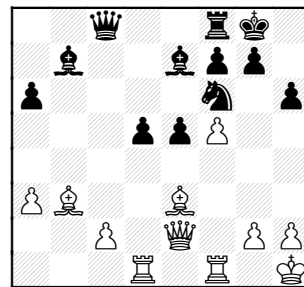
16...Rxc3 17.bxc3

Trying to keep Pawns intact  
doesn't matter much. 17.Qxc3  
Bxe4 and Qd7, Bxf5 follow

17...Bxe4 18.Qe2 Qc8



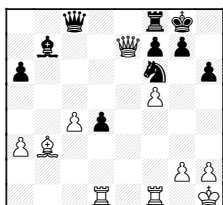
19.c4 bxc4 20.Bxc4 Bb7  
21.Bb3 d5



Threatens Bxa3, of course  
**22.Bc1**

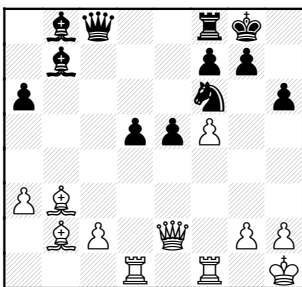
22.c4 d4 23.Bxd4  
 (23.Bc1 Bd6)

23...exd4 24.Qxe7

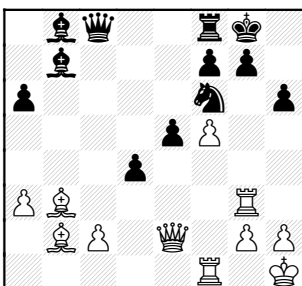


24...Re8 25.Qd6 Re2 26.Rg1  
Ne4+

**22...Bd6 23.Bb2 Bb8!**

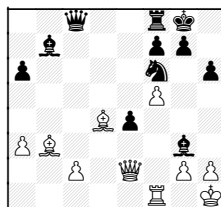


24.Rd3 [24.Bxe5? Re8] 24...d4  
25.Rg3

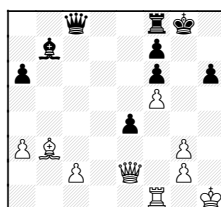


**25...Rd8**

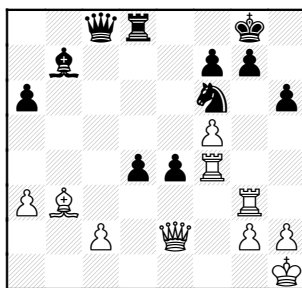
[25...e4? 26.Bxd4 Bxg3



**27.Bxf6!** (Idea of Qg4) 27...gxf6  
28.hxg3



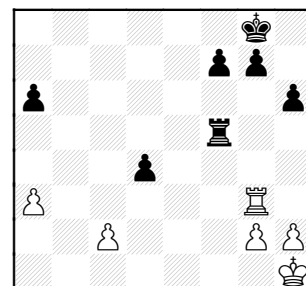
**26.Bc1 e4 27.Bf4 Bxf4 28.Rxf4**



**28...Bd5 29.Bxd5 Rxd5**  
**30.Rxe4**

**30.Rfg4 Nxc4 (30...d3) 31.Qxc4**  
**g6**

**30...Nxe4 31.Qxe4 Qxf5**  
**32.Qxf5 Rxf5**



and Black won the Rook ending.  
**0-1**

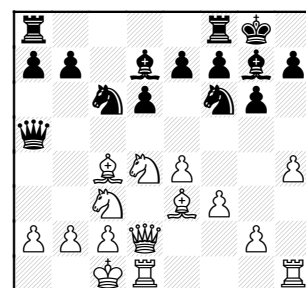
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Just for fun #2

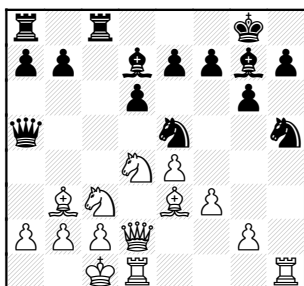
This one's fun because both sides sacrifice the exchange.

**Huguet - Wade [B79]**  
 Monte Carlo, 1967 [SIS/16]

**1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4**  
**4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Be3**  
**Bg7 7.f3 Nc6 8.Qd2 0-0 9.Bc4**  
**Bd7 10.h4 Qa5 11.0-0-0**



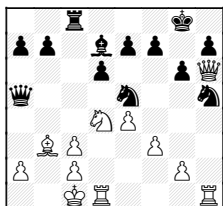
**11...Rfc8 12.Bb3 Ne5 13.h5**  
**Nxh5**



14.g4

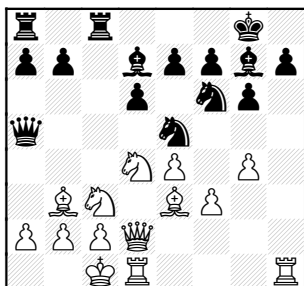
Maybe.. 14.Bh6 Nd3+!?

14...Bxh6 15.Qxh6 Rxc3  
16.bxc3 Rc8



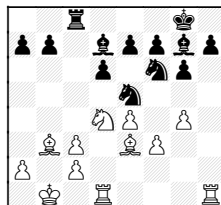
Or.. 14.Kb1 Rxc3 15.Qxc3 Qxc3  
16.bxc3 Rc8

14...Nf6



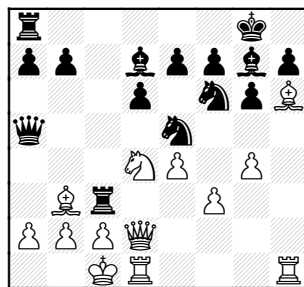
15.Bh6

15.Kb1 Rxc3 16.Qxc3 Qxc3  
17.bxc3 Rc8



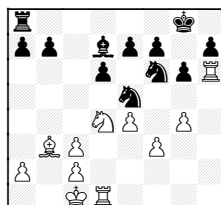
18.Kb2 a5

15...Rxc3!



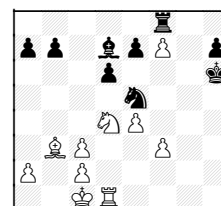
16.bxc3

16.Qxc3 Qxc3 17.bxc3 Bxh6+  
18.Rxh6



18...Nh5!?  
(18...b5=)

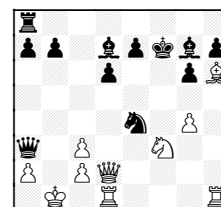
19.gxh5 Kg7 20.hxg6 Kxh6  
21.gxf7 Rf8



Black's h-passer will effect play.  
22.Rg1

16...Bxh6

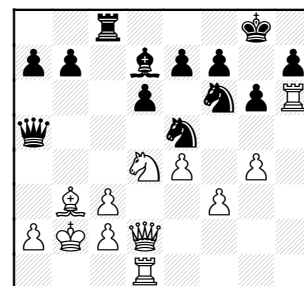
16...Nxf3 17.Bxf7+ Kxf7 18.Nxf3  
Qa3+ 19.Kb1 Nxe4



20.Qf4+ Bf5=

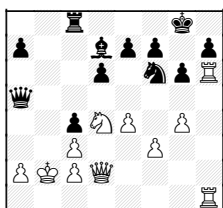
17.Rxh6  
17.Qxh6 Rc8

17...Rc8 18.Kb2



18...Qb6

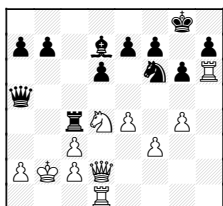
18...b5? 19.Rdh1 Nc4+ 20.Bxc4  
bxc4



21.Rxh7! Nxh7 22.Qh6 Tal-Wade, Palma 1966

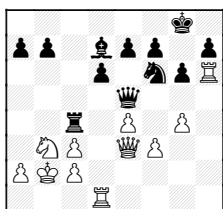
Another try from last game diagram is:

18...Nc4+ 19.Bxc4 Rxc4

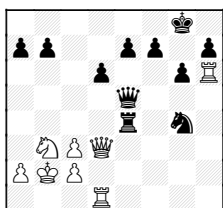


20.Nb3  
(20.Rdh1 Ra4!)

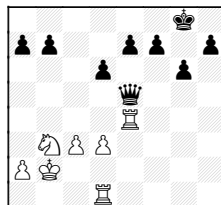
20...Qe5 21.Qe3



21...Bxg4! 22.fxg4 Nxg4 23.Od3 Rxe4



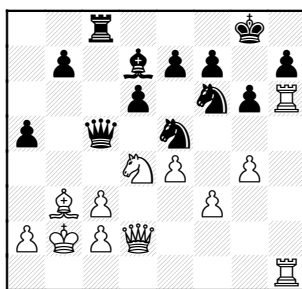
24.Rh4 Nf2 25.Rxe4 Nxd3+ 26.cxd3



and is unclear

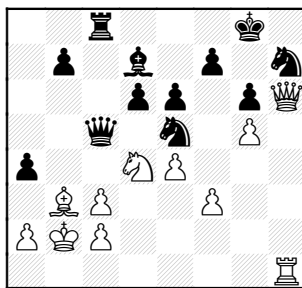
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19.Kc1 Qa5 20.Kb2 Qb6 21.Kc1 Qc5 22.Kb2 a5 23.Rdh1



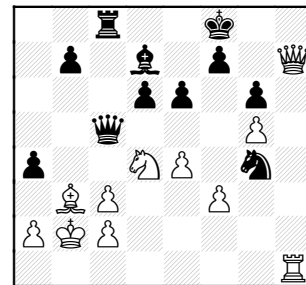
23...a4? [23...e6!] 24.Rxh7  
White tries his hand at the exchange sac.

24...Nxh7 25.Qh6 e6 26.g5



White plans the mating series:  
Qxh7+, Qh8+, Qf6+, Rh8#

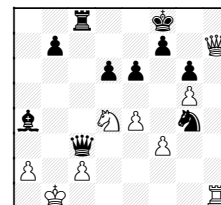
26...Ng4! 27.Qxh7+ Kf8



28.Ne2?? Black should win

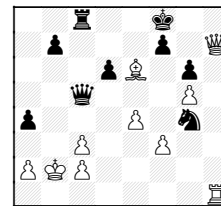
After A) 28.fxg4 Qxc3+ 29.Kb1 Qxd4

Or B) 28.Bxa4 Qxc3+ 29.Kb1 Bxa4



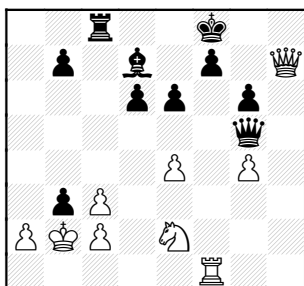
30.Nxe6+ Ke7

C) So best was 28.Nxe6+!! Bxe6 29.Bxe6 with equal chances

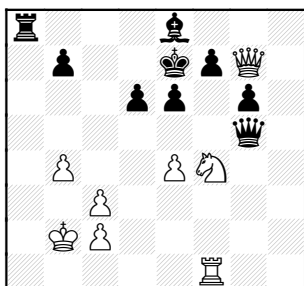


29...Qxc3+ 30.Kb1 Qxc2+ 31.Ka1

28...axb3 29.fxg4 Qxg5 30.Rf1



30...Be8 31.Nf4 Ke7 32.axb3  
Ra8 33.b4 Qxg4 34.Qg7 Qg5



Transferring the Queen with  
Qb5-a6

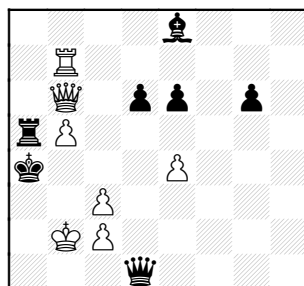
35.Qd4 Qb5 36.Nxg6+ fxg6  
37.Qg7+ Kd8 38.Qf6+ Kd7  
39.Rh1 Qa6 40.Rh7+ Kc6  
41.Kc1 Qe2

Mate comes after Qe1+, Ra1,  
Qb1#

42.Kb2 Qd1 43.b5+ Kb6??

Black could finish off with  
43...Kxb5 44.Rxb7+ Kc6

44.Qf2+ Ka5 45.Rxb7 Ka4  
46.Qb6 Ra5

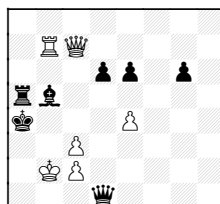


**DRAW AGREED** 1/2-1/2

47.Ra7 Rxa7 48.Qxa7+ Kxb5  
49.Qb7+ Kc5 50.Qc7+ Bc6  
51.Qa5+

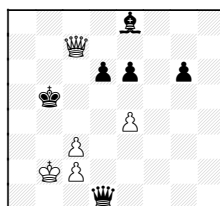
Or 47.Qc7 Rxb5+

47...Bxb5?



48.Qc4+! Bxc4 49.Rb4#

48.Rxb5 Kxb5



## SECTION 4.

ChessBase to the rescue!!

Yes, friends, there is plenty of exchange sacrifice material! But do you have the time? Have you ever heard the chess "mine-is-bigger-than-yours" conversation:

"My chess database has 2 million games!"

"Oh, yea? Mine has 2.6 million!"

"That's nothin'. I know a guy whose is over 3 million!!"

I'd like to see the jokers actually study a few of them! I mean, I reviewed "only" over 100 games for this article; can't imagine sorting through millions.

But the willing student shouldn't despair! We have a friend named ChessBase! Other database products probably do similarly, but I'd like to take a little space to explain some extremely helpful features— in context of finding some of these interesting board and material battles.

### The basic search screen.

1) Open CB and double-click on a database icon to get to the games-list screen.

2) For CB7.0, locate the search button at bottom left that looks like this:



Or CB8.0 is at top right and looks like a funnel.

3) Click it, and you'll get the screen pictured next page, Figure 1.

4) For our immediate discussion, we'll concentrate on having CB find material imbalances. So let's try our friend, the exchange sacrifice.

5) The material search button is at the right column labelled "Material...". Click it and get the screen below, Figure 2.

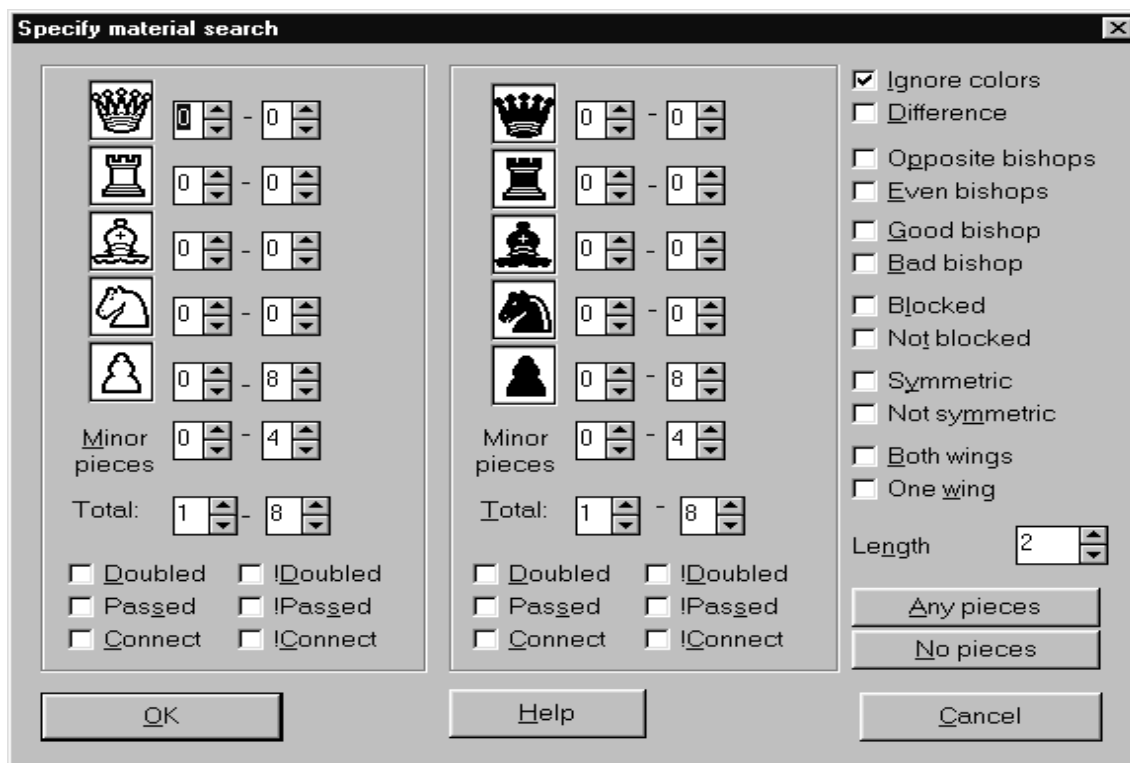
Figure 1.

The ChessBase Search menu



Figure 2.

Material Search Menu



## Specifying material.

**First, DON'T PANIC!** When I first saw this screen (Figure 2, previous page), I freaked out with all the options.

Understand, right up front, that you can ignore everything and get a database search as specified in the original Search Menu (Figure 1). What you are offered here is to get specific about what actual material **MUST** exist to be listed.

**Next**, always keep in mind that the two colors **DON'T** refer to the White side or Black side (unless you unselect the top-right box titled "Ignore Colors"). What you are really saying is "I want one side to look like this" and "I want the other side to look like this".

### Take Inventory.

For each side, then, you have two numbers to select for each of five pieces. The first number will specify the fewest of the piece you want, the other number specifies the most that you desire. After that, you can give the low/high total of Bs and Ns the are acceptable and the low/high overall total of pieces (Pawns don't count as pieces, remember!).

You can get more specific about Pawn formations using the doubled, passed, connect selections or set of "not" options (the exclamation point is short-hand for "not").

Finally, you have over-all board options as listed down the right column which apply to both sides (since they specify relations between the two armies).

The Length box at bottom-right allows you to say how many moves the specified conditions must exist for it to be a match. (This weeds out temporary imbalances as part of a trading combo).

## The Exchange Sac search.

Let's get a list of games where an exchange sac occurs. We recognize this as one side has an extra Rook and the other side has an extra minor piece. We'll also assume that the Pawn balance doesn't matter so we can get all exchange down positions.

Here's the solution:

For the White pieces (ie, one side)

1. For Queen leave minimum zero, set max to one.
2. For Rook set minimum to one and max to two. This will be the exchange-up side.
3. For Bishop set min 0, max 1.
4. For Knight set min 0, max 1.
5. For Pawn, leave range 0-8.
6. Total minors, set 0-3.
7. Leave rest as is.

(Note: the Bishop, Knight, total minors allow some kinds of odd combos not the exchange, but I like it because you also get 2-piece vs Rook scenarios as well).

For the Black pieces (ie, other side, the exchange-down side)

1. For Queen, range 0-1
2. For Rook, range 0-1
3. For Bishop, range 1-2.
4. For Knight, range 1-2.
5. For Pawn, leave range 0-8.
6. For total minors, set 1-4.
7. Leave rest as is.

Set the Length to 3 or 4, it seems to weed out more transitional stuff.

That's it! Hit OK on this screen and on the search screen! You'll receive a games list for exchange-sac positions. When you double-click a game, it will automatically jump to the move in the game where the imbalanced occurred (plus the length, as specified).

### Getting personal.

You'll unfortunately get games where Rook v Rook and odd

minors. This is the fact that we said "one Rook" was acceptable for both sides. I like this because it also allows positions where one side has two Rooks and the other one. If this bothers you, or you want to study pure exchange-down endings, make the Rook and minors specific. So for the White side: Rook range 1-1, Bishop 0-0, Knight 0-0. Black side: Rook range 0-0, Bishop 0-2, Knight 0-2. This will give pure endings and also R v 2 minors.

### Getting yet closer.

Maybe you want to only see the imbalance for games with a certain piece formation. The simplest way is to specify an ECO on the original search screen (Figure 1) for the opening. But some piece configurations occur from various openings, so there is another way.

Note on Figure 1, just above the "Material..." button is a "Position..." button. When you click it, you are given a board and pieces, as if you are setting up a position. You do click a piece, then click the square on the board you want it to be. But what you are specifying here is what piece **MUST EXIST** on the square you say.

So, let's say you're wanting exchange sacs from a Dragon position (Bishop at g7, Pawns at c5,d6,e7,f7,g6,h7). Put those pieces on the board (color does matter here!!). Also fill out the "Material..." for exchange sac as just described. Hit the OK, and OK the search!

Finally, the "Position..." board has buttons for 'Exclude' and 'Or' boards. This allows you to say what pieces cannot be on a square (you can put multiple pieces on a single square) and an optional piece on a given square.

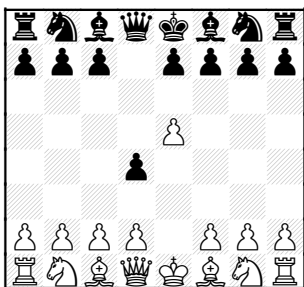
***Play with these things, amazing studies are waiting for you!!***

Sajbel,P (1819) -  
Balicki,J (1711) [B01]  
UOP-Knights, 17.01.2002

1.e4 d5 2.e5

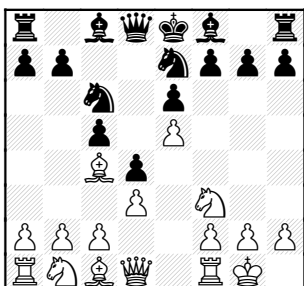
Transpositional, Black is given a wide choice of good continuations. e6 is an Advance French or maybe KIA, Bf5 posts it before e6 with no fear, or c5 opens the battle for ownership of d4.

2...d4

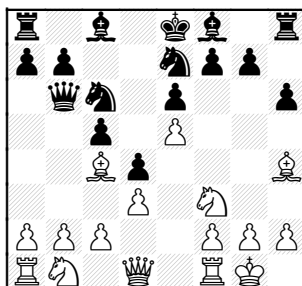


Probably trying to take away d4 and Nc3, but tempi are precious for Black.

3.Nf3 c5 4.Bc4 e6 5.0-0 Nc6  
6.d3 Nge7



7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 Qb6

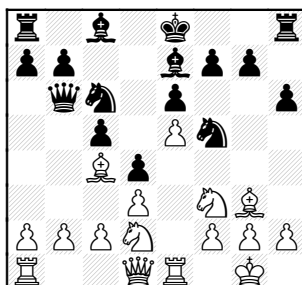


Is b2 really a problem?  
White's dark squares are really open with the b2-Pawn.

9.Nbd2

9.Qc1 holds b2 and helps Bishop on the dark squares. Maybe g4-5 could be in White's future.

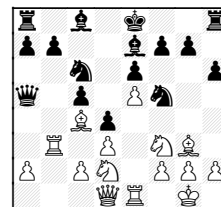
9...Nf5 10.Bg3 Be7 11.Re1



I would've rated the Knight as stronger than Bishop, but Black shows differently.

11...Na5

11...Qxb2 12.Rb1 Qa3  
13.Rb3 Qa5



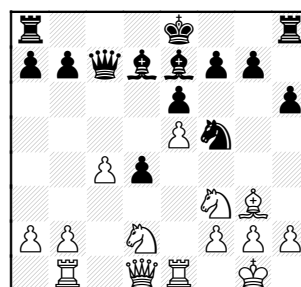
If given time, Black plays a6 and b5.

14.Rb5 Qc7 15.Ne4 b6

12.Rb1 Bd7 13.c3 Qc7

13...dxc3 14.bxc3 Qc7  
15.Bb5 with d4, Qe2, Rec1 in the works

14.cxd4 Nxc4 15.dxc4 cxd4

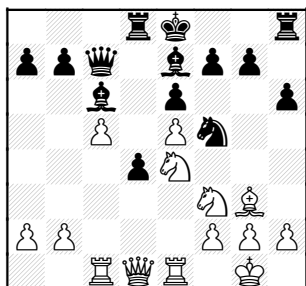


16.Rc1

16.b4 a5 17.a3 axb4 18.axb4  
Ra4 19.c5 Bb5

16...Rd8  
16...0-0-0!?

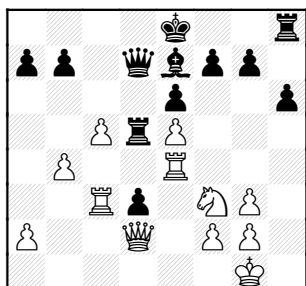
17.Ne4 Bc6 18.c5



18...Bxe4 19.Rxe4 Nxc3  
20.hxc3 d3

20...0-0 21.Qd2 with idea of  
g4-f5, Rh4, etc

21.b4 Rd5 22.Rc3 Qd7  
23.Qd2



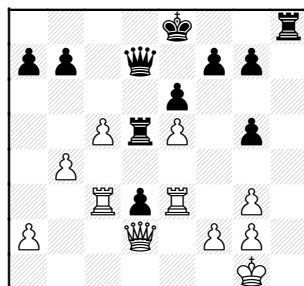
setting the Pawn

Other it runs to a good  
position: 23.Re3 d2 24.Re2  
(24.Rc2 Bg5 25.Nxc3 hxc3  
26.Re2 Qa4)

24...Bg5 25.Nxc3 hxc3 26.a3  
(26.Rc2 Qa4)

26...Ke7 27.Rc2 Rd8

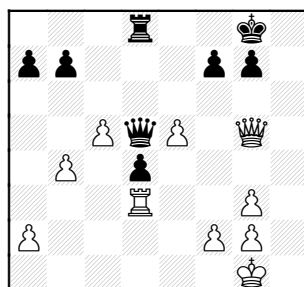
23...Bg5 24.Nxc3 hxc3  
25.Re3



25...0-0 26.Rexd3 Rd8  
27.Rxd5 exd5

27...Qxd5 28.Qxc5

28.Qxc5 d4 29.Rd3 Qd5



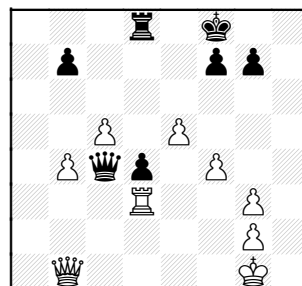
30.f4 Rd7 31.Qg4 Rd8 32.a3

32.Qe2 Qc4 33.Qd2

32...Kf8

32...Qa2 33.Qd1

33.Qf3 Qc4 34.Qd1 a5  
35.Qb1 axb4 36.axb4



36...Ra8 37.Qd1

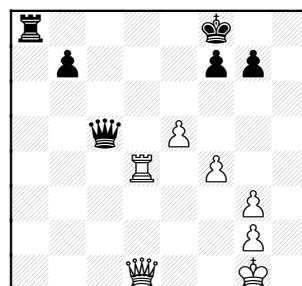
No good is 37.Kf2 Ra2+  
38.Kf3 Qd5+

But it would seem White only  
needs to secure his King to  
win. 37.Qb3! Ra1+  
(37...Qc1+ 38.Rd1)

38.Kf2 Ra2+ 39.Kf3 is the  
ticket after either:

- A) 39...Qa6 40.b5 (40.Rxd4??  
Qe2#);
- B) 39...Qb5? 40.Qxa2

37...Qxb4 38.Rxd4 Qxc5

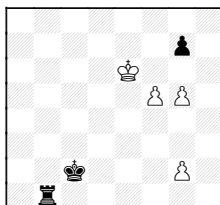


39.Kh2 Re8 40.Rd7 Qc6  
41.Rd6

41.Qd6+ Qxd6 42.Rxd6 b5  
43.Rb6

41...Qc5 42.Rd7 b5 43.Rb7  
Qc6 44.Qd6+

With Queens off, a draw results after White advances his Pawns, reaching the following position:

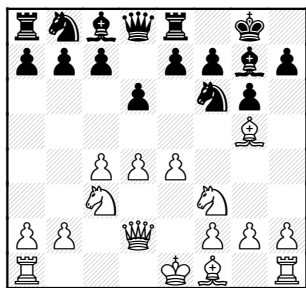


since Black must sac his Rook to stop queening

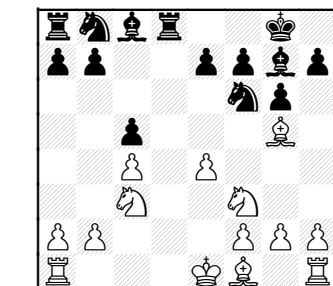
44...Qxd6 45.exd6 Rd8  
46.Rxb5 ½-½

Melnikov,I (2015) -  
Fridman,Y (2039) [E61]  
Kings-Knights, 20.01.2002

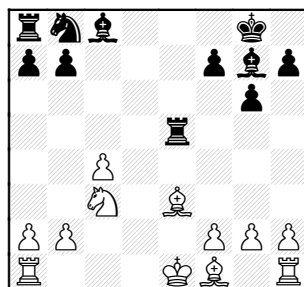
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7  
4.Nf3 0-0 5.Bg5 d6 6.Qd2  
Re8 7.e4



7...c5 8.dxc5 dxc5 9.Qxd8  
Rxd8



10.e5 Ng4 11.Bxe7 Re8  
12.Bxc5 Nxe5 13.Nxe5  
Rxe5+ 14.Be3



White has bypassed the  
middlegame, arriving in a  
Pawn-up ending.  
14...Nc6 15.0-0-0

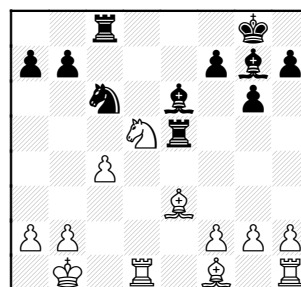
In similar KID Exchange lines,  
White likes King to help  
defend Queenside and take  
possession of the d-file. In  
those lines, however, the e-  
Pawns are on the board (Pe4  
and Pe5) which block the g7-  
Bishop's activity. Here, Black  
gets plenty of action.

Black's counterplay obviously  
depends on Queenside  
pressure with the minors, so  
maybe 15.Be2 and 0-0 is  
indicated. Afterwards, I like to

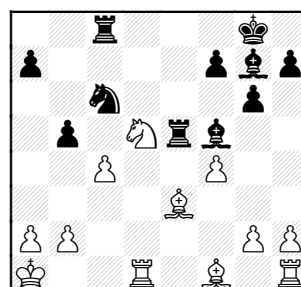
play Rc1 which protects Nc3  
and Pc4, maybe also getting  
b4 in to grab space.

15...Be6 16.Kb1  
Anticipates Rc8, but still isn't  
safe.

16...Rc8 17.Nd5



17...b5! undermining Nd5, of  
course 18.f4 Bf5+ 19.Ka1



19...Rxd5!! 20.Rxd5

After 20.cxd5 Nb4 threatens  
to win Be3 with Nc2+. Or  
even Nc2+ then Ne3+ which  
wins a full Rook!

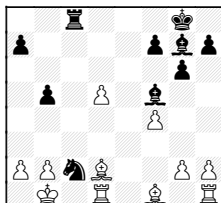
21.Bd2

(21.Bxa7? Ra8 White loses  
Bishop or is mated.)

21.Bc1 Nc2+ 22.Kb1 Ne3+  
23.Ka1 Nxd1)

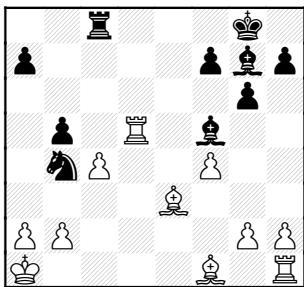
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21...Nc2+ 22.Kb1



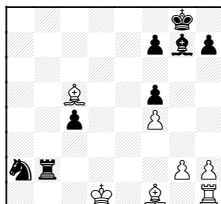
22...Ne3+ 23.Ka1 Nxd1

20...Nb4

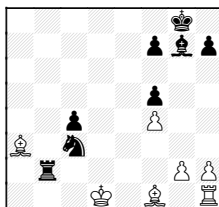


similar to the 20. cxd5 line examined above, so 21.Rxf5 gxf5 22.Bd2?

Still bad is 22.Bxa7? Ra8 23.Bc5 Rxa2+ 24.Kb1 Rxb2+ 25.Kc1 Na2+ 26.Kd1 bxc4



and White has backrank problems 27.Ba3 Nc3+!

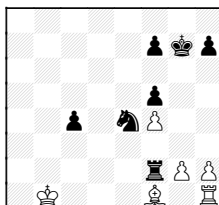


I outline Black's play, using the passer as well as backrank themes.

**A) 28.Kc1 Ra2**

**A1) 29.Bb4 Nd5 30.Be1 (30.Bd2 c3 31.Be1 Ra1+)**

**A2) 29.Bb2 29...Ne4 30.Bxg7 Kxg7 31.Kb1 Rf2!**



and wins with Rxf1 to fork with Nd2+ 32.Kc1 Nd2;

Another try from the analysis diagram, top this column:

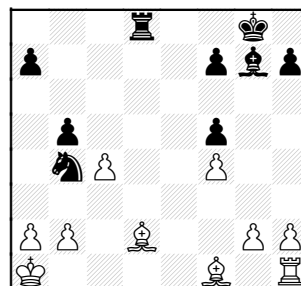
**B) 28.Ke1 Ra2**

(28.. Rb1+ followed by Ne4 may advance passer)

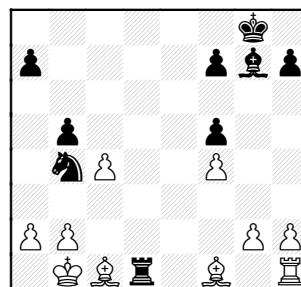
29.Bb4 (29.. Bc1 30 Ra1)

Nd5 30.Bd2 c3 31.Bc1 Ra1 32.Kd1 Ne3+ 33.Ke2 Rxc1 34.Kxe3 Rd1

22...Rd8



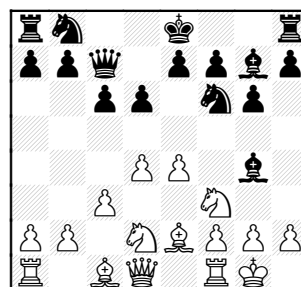
Backrank and hanging Bd2 23.Bc1 Rd1 24.Kb1



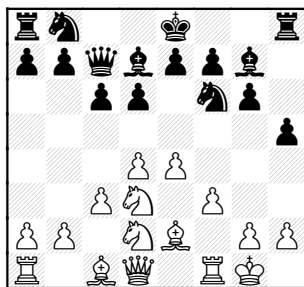
24...bxc4 25.b3 c3 c2 will be mate! **0-1**

Sensat,J - Santiago,T (2026) [B07] Citadel-Aces, 13.02.2002

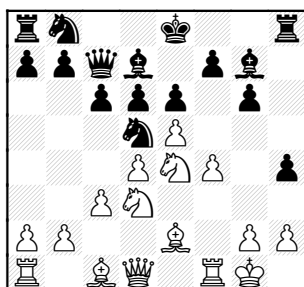
1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nd2 g6 4.Ngf3 Bg4 5.Be2 Bg7 6.c3 c6 7.0-0 Qc7



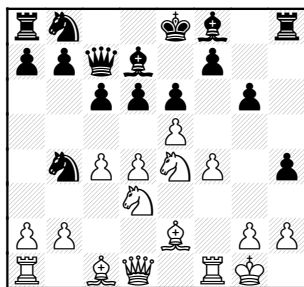
8.Ne1 h5 Interesting idea!  
9.f3 Bd7 10.Nd3



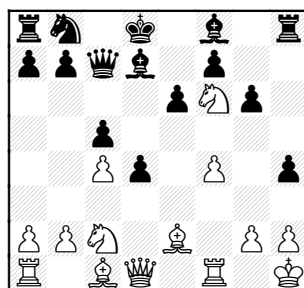
10...h4 Optimistic..  
development is always a good  
thing  
11.f4 e6 12.e5 Nd5  
Maybe 12...Ng8 with Nh6-f5  
coming  
13.Ne4



looking at d6 and f6  
13...Bf8 14.c4 Nb4!

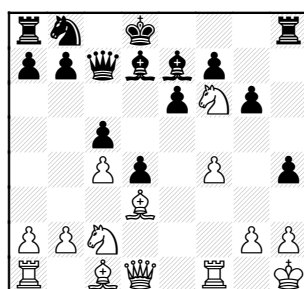


Black gets much-needed  
space and a couple center  
Pawns for his Knight.  
15.Nf6+ Kd8 16.Nxb4 dxe5  
hits loose Nb4 17.Nc2 exd4  
18.Kh1 c5



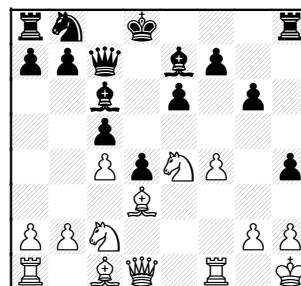
And one of those Pawns is a  
well-grounded, protected  
passer.. very interesting!!

19.Bd3 Be7

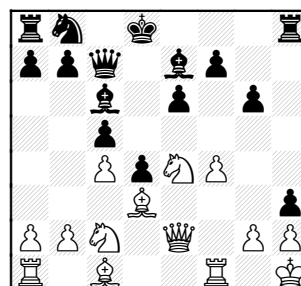


White has a tough decision: Is  
the d7-Bishop in the way or  
ready to be a threat at c6 ?

20.Ne4 Bc6



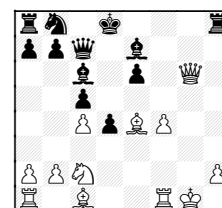
21.Qe2 h3!



loosening the long diagonal  
22.g3

A little better is 22.Kg1 hxg2  
A) but not 23.Qxg2 Rg8

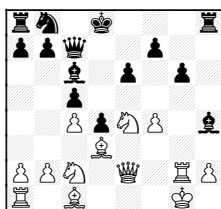
(23...f5 24.Qxg6 fxe4 25.Bxe4



Is still to Black's advantage)

B) 23.Rf2 g5!

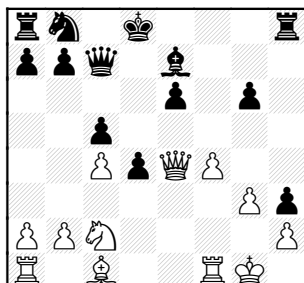
(23...Bh4 24.Rxg2



24...f5?! 25.Rxg6 fxe4  
26.Bxe4)

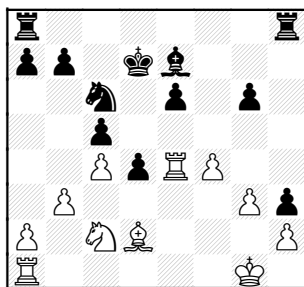
24.Nxg5? Bxg5 25.fxg5  
Qxh2#

22...f5 23.Kg1 fxe4 24.Bxe4  
Bxe4 25.Qxe4



25...Qc6!  
Secures the extra Pawn since  
Qxg6?? would allow Qg2#

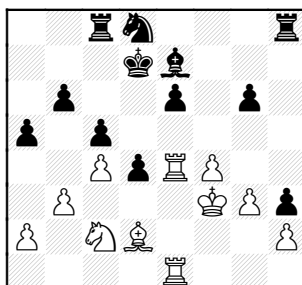
26.Re1 Kd7 27.b3 Qxe4  
28.Rxe4 Nc6 29.Bd2



29...a5! If White moves  
a1-Rook, Black can establish  
counterplay with a4 or Nb4.  
30.Rae1 Nd8 31.Kf2 b6

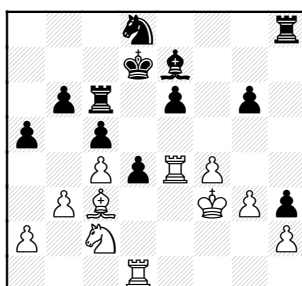
If 31...a4 32.Ra1

32.Kf3 Rc8



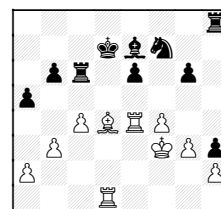
Simple consolidation, Black's  
only weakness is e6.

33.Rd1 Rc6 34.Bc3!?



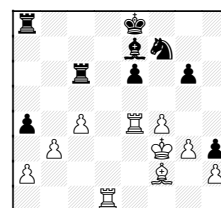
34...Bf6

Black need only be a little  
careful. White's idea is  
illustrated by:  
34...Nf7 35.Nxd4 cxd4  
36.Bxd4



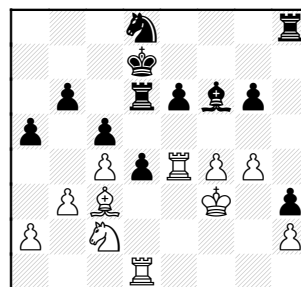
White threatens Rook and a  
discovery. Doubt it's worth a  
piece, but Black wants to  
make White work for his  
counterplay.

36...Ra8 37.Bxb6+ Ke8  
38.Bf2 a4



39.Rb1 axb3 40.axb3 Rb8  
idea of Nd6-xc4  
(40...Ra3 41.Kg4)

35.g4 Rd6



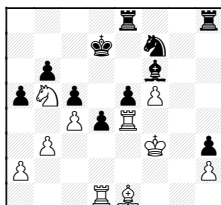
threatens Bishop as pin is  
broken

36.Be1 Nc6

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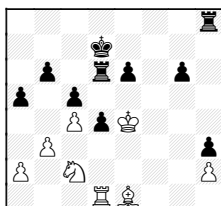
36...Nf7 and next, g5,  
guarantees play on e-file  
**A) 37.Na3 e5 38.Nb5**  
(38.f5? Ng5+)

38...Re6 39.f5 gxf5 40.gxf5  
Ree8



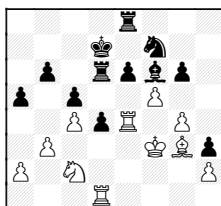
and Ng5 is a killer, at least  
breaking the blockade  
**41.Bd2 Bg2**

**B) 37.g5!? Bxg5 38.fxg5**  
Nxc5+ 39.Kf4 Nxe4 40.Kxe4



Black has plenty of Pawns,  
but can he contest the dark  
squares?  
40...Rc6 41.Bg3 Rf8

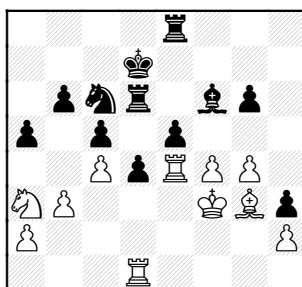
Also interesting after 36..Nf7:  
**C) 37.Bg3 Re8 38.f5?**



38...Ng5+ 39.Ke2  
(39.Kf4 e5+ 40.Rxe5 Rxe5)

39...Nxe4 40.Bxd6 Kxd6

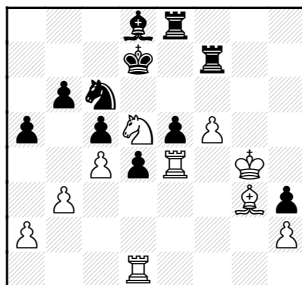
**37.Bg3 Re8 38.Na3 e5**



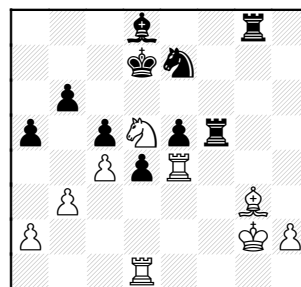
The d6-Rook needs air, but  
thematic as well: Black  
doubles on e-file and  
threatens to open it.  
**39.Nb5 Rde6 40.f5 gxf5**  
**41.gxf5 R6e7**

Black only needs to remove  
the blockade, Re4. My  
reaction was Nd8-f7-g5, but  
it's a bit slow.

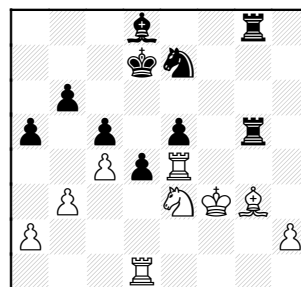
**42.Nc3 Rf7 43.Nd5 Bd8**  
**44.Kg4**



44...Rg8+ 45.Kxh3 Rxf5  
46.Kg2 Ne7



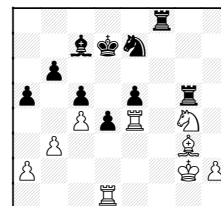
**47.Ne3 Rfg5 48.Kf3**



**48...Kc8**

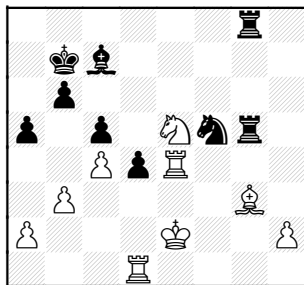
I was expecting the plan  
Bc7,Rf8+,Ng8-f6,e4 , but  
cannot get it to work:

48...Bc7 49.Ng4 has the  
benefit of covering f6 as well  
as hitting e5  
49...Rf8+ 50.Kg2



50...Ng6 (50...Rff5 51.Nh6)

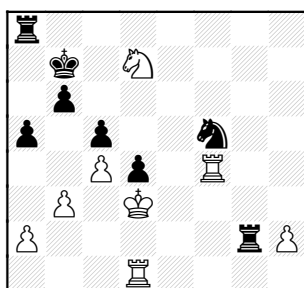
49.Ng4 Bc7 50.Nxe5 Kb7  
probably hiding from possible  
checks, but worsens  
endgame possibilities  
51.Ke2 Nf5



52.Bf4 Rg2+ 53.Kd3 Ra8  
At first, this looks like with  
threat of a4. But it's also a  
good waiting move, as seen  
in the game.

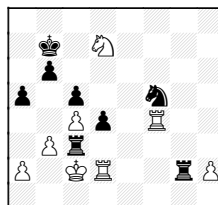
54.Nd7  
54.Bd2 Rxd2

54...Bxf4 55.Rxf4



55...Re8! mate threat 56.Re4

After 56.Rd2 Re3+ 57.Kc2  
Rc3+

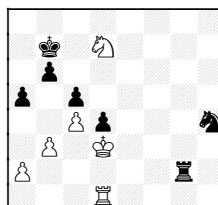


58.Kd1  
(58.Kb1 Rxd2)

58...Ne3+ 59.Ke1 Rc1+  
60.Rd1 Rxd1#

56...Rh8! mate threat 57.Rd2

57.h4 Rxh4 58.Rxh4 Nxh4



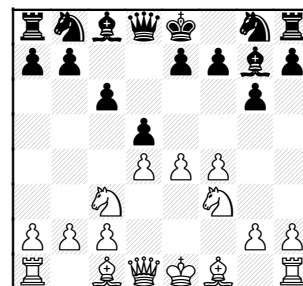
not much hope here, either

57...Rh3+ 0-1

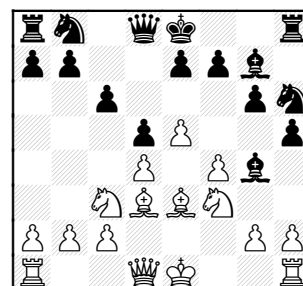
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Gazmen,B (2054) [B06]  
Wolverines-Aces, 21.02.2002

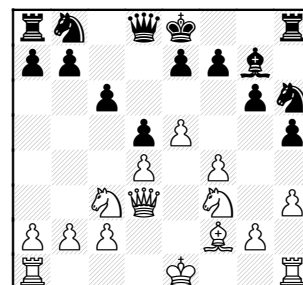
1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 d6  
4.f4 c6 5.Nf3 d5



6.e5 h5 7.Be3 Nh6 8.Bd3  
Bg4



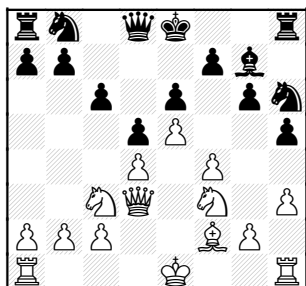
9.h3 Bf5 10.Bf2 Bxd3  
11.Qxd3



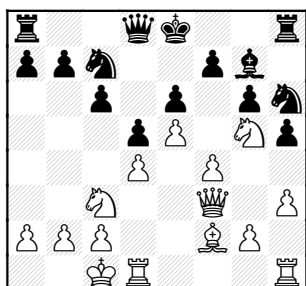
Black is careful and aware of  
White's theme to eventually  
play g4. Black castling would  
really be asking for it.

11...e6

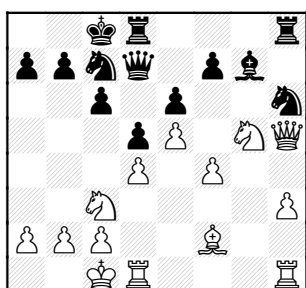
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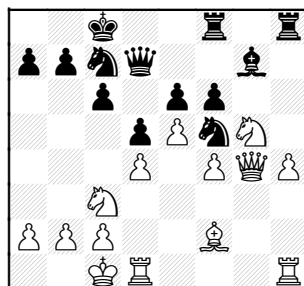
12.0-0-0 Na6 13.Ng5 Nc7  
14.Qf3



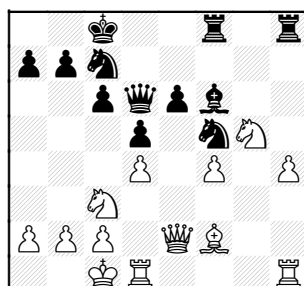
Now g4 is really ready.  
14...Qd7 15.g4 0-0-0!  
16.gxh5 gxh5 17.Qxh5



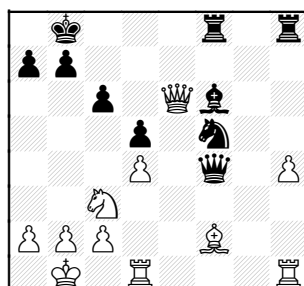
Black's excellent Pawn sac  
has given him plenty of open  
space and counterattack  
down the h-file.  
17...Rdf8 18.h4 Nf5 19.Qg4  
f6



Clearing lines for Queen,  
Bishop, and Rook, but will  
e6-Pawn be a problem?  
20.exf6 Bxf6 21.Qe2 Qd6



White has some Pawn issues  
which give Black the initiative.  
22.Kb1 Qxf4 23.Nxe6 Nxe6  
24.Qxe6+ Kb8

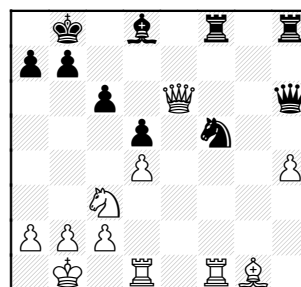


25.Rhf1 Bd8

The h-passer isn't scary,

yet...Black clears the f-file so  
the Rook can participate in  
the fun.

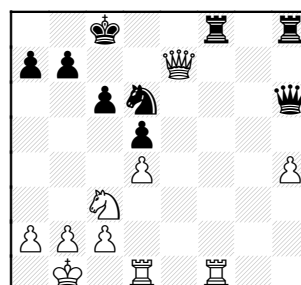
26.Bg1 Qh6!



Beautiful! The White Queen is  
hanging so the Knight is safe!

26...Qd6 27.Bh2 Qxh2  
28.Rxf5 looks equal

27.Bh2+ Bc7 28.Bxc7+ Kxc7  
29.Qe5+ Nd6 30.Qe7+ Kc8

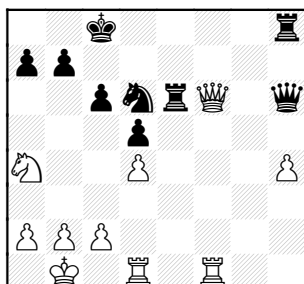


Once again, the Queen  
placement at h6 comes in  
handy! Got to believe Black  
had this all worked out when  
he played 25..Bd8

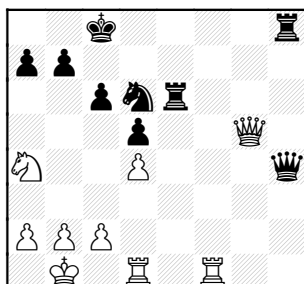
31.Na4 probably with idea of  
Nc5 and Qd7+, but Black has  
a move first:

31...Re8 "Hit the road, tramp"

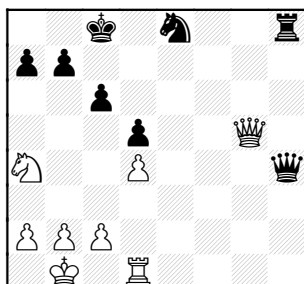
32.Qf6 [32.Qg5 Qxh4]  
32...Re6!



Another strong move! Black assures the Knight is overprotected while beginning to double Rooks... whether on e-file or h-, who knows?  
[32...Qxh4? 33.Qxd6]  
33.Qg5 Qxh4

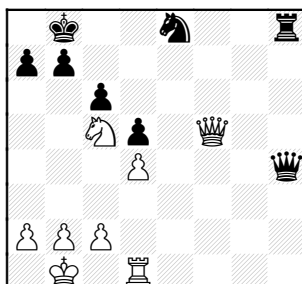


34.Rf8+! Re8 [34...Rxf8??]  
35.Qxh4] 35.Rxe8+ Nxe8

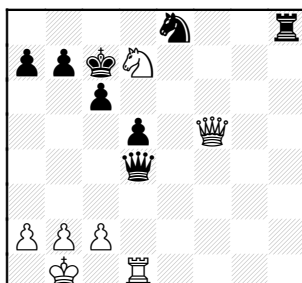


Forced, but best anyway. Keeps Knight safe and introduces backrank threats. Note how White's Knight missed the bus, stuck in transit. Given a tempo or two, White would like to get Nc5, Qf5+-d7-b7# in.

36.Qf5+ Kb8 37.Nc5



37...Qxd4!!  
The Queen is immune (Rh1+, of course) and hits two loose pieces  
38.Nd7+ Kc7

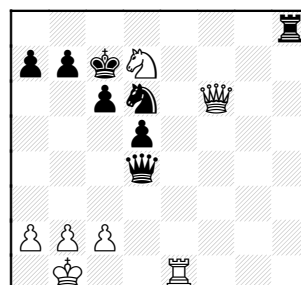


Most players would've hid King at a8, but this ties White's Queen down to the Knight's defence. Note Black's pieces are all protected!

39.Re1

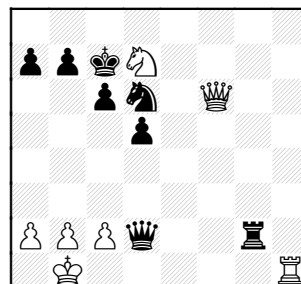
39.Qe5+ Is possible, but condemns White to a completely defensive position that's probably lost anyways..

39...Nd6 40.Qf6



40...Qd2!!

Again, backrank problems!  
41.Rg1 Rg8! Key move!  
Black takes care to cover g7 and g6 (see final position)  
42.Rh1 Rg2

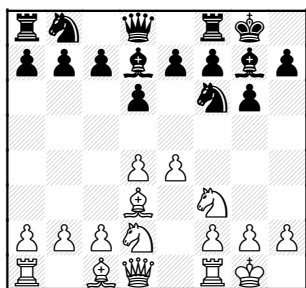


White is forced to play Rc1, whereupon Kxd7 wins easily and Black can't even check King!! Ah, Burt, we hardly knew ye! Why didn't you play like that with the Exemplars??

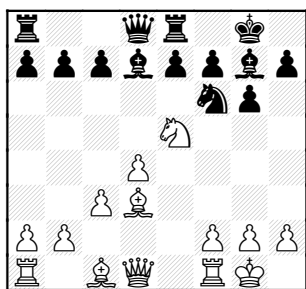
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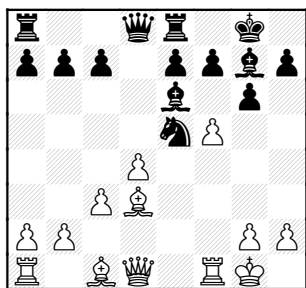
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7.c3 Re8 8.e5 dxe5 9.Nxe5  
 Nc6 10.Ndf3 Nxe5 11.Nxe5



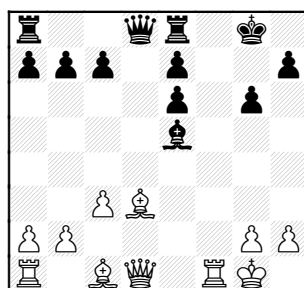
11...Be6 12.f4 Nd7 13.f5  
 Nxe5



14.fxe6!

Things have been fairly close-to-the-vest so far, but this move immediately wins a piece! Black can't save both the Knight and protect f7 from the exf7+ Pawn fork.

14...fxe6 15.dxe5 Bxe5



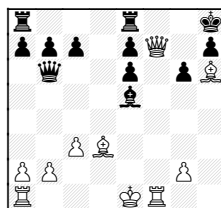
White has attacking prospects as well as material threats up the e-file.

16.Bh6 Qd6 17.Qf3 Kh8

Grabbing the freebie is possible: 17...Bxh2+

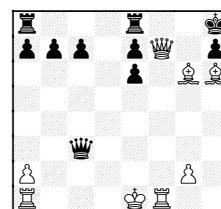
A) 18.Kf2

First the wrong way A1)  
 18...Ob6+? 19.Ke1 Be5  
 (19...Qxb2?? 20.Qf7+ Kh8  
 21.Bg7#)  
 20.Qf7+ Kh8



21.Bxg6! hxg6 22.Rh1 and mate next move.

More interesting is A2)  
 18...Qc5+ preparing a Bishop sac on c3 19.Ke1 Be5  
 20.Of7+ Kh8 21.Bxg6 Bxc3+  
 22.bxc3 Qxc3+

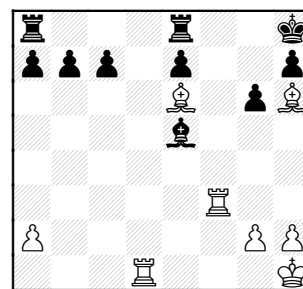


Black keeps Queen on long diagonal and checks King. The goal is to force the King to h1 so hxBg6 doesn't allow Rh1 mating.

White's best is 23.Ke2 (Kd1? Qxa1+) allowing the Bishops to retreat and maintain pressure to h7 23...Qb2+

Returning to game, if White hides King after 17...Bxh2+ B) 18.Kh1 Be5 Here, Rh1 isn't possible, so the Bxg6 sac doesn't have immediate benefit, especially since after Kh8 Black has Rg8.

18.Rad1 Qb6+ 19.Kh1 Qxb2  
 20.Bc4 Qxc3 21.Bxe6 Qxf3  
 22.Rxf3

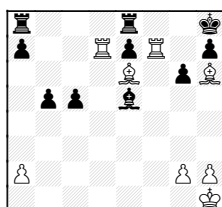


Black has 3 solid Pawns for his piece, but a problem or two remain, specifically his desperate King.

**22...Rad8**

22...c5 23.Rd7 (23.Rc1 b6)

23...b5 24.Rf7



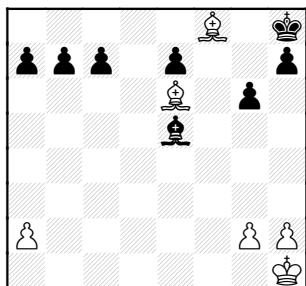
24...Bf6

(24...Bd6?? 25.Bg7+ Kg8

26.Rfxe7#)

**23.Rxd8 Rxd8 24.Rf8+ Rxf8**

**25.Bxf8**

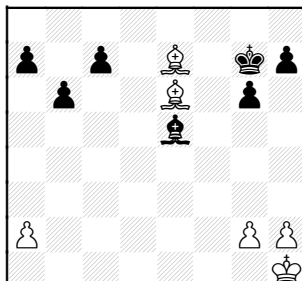


An interesting example of how a middlegame advantage lasts right through the endgame!

**25...b6**

To advance his extra Pawns, Black must safely cross light squares, but his Bishop cannot help in this task!

**26.Bxe7 Kg7**

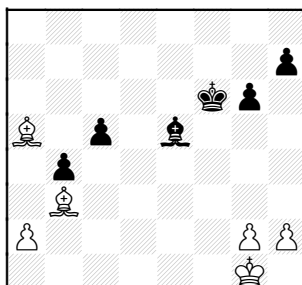


**27.Bh4**

27.g3 and advance King to c6 or d5. The goal is to force Bd6 and attack the base of Black's Pawns.

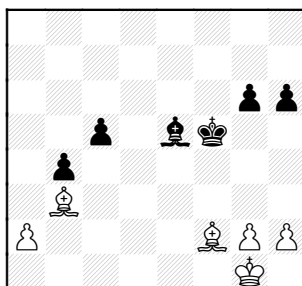
27...c5 28.Kg1 a5? 29.Bd8

b5 30.Bxa5 b4 31.Bb3 Kf6



**32.Bd8+ Kf5 33.Bh4 h6**

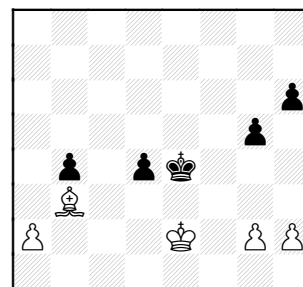
**34.Bf2**



**34...Bd4** Black will eventually run out of Pawn moves.

**35.Bxd4 cxd4 36.Kf2 Ke4**

**37.Ke2 g5**



**38.Bc2+ Kd5 39.Kd3 h5**

**40.Bb3+**

The White King goes the opposite direction his counterpart does. 1-0

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