



NEWS

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2019 Las Vegas Chess Festival is Underway!

For those of you who are just joining us, welcome! The Las Vegas Chess Festival has actually been going on for several days. Bulletin #1 covered the U.S. Women's Open that was won by WIM Megan Lee. The International Norm event started on Wednesday evening and on Thursday, there were several side events in store for players waiting for the main event to start including simuls, action quads, and a GM led Chess Camp. The Las Vegas Grandmaster Chess Camp featured GMs Fidel Corrales, Malik Khachiyani, Ron Henley, IM John Donaldson and WGM Carla Heredia giving lessons to 41 interested "campers." Each group was grouped by ability level and class sizes were small ensuring maximum learning for participants.



GM Corrales teaching chess camp

After teaching the morning session of the chess camp, GM Corrales gave a simultaneous exhibition to 29 players. He scored 23 wins, 1 draw and 5 losses. This simul was very challenging for Corrales as there were three players rated over 2000! Those three players scored two wins and a draw. Many GMs refuse to accept experts in simul entries, but Corrales did not have a rating limit and graciously agreed to

play anyone who signed up. The winners in the simul were Austin Mei, Daniel Bryant, Robert Lubin, Roshan Sethuraman, and Pearson Hong. Addison Lee scored a draw. We particularly thank GM Corrales for giving the simul as he was a last minute replacement for GM Ben Finegold, who had to cancel due to a family emergency.

In the following game, Corrales was winning or better for a significant part of the game, but he blunders in the rook ending.

Corrales, Fidel (2641) – Mei, Austin (2049)
[E61]
Corrales Simul

1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 g6 3.d4 Bg7
4.h4 h5 5.Bg5 d6 6.Qc2
Nc6 7.Nf3 Bg4 8.0-0-0 a5
9.e3 Bf5 10.e4 Nb4 11.Qe2
Bg4 12.a3 Na6 13.e5 Nh7
14.Bf4 0-0 15.Qe3 c5
16.Be2 cxd4 17.Nxd4 dxe5

18.Bxe5 Bxe2 19.Ndxe2
Qc8 20.Bxg7 Kxg7 21.Rd4
Nc5 22.Nd5 Ra6 23.Nxe7
Qe6 24.Rd5 Qxe3+ 25.fxe3
Re8 26.Nf5+ gxf5 27.Rxc5
Rxe3 28.Nd4 Re4 29.Nxf5+
Kg6 30.Ng3 Rg4 31.Ne2
Nf6 32.g3 Ne4 33.Rb5 Nxc3
34.Nxc3 Rxc3 35.Rxb7 Rc6
36.Rf1 Rxc4+ 37.Kb1 Rxh4
38.Rxf7 Rhg4 39.Rfc7 Rg5
40.Ra7 Rf3 41.Rc8 h4
42.Rg8+ Kh5 43.Rh8+ Kg4
44.Rah7 Rh3 45.Ka2 Rh2
46.Kb3 h3 47.Ka4 Rh1
48.b3 Kg3

Corrales was winning earlier, but let the game slip to a drawn R + P ending. He then blunders allowing his opponent to queen the dangerous passed pawn.



WGM Carla Heredia teaches a small group



Austin Mei

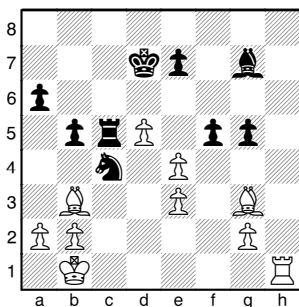
49.Rh5??



23.Rd2 Rc5 24.hxg5 hxg5 23.Qd2 Qxb2 24.Bc2 Rac8
 25.Bd1 Nb6 26.Bb3 Nc8 25.Re2 Qxa3 26.h5 Rf6
 27.Rd1 b5 28.Rh1 Nd6 27.hxg6 hxg6 28.Qg5 Kg7
 29.f3 Nc4 29.Qg4 Rc7 30.Kh2 Qd6
 31.g3 Rcf7 32.Kg2 Qd7
 33.Qh4 Rf8 34.g4 Rf4 35.f3
 e4 36.Rd2 exf3+ 37.Kg3
 Bf6 38.Qh3 Be5 39.Rh1
 Rxg4+ 40.Kf2 Rg2+ 41.Ke1
 Qxh3 42.Rxh3 Bc3 0-1

Corrales is worse, but he can continue play with either Bxc4 or Be1. The move he plays winds up costing several pawns and gives black the win.

30.fxe4?



30...Nd2+ 31.Ka1 Nxe4
 32.Bb8 Nd2 33.Rd1 Nxb3+
 34.axb3 Rc2 35.Ka2 Rxb2+
 36.Ka3 Bc3 37.b4 Rxb4
 38.d6 Re4 39.Kb3 Rxe3
 40.Kc2 b4 41.Rd5 Re2+
 42.Kb3 Rxc2 43.dxe7+
 Kxe7 44.Rxf5 Ke6 45.Ra5
 g4 46.Rxa6+ Kd5 47.Rg6
 Ke4 48.Kc4 Kf3 49.Rg8
 Re2 50.Rf8+ Kg2 51.Rg8
 Re4+ 52.Kd3 Rd4+ 53.Ke3
 b3 54.Be5 Rc4 55.Kd3 b2
 56.Rb8 Bxe5 0-1

Corrales,Fidel (2641) –
 Lubin,Robert (1834)
 [C02]

Corrales Simul

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5
 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Bd7 6.Be2
 f6 7.0-0 cxd4 8.cxd4 fxe5
 9.Nxe5 Nxe5 10.dxe5 Bc5
 11.Bd3 g6 12.Nc3 Qc7
 13.Bf4 Ne7 14.Rc1 Qb6
 15.Na4 Bxa4 16.Qxa4+ Nc6
 17.a3 0-0 18.Bg3 Bd4
 19.Qc2 Nxe5 20.Bxe5 Bxe5
 21.Rce1 Bd4 22.h4 e5



Robert Lubin



Pearson Hong

9.Qb3 Bd6 10.Nh4 Bg6
 11.Bh3 Nf8 12.Nf5 Bxf5
 13.Bxf5 Ne6 14.Nf3 e4
 15.Nh4 Ng5 16.Bg4 h5
 17.Be2 0-0-0 18.Nf5 Qc7
 19.h4 Ne6 20.c4 dxc4
 21.Bxc4 Qa5+ 22.Kf1 Qxf5
 23.Rg1 Rhg8 24.Rc1 Bxg3
 25.Rc2 Bxh4 26.Rxg8 Rxg8
 27.d5 Qh3+ 28.Ke2 Qf3+
 29.Kd2 Qxf2+ 30.Be2 Qe1#
 0-1

Corrales,Fidel (2641) –
 Lee,Addison (2087)
 [B23]

Corrales Simul, 13.06.2019

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 g6 3.f4 Bg7
 4.Nf3 d6 5.Bc4 Nc6 6.0-0
 e6 7.d3 Nge7 8.Qe1 0-0
 9.Qh4 d5 10.Bb3 b5 11.f5
 gxf5 12.exd5 Nxd5 13.Nxd5
 exd5 14.Qxd8 Rxd8 15.c3
 Be6 16.Nh4 d4 17.Bg5 Rd7
 18.Nxf5 Bxb3 19.axb3 dxc3
 20.Nxg7 Kxg7 21.bxc3 a5
 22.Rf5 Rxd3 23.Raf1 Nd8
 24.Rxc5 a4 25.Rxb5 a3
 26.Ra1 a2 27.Bxd8 Rxd8
 28.Rf5 Ra3 29.c4 Rd3
 30.Rf2 Raxb3 31.Raxa2
 Rd1+ 32.Rf1 Rxf1+ 33.Kxf1
 Rc3 34.Ra4 Rc2 35.h3 Kf6

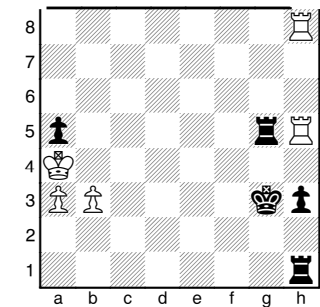


Addison Lee

Corrales,Fidel (2641) –
 Hong,Pearson (1331)
 [D00]

Corrales Simul

1.d4 d5 2.Bg5 Nf6 3.Bxf6
 gxf6 4.g3 e5 5.e3 Bf5 6.c3
 c6 7.Nd2 Nd7 8.Ngf3 Qb6



49...Rhx5 50.Rhx5 h2
 51.Kxa5 Ra1 52.a4 h1Q
 53.Rxh1 Rxh1 54.b4 Kf4
 55.b5 Ke5 56.Ka6 Kd6
 57.a5 Rh7 58.Kb6 Kd7
 59.Kb7 Rh5 60.b6 Rxa5
 61.Kb8 Kc6 62.b7 Rb5
 63.Ka8 Kc7 0-1



Daniel Bryant

Corrales,Fidel (2641) –
 Bryant,Daniel (2042)
 [D80]

Corrales Simul

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5
 4.Bg5 Ne4 5.Nxe4 dxe4
 6.e3 c5 7.dxc5 Qa5+ 8.Qd2
 Qxd2+ 9.Kxd2 Nd7 10.Ne2
 Nxc5 11.Nc3 Be6 12.Kc2 0-
 0-0 13.Be2 h6 14.Bh4 g5
 15.Bg3 a6 16.Rhd1 Bg7
 17.Nd5 Bxd5 18.cxd5 f5
 19.Rac1 Kd7 20.Kb1 Rc8
 21.h4 Na4 22.Rxc8 Rxc8



36.Kg1 Ke5 37.Kh2 Rc3
 38.Ra5+ Kd6 39.Rd5+ Ke6
 40.Rd4 Kf5 41.h4 Ke5
 42.Rd5+ Ke6 43.Rc5 Kd6
 44.Rh5 Rxc4 45.Rxh7 Ke6
 46.Kh3 Kf6 47.Rh6+ Kg7
 48.Rb6 Ra4 49.h5 Rc4
 50.g4 Ra4 51.Kh4 Ra5
 52.h6+ Kg8 53.g5 Ra4+
 54.Kh5 Rc4 55.Rb8+ Kh7
 56.Rf8 Rf4 57.Re8 Ra4
 58.Re7 Kg8 59.Rb7 Re4
 60.h7+ Kxh7 61.Rxf7+ Kg8
 62.Kg6 Re8 63.Rf6 Ra8
 1/2-1/2



GM Fidel Corrales Simultaneous Exhibition



Roshan Sethuraman

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ANALYSIS OF YOUR GAMES

Conference Room 11

GM Melik Khachiyan and GM Ron Henley will analyze National Open games 2 hours after the start of each round. National Open players age 14 and under are eligible for the Freddie Best Game Award. Those who wish to have a game considered must bring it to one of the first six analysis sessions. Last round games will not be considered



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The final side event on Thursday was action quads. There were a total of seven quads. The winners of those quads are Quad A: Leo Creger, 2 1/2—1/2, Quad B: Omya Vidyarthi, 3-0, Quad C: Rohan Rajaram, 2-1, Quad D: Oliver Feng & Marina Xiao, 2-1; Quad E Nicholas St. John, 3-0; Quad F: Inika Vellore, 2 1/2—1/2 and Quad G Erroll Restelli 3-0.



18.Re2 Bd7 19.Qc2 Re8
20.Rae1 Qa5 21.Rxe8+
Rxe8 22.Rxe8+ Bxe8
23.Ne4 Qc7!?

23...Bxa4 24.b3 Bd7
25.Nxd6 Qe1+ 26.Kh2 Bd4
27.Ne4 b6 1-30.

24.b4?!

24.Bf1!?

24...c4! 25.Bf1 c3 26.Bd3
Bd7 27.Kg2 Qb6

27...Bd4!?!?

28.Nxc3!? Qxb4 29.Nb5

29.Ne4!? Bxa4! 30.Qc7 Qd4
31.Ng5 Qxd3! (31...Qxd5+
32.Be4) 32.Qxf7+ Kh8
33.Qe6 (33.Qxb7 Qb5!?)
33...Qxd5+!! 34.Qxd5 Bc6
35.Qxc6 bxc6 36.Nf7+ Kg8
37.Nxd6 a5-+

29...a6! 30.Qc7 axb5
31.Qd8+ Bf8 32.Qxd7 bxa4



NM Leo Creger

All of the side events though are just leading up to the main tournaments. The Open section started on Wednesday evening with 107 players. There are 37 GMs, 17 IMs, 13 FMs, 1 WGM, 1 WIM, and 1 WFM in the field. There are a total of 28 players from 18 foreign FIDE countries. There are players from 19 different states in the open section and that total will only grow as the other sections are added on Thursday night. A frequent competitor in the National Open is International Master, Dr. Antho-

ny Saiddy. Dr. Saiddy was a world-class player in the 1960s having competed in eight U.S. Championships and winning the Canadian Championship in 1960. Now retired, Dr. Saiddy is still playing at age 82 and he can still show why he is a dangerous player. In the following game, he shows fine technique in winning a bishops of opposite color ending. GM Ron Henley annotates the game.

Lu ,Miaoyi (1704) – Saiddy ,Dr. Anthony [A00]

National Open
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 e6
4.Nc3 exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.g3

g6 7.Bg2 Bg7 8.Nf3 0-0 9.0-0 Nbd7 10.Bf4 Qe7 11.Qd2 Ng4 12.a4 Nde5 13.h3 Nxf3+

Theoretically, White is still equal after this recapture, but why voluntarily take on weaker pawns and devalue an important central e-pawn. Longer term, this deprives White of the standard strategic plan of e2-e4, f2-f4 and and eventual e4-e5 pawn break.

14.exf3!?
14.Bxf3 Ne5 15.Bg2=

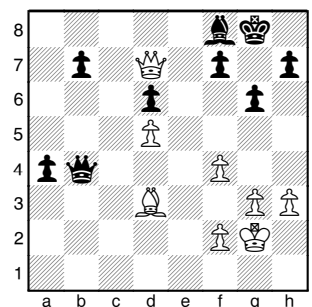
14...Ne5 15.Bxe5?!

In the short term the theoretical evaluation remains very close to equal, but as in the notes to 14.exf3, why should White voluntarily hand Black the Bishop Pair?

15...Bxe5

Black has gained the Bishop Pair, which combined with his 3 v 2 queenside pawn majority offers him long term prospects of gaining some advantage.

16.Rfe1 Qd8 17.f4 Bg7



Dr. Saiddy has reached a winning Q+B v Q+B BOOC Ending.

33.Qb5 Qxb5

Black should seriously consider retaining the Queens on the board – 33...Qd4! with a plan of 34.-- Kg7 35.



IM Dr. Anthony Saidy

-- Be7 36.-- a3 37.Bb1
Bd8 38.Ba2 Bb6 39.Qe2 Bc5
-+ and eventually the threats
gainst f2 combined with the
passed a-pawn will allow
Black to over power the
white defenders. -3.50.

34.Bxb5

BOOC Ending.

34...a3 -1.00.

35.Bc4 b5

35...Bg7!??

**36.Ba2 Bg7 37.Kf3 Bd4
38.Ke2 f5?!**

38...Kg7!?

**39.f3 Kf7 40.Kd3 Bb2
41.Kc2 h5?!**

Further exposing the black
kingside pawns.

42.Kb3! =

White defends well by bring-
ing her King to blockade the
black queenside passed
pawns. An excellent exam-
ple of endgame "Role
Change". The white King
takes over stopping the
black queenside pawns and
the white Bishop is now free
to operate on the kingside
and work to liquidate the
kingside pawns.

42...Bc1 43.Kb4

FRITZ claim White could
now hold the ending with -
43.Bb1!? h4 44.g4 Kf6
45.gxf5 gxf5 46.Kb4 Bxf4
(46...Kf7 47.Ba2 Bxf4
48.Kxa3=) 47.Kxa3=

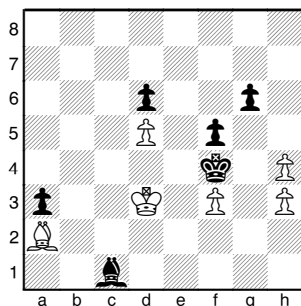
43...Kf6 44.Kxb5 h4!?

Black's only chance is to
break through on the king-
side.

**45.gxh4 Bxf4 46.Kb4 Bc1
47.Kc3 Ke5 48.Kd3**

48.Bb1!?

48...Kf4-+



The penetration by the
black King proves decisive.

**49.Ke2 Kg3 50.Bb3 Kxh4
51.Kf2 Kxh3 52.Bc4 Kh2!**

The black King is now ideally
placed to escort the future
black passed g-pawn up the
board.

**53.Ke2 g5 54.Kd1 Be3
55.Kc2 g4 56.fxg4 fxg4**

Karpov told me "The rule in
BOOC Endings is you need
passed pawns five files apart
in order to force the win".
Here Dr. Saidy has man-
aged to create two passed
pawns 7 (!) files apart.

57.Kb3 g3 58.Bf1 Bc5

And it was "lights out" both
figuratively and in reality as
at this precise moment the
lights in the playing hall went
out. After a few seconds a
TD ask me to borrow my cell
phone and then "Bam" the

lights clicked back on and
White resigned!0-1

The National Open is such a
strong tournament that even in
the first round top GMs are
upset or have to work incredi-
bly hard to bring home the full
point. The game of round one
was FM Eugene Yanayt up-
setting GM Andrei Barysh-
polets. GM Henley will be an-
notating that game for the next
edition of the bulletin. In the
meantime, we present the
longest game from round one.
GM Vladimir Belous defeated
FM Michael Feinstein in 121
moves. Belous won a rook and
bishop versus rook ending.

**Feinstein, Michael
(2142) – Bel-
ous, Vladimir (2514)
[E73]**

**1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7
4.e4 0-0 5.Be2 d6 6.Bg5 c6
7.Qd2 a6 8.Nf3 b5 9.a3
bxc4 10.Bxc4 Bg4 11.Be2
d5 12.exd5 cxd5 13.Ne5
Bxe2 14.Qxe2 Nfd7 15.Nf3
Nc6 16.0-0 Nb6 17.Rfd1**

**Qc7 18.Rac1 e6 19.b3 Rfc8
20.Qe3 Qd6 21.Nb1 Nd7
22.b4 Qb8 23.Bf4 Qb7
24.Nbd2 a5 25.Rb1 axb4
26.axb4 Qb6 27.Nb3 Nxb4
28.Nc5 Nxc5 29.dxc5 Qa5
30.Bd6 Nc6 31.Ng5 Qa7
32.Rb6 Na5 33.Qh3 h6
34.Nxe6 fxe6 35.Qxe6+ Qf7
36.Qxf7+ Kxf7 37.Rxd5 Nc4
38.Rb7+ Ke6 39.Rd1 Be5
40.Re1 Nxd6 41.cxd6 Kxd6
42.Rb6+ Rc6 43.Rxc6+
Kxc6 44.g3 Kd5 45.Re2 Rf8
46.Kg2 Bd4 47.h4 g5
48.hxg5 hxg5 49.f3 Rf7
50.Re4 Bf6 51.Kh3 Be5
52.Kg4 Ra7 53.Rb4 Ra5
54.f4 gxf4 55.gxf4 Bd6
56.Rb1 Ra4 57.Rf1 Bb4
58.Rd1+ Ke4 59.Rd8 Ra7
60.Re8+ Be7 61.Rc8 Ra1
62.Rc4+ Kd5 63.Rc2 Ke6
64.Rg2 Kf6 65.Rb2 Bd6
66.Rd2 Bb4 67.Rb2 Ra4
68.Rf2 Bc5 69.Rc2 Be3
70.Rc6+ Ke7 71.Rc7+ Ke6
72.Rc6+ Kd5 73.Rf6 Ke4
74.Re6+ Kd3 75.Rf6 Ke2
76.Rf7 Kf2 77.Rf8 Ra1
78.Rh8 Kg2 79.Re8 Rg1
80.Rh8 Rf1 81.Rf8 Rf3
82.Rf7 Rg3+ 83.Kf5 Kf3
84.Ke5 Rg6 85.f5 Bf4+
86.Kd5 Rd6+ 87.Kc5 Ra6
88.Kd5 Ra5+ 89.Ke6 Ke4
90.Rf8 Ra6+ 91.Kd7 Kd5
92.Rf7 Bg5 93.Ke8 Bf6
94.Rb7 Ke4 95.Rb5 Be5
96.Rb1 Kxf5 97.Kd7 Rh6
98.Rf1+ Ke4 99.Re1+ Kd5
100.Rd1+ Bd4 101.Re1 Rh2**



102.Rd1 Rh7+ 103.Kd8 Ke5
 104.Kc8 Bc5 105.Rd7 Rh1
 106.Kb7 Bd6 107.Rg7 Kd5
 108.Rg5+ Be5 109.Kb6
 Rb1+ 110.Ka5 Kd4 111.Ka6
 Rb8 112.Rh5 Bd6 113.Rb5
 Rc8 114.Kb7 Rc7+ 115.Kb6
 Rf7 116.Kc6 Kc4 117.Rh5
 Bf4 118.Rh4 Rf6+ 119.Kd7
 Kd5 120.Rh1 Rf7+ 121.Kc8
 Bd6

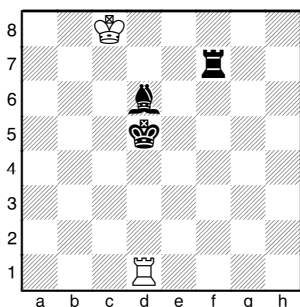
The GM playing black has been pressing white, but he has defended well. Here, white finally cracks by playing an intuitive move that loses.



GM Valadimr Belous
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Wang, Annie (2334) – Shabalov, Alexander (2528) [D31]

122.Rd1+



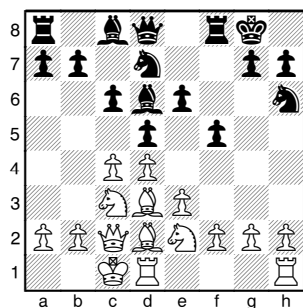
1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 c6
 4.e3 Nd7 5.Qc2 Nh6 6.Bd3
 f5 7.Nge2 Bd6 8.Bd2 0-0

Shabalov is known for mixing things up and it normally works well for him. Here he is a little too energetic. The text move give white a clear edge. More traditional moves would have been cxd4 or Ng4.

122...Kc6 123.Rc1+ Bc5
 124.Rd1 Ra7 125.Rb1 Ba3
 126.Rb3 Ra4 127.Rc3+ Bc5
 128.Rb3 Bb4 0-1

In round two, two famous GMs mixed up the round times. They both thought the round started at 1:30 PM when in actuality it started at 1 PM. The default time in this event is 30 minutes. The opponents could have claimed the win, but they both wanted to play. The GMs agreed to play even though they were spotting their opponents half an hour on the clock. Both **GMs lost to their lower rated oppo-**

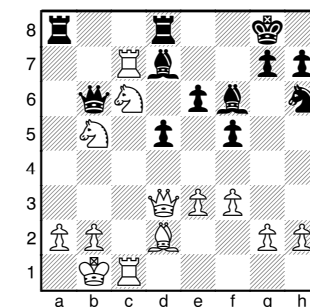
9.0-0-0



9...b5 10.cxb5 c5

11. Nf4 would have maintained white's edge.

11.dxc5 Nxc5 12.f3 a6
 13.Nd4 Nxd3+ 14.Qxd3 ax-
 b5 15.Kb1 Bd7 16.Ncxb5
 Be7 17.Rc1 Qb6 18.Rc7
 Rfd8 19.Rhc1 Bf6 20.Nc6 [



White now has a clear advantage again.
 20...Be8 21.Qb3 Rd7
 22.Ncd4 Rdd8 23.Nc6 Rd7
 24.Rxd7 Bxd7 25.Nbd4

Qxb3 26.Nxb3 Nf7 27.Bb4
 g5 28.Ne7+ Kg7 29.Rc7
 Rd8 30.Ra7 Bb5 31.Nc5
 Rd6 32.Rc7 Ba6 33.a4 d4
 34.exd4 Bxd4 35.Nxe6+
 1-0

Gurevich, Dmitry (2399) – Free, Graham (2115)

1.c4 e6 2.Nc3 d5 3.d4 Nf6
 4.Nf3 Be7 5.g3 0-0 6.Bg2
 dxc4 7.Ne5 Nc6 8.Bxc6
 bxc6 9.Nxc6 Qe8 10.Nxe7+
 Qxe7 11.Qa4 c5 12.Qxc4
 cxd4 13.Qxd4 e5 14.Qh4
 Rb8

So far the GMs plan is working. His position is fine and he has banged out the first 14 moves in 3 minutes (+ 7 minutes increment).

15.0-0 Rb4 16.e4 h6 17.b3
 Qc7 18.Bb2 Rd8 19.Rac1
 Qb7 20.Ba3 Rbd4 21.Bc5

White has a clear advantage and now the times on the clock are about equal with each side having just under 30 minutes to reach move

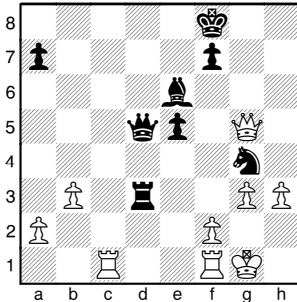


FM Annie Wang

40.



21...Rd3 22.Be3 Be6
 23.Bxh6 Ng4 24.Nd5 R8xd5
 25.exd5 Qxd5 26.Bxg7
 Kxg7 27.Qg5+ Kf8 28.h3



With only a few minutes on his clock, white blunders into a checkmate.



GM Alejandro Ramirez

28...Rxg3+ 0-1

Heading into round three there were 16 players who stood at 2-0, There were many GM vs. GM pairings on the top boards and over half of the top board games ended in a draw. On board one, top seeded GM Lazaro Batista Bruzon drew quickly with GM Andrey Gorovets. Similarly, on board 3 GM Illia Nyzhnyk drew quickly with GM Denes Boros. Board 2 was a long fighting draw between GM Carlos Alejandro Hevia and GM Igor Kovalenko, but they too split the point. Board four was the first decisive game of the perfect score group as GM Alejandro Ramirez defeated SM Jack Zhu. Ramirez will thus occupy board one when

round four kicks off.

GM Arturs Neiksans was the next player to get to 3-0 as he defeated IM David Vigorito on board 2.

Neiksans, Arturs (2566) – Vigorito, David (2338) [B13]

National Open

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.Ne5 Nf6 6.Bb5 Bd7 7.Nxd7 Qxd7 8.c3 e6 9.0-0 Bd6 10.Nd2 Qc7 11.g3 0-0 12.Bd3 Rab8 13.a4 a6 14.Qe2 Rfe8 15.f4 Na5 16.Nf3 Nb3 17.Rb1 Nxc1 18.Rbxc1 Nd7 19.Ne5 g6 20.Kh1 f6 21.Nf3 e5 22.fxe5 fxe5 23.Bb1 Nf6 24.dxe5 Bxe5 25.Qd2 Rbd8 26.Nxe5 Qxe5 27.Rcd1 Kg7 28.Kg1 a5 29.Rfe1 Qd6 30.Qd4 b6 31.Ba2 Qc5

32.Rxe8 Rxe8 33.Qxc5 bxc5 34.Bxd5 Re2 35.b3 Rc2 36.Bc4 Ng4 37.Rd7+ Kh8 38.Rc7 Nxh2 39.Rxc5 Nf3+ 40.Kf1 Rxc3 41.Rd5 Kg7 42.Kf2 Kf6 43.Rxa5 Nd2 44.Ra6+ Kg5 45.Bg8 Ne4+ 46.Ke1 Rxg3 47.a5 Kf4 48.Rc6 Ke3 49.Kd1 Kd3 50.Bc4+ Kd4 51.a6 Rg1+ 52.Kc2 Rg2+ 53.Kc1 Rf2 54.b4 Nd6 55.a7 Rf8 56.Ba6 Kd5 1-0

Board six ended in a draw between IM Aleksandr Ostrovskiy and GM Ruifeng Li. IM Levy Rozman had the very last game of the round as they played 114 move game that ended in a draw as a Q and P ending. GM Ruud Janseen is the final player to reach 3-0 as he defeated FM Annie wang, so there will be three perfect scores: GMs Alejandro

Ramirez, Arturs Neiksans, and Ruud Janssen.

Janssen,Ruud (2514) – Wang,Annie (2334) [D31]

National Open

1.c4 e6 2.Nc3 d5 3.d4 Be7 4.cxd5 exd5 5.Bf4 Nf6 6.e3 0-0 7.Bd3 c6 8.h3 Nbd7 9.Nf3 Re8 10.0-0 Nf8 11.Rb1 a5 12.a3 Be6 13.Qc2 Ng6 14.Bh2 Nd7 15.b4 axb4 16.axb4 Ra3 17.Qb2 Ra8 18.Ra1 Qb6 19.b5 c5 20.Na4 Qd8 21.dxc5 Nxc5 22.Nxc5 Bxc5 23.Rxa8 Qxa8 24.b6 Qa5 25.Bc7 Ra8 26.Ng5 Nf8 27.Rb1 h6 28.Nf3 Qa3 29.Qc2 Bd7 30.Ne5 Ba4 31.Qe2 Bd6 32.Qg4 Bd7 33.Nxd7 Nxd7 34.Bh7+ Kxh7 35.Qxd7 Qd3 36.Rf1 Bc5 37.Be5 Bxb6 38.Qxb7 Ra6 39.Qxf7 Ra7 40.Qe6 Bc5 41.Qg4 Rf7 42.Rd1 Qc2 43.Bg3 Rf5 44.Rd2 Qb1+ 45.Kh2 Rg5 46.Qf3 Rf5 47.Rd1 Qc2 48.Rc1 Qd3 49.Qg4 Rg5 50.Qd1 Qxd1 51.Rxd1 Rf5 52.Bf4 d4 53.exd4 Rxf4 54.dxc5 Rxf2 55.Rc1 Rf7 56.c6 Rc7 57.Kg3 Kg6 58.Kf4 Kf6 59.Ke4 Ke6 60.h4 g6 61.Kd4 Kd6 62.Rc5 Ke6 63.g4 Kd6 64.Rd5+ Ke6 65.Kc5 Rc8 66.Rd6+ Kf7 67.Kb6 1-0

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LECTURES

Conference Room 11

Friday

- 11 am SNIPER 2019 Update
GM Ron Henley
- 7 pm *Hyper Accelerated and Anti-Sicilians*
GM Ron Henley

Saturday

- 1 pm Magnus and his New Weapon in Sicilian Defense
GM Melik Khachiyan
- 7 pm *Modern London System—2. Bf4*
GM Ron Henley

Sunday

- 1 pm Dynamic Decision Making in Chess
GM Melik Khachiyan

NATIONAL OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP SECTION

Ballroom A-C

Friday R4: 11 am R5: 5:30 pm
Saturday R6: 10 am R7: 4:30 pm
Sunday R8: 10 am R9: 4:30 pm

NATIONAL OPEN UNDER SECTIONS

Ballroom A-C

Friday R2: 11 am R3: 5:30 pm
Saturday R4: 10 am R5: 4:30 pm
Sunday R6: 10 am R7: 4:30 pm

Ballroom E

Friday 3-day R1: 10:30 am R2: 1:30 pm
Saturday 2-day R1: 9:30 am R2: 11 am
R3: 1 pm R4: 2:30 pm
Sunday Winners' Circle Cash Bar 9 pm

BEGINNERS Friday R1: 11 am R2: 12:30 pm R3: 2pm R4: 3:30 pm R5: 5:30 pm R6: 7 pm
Saturday & Sunday R1: 10 am R2: 11:30 am R3: 1pm R4: 2:30 pm R5: 4:30 pm R6: 6 pm

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP

Paradise Event Center North

Friday

- 10 am Youth Trophy Tournament
- 5:15 pm Awards Presentation
- 6:30 pm Youth Blitz

Saturday

- 8:30 am Late Registration (to 9 am)
- 9:45 am Opening Ceremony
- 10 am Round 1
- 1 pm Round 2
- 3 pm WGM Jennifer Shahade
Autograph session

Saturday Continued

- 3:30 pm Round 3
- 6 pm Puzzle Solving Competition
- 6:30 pm WGM Jennifer Shahade Simul

Sunday

- 9:30 am Side Event Awards
- 10 am Round 4
- 1 pm Round 5
- 3:30 pm Round 6
- 6:30 pm Closing Ceremony

Blitz and Quad Side Tournaments

Registration ends 30 mins before start times!

Walter Shawn Browne Memorial Blitz Ballroom E

Saturday, 10:30 pm 6 double rounds in 2 sections

Blitz Sectionals Friday Ballroom E & Sunday Ballroom G

Friday, 11 pm RR sections 8 players Sunday, 10 pm RR sections of 8 players