



The 3<sup>rd</sup> FIDE World Cup in Composing

# Section B – Threemovers

Preliminary award by

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## Participants

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B03	V. Plenkov (UKR)	B16	A. Tyunin (RUS)
B04	M. Safarov (AZE)	B17	L. Makaronez (ISR)
B05	V. Samilo (UKR)	B18	E. Bourd (ISR)
B06	K. Mlynka (SVK)	B19	V. Kozhakin (RUS)
B07	Y. Gorbatenko (RUS)	B20	A. Gasparyan (ARM)
B08	E. Fomichev (RUS)	B21	V. Volchek (BLR)
B09	Y. Alekseev (RUS)	B22	A. Biénabe (FRA)
B10	Z. Mihajloski (MKD)	B23	J. Rydh (SWE)
B11	A. Kuzovkov (RUS)	B24	S. Khachaturov (RUS)
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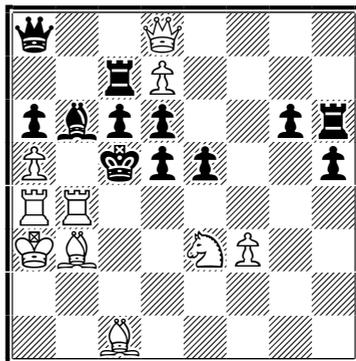
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*F*rom tournament director I received 26 problems without author names.

I decided to rank 10 problems:

1<sup>st</sup> Prize – The Cup winner  
 EVGENY FOMICHEV  
*Russia*



#3\*

10+12

1...d4 2. ♖:b6! A ~ 3. ♜c4#,  
 2...d5 3. ♜e7#, 2...d:e3 3. ♜:e3#,  
 1...e4 2. ♜b2! B ~ 3. ♜d4#,

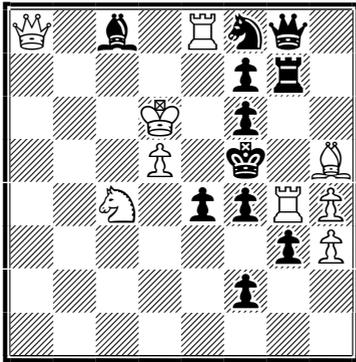
1.a:b6? 1...a5!

1. ♜g5! ~ 2. ♜g2 ~ 3. ♜c2#,  
 1...d4 2. ♜b2! B (2. ♜b6? ♜g8!) ~  
 3. ♜:d4#, 2...d5 3. ♜e7#,  
 1...e4 2. ♜:b6! A (2. ♜b2?  
 ♜h8!) ~ 3. ♜c4#,  
 1... ♜h8/ ♜g8/ ♜f8/ ♜d8  
 2.a:b6 ~ 3. ♜a5#.

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Reciprocally changed white 2<sup>nd</sup> moves. Excellent matrix with black half pin and dual avoidance. In initial position wQ closes bQ line a8-h8 preventing black pint to play on g8/h8. In solution white has to use pinning of black pawns. It's nice that all moves are quite including threat.

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize  
GRIGORIY ATAYANC  
*Russia*



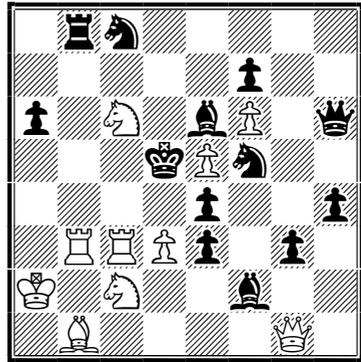
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9+11

1. ♖a1! ~ 2. ♜e5+ f:e5  
 3. ♜:e5#,  
 1... ♘d7 2. ♜:f6+! A ♘:f6  
 3. ♜e5#, 2... ♙:f6 3. ♜:f4# B,  
 1... ♘e6 2. ♜:f4+! B ♘:f4  
 3. ♘e3#, 2... ♙:f4 3. ♜:f6# A,  
 1... ♘g6 2. ♜g5+ f:g5  
 3. ♘g4#,  
 1... ♜g6 2. ♙e7 ~ 3. ♘d6#,  
 1... ♘e6 2. ♙c7 ~ 3. ♘d6#.

Nice problem showing Keller's paradox (white plays 2<sup>nd</sup> move on square that black guarded in defense). Also there are two nice side variations with quite white moves. Great corner to corner key move and good economy.

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize  
ZORAN GAVRILOVSKI  
*Macedonia*



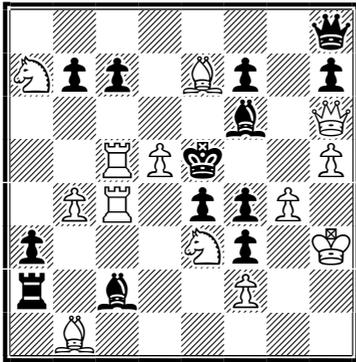
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10+13

- 1... ♘d4 2. ♘2b4+ A ♜:b4  
 3.d:e4# D, 1...e:d3 2. ♜g2#,  
 1. ♜d1? ~ 2. ♘e3+/♘2b4+  
 ♜:e3/♜:b4 3.d:e4/d:e4#, 1... ♘d7!  
 1. ♜c1! ~ 2. ♘2b4+ A ♜:b4  
 3. ♜c5# B (3.d:e4+? D ♜:e4!),  
 1... ♘d7 2. ♜c5+ B ♙:c5  
 3. ♘e3# C (3. ♘2b4+? A ♙b~!),  
 2... ♙e6 3. ♘d8#,  
 1... ♜f8 2. ♘e3+ C ♘:e3  
 3.d:e4# D (3. ♜c5+? B ♜:c5!),  
 1...e2 2.d:e4+ D ♙:e4  
 3. ♘2b4# A (3. ♘e3+? C ♙f~!),  
 1...e:d3 2. ♜h1+ g2  
 3. ♜:g2#.

Four fold cycle of white 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> moves. All white 2<sup>nd</sup> moves are sacrifices. Very nice variations.

1<sup>st</sup> Honourable Mention  
MUBARIZ SAFAROV  
*Azerbaijan*



#3

13+13

1. ♖b5! ~ 2. ♘d4 ~ 3. d6# A,  
2...b6 3. ♘c6# B,

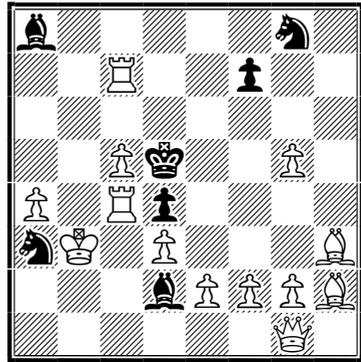
1...b6 2. ♘a7 ~ 3. ♘c6# B,  
2...♙a4 3. ♖:e4# C (2...♚a8/♚e8  
3. ♚:f6#),

1...♙d3 2. ♙:d3 ~ 3. ♖:e4# C,  
2...e:d3 3. ♚:f4# D,

1...fe3 2. fe3 ~ 3. ♚f4# D,  
2...♙g5 3. d6# A.

Four fold pseudo le Grand in variations. Good matrix with all quite white moves. I do not like that wS plays on c6 from two different squares. In my opinion this is not completely identical move. However switchback of ♘a7 and quite variations are very nice.

2<sup>nd</sup> Honourable Mention  
VIKTOR KAPUSTA  
*Ukraine*



#3

13+7

1. ♚h1! ~ 2. ♖d7+ ♘c6  
3. g3#! (3. g4#? ♘:d7!), (2. ♙d6? ~  
3. g3# A, 2...f5 a! 2. ♙c8? ~ 3. g4# B,  
2... ♙f4 b!),

1... ♙:c4 2. d:c4+ ♘e4 3. g4#!  
(3. g3#? ♘e5!),

1... ♙f4 b 2. g3+ A ♘e5  
3. g:f4#,

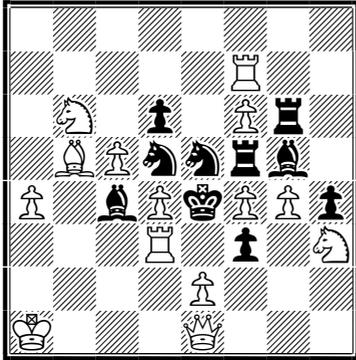
1...f5 a 2. g4+ B ♘e6  
3. gxf5#,

1... ♙f6/♙e7 2. g3+! ♙e4  
3. ♚:e4# 2... ♘e5 3. ♖:e7# (2. g4+?  
♘e6!),

1... ♙c6 2. g4+! ♘e6  
3. ♚:c6# (2. g3+? ♘e5!).

The Siers pawn battery play in two variations. I enjoy solving this problem.

3<sup>rd</sup> Honourable Mention  
 EVGENI BOURD  
*Israel*



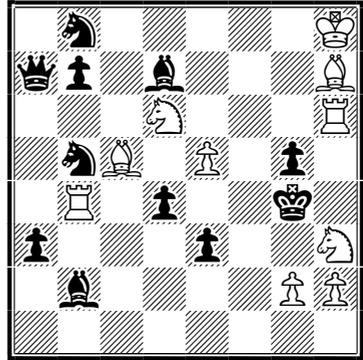
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14+10

1. ♖f2! ~ 2.d:e5 ~ 3. ♜d4#, ♖d4#, ♗:f3#,  
 1...d:c5 2. ♞e7 ~ 3. ♗:f3# A,  
 2... ♗:e7 3. ♖e3# B, 2... ♜:f4  
 3. ♜:e5#,  
 1... ♗:f6 2. ♗c6 ~ 3. ♖e3# B  
 2... ♗:c6 3. ♗:f3# A, 2... ♗:d3 3.e:f3#  
 2... ♗:d3 3. ♗:d5#,  
 1... ♗:f4 2. ♗:f3+ A ♗:f3  
 3. ♗f2#,  
 1... ♜:f4 2. ♗e3+ B ♗:e3  
 3. ♗f2#,  
 1... ♗:d3 2. ♗:d3+ ♗:d3  
 3.e:f3#,  
 1...f:e2 2. ♗:e2+ ♗e3 3. ♗:e3#,  
 1... ♗:b6 2. ♗c6+ ♗d5,  
 ♗d5, d5 3. ♗e3#, 2... ♗:c6 3. ♗:f3#.

Two sets of variations. In one set pseudo le Grand theme and in other sets of variations wQ sacrifices.

4<sup>th</sup> Honourable Mention  
 YURIY ALEKSEV  
*Russia*



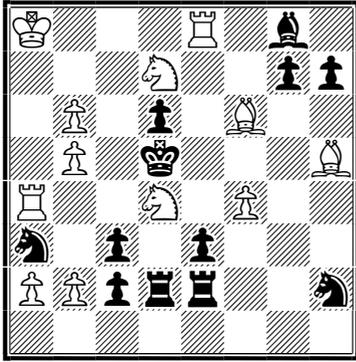
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10+11

- 1...b6 2. ♗e4 A ~ 3. ♗f6#,  
 1... ♗c7 2. ♗e4 B ~ 3. ♗f3#, 2... ♗c6  
 3. ♗f5#, 1... ♗a1 2. ♗c4 C ~  
 3. ♗:e3#,  
 1. ♗e4? A ~ 2. ♗f6#, 1... ♗b6  
 2. ♗:b6 ~ 3. ♗f6#, 1... ♗a6!  
 1. ♗e4? B ~ 2. ♗f3#,  
 1... ♗:d6!  
 1. ♗c4? C ~ 2. ♗:e3#,  
 1... ♗c1!  
 1. ♗:d4! ~ 2. ♗:e3+  
 2... ♗d4, ♗d4, ♗d4 3. ♗f2#,  
 1... ♗:d4 2. ♗e4 A ~ 3. ♗f6#,  
 2... ♗:e4 3. ♜:e4#, 1... ♗:d4 2. ♗e4 B  
 ~ 3. ♗f3#, 2... ♗c6 3. ♗f5#, 1... ♗:d4  
 2. ♗c4 C ~ 3. ♗:e3#, 2... ♗:e5+  
 3. ♗:e5#.

Three interesting black selfpin variations. As soon as black piece pins itself white unpins piece with a second move.

1<sup>st</sup> Commendation  
 ARIEH GRINBLAT  
*Israel*



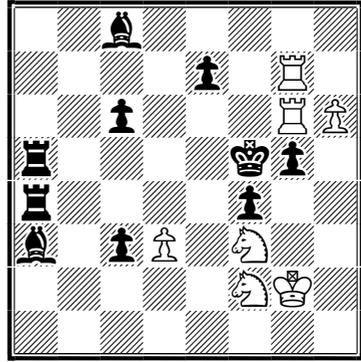
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12+12

1. ♖c6! ~ 2. f5 ~ 3. ♘e7# A,  
 2... ♗c4 3. ♘b4# B, 2... ♖d4  
 3. ♖:d4#,  
 1...g6 2.b3 C ~ 3. ♘b4# B,  
 2...♙e6 3. ♘e7# A, 2... ♖d4  
 3. ♖:d4#,  
 1...g:f6 2. ♘e7+ A ♙e6  
 3. ♘f8#,  
 1... ♗:b5 2. ♘b4+ B ♙c4  
 3.b3# C,  
 1... ♖f2 2. ♖:e3 ~ 3. ♘e7#.

Two thematic pairs of thematic variations. In one pair pseudo le Grand theme is shown. In other pair of variations there are two remote black selfblocks (on squares that are not next to the bK in initial position).

2<sup>nd</sup> Commendation  
 VLADIMIR KOZHAKIN  
*Russia*



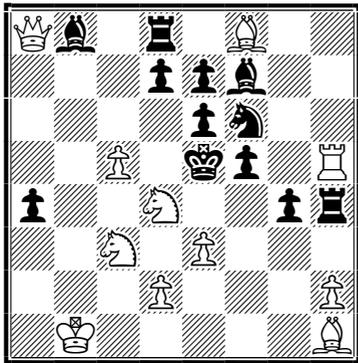
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7+10

- 1.h7! ~ 2. ♖h6 ~ 3. ♖:g5#,  
 ♖f7#, 2...♙e6 3. ♖:g5#,  
 1...e6 2. ♖:g5+ A (2. ♖h6?  
 ♖a7 3. ♖g5#, 2...♙e7!) ♙f6  
 3. ♘g4# B (3...♙:g4?),  
 1...e5 2. ♘g4 B (2. ♖h6?  
 ♙e6 3. ♖g5#, 2...♙e7!) ~ 3. ♘h6#,  
 2... ♙:g4 3. ♖:g5# A (1...g4 2. ♘:g4 ~  
 3. ♘h6#, ♘h4#).

Two fold cycle of white 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> moves in nice matrix. bP closes black lines in variations.

Special Commendation  
ALEKSANDR KUZOVKOV  
*Russia*



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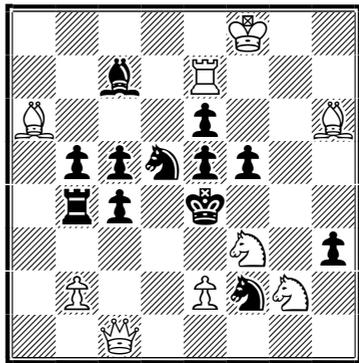
11+12

- 1... ♔d~ 2. ♖c6+ A d:c6  
3.d4#, 1... ♔h~ 2. ♖f3+ B g:f3 3.d4#,  
1. ♖d5? ~ 2. ♖c6+ A d:c6  
3.d4#, 1... ♖e4 2. ♖f3+ B g:f3 3.d4#,  
1... ♖d5 2. ♜g7+ C ♖f6 3. ♝e4#,  
1...g3!  
1. ♖e4! ~ 2. ♖f3+ B g:f3  
3.d4#, 1... ♖e4 2. ♜g7+ C ♖f6  
3. ♝e4#, 1... ♖d5 2. ♖c6+ A d:c6  
3.d4#.

Excellent problem but unfortunately anticipated by the following.

It's interesting that my problem has been published in August and I've got problems from Dmitri on September 7<sup>th</sup>. Most likely that problems are composed with couple of months apart but owner of B11 was unlucky this time. Because all second white moves are identical I cannot award to this problem more than special commend.

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Dedicated to P. GVOZDJAK



#3

9+12

1. ♖2h4? ~ 2. ♖d2(g5)+  
♜d4 3. ♜hf3#, 1... ♖5~ 2. ♜b7+  
♖d5 3. ♝e3#, 1...c3 2. ♝c2+ ♖d3  
3. ♝:d3#, 1... ♔b3!  
1. ♖2e1? ~ 2. ♖d2(g5)+ ♜d4  
3. ♖ef3(c2)#, 1... ♖5~ 2. ♜b7+ ♖d5  
3. ♝e3#, 1... ♔:b2!  
1. ♖e3? ~ 2. ♖d2+ A ♜d4  
3. ♖c2#, 1... ♖~ 2. ♖d2+ ♜d4  
3. ♝c3#, 1... ♖f4 x 2. ♖g5+ B ♜d4  
3. ♝c3#, 1... ♖:e3 y 2. ♜b7+ C ♖d5  
3. ♝e3#, 1...f4 2. ♖g5+ ♜d4 3. ♝c3#  
1...c3 2. ♝c2+ ♖d3 3. ♝:d3#,  
1... ♔:b2!  
1. ♖f4! ~ 2. ♖g5+ B ♜d4  
3. ♖:e6#, 1... ♖~ 2. ♖g5+ ♜d4  
3. ♝c3#, 1... ♖:f4 x 2. ♜b7+ C ♖d5  
3. ♝e3#, 1... ♖:e3 y 2. ♖d2+ A ♜d4  
3. ♝c3#, 1...ef4: 2. ♔:e6+ ♜e5  
3. ♔:e5#, 1...c3 2. ♝c2+ ♖d3/♜e3  
3. ♝:d3/♖g2, ♖:d5#.

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