

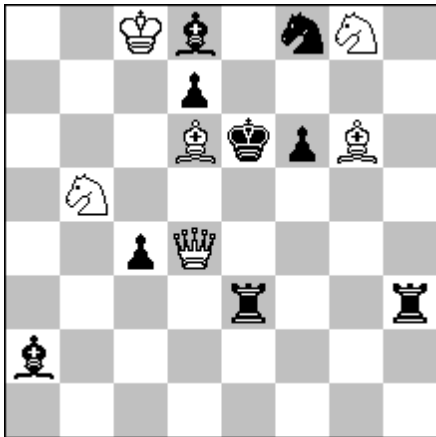
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ETON COLLEGE, Saturday 17th February 2018

ROUND 1: Twomovers

TIME: 20 minutes

SOLVER:

1)



Mate in 2 (6 + 9)
5 points

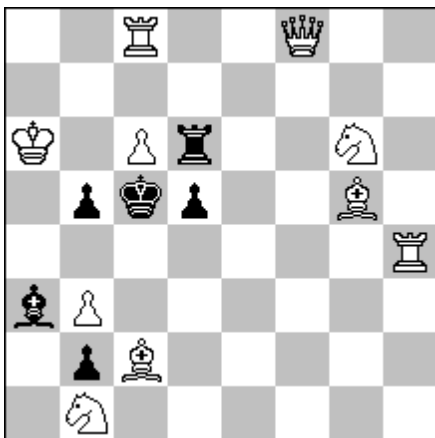
H.L.Musante
3rd Prize *Europe Echecs* 1962

1.Bg3! (> 2.Qd6#) (5)

1..Rd3 2.Qe4#
1..d5 2.Qxe3#
1..Bc7 2.Sxc7#
1..Be7 2.Sc7#
1..Sxg6 2.Qxd7#

1.Bd?? d5!
1.Be7? Sxg6!
1.Bc7? Be7!
1.Qc5? Sxg6!

2)



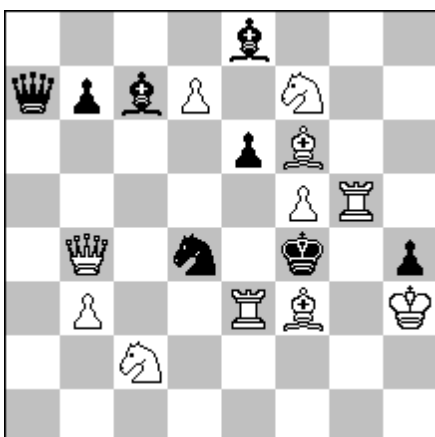
Mate in 2 (10 + 6)
5 points

E.Bogdanov
Krasny Seber 2000

1.Rh5! (-) (5)

1..b4 2.Be3#
1..Bb4 2.Be3#
1..Kd4 2.Qf2#
1..Kb4 2.Qxd6#
1..d4 2.Bd2#

3)



Mate in 2 (11 + 8)
5 points

Volodimir.Melnikov
1st HM *Cossack Chessboard* 2003

1.Rd3! (> 2.Qd2#) (5)

1..Qa5 2.Qxd4#
1..Ba5 2.Be5#

1.Sh6? Bh5!
1.Bxd4? Bxf7!
1.Qe1? Sxc2!
1.Qc3? Sxf3!
1.Bh1? exf5!
1.Bxb7? Qxb7!

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ROUND 2: Threemovers

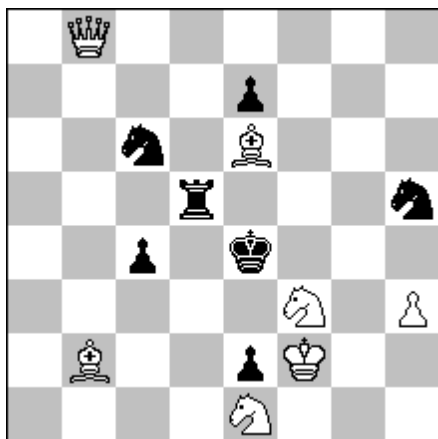
TIME: 40 minutes

SOLVER:

1)

I.K.Draiska

2nd Prize Latvian Sports Committee 1952



Mate in 3

(7 + 7)
5 points

1.Qh8!

1..~~ 2.Qh7+ @ Kf4 3.Sg2#

2..Rf5 3.Qxf5#

1..Rg5 2.Sxg5+ @ Kf4 3.Bc1#

1..Rf5 2.Qc3 @ (>3.Qe3#) Rxf3+ 3.Qxf3#

1..Sf4 2.Qe5+ @ Rxe5 3.Sd2#

2..Sxe5 3.Sg5#

1..Sf6 2.Qh4+ @ Sg4+ 3.Qxg4#

1..Sd4 2.Sg5+ @ Kf4 3.Bc1#

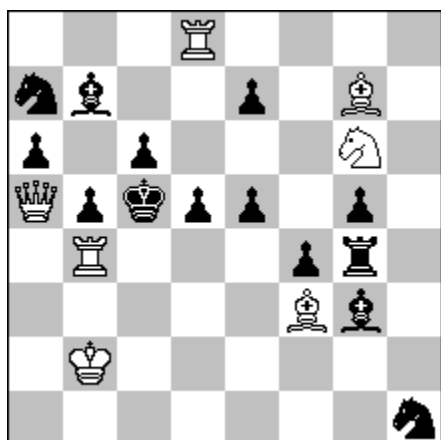
2..Rxe5 3.Qxd4#

1..Se5 2.Sd2+ @ Kf4 3.Qh6#

2..Rxd2 3.Qxe5#

(@ 1 → 1.5 → 2 → 3 → 3.5 → 4.5 → 5)

2)



Mate in 3

(7 + 14)
5 points

V.Kirillov, V.Udarcev

1st Prize *Schweizer Schach-Magazin* 1992

1.Bxe5? Bf2!

1.Bf8? Sc8!

1.Sxe5? Sf2!

1.Sf8? Bc8!

1.Kb3!

1..~~ 2.Qc7 (>3.Rxd5#) e4 3.Bd4# (1)
2..e6 3.Bf8#

1..Sf2 2.Bxe5 (2..Bf2??) 3.Bd4# (1)

1..Bf2 2.Sxe5 (2..Sf2??) 3.Sd3# (1)

1..Sc8 2.Sf8 (2..Bc8??) 3.Se6# (1)

1..Bc8 2.Bf8 (2..Sc8??) 3.Bxe7# (1)

1.Ka3? Be1!

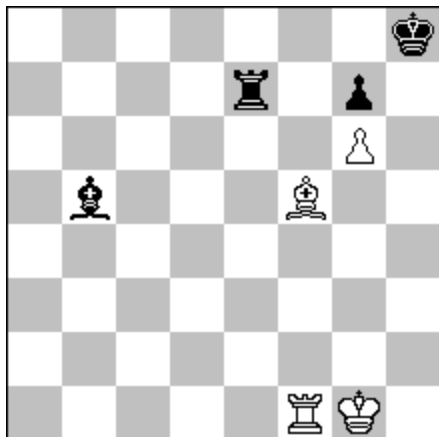
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ROUND 3: Two endgame studies

TIME: 60 minutes

SOLVER:

1)



White to play and win

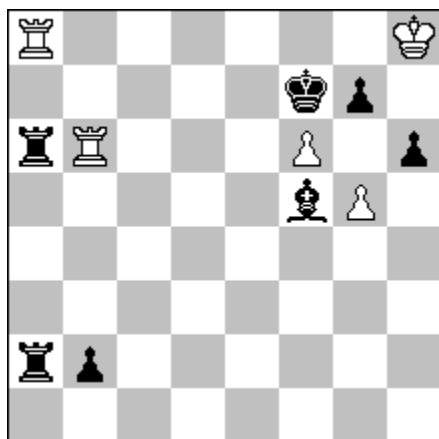
(4 + 4)
5 points

Martin Minski
Original for 6th UAPA

Original composition
not to be reprinted

- 1.Bd3!** (1)
1.. Bc4 2.Rf5 (1)
 (2..Bxc4 Re1 3.Bd3 Rxf1+ 4.Kxf1 Kg8=)
 (2..Rf8+ Bg8 3.Rf5 Re1+ 4.Kf2 Rh1=)
 (2..Rf4 Bd5 3.Rf5 Rd7=)
2.. Bb3
 (2..Re1+ 3.Kf2 Rf1+ 4.Bxf1+-)
 (2..Re3 3.Rh5+ (3..Bxc4 Rg3+ 4.Kf1 Rf3+! 5.Rxf3==)
 3...Kg8 4.Bxc4+-)
3.Rb5 (1)
 (3..Rh5+ Kg8 4.Rb5 Ba4!)=)
3..Ba2
 (3..Be6 4.Re5 Kg8 5.Bc4 Kf8 6.Bxe6+-)
4.Rh5+ (1)
 (4..Ra5? Bb3 5.Rb5 Ba2)
4..Kg8 5.Ra5
5..Bf7 6.Bc4 (1)
 (6.gxf7+? Kxf7=)
 (6..Ra8+? Be8 7.Bb5 Kf8=)
 6..Bxc4 7.Ra8+ Re8 8.Rxe8#

2)



White to play and draw

(5 + 7)
5 points

Martin Minski
Original for 6th UAPA

Original composition
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- 1.Rf8+? Kxf8 2.Rb8+ Kf7 3.fxc7 Rg6! -+
1.g6+! (1)
1.. Bxg6 2.Rf8+ (1)
2.. Kxf8 3.Rb8+
3.. Kf7 4.fxc7
4.. Bh7 5.Kxh7
5.. b1Q+ 6.Rxb1
6.. Rg2 7.Rb7+ (1)
 (7.g8=Q+ Rxc8 8.Rb7+ Kf6 9.Rf7+! Kg5! -+)
 (7.Rf1+? Rf6 -+)
7.. Kf6 8.Rf7+ (1)
8.. Kxf7 9.g8Q+ (1)
 9.. Rxc8 ==

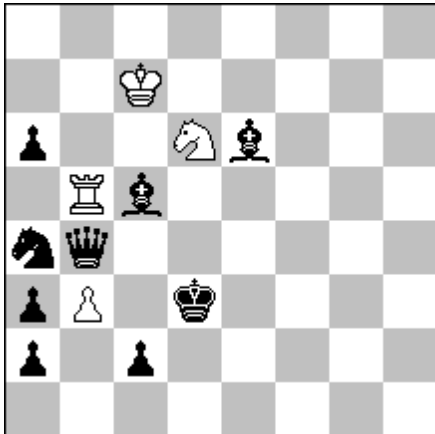
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ROUND 4: Helpmates

TIME: 25 minutes

SOLVER:

1)



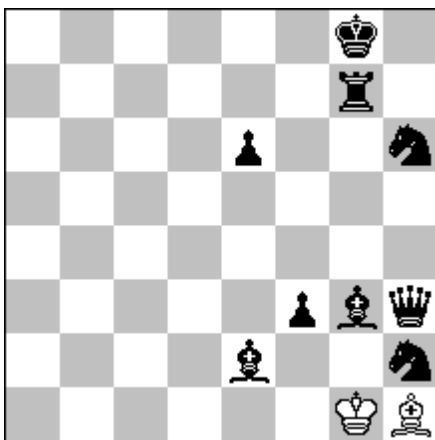
Janne Syväniemi
 11th HM *Springaren* 2015

1.Kd4 Ra5 2.Kd5 Sb5 3.Bd4 Sc3#
1.Kc3 Rb8 2.Kxb3 Sb7 3.Qc3 Sa5#

(2 x 2.5)

H#3 (2 solutions) (4 + 9)
 5 points (2½ + 2½)

2)



Kenneth Solja
Springaren 2017

1.Sf7 Bxf3 2.Qh6 Bxe2 3.Bh4+ Kxh2
4.Kh7 Kh3 5.Kg6 Kg4 6.Bf6 Bd3#

1.S6g4 Bxf3 2.Qh8 Kg2 3.Kh7 Kh3
4.Be5 Kh4 5.Rg8 Kh5 6.Bg7 Be4#

(2 x 2.5)

H#6 (2 solutions) (2 + 9)
 5 points (2½ + 2½)

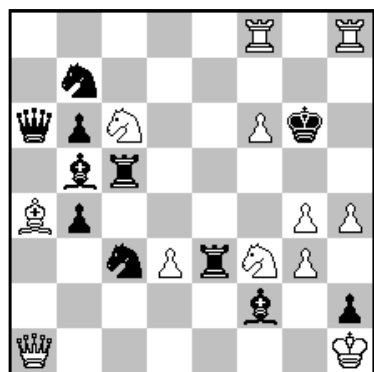
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ROUND 5: Moremovers

TIME: 55 minutes

SOLVER:

1)



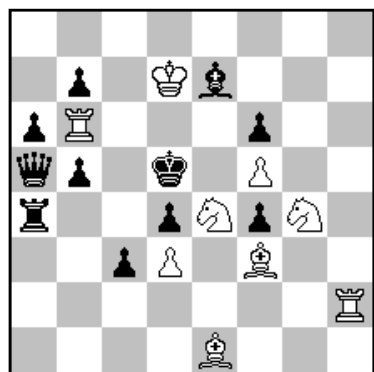
Mate in 4 (12 + 11)
5 points

V.Rychkov
1st place 10th RSFRS Ch. 1990

1.Qf1!

- 1..~ 2.h5+ Rxh5 3.gxh5+ Kf5 4.Qh3# (1)
 1..Bxg3 2.Sfe5+ Rxe5 3.Qf5+ Rxf5 4.Se7# (0.5)
 2..Rcxe5 3.Se7+ Rxe7 4.Qf5# (0.5)
 1..Bxd3 2.Sce5+ Rxe5 3.h5+ Rxh5 4.Be8# (0.5)
 2..Rcxe5 3.Be8+ Rxe8 4.h5# (0.5)
 1..Re1 2.Qxe1 (> 3.Se7/Qe8#)
 2..Bxc6 3.Qe8+ Bxe8 4.Bxe8# (1)
 1..Re4 2.dxe4 (> 3.Se7#)
 2..Bxc6 3.h5+ Rxh5 4.gxh5# (1)

2)



Mate in 5 (9 + 11)
5 points

A.Postnikov
Zadachi i Etyudy 1999

1.Rh6!

- 1..~ 2.Rd6+ Bxd6 3.Sgxf6+ Ke5
 4.Sg4+ @ Kxf5 5.Rf6#
 4..Kd5 5.Rxd6#
 1..Qb4 2.Sexf6+ Kc5 3.Se4+ Kd5
 4.Sd6+ @ Kc5 5.Sxb7#
 1..Qxb6 2.Sxc3+ Kc5 3.Se4+ Kd5
 4.Sd2+ @ Kc5 5.Sb3#

(@ 1.5 → 3.5 → 5)

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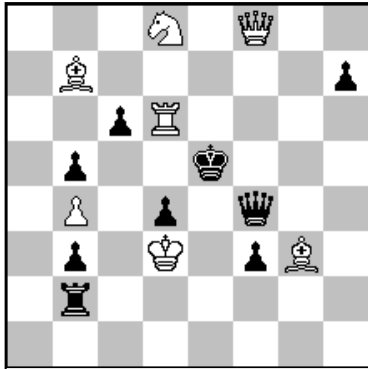
ROUND 6: Selfmates

TIME: 30 minutes

SOLVER:

1)

Zivko Janevski
 3rd Commendation *StrateGems* 2009



Selfmate in 3 (7 + 9)
 5 points

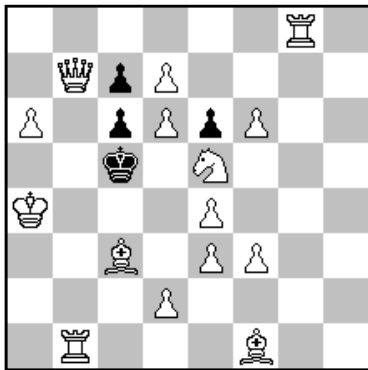
1.Rh6!

- 1..~ 2.Qf6+ Kd5 3.Qxd4+ @ Qxd4#
 1..Qxg3 2.Sxc6+ Kd5 3.Qxf3+ @ Qxf3#
 1..Kd5 2.Qf5+ Qe5 3.Qe4+ @ Qxe4#
 1..c5 2.Qg7+ Kf5 3.Be4+ @ Qxe4#

(@ 1.5 → 2.5 → 4 → 5)

2)

Eugene Fomichev, Jiri Jelinek
 Urals Problemist 2006



Selfmate in 6 (15 + 4)
 5 points

1.Rg5! (-)

- 1..cxd6 2.Sd3+ Kc4 3.Rc5+ dxc5 4.Ba5 e5
 5.Rb4+ cb4 6.Qb5+ cxb5#
 1..Kxd6 2.d8R+ Kc5 3.Rf5 exf5 4.Ka5
 fxe4(f4) 5.Rb5+ cxb5 6.Qb6+ cxb6#

(2 x 2.5)

Problems Difficulty (45 Solvers)

ID	Tag	Difficulty	Average	5(Correct Solution)	0 < Pts. < 5	0 (Wrong Solution)	- (No Solution)
9	H#6	934	0.33	1	4	6	34
13	S#6	900	0.50	4	1	10	30
7	=	746	1.27	3	22	18	2
6	+	724	1.38	3	37	5	0
3	#2	688	1.56	14	0	23	8
8	H#3	644	1.78	15	2	8	20
11	#5	606	1.97	15	5	18	7
4	#3	596	2.02	14	7	20	4
10	#4	534	2.33	13	13	18	1
5	#3	512	2.44	18	6	14	7
12	S#3	500	2.50	14	15	11	5
1	#2	488	2.56	23	0	18	4
2	#2	334	3.33	30	0	9	6

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