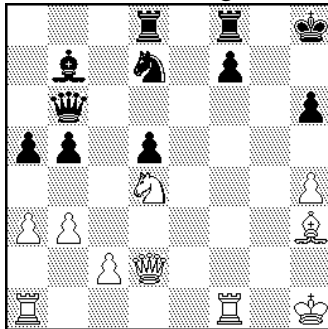


7TH THEMATIC TOURNEY OF *THE MACEDONIAN PROBLEMIST* 2023

TMP announces the 7th T.T. for studies (win or draw) which show a motif or combination from a chess game, either by stripping the position of unnecessary units (but with multiplication of the motif/combination, adding a try or some other extra feature), or altering the idea (“massaging”) in order to achieve better quality and a greater amount of play (see Steffen Nielsen’s article “Strip or Massage: Two Ways of Creating Studies from Games”, pp. 21-29 in issue 67 (Jan.-Apr. 2022) of *TMP* or <https://en.chessbase.com/post/creating-studies-from-games-1> and <https://en.chessbase.com/post/creating-studies-from-games-2>). The composers should submit the chess game which served as a basis for composing the study. Judge: John Nunn (Chess GM and International Solving GM). Entries to zoran.gavrilovski@gmail.com.

Example for the 7th Thematic Tourney of *The Macedonian Problemist* 2023

V. Gunina v. T. Hoang
Grand Swiss, Riga 2021



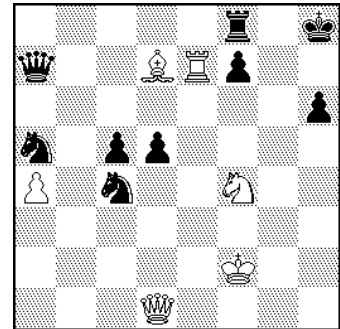
Position after the 25th move 10+11

Left: 26. ♕e6! ♔h7 27. ♕f5+ ♚h8
28. ♘e6 d4+ 29. ♖h2 ♛d6+ 30. ♗h3
30... ♕g2+ 31. ♛:g2 f:e6 32. ♛g6 1:0.

Right: 1. ♛a1+! d4 2. ♛h1 ♛b6
3. ♖e6! ♛b2+ 4. ♖e2 ♛b6 5. ♕e6!
5... ♚h7 6. ♕f5+ ♚h8 7. ♘e6! f:e6
8. ♛:h6+ 1-0. “Massaging” the idea allowed extension of the sacrificial square-evacuation play on e6.

Steffen Nielsen

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