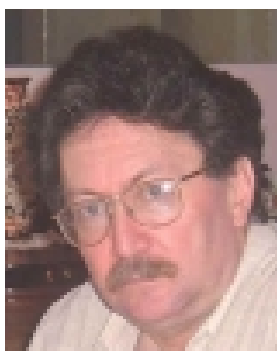




UNION ARGENTINA DE PROBLEMISTAS DE AJEDREZ

**AWARD OF THE
MEMORIAL TOURNEY 120
"ARNOLDO ELLERMAN "**

Section : Helpmates (Ayudados) h#



Judge: Jorge J. Lois



Director: Mario G. García

This tournament was announced by the "Union of problematicists Argentina Chess (UAPA). Had three sections: A) - H # 2 – B) - H # 2.5-3 – C) - H # n

Participant: Eugene Fomichev (Russia), Crhister Jonsson (Sweden); Marco Guida (Italy); Anton Bidlen (Slovakia); Valerio Agostini (Italy); Alexander Spitsin (Ukraine); Karol Mlynka (Slovakia); Vidadi Zamanov (Azerbaijan); Rolf Wiehagen (Germany); Ladislav Salai (Slovakia); Sven Trommler (Germany); Emil Klemacic (Slovakia); Zoltan Labai (Slovakia); Michael Barth (Germany); Valery Kirillov (Russia); Dieter Muller (Germany); Andreas Schonholzer (Switzerland); Alexander Pankratiev (Russia); Michael Gershinsky (Ukraine); Miroslav Svitek (Czech Republic); Walter Díaz (Argentina); Almiro Zarur (Brazil); Vasil Krizhanivskyi (Ukraine); Menachen Witztum (Israel); Fadil Abdurahmanović (Bosnia-Herzegovina); Živko Janevski (Macedonia); Abdelaziz Onkoud (Morocco); Anatoly Skripnik (Russia); Luis Miguel Martin (Spain); Waldemar Tura (Poland); Vladimir Kozhakin (Russia); Ricardo Vieira (Brazil); Alexei

Ivunin (Russia); Darko Neseck (Croatia); Victor Chepizny (Russia); Rimkus Mecislovas (Lithuania); Dmitry Grinchenko (Ukraine); Zlakto Mihajloski (Macedonia); Rolf Kohring (Germany); Eckart Kummer (Germany); Viktoras Paliulionis (Lithuania)

There were 86 problems: H#2 (37), H#2.5-3 (27) and H#n (22), 41 composers of 19 countries.

After the deadline (25-05-2014), the director sent at the judge all studies without the names of the authors.

I thank all participants of this tournament. Special thanks to Jorge Joaquin Lois for his collaboration to act as judge, who has performed his assignment with remarkable dedication.

AWARDS

Memorial Tourney Arnaldo Ellerman-120 2014

H#2 – H#2,5-3 – H#3,5-n

For me it is a great honour to be the judge of the Memorial Tourney Arnaldo Ellerman-120. I am grateful to the friend, composer and Director of tournament Mario G. García for this invitation.

INTRODUCTION

I received 86 problems on anonymous diagrams from the Director of the Contest. The level of the works was more than acceptable, as may be seen from the number of distinctions conferred. I have tried to be as objective as possible in making this award and I ask for understanding from anyone who may not be in agreement with the verdict offered here. My congratulations to the participants.

JUDGMENT

AWARD H#2

The following problems were noticed for the reasons listed: Problem no. 16 (wKe8/bKd5): It has precedent by Aleksandr Pankratiev, Jubilee Tourney O.Bonivento-90, L'Italia Scacchistica 2004-05, Commendation, *Forsyth* 5Q2/1qp5/8/ r2k2P1/5nN1/P3n2r/K6b/8, h#2 4.1.1.1., Solutions 1.Ke4 Qf6 2.Sfd5 Sf2# 1.Kc4 Sf2 2.Qd5 Qb4# 1.Kc6 Qb4 2.Sed5 Se5# 1.Ke6 Se5 2.Rd5 Qf6#.

1st Prize

MT A.Ellerman 120 2014

MARTIN Luis Miguel

Spain



2.1.1.1.

1.Rxf3 (Rf2?) Sd5 2.Bd4 Sb4#

1.Bxe3 (Bf2?) Bd5 2.Rf7 Bxb3#

Opening of a white line by two black units. Interchange of functions between two black pieces: capture and self-interference. Zilahi. Dual avoidance on same square. The set of strategic effects is very attractive. This excellent problem merits the top place in the award. A great work!

2nd Prize

MT A.Ellerman 120 2014

SALAI Ladislav & KLEMANIC Emil
Slovakia



h#2 (6+12)

3.1.1.1.

1.Rc3 Kf5 2.Rd4 Sd2#

1.Bc5 Kxg5 2.Qd4 Se5#

1.Bd5 Kh5 2.Sd4 Ba6#

Play by white direct royal battery. Self-blocks on different squares. Pins of different black pieces on the same square. Three harmonic solutions have the white King as great protagonist. Very nice!

3rd Prize

MT A.Ellerman 120 2014

KLEMANIC Emil
Slovakia



h#2 (8+10)

4.1.1.1.

1.f1=S Rb4 2.Sd2 Bxc5#

1.e1=B Rc4 2.Bd2 Rxe6#

1.Qb4 Bb8 2.Qxf4 Bxf4#

1.Bc4 Rd8 2.Bxd3 Rxd3#

TF-helpmate 2x2. Diagonal-orthogonal correspondence. Under-promotions. Closing of a white line by a white units. Capture that allow white to move and give mate on to the capture square. A helpmate of future with homogeneous strategies in each pair of solutions. Well done!

1st Honourable Mention

MT A.Ellerman 120 2014

TURA Waldemar

Poland



h#2 (6+8)

2.1.1.1.

1.Kd7 Kb2 2.Sed6 Sc5#

1.Kc6 Ka2 2.Sbd6 Rc5#

Black self-pins and white self-unpins. Self-blocks on same square. Black Umnov. Pleasant pinning and unpinning mechanism with mates occurring on the same square. A charming problem.

2nd Honourable Mention

MT A.Ellerman 120 2014

KIRILLOV Valery & WIEHAGEN Rolf

Russia/Germany



h#2 (7+12)

2.1.1.1.

1.Kc6 cxb8=Q 2.Kb6 Qc7#

1.Ke6 d8=Q 2.Kf7 Qd7#

Switchback by promoted white pieces. Pin mates. The idea is attractive but the construction is rather heavy. Interesting play.

Commendations without ranking

Commendation
MT A.Ellerman 120 2014
ZARUR Almiro
Brazil



h#2 (7+15)
 4.1.1.1.

1.Ba7 b7 2.Be3 Bd8#
 1.e3+ Ke6 2.Re4 Be7#
 1.Bxe5 h4 2.Bd4#
 1.Bg2 g6 2.Kf3 Bg5#

TF-helpmate 2x2. Play by white direct battery. 2x battery interference mates. 2x self-blocks and 2x guards on same square. Another helpmate of future with some uncoupled solutions. However, it deserves to be awarded.

Commendation
MT A.Ellerman 120 2014
JANEVSKI Živko
Macedonia



h#2 (4+6)
 3.1.1.1.

1.d4 Sg5 2.Kd5 Rc5#
 1.Kd4 Sf2 2.Be5 Bc5#
 1.Ke6 Rc7 2.Se5 Sc5#

Mates on same square. Self-blocks. Black Umnov. The elements are known but is the whole well made. A pleasant composition.

AWARD H#2,5-3

The following problems were noticed for the reasons listed: Problem no. 5 (wKa1/bKd4): It has several precedents, one of them by Wladimir Naef, Schweizerische Schachzeitung, 10-1993, *Forsyth r7/1K5n/8/8/p4k2/8/BN6/b6R*, h#3 3.1.1.1.1.1., Solutions 1.Rg8 Be6 2.Rg2 Sd3 3.Kg3 Rh3# 1.Re8 Rh3 2.Re4 Be6 3.Sg5 Sd3# 1.Kg4 Sd3 2.Bf6 Rh3 3.Bg5 Be6#. Problem no. 8 (wKa1/bKf2): It has precedent by Sven Trommler, Jubilee Tourney Toma Garai-70 2005, 1st Prize, *Forsyth 8/8/5N2/3P4/3BPpK1/pp1p4/n1rp4/ 1kn5*, h#3 3.1.1.1.1.1., Solutions 1.Sb4 e5 2.Ra2 Se4 3.Sc2 Sxd2# 1.Sc3 d6 2.Ka2 Sd5 3.Sb1 Sb4# 1.Rb2 Kxf4 2.Kc2 Sg4 3.Rb1 Se3#.

1st Prize

MT A.Ellerman 120 2014

CHEPIZNY Viktor & ABDURAHMANOVIĆ Fadil

Russia/Bosnia-Herzegovina



h#3 (4+12)
 2.1.1.1.1.1.

1.Sxd3! Rg1 2.c1=B (c1=S?) Rg6+ 3.Kc5 Sxd3#
 1.Sxf4! Re1 2.c1=S (c1=B?) Re6+ 3.Kd5 Sxf4#

Captures of white pieces to make their squares available for white Knights. Zilahi. Under-promotions with dual avoidance. Umnov B1 & B3. Model mates. Good assembly between black and white play. The achieved construction has determined the valuation of problem. Elegantly done!

2nd Prize

MT A.Ellerman 120 2014

KRIZHANIVSKY Vasil

Ukraine



h#3 (6+11)

2.1.1.1.1.1.

1.Bxa7 Rxc1 2.Bd4 exd4 3.Kf4 Rf1#

1.Rxf1 Bxb8 2.Rf4 exf4 3.Kd4 Ba7#

Diagonal-orthogonal correspondence. Reciprocal captures. Black King moves into initially doubly guarded squares. Zilahi. Switchback. A fine reciprocal play of wR/B and bR/B. A splendid work!

3rd Prize

MT A.Ellerman 120 2014

de MATTOS VIEIRA Ricardo

Brazil



h#2.5 (4+11)

0.2.1.1.1.1.

1. ... Bxc4 2.Re5! (Be5?) Bd7 3.Seg4 Rd1#

1. ... Rgxc4 2.Be5! (Re5?) Rg6 3.Shg4 Bf3#

White pieces evacuate a square previously occupied by a black piece allowing subsequently self-interference on same square with dual avoidance. Self-blocks on same square. Umnov W2 & B2. This problem has nice elements thematic and very good construction. Very elegant!

1st Honourable Mention

MT A.Ellerman 120 2014

IVUNIN Alexei & PANKRATIEV Alexander

Russia



h#3 (10+10)

2.1.1.1.1.1.

1.Rxd5 Bxg6 2.Sf5 fxe4 3.Kxe4 Bxf5#
1.Bxf5 Rxd8 2.Sd6 cxd4 3.Kxd4 Rxd6#

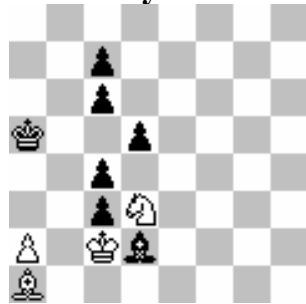
Diagonal-orthogonal correspondence. Capture of white units that allow to unpinning other black units. Masked self-pin of black units. Reciprocal captures. Zilahi. A set of familiar themes with good harmony. A nice problem.

2nd Honourable Mention

MT A.Ellerman 120 2014

MÜLLER Dieter & BARTH Michael

Germany



h#3 (4+7)

2.1.1.1.1.1.

1.Ka4 a3! (Bxc3?) 2.Kxa3 Bb2+! 3.Ka2 Sb4#
1.Be3 a4 2.Ba7! (Bb6?) Sc5 3.Bb6! Bxc3#

White and black tempo moves. Model mates. The idea is not novel, but it has good construction. An interesting Meredith.

Commendations without ranking

Commendation

MT A.Ellerman 120 2014

NESEK Darko & de MATTOS VIEIRA Ricardo

Croatia/Brazil



h#3 (7+14)

2.1.1.1.1.1.

1.Rxf1 Rg1 2.Rf3 Rxa1 3.Bd5 Rc1#

1.Bxg4 Bh3 2.Bf3 Bxd7 3.Rc3 Be6#

Capture of white units associated with the opening of white lines. Hideaways on same square. Self-blocks. Delayed black/white Umnov. Nice black play, but the white game is not so good. Simple and pleasant.

Commendation

MT A.Ellerman 120 2014

ABDURAHMANOVIĆ Fadil

Bosnia-Herzegovina



h#3 (5+9)

2.1.1.1.1.1.

1.Sc5! Bf3 2.Rd6 Re4+! 3.Kd5 Sc7#
1.Sc3! Bc6 2.Rg4! Rd2 3.e4 Rd4#

In a phase the white unpin on W1 and self-interference on W2. In the other phase the black unpin on B2 and self-interference on B3. The strategies are made by white in a phase and black on the other phase. A curious setting.

AWARD H#3,5-n

The following problems were noticed for the reasons listed: Problem no. 6 (wKb2/bKd4): it has precedent by Daniel Novomesky, StrateGems SG14 April/June 2001, Commendation, *Forsyth 8/8/4p3/K1bbk3/6r1/8/1PP5/8*, h#5 2.1. .. 1.1., Solutions 1.Bd4 Kb4 2.Bc5+ Kc3 3.Re4 Kd2 4.Kd4 b3 5.e5 c3# 1.Rg5 Kb5 2.Bc6+ Kc4 3.Bd6 Kd3 4.Kd5 b4 5.Re5 c4# . Problem no. 7 (wKc2/bKc7): it has precedent by Viktoras Paliulionis, Best Problems n. 66 April 2013, *Forsyth 8/1K6/7q/8/n7/1B1k4/8/3b4*, h#5 2.1. .. 1.1., Solutions 1.Sb2 Ba4 2.Qh1+ Kb6 3.Bb3 Kc5 4.Kc2 Kd4 5.Qa1 Ke3 6.Kb1 Kd2 7.Ba2 Bc2# 1.Qc1 Bc4+ 2.Kd2 Kc6 3.Sc5 Kd5 4.Sb3 Ke4 5.Bc2+ Kf3 6.Kd1 Kf2 7.Sd2 Be2#. Problem no. 21 (wKh2/bKe4): it has precedent by Steven Dowd & Mirko Degenkolbe, Orbit NO. 31 July 2006, Dedicated to Christopher Jones, 2nd Honourable Mention, *Forsyth 8/3p4/p2P1N1p/3P1kpP/P2P2P1/1p3pP1/ 1p3P2/bK4BN*, h#20, Solution 1.Kxf6 Bh2 2.Kf7 Bg1 3.Ke8 Bh2 4.Kd8 Bg1 5.Kc8 Bh2 6.Kb7 Bg1 7.Kb6 a5+ 8.Kb5 Bh2 9.Kc4 Bg1 10.Kd3 Bh2 11.Ke2 Bg1 12.Kf1 Bh2 13.Kg2 Bg1 14.Kh3 Bh2 15.Kxg4 Bg1 16.Kf5 g4+ 17.Ke4 Sg3+ 18.Kxd4 Se4 19.Ke5 Sf6 20.Kf4 Bh2#

Prize ex aequo

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MIHAJLOSKI Zlatko

Macedonia



h#6.5 (2+11)

1. ... Bxg2+ 2.Ke3 Bf3 3.Kd4! Bxg4! 4.Qe3 Kg2
5.Ke4 Bh3! 6.Bg4! Kf1 7.Kf3 Bg2#

wB/bK Rundlaufs. White and black Umnov. White minimal. Very interesting strategy put together with a skilful combination of motifs. A beautiful problem!

Prize ex aequo

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PALIULIONIS Viktoras

Lithuania



h#5.5 (3+3)
0.2.1.1.1.

1. ... Se3 2.Qf2 Sc2 3.Re4 Kb2 4.Kg5 Kc3

5.Kf4 Sb4 6.Ke3 Sd5#

1. ... Sxb4 2.Kg5 Sf3+ 3.Kf4 Sd4 4.Ke3 Sxc2+

5.Kd2 Se3 6.Kc1 Sb3#

Theme Chumakov. Immediate Umnov B1/W2 and delayed B2/W5. Rundlauf by wS. Ideal mates. The best miniature of this section. Brilliant!

Honourable Mention

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Jonsson Christer

Sweden



h#4 (3+10)
2.1.1.1.1.1.

1.Bd8 Bd3 2.Ke8 Bxf5 3.Be7 Bd3 4.Rf7 Bb5#
1.Sg6 Sd4 2.Kd8 Sxc2 3.Se7 Sd4 4.Rc8 Se6#

White switchbacks. Annihilation of black pawns. Umnov B2 & B3. Self-blocks on same square e7 and different squares c8/f7. Model mates. A fine achievement.

Commendation
MT A.Ellerman 120 2014
MIHAJLOSKI Zlatko
Macedonia



h#5.5 (3+12)

1. ... Ba6 2.Kf1 Kb5 3.Rf2 c4
4.Sf3 c5 5.e1=R Kc4 6.Ke2 Kc3#

White immediately and delayed Umnov. Black successive Umnov. Switchback of wK. The black play of the solution is independent of the white game. Of course, this is part of the idea. A funny setting.

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