



UNION ARGENTINA DE PROBLEMISTAS DE AJEDREZ

***AWARD OF THE "ALOIS WOTAWA 120"
MEMORIAL TOURNEY***

La Union Argentina de Problematicists of Chess (UAPA) , he has collaborated with the initiative of the composer Peter Siegfried Krug, in the realization of the tournament in honor of the great composer of Austria, Alois Wotawa, on the occasion of commemorating the 120 th anniversary of his birth

Participant: Michal Hlinka (Slovakia ; Luboš Kekely (Slovakia) Richard Becker (USA); Iuri Akobia (Georgia); Martin Minski (Germany); Pavel Arestov (Rusia); Vladislav Tarasiuk (Ukraine); Vladimir Samilo (Ukraine); Jan Timman (Netherlands); Alexander Zhukov (Russia); Marco Campioli (Italy); Valery Kalasnhikov (Russia); Yochanan Afek Israel) ; Vasilij Lebedev (Russia); Mikhael Zinar (Ukraines); Andrzej Jasik (Poland; Beqa Akhaladze (Georgia) ; Siegfried Hornecker (Germany); Pietro Rossi (Italy) ; Alexander Stavrievski Russia); Amatzia Avni (Israel) ; Luis Miguel González (Spain); Vladimir Bulanov (Russia); -Jaroslav Polasek (Rep. Checa) ; Emil Vlasak (Rep. Checa) ; Stanislav Nosek (Rep. Checa)

There were 46 studies, 26 composers of 12 countries

After the deadline (1-02-2016), the director shipping at the judge all studies without the names of the authors.

I thank all participants of this tournament.

Sebastián Palomo

Cordinator of Tournaments

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Special thanks to, Argentinian's Union of Problemists of Chess (UAPA) for collaborating in the organization of the event in homage to my compatriot Alois Wotawa, also to all participants of this tourney

After the deadline (1-02-2016), the Director of tournament sent me 46 studies for the evaluation, without the names of authors, with the diagrams and the solutions in files (PDF and png).

SECTION: STUDIES WIN



8) Pavel Arestov (Russia)

1.0-0+! [1.Kd2?? b2-+] **1...Kg4 2.cxb3** [2.Be2+? Kxg3 3.cxb3 Nf4! (3...Bf7? 4.Bc4 - main line) 4.Bf3 Nh3+ 5.Kh1 Nf2+ 6.Kg1 Nh3+=] **2...Bf7!** [2...Kxg3 3.Ra1+- (Bc4)] **3.Be2+!!** [Thematic try: 3.Bc4? Bxc4 4.bxc4 Kxg3 zz, wtm 5.c5 Ne5 6.Kh1 Nd3! 7.c6 Nf2+ 8.Kg1 Nh3+ 9.Kh1 Nf2+ - posirional draw; 3.b4? Kxg3=] **3...Kxg3 4.Bc4!** [4.Rf3+? Kh4=] **4...Bxc4** [4...Be8 5.Ra1+-; 4...Ne5 5.Bxf7+-; 4...Nf4 5.Ra1 Bxc4 6.bxc4+-] **5.bxc4** zz, btm **5...Ne5** [5...Nf4 6.Ra1+-] **6.c5** zz, btm **6...Nf3+** [6...Nc6 7.Ra1+-; 6...Kg4 7.Kg2+-] **7.Kh1 Nd4** [7...Ne5 8.Ra1+-] **8.Ra1!** [8.Kg1? Kg4 9.Kg2 Nc2= (Kg5)] **8...Nb3 9.Rg1+!** [9.Rxa2? Nxc5=] **9...Kf2 10.c6 Nd4 11.c7 win,**

Logical study with nice Thematic try

20) Mikhael Zinar (Ukraine)

1.h5! [Logical try : 1.e5? gxh4 2.Kg2 c6 3.e6 Kd6 4.c5+ Kxe6 5.cxb6 Kd6 6.b7 Kc7 7.bxc6 g5 8.b3! axb3! 9.axb3 g4 10.b4 Kb8 11.b5 Kc7 12.b6+ Kb8 zz 13.Kh1 g2+! =; 1.hxg5? Kxc4 2.Kg2 Kd4-+] **1...gxh5 2.e5 h4 3.Kg2** [3.b4+? axb3 4.axb3 h3 5.b4+ Kd4 6.e6 h2 7.Kg2 Ke3 8.e7 h1Q+ 9.Kxh1 Kf2-+] **3...c6!** [3...g4 4.b4+ axb3 5.axb3 c6 (5...Kd4 6.e6+-) 6.b4+-] **4.e6 Kd6 5.c5+ Kxe6 6.cxb6 Kd6 7.b7 Kc7 8.bxc6 g4 9.b4!** [9.b3? a3=] **9...axb3 10.axb3 Kb8 11.b4 Kc7 12.b5 Kb8 13.b6 zz 13...h3+ 14.Kxg3+-**

Logical try in pawn study

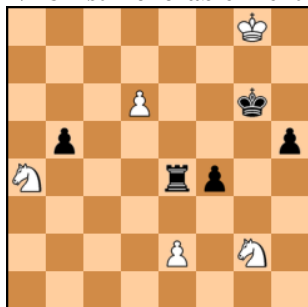
6) Pavel Arestov & Vladislav Tarasiuk (Russia- Ukraine)

1.Re2+! [1.Rd5+? Kc1-+] **1...Kxe2 2.Bxc4+ Kd1!** [2...Kf3 (Kf2) 3.Bxa2 Bxe6 4.Bxe6 dxe6 5.d7 Nf7 6.Kg6 Ne5+ 7.Kg7! Nxd7 8.h5 e5 9.h6 e4 10.h7 e3 11.h8Q e2 12.Qh5+- (Qh2)] **3.Bb3+!!** [Try: 3.Bxa2? Bxe6! 4.Bxe6 dxe6 5.d7 Nf7 6.Kg6 Ne5+ 7.Kg7 Nxd7 8.h5 e5 9.h6 e4 10.h7 e3 11.h8Q e2 12.Qh5 Nb6= (Ne5)] **3...Kd2** [3...Kc1 4.Bxa2 Bxe6 5.Bxe6 dxe6 6.d7 Nf7 7.Kg6 Ne5+ 8.Kg7 Nxd7 9.h5 e5 10.h6 e4 11.h7 e3 12.h8Q e2 13.Qc8+- (Qe8)] **4.Bxa2 Bxe6** [4...dxe6 5.d7 Nf7 6.Bxe6+-] **5.Bxe6 dxe6 6.d7 Nf7 7.Kg6 Ne5+ 8.Kg7! Nxd7 9.h5 e5 10.h6 e4 11.h7 e3 12.h8Q e2 13.Qh6+! Kd1 14.Qd6+ win.**

Surprising move 3.Bb3!! to force Black to bad square

Vasilij Lebedev
(Russia)

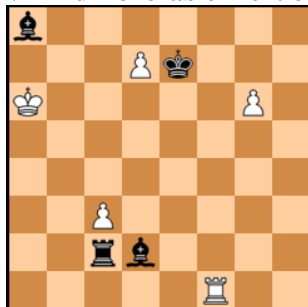
N°18 1st Honorable Mention



Win

Pavel Arestov
(Russia)

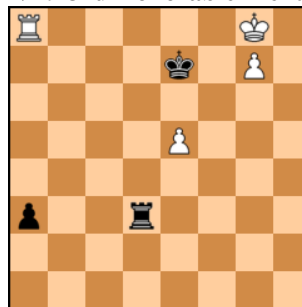
N°7 2nd Honorable Mention



Win

Vasilij Lebedev
(Russia)

N°19 3rd Honorable Mention



Win

18) Vasilij Lebedev (Russia)

1.d7 Rd4 [1...f3 2.Nh4+ Rxd4 3.d8Q f2 4.Qb6+ Kg5 5.Qc5+ Kg4 6.Qxf2 bxa4 7.e4+-] **2.Nxf4+!** [2.Nc5?! Kf5= for example: 3.Kf7 Kg4 4.Ne1 (4.Ke6 Rxd7 5.Kxd7 f3 6.exf3+ Kxf3=) 4...Rxd7+ 5.Nxd7 Kg3 6.Nd3 h4 7.N7e5 h3 8.Nf3 b4 9.Ke6 b3 10.Ke5 b2 11.Nxb2 Kf2 12.Kxf4 h2 13.Nxh2 Kxe2=] **2...Kf5!** [2...Kf6 3.Nc5+- for example: 3...h4 4.e4 Ke7 5.Ng6+ Kf6 6.e5+ Kxg6 7.e6 Kf6 8.Kf8 h3 9.e7 Rh4 10.e8N+ Kg6 11.d8Q+-] **3.Nd5! Rxd5 4.e4+! Ke6** [4...Kxe4 5.Nc3+-; 4...Ke5 5.exd5+-] **5.Nc5+!** [5.exd5+? Kxd7+-] **5...Ke7** [5...Rxc5 6.d8Q+-] **6.exd5 b4** [or 6...h4 7.d6+! Kd8 8.Kf7 h3 9.Ke6 h2 10.Nb7#] **7.d6+! Kd8 8.Kf7 b3 9.Ke6 b2 10.Nb7#**

Tactical play leads to mate

7) Pavel Arestov (Russia)

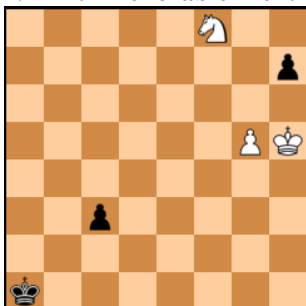
1.Rf7+! [1.g7? Bd5=] **1...Kd8 2.g7 Ra2+ 3.Kb5!** [3.Kb6? Be3+ 4.Kb5 Rg2=] **3...Ra5+! 4.Kxa5 Bxc3+ 5.Kb5!!** [Try: 5.Kb6? Bxg7 6.Rxg7 Be4! zz, wtm 7.Rf7 Bd5! 8.Re7!? Bg2 (Bh1) 9.Rg7 Be4! 10.Rg4 (10.Kc5 Kc7=) 10...Bf5] **5...Bxg7 6.Rxg7** With: main B **6...Bf3** [main A 6...Be4 7.Kb6! zz, btm 7...Bc2 8.Kc6 Ba4+ 9.Kd6 win.; 6...Kc7 7.d8Q+ Kxd8 8.Rg8+-] **7.Kc5!** [Try: 7.Kb6? Be4! zz, wrm, =] **7...Kc7 8.Rg3! Be4** [8...Bc6 9.d8Q+-] **9.Re3!** [9.d8Q+? Kxd8 10.Kd6 Kc8=] **9...Bf5** [9...Bg2 10.Rd3+-; 9...Bg6 10.Re7 Bh5 11.d8Q+ Kxd8 12.Kd6 Bd1 13.Re1+-] **10.d8Q+! Kxd8 11.Kd6 Kc8 12.Re7! Bd3 13.Rc7+! Kb8** [13...Kd8 14.Rc3] **14.Kc6 Be4+ 15.Kb6 win**

After tactical moves we see interesting one position with 5 piece

19) Vasilij Lebedev (Russia)

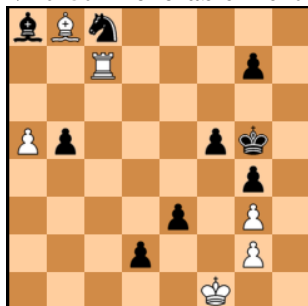
1.Ra7+! Ke6 [1...Ke8 2.Kh7 Rh3+ 3.Kg6 Rg3+ 4.Kf6 Rf3+ 5.Ke6+-] **2.Ra4!** [2.Ra6+?! Ke7 3.e6 Kf6 4.Ra4 Rb3!= (4...Rg3? 5.Kf8 Rxg7 6.Rf4+-; =4...Rf3=) 5.Rh4 a2 6.Kh7 a1Q 7.Rh6+ Kf5 8.g8Q Rb7+ 9.Qf7+ Rxf7+ 10.exf7 Qa7 11.Kg8 Qg1+ 12.Kh8 Qd4+=] **2...Ke7!** [2...Rf3 3.Rh4 a2 4.Rh1 Rh3 (4...Rg3 5.Kh7 a1Q 6.Rxa1+-) 5.Rxh3 a1Q 6.Kh7 (6.Kh8?! Qxe5=) 6...Qa7 7.Kh8+-; 2...Kd7 3.Kh7 Rh3+ 4.Kg6 Rg3+ 5.Kf5 Rxg7 (5...Kc6 6.Rxa3!+-) 6.Ra7+-; 2...Kxe5 3.Kf7 Rf3+ 4.Ke7 Rg3 5.Ra5+ Kd4 6.Kf6 Rf3+ 7.Kg6 (7.Rf5?! a2! 8.Rxf3 a1Q 9.g8Q Ke4+) 7...Rg3+ 8.Rg5 Rxg5+ 9.Kxg5 a2 10.g8Q a1Q 11.Qg7+; 2...Rh3 3.Kf8 Rf3+ 4.Ke8 Rg3 5.Ra6+ Kxe5 6.Kf7 Rf3+ 7.Ke7 Rg3 8.Ra5+ etc.] **3.e6!** [3.Kh7?! Rh3+ 4.Kg6 Rg3+ 5.Kf5 Rxg7=] **3...Rb3** [3...Kxe6 4.Rg4 a2 (4...Kf5 5.Rg2 Rb3 6.Rh2 Kg6 7.Kh8+-) 5.Kh7! (5.Rg1?! Rg3!=) 5...Kf5 6.Rg5+! (=6.Ra4+-) 6...Kf6 7.Rg6+ Ke7 8.Re6+! (=8.Rg1+-) 8...Kd7 (8...Kxe6 9.g8Q+-) 9.Ra6 Rh3+ 10.Kg6 Rg3+ 11.Kf6 Rg2 (11...Rf3+ 12.Ke5 Rg3 13.Rxa2 Rxg7 14.Ra7+-) 12.Rxa2!+-; 3...Kf6 4.Rh4 a2 5.Kh7 Rg3 (5...a1Q 6.g8Q Qa7+ 7.Kh8+-) 6.Rh6+ Ke7 7.Rh1+-; 3...Rf3 4.Kh7 Rh3+ 5.Kg6 Rg3+ 6.Kh6 Rh3+ 7.Kg5 Rg3+ 8.Rg4 Rxg4+ 9.Kxg4 a2 10.g8Q a1Q 11.Qf7+ Kd6 12.Qd7+ Ke5 (12...Kc5 13.e7+-) 13.Qg7+-] **4.Kh7 Rh3+ 5.Kg6 Rg3+ 6.Kh6 Kf6!** [6...Rh3+ 7.Kg5 Rg3+ 8.Rg4 etc.] **7.Rf4+ Ke7 8.Rf7+ Kxe6 9.Rf3! Rxf3 10.g8Q+-**

Vasilij Lebedev
(Russia)
N°17 4th Honorable Mention



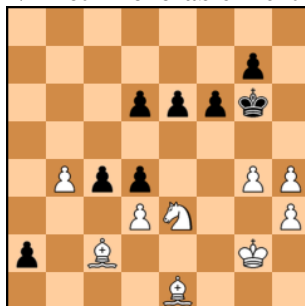
Win

Jan Timman
(Netherlands)
N°10 5th Honorable Mention



Win

Jan Timman
(Netherlands)
N°11 6th Honorable Mention



Win

17) Vasilij Lebedev (Russia)

1.Ne6! [$\langle 1.Nd7?! c2 2.Nc5 Kb2! (2...c1N? 3.Kh6+-) 3.Nd3+ Kc3 4.Nc1 Kd2 (4...Kb2? 5.Ne2+-) 5.Na2 Ke3 6.Kh6 Kf4 7.Nb4 c1N! = \rangle$ **1...c2 2.Nd4** [2.Nc5?! Kb2 3.Nd3+ Kc3 etc.] **2...c1N!** [2...c1Q? 3.Nb3+-] **3.Kh6 Nd3 4.Kxh7 Nf4** [=4...Kb2 5.Kg6! ($\langle 5.g6?! Nf4 6.g7 Nh5! =; 5.Kh8?! Ne5 = \rangle$) 5...Nf4+ 6.Kf5+- for example 6...Nd5 7.Ke5 Ne7 8.Kf6 Nd5+ (8...Ng8+ 9.Kf7) 9.Kf7 Nf4 10.Ne6 Nh5 11.g6 Kc3 12.Nf4! Nxf4 13.g7+-] **5.Kh8!** [5.Kh6?! Kb2 6.Ne2 Nxe2 7.g6 Nd4 8.g7 Nf5+=; 5.Ne2?! Ne6 6.g6 Nf8+=; 5.Kg8?! Nh3 6.g6 Nf4 7.g7 Nh5=] **5...Kb2 6.Ne2! Nxe2** [=6...Ne6 7.g6 Nf8 (7...Kb3 8.Nd4+!) 8.g7 Ng6+ 9.Kg8 Ne7+ 10.Kf8 Ng6+ 11.Kf7 Ne5+ 12.Ke6+-; =6...Ng6+ 7.Kg7 Nh4 8.Kf6+- for example 8...Kc2 9.Nd4+ Kd3 10.Nf5 etc.] **7.g6 Nf4 8.g7 Ng6+ 9.Kg8** [9.Kh7?! Ne7=] **9...Nf4** [9...Ne7+ 10.Kf8+- (10.Kf7?! Nf5=)] **10.Kf7+-** [10.Kf8?! Ne6+=; 10.Kh7?! Nh5=; 10.Kh8?! Ng6+]

Pleasant position, and friendly for solver

10) Jan Timman (Netherlands)

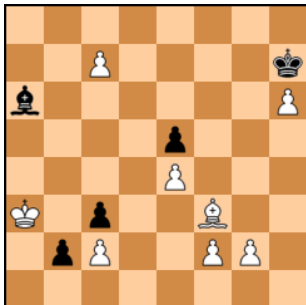
1.Rd7 Nd6 Novotny [1...Kf6 2.Ke2 Ke6 3.Rd3 Be4 4.Rxe3 Nd6 5.Bxd6 Kxd6 6.Rc3! Bxg2 7.Rc8 Bb7 8.Rg8+-] **2.Rxd6 Bxg2+ 3.Kxg2 e2 4.Rh6 e1N+** [4...gxh6 5.Bf4+] **5.Kh1!** [5.Kf1? Kxh6 6.Bf4+ Kg6 7.Bxd2 Nf3! 8.Bc3 b4! =] **5...Nd3** [5...Kxh6 6.Bf4+ Kg6 7.Bxd2 Nf3 8.a6+-] **6.Bf4+ Nxf4 7.Rd6+-** Switchback +-

Surprising moves, after idea Wotawa

11) Jan Timman (Netherlands)

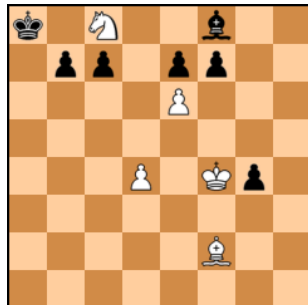
1.Bc3! [1.dxc4+? Kh6 2.Bd2 g5= (2...a1Q 3.Nf5+ Kh7 4.Nxd4+ g6 5.Nf3 Qa2 6.Bd3)] **1...dxc3 2.d4+!** [2.dxc4+? Kh6 3.g5+ fxg5 4.Bg6 a1Q 5.h5 g4 6.h4 Qa8+--+] **2...Kh6** [2...Kf7 3.Bg6+ Kxg6 4.Nc2 Kf7 5.Kf3+- d5] **3.g5+ fxg5 4.Bg6 a1Q** [4...Kxg6 5.Nc2 e5 6.d5 Kf5 7.b5 Ke4 8.b6 Kd3 9.Nb4+--+] **5.h5 g4 6.h4 Qa8+ 7.d5 Qa2+** [7...Qxd5+ 8.Nxd5 exd5 9.b5 d4 10.b6 d3 11.b7 c2 12.b8Q c1Q 13.Qh8#] **8.Kg3+-**

Vladimir Samilo
(Ukraine)
N°9 7th Honorable Mention



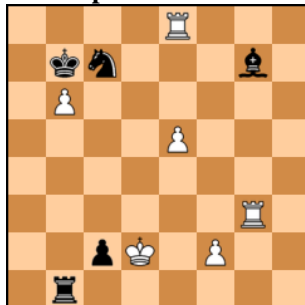
Win

Martin Minski
(Germany)
N°5 Commendation



Win

V.Tarasiuk & Y. Afek
(Ukraine-Israel)
N°16 Sp. Commendation



Win

9) Vladimir Samilo (Ukraine)

1.Ka2! Bc8 2.g3 [2.Be2? Kxh6 3.g3 Kg5! (3...Kg6? 4.f4!+-) 4.Kb1 Kf6 5.f4 exf4 6.gxf4 Ke7 7.f5 Kf6! = (7...Kd6? 8.f6!+-)] **2...Kxh6 3.Bg2 Kg5 4.f3 Kf6 5.Bh3!** [5.Bf1? Ke7=] **5...Bxh3** [5...Bb7 6.c8Q Bxc8 7.Bxc8+-] **6.g4+- After A. Wotawa Scjhadh 1947 -(b1-h7)**

5) Martin Minski (Germany)

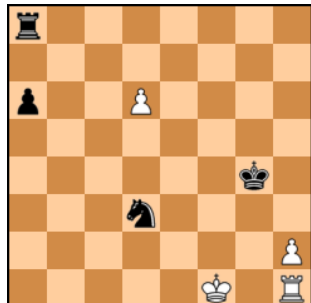
1.d5! [1.exf7? Kb8 2.Na7 Kxa7= (2...g3? 3.Nc6+! bxc6 4.Bxg3 Kc8 5.Kf5 Kd7 6.Kg6+-)] **1...fxe6 2.dxe6 g3!** [2...b6 3.Bh4! Kb7 4.Nxe7+-; 2...Kb8 3.Na7 g3 4.Kxg3+-] **3.Bxg3** [3.Kxg3? b6! 4.Kg4 Kb7=] **3...Kb8 4.Nb6!** [thematic try: 4.Kf5? Kxc8 5.Kg6 b5 position X with bPc7 6.Bf4 (6.Kf7 Bh6=) 6...b4 7.Kf7 b3! 8.Be5 Bh6=] **4...cxb6 5.Kf5+!** [5.Kg5+? Ka7! 6.Bf2 (6.Kg6 b5 7.Be1 (7.Bf2+ b6=) 7...Kb6 8.Bb4 Kc6=) 6...Bg7! = 7.Bh4?? Bf6+-] **5...Kc8** [5...Ka7 6.Bf2! (6.Kg6? b5 7.Kf7 Bh6 8.Bh4 (8.Bd6!? Bg5 9.Bxe7 Bxe7 10.Kxe7 b4=) 8...b4 9.Bxe7 b3 10.Bf6 Bg5! 11.e7 b2 12.e8Q b1Q 13.Qa4+ Kb6=) 6...Bg7 (6...Ka6 7.Kg6 b5 (7...Kb5 8.Kf7 Bh6 9.Bh4+-) 8.Bc5 Ka5 9.Kf7 Bh6 10.Bxe7+-) 7.Bh4! Bf8 8.Kg6 b5 9.Kf7 Bh6 10.Bxe7+-] **6.Kg6 b5** position X with bPb7 **7.Bd6!!** [7.Kf7? Bh6 8.Bd6?! Be3 /b3 9.Bxe7 b6 10.Bf6 (10.Bb4 Bg5 11.Bd2 Bh4 12.Be1 Bg5 13.Bd2 Bh4 14.Bc3 Kd8 15.Bf6+ Bxf6 16.Kxf6 Ke8 17.Ke5=) 10...Bc5 11.Bd4 Bd6 12.Bg7 b4 13.Bf8 b3! 14.Bxd6 b2 15.e7 b1Q /Kb7 16.e8Q+ Kb7=; 7.Be1? Kc7! 8.Bb4 Kc6=; 7.Bf4? b4 8.Kf7 b3! 9.Be5 Bh6=; 7.Be5? b4 8.Kf7 Bh6=] **7...exd6** [7...b4 8.Bxb4+-; 7...b6 8.Bb4 /Ba3+-] **8.Kf7 Bh6 9.e7+-**

16) Vladislav Tarasiuk & Yochaanan Afek (Ukraine- Israel)

1.Rb8+! [1.Kxc2? Nxe8 2.Kxb1 Bxe5 3.Re3 Bd4! 4.Rxe8 Bxf2=] **1...Kxb8 2.bxc7+ Kc8!** [2...Kb7 3.Kxc2 Bxe5 4.c8Q+ Kxc8 5.Rg8+ Kd7 6.Kxb1+-; 2...Kxc7 3.Rxg7+ Kc6 4.Kxc2 Rf1 5.Rf7! Kd5 6.f4+-] **3.Kxc2 Rb2+!** [3...Bxe5 4.Rg8+! Kxc7 5.Kxb1+-] **4.Kxb2 Bxe5+ 5.Rc3!** [5.Kc2? Bxg3 6.fxg3 Kxc7 7.Kd3 Kd7! 8.Ke3 Ke7! 9.Kf3 Kf7 10.Kf4 Kf6=] **5...Bd4!** [5...Bxc3+ 6.Kxc3 Kxc7 7.Kd3 /d4+-] **6.Kb3** [6.f3? Bxc3+ 7.Kxc3 Kxc7 8.Kd3 Kd7! 9.Ke3 Ke7 10.Ke4 Ke6=] **6...Bxf2 7.Ka4** [7.Kb4? Be1=] **7...Bb6 8.Kb5 Bxc7 9.Kc6 Kb8 10.Rb3+-**

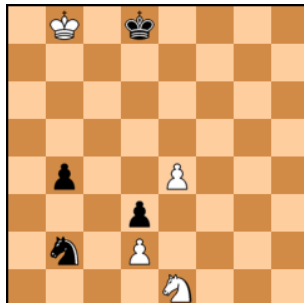
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N°7 1st Prize



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Pavel Arestov
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N°9 2nd Prize



Draw

7) Richard Becker & Iuri Akobia(+) (USA- Georgia)

1.Ke2 Nc5 [1...Ne5 2.Ke3! (2.h4? Rd8 3.h5 Kg5 4.h6 Kg6 5.h7 Kg7 6.Ke3 Nf7 →) 2...Kf5 (2...Rd8 3.Kd4 Nf7 4.Kc5 =) 3.Kd4 Rb8 4.h4! Rb6 5.Kc5 (Kd5) 5...Rb5+ 6.Kd4 =] **2.Ke3!** [2.Rd1? Re8+ 3.Kf2 Kf4 4.h4 Ke5 →; 2.Rc1? Re8+ 3.Kf1 Re5 4.Rd1 Nd7 →] **2...Rd8** [2...Nb7 3.d7 =] **3.Rd1 Nb7 4.d7** [4.h3+? (Rd4+?) 4...Kf5 →] **4...Nc5** [4...Kf5 5.h4 Ke6 6.h5 Rxd7 (6...Nd6 7.Ra1 a5 8.Kf4 (Ke2) =) 7.Rxd7 Kxd7 8.h6 =] **5.h3+!** [5.Rd5? Nxd7 6.h3+ (6.Kd2 Kf4 7.h4 Ke4 →) 6...Kxh3 7.Rd6 Re8+ 8.Kd4 Nb8 →; 5.Rd4+? Kh3 6.Rd5 Nxd7 7.Kd2 Kg4 (Kh4) →] **5...Kh4** [5...Kxh3 6.Kf3 =] **6.Rd5 Nxd7 7.Rd4+ Kg5 8.Rd5+ Kh4 9.Rd4+ Kg3 10.Rd3!** zz (An "X-ray check". Forming a battery prevents 10...Re8+) 10... **10...Kh4** MAIN B [MAIN A) 10...Kxh3 11.Kf2+! Kh2 12.Rd2! zz (Another "X-ray check") 12... 12...Kh1 13.Rd1+ Kh2 14.Rd2 Kh3 15.Rd3+ Kg4 16.Rd4+ Kg5 (16...Kf5 17.Rd6! =) 17.Rd5+ Kf4 18.Rd6! draws] **11.Rd4+ Kxh3 12.Kd2!** zz **12...Kg3** [12...Kg2 13.Rd3 Kf2 14.Kd1 Kg2 15.Kd2 =] **13.Kd1!** zz **13...Kf3** [13...a5 14.Kd2 zz 14...Kf3 15.Rd5 transposes] **14.Kd2** zz **14...a5 15.Rd5 a4 16.Rd4** zz **16...Kg3** [16...Kf2 17.Rd3 Kg2 18.Kd1 =] **17.Kc3!** [17.Kd1? Ra8 18.Rxd7 a3 →] **17...Rc8+ 18.Kb4 Nb6 19.Kb5** draws

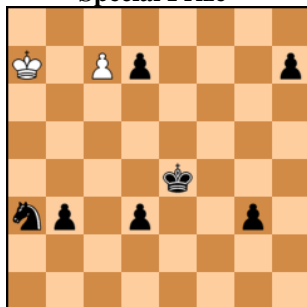
Sequences extensive, with very subtle plays that contain interesting positions, of zugzwang.

9) Pavel Arestov (Russia)

1.e5! [Thematic try: 1.Ka7? b3 2.e5 (2.Ka6 Na4 3.Nxd3 Nc5+→→) 2...Ke8! (2...Ke7? 3.e6=) 3.e6 Ke7 zz, wtm 4.Ka6 Na4 5.Nxd3 Nc5+! 6.Nxc5 b2→+] **1...b3** [1...Ke7 2.Ka7! main line.] **2.e6!** [2.Ka7? Ke8! 3.e6 Ke7 4.Ka6 Na4 5.Nxd3 Nc5+→+] **2...Ke8!** **3.Ka8!** [3.Kc7? Ke7 4.Kc6 Nc4! 5.Nxd3 Ne5+!→; 3.Ka7? Ke7 4.Ka6 Na4 5.Nxd3 Nc5+!→; 3.Kb7? Na4 4.Nxd3 Nc5+!→+] **3...Kd8 4.Kb8 Ke7 5.Ka7!** zz, brm **5...Kxe6** [5...Kd6 6.Ka6=] **6.Ka6!** [6.Kb6? Na4+→+] **6...Kd5 7.Kb5!** [7.Ka5? Nc4+→+] **7...Nc4** [7...Ke4 8.Kb4=] **8.Nxd3 b2** [8...Kd4 9.Kb4=] **9.Nxb2** draw.

Study in classic style

P. Arestov & V. Tarasiuk
(Ukraine)
Special Prize



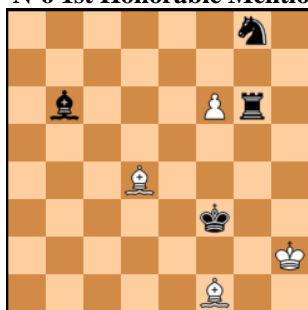
Draw

8) Pavel Arestov & Vladislav Tarasiuk (Russia- Ukraine)

1.c8Q Nb5+ [1...d2 2.Qxd7 - main line] **2.Ka8!!** only in a corner [2.Ka6? d2 3.Qxd7 Nd4! 4.Qxh7+ Ke3! 5.Qh6+ Kd3 6.Qg6+ Kc3 (Kc4) 7.Qxg3+ Kc2 8.Qf2 b2! 9.Qxd4!? b1Q (d1Q) 10.Qc5+ Kb2 11.Qb4+ Kc1 12.Qc3+ Kd1 13.Qf3+ Kc2! 14.Qc6+ Kb2 15.Qf6+ Ka2 16.Qe6+ (no Qa6+??) 16...Qb3-+; 2.Kb6? d2 3.Qxd7 Nd4 4.Qxh7+ Ke3 5.Qh6+ Kd3 6.Qg6+ Kc3 7.Qxg3+ Kc2 8.Qf2 b2 9.Qxd4 b1Q-+] **2...d2**
3.Qxd7 Nd4! [3...g2 4.Qe8+ (Qc6) 4...Kf4 5.Qb8+ Kf3 6.Qf8+=] **4.Qxh7+ Ke3** **5.Qh6+ Kd3** [5...Ke2 6.Qh5+ Nf3 7.Qb5+ = Lomonosov EGTB] **6.Qg6+ Kc4!** **7.Qg8+! Kc3** [7...Kb4 8.Qb8+ (Qg4) 8...Kc4 9.Qg8+=] **8.Qxg3+ Kc2** **9.Qf2!** [9.Qg6+? Kc1!-+] **9...Kc1** [9...b2 10.Qxd4! b1Q (d1Q) 11.Qc5+ Qc4) 11...Kb2 12.Qb4+ Qd4) 12...Kc1 13.Qc3+! Kd1 (13...Qc2 14.Qa1+ Qb1 15.Qc3+=) 14.Qf3+ Kc2 15.Qc6+! (15.Qe4+? Kc1-+) 15...Kb2 16.Qf6+! Ka2 17.Qa6+!]=] **10.Qe3!** [10.Qxd4? d1Q 11.Qc3+ Kb1-+] **10...b2** **11.Qxd4!** main /A **11...d1Q** [main B 11...b1Q 12.Qc3+ Qc2 13.Qa1+ Qb1 14.Qc3+ Kd1 15.Qf3+ Kc2 16.Qc6+ Kb2 17.Qf6+ Ka2 18.Qa6+ - positional draw.] **12.Qc5+ Qc2** **13.Qg1+ Qd1** **14.Qc5+ Kb1** **15.Qf5+ Qc2** **16.Qf1+ Ka2** **17.Qa6+ - positional draw,**
Surprising Ka8!! Only 1 white pawn!

S. Hornecker & M. Minski (Germany)

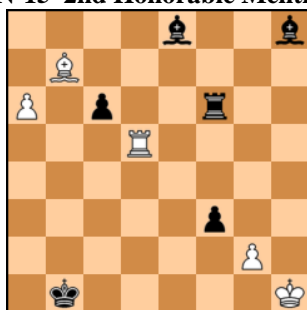
N°6 1st Honorable Mention



Draw

Alexander Stavrietsky (Russia)

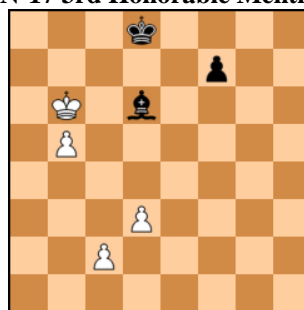
N°15 2nd Honorable Mention



Draw

Vasilij Lebedev (Russia)

N°17 3rd Honorable Mention



Draw

6) Siegfried Hornecker & Martin Minski (Germany)

1.Be2+! [1.f7? Bc7+ 2.Kh1 Bd6-+; 1.Bxb6? Nxf6-+] **1...Kxe2** **2.f7 Bc7+** **3.Be5!** [3.Kh1? Bd6-+] **3...Bxe5+** **4.Kh1! Rh6+** [4...Bd6 5.fxg8Q Rxc8 model stalemate] **5.Kg2 Nf6** **6.f8Q Rg6+** **7.Kh1 Kf1** **8.Qg7! Ne4!** [8...Rxc7 stalemate] **9.Qf7+!** [9.Qxg6? Nf2# model mate] **9...Bf4!** [9...Nf2+ 10.Qxf2+ Kxf2 stalemate] **10.Qc4+!** [10.Qxf4+? Nf2+ 11.Qxf2+ (11.Kh2 Rg2#) 11...Kxf2-+ no stalemate] **10...Kf2** **11.Qe2+ / Qf1 KxQ stalemate**

Very nice play of both sides. A study in classical style enjoyable also for Chessplayers

15) Alexander Stavrietsky (Russia)

1.Rd1+! [1.gxf3? cxd5 2.a7 Ra6 3.Bxa6 Bc6-+] **1...Kc2** **2.gxf3 Kxd1** **3.a7 Rh6+** **4.Kg2 Rg6+** **5.Kh1 Rg1+** **6.Kh2** [6.Kxg1? Bd4-+] **6...Be5+** **7.f4 Bxf4+** **8.Kxg1 Be3+** **9.Kf1 Bd7** **10.Bxc6 Bxc6** **11.a8Q Bxa8= Stalemate**

Black counterplay very good; which culminates with "mirror stalemate"

17) Vasilij Lebedev (Russia)

1.Kc6! [1.c4? f5 2.d4 f4 3.c5 f3-+] **1...f5!** **2.Kd5** [2.Kxd6? f4-+] **2...f4!** **3.Ke4** [3.Kd4? Kc7 4.c4 Kb6 5.Ke4 Kc5-+] **3...Kc7!** **4.c4** [=4.d4 Kb6 5.c4 etc.; 4.Kf3? Kb6 5.c4 Kc5-+] **4...Kb6** **5.d4 Bb8!** [5...Ka5 6.c5 Bb8 7.d5 Kxb5 8.d6=] **6.Kd3** [6.Kf3? Ka5 7.Ke4 Kb4 8.Kd3 Bc7! 9.d5 Kc5-+] **6...Ka5** **7.Kc3 Ba7!** [=7...f3 8.Kd3 Bf4 9.d5 f2 (9...Kb6 10.d6! Bg5 11.c5+! Kxc5 12.d7 Kxb5 13.d8Q Bxd8 14.Ke3=) 10.Ke2 Be3! 11.Kf1! (11.d6? Kb6-+; 11.b6? Kxb6-+) 11...Kb6 12.Ke2 (g2) 12...Kc5 13.Kf1 Bd4! 14.Ke2! (14.Kg2? Kxc4 15.d6 Kd3! 16.d7 Ke2 17.d8Q f1Q+ 18.Kg3 Qf3+ 19.Kh4 Bf6-+) 14...Kd6 15.Kf1 - positional draw: 15...Kc5 16.Ke2 etc.] **8.Kd3** [8.d5? f3-+] **8...Kb4** [8...Bb8 9.Kc3 Ba7 10.Kd3 - positional draw] **9.d5 Kc5!** [9...f3 10.d6=] **10.d6!** **Kxd6** [10...Bb8 11.d7 Bc7 12.Ke4=] **11.Ke4 Be3** [11...Bb8 12.Kxf4=] **12.b6!** **Kc6** **13.c5!** **Kb7** [13...Bc1 14.Kf3= Bd2 15.Ke4 (g4) átñ.] **14.Kf3 - positional draw: 14...Kc6** **15.Ke4** (g4).

Interesting endgame position that leads to draw

**Stanislav Nosek
(Rep. Checa)
N°13 S.p. Honorable Mention**



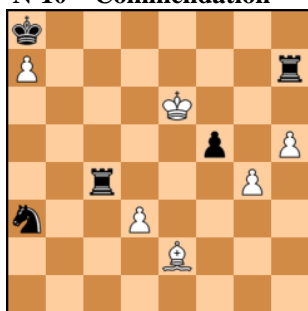
Draw

13) Stanislav Nosek (Rep. Checa)

1.Nc4+ [1.Nd3+? Kd1 2.Rxh8 b1Q 3.Rxh1+ Kc2 4.Nxb4+ Kb2 5.Rxb1+ Kxb1-+; 1.Nf3+? Kd1 2.Rxh8 Nf2 3.Rg8 Ke2-+; 1.Ng4+? Kd1 2.Rxh8 Ng3-+] **1...Kd1** [1...Kf2 2.Nxd2 bxa3 3.Ra8=] **2.Rxh8** [2.Ne3+? Kc1 3.Rxh8 d1Q+ 4.Nxd1 b1Q 5.Rxh1 Qf5+--+] **2...Nf2!** [2...b1Q? 3.Rxh1+--+] **3.Nxb2+** [3.Ne3+? Ke2-+] **3...Kc1** [3...Kc2 4.Kc6 /e6 4...bxa3 5.Nc4! a2 6.Ra8 d1Q 7.Ne3+=] **4.Kc4!** [4.Nd3+? Nxd3 5.Rh1+ Ne1-+; 4.Rh2? bxa3 5.Rxf2 axb2-+] **4...bxa3** [4...Kxb2 5.Rd8=] **5.Nd1** [5.Kb3? axb2 6.Rc8+ Kb1-+] **5...Nxd1!** [5...Kxd1 6.Kb3 Ke2 7.Re8+ Ne4 8.Rd8! Nc5+ 9.Kc2 Ne4 10.Kb3=; 5...a2 e.g. 6.Ra8 Nxd1 7.Rxa2 Nb2+ 8.Kc3=] **6.Kb3 a2** [6...Nf2 /e3 7.Rd8=; 6...Nc3 7.Rh1+=] **7.Kxa2** [7.Ra8 Nb2-+] **7...Nc3+** **8.Ka1! d1Q 9.Rh1 Qxh1 stalemate**

**Pavel Arestov
(Russia)**

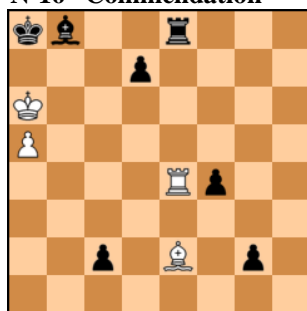
N°10 Commendation



Draw

**Vasilij Lebedev
(Russia)**

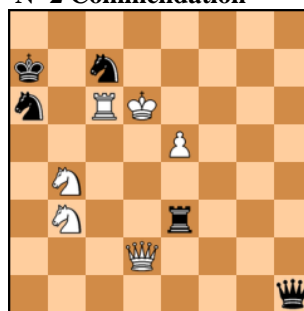
N°16 Commendation



Draw

**M, Hlinka & L. Kekely
(Slovakia)**

N° 2 Commendation



BTM Draw

10) Pavel Arestov (Russia)

1.Bf3+ [Try : 1.dxc4 fxg4 2.Bxg4 Nxc4 3.Kf6 (3.Kf5 .Rxa7! 4.Kf6 Nd6 5.Be6 Ne8+ 6.Kg6 Ra6 7.Kf7 Nc7 8.h6 Nxe6-+) 3...Kxa7! zz, wtm 4.Kg6 Rb7 5.Be6 Rb6 6.Kf6 Ne3 7.Kf7 (7.h6 Ng4-+) 7...Ng2! (7...Rb7+? 8.Kf6 Rb6 9.Kf7 loss of time) 8.h6 Nf4 9.h7 Rb7+ 10.Kg8 Rb8+ 11.Kf7 Nxe6 12.Kxe6 Rh8-+] **1...Kxa7 2.dxc4 fxg4 3.Bxg4 Nxc4 4.Kf6!** zz, btm **4...Kb8** [4...Ne3 5.Bf3 Kb6 6.Kg6=; 4...Kb6 5.Kg6 Rc7 6.Be6 Rc6 7.Kf6! Ne3 8.Kf7! Ng2 9.h6 /Bd5 9...Nf4 10.h7 Rc7+ 11.Kg8=] **5.Kg6 Rb7 6.Be6** [6.h6? Ne5+ 7.Kf5 Nf7! 8.Kg6 Nh8+--+] **6...Rb6** [6...Ne5+ 7.Kf6 Nd3 8.h6 Nf4 9.Bf5 /f7=] **7.Kf6 Ne3** [7...Nd2 8.h6 Ne4+ 9.Kg7 /e5 9...Rxe6 10.h7=] **8.Kf7!** [8.h6? Ng4-+] **8...Ng2** [8...Rb7+ 9.Kf6 /g6=] **9.h6 Nf4 10.h7 Rb7+ 11.Kg8 Nxe6 12.h8Q=**

16) Vasilij Lebedev (Russia)

1.Re7! [1.Rxe8? c1Q 2.Bf3+ Qc6+ 3.Bxc6+ dxc6 4.Rg8 f3 5.Rg7 c5-+ (5...f2? 6.Ra7+ Bxa7 - stalemate) ; 1.Bf3? g1N!-+] **1...d5!** [1...c1Q 2.Bf3+ Qc6+ 3.Bxc6+ dxc6 4.Ra7+! Bxa7 - stalemate; 1...g1N 2.Bc4 c1Q 3.Bd5+ Qc6+ 4.Bxc6+ dxc6 5.Ra7+! Bxa7 - stalemate] **2.Bf3! Rd8 3.Bxd5+! Rxd5 4.Ra7+! Bxa7 - stalemate**

Surprising 1.Re7!!

2) Michal Hlinka & Luboš Kekely (Slovakia)

1...Qh6+ [1...Nb5+ 2.Ke6 Qh3+ 3.Kf7 Qh5+ 4.Kf8 Qh8+ 5.Kf7 Qh7+ 6.Kf8 Rf3+ 7.Rf6=] **2.Kd7 Qg7+** [2...Qh3+ 3.e6 Rxe6 4.Rxc7+ Nxc7 5.Nc6+ Rxc6+ 6.Kxc6 Qxb3 7.Kxc7=; 2...Qh7+ 3.Kc8 Qf5+ 4.Qd7=] **3.Kc8** [3.Kd8? Qf8+ 4.Kd7 Qe8+ 5.Kd6 Qd8#] **3...Rxe5** [3...Qf8+ 4.Qd8 Qxb4 5.Rxc7+ Nxc7 6.Qxc7+=] **4.Qd4+ Ka8 5.Qxe5 Qxe5 6.Nxa6 Nb5** [6...Ne6 7.Nbc5 Nxc5 8.Nc7+ Ka7 9.Nb5+= perpetual check] **7.Nc7+ Nxc7 8.Nd4** zz A) **8...Qxd4 [B)** 8...Qg3 9.Rb6 Ka7 10.Rd6 Qxd6 11.Nb5+ Nxb5= **stalemate; C)** 8...Qe7 9.Ne6 Nb5 10.Nc7+ (10.Ra6+? Na7+ 11.Rxa7+ Kxa7-+) 10...Nxc7 11.Ra6+ Nxa6= **stalemate; D)** 8...Nb5 switchback 9.Ra6+ Na7+ 10.Rxa7+ Kxa7 11.Nc6+=; 8...Qg7] **9.Ra6+ Nxa6= stalemate** Meredith. Reciprocal zugzwang. Sacrifices of both white knights on the same square. Synthesis of 3 similar stalemates.

After 6.Nxa6 there is an interesting position

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