

16th European Chess Solving Championship

H# Composing Tourney Announcement

Helpmates in 2 moves are required with successive twins (at least 3 positions a), b), c), and possibly more) formed by removal of one piece of either colour from the preceding starting position – so called striptease theme.

E.g. if the problem has 5 positions, four of them are formed by gradual removals of one piece from previous position, starting from the diagram (see example P3).

Fairy pieces and fairy conditions are not allowed. Twinning types other than successive removal of pieces are not allowed. Each starting position should have only one solution, multi-solution positions are not allowed.

Maximum of three entries per person, joint entries count as full entries for all co-authors.

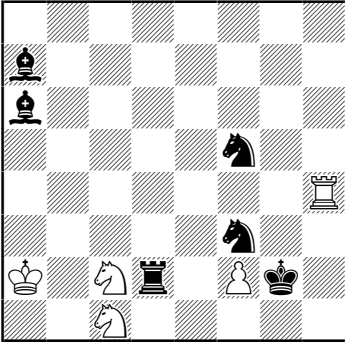
Closing date: 1 May 2023 (the award will be announced during the ECSC in June 2023)

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Judge: Juraj Lörinc

Examples:

P1 - Karol Mlynka
Šachová skladba 1990

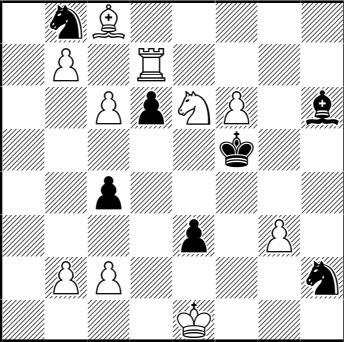


h#2 (5+6)

b) - ♖d2
c) =b) - ♙a6

- a) 1.Rxf2 Se2 2.S5d4 Se3#
b) 1.Bf1 Sd3 2.Sg1 Sce1#
c) 1.Bxf2 Se3+ 2.Kg1 Se2#

P2 - György Bakcsi
1st Prize
Hungarian Chess Federation
1984

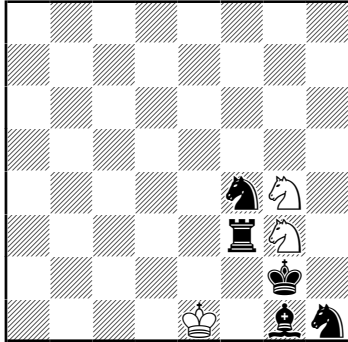


h#2 (10+7)

b) - ♘e6
c) =b) - ♖d7
d) =c) - ♙c8

- a) 1.Kg4 Rg7+ 2.Kh3 Sf4#
b) 1.Kg6 Rd8 2.Kh7 Bf5#
c) 1.Ke4 c3 2.Kd3 Bf5#
d) 1.Ke6 c7 2.Kd7 c8=Q#

P3 - Charles Wermelinger
3rd Prize Thèmes-64 1960



h#2 (3+5)

b) - ♖f3
c) =b) - ♗f4
d) =c) - ♘g3
e) =d) - ♗h1

- a) 1.Sh3 Sf5 2.Rg3 Sh4#
b) 1.Sh3 Se3+ 2.Kh2 Sgf1#
c) 1.Bh2 Se3+ 2.Kg1 Se2#
d) 1.Sf2 Kd2 2.Kf1 Se3#
e) 1.Kh1 Kf1 2.Bh2 Sf2#