

## *Dom* Springaren h#2,5–3 2020

I thank Indrek Auvner and Springaren's editorial staff for inviting me to judge this tournament. The level seems good enough to me. It is difficult to compose excellent problems in the Helpmates field.

List of participants:

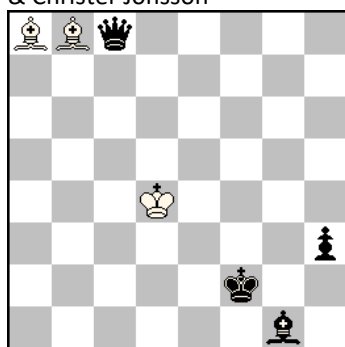
Antipin Ivan	14519*
Barsukov Valery	14576,14578,14579
Bryukhanov Ivan	1728
Carf Jean	14652
Carf Jean-François	14514
Chernyavsky Mikhaïl P.	14520*
Fiebig Reinhardt	14650*
Gershinsky Mikhaïlo	14515*,14516*,14584*,14585**,1698*,14580*,14517*
Ivunin Alexei V.	14585**
Jones Christopher J.A.	14581
Jonsson Christer	1692*,14577**,14518*,1727*,14702
Kapros Jorge M.	14577**,1715
Lozek Jozef	14513
Majoros Béla	14703
Pankratiev Alexandre	14515*,14516*,14584*,14585**,1698*,14580*,14519*,14517*
Saletic Slobodan	14651,14653,14654
Söderberg Bo	14699
Vasyuchko Mikola	14582,14583,14520*
Wiehagen Rolf	1692*,14577**,14518*,1727*,14650*

for a total of 31 works.

This is the ranking I propose:

1-2 Pr 14577

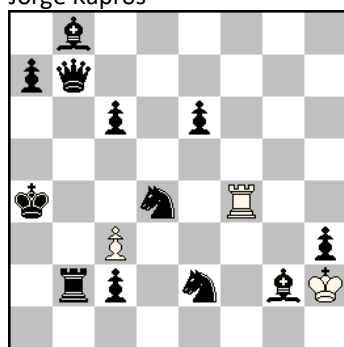
Jorge Kapros, Rolf Wiehagen  
& Christer Jonsson



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1-2 Pr 1715

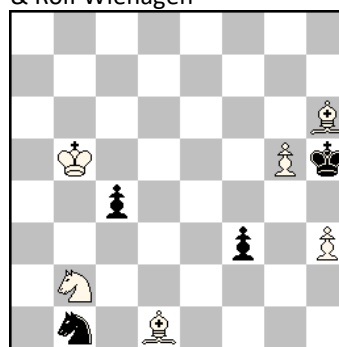
Jorge Kapros



h#3 2 lösn

3 Pr 14518

Christer Jonsson  
& Rolf Wiehagen



h#3 B: sTb1

**1-2 Prize 14577** – Jorge M. Kapros, Rolf Wiehagen, Christer Jonsson

A fantastic miniature with the creation of royal batteries.

1...Ke4 2.Kg2 Bd5 3.Kh1 Kd3#

1...Ke5 2.Kg3 Bd6 3.Kh2 Kf6#

### 1-2 Prize 1715 – Jorge M. Kapros

The move that unpin is specified by the need to free - in advance - a line in the future of the white Rook.

- 1.Sg3 Rf2 2.Rb5 Rxc2 3.Sb3 Ra2#  
1.e5 Rf6 2.Qb3 Rxc6 3.Sb5 Ra6#

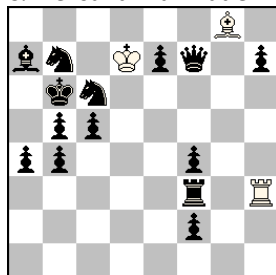
### 3 Prize 14518 – Christer Jonsson, Rolf Wiehagen

Two pawns hinder the journey of a black officer; White sacrifices a piece to pass them, with the consequent Zilahi. I find it intriguing.

- a) 1.Sd2 Bxf3+ 2.Sxf3 Sd3 3.Sh4 Sf4#  
b) 1.Rc1 Sxc4 2.Rxc4 Bb3 3.Rh4 Bf7#

1 HO 14580

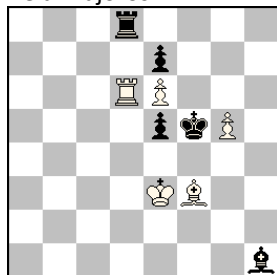
Mikhailo Gersjinskij  
& Aleksandr Pankratiev



h#3 B: Lg8>h6

2 HO 14703

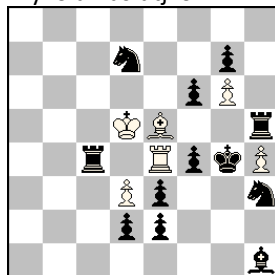
Béla Majoros



h#2,5 B: Be5>g6

3 HO 14583

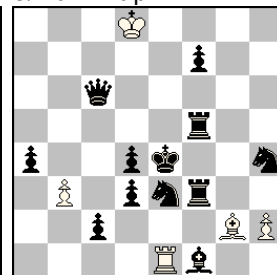
Mykola Vasiutjko



h#3 2 lösn

4 HO 14519

Aleksandr Pankratiev  
& Ivan Antipin



h#3 2 lösn

### 1 Hon. Mention 14580 – Mikhail Gersjinskij & Aleksandr Pankratiev

Zilahi, Bristol; only slight defect is the repetition of axb3.

- a) 1.Qa2 Bb3 2.axb3 Rh6 3.Qa5 Rxc6#  
b) 1.Ra3 Rb3 2.axb3 Bxf4 3.Ra6 Bc7#

### 2nd Hon. Mention 14703 – Béla Majoros

Pleasant dual avoidance. Echo diagonal-orthogonal.

- a) 1...Rd2 (Rd1?) 2.Rd6 Rg2 (Rg1?) 3.Rxe6 Be4#  
b) 1...Bc6 (Bb7?) 2.Bf3 Bd7 (Bc8?) 3.Bg4 Rd5#

### 3rd Hon. Mention 14583 – Mykola Vasyuchko

Initially the two pieces that will give the checkmate (Zilahi) are pinned; beautiful black manœuvre. Kniest.

- 1.Kf3 Rxe3+ 2.Kxe3+ Kxc4 3.Bf3 Bd4#  
1.Kf5 Bxf6 2.Kxf6+ Kd6 3.Rf5 Re6#

### 4th Hon. Mention 14519 – Alexandre Pankratiev, Ivan Antipin

Capture of the black Bishop that controls both squares of checkmate. Black sacrifice followed by white switchback.

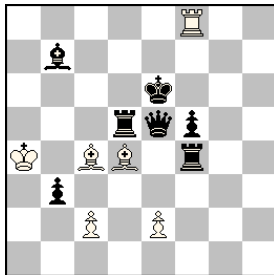
- 1.Re5 Bxf1 2.Rg3 hxg3 3.Shf5 Bg2#  
1.R5f4 Rxf1 2.Sc4 bxc4 3.f5 Re1#

### 5th Hon. Mention 1727 – Rolf Wiehagen, Christer Jonsson

It would have been even more interesting if the 6 black moves were all played by the King.

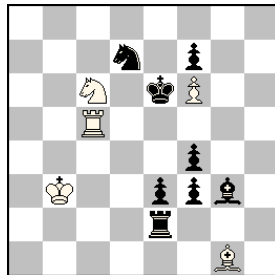
- 1...Bxe5 2.Kxe5 Rf6 3.Rdd4 Re6#  
1...Bxd5+ 2.Kxd5 Rd8+ 3.Kc4 cxb3#  
1...Rxf5 2.Kxf5 c3 3.Ke4 Bd3#

5 HO 1727  
Rolf Wiehagen  
& Christer Jonsson



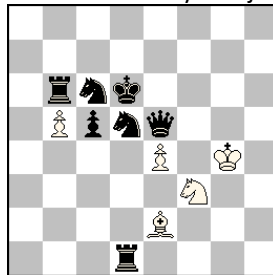
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1 Omn 14702  
Christer Jonsson



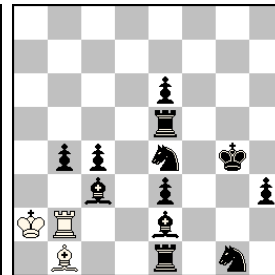
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2 Omn 14520  
Mykola Vasiutjko  
& Mikhail Chernyavskij



h#3 2 lösn

3 Omn 14517  
Mihailo Gersjinskij  
& Aleksandr Pankratiev



h#3 B: Kg4>g3

### 1st Commendation 14702 – Christer Jonsson

White sacrifices to open black lines.

1...Bf2 2.exf2 Se7 3.Re5 Rc6#

1...Bxe3 2.fxe3 Rf5 3.Bd6 Sd4#

### 2nd Commendation 14520 – Mikola Vasyuchko, Mikhail P. Chernyavsky

Chumakov, Kniest, preventive selfblock, model mates.

1.Sc7 bxc6 2.Kxc6 Ba6 3.Rd6 Sxe5#

1.Sd4 exd5 2.Kxd5 Sd2 3.Rd6 Bc4#

### 3rd Commendation 14517 – Mikhaïlo Gershinsky, Alexandre Pankratiev

Tempo move, echo diagonal-orthogonal, double checkmates.

a) 1.Kf5 Rd2 2.Bg4 Rc2 3.Sg5 Rf2#

b) 1.Kg2 Bd3 2.Sg3 Bc2 3.Bf1 Be4#

### 4th Commendation 14581 –

Christopher J.A. Jones

Echo, model mates.

a) 1.e5 Rd7 2.d3 Rxd3 3.Qe6 fxe6#

b) 1.e6 Rxc7 2.Be3 Rc2 3.Kd3 f6#

### Special Commendation 14650 –

Reinhardt Fiebig & Rolf Wiehagen

The solution without promotion is not homogeneous with the other three, pity.

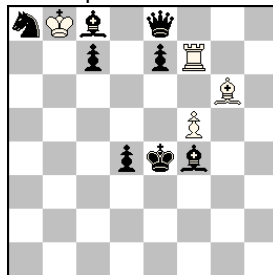
1...Qh1 2.Kg3 a8=Q 3.Qh4 Qaf3#

1...Qf3 2.Qa4 a8=Q 3.Bd8+ Qxd8#

1...Qf8 2.Kh5 a8=Q 3.Kg6 Qae8#

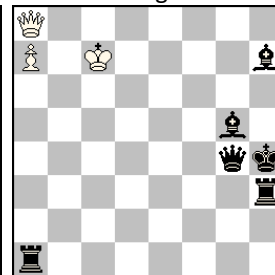
1...Qh8 2.Rg3 Qxa1 3.Kh3 Qh1#

4 Omn 14581  
Christopher Jones



h#3 B: De8>f8

Sp Omn 14650  
Reinhardt Fiebig  
& Rolf Wiehagen



h#2,5 4 lösn

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