

## Dom Springaren Vinter-T 2023

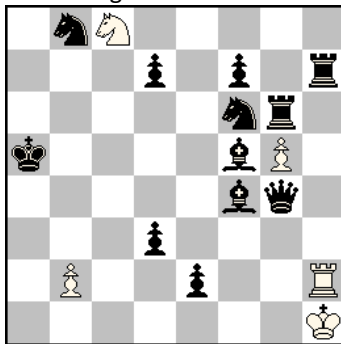
I like to thank Springaren for giving me the chance to make this judgment. I got 71 anonymous problems from Rolf Uppström. The quality of the problems was good, but some of the problems emphasized only the theme (Pelle moves). In these problems the authors were centred too much upon the theme and forgot all other things about problem chess.

I have tried to choose the golden path in the middle. I have looked at the quality, surprising moves and Pelle moves in all problems. When all three appeared with something extra (like echoes, other themes aso.), it was put as a nominee to the award.

Among the problems were many versions of the same problem and I got the feeling that the author couldn't decide which problem he wanted to send to the tourney, so he sent all of them. In this kind of case I can't put more than one problem to the award.

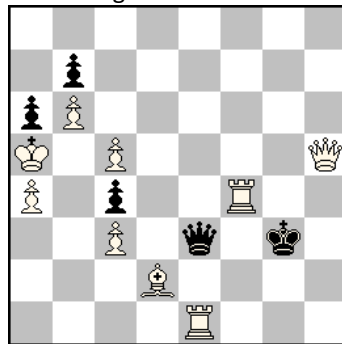
Here is my proposal for the award:

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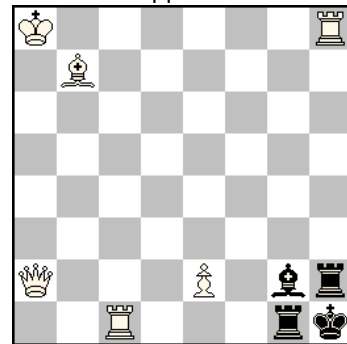
h#3 B-C: Sc8>c7,d8

2 Pr Jorge Lois



hs#4,5 B: De3>f3

3 Pr Rolf Uppström



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### 1 Pris nr 25 – Jorge Lois

Triple echo with model mates. W1 and B3 moves are thematical (pinned piece is moving along the line also known as Pelle move). Bi-valve works also nicely in each solution (BT-WT-BS and BT-WT-BL x2). All this has been achieved in an economical position. Very beautiful problem, well done!

A 1.Ka6 Th6 2.Sh5 b4 3.Tb6 Txb6#

B 1.Dxg5 Th5 2.Lh3 b3 3.Db5 Txb5#

C 1.Ka4 Th4 2.Lh2 Sc6 3.Db4 Txb4#

### 2 Pris nr 26 – Jorge Lois

Horizontal and diagonal echo which are very well in balance. This is the only helpself-mate in the award and in the tourney. Pelle moves can be found from the solutions. This is something that only masters can do. Excellent work, this is like a Swiss watch!

A 1.– Kxf4 2.Dg6 Ke5 3.Tb1 Dxc5+ 4.Tb5 Dd5 5.Tc5 Dxc5#

B 1.– Kf2 2.Lc1 Kxe1 3.La3 Dxc3+ 4.Lb4 Dd2 5.Lc3 Dxc3#

### 3 Pris nr 14 – Rolf Uppström

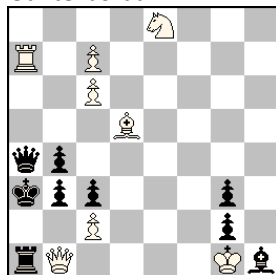
Beautiful key-move. Every reader can find out for themselves why 1.Da1?, 1.Dg8? or 1.Dd5? fail. In this 2-mover we have 19 thematical moves (Pelle moves) in a very airy position. Task.

1.Db2

1.– Tf1/Te1/Td1/Txc1/Lf3/Le4/Ld5/Lc6/Lxb7+/Th3/Th4/Th5/Th6/Th7/Txh8

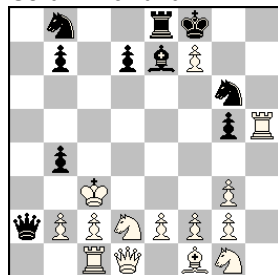
2.Txf1/Txe1/Txd1/Dxc1/Lxf3/Lxe4/Lxd5/Lxc6/Dxb7/Txh3/Txh4/Txh5/Txh6/Txh7/Dxh8#

1 HO  
Gunter Jordan



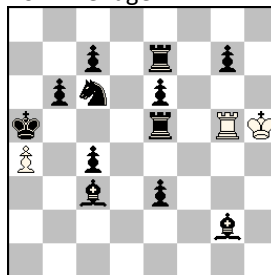
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2 HO  
Göran Wicklund



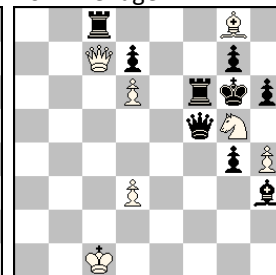
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3 HO Christer Jonsson,  
Jorge Kapros &  
Rolf Wiehagen



h#3 B: -Ba4

4 HO Christer Jonsson,  
Jorge Kapros &  
Rolf Wiehagen



h#2 B: Sg5>h5

### 1 Honourable Mention nr 24 – Gunter Jordan

Good tactical play in this long selfmate. Personally I don't like that Black has only a limited number of moves, mainly queen moves. Still the play is good and white makes a minor promotion.

1.Lxb3 (2.Dc1+ Txc1#)

1.- Ta2 2.Da1 Da5 3.c8=S Da4 4.Sc7 Da5 5.Tb7! D~ 6.Sb5+ Dxb5 7.Txb5 Txa1#

3.- Da6 4.Sc7 Da4 5.Ta6 Da5 6.Sb6 Da4/Dxa6 7.Sxa4/Sxa6 Txa1#

### 2 Honourable Mention nr 22 – Göran Wicklund

In 17 halfmoves there are 3 Pelle moves, so this problem is thematically OK. The only proofgame in the tourney which however doesn't give any wow-factor, otherwise it would be higher in the award, just a standard proofgame. I hope this is sound and it doesn't have any predecessors. It is hard to show Pelle moves in a proofgame, because the problem cooks then easily.

1.d4 c5 2.Ld2 Da5 3.Lb4 Dxa2 4.Kd2 a5 5.Kc3 Ta6 6.Sd2 Tg6 7.Tc1 Tg3+ 8.hxg3 e6 9.Txh7 Ld6 10.Th5 Se7 11.Txc5 0-0 12.Txc8 Te8 13.Tc5 Kf8 14.Th5 g5 15.d5 Sg6 16.dxe6 Le7 17.exf7 axb4+

### 3 Honourable Mention nr 35 – Christer Jonsson, Jorge Kapros & Rolf Wiehagen

Black has to choose the correct unit to unpin wT, so that he can go and make the mate. In the A-form, B1 cuts the black bishop's line to a8, so that the black knight can move and unpin wT. BLc3 and BS are changing roles between the solutions (unpinning/blocking).

A 1.Td5 Tf5 2.Se5 (Le5, e5, g5?) Tf8 3.Lb4 Ta8#

B 1.Tb5 Td5 2.Le5 (Se5, e5, g5?) Td3 3.Sb4 Ta3#

### 4 Honourable Mention nr 34 – Christer Jonsson, Jorge Kapros & Rolf Wiehagen

Pelle moves, Leibovici interference, Holzhausen interference – wow! They are all involving pinned pieces, but I'm not going explain them more, check for yourself. I really like the play in this helpmate in 2. Also there is an exchange of functions (BT/BD - Passive self-block + Interfered / Pinned + Interfering). Complicated position but the authors have made it look easy.

A 1.Txd6 Dc6 2.Tf6 Lf7#, B 1.Dxd3 Dc2 2.Df5 Sf4#

### 5 Honourable Mention nr 19 – Kaj Engström

A complicated idea which has been composed well. Black's second moves are nice and the basis of this problem. It is really a pity that it cannot be done from one initial position.

A 1.exf2+ Dxf2 2.Db6 Dc5#, B 1.Sfxg2 Dxxg2 2.Teg6 Dg3#

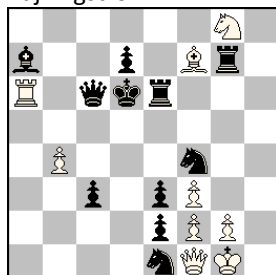
### 1 Commended nr 13 – Indrek Auvner

Best of many of this kind of problems which were sent to the tourney. Mostly in the rest where the moves in a1-h8 -diagonal back and forward. I feel that it is the author who

should choose which problems he is going to send.

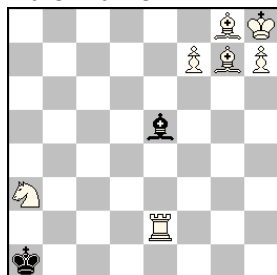
1.Lf6 Lb2,Lc3 2.Th2 Ld4 3.Le5 Lc3 4.Ld4 Lb2 5.Lc3 Ka2 6.f8=D+ Ka1 7.Da8 Lxc3#

5 HO  
Kaj Engström



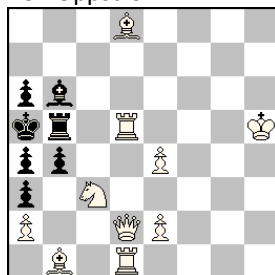
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Indrek Aunver



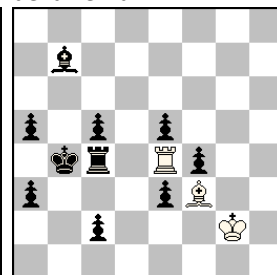
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2 Omn  
Rolf Uppström



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3 Omn Carlos  
de la Fé Dahlin



h#3 3 lösn

## 2 Commended nr 1 – Rolf Uppström

15 Pelle moves, which is quite an achievement in a 2-mover. The position itself is a shame, because there is needed a wTd1 to stop a cook. Otherwise the play is good

1.Tg5 Tc5/Td5/Te5/Tf5/Txg5/Lc7/Ld8/bxc3/b3  
2 Txc5/Txd5/Txe5/Txf5/Dxg5/Lxc7/Dxd8/Dxc3/Sxb5#

## 3 Commended nr 37 – Carlos de la Fé Dahlin

Three nice solutions. Very basic mates. White pieces don't have much space to move. It would be nice if white's first moves could be made without black pawns.

1.a4 Txe5 2.Tc3 Lc6 3.c4 Tb5#  
1.Ka4 Txf4 2.Tb4 Le4 3.Tb3 Lc6#  
1.Kb5 Txe3 2.Ta4 Ld5 3.Kb4 Tb3#

## 4 Commended nr 18 – Kaj Engström

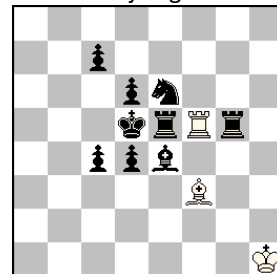
Pin mates horizontally and diagonally. Also here White doesn't have many moves to make although the play is good.

1.c6 Txg5 2.Tf5 Txf5#, 1.c5 Lg2 2.Lf3 Lxf3#

In Hyvinkää  
26.11.2023

Kenneth Solja  
International Judge for Chess Compositions

4 Omn Kaj Engström



h#2 2 lösn

# Dom Springaren Sommar-T 2023

This year's Summer Tourney offered slim pickings: 16 entries from 9 authors, but the number of eligible problems was in effect smaller, since several of them were alternative versions of the same idea. Further exclusion of some problems that only superficially met the tourney criteria—that is, the pins were partly irrelevant to the solution, or “weasles”, as we say—meant that the award will be short and sweet.

I have awarded one Prize, two Honourable Mentions and four Mentions, as follows: