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# BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP TRIUMPH



## British Junior Championships 2009

**I**n 2009 we returned to the seaside and the roomy setting of the Riviera Centre. Despite the magnificence of St. George's Hall there is no doubt that the Juniors prefer the seaside and they turned out in greater numbers than since our last visit to Scarborough. A grand total of

239 played in Junior events over the fortnight. We kept to the usual timetable and thus had the U16s, U13s and U11s on the first week. The U16s was FIDE-rated and this attracted a total of 36 entries of which half had ratings. The competition was very fierce and by the end of round 4 there were no players on maximum score. Martin Brown, Akash Jain and Victor

Jones were all on 3½ and Akash played Victor, whilst Martin floated down to play James Foster. Akash came out on top to become sole leader whilst Martin was held to a draw by James.

The round six pairings saw Ilya Iyenger playing Akash whilst Martin again floated down to play Victor. Four of the top five games were drawn with only William Jones winning. This left Akash (5) v William (4½) and Martin(4½) v Ilya(4½) on the top boards Saturday morning.

Apart from the two girls, there were no quick finishes; Sheila and Abigail drew which gave Sheila the under 16 girls and Abigail the under 15 girls. The top boards fought on with Martin getting the better of Ilya but William unable to beat down Akash's defences. This left Martin as under 16 champion and Akash as under 15 champion, whilst James Foster, William Jones and Richard Weaving were half a point behind.

The Under 14s, as the Under 13s, had Felix in it but he was not quite so dominant as in the 13s being held to a draw by Evie Hollingworth and Megan Owens although by round five he held a half point lead. In round six he played second seed Victor Jones and won leaving him on 5 points, half a point ahead of Gordon Scott (whom he played in the last round) and James Holland. On four was Evie Hollingworth who was leading the girls, half a point ahead of Megan Owens. James dropped down to play Roy Zhang whilst Evie played Isaac Craft. She lost giving Megan the chance to overhaul her if she could beat Peter Gerlagh. She took her chance and claimed the girls' trophy.

Wins by James and Isaac gave them second and third places respectively.

The Under 13s were dominated by Felix Ynojosa. He had 4/4 but, being in the British, had to take a bye in round five. His nearest rival, Maria Wang, could only draw with Marcus Harvey whilst Felix Haxby was the only player on 3 to record a win. This left the round six pairings as Felix Ynojosa v Maria and Marcus v Felix Haxby. Two white wins ensured Felix of at least a share of the title whilst Daniel Noel joined Marcus on 4½. In the final round Daniel had white against Felix and Nathan Taylor floated up to play Marcus. The top girls, Maria and Radha Jain were also on four and played for the girls' title. A short draw saw Felix clinch the title but in the last under 13 game to finish Nathan defeated Marcus to share second place with Daniel. Meanwhile, a fighting draw between the girls ensured a split title.

The Under 12s was a tight competition (as all U12 events have been this year) and at the end of round three Adam Taylor was the only player on 100%. He drew his next three games against Radha Jain, Joseph Levene, and Ram Mohan whilst, in round six Radha beat Joseph thus taking a half point lead in to the final round where she had a full point down float against Peter Batchelor. Adam, on 4½, down floated to play Tarun Malhotra who was one of 7 players on 4 points. Radha and Peter drew fairly quickly thus guaranteeing Radha at least a share of the title. Adam's was the last junior game to finish and he was mightily relieved to come away with a win thus

sharing the title with Radha. Peter Andreev and Nicholas Clanchy were third equal.

In the Under 11 section the top seed, Peter Andreev, lost in the first round and was then playing catch up. However, by the end of round five there was a sole leader in Tarun Malhotra (4½) and he played Peter Andreev. In one game I managed to see a bit of Tarun played a very good ending and he won thus maintaining a half point lead going in to the final round. Robert Fitzgerald was his opponent and, although he fought hard Tarun held out for a draw to become the deserved winner. Robert shared second place with Anna Wang who also took the girls' title.

The Under 10 section had our one casualty of the fortnight when a player got chicken pox although a heartless arbiter might comment that this made us even!! After three rounds Matthew Wadsworth was our only player on 3 and he drew in round four with Raphael Kalid. Both players won in round five and in round six Matthew played Joris Gerlagh whilst Raphael played Yasmin Giles. Yasmin defeated Raphael and Joris defeated Matthew which left 5 players on 4½. Matthew played Anna, Yasmin played William whilst Joris floated down to play Jordan Lewis. In the first game to finish William defeated Yasmin whilst Jordan overcame Joris. Matthew won a very long game against Anna to share the title with William leaving Anna and Yasmin to share the girls' title.

The Under 9s was held over the weekend and attracted 34 players. and after

3 rounds we only had Kai Pannwitz and Rohan Shiatis on 3/3. Rohan came out on top and in the in the following round played William Claridge-Hansen who was half a point below. They drew and both won in round six. This left the round seven draw as Daniel Muir (4½) v Rohan (5½) and Kai Pannwitz (4) v William (5). Again the top two both won leaving Rohan champion and William runner up. It was nice to see a local girl, Nandaja Narayanan taking the girls' title.

The Under 8s took place on the Friday and there was only one player, Edward Stevenson, on 3/3. He drew in round four and was joined on 3½ by Ryan Au. Their round five game ended in a win for Ryan who was thus sole leader on 4½ with Kai Pannwitz, Theo Slade and Declan Shafi half a point behind. In the final round wins for Ryam and Theo saw them take the first two places whilst Gautam Jain was third and Imogen Turvey-Cross took the girls' title.

*Peter Purland*

**Note:** Most photos this issue are placed at random and may not involve the events they are placed in.

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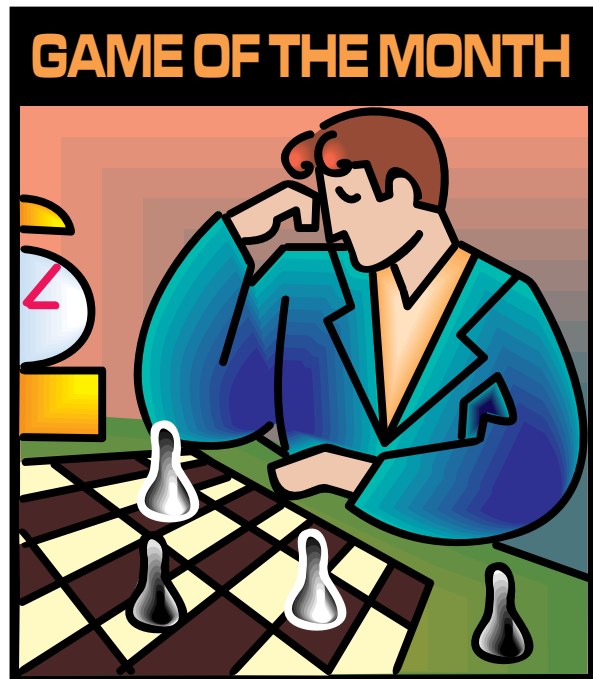


## EDITOR'S FOREWORD AND BASIC ADVICE

by Andrew Martin  
International Master

Welcome to *The Right Move*, where we concentrate predominantly on a pictorial report from this year's British Championship. As ever, the event was a huge success, with nearly 1000 participants. Remember that this is your magazine. Don't hesitate to send in games, reports, photographs or news of junior chess. We want to give you publicity and support!

*Andrew*



**GM Howell DWL 2614 - IM Palliser RJD 2413**

[D00]

British Chess Championships Riviera  
International Conference, Aug. 2009

**1.d4 ♘f6 2.♙g5 d5 3.♙xf6 gxf6  
4.e3 c5 5.dxc5 e6**

5...e5 is rather more dynamic, but in this precise position White can play 6.♘c3 ♙e6 7.♚f3! ♙xc5 (Black may have to try his luck with 7...♘c6 8.0-0-0 ♚a5 9.♚xf6 ♖g8) 8.0-0-0±

**6.♘d2 ♙xc5**

6...♚a5 7.g3 ♙g7 8.c3 ♚xc5 9.e4 dxe4 10.♘xe4 ♚e5 11.♙g2 0-0 12.♚e2 f5 13.♘d2 ♘d7 14.♘c4 ♚c7 15.♖d1 ♘c5 16.♘f3 ♙d7 17.♘ce5 ♙a4 18.♖d4 ♖fd8 19.0-0 ♖xd4 20.cxd4 ♘e4 21.b3 ♘c3 22.♚b2 ♙b5 23.♘c4 ♘e4 24.♘fe5 ♖d8 25.♖c1 ♚e7 26.♚e2 ♖xd4 27.♚e3 ♚d8 28.♙xe4 ♖xe4 29.♚c5 ♙xc4 30.♘xc4 ♙d4 31.♚a3 ♖e2 32.♘d6 ♙b2 0-1

**Brodowski, P (2424)–Tomczak, J (2451)/  
Ustron 2008.**

**7.g3**

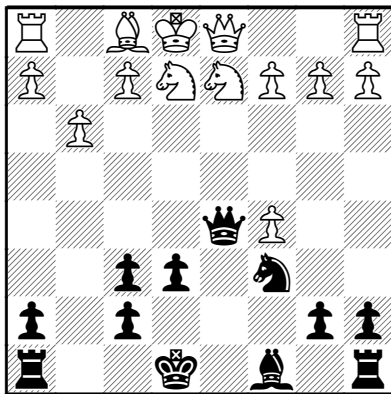


7. ♖h5 f5 8. ♗gf3 ♕f6 9. 0-0-0 ♘c6  
 10. ♕g5 ♘e7 11. ♖xf6 ♘xf6 12. ♗b3 b6  
 13. ♘b5 ♘b7 14. ♗fd4 ♖c8 15. ♘xc6+  
 ♘xc6 16. ♗xc6 ♖xc6 17. ♗d4 ♖c5 18. f4  
 ♖g8 19. g3 ♗e7 20. c3 ♖c4 21. ♗d2 a6  
 22. ♖c1 h5 23. ♖hg1 ♗d6 24. ♗d3 ♖c7  
 25. ♗d2 ♖cc8 26. ♖g2 b5 27. a3 ♖c7  
 28. ♗d3 ♖gc8 29. ♖cc2 ♖h8 30. ♖g1  
 ♖cc8 31. h3 ♖h6 32. ♖cg2 ♖g8 33. ♗e2  
 ♖hg6 34. ♗f3 ♗c5 35. ♗b3+ ♗b6  
 36. ♗d4 a5 37. ♖c1 ♖c8 38. ♖gc2 ♖gg8  
 39. b4 ♘xd4 40. exd4 axb4 41. cxb4 ♖c4  
 42. ♖xc4 dxc4 43. ♖c3 ♗c6 44. g4 hxg4+  
 45. hxg4 ♖xg4 46. ♖e3 ♖h4 47. ♖e5  
 ♖h3+ 48. ♗e2 ♖d3 49. ♖c5+ ♗b6 50. a4  
 bxa4 51. ♖xc4 ♖b3 52. ♗d2 a3 53. ♗c2  
 a2 0-1 Hoang, T (2199)–Lengyel, B (2276)/Budapest 2005.

7... ♗c6 8. ♗e2 d4

8... ♖b6 9. ♗b3 ♘d6 10. ♘g2 (10. ♗ed4  
 ♘d7?) 10... ♗e5!?

9. exd4 ♖d5 10. dxc5!



Plunging the game into difficult complications.

10. ♖g1 ♗xd4 11. ♘g2 ♖e5 12. c3 ♗c6  
 13. ♗c4 ♖c7 is much less interesting.

10... ♖xh1 11. ♗c3 ♖xh2

More to stop Qh5 than anything else.  
 12. ♗de4 0-0

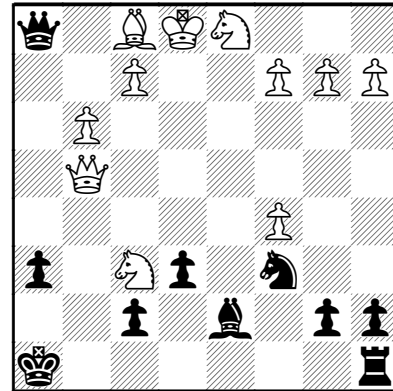
12...f5 was a definite alternative, allowing Nd6+: 13. ♗d6+ (13. ♗b5 fxe4  
 14. ♗c7+ ♗f8 15. ♗xa8 e3! 16. ♖f3 ♗d4

17. ♖f6 ♖xf2+ 18. ♖xf2 exf2+ 19. ♗xf2  
 ♗xc2 20. ♖c1 ♗d4∞) 13... ♗f8 14. ♖f3  
 (14. ♖d2 h5 15. 0-0-0 h4?) 14... ♖h6∞

13. ♖d2! ♖d8 14. ♗xf6+ ♗h8

14... ♗f8? 15. ♖g5→

15. ♖g5 h6 16. ♖g4 ♖h1! 17. ♖d1  
 ♖xd1+ 18. ♗xd1 ♘d7!



An excellent retort which should lead to a draw. Unfortunately, both players were getting short of time and in this bewildering position, Black makes the last mistake.

19. ♗e3

19. ♗xd7 ♖d8 20. ♗f6 ♗e5 21. ♖h5!  
 ♗f3+ 22. ♗e2 ♖xh5 23. ♗xh5 ♗g1+  
 24. ♗e1 ♗f3+=

19... ♗e5 20. ♖f4 ♗f3+ 21. ♗e2 ♖d8

Understandable, but 21...Bb5+ was correct: 21... ♘b5+ 22. c4 ♘c6 23. ♗fg4  
 f5 24. ♗e5 ♖d8! 25. ♗xf3 (25. ♗f7+? ♗g8  
 26. ♗xd8 e5-+) 25... ♘xf3+ 26. ♗e1 ♗g8  
 27. ♖e5 ♗f7 28. ♖c7+ ♗e8 29. ♖e5 ♗f7=  
 Easy with Rybka at your side.

22. ♘g2 ♗g1+?

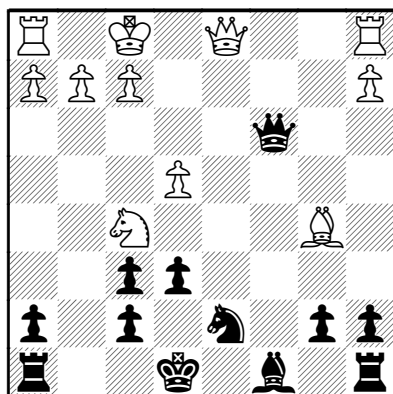
22...e5! 23. ♘xh1 (23. ♘xf3 exf4  
 24. ♘xh1 fxe3) 23...exf4 24. ♘xf3 fxe3  
 25. ♘xb7 (25. ♗xd7 ♖xd7 26. ♗xe3 ♖c7  
 27. b4 ♗g7 28. ♗d4 ♗f6 29. b5∞) 25...exf2  
 26. ♗xf2 ♘c8 27. ♘d5∞  
 23. ♗f1 ♖h2 24. ♗fg4 1-0

**IM Palliser RJD 2413 (7) - GM Wells PK 2498**

[D39]

British Championship, Aug. 2009

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♘f3 d5 4.♘c3 dxc4 5.e4 ♙b4 6.♙g5 c5 7.♙xc4 cxd4 8.♘xd4 ♙xc3+ 9.bxc3 ♖a5 10.♙b5+ ♘bd7 11.♙xf6 ♖xc3+ 12.♙f1 gxf6 13.♘f5!?



A move which certainly caught Wells by surprise. But what happens if the Knight is captured?

**13...♖e5**

13...♙f8 14.♖c1 ♖a3 15.♘d6 ♘e5 16.♙xc8+ ♙xc8 17.♘xc8 a6 18.h4 ♖c5 19.♖d6+ ♖xd6 20.♘xd6 ♙e7 21.f4 ♘g6 22.♘xb7 axb5 23.g3 ♖b8 24.♘c5 ♖c8 25.♘d3 ♖c2 26.a3 ♖a2 27.♘c1 ♖c2 28.♘e2 e5 29.f5 ♘f8 30.♙f2 ♖b2 31.♖c1 ♘d7 32.♙e3 ♙d6 33.♖d1+ ♙c6 34.♘c3 ♖b3 35.♖c1 ♘c5 36.♙e2 ♖xa3 37.♘d5 ♖xg3 38.♘xf6 b4 39.♘xh7 b3 40.♘f6 ♙b5 41.h5 b2 42.♖b1 ♘a4 43.♙f2 ♖c3 44.h6 ♖c2+ 45.♙f3 ♖c1 46.h7 ♖xb1 0-1 Zueger,B (2415)–Hoelzl,F (2385)/Graz 1993;

13...♖c5 14.♘d6+ ♙e7 15.♘xc8+ ♖xc8 16.♖c1 ♘c5 17.h4 (17.♖h5 e5 18.f4 ♖c7 19.fxe5 ♖b6 20.♙c4 ♖hf8 21.exf6+ ♖xf6+ 22.♙e1 ♖ac8 23.♖f1 ♘d3+ 24.♙d2 ♘f4 25.♖b5 ♖d4+ 26.♙d3 ♖xc1 27.♖xc1 ♘xd3

28.♖c7+ ♙d8 29.♖c4 0-1 Danielian,O (2450)–Kosyrev,V (2405)/Moscow 1998)

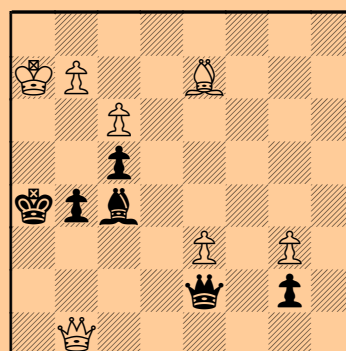
17...♖c7 18.♖h3 b6 19.♖a3 ♖hd8 20.♖f3 a6 21.♙e2 ♖e5 22.♙g1 ♖d4 23.♖c3 ♖ad8 24.♙f3 ♖d2 25.♖xe5 fxe5 26.♖b1 ♖8d6 27.♙f1 ♖c2 28.♙d1 ♖c4 29.f3 b5 30.♙e2 ♖c2 31.♙d1 ♖cd2 32.♙e2 ♙d7 33.♙e1 ♖c2 34.♖d1 ♙c6 35.g3 ♖d4 36.♙d3 ♖h2 37.♖c1 ♖xd3 38.♖xc5+ ♙xc5 39.♖xd3 ♖xa2 40.♖d7 b4 41.♙d1 b3 42.♙c1 a5 43.♖xf7 a4 44.♙b1 ♖g2 45.♖b7 ♙c4 0-1 Lomineishvili,M (2376)–Gyimesi,Z (2539)/Germany 2001;

13...exf5 14.♖c1 ♖e5 15.♖xc8+ ♖xc8 16.♖xd7+ ♙f8 17.♖xc8+ ♙g7 It looks like a draw by perpetual: 18.♖xf5! ♖a1+ 19.♙e2 ♖xh1 20.♖g4+ ♙f8 (20...♙h6 21.♖h4+=) 21.♖c8+= Thus the whole variation has practical drawbacks. Naturally, Wells is keen to win too, so he avoids this line and takes a risk.

**14.♘d6+ ♙f8 15.g3! ♘c5?**

15...♙e7 16.♘xc8+ ♖hxc8 17.♖xd7+ ♙f8 18.♖d1 ♖xe4 19.♖g1 ♖d8 20.♖xd8+ ♖xd8 21.♖xd8+ ♙e7 22.♖d7+ ♙f8 23.♙e2 ♖c6 Zueger,B (2425)–Costa,J

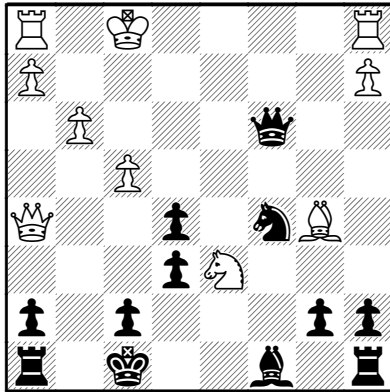
**PUZZLE FOR OCTOBER  
Uhlmann—Clarke, 1959**



White to play and win.

(2405)/Bern 1991 when 24.♖d1 e5 25.g4 b5 26.♙d3 e4 27.♙e2 a5 28.♖g3 starts to look very good for White.

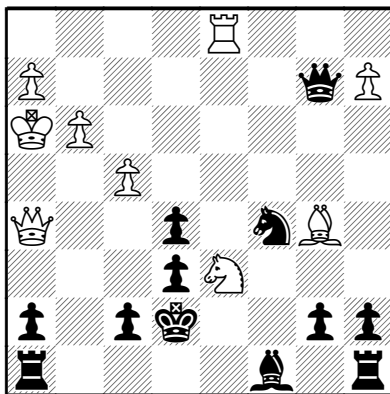
**16.f4 ♖c3 17.e5! fxe5 18.♙h5!!**



A superb move, which coupled with Black's already acute time shortage sends Wells over the edge.

**18...♙xa1+ 19.♙g2 ♖b2+**

**19...♙xa2+ 20.♙h3 ♙e7 21.♖d1! ♙d8 22.♙xe5 ♖g8 23.♙xc5+- 20.♙h3 ♙e7 21.♖d1**



Simple chess. Palliser brings his final piece into the attack and Black's position falls apart.

**21...♙d7 22.♙g5+ f6 23.♙g7+ ♙d8 24.♙xh8+ ♙c7 25.♙xa8 exf4**

**25...♙xb5 26.♙xb5+ ♙b6 27.♙xa7! ♙e2 28.♖d6+ ♙a5 29.♙c6+ ♙b5 30.♙a5+ ♙c4 31.♙b4# 26.♙xd7 1-0**

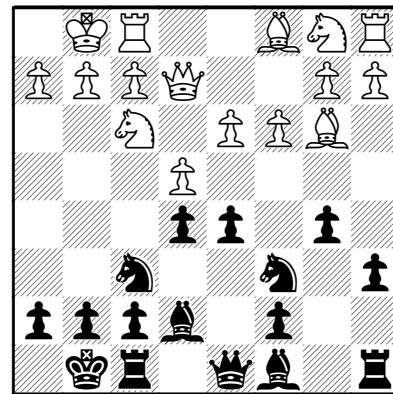
A spectacular game!

**Briscoe,C (2268) - Hebden,M (2468)**

[C86]

9th ch-GBR Torquay ENG (1), Jul. .2009

**1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 a6 4.♙a4 ♘f6 5.0-0 ♙e7 6.♙e2 b5 7.♙b3 0-0 8.c3 d5 9.exd5!? 9.d3!**



is certainly the move that the top players prefer. If the position opens up immediately the white Queen may find herself misplaced. However, this is one of those lines where a bit of serious work with a playing engine might pay dividends for White, so what has Briscoe got prepared? Recent games with 9.d3 do not show any appreciable advantage for White: 9...♙b7 (9...♖e8 10.♘bd2 (10.♙g5 ♙e6 11.♘bd2 h6 12.♙xf6 ♙xf6 13.♖ad1 g6 14.♖fe1 ♘a5 15.♙xd5 ♙xd5 16.exd5 ♙xd5 17.♙e4 ♙g7 18.b4 ♘b7 19.♙c2 ♘d6 20.a4 ♙c6 21.♘c5 bxa4 22.♙xa4 ♙xa4 23.♘xa4 a5 24.♖b1 axb4 25.♖xb4 e4 26.dxe4 c5 27.♖b6 ♘c4 0-1 Bonnaire,U-Adams,M (2750)/Mainz 2001) 10...♙f8 11.a3 h6 12.♖d1 ♙e6 13.♘f1 ♙c8 14.♙c2 ♙b7 15.♘g3 ♖ad8 16.♙e3 ♘g4 17.d4 exd4 18.cxd4 dxe4 19.♙xe4 ♘f6 20.♙xc6 ♙xc6 21.♖ac1

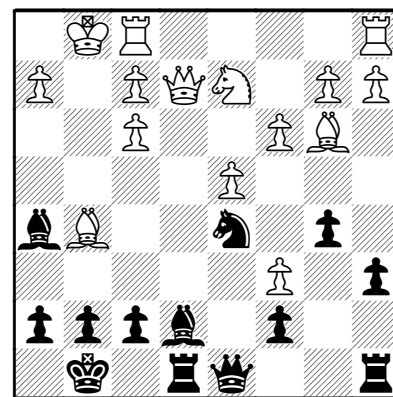
**♖b7 22. ♖c2 ♕d6 23. ♗e5 c5 24. ♗f5 ♕xf5**  
**25. ♖xf5 ♖d5 26. ♖b1 c4 27. ♗f3 ♖e4**  
**28. h3 ♖de8 29. ♖c2 ♕b8 30. ♖e1 ♗h5**  
**31. ♕d2 ♖xe1+ 32. ♖xe1 ♖xe1+ 33. ♕xe1**  
**♗f4 34. ♖d1 ♖e4 35. ♖f1 ♕d6 36. ♕c3**  
**♕c7 37. a4 ♕d6 38. axb5 axb5 39. ♖e1**  
**♖g6 40. ♗h4 ♖d3+ 41. ♖g1 ♗e2+ 42. ♖h1**  
**b4 0-1 Grover, S (2234)–Hossain, E (2531)/Dubai 2009**  
**10. ♖e1 ♖e8 11. ♗bd2 ♕f8 12. a3 ♖d7**  
**13. ♕a2 h6 14. exd5 ♗xd5 15. ♗e4 ♖h8**  
**16. ♗fg5 ♗d8 17. ♗f3 ♗c6 18. ♗fg5 f5**  
**19. ♖h5 fxe4 20. dxe4 ♗f6 21. ♗f7+ ♖h7**  
**22. ♗g5+ ♖h8 23. ♗f7+ ♖h7 24. ♗g5+ ♖h8**  
**25. ♗f7+ 1/2-1/2 Paetz, E (2474)–Yemelin, V (2588)/Berlin 2009.**  
**9... ♕g4! 10. dxc6 e4 11. d4 exf3 12. gxf3 ♕h5**  
**13. ♕g5**

**13. ♕f4!** seems more sensible and the Bishop can cover the King on g3 or block the e file on e5: **13... ♖e8 (13... ♕d6 14. ♕g3 ♖e8 15. ♖d3±) 14. ♕g3 (14. ♕e5 ♕d6 15. ♗d2 ♕xe5 16. dxe5 ♗d5 17. ♗e4 ♗f4 18. ♖e3 ♖h4 19. ♗g3 g5 20. ♗xh5 ♖xh5 21. e6 ♖h3 22. exf7+ ♖g7 23. ♖d4+ ♖e5 24. ♖xe5+ ♖g6 25. ♖xf4 gxf4 26. ♖fe1 ♖f8 27. ♖e7 ♖xf3 Foltys, J–Keres, P/Salzburg 1943/HCL/1/2-1/2) 14... ♖c8 15. ♖d1 ♗e4 16. ♗d2 ♗g5 17. ♖e1 ♕d6 18. ♖xe8+ ♖xe8 19. d5 f5 20. h4 ♗xf3+ 21. ♗xf3 f4 22. ♖d3 ♕g6 23. ♖d4 fxc3 24. fxc3 ♖c8 25. ♗g5 ♖f5 26. ♖f1 ♖d3 27. ♖xd3 ♕xd3 28. ♖f3 ♕e2 29. ♖f2 ♕c5 30. d6+ ♕c4 31. ♕xc4+ bxc4 32. d7 ♖f8 33. ♗e6 ♖xf2 34. ♗xc5 1-0 Panov, V–Zagorovsky, V/Kiev 1950.**

**13... ♖e8!**  
 Pointing out that the White Queen stands badly. [**13... ♖d6 14. ♗d2 ♖ae8 15. ♖e5 ♖xe5 16. dxe5 ♗d5 17. ♕xe7 ♗xe7 18. ♖fe1 ♗xc6 19. f4± Klompus, G–Ciprian, J/corr 1965/Corr 2000; 13... ♕d6**

**14. ♗d2 ♖c8 15. ♕xf6 gxf6 16. ♗e4 ♖h3 17. ♗g3 ♖fe8 18. ♖d3 ♕g6 19. ♖d2 f5 20. f4 ♖h4 21. ♖ae1 ♕xf4 22. ♖d1 ♕d6 23. ♖xe8+ ♖xe8 24. ♖e1 ♖xe1+ 25. ♖xe1 f4 26. ♖e8+ ♕f8 27. ♗e4 f3 28. ♕d5 ♖g4+ 29. ♗g3 h5 30. ♖d7 ♖f4 31. h4 ♕d6 32. ♖d8+ ♖g7 33. ♖g5 ♖xg5 34. hxg5 ♕f4 35. ♕xf3 ♕xg5 36. ♕xh5 ♕d3 37. ♕e2 ♕g6 38. ♕h5 ♕b1 39. ♗e2 ♕xa2 40. f4 ♕e7 41. ♖f2 b4 42. ♗c1 ♕d5 43. ♕f3 bxc3 44. bxc3 ♕c4 45. ♕e2 ♕a3 46. ♕xc4 ♕xc1 47. ♕xa6 ♕xf4 48. ♖f3 ♕h2 49. ♖e4 ♖f6 50. ♕c8 ♖e7 51. ♕d7 ♖d8 52. ♖d5 ♕g3 53. ♖c4 ♕h2 54. ♖b5 ♕g3 55. c4 ♕h2 56. ♕g4 ♕g3 57. ♕h5 f6 58. ♕g4 ♕h2 59. ♖c5 ♕g3 60. ♖d5 ♖e7 1/2-1/2 Fiacan, R (2174)–Nemec, A (2093)/Slovakia 2002.**

**14. ♗d2 ♗d5**



Despite best attempts by White to develop his pieces quickly, he has problems with the f4-square and his exposed Queen.

**15. ♕xe7 ♖xe7 16. ♖d3**  
**16. ♖d1 ♗f4 17. ♖h1 ♖e2** comes to much the same fate.  
**16... ♕g6 17. ♗e4 ♗f4+ 18. ♖d2 ♖xe4 19. ♖h1 ♖g5 20. ♖g1 ♖f6 21. ♖g4 h5 22. fxe4 ♕xe4+ 0-1**

A brief game, but entertaining and instructive at the same time.



# Briant Poulter League 2008 - 9

The Briant Poulter is, we think, the largest secondary school league in England, and schools from all parts of Surrey are represented. Players range from some of the best young players in the country to those who have only recently learnt to play chess. Matches are played on Friday evenings between teams of 6 players, with sessions being 2½ hours long.

The season started with the Russell Jamboree held for the first time at Wilson's School in Wallington. This was won by last year's League champions Hampton ahead of Wilson's and Whitgift. League newcomers Reigate Grammar won the plate section and of Kingston Grammar and Sutton Grammar.

The Division 1 winners for 2008-9 were RGS Guildford who always looked like winning after starting by winning their first 5 fixtures, their only defeat came in their last match of the season. Wilson's in their second season in the top division performed strongly and came a clear second. Last year's champions Hampton, who had lost some key players, started well but faded towards the end of the season to finish below Whitgift.



2008/9	Division 1	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points	Games
1	Guildford RGS A	10	8	1	1	17	41
2	Wilson's A	10	7	1	2	15	36
3	Whitgift A	9	4	1	4	9	31½
4	Hampton A	8	3	1	4	7	22
5	Caterham	9	2	0	7	4	19½
6	Tiffin A	8	1	0	7	2	12

Division 2 was very close throughout this season and went to the very last match. Sutton Grammar, Trinity and Reigate Grammar battled all season with first Reigate and then Trinity leading before Sutton won at the very end.



2008/9	Division 2	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points	Games
1	Sutton A	10	7	2	1	16	41½
2	Trinity A	10	7	1	2	15	34½
3	Reigate GS A	10	5	3	2	13	36½
4	Kingston GS A	8	1	2	5	4	19
5	Hampton B	9	0	3	6	3	17½
6	Whitgift B	7	1	1	5	3	13

Division 3 was also very close, with there being only a few points between the leading teams for much of the season. However Wilson's B pulled away at the end to claim the title, ahead of Trinity B and KCS Wimbledon.



2008/9	Division 3	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points	Games
1	Wilson's B	10	8	1	1	17	37
2	Trinity B	10	6	3	1	15	36
3	Wimbledon KCS A	10	6	1	3	13	37
4	Wallington	10	3	1	6	7	24½
5	Emanuel	10	2	1	7	5	24½
6	George Abbot	10	1	1	8	3	21

Division 4 was won by the only unbeaten team in the whole league, RGS Guildford B. a resurgent Sutton B team came second ahead of last season's champions Homefield (staying down as they lost all their top players).



2008/9	Division 4	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points	Games
1	Guildford RGS B	9	8	1	0	17	44
2	Sutton B	9	7	1	1	15	41½
3	Homefield	9	6	1	2	13	36½
4	Trinity C	9	5	1	3	11	32
5	Tiffin B	9	4	1	4	9	27½
6	Whitgift C	9	4	0	5	8	23½
7	Wimbledon KCS B	9	3	1	5	7	25
8	Hampton C	9	3	1	5	7	20
9	John Fisher	9	1	0	8	2	11½
10	Claremont	9	0	1	8	1	8½

The new Division 5 was the closest of them all, with 3 teams coming equal on match points. Trinity D won ahead of Sutton C and Wilson's C on game points. This pilot was a great success and the division will continue next season.



2008/9	Division 5	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points	Games
1	Trinity D	4	3	0	1	6	31½
2	Sutton C	4	3	0	1	6	29½
3	Wilson's C	4	3	0	1	6	26½
4	Reigate GS B	4	1	0	3	2	16½
5	Kingston GS B	4	0	0	4	0	16

For the coming season, in Divisions 1 to 3 teams will play one long play game at home and one away, whilst in Divisions 4 and 5 they will have a single fixture and play two rapidplay games on

one evening.

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## SOUTHERN COUNTIES' CHESS UNION

### U18 Jamboree at Wilson's School, Wallington Sunday 29th March 2009

This year the SCCU U18 Jamboree was arranged to take place concurrently with the SCCU inter-county Jamborees (U180 and U135). The events took place at either end of Wilson's School 6th form block. This meant that the bookstall run by CCF Mindgames and the refreshment team had double the custom they otherwise would have had.

As in the previous two seasons the U18 jamboree included both an Open event and a Minor tournament. Play was over 2 rounds, with 65 minutes each on the clock, with a short gap between the

rounds. (The adult event was over just 1 round, hence the need to be in different playing rooms.)

In the Open it was good to have an increase from two to four teams taking part in this year's event, from Bucks, Kent, Sussex and Surrey. The first round saw Surrey take a lead with 6½/8, followed by Sussex on 5, Kent on 3 and Bucks on 1½. The second round was much closer, giving a better reflection on the strengths of the teams, with Sussex again scoring 5/8, Kent and Surrey each scored 4½ and Bucks 2. So over the two rounds Surrey



won with 11 ½ and Sussex were second with 10.

The U18 minor event is aimed at encouraging those at secondary school age who might not otherwise have an opportunity to represent their county, and therefore has a lower age limit of 11. For the third year running the definition of 'minor' was tweaked, to mainly being an average grade of below 90 (similar to this year's ECF U18 county championships). Interestingly only 1 player exceeded last year's grade limit of 100.

Six teams entered this 6 board event, with two from both Surrey and CCF, one each from Kent and Sussex. The Surrey A team stormed to success, scoring a perfect 12/12. Second were CCF A with 7½ and third were Surrey B with 6/12.

Full details of both U18 events can be found on the SCCU website at [www.sccu.ndo.co.uk/junjam.htm](http://www.sccu.ndo.co.uk/junjam.htm).

In the parallel adult events Surrey won the U180 Jamboree but Herts broke the host counties' monopoly by winning the

U135 event. With the opportunity offered by the arrangement of the fixtures at the same place and time, one family had members playing in both events!

It is hoped to run the U18 and adult Jamborees in parallel again next year, close to the end of March, at the same venue. The U18 Open event is open to any county, not just SCCU members. As an indication of the strength of the teams, most players in the Open were graded between 80 and 150). The U18 Minor is open to any junior team (clubs and schools can enter as well as counties) of the right ages (11 to 19) and grades (which will depend on the new grades, this year most players were graded between 50 and 90).

If you would like more information then please contact the SCCU Junior Organiser: Neill Cooper [nsc@cplusc.co.uk](mailto:nsc@cplusc.co.uk) or 01883 624051. Details of the 2010 event will be sent out later in the year to anyone interested.

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# 10th Godalming Open Chess Tournament 2009

Over 50 players from the south east competed in this years tournament. There were adults and juniors in the Under 100 grade section and three age group sections for the juniors.

The Rapid play grades from last year were used in the U.100 section so there were a number of players who were well over 100 with the recent changes. Cash prizes were given to the top 5 players in this highly competitive section. The prize winners were as follows;

1st Jack Bancroft (Magdalen College School) 4½/5

2nd=Daniel D'Souza Eva and Cameron Hill (MCS) 4/5

4th= Patrick McKenna (MCS) and Neil Deo (Twickenham Prep) 3½/5

The age group trophy winners were as follows;

U.11 section

1st Prashast Vir (Homefield)4½/5

2nd Richard Woods-Rogan (MCS)3½/5

3rd= Alex Anderton (MCS) and James Li (Yateley Manor)3/5



U.10 section  
1st =Michael Banh (Homefield)and  
Gwilym Price (Aldro) 4½/5  
3rd Beatrice Steel (Raleigh  
School)4/5  
U.9 section  
1st Joel Malam (Twickenham  
Prep)4½/5  
2nd Tharsan Kuhendiran (Burlington)4/5  
3rd Andrew Smailes (Felton-  
fleet)3½/5

The tournament was held at Aldro School and run by members of Godalming Chess Club. New members are always welcome and this year we will be putting 4 teams into the local Borders League.

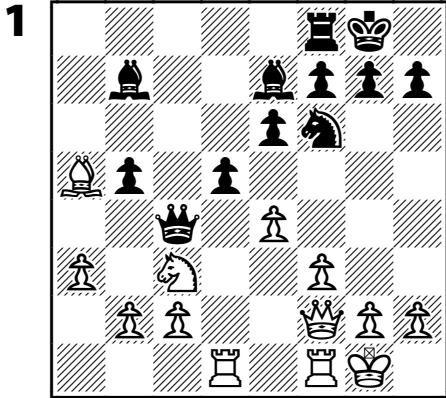
For information about joining the club please contact me on [archerd@aldro.org](mailto:archerd@aldro.org).

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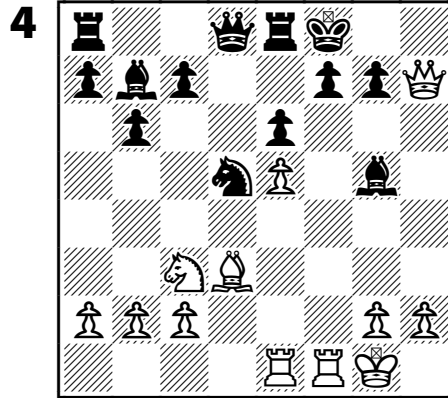


# The POPULAR CHESS QUIZ PAGE

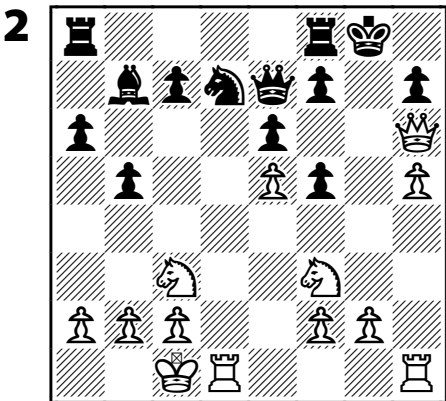
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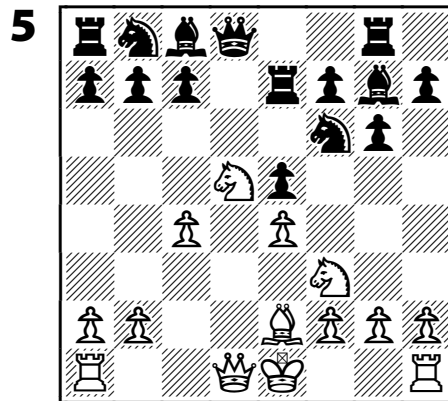
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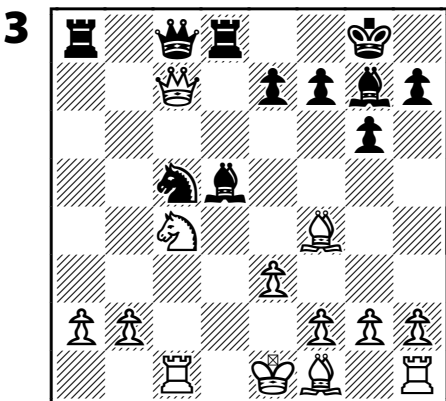
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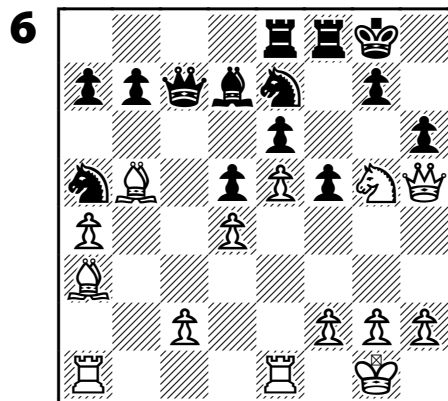
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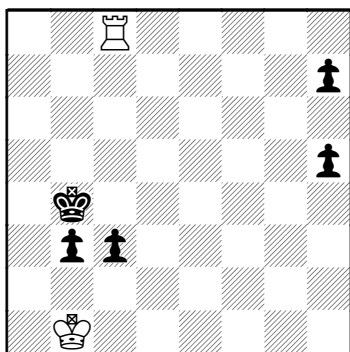
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## SEPTEMBER'S PRIZE PUZZLE ANSWER

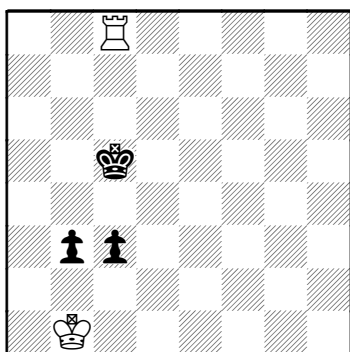


White to play. Can he win?  
Show a possible sequence.

**ANSWER:** White cannot win without the aid of his King. The winning technique may be described as follows:

- 1) Round up the h pawns;
- 2) Force one of the black c- or b-pawns forward to allow the King to come in to the game;
- 3) Attack and win the advanced black pawns.

1.♖c7! h6 2.♖c6 h4 3.♖xh6 ♔c4  
3...♔a3 can be met by 4.♖xh4 c2+  
5.♔c1. 4.♖xh4+ ♔b5 5.♖h8 ♔c5  
6.♖c8+



Rooks are best placed behind PASSED pawns. 6...♔b4 7.♖c7! This instructive waiting move seals Black's fate. 7...c2+ 8.♔b2 ♔a4 9.♖c4+ ♔b5 10.♔xb3 1-0

## Best Quiz Answers for Page 15

1. 1... Bc5
2. 1.Rxd7 Qxd7 2.Qg5+ Kh8  
3.Qf6+
3. 1.Nb6
4. 1. Rxf7+ Kxf7 2.Bg6+ Kf8  
3.Qh8+ Ke7 4.Qxg7#
5. 1. Nxf6+
6. 1. Nxe6 Bxe6 2.Bxe8



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