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**Week**

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**Gulnar Mammadova**



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Online International  
Blitz Tournament  
12 July 2020



# King & Queen of 2020

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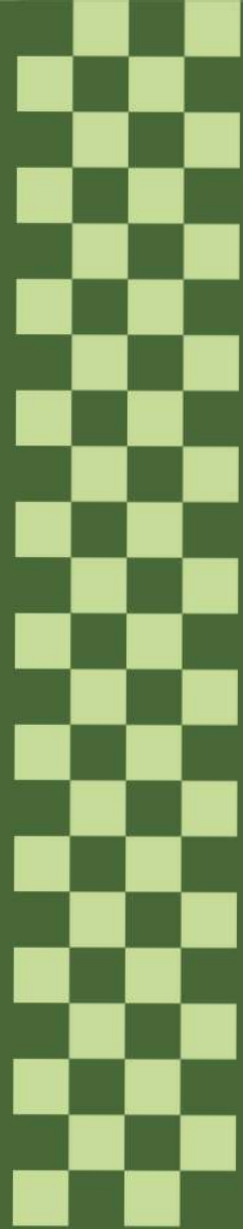
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## From the editor

### Swiss or Arena?

These days, after the spread of online chess tournaments, one of the topics that is widely discussed among chess players is the system of holding these tournaments: Swiss or Arena?

Having strengths and weaknesses, these two systems have their fans. It is clear that the Swiss system, which is traditionally used in open competitions, is more logical and may be a more accurate system for determining the winners, but we must admit that this system is less exciting than the Arena and you might have to wait several minutes between rounds for the next game.

Today, in addition to competition, young players are looking for more excitement, which the Arena system meets. Playing non-stop, using Berserk, rewarding players with bonus points and having a strategy for a long marathon have made this system popular.

Of course, it may be easier for the Unity team to hold and control the tournament in the Swiss system, but according to the factors mentioned above, the Arena system has been selected. The system that can only be used in online competitions and has practically run circles around its opponent!

What is your opinion about this?

M.R.Salehzadeh



# 17th Sundays With Unity Online International Blitz Tournament 12 July 2020

## The 17th week report

The seventeenth week of the Unity tournament was very exciting. 1218 players from 65 countries competed in this week. 102 GM, 155 IM, and 200 FM are brilliant statistics that cannot be ignored. The following three countries had the highest number of players:



255 Players



163 Players



106 Players



## 17th Sundays With Unity Online International Blitz Tournament 12 July 2020

It was not clear until the final moments who would be the champion. While Parham Maghsoodloo (2676) was at the top of the table with one minute left in the finish, GM Dmitry Andreikin (2782) was able to overtake him and repeat his championship last week.



**Dmitry Andreikin: Champion for two weeks in a row**

After these two players, Vietnamese international master Minh Le Tuan (2501) came in third place, and among all these grandmasters, he made a surprise.



**The surprise of the week: Minh Le Tuan**

In the women's section, Azerbaijani International Master Gulnar Mammadova (2400) won first place again, and WGM Vaishali Rameshbabu (2393) from India came in second. WIM Turmunkh Munkhzul of Mongolia (2278) got third.



**WGM Vaishali Rameshbabu**



## 17th Sundays With Unity Online International Blitz Tournament 12 July 2020

Among the under-16 players, which includes very strong players,  
Indian phenomenon Praggnanandhaa (2608) won the best title.



**A chess prodigy: Rameshbabu Praggnanandhaa**

You will see the details of the winners and prizes next.

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		1	<b>GM Andreikin Dmitry</b> \$150		<b>GM Maghsoodloo Parham</b> \$100	2			
		3	<b>IM Le Tuan Minh</b> \$60		<b>IM Beerdsen Thomas</b> \$40	4			
		5	<b>GM Tang Andrew</b> \$20		<b>GM Sarana Alexey</b> \$20	6			
		7	<b>GM Demchenko Anton</b> \$20		<b>IM Livaic Leon</b> \$20	8			
		9	<b>GM Keymer Vincent</b> \$20		<b>IM Nagy Gabor</b> \$20	10			



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		11	<b>GM Chigaev Maksim</b>		\$10		<b>GM Ghosh Diptayan</b>	12		
		13	<b>GM Sadhwani Raunak</b>		\$10		<b>IM Grishchenko Sergey</b>	14		
		15	<b>GM Ibarra Jerez Jose Carlos</b>		\$10		<b>GM Ponkratov Pavel</b>	16		
		17	<b>IM Keinanen Toivo</b>		\$10		<b>GM Shevchenko Kirill</b>	18		
		19	<b>GM Vaibhav Suri</b>		\$10		<b>GM Vokhidov Shamsiddin</b>	20		

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		21	 <b>FM Zhalmakhanov Ramazan</b>	\$5		22		
		23	 <b>IM Valderrama Quiceno Esteban Alb</b>	\$5		24		
		25	 <b>GM Chandra Akshat</b>	\$5		26		
		27	 <b>GM Bluebaum Matthias</b>	\$5		28		
		29	 <b>GM Pap Gyula</b>	\$5		30		

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## Weekly International Online Chess Tournament

### ► Women's Section

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		<b>1</b>	<b>IM Mammadova Gulnar</b>		<b>\$30</b>	<b>WGM Vaishali R</b>	<b>2</b>		
		<b>3</b>	<b>WIM Munkhzul Turmunkh</b>		<b>\$10</b>	<b>WIM Arpita Mukherjee</b>	<b>4</b>		
		<b>5</b>	<b>IM Buksa Nataliya</b>		<b>\$5</b>	<b>WGM Charkhalashvili Inga</b>	<b>6</b>		
		<b>7</b>	<b>WIM Sliwicka Alicja</b>		<b>\$5</b>	<b>WIM Alinasab Mobina</b>	<b>8</b>		
		<b>9</b>	<b>WGM Bivol Alina</b>		<b>\$5</b>	<b>IM Arabidze Meri</b>	<b>10</b>		

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► Under16\_14

17

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### Under 16



1

**GM Pragnanandhaa  
R**



\$20



2

**FM Nogerbek  
Kazybek**



\$10



3

**GM Abdusattorov  
Nodirbek**



\$5

### Under 14



1

**IM Murzin  
Volodar**



\$20



2

**IM Aditya  
Mittal**



\$10



3

**GM Gukesh  
D**



\$5

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► Under12\_10\_8

17

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### Under 12



**1**

**FM Ansat  
Aldiyar**



**\$20**



**2**

**Mahdavi  
Reza**



**\$10**



**3**

**CM Gurel  
Ediz**



**\$5**

### Under 10



**1**

**Zemlyanskii  
Ivan**



**\$20**



**2**

**Alaghehmand  
Arshia**



**\$10**



**3**

**Aakash  
G**



**\$5**

### Under 8



**1**

**Yousef  
Mardali**



**\$20**



**2**

**Ramtin  
Kakavand**



**\$10**



**3**

**Kryshthafor  
Maksym**



**\$5**

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► Senior 65+\_50+

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### Senior 65+



**1** CM Guzman Lozano  
Campo Elias



\$20



**2** FM Valle  
Efrain



\$10



**3** FM Ferreira  
Oscar



\$5

### Senior 50+



**1** CM Coca Cubillos  
Jesus Alberto



\$20



**2** IM Medina  
Paz Miguel



\$10



**3** FM Firdaus  
Maksum



\$5

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## Weekly International Online Chess Tournament

Under  
2300-2399

17

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		<b>1</b>	<b>FM Manu David Suthandram R</b>		<b>\$30</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>FM Dankhazi Andras</b>		
		<b>3</b>	<b>IM Siva Mahadevan</b>		<b>\$10</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>CM Kushagra Mohan</b>		
		<b>5</b>	<b>IM Daneshvar Bardiya</b>		<b>\$5</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>IM Leiva Giuseppe</b>		
		<b>7</b>	<b>FM Lianes Garcia Marcos</b>		<b>\$5</b>		<b>8</b>	<b>FM Dixit Nikhil</b>		
		<b>9</b>	<b>FM Popov Konstantin</b>		<b>\$5</b>		<b>10</b>	<b>IM Abdisalimov Abdimalik</b>		

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## Weekly International







### Online Chess Tournament

Under  
▶ 2200-2299

17

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		<b>1</b>	<b>FM Denishev Marat</b> \$30		<b>FM Nazari Arad</b> \$20	<b>2</b>			
		<b>3</b>	<b>Concio Michael Jr.</b> \$10		<b>Samant Aditya S</b> \$5	<b>4</b>			
		<b>5</b>	<b>FM Skatchkov Valery</b> \$5		<b>FM Pasaribu Ivan Maxmillian Putra</b> \$5	<b>6</b>			
		<b>7</b>	<b>FM Bekturov Tamerlan</b> \$5		<b>Delgado Romero Marco</b> \$5	<b>8</b>			
		<b>9</b>	<b>WIM Potapova Margarita</b> \$5		<b>Syaputra Arifa Rizki</b> \$5	<b>10</b>			

































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## Weekly International Online Chess Tournament

Under  
2100-2199

17  
July 12th  
2020



		1	<b>Ghaziolsharif Kaveh</b> \$30		WFM Gutkovich Polina	2			
		3	<b>Babaniya Benyamin</b> \$10		Katenov Aibek	4			
		5	<b>Ramezani Mahan</b> \$5		Gireman Ja	6			
		7	<b>Anustoop Biswas</b> \$5		CM Khorshidi Mohammad Javad	8			
		9	<b>Izquierdo Elias Alberto</b> \$5		Jaferian Koosha	10			











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Under  
2000-2099

**17**  
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2020



		<b>1</b>	<b>Behrooz Moghaddam Hamed</b> \$30		<b>Deste Dayan Kuhn</b> \$20	<b>2</b>		
		<b>3</b>	<b>Mohammadi Reza</b> \$10		<b>Lim Samson Chhiu Chhin</b> \$5	<b>4</b>		
		<b>5</b>	<b>Pradip Ghosh</b> \$5		<b>FM Soriano Quispe Ivan Excender</b> \$5	<b>6</b>		
		<b>7</b>	<b>Pimpalkhare Vedant</b> \$5		<b>Ayush Sharma</b> \$5	<b>8</b>		
		<b>9</b>	<b>Varguez Baquedano Alfredo</b> \$5		<b>Tovar Diaz Erick Alan</b> \$5	<b>10</b>		






















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## Weekly International Online Chess Tournament

Under  
1900-1999

**17**  
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2020



		<b>1</b>	<b>CM Akhmedinov Satbek</b> \$30		<b>Vardanyan Haik A.</b> \$20	<b>2</b>		
		<b>3</b>	<b>Kozlov Alexei</b> \$10		<b>FM Al-Bashayra Yazan</b> \$5	<b>4</b>		
		<b>5</b>	<b>CM Orozbaev Eldiar</b> \$5		<b>Verma Rahul</b> \$5	<b>6</b>		
		<b>7</b>	<b>AGM Vignesh B</b> \$5		<b>Garcia Campitelli Gonzalo</b> \$5	<b>8</b>		
		<b>9</b>	<b>Abedi Amin</b> \$5		<b>WFM Asgharzadeh Mitra</b> \$5	<b>10</b>		































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## Weekly International Online Chess Tournament

Under  
1800-1899

**17**  
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		<b>1</b>	<b>Mohammadi Hossein</b>		<b>\$30</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>Doroodgar A.Hosein</b>		
		<b>3</b>	<b>Gawai Siddhant</b>		<b>\$10</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>Sapenov Daniyal</b>		
		<b>5</b>	<b>Kumara C M S Praneeth</b>		<b>\$5</b>		<b>6</b>	<b>Ortiz Hernandez Ricardo Paul</b>		
		<b>7</b>	<b>Degenbaev Aziz</b>		<b>\$5</b>		<b>8</b>	<b>Rahmat Pour Armin</b>		
		<b>9</b>	<b>Azizkhani Nima</b>		<b>\$5</b>		<b>10</b>	<b>Pourgol Arman</b>		

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### Online Chess Tournament

Under  
1700-1799

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		<b>1</b>	<b>Lemi Daniel John</b> \$30		<b>Arul Anandh S P K</b> \$20	<b>2</b>		
		<b>3</b>	<b>Ruiz Ronald</b> \$10		<b>Stevanky</b> \$5	<b>4</b>		
		<b>5</b>	<b>Heidarzadeh Arsha</b> \$5		<b>Amirdzhanyan Vladimir</b> \$5	<b>6</b>		
		<b>7</b>	<b>Ankur Mahesh Gokhale</b> \$5		<b>Jafari Parsa</b> \$5	<b>8</b>		
		<b>9</b>	<b>Mogheyseh Abolfazl</b> \$5		<b>Nikoo Abbaspoorrad</b> \$5	<b>10</b>		

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## Weekly International Online Chess Tournament

Under  
1600-1699

17  
July 12th  
2020



		1	<b>Suyarov Mukhammadzokhid</b> 	\$30		<b>Mishra Sanjeev</b> 	2		
		3	<b>Ranjith Kalaiyarasan</b> 	\$10		<b>Setiawan David</b> 	4		
		5	<b>Sezdbekov Almaz</b> 	\$5		<b>Quispe Damian Francisco</b> 	6		
		7	<b>Hiridik Rajendran</b> 	\$5		<b>Vidal Martinez Salvador</b> 	8		
		9	<b>Omonov Asrorjon</b> 	\$5		<b>Sadeghifar Mohammadreza</b> 	10		




























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## Weekly International Online Chess Tournament

Under  
1500-1599

**17**  
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2020



		<b>1</b>	<b>AGM Spandan Srivastava</b> \$30		<b>2</b>	<b>Salimiyani Behzad</b> \$20			
		<b>3</b>	<b>Amangeldy Ernur</b> \$10		<b>4</b>	<b>Nirmal L</b> \$5			
		<b>5</b>	<b>Chilan Villa Andres Jesus</b> \$5		<b>6</b>	<b>Vakcheri Mohitha</b> \$5			
		<b>7</b>	<b>Naman Porwal</b> \$5		<b>8</b>	<b>Taheri Eliya</b> \$5			
		<b>9</b>	<b>Deep Das</b> \$5		<b>10</b>	<b>Ruiz Gutierrez Yomar</b> \$5			

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## Weekly International Online Chess Tournament

Under  
1400-1499

17

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		1	<b>Kesavan G</b>		\$30		2	<b>Chandrani Shlok</b>		
		3	<b>Vigneshwaran K</b>		\$10		4	<b>Nemati Mehrad</b>		
		5	<b>Shelke Omkar</b>		\$5		6	<b>Nabil Nazar Mohamed</b>		
		7	<b>Guru Prakash</b>		\$5		8	<b>Daneshvar Kasra</b>		
		9	<b>Rahimi Arshia</b>		\$5		10	<b>Lotfifar Azadeh</b>		



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## Weekly International Online Chess Tournament

Under  
1000-1399

17

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		1	<b>Tynyshbayev Alibek</b> \$30			<b>Dakshita Kumawat</b> \$20	2		
		3	<b>Abhishek J R</b> \$10			<b>Zhanturin Abdulla</b> \$5	4		
		5	<b>Nitin Raghuvanshi</b> \$5			<b>Biswa Preet Ray</b> \$5	6		
		7	<b>Panigrahi Dilip</b> \$5			<b>Abrishami Amirarshia</b> \$5	8		
		9	<b>Adit Pushan Krishnaswamy</b> \$5			<b>Bhoir Paras Dilip</b> \$5	10		

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		1	 <b>José Soto</b> \$30		2		
		3	 <b>Delgado Gutierrez Juan Carlos</b> \$10		4		
		5	 <b>Sayantan Dey</b> \$5		6		
		7	 <b>Ruiz Josaya</b> \$5		8		
		9	 <b>Robert Struzik</b> \$5		10		

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## Weekly International Online Chess Tournament

### ► Lucky Prizes

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		50	<b>GM Aravindh Chithambaram Vr.</b> 	\$10	<b>Gholami Orimi Mahdi</b> 	100		
		150	<b>Garcia Gabriel Gonzaga</b> 	\$10	<b>Quiroga Jaquez Angel Ivan</b> 	200		
		250	<b>CM Narayanan Samrug</b> 	\$10	<b>IM Tologontegin Semetey</b> 	300		
		350	<b>FM Vatsal Singhania</b> 	\$10	<b>Kesavan G</b> 	400		
		450	<b>WGM Khomeriki Nino</b> 	\$10	<b>FM Hosseinzadeh Nima</b> 	500		

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		550	<b>Malekzadeh Mohammad</b> \$10		<b>Benyamin Javanshir</b> \$10	600		
		650	<b>Jimenez Jorge</b> \$10		<b>Ortiz Omar</b> \$10	700		
		750	<b>Roshani Soroush</b> \$10		<b>Narozhniy Artem</b> \$10	800		
		850	<b>FM Pesotskiy Mikhail</b> \$10		<b>WIM Vlasova Nataliya</b> \$10	900		
		950	<b>Alvan Muhammed Badih</b> \$10		<b>Pino Mohammadamin</b> \$10	1000		

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### Top 40 Players who didn't win the individual prizes



1

**GM S.L  
Narayanan**

**GM Swayams  
Mishra**

2



3

**GM Erigaisi  
Arjun**

**GM Aravindh  
Chithambaram Vr.**

4



5

**GM Nihal  
Sarin**

**GM Gagare  
Shardul**

6

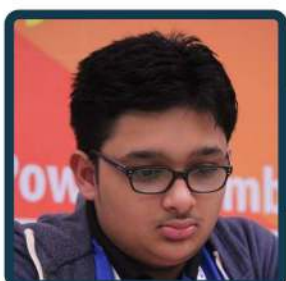


7

**GM Harsha  
Bharathakoti**

**IM  
Harikrishnan.A.Ra**

8



9

**FM Srihari  
L R**

**IM Rathanel  
V S**

10



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### Top 40 Players who didn't win the individual prizes



11

**IM Aronyak  
Ghosh**



**IM Das  
Sayantan**

12



13

**FM Aaryan  
Varshney**



**Ritviz  
Parab**

14



15

**IM Krishna  
Teja N**



**IM Srijit  
Paul**

16



17

**Jain  
Naveen**



**GM Sengupta  
Deep**

18



19

**GM Iniyan  
P**



**WIM Vantika  
Agrawal**

20



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### Top 40 Players who didn't win the individual prizes



21

**Ambarish  
Sharma**

**Singh Soram  
Rahul**

22



23

**CM Bhavesh  
Mahajan**

**Atri  
Chattopadhyay**

24



25

**GM Girish  
A. Koushik**

**Ram S.  
Krishnan**

26



27

**Mahindrakar  
Indrajeet**

**Santu  
Mondal**

28



29

**Shah  
Jeet**

**Deepak  
Kumar R**

30



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### Top 40 Players who didn't win the individual prizes



31

**FM Syed Anwar  
Shazuli**

**FM Vatsal  
Singhania**

32



33

**Pavan  
B N B**

**Manigandan  
S S**

34



35

**Subramanian  
R M**

**Debankan  
Dhara**

36



37

**WIM Chitlange  
Sakshi**

**Chidvilash Sai  
Surapaneni**

38



39

**WFM Hilmi  
Parveen**

**FM Manish  
Anto Cristiano F**

40



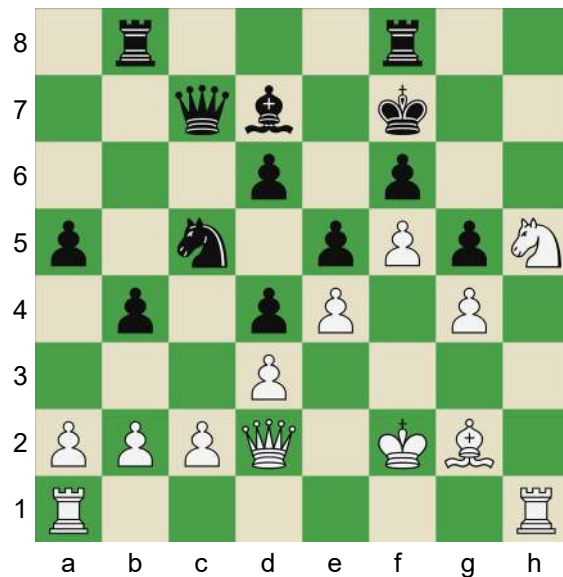




# Tactic and Combination

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■ Sarana,Aleksei  
UnityChessClub Arena

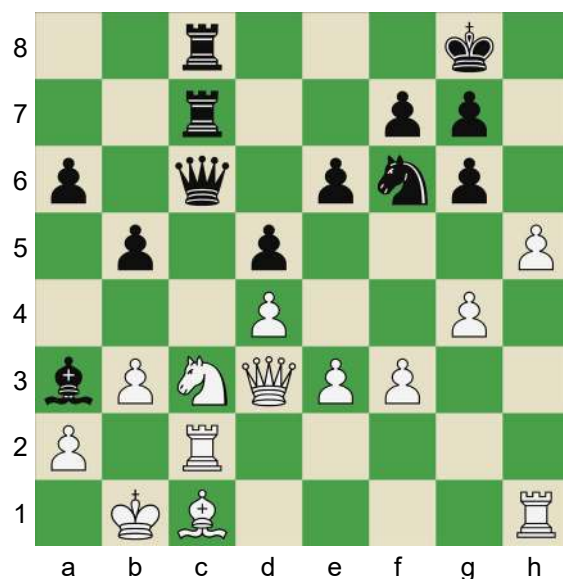
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25.Nxf6! Simple but devastating 25...Kxf6 26.Rh6+ Ke7 27.Qxg5+ Ke8  
28.Rh7 Rf7 29.Qg8+  
[ 29.Rxf7 is just as good. Kxf7 30.Rh1+- ]  
29...Rf8 30.Qg7 Bxf5 31.Qxc7 Bxh7+ 32.Kg3+-  
1-0

□ Bluebaum,Matthias  
■ Le,Minh Tu  
UnityChessClub Arena

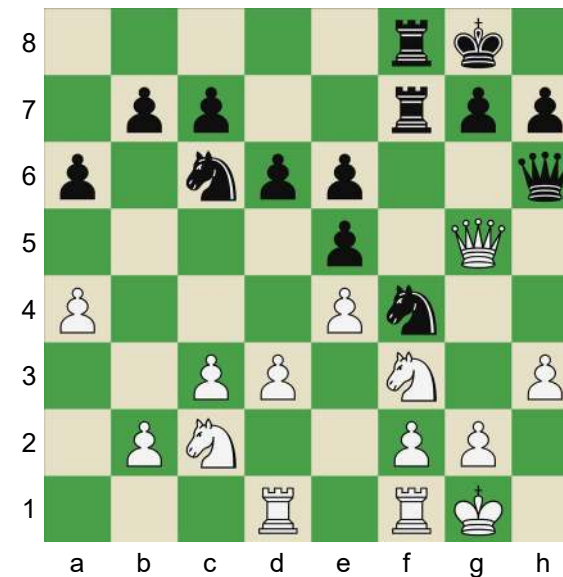
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24...Qxc3! An unexpected queen sacrifice by Minh Tu. 25.Rxc3 Rxc3 26.Qxc3  
[ 26.Qd2 Rxc1+ 27.Rxc1 Rxc1+ 28.Qxc1 Bxc1+- ]  
26...Rxc3 27.Bxa3 Rxe3 28.hxg6 fxg6 29.Rc1 Rxf3+-  
0-1

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■ Tang,Andrew  
UnityChessClub Arena

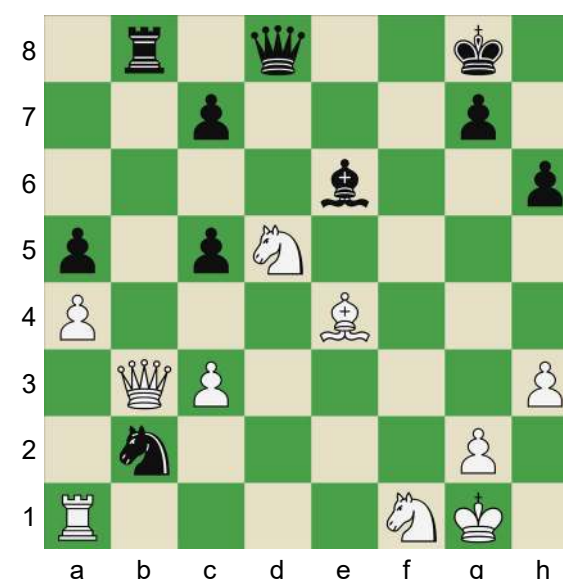
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19...Nxh3+!  
[ 19...Nxb2 20.Qxh6 gxh6 21.Kxg2 Rxf3 22.Ne3 White would have put up more stubborn resistance. ]  
20.gxh3 Qxh3! 21.Nh2  
[ 21.Qg2 Rxf3 22.Qxh3 Rxh3+- ]  
21...Rf6+-  
0-1

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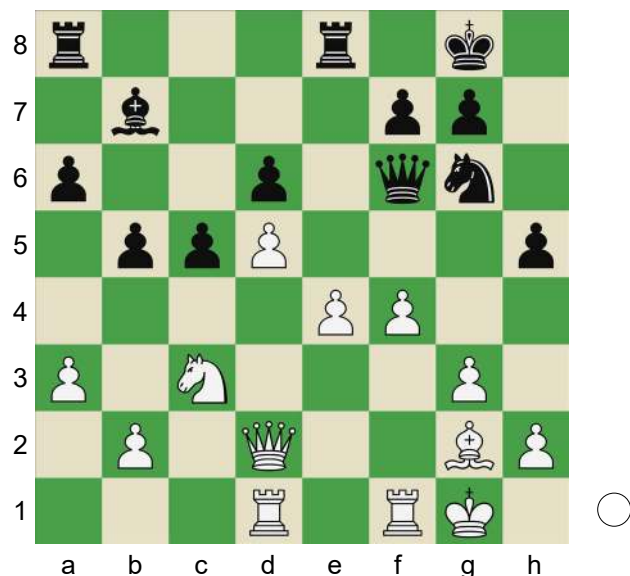
26.Ne7+! A strong intermediate check. 26...Kf7  
[ 26...Qxe7 27.Qxb8+- ]  
27.Nc6! Bxb3 28.Nxd8+ Rxd8 29.Rb1 An important move in White's calculation. 29...Bxa4 30.Rxb2 Bd1 31.Bc2 Bxc2 32.Rxc2+-  
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# Tactic and Combination

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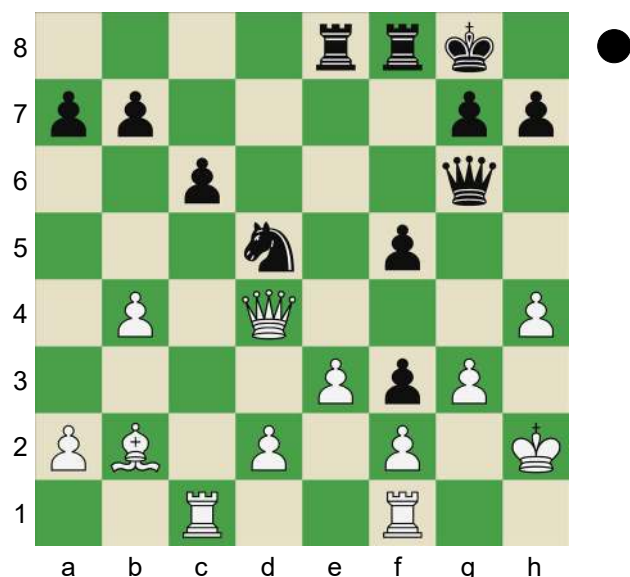
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**22.e5!** A typical breakthrough that clears the vital e4 square for the white knight.  
**22...dxe5 23.f5! Ne7**  
[ 23...Nf8 24.Ne4 Qd8 25.f6+ - ]  
**24.Ne4 Qh6 25.Qxh6 gxh6 26.Nf6+ Kg7 27.Nxe8+ Rxe8 28.f6+ 1-0**

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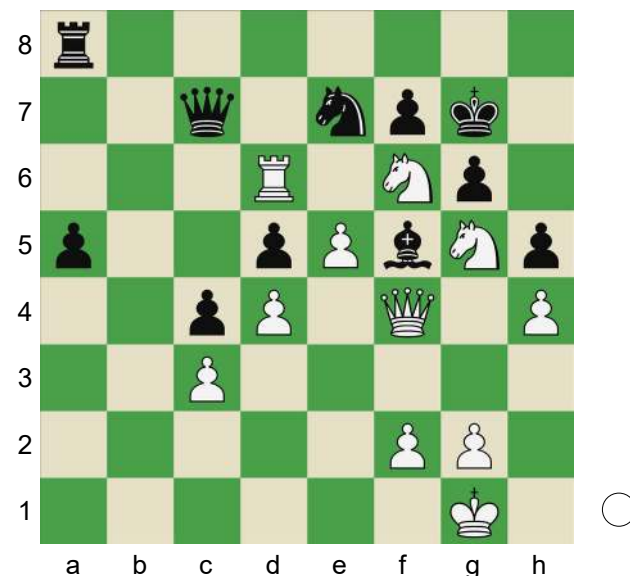
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**22...Re4!** A decisive rook lift. **23.Qxa7 Rxh4+! 24.Kg1 Rh1+!**  
[ 24...Rh1+ 25.Kxh1 Qh5+ 26.Kg1 Qh3+ - ]  
**0-1**

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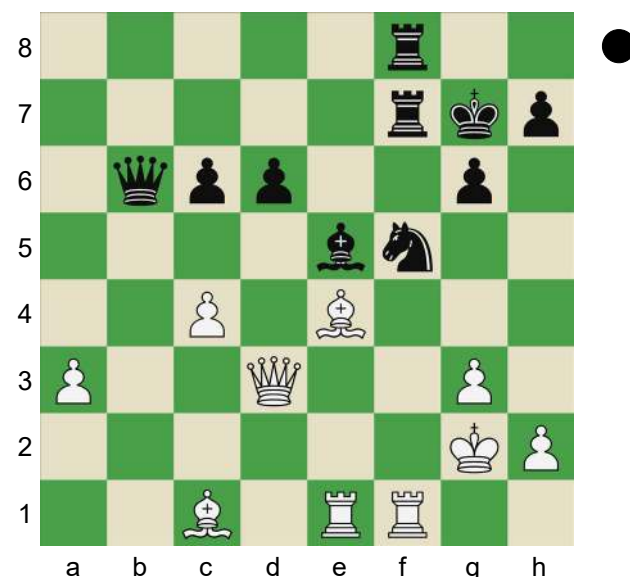
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**32.Rd7!** A finishing tactical blow. **32...Qxd7**  
[ 32...Bxd7 33.Nxh5+ gxh5 ( 33...Kh8 34.Qf6+ Kg8 35.Qg7#; 33...Kh6 34.Nxf7+ Kh7 35.Qh6+ Kg8 36.Qg7# ) 34.Qxf7+ Kh8 35.Qh7# ]  
**33.Nxd7+- 1-0**

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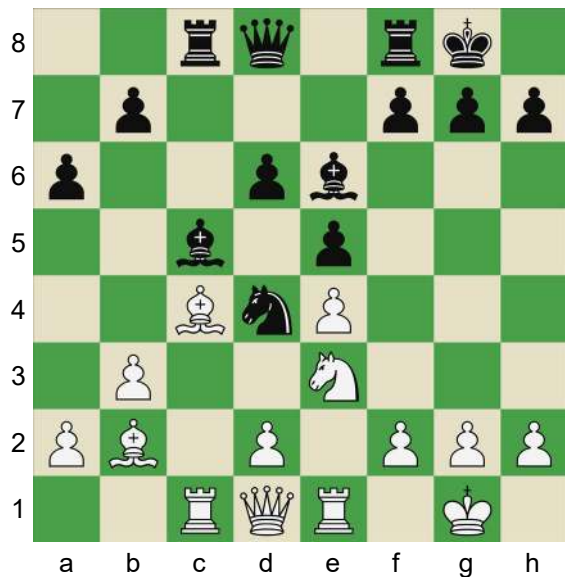
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**27...Nh4+!?** Black tries to confuse his opponent.  
[ 27...Qd4 28.Qxd4 Nxd4= ]  
**28.gxh4??** White falls into the trap.  
[ 28.Kh1 should have been played: Rf2 29.Rxf2 Qxf2 30.Qe3 Qxe3 31.Bxe3 Nf5 32.Bxc6 Nxe3 33.Rxe3= ]  
**28...Rf2+ 29.Kh3 Qd8?**  
[ 29...Rxh2+ 30.Kg4 h5+ 31.Kg5 Qd8+-+ ] **30.Rxf2 Rxf2= 0-1**

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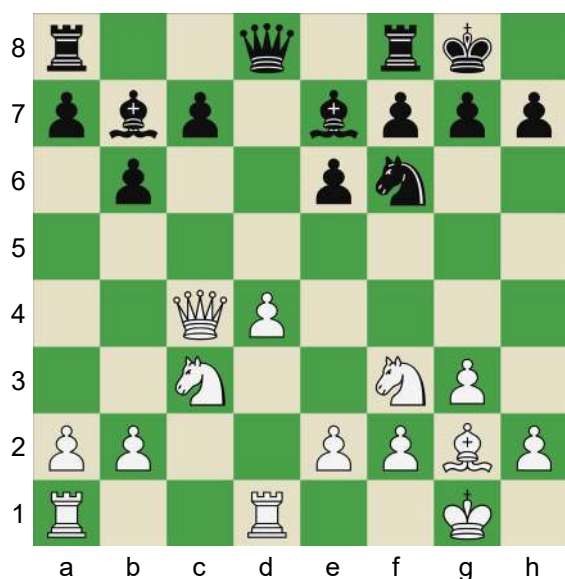
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1...b5 2.Bxe6 fxe6! The right choice! After this move, Black can protect the important light squares f5 & d5 and also use the f-file. 3.d3 Bb4 4.Rf1 Rxc1 5.Bxc1 Qc7 6.Bb2 Rc8±  
**0-1**

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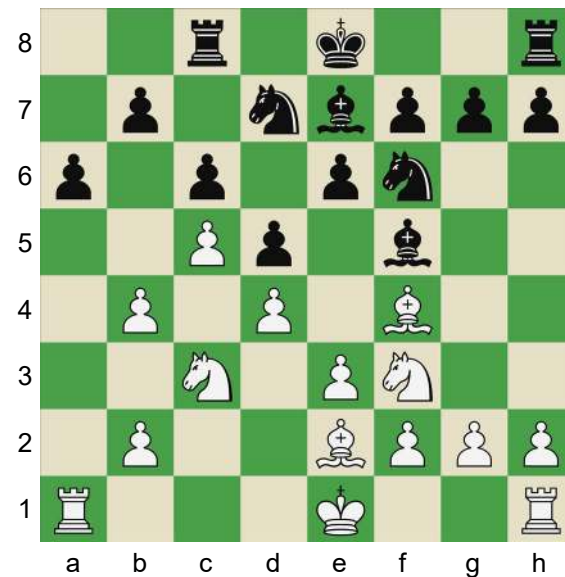
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Black's main idea in these kinds of positions is ...c5. How can he carry out this plan? 1...Qc8! A typical move to play c5. 2.Rac1 c5 3.dxc5 Bxc5 4.Nb5 a6 5.Nd6 Bxd6 6.Rxd6 b5=  
**0-1**

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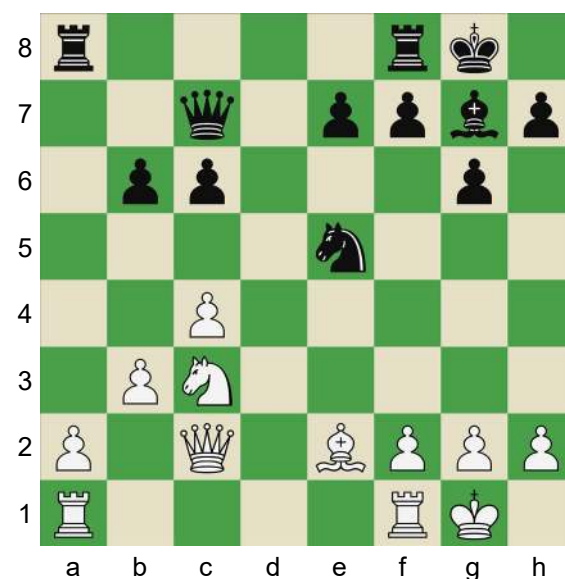
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1.Nd2! A typical maneuver to transfer the knight to the strong a5-square. 1...0-0 2.Nb3 Bd8 3.h3 Re8 4.0-0 Ne4 5.Rfc1 Nxc3 6.bxc3! Right decision! At the right moment, White can strike out at Black's center with c3-c4.  
**1-0**

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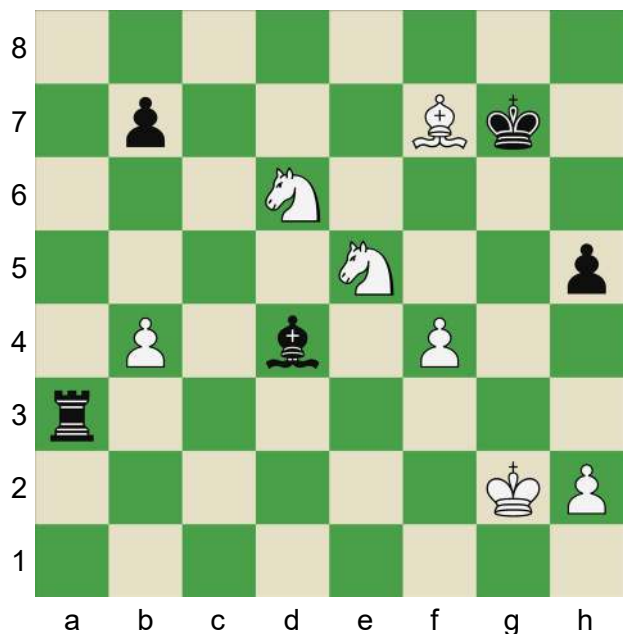
The knight on e5 looks good but it can't go anywhere. So we should make it better! 1...Nd7! Starting a great maneuver. 2.Rad1 Nc5 3.Bf3 e5! An important move to secure the d4-square for the black knight as a strong outpost. 4.Rfe1 Ne6 5.Qe4 Nd4 6.a4 f5! Everything is going well for Black. 7.Qb1 e4 8.Be2 Rad8±  
**0-1**

# Funny Blunders



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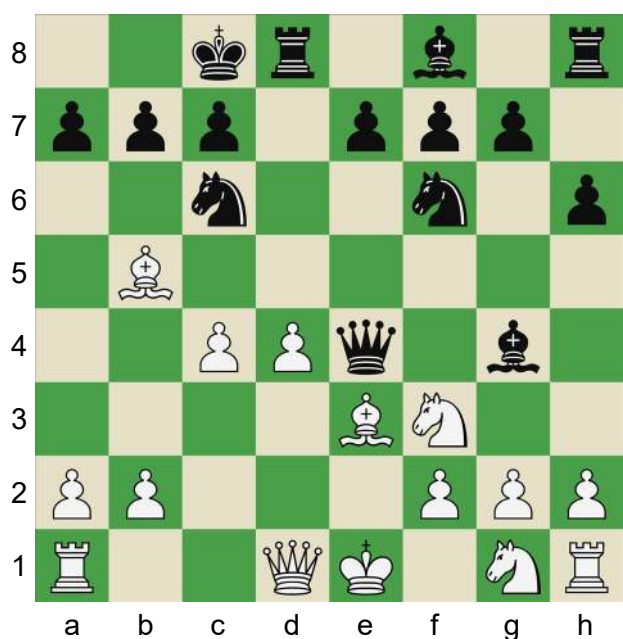
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52...Re3?? 53.Nf5+ Kf6 54.Nxe3 Bxe3 55.Kf3  
 1-0

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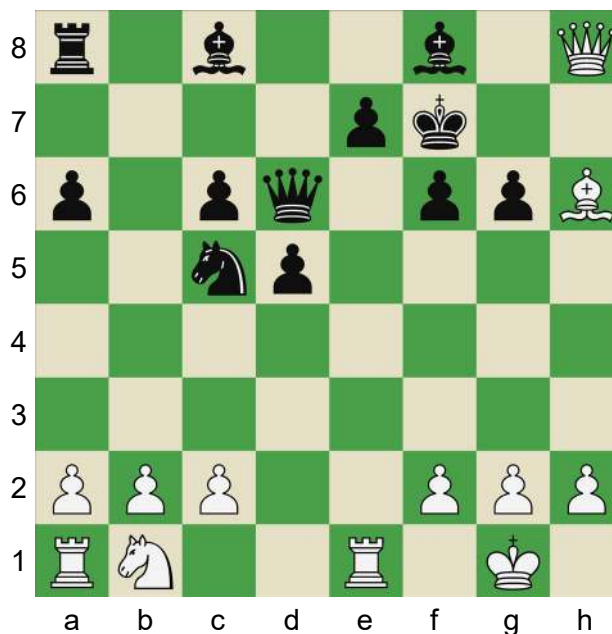
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10.h3??  
 [ 10.Qa4 Nb8 11.c5 Nd5 ]  
 10...Nxd4 11.Ba4  
 [ 11.hxg4 Nc2+ ]  
 11...Nxf3+  
 0-1

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 ■ Le Tuan Minh  
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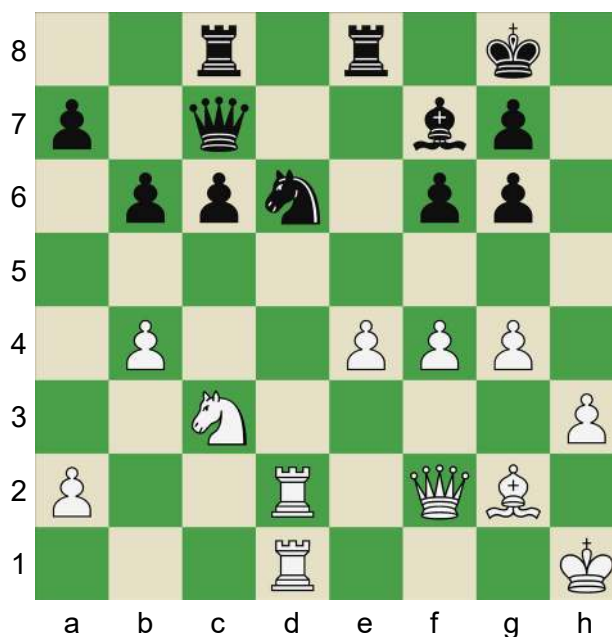
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14...Bf5??  
 [ 14...Bxh6 15.Qxh6 Ne6 16.Nd2 Bd7 17.Re3+- ]  
 15.Qh7+ Ke8 16.Bxf8 Kxf8 17.Qh8+ Kf7 18.Qxa8+-  
 1-0

□ Dankhazi Andras  
 ■ Tang Andrew  
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24...Re7??  
 [ 24...Rcd8 ]  
 25.Rxd6  
 1-0



**This week we have a familiar guest for interview; Mr. Pedram Atoufi, the successful founder of Unity Chess Club who's holding Sundays with Unity every weekend. Pedram Atoufi is the owner of Unity Chess Club and a World Chess Federation FIDE Master. He won the World Open of Philadelphia (under 2300 rating) in 2006, was a member of the Marmaris Team, winners of the 2002 Turkey Chess League and the 1992 National Youth Champion of Iran. Coach Pedram began playing chess at the age of 12, which is quite an old age for an accomplished player and teacher. Chess was banned in Iran for 10 years by the government who considered it a form of gambling, with connotations of royalty. Once this ban was lifted, chess became the passion of his life and it still is today. He has played competitively in Iran, Turkey, Asia and the US. Today he is considered one of the finest instructors in the United States.**

**Dear Pedram, thank you so much for taking the time to participate in this interview. Congratulations on organizing such a fantastic weekly tournament! How did it all start?**

Thanks a lot for having me. We had our regular face to face weekly tournaments at the chess club until Covid-19 came. We had to close the center and stop all of our tournaments. That was the moment that we decided to continue having our Sundays weekly tournaments online and instead of Rapid, making it Blitz. The goal is to have a special tournament that all players around the world at any level come and play and enjoy and also have good chances to win the prizes. This is why we made the tournament in 21 sections and more than 240 players have chances to win prizes.

**Unity Chess Club has become the most famous chess club in Arizona since the last 10 years ago, you established it. Could you talk a little bit about the Club?**

I opened Unity Chess Club in the Summer of 2008. The main focus was on coaching and preparing our students for the National and World Grades championship.



# Interview



Since started we managed to have many USA grade champions and many represented the USA in World Cadets Championship. From the beginning we started having our Sunday weekly rapid tournaments G/30 +5 as well as Monthly G/55 +5 and later started Phoenix Annual G/90 +30 SD/30 on Thanksgiving Weekends having players from all over the country.



**Unity open underway, before the coronavirus pandemic!**



**We all know that a team from a large number of countries helps you with this glorious competition. How do you lead the team?**

Managing this International tournament with many players all around the world wasn't easy so I came up with the idea of having representatives in different countries and becoming partners with them. With our strong team of our representatives all around the world, we can have better control of the tournaments and be more organized and move up the quality of the tournament to the next level.

**Young players enjoy playing in the Arena system. What do you think about this system?**

Arena system adds lots of excitement to the games, this is why lots of players enjoy playing in our tournaments even seniors above 65 years old! Players can make their time half! Winning a couple of games in a row and start getting double points!

**Who is your favorite chess player in history? What about the current players?**

In history, Mikhail Botvinnik. He started chess late, but he proved that by strong will and hard work you can achieve anything in your life, even becoming a world champion!



Unity Chess Students at the World Cadets August 2019

**Please name some of your favorite chess books? And tell us why?**

For calculations, I like "1001 Brilliant Ways to Checkmate" and "1001 Winning Chess Sacrifices and Combination" by Fred Reinfeld. Also "Perfect Your Chess" by Andrei Volokitin and Vladimir Grabinsky. For Endgame, Understanding Chess Endgames by John Nunn. For Strategy, "Mastering Chess Strategy" by Johan Hellsten. For Opening, all "Grandmaster Repertoire" by Quality Chess Publishing in my opinion are great.

**What do you think about the future of the online chess tournaments after the Coronavirus Pandemic?**

Online chess is connecting all chess players around the world and I believe it will grow day by day. The future of chess is in online chess.

**Best wishes for you and your team!**

Open

Championship

Season

1

# Sundays with Unity



**GM Parham  
Maghsoodloo**



**May 24th**



**GM Vladimir  
Fedoseev**



**May 31st**



**GM Olexandr  
Bortnyk**



**June 7th**



**GM Vladimir  
Fedoseev**



**June 14th**



# Sundays with Unity

Open

Champion



Season

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Grand Master

Vladimir Fedoseev



Women

# Sundays with Unity

Championship

Season

1



WFM Anahita  
Zahedifar



May 24th



IM Zhansaya  
Abdumalik



May 31st



WGM Deysi  
Cori T.



June 7th



IM Lulija  
Osmak



June 14th

# Sundays with Unity

Women

Champion



Season

1



International Master  
**Zhansaya Abdumalik**



# Senior Sundays with Unity Championship

Season

1



GM Tair  
Vahidov



May 24th



IM Miguel  
Medina Paz



May 31st



GM Tair  
Vahidov



June 7th



GM Rogelio  
Jr Antonio



June 14th

# Sundays with Unity

Under16

Championship

Season

1



**GM Raunak  
Sadhwani**



**May 24th**



**IM Ahmad  
Ahmadzada**



**May 31st**



**GM Nihal  
Sarin**



**June 7th**



**FM Emin  
Ohanyan**



**June 14th**

Under12

# Sundays with Unity



## Championship

Season

**1**



**FM Aldiyar Ansat**



**May 24th**



**FM Aldiyar Ansat**



**May 31st**



**Artin Ashraf**



**June 7th**



**Dimitar Mardov**



**June 14th**

Open  
Championship  
Season

2

# Sundays with Unity



# Sundays with Unity

Women

Championship

Season

2



**WGM Nino Khomeriki**



**June 21st**



**WIM Munkhzul Turmunkh**



**June 28th**



**IM Gulnar Mammadova**



**July 5th**



**WGM Vaishali R**



**July 12th**



Senior

Championship

Season

2

# Sundays with Unity



**IM Boris  
Abrashkin**



**June 21st**



**GM Tair  
Vahidov**



**June 28th**



**FM Firdaus  
Maksum**



**July 5th**



**CM Jesus Alberto  
Coca Cubillos**



**July 12th**



# Sundays with Unity

Under16

Championship

Season

2



**GM Nihal Sarin**



June 21st



**GM Raunak Sadhwani**



June 28th



**GM Keymer Vincent**



July 5th



**GM R Praggnanandhaa**



July 12th

# Sundays with Unity



Under12

Championship

Season

2



**Reza  
Mahdavi**



**June 21st**



**Chidvilash Sai  
Surapaneni**



**June 28th**



**CM Ediz  
Gurel**



**July 5th**



**FM Aldiyar  
Ansat**



**July 12th**

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