

# BEST PROBLEMS

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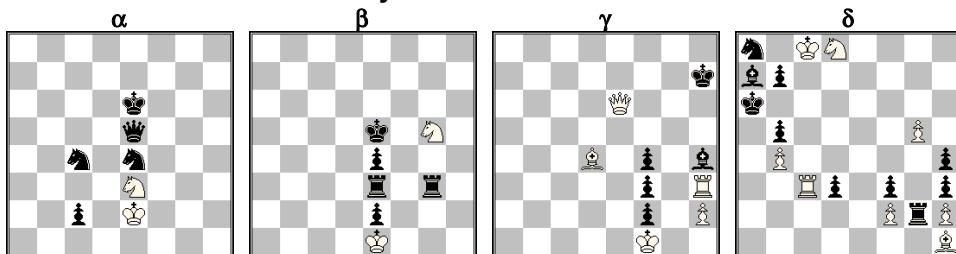
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Entriamo nel 19° anno di *Best Problems* con gli auguri del nostro fedele contributore di interessanti lavori Jorma Pitkanen, dalla Finlandia, al quale si aggiungono gli auguri di Gábor Tar dall'Ungheria (in ultima pagina) con la sua Christmas Card inviata a diverse riviste. **Thanks to Jorma and Gábor!** Tutt i lettori si augurano che BP arrivi ai 20 anni e oltre. Ciò dipende dai problemi che ci perverranno, speriamo molti e di qualità.

In questo numero due concorsi che erano in attesa di giudizio vengono alfine conclusi. Non manca la usuale rubrica delle affermazioni italiane, compresi alcuni lavori che erano sfuggiti ai nostri occhi per lungo tempo.

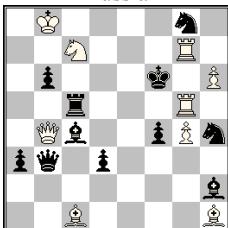
### *Greetings & Wishes for 2015 from Finland* Jorma Pitkanen



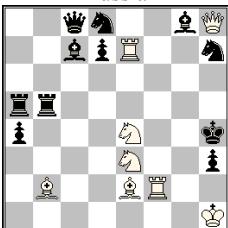
- **α** 8/8/4k3/4q3/2n1n3/4N3/2p1K3/8 - H≠5 (2+5) C+  
1.c1=♕ ♜c2 2.♕f4 ♔f3 3.♕f6 ♔g4 4.♕e5+ ♔h5 5.♕f5 ♜d4#
- **β** 8/8/8/4k1N1/4p3/4r1r1/4p3/4K3 - H≠5 (2+5) C+  
1.♔f4 ♔f2 2.e1=♕ ♜f7 3.♕g2 ♔g1 4.♔f3 ♔f1 5.♔f4 ♜e5#
- **γ** 8/7k/4Q3/8/3B1p1b/5p1R/5p1P/5K2 - S≠6 (5+5) C+ 2 sol.  
1.♕f7+! 1...♔h6 2.♕xh4+ ♔g5 3.♕h5+ ♔g4 4.♕e3 fxe3 5.♕xf3+ ♔xf3 6.♕h4 e2#
- 1.♕g4! tempo 1...♔h6 2.♕e3 ♔h7 3.♕g5 fxe3 4.♕g4 [5.♕g5 ♔h8 6.♕g6 e2≠] ♔h6 5.♕g8 ♔h5 6.♕g7 e2#
- **δ** n1KN4/bp6/k//1p4P1/1P5p/2Rp1p1p/5PrP/7B - ≠10 (8+10) C+  
1.♕a3+! 1...♔b6 2.♕xd3 [3.♕d6≠] ♔a6 3.♕a3+ ♔b6 4.♕xf3 [5.♕f6≠] ♔a6 5.♕f6+ ♔b6  
[5... ♜b6+ 6.♔c7 ♔b8+ 7.♔xb8 ♔~ 8.♔xb7≠] 6.♔b8 [7.♔xa8 ♔~ 8.♔xb7≠] ♜c7 7.♔xb7  
[8.♔c5≠] ♜e6 8.♕xe6 [9.♕c5≠] ♕xg5 9.♕c5+ ♕xc5 10.♕b7≠

**Inediti****3348. V. Alexandrov**

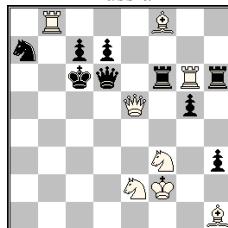
Russia

 $\neq 2$  (9+11) C+**3349. V. Alexandrov**

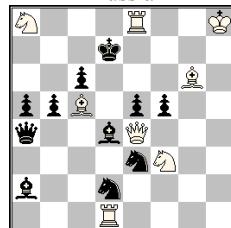
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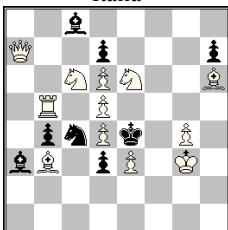
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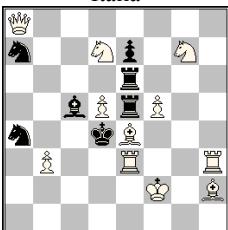
Russia

 $\neq 2^*$  (8+11) C+**3352. A. Fasano**

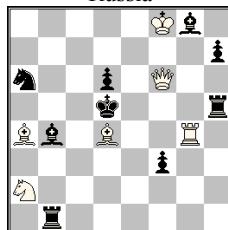
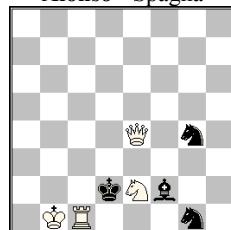
Italia

 $\neq 2$  v (12+8) C+**3353. A. Fasano**

Italia

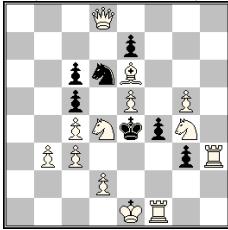
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Russia

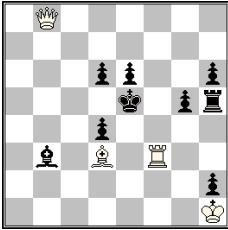
 $\neq 2$  v (6+9) C+**3355. J. A. Coello Alonso - Spagna** $\neq 2$  (4+4) C+**3356. M. Svitek**

Rep. Ceca

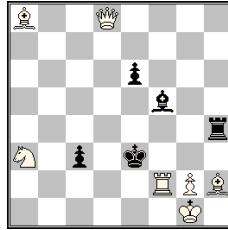
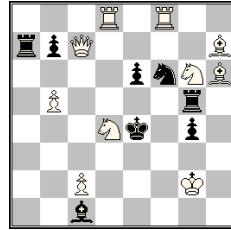
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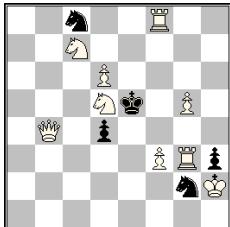
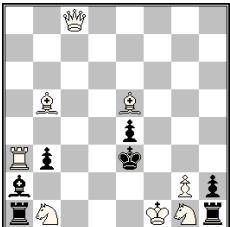
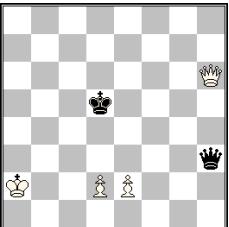
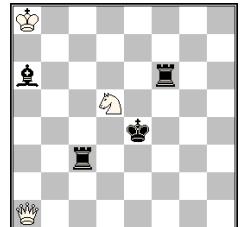
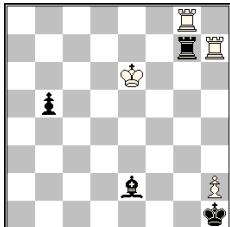
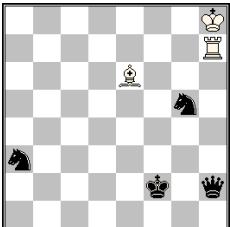
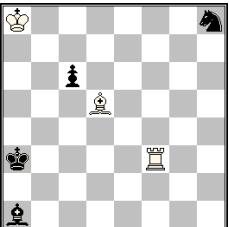
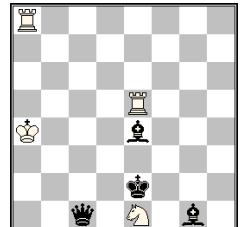
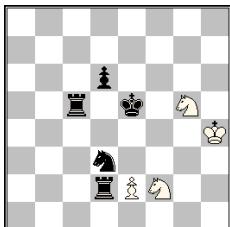
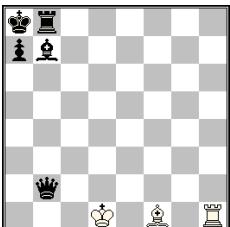
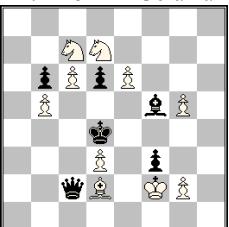
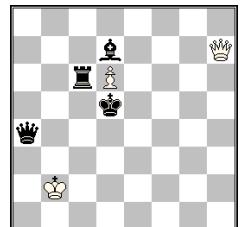
 $\neq 2^*$  (13+7) C+**3357. J. Pitkanen**

Finlandia

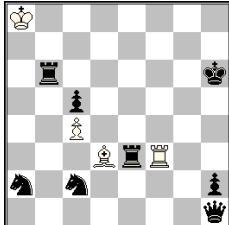
 $\neq 2$  v (4+9) C+**3358. G. Sardella & A. Garofalo - Italia****3359. L. Gomez**

Spagna

 $\neq 2$  (7+5) C+ $\neq 2$  (10+8) C+b)  $\Delta b5-b3$ **#2 - n. 3348-3360** (Judge 2015: NN).**#3 - n. -----** (Judge 2014-2015: Antonio Garofalo)

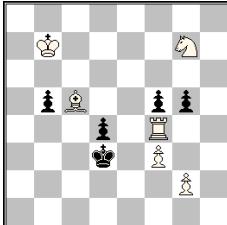
3360. G. Sardella  
Italia $\neq 2$  v... (9+5) C+3361. J. Pitkanen  
Finlandia $S \neq 2$  v (8+7) C+3362. A. Dikusarov  
Russia $H \neq 2$  (4+2) C+  
3 sol.3363. A. Dikusarov  
Russia $H \neq 2$  (3+4) C+  
b) ♕a1-b8 c) ♕a6-c8  
d) =c) ♕a1-a73364. A. Dikusarov  
Russia $H \neq 2$  (4+4) C+  
4 sol.3365. A. Dikusarov  
Russia $H \neq 2$  (3+4) C+  
b) ♕f2-a4, c) ♕f2-b1  
d) ♕f2-d8, e) ♕f2-e8  
f) ♕f2-e5 & ♕h8-g83366. A. Dikusarov  
Russia $H \neq 2$  (3+4) C+  
b) ♕a3-a6  
c) ♕a3-h2, d) ♕a3-h4  
e) ♕a3-h7, f) ♕a3-c8  
g) ♕a3-e1, h) ♕a3-g1  
i) ♕a8-g1 & ♕a3-a83367. P. G. Soranzo  
Italia $H \neq 2$  (4+4) C+  
2 sol.3368. P. Piet  
Francia $H \neq 2$  (4+5) C+  
2 sol.3369. V. Agostini  
Italia $H \neq 2$  (3+5) C+  
2 sol.3370. M. Kreimer &  
Y. Bilokin - Ucraina $H \neq 2$  (10+6) C+  
4 sol.3371. A. Dikusarov  
Russia $H \neq 2$  (3+4) C+  
b) ♕b2-g7  
c) =b) ♕h7-a8  
d) =b) ♕h7-d8 $S \neq 2/3$  - n. 3361 (Judge 2014-2016: NN). $H \neq 2$  - n. 3362-3378 (Judge 2014-2015: Mario Parrinello).

**3372. A. Dikusarov**  
Russia



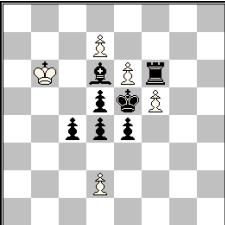
H≠2 (4+8) C+  
b) c) d) e)  
◆a1, ♦d1, ♦d2, ♠e1

**3373. P. Piet**  
Francia



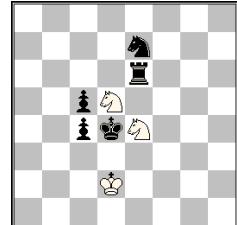
H≠2 (6+5) C+  
2 sol.

**3374. J. Carf**  
Francia



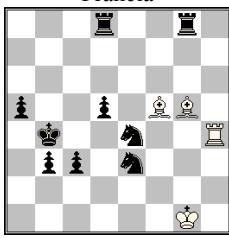
H≠2 (5+7) C+  
2 sol.

**3375. J. Carf**  
Francia



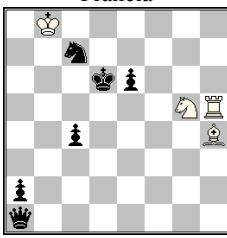
H≠2 (3+5) C+  
2 sol.

**3376. P. Piet**  
Francia



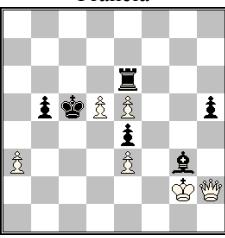
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2 sol.

**3377. J. Carf**  
Francia



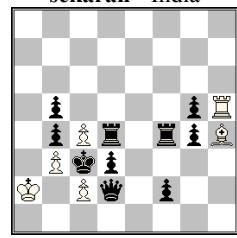
H≠2 (4+6) C+  
2 sol.

**3378. J. F. Carf**  
Francia



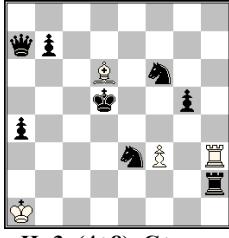
H≠2 (6+6) C+  
2 sol.

**3379. K. R. Chandrasekaran - India**



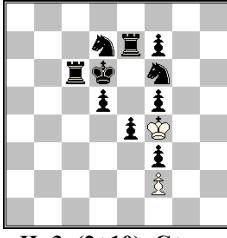
H≠2.5 (6+10) C+  
2 sol.

**3380. M. Chernyavsky & N. Zujev**  
Ucraina/Lituania



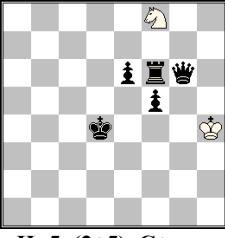
H≠3 (4+8) C+  
5 sol.

**3381. P. Piet**  
Francia

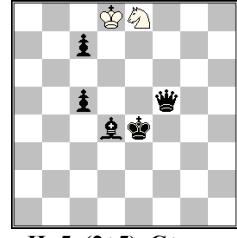


H≠3 (2+10) C+  
b) -▲e4

**3382. J. Pitkanen - Finlandia**  
(Dedicated to Antonio Garofalo)



H≠5 (2+5) C+  
1 sol.

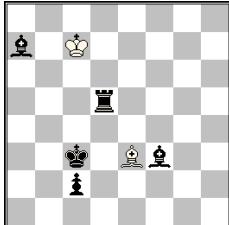


H≠5 (2+5) C+  
1 sol.

H≠2.5/H≠3 - n. 3379-3381 (Judge 2014-2015: NN).

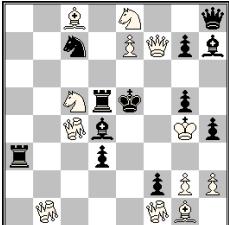
H≠n, - n. 3382-3384 (Judge 2014-2015: NN).

**3384. R. Kohring**  
Germania



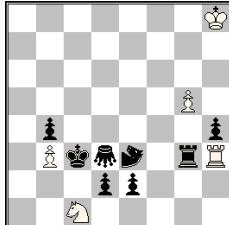
H≠5 (2+5) C+  
1 sol.

**3385. A. Armeni**  
Italia



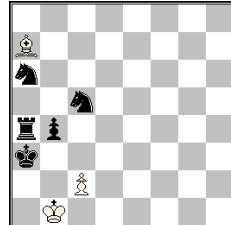
#2 vv (12+12) C+  
Sparrow

**3386. V. Agostini**  
Italia



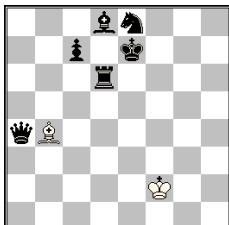
H≠2 (5+8) C+  
b) ♞ e3→f3  
Andernach chess  
=Camel, =Siren

**3387. R. Kohring**  
Germania



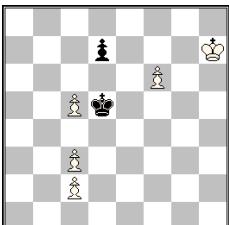
Ser-H≠15\* (3+5) C+  
1 sol.  
Anticirce  
Alphabet chess

**3388. R. Kohring**  
Germania



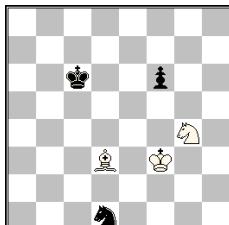
pser-H≠8 (2+6)  
1 sol.  
C+ by Author

**3389. V. Rallo**  
Italia



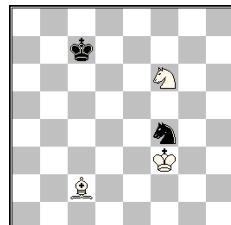
pser-H≠10 (5+2) C+  
1 sol.

**3390. V. Rallo**  
Italia



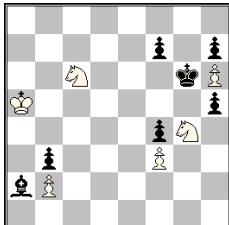
H≠3 (3+3) C+  
2 sol.  
Black KoBuKing

**3391. V. Rallo**  
Italia



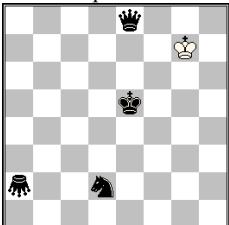
H≠2.5 (3+2) C+  
2 sol.  
KoBuKings

**3392. M. La Rosa & A. Garofalo - Italia**



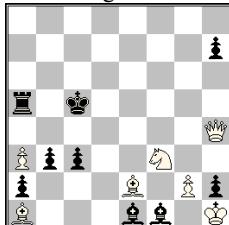
Ser-H≠9 (6+7) C+  
2 sol.

**3393. V. Kotesovec**  
Rep. Ceca



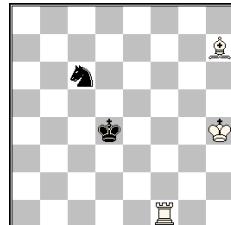
H≠7.5 (1+4) C+  
3 sol.  
Koko, =Grasshopper

**3394. T. Ersek**  
Ungheria



Ser-H=16 (7+9)  
1 sol.  
C+ by Author

**3395. R. Kohring**  
Germania



Ser-H≠9 (3+2) C+  
1 sol.  
Circe

Fairies n. 3385-3395 (Judge 2014-2015: NN).

## Note agli inediti

• **Alphabet Chess:** Each move of either side must be by the piece occupying the first square in the order of a1, a2, a3...b1, b2, b3...c1, c2, c3... etc., which is able to make a legal move. Castling is permitted if the King has the right to make a legal alphabetical move, provided the usual other rules for that move are obeyed.

• **KoBulKing:** When a piece (not a pawn) of his own side is captured, a King transforms into a Royal piece of the same type as the captured one. When the King is in the form of any Royal piece and there is a capture of one of the pawns of his own side, he becomes a normal King again. Captures are illegal if their result is self-check because of the transformation of the Kings according to KoBul rules. Castling is allowed only if the KoBul King is on his initial square in the form of a normal King and if he has not already moved; however he may already have been transformed. In the case of capture by a King in AntiCirce he is reborn on his initial square and may castle. If the capture is by a King which is in the form of some Royal piece, he is reborn on the initial square of that piece. [Quando un pezzo (tranne il pedone) del proprio colore è catturato, il Re prende la natura del pezzo catturato. Quando un pedone del proprio colore è catturato, il pezzo reale ridiventa un Re normale. Black KoBulKing = si applica solo al Nero. White KoBulKing = si applica solo al Bianco.]

• **Pser:** Problema a serie, parziale. Durante una normale serie di mosse il Nero può dare scacco, il quale viene parato da una mossa bianca, dopo di che la serie prosegue.

• **Camel:** (1,3) Leaper [examples: CAa1-b4, CAa1-d2]

• **Siren:** marine Queen. Moves as a Queen but captures only as a Locust.

• **Sparrow:** Moves like a Grasshopper ((0,1)+(1,1) Hopper, but deflects 135° either way on passing over the hurdle. The arrival square is adjacent to the hurdle.

Grasshopper, Andernach chess, Anticirce, Köko, Circe; please to see old issues of Best Problems.

## Soluzioni Inediti

Fascicolo n. 73

Commenti degli autori e del redattore.

### 3348. (#2, Vladimir Alexandrov)

1K4n1/2N3R1/1p3k1P/2r3R1/1Qb2pPn/pq1p4/7b/2B4B

1. ♕d5! [2. ♔e8#]

1... ♜xd5 2. ♔d4≠ 1... ♜xd5 2. ♔f8≠ 1... ♜a4 2. ♔c3≠ 1... ♜xc7 2. ♔d6≠

1... ♔f5 2. ♔xf5≠ 1... ♔g6 2. ♔f5≠ 1... ♔b5 2. ♔d4≠ 1... f3 2. ♔f7≠

### 3349. (#2, Vladimir Alexandrov)

2qn2bQ/2bpR2n/8/rr6/p3N2k/4N2p/1B2BR2/7K

1. ♔e5? [2. ♔f5≠ 2. ♔f4≠]

1... h2 2. ♔xh2≠ 1... d5 2. ♔h5≠ 1... ♔e6 2. ♔xh7≠ ma 1... d6!

1. ♔e5? [2. ♔f5≠ 2. ♔f4≠]

1... d6 2. ♔g3≠ 1... d5 2. ♔f6≠ 1... h2 2. ♔xh2≠ ma 1... ♔b1+!

1. ♔e5! [2. ♔f5≠ 2. ♔f4≠]

1... d6 2. ♔g3≠ 1... d5 2. ♔h5≠ 1... ♔e6 2. ♔xh7≠ 1... h2 2. ♔xh2≠

### 3350. (#2, Vladimir Alexandrov)

1R3B2/n1pp4/2kq1rRr/4Q1p1/8/5N1p/4NK2/7B

1... ♜c5+ 2. ♜xc5≠ 1... ♜d4+ 2. ♔xd4≠ A (♔fxd4?) B

1. ♕g3! [2. ♔fd4≠ B] (♔ed4?) A

1... ♜a3 2. ♔ed4≠ A (♔fd4? ♜e4?) 1... ♜d3 2. ♜c5≠ (♔ed4? ♔fd4?)

1... ♜d5 2. ♔fd4≠ (♔ed4? ♜c3?) 1... ♜xf3+ 2. ♜xe3≠ 1... ♜xe5+ 2. ♔xe5≠

### 3351. (#2, Vladimir Alexandrov)

N3R2K/3k4/2p3B1/1ppB1pp2/q2bQ3/4nN2/b2n4/3R4

1... ♔ec4 2. ♜xf5≠ (2. ♜xf5?) 1... ♔xe4 2. ♔xe5≠

1. ♜xe5! [2. ♔b6≠] 1... ♔ec4 2. ♜xf5≠ (♔xf5?)

1... ♔dc4 2. ♜g7≠ 1... ♔d5 2. ♜xf5≠ 1... ♜xc5 2. ♜c7≠ 1... ♜xe5+ 2. ♔xe5≠

### 3352. (#2, Alessandro Fasano)

2b5/Q2p3p/2NPN2B/1R1P4/1pnPk1P1/bB1pP1K1/8/8

1. ♔e7? [2. ♔c5≠] A 1... ♔xe3 a 2. ♔g5≠ B ma 1... dxe6!

1. ♔f2! [2. ♔g5≠] B 1... ♔xe3 a 2. ♔c5≠ A 1... d2 2. ♔c2≠ 1... dxe6 2. ♜xh7≠

### 3353. (#2, Alessandro Fasano)

Q7/n2Np1N1/4r3/2bPrP2/n2kB3/1P2R2R/5K1B/8

1. ♜h4? [2. ♜d3≠] [A]

1... ♜xe4 [a] 2. ♔xe6≠ [B] 1... ♜xf5+ 2. ♔xf5≠ ma 1... ♔b2!

1. ♜h8! [2. ♔xe6≠] [B]

1... ♜xe4 [a] 2. ♜d3≠ [A] 1... ♜xf5+ 2. ♔xf5≠ 1... ♜h6~ 2. ♜xe5≠

### 3354. (#2, Andrei Dikusarov)

5Kb1/7p/n2p1Q2/3k3r/Bb1B2R1/5p2/N7/1r6

1. ♜b6?/ ♜a7? [2. ♜d4≠]

1... ♜c3 2. ♔xc3≠ 1... ♜c5 2. ♔c3≠ 1... ♜h4 2. ♜f5≠ ma 1... ♜d1!

1. ♜c5! [2. ♜xd6≠] 1... ♜xc5 2. ♜d4≠ 1... ♔xc5 2. ♔d4≠ 1... ♜c5 2. ♔c3≠ 1... dxc5 2. ♜c6≠

1... ♜e6 2. ♜d4≠ 1... ♜f5 2. ♜xf5≠ 1... ♜h6 2. ♜f5≠

### 3355. (#2, Jose Antonio Coello Alonso)

8/8/8/4Q1n1/8/3kNb2/1KR3n1

1. ♔f4? [2. ♜d3≠] ma 1... ♔e5!

1. ♔c3! [2. ♜c2≠] 1... ♔e2 2. ♜xe2≠ 1... ♔e3 2. ♜d4≠ 1... ♔e3 2. ♜c2≠

### 3356. (#2, Miroslav Svetek) After D. Giacobbe

3Q4/4p3/2pnB3/2p1P1P1/2PNkpN1/1PP3pR/3P4/4KR2

1... ♔~ 2. ♜f5≠ 1... ♔d3 2. ♔f2≠ 1... g2 2. d3≠

1. ♔f3! tempo 1... ♔~ 2. d3≠ 1... ♔d3 2. ♜f5≠ 1... g2 2. ♔f2≠

### 3357. (#2, Jorma Pitkanen)

Q1Q6/8/3pp2p/4k1pr/3p4/1b1B1R2/7p/7K

1. ♜a8? [2. ♜e4≠] 1... ♜d5 2. ♜h8≠ 1... d5 2. ♜b8≠ ma 1... ♜h4!

1. ♜e8! [2. ♜f5≠]

1... ♜d5 2. ♜h8≠ 1... ♔d5 2. ♜b5≠ 1... g4 2. ♜xh5≠ 1... d5 2. ♜b8≠

### 3358. (#2, Giuseppe Sardella, Antonio Garofalo)

B2Q4/8/4p3/5b2/7r/N1p1k3/5RPB/6K1

1. ♜e4! [2. ♜d3≠] 1... ♔xe4 2. ♔c4≠ 1... ♜xe4 2. ♔c2≠ 1... ♔xe4 2. ♜e2≠

### 3359. (#2, Luis Gomez)

3R1R2/rpQ4B/4pnNB/1P4r1/3Nk1p1/8/2P3K1/2b5

a) 1... ♜xg6 2. ♜xg6≠ 1... ♔e3 2. ♜f4≠

1. ♜c4? [2. ♜d3≠] 1... ♔d7 2. ♔f5≠ 1... ♜xg6 2. ♜xe6≠ ma 1... ♜a3!

1. ♔f5! [2. ♜e5≠] 1... ♔d7 2. ♔c4≠ 1... ♜xg6 2. ♔g3≠

- b) 1...  $\blacksquare xg6$  2.  $\blacksquare xg6 \neq$  1...  $\blacksquare e3$  2.  $\blacksquare f4 \neq$   
 1.  $\blacksquare f5?$  [2.  $\blacksquare e5 \neq$ ] 1...  $\blacksquare d7$  2.  $\blacksquare c4 \neq$  1...  $\blacksquare xg6$  2.  $\blacksquare g3 \neq$  ma 1...  $\blacksquare a5!$   
 1.  $\blacksquare c4!$  [2.  $\blacksquare d3 \neq$ ] 1...  $\blacksquare d7$  2.  $\blacksquare f5 \neq$  1...  $\blacksquare xg6$  2.  $\blacksquare xe6 \neq$

**3360. ( $\neq 2$ , Giuseppe Sardella)**

2nR2/2N5/3P4/3Nk1P1/1Q1p4/5PRp/6nK/8

1.  $\blacksquare b6?$  [2.  $\blacksquare d7$   $\blacksquare c4$   $\blacksquare c5 \neq$ ] ma 1...  $\blacksquare xb6!$   
 1.  $\blacksquare f4?$  [2.  $\blacksquare c5$   $\blacksquare g6$   $\blacksquare d3 \neq$ ] ma 1...  $\blacksquare xf4!$   
 1.  $\blacksquare e3?$  [2.  $\blacksquare f5$   $\blacksquare c5$   $\blacksquare c4$   $\blacksquare g4 \neq$ ] ma 1...  $\blacksquare xe3!$   
 1.  $\blacksquare e7?$  [2.  $\blacksquare f5$   $\blacksquare c6$   $\blacksquare g6$   $\blacksquare c5 \neq$ ] ma 1...  $\blacksquare xe7!$   
 1.  $\blacksquare g4?$  [2.  $\blacksquare e4 \neq$ ] 1...  $\blacksquare xd6$  2.  $\blacksquare xd4 \neq$  ma 1...  $\blacksquare f4!$   
 1.  $\blacksquare c5!$  [2.  $\blacksquare e7$   $\blacksquare b6$   $\blacksquare b4$   $\blacksquare f4$   $\blacksquare c3$   $\blacksquare e3 \neq$ ]  
 1...  $\blacksquare e7$  2.  $\blacksquare xe7 \neq$  1...  $\blacksquare b6$  2.  $\blacksquare xb6 \neq$  1...  $\blacksquare f4$  2.  $\blacksquare xf4 \neq$  1...  $\blacksquare e3$  2.  $\blacksquare xe3 \neq$

Quattro tentativi e quindi 4 varianti Vladimirov.

**3361. ( $S \neq 2$ , Jorma Pitkanen)**

2Q5/8/8/1B2B3/4p3/Rp2k3/b5Pp/rN3KNr

1.  $\blacksquare c4?$  tempo, ma 1...  $hxg1 = \blacksquare !$   
 1.  $\blacksquare c2!$  tempo 1...  $\blacksquare xb1$  2.  $\blacksquare c3 +$   $\blacksquare d3 \neq$  1...  $\blacksquare xb1 +$  2.  $\blacksquare c1 +$   $\blacksquare xc1 \neq$   
 1...  $hxg1 = \blacksquare$  2.  $\blacksquare e2 +$   $\blacksquare xe2 \neq$  1...  $hxg1 = \blacksquare$  2.  $\blacksquare f2 +$   $\blacksquare xf2 \neq$

**3362. ( $H \neq 2$ , Andreï Dikusarov)**

8/8/7Q/3k4/8/7q/K2PP3/8

1.  $\blacksquare c3$   $dxc3$  2.  $\blacksquare c4$   $\blacksquare c6 \neq$  1.  $\blacksquare d3$   $exd3$  2.  $\blacksquare d4$   $\blacksquare d6 \neq$  1.  $\blacksquare e3$   $dxe3$  2.  $\blacksquare e4$   $\blacksquare e6 \neq$

**3363. ( $H \neq 2$ , Andreï Dikusarov)**

K7/8/b4r2/3N4/4k3/2r5/8/Q7

- a) 1.  $\blacksquare e3$   $\blacksquare xf6$  2.  $\blacksquare d3$   $\blacksquare c3 \neq$  b) 1.  $\blacksquare e2$   $\blacksquare f4 +$  2.  $\blacksquare d3$   $\blacksquare b4 \neq$   
 c) 1.  $\blacksquare f4$   $\blacksquare xc3$  2.  $\blacksquare f5$   $\blacksquare f6 \neq$  d) 1.  $\blacksquare g4$   $\blacksquare e3 +$  2.  $\blacksquare f5$   $\blacksquare e7 \neq$

**3364. ( $H \neq 2$ , Andreï Dikusarov)**

6R1/6rR/4K3/1p6/8/8/4b2P/7k

1.  $\blacksquare g2$   $\blacksquare hg7$  2.  $\blacksquare xh2$   $\blacksquare gl \neq$  1.  $\blacksquare g3$   $h3$  2.  $\blacksquare xh3$   $\blacksquare xh3 \neq$   
 1.  $\blacksquare g4$   $h4$  2.  $\blacksquare xh4$   $\blacksquare xh4 \neq$  1.  $\blacksquare h5$   $\blacksquare gxg7$  2.  $\blacksquare xh2$   $\blacksquare xh5 \neq$

**3365. ( $H \neq 2$ , Andreï Dikusarov)**

7K/7R/4B3/6n1/8/n7/5k1q/8

- a) 1.  $\blacksquare g1$   $\blacksquare d5$  2.  $\blacksquare f2$   $\blacksquare h1 \neq b$ ) 1.  $\blacksquare d2$   $\blacksquare b7$  2.  $\blacksquare a5$   $\blacksquare b3 \neq c$ ) 1.  $\blacksquare a1$   $\blacksquare xh2$  2.  $\blacksquare b1$   $\blacksquare a2 \neq$   
 d) 1.  $\blacksquare d6$   $\blacksquare c7$  2.  $\blacksquare e7$   $\blacksquare c8 \neq e$ ) 1.  $\blacksquare f7 +$   $\blacksquare g8$  2.  $\blacksquare d8$   $\blacksquare d7 \neq f$ ) 1.  $\blacksquare f6$   $\blacksquare f8$  2.  $\blacksquare e5$   $\blacksquare h6 \neq$

**3366. ( $H \neq 2$ , Andreï Dikusarov)**

K6n/8/2p5/3B4/8/k4R2/8/b7

- a) 1.  $\blacksquare c3$   $\blacksquare f2$  2.  $\blacksquare b4$   $\blacksquare a2 \neq b$ ) 1.  $\blacksquare d4$   $\blacksquare f5$  2.  $\blacksquare b6$   $\blacksquare c4 \neq c$ ) 1.  $\blacksquare e5$   $\blacksquare f1$  2.  $\blacksquare g3$   $\blacksquare h1 \neq$   
 d) 1.  $\blacksquare f6$   $\blacksquare e6$  2.  $\blacksquare g5$   $\blacksquare h3 \neq e$ ) 1.  $\blacksquare g7$   $\blacksquare g3$  2.  $\blacksquare h6$   $\blacksquare g8 \neq f$ ) 1.  $\blacksquare e5$   $\blacksquare d3$  2.  $\blacksquare c7$   $\blacksquare e6 \neq$   
 g) 1.  $\blacksquare c3$   $\blacksquare c4$  2.  $\blacksquare d2$   $\blacksquare f1 \neq h$ ) 1.  $\blacksquare d4$   $\blacksquare h3$  2.  $\blacksquare f2$   $\blacksquare h1 \neq i$ ) 1.  $\blacksquare e5$   $\blacksquare f7$  2.  $\blacksquare b8$   $\blacksquare xc6 \neq$

**3367. ( $H \neq 2$ , Pier Giorgio Soranzo)**

R7/8/8/4R3/K3b3/8/4k3/2q1N1b1

1.  $\blacksquare d2$   $\blacksquare d8 +$  2.  $\blacksquare d3$   $\blacksquare xd3 \neq$  1.  $\blacksquare f2$   $\blacksquare f8 +$  2.  $\blacksquare f3$   $\blacksquare xf3 \neq$

**3368. ( $H \neq 2$ , Pascale Piet)**

8/8/3p4/2r1k1N1/7K/3n4/3rPN2/8

1.  $\blacksquare f4$   $e4$  2.  $\blacksquare d4$   $\blacksquare g4 \neq$  1.  $\blacksquare f4$   $\blacksquare g4$  2.  $\blacksquare f5$   $e3 \neq$

**3369. (H≠2, Valerio Agostini)**

kr6/pb6/8/8/8/1q6/3K1B1R

1.  $\mathbb{Q}g2 \mathbb{Q}xg2$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}h8 \mathbb{Q}xh8 \neq$  1.  $\mathbb{Q}h8 \mathbb{Q}xh8$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}g2 \mathbb{Q}xg2 \neq$ 

Inversione delle mosse bianche.

**3370. (H≠2, M. Kreimer, Yuri Bilokin)**

8/2NN4/1pPpP3/1P3bP1/3k4/3P1p2/2qB1KP1/8

1.  $\mathbb{Q}xe6 \mathbb{Q}f8$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}c5 \mathbb{Q}fxe6 \neq$  1.  $\mathbb{Q}xd3 \mathbb{Q}e3+$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}e4 gxf3 \neq$ 1.  $\mathbb{Q}xc6 \mathbb{Q}b8$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}e5 \mathbb{Q}xc6 \neq$  1.  $fxg2 \mathbb{Q}e2$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}c3 \mathbb{Q}e3 \neq$ **3371. (H≠2, Andrei Dikusarov)**

8/3b3Q/2rP4/3k4/q7/8/1K6/8

a) 1.  $\mathbb{Q}xd6 \mathbb{Q}c3$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}c6 \mathbb{Q}f5 \neq$  b) 1.  $\mathbb{Q}c5 \mathbb{Q}f6$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}c6 \mathbb{Q}d3 \neq$ c) 1.  $\mathbb{Q}e6 \mathbb{Q}xa4$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xd6 \mathbb{Q}e4 \neq$  d) 1.  $\mathbb{Q}e6 \mathbb{Q}h7$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}f7 \mathbb{Q}e7 \neq$ **3372. (H≠2, Andrei Dikusarov)**

K7/8/1r5k/2p5/2P5/3BrR2/n1n4p/7q

a) 1.  $\mathbb{Q}g1 \mathbb{Q}f7$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}g5 \mathbb{Q}h7 \neq$  b) 1.  $\mathbb{Q}b1 \mathbb{Q}f1$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}cb4 \mathbb{Q}xb1 \neq$  c) 1.  $\mathbb{Q}e1 \mathbb{Q}f2$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}c1 \mathbb{Q}xc2 \neq$ d) 1.  $\mathbb{Q}c1 \mathbb{Q}f1$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}e1 \mathbb{Q}d3 \neq$  e) 1.  $\mathbb{Q}g2 \mathbb{Q}a7$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}d2 \mathbb{Q}f1 \neq$ **3373. (H≠2, Pascale Piet)**

8/1K4N1/8/1pB2pp1/3p1R2/3k1P2/6P1/8

1.  $\mathbb{Q}e3 \mathbb{Q}xd4+$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xf4 \mathbb{Q}h5 \neq$  1.  $\mathbb{Q}c4 \mathbb{Q}xd4+$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xc5 \mathbb{Q}e6 \neq$ **3374. (H≠2, Jean Carf)**

8/3P4/1K1bPr2/3pkP2/2ppp3/8/3P4/8

1.  $\mathbb{Q}e7$  d8=  $\mathbb{Q}$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}d6 \mathbb{Q}c7 \neq$  1. d3 d8=  $\mathbb{Q}$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}d4 \mathbb{Q}c6 \neq$ 

Meredith, white only pawns (Author).

**3375. (H≠2, Jean Carf)**

8/4n3/4r3/2pN4/2pkN3/8/3K4/8

1.  $\mathbb{Q}xd5 \mathbb{Q}g5$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}e4 \mathbb{Q}f3 \neq$  1.  $\mathbb{Q}xe4 \mathbb{Q}b4$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}d5 \mathbb{Q}c6 \neq$ **3376. (H≠2, Pascale Piet)**

3r2r1/8/8/p2p1BB1/1k2n2R/1pp1n3/8/6K1

1.  $\mathbb{Q}c4 \mathbb{Q}d7$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}g3 \mathbb{Q}e7 \neq$  1.  $\mathbb{Q}c4 \mathbb{Q}g4$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}c5 \mathbb{Q}e2 \neq$ **3377. (H≠2, Jean Carf)**

1K6/2n5/3kp3/6NR/2p4B/8/p7/q7

1.  $\mathbb{Q}h1 \mathbb{Q}c8$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}c6 \mathbb{Q}f7 \neq$  1.  $\mathbb{Q}g7 \mathbb{Q}b7$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}d7 \mathbb{Q}e4 \neq$ **3378. (H≠2, Jean-François Carf)**

8/8/4r3/1pkPP2p/4p3/P3P1b1/6KQ/8

1.  $\mathbb{Q}xe5 \mathbb{Q}xe5$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}d6 \mathbb{Q}d4 \neq$  1.  $\mathbb{Q}xe5 \mathbb{Q}xg3$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xd5 \mathbb{Q}c7 \neq$ **3379. (H≠2.5, K. R. Chandrasekaran)**

8/8/8/1p4pR/1pPr1rpB/1PkP4/K1Pq1p2/8

1...  $\mathbb{Q}xf2$  2.  $dx2$   $\mathbb{Q}h3+$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}d3 \mathbb{Q}e1 \neq$  1...  $\mathbb{Q}xg5$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xc4 \mathbb{Q}f6+$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}cd4 \mathbb{Q}c5 \neq$ **3380. (H≠3, Mikola Chernyavsky, Nikolaj Zujev)**

8/qp6/3B1n2/3k2p1/p7/4nP1R/7r/K7

1.  $\mathbb{Q}f5 \mathbb{Q}e7$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}e5 \mathbb{Q}h4$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}d5 \mathbb{Q}e4 \neq$  1.  $\mathbb{Q}c2 \mathbb{Q}h2$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}c4 \mathbb{Q}b2$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}d4 \mathbb{Q}d2 \neq$ 1.  $\mathbb{Q}c4 \mathbb{Q}h4+$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}b3 \mathbb{Q}b4+$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}a3 \mathbb{Q}b6 \neq$  1.  $\mathbb{Q}d4 f4$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}ed5 \mathbb{Q}c3$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}e4 \mathbb{Q}e5 \neq$ 1.  $\mathbb{Q}c6 \mathbb{Q}f8$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}c7 \mathbb{Q}h8$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}b8 \mathbb{Q}d6 \neq$ **3381. (H≠3, Pascale Piet)**

8/3nrp2/2rk1n2/3p1p2/4pK2/5p2/8

a) 1. e3 fxe3 2.  $\mathbb{Q}e6$  e4 3.  $\mathbb{Q}d6 exf5 \neq$  b) 1.  $\mathbb{Q}e6 \mathbb{Q}xf3$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}e5 \mathbb{Q}e3$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}cd6 f4 \neq$

**3382. (H≠5, Rolf Kohring)**

8/b1K5/8/3r4/8/2k1Bb2/2p5/8

1.  $\mathbb{Q}d1 \mathbb{Q}g1$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}d2 \mathbb{Q}d6$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}f2 \mathbb{Q}e5$  4.  $\mathbb{Q}e1 \mathbb{Q}d4$  5.  $\mathbb{Q}e2 \mathbb{Q}e3\neq$   
 Bristol and switchback of the white Bishop, ideal mate (Author).

**3383. (H≠5, Jorma Pitkanen) dedicated to Antonio Garofalo**

5N2/8/4prq1/5p2/3k3K/8/8/8

1.  $\mathbb{Q}g3+$   $\mathbb{Q}h5$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}f7 \mathbb{Q}h6$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}e5 \mathbb{Q}g6+$  4.  $\mathbb{Q}f6 \mathbb{Q}e7$  5.  $\mathbb{Q}e5 \mathbb{Q}g8\neq$

**3384. (H≠5, Jorma Pitkanen) dedicated to Antonio Garofalo**

3KN3/2p5/8/2p2q2/3bk3/8/8/8

1. c6  $\mathbb{Q}c7$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}d5 \mathbb{Q}b6$  3. c4+  $\mathbb{Q}a5$  4.  $\mathbb{Q}c5 \mathbb{Q}d6$  5.  $\mathbb{Q}d5 \mathbb{Q}b7\neq$

**3385. (#2, Alberto Armeni)**

1.  $\mathbb{Q}xg5?$  [2.  $\mathbb{Q}f4\neq$ ] ma 1...  $\mathbb{Q}f8!$

1. SPxf2? [2.  $\mathbb{Q}f6\neq$ ] ma 1...  $\mathbb{Q}xe8!$

1.h3! [2.  $\mathbb{Q}h2\neq$ ] 1... fxg1~ 2.  $\mathbb{Q}f6\neq$  1... d2 2.  $\mathbb{Q}f5\neq$  1...  $\mathbb{Q}xc5$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}f4\neq$  1...  $\mathbb{Q}xc5$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}e6\neq$  1...  $\mathbb{Q}f5+$

2.  $\mathbb{Q}xf5\neq$  1...  $\mathbb{Q}e6$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xe6\neq$

**3386. (H≠2, Valerio Agostini)**

7K/8/8/6P1/1p5p/1Pkgo1rR/3pp3/2N5

a) 1.  $\mathbb{Q}xg5(B)$   $\mathbb{Q}g4$  2. CHb2  $\mathbb{Q}c4\neq$  b) 1. CHc2 g6 2. SIxg6-h7(B) SIg7#

Terzo d'inchiodatura nera (Author).

**3387. (Serie-H≠15, Rolf Kohring)**

8/B7/n7/2n5/rp6/k7/2P5/1K6

1...  $\mathbb{Q}xc5(\mathbb{Q}c1)\neq$  1.  $\mathbb{Q}a5$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}a4$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}b5$  4.  $\mathbb{Q}a3$  5.  $\mathbb{Q}f3$  6.  $\mathbb{Q}c7$  7. b3 8. b2 9.  $\mathbb{Q}c4$  10.  $\mathbb{Q}d4$  11.  $\mathbb{Q}e8$

12.  $\mathbb{Q}e3$  13.  $\mathbb{Q}e2$  14.  $\mathbb{Q}a4$  15.  $\mathbb{Q}c3+$   $\mathbb{Q}xb2(\mathbb{Q}e1)\neq$

Functional exchange between white king and white bishop in set play and solution (Author).

**3388. (pser-H≠8, Rolf Kohring)**

3bn3/2p1k3/3r4/8/qB6/8/5K2/8

1.  $\mathbb{Q}f6$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}e4+$   $\mathbb{Q}e3$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}c5$  4.  $\mathbb{Q}e6+$   $\mathbb{Q}d4$  5.  $\mathbb{Q}d6$  6.  $\mathbb{Q}d7$  7. c6 8.  $\mathbb{Q}c7$   $\mathbb{Q}xc5\neq$

**3389. (pser-H≠10, Vito Rallo)**

8/3p3K/5P2/2Pk4/8/2P5/2P5/8

1.  $\mathbb{Q}xc5$  2. d5 3. d4 4. d3 5. d2 6. d1  $\mathbb{Q}$  7.  $\mathbb{Q}d7+$   $\mathbb{Q}g8$  8.  $\mathbb{Q}e6+$  f7 9.  $\mathbb{Q}e8+$  fxe8=  $\mathbb{Q}$  10.  $\mathbb{Q}c4$   $\mathbb{Q}c6\neq$

**3390. (H≠3, Vito Rallo)**

8/8/2k2p2/8/6N1/3B1K2/8/3n4

1.  $\mathbb{Q}c3$   $\mathbb{Q}xf6$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}b5$   $\mathbb{Q}xb5$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}b8$   $\mathbb{Q}d7\neq$  1.  $\mathbb{Q}e3$   $\mathbb{Q}xe3$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}e7$   $\mathbb{Q}f5+$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}g8$   $\mathbb{Q}c4\neq$

**3391. (H≠2.5, Vito Rallo)**

8/2k5/5N2/8/5n2/5K2/2B5/8

1...  $\mathbb{Q}a4$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}d5$   $\mathbb{Q}xd5+$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}a8$   $\mathbb{Q}c6\neq$  1...  $\mathbb{Q}xf4$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}e6+$   $\mathbb{Q}e5+$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}f8$   $\mathbb{Q}d7\neq$

Tanagra, model mates (Author).

**3392. (Serie-H≠9, Massimo La Rosa, Antonio Garofalo)**

8/5p1p/2N3kP/K6p/5pN1/1p3P2/bP6/8

1.  $\mathbb{Q}b1$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}e4$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}xf3$  4.  $\mathbb{Q}d5$  5. f3 6. f2 7. f1=  $\mathbb{Q}$  8.  $\mathbb{Q}f5$  9.  $\mathbb{Q}g5$   $\mathbb{Q}e7\neq$

1. h4 2. h3 3. h2 4. h1=  $\mathbb{Q}$  5.  $\mathbb{Q}xh6$  6.  $\mathbb{Q}g7$  7.  $\mathbb{Q}f8$  8.  $\mathbb{Q}e8$  9.  $\mathbb{Q}f8$   $\mathbb{Q}f6\neq$

**3393. (H≠7.5, Václav Kotesovec)**

4q3/6K1/8/4k3/8/8/g2n4/8

1...  $\mathbb{Q}f6$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}f5$   $\mathbb{Q}g5$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}h5+$   $\mathbb{Q}f4$  4.  $\mathbb{Q}f3+$   $\mathbb{Q}e3$  5.  $\mathbb{Q}g4$   $\mathbb{Q}f2$  6.  $\mathbb{Q}g2$   $\mathbb{Q}f1$  7.  $\mathbb{Q}g5$   $\mathbb{Q}g2$  8.  $\mathbb{Q}h4$

$\mathbb{Q}h3\neq$  1...  $\mathbb{Q}f7$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}f8$   $\mathbb{Q}e6$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}f7+$   $\mathbb{Q}d5$  4.  $\mathbb{Q}c4+$   $\mathbb{Q}e4$  5.  $\mathbb{Q}f6$   $\mathbb{Q}d5$  6.  $\mathbb{Q}d6$   $\mathbb{Q}c6$  7.  $\mathbb{Q}e7$   $\mathbb{Q}c7$

8.  $\mathbb{Q}e8$   $\mathbb{Q}d8\neq$  1...  $\mathbb{Q}f8$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}e4$   $\mathbb{Q}f7$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}f6+$   $\mathbb{Q}g7$  4.  $\mathbb{Q}h8+$   $\mathbb{Q}f7$  5.  $\mathbb{Q}g8+$   $\mathbb{Q}e6$  6.  $\mathbb{Q}g7$   $\mathbb{Q}f5$  7.  $\mathbb{Q}f6$

$\mathbb{Q}g5$  8.  $\mathbb{Q}h7$   $\mathbb{Q}h6\neq$

**3394. (Serie-H=16, Tibor Ersek)**

8/7p/8/r1k5/7Q/Ppp2N2/p3B1Pp/B3bb1K

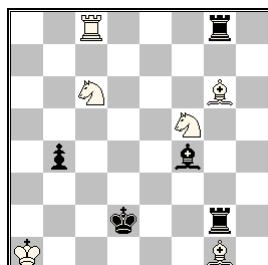
1.  $\mathbb{Q}xa3$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}a4$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}g4$  4.  $\mathbb{Q}b4$  5.  $\mathbb{Q}a3$  6.  $\mathbb{Q}xg2$  7.  $\mathbb{Q}g5$  8.  $\mathbb{Q}h3$  9.  $\mathbb{Q}f5$  10.  $\mathbb{Q}b1$  11.  $c2$  12.  $\mathbb{Q}c3$   
13.  $\mathbb{Q}xa1$  14.  $\mathbb{Q}b2$  15.  $\mathbb{Q}c1$  16.  $b2$   $\mathbb{Q}h6=$ **3395. (Serie-H=9, Rolf Kohring)**

8/7B/2n5/8/3k3K/8/8/5R2

1.  $\mathbb{Q}e3$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}d4$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}e2$  4.  $\mathbb{Q}g1$  5.  $\mathbb{Q}e2$  6.  $\mathbb{Q}xf1(\mathbb{Q}h1)$  7.  $\mathbb{Q}g2$  8.  $\mathbb{Q}h3$  9.  $\mathbb{Q}f2$   $\mathbb{Q}e4\neq$ **Verdetto H≠2 e H=2 Best Problems 2012 – 2013**

di Francesco Simoni

Hanno partecipato a questo concorso 112 H≠2, un H≠1,5 e un H=2, tra cui alcune versioni. Dopo un primo esame sono rimasti in gara una trentina di problemi, tra cui ho scelto quelli entrati in classifica. Ho dovuto escludere, tra gli altri, il N°2845, candidato per un buon piazzamento, perché si può migliorare la costruzione in modo significativo, ad esempio 1n6/rrRB2Kn/pP3p2/5p2/pkPb1/5p2/1b4N1/8.

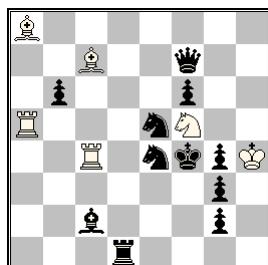
**← 3007 - Gabriele Brunori**1<sup>st</sup> Prize Best Problems 2013

2R3r1/8/2N3B1/5N2/1p3b2/8/3k2r1/K5B1

H≠2 (6+5) C+

1.  $\mathbb{Q}c3$   $\mathbb{Q}fd4$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}d2$   $\mathbb{Q}d8\neq$  1.  $\mathbb{Q}d3$   $\mathbb{Q}cd4$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}d2$   $\mathbb{Q}g7\neq$ 

Un lavoro molto fine in cui due batterie bianche si aprono in successione, scambiandosi le funzioni di batteria diretta o indiretta nelle due soluzioni. Le prime mosse bianche sono giocate dai due cavalli nella stessa casa: ciò costituisce un apprezzabile motivo di unione, non una mera ripetizione, perché lo scopo è controllare case distinte. Assai elegante il matto finale di batteria con ostruzione pura del pezzo mobile alla Tg8, che viene sfruttata in due diverse direzioni. Eccellenti l'economia e la reciprocità.

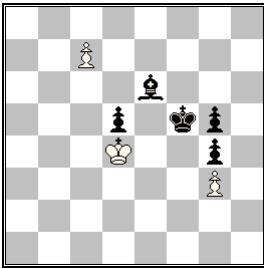
**← 3050 - Jorge M. Kapros**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize Best Problems 2013

B7/2B2q2/1p3p2/R3nN2/2R1nkpK/6p1/2b3p1/3r4

H≠2 (6+11) C+

1.  $\mathbb{Q}xc4$   $\mathbb{Q}xe5$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}d2$   $\mathbb{Q}c5\neq$  1.  $\mathbb{Q}xc7$   $\mathbb{Q}xe4$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}d3$   $\mathbb{Q}c6\neq$ 

Lo schema è familiare, ma il gioco che segue mi risulta sufficientemente originale. La donna nera schioda un pezzo compagno catturando quello inchiodante e acquisisce preventivamente il controllo della batteria che il bianco formerà subito dopo. In tal modo la mossa mattante sarà precisata dalla necessità di ostruire la donna. Il pezzo schiodato muove per interferire ed eliminare così un secondo controllo della batteria. Ottime l'economia e la reciprocità.



← 3085 - Valerio Agostini

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize Best Problems 2013

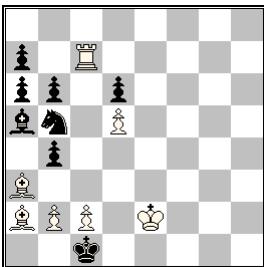
8/2P5/4b3/3p1kp1/3K2p1/6P1/8/8

H=2 (3+5) C+ b) ♜c7-e7

a) 1. ♜d7 c8= 2. ♜c6 ♜xc6= 1. ♜g6 c8= 2. ♜h5 ♜xe6=

b) 1. ♜d7 e8= 2. ♜c6 ♜xc6= 1. ♜g6 e8= 2. ♜h5 ♜xe6=

Sorprendente ed alquanto insolita realizzazione, che mi ha persuaso ad assegnargli un premio, nonostante la sua apparente semplicità. Cambiando la casa di promozione del pedone, si invertono le promozioni a Donna o Torre sulle stesse sequenze di mosse nere, con stalli finali ad eco.



← 3092 - Almíro Zarur

1<sup>st</sup> Hon. Mention Best Problems 2013

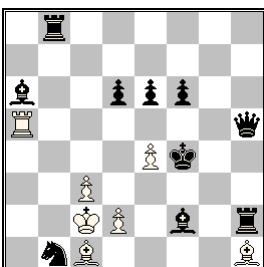
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H≠2\* (7+8) C+

1...c3 2. ♜d4+ cxd4# 1...c4 2. ♜c2 cxb5#

1. ♜c3+ bxc3+ 2. ♜xc2 cxb4# 1. ♜d4+ ♜e1 2. ♜b3 cxb3#

Quattro sacrifici del cavallo nero sono ripartiti tra le due soluzioni del GA e le due del GR, per consentire lo sfruttamento di batterie aventi i pedoni come pezzi frontali.



← 2945 - Christer Jonsson

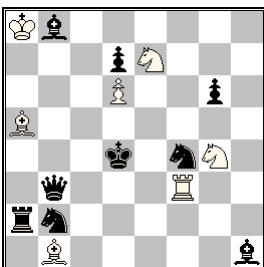
2<sup>nd</sup> Hon. Mention Best Problems 2012

1r6/8/b2ppp2/R6q/4Pk2/2P5/2KP1b1r/1nB4B

H≠2 (7+10) C+

1. ♜c5 ♜g2 2. ♜e5 d4# 1. ♜f3 ♜b5 2. ♜xe4 d3#

Autoinchiodature anticipate su due diverse linee, con buon sfruttamento di una batteria bianca indiretta, per controllare la casa di provenienza del Re nero, e matti finali di un pedone bianco. Due pezzi bianchi si alternano per inchiodare o ostruire una linea, ma in un caso l'ostruzione comporta piuttosto la schiodatura del pedone mattante.



← 3005 - Alberto Armeni

3<sup>rd</sup> Hon. Mention Best Problems 2013

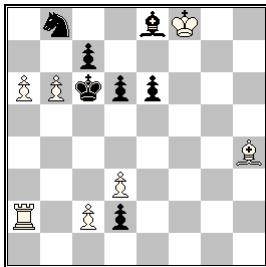
Kb6/3pN3/3P2p1/B7/3k1nN1/1q3R2/rn6/1B5b

H≠2 (7+9) C+

1. ♜a4 ♜b4 2. ♜g2 ♜xf4# 1. ♜d5 ♜c3 2. g5 ♜f5#

1. ♜a7 ♜e1 2. ♜c4 ♜f2# 1. ♜g2 ♜f5 2. ♜c4 ♜d5#

Il motivo di unione è dato dalla schiodatura bianca in B1. Il resto del contenuto è eterogeneo, ma l'insieme appare ben concepito.



← 2999 - Valerio Agostini

4<sup>th</sup> Hon. Mention *Best Problems* 2013

1n2bK2/2p5/PPkpp3/8/7B/3P4/R1Pp4/8

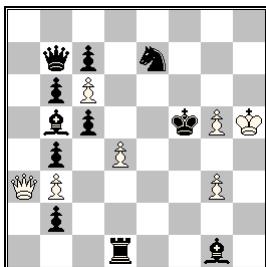
H≠2 (7+7) C+ b) ♜h4-a7, c) ♜h4-g1

a) 1. ♜xb6 c4 2. ♜c6 ♜f2≠

b) 1. ♜c5 c3 2. c6 ♜a5≠

c) 1. ♜d5 ♜b2 2. ♜c6 ♜b5≠

Tre eleganti soluzioni in cui alla mossa di Re (su tre diverse case) segue un autoblocco nella stessa casa con un pezzo diverso. L'assunto è facilitato dai gemelli, ma la realizzazione appare impeccabile.



← 2895 - Alberto Armeni

5<sup>th</sup> Hon. Mention *Best Problems* 2012

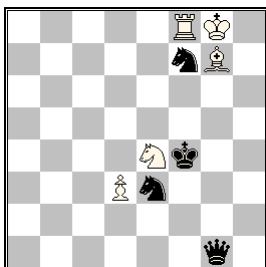
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H≠2 (7+11) C+

1. ♜xd4 ♜xb4 2. ♜e5 ♜g4≠ 1. ♜xd4 ♜xb2 2. ♜e4 ♜f6≠

1. ♜xc6 ♜a4 2. ♜e4 ♜d7≠ 1. ♜xc6 ♜a8 2. ♜e6 ♜f3≠

Annichilazione di un pedone bianco ed autoblocco con sgombro della linea conquistata dalla donna. Strategia intrinsecamente non molto complessa, ma l'insieme, con tante soluzioni, appare piacevole.



← 3009 - Jorge M. Kapros, Christer Jonsson

6<sup>th</sup> Hon. Mention *Best Problems* 2013

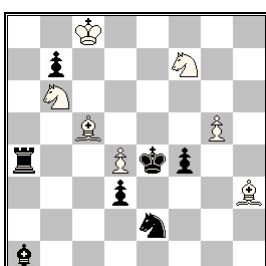
5RK1/5nB1/8/8/4Nk2/3Pn3/8/6q1

H≠2 (5+4) C+

1. ♜g4 ♜f6 2. ♜fe5 ♜g5≠

1. ♜g4 ♜f6 2. ♜g5 ♜h5≠

Autoblocchi seguiti da schiodature, autoblocchi del pezzo schiодato e matti di batteria per scacco doppio. Ottima l'economia.



← 3052 - Valerio Agostini, Gabriele Brunori

7<sup>th</sup> Hon. Mention *Best Problems* 2013 (v)

2K5/1p3N2/1N6/2B3P1/r2Pkp2/3p3B/4n3/b7

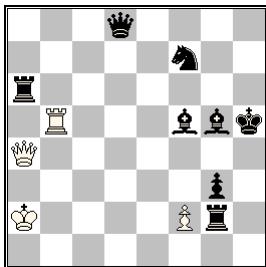
H≠2 (7+7) C+

1. ♜xd4 ♜e6 2. ♜f5 ♜d5≠

1. ♜xd4 g6 2. ♜e5 ♜g5≠

1. ♜xd4 ♜c4 2. ♜d5 ♜d2≠

Annichilazione di un pedone bianco ad opera di tre diversi pezzi neri, che muovono successivamente per aprire la linea e bloccare case distinte. Anche in questo caso, al contenuto non particolarmente complesso si contrappone una realizzazione convincente, senza ricorso ai gemelli.



← 3136 - Michael Shapiro

8<sup>th</sup> Hon. Mention *Best Problems* 2013

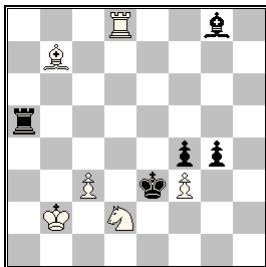
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H≠2 (4+8) C+

1. ♕c2 fxg3 2. ♜g6 ♛h4≠

1. ♕d2 f3 2. ♜h6 ♛g4≠

Un lavoro molto lineare e ben concepito, in cui il gioco ruota attorno a una seminchiodatura nera.



← 2787 - Pier Giorgio Soranzo, Antonio Garofalo

1<sup>st</sup> Commend. *Best Problems* 2012

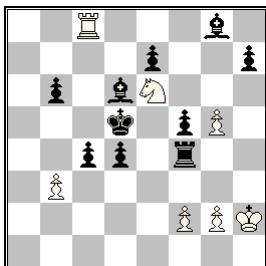
3R2b1/1B6/8/r7/5pp1/2P1kP2/1K1N4/8

H≠2 (6+5) C+ b) ♜d2-e1

a) 1. ♜d5 ♜f1+ 2. ♔d3 ♜a6≠

b) 1. ♜d5 fxg4 2. ♜e4 ♜e8≠

Autoinchiodature anticipate con Grimshaw nel punto di incrocio di due linee bianche, con la Torre e l'Alfiere bianchi che si scambiano le funzioni di pezzo inchiodante e pezzo mattante.



← 2949 - Zoltán Labai

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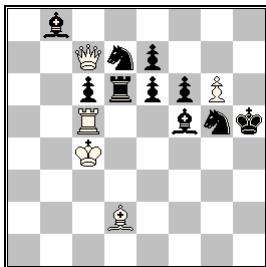
2R3b1/4p2p/1p1bN3/3k1pP1/2pp1r2/1P6/5PPK/8

H≠2 (7+10) C+ b) ♜d4-e5

a) 1. ♜e4+ f4 2. ♜xe6 bxc4≠

b) 1. ♜e4 ♜xf4 2. e6 ♜xc4≠

I tratti omologhi sono giocati nelle stesse case. Non facile, ma il contenuto strategico delle due soluzioni è difforme e la realizzazione per gemelli diminuisce a mio parere il fascino dell'idea, anche se il meccanismo gemellare non coinvolge un pezzo tematico.



← 2876 - Abdelaziz Onkoud

3<sup>rd</sup> Commend. *Best Problems* 2012 (v)

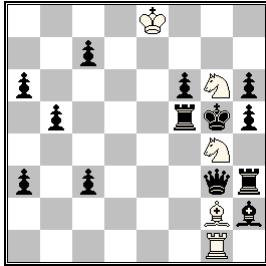
1b6/2Qnp3/2prpp1/2R2bnk/2K5/8/3B4/8

H≠2 (5+10) C+

1. ♜xc5 ♜xe7 2. ♜h6 ♜h7≠

1. ♜xd2 ♜g3 2. ♜xg6 ♜h3≠

Sgomberi di linea con eliminazione del pezzo ridondante e auto- inchiodature.



← 3090 - Ricardo Vieira

4<sup>th</sup> Commend. *Best Problems 2013*

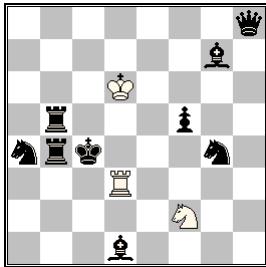
4K3/2p5/p4pNp/1p3rkp/6N1/p1p3qr/6Bb/6R1

H≠2 (5+13) C+

1. ♕d3 ♜xh2 2. ♖hf3 ♜xf3≠

1. ♕d6 ♜xh3 2. ♖e5 ♜4xe5≠

I pedoni che bloccano la donna sono inevitabili, ma diminuiscono alquanto l'attrattiva di questo lavoro con Bristol neri e semi-batteria bianca. Un po' brutale, per le catture in successione.



← 3044 - Pietro Luciano Placanico

5<sup>th</sup> Commend. *Best Problems 2013*

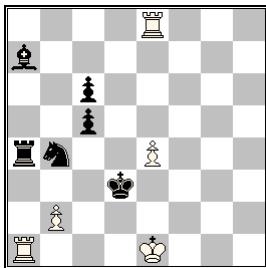
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H≠2 (3+9) C+

1. ♜f6 ♜g4 2. ♜c5 ♜e5≠

1. ♜b3 ♜d1 2. ♜c3 ♜b2≠

Interferenze e Umnov ben motivato, necessario per evitare l'inversione. Gradevole e ben costruito.



← 3127 - Dmitry Grinchenko

6<sup>th</sup> Commend. *Best Problems 2013*

4R3/b7/2p5/2p5/rn2P3/3k4/1P6/R3K3

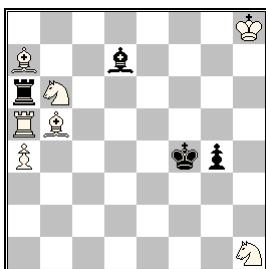
H≠2 (5+6) C+

1. ♜c2+ ♜f2 2. ♜c4 ♜d1≠

1. ♜d5 exd5 2. c4 0-0-0≠

1. ♜a6 ♜c1 2. ♜d4 ♜c3≠

Autoblocchi con duale evitato in due soluzioni, con i matti ♜d1 e 0-0-0 sottilmente differenziati. Entrambe le prime mosse del ♜b4 in queste due soluzioni evitano il matto ♜c3, che invece sarà l'unico possibile nella terza soluzione.



← 2842 - Valerio Agostini, Antonio Garofalo

7<sup>th</sup> Commend. *Best Problems 2012*

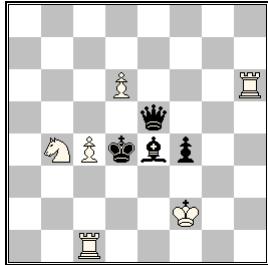
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H≠2 (7+4) C+ b) ♜h1-g5

a) 1. ♜xb6 ♜d3 2. ♜e6 ♜f5≠

b) 1. ♜xb5 ♜c4 2. ♜c6 ♜b8≠

Eliminazione di un pezzo bianco ridondante seguita dallo sgombero di linea con interferenza.



← 2953 - Valerio Agostini

8<sup>th</sup> Commend. *Best Problems* 2012

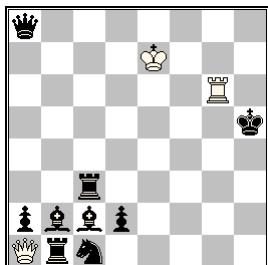
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H≠2 (6+4) C+ -Δc4

a) 1. ♕f5 ♜e1 2. ♔e5 ♖c6≠

b) 1. ♕f5 ♜e6 2. ♔e4 ♖c4≠

Autoblocchi nella stessa casa sono il preludio a matti finali sotto inchiodatura, con il re nero su case diverse.



← 3086 - Luis Miguel Martin

9<sup>th</sup> Commend. *Best Problems* 2013

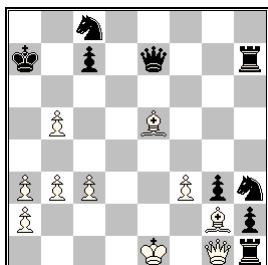
q7/4K3/6R1/7k/8/2r5/pbbp4/Qrn5

H≠2 (3+9) C+

1. ♗d3 ♜g2 2. ♜h1 ♛xh1≠

1. ♜d3 ♜g8 2. ♜h8 ♛xh8≠

I matti con mosse lunghe di donna tra i cantoni sono resi possibili dal doppio sgombro di linea. Ben congegnate le ostruzioni alla donna nera in ortogonale-diagonale.



← 2847 - Igor Vereshchagin, Andreï Frolikin

10<sup>th</sup> Commend. *Best Problems* 2012

2n5/k1p1q2r/8/1P2B3/8/PPP2Ppn/P5Bp/4K1Qr

H≠2 (10+9) C+ b) ♖f3-f4

a) 1. ♔b7 f4+ 2. c6 ♖xc6≠

b) 1.c5 bxc6 e.p.+ 2. ♔a8 c7≠

Per giustificare la posizione con mossa al nero è necessaria la retroanalisi. L'ultima mossa bianca possibile è la spinta del pedone che viene spostato nel gemello.

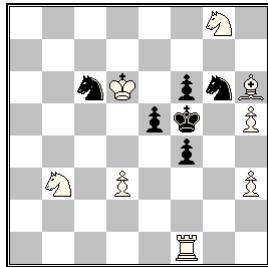
Bologna, 1/9/2014, I. J. Francesco Simoni

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## Best Problems ≠3 2010-2012 Award

by Antonio Garofalo

A questo concorso hanno partecipato 23 compositori con 36 problemi; il livello è stato piuttosto basso. Unica luce nelle tenebre il problema premiato. Qui di seguito la mia classifica.



← 2527 – Prize, Valerio Agostini

*Best Problems 56 (Oct. 10)*

6N1/8/2nK1pnB/4pk1P/5p2/1N1P3P/8/5R2

≠3 (8+6) C+

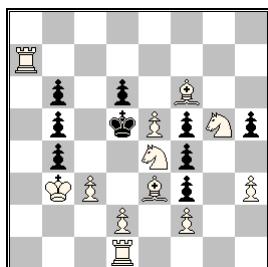
1. ♜f3! tempo

1... ♜c~ 2. ♜xf4+ ♜xf4 3. ♜e7≠ (A) 2... exf4 3. ♜d4≠ (B)

1... e4 2. ♜e7+ ♜cxe7 3. ♜d4≠ (B) 2... ♜gxe7 3. ♜xf4≠ (C)

1... ♜g~ 2. ♜d4+ exd4 3. ♜xf4≠ (C) 2... ♜xd4 3. ♜e7≠ (A)

Ciclo di matti, tema ormai vetusto ma qui l'Autore lo ha realizzato in maniera molto economica.



← 2774 – 1<sup>st</sup> Hon. Mention, Jorma Pitkanen

*Best Problems 61 (Jan. 12)*

8/R7/1p1p1B2/1p1kPpNp/1p2Np2/1KP1Bp1P/3P1P2/3R4

≠3 (12+9) C+

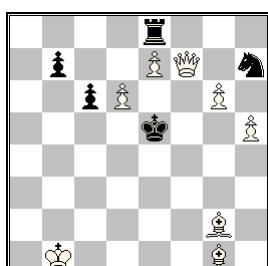
1. ♜c7! tempo

1... h4 2. ♜xd6 fxe3 3. dxе3≠ 2... bxc3 3. dxc3≠

1... fxe4 2. d3 [3. dxе4≠] exd3 3. ♜xd3≠

1... dxе5 2. d4 [3. dxе5≠] exd4 3. ♜xd4≠

Un simpatico tema Albino. Peccato la chiave che toglie fuga.



← 2526 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Hon. Mention, Leonid Makaronez

*Best Problems 56 (Oct. 10)*

4r3/1p2PQ1n/2pP2P1/4k2P/8/8/6B1/1K4B1

≠3 (8+5) C+

1. ♜h3! [2. ♜e6+ ♜f4 3. ♜e3≠]

1... ♜g5 2. ♜f6+ ♜e4 3. ♜f5≠

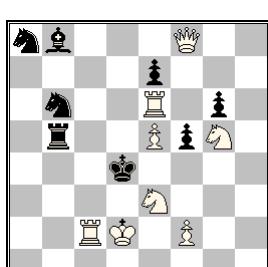
2... ♜d5 3. ♜d4≠ 2... ♜xf6 3. ♜d4≠

1... ♜f8 2. ♜c5 [3. ♜f5≠] ♜e4 3. ♜f5≠

1... ♜xe7 2. ♜xe7+ ♜f4 3. ♜e3≠ 2... ♜d5 3. ♜e6≠

1... ♜xd6 2. ♜e6+ ♜c7 3. ♜e5≠

Sfortunatamente c'è casa di fuga non parata nella posizione di partenza.



← 2887 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Hon. Mention, Valery A. Kirillov

*Best Problems 63 (Jul. 12)*

nb3Q2/4p3/1n2R1p1/1r2PpN1/3k4/4N3/2RK1P2/8

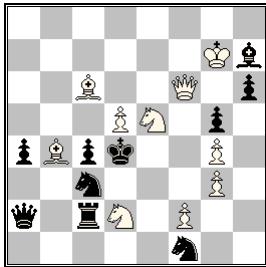
≠3 (8+8) C+

1. ♜h8! [2. ♜h4+ f4 3. ♜xf4≠]

1... ♜xe5 2. ♜xa8 [3. ♜f3≠] ♜d5 3. ♜a1≠

1... ♜xe5 2. ♜h1 [3. ♜a1≠] ♜xe3 3. fxe3≠

La Regina gioca nei 4 angoli.



← 2528 – 4<sup>th</sup> Hon. Mention, Zoltán Labai

*Best Problems 56 (Oct. 10)*

8/6Kb/2B2Q1p/3PN1p1/pBpk2P1/2n3P1/q1rN1P2/5n2

≠3 (10+10) C+

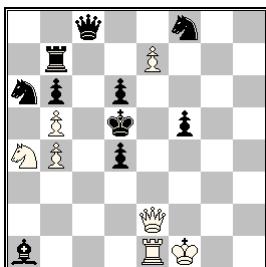
1. ♕f1! [2. ♔d3+ ♖xe5 3. ♔f3≠]

2... ♖xd3 3. ♔ef3≠ 2... cxd3 3. ♔ef3≠]

1... ♖e4 2. ♕xe4+ ♖xe4 3. ♔df3≠

1... ♖xd2 2. ♕xc3+ ♖e4 3. f3≠

Chiave ampliativa.



← 2578 – 1st Commend. Jaakko Raisanen, Jorma Pitkanen

*Best Problems 57 (Jan. 11)*

2q2n2/1r2P3/np1p4/1P1k1p2/NP1p4/8/4Q3/b3RK2

≠3 (7+10) C+

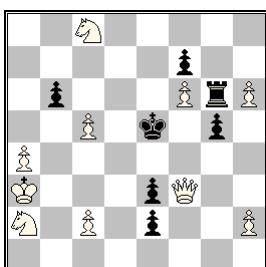
1.e8=♕! [2. ♔f6≠]

1... ♔h7 2. ♔c7+

2... ♖xc7 3. ♕a2≠ 2... ♖xc7 3. ♔xb6≠ 2... ♖xc7 3. ♕e6≠

1... d3 2. ♖xd3+ ♖d4 3. ♔f6≠

Tre difese sulla casa 'c7'.



← 2722 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Commend. Arieh Grinblat

*Best Problems 60 (oct. 11)*

2N5/5p2/1p3PrP/2P1k1p1/P7/K3pQ2/N1P1p2P/8

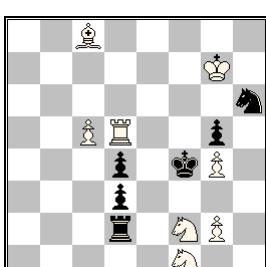
≠3 (10+7) C+

1. ♔d6? [2. ♕f5+, ♖e4+] ma 1... bxc5!

1. ♔c3? [2. ♕e4+, ♖d5+] ma 1... ♖xh6!

1. ♔e7! [2. ♕d5+, ♖f5+]

Ciclo di minacce doppie.



← 2886 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Commend. Zoltán Labai

*Best Problems 63 (Jul. 12)*

2B5/6K1/7n/2PR2p1/3p1kP1/3p4/3r1NP1/5N2

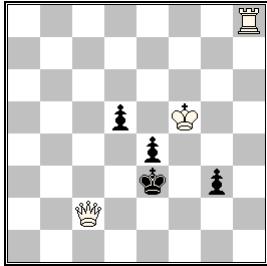
≠3 (8+6) C+

1. ♖b7! [2. ♖xd4+ ♖e5 3. ♖e4≠]

1... ♖xg4 2. ♖h3+ ♖e4 3. ♖xg5≠

1... ♖e2 2.g3+ ♖f3 3. ♖f5≠

Matti di batteria. Il Re nero viene forzato a muovere sulla linea della batteria.



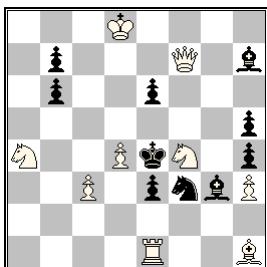
← 2374 – 4<sup>th</sup> Commend. Ivan Borisenko, Vitaly Ivanovich Shevchenko, Alexandre Melnichuk

*Best Problems 53 (Jan. 10)*

7R/8/8/3p1K2/4p3/4k1p1/2Q5/8

≠3 (3+4) C+

1. ♜h4? tempo 1... ♛f3 2. ♜d2 [3. ♜f4≠] g2 3. ♜h3≠
- 1... g2 2. ♜h3+ ♛d4 3. ♜c3≠
- 1... d4 2. ♜xe4+ ♛f3 3. ♜e2≠ ma 1... ♛d4!
1. ♜g8? [2. ♜xg3+ ♛d4 3. ♜c3≠]
- 1... ♛d4 2. ♜xg3 [3. ♜c3≠] e3 3. ♜g4≠ ma 1... ♛f3!
1. ♜b8? [2. ♜b3+ ♛d4 3. ♜c3≠]
- 1... ♛f3 2. ♜b2 [3. ♜e2≠] ♛e3 3. ♜c3≠ 2... g2 3. ♜f2≠
- 1... ♛d4 2. ♜b3 [3. ♜c3≠] 2. ♜f4 [3. ♜b4≠] ma 1... d4!
1. ♜g4? tempo 1... g2 2. ♜h3+ ♛d4 3. ♜c3≠
- 1... d4 2. ♜xg3 d3 3. ♜f2≠ ma 1... ♛d4!
1. ♜h1! tempo 1... ♛f3 2. ♜d2 [3. ♜f1≠] g2 3. ♜h3≠
- 1... ♛d4 2. ♜f4 [3. ♜d1≠] 1... g2 2. ♜h3+ ♛d4 3. ♜c3≠ 1... d4
2. ♜e1+ ♛f3 3. ♜e2≠ Un problema con molti tentativi, i quali però non mi sembrano coerenti e tematici.



← 2577 – 5<sup>th</sup> Commend. Mikhaïl Marandyuk

*Best Problems 57 (Jan. 11)*

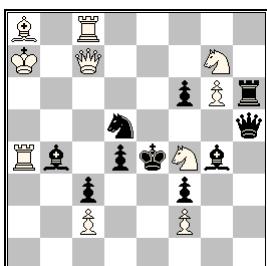
3K4/1p3Q1b/1p2p3/7p/N2PkN1p/2P1pnBP/8/4R2B

≠3 (9+10) C+

1. ♜b2! [2. ♜xh5 [3. ♜e5≠] ♛xf4 3. ♜xf3≠
- 2... ♜f5 3. ♜xf3≠ 2... ♛xf4 3. ♜g4≠]
- 1... ♛xf4 2. ♜xe6+ ♜e5 3. ♜xe5≠
- 1... ♛f5 2. ♜c7 [3. ♜e5≠] ♛xf4 3. ♜xb7≠
- 1... ♛g6 2. ♜xg6+ ♛xf4 3. ♜d3≠ 1... e5 2. ♜fd3 [3. ♜xf3≠]
3. ♜xf3≠ ♛f4 3. ♜f2≠ 2... ♜f5 3. ♜xb7≠

Bella la complessa minaccia dopo la chiave.

Duale nella minaccia in una variante secondaria.



← 2628 – 6<sup>th</sup> Commend. Valery I. Rezinkin

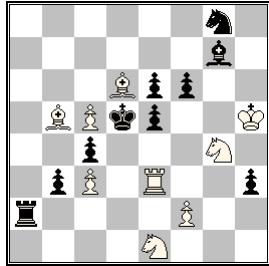
*Best Problems 58 (Apr. 11)*

B1R5/K1Q3N1/5pPr/3n3q/Rb1pkNb1/2p2p2/2P2P2/8

≠3 (10+10) C+

1. ♜d3! [2. ♜f4≠]
- 1... ♜d6 2. ♜xd4+ ♛xd4 3. ♜c4≠
- 1... ♜h2 2. ♜xd5+ ♛xd5 3. ♜c6≠
- 1... ♜e5 2. ♜xd5+ ♛xd5 3. ♜c6≠ 2... ♜xd5 3. ♜f4≠
- 1... ♜f5 2. ♜xd5+ ♛xd5 3. ♜c6à 2... ♜xd5 3. ♜f4≠
- 1... ♜g5 2. ♜xd5+ ♛xd5 3. ♜c6≠ 2... ♜xd5 3. ♜f4≠

Molte difese inutili della Donna nera.

**2721 – 7<sup>th</sup> Commend. Arieh Grinblat***Best Problems 60 (Oct. 11)*

6n1/6b1/3Bpp2/1BPkp2K/2p3N1/1pP1R2p/r4P2/4N3

≠3 (9+10) C+

1.f3! [2.  $\mathbb{Q}d3+$  cxd3 3.  $\mathbb{Q}e3\neq$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xe5+$  fxe5 3.  $\mathbb{Q}e3\neq$ ]1...  $\mathbb{Q}h6$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xe5$  [3.  $\mathbb{Q}xc4\neq$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}c6\neq$ ] fxe5 3.  $\mathbb{Q}xe5\neq$ 1...  $\mathbb{Q}e2$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}d3$  [3.  $\mathbb{Q}b4\neq$ ] cxd3 3.  $\mathbb{Q}xd3\neq$ 

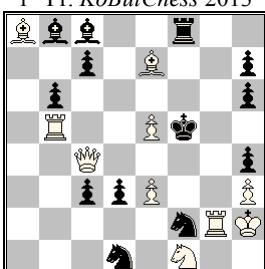
Cambio di mossa sulle case 'd3' e 'e5'.

Antipatica doppia minaccia indicata in grassetto.

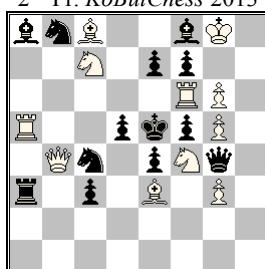
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H≠3 (4+12) C+

**2) R. Riva**1<sup>st</sup> Pr. *KoBuChess* 2013

≠2 (10+13) C+

**3) F. Simoni**2<sup>nd</sup> Pr. *KoBuChess* 2013

≠2 (11+13) C+

**1) Valerio Agostini**

3qk3/5b2/ppn5/1Bppnp2/8/4R3/r1r1R2K/8

1.  $\mathbb{Q}d7$   $\mathbb{Q}c3$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}e7$   $\mathbb{Q}xc5$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}c4$   $\mathbb{Q}c8\neq$  1.  $\mathbb{Q}e7$   $\mathbb{Q}a3$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}d7$   $\mathbb{Q}xa6$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}a5$   $\mathbb{Q}a8\neq$ 

Eccellente gioco di schiodatura e reinchiodatura dei Cavalli, su linea diversa da quella iniziale; gli stessi Cavalli si scambiano le funzioni andando infine a interferire un Torre.

**2) Rodolfo Riva**

Bbb2r2/2p1B2p/1p5p/1R2Pk2/2Q4p/2ppP2P/5nRK/3n1N2

1.  $\mathbb{Q}c6?$  [2.  $\mathbb{Q}e6\neq$ ] 1...  $\mathbb{Q}xe3$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xf2\neq$  1...  $\mathbb{Q}g4+$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}hxg4\neq$  1...  $\mathbb{Q}a6$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}d7\neq$  1...  $\mathbb{Q}e6$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}f3\neq$ 1...  $\mathbb{Q}d8$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}f6\neq$  ma 1...  $\mathbb{Q}e4!$ 1.  $\mathbb{Q}c6!$  [2.  $\mathbb{Q}e6\neq$ ] 1...  $\mathbb{Q}xe3$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xe3\neq$  1...  $\mathbb{Q}g4+$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xg4\neq$  1...  $\mathbb{Q}a6$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}d7\neq$  1...  $\mathbb{Q}e6$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}f4\neq$ 1...  $\mathbb{Q}d8$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}f7\neq$  1...  $\mathbb{Q}e4$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xe4\neq$ 

Five mate changes are always a significant achievement and this is presented here in an interesting and pleasant way. Both try and solution block  $\mathbb{Q}c7$  to enable the threat with the  $\mathbb{Q}/\mathbb{Q}$  battery. The play around the squares e4 and e6, including the interference of the  $\mathbb{Q}$  by the  $\mathbb{Q}$ , is notable. (Judge: Paz Einat)

**3) Francesco Simoni**

bnB2bK1/2N1pp2/5RP1/R2pkpP1/1Qn1pNq1/r1p1B1P1/8/

1.  $\mathbb{Q}b5?$  [2.  $\mathbb{Q}d4\#$ ] 1...  $\mathbb{Q}xe3$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}d4\neq$  1...  $\mathbb{Q}d1$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xf5\neq$  1...  $\mathbb{Q}xg3$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xf5\neq$  ma 1...  $\mathbb{Q}c6!$

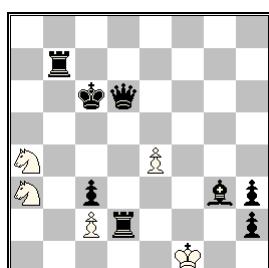
1.  $\mathbb{Q}ce6?$  [2.  $\mathbb{Q}d4\#$ ] 1...  $\mathbb{Q}xe3$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xb8\#$  1...  $\mathbb{Q}c6$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xd5\neq$  1...  $\mathbb{Q}xe6$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xe6\neq$  ma 1...  $\mathbb{Q}d1!$

1.  $\mathbb{Q}fe6?$  [2.  $\mathbb{Q}d4\#$ ] 1...  $\mathbb{Q}c6$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xd5\neq$  1...  $\mathbb{Q}d1$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}f4\neq$  1...  $\mathbb{Q}xe6$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xe6\neq$  ma 1...  $\mathbb{Q}xe3!$

1.  $\mathbb{Q}e2!$  [2.  $\mathbb{Q}d4\#$ ] 1...  $\mathbb{Q}xe3$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}d4\neq$  1...  $\mathbb{Q}c6$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xd5\neq$  1...  $\mathbb{Q}xe2$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xf5\neq$

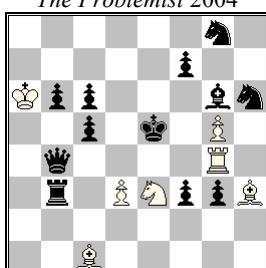
The two  $\mathbb{W}\mathbb{Q}$ 's can guard d4 in four ways, and threat 2.  $\mathbb{Q}d4\#$  but three of these possibilities are tries. Each try key causes a double self-interference but only one of these is used for the refutations. Thus, one of the self-interferences is compensated by an additional positive motif enabling a different, and changed, mate. After 1.  $\mathbb{Q}b5?$  the closing of the b4-b8 line is compensated by guarding of d4 enabling 1...  $\mathbb{Q}xe3$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}d4\neq$  but the closing of the a5-d5 line causes 1...  $\mathbb{Q}c6$  to refute. After 1.  $\mathbb{Q}ce6?$  the closing of the f6-d6 line is compensated by the opening of the b8-e5 line enabling 1...  $\mathbb{Q}xe3$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xb8\#$  but the closing of the c8-f5 line causes 1...  $\mathbb{Q}d1!$  to refute. After 1.  $\mathbb{Q}fe6?$  the closing of the b8-f5 line is compensated by the guard of d4 & evacuation of f4 enabling 1...  $\mathbb{Q}d1$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}f4\neq$  but the closing of f6-d6 causes 1...  $\mathbb{Q}xe3!$  to refute. Overall, we see in the tries good dual avoidance, mate changes and interesting & original play. The key doesn't close any white line but a potential dual by 1...  $\mathbb{Q}d1$  is avoided since only 1...  $\mathbb{Q}xe2$  is a possible defense. (Judge: Paz Einat)

**4) V. Rallo - 2<sup>nd</sup> Pr. L'Italia  
Scacchistica 2005-06**



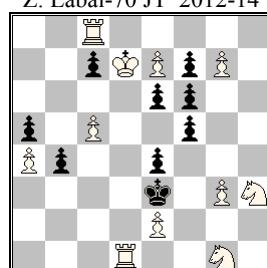
H#3 (5+8) C+ b)  $\mathbb{Q}ad6$

**5) M. Parrinello  
1<sup>st</sup> Hon. Mention  
The Problemist 2004**



H#2 (7+12) C+

**6) V. Agostini &  
S. Mariani - 4<sup>th</sup> Commend.  
Z. Labai-70 JT 2012-14**



#3 vv (11+9) C+

**4) Vito Rallo**

8/1n6/2kq4/8/N3P3/N1p3bp/2Pr3p/5K2

a) 1.  $\mathbb{Q}c7$   $\mathbb{Q}b5$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}d7$   $\mathbb{Q}e2$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}d6$   $\mathbb{Q}d4\neq$  b) 1.  $\mathbb{Q}b5$   $\mathbb{Q}c4$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}c7$   $\mathbb{Q}e1$  3.  $\mathbb{Q}d6$   $\mathbb{Q}e5\neq$

Ottima azione manovrata di autoblocco dei pezzi neri, ma il protagonista è il Re bianco con le sue mosse di attesa. Costruzione essenziale e impeccabile. (Judge: Alessandro Cuppini)

Interferenza Grimshaw in d6 effettuata dagli stessi due pezzi che permettono al Re bianco le mosse d'attesa (NdR).

**5) Mario Parrinello**

6n1/5p2/Kpp3bn/2p1k1P1/1q4R1/1r1PNppB/8/2B5

1.  $\mathbb{Q}f4$   $\mathbb{Q}xf4$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xf4$   $\mathbb{Q}c4\neq$  1.  $\mathbb{Q}f5$   $\mathbb{Q}xf5$  2.  $\mathbb{Q}xf5$   $\mathbb{Q}e4\neq$

Zajic theme with pseudo Zilahi in combination with indirect batteries in the diagram position and direct battery mates. The position can be improved: 4r3/1p3bn1/1n1k1P2/q4R1p/2PNpp2/1K5B /8/B7 1.  $\mathbb{Q}e5$  and 1.  $\mathbb{Q}e6$ . (Judge: Zoran Gavrilovski)

**6) Valerio Agostini & Stefano Mariani**

2R5/2pKPpP1/4pp2/p1P2p2/Pp2p3/4k1PN/4P3/3R2N1

1.g8=♕? tempo 1...f4 2.gxf4 [3.♕g3≠] 1...e5 2.♕xf7 [3.♕b3≠] ma 1...c6!

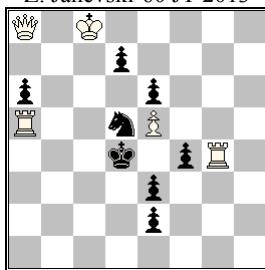
1.g8=? tempo 1...f4 2.♕xf6 [3.♕g4≠] 1...e5 2.♕h6 [3.♕xf5≠] ma 1...c6!

1.e8=? tempo 1...f4 2.♕xf6 [3.♕g4≠] 1...e5 2.♕xc7 [3.♕d5≠]

1...c6 2.♕d6 [3.♕c4≠] 1...b3 2.♕b8 [3.♕xb3≠]

**7) A. Garofalo - 1<sup>st</sup> Commend.**

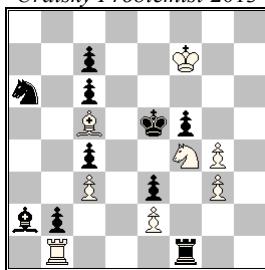
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H≠2 (5+8) C+

**8) A. Armeni - 4<sup>th</sup> Pr.**

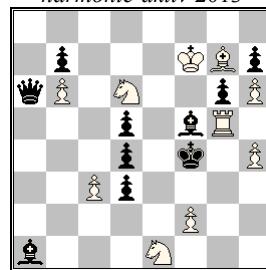
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H≠2 (8+10) C+

**9) R. Riva - 7<sup>th</sup> Pr.**

harmonie-aktiv 2013



≠7 (10+10) C+

**7) Antonio Garofalo**

Q1K5/3p4/p3p3/R2nP3/3k1pR1/4p3/4p3/8

1.♔e4 ♔a4+ 2.♔f3 ♕axf4≠ 1.♔xe5 ♕b8+ 2.♔f5 ♕xf4≠

A diagonal/orthogonal setting of double self-pin and prolonged self-pin of the ♔d5 by the King with pin-mates on the same square and reciprocally changed functions of the white line pieces. A pity because of the capture of the ♔e5 in the 2<sup>nd</sup> solution! (Judge: Zivko Janevski)

**8) Alberto Armeni**

8/2p2K2/n1p5/2B1kp2/2p2NP1/2P1p1P1/bp2P3/1R3r2

1.♗xc5 ♕d1 2.♗e4 ♗g6≠ 1.♕xf4 ♕f1 2.♗e4 ♕xf5≠ 1.♗xb1 ♔e7 2.♗e4 ♕d4≠

Zilahi ciclico con autoblocchi in e4 a B2.

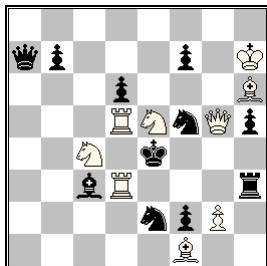
**9) Rodolfo Riva**

8/1p3KBp/qP1N2pP/3p1bR1/3p1k1P/2Pp4/5P2/b3N3

1.♕g3! [2.♗g2≠]

1...♔e4 2.♔e6 [3.♔e5≠] ♔f5+ 3.♔e7 [4.♗g2≠] ♔e4 4.♗g5 [5.♔e5≠] ♔f5 5.♗xd4 non era possibile prima per ♔e6+; ora che il Re bianco è su casa scura è invece possibile. [6.♔e3+ ♔e5 7.♗f3≠/7.f4≠] 5...♕xb6 la donna è costretta a lasciare la guardia di 'd3'. 6.♔e5+ ♔xe5 7.♗xd3≠ Cosa bisogna fare per smuovere le Donne... (NdR).

## Ricostruzione



← Wieland Bruch - (Ricostruzione n. 61 - BP72)

1<sup>st</sup> Hon. Mention UBP 1994-95

8/qp3p1K/3p3B/3RNnQp/2N1k3/2bR3r/4npP1/5B2

#2 (9+11) C+

1. ♔d7? [2. ♕xf5≠] 1... ♔ed4 2. ♔f6≠ ma 1... ♔fd4! (a)

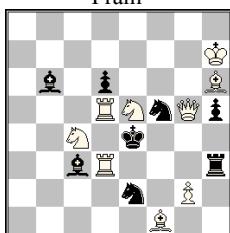
1. ♔f3? [2. ♕xf5≠] 1... ♔fd4 (a) 2. ♕e3≠ (A) ma 1... ♔ed4!

1. ♔g4! [2. ♕xf5≠] 1... ♔fd4 (a) 2. ♔xf2≠ (B) 1... ♔f~ 2. ♔xd6≠

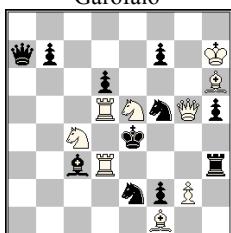
1... ♔eg3 2. ♕f4≠ 1... ♔ed4 2. ♔f6≠

Tema Herpay con matto cambiato.

Prahl



Garofalo



Cè, Lucenti



Anche questa Ricostruzione, come la precedente, sembra sia stata abbastanza impegnativa.

Solo 3 le opere ricevute (poco tempo a disposizione?). L'utilità di questa rubrica è anche quella di migliorare la propria tecnica e invogliare alla composizione, perciò non trascuriamola.

Delle ricostruzioni pervenute due sono identiche all'originale, quella di **Antonio Garofalo** e quella della coppia **Saverio Cè e Giorgio Lucenti**. La migliore è la terza, quella di **Gerd Prahl** che, nel rispetto della soluzione e della tematica svolta dal problema originale, ha risparmiato tre pedoni neri e la ♕a7 (avendo utilizzato un ♕b6 derivante da promozione). Possiamo considerarla un'ottima versione.

Ricostruzione n. 62 - Ricostruire un ≠2 con la seguente soluzione:

GA: 1...d5 (a) 2. exd6≠ e. p. (A) 1... ♔f1 (b) 2. ♕xf3≠ (B)

GV: 1. ♔e6? (A) [2. ♔dxsf3≠ (B)] 1...d5 (a) 2. ♔f5≠ 1... ♔xe5 2. ♔c4≠ ma 1...dxe6!

GR: 1. ♔dxsf3! (B) [2. ♔e6≠] 1...d5 (a) 2. ♔xd3≠ 1... ♔f5 2. ♔d4≠ 1... ♔xf3 2. ♕xf3≠

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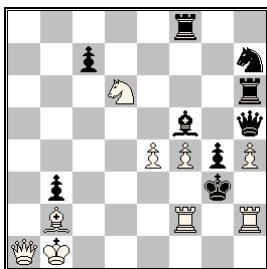
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## Christmas Card from Gábor Tar - Ungheria

← Gábor Tar

5r2/2p4n/3N3r/5b1q/4PPpP/1p4k1/1B3R1R/QK6  
≠2 (9+9)

1. ♕d4? [2. ♔c3≠]

1...b2 2. ♔a3≠

1... ♕xe4+ 2. ♔xe4≠

but 1... ♔g5!

1. ♕e5? [2. ♔c3≠]

1...b2 2. ♔a3≠

1... ♕xe4+ 2. ♔xe4≠

1... ♔g5 2. fxg5≠

but 1... ♕xd6!

1. ♕f6! [2. ♔c3≠]

1...b2 2. ♔a3≠

1... ♕xe4+ 2. ♔xe4≠

1... ♔g5 2. ♔xf5≠



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