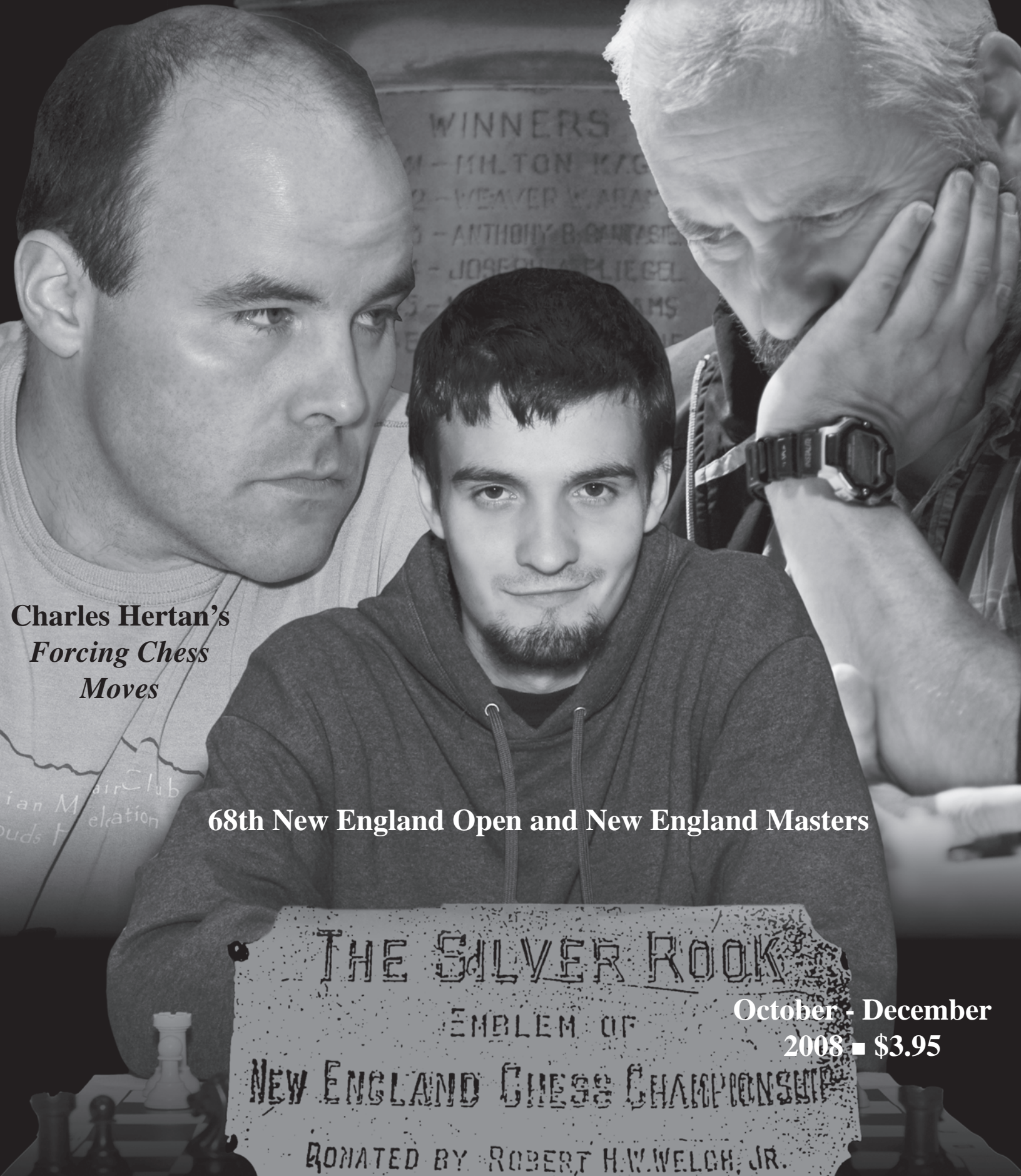


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68th New England Open
George Mirijanian

In a surprising grand finale at the 68th New England Open, held August 30-September 1, 2008 at the Holiday Inn in Boxborough, MA, top-ranked **GM Alexander Ivanov** of Newton, MA – who needed just a draw to clinch first place – was upset in the sixth and final round by national master **Alex Cherniack** of Watertown, MA. Ivanov ended up tying for first place with Cherniack and 2008 Massachusetts state champion **Denys Shmelov** of Pepperell, MA, who had opted before the second round to take a half-point bye in the last round. All three tallied 4½-1½ in an Open section field of twenty-seven players.

round. His performance was better than last year, when he tied for tenth place at the New England Open in Manchester, NH., Sharing the top Under 2250 prize with scores of 3½-2½ were expert **Libardo Rueda** of Winthrop, MA, and Class A contestant **James Lung** of Lexington, MA



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Avery Chen

Scott Didham of Sharon, MA tallied 5-1 to finish first in the Under 2000 section, where twenty players competed. Sharing the second-third prizes with 4-2 results were **Avery Chen** of Woodbridge, CT, **Lawrence Dean** of Roxbury, MA, **Valentin Levin** of Lynn, MA, and **Alexander Hu** of Wellesley, MA.

Four players shared the top three prizes in the twenty-two player Under 1800 section with scores of 4½-1½. They were **Richard Lunetta II** of Burlington, MA, **David Redwine** of Philadelphia, PA, **Tim Bromley** of Billerica, MA, and **Gary Brassard** of Leominster, MA.

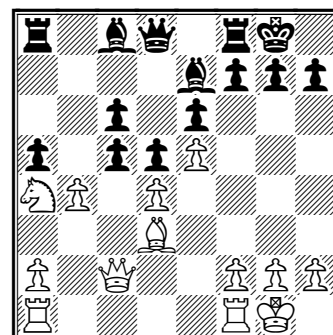
Richard Chang of South Windsor, CT chalked up the best score in the three-day main event by posting a 5½-½ result to take first place in the Under 1600 section, where twenty-two players vied for top honors. Capturing second place with a 4½-1½ tally was **Donald Lacroix** of Woonsocket, RI. **Tian Rossi**, 12, of West Newton, MA, and **Matthew Lee**, 10, of East Walpole, MA shared third prize and the top Under 1400 prize with scores of

4-2. The New England Open Speed Championship, scheduled for August 30, was not held due to lack of interest.

This year's tournament was sponsored by the Massachusetts Chess Association. Chief TD was FIDE arbiter-elect F. Alexander Relyea of Bedford, NH. He was assisted by USCF senior TDs Bob Messenger of Nashua, NH, and Ken Ballou of Framingham, MA., the latter of whom is MACA's tournament coordinator and who had the lion's share of organizing the event. Nicholas Sterling of Needham, MA, directed all the scholastic sections.

White: Vigorito, David
Black: Shmelov, Denys
68th New England Open, 2008 [D37]

1.c4 e6 2.Nc3 d5 3.d4 Nf6 4.Nf3 Be7
5.Bf4 0-0 6.e3 c6 7.c5 Nh5 8.Bd3 Nxf4
9.exf4 Nd7 10.Qc2 Nf6 11.0-0 b6 12.b4
a5 13.Na4 Nd7 14.Ne5 Nxe5 15.fxe5
bxc5



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Tian Rossi



Libardo Rueda

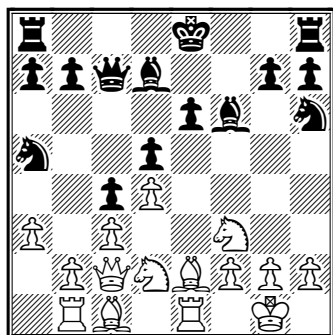
Cherniack, who had not played in a New England Open since 2003 – when he tied for twelfth place at Windsor Locks, CT – was initially ranked seventh going into this year's competition. Shmelov, ranked third and considered one of the tournament favorites, lost to Ivanov in a tense battle in the fourth

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16.Bxh7+ Kh8 17.bxc5 g6 18.Bxg6 fxe6 19.Qxg6 Qe8 20.Qh6+ Kg8 21.Nb6 Ra7 22.Nxc8 Qxc8 23.f4 Rf7 24.Rab1 Bf8 25.Qg6+ Rg7 26.Qd3 Raf7 27.Rb6 Rg4 28.g3 Qe8 29.Kg2 Rh7 30.h3 Qh5 31.Rh1 Rg6 32.Qc2 Rhg7 33.Rb3 Be7 34.Rg1 Rh6 35.g4 Rxe4+ 36.Kh2 Rxe1 37.Kxe1 Rg6+ 38.Kh2 Kf7 39.Rb7 Rh6 40.Rb3 Qh4 41.Rf3 Qg4 42.Qd3 Qf5 0-1

White: Kelleher,William
Black: Shmelov,Denys
68th New England Open, 2008 [C02]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.a3 c4 7.Nbd2 Na5 8.Be2 Bd7 9.0-0 Be7 10.Rb1 Qc7 11.Qc2 Nh6 12.Re1 f6 13.exf6 Bxf6

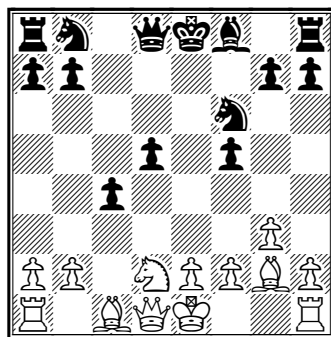


14.Ne5 Bxe5 15.dxe5 Qxe5 16.b3 0-0 17.Nf3 Rxf3 18.gxf3 cxb3 19.Qd2 Qf6 20.Kh1 Bc6 21.Rg1 Nf7 22.Qd4 e5 23.Qg4 Re8 24.Be3 b6 25.Rg3 Nd6 26.Rbg1 Nf5 27.Rh3 Nxe3 28.fxe3 Re7 29.Qc8+ Re8 30.Qc7 Qe7 31.Qxe7 Rxe7 32.Kg2 Bd7 33.Rh4 Bf5 34.Rb4

Bc2 35.Bd1 Rc7 36.Bxc2 bxc2 37.Rc1 Rxc3 38.Kf2 Nb3 0-1

White: Alex Cherniack
Black: John Curdo
68th New England Open (5), 2008 [A86]

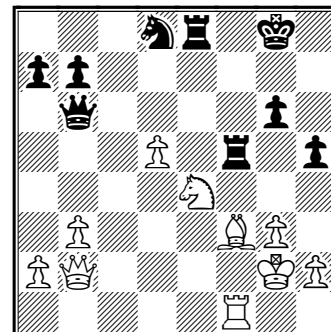
1.d4 f5 2.c4 Nf6 3.g3 d6 4.d5 c6 5.Bg2 e5 6.dxe6 Bxe6 7.Nd2 d5 8.Nh3 dxc6 9.Nf4 Bd5 10.Nxd5 cxd5



11.Nxc4 Nc6 12.Ne3 d4 13.Nxf5 Qa5+ 14.Bd2 Qxf5 15.Qb3 Qd7 16.0-0 Bc5 17.Rfc1 Bb6 18.a4 Na5 19.Bxa5 Bxa5 20.Rc5 Bb6 21.Rb5 Rb8 22.a5 Bc7 23.Rxb7 Rxb7 24.Qxb7 0-0 25.Qxa7 Qd6 26.Rc1 Bb8 27.Qb7 Qe6 28.Bf3 g5 29.Rc5 h6 30.Bd5 Nxd5 31.Qxd5 Qxd5 32.Rxd5 Bc7 33.b4 Rb8 34.Rxd4 Be5 35.Rc4 Bd6 36.Rc6 Bf8 37.Rc4 Rxb4 38.Rxb4 Bxb4 39.a6 Bc5 40.Kg2 g4 41.f3 h5 42.h3 gxh3+ 43.Kxh3 Kf7 44.f4 Be3 45.g4 hxg4+ 46.Kxg4 Kf6 47.Kf3 Ba7 48.e4 Kg6 49.Kg4 Kf6 50.e5+ Kg6 51.f5+ Kf7 52.f6 Ke6 53.Kg5 1-0

White: Alex Cherniack
Black: Alexander Ivanov
68th New England Open (6), 2008 [A21]

1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 d6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7 5.e3 f5 6.d4 e4 7.f3 exf3 8.Bxf3 Nf6 9.Nh3 0-0 10.Nf2 c5 11.0-0 Nc6 12.b3 Bd7 13.Bb2 Qe7 14.Qd2 Rae8 15.Rae1 h5 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.cxd5 Nd8 18.dxc5 Bxb2 19.Qxb2 Bb5 20.cxd6 Qxd6 21.e4 fxe4 22.Nxe4 Qb6+ 23.Kg2 Bxf1+ 24.Rxf1 Rf5



25.Qd2 Nf7 26.d6 Rxf3 27.Rxf3 Rxe4 28.Qd5 Qc6 29.Qxf7+ 1-0

White: Ivanov,Alexander (2625)
Black: Terrie,Henry L (2202)
68th New England Open (1), 2008 [B48]
[Terrie]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nc6 5.Nc3 Qc7 6.Be3 a6 7.Qd2 Nf6 8.0-0 Bb4 9.f3 Ne5 10.Nb3 b5 11.Qd4 Nc6 12.Qd2 Ne5 13.Bd4 Be7 14.Kb1 Nc4 Better 14...d6 15.Qf2 0-0 16.g4 Nfd7.



Jason Spector deep in thought at the 2008 New England Open

15.Qf2 Rb8 16.g4 h6 17.Bxc4 bxc4
18.Nc5 d6 19.N5a4 Bb7 20.h4 e5
21.Ba7 Ra8 22.g5 Nh5 23.Be3 Bc6
24.Nb6 Rb8 25.Nxc4 Nf4 26.Nb6 h5
27.a4 0-0 28.a5 Rfe8?

28...Ng6 29.Qd2 Rfd8.

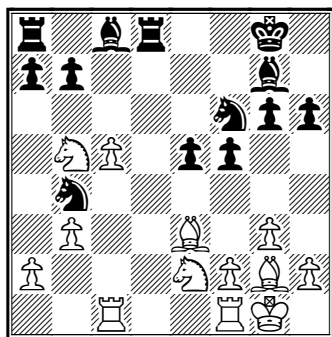
29.Qd2 Ne6 30.Ncd5 Qb7 31.Nxe7+
Rxe7 32.Qxd6 1-0

White: Kelleher,William (2393)

Black: Sciacca,Patrick (2067)

68th New England Open (1), 2008 [B03]

1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.d4 d6 4.c4 Nb6
5.exd6 cxd6 6.Nc3 g6 7.Be3 Bg7 8.Rc1
0-0 9.b3 f5 10.g3 h6 11.Nge2 e5 12.dxe5
dxe5 13.Qxd8 Rxd8 14.c5 N6d7
15.Nb5 Na6 16.Bg2 Nb4 17.0-0 Nf6



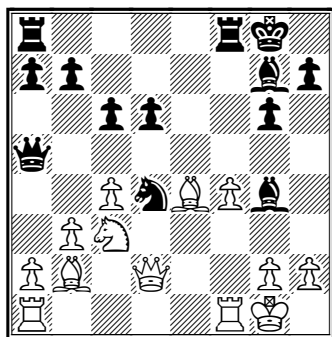
18.Nd6 Nd3 19.Nxc8 Nxc1 20.Rxc1 e4
21.Nd6 b6 22.Nb7 Rdc8 23.c6 Nd5
24.Nd4 Rab8 25.Bf1 Kh8 26.Nd6 1-0

White: Shmelov,Denis (2446)

Black: Ivanov,Alexander (2625)

68th New England Open (4), 2008 [A53]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 d6 3.Nc3 e5 4.e4 exd4
5.Qxd4 Nc6 6.Qd2 g6 7.b3 Bg7 8.Bb2
0-0 9.Bd3 Ng4 10.Nf3 Nge5 11.Be2
Nxf3+ 12.Bxf3 Nd4 13.Bd1 c6 14.0-0
Qa5 15.f4 f5 16.Bc2 fxe4 17.Bxe4 Bg4



18.Bd3 Rae8 19.Rae1 Bf5 20.Bxf5
Nxf5 21.Kh1 d5 22.cxd5 cxd5 23.Rxe8

Rxe8 24.b4 Qd8 25.Na4 d4 26.Nc5 Qc7
27.a3 h5 28.Nd3 Re3 29.Kg1 b6 30.Rd1
Qc4 31.Ne5 Scoresheet illegible. 0-1 in
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White: Lung,James (1879)

Black: Curdo,John (2259)

68th New England Open (1), 2008 [B01]

1.e4 Nc6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 Qxd5 4.Be3
e5 5.Nc3 Bb4 6.a3 Bxc3+ 7.bxc3 Nf6
8.c4 Qa5+ 9.Bd2 Qa4 10.d5 Nd4
11.Bd3 Bf5 12.Bxf5 Nxf5 13.Qe2 0-0
14.Ra2 Nd6 15.Bb4 a5 16.Bxd6 cxd6
17.Nf3 Rac8 18.Nd2 b5 19.cxb5 Nxd5
20.Ne4 Nf4 21.Qf3 Qxb5 22.Nd2 Rc3
23.a4 Qa6 0-1

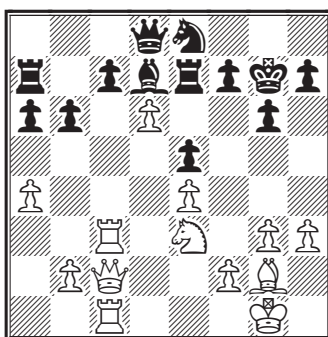
White: Terrie,Henry L (2202)

Black: Brudno,Stephen (2043)

68th New England Open (2), 2008 [A29]

[Terrie]

1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.g3 Bb4
5.Bg2 0-0 6.0-0 Re8 7.Ne1 Be7 8.Nc2
d6 9.Ne3 Nd4 10.Ned5 Nxd5 11.cxd5
Nf5 12.d3 Bg5 13.Bxg5 Qxg5 14.Nb5
Qd8 15.Rc1 Re7 16.e3 a6 17.Na3 g6
18.Nc4 b6 19.Rc3 Bd7 20.Qc2 Ng7
21.Nd2 Ne8 22.Nf3 Ra7 23.d4 Bg4
24.dxe5 dxe5 25.h3 Bf5 26.e4 Bd7
27.Rc1 Kg7 28.Nd2 Bb5 29.a4 Bd7
30.Nf1 Bc8 31.Ne3 Bd7 32.d6!?



32...Nxd6 33.Nd5 Re8 34.Rxc7 Rxc7
35.Nxc7 Rf8 36.Qc3 f6

36...Qe7 37.f4 f6 38.Nd5 Qe6
39.fxe5 (39.Nxb6 Nxe4) 39...fxe5
40.Nxb6 when 40...Nxe4 is met by
41.Qc7 Nf6 42.Rc6 Qe7 43.Rxf6 Rxf6
44.Qxd7.

37.Rd1 Bc8 38.f4 Rf7 39.Nd5

I overlooked 39.Rxd6 Qxc7
(39...Qxd6? 40.Ne8+) 40.Rc6.

39...exf4 40.e5 Nf5

40...Ne8 41.gxf4.

New England Open Side Events

NEO K-12 Championship

Under 1400 section

1st, Grant Xu of Acton, MA, 4-0; 2nd (on tiebreak), Michael Kim of Concord, MA, 2½-1½; 3rd, Michael Zhang of Wellesley, MA, 2½-1½

Under 800 section

1st (on tiebreak), Edward Andy Li of Acton, MA, 3½-½; 2nd, Jenny Qiu of Acton, MA, 3½-½; 3rd (on tiebreak), Shuvom Sadhuka of Acton, MA, 3-1; medal winner, Alex Guo of Cambridge, MA, 3-1

NEO K-3 Championship

Under 1200 section

1st (on tiebreak), Sandeep Vadlamudi of Sharon, MA, 3-1; 2nd (on tiebreak), Henry Li of Acton, MA, 3-1; 3rd, Brandon Wu of Littleton, MA, 3-1

Under 600 section

1st (on tiebreak), Alan Sikarov of Newton, MA, 3½-½; 2nd, Justin Wu of Littleton, MA, 3½-½; 3rd, Isabella Shih of Andover, MA, 3-1

NEO K-6 Championship

Under 1300 section

1st, David Todd of Boxford, MA, 4-0; 2nd (on tiebreak), Sabrina Zhang of Lexington, MA, 3-1; 3rd (on tiebreak), Changming Xu of Carlisle, MA, 3-1; medal winner, Henry Li of Acton, MA, 3-1

Under 700 section

1st, Devin Rosen of Newton, MA, 4-0; 2nd (on tiebreak), David Yashgur of Longmeadow, MA, 3-1; 3rd (on tiebreak), Jeff Gao of Acton, 3-1; medal winners, Monica Alves of Mansfield, MA, Jeffrey Wong of Westford, MA, William Hu and James Gong, both of Acton, MA, 3-1

NEO One-Day

Under 2000 section

1st, Michael Pascetta of South Glastonbury, CT, 3½-½; 2nd (tie), Neil Cousin of Franklin, MA, Howard Goldowsky of Canton, MA, and Jerry Williams of Worcester, MA (top U1800), 3-1; top Under 1600, Grant Xu of Acton, MA, 3-1

Under 1400 section

1st, Chirantan Neogy of Acton, 4-0

41.exf6+ Kh6 42.Qf3 Qd6 43.gxf4 Qc5+ 44.Kh2 g5

Desperation, as White threatened Qg4-g5.
45.fxg5+

Of course, Fritz points out that 45.Qg4 is quicker.

45...Kxg5 46.Qf4+ Kg6 47.Be4 1-0
47.Be4 Rxf6 48.Nxf6 Kxf6 49.Rd5.

White: Norris,Robert (1164)

Black: Stone,Bruce (1400)

68th NEO, U1600 (1), 2008 [B07]

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.Be3 Bg7 5.Qd2 h6 6.h3 Nbd7 7.Nf3 e5 8.dxe5 dxe5 9.Be2 c6 10.0-0 Qe7 11.a4 Nh5 12.g3 Nf8 13.Kg2 Qd7 14.Qxd7+ Bxd7 15.Rad1 f5 16.Bc5 f4 17.Bd6 0-0-0 18.Bxe5 Ne6 19.Bxg7 Nhxg7 20.Ne5 Be8 21.Rxd8+ Kxd8 22.Rd1+ Kc7 23.g4 g5 24.Nf3 h5 25.e5 hxg4 26.hxg4 Bg6 27.Bd3 Bxd3 28.Rxd3 Rd8 29.Rxd8 Kxd8 30.Ne4 Ke7 31.Nexg5 Nxxg5 32.Nxxg5 Ne6 33.Nxe6 Kxe6 34.Kf3 Kxe5 35.g5 Kf5 36.g6 Kxg6 37.Kxf4 Kf6 38.Ke4 b6 39.b4 a6 40.c4 Ke6 41.a5 1-0

Nita Patel, who lives in Bedford, NH was the “house player” at the 68th New England Open, as well as an assistant TD at the tournament.

White: Dondis,Harold (1685)

Black: Patel,Nita (1345)

68th NEO, U1800 (1), 2008 [D45]

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.e3 Nf6 4.Nc3 e6 5.Nf3 Bb4 6.Qb3 Bxc3+ 7.bxc3 Nbd7 8.Ba3



Nita Patel

Qb6 9.Bd3 c5 10.0-0 Qc7 11.cxd5 Nxd5 12.c4 Ne7 13.d5 exd5 14.cxd5 b6 15.Bb2 0-0 16.e4 Bb7 17.Rad1 Ng6 18.g3 Rfe8 19.Bb1 Rad8 20.Nd2 Ba6 21.Rfe1 c4 22.Qc3 Qe5? 23.Qa3 1-0

For David Vigorito’s annotations to his game against Alex Cheniak at the NEO, see page 17 of this issue.

New England Masters

Chris Bird

GM Sergey Erenburg won the New England Masters held from August 11-15, 2008 at the Blackstone Chess Club, Pawtucket, Rhode Island. Sergey’s last round victory over **Parker Zhao** left him with a final score of 7½/9, half-point ahead of GM **Timur Gareev** who finished in second as he could only manage a draw with **IM Jacek Stopa**.

IM **Eli Vovsha** finished by himself in third place with 6½/9 and there was a four way tie for fourth-seventh with GM **Leonid Kritz**, IM **Josh Friedel**, IM **Jacek Stopa** and **Parker Zhao** all finishing with 6 points.

IM norms were achieved by American **Parker Zhao** and Canadian **Victor Kaminski**. This was both player’s first ever IM norm. Parker took the Under 2400 prize, while Victor and **FM Elliott Liu** won the Under 2300 prize. The Under 2200 prize went to Canadian **Hugues Masse** who finished with 5/9.

White: Esserman,M (2295)

Black: Kritz,L (2610)

New England Masters (1), 11.08.2008 [B01]

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Qxd5 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.d4 Bg4 5.Be2 c6 6.c4 Qa5+ 7.Nc3 e6 8.0-0 Be7 9.h3 Bh5 10.a3 Nbd7 11.Be3 0-0 12.b4 Qc7 13.Qb3 Rac8 14.Rac1 Qb8 15.Rfd1 a6 16.a4 Bd6 17.a5 Bf4 18.Bxf4 Qxf4 19.g3 Qb8 20.Na4 Rcd8 21.Qe3 Bxf3 22.Bxf3 Rfe8 23.Bg2 h5 24.f4 Qd6 25.Rb1 Nf8 26.Nc5 Qc7 27.Qe5 Qe7 28.b5 cxb5 29.cxb5 N8d7 30.Qc7 Nxc5 31.Qxe7 Rxe7 32.dxc5 Rxd1+ 33.Rxd1 axb5 34.Rb1 Nd5 35.Rxb5 g6 36.Kf2 Kg7 37.Bxd5 exd5 38.Rb2 d4 39.Rb4 d3 40.Rd4 Re2+ 41.Kf3 ½-½



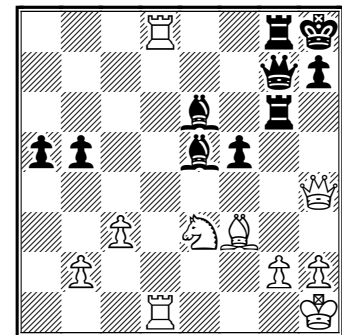
GM Sergey Erenburg

White: Vovsha,E (2461)

Black: Bournival,B (2303)

New England Masters (4), 2008 [B33]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e5 6.Ndb5 d6 7.Bg5 a6 8.Na3 b5 9.Bxf6 gxf6 10.Nd5 Bg7 11.c3 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Nc2 0-0 14.Nce3 Be6 15.Bd3 f5 16.0-0 Ra7 17.f4 Ne7 18.Bc2 Nxd5 19.Nxd5 Kh8 20.Kh1 Rb7 21.Bb3 a5 22.Ne3 d5 23.fxg5 Bxe5 24.Qh5 Rg7 25.Rad1 Rg5 26.Qh4 Rfg8 27.Bxd5 Qe8 28.Bf3 Bxa2 29.Rfe1 Qg6 30.Rd2 Qg7 31.Red1 Be6 32.Rd8 Rg6



33.Nxf5 Qc7 34.Ne7 1-0

White: Erenburg,S (2563)

Black: Friedel,J (2524)

New England Masters (6), 2008 [B42]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 a6 5.Bd3 Bc5 6.Nb3 Ba7 7.Qg4 Nf6 8.Qg3

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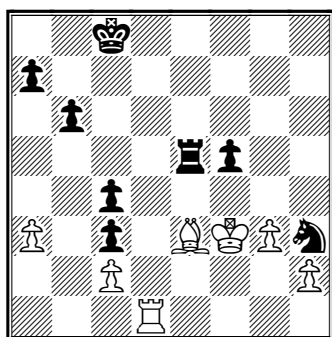
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12.Qf3 Qh4 13.g3 Ne5 14.Qe2 Qg4
15.0-0-0 Nf6 16.f4 Qxe2 17.Bxe2 Neg4
18.Be1 Ke7 19.Rd3 h5 20.Bf3 h4
21.Nd1 h3 22.Bb4 e5 23.Bxd6+ Ke8
24.fxe5 Nh7 25.e6 Bxe6 26.e5 1-0

White: MacIntyre,P (2290)

Black: Kazmaier,D (2134)

New England Masters (7), 2008 [C18]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e5 c5 5.a3
Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 Qa5 7.Bd2 Qa4 8.Qb1
c4 9.f4 Nc6 10.Nf3 Bd7 11.g3 0-0-0
12.Bg2 h5 13.Ng5 Nh6 14.f5 Qa5
15.fxe6 Bxe6 16.0-0 Bf5 17.Rxf5 Nxf5
18.Bh3 g6 19.Nxf7 Ncx4 20.Qd1 Ne6
21.Nxh8 Rxh8 22.Bxf5 gxf5 23.Qf3 Rf8
24.Qxh5 Qc5+ 25.Kg2 d4 26.Re1 dxc3
27.Be3 Qxe5 28.Bf2 Qd6 29.Qe2 Qc6+
30.Qf3 Qxf3+ 31.Kxf3 Ng5+ 32.Kf4
Nh3+ 33.Kf3 b6 34.Be3 Re8 35.Rd1
Re5



36.Rd4 b5 37.Rh4 a5 38.Rxh3 b4
39.axb4 axb4 40.Rh4 Re4 41.Rxe4



IM Eli Vovsha (l) vs. FM Braden Bournival at the NEM

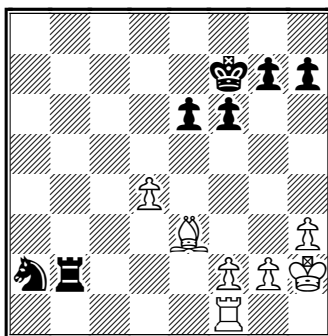
fxe4+ 42.Ke2 b3 43.cxb3 cxb3 44.Kd1
Kd7 45.Bd4 c2+ 46.Kd2 Ke6 47.Bb2
Kf5 48.Ke3 Kg4 49.Kxe4 Kh3 50.Kf3
Kxh2 51.g4 Kg1 52.Ke2 1-0

White: Thavandiran,S (2288)

Black: Kleiman,J (2353)

New England Masters (9), 2008 [D12]

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 c6 3.e3 Nf6 4.c4 Bg4
5.Nc3 e6 6.Qc2 Bf5 7.Bd3 Bxd3
8.Qxd3 Bb4 9.0-0 Nbd7 10.Nd2 0-0
11.e4 Bxc3 12.bxc3 dxe4 13.Nxe4
Nxe4 14.Qxe4 Qa5 15.Rb1 Qxc3
16.Rxb7 Nb6 17.Qxc6 Rac8 18.Rc7
Rxc7 19.Qxc7 Qxc4 20.Qxa7 Nd5
21.Be3 Nc3 22.h3 Qxa2 23.Qxa2
Nxa2 24.Bd2 Rb8 25.Bf4 Rb2 26.Kh2
f6 27.Be3 Kf7



28.Ra1 g5 29.Kg3 h5 30.h4 g4 31.f3
gxf3 32.Kxf3 Kg6 33.g4 hxg4+
34.Kxg4 Rg2+ 35.Kf3 Rh2 36.Kg3 Re2
37.Kf3 Rh2 38.Bf2 Nb4 39.Kg3 Nc2
40.Rd1 Rxf2 41.Kxf2 Kh5 42.Rd2 Nb4

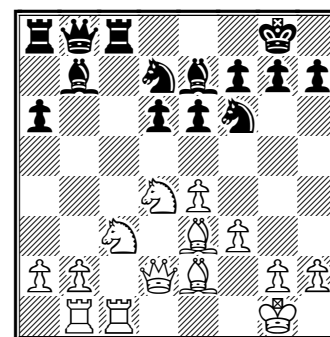
43.Re2 Nc6 44.Rxe6 Nxd4 45.Rxf6
Kg4 46.Ra6 Nf5 47.Ra4+ Kh5 48.Ra5
Kg4 49.h5 Kf4 50.Ke2 Nh6 51.Rc5 Nf5
52.Kd3 Kg4 53.Ra5 Kf4 54.Rc5 Kg4
55.Kc4 Nh6 56.Kb5 Nf5 57.Kc6 Kg5
58.h6 Kf6 59.Rxf5+ 1-0

White: Erenburg,S (2563)

Black: Vovsha,E (2461)

New England Masters (8), 2008 [B80]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6
5.Nc3 a6 6.Be3 e6 7.f3 b5 8.Qd2 b4
9.Na4 Nbd7 10.e4 bxc3 11.Nxc3 Bb7
12.Be2 Be7 13.0-0 0-0 14.Rfc1 Qb8
15.Rab1 Rc8



16.b4 Ne5 17.b5 Nc4 18.Bxc4 Rxc4
19.bxa6 Rxa6 20.Qe2 Rc8 21.Qb5 Ra3
22.Nc6 Rxc6 23.Qxc6 Bxc6 24.Rxb8+
Bf8 25.e5 Nd7 26.Rc8 Nxe5 27.f4 Ng4
28.Bb6 Bb7 29.Rb8 Ba8 30.Bc7 Ra6
31.Bxd6 Rxd6 32.Rxa8 g6 33.Ne4 Rd4
34.h3 Ne3 35.Ng5 Nc4 36.Ra4 Bc5
37.Kh1 1-0

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