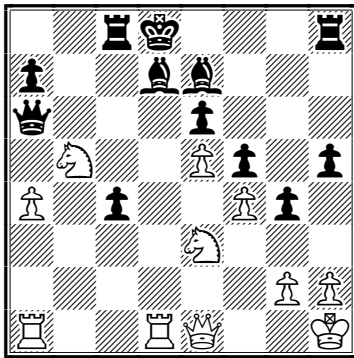
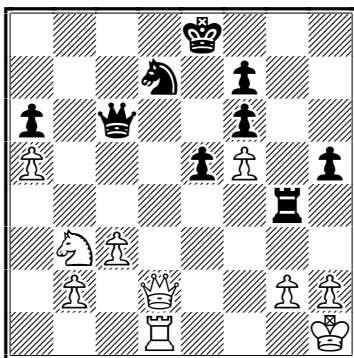


(1) **T Oral (2546) – V Nevednichy (2555)**  
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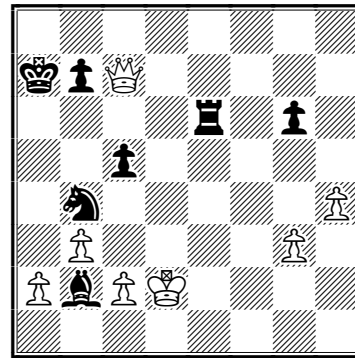
White to play

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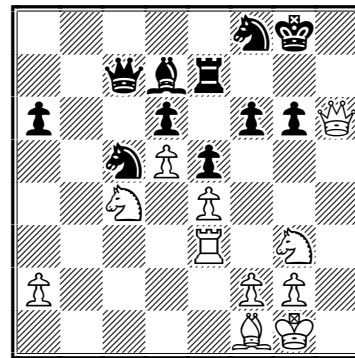
White to play

(3) **D Pavasovic (2581) – P Acs (2591)**  
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Black to play

(4) **P Leko (2743) – A Beliavsky (2650)**  
Olympiad Bled SLO (7), 01.11.2002



White to play



## Olympiad Latest

**I**n the 8<sup>th</sup> round of the [XXXV World Chess Olympiad](#) in Bled, Slovenia, **Hungary** crushed Romania 3½:½ and moved into second place. The leaders **Russia** also won vs. Netherlands but with a more modest score 2½:1½ (Kasparov and Khalifman were rested, Grischuk and Svidler won their games, Morozevich drew while Rublevsky lost).

### *Some other results:*

Slovakia – Bosnia & H. **2:2**  
Armenia – Czech Rep. **1½:2½**  
Georgia – Belarus **2½:1½**  
Poland – Israel **2½:1½**  
Uzbekistan – China **1½:2½**  
Germany – France **2½:1½**  
Azerbaijan – Ukraine **2½:1½**  
India – USA **3:1**  
Lithuania – Bulgaria **2:2**  
England – Spain **3:1**  
Australia – Cuba **1½:2½**  
Croatia – Norway **1:3**  
Argentina – Denmark **2:2**

### *Standings after the 8<sup>th</sup> round:*

**1. Russia** – 24 points  
**2.** Hungary – 22½  
**3–6.** Bosnia and Herzegovina, Slovakia, Georgia, Czech Republic – 21½ etc.

### *Women's section, round 8 results:*

Georgia – China **2½:½**  
Russia – Romania **1½:1½**  
Germany – USA **1:2**  
Vietnam – Czech Rep. **2:1**  
India – Bulgaria **1:2**  
Cuba – France **1½:1½**

### *Round 8<sup>th</sup> standings:*

**1. Georgia** – 19 points  
**2.** USA – 17  
**3–4.** China, Russia – 16½ etc.

*Also see our annotated game section.*

♦ [The 6th Corsica Open](#) – The rapid chess events are in progress. First stage was a 9-round Swiss system; it was won by Vladislav Tkachiev with 7

points. After that, the 16 best players continued the struggle in a knockout system.

### *1/8th Finals:*

**Anand** – Moreno Carnero ½:½ **1:0**  
Milov – **Jussupov 0:1 0:1**  
**Karpov** – Zezulkin **1:0 ½:½**  
**Shirov** – Mikhalevski **1:0 1:0**  
Pavlovic – **Gurevitch 0:1 0:1**  
Brodsky – **Dreev 0:1 0:1**  
Glek – **Tkachiev 1:0 0:1** Playoff  
**1½:2½**  
Epishin – **Kazhgaleyev 0:1 0:1**

### *¼th Finals:*

**Karpov** – Tkatchiev **1:0 1:0**  
**Shirov** – Kazhgaleyev ½:½ ½:½  
**½:½ 1:0**  
**Anand** – Yussupov ½:½ **1:0**  
Dreev – **Gurevich 1:0 0:1 ½:½ 0:1**

♦ [The 6<sup>th</sup> Bavarian Chess Masters](#) in Bad Wiessee, Germany.

### *Some results of the 7<sup>th</sup> round:*

Malakhov – Golod ½:½  
Gershon – Landa **0:1**  
Aronian – Oratovsky ½:½  
Bromberger – Slobodjan ½:½

### *Top boards for the 8<sup>th</sup> round:*

Landa (6½) – Malakhov (6)  
Khenkin (6) – Naumann (6)  
Hertneck (6) – Aronian (6)  
Oratovsky (6) – Bromberger (6)  
Womacka (6) – Golod (6)  
Shabalov (5½) – Sandipan (6)

♦ [Chigorin Memorial](#), St-Petersburg, Russia.

### *Some results of the 7<sup>th</sup> round:*

Areshchenko – Fominyh ½:½  
Timofeev – Lugovoi ½:½  
Yevseev – Kovchan ½:½  
Lastin – Ovsejevitsch ½:½  
Hasangatin – Najer ½:½  
Eljanov – Potkin ½:½  
Bocharov – Vaulin ½:½  
Miroshnichenko – Gavrilo **1:0**  
Zakharevich – Ionov ½:½  
Sambuev – Loginov **0:1**

*Top boards for the 8<sup>th</sup> round:*

Fominyh (5½) – Miroschnichenko (5)  
 Lugovoi (5) – Areshchenko (5)  
 Kovchan (5) – Timofeev (5)  
 Loginov (5) – Yevseev (5)  
 Kruppa (4½) – Lastin (4½)  
 Najer (4½) – Voitsekhovskiy (4½)  
 Ovsejevitsch (4½) – Eljanov (4½)  
 Smirnov (4½) – Bocharov (4½)  
 Vaulin (4½) – Vokarev (4½)  
 Vorobiov (4½) – Zakharevich (4½)  
 Potkin (4½) – Ionov (4½)  
 Yandemirov (4½) – Hasangatin (4½)

## Annotated Game

□ **Alexander Grischuk (2702)**

■ **Ivan Sokolov (2684)**

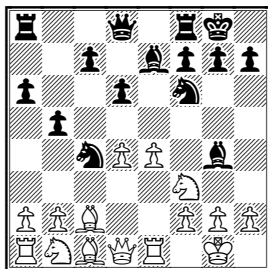
*Notes by IM Vladimir Barsky*

Bled 2002 (8), 02.11.2002

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 a6 4.♙a4  
 ♘f6 5.0-0 ♙e7 6.♞e1 b5 7.♙b3 d6  
 8.c3 0-0 9.d4

More popular is 9.h3 but the text move is quite solid also.

9...♙g4 10.♙e3 exd4 11.cxd4 ♘a5  
 12.♙c2 ♘c4 13.♙c1

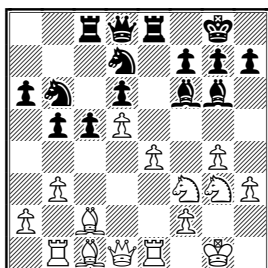


In this line White gets a pawn center while Black has piece pressure on it and an advantage in development.

13...c5 14.b3 ♘b6 15.♘bd2 ♞c8  
 16.h3 ♙h5 17.g4!? ♙g6 18.d5 ♘fd7  
 19.♘f1 ♞e8

Interesting was 19...h5!? and if 20.g5 then 20...h4!?

20.♘g3 ♙f6 21.♞b1



21...b4

21...c4 looks more logical.

22.♞e2 h6 23.♘e1 ♙h4 24.♙h2  
 ♙xg3+ 25.♙xg3!

A rather unusual position for the king but White didn't want to destroy his pawn structure; at some stage the f2 pawn will come forward and take the e5-square under control.

25...♘f6 26.f3 c4 27.♙b2 ♞e7

27...c3!?

28.♙d4 c3?!

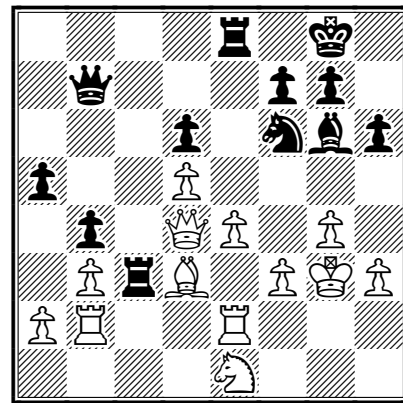
Finding counter-play Black is ready to sacrifice a pawn.

29.♙xb6 cxb2 30.♙d4 ♞c3

31.♞xb2

31.♙xb4? ♞e5+ 32.♙f2 ♘xd5 33.♙a4  
 ♞cc8+

31...a5 32.♙d3 ♙b7

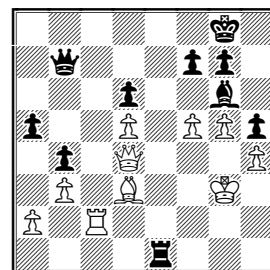


The d3 bishop and especially the e1 knight are not too beautiful now, but a pawn is a pawn. By the way, the g6 bishop isn't too strong either.

33.h4 ♞e5 34.♞bc2!? ♞xc2  
 35.♞xc2 h5 36.g5 ♘xd5

Black returns a pawn, White begins hunting for the bishop.

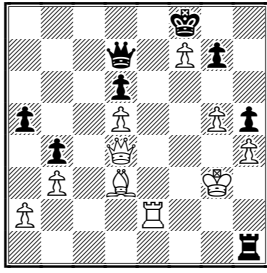
37.f4! ♞e8 38.exd5 ♞xe1 39.f5



39...♙d7

39...♙h7 40.g6+-

40.fxg6 ♞h1 41.gxf7+ ♙f8 42.♞h2  
 ♞d1 43.♞e2 ♞h1



44. ♖e8+ ♔xf7 45. ♙g6+! ♔xg6  
46. ♜e4+  
46. ♜e4+ ♔f7 (46... ♜f5 47. ♖e6+)  
47. g6+ ♔f6 48. ♖f8+ 1-0

### Solution to Quiz Today:

(1) 40. ♗xf5! exf5 41. e6 h4 42. ♜e5 ♖f8  
43. exd7 1-0

(2) 34. ♗c5! ♜xc5 34... ♗xc5 35. ♜d8#  
35. ♜xd7+ ♔f8 36. ♜d8+ ♔g7 37. ♖d6 1-0

(3) 45... ♙c3+! 45... ♙c3+ 46. ♜xc3 (46. ♔d1  
♖e1#) 46... ♗d5+ 0-1

(4) 34. ♗h5! gxh5 35. ♖g3+ ♙g4 35... ♔f7  
36. ♜xh5+ ♗g6 37. ♜xg6+ ♔f8 38. ♜g8#  
36. ♜xh5 ♗xe4 37. ♜xg4+ ♗g5 38. ♗e3 e4  
39. ♜f4 1-0

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