



**MOVES**  
FOR LIFE

**USING CHESS TO MAKE CHILDREN BETTER IN IRELAND SOCIALLY  
ADJUSTED, MORE INTELLIGENT, BETTER HUMAN BEINGS**

WEI Yi is still only 15 but heads the list of top rated players aged 20 and under.

Playing for China on board 4 of the World Team Championship, he scored 7/9 – 78% being the best score by any player in the event. He is in one of our puzzles in this issue and more next time.

Have you ever seen the Apple logo lit up on the lid of a Mac computer? Engadget.com showed off these two Apple Mac covers. We like the one on the left!



The Bulgarian stamp below, for the 1947 Balkan Games, was the first chess stamp.



Bulgaria 1947



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Junior successes in World Team Championships

by FST Kevin O'Connell



Belgium 1995

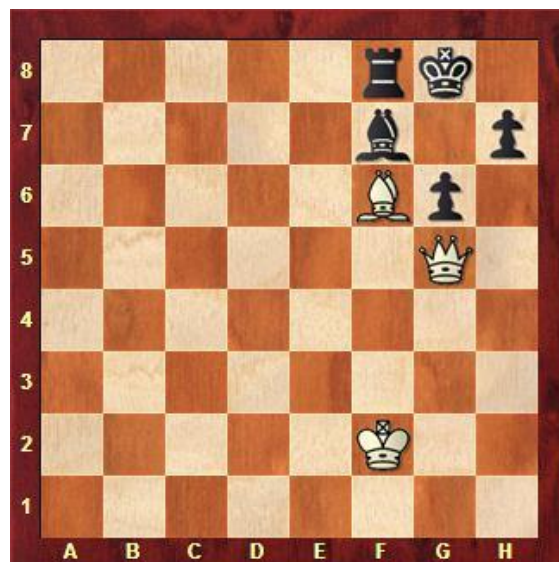
## In the Beginning

## Chess Camp 5 by Igor Sukhin Checkmate in Two

**In the Beginning – 301** (*Chess Camp 5-104*)  
White to move.



**In the Beginning – 303** (*Chess Camp 5-116*)  
White to move.



**In the Beginning – 302** (*Chess Camp 5-109*)  
Black to move.



**In the Beginning – 304** (*Chess Camp 5-121*)  
Black to move.



301. 1. ♖g4-f6+ ♜g8-h8 2. ♖g1-h1#.

303. 1. ♜g5-h6 -- 2. ♜h6-g7#.

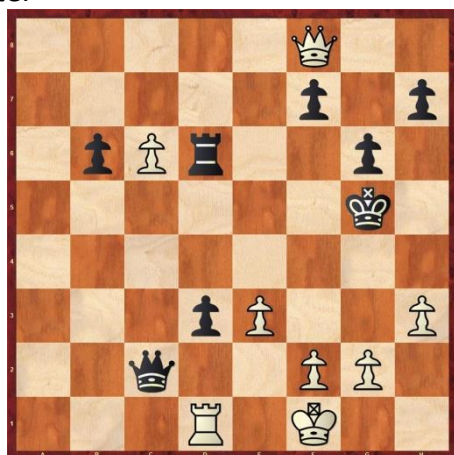
302. 1... ♜b3-b2 2.-- ♜b2-a2#.

304. 1... ♘d4-b3+ 2. ♔a1-b1 ♘d5-e4#.



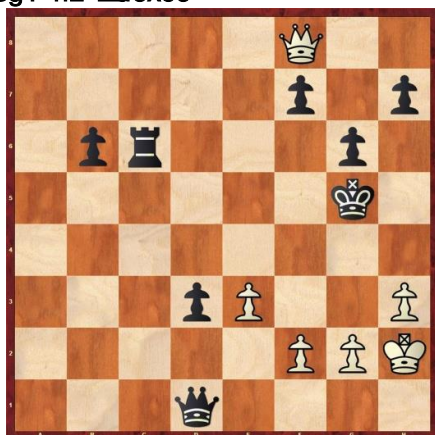
## Amazing Moves

A remarkable game, with some amazing moves was played in the European Championship in Jerusalem. Here is the critical position after 43 moves of the game Denis KHISMATULLIN (GM, 2653) – Pavel ELJANOV (GM, 2727). White to move. Obviously, White can't take the rook because Black would take on d1 with mate.



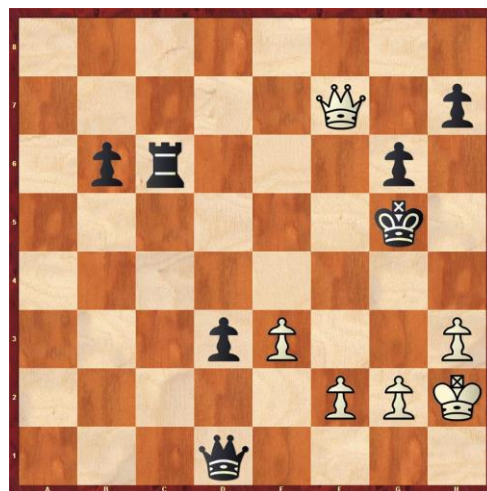
44. ♖f1-g1!! ♜c2xd1+ and this loses for Black! 44... ♜d6-d5 45. ♖g1-h2!! ♜g5-f6 46. e3-e4 ♜d5-c5 47. ♜f8-d6+ ♜f6-g7 48. ♜d1xd3 ♜c5xc6 49. ♜d6-e5+ ♜c6-f6 50. ♜d3-f3 ♜c2-c6 would have left Black with a horrible position, all tied up, but far from lost. But it's not so easy to see the end coming.

45. ♖g1-h2 ♜d6xc6



46. ♜f8-e7+ ♜g5-h6 47. ♜e7-f8+ ♜h6-g5 48. ♜f8xf7! Mate is now forced.

by FST Kevin O'Connell



48... ♜c6-f6

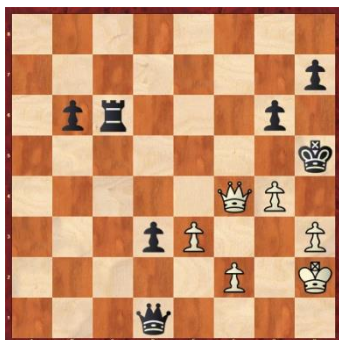


Denis Khismatullin

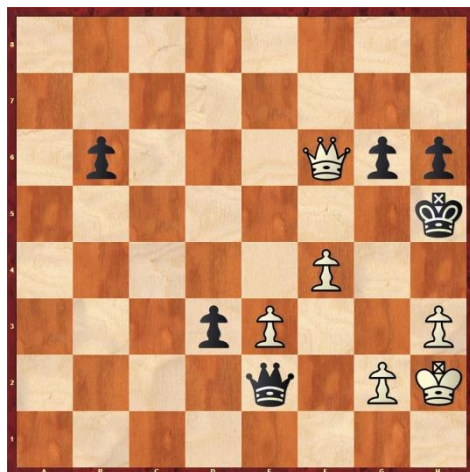
48... ♜c6-c5 49. ♜f7-f4+ ♜g5-h5 50. g2-g3 and mate can't be stopped.



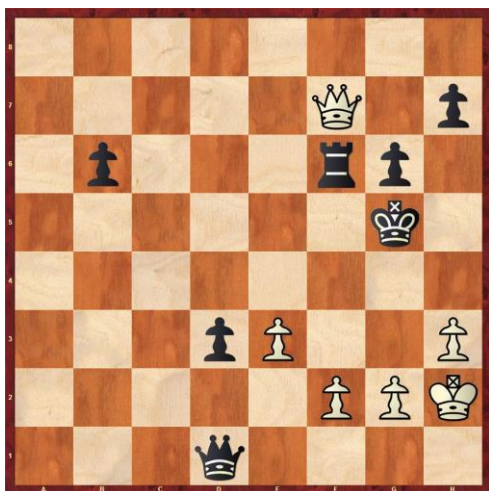
48... ♜g5-h6 49. ♜f7-f8+ ♜h6-h5 (49... ♜h6-g5 50. ♜f8-f4+ ♜g5-h5 51. g2-g4+ forces mate)



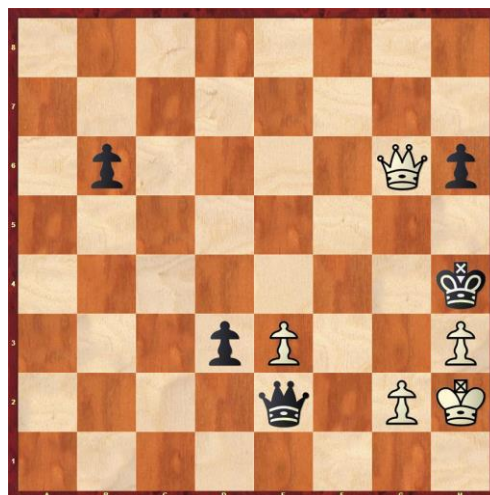
50.g2-g4+ and Black has to give up the queen just to stave off mate.



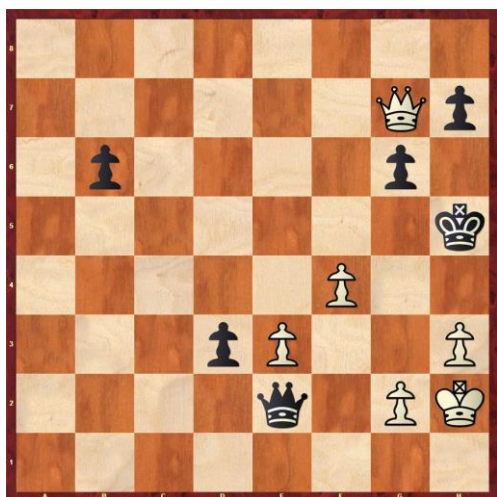
55.f4-f5 g6xf5 56. ♖f6xf5+ ♔h5-h4 57. ♖f5-g6 1-0.



49.f2-f4+ ♔g5-h6 50. ♖f7xf6 ♖d1-e2 51. ♖f6-f8+ ♔h6-h5 52. ♖f8-g7



It's mate in two, for example 57...d3-d2 (or 57...h6-h5 58. ♖g6-g3#; 57... ♖e2-h5 58.g2-g3#) 58. ♖g6xh6+ ♖e2-h5 59.g2-g3#.



52...h7-h6 53. ♖g7-e5+ ♔h5-h4 54. ♖e5-f6+ ♔h4-h5

[our thanks to Yoav Nis & ChessBase for our photos]



Top board, last round – draw. Result : 1 Najer 8.5/11, 2-4 Navara, Bartel & Khismatullin 8.

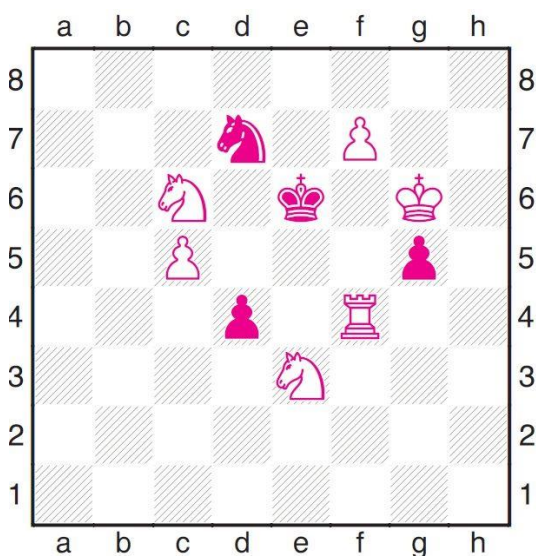


## Hearts

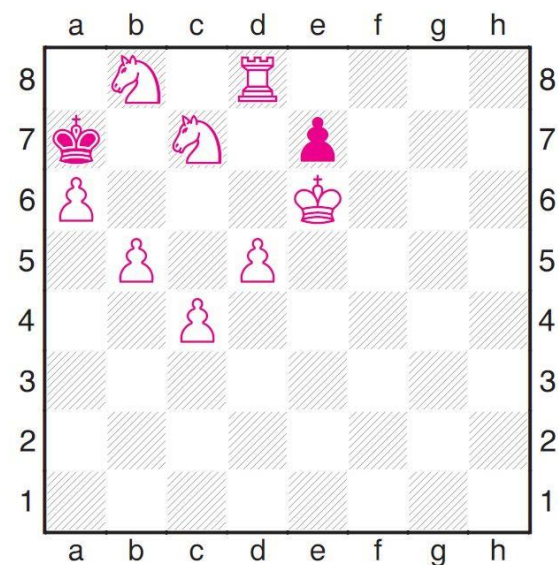
by GM Judit Polgar, friends & family

Judit Polgar took the opportunity on Valentine's Day this year (14 February) to put on her Facebook page several heart shaped problem compositions. Valentine's Day is celebrated in many countries around the world; a celebration of romantic love, hence the symbol of the heart. The following hearts are mate in 2.

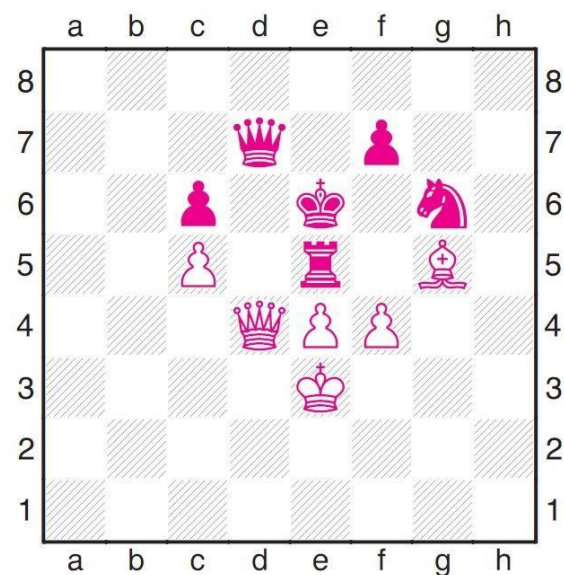
This study (1) is by Csaba Schenkerik.



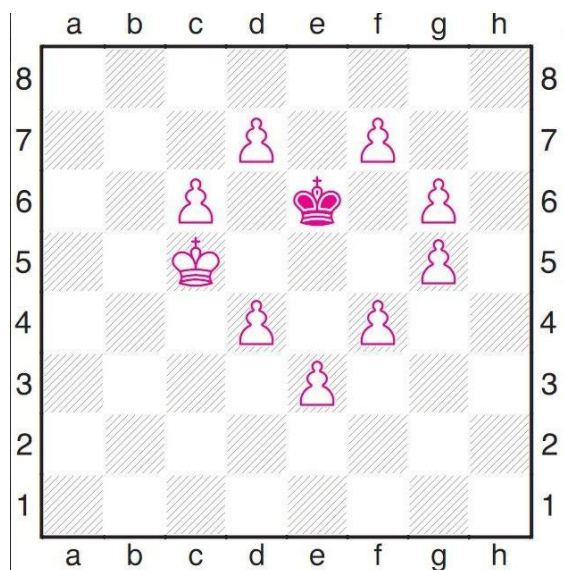
Here is another (2) by Csaba Schenkerik.



Now one (3) by Judit's father Laszlo.



Finally (4) one by Judit herself.



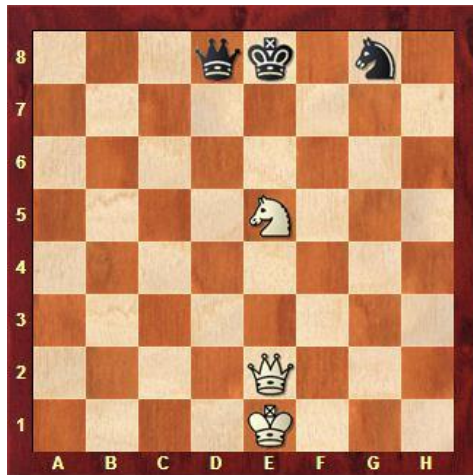
SOLUTIONS :

- (1) 1. ♖f4-f6+ ♘d7xf6 2. f7-f8♘#.
- (2) 1. ♘c7-a8 ♔a7xa8 2. ♘b8-c6#.
- (3) 1. ♕d4xe5+ ♘g6xe5 2. f4-f5#.
- (4) 1. f7-f8 ♖ [1. f7-f8 ♕ stalemate] 1... ♔e6-e7 2. ♖f8-e8#.

## A Simple Tactic – Discovered Check by FST Kevin O’Connell

Discovered check is one of the most powerful tactics ever seen on the chessboard. Less common than forks, pins and skewers, but generally more deadly.

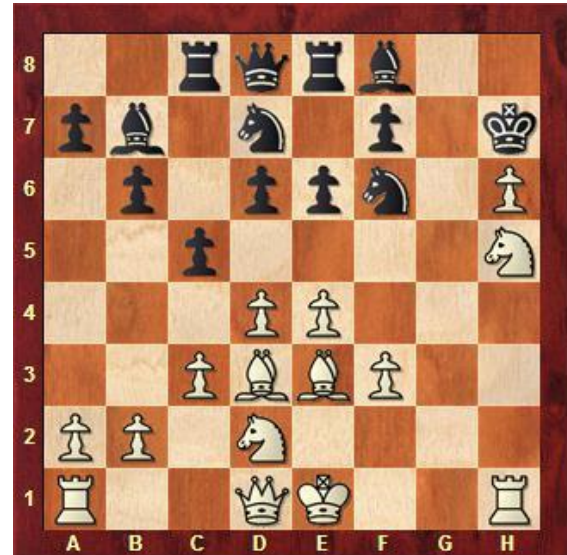
A very simple example to show the idea.



1. ♖e5-c6+ and Black’s queen is lost.

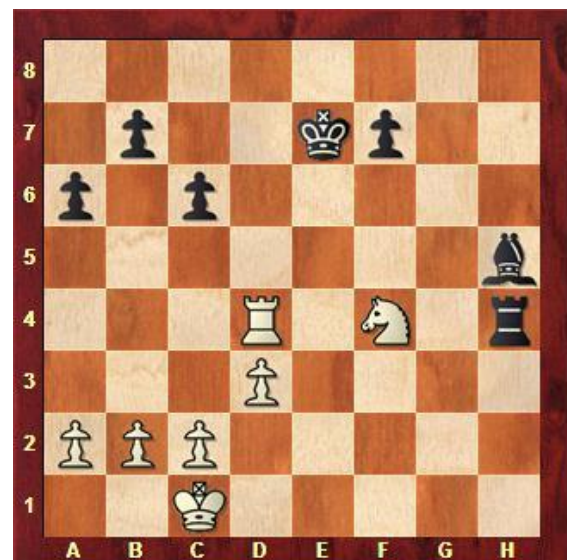


Our first example from a real game is from Amardip AHLUWALIA-Justin LU, British u11 Championship, Aberystwyth 2014. White to play.



White played 1. ♖d1-e2?! Instead, 1. e4-e5+ would have been much better, picking off the knight on f6 for free.

Next we have Teodora GOSPODARU-Aksiniia VASKOVETS, European Youth Ch, u10 Girls 2013.



1. ♖f4-d5+ c6xd5 2. ♖d4xh4 and White won.



The next position arose after 12 moves of Imena BENELKEFIR-Elena MIKHAILINA, World Youth Championship u8 Girls 2013. Black to play.



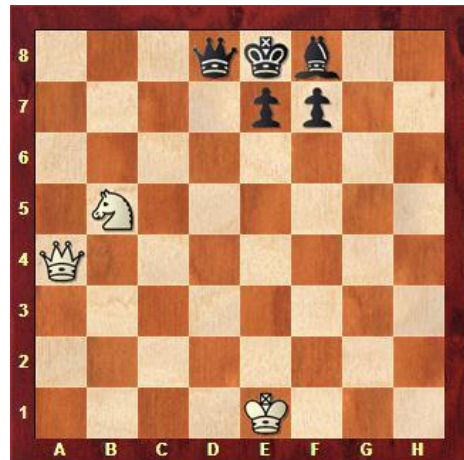
12... ♖d4xf3+ 12... ♖d4-b3+ is better still. 13. ♕d1-e2 ♜f3-d4+ 14. ♖e2-d3? [14. ♖e2-f1 ♖d4xc2 is good enough] Black got to play the other one after all: 14... ♖d4-b3+ and went on to win after 15. ♕d3-c3 ♜b3xa1...

It helps if you can spot the idea ahead of time... This is from Eva ZIJDEMANS-Camila Biscaya AVELINO, European Youth Championship u10 Girls 2013. Black's move.

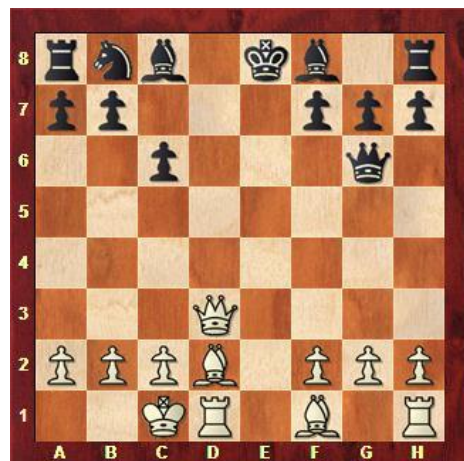


1... ♕f3xe2 2. ♖f1-g1 [2. ♖d2xe2 f4-f3+ 3. ♖h2-g1 f3xe2 is worse] 2... ♕e2xd3

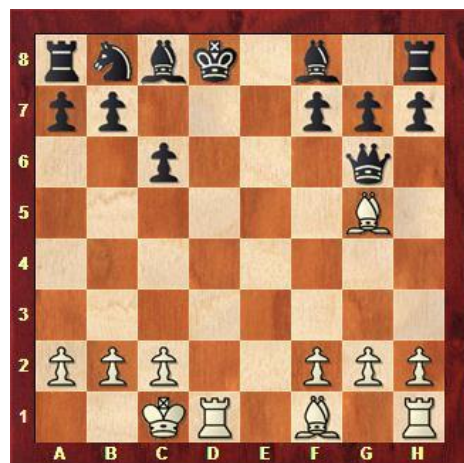
[23... ♖e8xe4!] was good enough to win. Finally, the most powerful discovered check of all, the double check with one of them discovered.



1. ♜b5-c7# or 1. ♜b5-d6#.



1. ♖d3-d8+ ♜e8xd8 2. ♕d2-g5+



2... ♕d8-c7 [2... ♕d8-e8 3. ♖d1-d8#] 3. ♕g5-d8#.

# Puzzles

selected by FST & FM Kevin O'Connell ([www.kochess.com](http://www.kochess.com))

1 White to move. Simple?



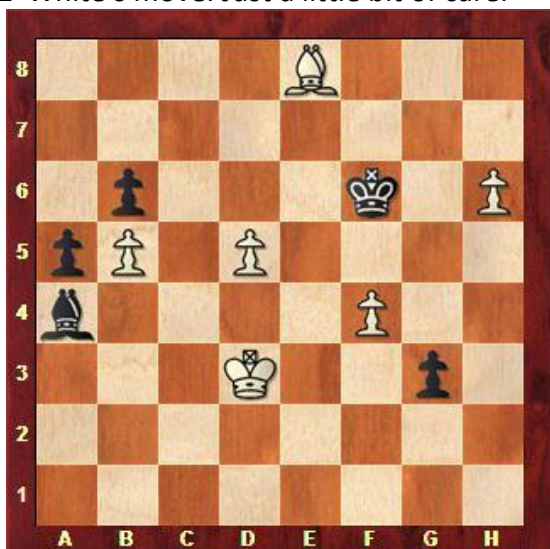
LEI Tingjie – Marta BARTEL  
Women's World Team Championship 2015

3 White to play. Have fun!



Daniel NARODITSKY – Dmitry JAKOVENKO  
World Team Championship 2015

2 White's move. Just a little bit of care.



Alexandra GORYACHKINA – Marta BARTEL  
Women's World Team Championship 2015

4 White to play. Find a clear win.



WEI Yi – Hrant MELKUMYAN  
World Team Championship 2015

## SOLUTIONS TO PUZZLES

1. 32. ♖g2xd5 ♜b7xd5 [32... ♜c8-b8 33. ♜b3-f3] 33. ♜a7xc7+ 1-0.
2. 60. ♖h6-h7 [60. d5-d6?? ♗3-g2 61. d6-d7 ♜a4xb5+ (61... ♗2-g1 ♜??) 60... ♜f6-g7 61. ♜d3-e3 ♜a4-b3 62. d5-d6 ♜b3-e6 63. d6-d7 ♜e6xd7 64. ♜e8xd7 ♜g7xh7 65. ♜e3-f3 1-0.]
3. 47. ♖b6-a7 ♜b4-a5 ♜b6-a8 49. ♜a5xd8 ♜h7-g7 50. ♜g1-f2 ♜g7-f7 51. ♜f2-e3 [51... ♜f7-e6 52. ♜e3-e4 ♜e6-d6 53. ♜d8-f6] 1-0.
4. 30. ♜e1-e7 ♜h2xh3+ [30... ♜c7-d8 31. ♜e7-e8+ ♜g8-h7 32. ♜e8xd8 ♜a8xd8 33. ♜f3-g3; 30... ♜c7-d6 31. ♜e7-d7] 31. ♜f3-g4 ♜c7-d6 32. ♜e7-d7 ♜h3-d3 33. ♜d7xd6 ♜a8-e8 34. ♜a1-g1 ♗7-g6 35. ♜g1-g3 ♜d3-d2 36. ♜g3-e3 ♜e8-f8 37. ♜e3-e7 1-0.