

**FRME 5 2019**  
**Federation Royale Marocaine Des Echecs**  
**Final Judgment of Franz Pachl**

**Section helpmate 2,5-3**

I had 26 problems in this section (10 h#2,5 and 16 h#3). In the PDB I looked for anticipations or comparable problems and came to the following result:

**B19:** There is a comparison helpmate, which has greater thematic depth with unpinning of the wR after capturing of a wS and battery construction after clearing the b-line: Ivan Soroka, The Ural's Problemist 07/2007, 2nd Prize (Kf3 Rb3 Sb4 b6 – Kf7 Qd7 Ra3 Bc5 f5 Pa4 a2 d5 e5; h#3; 2 solutions; I) 1.Bxb6; II) 1.Bxb4).

**B20:** Compared with Aleksandr Semenenko, European Problem Chess Festival 2009, 1st Special Honourable Mention (Ka2 Rd3 Sd5 f3 - Ke4 Rc1 h1 Sc2 Pa4 d6 d4 e3 g5; h#3; 3 solutions; I) 1.Kxd3; II) 1.Kxd5; III) 1.Kxf3). The B20 with identical mating positions shows nothing new.

**Participants :**

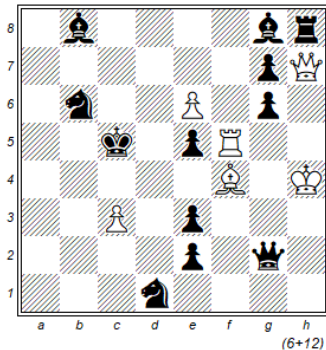
**Francesco-SIMONI(B1);János-Csák(B2);Vitaly-MEDINTSEV(B3);Anatoly SKRIPNIK(B3);Ognian Dimitrov(B4);Vladimir Bulanov(B5);Eugene Fomichev(B6);Vito RALLO(B7);Valery Kopyl(B8);  
Christer-jonsson(B9,B18,B20);Rainer-Kuhn(B10);Miroslav-SVÍTEK(B11,B12,B13);Josef BURDA(B13);Karol-Mlynka(B14);Zoltan-Labai(B15);Viktor-Yuzyuk(B16);Lebedev Vasilii(B17);Salman Javadzade(B18);  
Vidadi-Zamanov(B19,B20);Ljubomir-Ugren(B21);Menachem-Witztum(B22);Miroslav Bílý(B23);Michel CAILLAUD(B24);Onkoud Adelaziz(B25);Mihaiu Cioflanca(B26).**

**I have chosen the following ranking:**

1st Prize

B3

**Vitaly MEDINTSEV & Anatoly SKRIPNIK** (RUSSIA)



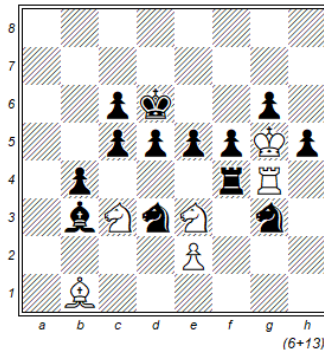
H#2,5

2 solutions  
b) bKc5→c1

2nd Prize

B8

**Valery Kopyl** Ukraine



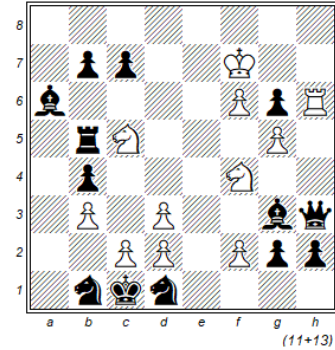
H#3

b) bRf4→d4

3rd Prize

B2

**János Csák**



H#3

b) wBh6

**1st Prize: B3** - **Vitaly MEDINTSEV & Anatoly SKRIPNIK** (RUSSIA)

a) 1.- Bh6 2.gxh6 Qc7+ 3.Kd5 Rxe5#

1.- Qh5 2.Qb7 Rxe5+ 3.Kc6 Rc5#

b) 1.- Rh5 2.gxh5 Qd3 3.Sb2 Bxe3#

1.- Qh6 2.Kd2 Bxe3+ 3.Ke1 Bd2#

This kind of unpinning with active sacrifice of a white officer captured by a bP to open a line for the unpinned wQ, I regard as original. Also the second pair with support of the pinned wQ for its mating officers is remarkable. Together this results in a rich TF helpmate with harmonious solutions and excellent analogy in both pairs.

**2nd Prize: B8** - **Valery Kopyl** Ukraine

a) 1.e4 Sxe4+ 2.Ke5 Sc4+ 3.Kxe4 Rxf4#

b) 1.c4 Sxc4+ 2.Kc5 Sa4+3.Kxc4 Bxd3#

Kniest theme with the peculiarity that the Kniest pawn first makes a move and then gets captured. This seems original, in addition change of function (wSc3/wSe3 and wRg4/wBb1) and pin mates.

**3rd Prize: B2** - **János Csák**

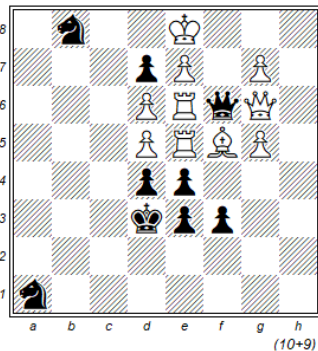
a) 1.Bxf4 Rh4 2.Bxd2 Rc4 3.Qxd3 Sxd3#

b) 1.Rxc5 Bf8 2.Rxc2 Bxb4 3.Bxd3 Sxd3#

Quite elaborate, but excellent Zilahi with change of block and guard on the squares c2/d2 and capturing a white piece to open the line for a white officer. Here the analogy is to the last detail.

1st Honourable Mention  
B6

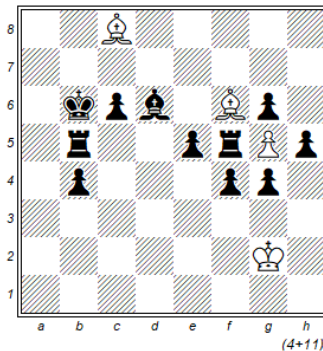
**Eugene Fomichev**(Russie)



H#2,5  
b) bKd3↔bPd4

2nd Honourable Mention  
B24

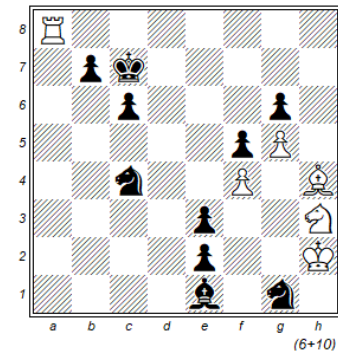
**Michel CAILLAUD**(France)



H#3  
2 solutions

3rd Honourable Mention  
B9

**christer jonsson**(Suede)



H#3  
2 solutions

**1st Honourable Mention: B6 - Eugene Fomichev**(Russie)

- a) 1.- Rxe4 2.Qxf5 Rf6 2.Kxe4 Qxf5#  
b) 1.- Bxe4 2.Qxe5 Qf6 3.Kxe4 Qxe5#

Kniest and Umnov theme with passive and active sacrifice of two white officers in a slightly depressed position. There are many captures, but that does not hurt the problem. Amazing that no anticipation could be found.

**2nd Honourable Mention: B24 - Michel CAILLAUD**(France)

- I) 1.Rxg5 Be6 2.Rf5 Bh4 3.Kc5 Bf2#  
II) 1.Bb8 Bxe5 2.Ba7 Bf6 3.Rfc5 Bd8#

In this charming helpmate both sides pursue the same strategy. Return with short steps after capture of a pawn to open a line.

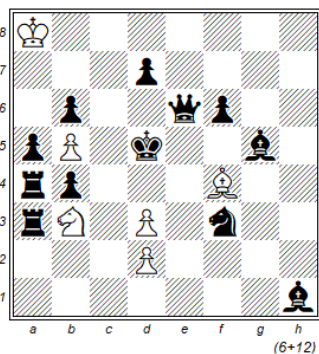
**3rd Honourable Mention: B9 - christer jonsson**(Suede)

- I) 1.Bxh4 Rd8! (Ra5?) 2.Bxg5 Sxg5 3.Sb6 Se6#  
II) 1.Sxh3 Ra5! (Rd8?) 2.Sxg5 Bxg5 3.Kb6 Bd8#

Zilahi with passive white and active black sacrifices.

1st Commendation  
B25

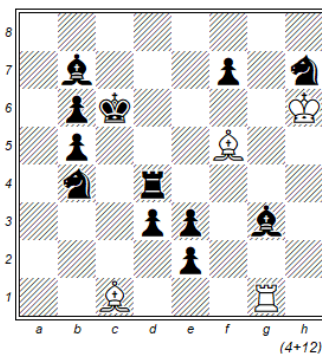
**Abdelaziz ONKOU**(Maroc)



H#3  
2 solutions

2nd Commendation  
B22

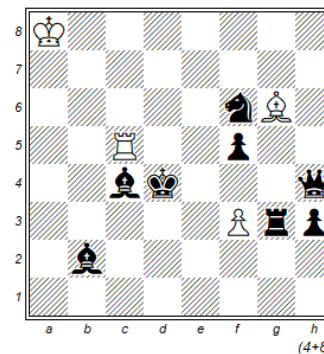
**Menachem Witztum**(Israel)



H#3  
b) wSb6

3rd Commendation  
B23

**Miroslav Bílý**(Czech Republic)



H#3  
3 solutions

**1st Commendation: B25 - Abdelaziz ONKOU**(Maroc)

I) 1.Sd4 Sc5 2.Rc3 dxc3 3.bxc5 c4#

II) 1.d6 Be5 2.Be3 dxe3 3.fxe5 e4#

Nice doubling of the Feather theme with active white and black sacrifices and a slight hint of symmetry.

**2nd Commendation: B22 - Menachem Witztum**(Israel)

a) 1.- Ba3 2.Rd7 Be4+ 3.Sd5 Rc1#

b) 1.- Bxe3 2.Bc7 Rg6+ 3.Rd6 Bd7#

Change of functions by wRg1/wBf5, line opening for wBa3, pin mates.

**3rd Commendation: B23 - Miroslav Bílý**(Czech Republic)

I) 1.Bc1 f4 2.Rd3 Bf7 3.Be3 Rxc4#

II) 1.Ba3 Rxc4+ 2.Kd5 f4 3.Bd6 Bf7#

III) 1.Qf4 Bf7 2.Qd6 Rxc4+ 3.Ke5 f4#

Economically constructed cycle of white moves ABC-BCA-CAB.

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