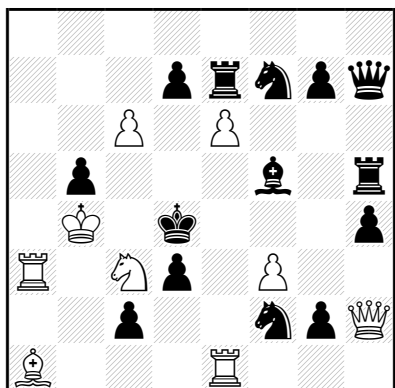


# No. 1



## Mate in 3 moves (9+14)

**Milan Vukcevic 75 Jubilee Tourney**

**SG 62, 2013, Strategems, April-June 2013, vol.16, p.103**

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### **Solution:**

**1.Ra6! ~ 2.Sxb5+ Kd5 3.Sc7x**

**1... dxc6 2.Sa4+ Kd5 3.Sb6x,**

**1... dxe6 2.Sd1+ Kd5 3.Se3x**

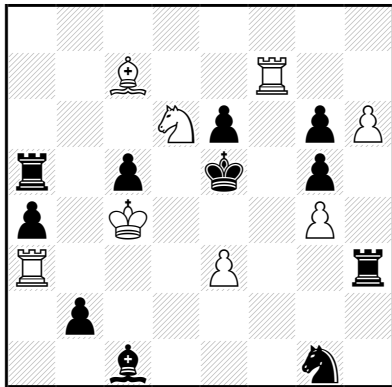
**1... d6 2.Se2+ Kd5 3.Sf4x, 2... Ke3 3.Qf4x**

**1... d2 2.Sxb5+ Kd5 3.Sc7x, 2... Kd3 3.Ra3x**

**1.Qb8/Qg1? – Be4!, 1.Qc7? – Se4!**

*1st Prize - Stanislav Vokál Remote self-blocks in Siers battery arrangement are common, but the unity achieved with line closings based on three moves by the Black Pawn at d7 is stunning. The coup de grace is the return of the key piece to its original square after a fourth Pawn self-block. Bravo! Solution: 1.Ra6! (2.Sxb5+ Kd5 3.Sc7#), 1...dxc6 2.Sa4+ Kd5 3.Sb6#, 1...dxe6 2.Sd1+ Kd5 3.Se3#, 1...d6 2.Se2+ Kd5 3.Sf4#; 2...Ke3 3.Qf4#, 1...d2 2.Sxb5+ Kd5 3.Sc7#; 2...Kd3 3.Ra3#. (1.Qb8/Qg1? Be4!, 1.Qc7? Se4!) “judge - comments”*

## No. 2



### Mate in 3 moves (8+11)

Die Schwalbe, October 2015, №16446

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#### Solution:

1.Rf4? – gxf4!, 1.Rf2, Rf1? – Rf3!

**1.Rf8!** Rxe3 2.Sf7+ (dr.) Kf6 3.Bd8x, 2. – Ke4  
3.Sxg5x

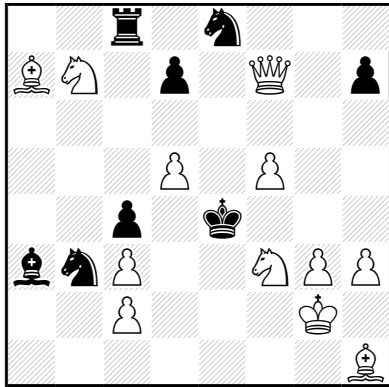
**1. – Bxe3! 2.Sb5+ Ke4 3.Sc3x**

**1. – Sf3! 2.Se8+! Ke4 3.Sf6x**

1. - .Rh5 (Rxh6) 2.Sf5+ Ke4 3.Sg3x

1. – Ra8, Ra7 2.Sb7+ Ke4 3.Sxc5x

## No. 3



### Mate in 3 moves (12+8)

Pat a Mat 93, September 2015, p.343, №1098

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Solution:

**1.Kf2? – Bc5+!**

**1.Kf1! ~ 2.Sh2+ Ke5 3.Sg4x**

**1...Bc5 2.Sd2+ Ke5, Ke3 3.Sxc4x**

**1...Rc5 2.Qe7+ Kxf5 3.Sh4x, 2...Kxd5 3.Sf3x**

**1...Sc5 2.Sd2+ Ke5, Ke3 3.Sxc4x**

**1...Sd4 2.Bxd4 Sf6 3.Sh4x**

**1...Sf6 2.Qxf6 ~, Sd2+ 3.Qe5x, Sxd2x**

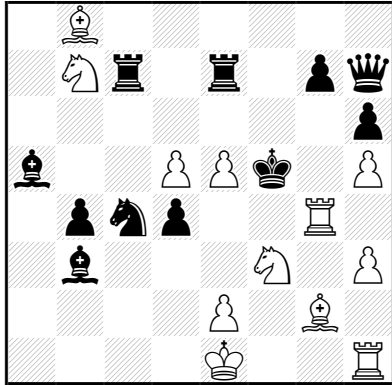
**1...Sd2+ 2.Sxd2+ Ke5 3.Bd4x**

**1...h5 2.Sh4+ Ke5 3.Sg6x**

■ 1098: 1.♔f2? ~ ♚c5+!, 1.♔f1! hr. 2.♜h2+ ♚e5 3.♞g4#, 1...♚c5 (♜c5) 2.♜d2+ ♚e5, ♚e3 3.♜c4#, 1...♞c5 2.♞e7+ ♚:f5 3.♜h4#, 2...♚:d5 3.♜f3~#, 1...♞d4 2.♚:d4 ♜f6 3.♜h4#, 1...♞f6 2.♞:f6 ~, ♜d2+ 3.♞e5, ♜:d2#, 1...♞d2+ 2.♜:d2+ ♚e5 3.♚d4#, 1...h5 2.♜h4+ ♚e5 3.♞g6#. Záměny druhých a třetích ťahov, obrany na jednom poli a výborný úvodník. Bohatá strategická motivácia.

(redactor's comments)

## No. 4



### Mate in 3 moves (12+11)

**Jaroslav Karel 75 Jubilee Tourney**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Honorable Mention**

Šachová Skladba, 123, IV/2014, p.3138, №12097

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**Solution:**

**1.O-O? – Bb6!**

**1.Rf1! ~ 2.Sxd4+ Kxe5 3.Sc6x**

**1. – Ba4 2.Sd2+! Kxe5 3.Sxc4x**

**1. – Re6 2.Sg5+! Kxe5 3.Sf7x**

**1. – Qg6 2.Sh4+ Kxe5 3.Sxg6x**

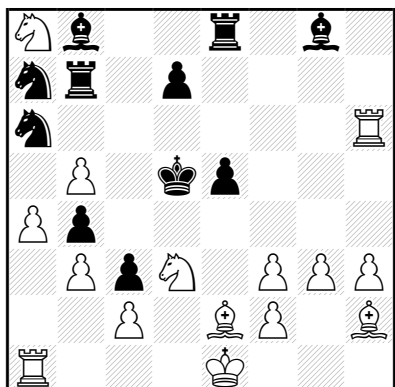
2. čestné uznání: Stanislav Vokál (12097)

Tříkrát vazba ♖c7, čtyřikrát Siersova baterie a zajímavá svůdnost.

1.0-0? ♕b6!, 1. ♖f1 hr. 2. ♗xd4+ ♜xe5 3. ♗c6#, 1.- ♕a4 2. ♗d2+ ♜xe5 3. ♗xc4#, 1.- ♖e6  
2. ♗g5+ ♜xe5 3. ♗f7#, 1.- ♛g6 2. ♗h4+ ♜xe5 3. ♗xg6#.

**(judge' comments)**

## No. 5



### Mate in 3 moves (15+11)

Zoltan Labai 70 Jubilee Tourney

1<sup>st</sup> pochv. zmienka

Pat a Mat 87, March 2014, p.153, №488

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Solution:

**1. O-O-O? is not possible because w.Rh1 could leave his corner passing through e1 only (but not after moves w.Pg2xh3, w.Ph2xg3, because w.Bh2 could reach the field h2 surprisingly after moves w.Ph2-h3, w.B go to h2, w.Pg2-g3). So the solution is only:**

**1.Rd1! ~ 2.Sb4+! Kc5 3. Sxa6x**

**1... Sc7 (or 1...Rb6) 2.Sxe5+! Kc5 3.Sxd7x**

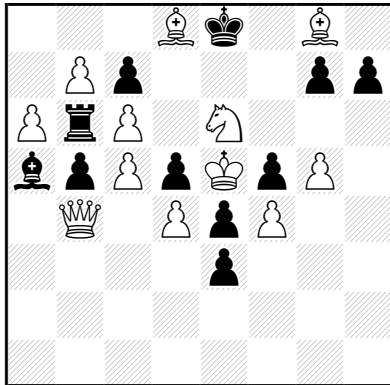
**2.... Kxe5 3.g4x!**

**1... Re6 2.Sf4+! Kc5 3. Rd5x**

1. pochvalná zmienka 488 (Stanislav Vokál, Slovensko). Nejde 1.0-0-0, lebo biela veža h1 sa mohla dostať von iba cez e1 (a nie po ♖g2:h3, ♖h2:g3, lebo ♜h2 sa na h2 mohol dostať udievajúco iba po ťahoch ♖h2-h3, ♜ ide na h2, ♖g2-g3), preto rieši iba 1. ♖d1. Trojtážka s malou retrográdnou analýzou.

(judge' comments)

## No. 6



### Mate in 3 moves (12+11)

PRAVDA, Aug 01, 2013, №3952

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**Solution:**

*1.cxd6 ep.! cxd6+ 2.Qxd6 Rxb7 3.Of8x,*

*1.... Rxc6 2.d7+ Kxd7 3.Qe7x*

**Last black's move was Pd7-d5 only!**

The last moves Pf7-f5? and Pg6xf5? are not possible because of the position of white bishop on g8 (in the first case) and number of captures (in the second case).