

# Israel Ring Tourney – Mate in 2 moves 2008

Judge: Claude Wiedenhoff (France)

Twenty five problems, sent to me in anonymous form, participated to this tourney. Approximately ten compositions were largely ahead, and the 2 following works had to be removed:

**Vm1764 (Mosiashvili):** 2 key-move pieces of the tries become useless in the solution (real-play).

**Vm1823 (Onkoud):** the white bishop on g1 is useless in the real play.

Here is my award:

## 1<sup>st</sup> Prize: Vm 1819, Pavel Murashev

Very nice example of double Pseudo-reversal (or Pseudo-Salazar) associated to pretty changes of mates. I well liked the position without white pawns. By far the best problem.

1. ♖df3 A ? [2. ♖xc5#] 1... ♖a6 a 2. ♖d2 B # but 1... ♖b5 !

1. ♖d2 B ? [2. ♖b5, ♖f5#] 1... ♖xe5 b 2. ♖f3# A 1... ♖xa1, c3/cxd4 2.S(x)c4/♖b4# but 1... ♖c3 !

1. ♖g3 C ? [2. ♖xc4#] 1... cxd4 c 2. ♖a3# D but 1... ♖f7 !

1. ♖a3 D ! [2. ♖xc5#] 1... ♖xe5 d 2. ♖g3# C 1... ♖a6, b5, d5 2.S(x)b5#

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: Vm 1824, Paz Einat

The black defence 1...f5 leads in the set-play, the threat-mate of try-play and real play. Thus we have an elegant Dombro-Zagoruiko. Nice lines effects.

1...f5 2. ♖f3# 1... ♖d2 2. ♖d6#

1. ♖c3? [2. ♖f3#] 1...f5 2. ♖e7# 1... ♖d2 2. ♖c7# but 1... ♖xe3 !

1. ♖c5! [2. ♖f3#] 1...f5 2. ♖d7# 1... ♖d2 2. ♖d3#

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: Vm 1770, Miroslav Svitek

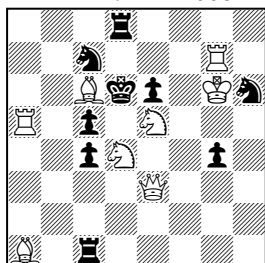
If the « carroussels » scheme of the white Knight is well known, I particularly liked the real key-move changing all the mates. Very well built.

1. ♖e1 ? [2. ♖f3#] 1... ♖xd3 2. ♖xd3# 1... ♖xg2 2. ♖xg2# 1... ♖xg1, ♖d4 2.g3# 1... ♖e3 2. ♖xe3# 1... ♖h4 2. ♖xh4# 1... ♖h6 2. ♖xh6# but 1... ♖xd5 !

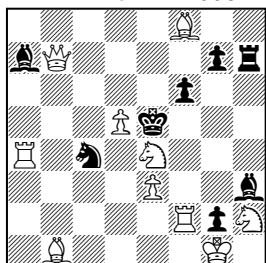
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1. ♖5d4 ! [2. ♖e3#] 1... ♖xd3, c1 2. ♖b8# 1... ♖xg2 2. ♖xe2# 1... ♖xg1, ♖xd4/♖d5 2.g3/♖xd5#

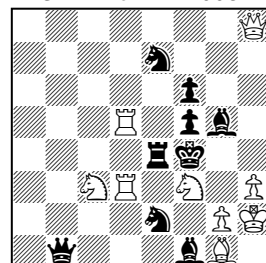
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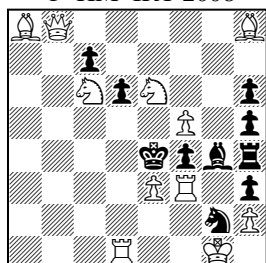
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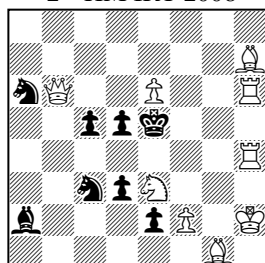


**Yoel Aloni**  
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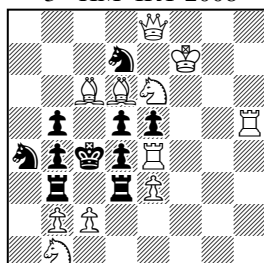
#2 11+10

**Uri Avner**  
2<sup>nd</sup> HM IRT 2008



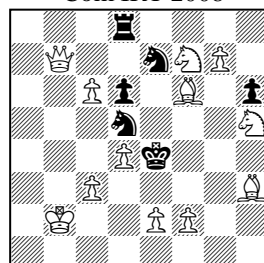
#2 9+8

**Abdelaziz Onkoud**  
3<sup>rd</sup> HM IRT 2008



#2 11+10

**Anatoly Sirkitz**  
**Nikolai Vlasenko**  
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#2 12+6

**1<sup>st</sup> Honourable Mention: Vm 1769, Yoel Aloni**

Three excellent mate changes and one mate transfer. Nice activity of the white batteries on the king-flights.

1. ♖e8 ? zz 1... ♜xf5 2. ♘cd4# 1... ♜xf3 2. ♘ed4# 1... ♘xf3 2. ♘g7# 1... ♘xf5 2. ♘g5# 1... d5 2. ♘ed4# 1... ♜xe3 2. ♘g5# but 1... ♘e1 !

1. ♖b3 ! [2. ♖d5#] 1... ♜xf5 2. ♘e7# 1... ♜xf3 2. ♘cd4# 1... ♘xf3 2. ♖d3# 1... ♘xe3 2. ♖xf4#

**2<sup>nd</sup> Honourable Mention: Vm 1821, Uri Avner**

White correction associated with threat-correction, with, as a prime, a Dombrovskis effect (after 1. ... d4 in the set play). However, the try-play (1. Sxd5?) is richer than the real play (only one variation).

1...d4 2.f4# 1. ♘~ ? [2.f4#] but 1...d4 ! 1. ♘f5 ? [2. ♖d6#] 1... ♘e4 2.f4# but 1... ♘b5 !

1. ♘xd5 ? [2. ♖h5#] 1... ♘xd5 2.f4# 1... ♘xd5 2. ♖e4# but 1... ♘e4 !

1. ♘g2 ! [2.f4#] 1...d4 2. ♖h5#

**3<sup>rd</sup> Honourable Mention: Vm 1765, Abdelaziz Onkoud**

A pretty complex Barnes / Sushkov / Pseudo-Le Grand, but the set is heavily charged.

1. ♘c7 ? [2. ♘xb5, ♘xd5#] 1... ♘b6, f6 2. ♘xb5# but 1... ♘c3 !

1. ♘f4 ? [2. ♘xd5#] 1... ♘c3 2.cxd3# 1... ♘db6, f6 2. ♘xb5# but 1... ♘ab6 !

1. ♘xd4 ! [2. ♘xb5#] 1... ♖xd4 2. ♘d2# 1... ♘c3 2.cxb3# 1... dxe4 2. ♖e6# 1... exd4 2. ♘xd5#

**Commendations (without order)**

**Vm 1715, Anatoly Sirkitz & Nikolai Vlasenko**

Black correction of the black Knight d5 in the two tries and the solutions. The tries are defeated by correcting moves. In the solution, two new correcting moves bring back the two threat-mates of the first try as well as a Dombrovskis paradox.

1. ♘g5 ? [2. ♘g3, f3#] 1... ♘d~ 2. ♘f6# 1... hxc3 2. ♘g5# 1... ♘f5 2. ♘g2#

2.f3# but 1... ♘xc3 ! 1. ♖b3 ? [2. ♖c2#] 1... ♘d~ 2. ♖e6# 1... ♘f4 2. ♘g3#

1... ♖b8 2. ♘xd6# but 1... ♘c7 ! 1. ♖b5 ! [2. ♖d3#] 1... ♘d~ 2. ♘g2# 1... ♘e3

2.f3# 1... ♘f4 2. ♘g3# 1... ♖b8 2. ♘xd6#

**Vm 1721, Uri Avner**

A problem well liked by the solvers!

1. ♘g4 ! [2. ♖g3#] 1... ♜xg4 2. ♖h4# 1... ♜xg5 + 2. ♘e5# 1... ♖f5 + 2.e5#

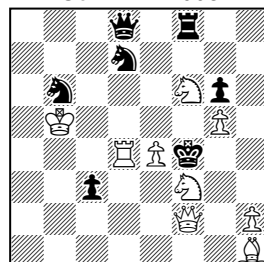
**Vm 1714, Aaron Hirschenson**

Elegant threat correction. 1. ♖c~ ? [2. ♘f5#] but 1... ♖a1 ! 1. ♖c1 ? but

1... bxc1 ! 1. ♖c7 ? [2. ♘f5, ♖c8#] but 1... ♘e7 ! 1. ♖c6 ! [2. ♖xd6#]

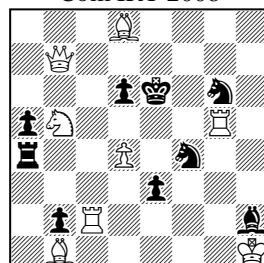
1... ♖xd4 2. ♘xd4# 1... ♘f4 ~ 2.d5# 1... ♘d5 2. ♘f5# 1... ♘e7 2. ♖xe7#

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#2 9+7

**Aaron Hirschenson**  
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#2 8+9