

IGM Pal Benko - 80! Jubilee Endgame Studie Tourney

On the occasion of the 80 th birthday of **IGM Pal Benko** on July 14 th 2008 the magazine **Magyar Sakkvilag** organizes an international formal thematic tourney to honour the excellent chess player and chess composer.

Theme: Starting from the initial position of the play White and Black don't capture any piece in the main line during the first eight moves at least.

Judge: **Pal Benko**

Prizes: Books, the Sakkvilag's one-year subscription.

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Closing date: July 14 th 2008.

The preliminary award of tourney will be published on September 1 st 2008 at the web page of the Magyar Sakkvilag <http://www.sakkvilag.hu/page.php?mit=dpage&page=downloads&category=7> and that of Janos Mikitovics <http://www.magyarsakkszerzok.com/study.htm>.

Examples

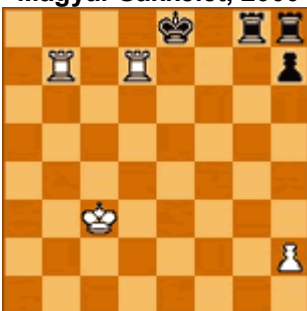
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[**Thematic 1–11:** 1.Qe5+ Kc1 2.Rb8 Rc4+ 3.Kd3 Rd4+ 4.Kc3 Qd6 5.Qe3+ Rd2 6.Rb4 f5 7.Ra4 Qc6+ 8.Rc4 Qd5 9.Rc8 Qd7 10.Rc5 Qd6 11.Kb3+ Kb1]
[**Non thematic 12->**: 12.Rc1+ Kxc1 13.Qe1+ Rd1 14.Qc3+ Kb1 15.Qb2#

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[**Thematic 1–8:** 1.Rd2! Rf8 2.Kc2! [2.Kb2? Rhg8 3.h3 h6 4.h4 h5 5.Ka2 Rf6; 2.Ra2? Rf3+ 3.Kd4 0–0!] 2...Rhg8 3.Kb2 h6 4.h3! [4.h4? h5 5.Ka2 Rf6 6.Rc2 (6.Rb8+ Kf7 7.Rd7+ Ke6) 6...Ra6+ 7.Kb2 Ra8] 4...h5 5.h4 Rh8 [5...Rf6 6.Rc2 Rd6 7.Rc8+ Rd8 8.Rxd8+ Kxd8 9.Rb8+] 6.Ka2 Rhg8 7.Ra7 Rh8 8.Rb2 Rf2]
[**Non thematic:** 9.Rxf2 wins.]

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