

17th “Ukrainian Folk Crafts” Theme Tourney

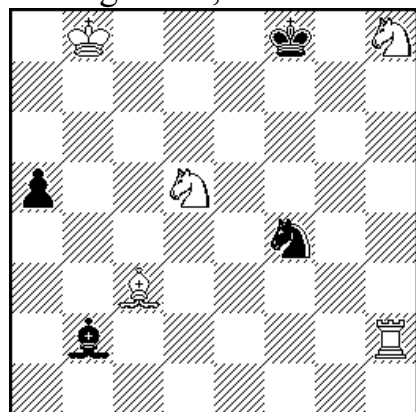
The Chess Federation of Ukraine, in association with the Ukrainian Commission for Chess Composition, announces the 17th “Ukrainian Folk Crafts” theme tourney for WCCC participants (co-authors of entries may be non-participants in the Congress). There will be traditional prizes – products of the Artistic Ceramics Opishnia Plant (Poltava province, Ukraine), honorable mentions and commendations.

This time the tourney is dedicated to the 70th birthday of IG Mikhail Marandyuk, who was born on January 17, 1949, in the region of Bukovina, town of Novoselytsia, Chernivtsi oblast. Mikhail published his first original problem in 1968; now he is 8 times WCCI winner.

Theme: Bukovina theme, helpmate in 2 – in the diagram position, a square adjacent to the black king is guarded by a white piece. Black captures that piece and then blocks the square which has become unguarded. The theme was proposed by N. Nagnibida.

Example

N. Nagnibida, *Probleemblad* 1989



h# 2

5+4

Solution:

1.Bxc3 Rc2 2.Bg7 Rc8#

1.Sxd5 Rd2 2.Se7 Rd8#

Computer-tested (C+) entries (no more than three from an author) on diagrams with standard chess piece icons and full solution should be sent to kuren6135@gmail.com no later than 17:00 UTC, August 21, 2018.

Tourney judges:

Yevgen Reytsen, Nataliia Kucherenko, Andrey Frolkin