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Minutes of the 2000 CJA Membership Meeting

Treasurer's Report for the annual meeting:

8-1-99 Balance: \$3794.16

Income:

interest: 77.31
memberships: 900.00
contest entries: 350.00

Expenses:

printing: 567.31
editor's fees, expenses: 467.86
postage: 316.70
award certificates '99: 267.45
webmaster: 200.00
contest postage '00: 92.49

8-1-00 balance: \$3209.66

Minutes from the Meeting:

Presided over by Pete Tamburro, President; Selby Anderson Vice President.

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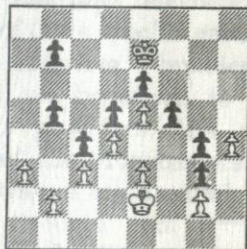
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wins by creating a passed pawn and promoting it.

COOK!

Calvin Marshall, Ohio
Here is one that was sent in for the Bafflers. Unfortunately, it is not ready to publish for different reasons. Let's see the author's intended solution.



White to move and win

- 1. e4!! fxe4
- Or 1. ... dxe4 2. Ke3 Kf7 3. d5 exd5 4. h5 Ke6 5. h6.
- 2. Ke3 Kf7 3. Kf4 Kg6 4. Kxg4 b6 5.

Kxg3 Kh5 6. Kh3 Kg6 7. g4 Kh6 8. g5+ Kh5 9. Kg3 Kg6 10. Kg4 Kh7 11. h5 Kg7 12. g6 Kh6 13. Kh4 Kg7 14. Kg5! e3 15. h6+ Kg8 16. Kf6 e2 17. h7+ wins.

First of all, it is not sound. After 1. e4 fxe4 2. Ke3 Kf7 3. Kf4 e3! 4. Kxe3 Kg6 5. Kf4 Kh5 6. Kxg3 b6! Black has at least a draw.

This could be repaired by taking away the ... b7-b6 tempo. But in that case, why all those queenside pawns? We can remove the a3, b2, b5, and b7 pawns. If White's king goes around the queenside for the e6-pawn, the Black king meanwhile breaks into the kingside to secure the draw. In short, the study needs work.

On the other hand, we have many nice, similar breakthroughs in chess literature. Is it worth while to do all the required work on this position in order to add another?

So far, our samples of pawn endings are relatively easy. Next time we will examine more difficult endings, where even grandmasters have gone wrong.

BENKO'S BAFFLERS

Send submissions to Benko's Bafflers, Chess Life, 3054 Route 9W, New Windsor, NY 12553.

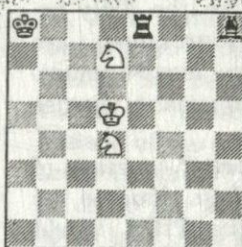


1794

Richard H. Becker

Oregon

White to play and draw.



1795

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White to play and draw.

Most studies resemble positions that could occur over-the-board. You must simply reach a theoretically won or drawn position for White. If you think you've got the right answers — or if you're simply baffled — Check It Out on page 65.

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Old Business:

The president noted that three goals we had set last year were accomplished.

- 1. get winners to last year's CJA awards their awards before Jan. 1, 2000.
- 2. get the magazine out on time; done thanks to John Hillery
- 3. establish a website which was set up and is being maintained by J. Franklin Campbell

New Business:

- 1. A report by Helen Warren, chief judge, on the CJA awards:

a. a tremendous increase in entries, yet no contestants in 3 categories

b. a reading of the winners; official list on our website
2. Rules changes to the CJA contest

a. a motion was passed to open all appropriate categories to online publishing. John Hillery's comment in the CJ that online works could be edited and changed which hard copies could not was noted. Thus online entrants will be required to date and send a copy of possible entrants to either the president or the webmaster. There will be 3 special

online categories: column, tournament report, photo; all other online work will mix in with the others, e.g., opening analysis, editorial. etc.

b. a motion was passed concerning eligibility criteria: In order to qualify for CJA awards, you must be an American resident or be published in the American print medium(mag. or newspaper). Thus, an American resident featured in a foreign based web site is eligible, but a foreign national on the same site is not.

c. a motion was passed reinstating the practice of selecting the Journalist of the Year award through voting by the entire membership with nominations being put out in the Chess Journalist.

d. a motion was passed establishing a \$50/year patron category. Whoever pays \$50 will be listed as a patron of the CJA in each issue of that year in the Chess Journalist.

e. the matter of life memberships was tabled until next year

f. a report by the president as to the ongoing attempt to merge the Cramer Awards with the CJA awards. The Cramer committee has recommended this to Chess in the Schools, the overseer of the Cramer Awards funds.

