

67 WORLD CONGRESS OF CHESS COMPOSITION

Alba Iulia (Romania) July 5th - 12th, 2025

Murfatlar TT8

For the **8th edition of Murfatlar TT**, the condition required is **Masand** but it is possible to add a second condition (not fairy units).

Definition: A piece which directly threatens the opposite King, after it moves, changes the color of the pieces it controls or attacks, except the Kings. Pieces that gives check without having moved themselves (e.g. discovered check) do not cause a Masand effect.

The condition Masand can be tested by Jacobi.

This Tourney is in the memory of the late Gani Ganapati.

(b.1929 – d.2022)

Examples:

1) Sol: 1.g3 f5 2.Bh3 f4 3.Bxd7+(Bc8=wB) Sxd7 4.Bxb7 e6 5.Bg2 Bb4 **6.Bf1** Bxd2+(bBc1, wPf4) 7.Qxd2 Bxb2 8.Qc1 Bc3+(bRa1, wPg7) 9.Sd2 Bb4 **10.gxh8=B! Bf8** 11.Bb2 Rxc1+(bPc2) **12.Bxc1**. Impostor wBf1 & bBf8, Phoenix-Pronkin Bc1.

Not classified by the judge (?!)

2) Sol: 1.e3 b6 2.Ke2 Bb7 3.Kd3 Be4 [h7,a8=w][g2=b]+ 4.Kc4 Bxa8 5.hxg8=S Sc6 6.Sf6 [d7=w]#[-f6][-d7] Qd3 [f1,c2,d2,e3=b]#[-d3]+ 7.Se2 cxb1=Q 8.Qb3 Qd3 [d2,e3=w] [e2,b3=b]#[-b3][-d3] 9.Kb5 Sc3 [a2=b]#[-f1][-c3]

Deadline: July 7, 2025.

Judge: P. Răican, quarpaz1@yahoo.fr

Prize: **Selection of fairy ser-h=**
(a Quartz supplement, with dedication)

3) K. Prentos

1HM, Julias fairies 2017-18



11+10

PG 11

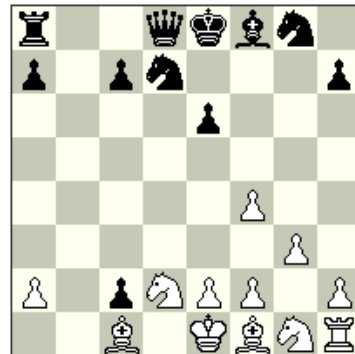
Masand

3) 1.d3 e5 2.Kd2 Qg5 [e5,g7=w][g2=b]+ 3.Ke1 h5 4.Bf4 Rh6 5.gxf8=Q [h6,f7,g8=w]+ + Kxf8 6.e3 gxf1=Q [g1,f2,d3=b]+ + 7.Kxf1 d6 8.Rxg1 fxg1=Q [g5=w] [h2,e3=b]+ 9.Qxg1 hxg1=Q [e3=w][g8=b]+ 10.Kxg1 Bg4 11.fxg8=Q [g4=w][a2=b]+ Kxg8

Five checking Schnoebelen Queens, causing a host of colour changes before they disappear; what a spectacle!
(judge: Dirk Borst)

1) P. Răican & Gani Ganapati (†)

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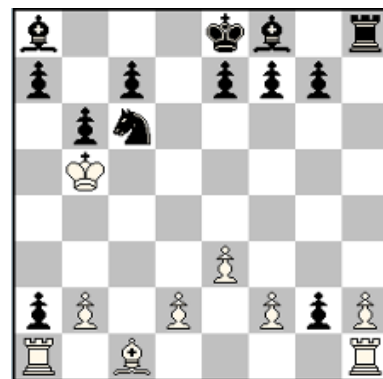
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Masand

2) P. Răican

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Masand #remove