Following on from Lincolnshire U140 team's win over Staffordshire a couple of weeks ago this week's game has been sent to me by William Orr. William now plays for Lincoln and is also captain of the U140 team and was paired as white against Andrew Leadbetter from Stafford, who is also treasurer of the Midland Counties Chess Union.

Play started with the Ruy Lopez opening 1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. Bb5 f5 and black continued with the Schliemann Defence, named after the German lawyer Adolf Schiemann, 4. exf5 Nf6 5. d3 Be7 6. Bxc6 dxc6 7. Nc3 Bxf5 8. Nxe5 0-0 where black sacrifices a pawn in order to open up the centre and more rapid development.

Play continued 9. Bd2 Bd6 10. Nf3 Re8+ 11. Be3 Ng4 12. 0-0 Nxe3 13. fxe3 Bg4 14. h3 Bxf3 15. Rxf3 and William manages to retain his pawn advantage 15. ...Qh4 16. Qe1 Qh6 17. Qe2 Bc5 18. Ne4 Be7 and another attempt by black to capture the pawn on e3 is thwarted.

Now William is able to gain the initiative with 19. Raf1 Rf8 20. Ng3 g6 preventing 21. Nf5 but opening up black's defence 21. Ne4 Qg7 22. c3 c5 23. d4 cxd4 24. exd4 Rxf3 25. Rxf3 Qh6 26. Qc4+ Kh8 27. Qxc7 gaining a second pawn 27. ...Qc1+ 28. Kh2 Bh4 and William needs to take care over black's attempted counterattack before closing in for the kill (see diagram).

William played 29. Qe5+ Kg8 30. Qe6+ Kg7 31. Rf7+ Kh6 (not 31. ...Kh8 or 31. ...Kg8 which both lead to mate) 32. Qg4 Bg5 33. Nxg5 Qxg5 34. Rxh7+ Kxh7 35. Qxg5 and black resigned.

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