

The now regular Tuesday night online tournament continued and this week we were joined by Daniel Wells from Newark. We don't often see Daniel as he is usually busy down in Whitehall on government business but this week he managed to escape from the corridors of power.

Rated 2116, Daniel was easily the top seed and true to form he won all his games the best of which came against Simon Green who finished in joint second place on 3.5 points with the opening moves, with Daniel as black, following the King's Indian London System 1. d4 Nf6 2. Nf3 g6 3. Bf4 Bg7 4. e3 0-0 5. Bd3 d6 6. Nbd2 c5 7. c3 Nc6 8. h3 Nd5 9. Bh2 e5 10. e4 Nf4 11. Bxf4 exf4 and this exchange has doubled up Daniel's f pawns put has opened up the diagonal for his bishop.

Play continued 12. d5 Ne5 13. Nxe5 Bxe5 14. Nf3 Bg7 15. 0-0 Rb8 16. Qd2 Qf6 17. Rfe1 Re8 18. Rab1 b5 19. b3 g5 20. c4 b4 21. Nh2 h5 22. f3 Qd4+ 23. Kh1 and the latest moves has given Daniel access to the a1-h8 diagonal for his queen and eventually his bishop (see diagram).

Daniel continued with 23. ...a5 24. Re2 Bd7 25. Bc2 Qf6 26. Qd1 Qh6 27. Rd2 Be5 28. Qf1 Kh8 29. Qf2 Rg8 30. Bd1 and white can see that Daniel is setting up an attack down the king's side but despite his best efforts he cannot prevent Daniel from playing 30. ...g4 31. fxg4 hxg4 32. Nxd4 Bxd4 33. Bxd4 Rxd4 winning the piece as black cannot retake.

Daniel took advantage after 34. Kg1 Rg3 35. Rf1 Rbg8 36. Qe1 Qxh3 and white resigned.

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