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Junta Ikeda celebrated his birthday in exactly the fashion he would have liked – with a victory against visiting Grandmaster Murtas Kazhgaleyev.

The tournament itself is still wide open, with GM Vasily Papin & IM Anton Smirnov now sharing the lead with 2.5/3.

In the IM event, Bob Smith kept his perfect score intact and continues to lead the event with 3/3. However the three IMs are hot on his heels, with Igor Bjelobrk on 2.5/3, while Kanan Izzat & Mirko Rujevic are on 2/3.



Moulthun Ly is hoping to change his fortunes ... perhaps a morning bike ride will help get him off the mark!

A rather unusual sight in the IM event ... all five games have started, but only one move has been made across the five boards! Five players were running late, but all games eventually got underway.



Round 3 Results

GM Event

1 Junta Ikeda	2418 2416	1:0	Murtas Kazhgaleyev	2576
2 Vasily Papin	2502 2517	1:0	Max Illingworth	2493 2523
3 Zuhao (Luke) Li	2342 2382	.5:.5	Karl Zelesco	2256 2281
4 Moulthun Ly	2463 2508	0:1	Bobby Cheng	2435 2489
5 Rustam Khusnutdinov	2472	.5:.5	Anton Smirnov	2420 2393

IM Event

1 Eugene Schon	2287 2305	.5:.5	Kanan Izzat	2402 2397
2 Igor Bjelobrk	2355 2432	1:0	Gregory J Canfell	2349 2379
3 Carl Gorka	2089 2113	0:1	Yi Liu	2233 2331
4 Mirko Rujevic	2211 2227	1:0	William Jordan	2233 2235
5 Mehmedalija Dizdarevic	1923 1908	0:1	Robert W Smith	2245 2304

Round 4 Pairings

GM Event

1 Murtas Kazhgaleyev	2576	:	Anton Smirnov	2420 2393
2 Bobby Cheng	2435 2489	:	Rustam Khusnutdinov	2472
3 Karl Zelesco	2256 2281	:	Moulthun Ly	2463 2508
4 Max Illingworth	2493 2523	:	Zuhao (Luke) Li	2342 2382
5 Junta Ikeda	2418 2416	:	Vasily Papin	2502 2517

IM Event

1 Kanan Izzat	2402 2397	:	Robert W Smith	2245 2304
2 William Jordan	2233 2235	:	Mehmedalija Dizdarevic	1923 1908
3 Yi Liu	2233 2331	:	Mirko Rujevic	2211 2227
4 Gregory J Canfell	2349 2379	:	Carl Gorka	2089 2113
5 Eugene Schon	2287 2305	:	Igor Bjelobrk	2355 2432

Round 5 Pairings

GM Event

1 Vasily Papin	2502 2517	:	Murtas Kazhgaleyev	2576
2 Zuhao (Luke) Li	2342 2382	:	Junta Ikeda	2418 2416
3 Moulthun Ly	2463 2508	:	Max Illingworth	2493 2523
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Games GM Event

Junta Ikeda once again played his favourite 1.b3 against Murtas Kazhgaleyev & the game soon transposed to an English Opening. With many of the central pawns blocked, the game appeared level until Kazhgaleyev allowed a tactic which Ikeda spotted. Ikeda calculated the tactics well before sacrificing some pawns to get his queen into Kazhgaleyev's position, forcing his resignation. A nice birthday present for Junta!

Ikeda,Junta (2418) - Kazhgaleyev,Murtas (2576) [A01]

Australasian Masters GM Melbourne (3.1), 15.12.2014

1.b3 e5 2.Bb2 d6 3.c4 Nf6 4.e3 g6 5.d3 Bg7
6.Nd2 0-0 7.Ngf3 Re8 8.Qc2 a5 9.a3 c5 10.Be2
Nc6 11.0-0 Ng4 12.h3 Nh6 13.Ne4 f5 14.Nc3 g5
15.Nd5 f4 16.Nh2 Nf5 17.Bh5 Rf8 18.e4 Nfe7
19.Bc3 Bd7 20.Nf3 Nxd5 21.exd5 Ne7 22.Nd2 Nf5
23.Ne4 Nh4 24.g3 Nf5 25.g4 Nd4 26.Bxd4 exd4
27.f3 Be5 28.a4 Rc8 29.Rf2 Rc7 30.Qd2 b6
31.Rh2 Bc8 32.Qg2 Bf6 33.Kf2 Re7 34.Re1 Re5
35.Rhh1 Be7 36.Qh2 Kg7 37.Rhg1 Bd7 38.Rg2
Qa8 39.Kg1 Kh8 40.Kh1 Rg8 41.Rge2 Qf8
(diagram) 42.Nxd6 Rxe2 43.Nf7+ Kg7 44.Qxe2
Bf6 45.h4 gxh4 46.g5 Bxg5 47.Qe5+



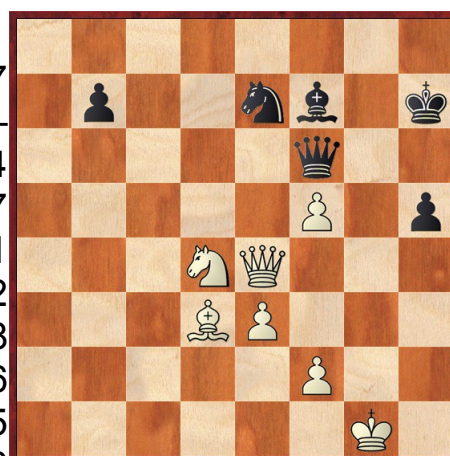
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Vasily Papin played his regulation English Opening against Max Illingworth, although the players soon found themselves in a Taimanov Sicilian with colours reversed. The position appeared reasonably level until Illingworth made a pawn break in the centre, and after a series of exchanges, Papin emerged a pawn ahead. He nursed this advantage into the late middlegame before Papin found a tactic that won a piece, forcing Illingworth to resign.

Papin,Vasily (2502) - Illingworth,Max (2493) [A28]

Australasian Masters GM Melbourne (3.2),
15.12.2014

1.c4 e5 2.e3 Nf6 3.Nc3 Nc6 4.a3 g6 5.Nf3 Bg7
6.Be2 0-0 7.Qc2 Re8 8.d3 d5 9.cxd5 Nxd5 10.0-0
a5 11.Rd1 h6 12.Rb1 g5 13.h3 g4 14.hxg4 Bxg4
15.Nh2 Be6 16.Bf3 f5 17.Bd2 Nb6 18.b3 Qe7
19.Bc1 Qc5 20.Bb2 Rad8 21.Rbc1 Bf7 22.Nf1
Re6 23.Nd2 Qe7 24.Nc4 Rg6 25.Ne2 a4 26.Nd2
axb3 27.Nxb3 e4 28.dxe4 Bxb2 29.Rxd8+ Nxd8
30.exf5 Rxc2+ 31.Bxc2 Bxc1 32.Nxc1 Nc6
33.Nc5 Ne5 34.Ne6 Nbc4 35.Nd3 Qxa3 36.Nxe5
Qa1+ 37.Bf1 Nxe5 38.Qe4 Nc6 39.Nxc7 Qf6
40.Ne6 Ne7 41.Nd4 Kh7 42.Bd3 h5 (diagram) 43.Qxe7 Qg7+ 44.Kh2



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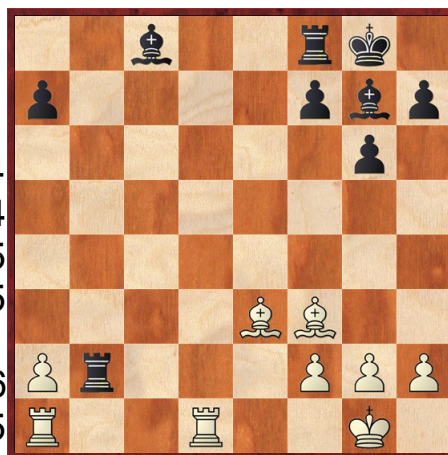
Luke Li played the Russian variation against Karl Zelesco's Grunfeld Defense. Luke won a pawn, however Karl had plenty of compensation for the pawn, with the players following theory for around 20 moves. Ultimately Luke decided to return the pawn & shortly after the players agreed a draw in a level rook & bishop endgame.

Li, Luke (2342) - Zelesco, Karl (2256) [D97]

Australasian Masters GM Melbourne (3.3),
15.12.2014

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Nf3 Bg7 5.Qb3 dxc4
6.Qxc4 0-0 7.e4 Nc6 8.Be2 e5 9.d5 Nd4 10.Nxd4
exd4 11.Qxd4 c6 12.Qc4 b5 13.Qb3 cxd5 14.exd5
b4 15.Qxb4 Nxd5 16.Nxd5 Qxd5 17.0-0 Qe5
18.Bf3 Rb8 19.Qa4 Qd4 20.Qxd4 Bxd4 21.Rd1
Bg7 22.Be3 Rxb2 **(diagram)** 23.Bc5 Re8 24.Bc6
Rc2 25.Rab1 Bg4 26.Bxe8 Bxd1 27.Rxd1 Rxc5
28.g3 Rc7

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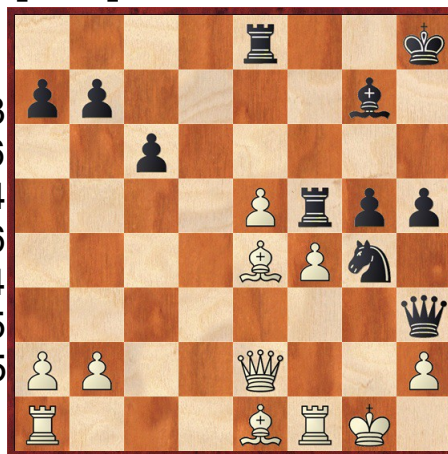


Bobby Cheng played the Gurgenidze Caro Kann against Moulthun Ly & snatched a pawn in the opening. Cheng managed to keep control of the position with tactics before developing an initiative on the kingside. After a few inaccurate moves from Ly, Cheng took control of the position before finishing with a nice combination to force Ly's resignation.

Ly, Moulthun (2463) - Cheng, Bobby (2435) [B15]

Australasian Masters GM Melbourne (3.4),
15.12.2014

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 c6 4.f4 d5 5.e5 Nh6 6.Nf3
0-0 7.Bd3 Bg4 8.0-0 f6 9.Qe1 e6 10.exf6 Qxf6
11.Ne5 Bf5 12.Be2 Bxc2 13.g4 Qd8 14.Qd2 Be4
15.Nxe4 dxe4 16.Qe3 Nd7 17.Bc4 Kh8 18.Bxe6
Nxe5 19.dxe5 Qe7 20.Bb3 Nxc4 21.Qe2 Qh4
22.Bd2 Rae8 23.Bd1 h5 24.Bb4 Rf5 25.Bc2 g5
26.Be1 Qh3 27.Bxe4 **(diagram)** Rxf4 28.Bf3 Bxe5
29.Bc3 Kg8 30.Kh1 Nxc2 31.Bg2 Nxf1+
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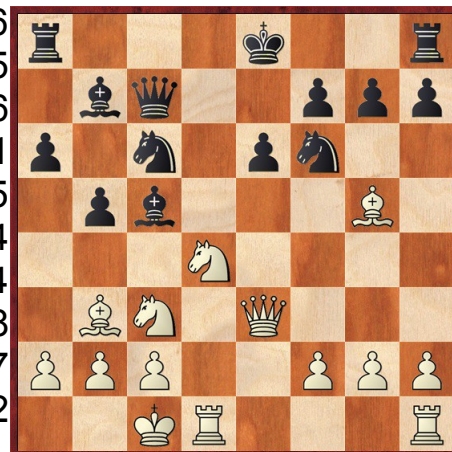
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Rustam Khusnutdinov played a topical line against Anton Smirnov's Najdorf Sicilian which features an early queen sacrifice. Rather than try to hang onto the queen, Smirnov returned it & found himself in a position where he had an extra exchange, but Khusnutdinov had two pawns in return. After some more exchanges, the players repeated the position, so the game was drawn.

Khusnutdinov,Rustam (2472) - Smirnov,Anton (2420) [B87]

Australasian Masters GM Melbourne (3.5), 15.12.2014

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6
 6.Bc4 e6 7.Bb3 b5 8.Bg5 Be7 9.Qf3 Qc7 10.e5
 Bb7 11.exd6 Bxd6 12.Qe3 Bc5 13.0-0-0 Nc6
(diagram) 14.Qxe6+ fxe6 15.Nxe6 Qe7 16.Rhe1
 Qxe6 17.Rxe6+ Ne7 18.Rde1 0-0-0 19.R1e5
 Bd4 20.Rxe7 Bxe5 21.Rxe5 Bxg2 22.a4 b4
 23.Na2 Bf3 24.Be6+ Kb7 25.b3 Rhe8 26.Nxb4
 Bg4 27.Bxf6 gxf6 28.Bd5+ Kb6 29.Rxe8 Rxe8
 30.Bc4 Be6 31.Bxa6 Rg8 32.Bd3 Rg2 33.Bxh7
 Rxh2 34.Be4 Rxf2 35.Nd3 Re2 36.Bg6 Rg2
 37.Be4 Re2 38.Bg6 Rg2 39.Be4



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IM Event

Schon,Eugene (2287) - Izzat,Kanan (2402) [D94]

Australasian Masters IM Melbourne (3.1), 15.12.2014

1.c4 c6 2.Nf3 d5 3.e3 Nf6 4.Nc3 g6 5.d4 Bg7 6.Be2 0-0 7.0-0 dxc4 8.Bxc4
 Bg4 9.h3 Bxf3 10.Qxf3 Nbd7 11.Rd1 e5 12.d5 e4 13.Nxe4 Nxe4 14.Qxe4
 Nb6 15.Qc2 cxd5 16.Be2 Rc8 17.Qb3 Qf6 18.Rb1 Rc5 19.Bd2 Rfc8 20.Bc3
 Qh4 21.Bxg7 Kxg7 22.Rd4 Rc1+ 23.Rxc1 Rxc1+ 24.Rd1 Rxd1+ 25.Bxd1 Qc4
 26.Qxc4 Nxc4 27.Bf3 Nxb2 28.Bxd5 b5 29.Kf1 Na4 30.Bb3 Nc5 31.Bc2 f5
 32.f4 Kf6 33.g4 a5 34.Ke2 b4 35.gxf5 gxf5 36.Kd2 a4 37.Kc1 Ke6 38.Kb2 h6
 39.Kc1 Kf6 40.Kb2 Kg6 41.Kc1 a3 42.Kb1 Kf6 43.Kc1 Nb7 44.Bd3 Nc5
 45.Bc2 Nb7 46.Bd3 Na5 47.Ba6 Kg6 48.Kb1 Kh5 49.Bd3 Kg6 50.Ba6 Kh5
 51.Bd3

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Bjelobrk,Igor (2355) - Canfell,Greg (2349) [E90]

Australasian Masters IM Melbourne (3.2), 15.12.2014

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.d4 0-0 6.h3 e5 7.d5 Na6 8.Bg5 h6
 9.Be3 Nc5 10.Nd2 a5 11.g4 c6 12.Be2 Bd7 13.h4 cxd5 14.cxd5 b5 15.g5
 hxg5 16.hxg5 Nh7 17.Nxb5 Bxb5 18.Bxb5 Rb8 19.a4 Nxg5 20.Qg4 Bf6
 21.Ke2 Rxb5 22.axb5 Qb6 23.Bxg5 Qxb5+ 24.Kf3 Bg7 25.Be3 f5 26.Qxg6
 Nxe4 27.Qe6+ Rf7 28.Nxe4 fxe4+ 29.Kg2 Qe2 30.Rh3 Kf8 31.Rxa5

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Gorka,Carl (2089) - Liu,Yi (2233) [C01]

Australasian Masters IM Melbourne (3.3), 15.12.2014

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 exd5 4.Bd3 Nc6 5.c3 Bd6 6.Qf3 Be6 7.Ne2 Qd7 8.Bf4 Bxf4 9.Nxf4 0-0-0 10.Nxe6 Qxe6+ 11.Kd2 Nge7 12.Na3 f6 13.Rhe1 Qf7 14.Re2 Kb8 15.Rae1 Nc8 16.Bf5 Nb6 17.b3 a6 18.Nc2 g6 19.Bd3 Rd6 20.Qh3 Rhd8 21.g4 R6d7 22.f4 Re7 23.f5 Rde8 24.Rxe7 Rxe7 25.fxg6 hxg6 26.Qh6 Rxe1 27.Bxg6 Qe7 28.Nxe1 Qa3 29.Bc2 Qxa2 30.Nd3 a5 31.Qf8+ Ka7 32.Qc5 Qa1 33.Nc1 Ka8 34.h4 a4 35.h5 axb3 36.Nxb3 Qg1 37.Qa3+ Na7 38.Qf8+ Nac8 39.Bd3 Ka7 40.h6 Nd6 41.Kc2 Qf2+ 42.Kd1 Na4 43.Nd2 Qg1+ 44.Kc2 Qa1 45.Nb1 Qa2+ 46.Kc1 Qb2+ 47.Kd1 Nxc3+ 48.Nxc3 Qxc3 49.Ke2 Qb2+ 50.Kf3 Qxd4 51.Ke2 Qxg4+ 52.Kd2 Qb4+ 53.Ke2 Qb2+ 54.Kd1 Qa1+ 55.Ke2 Qe5+ 56.Kd2 Qg5+ 57.Kd1 Qh5+ 58.Kd2 Qh2+ 59.Kd1 Qg1+ 60.Ke2 Qh2+ 61.Kd1 Qh3 62.Ke2 d4 63.Kd2 Qe3+ 64.Kc2 Qf2+ 65.Kd1 Qf3+ 66.Kc2 Qc6+ 67.Kd1 Qc3 68.Ke2 Qb2+ 69.Kd1 Qa1+ 70.Ke2 Qc1

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Rujevic,Mirko (2211) - Jordan,William (2233) [B04]

Australasian Masters IM Melbourne (3.4), 15.12.2014

1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.d4 d6 4.Nf3 c6 5.c4 Nc7 6.Nc3 g6 7.exd6 Qxd6 8.Be3 Bg7 9.Be2 0-0 10.0-0 Ne6 11.c5 Qc7 12.Bc4 b6 13.Qc1 Rd8 14.cxb6 axb6 15.d5 Nc5 16.Bf4 Qb7 17.Rd1 Bg4 18.Qe3 cxd5 19.Rxd5 Nc6 20.h3 Nb4 21.Rxd8+ Rxd8 22.hxg4 Nc2 23.Qc1 Nxa1 24.Qxa1 Qd7 25.Qe1 Kf8 26.Qe2 Bxc3 27.bxc3 Qd1+ 28.Qxd1 Rxd1+ 29.Kh2 Ne4 30.Be3 Rd6 31.Ng5 Nng5 32.Bxg5 Rc6 33.Bh6+ Kg8 34.Bb5 Rxc3 35.Be3 Ra3 36.Bc4 b5 37.Bb3 Ra6 38.Kg3 e5 39.Kf3 Kg7 40.g5 f5 41.gxf6+ Kxf6 42.Ke4 Rd6 43.g4 g5 44.Bd5 Ra6 45.Bb3 Rd6 46.Bc5 Rd8 47.Ke3 Rd7 48.Ke4 Rd8 49.Bd5 Rc8 50.Bb6 Rc1 51.Bd8+ Kg6 52.Kxe5 h5 53.gxh5+ Kxh5 54.Bb6 g4 55.Be3 Rc2 56.Kd6 Kh4 57.Bc5 g3 58.fxg3+ Kxg3 59.Bb3 Rc1 60.Kc6

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Dizdarevic,Mehmedalija (1923) - Smith,Robert (2245) [B99]

Australasian Masters IM Melbourne (3.5), 15.12.2014

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bg5 e6 7.f4 Nbd7 8.Qf3 Qc7 9.0-0-0 b5 10.Bd3 Bb7 11.Rhe1 Be7 12.Bxf6 Nxf6 13.Qh3 b4 14.Na4 Nd7 15.Qh5 g6 16.Qg4 e5 17.Nf3 Bc6 18.b3 Bxa4 19.bxa4 exf4 20.Qxf4 0-0 21.Qh6 Bf6 22.Ng5 Bxg5+ 23.Qxg5 Ne5 24.Qd2 Qa5 25.Be2 Rfd8 26.Qd5 Qxa4 27.Qb3 Qc6 28.Rd5 Rab8 29.Kb1 Qb6 30.Rf1 Rb7 31.h4 Rc7 32.Qg3 Rc3 33.Qg5 Rdc8 34.Qf6 Rxc2 35.Rxe5 Qc7 36.Re8+ Rxe8 37.Bd3 Rc3 38.Qf3 Rc8 39.Qe3 b3 40.a3 b2 41.Kxb2 Qb7+

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