

This week's game features Harry Russell from Louth playing for Lincolnshire in Division 3 of the National Correspondence Championship. As reported last week Lincolnshire came 4th with 9½ points with Harry winning both his games on board 1 against Derek Price from Staffordshire.

Harry was a teacher in Sheffield before retirement and was a part of the Louth team which won the Lincolnshire League Division 1 in the 2016/17 season.

In the game where Harry was white we pick up the game after black has just played 34. ...Bxd7 (see diagram) completing an exchange of rooks leaving the game materially even but Harry's next move gains an advantage - can you see it?

Harry played 35. Ne7+ and black is forced to play 35. ...Rxe7 36. Bxe7 winning the exchange for white as the alternative 35. ...Kf8 36. Rxh7 and 37. ...Rh8 is terminal and Harry went on to win a few moves later.

Meanwhile, the Lincolnshire County Championships will take place on July 21/22 at the regular venue of the Atrium at the Lindum Business Park with many thanks to Herman Kok who provides the venue free of charge for this event and also the home matches involving the 3 Lincolnshire County teams.

If you would like to enter then me to obtain an entry form. My email address is peter.sherlock4@ntlworld.com.

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