

Wyoming Open 2016

Lyle Hanson (1852) vs Sullivan McConnell (1771)

Round #2 Giuoco Piano (A fight which goes back and forth)

1. e4, e5
2. Nf3, Nc6
3. Bc4, Bc5
4. c3, Nf6
5. d4, ed
6. cd, Bb4+
7. Bd2, Bxd2+
8. N/bxd2, 0-0?! MCO 15 gives, 8. ..., d5 9. ed, Nxd5 10. Qb3, Na5 11. Qa4+, Nc6 =
9. e5, Ne8 (Black now gets pushed around with a fascinating position!)
10. d5, Ne7 (White could have tried 10. Qc2, ... looked better)
11. Ne4, d6 (Lyle may have not known the McConnell Boys, not pushovers)
12. 0-0, Bg4
13. N/eg5! , h6 (White over confident, 13. ed, Nxe6 14. Nxd6, Qxd6, looks O.K.)
14. h3, Bf5 (Maybe 14. Qd4, ... looks better)
15. e6?!, hxg5 (The best way to refute a sacrifice is to accept it!)
16. exf7, Rxf7
17. Nxc5, Rf8
18. g4! , Ng6 (White is going to throw in the Kitchen sink soon!)

19. h4, Nxh4 (Black is not afraid.)
20. f4, Bd7
21. Qd3, Nf6 (Maybe 21. Qc2, Nf6 22. Qh2, Nxf4 23. Qxh4, ... better for White)
22. Qh3, Ng6
23. Bd3, Bxg4 (Black has no fear now, he is in control.)
24. Qg3, Ne7
25. R/ae1, Nf5
26. Qh2, Nh6 (Black shows caution. 26. ..., R/fe8, Shows Possibilities.)
27. f5, Nxd5 (Black just exchanges and wins.)
28. Ne6, Qf6
29. Bc4, c6 White continues to charge!
30. Qd2, Bxf5
31. Nxf8, Rxf8
32. Bxd5+, cxd5
33. Qxd5+, Qf7
34. Qxd6, Qg3+
35. Kh1?, Qxd6 White resigns