

The Third “Chess Kings” Tournament Hosted at the Highlands School, Tilehurst

RESULTS

The 3rd Chess Kings Tournament took place at the Highlands School, Tilehurst. Following the success of the 1st tournament in Rydes Hill School, Guildford, 16 players, and the 2nd tournament in the Hawthorns School, Woose Hill, 28 players we were up to 43 registered players! We hope that it continues in this way!

This time the competition was broken into sections played over 5 rounds followed by a simultaneous display. The top section saw the appearance of defending champion, the hugely talented Felix Jose Ynojosa, and the England Under 12 Representative Peter Williams, plus 4 other very talented players including Grand Prix Leader Matthew Wilson. Felix won the key clash of the tournament against Peter to win outright.



Kings: 1.Felix Ynojosa - 4.5, 2.P.Williams - 4 3. D.Noel - 3

The second section was won jointly by top girl Louise Head, and Hubert Buiatti in a very tight group.



Rooks: 1= L Head, H Buiatti – 3.5 3= Louis Payne, Stanislas Buiatti -3

In the Bishops section, Harry Buxton, of St.Marks school proved too strong for the competition. In very impressive form, he has obviously been practising recently, and will have to move up a level next time!

Bishops: 1.H.Buxton - 5, 2. T.Zeng – 3, 3= A.Fowles, S.Kwak - 2.5

In the knights section, regular competitor Lucas Gibert had done enough to win with a round to go, which was lucky as he lost that round to second place finisher Adrian Kozhevnikov!

Knights: 1. L.Gibert – 4, 2. A. Kozhevnikov – 3.5, 3= O.Gaen, C.Green – 3

The pawns section was a much bigger section, run by experienced chess teachers Ken and Christine Coates.

Alicia Vidal of St.Mark’s School ran out the winner with an impressive 4.5/5, followed jointly by Alex Squire and Oliver Lunn on 4/5, both of the Rivermead School.

The Simul was well attended, and we managed to raise £38 for charity – thanks to all who donated. Fortunately none of the players managed to beat me this time!



Below are the Grand Prix Scores. We don't have cash prizes on the day for any of the tournaments, but for kids who play well over the first 10 tournaments there will be cash prizes after the 10th tournament is finished. This £100 prize list will probably be extended if numbers remain as they are. Instead a lot of money is spent on trophies each time so that everyone can receive a prize.



The scores are calculated fairly so that players who either play well or regularly attend, finish near the top!

The first 2 tournament scores have been adjusted to count as the score + 1
This time round Kings get their score +3, Rooks score +2, Bishops Score +1, Knights score + ½,
Pawns get their score on the day.

The current scores after 3 tournaments are:

Pos	Name	Tot	Pos	Name	Tot	Pos	Name	Tot
1	Matthew Wilson	16.5	23	Harvey Jensen	4.5	45	Megan Coutts	3
2	Felix Ynojosa	13.5		Alicia Vidal	4.5		Mahnoor Khan	3
3	Lucas Gibert	12	25	Alex Cobb	4		Angus Winter	3
4	Louise Head	9.5		Michael Tran	4		Lucy Wagstaff	3
5	Ross Mcgee	9		Leo Nash	4		Jhitny	3
6	Elliott Unger	8		Maximillian Papachristos	4	50	Ylana Gibert	2.5
7	Annabel Maclaurin	7.5		Dan Morgan	4		Pankhuri Gadi	2.5
	Seunghyun Kwak	7.5		Isobel Taylor	4		Benjamin Morrell	2.5
9	Oliver Gaen	7		Ellie Ascione	4		Perry Knight	2.5
	Oliver Lunn	7		Jack Wood	4		Thomas Gunter	2.5
	Peter Williams	7		Adam Byles	4		Sebastian Milhofer	2.5
12	Samuel Hall	6.5		Tim Zeng	4		Arisa Azamtu	2.5
				Adrian Kozhevnikov	4	57	Aaron Stein	2
13	Daniel Noel	6		Alex Squire	4		Ilana Stein	2
	Harry Buxton	6		Henry Brabyn	3.5		Rebecca Russell	2
15	Jasmine Noel	5.5	37	Henry Russell	3.5		Peter Morrell	2
	Hubert Buiatti	5.5		Marcus Smith	3.5		Mikey Anniss	2
17	Roy Zhang	5		Melissa Meredith	3.5		Scarlet McNicol	2
	Alex Cross	5		Danny Rafique	3.5	63	Imogen Phillips	1.5
	Tristan Hughes	5		Alex Fowles	3.5		Joshua Milhofer	1.5
	Rajan Phull	5		Caitlin Green	3.5		Sam Hargreaves	1.5
	Louis Payne	5		Amy Martin	3.5	66	Isobel James	1
	Stanislas Buiatti	5						

Finally it leaves me to say a massive thank you to all the people that made the day a success, in particular – Ken and Christine Coates for all their help with the chess

Michele and Jenny for their excellent contribution, setting up, tidying away and keeping the kids (and parents) well fed!

Mrs Bennett (headmistress) for allowing us the venue and all of her staff.

All the children and parents for showing up!

The next tournament will hopefully take place in February or early March. Please keep an eye on www.nickpert.com for details. Also please enter early to guarantee a place as we had to turn away some late entries this time round. Anyone interested in providing a venue in the future, please contact me, it will help to bring great publicity to the school.

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