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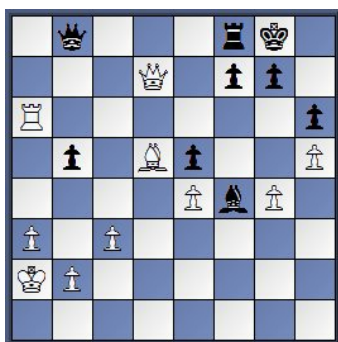
At the Asian Continental Blitz Championships. In foreground, from left are 3rd place GM Ehsan Ghaem Maghami of Iran, 2nd placer GM Pentala harikrishna of India and Open champion Yu Yangyi of China, women's champion Tan Zhongyi of China, 2nd placer GM Harika Dronavali and 3rd placer WIM Zhansaya Abdumalik of Kazakhstan. In background, from left are International Arbiter Elias Khairallah of Lebanon, Organizing Committee Media and Public Relations manager Hassan Malallah, Asian Chess Federation Secretary General Hisham Al Taher, Sharjah Chess Club chairman Sheikh Saud Bin Abdulaziz Al Mualla, UAE Chess Federation General Secretary Jamal Modfa and Sharjah Chess Club manager Rajai Al Susi. (Photo by Mehrdad Pahlevanzadeh)

Grandmasters B. Adhiban of India, Ehsan Ghaem Maghami of Iran and Yu Yangyi of China beat their respective 3rd round opponents to share the lead with 3 points each in the Asian Continental Chess Championship Open division at the Sharjah Chess Club in Sharjah, UAE while in the women's division, former Asian women's champion Irene Sukandar of Indonesia and six others are tied for the lead at 2.5 points each. Four players follow a half point behind the leaders at 2.5 points each, namely GMs Ziaur Rahman of Bangladesh, Rustam Kasimdzhanov of Uzbekistan and Chinese GMs Bu Xiangzhi and Wen Yang.

Twenty three players trail at 2 points each in the race for five places to advance to the World Cup. In the Women's division, tied for the lead at 2.5 points each are Irene Sukandar of Indonesia and six others, namely 13-year-old Zhansaya Abdumalik of Kazakhstan, Nguyen Thi Thanh An of Vietnam, Ni Shiqun of China, Sarasadat Khadomalsharieh and Atousa Pourkashiyani of Iran and Gong Qianyun of Singapore. Sukandar beat WGM Mary Ann Gomes of India, Nguyen Thi beat IM Tania Sachdev of India, Ni Shiqun beat WFM Hulkar Tohirjonova, Gong beat Hoang Thi Nhu of Vietnam while Abdumalik and Khadomalsharieh drew with each other.

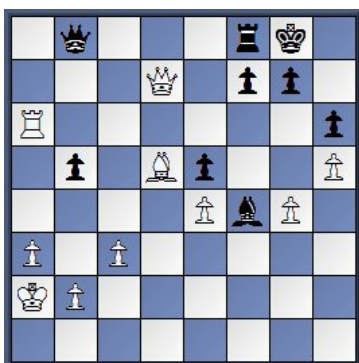
W: Yu, Yangyi (CHN) 2667
B: Salem, A.R. Saleh (UAE) 2561

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 e6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nxd4 Nc6 5. Nc3 d6 6. Be3 Nf6 7. f4 Bd7 8. Qf3 Nxd4 9. Bxd4 Qa5 10. O-O-O e5 11. Bf2 Rc8 12. fxe5 dxe5 13. Rxd7 Rxc3 14. Rd3 Rc7 15. Kb1 Be5 16. Bh4 Be7 17. Bxf6 Bxf6 18. Be2 O-O 19. c3 Rcc8 20. Bd1 b5 21. a3 Be7 22. Bb3 Rcd8 23. Rhd1 Qc7 24. Rxd8 Bxd8 25. Rd5 a6 26. Qd3 Be7 27. Rd7 Qc5 28. Rb7 Bg5 29. g3 Qf2 30. h4 Qd2 31. Qf3 Bf6 32. Ka2 Qd6 33. g4 h6 34. Qf5 Be7 35. h5 Qd8 36. Rd7 Qe8 37. Ra7 Bg5 38. Bd5 Bf4 39. Rxa6 Qb8 40. Qd7 1-0



W: Bu, Xiangzhi (CHN) 2699
B: Sengupta, Deep (IND) 2531

1. c4 c6 2. Nf3 d5 3. d4 Nf6 4. e3 e6 5. Bd3 dxc4 6. Bxc4 c5 7. O-O a6 8. dxc5 Bxc5 9. Qxd8+ Kxd8 10. Nbd2 Ke7 11. Be2 Bd7 12. Nb3 Bb6 13. Ne5 Bb5 14. Nc4 Bxc4 15. Bxc4 Nc6 16. Rd1 Rhd8 17. Bd2 Ne4 18. Be1 g6 19. Kf1 Rxd1 20. Rxd1 Rd8 21. Rc1 f5 22. Bxa6 bxa6 23. Rxc6 Rb8 24. Ke2 Kd7 25. Rc4 e5 26. Ra4 Ra8 27. Ba5 Ba7 28. f3 Nc5 29. Nxc5+ Bxc5 30. Bc3 Bd6 31. g4 fxe4 32. fxe4 h5 33. Kd3 Bc7 34. gxe5 gxe5 35. Ke4 a5 36. Kd5 Rg8 37. Rh4 Rg5 38. e4 Bb6 39. Rh3 a4 40. Rg3 1-0



W: Ghaem Maghami, Ehsan (IRI) 2556
B: Sasikiran, Krishnan (IND) 2680

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Qxd4 Nc6 5. Bb5 Nf6 6. Bg5 Bd7 7. Bxc6 Bxc6 8. Nc3 e6 9. O-O-O Be7 10. Rhe1 O-O 11. e5 dxe5 12. Nxe5 Qa5 13. Qh4 Rad8 14. Ng4 Rxd1+ 15. Rxd1 Nxe4 16. Bxe7 Re8 17. Qxe4 Rxe7 18. f3 h6 19. Qf4 Re8 20. a3 Rd8 21. Rxd8+ Qxd8 22.



GM Yu Yangyi (CHN)



GM Bu Xiangzhi (CHN)

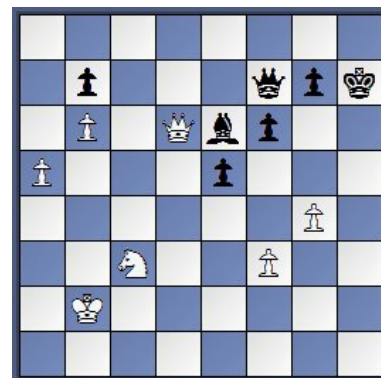


GM Ehsan Ghaem Maghami (IRI)



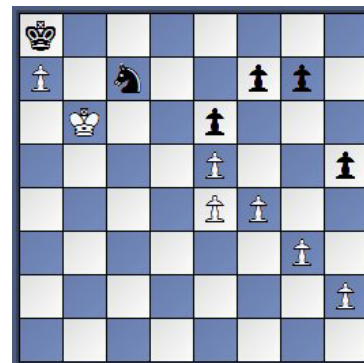
GM Rustam Kasimdzhanov (UZB)

b4 a6 23. a4 Qb6 24. Kb2 e5 25. Qc4 Bd7 26. a5 Qd6 27. Ne4 Qg6 28. g4 Bc6 29. h3 h5 30. Qd3 f6 31. c4 hxe4 32. hxe4 Qf7 33. b5 axb5 34. cxb5 Bd5 35. Nc3 Be6 36. Qd6 Kh7 37. b6 1-0

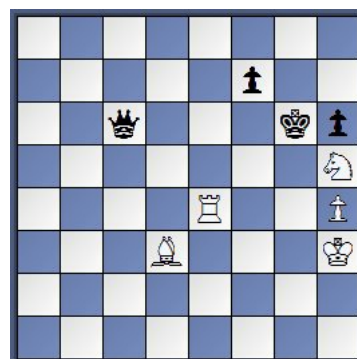


W: Kasimdzhanov, Rustam (UZB) 2693
B: Nguyen, Duc Hoa (VIE) 2508

1. c4 e6 2. g3 d5 3. Bg2 Nf6 4. Nf3 Be7 5. O-O O-O 6. d4 dxc4 7. Qa4 a6 8. Qxc4 b5 9. Qc2 Bb7 10. Bd2 Be4 11. Qc1 Bb7 12. Bf4 Bd6 13. Nc3 Ne4 14. Ne5 Nxc3 15. Qxc3 Bxg2 16. Kxg2 Bxe5 17. dxe5 Nd7 18. Qc6 Nb6 19. e4 Qd7 20. Rac1 Rfc8 21. b3 h6 22. Rfd1 Qxc6 23. Rxc6 Ra7 24. Be3 Rb7 25. f4 a5 26. Rdc1 Nd7 27. Ra6 a4 28. bxa4 bxa4 29. Rc2 Rb4 30. Kf3 Kf8 31. a3 Rb3 32. Rxa4 Nb6 33. Ra7 Ra8 34. Rxa8+ Nxa8 35. Ke2 Ke8 36. Ra2 Nb6 37. a4 Nc4 38. Bf2 Kd7 39. a5 Kc8 40. Bd4 Kb8 41. a6 h5 42. Rc2 Rb4 43. Kd3 Na3 44. a7+ Ka8 45. Rxc7 Rxd4+ 46. Kxd4 Nb5+ 47. Kc5 Nxc7 48. Kb6 1-0



W: Adhiban, B. (IND) 2609
B: Gopal, G.N. (IND) 2553



(after 84. Ng3-h5+ Kf6-g6 85. Kg2-h3) and cont. 85... Qxe4 86. Nf4+ and 1:0 on move 93.

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Round 3 on 2014/04/19 at 11:00

Bo.		Name	IRtg	FED	Pts	Res.	Pts		Name	IRtg	FED
1	GM	Yu Yangyi	2667	CHN	2	1 - 0	2	GM	Salem A.R. Saleh	2561	UAE
2	GM	Adhiban B.	2609	IND	2	1 - 0	2	GM	Gopal G.N.	2553	IND
3	GM	Wen Yang	2581	CHN	2	½ - ½	2	GM	Rahman Ziaur	2513	BAN
4	GM	Ghaem Maghami Ehsan	2556	IRI	2	1 - 0	1½	GM	Sasikiran Krishnan	2680	IND
5	GM	Bu Xiangzhi	2699	CHN	1½	1 - 0	1½	GM	Sengupta Deep	2531	IND
6	GM	Kasimdzhanov Rustam	2693	UZB	1½	1 - 0	1½	IM	Nguyen Duc Hoa	2508	VIE
7	GM	Batchuluun Tsegmed	2521	MGL	1½	½ - ½	1½	GM	Ganguly Surya Shekhar	2631	IND
8	GM	Nguyen Ngoc Truong Son	2621	VIE	1½	½ - ½	1½	IM	Idani Pouya	2502	IRI
9	GM	Debashis Das	2504	IND	1½	½ - ½	1½	GM	Vidit Santosh Gujrathi	2610	IND
10	IM	Wang Chen	2513	CHN	1½	½ - ½	1½	GM	Jumabayev Rinat	2580	KAZ
11	GM	Sethuraman S.P.	2576	IND	1½	½ - ½	1½	GM	Vishnu Prasanna. V	2465	IND
12	FM	Pourramezanali Amirreza	2435	IRI	1	½ - ½	1	GM	Ni Hua	2654	CHN
13	GM	Negi Parimarjan	2640	IND	1	1 - 0	1	IM	Munkhgal Gombosuren	2424	MGL
14	GM	Gupta Abhijeet	2630	IND	1	1 - 0	1	IM	Abdyjapar Asyl	2406	KGZ
15	IM	Akshat Khamparia	2374	IND	1	0 - 1	1	GM	Wei Yi	2629	CHN
16		Xu Yinglun	2381	CHN	1	1 - 0	1	GM	Lalith Babu M.R.	2594	IND
17	IM	Omar Noaman	2361	UAE	1	1 - 0	1	GM	Vaibhav Suri	2530	IND
18		Fang Yan	2323	CHN	1	1 - 0	1	GM	Gundavaa Bayarsaikhan	2507	MGL
19		Chu Wei Chao	2315	CHN	1	1 - 0	1	IM	Wan Yunguo	2505	CHN
20	FM	Igonin Temur	2194	UZB	1	0 - 1	1	GM	Al-Sayed Mohammed	2502	QAT
21		Mamyrbay Assad	2017	KAZ	1	½ - ½	1	GM	Dao Thien Hai	2490	VIE
22		Salim Ali Ahmed Aliyan Almashikh	0	OMA	1	0 - 1	1	GM	Shyam Sundar M.	2481	IND
23	IM	Vakhidov Jahongir	2472	UZB	1	1 - 0	1	FM	Najjar Ahmad	2261	LIB
24	GM	Kunte Abhijit	2470	IND	1	1 - 0	1	FM	Chahrour Ibrahim	2079	LIB
25	GM	Gao Rui	2484	CHN	½	1 - 0	½	IM	Nezad Husein Aziz	2366	QAT
26		Wang Yiye	2415	CHN	½	½ - ½	0	GM	Darini Pouria	2471	IRI
27	IM	Khader Sami	2356	JOR	0	½ - ½	0		Al-Takrori Husam	2097	PLE
28		Al-Hajiri Bader	2095	KUW	0	1 - 0	0	FM	Al-Hadarani Hatim	2249	YEM
29		Raes Abdul Kader	2248	SYR	0	1 - 0	0		Shehab Ibrahim	2082	KUW
30		Mohd A. Altaher	2061	UAE	0	- - +	0	FM	Ayyad Maher	2161	BRN
31		Al Mutairi Hassan S	2106	KSA	0	½ - ½	0		Abdulkarim Ali	1927	UAE
32		Khayat Abdullah F	1716	KSA	0	0 - 1	0		Muniz Pardino Alberto	2105	HKG

13th Asian Continental Women Chess Championships 2014

Round 3 on 2014/04/19 at 11:00

Bo.		Name	IRtg	FED	Pts	Res.	Pts		Name	IRtg	FED
1	WIM	Abdumalik Zhansaya	2379	KAZ	2	½ - ½	2	WGM	Khademalsharieh Sarasada	2292	IRI
2	IM	Munguntuul Batkhuyag	2432	MGL	1½	½ - ½	1½	WGM	Hoang Thi Bao Tram	2280	VIE
3	WGM	Nguyen Thi Thanh An	2237	VIE	1½	1 - 0	1½	IM	Tania Sachdev	2427	IND
4	WGM	Sukandar Irine Kharisma	2319	INA	1½	1 - 0	1½	WGM	Gomes Mary Ann	2386	IND
5	WGM	Pourkashiyani Atousa	2335	IRI	1½	1 - 0	1½	WGM	Swathi Ghate	2269	IND
6	WIM	Gong Qianyun	2327	SIN	1½	1 - 0	1½	WIM	Hoang Thi Nhu Y	2207	VIE
7	WFM	Tohirjonova Hulkar	2126	UZB	1½	0 - 1	1½	WIM	Ni Shiqun	2325	CHN
8	WIM	Xu Huahua	2110	CHN	1	0 - 1	1	WGM	Tan Zhongyi	2488	CHN
9	WIM	Fuad Kamel Jamaliah Natalie	2015	JOR	1	0 - 1	1	WGM	Soumya Swaminathan	2336	IND
10	WFM	Anu Bayar	2002	MGL	1	0 - 1	1	WIM	Nguyen Thi Mai Hung	2312	VIE
11	IM	Karavade Eesha	2414	IND	½	1 - 0	1		Shyngys Kyzy Aijarkyn	1768	KGZ
12	WIM	Gu Tianlu	2162	CHN	½	0 - 1	½	IM	Pham Le Thao Nguyen	2332	VIE
13	WIM	Dahdal Lougain	2003	JOR	½	0 - 1	½	WFM	Derakhshani Dorsa	2154	IRI
14	WFM	Khan Nazrana	2027	BAN	0	1 - 0	½	WFM	Assaubayeva Bibissara	1891	KAZ
15	WIM	Saleh Nora Mohd	1901	UAE	0	1 - 0	0		Faqeeh Aseel	0	PLE
16		Njoud S	0	KSA	0	0 - 1	0		Al Najjar Huda	1845	SYR

Salim Ali Ahmed: I feel that I am not much worse than these strong Grandmasters..

First of all, welcome to the world of chess. We know that this year Oman chess federation has joined FIDE. Let us congratulate you with this occasion. Let me ask you, are you personally and your chess fellows as well happy with this fact?

Yes, we are very happy that we joined the World Chess Federation. Me personally and my chess friends believe that from now on we will receive more support from the Omani government.

Is chess developed in Oman nowadays? Are there a lot of people who play chess in your country?

There are many players, but unfortunately, there are no chess clubs in our country. We are playing in the coffee shops. But we all do hope that from this moment on, our government has in mind to develop chess in our country, starting with establishing the new chess clubs.

Apart from adults who like to play chess in coffee shops, are Omani children interested in this game as well? Have you heard about such FIDE program "Chess in schols"? Do you think it is necessary to have chess as a subject?

We already have chess as a subject in our schools. The French International Master Kerim Ismail is supporting chess among children very much. We are all very grateful to him for that.

How did you come to chess? When did you start playing chess? Do you train chess alone or you have some professional help?

A friend of mine who has been the National Champion for four times, taught me how to play chess at one point. We started to play together here and there. My father also knows how to play chess. As for a coach, no, I am training chess myself. I really do hope that soon we will have professional coaches. I am very thankful to Sheikh Sultan bin Khalifa Al Nahayan, who allow us to have some training camps in Al Ain Chess Club. I wish that our government will provide our players with its full support, so that myself and other players from Oman would continue our chess career as professional players.

This is your first international official tournament in your career? How do you like playing at it, among such chess giants like former World Chess Champion Rustam Kasimdzhanov and others?

I am very happy that as a start I participate in such a strong tournament together with strong chess players from Asian continent. I could not have imagined that I would meet at the board for instance Bu Xianzhi from China a top seed of the tournament, a very strong Grandmaster. It was a good game. I made some blunders and I lost the game.



I would repeat again that I do hope that we will have good coaches in our country and I will be more confident when playing against top chess players.

We wish you this, and so far, tell us, how do you estimate your chances at this championship?

You know, having played three rounds already, I believe that I am not much worse than these strong Grandmasters.

I can get good place at the tournament. I believe in this. I finished my first round with a victory against the UAE chess player Mohammed Al Taher. Then I lost two games in a row. But I still feel that I am good enough to compete with my competitors here. I can tell you that for instance I had 70% advantage of today's game, for instance. But suddenly, I made a blunder and unfortunately lost.

I am sure you are aware of the World Chess Olympiad that will take place in Norway this Autumn. We know that Oman is intending to participate in the Olympiad. Are you happy with this fact? Will you represent your federation at this event?

Yes, we know about the Chess Olympiad. I hope that our federation will send its teams to participate there.

Recently, former World Chess Champion Garry Kasparov was invited to Oman. He was surprised, that Oman has no chess federation, while having such good level of chess players. He also said that he will support the participation of Oman in the coming Olympiad.

We wish you good luck in this tournament as well as in your future chess career.

Thank you so much for this interview. Let me also thank the Organization Committee of the Asian Continental Championship for hosting such an important event here. Everything is on a high level and I am happy that I am here.