



# 16<sup>th</sup> Dubai Open Chess Championship

Bulletin 2

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*Sheikh Rashid Bin Hamdan Al Maktoum Cup*



*GM Abhijeet Gupta of India ponders his move with the black pieces against IM Nezad Husein Aziz of Qatar as giant killer Jobannie Tabada of the Philippines looks on while Appeals Committee member IA Abdulla Khaled Al Naami takes a photo.*

Upsets rocked the second round of the \$50,000 Dubai Open Chess Championship yesterday at the Dubai Chess Club in Dubai, UAE as former champion Abhijeet Gupta and four other Indian players maintained their share of the lead after two rounds of the tournament.

Young Indian players remained tied with the leaders at 2 points each. GM Debashis Das, 21, GM Shyan Sundar, 22, GM Grover Sahaj, 19, IM Ghosh Diptayan and 15-year-old Karthik V. Ap kept pace with the lead pack. The teenager, who is accompanied by his mother, upset Grandmaster Athanasios Mastrovasilis, 2535, of Greece. In a Closed Ruy Lopez game, Karthik, rated 2250, had two pawns up in the minor piece ending to win on move 58.

Gupta needed only 31 moves of a Gruenfeld defense to outplay International Master Nezad Husein Aziz of Qatar.

Grover also made short work of Gustav Halvarsson of Sweden in 34 moves of a Scotch Four Knights Game. Diptayan used the Slav Defense to threaten mate after 35 moves.

Untitled Filipino Jobannie Tabada, president of the Dubai-based Filipino Chess Players League, upset the French Defense of GM Petr Kostenko (2506) of Kazakhstan in a marathon 75 moves to tie for the lead at 2 points. The Filipino was about to promote his pawn when the Kazak resigned on move 75.

It was a day for upsets as FIDE Master Hatim Hadarani (2249) of Yemen used the Gruenfeld Defense to shock GM Goran Dizdar (2513) of Croatia in 38. Grandmasters with perfect scores after two rounds are Zaven Andriasian of Armenia, Stevic Hrvoje, Jankovic Alojzige and Ante Brkic of Croatia, Amin Bassem of Egypt, Edouard Romain

and Andrei Istratescu of France, Csaba Balogh of Hungary, Ehsan Ghaem Maghami of Iran, Rinat Jumabayev, Pavel Kotsur and Anuar Esmagambetov of Kazakhstan, Axel Bachmann of Paraguay, Constantin Lupulescu of Romania, Anton Korobov of Ukraine, and Eduardo Iturrizaga of Venezuela and FM Amin Tabatabaei of Iran.

The event will be played as a 9-round Swiss system competition. Games are scheduled 5:30 pm daily except on the rest day, Friday, when there will be a blitz tournament. The strong field includes 38 Grandmasters and 8 Woman Grandmasters, 16 International Masters, 3 Woman International Masters, 10 FIDE Masters and 5 Woman FIDE Masters. Top boards are broadcast live at the [Dubai Chess Club web site](http://Dubai Chess Club web site) with photo gallery and games download. See results and standings in [chess-results.com](http://chess-results.com).

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Round 2 on 2014/04/08 at 17:30

Bo.		Name	Rtg	FED	Pts	Res.	Pts		Name	Rtg	FED
1	GM	Korobov Anton	2698	UKR	1	1 - 0	1	IM	Vakhidov Jahongir	2472	UZB
2	IM	Kjartansson Gudmundur	2440	ISL	1	½ - ½	1	GM	Akopian Vladimir	2674	ARM
3	GM	Edouard Romain	2670	FRA	1	1 - 0	1	IM	Ashwin Jayaram	2454	IND
4	FM	Pourramezanali Amirreza	2435	IRI	1	0 - 1	1	GM	Istratescu Andrei	2667	FRA
5	GM	Lupulescu Constantin	2660	ROU	1	1 - 0	1	IM	Swapnil S. Dhopade	2438	IND
6	GM	Balogh Csaba	2656	HUN	1	1 - 0	1	IM	Das Sayantan	2371	IND
7	GM	Amin Bassem	2637	EGY	1	1 - 0	1	IM	Ekdysman Mikhail	2365	RUS
8	IM	Kanter Eduard	2406	RUS	1	0 - 1	1	GM	Iturrizaga Bonelli Eduardo	2635	VEN
9	GM	Solak Dragan	2635	TUR	1	½ - ½	1	IM	Ahmadinia Ebrahim	2353	IRI
10	IM	Nezad Husein Aziz	2366	QAT	1	0 - 1	1	GM	Gupta Abhijeet	2630	IND
11	GM	Mchedlishvili Mikheil	2628	GEO	1	½ - ½	1	WGM	Saduakassova Dinara	2342	KAZ
12	GM	Rakhmanov Aleksandr	2610	RUS	1	1 - 0	1	IM	Isaev Jamshed	2331	TJK
13		Krishna C.R.G.	2343	IND	1	0 - 1	1	GM	Stevic Hrvoje	2607	CRO
14	GM	Andriasian Zaven	2603	ARM	1	1 - 0	1	FM	Mohannad Farhan	2313	JOR
15	CM	Prince Bajaj	2319	IND	1	½ - ½	1	GM	Iordachescu Viorel	2601	MDA
16	WGM	Schneider Veronika	2307	HUN	1	0 - 1	1	GM	Bachmann Axel	2598	PAR
17	FM	Tabatabaei M.Amin	2298	IRI	1	1 - 0	1	GM	Bogner Sebastian	2587	SUI
18	GM	Jumabayev Rinat	2580	KAZ	1	1 - 0	1		Abhishek Kelkar	2300	IND
19	WGM	Khademalsharieh Sarasadat	2292	IRI	1	0 - 1	1	GM	Brkic Ante	2568	CRO
20	GM	Kotsur Pavel	2557	KAZ	1	1 - 0	1	FM	Gulamali Kazim	2293	USA
21		Lokander Martin	2280	SWE	1	0 - 1	1	GM	Ghaem Maghami Ehsan	2556	IRI
22	GM	Jankovic Alojzije	2554	CRO	1	1 - 0	1		Deshpande Aniruddha	2287	IND
23		Karthik V. Ap	2250	IND	1	1 - 0	1	GM	Mastrovasilis Athanasios	2535	GRE
24	GM	Dizdar Goran	2513	CRO	1	0 - 1	1	FM	Al-Hadarani Hatim	2249	YEM
25		Raes Abdul Kader	2248	SYR	1	½ - ½	1	GM	Rahman Ziaur	2513	BAN
26	GM	Cicak Slavko	2507	SWE	1	½ - ½	1	IM	Gameel Mohamed	2216	YEM
27		Tabada Jobannie C.	2210	PHI	1	1 - 0	1	GM	Kostenko Petr	2506	KAZ
28	GM	Debashis Das	2504	IND	1	1 - 0	1		Turar	1997	KAZ
29	WGM	Mona Khaled	2140	EGY	1	0 - 1	1	GM	Ismagambetov Anuar	2493	KAZ
30	GM	Carlsson Pontus	2486	SWE	1	1 - 0	1	FM	Mayed Al-Rashedi	1838	UAE
31	WFM	Boshra Alshaeby	1925	JOR	1	0 - 1	1	IM	Ghosh Diptayan	2485	IND
32		Nandu Gagarin	1499	IND	1	0 - 1	1	GM	Shyam Sundar M.	2481	IND
33	GM	Grover Sahaj	2475	IND	1	1 - 0	1		Halvarsson Gustav	1714	SWE
34	GM	Jones Gawain C B	2650	ENG	½	½ - ½	½		Siva Mahadevan	2105	IND
35	WGM	Kryvoruchko Vita	2229	UKR	½	0 - 1	½	GM	Kuzubov Yuriy	2639	UKR
36	GM	Volkov Sergey	2600	RUS	½	1 - 0	½	WFM	Khalafova Narmin	2160	AZE
37	GM	Lalith Babu M.R.	2594	IND	½	1 - 0	½		Guliyev Gasan Alipasha	1974	AZE
38	GM	Stojanovic Mihajlo	2568	SRB	½	1 - 0	½	WGM	Partac Elena	2101	MDA
39	IM	Melia Salome	2459	GEO	½	1 - 0	½	WFM	Assaubayeva Bibissara	1891	KAZ
40		Basil Alshouha	2160	JOR	½	½ - ½	½	IM	Georgiadis Nico	2421	SUI
41		Ravi Teja S.	2354	IND	½	1 - 0	½		Altaher Salman Tarek	1477	UAE
42		Rodrigues Inacio	2019	IND	0	0 - 1	0	GM	Petrosian Tigran L.	2627	ARM
43	IM	Demuth Adrien	2482	FRA	0	1 - 0	0		Rice Chris B	2014	ENG
44		Hamad Abdul Razaq	2007	UAE	0	- - +	0	WIM	Raghavi N.	2231	IND
45		Afshar Niusha	1993	IRI	0	½ - ½	0	WIM	Ivana Maria Furtado	2204	IND
46	WGM	Makropoulou Marina	2201	GRE	0	1 - 0	0		Elgantiry Ahmed	1991	EGY
47		Mahmoud Haitham	1979	SUD	0	0 - 1	0	FM	Igonin Temur	2194	UZB
48		Momeni E.	2194	IRI	0	1 - 0	0	FM	Elmejbri Ali A.	1962	LBA
49	CM	Derakhshani Borna	1964	IRI	0	½ - ½	0	FM	Al Badani Abdu	2175	YEM
50		Tuomainen Felix	1940	SWE	0	0 - 1	0	WFM	Derakhshani Dorsa	2154	IRI
51		Al-Aqrabi Saleh	2154	YEM	0	0 - 1	0	CM	Meier Kurt	1936	SEY
52	WFM	Alattar Ghayda M.	1917	JOR	0	0 - 1	0		Fries Frederik	2154	GER
53		Osman Abdelgadir	2153	SUD	0	1 - 0	0		Latib Tameez	1907	RSA
54		Rafee Mohd Hayel	1907	SYR	0	½ - ½	0		Pratyusha Bodda	2149	IND
55		Bit-Narva David	1882	SWE	0	0 - 1	0	CM	Nadir Samir	2133	SUD
56		Nishant Malhotra	2118	IND	0	1 - 0	0		Akshay V Halagannavar	1878	IND
57		Elnaami Hashem A.K.	1840	LBA	0	0 - 1	0		Nimmy A.G.	2116	IND

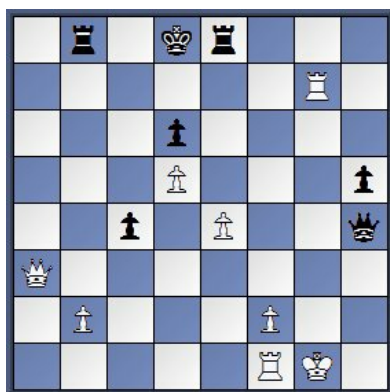
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59	Moayed Obied	2102	JOR	0	½ - ½	0		Adarsh Saji	1777	IND
60	Ahmed Al Khatib	2101	JOR	0	0 - 1	0		Ahmed Fareed	1767	UAE
61	Faranka Khaled	1828	LBA	0	0 - 1	0		Al-Subaihi Khalil	2099	YEM
62	Asmar Elie	2062	LIB	0	0 - 1	0		Ali Abdulaziz	1728	UAE
63	Boshara Mohammed Ahmed	1800	SUD	0	- - +	0	CM	Alattar Rakan	2059	JOR
64	Abo-Hazeem Mohammed	2058	JOR	0	1 - 0	0		Sasikumar Anusweud	1715	IND
65	Holi Sief Al Din	1776	SUD	0	0 - 1	0		Jacobson Erik	2056	SWE
66	WIM Blanco Acevedo Maria Carolina	2051	VEN	0	1 - 0	0		Al Zarooni Ahmed	1713	UAE
67	Hamed Mohamed	1759	SUD	0	1 - 0	0		Bennett John M	2043	ENG
68	CM Ahmed Holi Ali Moawia	2039	SUD	0	1 - 0	0		Al Hamed Saif Idrees	1589	UAE
69	Montaser Kamil	1719	SUD	0	0 - 1	0		Al Yaghshi M. Hisham	2037	SYR
70	Sultan Ibrahim	2037	UAE	0	1 - 0	0		Al- Meghbali Ahmed	1438	UAE
71	Abdulla Al-Hamed	1688	UAE	0	0 - 1	0	FM	Harshal Shahi	2020	IND
	Harikrishnan Samyuktha	1439	IND	0	1 - -			Bye	0	

**Selected Games**

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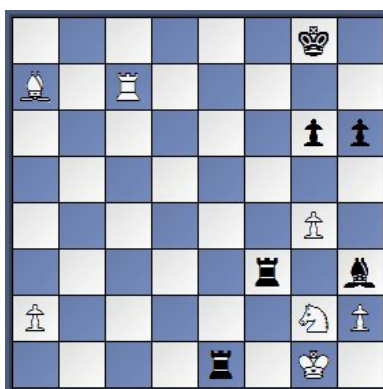
**W: GM Korobov, Anton (UKR) 2698**  
**B: IM Vakhidov, Jahongir (UZB) 2472**

1. d4 g6 2. c4 Bg7 3. Nf3 Nf6 4. g3 c5 5. d5 d6 6. Nc3 O-O 7. Bg2 e6 8. O-O exd5 9. cxd5 Re8 10. Nd2 a6 11. a4 Nbd7 12. h3 Rb8 13. Nc4 Ne5 14. Na3 Nh5 15. e4 Bd7 16. a5 b5 17. axb6 Bb5 18. Ncxb5 axb5 19. g4 b4 20. gxh5 bxa3 21. Rxa3 Qxb6 22. h4 c4 23. hxg6 fxe6 24. Rg3 h5 25. Bh3 Qd8 26. Bg5 Bf6 27. Bf5 Bxg5 28. Rxe5 Kf8 29. Bxg6 Nxe6 30. Rxe6 Qxh4 31. Qf3+ Ke7 32. Rg7+ Kd8 33. Qa3 1-0



**W: GM Dizdar, Goran (CRO) 2513**  
**B: Al-Hadarani, Hatim (YEM) 2249**

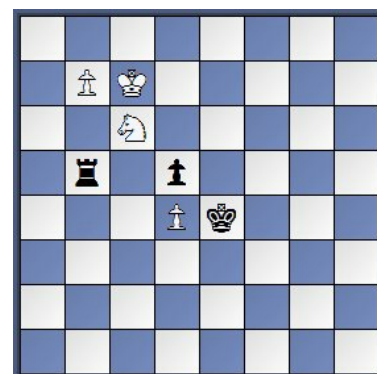
1. Nf3 Nf6 2. c4 g6 3. g3 Bg7 4. Bg2 O-O 5. O-O d5 6. d4 c6 7. b3 dxc4 8. bxc4 Qa5 9. Nbd2 Rd8 10. e3 Nbd7 11. c5 Nd5 12. Bb2 b5 13. Qb3 Qc7 14. Ng5 h6 15. Nxf7 Kxf7 16. e4 e6 17. exd5 exd5 18. Bxd5+ cxd5 19. Qxd5+ Kf8 20. c6 b4 21. cxd7 Bxd7 22. Rac1 Qb6 23. Nc4 Qc6 24. Qa5 Bh3 25. d5 Qxd5 26. Qxb4+ Kg8 27. Ne3 Qf7 28. Bxg7 Bxf1 29. Ba1 Bh3 30. Qh4 Rd2 31. g4 Qf3 32. Bc3 Re2 33. Qg3 Rf8 34. Bd4 Rxf2 35. Qxf3 R2xf3 36. Bxa7 Ra8 37. Rc7 Re8 38. Ng2 Re1+ 0-1



**W: Tabada, Jobannie (PHI) 2210**  
**B: GM Kostenko, Petr (KAZ) 2506**

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. Nc3 Nf6 4. e5 Nfd7 5. f4 c5 6. Nf3 Nc6 7. Be3 Be7 8. Qd2 O-O 9. Be2 b6 10. O-O f6 11. exf6 Nxf6 12. Kh1 Bb7 13. Rad1 Bd6 14. Ne5 Nxd4 15. Bxd4 cxd4 16. Qxd4 Qe7 17. Qe3 Rac8 18. Bd3 g6 19. Nb5 Bc5 20. Nd4 Bxd4 21. Qxd4 Qc5 22. c3 Qxd4 23. cxd4 Rc7 24. Kg1 Ne4 25. Rc1 Rfc8 26. Rxc7 Rxc7 27. Re1 Rc8 28. Nf3 h6 29. g3 Kg7 30. Kf1 Kf6 31. Ke2 Nd6 32. Ne5 Nf5 33. Bxf5 Kxf5 34. Kd2 Rc7 35.

h3 Ba6 36. g4+ Kxf4 37. Nxe6+ Kg3 38. Re3+ Kh2 39. Ne5 Bf1 40. h4 Bh3 41. Nf3+ Kg2 42. Ne1+ Kh2 43. Rxe6 Bxg4 44. Rxh6 Re7 45. Nc2 Re2+ 46. Kc3 Bf5 47. Nb4 Be4 48. Rd6 Re3+ 49. Kd2 Rh3 50. Nc6 a5 51. Ne5 b5 52. Ra6 b4 53. Rxa5 Kg3 54. Ke3 Kg2+ 55. Ke2 Kg3 56. Ke3 Kg2+ 57. Kf4 Rxh4+ 58. Kg5 Rh1 59. Nc6 b3 60. axb3 Rb1 61. Kf4 Rxb2 62. b4 Kf2 63. Ra3 Rc2 64. b5 Rb2 65. Na7 Ke2 66. Ke5 Rb4 67. Ra5 Rb1 68. Kd6 Ke3 69. Nc6 Bd3 70. Kc5 Ke4 71. b6 Rc1+ 72. Kd6 Rb1 73. Kc7 Bb5 74. Rxb5 Rxb5 75. b7 1-0





*Chief Arbiter IA/IO Mahdi Abdulrahim (UAE)*



*Deputy Chief Arbiter IA Naji Mohamed Al Radhi (UAE)*



*Top seed GM Anton Korobov (UKR) 2698*



*3rd seed Edouard Romain (FRA) 2670*



*6th seed Balogh Csaba (HUN) 2656*



*9th seed GM Amin Bassem (EGY)*



*11th seed Solak Dragan (TUR) 2635*



*124th seed Latib Tameez (RSA) 1907*