



16th Dubai Open Chess Championship

Bulletin 3

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Sheikh Rashid Bin Hamdan Al Maktoum Cup



GM Edouard Romain of France (left) beat GM Pavel Kotsur of Kazakhstan to share the lead with five others after 3 rounds.

Former Dubai Open champion GM Abhijeet Gupta of India and five other Grandmasters share the lead with perfect scores after three rounds of the 16th Dubai Open Chess Championship at the Dubai Chess Club in Dubai, UAE. Gupta crushed the Nimzo Indian defense of compatriot GM Grover Sahaj in 58 moves to register 3 points in a tie for the lead with GMs Edouard Romain of France, Alex Bachmann of Paraguay, Eduardo Iturrizaga of Venezuela and Anuar Ismagambetov of Kazakhstan, and FM Hatim Al-Hadarani of Yemen. Romain used the Queen's Gambit Accepted to turn back GM Pavel Kotsur of Kazakhstan in 46 moves. Ismagambetov beat GM Baseem Amin of Egypt in 42 moves of a Ruy Lopez game. Iturrizaga smashed the King's Indian Defense of GM Pontus Carlsson of

Sweden in 35 moves. Bachmann needed only 29 moves of a Catalan opening to beat untitled 15-year-old V. Karthik of India. FIDE Master Hatim Al-Hadarani of Yemen continued his giant killing ways. Al-Hadarani used the Colle System to penetrate with his major artillery and threaten mate against GM Rinat Jumabayev of Kazakhstan in 32 moves. Al-Hadarani had beaten GM Goran Dizdar of Croatia in the previous round. Eighteen players follow with 2-1/2 points each in the race for \$50,000 in cash prizes. A total of 143 players from 39 countries are competing in the 9-round Swiss system tournament. 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.

The tournament is scheduled until 16th April at the Dubai Culture and Chess Club. Top boards are broadcast live at the [Dubai Chess Club web site](#) with photo gallery, games download and links to video coverage on Youtube for rounds [one](#), [two](#) and [three](#). See results and standings in [chess-results.com](#).

The clash of leaders in the next round pits GM Edouard Romain against GM Axel Bachmann, GM Ismagambetov vs. GM Iturrizaga and FM Al-Hadarani against GM Gupta.

Cash prizes shall be awarded the top 16 places with a top prize of \$10,000 for the champion. Special prizes shall be awarded to Arab players and ladies, local players and club players, and for the blitz tournament.

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Round 3 on 2014/04/09 at 17:30

Bo.		Name	Rtg	FED	Pts	Res.	Pts		Name	Rtg	FED
1	GM	Brkic Ante	2568	CRO	2	½ - ½	2	GM	Korobov Anton	2698	UKR
2	GM	Kotsur Pavel	2557	KAZ	2	0 - 1	2	GM	Edouard Romain	2670	FRA
3	GM	Istratescu Andrei	2667	FRA	2	½ - ½	2	GM	Jankovic Alojzije	2554	CRO
4	GM	Ghaem Maghami Ehsan	2556	IRI	2	½ - ½	2	GM	Lupulescu Constantin	2660	ROU
5	GM	Debashis Das	2504	IND	2	½ - ½	2	GM	Balogh Csaba	2656	HUN
6	GM	Ismagambetov Anuar	2493	KAZ	2	1 - 0	2	GM	Amin Bassem	2637	EGY
7	GM	Iturrizaga Bonelli Eduardo	2635	VEN	2	1 - 0	2	GM	Carlsson Pontus	2486	SWE
8	GM	Gupta Abhijeet	2630	IND	2	1 - 0	2	GM	Grover Sahaj	2475	IND
9	IM	Ghosh Diptayan	2485	IND	2	½ - ½	2	GM	Rakhmanov Aleksandr	2610	RUS
10	GM	Stevic Hrvoje	2607	CRO	2	½ - ½	2	FM	Tabatabaei M.Amin	2298	IRI
11	GM	Shyam Sundar M.	2481	IND	2	½ - ½	2	GM	Andriasian Zaven	2603	ARM
12	GM	Bachmann Axel	2598	PAR	2	1 - 0	2		Karthik V. Ap	2250	IND
13	FM	Al-Hadarani Hatim	2249	YEM	2	1 - 0	2	GM	Jumabayev Rinat	2580	KAZ
14	GM	Akopian Vladimir	2674	ARM	1½	1 - 0	2		Tabada Jobannie C.	2210	PHI
15	GM	Kuzubov Yuriy	2639	UKR	1½	½ - ½	1½	GM	Cicak Slavko	2507	SWE
16	IM	Melia Salome	2459	GEO	1½	½ - ½	1½	GM	Solak Dragan	2635	TUR
17	IM	Kjartansson Gudmundur	2440	ISL	1½	½ - ½	1½	GM	Mchedlishvili Mikheil	2628	GEO
18	GM	Iordachescu Viorel	2601	MDA	1½	1 - 0	1½		Ravi Teja S.	2354	IND
19	IM	Ahmadinia Ebrahim	2353	IRI	1½	½ - ½	1½	GM	Volkov Sergey	2600	RUS
20	WGM	Saduakassova Dinara	2342	KAZ	1½	0 - 1	1½	GM	Lalith Babu M.R.	2594	IND
21	IM	Gameel Mohamed	2216	YEM	1½	½ - ½	1½	GM	Stojanovic Mihajlo	2568	SRB
22	GM	Rahman Ziaur	2513	BAN	1½	1 - 0	1½	CM	Prince Bajaj	2319	IND
23	GM	Petrosian Tigran L.	2627	ARM	1	1 - 0	1½		Raes Abdul Kader	2248	SYR
24	WFM	Derakhshani Dorsa	2154	IRI	1	0 - 1	1	GM	Jones Gawain C B	2650	ENG
25	GM	Bogner Sebastian	2587	SUI	1	1 - 0	1		Basil Alshouha	2160	JOR
26	GM	Mastrovasilis Athanasios	2535	GRE	1	1 - 0	1		Fries Frederik	2154	GER
27	CM	Nadir Samir	2133	SUD	1	0 - 1	1	GM	Dizdar Goran	2513	CRO
28	GM	Kostenko Petr	2506	KAZ	1	1 - 0	1		Osman Abdelgadir	2153	SUD
29		Nimmy A.G.	2116	IND	1	0 - 1	1	IM	Demuth Adrien	2482	FRA
30	IM	Vakhidov Jahongir	2472	UZB	1	1 - 0	1	WGM	Mona Khaled	2140	EGY
31	IM	Ashwin Jayaram	2454	IND	1	1 - 0	1		Nishant Malhotra	2118	IND
32	IM	Swapnil S. Dhopade	2438	IND	1	1 - 0	1		Marcos Marvin	2111	PHI
33		Siva Mahadevan	2105	IND	1	0 - 1	1	FM	Pourramezanali Amirreza	2435	IRI
34	IM	Georgiadis Nico	2421	SUI	1	1 - 0	1		Al-Subaihi Khalil	2099	YEM
35		Jacobson Erik	2056	SWE	1	0 - 1	1	IM	Kanter Eduard	2406	RUS
36	IM	Das Sayantan	2371	IND	1	1 - 0	1	CM	Alattar Rakan	2059	JOR
37		Al Yaghshi M. Hisham	2037	SYR	1	0 - 1	1	IM	Nezad Husein Aziz	2366	QAT
38	IM	Ekdysman Mikhail	2365	RUS	1	1 - 0	1		Abo-Hazeem Mohammed	2058	JOR
39	FM	Harshal Shahi	2020	IND	1	1 - 0	1		Krishna C.R.G.	2343	IND
40	IM	Isaev Jamshed	2331	TJK	1	1 - 0	1	WIM	Blanco Acevedo Maria Carolina	2051	VEN
41	FM	Mohannad Farhan	2313	JOR	1	1 - 0	1	CM	Ahmed Holli Ali Moawia	2039	SUD
42		Turar	1997	KAZ	1	0 - 1	1	WGM	Schneider Veronika	2307	HUN
43		Abhishek Kelkar	2300	IND	1	½ - ½	1		Sultan Ibrahim	2037	UAE
44	FM	Gulamali Kazim	2293	USA	1	1 - 0	1	WFM	Boshra Alshaeby	1925	JOR
45	CM	Meier Kurt	1936	SEY	1	0 - 1	1	WGM	Khademalsharieh Sarasadat	2292	IRI
46		Deshpande Aniruddha	2287	IND	1	1 - 0	1		Hamed Mohamed	1759	SUD
47	FM	Mayed Al-Rashedi	1838	UAE	1	1 - 0	1		Lokander Martin	2280	SWE
48		Ahmed Fareed	1767	UAE	1	½ - ½	1	WIM	Raghavi N.	2231	IND
49		Ali Abdulaziz	1728	UAE	1	0 - 1	1	WGM	Makropoulou Marina	2201	GRE
50	FM	Igonin Temur	2194	UZB	1	1 - 0	1		Nandu Gagarin	1499	IND
51		Harikrishnan Samyuktha	1439	IND	1	½ - ½	1		Momeni E.	2194	IRI
52		Halvarsson Gustav	1714	SWE	1	0 - 1	½	WGM	Kryvoruchko Vita	2229	UKR
53	WIM	Ivana Maria Furtado	2204	IND	½	1 - 0	½		Guliyev Gasan Alipasha	1974	AZE
54	FM	Al Badani Abdu	2175	YEM	½	1 - 0	½		Afshar Niusha	1993	IRI
55	WFM	Khalafova Narmin	2160	AZE	½	½ - ½	½	CM	Derakhshani Borna	1964	IRI
56		Pratyusha Bodda	2149	IND	½	½ - ½	½	WFM	Assaubayeva Bibissara	1891	KAZ
57		Altaher Salman Tarek	1477	UAE	½	0 - 1	½		Moayed Obied	2102	JOR

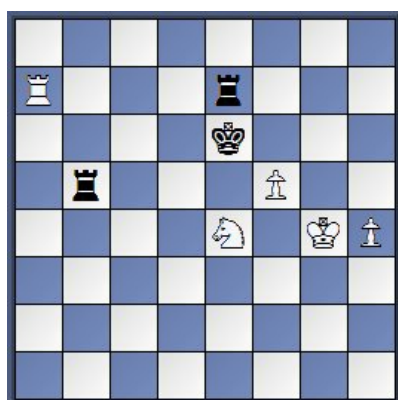
58	WGM	Partac Elena	2101	MDA	½	1 - 0	½		Rafee Mohd Hayel	1907	SYR
59		Adarsh Saji	1777	IND	½	½ - ½	0		Al-Aqrabi Saleh	2154	YEM
60		Akshay V Halagannavar	1878	IND	0	1 - 0	0		Ahmed Al Khatib	2101	JOR
61		Gahfer Khaled	1801	LBA	0	0 - 1	0		Asmar Elie	2062	LIB
62		Bennett John M	2043	ENG	0	1 - 0	0		Bit-Narva David	1882	SWE
63		Boshara Mohammed Ahmed	1800	SUD	0	1 - 0	0		Rodrigues Inacio	2019	IND
64		Rice Chris B	2014	ENG	0	0 - 1	0		Elnaami Hashem A.K.	1840	LBA
65		Hamad Abdul Razzaq	2007	UAE	0	0 - 1	0		Faranka Khaled	1828	LBA
66		Elgantiry Ahmed	1991	EGY	0	1 - 0	0		Holi Sief Al Din	1776	SUD
67		Sasikumar Anusweud	1715	IND	0	0 - 1	0		Mahmoud Haitham	1979	SUD
68	FM	Elmejbri Ali A.	1962	LBA	0	1 - 0	0		Montaser Kamil	1719	SUD
69		Al Zarooni Ahmed	1713	UAE	0	0 - 1	0		Tuomainen Felix	1940	SWE
70		Al Hamed Saif Idrees	1589	UAE	0	1 - 0	0	WFM	Alattar Ghayda M.	1917	JOR
71		Latib Tameez	1907	RSA	0	½ - ½	0		Abdulla Al-Hamed	1688	UAE
		Al- Meghbal Ahmed	1438	UAE	0	1 - -			Bye	0	

Selected Games

W: Gupta, Abhijeet (IND) 2630

B: Grover, Sahaj (IND) 2475

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. Nf3 b6 4. Nc3 Bb4 5. Qc2 Bb7 6. a3 Bxc3+ 7. Qxc3 d6 8. g3 Nbd7 9. Bg2 c5 10. O-O Rc8 11. b3 cxd4 12. Qxd4 Nc5 13. Qe3 Ng4 14. Qf4 Qf6 15. Qxg4 Qxa1 16. Nd4 Bxg2 17. Kxg2 Qb1 18. Qxg7 Qg6 19. Nxe6 Qxg7 20. Nxc7+ Kd7 21. Rd1 Nxb3 22. Bf4 Rxc4 23. Rxd6+ Kc8 24. Nf5 Ra4 25. h4 h5 26. Rf6 Kd7 27. Rd6+ Kc8 28. Rf6 Kd7 29. Be5 Rh7 30. Rd6+ Kc8 31. Ne7+ Kb7 32. Rd7+ Ka6 33. Nc8 Nc5 34. Rxa7+ Kb5 35. Rc7 Rxa3 36. Nd6+ Ka6 37. Rc6 Ra2 38. Bd4 Rc2 39. e4 Ka7 40. e5 Rd2 41. Rc7+ Kb8 42. Rc8+ Ka7 43. Bxc5 bxc5 44. Rxc5 Kb6 45. Rc3 Rd5 46. Rf3 Kc6 47. Nxf7 Rg7 48. e6 Rg8 49. Re3 Re8 50. f4 Rf5 51. Ng5 Kd6 52. Kf3 Ke7 53. Ra3 Kf6 54. g4 hxg4+ 55. Kxg4 Rb5 56. Ra7 Re7 57. Ne4+ Kxe6 58. f5+ 1-0



W: Kotsur, Pavel (KAZ) 2557

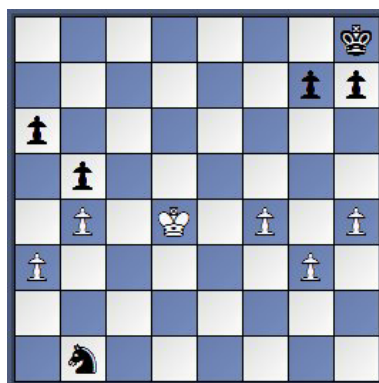
B: Edouard, Romain (FRA) 2670

1. Nf3 d5 2. d4 Nf6 3. c4 e6 4. Nc3 c5 5. e3 a6 6. a3 dxc4 7. Bxc4 b5 8. Ba2 Bb7 9. O-O Be7 10. dxc5 Bxc5 11. Qe2 Nbd7 12. e4 Qb8 13. Bg5 O-O 14. Rad1 Rc8 15. Bh4 Nf8 16. Bg3 Qa7 17. Bd6 Ng6 18. Bb1 Bxd6 19. Rxd6 Qc5 20. Rfd1 Nd5 21. Nxd5 Bxd5 22. Rd7 Qc6 23. R7xd5 exd5 24. exd5 Qd6 25. g3



Indian GMs Abhijeet Gupta (right) vs. GM Sahaj Grover. GMs Gupta, Romain, Iturrizaga, Axel Bachmann and FM Hatim Al-Hadarani lead with 3 points each.

Rc5 26. Ng5 Rxd5 27. Rxd5 Qxd5 28. h4 Rd8 29. Bc2 Qc4 30. Qf3 Qxc2 31. Qxf7+ Kh8 32. Qe6 Rf8 33. Nf7+ Rxf7 34. Qxf7 Qc1+ 35. Kh2 Qc8 36. f4 Qf8 37. Qd5 Qf6 38. b4 Ne7 39. Qd7 Ng8 40. Kh3 Qa1 41. Qd3 Qh1+ 42. Kg4 Nf6+ 43. Kf5 Qd5+ 44. Qxd5 Nxd5 45. Ke4 Nc3+ 46. Kd4 Nb1 0-1

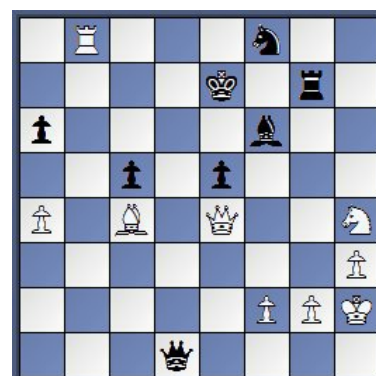


W: Ismagambetov, Anuar (KAZ) 2493

B: Amin, Bassem (EGY) 2637

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. Bb5 a6 4. Ba4 Nf6 5. O-O Be7 6. Re1 b5 7. Bb3 d6 8.

c3 O-O 9. h3 Nb8 10. d4 Nbd7 11. Nbd2 Bb7 12. Bc2 Re8 13. Nf1 Bf8 14. Ng3 g6 15. Bg5 h6 16. Bd2 Bg7 17. a4 c5 18. d5 c4 19. b4 cxb3 20. Bxb3 Nc5 21. c4 bxc4 22. Bxc4 h5 23. Qe2 Nh7 24. Reb1 h4 25. Nf1 f5 26. Be3 Bc8 27. Bxc5 dxc5 28. d6+ Kf8 29. Ne3 Ra7 30. Nd5 fxe4 31. Ne7 Qxd6 32. Nxc8 Rxc8 33. Qxe4 Bf6 34. Rd1 Qc6 35. Qxg6 Rg7 36. Qf5 Rcc7 37. Rab1 Rcd7 38. Rb8+ Ke7 39. Rxd7+ Qxd7 40. Qe4 Qd1+ 41. Kh2 Nf8 42. Nxe4 1-0

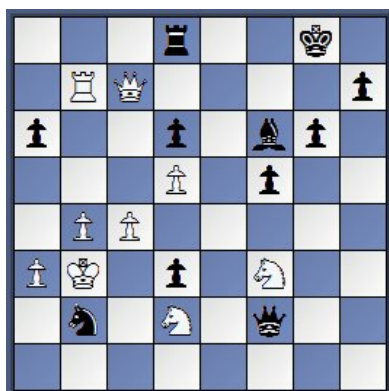


Parental support is necessary in the development of young chess players such as Tabatabaei M.Amin of Iran at right and 10-year-old WFM Assaubayeva Bibissara of Kazakhstan below

Here are two more games of the leaders.

W: Al-Hadarani, Hatim (YEM) 2249
B: Jumabayev, Rinat (KAZ) 2580

1. d4 Nf6 2. Nf3 g6 3. e3 Bg7 4. Bd3 O-O 5. O-O c5 6. Nbd2 cxd4 7. exd4 Nc6 8. Re1 d6 9. a3 Re8 10. b4 Nh5 11. Bb2 a6 12. c4 Nf4 13. Bf1 Bg4 14. Qb3 e5 15. d5 Nd4 16. Bxd4 exd4 17. Rxe8+ Qxe8 18. Re1 Qd7 19. h3 Bf5 20. g4 Bd3 21. Bxd3 Nxh3+ 22. Kf1 Qxg4 23. Re4 Nf4 24. Ke1 f5 25. Re7 Bf6 26. Rxb7 Qg2 27. Kd1 Qxf2 28. Qa4 Rd8 29. Qc6 Nxd3 30. Qc7 Nb2+ 31. Kc2 d3+ 32. Kb3 1-0



W: Bachmann, Axel (PAR) 2598
B: Karthik, V. Ap (IND) 2250

1. d4 Nf6 2. Nf3 e6 3. g3 d5 4. Bg2 Be7 5. O-O O-O 6. c4 dxc4 7. Qc2 a6 8. a4 Bd7 9. Qxc4 Be6 10. Bf4 a5 11. Nc3 Na6 12. Rfd1 Nb4 13. Ne5 Bxg2 14. Kxg2 c6 15. e4 Qb6 16. Qe2 Qa6 17. Nc4 Rac8 18. Rd2 Rfd8 19. Rad1 Ne8 20. h4 Nd6 21. b3 h6 22. Bxd6 Bxd6 23. d5 exd5 24. exd5 Bf8 25. d6 b5 26. d7 Rc7 27. Ne5 bxa4 28. Qh5 g6 29. Qf3 1-0

