

Vedant Pimpalkhare wins the 16th MJ's Trophy Rapid Chess Championship!

It was reversal of places between Vedant and Nikhil – it was Nikhil who was the winner in the last edition of MJ's Trophy Every Sunday Rapid Chess Championship and Vedant was 5th, while today it was Vedant who won the 1st prize while Nikhil had to be content with 5th spot!

Aniruddha Deshpande who was the top seeded was 2nd – half a point behind Vedant.

The two Under 10/12 age category players, Vallabh Kavi and Kashish Jain performed very well and finished on 6th and 7th positions – quite a remarkable achievement from both of them!

The tournament was held in 7 round swiss league format and the chief arbiter was International Arbiter Rajendra Shidore, assisted by FIDE Arbiter Amit Sohany.

Marathe Jewellers are the sponsors for this 3rd series of 52 “Every Sunday Rapid Chess Championships” which began on 22nd November 2015.

Top five prizes are as follows

1. Vedant Pimpalkhare – 6.5 points
2. Aniruddha Deshpande – 6 points
3. Vaibhav Barhate – 5.5 points / 20.5 Buch
4. Jitendra Patil – 5.5 points / 19.5 Buch
5. Nikhil Dixit – 5 points

Special Age group category prizes:

Under 8 Age group:

Gold Medal – Jyotiraditya Deshpande

Under 10 Age group:

Gold Medal – Vallabh Kavi

Silver Medal – Om Sarode

Bronze Medal – Shardul Godbole

Under 12 Age group:

Gold Medal – Kashish Jain

Silver Medal – Rahul Moghe

Bronze Medal – Shravani Halkude

Under 14 Age group

Gold Medal – Aarushi Prasad

Silver Medal – Chaitanya Joglekar

Bronze Medal – Nirav Killedar

Under 16 Age group

Gold Medal – Heramb Bhagwat

Silver Medal – Adway Sane

Bronze Medal – Maitreya Chitnis

Best Woman category – Shravani Sarode

Best Veteran category – Raghubar Tyagi

Few important results of last round

1. Aniruddha Deshpande (6) drew with Vaibhav Barhate (5.5)
2. Raghubar Tyagi (4.5) lost to Vedant Pimpalkhare (6.5)
3. Kashish Jain (5) lost to Jitendra Patil (5.5)
4. Mayur Moghe (4) lost to Nikhil Dixit (5)
5. Vallabh Kavi (5) won against Swapnil Pandhare (4)
6. Aakash Kulkarni (4.5) won against Krunal Tekam (4)
7. Rahul Moghe (4.5) won against Girish Joshi (3.5)

8. Rahul Jadhav (4.5) won against Milind Naik (3.5)
9. Shravani Sarode (4) won against Chinmay Patil (3)
10. Snehal Mahajan (4) won against Aarushi Prasad (3)

Description of photos



Vedant receiving the prize and trophy from International Master Abhishek Kelkar, who graced the function as Chief Guest.



Group photo of all prize winners with Chief Guest International Master Abhishek Kelkar.



Vedant with the championship trophy

Prize distribution was done at the hands of International Master Abhishek Kelkar.

The 17th MJ's Trophy Every Sunday Championship will be held on 21st August – after a gap of 2 weeks at the Mangalwadi Commercial Complex at 9am sharp.