

Nikhil Dixit wins the 27th MJ's Trophy – leads the race for “Best Performer”!

It was the 3rd time that Nikhil won the MJ's Trophy Every Sunday Rapid Chess Championship and is now leading the table for the coveted prize of “Best Performer of the series”.

Today, Nikhil defeated top seeded Chinmay in the 6th round and that was the deciding point of the tournament. Former winner Shantanu Bhambure was in an unrecognizable form today and couldn't find the place even in top 5.

The tournament was held in 7 round swiss league format and the chief arbiter was International Arbiter Rajendra Shidore, assisted by Senior National 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. Nikhil Dixit – 6.5 points
2. Chinmay Kulkarni – 6 points
3. Srinath Rao – 5.5 points
4. Keval Nirgun – 5 points / 21.5 Buch
5. JayKumar Desai – 5 points / 20 Buch

Special Age group category prizes:

Under 10 Age group:

Gold Medal – Amogh Kunte

Silver Medal – Akshat Tyagi

Under 12 Age group:

Gold Medal – Rahul Moghe

Silver Medal – Yash Bodas

Bronze Medal – Prathamesh Kashid

Under 14 Age group

Gold Medal – Digambar Jail

Under 16 Age group

Gold Medal – Vishwajit Mohite

Silver Medal – Nihal Bhatia

Bronze Medal – Atharva Shendkar

Best Woman category – Ayushi Mittal

Best Veteran category – Prakash Karmarkar

Few important results of last round

1. Keval Nirgun (5) lost to Nikhil Dixit (6.5)
2. Chinmay Kulkarni (6) won against Digambar Jail (5)
3. Srinath Rao (5.5) won against Himanshu Chhabra (4)
4. JayKumar Desai (5) won against Vedant Ahirrao (4)
5. Krunal Tekam (4) lost to Gaurav Das (5)
6. Shantanu Bhambure (4.5) won against Amogh Kunte (3.5)
7. Prakash Karmarkar (4) drew with Saurav Sahu (4)
8. Mayur Moghe (4) won against Anant Kumar (3)
9. Nagnath Halkude (4) won against Nihal Bhatia (3)
10. Sudhir Vanarase (4) won against Pawan Kulkarni (3)

Description of photos:



Group photo of all prize winners International Arbitration Rajendra Shidore



Last round game between Nikhil and Keval Nirgun.



Nikhil with the trophy!

Prize distribution was done at the hands of International Arbiter Rajendra Shidore.

The 28th MJ's Trophy Every Sunday Championship will be held on 22nd January – next Sunday at the Mangalwadi Commercial Complex at 9am sharp.