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EUROPEAN YOUTH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2012 IN PRAGUE



On Thursday 16th August, European Youth Chess Championship 2012 officially started with the opening ceremony, in Prague, capital of the Czech Republic. The first round of the championship began on Friday 17th with the record of 1173 players from 46 countries (104 titled players including 13 IM, 1 WGM and 4 WIM)!

Most players came from Russia (186 players) and the Czech Republic (154 players). The tournament takes place at TOP HOTEL Prague (<http://en.tophotel.cz/>) and is under the auspices of the mayor of Prague Mr. Bohuslav Svoboda.



The event is played in 12 categories, boys and girls under 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18 years old.

The organizers prepared on-line transmissions of 100 games! You can find all the information (pairings, results, archive with all the games of each round, pictures, etc.) at the official website of the event at <http://www.eycc2012.eu/>



IM EVGENY MOCHALOV WON THE 12TH EUROPEAN SENIOR RAPID CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2012



IM Evgeny Mochalov (BLR) won the 12th European Senior Rapid Chess Championship. GM Viktor Kupreichik (BLR) finished second, while GM Evgeny Sveshnikov (LAT) won third place. Their final score is 7 points out of maximum 9.

The best ranked female player is WIM Tatyana Fomina (EST) -14th place with 5.5 points.

The Championship was held on August 16-17, 2012 in Kaunas, Lithuania. It was played in 9 rounds according to the Swiss System. The time control was 25 minutes for the game for each player + additional 10 seconds for each move.

Final Ranking after 9 rounds - first 15 positions

Rk.	Title	Name	Rtg	FED	Pts.	TB1	TB2	TB3
1	IM	Mochalov Evgeny V.	2394	BLR	7	2521	46	53
2	GM	Kupreichik Viktor D.	2434	BLR	7	2521	46	53
3	GM	Sveshnikov Evgeny	2532	LAT	7	2442	46	53
4	IM	Mishuchkov Nikolai M.	2406	RUS	6.5	2448	45	52
5	GM	Balashov Yuri S	2424	RUS	6.5	2435	46	53
6	FM	Levchenkov Vitaly	2278	LAT	6.5	2383	38	45
7	IM	Maryasin Boris	2324	ISR	6.5	2371	42	49
8	IM	Karasev Vladimir I.	2380	RUS	6.5	2296	37	43
9		Malisov Boris	2298	ISR	6	2436	45	52
10	IM	Nevednichy Boris M,	2228	MDA	6	2399	41	48
11		Kuyindzhi Alexander A	2430	RUS	6	2329	42	48
12	GM	Pushkov Nikolay	2373	RUS	6	2321	40	47
13		Daudzvardis Janis	2147	LAT	5.5	2414	42	49
14	WIM	Fomina Tatyana	2195	EST	5.5	2359	44	51
15	IM	Kaunas Kestutis	2255	LTU	5.5	2266	41	48

Seventy-two chess players from thirteen countries took part in the competition. Chief Arbiter of the tournament, organized by the European Chess Union and the Kaunas Chess Federation, was IA Luc Cornet. It is part of the 12th European Senior Chess Championship 2012, which started on 18th of August and will finish on 26th of August at the same venue.



Ranking after Round 4 – first 3 positions – Open section

Rk.	Title	Name	Rtg	FED	Pts.	TB1	TB2	TB3
1	GM	Balashov Yuri S	2450	RUS	4	3033	7	10
2	GM	Butnorius Algimantas	2388	LTU	3.5	2548	6	9.5
3	GM	Kupreichik Viktor D	2434	BLR	3.5	2545	5.5	8.5

Ranking after Round 4 – first 3 positions – Women section

Rk.	Title	Name	Rtg	FED	Pts.	TB1	TB2	TB3
1	WIM	Fomina Tatyana	2189	EST	3.5	2357	6.5	9.5
2	WGM	Strutinskaya Galina N.	2302	RUS	3	2412	5.5	8.5
3	GM	Gaprindashvili Nona	2356	GEO	3	2278	6	9

Official website: www.escc2012.eu

DMITRY ANDREIKIN AND NATALIJA POGONINA ARE THE NEW RUSSIAN CHESS CHAMPIONS



Dmitry Andreikin and Natalija Pogonina are the new Russian chess champions.

In the men's section six players finished with the final result of 5 points out of possible 9 – Sergey Karjakin, Peter Svidler, Dmitry Andreikin, Dmitry Jakovenko, Evgeny Alekseev and Vladimir Potkin.

GM Andreikin won the rapid tie-break with 4 points, GM Sergey Karjakin took second place – 3.5 points, whereas Peter Svidler was third with 3 points.

Final Ranking after tie-break-MEN-first 5 positions

Rk.	Name	Rtg	Pts	SB
1	Dmitry Andreikin	2715	4	8.5
2	Sergey Karjakin	2785	3.5	6.75
3	Peter Svidler	2749	3	5.5
4	Dmitry Jakovenko	2722	2.5	3.75
5	Vladimir Potkin	2651	1.5	3.75



In the women's section the winner – Natalija Pogonina was convincingly first with the final result of 6.5 points out of maximum 9. Valentina Gunina with 5.5 points finished in the second place and Nadezhda Kosintseva was third with the same score.

Final Ranking-WOMEN-first 5 positions

Rk.	Name	Rtg	Pts	SB
1	Natalija Pogonina	2448	6.5	27.5
2	Valentina Gunina	2507	5.5	23.25
3	Nadezhda Kosintseva	2524	5.5	21.5
4	Alisa Galliamova	2465	5	19.75
5	Tatiana Kosintseva	2530	5	18.25

The Russian Championship Superfinal was held on August 03-12, 2012 in Moscow. The system and rate of play of the tournament was: 10-player round robin; 90 minutes for 40 moves + 30 minutes for the rest of the game + 30 seconds increment per move, starting from move one.

Official website: www.russiachess.org



IM FILIP PANCEVSKI WON THE OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP OF FYR OF MACEDONIA 2012



IM Filip Pancevski won the Open Championship of FYR of Macedonia 2012 with the final result of 7.5 points out of possible 9. FM Riste Menkinoski was on a half point distance from the winner and finished in the second place. IM Orce Dancevski came third with the score of 6.5 points.

The Open Championship of FYR of Macedonia was held from 04-12 August, 2012 at Drim hotel, Struga. Chief Arbiter was FA Ivan Kocovski.

Final Ranking after 9 rounds - first 10 positions

Rk.	Title	Name	Rtg	FED	Pts.	TB1	TB2	TB3
1	IM	Pancevski Filip	2461	MKD	7.5	46	50	6
2	FM	Menkinoski Riste	2352	MKD	7	45	48	6
3	IM	Dancevski Orce	2388	MKD	6.5	47	51	5
4		Lazov Toni	1838	MKD	6	41	44	5
5	FM	Ilic Zoran	2264	MKD	5.5	47	51	3
6	GM	Bogdanovski Vlatko	2448	MKD	5.5	46	49	4
7	FM	Popovic Aleksandar M	2284	SRB	5.5	43	47	3
8	FM	Kacakovski Dimitar	2149	MKD	5.5	41	44	4
9		Petrov Georgi	2206	SRB	5.5	40	43	3
10	FM	Petkovski Vlatko	2153	MKD	5	45	48	5

Thirty-seven chess players from FYR of Macedonia, Serbia and Albania took part in the tournament.

Official website: www.chess.com.mk



GM LUIS GALEGO WON THE NATIONAL INDIVIDUAL CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP OF PORTUGAL



GM Luis Galego won the National Individual Chess Championship of Portugal with the final result of 7 points. The silver medal went to GM Antonio Fernandes, who finished with 6.5 points, while the bronze medal was awarded to IM Sergio Rocha with 6 points.

The Championship was held 04-12 August, 2012 at Villa Pampilhosa Hotel - Pampilhosa da Serra. Chief Arbiter was Luis Maninha.

Final Ranking after 9 rounds

Rk.	Title	Name	Rtg	Pts.	TB1	TB2	TB3	TB4
1	GM	Galego Luis Miguel Araujo Bri	2495	7	0	4	26.3	6
2	GM	Fernandes Antonio Manuel De A	2395	6.5	0	3.5	25.5	5
3	IM	Rocha Sérgio Manuel Colaço	2404	6	0	4	23.5	4
4	IM	Damaso Rui	2365	5.5	0	3	20.5	3
5	FM	Ulyanovskyy Viktor	2290	5	1	2	16.3	4
6	NM	Carneiro Carlos Alberto C P	2262	5	0	2.5	18.5	4
7		Santos Hugo Miguel Oliveira L	2146	4.5	0	2	15.5	3
8		Guerreiro Nuno Ricardo De Jes	2068	3.5	0	1.5	10.3	3
9		Ulyanovskyy Volodimir V	2066	1.5	0	1	5.5	0
10	NM	Neves Pedro Alexandre Maia	2244	0.5	0	0	0.75	0

Official website: <http://fpx.weebly.com>



‘YOUTH OF MOSCOW’-1 WON THE RUSSIAN YOUTH TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP FOR BOYS AND GIRLS - U 18



‘Youth of Moscow’-1 won the Russian Youth Team Championship for boys and girls - U 18 with the final result of 24.5 points. The team of ‘Regional chess center A.E.Karpov’-1 was second with the same result. ‘R.G.Nezhmetdinov’ finished in the third place with 23.5 points.

The Russian Youth Team Championship - U 18 was held on August 01-10, 2012 in Ribinsk.

Thirty-eight teams took part in the competition. Each team consisted of 3 boys and 1 girl. The system of the tournament was: 9 rounds according to the Swiss system with time control of 90 minutes for the entire game+30 seconds increment per move, starting from move one.

The Rapid section of the championship was held on 11th of August, 2012 at the same venue. The winner was SDUSSHOR No54 with 26 points, 'Youth of Moscow'-1 finished second with 25.5, whereas SDUSSHOR No4 was third with 22.5 points. The Rapid championship was held in 9 rounds according to the Swiss system with time control 10 minutes for the entire game+5 seconds increment per move, starting from move one.

Official website: <http://rybinskchess.narod2.ru>



GM JAN MARKOS WON RIGA TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OPEN 2012



GM Jan Markos (SVK) won Riga Technical University Open 2012 with the final result of 7.5 points. GM Alexandr Fier (BRA) was second with 7 points. GM Daniel Fridman (GER) won the third place with the same score.

Riga Technical University Open was held from 06-12 August, 2012 in Riga.

Chief Arbiter of the tournament was IA Andra Cimina. One hundred and forty chess players competed for the title.

Final Ranking after 9 rounds - first 10 positions

Rk.	Title	Name	Rtg	FED	Pts.	TB1	TB2	TB3
1	GM	Markos Jan	2559	SVK	7.5	44	55	2749
2	GM	Fier Alexandr	2582	BRA	7	42	53	2650
3	GM	Fridman Daniel	2653	GER	7	41	54	2675
4	GM	Shankland Samuel L	2581	USA	7	41	54	2619
5	GM	Ehlvest Jaan	2601	USA	6.5	42	54	2636
6	GM	Kulaots Kaido	2558	EST	6.5	42	53	2617
7	GM	David Alberto	2595	LUX	6.5	41	54	2612
8	GM	Romanov Evgeny	2595	RUS	6.5	41	53	2600
9	GM	Rausis Igor	2507	CZE	6.5	39	51	2530
10	GM	Agdestein Simen	2560	NOR	6.5	37	46	2490

Official website: www.sahafederacija.lv



OBITUARY - SVETOZAR GLIGORIC (1923 - 2012)



Chess Grandmaster Svetozar Gligoric passed away in Belgrade at the age of 90. The best Serbian chess player of all times had a brilliant career lasting for nearly 70 years, during which he won 13 Olympic medals and 10 medals at European championships.

Gligoric started playing chess at the age of 13 and owing to his great accomplishments achieved the status of one of the world top chess players of his time.

He was also well-known as a chess journalist who, among other things, cooperated with numerous international magazines. In addition, he acted as International Chess Arbiter, and his lasting and sincere friendship with Bobby Fischer will be specially remembered.

After the end of his chess career, Gligoric eagerly devoted himself to his great love – music. At the start of 2010, he released his first CD album called *How I survived the 20th century*, comprising of 12 songs of different kinds of music.

On behalf of the Ministry of Youth and Sport Serbian Minister Alisa Maric expressed “deepest condolences and sorrow on the death of the greatest Serbian chess player of all times and exceptionally noble and generous man, Grandmaster Svetozar Gligoric”.

Biography of Svetozar Gligoric: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Svetozar_Gligoric%C4%87

Website: www.europechess.net



OBITUARY - OLIVIER BREISACHER



ECU is deeply grieved to hear of the unexpected and untimely death of Olivier Breisacher, a familiar chess figure and successful organiser of chess events.

He was a valuable asset to the world of chess and we mourn this terrible loss.

ECU extends its deepest condolences to Mr. Breisacher's family.

Website: www.europechess.net

