Irish Junior Chess Championships 2013
Summary of results

u-8's Irish Championships
    1st: Daniel Dwyer .... Irish u-8's Champion
    2nd: Bryan Chan
    3rd: Dylan Foley
    Girls Prize: Emma-Louise Kenny

u-10's Irish Championships
    1st: Adam Murphy .... Irish u-10's Champion
    2nd: Eoghan Turner
    3rd: Stephen Higgins
    Girls Prize: Ciara Scallan

u-12's Irish Championships
    1st: Michael Higgins.. Irish u-12's Champion
    2nd: Ross Beatty
    3rd: Padraig Hughes
    Girls Prize: Deirdre Turner

u-14's Irish Championships
    1st: Conor O'Donnell.. Irish u-14's Champion
    2nd: Diana Mirza
    3rd: Jeffrey Alfred
    Girls Prize: Monica Espinosa-Cancino

u-16's Irish Championships
    1st: Cristina Espinosa-Cancino (non-Irish)
    2nd: Geoffrey Keating .... Irish u-16's Champion
    3rd: Robbie Meaney
    No Girls Prize awarded

u-19's Irish Championships
    1st: Hugh Doyle/Cork..Irish u-19's Champion
    2nd: Miguel Espinosa-Cancino
    3rd: John Cormican
    Girls Prize: Karina Kruk

Note on Girls prizes:
There is no Irish policy or guidelines on Girls prizes. Last years hosts, Kilkenny had none at all. This years organisers decided that the girls prize would be awarded to the highest scoring girl who did not come first, second or third - this is the most common method in use. **A girls prize does not confer Irish Girls champion status.**

The following report is by John Alfred......

Irish Junior Chess Championships, 2013

The 2013 Irish Junior Chess Championships were held on the weekend of 5-7 April, in the Oakwood Arms Hotel in Shannon, Co Clare. Age groups taking part included u8, u10, u12, u14, u16, and u19. 133 players entered.

Local Senator Tony Mulcahy opened the competition on the Friday evening.

Jonathan O'Connor of the Irish Chess Union presented the prizes on Sunday evening.

Oakwood Arms Hotel

Six titles to play for

The main playing room

u-8's Championship, 2013

Twenty four young players took part in a 6-round swiss tournament and it was all over in a few hours. Despite each player having 25 minutes on each clock, all rounds used only half the allocated time.

u-8's Gladiators wait for 'go'

u8's Results

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1st:    Daniel Dwyer.........Irish u8's Champion
2nd:    Bryan Chan
3rd:    Dylan Foley, on tie-break
Girls Prize: Emma-Louise Kenny
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Cross Table

No	Name	Total	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	Dwyer, Daniel	6	12:W	16:W	7:W	2:W	6:W	3:W
2	Chan, Bryan	5	11:W	3:W	4:W	1:L	5:W	6:W
3	Foley, Dylan	4	8:W	2:L	15:W	18:W	4:W	1:L
4	Furlong, Christopher	4	5:W	19:W	2:L	11:W	3:L	13:W
5	Tonita, Mark David	4	4:L	24:W	16:W	7:W	2:L	10:W
6	Ferguson, Daniel	4	9:W	23:W	18:W	14:W	1:L	2:L
7	Kirby, Con	4	20:W	13:W	1:L	5:L	11:W	14:W
8	Ramendik, Grigory	3.5	3:L	11:L	0:D	22:W	21:W	12:W
9	Whyte, Calum	3.5	6:L	21:D	24:W	12:W	10:L	19:W
10	Kenny, Emma-Louise	3.5	24:D	18:L	21:W	16:W	9:W	5:L
11	Hogarty, Grace	3	2:L	8:W	19:W	4:L	7:L	18:W
12	Ryan, Niall	3	1:L	20:W	13:W	9:L	19:W	8:L
13	Fennell, Pat	3	15:W	7:L	12:L	24:W	18:W	4:L
14	Comey, Darragh	3	16:L	17:W	23:W	6:L	15:W	7:L
15	Scallan, Cillian	3	13:L	22:W	3:L	17:W	14:L	21:W
16	Kecskemeti, Admira Aida	2.5	14:W	1:L	5:L	10:W	17:D	22:W
17	Foley, Daniel	2.5	19:L	14:L	0:W	15:L	16:D	23:W
18	O'Caoimh, Tadhg	2	22:W	10:W	6:L	3:L	13:L	11:L
19	MacNamee, Eamon	2	17:W	4:L	11:L	23:W	12:L	9:L
20	Danaher, Billy	2	7:L	12:L	22:D	21:L	23:D	24:W
21	Dawson, Anna	1.5	23:L	9:D	10:L	20:W	8:L	15:L
22	Doherty, Harry	1.5	18:L	15:L	20:D	8:L	24:W	16:L
23	Ni Chaoimh, Cadhia	1.5	21:W	6:L	14:L	19:L	20:D	17:L
24	Connolly, Amy	.5	10:D	5:L	9:L	13:L	22:L	20:L

Daniel Dwyer won all his six games and clinched the u-8's Champions Title.

Bryan Chan came 2nd, and Dylan Foley made third on tie-break.

Emma-Louise Kenny won the Girls prize.

Irish u-8's Prizewinners

u-10's Championship, 2013

Some of the u-10's players

Thirty players entered this competiton and it shows the wealth of talent for the future of Irish chess. Watching one game, a subtle queen sacrifice was offered for a checkmate. Then another surprise when it was declined !

u10's Results

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1st:    Adam Murphy.........Irish u10's Champion
2nd:    Eoghan Turner
3rd:    Stephen Higgins
Girls Prize: Ciara Scallan
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(Sasha Faleschini was discovered to be over-age, but is allowed to keep his trophy. See note at end of this report)

Cross Table

No	Name	Total	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	Murphy, Adam	5	9:W	2:D	7:W	4:W	11:D	8:W
2	Faleschini, Sasha-Ettore	5	16:W	1:D	10:W	5:W	8:W	3:D
3	Turner, Eoghan	4.5	10:D	12:W	5:D	13:W	9:W	2:D
4	Higgins, Stephen	4.5	19:W	20:W	8:D	1:L	14:W	11:W
5	Mulligan, Alex	4	29:W	14:W	3:D	2:L	6:D	18:W
6	Power, Joe	4	12:D	9:L	22:W	10:W	5:D	15:W
7	Scallan, Ciara	4	17:W	8:L	1:L	21:W	20:W	14:W
8	Melaugh, Gavin	3.5	26:W	7:W	4:D	11:W	2:L	1:L
9	Connolly, Sean	3.5	1:L	6:W	23:W	18:W	3:L	13:D
10	Hunter, Sean	3.5	3:D	27:W	2:L	6:L	25:W	19:W
11	Power, Thomas	3.5	23:W	22:W	15:W	8:L	1:D	4:L
12	Ferguson, Dayna	3.5	6:D	3:L	30:W	16:L	26:W	24:W
13	Copeland, Adam	3.5	14:L	29:W	21:W	3:L	17:W	9:D
14	Naughton, James	3	13:W	5:L	16:W	15:W	4:L	7:L
15	Cesar, Joshua	3	25:W	18:W	11:L	14:L	16:W	6:L
16	Lillis, Aaron	3	2:L	17:W	14:L	12:W	15:L	21:W
17	Murphy, Dylan	3	7:L	16:L	25:W	24:W	13:L	22:W
18	Dawson, Sam	3	21:W	15:L	20:W	9:L	22:W	5:L
19	McNelis, Peadar	2.5	4:L	24:W	28:W	0:D	0:L	10:L
20	Sheehan, Robert	2	28:W	4:L	18:L	27:W	7:L	0:L
21	Norris, Leo	2	18:L	25:+	13:L	7:L	27:W	16:L
22	Andres, Elijah	2	24:W	11:L	6:L	23:W	18:L	17:L
23	Meaney, Sam	2	11:L	26:W	9:L	22:L	24:L	0:W
24	Gray, Conor	2	22:L	19:L	27:W	17:L	23:W	12:L
25	McCoy, Adam	2	15:L	21:-	17:L	29:W	10:L	26:W
26	King, Abby	1.5	8:L	23:L	29:W	0:D	12:L	25:L
27	Ni Chaoimh, Seoda	1.5	0:D	10:L	24:L	20:L	21:L	29:W
28	Whyte, Calum	1.5	20:L	30:W	19:L	0:D	0:	0:
29	McNulty, Brian	1	5:L	13:L	26:L	25:L	0:W	27:L
30	Ni Chaoimh, Caehla	.5	0:D	28:	12:L	0:	0:	0:

u10's prizewinners

u-12's Championship, 2013

U12's playing area

Results u12's

Cross Table

No	Name	Total	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	Higgins, Michael	5.5	22:W	17:W	18:W	6:W	3:W	5:D
2	Beatty, Ross	5	30:W	13:W	7:W	0:D	4:D	6:W
3	Hughes, Padraig	4.5	8:W	9:W	4:D	7:W	1:L	13:W
4	Scallan, Fiachra	4.5	26:W	19:W	3:D	5:D	2:D	8:W
5	O'Reilly, Jim	4.5	12:W	10:D	9:W	4:D	13:W	1:D
6	O'Gorman, Tom	4	21:W	14:W	10:W	1:L	15:W	2:L
7	Halpenny, David	4	16:W	20:W	2:L	3:L	22:W	15:W
8	Wall, Cian	4	3:L	24:W	28:W	18:W	11:W	4:L
9	Melaugh, Shane	4	24:W	3:L	5:L	25:W	16:W	14:W
10	Turner, Deirdre	3.5	31:+	5:D	6:L	11:L	23:W	22:W
11	Koush, Nikita	3.5	14:L	12:D	27:W	10:W	8:L	18:W
12	Chan, Megan	3.5	5:L	11:D	20:W	17:L	28:W	19:W
13	Grennell, Tom	3	28:W	2:L	22:W	14:W	5:L	3:L
14	Kildea, Robbie	3	11:W	6:L	19:W	13:L	17:W	9:L
15	Murray, Ellen	3	18:L	21:W	16:W	23:W	6:L	7:L
16	Copeland, Dean	3	7:L	29:W	15:L	20:W	9:L	23:W
17	Freeman, Geordan	3	25:W	1:L	23:L	12:W	14:L	24:W
18	Redmond, Joshua	2.5	15:W	27:W	1:L	8:L	19:D	11:L
19	Mulqueen-Danaher, Jessica	2.5	23:W	4:L	14:L	21:W	18:D	12:L
20	Pradeep, Donal	2.5	29:W	7:L	12:L	16:L	26:W	21:D
21	Corrigan, Lucia	2.5	6:L	15:L	30:W	19:L	25:W	20:D
22	Fennell, Victoria	2	1:L	25:W	13:L	24:W	7:L	10:L
23	Pradeep, Darren	2	19:L	26:W	17:W	15:L	10:L	16:L
24	Forde, Evan	2	9:L	8:L	26:W	22:L	29:W	17:L
25	Pino, Leon	2	17:L	22:L	0:W	9:L	21:L	30:W
26	Boland, Max	2	4:L	23:L	24:L	0:W	20:L	27:W
27	Dawson, Elise	2	0:D	18:L	11:L	28:D	30:W	26:L
28	O'Malley, Jake	1.5	13:L	30:W	8:L	27:D	12:L	29:L
29	MacNamee, Roisin	1.5	20:L	16:L	0:D	30:L	24:L	28:W
30	Singpurwala, Ronan	1	2:L	28:L	21:L	29:W	27:L	25:L
31	Sheedy, Enda	.5	10:-	0:D	0:	0:	0:	0:

Two u12 Girls slog it out

U12's prizewinners

u-14's Championship, 2013

Twenty eight players entered the u14's and favourite to win was Connor O'Donnell.
He did not disappoint, finishing with a score of 6/6 !

u14's Results

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1st:    Conor O'Donnell.......Irish u14's Champion
2nd:    Diana Mirza
3rd:    Jeffrey Alfred
Girls Prize: Monica Espinosa-Cancino
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Cross Table

No	Name	Total	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	O'Donnell, Conor	6	12:W	6:W	3:W	2:W	4:W	10:W
2	Mirza, Diana	5	5:W	21:W	7:W	1:L	9:W	4:W
3	Alfred, Jeffrey	4.5	26:W	17:W	1:L	13:W	7:W	5:D
4	Espinosa-Cancino, Monica	4	28:W	11:W	14:W	10:W	1:L	2:L
5	Donovan, Jack	4	2:L	24:W	11:D	25:W	8:W	3:D
6	Keating, Thomas	4	22:W	1:L	12:W	8:D	15:W	7:D
7	McDonnell, Finn	3.5	24:W	8:W	2:L	14:W	3:L	6:D
8	Mulligan, Scott	3.5	25:W	7:L	9:W	6:D	5:L	13:W
9	Guinan, Cian	3.5	15:W	10:D	8:L	11:W	2:L	18:W
10	Manojliovic, Mihalo	3.5	13:W	9:D	21:W	4:L	17:W	1:L
11	Singpurwala, Kevin	3.5	27:W	4:L	5:D	9:L	23:W	17:W
12	Twomey, Oscar	3	1:L	26:W	6:L	18:D	14:W	15:D
13	Coman, Liam	3	10:L	16:W	18:W	3:L	22:W	8:L
14	Sheehy, Padraig	3	18:W	19:W	4:L	7:L	12:L	21:W
15	Hartery, William	3	9:L	27:W	17:D	23:W	6:L	12:D
16	O'Gorman, Alice	3	21:L	13:L	27:W	20:L	26:W	22:W
17	Cesar, Joseph	2.5	20:W	3:L	15:D	19:W	10:L	11:L
18	Meaney, Stephen	2.5	14:L	23:W	13:L	12:D	20:W	9:L
19	McEntegart, Joe	2.5	0:D	14:L	20:W	17:L	21:L	23:W
20	Gallagher, Brendan	2.5	17:L	25:D	19:L	16:W	18:L	27:W
21	Doran, Desmond	2	16:W	2:L	10:L	22:L	19:W	14:L
22	Hartery, John	2	6:L	28:+	23:L	21:W	13:L	16:L
23	O'Keeffe, Brian	1.5	0:D	18:L	22:W	15:L	11:L	19:L
24	Anderson, Tom	1.5	7:L	5:L	26:W	0:D	0:	0:
25	Freeman, Ruairi	1	8:L	20:D	0:D	5:L	27:-	0:L
26	MacNamee, Nora	1	3:L	12:L	24:L	27:W	16:L	0:L
27	Long, Andrew	1	11:L	15:L	16:L	26:L	25:+	20:L
28	Fagan, Sean	.5	4:L	22:-	0:D	0:	0:	0:

u14's prizewinners

u-16's and u-19's Championship, 2013

There were 9, u16 entries and 11, u19's players. The Controller decided to combine them into one group, as the u16's was at risk of not being able to draw the 6th round in the event of two players deciding not to play.

Chris Young and Karina Kruk draw in round 6

Results u16's

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1st:    Cristina Espinosa-Cancino
2nd:    Geoffrey Keating..........Irish u16's Champion
3rd:    Robbie Meaney
No Girls prize
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2nd and 3rd position were decided by Blitz Play-off

Results u19's

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1st:    Hugh Doyle...............Irish u19's Champion
2nd:    Miguel Espinosa-Cancino
3rd:    John Cormican
Girls Prize:  Karina Kruk
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Cross Table

No	Name	Age	Total	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	Doyle, Hugh	u19	5.5	12:W	13:W	9:W	10:W	2:D	3:W
2	Espinosa-Cancino, Miguel	u19	5	5:W	4:W	3:D	9:W	1:D	6:W
3	Cormican, John A.	u19	4	6:D	16:W	2:D	8:W	4:W	1:L
4	Danaher, James	u19	4	11:W	2:L	19:W	16:W	3:L	5:W
5	Chapman, Matthew	u19	3.5	2:L	11:D	14:W	12:W	10:W	4:L
6	Donnelly, Michael	u19	3.5	3:D	14:W	10:L	11:W	18:W	2:L
7	Dunne, John P.	u19	3.5	13:L	12:D	18:D	17:W	9:D	16:W
8	Espinosa-Cancino, Cristina	u16	3.5	19:W	9:L	17:W	3:L	16:W	10:D
9	Kruk, Karina	u19	3	20:+	8:W	1:L	2:L	7:D	13:D
10	Keating, Geoffrey	u16	3	17:D	15:W	6:W	1:L	5:L	8:D
11	Meaney, Robbie	u16	3	4:L	5:D	0:W	6:L	12:D	19:W
12	McBride, Sean	u16	3	1:L	7:D	15:W	5:L	11:D	17:W
13	Young, Christopher	u19	3	7:W	1:L	16:L	0:D	15:W	9:D
14	Meaney, Owen	u16	2.5	0:D	6:L	5:L	15:L	19:W	0:W
15	Weeks, Padraig	u16	2.5	0:D	10:L	12:L	14:W	13:L	18:W
16	McDonnell, Odhran	u16	2	18:W	3:L	13:W	4:L	8:L	7:L
17	Hanley, David	u16	2	10:D	18:D	8:L	7:L	0:W	12:L
18	Salsac, Eric	u19	2	16:L	17:D	7:D	19:W	6:L	15:L
19	Mulqueen-Danaher, Darragh	u16	1	8:L	0:W	4:L	18:L	14:L	11:L
20	Sheedy, Shane	u19	.5	9:-	0:D	0:	0:	0:	0:

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Several of the games went down to the last minute. In the 5th round game Doyle v Espinosa, the clock times were at c1 and c5 minute respectively. Espinosa offered a

draw and it was declined in an even material position. 30 seconds later Hugh was up a piece with little time left. He then offered a draw which was accepted !

The u16s was won by non-Irish player Cristina Espinosa. 2nd and 3rd places were decided by Blitz play-off with Geoffrey Keating taking the u16s title.

u16's prizewinners

u19's prizewinners – Hugh Doyle wins u19's

Note on u10's tournament:

After the tournament was over, the organizers became aware that Sasha Ettore-Faleschini had inadvertently played in the U-10s competition.

The organizers had accepted his entry with good faith, and his father presumed that Sasha's age was known to the organizers, given that he had been selected to play in an U-10s competition last year.

The perpetual shield will be forwarded on to the official winner.

End of report

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