

Limerick Chess Monthly, 23-Oct-2011

The first Limerick Monthly of the 2011-2012 season took part in the South Court Hotel on Sunday, 23-October-2011 from 2.30 to 5.30pm. The 10 year old 'Levels123' system was used as usual.



Playing room

32 players took part with 16 each in two sections...

- a. Senior Section which had Level-2 to Level-4 and Open players
- b. Junior section which had Level-0 and Level-1 players

Chess clocks were used on all games with a Blitz time of 10 minutes each. Six rounds were played with a break mid-way through.



Three Level-1 players

Only two Level-0 (under age 9) players turned up and they were put in with the Level-1's. However, any Level-1 player had to give them Q+B odds, but were guaranteed a draw or a win, and the same applied for the Level-0 players. Slightly irregular scoring, but it solved a problem !

Senior Section:

Even though mixing Levels may seem a little tough, it can produce surprising results, as a Level-3 player, Robbie Meaney came joint 1st in the Senior group this time. Adults are also encouraged to play from Level-2 upwards, but are seldom available.

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Results:

OPEN: Stephen Danaher

Level-4:

1st: Pdraig Weeks, on tie-break
2nd: Jeffrey Alfred, on tie-break
3rd: Jack Fitzgerald

Level-3:

1st: Robbie Meaney --> moves to Level-4
2nd: Ross O'Connor
3rd: Emmett Browne

Level-2:

1st: Nora MacNamee --> moves to Level-3
2nd: Brian O'Keefe, on tie-break
3rd: Darragh Lynch-Linehan, on tie-break
Girls-Prize: Hazel Meaney

Cross Table

No	Name	Level	Total	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	Danaher, Steve	OPEN	5	9:W	7:W	2:W	5:W	8:W	3:L
2	Meaney, Robbie	L3	5	16:W	3:W	1:L	4:W	7:W	8:W
3	Weeks, Pdraig	L4	4	11:W	2:L	6:W	7:L	5:W	1:W
4	Alfred, Jeffrey	L4	4	6:W	13:W	5:L	2:L	9:W	10:W
5	O'Connor, Ross	L3	4	14:W	8:W	4:W	1:L	3:L	15:W
6	MacNamee, Nora	L2	4	4:L	16:W	3:L	13:W	11:W	7:W
7	Fitzgerald, Jack	L4	3	10:W	1:L	9:W	3:W	2:L	6:L
8	Browne, Emmett	L3	3	12:W	5:L	13:W	10:W	1:L	2:L
9	O'Keefe, Brian	L2	3	1:L	11:W	7:L	14:W	4:L	16:W
10	Mulqueen-Danaher, Darragh	L3	3	7:L	14:W	15:W	8:L	12:W	4:L
11	Lynch-Linehan, Darragh	L2	3	3:L	9:L	16:W	15:W	6:L	14:W
12	Meaney, Hazel	L2	2.5	8:L	15:L	14:D	16:W	10:L	13:W
13	Mulqueen-Danaher, Jessica	L2	2	15:W	4:L	8:L	6:L	16:W	12:L
14	Keyes, Michael	L2	1.5	5:L	10:L	12:D	9:L	15:W	11:L
15	Coughlan, Keith	L2	1	13:L	12:W	10:L	11:L	14:L	5:L
16	Begley, Conor	L2	0	2:L	6:L	11:L	12:L	13:L	9:L



OPEN winner Steve Danaher, with Level-4 Winners



Level-3 Winners



Level-2 Winners

Junior Section:

The guideline for a Level-1 player is that they must have been playing actively for no more than 2 years, otherwise they must move up. This is only loosely applied and a certain amount of judgement is used depending on what age and how active they are.



Level-1 Winners

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Results:

Level-1:

- 1st: Jack Kelly --> Moves to Level-2
- 2nd: Cian McDonnell, on tie break
- 3rd: Roisin MacNamee, on tie-break
- Girls Prize: Brooke Flynn

Level-0:

- 1st: Tomas O'Neill, on tie-break
- 2nd: Odran Furlong, on tie-break



Level-0 and Level-1 players, with Olive Weeks in the background

Cross Table

No	Name	Level	Total	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	Kelly, Jack	L1	6	12:W	4:W	6:W	3:W	2:W	5:W
2	McDonnell, Cian	L1	4.5	7:D	10:W	9:W	6:W	1:L	4:W
3	MacNamee, Roisin	L1	4.5	16:W	9:W	4:W	1:L	5:D	7:W
4	O'Neill, Tomas	L0	4	5:W	1:D	3:D	8:W	7:D	2:D
5	Furlong, Odran	L0	4	4:L	12:W	13:D	11:W	3:W	1:D
6	Flynn, Brooke	L1	4	15:W	14:W	1:L	2:L	13:W	12:W
7	Conlan, Jordan	L1	3.5	2:D	8:D	14:W	13:W	4:D	3:L
8	Fitzsimons, Abby	L1	3.5	10:D	7:D	11:D	4:D	9:D	16:W
9	Burke, Aidan	L1	3.5	13:W	3:L	2:L	12:W	8:D	14:W
10	Murtagh, Jack	L1	3.5	8:D	2:L	12:L	16:W	11:W	15:W
11	Kelly, May	L1	3	14:L	15:W	8:D	5:D	10:L	13:W
12	Smyth, Bryan	L1	2.5	1:L	5:D	10:W	9:L	15:W	6:L
13	Lloyd, Jack	L1	2	9:L	16:W	5:W	7:L	6:L	11:L
14	Sheehan, Teresa	L1	2	11:W	6:L	7:L	15:L	16:W	9:L
15	Murtagh, Conor	L1	1.5	6:L	11:L	16:D	14:W	12:L	10:L
16	Clancy, Jake	L1	.5	3:L	13:L	15:D	10:L	14:L	8:L

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Level-0 players

Girls Prizes:

In order to encourage more Girls to play, a Girls or Ladies prize is available for each section. This is awarded to the highest scoring Girl who does not come 1st, 2nd, or 3rd.

It has motivational value as girls who are not likely to make the top 3 places, then start enquiring what their chances are of winning the Girls prize.



Padraig Weeks playing Stephen Danaher



Secondary School players: Darragh Lynch-Linehan and Michael Keyes

End of Report
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