

Leinster Chess Union's (LCU) Christmas Blitz 2024

The LCU's Annual Christmas Blitz took place recently in the Artane, Beaumont, Family Recreation Centre, the home of the Elm Mount Chess Club.

45 players took part in 6 all-play-all groups. The winner of Section A, and this year's LCU Blitz Champion, is David Fitzsimons from the Elm Mount Chess Club on an unbeaten score of 6.5/7 in Section A of the event.

Other section winners were:

Anastasiya Kelbas;

Joe Hackett (Celbridge);

Liam Belton:

William Porter;

Eric Yuze Lin (Elm Mount).

Prizes were also awarded for 2nd and 3rd place in each Section. The remaining prize winners, were Tom O' Gorman and Nguyen Hong Nhung (Section A), Finn Cummins & Alex Goss (Section B), Nicole White, Andhurthi Sreeyan and Bernard Boyle (Section C), Maxim Orlov and George White (Section D), Yusi Gomes, Joao Filipe and Ayran Prabhith (Section E) and Conor Strictland, Deelisha Shankar and Daniel Daly (Section F).

The crosstables for each Section are set out below and some photographs from the tournament are attached.

Leinster Chess Union Christmas Blitz 2024 Section A

Final Ranking

Rank		Name	Rtg	FED	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Pts	Placing
1	IM	Fitzsimons David	2351	IRL	*	1	½	1	1	1	1	1	6½	1
2	WFM	Nguyen Hong Nhung	2174	IRL	0	*	1	½	1	1	1	1	5½	Joint 2nd
3	IM	O' Gorman Tom	2388	IRL	½	0	*	1	1	1	1	1	5½	Joint 2nd
4		Liu Jason	2158	IRL	0	½	0	*	1	1	1	1	4½	
5		Mulay Pratik	2119	IRL	0	0	0	0	*	1	1	1	3	
6		Landmark Gabriel	1924	IRL	0	0	0	0	0	*	1	1	2	
7		Braine Harry	1968	IRL	0	0	0	0	0	0	*	1	1	
8		Quinn Ciaran	1991	IRL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	*	0	

**Leinster Chess Union Christmas Blitz 2024 Section B
Final Ranking**

Rank	Name	Rtg	FED	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Pts	Placing
1	Kelbas Anastasiya	1851	IRL	*	1	½	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8½	1st
2	Cummins Finn	1772	IRL	0	*	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	7	2nd
3	Goss Alex	1904	IRL	½	0	*	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	6½	3rd
4	O'Dwyer Feargal	1924	IRL	0	0	0	*	1	1	0	1	1	1	5	
5	Duan Yinan	1860	IRL	0	1	1	0	*	0	1	0	1	1	5	
6	Mulukutla Ayaansh	1872	IRL	0	0	0	0	1	*	1	0	1	1	4	
7	Novak Vjekoslav	1867	IRL	0	0	0	1	0	0	*	1	1	0	3	
8	Nguyen Trung Kien	1833	IRL	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	*	-	1	3	
9	Karacol Sitki Fatik	1800	IRL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-	*	1	1	
10	Taaffe Paul	1873	IRL	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	*	1	

Leinster Chess Union Christmas Blitz 2024 Section C

Final Ranking

Rank	Name	Rtg	FED	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Pts	Placing
1	Hackett Joe	1750	IRL	*	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	6	1st
2	White Nicole	1739	IRL	0	*	1	1	½	1	1	1	5½	2nd
3	Andhurthi Sreeyan	1780	IRL	0	0	*	1	1	0	1	1	4	Joint 3rd
4	Boyle Bernard	1803	IRL	1	0	0	*	0	1	1	1	4	Joint 3rd
5	Syms Thomas	1722	IRL	0	½	0	1	*	0	1	1	3½	
6	Creighton Terry	1878	IRL	0	0	1	0	1	*	0	1	3	
7	Shearan John	1702	IRL	0	0	0	0	0	1	*	1	2	
8	O' Reilly Gerry	1627	IRL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	*	0	

Leinster Chess Union Christmas Blitz 2024 Section D

Final Ranking

Rank	Name	Rtg	FED	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Pts	Placings
1	Belton Liam	1623	IRL	*	½	1	½	1	1	1	5	1st
2	Orlov Maxim	1650	IRL	½	*	0	1	1	1	1	4½	2nd
3	White George	1605	IRL	0	1	*	0	1	1	1	4	3rd
4	Liu Murray	1722	IRL	½	0	1	*	1	1	0	3½	
5	Boldijar Nicu	1624	IRL	0	0	0	0	*	1	1	2	
6	Scott Shea	1586	IRL	0	0	0	0	0	*	1	1	
7	Curran Cameron	1573	IRL	0	0	0	1	0	0	*	1	

Leinster Chess Union Christmas Blitz 2024 Section E

Final ranking

Rank	Name	Rtg	FED	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Pts	Placings
1	Porter William	1517	IRL	*	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7	1st
2	Gomes Yusi	1500	IRL	0	*	1	1	1	0	1	1	5	2nd
3	Filipe Joao	1400	IRL	0	0	*	1	1	1	0	1	4	Joint 3rd
4	Prabhith Ayran	1448	IRL	0	0	0	*	1	1	1	1	4	Joint 3rd
5	Gu Austin Haoen	1360	IRL	0	0	0	0	*	1	1	½	2½	
6	Pokorny Simon	1363	IRL	0	1	0	0	0	*	1	0	2	
7	Martin Seamus	1515	IRL	0	0	1	0	0	0	*	1	2	
8	Durnin Sean	1491	IRL	0	0	0	0	½	1	0	*	1½	

Leinster Chess Union Christmas Blitz 2024 Section F

Final ranking

Rank	Name	Rtg	FED	1	2	3	4	Pts	Placing
1	Lin Eric Yuze	1200	IRL	* *	1 1	1 0	1 1	5	1st
2	Strickland Conor	1000	IRL	0 0	* *	1 1	1 0	3	2nd
3	Shankar Deelisha	1217	IRL	0 1	0 0	* *	1 0	2	Joint 3rd
4	Daly Daniel	1342	IRL	0 0	0 1	0 1	* *	2	Joint 3rd