



42nd Annual
Queen of Hearts
 Chess Tournament Report
 February 8-9, 2014
 AUM Taylor Center * Montgomery, AL

The Queen of Hearts celebrated its' 42nd year of playing competitive chess. This Montgomery Chess Club event had 83 players. They represented eight (8) states.

The 2014 Queen of Hearts Open Champion is IM David Ross of Jackson, MS. David scored 4 points and clinched the first place honors on the tie-breaks. Chao Zhang, Scott Varagona and Joe Jurjevich scored 4 points and tied for first.

The Reserve Champion is Karuna Atmakuru of Cordova, TN. She scored 4.5 points.

We are grateful that Dr. Karen Stine (Dean, School of Sciences) and the AUM Division of Continuing Education sponsored the Queen of Hearts chess tournament again. Their continuous support for the Montgomery Chess Club is truly appreciated. Thanks!

The 2014 Queen of Hearts – Section Winners

Open:

- 1st: IM David Ross – Jackson, MS – 4 points,
- NM Chao Zhang – New Orleans, LA – 4 points,
- NM Scott Varagona – Calera, AL - 4 points,
- Expert Joe Jurjevich – Bay Minette, AL – 4 points.

Reserve (Rating: U1600):

- 1st: Karuna Atmakuru – Cordova, TN – 4.5 points.

Premier (Rating U1200; K-12):

- 1st: Om Badhe - Madison, AL – 4.5 points.

Novice (Not Rated; K-6):

- 1st: Benjamin Kennedy, Paine Intermediate - Trussville, AL – 4.5 points.

QUEEN OF HEARTS: OPEN

#	Name	ID	Rtng	Post	St	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Tot	Prize
1	David Sheldon Ross	12481144	2357	2361	MS	W17	W24	W3	D5	D2	4.0	QoH Open Champion
2	Chao Zhang	15152752	2275	2280	LA	W21	W10	W11	D7	D1	4.0	Co-Champ
3	Joseph Jurjevich	10767555	2152	2161	AL	W20	W25	L1	W9	W11	4.0	Co-Champ
4	Scott Varagona	12744446	2243	2244	AL	W23	L9	W22	W13	W5	4.0	Co-Champ
5	Todd D Andrews	12583055	2353	2348	TN	W16	W12	W6	D1	L4	3.5	

6	Brent H Inman	11337546	2110	2115	AL	W13	W27	L5	W10	D7	3.5	
7	Sanjay Ghatti	14114902	2131	2141	GA	H---	W18	W9	D2	D6	3.5	
8	Gerald A Larson	10422159	2173	2166	AL	W33	D22	H---	D16	W18	3.5	
9	Roger D Johnson	10388139	1915	1940	AL	W31	W4	L7	L3	W16	3.0	Class A
10	Kirk D Petty	10459681	1900	1911	AL	W19	L2	W20	L6	W23	3.0	Class A
11	Grant Oen	12926610	2089	2084	NJ	W26	W29	L2	W23	L3	3.0	
12	James Hargrove	12694454	1954	1959	LA	W15	L5	D21	X27	D14	3.0	Class A
13	Kenneth W Goodman	12435248	1762	1808	AL	L6	W34	W25	L4	W22	3.0	U1800
14	Gordon Randall	12862113	2047	2030	AL	L27	D28	W29	W17	D12	3.0	
15	Logan Wu	14635610	1651	1723	TN	L12	L21	W32	W24	W25	3.0	U1800/T
16	Patrick Walker	12223980	1832	1845	GA	L5	W30	W28	D8	L9	2.5	
17	Kevin Wang	14455644	1838	1842	AL	L1	W26	D27	L14	W28	2.5	
18	Jinseok Kim	13731304	1961	1956	GA	D28	L7	W33	W21	L8	2.5	
19	Douglas Strout	13592632	1631	1679	AL	L10	D33	W26	D22	D21	2.5	
20	Rhodes Peele	10206294	1768	1770	AL	L3	W32	L10	H---	W29	2.5	
21	Saithanusri Avirneni	14299428	1822	1820	GA	L2	W15	D12	L18	D19	2.0	
22	Arden Markin	14216687	1842	1834	AL	W34	D8	L4	D19	L13	2.0	
23	Arthur Guo	14772092	1790	1800	GA	L4	W31	W24	L11	L10	2.0	
24	Eli M Karp	13703405	1988	1964	LA	W30	L1	L23	L15	W31	2.0	
25	Clay Polk	13217558	1877	1854	MS	W32	L3	L13	W31	L15	2.0	
26	Steve Mengxi Chen	13737518	1726	1714	AL	L11	L17	L19	W34	W32	2.0	
27	Jeffrey Domezick	14777585	1729	1752	GA	W14	L6	D17	F12	U---	1.5	
28	Tanish Kothapalle	14804220	1696	1693	TN	D18	D14	L16	D29	L17	1.5	
29	Nathan Alex Hayes	13989452	1560	1555	GA	B---	L11	L14	D28	L20	1.5	

30	Gary Bagstad	10924031	1700	1702	CO	L24	L16	H---	W33	U---	1.5	
31	Sijing Wu	14879327	1642	1630	AL	L9	L23	W34	L25	L24	1.0	
32	Jerome Flowers	14454662	1624	1588	AL	L25	L20	L15	B---	L26	1.0	
33	Christopher Trees	14938771	1779	1752	AL	L8	D19	L18	L30	U---	0.5	
34	Muhammad Amin	13303960	1575	1541	FL	L22	L13	L31	L26	U---	0.0	

QUEEN OF HEARTS: RESERVE

#	Name	ID	Rtng	Post	St	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Tot	Prize
1	Karuna Atmakuru	14937186	1333	1483	TN	W14	W3	W5	W6	D2	4.5	Reserve Champ
2	David Xu Luo	14940812	1461	1483	AL	D18	W11	W12	W5	D1	4.0	2nd
3	Yusuf A Ziyad	12520635	1463	1483	AL	W10	L1	W18	W7	W6	4.0	2nd
4	Neil Dietsch	13601903	1320	1332	AL	L8	W19	H---	W13	W9	3.5	Class D
5	Tim G Owens	12656598	1557	1534	AL	W9	W7	L1	L2	W10	3.0	
6	Wendell Whitaker	13729200	1376	1378	AL	W19	W8	W13	L1	L3	3.0	
7	Rochelle Wu	14901590	1344	1347	AL	W20	L5	W15	L3	W13	3.0	
8	Mitchell Scott Anderson	15362308	unr.	1204	AL	W4	L6	D16	L10	W17	2.5	U1200
9	Bradley Gardner	15051421	1209	1206	AL	L5	H---	W11	W17	L4	2.5	
10	Raj Chirag Mehta	14980818	1170	1203	GA	L3	W20	H---	W8	L5	2.5	U1200/T
11	Leila Ann D'Aquin	14194534	1055	1093	LA	H---	L2	L9	W19	W15	2.5	U1200
12	Eswara Kothapalle	15330350	unr.	1225	TN	D17	W14	L2	W16	U---	2.5	
13	Dan Williams	13709281	1330	1297	AL	W21	W16	L6	L4	L7	2.0	
14	Calvin Houghland	15053501	857	902	TN	L1	L12	W21	L15	W16	2.0	
15	Sarvagna Velidandla	15123300	1057	1035	AL	L16	W21	L7	W14	L11	2.0	
16	Sudhakar Avirneni	14405573	1399	1316	GA	W15	L13	D8	L12	L14	1.5	
17	Vinay Yerramsetti	14773775	678	784	AL	D12	L18	W20	L9	L8	1.5	

18	Robert M Rieves	12526224	1108	1134	AL	D2	W17	L3	U---	U---	1.5	
19	Bryan G Johnson	14935964	1053	1016	GA	L6	L4	H---	L11	U---	0.5	
20	Timothy Staley	12625534	1010	950	FL	L7	L10	L17	U---	U---	0.0	
21	Thomas Glover III	15030733	390	384	AL	L13	L15	L14	U---	U---	0.0	

QUEEN OF HEARTS: PREMIER (K-12)

#	Name	ID	Rtng	Post	St	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Tot	Prize
1	Om Badhe	14958492	970	1069	AL	W7	W4	W2	W3	D6	4.5	1st Trophy
2	Jenson Wilhelm	15060980	913	923	AL	W6	W10	L1	W9	L3	3.0	3rd Trophy
3	Cesar Juarez Jr	15119990	898	904	AL	W8	W11	L4	L1	W2	3.0	2nd Trophy
4	Hudson Markin	14903444	873	871	AL	W5	L1	W3	L6	B---	3.0	Gold
5	Eshika Kudaravalli	15121078	728	736	AL	L4	B---	W10	L7	W11	3.0	Gold
6	Atindrah Harishankar	15081971	782	793	AL	L2	L9	B---	W4	D1	2.5	Silver
7	Talia Buxbaum	14907453	819	808	MS	L1	L8	W11	W5	D9	2.5	Silver
8	Soundharyalakshmi Ramanathan	15095917	780	769	AL	L3	W7	L9	B---	D10	2.5	Bronze
9	Miles Haughery	15341130	unr.	817	AL	L10	W6	W8	L2	D7	2.5	
10	Mercedes L Zich	15058932	855	802	AL	W9	L2	L5	D11	D8	2.0	
11	Anirudh Harishankar	15081965	533	522	AL	B---	L3	L7	D10	L5	1.5	

QUEEN OF HEARTS: NOVICE (K-6; Not Rated)

#	Name	ID	Rtng	Post	St	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Tot	Prize
1	Benjamin Kennedy	14963224	unr.	1150	AL	W7	W8	W2	D3	W6	4.5	1st Trophy
2	Sreekiran Nataraj		unr.	1128	AL	W17	W11	L1	W4	W3	4.0	2nd Trophy
3	Brian Uhm		unr.	1001	AI	B---	W14	W10	D1	L2	3.5	3rd Trophy

4	Nikhita Chintareddy		unr.	892	AL	D14	W15	W12	L2	W7	3.5	Gold
5	Akhil Boddupalli		unr.	710	AL	D15	L12	B---	W14	W10	3.5	Silver
6	Jasmin L Castillo	15094742	unr.	857	AL	W16	L10	W8	W9	L1	3.0	Silver
7	Skyler Robinson		unr.	873	AL	L1	W16	W11	W10	L4	3.0	Bronze
8	Fraser Higbe		unr.	845	AL	W12	L1	L6	W13	W11	3.0	
9	Rafi Israil		unr.	655	AL	L10	B---	W13	L6	W14	3.0	
10	Raghvan Madabushi		unr.	710	AL	W9	W6	L3	L7	L5	2.0	
11	Miles Darnell		unr.	691	AL	W13	L2	L7	W12	L8	2.0	
12	Rishad Israil		unr.	625	AL	L8	W5	L4	L11	W15	2.0	
13	Michael Kennedy	14963230	unr.	435	AL	L11	W17	L9	L8	B---	2.0	
14	Chris Wang		unr.	558	AL	D4	L3	W15	L5	L9	1.5	
15	Sahasra Subramaniam		unr.	387	AL	D5	L4	L14	B---	L12	1.5	
16	Julia Camacho		unr.	430	AL	L6	L7	U---	U---	U---	0.0	
17	Sofia Camacho		unr.	350	AL	L2	L13	U---	U---	U---	0.0	

Chief Tournament Director: Caesar Lawrence

Assistant Tournament Director: James Garner

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Attendance: 83 Players (66 in the Rated Sections and 17 in the Not Rated Section)

USCF Rating Report: <http://www.uschess.org/msa/XtblMain.php?201402092172>