



Magic City Classic

Chess Tournament Report
December 30, 2016
 Asbury United Methodist Church
 Birmingham, AL 35242



The 9th Annual **Magic City Classic** was held at Asbury UMC. We had fifty (50) players from three (3) states to participate. The Alabama players came from as far away as Fairhope, Dothan, Enterprise, Auburn, Montgomery, and Madison.

The 2016 Magic City Classic top winners:

Premiere (1800+; Rated) Champions

Tejas Thorat - Pelham, AL – 3 points

Stephen Adams – Auburn, AL – 3 points

Reserve (U1800; Rated) Champion

Aaron DeCord – Tuscaloosa, AL – 4 points

Amateur (U1400; Rated) Champion

Mariano Runco – Montgomery, AL – 4 points

Rook (K-12; Rated) Champion

Hayden Harding (Bumpus Middle School) – Hoover, AL – 5 points

Novice (K-12; Not Rated) Champion

Abigail Graveling (Home Schooled), Odenville, AL – 5 points

SwissSys Standings. Magic City Classic: Premiere

#	Place	Name	Rtng	Post	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Tot	TBrk[M]	Prize
1	1-2	TEJAS VINA THORAT	2090	2101	D6	W5	W3	D2	3.0	7.5	175.00/1st
2		STEPHEN ADAMS	2154	2160	W8	D3	W7	D1	3.0	6.5	175.00/2nd
3	3-4	STEPHEN GRAVELING	2116	2114	W4	D2	L1	W5	2.5	8	
4		TIM BOND	1875	1885	L3	D6	B---	W7	2.5	5	100.00/U2000
5	5-6	DREW JUSTICE	1792	1840	W7	L1	W6	L3	2.0	4	
6		OM BADHE	1834	1830	D1	D4	L5	B---	2.0	4	
7	7	GEORGE RUSYNIAK	1977	1947	L5	W8	L2	L4	1.0	5	
8	8	KIRK D PETTY	1927	1908	L2	L7	U---	U---	0.0	1	

SwissSys Standings. Magic City Classic: Reserve

#	Place	Name	Rtng	Post	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Tot	TBrk[M]	Prize
1	1	AARON DECORD	1597	1677	W12	W4	W2	W3	4.0	8	175.00/1st
2	2	ETHAN JOSIA SMITH	1506	1577	W10	W5	L1	W7	3.0	8.5	125.00/2nd
3	3-6	ZACHARY SNOW II	1422	1471	W8	W11	D6	L1	2.5	8.5	50.00/U1500
4		JAMES XIANG YANG	1496	1518	W13	L1	W9	D6	2.5	8.5	50.00/U1500
5		CHRISTIAN FRIEDMAN	1631	1615	W9	L2	D7	W8	2.5	7	
6		JAY MITCHELL	1727	1703	W11	D7	D3	D4	2.5	7	
7	7-9	JAY-EL SHEPHERD II	1527	1529	W14	D6	D5	L2	2.0	5	
8		TAYLOR ALDEN KENT	1073	1196	L3	W14	W12	L5	2.0	3.5	
9		LANDON ZHIDI TU	1388	1398	L5	W10	L4	W11	2.0	3.5	
10	10	NITIN BADHE	1280	1257	L2	L9	B---	D12	1.5	3	
11	11-12	SHANNON LEE BAKER	1408	1369	L6	L3	W13	L9	1.0	5.5	
12		RYAN BOYD WU	1350	1294	L1	D13	L8	D10	1.0	4	
13	13	EDWARD MULLIN	1108	1106	L4	D12	L11	U---	0.5	2	
14	14	NEIL DIETSCH	1284	1242	L7	L8	U---	U---	0.0	2	

SwissSys Standings. Magic City Classic: Amateur

#	Place	Name	Rtng	Post	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Tot	TBrk[M]	Prize
1	1	Mariano Runco	unr.	1685	W6	W3	W2	W5	4.0	6.5	160.00/1st
2	2-3	RAGHAVAN MADABUSHI	924	1026	B---	W4	L1	D3	2.5	8	110.00/U1100
3		WENDELL WHITAKER	1300	1288	W7	L1	W4	D2	2.5	7.5	110.00/2nd
4	4-6	BRIAN PATERSON	unr.	1019	W5	L2	L3	B---	2.0	4	
5		KAPIL NATHAN	1195	1173	L4	W7	W6	L1	2.0	3	
6		JOSHUA SHEPHERD	1049	1035	L1	B---	L5	W7	2.0	2.5	
7	7	Stanley "TJ" Funches	unr.	637	L3	L5	B---	L6	1.0	3.5	

SwissSys Standings. Magic City Classic: Rook

#	Place	Name	Rtng	Post	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Tot	TBrk[M]	Prize
1	1	HAYDEN KY HARDING	1130	1175	W8	W11	W3	W4	W2	5.0	10	1st
2	2-5	AKHIL REDD BATCHU	unr.	907	L3	W5	W11	W7	L1	3.0	13	2nd
3		JOSEPH GRAVELING	983	960	W2	W7	L1	L6	W10	3.0	12.5	3rd
4		JALENA SHEPHERD	542	660	B---	W6	L5	L1	W7	3.0	12.5	Gold
5		JASON Z TU	663	731	L7	L2	W4	W11	W6	3.0	10	Silver
6	6	RISHI YELLAMRAJU	681	687	D10	L4	W8	W3	L5	2.5	7	Bronze
7	7-9	Shreyas Keshava	unr.	683	W5	L3	W10	L2	L4	2.0	10	
8		RAJ PATEL	635	607	L1	B---	L6	L10	W11	2.0	5	
9		SEDANI NAGODAWITHANA	1169	1120	L11	W10	B---	U---	U---	2.0	1	
10	10	BRANDON ALEX TAYLOR	unr.	632	D6	L9	L7	W8	L3	1.5	8.5	
11	11	RHEA RASTOGI	655	638	W9	L1	L2	L5	L8	1.0	10	

SwissSys Standings. Magic City Classic: Novice

#	Place	Name	Rtng	Post	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Rd 6	Tot	TBrk[M]	Prize
1	1	ABIGAIL GRAVELING	unr.	1072	L6	W2	W10	W4	W3	W7	5.0	17.5	1st
2	2-3	Arav Halade	unr.	929	L9	L1	W8	W6	W4	W3	4.0	18.5	2nd
3		Aubrey Sanders	unr.	928	W10	W7	W6	W5	L1	L2	4.0	18.5	3rd
4	4-5	Steven Liu	unr.	792	D5	W10	W7	L1	L2	W9	3.5	16.5	Gold
5		Sadie Currie	unr.	745	D4	W8	W9	L3	L6	W10	3.5	14.5	Silver
6	6-8	Charlie Lowery	unr.	808	W1	W9	L3	L2	W5	L8	3.0	14.5	Bronze
7		Nathan Brantley	unr.	720	W8	L3	L4	W9	W10	L1	3.0	11.5	
8		Rex Gann	unr.	677	L7	L5	L2	W10	W9	W6	3.0	10.5	
9	9	Sasha Gann	unr.	504	W2	L6	L5	L7	L8	L4	1.0	16	
10	10	Sophia Li	unr.	350	L3	L4	L1	L8	L7	L5	0.0	17	

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Attendance: 50 Players (40 in Rated sections and 10 in Not Rated section)

USCF Rating Report: <http://www.uschess.org/msa/XtblMain.php?201612306492>