



Huntsville Challenge

Chess Tournament Report

April 8, 2017

UAHuntsville – Morton Hall
Huntsville, AL 35816

The **Huntsville Challenge** was held at UAH Morton Hall.

We had fifty six (56) players to participate.

Some came from Mississippi, Tennessee, and Georgia.

2017 Huntsville Challenge top winners:

Premiere (1800+; Rated) Champion

Matthew Puckett - Huntsville, AL – 3.5 points

Miles Melvin – Huntsville, AL – 3.5 points

Reserve (U1800; Rated) Champion

Jay-El Shepherd II – Briarfield, AL – 3.5 points

Josh Burgans – Troy, AL – 3.5 points

Amateur (U1300; Rated) Champion

Mike Giffin – Owens Cross Roads, AL – 4 points

Rook (K-12; Rated) Champion

Raj Patel (Hewitt-Trussville Middle School), Trussville, AL – 5 points

Novice (K-12; Not Rated) Champion

Rex Gann (Thompson Intermediate School), Alabaster, AL – 6 points

SwissSys Standings. HUNTSVILLE CHALLENGE: PREMIERE

#	Place	Name	Rtng	Post	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Tot	TBrk[M]	Prize
1	1-2	MATTHEW V PUCKETT	2216	2221	W11	D2	W6	W3	3.5	7.5	165.00/1ST
2		MILES MELVIN III	1940	2016	B---	D1	W10	W5	3.5	7.5	165.00
3	3-4	DREW JUSTICE	1873	1924	D4	W11	W7	L1	2.5	8	100.00/U2000
4		ROCHELLE WU	2133	2123	D3	L5	W9	W6	2.5	6.5	
5	5-8	CHARLES MEIDINGER	2008	2000	L7	W4	W8	L2	2.0	4.5	
6		JOSHUA MCCLELLAN	2065	2057	W8	W9	L1	L4	2.0	4.5	
7		HEMACHANDR RAMBHA	1779	1815	W5	D10	L3	D9	2.0	4	
8		OM BADHE	1834	1855	L6	W12	L5	W11	2.0	3	

9	9-10	AARON DECORD	1766	1759	B---	L6	L4	D7	1.5	4	
10		ARDEN QUIN MARKIN	2106	2087	W12	D7	L2	U---	1.5	2.5	
11	11- 12	ROGER JOHNSON	1916	1892	L1	L3	W12	L8	1.0	5	
12		VIGNESH SEKAR	1848	1814	L10	L8	L11	B---	1.0	3	

SwissSys Standings. HUNTSVILLE CHALLENGE: RESERVE

#	Place	Name	Rtng	Post	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Tot	TBrk[M]	Prize
1	1-2	JAY-EL SHEPHERD II	1559	1646	W13	W3	W6	D2	3.5	8.5	145.00/1ST
2		JOSH BURGANS	1504	1613	W8	W12	W7	D1	3.5	7	145.00
3	3-4	NEAL SANKHLA	1275	1469	W4	L1	W9	W8	3.0	8	100.00/U1400
4		JOEL NICK FRIEDMAN	1535	1586	L3	W5	W12	W6	3.0	7.5	
5	5	PAUL MULQUEEN	1630	1616	D9	L4	W11	W10	2.5	5.5	
6	6-7	JAYASHREE SEKAR	1708	1679	W11	W7	L1	L4	2.0	5	
7		WILLIAM DANIEL FOX	1537	1536	W10	L6	L2	W11	2.0	3	
8	8-10	ADRIAN J MAJERLE	1715	1659	L2	W9	D10	L3	1.5	5.5	
9		VICTOR LUNDY	1424	1416	D5	L8	L3	W12	1.5	4.5	
10		DIFEI ZHU	1400	1390	L7	B---	D8	L5	1.5	3.5	
11	11- 12	CONSTANCE WANG	1482	1457	L6	W13	L5	L7	1.0	5	
12		NITIN BADHE	1252	1225	B---	L2	L4	L9	1.0	4.5	
13	13	PATRICK T DOWD	1406	1376	L1	L11	U---	U---	0.0	1	

SwissSys Standings. HUNTSVILLE CHALLENGE: AMATEUR

#	Place	Name	Rtng	Post	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Tot	TBrk[M]	Prize
1	1	Mike Giffin	unr.	1607	W8	W15	W7	W3	4.0	6.5	140.00/1ST

2	2	KRISTIAN K JORDAN	1146	1284	L11	W9	W8	W7	3.0	6	120.00
3	3-6	XAVIER BRUNI	1207	1281	D14	W6	W11	L1	2.5	8	
4		BURKS ALLEN RIVES	1253	1251	W10	L7	W12	D5	2.5	6	
5		CADEN GARRETT	1172	1198	L7	W13	W14	D4	2.5	5.5	
6		JERRY SMITH	1331	1317	D13	L3	W15	W11	2.5	5	
7	7-10	Kuntrell Jackson	unr.	1317	W5	W4	L1	L2	2.0	5.5	100.00/U1000
8		MATTHEW APPLEBERRY	1158	1173	L1	W10	L2	W12	2.0	4.5	
9		SIMON P KUBRYNSKI	1276	1238	L12	L2	W13	W14	2.0	2.5	
10		ZACHARY CALINSKY	1012	1008	L4	L8	B---	W15	2.0	2.5	
11	11-13	GEON PARK	1362	1312	W2	D12	L3	L6	1.5	6.5	
12		ETHAN JIANING XU	1083	1101	W9	D11	L4	L8	1.5	5.5	
13		EDWARD MULLIN	1103	1080	D6	L5	L9	B---	1.5	4.5	
14	14-15	RISHI SETHURAJ JR	1003	995	D3	H---	L5	L9	1.0	4.5	
15		KARSTEN R WALLACE	1001	965	B---	L1	L6	L10	1.0	4	

SwissSys Standings. HUNTSVILLE CHALLENGE: ROOK

#	Place	Name	Rtng	Post	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Tot	TBrk[M]	Prize
1	1	RAJ PATEL	794	953	W10	W8	W9	W7	W2	5.0	9.5	1ST
2	2-6	CAROLINE WANG	796	780	W11	L9	W3	W4	L1	3.0	13	2ND
3		STEVEN PAN	616	707	W7	W5	L2	W9	L4	3.0	11.5	3RD
4		PATRICK THOM DOWD	482	605	L8	W12	W5	L2	W3	3.0	11	GOLD
5		AADITYA SAXENA	715	682	W6	L3	L4	W10	W12	3.0	11	GOLD
6		JAMES GARY ZHU	495	649	L5	L7	W11	W8	W9	3.0	9.5	SILVER

7	7	KITRICK SHEPHERD	902	840	L3	W6	W8	L1	D10	2.5	8		
8	8-10	VIRAAJ EDULAKANTI	694	669	W4	L1	L7	L6	W11	2.0	10		
9		VALLABH S BUSETTY	631	616	W12	W2	L1	L3	L6	2.0	9		
10		SONGLA LEE	372	430	L1	D11	W12	L5	D7	2.0	7		
11	11	CHRISTOPHER LOBO	589	519	L2	D10	L6	W12	L8	1.5	7		
12	12	NICK SNOW	unr.	100	L9	L4	L10	L11	L5	0.0	8.5		

SwissSys Standings. HUNTSVILLE CHALLENGE: NOVICE

#	Place	Name	Rtng	Post	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Rd 6	Tot	TBrk[M]	Prize
1	1	Rex Gann	unr.	1150	W4	W3	W2	W4	W3	W2	6.0	11.5	1ST
2	2	Sasha Gann	unr.	916	W3	W4	L1	W3	W4	L1	4.0	15.5	2ND
3	3	Blaise Bruni	unr.	500	L2	L1	D4	L2	L1	W4	1.5	15	3RD
4	4	Hank Tyrell	unr.	350	L1	L2	D3	L1	L2	L3	0.5	17	GOLD

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Attendance: 56 Players (52 in Rated sections and 4 in Not Rated section)

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