

Some 500 players from 34 countries took part in the World Schools Individual Championships at the Dusit Thani hotel in Pattaya, Thailand (see p7 – Venue).

Here is the medal table with gold-silver-bronze:

- 01 7 14 China 2-3-1
- 02 7 13 Kazakhstan 2-2-3
- 03 4 10 Philippines 2-2-0
- 04 5 8 Mongolia 1-1-3
- 05 3 7 India 1-2-0
- 06 2 5 Russia 1-1-0
- 07 2 4 Hong Kong 1-0-1
- 08 1 3 Azerbaijan 1-0-0
- 08 1 3 Turkmenistan 1-0-0
- 10 2 2 Indonesia 0-0-2
- 11 1 2 Romania 0-1-0
- 12 1 1 Singapore 0-0-1



Do you know where Pattaya is on this map? See p.7. (maps from Wikipedia & Google)



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Next issue: WEI Yi, world's top junior, is youngest ever Champion of China at age 15 – his 16th birthday was on June 2.



From the opening ceremony

Photographs from the official web site & from ChessBase

Medal Winners

Girls u17	Open u17
1 WFM Shania Mae MENDOZA PHI 8/9	1 IM Zhanat SAIYN KAZ 7.5/9
2 WCM Saloni SAPALE IND 7	2 IM Paulo BERSAMINA PHI 7
3 JIANG Zhaoyi CHN 6.5	3 Arystanbek URAZAYEV KAZ 6.5
Gu15	Ou15
1 WCM Sagar TEJASWINI IND 7/9	1 John Merill JACUTINA PHI 6.5/9
2 Irina BARBAEVA RUS 6.5	2 Nadar ANAND IND 6.5
3 WFM Shanti NUR ABIDAH INA 6 (tie break)	3 WONG Yee Chit SIN 6 (tb)
Gu13	Ou13
1 Annagozel MEKANOVA TKM 7/9	1 FM YU Kaifeng CHN 7.5/9
2 Kylen Joy MORDIDO PHI 7	2 PENG Hongchi CHN 7
3 ZHANG Xiao CHN 7	3 Gilbert Elroy TARIGAN INA 6.5 (tb)
Gu11	Ou11
1 NING Kaiyu CHN 7/9	1 CM Ganzorig AMARTUVSHIN MGL 7.5/9
2 CAI Boheng CHN 6.5 (tb)	2 ZHANG Fuhan CHN 7.5 (tb)
3 WCM Nazerke NURGALI KAZ 6.5 (tb)	3 Kazybek NOGERBEK KAZ 7

Gu9

1 WCM Amina KAIRBEKOVA KAZ 8/9

2 Munkhzul DAVAAKHUU MGL 7.5

3 WCM Batsaikhan ENKHSARAN MGL 6.5

Ou9

1 Ilya MAKOVEEV RUS 8.5/9 2 Iulian-Mihai ANGHEL ROU 7 3 Michael DENG Yu Dong HKG 6.5 (tb)

Gu7

1 Leyla BUDAGOVA AZE 7.5/9

2 Deniza KURMANALINA KAZ

6.5 (tb)

3 Davaakhuu UNURZUL MGL 6.5

Ou7

1 BAO Jin Wen HKG 8/9

2 Aldiyar ANSAT KAZ 7.5

3 Erdenebat AZJARGAL MGL 6.5 (tb)



Ilya MAKOVEEV had the best score of any player. That repeated something he achieved in Batumi last year at the European Youth Championships. There, in the u8 Open group, he scored a perfect 7/7! (photo ChessBase from WYCC 2014).

Girls threatening boys!

The biggest threat to the boys in the Open groups was posed by Bibissara ASSAUBAYEVA of Kazakhstan. She was the second seed in the u11 Open although, in the end, had to settle for a share of 11th-19th (13th on tie-break), two points behind the winner.

She went astray in the endgame against the unrated Chinese boy ZHANG Fuhan who took silver.



46.⊈d6-c5?

[46. 堂d6-e5 f5-f4 47. 堂e5-e4=; 46. 堂d6-d5=]

46...**②**b5-a7!-+ 47.**☆**c5-d5

[47.b3-b4 f5-f4 48.b4-b5 f4-f3 49.②g1xf3 (49.b5-b6 f3-f2 50.②g1-e2 f2-f1營 51.b6xa7 營f1-f2+52.②e2-d4 營f2-f8+ 53.壹c5-b6 g3-g2 54.②d4-e2 營f8-b4+ 55.壹b6-c7 營b4-a5+ 56.壹c7-b8 營a5-b6+57.壹b8-c8 營b6xc6+ 58.壹c8-b8 營c6-b6+ 59.壹b8-a8 營b6-c7 60.-- 營c7-c8#) 49...壹g4xf3 50.b5-b6 g3-g2 51.b6xa7 g2-g1營+]

47...②a7xc6-+ [47...f5-f4-+] 48. 查d5xc6 f5-f4 49.b3-b4 f4-f3 50. ②g1xf3 [50.b4-b5 f3-f2] 50... 查g4xf3 51.b4-b5 g3-g2 52.b5-b6 g2-g1營 53.b6-b7 營g1-a7 54. 全c6-c7 全f3-e4 55. 全c7-c8 營a7-c5+ 56. 全c8-d7 營c5-b6 57. 全d7-c8 營b6-c6+



Bibissara at WYCC 2014 (photo : Reint Dykema, ChessBase)

She obviously enjoyed the finish of her game (Black) against CHEAH Kah Hoe much more.



32... 2 a5-b3+! 33. c1-d1

[33.&c2xb3 c4xb3 34.c3-c4 ②c5-d3+ 35.&c1-d1 ②d3xb2+ 36.&d1-c1 ②b2xc4 35... \(\begin{aligned} 35... \(\begin{aligned} \begin{aligned} 36. \\ \begin{aligned} \delta \de

Kaleidoscope









The Prizes and the winners





U7 Girls



U9 Girls



U7 Open



U9 Open



U11 Girls gold medal NING Kaiyu (22nd seed!)



U13 Girls



U15 Girls



U17 Girls

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U11 Open



U13 Open



U15 Open



U17 Open

The Venue





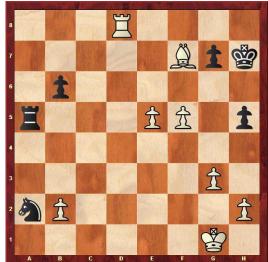




Puzzles

selected by FST & FM Kevin O'Connell (www.kochess.com)

1 White to play. Simple technique.



Ilya MAKOVEEV - Khaled KHALIFAH World Schools Ch u9 Open, Pattaya 2015

3 Black to play. Rook to e1 looks good!



LI Yihao - Akobirkhon SAYDALIEV World Schools Ch u7 Open, Pattaya 2015

2 Black to move. Fork?



Mei Jing GARCERAN WANG-Emilia ZAVIVAEVA World Schools Ch u9 Girls, Pattaya 2015

4 White, to play, is winning. What's best?



Altynay KUZHAMKUL-Isabela BRITO CARRASCO World Schools Ch u7 Girls, Pattaya 2015

SOLUTIONS TO PUZZLES

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