

Atharva Godbole claims his 1st Championship in the 3rd series of MJ's Trophy Every Sunday Rapid Championship!

In a three way tie for the 1st place between, International Master norm holder Harshit Raja, Vedant Pimpalkhare and Atharva Godbole, Atharva had the best tie break score to annex the championship trophy in the 3rd MJ's Trophy Every Sunday Rapid Chess Championship.

Top seed Harshit suffered a shocking loss at the hands of Vaibhav Bakliwal and Atharva had taken an impressive lead with 7 points out of 7 rounds. However, in the last round Harshit turned the tables on Atharva to tie for the 1st place. All three of them scored 7 points each.

This is the 3rd series of "Every Sunday Rapid Chess Championship", sponsored by "Marathe Jewellers".

Top five prizes are as follows:

1. Atharva Godbole – 7 points / 34.5 Buch
2. Harshit Raja – 7 points / 32.5 Buch
3. Vedant Pimpalkhare – 7 points / 31.5 Buch
4. Dipankar Kambale – 6.5 points
5. K. Srinath – 6 points

Special Age group category prizes:

Under 8 Age group:

Gold Medal – Aditi Kayal

Silver Medal – Anuj Dandekar

Bronze Medal – Mrudul Kambale

Under 10 Age group:

Gold Medal – Nirav Killedar

Silver Medal – Om Sarode

Bronze Medal – Amogh Kunte

Under 12 Age group:

Gold Medal – Aryan Shah

Silver Medal – Amit Dhumal

Bronze Medal – Soham Sinha

Under 14 Age group:

Gold Medal – Gaurav Zagade

Silver Medal – Dhaiwat Apte

Bronze Medal – Aditya Deshpande

Under 16 Age group:

Gold Medal – Anjaneya Phatak

Silver Medal – Heramb Bhagwat

Bronze Medal – Sara Joshi

Best Woman category – Siddhi Sheth

Best Veteran category – Ravindra Nargundkar

Few important results of last round:

1. Atharva Godbole (7) lost to Harshit Raja (7)
2. K. Srinath (6) lost to Vedant Pimpalkhare (7)
3. Prasad Ugaonkar (5) lost to Dipankar Kambale (6.5)
4. Aryan Shah (6) won against Rahul Sangvikar (5)
5. Anjaneya Phatak (6) won against JayKumar Desai (5)
6. Dhaiwat Apte (5) lost to Siddhant Tamhankar (6)
7. Vaibhav Bakliwal (5.5) drew with Gaurav Das (5.5)
8. Gaurav Zagade (6) won against Omkar Marathe (5)
9. Pranav Burli (5) lost to Sanjay Amle (6)
10. Ravindra Nargundkar (5.5) won against Milind Naik (4.5)

Description of photos:



Last round game – Atharva Godbole against Harshit Raja!



Atharva receiving the prize and championship trophy from Chief guest – Shri. Sunil Nevrekar



Group photo of all prize winners with Shri. Sunil Nevrekar – Chief Guest.



Atharva with the trophy



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Prize distribution was done at the hands of Shri. Sunil Nevrekar – Secretary Pune District Boxing Association who is also a very dedicated sports organizer of various games.

National Sub Junior Champion Aakanksha Hagawane did the compeering for the entire function!

The 4th MJ's Trophy Every Sunday Championship will be held on next Sunday 17th January at the Mangalwadi Commercial Complex at 9am sharp.