



COGNIZANCE CHESS ACADEMY- A REPORT

Cognizance Chess Academy was formed in March 2019 ,with a vision to contribute fruitfully to the growth of Chess. It was setup to organize tournaments, conduct coaching classes and coordinate chess camps at regular intervals, across the length and breadth of state of Kerala.

The main objective is to provide chess players with more exposure to games , which is instrumental in the development of a player. Learning achieves its meaning only when a player gets opportunity to apply it in different games and thereby add more to his knowledge base. By organizing more tournaments, classes and camps for kids we look forward to generate more interest in them and provide them a strong footing in the game. Engaging in games with experienced players will help them to enhance their knowledge and skills.

Learning Chess, the King of board games has numerous advantages.

It helps to improve concentration, improves memory ,raises IQ ,improves problem solving skills, provides exercise to both sides of the brain, increases creativity and many more.

With a view to introduce Chess to a wider group of kids, our Academy has initiated different types tournaments for all players and for kids, on a regular basis.



Our latest tournament ,AICF Smart Girl Fide Rated Tournament 2019 from 19th October to 23rd October 2019, was organised on behalf of AICF & Chess Association Kerala under the aegis of Ernakulam Chess Association in Hotel Mermaid, Vyttila, Ernakulam, Kerala. The 5 day event was inaugurated by Chief Guest Smt.Madhavikutty IAS, Assistant Collector, Ernakulam.It was presided by myself,Subha Rakesh,Fide Arbiter, President of Ernakulam Chess Association & Organising Secretary , Cognizance Chess Academy. Welcome speech was delivered by Sibin Raghavan and felicitated by Sri.Adv. Sreenijin.P.V, President Ernakulam Sports Council and Sri Kurian, Operations Manager, Fragomen India and Sri.Abdul Azeez, Chairman Blue Ocean Academy,Dubai and Sri.Kannan , Chairman,State Chess in School. Vote of thanks was given by Sri. Arunbose Vs , Secretary, Ernakulam Chess Association. Chief Arbiter was Dr.M.S.Govindankutty IA. Bismi Ajay was fully supporting and helping me in the event.The event went on smoothly with out any issues, on time and beautifully managed by Chief Arbiter. There were 68 players from various states and among them 31 were rated players(46%).So it's one of the strongest Smart Girl Fide Rated Tournament.

All players and parents were happy for all arrangements and for the beautiful venue, heartfelt thanks to Jayasankar Krishnapillai Sir & team for all their support and help, leaving no room for any trouble.

After all the tight , strong rounds Ms.Priyanka Bhatt emerged as the Champion of our first fide, Smart Girl Fide Rated Tournament,2019.

Runner up is Anupam M Sreekumar.

The Eldest player of the event is Smt.Sulekha.A.D ,59 yrs old.The youngest player of the event is Kayalvizhi Kamesh,6 yrs old.

Our Smart Girl Fide Rated Tournament offered the highest Prize money of Rs.1.10 lacs ,among all Smart Girl Fide Rated Tournament,till date, and with 25 trophies.

The Prize Distribution Function was presided over by our dynamic General Secretary, Chess Association Kerala,Sri Rajesh Nattakom.The dignitaries on the stage were Sri.Jayasankar ,MD, Malayalam Group of Industries,Sri. Saju James,MD, Fragomen India,Sri. Kannan Chathuranga, Chairman State Chess in School,Sri. Saju Manjally,State Chess Event Coordinator,CAK and Sri. Arunbose.V.S, Secretary, Ernakulam Chess Association.Arbiters report was presented by the Chief Arbiter.

For the first time,we are issuing Merit cum Participation Certificates as E certificates.

Our Smart Girl Fide Rated event is widely acclaimed as the biggest Smart Girl Event in India till that date, reported by the top chess site chessbase.



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Thirteenth seeded Priyanka Bhatt of Uttar Pradesh scored 7.0/9 and won the biggest Smart Girl All India open at Ernakulam, Kerala. Three other players also finished at the same score, due to a better tie-break score, Priyanka clinched the championship. Kerala's budding talent, multiple State champion and former Commonwealth under-10 Gold medalist, Anupam M Sreekumar scored an unbeaten 7.0/9 and she secured the runner-up position. Total ₹110000 prize fund was distributed among the prize winners, making it the biggest Smart All India open organized till date. Cognizance Chess Academy organized the tournament at Ernakulam, Kerala from 19th - 23rd October 2019. Photo: FA Subha Rakesh

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Our first initiative was Ernakulam District Under 15 Open Chess Tournament 2019, LITTLE STAR WAR-1. It was conducted on 31st March 2019, in YMCA Kadavantra, in association with Ernakulam Chess Association. There were 134 total players from all over Ernakulam District. The total prize money was Rs.10,000/- and total number of trophies were 35. Special prizes were awarded to top 3 girls, and to top 3 in U9 and U11 categories and to the youngest boy and girl in the tournament. The function inaugurated by the famous Cine Artist , Mr. Anil Murali.

A Total 7 rounds were played and time control was 20 minutes + 5 sec increment. There was no spot entry. We started all rounds on time and PD function also started on time.

The Champion of the tournament was Hari R Chandran, who secured 7 points out of 7 rounds. Chief Arbiter was Ameer.P.S (FA). Trophies were sponsored by KANAKA POLYPACKS, Aluva.

The prize distribution function was felicitated by Mr. Nithin Anilkumar of Kanaka Polypack Pvt Ltd and Mr.Saju Kurian, President , YMCA , Ernakulam.



LITTLE STAR WAR -1 was one of the tournaments for kids in Ernakulam District with maximum number of participants.



The next event conducted by our Academy was the official Kerala State Subjunior(Under 15) Open & Girls Chess Championship 2019,in association with Ernakulam Chess Association under the aegis of Chess Association Kerala, which was the selection tournament for National Under 15 Open & Girls Chess Championship 2019. It was organsied at Hotel Mermaid ,Vytila from 27/04/2019 to 28/04/2019. Kids from all districts of Kerala participated in selected and donor categories.

The function was inaugurated by Mr. Sudheesh Cheriyl,GM, LULU Hypermarket and presided by Mr. Jayasankar, MD, Malayalam Industries.

The total number of participants in Girls category was 44 and the total number of participants in Boys category was 88. The total number was 132, one of the highest participation events in the state.

The number of rounds for boys was 8 and for girls it was 7.

Time control was 40 minutes + 5 sec increment. Total 15 prizes were awarded in each category, with total cash prize of 11000 for the first four positions. 40 trophies were presented in each category.

Champion in Boys category was Hari R Chandran, securing 7 points from 8 rounds. Champion in Girls category is Anupam M Sreekumar, securing 6 points from 7 rounds.

The Prize Distribution function was felicitated by Mr. Rajesh Nattakom, General Secretary, Chess Association Kerala. Chief Arbiter was Shaji PM (FA).

Trophies were sponsored by Cheenavala Restaurant, Edappally and Sahyadri Gardens. Cash prizes were sponsored by SBI, Deshabhimani Branch, Kaloor. Other sponsors were IDFC Bank and Popular Motors, Mamangalam.



As a continuation of our vision, we organized FRAGOMEN India-All Kerala Interschool Chess Competition, Little Star War-II in the prestigious Rajagiri Public School, Kalamassery on 3rd August, 2019.

The Title sponsor of the event was FRAGOMEN India, Ernakulam. The co-sponsors of the event were Fincare Small Finance Bank, Ernakulam, Catholic Syrian Bank, MG Road Branch and The Legends, Kakkanad.

It was attended by 587 students from 103 schools from various districts of Kerala. The tournament was conducted for 3 categories, LP (LKG to 4th Std), UP (5TH Std to 7th Std), HS (8th Std to 12th Std) as OPEN. Prizes were awarded to the first 20 positions for boys and girls in each category. A total cash prize of INR 25,500/- and 120 trophies were awarded to winners. First three winners in each category (boys & girls) were gifted with Chess Boards signed by our Legendary Viswanathan Anand, Five times World Champion. It was sponsored by Fincare Small Finance Bank. Also, Overall Trophies were awarded to first 3 schools. This is one among the highest number of participation events in Kerala.



Subha Rakesh, a FIDE Arbiter in Chess and Online Tutor in Mathematics, was a topper in MSc Mathematics at Govt Victoria College, Palakkad. Her other academic achievements include JAIB from Indian Institute of Banking and Finance, Diploma in Business Management from ICFAI. She is a Certified Vedic Maths Professional from Indian Institute of Vedic Maths and Abacus (IIVA). She has obtained FIDE Arbiter Title from World Chess Federation (FIDE) and the first woman to get the title in Ernakulam District and second in Kerala State. She previously worked as Assistant Manager in State Bank of India.



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Currently she is also the President of Ernakulam Chess Association