



# MYSORE CHESS CENTER

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## ARNAV MURALIDHAR AND ANOUSHKA BHATT: KARNATAKA STATE UNDER 09 CHESS CHAMPIONS

Arnav Muralidhar of Bangalore won the Karnataka state under-09 boy's chess championship scoring 8.5 points out of 9 rounds while Siddharth Bhat from Mangalore securing 7 points to win runner-up trophy.

Anoushka Bhatt of Bangalore won the Karnataka state under-09 girls chess championship scoring 8.5 points from 9 rounds. Dathri Umesh of NPS defeated WCM Shefali A N of Mandya in the final round to secure runner-up position with 7.5 points.

The 3-day event organised by Mysore Chess Center under the auspices of United Karnataka Chess Association was held at Hotel Dasaprakash, Mysuru from 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> April. This championship is an all time record in Karnataka State under 9 championship with more than 180 players from Bangalore, Dakshina Kannada, Hassan, Mandya, Gulbarga, Belgaum and Mysore taking participation.

There were 12 FIDE rated players in boy's category with Arnav & Siddharth being the top seeds with an elo of 1247. In girls Shefali was the top seed with 1111 elo points followed by Amisha Loni (1069). Mr. Chethan, former Karnataka State Champion formally inaugurated the event by moving a chess pawn.

The top 2 players from boys & girls sections are selected for the national under-9 chess championship 2016 which is going to be held at Punjab. Top-ten cash and trophy prizes were awarded in each category and also all players were presented with special prizes and certificates for encouragement.

The prizes were given by Mr Vishwanath, director of Dasaprakash group of Hotels, Mr Arvind Shastry, Secretary, UKCA, Mr Nagendra Muralidhar Director of Mysore Chess Center, Mr Gavi Siddayya Joint Secretary UKCA, Mrs Madhuri Jain Secretary Mandya District Chess Association.

### Top 10 Boys:

Rank	Name	Club	Pts
1	Anoushka Bhatt	BLR	8½
2	Dhatri Umesh	MYS	7½
3	Eshanvi M N	MYS	7
4	Vindya Sridhar	MYS	7
5	Vaishnavi R Rao	BLR	6½
6	Yashaswi S Kiran	MDY	6
7	Shefali A N	MDY	6
8	Sri Akshitha Sajja	BLR	6
9	Tanmayee Reddy	BLR	6
10	Shraddha Somanath	BLR	6

### Top 10 Girls:

Rank	Name	Club	Pts
1	Arnav Muralidhar	BLR	8½
2	Siddarth Bhat J	DK	7½
3	Arhan Chethan Anand	BLR	7
4	Sasmith A Suvarna	UDP	7
5	Deota Sriyansh	BLR	7
6	Pranav P Angadi	BLR	7
7	Shubh Kapur	BLR	7
8	Nikilesh G K	BLR	6½
9	Anirudh B S	BLR	6½
10	Anirudhh M K	BLR	6½

