

# December 31st

## 2020

# BLITZ

# Report



Thank you to all participants of our New Year's Blitz event! On behalf of the tournament directors, we would like to apologize for the various delays and inefficiencies that happened during the event. We hope you can look past the inconveniences and that you still enjoyed the games and competition overall! In addition to the results, we wanted to commend a few of the players for their performances and tell the story of each section! Without further ado, here are the highlights from the event.

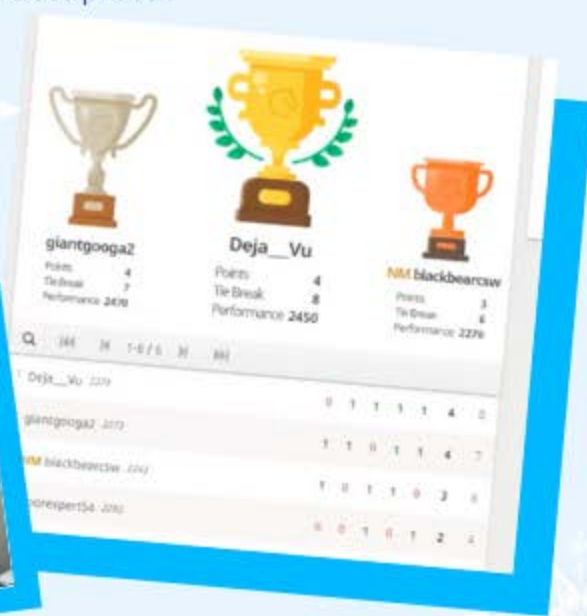
### OPEN

Although there were just 6 players in our open section the competition was still fierce. Although everybody was able to win a prize due to the rating spread, the true story was between **Gary** and **Alex** in a constant battle for first. They were neck and neck in points up until round 7 when Alex started to pull ahead through his win against Gary and never relinquished the lead. In the end, **Alex** stood head and shoulders above the rest, taking the section down with an impressive 8.5 points out of 10. Congratulations to Alex and to all!

### U1600

Our U1600 section was our biggest part of the event. With 35 players there was no shortage of exciting games as well as a nail-biting race for first place towards the end! As promised to all of the players, the scores have been updated to reflect a full point if you played vs one of the four players that were not meant to be there!

The real action began in rounds 6 & 7 with multiple players tied in points and trying to distance themselves from the competition. Round 7 started with **Luke W.**, **Ian S.**, **Aiden**, **Ryan**, and **Goktug** all tied up with 5 points out of 6. Whoever could trump their opponent would sail into a guaranteed first place. When the dust settled between the five players, **Luke** and **Ian** were the players taking home the wins and tying for the title! Below them was a massive ten-way tie for third place! These players split up the 3rd place prizes as well as the large majority of the eligible class prizes.







One player stood alone winning the U800 class prize all to himself! **Ankush** put up an absolutely stellar performance, winning 5/7 games as one of the lowest rated players in the section! Certainly, earning his reward, Ankush takes home his portion of the tie as the sole U800 player at the top of the standings.

Last but not least, some brave players embraced the challenge of the costume competition! **Anderson, Colin, Luke C,** and **Saanvi** all presented their chess-battling gear (Anderson showed up in actual battle gear!) to the staff who voted on their favorites. In the end **Anderson** and **Luke** were the winners of the best costume prizes!

### Unrated

Our unrated section saw a total 12 players ringing in the new year with some speed chess. Playing a total of 6 rounds, **Andy** crowned the section with an impressive 5/6 points! Andy dropped only one game to **Michael** who ended up placing 4th. Between Andy and Michael came **David** and **Yash M.** in a tie for 2nd with 4.5 points! David and Yash were both very close to an undefeated run, losing just one game to Andy

himself!

This section also saw a costume getup worthy of recognition. **AJ** takes home the best costume prize! Both him and his brother came not only to play but dressed to impress, more than earning themselves the costume prizes for this year.

### TD NOTE

*As always, we'd like to thank you all for your patience and enthusiasm during the events. We wish you all a happy new year and hope that tournament chess can make a triumphant return as soon as it is safe to do so. I'm sure we'll see all of you again in 2021!*



# DECEMBER 31, 2020 NEW YEAR'S EVE BLITZ TOURNAMENT RESULTS

## OPEN SECTION

No.	Name	Rate	Pts	Plc	Rnd1	Rnd2	Rnd3	Rnd4	Rnd5	Rnd6	Rnd7	Rnd8	Rnd9	Rnd10	Rnd11	PRIZE
1	Petrosyan, Alexander	1994	8.5	I	L3	W4	W2	W5	W6	W3	W2	D4	W5	-U-	W6	1st Place - \$140
2	Leschinsky, Gary	2008	7.0	II	W6	W3	L1	W4	W5	W6	L1	D5	D3	-U-	-X-	2nd Place - \$70
3	WELCOME, CHRIS	2077	6.0	III	W1	L2	W5	W6	L4	L1	W5	D6	D2	-X-	-U-	3rd Place - \$42
4	Jacobs, Jon	2156	3.5	4	L5	L1	W6	L2	W3	L5	W6	D1	-U-	-F-	-F-	TU2200 - \$42
5	Nizhegorodtsev, Sergey	1854	3.5	5	W4	L6	L3	L1	L2	W4	L3	D2	L1	W6	-U-	TU2000 - \$42
6	Qian, Bobby	1628	1.5	6	L2	W5	L4	L3	L1	L2	L4	D3	-U-	L5	L1	TU1800 - \$42

## U1600 SECTION

No.	Name	Rate	Pts	Plc	Rnd1	Rnd2	Rnd3	Rnd4	Rnd5	Rnd6	Rnd7	PRIZE
1	Widjaja, Luke	1242	6.0	I-II	W5	W15	L13	-B-	W11	W4	W3	1st-2nd \$135
2	Szerencsy, Ian	1406	6.0	I-II	W22	W19	W3	W13	L4	W14	W16	1st-2nd \$135
3	Bas, Goktug	960	5.0	3	W28	-B-	L2	W7	W15	W6	L1	3rd place + TU1400-TU1000 - \$24
4	Chen, Ryan	1286	5.0	4	W33	W7	W14	-B-	W2	L1	L5	3rd place + TU1400-TU1000 - \$24
5	Dyadyuk, Felix	1260	5.0	5	L1	W25	W9	W17	L6	W22	W4	3rd place + TU1400-TU1000 - \$24
6	Stewart, Colin	856	5.0	6	L15	W32	W22	W8	W5	L3	W11	3rd place + TU1400-TU1000 - \$24
7	Das, Vedanta	1137	5.0	7	W18	L4	W31	L3	W24	W15	W13	3rd place + TU1400-TU1000 - \$24
8	Widjaja, Ian	1200	5.0	8	W29	W27	-B-	L6	W12	L13	W14	3rd place + TU1400-TU1000 - \$24
9	Soldatenkov, Elizabeth	847	5.0	9	W16	-B-	L5	L25	W34	W23	W24	3rd place + TU1400-TU1000 - \$24
10	Weil, Peter	1002	5.0	10	D23	-B-	W18	L16	W32	W29	D22	3rd place + TU1400-TU1000 - \$24
11	Kennedy, Aiden	1014	5.0	11	W25	W35	-B-	-B-	L1	W17	L6	3rd place + TU1400-TU1000 - \$24
12	Ambegaonkar, Ankush	440	5.0	12	-B-	W34	W35	L14	L8	W26	W19	TU800 - \$54
13	UDHYAKUMAR, TANISHK	1107	4.0	13	W24	W31	W1	L2	L14	W8	L7	
14	Chen, Geoffrey	864	4.0	14	W34	W23	L4	W12	W13	L2	L8	
15	Murkis, Benjamin	1206	4.0	15	W6	L1	W26	W30	L3	L7	W25	
16	Liu, Michael	1111	4.0	16	L9	W28	L17	W10	W26	W19	L2	
17	stripunsky, jane	1306	4.0	17	-B-	W24	W16	L5	W25	L11	L18	
18	Ganesh, Saanvi	821	4.0	18	L7	W33	L10	W20	L19	W27	W17	
19	Pitcock, Grayson		4.0	19	-B-	L2	-B-	W23	W18	L16	L12	
20	Xu, Alex	512	4.0	20	W26	-B-	L30	L18	L29	W32	W31	
21	Murkis, Ethan	714	4.0	21	-B-	L30	W33	L26	L27	-B-	W29	
22	Donayre, Luca	741	3.5	22	L2	W29	L6	W35	W30	L5	D10	
23	Attar, Benny		3.5	23	D10	L14	W28	L19	W31	L9	W27	
24	Chapnik, Daniel	953	3.0	24	L13	L17	W34	W27	L7	W30	L9	
25	Badushov, Anton	989	3.0	25	L11	L5	-B-	W9	L17	W31	L15	
26	Chamberlain, Justin	725	3.0	26	L20	-B-	L15	W21	L16	L12	W35	
27	Lavrinovich, Christian	551	3.0	27	W30	L8	-B-	L24	W21	L18	L23	
28	Parthiban Kavithamani, D	135	3.0	28	L3	L16	L23	L32	-B-	W33	W30	
29	Zamir, Benaya	1045	2.0	29	L8	L22	W32	L31	W20	L10	L21	
30	Schafer, Anderson	925	2.0	30	L27	W21	W20	L15	L22	L24	L28	BEST COSTUME
31	Attar, David		2.0	31	-B-	L13	L7	W29	L23	L25	L20	
32	Choe, Remy	564	2.0	32	L35	L6	L29	W28	L10	L20	W34	
33	Murkis, Davin	808	2.0	33	L4	L18	L21	L34	W35	L28	-B-	
34	Zhang, Jack	866	1.5	34	L14	L12	L24	W33	L9	D35	L32	
35	Chao, Luke	833	1.5	35	W32	L11	L12	L22	L33	D34	L26	BEST COSTUME

## UNRATED SECTION

No.	Name	Pts	Plc	Rnd1	Rnd2	Rnd3	Rnd4	Rnd5	Rnd6	PRIZE
1	Goldfarb, Andrew	5.0	I	W2	W9	W3	L4	W5	W8	1st - \$48
2	Shtukater, David	4.5	II-III	L1	D12	W10	W6	W9	W4	2nd -3rd Place - \$30
3	Mittal, Yash	4.5	II-III	W12	W11	L1	W9	D4	W7	2nd -3rd Place - \$30
4	Lokhov, Michael	4.0	4	D7	W5	W6	W1	D3	L2	
5	Wang, Chunyu	3.5	5	D6	L4	W12	W10	L1	W9	
6	Patlan, Hovannes	3.0	6	D5	W7	L4	L2	D8	W10	
7	Guerriero, Dante	2.5	7	D4	L6	L8	W12	W11	L3	
8	Pathuri, Prateek	2.5	8	L9	L10	W7	W11	D6	L1	
9	Poddar, Yash	2.0	9	W8	L1	W11	L3	L2	L5	
10	Sezgin, Derin	2.0	10	L11	W8	L2	L5	W12	L6	
11	Schafer, AJ	2.0	11	W10	L3	L9	L8	L7	W12	BEST COSTUME
12	Lee, Daniel	0.5	12	L3	D2	L5	L7	L10	L11	