



E-Catur Pinang

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Malaysian Amateur Chess Championship 2026

There was a hive of chess activities leading to Merdeka Day at the Putra Regency Hotel in the northern state of Perlis from 29th to 31st August. The events included the FIDE-Rated Malaysian Amateur Chess Championship (Open and Women Event) and the National Rapid and Blitz Chess Championship. A commendable effort by the Perlis Chess Association. A big Thank You to the Chief Organiser, NA Syaifulzamani Ismail and Chief Arbiter, Mohd. Nurul Izani Mohd. Asri for a well-run tournament.

The 2026 Malaysian Amateur Chess Championship (Open Category) was won by Harith Kamil Zafri Bin Mohd. Zain. He took home the 1st Prize money worth RM1,500. The 2nd place went to Sharly Hakimy bin Hamdan. Fahman Arasy bin Ayub was third.

In the Women's category, Penang's 16 year-old ACM Ashwiny a/p Kumaran was the clear winner with 5 wins and 2 draws. Yeoh Leighton, 15, was third with 5.5 points. She Shuen Fei, 16, was fourth. Indeed, a good showing by our young lady players!

Final Ranking crosstable after 7 Rounds

Rk.	Name	1.Rd	2.Rd	3.Rd	4.Rd	5.Rd	6.Rd	7.Rd	Pts.
1	ACM Ashwiniy A/P Kumaran	13b1	5w1	8b1	2w1	3b½	9w1	4w½	6
2	Aqilah Husna Binti Ainul Fikri	6w1	12b1	3w1	1b0	7w1	4b½	8w1	5,5
3	Yeoh Leighton	15w1	10b1	2b0	12w1	1w½	8b1	9b1	5,5
4	She Shuen Fei	5b0	7b1	15w1	10b½	6w1	2w½	1b½	4,5
5	Nur Airis Arissa Binti Mohamad Zai	4w1	1b0	10w0	17b1	14w1	6b0	12b1	4
6	Nurin Marissa Raisha	2b0	9w1	14b1	8w½	4b0	5w1	7w½	4
7	Izz Imanina Binti Mohd Wafiuddin	9b½	4w0	16b1	13w1	2b0	10w1	6b½	4
8	AFM Zamirah Abu Bakar	14w1	11b1	1w0	6b½	12b1	3w0	2b0	3,5
9	Najwah Binti Aziz	7w½	6b0	11w1	15b1	10w1	1b0	3w0	3,5
10	Nur Insyirah Ogoy Mohd Hadi Anwar	18b1	3w0	5b1	4w½	9b0	7b0	16w1	3,5

The classy Tournament Hall at Putra Regency, Kangar



The Winners in the Women's Category



Well done Ashwiniy!

The National Blitz Chess Championship was won by Fahman Arasy with a total score of 8/9. Fahman won his first 8 games and lost in the final round. Penang's Peh Yi Feng was third while Angad Dev Singh was sixth. Both Penang players are only 15 years old. Tyrus Low, 14 was ninth.

National Blitz Chess Championship 2026 Final Ranking Crosstable after 9 Rounds

Rk	Name	Pts
1	Fahman Arasy Bin Ayub	8
2	Syawal Aqmar Bin Shahrir Ariff	7,5
3	Peh Yi Feng	7
4	Aqilah Husna Binti Ainul Fikri	7
5	Muhammad Aziz Farhan Bin Noor Akbar	6,5
6	Angad Dev Singh	6,5
7	Harith Kamil Zafri Bin Mohd. Zain	6
8	Muhammad Amsyar Dzaarif Bin Hayazee	6
9	Tyrus Low Yi Chen	6
10	Muhammad Thaqif Wafi	6

In the 9-round National Rapid Chess Championship. 15-year old lady player, Aqilah Husna Binti Ainul Fikri emerged as the clear Champion with an unbeaten score of 8/9! Penang's Peh Yi Feng was second at 7/9. Angad Dev Singh was in 8th position.

National Rapid Chess Championship 2026 Final Ranking crosstable after 9 Rounds

Rk.	Name	1.Rd	2.Rd	3.Rd	4.Rd	5.Rd	6.Rd	7.Rd	8.Rd	9.Rd	Pts.
1	Aqilah Husna Binti Ainul Fikri	11b+	27w1	17b1	7w½	4b1	14b1	9w1	5w1	2b½	8
2	Peh Yi Feng	34w1	49b1	3w½	8b1	25w0	13b1	26b1	7w1	1w½	7
3	Fahman Arasy Bin Ayub	24b1	16w1	2b½	4w½	22b1	5w0	18b1	17w1	9b1	7
4	Syawal Aqmar Bin Shahrir Ariff	28w1	12b1	10w1	3b½	1w0	8b0	11w1	15b1	14w1	6,5
5	Harith Kamil Zafri Bin Mohd. Zain	42w1	35b1	18w1	9w1	7b0	3b1	25w1	1b0	8w½	6,5
6	Soh Weing Chiong	39b1	36w1	7b0	48w1	21b1	9w0	19b1	14b½	17w1	6,5
7	Sharly Hakimy Bin Hamdan	19w1	47b1	6w1	1b½	5w1	25b½	8w½	2b0	13w1	6,5
8	Angad Dev Singh	38b1	26w½	29b1	2w0	27b1	4w1	7b½	16w1	5b½	6,5

9	Muhammad Aziz Farhan Bin Noor Akbar	21w1	22b1	13w1	5b0	10w1	6b1	1b0	25w1	3w0	6
10	Muhammad Amsyar Dzaarif Bin Hayazee	44b1	50w1	4b0	34w1	9b0	36w1	14w0	37b1	28w1	6







Best Veteran Player



Best Under 12 Girl







