

## The RGS 2010 Chess Congress

In terms of numbers this year's congress, held on Saturday, was the most successful for a number of years. 92 children took part, of whom 52 were from RGS (37 from the Junior School). Children came from as far away as Gretna in Scotland, Carlisle in the West, and Yarm in the South.

Four tournaments were played; the Senior Tournament was won by Amarvansh Singh of Jesmond JCC; Camas Millar and Jason Maxwell (both Trinity School, Carlisle) came second and third. The Under-13 Tournament was won by Avran Millar (Trinity, Carlisle). Three players, Mark Rowden (Mortimer, South Shields), Akhil Gupta and Rahim Neal-Yakoob (both RGS) shared second place. Tabitha Burnett (RGS) won the overall Girls Trophy.

RGS dominated the top places in both Junior Tournaments. At Under-11 William Wilkinson came first, whilst second place was shared by Omkar Dixit and Anthony Lai. At Under-9 Keshav Krishnan and Eashan Ragbir shared first place; third was William Slater. I was very impressed by a lot of the play from NPS pupils in the junior sections, particularly at U-9. They are, of course, taught by RGS old boy, Richard Boddy.

Obviously such a large event depended on the help of many people and I am particularly grateful to Richard Boddy and Martin Seeber for help in running the tournaments, to Mrs Byatt and Nathan for running a very successful tuckshop, and to Dr Spencer, for stepping in to represent the Junior school and for presenting prizes to all 92 competitors at the end of the afternoon.

Full scores of all the tournaments will appear on the school notice-boards and on the NJCA website, [www.njca.org.uk](http://www.njca.org.uk).

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RGS Congress 2010  
Played in the Fenwick Hall, 8th October

### SENIOR SECTION

Pos	Name	1	2	3	4	Total
1	Amarvansh Singh Wadhwa (Jesmond)	3w1	2b1	5w1	8b1	4
2	Camas Millar (Carlisle)	4b1	1w0	6b1	5w1	3
3	Jason Maxwell (Carlisle)	1b0	8b1	7w1	6w"	2.5
4	Ben Cull (RGS)	2w0	6b0	8w1	7b1	2
5	Zheming Zhang (Jesmond)	8w1	7w1	1b0	2b0	2
6	Thomas Cleminson (RGS)	7b0	4w1	2w0	3b"	1.5
7	Oliver Rice (QEHS)	6w1	5b0	3b0	4w0	1
8	Hugo Meecham (Kings)	5b0	3w0	4b0	1w0	0

Amarvansh Singh was U-18 Champion; Camas Millar was U-15 Champion

UNDER-13 SECTION

Pos	Name	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
1	Avran Millar (Carlisle)	3b1	4w1	2b1	10w1	8w1	12b1	6
2	Mark Rowden (So.Shields)	8w1	17b1	1w0	6w1	10b1	11b1	5
3	Akhil Gupta (RGS)	1w0	16b1	18w1	19w1	7b1	8b1	5
4	Rahim Neal-Yakoob (RGS)	21w1	1b0	17w1	15b1	9b1	10w1	5
5	Sam Whitehurst (RGS)	19b1	10w0	9b0	17b1	6w1	13w1	4
6	Ibrahim Nasser (RGS)	18w1	13b1	7w"	2b0	5b0	9w1	3.5
7	Angus Clarke (Dame Allan's)	14w1	20b1	6b"	9w0	3w0	17b1	3.5
8	Nic Byrne (St Mary's)	2b0	bye	12w1	13w1	1b0	3w0	3
9	Martin Wright (Carlisle)	20w0	14b1	5w1	7b1	4w0	6b0	3
10	James Ferrier (RGS)	11w1	5b1	15w1	1b0	2w0	4b0	3
11	Naman Garg (Yarm)	10b0	15w0	22b1	20b1	14w1	2w0	3
12	Peter Wilson (RGS)	17w0	21b1	8b0	16w1	19b1	1w0	3
13	Sukhdeep Singh Srail (RGS)	22b1	6w0	20w1	8b0	15w1	5b0	3
14	Tabitha Burnett (RGS)	7b0	9w0	16w1	18b1	11b0	19w1	3
15	Asheek Sarkar (RGS)	16w"	11b1	10b0	4w0	13b0	21w1	2.5
16	Sam Lord (RGS)	15b"	3w0	14b0	12b0	22w1	18w1	2.5
17	Hisham Nasser (RGS)	12b1	2w0	4b0	5w0	21b1	7w0	2
18	Joshua Turner (RGS)	6b0	22w1	3b0	14w0	20w1	16b0	2
19	Gabriel Booth-Apte (Yarm)	5w0	bye	21w1	3b0	12w0	14b0	2
20	Yusuf Hassan (RGS)	9b1	7w0	13b0	11w0	18b0	22b"	1.5
21	Lloyd Greenup (Carlisle)	4b0	12w0	19b0	22w1	17w0	15b0	1
22	Darius Greenup (Carlisle)	13w0	18b0	11w0	21b0	16b0	20w"	0.5

Tabitha Burnett was overall Girls Champion

UNDER-11 SECTION

Pos	Name	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
1	William Wilkinson (RGS)	10w1	26b1	3w"	12b1	5w1	4b1	5.5
2	Omkar Dixit (RGS)	6b1	7w0	22w1	8w1	13b1	5b1	5
3	Anthony Lai (RGS)	22b1	25w1	1b"	4b"	9w1	7w1	5
4	Parth Mannikar (RGS)	15w1	12b"	13b1	3w"	6b1	1w0	4
5	Daksh Sharma (RGS)	23b1	19w1	11b1	7w1	1b0	2w0	4
6	Hamish Burnett (RGS)	2w0	15b1	24w1	10b1	4w0	14b1	4
7	Manav Gupta (RGS)	9w1	2b1	14w1	5b0	15w1	3b0	4
8	Uzaam Qayoom (RGS)	19b0	28w1	17w1	2b0	20w1	12b1	4
9	Peter Owen (NPS)	7b0	23w1	21b1	11w1	3b0	16w1	4
10	Daniel Bell (St Tes)	1b0	27w1	25b1	6w0	17b1	13w1	4
11	Alex Cheng (RGS)	27b1	16w1	5w0	9b0	12w"	15b1	3.5
12	Tom Huntley (RGS)	16b1	4w"	19b1	1w0	11b"	8w0	3
13	Rory Fraser (RGS)	24w1	17b1	4w0	14b1	2w0	10b0	3
14	Aaron Choi (RGS)	20b1	18w1	7b0	13w0	19b1	6w0	3
15	Aaranya Nodiyal (RGS)	4b0	6w0	26w1	20b1	7b0	11w0	2
16	Kushagra Modi (RGS)	2w0	11b0	23w1	26b1	22w1	9b0	3
17	William Green (RGS)	28b1	13w0	8b0	25w1	10w0	22b1	3
18	Alaap Subramonia (RGS)	26w1	14b0	20w0	22b0	27w1	25b1	3
19	Chidera Obonna (RGS)	8w1	5b0	12w0	21b1	14w0	23b1	3
20	Owen Bell (NPS)	14w0	bye	18b1	15w0	8b0	21w"	2.5
21	Shriram Rupa Geethanath (RGS)	25b0	bye	9w0	19w0	28b1	20b"	2.5
22	William Rice (Allenheads)	3w0	24b1	2b0	18w1	16b0	17w0	2
23	David Kusi (RGS)	5w0	9b0	16b0	27w1	24b1	19w0	2
24	Cuthbert Craig RGS)	13b0	22w0	6b0	28b1	23w0	27b1	2
25	Sophie Dodd (Gretna)	21w1	3b0	10w0	17b0	26w"	18w0	1.5
26	Nigel Sanchez (Jesmond)	18b0	1w0	15b0	16w0	25b"	28w0	0.5
27	Finlay Brechin (RGS)	11w0	10b0	28w1	23b0	18b0	24w0	1
28	Carolyn Dickson (Carlisle)	17w0	8b0	27b0	24w0	21w0	26b1	1

UNDER-9 SECTION

Pos	Name	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
1	Keshav Krishnan (RGS)	9b1	6w1	8b1	16w1	2b"	5w1	5.5
2	Eashan Ragbir (RGS)	20b1	19w1	23b1	5w1	1w"	4b1	5.5
3	William Slater (RGS)	8b0	15w1	17b1	23w1	7b1	6w1	5
4	Oliver Waterhouse (NPS)	15b"	31w1	22w1	10b1	16b1	2w0	4.5
5	Peter Baker (NPS)	30w1	21b1	9w1	2b0	11w1	1b0	4
6	Hugo Cox (NPS)	26w1	1b0	33w1	8w1	13b1	3b0	4
7	Arif Alam (RGS)	24w1	11b0	20w1	22b1	3w0	14b1	4
8	Dominic Greenup (Carlisle)	3w1	33b1	1w0	6b0	27w1	10b1	4
9	Jake Dorman (NPS)	1w0	34b1	5b0	24w1	20w1	16b1	4
10	Jonathan Scott (RGS)	21w1	22b"	13w1	4w0	23b1	8w0	3.5
11	Ben Askew (NPS)	34w1	7w1	16b0	19w1	5b0	15b"	3.5
12	Kieran Bell (St Tes)	18b1	16w0	19b0	29b1	15w"	21w1	3.5
13	Joe Whitehurst (NPS)	14w"	29b1	10b0	28w1	6w0	22b1	3.5
14	Nathan Byatt (RGS)	13b"	23w0	31b1	15w"	19b1	7w0	3
15	Ben Clark (Jesmond)	4w"	3b0	24w1	14b"	12b"	11w"	3
16	Ethan Heardman (RGS)	25w1	12b1	11w1	1b0	4w0	9w0	3
17	Luca Wood (NPS)	22w0	27b1	3w0	21b"	25b1	24w"	3
18	Luca Hayes (NPS)	12w0	25b0	21w0	34w1	33b1	27b1	3
19	Dan Clarke (RGS)	32w1	2b0	12w1	11b0	14w0	30b1	3
20	Matt Bell (NPS)	2w0	26b1	7b0	25w1	9b0	28w"	2.5
21	James Moreby (RGS)	10b0	5w0	18b1	17w"	26w1	12b0	2.5
22	Jatin Naru (RGS)	17b1	10w"	4b0	7w0	28b1	13w0	2.5
23	Rory Bell (St Tes)	27w1	14b1	2w0	3b0	10w0	26b"	2.5
24	Joe Boaden (RGS)	7b0	30w1	15b0	9b0	29w1	17b"	2.5
25	Finlay Dorman (NPS)	16b0	18w1	28b"	20b0	17w0	31w1	2.5
26	Avy Iyer (RGS)	6b0	20w0	32b1	33w1	21b0	23w"	2.5
27	Liam Hide (RGS)	23b0	17w0	30b1	31w1	8b0	18w0	2
28	Theo Hault (NPS)	33w0	32b1	25w"	13b0	22w0	20b"	2
29	Denizhan Akdeniz (Carlisle)	31b"	13w0	34b"	12w0	24b0	33w1	2
30	Fred Hault (NPS)	5b0	24b0	27w0	32w1	34b1	19w0	2
31	Elliot Sheriff (RGS)	29w"	4b0	14w0	27b0	32w1	25b0	1.5
32	Megan Cottee (RGS)	19b0	28w0	26w0	30b0	31b0	34w1	1
33	Tharun Suresh (RGS)	28b1	8w0	6b0	26b0	18w0	29b0	1
34	Talha Pathan (RGS)	11b0	9w0	29w"	18b0	30w0	32b0	0.5