

Durham County Junior Chess Championships: 26 April 2009

Following the North Tyneside Championships on Saturday, the County Durham Championships, organised by Ken Neat and Dave Bedworth, were held in the Gilesgate Sports College, Belmont, on the Sunday.

RGS won 3½ of the 5 titles on offer. Tom Glover retained his U-18 title with David Griffin, playing his second tournament of the weekend in second place. Daniel White won at Under-15. Ben Cull shared the Championship at Under-13.

Ibrahim Nasser played on both days and won his second tournament of the weekend, taking the Durham Under-11 Championship with 7.5/8. Let's hope he found time for his homework! Akhil Gupta was second, just a point behind. And Mark Rowden was third on 5/8, his 3 losses being to Ibrahim and both the Guptas. Hisham Nasser started well with 2.5/3 but collapsed to a total of 3.5/8.

The Under – 9 Championship was won by Manav Gupta with a splendid score of 6.5/8. His one loss was to Ibrahim and his draw was against his big brother!