

# AYRSHIRE JUNIOR CHESS TOUR

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2026, Venue – Greenwood Academy, Dreghorn, Irvine KA11 4HL

This is the seventh of this season's junior events to be held over the coming months

There were four sections held with a mix of schools and abilities and all players had at least four games in the evening. Medals were awarded for any player reaching two and a half points

Section A (14 players)	Section B (14 players)
Tyler Millar, Greenwood MEDAL	Joel Wright, Notre Dame MEDAL
Olexiy Bogachjov, Greenwood MEDAL	Luca Bradley, Whitehirst Park MEDAL
Austin McAulay, Alloway MEDAL	Charlie Thomson, St Matthews MEDAL
Jacob McCabe, Greenwood MEDAL	Ahmed Gamaleldin, St Andrews MEDAL
Marcello Marchetti, Greenwood MEDAL	Arya Kerr, Springside MEDAL
Ethan Moan, St Andrews	Nathan McBride, Loudoun Montgomery
Murray Williams, Greenwood	Pranav Pushpadass, St Ninians
Finn Penny, Stewarton	Jude Cotter, Troon
Shreyansh Nanduru, Heathfield	Liyan Nishchitti, Struthers
Andrew Baird, Lainshaw	Imogen Ireland, Brahead
Finlay Dunn, Glebe	Jacob Sneddon, Lawthorn
Liam Scott, Greenwood	Koda Douglas, Dykemains
Paul Sands, St Matthews	Jamie Murdoch, Abbey
Viktor Bresch, Abbey	Kristine Kamani, Brahead

<b>Section A (16 players)</b>	<b>Section C (13 players)</b>
Emily Neilson, Dundonald MEDAL	Yarik Pilipchuk, Abbey MEDAL
Kerr Graham, Springside MEDAL	Charlie Meldrum, Whitehirst Park MEDAL
Struan Andrews, Whitehirst Park MEDAL	Joseph Andrews, Whitehirst Park MEDAL
Noah Houston, Lawthorn MEDAL	Yashwant saai Karthikeyan, St Ninians MEDAL
Edward Officer, St Andrews MEDAL	Ethan Curran, St Marks MEDAL
Bradley Clugston, Loudoun MEDAL	Hannah Mariam Vinod, St Marks
Aaron Collins Troon MEDAL	Rose Lawrie, Nether Robertland
Hafsa Gamaleldin, St Josephs	James Smith, Braehead
Aiden Wheeldon, Brahead	Calian Wales, St Andrews
Calene Bell, Glebe	Robert McMillan, Springside
Anas Mohammed St Marks	Hanoch Thomas Vinod, St Marks
Kyle O'Hara Frew, Braehead	Preston Parker, Lainshaw
Sam Alderice, St Marks	Abigail Kerr, Braehead
Sophie Grace Clark, Lawthorn	
Caleb Hamilton, Dykesmains	
Leighton Watson, Glebe	

A total of fifty seven players from across Ayrshire played in the event with twenty two players winning medals for gaining two and a half points or higher out of maximum of four. Also there were twelve players who entered but did not show up on the night

- Thanks to Mr Taylor of Greenwood Chess Club for hosting and organising the event
- And thanks also to John Montgomery of Stewarton, Alan Steel of Stewarton and Cameron Smith of Troon for running the sections .
- Thanks also to Greenwood players who set up and then cleared and up after matches
- Thanks to all the parents and teachers who brought the players and kept the waiting rooms quite clear of rubbish etc

**Please note that it takes over twenty hours of organising to receive and acknowledge entries, and then write up pairing cards and create wall charts and that players who fail to turn up on the night cause problems in getting the event started. Please be mindful of all that work and help cut down on the no-shows – there were around a few players who entered but did not show up on the night. There were also a few players who turned up without entering by email – these may be refused at future events. The deadline for entries is there for a good reason and helps reduce the workload.**

**It also helps if entries include the players full name, age, school or club and their level of ability**

**Next event will be the Ayrshire Chess Tour event on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2026 at Greenwood Academy again.**

**Entry forms and details will be sent out shortly and are also available on the Ayrshire Chess Association website [www.ayrshirechess.co.uk](http://www.ayrshirechess.co.uk)**