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## 21<sup>st</sup> MERDEKA CHESS FESTIVAL 2026 – SCHEDULE

### FIDE Open Aid Project

The venue for all events this year will be KL Gateway Mall, Lot L3.01 & 02, No: 2 Jalan Kerinchi, Kampung Kerinchi, 59200 Kuala Lumpur, Wilayah Persekutuan, MALAYSIA

Event 1	28 <sup>th</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup> Aug (Fri & Sat)	SMS DEEN MERDEKA OPEN RAPID TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP
Event 2	28 <sup>th</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup> Aug (Fri & Sat)	DATO' TAN CHIN NAM MERDEKA JUNIOR (UNDER-12) TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP
Event 3	29 <sup>th</sup> Aug (Sat)	MERDEKA BLITZ CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP
Event 4	30 <sup>th</sup> Aug (Sun)	DATO' TAN CHIN NAM AGE-GROUP CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP (UNDER 06/08/10/12/14/16)
Event 5	31 <sup>st</sup> Aug – 06 <sup>th</sup> Sep (Mon – Sun)	21 <sup>st</sup> DATO ARTHUR TAN MERDEKA OPEN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP
Event 6		DANIEL YONG CHEN-I MEMORIAL MERDEKA CHESS CHALLENGE
Event 7		DATO' TAN CHIN NAM SENIORS' OPEN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP
Event 8	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sep (Thu)	DATO' TAN CHIN NAM MERDEKA DAY AGE GROUP (OPEN, UNDER 8, 10, 12, 14 & 18)
Event 9	06 <sup>th</sup> Sep (Sun)	FESTIVAL BLITZ CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

Train: LRT Kelana Jaya Line-(KJ19) KL Gateway, Universiti



ONLINE REGISTRATION CODE



<http://register-datchesscentre.com/>

**10% Discount ONLY for Event 5, 6 & 7**  
**For Paid Entries before 1<sup>st</sup> August 2026**



## EVENT 1

# SMS DEEN MERDEKA OPEN RAPID TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

**DUE TO SPACE CONSTRAINTS ONLY THE FIRST 50 PAID TEAMS WILL BE ACCEPTED!!**

The DAT Chess Centre will organize the SMS Deen Merdeka Rapid Open Team Chess Championship 2026 in KL Gateway Mall in Lot L3.01 & 02, 2, Jalan Kerinchi, Kampung Kerinchi, 59200 Kuala Lumpur, Wilayah Persekutuan  
A team will consist of 4 players. The time control is 20 mins + 5 seconds to finish.

Date	Program	Time	
28th Aug (Fri)	Team Manager's Meeting	14:30	
	Round 1	14:45 - 15:45	
	Round 2	16:00 - 17:00	
	Round 3	17:15 - 18:15	
	Round 4	18:30 - 19:30	
29th Aug (Sat)	Round 5	09:00 - 10:00	
	Round 6	10:15 - 11:15	
	Round 7	11:30 - 12:30	
	Lunch		
	Round 8	13:30 - 14:30	
	Round 9	14:45 - 15:45	
	Prize Giving	16:30	
	<b>Merdeka Blitz</b>	<b>18:00</b>	
28 <sup>th</sup> - 29 <sup>th</sup> Aug (Fri & Sat)	DATO' TAN CHIN NAM MERDEKA JUNIOR (UNDER 12) TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP		
30 <sup>th</sup> Aug (Sun)	DATO' TAN CHIN NAM AGE-GROUP CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP (6,8,10,12,14 & 16)	0900 - 18:00	
31 <sup>st</sup> Aug (Arrival) - 07 <sup>th</sup> Sep (Departure)	21 <sup>st</sup> DATO ARTHUR TAN MERDEKA OPEN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP DATO TAN CHIN NAM SENIORS INTERNATIONAL OPEN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP DANIEL YONG CHEN-I MEMORIAL MERDEKA CHESS CHALLENGE		

OPEN SECTION - (MERDEKA Challenge Trophy)			
Champion:	Challenge Trophy + 4 Medals + RM 3,000	Best Merdeka Team	Trophy + Medal + RM 2,000
Second:	4 Medals + RM 2,000	2 Merdeka Team	RM 1,500
Third:	4 Medals + RM 1,000	3 Merdeka Team	RM 1,200
Fourth:	RM 750	*# Best State Team:	Trophy + Medal + RM 1,000
Fifth	RM 500	*Best Jr Team (U 16)	4 Gold Medals + RM 500
Sixth - Tenth	RM 400	*Best Ladies Team	4 Gold Medals + RM 500
Best Board Prizes	Medals for Board 1 - 4 (Gold / Silver & Bronze)		
*Best Government / *IPT / *School (+ DATCC Secondary School Trophy) / *Family / *Veteran (>50) Team:			RM 400 each
* Subject to at least 3 teams playing & 50 % result. * Government Team must be certified by the department / * School Team must be certified by the school & Name must be reflected in the team's name * IPT must be certified by IPT			# Malaysian Citizens - Born, Residing, Schooling or Working in the State and MCF State Registration

Entry Fee - OPEN - RM 450	Entry Fee - JUNIOR (Under 16) - 350
Bank Account: DAT Chess Centre - Maybank Current A/C No: 5145 9822 0396, Jalan Bunus, 50100 K L, Merdeka - SWIFT: MBBEMYKL	

# Conditions for Participation

The average rating of the players in a team should not exceed 2250.

Example: Player A: 2500 - Player B: 2300 - Player C: 2200 - Player D: 2000 =  $9000 \div 4 = 2250$

Foreign Unrated players (in all 3 types of ratings) will be considered as 2000 and Local players (in all 3 types of ratings) as 1800 for calculation purposes. Sequence of Type of Ratings will be as follows:

- 1) FIDE Rapid Rtg, followed by 2) FIDE Standard Rtg, followed by 3) FIDE Blitz Rtg (FIDE August 2026 Rating List)

## SMS DEEN MERDEKA OPEN RAPID TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

Players should be registered as per board order upon submission. Changes in board order, change of names etc. will be surcharged @ RM 50 per change. Entry forms will not be accepted without the entry fees.

<b>CLOSING DATE: 21<sup>st</sup> AUGUST 2026 BY 12:00 PM.</b>			
<b>REGISTRATION OF ENTRIES AFTER THIS DATE WILL BE SURCHARGED RM 100</b>			
<b>CHANGE OF BOARD ORDER, CHANGE OF NAMES ETC. WILL BE SURCHARGED RM 50 PER CHANGE</b>			
<b>REGISTRATION WITHOUT NAMES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED</b>			
TEAM NAME			
SPECIAL CATEGORY (E.g. - IPT, School, U 16, etc.)			
<b>PLAYERS (Full Name)</b> Players should be registered as per board order upon submission. Changes in board order, change of names etc. will be surcharged @ RM 50 per change.	BOARD 1		FIDE Rating: (R/S/B) * = FIDE ID:
	BOARD 2		FIDE Rating: (R/S/B) * = FIDE ID:
	BOARD 3		FIDE Rating: (R/S/B) * = FIDE ID:
	BOARD 4		FIDE Rating: (R/S/B) * = FIDE ID:
Team Captain Name			
ADDRESS			
TELEPHONE:		MOBILE:	
EMAIL			

\* Rapid / Standard / Blitz = Cross Out Rating that is not applicable

<b>Entry Fee – OPEN – RM 450</b>	<b>Entry Fee - JUNIOR (Under 16) - 350</b>
Bank Account: DAT Chess Centre - Maybank Current A/C No: 5145 9822 0396, Jalan Bonus, 50100 K L, Merdeka - SWIFT: MBBEMYKL	

WE AGREE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS CHAMPIONSHIP AND TO ABIDE BY ITS RULES AND REGULATIONS.

NAME OF CAPTAIN/MANAGER & SIGNATURE: -----

**CROSSED CHEQUE TO BE MADE PAYABLE TO: DAT CHESS CENTRE**

## DAT CHESS CENTRE - Official Receipt - Being payment for SMS DEEN MERDEKA OPEN RAPID TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

ONCE REGISTERED NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE

Received From (Team Name)			
Entry Fee – OPEN – RM 450		Entry Fee - JUNIOR (Under 16) – RM 350	

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Cash / Cheque No:

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DAT CHESS CENTRE

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Date

Endorsed By:



**EVENT 2**

**DATO' TAN CHIN NAM MERDEKA RAPID TEAM JUNIOR (UNDER-12) CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP**

**DUE TO SPACE CONSTRAINTS ONLY THE FIRST 50 PAID TEAMS WILL BE ACCEPTED!!**

DAT Chess Centre will organize the Dato' Tan Chin Nam Merdeka Rapid Open Team Chess Championship (Under-12) in KL Gateway Mall in Lot L3.01 & 02, 2, Jalan Kerinchi, Kampung Kerinchi, 59200 Kuala Lumpur, Wilayah Persekutuan. A team will consist of 4 players. The time control is 20 mins + 5 seconds to finish.

Date	Program	Time
28 <sup>th</sup> Aug (Fri)	Team Manager's Meeting	14:30
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	Round 3	17:15 - 18:15
	Round 4	18:30 - 19:30
29 <sup>th</sup> Aug (Sat)	Round 5	09:00 - 10:00
	Round 6	10:15 - 11:15
	Round 7	11:30 - 12:30
	Lunch	
	Round 8	13:30 - 14:30
	Round 9	14:45 - 15:45
	Prize Giving	16:30
	<b>Merdeka Blitz</b>	<b>18:00</b>
28 <sup>th</sup> - 29 <sup>th</sup> Aug (Fri & Sat)	SMS Deen MERDEKA OPEN RAPID TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2026	
30 <sup>th</sup> Aug (Sun)	DATO' TAN CHIN NAM AGE-GROUP CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP (6,8,10,12,14&16)	0900 - 18:00
31 <sup>st</sup> Aug - Mon (Arrival)	21 <sup>st</sup> DATO' ARTHUR TAN MERDEKAN OPEN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP	
-	DATO TAN CHIN NAM SENIORS INTERNATIONAL OPEN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP	
07 <sup>th</sup> Sep (Departure)	DANIEL YONG CHEN-I MEMORIAL MERDEKA CHESS CHALLENGE	

**EVENT 2 - DATO' TAN CHIN NAM MERDEKA RAPID TEAM JUNIOR (UNDER-12) CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP**

**5<sup>th</sup> Medal Given as token to Coach, Teacher or Accompanying Parent!! - ONLY 4 PLAYERS TO BE REGISTERED**

Champion:	Challenge Trophy + 5 Medals + RM 2,000	Best Board Prizes	Medal for Board 1 - 4 (G, S & B)
Second:	5 Medals + RM 1,500	*Best Girls Team	5 Gold Medals + RM 500
Third:	5 Medals + RM 1,000	*2 <sup>nd</sup> Best Girls Team	5 Gold Medals + RM 400
Fourth:	5 Medals + RM 750	*3 <sup>rd</sup> Best Girls Team	5 Gold Medals + RM 300
Fifth	5 Medals + RM 500	*Best Private School	5 Gold Medals + RM 300
Sixth - Tenth	X 4 Medals	*Best Govt School	5 Gold Medals + RM 300

**Special Medals x 4 & Certificates for Best All U6, U8, U10 Teams !!**

Best State	Challenge Trophy + 5 Medals + RM 1,000	*Family	4 Gold Medals = RM 300
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**\*Best School will be awarded the IGB JUNIOR CHALLENGE TROPHY**

\* Subject to at least 3 teams playing & 50 % result. \* School Team must be certified by the school.

Entry Fee - JUNIOR (Under 12) - RM 350

Bank Account: DAT Chess Centre - Maybank Current A/C No: 5145 9822 0396,  
Jalan Bunus, 50100 K L, Merdeka - SWIFT : MBBEMYKL

## EVENT 2

### DATO TAN CHIN NAM MERDEKA RAPID TEAM JUNIOR (UNDER-12) CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

Players should be registered as per board order upon submission. Changes in board order, change of names etc. will be surcharged @ RM 50 per change. Entries will not be accepted without the entry fees.

**CLOSING DATE: 21<sup>st</sup> AUGUST 2026 BY 12:00 PM.**

**ENTRIES AFTER THIS WILL BE SURCHARGED RM 100**

**CHANGE OF BOARD ORDER, CHANGE OF NAMES ETC. WILL BE SURCHARGED RM 50 PER CHANGE**

**REGISTRATION WITHOUT NAMES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED**

TEAM NAME			
SPECIAL CATEGORY (E.g. – School, Family, Girls)			
<b>PLAYERS (Full Name)</b> Players should be registered as per board order upon submission. Changes in board order, change of names etc. will be surcharged @ RM 50 per change.	BOARD 1		FIDE Rating: (R/S/B) * = FIDE ID:
	BOARD 2		FIDE Rating: (R/S/B) * = FIDE ID:
	BOARD 3		FIDE Rating: (R/S/B) * = FIDE ID:
	BOARD 4		FIDE Rating: (R/S/B) * = FIDE ID:
Team Captain Name:			
ADDRESS			
TELEPHONE:		MOBILE:	
EMAIL			

\* Rapid / Standard / Blitz = Cross Out Rating that is not applicable

Bank Account: DAT Chess Centre - Maybank Current A/C No: 5145 9822 0396,  
Jalan Bunus, 50100 K L, Merdeka - SWIFT: MBBEMYKL

ONCE REGISTERED NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE

WE AGREE TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS CHAMPIONSHIP AND TO ABIDE BY ITS RULES AND REGULATIONS.

NAME OF CAPTAIN/MANAGER & SIGNATURE: .....

**CROSSED CHEQUE TO BE MADE PAYABLE TO: DAT CHESS CENTRE**

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<b>DAT CHESS CENTRE - Official Receipt - Being payment for</b>	
<b>DATO' TAN CHIN NAM MERDEKA RAPID TEAM JUNIOR (UNDER-12) CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP</b>	
Received From (Team Name)	
Entry Fee - JUNIOR (Under 12) – RM 350	

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Cash / Cheque No:

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DAT CHESS CENTRE

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Date



# EVENT 3

## Merdeka Chess Festival

### MERDEKA BLITZ 2026



Date: 29 <sup>th</sup> August 2026 (Saturday)	Venue: KL Gateway
Format: 7-9 Rounds Swiss	Time: 18:00
Time Control: <b>3 min + 2 sec (increment)</b>	Entrance Fee: <b>RM 60</b>

Name	
Nationality	
FIDE ID	
FIDE Blitz Rating	
FIDE Rapid Rating	
FIDE Standard Rating	

PRIZES			
1	500	7 - 8	100
2	300	9	90
3	250	10 - 11	80
4	200	12 - 16	60
5 - 6	150	17 - 20	50



**RECEIPT FOR MERDEKA BLITZ 2026**

Received From: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

Received As Above: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature



**EVENT 4**  
**DATO TAN CHIN NAM OPEN RAPID AGE-GROUP CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP**

THE DAT CHESS CENTRE WILL ORGANIZE THIS EVENT ON: 30<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2026 (SUN)

**DUE TO SPACE CONSTRAINT ONLY THE FIRST 200 ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED**

**TOURNAMENT: 6 Age Groups (Prizes will be Given for Boys & Girls)**  
**6 rounds SWISS, Time Control: 20 minutes + 5 seconds increment to finish**  
**ALL PLAYERS MUST PLAY IN THEIR OWN AGE GROUPS!!**

U-06	Date of Birth	On or after 2020	U-12	Date of Birth	On or after 2014
U-08	Date of Birth	On or after 2018	U-14	Date of Birth	On or after 2012
U-10	Date of Birth	On or after 2016	U-16	Date of Birth	On or after 2010

**Participants are requested to bring along their I/C or B/C for verification.**

DATE	TIME	PROGRAMME
30 <sup>th</sup> AUG 2026 (Sun)	09:00 – 12:00	Round 1 - 3
	<b>12:00 – 13:30</b>	<b>Lunch-Time Chess Lecture</b>
	13:30 – 16:30	Round 4 - 6
	17:00	Prize Giving

**ENTRY FEES: RM 70.00 for all Age Groups. (Registration after closing date on 21<sup>st</sup> AUGUST 2026 shall be RM140.00). ENTRIES AFTER 21<sup>st</sup> AUG 2026 WILL BE ACCEPTED ONLY AT THE DISCRETION OF THE ORGANIZERS.**

CATEGORY	PRIZES	BOYS (15 Medals)	GIRLS (10 MEDALS)
All Categories	Champion	Gold Medal	Gold Medal
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Silver Medal	Silver Medal
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bronze Medal	Bronze Medal
	4 <sup>th</sup>	Medal	Medal
	5 <sup>th</sup>	Medal	Medal
	6 <sup>th</sup>	Medal	Medal
	7 <sup>th</sup>	Medal	Medal
	8 <sup>th</sup>	Medal	Medal
	9 <sup>th</sup>	Medal	Medal
	10 <sup>th</sup>	Medal	Medal
	11 <sup>th</sup>	Medal	
	12 <sup>th</sup>	Medal	
	13 <sup>th</sup>	Medal	
	14 <sup>th</sup>	Medal	
	15 <sup>th</sup>	Medal	

**Prize Winners in all Age Groups will also receive Certificates of Achievement.**

**Certificate of Participation will be given to all players**

**Bank Account: DAT Chess Centre - Maybank Current A/C No: 5145 9822 0396**  
**Jalan Bonus, 50100 K L, Merdeka - SWIFT : MBBEMYKL**

**DATO' TAN CHIN NAM  
OPEN RAPID AGE-GROUP CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP**

**ENTRY FORM**

**(CLOSING DATE: 21<sup>ST</sup> AUG 2026)**

ENTRY FEE: RM 70.00 – LATE ENTRY (AFTER 21 AUG 2026) = RM 140.00)

**PLEASE WRITE CLEARLY IN BLOCK LETTERS**

NAME:

(Follow I/C)

RATING: FIDE ID (if available): ↓  FIDE RATING (if available): ↓

CATEGORY Please tick	MALE	<input type="checkbox"/>	AGE GROUP	UNDER -
	FEMALE	<input type="checkbox"/>		

I.C NO / . :

B.C NO.

AGE: ----- DATE OF BIRTH: -----

ADDRESS: -----

----- POSTCODE: -----

TEL.NO: ----- E-MAIL: -----

SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: -----

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DAT Chess Centre – Official Receipt

**DATO' TAN CHIN NAM  
OPEN RAPID AGE-GROUP CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP**

ONCE REGISTERED NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE

**Bank Account: DAT Chess Centre - Maybank Current A/C No: 5145 9822 0396,  
Jalan Bunus, 50100 K L, Merdeka - SWIFT: MBBEMYKL**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: -----

Received by: ----- Date: -----



**EVENT 5**  
**21<sup>st</sup> DATO ARTHUR TAN MERDEKA OPEN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2026**

This 9 Round individual tournament is open to all players. FIDE rules and regulations will apply. The tournament will be FIDE rated. The Swiss Manager Program will be used for pairings. The games will be played according to the schedule below. Time Control is 90 minutes + 30 seconds increment from move 1. All mobile phones & electronic devices are banned in the tournament hall. **PLAYERS WITHOUT A FIDE ID. NO WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED!**

All officials & players should be smartly attired in the playing hall. The Organizer reserves the right to reject entries.

28 <sup>th</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup> AUG (Fri & Sat)	SMS DEEN MERDEKA RAPID TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2026 DATO' TAN CHIN NAM MERDEKA RAPID JUNIOR (U-12) TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2026
30 <sup>th</sup> AUG (Sun)	DATO' TAN CHIN NAM AGE-GROUP CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2026

**THE SCHEDULE – 21<sup>st</sup> DATO ARTHUR TAN MERDEKA OPEN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP**

31 <sup>st</sup> AUG (Mon)	Arrival Players Meeting Round 1	1400 1500
01 <sup>st</sup> SEP (Tue)	Round 2 & Round 3	09:00 & 15:00
02 <sup>nd</sup> Sep (Wed)	Round 4 & Round 5	09:00 & 15:00
03 <sup>rd</sup> Sep (Thu)	<b>FREE DAY – DATO TAN CHIN NAM OPEN RAPID &amp; AGE GROUP CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP</b>	09:00 – 18:00
04 <sup>th</sup> Sep (Fri)	Round 6	15:00
05 Sep (Sat)	Round 7 & Round 8	09:00 & 1500
06 <sup>th</sup> Sep (Sun)	Round 9 Festival Blitz Prize Giving	09:00 14:00 17:00
07 <sup>th</sup> Sep (Mon)	Departure	

Prizes & Entry Fees in US \$ Open Section (FIXED EXCHANGE RATE: US \$ 1 = RM 4.00)								Merdekans		Special Prizes	
1	3,000	6	300	11	200	16	150	1	450	Best Lady	200
2	2,000	7	300	12	200	17	150	2	350	2 Best Lady	150
3	1,000	8	250	13	200	18	150	3	250	Best Malaysian Lady	100
4	700	9	250	14	200	19	150	4	200	Best U 16	200
5	500	10	250	15	200	20	150	5	100	Best U 12	200

Medals & certificates will be given to winners. Champion's name will be engraved on the Dato' Arthur Challenge Trophy.

Participants are entitled to only one prize (the larger). Where prizes are the same value, the Open Section will take precedence over the Merdekan/Special Prizes. The US\$ 1.00 = RM 4.00

**ENTRY FEES IN US\$: (FOR PURPOSES OF CALCULATION US\$ 1 = RM 4.00. WE WILL RECEIVE & PAY BASED ON THIS RATE (RM Round Up Figure))**

2400 - 2499	US\$ 125 (RM 500)	2200 - 2299	US\$ 175 (RM 700)	Below 1999	US\$ 225 (RM 900)
2300 - 2399	US\$ 150 (RM 600)	2000 - 2199	US\$ 200 (RM 800)	unrated	US\$ 275 (RM 1100)
Bank Account: DAT CHESS CENTRE - Maybank Current Account: 5145 9822 0396					
Jalan Bunus, 50100 Kuala Lumpur, Merdeka - SWIFT: MBBEMYKL					

Accommodation: All players are required to budget for their own board and lodging as well as transportation needs. First 10 GMs to register will be provided accommodation on a twin-sharing basis. Conditions for Titled Players: No tournament entry fee for GMs, IMs, WGMs, WIMs and players rated above 2500 on the Aug 2026 FIDE Rating List. Room rates are US \$ 65 per room per day. **Tournament Entry Fees: In US \$ - There will be 10 % discount if entry fees are paid on or before 1<sup>st</sup> Aug 2026.** Tournament Entry Fees must be paid before the **Closing date on: 21 Aug 2026.** Entries after this date will be charged double. Paid Entry Fees will not be refunded.

**21<sup>ST</sup> DATO ARTHUR TAN MERDEKA OPEN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2026**

Name*				Date of Birth*			Sex*	
Country*			FIDE ID*			FIDE Rating*		
Address								
Tel No*				Email*				

Endorsed By



# DAT CHESS CENTRE (DATCC)

## EVENT 6 - DANIEL YONG CHEN-I MEMORIAL - MERDEKA CHESS CHALLENGE 2026

This 9 Round individual tournament is open to all players rated below FIDE Rtg 2000 (Aug 2026). **Any player who has crossed the 2000 Rating Barrier at any time after 2025 will not be allowed to play in this section.** FIDE rules and regulations will apply. The tournament will be FIDE rated. The Swiss Manager Program will be used for pairings. The games will be played according to the schedule below. Time Control is 90 minutes + 30 seconds increment from move 1. All mobile phones & electronic devices are banned in the tournament hall. **PLAYERS WITHOUT A FIDE ID. NO WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

All officials & players should be smartly attired in the playing hall. The Organizer reserves the right to reject entries.

28 <sup>th</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup> August (Fri & Sat)	SMS DEEN MERDEKA RAPID TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2026 DATO' TAN CHIN NAM MERDEKA RAPID JUNIOR (U-12) TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2026
30 <sup>th</sup> Aug (Sun)	DATO' TAN CHIN NAM AGE-GROUP CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP
DANIEL YONG CHEN-I – MEMORIAL MERDEKA CHESS CHALLENGE 2026	
31 <sup>st</sup> Aug (Mon)	Arrival Players Meeting Round 1
1 <sup>st</sup> Sep (Tue)	Round 2 & Round 3
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sep (Wed)	Round 4 & Round 5
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sep (Thu)	Free Day – Dato' Tan Chin Nam Merdeka Day Rapid Open & Age Group
4 <sup>th</sup> Sep (Fri)	Round 6
5 <sup>th</sup> Sep (Sat)	Round 7 & Round 8
6 <sup>th</sup> Sep (Sun)	Round 9 Festival Blitz Prize Giving
7 <sup>th</sup> Sep (Mon)	Departure

Prizes: Open Section All cash prizes in RM		FIDE Rating Prizes (Malaysian citizens only)		
		1800 - 1600	1599 - 1400	Unrated
1	2,500 + Challenge Trophy	800	600	300
2	2,000	500	400	200
3	1,500	300	200	100
4	800	150	100	50
5	600	Participants are entitled to only one prize (the larger). Where prizes are the same value, the Open Prizes will take precedence over the Special Prizes.		
6 - 7	300			
8 - 10	200			
		All prize winners will get medals & certificates		
<b>FIDE Rtg Below 2000</b>		<b>RM 250</b>	<b>FIDE Unrated</b>	<b>RM 300</b>
Bank Account: DAT CHESS CENTRE - Maybank Current Account: 5145 9822 0396				
Jalan Bonus, 50100 Kuala Lumpur, Merdeka - SWIFT: MBBEMYKL				

All players are required to budget for their own board and lodging as well as transportation needs. Room rates are US\$ 65 per room per day.

**Tournament Entry Fees: In RM - There will be 10 % discount if entry fees are paid on or before 1<sup>st</sup> Aug 2026.** Tournament Entry Fees must be paid before the **Closing date on: 21<sup>st</sup> Aug 2026.** Entries after this date will be charged double.

DANIEL YONG CHEN-I MEMORIAL - MERDEKA CHESS CHALLENGE 2026				
ONCE PAID NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE				
Name*			Date of Birth*	Sex
Country*	FIDE ID*	FIDE Rating*		
Address				
Tel No	Email*			



**EVENT 7 - DATO TAN CHIN NAM SENIORS OPEN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2026**

This 9 Round individual tournament is open to all players 50 years and above (Date of Birth 1976 and women 45 years (DOB 1981). FIDE rules and regulations will apply. The tournament will be FIDE rated. The Swiss Manager Program will be used for pairings. The games will be played according to the schedule below. Time Control is 90 minutes + 30 seconds increment from move 1. All mobile phones & electronic devices are banned in the tournament hall. **PLAYERS WITHOUT A FIDE ID. NO WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED!** All officials & players should be smartly attired in the playing hall. The Organizer reserves the right to reject entries. Venue: KL Gateway, KL. **IF TOTAL ENTRIES IS LESS THAN 20 PLAYERS, THAN THE SENIORS WILL BE INCORPORATED WITH THE MAIN MERDEKA OPEN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP.**

28 <sup>th</sup> & 29 <sup>th</sup> AUG (Fri & Sat)	SMS DEEN MERDEKA RAPID TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2026 DATO' TAN CHIN NAM MERDEKA RAPID JUNIOR (U-12) TEAM CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2026
30 <sup>th</sup> AUG (Sun)	DATO' TAN CHIN NAM AGE-GROUP CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 2026

**THE SCHEDULE – DATO TAN CHIN NAM SENIORS OPEN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP**

31 <sup>st</sup> AUG (Mon)	Arrival Players Meeting Round 1	1400 1500
01 <sup>st</sup> SEP (Tue)	Round 2 & Round 3	09:00 & 15:00
02 <sup>nd</sup> Sep (Wed)	Round 4 & Round 5	09:00 & 15:00
03 <sup>rd</sup> Sep (Thu)	<b>FREE DAY – DATO TAN CHIN NAM OPEN RAPID &amp; AGE GROUP CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP</b>	09:00 – 18:00
04 <sup>th</sup> Sep (Fri)	Round 6	<b>15:00</b>
05 Sep (Sat)	Round 7 & Round 8	09:00 & 1500
06 <sup>th</sup> Sep (Sun)	Round 9 Festival Blitz Prize Giving	09:00 14:00 17:00
07 <sup>th</sup> Sep (Mon)	Departure	

Prizes: Seniors Open Section		Seniors Age Group Category (Special) Prizes		
All prizes are in Ringgit Merdeka {RM}		Seniors 65 – 74 years	Above 75 years	Best Malaysian
1 <sup>st</sup>	2,000 + Challenge Trophy	1,000	1,000	1,000
2 <sup>nd</sup>	1,500	800	800	800
3 <sup>rd</sup>	1,000			500
4 <sup>th</sup>	800	Participants are entitled to only one prize (the larger). Where prizes are the same value, the Open Prizes will take precedence over the Special Prizes. All prize winners will get medals & certificates		
5 <sup>th</sup>	500			

FREE ENTRY FOR PLAYERS ABOVE 2301 – ENTRY FEES IN RM							
<b>FIDE Rtg 2201-2300</b>	200	<b>FIDE Rtg 2101-2200</b>	250	<b>FIDE 1800-2100</b>	300	<b>Below 1799</b>	350
Bank Account: DAT CHESS CENTRE - Maybank Current Account: 5145 9822 0396 Jalan Bunus, 50100 Kuala Lumpur, Merdeka - SWIFT: MBBEMYKL							

Accommodation: All players are required to budget for their own board and lodging as well as transportation needs. First 10 GMs to register will be provided accommodation on a twin-sharing basis. Conditions for Titled Players: No tournament entry fee for GMs, IMs, WGMs, WIMs and players rated above 2500 on the Aug 2026 FIDE Rating List. Room rates are US \$ 65 per room per day. **Tournament Entry Fees: In US \$ - There will be 10 % discount if entry fees are paid on or before 1<sup>st</sup> Aug 2026.** Tournament Entry Fees must be paid before the **Closing date on: 21 Aug 2026. Entries after this date will be charged double.** Paid Entry Fees will not be refunded.

**DATO TAN CHIN NAM SENIORS' OPEN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**IF TOTAL ENTRIES IS LESS THAN 20 PLAYERS, THAN THE SENIORS WILL BE INCORPORATED WITH THE MAIN MERDEKA OPEN CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP. ONCE REGISTERED, NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE**

Name*				Date of Birth*		Sex*	
Country*		FIDE ID*		FIDE Rating*			
Address							
Tel No*				Email*			



**EVENT 8**  
**DATO' TAN CHIN NAM MERDEKA DAY RAPID AGE GROUP**  
**(OPEN, UNDER 8, 10, 12, 14 & 18) EVENT**

The DATCC will organize the DATO' TAN CHIN NAM MERDEKA DAY AGE GROUP RAPID  
**OPEN, UNDER 8, 10, 12, 14 & 18 Championship 2026**

RM 2,000 in Cash Prizes! Hampers! Medals! Other Prizes in Kind!

Certificates of Participation for all & Certificates of Achievement for Winners

Dates	Time
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sep (Thursday)	0900 – 15:00 (6 or 7 Rounds Depending on Response) 15 Mins + 5 Sec
Only the First 200 entries will be accepted.	

PRIZES	OPEN	PRIZES	Age Group (8,10,12,14 & 18)
Champion	500 + Medal + Cert	Champion	Gold Medal + Cert
Second	400+ Medal + Cert	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Silver Medal + Cert
Third	300+ Medal + Cert	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bronze Medal + Cert
Fourth	200+ Medal + Cert	4 <sup>th</sup>	Medal + Cert
Fifth	100+ Medal + Cert	5 <sup>th</sup>	Medal + Cert
Sixth - Tenth	50+ Medal + Cert	6 <sup>th</sup>	Medal + Cert
Best Girl	Medal + Cert	7 <sup>th</sup>	Medal + Cert
2 <sup>nd</sup> Best Girl	Medal + Cert	8 <sup>th</sup>	Medal + Cert
		9 <sup>th</sup>	Medal + Cert
		10 <sup>th</sup>	Medal + Cert
		Best Girl	Gold Medal + Cert
		2 <sup>nd</sup> Best Girl	Silver Medal + Cert
		3 <sup>rd</sup> Best Girl	Bronze Medal + Cert

TIME CONTROL – 15 mins + 5 seconds

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**Jalan Bunus, 50100 KL, Merdeka - SWIFT: MBBEMYKL**

<b>ENTRY FEE:</b>	<b>OPEN - RM 70</b>	<b>AGE GROUP – RM 60</b>
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**CLOSING DATE: 01 September 2026**

**ENTRIES AFTER CLOSING DATE / WALK-IN ENTRIES WILL BE CHARGED DOUBLE**

**DATO' TAN CHIN NAM MERDEKA DAY INDIVIDUAL RAPID CHESS**  
**(OPEN & AGE GROUP Under 8,10,12,14,18)**  
**ONCE REGISTERED NO REFUNDS WILL BE MADE**

Name*		Date of Birth*		Sex	
Country*	FIDE ID*	FIDE Rating*		Nat Rating	
Address					
Tel No	Email				

Official Receipt – DATO' TAN CHIN NAM MERDEKA DAY INDIVIDUAL RAPID CHESS (OPEN/ AGE GROUP UNDER 8, 10,  
12, 14 & 18

Received RM: \_\_\_\_\_ From: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

	<b>EVENT 9</b> <b>Merdeka Chess Festival</b> <b>FESTIVAL BLITZ 2026</b>	
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Date: 06<sup>th</sup> September 2026  
 Format: 7-9 Rounds Swiss  
 Time Control: **3 min + 2 sec (increment)**

Venue: KL Gateway Mall  
 Time: 14:00 (2:00pm)  
 Entrance Fee: **RM 60**

Name	
Nationality	
FIDE ID	
FIDE Blitz Rating	
FIDE Rapid Rating	
FIDE Standard Rating	

PRIZES			
1	500	7 - 8	100
2	300	9	90
3	250	10 - 11	80
4	200	12 - 16	60
5 - 6	150	17 - 20	50



**DAT CHESS CENTRE (DATCC)**



RECEIPT FOR FESTIVAL BLITZ 2026

Received From: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature