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Best Women Chess Player 2012

The 2012 Best Women Player was awarded to GM Judit Polgar from Hungary. The selection was not only based on the rating lists of 2012, but also because of her general dominance of the world rankings for the past quarter century.



Judit Polgar

“Rumbo a la Gran Maestra”

Tournament Competitions from April 20th to June 23rd

After a successful 6 months online training with Grandmasters, a group of 10 talented Latin American young women (from Colombia, Venezuela, Mexico, Ecuador, Nicaragua, Chile, Paraguay, Argentina, Brazil, and Peru) as part of the Project went on to a tournament tour. The WOM organized the tour in cooperation with their National Federations and with various organizers of Opens and Closed International Tournaments in Europe and America. The girls achieved excellent results.

List of tournaments:

Capablanca In Memorial - Cuba

Guillermi Garcia - Cuba

Marenna di Grosseto - Italy

Gallipoli - Italy

Ortisei Server - Italy

Forni di Sopra - Italy

Best Achievements:

Tairu Rovira – Venezuela: WIM Title

Ayelen Martinez – Argentina: WIM Title

Gabriela Vargas – Paraguay: WIM Norm

Abigail Romero – Ecuador: WIM Norm

Also it is worth mentioning that most of the participants of the project gained significant amount of rating points. One of them gained more than 100 points in this tour alone! The experience and motivation the participants received after this tournament tour is invaluable.



Martha Fierro (WOM secretary) with the members of the Project

Castle Camp Scholarship

Atlanta, June 16 - 23

For the 4th consecutive year, the Castle Camp in cooperation with the WOM awarded a full scholarship (lodging, accommodation and one week training sessions with Grandmasters), followed by a strong open tournament for a young talented girl.

The talented girl selected was Adriana Pachon from Colombia.



Analysis with GM John Fedorowicz



Adriana Pachon

Online FIDE Arbiter Seminar

June 25 - 30, 2013

The seminar had 19 female participants from 12 different countries: Ecuador, Nicaragua, Haiti, Colombia, Venezuela, Mexico, Uruguay, Costa Rica, Argentina, Cuba, Peru, Ecuador and Brazil. 5 of them successfully passed the test and achieved a FIDE Arbiter norm.

NAME	FED	NOTE
Sabrina de San Vicente	Uruguay	FA norm
Olymar Pereira Núñez	Venezuela	FA norm
Mayra Lorena López Rivera	México	FA norm
Amanda Patricia Sarmiento Romero	Colombia	FA norm
Ana Marcela Peña Nieto	Colombia	FA norm

Online International Organizer Seminar in cooperation with the Events' Commission

July 15 – 18, 2013

21 Participants from different countries participated, and 6 women achieved IO norms

1	Sarai	Sanchez	VEN	3900754
2	Martha	Fierro	ECU	3600270
3	Rocio	Vasquez	ECU	
4	Laura Delgado	Fabela	MEX	
5	Gloria	Gallegos	MEX	5112737
6	Gabriela	Vargas	PAR	3700860

FIDE Trainers' Seminar

August 13 – 15, 2013 in Chicago and Online

18 participants and 3 women became certified Instructors

Alice Holt Development Instructor

Rachel Levin Development Instructor

Susan Berger Development Instructor

Women's European Championship 2013

For the first time in history, at this year's European championship all (10) arbiters were women. The chief TD was Sava Stoisavljevic of Serbia.