CIMB Junior Scrabble Circuit 2010 Johor

The CIMB Junior Scrabble Circuit Johor Zone was held in Maktab Sultan Abu Bakar, Jalan Sungai Chat, Johor Bahru on 13th March 2010 with 50 secondary school students from 8 different schools taking part in the one-day event.

Despite several pull-outs in the middle of the tournament, that did not stop the tournament to continue in smooth operation. In the beginning, the experience factor separated the players into two different divisions. The English College boys including M. Harendraraj, Benjamin Choo, and Tan Seah Whye became immediate early favourites to wrest the championship title.

After 4 non-repeat games, Tan Seah Whye and Benjamin Choo was dominating Table 1 with 4 points each. The latter lost to the former in Game 5 and Game 6 putting him to Table 3. In the final KOTH game, M. Harendraraj was drawn to play Tan Seah Whye who was sitting comfortably in Table 1. With only one hurdle left, Tan did not let the tournament jitters influence his momentum to romp another victory, thus winning the tournament by being the only player who was unbeatable!

Pang Xynna from SMK Infant Jesus Convent was the only flower among the thorns in the top ten. She finished 2^{nd} with 6 wins and +242 spread. She was tailed by 8 other 5-pointers who complete the top ten list. The top ten players will qualify automatically for the CIMB National Interschool Championship in June.

Rank	Player	School	Wins	Margin
1	Tan Seah Whye	Maktab Sultan Abu Bakar	7	910
2	Pang Xynna	SMK Infant Jesus Convent	6	242
3	Benjamin Choo	Maktab Sultan Abu Bakar	5	630
4	Harendraraj Mohanraj	Maktab Sultan Abu Bakar	5	553
5	Shiidheshwar Ravichandran	SMK Sultan Ismail	5	506
6	Beh Aaron	Maktab Sultan Abu Bakar	5	450
7	Colin Low Zhi Yong	Maktab Sultan Abu Bakar	5	239
8	Tan Wen Long	SMK Taman Molek	5	114
9	Matthew Sharmanpeter	SMK Sultan Ismail	5	107
10	Kuhan Anandan	SMK Sultan Ismail	5	48

A big token of gratitude to Maktab Sultan Abu Bakar for hosting the event and also providing the tournament its conducive ambience and hospitality.