



Hong Kong Scrabble Players Association

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Two Hong Kong students won Under 10 Awards in the World Youth Championship of Scrabble in Trang, Thailand

Hong Kong Scrabble players got outstanding results in the World Youth Championship of Scrabble this year. Samuel FOK Pak Hei and Raven WU Hoi Chun, both students from Wofoo Foundation Joseph Lee Primary School, won the Under 10 Players first runner-up and second-runner up respectively among 142 players from 17 countries and regions.

Ernest SO Yat Long, ex-Scrabble Team member of Methodist College, also won the Champion in the Warm-up Tournament. He has participated twice in the previous World Youth Championships of Scrabble in 2017 and 2018 as a member of Hong Kong Youth Scrabble Team. Euclid HUI Yau Tang, 4-time Hong Kong Scrabble Champion, also won the 8th Place award in the Side Tournament of WESPA Youth Cup 2023.

Samuel FOK and Raven WU said, “It’s unbelievable to win some awards in our first-ever World Youth Championship experience. We will continue to improve our Scrabble skills. Hope we can join more international tournaments in the future and try our best to win awards.”

This is Hong Kong’s sixth participation in the World Youth Championship of Scrabble, the World English-Language Scrabble Players Association Youth Cup (“WESPA Youth Cup”). The WESPA Youth Cup, formerly called “World Youth Scrabble Championship”, was held in Trang, Thailand this year from 1 to 3 December. Only under-18 players can participate in the WESPA Youth Cup. The Hong Kong Scrabble Players Association sent 24 players to the competition this year.

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About Scrabble

Scrabble is a word board game in which two players score points by placing tiles, each bearing a single letter, onto a game board which is divided into a 15×15 grid of squares in order to form words scoring as many points as possible. Competitive Scrabble follows global standard rules and a standard word list. Scrabble is recognised as a sport in some countries, such as Malta and Nigeria.

About Hong Kong Scrabble Players Association

Hong Kong Scrabble Players Association (“HKSPA”), established in 2014, is the official Scrabble association of Hong Kong. HKSPA aims to promote Scrabble to students and the general public in Hong Kong by organising various Scrabble competitions, including the annual flagship event for students, the Inter-School Scrabble Championship. HKSPA is a member of the World English-Language Scrabble Players Association, representing Hong Kong in the international Scrabble scene. For more information, please visit <http://hkscrabble.org>.

About World English-Language Scrabble Players Association

Formed in 2003, World English-Language Scrabble Players Association (“WESPA”) provides an official structure for the international Scrabble community. WESPA supports associations with internationally recognized rules and a ratings system whilst promoting a global calendar of Scrabble events designed to cater for players of all ages and levels. For more information, please visit <http://www.wespa.org>.