

**Open de Sants, Hostafrancs i La Bordeta, played annually in Barcelona**  
**Sants, Hostafrancs and La Bordeta International Open Chess tournament**



😊 Annually since 1999: Barcelona's most emblematic chess tournament 😊

**Double \*sole\* winner at the Sants Open in Barcelona in 2009 & in 2014**



**Alexandr Fier** of Brazil

<http://www.brasilbase.pro.br/jfier.php> (Games and results of Fier)  
<http://gmfier.blogspot.ch/> (Blog, Fier is Brazilian Champion in 2005, 2017, 2019)  
<http://www.chessgames.com/perl/chessplayer?pid=88826> (Bio Chessgames)  
[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alexandr\\_Fier](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alexandr_Fier) (Bio Wikipedia)

(11<sup>th</sup> Sants 2009, Alexandr Fier won with 8.5/10, 300 players)  
(16<sup>th</sup> Sants 2014, Alexandr Fier won with 8.5/10, 335 players)

## Sants Open

Year	Champion	Country	Points
1999 (1st)	Oleg Korneev	Russia	7'5/9
2000	Javier Campos Moreno (1)	Chile	8'5/10
2001	Viktor Moskalenko	Ukraine	8/10
2002	Javier Campos Moreno (2)	Chile	8'5/10
2003	Tiger Hillarp Persson	Sweden	9/10
2004	Pengxiang Zhang	China	8'5/10
2005	Liviu-Dieter Nisipeanu (1)	Romania	8'5/10
2006	Marc Narciso Dublan	España	8'5/10
2007	Friso Nijboer	The Netherlands	8'5/10
2008	Mateusz Bartel	Poland	8/10
2009	Alexandr Fier (1)	Brazil	8'5/10
2010	Maxim Rodshtein	Israel	8'5/10
2011	Mathew Sadler	England	8'5/10
2012	Grzegorz Gajewski	Poland	8/10
2013	Baskaran Adhiban	India	8'5/10
2014	Alexandr Fier (2, twice a sole win)	Brazil	8'5/10
2015	Kacper Piorun	Poland	8'5/10
2016	Qun Ma	China	8/10
2017	Rinat Jumabayev	Kazakhstan	8'5/10
2018 (20th)	Liviu-Dieter Nisipeanu (2)	Germany	8/10
2019	IM Maiximilian Neef	Germany	8'5/10
2020	(not held due to Corona Pandemic)		
2021	(not held due to Corona Pandemic)		
2022			

### List of all winners:

[Open de Sants by ajedrezdeataque.com](http://www.bidmonfa.com/obert_internacional_sants.htm) (until 2014)

[http://www.bidmonfa.com/obert\\_internacional\\_sants.htm](http://www.bidmonfa.com/obert_internacional_sants.htm) (Champion and Vice-Champion)

[https://ca.wikipedia.org/wiki/Obert\\_internacional\\_d'escacs\\_de\\_Sants,\\_Hostafrancs\\_i\\_la\\_Bordeta](https://ca.wikipedia.org/wiki/Obert_internacional_d'escacs_de_Sants,_Hostafrancs_i_la_Bordeta)

### Circuit Català d'Oberts Internacionals d'Escacs:

[https://ca.wikipedia.org/wiki/Circuit\\_Catal%C3%A0\\_d%27Oberts\\_Internacionals\\_d%27Escacs](https://ca.wikipedia.org/wiki/Circuit_Catal%C3%A0_d%27Oberts_Internacionals_d%27Escacs)

### Official Website:

[Bases Open - Cotxerescasinet.org](http://Bases_Open_-_Cotxerescasinet.org) (cotxeres-casinet.org)

## Albo d'Oro, Year-by-Year

1999 (**inaugural edition**): **Oleg Korneev** (Russia) won as clear first at 7.5/9 (186 players)

[http://cotxeres-casinet.org/open/classificacions/classifica\\_general\\_1999.htm](http://cotxeres-casinet.org/open/classificacions/classifica_general_1999.htm)

2000: IM (GM in 2005) **Javier Campos Morena** (Chile) won on tie-break above IM (GM in 2002) **Michael Oratovsky** (Israel) shared first place at 8.5/10 (291 players)

<http://theweekinchess.com/html/twic305.html#12>

**Note**: Some sources see **Atanas Kolev** (Bulgaria) as winner

2001: **Viktor Moskalenko** (Ukraine) won as clear first at 9/10 (374 players)

<http://theweekinchess.com/html/twic358.html#17>

2002: IM (GM in 2005) **Javier Campos Moreno** (Chile) won as clear first at 8/9 (390 players)

<http://theweekinchess.com/html/twic409.html#6>

2003 (edition V): **Tiger Hillarp Persson** (Sweden) scored a record 9 points at 9/10 to win outright by half a point from Viktor Moskalenko and Ralf Akesson (486 players!)

<http://theweekinchess.com/html/twic461.html#16>

2004: **Zhang Pengxiang** (China) *quien ganó el título en partidas de desempate*, finally edged out **Tiger Hillarp Persson** and **Oleg Korneev**, all finished on 8.5/10 (A-Open with 271 players)

<http://theweekinchess.com/html/twic513.html#8> (tie-breaks are not mentioned)

2005: **Liviu-Dieter Nisipeanu** (Romania) won as clear first at 8.5/10 (A-Open with 318 players)

<http://theweekinchess.com/html/twic565.html#13>

2006: **Marc Narciso Dublan** (Spain) won as clear first at 8.5/10 (A-Open with 274 players)

<http://theweekinchess.com/html/twic617.html#12>

2007: **Friso Nijboer** (The Netherlands) won as clear first at 8.5/10 (A-Open with 312 players)

<http://theweekinchess.com/html/twic669.html#16>

2008 (X): **Mateusz Bartel** (Poland) won after blitz play-off from **Pablo Lafuente** (Argentina), **Diego Di Berardino** and **Josep Oms Pallisse** after all scored 8/10 (A-Open with 322 players)

GM Mateusz Bartel writes: <The final standing of Group A on the Austrian website chess-results.com are not complete, and because of that, on many internet sites GM Pablo Lafuente was declared a winner by Bucholz. The rules in the A tournament were quite interesting – for all prized places, blitz tie-breaks were to be played (2 games 5'-5', in case of draw 6'-5' Armageddon). And I won the tournament after Blitz tie-breaks. Unfortunately, I can't find any results of blitz games on the internet> (Source: Chessdom.com)

<http://tournaments.chessdom.com/barcelona-sants-open>

**Note**: <http://theweekinchess.com/html/twic721.html#7> is wrong

2009: **Alexandr Fier** (Brazil) won as clear first at 8.5/10 (A-Open with 300 players)

<http://theweekinchess.com/html/twic773.html#6>

2010: **Maxim Rodshtein** (Israel) won as clear first at 8.5/10 (A-Open with 359 players)

<http://theweekinchess.com/html/twic825.html#9>

2011: **Matthew Sadler** (England) won as clear first at 8.5/10 (A-Open with 354 players)

The 13th Sants Open was won by Matthew Sadler with 8.5/11 playing his first proper Open Festival in a number of years. Sadler beat top seed Jan Smeets in the final round meanwhile the joint leaders Marc Narciso Dublan and Eduardo Iturrizaga drew with each other.

<http://theweekinchess.com/chessnews/events/13th-sants-open-2011>

2012: **Grzegorz Gajewski** (Poland) took first place after play-off from *Aleksandr Rakhmanov*, *Emilio Cordova*, *Kevin Spraggett* and *Sam Shankland* (1st-5th). They played blitz chess to sort out the final placings after all scored 8/10 (A-Open with 318 players)

<http://theweekinchess.com/html/twic929.html#6>

[A Canadian in Barcelona! – spraggettonchess](#) (Kevin Spraggett reporting)

2013 (XV): **Baskaran Adhiban** (India) won as clear first at 8.5/10 after beating the co-leader Vladimir Burmakin in the final round (A-Open with 310 players)

<http://theweekinchess.com/html/twic982.html#4>

2014: **Alexandr Fier** (Brazil) won a second time after 2009 as clear first, again at 8.5/10 (A-Open with 335 players)

<http://theweekinchess.com/html/twic982.html#4>

[www.chessdom.com/gm-alexandr-fier-winner-of-open-internacional-de-sants/](http://www.chessdom.com/gm-alexandr-fier-winner-of-open-internacional-de-sants/)

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2015: **Kacper Piorun** (Poland) won as clear first at 8.5/10 (A-Open with 380 players)

<http://theweekinchess.com/html/twic1086.html#4>

2016: **Qun Ma** (China) won a play-off final against his countryman *Yunguo Wan*, *Jorge Cori* from Peru (third), *Cristhian Cruz Sánchez*, *Jules Moussard*, and *Krishnana Sasikiran* finishing shared 1st to 6th place after all scored 8/10 (A-Open with 336 players)

<http://es.chessbase.com/post/ma-qun-campen-del-abierto-de-sants> 2016 (in spanish language)

<http://www.mundodeportivo.com/otros-deportes/20160828/404244907443/triunfo-chino-en-el-open-internacional-de-sants.html> 2016 (in spanish language)

**Note:** <http://theweekinchess.com/html/twic1139.html#3> is wrong (standings before speed play-off!)

2017: **Rinat Jumabayev** (Kazakhstan) won as clear first at 8.5/10 (A-Open with 382 (403) players)

<http://theweekinchess.com/html/twic1191.html#5>

2018 (**XX Jubilee edition**): **Liviu-Dieter Nisipeanu** at 8/10 in a five-way tie over *Jules Moussard*, *Miguel Illescas*, *Mhamal Anurag* (Grandmaster from India), **Sergey Volkov**, after speed play-off (Nisi had also the best tie-break score), 422 players in the A-Open: [The Week in Chess 1242](#)

2019: IM **Maiximilian Neef** (Germany) on tie-break from *Bharathakoti Harsha* (GM from India) after both scored 8.5/10. A speed play-off was planned as usual, but unfortunately Harsha missed it. Top seeded was Christian Bauer, GM from France (346 players). IM Neef surpassed 23 GMs, and made his first gm norm.

[The Week in Chess 1295](#)

[Neef erobert Barcelona: Sieg vor 21 Großmeistern | Perlen vom Bodensee – das Schachmagazin](#)

2020 & 2021: No tournaments due to Corona Pandemic



**Double sole winner at Sants, Alexandr Fier**, Brazilian GM look like Zorro. Photo by Lennart Ootes, pictured during the Sunway Sitges Open near Barcelona, December 2020

2022: to come

## International Chess Open Sants-City of Barcelona

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**The Open Festival Tournament is organised in the Swiss FIDE System, ten rounds. Venue is the Auditorium of the Civic Center of Les Cotxeres de Sants, c. Sants 79, Barcelona**

**Prominent winners include Fier (2x outright), Nisipeanu (2x), Hillarp Persson, Sadler, Bartel, Piorun, Nijboer, Moskalenko, Narciso Dublan, Rodshtein, Adhiban, Qun Ma**