

Sacramento Chess Club Newsletter

April 2004 - August 2004

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President - Steve Bickford Vice-President - Bob Baker Treasurer - John M^cCumiskey

The Sacramento Chess Club meets every Wednesday evening between 5:30 and 9 PM at the Hart Senior Center, 915 27th Street between I and J Streets, mid-town Sacramento. We are a USCF affiliate and charge no dues. Everyone of all ages and playing strength is welcome! The Club's website is located at <http://sacramentochessclub.org>

Schedule of Events

4-21>5-19 SCC Spring Swiss. 5 Round G/60 USCF rated, entry fee \$5. Early Registration on 4-14. Registration on 4-21 from 6:30-6:55. Round 1 at 7:00 pm, subsequent rounds at 6:55 pm. Trophy to the champion, top 1500-1799, and under 1500 (including unrated). Standard USCF tie-breaks will be used.

5-26 Swap Night Quick Chess (Handicapped Times). 5 or 6 round Quick Chess tournament. Time controls are based on the difference in players' quick chess ratings. \$2 entry fee. Registration from 6:30-6:55. Games start at 7:00. This event **WILL NOT** be USCF rated. These events have been entertaining in the past and **EVERYONE** has a chance to win a portion of the small prize fund!

5-26 10th Annual Swap Night. Buy, sell, or trade books, sets, clocks, magazines or other chess memorabilia. Stewart Katz is still on the lookout for your old clocks! For the best selection, get there early!

6-2 G/20 Quads. Four person round-robin quads, Game 20. USCF Quick Chess Rated, \$5 entry fee. Registration 6:30-6:50. Games start at 6:55. Quads will be ratings balanced – three games with similarly rated opponents! Each section will have its own prize fund. Scholastic quads may be formed as needed.

6-19 G/5 Double Blitz. Unrated 4 round Game 5 double blitz tournament. Play both white and black against the same opponent. Entry fee \$2. Registration 6:45-7:05, round 1 at 7:15. If there is enough interest, a scholastic section may be formed. This event **WILL NOT** be USCF rated.

6-16 >6-23 Sacramento City Chess Club Junior Championship. Four round Swiss (or round-robin, depending on entries) for those under the age of 19, Game 30, with two games each night. **NO ENTRY FEE.** A rated (for USCF members) and unrated section are planned. If there are not enough entries to run two sections, they will be combined into 1 unrated section. Registration 6:15-6:40. Rounds at 6:50 and 7:55 PM each night – participants will be finished by 9 PM both nights. Trophy prizes to be awarded with standard USCF tie-breaks used to determine final standings where necessary.

6-16 >6-23 G/30 Summer Swiss. Four round Swiss, G/30, USCF rated, entry fee \$5. Registration 6:15-6:40. Rounds at 6:50 and 7:55 PM each night. Trophy to the champion, top 1500-1799, and under 1500 (including unrated). Standard USCF tie-breaks will be used.

6-30 Casual Chess. No event scheduled for this evening. Play blitz with your friends, visit, or try to come up with that new innovation to crush your favorite opponent!

7-3>7-5 Sacramento Chess Championship. See the flyer on page 3 of this newsletter.

7-7 Sacramento Chess Club Speed Chess Championship Qualifying. The Sacramento Chess Club 5 minute championship. Trophy or prize to the champion. 7 round swiss with the **top seven scores advancing to the finals** on July 14th. Defending champion Jim MacFarland is seeded into the final. Unrated, \$3 entry fee. Registration 6:30-7:00, Round 1 at 7:10.

7-7 Scholastic Quick Chess. This will be a Game in 10 minutes, 5 round, USCF rated event

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for Scholastic players only. Registration will be from 6:30-7:00, Round 1 at 7:10 (or so). Entry fee \$2. Trophies for the top 5 finishers. All ties will be broken with tie-breaks listed at the tournament site.

7-14 Sacramento Chess Club Speed Chess Championship Finals. An unrated eight-player round-robin with the qualifiers from July 7th and defending champion Jim MacFarland. Games start at 7:00.

7-14 Sacramento Chess Club Scholastic Speed Chess Championship. This will be the Club's 5 minute scholastic championship. The format will depend on the total number of entries (swiss, double swiss, or round robin). Registration will be from 6:30-7:00, Round 1 at 7:10 (or so). Entry fee \$2. Trophies for the top 5 finishers. All ties will be broken using

standard USCF tie-breaks (trophies to be awarded on July 28 along with the Club Speed Chess Champion).

7-21>8-18 It's Hot Out There! Swiss. 5 Round G/60 USCF rated, entry fee \$5. Early Registration 7/14; 7/21 registration from 6:30-6:55. Round 1 at 7:00 pm, subsequent rounds at 6:55 pm. Trophy to the champion, top 1500-1799, and under 1500 (including unrated). Standard USCF tie-breaks will be used.

8-25 G/20 Quads. Four person round-robin quads, Game 20. USCF Quick Chess Rated, \$5 entry fee. Registration 6:30-6:50. Games start at 6:55. Quads will be ratings balanced – three games with similarly rated opponents! Each section will have its own prize fund. Scholastic quads may be formed as needed.

8-28>8-29 Sacramento Chess Club Weekend Swiss #13. See the flyer on page 4 of this newsletter.

Future Events: September – Election of Club officers, Sacramento Chess Club Championship.

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USCF Memberships Purchased Through the Sacramento Chess Club: The Sacramento Chess Club is continuing its policy of returning the affiliate discounts back to our members as long as the membership is purchased on a Club night or is purchased as part of a transaction that would normally occur on a Club night. Memberships purchased in conjunction with a weekend event (i.e. Sacramento Chess Championship) will not receive the affiliate discount. Single year discounted membership rates are as follows: Adult - \$45, Economy Adult (no Chess Life) - \$36, Senior (65 & over) - \$32, Youth (19 & under) - \$23, Scholastic (14 & under) - \$17, Economy Scholastic (14 & under, no Chess Life) - \$12. Multiple year memberships are also available with the discount.

Address Updates and Corrections to: Please e-mail your address updates and/or corrections to sactochess@sacramentochessclub.org or mail them to John M^cCumiskey, 6700 50th St., Sacramento, CA 95823-1306 or e-mail . Changes are generally processed the same day they are received. Thank you!

2004 Sacramento Chess Championship July 3-5, 2004

PLACE: Best Western Expo Inn, 1413 Howe Avenue, Sacramento, CA. From Business 80 (eastbound or westbound), exit at Cal Expo and go east on Exposition Boulevard. Exposition Boulevard will eventually join Arden Way. At Howe Avenue, turn right. The Best Western Expo Inn is approximately ¼-mile on the right. The tournament hall is in the Expo building.

EVENT & SCHEDULE: Three sections: Master/Expert (above 1999), Reserve (1600-1999), and Amateur (U1600) in a two or three-day schedule. USCF rated six-round swiss. Ratings will be based only on the 06/04 USCF rating list. **Registration:** 7/3 – 8:15 am - 9:30 am. 7/4 – 8:15am - 9:10am. **Rounds:** 3-day: 7/3 – 10 & 3:30, 7/4 – 11 & 5, 7/5 – 10 & 3:30. 2-day: 7/4 – 9:30, 11:45, 2, & 5, 7/5 – 10 & 3:30. (2-day and 3-day events merge in round 4) **Time controls:** 3-day, 30/90 G/1 all rounds. 2-day, Rounds 1-3, G/60; Rounds 4-6, 30/90, G/1. A 5 second time delay will be used on all time controls.

ENTRY FEE: 3-day: \$65 (Juniors \$35), postmarked by 6/26/2004; \$75 (Juniors \$40) postmarked after 6/26/2004 and on site. 2-day: \$66 (Juniors \$36), postmarked by 6/26/2004; \$76 (Juniors \$41) postmarked after 6/26/2004 and on site. Special entry: 1st time USCF and entry fee \$100 postmarked by 6/26/2004, \$110 postmarked after 6/26/2004 and on site. IMs/GMs free. USCF membership required. CalChess members receive a \$5 discount on their entry fee (excluding reentries). Entrants may play up one section for \$10. **Reentry** after round 2 of the 3-day schedule, \$40.

BYES: ½ point byes available in any round and must be requested before completion of the previous round. ½ point byes for rounds 5 and 6 must be requested prior to the start of round 1 and may not be changed. Maximum two ½ point byes per entry.

PRIZES: Master/Expert: 1st - \$325 (guaranteed) & trophy, 2nd - \$250 *U2200: 1st - \$185, 2nd - \$150
Reserve: 1st - \$325 & trophy, 2nd - \$250 *U1800: 1st - \$185, 2nd - \$150
Amateur: 1st - \$325 & trophy, 2nd - \$250 *U1400: 1st - \$185, 2nd - \$150
1st Place Junior, \$80 (10 or more Juniors in the section)

Overall prize fund based on 75 full paid adult entries and 10 full paid junior entries. Prize fund and/or number of prizes will be increased or decreased based on total entries in each section (with 60 full paid adult entries and 10 full paid junior entries the prize fund will be \$1,900). **NOTES:** Unrated players ineligible for asterisked (*) prizes. Prizes will be paid out upon the completion of the tournament. Trophy tie-break information on-site.

HOTEL: Best Western Expo Inn (ask for Sacramento Chess Club rates), 1-800-643-4422 or 1-916-922-9833.

OTHER: Bring clocks and equipment – none provided!! Registration will close as scheduled to allow round 1 to start on time. Late entries will be given a ½ point bye or paired against another late entry at the TD's discretion. No computer entries accepted. Wheelchair access to site. USCF rated. Advance entries posted on the Weekend Events page of the Sacramento Chess Club website, <http://sacramentochessclub.org>

MORE INFO: ANTD John M^cCumiskey, e-mail: sactochess@sacramentochessclub.org; phone: (916) 428-5532.

ENTRY FORM: The entry form is on page 5 of the newsletter.

Sacramento Chess Club Weekend Swiss #13

August 28 & 29, 2004

Place: The Learning Exchange, 1111 Howe Avenue, Suite 125, Sacramento, CA. From Business 80 (eastbound or westbound), exit at Cal Expo and go east on Exposition Boulevard. Exposition Boulevard will eventually join Arden Way. At Howe Avenue, turn right. The Learning Exchange is in the building at the north end of the 1111 Howe Avenue complex, about 1/2-mile on the right.

Event & Schedule: 4 round swiss in 3 sections: Master/Expert (2000+), Reserve (1600-1999), Amateur (Under 1600). Registration: 8/28: 8:30-9:30 am. Rounds 8/28 & 8/29: 10:00 am & 3:30 pm. Time controls: 30/90, G/1, 5 second time delay (on applicable clocks).

Entry Fees & Prizes: Entry Fees: \$45 mailed & postmarked by 8/21, \$55 postmarked after 8/21 and on-site; Juniors (under age 19), \$30 mailed and postmarked by 12/13, \$35 postmarked after 12/13 and on-site. IMs/GMs free. Players may play up at \$10 per section. \$5 CalChess discount available. Prizes based on 50 adult and 10 Junior paid entries. August 2004 USCF supplement will be used for ratings.

Master/Expert: 1st - \$175 & Trophy (guaranteed), 2nd - \$125 (guaranteed), U2200*: 1st - \$105, 2nd - \$95
Reserve: 1st - \$175 & Trophy, 2nd - \$125, U1800*, 1st - \$105, 2nd - \$95
Amateur: 1st - \$175 & Trophy, 2nd - \$125; U1400*, 1st - \$105, 2nd - \$95; Junior, 1st - \$70

Unrated players ineligible for asterisked (*) prizes. Prize fund and/or number of prizes in any section subject to change based on each sections total of entries.

Other: Bring sets & clocks!!! 1/2 point byes available in any round. Late entries will be given a 1/2 point bye or paired against another late entry at the TD's discretion. Round 3 byes must be requested by 8/28, Round 4 byes must be requested prior to round 1 and may not be changed. Players may only have one bye in the event (1/2 point or a 1 point pairing bye). Advance entries posted on the Weekend Events page of the Sacramento Chess Club website, <http://sacramentochessclub.org>.

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Sacramento Chess School

Hart Senior Center Redwood Room, 915 27th Street, Sacramento, CA

Complete the following three steps to participate:

Step #1: Register at 6 PM

Step #2: Play rated tournament chess game(s) – \$1 entry fee.

Step #3: Lesson presentation (by strong players and masters).

All participants must be USCF members.

2004 Schedule: May 6, 20, 27; June 4, 18, 25; July 2, 16, 23, 30; August 6, 20, 27;
September 3, 17, 24; October 1, 15, 22, 29; November 5, 19; December 3, 17

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Name: _____ USCF ID # _____ Rating: _____

Address: _____ Expiration Date: _____

City, State & Zip: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Circle the section being entered: Master/Expert Reserve Amateur Requested ½ point bye (if any): _____

Mark all that apply: E-mail Address: _____

_____ \$45 postmarked by 8/21/2004 (Juniors \$30), \$55 after 8/21/2004 & on site (Juniors \$35)

_____ USCF Membership: \$49, Adult; \$36, Senior; \$25, Youth (U19); \$13, Economy Scholastic (U15)

_____ CalChess membership: \$15 year, \$28 2-years, \$41 3-years, \$13 year (scholastic), \$17 year (family)

_____ Play up one section for \$10.

_____ **SUBTOTAL**

_____ CalChess discount \$5

_____ **TOTAL (Make checks payable to Sacramento Chess Club)**

Mail entries to: Sacramento Chess Club, c/o 6700 50th Street, Sacramento, CA 95823-1306

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2004 SACRAMENTO CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRY FORM

Name: _____ USCF ID # _____ Rating: _____

Address: _____ Expiration Date: _____

City & State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: (____) _____

E-mail Address: _____ Requested ½ point bye (if any), round(s) _____

Circle the section being entered: Master/Expert Reserve Amateur

Mark all that apply:

_____ 3-day: \$65 postmarked by 6/26/2004 (Juniors \$35), \$75 postmarked after 6/26/2004 & at site (Juniors \$40)

_____ 2-day: \$66 postmarked by 6/26/2004 (Juniors \$36), \$76 postmarked after 6/26/2004 & at site (Juniors \$41)

_____ USCF Membership: \$49, Adult; \$36, Senior; \$25, Youth (19 & under); \$13, Economy Scholastic (14 & under)

_____ Special entry: 1st time USCF & entry fee \$110 postmarked by 6/26/2004, \$120 after 6/26/2004 & on site

_____ CalChess membership: \$15 year, \$28 two years, \$41 three years, \$13 year (scholastic), \$17 year (family)

_____ Play up one section for \$10.

_____ **SUBTOTAL**

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