

THE FRAMINGHAM CHESS CLUB

A USCF AND MACA AFFILIATE

NEW CHESS CENTER FORMS TO SERVE AREA CHESSPLAYERS

It has been some time since the western metropolitan area has been served by a large, central chess club. Yet only such an organization can provide both a congenial atmosphere for relaxed, informal chess and a supportive environment for newcomers to the game, while still providing a continuous and stimulating program of USCF-rated events for seasoned tournament competitors. The Framingham Chess Club is being formed to fill this gap, and will inaugurate its program of activities on May 3.

The Framingham Chess Club will meet on Tuesday nights at 7PM at the American Legion hall in Framingham Center. This spacious hall will seat over 100 persons and has recently been remodeled. Ample free parking is available.

Open Houses

The Framingham Chess Club will hold six open house nights, on May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, and June 7. You are invited to drop by, talk with us, and tell us how we can serve your chess interests.

Simultaneous Exhibition by John Curdo

The first open house night, May 3, will feature at 7PM a simultaneous exhibition by USCF senior master John Curdo, many-time Massachusetts and New England champion. The entry fee for participating in the exhibition will be \$5. Book prizes will be awarded for the best played games. Please bring chess sets and boards.

USCF-Rated Weeknight Tournaments

On four successive Tuesdays, May 10, 17, 24, and 31, the Framingham Chess Club will hold a four-round, USCF-rated Swiss-system tournament. (In a Swiss-system tournament, no one is eliminated; in each round you are paired against a player with a similar score.) The time limit will be 40/90, 20/45. The entry fee will be \$7. First prize will be \$25; trophies will be awarded for first overall and first rated under 1600. United States Chess Federation membership is required; if you are not a member but wish to play, call Warren Pinches at the number below.

On June 7, an informal unrated speed tourney will be held. Entry fee is \$1; a trophy goes to the winner.

NORFOLK-MIDDLESEX CHESS ASSOCIATION

In June, a USCF-rated quadrangular tournament will be held, with rounds on June 13, 20, and 27. (In a quadrangular tournament, you are grouped with and play against three other players of similar strength.) Time limit as above. Entry is \$8 (USCF membership also required). First prize in each four-person section is \$15, with a \$10 prize for second.

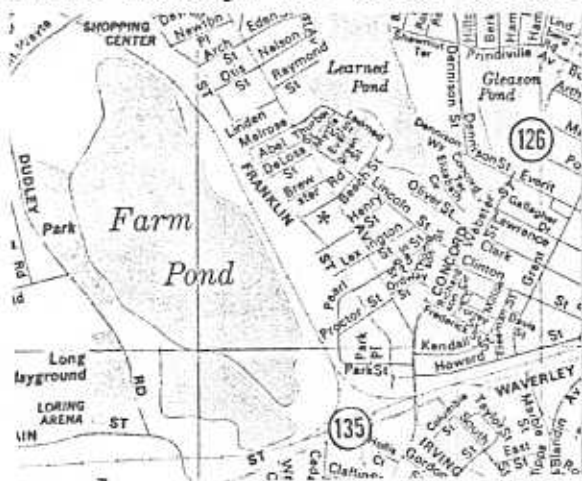
Please bring sets, boards, and chess clocks if possible to all events. None will be supplied.

Future Events

The Framingham Chess Club plans an almost continuous program of USCF-rated competition. With your support, we look forward to expanding the scope and variety of our programs in response to your needs. On the drawing board for this fall are weekend tournaments, an industrial chess league, and instructional programs for several levels of ability. We welcome your suggestions.

How To Find Us

Take Route 135 (east-west) or Route 126 (north-south) to Framingham Center. (From Route 9, take Route 126 south.) From Framingham Center, turn north on Franklin Street. The American Legion hall is at the corner of Franklin and Beech Streets. Enter through the Beech Street entrance.



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Schedule of Events for May and June

May	3	Open House and Curdo Simultaneous Exhibition
	10	Open House and Inaugural Swiss Round 1
	17	Open House and Inaugural Swiss Round 2
	24	Open House and Inaugural Swiss Round 3
	31	Open House and Inaugural Swiss Round 4
June	7	Open House and Speed Tourney
	14	June Quad Round 1
	21	June Quad Round 2
	28	June Quad Round 3

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SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

JULY-DECEMBER 1983

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Framingham Chess Club meets every Tuesday night at 7:00 PM, in the spacious and air-conditioned American Legion hall at the intersection of Beech and Franklin Streets, Framingham. Annual membership is \$20; \$10 for juniors and seniors. Six-month and family memberships are available. For directions or further information, in the evenings call Mark Bond at 872-2975 or Warren Pinches at 353-1889.

ORGANIZED COMPETITION

Attached is a schedule of competitive events scheduled by the Framingham Chess Club for the second half of 1983. The schedule includes both Tuesday night and weekend events, USCF-rated Swiss-system and quadrangular tournaments, team matches, instructional activities, and fun events such as simultaneous exhibitions and speed tournaments. Further details will be published in The Pawn Storm, the Framingham Chess Club journal.

INFORMAL GAMES

Should you decide not to participate in the event scheduled for a particular evening, you are nonetheless invited to drop by and play in informal, offhand game.

RATED GAMES

Players with current USCF memberships may have their offhand games rated for a processing fee of 25¢ per game.

INFORMAL TOURNAMENTS

Should a group of players wish to play a small tournament among themselves, this can readily be arranged by the tournament director. This is especially encouraged for novices, who may not wish to plunge directly into full-scale tournament play.

CHESS INSTRUCTION

Beginning in late July, the Framingham Chess Club will offer an instructional program for novices. The program will be based on a checklist of skills through which each player can progress at his own pace, adding new skills each session. Lectures will be held later in the year, and instructional articles will appear in The Pawn Storm.

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SCHEDULE JULY-DECEMBER 1983

- July 5: Fun Chess Night. Emphasis on chess-variants such as bughouse, dice, double-move, pre-chess, etc., along with conventional chess.
- July 12, 19, 26; August 2, 9: Framingham Summer Swiss. 5-SS, TL 25/1, 25/1, SD/30. Rounds begin at 7:30. EF: FCC members, \$6; others, \$10. Prizes: 1st, \$25 plus trophy; book prizes to class winners based on number of entries. 1/2 pt. byes available in any of the first four rounds.
- August 16: Framingham Chess Club Speed Championship. TL: 5 min/game. EF: \$1. Plaque to winner.
- August 21: Framingham Chess Club Picnic. Farm Pond Park, Dudley Road, Framingham, at noon. Rain date August 28.
- August 23, 26: Team match against Billerica club. First round in Framingham on Tuesday, second round in Billerica on Friday.
- August 30: Gambit Night. 2 rounds, unrated. White offers a gambit (King's, Evans, Danish, Scotch, Vienna, etc.) in each game.
- September 6: Lecture on basic chess strategy at 7:30. Problem-solving competition at 9:00 with sections for novice and advanced players.
- September 13: Simultaneous exhibition at 7:30 by Massachusetts Co-champion Jim Rizzitano. EF: \$6.
- September 20, 27: Under 1600 Swiss. 4-SS, rounds 7:30 and 9:30 each night. TL: 30/30, 30/30; adjournments played off at SD/30. Book prizes. EF: FCC members, \$5; others \$8. Concurrently a four-round free unrated Novice Tournament will be held.
- October 1, 2: Framingham Chess Club Open Championship. 5-SS. Details in Chess Life and Pawn Storm. (FCC Closed Championship, restricted to FCC members, will be held in a weeknight format in May.)
- October 4, 11, 18, 25; November 1: Framingham Autumn Swiss. 5-SS. TL: 40/90, 20/45; adjournments played off at SD/30. Rounds begin at 7:30 each night. EF: FCC members, \$6; others \$10. 1st prize \$25 plus trophy; class prizes based on entries. 1/2 pt. byes available in any of the first three rounds.
- November 8: Lecture at 7:30, followed by Woodpushers' Workshops.
- November 15, 17: Team match against Worcester club. First round in Framingham on Tuesday, second round in Worcester on Thursday.
- November 22, 29; December 6: Framingham Autumn Octagonal. 3-SS in eight-player sections. TL: 40/90, 20/45; adjournments played off at SD/30. Rounds begin at 7:30 each night. EF: FCC members, \$7; others \$12. Prizes: 1st in each section \$20; 2nd is \$10.

December 13, 14: Team match against Plainville club. First round in Framingham on Tuesday, second round in Plainville on Wednesday.

December 17: Framingham Saturday Swiss. 4-SS. Details in Chess Life and Pawn Storm.

December 20: Framingham Chess Club Christmas Party.

December 27: New Year's Speed Chess Tournament.

NOTE: All of the above subject to confirmation. Watch for notices in The Pawn Storm and in the club.