



MetroWest Chess Club

Largest Chess Club in New England

Serving the MetroWest Boston chess community since 1983

July 2008 Newsletter

Highlights

MCC Summer Solstice Swiss Results

Congratulations to the winners!

OPEN	IM Igor Foygel and Derek Slater (3.0/4)
U1900	Tim Bromley (3.5/4)
U1650	Stasik Popov, Doug Thompson, Alan Moyer, Warner Smith, and Charlie Fauman (3.0/4)
U1350	Fred Harvey (3.5/4)

MCC Summer Scholastics Program

The MetroWest Chess Club continues its tradition of holding a summer scholastics tournament. This year the event will take place on four Thursdays during [July 10, 17, 24, and 31](#). Players must be under 15 years of age and can enter in one of three sections:

- Challenge: any rating, 4 rounds, G/60
- 1st Reserve: U900, 8 rounds, two G/30 per night
- 2nd Reserve: for unrated players, 8 rounds, two G/30 per night

Rounds start at **6:30** sharp. See the club website for more information and registration forms.

David Harris and Ilya Krasik plan to continue their series on Basic Chess Endings before selected rounds. See the club website for the schedule.

Emanuel Raisin will have a large collection of chess books for sale during the first round.

Keeping in Touch ...

Long time club member Al Schaefer is not able to play at the club due to illness, but would very much like to hear from his friends. You can contact him through his email address: [alan_schaefer AT hotmail.com](mailto:alan_schaefer@hotmail.com)

COMPETE: Next Tournament

MCC Independence Day Swiss

When	Tuesdays at 7:30 pm July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	
Format	5-SS, 40/90, SD/30	
Sections	Open, U2000, U1700, U1400	
Prize Fund	\$ 900 Guaranteed	
Entry Fee	Masters	Free
	MCC Members	\$20
	Others	\$25

Prizes

Open	\$ 200 - 120 - 80
U2000	\$ 120 - 80 - 40
U1700	\$ 80 - 50 - 30
U1400	\$ 50 - 30 - 20

Championship Points

Open	80 - 50 - 30 - 20
U2000	40 - 25 - 15
U1700	20 - 12 - 8

Checkout the [Possible Events of Interest](#) link on the Club homepage for other events in the area,

25% bonus for winning all games

15 point bonus for upset win/draw over an 1800+ player and 300/600 rating diff

COMPETE: Club and Class Championship Qualification Standings Through June 2008

As we enter the summer season, only five more events remain on the calendar to qualify for the 2009 Club and Class Championships.

Last month only two of the 82 players entered in the four sections managed to score more than 3.0/4. Multi-way ties for placements meant that only three players earned championship points in double figures. They were Igor Foygel, Derek Slater, and Tim Bromley – enabling the latter two to break into the top-10.

The current 2009 championship qualification standings (in tie break order) are as follows:

Club Championship Qualifying Points

1.	NM Denys Shmelov	194
2.	Ilya Krasik	174
3.	Lior Rozhansky	162
4.	IM Igor Foygel	144
5.	IM David Vigorito	143
6.	FM John Curdo	86
7.	Greg Kaden	81
8.	David Harris	73
9.	NM Charles Riordan	58
10.	Derek Slater	52

Class (U2000) Championship Qualifying Points

1.	Lior Rozhansky	162
2.	Mika Brattain	50
3.	Edward Astrachan	48
4.	Jesse Nicholas	44
5.	Tim Bromley	32
6.	Leonard Gruenberg	27
7.	Mark McMahan	26
8.	Henry Clark	26
9.	Neil Cousin	25
10.	Alexander Paphitis	25