

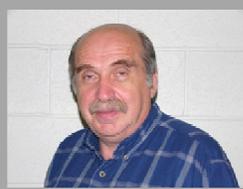


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METROWEST CC CHAMPIONSHIPS



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Club Championship



Class Championship



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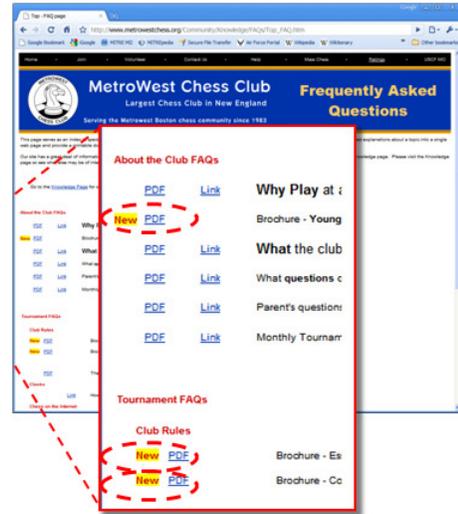
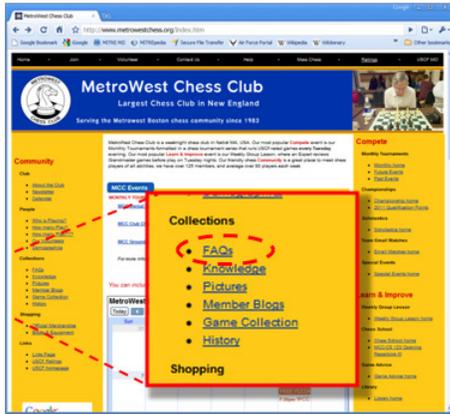
Matt Phelps

New location: 90 Oak St. Natick - See inside for details

May 2011 Newsletter

COMMUNITY: Club Brochures

There are three brochures to help new and experienced MetroWest CC players fully enjoy the Club and its competitive events. From the MetroWest CC homepage, click on "FAQs" to bring you to the "Frequently Asked Questions" page. There you will find the three new brochures.



Each brochure is packaged as a PDF which can be printed as a single double-sided sheet and tri-folded. The three brochures are shown below with links to go directly to the PDFs.

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[Essential Information](#)

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COMMUNITY: Web Site Improvements



Over the past year, MetroWest CC has taken big steps to assure that our players and members have access to MetroWest CC info via the latest tools:

- Social Media – At the top of the homepage is a link to our social media page which describes our presence in:
 - Google Calendar
 - Twitter
 - Blogs
 - Facebook
 - LinkedIn
 - Email
- Tournaments – Links to the current tournament and the last tournament
- Google Calendar – You can link to this, so that the MetroWest CC calendar is included in your calendar.
- Game Blog – Featured “top board” games are posted to our game blog, and posted after each round. Play the game on the homepage, or click the links to go to the game blog.
- News Blog – Featured news posted to our news blog. Read it there, or click the link to go to the news blog.

COMPETE: Game Collection and DGT Boards

MetroWest Chess Club members have made two DGT Boards available for use at the Club in order to capture games of interest

DGT (Digital Game Technology) is a company that sells wood boards and pieces with sensors so that the chess game moves can be recorded. The Club is using the DGT boards with Bluetooth so we can collect the chess game moves wirelessly, and unobtrusively:

<http://digitalgametechnology.com/site/index.php/Electronic-Boards/dgt-bluetooth-wireless-e-board.html>



DGT Board from DGT website



Two laptops at Club collecting moves

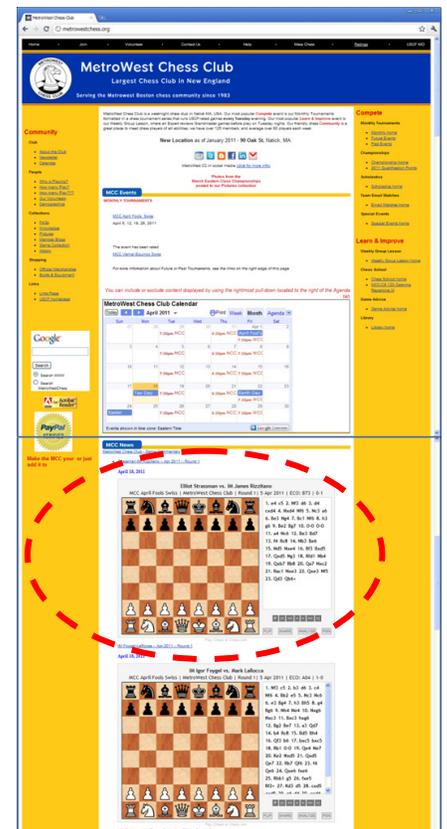


DGT used in Foygel-Chamerlain, Rd 2 Nov 9, 2010

Currently we are displaying the games in an interactive game viewer, on the homepage, below the calendar.

We will periodically add the games to the club game collection.

In addition, we are seeking a web coder volunteer for the Club to enable this and other game related capabilities.



COMMUNITY: Game Player

[MetroWest Chess Club - Game Commentary](#)

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• [Strassman-IM Rizzitano -- Apr 2011 -- Round 1](#)

April 18, 2011

Elliot Strassman vs. IM James Rizzitano
MCC April Fools Swiss | MetroWest Chess Club | Round 1 | 5 Apr 2011 | ECO: B73 | 0-1

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 d6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nxd4 Nf6 5. Nc3 a6 6. Be3 Ng4 7. Bc1 Nf6 8. h3 g6 9. Be2 Bg7 10. O-O O-O 11. a4 Nc6 12. Be3 Bd7 13. f4 Rc8 14. Nb3 Be6 15. Nd5 Nxe4 16. Bf3 Bxd5 17. Qxd5 Ng3 18. Rfd1 Nb4 19. Qxb7 Rb8 20. Qa7 Nxc2 21. Rac1 Nxe3 22. Qxe3 Nf5 23. Qd3 Qb6+

FLIP SHARE ANALYZE PGN

MetroWest CC is currently using the game player from CHESS.com. MetroWest CC has an account on CHESS.com, and posts games on the site. Then we export the player to a conventional blog which we pipe through Feedburner into our homepage. The result is that you can play through top games captured by our DGT boards

shortly after each round. We strive for posting the next day, similar to crosstable and pairing, but we are still working out our processes.

Read below for how to get the most from the player, which is compatible in IE, Firefox, and Chrome:

1. You can click on the blog link for the game, or the link for the entire blog. Once there, you can comment on the game, and share your thoughts.
2. At the top of the game player is the game data, including players, event, date, result, etc.
3. Window for the game scoresheet. You can click on any move to go directly to that move.
4. "VCR" style controls to go forward or backward in the game. Below the VCR controls are four buttons:
 - a. Flip – this rotates the board to flip colors
 - b. Share – Click this and "embeddable code" appears in the scoresheet window. Use this if you want to embed this in your own blog. To go back to the scoresheet, click again.
 - c. Analyze – Click this, and a new CHESS.com analyze board will pop up if you want to enter new variations to consider. This is private to you, and will not affect the game. Close the analyze window when done.
 - d. PGN – Click this, and the PGN will appear in the scoresheet window. You can copy the PGN if you want to put it into your own viewer, Fritz, Chessbase, RYbka, etc. To go back to the scoresheet, click again.

Natick Senior Center has moved!

Announcement from the Senior Center:

During the construction of Natick's new community senior center, the Senior Center and the club is temporarily in a new location for about 14 to 18 months

Our temporary quarters are at the former East School at 90 Oak Street, Natick:

It is on the westbound side of Route 9 opposite Scrub-a-Dub carwash. The entrance is on Oak Street. It was most recently occupied by Westgate Christian Academy—some people may have known where that was. See map below.



COMPETE: Results of Last Tournament

MCC April Fools Swiss Results

Congratulations to the winners!

- OPEN James Rizzitano (3.5/4.0)
- U2000 Neil Cousin, Ames Abbot (3.5/4.0)
- U1700 Jason Tang (4.0/4.0)
- U1400 Laura Brisbois (3.5/4.0)

Perfect Scores



Jason Tang, U1700



Last round, U1400
Laura Brisbois vs. Kenneth Brisbois



Collecting DGT games on top boards



COMPETE: Next Tournament

MCC 27th Anniversary Swiss

When Tuesdays at 7:30 pm
May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 2011

Format 5 - SS 40/90, SD/30

Sections Open, U2000, U1700, U1400

Prize Fund \$ 730 100% Guaranteed

Entry Fee

Masters	Free
MCC Members	\$25
Non-members	\$30

Prizes

Open	\$ 140 – 100 – 80
U2000	\$ 100 – 80 – 40
U1700	\$ 60 – 40 – 20
U1400	\$ 40 – 20 – 10

Championship Points

Open	50 – 30 – 20 – 10
U2000	30 – 20 – 10
U1700	15 – 10 – 5

New forfeit rule, players may be repaired after 30 min

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

Bookseller and Weekly Group Lessons

Emanuel Rasin of “Books from Europe”



Weekly Group Lessons



The current championship qualification standings are available online at:

http://www.metrowestchess.org/Compete/Championships/2011/2011_Championship_Qualification_Points_List.pdf

COMPETE: Championships

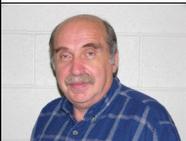
MetroWest CC holds annual Club and Class Championships in the Spring. The 2011 Championships were originally scheduled for March. Due to unusually heavy snow, and moving into temporary locations the month before, the Championships were rescheduled for May. The players for the Club and Class Championships are invited to play based on the accumulation of points throughout the previous year, plus maintaining membership in MetroWest CC. The 2011 Championship Qualifying Points list is here:

http://metrowestchess.org/Compete/Championships/2011/2011_Championship_Qualification_Points_List.pdf

On Wednesday April 20, 2011 the rosters for both the Club and Class Championships were finalized. On Tuesday April 26 (Round 4 April 2011) prior to the start of the round, we drew for seedings. The wallcharts for all rounds of the six player (five rounds) round robin Championships are posted at:

http://www.metrowestchess.org/Compete/Championships/2011/2011_Championship_Wall.htm

This will give all Championship players a full week to prepare for each game! Below are the rosters, with ratings from "Active Player List", updated March 14, 2011:

Club Championship			Class Championship		
Player	Picture	Rating	Player	Picture	Rating
IM Igor Foygel		2505	Neil Cousin		1969
NM Lawyer Times		2257	Larry Pratt		1913
GM Arthur Bisguier		2222	Robert Harvey		1873
Edward Astrachan		2026	Oleg Poliannikov		1839
Ethan Thompson		1928	Mark Kaprielian		1823
Charlie Fauman		1899	Matt Phelps		1764

COMPETE: Championships

Drawing for seeding

Matt Phelps, a MetroWest CC TD and the MetroWest CC Championships Program Director, works with players to draw lots for seeding.



Back to Business

After the drawing, Matt gets back to the business of playing a chess game!

