



MetroWest Chess Club

Largest Chess Club in New England

Serving the MetroWest Boston chess community since 1983

March 2007 Newsletter

Highlights

MCC Groundhog Day Swiss Results

Congratulations to the winners!

OPEN	NM Charles Riordan and NM Vadim Martirosov (3.5/4)
U2000	Neil Cousin, Paul Mishkin, and Michael Barry (3.5/4)
U1700	Bill Stein (3.5/4)
U1400	John McLaughlin (4.0/4)

MCC March Forward Swiss – 4 Rounds

Spring arrives this month. Come join us at the club to “march forward” into spring!

Rounds on **March 6, 13, 20, 27** at 7:30 pm.
Four sections: Open, U1900, U1650 & U1350.

Emanuel Raisin will have chess books for sale the first week – browsers welcome!

Wanted: Your Games

The MCC games collection has been updated and now contains 827 club games. We especially want games from the upper two sections and any others that you think show interesting play. Please drop off your score sheets in the slot near the pairings or send them electronically (preferred). You can email your games in CBV format (generated by Fritz or ChessBase), in PGN format, or as a text file. Send your games to **Games at MetroWestChess dot org**

The David Harris Lectures

David Harris will continue his lecture series this month. He will talk on “Gambits and Counter Gambits” at 6:30 pm before rounds 2 and 3 (**Tuesday, March 13 and 20**).

Listen and learn as David sheds some insights into a couple of risky topics.
I'd like to thank David for his consistent help in making the club a better place.

From the Editor

I'd like to share a great little application that will collect, analyze and graph one's USCF tournament data. All you have to do is enter your USCF member number and it will do the rest. The program was written by Wayne Zimmerle of The Greater Peoria Chess Federation. Follow the link at: <http://www.gpcf.net/> It is called MSA Data program and can be seen on the lower right side of the web page. Try it out. I think you will like what this program can do.

If anyone at the club has something they would like to contribute please contact me at News_Staff at MetroWestChess dot org.

Joe Murphy
Newsletter Editor



COMMUNITY :: Club and Partner Calendar

Tuesday, March 6	7:30 pm	Round 1 – March Forward Swiss Books from Europe – Emanuel Rasin
Tuesday, March 13	7:30 pm	Round 2 – March Forward Swiss Group Lesson at 6:30 – David Harris
Thursday, March 15	7:00 pm	Chess School – Class 3
Tuesday, March 20	7:30 pm	Round 3 – March Forward Swiss Group Lesson at 6:30 – David Harris
Tuesday, March 27	7:30 pm	Round 4 – March Forward Swiss

COMMUNITY :: Club Info and Partner Activities

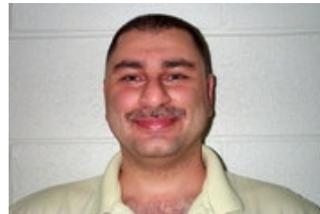
CLUB

Board of Directors

To learn more about our governance, visit
http://www.metrowestchess.org/Community/Club/Governance/Top_Governance.htm

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PARTNER

Greater Worcester Chess Club

- Organizer Donna Alarie

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- www.chesspals.com



PARTNER

Books from Europe – Round 1

- Proprietor Emanuel Rasin
- www.BooksFromEurope.com



COMPETE :: Next Tournament

MCC March Forward Swiss

When	Tuesdays at 7:30 pm March 6, 13, 20, 27	Prizes	
Format	4-SS, 40/90, SD/30	Open	\$160 - 100 - 60
Sections	Open, U1900, U1650, U1350	U1900	\$100 - 60 - 40
Prize Fund	\$ 710 Guaranteed	U1650	\$ 60 - 40 - 20
Entry Fee	Masters Free MCC Members \$15 Others \$20	U1350	\$ 40 - 20 - 10
		Championship Points	
		Open	64 - 40 - 24 - 16
		U1900	32 - 20 - 12
		U1650	16 - 10 - 6
			25% bonus for winning all games
			15 point bonus for upset win/draw over an 1800+ player and 300/600 rating diff

COMPETE :: Previous Tournament Results

Print the section results on the following pages and show them to your friends ☺



James Krycka
Monthly Tournaments Director



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Open Section

1st Place Tie 3.5 / 4 points



NM Charles Riordan



NM Vadim Martirosov

3rd Place 3.0 / 4 points



NM Denys Shmelov

Upsets over 200 points



James Lung



Lior Rozhansky



Winston Huang



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U2000 Section

1st Place Tie 3.5 / 4 points



Neil Cousin



Paul Mishkin



Michael Barry

Upsets over 200 points - None



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U1700 Section

1st Place 3.5 / 4 points

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Bill Stein

2nd Place Tie 3.0 / 4 points



Matt Phelps



Ralph Scully



Alexander Hu



Thomas Simon



Steve Wollkind

Upsets over 200 points



Christine Lung



Steve Wollkind



James Jaillet



Michael Wang



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U1400 Section

1st Place 4.0 / 4 points



John Mclaughlin

2nd Place Tie 3.0 / 4 points



Robert Matthews



George Callahan



Ziv Scully



Sabrina Zhang

Upsets over 200 points



Sabrina Zhang

COMPETE:: Club and Class Championship Qualification Standings Through February 2007

The Open-U2000-U1700-U1400 section splits for February were well received with at least 20 entries in each section. John McLaughlin, in the U1400 section, was the only player in any section to win all of his games. The last round featured several long, hard fought games on the top boards in the U2000 section with a large multi-way tie going into the final round.

Charles Riordan put a little distance between himself and the rest of the field in 2008 Club Championship qualification race by finishing tied for 1st for the second month in a row in the Open section.

The current 2008 championship qualification standings (in tie break order) are as follows:

Club Championship Qualifying Points

1.	NM Charles Riordan	106
2.	IM Igor Foygel	54
3.	FM Chris Chase	54
4.	NM Vadim Martirosov	52
5.	Mark Kaprielian	38
6.	Bennet Pellows	30
7.	NM Denys Shmelov	29
8.	Bill Stein	26
9.+	Neil Cousin	22
10.	Paul Mishkin	22
11.	Michael Barry	22

Class Championship Qualifying Points

1.	Mark Kaprielian	38
2.	Bennet Pellows	30
3.	Bill Stein	26
4.	Neil Cousin	22
5.	Paul Mishkin	22
6.	Michael Barry	22
7.	Leonard Gruenberg	19
8.	James Lung	15
9.	Thomas Simon	14
10.	Plamen Krastev	10
11.	Jesse Nicholas	10

For the 2007 Club and Class Championships in May, the following players will be invited to compete in the 5-RR events based on their finish in each category. Note that Hadrian Zbarcea has moved from the area and has stated that he will not be able to participate, therefore the first alternate will qualify. The qualifiers for the 2007 championships (in tie break order) are as follows:

Club Championship Qualifying Points

1.	IM Igor Foygel	486
2.	NM Denys Shmelov	336
3.	FM John Curdo	280
4.	David Harris	152
5.	FM Chris Chase	112
6.	Ilya Krasik	86

Class Championship Qualifying Points

1.	Neil Cousin	83
	Hadrian Zbarcea (moved)	69
2.	Bill Michael	52
3.	Robert Harvey	50
4.	Genesis Lung	45
5.	Ethan Thompson	39
6.	Larry Eldridge	38