



## MetroWest Chess Club

Largest Chess Club in New England

Serving the MetroWest Boston chess community since 1983

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### Monthly Event:

This month's regular event is a **four** week tournament.

- Round 1 is Tuesday, **September 5th**, 2017
- Sections with less than 8 players may be merged with another section

Due to the constraints of our playing site, all events at our current location are:

G/60; d5 dual-rated

Registration closes at 7:20 pm. If you arrive after that you may not be paired. We must be strict due to having to exit the building promptly at 10:00 pm.

**Please arrive early if possible.**

If you think you can't arrive by 7:20, please call the club number **before 7:00 PM** and register by phone message.

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#### **Forfeits:**

There has been an increase in players forfeiting in the past few months.

**The Club takes forfeits very seriously.**

If you, or your child, doesn't show up for a game without notifying us about it in time, someone else, who has likely traveled a long way and set aside a night of their week for chess at the Club, will not get a game.

If you, or your child, can't attend a round, you must call the Club's phone number by 7:00 PM and leave a message requesting a bye. If you know in advance, you can sign up for a bye using the bye sheets at the front desk.

**Once you are registered for a month's tournament, you are expected to arrive every Tuesday unless we hear from you.**

Please be respectful of your fellow club members and don't forfeit!

See the club rules [brochure \(PDF\)](#) for information on the Club fines for forfeits.

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### **MCC Group Classes:**

Group Classes continue in September. The following sessions will be run by John Chamberlain:

#### **Week 2 - September 12, 2017**

##### **The Lucena Position**

Does the Lucena position still confuse you after the R+P lecture in June? Ever notice how books always show the position with a Knight pawn? What if its a Bishop pawn, or a Queen pawn? Does that make a difference? How come the Lucena position never seems to happen in my games? What if my pawn is only on the sixth rank and my king is in front of it? Is that always a win?

In this lecture we will delve into all the subtleties of the Lucena position and really get a thorough run through of how it works including the exceptions and variations. Master the single most important chess position!

#### **Week 3 - September 19 , 2017**

##### **The Eight Fundamental Mistakes**

When coaching chess, I see the same basic kinds of mistakes made over and over. About 50% of all mistakes in chess, even by masters, can be categorized as one of eight different types; all of them easily avoidable--if you are aware of them. Everybody makes these classic errors (except me!) because they play with no training or preparation. The average player never sits down and thinks, "How can I not play that dumb kind of move again?" Bobby Fischer got to be the best player in the world by staying up until 3am every night trying to figure out exactly what he was doing wrong. You have it easier than him: I will show you the 8 basic patterns that most of your errors fall into and how to watch yourself not to make them. Be your own psychologist, get these bugs out of your system!

Classes generally begin at around 6:30PM and run until pairings are read at 7:20. Arrive early, register, and then learn something new!

**Week 4 - September 26, 2017**

**TBD**



**Fall Classes**

RSM-MetroWest in Framingham is holding an **OPEN CHESS NIGHT** at its **OPEN HOUSE** on September 15, 5-8 PM. You can learn about the **FALL Chess**

Classes, while your children play with the masters, and get a free chess evaluation. Walk-ins are welcome, but space is limited. Register at [www.metrowestschool.com/open\\_house.html](http://www.metrowestschool.com/open_house.html) to reserve a slot.

Fall 2017 Chess Class Registration is now open, **and** are offered at two levels (Chess I is for novice and Chess II) .

Please visit [www.metrowestschool.com/chess.html](http://www.metrowestschool.com/chess.html) for more information.

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Phone: **508-283-1355**.

More detail, signup information and background of our Masters can be found at: [www.metrowestschool.com/chess.html](http://www.metrowestschool.com/chess.html)

Contact us at [info@metrowestschool.com](mailto:info@metrowestschool.com) for questions and inquiries.



New England Chess School (Scholastic Chess Classes)

After school & Weekend chess classes

- Enriched after-school and weekend activity for elementary school aged children.
- All levels are welcome from beginners to already serious tournament player

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