

# A Northwest Chess Grand Prix Event



## Washington Class Championships

**Fri-Sun, November 25-27, 2022**

### \$12,000 Prize Fund

(based on 150 paid entries)

**Format:** A 6-round Swiss event across 7 class sections. Sections may be combined if less than 12 players in a section.

**Per-Section Entry Fees** (by Oct 28 / Nov 11 / on-site) **& Prizes:**

- **Master (2200+)** EF \$170 / \$180 / \$190  
Prizes: \$700, \$450, \$350; U2300 \$250, \$200
- **Expert (2000-2199)** EF \$160 / \$170 / \$180  
Prizes: \$600, \$350, \$250; U2100 \$200, \$150
- **Class A (1800-1999)** EF \$150 / \$160 / \$170  
Prizes: \$500, \$300, \$200; U1900 \$170, \$125
- **Class B (1600-1799)** EF \$150 / \$160 / \$170  
Prizes: \$500, \$300, \$200; U1700 \$170, \$125
- **Class C (1400-1599)** EF \$150 / \$160 / \$170  
Prizes: \$500, \$300, \$200; U1500 \$170, \$125
- **Class D (1200-1399)** EF \$150 / \$160 / \$170  
Prizes: \$500, \$300, \$200; U1300 \$170, \$125
- **Class E (1199 & Under)** EF \$150 / \$160 / \$170  
Prizes: \$500, \$300, \$200; U1000 \$170, \$125; U800 \$100, \$50; Unrated \$100

*Highest finishing WA resident in the Master, Expert, Class A, and Class B sections seeded into the 2023 WA State Championship, in the Championship, Premier, Invitational, and Challengers sections, respectively.*

**Mixed Doubles Prizes:** Best male-female 2-player team combined score among all sections: \$300-\$200-\$100. Avg team rating must be under 2000; may play in different sections. Register (no extra fee) before both players begin round 2. Players may win Mixed Doubles prizes in addition to other prizes.

**Special Prizes (per class section):**

**Best Female Player:** \$50. Awarded to the highest finishing female per class who does not win another cash prize. Requires min 3 qualifying players per class.

**Best Annotated Game:** \$50, \$25, 1-yr NWC ext. Submit one annotated game from the event that you consider to be interesting or well-played. A panel of judges will select the winners.

### Redmond Marriott

7401 164<sup>th</sup> Ave NE, Redmond, WA 98052

**Hotel Info/Rates:** Seattle Marriott Redmond, \$119 one King or two Queen Beds, single or double occupancy. Call (425) 498-4000 to request the Washington Chess Federation block. Group Booking Code: WCNWCNR. Cut-off date for [discounted reservations](#) is Nov 4, 2022.

**Entry Fees:** Rated players add \$85 if wanting to play up one class only. (Playing up two classes is not permitted.) Seniors (age 50+) please subtract \$50. Free entry to GMs, IMs, and WGMs. Reentry for ½ of original entry fee. Canadians may pay C\$ at par for entry fee.

**Info:** Josh Sinanan, WCF President, 206-769-3757,  
[WashingtonChessFederation@gmail.com](mailto:WashingtonChessFederation@gmail.com)

**Health/Safety:** All players and parents (if U18) are required to sign the [WCF Health / Safety Protocols & Waiver of Liability](#) form prior to the start of the tournament.

### Main Event:

**Note:** The overall schedule is designed so that you can play in the Main Event *and* in several of the Side Events (see next page for details) with minimum half-point byes!

### Registration & Payment:

Before event: [nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration/](http://nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration/) (pay by credit/debit/PayPal) or make checks payable to Washington Chess Federation.

**On-site:** Fri 9-10 AM for 3-day schedule, or 4-5 PM if entering with 1 half-point bye. Sat 8-8:30 AM for 2-day schedule, or 9-10 AM if entering 3-day schedule with 2 half-point byes. *Late registrations may receive a half-point bye for round 1.* Two half-point byes available; if interested, request before end of round 2. Play any 2 days, if taking 2 half-point byes.

**Rating:** Dual rated US Chess and NWSRS. Master/Expert/Class A/Class B sections also FIDE rated (except G/60 games). Higher of US Chess Regular or Online (Nov 1<sup>st</sup> supplement), FIDE, and NWSRS ratings used to determine class sections, pairings, and prizes. Higher of US Chess and foreign ratings used at TD discretion; foreign ratings used for players with no US Chess rating. Unrated players eligible only for 1<sup>st</sup> / 2<sup>nd</sup> / 3<sup>rd</sup> prizes in Master section or the Unrated prize in Class E section.

**Rounds:** 3-day schedule: Fri 11 AM & 6 PM, Sat 11 AM & 6 PM, Sun 10 AM & 4 PM. 2-day: Sat 9 AM, 11:45 AM, 2:30 PM, then join 3-day schedule from round 4 at 6 PM.

**Time Controls:** 3-day schedule: 40/120, SD/30 with a 10-second increment per move. Late default: 60 minutes. 2-day schedule: G/60 with a 10-second increment (rounds 1-3); rounds 4-6 same as 3-day schedule.

**Miscellaneous:** Current US Chess membership and WCF/OCF/ICA membership required in all sections. Other states accepted. Memberships may be paid at time of registration. US Chess Grand Prix Points: 40. US Chess Junior Grand Prix. No Computers. Wheelchair accessible. All equipment is provided. Please bring a digital clock, if available.

# Washington Class Championships, Nov. 25-27 (cont'd)

## Fun Side Events!

### Thanksgiving Scholastic

**Fri, 11/25 at 9:15 AM (during round 1)**

This event is a *WA State Elementary Qualifier!* Establish or update your rating!

Format: A 5-round Swiss tournament in 4 sections: K-3 U800, K-3 Open, 4-12 U900, 4-12 Open. Play-up allowed into Open sections.

Eligibility: Open to all K-12 students; grade is based on 2022/23 school year.

Entry Fee: \$45 if registered by 11/18, \$55 after. Room for max 90 players – register early!

Time Control: G/25; d5.

Awards: Amazon Gift Cards in each section: 1<sup>st</sup> \$100, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$90, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$80.

Special Prizes (per section): Medals for first-timers, best female player (by TPR), and biggest upset.

Rounds: 9:15 AM, 10:30, 11:45, lunch, 1:30 PM, and 2:45 PM. Awards ceremony 4 PM or ASAP.

Rating: Highest of Nov 2022 supplement US Chess / US Chess Online, or current NWSRS rating used to determine section and prizes.

Registration: 100% pre-registered, no on-site entries or payments. Entry + payment deadline: Wed, 11/23 @ 5 PM. Unpaid players will be withdrawn from the event.

### Carol Kleist Memorial Adult Swiss

Sponsored by the Seattle Chess Club, with generous support from Henry Yan.

**Fri-Sun, 11/25-27 at 11 AM & 4 PM**

Format: A 6-round Swiss in one section.

Time Control: G/90; +30.

Entry Fee: \$60 online (by Thu, 11/24 @ 5 PM) or \$70 onsite. Entry fee waived for new unrated players who purchase memberships.

Registration: Fri 10:00-10:30 AM (unless entering with half-point byes). Current US Chess membership and WCF/OCF/ICA membership required.

Rounds: Fri 10 AM & 4 PM, Sat 10 AM & 4 PM, Sun 10 AM & 4 PM. 2 half-point byes available; if interested, request before end of round 2.

Rating: US Chess only rated. Higher of Nov 2022 US Chess / US Chess Online ratings used to determine pairings and prizes.

Prize fund: \$1,000 (guaranteed). 1<sup>st</sup> \$200, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$150, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$110, 1<sup>st</sup> U2000 / U1700 / U1400 / U1100 or Unrated \$90, Biggest upset: \$90, Best Female player (by TPR): \$90.

### WA Class Puzzle Solving Championship

**Fri, 11/25 at 5 PM (between rounds 1 and 2)**

Format: Solve 15 chess puzzles in 45 minutes. Solutions to be written on paper. Evaluation based on both accuracy and completeness.

Registration: 4:00-4:45 PM. Entry fee: \$10. No memberships required.

Awards: Medals awarded to top-3 overall finishers and to the best puzzle solver in each class: U2000, U1700, U1400, & Unrated.

### WA Class 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Chess Workshop for Girls & Women

**Fri, 11/25 at 6 PM (during round 2)**

Format: Workshop led by WFM Chouchan Airapetian (chornyaa@msn.com, 206-914-4252), experienced chess coach, organizer, and promoter; former US Women's Championship contender; WCF Women's and Girl's Chess Director.

Registration: 5:45-6:00 PM. Entry fee: Free!

Schedule: 6PM-7PM - "How to develop & cultivate women's and girls' chess." 7PM-8PM - Q&A, complementary pizza & refreshments, and ladies' bughouse.

### WA Class "Waldow Chess" Championship

**Sat, 11/26 at 9 AM (before round 3)**

Format: 4-round Swiss in one section. Unrated. Time control: G/10; +3.

Description: Play begins with White to move having already played e4 and d4. In return for this handicap, Black receives draw odds!

Registration: 8:30-8:45 AM. Entry fee: \$20. No memberships required.

Rounds: 9 AM, 9:30, 10:00, and 10:30AM. 1 half-point bye available; request by end of round 2.

Prize Fund: \$150/b10. 1<sup>st</sup> \$40, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$30, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$20, 1<sup>st</sup> U2000/U1700/U1400/Unr \$15.

### WA Class Chess960 (Fischer Random) Championship

**Sat, 11/26 at 4 PM (between rounds 3 and 4)**

Format: 4-round Swiss in one section. Unrated. Time control: G/10; +3.

Registration: 3:30-3:45 PM. Entry fee: \$20. No memberships required.

Rounds: 4 PM, 4:30, 5:00, and 5:30 PM. 1 half-point bye available; request by end of round 2.

Prize Fund: \$300/b20. 1<sup>st</sup> \$80, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$60, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$40, 1<sup>st</sup> U2000/U1700/U1400/Unr \$30.

### WA Class G/45 Championship

**Sun, 11/27 at 1:30 PM (during round 6)**

Format: 4-round Swiss in one section. Dual rated - US Chess and NWSRS. Time control: G/45; +5.

Registration: 12:30-1:15 PM. Entry fee: \$25 online by Sat, 11/26 (or \$30 on-site). Current US Chess and WCF/OCF/ICA memberships required.

Rounds: 1:30 PM, 3:15, 5:00, and 6:45 PM. 1 half-point bye available; request by end of round 2.

Prize Fund: \$400/b20. 1<sup>st</sup> \$100, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$80, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$60, 1<sup>st</sup> U2000/U1700/U1400/Unr \$40.

### WA Class "Knight Time" Blitz

**Sun, 11/27 at 8:30 PM (after round 6)**

Format: 7-round Swiss in one section. US Chess Blitz rated. Time control: G/5; +2.

Registration: 8:00-8:15 PM. Entry fee: \$25 online by Sat, 11/26 (or \$30 on-site).

Current US Chess and WCF/OCF/ICA memberships required.

Rounds: 8:30 PM, 8:45, 9:00, 9:15, 9:30, 9:45, 10:00 PM. 2 half-point byes available; request by end of round 2.

Prize Fund: \$400/b20. 1<sup>st</sup> \$100, 2<sup>nd</sup> \$80, 3<sup>rd</sup> \$60, 1<sup>st</sup> U2000/U1700/U1400/U1100 or Unr \$40.