

# King County Open



September 27-28, 2025

Hotel 116 Bellevue

625 116<sup>th</sup> Ave NE, Bellevue, WA 98004



**Format:** A 5-round Swiss in two sections: **Kenmore Open** and **Kent U1500**.

**Entry fee:** \$100 by 9/20, \$120 after. \$50 play-up fee if rated 1400-1499 in both NWSRS and USCF and playing in Kenmore Open. 50% discount for Seniors (50+) and free entry for players rated 2200+ USCF. Open to all junior + adult players. Maximum of 110 players, please register early to reserve your spot!

**Schedule:** Arrival: 8-8:45am. Rounds: Saturday: 9am, 1:30pm, 6pm. Sunday: 10am, 3pm.  
Closing Ceremony + Blitz Tournament: ~ 7pm or asap.

**Time Control:** G/90; +30. Late default: 30 minutes.

**Rating:** Triple-Rated in NWSRS, US Chess, and FIDE. Higher of current NWSRS or September 2025 US Chess rating will be used to determine section, pairings, and prizes.

**Memberships:** US Chess and WCF/OCF/ICA memberships required; must be paid at the time of registration.

**Prize Fund:** **\$5,000** (based on 100 paid entries).

**Kenmore Open:** 1st-5th: \$550-450-400-350-300. 1st U2200/U2000/U1800/U1600: \$200.

**Kent U1500:** 1st-4th: \$350-300-250-175. 1st U1400/U1200/U1000: \$150. 1<sup>st</sup> Unrated: \$120.

**Special Prizes** (per section):

Biggest Upset Win: \$15/rd., Best Female Player (by TPR): \$50, Best Senior Player (50+, by TPR): \$50.  
Best Dressed: \$20/day, Best Attack: \$25 – please submit nominations.

**Byes:** Up to 2 half-point byes available if requested before the end of round 2.

**Registration:** Online at [nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration](http://nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration). Pay by SettleKing (Washington Chess Federation), Zelle (ID: [WashingtonChessFederation@gmail.com](mailto:WashingtonChessFederation@gmail.com)), cash, or write a check to Washington Chess Federation. **Payment due upon registration; players listed as unpaid for more than 7 days after registering will be withdrawn from the tournament. Registration + payment deadline: Fri, September 26 @ 5pm.** Unpaid players will be removed from the roster after the deadline.

**King County Blitz:** Sunday 7-9:30pm (after rd. 5 of main tournament). **Entry Fee:** \$25. **Format:** A 7-Round Single Swiss in one section, 2 half-point byes available. Dual US Chess Blitz + FIDE Blitz rated. **TC:** G/5; +3. **On-site registration:** 6:00-6:45pm. Rds. Sun @ 7pm, 7:20, 7:40, 8, 8:20, 8:40, 9pm. Closing Ceremony ~ 9:30pm or asap. Current US Chess membership required. Higher of current NWSRS, September 2025 US Chess Blitz, or September 2025 US Chess Regular rating used to determine pairings and prizes. **Prize Fund:** **\$400** (based on 30 paid entries)

1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup>: \$100-65-50, 1<sup>st</sup> U2000/U1800/U1600/U1400/U1200/U1000/Unrated: \$20.

Biggest upset win: \$5/rd.

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