

# 43rd Annual Reno Western States Open

## An American Classic and Heritage Event

Oct 9-11 or Oct 10-11, 2026, 3 Day or 2 Day Schedule

US Chess  
150 GPP (Enhanced)

**\$27,500!!** (b/275)

**\$17,000!!** (Guaranteed)

F.I.D.E. Rated  
OPEN Section

**NEW LOCATION: J Resort Casino Hotel, 345 N. Arlington Avenue, Reno, NV 89501**

Downtown Reno, formerly Sands Regency Casino Hotel

6 Rd Swiss ♦ 6 Sections ♦ 40/2, Game/1 - d5 ♦ (Open Section) 40/2, Game/55 - d5 ♦ 2 Day (Rds 1-3) G/1 - d5

**Open Section, F.I.D.E. Rated (2200 & above)** EF: \$194, (2000-2199) \$250, (1999/below) \$300; GMs and IMs free but must enter by 9/11 or pay late fee at door. Guaranteed Prizes; (1-7 in Open Section plus 1/2 of all other prizes).

**Open Section** \$2,000 - 1,000 - 900 - 800 - 700 - 600 - 500, (2399/below) \$1,000 - \$500, (2299/below) \$1,000 - \$500 (If there is a tie for 1st then a playoff for \$100 out of prize fund plus trophy).

<b>Section Expert</b>	(2000-2199)	EF: \$194 (2-day EF: \$190)	\$2,000-1,000-500-300-200
<b>Section "A"</b>	(1800-1999)	EF: \$193 (2-day EF: \$190)	\$1,800-900-500-300-200
<b>Section "B"</b>	(1600-1799)	EF: \$192 (2-day EF: \$190)	\$1,700-800-400-300-200
<b>Section "C"</b>	(1400-1599)	EF: \$191 (2-day EF: \$190)	\$1,500-700-400-300-200
<b>Section "D/Under"</b>	(1399-below)	EF: \$180 (2-day EF: \$190)	\$1,000-500-300-200, (1199/below) \$400-200-100

**Top Senior (65+) - \$200; Club Championship - \$600 - 300.**

**Wed. 10/7: 7:00 pm** - GM Sergey Kudrin Clock Simul w/ complete analysis of YOUR Game (Only \$30!-bring clock)

**Thursday 10/8: 6 - 7:15 pm** - Lecture by IM John Donaldson (FREE)

**7:30 pm** - GM Nick de Firmian Simul (\$20); Blitz (G/5 d0) Tourney \$25 - 80% of entries = Prize Fund

**Saturday 10/10: 3 - 4:30 pm** - Game/Position Analysis - IM John Donaldson (FREE)

♔ ♚ ♜ ♝ ♞ ♟ **Main Tournament** ♠ ♡ ♢ ♣ ♤ ♥ ♦ ♧ ♨

**Registration: Thursday (10/8) 5 - 8 pm. - Friday (10/9) 9 - 10 am. - Saturday (10/10) 9 - 10 am.**

**Round Times: (3-day Schedule) Friday - 12 Noon - 7 pm; Saturday - 10 am - 6 pm; Sunday - 9 am - 4 pm  
(2-day Schedule) Sat.- Rd 1 - 10:30 am, Rd 2 - 12:45 pm, Rd 3 - 3 pm, Rd 4 merge with regular schedule - 6 pm**

**For more information: Call, Write or E-mail Organizer and Chief TD, N.T.D. Jerome (Jerry) Weikel,  
(H) 775-747-1405 OR (Cell) 775-354-8728 • 6578 Valley Wood Dr., Reno, NV 89523 • wackyk1@aol.com**

**Room Reservation: Call J Resort Reno, 1-866-386-7829, Group Reservation Code: Westernchess1026**

**Hotel Rates: Sunday-Thursday \$104.01, Friday-Saturday \$138.06, all taxes and fees included. Reserve by 9/25**

**For TLA and to confirm receipt of entry see player list at: [www.renochess.org](http://www.renochess.org)**

**ENTRY FORM - 43rd Annual Western States Open - Reno, Nevada - Oct 9-11 OR Oct 10-11, 2026**

Mail to: WEIKEL CHESS, LLC, 6578 Valley Wood Drive, Reno NV 89523

PRINT Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_ USCF Rating \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

USCF ID# \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ All pre-registered players check in at TD desk on arrival.

**ENTRY FEE ENCLOSED: (CIRCLE SECTION AND FEE BELOW) BYE(S) REQUESTED FOR ROUND(S): (circle)**

1	2	3	4	5	6
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----- OPEN SECTION ----- EXPERT "A" "B" "C" "D/Under" UNRATED

GM/IM • Masters • 2000-2199 • 1999-Below 2000-2199 1800-1999 1600-1799 1400-1599 1399-Below Free With

<b>3-Day EF</b>	Free • \$194 • \$250 • \$300	\$194	\$193	\$192	\$191	\$180	USCF Dues
<b>2-Day EF</b>		\$190	\$190	\$190	\$190	\$190	USCF Dues

**FEES ALSO ENCLOSED FOR:**

- \$30 Wed. Clock Simul GM Kudrin
- \$20 Thu. Simul GM de Firmian
- \$25 Thursday Blitz (G/5 d0)
- \$20 Discount - Sr 65+ Age \_\_\_\_\_

**POSTMARK BY September 11, 2026.** Add \$11 after 9/11. Add \$22 on site.

Do not mail after 10/2 or email after 10/6. Make check / m.o. payable to WEIKEL CHESS LLC or provide credit card info and signature. \$7 service charge on credit card entries.  Visa  Master Card  Am.Ex  
Name on Credit Card \_\_\_\_\_  
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Credit Card# \_\_\_\_\_ CVV Code \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_

- Check Enclosed
- Charge My Card

**TOTAL \$**  
**FEES:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_