

CENTRAL OREGON CHESS CLUB

Now meeting at Whispering Winds
 2920 N.E. Conners Avenue
 Bend, OR 97701

Schedule on Thursdays:

6:00 p.m. until finished: Chess Club Activities

(Please note registration and round times on nights with tournaments or other organized events, per the fliers describing those events.)

May - June Thursday Night Club Activities

May 4	Club Quads Tournament – Round 3
May 11	Casual Club Play
May 18	Casual Club Play
May 25	Rated Blitz Tournament and Election of Officers
June 1	Casual Club Play
June 8	Club Quads Tournament - Round 1
June 15	Club Quads Tournament – Round 2
June 22	Club Quads Tournament - Round 3
June 29	Casual Club Play

TOURNAMENTS!

May 20	Spring Open Tournament at Bend Church (see details on page 4)
May 25	Rated Blitz Tournament
Jun 8 – Jun 22	June Club Quads (One rated game each week) (see details on page 3)

About future rated tournaments:

The club will sponsor U. S. Chess rated tournaments regularly, both in the club, and occasional weekend events (usually one day on a Saturday). We will have such events going forward, including a Saturday event scheduled for the third Saturday of May, and likely rated tournaments in the club in months that do not have a weekend event. Rated events do require current U.S. Chess memberships for

all players (may be purchased at registration). They also require adherence to the more formal tournament rules (use chess clocks, touch move, keeping score, etc.). If you need to review those, drop by the club. We will also answer rules questions during the announcements at the tournament before the start of the first round.

In most tournaments, all players play all rounds. No one is eliminated by a loss. But if you find you must miss a round or leave the event early, be sure to tell the tournament director. For multi week tournaments at the club, call or email a message to the tournament director if you find you are sick or have an unexpected conflict. That way you won't be paired, so no player will have to win by forfeit, and thus not get an official rated game.

The club could use someone else to become a certified tournament director, first as another backup, and later perhaps as a head director. Please contact the club director if you are interested.

About future chess classes:

We are working on a new plan for chess instruction connected to the club. Topics could include in depth topics like middle game themes, types of chess openings, types of chess endgames, contributions to chess theory of the older chess masters, and chess traps, pitfalls and swindles (how to spot and avoid such). Suggestions about how to best provide for such instruction would be welcome! Club members who would like to teach newer players should mention that to the club director, as we get frequent requests for such instruction.

Rated Blitz Tournament:

On May 25, we will hold a blitz tournament, rated by U.S. Chess. They have separate ratings for events with time controls of less than game in 10 minutes. Since this will be rated, U. S. Chess membership is required. The event will have about 8-10 games, depending on number of entries. Register 6 to 6:30 p.m. Entry fee \$5. Pairing system (single round robin, double round robin, or Swiss) will depend on the number of entries. Time control is Game in 5 minutes, delay 3 seconds. Prizes per entries.

Election of Club Officers

There will be an election of new club officers at 6:30 p.m., before the Blitz tournament at our meeting on May 25. We need to elect a President, a Vice-President, and a Secretary-Treasurer. Please try to arrive early that night, so as not to delay the start of the Blitz Tournament.

For more information:

Please direct any questions to the former vice-president, Paul Shannon, countdune@netscape.net. We also maintain a large email list for chess information and announcements (usually monthly). Please let us know if you would like to be added to that list.

June Club Quads
Thursdays, Jun 8 - Jun 22, 2023
Whispering Winds
2920 N.E. Conners Avenue
Bend, Oregon 97701

Entry Fee: \$10 (Cash or check - not set up for cards)
Registration: 6:00 - 6:45 June 8
Play starts: 7:00 each Thursday
Rounds: One game each week.

U.S. Chess Rated - U.S. Chess Membership required

**** GET A CHESS RATING! FREE ENTRY TO FIRST TIME U.S.CHESS MEMBERS JOINING AT SITE (also for those rejoining after five years or more)****

Three Rounds - Game in 1 hour, delay 5
Four player sections by rating - round robin pairings
Bottom section will include any new players, and may have more than four players with Swiss System Pairings in order to meet requirements for initial ratings. Bring your friends!

\$\$Prizes\$\$

Winners of each section will be awarded a free entry in any club sponsored tournament in the next year!

Entries or Info: **Paul Shannon, NTD**
60958 Targee Drive
Bend, OR 97702
(541) 306-3821 (Home phone-no text)
countdune@netscape.net

Alternate Info: **Eric Holcomb**
(541) 647-1021 or (541) 213-9275
eric@holcomb.com

Bend Spring Open
Saturday, May 20, 2023
Bend (Methodist) Church
680 NW Bond Street
Bend, Oregon 97703

Entry Fee: \$20 (Cash or check - not set up for cards)
Registration: 8:30 - 9:00
Play starts: 9:00
Rounds: 9:00, 10:45, 1:15, 3:00

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Four Rounds - Game in 45, delay 5
One half point bye available at entry (not later)
Swiss System Pairings. Bring your friends!

\$\$Prizes\$\$
\$50 First Prize, \$25 Second Prize Guaranteed!
Additional Prizes per Entries

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