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2023

Connecticut State Championship

Record \$10,000 in Guaranteed 1-Day Prizes!!!

First Class Collegiate Venue; Many Placements; Player-friendly Entry Fees; Special Discounts; Top Directing Team; DGT Broadcast; On-site Dining

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Date & Sunday, November 12, 2023

Time: Rounds at 10:30a, 1:15p, 3:30p and 5:45p; Awards by 8:15 PM

U800/NR: Round 1 at 12p, then ASAP

Online registration including "same day" available though 12 PM on November 12.

Location: Wesleyan University, Fayerweather, 55 Wyllys Avenue, Middletown, CT 06457

Sections: 5 Sections: Championship (CT players rated over 1900, only, see notes [1] and [2] below);

U2200; U1700; U1200; U800; NR (not rated) (NO state restriction on these sections).

Rated players with rating over 299 may not participate in NR.

Rds/Time 4 Rounds SS, G/55 d5. U800/NR: 4 Rounds SS, G/25 d5. All USCF Rated, except NR.

Control: One ½ pt by e permitted in Rounds 1-3; must commit by end of registration.

Prizes: Championship: \$1,000-700-500-400-300-250-200-175

<u>U2200</u>: \$700-500-400-300-250-200-175-150 <u>U1700</u>: \$500-400-300-250-200-175-150-125 <u>U1200</u>: \$400-300-250-200-175-150-125-100

Trophy to section winners. State Champion Trophy to Championship Section winner.

<u>U800</u>: Trophy to Top 5, Top U400, U300, Unrated and 3 school teams.

NR: Trophy to Top 8, may be subdivided by age, if sufficient players for multiple sections. Unless tied for first place, prizes based on final standings on USCF tie breaks, NOT USCF distribution rules. Players tied for first share money prizes equally. Final placement of perfect 4-0 scores subject to Armageddon tie break; does not affect money prizes. Prize payments via PayPal within 2-10 days of event, subject to PayPal fees, if any.

Entry Fee: Register online only, including "same day", ends 12p on Nov 12, ½ pt Rd 1 bye after 10a

<u>Championship</u>: \$90 by Nov 8; \$110 by Nov 10; \$130 thereafter <u>U2200/U1700</u>: \$80 by Nov 8; \$100 by Nov 10; \$120 thereafter <u>U1200</u>: \$75 by Nov 8; \$95 by Nov 10; \$115 thereafter <u>U800/NR</u>: \$30 by Nov 8; \$40 by Nov 10; \$50 thereafter

Credits/
Discounts:

*CSCA Entry Credit: First time USCF registrants get \$20 entry credit to a 2023-24 CSCA

State Championship event, exp: June 30, 2024.

<u>Need-based</u>: Cases of financial hardship and Title I students, please <u>email</u> CSCA. <u>Senior (65+) and Sibling (pK-12)</u>: <u>Email</u> CSCA <u>before</u> entry for 10% discount. <u>Premium and Member Organization Members</u>: One third discount. Code provided. <u>GMs and IMs</u>: Free entry by Nov 8, then deducted from prize. Please <u>email</u> CSCA to register. <u>NMs and higher</u>: Half entry by Nov 8. Please <u>email</u> CSCA to register.

Notes:

- [1] Connecticut player. For the purpose of these Championships, a "Connecticut player" is
 - (a) any player whose state is designated Connecticut ("CT") with U.S. Chess, or
- (b) any player whose state is not designated "CT" with U.S. Chess, but who (i) resides, (ii) attends school or (iii) is employed or self-employed in the state of Connecticut.

Event entrants pursuant to section (b) will provide proof of eligibility.

- [2] **Championship Section Entry Restriction.** Entry in the Championship section is limited to Connecticut players with a minimum rating of 1901. Other sections do not have a state restriction.
- [3] **Tie Break Playoff Format.** If there are 2 or more players tied with a perfect (4-0) score, a playoff will determine the section winner and will immediately follow Round 4. The playoff format will be G/5/4 d2 Armageddon game, blitz rules apply, with USCF tie breaks determining seeding and choice of color. Playoff pairings will be highest seed against lowest seed and so on. Each playoff round will result in elimination of the losing player(s). Final placement of eliminated players will be arranged in order of seeding based on round of playoff elimination. If the number of players in the initial playoff round is uneven, the highest seeded player(s) will advance without play to the second playoff round. All other ties broken by US Chess standard tie break rules.
- [4] **Other Event Features.** (a) DGT Broadcast on five boards over ChessCT.org; (b) On site dining at Usdan Student Center dining hall and café; (c) Directing team led by STD NM Ian Harris with latest in event management innovations.
- [5] **COVID-19 Protocols Apply.** All applicable Wesleyan University COVID-19 Protocols apply.
- [6] **Tax requirements.** Players receiving total payments of \$600 or more from the CSCA in 2023 must submit a <u>W-9</u> to the CSCA at <u>events.CSCA@gmail.com</u> in advance of receiving prize.
- [7] **Refunds/Cancellation Policy:** To withdraw registration or request a refund, email your request to events.CSCA@gmail.com no later than November 10 at 11:59 PM. Refund requests not received by email or received after the above deadline, will not be honored. Refunds are subject to \$15 administrative fee.
- [8] **Unauthorized solicitation is prohibited.** This is a nonprofit event for the Connecticut chess community, and the CSCA event <u>Promotion Policy at CSCA Tournaments</u> is in effect. Please contact CSCA at <u>events.CSCA@gmail.com</u> for advertising and promotional opportunities.