

2016 CT STATE CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

At Chess Club of Fairfield County, 710 West Av, NORWALK CT 06850 (203-505-6215).

All equipment provided.

Sponsored by the New Britain Chess Club

Saturday, March 19, 2016

4-SS - Round 1 + Round 2: Game/60, d/5; Round 3 + Round 4: Game/75, d/5.

Rounds: 9:00(Check in by 8:45 for upper section), 11:15, 1:30, 4:00. Kitchen available for eating in.

CHAMPIONSHIP Section - Prizes to: 1st (with Title of CT State Chess Champion, Trophy, and \$400); 2nd (Trophy); 3rd (Trophy). No byes. Conventional tiebreaks used to determine title and trophies; cash prizes however will be split evenly among ties. **The four top boards in every round will be broadcast live.** *Comprised of: last year's Candidate's champion, and the FIFTEEN highest-rated CONNECTICUT players to attend (March rating supplement; must check in by 8:45).*

CANDIDATES Section - Prizes to: 1st (Trophy and \$50 regardless of state; **and pre-paid seeding entry into 2017 Championship section**, regardless of rating); 2nd (Trophy and \$50, all are eligible); Top CT Class B (Trophy and \$50); Top CT Class C (Trophy and \$50); Top CT Class D / Unrated (Trophy and \$50); Top Upset (Trophy). Conventional tiebreaks used to determine seeding and trophies; but cash prizes split evenly among ties. ***Open to any and all not playing in the top section, regardless of state, but only CT players can qualify for the 2017 Championship seeding or the Class prizes.***

Note: Many entrants, for instance Class A players, may enter without being able to guess whether their rating will fall into the top section or not, thus not knowing what section they would be in until 8:55 that morning. If an entrant then wishes to withdraw due to placement in an undesirable section, we will immediately refund the entry fee in full.

Entry Fee (includes CSCA membership): \$60 in advance, or \$70 (Cash) on site (8:30-8:45); or FREE if you're a (Co-)Winner of any previous CT/CSCA CT State Chess Championship, or if you won the previous year's Candidates section.

At 8:50, the Championship Section will be formed by the 16 highest-rated CT players to have registered and checked in, or by the 15 highest-rated if Thomas Ewald is also participating.

Defending champion is Ian Harris.

ADVANCE ENTRY: \$60 check made to "New Britain Chess Club", mailed with USCF ID#, by Tue 3/15/16 to: Norman Burtness, 46 Brookmoor Rd, West Hartford CT 06107.

Questions, communication, or if bad weather, call (860)250-6040 or (203)505-6215.