



MetroWest Chess Club

Largest Chess Club in New England

Serving the MetroWest Boston chess community since 1983

February 2009 Newsletter

Highlights

MCC New Year Swiss Results

Congratulations to the winners!

OPEN	IM David Vigorito, NM Charles Riordan (3.5/4)
U2000	Mika Brattain (4.0/4)
U1700	Henry Clark (3.5/4)
U1400	Pierre Fleurant, James Jaillet (3.5/4)

Please Consider Volunteering!

MetroWest Chess Club is an all volunteer, unpaid position, organization. We all do it for the love of the Club :-). Currently we are looking to strengthen the following positions with one or more volunteers:

- Tournament Directors
- Championship Program Director
- Weekly Group Lesson Program Director

If you are interested and able, please ask a Club volunteer how to get involved.

1st Round...

Emanuel Raisin should be present for the first round with a large collection of chess books for sale

COMPETE: Next Tournament

MCC Groundhog Day Swiss

When Tuesdays at 7:30 pm
February 3, 10, 17, 24

Format 4-SS, 40/90, SD/30

Sections Open, U2000, U1600, U1400

Prize Fund \$ 630 Guaranteed

Entry Fee

Masters	Free
MCC Members	\$20
Non-members	\$25

Prizes

Open	\$ 120 - 80 - 60
U2000	\$ 80 - 60 - 40
U1600	\$ 60 - 40 - 20
U1400	\$ 40 - 20 - 10

Championship Points

Open	64 - 40 - 24 - 16
U2000	32 - 20 - 12
U1600	16 - 10 - 6

25% bonus for winning all games

15 point bonus for upset win/draw over an 1800+ player and 300/600 rating diff

Checkout the [Possible Events of Interest](#) link on the Club homepage for other events in the area,

COMPETE: Club and Class Championship Qualification Standings Through January 2009

Qualification for the 2010 Club and Class (U2000) Championships has begun with the January tournament.

The current 2010 championship qualification standings (in tie break order) are as follows:

Club Championship Qualifying Points

1.	IM David Vigorito	52
2.	NM Charles Riordan	52
3.	Mika Brattain	40
4.	FM John Curdo	20
5.	GM Arthur Bisguier	20
6.	Neil Cousin	16
7.	Al Ward	16
8.	Henry Clark	16
9.	Milad Afdasta	15
10.	3-way tie	6

Class (U2000) Championship Qualifying Points

1.	Mika Brattain	40
2.	Neil Cousin	16
3.	Al Ward	16
4.	Henry Clark	16
5.	Milad Afdasta	15
6.	Alan Moyer	6
7.	Jenshiang Hong	6
8.	Robert Matthews	6

For the 2009 Club and Class (U2000) Championships in March, the first 6 players in each category have qualified to compete in the 5-RR events:

Club Championship Qualifying Points

1.	IM Igor Foygel	449
2.	Lior Rozhansky	263
3.	NM Denys Shmelov	259
4.	IM David Vigorito	223
5.	Ilya Krasik	217
6.	FM John Curdo	186
7.	NM Charles Riordan	166
8.	Mika Brattain	114
9.	Ed Astrachan	104
10.	Greg Kaden	81

Class (U2000) Championship Qualifying Points

1.	Mika Brattain	114
2.	Edward Astrachan	104
3.	Jeffrey Hall	75
4.	Winston Huang	74
5.	Jesse Nicholas	73
6.	Neil Cousin	65
7.	Mark McMahon	56
8.	Danny Angermeier	46
9.	Vikas Shiva	39
10.	Jacob Fauman	36