

The 2004 MCC Club and Class Championships

The 2004 MCC Club Championship will be held in March 2004 as a separate 6-player 5-RR event run in parallel with the regular monthly sections. Qualification for the Club Championship is based on performance in MCC regular time control events during 2003 where championship qualification points can be earned.

The 2004 MCC Class Championship (for U2000 players) will be contested in the Open section during March 2004. In contrast to the Club Championship, there is no qualifying process for the Class Championship 5-SS event. The highest scoring club member who is rated U2000 wins the Class Championship. The February 2004 USCF Supplemental Rating List is used to determine a player's eligibility for the Class Championship.

For the Club Championship, qualification points are earned by placing 1st-2nd-3rd in the Open section, 1st-2nd in the Upper section, and 1st in the Lower section throughout the year. Points are awarded on a graduated scale with a bonus of 50% for a perfect score of all wins. In addition, to qualify for the championship a player must compete in at least 4 MCC tournaments during 2003 and must be a member of the club on December 31, 2003.

Championship Qualification Point List for 2004 - Final Standings

Player's Name	USCF Rating	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Point Total	Tmt Req	Rank
GM Alexander Ivanov	2593				120						48	80	96	344	Met	1-A
IM Igor Foygel	2517			64		16	48	96	48			30	32	334	Met	2-A
NM Charles Riordan	2287		64	16	40	64		8	48	15				255	Met	3-A
Edward Epp	2025	64			20		4			80				168	Met	4-A
FM John Curdo	2224	12	32	16		16			8	15		30	6	135	Met	5-D
NM Chris Desmarais	2220						48	32						80	2-X	###
John Chamberlain	1994	12	6								48		6	72	Met	6-A
George Goulding	1696		3	12					18	30				63	Met	7-D
James Todhunter	1786					12	36							48	Met	8-A
Eric Sonnenstuhl	1726					12		36						48	Met	9
Seth Johnson	1440											45		45	Met	10
Severine Wamala	1749			12					18	8				38	Met	11
Ames Abbot	1767	12				12					12			36	Met	12
Frederick Smith	1818	36												36	Met	13
William Stein	1661		24		4								6	34	Met	14
Howard Goldowsky	1785				30									30	Met	15
Patrick Sciacca	2129								8	15	6			29	Met	16
Robert Frederick	1517												24	24	2-X	###
Benjamin Goldberg	2064						4			15				19	Met	17
Timothy Hanke	2007					16								16	1-X	###
Randy Brueckner	1951			16										16	Met	18
John Stengrevics	1593		3			12								15	Met	19
Navan Ruthramoorthy	1922		6										6	12	Met	20
John Martin	1915	12												12	Met	21
Vishwa Krishnamurthy	1905	12												12	Met	22
Philip Mercurio Jr	1600			12										12	Met	23
Edmund Staples	1574							12						12	Met	24
Eric Berkey	1562										12			12	3-X	###
Jenshiang Hong	1374		4					8						12	Met	25
Chris Berg Jones	1348										12			12	3-X	###
James Sullivan	1779p										12			12	2-X	###
David Martin	1591		3							8				11	Met	26

Edwin Burnett	1594					3					8		11	Met	27
Menno Koning	1618		3		4		3						10	Met	28
Plamen Krastev	1404				10								10	Met	29
Harvey Reed	1389									10			10	Met	30
Farzad Abdi	1938								8				8	1-X	###
Bennet Pellows	1535										8		8	2-X	###
Pierre Fleurant	1343		4	4									8	Met	31
Calvin Bohn	1368						8						8	3-X	###
Jeff Penta	1877		6										6	Met	32
Joseph Perl	2049									6			6	3-X	###
Derek Slater	1974									6			6	Met	33
Mark Kaprielian	1726		3				3						6	Met	34
Matthew Gosselin	1653											6	6	3-X	###
Thomas Martin	1507										5		5	Met	35
Douglas Thompson	1266										5		5	Met	36
Noah Pang	2038						4						4	2-X	###
Robert Powell	1979						4						4	Met	37
Gatumba Abu	1583				4								4	Met	38
Paul Vlahos	1555				4								4	Met	39
Alan Schaefer	1419									4			4	Met	40
Thomas Powers	1403			4									4	Met	41
James Klinkenberg	1385									4			4	Met	42
James Krycka	1355	4											4	Met	43
Fred Harvey	1190	4											4	Met	44
Matthew Phelps	1610						3						3	Met	45

Column Notes:

- Column **Tmt Req** states the number of tournaments played as "1", "2", "3", or "Met" (for 4 or more). If the 4-tournament requirement has not been met at year's end, the player is disqualified and "-X" is placed after the tournament count.
- Column **Rank** gives players' current rankings for the Club Championship. If a player qualifies but declines to play, the next ranked player in the list will be invited to the event. A player who accepts an invitation is identified by "-A" after the ranking and a player who declines an invitation is identified by "-D" after the ranking.

Point Allocation Rules:

- Points are given for placing 1st-2nd-3rd in the Open section, 1st-2nd in the Upper section, and 1st in the Lower section:
 - >> For 4-round events the usual allocation is: 64 - 32 - 16 / 24 - 12 / 8
 - >> For 5-round events the usual allocation is: 80 - 40 - 20 / 30 - 15 / 10
- For a placement tie, the available points are divided equally among the players and rounded up to the next whole number
- In addition, a bonus of 50% of the points earned is awarded to any player who posts a perfect score of all wins in an event

Tie Break Rules:

- Most points earned in the Open section
- Most points earned in the Upper section
- Most events in which points were earned
- Highest rating from the 2003 USCF Annual Rating List (December 2003); full rating takes precedence over provisional rating
- Coin toss

Championship Points Earned for 2004 by Tournament in 2003

2003 Events	Open Section	Upper Section	Lower Section
January Rounds: 4 Pts: 64-32-16 / 24-12 / 8	1. E.Epp (64) 2. J.Curdo (12), J.Chamberlain (12), J.Martin (12), V.Krishnamurthy (12)	1. F.Smith (24+12 bonus) 2. A.Abbot (12)	1. F.Harvey (4), J.Krycka (4)
February Rounds: 4 Pts: 64-32-16 / 24-12 / 8	1. C.Riordan (64) 2. J.Curdo (32) 3. J.Chamberlain (6), N.Ruthramoorthy (6), J.Penta (6)	1. W.Stein (24) 2. M.Kaprielian (3), M.Koning (3), G.Goulding (3), D.Martin (3), J.Stengrevics (3)	1. P.Fleurant (4), J.Hong (4)
March Rounds: 4 Pts: 64-32-16 / 24-12 / 8	1. I.Foygel (64) 2. J.Curdo (16), C.Riordan (16), R.Brueckner (16)	1. P.Mercurio (12), G.Goulding (12), S.Wamala (12)	1. T.Powers (4), P.Fleurant (4)
April Rounds: 5 Pts: 80-40-20 / 30-15 / 10	1. A.Ivanov (80+40 bonus) 2. C.Riordan (40) 3. E.Epp (20)	1. H.Goldowsky (30) 2. W.Stein (4), M.Koning (4), P.Vlahos (4), G.Abu (4)	1. P.Krastev (10)
May Rounds: 4 Pts: 64-32-16 / 24-12 / 8	1. C.Riordan(64) 2. I.Foygel (16), J.Curdo (16), T.Hanke (16)	1. A.Abbot (12), J.Todhunter (12), J.Stengrevics (12)	1. E.Sonnenstuhl (8+4 bonus)
June Rounds: 4 Pts: 64-32-16 / 24-12 / 8	1. I.Foygel (48), C.Desmarais (48) 3. E.Epp (4), B.Goldberg (4), N.Pang (4), R.Powell (4)	1. J.Todhunter (24+12 bonus) 2. M.Kaprielian (4), M.Koning (4), M.Phelps (4)	1. C.Bohn(8)
July Rounds: 4 Pts: 64-32-16 / 24-12 / 8	1. I.Foygel (64+32 bonus) 2. C.Desmarais (32) 3. C.Riordan (8), F.Abdi (8)	1. E.Sonnenstuhl (24+12 bonus) 2. E.Staples (12)	1. J.Hong (8)
August Rounds: 4 Pts: 64-32-16 / 24-12 / 8	1. I.Foygel (48), C.Riordan(48) 3. J.Curdo (8), P.Sciacca (8)	1. S.Wamala (18), G.Goulding (18)	1. A.Schaefer (4), J.Klinkenberg (4)
September Rounds: 5 Pts: 80-40-20 / 30-15 / 10	1. E.Epp (80) 2. C.Riordan (15), J.Curdo (15), P.Sciacca (15), B.Goldberg (15)	1. G.Goulding (30) 2. S.Wamala (8), D.Martin (8)	1. H.Reed (10)
October Rounds: 4 Pts: 64-32-16 / 24-12 / 8	1. A.Ivanov (48), J.Chamberlain (48) 3. P.Sciacca (6), J.Pperl (6), D.Slater (6)	1. A.Abbot (12), J.Sullivan (12), E.Berkey (12)	1. C.Berg-Jones (8+4 bonus)
November Rounds: 5 Pts: 80-40-20 / 30-15 / 10	1. A.Ivanov (80) 2. I.Foygel (30), J.Curdo (30)	1. S.Johnson (30+15 bonus) 2. E.Burnett (8), B.Pellows (8)	1. T.Martin (5), D.Thompson (5)
December Rounds: 4 Pts: 64-32-16 / 24-12 / 8	1. A.Ivanov (64+32 bonus) 2. I.Foygel (32) 3. J.Curdo (6), J.Chamberlain (6), N.Ruthramoorthy (6)	1. R.Frederick (24) 2. W.Stein (6), M.Gosselin (6)	1. H.Forber-Pratt (8)