

The 2010 MCC Club and Class Championships

The 2010 MCC Club Championship and the MCC Class Championship (for U2000 players) will be held in March 2010 as separate 6-player 5-RR events run in parallel with the regular monthly sections.

Qualification for the 2010 MCC championships is based on performance in MCC regular time control events during 2009. The top 6 players from the Championship Points List (who accept the invitation) compete for the Club Championship. The remaining top 6 players rated U2000 (who accept the invitation) play for the Class Championship. The 2009 USCF Annual Rating List (published in December) is used to determine whether or not a player is eligible for the Class Championship.

Championship points are earned by placing 1st-2nd-3rd-4th in the Open section and 1st-2nd-3rd in the Upper and Middle sections during the year. Points are awarded on a graduated scale. Also, a perfect score bonus is given for all wins and an upset bonus is granted for scoring a very large upset. In addition, to qualify for the championships a player must compete in at least 4 MCC regular time control tournaments during 2009 and must be a member of the club on December 31, 2009.

Championship Qualification Points List for 2010 - Current Standings

Player's Name	USCF Rating	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Point Total	Tmt Req	Ranking by Club/Class	
IM Igor Foygel	2528			50	27	20	54	52	52	65	64	52	20	456	Met	1	
NM Denys Shmelov	2470		32	100		64	54	52	52					354	Met	2	
NM Ilya Krasik	2278		4	20			3			65	20	20	80	212	Met	3	
IM David Vigorito	2472	52	64	50		20					20			206	Met	4	
NM Lawyer Times	2302		4	20	64	20	3	10		25		52		198	Met	5	
FM Charles Riordan	2411	52		30			54	10	14					160	Met	6	
Neil Cousin	1970	16				16	40	26			22		8	128	Met	7	1
Calvin Hori	1855						25	10	16		22			73	Met	8	2
Winston Huang	2089		32	40										72	Met	9	
Ethan Thompson	1786					40			32					72	Met	10	3
FM John Curdo	2212	20	4	20			3						20	67	Met	11	
John Chamberlain	2102					20				25	20			65	Met	12	
GM Arthur Bisguier	2200	20		20									20	60	Met	13	
Warner Smith	1669		11		8	8	25			7				59	Met	14	4
Tian Rossi	1826		11	15	32									58	Met	15	5
Al Ward	1825	16			16			26						58	Met	16	6
Nikita Konovalchuk	1859		11									13	33	57	Met	37	7
Mika Brattain	1989	40		15										55	Met	18	8
CM Derek Slater	2132		4		27								20	51	Met	19	
Robert Harvey	1838		4							33			8	45	Met	20	9
Winbur Xu	1812									8			33	41	Met	21	10
Todd Chase	2027											20	20	40	Met	22	
Jensiang Hong	1616	6				20	12							38	Met	23	11
Alexander Hu	1878							4		33				37	Met	24	12
Mark Fins	1891			15		16		4						35	Met	25	13
Danny Angermeier	1853		32											32	Met	26	14
Alexander Paphitis	1740			30										30	Met	27	15
Charlie Fauman	1695						15					13		28	Met	28	16
Neal Bruce	Prov.											8	20	28	Met	29	17
Rolf Wetzell	2005				27									27	Met	30	
Jesse Nicholas	1991			25			3							27	Met	31	18
William Stein	1750					8		2	16					26	Met	32	19
Dave Rivera	1699		11	15										26	2-X	33	20
Leonard Gruenberg	1459			8			3		6				8	25	Met	34	21
Elliot Strassman	1802				16					8				24	Met	35	22
Ross Eldridge	1880										22			22	1-X	36	23
Patrick Sciacca	2200										20			20	1-X	37	
Richard Han	1704							20						20	1-X	38	24
Alexander Jones	1536									20				20	Met	39	25

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 **Ranking by Club/Class** gives players’ current rankings for the Club Championship and the Class Championship (if eligible). An U2000 player who qualifies for both championships can choose to play in either championship event. If a player qualifies but declines to play, the players ranked below are promoted. 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-4th in the Open section and 1st-2nd-3rd in the Upper and Middle Unnnn sections:

>> For 3-round events the usual allocation is: 48 - 30 - 18 - 12 / 24 - 15 - 9 / 12 - 8 - 4

>> For 4-round events the usual allocation is: 64 - 40 - 24 - 16 / 32 - 20 - 12 / 16 - 10 - 6

>> For 5-round events the usual allocation is: 80 - 50 - 30 - 20 / 40 - 25 - 15 / 20 - 12 - 8

>> For 6-round events the usual allocation is: 96 - 60 - 36 - 24 / 48 - 30 - 18 / 24 - 15 - 9

However, during the month in which the Championships are held in parallel to the regular sections the allocation is less:

>> For 5-round event in championship month: 50 - 30 - 20 - 10 / 30 - 20 - 10 / 15 - 10 - 5

The allocation may be different to accommodate special circumstances or it may be reduced if one or more rounds is cancelled (e.g., bad weather). Championship points are awarded only for events where 3 or more rounds are played.

- Points are given for placing 1st-2nd-3rd-4th in the Club Championship and 1st-2nd-3rd in the Class Championship:

>> For MCC Championship events the allocation is: 80 - 50 - 30 - 20 / 40 - 25 - 15

- For a placement tie, the available points are divided equally among the players and rounded up to the next whole number. For example, if there is a 3-way tie for 1st in the Open section of a 5-round event, each player receives 54 points based on $(80 + 50 + 30) / 3 = 160 / 3 = 53.33$ which is 54 when round up to the next whole number.
- In addition, a perfect score bonus (PSB) of 25% of the points earned is awarded to any player who posts a win in each round. Note that forfeit wins and full point byes do not count; a player must play a game in each round and win each game. For example, a player who scores 4-0 in the Upper section of a 4-round event would earn $1.25 * 32 = 40$ points.
- Also, an upset bonus (UWB) of 15 points is awarded for a win against an 1800 or higher rated player where the winner is rated at least 300 points lower (or at least 600 points lower for a draw). Both players must be fully rated at the start of the event.

Tie Break Rules:

1. Most points earned in the Open and Club Championship sections combined.
2. Most points earned in the Upper and Class Championship sections combined.
3. Most events in which points were awarded.
4. Highest rating from the December USCF Annual Rating List; full rating takes precedence over a provisional rating.
5. Coin toss.

Championship Points Earned for 2010 by Tournament in 2009

2009 Events	Open Section	Upper Section	Middle Section
January 4-SS ChPts: 64-40-24-16 / 32-20-12 / 16-10-6	1. D.Vigorito (52), C.Riordan (52) 3. J.Curdo (20), A.Bisguier (20)	1. M.Brattain (32+8 PSB) 2. N.Cousin (16), A.Ward (16) + M.Afdasta (15 UWB)	1. H.Clark (16) 2. A.Moyer (6), J.Hong (6), R.Matthews (6)
February 4-SS ChPts: 64-40-24-16 / 32-20-12 / 16-10-6	1. D.Vigorito (64) 2. D.Shmelov (32), W.Huang (32) 4. J.Curdo (4), L.Times (4), I.Krasik (4), D.Slater (4), R.Harvey (4)	1. D.Angermeier (32) 2. N.Konovlchuk (11), L.Eldridge (11), T.Rossi (11)	1. D.Rivera (11), W.Smith (11), J.Dorfman (11)
March Club and Class Championships 5-RR ChPts: 80-50-30-20 40-25-15	1. D. Smelov(80 + 20 PSB) 2. D. Vigorito (50) 3. C. Riordan (30) 4. I. Krasik (20)	1. W. Huang (40) 2. J. Nicholas(25) 3. M. Brattain (15)	
March 5-SS ChPts: 50-30-20-10 / 30-20-10 / 15-10-5	1. I. Foygel (50) 2. J. Curdo (20) L. Times (20) A. Bisguier (20)	1. A. Paphitis (30) 2. M. Finns (15) T. Rossi (15)	1. D. Rivera (15) 2. W. Champion (8) L. Gruenberg(8)
April 4-SS ChPts: 64-40-24-16 / 32-20-12 / 16-10-6	1. L. Times (64) 2. I. Foygel (27) D. Slater (27) R. Wetzell (27)	1. T. Rossi (32) 2. A. Ward (16) R. Holmgren (16)	1. E. Strassman (16) 2. W. Smith (8) S. Schnair (8)
May 4-SS ChPts: 64-40-24-16 / 32-20-12 / 16-10-6	1. D. Shmelov (64) 2. I. Foygel (20) D. Vigorito (20) L. Times (20) J. Chamberlain (20)	1. E. Thompson (32 + 8 PSB) 2. N. Cousin (16) M. Fins (16)	1. J. Hong (16 + 4 PSB) 2. W. Stein (8) W. Smith (8)
June 5-SS ChPts: 80-50-30-20 / 40-25-15 / 20-12-8	1. I. Foygel (54) D. Shmelov (54) C. Riordan (54) 4. J. Curdo (3) L. Times (3) I. Krasik (3) E. Astrachan (3) F. Yang (3) J. Fauman (3) J. Nicholas (3)	1. N. Cousin (40) 2. C. Hori (25) 3. C. Fauman (15)	1. W. Smith (20 + 5PSB) 2. J. Hong (12) 3. L. Gruenberg (3) D. Thompson (3) P. Fleurant (3)
July 4-SS ChPts: 64-40-24-16 / 32-20-12 / 16-10-6	1. I. Foygel (52) D. Shmelov (52) 3. C. Riordan (10) L. Times (10) J. Perl (10) G. Xu (10)	1. N. Cousin (26) A. Ward (26) 3. M. Fins(4) A. Hu (4) G. Goulding(4)	1. R. Han (16 + 4PSB) 2. C. Hori (10) 3. W. Stein (2) R. King (2) C. Neogy (2)
August 4-SS ChPts: 64-40-24-16 / 32-20-12 / 16-10-6	1. I. Foygel (52) D. Shmelov (52) 3. C. Riordan (14) A. Cherniack (14) D. Plotkin (14)	1. E. Thompson (32) 2. C. Hori (16) L. Pratt (16)	1. W. Stein (16) 2. L. Gruenberg (6) D. Thompson (6) B. Abelis (6)
September 5-SS ChPts: 80-50-30-20 / 40-25-15 / 20-12-8	1. I Foygel (65) I. Krasik (65) 3. L. Times (25) J. Chamberlain (25)	1. R. Harvey (33) A. Hu (33) 3. W. Xu (8) E. Stassman (8)	1. A. Jones (20) 2. W. Smith (7) A. Sorets (7) S. Rangan (7)
October 4-SS ChPts: 64-40-24-16 / 32-20-12 / 16-10-6	1. I. Foygel (64) 2. D. Vigorito (20) I. Krasik (20) P. Scaccia (20)	1. N. Cousin (22) C. Hori (22) R. Eldridge (22)	1. P. Krastev (16) 2. W. Champion (8) S. Wollkind (8)

November 4-SS ChPts: 64-40-24-16 / 32-20-12 / 16-10-6	1. I. Foygel (52) L. Times (52) 2. I. Krasik (20) T. Chase (20)	1. E. Astrachan (13) N. Konovalchuk (13) A. Abbot (13) M. Barry (13) C. Fauman (13)	1. C. Berg-Jones (16) 2. D. Callahan (8) 3. N. Bruce (8)
December 5-SS ChPts: 80-50-30-20 / 40-25-15 / 20-12-8	1. I. Krasik (80) 2. I. Foygel (20) J. Curdo (20) A. Bisguier (20) D. Slater (20) T. Chase (20)	1. N. Konovalchuk (33) W. Xu (33) 3. N. Cousin (8) R. Harvey (8)	1. N. Bruce (20) 2. G. Weast (12) 3. L. Gruenberg (8)