



MetroWest Chess Club

Largest Chess Club in New England

Serving the MetroWest Boston chess community since 1983

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COMMUNITY

Weekly Group Lessons

On Round 4, June 26, Joel Johnson visited the MetroWest CC, delivered a Weekly Group Lesson, and held a book signing and selling, before joining us in a game of chess.



Joel Johnson was a regular in the Boston chess circuit 10 years ago. He decided to pursue a full time chess career in AZ. He is now a leading chess coach, and has just published his second book, "Formation Attack Strategies" published this month, by Lulu.

Joel is no stranger to the MetroWest Chess Club or the Weekly Group Lessons. On the Course

archive page, scroll down to see his course material from Weekly Group Lessons he taught back in 1999:

http://www.metrowestchess.org/Learn/Chess_School/Course_Archive/Top_Course_Archive.htm

Joel won the U.S. Senior Championship in 2007, and he was the most active player in the US with around 800 USCF rated games. Joel is still very active, playing about 150 rated games each year. Joel's USCF is approaching his all-time high of 2372! He tells us that his book writing and research has really helped.

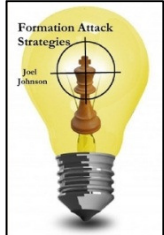
His first book is: Formation Attacks, Joel Johnson 2010

http://www.amazon.com/Formation-Attacks-Joel-Johnson/dp/0557522692/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1339944991&sr=8-1&keywords=joel+johnson+chess



His new book is: Formation Attack Strategies, Joel Johnson 2012

<http://www.lulu.com/shop/joel-johnson/formation-attack-strategies/paperback/product-20166609.html>





You can keep up with the Weekly Group Lessons, and more, via the News Blog, Calendar, Facebook, and Twitter. Since these lessons are all organized and delivered by volunteers we usually don't schedule the lessons far in advance. This article will let you know how to get notifications throughout the month.

For example, coming up Round 4, July 24 2012:

Lessons from Grandmaster Games

Taking the sting out of the Sicilian defense: Lessons from the 2012 World Chess Championship – Mark LaRocca

“Are you one of those who would never open a chess game with 1.e4... simply because there are just too many Sicilian players out there? Well, Chess World Champion Vishy Anand has shown us timid souls a new path... Or, rather an old one... How do you take the sting out of the Sicilian? John Curdo knows... and now you will too. Stop by for this Weekly Group Lesson where we examine this fascinating story of the just finished 2012 Chess World Championship.”

Here is how you can keep track of when the Weekly Group Lessons are scheduled:

General Info: At the top right of the home page is a set of social media icons. You can click this

to get info on all forms of social media that MetroWest CC uses. Be notified of Weekly Group Lessons, and more.



News Blog: In the center of the home page there is a block dedicated to News Blog. You can read synopsis of entries there, and click the link to go to the full Google Blogger blog. Note, if you have a “reader” for your laptop or mobile device, you can subscribe by clicking the reader icon, and get automatic notifications of new news items.



Calendar: In the center of the home page there is a block dedicated to Monthly Tournaments. At the bottom there is a link and a calendar icon to take you to the calendar page. There you will see a Google Calendar. You can use the calendar directly, to check for new entries. Note, if you use “Google Calendar” on your laptop or mobile device, you can add the MetroWest CC calendar to your calendar, and get new calendar entries automatically added.



Facebook: The MetroWest CC Facebook page is at the link below. Go to the page and “like” us, and receive up to date notifications on your laptop or mobile device:

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/MetroWest-Chess-Club/164738746955775>



Twitter: You can follow MetroWest CC on Twitter [@MetroWestChess](https://twitter.com/MetroWestChess). You can also search on the hashtag [#MetroWestCC](https://twitter.com/hashtag/MetroWestCC), and receive up to date notifications on your laptop or mobile device:



Chronos Clock Update

We have updated the Chronos Community Knowledge page with a few links.

http://metrowestchess.org/Community/Knowledge/Digital_Clocks/Clock_Chronos/Top_Chronos.htm

New links are at the bottom of the page for the Chronos GX clock:



Picture from USCF Sales:

http://www.uscfsales.com/product_p/clkcgx-psh.htm

New! [Link](#) Chronos GX (MCC time control instructions)

New! [Link](#) Chronos GX Manual

Natick Senior Center

Our temporary location as of January 2011 is 90 Oak St. Natick, MA.

Projected date for our move back to the original 117 Central St., Natick location is September 1, 2012

Temporary location, 90 Oak St. Natick, MA is on the westbound side of Route 9 opposite Scrub-a-Dub carwash. The entrance is on Oak Street. It was most recently occupied by Westgate Christian Academy—some people may have known where that was. See map below.



COMPETE

Last Tournament

“MCC Summer Soltice Swiss”

Congratulations to the Winners!

OPEN	Jonathan Yedidia	3.5 / 4.0
U2000	Oleg Poliannikov	3.5 / 4.0
U1700	Alex Kahn	4.0 / 4.0
U1400	D G Bird	4.0 / 4.0



Perfect Scores



Alex Kahn

D G Bird



Photos From Around the Club



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Next Tournament

Weekly Group Lessons

“MCC Independence Day Swiss”



Check calendar on homepage for availability.

When	Tuesdays at 7:30 pm July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 2012
Format	5 - SS 40/90, SD/30
Sections	Open, U2000, U1700, U1400 Open section FIDE rated
Prize Fund	\$ 730 100% Guaranteed
Entry Fee	Club Masters Free MCC Members \$25 Non-members \$30
Prizes	Open \$ 140 - 100 - 80 U2000 \$ 100 - 80 - 40 U1700 \$ 60 - 40 - 20 U1400 \$ 40 - 20 - 10
Championship Points	Open 80 - 50 - 30 - 20 U2000 40 - 25 - 15 U1700 20 - 12 - 8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 25% bonus for winning all games • 15 point bonus for upset win/draw over an 1800+ player and 300/600 rating diff
Forfeit Rule	Players may be re-paired after 30 min
Additional Events	Checkout the Possible Events of Interest link on the Club homepage for other events in the area

Bookseller



Emanuel Rasin of “Books from Europe. Check calendar on homepage for availability

The current championship qualification standings are available online at:

http://www.metrowestchess.org/Compete/Championships/2013/2013_Championship_Qualification_Points_List.pdf

