

## Southwest Chess Club Schedule – Winter 2010

Website: <http://home.roadrunner.com/~swcc/>

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January 14	Ice on Lake Michigan Swiss	Rd1	G/100	March 18	Lions Turning Into Lambs Swiss	Rd 3	G/100
January 21	Ice on Lake Michigan Swiss	Rd2	G/100	March 25	Lions Turning Into Lambs Swiss	Rd 4	G/100
January 28	Ice on Lake Michigan Swiss	Rd3	G/100	April 1	ANNUAL MEETING	Club Business, Casual Chess	
February 4	February is for Lovers Swiss	Rds 1+2 G45		April 8	Melting Ice Action	3 Rds, G/30 & G/29	
February 11	GM ALEX YERMOLINSKY	Lecture and Simul		April 15	Blossoming Flower Power Swiss	Rd 1	G/100
February 18	February is for Lovers Swiss	Rds 3+4 G45		April 17 (Sat)	HALES CORNERS CHALLENGE XI – Saturday event		
February 25	Winter Blitzard V	10 Rounds, BLITZ		April 22	Blossoming Flower Power Swiss	Rd 2	G/100
March 4	Lions Turning Into Lambs Swiss	Rd 1	G/100	April 29	Blossoming Flower Power Swiss	Rd 3	G/100
March 11	Lions Turning Into Lambs Swiss	Rd 2	G/100	May 6	Sunny Blazing Blitz-O-Matic	10 Rounds, Blitz	

Thursday events are held at [St. James Catholic Church](#) in the lower level of the Parish Center building (immediately in front of the church). The address is 7219 South 27th Street in Franklin. Parking in rear, enter through south door. Hours: 6-11 p.m. Thursday tournament Registration: 6- 6:55 p.m. Games begin at 7 p.m.

Every Thursday, you can either join in the action, or play a friendly game, some skittles, or arrange a match, a tournament, or an extra rated game. Ask a Tournament Director for assistance (Allen Becker, Tom Fogec, or Robin Grochowski).

### DESCRIPTION OF TOURNAMENTS AND EVENTS:

**Ice on Lake Michigan Swiss: January 14, 21, & 28**  
3-Round Swiss in Two Sections (Open and U1600). Game/100 minutes. USCF Rated. EF: \$5. (One ½-Point Bye Available for any round (except round three) if requested at least 2-days prior to round). TD is Grochowski; ATD is Fogec.

**GRANDMASTER YERMOLINSKY Lecture and Simultaneous: FEBRUARY 11 – 6:30 pm.**  
GM Yermolinsky will give a free lecture, 6:30-7:15. Simultaneous exhibition, \$10/board, 7:30-10:30.

**February is for Lovers Swiss: February 4 & 18**  
4-Round Swiss in One Section, Two games per night. (Tournament skips a week, Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>, for Yermolinsky lecture/simul). Game/45 minutes. USCF (dual) Rated. EF: \$5. (One ½-Point Bye Available for any round (except round four) if requested at least 2-days prior to round). TD is Fogec; ATD is Grochowski.

**Winter Blitzard V: February 25**  
10-Round (Round-Robin) in one or more sections (depending on number of players). Game/5 minutes. USCF Quick-Rated. EF: \$5. TD is Becker; ATD is Fogec.

**Lions Turning Into Lambs Swiss: March 4, 11, 18 & 25** 4-Round Swiss in Two Sections (Open and U1600). Game/100 minutes. USCF Rated. EF: \$5. (One ½-Point Bye Available for any round (except round four) if requested at least 2-days prior to round). TD is Grochowski; ATD is Fogec.

### **Annual SWCC Meeting: April 1**

Come discuss Club business and vote for Board officers for the upcoming year. Casual chess after meeting. (Door prize drawing after Annual SWCC Meeting to meeting participants).

### **Melting Ice Action IV: April 8**

3-Round Swiss in Two Sections (G/30 Minutes and G/29 Minutes). USCF Rated. EF: \$5. (½-Point Bye available for only first round if requested prior to round) TD is Becker; ATD is Grochowski.

### **Upcoming Events into next Spring and beyond!:**

**Blossoming Flower Power Swiss: April 15, 22 & 29** 3-Round Swiss in Two Sections (Open and U1600). Game/100 minutes. USCF Rated. EF: \$5. (One ½-Point Bye Available for any round (except round three) if requested at least 2-days prior to round). TD is Fogec; ATD is Grochowski.

### **Hales Corners Challenge XI**

**USCF Grand Prix Points: 10. April 17, 2010.**

4SS, G/60. 2 Sections: Open & Reserve (under 1600). **Crowne Plaza Milwaukee Airport Hotel—6401 S. 13<sup>th</sup> Street** (near airport). EF: \$35-Open, \$25-Reserve, both \$5 more after 4/14. Comp EF for USCF 2200+, contact TD for details. \$\$ Open=1st-\$325 (guaranteed), 2nd-\$175 (guaranteed), A-\$100, B & Below-\$75; \$\$ Reserve =1st-\$100, 2nd-\$75, D-\$50, E & Below-\$40. Reg: 8:30-9:30, Rds: 10-1-3:30-6. Ent: Payable to SWCC, c/o Allen Becker, 6105 Thorncrest Drive, Greendale, WI 53129 ([allenbecker@wi.rr.com](mailto:allenbecker@wi.rr.com)). **QUESTIONS TO:** TD Robin Grochowski—414-744-4872 (home) or 414-861-2745 (cell)

### **Sunny Blazing Blitz-O-Matic: May 6**

10-Round (Round-Robin) in one or more sections (depending on number of players). Game/5 minutes. USCF Quick-Rated. EF: \$5. TD is Becker; ATD is Fogec.

### **Days Are Getting Longer Round-Robin: May 13, 20, & 27**

3-Round "Round-Robin" (a "Quad"). Four chess players to a Quad. Game/90 minutes. USCF Rated. EF: \$5. TD is Grochowski; ATD is Fogec.

### **Heatwave Action III: June 3**

3-Round Swiss in Two Sections (G/30 Minutes and G/29 Minutes). USCF Rated. EF: \$5. (½-Point Bye available for only first round if requested prior to round) TD is Becker; ATD is Grochowski.

### **Summer Steamy Humid Swiss: June 10, 17 & 24**

3-Round Swiss in Two Sections (Open and U1600). Game/100 minutes. USCF Rated. EF: \$5. (One ½-Point Bye Available for any round (except round three) if requested at least 2-days prior to round). TD is Fogec; ATD is Grochowski.

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### **SWCC Simul Kickoff: July 1**

John Becker (2009 SWCC Club Champion) will give a lecture and a simul. This is a free event.

### **Southwest Chess Club Championship: July 8, 15, 22, 29 & August 5 & 12**

6-Round Swiss in One Section. Game/100. USCF Rated. EF: \$7. (must be a member to participate). SWCC Membership \$10 (can join prior to first round). (Two ½-point byes available in rounds 1 through 5 if requested at least 2-days in advance; no byes available for round 6.) TD is Becker; ATD is Grochowski.

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#### **Videos and DVDs for rent (for club members):**

The club has 26 DVDs, 3 CDs, and 51 VHS videotapes of chess-related material. The rental cost is \$3 for DVD/CD, and \$2 for VHS, for a 3-week period. See Robin Grochowski for a list of available titles (and also posted on our website).

#### **Southwest Chess Club: Henry Meiffert Memorial**

**Library** We have a very large library of Chess Books.

See Andrew

Grochowski for a list of books, and more information (book list also posted on our web site).

### **CLUB LADDER**

The Club has an ongoing Ladder. Ladders are another way of ranking players. The name Ladder came from a system based on the principle of rungs; i.e., winning games will move you up the rungs of the Ladder and losing games will move you down. Your initial goal is to win against an opponent listed on the Ladder. Once you are visible on the Ladder your goal changes to climbing your way up the rungs until you are in first place.

### **THURSDAY NIGHT**

#### **LECTURE SERIES – Summer 2010**

Every Thursday night at 6 PM (right before the usual games begin). Instructive lectures. Watch our blog for weekly announcements (<http://swccchess.blogspot.com/>). If possible, we will continue the lecture series into fall 2010.



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