2018 CJCC January Newsletter

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December concluded the fantastic year we've had for chess. The past year, the CJCC has gone through many changes. We've implemented many plans to improve education for chess players, make tournaments and events more efficient, and improve overall chess literacy in the community. We, as a non-profit organization, are devoted to helping everyone get into chess.

Let's take a look at what has been accomplished this last year.

- We've started this newsletter to inform community members about chess events and news in order to help players be more active in chess
- We've started a volunteer program that will bring in the much needed help to run tournaments and events
- We've expanded the space we have available to us, in order to meet the needs of a growing population of chess players
- We've started to accept credit card payment online

There are still many improvements that could be made, and issues that need to be addressed. Thank you to everyone that supported the CJCC through this year, and thank you to everyone who enjoys the work that we do.

This upcoming year, we will have many more tournaments and events happening at the chess club. Here is a schedule outlining some major events happening this year.

Date	Tournament	Location	Details
Saturday Jan 13, 2018	New Year's Tournament	Calgary Chess Club	1:00 – 5:00pm
Saturday Jan 20, 2018	Calgary Youth Regional	Calgary Chess Club	Qualifier for AB Youth Championship 10:00 – 5:00pm with pizza lunches included Must pre-register online by Jan. 17
Sunday Jan 28, 2018	January Chess School	Calgary Chess Club	1:00 – 5:00pm
Saturday Feb 03, 2018	Valentine's Day Tournament	Calgary Chess Club	1:00 – 5:00pm
Saturday Feb 10, 2018	Calgary Chess Challenge	Calgary Chess Club	Qualifier for Alberta Chess Challenge 10:00 – 5:00pm with pizza lunches included Must pre-register online by Feb. 7

Sunday Feb 18, 2018	February Chess School	Calgary Chess Club	1:00 – 5:00pm
Feb 24/25, 2018	Alberta Youth Championship	Calgary Chess Club	Qualifier for Canadian Youth Championship Two-day ACA event
Saturday March 03, 2018	St Patrick's Tournament	Calgary Chess Club	1:00 – 5:00pm
Sunday March 18, 2017	March Chess School	Calgary Chess Club	1:00 – 5:00pm
Saturday March 24, 2018	Alberta Chess Challenge	Red Deer	Qualifier for Canadian Chess Challenge
Saturday April 7, 2018	Easter Tournament	Calgary Chess Club	1:00 – 5:00pm
Sunday April 22, 2018	April Chess School	Calgary Chess Club	1:00 – 5:00pm
Saturday April 28, 2018	Calgary School Championship	Calgary Chess Club	School Championship tournament 10:00 – 5:00pm with pizza lunches included Must pre-register online by April 25
Saturday May 5, 2018	Spring Fling Tournament	Calgary Chess Club	1:00 – 5:00pm
Sunday May 27, 2017	May Chess School	Calgary Chess Club	1:00 – 5:00pm
Saturday June 02, 2018	CJCC Club championship	Calgary Chess Club	Club Championship tournament 10:00 – 5:00pm with pizza lunches included New this season: Travel grants will be awarded to top 2 winners in each section.
Sunday June 17, 2018	AGM and June Chess School	Calgary Chess Club	1:00 – 5:00pm

A physical copy of this schedule can be found at the club. For more information regarding specific events, please visit our website.

Christmas Tournament

December 2, 2017

The Christmas Tournament was the first event at the club this December. Going into the holiday season, the club had less events going on. This tournament was a bit of light fun going into the holidays. Players were again separated into three sections: Novice, Intermediate, and Open. 69 players participated in this tournament! Congratulations to all our winners!

Open	Intermediate	Novice
1st: Andre Tolentino 2nd: Aditya Raninga 3rd: Maxim Bryuzgin 4th: Dulguun Bayarsaikhan 5th: Chase Rupprecht 6th: Prerana Manoj	1st: Manish Samy 2nd: Avery Li 3rd: Jonas Otto 4th: Dominic Knoll 5th: Khino Tolentino 6th: Riley Wheadon	1st: Jerry Yuen 2nd: Alexander Nikolov 3rd: Daniel Suchand 4th: Aneesh Bungay 5th: Nathan Choi 6th: Lauren Spicer

Final standings can be found at https://www.calgaryjuniorchess.com/CJCC/event/Result/6784.

December Chess School and Christmas Party

December 17, 2017

The last chess school of 2017 was held with our Christmas Party. There was food, drinks, and overall a more lively atmosphere than other chess schools. The instruction for chess school revolved around bughouse, from how to play to bughouse strategies. At every chess school, we hold a tournament at the end of the lessons. This time, we held a bughouse tournament for the enjoyment of the players. A fun variant to play with friends, this chess school introduced bughouse to many players.



Players in the Bughouse Tournament

Calgary Junior Chess Club Expansion



As many in our chess community know, the Calgary Junior Chess Club has recently started renting building off to the side of the old one. As our club has expands, with more and more players coming in, we simply don't have the space and resources to hold tournaments of that size. The education and enjoyment of our players is incredibly important, which is why with this expansion, we'll have more space to work with. Intermediate and Open players will be heading to the building for tournaments.

Upcoming Events

New Years Tournament

Saturday, January 13, 1:00-5:00 PM

The New Years Tournament is a great tournament to start off this year in chess. Like any other monthly tournament, this is a great opportunity to hone skills and have fun.

To help us start on time, please register online at http://www.calgaryjuniorchess.com/CJCC/event/event/6784.

January Chess School

Sunday, January 28, 1:00-5:00 PM

The Chess School is an excellent opportunity for players of all levels to enhance their game. Like the monthly tournament, players are divided into four groups based on experience. They will be given lessons by some of Calgary's best players. A small tournament will follow, with prizes for everyone!

To make the registration process more efficient, please register online at https://www.calgaryjuniorchess.com/CJCC/event/event/7700.

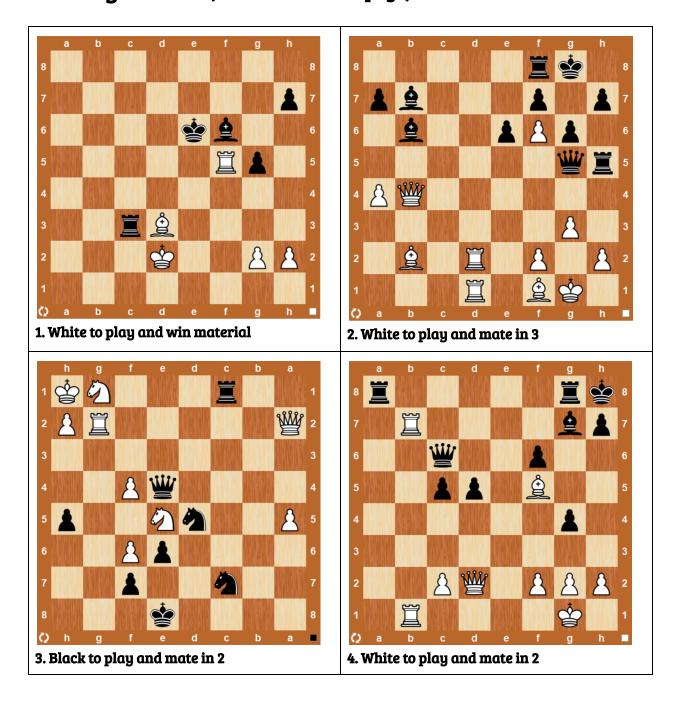
Calgary Youth Championship

Saturday, January 20, 10:00-5:00 PM

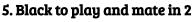
The Calgary Youth Championship is a great way to practice and prepare for the provincials. The tournament is divided into 6 sections based on age. Winners in each section receive free entry to the Alberta Youth Championship and \$100 worth of chess coaching. Sections are divided into age categories. Time control for games is 25 minutes with a 5 second delay. For more information please visit our website.

NOTE: There will be NO on-site registration at this tournament! We are trying to make the registration process more efficient in order to start on time. Please register online at: https://www.calgaryjuniorchess.com/CJCC/event/event/7779

Monthly Puzzles (Solutions on back page)









6. White to play and mate in 2

Monthly Puzzle Solutions:

- 1. 1. Rxf6+ Kxf6 2. Kxc3
- 2. 1. Qxf8+ Kxf8 2. Rd8+ Bxd8 3. Rxd8#
- 3. 1... Rxg1+ 2. Kxg1 Qe1#
- 4. 1. Qh6 Bxh6 2. Rxh7#
- 5. 1... Rh1+ 2. Kxh1 Qf1#
- 6. 1. Qb7+ Kxa5 2. Qa7#