

TACOMA CHESS TIMES

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ANDERSON & BUCK TIE IN TCC QUICK TOURNY

Steve Buck & Larry Anderson tied for 1st in the TCC Quick Tournament held on 9/5. There were 9 players in all. Time control was G/15. Anderson beat Buck in R-4.TD, Gary Dorfner.

WARD WINS G/15 ELIMINATION TOURNY

8 players competed in the TCC Elimination Tournament held on 9/12. The winners were: 1st John Ward, 2nd Steve Buck, 3rd Larry Anderson, and 4th Bill Rogers. TD, Gary Dorfner.

MIKE MACGREGOR IS CLUB CHAMPION FOR 2003

The TCC Championship started Sept. 19th & concluded on Oct. 24th. 11 players showed up for this tournament, a small turnout compared to passed tournaments. The winners were: 1st Mike MacGregor, Class A Larry Anderson, Class B Stephen Buck, Class C Frank Marion, and Class D Roel Gracia. Tom O'Hearne II is the TCC Jr. Champion. Each winner was awarded a certificate, coffee cup, book & a club hat. Steve Buck was also the runner-up but there was no 2nd place prize. TD Gary Dorfner.

BUCK & MACGREGOR TIE FOR 1ST IN THE 81ST PUGET SOUND OPEN

The 81st Puget Sound Open was held at the club on Nov. 1-2. A total of 18 players showed up to compete for the \$291.00 prize fund. The winners were: 1st Steve Buck & Mike MacGregor \$84.00 each, (Buck also won the Group #2 prize) Group #1 Kirk Steinocher \$65.00, and Group #3 Eric Holcomb, Mike Moore & Darren Wu \$18.66 each.

There were a number of upsets, Steve Buck 1704 beat Mike MacGregor 2120, Paul Bartron 2092 & drew Neil Salmon 2225. TD Gary Dorfner.

Robert Brewster who lives in Van. BC & has played in Tacoma tournaments in the past has donated 50 boards & sets to the club. They will be given away as prizes in both weekend & Friday night tournaments. Some of them will be sold to make money for the club. Our thanks go to him for this donation.

Our club membership has decreased the last few months. We encourage you if you are not a member to renew or join. Please let us know if you have any suggestions to improve the club memberships.

Our thanks go to Mr. John Ward & Mr. Charles Chamberlain for their donation of several books & trophies & 2 videos to the club.

Starting in the New Year, weekend tournaments will be held at the University Place & Lakewood Libraries. Also we will have one-day tournaments at the libraries. Our first at the University Place Library will be the Washington Quick Chess Championship (G/29) December 20. The Christmas Congress, December 28,29 will still be at the club at the American Legion Hall.

The club library is in the process of being reorganized. Mr. Dorfner the Librarian is inventorying the books, videos, audiocassettes & computer programs & magazines currently in the library. Mr. Dorfner has most of the stuff stored in his home, as the club does not have room it at the club site. If an item is requested that he has at home, then he will bring it down the following Friday night.

Be sure to come to these tournaments.

Dec. 12,19,26 there will be Christmas Action tournaments. G/30, 2 rounds each night. Free entry.

The Washington Quick Chess Championship (G/29) Dec. 20th is at the University Place Library. **\$\$\$ 260 PRIZE FUND B/20. 1st\$80 2nd \$70 UNDER 1800 \$55 UNDER 1500 \$55.** Entry fee \$20.00. Reg. is 9:15-9:45 am. Round 1 starts at 10:00. This is a 5 round Swiss.

The Christmas Congress Dec. 27-28 is at the club in the American Legion Hall. Entry fee is \$25.00 advance, \$35.00 at site. 5 round Swiss. Reg. 9:00-9:45 am. Round 1 starts at 10:00. Certificate for top economy player (Players that enter for \$10). **THE MORE PLAYERS WE HAVE, THE HIGHER THE PRIZE FUND AND THE BETTER THE COMPETITION. 25% of EF** (Full Playing entries) **FOR 1ST PRIZE.** 15%, 14%, and 13% for top player in each of the 3 equal groups. **BONUS** Sets, boards and books for 2nds, Economy and Jrs. Something for everyone.

For more info on these tournaments e-mail Gary at ggarychess@aol.com or call him at 253/535-2536.

Be sure to come to our Annual Meeting, January 30 to express yourself.

TACOMA CHESS CLUB---Open Fridays starting at 7:15 pm

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