

Happy Holidays!

May you and your family have a delightful season
And have some fun with some holiday chess games!

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Pizza, Draw Prizes and Chess: Joyful experiences at Christmas tournament

After a pizza lunch for parents and players, compliments of the Society of Alberta Chess Knights, 34 players settled down to chess at Edmonton Chess Club on Sunday, December 11.

Attendance at this Christmas tournament was much lower than normal and some players dropped out after registered, but the event ran smoothly with seven sections of competition.

A new feature which is expected to be a regular occurrence was internet participating with two players from the Fort McMurray Scholastic Club. Under super-

vision at both end, the players played in Sections F and G which showed that even the younger players can handle rated competition over the internet.

It is expected that there will be further internet play so that Albertans and perhaps even players further afield can participate in tournaments without the expense of travel. Matches may be set up with junior chess clubs elsewhere in the country.

Many draw prizes were awarded at the tournament and a pizza lunch toonie draw netted Adam Mawani a \$33 prize.

Results of the tournament are:

Section A:

1. David McCullough, 2. Derek Thomas, 3. Noah Hoffner, 4. Mark Nie

Section B:

1. Kaixin Wang, 2. Ian McCullough, 3. Prabjeet Bansal, 4. Henry Song

Section C:

1. Aren Zita, Tied 2-4: Zack Kirsch, David Yao and Adam Mawani

Section D:

1. Matthew Zita, Tied 2-3: Alex Broughton & Siddhartha Chitrakar, 4. Lenard Grossmann, 5. Filip Stevanovic, 6. Collin Harrison

Section E:

1. Raghu Manohar, 2. Prayus Shrestha, 3. Daniel Zhang, 4. Alvin Wu

Section F:

1. Andi Superceanu, Tied 2-3: Johnny Burn and Victor Robbins, 4. Adrian Kovac, 5. Ada Broughton, 6. Joshua Gamache

Section G:

1. Nabil Kassam, 2. Andrew Carlson, 3. Robert Gibson, Tied 4-5: Eric Li and Cade Gyte, 6. Julian Lau

Directors: B. Thomas, R. McCullough, J. Wang, P. Li and Jina Burn



Another Newsletter will be issued between Christmas and New Year's giving the complete 2012 schedule, but meanwhile register for these events online because entries are limited to 16.

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Alberta Recreational Chess League Skins Cash Tournament #3

for Adults and Scholastic Players rated above 1200 C'nM Entry \$10 adult \$5 student Cash prize for each game won or drawn

Saturday, December 31, 10 a.m.

at Roving ChessNuts, 12013 76 Street

Beginners Scholastic Chess Tournaments

**Monday, Jan. 2 and Wednesday, Jan. 4
7 p.m. each date - at Roving ChessNuts**

Free entry to scholastic players if playing outside their school program for the first time or otherwise \$10. Playing for medals and ribbons.

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