

Often referred to as Japanese Chess - a great strategical game

GO A free introductory workshop on Thursday, February 10 at the Roving ChessNuts, 12013 76 Street, starting 7 p.m.

Chess players & Families invited! Just show up and have fun learning another challenging game!

Roving ChessNuts CHESS Teasers

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Chocolate prizes a hit at Pre-Valentine's Tournament

Due to Edmonton Chess Club being a busy place with other tournaments during February, including this coming weekend's Alberta Youth Chess Championships, the usual Society of Alberta Chess Knights

(SACK) Valentine's Tournament had to be held January 30.

A Valentine's theme was still recognized with the awarding of eight hearts filled with candy treats. As usual, a draw was held for each section

of players.

Thanks to Rob McCullough, Bruce Thomas, Colin Broughten for directing the tournament, to Kathy and Tony Chan for operating the snack concession and players for participating.

Results of Pre-Valentine's Tournament

Section A: 1. Noah Hoffner, 2. Dennis Situ, 3-4. David McCullough and Jakob Kaiser

Section B: 1. Ian McCullough, 2. Henry Song, 3. Sebastien Despres, 4. Lukas Muliawan

Section C: 1. Allan Stanislus, 2. Kaining Lin, 3-4. Kaixin Wang and Zachary Kirsch

Section D: 1. David Yao, 2. Darren Li, 3. Rayden Lin, 4. Austin Hesse, 5-6. Alex Broughton and Filip Stevanovic

Section E: 1. Vinh Nguyen, 2. Adam

Mawani, 3. John Cervantes, 4-5. Boris Stevanovic and Ibrahim Elmallah, 6. Jeremy Kerr

Section F: 1. Raghu Manohar, 2. Kevin Stanislus, 3. YingTu Li, 4-6. Diana Muzyka, Patrick Cervantes and Zachary Chaisson

Section G: 1. Praanesh Sureshkumar, 2. Alvin Wu, 3. Stefan Stanesco, 4. Dean Holbertson, 5. Siddhartha Chitrakar

Section H: 1. Alex Apostulo, 2. Ada Broughton, 3. Haresh Sureshkumar, 4. Jacques Zhang 5. Andrew Chan



Left, Section A players; right, Section H

Alberta Youth Chess Championships this weekend

Over two dozen of the most keen chess players, mainly from Edmonton and Calgary, will be battling in age groups (under 8, under 10, under 12, under 14, under 16 and under 18) to earn an Alberta Championship and be sponsored by the Alberta Chess Association to attend the Canadian Youth Chess Championships July 6-9 in Richmond, Ontario.

You must be a CFC member to be in this event and you must be willing to play games with long time controls and play only five games over the entire

weekend. Full details can be found by following the home page link at www.rovingchessnuts.com.

Chess Explosions

A separate flyer on chess promotional events at four Edmonton library branches is also attached to this e-mailed newsletter. Players rated under 800 are invited to attend these events for practice and help interest brand new players into organized chess. You do not have to register, just show up at the branch on the day and time shown on the flyer.

Upcoming Chess Events

For more information and online registration for these events, go to:

www.rovingchessnuts.com

February 12 and 13 - Alberta Youth Chess Championships at Edmonton Chess Club.

Saturday, February 12 - Chess Explosion for new scholastic players and families at Castle Downs Library, 1 p.m.

February 19 and 20 - Northern Alberta Open at Edmonton Chess Club, a CFC long-time control event, 5 games over two days, go to: <http://albertachess.org/2011NAO.html> for details.

Saturday, February 19 - Chess Explosion for new scholastic players and families at Castle Downs Library, 1 p.m.

Sunday, February 20 - Girls Only Tournament at Roving ChessNuts, 12013 76 Street; register online, sign in by 12:50 p.m.

Tuesday, February 22 - Chess Explosion for new scholastic players and families at Riverbend Library, 7 p.m.

Saturday, February 26 - Chess Explosion for new scholastic players at Woodcroft Library, 1 p.m.

Sunday, February 27 - Elementary School Team Match at Edmonton Chess Club, register online, sign in by 12:50 p.m.

Tuesday, March 1 - Chess Explosion for new scholastic players at Riverbend Library, 7 p.m.

Saturday, March 5 - Chess Explosion for new scholastic players at Strathcona Branch Library, 1 p.m.

Saturday, March 5 - Chess Explosion for new scholastic players at Woodcroft Branch Library, 1 p.m.

Sunday, March 6 - Edmonton Regional Warm-Up Scholastic Tournament (Grades K thru 12) Ed. Chess Club, register online, sign in by 12:50 p.m.

Sunday, March 6 - Chess Explosion at Sherwood Park Library, 1:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 20 - Edmonton Regional Challenge (qualifier for Alberta Challenge), register online, sign in by 12:50 p.m.

Saturday, April 16 - Alberta Chess Challenge in Red Deer.

February, March, April and May - Chess Classes at Roving ChessNuts on Monday evenings (jr. and sr. high students only), Wednesday evenings (all rating levels), Friday evenings (intermediate-advance), Saturday mornings (beginners) 780-474-2318