



Chess Club Observer

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Matt Cremeens Wins March Tournament

The Springfield Chess Club hosted its first tournament of the year on March 24. Turnout was up; 23 chess players plus one houseman participated, the highest turnout at any SCC regular one-day tournament since December 2004. Turnout was sufficient that we were able to raise the prize fund from 57.5% of advertised (the requirement based on pre-tournament publicity) to 70%. Every little bit helps!

Matt Cremeens, of Springfield, swept the tournament and took first place with a perfect score of 4-0. A four-way tie for second place included the Class A-B and C-D prizes. The four runners-up were Richard Kujoth, Tobias Simpson, and Brian Villarreal, all of the Champaign-Urbana area, and Dan Tuttle, of St. Louis. They scored 3 points.

Will Kerns, of Franklin, won the Class E prize. He scored 2½ points. Ian Chong, and Marc Mc Conney, both of Champaign, scored 2 points and shared the unrated prize.

Complete results of the tournament are on page 2.

Next Regular Tournament May 12

The Springfield Chess Club's next tournament will be held Saturday, March 12, at the Signature Inn. Registration ends at 8:45, and the four rounds are at 9, 12, 3, and 6. Time limit is G/80. Entry fee is \$17 in advance, \$20 at the door, \$2 discount for club members.

City Championship Postponed Indefinitely

Because of scheduling foul-ups, the city championship will not be held on April 28 as originally scheduled. It may be re-scheduled for later in the year, if it is, the details will be in a future issue of the newsletter.

Thanks

...to two anonymous donors who have contributed to the SCC in the past three months.

Final Wall Chart – March 24, 2007

Rank	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Total
1	Brian Thomas	2018	W12	D6	LH	W11	2½
2	Richard Kujoth	1900	W14	W7	W5	L4	3
3	Jeff Davis	1852	W15	L8	L6	----	1
4	Matt Cremeens	1698	W16	W22	W8	W2	4
5	Bruce Michel	1694	W17	W23	L2	D6	2½
6	Tobias Simpson	1677	W18	D1	W3	D5	3
7	Brian Villarreal	1503	W19	L2	W15	W23	3
8	Cameron Heino	1450	W20	W3	L4	L10	2
9	Laszlo Naszodi	1444	W21	LH	W16	Half	2½
10	Dan Tuttle	1394	L22	W13	W18	W8	3
11	Daunte Carter	1382	L23	W17	W22	L1	2
12	James Ruth	1177	L1	L18	L13	----	0
13	Will Kerns	1172	DH	L10	W12	W14	2½
14	Luke Brodland	1062	L2	W19	L23	L13	1
15	Larry Coulter	1056	L3	W20	L7	L22	1
16	Scott Beatty	1043	L4	W21	L9	W18	2
17	Richard Huls	1021	L5	L11	W20	W21	2
18	Doug Coddling	979	L6	W12	L10	L16	1
19	Jacob Huls	545	L7	L14	L21	L20	0
20	Henry Rappleyea	unr.	L8	L15	L17	W19	1
21	Bill Voss	unr.	L9	L16	W19	L17	1
22	Ian Gee Chein Chong	unr.	W10	L4	L11	W15	2
23	Marc Mc Conney	unr.	W11	L5	W14	L7	2
<i>H</i>	<i>David Long</i>	<i>2000</i>	<i>D13</i>	<i>W9</i>	<i>W1</i>	<i>----</i>	<i>2½</i>

Meetings

The SCC meets Wednesday nights, from 6 to 10 p.m., at the American Legion Post 32, between 5th and 6th Streets, half a block south of Capitol Ave., downtown.

On the second Friday of each month, we meet from 6 to 10 p.m. in the café section of Barnes & Noble, near the corner of Route 4 and Wabash Ave.

Area Tournament Schedule

Date	City	Reg Ends	Contact	Phone
April 28-29	St. Louis, Mo.	9:30	Mo. Chess Assn.	(314) 822-5334
May 12	Springfield, Ill.	8:45	Tom Knoedler	(217) 787-1048

WANTED: “Post-a-log” folder, for keeping track of correspondence chess games in progress, or equivalent, with space for at least 6 boards. Call James 522-3734