



# Chess Club Observer

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## Skorobogatykh Wins First Post-Covid Tourney

People must have missed their chess! On June 18, the SCC hosted its first tournament since the Covid outbreak, and 38 chess players participated, our highest turnout in eight years. The club used a new location, the Southern View Village Hall, to host the tournament.

With a 4-0 score, Andrei Skorobogatykh, of Champaign, swept the tournament and won first place overall. In second place, and tied for the first in Class A-B, there were Bruce Michel, of Decatur, and Vamsi Munaganuri, of Bloomington, each with 3½ points. In the Class C-D section, Jimmie Cecil, of Springfield, won with 3 points.

In the Class E division, Shrimidhin Senthilkumar, of Bloomington, and Jared Dong, of Aurora, scored 3 points. Among unrated players, Landon Wellman, of Quincy, scored 3 points, just ahead of Gavin Martin, of Chatham, who had 2½.

The club would especially like to recognize the 12 unrated participants who were playing in their first tournament. In addition to the above-mentioned winner and runner-up, these were Rivver Bonner, Eric Glover, Aaron Hong, Joseph Johnson, Parker Norris, Maverick Powell, Andrew Riggs, Morgan Scheer, Yuan Wen, and Peyton Williams. We hope all of you become regular participants!

Complete results of the tournament are on page 2.

## Welcome New Members

Veer Garg, of Springfield; Morgan Scheer, of Chatham; and Landon Wellman, of Quincy, have joined the Springfield Chess Club. Welcome to the club! Membership now stands at 24.

Additionally, the club wishes good luck to Eric Fortmeyer, who is moving to Wisconsin.

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**Come join us!** The Springfield Chess Club meets weekly on Wednesday evenings, 5-7 p.m. at the White Oaks Mall food court, on the second Monday of each month, 6-7:45 p.m. in the multipurpose room at Lincoln Library, and on the third Friday of each month, 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Harvest Market in West White Oaks Plaza. Meetings are canceled on holidays when the hosting facility is closed. At other times, try the online Springfield Chess Club at <https://www.chess.com/club/springfield-chess-club-1>.

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SCC memberships expire on December 31 (regular) or June 30 (scholastic). If your membership is expiring (check your mailing label), please renew today! To renew, return this stub and a check payable to Springfield Chess Club to: Springfield Chess Club, c/o David Long, 401 S. Illinois St., Springfield, Ill. 62704.

New members, please use the full page forms available at: [www.springfieldchessclub.com/join.htm](http://www.springfieldchessclub.com/join.htm).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  \$12 Regular  \$5 Scholastic

Write any changes to your contact information below. If no changes since last year, check here →

## Next Tournament November 5

Our next tournament will be held Saturday, November 5, at Southern View Village Hall, 3410 S. 5<sup>th</sup> St. Registration ends at 9:45; round times are 10, 1, 3:30, and 6, with a lunch break after round 1. Entry fee is \$17 in advance, \$20 on site, with a \$2 discount to SCC members. Prize fund is \$400 based on 30 paid entries. Mark your calendars today!

## Complete Results, June 18, 2022

Rank	Name	Rating	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Total
1	Andrei Skorobogatykh	2043	W20	W10	W8	W2	4
2	Zhengdao Lyu	1812	W21	W9	W7	L1	3
3	Bill Smythe	1800	W22	D12	D11	D15	2½
4	Seth Chiles	1764	W23	L11	L18	W23	2
5	Bruce Michel	1689	W24	D14	W13	W18	3½
6	Vamsi Munaganuri	1620	W25	D15	W14	W11	3½
7	Jimmie Cecil	1504	W26	W17	L2	W24	3
8	Scott Steward	1403	W27	W35	L1	HALF	2½
9	Varun Gurramkonda	1458	W28	L2	W26	L32	2
10	Ciaran O'Neill	1448	W29	L1	W25	L17	2
11	Brooks Sonethongkam	1403	W30	W4	D3	L6	2½
12	Kaylee Zheng	1229	W31	D3	L15	W21	2½
13	John Austin	1171	D32	W19	L5	W23	2½
14	Srikar Jayam	1110	W33	D5	L6	W31	2½
15	Shrimidhin Senthilkumar	1041	W34	D6	W12	D3	3
16	Ty Dooley	1040	L35	L18	L23	HALF	½
17	Jared Dong	1023	W36	L7	W27	W10	3
18	Joyce Zheng	1012	D37	W16	W4	L5	2½
19	Shrijit Senthilkumar	986	W38	L13	L32	W34	2
20	Mahendra Lavanur	966	L1	W29	D31	L30	1½
21	Brian Clotfelder	816	L2	W28	W35	L12	2
22	Ben Von Behren	758	L3	L31	L30	W38	1
23	Shreyas Erasani	746	L4	D30	W16	L13	1½
24	Anya Vijay	741	L5	W33	W37	L7	2
25	Erick Gomez	627	L6	W34	L10	L35	1
26	Tirth Patel	606	L7	W36	L9	W37	2
27	Aaron Hong	unr.	L8	W38	L17	L36	1
28	Morgan Scheer	unr.	L9	L21	L36	W29	1
29	Peyton Williams	unr.	L10	L20	L34	L28	0
30	Gavin Martin	unr.	L11	D23	W22	W20	2½
31	Joseph Johnson	unr.	L12	W22	D20	L14	1½
32	Landon Wellman	unr.	D13	D37	W19	W9	3
33	Rivver Bonner	unr.	L14	L24	W38	L4	1
34	Yuan Wen	unr.	L15	L25	W29	L19	1
35	Eric Glover	unr.	W16	L8	L21	W25	2
36	Andrew Riggs	unr.	L17	L26	W28	W27	2
37	Maverick Powell	unr.	D18	D32	L24	L26	1
38	Parker Norris	unr.	L19	L27	L33	L22	0