

# 2015 B.C. Chess Challenge (Provincial) 卑詩省国际象棋挑战赛-总决赛

Invitation to all grades K-12 chess players who scored 2.5points or higher in any of the regional qualifier events 邀请所有在任何区域预选赛得 2.5 分以上的 K-12 年级的国际象棋选手

# What is Canadian Chess Challenge?

The Canadian Chess Challenge, organized by Chess'n Math Association, is a national chess tournament for players from grades 1 to 12. Each of the 10 provinces selects 12 representatives, one per grade, to participate in an intensive 9-round event over two days. Players not only compete to be the national champion, but also participate as team members to play for their provinces' honor. The first championship was held in 1989, and this year will be the 27<sup>th</sup> tournament. It will be held in Quebec City, Quebec during the Victoria long weekend (May 17-18, 2015). Team B.C. have put in strong performance over the years, we have come in second place 5 times and third 16 times.

Please visit Chess'n Math Association's website for more information about the organization: http://chess-math.org/

## Who will be selected as Team B.C. members?

The section champion (Grade 1 to 12) of this provincial event will be invited to join Team B.C. to compete in the Canadian Chess Challenge 2014.

## British Columbia vs. Washington International Match

This is the 24<sup>th</sup> year of the international match between B.C. and Washington. Two players from grade K to 12 will be selected to participate in this event. The Champions of grades K -12 of B.C. Provincial Chess Challenge will be representing B.C. to play against Washington on Board 1. Board 2 players will be the player with the highest CFC or CMA ratings as of Feb 1, 2015. This year, Chess4Life will be hosting the INTERMAT in Washington. Date & location will be advised.

## Sponsors:

Vancouver Chess School (VCS) is the organizer for the Provincial Chess Challenge. Revenue of this event will be used to cover expenses, and support chess champions in terms of travel subsidies and training sessions. Team B.C. members will receive 3 full-days training to prepare for their national competition.

Any donation and sponsorship are welcome. This year, the goal of our donation funds is to financially support Team B.C. members and coaches to attend both the Canadian Chess Challenge in Quebec City as well as INTERMAT in Washington.

# Eligibility 资格:

All students Grades K – 12 who scored 2.5 points or higher in the Vancouver regional 1 & 2, Burnaby Regional, Fraser Valley regional & Victoria Regional are invited to participate. Please find the list of qualified players here highlighted in red: <u>http://www.vanchess.ca/events?events[0]=9</u> (Please enter  $\rightarrow$  start date: November 2014 / event type: Regional)

# Date 日期: Mar 1, 2015 (Sunday)

Location 地点: Vancouver Chess School 温哥华国际象棋学校 Arbutus Shopping Centre # 252-4255 Arbutus Street, Vancouver, BC (All day free parking) \*Use the entrance next to A & W Restaurant; take the escalator up to 2nd floor - Unit 252

# Format 赛制:

K-12th Grades, 13 Sections. K-12 年级, 分十三组别。 5 rounds Regular Swiss; CMA rated. 5 局瑞士赛制; CMA 计分

Please note that some groups may be combined if sections are small. 请注意如果每组人数太少,有些组别可能合并。 Chess sets and clocks are provided. 提供象棋和棋钟。

# Prizes 奖品:

Trophies are awarded to the top 3 finishers in each section. 每组别的前 3 名将获得奖杯。

## Check in Time 报到时间:

No Check in is required. Pairing will be ready at 9:45am.

Please check your board number and your colour next to your name on the pairing sheet. Report to your section (example: Grade 1) when doors open. Round 1 will starts at 10:00am sharp. We will start the clock at assigned round time.

| Round Time                      |
|---------------------------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> round – 10:00am |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> round – 11:15am |
| Lunch after round 2             |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> round – 1:00pm  |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> round – 2:00pm  |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> round – 3:00pm  |
| Awards – estimated at 4:30pm    |

## Bye Request 轮空要求:

If you cannot attend all 5 rounds, maximum of 2 zero point byes is allowed. Request must be made at least ½ hour before the round starts. 如果你不能参加所有 5 个回合,你必须在赛前半小时请求不超过 2 次零分轮空。

## Time control 时间限制:

Game in 25 Minutes with 5 increments. 每场 25 分钟加 5 秒。

## Tie Breaks 个人决胜局:

- 1. Direct Encounter (Head to Head)
- 2. Cumulative score
- 3. Opposition cumulative score

In the event of a tie for first place there will be a playoff game between the two players, or the top two by computer tiebreak (as listed above) if three or more players tie for first.

## **Special Note:**

VCS organizes the chess tournament, but we do not have resources to provide child care services, and cannot be held liable to the safety of the children. Parents must take full responsibilities for the well-being of their children. From our experience, all children would require some forms of support from their parents between rounds, such as some encouraging words, arranging snack and lunch, supervising games play, making sure they attend the next round on time etc. Please make sensible arrangement according to your children's maturity level.

## Registration Fees & payment 网上注册及付费:

\$30 by Feb 21 (early bird discount); \$35 regular. **No onsite registration is allowed. Cut-off time: 8:00pm/Feb 28** Sibling discount: \$5 off for 2<sup>nd</sup> member or higher in the family

## Organizer: Maxim Doroshenko

For immediate assistance, please contact us by **email**: <u>info@vanchess.ca</u> We read both English & Chinese. Or leave messages only at **voicemail**: (604)568-3283