

2nd Annual **CENTRAL CALIFORNIA OPEN**

August 19-22, 20-22 or 21-22, 2010

Luxurious new site! Radisson Hotel, Fresno

Now 6 rounds and 6 sections!

\$17,000 PROJECTED PRIZES,

\$12,000 MINIMUM GUARANTEED!

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Northern California

ChessLecture.com Grand Prix Points: 60 (enhanced)

2nd annual Central California Open. 6SS, 40/2, SD/1 (2-day option, rds 1-3 G/60), no 2-day Open Section, Radisson Hotel, 2233 Ventura St, Fresno CA 93710.

Downtown hotel, free parking, free airport shuttle.

Co-sponsored by the famous Fresno Chess Club !

\$17,000 prize fund based on 160 paid entries (re-entries and \$60 less EF players count half), minimum \$12,000 (70.6% of each prize) guaranteed. In 6 sections:

Open Section: \$2000-1000-500-300, clear or tiebreak 1st \$100,

Top U2200: \$1200-600. FIDE rated.

Under 2000 Section: \$1500-700-300-200.

Under 1800 Section: \$1500-700-300-200.

Under 1600 Section: \$1200-600-300-200.

Under 1300 Section: \$1100-600-300-200.

Under 1000 Section: \$700-400-200-100, trophies to top 7.

Unrated may enter any section, with prize limits: U1000 \$100, U1300 \$200, U1600 \$300, U1800 \$500. Balance goes to next player(s) in line.

Top 5 sections entry fee: 4-day \$134, 3-day \$133, 2-day \$132 mailed by 8/11, all \$135 online at chesstour.com by 8/16, \$140 phoned to 406-896-2038 by 8/16 (entry only, no questions), \$150 at site.

Mailed EF \$20 less to Fresno Chess Club members.

Entry fee for all in U1000 Section, or unrated in U1300 Section: All \$60 less than above.

GMs free, \$120 deducted from prize.

All: Special 1 year USCF dues with Chess Life if paid with entry: online at chesstour.com, Adult \$30, Young Adult \$20. Mailed, phoned or paid at site, Adult \$40, Young Adult \$30. Re-entry \$60; not available in Open Section.

No checks at site, credit cards OK.

4-day schedule: Reg. ends Thu 6 pm, rds Thu 7 pm, Fri 7 pm, Sat 11 am & 6 pm, Sun 10 am & 4:15 pm.

3-day schedule: Reg. ends Fri 11 am, rds Fri 12 noon & 7 pm, Sat 11 am & 6 pm, Sun 10 am & 4:15 pm.

2-day schedule: Reg. ends Sat 9 am, rds Sat 10 am, 12:30 pm, 3 pm & 6 pm, Sun 10 am & 4:15 pm.

Half point byes: OK all rounds; limit 1 bye towards class prizes; must commit before rd 2.

Hotel rates: \$89-89, 559-268-1000, request chess rate, reserve by 8/12 or rate may increase.

Car rental: Avis, 800-331-1600, use AWD #D657633, or reserve car online through chesstour.com.

Bring set, board & clock if possible- none supplied however for sale available from chess vendor on site. Quality Discount Chess Equipment: Chess sets, clocks and many chess books for sale.

Ratings: August official USCF rating list used. Unofficial uschess.org ratings usually used if otherwise unrated. Foreign player rating info.

Entry: Continental Chess, Box 249, Salisbury Mills NY 12577. \$15 service charge for refunds.

Questions: 845-496-9658. Advance entries posted at chesstour.com.

Chess Magnet School Junior Grand Prix Points available.

Fresno is the 5th largest city in the vast state of California and is often referred to as the “Capital of Central California” and “the Gate way to Yosemite”.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: Special additional \$25 discount to the **FIRST 40** members of the Fresno Chess Club to sign up for this tournament.

The **SPECIAL** requirement condition for this is *you must enter in person at the Fresno Chess Club meeting site to receive this special discount.*

For more information about this discount and other questions about the Fresno Chess club call club President “Bob Rasmussen” @ **708-8100**

Entry to Central California Open options:

Mail the attached entry form to:

Continental Chess, Box 249, Salisbury Mills, NY 12577.

Or enter on line or leave entry form and entry with an officer of the Fresno Chess Club:

Our official meeting site Monday and Friday evenings 6pm – midnight;

(Ladies Knight only, 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month):

Denny’s Restaurant Blackstone & Herndon in Fresno.

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WARNING the use of a CELL PHONE in the tournament room is PROHIBITED !!

If your cell phone rings in a room with games in progress, you could be severely penalized, maybe even forfeited. Turn It Off !!

Central California Open, Aug 19-22, 20-22 or 21-22

Player's name:

USCF ID no. (or "new" or "pending"):

Section:

- Open Section, \$135 by 8/16
- Under 2000 Section, \$135 by 8/16
- Under 1800 Section, \$135 by 8/16
- Under 1600 Section, \$135 by 8/16
- Under 1300 Section, \$135 by 8/16
- Under 1300 Section, unrated player, \$75 by 8/16
- Under 1000 Section, \$75 by 8/16

Schedule:

- 4-day schedule
- 3-day schedule
- 2-day schedule

USCF expiration date (join here if not current):

Aug 2010 official rating (approx. OK):

Special USCF dues, US/Canada/Mexico residents:

- 1 yr Adult with Chess Life, \$30
- 1 yr Young Adult under 25 with Chess Life, \$20
- 1 year under 13, bimonthly ChessLifeForKids, \$15
- Foreign 1 yr Adult with Chess Life, \$55
- Foreign 1 yr Young Adult with Chess Life, \$45

Date of birth, if unrated or paying USCF dues:

Player's address:

Player's email address, for our mailing list:

Guest room at hotel:

- Staying at hotel, not sharing with another player
- Staying at hotel, sharing with another player
- Not staying at hotel

I request 1/2 point Bye in round # _____