

2019 Utah Chess Speed Championship (G/4 inc/2)

Saturday, January 12, 2019

Warnock Engineering Building (“WEB”)

Rooms 1450 and 1460
University of Utah
72 Central Campus Drive
Salt Lake City, UT 84112

7-Round Swiss – TWO Sections*: **Open and Reserve (U-1400)**

* -- SECTIONS MAY BE COMBINED at TD's discretion if fewer than eight (8) players register for either (or both) section(s). In that event, all prizes shall be b/30 paid entries, and the first place prize for the Reserve Section shall be converted to a Class D (1200-1399) prize. If a section has eight or fewer players it will be paired as a round robin, and, if the section has fewer than eight players, the number of rounds will be appropriately reduced.

Blitz rules apply. (See Chapter 11 of the U.S. Chess Federation's Official Rules of Chess, 6th edition, at pages 308-314, as amended on-line;
See: <http://www.uschess.org/docs/gov/reports/RulebookChanges.pdf>.)

(Applicable rating is USCF **Blitz** rating (*) per January 2019 rating supplement.)

(*) - Although USCF Blitz ratings (January 2019 Supplement) will be used for this tournament, please note the following: (1) for those registering on-line (for further information on on-line registration, see page 2), the on-line form will automatically complete the rating field after the USCF ID has been entered; (2) the rating that will appear will be the **Regular** rating, and there is no way to override or change this; (3) nevertheless, for any player with a published USCF **Blitz** rating, that rating will be used for determining pairings and prize eligibility; and (4) for players who do not have any (either established or provisional) published USCF Blitz rating (but only for such players), the Regular rating will be used instead.

Each player MUST be a current member of the USCF. For USCF membership options or to purchase a membership prior to the tournament, go to www.uschess.org. **If you purchase a USCF membership on-line, please print a receipt and bring it to the tournament.** Memberships may also be purchased at the tournament.

This tournament is a BOOSTER event! Anyone who joins the United States Chess Federation (USCF) as a new member in December 2018 or January 2019, will have his or her entry fee (EF) waived for this tournament.

EF: \$20 if registered and **paid** by Monday, January 7th (by mail), or
Thursday, January 10th (on-line; see link below); **\$30 late/onsite;**

(*) - **Note:** For purposes of determining eligibility of mailed entries for advance EF discount, **postmark date shall be deemed date of entry.**

Format and Time Control: Seven (7) **double** rounds (Each player in a pairing plays one game with White and one game with Black.) **Swiss-system pairings (no eliminations).**

Time Control: All rounds: G/4, inc/2.

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Schedule: **Round One** will start promptly at **1:00 p.m.** Following rounds will be paired immediately upon completion of previous round. These rounds will begin immediately after pairings have been posted.

Byes: Half-point byes – Players may request half-point byes for up to two (2) rounds but such byes must be requested prior to pairing of Rd 2. For any round for which a permitted bye has been requested, that player will receive two (2) half-points (*i.e.*, a total of one [1] full point for the two un-played games). Last round bye requests are irrevocable. (See USCF Rule 22C.)

Advance Registration: **Option 1:** Register **on-line** using link on www.utahchess.com.

Option 2 (by mail): Please send information and fees to UCA c/o Steve Hoisington, 1864 27th St, Ogden, UT 84403. Include name, USCF ID# and **blitz** rating. Make checks payable to the order of **UCA**.

Onsite Registration: From **12:00 noon to 12:30 p.m.** Players who have not pre-registered **and** pre-paid who arrive after 12:30 p.m. will be given two (2) half-point byes (*i.e.*, one point for two un-played games) for the first round and paired starting in round two.

Prizes:

Open Section: (b/20 paid entries): 1st \$100 (+ Trophy), 2nd \$75 (+ Trophy), Class A (1800-1999) – 1st: \$50, Class B (1600 – 1799) - 1st: \$50, Class C (1400-1599) - 1st: \$50;

Reserve Section: (b/12 paid entries): 1st: \$50, Class E (1000 – 1199) - 1st: \$50, Class F (800-999) - 1st: \$50, Class G and below (U800) – 1st: \$50.

Note: Cash awards will be shared equally in case of tied placements. Standard tie-breaks (per default hierarchy in USCF Rule 34E) will be used to break ties for trophies. Non-residents of Utah may compete *hors concours* with full eligibility for cash prizes. Title of Utah Speed Champion and trophies will be awarded to highest-placed Utah resident.

If a player has a claim to two (or more) prizes, cash prizes shall be awarded in accordance with USCF Rule 32B.

Players are responsible for supplying equipment (pieces, board and clock) and for knowing how to set clocks. (USCF Rule 16B)