



**COLUMBIA
CHESS CLUB**

2022-2023
ANNUAL REPORT



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GROWING REGULAR MEETINGS

- THURSDAY NIGHT REGULAR MEETINGS GROWN SIGNIFICANTLY (FIREFLY)
 - 40+ AVERAGE ATTENDANCE
 - RATED CLASSICAL EVENTS WITH >50 PLAYERS
- EXPANSION: MONDAY NIGHT LIBRARY MEETING (RICHLAND ST. ANDREWS)
- EXPANSION: TUESDAY BREWERY MEETING (LEXINGTON)

JOIN THE COLUMBIA CHESS CLUB

WED. JUNE 27TH 6-9PM FOR

CHEERS & CHES

HOSTED AT

HAZELWOOD BREWING COMPANY





COLUMBIA CHESS CLUB LECTURE SERIES

- 14 LECTURES, 8 TITLED PLAYER SIMULS, 2 GMS

<p>National Master Sam Copeland "Why Calculation is Overrated" July 14, 2022 6:30 pm Faculty Tips and Games 736 St. Andrews Road Lecture Free, \$5 Simul to Follow</p>	<p>Brandon Jordan "There's Hidden Elo in the USCF Rules" Thursday, June 23, 2022 6:00 pm, start Faculty Tips and Games 736 St. Andrews Road Lecture Free Simultaneous Exhibition to Follow</p>	<p>National Master Mark Biernacki "The Psychology of Competition" Thursday, August 4, 2022 6:00 pm Faculty Tips and Games 736 St. Andrews Road Lecture Free, \$5 Simul to Follow</p>	<p>Dave Williams "Handling nerves and playing your best under pressure." Thursday, October 6, 2022 6:00 pm Faculty Tips and Games 736 St. Andrews Road Lecture Free, \$5 Simul to Follow</p>	<p>Grandmaster Elshan Moradilohadi Simultaneous Exhibition Thursday, November 3, 2022 5:30 pm, start "Can women and 141 pm, with no time penalty National Library 30 Andrews 300 Road from Road, Columbia, SC Suggested Donation: \$10, www.elshanmoradilohadi.com</p>	<p>National Master Mike Sailer "Strategic Play" Thursday, November 10, 2022 6:00 pm Faculty Tips and Games 736 St. Andrews Road Lecture Free, \$5 Simul to Follow</p>	<p>Charlie Jordan "Spassky attacks Iron Tigran" Thursday, November 17, 2022 6:00 pm Faculty Tips and Games 736 St. Andrews Road Lecture Free</p>	<p>James Brandmair "Every Move a Threat" Purges v. Lasker, 1896 Monday, Nov 20, 2022 6:00 pm Faculty Tips and Games 736 St. Andrews Road Lecture Free</p>	<p>Grandmaster Bryan Smith Simultaneous Exhibition Thursday, Nov 24, 2022 6:00 pm, start Faculty Tips and Games 736 St. Andrews Road \$5 to play</p>
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NOTABLE PLAYER ACCOMPLISHMENTS

2022 STATE CHAMPION (NM MIKE SAILER)

2023 K-5 CHAMPION (AARYAV SAHA)

2023 U1600 RAPID CHAMPION (WILLIAM SCHMIDT)

2023 U1600 BLITZ CHAMPION (LUKEN CALAS-AGUILAR)

2023 U1000 RAPID & BLITZ CHAMPION (ANDREI MEDVED)

TUNNELVISION

- EVERY MONTH, \$1000 GUARANTEED – ON TIME, LIVE STREAMING, DGT BOARDS
- 60 AVERAGE ATTENDANCE AND GROWING
- 83 ATTENDEES AT TUNNELVISION XII, COMPLETING A FULL YEAR



SPECIAL TOURNAMENTS

- 2023 SC RAPID AND BLITZ CHAMPIONSHIP
- CHARITY TOURNAMENT AT THE HINDU TEMPLE
- SCHOLASTIC TUNE-UP
- FREE LIBRARY CHESS TOURNAMENT



March 13 · 📍

Columbia Chess Club is excited to announce a free, open, unrated chess tournament at the Richland Library St. Andrews branch Saturday, March 25 from 10am - 2pm... [See more](#)

COLUMBIA CHESS CLUB'S
Library CHESS
FREE OPEN TOURNAMENT
SAT. MARCH 25 10AM-2PM

EVENTBRITE.COM
Library Chess - Free Unrated Open Chess Tournament -
Together with Richland Library, Columbia Chess Club will be host

SCHOLASTIC TUNE-UP
SATURDAY, FEB. 2

ROUND SWISS, G/30;D5
ROUND TIMES: 10AM, 11:15, 1:15PM, 2:30

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Lexington Elementary School

LEXINGTON ELEMENTARY
116 AZALEA
LEXINGTON, VA

Register Online
ColumbiaChess.org > To





Safe Play Training House Party

TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR GROWTH

10 TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS, 2 WITH SENIOR-LEVEL
EXPERIENCE, 5 WITH LOCAL-LEVEL EXPERIENCE

- BRANDMAIR, JAMES
- CIRIELLO, NICHOLAS
- COPELAND, PAUL
- COVALT, DANIEL
- JORDAN, BRANDON
- MILLER, SEAN
- NEACK, IAN
- QUINONES, MYKAEL
- SOMESULA, KRISHNA
- THORLA, THOMAS

FUTURE PLANS: BUILDING OPENING DECEMBER 2023

- 6169 A/B ST. ANDREWS ROAD, COLUMBIA
- 2600 SQ. FT.
- TOURNAMENT HALL / LOUNGE
- MORE EVENTS, TOURNAMENTS, CLASSES
- CONSTRUCTION UNDERWAY
(PROGRESS PICTURES 10/3/2023)





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\$250 (can be jointly purchased)
Brass Plaque installed on table
2 lines, limit 36 characters per line