

**NEIL DALE MEMORIAL OPEN
JANUARY 2 & 3, 2021**

**US CHESS REGULAR ONLINE RATED!
NWSRS RATED!**

This tournament honors Neil Dale, who for many years tirelessly volunteered to run events for the Portland Chess Club

Format: 4 round Swiss in three sections: Open, U1800 and U1400. US Chess Online rated. Sections may be combined if too few are in one section. One half-point bye is available if requested before round 1. Regular US Chess ratings will be used for pairings and prizes. Games will be monitored through Zoom.com.

Requirements: US Chess membership is required. Players must have a Chess.com account (free) and Zoom account (free). This is a qualifying tournament for the Oregon Closed Challengers Section. Oregon residents must also be members of Oregon Chess Federation.

Entry fee: \$40; \$30 for Portland Chess Club members. Prior to the deadline pay by check payable to Portland Chess Club and sent to Mike Morris, 2344 NE 27th Ave., Portland, OR 97212 or by PayPal, email@pdxchess.org.

Registration: Pre-registration only, by email to mikejmorris@earthlink.net. The deadline is 7:00 pm, Friday, January 1. The TD will send out special instructions, the list of players, their Chess.com usernames and first round pairings Friday evening.

Prizes: 50% of entries in each section will be returned as cash prizes. The prize fund for each section will be divided 60% to first place and 40% to second place. If sections are combined prizes will be paid in proportion to entries in the rating group. In the event of ties, no tiebreakers will be used for payment of prizes.

Prizes will be paid following a Fair Play review of all games.

Time control: Game in 90; 30 second increment.

Round times: 9:30 am and 2:30 pm each day;

Mandatory Players' Meeting: 9:15 am on Zoom. Non-attending players will be given first round byes.

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