

A Northwest Chess Grand Prix Event

5th Annual Seattle Chess Classic



August 13-15, 2021

Online via  **Chess.com**

Format: A 9-round Swiss in two sections: Open and Reserve U1800. Hosted by the Washington Chess Federation. Dual US Chess Online and NWSRS Rated.

Entry fee: \$90 by 8/6, \$100 after. Non-members of WCF/OCF/ICA add \$15. \$40 Play-up fee if rated under 1800 playing in Open section. Free entry for GM/IM/WGM or US Chess Rating 2400+.

Time Control: G/75; +15. Late Default: 10 minutes.

Schedule: Fri./Sat./Sun. @ 10 AM, 2 PM, 6 PM.

Prize Fund: (\$1,800 based on 40 paid entries)

Open: 1st \$300, 2nd \$200, 3rd \$150, 1st U2200/U2000: \$100, Best NW Player (by TPR): \$50

Reserve: 1st \$200, 2nd \$150, 1st U1600/U1400/U1200/U1000: \$100, Biggest upset: \$50

Annotated Game Competition: \$50 per section. Submit one annotated game that you consider to be well-played or interesting. A panel of judges will select the winner in each section.

Registration: Please register online at nwchess.com/OnlineRegistration. Registration **deadline Thurs. 8/12 @ 5pm**. \$15 Late Fee for payments received after the deadline. Unpaid players will receive a zero-point bye for round 1.

Byes: Up to 3 half-point byes available for rounds 1-9 if announced before the end of round 2.

Memberships: Current US Chess membership required. Memberships must be paid at time of registration. A Chess.com and Zoom account are required.

Rating: Highest of current US Chess, US Chess Online, or NWSRS rating will be used to determine section, pairings, and prizes.

Procedure: Pairings will be released prior to the start of each round. Games will be started automatically by the TD in the [Live Chess](#) area.

Fair Play Policy: All players are required to sign the [WCF Fair Play Agreement](#) prior to the start of the tournament. All players will be monitored by Zoom during the games. WCF's Fair Play Committee will review any suspicious games on a case-by-case basis. Fair play standards will be strictly enforced.

Info/Entries: Make checks payable to Washington Chess Federation. Mail To: Washington Chess Federation: c/o Orlov Chess Academy, 4174 148th Ave. NE, Building I, Ste. M, Redmond, WA 98052.

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