

Candy Cane Tournament December has lots for all entrants!

Competition trophies and medals • After competition lunch • Lots of draw prizes • Bag of treats for all • Candy Canes too!
But limited to first 64 entrants for 12 sections of play - so register quickly online: link at www.rovingchessnuts.com

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It was a blast of competitive play;

Several players raise ratings by over 100 points

With eight sections of round-robin play, the November 5 open scholastic chess tournament at Greenfield Hall saw plenty of battles among similarly-rated entrants.

In some sections, the winner added more than 100 Chess'n Math rating points. Top among them was Grade Two student Frank Xia (photo below) who in Section H gained 178 points to win a special trophy. Not far behind him was Max Pankewitz who in Section C shot up 154 rating points. Others gaining over 100 were Kartif Jindel, 130 in Section G; Shreyas Prasanna, 120 in Section E; and Terry Li, 106 in Section D.

A special award for top performing female player will go to Aywen Ko who won 50% of her games in Section E. Runners-up for the female award were Anu Purevjamts in Section C and Michelle Enkhtaivan in Section D as each won 40% of their games.

As of November 23, six of the eight sectional winners on November 5 had already signed up for the Candy Cane tournament on December 10, meaning they will be trying for another victory and also trying not to lose rating points. The same special prizes involving ratings and percentage of games won will also be offered for the Candy Cane event.

Completes results of the Blast tournament are:

Section A: 1. Sam Hoekman, 2. Alex Wang, 3. Ethan Chin.

Section B: 1. Andrew Xiao, 2. Noah Mok, 3. Tetyana Shelevach, 4. Aedan Lobo.

Section C: 1. Max Pankewitz, 2. Eric Jin, 3 - 5 tied: Anu Purevjamts, Toby Li and Rogan Eskow, 6. Haywood Huang.

Section D: 1. Terri Li, 2. Carter Brinkman, 3. Aike Saraki, 4. Michelle Enkhtaivan, 5. Caleb Menard, 6. Dehai Yu.

Section E: 1. Shreyas Prasanna, 2. Pascal Lacroix, 3. Aywen Ko, 4. Jasmyrn Lobo, 5. Leo Wang.

Section F: 1. Trustan Vander-Leeuw, 2. Armaan Patel, 3. Caleb Casorso, 4. Isabelle Der, 5. Syenne Ko.

Section G: 1. Kartik Jindel, 2. William Gao, 3. Owen Pankewitz, 4. Caleb Tauber, 5. May Li, 6. Roman Chudy.

Section H: 1. Frank Xia, 2 -3 tied: Corinth Klassen and Mason Pongar, 4. Liam Cerbas, 5. Wangin Yu, 6. Elise Ogg,

This event was directed by Derek Thomas and Bruce Thomas with assistance from Taya Van Dyke and Patricia Thomas. All players were eligible for a draw for eight prizes ranging from chocolate and travel chess set to a 7 in 1 game board package and half day chess camp vouchers. Directors expressed appreciation to those parents and players who helped with set-up of the event, and congratulated all entrants for their good sportsmanship and good efforts in the competition.



Photos from Blast ...



Girls-Only Chess Group meets this Sunday, November 26

at Roving ChessNuts, 12019 76 Street, starting 1 p.m.

Chess Games • Brief Lesson • Social Fun Activity • Snacks e-mail rovingchessnuts@shaw.ca if you plan to attend



Can you beat Santa in chess?

Maybe you can find out at ...

Pre-Holiday Scholastic Chess Tournament

Sunday afternoon at Greenfield Hall, Edmonton

December 10, 2017 Sign in between 12:15 and 12:30

*Candy
Cane
Event!*

Limited to the first 64 players (K thru G12) who register online via www.rovingchessnuts.com and prepay entry fee (Entry fee and extra lunches can be paid by phone or cheques can be sent via school program or classes)

Cash prizes and trophy for top four sections by rating of 4-player round robins; medals for runners-up

Trophies for 1st and 2nd and medals for runners-up in 5-6 player round robins

All players will receive a hot dog lunch, holiday treat bag and be eligible for draws for two dozen prizes!

Players' parents and siblings welcome to enjoy after-play lunch and treat bag too for \$5 or 3 for \$10 (No entries or extra lunches available after entries close)

Entry fee is \$30; \$20 for second player same family

Please register by Thursday, 6 p.m., December 7 (entries close when 64 players limit is reached)

Check for your name being added to players list and updates: www.rovingchessnuts.com

See final listing on tournament day for your section of play before coming to hall

Any unrated player not known to Roving ChessNuts programs should be evaluated for placement in the tournament

First-time tournament players in school programs and classes must have instructor's permission to play and/or have passed qualifying test

Free evaluations can be arranged by calling **780-474-2318** or e-mailing rovingchessnuts@shaw.ca

Also call or e-mail if you need more information or have questions about this event

General Tournament Notes:

Please bring a water bottle with you. If you have to withdraw prior to tournament day, send e-mail to: rovingchessnuts@shaw.ca. On tournament day if you suddenly can not attend or will not be able to sign in by 12:30 p.m., call or text **780-554-7280**. Keep updated about this event by visiting www.rovingchessnuts.com

Like any sport, your child should have the proper items to practice with between their coaching times, classes, training activities and events

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These pieces are used in classes and tournaments



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Orders can be placed by e-mail or phone; delivered to students in school programs or classes

These items and more chess items will be on sale during Candy Cane Tournament December 10 at Greenfield Hall!

Chess Calendar

The following scholastic chess competitions and activities in Edmonton and area are subject to change. Keep updated: regularly check the website: www.rovingchessnuts.com

Make sure you are on ChessNuts' e-mail contact list so you get newsletters, updates on school programs and other information. To subscribe e-mail: rovingchessnuts@shaw.ca

If you need clarification or have questions, call: **780-474-2318**.

Late November into early January: Roving ChessNuts' various classes and school programs will be entering their winter sessions lasting to February or March. Many are expected to be filled with returning students, but e-mail your interest and we will try to accommodate newcomers!

November 26: Girls Only Group Event at Roving ChessNuts, 1 p.m.

December 10: Sunday Afternoon Christmas Tournament at Greenfield Hall.

This is usually one of the biggest Edmonton scholastic tournaments of the year. Lots of door prizes which all players are eligible for; treats served during the event and, of course, trophies and medals to be won in battles over the chess board! Entries will be limited to about 60, so it will be important to register early. Details and online registration to be posted and e-mailed on November 8.

January 4 and 5: Full and Half Day Chess Camps at Roving ChessNuts, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Watch for details. Wednesday will be added if there is sufficient numbers. Please e-mail rovingchessnuts@shaw.ca to indicate your interest. These camps will be similar to November break camps, catering to all levels of players.

January 13: Tournament at Beaumont Public Library, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m.; open to Beaumont and Edmonton players.

March 11: Giant Scholastic Tournament at Rogers Place! This will include both school team and individual competitions in association with an Edmonton Oil Kings hockey game honouring scholastic chess players!