

January 2018



The Kings and Queens tournament was a big success, due to the great playing conditions at the host school, Pineapple Cove Classical Academy.

Many thanks to Matt, Jenna, and everyone else at PCCA for their hospitality. The kids that participated all had a great time.

Winning their sections were; Benjamin Douglas (K1), Kirin Reiter (K3), Vikram Sabapathy (K6), Hawkin Johnston (K12), Kenny Ji (SE), and Liam Pelikan (SM).

The winner of the Traveling Pawn was the home team, PCCA.

Thanks also to Timmy Mayes for being the SM house player, and Vincent Stone for being Assistant TD, and Matt Cobb for taking the pictures.

The next tournament will also be at Pineapple Cove Classical Academy, on Saturday February 17th. See you there!

Kristine Stone has arranged the tournament sites for the first few months, but we still need playing sites for 2018. Please contact her with ideas.



February 2018



The Queen of Hearts was a great tournament, thanks to the efforts of the organizers at Pineapple Cove Classical Academy.

The Cobb family, and many other volunteers at the school did a great job, for the benefit of 85 grateful students.

Thanks also to Vincent for being the Assistant TD, and Evan for his work with the trophies, and Matt for taking the pictures. Special thanks to Matthew Lawrence, who brought four HS students all the way from Daytona Beach. We hope that our new friends had a good time and will be back again next month. Winning sections this month were Leo Mayta (SM), George Rhoton (SE), Danny Ward (K12), Roshan Anil (K6), newcomer Devin Prieto (K3), and Prithiv Ponnusamy (K1).

Winning the Traveling Pawn as Top Team was Gemini.

The next tournament will be March 24 at Holy Trinity Academy (Lower Campus). See you there!

*Yours in chess,
Chris Bortzner*





March 2018

Thank you to everyone at Holy Trinity Academy, who helped make our March Mayhem tournament a great time. Despite the Air Show going on overhead, our students kept their concentration and played some amazing chess! Winning their sections were: Liam Pelikan (SM), newcomer Sun Smith (SE), Sakthivel Sabapathy (K12), Saaketh Kesireddy (K6), Kirin Reiter (K3), and Prithiv Ponnusamy (K1). The Traveling Pawn for Top Team went to Pineapple Cove Classical Academy.

As usual, thank you to Matt Cobb, who manned the scoring table all day, put together the trophies, and took the awards pictures. Thank you also to Vincent and Andy for being the Assistant TD's.

The next tournament will be April 21, at [Temple Israel in Viera](#). See you there!

Yours in chess,
Chris Bortzner



April 2018



The Brevard County Scholastic Championship was held at Temple Israel in Viera.

Although the turn out was low, the level of play was very high!

Winning their sections, and earning the title of County Champion were:

Prithiv Ponnusamy (K1),

Armaan Motivala (K3),

Varun Sriramineni (K6),

Jeremy Saglimbeni (K12),

George Rhoton (Scholastic Experts),

and Kamalesh Sureshkumar (Scholastic Masters).

Top Team was Freedom 7, which took Home the Traveling Pawn.

Thanks to Ori Tal who provided lunch (on very short notice), Preeti Anil for running the concession stand, Vincent Stone and Bobby Saraka for being the Assistant Tournament Directors, Evan Cobb for manning the scoring table and assembling the trophies, and Matt Cobb for taking the pictures at the Awards Ceremony.

The May tournament at Temple Israel is cancelled.

Thank you to everyone for a good season.

Tournaments will continue in the Fall.

Yours in chess,
Chris Bortzner



May 2018

Season Finale / Grand Prix Championship

The May tournament at Temple Israel is cancelled.

