

2024 Port Huron Chess Club Championships Rules and Regulations of Play

The following general rules and regulations of play will govern participation in this year's tournament. All participants should be familiar with these rules and any special rules that govern their play.

General Rules:

1. All play will be governed by the official rules of chess as established by the FIDE and USCF as given in the most current edition of the **Official Rules of Chess** published by the USCF.
2. Touch rules will be in effect in all games. Both players must record the moves of the game and submit properly completed score sheets to the tournament director (TD) as soon as possible following the completion of the game. Illegal moves cannot be considered without accurate score sheets.
3. A chess timer (clock) must be used in all games. Time controls will be at the rate of "Game in 90 minutes with 5 second/move delay (1 and ½ hours plus 5/sec delay) per player. Play will begin by 7:00 PM at the PHCC or at a time and place agreed upon by both contestants. There will be no adjournments. All games are to be completed within the round time limits. Mechanical clock time control will be game in 95 minutes and the clock will be set at 4:25. Prior to the beginning of the game both players are responsible for checking the clock to determine if it is functioning properly and set correctly. Sets and clocks can be checked out at the club, should players need to use club equipment. **Players are responsible for correctly setting their clocks.**
4. **Only PHCC club members may participate throughout the event.** See list of current members for your expiration dates at the end of the final page of this document. Dues are payable to Lon Rutkofske. USCF membership may be required as determined by the TD.
5. Players are responsible for interpreting the Round Robin Crosstable and included in packet with rules and list of email addresses and phone numbers (but will **not** be posted on the PHCC website for privacy reasons.) Games may be arranged for and played out of the assigned order on the crosstable if necessary. An updated list of players and phone numbers will be developed and circulated among participants by the TD. Lon will also email the results and round pairings, prior to each round. Valid email addresses and phone numbers are required of all participants prior to the tournament's commencement.
6. Winners, or the player having the white pieces in the case of a draw, must report the results to the TD.
7. All results must be reported to the TD by 8:00 PM ,Wednesday prior to the final round.
8. It is the responsibility of the person **not present** on the date of the scheduled round to meet the reasonable request of his opponent in order to complete an un-played game.

2024 Port Huron Chess Club Championships
Rules and Regulations of Play

9. Disputes arising from play and unresolved by the players shall be submitted to the TD. His decision will be final. This year's TD will be Lon Rutkofske: 605 Lomasney Ln., Marysville, MI 48040 Ph. 810-388-9219 (Please leave a message with call back number) or email at ishking@aol.com.

Special Rules:

1. This year's event will feature a two section 5 round Swiss system if over 7 sign up to play for at least the A section. PHCC ratings will be used for pairings in each section. Section A is open to those rated 1700 and over ; B section for all under 1700 or unrated.. Time controls will be G90; with 5 sec delay. Score keeping is required. Please let me know if you are committed to playing by Jan 10th....no onsite entries will be permitted
2. Players will be paired after registration ends at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, January 10thth.
3. All games will be PHCC rated, and USCF rated at TD discretion.
4. Rounds and Pairings: **Rounds will tentatively be on Jan 11, 18, 25 and Feb 8 and 15 with makeup days on Feb 1 and 22. Awards will be presented on February 29th. Weather issues:** If the Port Huron Area School District is closed due to inclement weather, PHCC will be cancelled as well. Please call or email Lon if you have questions before proceeding to the club. Lon will post information on the website and email participants as soon as conditions have been determined.
5. Players do not have to play their games at the club, if their opponents agree to play at an alternate time and place. If this happens, please report any changes to Lon prior to the next scheduled round. All results must be submitted to Lon by 9:00 PM. prior to the next round.
6. **Courtesy:** Please contact your opponent, if you cannot make it to the club to play your scheduled round with sufficient time so as not to inconvenience your opponent. If you email them, but get no response, please call before the scheduled round. Please copy the TD if you use email.
7. A bulletin of completed games will be circulated every other week of play, so make sure that your score sheets are complete and accurate.
8. Phone numbers and email addresses will be circulated to all players for their records and information in general. The official crosstable will be kept at the club, and will be kept current as results are reported.
9. Ties will be broken using the following methods in order: Median/Harkness; Solkoff; and Cumulative.
10. Prizes: All awards/prizes will be presented Thursday, February 29th.

2024 Port Huron Chess Club Championships Rules and Regulations of Play

11. Entry Fee: \$5:00
12. Awards based on PHCC ratings of 10 entries per section (only one prize per contestant, except upset prizes):

A Section:

1st Place - \$50 + Plaque; 2nd Place - \$40 + Plaque
Top Under 1801 = \$20 + Plaque

B Section:

1st Place - \$40 + Plaque; 2nd Place - \$30 + Plaque
Top Under 1700 = \$20 + Plaque
Top Under 1500 = \$20 + Plaque

Additional Prizes

Top Junior = \$10 + Junior Champion Plaque
Top Unrated = \$20 + Plaque
Biggest Upset/section - \$10

Options for Make-up games:

1. The Port Huron Recreation Department will provide space for Make-up games on Wednesdays and Fridays between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:30 PM (Hours may change due to Covid). They have the keys to the equipment cupboard. Please call in advance to make sure if it is okay at 810-984-9760.

2. The Marysville Public Library (1175 Delaware Ave. across the street East of the Middle School and High School) also has invited PHCC members to make up their games anytime M-Thurs. between 9:00 AM and 8:00 PM and on Friday or Saturday between 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM. Please contact the library at 810-364-9493 (Hours may change due to Covid). You will have to furnish your own equipment in this case.

Game Scores: Publication of games on our website: Alan Gregg has volunteered to publish our game on the PHCC website. Please send your corrected games, with analyses if you so desire, to Alan as well as Lon so we can have a complete record of this event.

Port Huron Chess Club Membership List

Name	email	Exp date
Avdic, Huso	avdic3@yahoo.com	Jun-24
Beneker, Gerrit	gveneker@aol.com	Oct-23
Blunt, Stuart	bluntlake@gmail.com	Oct-24
Bruziewicz, Andy	andybruziewicz@hotmail.com	Jul-24
Byrne, Brandon	brandonbyrnemvm@gmail.com	Nov-23
DePuey, Nathan	natedepuey43@gmail.com	Mar-24
Douglas, Cameron	camdouglas08@icloud.com	Mar-24
Fisher, Sandi	fisher2700@yahoo.com	24-Jan
Gibson, William	williamandersgibson754@gmail.com	24-Mar

2024 Port Huron Chess Club Championships Rules and Regulations of Play

Gregg, Alan	alangregg@sbcglobal.net	Jan-24
Klaty, Braeden	bklaty@hotmail.com	Nov-23
Klaty, Brad	bklaty@hotmail.com	Nov-23
Klaty, Trenton	bklaty@hotmail.com	Nov-23
Kuhn, Timothy	timckuhn53@gmail.com	24-Jan
Malburg, Drew	dmalburg@gmail.com	24-Jan
Morabito, Matt	mmorabito@wayne.edu	23-Jan
Paul Oriel	ptoriel5@comcast.net	Mar-24
Pasia, Quenton	quentonpasia@icloud.com	Mar-24
Rood, Eric	e.w.rood@gmail.com	24-Jan
Rutkofske, Lon	ishking@aol.com	Jan-24
Schmidt, Mark	mschmidt4377@gmail.com	Nov-23
Urick, Ryan	ryanurick@yahoo.com	Oct-23
Webb, Austin	networkwebb64@gmail.com	Jun-24
West, Tony	mrhollywood95@gmail.com	24-Jan
Wingrove, Bill	williamwingrove@aol.com	Jan-24

**2024 Port Huron Chess Club Championships
Rules and Regulations of Play**