

2022-2023 Year-in-Review



**Play More Chess Academy
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Congratulations to all Play More Chess Academy Students and Hamden Chess Club Members on their achievements and dedication to chess improvement during 2022-2023!

This Annual Report highlights seven main activity areas during the year June 1, 2022 to May 31, 2023.

1. Students enrolled in PMCA classes or lessons during the year
2. Current Hamden Chess Club Membership as of May 31, 2023
3. Number of Tournaments during the year
4. Total Participants in HCC Tournaments during the year
5. Total Tournament Cash and Prizes Distributed (Annual and Cumulative)
6. Hamden Chess Club Casual Play
7. Special Events/Other

1. Students enrolled in PMCA classes or lessons during the year

A total of 141 students enrolled in classes and individual lessons during the year.

Pawn Level (Beginner Classes) (37)

Badawi, Mohamed	Iaroi, Alma	Osodipe, Lydia
Baggett, Lincoln	Kim, Lynna	Ren, Alex
Bejenaru, Christopher	Kyle, Nolen	Rojas, Fernando
Bejenaru, Nicole	Mangi, Ayedin	Shymko, Yana
Dash, Jayvon	Mangi, Basel	Sun, Nathan
De La Cruz, Ricardo	Mardis, James	Tal, Yair
Edelkopf, Eli	McMaster, Duke	Tam, Jayden
Figueroa-Kellet, Harper	McMaster, Greyson	Venkatesh, Ravi
Flach, Andrew	McMaster, Weston	Volynskiy, Cora
Flach, Vivian	Oglesby, Jalen	Walsh, Alden
Goldenberg, Ainsley	Oh, Asher	Yamasca, Abe
Hammer, Julian	Oh, Ellen	Zhong, Weiyue
Huang, Terence		

Knight Level (Intermediate Class) (51)

Adrian, Oskar	Festa, Caleb	Nulan, Khalil
Anthis, Vasilis	Gaul, Bobby	Onat, Eren
Blake, Asher	Glenn, Karter	Peese, Bruce
Bogle, Jayden Zaheer	Gonsalves, Jayden	Pitkin, Ozzie
Carney, Logan	Greb, David	Regmi, Aditya
Caruk, Soren	Gupta, Aakash	Schmidt, Peter
Chen, Hans	Harris-Sturges, Abe	Serhiyenia, Stanley
Chen, Jack	Horsford, Bennett	Shaeffer, Will
Chennareddy, Pranav	Jegede, Ope	Skiba, Roman
Clarke, Dean	Jegede, Tobi	Svolik, Daniel
Crawford, Theo	Jenkins, Kai	Tang, Kristal
Dai, Bowen	Khandelwal, Yash	Yang, Riston
Deener, Echo	Kim, Igeun	Yi, Dojin
Ellis, Emerson	Kosko, Dominic	Wang, Jonathan
Ellis, Ethan	Kromash, Kieran	Zemon, Alexander
Famutimi, Kamsi	Lyon, Lucas	Zemon, Anderson
Feher, Mark	Melbourne, Toranio	Zhong, Grace

Bishop/Rook Level (Intermediate Class) (13)

Akshantala, Gautham
Festa, Luca
Glenn, Kayden
Greb, Samuel
Kim, David

Marshak, Simon
Neitzke, Alice
Newell, Wyelin
Polly, Malcolm

Tang, Derrick
Tiyyagura, Saavan
Watrous, Chase
Xu, Arthur

Adult Students / Individual Lessons (Adults & Kids) (40)

Baumgart, Therese
Bello, Liliana
Brooks, James
Dallavalle, Ann
Davis, Fallon
Dawson, Richard P.
Dirschel, George
Edelkopf, Shneor
Edelkopf, Sholom
Freeman, John
Frunzio, Roberto
Gannon, Lisbeth
Garcia, Rodney
Gold, Alan

Greb, Samuel
Greenburg, Alva
Hagen, Kelly
Hunt, Kevin
Hunt, Phyllis
Kaczmarczyk, Truman
Luszcz, Asher
McCord, David
Mcknight, Vincent
Mongillo, Jen-Der
Nagarsheth, Alina
Narayan, Aditya
Newell, Wyelin

Parker, Peter
Prime, Jason
Proto, Marissa
Razza-Baril, Nico
Rochefort, Estela
Samulowitz, Annette
Sridhar, Vinay
Sriram, Akshay
Turner, Tori
Van Wees, Ellen
Wang, Junwen
Xu, Arthur
Zimmerlin, Winona

2. Current Hamden Chess Club Membership as of May 31, 2023

Hamden Chess Club currently has 118 members (69 Adult members;
49 Scholastic members)

3. Number of Tournaments during the year

Monthly Action Quads (3rd Monday Evenings of the Month): 12

USCF Scholastic Swiss-system Monthly Tournaments: 12

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HCC Online Swiss-system Weekly Tournaments on Lichess.org: 120

4. Total Participants in HCC Tournaments during the year: 1,244

Total Participants OTB (USCF) Tournaments: 546

Total Online tournament participants: 698

5. Total Tournament Cash and Prizes Distributed (Annual and Cumulative)

Tournament Cash and Prizes Distributed June 1, 2022 - May 31, 2023: \$7,335

Tournament Cash and Prizes Cumulative (since September 15, 2017): \$17,385

6. HCC Club Casual Play (Mondays and Thursdays (6:30-8:30PM))

Average Attendance Mondays: 14

Average Attendance Thursdays: 10

7. Special Events/Other:

- 2023-09-10 GM Alex Fishbein Lecture and Simul: 32 participants
- 2023-04-1 2023 Connecticut State Women's Championship: 16 participants

Thanks for your support of and participation in so many of our chess activities during the past year!

NOTES:

*A list of past OTB and Online tournaments is available here:

<http://playmorechess.com/images/TournamentHistory.pdf>

*Cross-tables for HCC's USCF tournaments are available here:

<https://www.uschess.org/msa/AffDtlTnmtHst.php?A6054128>

*If you see a name misspelling or correction needed please email

info@playmorechess.com. Thanks!