

## November 2008

Greetings Colorado chess players! This is the third of thirteen email newsletters that I will be sending out regarding Colorado Chess. Each letter will be a report of the most recent CO tour events, a list of upcoming CO events, and any new general information about Colorado Chess.

Starting with the January 2009 issue, the CO Informant will have an article honoring a Colorado chess volunteer. If you would like to nominate somebody you think deserves recognition, please send an email to [boulderchessclub@yahoo.com](mailto:boulderchessclub@yahoo.com) with your nomination and a brief summary on what this volunteer has done for Colorado chess. Please send in your nominations by November 10<sup>th</sup>.

### Results of October's CO Tour Events

On October 11<sup>th</sup>, the DCC Columbus Day tournament was held. 23 players participated, 10 in the open section, 13 in the reserve (U1492). In the open, Tyler Hughes and Richard Herbst tied for 1<sup>st</sup> place with 3.5/4, with Richard Buchanan taking clear 3<sup>rd</sup> place with 2.5/4. In the reserve section, Daniel Zhou took 1<sup>st</sup> place with a perfect 4.0/4, Peter Cannici was the best of the rest with 3.0/4, while Ramyashree Gangadhar, Alan August, and Thomas Mullikin tied for 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> with 2.5. Unfortunately the Halloween Open in Pueblo had to be cancelled on November 1st. An Obama rally just down the street from the venue made the event impossible.

### Upcoming CO Tour Events

See <http://www.colorado-chess.com/newtourn.shtml> for more details.

November 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>: 2008 Boulder Fall Classic. Open Section: 5-SS G/90, Reserve section 5-SS G/30. Contact: Klaus Johnson [boulderchessclub@yahoo.com](mailto:boulderchessclub@yahoo.com). 16 players last year.

November 22<sup>nd</sup>: DCC Thanksgiving Turkey Hunt 4-SS G/60, Contact: Joe Haines [joeHaines@comcast.net](mailto:joeHaines@comcast.net). New Event.

December 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>: Winter Springs Open (Manitou Springs) 4-SS 40/2 G/1. Contact: Richard Buchanan [buckpeace@pcisys.net](mailto:buckpeace@pcisys.net). 33 players last year.

January 3<sup>rd</sup> 2009: 4<sup>th</sup> Al Ufer Memorial (Manitou Springs) 4-SS G/60. Contact: Dean Brown [browndw1@mindspring.com](mailto:browndw1@mindspring.com). 32 players last year

January 24<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> 2009: 2009 Boulder Winter Grand Prix 5-SS G/90. Contact: Klaus Johnson [boulderchessclub@yahoo.com](mailto:boulderchessclub@yahoo.com), 34 players last year

February 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> 2009: Loveland Open 4-SS 40/2 G/1. Contact: Randy Reynolds [randy\\_tenyana@msn.com](mailto:randy_tenyana@msn.com). 24 players last year

March 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> 2009: Colorado Springs Open (Manitou Springs) 5-SS 40/90 G/60, Rds. 4-5 40/2 G/1. Contact: Richard Buchanan [buckpeace@pcisys.net](mailto:buckpeace@pcisys.net). 39 players last year

## Other Upcoming Events

November 11<sup>th</sup>: November G/29 Event (Greeley): 3-SS G/29, Contact: Travis Pape  
[chessunc@yahoo.com](mailto:chessunc@yahoo.com)

November 29<sup>th</sup>: US Air Force Academy Quads (CO Springs): 4-player RR G/60, Contact:  
Dean Brown [brownd1@mindspring.com](mailto:brownd1@mindspring.com)

December 9<sup>th</sup>: December G/29 Grand Prix Event: 3-SS G/29, Contact: Lee Lahti  
[lee.lahti@comcast.net](mailto:lee.lahti@comcast.net)

December 13<sup>th</sup>: CU Rapid X: 4-SS G/45, Contact: Klaus Johnson  
[boulderchessclub@yahoo.com](mailto:boulderchessclub@yahoo.com)

December 20<sup>th</sup>: US Air Force Academy Quads (CO Springs): 4-player RR G/60, Contact:  
Dean Brown [brownd1@mindspring.com](mailto:brownd1@mindspring.com)

There are also weekly rated games in Denver on Tuesday nights, and in Boulder and Colorado Springs on Wednesday nights. Contact Joe Haines [joehaines@comcast.net](mailto:joehaines@comcast.net), Klaus Johnson [boulderchessclub@yahoo.com](mailto:boulderchessclub@yahoo.com), or Jerry Maier [pmjer77@aim.com](mailto:pmjer77@aim.com) respectively.

## CO TOUR Points As of October 11th

### Top Overall

1	Phillip Ponomarev	98.18	6)	Michael Mulyar	78.54
2	Mitesh Shridhar	94.52	6)	Morgan Robb	78.54
3	Tyler Hughes	86.86	6)	Renard Anderson	78.54
	Richard Herbst	86.86	9)	Klaus Johnson	76.87
5	Igor Melnykov	79.22	10)	Jeff Baffo	74.88

### Top Expert

1)	Mitesh Shridhar	94.52
2)	Richard Herbst	86.86
3)	Richard Buchanan	35.77

### Top Class A

1)	Igor Melnykov	79.22
2)	Morgan Robb	78.54
3)	Jeff Baffo	74.88

### Top Class B

1)	Klaus Johnson	76.87
2)	Cory Foster	63.26
3)	Dylan Lehti	58.91

### Top Class C

1)	Daniel Zhou	43.32
2)	Dean Brown	40.83
3)	J.Serna/C.Lewis/A.Cordova	39.27

### Top Class D

1)	Losol Amarbayasgalan	40.05
2)	Alex Li	29.54
3)	E.Cronin/J.Lee/S.Endersbee	30.08

### Top Class E

1)	Kathy Schneider	36.31
2)	Brendon Barela	31.53
3)	Ramyashree Gangadhar	29.54

## General Information

I'd like to take time to announce the 2009 Colorado Email Correspondence Championship, which is to start January 1<sup>st</sup>. Entry fee is \$6 and is due by December 29<sup>th</sup>. Since this is a state championship event, CSCA membership is required and must be maintained throughout 2009. The format will be a round robin tournament. If more than 11 players sign

up then there will be a semi-final round and a final round with the best players from the semi-final moving on to the final. Time control is 30 days for 10 moves, and all games in a round are played simultaneously. Games will be rated by USCF (will affect your correspondence rating). If you would like additional information, please email [CSCAEMAILCC@gmail.com](mailto:CSCAEMAILCC@gmail.com).

Please email me at [boulderchessclub@yahoo.com](mailto:boulderchessclub@yahoo.com) if you'd like to be placed on (or taken off) the email list.

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