

2014 Spring Kansas Newsletter

(by Laurence Coker, editor)

There has been only one Kansas chess tournament since the Winter Plains Chess Bulletin. There was an **ICCC tournament at the ICC church in Olathe April 26**. There were 16 participating including me. The four round event was won by Tim Steiner and Jason Wawrzaszek with 3.5 points each. There was a three way tie for third with Dan Holmes, David Mello, and Abhishek Mallela all finishing with 3.0 points. Several scholastic players played in the tourney.

Pair Num	Player Name USCF ID / Rtg (Pre->Post)	Total Pts	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4
1	TIM C STEINER KS 12520946 / R: 2105 ->2118 Q: 1954 ->1970	3.5	W 8	W 5	D 2	W 3
2	JASON WAWRZASZEK KS 12685755 / R: 2013 ->2021 Q: 1874 ->1883	3.5	W 9	W 11	D 1	W 6
3	ABHISHEK MALLELA MO 12888811 / R: 2173 ->2166 Q: 1988 ->1984	3.0	W 12	W 7	W 4	L 1
4	DAVID T MELLO MO 12587510 / R: 1848 ->1849 Q: 1800 ->1796	3.0	W 15	W 13	L 3	W 10
5	DAN B HOLMES KS 13221068 / R: 1763 ->1761 Q: 1669 ->1667	3.0	W 10	L 1	W 14	W 9
6	DR JASON QIAN KS 13469141 / R: 1665 ->1708 Q: 1534 ->1579	2.5	H	W 12	W 7	L 2
7	SAM N UN KS 12571317 / R: 1759 ->1738 Q: 1614 ->1591	2.0	W 16	L 3	L 6	W 14
8	CHINMAY KRISHNA KS 14433377 / R: 1282 ->1291 Q: 1153 ->1172	2.0	L 1	L 10	W 16	W 13
9	NATHAN GAID MO 15111437 / R: 1218P24->1226 Q: 1170P24->1173	2.0	L 2	W 16	W 11	L 5
10	ETHAN BUI KS 15061846 / R: 963 ->1134 Q: 1018 ->1161	2.0	L 5	W 8	W 13	L 4
11	WILLIAM JIAYANG JIANG KS 14199457 / R: 717P19-> 790P22 Q: 712 -> 760	2.0	B	L 2	L 9	W 15
12	LAURENCE COKER KS 12174160 / R: 1597 ->1583 Q: 1446 ->1431	1.0	L 3	L 6	W 15	U
13	HYUNG JU NAM KS 14292541 / R: 1605 ->1533 Q: 1532 ->1458	1.0	W 14	L 4	L 10	L 8

14	BILL NINGYUAN QIAN		1.0	L	13 W	15 L	5 L	7
KS	15206304 / R: 874P15-> 917P19			B	W	B	B	
	Q: 811P15-> 839P19							
15	RITA MARY JOSEPH		0.0	L	4 L	14 L	12 L	11
KS	14982768 / R: 1031 -> 955			W	B	W	B	
	Q: 861 -> 796							
16	SIDDHARTH JASTI		0.0	L	7 L	9 L	8 U	
KS	14435023 / R: 904 -> 889			W	B	B		
	Q: 537P21-> 533P24							

Item to be on Agenda for Annual Meeting

The annual meeting for the Kansas Chess Association is held every year during the Kansas Open. This year it is on Sunday July 20 from 8 am till 9 am in the main playing area of the chess tournament. (Note- there is a free breakfast for Kansas Chess Association members from 7:30 am till 9 am: \$10 for non-KCA members: Limit 60 signing up) Other than discussion of finances and election of officers, sometimes items are brought forth to be voted on. To continue to encourage scholastic players to participate in adult tournaments the following will be voted on.

"Funding for and advertisement on the Kansas website for all tournaments in Kansas by the Kansas Chess Association requires a scholastic rate option for scholastic players. This is so scholastic players will have the option to not compete for and not be eligible for money prizes."

If you have an item you want added to the annual meeting for discussion contact me at wlcoker@hotmail.com If anything comes up, I might just revise this newsletter and re-post it with the revision.

Future tournaments

Between now and the Kansas Open there is only one scheduled tourney in the state of Kansas. It is the ICCC tourney at the Indian Creek Community Church at 12480 S Black Bob Rd, Olathe, KS on June 14th. See flier <http://www.kansaschess.org/htdocs/2014ICCCJuneFlier.pdf>

Noteworthy: there is a Missouri tourney directed by Kansas Chess Association board member CJ Armenta June 28th in the Kansas City area <http://www.kansaschess.org/htdocs/2014KansasCityOpenFlier.pdf>

RATINGS

For those interested I looked up the highest rated players with Kansas membership as of May 1st in anticipation that some might play in the Kansas Open and one might become our state champion. And, I also looked up the list of most active players in Kansas (KCA) tournaments within the state over the last five years. This author is one of those listed.

TOP 25 Rated Kansas players (both active and inactive as of 5/1/2014)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Rating</u>	<u>(Past Kansas Champion)</u>
1. GM Conrad Holt	2643	2011, 2013
2. Maxx Coleman	2247	2006, 2010
3. WIM Yuliya Levitan	2231	
4. Wesley Koehler	2230	1977, 1980
5. Luidmila Mokriak	2115	2005
6. Tim Steiner	2105	2000, 2012
7. Jason Kasick	2074	1996
8. Joey Kelly	2013	
9. Jason Wawrzaszek	2013	
10. Brian Yang	2006	
11. Kyle Camarda	2000	2002
12. Tony Cheng	1999	
13. John Crooks	1995	
14. David Blair	1958	
15. Christopher Purdy	1929	2008
16. Terry Wright	1915	
17. Mohammadreza Hajairbabi	1914	
18. David Gollub	1913	
19. Harold Linde	1909	
20. Hongbiao Zeng	1901	
21. Shaktiprasad Shimpi	1894	
22. Kim Jones	1891	
23. Jack Easton	1885	
24. John J Schuller	1876	
25. Vladamir Iglesias	1869	

Most active Kansas players in their participation in tourneys run by Kansas affiliate over last five years

<u>Name</u>	<u>Number of tourneys run by Kansas affiliate attended</u>
1. Dan Holmes	32
2. Laurence Coker	30
3. Tony Cheng	27
4. Brian Yang	23
5. Kyle Camarda	23

(See scholastic Chess next page)

Scholastic Report

My recent interest in the Scholastic events started when I noted our KCA President, Brian Yang, helped in directing (assisting) the National Elementary in Dallas, Texas May 9 to 11 and helped in directing (assisting) the National Junior High tourney in Atlanta April 25 to 27.

Thus, I started researching results. I thought I would post what I found when I looked at Kansas players playing in National Scholastic tourneys. Hopefully, some of these players will play in this year's Kansas Open.

I looked at only the main sections of the tournaments.

National High School Championship- San Diego, CA- April 4 to 6, 2014

Only **K to 12** section, 338 in section (7 rounds)

Apramay Mishra	3.5 points
Edward Lennon Wilson	2.5 points
Kaustabh Nimkar	2.5 points

National Junior High Tournament- Atlanta, GA- April 25 to 27, 2014

K-9, 138 in section (seven rounds)

Zachary Schuh	4.0 points
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K-8, 286 in section (seven rounds)

Joey Kelly	5.0 points
Milton Arai Lee	5.0 points
Jack Easton	4.5 points
Gordon Arai Lee	3.5 points

National Elementary Tournament- Dallas, Texas- May 9 to 11, 2014

K-6, 196 in section (seven rounds)

Isaac Lee	3.5 points
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K-5, 351 in section (seven rounds)

Sheena Zeng	5.0 points
Gordon Arai Lee	5.0 points
Bill Ningyuan Qian	4.0 points
Chimnay Krishna	3.5 points
Rita Joseph	3.0 points
Logan Camarda	2.5 points
Jackson Ray Barnett	1.5 points
Ryan Thomas Helm	1.0 points

Sorry if I left some names out. Sorry if I got some of the scores or names wrong. Sorry, if students played and names were left out because I only looked at main sections. Hopefully, some of these scholastic players can play in the Kansas Open in July.

Well, that is all I have for this newsletter. I hope to see many of you at the upcoming Kansas Open. (see Flier)

<http://www.kansaschess.org/htdocs/2014KansasOpenFlier.pdf> For those looking for the Winter PLAINS CHESS bulletin try this link .

<http://www.kansaschess.org/htdocs/2014WINTERPLAINSCHESS.pdf>