



Waikato Chess Open

Friday 11th to Sunday 13th August, 2017



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"A mind is like a parachute. It doesn't work if it is not open" – Frank Zappa

Grand Prix Class One Event

The Tournaments:

An Open and an under 1800 tournament, each a six round Swiss with a time control of all moves in 90 minutes plus an increment of 30 seconds per move. The Open tournament will be a FIDE rated event. Both tournaments are nationally rated and are therefore open only to NZCF registered players (or overseas players registered with their national federation). Players under 1800 NZCF rating may enter the Open tournament, but the organisers reserve the right to move players between events if they feel that it is appropriate. The event will be subject to the 'Rules of the Waikato Chess Open'.

Venue:

Saint Paul's Collegiate School, Hukanui Road, Hamilton

No smoking will be permitted at the venue. St Paul's Collegiate has a total non-smoking policy.

Timetable:

Friday 11 th August	Saturday 12 th August	Sunday 13 th August
Rnd 1 7:15 pm	Rnd 2 9:00 am	Rnd 5 9:00 am
	Rnd 3 2:00 pm	Rnd 6 2:00 pm
	Rnd 4 7:00 pm	

A players' meeting will be held at 7:00 pm Friday. A prize-giving will follow the completion of the last game on Sunday.

Prize Fund:

Open Tournament:

1st \$325, 2nd \$200, 3rd \$150
Grade Prizes: cash and chess book prizes to the value of \$175

Under 1800 Tournament:

1st \$175, 2nd \$125, 3rd \$75
Grade Prizes: cash and chess book prizes to the value of \$175

Best result by a Waikato player – title of 'Waikato Champion' plus Waikato Open 'Len Whitehouse Memorial' Championship Trophy. Best result by a Waikato Junior – the 'William Lynn Cup'.

Entry Fee:

Open Tournament: \$60 Under 1800 Tournament: \$50

Late Entry Fee \$10 for entries received after Tuesday 8th August.

NZCF registration for 2017 if required: \$20

Discounts: IMs free entry; Family discount: deduct \$5 per player for 2 or more members of same family.

Half Point Bye: Any player may elect to take a half point bye in either round 1 or 4. For round 1 this must be notified with your entry, and for round 4 before the start of round 3. Bye requests can be noted on the online entry form.

Online Entry: <https://hamiltonchess.net/waikato-open-2017/>

Direct Credit to Bank Account: 12-3454-0017302-00 (reference 'WKTO' & your name)

Or post entries to: Hamilton Chess Club, C/- P.O. Box 604, Hamilton.

Email Contact: hiltonb@wave.co.nz