




NCCA Open Meeting

March 14 2:30 PM



Introductions

- NCCA Board
- Attendees

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Advertise chess & you as a chess player

- chess awareness is at an all time high
- Wear club/tournament chess shirts
- Burlington facebook & webpage attention is through the roof
 - home page needs info on how to meet online with us - info on COVID-19 era activities
 - changing things to address beginner issues with videos
 - we have lost the social aspect and how beginners to club chess get started
- Cross Advertise: advertise other clubs online activities for those that need different nights

What are other clubs doing during COVID

- Online Clubs/Activities - not just a server list
 - Burlington - Sunday meeting, leagues, catch as catch can event
 - Greensboro
 - Jacksonville
- NCCA could help spread ideas and advertise COVID efforts

Leagues

- World 2021 League
 - <https://results.scorchapp.co.uk/t/2020chess/pairings/6>
- Chess.com Club League
 - <https://www.chess.com/league/chess-com-clubs-league>

Where to find online events

- USCF online events
 - chess.com has multiple free USCF rated events per week: Sat, Mon, Wed, Fri
 - <https://www.chess.com/club/uschess-members-only>
 - ICC & Continental Chess: lots of USCF rated tournaments with prize money
 - <http://www.chesstour.com/refs.html>
 - chess4all
 - <https://chessforallonline.com/Tournaments>

Rating

- USCF ratings
 - 6 ratings now: added online regular, quick and blitz - independent of OTB
- Online ratings
 - lots of different systems: ICC modified Elo, Chess.com Glicko #1, Lichess Glicko #2
- The online systems don't line up w/ USCF or FIDE
- Nor do they carry the normal meanings
 - 300 rating gap implies 85% chance of winning

Tips for creating an online event

- Getting started with Zoom video - very important for many nontech people
 - getting started in under 3 minutes - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qsy2Ph6kSf8>
- Pick a chess server - one easy to use and FAQ/videos on getting started
- Create a club for the event on that server
 - <https://lichess.org/team/burlington-nc-usa-chess-club>
 - <https://lichess.org/team/ambush-chess>
 - <https://www.chess.com/club/burlington-ambush-chess-club>
- You'll need videos or at least a FAQ on how to do common things like challenge a specific opponent, offer draw, resign ...
 - At least this info <http://aigames.net/Ambush/NCCA/2020NCSeniors/AmbushChessFAQ.html>
- Where will results be posted?
- Where will realtime communications happen - server clubs have forums and chat areas

Videos

- I've found people have a hard time reading directions for using chess tech. Most have an even harder time writing clear directions.
- Solution - Windows Screen Video: windows button + g
- My recent video
 - starting out on Chess.com
 - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n8R2_vSwKLA

Ideas

- NC online club - currently the social aspect of chess is missing - zoom could help
- NC online catch as catch can tournament
- NC Grand Prix (ALTO)
- Booth at events like State Fair
 - Maker Fairs – Blindfold, blitz and bullet, simul
- Twitch players
- CONTACT Club presidents about this info



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