

Tyee Chess Club 2025-26

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Why join chess club?

Helps Critical
Thinking and Problem
Solving

Improves Focus and
Concentration

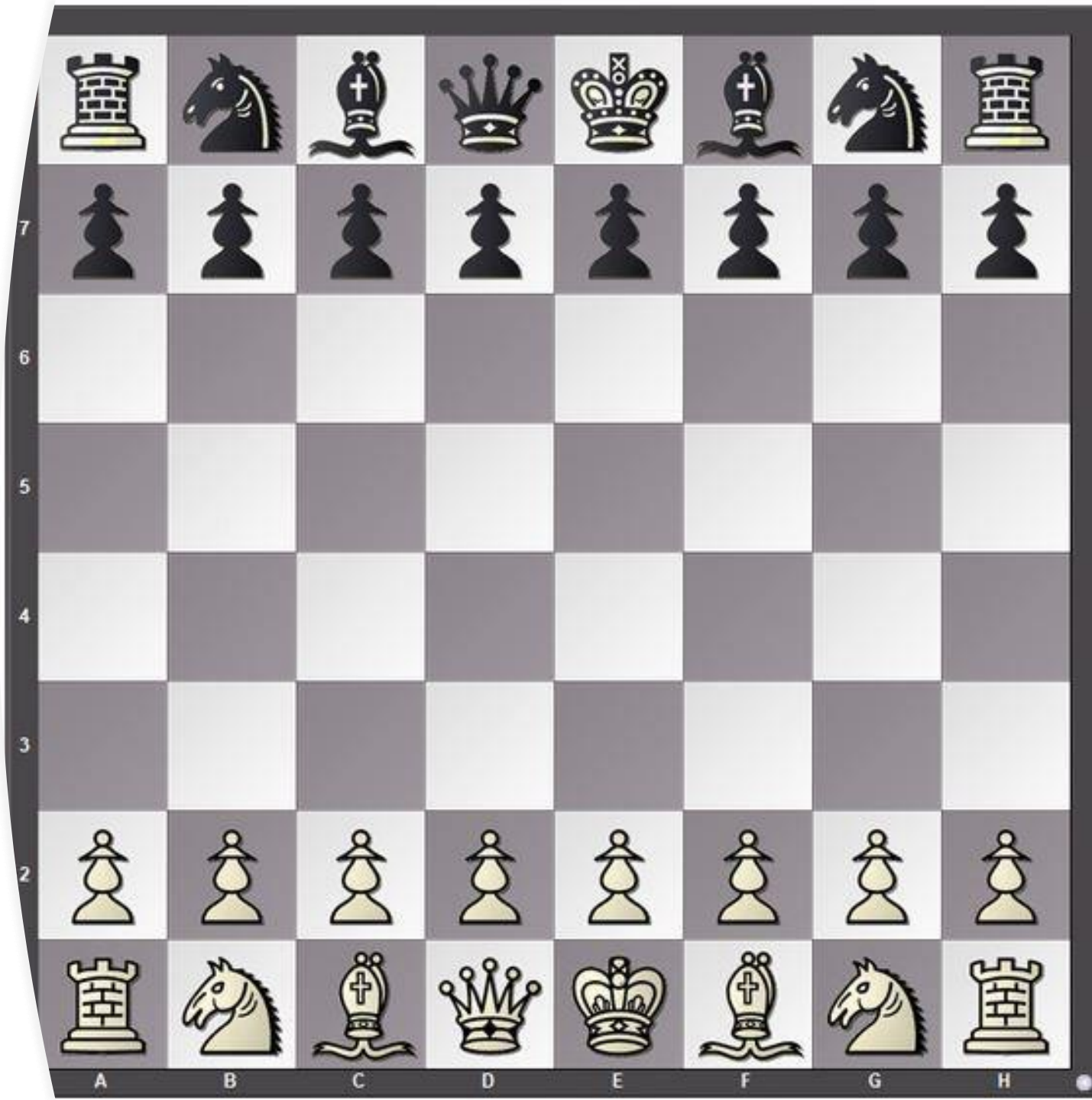
Aids in
Sportsmanship and
especially Social
Skills

Boosts Self-
Confidence and
Resilience, in and
out of the chess
board

Develops Patience and
Planning Skills

Who Can Join?

- This club is open to anyone who knows the rules of chess or wishes to learn.
- We'll make sure that anyone of any skill level from beginner to advanced will find something for themselves.
- The most important thing about the club is to ENJOY, have fun, and learn along the way.



Your Coaches

- Evan Cen, 2024 WA Middle School State Co-Champion, and has been playing competitively for five years.
- Thrinay Subramanian, 2025 WA Junior Open Co-Champion, 2025 Mid-Year Scholastic Champion, has been playing competitively for six years.
- We were both on the Interlake Varsity team last year and are aiming to make it again when the season restarts.



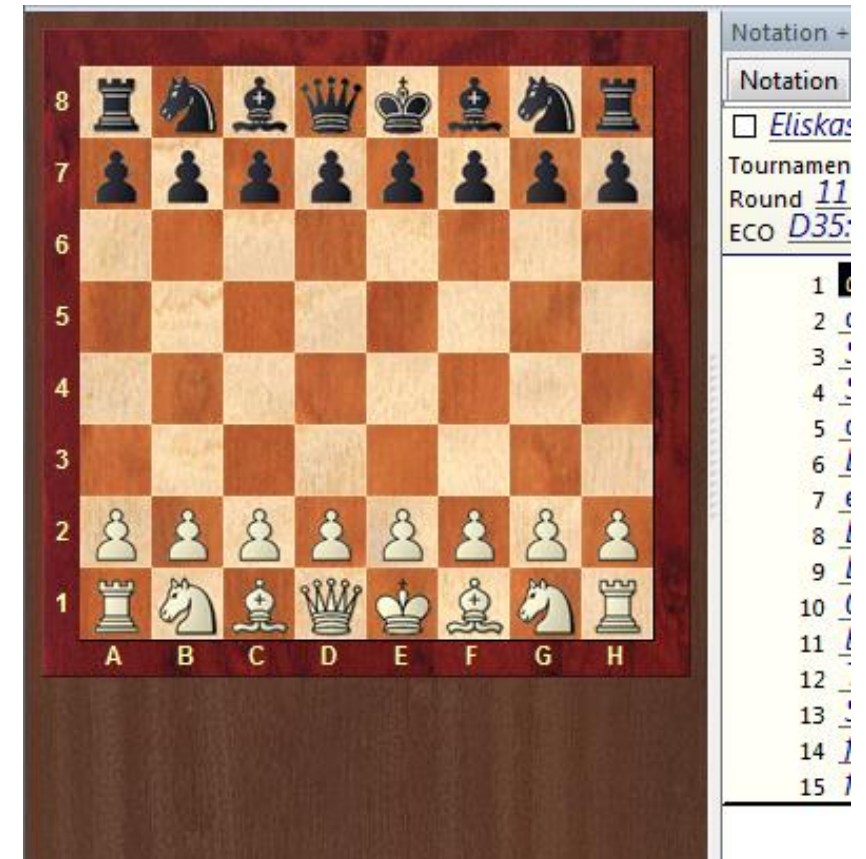
What will club meetings look like?

- Club meetings are planned for Tuesdays, at 6:50 PM, and will last until 7:50 PM.
- In any average club meeting, our goal is to get in about 40 minutes of playtime and about 15 minutes of instruction time.
- Instruction time can include both lessons (openings, strategic, or endgame) or tactical practice.
- Boards, pieces, chess clocks, and notation sheets will be provided by the club.



Some Rules

- Attend club meetings regularly (very important!)
- Actively participate in puzzles, tournaments, class discussions, and gameplay.
- Follow the requests of coaches and parent volunteers
- Put away electronic devices before meeting starts; keep them nearby if needed, but no unnecessary usage during club time.
- No food... except what we will occasionally provide.
- Clean up before leaving!



Registration

- \$25 registration fee per student
 - Registration fee will cover chess equipment (boards, pieces, clocks), books, notation sheets, club basics, EOY pizza.
- Make sure that you are a PTSA member.
- Registration will open Thursday, September 18th, 7 PM, and close on Tuesday, September 23rd, at 9 PM, or when all 30 spots are filled..
- First come first serve. Max. 30 students, due to space constraints.



What are our goals?

- To help everybody enjoy chess club and take something of value from it, in chess or out.
- To give useful instruction to intermediate/advanced players, and to create a conducive environment for their improvement.
- To give beginners a solid strategic and tactical base to their chess play.
- To occasionally bring in a strong player or a master to provide input and give lessons. We didn't get around to this last year, but we are planning this year.
- AGAIN, MOST IMPORTANTLY, TO HAVE FUN



Parents are wanted to volunteer at least 2 times during the year, and parents are welcome to volunteer more if they wish to.

Check and respond to club emails, which will contain important information and biweekly or monthly updates.

Maintain order and safety during club meeting.

Encourage and help your student in signing up for tournaments, which we'll also provide information on.



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