



Calendar of Events 2024

January:

MCC Rapid Matchplay Championship

Monday 8 January – Monday 29 January

Matchplay tournament + Consolation Swiss for players eliminated from Matchplay tournament

Time Control: 13 minutes + 2 seconds per move

Entry fee: \$50 Full Member, \$40 Concession/Junior Member (add \$15 for Non-Members)

MCC Australia Day Weekender

Thursday 25 January – Sunday 28 January

7 Round Swiss, FIDE & ACF Rated. Time Control: 90 minutes + 30 seconds per move

Entry Fee: \$70 Full Member, \$60 Concession/Junior Member (add \$15 for Non-Members)

Early bird discount of \$10 if paid by Saturday 20 January

February:

MCC Junior Championship

Thursday 1 February – Thursday 21 March

8 Round Swiss, FIDE & ACF Rated. Time Control: 90 minutes + 30 seconds per move

Entry fee to be advised.

All players must be MCC Members

MCC Blitz Championship

Sunday 4 February

13 Round Swiss, FIDE & ACF Rated. Time Control: 3 minutes + 2 seconds per move

Entry fee to be advised.

(Best performing MCC member will win the title of "MCC Blitz Champion")

MCC Club Championship

Monday 5 February – Monday 15 April (No play 11 March due to Begonia Open and 1 April due to Doeberl Cup)

9 Round Swiss, FIDE & ACF Rated. Time Control: 90 minutes + 30 seconds per move

Entry Fee: \$90 Full Member, \$80 Concession/Junior Member

Early bird discount of \$10 if paid by Saturday 3 February

All players must be MCC Members

March: (MCC Club Championship and MCC Junior Championship continues)

April:

MCC Autumn Festival

Tuesday 2 April – Thursday 11 April

Various classical, rapid and blitz chess tournaments – dates and details to be confirmed

Bob Bergmanis Memorial Weekender

Wednesday 24 April – Sunday 28 April

9 Round Swiss, FIDE & ACF Rated. Time Control: 90 minutes + 30 seconds per move

Entry Fee: \$80 Full Member, \$70 Concession/Junior Member (add \$15 for Non-Members)

Early bird discount of \$10 if paid by Saturday 20 April

City of Melbourne Open

Monday 29 April – Monday 1 July (No play 10 June due to Victorian Open)

9 Round Swiss, FIDE & ACF Rated. Time Control: 90 minutes + 30 seconds per move

Entry fee: \$80 Full Member, \$70 Concession/Junior Member (add \$15 for Non-Members)
Early bird discount of \$10 if paid by Saturday 27 April

May and June: (City of Melbourne Open continues)

July:

MCC Winter Festival

Tuesday 2 July – Thursday 11 July

Various classical, rapid and blitz chess tournaments – dates and details to be confirmed

Edwin Malitis Memorials

Monday 8 July – Monday 19 August

Major Open (1600+ FIDE or ACF rated players only):

7 Round Swiss, FIDE & ACF Rated. Time Control: 75 minutes + 30 seconds per move

Minor Open:

7 Round Swiss, FIDE & ACF Rated. Time Control: 60 minutes + 30 seconds per move

Entry Fee: Major and Minor – \$70 Full Member, \$60 Concession/Junior Member

(add \$15 for Non-Members) Early bird discount of \$10 if paid by Saturday 6 July

August:

MCC Classic

Monday 26 August – Monday 21 October

Round Robin: 10 player Round Robin for top 9 FIDE rated entrants plus the 2023 MCC Classic qualifier (whose entries are registered no later than Saturday 24 August)

Open: 9 Round Swiss for remainder of entries (a rating cap on Swiss entries at around the rating of the bottom seeded Round Robin player may be set), FIDE & ACF Rated

Time Control: 90 minutes + 30 seconds per move

Entry Fee: \$80 Full Member, \$70 Concession/Junior Member (add \$15 for Non-Members)
Early bird discount of \$10 if paid by Saturday 24 August

September:

MCC Spring Festival (incl. AFL Grand Final Eve Blitz)

Tuesday 24 September – Thursday 3 October

Various classical, rapid and blitz chess tournaments – dates and details to be confirmed

October:

Bob Brooking Round Robins

Monday 28 October – Monday 16 December (No play 4 November due to Greg Hjorth Open)

7 Round (8 player) Round Robin for each of the top 4 sets of 8 players,

7 Round Swiss for remainder of entries (subject to conditions to be confirmed)

FIDE & ACF Rated

Time Control: 90 minutes + 30 seconds per move (Top Round Robin)

75 minutes + 30 seconds per move (All other Round Robins and Swiss)

Entry Fee: \$70 Full Member, \$60 Concession/Junior Member (add \$15 for Non-Members)
Early bird discount of \$10 if paid by Saturday 21 October

November:

Greg Hjorth Open Weekender

Friday 3 November – Tuesday 7 November

9 round Swiss, FIDE & ACF Rated. Time Control: 90 minutes + 30 seconds per move

Entry fee: \$100 Full Member, \$90 Concession / Junior Member

Add \$15 for Non-Members

Early-Bird discount of \$15 if paid by Saturday 28 October

\$8000+ Prize pool guaranteed:

MCC Allegro Championship

Saturday 23 November

9 Round Swiss. Time control: 13 minutes + 2 seconds per move

Entry Fee: \$15 Adult Member, \$10 Junior Member

\$25 Adult Non-Member, \$20 Junior Non-Member

(Best performing MCC member will win the title of "MCC Allegro Champion")

December:

MCC Xmas Fastplay Championship

Saturday 14 December – Sunday 15 December

7 Round Rapid Swiss, FIDE & ACF Rated. Time Control: 25 minutes + 10 seconds per move

Entry fee to be advised

WEEKLY EVENT CALENDAR*:

Sunday Calendar:

Closed

Monday Night Calendar:

Tournament Evening (See above)

Tuesday Calendar:

(1) Tuesday Night Blitz

Wednesday Night Calendar:

Social Night

Thursday Calendar:

(2) Group Coaching (WGM Julia Ryjanova)

Saturday Calendar:

(3) Junior Coaching & (4) Weekly Allegro

See also *Weekenders* (above)

(* Variations may be advised at short notice)

(1) Tuesday Night Blitz

Every Tuesday at 6:30 pm to approx. 8:30 pm

3 minutes plus 2 seconds per move (or 5 minutes per player)

\$7 entry for Members, \$12 for Non-Members

Format depends on numbers (commonly round robin or double round robin)

(2) Group Coaching (WGM Julia Ryjanova)

Group coaching for beginner to intermediate level players by Women's Grandmaster Julia Ryjanova every Thursday at 7 pm to approx. 8:30 pm.

Monthly cost: Members – \$25 for 5 sessions, \$20 for 4 sessions.

Non-members – \$50 for 5 sessions, \$40 for 4 sessions.

Walk-in cost: Members – \$10 per single session. Non-members – \$15 per single session.

(3) Saturday Morning Junior Coaching

Every Saturday during school term, and casually during school holidays, from 10am to noon

Term 1: 3 February to 23 March

Term 2: 20 April to 22 June

Term 3: 20 July to 14 September

Term 4: 12 October to 14 December

(4) Saturday Afternoon Allegro

Every Saturday at 2pm (except during Weekenders and otherwise advised)

7 round Swiss

Time control: 13 minutes + 2 seconds per move

Entry Fee: \$15 Adult Member, \$10 Junior Member

\$25 Adult Non-Member; \$20 Junior Non-Member

MCC Annual General Meeting (AGM)

A Sunday afternoon or evening late in the year or early 2025