**Nebraska Winter Open 2024**

**Chess Tournament**

**Date:** **Feb 17-18 2024**

**Location: Marriott Fairfield Inn & Suites**

[**Address**](https://www.google.com/search?sca_esv=584961557&rlz=1C1RXQR_enUS1082US1082&sxsrf=AM9HkKltltS5LMs1M-m5FJV0VnMOnlyfHg:1700797174575&q=fairfield+inn+%26+suites+by+marriott+omaha+west+address&ludocid=908241689324301176&sa=X&ved=2ahUKEwi1qrOb29uCAxWcv4kEHaz_B_EQ6BN6BAhdEAI)**: 17240 Wright St, Omaha, NE 68130**

[**Phone**](https://www.google.com/search?sca_esv=584961557&rlz=1C1RXQR_enUS1082US1082&sxsrf=AM9HkKltltS5LMs1M-m5FJV0VnMOnlyfHg:1700797174575&q=fairfield+inn+%26+suites+by+marriott+omaha+west+phone&ludocid=908241689324301176&sa=X&ved=2ahUKEwi1qrOb29uCAxWcv4kEHaz_B_EQ6BN6BAhWEAI)**: -** [**(402) 504-9444**](https://www.google.com/search?q=fairfield+omaha+west&sca_esv=584961557&rlz=1C1RXQR_enUS1082US1082&sxsrf=AM9HkKmb00pvszjLS0TX3p7JB-ccpJsVVg%3A1700797156244&ei=5BpgZZbHDp2A5OMP78SZ0As&gs_ssp=eJzj4tVP1zc0TM4tzqnISzE2YLRSMaiwMLc0TjM0ME8xS040sUwxtTKoSLZMTLI0MDRMNTMwSjK38BJJS8wsSstMzUlRyM9NzEhUKE8tLgEANr4Wxg&oq=fairfield+omaha+west&gs_lp=&sclient=gws-wiz-serp)

**Entry Fee:**  **$70 by 2/10/2024 for the Open, $80 on site.**

**$25 by 2/10/2024 for the RBO, $30 on site.**

**$10 by 2/10/2024 for the Blitz, $15 on site.**

**Pre-Registration and Pre-Payment:**

**PayPal/Zelle transaction to seetharambtech@gmail.com**

**General Information:**

The Open is a 5 round Swiss with a time control of 90 minutes + 30 second increment and will be USCF The Open Section is a POY (Player of the Year) event.

The RBO is also a 5 round Swiss played only on Saturday, Feb 17. The time control is 30 minutes delay 5 seconds and is USCF rated, Players in the RBO must be rated under 1200.

**Additional Information:**

* Players must provide their own chess sets and clocks. Only a few extra sets and clocks will be available from the organizer.
* Notation paper with carbonless copy will be provided to both the Open and RBO by the organizer.
* Onsite changes to the RBO’s round times take priority over the times listed in this flyer.
* Byes
  + One ½ point bye per player. A last round bye must be requested prior to the start of the 3rd round. Byes for all other rounds must be requested 1 hour prior to the start of the round.
* Electronic devises
  + FIDE rule 11.3 enforced with regards to electronic devices. No electronic scoresheets are allowed.
* Spectator Rules
  + No spectators are allowed in the playing hall 10 minutes after the start of the round.
  + Players are allowed to spectate after their game is over.
  + Spectator rules are subject to change.

**Round Times:**

* **Open**
  + Saturday, Feb 17
    - Registration 9.30 to 10
    - R1: 10
    - R2: 2:30
    - R3: 7:00
  + Sunday, Feb 18
    - R4: 9:30
    - R5: 2:30
* **RBO – (Rated Beginner’s Open)**

Saturday, Feb 17

* + - Registration 1 PM
    - R1: 1.30
    - R2: 3.00
    - R3: 4:30
    - R4: 6:00
* **Blitz 5+0 4 SS**

Sunday, Feb 18

* + - Registration 1 PM R1: 1.30

**Prizes:**

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| Section(s) | Guaranteed Prizes |
| **Open** |  |
| 1st | **$350** |
| 2nd | **$250** |
| 3rd | **$100** |
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| U1800 | **$100** |
| U1600 | **$100** |
| U1400 | **$100** |
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| **Total** | **$1,000** |

**Trophies for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd will be provided to the top 3 finishers of the RBO. An U800 trophy and an U400 trophy will be provided for the top finishers rated U800 and U400, respectively.**

**Trophies for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd will be provided to the top 3 finishers of the Blitz.**

**The tie-break for the trophies will be decided in the following order:**

1. Common Game
2. Solkoff
3. Modified Median
4. Cumulative

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**Link for the Discount Rate at Omaha Marriot West:**

https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1701787528258&key=GRP&app=resvlink

**Social Media:**

**Please consider joining the following Nebraska Chess groups. Those who join the Lichess group will have access to games which have been recorded by the Nebraska game archivist. The games will be under Lichess studies.** [**https://lichess.org/study**](https://lichess.org/study)

* **Nebraska Chess Community on Facebook**
  + [**https://www.facebook.com/groups/1154213844943829**](https://www.facebook.com/groups/1154213844943829)
* **Nebraska Players club on chess.com**
  + [**https://www.chess.com/club/nebraska-players**](https://www.chess.com/club/nebraska-players)
* **Nebraska Players club on lichess.org**
  + [**https://lichess.org/team/nebraska-players**](https://lichess.org/team/nebraska-players)

**Also, be sure to visit the official Nebraska Chess website for the latest updates on upcoming tournaments.**

**http://nebraskachess.com/**