

Chess in a Cave

Saturday 3 November 2018

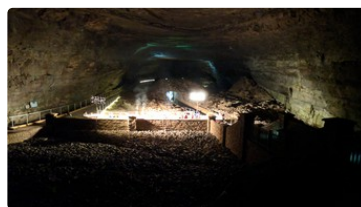
How cool is playing Chess in a Cave?

Very cool. So bring a light jacket. Also, a flashlight and comfortable walking shoes are useful on the optional 90 minute tour of [Cathedral Caverns State Park](#).

The [Huntsville Chess Club](#) in Alabama proudly sponsors the only rated chess tournament held entirely in a natural cave. This event is a unique combination of chess and North Alabama's largest limestone cavern. Scholastic players will receive a headlamp with their registration at check-in. For the first time, this year's event will include a blitz tournament after the scholastic award ceremony open to players of all ages with a USCF standard rating above 1200.



Chess Lecture before Round 1



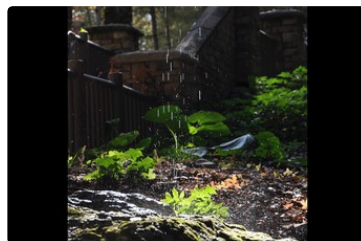
Smoke Rises from Torches



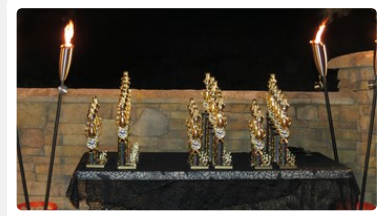
Ready for Round 1



2017 Tournament Play



Cave Environment



Darkness Held at Bay

Scholastic Tournament begins after last tour approximately

When

Saturday, Nov. 3rd, 4pm

Where

637 Cave Road Woodville, AL 35769

More information

REGISTRATION:

- <https://www.huntsvillecc.com/cavechess2018>
- Check-in times for tours are announced via email.
- Entry Fee for tournament only: \$40 before 11/01
- No on site registration.
- Discount 90-minute tour tickets: \$13 each.
- Additional Tours for Parents/Spectators offered at a discount at [on line registration](#).
- Registrations will include an opportunity to order catered food. Due to the Cave's remote location, this is your best option for dinner.

SECTIONS:

- Grades K-3, 6 trophies
- Grades 4-6, 10 trophies
- Open K-12, 6 trophies

DETAILS:

- Dual Rated: G/20, d5, No Byes
- 4 round Swiss System
- Rounds times TBA
- Tentatively 4:00, 4:50, 6:40, 7:30

Questions: HUNTSVILLECAVECHESS@GMAIL.COM

1200 and Above Rated Blitz Tournament begins after Scholastic award ceremony approximately

When

Saturday, Nov. 3rd, 9:30pm

Where

637 Cave Road, Woodville, AL 35769

More information

REGISTRATION:

- <https://www.huntsvillecc.com/cavechess2018blitz>
- Check-in times for tours are announced via email.
- Entry Fee for tournament only: \$20 before 11/01
- No on site registration.
- Discount 90-minute tour tickets: \$13 each.
- Additional Tours for Parents/Spectators offered at a discount at [on line registration](#).

SECTIONS: One section.

- 1st -3rd trophies
- Under 1600 1st-3rd trophies

DETAILS:

- Rated: G/3, i7, No Byes
- 4 round Swiss System
- Rounds times TBA starting 9:30 PM

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Schedule of Events (all times approximate)

1200 First tour group check-in begins; concessions open
1230 First tour begins; second tour group check-in begins
1300 Second tour begins; third tour group check-in begins
1330 Third tour begins
1500 30 minute Chess Lecture begins
1545 Scholastic player's meeting begins
1600 First round of scholastic chess tournament begins
1730 Catered food arrives
1930 Last round announcements and flash photography
2030 Scholastic Award Ceremony
2130 Blitz Tournament Begins
2230 Blitz Award Ceremony

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Welcome to the oldest chess club in the State of Alabama. HCC offers a congenial chess environment for both casual and serious play. Weekly meetings are held at the Huntsville Library (Main Branch), Mondays from 5:30PM – 9:00PM. We hope you'll swing by sometime and join us!

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