

Pairs 4000 Tournament I

Active/Blitz Tournament

(A 2005 Elod Macskasy Memorial Fundraising Event)

March 20, 2004
Vancouver Bridge Center

Are two heads better than one? Now's your chance to find out by joining fellow chess enthusiasts on Saturday, March 20, 2004, for a challenging day of chess entertainment.

Here's the way it works. Grab a partner and play. But there are some rules:

1. The combined rating of each partnership may not exceed 4000. Two 2000 players could partner, a 2200 player could team up with anyone rated 1800 or lower, and so on.

2. The amount of time each partnership receives in each event is related to its combined rating. There are two events:

a. Active: Teams receive between 15 minutes and half an hour.

b. Blitz: Teams receive between two and a half minutes and six minutes.

Combined rating	Active Time	Blitz Time
4000	15 minutes	2 min 30 sec
3950	16 minutes	2 min 45 sec
3900	17 minutes	3 minutes
3850	18 minutes	3 min 15 sec
3800	19 minutes	3 min 30 sec
3750	20 minutes	3 min 45 sec
3700	21 minutes	4 minutes
3650	22 minutes	4 min 15 sec
3600	23 minutes	4 min 30 sec
3550	24 minutes	4 min 45 sec
3500	25 minutes	5 minutes
3450	26 minutes	5 min 15 sec
3400	27 minutes	5 min 30 sec
3350	28 minutes	5 min 45 sec
3300	29 minutes	6 minutes
3250	30 minutes	6 minutes

*Round combined rating up to the nearest number divisible by 50
(3962 = 4000; 3643 = 3650, etc.)*

3. Prizes will be awarded for the top finishers in each event, as well as for the top combined totals.

4. The **active tournament** will be a four-round Swiss.

5. The **blitz tournament** will be a six-round Swiss, with each round consisting of a four-game match.

6. In each game, in both events, one player makes the first move for White, then the players alternate, each making two moves in a row:

Move	White	Black
1	Player A1	Player B1
2	Player A2	Player B1
3	Player A2	Player B2
4	Player A1	Player B2
5	Player A1	Player B1
6	etc.	

7. Partners may not talk about the game while playing. They may tell their partner to move (“It’s your move.”) and tell them to move quickly (“Hurry up, we have 20 seconds left!!”). Profanity and physical violence is not allowed except under extreme circumstances.

- Date** March 20, 2004 (Saturday)
- Location** Vancouver Bridge Center
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Vancouver, British Columbia
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- Registration** March 20, 9:00-9:30 am. Deadline for pre-registration, March 19, 2004
- Format** Active tournament, followed by a blitz tournament.
- Time Control** As above.
- Rounds** Play begins at 10:00 am and concludes at 3:00 pm.
- Entry fee** \$20 per team.
- Equipment** Please bring a chess clock if you have one.

NOTE: This is a fundraising event, open to all. The intent is to raise money to help bring titled players to the 2005 Elod Macskasy Memorial tournament, and thereby provide an opportunity for some of our local players to make IM and GM norms.

Special bonus event: *A Bug tournament will be held immediately upon completion of the blitz tournament if enough players wish to play.*

As of February 18, 2004, the following teams have confirmed their participation in this event:

Team	Players	Rating		
	Jack Yoos	2426		
	Tiffany Tang	1520	Active Time	Blitz Time
	Total	3946	16:00	2:45

Team	Players	Rating		
	Duncan Suttles	2484		
	Laura Harper	1407	Active Time	Blitz Time
	Total	3891	17:00	3:00

Team	Players	Rating		
	Bruce Harper	2337		
	Lara Heppenstall	1542	Active Time	Blitz Time
	Total	3879	17:00	3:00

Team	Players	Rating		
	Noam Davies	1946		
	Ben Daswani	1811	Active Time	Blitz Time
	Total	3757	19:00	3:30

Team	Players	Rating		
	Vas Sladek	2000		
	R. Beauchamp	1200	Active Time	Blitz Time
	Total	3200	21:00	4:00

Team	Players	Rating		
	Evgeni Goutor	1840		
	Andrey Kostin	1776	Active Time	Blitz Time
	Total	3616	22:00	4:15