

2008 Pesta Pulau Pinang Chess Open Tournament /

The Penang Chess League 2008

1. The Penang Chess League 2008 is a team-event chess tournament organised by the Penang Chess Association (PCA). The tournament format is a 7-round Swiss System played under the Laws of Chess of the World Chess Federation (FIDE) 2006 and the following supplementary rules.

2. Team Composition

The tournament is open to teams from these four broad categories: **Public Sector** (government and quasi-government departments), **Factories**, **Institutions of Learning** (schools, colleges & universities) and **Others** (companies, firms, registered societies/clubs). Each team shall represent an organization in any of the above categories and only their *bona fide* employees, members or students can be registered in the team. However, each team is allowed to include one guest player.

Each team shall comprise a minimum of three and a maximum of four players, with any three players to play in every round. Each team shall appoint a team captain.

Restriction: The average players rating (MCF Chess Rating) during play should be less than 1900.

Note: The MCF Chess Rating is approximately 250 points below FIDE elo rating. Player is allowed to register using MCF rating or FIDE rating minus 250 points whichever is lower.

3. Time Control & Move Recording

Each player shall be given **1 hour** to complete his/her game. **Recording of move is compulsory** for all players until the last 5 minutes.

Penalties: **The following penalties will be enforced for the duration of the tournament.**

1st offence: 5 minutes deducted and updating of scoresheet.

2nd offence: 10 minutes deducted and updating of scoresheet.

3rd and subsequent offence: Loss of game.

4. Schedule of play

Captains' meeting	13.30 p.m.		
Round 1 13.12.08	14.00 p.m.	Round 4 14.12.08	8.40 a.m.
Round 2 13.12.08	16.10 p.m.	Round 5 14.12.08	10.50 a.m.
Round 3 13.12.08	19.30 p.m.	Round 6 14.12.08	13.40 p.m.
		Round 7 14.12.08	15.50 p.m.
	Closing ceremony		6.00 p.m. – 7 p.m.

A Team Captains' meeting will be held prior to Round 1 at 13.30 p.m. A 5-man appeals committee will be formed. Team captains shall submit the final list of their players to the Tournament Director by 13.30p.m., failing which the the online registration board order will be the final board order. The board order of the players in every round shall follow this list.

Claims of ignorance due to the team captains' absence will **not be entertained** for anything decided and approved during the team captains; meeting.

All games shall be played in **Dewan Sri Pinang**, Pulau Pinang.

The Closing Ceremony will be held after the last round at 6.00p.m at the same venue.

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5. Prizes

Cash prizes will be awarded to the top teams, based on total game points scored:-

1st prize	RM1,500	5th prize	RM300
2nd prize	RM1,000	6th prize	RM300
3rd prize	RM800	7th prize	RM200
4th prize	RM500	8th prize	RM200

There shall be no sharing of prizes. The following tie-breaks, where applicable and in the order given, shall be used to resolve any ties:

(a) Solkoff (b) progressive score and (c) match points

Special team prizes will also be awarded for the following categories:-

Best Government Team	Best U18 B School Team & Top 30% Teams
Best Private Firm Team	Best U18 G School Team & Top 30% Teams
Best Factory Team	Best U-12 B Team & Top 30% Teams
Best College/University Team	Best U-12 G Team & Top 30% Teams
Best Ladies Team (ALL LADIES!)	Best U-9 B Team & Top 30% Teams
Best Family Team	Best U-9 G Team & Top 30% Teams

Individual medals will be awarded (based on percentage score) for the following categories:-

Best Board Prizes For Boards 1 – 4	Best Veteran (45 years)	Best Lady
Best U-18 Boy	Best U-18 Girl	Best U-15 Boy
Best U-15 Girl	Best U-12 Boy	Best U-12 Girl
Best U-9 Boy	Best U-9 Girl	

7. Submission of Entries & Entry Fees

The completed entry form together with the entry fee may be submitted to:

Penang Chess Association Club House at Bayan Baru.

Mr. Tan Eng Seong (Tel No: 012-4299517 after 7pm) or any PCA Committee Members.

Or register online: http://chess.euhong.net/index.php?option=com_performs&formid=41

The entry fee is **RM120 for Open category**, **RM90 for Under-18**, **RM60 for Under-12** and shall be in the form of cheque made payable to **Penang Chess Association**. The PCA shall not be responsible for any loss arising from cash money sent through post.

The closing date for entries is **11th Dec 2008**. Acceptance of entries is at the sole discretion of the Organising Committee. Entries received after the closing date may still be accepted but a late fee of RM50.00 shall be imposed.

8. Disputes

The decision of the Appeals Committee shall be final. An appeal should be submitted within 15 minutes of the end of a game together with a RM50 deposit. This deposit will be forfeited if the appeal is found to be baseless.

9. Liability

The PCA shall not be liable for any mishap or loss of personal property of participants during the course of the tournament. Participants and supporters must observe rules & restrictions and respect all property within Dewan Sri Pinang premises. The organizing committee deserves the right to change any of the regulation above without prior notice.

<i>Year</i>	<i>Penang Chess League Winners</i>
1991	Penang Free School
1992	PESSCA
1993	Penang Development Corporation
1994	Persatuan Alumni Chung Ling
1995	Chung Ling High School 'A'
1996	Chung Ling High School 'A'
1997	Penang Free School 'A'
1998	Penang Free School 'A'
1999	Penang Free School 'A'
2000	Penang Free School 'A'
2001	Penang Free School 'A'
2002	Persatuan Alumni Chung Ling 'Old'
2003	Old Free Association 'B'
2004	Old Free Association 'Nuts'
2005	Old Free Association 'A'
2006	Free Radicals
2007	Penang Free School 'A'
2008	



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