

# ***Golden Buckeye Senior Open & Adult U1800 Chess Tournament***

**An Ohio Championship Event!  
New Weekend... September 25-26, 2021  
Salt Fork State Park, Cambridge, Ohio**

*A relaxed schedule, intimate atmosphere, rustic secluded venue and natural surroundings all combine to make a unique and memorable weekend! Open to players age 18 & up from any state.*

**Site:** Salt Fork State Park Lodge\*, [www.saltforkstateparklodge.com](http://www.saltforkstateparklodge.com), 14755 Cadiz Rd, Lore City, OH 43755 (near Cambridge). \$119/night group room rate Friday & Saturday evenings, and special rates on cabins, some pet friendly. Call 800-ATA-PARK for reservations, ask for **Golden Buckeye Chess Tournament** room block. Group rate is only guaranteed through August 21<sup>st</sup>, may be honored later only if space is available. **Rooms are likely to sell out, reserve early if you want to stay on site!** Offsite hotels are at least 30 minutes away.

**2 Sections** (age as of December 31, 2021): Senior Championship (50 & older only), Adult U1800 (ages 18 and up; under 18 allowed if accompanied by a playing adult). An open section for ages 18-49 will be added if 6 or more commit in advance, contact the organizer if interested.

**Format:** 5 round Swiss, G/75, d10. One ½-point bye rounds 1-4, commit by end of round 2. Sets provided, **please bring clocks!** Optional Friday evening blitz for all ages, see details below.

**Prizes:** Trophies to top players in each section. *Ohio Senior Champion* title & trophy to top-finishing Ohio resident in Senior section. First time players (in this event), and returning players who recruit first time players, will be entered in drawings for a gift certificate good towards on-site lodging, gift shop or restaurant purchases.

**Entry Fee:** \$45 for entries paid [online](#) or received by 9/20, \$55 thereafter. [Enter online](#) (check or credit card) or mail entry with check payable to Fellowship of the King Chess Club, c/o Grant Neilley, 13270 Saylor Rd, Baltimore, OH 43105. No checks for on site entries. Refund less \$7 admin fee if withdraw by noon 9/24, then 50% until end of registration.

**Schedule:** Registration Sat 9:15-10:00am, rounds 10:15-2:00-6:30; Sunday 9:30-1:15. Optional Friday evening rated blitz open to all ages, G5 d/2, register on site by 7:45pm, round 1 8pm. Entry fee \$10, 60-70% paid out as prizes. Pairings & rounds at TD discretion.

**On line Registration** [Here](#), or see website for link. **Flyer and paper entry form** at [www.neilley.com/chess](http://www.neilley.com/chess). Contact Grant Neilley, [grant@neilley.com](mailto:grant@neilley.com) (preferred) or 614-314-1102.

**Health & Safety:** Use discretion whether to participate for your own health and safety. Please withdraw if you are ill the day of the event, COVID or otherwise. Please see next page for precautions we will and will not take before deciding whether to enter.

**\*Caution!** Not all GPS units will direct you correctly to the park lodge! Use the main park entrance on State Route 22, six miles east of I-77 from Exit 47. Follow park signs to the lodge, seven miles from the entrance on park Road 3. We suggest downloading a [park map](#) or detailed [directions from our website](#).

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## Golden Buckeye COVID Update

Please be aware we may be in very close quarters with the number of players expected. Boards will **not** be socially distanced.

Unless a new state, local or facility mandate is put in place, we will **not** require masks. We do *encourage* you wear a mask, especially if you are not vaccinated.

We will **not** do temperature checks. We will **not** require proof of vaccination or a negative COVID test.

Hand sanitizer will be available or bring your own. We are not planning to sanitize sets between each round, but wipes will be available if you wish to use them.

We will require everyone to sign a health liability waiver and verify they are not currently experiencing any COVID or other illness symptoms, and have not been in contact with anyone else with COVID in the prior 10 days.

Especially given the current prevalence of COVID and the Delta variant, before you come to the event you should carefully weigh any other health conditions you already have, your comfort level with the precautions we are and are not taking, and the potential risk of spreading or contracting COVID by participating. As much as I'm looking forward to seeing every one of you there, I want to *continue* seeing you there for a long time to come! If in doubt, consider taking a pass this year.

Though this should go without saying, do NOT come to the tournament if you are ill, COVID or otherwise. As a reminder, the most common symptoms of COVID, which may range from very mild to severe, can include:

- Fever or chills
- Cough
- Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
- Fatigue
- Muscle or body aches
- Headache
- New loss of taste or smell
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny nose
- Nausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea

If you have already entered and decide to withdraw for these or any other reasons, or something simply comes up at the last minute, **please** email [grant@neilley.com](mailto:grant@neilley.com) or text 614-314-1102 as soon as possible so we can adjust first round pairings accordingly. Likewise, if you find yourself running late, let us know so we won't withdraw you from the pairings.

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Entry Form**

Three ways to enter:

- 1) [On the web](#), payment by credit card, PayPal, check or money order.
- 2) Mail entry form with check or money order payable to Fellowship of the King Chess Club, c/o Grant Neilley, 13270 Saylor Rd, Baltimore, OH 43105; for lowest entry fee, mail with ample time to be received by 9/20
- 3) Enter on site, pay with cash or credit card, no checks. (Advance RSVPs appreciated.)

Section:        \_\_\_ Senior Championship (50 & older as of 12/31/21, born in 1971 & prior)  
                  \_\_\_ Adult U1800 (ages 18 & up as of 12/31/21, born in 2003 & prior)  
                  *Under 18 permitted if accompanied by a playing adult*

Name:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Email:

Telephone:

USCF ID:

Expiration:

Rating:

Date of Birth:

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**Optional:** request bye for round: \_\_\_1 \_\_\_2 \_\_\_3 \_\_\_4 (commit by end of round 2; only one ½-point bye, additional byes 0-point)

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