

# Continental Chess Championship for blind and decreased Visual people.

San Luis, Argentina, June 27th to July 1st, 2012.

## Rules

The Continental Chess Championship for blind and decreased visual people is possible thanks to the sponsoring of the Government of the province of San Luis.

The authorization of IBCA (International Braille Chess Association) America's Chess Confederation will allow that the tournament can be in an international level.

### A. Objective:

The continuous growth of chess among blind people has been a constant during these last few years and has allowed the interchange of pairs throughout Latin-America, in internet competitions. Today, such facts motivate us to organize an event of international significance, which brings together the best chess players in the American continent, which can be evaluated for the FIDE rating and allows strengthening the bonds of friendship among different towns.

### B. PARTICIPANTS:

B1. The Championship is reserved for Visual impaired or blind people (legally blind). For this reason, all enrolled should submit together with its registration, a scanned image of his certificate of visual impairment, given by an official agency of his country.

B2. The limit of registered participants will be given by the closing date for registration or the maximum capacity of the hall of games.

B3. Official players, who may attend with a companion, will be provided with accommodation and stay free of charge during the five days that the competition will be extended. Official players shall be considered as:

B.3.a. A representative of each of the national federations which are members of the Confederation of chess of America. They must submit the guarantees of their respective federations.

B.3.b. The two best players of each province from Argentina, plus a female representative, based on the list of ACUA active chess players with effective ranking, corresponding to January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012.

B.3.c. The organization may convene chess players with provisional ranking, in order to have more represented provinces.

B.3.d. The province of San Luis, host of this competition, will have a greater number of representatives. Also, the Organization reserves the right to make special invitations.

B4. The chess players who comply with the requirements of section B1, but are not covered within the Group of official players, will be considered as "extras". They will play in identical conditions as the official representatives, but will not have coverage of accommodation or meals. A list of hotels and their respective costs will be provided for them.

B5. The inscriptions will be made by e-mail, should interested parties complete the form available on our web site.

B6. The closure of registration shall be made to complete the planned quota or on May 30, 2012 (the condition that meets in the first place). List of registered participants will be regularly updated on the official website of the tournament.

B7. Subsequent to the closing entries will be taken as conditional.

B8. To complete their registration cards, the chess players accepted knowledge and respect the rules laid down for the present Championship.

#### C. TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS:

C.1. The tournament will be played under the current laws of chess FIDE (International Chess Federation).

C.2. The tournament will be elevated to FIDE for its computation in the Elo international ratings.

C.3. It will be played by Swiss system 7 rounds (Swiss Manager Program).

C.4. The initial order will be based on the Elo international ratings and its national rating. Those who do not have these evaluations will be sorted alphabetically.

C.5. The pace of a game will be 90 minutes per player over 30 seconds cumulative since the initial move.

C.6. While will be asked to observe punctuality for the beginning of each round, in order to consider unforeseen, apply a tolerance of 30 minutes from the hour for which the round was convened.

C.7. The following tiebreaker system will be used:

C.7.a. Individual result (only for first place and when applicable).

C.7.b. System Bucholz FIDE top (without the worst result).

C.7.c. System total FIDE Bucholz.

C.7.d. Progressive system.

C.7.e. Sonneborn Berger system.

C8. The use of cell phones is prohibited. Any sound emitted by a mobile phone will imply the automatic loss of the game.

C9. The Organization will have a supervisor for each game. However, it is recommended each chess player to record his departure, recorded in audio or Braille.

C10. The games will be generally played on two chessboards, unless both players agree to use only one.

C11. After making its move, the player must express it in clear form, according to the recommendations of FIDE, it can then stop his clock. The play will be repeated by his opponent and, where necessary, clarified by the Prosecutor.

C12. When facing the differences in the positions of both boards, the Prosecutor will take back the moves to that prior to the error, accordingly, the Prosecutor may intervene every time that an error in the movement of the pieces it constituted and seek clarification when the play performed on the Board differs from the one expressed.

C13. The Prosecutor regularly discusses with players about the time remaining in their clocks. However, a player may consult at a later time the State of the clocks, as long as it's their turn to play.

C14. A player may request the presence of the main arbitrator or their Deputy, when it does not coincide with any decision of the Prosecutor.

C15. If not coincide with a failure of the main referee, a player may appeal to the Appeals Committee, within one period no longer than half an hour from the end of his game. The decision of the Appeals Committee will be final.

#### D.SCHEDULE:

- Wednesday, June 27<sup>th</sup> :
  - Reception of players from 8:00 am.
  - Tourist tour: 3:00 pm.
  - Opening ceremony: 7:00pm.
- Thursday, June 28<sup>th</sup>:
  - 1° round, 9:00 am.
  - 2° round, 5:00 pm.

Friday, June 29<sup>th</sup>:

-3° round, 9:00 am.

- 4° round, 5:00 pm.

• **Saturday, June 30<sup>th</sup> :**

- 5° round, 9: 00 am.

- 6° round, 5:00 pm.

• **Sunday, July 1<sup>st</sup> :**

-7° round, 9:00 am.

-Awards ceremony: 3:00 pm.

**E- AWARDS:**

Medals will be awarded to:

- The three best classified of the tournament.
- The three best Argentinian Chess Players.
- The three best chess players of the Province of San Luis.
- The three best female chess players.

**F. AUTHORITIES:**

**F.1. Honor Commission:**

- CPN. Claudio Javier Poggi, Gobernador de la Provincia de San Luis
- Dr. Alberto Rodríguez Saa
- Lic. María Celia Sánchez, Ministra de Deportes de San Luis
- Dra. Alicia Bañuelos, Rectora de la ULP
- Intendente Municipal de Juana Koslay Andrés Vallone
- IA Jorge Vega Fernández, Presidente de CCA
- Ing. Mario Petrucci veedor de la FIDE
- Pte. de IBCA Ludwig Beutelhoff
- WGM Claudia Amura

**F.2. Director of the Tournament:**

- Al Marcelo Hermida

**F.3. Logistics Coordinator:**

Mónica Gabriela Pereyra

José Scalise

Daniel Morelli

F.4. Appeals Committee:

- It will be integrated by 3 members and 2 alternates, elected among the technicians accompanying the participants.

F.5 Main Moderator:

- IA Mario Zilli

F.6. Associate Moderators:

- AR José Scalise.
- AR Silvio Ricardo Reneé.

F.7 Prosecutors:

- They shall be appointed by the Organization of the tournament for each of the plays.
- The companions of the chess players may be part of the staff.

F.8. Press and Computing:

- Pablo Rafael Palmero

G. ACCOMODATIONS AND TRANSPORTATION:

G1. The seat of the tournament will be <http://www.sierrashotelsanluis.com/>

G2. Both the official chess players and their companions will be housed in a hotel next to the headquarters of the tournament (read attachment with information about the hotel). During the five days of their stay they will have all meals free of charge, from lunch from June 27<sup>th</sup>, until lunch of July, 1<sup>st</sup>.

G3. The "extras" players will be free to stay where ever they consider best. To offer different alternatives, different hotels and accommodation costs are listed in the attached detail.

G4. The move from their places of origin to the seat of the tournament will be in charge of the participants. You can access to the headquarters of the tournament by plane or bus (read attached detail about companies and services offered).

General information : <http://www.acua.org.ar> or [www.aei.edu.ar](http://www.aei.edu.ar)

