

NORTH - SOUTH CHESS MATCH

The annual Northern California - Southern California chess match will be held again at Atascadero, on Sunday, May 29, 1949.

The Atascadero Chamber of Commerce will stage another Chess Festival extending over the long week-end of May 28, 29, and 30. The following will be the order of the chess events:

SATURDAY, MAY 28: Registration of players all day at the Hotel Carlton. Two games will be played over the desk of the hotel, one in which the North will have White and one in which the South will have White. A prize will be awarded to the player making a winning move and some sort of forfeit will be coming for making a losing move. 8:00 P.M. Team 10-second match.

SUNDAY, MAY 29: 9:30 A.M. Assembly at the Lake Pavilion. Speeches.
10:00 A.M. The main event--North vs. South team match of upwards of 50 boards.
8:00 P.M. Blindfold chess simultaneous exhibition by George Koltanowski, world's champion blindfold player. Kriegspiel games and other chess events.

MONDAY, MAY 30: 10:00 A.M. Individual State Rapid Transit Championship Tournament.

A general meeting of all players for the purpose of forming a California State Chess Association will be held at a time to be announced.

In addition to chess, other activities are being arranged by our hosts, the Atascadero Chess Club and Chamber of Commerce, for the benefit of the families of the players. Details are not yet available, but we understand that boating facilities have been provided on Atascadero Lake and that the swimming, golf, tennis, and guided tours of past years will be in order.

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You are cordially invited to play. Please fill out and return the enclosed postal card as soon as possible (whether you are going or not!). Space has been provided on the card for information we must have in order to arrange for transportation and lodgings. We are especially anxious to locate players who can drive to the match and take passengers. For those who wish to take the train, the nearest regular stop is Paso Robles; we can arrange a pickup for the additional ten miles to Atascadero. Also please indicate if you are going to stay over Monday, May 30.

The match this year will be played between teams of perhaps 100 players on a side. Only the results of the first 50, however, will be counted towards the award of the Atascadero Trophy, thus keeping this trophy on the same basis of previous years.

We had to come from behind in 1948 to draw the match, $28\frac{1}{2}$ to $28\frac{1}{2}$. Since then, chess in southern California has been booming, and masters such as Reshevsky, Kashdan, and Kmoch have taken up residence in Los Angeles. Your presence in the lineup will strengthen our team. We earnestly hope you can accept.

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