

***New Jersey Chess Clubs 2024 (Information provided by the clubs; if you have a club, contact ptamburro@aol.com)***

### **Bergen Chess Mates**

Ridgewood United Methodist Church is the meeting place

Slawomir Ksiazek is the President. 201-787-3052

Lev Zilbermintz is the Vice President/Secretary

Meetings are held Mondays 6 pm - 10 pm.. Our website is [bergenchessmates.org](http://bergenchessmates.org)

### **“Chess and Bagels”--Livingston Senior Center**

Meets Saturday at Livingston senior center/ community center from 10-12. No charge, donations free bagels/ lots of kids but many adults too. Several strong players. Run by husband and wife team. Google “Chess and Bagels” Shes trademarked the name. ery nice room with tremendous parking. There were minimum of 40 people there when I was there. I said to contact us for ideas, help etc. Mayor was there too. They have been active for a few years now!

### **West Essex Chess and Games Club**

Meets on Wednesday 7-10 in Pia Costa Complex in West Caldwell Brand New West Caldwell Chess Club. Moda Art Studio Pia Costa Complex 1275 Bloomfield Ave West Caldwell Nj Building 1 Unit5 Thursday April 4th 7-10 Al Ha 973 288 4440 Mike Somers 973 652 7039

### **International Chess Academy**

Website: [icanj.net](http://icanj.net); Store: [ica.jumbula.com](http://ica.jumbula.com); (in process of creating application!); email: [chessdirector@icanj.net](mailto:chessdirector@icanj.net) or [icanewjersey@gmail.com](mailto:icanewjersey@gmail.com)

1. **185 Court Street, Teaneck NJ** 07666 201-833-1741
  - a. Monday and Wednesday from 5 pm till 8 pm
  - b. Sunday from 10 am till 2 pm
  
2. **354 Rock Road, Glen Rock NJ** 07452 201-797-0330
  - a. Tuesday and Thursday from 5 pm till 9 pm
  - b. Saturdays from 10 am till 9 pm

3. Saturday quads (every Saturday) are held in Glen Rock from 1:30 pm - 9 pm
4. We run monthly ICA Open (for everyone rated above 1600) in Glen Rock from 2 pm till 9 pm
5. Resumed Doctor Ostfeld Memorial Championships (in 7 sections) at Bergen Academies: 2023: June 4, Oct 15, Dec 10; 2024: Feb 11, Apr 21
6. Livingston Scholastic tournaments or Quads (monthly)

Diana Tulman /ICA Director/

## **West Orange Chess Club**

**WHO:** The West Orange Chess Club is one of the two largest chess clubs in the state. It is oriented around an atmosphere of inclusivity and welcoming under the core belief that chess should be a welcoming sport for all. Our current members range from age 5 to 92.

**WHEN:** Every Tuesday evening from 6-10 pm, except holidays. On rare occasions the township closes the facility for private events.

**WHERE:** Toby Katz Community Center. 650 Pleasant Valley Way. West Orange, NJ 07052

The location can be tricky to find. It's hidden behind the baseball fields and lake next to West Orange High School. Take the access road between the school and the fields. It's the little building at the end of the road. Parking is usually available, but on occasion parking at the high school (two-minute safe walk away) may be necessary.

**EQUIPMENT:** Sets, boards, and clocks are provided.

**ACTIVITIES:** Open / casual play, rated tournament play, inter-club play, blitz chess, and informal education and informational discussions. The level of play ranges from beginners to Master.

**ACCESSIBLE:** The location (to the best of our knowledge) meets ADA specifications for people with disabilities.

**WEBSITE:** <https://westorangechessclub.com/>

**FACEBOOK:** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2239424179432376>

**CONTACT:** 1) Club e-mail account at [wochessclub@gmail.com](mailto:wochessclub@gmail.com). 2) Club president John Hagerty (973-736-3433 from 10am to 9pm) or [buickchess@gmail.com](mailto:buickchess@gmail.com). 3) For tournament issues or information, Stephen Lorimor (908-286-0720, voice or text) or [sdlorimor@comcast.net](mailto:sdlorimor@comcast.net).

### **Morristown/Morris Township Library Chess**

1 Miller Road, Morristown, NJ 07960

Every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month

Bring your own chess equipment. Informal play; beginners to strong players participate.

530-830pm

### **Westfield Chess Club**

The club conducts tournaments most Sundays throughout the year. There are no formal meetings. Our current club champion is Maxim Farberov of Summit. Contact Haibo Hu [westfieldchessclub@gmail.com](mailto:westfieldchessclub@gmail.com) Our tournaments are held at the Westfield YMCA on 220 Clark Street in Westfield 9am-6pm

### **New Providence Chess Club**

Quality chess-events led by locally-sourced community members. Free of charge.

**WHO:** New Providence Chess Club is a club run by the community for all ages and playing strengths. We want to bring the joy of chess to as many people as possible, which is why all of our events are free of charge. No membership required

**WHEN:** We meet twice a week: Mondays for lectures (4:30-5:30) and game play (5:30-6:30), and Fridays for more casual games (4:30-6:30). Feel free to come and go at any time!

**WHERE:** On Monday nights, we meet in the New Providence Memorial Library at 377 Elkwood Ave, New Providence, New Jersey. Our Friday night events are at Strawberry Fields Frozen Yogurt, which is at 12 South St, New Providence, New Jersey.

**EQUIPMENT:** We provide all sets, boards, and clocks.

**ACTIVITIES:** Our lectures cover chess strategy, and you're guaranteed to learn something new, whether you're a beginner or a grandmaster. We also hold game nights where you can play against others of your own strength. We also hold rated and unrated free/no profit tournaments for you to gain valuable tournament experience.

**ONLINE:** You can visit our website at [www.npchessclub.org](http://www.npchessclub.org), and follow us on Instagram at [@npchessclub](https://www.instagram.com/npchessclub)

**EMAIL:** [new.providence.chess@gmail.com](mailto:new.providence.chess@gmail.com) Contact us to be added to our mailing list!

### **Kenilworth Chess Club**

575 Kenilworth Blvd., Kenilworth NJ

President Jack McCorkell, [kenilworthchessclub@gmail.com](mailto:kenilworthchessclub@gmail.com)

**WHO:** Established in 1972, the Kenilworth Chess Club is a fun and active club for beginner, intermediate, expert and master chess players. Visitors and new members are always welcome and chess lessons are available. Membership is not required to play, but some activities (such as our annual Club Championship tournament) are open only to members.

**WHEN:** We **meet every Thursday night beginning at 7:30 p.m. (7:00PM during Summer months)**

**WHERE:** in the **Recreation Center at 575 Kenilworth Boulevard in Kenilworth, New Jersey**. Enter through the rear door. The building is easy to find at the corner of 24th Street and less than a mile west of Garden State Parkway Exit 138 . It is **the building to the left of the Kenilworth Municipal Building**.

**EQUIPMENT:** Chess sets, boards, and clocks are provided.

**ACTIVITIES:** Most meetings feature casual play and discussion. We also often host chess instructional lectures, unrated and rated tournaments, and provide preparation activities in advance of the major regional rated tournaments. The KCC is a co-founder (along with the West Orange Chess Club) of the Garden State Chess League and proffers at least one club team each year in its annual club championship tournament. The Kenilworth Chess Club's team is this year's Garden State Chess League Hybrid Division Club Champion (the hybrid division competes in both OTB & On-Line matches).

**ONLINE:** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/9340940066537it92> and See our website [Kenilworth Chess Club](#) for further details about the Kenilworth Chess Club's history, Chess education resources, blog sites, etc

**CONTACT INFO: Jack McCorkell, Cell: 201 206 9209,  
Email: [jackmccorkell@prodigy.net](mailto:jackmccorkell@prodigy.net)**

### **Chess Mates Chess Club**

*The club is now located at 75 East Cherry Street, Suite 11 in Rahway, N.J.  
For more information, please visit [our web site](#), [email us](#), or call us at  
760-583-8429*

[Chessmates,NJ Gallery \(chessmatesnj.com\)](http://Chessmates,NJ Gallery (chessmatesnj.com))

Owner/Instructor Arthur Macaspac, [Arthur.macaspac@chessmatesnj.com](mailto:Arthur.macaspac@chessmatesnj.com)  
732-423-0553

Chief Instructor GM Leonid Yudasin

### **Kings & Queens Chess Academy**

1030 Stelton Rd, Piscataway, NJ 08854

[\(201\) 375-3426](tel:(201)375-3426)

[chesskingsandqueens.com](http://chesskingsandqueens.com)

### **TAG in Princeton-Chess Program**

100 Bunn Dr, Princeton, NJ 08540

[\(718\) 812-8154](tel:(718)812-8154)

[chesskidsny.com](http://chesskidsny.com)

- **Toms River Chess Club**
- 33 Washington Street, Toms River NJ, 08753
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- **WHO: Established in 1964, Toms River is the definitive Chess Club in the Jersey Shore region. With over 140 active members since January 2023, we are open to players of all ages and skill levels. We have an extensive history of both great chess players with grandmasters such as Mikhail Botvinnik and Fabiano Caruana visiting us and giving simuls at our club and a history of great administrators, former USCF President E. Steven Doyle got his start administrating here at Toms River!**

- **WHEN:** We **meet every Thursday evening from 5-9 P.M.** The only exception is Thanksgiving or when a federal holiday falls on a Thursday.
- **WHERE:** in the **Lower level of the Toms River Municipal Building at 33 Washinton Street in Toms River, New Jersey, 08753.** The building is in the center of Downtown Toms River and is less than a mile from the Garden State Parkway Exit 81. You can enter the building from either main entrance. Parking is free anywhere in Downtown Toms River after 5 P.M.
- **EQUIPMENT:** Chess sets, boards, clocks, and refreshments are provided.
- **ACTIVITIES:** Predominantly a casual chess club with weekly games and chess puzzles. We have monthly USCF Tournaments and the occasional chess lecture or simul from a master player. We also have annual events such as a members-only Holiday Party and a county-wide tournament. Members will help new players learn the game if anyone is brand new to the game but advanced lessons currently are not provided by the club.
- **ONLINE:** You can visit our website [TomsRiverChessClub.org](http://TomsRiverChessClub.org)
- **CONTACT INFO:** President: **Nick Carlson, NO PUBLIC CELL - Please contact us via Email with questions, we always respond fast: [TomsRiverChess@Gmail.com](mailto:TomsRiverChess@Gmail.com)**

### **The Manahawkin Chess Club**

Meets every Tuesday from 5:30 - 8:30 P.M. at the Bay Avenue community center in Stafford Township. (775 E Bay Ave, Stafford Township, NJ 08050). It is a branch of the Toms River Chess Club and uses the same website, USCF Affiliate ID, and email.

### **SOUTH JERSEY CHESS CLUB**

- South Jersey Innovation Center 498 Kings HWY North, Suite 102, Cherry Hill, NJ, 08034
- Contact: Dov Gorman
- Meets: Adults – Wednesdays 6:30pm–10:00pm Friday 7-10 PM Kids – Monday - Thursday 5:00pm – 7:00pm
- [dgorman@arsemail.com](mailto:dgorman@arsemail.com)

- (703) 989 - 6867

## **WOODBURY CHESS CLUB**

- Founded in 1940 Presbyterian Church: South Broad Street, Woodbury 08096
- Contact: Henry Feltman
- Meets Tuesdays 7:00pm
- (856) 845-5094
- and Cliff Batezel run the Woodbury Chess Club in South Jersey, one of the oldest clubs in the state.
- Henry Feltman
- home land line; 856-845-5094
- [wb2msh1@verizon.net](mailto:wb2msh1@verizon.net)
- Cliff Batezel
- [cbatezel@comcast.net](mailto:cbatezel@comcast.net)
- cell: 856-634-6959

## **HAMILTON CHESS CLUB**

- McManimon Building, 320 Scully Ave., Hamilton Township, NJ
- Contact: Ed Sytnik (609)758-2326
- [Hamilton Chess Club](#)
- Meets Mondays 7:30pm – 11:00

## **Chess Clubs We Have Not Heard From With Details:**

Stockton Chess Club: Gurty Singh (Club President); [OspreyChessClub@gmail.com](mailto:OspreyChessClub@gmail.com)

Rowan Chess Club: Ira Fine (Club Advisor and Chief TD); [fine@rowan.edu](mailto:fine@rowan.edu)

Candidates to post:

Cape May



**Wednesdays from 6pm-8pm at the Court House Library, and  
Thursdays from 1pm-3pm at the Wildwood Crest Library.**

**Tyler Baron**

The Four Kings Chess Club [CAMDEN COUNTY CHESS CLUB - Home \(camdenchess.org\)](http://CAMDEN COUNTY CHESS CLUB - Home (camdenchess.org))

Founded in Camden, New Jersey 2018

All: Founding Members: Ali Thompson / Jason Rex/ Jamal Bond/ Sean

A non-Ranking Chess CLUB located At "More than Just Cuts" Barbershop, Camden, NJ

At The Chess Club, Play Chess, Compete,

Learn New Moves, and Strategies in order.....

to ....advance in your game. in order to advance to the Tournaments

We sell Chess Setups. We Facilitate Freindly Games, and Competitions.

[ask@camdenchess.org](mailto:ask@camdenchess.org)

**Camden County Chess Club**

1170 Haddon Ave. (Inside of the Krispy Kreme!)

Collingswood, NJ 08108

We currently meet on Wednesdays from 6:00PM-9:00PM at :

[Newark Chess Club | Transforming the lives of Newark Youth through Chess and Mentorship](#)

## **HOLMDEL CHESS CLUB**

- Thursdays from 5:00pm-8:00pm
- Holmdel Library (Bell Works), 101 Crawfords Corner Rd, Holmdel, NJ, 07733
- CONTACT: Trish Shrodo, 732-946-4118,  
[mcl@monmouthcountylib.org](mailto:mcl@monmouthcountylib.org)