



Keep up the good work, FNQ!

Inter-school chess in Far North Queensland has been more competitive than ever in 2009.

The standard of chess across all the schools that have put teams in for the tournaments in Terms 1, 2 and 3 has been very high.

IQ Chess coaches have also seen continued improvement in the chess being played by students generally.

A big congratulations to the chess teams from St Thomas's School of Mareeba and Trinity Anglican School's White Rock campus. Having come out on top at the Finals Round in Term 3, they'll be representing FNQ at the state finals of the inter-school competition in October. Play well guys!

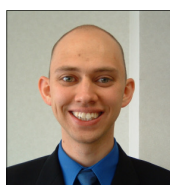
But the year of chess in FNQ isn't done yet!

For starters, Stockland Shopping Centre at Earlville, Cairns, will be hosting 4 days of tournaments during the September school holidays. There'll be plenty of prizes, and it's FREE! We hope to see lots of chess players there!

Also, for the first time in FNQ, there will be an Individual Age Championship in Term 4. Instead of playing in a school team, students will be playing for themselves, and they will be ranked against other players of their age. It's all happening Saturday November 14 - check the details on the next page!

See you all on the chess board!

David Cowland-Cooper
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Best of the Far North

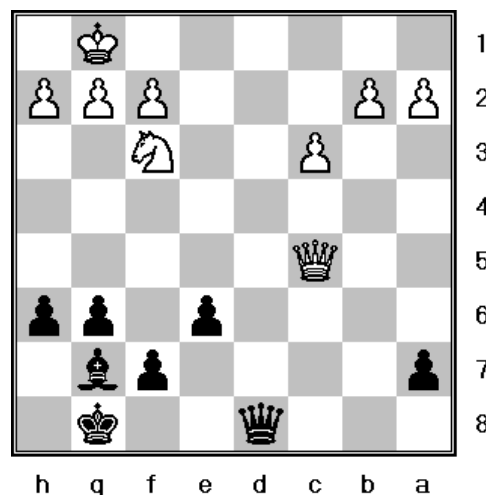
The top rated active juniors in FNQ as at the September 2009 QJRL rating list are:

Robin WEI	1774
Andrew TO	1040
Joshua HARTIGAN	858
Daniel HUDSON	854
Henry Harding	845
Brad BROER	815
Robert GARGAN	812
Shawn CHYNOWETH	796
Maya KUSUMOTO	791
Sean THOMSON	765

Special mention to James LEONG, who was the 3rd most improved junior in Queensland and the 5th ranked under-8 in the state for the last rating period. Great stuff!

Check it out, mate!

A quick one this time. Black to play and give checkmate to White in 2 moves. For first timers, that means Black makes a first move, White makes a reply, and then Black's second move is checkmate. You have to work out all these moves! Enjoy!



School Holiday Chess at Stockland Shopping Centre

Dates

Wednesday September 23
Thursday September 24
Friday September 25
Saturday September 26

Each day's tournament is separate – come on any day or every day!

Location

In the Centre Court
at Stockland Shopping Centre
Earlville, Cairns

Cost

ENTRY IS FREE!!

Discount vouchers for drinks and meals will be provided to students.

Times

Registration from 10:30am
Play starts from 11:00am
Finish around 2:30-3:00pm

Prizes

1st \$50, 2nd \$30, 3rd \$20
Shopping vouchers to use at
Stockland Shopping Centre

In three categories

- OPEN
- Upper PRIMARY (10-12 yo)
- Lower PRIMARY (up to 9 years old)

For questions or early registration, call David Cowland-Cooper on 0405 435 035 or email fnq@iqchess.com.au - Feel free to turn up on the day!

2009 FNQ Individual Age Championships

Date

Saturday November 14
One day only

Location

The Bishop Centre
Trinity Anglican School
White Rock Campus

Cost

Entry will cost \$10 per student (no GST)
To be paid in cash on the day
Or participant's family will be invoiced

Students will need to bring their own lunch, snacks and drinks.

Times

Registration from 9:00am
Play starts from 10:00am
Finish around 3:00pm

Prizes

Medals in age categories as follows:
(Dependent on entries)

- OPEN
- Under 16, 14, 12, 10, 8
- Girls Open and Under 12

Entries will be accepted on the day, but early registration is encouraged. Teachers are welcome to organise groups from their school or area.

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*That's what Chess is all about.
One day you give your
opponent a lesson,
the next day he gives you one.*

- Bobby Fischer

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