

2008 National Capital / Outaouais Open [all players rated FIDE & CFC & FQE !!]

EOCA Grand Prix: <http://www.eoca.org/htm/tournaments%202008-09.html>
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When: Friday, November 21st to Sunday, November 23rd
5 rounds: Friday @ 7pm, Saturday @ 1pm & 6pm, Sunday @ 9am & 2pm
Time Control: 90 minutes + 30 seconds increment per move (add before)
if no digital clock, then analog equivalent is 2 hours (3:59-6:00)
N.B.: paper boards provided: **please bring sets & clocks!** (some clocks for rent)

Where: RA Centre, 2451 Riverside Drive, Ottawa, Ontario (free parking)
Billings Bridge transit station: http://www.octranspo.com/Main_MenuE.asp
Hotels: discounted room rates, but limited partnerships, so reserve early!
\$129 (refer "National Capital Open") at Crowne Plaza (onsite 24-hour Tim Hortons!)
@ (613) 237-3600 x6200 [switchboard number in U.S. is (800) 2-CROWNE]
convenient transit with the RA Centre via Rapid Transit Network Routes
\$89 (reference 64025) at Embassy West @ (800) 267-8696 [(613) 729-4331]
<http://www.embassywesthotel.com/Default.aspx>
\$138 (reference 565400) at Southway Inn @ (877) 688-4929 [(613) 737-0811]
<http://www.southway.com/>

Requested Byes: up to 2 half-point byes within the first 3 rounds
such byes must be requested when registering, or at least before the previous round
all other requested byes will count as zero-point, **the TD guarantees no "forced byes"!**

Sections & Prizes: all players ranked by highest current FIDE/CFC/FQE rating
minimum \$4K prize fund based on 70 players (combining 2 events, each >50 players)
Top (>=2200 or >=2000) section: 1st = \$1000, 2nd = \$600, 3rd = \$400 (U2200 = \$600)
2 to 5 other sections: U2000 = \$500, U1800 = \$400, U1600 = \$300, U1400 = \$200

Registration & Payment: **please register by email at earliest convenience!**
payment can follow (required before pairings)
mail: cheque to "NNOCC" @ Box-11021, Station-H, Ottawa, K2H-7T8
(please include email address for payment receipt confirmation)
RA club: Thursday evenings, cash only, see ChessTalk for times:
<http://www.chesstalk.info/forum/forumdisplay.php?f=2>
onsite: at least 1 hour before next round, cash only
refunds (less \$5 fee) can be requested via email up to Thursday, November 20th

Entry Fees: Amateurs ineligible for prizes (sometimes paired in higher section)
free for GM, less \$40 for IM & WGM, less \$20 for FM & WIM/WFM, less \$5 for RA chess
\$80 [\$40 for Amateur] (+\$5 for FQE-only members, to cover FIDE rating/overhead)
+\$5 for onsite payment, +\$20 for onsite registration & payment
+\$5 for onsite CFC/FQE membership renewal (please renew with CFC/FQE office)