

TOURNAMENT CALENDAR

- May 9-10 RATING DESTRUCTION #1, 4 SS, 50/2. Smyrna City Hall, Smyrna, Tenn. EF \$5, Prizes after expenses 1st 50%, 2nd 25%, 3rd 10%, B 5%, C 5%, D/E/Un 5%. Sponsored by Music City Chess Assoc. Reg. May 9, 6:45 PM til 7:30 PM. Rounds May 9 7:30 PM; May 10, 9-2-7.
- May 17-18 SECOND ETSU MAY CLASSIC, 5-SS, 50/2, ETSU Library, Johnson City. EF \$10, free to highest and lowest rated, free to all new players. TCA \$3 to resid. \$\$ 100 +Tr, 50, trophies to top B, C, D/E, Unr. More prizes as entr. permit. Reg: 9-10 5/17. Rds 10:30-2:30-6:30, 10-2. ENT: Gary Bawgus, 1605 Lynnwood Dr., Johnson City, TN 37601.
- Jun 7-8 TENNESSEE LUCKY OPEN #4, 5 SS, 50/2. Hilton Airport Inn, Briley Parkway & I-40 East, Nashville. In 2 sec. OPEN, open to all, EF \$20, \$\$400-100, A 75, B 75. AMATEUR, open to all under 1600 or unrated. EF \$15. \$\$175-75, D 50, E/Unr. 50. TCA memb. req for res. Reg. ends 9:30 AM 6/7. Rds 10-2:30-7; 9-2. ENT to Lucky Chess Assn., P.O. Box 67, Hermitage, TN 37076.
- Jun 14-15 SECOND VOLUNTEER CLASSIC, 5-SS, 40/100, Gullivers Travel Inn, I-75 & Merchant Rd., Knoxville 37918. In 2 sections: Top, open to 1600-2200. EF \$22. \$\$ 250-150, A 100-50. Lower, open to below 1600 & unr. EF \$15. \$\$ 100-75, D/E 50/25, Unr 50. BOTH, all EF \$5 less if received by 6/10. TCA mem. req. for residents. \$1000 in \$\$ guar. if 100 entries. Reg. 8-9:30, AM, Rds 10-2:30-7, 10-3. HR: Gullivers, sgl. 11.50, dbl. 16. ENT: Southern Chess Administration, Box 11614, Winston-Salem, NC 27106. Limited NS.
- Jun 28 28th ETSU OPEN, Johnson City. Same format as usual.

JOHN HURT REGAINS MEMPHIS TITLE

John Hurt (1894) had one of his most impressive victories ($6\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$) in regaining his often held Memphis Chess Club Championship title. He was runner-up last year. He scored six wins and drew with Middleton. Ed Middleton (1999) placed second with $5\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$. He lost a game to Mahlon Smith. Mahlon Smith (1774) took third place with 5-2. He was upset by tail ender Rick Herbers, in addition to losing to Hurt. The event was an 8 player round robin. The players qualified by virtue of their placings in the Memphis Candidates, except for Middleton who was seeded.

MEMPHIS CHAMPIONSHIP

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	SCORE
1. John Hurt	x	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	1	1	1	1	$6\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$
2. Eddie Middleton	$\frac{1}{2}$	x	0	1	1	1	1	1	$5\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$
3. Mahlon Smith	0	1	x	1	1	1	1	0	5-2
4. Ronald Minor	0	0	0	x	1	1	1	1	4-3
5. James Wright	0	0	0	0	x	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	$2\frac{1}{2}-4\frac{1}{2}$
6. Robert Holyfield	0	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	x	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	2-5
7. Kent Meadows	0	0	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	x	1	$1\frac{1}{2}-5\frac{1}{2}$
8. Rick Herbers	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	x	1-6

NASHVILLE CHAMPIONSHIP

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	SCORE
1. Vernon Vix	x	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	1	1	1	1	1	$5\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$
2. Johnny Moore	$\frac{1}{2}$	x	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$4\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$
3. Bruce Stearns	1	0	x	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	4-3
4. Wally Jordan	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	x	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$3\frac{1}{2}-3\frac{1}{2}$
5. Steve Ellis	0	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	x	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$3\frac{1}{2}-3\frac{1}{2}$
6. Peter Lahde	0	0	1	0	0	x	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	$2\frac{1}{2}-4\frac{1}{2}$
7. John Logue	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	x	1	$2\frac{1}{2}-4\frac{1}{2}$
8. Joe Roberdeau	0	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	x	2-5

VIX WINS NASHVILLE CHAMPIONSHIP

Pre-tournament favorite, Vernon Vix won the 1975 Nashville Championship played during Feb. and March. This is the second straight year for Vernon. In 1974 he and Peter Lahde finished in a tie and shared the title. Finishing with a score of $5\frac{1}{2}-1\frac{1}{2}$, Vernon actually trailed Johnny Moore during the mid portion of the tournament. Johnny finished in second place with $4\frac{1}{2}-2\frac{1}{2}$ and drew his game with Vix. Vernon's only loss was to Bruce Stearns in what appeared to be a win for him. Bruce pulled off a nice swindle and won. Bruce placed thirs with 4-3. Wally Jordan and Steve Ellis tied for fourth to finish in the middle despite having the lowest ratings.

SOUTHERN OPEN to be in Birmingham, Ala., July 3-6. Make your plans to attend. Watch for details in Chess Life & Review.