



# Inland Chess Academy ~ 2016

## Chess Camp July Schedule

Mon July 25, Tue July 26, Wed July 27

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### SESSIONS for Intermediate and Advanced Students:

#### Monday 9:15 to 11:00 am, with one 10 minute break:

**OPENINGS** ~ All morning session Opening General Principles ~ Coach James Maki  
Let Master Jim Maki guide you to an opening most suited to your style of play.

**DEVELOPMENT** ~ Coach James Stripes

We will look at two classic games that illustrate fundamental opening principles.  
Exercises from recent master play will test student's understanding of these principles.

#### Tuesday 9:15 to 10:00 am

**CHALLENGING PAWN ENDINGS** ~ Coach James Stripes

Our focus will be upon understanding corresponding squares in pawn endings. Students will deepen their understanding of opposition, triangulation, and zugzwang.

**BLUNDER PROOF YOUR PLAY** ~ Coach John Dill

Stop blundering. Add 150 points to your current rating.

#### Tuesday 10:15 to 11:00 am

**IMBALANCES - KNIGHT VS BISHOP** ~ Coach James Stripes

At the heart of chess strategy is the imbalance between the minor pieces. We will look at typical positions where a knight dominates a bishop, and other positions where the bishop's supremacy over the knight is evident.

**MIDDLE GAME COMBINATIONS** ~ Coach John Dill

Learn to win material and find checkmates with middle game combinations.

#### Wednesday 9:15 to 10:00 am

**ART OF SACRIFICE** ~ Coach James Stripes

When should you sacrifice a piece to expose the enemy king? Focus will be on a set of games under 25 moves where one of the pawns in front of the king has moved.

**BEST MOVE IN THE MIDDLE GAME** ~ Coach John Dill

Play blunder free chess using the "holy grail" system of thoughts.

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**BEST PLAN IN THE END GAME** ~ Coach John Dill

When the plan for the end game is discovered, the moves are more easily determined.

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**BEGINNERS** ~ Coaches work in small groups presenting topics suitable to student's skill level. The session for the very young (K & PK) including physical activities.

#### Every day: 11:00 am to noon ~ Play and test what you have learned.

Three day, G/30, Swiss Tournament – Sections based on rating level. Awards. NW Rated.

#### Thursday, July 28 ~ 5 round tournament: check in 9:15 am, first round starts 9:30

One day, G/30, Swiss Tournament – Sections based on rating level. Awards. NW Rated.

**Location:** St. John Vianney Elementary School, 501 N Walnut Rd, Spokane Valley  
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