

91st Montana Open

Montana Chess Association Grand Prix Event

Dates: April 18-19, 2026

MCA Business Meeting April 17, 2026 - 8PM

Location: Holiday Inn Express Bozeman 406-582-4995
2305 Catron St, Bozeman MT 59718

Hotel Rooms: \$159 (+ tax) Tournament Block – cancellable until 24 hours prior (Room Hold Released April 3rd). The hotel also has pre-paid, non cancellable rooms with lower rates if you are willing to commit. Check online for current rates.

Use block (or group) code BVB to reserve online

https://www.ihg.com/holidayinnexpress/hotels/us/en/bozeman/bznex/hoteldetail?cm_mmc=GoogleMaps--EX--US--BZNEX

To get the group rate online pick the dates of stay then pick Rate Preference & enter Group Rate code of BVB. Then pick View Prices – you should see the group rate.

Player Limit: Limited to 48 entries due to space at the venue

Registration: 8:00-8:30 Saturday April 18th

Format: 5 Round Swiss Time Control: G/105;D5

Rounds: 9:00am, 1:30pm, 6:30pm, and Sun at 8:30am and 1:00pm (or ASAP)

Pairings: TD Reserves the right to use accelerated pairings

Prizes: \$400 based on 30 paid adult entries. 1st--\$200, 2nd--\$125, 3rd--\$75

If entries permit, additional prizes / increases TBD

(Average Prize Pool over last 3 Opens \$800)

Entry Fee: \$40 if registered by April 17th

\$50, on Saturday morning

Cash Only - Entries must be paid by 8:30am Saturday to be paired.

Tournament Director: Kevin Kuehnel – kevin.kuehnel1@gmail.com

To Register: <https://caissachess.net/online-registration/index/8588>

Please put your phone number in the Comment Box.

Note: You will receive a confirming email from Caissa

Misc: MCA membership required or OSA (Other state association)

- **One ½ point bye available, byes for rounds 4-5 must be arranged Saturday night.**
- **Please register in advance & renew your USCF membership prior to registration.**