



xchess.ai Elite Clubs Series

Date: Sunday, March 22, 2026

Start Time: 09:30

Participating Clubs: Oxygen, CSU Chess Club, Clubul Central, and Arnia ChessIT

Location: Arnia Software (Bd. Lascăr Catargiu 47–53, 6th floor)

Competition Format

Each club will have 2 teams, each team consisting of 3 players plus one reserve.

Each team will have a (non-playing) captain.

The order of players within each team will follow the 101-point rule (rapid rating) and will remain unchanged until the end of the tournament.

Players must be born in 2006 or later and must currently have or have had within the last 6 months a minimum rating of 1800 in classical chess.

Time control: 15 minutes (KO) + 10 seconds per move. FIDE-rated.

Six rounds will be played. Teams will play against all other teams except those from the same club, which will not face each other.

Scoring System

Win: 2 points

Draw: 1 point

Loss: 0 points

Tie-break Criteria

1. Game points
2. Team Sonneborn-Berger
3. Youngest team (average age of players who play at least one game)



Main Prize

The final club ranking will be determined by summing the points obtained by the two teams of each club.

Prize Fund

1st Place: 3600 RON

2nd Place: 1800 RON

3rd Place: 1200 RON

4th Place: 600 RON

Secondary Prizes

Best Team: 300 RON (100 RON per player)

Player with the highest number of points: 200 RON (in case of a tie, the prize goes to the player with the higher rating performance)

Schedule

09:30 – Technical meeting

09:40 – Round 1

10:40 – Round 2

11:40 – Round 3

13:00 – Lunch offered by Arnia

14:00 – Round 4

15:00 – Round 5

16:00 – Round 6

17:00 – Award ceremony