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*ITEMS OF INTEREST TO BOTH MEMBERS & NON-MEMBERS*

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**DO YOU KNOW ? / SAVEZ-VOUS ?**

**SCC Swiss Tournaments ( Follow – up on Issue # 14 )**

In the prior Issue # 14, we started to answer new members two most often asked questions : How strong is the tournament ? How many play ? We there used the 1998/9 club year statistics. There is also an SCC handout pamphlet on statistics on both our Swiss and Round-Robin tournaments this year.

This years’ swiss tournaments to date will now be compared to last years’ [ note the significantly higher membership last club year ( 130 vs 103, a drop of about 20 % ) ].

**Average Turnout**

This year we have had a turnout of 30 players per tournament. This is better than last year, when adjusted to take into account the drop in membership. ( The 45 players for the club championship swiss has not been counted because there was no comparable 1998/9 swiss – that championship had been a set of Round-Robins; also, the last summer tournament has been eliminated as an aberration - unusually low ). Thus, though our current membership is lower ( as are all clubs across Canada ), we are more active – a greater percentage of our members currently play in our swiss tournaments !

**Class Turnout**

The two largest classes represented had the following number of players : “ B “ – 10; “ A “ – 7. Together they constituted 57 % of the players ( 1998/9 – 57 % ). 10% were Masters/Experts, similar to last year. 33 % were “ C & Under/ Unrated “. (Actual statistics are posted on the SCC bulletin board ).

It is interesting to note that while the A & B class players are 57 % of swiss tournament players, they form only 45 % of the total membership – our A & B players are avid tournament players. On the other hand, these 1-section swisses are not attractive to our Experts/Masters – they form only 10 % of players, but 22 % of the membership !??

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