Hello Friends,

Welcome to OSPR's Virtual Chess Club! We are excited to get this new program off the ground for 2021. As you know, this program requires participants to have an account with GameKnot.com, there will be a monthly fee of \$4.99 to use Gameknot which is required to join our Club.

Once you have joined Gameknot, please send your username to <u>Jonathan.Paradis@oldsaybrookct.gov</u>. After you can search for the Club "OSPR Chess Club." This is our semi-private club, only those registered for the program will be playing. Through the Club page each week, you will be able to start a new club game. The schedule for each week will be posted at <u>www.oldsaybrookrec.com</u>. You will find out who you are playing, then head to GameKnot to start your game.

Match Play Options

Each match must start with one player (player 1) starting a new game. The other player (player 2) must find their match under Open Challenges using their opponents GameKnot Username. All usernames will be found on our OSPR Chess program page. Once a game has been created, they will wait for the other player to join their open challenge. Then they can play their match.

Play Real Time "Live" Chess – Both opponents log in at the same time, one player invites the other player (using their GameKnot Username) and they play until the game is complete.

Traditional Online Chess Match – Player 1 creates the new game, player 2 joins the Open Challenge, and they play one move at a time and receive a notification (email) when it is their time to move. This match can then be played on the go over several days, however must be completed by Monday of the following week.

As always, if you have any questions, please email Jonathan or call us at 860-395-3152. - OSPR