

Minnesota State Chess Champions

Year	Champion
1894	F.A. Hill
1895	George B. Spencer
1896	C.V. Lynde
1897	F.A. Hill
1898	D.C. Rogers
1899	F.A. Huxmann
1900	W.O. Hillman
1901	F.N. Stacy
1902	E.P. Elliott
1903	J.I. Jellett
1904	E.P. Elliott
1905	N. Cohen
1906	E.P. Elliott
1907	W.D.R. McLeod
1908	E.P. Elliott
1909	F.A. Huxmann
1910	W.E. Hill
1911	Jacob A. Harris
1912	W.L. Chapin
1913	Einar Michelsen
1914	Dare Barkuloo
1915	E.P. Elliott
1916	Jacob A. Harris
1917	Dare Barkuloo
1918	Dare Barkuloo
1919	Harry Kline
1920	Otto Peter Plantin
1921	Dare Barkuloo
1922	E.P. Elliott
1923	Jacob A. Harris
1924	Dare Barkuloo
1925	J.G. Kaudy
1926	Jacob A. Harris
1927	Jacob A. Harris
1928	Jacob A. Harris
1929	Lasser Miller
1930	George Roman
1931	George Barnes
1932	George Barnes
1933	George Barnes
1934	Jacob A. Harris

Year	Champion
1935	Jacob A. Harris
1936	John Kipp
1937	George Barnes
1938	George Barnes
1939	George Barnes
1940	G.A. Koelsche
1941	Sidney H. Brower
1942	Robert Konkel
1943	George Barnes
1944	G.A. Koelsche
1945	Robert Konkel
1946	George Barnes
1947	George Barnes
1948	William R. Jones
1949	Milton Otteson
1950	George Barnes
1951	George Barnes
1952	G.A. Koelsche
1953	William E. Kaiser
1954	K.N. Pedersen
1955	K.N. Pedersen
1956	W. Dane Smith
1957	Curt Brasket
1958	Curt Brasket
1959	Curt Brasket
1960	Curt Brasket
1961	D. Burnham Terrell
1962	Curt Brasket
1963	Norris Weaver
1964	Curt Brasket
1965	Milton Otteson
1966	Milton Otteson
1967	Curt Brasket
1968	Curt Brasket
1969	Curt Brasket
1970	Curt Brasket
1971	Curt Brasket
1972	Curt Brasket
1973	Curt Brasket
1974	Curt Brasket
1975	Curt Brasket

Year	Champion
1976	Laszlo Ficsor
1977	Peter Thompson
1978	Roger Rudolph
1979	John Greene
1980	Roger Rudolph
1981	Curt Brasket
1982	Ed Zelkind
1983	Ed Zelkind & Yakov Dubrovsky
1984	Ed Zelkind
1985	Dave Levine
1986	Ed Zelkind
1987	Tim Rademacher
1988	Nels Truelson
1989	Eugene Kerkay
1990	Ed Zelkind & Jack Yoons
1991	Ed Zelkind & Benedict Johansson
1992	Mike Valvo
1993	Mike Valvo
1994	Mike Valvo & Leonard Johnson
1995	Alex Balandin
1996	Alex Balandin
1997	Nate Graham
1998	Victor Adler
1999	Victor Adler
2000	Victor Adler
2001	Victor Adler & Leonard Johnson
2002	Victor Adler
2003	Victor Adler
2004	Victor Feldberg
2005	Victor Adler & Alex Balandin & John Bartholomew
2006	Victor Adler
2007	Victor Adler
2008	Victor Adler & Alex Balandin
2009	Sean Nagle
2010	Sean Nagle & Victor Adler & John Bartholomew
2011	Sean Nagle & Frank Johnson
2012	Sean Nagle
2013	Sean Nagle
2014	Sean Nagle
2015	Sean Nagle
2016	Sean Nagle
2017	Andrew Tang
2018	Andrew Tang
2019	Andrew Tang
2020	Sean Nagle
2021	Sean Nagle
2022	Sean Nagle
2023	Samrug Narayanan
2024	Samrug Narayanan

Total MN State Championships	
Curt Brasket	16
Sean Nagle	12
Victor Adler	11
George Barnes	11
Jacob A. Harris	8
E.P. Elliot	6
Ed Zelkind	6
Dare Barkuloo	5
Alex Balandin	4
John Bartholomew	4
Andrew Tang	3
Samrug Narayanan	3
Milton Otteson	3
Mike Valvo	3
G.A. Koelsche	3
<i>All others have less than 3 titles</i>	

Compiled by Tim Rademacher and Joe Longen from various MN Historical Chess Sources.

Note the current play-off format began in 1962. Prior to 1962 the winner of the MN Open was declared State Champion.

Notes:

- 2013 - Sean Nagle defeated Kevin Wasiluk in play-off.
- 2014 - Sean Nagle defeated John Bartholomew in play-off.
- 2017 - Andrew Tang defeated John Bartholomew in play-off.
- 2020 - Championship held online January 2021 due to COVID-19.
- 2022 - Sean Nagle defeated Samrug Narayanan in play-off.
- 2024 - Samrug Narayanan defeated Sean Nagle in play-off.