



British Chess Championships 2015



Organised by the
English Chess Federation

THE UNIVERSITY of WARWICK
(The Rootes Building)
Coventry, CV4 7AL

Sat 25th July – Sat 8th August 2015
An English Chess Federation Grand Prix Event

CHAMPIONSHIPS ORGANISERS

Congress Manager: Kevin Staveley
Director of Home Chess: Alex Holowczak
Congress Treasurer: John Philpott

Championship events are open only to British Isles Citizens, British Overseas Territories Citizens or players resident therein for the past year, or those with British Overseas Dependent Territories Citizenship. In Junior Championships, ages relate to 1st January 2015 e.g. an Under 10 will be born in 2005 or later. All Junior Championships will include titles for at least one Boy and at least one Girl. For a complete set of rules on qualification see www.BritishChessChampionships.co.uk

Book accommodation at the University of Warwick and receive discount on entry fee. See inside for details.

FIDE Laws of Chess apply throughout the Championships, except where specifically amended in this entry form.

BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP

This event is open **only** to exempted or qualified players.

Mon 27th July to Fri 7th Aug (Rest Day Sun 2nd Aug). **11 rounds beginning at 3 pm each day**

BRITISH SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIPS

65+ (Born 1950 or earlier) Monday 27th July - Saturday 1st August: **6 Rounds, starting 3 pm daily**

50+ (Born 1965 or earlier) Sunday 2nd August - Friday 7th August: **6 Rounds, starting 3 pm daily**

BRITISH GRADED CHAMPIONSHIPS

(For all the following sections, domestic ratings (January 2015) should be used for entry qualification, and will be used for pairings)

5 round events starting 9:30 am daily

Under 180/2050 Championship

Mon 27th July - Fri 31st July

Under 160/1900 Championship

Mon 3rd August – Fri 7th August

Under 140/1750 Championship

Mon 27th July - Fri 31st July

Under 120/1600 Championship

Mon 3rd August – Fri 7th August

5 round events starting at 3pm

50+ Under 150/1825* Championship

4 hour sessions

(Born 1965 or earlier)

Mon 27th July - Fri 31st July

65+ Under 150/1825 Championship**

Mon 3rd August – Fri 7th August

(Born 1950 or earlier)

BRITISH JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS:

UNDER 16 (born 1999 or later)

7 rounds: 4 hour sessions

UNDER 15 (2000 or later)

Sun 2nd Aug – Fri 7th Aug 9.30 am + Sun 2nd Aug 3 pm

UNDER 14 (2001 or later)

Mon 27th July - Sat 1st Aug 9.30 am + Mon 27th July 3 pm

UNDER 13 (2002 or later)

Sun 2nd Aug – Fri 7th Aug 9.30 am + Sun 2nd Aug 3 pm

UNDER 12 (2003 or later)

Mon 27th July - Sat 1st Aug 9.30 am + Wed 29th July 3 pm

UNDER 11 (2004 or later)

Sun 2nd Aug – Fri 7th Aug 9.30 am + Sun 2nd Aug 3 pm

Mon 27th July 3pm, Tues 28th July–Sat 1st Aug 9.30 am

+ Wed 29th July 3 pm

UNDER 10 (2005 or later)

Sun 2nd Aug – Fri 7th Aug + Sun 2nd Aug 3 pm

UNDER 9 (2006 or later) **(6 rounds)**

Sunday 26th July 9.30 am, 12 noon, 2:30 pm, 5 pm. **Monday 27th July** 9:30 am, 12 noon

UNDER 8 (2007 or later) **(6 rounds)**

Saturday, 25th July 10 am, 11:30 am, 1 pm, 2:30 pm, 4 pm, 5:30 pm

Entrants to both the U8 and U9 Championships before 18th July may deduct £10 from their total entry fee

In both Under 9 and Under 8 Championships the SECOND illegal move made during the game will lose the game.

MAJOR OPEN (5 HOURS PLAYING SESSION)

OPEN TO ALL PLAYERS

Mon 27th July to Fri 7th August (except Sun 2nd August): **11 rounds, starting 3 pm daily,**

Low scoring players may decide to transfer to the 5-Day Afternoon Open after 6 rounds.

5 DAY OPEN MORNING TOURNAMENTS (4 hour sessions) - Open to all players

Week 1 Mon 27th July - Fri 31st July 9.30 am

Week 2 Mon 3rd Aug – Fri 7th Aug 9.30 am

5 DAY OPEN AFTERNOON TOURNAMENTS (4 hour sessions) - Open to all players

Week 1 Mon 27th July - Fri 31st July 3 pm

Week 2 Mon 3rd Aug – Fri 7th Aug 3 pm

This event is half price for any player who enters any morning event in the same week, or withdraws from the Major Open after 6 rounds.

ENGLISH OPEN RAPIDPLAY CHAMPIONSHIP

11 ROUND FIDE RATED

OPEN, Under 150 and Under 125

(Rounds 1 – 5) Sat 25th July: Round 1 starts at 1 pm

(Rounds 6 - 11) Sun 26th July: Round 6 starts at 9.30 am

BRITISH BLITZ CHAMPIONSHIP (FIDE RATED)

Sunday, 2nd August: 11 rounds starting at 1 pm

WEEKENDERS (5 rounds)

Friday 31st July 7 pm, Saturday 1st Aug 9:30 am & 3 pm, Sunday 2nd Aug 9:30 am & 3 pm.

Atkins Tournament Open to all players

Soanes Tournament Open to players under ECF 150 (January 2015 list)/ 1825

Yates Tournament Open to players under ECF 125 (January 2015 list)/ 1637

Players may ask to play in a higher section if they so wish. Players may request a ½ point bye in any of first four rounds. Round One Byes must be claimed on the entry form. Inform your section's Arbiter of any bye to be taken in later rounds.

RATES OF PLAY

Rate of play: 40 moves in 90 minutes, followed by 30 minutes to finish the game, with an increment of 30 seconds per move from move one.	British Championship Seniors Championships Major Open
All moves in 90 minutes with 30 seconds per move added from move one.	Graded Championships (U180, U160, U140, U120) Seniors U150; Veterans U150 Junior Champs: U16, U15, U14, U13, U12, U11, U10 5 Day Open AM / PM: Weekenders: Atkins, Soanes, Yates
All moves in 50 minutes with 10 seconds per move added from move one.	Junior Champs: U9
All moves in 20 minutes with 10 seconds per move added from move one.	Junior Champs: U8 Rapidplays: Open, Under 150, Under 125
All moves in 3 minutes with 2 seconds per move added from move one.	Blitz

British Championship Play-off:

Should the Championship be tied, a play-off will determine the title. The play-off will commence on Saturday 8th August immediately after the prizegiving. 10% of the prize fund will be withheld for players involved in the play-off as follows:- 2 player play-off £750; 3 player play-off £850; 4 player play-off £925

Other Championships - In the event of any other championship being tied, the title and any prize money will be shared.

2016 British Championship

The following are qualifying events for the 2016 Championship, provided there are at least 20 competitors:
AM/PM Opens (both weeks); Weekender Open; Major Open; English Open Rapidplay

ENTRY FEES

Event		Entry fee before 1 st July 2015 if accommodation booked at University before entering	Entry fee before 1 st July 2015 if accommodation not booked at University before entering	Entry fee on 1 st July 2015 or later
British Championship	GM, IM, WGM, WIM	Free	Free	£50
	FM, WFM	£75	£100	£125
	2150 and above Untitled	£150	£175	£200
	2000 – 2149 inclusive	£200	£225	£250
	Under 2000	£300	£325	£350
Seniors Championships 65+; 50+		£60	£70	£80
Graded Championships U180, U160, U140, U120 Senior U150; Veterans U150		£40	£45	£55
Under 16 - Under 10 Championships		£40	£45	£55
Under 9 Champ		£30	£35	£40
Under 8 Champ		£20	£25	£35
Major Open	GM, IM, WGM, WIM	Free	Free	Free
	FM, WFM	£50	£75	£100
	Others	£100	£125	£150
5 day Open am Week 1		£40	£45	£55
5 day Open pm Week 1		£40	£45	£55
5 day Open am Week 2		£40	£45	£55
5 day Open pm Week 2		£40	£45	£55
Rapidplay Open, U150, U125		£30	£40	£45

		Entry fee before 31 st July 2015 if accommodation booked at University before entering	Entry fee before 31 st July 2015 if accommodation not booked at University before entering	Entry fee on 31 st July 2015 or later
Weekender Atkins, Soanes, Yates		£30	£35	£40
Blitz		£20	£20	£30

PRIZES

Event	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	Other
British Championship	£5000	£2500	£1000	4 th £750; 5 th £500; 6 th £250 British Womens Champion £500 Under 21 Champion (18-21) £250 Under 18 Champion £250 English Champion £1500 Alexander Best Game Prize £100 <u>Most Improved Performance Rating</u> 2300 – 2150 (inclusive) £200 2149 – 2000 (inclusive) £200 Under 2000 – £200
Seniors Championships	£400	£200	£100	
Graded Championships U180, U160, U140, U120 Senior U150; Veterans U150	£250	£100	£50	
Under 16 – Under 10 Championships	£250	£100	£50	
Under 9 Champ	£180	£80	£40	
Under 8 Champ	£100	£70	£30	
Major Open	£600	£400	£300	4 th £200
5 day Open am Week 1	£200	£120	£80	
5 day Open pm Week 1	£200	£120	£80	
5 day Open am Week 2	£200	£120	£80	
5 day Open pm Week 2	£200	£120	£80	
Rapidplay Open, U150, U125	£150	£90	£60	
Blitz	£120	£70	£60	
Weekender Atkins, Soanes, Yates	£150	£90	£60	Grading Prize £40
Best Game Prize in Junior Secions (U16 – U10)				£50 (One prize for each week)

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- 1) No entries can be accepted except on an official entry form or online at the Championship website. Additional forms can be obtained from the ECF Website or by contacting the ECF Office with a stamped addressed envelope.
- 2) Participants are expected to maintain acceptable standards of dress & behaviour (see Championship Website for details - www.britishchesschampionships.co.uk)
- 3) Prize Winners must attend the appropriate prizegiving for their event as announced in the programme. The main prizegiving will be held on Saturday 8th August at 9.30 am. Failure to attend without the prior permission of the Congress Manager or a Principal Arbiter may result in the forfeiting of the prize concerned.
- 4) Every effort is made to place entrants in the tournament of their choice but the right is reserved to transfer an entry to another appropriate section. The Federation may deduct an administration fee from any refund to players who withdraw.
- 5) A player withdrawing during any event without good cause will be liable to pay a full entry fee at any future event organised by the Federation and/or a bond returnable on satisfactory conduct during such events.

- 6) Only food/drink bought at the playing venue may be consumed within that area.
- 7) English players **MUST** be members of the English Chess Federation. Gold membership is required for FIDE rated events (other than Rapidplay and Blitz) and Silver for others. Silver membership is required for Rapidplay and Bronze membership is required for Blitz. Members should quote their membership number on the Entry Form. Non members must enclose a Membership Form and pay the appropriate Membership Fee. Membership forms can be obtained from the ECF website or ECF office. Other players **MUST** be a member of their national body.
- 8) Players competing in FIDE rated events **MUST** be registered with FIDE and obtain a FIDE ID number before entering. To register with FIDE, please contact your preferred National Federation.
- 9) To avoid late fees, both the entry form and entry fee **MUST BE RECEIVED** before the "late fee" date.
- 10) The Organisers reserve the right to refuse entry without giving a reason.

Please note that photographs will be taken at the event which may be used for publicity purposes both for the current Championships and those in future years. Any objection by an individual to the same being published should be notified to the event organisers. The ECF Data Controller is John Philpott.

Entry to the Championships is deemed to be acceptance of these conditions.

INFORMATION FOR COMPETITORS

Grades/Ratings: -

For FIDE rated events (excluding U180, U160, Rapidplay and Blitz Championships) FIDE ratings take precedence, if no FIDE then other National Grade/Rating.

Non FIDE rated events: National Grade/Rating will be used. Ungraded players must give details of any previous grades/ratings held.

Default time:- Players arriving 30 (10 for Rapidplay or U8) minutes or more after the start of a session shall lose, unless the arbiter decides otherwise. Repairing will normally be offered after that time.

Programme: - A full programme will be available to download from the website shortly before the Championships. www.britishchesschampionships.co.uk

Surcharges: A £10 surcharge will apply to entries made on the day of an event, if accepted.

Mobile phones: - Please see programme and notices within venue for rules regarding mobile phones.

Overlapping events: - Players may not take part in two tournaments on the same day if the sessions potentially overlap. The following exceptions apply:-

Players may take a ½ pt bye in a Weekender if they are playing in an afternoon event.

Players may take a ½ pt bye in the Major Open if they have a junior afternoon round. All players may take up to 2 half point byes in any of the first six rounds of the Major Open. They must inform the Major Open Controller at least 24 hours in advance.

Players in the British Championship may take a ½ pt bye in the junior pm round when playing in both.

Byes: - In non-championship events, a round one bye may be claimed on the entry form. For other rounds, the section controller must be consulted at the event.

Commentary: - Daily commentary will take place on British Championship games.

Coaching for Juniors: - Coaching will be available free to Juniors. Further details will be given in the programme. We are grateful to the John Robinson Youth Chess Trust for allowing us to provide this service.

Sussex Junior Best Game Prize: - Sussex Junior Chess Association have donated two £50 best games prizes. These prizes will be awarded for the best game in the Junior Championships (U10 – U16) in week 1 and week 2. Details of how to enter will be announced at the Championships. We are grateful to Sussex Junior Chess for their continued support of these prizes.

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation is available through the University conference booking facility.

Visit: www.britishchesschampionships.co.uk/2015 (and use accommodation tab)

The ECF Office is unable to book accommodation

All other queries should be sent to the English Chess Federation: Email: office@englishchess.org.uk, website: www.englishchess.org.uk

BRITISH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2015 ENTRY FORM

Please enter me for:- (please tick relevant box/es)

Player Details	Event	Enter	Rd 1 bye	
Surname	British Championship			
	65+ Champ			
	Forename (Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms)	50+ Champ		
		U180 Champ		
	Address	U160 Champ		
		U140 Champ		
	Town	U120 Champ		
		50+ U150 Champ		
	Postcode	65+ U150 Champ		
		Under 16 Champ		
	Telephone	Under 15 Champ		
		Under 14 Champ		
	Email	Under 13 Champ		
		Under 12 Champ		
	Club	Under 11 Champ		
		Under 10 Champ		
	Date of Birth/...../.....	Under 9 Champ		
		Under 8 Champ		
	FIDE Rating ECF Grade	Major Open *		
		5 day Open am Week 1		
Other Grade Source	5 day Open pm Week 1			
	5 day Open am Week 2			
Please circle the figure based on most games	5 day Open pm Week 2			
	Rapidplay Open			
ECF (or own national) Membership Number	Rapidplay U150			
	Rapidplay U125			
Expiry date/...../.....	Blitz			
	Weekender Atkins			
ECF Grading Code	Weekender Soanes			
	Weekender Yates			
Nationality	Events in red are FIDE rated and require ECF Gold Membership (Silver for Non FIDE Rated events and Rapidplays, and Bronze for Blitz)			
FIDE Federation				
If a Championship Qualifier state qualification method				
If eligible for a woman's or girl's prize please tick opposite.				
* If entering the Major Open please tick if willing to move to the British Championship				

Tournament Entry Fee(s)	£
Deduction	£
#ECF Membership (if applicable) – please enclose a completed Membership form	£
Entry on the day surcharge	£
*Donation (Thank You)	£
Total enclosed Entries MUST include the appropriate payment. Entry charges are calculated according to the day on which payment is made. Cheques/postal orders should be crossed and made payable to the English Chess Federation and sent with this entry form to the Congress Secretary.	£

Membership of the ECF at the appropriate level is required of all English players who play in any event. * Donations to assist the Congress are always welcomed.

The entry fees include VAT at 20%. ECF VAT Registration Number: 195643626.

Payment by Paypal:

If you have a PayPal account, you can transfer funds to pay for your entry to the Championships.

Tick here if you have done so

Please use the PayPal message box to indicate the event(s) you're paying for.

Payment by Visa/MasterCard

Debit my Visa/MasterCard £

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CV Number:

Name & Address of Cardholder

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Declaration: - I wish to enter and am eligible for the tournaments named and have read and understood the entrance conditions of these Championships.

Signed (Competitor or Parent/Guardian/Representative)

Please return this form to the Congress Secretary:

British Chess Championships, The Watch Oak, Chain Lane, Battle, East Sussex TN33 0YD

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