



BRITISH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2016



Organised by the English Chess Federation
A Tradewise Grand Prix Event



BOURNEMOUTH PAVILION
Westover Road, Bournemouth BH1 2BU

Saturday 23rd July - Saturday 6th August 2016

The ECF gratefully acknowledges the support given to this event by both
Bournemouth and District Chess League
and Dorset Chess Association

CHAMPIONSHIPS ORGANISERS

Congress Manager: Kevin Staveley
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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 2016 e.g. an Under 10 will be born in 2006 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 <http://www.britishchesschampionships.co.uk>

**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 25th July to Fri 5th Aug (Rest Day Sun 31st July): **11 rounds beginning at 2.30 pm each day**

BRITISH SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIPS

65+ (Born 1951 or earlier) Sunday 24th July - Saturday 30th July: **7 Rounds, starting 2.30 pm daily**
50+ (Born 1966 or earlier) Saturday 30th July - Friday 5th August: **7 Rounds, starting 2.30 pm daily**

(Competitors playing in both events must take either
a 0 point bye in Round 7 of 65+ Champ or ½ point bye in Round 1 of 50+ Champ)

BRITISH GRADED CHAMPIONSHIPS

(For the following "grade restricted" sections, domestic ratings (January 2016)
will primarily be used for entry qualification)

5 round events starting 9:15 am daily

Under 180/2050 Championship

Mon 25th July - Fri 29th July

Under 160/1900 Championship

Mon 1st August – Fri 5th August

Under 140/1750 Championship

Mon 25th July - Fri 29th July

Under 120/1600 Championship

Mon 1st August – Fri 5th August

5 round events starting at 2.30 pm

50+ Under 150/1825 Championship
(Born 1966 or earlier)

Mon 25th July - Fri 29th July

65+ Under 150/1825 Championship
(Born 1951 or earlier)

Mon 1st August – Fri 5th August

BRITISH JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS - 7 rounds

UNDER 16 (born 2000 or later)

Sun 24th July – Sat 30th July 9.15 am

UNDER 15 (2001 or later)

Sun 31st July - Fri 5th Aug 9.15 am + Sun 31st July 2.30 pm

UNDER 14 (2002 or later)

Sun 24th July – Sat 30th July 9.15 am

UNDER 13 (2003 or later)

Sun 31st July - Fri 5th Aug 9.15 am + Sun 31st July 2.30 pm

UNDER 12 (2004 or later)

Sun 24th July – Sat 30th July 9.15 am

UNDER 11 (2005 or later)

Sun 31st July - Fri 5th Aug 9.15 am + Sun 31st July 2.30 pm

UNDER 10 (2006 or later)

Tues 26th July – Sat 30th July 9.15 am + Tues 26th and Thurs 28th July 2.30 pm

UNDER 9 (2007 or later) (6 rounds)

Sunday 24th July 9.15 am (Briefing), Rounds: 9.30 am 12 noon,
2:30 pm, 5 pm.

Monday 25th July 9:15 am, 11.45 am

UNDER 8 (2008 or later) (6 rounds)

Saturday, 23rd July 10.15 am (Briefing), 10.30 am, 12 noon, 1.30 pm,
3 pm, 4.30 pm, 6 pm

Players entering **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 completed by the same player
during a game will lose the game.*

MAJOR OPEN - Open to all players

Mon 25th July to Fri 5th August (Rest Day Sun 31st July): **11 rounds, starting 2.30 pm daily**

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

5 DAY OPEN MORNING TOURNAMENTS - Open to all players

Week 1 Mon 25th July - Fri 29th July 9.15 am

Week 2 Mon 1st Aug – Fri 5th Aug 9.15 am

5 DAY OPEN AFTERNOON TOURNAMENTS - Open to all players

Week 1 Mon 25th July - Fri 29th July 2.30 pm

Week 2 Mon 1st Aug – Fri 5th Aug 2.30 pm

Please note - 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 150/1825, Under 120/1600

(For this event, ratings will be used in the following order: FIDE Rapidplay, FIDE Standard, ECF Rapidplay, ECF or other National Standard)

(Rounds 1 – 5) Sat 23rd July: 1 pm, 2.30 pm, 3.45 pm; 5 pm; 6.15 pm

(Rounds 6 - 11) Sun 24th July: 9.15 am, 10.30 am; 11.45 am, 1 pm; 2.30 pm; 3.45 pm

BRITISH BLITZ CHAMPIONSHIP (FIDE RATED)

Sunday, 31st July: 11 rounds starting at 1.30 pm

WEEKENDERS (5 rounds)

(For the following “grade restricted” sections, domestic ratings (January 2016) will be used for entry qualification)

Friday 29th July 7 pm, Saturday 30th July 9:15 am & 2.30 pm, Sunday 31st July 9:15 am & 2.30 pm.

Atkins Tournament

Open to all players

Soanes Tournament

Open to players under ECF 150/1825 (January 2016 list)

Yates Tournament

Open to players under ECF 120/1600 (January 2016 list)

Players may ask to play in a higher section if they so wish. Players may request a ½ point bye in any of the first four rounds. Round 1 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 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

Championship Play-off

Should the Championship be tied, a play-off will determine the title. The play-off will commence on Saturday 6th August immediately after the prizegiving. The regulations for the play-off will be found on the website prior to the Championships.

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

2017 British Championship: The following are qualifying events for the 2017 Championship, provided there are at least 20 competitors: AM/PM Opens (both weeks); Weekender Open; Major Open; Open Rapidplay

Entry Fees and Prizes

Event		Entry fee before 23rd June 2016	Entry fee 23rd June 2016 or later	PRIZES
British Championship	GM, IM, WGM, WIM	Free	£50	1st £5000; 2nd £2500; 3rd £1000 4th £750; 5th £500; 6th £250 British Womens Champion £1000 Under 21 Champion (18-21) £250 Under 18 Champion £250 English Champion £1500 Alexander Best Game Prize £100 Most improved Performance Rating 2300 – 2150 (inclusive) £200 2149 – 2000 (inclusive) £200 Under 2000 - £200
	FM, WFM	£75	£125	
	2150 and above, untitled	£150	£200	
	2000 – 2149 inclusive	£200	£250	
	Under 2000	£300	£350	
Seniors Championships 65+; 50+		£60	£80	1st £400; 2nd £200; 3rd £100
Graded Championships U180, U160, U140, U120 50+ U150; 65+ U150		£45	£55	1st £250; 2nd £125; 3rd £60
Under 16 - Under 10 Championships		£45	£55	1st £250; 2nd £125; 3rd £60
Under 9 Champ		£35	£45	1st £200; 2nd £100; 3rd £50
Under 8 Champ		£25	£35	1st £100; 2nd £70; 3rd £30
Major Open	GM, IM, WGM, WIM	Free	Free	1st £750; 2nd £400 3rd £200; 4th £100 Performance Rated Prizes: to be announced at the Championships
	FM, WFM	£50	£75	
	Others	£100	£125	
5 Day Open Events AM/PM		£45	£55	1st £250; 2nd £125; 3rd £60
		Entry fee before 22nd July 2016	Entry fee 22nd July 2016 or later	
Weekender Atkins, Soanes, Yates		£30	£40	1st £200; 2nd £100; 3rd £50 Grading Prize(s) to be announced
Rapidplay Open, U150, U125		£30	£40	1st £200; 2nd £100; 3rd £50
Blitz		£20	£30	1st £200; 2nd £100; 3rd £60

ADDITIONAL PRIZES

Best Game Prize - in junior sections (U16 – U10) - **£50** (one prize for each week)

Neil Carr Scholarship Prize - this prize is a one-year scholarship for 2017 for the ECF Chess Academy International Programme. The prize is awarded to the highest eligible player in the Under 10 Championship. Tie break and eligibility rules will be found on the British Championships website prior to the Championships.

The De Lisle Prize (£800) - this is awarded for the best performance by a British female player in any section at the 2016 British Championships. Full details will appear on the British Chess Championships website prior to the Championships.

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 prize giving will be held on Saturday 6th 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 right is reserved to refuse any entry. 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) A player wishing to resume in a tournament after missing a round for any reason must inform the Principal Arbiter for his section of this intention BEFORE the pairings are published for that round. The Congress Manager and/or the Chief Arbiter reserve the right to ask the player to provide a bond which will be returned should the player compete in all subsequent rounds.
- 7) Only food/drink bought at the playing venue may be consumed within it.
- 8) 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. Other players **MUST** be a member of their national body.
- 9) Players competing in FIDE rated events who do not wish to be "English" registered **MUST** be registered with FIDE and obtain a FIDE ID number before entering. To register with FIDE, please contact your preferred National Federation.
- 10) To avoid late fees, both the entry form and entry fee **MUST BE RECEIVED** before the "late fee" date.

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 Gary Willson.

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

INFORMATION FOR COMPETITORS

Grades/Ratings:

For U180, U160, Weekender Soanes and both Seniors U150 sections, the tournaments will be paired using January 2016 National ratings, but will be FIDE rated.

For other FIDE rated standard play events FIDE ratings take precedence, if no FIDE then other National Grade/Rating. For FIDE rated rapidplay and Blitz, please see website for details.

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

Membership: ECF players require Gold Membership for FIDE Rated standard play events, Silver for Non FIDE Rated events and Rapidplays, and Bronze for Blitz

Default time: Players arriving 30 (10 for U9 or U8; 3 for Blitz) minutes or more after the start of a session shall lose, unless the arbiter decides otherwise. Repeating 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 must take a ½ pt bye in a Weekender if they are playing in an afternoon event.

Players must take a ½ pt bye in the Major Open if they have a junior afternoon round.

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

Players competing in both 50+ and 65+ Championships must take either a 0 point bye in Round 7 of 65+ Champ or ½ point bye in Round 1 of 50+ Champ)

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. Players may take up to 2 half point byes in any of the first six rounds of the Major Open.

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

Information regarding accommodation at Bournemouth can be found at ---

<http://www.bebres.org.uk/events/british-chess-championships-.html>

BRITISH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2016 ENTRY FORM

Please enter me for ... (tick the relevant box/boxes)

Player Details	Event	Entry fee to be paid	Enter (please tick)	Bye required? (please indicate round)	
Surname	British Championship				
	65+ Champ				
	Forename (Mr / Mrs / Miss / Ms)	50+ Champ			
		U180/2050 Champ			
	Address	U160/1900 Champ			
		U140/1750 Champ			
	U120/1600 Champ			
	Town	50+ U150/1825			
		65+ U150/1825			
	Postcode	Under 16 Champ			
		Under 15 Champ			
	Telephone No.	Under 14 Champ			
		Under 13 Champ			
	Email	Under 12 Champ			
		Under 11 Champ			
	Tel. No. during the Championships	Under 10 Champ			
		Under 9 Champ			
	Club	Under 8 Champ			
		Major Open			
	Date of birth / /	5 day Open am Week 1			
5 day Open pm Week 1					
Sex - Male / Female (please circle)	5 day Open am Week 2				
	5 day Open pm Week 2				
FIDE Rating / ECF Grade	Rapidplay Open				
	Rapidplay U150/1825				
Other grade / Source	Rapidplay U120/1600				
	Blitz				
ECF Membership P / G / S / B	Weekender Atkins				
	Weekender Soanes (U150/1825)				
ECF Mem. No.	Weekender Yates (U120/1600)				
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					

