

British Chess Championships 2nd – 17th October 2021



CHAMPIONSHIP AND WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP University of Hull, Hull HU6 7RX



JUNIOR AND SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS Kents Hill Park Hotel, Timbold Drive, Milton Keynes MK7 6BZ

The finals for the Open, Women's, Seniors' and Juniors' Standardplay Championships will be held at venues in Hull and Milton Keynes in early October, subject to Covid 19 restrictions in place at the time. Hull will host the Main Championships and the Women's Championship and Milton Keynes will host the Junior and Senior Championships.

Eligibility

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.

Junior Championships

In Junior Championships, ages relate to 1st January 2021 e.g. an Under 10 will be born in 2011 or later. In all Junior Championships the highest placed boy and highest placed girl in each section will receive a trophy.

The FIDE Laws of Chess apply throughout the Championships, except where specifically amended in the tournament rules. These can be found at <https://www.britishchesschampionships.co.uk>

Qualification Rules

CHAMPIONSHIP 2nd – 10th October 2021

GMs, WGMs, IMs and WIMs are eligible to play in this event together with those who qualified for the BOCC-2 Open Standardplay Championship Final in July/August 2021

WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP 14th – 17th October 2021

WGM's and WIM's are eligible to play in this event together with those who qualified for the BOCC-2 Women's Standardplay Championship Final in July/August 2021

JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS (Under 18, 16, 14, 12, 10, 8) 2nd and 3rd October 2021

Players who qualified for the BOCC-2 Online Junior Standardplay or Rapidplay finals held in July and August are invited to take part in the Junior finals in the same age group for which they qualified.

SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS 4th – 10th October 2021

These Championship events will be open to all players as follows -

Over 50 – born 1971 or earlier

Over 65 – born 1956 or earlier

- subject to the eligibility rules.

All qualifiers will be contacted as soon as possible after the Online Championships to confirm details. In addition, there will be a number of direct entries for titled players. Each National Association (England, Scotland, Wales, Ireland, Ulster, Jersey, Guernsey, Isle of Mann) will also be given one nomination into each of Championship and Women's Championship. The organisers also reserve the right to offer wild cards into the Championship or Women's Championship.

Play will take place in the hotel (Milton Keynes) and the conference centre (Hull) with accommodation available at the venues.

Schedule

The playing schedules are set out in the table below, with further details on the British Championships website at <https://www.britishchesschampionships.co.uk/>

CHAMPIONSHIP	Hull	2nd – 10th October, 9 rounds Rounds 1-7 - 2.30 pm Rounds 8 and 9 - 10 am
WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP	Hull	14th – 17th October, 7 rounds Thursday 14th: 4pm Friday – Sunday 15th – 17th: 10am & 4pm
JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS UNDER 18 (born 2003 or later) UNDER 16 (born 2005 or later) UNDER 14 (born 2007 or later) UNDER 12 (born 2009 or later)	Milton Keynes	2nd – 3rd October, 5 rounds Saturday 2nd October: 10am, 1.30pm, 5pm Sunday 3rd October: 10am, 1.30pm
JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS UNDER 10 (born 2011 or later) UNDER 8 (born 2013 or later)	Milton Keynes	2nd – 3rd October, 7 rounds Saturday 2nd October: 10am, 12.30pm, 3pm, 5.30pm Sunday 3rd October: 10am, 12.30pm, 3pm
SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS (Over 50 – born 1971 or earlier) (Over 65 – born 1956 or earlier)	Milton Keynes	Monday 4th – Sunday 10th October Rounds 1-6: 2.30pm Round 7: 10am

Rates of Play

British Championship Senior Championships	40 moves in 90 minutes, followed by 30 minutes to finish the game, with an increment of 30 seconds per move from move one
Women's Championships	All moves in 90 minutes with 30 seconds per move added from move one
Junior Championships (Under 18, 16, 14, 12)	All moves in 80 minutes with 10 seconds per move added from move one
Junior Championships (Under 10, 8)	All moves in 50 minutes with 10 seconds per move added from move one

Ratings

For all sections in all tournaments the ratings used for each tournament will be in the following order of priority ---

FIDE OTB Rating (September 2021)

ECF / National OTB Rating (September 2021)

ECF / National Online Rating (September 2021)

1) Where a player has none of the above, the organisers will assign an estimate based on all available data on a case-by-case basis, failing which the player will be assigned a rating of 0

2) The ratings allocated by this process will be used in the calculation of any relevant prizes.

Obtaining a FIDE Identification Number

All entrants playing in a FIDE-rated section must have a FIDE ID number AT THE TIME OF SUBMITTING THEIR ENTRY, unless they wish their FIDE nationality to be England. English players without a FIDE ID number will have one created at the time the rating files are submitted to FIDE.

Overlapping events

Players may not take part in two tournaments on the same day if the sessions are scheduled at the same time.

Byes

The preferred way for byes to be claimed is on the entry form where at all possible. Players may take up to 2 half-point byes in any section. A player will score 0 if a half-point bye is taken in the last round. If a player takes two byes then they will score 0 if the second half-point bye is taken in the last round, or if both the half-point byes are taken in the last two rounds.

Tie Breaks

Where there is a tie for 1st place, the following tie-breaks will be used, except in the case of the British Championship (see regulations) –

(1) Direct Encounter (2) Median-Buchholz (3) Buchholz Cut 1 (4) Buchholz

To qualify for the English Championship prize players must be FIDE-registered to ENG.

Publicity

Please note that video and 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 streaming, video or photography as above should be notified to the event organisers. Information on how we use the data you provide us is included in the 'Conditions 2019' section which can be accessed on this website (a paper copy of which is available on request via the ECF Office), as is other information for competitors, including conditions of entry and tournament rules. Entry to the Championships is deemed to be acceptance of the conditions shown on this site.

COVID 19 Arrangements

The event will comply with government guidelines at the time in relation to the pandemic. Further details of specific arrangements will be published shortly and updated as appropriate.

ENTRY FEES and PRIZES

Please note - the organisers reserve the right to change the prize fund

Event	Entry	Before 24/09/2021	24/09/2021 or later	PRIZES
British Championship	GM, IM, WGM, WIM	Free	£50	1st £2000, 2nd £1000, 3rd £600, 4th £400, 5th £200, 6 th 100 Performance Prizes £250, £120 Alexander Best Game Prize £100
	FM, WFM	£50	£60	
	All others	£100	£120	
British Women's Championship	WGM, WIM	Free	£50	1st £600, 2nd £200, 3rd £100
	All Others	£50	£60	
Over 50 / Over 65	GM, IM, WGM, WIM	Free	£50	1st £240, 2nd £120, 3rd £60
	All others	£50	£60	
U18 - U8 Championships	All	£25	£35	1st, 2nd and 3rd - Trophy

The full regulations can be found here - <https://www.britishchesschampionships.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/2021-BCC-Tournament-Rules.pdf>

ENTRY PROCEDURE

No entries can be accepted except on an official entry form (this document) or via the online entry form here - <https://britchess.wufoo.com/forms/british-chess-championships-2021/> Where this is impossible please contact the ECF office for an alternative way of entering.

English players MUST be members of the English Chess Federation. Gold membership is required for all events. Members should quote their membership number on the entry form. Other players MUST be a member of their national body.

To avoid late fees, both the entry form and entry fee MUST BE RECEIVED before the 'late fee' date of 24/09/2021.

Venue and Accommodation Hull (Open and Women's Championships)



The playing venue is the Canham Turner Conference Centre, University of Hull, Cottingham Road, Hull, HU6 7RX - <https://www.beyond-events.co.uk/venues/canham-turner/>. The Canham Turner is a modern conference facility, benefiting from a recent £7m upgrade and circled in red on the campus plan.



We can offer participants free onsite parking permits on request.

Travelling to the event

Hull is easily accessible by public transport or road. It's just two and a half hours drive from major cities like Newcastle and Birmingham. Manchester is less than two hours away, and you can drive to Leeds or Sheffield in just over an hour. The postcode for the campus entrance is HU6 7RU.

The University is between two and three miles from Hull Paragon (Central) station and can be easily reached by bus (12/14 minutes). During the day there are three buses an hour, two an hour in the evening. Routes 103, 105, x47. Buses run until around 23.30.

There are cafes and bars on site and a large pub just outside the University entrance. Ten minutes' walk away, Newlands Avenue has a number of bars, cafes and restaurants. For those not wishing to stay at the University there are hotels close to Hull Paragon Station and the City Centre.

Accommodation

There are (limited) single bedrooms available on campus at £39.00 per night bed and breakfast and some doubles at £61.00 per night at two university-controlled B&B's near to the site. These may be booked direct here - <https://www.beyond-events.co.uk/accommodation/guest-houses/>. There are also a small number of rooms available on site which may be reserved by contacting Stephen Greep at sjgreep@gmail.com on a first come, first served basis). Parking permits are also available adjacent to the playing venue and will again be allocated on a first come, first served basis (also by contacting Stephen Greep).

For those not wishing to stay at the University there are hotels close to Hull Paragon Station and the City Centre.

Venue and Accommodation

Milton Keynes (Senior and Junior Championships)



The Junior and Senior Championships will be held at the Kents Hill Park Hotel, Timbold Drive, Milton Keynes, MK7 6BZ

Travelling to the Event

Kents Hill Park is easily accessible by road or rail, with 450 free parking spaces on site. M1 junctions 13 and 14 are both provide easy access from the North, South and East. The A421 runs along the north boundary of Kents Hill providing access from the West.

Taxis are always outside the MK Central Station or Bletchley station and both journeys will take just 10 minutes to Kents Hill Park Training and Conference Centre.

There is a restaurant and bar on site. Kingston Centre is about 10 minutes walk away along the Redways, with a pub and several places to buy meals and food to take away, including Nando's and McDonalds. Also clothing and chemist shops, in case of emergencies. There are more restaurants in Central Milton Keynes and surrounding villages which can be reached in less than half an hour driving. For those without transport, there are several pubs within walking distance that do food.



Accommodation

Accommodation is available at the Kents Park Hotel venue. You can book via Guaranteed Events here - <https://www.guaranteedevents.com/british-champs>
For those not wishing to stay at Kents Hill there are hotels in Central Milton Keynes and scattered throughout the city.

BRITISH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2020 ENTRY FORM

Please enter me for ... (please tick the relevant box or boxes below)

Title and Surname _____

Forename(s) _____

Address (including postcode) _____

Telephone number _____

Email _____

Club _____

Date of birth _____

Gender _____

EVENT	Fee before 24/9/21	Tick to indicate entry	Bye & round
BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP GM WGM IM WIM	Free		
BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP FM WFM	£50		
BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP (all others)	£100		
WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP GM WGM IM WIM	Free		
WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP (all others)	£50		
JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS			
UNDER 18 (born 2003 or later)	£25		
UNDER 16 (born 2005 or later)	£25		
UNDER 14 (born 2007 or later)	£25		
UNDER 12 (born 2009 or later)	£25		
UNDER 10 (born 2011 or later)	£25		
UNDER 8 (born 2013 or later)	£25		
SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS			
Over 50 GM WGM IM WIM - born 1971 or earlier	Free		

Over 50 - born 1971 or earlier	£50		
Over 65 GM WGM IM WIM - born 1956 or earlier	Free		
Over 65 - born 1956 or earlier	£50		

FIDE rating, ECF grade or other grade and source

ECF membership number (MExxxxxx) _____

Nationality _____

FIDE federation _____

Entry fees _____

Donation (thank you!) _____

Total enclosed _____

Entries MUST include the appropriate payment. Cheques should be made payable to 'English Chess Federation' and sent with this entry form to Congress Admin at the ECF Office, The Watch Oak, Chain Lane, Battle, East Sussex TN33 0YD

Credit / debit card payment

Card number

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Expiry Date ____ / ____ CVC Number _____

Declaration - I wish to enter, and am eligible for, the tournaments indicated and I have read and understood the entry conditions of these Championships

Signed _____

(Competitor or Parent/Guardian/Representative)