

Controller: Kevin Staveley

Open Section

1st: £300, 2nd: £170, 3rd: £110

Grading Prizes (U2050, 1900, 1800 & 1700): £100 each

Entry fees : Adults £20, Juniors £10

Open entrants without a FIDE rating need to obtain a FIDE ID, if they don't have one already, via their national federation, before entering. Welsh players may do so quickly and without cost by contacting Robert Taylor (01633 243583; gradingofficer@welshchessunion.org.uk).

Major Section – open to players graded below 1600 (119 ECF)

1st: £150

The 2nd, 3rd and grading prizes (U1400 & U1200) will be announced at the Congress but the total prize fund will be at least equal to section entry fees.

Entry fees : Adults £18, Juniors £9

Please send entries to:

Tony Haigh, Brithdir Mawr, Newport, Pems. SA42 0QJ. Tel: 07811 852829. E-mail tony@brithdirmawr.co.uk

- Rate of play: all moves in 1½ hours with 30 second increments added after each move.
- A half point bye may be requested for any one of the first four rounds, provided it is claimed on this entry form.
- A player otherwise entitled to more than one prize will be awarded the largest only. Where there is a tie for a grading prize on points scored, it will be awarded in full to the player with the lowest rating.
- Players without any rating shall not be eligible for a grading prize.
- Juniors must be under 18 on 1st September, 2016.
- Late arrivals will be allowed 30 minutes on their clock in any round and then defaulted.
- Rules will be posted at the Congress:
 - to make the controller's decisions subject to a summary appeals procedure;
 - to ensure players can take a minimum break of 30 minutes between rounds.
- The organisers reserve the right to refuse or transfer entries.

Ratings

in the **Open Section** the Feb. 2017 FIDE Rating List will be used as far as possible to make the pairings and to award grading prizes.

In the **Major Section**, for the same purposes and also in determining eligibility to play in that section, players' January 2017 WCU ratings will be used or, as the case may be, ratings in other most recent national lists. To convert from English to Welsh ratings, multiply ECF grades by 8 and then add 650. Players without any rating should consult Tony Haigh before seeking to enter the Major.

FIDE-rated Blitz Tournament

Kevin Staveley has kindly offered to run a Blitz Tournament (3 minutes plus 2 second increments per move for the whole game) on the Saturday evening. These games may well count towards FIDE Blitz ratings. To help planning, would entrants please state on the form whether they would be likely to take part.

Accommodation

The **Fishguard Bay Hotel** (SA64 0BT) is situated on the edge of the Pembrokeshire Coast National Park in its own woodland and looks out across the bay towards the east. Strumble Head lies behind the hotel and the scene of the last invasion of mainland Britain is not far away along the Pembrokeshire Coast National Trail.

The Hotel charge will be £150 per person for shared rooms and £155 for single rooms (inclusive of service charge and VAT), for tea/coffee and Welsh cakes on arrival, and a selection of soup, sandwiches and coffee at dinner time. A full Welsh breakfast, 1 course buffet lunch with coffee and 3 course dinner plus coffee on Saturday, and on Sunday, full Welsh breakfast and traditional Sunday lunch with dessert. (Vegetarian options available.) Children sharing a room with at least one adult will be charged £72.50 each.

Accommodation comprises en-suite room, with tea/coffee making facilities, hair dryer, radio intercom, colour TV and direct dial telephone. Entrants must make their own arrangements with the Hotel about accommodation. (Tel. 01348 873571, Fax 01348 873030 or e-mail officefbh@aol.com)

Players booking accommodation for the congress must pay a £20 deposit to the hotel.

Non-resident players will be able to purchase any of the following:

Friday evening or lunchtime Sat./Sun: Soup and Roll for £4.95 or Sandwiches for £4.50; *Saturday Lunch:* £10.95 (available from 1:00) *Dinner:* £16.50 *Sunday Lunch* £12.95 (available from 1:00)

There are limited facilities for handicapped entrants.

Directions

Follow signs to the Fishguard Ferry Terminal (to Rosslare) but at the roundabout outside the terminal and railway station go straight ahead (with the sea on your right) up a slight hill and follow the no through road around to the right; the hotel is half a mile along this road at its end.

Local Tourist Information Centre

<http://www.fishguardonline.com>

Tel: 01437 776636.

Entry Form

Name.....

Address.....

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E-mail.....

Telephone No.

Club.....

National Rating.....

Date of Birth (if Junior).....

I wish to enter the.....Section

(Open Entrants Only) My FIDE ID Number is.....

I enclose an entry fee of £ and a donation of £.....

Please make cheques / postal orders payable to: *Dyfed Chess Association*

- I require a half-point bye in round.....
- I'd be likely / unlikely to enter the Blitz Tournament (*Please delete as appropriate*)

46th Dyfed Chess Congress

at the

Fishguard Bay Hotel

Goodwick, Pembrokeshire.

24th February – 26th February 2017

There will be two sections run on the Swiss System, an Open section which will be FIDE rated and a Major section open to players with a national rating under 1600.

Timetable

Round 1	Friday 24 th Feb	6:45 p.m.
Round 2	Saturday 25 th Feb	9:30 a.m.
Round 3	Saturday 25 th Feb	3:00 p.m.
Round 4	Sunday 26 th Feb	9:30 a.m.
Round 5	Sunday 26 th Feb	3:00 p.m.