

# BRITISH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2017

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# **VENUE CYMRU, The Promenade, Llandudno LL30 1BB**

# Friday 28th July – Sunday 6th August 2017

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#### **CHAMPIONSHIPS ORGANISERS**

Congress Manager: Kevin Staveley ECF Director of Home Chess: Alex Holowczak Congress Treasurer: David Eustace

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 2017 e.g. an Under 10 will be born in 2007 or later.

All Junior Championships will include titles for at least one boy and one girl.

For a complete set of rules on qualification, see www.britishchesschampionships.co.uk

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

# **BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP**

This event is open only to exempted or qualified players.

Saturday 29th July to Sunday 6th August

9 rounds - rounds 1-8 (Saturday 29th July – Saturday 5th August) begin each day at 2.30pm, round 9 (Sunday 6th Aug) begins 10.00am

#### **BRITISH SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIPS**

65+ (born 1952 or earlier) 50+ (Born 1967 or earlier) 7 rounds, starting 2.30pm daily Sunday 30th July - Saturday 5th August Sunday 30th July - Saturday 5th August

#### BRITISH JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

7 rounds

UNDER 16 (born 2001 or later) UNDER 14 (2003 or later) UNDER 12 (2005 or later) UNDER 10 (2007 or later) Sunday 30th July – Saturday 5th August 9.15am Sunday 30th July – Saturday 5th August 9.15am Sunday 30th July – Saturday 5th August 9.15am Sunday 30th July – Saturday 5th August 9.15 am

## UNDER 11 (2006 or later) (7 rounds)

Friday 28th July AND Saturday 29th July - 9.15am, 1 pm, 4.45pm Sunday 30th July - 9.15am

UNDER 9 (2008 or later) (6 rounds) Friday 28th July - 2.30pm, 5.00pm

Saturday 29th July - 9.15am, 11.45am, 2.30pm, 5.00pm

# UNDER 8 (2009 or later) (6 rounds)

Sunday 30th July - 10.30am, 12 noon, 1.30pm, 3.00pm, 4.30pm, 6.00pm Entrants to BOTH the U8 and U9 Championships before 21st July may deduct £10 from their total entry fee.

Please note this means if you've entered **BOTH** events, not just one or the other ...

#### **MAJOR OPEN - OPEN TO ALL PLAYERS**

Saturday 29th July to Sunday 6th August

9 rounds - rounds 1-8 (Saturday 29th July – Saturday 5th Aug) begin each day 2.30pm Round 9 (Sunday 6th August) begins 10.00am

# **WEEKEND TOURNAMENTS (5 rounds)**

Friday 28th July 7.00pm, Saturday 29th July 9:15am and 2.30pm, Sunday 30th July 9.15am and 2.30pm Atkins Tournament - open to all players

Soanes Tournament - open to players under FIDE 1825 or if no FIDE Grade ECF below 150 Yates Tournament - open to players under ECF 120/1600 (January 2017 list)

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.

#### **WEEKDAY TOURNAMENTS** - 5 rounds

5 DAY AM Open Tournament Monda Under 180/2050 Tournament Monda Under 160/1900 Tournament Monda Under 140/1750 Tournament Monda Under 120/1600 Tournament Monda Under 100/1450 Tournament Monda

Monday 31st July - Friday 4th August 9.15am Monday 31st July - Friday 4th August 2.30pm Monday 31st July - Friday 4th August 9.15am Monday 31st July - Friday 4th August 2.30pm Monday 31st July - Friday 4th August 9.15am Monday 31st July - Friday 4th August 2.30pm

#### **RAPIDPLAY** – ONE SECTION - 9 ROUND FIDE-rated

Saturday 5th August - 1.00pm, 1.45pm, 2.30pm, 3.15pm, 4.00pm 4.45pm, 5.30pm, 6.15pm, 7.00pm

#### **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 Senior Championships Major Open
All moves in 90 minutes with 30 seconds per move added from move one.	Graded Tournaments - U180, U160, U140, U120, U100 Junior Championships - U16, U14, U12, U10 Morning Open Weekenders - Atkins, Soanes, Yates
All moves in 75 minutes with 10 seconds per move added from move 1.	Junior Championships U11
All moves in 50 minutes with 10 seconds per move added from move one.	Junior Championships U9
All moves in 20 minutes with 10 seconds per move added from move one.	Junior Championships U8
All moves in 10 minutes with 5 seconds per move added from move one.	Rapidplay

#### **British Championship Play-off**

Should the Championship be tied, a play-off will determine the title. The play-off will be held on Saturday 6th August. The regulations can be found on the website prior to the Championships. In the event of any other tournament being tied, the title and any prize money will be shared.

#### **CONDITIONS OF ENTRY**

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 and Championship websites or by contacting the ECF Office with a stamped addressed envelope.

English players **MUST** be members of the English Chess Federation. Gold membership is required for FIDE-rated events (other than Rapidplay) and Silver for others.

Silver membership is required for Rapidplay. 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.

Note - a £10 surcharge will apply to entries made on the day of an event, if accepted.

#### **Grades/Ratings**

The ratings used for each tournament will be in the following order of priority, where the following letters are ---

E - ECF / National Rating (January 2017)

Q - ECF Rapidplay Rating (January 2017)

F - FIDE Rating (July 2017)

R - FIDE Rapidplay Rating (July 2017)

Championship	FE	Under 11	EQ	Under 140/1750	FE
Major Open	FE	Under 10	FE	Under 120/1600	EQ
Over 50	FE	Under 9	EQ	Under 100/1450	EQ
Over 65	FE	Under 8	QE	Weekend Open	FE
Under 16	FE	AM Open	FE	Weekend U150/1825	FE
Under 14	FE	Under 180/2050	FE	Weekend U120/1600	EQ
Under 12	FE	Under 160/1900	FE	Rapidplay	RQFE

<sup>1)</sup> 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 conversion between ECF ratings and National/FIDE ratings will be Elo = (ECF x 7.5) + 700
- 3) 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.

PLEASE NOTE: At the time of writing, changing this nationality later costs 250 Euros.

#### Overlapping events

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

#### **EXCEPTION**

A player can claim a 0 point bye in round 7 of U11 Championship if he/she is not in line for a possible prize in that section and also playing in another junior Championship, but if the player is in line for a possible prize in the under 11 Championship then he/she must take a 1/2 point bye in round 1 of any other junior event in order to play in round 7 of the under 11 Championship.

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.

#### **Byes**

In non-championship events, the preferred way for byes to be claimed is on the entry form where at all possible. Players may request up to 2 half point byes in the Major Open and Rapidplay and one half point bye in other sections. A player will score 0 if a Half Point Bye is requested in the last round. If a tournament permits two Half Point Byes, then a player will score 0 if the second Half Point Bye request is in the last round, or if both the Half Point Byes are requested in the last two rounds.

<u>Information for competitors, conditions of entry and tournament rules are available to download</u> from British Chess Championship website at www.britishchesschampionships.co.uk

Entry to the Championships is deemed to be acceptance of the conditions shown on the site



#### **ENTRY FEES and PRIZES**

Event		Entry fee before 23rd June 2017	Entry fee on/after 23rd June 2017	PRIZES
British Championship	GM, IM, WGM, WIM	Free	£50	1st £10000*; 2nd £5000; 3rd £2500; 4th £1500; 5th £1000; 6th £1000; 7th £500; 8th £500 British Womens Championship
	FM/WFM	£75	£125	1st £1000; 2nd £500; 3rd £250 Under 21 1st £1000; 2nd £500;
	2150 and above Untitled	£150	£200	3rd £250; 4th £250 50+ Special Prizes 1st £1000; 2nd £500 Alexander Best Game Prize £100
	2000 – 2149 inclusive	£200	£250	Rating Prizes 2451-2550 1st £2000; 2nd £1000; 3rd £500; 2351-2450 1st £2000; 2nd £1000; 3rd £500; 2201-2350
	Under 2000	£300	£350	£250; <b>2051-2200</b> £250 * incl. £1500 English Champion prize
Major Open	GM, IM, WGM, WIM	Free	Free	1st £750; 2nd £400 3rd £250; 4th £100 Performance Rated
	FM/WFM	£50	£100	Prize(s) to be announced
	Others	£100	£150	at the Championships
Weekday Tournaments Morning Open U180, U160, U140, U120, U100		£45	£55	1st £240; 2nd £120; 3rd £60
Over 50 / Over 65		£60	£80	1st £400; 2nd £200; 3rd £100
U16 - U10 Championships		£45	£55	1st £240; 2nd £120; 3rd £60
U9 Championship		£35	£45	1st £200; 2nd £100; 3rd £50
U8 Championship		£25	£35	1st £100; 2nd £60; 3rd £30
5 Day Tournament AM		£45	£55	1st £240; 2nd £120; 3rd £60

Event	Entry fee before 22nd July 2017	Entry fee on/after 22nd July 2017	PRIZES
Weekend Tournaments Atkins, Soanes, Yates	£30	£40	1st £200; 2nd £100; 3rd £50 Grading Prize(s) to be announced
Rapidplay	£30	£40	1st £200; 2nd £100; 3rd £50 Rating Prizes - 2000 – 1751 (inclusive) £50; 1750 – 1501 (inclusive) £50; 1500 – 1251 (inclusive) £50; 1250 – 1001 (inclusive) £50

#### ADDITIONAL PRIZES

Best game prize in junior sections (U16 - U10) - £50

#### **Neil Carr Fellowship Prize**

This prize is a one-year scholarship for 2018 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

## **BRITISH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2017 ENTRY FORM**

Championships website.

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

Player Details	Event	ECF members - membership level (reqd)	Enter? (please tick)	Bye reqd? (please indicate round)	
Surname	British Championships				
Forename	65+ Championship				
(Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms/Other)	50+ Championship				
Address	Under 16 Championship				
	Under 14 Championship				
Town	Under 12 Championship				
	Under 11 Championship				
Postcode	Under 10 Championship				
Telephone	Under 9 Championship				
Telephone (during the BCC) if known	Under 8 Championship				
	Major Open				
Email	5 Day Open AM				
Club	U180/2050				
Date of birth	U160/1900				
Gender	U140/1750				
	U120/1600				
FIDE rating / ECF grade	U100/1450				
Other grade / Source?	Rapidplay				
ECF Membership Number	Weekender Atkins				
 Nationality	Weekender Soanes (U150/1825)				
FIDE E. L. William	Weekender Yates (U120/1600)				
FIDE Federation	Events in red are FIDE-rated and require ECF Gold Membership (Silver for non FIDE-rated events and Rapidplays)				
Please sign here to indicate you h					

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 Congress Admin at the ECF Office	£

# Membership of the ECF at the appropriate level is required of all English players who play in any event

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

## **Payment by Paypal**

If you have a PayPal account, you can transfer funds to pay for your entry to the Championships. Please tick here if you have done so, and use the PayPal message box to indicate the event(s) you're paying for. The ECF PayPal address is - paypal@englishchess.org.uk

Payment by Visa/MasterCard Please debit my Visa/MasterCard ${f f}$						
Expiry Date/ CVC N	lumber					
Name & Address of Cardholder						
Declaration - I wish to enter and am eligible for the tournaments named and have read and understood the entrance conditions of these Championships.						

Please return this form to Congress Admin, British Chess Championships, The Watch Oak, Chain Lane, Battle, East Sussex TN33 0YD Email: british.entries@englishchess.org.uk



Signed

(Competitor or Parent/Guardian/Representative)

<sup>\*</sup> Donations to assist the Congress are always welcomed.