Castle Chess News:

As we enter our 4th Year of Castle Chess we record that 129 individuals played in one or both of our events already this year.

Castle Chess endeavours to find hotels with quality and a character of their own which will put your chess playing in a comfortable and friendly environment.

Castle Chess Grand Prix: 50p of each entry fee received will be put into the prize fund and awarded to Castle Chess players who earn the highest total of game points in our 2012 Weekend Congress events. Final places and prizes will be decided here in Dudley.

Under new rules by the English Chess Federation all players must become Silver or Gold members of the Association to enjoy the full benefits of Congress Discounts. These Silver or Gold members will be able to claim a £6 discount for this congress.

Enter all 5 weekend Castle Chess events during 2012 and be awarded a £30 loyalty voucher towards a 2013 Castle Chess event.

Castle Chess Grand Prix Leaders:

(after Hereford March 2012) 1st Richard Desmedt (Wombwell) 8 pts

2nd Alan Fraser (Beckenham & Bromley)
 7.5 pts
 3rd Ray Ilett (Peterborough), Erika Orsagova(London)
 and Steven Payne(Salisbury)
 6.5 pts

Castle Chess Dudley Winners October 2011:

OPEN: Peter Davies (Cardiff)

MAJOR: Phillip Bull (West Bromwich)
INTERMEDIATE: Richard Leaper (Birmingham)
MINOR: Peter Kearns (Warley Quinborne)

CHALLENGERS: Keven Lamb (Eastleigh)

Your enjoyment at a chess congress is our main concern. Please ask and, if possible, we shall do our best to make it happen.

ACCOMMODATION AND VENUE:

The Quality Hotel Dudley
Birmingham Road, Dudley, W Midlands. DY1 4RN
01384 458070

Castle Chess invites chess players for a weekend's congress in a good playing venue in the heart of the UK. The Ouality Hotel in Dudley is 3*.

The hotel restaurant offers good basic catering for your cooked breakfast or evening meals.

There is plenty of on site parking.

done through Castle Chess to gain the best rates. There are 15 rooms reserved by us until 15th September. Early booking is advised, but do please enquire after this date if you received your entry form later.

PACKAGE TYPES:

(Entry Fee of £26 is included)

			B&B	Half-Board
"A"	Single	1 night	£ 72	£ 84
"B"	Single	2 nights	£ 109	£ 134
"C"	Single	3 nights	£ 145	£ 182
"D"	Twin	1 night	£ 70 per p	person £ 82
"E"	Twin	2 nights	£ 105 per	person £ 130
"F"	Twin	3 nights	£142 per p	person £ 178

NonePlayers may deduct £32 from the cost of their room.

Entry Fee only: £32

Entry Fee reduced by £6.00 for ECF Silver or Gold members.

To obtain these rates your accommodation must be booked via Tony Corfe: contact details elsewhere.



presents their

2nd Dudley Congress

in a hotel venue

Saturday and Sunday 6th / 7th October 2012

ECF Game Fee Registered ENGLISH CHESS FEDERATION 2012 Grand Prix Event

3 Sections - 5 Round Swiss

OPEN - Unrestricted including Premier U180 MAJOR - Under 160 including Intermediate U140 MINOR - Under 120 including Challengers U100

The Castle Controlling Team :

Marc Shaw and Tony Corfe (ECF Arbiter)

Players are eligible to win points in one, or more, of the "English Chess Federation 2012 Graded Grand Prix", sponsored by CCF. as well as the Junior Grand Prix.

CONGRESS - 5 round Swiss Tournament

PRIZES: £150 per section - Guaranteed, plus at least one grading prize(£70) in each sub-section.

ENTRY FEE - (without accommodation) - £32

CONGRESS DISCOUNTS - Junior (U18) £6.00 ECF Silver or Gold Member (Number supplied) £6.00

PRIZE CONDITIONS: Each section's prize fund is guaranteed as long as we run the section. The overall fund will be increased if the total number of adult entrants exceeds 60 players. This will be awarded pro rata to each event based on their numbers. All cash prizes will be shared, but players will only be eligible to win one prize.

UNGRADED players may only win 1/3 of any prize, in any section except in the OPEN!. A graded player will be in the ECF list (Standard or Rapidplay) with a code A to E, or in another National list.

WITHDRAWALS: A deduction of £5 will be made from any refund unless carried forward to a future Castle Chess event. Accommodation booked will have to be paid for unless 24 hours notice has been given.

LATE ARRIVALS: Players will be allowed 30 minutes on their clock, after the scheduled round start time, before being defaulted. Re-pairing will take place if at all possible.

ENTRY CONDITIONS: The organisers reserve the right to refuse an entry, without assigning a reason, or to cancel or merge sections.

PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN AT THE EVENT may be used for publicity purposes. Players should advise the organisers if they wish not to have their photographs published. The ECF Data Protection Officer is Tina Weddell at time of going to press.

DISPUTES: Appeals against the Arbiter's decisions will be resolved by an appeals committee. In all other matters the organiser's decisions are final.

BOOKSTALL: A bookstall may be supplied by Tournament Chess Supplies. Please call 01707 659080 for specific requests.

PLAYING SCHEDULE

*The Players Review is an open forum that allows competitors to comment on the current congress and suggest any improvements for future Castle Chess events.

Saturday (6th Oct)

Rd 1 10:00 to 13:30 *Players Review 14:15 Rd 2 14:30 to 18:00 Rd 3 19:00 to 22:30

Sunday (7th Oct)

Rd 4 10:00 to 13:30 Rd 5 14:15 to 17:45

Prize-Giving at 18.00

RATE OF PLAY:

36 moves in 90 minutes plus 15 mins QPF.

EVENT ENQUIRIES:

Tony Corfe, 51 Borough Way, Potters Bar, Herts. EN6 3HA Tel: 01707 659080 Fax: 01707 661160 Mob: 07973 516718 email: tony@tcs-chess.demon.co.uk

or Marc Shaw 07947 813303

Calendar of Castle Events 2012

5th Potters Bar5th & 7th MayPotters Bar URC6th Potters Bar28-29 JulyPotters Bar URC2nd Dudley6-7 OctoberQuality Hotel

Castle Events 2013

5th Portsmouth 22-24 February Royal Beach Hotel 5th Hereford 16-17 March Green Dragon Hotel

We have a possible venue in the Winchester Area for an event in January 2013.

Visit our website at www.castlechess.co.uk

Late Fee applies 7 days before event



ENTRY FORM 2nd Dudley October 2012

FIRST NAME					
LAST NAME					
ADDRESS					
Post Code					
Telephone:					
email:					
ECF GRADE ECF CODE					
CLUB ECF Membership Type					
DATE OF BIRTH					
SECTION ENTERED					
Half Point Bye requested in Round(not Rd					
Tian Tome Bye requested in Round(not Ru					
Entry Fee Only £ 32 - 00					
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TOTAL £ _____ Cheques / PO payable to : "Castle Chess"

Please send completed entry form with fee to: Castle Chess, 3 Greer Road, Harrow Weald, Harrow, HA3 6JF

Card payment accepted over the telephone for a fee of 5%. Tel: 01707 659080 (9 a.m. to 9 p.m.) but only if booked before 5th October.