# Hertfordshire Schools Chess Association



# Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2012

Chess Championships
Qualifying Tournament for



London Junior Chess Championships
Founded 1924

U8, U10, U12 and U18 sections (9.00am to 5.00pm)

'Stars Barred' Tournament (1.45pm to 5.00pm)

#### Venue:

Skyswood Primary School, Chandlers Road, St Albans, AL4 9RS

#### **Enquiries**

Please email HSCA@Live.Co.Uk or call 07971 196148

#### Main Tournament Details

This tournament will be run in a Swiss format of 6 rounds, meaning that all players will compete in every round and play someone on about the same score. Standard ECF Rapid Play rules will apply. Each player will be allowed 30 minutes per game. Chess clocks will be used in all sections. Only appointed stewards & players will be allowed in the playing hall. All players & parents must abide by our Code of Conduct, which will be on display on the day. All games (except 'Stars Barred') will be ECF graded.

## Approximate Schedule:

Arrive	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Rd 6	Prize Giving
09:00	09:20	10:40	11:50	13:00	14:10	15:20	16:45

## Under 8, Under 10 and Under 12 sections

The U8, U10 & U12 sections are qualifiers for the London Junior Chess Championships. To qualify you need to score:

U8: 4 points or more

U10 Major & U12 Major: 4.5 points or more

U10 Minor & U12 Minor: 3.5 or 4 points

U14 Minor & Minor: No qualification required

#### Adults Under 160 and Juniors Under 18

This section is open to all juniors players (under 18) and to Adults who are graded Under 160 (ECF).

#### 'Star Barred' Tournament

The 'stars-barred' Tournament is an opportunity for juniors who have recently started playing chess or have been playing for some time without success to enjoy a tournament and get some coaching and guidance. Please arrive at 1.45pm for 2:00pm start. Approximate finish time: 5.00pm.

#### <u>Prizes</u>

There will be prizes for the winner in each section and further prizes commensurate with number of entries.

#### Refreshments

There will be a tuck shop with refreshments available however players should bring a packed lunch and a drink.

AGM & Parents vs Children Match - 21<sup>st</sup> Oct 2012

HSCA's AGM will be on 21<sup>st</sup> October at Skyswood Primary School in St Albans, the day will include a Parent's vs. Children match and coaching for juniors, we would like to see as many people there as possible, for information please email hsca@live.co.uk.

#### Entry Fee

For the graded sections entry fees have been set to £20.00, if you are silver/gold ECF member you should deduct £5.00. This reflects a change in the membership structure within ECF. It may be more beneficial to become an ECF member, please see <a href="https://www.englishchess.org.uk">www.englishchess.org.uk</a> for more details.

#### Disclaimer

Adult supervision will only be provided in the playing area whilst your children are playing chess. Parents/ Guardians are responsible for their children at all times and in all places, during the tournament. The organisers of the tournament and their helpers are volunteers, they are not able to act "In Loco Parentis" and they are not able to take responsibility for your child's actions, or the actions of anyone that may affect you or your child. We request that children be supervised throughout the day. The Organisers accept no responsibility for any loss, theft or accident to competitors or visitors and their belongings at the venue or in the car park and surrounding areas.

#### Data

The Name and Date of Birth of the players will be submitted to the ECF to grade these games. All players name, age and grade maybe published on the ECF grading website, if you do not want this information to be published, you must advise the ECF. We have requested your residential and school post codes so that we can ascertain whether you are eligible to play chess for the Hertfordshire teams.

Please send entries to Donna Obstfeld, PO Box 1159, Bushey,	WD23 9FB	
Entry Form		. <b></b>
Name: Boy/G	irl:	
E-Mail address:		
Telephone:		
Club/School:		
Date of birth:Age (on 31 <sup>st</sup> Aug	2012):	
(optional) Home postcode: School postc	ode:	
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Stars Barred (1.45pm to 5pm)	£8.00	
Under 8 (9am to 5pm)	£20.00	
Under 10 (9am to 5pm)	£20.00	
Under 12 (9am to 5pm)	£20.00	
Adults U160 / Juniors Under 14/16 (9am to 5pm)	£20.00	
Late fee (entries post marked after $27^h$ Sept '12)	£5.00	
Donations (all surpluses will be used for the		
development of junior chess in Hertfordshire)		
ECF (Silver/Gold) Membership Discount*	-£5.00	
ECF Membership Number:		

Cheques (	pavable to	HSCA	please)	enclosed fo	or: f.	
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Entries may be accepted on the day if places are available, please let us know in advance and arrive at 9am so that Round 1 can start promptly.