

CONGRESS SECRETARY

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ENTRY

The Congress organisers reserve the right to refuse any entry without assigning a reason.

DONATIONS

These are particularly welcome as they help maintain the high standard of the Southend Congress coupled with reasonable entry fees in relation to prizes.

ACCOMMODATION

See www.visitsouthend.co.uk / tel: 01702 618747

ECF MEMBERSHIP

Available from www.englishchess.org.uk / tel: 01424 775222

ECF GRADING

All games will be submitted for grading.

BOOKSTALL

By Tournament Chess Supplies, 51 Borough Way, Potters Bar, EN6 3HA. Tel: 01707 659080

ANALYSIS

No analysis shall be allowed in the playing area. A separate area shall be provided for analysis.

In the event of a dispute, the decision of the tournament controller is final.

CHESS BOOKS

SECONDHAND AND OUT-OF-PRINT

Long-established mail-order business

See website for large stock:

www.chessbooks.co.uk

Email: tony@chessbooks.co.uk

Tel: 01702 462757 (Tony Peterson)

REFRESHMENTS

Light refreshments will be on sale during the Congress.

LATE ARRIVAL AND RE-PAIRING

There will be a default time of 30 minutes for all games. Players without an opponent will be re-paired if possible.

PRIZES

Where ties occur prize money will be shared. Ties for trophies will be resolved by the sum of progressive scores, then the sum of opponents' scores. A tie for the British Championship qualifying place will be resolved by the sum of progressive scores, then the average of opponents' grades.

DEREK FIELD MEMORIAL TROPHY

The Essex Junior with the highest percentage score in any tournament will hold this trophy for one year.

PRIZE GIVING

Easter Monday at 4pm. Please attend if you can.

RESULTS

The results from all events will be published on the Southend Club's website - www.southendchessclub.co.uk - shortly after completion of the Congress.

WINNERS 2012

Southend Open: 1st Ameet Ghasi, 2nd Robert Eames, 3rd-5th Michael White, Jim Burnett, David Haydon

Major: Alan Downham, James McDonnell

Intermediate: Nigel Dennis

Minor: Lee Roberts

57th Southend EASTER CHESS CONGRESS

**Good Friday March 29th 2013 to
Easter Monday April 1st 2013**

Sponsored by:



£5000+ PRIZE FUND

Supported by:



To be held in the

**Civic Centre
Victoria Avenue
Southend-on-Sea
Essex, SS2 6EN**

Organised by

**Southend-on-Sea
Chess Club**

www.southendchessclub.co.uk



SOUTHEND OPEN

A 7 Round Swiss Tournament open to all.

An ECF Grand Prix and FIDE rated event

PRIZES

£2,000 ; £1,000 ; £500 ; £250

The first prize winner will also hold the MD Speigel Memorial trophy for one year.

BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFICATION

The highest placed eligible player, not already qualified, will be awarded a place in the 2013 British Championship in Torquay. The cost of this place is the player's own responsibility.

GRADING PRIZES

A minimum of £500 to be split according to entries

JUNIOR PRIZE

£150 for the highest scoring player aged under 18 on 01/09/12.

ECF MEMBERSHIP

As this is a FIDE rated event, all English participants must be at least Gold members of the English Chess Federation.

ENTRY FEE

Adult £32 : Junior (Under 18 on 01/09/10) £22.

Free for all GMs, IMs, WGMs and WIMs.

A £4 late fee is payable on entries postmarked (or otherwise sent) after 18/03/13 plus a further £4 for entries on 29/03/13.

BYES

One ½ point bye is available, this may be taken in any round (including the last) and must be requested on the entry form.

RATE OF PLAY

40 moves in 2 hours, then all remaining moves in 1 hour.

HOURS OF PLAY

Round	1	Friday	9:30am-3:30pm
	2	Friday	4:30pm-10:30pm
	3	Saturday	9:30am-3:30pm
	4	Saturday	4:30pm-10:30pm
	5	Sunday	9:30am-3:30pm
	6	Sunday	4:30pm-10:30pm
	7	Monday	9:30am-3:30pm

MAJOR / INTERMEDIATE / MINOR

Five round tournaments, playing from Saturday March 30th - Monday April 1st.
All events will be included in the ECF Grand Prix.

MAJOR (For players graded under 180)

Prizes: £300, £150, £100

Entry Fee: Adults £31, Junior £21

INTERMEDIATE (For players graded under 150)

Prizes: £200, £100, £50

Entry Fee: Adults £26, Junior £16

MINOR (For players graded under 120)

Prizes: £200, £100, £50

Entry Fee: Adults £26, Junior £16

NB. 'Junior' is a person under 18 on 01/09/12. A £4 late fee is payable on entries postmarked (or otherwise sent) after 18/03/13 plus a further £4 for entries on 30/03/13.

BYES

One ½ point bye is available, this may be taken in any round (including the last) and must be requested on the entry form.

RATE OF PLAY

40 moves in 2 hours, then remaining moves in 30 minutes.

HOURS OF PLAY

Round	1	Saturday	10:00am-3:00pm
	2	Saturday	4:00pm-9:00pm
	3	Sunday	10:00am-3:00pm
	4	Sunday	4:00pm-9:00pm
	5	Monday	10:00am-3:00pm

ESSEX CHAMPIONSHIP

The highest placed eligible competitor in the Open will be awarded the title of Essex Champion for 2012 - 2013

The highest placed eligible player in competitor in the Open graded under 160 will be awarded the title of Essex Under 160 Champion for 2012-13

ENTRY FORM

Send to: John Chapman, 55 Wedgwood Way,
Rochford, Essex SS4 3AS. (Please make cheques payable to Southend-on-Sea Chess Congress)

Surname.....

Forename.....

Address.....

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.....Postcode.....

Email.....

Club.....

Date of Birth.....

Current ECF Grade FIDE Rating

(If not ECF graded or FIDE rated, give details of playing strength)

ECF Membership No

(English players in the Southend Open must be Gold ECF members or higher)

If ½ point bye required, state which round

I enclose entry for:

Southend Open £32 (Junior £22) £.....

Major £31 (Junior £21) £.....

ECF Silver members or higher may deduct £6, (Junior £4)

Intermediate £26 (Junior £16) £.....

ECF Silver members or higher may deduct £6, (Junior £4)

Minor £26 (Junior £16) £.....

ECF Silver members or higher may deduct £6, (Junior £4)

Late entry fee £.....

(£4 after 18/03/13 plus an additional £4 for entries on the day)

Donation (Thank you) £.....

Total enclosed £.....

If a receipt is required please tick box and enclose s.a.e: