



## ECF Secondary School Chess News

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### National Schools Chess Championship

This year's U19 National Schools championship is coming towards its completion, with 8 teams having qualified for the finals – four in the Championship and four in the Plate. The finals will be at Uppingham School on July 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>.

The National Girls' U19 championship has been won by Nonsuch School, Cheam in finals held at St Catherine's Bramley during the Easter holidays.



*U19 Girls National School Champions 2014  
Nonsuch School, Surrey*

### Team Chess Challenge



*British Chess Champion GM David Howell taking on 10 of the top schools in the country in a clock simultaneous.*

The first winners of Team Chess Challenge were Manchester Grammar School who won the finals held at Imperial College in April.

Also at this event the British Chess Champion GM David Howells played simultaneously against the finalists. Congratulations to Eltham College who held him to a draw, whilst the other 9 schools lost.

2014/15 ECF Team Chess Challenge is now taking shape and information about Regional Finals are available [here](#). Please do contact your local hosts to enter the event. However I do hope to have more regional finals and fill in some gaps in the country. If you would be willing to consider hosting such an event please [contact me](#) and I will give you more information.

### Secondary School Leagues

Thank you to those who have sent me details about the secondary school events in their county. Sussex Junior Chess have written full reports about their three events for [U18](#), [U16](#) and [U14](#) school teams on the hyperlinked pages.

Other secondary school leagues took place in [Surrey](#), [Oxfordshire](#) and Birmingham. Please [let me](#) know if there was an event in your area not listed here.



*Bishop Bell School won the Sussex U16 championship*

### ECF Afternoon Chess Tournaments



Another [ECF Afternoon tournament](#) was held at Wilson's School on 9<sup>th</sup> May and was again popular, particular with schools who do not yet regularly play against other schools.

If any school would like help in planning and running such an event please do not hesitate to contact me using the email address above.

## **ECF One day rapid play team events**

Local one day events were organized in March but there were not as many entrants as hoped, and one was cancelled. Congratulations to Hampton School on winning the ECF Surrey rapidplay.

The annual [Eton one day event](#) in September has again provide very popular with 19 schools already having entered. If you as thinking of entering please do as soon as possible to avoid disappointment as places are limited.

## **Calendar of Secondary School chess team events 2014**

### **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July: 4.30 to 6.30 pm**

Wilson's School, Wallington

ECF afternoon event for teams of 4 players

Contact [Neill Cooper](#)

Open to any secondary school.

### **Thurs 3 and Fri 4 July,**

Finals of the U19 Open [National Schools](#) Chess Championship [By Qualification Only]

Uppingham School

### **Sunday 14th September**

Eton College,

[ECF Secondary School Chess Tournament](#)

6 board one day school tournament.

Contact [Neill Cooper](#)

### **11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> October 2013**

Millfield School - Millfield International for teams of 12 players

Contact [Matthew Turner](#)

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