



ECF Secondary School Chess News

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ECF National Schools Chess Championship



We are very grateful to Winchester College (U19 Open) and St Catherine's School, Bramley (U19 Girls') for their continued sponsorship of these tournaments.

The U19 Open National Schools champions 2014 are Reading School, who beat the reigning champions Manchester Grammar School on age handicap (the score was 3-3) in the final. Reading are the first English state school for 26 years to be national champions

The separate Girls' U19 event is based on one day rapid play semi-finals between teams of 3 players. Download [the flyer](#) for the Girls' Semi-Finals. Entries are still being taken for this tournament on [the ECF website](#).

Sunday 14th September 2014

Eton College ECF Secondary School Rapid play Chess Tournament was for teams of 6 players. 227 players made up 38 teams representing 29 schools from fourteen counties. Congratulations to winners Haberdashers' Askes.

[Full report on ECF website](#)



Calendar of Secondary School chess team events 2014/2015

Saturday 29th November 2014

King Edward School, Birmingham U18 School's tournament for teams of 8 players
Contact Dominic Tuohey dlt@kes.org.uk – also details attached.

Saturday 7th February 2015

ECF National Schools Chess Championships Last Chance Saloon (North). A One day rapid play event for teams of 6 players at King's School Grantham. Contact Phill Beckett phillipbeckett@yahoo.com Open to any school team not in a national schools zone final.

Sunday 8th February 2015

Wilson's School, Wallington Surrey U18 Schools one day rapid play tournament for teams of 4 players. Contact [Neill Cooper](#)

Sunday 1st March 2015

ECF National Schools Chess Championships Last Chance Saloon (South). A One day rapid play event for teams of 6 players at Eton College. Contact Richard Haddrell richardhaddrell@gmail.com Open to any school team not in a national schools zone final.

Sunday 22nd March 2015

Sevenoaks School, Kent U18 Schools one day rapid play tournament for teams of 4 players.
Contact Yingxu Yin yxy@Sevenoaksschool.org

Team Chess Challenge

2014/15 ECF Team Chess Challenge is now taking shape and information about Regional Finals are available [here](#) and in the table below. These are afternoon events for teams of 4 players so they are ideal entry events for schools wanting to start playing inter-school chess. Please do contact your local hosts to enter the event.

Region	Host School	Date	Time	Contact
North West	Bolton School	Thurs 6 Nov	1pm	Paul Costello
South Manchester	Stockport Grammar School	Wed 19th Nov	1.30pm	Greig Frankland
North East	Durham Johnston	Wed 26th Nov	3pm	Steve McArdle
West Midlands	King Edward VI Camp Hill	Wed 5th Nov	4pm	Andrew Rogers
East Midlands	Kings School, Grantham	Wed 12th Nov	4.15pm	Phillip Beckett
Oxford	Magdalen College School	Thurs 12th Feb 2015	4.30pm	John Place
Suffolk	Woodbridge School	Mon 17th Nov	4.15pm	Adam Hunt
North London	Claremont High School Academy	Wed 12th Nov	4pm	Sural Bhanshaly
South London	Wilson's School	Wed 19th Nov	4pm	Neill Cooper
West London	Eton College	Tues 3rd Feb 2015	4pm	Justin Moston
Central London	Westminster School	Thurs 13th Nov	4pm	Michael Davies
West	Bristol GS	Mon 17th Nov	4pm	Graham Iwi
Kent	King's, Canterbury	Thurs 6th Nov	2pm	Jon Hutchings
South West	Torquay Boys Grammar School	Wed 11th Feb 2015 (provisional)		Trefor Thynne
Northern Ireland	Bangor Grammar School	Mon 17th Nov		Andrew Todd
Others				

National Final: Imperial College Maths Department Wednesday 22nd April 2015

I hope to have more regional finals in Spring 2015. If you would be willing to consider hosting such an event please [contact me](#) and I will give you more information.

Secondary School Leagues 2014/15

Leagues this season are being run in [Surrey](#), Birmingham, [Sussex](#), [Oxon](#) and [Brent](#). Let me know if there is one in your area.

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