

ELECTION ADDRESS BY ALEX HOLOWCZAK, STANDING FOR RE-ELECTION AS DIRECTOR OF HOME CHESS

Who I am

I am a 23-year old student from the West Midlands, and have served as Director of Home Chess for 1 year. I work as a self-employed chess coach in the West Midlands area.

Experience

- ECF: Director of Home Chess (2012 –), Alternate Director of Home Chess (2010 – 2012), Manager of the Counties Championship (2011 – 2012)
- 4NCL: Board Member (2011 –), Game Inputter (2011 –)
- British Universities' Chess Association: President (2010 –)
- Warwickshire Chess Association: Junior Secretary (2010 – 2012), Secretary (2012 –)
- Birmingham League: Chairman of the Rapidplay Committee (2011 –), Chairman of the Summer League Committee (2012 –)
- Cannock League: President (2012 –)
- International Arbiter (2012)

What I want to do

- Re-format the National Club Championships, from a knockout tournament to a weekend-long team Swiss competition.
- Continue to develop the online grading database, and league management software with a view to increasing its use nationally
- Continue to review the effectiveness of the most recent changes to the grading system.
- Develop, in liaison with the Unions, a better process for the transfer of counties from the Union Stage to the Final Stage of the County Championship..
- Review the current ECF Arbiter regulations, with a view to making modifications if felt necessary.

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