# ENGLISH CHESS FEDERATION (a company limited by guarantee) INDEX TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FROM 1 MAY 2012 TO 31 AUGUST 2013

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#### **COMPANY INFORMATION**

Registered Office The Watch Oak

Chain Lane

Battle

East Sussex TN33 0YD

In England & Wales

A Company limited by Guarantee

Company Number 5293039

**Directors** P Ehr (Chief Executive)

D Eustace (Finance)

A R Holowczak (Home Chess) D K Openshaw (International)

L Cooper (Junior Chess & Education)

D R Thomas (Membership)
J Clissold (Non-Executive)
S D Hewitt (Non-Executive)

**Secretary** J A Philpott

Bankers NatWest Bank Havelock Road

> Hastings East Sussex TN34 1BW

**Auditors** Goatcher Chandler

Chartered Accountants

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& Registered Auditor 10 Overcliffe

Gravesend

Kent

**DA11 0EF** 

#### **DIRECTORS' REPORT**

The directors present herewith the accounts for the sixteen month from 1<sup>st</sup> May 2012 to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2013. The 2012 Annual General Meeting approved the change in the financial year end from 30 April to 31 August in order to align the financial year with the membership year, and the present accounts have therefore been prepared for a 16 month period.

#### **Principal Activities**

The principal activities of the company are to encourage the study and practice of chess in England, to maintain the British Chess Championships, and to promote national and international chess tournaments in England.

#### **Directors**

The following served as directors during the period:

G A Caller (to 13 October 2012)

L C Cooper (to 15 September 2012)

C J de Mooi (to 8 September 2012)

R J Edwards (from 13 October 2012)

P C Ehr

A P Farthing (to 13 October 2012)

M J Gunn

S D Hewitt (from 15 September 2012)

A R Holowczak (from 13 October 2012)

C J Mattos (from 13 October 2012)

D K Openshaw (from 20 November 2012)

A N Raoof (to 13 October 2012)

JTJRudd

D R Thomas (from 12 May 2013)

J Wickham (to 13 October 2012)

T W Woolgar (to 13 October 2012)

#### **Alternate Directors**

S D Hewitt – alternate for L C Cooper (from 2 June 2012 to 15 September 2012)

A R Holowczak – alternate for A N Raoof (to 12 October 2012)

N D Short – alternate for C J de Mooi (to 8 September 2012)

#### Changes to Directors since the end of the period

Following the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting on 12 October 2013, R J Edwards, M J Gunn, C J Mattos and J T J Rudd ceased to be directors and J L Clissold, L C Cooper, D Eustace and A Paulson were appointed. A Paulson resigned as a director on 8 March 2014.

#### Statement of directors' responsibilities

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that year. In preparing those financial statements the directors are required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.
- Prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

#### Statement as to disclosure of information to auditors

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant information (as defined by section 418 of the Companies Act 2006) of which the company's auditors are unaware, and each director has taken all the steps that he ought to have taken as a director in order to make himself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditors are aware of that information.

#### Small company exemptions

The directors have taken advantage of the exemptions conferred by Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 and have done so on the grounds that in their opinion the company is entitled to the exemptions as a small company.

#### **Auditors**

The auditors, Goatcher Chandler, were reappointed as auditors at the Annual General Meeting on 12 October 2013.

#### By order of the board

J A Philpott Company Secretary 12 April 2014

# REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ENGLISH CHESS FEDERATION

We have audited the financial statements of the English Chess Federation for the period ended 31 August 2013 on pages 6 to 10. These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out therein and the requirements of the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with sections 495 and 496 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to any one other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

#### Respective responsibilities of the directors and auditors

As described on page 3, the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with the relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland).

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006. We also report to you whether, in our opinion, the Directors' Report is inconsistent with the financial statements, if the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information required by law regarding directors' remuneration and other transactions is not disclosed.

We read the Directors' Report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

#### Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient

evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion, we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

#### **Opinion**

In our opinion:-

- the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31<sup>st</sup> August 2013, and of its surplus for the period then ended;
- the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with United Kingdom generally accepted accounting practice
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006; and
- the information given in the Directors' Report is consistent with the financial statements.

Clifford Chandler (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of Goatcher Chandler
Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditor
10 Overcliffe
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**April 2014** 

# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

		2012-13 £	2011-12 £
Turnover	2	706,362	295,933
Expenditure		<u>695,311</u> 11,051	302,475 (6,542)
Bank interest received		4	3
Gross Surplus/(Deficit) on ordinary ad	ctivities	11,055	(6,539)
Balance brought forward		(21,194)	(14,655)
Balance carried forward		(10,139)	(21,194)

#### **BALANCE SHEET**

		2012-13 £	2011-12 £
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Fixed Assets	3	2,454	3,885
Stock		-	1,389
Debtors	4	81,386	71,896
Cash at Bank and in Hand		132,372	123,637
Current Assets		213,758	196.922
Creditors falling due within 1 year	5	(187,361)	(183,011)
Net Current Assets		26,397	13,911
Net Assets		28,851	17,796
Represented by:			
Profit and loss account (see page 6)		(10,139)	(21,194)
Reserves	6	38,990	38,990
		28,851	17,796

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to the small companies regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006.

These financial statements were approved by the board of directors on and signed on its behalf by:

12 April 2014

David Eustace Director

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### 1. Accounting Policies

The following accounting policies have been used consistently in dealing with items which are considered significant in relation to the company's financial statements and there have been no material changes during the period.

**Accounting Convention** - The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008) and under the historical cost convention.

**Turnover** - Turnover represents the sales of services, subscriptions and grants received excluding value added tax. Turnover is recognised in the accounting period to which it relates. Turnover related to specific events and the expenditure related to that event is recognised in the financial year in which the final day of that event falls.

**Expenditure** - Expenditure represents the directly attributable costs of providing goods and services.

**Stocks** - Stocks are valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value, after making allowance for obsolete and slow moving items. The write-off of slow moving and obsolete stock is recognised as expenditure and is disclosed in Note 2 on page 10.

**Recognition of fixed assets -** Non-current assets are initially recognised at the purchase price plus all directly attributable costs of bringing the asset into service.

**Depreciation on fixed assets -** Depreciation is provided on a straight line basis in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life as follows:-

- Computer Equipment 5 years
- Office Equipment 3 years
- Chess Equipment 5-10 years

Assets acquired from the British Chess Federation were fully depreciated at the start of the financial year. No value is recognised in the accounts for these assets.

**Events that have not yet commenced or have not been completed** - Entry fees and other payments received are recognised at the point that the event is completed. Where cash has been received for an event that had not commenced or has not been finished at year end, this is recognised as a liability to the ECF and is included as accrued income. Likewise, where payments have been made for an event that has not commenced or is not complete at year-end this is recognised as an asset to the ECF and is included as a prepayment.

**Subscriptions** - Members' subscriptions are credited when received, but a provision has been made in the accounts for subscriptions paid in advance for future years.

**Operating Leases -** Payments made under operating leases are charged to expenditure in equal amounts in accordance with the terms of the lease. Amounts owing under operating leases due in 2012-13 are disclosed in Note 8 on page 10.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

	2012-13 £	2011-12 £
2. Operating Profit Operating profit is stated after crediting:		
Bank interest	4	3
and after charging		
Auditors' Remuneration	1,750	1,575
Depreciation	1,431	2,495
3. Fixed Assets		
Cost	<b>17</b> 222	
Brought forward	17,630	14,307
Additions during period	47.000	3,323
Total	17,630	17,630
Depreciation		
Depreciation Brought forward	13,745	11,250
Charged in year	1,431	2,495
Total	15,176	13,745
Total	10,170	10,710
Net Book Value	2,454	3,057
4. Debtors		
Unfinished events	45,643	50,562
Other prepayments	5,129	3,854
Other debtors	30,614	17,480
Total	81,386	71,896

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

	2012-13 £	2011-12 £
6. Creditors		
Creditors and accrued expenses Creditors - English Championship	43,853	23,574
prize	14,000	18,000
Subscriptions received in advance	62,560	19,261
Unfinished events	46,948	82,176
Loan from John Robinson Trust	-	20,000
Loan from Chess Centre Limited	20,000	20,000
Total	187,361	183,011
7. Reserves		
Legacies fund	35,578	35,578
Alexander Prize Fund	1,330	1,330
General Fund transferred from BCF	2,082	2,082
Total	38,990	38,990
8. Operating Leases The ECF has two non-land operating leases Expiring:		
Within one year	tbc	966
Within two to five years	tbc	5,500
Over five years	-	5,500
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#### 9. Honoraria

During the period covered by these accounts the English Chess Federation made payments to the following non-staff members.

R J Haddrell

D Eustace

All payments were made for services provided to the English Chess Federation.

#### 10. Directors' Interests

The Directors are all officers of the British Chess Federation (an unincorporated body) and most hold offices in various regional and county chess associations.