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CCS Midweek FIDE Evening Blast @ John Keble Church, Edgware, London HA8 9NS

Jul 22 @ 6:30 pm – Jul 27 @ 10:30 pm

Contact: Rob Willmoth Email: rob@chesscoachingservices.net Web: <https://www.chesscoachingservices.net/online-payments/> [MAP]

This is a five round weekday evening event on Sunday 22nd, Monday 23rd, Wednesday 25th, Thursday 26th, Friday 27th July. Each player will play 5 FIDE-rated games. Sections – FIDE-rated Over 2000, FIDE-rated 1850 to 1999, FIDE-rated 1700 to 1849, FIDE-rated 1550 to 1699, Under 1550 | [Entry form](#)



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British Chess Championships 2018 @ Hull City Hall, Queen Victoria Square, Carr Lane, Hull HU1 3RQ

Jul 27 – Aug 5 all-day

Contact: Kevin Staveley Email: manager.british@englishchess.org.uk Web: <http://www.britishchesschampionships.co.uk/> [MAP]

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1st Kingston Rapidplay Chess Tournament @ Richard Mayo Centre Kingston United Reformed Church Eden Street Kingston KT1 1HZ

Jul 28 @ 10:30 am – 6:00 pm



Contact: Edward Mospan Email: kingstonchessrapidplay@gmail.com
Web: <http://www.kingstonchess.org.uk> [MAP] | [Entry form](#)



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1st Watford Junior (U12) Rapidplay @ West Herts Sports & Social Club 8 Park Avenue Watford WD18 7HP

Jul 30 @ 1:45 pm – 9:30 pm

Contact: Roger Lancaster Email: contact@watfordchessclub.org Web [MAP]

6 round Under 12 (ages as at 1/1/2018) Rapidplay, each player having 30 minutes to complete all his/her moves in each game. First prize £100. [Entry forms and fuller details can be downloaded from the Watford club website](#) | [Entry form](#)

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Hendon First Thursday Blitz @ Golders Green Unitarians Church, 31½ Hoop Lane, London NW11 8BS

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Aug 2 all-day



Contact: Adam Raoof Email: adamraoof@gmail.com Web: www.hendonchessclub.com [MAP]
Time control : G10 (all in ten minutes each); Swiss 6 round Open (one section)

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Irish Championships 2018 First Weekend @ The Talbot Hotel, Stillorgan, Dublin

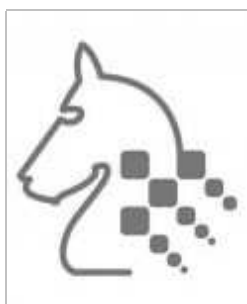
Aug 3 @ 7:30 pm – Aug 5 @ 7:00 pm

Contact: John McMorrow Email: chairperson@icu.ie Web: <https://www.icu.ie/events/990> [MAP]
Open to all – entries from abroad do not require any membership | Entry form

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Golders Green FIDE Rapid Chess Tournament @ St Luke's Church in Kidderpore Avenue, London NW3 7SU

Aug 4 @ 10:30 am – 5:45 pm



Contact: Adam Raoof Email: adamraoof@gmail.com
Web: <http://www.goldersgreenchess.blogspot.co.uk> [MAP]
Five sections based on English Chess Federation Rapidplay grades – Open to All (the strongest section); Under 170 Major; Under 145 Minor; Under 120 Amateur; Under 80 My First Tournament

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Summer Chess League Round 4 @ Battersea Chess Club 81-83 Falcon Road London SW11 2PF

Aug 7 @ 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm

Contact: Leon Watson Email: leonjameswatson@gmail.com Web: <http://www.summerchessleague.org.uk> [MAP]
The SCL is London's lighter league. We are a new league hosted by Battersea Chess Club at their venue near Clapham Junction railway station | Flyer

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2018 Midland Open Championship @ Ramada Telford, Forge Gate, Telford

Aug 10 – Aug 12 all-day

Contact: Alex Holowczak Email: alexholowczak@gmail.com Web: http://www.mccu.org.uk/m_congress/index.htm [MAP]

Irish Championships 2018 Open Weekender @ The Talbot Hotel, Stillorgan, Dublin

Aug 10 @ 7:30 pm – Aug 12 @ 7:00 pm

John McMorrow Email: chairperson@icu.ie Web: <https://www.icu.ie/events/991> [MAP]

An Open FIDE-rated event played over 5 rounds. This event is open to all ages and federations. 1,300 euro prize fund | [Entry form](#)

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64th Hampstead FIDE Congress @ Henderson Court Resource Centre, 102 Fitzjohn's Avenue, Hampstead, London NW3 6NS

Aug 11 @ 10:30 am – Aug 12 @ 5:30 pm



Contact: Adam Raoof Email: adamraoof@gmail.com

Web: <http://www.hampsteadchess.blogspot.co.uk> [MAP]

THREE SECTIONS – Under 2200 & Under 1900 plus a section for players who are graded Under 135 on the ECF list

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Richmond Rapidplay 120 @ Orleans Park School Richmond Road TWICKENHAM TW1 3BB

Aug 12 @ 10:00 am – 5:30 pm

Contact: Paul McKeown Email: richmond_rapidplays@hotmail.com Web: <http://www.rjcc.org.uk/> [MAP] Continuation of famous and long-running series of rapidplay events | [Entry form](#)

Chess in Itter Park @ Itter Park, Fulbridge Road, Walton, Peterborough, Cambridgeshire

Aug 12 @ 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Contact: Francis Bowers Email: chessbower@aol.com Web: <http://www.chessbower.com> [MAP]

Playing chess on a giant chess board with giant pieces. Grandmaster Keith Arkell will be on hand to play games of chess. Winner stays on ...

Split Open 2018 @ Hotel Zagreb, Put Duilova 23 21000 Split, Croatia

Aug 12 @ 6:00 pm – Aug 19 @ 10:00 am

Contact: Mateo Ivić Email: splitchessopen@gmail.com Web: <http://chessclubbrda.eu/en/split-open/> [MAP]

8th Split Chess Open international open chess tournament in the beautiful city of Split. Prize fund – 8000 Euros. 27 prizes – 1st prize 1500 Euros

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Summer Chess League Round 5 @ Battersea Chess Club 81-83 Falcon Road London SW11 2PF

Aug 14 @ 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm

Contact: Leon Watson Email: leonjameswatson@gmail.com Web: <http://www.summerchessleague.org.uk> [MAP]

The SCL is London's lighter league. We are a new league hosted by Battersea Chess Club at their venue near Clapham Junction railway station | [Flyer](#)

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Muswell Hill FIDE WEEKDAY Rapid @ The Clissold Arms, 105 Fortis Green, East Finchley, London

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N2 9HR**Aug 15 @ 10:30 am – 6:00 pm**

Contact: Adam Raoof Email: adamraoof@gmail.com Web: <http://www.muswellhillchess.blogspot.co.uk> [MAP]
£300 in prizes



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Manchester Summer Congress @ Owens Park 293 Wilmslow Road, Manchester M14 6HD**Aug 17 @ 6:45 pm – Aug 19 @ 7:00 pm**

Contact: Harry Lamb Email: gmccacongress@yahoo.co.uk [MAP]

Weekend congress. Three sections. £2800 total prize fund. £500 first prize each section. Free car parking on site. Cafe with tea, coffee and excellent low priced lunches next to the playing hall. Accommodation on site. Five minutes from Manchester's famous curry mile. Excellent dining and night life in city-centre Manchester | [Entry form](#)

49th Thanet Chess Congress @ St George's Church of England Foundation School, Westwood Road, Broadstairs CT10 2LH**Aug 17 @ 7:00 pm – Aug 19 @ 6:30 pm**

Contact: Andrew Flood Email: aflood@sspp.co.uk Web: <http://www.thanetchesscongress.co.uk> [MAP]

– incorporating the Kent Individual Championship. Over £2,300 in prizes; Swiss tournament comprising 5 rounds; 5 sections – Minor 110 & under, Intermediate 130 & under, Major 150 & under, Challengers 170 & under, Open (no grade limits); refreshments & free car parking available at venue; Concessionary charges for Juniors & GM & IM | [Entry form](#)

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Chester-le-Street 'World Cup' Congress @ Park View Community Association, Church Chare, Chester-le-Street, County Durham DH3 3PZ**Aug 18 @ 10:00 am – Aug 19 @ 6:30 pm**

Contact: Tim Wall Email: cls.chesscongress@gmail.com Web: <http://foresthallchess.org.uk> [MAP]

A new, innovative style of 6-round chess congress, held over 2 days. On Day 1, participants play 3 games each in seeded 'World Cup'-style all-play-all groups of 4 players. On Day 2, players qualify for 4 ranked Swiss sections (Kings, Rooks, Bishops & Knights) and play 3 further games. Prizes are awarded in each all-play-all group and each Swiss section. Time control: 60 minutes plus 10 seconds per move. Prize fund: £950 | [Entry form](#)

Docklands Chess Poplar Rapid Tournament @ Langley Hall, St.Nicholas Church Centre, Ettrick Street, Poplar, London E14 0QD**Aug 18 @ 10:30 am – 6:00 pm**

Contact: Norman Went Email: DocklandsChess@yahoo.co.uk Web: <http://www.spanglefish.com/docklandschessclub> [MAP]

Minor Under 130 – Major Under 171. 6 rounds of rapid chess. Half an hour per player per game | [Entry form](#)

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Open Sochi 2018 @ Sochi, Russia

Aug 22 – Aug 26 all-day

Contact: Sergey Email: ccmoiseev@mail.ru Web: <http://opensochi.vphs.ru> [MAP]

The Pedagogical Chess Union invites all chess players in Sochi in August. The Pedagogical Chess Union will organize the Open Sochi 2018 chess festival from August 21 (arrival day) to August 26 (Rapid / departure day) 2018. This project is being held for the third consecutive year.

Within the framework of the chess project, there will be tournaments in classical chess, in rapid chess, as well as a challenge contest.

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12th Steve Boniface Memorial @ Bristol Grammar School (BGS), 6th Form Common Rooms, University Road, Bristol BS8 1SR

Aug 24 @ 6:45 pm – Aug 26 @ 7:30 pm

Contact: Igor Doklestic Email: chessinbristol@gmail.com Web: <https://www.bristolcongress.co.uk/> [MAP]

5 round Swiss tournament with three sections: Open (FIDE rated), Major (U160), Minor (U120). Prizes in all sections. Central Bristol venue. Further information and entry form on the Congress website | [Entry form](#)

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14th Dieppe International Festival @ Casino et Salle des Congrès, Boulevard de Verdun, 76200 Dieppe

Aug 25 – Sep 1 all-day

[Details here](#) [MAP]

54th Berks & Bucks Chess Congress @ St Piran's School, Gringer Hill, Maidenhead, Berkshire SL6 7LZ

Aug 25 – Aug 27 all-day

Contact: Liam Varnam Email: liamvarnam@yahoo.co.uk Web: <http://www.berksandbuckschess.com> [MAP]

Six round Swiss. Sections (usually 12-16 players in each) allocated according to ECF grade. Usually 5-6 sections. Top two sections FIDE-rated, all sections ECF-graded | [Entry form](#)

7th Brainstormchess Junior Rapidplay @ The Rugby Portobello 221 Walmer Road, Holland Park, London W11 4EY

Aug 25 @ 9:00 am – 5:30 pm

Contact: Kishan Pattni Email: kishanpattni84@gmail.com Web: <https://form.jotformeu.com/80987319096370> [MAP]

A London Junior Chess Championship qualifier. All games will be submitted for ECF (rapidplay) grading. There will be an U8, U10, U12 and an Open section suitable for children and adults of all abilities | [Entry form](#)

12th Leyland Chess Congress @ Browndge St Mary's Catholic High School Station Road, Bamber Bridge, Preston

Aug 25 @ 9:30 am – Aug 27 @ 6:00 pm

Contact: David Clayton Email: dgclayton@btinternet.com Web: <http://congress.popmalc.org.uk/congress/35/home> [MAP]

FIDE Open, Major U170, Minor U135

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2018**2018 English Women's Championships @ St Johns Hotel, Solihull**

Aug 31 – Sep 2 all-day

More details to follow ... [MAP]

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2018**Godalming Open Junior Tournament @ Aldro School, Lombard St ,Shackleford, Godalming, Surrey GU86AS**

Sep 1 @ 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Contact: David Archer Email: archerd@aldro.org [MAP]

5 round Swiss with U18, U13, U11, U10 and U9 sections. Trophies and medals for the top players in the younger sections and cash prizes for the top 3 players in the U18 age group. All games will be graded – 30 MINUTES EACH ON THE CLOCKS

| [Entry form](#)**Darnall & Handsworth 3rd FIDE-rated Rapidplay @ Stradbroke Community Centre, Richmond Road, Stradbroke, Sheffield S13 8LT**

Sep 1 @ 10:15 am – 6:15 pm

Contact: Geoff Brown Email: secretary@dhchessclub.co.uk Web: <http://www.dhchessclub.co.uk> [MAP]Rapidplay tournament with four sections: Open, Major (U170), Intermediate (U145), Minor (U120). All sections to be ECF graded and FIDE rated. Prize Fund £850 | [Entry form](#)**Docklands Chess Poplar Rapid Tournament @ Langley Hall, St.Nicholas Church Centre, Etrick Street, Poplar, London E14 0QD**

Sep 1 @ 10:30 am – 6:00 pm

Contact: Norman Went Email: DocklandsChess@yahoo.co.uk Web: <http://www.spanglefish.com/docklandschessclub> [MAP]Minor Under 130 – Major Under 171. 6 rounds of rapid chess. Half an hour per player per game | [Entry form](#)**Maidenhead Junior Club Tournament @ Radstock Lane Community Centre, Radstock Lane, Earley, Reading RG6 5UL**

Sep 1 @ 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm

Contact: Nigel Dennis Email: nigelwdennis@btinternet.com Web: <http://nigelwdennis.wixsite.com/mysite> [MAP]

Beginners section and other sections for more advanced players open to all under the age of 18 | [Entry form](#)



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68th DCCA (Paignton) Congress @ Livermead House Hotel, Torquay TQ2 6QJ

Sep 2 @ 1:45 pm – Sep 8 @ 4:30 pm

Contact: Matthew Wilson Email: mattmrc@hotmail.com Web: <https://dccapaigntonchess.com/> [MAP]

Afternoon 7 round tournament – FIDE rated Open, U180, U150 and U120 – plus 5 round morning tournament U180 and U135 | [Entry form](#)

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Wiltshire 5 Minute Championship @ The Brown Jack Pub 1 Priors Hill Wroughton Swindon Wiltshire SN4 0RT

Sep 3 @ 7:30 pm

Tony Ransom Email: chesssalsa@aol.com [MAP]

There will be one overall tournament with prizes determined by the entry level. All entry fees will be returned as prize money. The entry fee is £3 adults / £1.50 juniors (cash only, NO CHEQUES). Entries will only be accepted on the night, so bring along a completed form. Please arrive between 7.15 and 7.30 to allow for a prompt start. It is expected that there will be 7 rounds, but this will depend on how promptly we can start and size of the entry | [Entry form](#)

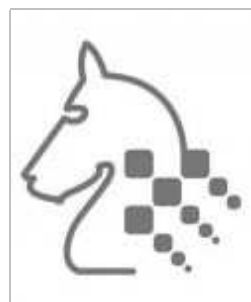
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Hendon First Thursday Blitz @ Golders Green Unitarians Church, 31½ Hoop Lane, London NW11 8BS

Sep 6 all-day



Contact: Adam Raof Email: adamraof@gmail.com Web: www.hendonchessclub.com [MAP]
Time control : G10 (all in ten minutes each); Swiss 6 round Open (one section)

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Leek Congress @ St. Edward's CE Academy, Westwood Road, Leek, Staffs, ST13 8DN

Sep 7 @ 7:00 pm – Sep 9 @ 7:00 pm

Contact: Matthew Carr Email: mattcarr2700@gmail.com [MAP]

FIDE Rated Open Section – open to all players; Major Section – limited to all players graded 160 and under; Minor Section – limited to all players graded 120 and under. Each player will have 110 minutes in which to complete their game with an extra 10 seconds added for each completed move | [Entry form](#)

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2018 British Blitz Championship – Qualifiers @ Belfast, Birmingham, Bristol, Cardiff, Glasgow, London, Manchester, Newcastle

Sep 8 all-day

Contact: Alex Holowczak Email: director.homechess@englishchess.org.uk Web: https://www.englishchess.org.uk/?page_id=43678

The Finals are at a date TBC. There will be eight 15-round qualifying Swiss tournaments played in different cities around the United Kingdom on Saturday, 8th September. Eligible players will be able to enter one qualifying tournament of their choice. The top two players in each qualifier will qualify for the Final in November 2018, played at a date and venue to be announced. The top two female players in each qualifier will qualify for a Women's Final, held concurrently. Both Finals and the qualifiers combined will have a total prize fund in excess of £5,000.

ECF Chess Academy Study Weekend @ TBA

Sep 8 – Sep 9 all-day

ECF Chess Academy Study Weekend for the International Programme (Years 1, 2 and 3) and the Academy Plus Programme (Year 3). Spare places may be available for those not on either the programme who wish to attend as a one off event. These will be advertised on the ECF Juniors website although you may email the ECF Director of Junior Chess directly if you wish. These study weekends are for advanced players.

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1st Peter Poobalasingam Memorial @ Harrow High School, Gayton Road, Harrow

Sep 9 @ 9:30 am – 7:00 pm

Contact: Sarah Longson Email: sarahhegartychess@outlook.com Web: <https://sarahhegartychess.co.uk/product/tournament-entry/> [MAP]

Peter was a fantastic chess player – drawing with World Champion Vishy Anand in a simultaneous display aged 8. Peter won the UK Chess Challenge Terafinal twice. Peter's first IM norm was at the Uxbridge Masters in 2009. Around this time Peter had a remarkable run of nine games against GMs without being defeated. Peter's second IM norm was achieved at the World University Championships with one round to spare. Peter also had some fantastic results for Millfield School. Grandmaster Matthew Turner recalls 2007-08 where Peter was "by far the best player in our team and in the final we were out graded on every board, but his victory on board 1 clinched it for us." We have no doubt Peter would have achieved IM and more but in the latter years of his life he was focusing on his career.

Peter also had a passion for helping juniors and for this reason this event is free for juniors – please email sarahhegartychess@outlook.com for a coupon code



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Bradford Chess Congress @ Latvian Welfare Club Clifton Villas Manningham Bradford BD8 7BY

Sep 14 @ 7:00 pm – Sep 16 @ 6:00 pm

Contact: David Barlow Email: davidbar@blueyonder.co.uk Web: <http://www.bradfordchess.co.uk/bradford-congress-2018.php> [MAP]

3 tournaments — OPEN – open to all players; MAJOR – open to players with a grading of 170 or below; MINOR – open to players with a grading of 135 or below

Disabled players are welcome but please contact the Entries Secretary first for details of facilities available



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2018 UK Chess Challenge Terafinal @ TBC

Sep 15 – Sep 16 all-day

Contact: Sarah Longson Email: sarah@ukchess.co.uk Tel: 07786260301 Web:

<https://www.delanceyuschoolschesschallenge.com>

The Terafinal of the UK Chess Challenge, open to qualifiers from the three Gigafinals

33rd Crowborough Chess Congress @ The Crowborough Community Centre Pine Grove, Crowborough East Sussex TN6 1AR

Sep 15 @ 9:45 am – 5:30 pm

Contact: David Fryer Email: secretary@crowboroughchess.org Web: <http://www.crowboroughchess.org> [MAP]

6 round rapidplay Swiss tournament with 25 minutes per player plus 5 seconds per move from start. One section with grading prizes. ENTRY LIMITED TO PLAYERS RATED BELOW ECF 215 and FIDE 2300 | [Entry form](#)



Maidenhead Junior Club Tournament @ Claires Court Junior Boys School, Cannon Lane, Maidenhead, Berkshire

Sep 15 @ 9:45 am – 12:30 pm

Contact: Nigel Dennis Email: nigelwdennis@btinternet.com Web: <http://nigelwdennis.wixsite.com/mysite> [MAP]

Beginners section and other sections for more advanced players | [Entry form](#)



Golders Green FIDE Rapid Chess Tournament @ St Luke's Church in Kidderpore Avenue, London NW3 7SU

Sep 15 @ 10:30 am – 5:45 pm

Contact: Adam Raoof Email: adamraoof@gmail.com Web: <http://www.goldersgreenchess.blogspot.co.uk> [MAP]

Five sections based on English Chess Federation Rapidplay grades – Open to All (the strongest section); Under 170 Major; Under 145 Minor; Under 120 Amateur; Under 80 My First Tournament

Irish Rapid and Blitz Championships 2018 @ Plaza Suite, Academy Plaza Hotel, Findlater Place,

Dublin 1**Sep 15 @ 11:00 am – Sep 16 @ 3:00 pm**Contact: John McMorro Email: chairperson@icu.ie Web: <https://www.icu.ie/events/1021> [MAP]

The Irish Rapid and Blitz championships are open to anyone with a 2,000 euro prize fund. The Rapid is played over 7 rounds with a time control of 15 minutes + 10 second increment and will be FIDE rated.

The Blitz is played over 11 rounds with a time control of 3 minutes + 2 second increment and will be FIDE rated

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2018**Muswell Hill FIDE Rapid @ The Clissold Arms, 105 Fortis Green, London N2 9HR****Sep 18 @ 10:30 am – 6:00 pm**Contact: Adam Raoof Email: adamraoof@gmail.com Web: <http://www.muswellhillchess.blogspot.co.uk> [MAP]

Three FIDE rated sections – OPEN, Under 160 and Under 120

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2018**Delancey UK Schools Northern Challengers @ Cunard Building, Brunswick Street, Liverpool L3 1AH****Sep 22 @ 9:00 am – 6:45 pm**Contact: Tim Wall Email: timpeterwall@gmail.com Web: <https://www.delanceyukschoolschesschallenge.com/> [MAP]

The Delancey UK Schools Chess Challenge is proud to present its prestigious '2018 Northern Challengers' event. Children in all sections (from Under 7s to Under 18s) qualify for the 'Northern Challengers' by scoring 4/6 in one of the 2018 Gigafinals.

In addition, there will be parallel Open tournaments for children of all age groups, from Under 7s to Under 18s. There are no pre-qualifications required to enter these tournaments.

Please note – entry for all events is not possible by email or telephone, only online at

<https://www.delanceyukschoolschesschallenge.com/> | Flyer

**65th Hampstead FIDE Congress @ Henderson Court Resource Centre, 102 Fitzjohn's Avenue, Hampstead, London NW3 6NS****Sep 22 @ 10:30 am – Sep 23 @ 5:30 pm**

Contact: Adam Raoof Email: adamraoof@gmail.com

Web: <http://www.hampsteadchess.blogspot.co.uk> [MAP]

THREE SECTIONS – Under 2200 & Under 1900 plus a section for players who are graded Under 135 on the ECF list

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23**Cambridgeshire Rapidplay @ Whittlesford Memorial Hall, Mill Lane, Whittlesford, Cambridge CB22 4NE**

Sun
2018**Sep 23 @ 10:00 am – 5:30 pm**

Contact: Paul Kemp Email: paulkemp64@gmail.com Web: <http://cambschess.co.uk> [MAP]
Four 5-round rapidplay tournaments – Open, U160, U125, U90. Over £700 in prizes | [Entry form](#)

**ECF Secondary School Chess Tournament @ Eton College, Windsor SL4 6DW****Sep 23 @ 10:30 am – 5:00 pm**

Contact: Neill Cooper Email: nsc@cplusc.co.uk Web: <https://www.englishchess.org.uk/NSCC/u19-open-2/> [MAP]
Teams will consist of 6 players in school years 7 to 13. Schools can enter one or two teams. Squads can have up to 8 players with 6 playing in any match.
5 round Swiss rapidplay tournament. Digital chess clocks: all moves in 20 minutes + 5 sec/move.
Play will be in the spacious school hall; team rooms will be shared and in the maths department | [Flier](#)

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2018**20th 4NCL FIDE Rated Congress @ Park Inn, Nottingham****Sep 28 @ 7:00 pm – Sep 30 @ 7:00 pm**

4NCL FIDE Open, FIDE U2000 (ECF U175), ECF U135. Five rounds Friday 7pm – Sunday 7pm [MAP]

54th Northumberland Chess Congress @ The Parks Leisure Centre, Howdon Road, North Shields, North Tyneside NE26 3BL**Sep 28 @ 7:00 pm – Sep 30 @ 6:30 pm**

Contact: David Watson Email: davidmwatson@blueyonder.co.uk
Web: <http://www.northumberlandchesscongress.webs.com> [MAP]
Three sections over 5 rounds – Open FIDE rated, Major limited to 165 ECF and below, Minor limited to 135 ECF and below. Rate of play all moves in 110 minutes with 10 second increments from the start.
The Foundation – restricted to players of ECF 105 and below and who have never won a main prize in a congress. Ten rounds, rate of play all moves in 1 hour. Play each opponent twice, once with white and once with black | [Entry form](#)

Original Harrogate Chess Congress @ Harrogate Chess Club, 35 Oatlands Drive, Harrogate, North Yorkshire HG2 8PU**Sep 28 @ 7:00 pm – Sep 30 @ 6:00 pm**

Contact: Noel Boustred Email: noelschess@gmail.com Web: <http://noelschess.weebly.com> [MAP]
1st prize in each section has increased to £160.00. Minor U136 & Major U170 using 2018 January grades. At Harrogate chess club with lovely surroundings | [Entry form](#)

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Junior 4NCL @ Mercure Daventry Court Hotel

Sep 29 – Sep 30 all-day

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[\[MAP\]](#)**Norfolk County Chess Championships @ The Tithe Barn Rectory Road Horstead NR12 7EP**

Sep 29 @ 9:30 am – Sep 30 @ 6:00 pm

Contact: John Wickham Email: j.r.wickham@btinternet.com [\[MAP\]](#)Closed event for those born in Norfolk, or those who have been resident for 6 months, or those who are a member of a club registered with NCCA. Must be at least a Bronze ECF member. 5 round Swiss | [Entry form](#)**1st Faversham Rapidplay @ The Alexander Centre, 15-17 Preston Street, Faversham, Kent ME13 8NZ**

Sep 29 @ 10:30 am – 6:45 pm

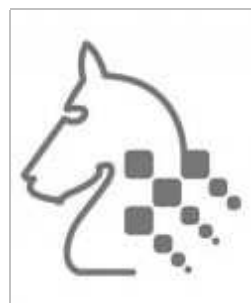
Contact: David Lettington Email: invicta_chess@outlook.com Web: <http://www.invictachess.co.uk> [\[MAP\]](#)6 rounds played at the rate of 25mins for the whole game, plus a 5 second increment from move one. One Open section, but generous grading prizes for U160, U125 and U90. £18 adults, £12 juniors. Very close to Faversham Station (just over an hour by train from London) | [Entry form](#)

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Thu
2018**Hendon First Thursday Blitz @ Golders Green Unitarians Church, 31½ Hoop Lane, London NW11 8BS**

Oct 4 all-day

Contact: Adam Raof Email: adamraoof@gmail.com Web: www.hendonchessclub.com [\[MAP\]](#)

Time control : G10 (all in ten minutes each); Swiss 6 round Open (one section)

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2018**Castle Chess 13th Fareham Congress @ The Lysses House Hotel, 51 High Street, Fareham, Hampshire PO16 7BQ**

Oct 5 @ 7:00 pm – Oct 7 @ 6:00 pm

Contact: Tony Corfe Email: tony@mrcorfe.com Web: <http://www.castlechess.co.uk> [MAP]

6 round event – Open including Premier U175, Major U155 including Intermediate U135, Minor U115 including Challengers U95. Prizes dependent on entries as agreed at players review 2017.

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Maidenhead Junior Club Tournament @ Claires Court Junior Boys School, Cannon Lane, Maidenhead, Berkshire

Oct 6 @ 9:45 am – 12:30 pm

Contact: Nigel Dennis Email: nigelwdennis@btinternet.com Web: <http://nigelwdennis.wixsite.com/mysite> [MAP]

Beginners section and other sections for more advanced players | [Entry form](#)



Docklands Chess Poplar Rapid Tournament @ Langley Hall, St.Nicholas Church Centre, Ettrick Street, Poplar, London E14 0QD

Oct 6 @ 10:30 am – 6:00 pm

Contact: Norman Went Email: DocklandsChess@yahoo.co.uk Web: <http://www.spanglefish.com/docklandschessclub> [MAP]

Minor Under 130 – Major Under 171. 6 rounds of rapid chess. Half an hour per player per game | [Entry form](#)

Pennine Cup @ Ackworth School, Ackworth, Pontefract, West Yorkshire WF7 7LT

Oct 6 @ 10:30 am – 6:30 pm

Contact: Tim Wall Email: timpeterwall@gmail.com Web: <http://www.nccu.org.uk/> [MAP]

A one-day, 3-round jamboree tournament for Under 16 teams of 8 players organised by the Northern Counties Chess Union.

The winning team will be awarded the prestigious Pennine Cup and individual medals. Time control: 50 mins each for all moves, plus an increment of 10 seconds per move. Games will be submitted for ECF Standard Play grading | [Entry form](#)

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Eton College LJCC Qualifying Event + U18 Open @ Eton College, Windsor, Berkshire SL4 6DW

Oct 7 @ 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Contact: Nick Pert Email: fleetchess@gmail.com Web: <https://www.picatic.com/eton-oct18> [MAP]

LJCC qualifying tournament & training day with GM Nick Pert. U18 Open, U12, U10, U8 and improvers sections

Leicester HE Atkins Memorial Rapidplay @ Leicester Grammar School London Road Great Glen Leicester LE8 9FL

Oct 7 @ 10:00 am – 5:45 pm

Contact: Andy Morley Email: a.morley953@btinternet.com Tel: 0116 2831488/0776 9721980 and for the junior sections Paul Mottram Email: chess@paulmottram.com Tel: 0798 9151175) [MAP]

ECF graded 6 round Swiss rapidplay (20 mins + 10 sec) in Open, U165, U140, U115 and Junior U80/U40 sections. Online entry and full details at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/leicester-he-atkins-memorial-rapidplay-sunday-7th-october-2018->

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West Wales 51st Weekend Congress @ The Mercure Swansea Hotel Phoenix Way Llansamlet Swansea SA7 9EG

Oct 12 – Oct 14 all-day

Contact: Les Philpin Email: newsilure@hotmail.com [MAP]

Weekend Congress with Open, Major (U1850 or 150) and Minor (U1500 or 107) sections | [Entry form](#)

53rd Dorset Open Chess Congress @ The Elstead Hotel 12-14 Knyveton Road Bournemouth BH1 3QP

Oct 12 @ 7:00 pm – Oct 14 @ 7:00 pm

Contact: Ian Clark Email: ianclark@dorsetchess.co.uk Web: <http://dorsetchess.co.uk> [MAP]

Open Congress with 4 sections limited to 100 players | [Entry form](#)



Crewe Chess Congress 2018 @ Ibis Styles Hotel, Emperor Way, Crewe CW1 6BD

Oct 12 @ 7:00 pm – Oct 14 @ 6:30 pm

Contact: Les Hall Email: Nevillelayhe@gmail.com Web: <http://www.crewechessclub.co.uk/> Tel: 01270 361747 [MAP]

We are once again holding our popular 5 round Swiss tournament, with 4 sections – Open, U165 Major, U135 Inter, U105 Minor | [Flyer](#)



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4NCL Rapidplay @ Bedford Park Inn

Oct 13 – Oct 14 all-day

[MAP]

Golders Green FIDE Rapid Chess Tournament @ St Luke's Church in Kidderpore Avenue, London NW3 7SU

Oct 13 @ 10:30 am – 5:45 pm

Contact: Adam Raof Email: adamraoof@gmail.com Web: <http://www.goldersgreenchess.blogspot.co.uk> [MAP]



Five sections based on English Chess Federation Rapidplay grades – Open to All (the strongest section); Under 170 Major; Under 145 Minor; Under 120 Amateur; Under 80 My First Tournament

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Hampshire Junior Congress @ New Hall, Winchester College, Wharf Hill, Winchester, Hampshire SO23 9NF

Oct 14 @ 9:00 am – 5:30 pm

Contact: John Upham Email: john.upham@zen.co.uk Web: <https://www.picatic.com/hjcacongress> [MAP]
25 minutes each for all moves. Age groups will be combined into playing sections and notified before round 1 ...

Richmond Rapidplay 121 @ Orleans Park School Richmond Road TWICKENHAM TW1 3BB

Oct 14 @ 10:00 am – 5:30 pm

Contact: Paul McKeown Email: richmond_rapidplays@hotmail.com Web: <http://www.rjcc.org.uk/> [MAP] Continuation of famous and long-running series of rapidplay events | Entry form

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Muswell Hill FIDE Rapid @ The Clissold Arms, 105 Fortis Green, London N2 9HR

Oct 16 @ 10:30 am – 6:00 pm

Contact: Adam Raoof Email: adamraoof@gmail.com Web: <http://www.muswellhillchess.blogspot.co.uk> [MAP]
Three FIDE rated sections – OPEN, Under 160 and Under 120

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Dundee Congress @ University of Dundee Chaplaincy Centre, Cross Row, Dundee DD1 4HN

Oct 19 @ 7:00 pm – Oct 21 @ 6:00 pm

Contact: Keith Rose Email: director@dundee-congress.co.uk Web: <http://www.dundee-congress.co.uk> [MAP]
Open, Major, Minor tournaments – entry fees £27.00, £24.00, £24.00. Prize fund £1500+ | Entry form

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Aldro Inter Schools team tournament @ Aldro School, Shackleford Godalming, Surrey GU86AS

Oct 20 @ 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Contact: David Archer Email: archerd@aldro.org [MAP]
3 round Swiss team tournament for school teams of 4 players arranged in order of ability. U13, U11 and U9 age group sections. Minor sections for B teams if required. Medals will be awarded to the top 3 teams in each section and trophies to the winners | Entry form

36th Bury St Edmunds Congress @ The Apex, Charter Square, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk IP33 3FD

Oct 20 @ 9:30 am – Oct 21 @ 6:30 pm

Contact: John Wickham Email: j.r.wickham@btinternet.com Web: <http://www.bsecongress.org.uk> [MAP]
5 round Swiss, 4 sections – Open, Major U170, Inter U140, Minor U110



CSC Newham Chess Tournament @ The Old Town Hall 29 Broadway Newham London

Oct 20 @ 10:00 am – 6:45 pm

Contact: Richard Harding Email: richard@chessinschools.co.uk Web: <http://chessinschools.co.uk> [MAP]

CSC Newham Chess Tournament FREE for residents of Newham. 6 round Rapidplay 20 mins + 10 secs per move. Open, U140, U80 ECF



Holmfirth Junior Chess Day @ Uppertong Junior School, Burnlee Road Holmfirth West Yorkshire HD9 2LE

Oct 20 @ 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Contact: Peter Cloudsdale Email: cloudsdale_c@hotmail.co.uk Web: <http://www.whiterosechessacademy.org.uk>

For ages 6-18 for all levels of ability. Training by E C F Coaches including Lateefah Messam-Sparks from London. A mixture of training with a competition split into 3 sections. The main aim is to enjoy chess and develop the area as few juniors at present | Entry form



Yorkshire Junior Chess Day @ Uppertong Junior School, Burnlee Road Holmfirth West Yorkshire HD9 2LE

Oct 20 @ 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Contact: Peter Cloudsdale Email: cloudsdale_c@hotmail.co.uk Web: <http://www.whiterosechessacademy.org.uk> [MAP]

For ages 6 – 18 at all levels of ability. Training by ECF Coaches including Lateefah Messam-Sparks from London. A mixture of training with a competition split into 3 sections. The main aim – to enjoy chess and develop the area for junior chess | Entry form

66th Hampstead FIDE Congress @ Henderson Court Resource Centre, 102 Fitzjohn's Avenue, Hampstead, London NW3 6NS

Oct 20 @ 10:30 am – Oct 21 @ 5:30 pm

Contact: Adam Raoof Email: adamraoof@gmail.com Web: <http://www.hampsteadchess.blogspot.co.uk> [MAP]

THREE SECTIONS – Under 2200 & Under 1900 plus a section for players who are graded Under 135 on the ECF list

Chess.com Isle of Man International @ Villa Marina Harris Promenade Douglas Isle of Man

Oct 20 @ 2:30 pm – Oct 28 @ 10:30 pm

Contact: Alan Ormsby Email: masters@iominternationalchess.com Web: <http://iominternationalchess.com/> [MAP]

174 players expected from around 35 countries, including 9 of the world's top 12 players on the July FIDE rating list. Entries closed with a long waiting list | [Terms & conditions](#)



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44th Guernsey International Chess Festival @ Peninsula Hotel Les Dicqs Vale Guernsey GY6 8JP

Oct 21 @ 2:00 pm – Oct 27 @ 12:00 pm

Contact: Peter Rowe Email: samthechess@yahoo.com Web: <http://www.guernseychessclub.org.gg/festival/festival.htm>
[MAP]

Open and Holiday Tournaments, 7 round Swiss FIDE-rated, with one game per day. The final day (Saturday) includes a prize-giving dinner, which is free for players | [Leaflet](#)

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42nd Scarborough Chess Congress @ The Ocean Room, Spa Complex South Bay Scarborough YO11 2HD

Oct 26 @ 6:45 pm – Oct 28 @ 6:15 pm

Contact: Maggie Butterworth Email: scarboroughchess@gmail.com Web: <http://www.scarboroughchesscongress.org.uk>
[MAP]

5 round weekend congress with 5 sections for players of all abilities. Includes the Yorkshire Championship | [Entry form](#)

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4NCL International Congress @ Park Inn Telford, Forgegate, Telford TF3 4NA

Oct 31 – Nov 4 all-day

Contact: Mike Truran Email: mike@truranfamily.co.uk Web: <http://www.4ncl.co.uk>

[MAP]

GM norm FIDE-rated Open; FIDE-rated U2050; FIDE-rated U1825; ECF U120 | [Entry form](#)

4NCL International Congress @ Park Inn, Telford

Oct 31 – Nov 4 all-day

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Hendon First Thursday Blitz @ Golders Green Unitarians Church, 31½ Hoop Lane, London NW11 8BS

Nov 1 all-day

Contact: Adam Raoof Email: adamraoof@gmail.com Web: www.hendonchessclub.com [MAP]

Time control : G10 (all in ten minutes each); Swiss 6 round Open (one section)

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55th Hull Chess Congress @ Hymers College Hymers Avenue Hull HU31LW

Nov 2 @ 7:00 pm – Nov 4 @ 5:30 pm

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Contact: Steve King Email: president@hullchess.com Web: <http://www.hullchess.com> [MAP]
Entry fee £30 ECF Silver or above, £37.50 non-ECF. Prize money £3000. 1st prize £350, 2nd prize £200, 3rd prize £100. 2 x £50 grading prize all sections. Open (open to all); Major (Under 166); Intermediate (Under 141); Minor (Under 116)

Hampshire Congress 2018 – NEW VENUE @ Lysses House Hotel, 51 High Street, Fareham, Hampshire PO16 7BQ

Nov 2 @ 7:00 pm – Nov 4 @ 6:00 pm

Contact: Gillian Moore Email: congressentry@hampshirechess.co.uk Web: <http://www.hampshirechess.co.uk> [MAP]
Open, Major (Under 160), Minor (Under 125) Grading Prizes and £100 Best Game Prize | Entry form



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Sixth Witney Weekend Congress @ Cokethorpe School, Witney OX29 7PU

Nov 3 – Nov 4 all-day

Contact: Mike Truran Email: mike@truranfamily.co.uk Web: <http://www.witneychess.co.uk/> [MAP]
Sponsored by Cokethorpe School. There are four main sections: Open, U170, U145 and U120, with a prize fund of over £1900

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19th Royal Beacon Seniors Congress @ Royal Beacon Hotel, Exmouth

Nov 5 @ 1:00 pm – Nov 9 @ 4:00 pm

Contact: RH Jones Email: jones_r53@sky.com Web: <http://keverelchess.com> [MAP]
Seniors Congress, Monday – Friday. 'Junior' Section (50 – 64) & Seniors (65+). Links up with the Torbay Congress to make a South Devon Chess Festival – 10 games in 7 consecutive days of chess at 2 excellent seaside hotel venues.

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Torbay Chess Congress @ Livermead House Hotel, Torbay Road, Seafont, Torquay TQ2 6RH

Nov 9 @ 7:00 pm – Nov 11 @ 7:00 pm

Contact: Phil McConnell Email: secretary@torbaycongress.com Web: <http://www.torbaycongress.com> [MAP]
Four sections – Open, U170, U140, U120. Five rounds. Doors open 6.30pm Friday 9th November

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4NCL Weekend 1 Rounds 1-2

Nov 10 – Nov 11 all-day

Divisions 1 & 2 De Vere Staverton Estate; Division 3 North Mercure Bolton Georgian House

ECF Chess Academy Study Weekend @ TBA

Nov 10 – Nov 11 all-day

ECF Chess Academy Study Weekend for the International Programme (Years 1, 2 and 3) and the Academy Plus

Programme (Year 3). Spare places may be available for those not on either the programme who wish to attend as a one off event. These will be advertised on the ECF Juniors website although you may email the ECF Director of Junior Chess directly if you wish. These study weekends are for advanced players.

Golders Green FIDE Rapid Chess Tournament @ St Luke's Church in Kidderpore Avenue, London NW3 7SU
Nov 10 @ 10:30 am – 5:45 pm



Contact: Adam Raoof Email: adamraoof@gmail.com Web: <http://www.goldersgreenchess.blogspot.co.uk> [MAP]
 Five sections based on English Chess Federation Rapidplay grades – Open to All (the strongest section); Under 170 Major; Under 145 Minor; Under 120 Amateur; Under 80 My First Tournament

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Muswell Hill FIDE Rapid @ The Clissold Arms, 105 Fortis Green, London N2 9HR

Nov 13 @ 10:30 am – 6:00 pm

Contact: Adam Raoof Email: adamraoof@gmail.com Web: <http://www.muswellhillchess.blogspot.co.uk> [MAP]
 Three FIDE rated sections – OPEN, Under 160 and Under 120

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4NCL Weekend 1 Rounds 1-2

Nov 17 – Nov 18 all-day

Divisions 3 & 4 South Mercure Daventry Court

Girls Junior Chess Day @ Archbishop C E Junior School .Copmanthorpe Lane, Bishopthorpe York
North Yorkshire YO23 2QT

Nov 17 @ 9:30 am – 3:45 pm

Contact: Peter Cloudsdale Email: cloudsdale_c@hotmail.co.uk Web: <http://whiterosejuniorchessacademy.org.uk> [MAP]
 Training day for all levels of ability including beginners. Led by ECF coach Lateefah Messam-Sparks from London, and other experienced ECF coaches will be available. The day will be a mix of training together with a Swiss competition. The main aim is to organise a Yorkshire Girls Team | Entry form



Docklands Chess Poplar Rapid Tournament @ Langley Hall, St.Nicholas Church Centre, Ettrick Street, Poplar, London E14 0QD

Nov 17 @ 10:30 am – 6:00 pm

Contact: Norman Went Email: DocklandsChess@yahoo.co.uk Web: <http://www.spanglefish.com/docklandschessclub> [MAP]

Minor Under 130 – Major Under 171. 6 rounds of rapid chess. Half an hour per player per game | [Entry form](#)

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4th Annual Lowestoft Rapidplay @ Parkhill Hotel Oulton Lowestoft

Nov 18 @ 9:30 am – 6:15 pm

Contact: Stephen Cotterell Email: stephenjcotterell@aol.com [MAP]

6 round Swiss, 2 sections – Open & U150 | [Entry form](#)

PLEASE NOTE — this event is limited to 40 players only, so timely entry is essential!



Bolton Rapidplay @ Ukrainian Social Club, 99 Castle Street, Bolton BL2 1JP

Nov 18 @ 10:00 am – 6:45 pm

Contact: Rod Middleton Email: roderickmiddleton@yahoo.co.uk [MAP]

3 sections – Open; Major; Knights



Eton College LJCC Qualifying Event + U18 Open @ Wellington College, Dukes Ride, Crowthorne, Berkshire RG45 7PT

Nov 18 @ 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Contact: Nick Pert Email: fleetchess@gmail.com Web: <http://www.picatic.com/wellington-nov18> [MAP]

LJCC qualifying tournament & training day with GM Nick Pert. U18 Open, U12, U10, U8 and improvers sections

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Cambridgeshire County Closed Chess Championships @ Peterborough Bridge Club, New England Complex, Lincoln Road, Peterborough PE1 2PE

Nov 24 @ 10:00 am – Nov 25 @ 10:00 pm

Contact: Francis Bowers Email: chessbower@aol.com Web: <http://www.chessbower.com> [MAP]

5 round seeded Swiss Tournament. All games played on digital clocks, 70 minutes each plus 15 second increment. Entry limited to the first 32 players to enter. Entrants must be a member of a local chess club in the Cambridgeshire League.

Open prize, Under 140 prize, Junior prize | [Entry form](#)

67th Hampstead FIDE Congress @ Henderson Court Resource Centre, 102 Fitzjohn's Avenue, Hampstead, London NW3 6NS

Nov 24 @ 10:30 am – Nov 25 @ 5:30 pm

Contact: Adam Raoof Email: adamraoof@gmail.com Web: <http://www.hampsteadchess.blogspot.co.uk> [MAP]

THREE SECTIONS – Under 2200 & Under 1900 plus a section for players who are graded Under 135 on the ECF list

British Rapidplay Chess Championships @ Craiglands Hotel, Ilkley, West Yorkshire LS29 8RQ

Nov 24 @ 11:00 am – Nov 25 @ 4:30 pm

Contact: Brent Kitson Email: kitson453@btinternet.com Web: <http://www.british-rapidplay.org.uk> [MAP]

10 round Swiss rapidplay under the auspices of the ECF

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2018**Preston Chess Congress @ University Of Central Lancashire, Harrington Refectory, Adelphi Street, Preston PR17BE**

Nov 30 @ 6:30 pm – Dec 2 @ 6:30 pm

Contact: Malcolm Peacock Email: malcolm@popmalc.org.uk Web: <http://chess.popmalc.org.uk/congress> [MAP]

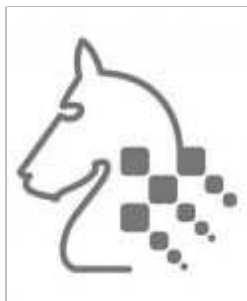
5 round Swiss, FIDE-rated open

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2018**Hendon First Thursday Blitz @ Golders Green Unitarians Church, 31½ Hoop Lane, London NW11 8BS**

Dec 6 all-day

Contact: Adam Raouf Email: adamraouf@gmail.com Web: www.hendonchessclub.com [MAP]

Time control : G10 (all in ten minutes each); Swiss 6 round Open (one section)

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2018**National Prep School Rapidplay @ Aldro School Lombard St. Shackleford Godalming GU8 6AS**

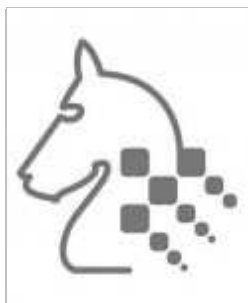
Dec 15 @ 10:15 am

Contact: David Archer Email: archerd@aldro.org [MAP]

5 round Swiss tournament with 5 age groups U13, U12, U11, U10, U9. Open to all players who attend a Preparatory School. Trophies for the winners of each age group and medals for players scoring 3 points or more. Top 4 players from each school count for the School team competition. Winning school holds the National Prep Schools Rapidplay Cup for one year | [Entry form](#)DEC
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68th Hampstead FIDE Congress @ Henderson Court Resource Centre, 102 Fitzjohn's Avenue, Hampstead, London NW3 6NS

Dec 22 @ 10:30 am – Dec 23 @ 5:30 pm



Contact: Adam Raof Email: adamraof@gmail.com Web: <http://www.hampsteadchess.blogspot.co.uk> [MAP]
THREE SECTIONS – Under 2200 & Under 1900 plus a section for players who are graded Under 135 on the ECF list

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Shropshire Chess Congress @ Wrekin Housing Trust, Colliers Way Telford TF3 4AW

Jan 4 – Jan 6 all-day

Contact: Steve Rooney Email: steve.rooney@busandcoach.com Web: <http://www.shropshirechesscongress.co.uk> [MAP]
FIDE-rated Open, Major, Intermediate and Minor. A friendly and professionally-run congress in an excellent venue with probably the best food at a UK chess event!

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1st ECF Academy Weekend 2019 @ TBA

Jan 5 – Jan 6 all-day

Please note – if anyone has a standard play grade of over 80 they can apply for a taster weekend at the Academy Contact: Traci Whitfield, ECF Junior Director Email: director.juniorchess@englishchess.org.uk

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Hull Rapid Play 2019 @ Royal Hotel, 170 Ferensway, Hull HU1 3UF

Jan 6 @ 10:15 am – 5:15 pm

Contact: Douglas Vleeshhouwer Email: douglas.vleeshhouwer@gmail.com [MAP]
5 rounds Swiss, three sections: Open, U160, U120. 25mins + 5 sec increment from move 1 | Entry form



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4NCL Weekend 2 Rounds 3-4

Jan 12 – Jan 13 all-day

Divisions 1 & 2 Mercure Daventry Court; Divisions 3 & 4 South Park Inn Bedford;
Division 3 North Holiday Inn Doncaster

3rd Somerset New Year Chess Congress @ Walton Park Hotel, Wellington Terrace, Clevedon, North Somerset

Jan 12 @ 9:30 am – Jan 13 @ 6:00 pm

Contact: Rebecca and Colin Gardiner Email: congresssecretary@hotmail.com Web: <http://somerstchesscongress.webs.com/> [MAP]
Five round seeded Swiss tournament. 3 sections U175, U145 & U120 | Entry form

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21st 4NCL FIDE Rated Congress @ Old Swan Hotel, Harrogate

Jan 18 @ 7:00 pm – Jan 20 @ 7:00 pm

4NCL FIDE Open, FIDE U2000 (ECF U175), ECF U135. Five rounds Friday 7pm – Sunday 7pm [MAP]

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Junior 4NCL @ TBA

Jan 19 – Jan 20 all-day

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Yorkshire Junior One Day Rapidplay @ Wigginton Primary School, Westfield Lane, Wigginton, York YO32 2FZ

Jan 19 all-day



Contact: Peter Cloudsdale Email: cloudsdale_c@hotmail.co.uk [MAP]

Swiss Rapidplay in 3 sections – Open, Minor and Novices. Various prizes will be awarded. Good chess training will be available given by qualified coaches with DBS clearance. Please send entry form and payment to Noel Stewart, 30 Upper St. Pauls Terrace, York, North Yorkshire YO24 4BP Tel: 07572682101 Email: noel338@btinternet.com | Entry form

1st Hassocks Congress @ Adastra Hall, Keymer Road, Keymer, Hassocks

Jan 19 @ 10:30 am – 4:30 pm

Contact: Will Ellinger Email: info@sussexchess.co.uk Web: <http://www.sussexchess.co.uk> [MAP]

Weekend Congress tournament consisting of 5 rounds – 90 minutes for all moves | Entry form



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30th Nottingham Rapidplay @ Nottingham High School Waverley Mount Nottingham NG7 4ED

Jan 20 @ 10:00 am – 6:30 pm

Contact: Robert Richmond Email: robrchmnd@aol.com Web: <http://NottsChess.org> [MAP]

6 rounds, OPEN, U160, U135, U110. Online entry via NottsChess website



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South of England Junior Chess Congress @ Yateley Manor School 51 Reading Rd Yateley GU46 7UQ

Jan 26 @ 9:30 am – Jan 27 @ 5:30 pm

Contact: Amy Grieve Email: amy@southofenglandjunior.com Web: <http://www.southofenglandjunior.com> [MAP]
Prestigious junior chess tournament for all ages. Qualifier for EPSCA England trials

York Chess Rapidplay @ Middlethorpe Hall Hotel, York

Jan 26 @ 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Contact: Tim Wall Email: timpeterwall@gmail.com [MAP]

The popular York Rapidplay is held at an excellent venue, with good parking. A 6-round Swiss competition, with two sections (Open and Under 140 grading-limited). Time control: 20 mins each for all moves. Prizes: Open: £80, £50, £40. Under 140: £60, £40, £30 | Entry form

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33rd Stockport Rapidplay @ The Guildhall 169 Wellington Road South, Stockport SK1 3UA

Jan 27 @ 10:00 am – 6:00 pm

Contact: Jeff Mason Email: jeffarmason@btinternet.com Web: <http://www.stockportchessclub.org/rapidplay.html> [MAP]
6 round Swiss tournament. Each player has 30 minutes for all moves in each round.

4 Sections: Open (open to all), Major (U170), Intermediate (U140), Minor (U110).

Prizes in each section £140, £90, £40 and £40 grading prizes. Veteran and Junior prizes and Stockport League trophies in Major, Intermediate and Minor sections | Entry form



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Frodsham Chess Congress @ Frodsham Community Centre Fluin Lane Frodsham WA6 7QN

Feb 1 @ 7:00 pm – Feb 3 @ 6:45 pm

Contact: Pat Ridley Email: p.a.ridley@gmail.com Web: <http://www.kisekigo.com/frodsham.html> [MAP]

Five-round, Swiss tournament. Standard play with Fischer time controls. Under 120, Under 160 and FIDE-rated Open sections. Good access by rail and road, with on-site parking. Entry form will be posted here at a later date ...



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42nd Annual Kidlington Chess Tournament @ Exeter Hall, Oxford Road, Kidlington, Oxfordshire OX5 1AB

Feb 2 @ 9:30 am – Feb 3 @ 5:30 pm

Contact: Gerard O'Reilly Email: gerard@kidlingtonchess.org.uk Web: <https://kidlingtonchess.org.uk/> [MAP]

5 rounds, 4 sections (Open, U180, U145, U120). Prize fund over £2000

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2019**4NCL Weekend 3 Rounds 5-6**

Feb 9 – Feb 10 all-day

Divisions 1 & 2 Park Inn, Telford; Divisions 3 & 4 South Mercure Daventry Court;
Division 3 North Mercure Bolton Georgian House

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2019**Northumbria Masters @ Forest Hall Ex-Servicemen's Institute, 26 Crescent Way North, Newcastle upon Tyne**

Feb 16 @ 10:00 am – Feb 20 @ 3:00 pm

Contact: Tim Wall Email: timpeterwall@gmail.com Web: <http://foresthallchess.org.uk/> [MAP]

A 9-round FIDE-rated Swiss tournament open to all players, with opportunities for IM, GM, WIM & WGM norms, held at a new, bigger venue: The Forest Hall Ex-Servicemen's Institute, permanent home of Forest Hall Chess Club. The playing schedule – 9 rounds in 5 days – is specially designed for busy players and juniors. Prize Fund: £4,000 – 1st £1,200, 2nd £800, 3rd £500, 4th £300, 5th £200, Top Female Player £175, Top Under 18 £175, Top Over 50 £175, Top U2400 £150, Top U2200 £125, Top U2000 £100, Top U1800 £100 | [Entry form](#)



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2019**Warwickshire Open Chess Championships @ Alan Higgs Centre Allard Way Coventry CV3 1JP**

Feb 22 @ 7:00 pm – Feb 24 @ 7:00 pm

Contact: Ed Goodwin Email: edgoodwin@gmail.com Web: <http://www.warwickshirechess.org> [MAP]

FIDE Open; FIDE Under 1975; ECF graded Under 140; ECF graded Under 110



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2019**Wiltshire & West of England Junior Open Championships @ UTC Swindon, Bristol Street, Swindon SN1 5ET**

Feb 23 @ 9:45 am – 6:30 pm

Contact: Bev Schofield Email: bev@schofieldhall.co.uk Web: <http://wiltshirejuniorchess.com> [MAP]

Although this (33rd) Junior Open Congress is organised by Wiltshire Junior Chess, it is open to ANY chess player under 18 on the 31st August 2018



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Junior 4NCL @ Mercure Daventry Court Hotel

Mar 2 – Mar 3 all-day

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2019**43rd Blackpool Chess Conference @ The Imperial Hotel Blackpool North Promenade Blackpool FY1 3HB**

Mar 8 @ 6:45 pm – Mar 10 @ 6:15 pm

Contact: Bill O'Rourke Email: blackpoolchessconference@virginmedia.com Web: <http://www.blackpoolchess.org.uk> [MAP]
 £6700 in prizes. Five sections – Lancashire Open, The Imperial Major (U181), The Intermediate (U155), The Minor (U135) & The Standard (U115) | Live games at <http://www.blackpoolchess.org.uk>

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2019**44th East Devon Chess Congress at Exeter @ Exeter Corn Exchange, Market Street, Exeter EX1 1BW**

Mar 9 @ 9:30 am – Mar 10 @ 6:00 pm

Contact Dr Tim Paulden Email: timpaulden@gmail.com Web: <http://www.eastdevonchesscongress.com> [MAP]
 One of the most popular Congresses in the South West – our 2016 and 2017 events both attracted over 140 entrants! The venue is in Exeter city centre, close to railway stations, car parks, and accommodation.

*** Please note the new TWO-DAY FORMAT for 2019 – three rounds on Saturday, two rounds on Sunday! ***
 Full details, including the tournament leaflet, will be released in Summer 2018 ...

EPSCA Under 11 Zones @ TBA

Mar 9 @ 11:45 am – 5:45 pm

Contact: Nigel Dennis Email: nigelwdennis@btinternet.com Web: <http://www.epsca.org.uk/>
 For associations affiliated to EPSCA participating in three zones qualifying for the final on 30th March 2019

MAR
16
Sat
2019**4NCL Weekend 4 Rounds 7-8**

Mar 16 – Mar 17 all-day

Divisions 1 & 2 Park Inn Telford; Division 3 North Holiday Inn Doncaster

EPSCA Under 9 Zones @ TBA

Mar 16 @ 11:45 am – 5:45 pm

Contact: Nigel Dennis Email: nigelwdennis@btinternet.com Web: <http://www.epsca.org.uk/>
 For associations affiliated to EPSCA participating in three zones qualifying for the final on 27th April 2019

MAR
23
Sat**EPSCA Under 11 Girls' Final @ TBA**

Mar 23 @ 11:45 am – 5:45 pm

Contact: Nigel Dennis Email: nigelwdennis@btinternet.com Web: <http://www.epsca.org.uk/>

2019

For associations affiliated to EPSCA

MAR

30

Sat
2019**44th Nottingham Congress @ Nottingham High School Waverley Mount Nottingham NG7 4ED**

Mar 30 @ 9:45 am – Mar 31 @ 5:45 pm

Contact: Robert Richmond Email: robrchmnd@aol.com Web: <http://NottsChess.org> [MAP]

5 rounds, OPEN, U165, U135, U110. Free entry to GMs, IMs, WGMs & WIMs. Online entry via the NottsChess website

**EPSCA Under 11 Final @ TBA**

Mar 30 @ 11:45 am – 5:45 pm

Contact: Nigel Dennis Email: nigelwdennis@btinternet.com Web: <http://www.epsca.org.uk/>

For associations affiliated to EPSCA qualifying from three zones held on 9th March 2019

APR

6

Sat
2019**Junior Squad @ to be confirmed ...**

Apr 6 – Apr 7 all-day

Contact: Peter Purland

37th St. Albans Chess Congress 2019 @ St. Columba's College, King Harry Lane, St.Albans, Herts AL3 4AW

Apr 6 @ 10:00 am – Apr 7 @ 6:30 pm

Contact: Terry Douse Email: stalbanscongress@yahoo.co.uk [MAP]

5 round Swiss, 5 graded sections. Large playing hall with an extensive free car park



APR

13

Sat
2019**2nd ECF Academy Weekend 2019 @ TBA**

Apr 13 – Apr 14 all-day

Please note – if anyone has a standard play grade of over 80 they can apply for a taster weekend at the Academy Contact: Traci Whitfield, ECF Junior Director Email: director.juniorchess@englishchess.org.uk**4NCL Weekend 4 Rounds 7-8**

Apr 13 – Apr 14 all-day

Divisions 3 & 4 South Mercure Daventry Court

APR

19

Fri
2019**1st 4NCL Easter FIDE Rated Congress @ Holiday Inn Stevenage**

Apr 19 @ 7:00 pm – Apr 22 @ 7:00 pm

4NCL

FIDE Open, FIDE U2000 (ECF U175), ECF U135. Five rounds Friday 7pm – Sunday 7pm [MAP]

APR

27

Sat
2019**ECF County Championships Preliminary Rounds**

Apr 27 all-day

EPSCA Under 9 Final @ TBA

Apr 27 @ 11:45 am – 5:45 pm

Contact: Nigel Dennis Email: nigelwdennis@btinternet.com Web: <http://www.epzca.org.uk/>

For associations affiliated to EPSCA qualified from three zones held on 16th March 2019

MAY

4

Sat
2019**4NCL Weekend 5 Rounds 9-11**

May 4 – May 6 all-day

Divisions 1 & 2 Park Inn, Telford; Divisions 3 & 4 South Mercure Daventry Court;
Division 3 North Mercure Bolton Georgian House

MAY

11

Sat
2019**ECF County Championships Quarter Finals (Open, Minor, U160 & U120)**

May 11 all-day

MAY

18

Sat
2019**ECF County Championships Quarter Finals (U180, U140 & U100)**

May 18 all-day

MAY

24

Fri
2019**Huddersfield 6 Round Congress @ Huddersfield Ukrainian Club 7 Edgerton Road Huddersfield HD1 5RA**

May 24 @ 7:00 pm – May 26 @ 6:00 pm

Contact: Nigel Hepworth Email: nigelhepworth@me.com Web: <http://congress.huddersfieldchess.org.uk> [MAP]

6 round Swiss tournament. Multiple byes allowed. 3 sections – Open, Major (U166), Minor (U126)

Time control – all moves in 1 hour 30 minutes plus 10 seconds per move | Entry form



JUN

ECF County Championships Semi Finals

8Sat
2019**Jun 8** all-day

JUL

6Sat
2019**ECF County Championships Finals (provisional)****Jul 6** all-day

SEP

14Sat
2019**3rd ECF Academy Weekend 2019 @ TBA****Sep 14 – Sep 15** all-day

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NOV

16Sat
2019**4th ECF Academy Weekend 2019 @ TBA****Nov 16 – Nov 17** all-day

Please note – if anyone has a standard play grade of over 80 they can apply for a taster weekend at the Academy Contact:
Traci Whitfield, ECF Junior Director Email: director.juniorchess@englishchess.org.uk

MAR

13Fri
2020**44th Blackpool Chess Conference @ The Imperial Hotel Blackpool North Promenade Blackpool FY1 3HB****Mar 13 @ 6:45 pm – Mar 15 @ 6:15 pm**

Contact: Bill O'Rourke Email: blackpoolchessconference@virginmedia.com Web: <http://www.blackpoolchess.org.uk> [MAP]
£6700 in prizes. Five sections – Lancashire Open, The Imperial Major (U181), The Intermediate (U155), The Minor (U135) & The Standard (U115) | Live games at <http://www.blackpoolchess.org.uk>

