A player's guide to the ECF LMS

The Qualifying tournaments and the Championships Finals are "Events" within the "2021 Season" of the County Championships Online "Organisation" hosted on the ECF League's Management System. These can be selected from the County Championships Online home page by clicking on the Qualifier or Finals event for your Championship from the "Event" menu on the left hand side of the page.

This will take you to the <u>Fixtures</u> page, where you can find all the match fixtures by date.

Interactive matchcards and player profiles

Find your match fixture and click on the score in the "Result" column to take you to the matchcard. Once the teams have been entered and exchanged you will be able to see the players and their chess.com usernames.

The **Chess.com profiles of your opponent** including their completed games can be viewed by clicking on the TV icon following a player's name or by clicking on the username to the right of this icon.

If you have already added your opponent as a friend, here is a <u>guide</u> for challenging from the profile page.

During play it is hoped that this matchcard will be updated with the results in near real time so that players and spectators can see the **current match position**. There will of course be a time delay depending on how quick results are submitted and spotted.

Live viewing

Once you have finished your game you can watch the remaining action live using the live TV facility (the TV icon in the Board column).

This facility should not be used by players during their live games or by family members or others sharing the same server. Remember these are rated games and the platform anticheating bots will be paying attention to your games and server activity. It is a competition requirement that there should be no communication during play between a player and anyone else.

You can follow upto 8 games from your browser but not simultaneously (as only one live board can be open in Chess.com at any time). Click on the board number TV icon of the first game to watch and you will be taken to the live game for that board. Go back to the pairing card (or a different one) and click on the second game. A new tab in your browser will open which you should then close (Chess.com does not allow multiple live windows). In the first Chess.com tab opened you will see that both games chosen appear as tabs below the board, so you can toggle between the two. Repeat the process to add upto 8 boards. If you change your mind close the tab below the viewing board and select a new game from one of the pairing cards.

You can of course look at in progress games in other sections of the Competition too. Be careful to check that the usernames for both players & time control are what you are expecting as once the game is finished, the link will take you to the selected players current live game.