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| **Prize Fund: £5,775****Northumbria Masters**(Open to all players, FIDE-rated, eligible for title norms, £3,000 in prizes)**1st £1,000, 2nd £600, 3rd £400, 4th £300, 5th 200, 6th 100**Top female, £100, Top U-18 £100, Top Veteran (60+) £100, Top <2200 £100.Entry fees: FMs, Under 18s £50, 2000+ £80, <2000 £100 GMs/IMs/WGMs/WIMs: Free**Challengers <2000 FIDE rating** (FIDE-rated, £925 in prizes)**1st £400, 2nd £200, 3rd £100**Top female player £75, Top U-18 £75, Top Veteran (60+) £75.Entry fees: £50, Under 18s £30.**Major <1750 ECF rating** (ECF-rated, £775 in prizes)**1st £300, 2nd £150, 3rd £100**Top female player £75, Top U-18 £75, Top Veteran (60+) £75.Entry fee: £40, Under 18s £25.**Minor <1500 ECF rating**(recommended for newcomers to competitive chess)(ECF-rated, £775 in prizes)**1st £300, 2nd £150, 3rd £100**Top female player £75, Top U-18 £75, Top Veteran (60+) £75.Entry fee: £40, Under 18s £25.**Junior Rapidplay (Under 18 on 1/1/22)**(ECF-rated, £300 in prizes)**1st £100, 2nd £50**Top female player £50, Top U-14 £50, Top U-10 £50. Other prizes will depend on entries.Entry fee: £15. |
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| **Northumbria Chess Masters** |
| **August 26-30, 2022** **Five Swiss tournaments:**1. **Northumbria Masters** (Open to All, eligible for title norms, FIDE-rated)
2. **Challengers** (U-2000, FIDE-rated)
3. **Major** (U-1750, ECF-rated)
4. **Minor** (U-1500, ECF-rated)
5. **1-Day Junior Rapidplay** (ECF-rated)

**St. Mary’s Catholic School, Benton Park Road, Newcastle upon Tyne NE7 7PE, UK**  |
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| **How to enter:**1. Online at: [**https://northumbriamasters.com**](https://northumbriamasters.com)
2. Email **timpeterwall@gmail.com**with a copy of the completed entry form. Entry fees should be transferred to: UK Chess Events Ltd, Barclays Bank, Sort Code 20-59-43, Account: 2344 1954.

Please note: No entries will be accepted by post and/or cheque. |
| ENTRY FORMFirst Name(s):……………………………………….Surname: ………………………………………………..E-mail (required for all players): …………………………..Date of birth (required for all players): …../…./.…….Tournament(s): Masters / Challengers / Major / Minor / Junior RapidplayFIDE standard rating: ……… FIDE Title (if any): ..……FIDE ID (Masters & Challengers) (required): …..................ECF/ Other National Standard Play Rating: ……………...ECF Category: Plat./Gold/Silver/Pay-to-Play/Other Fed.ECF Membership No: ……………………….....................Other National Federation (if not the ECF) ……………...Half-point bye(s)? Please specify: Rounds 1/2/3/4/5/6 **Entry Fee**: ………………………………………………£11 Pay-to-Play fee (if not Gold ECF for Masters or Challengers, or Silver ECF for Major or Minor): ……........+£10 Late fee (after Aug. 16) …………..Donation to Congress (most welcome): ..................................**Total enclosed** ……………………………………….....**Signed ……………………….. Date …………………** |

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| **Playing schedule for Masters, Challengers, Major & Minor**Round 1 18:30, Friday 26 AugustRound 2 10:00, Saturday 27 AugustRound 3 15:00, Saturday 27 AugustRound 4 10:00, Sunday 28 AugustRound 5 15:00, Sunday 28 AugustRound 6 10:00, Monday 29 AugustRound 7 15:00, Monday 29 AugustRound 8 10:00, Tuesday 30 AugustRound 9 15:00, Tuesday 30 August**Junior Rapidplay: Friday 26 August**1. Open to all players aged under 18 on 1/1/22. ECF Junior Silver membership or above is required.
2. Time control: All moves in 20 minutes, plus 10 seconds per move.

**Playing schedule for Junior Rapidplay**Register by: ……..10:00, Friday 26 August Round 1 10:30, Friday 26 August Round 2 11:45, Friday 26 AugustRound 3 13:00, Friday 26 AugustRound 4 14:15, Friday 26 AugustRound 5 15:30, Friday 26 AugustPrizegiving 16:45, Friday 26 August**Getting to St Mary’s Catholic School****By Car:** The school is on the A191 from Gosforth, 3.5 miles from Junction 77 on the A1(M).**By Metro:** The school is 5 minutes’ walk from Longbenton Metro station, a 20-minute journey from Newcastle Central Station on the Yellow line.**By Train:** Newcastle is 3 hours by train from London & 1 hour 30 minutes from Edinburgh.**By Plane:** The school is 7 miles from Newcastle International Airport.**Covid-secure venue**All participants and visitors to the Northumbria Masters must follow UK law and government guidance on Covid-19. Anyone testing positive for Covid-19 or displaying symptoms in the 14 days before the event should inform the organisers and stay at home. They will be refunded their entry fee. Please note: The Northumbria Masters accepts no liability for players’ travel or accommodation costs.**Time Control (for all events)**All moves in 90 minutes, plus an increment of 30 seconds per move from move 1. Players must record all the moves throughout the game |
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| **Regulations for tournaments 1-4**1. Masters/Challengers players should a) be Gold/Platinum ECF members, b) be members of another national federation or c) pay a £11 Pay-to-Play fee.
2. Major/Minor players should a) be ECF Silver members or above; or b) pay a £11 Pay-to-Play fee.
3. For the Masters and Challengers, FIDE Standard Play Ratings will be used.
4. For the Major and Minor, ECF Standard Play ratings will be used.
5. July 2022 FIDE & ECF ratings determine sections and rating prizes. (August 2022 FIDE and ECF ratings will be used for pairing only.)
6. Players may be moved to a different section at the organiser’s discretion.
7. Entrants after August 16 will be charged a £10 late fee.
8. Players normally win only one prize. Prizes may be adjusted based on entries.
9. Age categories are as of January 1, 2022.
10. Players may take up to 3 half-point byes for Rounds 1-6 if requested before Rd. 1
11. The default time is 30 minutes.
12. All players should register by email to: timpeterwall@gmail.com or in person on Friday 26th August by 4:30pm.
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| **Chess at St. Mary’s**St. Mary’s Catholic School, Newcastle is one of the leading chess schools in Northern England, winning the Regional Finals of the ECF’s National Under 19 Schools and Team Chess Challenge competitions in 2022. For info on chess at St. Mary’s, contact Paul Richardson at: paul.richardson@st-marys.newcastle.sch.uk |

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