



Ray Edwards: Nomination for ECF Honorary Lifetime Membership

Playing

Played tournament chess for 72 years until stopped by the pandemic.

Collected along the way four Yorkshire Championships, two NCCU Championships and one Major Open title.

Played in four British Championships.

Represented GB/England at the sixth Students Olympiad Budapest (1959).

Played in numerous seniors and veterans tournaments.

Books

Co-authored two books for Batsford and three for Routledge (two of which were translated into Spanish and German).

Chess Administration

International Director for three years, following David Anderton.

International Selector for many years (latterly for senior teams).

PIF Trustee for 20+ years.

First Chairman of the Chess Trust, and part of the team that established the Chess Trust on an operational basis during its first years.

British Chess Magazine

Chairman for about 10 years after GM Murray Chandler's return to New Zealand.

Miscellaneous

Chair of the President's Report (1991) which argued for a professional chess league which ultimately led to the founding of the 4NCL.

Yorkshire Post Chess Columnist for about 10 years until leaving Yorkshire to move South.

BCF/ECF Book of the Year

Involved as a judge since 1995, for most of that time as Chairman. The award has been described as 'the highest honour in chess publishing'.