#### Castle Chess News:

As we embark on our 2nd Year of Castle Chess we record that 170 individuals played in one or more of our events during 2009. Tim Crouch played in all four events and was awarded a loyalty bonus of £25 for any 2010 Castle Chess event.

We look forward to improving these numbers in 2010.

Castle Chess will endeavour to find hotels with quality and a character of their own which will put your chess playing in a comfortable and friendly environment.

**Castle Chess** Grand Prix: 50p of each entry fee received will be put into the prize fund and awarded to **Castle Chess** players who earn the highest total of game points in our 2010 events.

**Castle Chess** will pay the game fee and send all results to the ECF for grading.

Anyone entering all Castle Chess 2010 events will be awarded a £25 loyalty voucher towards a 2011 Castle Chess event.

If you are a Direct Member of the English Chess Federation you may claim a discount of £2.50 for our 5 round events or £3 for our 6 round events

#### Castle Chess POTTERS BAR Winners 2009

OPEN: Gary Senior (Hendon)
PREMIER: Julien Shepley (Guildford),

Alan Hayward (Streatham & Brixton), Chris Hampton (Maldon)

MAJOR: Brendan O'Gorman (DHSS)

MINOR: Thomas Rixon (Hemel Hempstead)

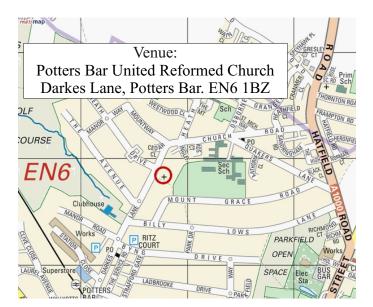
CHALLENGERS Peter Brace (Spondon)

# Castle Chess Grand Prix Winners 2009

1stTim Crouch .(King's Head)8.5 pts (£70)2ndKeven Lamb (Eastleigh Railway)7.5 pts (£50)3rdKeith Osborne (Lewes)6.5 pts (£30)

Your enjoyment at a chess congress is our main concern.

Please ask and, if possible,
we shall do our best to make it happen.



Castle Chess invites chess players for a weekend's congress in a this comfortable playing venue. This modern church facility will hold up to 100 players in the main playing hall. It is located in a green belt area easily reached by train from Central London. A ten minute walk from the Potters Bar station passes many local shops. There are any number of local restaurants or take-away establishments in Potters Bar.

There is parking for 25 cars. Those arriving later will be able to find space in Mount Grace Road at the rear the church.

If the weather is kind to us then refreshments may be enjoyed on the grass area at the back of the church hall.

This weekend is one of two in the year when there will not be a service on Sunday morning.

Refreshments will be available throughout the congress.

BOOKSTALL: By Tournament Chess Supplies



# 2nd Potters Bar Congress

# SATURDAY & SUNDAY 22 - 23 May 2010

ECF Game Fee Registered ENGLISH CHESS FEDERATION 2009/10 Grand Prix Event

3 Sections - 5 Round Swiss

OPEN - Unrestricted MAJOR - Under 160 MINOR - Under 120

The Castle Controlling Team :
Tony Corfe (ECF Arbiter) & Marc Shaw
Barbara Corfe

**Non-Smoking Congress** 

Players are eligible to win points in one, or more, of the "English Chess Federation 2010 Graded Grand Prix", sponsored by CCF. as well as the Junior Grand Prix.

CONGRESS - 5 round Swiss Tournament

PRIZES: £150 per section - Guaranteed.

ENTRY FEE -- £30

CONGRESS DISCOUNTS - Junior (U18) £5.00 ECF Direct Member (Number supplied) £2.50

PRIZE CONDITIONS: Each section's prize fund is guaranteed as long as we run the section. The overall fund will be increased if the total number of adult entrants exceeds 60 players. This will be awarded pro rata to each event based on their numbers.

UNGRADED players may only win 1/3 of any prize, in any section except in the OPEN!. A graded player will be in the ECF list (Standard or Rapidplay) with a code A to E.

WITHDRAWALS: A deduction of £5 will be made from any refund unless carried forward to a future Castle Chess event. Accommodation booked will have to be paid for unless at least 24 hours notice has been given.

LATE ARRIVALS: Players will be allowed 30 minutes on their clock, after the scheduled round start time, before being defaulted. Re-pairing will take place if at all possible.

ENTRY CONDITIONS: The organisers reserve the right to refuse an entry, without assigning a reason, or to cancel or merge sections.

PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN AT THE EVENT may be used for publicity purposes. Players should advise the organisers if they wish not to have their photographs published. The ECF Data Protection Officer is Cynthia Gurney at time of going to press.

DISPUTES: Appeals against the Arbiter's decisions will be resolved by an appeals committee. In all other matters the organiser's decisions are final.

BOOKSTALL: A bookstall will be supplied by Tournament Chess Supplies. Please call 01707 659080 for specific requests.

#### **PLAYING SCHEDULE**

\*The Players Review is an open forum that allows competitors to comment on the current congress and suggest any improvements for future Castle Chess events.

# Saturday (22nd May)

Rd 1 09:30 to 13:00 \*Players Review 13:45 Rd 2 14:00 to 17:30 Rd 3 18:30 to 20:00

# Sunday (23rd May)

Rd 4 09:30 to 13:00 Rd 5 13:30 to 17:00

Prize-Giving at 17.15

#### RATE OF PLAY:

36 moves in 90 minutes plus 15 mins QPF.

# **EVENT ENQUIRIES:**

Tony Corfe, 51 Borough Way, Potters Bar, Herts. EN6 3HA Tel: 01707 659080 Fax: 01707 661160 Mob: 07973 516718 email: tony@tcs-chess.demon.co.uk

or Marc Shaw 07947 813303

# Calendar of Castle Events

2010

2nd Portsmouth 19-21 February Queen's Hotel 2ndHereford 24-25 April Green Dragon Hotel 2nd Potters Bar 22-23 May Potters Bar 2nd Bideford 17-18 July Tantons Hotel

Visit our website at www.castlechess.co.uk

Late Fee applies after 15th May



Corfe Castle, Swanage, Dorset

#### ENTRY FORM Potters Bar 2010

FIRST NAME	•••••
LAST NAME	
ADDRESS	
Post C	Code
Telephone:	
email:	
ECF GRADE ECF COI	DE
CLUB ECF Dire	ect No
DATE OF BIRTH	
SECTION ENTERED	
Half Point Bye requested in Round	(not Rd 5)
PACKAGE TYPE (including Entry Fee)	£
Discounts:  ECF Direct Member £2.50 Junior (U18) £5.00	
DONATION (to help defray expenses)	
LATE FEE: £5 after 15th May	£
TOTAL	£
Cheques / PO payable to: "Castle Chess"	

Please send completed entry form with fee to: Castle Chess, 51 Borough Way, Potters Bar, Herts. EN6 3HA.

We can accept payment by card over the telephone for a fee of 5%. Tel: 01707 659080 (9 a.m. to 9 p.m.)