

Castle Chess News:

As we enter our 4th Year of Castle Chess we record that 129 individuals played in one or both of our events already this year.

Castle Chess endeavours 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 2012 Weekend Congress events. Final places and prizes will be decided here in Dudley.

Castle Chess will send all results to the ECF for grading. Under new rules by the English Chess Federation all players must become Silver or Gold members of the Federation to enjoy the full benefits of Congress Discounts. These Silver or Gold members will be able to claim a £6 discount for this congress.

Enter all 5 weekend **Castle Chess** events during 2012 and be awarded a £30 loyalty voucher towards a 2013 **Castle Chess** event.

Castle Chess Grand Prix Leaders:

(after Hereford March 2012)

1st	Richard Desmedt (Wombwell)	8 pts
2nd	Alan Fraser (Beckenham & Bromley)	7.5 pts
3rd	Ray Ilett (Peterborough), Erika Orsagova(London) and Steven Payne(Salisbury)	6.5 pts

Castle Chess Dudley Winners October 2011:

OPEN: Peter Davies (Cardiff)
MAJOR: Phillip Bull (West Bromwich)
INTERMEDIATE: Richard Leaper (Birmingham)
MINOR: Peter Kearns (Warley Quinborne)
CHALLENGERS: Keven Lamb (Eastleigh)

Your enjoyment at a chess congress is our main concern.
Please ask and, if possible, we shall do our best to make it happen.

ACCOMMODATION AND VENUE:

The Quality Hotel Dudley
Birmingham Road, Dudley, W Midlands. DY1 4RN
01384 458070

Castle Chess invites chess players for a weekend's congress in a good playing venue in the heart of the UK. The Quality Hotel in Dudley is 3*.

The hotel restaurant offers good basic catering for your cooked breakfast or evening meals.

There is plenty of on site parking.

BOOKING ACCOMMODATION: This should be done through **Castle Chess** to gain the best rates. There are 15 rooms reserved by us until 15th September. Early booking is advised, but do please enquire after this date if you received your entry form later.

PACKAGE TYPES:

(Entry Fee of £26 is included)

			B&B	Half-Board
"A"	Single	1 night	£ 72	£ 84
"B"	Single	2 nights	£ 109	£ 134
"C"	Single	3 nights	£ 145	£ 182
"D"	Twin	1 night	£ 70 per person	£ 82
"E"	Twin	2 nights	£ 105 per person	£ 130
"F"	Twin	3 nights	£142 per person	£ 178

NonePlayers may deduct £32 from the cost of their room.

Entry Fee only : £32

Entry Fee reduced by £6.00 for ECF Silver or Gold members.

To obtain these rates your accommodation must be booked via Tony Corfe: contact details elsewhere.



presents their

2nd Dudley Congress

in a hotel venue

Saturday and Sunday
6th / 7th October 2012

Registered for ECF Grading
ENGLISH CHESS FEDERATION
2012 Grand Prix Event

3 Sections - 5 Round Swiss

OPEN - Unrestricted
including Premier U180
MAJOR - Under 160
including Intermediate U140
MINOR - Under 120
including Challengers U100

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

Players are eligible to win points in one, or more, of the “English Chess Federation 2012 Graded Grand Prix”, sponsored by CCF, as well as the Junior Grand Prix.

CONGRESS - 5 round Swiss Tournament

PRIZES: £150 per section - Guaranteed, plus at least one grading prize (£70) in each sub-section.

ENTRY FEE - (without accommodation) - £32

CONGRESS DISCOUNTS - Junior (U18) £6.00
ECF Silver or Gold Members (Number supplied) £6.00

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. All cash prizes will be shared, but players will only be eligible to win one prize.

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, or in another National list.

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 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 Tina Weddell 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 may be supplied by Tournament Chess Supplies. Please call 01707 659080 for specific requests.

PLAYING SCHEDULE

Saturday (6th Oct)

Rd 1 10:00 to 13:30
*Players Review 14:15
Rd 2 14:30 to 18:00
Rd 3 19:00 to 22:30

*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.

Sunday (7th Oct)

Rd 4 10:00 to 13:30
Rd 5 14:15 to 17:45

Prize-Giving at 18.00

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 2012

5th Potters Bar	5th & 7th May	Potters Bar URC
6th Potters Bar	28-29 July	Potters Bar URC
2nd Dudley	6-7 October	Quality Hotel

Castle Events 2013

1st Winchester	6-7 January	Winchester Holiday Inn
5th Portsmouth	22-24 February	Royal Beach Hotel
5th Hereford	16-17 March	Green Dragon Hotel

Visit our website at www.castlechess.co.uk

Late Fee applies 7 days before event



Corfe Castle, Swanage, Dorset

ENTRY FORM 2nd Dudley October 2012

FIRST NAME

LAST NAME

ADDRESS

.....Post Code.....

Telephone:

email:.....

ECF GRADE..... ECF CODE

CLUB..... ECF Membership Type

ECF Membership Number

DATE OF BIRTH

SECTION ENTERED

Half Point Bye requested in Round(not Rd 5)

Entry Fee Only £ 32 - 00

Accommodation PACKAGE TYPE
(which includes Entry Fee)_____ £

Accommodation:(BB or HB) _____

Arrival night_____ No of Nights _____

Discounts:
ECF Silver/Gold Member £6.00
Junior (U18) £6.00 £

DONATION
(to help defray expenses) £

LATE FEE: £6 after 28th Sept £

TOTAL £ _____

Cheques / PO payable to : “Castle Chess”

Please send completed entry form with fee to:
Castle Chess, 3 Greer Road, Harrow Weald, Harrow, HA3 6JF

Card payment accepted over the telephone