Castle Chess News:

Embarking on our 5th Year of Castle Chess we record that 188 individuals played in one or more of our events during 2012.

We look forward to improving these numbers in 2013.

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 2013 Congress events.

Castle Chess 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.

Anyone entering all 6 weekend **Castle Chess** events during 2013 events will be awarded a £30 loyalty voucher towards a 2014 **Castle Chess** event.

Castle Chess PORTSMOUTH Winners 2012

OPEN: Jasper TambinI (Southampton Univ)

Alex Therrien(Worthing)

MAJOR: Richard Desmedt (Wombwell)

 $INTERMEDIATE\,Tom\,Bird(Portsmouth)$

MINOR: Mike Edwards (Southampton area)

CHALLENGER: John Davis (Southampton)

Adrian Kernot (East Grinstead)

Castle Chess Grand Prix Leaders September 2012

1stRichard Desmedt (Wombwell)13.5 pts2nd=Jennifer Goldsmith (Harrow)10 pts2nd=Alan Fraser (Beckenham & Bromley)10 pts

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:

Holiday Inn: Telegraph Way Winchester, SO21 1HZ 0871 942 9188

Castle Chess invites chess players for a weekend's congress in a superb playing venue. The Holiday Inn, is a 4.5 *** hotel, which is situated in rolling Hampshire countryside close to the South Downs.

It is only a 15 minutes' drive from Southampton Airport and an hour's drive from London. The hotel is situated just off the M3 at Junction 9. Winchester town centre is 2 miles away.

The bedrooms are spacious and if you prefer an upgrade to a suite this may also be possible.

Next door to the hotel there are hundreds of activities at the INTECH Science Centre and Planetarium.

The "residents only" gym has high-tech equipment and weights. It is open from 6.30am until 10.30 pm

Wi-Fi internet access is available, but charged, in public areas, bedrooms and meeting rooms.

There is ample free parking on-site.

BOOKING ACCOMMODATION: This should be done through **Castle Chess** to gain the best rates in this splendid hotel. There are 30 rooms reserved by us until 2nd January. Early booking is advised.

PACKAGE TYPES: (Entry Fee is included)

B&B only 1 night £ 90

"A" Single 1 night £ 90
"B" Single 2 nights £140
"C" Single 3 nights £190
"D" Twin 1 night £ 75 per person
"E" Twin 2 nights £110 per person

"E" Twin 2 nights £110 per person "F" Twin 3 nights £145 per person

Non-Players may deduct £32 from the cost of their room.

Entry Fee only: £36 (incl tea/coffee)
To obtain these rates your accommodation must be booked via
Tony Corfe: contact details elsewhere.



1st Winchester Congress

in a hotel venue

SATURDAY & SUNDAY 5 - 6 January 2013

ECF Game Fee Registered ENGLISH CHESS FEDERATION 2012/13 Grand Prix Event

3 Sections - 6 Round Swiss

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

The Castle Controlling Team : Tony Corfe (ECF Arbiter), Barbara Corfe Marc Shaw Players are eligible to win points in one, or more, of the "English Chess Federation 2013 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 in each section.

ENTRY FEE - (without accommodation) - £36 (incl tea/coffee)

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 other national list.

WITHDRAWALS: A deduction of £6 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

*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 (5th Jan)

Rd 1 09:30 to 13:00 *Players Review 13:45 Rd 2 14:00 to 17:30 Rd 3 19:00 to 22:30

Sunday (6th Jan)

Rd 4 09:30 to 13:00 Rd 5 13:45 to 17:15

Prize-Giving at 17.30

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 2013

| 1st Winchester | 5 - 6 January | Holiday Inn |
|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 5th Portsmouth | 22 - 24 February | Royal Beach Hotel |
| 5th Hereford | 16 - 17 March | Green Dragon Hotel |
| 7th Potters Bar | 25th & 27th May | Potters Bar URC |
| 8th Potters Bar | 29 -30 June | Potters Bar URC |
| 3rd Dudley | 21 - 22 September | Quality Hotel |

Visit our website at www.castlechess.co.uk

Late Fee applies 7 days before event



Corfe Castle, Swanage, Dorset

ENTRY FORM Winchester Jan 2013

| FIRST NAME | | | |
|---|-----------|--|--|
| LAST NAME | | | |
| ADDRESS | | | |
| Post Code | | | |
| Telephone: | | | |
| email: | | | |
| ECFGRADE ECF CODE | | | |
| CLUB ECF Membership Type | | | |
| DATE OF BIRTH | | | |
| SECTION ENTERED | | | |
| Half Point Bye requested in Round(not Rd 5) | | | |
| Entry Fee Only | £ 36 - 00 | | |
| Accommodation PACKAGE TYPE (which includes Entry Fee) | £ | | |
| Accommodation:(BB or HB) | | | |
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| Arrival night No of Nigh | nts | | |
| Discounts: ECF Silver/Gold Member £6.00 Junior (U18) £6.00 | £ | | |
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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 for a fee of 5%. Tel: 01707 659080 (9 a.m. to 9 p.m.)