

Castle Chess News:

Now in our 6th Year of Castle Chess we record that 200 individuals played in one or more of our events during 2013.

We look forward to improving these numbers in 2014.

Due to a marvelous anonymous individual donation the entry fees for this tournament have been reduced from £36 to £34.

Castle Chess will endeavour to find venues 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 2014 Congress events.

Castle Chess send all results to the ECF for grading.

Under rules of 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 2014 events will be awarded a £30 loyalty voucher towards a 2015 **Castle Chess** event.

Castle Chess Potters Bar Winners May 2013

OPEN: Bruce Baer (Muswell Hill), Michael Lexton (St Albans)

PREMIER: George Dickson (Metropolitan)

MAJOR: Sam Herring (Ounde School)

INTERMEDIATE: Colin Newton (Southend)

MINOR: Philip Humphry (Harrow), William Philpott(-)

CHALLENGERS: John Chapman (Southend)

Castle Chess Grand Prix Leaders end January 2014

1st= Douglas Butcher (Winchester) 4.5 pts

1st= Alex Vanlint (Basingstoke) 4.5 pts

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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:

Potters Bar United Reformed Church

Darkes Lane, Potters Bar

Hertfordshire EN6 1BZ

Castle Chess invites chess players for a weekend's congress in a modern airy playing venue with a grassed area outside.

Light Refreshments will be served throughout the day. There are many styles of restaurant and fast food establishments in Potters Bar and just a short walk/drive from the venue.

There is ample onsite parking at no extra charge.

ACCOMMODATION: There are not only several hotels just a short drive from the church, but also a few B&B's available a short walk from the venue. Please telephone for the local listings.

Entry Fee : £34

(Subsidized by a private anonymous donation)



presents their

9th Potters Bar Congress

in a modern church venue

SATURDAY & MONDAY

24th May and 26th May 2014

Please note there is no play on Sunday 25th May

ECF Game Fee Registered
ENGLISH CHESS FEDERATION
2013/14 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 :
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 2014 Graded Grand Prix”.

CONGRESS- 5 round Swiss Tournament

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

ENTRY FEE - £34 (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 adult 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.

GRADES: Following the publication of a new ECF grading list the organisers may exercise discretion to allow a player to participate in a section with a maximum grading limit below the player’s newly published grade. Usually no more than 5 points.

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 or FIDE 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

Saturday (24th May)		
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	
Monday (26th May)		
Rd 4	10:00 to 13:30	Prize-Giving at 18.00
Rd 5	14:15 to 17:45	

PLEASE NOTE
THERE IS NO PLAY ON SUNDAY 25th MAY

RATE OF PLAY:
36 moves in 90 minutes plus 15 mins QPF.

EVENT ENQUIRIES:
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or Marc Shaw 07947 813303		
Calendar of Castle Events 2014		
9th Potters Bar	24th & 26th May	Potters Bar URC
10th Potters Bar	28 - 29 June	Potters Bar URC
6th Hereford (6 rnds)	14 - 16 March	Green Dragon
6th Portsmouth(6 rnds)	26 - 28 September	Lysses House Hotel
NOTE THE NEW MONTHS		
for the Portsmouth and Dudley Congresses in 2014		

Calendar of Castle Events 2015		
3rd Winchester (6 rounds)	2-4 January	Holiday Inn
visit our website: www.castlechess.co.uk		

Late Fee applies 7 days before event



Corfe Castle, Swanage, Dorset

9th Potters Bar Congress : May 2014

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 £ 34 - 00

Discounts:

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

DONATION (to help defray expenses) £

LATE FEE: £6 after 17th May £

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.)