Castle Chess News:

Tony Corfe has been involved in organising chess events large and small for more than 30 years. Following his recent experiences with his friend, Norman Went, in Spectrum Chess he has decided to branch out into his own brand of weekend chess within the hotel environment. This congress, although not in a hotel venue is included in the **Castle Chess** program.

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

Join us in our venture. We look forward to welcoming you to our third event.

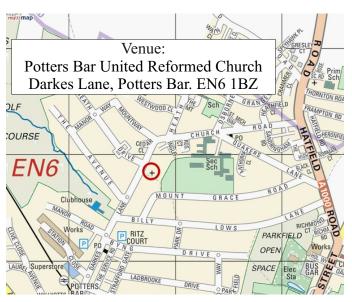
Castle Chess will be running its own Grand Prix. 50p of each entry fee received will be put into the prize fund to be awarded to **Castle Chess** players who earn the highest total of game points in our 2009 events.

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

Anyone who enters all of the **Castle Chess** events in 2009 will be entitled to a £25 loyalty voucher to use at a 2010 **Castle Chess** event.

If you are a Direct Member of the English Chess Federation we shall give you a discount of $\pounds 2.50$ for our 5 round events or $\pounds 3$ for our 6 round events

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.

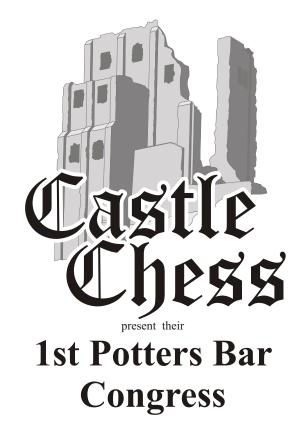
There is parking for 25 cars. Those arriving later will be able to find space in Mount Grace Road at the rear the church.

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 a service on Sunday morning.

Refreshments will be available throughout the congress.

BOOKSTALL: By Tournament Chess Supplies



SATURDAY & SUNDAY 30 - 31 May 2009

ECF Game Fee Registered ENGLISH CHESS FEDERATION 2008/9 Grand Prix Event

5 Sections - 5 Round Swiss

OPEN - Unrestricted PREMIER - Under 175 MAJOR - Under 150 MINOR - Under 125 CHALLENGERS - Under 100

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

Non-Smoking Congress

Players are eligible to win points in one, or more, of the "English Chess Federation 2008/09 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 - (without accommodation) - £28

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

PRIZE CONDITIONS: Each section's prize fund is guaranteed as long as we run the section. Numbers may dictate that we merge tournaments. 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 (Normal 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.

DISPUTES: Appeal against the Arbiter's decision 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 (30th May) Rd 1 09:15 to 12:45 *Players Review 13:45 Rd 2 14:00 to 17:30 Rd 3 19:00 to 22:30

Sunday(31st May)Rd 409:15to12:4513:30to17:00

Prize-Giving at 17.15

RATE OF PLAY:

36 moves in 90 minutes plus 15 mins QPF.

EVENT ENQUIRIES:

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Calendar of Castle Events

2009

| 1st Portsmouth | 20-22 February | Queen's Hotel |
|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1st Hereford | 25-26 April | Green Dragon Hotel |
| 2nd Potters Bar | 30-31 May | Potters Bar |
| 1st Bideford | 26-27 September | Tantons Hotel |
| 1st Derbyshire | 14-15 November | Izaak Walton Hotel |

We have no website at present, but are working on it.

Late Fee applies after 24th May

ENTRY FORM Potters Bar 2009

| FIRST NAME | |
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| LAST NAME | |
| ADDRESS | |
| Post | Code |
| Telephone: | |
| email: | |
| ECF GRADE ECF CO | DE |
| CLUB ECF Dir | ect No |
| DATE OF BIRTH | |
| SECTION ENTERED | |
| Half Point Bye requested in Round | (not Rd 6) |
| PACKAGE TYPE (including Entry Fee) | £ |
| Discounts: ECF Direct Member £2.5 Junior (U18) £5.0 | |
| DONATION (to help defray expenses) | £ |
| LATE FEE: £5 after 17th May | £ |
| TOTAL | £ |
| Cheques / PO payable to : "Castle Chess" | , |
| Please send completed entry form with fee to: Castle Chess. 51 Borough Way. Potters Bar. He | rts. 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.)