

49th Cotswold Chess Congress



ECF Grand Prix Event

Spring Bank Holiday Weekend

**Sat 27th, Sun 28th & Mon 29th
May 2017**

at

**The King's School,
Gloucester**



Cotswold Congress Entry Form

I wish to enter the OPEN / MAJOR / MINOR tournament (*circle one*)

Enter which Round (1-5) if a half-point bye is requested

Name

Address.....

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Post Code

Email

Telephone (Home)

Telephone (Mobile).....

Club..... Grade.....

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Entry Fee (*payable in advance*)
[Open £35; Major £30; Minor £30]

Under 18s on 27/05/17 may deduct £4 from entry fee
[Please give Date of Birth] (.....)

ECF Members at Silver, Gold or Platinum level on 27/05/17
may deduct £7 (£5 for Juniors) from entry fee (.....)
[ECF Membership No.:]
[ECF Membership Level:]

Donation:
The congress is not sponsored so donations will be much appreciated

Total _____

Please make cheques payable to “Cotswold Chess Congress”

Please send to: Andrew Gilmour, 74 Bath Road, Cheltenham, GL53 7JT

All entries received by Wednesday 24th May 2017 will be acknowledged if an email address or mobile phone number has been provided.

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Saturday 27th May to Monday 29th May 2017

At The King's School, Gloucester GL1 2BG

Enquiries

Andrew Gilmour 01242 253996 dracofelsinae@hotmail.co.uk

Late entries

Entries will be accepted up to midday on Friday 26th May. Acceptance of entries after that time will be at the discretion of the section controllers.

Players with impairments

Please indicate if you have any impairment which requires special circumstances or remedial actions which need to be taken.

Accommodation

Gloucester Tourist Information is at 28, Southgate St, Gloucester, GL1 2DP Tel: 01452 396572 or visit <http://www.thecityofgloucester.co.uk/> to book accommodation online.

Refreshments

The Jungle Café will offer soup, sandwiches, cakes and snacks, hot and cold drinks throughout the day, and a daily lunchtime cooked special including a barbecue on Monday lunchtime.

Bookstall

The congress committee wish to thank The Bude Chess Centre for providing the playing equipment and bookstall for the congress.

<http://www.budechess.co.uk> Email chess@budechess.co.uk Tel: 01288 353070

Venue

The congress committee is very grateful to The King's School, Gloucester for allowing the use of their school hall for this event.

There is ample free parking available in the school grounds.

Disclaimer - The school cannot accept liability for loss or damage arising at the congress.

Smoking is not permitted anywhere on the school premises. Please do not drop litter.

Personal mains electrical equipment is not permitted to be used on the school premises.

Mobile phones must be switched off in and around the playing area.

Directions

King's is situated in the heart of the city, next to the Cathedral. If you are using SatNav please enter 'Gouda Way' - this will bring you directly to the main school entrance and car parks.

For detailed direction please visit the school web site at

<http://www.thekingsschool.co.uk/about-kings/overview/directions/>

Web-site

For further assistance with accommodation and directions, for online entry and for a list of entrants please visit the congress website at <http://cotswoldcongress.co.uk> .

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Tournaments

All 6 round Swiss Entry Fee

OPEN	£35
MAJOR (Grade: Below 155).....	£30
MINOR (Grade: Below 125).....	£30

This is a registered ECF Game Fee event. Players who are current ECF Members at Silver, Gold or Platinum level on the date of the congress may deduct £7 (£5 for juniors) from their entry fee.

(Bronze ECF members should note that their membership will be upgraded to Silver by the ECF following processing of the congress results for grading. Some delay is inevitable, and in the meantime the undiscounted entry fee will apply in any future congresses. Upgrading prior to the congress – online or via the ECF office – is recommended.)

U18s as at 27/05/17 may also deduct £4 from their entry fee.

Ungraded players must provide evidence of their playing strength, including recent results, previous grades, prizes won and a reasonable estimate of grading. Prizes for ungraded players will be at the discretion of the congress committee.

Competitors may request a ½ point bye in any round (except the final round) before the start of the congress.

The congress committee reserve the right to refuse entry and to transfer competitors to other sections and to cancel or split any section at their discretion. If a player has not turned up for their game within 30 minutes of the start time the controllers may re-pair games.

If you are likely to be delayed or cannot turn up for a game, please telephone 07709 246152.

Controllers: K. D. Markey (ECF Arbiter), P. J. Meade and A. Farthing.

Players must abide by the FIDE laws of chess and any decisions made by the controllers in interpretation of the Laws are final.

Prize Money

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
OPEN	£250	£180	£120
MAJOR	£220	£150	£100
MINOR	£220	£150	£100

Other prizes, including grading, junior and book prizes, may be awarded at the discretion of the congress committee depending on the number of entries in each tournament.

Timetable

Saturday 27 th May	Round 1: 10.00am	Round 2: 3.00pm
Sunday 28 th May	Round 3: 10.00am	Round 4: 3.00pm
Monday 29 th May	Round 5: 10.00am	Round 6: 3.00pm

Rate of Play

(Clocks set at 4.30 at the beginning of play). 36 moves in 1½ hours. After Black's 36th move, set clocks back 30 minutes. All further moves are to be made in the time remaining (flag fall at 6.00).