# BRITISH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2011

## 98th Championships of the British Isles

**Organised by the English Chess Federation** 

Increased
Championship
Prizes!!
Reduced
Junior Entry
Fees!!

Ponds Forge
International Sports Centre
Sheaf Street
Sheffield
S1 2BP

Sun 24th July – Sat 6th August 2011







**An English Chess Federation Grand Prix Event** 

Championship events are open only to British Isles subjects or players resident therein for the past year, or those with British Overseas Dependent Territories Citizenship. In Junior Championships, ages relate to 1<sup>st</sup> January 2011 e.g. an Under 10 will be born in 2001 or later. All Junior Championships will include titles for at least one Boy and at least one Girl.

#### **BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP**

Early Entry Fee £200 (£140 U-21) After 4th July fee £225 (£165 U21)

Free to GMs. IMs. WGMs. WIMs.

Players who gained their FM or WFM title during the last 12 months may pay an entry fee reduced by £60.

All of the above apply only to entries postmarked prior to 4<sup>th</sup> July.

This event is open only to exempted or qualified players.

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BRITISH WOMAN CHAMPION: - £500.

Under 21 Champion (18-21): - £250. Under 18 Champion: - £250.

ENGLISH Champion: - £1,500. Woman Champion: - £500.

Alexander Best Game Prize £100.

Most Improved Rating Performances below 2200 £250; 2200-2349 £250.

The Champion's prize includes the Sims Prize; the Woman Champion's prize includes the Lander Prize

Playing Schedule: - Mon 25 July to Fri 5 August (Rest Day Sun 31 July).
 11 rounds, starting 2:15 pm daily, approx 7 hour sessions using FI DE cumulative incremental time

**Play-off:** Should there be a tie for the title after 11 rounds a play-off will take place on Saturday 6 August. 10% of the prize fund due for 1<sup>st</sup> and any subsequent prizes involved in the tie will be held back and distributed following the play-off. The type and length of play-off plus the distribution of prizes will be determined by the number of players involved; full details will be given in the programme. Entry to the Championship is deemed as acceptance of these conditions.

#### BRITISH SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

Early Entry Fee £56 After 4th July fee £66

This event is open to players born in or before 1950

Prizes: - £400; £200; £100

Playing Schedule: - Saturday 30 July - Friday 5 August 7 Rounds, starting 2:15 pm daily, 6 hour sessions

#### **BRITISH GRADED CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Early Entry Fee £40 After 4th July £50

Prizes: - £200: £120: £80.

5 round events starting 9:30 am daily
Under 180/ 2000\* Championship
Under 160/ 1800\* Championship
Under 140/ 1600\* Championship
Under 120/ 1400\* Championship
Under 120/ 1400\* Championship

4 hour sessions
Mon 25 - Fri 29 July
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Under 120/ 1400\* Championship

4 hour sessions
Mon 25 - Fri 29 July
Mon 1 - Fri 5 August

<sup>\*</sup> ECF/Other National Grade (Scotland, Wales or Ireland)

#### BRITISH JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

UNDER 16 to UNDER 10

Prizes:- £200; £120; £80

4 hour sessions

UNDER 16 ~ (born 1995 or later)

UNDER 14 (1997 or later)

UNDER 13 (1998 or later)

UNDER 12 (1999 or later)

UNDER 12 (1999 or later)

Early Entry Fee £25 After 4 July £30

7 rounds starting mainly 9:30 am daily.

Additional afternoon rounds starting 2:45 pm.

Mon 25 July - Sat 30 July + Tues 26 July 2:45 pm

Sun 31 July - Fri 5 Aug + Sunday 31 July 2:45 pm

Mon 25 July - Sat 30 July + Thurs 28 July 2:45 pm

Sun 31 July - Fri 5 Aug + Sun 31 July 2:45 pm

**UNDER 11** (2000 or later) **UNDER 10** (2001 or later)

UNDER 9 (7 rounds)
Prizes: - £100: £60: £40

Sun 31 July - Fri 5 Aug + Sun 31 July 2:45 pm Mon 25 - Fri 29 July + Tues 26 & Thurs 28 July 2:45 pm

Mon 1 - Fri 5 Aug + Tues 2 Aug & Thurs 4 Aug 2:45 pm

Early Entry Fee £10 After 18 July £15
All moves in 1 hour for each player.

Playing Schedule: - Saturday 30 July 12 noon, 2:30 pm, 5 pm.

Sunday 31 July 9:30 am, 12 noon, 2:30 pm, 5 pm.

UNDER 8 (6 rounds) Early Entry Fee £10\* After 18 July £15\* Prizes: - £80; £50; £30 All moves in 30 minutes for each player.

**Playing Schedule: -** Friday 29 July 10 am, 11:30 am, 1 pm, 2:30 pm, 4 pm, 5:30 pm

\* ECF members or members of other national federations may deduct £2

 $^{\sim}$  The Under 15 titles will be incorporated in the Under 16 Event which will be FIDE Rated. Players who are Under 15 will not be eligible for Under 16 titles.

#### **MAJOR OPEN**

#### Early Entry Fee £100 After 4<sup>th</sup> July £125

OPEN TO ALL PLAYERS except those entitled to play in the British Championship Prizes: - £1000; £500; £250; £150; £100

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Best performances relative to FI DE Rating for players over 21 - £150, £100. No player may win more than one complete prize.

Playing Schedule: - Mon 25 July to Fri 5 August (except Sun 31 July).

11 rounds, starting 2:15 pm daily, approx 7 hour sessions using FI DE cumulative incremental time

Players scoring badly may decide to transfer to the 5-Day Afternoon Open after 6 rds.

#### 5 DAY OPEN MORNING TOURNAMENTS

Open to all players

Early Entry Fee £40 After 4 July £50 4 hour sessions

5 rounds, 9:30 am daily

Prizes: - £150; £75; £40

Playing Schedule: -

Week 1 Monday 25 - Friday 29 July. Week 2 I

Week 2 Monday 1 - Friday 5 August.

#### 5 DAY OPEN AFTERNOON TOURNAMENTS

Open to all players

Early Entry Fee £40# After 4 July £50 approx 7 hour sessions 5 rounds, 2:15 pm daily Prizes: - £150; £75; £40

Playing Schedule: -

Week 1 Monday 25 - Friday 29 July. Week 2 Monday 1 - Friday 5 August.

# This event is half price for any player who enters any morning event, or withdraws from the Major Open after 6 rounds.

RAPI DPLAYS (6 rounds) Early Entry Fee £18\* After 18 July £20

Prizes: - £140: £70: GRADING PRIZE - £40

Playing Schedule each event: -

Week 1 Sunday 24 July. Week 2 Sunday 31 July

11 am, 12:20 pm, 1.40 pm, 3:00 pm, 4.20 pm, 5.40 pm

\*£2 deduction for a member of the ECF or other national federation

WEEKENDERS (5 rounds) Early Entry Fee £25 After 18 July £30

Prizes: - £140; £70; £50 Grading Prize £40 4 hour sessions

Playing Schedule: - Friday 29 July 7:00 pm, Saturday 30 July 9:30 am & 2:30 pm,

Sunday 31 July 9:30 am & 2:30 pm.

Atkins Tournament Open to all players

**Soanes Tournament** Open to players under ECF 150 (August 2010 list)/ 1700 **Yates Tournament** Open to players under ECF 125 (August 2010 list)/ 1450

Players may ask to play in a higher section if they so wish. Players may request a ½ point bye in any round. Round One Byes must be claimed on the entry form. Inform your section's Arbiter of any bye to be taken in later rounds.

#### **Rates of Play**

**7 hour sessions (Afternoon events):** 100 minutes for 40 moves followed by 50 minutes for 20 moves, then 15 minutes for the remaining moves with 30 seconds cumulative increment for each move starting from first move

6 hour session (Senior): 40 moves in 2 hours, followed by all moves in 1 hour.

4 hour sessions: 40 moves in 100 minutes followed by all moves in 20 minutes

Rapidplays: 20 minutes + 10 seconds per move

Under 9: All moves in 1 hour Under 8: All moves in 30 minutes

#### CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- 1) No entries can be accepted except on an official entry form. Additional forms can be obtained from the ECF Website or by contacting the ECF Office with a stamped addressed envelope.
- 2) Competitors are expected to maintain acceptable standards of dress & behaviour.
- 3) Prize Winners must attend the appropriate prizegiving for their event as announced in the programme. The main prizegiving will be held on Saturday 6 August at 9.30 am. Failure to attend without the prior permission of the Congress Manager or a Principal Arbiter may result in the forfeiting of the prize concerned.
- 4) Every effort is made to place entrants in the tournament of their choice but the right is reserved to transfer an entry to another appropriate section. The right is reserved to refuse any entry. The Federation may deduct an administration fee from any refund to players who withdraw.
- 5) A player withdrawing during any event without good cause will be liable to pay a full entry fee at any future event organised by the Federation and/or a bond returnable on satisfactory conduct during such events.
- 6) Only food/ drink bought at the playing venue may be consumed within that area.

7) In **all** events other than the two Rapidplays and the Under 8 Championship, English players **MUST** be members of the English Chess Federation. Either quote your membership number on the Entry Form or complete the enclosed Membership Form and pay the appropriate Membership Fee.

Please note that photographs will be taken at the event which may be used for publicity purposes. Any objection by an individual to the same being published should be notified to the event organisers.

The ECF Data Controller is Tina Weddell.

Entry to the Championships is deemed to be acceptance of these conditions.



#### INFORMATION FOR COMPETITORS

**Grades/ Ratings:** - For the British, Major Open, Seniors and Under 16 FIDE ratings take precedence, then British national grades. These 4 events will be FIDE Rated. These Ratings now go down to 1200. For Adult Rapidplay Events, the current ECF Rapidplay grade of category A, B, C or D will take precedence over normal grades. Entry to the Graded Championships will be determined by the 2010 ECF list or appropriate list for non-English players. Ungraded players must give details of any previous grades/ratings held.

**Default time:-** Players arriving 30 (10 for Rapidplay) minutes or more after the start of a session shall lose, unless the arbiter decides otherwise. Repairing will normally be offered after that time.

**Programme:** - A full programme can be downloaded from the website <a href="https://www.britishchess2011.com">www.britishchess2011.com</a> An information leaflet will be available at the venue.

**Bulletins:** - All players in the British Championship will receive daily bulletins as part of their entry fee. A web bulletin will include games and information about most events at the Championships, including all final charts. A daily bulletin will be on sale and will contain a wide range of games from many sections. Competitors may also purchase a Commemorative Bulletin.

**Surcharges:** A £5 surcharge will apply to entries made on the day of an event. **Mobile phones:** - Mobile phones must be switched off in the playing hall. Competitors should avoid bringing phones to the venue. They will be immediately defaulted if their mobile phone makes any sound during play.

**Overlapping events: -** Players may not take part in two tournaments on the same day if the sessions potentially overlap. The following exceptions apply:-

Players may take a  $\frac{1}{2}$  pt bye in a Weekender if they are playing in a morning event. Players may take a  $\frac{1}{2}$  pt bye in the Major Open if they have a junior afternoon round. They must inform the Major Open Controller at least 24 hours in advance.

Players may take a  $\frac{1}{2}$  pt bye in round 7 of the Under 11 (if not in contention for a prize) in order to play in the Under 8 Championship.

Players in the British Championship may take a  $\frac{1}{2}$  pt bye in the junior pm round when playing in both.

Byes: - In non-championship events, a round one bye may be claimed on the entry form. For other rounds, the section controller must be consulted at the event. Competitors in junior events may not take a bye in round 1 of the Major Open. Commentary: - Daily commentary will take place on British Championship games. Coaching for Juniors: - Coaching will be available free to Juniors. Further details will be given in the programme. We are grateful to the John Robinson Trust for allowing us to provide this service.

#### **ABOUT THE VENUE**

Ponds Forge is a world class venue at the heart of the Sheffield community. It is an International Sports Centre with fantastic facilities and exciting opportunities for sport, leisure and entertainment. Having recently completed a refurbishment project, this impressive venue offers a wide range of health & fitness facilities. Ponds Forge is at the south-western side of the major traffic Roundabout Park Square, conveniently placed for access in Sheffield City Centre. Within five to ten minutes walking distance of the bus & train interchange, the complex is also served by the nearby tramstop of Fitzalan Square/Ponds Forge. The Sheffield Parkway is a conveniently placed dual-carriageway that runs directly from Park Square to junction 33 of the M1 motorway.

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

There is a whole range of accommodation in Sheffield available for you. Whether you want 4 star accommodation just a few minutes walk from the venue, contemporary city centre apartments providing fully self-catered facilities, or B&B accommodation on a leafy green University campus within easy reach of the city centre you'll find something to suit your taste and your budget! The tourism team in Sheffield have negotiated some really good rates for you and to make it even easier, if you follow this link you can find out all the details of the different options and book online.

#### https://www.conferencebookings.co.uk/delegate/YSTBRITISHCHESS11

This is the official accommodation booking website for the British Chess Championships. A special allocation of accommodation has been secured with a variety of accommodation providers across the city at negotiated rates. To secure a room from the allocation especially for competitors attending this event, all bookings should be made through the link above.

#### The ECF Office is unable to book accommodation



All other queries to the English Chess Federation, The Watch Oak, Chain Lane, Battle, East Sussex TN33 0YD. Tel: 01424 775222, Fax: 01424 775904.

Email: office@englishchess.org.uk, website: www.englishchess.org.uk

### BRITISH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2011 ENTRY FORM Please enter me for:- (please tick relevant box/es)

Player Details	Event	Enter	Rd 1 bye
	British Championship		
Surname	Senior Champ		
Forename	U180/2000 Champ		
(Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms)	U160/1800 Champ		
Address	U140/1600 Champ		T
	U120/1400 Champ		
_	Under 16 Champ		
Town	Under 14 Champ		
Postcode	Under 13 Champ		
Telephone	Under 12 Champ		
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	Under 10 Champ		
Date of Birth	Under 9 Champ		
FIDE Rating ECF Grade	Under 8 Champ		T
Other Grade Source	Major Open *		
Please circle the figure based on most games	5 day Open a.m. Week 1		
ECF (or own national)	5 day Open p.m. Week 1		
Membership Number	5 day Open a.m. Week 2		
ECF Grading Code	5 day Open p.m. Week 2		
Expiry date/	Rapidplay 24 <sup>th</sup> July		
Nationality	Rapidplay 31 <sup>st</sup> July		
FIDE Federation	Weekender Atkins		
	Weekender Soanes		
Email Address	Weekender Yates		
If eligible for a woman's or girl's prize please tick of		I	
* If entering the Major Open please tick if willing to move to the British Championship			

If a British Championship entrant please state how qualified ......

Tournament Entry Fee(s)	£
# ECF Membership – please attach enclosed Membership form	£
Entry on the day surcharge	£
* Donation (Thank You)	£
Less ECF (or other National) member discount on Rapidplays/ Under 8 Championship	£
Total enclosed	£

# Membership of the ECF is required of all English residents who play in any event except Adult Rapidplays and Under 8 Championship.

Email BritChessChamp@yahoo.co.uk

The entry fees include VAT at 20%. ECF VAT Registration Number: 195643626.

Entries MUST include the appropriate payment. Entry charges are calculated according to the day on which payment is made. Cheques/postal orders should be crossed and made payable to the English Chess Federation and sent with this entry form to the Congress Secretary.

Payment by Visa/MasterCard Debit my Visa/MasterCard £
Credit cards only – no Debit Cards
Expiry Date /
Or use PayPal on-line by sending an email to paypal@englishchess.org.uk
(applies to PayPal account holders only)
Name & Address of Cardholder
Card details should not be sent online. Download the form and send it in.  Declaration: - I wish to enter and am eligible for the tournaments named and have read and understood the entrance conditions of these Championships.
Signed
(Competitor or Parent/Guardian/Representative)
Please return this form to the Congress Secretary: Roger Edwards,
British Chess Championships, PO Box 2701, Stoke-on-Trent, ST6 9AL, U.K.



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