

Manchester Chess Federation Summer Congress

Friday 17 Aug. - Sunday 19 Aug.

Tournaments: Open. Major Under 165. Knights Under 125.

Free parking ECF Graded University Accommodation

Prizes all Sections First £500 Second £250 Third £120

Grading Prizes Open £60 Under 185 Major £60 Under 145 Knights £60 Under 110

ENTRY FEE £41. £33 For ECF Silver & higher members

£5 reduction for players born after 31-Aug-2000

Closing date. The last date for entering is Thursday 16 Aug. You cannot enter on the day.

Late entry fee. £5 Payable if postmarked or emailed after Friday 12 Aug.

Withdrawal. If you tell us before Friday 17 Aug we will refund your entry fee.

Entry Rules Phone entries are not accepted. Email entries are accepted and can pay on arrival.

ENTRANTS. A list will be available at Bolton chess club web site, boltonchessclub.webs.com/apps/blog/ from July 17 onwards

TIMETABLE Rd 1 Friday 6.45. Rd 2 & 3 Sat 9.45 & 2.30. Rd 4 & 5 Sun 9.45 & 2.30
Prizegiving Sun 6.30 *There is a £3 admin charge on all prizes not collected at the prizegiving.*

RATINGS We use long play grades current at the start of the event. If you have no current grade we use your last ECF grade. Players who have never had a grade must send us information on their playing ability at least seven days before the event starts. Players not submitting information must play in the open

MOVE RATE. 80 minutes on the clock. Every time you press your clock you gain 30 seconds.

DEFAULT TIME. 30 minutes after the round starts when players with no opponent will be re-paired

TOURNAMENT CONDITIONS. The organisers decision is final in all disputes. We reserve the right to refuse entries without stating a reason.

VENUE. Owens Park, 293 Wilmslow Road M14 6HD. Owens Park is a large University complex, three miles south of the City centre. Car parking is in Richmond Park, entrance on Whitworth Lane M14 6HF. The event will be played in Little Court, close to main reception.

BOOKSTALL BY CHESS DIRECT. Andrew Butterworth P.O. Box 18 Mexborough South Yorkshire S64 9AR Tel 01709 890565 Web Site <http://www.chessdirect.co.uk>.

ENTRY FORM : Name _____ Grade _____

Address _____ Post Code _____

Section _____ Phone No _____ Club _____

Email _____ Donation £ _____

Half point bye Round No ____ Entry Fee inc late fees and reductions £ _____

Accommodation. Please circle if needed Fri Sat Sun Total nights _____

Grand Total £ _____

Mail the entry form to the congress director Harry Lamb 134 Junction Road Bolton BL3 4NQ or email to gmccacongress@yahoo.co.uk. Make cheques payable to MCF Congress. Our preferred payment method is internet banking but for security reasons please email us for our bank details. Email entries pay on arrival.

Please Turn Over

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Refreshments Accommodation and Dining

REFRESHMENTS. The campus café is a few yards away and will be open Saturday and Sunday. The café offers tea coffee and cheap good quality lunches. You are also welcome to bring your own refreshments but please remove your litter.

Accommodation

There is a wide choice of accommodation: -

Student style on site accommodation.

Accommodation at the venue. £39 per night Student style rooms. Large size rooms. Not en-suite. Full English breakfast. You can also stay Sunday night when the breakfast will be continental. Accommodation must be booked and paid for before Friday Aug 12. If you cancel before August 12 we give a full refund. Accommodation will be in Ashburne hall. The same hall as last year.

This accommodation must be booked on the entry form via the congress director

Chancellors Hotel - On site three star Hotel

This hotel is owned by the university. Details on the hotel's website at <https://secure.chancellorshotel.co.uk/>

Book through the Hotel website or a travel agents website

Local Hotels

Google "Hotels in Wilmslow road Manchester". There is a reasonable selection. Summer is off peak so you can usually pick up some good deals. Check the address street number to see how close you are to our venue.

Book yourself on the internet

Central Manchester Hotels

There are many "chain" hotels in the Portland street area of Manchester. Ibis, Premier Inn, Travel Lodge, Britannia. The Britannia is especially good value. All are within walking distance of Piccadilly train station and on the main bus route to Owens park

Book yourself on the internet

Dining

At the main entrance to Owens Park there are many takeaways, restaurants and pubs. The venue is within walking distance of Manchester's famous "Curry Mile". For more details see https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Curry_Mile.

Central Manchester is a major tourist city with a very good night life and excellent restaurants, including the celebrated Chinatown area. There is a frequent bus service to the city centre from the venue.