Chief Organiser

All entries and enquiries:

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Arbiters

Adam Raoof (Chief Arbiter), Norman Went and Michael Flatt

Online Entry

Enter Online at www.southendchesscongress.org.uk.

The Congress organisers reserve the right to refuse any entry without assigning a reason. No refunds.

Donations

The Congress does not have a sponsor so **donations** will be particularly welcome, to help cover expenses and maintain standards.

Accommodation

See www.visitsouthend.co.uk Tel: 01702 618747

ECF Membership

Available from www.englishchess.org.uk Tel: 01424 775222

Analysis

No analysis shall be allowed in the playing area. A separate area shall be provided for analysis.

Website

www.southendchesscongress.org.uk Early online entry is advised. Pairings, results and games will be published here and at chess-results.com

Refreshments

Light refreshments will be on sale during the congress kindly provided by yElena Went.

Late Arrival and Re-Pairing

Default time will be 30 minutes for all games. Players without an opponent will be re-paired if possible.

Prizes

Where ties occur, prize money will be shared. Ties for any trophies will be resolved by the Sum of Progressive Scores and, if necessary, the Sum of Opponents' Scores.

David Wood Junior Prize

In addition to other prizes the sum of £75 will be provided by the **David Wood Memorial Trust**, for the best performances by Essex Juniors (Under 18 on 31 Aug 2017).

Hours of Play ALL TOURNAMENTS

Round 1: Friday 11:00 am
Round 2: Friday 4:00 pm
Round 3: Saturday 11:00 am
Round 4: Saturday 4:00 pm
Round 5: Sunday 11:00 am
Round 6: Sunday 4:00 pm
Round 7: Monday 11:00 am

Travel Information

Southend Adult Community College, Ambleside Drive, Southend-on-Sea, Essex SS1 2UN. **By rail**: 200 yards from **Southend East** station (c2c Line).

Parking:

Large free car park on site.





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ALL SECTIONS 30 March-2 April 2018

Online entry:
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British Championships qualifier
£2000+ minimum Prize Fund
Supported by the Essex Chess
Association

Southend FIDE Open

7 rounds FIDE-rated Swiss

Rate of play: All moves in 90 minutes, plus 30 seconds a move from the start. *Equates to a four hour session.*

Prizes

1st: £800 / 2nd: £500 / 3rd: £200

Rating / Grading Prize(s) according to entry

Titled players - free entry for GMs and IMs,

British Championship Qualifying

See British Championship Qualification regulations on the ECF Website.

Entry Fees: Southend FIDE Open

- FIDE Open Rated £ 45.00 GBP
- FIDE Open Unrated £ 50.00 GBP
- FIDE Open Senior 60+ £ 40.00 GBP
- FIDE Open Junior U16 £ 30.00 GBP

ECF Membership

All English entrants in the Open must be at least Gold members of the English Chess Federation. ECF membership in other sections is optional but will save you money!

FIDE ID Number

All non-ENG players MUST supply a FIDE ID Number with entry from ratings.fide.com

Essex Championship

The highest placed eligible competitor in the Open will be awarded the title of Essex Champion for 2017-18.

ECF Tournaments

Four sections: U170, U145, U120, U95 7 rounds ECF-graded Swiss Tournaments

Rate of play: All moves in 90 minutes, plus 30 seconds a move from the start. *Equates to a four hour session.*

- Leigh-on-Sea U170
- Westcliff U145
- Southchurch U120
- Thorpe Bay U95

Prizes in each section

£150 / £75 / £40

Grading Prizes according to entry

Entry Fees: ECF SECTIONS

- Bronze/ Non-Member £ 47.00
- Silver+ Member £ 40.00

TWO Byes Available (All Sections)

TWO half point byes are available in any of round(s) 1-6, provided this is requested at time of entry.

Prize Giving

All prizes will be awarded by bank transfer. There will not be a prize giving ceremony.

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Cheques should be payable to: Adam Raoof
SECTION
First name:
Surname:
Address:
Postcode:
Email:
Club:
Date of Birth:
ECF Grade: FIDE Code:
If not FIDE rated or ECF graded, give below details of playing strength:
ECF Member No:
FIDE ID Number:
(English players in the Southend Open must be Gold ECF members or higher. Non-ENG must supply a FIDE ID Number)
Up to 2 Half Point Byes (Rounds)
I enclose entry for:
Southend FIDE Open £
ECF Tournaments £
ADD Donation £(Thank you)
Total £
Entry on the day will cost an additional £5.

Send to: Adam Raoof, 328 Watford Way, Hendon, London