

ENTRY FORM

Name _____

Address _____

Postcode _____

Telephone (Home) _____ (Mobile) _____

Club _____

Grade** _____ Source** _____

Date of Birth (necessary for grading purposes) _____

ECF Grading Code (if known) _____

ECF Membership Number (if applicable) _____

Half-Point Bye Required (Round Number) _____

TOURNAMENT	REQUIREMENTS:	Tick tournament you wish to enter
OPEN	Open to all	
MAJOR	Open to those graded 170 or below	
INTERMEDIATE	Open to those graded 145 or below	
MINOR	Open to those graded 125 or below	

**Other systems' grades will be converted to an ECF grade using standard formulae.

Please enclose stamped addressed envelope if acknowledgement of entry and/or venue location plan required. (Please indicate which.)



FEES ENCLOSED

▪ Entry Fee	£ 32
▪ Late Fee (see Payment section for details)	£
▪ Optional Donation	£
▪ £5 deduction for Juniors born after 31 st August 1998	-£
▪ ECF platinum, gold or silver membership deduction of £7.50. (See "Payments and Entries" section.)	-£
TOTAL:	£

We aim to ensure hot drinks etc are available during the event, but regret canteen refreshments will not be available on site this year.

The Twenty-Sixth Doncaster Chess Congress

Hall Cross School, Thorne Road, Doncaster DN1 2HY
23rd to 25th February 2018

	Higher first prize this year.	
Game Fee		ECF Grand Prix

For All Tournaments: Entry Fee: £32
Prizes: £300, £150, £100
Plus Three Grading Prizes of £25

OPENING CEREMONY

Friday 23rd February 18:55hrs

TIMES OF PLAY

Friday	23 rd	February	19:00 - 23:00	Round 1
Saturday	24 th	February	09:30 - 13:30	Round 2
			14:30 - 18:30	Round 3
Sunday	25 th	February	09:30 - 13:30	Round 4
			14:30 - 18:30	Round 5
			19:10 (Approx)	Prize-Giving

RULES:

- All tournaments will be five rounds Swiss and all entrants will be expected to play each round. Players may claim a half-point bye for any one round at the time of entry.
- The ECF Jan 2018 list will be the primary source for determining eligibility for grade-restricted sections. However, the organisers reserve the right to use other printed grading lists where deemed appropriate. Players entering before the Jan 2018 list is published will be moved up a section(s) if their Jan 2018 ECF grade is above the upper limit for the section they originally entered.
- Ungraded players must give an indication of their playing strength where possible at the time of entry (e.g. recent congress results). Organisers reserve the right to transfer any entrant from one tournament to another. The event is ECF game fee registered and results will be submitted for grading purposes.
- Ungraded players will not be eligible for grading prizes unless they provide acceptable evidence of their playing strength.
- *Phones are allowed in the venue but must be switched off during play.* Penalties for phones sounding, up to loss of the game, will be determined by controllers, according to circumstances. No smoking is allowed inside the school building or in the grounds.
- In all matters the organisers' decision is final. The organisers exercise their right to reduce the prize fund in the event of insufficient entries.

RATE OF PLAY

Each player has 2 hours in which to complete all their moves.
(A change for 2018.)

Visit the **CHESSE DIRECT Ltd** Bookstall at the Doncaster Congress. A full range of Chess goods will be on sale throughout the Congress for individuals, clubs and schools. We offer discounts for quantity purchases and a full mail order service in addition to our Congress Bookstall. The equipment used at the Doncaster Congress is provided by **CHESSE DIRECT Ltd**, PO Box 18, Mexborough, S64 9AR
tel: (01709) 890565 www.chessdirect.co.uk email: info@chessdirect.co.uk

PAYMENT and ENTRIES

POSTAL ENTRIES

Completed entry forms, with cheques or postal orders payable to **DONCASTER CHESS CONGRESS**, should be sent to the Entry Secretary:
STEVE MANN
3 RIDGE ROAD, ROTHERHAM, S YORKSHIRE, S65 1PG
Tel: (01709) 379 209
Postal entries postmarked after 19th February 2018, will be deemed "late".

E-MAIL ENTRIES

Full entry details may be submitted by e-mail to sjmann@gmx.co.uk.
E-mail entries will be acknowledged to confirm receipt.
A following postal payment, by cheque or postal order as above, is preferred; failing that, payment must be made at the congress by the end of round 2, to permit continued participation.
E-mail entries received after 19th February 2018 will be deemed "late".

LATE ENTRIES

Late entries received prior to 23rd February 2018 will be subject to a surcharge of £2.
Entries accepted on Friday 23rd Feb. will be subject to a £5 surcharge.

ECF MEMBERSHIP

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 £7.50 from their entry fee.

DISABLED and ENQUIRIES

Could disabled entrants contact the Entry Secretary about any special requirements. Any other enquires should also be directed to Steve Mann using the contact details above.

For Accommodation details contact Doncaster Tourist Information Centre
Tel: 01302 734 309 Email: tourist.information@doncaster.gov.uk