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LA14 2PW
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Tourism Barrow-in-Furness: https://www.barrowbc.gov.uk/visitors/accommodation/	



The Town Hall
Duke St
Barrow-in-Furness
Cumbria LA14 2LD

Chess Entrances at the
Front and Back of the
building.

Tel:01229 260002

Travel by Road

Leave the M6 J36 from
the North and South.
Follow directions for
Barrow on the A590 and
signs for the town
centre.

Barrow Town Hall is
opposite the Holiday Inn
Express.

Travel by Rail

Barrow can be reached
via the West Coast Main
line via Lancaster in the
South and Carlisle in the
North.
Barrow railway station
is 10 minute walk from
the venue.

**27th SOUTH LAKES OPEN
CHESS CONGRESS
29th, 30th & 31st May 2026
The Town Hall
Barrow-in-Furness, Cumbria**



**A 5 Round Swiss Event - 3 Sections
Open, Major, Minor**



ECF GRAND PRIX EVENT

- ❖ **Hosting the NCCU Individual Championships**
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ENTRY FORM

To: Mr T R Blower, 18 Blackbutts Lane, Barrow-in-Furness
Cumbria, LA14 3AP. Tel: 01229 472100
email: trevorblower87@gmail.com

Section _____ Entry Fee _____

(The Organisers reserve the right to move a player into a different section if the May 2026 rating is significantly different from previous ratings)

Round Bye Required (if applicable) _____

ECF Rating _____ DOB _____

ECF Rating No _____

ECF Member Type: Bronze/Gold/Platinum (delete as required)

ECF Membership No _____

Name _____

Address _____
Postcode _____

Telephone No _____ email address _____

Club _____

Donation to Congress Expenses _____

Enclosed Cheque/Postal Order
(Payable to 'South Lakes Chess Congress') £.....

Players can enter by email & pay on arrival. For on-line entry follow the link:
<https://barrowchess.club/27th-south-lakes-open-chess-congress/>

Chess Essentials will be present with a chess stall
Contact details 07914885976
Email: chessbooksuk@hotmail.co.uk

TOURNAMENT SECTIONS

OPEN *Open to all players*

MAJOR *Restricted to players Rated 1975 and below*

MINOR *Restricted to players Rated 1675 and below*

Entry Fee *£45 all Sections*
Gold ECF Members Entry fee minus £15.00
Bronze ECF Members Entry fee (this will upgrade you to Gold)
Non-ECF Members Entry fee (fee includes 'pay-to-play')

Prizes *1st £300, 2nd £150, 3rd £75 all Sections*
Rating Prizes: At least two per section
Dependent on the level of entries

Best Placed Cumbria player prize for each section (no player may win more than one prize)

Entries By: 27th May 2026
Late Entries: At the discretion of the organisers and subject to £1 surcharge

TIMETABLE

Opening	Friday	18.50
Round 1	Friday	19.00-23.00
Round 2	Saturday	09.30-13.30
Round 3	Saturday	14.30-18.30
Round 4	Sunday	09.30-13.30
Round 5	Sunday	14.30-18.30

Rate of Play: Time control is 1 hour 50 minutes for all moves with a 10 second increment on each move.

Byes: Players may take two ½ point byes and in any round A 5th round bye must be asked for by Friday latest

Re-pairing: Players will be defaulted/re-paired after 30 minutes

Congress Conditions

All prizes subject to number of entries.

No prize winning ceremony; prizes will be sent post congress.

All decisions of the organisers pertaining to the congress shall be final.

Mr T R Blower Tel: 01229 47210