

# HULL GRANDMASTER CHALLENGE 2018



**A Simultaneous Exhibition**

by

**British Women's Champion**

**WGM Jovanka Houska**

**Royal Hotel, Hull : Sunday 8th July 2018,**

**13.00 -17.00**



Hull and District Chess Association : Registered Charity Number 1155858

# *WGM Jovanka Houska*



We are very pleased that Jovanka Houska has agreed to undertake the fifth Grandmaster Challenge in Hull. Born in South London, seven-time British women's champion Jovanka Houska became an International Master in 2005, lured by the thrill of checkmate she has since then devoted herself to chess! She has represented England in 18 team championships, winning a silver medal for her performance on board one in Iceland, 2015. In 2006 she became the first female to win the prestigious English Player of the year title after her participation in the Women's World Championship.

Jovanka has written three chess books and in 2016 co-authored a romantic novel set in the chess world called "The Mating Game." When she is not playing, writing or commentating on chess; you will probably find her on a plane somewhere above the North Sea splitting her time between her homes in Bergen and the UK.

## *Further Information*

This is the fifth in the series of Hull Grandmaster Challenge. An article on previous events has been published in Chess Magazine, Oct. 2017. Information on previous events can be found at [www.hullchess.com](http://www.hullchess.com)

The simultaneous exhibition will be played in the Edwardian Suite at the Royal Hotel Hull (located at the train station in Hull) on Sunday 8th July 2018, between 13.00 and 17.00. Players must be present by 12.50.

For the first person to beat Jovanka there is a copy of Fritz 16, kindly donated by Chess Direct. If no one beats Jovanka the prize will go to the person with the lowest grade (YCA current year grade) to draw. Last year, against Michael Adams the prize was won by David Stothard of Hull Chess Club.

Participation in the simultaneous will be by pre-booking only, and can be made by contacting Stephen Greep, General Secretary, Hull and District Chess Association, at [secretary@hullchess.com](mailto:secretary@hullchess.com). The cost is £15 (£10 for juniors), cheques to Hull and District Chess Association.

