HULL GRANDMASTER CHALLENGE 2019



A Simultaneous Exhibition by

British Grandmaster Simon Williams



Edwardian Suite, Royal Hotel, Hull: Sunday 7th July 2019, 13.00 -17.00

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GM Simon Williams



We are very pleased that Simon Williams has agreed to undertake the sixth Hull Grandmaster Challenge. Simon Williams is a chess Grandmaster who runs his own publishing company, GingerGM. Simon works as a chess commentator at tournaments and various online events. Some of the events Simon has commentated on include, Gibraltar, Isle of Man, Qatar and the Pro-Chess league. He has worked on various projects for Chess.com and Chessbase and has a YouTube channel with 35,000 subscribers. In 2008 he founded the chess media publishing company GingerGM with Simon Ansell. The company prints books, eBooks and DVDs. Simon became a Grandmaster in 2008 at the age of 28. His peak rating is 2550. Simon was former British Blitz champion in 2005 and has finished second in the Classical British Championships on two occasions.

Further Information

This is the sixth in the series of the Hull Grandmaster Challenge (previous opponents have been GM's Gawain Jones, David Howell, Luke McShane and Michael Adams and WGM Jovanka Houska). An article on previous events has been published in Chess Magazine, Oct. 2017. Information on previous events can also be found at 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 7th July 2019, between 13.00 and 17.00. Players must be present by 12.50. Players will have the black pieces and be allowed three passes (more when there are five players or more left, only at the GM's discretion).

For the first person to beat Simon there is a copy of Fritz 16, kindly donated by Chess Direct. If no one beats Simon the prize will go to the person with the lowest grade (ECF current year grade) to draw. If no one manages a draw the prize will go to the last player standing! Last year, against WGM Jovanka Houska the prize was won by David Stothard of Hull Chess Club.



Participation in the simultaneous will be by booking only, and this can be done online at www.hullchess.com or by contacting Jo Hutchinson (johutchinson69@gmail.com). The cost is £15 (£10 for juniors), payable online or cheques to Hull and District Chess Association.



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