

## Castle Chess News:

Now in our 8th Year of Castle Chess we record that more than 150 individuals played in one or more of our events during 2015. (Up to June 2015)

We look forward to improving these numbers in 2016.

Castle Chess will endeavor to find venues with quality and a character of their own which will put your chess playing in a comfortable and friendly environment.

Castle Chess Grand Prix: 50p of each entry fee received will be put into the prize fund and awarded to Castle Chess players who earn the highest total of game points in our 2016 Congress events.

Castle Chess send all results to the ECF for grading.

Under rules of the English Chess Federation all players must become Silver, Gold or Platinum members of the Federation to enjoy the full benefits of Congress Discounts. These Silver or Gold members will be able to claim a £6 discount for this congress.

Anyone entering 6 weekend Castle Chess events during 2016 will be awarded a £30 loyalty voucher towards a 2017 Castle Chess event.

## Castle Chess WINCHESTER Winners 2015

OPEN/PREMIER : Timothy Davis (Basingstoke)

MAJOR: Richard Beckett (Bicester)

INTERMEDIATE:

George Georgiou (Swindon) Rod Langham (Wantage)

MINOR: William Curry (Fareham), Graeme Ford (Salisbury)

CHALLENGER: Alan Bloom (Willesden)

## Castle Chess Grand Prix LEADERS May 15

1st Colin Gardiner (Newmarket) 14.55 pts

2nd Jennifer Goldsmith (Harrow) 12.5 pts

3rd= Richard Desmedt (Wombwell) 11.5 pts

Your enjoyment at a chess congress is our main concern.

Please ask and, if possible, we shall do our best to make it happen.

### ACCOMMODATION AND VENUE:

Holiday Inn: Telegraph Way

Winchester, SO21 1HZ

0871 942 9188

[www.hiwinchester.co.uk](http://www.hiwinchester.co.uk)

Castle Chess invites chess players for a weekend's congress in a superb playing venue. The Holiday Inn, is a 4.5 star hotel, which is situated in rolling Hampshire countryside close to the South Downs.

This is our best modern hotel in the Castle Chess schedule and should not be missed.

It is only a 15 minutes' drive from Southampton Airport and an hour's drive from London. **From the South:** The hotel is situated off the M3 at Junction 10, following the A31. **From the North:** Come off at Junction 9 on the M3.A31 Alton/ A272 Petersfield. Alresford. Left onto Alresford Rd B34094. Turn immediately left into Telegraph Way. Winchester town centre is 2 miles away.

The bedrooms are spacious and if you prefer an upgrade to a suite this may also be possible.

Next door to the hotel there are many activities at the INTECH Science Centre and Planetarium.

Wi-Fi internet access is available, but charged, in public areas, bedrooms and meeting rooms.

**There is ample free parking on site**

**BOOKING ACCOMMODATION:** This should be done through Castle Chess to gain the best rates in this splendid hotel. There are 30 rooms reserved by us until 8th December. Early booking is advised.

**PACKAGE TYPES:** (Entry Fee is included)

B&B only

"A" Single 1 night £ 105

"B" Single 2 nights £ 170

"C" Single 3 nights £ 235

"D" Twin 1 night £ 85 per person

"E" Twin 2 nights £ 130 per person

"F" Twin 3 nights £ 175 per person

Non-Players may deduct £40 from the cost of their room.

Entry Fee only: £40 (incl tea/coffee)



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## 4th Winchester Congress

in a hotel venue

FRIDAY, SATURDAY, SUNDAY  
8 - 9 - 10 January 2016

ECF Game Fee Registered  
ENGLISH CHESS FEDERATION  
2015/16 Grand Prix Event

3 Sections - 6 Round Swiss

OPEN - Unrestricted  
including Premier U180  
MAJOR - Under 160  
including Intermediate U140  
MINOR - Under 120  
including Challengers U100

The Castle Controlling Team :  
Tony Corfe (ECF Arbiter), Marc Shaw  
Barbara Corfe  
Non-Smoking Congress

Players are eligible to win points in one, or more, of the “English Chess Federation 2016 Graded Grand Prix”.

CONGRESS - 6 round Swiss Tournament

PRIZES: £150 per section - Guaranteed, plus at least one grading prize in each section.

ENTRY FEE - (without accommodation) - £40

CONGRESS DISCOUNTS - Junior (U18) £6.00  
ECF Silver or Gold Members (Number supplied) £6.00

PRIZE CONDITIONS: Each section’s prize fund is guaranteed as long as we run the section. The overall fund will be increased if the total number of adult entrants exceeds 60 players. This will be awarded pro rata to each event based on their numbers. All cash prizes will be shared, but players will only be eligible to win one prize.

UNGRADED players may only win 1/3 of any prize, in any section except in the OPEN!. A graded player will be in the ECF list (Standard or Rapidplay) with a code A to F. or other national list.

WITHDRAWALS: A deduction of £6 will be made from any refund unless carried forward to a future **Castle Chess** event. Accommodation booked will have to be paid for unless 24 hours notice has been given.

LATE ARRIVALS: Players will be allowed 30 minutes on their clock, after the scheduled round start time, before being defaulted. Re-pairing will take place if at all possible.

ENTRY CONDITIONS: The organisers reserve the right to refuse an entry, without assigning a reason, or to cancel or merge sections.

PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN AT THE EVENT may be used for publicity purposes. Players should advise the organisers if they wish not to have their photographs published. The ECF Data Protection Officer is John Philpott at the time of going to press.

DISPUTES: Appeals against the Arbiter’s decisions will be resolved by an appeals committee. In all other matters the organiser’s decisions are final.

BOOKSTALL: A bookstall may be supplied by Tournament Chess Supplies. Please call 01 707 659080 for specific requests.

## PLAYING SCHEDULE

### Friday (8th Jan)

Rd 1 : 19:00 to 22:30

\*The Players Review is an open forum that allows competitors to comment on the current congress and suggest any improvements for future **Castle Chess** events.

### RATE OF PLAY:

36 moves in 90 minutes plus 15 minutes QPF  
*Players may ask for up to two byes*

### EVENT ENQUIRIES:

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email: [tony@tcs-chess.demon.co.uk](mailto:tony@tcs-chess.demon.co.uk)

or Marc Shaw 07947 813303

## Calendar of Castle Events 2015

1st Harrogate (6 rnds) 9-11 Oct Old Swan Hotel  
7th Dudley (6 rnds) 20-22Nov Quality

## Calendar of Castle Events 2016

4th Winchester (6rnds) 8-10 Jan Holiday Inn  
9th Portsmouth (6 rnds) 18-20 Sept Lysses House Hotel (Fareham)  
8th Hereford (6 rnds) 11 - 13 Mar Green Dragon Hotel  
10th Portsmouth (6 Rnds) 14 - 16 Oct Lysses House Hotel (Fareham)

Visit our website at [www.castlechess.co.uk](http://www.castlechess.co.uk)

Late Fee applies 7 days before event



Corfe Castle, Swanage, Dorset

## ENTRY FORM Winchester Jan 2016

FIRST NAME .....

LAST NAME .....

ADDRESS .....

.....Post Code.....

Telephone: .....

email:.....

ECF GRADE..... ECF CODE .....

CLUB.....

ECF Membership Type .....

DATE OF BIRTH .....

SECTION ENTERED .....

Half Point Bye requested in Round(s) .....(not Rd 6)

**Entry Fee Only £ 40 - 00**

Accommodation PACKAGE TYPE  
(which includes Entry Fee)\_\_\_\_\_ £ .....

Accommodation: Arrival night\_\_\_\_\_

No of Nights \_\_\_\_\_

Discounts:  
ECF Silver/Gold Member £6.00  
Junior (U18) £6.00 £ .....

DONATION  
(to help defray expenses) £ .....

LATE FEE: £6 after 24th Dec £ .....

TOTAL £ .....

**Cheques / PO payable to : “Castle Chess”**

**If not paying online**, please send completed entry form with fee to: Castle Chess, 3 Greer Road, Harrow Weald, Harrow, HA3 6JF

**Card payment** accepted over the telephone for a fee of 5%. Tel: 01707 659080 (9 a.m. to 9 p.m.)

**PAYMENT ONLINE:PLEASE USE THE FOLLOWING CODE:**  
**16WINC - first 4 letters of Surname - first 4 letters of First Name.**  
**eg: 16WINC-Corfe-Tony**  
**TSB: Sort Code: 30-16-64 Acct No. 00361605**  
**Acct Name: AC Corfe (Chess)**