

## Other Information

The event is being held at a new venue, the King Edward VII Memorial Hall, on the High Street, Newmarket. If you have been to our previous events at the Turner Hall, it is a short walk away. Free tea and coffee will be available.

A half-point bye may be claimed in one of rounds 1-4, if requested on the entry form.

If you have no current FIDE rating or ECF grade, please provide an indication of your approximate current playing strength on a separate piece of paper. This should include your most recent rating or grade, if any, and year it was achieved, and any rating or grade either currently or previously held with a body other than FIDE or the ECF.

For determining eligibility to enter the ECF Under-170 and Under-130 sections, grades used will be those at January 2018. Ungraded players will be allowed to play in these sections, provided the Congress Organisers are satisfied that their current playing strength meets the relevant limit.

The FIDE-Rated Open section will be both FIDE rated and ECF graded. The ECF Under-170 and Under-130 sections will be ECF graded only.

No player may win more than one monetary prize. Ungraded players may not win a grading prize.

## Enquiries, Entries & Payment

If you have any questions, please contact Richard Freeman on 01908-234014 or 07961-121010, or email him at [richard@fcasolutions.co.uk](mailto:richard@fcasolutions.co.uk).

Entry may be made by post to Richard Freeman at 44 Kelling Way, Broughton, Milton Keynes, MK10 9NW, or by email to him at [richard@fcasolutions.co.uk](mailto:richard@fcasolutions.co.uk). If entering by email, please either attach a completed entry form, or include all the information requested on the entry form.

If enclosing payment with a posted entry form, please make cheques payable to 'East Anglian Chess Union'.

Payment may be made through online banking using the EACU bank account number 80334499 and sort code 20-17-19. If using this method, please quote your name as the payment reference and email your details to [richard@fcasolutions.co.uk](mailto:richard@fcasolutions.co.uk)

All entries postmarked on or before 19 May 2018, or received electronically on or before that date, will be entitled to a £3.00 Early Entry Discount.

All entrants in the FIDE-Rated Open who are registered with FIDE as English and are not either Gold or Platinum members of the ECF must pay a surcharge of £10.00.

In the ECF Under-170 and Under-130 sections, all ECF Bronze Members or non-ECF Members must pay a surcharge of £7.50. This upgrades Bronze membership to Silver membership, and for non-members represents the ECF's 'pay to play' fee.

# THE EAST ANGLIAN CHESS UNION'S FIRST FIDE-RATED CHESS CONGRESS

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> – Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2018**  
at

**King Edward VII Memorial Hall,  
High Street, Newmarket, Suffolk,  
CB8 8JP (new venue)**

**A Five-Round Swiss Tournament  
with three sections:  
FIDE-Rated Open  
ECF Under-170  
ECF Under-130**

**The FIDE-Rated Open is part of the  
2018 British Championship  
Qualifying Grand Prix**

**All three sections are part of the  
EACU 2017-18 Grand Prix**

Chief Controller – Adrian Elwin, FIDE  
Arbiter

## Sections, Prizes & Entry Fees

FIDE-Rated Open – open to all players.

Entry fee: £35.00

Prizes: 1<sup>st</sup> £160; 2<sup>nd</sup> £120; 3<sup>rd</sup> £80.

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ECF Under-170 – open to players graded below 170 ECF.

Entry fee: £30.00

Prizes: 1<sup>st</sup> £120; 2<sup>nd</sup> £90; 3<sup>rd</sup> £60.

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ECF Under-130 – open to players graded below 130 ECF.

Entry fee: £25.00

Prizes: 1<sup>st</sup> £90; 2<sup>nd</sup> £70; 3<sup>rd</sup> £50.

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An early entry discount is available, and surcharges are payable by players not meeting minimum ECF membership requirements – see the *Enquiries, Entries & Payment* section for details.

Subject to entries, other prizes may be added, and will be announced prior to the start of the second round.

## Times and Rates of Play

Round 1 Friday 1 June 2018 start 7:00 pm  
Round 2 Saturday 2 June 2018 start 10:00 am  
Round 3 Saturday 2 June 2018 start 2:30 pm  
Round 4 Sunday 3 June 2018 start 10:00 am  
Round 5 Sunday 3 June 2018 start 2:30 pm

Rate of play: 40 moves in 90 minutes, followed by 15 minutes to finish the game, with an increment of 15 seconds per move from move 1.

All events are Swiss competitions, not knockouts.

## CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

In all matters, the Chief Controller's decision shall be final.

It is a condition of entry that players agree to their grading information being published on the English Chess Federation (ECF) Website.

The Organisers reserve the right to transfer players from one section to another or to refuse entry to any player without giving any reason, and to merge sections and/or to increase or reduce the prize fund and its distribution depending upon entries.

Any player arriving more than 30 minutes later than the scheduled start time for any round will be defaulted that game, and their opponent re-paired if possible.

Mobile phones must be switched off in the playing area, and must not be on a player's person at any time during their game. Any player whose mobile phone makes any sound during play, or who is found to be using or consulting any device capable of suggesting chess moves, will be immediately defaulted that game.

## ENTRY FORM

I wish to enter the following section:

FIDE Open / ECF U-170 / ECF U-130

Name.....

Address.....

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Telephone .....

Email .....

Club .....

Date of birth (required) .....

ECF Membership Number .....

Membership Level .....

Federation (if not ECF) .....

ECF Grade (Jan 2018) .....

ECF Grading Code .....

FIDE Rating .....

FIDE Rating Code.....

Bye required in round 1 / 2 / 3 / 4 (please circle)

Entry fee	£
Early Entry Discount	£ (      )
Surcharge	£
Donation (thank you)	£
Total	<u>£</u>