

Times and Rates of Play

Saturday 4 June 2016

Round 1 – 9.30am to 1.10pm

Round 2 – 2.00pm to 5.40pm

Round 3 – 6.30pm to 10.10pm

Sunday 5 June 2016

Round 4 – 10.00am to 1.40pm

Round 5 – 2.30pm to 6.10pm

Prizegiving – 6.30pm (approx)

Rate of play: 36 moves in 90 minutes and then 20 minutes extra for a quickplay finish. Appendix G4 of the 2014 Laws of Chess will apply to quickplay finishes.

This is a Swiss Tournament, and all players will play in all rounds.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND 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 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.

No player may win more than one prize. Ungraded players may not win a grading prize. Grades used will be those at January 2016. In the event of ties, all money prizes will be shared equally, while British Championship qualifying places will, if necessary, be determined by sums of progressive scores.

A junior is a player born on or after 1 January 1998. A slow starter is anyone who starts with 0/2 or 1/2.

Anyone arriving more than 30 minutes late for any round will be defaulted that game. Expect to be re-paired after 30 minutes if your opponent defaults.

Mobile phones must be switched off in the playing area. 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.

Free tea and coffee will be available during the Congress.

THE EAST ANGLIAN CHESS UNION

2016 CHESS CONGRESS

Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th June 2016

at

**The Turner Hall, Church Lane,
Newmarket, CB8 0HL**

A Five-Round Swiss Tournament with 3 sections

Open, Under-170 and Under-130

**Featuring the final leg of the EACU's 2016 British
Championship nomination process, and incorporating a
separate qualifying place for the 2016 British Championship**

**A registered ECF Game Fee event
and part of the ECF and the EACU Grand Prix**

**Enquiries and Entries to: John Wickham, 55 Shakespeare Way,
Taverham, Norfolk, NR8 6SL.**

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Chief Controller – Adrian Elwin, ECF Arbiter

ENTRY FORM

Full Name.....

Address.....
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Telephone Number

E-mail Address

Club Date of birth (juniors)

ECF Membership Number Level

ECF Grade (Jan 2016) Grading Ref Number.....

If you have no current ECF grade, please give FIDE rating or any other grade you may have. If you have no current grade or rating, please give most recent grade and year it was achieved. If you have never been graded, please provide an indication of your approximate current playing strength on a separate piece of paper.

I wish to enter the Open/U-170/U-130 *	Entry fee	£
	Early Entry Discount	£ ()
Half-point bye required in round	ECF Discount	£ ()
[Rounds 1 to 4 only]	Donation (thank you)	£
*delete as appropriate	Total	£

Cheques payable to: East Anglian Chess Union. Enclose s.a.e. for receipt and/or map (delete as appropriate).

There is no Late Entry Fee. However, all entries postmarked on or before 14 May 2016 will be entitled to a £3.00 Early Entry Discount. In addition, players who are current ECF Members at Silver Gold or Platinum level on 4 June 2016 are entitled to a £7.00 ECF Discount.

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

Please send entry forms to John Wickham, 55 Shakespeare Way, Taverham, Norfolk, NR8 6SL.

Sections, Prizes and Entry Fees

Open Section – Entry Fee £35

First prize	£160	U-180 Grading Prize	£45
Second prize	£110	Slow Starter Prize	£45
Third prize	£80	Junior Prize	£45

The highest placed eligible player in the Open Section not already qualified will qualify for a place in the 2016 British Championship, to be held in Bournemouth from 25 July to 6 August 2016.

In addition, the EACU player with the highest aggregate number of points from their **best two** results in the top section of the three 2015-16 EACU Congresses, namely the Bury St Edmunds Congress in October 2015, the Great Yarmouth Congress in April 2016 and this Congress, will, if eligible and not already qualified, be offered the EACU nomination for the 2016 British Championship. If this person is already qualified or does not wish to take this place, the EACU nomination will be given to the eligible EACU player not already qualified who has the next-highest aggregate number of points from their best two results in the top section of the three Congresses mentioned above, and who accepts this nomination. (An EACU player is one who currently lives in, or has for a consecutive 5 year period lived in, or is currently at full time education in, or was born in, or is currently a member of a club in or affiliated to, Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire, Hertfordshire, Norfolk or Suffolk). In all cases, the nominee must have scored at least 50% in the two tournaments used to calculate their best two results.

All qualifiers will enter the British Championship at their own expense.

Under-170 Section – Entry Fee £30

First prize	£100	U-150 Grading Prize	£35
Second prize	£70	Slow Starter Prize	£35
Third prize	£50	Junior Prize	£35

Under-130 Section – Entry Fee £27

First prize	£80	U-110 Grading Prize	£30
Second prize	£55	Slow Starter Prize	£30
Third prize	£40	Junior Prize	£30