

Castle Chess News:

Tony Corfe has been involved in organising chess events large and small for more than 30 years. Following his recent experiences in Spectrum Chess he has decided to branch out into his own brand of weekend chess within the hotel environment.

Recently **Castle Chess** announced a series of 4 junior events.

Castle Chess will endeavour to find hotels with quality and a character of their own which will place your chess playing into a comfortable and friendly environment. We are returning to some of the hotels which Tony was involved in sourcing and in future years shall look for more hotels in diverse parts of the country.

Castle Chess will be running its own Grand Prix. 50p of each entry fee received will be put into the prize fund to be awarded to **Castle Chess** players who earn the highest total of game points in our 2009 events.

Castle Chess will pay the game fee and send all games to the ECF for grading.

One of the **Castle Chess** events in 2009 will not be based in a hotel. You will need to find your own accommodation when you come to Potters Bar.

Anyone who enters all of the **Castle Chess** events in 2009 will be entitled to a £25 loyalty voucher to use at a 2010 **Castle Chess** event.

If you are a Direct Member of the English Chess Federation we shall give you a discount of £2.50 for our 5 round events or £3 for our 6 round events

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:

The Tanton's Hotel
on Bideford Quay, New Road,
Bideford, North Devon EX39 2HR
01237 473317
www.tantonshotel.co.uk

Castle Chess invites chess players for a weekend's congress in a comfortable hotel environment with scenic views over the River Torridge. The Tanton's is a 3 star hotel that offers more than 50 bedrooms, each with their own private bathroom, direct dial telephone, radio/alarm clock, hairdrier and facilities for making hot drinks.

Car Parking is on the road outside the hotel, if you are lucky, or in a public car park, with a small daily charge. It is necessary to cross the bridge to get to the car park.

BOOKING ACCOMMODATION: This should be done through **Castle Chess** to gain the best rates. There are 30 rooms reserved by us until 31st August. Early booking is advised.

PACKAGE TYPES: (Entry Fee of £30 is included)

			B&B
"A"	Single	1 night	£ £90
"B"	Single	2 nights	£145
"C"	Single	3 nights	£200
"D"	Twin	1 night	£ 75 per person
"E"	Twin	2 nights	£110 per person
"F"	Twin	3 nights	£ 145 per person

Evening meals may be booked at the hotel for £10 for two meals.

Non-Players may deduct £30 from the cost of their room.

Entry Fee Only £30

To obtain these rates your accommodation must be booked via Tony Corfe: contact details elsewhere.



present their

1st Bideford Congress

in a hotel venue
formerly a Spectrum Chess Event

SATURDAY & SUNDAY
26 - 27 September 2009

ECF Game Fee Registered
ENGLISH CHESS FEDERATION
2009/10 Grand Prix Event

5 Sections - 5 Round Swiss

OPEN - Unrestricted
PREMIER - Under 175
MAJOR - Under 150
MINOR - Under 125
CHALLENGERS - Under 100

The Castle Controlling Team :
Tony Corfe (ECF Arbiter) & Barbara Corfe

Non-Smoking Congress

Players are eligible to win points in one, or more, of the “English Chess Federation 2009/10 Graded Grand Prix”, sponsored by CCF, as well as the Junior Grand Prix.

CONGRESS - 5 round Swiss Tournament

PRIZES: £150 per section - Guaranteed.

ENTRY FEE - (without accommodation) - £30

CONGRESS DISCOUNTS - Junior (U18) £5.00
ECF Direct Member (Number supplied) £2.50

PRIZE CONDITIONS: Each section’s prize fund is guaranteed as long as we run the section. Numbers may dictate that we merge tournaments. 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.

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 (Normal or Rapidplay) with a code A to E.

WITHDRAWALS: A deduction of £5 will be made from any refund unless carried forward to a future **Castle Chess** event. Accommodation booked will have to be paid for unless at least 24 hours notice has been given.

LATE ARRIVALS: Players will be defaulted 30 minutes after the scheduled round start time. 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.

DISPUTES: Appeal against the Arbiter’s decision 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 01707 659080 for specific requests.

PLAYING SCHEDULE

Saturday (26th September)

Rd 1 09:15 to 12:45
*Players Review 13:45
Rd 2 14:00 to 17:30
Rd 3 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.

Sunday (27th September)

Rd 5 09:15 to 12:45
Rd 6 13:30 to 17:00

Prize-Giving at 17.15

RATE OF PLAY:

36 moves in 90 minutes plus 15 mins QPF.

EVENT ENQUIRIES:

Tony Corfe, 51 Borough Way, Potters Bar, Herts. EN6 3HA
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email: enquiries@castlechess.co.uk

Calendar of Castle Chess Events 2009

1st Portsmouth	20-22 February	Queen’s Hotel
1st Hereford	25-26 April	Green Dragon Hotel
1st Potters Bar	30-31 May	Potters Bar
1st Bideford	26-27 September	Tantons Hotel

We are building our website : castlechess.co.uk

Late Fee applies after 23rd September



Corfe Castle, Swanage, Dorset

ENTRY FORM Bideford 2009

FIRST NAME

LAST NAME

ADDRESS

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

Telephone:

email:.....

ECF GRADE ECF CODE

CLUB..... ECF Direct No

DATE OF BIRTH

SECTION ENTERED

Half Point Bye requested in Round(not Rd 5)

PACKAGE TYPE
(including Entry Fee) _____ £

Discounts:
ECF Direct Member £2.50
Junior (U18) £5.00
£

DONATION
(to help defray expenses) £

LATE FEE: £5 after 23rd September £

TOTAL £ _____

Cheques / PO payable to : “Castle Chess”

Please send completed entry form with fee to:
Castle Chess, 51 Borough Way, Potters Bar, Herts. EN6 3HA.

We can accept payment by card over the telephone for a fee of 5%.
Tel: 01707 659080 (9 a.m. to 9 p.m.)