

Worcester Winter Junior Chess Tournament

10:00 am to 3:00pm on Sunday 26 November 2017
at King's School Worcester

General Information

This one-day quickplay tournament is organised by Worcester Junior Chess Academy for Worcestershire Chess Association by Dr Raymond Collett. The tournament director has recent experience of organising chess tournaments for junior players and has recently been DBS checked. The organisers are assisted by carefully selected volunteer chess teachers and players. The venue has steps so please contact the organiser if your party includes a disabled person. The venue is provided by The King's School Worcester. The tournament attracts a wide range of ages and you may find that your son or daughter plays someone much older or younger in some rounds.

There are separate information sheets and web pages about: eligibility; scoring and prizes; travel directions and parking; and entry forms for individuals and teams. They are linked from the webpage is at: <http://www.raycollett.net/wjca/cong.htm>

If these do not answer your question, please contact Ray Collett at 01905 454 754.

Entry fees

Payment, in cash, is on the day and before the start of the tournament. Fees are £6 for individual and £20 for team (up to four players) entry. Current members of WJCA are eligible for a reduced entry fee of £4.

Organisers' responsibilities

Organisers are responsible for players inside the playing hall and during play. **At other times between tournament games, parents, guardians, or team managers are responsible for their children.** Organisers reserve the right to exclude unruly children from further participation in the congress.

Tournament format

Games will be submitted for grading by the English Chess Federation. All players who are not already members of the English Chess Federation will be registered for free silver junior membership of the ECF (expires August 2018) and new members' names, home addresses, dates of birth, parental telephone and e-mail addresses will be submitted to the ECF with applications for membership. See <http://www.englishchess.org.uk/membership/how-we-use-your-data/>

Schedule of rounds

Round 1: 10:10am to 10:50am; **Round 2** 11:00am to 11:40am; **Round 3** 12:00noon to 12:40pm; **Round 4** 12:50pm to 1:30pm; **Round 5** 1:40pm to 2:20pm; **Prize-giving** 2:30pm.

Tournament controllers will endeavour to keep to time, but this may not always be possible. We will inform players and accompanying adults if the schedule has to be altered.

Prizes, prize giving and photography

There will be individual trophies for the highest scoring under-18 and under-11 players. All players of winning teams will receive a medal (whether a player was among the best scoring three or not) and all players with scores of 3 or higher and who have no other award will receive a chess badge and a certificate recording their participation. See the rules for information on tie-breaking procedures.

Prize giving will take place as soon as the players have completed any tie-break games after round 5. The organisers will arrange for photographs of prize winners and winning teams which may be sent to team organisers and the local press. Digital copies of them will be available by e-mail from Ray Collett. You are of course welcome to take pictures of your own children.

Lost property

If the organisers find lost property at the end of the event, it will be given to Ray Collett for safekeeping. If you find when you return home you have left something behind, please contact Ray at 01905 454 754.