

Time Table

Friday	0945	Opening Ceremony
	1000	Round 1
Saturday	1500	Round 2
	1000	Round 3
Sunday	1500	Round 4
	1000	Round 5
Monday	1500	Round 6
	1000	Round 7
	1430	Prize Giving

Rates of Play.

FIDE: All moves in 90 mins + 30 secs per move increment from move 1.

Minor: 40 moves in 100 mins. + 20 further mins. for all moves.

Directions:

Exmouth is just 15 minutes from J30 on the M5 at Exeter, and has a frequent rail service. The Manor Hotel is a 5 - 10 minute walk from the bus and railway station.

Accommodation:

Room rates at the hotel on request: (☎ 01395-272549). Ask about possible discounts for chessplayers.

Alternatively, there are guest houses nearby at which accommodation can be booked.

A full list is obtainable from the Exmouth Tourist Information Centre on

☎ 01395- 222299 or e-mail: info@exmouth-guide.co.uk

Please note:

- Playing conditions in the Hotel will not be compromised by over-crowding. **Therefore, book early to avoid possible disappointment.**
- Withdrawals: Players are expected to play all rounds (except where a half-point bye is claimed on the entry form). If problems do arise during the event, players should see the Chief Controller at the earliest convenient opportunity.
- Submission of this completed entry form constitutes consent to the game results being forwarded for grading and publication for publicity purposes.

Forthcoming Events.

43rd East Devon Congress – Fri 23rd – 25th Feb 2018

Contact: Tim Paulden – e-mail: timpaulden@gmail.com



West of England Chess Union



71st Open Congress Easter 2018

to be held at

the **Manor Hotel**,
Exmouth, Devon EX8 2AG

incorporating the *West of England Championship*

&

British Championship Qualifier.

Fri. 30th March to Mon. 2nd April 2018

Championship & Major are FIDE-Rated

An ECF Grand Prix

& ECF registered Game Fee event.

West of England Chess Union Easter 2018 Congress Entry Form

Section: Bye requested for Rd:

Entry Fee £

Discounts – GMs / IMs free of charge
ECF Silver Members & above deduct £6-

Extra £3 discount for juniors U-18 on 01.01.2017. £.....

Donation: (Thanks in anticipation) £.....

Total net remittance enclosed: £.....


Name:

Address:

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e-mail address:

Club:

ECF Grade: ECF Grade Ref.....


(if currently ungraded state last known grade.)

FIDE Rating: FIDE Ref. number:

ECF Membership number: Federation:

Date of Birth (all entrants for player ID):

Cheques or postal orders should be crossed and made payable to "WECU Congress" and must accompany this entry form. A written receipt will only be issued if a stamped addressed envelope is enclosed. Indicate if an e-mailed acknowledgement is required.

Please send your entries to the Congress Secretary: M. Shaw, 47, Colleton Way, Exmouth EX8 3PT  01395-275494 or e-mail: wecu@hotmail.co.uk

Tournaments

FIDE-rated sections require the entrant to be an **ECF Gold Member** or a FIDE registered member of another National Body.

❖ **The Championship / Open Section will be FIDE-rated**

Open to ECF **Gold Members** & FIDE registered members of another National Body. The West of England Championship Cup and a British Championship 2017 Qualifying Place will be awarded to the highest eligible WECU player, plus a £100 bursary.

PRIZES: 1st £400 2nd £200 3rd £100 Grading Prize £30 Entry Fee: £41

❖ **The Major Section will also be FIDE-rated**

Open to ECF Gold members graded under 1950 or ECF 170.

PRIZES: 1st £200 2nd £100 3rd £50 Grading Prize £30 Entry Fee: £35

❖ **The Minor Section:**

Open to any player graded under 130.

PRIZES: 1st £200 2nd £100 3rd £50 Grading Prize £30 Entry Fee: £35

❖ **The Ladies Championship:**

The Elizabeth Walker Cup will be presented to the lady from the West of England who achieves the highest score in the highest ranked tournament.

Cups will also be awarded in all graded sections to the best-placed eligible WECU players.

Ungraded players in graded sections may not win more than the value of 3rd prize.

Additional prize money subject to entry.

Information provided on the entry form may be used for congress administration, the congress mailing list and grading purposes only.

A half point bye may be claimed for any one round except the last, providing notice is given with entry.

The Congress Committee reserves the right to refuse or transfer entries. Any decision by the Chief Controller is final.

REFRESHMENTS will be available in the hotel throughout the tournament.

We appreciate the hotel management's support for this event in providing the playing room at a very reasonable rate, and it is hoped players will return that by using hotel facilities.

Please note, only refreshments obtained at the hotel may be consumed on their premises.

Neither smoking nor mobile phones are permitted in the playing area.