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Queries about entry to the competition should be emailed  
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# 35<sup>th</sup> Bury St Edmunds Congress

[www.bsecongress.org.uk](http://www.bsecongress.org.uk)

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2017**  
The Apex, Charter Square, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, IP33 3FD



### A five-round Swiss Tournament

Four sections: Open, Major (u170),  
Intermediate (u145) and Minor (u120)

Free entry for GMs and IMs (if received by 21<sup>st</sup> October)

An English Chess Federation Grand Prix Event  
An East Anglian Grand Prix Event



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# Tournament Entry Fees and Prizes

# Other Information



	Section			
	Open	Major (u170)	Inter (u145)	Minor (u120)
<b>ECF Members at Silver, Gold or Platinum Level</b>				
<b>GM / IM</b>	Free	← If received by 21 <sup>st</sup> October		
<b>Adult</b>	£ 30	£ 27	£ 27	£ 24
<b>Junior</b>	£ 25	£ 22	£ 22	£ 18
<b>ECF Non-Members and ECF Bronze Members</b>				
<b>Adult GM / IM</b>	£ 7.50	← If received by 21 <sup>st</sup> October		
<b>Junior GM / IM</b>	£ 7.50	← If received by 21 <sup>st</sup> October		
<b>Adult</b>	£ 37.50	£ 34.50	£ 34.50	£ 31.50
<b>Junior</b>	£ 32.50	£ 29.50	£ 29.50	£ 25.50
<b>Prize Money</b>				
<b>1st Prize</b>	£ 350	£ 200	£ 200	£ 150
<b>2nd Prize</b>	£ 180	£ 100	£ 100	£ 80
<b>3rd Prize</b>	£ 100	£ 60	£ 60	£ 50
<b>Grading Prize</b>	£ 60	£ 50	£ 50	£ 40

### Prizes

The prize money is guaranteed if entries reach 140. Junior prizes will be awarded in the Minor section and additional grading prizes in the other sections if finances permit. Players without an ECF or FIDE grade will not be eligible for grading prizes and a deduction of 50% will be made on any cash prize won by such a player.

### Deadline for Entries

Entries close at 8pm on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October to allow organisers to make final arrangements.

### Withdrawals

Refunds will be provided at the organisers' discretion, but not for players who fail to turn up.

## Hours of Play

### Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> October

(Doors open 08:30)

Round 1: 09:30

Round 2: 14:00

Round 3: 18:30

### Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October

(Doors open 08:30)

Round 4: 09:30

Round 5: 14:00

Prize Giving: 18:00 approx

### Rate of Play

All moves in 90 minutes plus 15 second increment per move from move 1.

Full competition rules and further information are available online at [www.bsecongress.org.uk](http://www.bsecongress.org.uk)

### Grading

All games played in this congress will be submitted to the ECF for grading.

### Late Arrivals

Players arriving more than 30 minutes after the scheduled round start time will be defaulted. Players without opponents should expect to be re-paired 30 minutes after the start of a round.

### Byes

A bye may be taken in any of rounds 1 to 4, provided this is requested with entry. However, a bye in round 3 can also be requested on the Saturday of the event provided this is done before 17:00.

### Website

Entrants' names and grades, along with pairings and results will be displayed on the Congress website.

### Right to refuse entry

The Congress Director reserves the right to refuse entry without being required to state a reason.

### Disputes

In all matters, the Congress Director's decision is final.

### Mobile Phones

These must be switched off at all times within the playing area. If a mobile phone makes any sound during play, that person will lose the game.

### Accommodation

There are numerous hotels and B&Bs in Bury St Edmunds. For details, consult the relevant section of the congress website.

### Refreshments

Light refreshments will be available throughout the weekend.

### Bookstall

A bookstall will be provided by Chess & Bridge, who can be found online at [www.chess.co.uk](http://www.chess.co.uk).

### Photography

Photos taken at the event may be used for publicity purposes. Please let us know if you object to this.

### Payment

Pay online with PayPal or by cheque (details below).

## Entry Form

(or enter online at [www.bsecongress.org.uk](http://www.bsecongress.org.uk))

Surname .....	ECF Membership Number .....
Firstname .....	ECF Membership Level (please circle) None    Bronze    Silver    Gold    Platinum
Chess title (e.g. GM) .....	Tournament entered (please circle) Open            Major            Inter            Minor
Email address .....	ENTRY FEE            £ <input type="text"/>
Phone number .....	DONATION (optional)    £ <input type="text"/>
Club .....	TOTAL AMOUNT            £ <input type="text"/>
Date of Birth (Juniors) .....	Optional - I request a half-point bye in the following round (please tick): Round 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Round 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Round 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Round 4 <input type="checkbox"/>
ECF Grade .....	
If you are ungraded or have no current ECF grade, please list overleaf results of recent tournaments or other matches played.	

Cheques should be made payable to "Bury Area Chess League Congress" and sent with this completed form to Steve Lovell, Congress Secretary, at the address overleaf.

All entries providing an email address will receive an acknowledgement. If a written receipt of entry is required, please enclose a stamped addressed envelope with your entry.