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payment to:

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Queries about entry to the competition should be emailed
to secretary@bsecongress.org.uk

35th Bury St Edmunds Congress

www.bsecongress.org.uk

Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th 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 21st 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)
ECF Members at Silver, Gold or Platinum Level				
GM / IM	Free	← If received by 21 st October		
Adult	£ 30	£ 27	£ 27	£ 24
Junior	£ 25	£ 22	£ 22	£ 18
ECF Non-Members and ECF Bronze Members				
Adult GM / IM	£ 7.50	← If received by 21 st October		
Junior GM / IM	£ 7.50	← If received by 21 st October		
Adult	£ 37.50	£ 34.50	£ 34.50	£ 31.50
Junior	£ 32.50	£ 29.50	£ 29.50	£ 25.50
Prize Money				
1st Prize	£ 350	£ 200	£ 200	£ 150
2nd Prize	£ 180	£ 100	£ 100	£ 80
3rd Prize	£ 100	£ 60	£ 60	£ 50
Grading Prize	£ 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 27th 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 28th October

(Doors open 08:30)

Round 1: 09:30

Round 2: 14:00

Round 3: 18:30

Sunday 29th 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

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.

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)

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.