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# 36<sup>th</sup> Bury St Edmunds Congress

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

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2018**  
The Apex, Charter Square, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, IP33 3FD



**A five-round Swiss Tournament**  
Four sections: Open, Major (u170),  
Intermediate (u140) and Minor (u110)

Free entry for GMs and IMs (if received by 13<sup>th</sup> October)

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

## Payment Details and Postal Address

Please supply payment details below.

ENTRY FEE	£	<input type="text"/>
DONATION (optional)	£	<input type="text"/>
TOTAL AMOUNT	£	<input type="text"/>

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

You may also pay by Bank Transfer. If you'd like to do that, please get in touch to request our bank details.

Please detach this section and return, together with payment, to:

Steve Lovell  
Congress Secretary  
3 Pippin Close  
Bury St Edmunds  
IP32 7HH

Queries about entry to the competition should be emailed to [secretary@bsecongress.org.uk](mailto:secretary@bsecongress.org.uk)

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# Tournament Entry Fees and Prizes

# Other Information



	Section			
	Open	Major (u170)	Inter (u140)	Minor (u110)
<b>ECF Members - other than Adult Bronze</b>				
<b>GM / IM</b>	Free	← If received by 13 <sup>th</sup> October		
<b>Adult</b>	£ 30	£ 27	£ 27	£ 24
<b>Junior</b>	£ 25	£ 22	£ 22	£ 18
<b>ECF Non-Members and Adult Bronze Members</b>				
<b>Adult GM / IM</b>	£ 7.50	← If received by 13 <sup>th</sup> October		
<b>Junior GM / IM</b>	£ 5.00	← If received by 13 <sup>th</sup> October		
<b>Adult</b>	£ 37.50	£ 34.50	£ 34.50	£ 31.50
<b>Junior</b>	£ 30.00	£ 27.00	£ 27.00	£ 23.00
<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

**Note:** Juniors are those aged under 18 on 1st September 2018.

### 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.

The top three finishers in each section will also win Diamond membership at [chess.com](http://chess.com).

### Deadline for Entries

Entries close at 8pm on Friday 19<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 20<sup>th</sup> October

(Doors open 08:30)

Round 1: 09:30

Round 2: 14:00

Round 3: 18:30

### Sunday 21<sup>st</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.

### 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.

### Mobile Phones

Mobile phones must be switched off in the playing area, and must not be on a player's person at any time during their game. Any player whose mobile phone makes any sound during play, or who is found to be using or consulting any device capable of suggesting chess moves, will be immediately defaulted that game.

### Bookstall

A bookstall will be provided by Chess & Bridge, who can be found online at [chess.co.uk](http://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 on reverse). By arrangement we can also accept payment by Bank Transfer.

### 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.

## Entry Form

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

Surname .....

ECF Grade<sup>†</sup> .....

Firstname .....

Tournament entered (please circle)

Chess title (e.g. GM) .....

Open            Major (u170)            Inter (u140)            Minor (u110)

Club .....

Optional - I request a half-point bye in the following round (please tick):

Phone Number .....

Round 1  Round 2  Round 3  Round 4

Email Address .....

ECF Membership Number .....

All entries providing an email address will receive an acknowledgement\* and will also be emailed regular updates about the 2018 tournament.

ECF Membership Level (please circle)

None    Bronze    Silver    Gold    Platinum

I would also like to receive updates about future tournaments.

Date of Birth (Juniors) .....

### Payment Details and Address for Postage Overleaf

See our privacy notice at [www.bsecongress.org.uk/privacy](http://www.bsecongress.org.uk/privacy)

<sup>†</sup> If you are ungraded or have no current ECF grade, please also include results of recent tournaments or other matches played.

\* If written receipt of entry is required, please enclose a stamped addressed envelope with your entry.

You may convert a FIDE grade to ECF using the formula  $ECF = (FIDE - 700) / 7.5$ .