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FESTIVAL ENTRY FORM

THE UK'S *LARGEST* CHESS FESTIVAL

FIDE Open

Friday 9 - Friday 16 December
(with a guaranteed £23,125 prize fund)

Weekend Tournaments

4 sections: Open, U2050, U1825, U1600
(all FIDE Rated)

Friday 9 - Sunday 11 December

Weekday Tournaments

2 sections: U2050, U1750 (both FIDE Rated)
Monday 12 - Friday 16 December

Super Rapidplay Open

in memory of Michael Uriely

Saturday 17 - Sunday 18 December
£19,000 prize fund.

All events held at Olympia Conference Centre,
Hammersmith Rd, Kensington, London W14 8UX

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FIDE Open offering GM and IM norm opportunities.

Friday 9 to Friday 16 December 1 round per day except Saturday 10 December (2 rounds)

Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5	Round 6	Round 7	Round 8	Round 9
Fri 9 Dec	Sat 10 Dec	Sat 10 Dec	Sun 11 Dec	Mon 12 Dec	Tue 13 Dec	Wed 14 Dec	Thu 15 Dec	Fri 16 Dec
16:30	10:30	16:30	16:30	16:30	16:30	16:30	16:30	16:30

Time Control: 90 minutes for 40 moves + 30 minutes for all remaining moves, with a 30 second increment from move 1. *Default time: 1 hour after scheduled start time.*

Who Can Enter?: Anyone can enter the FIDE Open. The organisers will invite a minimum of 15 Grandmasters. **Non English players must provide their FIDE Identification Number (FIN) at the time of entry. If you do not have a FIN, you must apply to your own federation for a FIN.**

Byes: Players can take up to 2 half point byes between rounds 1-8 provided they are requested before the end of the previous round.

Registration: Players must register in advance of the FIDE Open, in one of the following ways:

- In person, at the venue between 12:00 and 20:00 on Thursday, 8th December, or

- By e-mail, sent to festival@londonchessclassic.com on Thursday, 8th December, before 20:00

Do not use any other e-mail address you may have for one of the event organisers, as the people who access them will not necessarily be accessing e-mails as the publication deadline approaches.

Players who do not register will not be included in the published pairings for Round 1.

The three highest placed eligible players in the FIDE Rated Open not already qualified will qualify for the 2017 British Championships.

Pairings Published for each Round: *Midnight for all rounds except round 3 which will be published as soon as available.*

Prize Fund	
1st	£7,500
2nd	£5,000
3rd	£2,500
4th	£1,500
5th	£1,000
6th - 10th	£500 each
Rating Prizes	
2250 - 2349	£250, £150, £75
2150 - 2249	£250, £150, £75
2050 - 2149	£250, £150, £75
Top English Juniors	£500, £250, £100
Top English Women	£500, £250, £100
Junior Prizes	£500, £250, £100
Women's Prizes	£500, £250, £100

Entry Fees	Early Bird Entry	Standard Entry
	<i>If entering on or before Monday 17 October</i>	<i>If entering on or after Tuesday 18 October</i>
U25 - Young Persons* (<i>born on or after 1/12/1991</i>)	Free	Free
Women*	Free	Free
GM / IM / WGM / WIM	Free	Free
Players rated 2050 and over	£75	£100
Unrated players & players rated under 2050	£125	£150
£20 Late Entry Fee for entries received after Monday 5 December		

Players with English FIDE nationality must be Gold or Platinum members of the ECF, or pay an additional £10 pay-to-play fee

* Free entry applies to UK residents only



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Weekend Tournaments

Friday 9 to Sunday 11 December 2 rounds per day except Friday 9 December (1 round)

4 sections: Open, U2050, U1825, U1600 (all FIDE Rated)				
Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5
Fri 9 Dec	Saturday 10 December		Sunday 11 December	
18:30	10:30	16:30	10:30	16:30

Time Control: All moves in 90 minutes plus a 30 second increment per move from move 1.
Default time: 1 hour after the scheduled start time.

Non English players must provide their FIDE Identification Number (FIN) at the time of entry. If you do not have a FIN, you must apply to your own federation for a FIN.

Sections: FIDE rated players may play in the sections other than the Open if they are rated below those levels irrespective of ECF grade. Players without a FIDE rating may play in the U2050, U1825, or U1600 provided they have an ECF grade below 180, 150 or 120 respectively.

Byes: Players can take a half point bye between rounds 1-4 provided it is requested before the end of the previous round.

Prize Fund (Guaranteed) for Weekend tournaments	
<i>In Each Section</i>	
1st	£250
2nd	£150
3rd	£75
<i>Rating Prizes in each section</i>	
Open (< 2200)	£100, £50
Under 2050 (< 1950)	£100, £50
Under 1825 (< 1725)	£100, £50
Under 1600 (< 1500)	£100, £50

Entry Fees	Early Bird Entry If entering on or before Monday 17 October	Standard Entry If entering on or after Tuesday 18 October
U25 -Young Persons* (<i>born on or after 1/12/91</i>)	Free	Free
Women*	Free	Free
Adults	£30	£40
£20 Late Entry Fee for entries received after Monday 5 December		

Players with English FIDE nationality must be Gold or Platinum members of the ECF, or pay an additional £10 pay-to-play fee

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Weekday Tournaments

2 sections - FIDE U2050 & FIDE U1750

Monday 12 to Friday 16 December. 1 round per day

Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Round 4	Round 5
Monday 12 December	Tuesday 13 December	Wednesday 14 December	Thursday 15 December	Friday 16 December
16:30	16:30	16:30	16:30	16:30

Time Control: 90 minutes for 40 moves + 30 minutes for all remaining moves, with a 30 second increment starting at move 1. Default time: 1 hour after scheduled start time.

Non English players must provide their FIDE Identification Number (FIN) at the time of entry. If you do not have a FIN, you must apply to your own federation for a FIN.

Sections:

FIDE U2050: Anyone rated under 2050 FIDE (or National Elo). Those without an Elo rating wishing to play in this section must have an ECF grade under 180. FIDE U1750: Anyone rated under 1750 FIDE (or National Elo). Those without an Elo rating wishing to play in this section must have an ECF grade under 140.

Prize Fund (Guaranteed) for Weekday tournaments	
<i>In Each Section</i>	
1st	£250
2nd	£150
3rd	£75
<i>Rating Prizes in each section</i>	
Under 2050 (< 1850)	£100, £50
Under 1750 (< 1450)	£100, £50

Byes: Players can take a half point bye between rounds 1-4 provided it is requested before the end of the previous round.

Pairings Published for each Round: Midnight for all rounds.

Entry Fees	Early Bird Entry If entering on or before Monday 17 October	Standard Entry If entering on or after Tuesday 18 October
U25 -Young Persons* (<i>born on or after 1/12/91</i>)	Free	Free
Women*	Free	Free
Adults	£30	£40
£20 Late Entry Fee for entries received after Monday 5 December		

Players with English FIDE nationality must be Gold or Platinum members of the ECF, or pay an additional £10 pay-to-play fee

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Super Rapidplay Open Tournament (FIDE RATED)

in memory of Michael Uriely

Saturday 17 December				
Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5
12:00	13:45	15:30	17:15	19:00
Sunday 18 December				
Rd 6	Rd 7	Rd 8	Rd 9	Rd 10
12:00	13:45	15:30	17:15	19:00

The Super Rapidplay is a 10-round FIDE-rated open tournament with no grading sections; instead all players play in the same section and generous grading prizes have been added.

Pairings Published for each Round:

11:30 for Rounds 1 and 6; as soon as available for other rounds.

Time Control: All moves in 25 minutes plus a 10 second increment per move from move 1. *Default time: None, player is defaulted if time expires without having moved*

Grades: FIDE Rapidplay ratings published will be used for this event. For players without a current FIDE Rapidplay rating, the following grades / ratings will be used instead: (1) ECF Rapidplay grade (2) FIDE standard play (3) ECF standard play (4) Other national rating

Byes: Up to two half point byes can be taken between rounds 1-9 provided they are requested before the end of the previous round.

Prize Fund (Guaranteed)					
1st	£5,000				
2nd	£2,500				
3rd	£1,500				
4th	£1,000				
5th - 6th	£750				
7th - 10th	£500				
Rating Prizes					
2200 – 2299	£250, £150, £75				
2100 – 2199	£250, £150, £75				
2000 – 2099	£250, £150, £75				
1900 – 1999	£250, £150, £75				
1800 – 1899	£250, £150, £75				
1700 – 1799	£250, £150, £75				
1600 – 1699	£250, £150, £75				
< 1600	£250, £150, £75				
Junior Prizes	£500, £250, £100				
Women's Prizes	£500, £250, £100				
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Women*	FREE				
GM//IM//WGM//WIM	FREE				
Adults	£50				
£20 Late Entry Fee for entries received after Friday 16 December					

Silver, Gold or Platinum ECF members may claim a £10 discount from their entry fee.

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Further Information

For full terms & conditions of all London Chess Classic tournaments visit: www.londonchessclassic.com

Watching the London Chess Classic: All competitors will have access to the Auditorium and Commentary room free of charge **only if space permits** and after tickets have been sold on the day. To guarantee access at the weekend, tournament entrants should purchase a ticket. There will also be live coverage of the main event on screens in the foyer.

Rating and Grading All tournaments will be submitted to the English Chess Federation (ECF) for grading, and FIDE for rating. It is a condition of playing in the London Chess Classic that the data submitted at the time of entry will be forwarded to the ECF and FIDE as required to enable the games played to be graded by the ECF, and rated by FIDE.

Obtaining a FIDE Identification Number All entrants must have a FIDE Identification Number at the time of submitting their entry, unless they wish their FIDE nationality to be England. English players without a FIDE Identification Number will have one created at the time the rating files are submitted to FIDE. *Please note: At the time of writing, changing this nationality later costs 250 Euros.*

Prize Calculation The place prizes in all tournaments will be awarded to the player scoring the most points. There will be no tie-breaks applied, and in the event of a tie on points, the prize money will be shared equally between all tied players.

The rating prizes will be calculated on $W - W_e$, where W is the number of points scored, W_e is the expected number of points based on the difference between the ratings of the players in the game. A player is only eligible for a rating prize if:

- The player has not defaulted any games in the tournament, and
- The player had not withdrawn from the tournament (*see the section on Byes on the London Chess Classic website*)

Where there is a tie for a rating prize, the prize shall be won by the lowest-rated player involved in the tie. Where a player wins a place prize and a rating prize, the player will win whichever prize is of the higher value.

The additional prizes are won in addition to any other prize a player might win.

Withdrawals: No refund can be given to any person withdrawing from, or not turning up to, any event. No part refund will be given to anyone wishing to withdraw while the tournament is still in progress. Full refunds will be given up to Friday 2 December; between 3 December and the start of the event a £20 admin fee for all refunds will apply.

Parental Responsibility Parents or guardians are responsible for their children during the tournament. The organisers and helpers are not able to act "in loco parentis" and are not able to take responsibility for any child's actions, or for the actions of anyone that may affect your child.

Liability The organisers accept no responsibility for any loss, theft or accident during the tournament.

Right to refuse entry The tournament controller reserves the right to refuse entry without being required to state a reason. The tournament controller also reserves the right to transfer players between tournaments at any time.

Appeals Procedure The London Chess Classic provides an independent appeals procedure for all competitors in the event of a dispute. Full details of the appeals process are given on the tournament website.

Publishing the Appeals Committee A list of arbiters, and a list of members of the Players' Panel, will be published before the start of Round 1 of the FIDE Open.

Information included in this entry form was correct at time of printing but is subject to change. Please visit the website: www.londonchessclassic.com for the most up-to-date information

Which event are you entering?

Event	Section	Entry Fee £	Bye(s) if required indicate Round number(s) below
FIDE Open (1 section with multiple rating prizes)		£	
Weekend Tournaments (All sections are FIDE rated) (4 sections: Open, U2050, U1825, U1600)		£	
Weekday Tournaments (Both sections FIDE rated) (2 sections: FIDE U2050 & U1650)		£	
Super Rapidplay Open (1 section with multiple rating prizes)		£	
Donation to Chess in Schools & Communities		£	
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			PLEASE TICK
Late Entry Fee (only for entries received after 5/12/2016)		£	
TOTAL		£	

I accept the terms & conditions of the London Chess Classic.
These can be read in full at www.londonchessclassic.com/termsandconditions

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