

Nottinghamshire Chess Association

Nottinghamshire County Championship 2015/16

NOTTINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL, WAVERLEY MOUNT, NOTTINGHAM NG7 4ED

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Entry Fees (all sections) Adult £16 Junior £12

Prizes

Championship 1st: £40 plus Silver Rook trophy; 2nd: £25;

Junior Champion (Under 18): £25 + trophy

U155 1st: £40 plus trophy; 2nd £25 U125 1st: £40 plus trophy; 2nd £25 Best score by a senior from any section: £25

Playing schedule

Round 1	Saturday 21st November	09:30-12:30
Round 2		13:00-16:00
Round 3		16:30-19:30
Round 4	Sunday 22nd November	09:30-12:30
Round 5		13:00-16:00

Rate of play (all tournaments):

35 moves in 75 minutes; then add 15 minutes to both clocks.

Notes for competitors

ECF Membership: Bronze Membership or above required.

Ages: Juniors are aged under 18 on 1st September 2015. Seniors are aged 60 or over on 1st January 2015.

Arbiter's decision: The Arbiter's decision will be final on all matters regarding the tournament.

Byes: Half-point byes may be requested from, and are at the discretion of, the Arbiter for Rounds 1–4. Byes are not permitted for Round 5. Only one half-point bye will be permitted for each player.

Defaults: Players not arriving within 30 minutes of the clocks being started for each round will be defaulted. Their opponents will be re-paired if possible.

Donations: All donations towards the cost of staging the championship are welcome.

Grading: July 2015 grades will be used. Ungraded players must provide full information regarding their playing ability and any grading previously held. Failure to do this may render a player ineligible for a prize.

Mobile phones etc.: All mobile phones and other electronic communication devices must be turned off in the tournament hall. This applies to players and spectators. If a player's phone rings during play, two minutes will be added to the opponent's clock on the first occurrence; for a second offence the player will lose the game.

Prizes: In the event of a tie prizes will be shared. No player may win more than one prize. The County Champion is guaranteed a prize of £40.

Refreshments: Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available free throughout the tournament.

Scoresheet: The official scoresheets provided must be used to record all games.

Smoking: Smoking is not permitted anywhere on the school site.

Trophies: The winner of each event will hold the trophy for 12 months or until the competition is next held. Ties will be broken by using the following successively: Sum of Progressive Scores; Sum of Opponents' Scores. If any changes to the tie break criteria are necessary they will be announced during the tournament.

Withdrawals: Players withdrawing without adequate reason or without notifying the organisers may be refused entry to the next championship. Players who withdraw will not be eligible for any prize.

Eligibility

Entry is restricted to players meeting at least one of the following criteria:

- 1 Born in Nottinghamshire
- 2 Living in Nottinghamshire
- B Working in Nottinghamshire
- 4 Attending an educational establishment in Nottinghamshire
- 5 Member of a club based in Nottinghamshire or affiliated to Nottinghamshire Chess Association

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