

Castle Chess News:

We are in our 17th season of Castle Chess. At the players review in October 2024 at Fareham it was agreed that we will run three events at the Lysses House Hotel in 2025 . Prizes will be dependent on the number of entrants.

Entry Fee £40

Tea / Coffee donation

£1.50 per cup. Max £9 for weekend

Castle Chess Grand Prix:

There will be no Castle Chess Grand Prix in 2025.

Castle Chess sends all results to the ECF for rating.

Non Silver or higher ECF members need to add £9 to their entry fee.

Castle Chess Winners October 2024

Open	David Collyer
Premier	David Collyer
Major	Nicholas Hordnes, Julian Llewelyn
Intermediate	Helen Archer-Lock
Minor	Ian Schreiber
Challengers	Isaac Macdonald, David Archer

Your enjoyment at a chess congress is our main concern.

Please ask and, if possible, we shall do our best to make it happen.

ACCOMMODATION AND VENUE:

The Lysses House Hotel:

51 High Street

Fareham, Hampshire. PO16 7BQ

01329 822622 www.lysses.co.uk

Castle Chess invites chess players for a weekend's congress in a family run 3* hotel. The Lysses House Hotel has recently been refurbished and is located close to the centre of Fareham, one mile from Fareham train station.

All of the bedrooms at The Lysses House Hotel are furnished to a good standard. There is a large lounge area and a restaurant which offers fine dining as well as a good range of bar meals.

Wi-Fi internet access is available, without charge.

There is free parking on-site for 39 cars.

BOOKING ACCOMMODATION:

This should be done through Castle Chess to gain the best rates in this splendid hotel. There are 21 rooms reserved by us until 1st January. Early booking is advised. There are seven single rooms available and 14 twin/double. There will be an extra charge added to the single rate £20 per night for single occupancy of the twin/double rooms

PACKAGE TYPES:

Entry Fee is included but Non ECF Members must add £9.00

		B&B only	
"A"	Single	1 night	£ 120
"B"	Single	2 nights	£ 196
"C"	Single	3 nights	£ 272
"D"	Twin	1 night	£ 95 per person
"E"	Twin	2 nights	£ 145 per person
"F"	Twin	3 nights	£ 195 per person

Single Supplement in a double room: £ 20 per night added to Single Room price.

Non-Players may deduct £40 from the cost of their room.

Entry Fee only: £40 (Subsidised by a generous private donation)

To obtain these rates your accommodation must be booked via Castle Chess



Presents their

26th Fareham Congress

in a hotel venue

FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY

17th – 19th January 2025

ECF Game Fee Registered

ENGLISH CHESS FEDERATION

2024/25 Chessable Grand Prix Event

3 Sections - 6 Round Swiss

OPEN	including Premier U2001
MAJOR – Under 1901	including Intermediate U1701
MINOR – Under 1601	including Challengers U1401

The Castle Controlling Team :

Tony Corfe (ECF Arbiter), Marc Shaw,

Barbara Corfe

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Non-Smoking Congress

CONGRESS - 6 round Swiss Tournament

ENTRY FEE - (without accommodation) £40

CONGRESS DISCOUNTS Junior (U18) £8.00

PRIZES: Expected £200 per section - but not Guaranteed, plus at least one grading prize in each section. Prizes are dependent on entries. The overall fund will be increased if the total number of adult entrants exceeds 60 players. This will be awarded pro-rata to each event based on their numbers. All cash prizes will be shared, but players will only be eligible to win one prize.

UNRATED players may only win 1/3 of any prize, in any section except in the OPEN! A rated player will be in the ECF list (Std or Rapidplay) or other national list.

WITHDRAWALS: A deduction of £10 will be made from any refund unless carried forward to a future Castle Chess event.

The first night's accommodation booked will have to be paid for unless at least 24 hours notice has been given.

LATE ARRIVALS: Players will be defaulted after 30 minutes from the round beginning. Re-pairing will take place if at all possible.

ENTRY CONDITIONS: The organizers reserve the right to refuse an entry, without assigning a reason, or to cancel or merge sections.

PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN AT THE EVENT may be used for publicity purposes. Players should advise the organizers if they do not wish to have their photographs published.

DISPUTES: Appeals against the Arbiter's decisions will be resolved by an appeals committee. In all other matters the decisions of the organizers are final.

Players are eligible to win points in one, or more, of the "English Chess Federation **2024/25** Chessable Graded Grand Prix" if the ECF run the event.

PLAYING SCHEDULE

Friday	Saturday
Rd 1 19:00 to 22:30 *The Players Review is an open forum that allows competitors to comment on the current congress and suggest any improvements for future Castle Chess events.	Rd 2 09:30 to 13:00 *Players Review 13:45 Rd 3 14:00 to 17:30 Rd 4 19:00 to 22.30
	Sunday Rd 5 09:30 to 13:00 Rd 6 13:45 to 17:15

No Prize-Giving as prizes sent via bank transfer.

RATE OF PLAY:

All games played on DGTs using incremental timing.
75 minutes plus 30 seconds per move.

All moves must be recorded throughout the game.

EVENT ENQUIRIES:

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Calendar of Castle Chess 2025

26th Fareham 17th – 19th January Lysses House Hotel

27th Fareham 14th – 16th March Lysses House Hotel

28th Fareham 10th – 12th October Lysses House Hotel

DATA PROTECTION REGULATION 2018:

Castle Chess holds the personal data of players who have provided it to us. We will only use it to contact you with regard to the marketing of Castle Chess or other chess related activities. In normal circumstances we will make contact by email or occasionally telephone / mobile. The data required for grading purposes will be sent to the ECF



Please advise us if you do not wish to be contacted.

Castle Chess - Fareham January 2025

FIRST NAME	
LAST NAME	
ADDRESS	
	Post Code
Telephone	
email	
ECF Rating and Code	
CLUB	
ECF Membership Type	
DATE OF BIRTH	
SECTION ENTERED	
Half Point Bye requested in Round(s)	not Rd 6
Accommodation PACKAGE TYPE	
(which includes Entry Fee)	
Arrival night	No of Nights _____
Accommodation / Entry Fee	£
Entry Fee Only	£ 40 - 00
Discount: Junior (U18) £8.00	£
DONATION (to help defray expenses)	£
NON ECF Silver/Gold Member Add £9.00	£
LATE FEE: £10 after 6th January	£
TOTAL	£

Cheques / PO payable to : "Castle Chess"

If not paying online, please send completed entry form with fee to: Castle Chess, 3 Greer Road, Harrow Weald, Harrow, HA3 6JF

PAYMENT ONLINE: USE THE FOLLOWING CODE:
25J FARE - first 4 letters of Surname - first 4 letters of First Name. eg: 25J FARE-Corfe-Tony
TSB: Sort Code: 30-16-64 Acct No. 00001021