



# BRITISH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS



JULY 27TH—AUGUST 5TH 2018

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# EVENTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMME

# A Message from the Hull and District Chess Association

A very warm welcome to the 2018 British Chess Championships, the first time in its history that it has been held in Hull.

Hull and District Chess Association is a charitable trust run and administered by 15 chess playing trustees. Our vision is for *'Hull to become one of the best places to play chess in the UK and for Hull to have one of the most forward thinking and vibrant chess environments in the UK. We will make Hull recognised as a good place to play chess and make people want to come to Hull to play chess'*. Having the British come to Hull fulfils part of that vision! For details of our events and more about chess in Hull visit our relaunched web site [www.hullchess.co.uk](http://www.hullchess.co.uk)

This leaflet contains details of non-congress events, daytime, evening and social events. We hope there is something for everyone. Considerable effort has gone into the development of this programme; Hull and District Chess Association, Hull Culture and Leisure and the British Chess Championships have all contributed funds to make most events free. Please support this programme. Note that for some events numbers are strictly limited and booking is required; for some a voucher is also required. Details of each event and how to book are contained within this leaflet.

## Playing in the Senior Over 50's Event?

The Hull and District Chess Association and Hull Culture and Leisure have been pleased to sponsor this event. Alongside sponsoring first, second and third prizes we have produced a splendid, unique, new trophy called the **City of Hull Trophy**, engraved with a design by Roger Noble the Press Officer of the Hull and District Chess Association.



The design encapsulates the City of Hull as well as chess. Created with movement in mind, the wave effect shows Hull as a port, while the two knights and King echo the British, ECF and our own Hull and District Chess Association logos, together with the three crowns from the City of Hull crest. Apart from this design being engraved on the new Senior Over 50's trophy, every participant in the over 50's will receive a free commemorative mug with the unique logo.

## Want to know about the history of chess in Hull?

The British Chess Championships see the publication of 'A History of Chess in Hull', a lavishly illustrated 100 page A4 book written by Roger Noble, the Press Officer of Hull and District Chess Association. Funded by Hull Culture and Leisure, copies of this book will be available free (as long as stocks last) to participants of the British Chess Championships and will be available from the HDCA stall, situated in the analysis room.

Finally we hope you all have a great time in Hull and wish you every chess success.

Stephen Greep, Hon. General Secretary

Hull and District Chess Association Charitable Trust (Registered Charity Number 1155858)



# Important Information

## How to book for events

Firstly, you may book for all the events in advance of the congress by contacting Dr Stephen Greep, Hon. General Secretary of the Hull and District Chess Association at [secretary@hullchess.com](mailto:secretary@hullchess.com). If you do this you will still need to collect vouchers where required and as explained in the programme. These will be reserved for you. Many of the events leave from outside the City Hall (the Congress venue), none (with the exception of The Deep if you decide to walk-13 minutes) are more than 10 minutes walk away from the congress venue.

Numbers are restricted for many events so you will need to book in advance. Tickets/vouchers will be available from the Hull and District Chess Association stand in the analysis room. The stand will be open daily from Friday 27th July until Friday 3rd August, from 11.00-14.00 and again from 16.00-18.00. Unless otherwise indicated, please do not turn up without a ticket for those events which require a ticket/voucher. Likewise if you book a ticket for an event, even if it is free to participate, please do turn up. Many events are number limited and if you take a ticket and don't turn up you will be depriving someone else of the chance to go. Furthermore, while events may be free to participate in, all of these events have been subsidised by the Hull and District Chess Association Charitable Trust, Hull City Leisure and The British Chess Championships, so they have not been free to us!

### Raffle

A raffle will be held in the analysis room adjacent to the bookstall in the area of the Hull and District Chess Association stand. The raffle will be drawn at 14.00 Thursday 2nd August. All profits from the raffle will go to the Chess Trust Charity. Thanks to the Hull and District Chess Association, The English Chess Federation, Chess Direct, Chess and Bridge, Ask Restaurant, Tesco, Vue Cinemas and a number of individuals for donating prizes.

### Chess Problem Solving Cake Competition

This will run all week and will be located near the bookstall. A chess problem on a cake in icing. The first correct answer out of the hat will win the cake-which will have its own carrying case! All profits from the raffle will go to the Chess Trust Charity. The winner will be drawn at 14.00 on Thursday 2nd August.

# Visit Hull and East Yorkshire

Many of you will have seen and used the congress booking site. This was provided by VHEY (Visit Hull and East Yorkshire). VHEY will be providing a Tourist Information stand at the congress - adjacent to the Hull and District Chess Association stand in the area of the bookstall and analysis room. This will contain leaflets on local attractions as well as maps and bus/train timetables on how to get to other local towns such as York and Beverley. For up to date tourist information please visit the VHEY web site : [www.visithullandeastyorkshire.com](http://www.visithullandeastyorkshire.com)

**A Note on Hull Museums:** Finished your game early or just at a loose end and don't know what to do in spare sessions? Hull has a vibrant series of museums. Immediately adjacent to the congress venue is the Ferens Art Gallery and the Maritime Museum. Ten minutes walk takes you to the Museums Quarter, where you'll find, in the heart of the old town, The Hull and East Riding Museum (archaeology and history), The Hull Street Life Museum (social history, with fantastic transport collections) and the Wilberforce Museum (exhibitions on slavery), birthplace of William Wilberforce leader of the anti-slavery movement in the nineteenth century. Entrance to all Hull museums is **FREE**



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# THE EVENTS PROGRAMME

## Wednesday 25th-Thursday 26th July (10.00-16.00)

In the days leading up to the congress, Hull and District Chess Association are funding a summer school for children with groups for beginners, intermediate and 'advanced'. While the first two groups will only be available to children living in our area, a small number of places will be made available in the 'advanced' group (ECF grade 100 and over). This will be led by Charlie Storey ([www.MasterChess.TV](http://www.MasterChess.TV)) All groups will be held at Hymers School, Hull. Details are available from Lester Jones of the Hull and District Chess Association ([lester42730@gmail.com](mailto:lester42730@gmail.com)). There is **no charge** for this coaching event.

## Friday 27th July -Sunday 29th July : FIDE Arbiter training course

To be held at the Holiday Inn Express, with tutors International Arbiters Alex McFarlane and Alex Holowczak. A rare opportunity to attend a level 4 arbiters training course in England. Applications (and more details) may be made through the ECF web site, arbiters section. You can book accommodation for the venue, Holiday Inn Express (five minutes' walk from the main railway station) through the congress web site.



## Saturday 28th July : The British Championships Chess Problem Solving Tournament (19.00-21.00)

Hull City Hall (the congress venue). Eight problems to be solved in two hours. Three sections with £50 prizes (awarded on the night). Open section, designed to cater for experienced solvers and stronger players. The Minor section for those with an International Solving Rating of less than 1700 or ECF U160. Third section for juniors. **Free** of charge.

## Sunday 29th July : Chess Film Night at The Vue Cinema, Princes Quay (20.00)

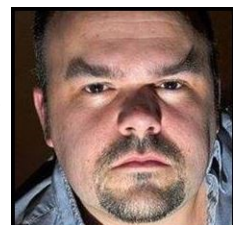


The Vue Cinema is situated on the top floor of Princes Quay Shopping Centre, right next door to the congress venue. We have hired Screen 4 from 20.00 (no pre-film adverts, so don't be late) and will be screening *Pawn Sacrifice*, released in the USA in September 2015, The film stars Tobey Maguire as Bobby Fischer and Liev Schreiber as Boris Spassky. Described simply as 'based on the true story of Bobby Fischer's challenge against top Soviet chess grandmasters during the Cold War and culminating in the 1972 World Chess Championship match versus Boris Spassky in Reykjavik'. It has yet to see widespread release in the UK; this is therefore your best chance to see it on the big screen! Entrance is **Free** of charge (but

you'll have to buy your own drinks and popcorn). The theatre seats just over 100 but to make sure you get in please pre-book (this will also allow the cinema staff to know you are at the congress). Tickets are available from the HDCA stand in the analysis room.

## Sunday 29th July : Ghost Walk (19.30-21.00/30)

An organised evening Ghost Walk with experienced guide Mike Covell of Amazing Hull Tours ([www.facebook.com/amazinghulltours](http://www.facebook.com/amazinghulltours)). Numbers are limited (25). **Free** of charge, but pre booking essential-tickets from the HDCA stand in the analysis room. The walk through the scariest parts of Hull starts at 19.30 from outside the City hall and lasts for around 2 hours. At the end a chance to buy a pint and something to eat (not included).



## Monday July 30th : Hull History Walk For Families (14.15-16.15)



A walk specially for families and children, looking at the history of Hull through its buildings with experienced guide Mike Covell of Amazing Hull Tours ([www.facebook.com/amazinghulltours](http://www.facebook.com/amazinghulltours)). Numbers are limited (25). **Free** of charge, but pre booking essential-tickets from the HDCA stand in the analysis room. Depart 14.15 outside the City Hall. The tour lasts for approximately two hours. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

## Monday 30th July : Chess night at Napoleons Casino (19.00 onwards)



A short walk from Hull City Hall, Napoleons ([www.napoleons-casinos.co.uk](http://www.napoleons-casinos.co.uk)) is Hull's premier casino. Entrance is free (must be over 18). Apart from the obvious casino facilities, there will be an area set aside for chess (boards, sets and clocks provided by HDCA). There's a free drink for all congress participants and a reduced price meal - just £7.50 for a burger, (further) drink and a £5 bet (conditions apply). A voucher system, with set times for food (19.30, 20.00 and 21.00) to ensure they can cope with demand, will be in operation. To receive the free drink and reduced price meal, drink and bet, you **MUST** pre book.

Limited numbers (50). Tickets from the HDCA stand in the analysis area.

## Tuesday 31st July : Special Trip to The Deep (13.30-16.00)

At 13.30 a special land train trip has been organised to take you to Hull's premier tourist attraction, The Deep, one of the most spectacular aquariums in the world ([www.thedeep.co.uk/](http://www.thedeep.co.uk/)). All participants in the British Chess Championships will be able to buy tickets for the Deep at the corporate group rate (Adult £10.50, Child £8.50, Senior/Student £9.50) - this is cheaper than you can find on line or at The Deep itself! You may go to the Deep at any time, but if you take the train ride (no charge) you will avoid any queuing at the Deep. To obtain this special rate you **must** buy a ticket from the HDCA stand in the analysis room.



If you just turn up at the Deep tickets are much more (adult on the day price is £13.50). The Deep is simply fantastic - if you only do one thing in Hull do this, adult or child. On site café for refreshments.

The land train will return from the Deep at 16.00. If you wish to travel on the Train (which is **free** of charge), you **Must** obtain a voucher from the HDCA stand. Limited to the first 60.

## Tuesday 31st July : Pub Walk and Buffet (19.30-until closing)



This evening enjoy an evening guided tour by Paul Schofield a fully qualified, freelance English Heritage accredited guide ([www.tourhull.com/](http://www.tourhull.com/)) of the pubs of Hull Old Town. An intoxicating tour (over 18's only) of some of the city's most historic and architecturally important public houses, including Ye Olde White Harte, Ye Olde Black Boy, The George, The Mission, and the White Hart. Departs from the City Hall 19.30. Complete with a buffet. **Free** of charge (including the buffet - but drinks not included!). Numbers are limited (25). **Pre booking essential**, no later than 12.00 on the day of the walk - tickets from the HDCA stand in the analysis room.

## Wednesday 1st August : Outdoor Chess Festival (11.00 - 14.00)

An outdoor event (weather permitting) in Queen Victoria Square, immediately outside the City Hall. Three games of living chess with the pieces being 'performed' by volunteers from the Hull City of Culture year. Each volunteer will have received a days chess training. The games will be between local politicians, media and sports stars, supported by experienced players from Hull. There will be tables, boards and sets for all to have a game in the square, as well as a 'rolling simul'. Please note this event is not yet finalised.

## Wednesday 1st August : Outdoor Chess Evening (19.30-till closing)

A five minute walk from the congress venue is Furley&Co ([furleyandco.co.uk](http://furleyandco.co.uk)), the venue for Hull's ECF sponsored Grandmaster@The Local Events. Out (and in) door chess sets from 19.30. Enjoy a pint of **GRANDMASTER ALE** specially brewed by the Yorkshire Brewery Company for the British Chess Championships. The first 100 pints are **FREE**. Furley&Co specialise in craft and keg beers and won the Hull Lifestyle pub of the year award in 2017 and were nominated for Yorkshire Best Pub in the same year. You do not have to pre book for this event but to get a free drink you'll need a voucher which will be available from the HDCA stall in the analysis room and on the evening (if there are any left)!





### **Thursday 2nd August : Pizza making and eating (15.00-16.00)**



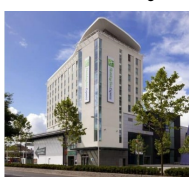
Juniors-make your own pizza down at Ask Italian Restaurant, you get to make it, eat it and wash it down with ice cream (plus free cordial is available for all children). Starts promptly at 15.00. Maximum numbers apply (20) so booking is essential. This event is **FREE of charge for children**, but accompanying adults must pay for their own refreshments and food.

### **Thursday 2nd August : Pub walk and buffet (19.30 till closing)**

Different route and pubs to the Tuesday event. Another tour, with Paul Schofield (see Tuesday's entry) that explores the Georgian suburbs of Hull, taking in pubs such as Punch, Dram Shop, Hop and Vine and Old English Gentleman. Departs from the Hull City Hall 19.30. Complete with a buffet. **Free** of charge (including the buffet - but drinks not included!). Over 18's only. Numbers are limited (25). **Booking essential.**



### **Thursday 2nd August : Congress Quiz Night (20.00 - 21.30)**



Join your quiz master Keven Staveley in a general knowledge, team quiz night, to be held at the Holiday Inn Express 20.00-21.30. Teams of up to four (organise your own teams), plus any juniors you'd like to bring along. Bring your own food, fully licensed bar. No charge for the quiz, simply turn up on the night (don't be late) and all will be explained to you. There will be small prizes for the winners.

### **Friday 3rd August : Congress Meal (20.00)**

A five minute walk from the congress venue is Ask Italian Restaurant. A specially arranged three course meal and a third of a bottle of wine per person. Just £20 per person. Prompt start at 20.00 (although you can arrive earlier and get a drink at the bar). Numbers limited (50). **Pre booking essential**, no later than 12.00 Thursday 2nd August. You will also need to pre order. The menu for this event is available as a separate link on congress section of the Hull Chess Association web site ([www.hullchess.com](http://www.hullchess.com)) and will be available at the congress. Choice of four starters, seven main courses and five desserts. Special requirements (e.g. gluten free) catered for. Simply pay for any extra drinks on the night.



**Please note that this list of events may be subject to change depending upon demand and local arrangements. A final printed list of events will be available at the Championships.**

**\*\* Remember you can pre book these events by contacting the Hon General Secretary of the Hull and District Chess Association, Dr Stephen Greep at [secretary@hullchess.com](mailto:secretary@hullchess.com) \*\***

### **OTHER NEARBY ATTRACTIONS FOR CHILDREN**

At St. Stephens Shopping Centre (under 10 minutes walk) you'll find climbing walls ([www.rock-up.co.uk/hull/](http://www.rock-up.co.uk/hull/)) the Gravity trampoline park ([www.gravity-uk.com/st-stephens-hull](http://www.gravity-uk.com/st-stephens-hull)). At Princes Quay (2 minutes walk) you'll find Tenpin bowling and Quasar ([www.superbowluk.co.uk/hull/](http://www.superbowluk.co.uk/hull/)). You can find times and prices to all these events online. Please note there are no Championship concessions.

### **MEALS AT ASK ITALIAN RESTAURANT AND FURLEY & CO THROUGHOUT THE CONGRESS**

Both these venues (see page 7 for directions) are close to the City Hall and are offering all congress participants a 25% reduction off food (Saturdays excluded at Ask) - flyers will be available (to prove participation in the congress) at the HDCA stall, in the analysis room. Furley&Co serve food until 20.00 Mon-Thur; 17.00 Friday; 18.00 Sat-Sun.

# Directions to event venues

Many of the events leave from immediately outside the City Hall, the congress venue. This simple list (for those of you without google maps!) gives you basic directions to other venues. None are more than 5 or 10 minutes walking distance from the City Hall (with the exception of the Deep if you don't take the free land train option). Please note that there will be plenty of maps of Hull available on the VHEY Tourist stand at the congress and the Hull and District stand will be manned between Friday 27th July until Friday 3rd August, from 11.00-14.00 and again from 16.00-18.00 (apart from 3rd August).

## **Ask Italian Restaurant (Pizza making and congress meal; reduced price meals all week) and Furley and Co (open air evening)**

On leaving the City Hall turn to your 'top' right. Keep the Maritime Museum on your left and just past the remains of the Beverley Gate (which is where the English civil war is reputed to have started with the refusal of Hull to let the King in). On Monument Steet. Turn right and walk down Princes Dock Street-keep Princes Quay and the water in front of it to your right. Furley and Co is about half way down on your left, immediately opposite the side entrance to Princess Quay. Ask is a further 100 yards on.

## **Holiday Inn Express (pub quiz night)**

On leaving the City Hall turn left and then left again walking down the side of the City Hall (Paragon Street). Walk to the very end of Paragon Street and across Ferensway (you will be immediately next door to Paragon railway station (Hull's main station). The Holiday Inn Express is 100 yards on the right of this past St Stephens shopping centre. If you get lost (difficult) just ask for the main railway station. Please note this is the Holiday Inn Express, not the Holiday Inn Hull Marina which is in a totally different direction (just in case you look on the internet).

## **Napoleons Casino (casino night)**

Walk straight over Victoria Square from the City Hall and walk up Savile street (keeping Café Nero on your right, then onto Bond street (right hand side), right onto George street. At the end of George Street cross over the A165 and go right. You should easily see Napoleons. This is a 10 minute walk (there are also some car parking spaces nearby).

## **Princes Quay (Ten Pin bowling and Quasar)**

This is immediately adjacent to the Congress venue. Just leave the City Hall and go right. The entrance to Princess Quay is in front of you (maybe 50/75 yards; 30 seconds walk from the City Hall entrance).

## **St. Stephens Shopping Centre (Climbing Walls and Trampoline park)**

See directions to the Holiday Inn which is adjacent to St Stephens.

## **The Deep (all during the congress; land train on Tuesday)**

If you are not going to take the Land Train on the Tuesday you can still easily walk to The Deep (13 minutes on Google Maps) . On leaving City Hall turn to your top right keeping the Ferens Art Gallery on your right. Walk past the remains of Beverley Gate on Monument Bridge. Carry straight on down Whitefriargate which is the pedestrianised shopping street immediately in front of you. At the bottom continue straight on along Silver Street. Cross the road and continue straight on down Scale Lane at the end of Scale Lane cross the road to your right you will see the Lion and Key pub. Walk down the side of the Lion and Key pub you will come to the Scale Lane Bridge, cross the bridge and turn to the right this road will lead you directly into the Deep Car park (chargeable if you drive there) . This sounds more complicated than it is ... but The Deep is just brilliant for adults and children alike and not to be missed.

## **Vue Cinema (cinema night)**

The Vue cinema is situated in the Princes Quay shopping centre (see above). Walk into the centre and you'll find lifts and escalators - The Vue cinema is on the top floor.

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