

## Chief Organiser

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## Arbiters

Adam Raof (Chief Arbiter), Norman Went and Michael Flatt with Ian Hunnable (webmaster)

## Online Entry

Enter Online at [www.southendchesscongress.org.uk](http://www.southendchesscongress.org.uk).

The Congress organisers reserve the right to refuse any entry without assigning a reason. No refunds.

## Donations

The Congress no longer has a sponsor so **donations** will be particularly welcome, to help cover expenses and maintain standards.

## Accommodation

See [www.visitsouthend.co.uk](http://www.visitsouthend.co.uk) Tel: 01702 618747

## ECF Membership

Available from [www.englishchess.org.uk](http://www.englishchess.org.uk)

Tel: 01424 775222

## Analysis

No analysis shall be allowed in the playing area. A separate area shall be provided for analysis.

## Website

[www.southendchesscongress.org.uk](http://www.southendchesscongress.org.uk) Early online entry is advised. Pairings, results and games will be published here and at [chess-results.com](http://chess-results.com)

## Essex Championships 2016-2017

The highest placed eligible competitor in the Open will be awarded the title of **Essex Champion**.

The highest placed eligible player in the Leigh-on-Sea U170 graded under 160 will be awarded the title of

**Essex Under 160 Champion**.

## Refreshments

Light refreshments will be on sale during the congress kindly provided by yElena Went.

## Late Arrival and Re-Pairing

Default time will be 30 minutes for all games. Players without an opponent will be re-paired if possible.

## Prizes

Where ties occur, prize money will be shared. Ties for any trophies will be resolved by the Sum of Progressive Scores and, if necessary, the Sum of Opponents' Scores.

## David Wood Junior Prize

In addition to other prizes the sum of £75.00 will be provided by the **David Wood Memorial Trust**, for the best performances by Essex Juniors (Under 18 on 31 Aug 2016).

## Hours of Play ALL TOURNAMENTS

Round 1:	Friday 11:00 am
Round 2:	Friday 4:00 pm
<b>Round 3:</b>	<b>Saturday 11:00 am</b>
<b>Round 4:</b>	<b>Saturday 4:00 pm</b>
Round 5:	Sunday 11:00 am
Round 6:	Sunday 4:00 pm
<b>Round 7:</b>	<b>Monday 11:00 am</b>

## Travel Information

Southend Adult Community College, Ambleside Drive, Southend-on-Sea, Essex SS1 2UN. **By rail:** 200 yards from **Southend East** Station (c2c Line).

## Parking:

Large free car park on site.



**SOUTHEND 2017**  
A Giant Chess Event

# Southend 2017

Southend Adult  
Community College,  
Ambleside Drive,  
Southend-on-Sea,  
Essex  
SS1 2UN

61st Southend Chess Congress

ALL SECTIONS 14-17 April 2017

Online entry:

[southendchesscongress.org.uk](http://southendchesscongress.org.uk)

British Championships qualifier

Essex Championships

£2000+ minimum Prize Fund

Supported by the Essex Chess  
Association

# Southend FIDE Open

## 7 rounds FIDE-rated Swiss

Rate of play: All moves in 90 minutes, plus 30 seconds a move from the start. *Equates to a four hour session.*

### Prizes

1<sup>st</sup>: £800 / 2<sup>nd</sup>: £500 / 3<sup>rd</sup>: £200

Rating / Grading Prize(s) according to entry

Titled players - **free** entry for GMs and IMs,

## British Championship Qualifying

Either one or two qualification places (according to entry) for the British Championship will be available. See British Championship Qualification regulations on the ECF Website.

## Entry Fees ECF SECTIONS

- FIDE Open Rated £ 45.00 GBP
- FIDE Open Unrated £ 50.00 GBP
- FIDE Open Senior 60+ £ 40.00 GBP
- FIDE Open Junior U16 £ 30.00 GBP

## Essex Championships

In the event of a tie for the Essex titles (see over for details) tie-break(s) will be, *Sum of Progressive Scores*, second tie-break if needed, *Sum of Opponents' Scores*.

## ECF Membership

All English entrants in the Open must be at least Gold members of the English Chess Federation. ECF membership in other sections is optional but will save you money!

## FIDE ID Number

All non-ENG players MUST supply a FIDE ID Number with entry from ratings.fide.com

# ECF Tournaments

## Four sections: U170, U145, U120, U95

## 7 rounds ECF-graded Swiss Tournaments

Rate of play: All moves in 90 minutes, plus 30 seconds a move from the start. *Equates to a four hour session.*

- **Leigh-on-Sea U170**
- **Westcliff U145**
- **Southchurch U120**
- **Thorpe Bay U95**

## Prizes in each section

£150 / £75 / £40

Grading Prizes according to entry

## Entry Fees ECF SECTIONS

- Bronze/ Non-Member £ 47.00
- Silver+ Member £ 40.00

## TWO Byes Available (All Sections)

TWO half point byes are available in any of round(s) 1-6, provided this is requested at time of entry.

## Prize Giving

All cash prizes will be awarded by bank transfer. There will not be a formal prize giving ceremony, though Essex Championships trophies will be awarded, and it would be lovely to get photographs of the prizewinners for the web site.

Send to: Adam Raof, 328 Watford Way, Hendon, London NW4 4UY.

Cheques should be payable to: Adam Raof

SECTION .....

First name: .....

Surname: .....

Address: .....

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..... Postcode: .....

Email: .....

Club: .....

Date of Birth: .....

ECF Grade: ..... FIDE Code: .....

If not FIDE rated or ECF graded, give below details of playing strength:

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ECF Member No: .....

FIDE ID Number: .....

(English players in the Southend Open must be Gold ECF members or higher. Non-ENG must supply a FIDE ID Number)

Up to 2 Half Point Byes (Rounds) .....

I enclose entry for:

Southend FIDE Open £ .....

ECF Tournaments £ .....

ADD Donation £ .....  
(Thank you)

Total £ .....

Entry on the day will cost an **additional £5**.