

How to Enter

(i) **Online** via the tournament website <https://www.kidlingtonchess.org.uk/>. After completing the online entry form found via the *Kidlington 2024* tab, click the *Add Entry* button at the bottom to be transferred to the PayPal website to make your payment. *Online entries close at 11.59pm on Friday 2 February.*

Or:

(ii) Fill in a copy of this entry form and send it by Saturday 27 January with your cheque (payable to 'The Kidlington Chess Tournament') to: Jon D'Souza-Eva, 24 Burrows Close, Headington, Oxford OX3 8AN.

We reserve the right to refuse entries or transfer entrants from one section to another at any point.

Withdrawals: If you withdraw before entries close on Friday 2 February we will refund your entry fee less a £3 administration fee. If withdrawing during the tournament, please notify a controller in person or note it on your result slip.

Byes: You may take a half-point bye in any *one* of the first four rounds. Please notify us if possible on the entry form or at the beginning of the tournament.

Rules & conditions: The tournament will operate in accordance with the FIDE Laws of Chess except as otherwise indicated on this entry form or on the Kidlington Tournament website. Players entering the tournament **agree thereby to abide by these rules and the decisions of the controllers.**

Electronic devices: A player **must not use any electronic device during a game** without the controller's explicit permission. Players may keep such devices with them at the venue, but they must be fully switched off (not merely muted). They must not be carried on the person during a game but may, for example, be kept in a bag on the floor or in a coat on the back of a chair. *These rules apply at all times during playing sessions.* In particular, a player whose **mobile phone** sounds during a game will forfeit the game.

Prizes: *Prize monies will be sent out within 7 days of the event by cheque or bank transfer.* Prizes will be shared in the event of a tie.

To be eligible for an age-related prize, entrants must supply their date of birth on the form. No entrant may receive more than one individual prize, but a winner of an individual prize remains eligible for a share in the team competition prize.

Team Competition

Free Entry — Teams of 4 players nominated from any sections — Prize £40.00
Enter on first day by 2pm.

Oxfordshire Individual Championship 2023-24

The title of Oxfordshire Chess Champion and the Championship Trophy will be awarded to the eligible player with the highest combined score in the **Open sections** of the Witney Weekend Congress (held in November 2023) and the 2024 Kidlington Chess Tournament. For full details of eligibility see the [Kidlington Tournament website](https://www.kidlingtonchess.org.uk/).

45th Kidlington Chess Tournament

3 & 4 February 2024

www.kidlingtonchess.org.uk



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Chief Arbiter: Matthew Carr

Controllers: Keith Freshwater, Jon D'Souza-Eva, Lucy Smith

An ECF Grand Prix Event

Prizes:	Open	U2000	U1800	U1600
1st	£250	£200	£200	£200
2nd	£125	£125	£125	£125
3rd	£75	£75	£75	£75
Rating	U2100: £40	U1900: £40	U1700: £40	U1400: £40
Rd 1 Loser	£40	£40	£40	£40
Veteran (60 or over at 1 Jan. 2024)		£40	£40	£40
Junior (U18 at 1 Jan. 2024)			£40	£40

STARTING TIMES OF ROUNDS:

Round 1	Saturday	9.30 am	
Round 2	Saturday	2.00 pm	(Few games
Round 3	Saturday	6.30 pm	will last
Round 4	Sunday	9.30 am	longer than
Round 5	Sunday	2.00 pm	3½ hours)

Rate of Play: All moves in *90 minutes, plus 15 seconds per move increment from move 1.* Any player arriving more than 30 minutes late will be deemed to have lost unless re-pairing is possible. His/her opponent, however, must expect to be paired again if another player is otherwise without a game after 30 minutes. *The rate of play is subject to alteration in the case of such re-pairings.*

Ratings and prizes: Ratings will be taken, where available, from the latest revision of the ECF's January 2024 rating list. If you do not have a current ECF rating, please give your most recent ECF rating or grade and any other current official rating. If you have none, please provide other evidence of your playing strength, e.g. tournament results. **Please note that:**
(i) Only players with a current ECF standard-play rating are eligible for rating prizes.
(ii) In the rating-limited sections, players for whom we lack rating information based on at least 10 rated games in the last 5 years can receive only half of any individual prize.

Please also note: it is a condition of entry that players agree to their rating information and results being published on the ECF and Kidlington websites and the [Chess-Results.com](https://www.chess-results.com) website. All pairings will be made with Swiss-Manager.

ECF Rating surcharge/Pay-to-Play fee: Under ECF membership arrangements there will be *no charge for the rating of the games of those who are ECF members at Silver level or higher*, but the tournament organisers will be charged £9.00 for the rating of the games of non-members or Bronze-level members. Bronze-level ECF members who pay the surcharge will have their membership upgraded to Silver level after the tournament.

Analysis: A separate room will be available for analysis and discussion.

Refreshments will be provided again this year by *Hackett's Outside Catering* and will include: bacon, sausage or egg baps; baguettes, panini, sandwiches, pasties and sausage rolls; a hot meal at lunchtimes on both days (e.g., cottage pie, chicken curry or similar); crisps, snacks, chocolate; a selection of cakes; bottled water, soft drinks, tea, filter coffee, and hot chocolate.

Bookstall: It is planned that a bookstall will return, supplied by *Chess Essentials*, which will have a range of books, DVDs, sets, and other chess equipment.

Pairing Requests. *Please try to avoid pairing me with:*

Name 1:

Name 2:

NB. We cannot **guarantee** to satisfy this request, and it will not apply to the final round.

ENTRY FORM								
45 th Kidlington Chess Tournament, 3 & 4 February 2024								
Name					Please tick ('✓') below as relevant			
Address					Junior			
					Veteran			
					Disabled			
Email address								
Telephone								
Club		Date of birth						
ECF Rating (standard-play)		ECF Code (6 figures followed by a letter)						
If no ECF standard-play rating, other rating (e.g., FIDE, National Elo, ECF Rapid)								
Please tick ('✓') chosen section	Open		U2000		U1800		U1600	
I would like to take a half-point bye (Rds 1-4 only) in Round:								
Are you an ECF member? (Yes/No)		ECF Membership Number						
Standard Entry Fee— for Silver-or-higher-level ECF members						£ 30.00p		
Rating surcharge— required for non-ECF members or Bronze-level ECF members (£9.00)						+£		
£5 discount for Juniors (under 18 at 01/01/2024)						-£		
£2 discount for early entries received by 12/01/2024						-£		
Donation						+£		
Total payment enclosed						=£		
Early entries (i.e., those received by 12/01/2024) may deduct a £2 discount. Donations are vital to our long-term survival & are gratefully received.				Enter online at www.kidlingtonchess.org.uk or send an entry form and cheque (payable to The Kidlington Chess Tournament) to: Jon D'Souza-Eva, 24 Burrows Close, Headington, Oxford OX3 8AN				