

## Grades and Ratings

FIDE ratings from the April 2018 list will be used for the Under 14 and Under 18 sections, and ECF grades published in the January 2018 list will be used for the Under 9 and Under 11 sections.

All sections will be ECF-graded. Additionally, the Under 11, Under 14 and Under 18 sections will be FIDE-rated.

Players without a current FIDE rating or ECF grade must give details of estimated playing strength, including any previously grading or rating information. The Organiser will assign a grade or rating for the tournament, where possible. If assigned, this grade or rating will be used for the purpose of pairings, and grading and performance prizes.

## Notices

English-registered players must be ECF Gold or Platinum members in the Under 11, Under 14 or Under 18 sections, or pay a £10 surcharge.

All players must be ECF Silver members or above in the Under 9 section, or pay a £5 surcharge.

Prizes may be changed subject to numbers of entries.

All pairings will be made using FIDE Swiss pairing rules using Swiss Manager and published online at Chess-Results.com and the MCCU website.

The submission of an entry form and payment of the entry fee denotes acceptance that the MCCU's decision is final in all matters.

The intention to input the moves of games played at this event, and they will appear online on Chess-Results.com.

A list of entries will be maintained on the MCCU website.

## English Youth Grand Prix

The English Youth Grand Prix forms part of the selection process by which a player can qualify to play for England. More information, including the Grand Prix Rules, leaderboard, and ECF Junior Selection Policy can be found at the websites below.

<http://englishchess.org.uk/Juniors/english-youth-gp/>

<http://englishchess.org.uk/Juniors/junior-selection-policy/>

## Time Control

The time control will be all moves in 90 minutes plus 30 second increment per move from move 1.

Re-pairing will be offered 30 minutes after the start of a round. Players who have not arrived will be defaulted 30 minutes after the scheduled start of a round.

## Accommodation

This tournament is being played in a school without on-site accommodation, but a number of hotels are available in the nearby town of Kenilworth.

## Organiser

IO Alex Holowczak. Please e-mail enquiries to:

[alexholowczak@gmail.com](mailto:alexholowczak@gmail.com)

## Arbiters

IA Alex Holowczak + others TBC

## Disclaimer

The MCCU accepts no responsibility for any damage, theft or accident to the person or property of anyone attending this event.



## **MIDLAND OPEN JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> April 2018**

Kenilworth School, Leyes Lane, Kenilworth CV8 2DA

Four ECF-graded Sections:  
Under 9                      Under 11  
Under 14                     Under 18

Under 11, 14 and 18 will be FIDE-rated

**Prize fund £2,375**

Part of the 2017/2018  
English Youth Grand Prix

[www.mccu.org.uk](http://www.mccu.org.uk)

## Sections

### **Under 18 (FIDE-rated and ECF-graded)**

Open to all players under 18 years old on 31<sup>st</sup>  
August, 2017

**1st £500; 2nd £250; 3rd £125**

Best performance prize of £50

Highest-scoring MCCU Junior prize of £50

Highest-scoring female prize of £50

**Entry fee £40**

### **Under 14 (FIDE-rated and ECF-graded)**

Open to all players under 14 years old on 31<sup>st</sup>  
August, 2017

**1st £300; 2nd £150; 3rd £75**

Best performance prize of £50

Highest-scoring MCCU Junior prize of £50

Highest-scoring female prize of £50

**Entry fee £35**

### **Under 11 (FIDE-rated and ECF-graded)**

Open to all players under 11 years old on 31<sup>st</sup>  
August, 2017

**1st £200; 2nd £100; 3rd £50**

Grading prize of £25

Highest-scoring MCCU Junior prize of £25

Highest-scoring female prize of £25

**Entry fee £30**

### **Under 9 (ECF-graded)**

Open to all players under 9 years old on 31<sup>st</sup> August,  
2017

**1st £100; 2nd £50; 3rd £25**

Grading prize of £25

Highest-scoring MCCU Junior prize of £25

Highest-scoring female prize of £25

**Entry fee £25**

## Notices

No player may win more than one prize. All place prize money will be shared equally between tied players.

The method for allocating grading and performance prizes can be found in the Terms and Conditions, available on the MCCU website.

## Late Entries

Entries sent after 31<sup>st</sup> March may be accepted on the subject to availability and payment of a £10 surcharge.

## Entry Forms

Online entry and payment can be made here:

[http://www.mccu.org.uk/m\\_congress/j\\_entryform.htm](http://www.mccu.org.uk/m_congress/j_entryform.htm)

Postal entry forms, together with the appropriate entry fee (cheques should be made payable to "MCCU") should be sent to:

Midland Junior Championships  
Alex Holowczak  
48 St. Brades Close  
Oldbury  
Worcestershire  
B69 1NX

## Playing Schedule

Round 1	Tuesday	10.00 – 14.00
Round 2	Tuesday	15.00 – 19.00
Round 3	Wednesday	10.00 – 14.00
Round 4	Wednesday	15.00 – 19.00
Round 5	Thursday	10.00 – 14.00
Round 6	Thursday	15.00 – 19.00

**A maximum of 2 half point byes may be taken in rounds 1 – 5.**

## Entry Form

I wish to enter the **Midland Junior Championship:**

Under 9   
Under 14

Under 11   
Under 18

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Club \_\_\_\_\_

ECF Grade \_\_\_\_\_

ECF Grading Code \_\_\_\_\_

FIDE Rating \_\_\_\_\_

FIDE Code \_\_\_\_\_

ECF Membership No \_\_\_\_\_

Federation \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth (Required) \_\_\_\_\_

Bye(s) in Round (please circle) 1 / 2 / 3 / 4 / 5

Entry Fee: £ \_\_\_\_\_

Discounts: £ \_\_\_\_\_

Donation: £ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed: £ \_\_\_\_\_