

Accommodation

Walton Park Hotel
Wellington Terrace, Clevedon,
North Somerset, BS21 7BL
Tel: 01275 874253
www.waltonparkhotel.co.uk

We have negotiated the following special deals for chess players staying at the hotel:

Single occupancy bed & breakfast- Friday & Saturday £75, Sunday £55
Double/Twin occupancy bed & breakfast- Friday & Saturday £85, Sunday £75

The hotel is a lovely chess venue.

“Walton Park Hotel was originally built in the late 19th century and has been sympathetically restored to become Clevedon’s Premier Hotel.

Guests can wine and dine in the Victorian splendour of the award-winning Somerset restaurant and enjoy the breath-taking sunsets over the Celtic coastline. The spacious, comfortable and lavishly equipped bedrooms, the majority of which provide magnificent views over the Bristol Channel, are individually designed and furnished to a high standard and all complete with freeview flat screen TV, complimentary beverages and free WiFi.”

HOW TO GET TO THE CONGRESS

How to get to the Congress: If coming by car, leave the M5 at J20, head for the seafront and turn right. (It’s that simple.) There is ample car parking at the hotel. If coming by train, alight at Yatton. This is about 4 miles away. There is a not particularly frequent bus service from Yatton to Clevedon, but you may wish to use a taxi.

7th Somerset New Year Chess Congress

11th and 12th January 2025

Superb Venue

Walton Park Hotel is a lovely Best Western seaside hotel overlooking the Bristol Channel

**3 Sections U-2050, U-1750 & U-1550
Five Round Seeded Swiss Tournament
Play commences Saturday 0930
Arbiter: John Constable**

You can find out who has entered the congress and download an entry form at;

<https://www.cornwallchess.org.uk/congress/somerset/somerset.shtml>

ENQUIRIES:

Mrs Rebecca Gardiner, 18 May Gardens, Lanner, Redruth, Cornwall TR16 6AR

Email: chess4u23@gmail.com

Telephone: 01209 217210 (calls before 9pm please)

During the congress in an emergency telephone the Walton Park Hotel 01275 874253

TOURNAMENT SECTIONS

MAJOR ratings under 2050

INTERMEDIATE ratings under 1750

MINOR ratings under 1550

The ECF December 2024 ratings list will be used for entries.

PRIZES

Prize fund expected to be £400 per section, subject to the number of entries received. Ungraded players are not eligible to win grading prizes and can only receive 50% of any prize money.

ENTRY FEES

£37 for all sections to ECF members at Gold level and above.

ECF Bronze members and non-members must pay an additional 'pay to play' fee at the new rate of £15.

Entries will be received on a first come, first served basis with capacity limited to 80.

TIMETABLE FOR PLAYING SECTIONS

Round 1: Saturday 09:30 Round 4: Sunday 10:00

Round 2: Saturday 14:00 Round 5: Sunday 14:30

Round 3: Saturday 18:30

DEFAULT & REPAIRING: 30 minutes after the scheduled start times.

RATE OF PLAY: All moves in 75 minutes plus 30 second increment per move.

BYES: Except for round 5, players may request one half point bye.

ENTRY & PAYMENT:

Entries can be made by post or by using the online entry form.
https://www.cognitofirms.com/chess4u1/_7thsomersetnewyearcongress2/

Payment to be made with a cheque payable to **Chess 4U** or Bank Transfer; **Chess 4U**, Sort Code: **30-13-42**, Account Number: **12757768**. Please reference your name.

Entries and a list of Congress rules can be found on the congress website.

<https://www.cornwallchess.org.uk/congress/somerset/somerset.shtml>

ENTRY FORM

Entries to:

Mrs Rebecca Gardiner, 18 May Gardens, Lanner, Redruth, Cornwall TR16 6AR

I wish to enter the Somerset New Year Chess Congress in the

MAJOR/ INTERMEDIATE/ MNOR

(Please circle)

Full name:

Address

Telephone:

Email address:

Club: ½ point bye in round.....

ECF Grade Code: ECF Grade:

(Ungraded players must give evidence of previous grades and recent performances in other competitions on a separate sheet)

ECF Membership Number:

Membership Level: PLATINUM/ GOLD/ BRONZE/ SUPPORTER

If you have any special requirements, please attach them separately.

Entry Fee (£37 All Sections) £.....

ECF Bronze member and non ECF members (add £15) £.....

Donation to Congress (Thank You!) £.....

Enclosed: Cheque (payable to **Chess 4U**) £.....

(We will send an email acknowledgement if an email address is provided. If a paper receipt is required, please enclose a SAE.)

Bank transfer: **Chess 4U**; Sort Code: **30-13-42**, Account number: **12757768**,

Please reference your name and SNYCC.

To the best of my knowledge and belief, the information I have given is correct. I accept the entry conditions stated on

<https://www.cornwallchess.org.uk/congress/somerset/somerset.shtml>

Signature: Date: