# Grades and Ratings

FIDE ratings from the December 2015 list will be used for the FIDE-rated sections, and ECF grades published in the August 2015 list will be used for the U130 section and unrated players in FIDE rated sections. If necessary players will be transferred between sections to take account of rating/grading movements after date of entry (see below).

The FIDE Open and FIDE U1900 (ECF U160) sections will be both FIDE rated and ECF graded. The ECF U130 section will be ECF graded.

Players without a current FIDE rating or ECF grade must give details of estimated playing strength, including any previously held grading, or current grading from another body.

Ungraded or unrated players may not win a grading prize and, with the exception of the FIDE Open, may only win 50% of any other prize.

## **Notices**

English players must be ECF Gold or Platinum members in the FIDE Open and FIDE U1900 (ECF U160) sections. There is a £5 discount for ECF Silver or above members in the ECF U130 section (see below).

Prizes may be changed subject to numbers of entries.

The 4NCL reserves the right to transfer players between tournaments at any time.

All pairings will be made using FIDE Swiss pairing rules using Swiss Manager and FIDE ratings from the December 2015 list.

The submission of an entry form and payment of the entry fee denotes acceptance of the congress's terms and conditions and that the 4NCL's decision is final in all matters.

The 4NCL reserves the right to refuse any entry without explanation.

# **Accommodation**

The following rates have been negotiated with De Vere Venues Wokefield Park:

 $\pounds 35.00~\text{BB}$  per person per night (based on two sharing)

£55.00 BB per person per night (single occupancy)

 $\pounds$ 50.00 DBB per person per night (based on two people sharing)

£70.00 DBB per person per night (single occupancy)

Please use the entry form below to let us know your accommodation requirements. Our partners Bridge Overseas will contact you to confirm arrangements.

Please ensure that you read the bedroom booking terms and conditions on the Accommodation page under the 6<sup>th</sup> FIDE Rated Congress section on the 4NCL website.

## How to Get There

The link below gives information about hotel location and access:

http://www.mercurewetherby.co.uk/contact.html

# **Control Team**

IA Alex McFarlane, IA Lara Barnes

## **Disclaimer**

The 4NCL accepts no responsibility for any damage, theft or accident to the person or property of anyone attending this event.



# 6<sup>th</sup> FIDE RATED CONGRESS

# 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> January 2016

Mercure Wetherby Hotel Leeds Road Wetherby LS22 5HEW

Three Sections: FIDE Rated Open FIDE Rated U1900 (U160) ECF Under 130

Prize fund £2,250

www.4ncl.co.uk

## **Sections**

#### **FIDE Open**

Open to all players

#### **1st £400; 2nd £200; 3rd £100** Plus best performance prize of £50

Entry fee £30 (£25 for hotel guests)

#### FIDE U1900 (ECF U160)

Open to: (1) FIDE rated players rated below 1900 FIDE AND below 160 ECF; (2) players without a FIDE rating graded below 160 ECF

> **1st £400; 2nd £200; 3rd £100** Plus best performance prize of £50

#### Entry fee £30 (£25 for hotel guests)

#### ECF U130

Open to players graded below 130 ECF

#### **1st £400; 2nd £200; 3rd £100** Plus grading prize of £50

#### Entry fee £35 (£30 for ECF Silver or above members <u>or</u> hotel guests, £25 for ECF Silver or above members <u>and</u> hotel guests)

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

The method for allocating grading prizes can be found in the Terms and Conditions, available on the 4NCL website.

## **Discounts**

GMs / IMs free, FMs half price. GMs please contact Mike Truran on mike@truranfamily.co.uk for other conditions.

## **Late Entries**

Entries may be accepted on the day subject to availability and payment of a £10 surcharge.

# Entry Forms

Completed entry forms, together with the appropriate entry fee (payable to "4NCL") should be sent to Mike Truran at The Old Farmhouse, 7 Church Street, Ducklington, Witney, Oxon OX29 7UA or emailed to mike@truranfamily.co.uk (in the latter case, please contact Mike for bank transfer payment details).

## Playing Schedule

 Round 1 Friday
 19.00 - 23.00

 Round 2 Saturday
 10.00 - 14.00

 Round 3 Saturday
 15.00 - 19.00

 Round 4 Sunday
 10.00 - 14.00

 Round 5 Sunday
 15.00 - 19.00

A  $\frac{1}{2}$  point by emay be taken in rounds 1 – 4.

# Time Control

All moves in 90 minutes plus 30 seconds increment per move from move 1.

Re-pairing will take place 30 minutes after the start of a round. Players will be defaulted 30 minutes after the scheduled start of a round.

### Entry Form

I wish to enter the:

FIDE Open

□ FIDE U1900 (ECF U160)

ECF U130

Name
Address
Telephone
Email
Club
ECF Grade
ECF Grading Code
FIDE Rating
FIDE Code
ECF Membership No
Federation
Date of Birth (Required)
Bye in Round (please circle) 1 / 2 / 3 / 4
Accommodation requirements
Entry Fee: £
Discounts: £
Donation: £

Total Enclosed: £\_\_\_\_\_