



## **ASIAN AMATEUR Chess Championship Parramatta Sydney 2012**

The Oceania Chess Confederation (OCC), on behalf of the Asian Chess Federation (ACF) and the Federation Internationale Des Echecs (FIDE), invites players to participate in the 2012 ASIAN AMATEUR Chess Championship to be held in Parramatta Sydney Australia from 1<sup>st</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> June 2012.

### **1. Format and Rate of Play**

The ASIAN AMATEUR Championship is open to all Asian players who have a FIDE rating below 2100 or are without a FIDE Rating. Players must not hold any GM, WGM, IM, WIM, FM or WFM title and must not have been rated 2100 or above during the past two years. The tournament will be played over 9 rounds under the swiss pairing system. The event will be FIDE-rated and played under the FIDE time control of 90 minutes plus 30 seconds per move starting from move one.

### **2. Playing Venue**

Parramatta RSL Club, Corner O'Connell & Macquarie Streets, Parramatta NSW 2150 Australia  
Venue information at <http://www.parramattarsl.com.au/>

### **3. Playing Schedule**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>
Friday 1 June 2012	All Day	Arrival
Friday 1 June 2012	7.00pm	Players Meeting
Saturday 2 June 2012	10.15am	Opening Ceremony
Saturday 2 June 2012	10.30am	Round 1
Saturday 2 June 2012	4.00pm	Round 2
Sunday 3 June 2012	10.30am	Round 3
Monday 4 June 2012	10.30am	Round 4
Monday 4 June 2012	4.00pm	Round 5
Tuesday 5 June 2012	10.30am	Round 6
Wednesday 6 June 2012	10.30am	Round 7
Wednesday 6 June 2012	4.00pm	Round 8
Thursday 7 June 2012	10.30am	Round 9
Thursday 7 June 2012	7.00pm	Closing Ceremony and FIDE Blitz
Friday 8 June 2012		Departure

### **4. Entry Fees**

The entry fee for the Asian Amateur Championship is A\$125, including A\$25 payable to the Asian Chess Federation

### **5. Prizes**

Total of A\$7,000 as follows: Open 1<sup>st</sup> A\$1,500; 2<sup>nd</sup> \$1,250; 3<sup>rd</sup> \$1,000; 4<sup>th</sup> \$750; 5<sup>th</sup> \$500.  
Best Under 1800 \$500; Best Under 1600 \$500; Best Women \$500; Best Oceania Player \$500.  
Asian Master titles will be awarded in accordance with FIDE regulations.

## **6. Registration**

All players must submit a completed ASIAN AMATEUR Registration form and pay the entry fee.

## **7. Closing Deadline**

The closing deadline for entries is 14 May 2012. All completed registration forms and payments must be received by that date. Late entries may be accepted with a late entry fee of \$50.

## **8. Australian Visas**

Players should note that the Australian Government requires 20 working days to process visa applications. The organisers will provide invitation letters to players on request, following submission of their completed Registration form together with the appropriate entry fee. No invitation letters will be provided after 1 May 2012.

## **8. Accommodation**

Parramatta has a wide range of accommodation available and is significantly cheaper than the Sydney Central Business District (CBD) or the Sydney Olympic Park. Players should make their own accommodation bookings direct with the hotels in Parramatta.

We have reserved some rooms at The Sebel Parramatta ([www.sebelparramatta.com](http://www.sebelparramatta.com)) at a room rate of \$150 per night (two double beds). Please book online or call 131515 and quote "ACC0612" with the type "Conference/Event" to secure this rate. See map at <http://www.mirvachotels.com/sebel-parramatta/contact-amp-map>

Alternatively see <http://www.wotif.com/hotels/australia-sydney-parramatta-hotels.html>

## **9. Airport Transfers**

Train is recommended. From either the Domestic or International Airport Train Stations, go to Platform 1 and take the train to Sydney Central Station and change to Platform 18 (the Western Line) for Parramatta. Travel time is approximately 45 minutes. Cost is less than A\$20. Then take short taxi ride to hotel if necessary.

Alternatively book an express door-to-door shuttle bus. One way fare is A\$68 (single) and A\$78 (double). See <http://www.airportconnections.com.au/parramatta.html>

Taxi fare from Airport to Parramatta (one way) will be in the range A\$80 to A\$100.

## **10. Parramatta Transport**

Parramatta City Council operates a free bus that runs every ten minutes around a loop that covers most areas of the city. See <http://www.parramattarsl.com.au/contact/loop-bus-timetable/>

## **11. Tie-Break System**

All players finishing with the same number of points will share the prize monies equally. The FIDE tiebreak system will be used for titles and distribution of trophies/medals.

## **12. Supporting Events**

A FIDE Arbiters Seminar will take place Thursday 31 May to Sunday 3 June 2012 at the same venue. The FIDE-rated NSW Open (a 7-Round Oceania and Australian Grand Prix Weekender) will take place at the same venue Saturday 9 June to Monday 11 June 2012. Details at [www.nswca.org.au](http://www.nswca.org.au)