

AUCKLAND CHESS CENTRE



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NZ Chess
Federation Inc

Presents
NZ CHESS SUPPLIES 117TH NZ
CHESS CONGRESS
Incorporating
New Zealand Chess Championships
&
New Zealand Major Open
New Zealand Rapid and Lightning
Championships
Jan 2nd – Jan 14th 2010
A Millennium Hotels
Grand Prix Super-Class Event



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ENTRY FORM

Name.....
Address.....
Telephone Day ().....Evening ().....
NZCF Code.....NZCF Standard Rating.....
Fide Rating.....
D.O.B (If Under 20 on 1st Jan 2010).....
I am a member of the.....Chess Club
Signature.....
Email.....

Fees Enclosed:

New Zealand Championship	\$.....
Major Open Entry	\$.....
New Zealand Rapid Championship	\$.....
NZ Lightning Championship	\$.....
NZCF Registration	\$.....
Donation Towards Organising Costs	\$.....

Please Return Entry Form to:

Mike Steadman
2/3 Rogan St,
Hillsborough
Auckland 1041

ENTRY DETAILS

All entries signed and accompanied by the appropriate entry fee shall be on the official entry form, or in writing including all the details required on the entry form.

Entry fees are as follows:

New Zealand Championship	\$120	(no junior fee)
Major Open	\$90	(Juniors \$60)

NZ Rapid Championship	\$50	(Juniors \$30)
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NZ Lightning Championship	\$30	(Juniors \$20)
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Special provision for Unwaged players—the junior rates for the above events will apply.

NO LATE ENTRY FEE SURCHARGE. Entries will be accepted up to 11am on the opening day, 2/01/10.

The deadline for entries to the New Zealand Rapid Championship is 8.30 am on 13th January 2010 the day of play.

The deadline for entries to the NZ Lightning Championship is 5pm on 14th January 2010 the day of play.

Any Major Open entrant promoted to the NZ Championship tournament to bring the field up to 18 shall pay the difference between the relevant fees.

As soon as possible after 15th December the Tournament committee will forward to NZCF affiliated clubs and NZ Championship entrants a list of Championship entries received up to that time. This will also be updated on the website.

TOURNAMENTS

New Zealand Championships—Jan 2nd-12th 2010

An 11 round Swiss Tournament with a minimum of 18 players, open to all New Zealand players with a current NZCF standard rating of 2000 or higher, or a FIDE rating of at least 2100. In the event of fewer than 18 qualified players entering, sufficient Major Open entrants will be invited, in order of rating, to bring the field up to 18. In the event of no more than 12 entries being received, the Championship will be conducted as a round robin of 12 players. The Championship tournament will be FIDE rated and overseas players may be invited by the NZCF Council. Any New Zealand player who does not fulfill the rating requirements set out above may apply to be treated as a special case; the player must demonstrate exceptional circumstances and such entries should be sent to:

NZCF
PO Box 216
Shortland St
Auckland 1010

Major Open—Jan 2nd-12th 2010

An 11 round Swiss Tournament, open to all players with a current NZCF standard rating of under 2000.

Olympiad Qualification

The highest placed New Zealand player in the NZ Championship (Outright Winner) will automatically qualify for the New Zealand team for the 2010 Chess Olympiad in Khanty-Mansiysk, Russia.

NZ Women's Championship

The highest placed female New Zealand player in the Major Open will be awarded the New Zealand Women's Championship for 2010 and a place in the 2010 Women's Olympiad team (outright winner only).

FORMAT & TIME CONTROL

The NZ Championship & Major Open will be held as 11 round Swiss tournaments over 11 days.

Playing Schedule	Round	Time
Jan 2nd (Saturday) Opening Ceremony		12.00pm
Jan 2nd	Round 1	1.00pm
Jan 3rd	Round 2	1.00pm
Jan 4th	Round 3	1.00pm
Jan 5th	Round 4	1.00pm
Jan 6th	Round 5	1.00pm
Jan 7th	Round 6	1.00pm
Jan 8th	Round 7	1.00pm
Jan 9th	Round 8	1.00pm
Jan 10th	Round 9	1.00pm
Jan 11th	Round 10	1.00pm
Jan 12th	Round 11	1.00pm
Jan 12th Prize giving		7.00pm

Time Control

The time control of the NZ Championship & Major Open will be: 90 minutes for the first 40 moves plus 30 minutes to finish the game plus 30 seconds per move from move one. Default time: 30 minutes from the start of play.

PRIZE FUND

The 117th National Congress has a guaranteed prize fund of over \$6000

New Zealand Championship

1st \$1000	4th	\$400
2nd \$800	5th	\$200
3rd \$600		

Major Open

1st \$600	4 th	\$100
2nd \$400		
3rd \$300		

Plus two grade prizes each of:

1st \$150
2nd \$75

New Zealand Rapid Championship

1st \$350
2nd \$250
3rd \$150

Plus two grade prizes each of:

1st \$100
2nd \$50

New Zealand Lightning Championship

1st \$150
2nd \$100
3rd \$50

Plus Lightning Reserve:

1st \$75
2nd \$50
3rd \$30

Positive Chess

For games in the Championship, agreed draws in under 25 moves are banned. This includes tacit advance agreements to draw (i.e. deliberate repetitions) and pre-arranged draw agreements. The aim of this rule is to encourage a competitive, fighting tournament, and we trust all players will adhere to this in a sportsmanlike manner. Genuine draws by repetition are allowed.

For infringements of this rule, the following prize money penalties will be automatically applied to both players: 1st offence, a deduction of 50% of any prize money won; 2nd offence, a deduction of 100% of any prize money won.

Refreshments

Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available throughout. Lunch and dinner are also available at the venue and various locations nearby.

Appeals

A player may appeal against the decision of an arbiter. An Appeal Committee will be formed with three members selected from participants in the tournament. An appeals fee of \$50 will apply, to be refunded if the appeal is successful.

PLAYING VENUE

Alexandra Function Centre
Lyell Creek/Owners & Trainers lounge
Greenlane Rd
Greenlane
Auckland

**NEW ZEALAND RAPID
CHAMPIONSHIP**
JAN 13TH (WEDNESDAY) - JAN 14TH (THURSDAY)

A 9 round Swiss tournament open to all players.

Time control:

25 Minutes + 5 Seconds per move
FIDE Rapid rules will apply.

**NEW ZEALAND
LIGHTNING CHAMPIONSHIP**
THURSDAY JAN 14TH, 6.00PM

Open to all players, this will be run in preliminary and final groups, with the initial groups made up according to seeding. The top two players from each group will qualify for a round robin final, with the remaining players contesting the NZ Reserve Lightning Championship, which will be run as a Swiss tournament. The number of rounds will depend on the number of entrants. The time limit will be five minutes per player for the entire game and FIDE lightning rules will apply.

Eligibility

All Entrants, other than specially invited overseas players must be registered under NZCF rules. Any entrant who is not already NZCF registered may register when entering. The 2009 rates for NZCF registration are \$13 for adults and \$6.50 for juniors (Under 20 as at 1st Jan 2009)

Director of Play

The Director of Play for all Congress will be experienced arbiter Bruce Pollard.

Information Update

An information update service will be posted on the website: www.aucklandchesscentre.co.nz. This site will be used to update entries and provide pairing updates during the tournament.

Live Games

There will be live internet broadcasting of several championship games each day. Links via [ww.aucklandchesscentre.co.nz](http://www.aucklandchesscentre.co.nz)

New Zealand Chess Supplies

As sponsors of this year's congress, New Zealand Chess Supplies will be displaying and selling a range of merchandise at the venue.

Web: www.chess.co.nz

Email: chess.chesssupply@xtra.co.nz

Accommodation Options

www.millenniumhotels.co.nz/kingsgateauckland

Kingsgate Hotel Parnell Auckland

92-102 Gladstone Road

Parnell, Auckland

T: +64 9 377 3619

F: +64 9 303 3716

Abella Court Motel (across road from venue)

224 Greenlane Road

Epsom, Auckland

T: +64 9 630 7864

F: +64 9 630 6620

Mention the NZ Chess Championship when booking to receive rates below at Abella Court.

Type of Unit	Discounted Tariff/night
Two Bed Studio	\$95
Twin Interconnecting	\$160
Family Unit	\$130
Standard Unit	\$86
2 Single Bed Unit	\$80