### Venue

Edinburgh College, Sighthill Campus, Bankhead, Edinburgh EH11 4DE. The venue offers convenient transport links from other parts of Scotland, situated close to Bankhead tram stop and railway stations at Edinburgh Park, South Gyle and Wester Hails. Free car parking is also available.

The playing hall offers ample space to host all the Blitz events in one large room. Vending machines are available on site there are eating establishments and supermarkets near by. You may bring your own refreshments if you wish. The college building offers a spacious environment and the recently built Atrium has been designated a parent area.

### Photographs

Photographs taken at the event may be used for publicity purposes. Any objection should be notified to the event organiser prior to the event.

## **Rate of Play**

Each player will have 3 minutes plus a 2 second increment per move from move one.

### **Other Junior Only Events**

We will be hosting a morning Under 11 blitz and an afternoon 11-18 FIDE blitz competition. Juniors are welcome to play in their age range competition and in the subsequent morning or afternoon event.

## **Further Information and FAQ's**

#### New to Competitive Chess - Is a Blitz suitable for me?

Yes, if you are confident in playing fast chess and can play with a clock.

#### I haven't got a FIDE Rating, can I play in the FIDE Blitz?

Yes, absolutely. But contact us early to make sure you are registered. And have a FIN

#### Where can I obtain further information?

Use the Contact Form on the website to request further information.

http://congress.popmalc.org.uk/congress/15/home

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# **Two Summer Blitz**

# 9 Rounds each, AM & PM Edinburgh College, Sighthill Saturday 17 June 2017 AM FIDE Rated - 10:00 to 12:30 PM FIDE Rated - 14:00 to 16:30

# Chief Arbiter: John McNicoll



# 18 games of Blitz chess for just £20

# **Entry Fees**

On-Line in Advance - AM or PM	£15
<b>On-Line in Advance - Both events</b>	£20
AM or PM in addition to a junior event	£5
Debit/Credit Card or Pay-Pal Last day for on-line entries - Wednesday 14 June.	
On-line after Sunday 14 May - Add £5	£20/£25
On the Day - Add a further £2	£22/£27

**Cash Payments Only** 

### To enter, use the on-line entry form at

http://congress.popmalc.org.uk/congress/15/home

If entering on-line presents any issues to you, please contact us via our contact form on the website or text 07900175322

### **Entry Requirements**

On-line entry requires a FIDE Identification Number (FIN).

If you do not have a FIN, please choose one of the following options:

1. If you wish to be registered as Scottish for the future, please enter your Birth Year on the entry form.  $^{\ast\ast}$ 

2. If you do not wish to be registered as Scottish for the future, please contact your federation for a FIN

\*\* Please note - Any future changes of federation will incur a cost to you. We first need to confirm your eligibility to register as Scottish with Chess Scotland before we can enter you in the tournament. The requirements are as follows:

- 1. Be born in Scotland
- 2. Have a Scottish parent

3. Have been a current resident in Scotland for a minimum of two years (under 18, one year's residency)

We cannot accept late entries to the FIDE Blitz from non Scottish players who are not registered with their home federation.

# **Prizes**

### 1st Prize

#### Rating Bands above 1640(125 ECF\*)

Highest scorer of the middle third rated players Highest scorer of the lower third rated players

#### Rating Bands below 1641(125 ECF\*)

Highest scorer of the top half rated players Highest scorer of the bottom half rated players

\* ECF conversion rate (ECF\*7.5)+700

The organisers reserve the right to redistribute, in whole or in part, any prize won by a competitor who has won or shared a prize. Players with estimated ratings are eligible for rating prizes. Players who do not have an estimated rating, are not eligible for a rating prize.

### **Timetable**

	Morning	Afternoon		Morning	Afternoon
Announcements	09:55	13:55	Break	11:15	15:15
Round 1	10:00	14:00	Round 6	11:30	15:30
Round 2	10:15	14:15	Round 7	11:45	15:45
Round 3	10:30	14:30	Round 8	12:00	16:00
Round 4	10:45	14:45	Round 9	12:15	16:15
Round 5	11:00	15:00	Presentation	ASAP	ASAP

Please note round times are an indication only and may vary slightly.

### **Pairings**

For the purposes of pairing players for games, ratings will be based on the following (in order of priority): - 1. FIDE Blitz 2. FIDE Rapid 3. FIDE Standard 4. National Rapid 5. National Standard. There will no re-pairings should players fail to appear. Players who fail to appear will be defaulted when their time runs out.

£50

£30 each

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