

CANBERRA CHESS CLUB



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____

Email: _____

Mobile Phone: _____

Date of Birth:
(Required for rating purposes and for Junior Status) _____

Do you want to receive the weekly Club email? Yes No

Canberra Southern Cross Club (CSCC) Membership

The Canberra Chess Club currently enjoys rent-free accommodation in the CSCC Community Rooms, under the CSCC's Community Contributions Program. The ongoing generosity of the CSCC allows our Club to continue to offer chess events to our members at a very modest annual membership cost (\$25 per annum/\$10.00 for Juniors). As our Club could not continue to function as a low-cost activity for members without the CSCC's support, membership of the CSCC is a requirement for Canberra Chess Club membership. The CSCC's annual membership cost is \$12.50 single or \$18.00 family (concessions apply).

NOTE – FOR PARENTS OF JUNIOR PLAYERS

Use of Photography – Club Committee Members may occasionally take photographs of Club players, during tournament play or (more usually) during the presentation of Cups or Medallions to the winning players. These photographs are displayed on Club information stands and may be posted to the Club's web page. If you do not want your participating child to be photographed during Club events, please let a Committee Member know.

Declaration

I agree to follow the Club's Code of Ethics for Tournament Play (see attached) and to accept the Director of Play's decisions regarding game outcomes and claims made by players during tournament play.

Signed:

Dated:

Welcome to the Canberra Chess Club,

Brian Butler

President

Privacy Statement – The Canberra Chess Club uses the personal information provided for the sole purpose of Club administration. Your name and date of birth will be shared with the Australian Chess Federation (for rating purposes). Your name will also appear in the Club's weekly emails and on the Club's website when tournament results are posted.

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CLUB INFORMATION

We meet:	Thursday evenings at 7.00 pm
At:	Canberra Southern Cross Club Corinna Street, Woden ACT Community Room 2
Our Activity:	Tournament (competitive) Chess, played with clocks and score sheets Time controls for games vary from several hours (classical) to lightning or rapid chess (5 to 15 minutes)
Annual Subscription:	\$25.00 (\$10.00 for junior players under 18)
Contact Us:	Email canberrachessclub@gmail.com Website www.canberrachessclub.com

We are affiliated with the ACT Chess Association (ACTCA), the Australian Chess Federation (ACF) and the International Chess Federation (FIDE).

GETTING A GAME

- The Club aims to commence tournament play by 7.00 pm, and it takes time to arrange the tournament draw when entrants are known.
Please arrive before 7.00 pm if you want a game
- Let the Directors of Play (DoP – Lee Forace, 0415 037 148 or Roy Teymant, 0412 249 879) know if you are held up and cannot arrive before 7.00 pm.

ETHICS FOR TOURNAMENT PLAY

The Canberra Chess Club is affiliated with the Australian Chess Federation, which has a Code of Ethics regarding standards of behaviour during tournament chess play. This Code is to ensure that all players enjoy a positive playing environment, and that behaviour which is discourteous or generally unacceptable by normal social standards is addressed.

Under this Code, your Committee seeks that the following standards of play and player interactions are met –

At the start of play –

- Acknowledge your opponent by shaking hands or with “prayer hands”
- Turn off or mute your mobile phone. Your phone cannot be on your person during game play

During play –

- Keep noise to a minimum
- Do not “hover” over the board with your hand or body while considering a move
- Do not intentionally knock the chess pieces over
- In tournament chess, the “touch-move” rule applies. If you touch one of your pieces, you must move it (if legal to do so). Similarly, if you touch one of your opponent’s pieces, you must capture it (if legal to do so)
- If you wish to adjust the placement of pieces during the game (but not move or capture them), say “I adjust’ or the French equivalent “J’ adoube”
- Do not make continual draw offers where your opponent has already indicated their intention that the game continue

If there are any issues or uncertainty at the board, or if you need clarification of a rule, stop the clock and request assistance from the DoP.

Clock Etiquette –

- The player of the Black pieces has the right to decide on which side of the board the clock is placed
- Press the clock with the same hand with which you moved the piece (this is a rule of tournament chess)

- **Do not handle the clock with undue force**

Score sheets –

- **For classical time control games (where you start with 60 minutes or more on your clock), it is a requirement that you record the moves of the game (for yourself and your opponent) on your score sheet. This is a rule of tournament chess, to assist the DoP to determine claims made by players such as illegal moves and draws by three-fold repetition of the position or by the 50 move rule.**

Resignation –

- **Resigning the game is signaled by telling your opponent that you resign or by intentionally (and gently) knocking over your king**

After the game –

- **Enter the result of your game in the DoP's computer**
- **If you remain in the playing area as a spectator, keep noise to a minimum**

This list of ethical player behaviour is not intended to be inclusive of all behaviours which fall under the desired standards of fair play and sportsmanship during tournament play.

Your Committee members are available to clarify any questions which may arise regarding the Club's Code of Ethics.