



The Leinster Chess Union is pleased to announce the Leinster Championships for the 2006/07 season.

Time and Venue

28th – 30th December 2006 (Thursday to Saturday) in An Oige, 61 Mountjoy Street, Dublin 7 (home to the Phibsborough Chess Club and just five minutes walk from O'Connell Street North and Parnell Square).

Prizes

Generous prize fund guaranteed - 1st Prize in Masters Section is 1,000 Euro and this section will be FIDE rated. All other prizes subject to entry and any sponsorship obtained.

Playing Sections & Rate of Play

Masters, rating of 2000 and over,
Majors 1600 – 1999,
Challengers, 1200 – 1599
Juniors, 1199 or under, including unrated players.

Players whose ratings are within 100 points of the threshold for a higher section may, if they wish compete in the higher section.

Entrants without an Irish rating will be allocated to the playing section appropriate to their estimated playing strength at the discretion of the tournament controller.

The rates of play are 2 hours per player in the Masters and Majors Sections and 1 hour and 30 minutes per player in the Challengers and Juniors Sections.

Entry fees

Masters, Majors & Challengers €45 per player (€35 if payment is received on or before Monday 19th December 2005), €25 for players aged 18 or under on 1st December 2006.
Juniors €30 per player. (Please note that entries close on Friday 22nd December 2006).

Cheques should be made payable to the "Leinster Chess Union". Players are required to bring their own board, set and clock please. Non ICU members will not be allowed to compete in the tournament FIDE Rules as per ICU handbook 1990 and ICU Allegro finish rules 1996 apply.

Competitors are also requested to arrive as early as possible for registration to facilitate the completion of the first round draws on time.

The timetable is as follows :-

Thursday 28th December 2006

Masters & Majors (Room 102)

Registration 9.30 am – 10.45 am,

Round 1 11.00 am sharp

Round 2 4.00 pm

Challengers & Juniors (Restaurant)

Registration 11.00 am – 12.00 noon

Round 1 12.00 noon, **Round 2** 4.00 pm

Friday 29th December 2006

Masters & Majors

Round 3 10.00am, **Round 4** 3.00 pm,

Challengers & Juniors

Round 3 12.00 noon,

Round 4 4.00 pm
Saturday 30th December 2006
Masters & Majors
Round 5 10.00am,
Round 6 3.00 pm.
Challengers & Juniors
Round 5 12.00 noon,
Round 6 4.00 pm.
Prizegiving 7.15 pm in the Restaurant

Accommodation

An "Oige", 61 Mountjoy Street, Dublin 7, Phone (01) 8304-555, fax (01)8305-808.

There is a considerable amount of competitively priced Dublin city centre hostel accommodation within easy walking distance of the playing venue. Visit the website www.hostelworld.com for details and book on-line. The website contains maps and directions for all locations.

Entry Form (Please complete in block capitals)

Name : _____

ICU Code : _____

Rating : _____

Club : _____ Section entered : _____

Contact Phone Number : _____

E-mail _____

Date of birth (if under 18) : _____

Entry Fee Enclosed : _____

Entries to :- Mick Germaine, 59 Russell Avenue East, East Wall, Dublin 3.
Phone (01) 855-6576, e-mail :- mlgermaine@eircom.net .

Please note that there is another Russell Avenue in the Dublin 3 postal district near Croke Park, so it is essential for tournament entrants to write "59 Russell Avenue East, East Wall" in the address when submitting entries and fees to the controller.