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Combine a holiday with a chess tournament in scenic HANMER SPRINGS

2019 South Island Championships

Incorporating the 2019 All Canterbury Championships

Sponsored by NZCF and Benson Insurance Brokers

Saturday October 5 – Thursday, October 10 2019

Location: The spectacular Hanmer Springs – approximately 130km from Christchurch, or about 1hr 45 mins by car. Bring the family and make a holiday of it and enjoy the world-famous hot pools, bungee jumping, rafting, boating, and various outdoor reserves and walks.

Venue: Heritage Hotel Hanmer, 1 Conical Hill Rd, Hanmer Springs – 0800 368888 or <https://www.heritagehotels.co.nz/hotels/heritage-hanmer-springs>

Format: 9 round Swiss tournament over 6 days (see timetable below). Pairings will be done with Vega.

Half-point byes: To give flexibility to chess enthusiasts combining the tournament with a holiday, any player may elect to take up to three half-point byes, to be taken no later than round seven except that any NZ player who wishes to be eligible to win the South Island Championship title may only take one half-point bye. The Chief Arbiter must be informed before the end of the previous round or when entering for first round byes.

Time control: 90 minutes for the game plus 30 seconds per move added from move 1.

Rating: The tournament will be NZCF-rated and FIDE-rated. For the purposes of pairings and grade prizes, NZCF standard ratings will be used. Where players do not have a published NZCF rating, the Chief Arbiter may assign a rating at his discretion.

Prizes: A minimum prize fund of \$5000 is guaranteed: 1st \$1500 2nd \$1200 3rd \$900 4th \$600, Under 2000 and 1700 grades 1st \$200 2nd \$150, All Canterbury Champion \$100. Players may not win an open and a grade prize – they will be awarded the highest dollar value prize. The highest-placed South Island player will be the 2019 South Island Champion. **Please note that any player who takes more than one half-point bye will not be eligible for the South Island Championship.** The highest-placed Canterbury resident will be the 2019 All Canterbury Champion – this prize is additional to any other prizes won.

Tournament Organiser/Chief Arbiter: IA Craig Hall. Ph: 0211289543 or Email: canterbury@chess.org.nz

Official Website: Entries, pairings and results will be available as Vega files in the Calendar section of the NZCF website at www.newzealandchess.org.nz. Tournament regulations and other information will be available on the Canterbury Chess Club website at www.chess.org.nz.

Entry Details: The entry fee is \$100 for players who enter and pay by 31 August 2019, or \$125 for players who enter and/or pay after 31 August 2019. Please note entries will not be accepted after 30 September 2019. Players with GM, WGM, IM or WIM titles may enter for free – entry fee will be deducted from any prizes won. Please note that all NZ players must be registered with NZCF – unregistered players may register at entry for \$20. **Non-NZ players must have a FIDE ID prior to entering.**

Overseas players: The entry fee may be paid in cash at the venue in which case the entry fee will be based on the date the entry is received – a copy of flight tickets to NZ must be provided with the entry to take advantage of this. Titled overseas players must also provide a copy of flight tickets to NZ with their entry in order to qualify for the free entry.

Playing Schedule:

Saturday 5 th October	Registration*	1:00pm – 1:45pm	Players Meeting	2:00pm
			Round One	2:30pm
Sunday 6 th October	Round Two	9:00am	Round Three	2:30pm
Monday 7 th October	Round Four	9:00am	Round Five	2:30pm
Tuesday 8 th October	Round Six	9:00am		
Wednesday 9 th October	Round Seven	9:00am	Round Eight	2:30pm
Thursday 10 th October	Round Nine	9:00am	Prizegiving	Following Round 9

***Players who have not registered by 1:45pm may not be paired for round one.**

Transport from Christchurch to Hanmer Springs: By shuttle or hire a rental car.

- Intercity: <https://www.intercity.co.nz/> or 03 3651113
- Hanmer Connection: <https://www.hanmerconnection.co.nz/> or 0800 242663
- Hanmer Tours & Shuttle: <http://www.hanmertours.co.nz/> or 03 3157418
- Wheels Rent-A-Car: <http://newzealandrentalcar.co.nz/> or 0800 736894 (based in Christchurch but the only rental car agent with an office in Hanmer Springs)

Accommodation: Stay at the venue, or a local motel or holiday home.

- Alpine Holiday Homes: <https://www.alpineholidayhomes.co.nz/> or 03 3157184
- Hanmer Holiday Homes: <https://www.hanmerholidayhomes.co.nz/> or 0800 130782
- Bookabach.co.nz, Holidayhouses.co.nz and AirBnB also have holiday homes available
- Alpine Garden Motel: <https://alpinegardenmotel.co.nz/> or 0800 335556
- Alpine Lodge Motel: <https://www.alpinelodgemotel.co.nz/> or 0800 993377
- Asure Accommodation: <https://www.hanmer.com/> or 0800 114511
- Drifter's Inn: <http://www.driftersinn.co.nz/> or 03 3157554

Transport and accommodation options presented are not exhaustive and other options may be available. Transport (including pick-up from Christchurch Airport) from Christchurch to Hanmer Springs can be arranged, and it may also be possible to arrange sharing of accommodation with other players – costs to be shared. Please contact the organiser to enquire.

Location Information: More information about Hanmer Springs is available on the official Hanmer Springs website: <https://visithanmersprings.co.nz/>

Note that weather is quite variable in Spring – there is no shortage of rain and temperatures can range from 18° C during the day to <5° C overnight.

To enter: email canterbury@chess.org.nz with your name, phone number, NZCF registration code and FIDE ID, and pay the entry fee by internet banking to: 03 0802 0093915 00 (please include your name and "Hanmer" as a reference). To take a half-point bye in the first round, please advise when entering. To enter by post, complete and post the entry form on the next page – payment can be made by cheque (include with your entry form), or into the account above by internet banking or at a Westpac bank or ATM (if possible, please include your name and "Hanmer" as a reference).

Entry form – please complete and post to:

Canterbury Chess Club
7 Korora Street
Christchurch 8062

Name:	NZCF Code:
Date of Birth:	FIDE ID:
Email address:	Phone number:

Half-point bye in round 1: Yes / No (*circle one*)

Entry Fees (*Please make cheques payable to "Canterbury Chess Club"*)

South Island Championships (<i>circle one</i>)	\$100 or \$125 if posted after 31 August 2019
NZCF Registration Fee (<i>if applicable</i>)	\$20
Donation towards costs	\$

Total: \$ _____