TEAMS OF FOUR

TIME CONTROL 1H30+15

PRIZES FOR 1ST - 3RD AND BEST OVERPERFORMANCE



CHURCHTOWN CHESS CLUB
PRESENTS

THE 2025
CHURCHTOWN
CHALLENGE
CUP



5 ROUNDS

JUNE 28 + 29 COLLEGE, CHURCHTOWN

ENTRIES €80 PER TEAM*
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*All standards welcome, provided players are over the age of 18.

Churchtown Challenge Cup - Terms and Conditions

General

- The Churchtown Challenge Cup is a five-round team competition to be played on 28 and 29 June in De La Salle College, Churchtown.
- The tournament will be rated by the Irish Chess Union.

Tournament format

- Matches will be played between teams of four players.
- The time control for all games will be 90 minutes plus 15 seconds for each move.
- Match results will be determined by aggregate game score. Matches in which both sides score two game points will be considered a draw.
- Teams will be awarded two points for a match win and one point for a match draw.
- The draw for each round will be determined by a Swiss pairing. Seedings will be done based on the ICU rating of the top four boards in each squad.
- Should two teams finish on the same score, tiebreak will be based on game score followed by number of game wins.

Squad composition

- Teams may declare up to six players in their squad. Squad declarations must be finalised and submitted to Churchtown Chess Club by Tuesday 24 June.
- Each team must nominate a captain to act as point of contact between the organisers and the team.
- Board order will be determined at the point of squad declaration.
- A player may not be declared on a board if they are more than 250 ICU rating points higher than a player on any lower board.
- The captain must inform the tournament organisers which players are playing at latest 30 minutes before each round.
- Squads may consist of players from different clubs.

Eligibility

- All players must be over the age of 18 prior to the first round of the tournament.
- Irish-based players must be registered with the Irish Chess Union. For teams fielding players with no prior membership, the entry fee will be waived on a pro-rata basis.
- The tournament organisers reserve the right to refuse entry to any team or player.
- Players wishing to enter the event without a squad may contact Churchtown Chess Club and efforts will be made to find a place for them.

Prizes

- The team finishing in first place will be awarded €300 and will be presented with a perpetual trophy.
- The team finishing in second place will be awarded €200.
- The team finishing in third place will be awarded €100.
- The team with the greatest overperformance based on average rating will be presented with a perpetual trophy.

•	The top scoring player on each board will be presented with a board prize. Tiebreak will be determined by performance rating.