



WESTERN CAPE WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP – 2024

Date: 8 - 11 August 2024

Registration: [REGISTER HERE](#)

Venue: Club Mykonos, Athene Hall

Venue Map: <https://bit.ly/3SCdGBi>

FORMAT AND TIME CONTROL

Section	Rating /Criteria	Format	Time Control	Rating
Elite [Females Only]	Players with FIDE / CHESSA rating 1300+	6 Round Swiss	90+30 SIPM	FIDE & CHESSA
Advanced [Open to All]	Open to All Genders [No Rating Cap]	6 Round Swiss	90+30 SIPM	FIDE & CHESSA
Development Juniors [Friday Only]	U14: Players born during 2011 and 2012 U12: Players born during 2013 and 2014 U10: Players born 2015 or later	5 Round Swiss	55+5 SIPM	FIDE & CHESSA
Intermediate [Saturday Only]	Open to All Genders [No Rating Cap]	5 Round Swiss	55+5 SIPM	FIDE & CHESSA

ENTRY FEES

Elite Section	Advanced Section	Intermediate Section	Juniors Section
R350	R250	R200	R150



REGISTRATION & PAYMENT

1. Registration for tournament must be made online.
2. Tournament registration link:
3. **The closing date for registrations and payment is Sunday, 28 July 2024 at 21h00.** Late entries will be subject to an additional late entry fee of R100 and will be allowed up to 24 hours before the scheduled start time for the first round of the relevant section.
4. **CHESSHUB: [SEE LAST PAGE FOR INSTRUCTIONS](#)**

COMMUNICATION: Players / parents must join the specific WA groups for info regarding the event

- Elite & Advanced Sections: [JOIN HERE](#)
- Intermediate Section: [JOIN HERE](#)
- Junior Section: [JOIN HERE](#)

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY
THURSDAY 8 th August	18h45	Players to be seated for announcements
	Elite & Advanced 19h00	Round 1
FRIDAY 9 th August	08h45	Players to be seated for announcements
	Juniors 09h00	All rounds will be accelerated Rounds 1 – 5 Award Ceremony Immediately after last round
	Elite & Advanced 09h00 14h00	Round 2 Round 3
SATURDAY 10 th August	08h45	Players to be seated for announcements
	Intermediate 09h00	All rounds will be accelerated Rounds 1 – 5 Award Ceremony Immediately after last round
	Elite & Advanced 09h00 14h00	Round 4 Round 5
SUNDAY 11 th August	08h45	Players to be seated for announcements
	Elite & Advanced 09h00	Round 6
	13h30	Award Ceremony



TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

- **Venue Capacity:** 200 players [**LIMITED SPACE**]
- **CLUB MYKONOS is offering:**
 - Limited accommodation at a DISCOUNTED Price to chess players & their families / Co
 - Refreshments at discounted prices to all players
 - Offering **MYSTERY PRIZES** to selected players.

- **RATING OF SECTIONS**

- All sections will be **FIDE & CHESSA** rated.

- **EVENT SECTIONS**

The event will consist of the following sections:

- Elite Section: **ONLY FEMALE** Players with CHESSA/FIDE rating 1300+
- Advanced Section: OPEN TO ALL GENDERS [NO RATING CAP]
- Intermediate Section: One day event [OPEN TO ALL; NO RATING CAP]
- Junior Sections: One day event
 - Under 10 : Players born during 2015 or later
 - Under 12 : Players born during 2014 and 2013
 - Under 14 : Players born during 2012 and 2011

Players that wishes to “play-up” into a higher section must make submission to the LOC.
Junior players may “play-up” into any of the other sections if they meet the minimum rating requirements.
For the Elite, Advanced & Intermediate sections, the highest rating between CHESSA rating (Hybrid Main) and FIDE rating will be used.

- **TIEBREAKS**

The following tiebreak systems, in the order given below, will be used to rank the players (who finish the tournament on the same scores) to determine the final standings.

- Direct encounter
- Buchholz
- Sonneborn-Berger
- Rating average of opponents
- Greater Number of Victories



• **EVENT REGULATIONS**

- The latest FIDE Laws of Chess will apply to this tournament (01 January 2023).
- All electronic equipment (e.g. mobile phones, tablets, smart watches, etc. but excluding those items used exclusively for the running of the Event) must be switched off when brought into the playing hall. Any player who is found to have such a device in his/her possession which is not switched off will immediately be forfeited (loss of game).
- Any player who arrives after the default time has elapsed will forfeit the game unless the Chief Arbiter decides otherwise.

• **Default Time**

- There is no Default time for the first round for all sections of the tournament. Players who are not seated at their board at the scheduled starting time of the first round will be removed from the pairings and their opponents may be manually paired with another available player.
 - Elite & Advanced: 30 minutes
 - Intermediate: 15 minutes
 - Juniors: 15 minutes

• **APPEALS**

- A player wishing to appeal against a ruling made by an arbiter, must do so immediately after the game has ended and before the pairings for the next round has been published. Appeals must be lodged with the tournament director, accompanied by a fee of **R300**[which will be returned if the appeal is successful]

• **PRIZES**

- The awards and prizes are as follows:

Position	Elite	Advanced	Intermediate	Junior
1 st	R10 000	R6 000	R800	Medals only
2 nd	R8 000	R4 000	R700	
3 rd	R6 000	R3 000	R600	
4 th	R2 000	R1 000	n/a	No cash prizes
5 th	R2 000	R1 000	n/a	
Best Female	n/a	R500	R400	
Best Junior (Under 20)	R700	R500	R400	
Club Mykonos Queen	R700	R500	n/a	
Club Mykonos King	n/a	R500	n/a	

- Each individual section winner will be presented with a trophy.
- Prize monies for players on equal scores (tied players) will be split using the HORT system.
- Special prizes will not be split and will be paid to the highest ranked player based on the tiebreakers.



- Prizes will be paid in by Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) within 72 hours after the conclusion of the event.
- No player may win more than one individual prize. A player will receive the prize with the highest value.

• **WITHDRAWAL FROM THE EVENT**

- Players withdrawing from the event will forfeit their entry fees.
- Should a player withdraw during the event [without informing the TD/CA], rating penalties will be applied as per Chess SA Rating Regulations if no valid and acceptable reason(s) are provided by the player.

• **DRESSCODE**

- Players must always be dressed neatly and look presentable. Dress code is formal or smart casual.

• **PHOTOGRAPHS AND VIDEOS**

- Photographs and videos will be taken during the event and during the award ceremony. All players are deemed to allow publication of photographs of them taken at the event by the organisers for publicity purposes unless they inform the organisers otherwise.

LOC CONTACT DETAILS

Tournament Director [TD]	Registration Officer	Chief Arbiter [CA]
Natasha Opperman Cell: 082 953 5617	Paul Wilson Cell: 083 461 8742 [WA ONLY]	Ricardo Minnaar Cell: 081 546 2221

West Coast Chess Association reserves the right to change any aspect of the tournament including but not limited to venue, sections, format, time control, dates, number of players, and prize funds.

Any changes will be communicated to players through the tournament Whatsapp groups and to the email addresses provided by players upon registration.



Procedure to register on South African Chess Hub:

1. Go to <https://chesshub.org.za/>
2. Log into your SA Chess Hub account or register a new profile.
3. Go to the event on the event calendar: <https://chesshub.org.za/events-calendar/> or click on the event link supplied in the brochure.
4. Read the event description and scroll down to Booking details:

Bookings		
Tickets		
Championship Players with FIDE/ CHESSA rating: 1700 & above	R300.00	0 ^
Advanced Players with FIDE/ CHESSA rating: 1300 - 1699	R200.00	0 v
Intermediate Players with CHESSA rating below 1300	R150.00	0 v

5. Select the number of "Tickets" (i.e. number of attendees). Complete the attendee(s) information and Registration information. **You MUST be logged into your SA Chess Hub profile to register for the tournament.**
6. Select payment method (Payfast or EFT) then click on "REGISTER FOR EVENT":

Payment and Confirmation

Coupon Code

Please select your payment preference, Payfast or EFT

I will make EFT Payment v

REGISTER FOR EVENT

If you do not have a coupon from the organiser, leave that field blank.

7. Payment Methods:
 - a. If you select the Payfast payment method you will be taken to the Payfast secure payment page. Complete the payment and you will receive a booking confirmation email a short while after completing payment.
 - b. If you opted to pay by EFT, you will receive an email upon registering with all payment information. Complete EFT payment and email proof of payment to events@chesshub.org.za. Once booking has been approved, within 24 hours, you will receive a booking confirmation email.

Please email events@chesshub.org.za or WhatsApp Paul Wilson on 083 461 8742 for assistance.