



Dear parents and children,

The Junior Committee of the Nottinghamshire Chess Association <http://nottschess.org> is contacting you as you near the end of your time in primary school. We hope that you feel that you have been very well served in your chess-playing by the NPSCA and by your teachers at primary school. You may be lucky, moving to a secondary school which has a chess club. If there is no chess club there, don't panic! Whether or not there is a chess club in your new school, there are many clubs in Nottinghamshire and in adjacent counties which would welcome you as a member. Joining a chess club is one of the best ways of improving! A list of Nottinghamshire clubs follows.

There are also many events run by the NCA which have juniors playing in them, such as the grade-limited county teams (Under 100/120/140/160 and Open). We are hoping to revive the under 130 grade twelve-board Four Counties team which had five events from 2015-2018. Many juniors play in the Nottingham Rapidplay (a Sunday in late January) the Congress (a Saturday and Sunday in March or April) and the County Championships (a Saturday and Sunday in November which for the first time in 2017 included a one-day under 12 as well as an under 15 Rapidplay on the Sunday). Members of our association also support other events for under 18s, including the Junior 4NCL, the National Youth Chess Association and the National Schools Chess Championships.

If you wish to be informed of forthcoming NCA events, you can receive the NCA's junior newsletter; please complete the short form at: <http://eepurl.com/c6AiLX> or contact [juniorcommittee@nottschess.org](mailto:juniorcommittee@nottschess.org) The junior newsletter also publicises forthcoming events in adjacent counties which may be of interest to Nottinghamshire's junior chess players.

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## Clubs within Nottinghamshire suitable for juniors

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Parents and juniors are advised to contact the club (some of the websites carry details) before attending for the first time, so that they can ask any necessary questions, such as about disabled access; a club should then be able to ensure that there is a suitable person expecting your arrival who can make you welcome.

**Ashfield** (Wednesdays) [www.ashfieldchessclub.org.uk](http://www.ashfieldchessclub.org.uk)

Coronation Social Club, Bannerman Road, Kirkby-in-Ashfield, Nottinghamshire, NG17 8DW

**East Midlands Chess Academy** (Fridays)

Bramcote Methodist Church, Chapel St., Bramcote, NG9 3HB

**Gambit** (Tuesdays) [www.gambitchess.org.uk](http://www.gambitchess.org.uk)

Stronger and experienced older juniors wishing to play in the League are welcome.

The Lincolnshire Poacher Pub (upstairs room) 161-163 Mansfield Rd, Nottingham NG1 3FR

**Newark** (Mondays) [www.newarkchessclub.org.uk](http://www.newarkchessclub.org.uk)

The Railway Club, Hatchets Lane, Newark, NG24 2AF

**Nomads** (Mondays) [www.nomadschessclub.org](http://www.nomadschessclub.org)

Organ Grinder Pub (upstairs room) 21 Alfretton Road, Nottingham, NG7 3JE

**Radcliffe and Bingham** (Tuesdays) <https://radcliffeandbinghamchessclub.wordpress.com>

Royal British Legion, Main Road, Radcliffe on Trent NG12 2BB

**West Bridgford** (Mondays) [www.westbridgfordchess.weebly.com](http://www.westbridgfordchess.weebly.com)

The Wolds, Loughborough Road, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7HZ

**West Nottingham** (Mondays) [www.westnottinghamchess.org](http://www.westnottinghamchess.org)

Bramcote Memorial Hall, Church Street, Bramcote, Nottingham NG9 3HD

**Worksop** (Mondays) [www.worksopchess.com](http://www.worksopchess.com)

The Grafton Hotel, 157-161 Gateford Road, Worksop S80 1UQ