

British Open Champions

1926	R. T. Ward	1990	Tom Watson
1928	William Kilgour	1992	Hugh Devlin
1930	Samuel Cohen	1994	Bill Edwards
1932	Samuel Cohen	1996	Jack Francis
1934	Len Claxton	1998	Pat McCarthy
1936	Samuel Levy	2000	William Docherty
1938	Samuel Cohen	2002	Ron King
1948	James Marshall	2004	Colin Young
1950	James Marshall	2006	Mustafa Durdeyev
1952	James Marshall	2008	Rawle Allicock
1954	James Marshall	2010	Shane McCosker
1956	Derek Oldbury	2012	Shane McCosker
1958	Marion Tinsley	2014	Ron King
1960	Alf Huggins	2016	Shane McCosker
1962	Derek Oldbury	2018	???????????????
1964	John McGill		
1966	James Marshall		
1968	John McGill		
1970	Ivor Edwards		
1972	Graham Davies		
1974	John McGill		
1976	Alf Huggins		
1978	John McGill		
1980	Tom Watson		
1982	Tom Watson		
1984	Asa Long		
1986	Hugh Devlin		
1988	Derek Oldbury		

The Scottish Draughts Association

along with its sponsors are proud to host the

2018 British Open Draughts Championships April 16th-20th

in the

Spectrum Centre, Inverness



Welcome to Inverness
Fàilte gu Inbhir Nis

On behalf of the Scottish Draughts Association, I would like to extend a warm welcome to all players and friends to the 2018 British Open Draughts Championships here in Inverness.

Air às leth na h-Alba Dreathan Association, bu mhath leam a leudachadh fàilte bhlàth a h-uile cluicheadairean agus caraidean gus an 2018 Fhosgailte Bhreatainn Dreathan Championships an seo ann an Inbhir Nis.

We acknowledge the help and co-operation we have received from the Spectrum Centre management and staff ensuring the smooth running of the competitions. Tha sinn ag aideachadh a 'cuideachadh agus a' co-obrachadh a fhuair sinn bho Ionad an Spectrum-stiùiridh agus luchd-obrach a 'dèanamh cinnteach rèidh ruith na co-fharpaisean.

I hope you all enjoy your stay in this lovely and vibrant city.

Mi an dòchas gun còrd e ruibh uile thu a 'fuireach ann an seo brèagha agus beothail bhaile.

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The Scottish Draughts Association has since 1892, worked tirelessly to promote the game of Draughts, not only in Scotland but throughout the world.

Organising and running a prestigious national open championship takes many hours and substantial amounts of money and this can only be achieved with the continued help and support from members, players and the outside community.

The Scottish Draughts Association has a close band of loyal supporters whose generosity makes the committee's task of fundraising easier and we wish to acknowledge them here.

Thank you to all the following for their donations and support throughout the year:

The Aberdeen Draughts Club, Spectrum Centre Management and Staff, John McGill, Donald Oliphant, Lamont Inkster, Colin Young, Graham Young, The Competitors.

If we have omitted anyone then we apologise in advance.

Donald Oliphant
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Rules

Swiss System

The purpose of the Swiss system is to determine that every player shall ultimately be placed logically and easily in ranking order of merit. After the first round the pairings will be determined by the number of aggregate points scored by each player. The Chess Arbiter programme used by the referee will determine each player's opponent in all rounds.

1. Time Limit – 30 moves per hour, thereafter 15 moves per half hour.
2. Points Awarded – 2 per win, 1 for a draw, 0 for a loss, 4 for a bye.
3. Players can only meet each other once.
4. No adjudication of games.
5. 156 openings will be included in the ballot. The player drawing the Black side will draw the opening. Both players to record the moves made.
6. If there is an uneven number of players, the last drawn will get a bye – 4 points. This will be considered to be 2 wins; only 1 bye can be given per player.
7. Tie breaking will be done by honour points. If honour points are equal, results when players met, then if still equal, least losses counts next. All rounds to be counted by honour points.
8. Any player arriving late will have the clock started against them unless prior agreement has been made between players and the referee.
9. The committee will have the power to make whatever arrangements are considered necessary to facilitate the running of the tournament and any decision they reach will be final.
10. All mobile phones to be switched off when rounds are being played. If a player's phone rings whilst playing they will forfeit the game.

Contacts and Useful Information

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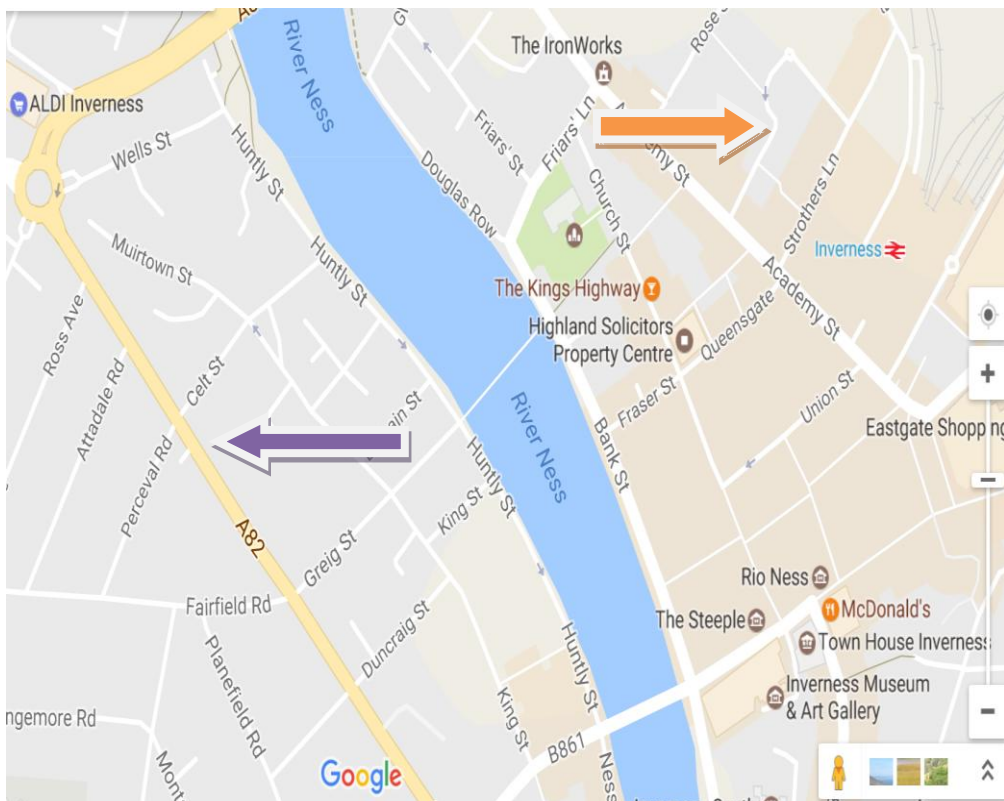
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The Spectrum Centre, 1B Margaret Street, Inverness, IV1 1LS is highlighted here in orange whilst the purple arrow highlights Kenneth Street which is full of Bed and Breakfast establishments. The area surrounding Kenneth Street has plenty of hotels and guest houses to suit all budgets and Kenneth Street is only a 15 minute walk into the city centre.

The Spectrum Centre is located beside the bus station and is a short walk from the train station.

Inverness is located about 10 miles west of Dalcross airport which is served by buses and taxi which will take you straight into Inverness.

Inverness is a busy lively city with a great atmosphere and most nights live music can be found in the city centre bars, and there are many restaurants to suit every taste.

Programme

Monday, 16 th April	09.30a.m.	Registration and Opening Ceremony
	10.00a.m.	Draw for First Session
	2.30p.m.	Round Two
Tuesday, 17 th April	10.00a.m.	Round Three
	2.30p.m.	Round Four
Wednesday, 18 th April	10.00a.m.	Round Five
	2.30p.m.	Round Six
Thursday, 19 th April	10.00a.m.	Round Seven
	2.30p.m.	Round Eight
Friday, 20 th April	10.00a.m.	Round Nine
	2.30p.m.	Round Ten
	17.00p.m.	Prize Giving Ceremony

