



### #ESNACC2024

**GM Igor Efimov and WGM Elvira Berend win European Small Nations Individual Chess Championships 2024**

### FIDE Torch Relay in Romania

**The ceremonial lighting of the FIDE 100 Torch Relay in Bucharest, Romania**



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## In brief..

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**European Small Nations Individual Chess Championships 2024** were played from 22-30 June in Andorra la Vella. GM Igor Efimov clinched the title in the Open championship and WGM Elvira Berend was victorious in the Women's tournament. The events were supported by European Chess Union.

The official invitation for the **European Individual Chess Championship 2024** was published on the ECU Website. The event will take place from 7-20 November in Petrovac, Montenegro.

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## European Youth Team Chess Champions 2024 crowned in Rhodes, Greece

The European Youth Team Chess Championship 2024 took place from 20-28 June in Rhodes, Greece.

With the participation of 58 teams from 16 European federations, the event broke the participation record. The event was co-organised by the Chess Club of Rhodes "Ippotis" and the Region of South Aegean.



Israel triumphed in the U18 section scoring 12 match points. Armenia claimed silver with the score of 11 match points, while Poland clinched bronze scoring 10 match points.

Poland emerged as the Winner of the GU18 category scoring 12 match points. They were one match point ahead of Israel Blue who won silver with 11 match points, and Germany I claimed bronze with 10 match points.

Poland was also victorious in the U12 section, scoring perfect 14 match points! Turkey won silver with 12 match points and Romania won bronze scoring 9 match points.

Turkey clinched gold in the GU12 section thanks to better tiebreak criteria than Poland team as they had the same score of 11 match points. Poland finished second, and Germany came third scoring 10 match points.

The best teams (combined results of girls and open teams) in the U12 section were Poland with 25 match points, Turkey with 23 match points, and Romania with 18 match points and better tiebreaks than Germany who had the same score.

The best teams (combined results of girls and open teams) in the U18 age category were Israel with 23 match points, Poland with 22 match points and Romania with 18 match points.

The Closing ceremony of the event took place in the playing venue with the attendance of ECU Secretary General Theodoros Tsozbatzoglou, ECU Vice President Eva Repkova, member of FIDE Advisory Board and the President of the Turkish Chess Federation Gulkiz Tulay, and other distinguished guests.

Final report can be found on the ECU Website.

*Photos by Jim Laga  
Tournament recap video by Jim Laga  
can be found on the ECU YouTube  
Channel.*

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### European Youth Team Chess Championship

The event took place from 20-28 June in Rhodes, Greece and was played in two age categories: U12 and U18, open and girls sections separately, with 7 rounds, swiss system, in each championship.

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# FIDE Torch Relay #chessolympiad in Bucharest, Romania



FIDE 100 Torch Relay arrived on 4th of July in Bucharest, Romania.

The ceremonial lighting of the Torch took place with the attendance of the ECU President Mr. Zurab Azmaiparashvili, ECU Deputy President and Deputy Chair of the FIDE Management Board Ms. Dana Reizniece-Ozola, ECU Treasurer Mr. Ion-Serban Dobronauteanu, President of the Romanian Chess Federation Mr. Vlad Ardeleanu and FIDE representatives.

The ceremony included children from local chess clubs, coaches, and players, symbolizing the unifying spirit of the FIDE100 chess flame.

On the FIDE100 gala dinner, the European Chess Union was awarded for contribution in Romanian and global chess development



Photos by Romanian Chess Federation

# Superbet Chess Classic Romania 2024

The second leg of the Grand Chess Tour 2024, the Superbet Chess Classic Romania, took place from 26 June to 5 July in Bucharest.

Ten player round-robin featured world's best grandmasters with Fabiano Caruana, Ian Nepomniachtchi, Alireza Firouzja, Nodirbek Abdusattorov, Wesley So, Maxime Vachier-Lagrave, Praggnanandhaa R, Anish Giri, Gukesh D and Bogdan-Daniel Deac in the field.

Fabiano Caruana had a sole lead in the tournament throughout the event, and headed into the last round with half a point advantage over tree runner ups: Gukesh D, Alireza Firouzja and Praggnanandhaa. While four games of the last round finished in a draw, Fabiano Caruana suffered a loss to Anish Giri, and four players finished the event tying for the top with the score of 5 points each.

Fabiano Caruana, Gukesh D, Alireza Firouzja and Praggnanandhaa played a round-robin rapid play offs to determine the Winner of the event.

After shocking loss in the final round to Giri, Fabiano Caruana won all three play off games and emerged as the Winner of the tournament. He won the money prize of \$68,750 and valuable grand chess tour points which will be calculated for the final GCT rankings.



Photos by Grand Chess Tour/Lennart Ootes

The last round of the event was opened by ECU President Mr. Zurab Azmaiparashvili who made the first ceremonial move in the game between Wesley So and Gukesh D.

Detailed information about the event and final rankings can be found on the official website:  
<https://grandchesstour.org/>

The next Grand Chess Tour event will be SuperUnited Rapid & Blitz Croatia which will be held from 9-14 July in Zagreb.



ECU President Mr. Zurab Azmaiparashvili opened the final round and made the first ceremonial move in the game between Wesley So and Gukesh.

## Grand Chess Tour

Grand Chess Tour is a series of five events which this year features a prize fund of \$1,500,000. The series consists of two classical and three rapid and blitz events.

Detailed information and tournaments schedule is available on the official website of the tour.

# European Small Nations Chess Championship 2024

The 5th European Small Nations Individual Chess Championship and the 2nd European Small Nations Women's Chess Championship took place from 22-30 June in Andorra la Vella.

The events were played as 10-player round-robin tournaments with the players representing the following federations: Andorra, Liechtenstein, Cyprus, Luxembourg, Faroe Islands, Malta, Guernsey, Monaco, Jersey, and San Marino.

GM Igor Efimov (MNC, 2312) emerged as the sole winner of the Open Championship scoring 8/9 points. Igor Efimov finished the event without a single loss, ahead of IM Fred Berend (LUX, 2235) who won silver with the score of 7 points. FM Serni Ribera Veganzones (AND, 2341) won bronze medal scoring 6.5 points.

After intense last round in the Women's event, WGM Elvira Berend (LUX, 2230) became the sole Winner of the event, scoring 7.5 points. Elvira Berend and WIM Marija Zvereva (MNC, 2040) headed into the last round tying for the top, and Elvira Berend won her last-round game against WFM Filipina Thornton (MLT, 1787), while Marija Zvereva lost against WFM Andrea Henderson De La Fuente (AND, 1966). Winning the final game, Andrea Henderson De La Fuente finished the event with 7 points and claimed silver, and Marija Zvereva came third with the score of 6.5 points.



*GM Igor Efimov is European Small Nations Chess Champion 2024*

The Closing ceremony of the event took place yesterday evening with the attendance of the ECU Treasurer Mr. Ion-Serban Dobronauteanu and the President of the Andorra Chess Federation Mr. Francesc Rechi. The ECU Treasurer Mr. Dobronauteanu also opened the final round with the first ceremonial move.

The event was supported by the European Chess Union, and detailed information and links to results and official website can be found through the ECU Website.



*WGM Elvira Berend is European Small Nations Women's Chess Champion 2024*

## #ESNACC2024

### European Small Nations Chess Championship

European Small Nations Individual Open and Women's Chess Championships 2024 simultaneously took place in Andorra la Vella with participation of players representing the following federations: Andorra, Liechtenstein, Cyprus, Luxembourg, Faroe Islands, Malta, Guernsey, Monaco, Jersey, and San Marino.

# European Individual Chess Championship 2024 - Invitation

European Chess Union and Montenegro Chess Federation have the honor to invite all National Chess Federations, members of the ECU, and eligible players to participate in the European Individual Chess Championship 2024. The event will be held from 7-20 November in Petrovac, Montenegro.



*The European Individual Chess Championship will be played in the official hotel of the event \*\*\*\*Hotel Palas.*

European Individual Chess Championship 2024 is open for all players from National Chess Federations members of the European Chess Union (ECU) without rating or title limitations. There is no limit of number of participants per federation, but applications can only be sent by national chess federations. The registration deadline is 16th of September 2024.

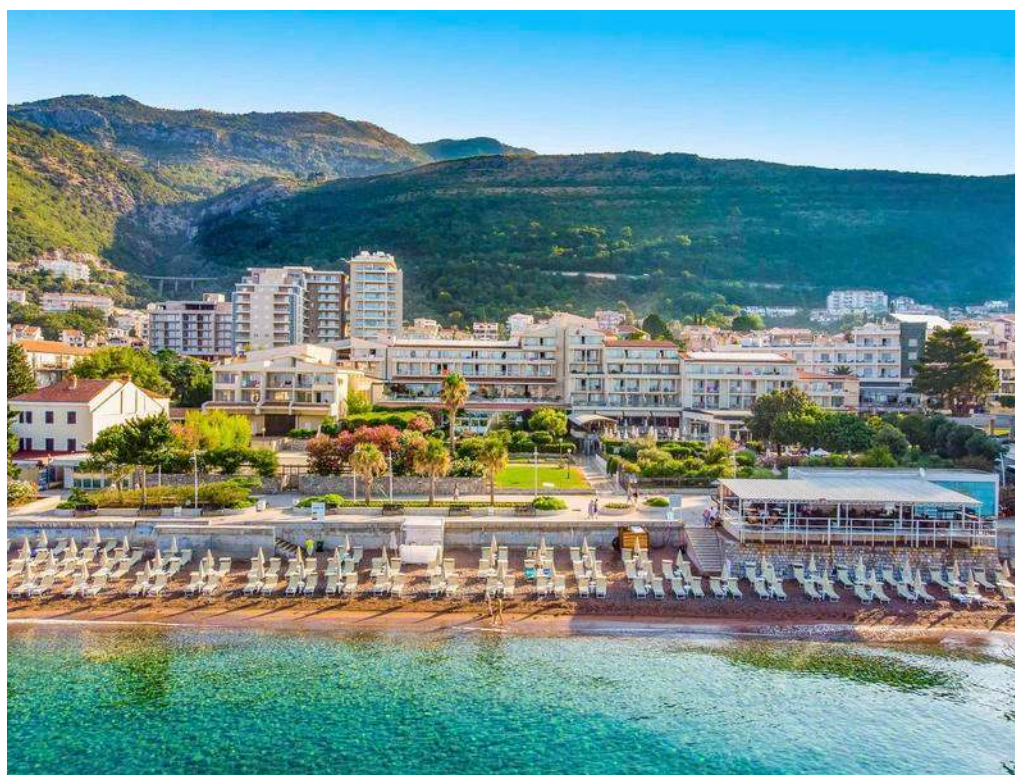
The championship will be played in 11 rounds, swiss system, with time control of 90 minutes for 40 moves plus 30 minutes for the rest of the game with an increment of 30 seconds per move, starting from move one.

The total prize fund of the event is 100.000 euros, with 20.000 EUR reserved for the winner.

The European Individual Chess Championship 2024 is a qualifying event for the FIDE World Cup 2025. According to the FIDE regulations for World Cup and the ECU Board decision, 20 players\* will qualify. (\*Under the current FIDE World Cup regulations, FIDE is the only body responsible for the qualification spots)

The Official hotel and the playing venue of the event is \*\*\*\*Hotel Palas, Petrovac, Montenegro.

Detailed information and the official invitation can be found on the ECU Website.



# School Chess Fest in Czech Republic

On 24—26 June 2024, the Thomapex National school teams chess championship took place in the Zlín Congress Center. The city of Tomáš Baťa has been a very popular destination for young chess players. It hosted the championship six times in last decade.

All the teams had to qualify in previous school and two regional rounds, which was not an easy mission. Teams consisted of 4 members with two extra players. The total number of 94 teams in three categories offered an exciting chess spectacle. Well-known names of international masters also appeared among the players, for example IM Václav Finěk and IM Richard Stalmach, very talented young Czech players, also represented their schools.

More than 500 participants, both players and teachers, could enjoy the rich accompanying program for all age categories. From a wide range of options, children could, for example, visit the skyscraper with the famous office of Tomas Bata or the local ZOO Zlín. Thirty young players challenged GM Martin Petr and FM Jakub Kůsa in a simul.

### Results Category 1—5. grade:

1. PORG team- Grammar school, elementary school&kindergarten Prague
2. Elementary School Kamenka Čelákovice
3. Elementary School Datyňská Vratimov

### Results Category 6—9. grade:

1. Grammar school and SOŠPg Liberec
2. Elementary School St. Stephen Prague
3. Grammar School Nymburk



Photos by Czech Chess Federation

### Results Category High Schools

1. P. Bezruč Grammar School Frýdek-Místek A
2. Teplice High School
3. P. Bezruč Grammar School Frýdek-Místek B



This year, the organizers awarded a total of 5 teams in each category. A big thank you goes to all the sponsors of the event. In addition to a number of material prizes, the winners of the High Schools category received the offer of one year scholarship to study at Tomas Bata University (UTB Zlín), each player a total of 50.000CZK.



94 teams and more than 500 participants, both players and teachers, participated in the event.

### Text prepared by Czech Chess Federation

Czech Chess Federation, the main organizer, thanks all the teachers and coaches who dedicate their time and effort to teach children chess. Their role is priceless. Project Chess in School in the Czech Republic grows thanks to them.

Photo gallery of the event can be found on the following link: <https://eu.zonerama.com/sscr/Album/11662206#check-duplicates>



*The ECU Chess Research Database is a work in progress to obtain feedback from chess researchers, educators and enthusiasts.*

## What does research say about chess?

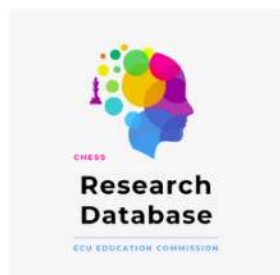
As part of the new Academic Training Course, the ECU Education Commission is happy to share its new ECU Chess Research Database with a wider public to gain valuable insights covering themes such as education, chess playing and chess training, psychology, cognitive science, computer science and artificial intelligence. The project support by the FIDE development fund.



# Chess in Education

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Enter your search term to find articles



To keep the database up-to-date, we plan to periodically review and incorporate newly published chess research. We also welcome input and contributions from the chess research community to ensure that the dataset remains comprehensive and current. If someone discovers that a relevant publication is missing from the database, they can submit the information to ECU EDU ( [info.edu@europechess.org](mailto:info.edu@europechess.org) ), who will then review the submission and update the database accordingly. This collaborative approach will help ensure that the database remains up-to-date, benefiting the entire chess community.

Year	Title	Journal
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*The database provides 570 important historical articles published in prestigious journals until the end of 2022.*

## What is your field of interest?

The research papers were collected by Seyhan Nisel, curated by John Foley and made easily searchable by Alexis Harakis. Users can filter and search the database based on their research questions. Using keywords allows them to identify relevant publications and uncover trends, patterns and relationships within the field of their interest.

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UNIT 1

## Lesson structure



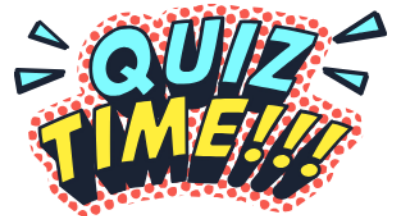
What will you learn today?



Play Time



What have you learned today?



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*The first cycle of the Chess in Primary Education Academic Training Course started in June 2024*

## Academic Training Course for Teachers and Chess Tutors

Teachers and tutors from the course have finished Unit 1 and learned the rules and basic concepts of chess through the course material. As a lot of them have been teaching chess for several years already, the structure of the Unit also aimed to give students useful ideas to be used in the classroom for teaching children.

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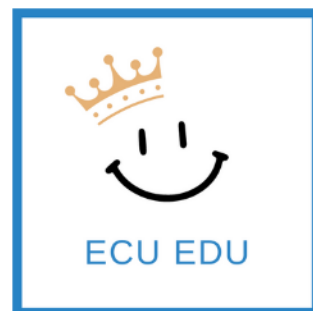


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The second cycle of the  
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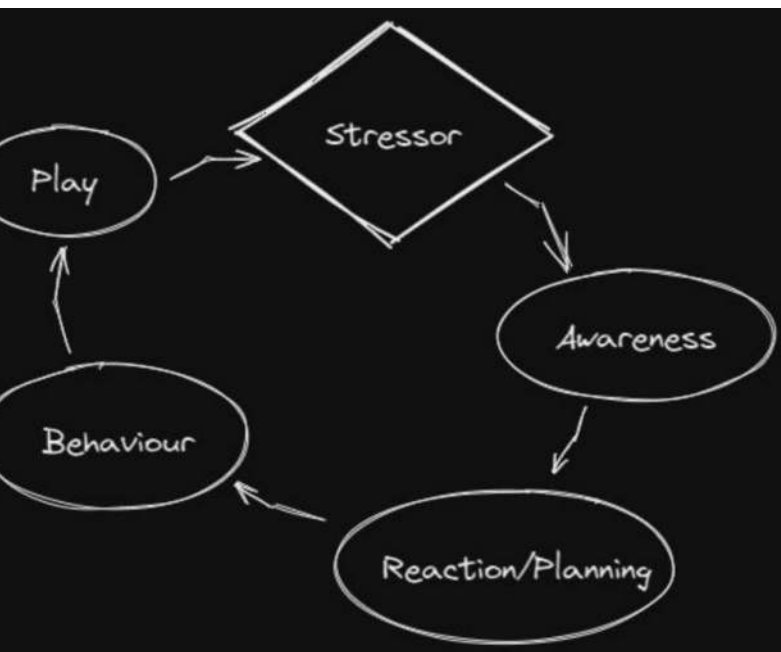


*Teacher  
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rules and  
basic  
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of chess  
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didactics  
of how to  
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chess.*

## Life Long Learning

### Course Objectives:

The course aims to give educators a comprehensive learning experience of how to teach chess for educational purposes based on research and best practices. They will be introduced to chess history, research, and methodology to further develop their classroom instructions to provide a holistic learning experience to children.



## Low performance behaviours: examples

- Still think about missed opportunities
- Gives up easily, no swindling
- Think in black and white/catastrophically
- Sleep late, eat junk, no exercise, bullet at 4am



Write down your low performance behaviour

*Mindset: you can improve resilience.*

*Low performance behaviours*

## Lecture: Be a Resilient Tournament Player with Benjamin Porthault

The last ECU WOM event before summer was dedicated to another interesting topic - **The resilience**. **Benjamin Porthault**, who is originally coming from France, but has been living in England for last several years, has been **working as a performance coach**, accompanying players at the Chess Olympiad, the FIDE World Cup and other top chess tournaments.

In his online lecture dedicated to female players, Benjamin focused on a topic of mental strength in chess in form of tournament resilience. The interactive hour was a good mixture of theory and practical examples, followed by Q&A session.

Benjamin pointed out an importance of doing a mental preparation already at home to bring a high-performance behaviour on the board. Starting with listing of our stressors, focusing on a positive and growth mindset, practicing mindfulness meditation, power of visualization, recognizing our low but also high performance behaviors, etc. is definitely a hard work. Mental work is a hard work that deserves definitely more awareness in chess. As Benjamin pointed out: *"Chess isn't easy either. One will need to work hard for that. Nothing is free. And these skills will last a lifetime and can help ones much beyond chess."*



*Photo: Benjamin Porthault  
Author of Mindcreaser blog and a meditation course for chess competitors: 'Mindfulness For The Tournament Player'*

# 157th Internet-based FIDE Arbiters' Seminar (European Chess Union)

With the support of the ECU Commission for Women's Chess and under the auspices of FIDE, the **157th Internet-based FIDE Arbiters' seminar** was organised over the two weekends during **1st to 9th of June, 2024**.

FIDE Competition Rules and standards of chess equipment, Use of electronic clocks, Arbiters Titles and Appointments, and a Question & Answers session.

Participation (except the exam fee) was free for all participants. The following succeeded in the exam and will be awarded a norm for the title of FIDE Arbiter, after the approval of the next FIDE Council:

- Jacimovic, Sara (BIH)
- Kiss, Rebeka Anna (HUN)
- Makrigianni, Eleni Iokasti (GRE)
- Haralabidou, Maria (GRE)
- Blokhin, Sofia (EST)
- Wilson, Jennifer (SCO)
- Tuzi, Bruna (ALB)
- Kerciku, Suzana (ALB)

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**Eighteen female arbiters from thirteen national chess federations** (ALB, BIH, CRO, GEO, GRE, EST, HUN, IND, ROU, SCO, SRI, TUR, and UGA) participated in the seminar, and all of them took part in the final test held after the lectures.

This seminar was conducted in English with **IA Shohreh Bayat** from England serving as the **FIDE Lecturer**, and **IA Alon Shulman** from Israel as the **Assistant Lecturer**.

The following topics were covered: Laws of Chess, Systems of Tournaments, Swiss system and pairing rules, Rating Regulations, Title Regulations, ECU Arbiters Council Call of Interest, Evaluation system, Tie-Break Regulations, Fair Play Regulations,

Report prepared by IA Shohreh Bayat

Congratulations to all female arbiters who successfully passed their test.



Photo: IA Shohreh Baya, FIDE Lecturer

Arbiters who participated at the FIDE Arbiters' Seminar



## "Females and Males Working Behind The Scene" with Annette Waaijenberg from Switzerland

In our Spotlight articles, we introduce you the **women but also men working behind the scene, doing a fantastic work to support women in chess.** They play a key role as players, arbiters, coaches, volunteers,....

### **Annette Waaijenberg, Switzerland - Founder of Club ChessMates and Board Member of the Chess Sports Association**

I am the mother of two chess - enthusiastic girls, and I live in Oberägeri, a small village in central Switzerland. In 2017, I founded the Club ChessMates Zugerland, where I am the president and main coach. I teach around 80 children and young people on-site every week and conduct private training sessions online with adults and ambitious juniors. I have also been a mentor for chess courses for highly gifted children at public schools, and for a few months now, I have been a course leader for various senior groups. Together with IM Harald Schneider-Zinner and Michael S. Langer, I am also on the board of the Chess Sports Association based in Vienna.

### **What is the percentage of female chess players in Switzerland, and what's the percentage of female chess players in your club?**

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### **You recently organized the Oberägeri Girls Chess tournament, in which over 55 girls participated. This is one of the biggest, if not the biggest, girls' chess tournaments organized in Switzerland. Why do you think the tournament had so many participants and was so successful?**

Yes, it was a wonderful tournament with 56 participants. I was informed that there was once a huge tournament with around 80 players in the 90s, but that was a big exception. I organized this tournament for the first time in 2018, back then with 23 girls. The special thing about this tournament is the many categories. The categories played are from U6 to U16, the winners all receive



Photo: Annette Waaijenberg

a very nice trophy, and all participants receive a non-cash prize and medal. It's a one-day tournament, so there's not a lot of stress, with plenty of time to play together (table tennis, badminton, etc.), chat, and make friends. When the round starts, I ring a bell to bring all the girls together so that no one is late for their game. The parents sit comfortably inside or outside, drink coffee or tea, eat a Swiss bratwurst at lunchtime, or enjoy a delicious ice cream. The raffle of a few non-cash prizes for the parents is a tradition. After all, they are the ones who take the time to drive the children. Our participants come from all parts of the country and even our neighbouring country Liechtenstein.

### **What other events and initiatives have you planned for this year?**

On August 17th, I am planning the 3rd edition of the "Sunset Blitz" tournament

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## "Females and Males Working Behind The Scene" with Annette Waaijberg from Switzerland



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here in Oberägeri. I started this tournament three years ago in cooperation with the Chess Sport Association. The tournament starts at 5 p.m. directly on Lake Aegeri. After five rounds, we have dinner together and continue playing until the sun slowly sets. It's a special event, also always with a women's prize. There are many good arguments for and against female prizes. Personally, I always like to award a small prize like a voucher for the cinema, a nice flower, etc., because it takes courage to face the challenge among so many men. Nevertheless, girls should compete against boys, because boys often play a different kind of chess, usually more aggressive, and many girls can learn from this. It is also a good practice for the future. Unfortunately, girls also experience unpleasant moments at the board or after the game: mean remarks, criticism, derogatory comments, etc. I explain to every girl who is playing a big tournament for the first time what could happen and how they can and should react. I take away the children's, and often also their parents', fear of negative experiences.

### **Do you have any tips on how to get more females involved in chess?**

In my experience, young girls are "ready" for chess much earlier, as they often have less trouble losing. But they also need a particularly calm environment, and this is often not the given. I am against gender separation during training, but as a club, you should make sure that there is peace and order during training. The lessons should be varied but also fun. In my lessons, we train for around 40 minutes with a booklet, projector, playing out positions, etc. It only gets louder in the room for the last 15-20 minutes, because then

the children are allowed to play freely against each other, and the girls also have a lot of fun here. How to get women even more involved in chess? From September, we at the CSA are trying to organize another (German speaking) online course for women. Women from GER, AT, and CH will participate over several weeks in 90-minute training session. There is always a short break, but the women often stay online. They have a cup of coffee or tea and chat in front of the screen and then continue training. This has been very popular so far. And yes, it is certainly a great advantage to have a female trainer in the club. Many mothers like to entrust their little daughters to me. But I also know other very competent male chess coaches who have a very respectful and calm approach towards girls. No matter who leads the training, it should be someone who manages to lead an orderly training, but who can also make a joke from time to time, someone who is interested in girls' and boys' topics, and who treats, challenges, and encourages all children equally, as if they were their own. That's how I've tried it so far, and it seems to work...

Text by:  
IA Alexander Sokolski,  
councilor of the ECU  
Arbiters Council



## The Importance of Training Chess Arbiters for the Development of Chess

Chess is a sport that requires not only skill and strategy but also precise rules and fair play. Qualified arbiters are essential for maintaining high standards in tournaments. Their training and improvement are crucial for the development of chess as a whole. Let's look at why training arbiters is so important and how it influences the growth of chess at different levels.

Professional arbiters play a key role in ensuring fair play. With their knowledge and experience, they can effectively enforce the rules, guaranteeing that all games are played in the spirit of fair competition. Their ability to resolve conflicts is invaluable in reducing stress and tension among players, helping tournaments run smoothly. Additionally, arbiters who can adapt their approach to players of different ages and skill levels build positive relationships within the chess community. All these factors together increase trust in the entire discipline, attracting new players and spectators.

In smaller towns, arbiters often also act as organisers of tournaments, meetings, and chess events. With the right training and professionalism, they become key figures in local communities, promoting chess and engaging residents. Their activities help integrate the community, popularise chess as a form of intellectual activity, and support the development of young talents. In this way, arbiters contribute to the sustainable growth of the discipline at the local level, creating a strong foundation for future success.

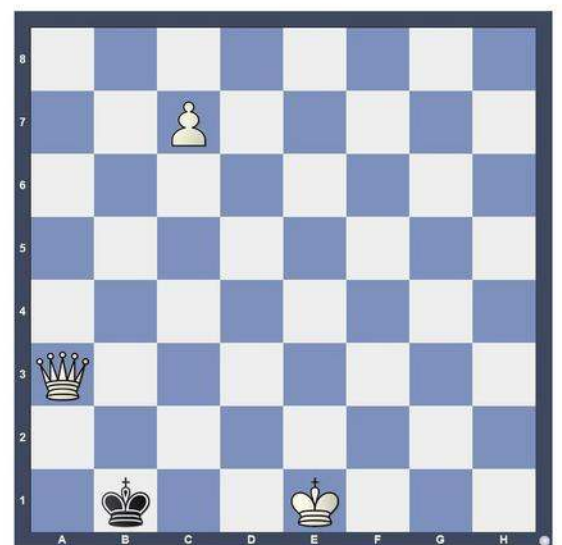
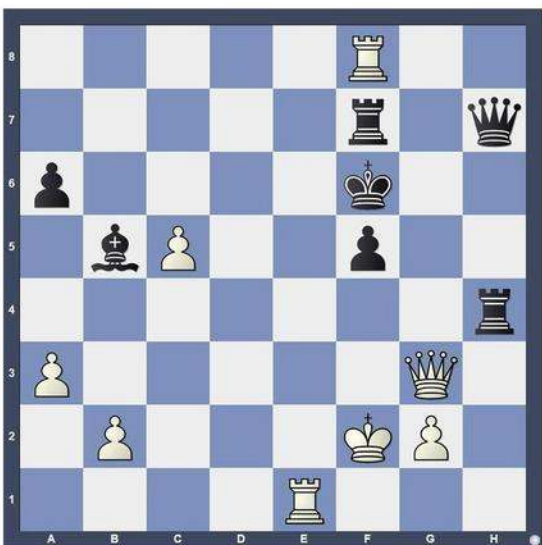
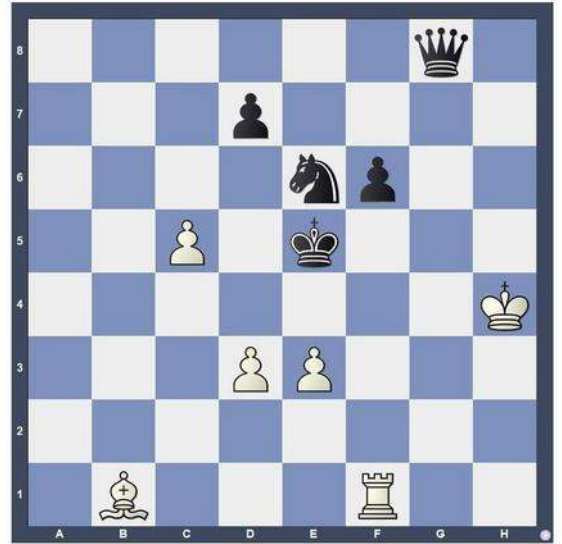
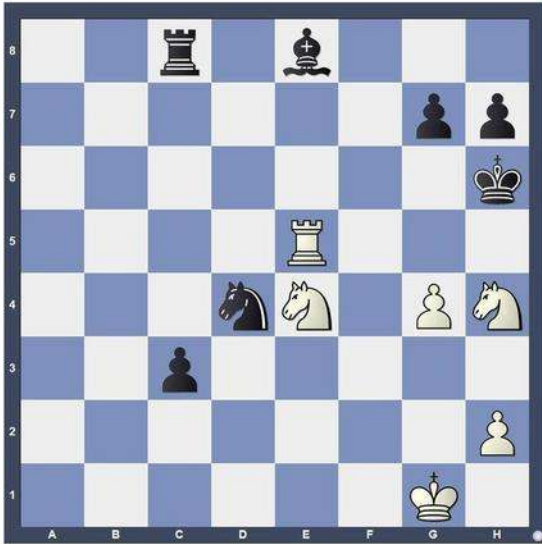
The training and continuous improvement of arbiters must be conducted at a high level and targeted at appropriate groups - local, national, and international arbiters. Only then is it possible to ensure the highest standards of refereeing, which translates into the quality and prestige of tournaments and trust in the entire discipline. The conclusions are clear - professional training of arbiters is the foundation upon which the development of chess is based. Ensuring fair play, building trust, supporting local communities, and fostering international cooperation are key elements that together create a strong and dynamic discipline, which is chess.

### ECU Arbiters Council

ECU Arbiters Council publishes monthly articles in the ECU E-Magazine about their activities and actual arbiters topics.

Detailed information can be found on the ECU Arbiters Council website:  
<https://arbiters.europechess.org>

Regular training and exchanges of experience on the international stage allow arbiters to keep their knowledge and skills up to date. Unified standards and regulations make it easier to organise international tournaments, which in turn fosters connections between chess players from different countries. This leads to the development of championship and open tournaments, increasing their prestige and attractiveness. As a result, chess as a sport gains in popularity and global reach.



# Svetozar Gligoric said about chess

>For me it was not important who the opponent was sitting across from me, it was important I play correct and active chess.

>Chess is a struggle with oneself. I never play against the opponent, I play against his pieces.

>The art of treating the opening stage of the game correctly and without error is basically the art of using time efficiently.

*In June 2024 edition of the ECU Magazine, we present four positions where White mates in two moves!*

## Solutions from May Magazine

#Puzzle 1:  
1.Ng5+ Kh8 2.Rh7#

#Puzzle 2:  
1.Ng6+ Kf7 2.Nxh8#

#Puzzle 3:  
1.Re8+ Kd7 2.Bb5#

#Puzzle 4:  
1.Rxh7+! Kxh7 2.Qh5#



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