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# 2024 Victorian Country Chess Championship

*Promoted by the Victorian Rural Chess League*

*Hosted by Bendigo Chess Club*

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<b>Dates</b>	Saturday 19 and Sunday 20 October 2024			
<b>Venue</b>	The Old Church on the Hill, Community Centre, 36 Russell Street, Quarry Hill, Bendigo.			
<b>Round Times</b>	Saturday 19	Registration 9.15 am	Sunday 20	Round 4 9.30 am
		Round 1 9.30 am		Round 5 1.00 pm
		Round 2 1.00 pm		Meeting 3.45 pm
		Round 3 4.00 pm		Round 6 4.00 pm
	A forfeit will be awarded if a player is 30 minutes late for a game			
<b>Entry Fees</b>	Adult \$100, Concession \$80. Discount of \$10 if paid by October 12. Concession applies to pensioners, unemployed and full-time students. Payments can be made by EFT to the bank account of Ballarat Chess Club, BSB 182 512 number 963 263 561. Alternatively use the following TryBooking link <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/CUGJP">https://www.trybooking.com/CUGJP</a> where you can use a credit card, but subject to a small fee.			
<b>Eligibility</b>	The Victorian Country Chess Championship is open to all Victorian players whose main place of residence is outside a 50 km radius from the Melbourne GPO.			
<b>Entries &amp; Inquiries</b>	Email entries to <a href="mailto:kevinp@ppt.com.au">kevinp@ppt.com.au</a> or <a href="mailto:n.barrow@latrobe.edu.au">n.barrow@latrobe.edu.au</a> or send by post to VRCL, PO Box 500 Ballarat Vic 3353. Phone Kevin Perrin on 0418 533 517, Nigel Barrow on 0421 674 869 or Jack Smith on 0406 199 457 for inquiries.			
<b>Rate of Play</b>	All moves in 60 minutes per player plus an increment of 30 seconds per move from move 1. All moves of each game should be recorded.			
<b>Half Point Bye</b>	A player may request a single Half Point Bye in rounds 1 to 4. This must be done in writing, email or text message prior to the tournament or before the start of the previous round.			
<b>Prizes</b>	All entry fees will be distributed in prizes after deduction of expenses in conducting the event. Prizes will be awarded to the first three players in the Championship and Reserve sections. If there is a tie for a title, then joint champions will be declared and prize money divided equally. All players will compete in a single tournament. The prize pool will be allocated 75% to the Championship and 25% to the Reserve.			
<b>Reserve Champion</b>	The title of Reserve Champion will be awarded to the leading player(s) in the bottom half of the field based on rating or seeding by the Arbiter.			
<b>Accommodation</b>	We suggest that you should book your accommodation in Bendigo well before the weekend. If assistance is needed then search online as there are a wide range of options available.			
<b>Covid-19 matters</b>	There are currently no mandatory government regulations relating to Covid-19. We do ask that if anybody has tested positive to Covid-19 in the 3 days prior to the event that they do not attend, and a refund will be arranged.			
<b>General</b>	All games will be submitted for ACF rating through Chess Victoria. The Arbiter for the event will be Nigel Barrow. A players committee will be elected prior to the start of the tournament to review any appeal to a decision made by the Arbiter. We acknowledge the support of the <b>Bendigo Chess Club</b> and thank them for hosting the championships.			

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### *Entry Form*

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**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Date of birth** \_\_\_\_\_

**Rating** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

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