

## DOWNEND & FISHPONDS

### SUMMER FESTIVAL OF CHESS

#### at THE CROSS HANDS

At the end of the 2018 – 2019 season Downend & Fishponds are changing their venue to The Cross Hands in Fishponds, and their club night to Wednesday.

To celebrate this move they are holding a Festival of Chess throughout the Summer at The Cross Hands.

The fun begins on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May with a 'Buzzerless' Tournament. This is an event similar to Downend's well known 'Christmas Buzzer' but using 10 second increments on a clock rather than a 10 second buzzer.

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> May will be the first round of four of the Downend regular event The Summer Quickplay. This will be conducted under the usual rules **and will be the only event which will charge an entry fee.** This is used to produce the three figure prize fund.

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June sees the first round of three of the Downend & Fishponds Team Blitz Tournament. This is a revival of the Bristol League's Team Lightning competition but with teams of four rather than six and each player playing eight games rather than just six. All matches will be played at The Cross Hands.

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June introduces an event new to Downend Chess Club, the Chess960 (Fischerandom) event. This form of chess has been given a sense of order by FIDE rules but still retains the departure from theory that Bobby Fischer envisaged.

Downend & Fishponds Chess Club will be open on every Wednesday evening throughout the Summer and everyone is invited to come along and enjoy themselves.

## **SCHEDULE OF FESTIVAL EVENTS**

(Summer 2019)

15 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>Buzzerless Tournament</b>
29 <sup>th</sup> May	Quickplay Round 1
5 <sup>th</sup> June	Team Blitz Round 1
19 <sup>th</sup> June	Quickplay Round 2
26 <sup>th</sup> June	Chess960
3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Team Blitz Round 2
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Quickplay Round 3
7 <sup>th</sup> August	Team Blitz Round 3
14 <sup>th</sup> August	Quickplay Round 4
28 <sup>th</sup> August	<b>Buzzerless Tournament</b>