

# HERMANUS *RAPID*

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2024

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**Hermanus Chess Club Open 2024**

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## **Registration Link**

<https://zfrmz.com/F1UlodiKZci2HOxsRVsy>

Cut-off date for registration and payments is Wednesday the 17<sup>h</sup> of April at 22h00. Late entries will be subject to an additional late entry fee of R50 and will be allowed up to 24 hours before the scheduled start time for the first round of the Rapid event.





## Blitz Event – Friday 19 April 2024

<b>Date</b>	Friday 19 April 2024
<b>Time</b>	Round 1 – 18h00 <i>Rounds will be accelerated</i>
<b>Format</b>	7 Round Individual Swiss
<b>Time Control</b>	Blitz 3/3 + 2sipm from move 1
<b>Rated</b>	Chess SA / FIDE Rated
<b>Rules</b>	Latest FIDE Rules Apply
<b>Section</b>	Open
<b>Entry Fee</b>	R50

***Entry into this event is limited to a maximum of 80 players. Registration is thus on a first come first serve basis.***

***The blitz event is completely separate and is optional – It will not affect the final rankings and prize money of the rapid event.***





## Rapid Event – Saturday 20 April 2024

<b>Date</b>	Saturday 20 April 2024
<b>Time</b>	Round 1 – 09h30 Prize giving ceremony is estimated to start at 15h30 <i>Rounds will be accelerated</i>
<b>Format</b>	7 Round Individual Swiss
<b>Time Control</b>	Rapid 15/15 + 5sipm from move 1
<b>Rules</b>	Latest FIDE Rules Apply

### Event Sections

<b>Section</b>	<b>Entry Requirements</b>	<b>Rated</b>	<b>Entry Fee</b>
<b>Championship</b>	Chess SA / FIDE Rating <b>1700+</b>	Chess SA, FIDE Rated	R300
<b>Advanced</b>	Chess SA / FIDE Rating <b>1500-1699*</b>	Chess SA, FIDE Rated	R250
<b>Intermediate</b>	Chess SA Rating <b>1250 - 1499*</b>	Chess SA Rated	R180
<b>Development (U14)</b>	<b>Born 2010 or later**</b>	Chess SA Rated	R100

*\*Players are allowed to play up into a section. Players wishing to play up into the Championship section must make a request to the Registration Officer.*

*\*\* U14 players with a rating greater than 1250 should enter into the Intermediate section.*

*Unrated players born 2009 or earlier must enter into the Intermediate section*

*Please take note of the newly adjusted Chess SA and FIDE ratings as of the 1<sup>st</sup> of March 2024. When determining the section in which a player must participate, it is imperative to utilize the **Main** rating from Chess SA*



## Prize Breakdown Championship

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	Best Female	Best Senior (50+)
R10000	R5000	R2500	R1250	R1000	R1000	R1000

## Advanced

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	Best Female	Best Senior (50+)
R5000	R2500	R1250	R1000	R750	R750	R800

## Intermediate

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	Best Female	Best Senior (50+)
R2500	R1250	R1000	R750	R500	R500	R500

## Development

1 <sup>st</sup>	Chess Clock + Chess Set
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Chess Set + Bag
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Chess Set + Book
4 <sup>th</sup>	Chess Set
5 <sup>th</sup>	Chess Set
Best Female	Chess Bag + Book

*\*In the event that the best female of a section is also placed in the top 5, the prize will be awarded to the next best female according to the final rankings of that section.*



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## Tiebreaks

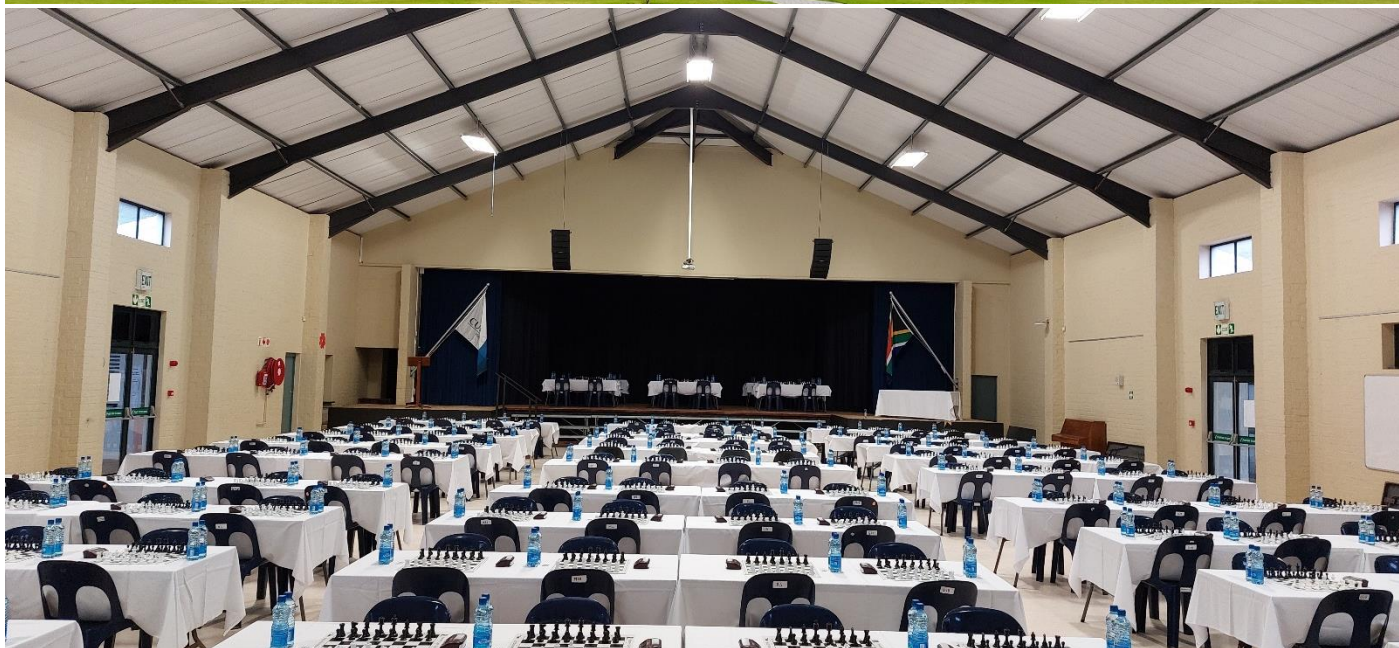
In the event there is a tie for any position (including first place), the tiebreak between the players with the same game points will be broken in the following order:

1. Direct Encounter
2. Buchholz
3. Sonneborn-Berger
4. Rating average of opponent

## Venue

Curro Road, Sandbaai, 1, Hermanus, 7200

**There will be a tuckshop as well as additional food vendors available at the venue**



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## Registration and Payment

### How to Register

**1** Fill in the form [CLICK HERE](#) 

**2** Make an EFT payment into the Hermanus Chess Club bank account

Standard Bank  
Hermanus Chess Club  
Branch Code: 051001  
Account Number: 10192089682  
Account Type: Current

*Please use your initials and section as reference  
(e.g. JSmithAdvanced)*

**3** Email Proof of Payment to [payments@hermanuschessclub.co.za](mailto:payments@hermanuschessclub.co.za)

### Please Note

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**No entries or payments will be accepted on the day of the event.**



## Tournament Regulations

### Registration and Sections

- With registration, the parent, guardian or player agrees to the POPI act.
- The parent, guardian or player agrees that photos and videos will be taken during this event and give their consent to be posted to social media as well as the Hermanus Chess Club website.
- Players may be moved to another section at the discretion of the Chief Arbiter, Tournament Director or Registration Officer.

### Default Time

- Blitz Event: No default time for all rounds.
- Rapid Event: No default time for the first round. Empty boards will be manually paired. For all other rounds there is a default time of 5 minutes. A player who arrives at the board after the default time has elapsed will forfeit the game unless the Chief Arbiter decides otherwise.

### Venue

- Smoking inside any building of the playing area is forbidden. The general rules with regards to smoking of the playing venue must also be adhered to.
- Any person (Arbiter, Official, Non-Official, Player or Spectator) found to be under the influence of alcohol, drugs or any other illegal substance will automatically forfeit and immediately be removed from the tournament. The person may be asked to leave the premises.
- No equipment or furniture of any kind such as chess clocks, chess sets, tables, chairs, electronic equipment or stationery may be removed from the playing venue

### Cell Phones and Communication Devices

- All electronic equipment (e.g. mobile phones, tablets, smart watches, etc. but excluding those items used exclusively for the running of the Event) must be switched off when brought into the playing area. Any player who is found to have such a device in his/her possession which is not switched off will immediately be forfeited (loss of game)

### Players

- All players must act in accordance with Article 11 of the FIDE Laws of Chess. Players must behave in a manner that will not bring the tournament and game of chess into disrepute.
- Players who have completed their game and handed in their result become a spectator and must leave the playing area.
- No unofficial games shall be played in the playing area during a round or in-between a round.
- Players shall not discuss or analyse a game that is in progress, or has just been completed while still in the playing area.





- Any incorrect scores must immediately be reported if noticed and will be dealt with on an individual basis. Both players must agree in person to change the recorded score. Any incorrect score reported after the start of the following round will not be changed.

### Appeals

A player wishing to appeal against a ruling made by an arbiter, must do so immediately after the game has ended and before the pairings for the next round has been published. Appeals must be lodged with the tournament director.

### Withdrawal from the event

Players withdrawing from the event will forfeit their entry fees. Players wishing to withdraw must inform the tournament director before the first round pairings are published. If a player withdraws during the event, rating penalties will be applied as per Chess SA Rating Regulations if no valid and acceptable reason(s) are provided by the player

### Communication

It is highly advisable that all players (and parents of junior players) join the tournament WhatsApp group to receive updates and communication regarding the event. Pairings will be published to Chess-Results as well as the WhatsApp group on the day of the tournament.

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/DcjNJ6l6xhslAbXXbEPzo9>

### Dress code

Players must always be dressed neatly and look presentable. Players must always wear shoes or sandals whilst inside the playing area.

### Transport and Accommodation

Each participant is responsible for his/her own transport and accommodation arrangements and the costs thereof.

### Catering

There will be a tuckshop as well as other food vendors in operation for the duration of the main rapid event on Saturday the 20<sup>th</sup> of April.

*The Hermanus Chess Club reserves the right to change any aspect of the tournament including but not limited to the venue, sections, format, time control, dates, number of players and prize funds. Any changes will be communicated to players through the tournament WhatsApp group and to the email addresses provided by players upon registration.*