

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	Shane McCosker
1964	John McGill	2020	Cancelled due to Covid
1966	James Marshall	2022	Shane McCosker
1968	John McGill	2024	???????????????
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 English Draughts Association

Along with its sponsors are proud to host the

2024 British Open Draughts Championships September 16th-20th

in the

Seven Woods, Westbrook Crescent, Warrington WA5 8TE

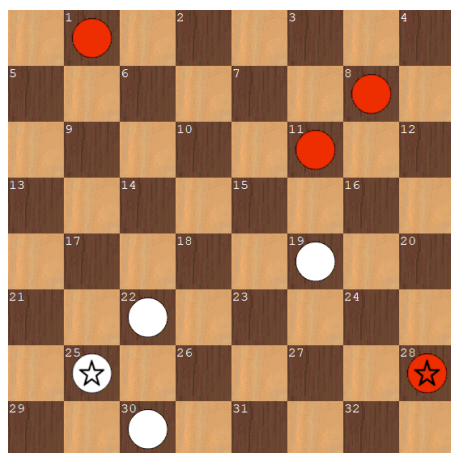


On behalf of the English Draughts Association, we would like to extend a warm invitation to all players and friends to the 2024 British Open Draughts Championships in Warrington.

Without the help and support from the Seven Woods management and team this event might not have been possible so we will take this opportunity to thank Vicky and her team.

We hope you all enjoy your time in this lovely and vibrant town.

In the meantime we provide a little teaser for sight solving to get you in the mood.



White to Play and Draw

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.

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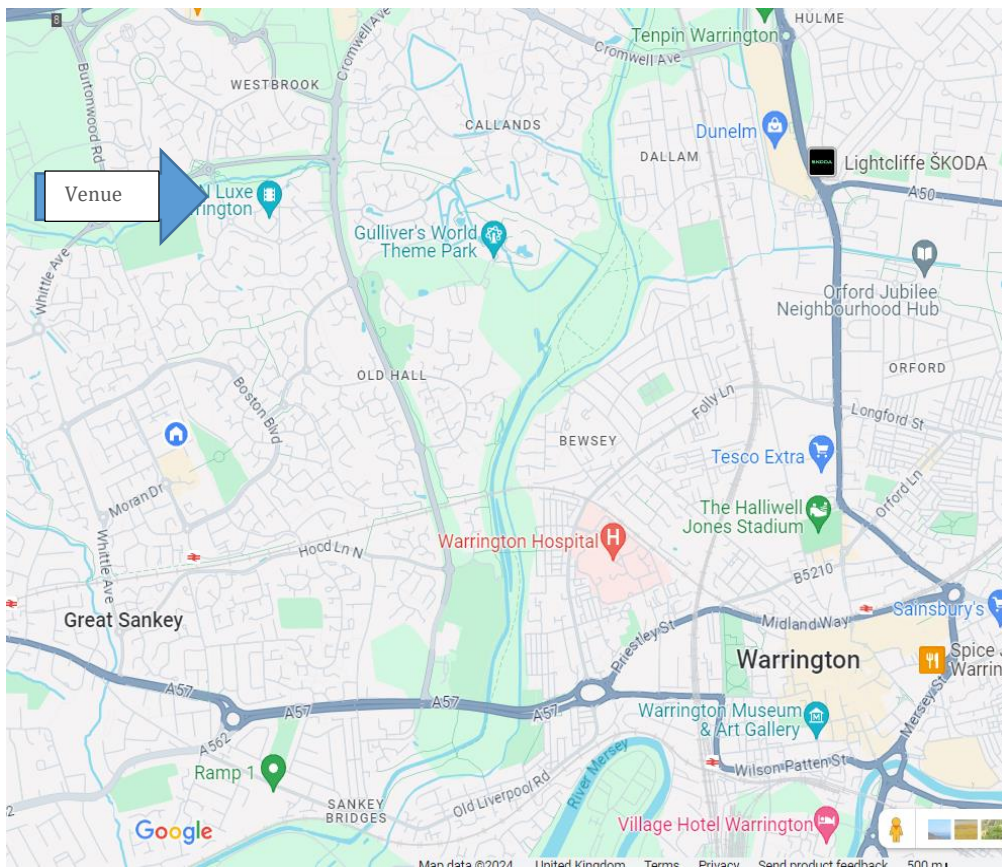
Venue Address: The Seven Woods
Westbrook Crescent,
Westbrook, Great Sankey,
WA5 8TE

The Seven Woods will give 20% discount on all food purchased.



Programme

Monday, 16 th Sept	09.30a.m.	Registration and Opening Ceremony
	10.00a.m.	First Round Ballot and Play
	2.30p.m.	Round Two
Tuesday, 17 th Sept	10.00a.m.	Round Three
	2.30p.m.	Round Four
Wednesday, 18 th Sept	10.00a.m.	Round Five
	2.30p.m.	Round Six
Thursday, 19 th Sept	10.00a.m.	Round Seven
	2.30p.m.	Round Eight
Friday, 20 th Sept	10.00a.m.	Round Nine
	2.30p.m.	Round Ten
	17.00p.m.	Prize Giving Ceremony
	18:00pm	Players Meal



Where to Stay in Warrington:

Patten Arms Hotel, www.pattenarmshotel.co.uk directly opposite the Warrington Bank Quay station so is ideal for taxis etc. This hotel is a budget place to stay.

Premier Inn Warrington, www.premierinn.com situated near the M62 J9 and near a retail park is a bit out of the way for those without a car.

Premier Inn Warrington Central, www.premierinn.com again situated not far of the M62 J9 and a little nearer the town centre but probably again more suited to those with transport.

Travelodge Warrington Gemini, www.travelodge.co.uk situated near the M62, J8 and ideal for those travelling by car. At 0.89 miles from the venue it's just a 20 minute walk to play. There is planned maintenance around the time of the competition so it may not be possible to get lodgings here.

Travelodge Warrington, www.travelodge.co.uk is situated right at the edge of the shopping and town centres. It would be easy to get a taxi or a local bus service to the venue from here.

Village Hotel, www.village-hotels.co.uk a nice hotel a short walk into the town centre, but further from the venue.

Waterside Hotel, www.greenekinginns.co.uk another nice hotel and located beside the Village hotel.

Holly Lodge B & B, 10 Froghall Lane, about a ten minute walk into the town centre.

Getting to Warrington:

By car, for the venue, from the M6 take J21A (be careful there are two slip roads) onto M62 towards Liverpool and then leave at J8 for the venue.

By Air, then you can choose either to fly into Manchester or Liverpool airports. There is a bus service from Manchester to Warrington Interchange and although it is slow it is less expensive than a taxi.

By Rail, from the North or the South you will arrive via Warrington Bank Quay station which is about a 15 minute walk into the centre of town. From the East or the West you will arrive via Warrington Central Station.

Getting to the venue by bus from the town centre use the number 17, it will drop you off right outside the Seven Woods and from the centre of town its 23 minutes.