



2025 South West Chess Festival Margaret River



Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th of September

An ACF rated CAWA Grand Prix event presented by Chess Association of Western Australia Inc. <http://www.cawa.org.au>

The South West Chess Festival this year comprises two tournaments – the traditional South West Open and the new South West Allegro.

The South West Open is an ACF-rated CAWA Grand Prix event. It incorporates the WA Country Championship, awarded to the highest-scoring WA player residing outside the Perth Metropolitan Area.

The South West Allegro is an ACF-rated event limited to U1500 (ACF) and unrated players. This event provides an opportunity for players who may be new to tournament chess to play over-the-board chess. There is no requirement to record moves.

Tournament Details

Venue:	Margaret River Community Centre, 33 Tunbridge Street, Margaret River, WA 6285
Format:	Swiss (Dutch variant), with six rounds in the Open and nine in the Allegro. Vega software (JaVaFo engine) for pairings. FIDE Laws of Chess apply.
Time Controls:	Open: 60 minutes with 10 second increment Allegro: 15 minutes with 3 second increment
Playing Times:	See next page.
Entry Closing Date:	9:00pm on Friday 12th of September. Late entries (with a \$10 fee) at Arbiter's discretion.
Entry Fee:	Entry fee for the Open is \$60. Entry fee for the Allegro is \$30.
Enquiries:	Ian McAteer (email: swopenwa@gmail.com , phone/text: 0403 776 220)
Arbiters:	Ian McAteer and TBC
Prizes:	Prizes will depend on the number of entries.
Payment:	Entries must be made by trybooking: Open: https://www.trybooking.com/DBMFG Allegro: https://www.trybooking.com/DBNIQ
Accommodation:	Tournament sponsor The River Hotel is offering a 15% discount on accommodation for the event. Contact Ian after buying your tickets to get the discount code.

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Open:	Round 1 10:00 am	Round 4 9:30 am
	Lunch 12:30 pm	Lunch 12:00 noon
	Round 2 1:00 pm	Round 5 12:30 pm
	Round 3 3:30 pm	Round 6 3:00 pm
Rapid:	Round 1 9:30 am	
	Round 2 10:10 am	
	Round 3 10:50 am	
	Lunch 11:30 pm	
	Round 4 12:00 noon	
	Round 5 12:40 pm	
	Round 6 1:20 pm	
	Break 2:00 pm	
	Round 7 2:15 pm	
	Round 8 2:55 pm	
	Round 9 3:35 pm	

Rules:

1. FIDE Laws of Chess apply.
 2. Mobile phones or other electronic devices must be off and not on your person.
 3. Illegal move may be claimed after an opponent completes their move and presses their clock. Touch move applies when making a corrected move.
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