

Nottinghamshire County Championship 2025

The County Championship was held on Sunday, 15th June and Sunday, 20th July, organised by Radcliffe and Bingham at their Royal British Legion Social Club, Radcliffe-on-Trent venue. The playing schedule comprised five rounds of ECF-rated standard play with a time limit of 75' plus 2" increments under the watchful eye of FIDE Arbiter Hambel Willow.

Despite the change in format (the previous year's championship was held over a single weekend) the number of entrants was unchanged at 23.

After the first Sunday's play the Open section was led by Worksop's Alexandr Klimchik and Florian Biermann (Gambit) on 2.5 points out of 3, with Dave Flynn (Nomads) hot on their tails with 2 points. The combined U1850/U1600 section was led by Mark Radford (Central) on 2.5 points ahead of a chasing pack of six players on 2 points, including the previous two U1850 champions, home crowd favourites Marcel Taylor and Nick London.

A tense second Sunday saw Alexandr clinch the Open title – and the coveted Silver Rook trophy – for the first time with 3.5 points, half a point ahead of Dave, Mike Naylor-Eade (Gambit) and Frank Richmond (West Bridgford). Frank won the Junior trophy.

Consecutive wins in the final two rounds saw Eddie Bromilow (West Bridgford) win the U1850 trophy. The U1600 trophy was won by Radcliffe and Bingham's Julius Vasiliauskas.

As part of their 60th anniversary celebrations, Ashfield CC hope to host the County Championship for the 2025/26 season.



Alexandr Klimchik collects the Silver Rook from NCA Honorary Secretary Nick London with FIDE Arbiter Hambel Willow looking on.