

2025 NZ Seniors Championship

Friday 7th November – Sunday 9th November 2025

Venue: 15 Cathedral Lane, Napier South, NAPIER

Organised by Hawke's Bay Chess Inc.

Format:

Two rounds per day, starting at 9:30am and 2:30pm.

	Start time	Day and Date
Player's meeting	9am	Friday 7 th November 2025
Round 1	9:30am	Friday 7 th November 2025
Round 2	2:30pm	Friday 7 th November 2025
Round 3	9:30am	Saturday 8 th November 2025
Round 4	2:30pm	Saturday 8 th November 2025
Round 5	9:30am	Sunday 9 th November 2025
Round 6	2:30pm	Sunday 9 th November 2025
Prize giving	ASAP after last round finishes	Sunday 9 th November 2025

Time Control:

90 minutes per player plus 30 seconds increment from move 1.

Entry Fee:

\$60 per player.

Prize find:

A minimum prize fund of \$1,000 plus award winning Hawke's Bay wine is guaranteed. Please see below for the cash prize distribution. This prize fund may increase based on entries received.

Prize	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Senior	\$250	\$150	\$80
Veteran	\$250	\$150	\$80
Top Female	\$100		

The highest placed New Zealand player shall be the New Zealand Seniors Chess Champion.

The highest placed player over the age of 64 on 1st January 2025 (born before the year 1961) shall be the New Zealand Veterans Chess Champion.

Monetary prizes are subject to a minimum of 3 entrants in each prize group.

No player may win more than one prize.

Prizes and titles will be shared equally in the event of a tie.

Half point byes:

Up to two half point byes are available in any of the first four rounds. Notice should be given before the start of the tournament and can be given upon entering.

Player eligibility:

Players must be over the age of 49 on 1st January 2025 (born before the year 1976).

Rating:

NZCF and FIDE rated where possible. Non NZL players must have or obtain a FIDE ID from their national federation.

To enter:

Entry can either be done by the online entry form here <https://forms.gle/WXAz74fB3qYPFdX26> or filling out this form and emailing to Matthew Ashton at mattash888@gmail.com with the subject 'NZ Seniors'.

Payment can be made to the Hawke's Bay Chess Club 03-0658-0245215-00 – please include your name and 'NZ Seniors' as the reference.

Closing date for entries is Wednesday 5th November.

Other information:

Please indicate if you are interested in any of the following:

- Being billeted during your stay (subject to availability).
- Being picked up and/or dropped off from Hawke's Bay Airport.
- Having a players' dinner at a local restaurant on either the Friday or Saturday nights.

For further enquiries please contact Matthew Ashton either at mattash888@gmail.com or on 022 081 9831.

ENTRY FORM – 2025 NZ Seniors Championship

<u>Name:</u>	_____	<u>NZCF ID:</u>	_____
<u>Email:</u>	_____	<u>FIDE ID:</u>	_____
<u>Phone:</u>	_____	<u>Entry fee:</u>	\$ _____
<u>Date of birth*:</u>	_____		
<u>Half point byes**:</u>	_____		

*Date of birth only required if you do not have a FIDE ID.

**Include the round numbers if you wish to take a half point bye (up to two allowed within the first four rounds).