NORTH SHORE
chess club

Peter Stuart Memorial

10th-12th July 2026

Ballroom of The Spencer Hotel, 9-17 Byron Avenue, Takapuna

Tournament Format

There are 2 six-round Swisses. The Open (A-grade) is restricted to players FIDE-rated 1600 or higher (players rated below 1600, particularly juniors, may be accepted, on application), and the Reserve to players FIDE-rated under 1700. The time control is 90 minutes for the game with 30 seconds increment from move one.

Rating

Both events will be NZCF- and FIDE-rated where possible. Non-NZL players must provide FIDE ID before the tournament begins.

Half-point Byes

A player may take a half-point bye in any one of the first five rounds. Notice should be given before the start of the tournament and may be given on the entry form.

Timetable

Friday, 10th July
9:00am Players' Meeting
9:30am Round 1 2:30pm Round 2
Saturday, 11th July
9:30am Round 3 2:30pm Round 4
Sunday, 12th July
9:30 am Round 5 2:30pm Round 6

The prizegiving will take place as soon as possible after the conclusion of the last round.

Enquiries

There is a dedicated webpage with online registration at www.newzealandchess.nz/peter-stuart-memorial-2026/
Please check the website www.northshorechess.org.nz or email heligan@heliganchess.nz.
Entries should appear in the Vega file promptly.

Entries

For entries (including entry fee) received **up to 5th July** the entry fees are:
Open $100 Reserve $80
Late entries (received on or after **6th July**) incur a $20 surcharge and may be accepted until midnight, Wednesday 8th July. No entries on the day of the event.
The organisers reserve the right to refuse entries.
Special discount for Summit Rapid players: take $25 off the entry fee if you want to take Sunday off (zero points for rounds 5 & 6).

Prize Fund

The guaranteed prize fund is $6,670. This may be increased if entries are much higher than anticipated.

	Open	Reserve
First	$1,500	$700
Second	$1,000	$400
Third	$750	$250
Fourth	$500	$180
Grade prizes	$500	$300
100% bonus for 6/6	$200	$150

Upset prizes will be distributed each round (total $240). Players may win Upset and 100% prizes in addition to one major prize. Grade prize structure will be determined after the start. There will be book prizes.

Treating the venue with respect

In addition to the ballroom, we have access to the large restaurant on the same floor. Food and drink (with the exception of water bottles) may not be brought into the hotel. Strictly no running around or visiting other floors. Offenders will be removed from the pairings.

I wish to enter the Peter Stuart Memorial Open ☐ Reserve ☐ (please tick)
Full Name .....NZCF Code No. .....FIDE ID.....
Please provide date of birth if you need NZL FIDE ID:.....
Telephone and/or email address:.....
Entry Fee $_____ Donation $_____ **Total $_____**
Half-point Bye in round:.....
Entries may be emailed: please give full name and which event you are entering, and email full details as required on the entry form to heligan@heliganchess.nz. Please pay online to the North Shore Chess Club, Inc. account, ASB 12-3008-0301266-00. Online registration is available at www.newzealandchess.nz/peter-stuart-memorial-2026/