

Zone 1 General Meeting 2018 Llandudno, Wales

Zonal Director Report on activities for Year 2017

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Dear Mr President, EU Officials and Delegates, Here is my report on Zone 1 (Europe) activities for 2017.

Zonal Director elections

After Marco Caressa from Italy had resigned from his position elections were started. Andrey Pavlikov from Russia was the only candidate and he was appointed as Zonal Director by Deputy Zonal Director Sergey Grodzenskiy in October 2017.

Financial Matters

The world of CC was deeply shocked and saddened to hear of the sudden death of George Pyrich on December 16, 2017. George had been a Finance Director both for ICCF and EU Zone for many years.

A new Finance Director is Jan Vosselman from the Netherlands. He was appointed on April,3 2018. For his report and notes see appendixes 1 and 2.

Auditor

Josef Mrkvicka from Czech Republic provided a report (see appendix 3). Josef resigned from his position in the beginning of July. I would like to thank him for his long and successful service both for ICCF and Zone 1.

The deadline for nominations for the position of the ICCF Auditor was 17thJuly, the candidates will be identified at Congress, and the voting will start on 1st September and be closed on 9th September.

Zone 1 Team

Zonal Director Andrey Pavlikov (Russia)
Deputy Zonal Director Sergey Grodzenskiy (Russia)
Finance Director Jan Vosselman (Netherlands)
Auditor vacant
EU Championship co-organizer Leonardo Madonia (Italy)

Tournaments

EU Team Championships

The Final of the 9th ETC started on June, 10 2014 and ended on September, 8 2017. The winner is Russia with 55 pts out of 96, followed by Slovenia with 54 pts (2nd place) and Italy with 52.5 pts (3rd place).

The Final of the 10th ETC started on June, 1 2017 with 13 teams.

Up to the moment 472 games of 624 are finished. Leading teams are Switzerland, Italy and Poland. TD is IA Thed Klauner from Luxembourg.

The semifinals of the 11th ETC started on June,1 2017 with 32 teams divided in 3 groups. Three best teams of each group qualify for the final. TD is IA Karel Glaser from Czech Republic.

Group 1 consists of 11 teams. 387 games of 440 are finished. Leading teams are Scotland, Lithuania and Iceland.

Group 2 consists of 10 teams. 281 games of 360 are finished. Leading teams are Wales, Netherlands and England.

Group 3 consists of 11 teams. 361 games of 440 are finished. Leading teams are Czech Republic, Romania and Austria.

EU Individual Championships

Finals

The Final of the 69th EU Individual Championship is played on server. It started on December,15 2015 with 15 players. It is still ongoing with 2 unfinished games. TD is IA Valery Myakutin from Russia.

The Final of the 70th EU Individual Championship is played by postal mail. It started on September,15 2017 with 15 players (12 of them are from Germany). 60 games of 105 are finished. TD is IA Joop Jansen from Netherlands.

The Final of the 71st EU Individual Championship is played on server. It started on December,15 2017 with 17 players (7 of them are from Russia). 76 games of 136 are finished. TD is IA Valery Myakutin from Russia.

Candidate's Tournaments

This year (March 2018) we started 5 sections with 13 players in each group (totally 65 players). There is the same number of sections as it was a year ago but a number of participants raised by 10. The most active countries are Russia with 17 players and Italy with 8 players. TDs are IA Valery Myakutin (Russia), IA Mariusz Wojnar (Poland), IA Marco Caressa (Italy), IA Joop Jansen (Netherlands).

New European server and postal championship (since 2014) statistics:

Stage / Year	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018(Jan-Jul)
WS Candidates	4	5	5	5	5
WS Semifinals	18	14	12	17	
WS Preliminaries	34	27	27	25	17
WS Open	66	49	62	54	36
Postal SF	9	4	6	6	1
Postal Open	21	9	6	9	4

2nd Thor Løvholt Memorial

A team tournament in two stages for players rated less than 2300. The final was played with 11 teams. It started on October,31 2015 and finished on October,2 2017. The winner is Ukraine followed by Belarus and Austria. TO and TD is IA Ian Pheby from England.

EU National Teams Postal Cup

A team tournament played by postal mail. It started on December,15 2015 with 9 national teams of 4 players. 131 games of 144 are finished. Leading teams are Italy, France and Germany. TO is Sergey Grodzenskiy from Russia, TD is Mariusz Wojnar from Poland.

EU Postal Cup Final

A team tournament played by postal mail. It started on March,31 2016 with 6 club teams of 4 players. 108 games of are 120 finished. Leading teams are Vitiazi (Russia), Germany-B and Germany-A. TO is Sergey Grodzenskiy from Russia, TD is Wojciech Krzyzanowski from Poland.

Chess 960 Team Cup for Europe

The second edition of Chess 960 Team Cup started in February 2017 with 12 national teams divided in two semifinal groups.

Group 1 consists of 6 teams. 119 games of 120 are finished. Top finishers are Ukraine, Germany, Luxembourg.

Group 2 consists of 6 teams. 119 games of 120 are finished. Top finishers are Russia, France and Slovenia.

The final started on March,15 2018 with six above mentioned teams. 36 games of 120 are finished. TO is Sergey Grodzenskiy from Russia, TD is Andrey Pavlikov from Russia.

Friendly match "One country vs Rest of Europe"

As is was agreed in 2011 such a match "One country vs Rest of Europe" would be organized annually.

This year we are going to organize a match "England vs Rest of Europe" on 100 boards. Start date November, 1. TD Carlos Leon Cranbourne (Argentina).

Previous matches (finished and ongoing) statistics:

Start date	One country	Boards	score	Winner
2011-12-19	Ukraine	66	76.5-56.5	Ukraine
2012-12-15	Russia	100	120.5-79.5	Russia
2014-03-17	Germany	265	281.5-248.5	Germany
2015-03-01	Italy	127	109-145	Rest of Europe
2015-12-31	Czech Republic	119	129.5-106.5	Czech Rep.
2016-12-15	Poland	70	69.5-63.5 Poland leads	
2017-09-30	Germany (postal)	60	12-8 Germany leads	
2017-10-31	France	50	34.5-34.5	

Proposals

Several proposals were received (see appendix 4). They are going to be discussed at EU Zonal meeting on Tuesday Augast,21

Appreciations

Finally I would like to thank all friends who actively worked as Tournament Organizers and Tournament Directors.

Thank you all.

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