



Junior British Chess Magazine is launched!

British Chess Magazine is delighted to announce the launch in October 2013 of the first issue of *Junior British Chess Magazine*, its new on-line magazine for young chess players and all those involved in teaching chess.

Junior BCM is the first digital only magazine of its kind anywhere in the world. Whether you have just learned to play, play regularly in teams and clubs but want to get better, or are involved in teaching chess to young players, *Junior BCM* is for you.

We are honoured that **David Levens** is the Editor of *Junior BCM*. David is a long established and hugely respected junior chess coach in England and writes extensively about chess for young players. In his prime he was one England's leading players, took part in several British Championships and tied for first place in the Nottingham County championship on two occasions. David has notched up wins against several England international players and masters and has won many splendidly attacking Best Game prizes, and he is still a strong and active player.

David is deeply committed to helping young chess players improve and he holds many influential positions in the chess world. He is a selector for the England junior chess teams, Director of Junior Chess for the Midlands Counties Chess Union, and has recently been appointed Manager of Coaches for the English Chess Federation. In May this year he was one of the coaches (alongside a number of GMs and IMs) supporting the English junior teams at the prestigious World Schools Individual Championships in Athens. David has run several chess clubs, captained county and club level chess teams, and has coached hundreds of young players many of whom have played in national junior chess teams for England.

The concept behind *Junior BCM* is simple. Our new magazine will be akin to your own personal chess coach available anytime anywhere on-line via your desktop, laptop, Kindle, iPad or other handheld - we have not sought to replicate the usual run of chess materials for young players. We have also worked hard to give *Junior BCM* a distinctive and eye-catching look in full colour so that it will also be fun and easy to read.

By downloading *Junior BCM* readers will learn about the wonderful game of chess, get ahead of opponents and improve results. *Junior BCM* will coach and guide young players from a basic level of chess understanding to becoming a strong club player. But whatever your level and ambition, we want our readers to enjoy *Junior BCM* and have fun as they improve their chess and results.

Junior BCM will appear every two months and will be packed with instructive games, opening theory, examples of practical play and coverage of junior chess events.

Shaun Taulbut Chairman of British Chess Magazine said:

“BCM shares David Levens’ passion for junior chess and we are delighted that together we have made *Junior BCM* a digital reality. Creating a new chess magazine designed specifically to encourage and bring on young chess players has been a long held ambition at BCM. The central idea is to develop chess among young players in the digital age and provide progressive chess coaching in each issue of *Junior BCM*. There will be a substantial and varied body of material in each issue as well as chess news and reports of chess events. We will be delighted to hear from young players about their exploits.

To create *Junior BCM* we joined forces with one of England’s leading chess writers and coaches for young players, **David Levens**. We are confident that, under David’s guidance and with its attractive design, full colour and easy to read digital format, our readers will enjoy *Junior BCM* and improve their play, and that all those involved in teaching and promoting chess will welcome it to the British chess scene.”

How to access *Junior BCM*

From October 2013 *Junior BCM* will be immediately available to all chess players and enthusiasts literally around the globe by using the latest digital technology. Working in association with digital magazine app developers MagazineCloner, *Junior BCM* will be available on Apple and Android apps and on other digital platforms such as Amazon’s Kindle Fire, Google Play, BlackBerry, Windows 8 and online on digital magazine newsstand www.pocketmags.com (a free Pocketmags account will enable readers to purchase and read subscriptions online using their PC, Mac as well as on the above handheld digital platforms).

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About BCM

British Chess Magazine has been part of Britain’s chess playing tradition for over 130 years. We are privileged to have a distinguished editorial team and writers committed to those traditions and to today’s generations of chess players and enthusiasts.

Our main magazine *British Chess Magazine* is intended for more experienced players and appears every month. Each issue has in-depth and informative content about the chess world. It is published in paper and digital formats.

Junior BCM is intended for younger readers who wish to progress to become strong club players. It will appear every two months and is published in digital only format.

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