

Northern Go Tournament

Manchester, 6th September 2015

The Northern Go Tournament is taking place again this year as a single day, three round tournament on Sunday, 6th September, on the 4th floor of

The Bank of East Asia,
3-5 Charlotte Street,
Manchester,
M1 4HB

This is within easy walking distance of Piccadilly railway station and Piccadilly bus station. The nearest Metrolink stations are Piccadilly Gardens, and Market Street – both equally convenient. (Note that trams do not now stop at St. Peter's Square!) Those coming by car should be aware that there are no cheap, all-day parking options in central Manchester, even on a Sunday!

<http://www.cs.man.ac.uk/~chris/Directions.pdf> contains specific advice on parking and finding the venue.

No food will be provided, but a list of nearby eating establishments will be available. You are quite welcome to bring sandwiches. Coffee will be provided at minimal cost!

The tournament will be run using the McMahon system, with time limits of 50 minutes per player, and overtime of 20/5, then 30/5, finally 40/5. Komi will be 7.

Approximate Timetable:

Registration: 9:45 – 10:00
Round 1: 10:00
Round 2: 13:00
Round 3: 15:20
Prize giving: 17:45

A meal will be organised in a nearby Chinese restaurant for those wishing to eat together after the tournament.

Prizes:

The winner of the tournament will receive £100, and the runner-up £50. Cash prizes of £10 or £15 will be awarded to others winning 2.5 or 3 games respectively.

It is essential to pre-register by emailing cckirkham@btinternet.com with your name, your club, and your grade. Alternatively you can telephone this information (from August 31st) between 19:00 and 21:00 week days, or between 14:00 and 21:00 on September 5th to 0161-903-9023. The size of the venue places a strict limit on the number of players and, when this is reached, later entries will be declined. Any who arrive on the day without registering in advance are warned that entry may be refused.

Fees: all payment should be made on the day by cash or cheque only.

BGA members: £3.00 (Concessions: £2.00)

Non-BGA players: £5.00 (Concessions: £3.00)

Sponsors: the low entry fee is possible because of the generous provision of free premises by the Bank of East Asia. The large prizes are the result of sponsorship by SAM properties.