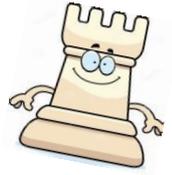


Dorset Junior Chess Newsletter – Half Term Special Edition



Hi, Dorset Junior Chess players and supporters.

Here is our half term special edition newsletter with lots of activities to keep you chess busy during this week off. There are some interesting clips to watch and some chess teasers to test you.

📌 INTERESTING CLIPS TO WATCH.

Interviews with Magnus Carlsen:

- **Magnus Carlsen** discusses in just over a minute (!) his first ever tournament game where he fell into the a devilish trap in the **Englund Gambit** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=420vGLmpl1Q>.
- **Carlsen's** views on 'The Queen's Gambit'. He provides his favourite game, only 3 minutes commentary but the solution to the game is very clever!
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_ZfPa-GMxMI
- **Carlsen**, in a 10 minute interview, provides some interesting comments and views on 'The Queen's Gambit', the current plethora of blitz chess, its likely impact on future (standard) chess, and what it feels like to lose at chess, not that he loses very often!
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=373vyIS_FGs
- And here Carlsen discusses Beth's final game in 'The Queen's Gambit'
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wqJmzBNDvwk>



And another interesting chess related clip.

Even professional football players can get the chess bug during these difficult times. Here is **Ben Chilwell's** short account (he plays for Chelsea) of how he used chess to cope with life during lockdown <https://www.premierleague.com/news/1974578>

♟️ CHESS FUN 'PUZZLES' AND TEASERS

Here are a few fun chess puzzles and teasers to have a go at

A queen maze



In this Queen maze, white has to move the Queen consecutively until it captures the black King.

It is **not** allowed to:

- ♟️ Capture any black pieces
- ♟️ Move to squares that are attacked by black pieces.

The Queen can capture the King in 14 moves – can you find your way through the maze.

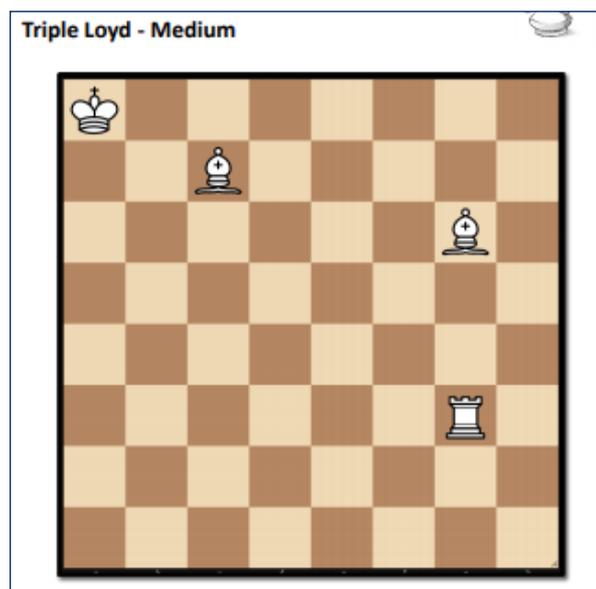
A Triple Loyd

In a Triple Loyd puzzle the Black King is missing from the board.

You have to put the King in 3 different positions so that:

- ♟️ In the first position the black King is in Checkmate
- ♟️ In the second position the black King is in Stalemate
- ♟️ In the third position, white can deliver checkmate in one move (and what's that move)

Sometimes (but not necessarily) the same square can be used in a Triple Loyd.



Puzzles from the UK Chess Challenge Activity booklets.

We hope you enjoyed this. We always welcome new juniors of all levels and volunteers, so please contact the B&DCL and DCCA junior chess coordinator, Nikki Forster at nikkiforster2015@gmail.com if you wish to find out more on any junior chess matters or check out the Dorset Junior chess webpage where you can also find more UK Chess Challenge puzzles <https://www.dorsetchess.co.uk/junior-chess/>

