



# Grading List

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The SCCA grading list has been published during the first quarter of each calendar year, then supplemented by updates from the ICCF rating system every March and September. The 2008 list was the last to calculate SCCA grades. From 2009, all grades are calculated on the ICCF system, and SCCA domestic events are administered on the ICCF webserver to allow results to be automatically fed into the ICCF system. From 2009, the ICCF grading list has been published quarterly.



## Grading List 2021

### January 2021 Notes

The first ICCF grading list of 2021 is published and new grades are based on 3 months' results reported between 1 September 2020 and 30 November 2020. The grades will apply to internationally graded games starting between 1 January and 31 March 2021.

There were 3 new additions in this list – Benjamin Major, Theo van Stratum and Dietmar Wicht. Two players gained titles in the last grading period – Allan Buchan and Robert Montgomery, both CCE.

The most significant rating moves were Allan Buchan (+132), Martin Hardwick (+70) and John Dunn (+47) with Andrew MacMillen, Alan Sedstrem and Iain Sneddon also gaining more than 20 rating points in the quarter.

More new games centurions featured – Carlos Almarza Mato has crashed through the 1900 barrier, Martin Hardwick and Raymond Burrige are now over 1600. Andrew MacMillen (1400+), John Dunn (400+) and David Edney (300+) also reached new centuries. Highest recorded games during this quarter were Carlos Almarza Mato (100), Martin Hardwick (65), Raymond Burrige (43), Allan Buchan (35), Theo van Stratum (31), Benjamin Major and Dietmar Wicht (both 30).

### April 2021 Notes

The second ICCF grading list of 2021 is published and new grades are based on 3 months' results reported between 1 December 2020 and 28 February 2021. The grades will apply to internationally graded games starting between 1 April and 30 June 2021.

If any eagle-eyed readers spotted accidental omissions from the last grading report they kept it to themselves. I noticed some omissions when preparing this report and so apologies for the errors (not all are mine). I'm not going to tell you who I missed out and you can use it as a test (although see next paragraph, the rest all had surnames that began with G!).

There were 3 new additions in this list – Kieran Rafferty, Rob Taylor (Rob should have been listed with a provisional rating previously) and yours truly after some years of inactivity. Norms were achieved by Alan Bell (IM), Gordon Anderson (IM) and Ian Whittaker (CCE) – congratulations to them with a hope for future norms. The most significant rating moves were Rob Taylor (+73 and now obtaining a full rating), David Edney (+29) and Robert Montgomery (+20). The only other double figure moves up were Andrew MacMillen (+18) and Carlos Almarza Mato (+12).

More new games centurions featured – Carlos Almarza Mato (2000+), Geoff Lloyd (1000+), Colin Beveridge (600+) and Stephen Clark (300+). Highest recorded games during this quarter were Kieran Rafferty (51), David Cumming (44), Carlos Almarza Mato (43), Raymond Burrige (33), Allan Buchan (29), Iain Sneddon (28) and Martin Hardwick (23).

### General Notes

You need to complete 12 ICCF-eligible games to obtain a provisional rating (\* below). Provisional ratings apply until 30 games have been processed. Note that correspondence grades are often substantially higher than over-the-board grades. Please get in touch with me at: [grader](#) if you have any queries.

### Titled Players

#### Grandmaster 3xGM

Bryson, D M (1986); Kilgour, D A (1996); Muir, A J (1995).

#### Senior International Master 6xSIM

Beecham, C R (2009); Craig, T J (2001); Finnie, D S (2002); Giulian, P M (1999); Mackintosh, I (2018); McNab, Dr C A (1999).

**International Master 9xIM**

Borwell, A P (1993); Livie, G W G (2003); McAlpine, K B (1990); Matheis, T (2010); Pyrich, G D (1995); Sprott, G R (2001); Thomson, T (1999); Watson J (1999); Wickens, T S (1988).

**SCCA Master 36xSM**

Aird, I (2002); Anderson, G M (2012); Baxter, R W M (1998); Bell, A D (2012); Bennett, P G (2014); Brown, Dr A C (2003); Cumming, D R (2013); Gillam, S R (1997); Graham, S (2011); Lennox, C J (2001); Lloyd, G (2011); Milligan, B (2002); Morrison, G (1987); Neil, D (2002); Norris, A J (1986); Paine, Dr K A (2019); Sneddon, I (2021); Stewart, D J (1998).  
 [Note that GM, SIM and IM title holders are also included as SCCA Masters]

**Correspondence Chess Master 7xCCM**

Anderson, G M (2019); Bell, A D (2017); Bennett, P G (2017); Blake, M J (2020); Cumming, D R (2017); Lloyd, G (2019); Sneddon, I (2020).

**Correspondence Chess Expert 3xCCE**

Beveridge, C (2019); Buchan, A W (2020); Dawson, Prof A G (2018), Montgomery, R S (2020).

**Scottish Master Title**

GM, SIM and IM titles are awarded by ICCF, and their qualifying conditions are explained on the [ICCF website](#) - follow the ICCF Titles links. The Scottish Master (SM) title is awarded by the SCCA, and its qualifying conditions are:

1. Attaining the ICCF GM, SIM or IM title.
2. Attaining 3 norms, without limit of time; one norm for each of the following:
  - o (SCCA or) ICCF grade of 2300 or above, provided this grade is based on at least 30 results in total, and on at least 20 new results since any previous norm has been awarded for grade.
  - o Outright winner of the SCCA Championship Final, or joint winner with at least 75% of total points. (Note that the SCCA Championship should be organised so that players play a minimum of 8 games for this condition to operate.)
  - o IM norm.
  - o 50% or more of the points in an ICCF World Semi-Final, or 60% or more of the points in an ICCF World Preliminary.
  - o Winner of an ICCF World or European Master Class.
3. Players must be members of the SCCA and have indicated that the SCCA is their primary CC body when norms are achieved, and the award of the title is subject to ratification by the SCCA Executive Committee.

**Highest Scottish ICCF Grades**

**2500+**

**2400+**

2469 Beecham, C R (SIM); 2454 Matheis, T (IM); 2454 Murden, C (IM); 2426 Bell, A D (CCM, SM); 2423 Mackintosh, I (SIM).

**2300+**

2377 2382 Blake, M J (CCM); 2369 Bennett, P G (CCM, SM); 2363 Sneddon, I (CCM, SM); 2357 Anderson, G M (CCM, SM); 2350 Paine, Prof K A (SM); 2314 Lloyd, G (CCM, SM).

**2200+**

2294 Cumming, D R (CCM, SM); 2275 Montgomery, R S (CCE); 2273 Beveridge, C (CCE); 2268 Buchan, A W (CCE); 2238 Kilgour, D A (GM); 2207 Borwell, A P (IM).

**2100+**

2192 Dawson Prof A G (CCE); 2183 Maxwell, A; 2153 Smith, M J; 2135 Whittaker, I P; 2115 Almarza Mato, C (CCE).

**Main Grading List**

A							
Member	Name	Results	SCCA Grade	Prov	Results	ICCF Grade	Prov
317	Almarza Mato, C (CCE)				2002	2115	
518	Anderson, G M (CCM, SM)				345	2357	
121	Anderson, J				302	1941	
313	Armstrong, J McK				461	1505	

B							
Member	Name	Results	SCCA Grade	Prov	Results	ICCF Grade	Prov
511	Beecham, C R (SIM)				493	2469	
599	Bell, A D (CCM, SM)				260	2426	
501	Bennett, P G (CCM, SM)				489	2369	
481	Beveridge, C (CCE)				602	2273	
472	Blake, M J (CCM)				886	2382	
509	Borwell, A P (IM)				1096	2207	
486	Buchan, A W (CCE)				143	2268	

602	Burrige, R J				1638	2066	
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## C

<i>Member</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>SCCA Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>ICCF Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>
	Clark, S L				306	1830	
247	Cormack, W H				116	1896	
166	Cumming, D R (CCM, SM)				1871	2294	

## D

<i>Member</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>SCCA Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>ICCF Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>
422	Dawson, Prof A G (CCE)				170	2192	
478	Dunn, J				430	1524	

## E

<i>Member</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>SCCA Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>ICCF Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>
371	Edney, D				312	1952	

## F

<i>Member</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>SCCA Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>ICCF Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>
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## G

<i>Member</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>SCCA Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>ICCF Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>
462	Gilbert, R				263	1700	
124	Goodwin, B J				389	1719	
445	Graham, S W				86	1656	
399	Grant, J				74	1650	

## H

<i>Member</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>SCCA Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>ICCF Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>
596	Hardwick, M E				1686	1112	

## J

<i>Member</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>SCCA Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>ICCF Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>
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## K

<i>Member</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>SCCA Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>ICCF Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>
475	Kearns, A				115	1380	
548	Kilgour, D A (GM)				351	2238	
260	Knox, A				398	1404	

## L

<i>Member</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>SCCA Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>ICCF Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>
264	Lloyd, G (CCM, SM)				1010	2314	

## Mac-Mc

<i>Member</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>SCCA Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>ICCF Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>
	MacDonald, M				56	1389	
584	MacGregor, C A				452	1840	

532	Mackintosh, I (SIM)				789	2423	
216	MacMillen, A N				1408	1602	

**M**

<i>Member</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>SCCA Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>ICCF Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>
485	Major, B				39	1242	
566	Marshall, I H				831	1892	
434	Matheis, T (IM)				263	2454	
	Miles, A				69	1443	
401	Moir, P J				205	1507	
598	Montgomery, R S (CCE)				331	2275	
474	Murden, C (IM)				620	2454	
564	Murray, J S				89	2005	

**N**

<i>Member</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>SCCA Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>ICCF Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>
440	Neil, C				342	1338	
453	Newton, A				30	1774	

**O**

<i>Member</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>SCCA Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>ICCF Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>
603	O'Neill-McAleenan, C				184	1874	

**P**

<i>Member</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>SCCA Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>ICCF Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>
604	Paine, Prof K A (SM)				232	2350	
	Pettigrew, S				169	1374	
432	Price, D				466	1862	

**R**

<i>Member</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>SCCA Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>ICCF Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>
609	Rafferty, K				51	1610	

**S**

<i>Member</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>SCCA Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>ICCF Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>
477	Sedstrem, A				107	1416	
439	Smith, M J				106	2153	
057	Sneddon, I (CCM, SM)				394	2363	

**T**

<i>Member</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>SCCA Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>ICCF Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>
	Taylor, R				35	1402	
605	Taylor, W				143	2074	

**V**

<i>Member</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>SCCA Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>ICCF Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>
484	van Stratum, T				34	1355	

W

<i>Member</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>SCCA Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>ICCF Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>
	Warren, J				36	2067	
480	Whittaker, I P				166	2135	
487	Wicht, D				37	1875	

Y

<i>Member</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>SCCA Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>	<i>Results</i>	<i>ICCF Grade</i>	<i>Prov</i>
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