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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 2023

July 2023 Notes

The third ICCF grading list of 2023 is published and new grades are based on 3 months' results reported between 1 Apr and 30 Jun 2023. The grades will apply to internationally graded games starting between 1 Jul and 30 Sep 2023.

In the norms and titles stakes, Graham Morrison obtained 2 CCM norms and the CCM title in quick succession (and, as should have been noted in the last list, received a Scottish Master norm for achieving a 2300 rating). Congratulations to Graham!

There was 1 addition to the list and 7 players have unfixed and hence unpublished ratings at present. The most significant rating moves were Carlos Almarza Mato (+39), Derek Price (+30), Martin Hardwick (+26), Colin MacGregor (+22) and Ian Marshall (+21).

New games centurions were Ian Whittaker and Thomas Matheis (300+) and Murdo MacDonald (100+). Highest recorded games this quarter were Carlos Almarza Mato and Iain Sneddon (49), David Cumming (36), Raymond Burrige (32), Alan Buchan (26), Michael Blake (24), Geoffrey Lloyd (21) and Ian Whittaker (20).

April 2023 Notes

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In the norms and titles stakes, Alan Bell got this third IM norm and hence the title playing in the 11th European Team Championship Final. Kevin Paine and Robert Montgomery both achieved their final norms to obtain their CCM titles while Graham Morrison and Wilf Taylor have both got final CCE norms for the title as well. Wilf also got his first CCM norm as so congratulations to all our new title and norm holders!

There were no additions or deletions on the list. 7 players have unfixed and hence unpublished ratings at present. The most significant rating moves were Martin Hardwick (+141), Steve Pettigrew (+37) and Wilf Taylor (+27).

New games centurions were Raymond Burrige, Martin Hardwick (both 1900+), Ian Marshall (900+), John Dunn (500+) and Alan Miles (100). Highest recorded games this quarter were Martin Hardwick (48), Carlos Almarza Mato and Geoffrey Lloyd (36), Iain Sneddon (33), Alan Buchan (32), Raymond Burrige (31), David Cumming (30) and Colin Beveridge (25).

January 2023 Notes

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General Notes

If you are ungraded, the ICCF webserver will calculate a provisional rating for your first 12 games. Provisional ratings are no longer published. After you complete 30 games, you are eligible for a published ICCF grade. 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 10xIM

Bell, A D (2022); Borwell, A P (1993); Livie, G W G (2003); McAlpine, K B (1990); Matheis, T (2010); Pyrich, G D (1995); Spratt, 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, Prof 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 12xCCM

Anderson, G M (2019); Bell, A D (2017); Bennett, P G (2017); Beveridge, C (2022); Blake, M J (2020); Buchan, A W (2021); Cumming, D R (2017); Lloyd, G (2019); Montgomery, R S (2023); Morrison, G J (2023); Paine, Prof K A (2023); Sneddon, I (2020).

Correspondence Chess Expert 9xCCE

Almarza Mato, C (2019); Beveridge, C (2019); Buchan, A W (2020); Dawson, Prof A G (2018); Montgomery, R S (2020); Morrison, G J (2023); Paine, Prof K A (2021), Taylor, W (2023); Whittaker, I P (2022).

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:

- Attaining the ICCF GM, SIM or IM title.
- Attaining 3 norms, without limit of time; one norm for each of the following:
 - (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.
 - 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.)
 - IM norm.
 - 50% or more of the points in an ICCF World Semi-Final, or 60% or more of the points in an ICCF World Preliminary.
- 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+

2462 Beecham, C R (SIM); 2459 Murden, C (IM); 2455 Matheis, T (IM); 2429 Bell, A D (IM); 2402 Mackintosh, I (SIM).

2300+

2379 Anderson, G M (CCM, SM); 2378 Bennett, P G (CCM, SM); 2369 Buchan, A W (CCM); 2367 Sneddon, I (CCM, SM); 2363 Blake, M J (CCM); 2361 Paine, Prof K A (CCM, SM); 2332 Morrison G J (CCM).

2200+

2296 Montgomery, R S (CCE); 2273 Whittaker, I P (CCE); 2272 Lloyd, G (CCM, SM); 2253 Cumming, D R (CCM, SM); 2245 Kilgour, D A (GM); 2224 Beveridge, C (CCM); 2202 Smith, M J.

2100+

2197 Borwell, A P (IM); 2191 Dawson Prof A G (CCE); 2149 Taylor, W (CCE); 2132 Antunes, A; 2106 Maxwell, A.

Main Grading List

A							
Member	Name	Results	SCCA Grade	Prov	Results	ICCF Grade	Prov
317	Almarza Mato, C (CCE)				2431	2105	
518	Anderson, G M (CCM, SM)				388	2379	
	Anderson, T R				53	1774	
	Antunes, A				33	2132	
313	Armstrong, J McK				536	1360	

<i>B</i>							
<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>
511	Beecham, C R (SIM)				541	2462	
599	Bell, A D (IM)				285	2429	
501	Bennett, P G (CCM, SM)				513	2378	
481	Beveridge, C (CCM)				781	2224	
472	Blake, M J (CCM)				954	2363	
509	Borwell, A P (IM)				1105	2197	
486	Buchan, A W (CCM)				413	2369	
602	Burridge, R J				1944	1891	

<i>C</i>							
<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>
	Carswell, D				44	1549	
247	Cormack, W H				125	1904	
166	Cumming, D R (CCM, SM)				2196	2253	

<i>D</i>							
<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)				177	2191	
478	Dunn, J				521	1455	

<i>E</i>							
<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				337	1870	

<i>F</i>							
<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>

<i>G</i>							
<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				309	1691	
399	Grant, J				79	1629	

<i>H</i>							
<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				1931	994	

<i>J</i>							
<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>

<i>K</i>							
<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)				367	2245	
260	Knox, A				427	1271	

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	Lima, J				30	2039	
264	Lloyd, G (CCM, SM)				1172	2272	

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				110	1176	
584	MacGregor, C A				506	1844	
532	Mackintosh, I (SIM)				845	2402	
216	MacMillen, A N				1495	1616	

M

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485	Major, B				98	1227	
566	Marshall, I H				909	2041	
434	Matheis, T (IM)				305	2455	
	Maxwell, A				72	2106	
	Miles, A				100	1353	
598	Montgomery, R S (CCM)				377	2296	
	Morrison, G J (CCE)				76	2332	
	Moss, R				47	1778	
474	Murden, C (IM)				677	2459	
564	Murray, J S				102	2038	

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603	O'Neill-McAleenan, C				251	1592	

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<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 (CCM, SM)				253	2361	
	Pettigrew, S				191	1375	
432	Price, D				518	1963	

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<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>
	Rafferty, F				42	1343	
609	Rafferty, K				68	1396	
	Ross, D I				57	1808	

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477	Sedstrem, A				119	1348	
439	Smith, M J				128	2202	

057	Sneddon, I (CCM, SM)				682	2367	
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<i>T</i>							
<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, A				38	1908	
	Taylor, R				82	1425	
605	Taylor, W (CCE)				197	2149	

<i>V</i>							
<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>

<i>W</i>							
<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>
480	Whittaker, I P (CCE)				301	2273	
487	Wicht, D				82	1890	

<i>Y</i>							
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