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INTRODUCTION

This handbook contains all the necessary information you will need during the 2026-2027 season, covering most aspects of the competition element of the Association. While it has been distributed to all members of the HERCA Charity for whom we hold a valid email address it remains every Club Secretary's and Team Captain's responsibility to let team members know about the contents of this handbook and any future amendments. Every care has been taken to ensure that the information given in this handbook is correct. However, should any errors occur, no matter how minor; it would be appreciated if you would bring them the attention of the General Secretary or the relevant event controller. Full contact details of all officers and trustees of the HERCA are to be found on page 4 of this handbook.

Please note that a copy of the Constitution and the Association Rules can be found on the Association web site (www.hullchess.com) or by contacting the General Secretary, see page 4 for contact details.

For alterations to this handbook, please contact David Atkin (See page 4)

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

1	Per 6 Board Winter League team if paid before 31 October 2026	£ 18.00
	Per 6 Board Winter League team if paid after 31 October 2026	£ 24.00
2	Per 4 Board Winter League team if paid before 31 October 2026	£ 15.00
	Per 4 Board Winter League team if paid after 31 October 2026	£ 20.00
3	Per 4 Board MH Brown Summer League team	£ 9.00
4	Per Cup Team (For each cup entered)	£ 0.00
5	Individual Membership	£ 5.00

Preferred method of payment of the fees is by bank transfer; please contact the Treasurer for the HERCA bank details.

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OFFICERS & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

(All officers and executive committee members are Trustees of the Charity unless otherwise stated)

PRINCIPAL OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

President:	Graham Chesters
Treasurer:	Douglas Vleeshhouwer
General Secretary:	Keith Porteous
Head of Governance:	Richard Atkinson
Lead Junior Academy:	Chris Matthews
Lead Chess in the Community:	Graham Chesters
Lead Competitions, Teams & Rules:	David Atkin
Lead for Safeguarding:	Richard Atkinson

OTHER ROLES WITHIN THE ASSOCIATION

Safeguarding officer (not a Trustee):	Mike Pollard
League Secretary:	David Atkin
Fixtures Officer Winter League and MH Brown Summer League:	Derek Sheppard
Winter League Controller:	David Atkin
MH Brown Summer League Controller:	David Atkin
Cup and Individuals Tournament Controller:	Andrew Bettley
Peter Hughes Tournament Controller	Douglas Vleeshhouwer
Junior Chess Secretary:	Richard Atkinson
LMS Administrator:	David Atkin
Match Captain Yorkshire League:	Douglas Vleeshhouwer
Match Captains Yorkshire Under-18:	Chris Matthews & Richard Atkinson
HERCA 4NCL Congress Organiser:	Douglas Vleeshhouwer
HERCA Junior Chess Congress Organiser:	Chris Matthews
HERCA Rapid Play Organiser:	Douglas Vleeshhouwer
HERCA Team Lightning Organiser:	Douglas Vleeshhouwer
Match Captain Online Competitions:	Vacant
HERCA Primary School Online League:	TBD
HERCA Secondary School OTB League:	TBD

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CLUB DETAILS

BEVERLEY CC

Venue:	St. Nicholas Community Centre, Holme Church Lane, Beverley. HU17 0PY. Playing room upstairs. Street car parking nearby – **DO NOT** park down Jack Taylor Down and **DO NOT** use the car park behind the building as that belongs to the business centre. Website: https://sites.google.com/site/beverleychessclub/
Club Nights/Times	Wednesday (6.45 pm – 11:00 pm) Juniors (beginners and intermediates) Wednesday 5:45 - 6:45pm; Advanced Juniors Friday 4:00 - 5:15pm, both twice per month
President:	Edward (Ted) Oxley ☎: 01482-865353. ✉: edwardoxley53@icloud.com
Secretary:	Richard Coates ✉: richard.coates1954@gmail.com
Treasurer:	Steven Tomlinson ☎: 01482-865335. ✉: steve.56.tomlinson@gmail.com
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Team Captains:

6-board:

Beverley Armadillos	Douglas Vleeshhouwer. ☎: 07481 696111 ✉: douglas.vleeshhouwer@gmail.com
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Beverley Patriots	David Gibson ✉: davidjohngibson@hotmail.com
Junior Team Captain	Douglas Vleeshhouwer. ☎: 07481 696111 ✉: douglas.vleeshhouwer@gmail.com

EAST HULL CC

Venue:	The Club House Community Centre, Elm Avenue, Garden Village, Hull HU8 8PZ
Club Nights/Times	Mondays. Junior Academy from 6pm. Senior club from 7pm.
President:	Paul Carter ☎: 01482 711253. ✉: carterpaul@live.co.uk
Secretary:	Andrew Reynolds. ✉: easthull@easthull.karoo.co.uk
Treasurer:	Chris Matthews ☎: 07432 262867. ✉: chrischess007@gmail.com
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Team Captains:

6-board:

East Hull A Dragons	Paul Carter. ☎: 01482-711253. ✉: carterpaul@live.co.uk
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HULL CC

Venue:	The Meeting Hall of Charterhouse, Charterhouse Lane, Wincolmlee, Hull HU2 8AF. Website: https://www.hullchess.co.uk/.
Club Nights/Times	Wednesdays 7.00pm – 10:15pm, Friday 7pm – 10:15pm Juniors meet Friday, 6pm - 7pm
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Hull X	John Scotter. ☎ . ✉: skoot15@hotmail.com

ST. ANDREWS CC

Venue:	Marist Social Club, 125 Cottingham Road, Hull HU5 2DJ (Opposite Cranbrook Avenue) To gain entry, walk down the drive to the right of the Catholic Church (Our Lady of Lourdes & St Peter Chanel) and take the passage way at the immediate back of the church (first passage way on your left). Walk straight to the very end of the passageway keeping the buildings to your right. After about 40 metres enter the bar area via the door on your immediate right. You will find that the driveway opens into a large car park.
Club Nights/Times	Club nights from the beginning of September until the end of May are on Monday & Wednesday evenings (7.00 until 10.30). In the summer months of June, July & August the club is only open on Monday evenings (7.00 until 10.30)
President:	Jordan Goodwin. ☎: 0757990429. ✉: jordangoodwin@outlook.com
Secretary:	Lester Jones. ☎:07837579037. ✉: lester42730@gmail.com
Treasurer:	Charles Clayton. ☎: 01482-441527. ✉: nicholascclayton@gmail.com

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St Andrews X	Jordan Goodwin. ☎: 0757990429. ✉: jordangoodwin@outlook.com

VICTORIA DOCK CC

Venue:	Victoria Dock Community Hub, Southbridge Road, Victoria Dock, Hull, HU9 1TL. Website: www.vdvh.co.uk.
Club Nights/Times	Monday Junior Academy 5:30pm - 6:30pm (September - July) Tuesday Junior Academy: 6:00pm - 7:00pm (September - July) Main Club: 7:15pm - 10:30pm (September - June)
President:	-
Secretary:	Richard Atkinson. ☎: 07890 508803. ✉: richard.a.atkinson@hotmail.co.uk
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TEAM REGISTRATIONS

Throughout * denotes junior players

JP LAWSON SIX BOARD: DIVISION ONE

Beverley Armadillos	**East Hull Dragons**	**Hull A**
Douglas Vleeshhouwer (c)	Paul Carter (c)	Jack Walker (c)
Andrei Ciuravin	Chris Matthews	Benedikt Pitel
Bruce Oliver	David Hambly	Dominik Pitel
John Raouf	Graham Chesters	John Cooper
Paul Kendall	Mark Collinson	Jonny Slater
Simon Smith	Phil Bawden	Kristian Usifoh
Tim M Turner	Richard Callis	Shaun Culkin
	Trevor Harper	
Hull B	**Hull MONDAY**	**St Andrews A**
Paul Allison (c)	Bryan Hesler (c)	Andrew Bettley (c)
Danniel Komolafe	David Stothard	David Stephenson
Joe Varley	Hussam Al Haidar	Ian Major
Keith Thompson	Joe Catto	Ian Scott
Luke Julyan	Maksym Larchikov	John Thackray
Maharnab Chaudhury	Nazar Kusiumov	Manfred Rodriguez
	Oleg Dukalevs	Robin Edwards
		Stephen Crow

Please refer to LMS for fixtures.

Beverley Armadillos: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30034/fixtures
East Hull Dragons: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30035/fixtures
Hull A: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30036/fixtures
Hull B: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30037/fixtures
Hull MONDAY: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30038/fixtures
St Andrews A: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30039/fixtures

ES STARKEY SIX BOARD: DIVISION TWO

Beverley Beavers	East Hull Vultures	Hull D
Derek Sheppard (c)	Ryan Lubbock (c)	Stuart Sharp (c)
Alec Grice	Acer Williams	Kris Blackburn
Alex Creswell	Andy Reynolds	Daniel Ryder
Colin Hailstone	Colin Field	Eric Fisher
David Gibson	Dave Griffiths-Jones	F Hal Jorna
Edward Oxley	John Thompson	John Scotter
Ez Harding	Jonathon Maxwell	Rob Docwra
Graham Lee	Nick Whetton	Stephen Greep
Kevin Chilvers	P Hanson	
Martyn Page	Phil Crook	
Peter Perkins	Shaun Taylor	
Rhys Attwood	Steve King	
Richard Coates		
Sean Bolton		
Stanley Mount		
Steve Hughes		
Steve Tomlinson		
Hull E	**Hull Futures 1**	**St Andrews B**
Mark Robinson (c)	Andy Hall (c)	Lester Jones (c)
Dave Cooper	Alex Alvino	Andrew Boa
Ewan Black	Antoni Garczynski	Andrew Olukpe
Jason Clemmey	Dylan Wright	Charles Clayton
John Burton	Jason Maidment	Dan Malbon
Keith Porteus	Jayden Foster	Darren Tomlinson
Mark Schofield	Joster Tsz Shing Li	Dave Atkin
Neil Hambly	Keith Mulholland	Graeme Reid
Sean Smith	Kieran Hooton	Jacob Jackson
Shaun Moody	Luke Sutton	Jordan Goodwin
William Wright	Max Curtis-Davis	Kenneth Wetheim
	Mike Dwyer	Michael Pollard
	Sam Greenhalgh	
	Sam Mitchell	
	Sebastian Jedlinski	

Please refer to LMS for fixtures.

Beverley Beavers: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30040/fixtures
East Hull Vultures: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30041/fixtures
Hull D: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30042/fixtures
Hull E: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30043/fixtures
Hull Futures 1: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30044/fixtures
St Andrews B: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30045/fixtures

RP ROSS FOUR BOARD: DIVISION ONE

Beverley Albatrosses	**East Hull B Panthers**	**Hull Futures 2**	**Hull T**
Derek Sheppard (c) Alec Grice Colin Hailstone Edward Oxley Graham Lee Peter Perkins Steve Hughes Steve Tomlinson	Ryan Lubbock (c) Colin Field Dave Griffiths-Jones John Thompson Nick Whetton Shaun Taylor	Alex Alvino Daniel Ryder David Kirlew-Morris Jayden Foster Keith Mulholland Kieran Hooton Maharnab Chaudhury Mark Schofield Nazar Kusiumov Sam Greenhalgh Shaun Moody Stuart Sharp	Sean Smith (c) Chris Harris Eric Fisher Hussam Al Haidar Keith Porteus Mark Robinson
Hull V	**Hull X**	**St Andrews D**	**St Andrews X**
Paul Allison (c) Bryan Hesler Joe Catto Joe Varley Keith Thompson Oleg Dukalevs	John Scotter (c) Dave Stothard Ewan Black F Hal Jorna Luke Julyan Neil Hambly Stephen Greep	John Thackray (c) Andrew Bettley David Stephenson Ian Major Ian Scott Robin Edwards Stephen Crow	Jordan Goodwin (c) Andrew Boa Andrew Olukpe Dan Malbon Jacob Jackson Jean-Baptiste Janin Kenneth Wertheim Simon Stachon

Please refer to LMS for fixtures.

Beverley Albatrosses: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30016/fixtures
East Hull B Panthers: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30017/fixtures
Hull Futures 2: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30019/fixtures
Hull T: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30021/fixtures
Hull V: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30022/fixtures
Hull X: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30023/fixtures
St Andrews D: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30024/fixtures
St Andrews X: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30025/fixtures

RP ROSS FOUR BOARD: DIVISION TWO

Beverley Knights	Beverley Patriots	East Hull A Dragons	Hull Juniors
Bruce Oliver (c)	Dave Gibson (c)	Paul Carter (c)	John Cooper (c)
Andrei Ciuravin	Tim M Turner	David Hambly	Benedikt Pitel
Douglas Vleeshhouwer	Kevin Chilvers	Graham Chesters	Dominik Pitel
John Raouf	Alex Creswell	Khadijeh Farah Bakhsh	Antoni Garczynski
Paul Kendall	Rhys Attwood	Phil Bawden	Joster Tsz Shing Li
Martyn Page	Ez Harding	Richard Callis	Sebastian Jedlinkski
Stanley Mount	Sean Bolton	Trevor Harper	Max Curtis-Davis
Richard Coates			
Simon Smith			
Hull U	**St Andrews C**	**Victoria Dock**	
Jonny Slater (c)	Mike Pollard (c)	Jim Miklevicz (c)	
Daniel Komolafe	Charles Clayton	Adam Kerr	
Rob Docwra	Dave Atkin	A Peter Owst	
Luke Sutton	Darren Tomlinson	Apurva Goray	
Andy Hall	Graeme Reid	Emmanul Adeboye	
Jason Maidment	Lester Jones	Harry Martin	
Mike Dwyer		Paul Kennedy	
Kris Blackburn		Paul Ridgeway	
Jack Walker		Peter Eggleton	
		Raymond Martin	
		Richard Atkinson	
		Scott Broome-Phillips	
		Viraat Agrawal	

Please refer to LMS for fixtures.

Beverley Knights: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30026/fixtures
Beverley Patriots: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30027/fixtures
East Hull A Dragons: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30028/fixtures
Hull Juniors: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30029/fixtures
Hull U: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30030/fixtures
St Andrews C: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30031/fixtures
Victoria Dock: https://lms.englishchess.org.uk/lms/team/30032/fixtures

Promotion / Relegation

In the Six Board competition, one team in the first division should be relegated to the second division, and one team in the second division promoted to the first division.

In the Four Board competition, two teams in the first division should be relegated to the second division, and two teams from the second division promoted to the first division.

Please note, however, that the actual numbers of teams in the 2027-28 season divisions will also depend on the number of teams entering from clubs, and so final decisions about the composition of the divisions will have to wait on entries later in the summer.

CUP COMPETITIONS

Thomas Atkinson Trophy

Please refer to the HERCA Rules, which can be found under Player Resources on the competitions page on the HERCA website: https://hullchess.com/competitions/
See pages 5-6 for team captain details.

Teams entered:

Beverley Armadillos	Hull BF
Beverley Beavers	Hull CE
East Hull Dragons	St Andrews A
East Hull Vultures	St Andrews B
Hull AD	

Qualifying Round Draw (1st September 2026 – 6th November 2026)

QR1	Beverley Beavers	v	Hull CE

Quarter-Final Draw (9th November 2026 – 22nd January 2027)

Q/F 1	Beverley Armadillos	v	East Hull Dragons
Q/F 2	St Andrews B	v	Winner QR1
Q/F 3	Hull AD	v	St Andrews A
Q/F 4	East Hull Vultures	v	Hull BF

Semi-Final Draw (25th January 2027 – 26th March 2027)

S/F 1	Winner of Q/F 1	v	Winner of Q/F 2
S/F 2	Winner of Q/F 3	v	Winner of Q/F 4

Final to be completed by 31st May 2027)

Winner of S/F 1	v	Winner of S/F 2

Fixtures and results can be found in LMS: ECF League Management System | ECF LMS

RP Ross Trophy

Please refer to the HERCA Rules, which can be found under Player Resources on the Competitions page on the HERCA website: https://hullchess.com/competitions/
See pages 5-6 for team captain details.

Teams entered:

Beverley Knights	Hull VX
East Hull Dragons	St Andrews C
East Hull Panthers	St Andrews D
Hull Futures 2	St Andrews X
Hull TU	Victoria Dock

Qualifying Round Draw (1st September 2026 – 6th November 2026)

QR1	Beverley Knights	v	Hull Futures 2
QR2	St Andrews X	v	Hull VX
QR3		v	
QR4		v	

Quarter-Final Draw (9th November 2026 – 22nd January 2027)

Q/F 1	Hull TU	v	Victoria Dock
Q/F 2	Winner QR1	v	East Hull Dragons
Q/F 3	St Andrews C	v	Winner QR2
Q/F 4	East Hull Panthers	v	St Andrews D

Semi-Final Draw (25th January 2027 – 26th March 2027)

S/F 1	Winner of Q/F 1	v	Winner of Q/F 2
S/F 2	Winner of Q/F 3	v	Winner of Q/F 4

Final to be completed by 31st May 2027)

Winner of S/F 1	v	Winner of S/F 2

Fixtures and results can be found in LMS: ECF League Management System | ECF LMS

HERCA Championship

Please refer to the HERCA Rules, which can be found under Player Resources on the Competitions page on the HERCA website: https://hullchess.com/competitions/

Players entered:

Andrei Ciuravin	Joe Varley
John Cooper	Stephen Crow
Patrick Hanson	

Round 1 Draw (To be completed by 30th October 2026)

Pairing 1	Joe Varley	v	Patrick Hanson
Pairing 2	John Cooper	v	Stephen Crow
Pairing 3	Andrei Ciuravin	v	*Bye*

Round 2 Draw (To be completed by 31st December 2026)

Pairing 1	Patrick Hanson	v	John Cooper
Pairing 2	Andrei Ciuravin	v	Joe Varley
Pairing 3	Stephen Crow	v	*Bye*

Round 3 (To be completed by 16th February 2027)

Pairing 1	John Cooper	v	Andrei Ciuravin
Pairing 2	Stephen Crow	v	Patrick Hanson
Pairing 3	Joe Varley	v	*Bye*

Round 4 Draw (To be completed by 27th April 2027)

Pairing 1	Andrei Ciuravin	v	Stephen Crow
Pairing 2	Joe Varley	v	John Cooper
Pairing 3	Patrick Hanson	v	*Bye*

Round 5 (To be completed by 31st May 2027)

Pairing 1	Stephen Crow	v	Joe Varley
Pairing 2	Patrick Hanson	v	Andrei Ciuravin
Pairing 3	John Cooper	v	*Bye*

You will also be also find the pairings and results in LMS: Rounds | ECF League Management System

U1950 Trophy

Please refer to the HERCA Rules, which can be found under Player Resources on the Competitions page on the HERCA website: https://hullchess.com/competitions/

Players entered:

Andrew Bettley	Joe Catto
Benedikt Pitel	John Scotter
Bryan Hesler	Keith Thompson
Colin Hailstone	Kieran Hooton
Daniel Komolafe	Neil Hambly
David Atkin	Paul Allison
David Kirlew-Morris	Sean Smith
Dominik Pitel	Steve Crow
Hussam Al Haidar	Stuart Sharp

Qualifying Round Draw (1st September 2026 – 16th October 2026)

QR1	Bryan Hesler	V	John Scotter
QR2	Kieran Hooton	v	Daniel Komolafe

Round One Draw (1st September 2026 – 27th November 2026)

1	Andrew Bettley	v	Keith Thompson
2	Dominik Pitel	v	David Atkin
3	Winner QR1	v	Paul Allison
4	David Kirlew-Morris	v	Stuart Sharp
5	Hussam Al Haidar	v	Benedikt Pitel
6	Colin Hailstone	v	Sean Smith
7	Winner QR2	v	Joe Catto
8	Neil Hambly		Steve Crow

Quarter-Final Draw (30th November 2026 – 29th January 2027)

Q/F 1	Winner of 2	v	Winner of 3
Q/F 2	Winner of 8	v	Winner of 5
Q/F 3	Winner of 1	v	Winner of 7
Q/F 4	Winner of 4	v	Winner of 6

Semi-Final Draw (1st February 2027 – 2nd April 2027)

S/F 1	Winner of Q/F 1	v	Winner of Q/F 2
S/F 2	Winner of Q/F 3	v	Winner of Q/F 4

Final to be played by 31st May 2027 (hopefully on “Finals Day”)

	v	

You will also be also find the pairings and results in LMS:
Rounds | ECF League Management System

U1650 Trophy

Please refer to the HERCA Rules, which can be found under Player Resources on the Competitions page on the HERCA website: https://hullchess.com/competitions/

Players entered:

Charles Clayton	Joster Li
Daniel Komolafe	Kieran Hooton
Darren Tomlinson	Mark Schofield
David Atkin	Mike Pollard
David Kirlew-Morris	Neil Hambly
Eric Fisher	Peter Owst
John Scotter	Sean Smith
Jordan Goodwin	Shaun Moody

Round One Draw (1st September 2026 – 27th November 2026)

1	Kieran Hooton	v	Darren Tomlinson
2	Mark Schofield	v	Joster Tsz Shing Li
3	Sean Smith	v	Eric Fisher
4	Mike Pollard	v	David Kirlew-Morris
5	Peter Owst	v	Neil Hambly
6	Charles Clayton	v	John Scotter
7	David Atkin	v	Daniel Komolafe
8	Shaun Moody	v	Jordan Goodwin

Quarter-Final Draw (30th November 2026 – 29th January 2027)

Q/F 1	Winner of 5	v	Winner of 8
Q/F 2	Winner of 7	v	Winner of 4
Q/F 3	Winner of 3	v	Winner of 2
Q/F 4	Winner of 1	v	Winner of 6

Semi-Final Draw (1st February 2027 – 2nd April 2027)

S/F 1	Winner of Q/F 1	v	Winner of Q/F 2
S/F 2	Winner of Q/F 3	v	Winner of Q/F 4

Final to be played by 31st May 2027 (hopefully on “Finals Day”)

	v	

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Peter Hughes Trophy

This tournament runs once every two years. The next time it will take place is April 2027.
All players 1800 or higher in the HERCA August rating list will be invited to play in the Peter Hughes Championship. This is a 1-day Rapid Tournament
Please refer to the HERCA Rules, which can be found under Player Resources on the Competitions page on the HERCA website: https://hullchess.com/competitions/ .

Yorkshire Chess Association

The Venue for Yorkshire league home games is: St. Nicholas Community Centre, Holme Church Lane, Beverley. HU17 0PY

The Match Captain is Douglas Vleeshhouwer. ☎: 07481 696111. ✉: douglas.vleeshhouwer@gmail.com.

Woodhouse Cup				
Round	**Date**	**Competition**	**Home**	**Away**
1	12/09/2026	Woodhouse Cup	Sheffield A	Hull & East Riding A
2	03/10/2026	Woodhouse Cup	Hull & East Riding A	York A
3	31/10/2026	Woodhouse Cup	Hull & East Riding A	Bradford A
4	14/11/2026	Woodhouse Cup	Harrogate A	Hull & East Riding A
5	12/12/2026	Woodhouse Cup	Ilkley Dragons	Hull & East Riding A
6	09/01/2027	Woodhouse Cup	Rose Forgrove A	Hull & East Riding A
7	06/02/2027	Woodhouse Cup	Hull & East Riding A	Huddersfield & District A
8	13/03/2027	Woodhouse Cup	Doncaster A	Hull & East Riding A
9	24/04/2027	Woodhouse Cup	Hull & East Riding A	Leeds A

IM Brown				
Round	**Date**	**Competition**	**Home**	**Away**
1	12/09/2026	IM Brown	Sheffield B	Hull & East Riding B
2	03/10/2026	IM Brown	Hull & East Riding B	Huddersfield & District B
3	31/10/2026	IM Brown	Hull & East Riding B	Calderdale A
4	14/11/2026	IM Brown	Harrogate B	Hull & East Riding B
5	12/12/2026	IM Brown	Meltham & Denby Dale A	Hull & East Riding B
6	09/01/2027	IM Brown	Calderdale B	Hull & East Riding B
7	06/02/2027	IM Brown	Hull & East Riding B	Ilkley Knights
8	13/03/2027	IM Brown	Leeds B	Hull & East Riding B
9	24/04/2027	IM Brown	Hull & East Riding B	York B

Silver Rook				
Round	**Date**	**Competition**	**Home**	**Away**
1	12/09/2026	AG Sunderland	Wakefield	Hull & East Riding C
2	03/10/2026	AG Sunderland	Leeds C	Hull & East Riding C
3	31/10/2026	AG Sunderland	Pontefract	Hull & East Riding C
4	14/11/2026	AG Sunderland	Hull & East Riding C	Bradford B
5	12/12/2026	AG Sunderland	Hull & East Riding C	Ilkley Scorpions
6	09/01/2027	AG Sunderland	Rose Forgrove B	Hull & East Riding C
7	06/02/2027	AG Sunderland	Hull & East Riding C	Meltham & Denby Dale B
8	13/03/2027	AG Sunderland	Hull & East Riding C	York C
9	24/04/2027	AG Sunderland	Hull & East Riding C	Barnsley

4NCL Team Competition

There will be no HERCA team competing in the 2026-2027 4NCL Team Competition.

HERCA (ESTIMATED) RATING LIST

The HERCA Estimated rating list can be found under Player Resources on the Competitions page on the HERCA website: https://hullchess.com/estimated-player-ratings/

EVENTS: 2026-2027

The events listed here are open to all HERCA players (unless there are restrictions, such as for junior events); some still require further information. Further information, particularly where events are not yet confirmed will be distributed to everyone in due course.

Event/Competition	Dates
Six and four Board leagues, U1950, U1650, Junior, Atkinson & Ross Trophies/Cups	1st September 2026 – 31st May 2027
Yorkshire League matches	1st September 2026 – 24th April 2027
Hull Chess Congress:	Friday 25 – Sunday 27 September 2026, University of Hull
Individual Rapid Play	Sunday 3rd January 2027
Peter Hughes Championship	Saturday 17th April 2027
Junior Rapid Play Championship	Date tbc, venue tbc
MH Brown Summer League	1st June 2027 – 31st August 2027
HERCA AGM	Date tbc, venue tbc
Team Lightning and presentation	Date tbc, venue tbc
Saturday Morning Chess Club	Hull Central Library, Saturdays, 10.30-12.30, for players of all ages.

For the complete list of HERCA events and external competitions HERCA is involved in, please go to: https://hullchess.com/calendar/

Change History

Version	Date	Author	Changes
1.0	25/08/2026	David Atkin	Initial Issue
2.0	01/09/2026	David Atkin	- Added Telephone number for Mark Robinson - Updated St Andrews Venue and Remove old players - Captain updated for Hull Futures 2 (Removed S Sharp and added J Cooper) - Dates altered on cup rounds - Added missing game (8) to U1650 tournament
3.0	02/09/2026 to 28/09/2026	David Atkin	- Added Kris Blackburn to Hull U and Hull D - Added Jack Walker to Hull U - Added Maharnab Choudhury to Hull Futures 2 - Re-registered David Stothard to Hull MONDAY (Not been played yet)
4.0	27/10/2026	David Atkin	- Added Players to Victoria Dock roster - Corrected minor inconsistencies such as spellings and old links