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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 McMillen, 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).

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); Spratt, G R (2001); Thomson, T (1999); Watson J (1999); Wickens, T S (1988).

SCCA Master 35xSM

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); Stewart, D J (1998).

[Note that GM, SIM and IM title holders are also included as SCCA Masters]

Correspondence Chess Master 7xCCEM

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:
 - (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.
 - 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+

2476 Beecham, C R (SIM); 2453 Matheis, T (IM); 2453 Murden, C (IM); 2426 Bell, A D (CCM, SM); 2423 Mackintosh, I (SIM).

2300+

2377 2382 Blake, M J (CCM); 2380 Bennett, P G (CCM, SM); 2367 Sneddon, I (CCM); 2353 Paine, Prof K A (SM); 2349 Anderson, G M (CCM, SM); 2323 Lloyd, G (CCM, SM); 2311 Cumming, D R (CCM, SM).

2200+

2291 Beveridge, C (CCE); 2267 Buchan, A W (CCE); 2255 Montgomery, R S (CCE); 2238 Kilgour, D A (GM); 2207 Borwell, A P (IM).

2100+

2192 Dawson Prof A G (CCE); 2152 Smith, M J; 2138 Whittaker, I P; 2103 Almarza Mato, C.

Main Grading List

<i>A</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>
317	Almarza Mato, C				1959	2103	
518	Anderson, G M (CCM, SM)				341	2349	
121	Anderson, J				302	1941	
313	Armstrong, J McK				453	1523	

<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)				480	2476	
599	Bell, A D (CCM, SM)				257	2426	
501	Bennett, P G (CCM, SM)				486	2380	
481	Beveridge, C (CCE)				582	2291	
472	Blake, M J (CCM)				884	2382	
509	Borwell, A P (IM)				1096	2207	
486	Buchan, A W (CCE)				114	2267	
602	Burridge, R J				1605	2083	

<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>
	Clark, S L				292	1836	
247	Cormack, W H				115	1894	
166	Cumming, D R (CCM, SM)				1827	2311	

<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)				170	2192	
478	Dunn, J				420	1557	

<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				306	1923	

<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				250	1710	

<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				1663	1129	

<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				113	1391	
548	Kilgour, D A (GM)				351	2238	
260	Knox, A				398	1404	

<i>L</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>
264	Lloyd, G (CCM, SM)				999	2323	

<i>Mac-Mc</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>
	MacDonald, M				56	1389	
584	MacGregor, C A				449td>	1864	
532	Mackintosh, I (SIM)				788	2423	
216	MacMillen, A N				1405	1584	

<i>M</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>
485	Major, B				30	1235	
566	Marshall, I H				817	1967	
434	Matheis, T (IM)				258	2453	
	Miles, A				66	1438	
401	Moir, P J				205	1507	
598	Montgomery, R S (CCE)				318	2255	
474	Murden, C (IM)				611	2453	
564	Murray, J S				87	2012	

<i>N</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>
440	Neil, C				342	1338	
453	Newton, A				30	1774	

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603	O'Neill-McAleenan, C				184	1874	

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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 (SM)				228	2353	
	Pettigrew, S				165	1375	
432	Price, D				462	1878	

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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>
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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>
477	Sedstrem, A				106	1425	
439	Smith, M J				104	2152	
057	Sneddon, I (CCM)				366	2367	

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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>
605	Taylor, W				136	2068	

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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>
484	van Stratum, T				31	1374	

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				151	2138	
487	Wicht, I P				30	1898	

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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>
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