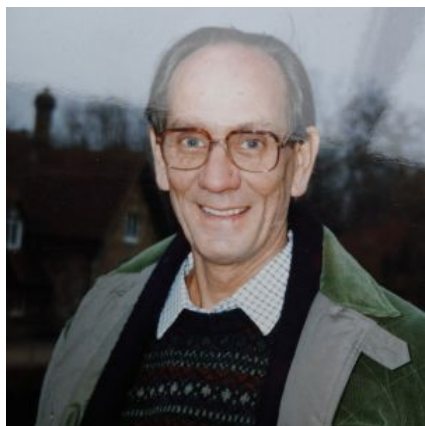


ROY CREAMER R.I.P.

We were sorry to hear of the recent death in January 2026 of Roy Creamer at the grand age of 95. He and his two young sons were Charlton club members fifty years ago and, although they all moved on to other things, he maintained his interest in chess to the end.

His wish was that his collection of chess books, fine wooden chess sets, chess clock and chess computers should be donated to the club, it was all brought along by son Richard who caught up with old friends Alan and Gary during his visit.



HM PRISON VISIT

Six Charlton players visited a local SE London young offenders prison (HMP Isis) in September for a friendly match with the inmates. This was intended to prepare the HMP Isis team for the 2025 FIDE World Prison Chess Championship, the Charlton visitors then analysed the games with their opponents afterwards.

The championship was played online from 14th to 16th October 2025 with 135 teams from 57 countries.

Charlton's visit must have helped! The HMP Isis team, representing England, qualified for the Youth final on 16th October 2025 and finished in second place to Iran! [Full report](#)

YAS QUEEN! VISIT

On a late summer night, 18th August 2025, Charlton Chess Club welcomed the newest members of the London League for an evening of friendly games.

Yas Queen! is a women-led club empowering players of all genders who feel underrepresented in traditional chess clubs. Despite being a young organisation they have an active member base, many of whom visited us for this event.

Altogether 28 players participated in 3 rounds of rapid play, with Charlton ahead at the close. We're excited to see this diverse group in the London League!