# APCC for Coaches COURSE OUTLINE



# **Course Pre-requisites**

You do not need to be an expert in Chess for the APCC for Coaches Course. You will need to understand the basic rules of Chess. After you register, you will need to do some preparation for the practical aspects of the course.

### **Course Structure**

The APCC for Coaches comprises of both practical and theoretical aspects. The practical component involves students presenting sample lessons. Throughout the course students will be given ongoing feedback to help improve their presentation and class management skills.

# **Course Topics**

The theoretical component covers the following topic areas in depth.

- 1. Becoming an APCC
- 2. Chess in New Zealand
- 3. Benefits of Chess
- 4. Why do Children Enjoy Chess
- 5. Skills Required to Play Chess
- 6. Structure of a Chess Lesson
- 7. Introduction to a Lesson
- 8. Topic and Material
- 9. The 5 Most Important Areas of Skills
- 10. Difference Between Tactics and Strategy
- 11. Forcing Moves
- 12. Chess Tactics
- 13. Tournament Games, arbitration and adjudication
- 14. Alternative Lessons
- 15. Preparing from a Syllabus
- 16. Planning and Goals

- 17. Equipment and Presentation
- 18. Communication
- 19. Classroom Management Strategies
- 20. Positive Statements
- 21. Beginning and Ending Lessons
- 22. Group Management
- 23. Safety and Legal Responsibilities
- 24. Role of the Coach

### **Course Materials**

A workbook will be provided as you go through the Course Topics.

At the conclusion of the course all participants will receive a computer CD with a rich library of resources that they can use freely for their own personal use.

# **Becoming a Chess Coach**

Once you have completed the APCC for Coaches Course you will be in a good position to undertake coaching. Chess Power works with a number of schools and educational institutions. Subject to you having the capability, Chess could actively support you gaining access to classes.

# **Register Today**

Details of upcoming APCC events is available online at <a href="http://www.chesspower.co.nz/apcc">http://www.chesspower.co.nz/apcc</a> events.html.

Register today and take your first step to becoming a Chess Coach!