Estonian Sports Association Kalev's XXII International

PAUL KERES MEMORIAL in Rapid Chess



ORGANIZERS

Main Organizer: ESA Kalev.

Supporters: the city of Tallinn, The Estonian Chess Support Organization, Cultural Endowment of Estonia, The Council Of Gambling Tax of Estonia.

TIME AND LOCATION

From January 11 to 13, 2013 at Sokos Hotel Viru (4 Viru Square, Tallinn, Estonia).

THE PRELIMINARY TOURNAMENT will be a Swiss system 7-round rapid chess (15+15 minutes + a 5-second increment) tournament in one group.

Tie-breaking: Buchholz method (the sum of the final scores of the opponents). For further tie-breaking, the score of the weakiest opponent will be eliminated from the overall Buchholz score, after that the scores of the two weakiest opponents and so on.

The preliminary tournament belongs to the yearly series of rapid chess events organized by the The Estonian Chess Support Organization.

THE MAIN TOURNAMENT will be a 9-round rapid chess (15+15 minutes + a 10-second increment) round-robin tournament. 5 participants will gain the entrance from the preliminary tournament, 3 will be personally invited from abroad and 2 from Estonia. **Tie-breaking:** Berger system.

PARTICIPANTS

Up to 150 players with a FIDE rating or an Estonian rapid chess rating above 1700 can participate (players of lower rating will be allowed to fill vacant places).

Players of International Grandmaster (GM, WGM) and International Master (IM, WIM) rank will be exempt from fee. Free lodgings are available for a limited number of International Grandmasters with FIDE rating 2500 or more (please contact the organizers as soon as possible).

REGULATIONS

For the initial ranking list, the highest of two applicable ratings (FIDE or Estonian rapid chess rating) will be used. Equally rated players will be placed in alphabetical order.

Electronic devices, such as switched-on mobile phones or any other devices found unacceptable by the Main Referee, are strictly forbidden from the playing area. Any noise by such a device may result in loss of the current game, depending on circumstances. In such a case, the opponent will be awarded a point if winning the game by any series of legal moves is possible or half a point if not. **Being late for more than 5 minutes will result in the loss of the game.**





The final tournament will be played according to the FIDE Competition Rules for conventional (NOT rapid chess) time control.

AWARDS

Preliminary Tournament

1st place: 250 €; 2nd place: 200 €; 3rd place: 150 €; 4th place: 100 €, 5th place: 100 €. Best Lady: 100 €.

Best Senior (born in 1953 or earlier): 100 €.

Best Young Player (born in 1995 or later): 100 €.

Main Tournament

1st place: 800 €; 2nd place: 550 €; 3rd place: 400 €; 4th place: 300 €, 5th place: 200 €. No awards will be shared. Nobody will receive more than one award.

REGISTRATION

By e-mail info@eestikalev.ee (please include participant's name, year of birth and rating). Entry fee is 15 € until January 7th 2013, 20 € later. Entry fee for players born in 1995 or later and 1953 or earlier is 10€.

The entry fee can be paid to SEB bank, account number 10022002657005,

IBAN code EE641010022002657005 or to Swedbank, account number 221001173980, IBAN code EE252200221001173980, SWIFT code HABAEE2X or to LHV Bank, account number 771000738096.

The owner of all these accounts is Estonian Sports Association Kalev.

International Grandmasters (GM, WGM), International Masters (IM, WIM) are exempt from the entry fee.

All registered players will have to pay the entry fee before the end of the registration. The registration will end on January 11, 2013, at 16.00. All players registering on January 11 2013 must submit a copy of the bank receipt before 15.00. It will be possible to pay in cash from 15.00 to 16.00 in the playing hall.

A check-in is required from ALL PLAYERS in the playing hall before 16.00 on January 11, 2013. Players who fail to do this will not be allowed to participate.

Additional information: Eesti Spordiseltsi Kalev, Pärnu mnt 41, 10119 Tallinn, tel/fax +372 6154280 or +372 5038806, e-mail: info@eestikalev.ee, http://www.eestikalev.ee/

ACCOMMODATION

All participants are welcome to the Sokos Hotel Viru rooms for reduced prices (a single room 50 \in , a double room 60 \in). Please contact the organizers to reserve a room.

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TIME SCHEDULE

PRELIMINARY TOURNAMENT

 Friday, January 11

 16.30
 Opening ceremony, award ceremony of BEKO series 2012.

 17.00-17.50
 Round 1

 18.00-18.50
 Round 2

 19.00-19.50
 Round 3

 20.00-20.50
 Round 4

Saturday, January 12

10.00-10.50 Round 5 11.00-11.50 Round 6 12.00-12.50 Round 7 The awarding ceremony of the preliminary tournament will take place immediately after the last round.

MAIN TOURNAMENT

Saturday, January 12

15.30 Opening ceremony, determining the starting order of participants.
16.00-16.50 Round 1
17.00-17.50 Round 2
18.00-18.50 Round 3
19.00-19.50 Round 4

Sunday, January 13

10.00-10.50 Round 5 11.00-11.50 Round 6 12.00-12.50 Round 7 13.00-13.50 Round 8 14.00-14.50 Round 9 15.00 Awarding Ceremony.

