

Vladimir Petrov Memorial
Jurmala, Latvia
March 7-8, 2015

Latvia Chess federation has a pleasure to announce the 4th Vladimir Petrov memorial. The aim of the tournament is to pay the tribute to one of the brightest representatives of Latvian Chess ever who tragically died in Soviet camps during the Second World War. The tournament will be supported by the family of Vladimir Petrov among others. It will be held at the Jurmala City museum located at Tirgoņu iela 29, Majori, Jurmala, Latvia.

The festival will feature leading Latvian grandmasters as well as a few strong grandmasters (such as Ivanchuk, Karjakin, Mamedyarov, Morozevich, Tomashevsky, Rapport and so on) and chess lovers from all around the world.

The tournament will be held in three groups A, B and C:

Tournament A is 11 round Swiss with the time control 15 minutes for each player plus 6 seconds increment for each move. First round on 7th of March 2015 at 15.00 (end of registration at 14.30), further round schedule as follows: 2nd - 15.55 3rd - 16.50 4th- 17.45 5th - 18.40 , 6th round on 8th of March at 11.00 , 7th - 11.55 8th - 12.50 9th - 15.00 10th - 15.55 , 11th round at 16.50 . Closing ceremony at 18.30 .

The total prize fund is 14000 EUR.

1. 1420 (~1000 LVL) 2. 1200 3. 1000
4. 800 5. 700 6. 600 7. 550 8. 500 9.450 10. 400 11. 350 12. 300 13-14. 250 15-19. 200 20-26. 150 EUR.

Best Latvian players: 1. 350 2. 250 3. 180 4. 150 EUR.

Best females 1. 250 2. 200 3. 150 4. 100 EUR.

Best veterans (+50) 1. 200 2. 150 EUR.

Prizes in different categories: 1 prize of 150 EUR in each category. The categories are: Best veterans (+60 and +70), best junior, best Latvian regional player, best non-EU player, best in rating categories: <2100 ; 2100-2349; 2350 -2549.

The prizes are not shared, the participant may get only one prize.

The entry fees are according to the participants' international rapid (or classical in case of absence of rapid) ratings (**tournament A**):

< 1700	80 EUR
1700-1799	70 EUR
1800-1899	60 EUR
1900-1999	50 EUR
2000-2099	40 EUR
2100-2199	30 EUR
2200-2299	25 EUR
2300- 2349	20 EUR
2350- 2399	15 EUR
2400- 2549	10 EUR

Women, players born not before 1995 or not after 1955 pay 80% of those fees.

Players born not before 2001, IM, WGM pay 60% of those fees.

GM, players with rapid rating 2550 and higher (2350 and higher for females) - free.

The list of players is being updated at <http://chess-results.com/tnr152848.aspx?lan=11>

Tournament B is reserved mainly for players rated 1800-2349. Swiss system, 10 rounds. Games will start at the same time as in tournament A. First round is on 7th of March at 15.00 (registration ends at 14.30), last round is on 8th of March at 15.55. Time control is 14 minutes plus 5 seconds per move. The prize fund will be 80% of all entry fees.

The entry fees are according to the participants' international rapid (or classical in case of absence of rapid) ratings (**tournament B**):

1800-2349 - 15 EUR

1750-1799 - 20 EUR

1700-1749 - 25 EUR

1650-1699 - 30 EUR

<1650 40 EUR

Women, players born not before 1995 or after 1955 pay 80% of those fees.

Players born not before 2001, GM, IM, WGM pay 60% of those fees.

Tournament C is reserved for players rated less than 1800. Games will be played March 7-8th at the same schedule as the tournament B. Time control is 14 minutes plus 5 seconds per move; Swiss system; 10 rounds. The prize fund will be 75% of all entry fees. The entry fee is 15 Euros. Women, players born in 1995 or younger and players born in 1955 or older pay 12 Euros. Children born in 2001 or younger pay 9 Euros.

The Blitz Tournament will be held March 6 at 16:50 in the Amber Beach resort (Jaunkemeri). The time control is 3 minutes plus 3 seconds for each move starting with the first move; 10 rounds.

Prize fund 1700 Euros:

1. 300. 2. 250 EUR 3. 200 EUR 4. 150 EUR 5-7. 100 EUR 8-12. 50 EUR, prize fund in different categories - 250 EUR.

Entry fee is 12 Euros. Women and players under age 20 and over age 60 or players with blitz rating above 2400 pay 8 Euros. IMs, WGMs, children born in 2001 or younger pay 6 Euros. GMs, players rated above 2500 (2325 for women) play for free.

The organizers recommend accommodation at the 3* hotel "Jomas Seta" <http://www.semarahhotels.com> which is located at heart of Jurmala 5-7 minutes walk from the playing hall. Single room - EUR 43, double or twin - EUR 48 per night. The rates include breakfast. Those who come by car may choose to stay in a bigger Lielupe hotel (also member of Semarah hotels) located about 4 km from the playing hall. For the same prices as in "Jomas Seta" one can get 4* accommodation with breakfast and access to the indoor swimming pool. The hotel also has the indoor tennis court.

Other available hotels: please contact organizers if you want to get better rates than ones available on the internet.

Pegasa Pils Spa hotel, located 30 meters from the famous Dzintari concert hall. Jugendstil architecture. Room rates from EUR 60 per night for double or twin accommodation with breakfast. More info about the hotel at: www.pegasapils.com

Registration and reservation requests should be directed to

the chief arbiter of Vladimir Petrov memorial Alberts Cimins at alberts.cimins@inbox.lv, telephone +37128804664 until 3rd of March 2015 the latest. Players registered in any event after 3rd of March would pay 50% extra of their entry fees.

Alexei Shirov, the tournament director. Riga, 27.01.2015