



2nd Rõuge Rapid Chess Tournament „Rõuge Chess Open 2012“

Open Rapid Chess Championship of Võrumaa County 2012

Will take place on September 22, 2012 at the Rõuge School, 14 Haanja Rd., Rõuge, Võrumaa, Estonia (see www.rouge.edu.ee).

The event is part of the yearly BEKO series, organized and sponsored by Estonian Chess Support Organization (see <http://www.eestimale.ee/sari2012/>) together with the Rõuge Municipality, the Rõuge School, the Võrumaa Sports Union, the Võrumaa County Administration and the Võru Chess Club.

Participation is open to all chess friends. The organizers reserve the right to limit the number of participants to 120.

Tournament System. 8 rounds will be played by the Swiss pairing system with 15 minutes and 5 additional seconds for each move for each player. All games will be played according to the FIDE rules. A failure to reach the right chess table in 7 minutes from the beginning of the round (that is, from the public announcement of the pairings) will result in the loss of the game. The tie will be broken by the Buchholz method, leaving out as many weaker opponents as needed to break the tie.

Approximate Timetable

10.00 – 10.55: Registration

11.00 – 11.10: Opening Ceremony

11.10 – 14 00: First 4 rounds

Lunch break

14:30 – 17:30: Last 4 rounds

Closing ceremony 5 minutes after the last round.

The exact time of the rounds and the lunch break will depend on the duration of previous rounds and might be subject to change. To avoid misunderstandings, please feel free to consult the organizers if needed.

Prizes

1st place – 135 EUR

2nd place – 115 EUR

3rd place – 95 EUR

4th place – 75 EUR

6th place – 30 EUR

7th place – 20 EUR

Best Ladies – 25 EUR, 2nd place 15 EUR

Best Seniors (born in 1952 or earlier) – 25 EUR, 2nd place 15 EUR

Best Foreign Players – 1st place 25 EUR, 2nd place 20 EUR, 3rd place 15 EUR.

Special prizes for 3 best Võrumaa players, 3 best young players (born in 1994 or younger) and the best players with ratings below 2200, 2000 and 1800.



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No participant will receive more than one prize. The organizers reserve the right to set up larger or additional prizes compared to those specified in this bulletin.

The general participation fee is 7 Euros and 5 Euros for Võrumaa players. The participation is free for GMs, WGMs, IMs and WIMs. The fee for players not registered in advance is 10 Euros. The organizers reserve the right to disallow participation of these players. **Free refreshments** will be available at the site.

The organizers offer **bus transport from Tallinn to Rõuge and back** the previous evening and after the closing ceremony. The transport cost is 17 Euros. **Bed and breakfast** is available at Udumäe Puhketalu (see www.udumae.ee) for 15 Euros. Please let us know before September 19 if you need any of these services.

The participants are requested to **register in advance** before 12:00 on Sept 21 2012, preferably by e-mail malegold7@gmail.com or alternatively, by phone +372 585 33653. Please be sure to include the full name and the year of birth of the participant.