

The 18th International rapid chess tournament PAUL KERES MEMORIAL

January 4. – 6. 2008 Tallinn, Pärnu Rd. 41, Estonia

Regulation

The tournament consists of two stages

PRELIMINARY TOURNAMENT is a rapid one. 15 + 15 min and 10 additional seconds per move, in seven rounds according to the Swiss system.

The competition will be divided according to the rating into groups A and B. If results in the Preliminary Tournament are equal, the sum of points after every round is considered. If the sum is equal, the results of 1st, 2nd a.s.o rounds are excluded.

MEN `S MAIN TOURNAMENT (15 min + 15 min and 10 additional seconds per move) is played by 6 best players from group A, 3 players invited directly to Main Tournament and the best Estonian player.

WOMEN `S MAIN TOURNAMENT is played by 4 best players of group A of Preliminary Tournament, 3 players invited directly to the Main Tournament and best Estonian player.

MAIN TOURNAMENT `S are held according to the round robin system. The main prize of object will be given to the winner of the additional 10 minute competition.

Participants

Up to 136 participants with the rating of 2000 and more will be permitted to participate, in case of vacancies also with lower rating.

Participation is free for IM – s and GM- s.

GM – s accommodation will be paid by organizers.

Prizes

The winner will be awarded with prize of	15 000 EEK
2nd place	12 500 EEK
3rd place	10 000 EEK
4th place	7 500 EEK
5th place	5 000 EEK

The best six man of Preliminary Tournament will be awarded with a prize of 2 500 EEK.

The best female player will be awarded with prize of	7 000 EEK
2nd place	5 000 EEK
3rd place	3 000 EEK
4th place	2 000 EEK

The best female player of Preliminary Tournament will be awarded with a prize of 2 000 EEK.

The best veteran (born 1948 and earlier) from Estonia will be awarded with a prize of 1 500 EEK.

The best junior (born 1990 and later) gets a prize of 1 500 EEK

Group B 1st place	2 000 EEK
2nd place	1 500 EEK
3rd place	1 000 EEK

In case of equal points the monetary prizes of preliminary and main tournament will be divided.

Registration

With participation fee 200 EEK till December 23th 2007, from December 24th 2007 – 400 EEK at Estonian Sports Association Kalev 41 Pärnu RD, 10 119 Tallinn

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Participation fee can be paid to:

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Account holder: EESTI SPORDISELTS KALEV

IBAN code: EE641010022002657005

Account nr: 10022002657005.

or

Bank: HANSAPANK, Liivalaia 8

Account holder: EESTI SPORDISELTS KALEV

IBAN code: EE252200221001173980

SWIFT: HABAE2X

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Registration deadline – January 4th 2008 at 16.00.

All participants must give their accreditation cards (will be issued Pärnu rd 41, II floor, room 10) personally to Secretary General for pairings before 16.00.

Schedule

Preliminary Tournament

Friday, January 4th

16.30 *Opening ceremony*

17.30 – 18.20 1st round

18.35 – 19.25 2nd round

19.40 – 20.30 3rd round

20.45 – 21.35 4th round

Saturday, January 5th

10.00 *Laying wreath to Keres*

Memorial

10.30 – 11.20 5th round

11.35 – 12.25 6th round

12.40 – 13.30 7th round

14.00 *Closing of Preliminary Tournament
and drawing of the main
tournament*

Main Tournament

Saturday, January 5th

MW 17.00 – 17.50

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MW 19.00 – 19.50

M 20.00 – 20.50

Sunday, January 6th

M 10.00 – 10.50

MW 11.00 – 11.50

MW 12.00 – 12.50

MW 13.00 – 14.50

MW 14.00 – 14.50

15.15 *Closing ceremony*