



29th Keres Memorial Rapid Chess Tournament

“Remembering Paul Keres”

10. – 12.01.2020



ORGANIZERS

Estonian Sports Association Kalev is organizing the 29th Keres Memorial Tournament. Organization of tournament is supported also by Estonian Chess Federation, Estonian Culture Ministry, City of Tallinn and sponsors.

PURPOSE

January 7, 2020 will be the 104th birthday of chess grandmaster Paul Keres who was named the Estonian Sportsman of the 20th Century. This tournament celebrates the birthday of one of the greatest chess players of all time. Paul Keres was member of Sports Association KALEV and honorary member since 1964. This tournament has been organized to keep the memory of Paul Keres alive and bring more youth to the game of chess.

TIME & VENUE

The competition will be held from 10th to 12th of January, 2020 in Tallinn, at the Original Sokos Hotel Viru conference halls. Hotel is located at Viru Väljak 4, Tallinn, Estonia. For more information visit <https://www.sokoshotels.fi/en/tallinn/sokos-hotel-viru>

SCHEDULE

10.01.2020

16.00 – 21.00 Arrival and registration of participants
18.00 – 21.00 Blitz tournament

11.01.2020

09.00 – 10.30 Arrival and registration of participants, pairing
10.45 – 11.00 Opening Ceremony
11.00 – 12.00 I round
12.00 – 13.00 II round
13.00 – 14.00 III round
14.00 – 15.00 Lunch break
15.00 – 16.00 IV round
16.00 – 17.00 V round
17.00 – 18.00 VI round
18.00 – 19.00 VII round

12.01.2020

10.00 – 11.00 VIII round
11.00 – 12.00 IX round
12.00 – 13.00 X round
13.00 – 14.00 XI round

14.30 Awards Ceremony

SYSTEM AND RATE OF PLAY

The competition will be organized in 11-round Swiss system, in accordance with the FIDE Laws of Chess. The rate of play will be 15 + 15 minutes for the entire game with an increment of 5 seconds starting from move one. No zero tolerance will be used. Organizers reserve the right to check the players in accordance with FIDE Anti-cheating guidelines.

REGISTRATION

The competition is open to all players who have registered by January 06, 2020, at the latest, and have paid the participation fee to the bank account of Estonian Sports Association Kalev by that date.

SEB Pank; Account number EE641010022002657005, SWIFT code EEUHEE2X;

Swedbank; Account number EE252200221001173980, SWIFT code HABAE2X;

LHV Pank; Account number EE247700771000738096, SWIFT code LHVBE22.

Recipient Name: Eesti Spordiselts Kalev (Estonian Sports Association Kalev)

Explanation: Keres 2020 and the participant's name

The participation fee can also be paid by 20. december 2019 at the office of the Estonian Sports Association Kalev at the following address: Mustamäe tee 4, 2nd floor, room B204.

PARTICIPATION FEE

Blitz tournament

Participation fee 8eur;

GM Free

Rapid tournament

rating less than 1799 40 euros;

1800 - 1999 35 euros;

2000 – 2299 30 euros;

2300 - 2499 25 euros;

GM/WGM Free

There is a discount of 20% for women, seniors (born 1960 or earlier) and youth players (born 2002 or later). Estonian players have an additional discount of 10%. The discounts will apply if the players are registering by 06.01.2020. The participation fee is based on the FIDE rapid rating (if a player does not have the rapid rating, FIDE standard rating will be used).

Late payments after 07.01.2020 and cash payments before the start of the tournament will be at extra fee of 10 euros and discounts don't apply. Participants will be registered in tournament's list after the payment is confirmed.

TIE-BREAKS

- 1) M-Buchholtz with the lowest scoring opponent's score discarded;
- 2) Buchholtz with the 2 lowest scoring opponents' scores discarded;
- 3) Direct Encounter.

Prizes will be split according to the Hort system.

PRIZES

All players will compete for the general prize fund of 6000 euros.

Blitz tournament Prizes:

I place	150 euros
II place	100 euros
III place	60 euros
IV place	50 euros

Blitz tournament Special Prizes

Best Woman	I place	40 euros
Best Young player:	I place	40 euros
Best Senior player:	I place	40 euros

General Prizes:

I place	- 1400 euros
II place	- 1000 euros
III place	- 600 euros
IV place	- 400 euros
V place	- 300 euros
VI place	- 200 euros
7 th - 8 th places	- 150 euros
9 th - 12 th places	- 120 euros

Special Prizes

Estonian Players:	I place – 120 euros; II place – 80 euros; III place – 40 euros;
Open (born 2002 or later)	I place – 100 euros; II place – 60 euros; III place – 40 euros;
Girls (born 2002 or later)	I place – 100 euros; II place – 60 euros; III place – 40 euros;
Women:	I place– 100 euros;
Seniors (born 1960 or earlier):	I place – 100 euros;

No player will be awarded more than one general prize. Award money is subject to Estonian income taxes, 10% of income tax for non-residents.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS FOR GRANDMASTERS

The official hotel of the tournament will be the Original Sokos Hotel Viru, Tallinn (<https://www.sokoshotels.fi/en/tallinn/sokos-hotel-viru>). There will be a limited number of a two-days accommodations provided free for Grandmasters according to their ratings, geographical diversity and registration time. Inquiries about GM accommodations, please contact Aleksander Tammert (keres@eestikalev.ee)

ACCOMMODATION

The organizers offer to all participants accommodation at discount price, who have registered on time at the official hotel of the tournament- 4****Original Sokos Hotel Viru. Participants can book their hotel stays from 9th to 13th of January.

Single room – 68 EUR/per night*

Double room – 74 EUR/per night*

*Includes buffet breakfast and tickets to night club “Café Amigo” (except special events)

Please send accommodation requests by 31.12.2019 at: keres@eestikalev.ee and final payments for accommodation by 06.01.2020.

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