

# 28<sup>th</sup> Keres Memorial Rapid Chess Tournament

## “Remembering Paul Keres”

### 11. – 13.01.2019

#### **ORGANIZERS**

Estonian Sports Association Kalev is organizing the 28<sup>th</sup> Keres Memorial Tournament. Estonian Chess Federation, the Cultural Endowment of Estonia, City of Tallinn and sponsors support the organization of tournament.

#### **PURPOSE**

January 7, 2019 will be the 103<sup>rd</sup> birthday of chess grandmaster Paul Keres who was elected the Estonian Sportsman of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century. This tournament celebrates the birthday of one of the greatest chess players of all time. Paul Keres was member of ESA Kalev and honorary member since 1964. ESA Kalev has organized the tournament 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 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> of January, 2019 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**

##### 11.01.2019

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

##### 12.01.2019

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

##### 13.01.2019

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 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 07, 2019, 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 2019 and the participant's name

The participation fee can also be paid by 21. december 2018 at the office of the Estonian Sports Association Kalev at the following address: Mustamäe tee 4, 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 1959 or earlier) and youth players (born 2001 or later). Estonian players have an additional discount of 10%. The discounts will apply if the players are registering by 07.01.2019. 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 08.01.2019 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 5000 euros.

#### **Blitz tournament Prizes:**

I place 125 euros

II place 75 euros

III place 60 euros

IV place 50 euros

#### **Blitz tournament Special Prizes**

Best Woman I place 30 euros

Best Young player: I place 30 euros  
Best Senior player: I place 30 euros

#### General Prizes:

I place - 1200 euros  
II place - 800 euros  
III place - 500 euros  
IV place - 300 euros  
V place - 200 euros  
VI place - 170 euros  
7<sup>th</sup>- 8<sup>th</sup> places - 140 euros  
9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> places - 100 euros

#### Special Prizes

Estonian Players: I place– 120 euros; II place – 70 euros; III place – 40 euros;  
Open (born 2001 or later) I place – 90 euros; II place – 50 euros; III place – 30 euros;  
Girls (born 2001 or later) I place – 90 euros; II place – 50 euros; III place – 30 euros;  
Women: I place– 90 euros;  
Seniors (born 1959 or earlier): I place – 90 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](mailto:keres@eestikalev.ee))

#### **ACCOMMODATION**

The organizers offer to all participants, who have registered on time, accommodation at discount price at the official hotel of the competition - the 4\*\*\*\*Original Soks Hotel Viru. Participants can book their hotel stays from 10<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> of January. Accommodation requests by 27.12.2018 at: [keres@eestikalev.ee](mailto:keres@eestikalev.ee) and final payments for accommodation by 07.01.2019.

Hotel information and rates at: [www.eestikalev.ee/keres/majutus](http://www.eestikalev.ee/keres/majutus)

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