

Vadsø Chess Tournament, August 27th - 29th 2010

Vadsø Chess Club has the pleasure of inviting you to the 30 Year Anniversary Edition of The Vadsø Chess Tournament! The tournament is held at Rica Hotel Vadsø, counting as a part of The Norwegian Youth Hostels' Grand Prix 2010/11. Vadsø is a small town in the far north-east of Norway, situated by the Varanger Fjord, about 180 km from the Russian border.

All mentioned amounts are are given in NOK. (1 EURO ≈ 8 NOK)

In occasion of the tournament's 30 year anniversary we have stepped up the prize fund from last year's 10.000 to 45.500! A group of 10 players from Murmansk in Russia has been invited, thereof 2 IMs, like 3 Norwegian elite players.

Playing system:	5 rounds of the Norwegian Chess Federation Monrad system, 90 minutes / 40 moves + 30 minutes to finish. The tournament will be rated both internationally and nationally. The arbiter is IA (International Arbiter) Karl-Johan Rist, Alta Chess Club.
Playing fee:	Adults 600, juniors 400. To be paid cash on registration or in advance to account 1644.32.71787. Discount rates if paid before July 1 st : 500 / 300. No fee for GMs and IMs.
Classes / Prizes:	Players will be separated into 3 classes, with the following rating limits and prizes:

Class	ELO	Prizes
A	2000 +	1. 15.000 (+ trophy) 2. 5.000 3. 3.000 4.-10. 1.000 each
B	1500 - 1999	1. 5.000 (+ trophy) 2. 3.000 3. 1.500
C	0 - 1499	1. 3.000 (+ trophy) 2. 2.000 3. 1.000

According to the Norwegian Grand Prix system every player has the right to take part one class higher than his/her rating, but not lower. The B and C classes may be put together in one group, but the prizes will be given according to the rating classes. We guarantee that no money prize will be reduced.

On Saturday there will be a beginner's tournament for children. Prizes for all, no playing fee.

Schedule:

Friday August 27th 6.30-7.30 p.m. Registration 7.50 p.m. Opening Ceremony 8.00 p.m. 1st round	Saturday August 28th 10.00 a.m. -2.00 p.m 2nd round 4.00 - 8.00 p.m. 3rd round 9.00 p.m. – Festive dinner
Sunday August 29th 08.30 - <u>11.30</u> a.m. 4th round 12.00 p.m. - 5th round	Please note: Underlined times are approximate. The 5 th round will start 12.00 p.m. at the earliest, and there will be a 20 minutes break between the 4th and 5th round.

Accommodation:	We recommend the playing site Rica Hotel Vadsø, phone +47 78 95 52 50. To be booked a.s.a.p., and no later than 1 week before the tournament. A single room costs 740 per night, breakfast included, a double room 990, a triple room 1210. Please refer to the Vadsø Chess Club deal.
Travelling:	Both Norwegian and SAS fly from Oslo/Gardermoen to Kirkenes on Friday morning, with a further connection to Vadsø with Widerøes. If you find Widerøes too expensive: We will organize bus transportation Kirkenes-Vadsø for players arriving with SAS and Norwegian. Accordingly, bus Vadsø-Kirkenes for the SAS departure at 8.55 p.m. on Sunday. The ride takes about 2 hours, has to be booked in advance. Norwegian's departure is not until Monday morning. Here you get the chance to travel Vadsø-Kirkenes with the famous coastal steamer "Hurtigruten". Both airlines have good discount prizes, presently Norwegian charges 998 for the round trip, SAS 1557. Should be booked early!
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Welcome to Vadsø!