8th Lev Braschinsky Rapid Chess Memorial Tournament

The event will be organized by Viljandi CC Fellin together with The Estonian Chess Support Organization.

Time and Place

The event will take place in the March 17, 2018 in Paalalinna School, Paala tee 46, Viljandi, Estonia (buses 6 and 10). Free parking nearby.

Participants

Organizers reserve the right to limit the number of participants to 80 (eighty).

Tournament System

FIDE rules will be enforced. 8 rounds will be played with 15 minutes + 5 additional seconds for each move for each player, using Swiss pairing system.

All portable devices must be switched off or in silent mode in the playing area. Annoying noises by any such device might result in a loss of the game according to a decision by the main arbiter. If that happens, the opponent must have a mating potential on board to be awarded a full point, otherwise he will get a half-point.

Being late to a game for 7 minutes or more will result in a loss of the game and a full point will be awarded to the opponent.

Tie-breaking criteria: Buchholz method excluding as many weaker opponents as necessary to break the tie, starting with all opponents.

Main arbiter: Mr. Marek Kolk (IA).

Timetable

10:00-10:50 Check-in

11:00-11:10 Opening Ceremony

11:10-14:00 First 4 rounds

14:00-14:30 Lunch break. The organizers reserve the right to change the exact lunch time. Refreshments, coffee and tea will be offered in the playing area during the games.

14:30-17:20 Last 4 rounds

17:30-17:40 Closing Ceremony

Prizes

1st place: 150 EUR + Cup

2nd place: 100 EUR 3rd place: 80 EUR 4th place: 70 EUR 5th place: 60 EUR

Best lady: 30 EUR

Best young player (born in 2000 or younger): 30 EUR

Best senior (born in 1958 or elder): 30 EUR

Best local player: 30 EUR

3 surprise awards will be decided by drawing of lots.

Prizes will not be combined (for instance, nobody could get the a prize for his or her good place and the prize for the best young player).

Fees

Participation fee: 10 EUR

Participation fee for young players or seniors: 7 EUR The fees will be collected in cash before the event.

Participation is free for GMs, IMs, WGMs, WIMs, players from Viljandimaa and players personally invited by the organizers.

Participation fee for unregistered players is two times higher than for registered players.

Registration

All players must register in advance.

Registration deadline: March 15, 2018.

Registration by e-mail chessclubfellin@gmail.com preferred, registration by phone +372 5357 3000 (Mr. Tanel Kuldsepp) possible as well. Registration message must include participant's forename, surname, the year of birth and Elo rating.

Unregistered players might not be allowed to participate, depending on the number of registered players.

General provisions

All other questions will be solved by the CC Fellin together with the main arbiter. Smoking by the schoolhouse is prohibited. A special smoking area will be arranged for the participants.