

HIGHLANDS OPEN 2018

12th International Chess Festival

part of CZECH TOUR 2018 / 2019 Series

22nd - 29th September 2018 Trebic, Czech Republic

Place: the Atom hotel, Velkomeziricska 640/45, Trebic

Organizer: AVE-KONTAKT s.r.o. in cooperation with Chess club Caissa Trebic and Regional Chess Association of Vysocina

Festival director: Dr. Jan Mazuch

Deputy festival director: Mgr. Lubos Svizensky

Main arbiter: Petr Lausman

Announced tournaments:

A) 22nd - 29th September 2018: HIGHLANDS OPEN – Open Championship of the Vysocina Region

- **open rating tournament** with rating for FIDE and DWZ
- **participation** of players without age and performance limitations
- Swiss system of 9 rounds
- 2x 1,5 h + 30 s/move, waiting time is 1 h in case of late arrival
- **financial prizes** in CZK *: 7 000, 5 000, 3 000, 2 000, 1 000, 1 000, 500, 500 (**20 000 altogether**)
- special financial prizes for best players from the Vysocina Region
- material prizes for other players, women, seniors over 60 years of age and juniors up to 16 years of age
- **starting fee** in EUR:

	players accommodated through the organizer	other players
GM, IM, WGM and WIM	0	0
ELO FIDE >= 2 300	21,0	33,5
ELO FIDE >= 2 200	29,0	41,5
ELO FIDE >= 2 100	33,5	46,0
ELO FIDE >= 1 800	37,5	50,0
ELO FIDE >= 1 500	41,5	54,0
ELO FIDE < 1 500 and without ELO FIDE	46,0	58,5

- discounts on starting fee:

- 25 % for FM, youth players up to 18 years of age, players over 65 years of age and women
- **fees for rating of the tournament results for ELO in the amount of 2,5 EUR per player** charged according to the economic directive of the Chess Federation of the Czech Republic **are not included in the starting fee and will be paid by participants during the registration.** The organizer pays these fees for players with GM, IM, WGM and WIM titles
- players registered after 10th September 2018 pay extra 8,5 EUR

B) 23rd September 2018: open tournament in rapid chess

- participation of players without age and performance limitations

- **rating** for rapid ELO FIDE
- Swiss system of 7 rounds, 2 x 10 min + 5s/move
- **financial prizes** in CZK*: 700, 500, 300
- material prizes for other players
- **starting fee** in EUR:
 - GM, IM, WGM and WIM 0,0
 - youngsters up to 18 years of age, players over 65 and women 3,0
 - other players 4,0
- **fees for rating of the tournament results for ELO in the amount of 0,5 EUR per player** charged according to the economic directive of the Chess Federation of the Czech Republic **are not included in the starting fee and will be paid by participants during the registration**
- **applications** for this tournament are not registered and it is possible to register for it only on the day of launching of the tournament

C) 25th September 2018: open blitz tournament

- participation of players without age and performance limitations
- **rating** for blitz ELO FIDE
- Swiss system of 11 rounds, 2 x 3 min. + 2s/move
- **financial and material prizes** according to the number of participants *
- **starting fee** 2,0 EUR:
- **fees for rating of the tournament results for ELO in the amount of 0,5 EUR per player** charged according to the economic directive of the Chess Federation of the Czech Republic **are not included in the starting fee and will be paid by participants during the registration**
- **applications** for this tournament are not registered and it is possible to register for it only on the day of launching of the tournament

Criteria used for ranking and prizes distribution (tournaments A, B and C): 1. number of points, 2. Buchholz Cut 1, 3. Buchholz, 4. Sonnenborg-Bergen, 5. the greater number of games played with black. Prizes in the tournament A are distributed according to Hort system among such number of players which corresponds to the number of advertised prizes; prizes in tournaments B and C are not divided

* *Payment in EUR possible*

Accommodation:

Hotel Atom *** (the playing hall is situated here)

double rooms with a shower and WC, WiFi connection
price including breakfast 58,5 EUR/room and night

single rooms with a shower and WC, WiFi connection
price including breakfast 41,5 EUR/room and night

triple rooms with a shower and WC, WiFi connection
price including breakfast 75,0 EUR/room and night

double rooms basic, shower and WC common for 2 rooms, modest equipment
price without breakfast 16,5 EUR/person and night

Board-meals: at the Atom hotel according to your choice

Time schedule:

Saturday	22 nd September	10.00 – 14.00	registration
		16.00	1 st round
Sunday	23 rd September	08.30 – 09.15	registration B
		09.30 – 13.30	tournament B
		16.00	2 nd round

Monday	24 th September	16.00	3 rd round
Tuesday	25 th September	09.15 – 09.45	registration C
		10.00 – 13.00	tournament C
		16.00	4 th round
Wednesday	26 th September	16.00	5 th round
Thursday	27 th September	16.00	6 th round
Friday	28 th September	09.00	7 th round
		16.00	8 th round
Saturday	29 th September	09.00	9 th round
		14.00	final ceremony

Starting fee and accommodation payments will be collected during the registration in cash in EUR (at the amount given in these regulations), **CZK** (in the rate 24:1 compared to prices given in these regulations) **or USD or by debit and credit cards:** Eurocard/Master Card, Maestro, VISA, VISA Electron, JCB or Diners Club.

Festivals arranged by AVE-KONTAKT agency within the frame of **CZECH TOUR International Chess Festivals 2018 / 2019 Series:**

- 12. - 29. 7. 2018 29th CZECH OPEN (Pardubice)
- 3. - 10. 8. 2018 5th PRAGUE SUMMER OPEN
- 11. - 18. 8. 2018 21st OLOMOUC CHESS SUMMER
- 6. - 15. 9. 2018 17th SUNNY BEACH OPEN (Bulgaria)
- 22. - 29. 9. 2018 12th HIGHLANDS OPEN (Trebic)
- 30. 9. - 7. 10. 2018 9th HRADEC KRALOVE OPEN
- 10. - 17. 11. 2018 8th BRNO OPEN
- 18. - 24. 11. 2018 10th PILSNER OPEN
- 26. 12. 2018 – 1. 1. 2019 10st LITOMYSL OPEN
- 11. - 18. 1. 2019 18th PRAGUE OPEN
- 19. - 26. 1. 2019 18th MARIENBAD OPEN
- 23. 2. - 2. 3. 2019 19th LIBEREC OPEN

Prize fund of the whole CZECH TOUR 2018 / 19 Series is 25 000 CZK (7 000, 5 000, 4 000, 3 000, 2 000, 1 000, 1 000, 1 000, 500, 500), prizes can be obtained in the form of bonus in the next year of series only, criteria used for ranking: the highest total of points gained in individual tournaments (7 best results from all tournaments for individuals played with rating min. 2 x 1,5h + 30s/move are counted), best place in one of included tournaments, lot

Discount on starting fee and accommodation price - 5% discount in 2nd start in the tournament held within the frame of this year CZECH TOUR Series, or 10% in 3rd start, 15% in 4th start etc. (only starts from all tournaments for individuals played with rating min. 2 x 1,5h + 30s/move except for Sunny Beach Open are counted)

Interesting things: <http://www.facebook.com/czechtouren>

Contact to the organizer:

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Complete your obligatory applications together with accommodation orders by 10th September 2018 on <http://www.czechtour.net/applications/>

All foreign players must have an assigned FIDE identification number (abbreviation FIDE ID or FID) at the time of the submission of the application form. If they do not have it, they have to apply their national chess federation for it.