

# HIGHLANDS OPEN 2017

## 11<sup>th</sup> International Chess Festival

### part of CZECH TOUR 2017 / 2018 Series

23<sup>rd</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017 Trebic, Czech Republic

**Place:** the Atom hotel, Velkomeziricka 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) 23<sup>rd</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017: 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 $\geq$ 2 300	20	32
ELO FIDE $\geq$ 2 200	28	40
ELO FIDE $\geq$ 2 100	32	44
ELO FIDE $\geq$ 1 800	36	48
ELO FIDE $\geq$ 1 500	40	52
ELO FIDE < 1 500 and without ELO FIDE	44	56

#### - 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 11<sup>th</sup> September 2017 pay extra 8 EUR

#### B) 24<sup>th</sup> September 2017: open tournament in rapid chess

- participation of players without age and performance limitations

- **rating** for rapid ELO FIDE
- playing system according to the number of participants, 2 x 3 min. + 2s / move
- **financial prizes** in CZK\*: 700, 500, 300
- material prizes for other players
- **starting fee** in EUR:
  - GM, IM, WGM and WIM 0
  - youngsters up to 18 years of age, players over 65 and women 3
  - other players 4
- **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) 26<sup>th</sup> August 2017: 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 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, C and D):** 1. number of points, 2. median Buchholz, 3. Buchholz, 4. number of wins. Prizes are distributed according to Hort system among such number of players which corresponds to the number of advertised prizes.

\* *Payment in EUR possible*

#### **Criteria used for ranking and prizes distribution:**

Tournaments A, B and C - 1. number of points, 2. median Buchholz, 3. Buchholz, 4. number of wins, prizes are distributed according to Hort system among such number of players which corresponds to the number of advertised prizes

#### **Accommodation:**

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

double rooms with a shower and WC, WiFi connection  
price including breakfast 52 EUR/room and night

single rooms with a shower and WC, WiFi connection  
price including breakfast 36 EUR/room and night

double rooms basic, shower and WC common for 2 rooms, modest equipment  
price without breakfast 14 EUR/person and night

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

#### **Time schedule:**

Saturday	23 <sup>rd</sup> September	10.00 – 14.00	registration
		16.00	1 <sup>st</sup> round
Sunday	24 <sup>th</sup> September	08.30 – 09.15	registration B
		09.30 – 13.30	tournament B
		16.00	2 <sup>nd</sup> round

Monday	25 <sup>th</sup> September	16.00	3 <sup>rd</sup> round
Tuesday	26 <sup>th</sup> September	09.15 – 09.45	registration C
		10.00 – 13.00	tournament C
		16.00	4 <sup>th</sup> round
Wednesday	27 <sup>th</sup> September	16.00	5 <sup>th</sup> round
Thursday	28 <sup>th</sup> September	09.00	6 <sup>th</sup> round
		16.00	7 <sup>th</sup> round
Friday	29 <sup>th</sup> September	16.00	8 <sup>th</sup> round
Saturday	30 <sup>th</sup> September	09.00	9 <sup>th</sup> round
		14.00	final ceremony

**Possibility of spending free time:** The town of Trebic with almost 40 000 inhabitants is the second largest town in the region of Czech Highlands. Jewish quarter of the Trebic town and St. Prokop's Basilica are UNESCO sights.

**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 25:1 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 2017 / 2018 Series:**

- 13. - 30. 7. 2017 28<sup>th</sup> CZECH OPEN (Pardubice)
- 4. - 11. 8. 2017 4<sup>th</sup> PRAGUE SUMMER OPEN
- 12. - 19. 8. 2017 20<sup>th</sup> OLOMOUC CHESS SUMMER
- 5. - 13. 9. 2017 16<sup>th</sup> SUNNY BEACH OPEN (Bulgaria)
- 23. - 30. 9. 2017 11<sup>th</sup> HIGHLANDS OPEN (Trebic)
- 1. - 8. 10. 2017 8<sup>th</sup> HRADEC KRALOVE OPEN
- 19. - 25. 11. 2017 9<sup>th</sup> PILSNER OPEN
- 12. - 19. 1. 2018 17<sup>th</sup> PRAGUE OPEN
- 20. - 27. 1. 2018 17<sup>th</sup> MARIENBAD OPEN
- 24. 2. - 3. 3. 2018 18<sup>th</sup> LIBEREC OPEN

**Prize fund of the whole CZECH TOUR 2017 / 18 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 2<sup>nd</sup> start in the tournament held within the frame of this year CZECH TOUR Series, or 10% in 3<sup>rd</sup> start, 15% in 4<sup>th</sup> 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 11<sup>th</sup> September 2017 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.*