

4. PAUL KERES MEMORIAL FESTIVAL 2023

With the guaranteed prize fund of 12 500€

Location: Estonia Resort Hotel & Spa conference center, Pärnu <https://www.spaestonia.ee/>

1) KERES CLASSIC OPEN – 24. - 29. July 2023

System: 9 rounds; Swiss system; **possibility of FIDE title norms**

Schedule:	<u>24.07</u> 15.00 registration	<u>16.00</u> I round	<u>27.07</u>	<u>16.00</u> VI round
	<u>25.07</u> 10.00 II round	<u>16.00</u> III round	<u>28.07</u> 10.00 VII round	<u>16.00</u> VIII round
	<u>26.07</u> 10.00 IV round	<u>16.00</u> V round	<u>29.07</u> 10.00 IX round	<u>15.30</u> closing ceremony

Time control: 60 min for 30 moves + 30 min for the rest of the game; from move 1, extra 30 sec for each move

Prizes: I place - **2000€**, II place - **1400€**, III place - **1000€**, IV place - **700€**, V place - **500€**, VI place - **300€**
 Women: I place - **700€**, II place - **500€**, III place - **300€**; best Estonian and Best Estonian woman - **200€** (in case does not already receive a main or women prize); best 65+ and 50+ - **150€**, rating prizes (2100 and 1600) - **150€**, best youth and girl players (U18, U14, U10) – **prizes with a value of 100€**

Extra **10 high-rated and GM/WGM titled foreign players can be offered free accommodation from the organizers**

2) KERES MEMORIAL BLITZ TOURNAMENT - 29. July 2023

System: 11 rounds Swiss system, FIDE-rated

Schedule: **29. July at 16.00**

Time control: 3 min for the game + 2 sec per move

Prizes: I place **300€**, II place **200€**, III place **100€**
 Special prizes: women **75€**; 65+ and 50+ **50€**; U18 youth **25€**; Pärnu **25€**; Pärnu youth **25€**
 Special awards: youth/girls/Pärnumaa (U16, U14, U12, U10)

3) KERES MEMORIAL RAPID TOURNAMENT - 30. July 2023

System: 7 rounds Swiss system, FIDE-rated

Schedule: **29. July at 10.30**

Time control: 15 min for the game + 3 sec per move

Prizes: I place **400€**, II place **300€**, III place **200€**, IV place **100€**
 Special prizes: women **100€**; U18 youth **50€**; U18 girls **50€**; 65+ and 50+ **50€**; Pärnu **50€**; Pärnu youth **50€**
 Special awards: youth/girls/Pärnumaa (U16, U14, U12, U10)

INFORMATION

Registration and participation fees (the registration is confirmed after transferring the fee):

	CLASSIC OPEN	RAPID	BLITZ	CLASSIC + RAPID + BLITZ
Until 31.05	60€; U18 and 65+ 45€	20€; U18 and 65+ 15€	15€; U18 and 65+ 10€	80€; U18 and 65+ 60€
1.06 - 30.06	65€; U18 and 65+ 50€	25€; U18 and 65+ 20€	20€; U18 and 65+ 15€	95€; U18 and 65+ 75€
From 1.07	75€; U18 and 65+ 60€	35€; U18 and 65+ 25€	30€; U18 and 65+ 20€	120€; U18 and 65+ 95€

NB! GM above 2450 and WGM above 2250 **free** participation if registered before 30.06

Tie-breaks: 1) Median Bucholtz (-1 weakest); 2) Median Bucholtz (-2 weakest); 3) more wins with Black pieces

Shared prizes: Classic Open monetary prizes - Horti system; rapid and blitz – prizes are not shared; every player can receive one prize per competition; special prizes awarded if there are at least 5 players in the group; the taxes will be withheld according to Estonian law (residents -20%, non-residents -10%)

Bank details: Tallinn Chess Club account for transferring the fees: Tallinna Maleklubi: EE471010220237169225, SEB Bank

Accommodation: Organizers are offering accommodation with breakfast (24.-30.07; 6 nights)

ESTONIA Medical Spa & Hotel (<https://www.spaestonia.ee/medical/>) double room = **760€** (single – 10%)

Rannastaadioni Hostel (<https://spordikeskus.parnu.ee/rannastaadion/>) double room = **450€** (single – 10%)

Transport: Resort town Pärnu is located 135 km from the airport of Tallinn and 190 km from the airport of Riga. From both airports there are direct LuxExpress busses to Pärnu (<https://luxexpress.eu/en/>)

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