

The Norwegian Chess Festival 2012

WITH THE OPEN NORWEGIAN CHAMPIONSHIP Fagernes April 28 – May 5

Welcome to the second Norsk Sjakkfestival (Norwegian Chess Festival) at Norway's new "chess hotel" Quality Hotel & Resort Fagernes, with a central placement in Southern Norway, 2½ hours from Oslo airport.

The Festival includes The open Norwegian championship of 2012 and several other events for all friends of chess, irrespective of their level, from Beginner to Grandmaster. See also: http://festival.sjakkweb.no/eng/

THE OPEN NORWEGIAN CHAMPIONSHIP 2012:

An attractive international open tournament divided into three groups.

Group A:

Saturday 28 April – Saturday 5 May A semi-open IM and GM tournament of 9 rounds, with approximately 10 – 12 Grandmasters.

Open to players with a FIDE rating or Norwegian rating 1800 or higher.

40 moves in 2 hours, plus 1 hour extra to finish.

Group B:

Saturday 28 April – Wednesday 2 May
Open to players with a rating between 1000 and 2000.
Closed to players with a rating 2000 or higher.
7-round tournament, submitted for FIDE rating.
40 moves in 1½ hours, plus 30 minutes extra to finish.

Group C:

Saturday 28 April – Wednesday 2 May Open to players with a rating below 1250 or with no rating. (Some unrated players may also be placed in group A or B if previous results indicate this.) 7-round tournament, for national Norwegian rating. 40 moves in 1½ hours, plus 30 minutes extra to finish.

Entry fees:

Group A:

GM, IM and WGMFreeWIM and players with a FIDE rating 2300+NOK 500Players with a FIDE rating 2100-2299NOK 750Players with a FIDE rating 2000-2099NOK 1000Players with a FIDE rating below 2000NOK 1250A discount NOK 150 to players born 1996 or later.

Groups B and C:

"Lilliputs" born 1999 or later	NOK 300
Juniors born 1992 or later	NOK 400
Other players	NOK 500

Prizes:

Group A:

1. Prize	Euro 1000 (app. NOK 8000) + a trophy
2. Prize	NOK 5500
3. Prize	NOK 4000
4. Prize	NOK 2500
5. Prize	NOK 1500
6. Prize	NOK 1000
7., 8., 9. and 10.	Prize each NOK 600

The best players of the rating groups (FIDE rating) 2150 – 2299, 2000-2149 and below 2000 are all secured a prize of NOK 1000. Also NOK 1000 to best placed woman, and to best placed senior player born 1952 or earlier.

<u>Group B:</u>

Prizes NOK 2500, 1250 and 600

NOK 600 to the best player with a rating below 1500.

Group C:

Prizes NOK 2000, 1000 and 500 NOK 500 to the best player with a rating below 1000. For all the groups also:

Books or other prizes to other players to make a total of 1/3 prize winners in each rating group.

Schedule:

Group A:

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Saturday 28 April	1300 – 1530	Registration
	1615	Opening
	1630 – 2230	Round 1
Sunday 29 April	1330 – 1930	Round 2
Monday 30 april	0900 - 1500	Round 3
	1700 – 2300	Round 4
Tuesday 1st May	1330 – 1930	Round 5
Wednesday 2 nd May	1300 – 1900	Round 6
Thursday 3rd May	1300 – 1900	Round 7
Friday 4 th May	1300 – 19030	Round 8
Saturday 5 th May	0915 – 1515	Round 9
	not before 1500	Prize giving

Group B and C:

Wednesday 20 April	1400 – 1545	Registration
	1615 – 2015	Round 1
Thursday 21 April	0900 - 1300	Round 2
	1500 - 1900	Round 3
Friday 22 April	0900 - 1300	Round 4
	1500 - 1900	Round 5
Saturday 23 April	1400 - 1800	Round 6
Sunday 24 April	1000 - 1400	Round 7
	1415	Prize giving
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FAGERNES GRAND PRIX 2012:

An open tournament from Thursday 3rd to Saturday 5th with all players in one group.

Time control 1 hour each for 40 moves, and then 30 minutes extra to finish the game.

Entry fees:

Lilliputs born 1999 or later	NOK 250
Juniors born 1992 – 98	NOK 300
Other players	NOK 400

Prizes:

NOK 2000 + winner's trophy, 1200 and 600

NOK 500 to best player of each rating group 1500-1749, 1250-1499, 1000-1249 and below 1000.

Books or other prizes to other players within one third of the participants of each rating group (NVGP).

Time schedule:

Thursday 3 rd May	0900 - 1100	Registration
	1130 - 1430	Round 1
	1730 – 2030	Round 2
Friday 4 th May	1000 - 1300	Round 3
	1500 - 1800	Round 4
Saturday 5 th May	1030 - 1330	Round 5
	1345	Prize giving

FAGERNES BLITZ TOURNEY 2012:

Wednesday 2nd May

A blitz tournament open to all. Counts in the Norwegian Grand Prix curcuit 2011/12.

Group A:Players with a rating 1500 or higherGroup B:Players with a rating below 1500Thinking time:5 minutes per player per game.

Time schedule:

1300 - 1930	Entries and registration
2000	Start of round 1
App. 2300	Prize giving
Prizes:	

 Group A:
 NOK 1200 - 600 - 300

 Group B:
 NOK 800 - 500 - 300

 Plus book prizes and other prizes.

Entry fees:

NOK 100 for liliputs born 1998 or later NOK 150 for other players

FAGERNES CHILDREN GRAND PRIX:

Two open Children's Tournaments Saturday 28 April and Wednesday 2nd May Each separate tournament has 5 rounds and 20 minutes thinking time for each player and game. Entry fee: NOK 100 per player. Saturday 28 April: Registration until 1100 Wednesday 2nd May: Registration until 1415. Miniputs born 2001 or later Lilliputs born 1999-2000 Cadets born 1996-98 And a beginners' group There are prizes to all these participants, of course!

Other festival program:

In addition to these tournaments the festival will include some other program. More information to follow.

Entries and information

Mr. Øystein Brekke, tel (47) 32 82 10 64 Monday – Friday 1030 – 1630, mobile phone (47) 91 18 91 90, **or preferably per e-mail: oeystei@online.no** Or enter directly at: **http://festival.sjakkweb.no** Dead line for entries is Wednesday 25th April. An extra fee of NOK 100 for entries after this.

Accommodation:

THE CHESS HOTEL Quality Hotel & Resort Fagernes:

Full board: Bed, breakfast, lunch and dinner /night:

In single room	NOK 850,-
In double room	NOK 700,-
In 3 beds' room	NOK 600,-
In 4 beds' room	NOK 530,-
Room and breakfast:	
In single room	NOK 650,-
In double room	NOK 500,-
In 3 beds' room	NOK 400,-
In 4 beds' room	NOK 330,-

Information about the hotel: <u>http://fagernes-hotel.no</u> Order your room through: <u>fagernes@choice.no</u> with the code "Chess" or by telephone (47) 61 35 80 00.

Fagernes Camping site:

5 minutes walk, 600 meters away from the festival hotel Accommodation in a selection of apartments and cabins. Further information: <u>www.fagernes-camping.no</u> Order through e-mail: <u>post@fagernes-camping.no</u> with the code "Chess", or by tel. (47) 61 36 05 10.

Travel to Fagernes:

Fagernes is the charming capital of the Valdres region (<u>www.valdres.no</u>) and 3 hours by car from Oslo. VALDRESEKSPRESSEN (express bus) from Oslo bus terminal. Departure at 0930 arrives to Fagernes at 1237, and 1305 arrives to Fagernes at 1617. Returning from Fagernes, i.e. at kl 1700, to Oslo bus terminal at 2000. http://www.valdresekspressen.no/ From Oslo Airport Gardermoen: We will offer a charter bus connection (please preorder!) directly from Oslo Airport Gardermoen Saturday 28 at 1215 arriving in Fagernes at 1500. Return trip from Fagernes Saturday 5th at 1545, arriving at Gardermoen at 1830. Tickets one way NOK 250 for adults, NOK 125 for children under 16.

Best regards Øystein Brekke (chief organizer)