





# INVITATION Stockholm Veteran Open May 13-14, 2023

# ORGANIZER

Spårvägens BTK, Tibble-Kungsängen BTK and Västerås BTK.

# **VENUE**

The tournament will be played in the new Table Tennis arena in Kungsängen, 30 km north-west of Stockholm and 32 km south-west of Arlanda Airport. The name of the arena is Kungshallen.

Address: Kungshallen, Klockvägen 5, Kungsängen

There is a regional train service from Stockholm Central Station to Kungsängen.

# SANCTION

The tournament is sanctioned as an International tournament by the Swedish Table Tennis Association.

#### THE TOURNAMENT

Our ambition is to host an International Veteran's Tournament on a high level. A tournament for the players.

The first edition of the tournament in 2022 had the maximum number of entries possible. Based on the big interest and the fact the Covid pandemic seems to be over we now also have a second arena, next door to Kungshallen. We will now have a maximum of 48 tables available.

The main arena has 24 Donic tables and the second arena also has a capacity for 24 tables and will mainly be used for qualification games and consolation matches.

The plan is to play finals in all age categories at the same time around noon on Sunday and then finish off the tournament with a Handicap event where all players can participate. There will be considerable prize money in the Handicap event.

We also invite participants with Parkinson's disease. We will host 2 classes for men and one class for women

We believe that in order to make this tournament a success the social part of the experience is important. We have made a deal with a Hotel/Conference center located in Kungsängen, Happy Tammsvik, where we hope all participants will stay during the tournament. See further details below at the Hotel and dinner section.

# AGE CATEGORIES

Women 40	Born -83 or earlier	Singles, Doubles
Women 45	Born -78 or earlier	Singles, Doubles
Women 50	Born -73 or earlier	Singles, Doubles

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#### **FEES**

200 SEK in singles events 200 SEK per pair in doubles events 200 SEK in the Handicap event

#### **LIMITATIONS**

Men can not play more than one singles event, one doubles event, one mixed event plus the Handicap event.

Women can participate in two singles events, their own age category and one younger category, one doubles event, one mixed event plus the Handicap event.

In case of limited numbers of participants in an age category the organizers have the right to combine age categories.

We will try our best to make sure that all participants get an opportunity to play as much as they prefer to do. Based on this there may be changes or modifications when we see the number of participants.

#### SYSTEM OF PLAY

All events will be played in groups of 3 or 4 players. The winner and runner-up in each group will play knock-out. Third and fourth in each group will be given the oppurtunity to play Consolation in knock-out format. All matches will be played in best of 5 sets except in the Handicap event where matches will be played in best of 3 sets. Players that aim to play Consolation will need to register that after the qualification games.

In the Handicap event each player will be given a handicap which will be based on available rankings and results in the tournament.

All group matches, except the Handicap event, will be played on Saturday. Knock-out and Consolation will be played on Sunday except Mixed events where group games and knock-out/Consolation will be played on Saturday. Finals in singles and doubles events will be played at the same time on Sunday if the schedule works as planned.

#### PRIZE MONEY

50% of fees paid in each event will be awarded as prize money. The number of awards in an event depends on the number of players in an event. In the Handicap event the winner will receive 4000 SEK, runner-up 2000 SEK, 3rd and 4th 1000 SEK and 5th to 8th 500 SEK.

#### **ENTRIES**

Entries shall be made via <u>www.stockholmveteranopen.se</u>. The final date to enter the tournament is April 7. Reservations for Hotel, Dinner Saturday evening, lunch and transportation should also be made via our web-page.

We reached the maximum number of participants last year. By doubling the number of tables, we will be able to allow more entries and hopefully all. If not, we will set up a stand-by list for Swedish players when the maximum number of entries is reached. International players have their entries guaranteed until April 7.

#### DRAW

The draw will be done before each event starts. It is very important that all players present themselves to the organisers no later than 60 minutes before each event starts.

Names of players, schedule and draws will be available online: www.resultat.ondata.

All players who want to play in the Consolation tournament have to note that on the qualification game result paper.

#### **LIVESTREAMING**

The tournament will be streamed. <u>www.stockholmveteranopen.se</u> for information.

# **TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS & INFORMATION**

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# HOTEL AND DINNER

Lodging will be available at Hotel/Conference center Tammsvik, located 15 minutes by car from the arena. At Tammsvik you will find facilities such as pool, sauna, gym and of course nice rooms available as single or double rooms. The restaurant at Tammsvik is known for their culinary achivements and we are convinced that the dinner Saturday evening will be something special. After the dinner we can socialize in the pub/bar at Tammsvik. For more details visit www.stockholmveteranopen.se



We can offer these prizes for overnight stays, including breakfast.Single room950 SEKDuuble room1350 SEK3-course dinner Saturday405 SEK

We have reserved a considerable number of rooms at Tammsvik and we hope all participants decide to make use of this offer.

Transportation will be available between the arena and Tammsvik for those who don't travel by car.

Reservations for Hotel and dinner must be made not later than March 31. Cancellations will only be accepted if made before April 30 in order for us to refund payments.

#### **CAFE IN THE ARENA**

During the tournament there will be a cafeteria in the arena. It is possible to reserve lunch Saturday and Sunday.See <u>www.stockholmveteranopen.se</u>.

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