



37TH SAFIR INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT

Örebro, Sweden, February 20th – 22nd 2009

Safir Table Tennis Club has the pleasure to invite your players to participate in the 37th Safir International Tournament.

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Events/ Prel. Schedule/ Entry Fee:

Senior Group Competitions

	<u>Day</u>	<u>Prel. Start</u>	<u>Prel. Final</u>	<u>Entry Fee</u>
Men's singles Elite – <i>Nittaku cup</i>	Friday	09.00	21.15	Euro € 42.-
Women's singles Elite – <i>Nittaku cup</i>	Friday	09.00	21.00	Euro € 42.-

Senior Cup

Men's single class I	Saturday	13.30	20.30	Euro € 15.-
Women's single class I	Saturday	15.40	20.00	Euro € 15.-

Juniors Cup

Junior boys U21 Yasaka GP born 1/1 1988 or later	Saturday	09.00	15.00	Euro € 15.-
Junior girls U21 Yasaka GP born 1/1 1988 or later	Saturday	09.00	15.00	Euro € 15.-
Junior boys U18 born 1/1 1991 or later	Sunday	10.00	17.30	Euro € 15.-
Junior girls U18 born 1/1 1991 or later	Sunday	11.30	17.30	Euro € 15.-

Cadet Cup

Boys U16 born 1/1 1993 or later	Saturday	11.30	20.00	Euro € 12.-
Boys U15 born 1/1 1994 or later Yasaka GP	Sat-Sun	15.30-Sat	12.20-Sun	Euro € 12.-
Boys U14 born 1/1 1995 or later	Sunday	09.00	15.30	Euro € 12.-
Girls U16 born 1/1 1993 or later	Saturday	13.30	20.00	Euro € 12.-
Girls U15 born 1/1 1994 or later Yasaka GP	Sat-Sun	15.30-Sat	12.20-Sun	Euro € 12.-
Girls U14 born 1/1 1995 or later	Sunday	10.15	16.15	Euro € 12.-

ITTF HOPES Cadet Group

Boys U12 born 1/1 1997 or later	Sat-Sun	09.00-Sat	19.15-Sun	Euro € 24.-
Girls U12 born 1/1 1997 or later	Sat-Sun	10.40-Sat	19.15-Sun	Euro € 24.-

Additional information

Each participant can only take part in two(2) classes on Saturday.

Additional limitations: Players entering U12 can not enter U21, U18 and Singles Class 1

Players entering U14 can not enter U18.

Players entering U15 or U16 can not enter Singles Class 1

Safirs International tournament 2009 is linked with Swedish Junior Open 2009. National Associations who wish to send athletes to Swedish Junior Open, please check the separate invitation and entry form to this event.

Please note that that the above mentioned U15 class is open for clubs, while the U15 class at the Swedish Junior Open only is open for associations.

In other words - there are two separate U15 classes and players can only participate in one of them.

U12 is part of the new initiative from ITTF, called "HOPES".

ITTF HOPES 2009 consists of 4-5 events worldwide, and in addition to associations it is also open for clubs

System of Play: All matches will be played in best of 5 games except the final in Men's Single Elite – Nittaku Cup, which will be played in best of 7 games

The Elite singles and U12 will be played in groups of 4 or 3. The two who finish at the top of the group continue to play in the knockout stage.

In all other classes knockout rounds will be applied directly.

Playing Conditions:

The tournament will be played in five (5) separate halls with 12 tables in the A-hall, 8 tables in the B-hall, 6 tables in the C-hall, 4 tables in the D-hall and 9 tables in the E-hall.

Equipment:

Tables: Yasaka Match, Yasaka Progress and Stiga Expert (all blue)
 Nets: Yasaka Master
 Balls: Nittaku *** (white)
 Playing Floor: STAG Red (A-Hall), Wooden flooring (B-hall), Rigid plastic (C-, and D-Hall) and Taraflex (E-hall)

Prize Money:

Total prize money for Safir International Tournament 2009 will be **Euro €15920** divided as follows:

<u>Men's Single Elite</u>	<u>Women's Single Elite</u>	<u>Men's Class I</u>	<u>Women's class 1</u>	<u>Junior B. U21</u>	<u>Junior G. 21</u>
1. € 5000	1. € 2000	1. € 160	1. € 120	1. € 200	1. € 160
2. € 2000	2. € 1000	2. € 80	2. € 60	2. € 100	2. € 80
3-4. € 700	3-4. € 350	3-4. € 50	3-4. € 40	3-4. € 50	3-4. € 40
5-8. € 300	5-8. € 150	5-8. € 20		5-8. € 20	
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€9600	€4300	€420	€260	€480	€320

Junior B. U18

1. € 120
 2. € 70
 3-4. € 40
 5-8. € 15

€330

Junior G. U18

1. € 100
 2. € 50
 3-4. € 30

€210

Trophies will be awarded in all other classes

Hotels/ Hospitality:

1. Official Hospitality Package

For all players, coaches, doctors, officials and accompanying guests using the **Official Hospitality Package** the charge is (to be paid in Euro €)

Euro € 80 - per day and person in shared accommodation (2 or 3) and

Euro € 107 - per day in a single room (limited number)

The **Official Hospitality Package** includes:

- Accommodation in a 4**** hotel with breakfast, lunch, dinner.
- Free transportation from Örebro Airport or Örebro railway station to/from the hotel.

Additional information:

- The official hospitality package does **not** include any entry fees. Please check above for entry fees to each class.
- The hotel lies within 5 min walking distance from the playing venue.
- The Check-Out-Time is 12.00 noon. If the rooms will be left later an extra day has to be charged.
- Breakfast will be served at the hotel.
- Lunch will be served at the playing venue.
- Dinner will be served at Clarion Hotel
- Payment by bank transfer is possible. You will receive an invoice with all bankdetails after sending your final entry.

Travel by air:

Teams can fly to Örebro Airport which is linked with Copenhagen Kastrup Airport (Denmark). Please note that flying to Örebro Airport is generally more expensive than the alternatives below.

Teams can also fly to Arlanda Airport (Stockholm).

Arlanda is Sweden's major airport and most airlines operate there. From Arlanda trains depart to Örebro Railway station (this train journey takes about 2 hours).

For train timetables and fares please visit www.sj.se and continue by clicking "in english" up at the right hand corner.

You can also travel by bus from Arlanda. The company that operates this route is called "Air-bus" and you can contact them by phone 0046 54 21 11 00 or visit their website www.air-bus.se. Also here you can choose an English version.

For European associations the probably best alternative is to fly to Skavsta Airport at the City of Nyköping (1 ½ hours drive east of Örebro). Skavsta Airport is a base for the low cost airline Ryan Air and linked with many smaller airports around Europe. Also Wizzair runs on Skavsta Airport from Poland and Hungary.

For more information please visit www.skavsta.se

From Skavsta airport there are busses that will take you to Örebro. Please visit www.flygbussarna.se for more information and choose your language at the top right corner. These busses will take you to "Örebro Södra" where we will pick you up.

If you wish us to pick you up at either Skavsta Airport or Arlanda Airport, we can offer you this service at a selfcost price.

Please contact the organisers for more information about prices etc.

Travel by train:

Örebro Railway Station is linked with all other bigger Swedish cities. The Railway Station is situated 1,5 km away from the venue. Youngsters under the age of 16 travel very cheap on trains in Sweden. Two youngsters under 16 travel free of charge with one fully paying adult. Find out more on the website www.sj.se.

Free transport will be arranged from **Örebro Railway Station** to the hotels and return.

Please tell us your way of travelling to Örebro by filling out the form 'travelling details'.

Additional Information

-The free transportation service can only be provided, if you send back your 'travelling details' no later than **January 23th 2009**. The travelling details concerns both the Swedish Junior Open and Safir International Tournament 2009

Entries:

Deadline for entries

Deadline for return of the preliminary entry form: **5th January 2009.**

Deadline for return of the final entry form: **16th January 2009.**

Deadline for return of the travelling details: **23th January 2009**

Please note that no entry will be accepted after the deadline 16th January 2009

Additional Information

- We kindly ask players/clubs from countries who requires a Visa to get into Sweden to send the entries with an official stamp and signature from your Table Tennis Association, or by E-mail from the association's official E-mail address registered at the ITTF website. Players/clubs who fails to do so will not be eligible to participate in the tournament.

-The preliminary and final entry form concerns only Safir International Tournament 2009.

- Please write down your players in rankingorder, the highest ranked at the top

Please send your entries to: Bordtennisklubben Safir
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Draw:

Will be made at Tulpangatan 47, January 22th 2009, start at 9.00 am

The draw will be made public on the website of Safir Table Tennis Club, www.btksafir.com around February 1st 2009.

Kind regards, Lars Elwin, Tournament Director, BTK Safir