

“Jermuk 2008” International Open Chess Tournament

26 June – 6 July, 2008 Jermuk

The Chess Academy of Armenia is organizing an international open chess tournament from June 26 (the day of arrival) to July 6 (the day of departure) in the resort town of Jermuk.



Participants 8 to 20 years old (boys and girls) will take part in different groups. Each tournament is a 9 round Swiss Tournament.

The organizers of the tournament are – The Chess Academy of Armenia, the Mayor of Jermuk and *Jermuk Ashkhar* health centre.

The total prize fund of the tournament is 3 720 000 Armenian dram (AMD), which is equal to approx. 11 500 USD, (1 USD ~ 323 AMD, Nov 10, 2007).

All prizes in AMD

Tournament A: Under 20		Tournament B: Under 16	
1 st place	320 000	1 st place	200 000
2 nd place	250 000	2 nd place	160 000
3 rd place	200 000	3 rd place	120 000
4 th place	150 000	4 th place	100 000
5 th place	100 000	5 th place	80 000

Tournament C: Under 14		Tournament D: Under 12	
1 st place	160 000	1 st place	140 000
2 nd place	140 000	2 nd place	120 000
3 rd place	110 000	3 rd place	100 000
4 th place	90 000	4 th place	80 000
5 th place	70 000	5 th place	60 000

Tournament E: Under 10	
1 st place	120 000
2 nd place	100 000
3 rd place	80 000
4 th place	60 000
5 th place	50 000

Special prizes to participants who have the best performance	
Under 20 girls	80 000
Under 18 boys	90 000
Under 18 girls	80 000
Under 16 girls	70 000
Under 14 girls	60 000
Under 12 girls	50 000
Under 10 girls	50 000
Under 8 girls	40 000
Under 8 boys	40 000

In the event of a tie, the monetary prizes are distributed equally and tie breaks will be carried out according to the Cut off Buchholz in all cases. Each prizewinner can win only one prize.

Time control: 100 minutes for the whole game (30 seconds increment added after every move).

Tournament schedule:

26 June – opening ceremony 18:00
 27 June – round 1 10:30
 28 June – round 2 10:30
 29 June – round 3 10:30
 30 June – round 4 10:30
 1 July – round 5 10:30
 2 July – round 6 10:30
 3 July – round 7 10:30
 4 July – round 8 10:30
 5 July – round 9 10:30
 5 July – closing ceremony 16:00
 6 July – day of departure

The tournament will be held at the resort *Jermuk Ashkhar*, where the participants of the tournament can enjoy billiards, table tennis, the use of the football field as well as a swimming pool. Participants must register by June 25, 2008, with the following price breakdown and early registration discounts:





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entry fee, food accommodation:	up to 15.05.08	16.05.08-25.06.08
under 14: ordinary/lux room	105 000 / 155 000	110 000 / 160 000
under 20: ordinary/lux room	110 000 / 160 000	115 000 / 165 000
for accompanying persons: ordinary / lux room	100 000 / 150 000	105 000 / 155 000

International Masters do not need to pay the entry fee of 10000 dram. Trainers have opportunity to stay at the hotel without any charge if at least 10 of their students participate at the tournament.

Transportation (from the airport to Jermuk and back) will cost 8000 AMD (approx. 24 USD) per person.

INTERMEDIARY BANK: AMERICAN EXPRESS BANK
SWIFT: AEIBUS33; New York, NY 10048, USA;
BANK BENEFICIARY: PROMETHEY BANK LLC
SWIFT: PRMLAM22; Yerevan, Armenia; Acc. # 743070
BENEFICIARY: Acc.1660000223180101;

"CHESS ACADEMY" FOUND;

Hanrapetutyun 49, Yerevan, Armenia

Note: Upon departure from Zvartnots Airport in Yerevan, all travelers must pay the Armenian-dram equivalent of approx. 30 USD as a departure tax.

This regulation is the formal invitation for the tournament

The Chess Academy of Armenia was founded in 2002 in Yerevan by the initiative of GM Smbat Lputian, supported by the Prime Minister.

The Chess Academy is one of the leading chess-teaching institutions in the country. During its brief five-year existence, the Academy has organized seven International and many National Tournaments. It has 30 branches both in Yerevan (head office) and various regions of the Republic of Armenia. Plans are presently under way to establish branches outside of Armenia as well.

Twice a year open seminars for trainers are held; retreats are organized in the best vacation spots in Armenia.

Young people aged 10-18 who have obtained first, second and third places in the Chess Championship of Armenia gain automatic acceptance into the Academy. Children aged 5-10 can also attend classes held in the Academy, where they can study until the age of 18. Classes in the Academy are held free of charge and are overseen by the best trainers in Armenia.

