



**WCT CHALLENGER
SERIES EVENT for
MEN/WOMEN**

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SYSTEM OF PLAY

This is a WCT Challenger Series curling event for 15 men + 15 women teams which will be divided in groups by 5 teams in each. Every team has guaranteed 4 games before play-offs. Best 8 teams (2 best from each group + 2 best from the third places) for men and women will qualify for the quarterfinals.

All games will be played full 8 ends + extra ends if necessary without time limit.

More detailed info about the rules will be sent out to the accepted teams.



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PROVISIONAL SCHEDULE

Thursday, 26.10.2023.	
12:00-15:30	Practice times (50 EUR/h)
16:30-22:00	Round Robin
Friday, 27.10.2023.	
8:00-23:00	Round Robin
Saturday, 28.10.2023.	
8:00-23:00	Round Robin
Sunday, 29.10.2023. - three games will be broadcasted on TV	
8:00-10:30	1/4-finals women
11:15-13:45	1/4-finals men
15:00-17:30	1/2-finals men&women
19:00-21:30	Finals and bronze games for men&women
21:45	Closing ceremony and awarding



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ICE QUALITY

This tournament will be played on “arena” ice. We guarantee high class ice as close as possible to WCF event ice.

Previously ice was prepared by **Patrik Kapralik** from Slovakia and **Jørgen Larsen** from Denmark.



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PRIZES

Prize fund will be

3'000 EUR for each gender

which will be split:

1st place - 1'400 EUR

2nd place - 800 EUR

3rd place - 500 EUR

4th place - 300 EUR

PARTICIPATION FEE

Participation fee is

500 EUR which includes

transfers from/to Riga airport

to/from Tukums.



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FORMER WINNERS

2017 – Stjerne, DEN / Jentsch, GER

2018 – Mäkelä, FIN / Wilson, SCO

2019 – Magnusson, SWE /

Ramsfjell, NOR

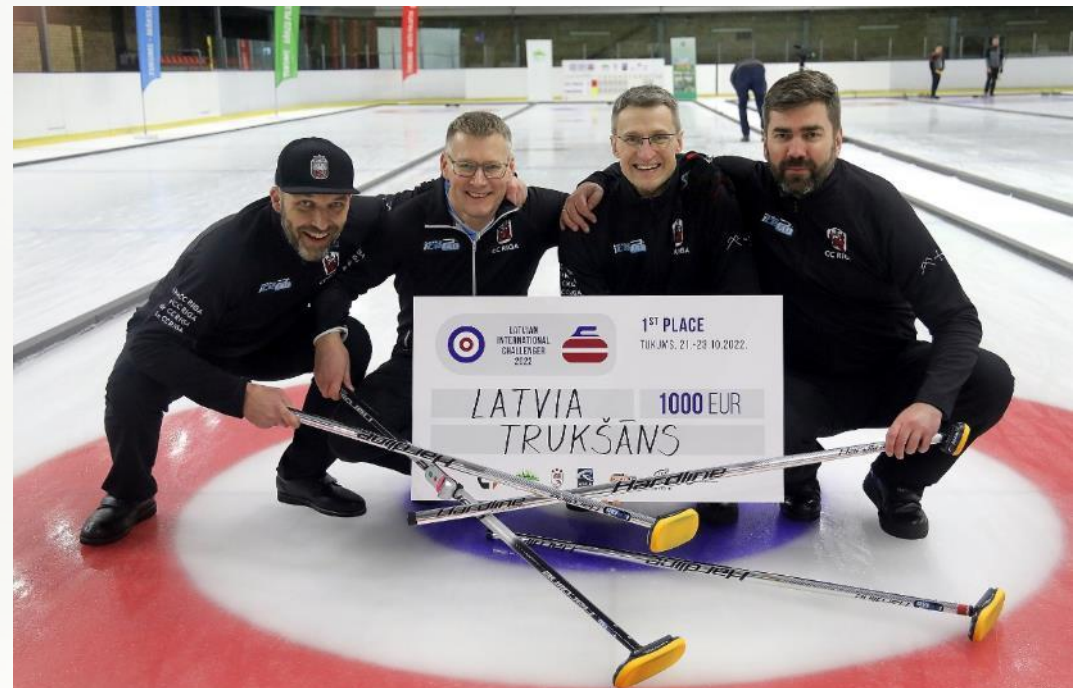
2020 – cancelled

2021 – Bryce, SCO /

Rumyantseva, RUS

2022 – Trukšāns, LAT /

Team Hürlimann, SUI



INSIGHTS FROM THE PREVIOUS TOURNAMENT



APPLICATIONS

Applications **till 08.09.2023.** should be sent to **wct@curling.lv** and must include:

- 1) name of the team (or surname of the skip)
- 2) short description of your team

The official full list of the participants will be announced right after receiving all applications.



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ACCOMMODATION

We are offering accommodation in three hotels:

1. Ice arena hotel = right in the arena building
2. Hotel Tukums = 300 metres from the arena
3. Guest house “Stelles” = 1,3 km from the arena

All hotels have a free Wi-Fi. All hotels are booked for curlers only.

Prices can change in case there are unexpected increase in costs from the hotels.

Accommodation request forms will be sent out to the teams after confirmation of the teams.



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ACCOMMODATION #1 - ICE ARENA HOTEL

On the top floor of arena, 15 rooms.



Room type	Price per night
Twin room	45 EUR
Twin room for single occupancy	30 EUR
3-5 persons sharing the room	18 EUR/pers.
LUX (1-2 persons)	60 EUR
Breakfast (optional, served in Hotel Tukums)*	7 EUR/pers.



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ACCOMMODATION #2 - HOTEL "TUKUMS"

300 m from the arena, 25 rooms



Room type	Price per night
Single	30 EUR
Economy twin (1+1)	50 EUR
Economy twin for single occupancy	35 EUR
Standard twin (1+1)	50 EUR
Superior double (2)	55 EUR
Tripple (2+1 or 1+1+1)	75 EUR
Quadruple (1+1+1+1)	90 EUR
LUX (2 or 2+1+1)	90 EUR
Extra bed	20 EUR
Breakfast (optional)	7 EUR



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ACCOMMODATION #3 - GUEST HOUSE "STELLES"

1,3 km from the arena, 22 rooms



Room type	Price per night
Twin room	50 EUR
Twin room for single occupancy	35 EUR
Tripple room	70 EUR
Quadruple room	85 EUR
Breakfast (optional)	7 EUR



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THE VENUE

Tukums ice arena usually is used for ice hockey, but there are excellent ice conditions for curling. Curling ice is installed several days before the first game. Games will be played on 5 sheets.



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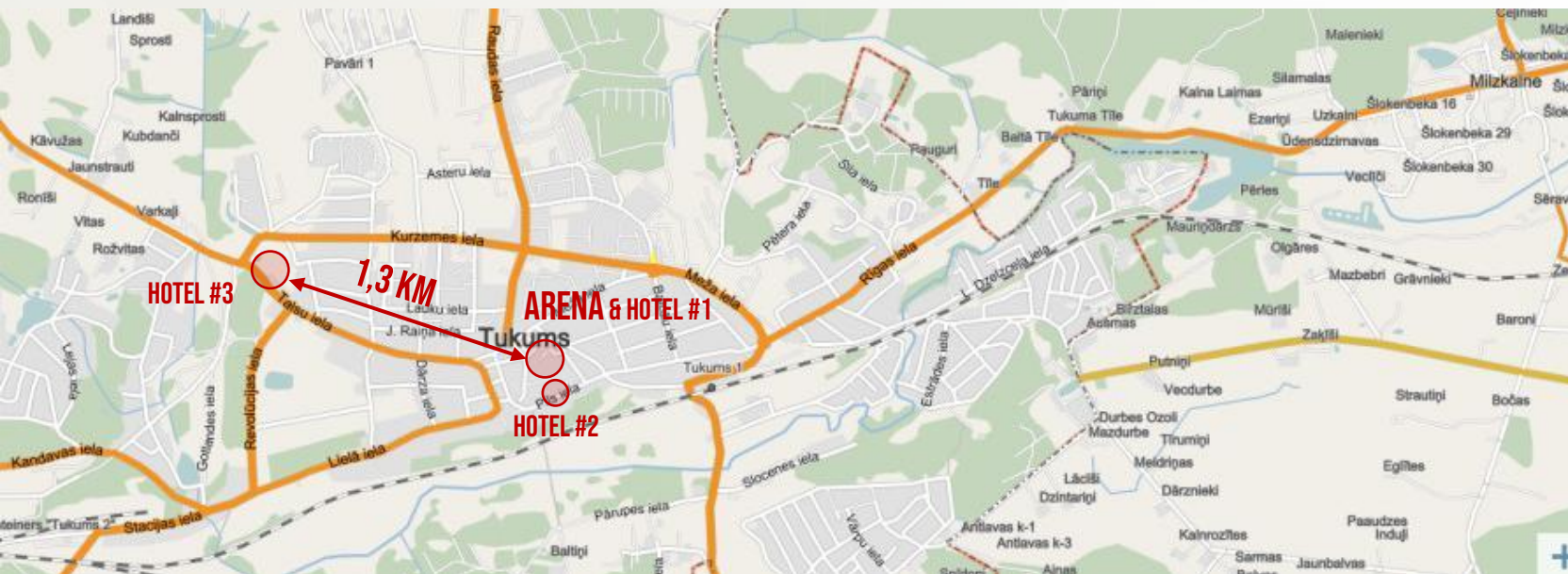
Tukums
Uz Tukumu pēc smukuma!



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Tukums is a small town (about 19 thousand citizens) just less than an hour drive from Riga International airport.

It's surrounded by gardens and situated at the threshold of Kurzeme region. Tukums is a place where the tranquil of a small town can co-exist with the high tempo of contemporary life – a loud and cheery party does not exclude a more tempered tour of the museum.

The old town with its rustic cobbled streets and old houses is excellent for romantic walks in a company of friends. It is also an ideal place for artists of all generations to nourish their inspiration and creativity. In winter the vicinity of Tukums is ideal for skiing. If you dislike the cold, come and skate inside or play some bowling. Or come here in spring, when the whole district overflows with blossoming cherries, apples and pear-trees. In summer the scent of roses is everywhere. Tukums is a town of beauty!

More information: www.visittukums.lv



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Straw workshop and museum

Here you can find artworks that have been made with heart and soul, and it can be sensed in all works carefully made of straw by the Rītiņu family. A broad range of decorative straw figures and souvenirs can be seen on display here: gnomes, dragons, devils, witches, frogs, hares, cats, and many more. The artworks are made of 100 % ecological materials: straw, dried grass, and other similar environmentally friendly and safe materials. The created characters are unique and made in various sizes. They are hand-made, original, of high quality and a beautiful artistic presentation. Each visitor to the workshop will find something interesting and useful for themselves and little presents for their friends and family.

Address: Dārzniecības 4a, Tukums. T. 29495746, www.salmulietas.lv GPS 56.9677 23.1610

Durbe Manor

The Durbe Manor in Tukums is one of the most interesting Classicism style castles in Kurzeme. At this time, the renovated exhibition halls the 1st floor of the manor offers expositions of the interior of countryside manors, however the 2nd floor halls offers various expositions about manor in Latvia in the 19th century. Durbe Manor Park was established during the time from 1918 until 1838, when the Count Medem reconstructed the Durbe Manor and improved its surrounding.

Address: Mazā Parka Street 7, Tukums. T. +371 63122633, +371 63122744, +371 26305946, e-mail: durbespils@infonet.lv, www.tukumamuzejs.lv/durbes-pils
GPS 56.9669 23.1938



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Jaunmoku pils

The Jaunmoku Palace was constructed around 1901 as ordered by the mayor of Riga, George Armitsted, and it served as a hunting castle and summer residence. The project of the castle and the horse stable was designed in 1898 by Wilhelm Bockslaff, making the Jaunmoku Castle into one of the most recognised brick buildings in Latvia. The interior style typical for hunting castles was recreated at the end of the 20th century, however particular attention should be paid to the tile furnaces, one of which was made at the turn of the 19th to the 20th century in honour of the 700 years anniversary of Riga city.

Address: Jaunmokas, Tume parish, Tukums region. T. +371 63107125, 26187442, e-mail: muzejs@jaunmokupils.lv, www.jaunmokupils.lv
GPS 56.9815 23.0541

Chocolate museum of Pure Chocolate

This is a great opportunity for who are interested to learn the story of the origins of chocolate. Here you can hear and see stories about obtaining, processing, and using chocolate, as well as learn about the chocolate history. The employees at the factory will tell you about the truffle production process in detail and in an easily perceptible and memorable manner. All, who are willing, can “get inside” a truffle box, see and create own truffles, as well as taste them. The products made at Pure Cocolate can be bought in the factory shop.

Address: Pūre – 9, Pūre, Pūres parish, Tukums region. T +371 22100042, www.purechocolate.lv, GPS 57.0361 22.9035



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Ķemeri National park and the big Ķemeri bog trail of the large Ķemeri moorland

Ķemeri National Park – it is a very versatile territory of 38 165 hectares. Human activity has had relatively small influence on this territory, mainly just in the fishermen’s villages and in the agricultural lands in the area of Slampe, therefore the park is the dwelling place for many rare and protected plant and animal species in Latvia and in Europe. Ķemeri National Park offers specifically created routes, and the tourists can visit the park with a tour-guide from ĶNP or individually.

The footbridge of the Large Ķemeri Moorland (Lielais Ķemeru tīrelis) is the most popular site in the Ķemeri National park. It allows exploring the raised bog un touched by human activity. A footbridge was built in the moorland using wooden planks. It takes you to a world of moss, bog pines, pools in the marsh, dark lakelets accompanied with the scent of marsh teas. The total length of the footbridge is 3 km.

Address: “Tīreļi”, Slampe parish, Tukums region. T. +371 67730078, +371 26424972, www.kemerunacionalaisparks.lv



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