

V. János Rigó Memorial Tournament – GM, IM Group and Balaton Summer FIDE OPEN Tournament

Balatonlelle, 20–26 June 2026



The tournament is organized in memory of János Rigó, to honor one of the most renowned chess event organizers, who for decades held his summer tournament on the shores of Lake Balaton, providing many Hungarian and international players the opportunity to compete in a high-quality chess event under excellent conditions. We wish to continue and uphold this tradition. The event will feature a Swiss-system Open tournament, as well as invitational GM and IM round-robin tournaments. The invitational closed tournaments will have 10 participants each, offering opportunities to achieve GM and IM norms.

Venue:

Balatonlelle, on the shore of Lake Balaton, one of Hungary's most popular holiday resorts, offering numerous recreational opportunities for participants.

Organizer:

Honvéd ASE, where János Rigó became team champion 8 times, first in 1970 and last in 1998.

Event Directors:

Zsolt Korpics IO and György Marti IO

Chief Arbiter:

Csaba Horváth IA, International Arbiter

Accommodation:

Accommodation at Szent István Hotel (8638 Balatonlelle, Szent István utca 6.)

If paid by 30 April 2026: 12,000 HUF/person/night in a double room.

Single room available for a 40% surcharge. A 20% deposit must be paid by the deadline to secure the booking. After 1 May 2026: 14,000 HUF/person/night.

The deposit is non-refundable, and if the player does not show up or cancels, it will not be returned. ALL ROOMS ARE AIR-CONDITIONED!

Playing Venues:

- GM and IM Round-Robin: Balatonlelle Cultural Center (8638 Balatonlelle, Kossuth Lajos utca 2.)

- OPEN: Balatonlelle School, 8638 Balatonlelle, Petőfi Sándor utca 1.

Format:

- GM and IM: Round-robin tournaments

- OPEN: Swiss-system, 9 rounds – open tournament

Time Control:

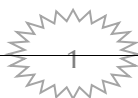
In all groups: 90 minutes + 30 seconds increment per move. Waiting time: 30 minutes.

Entry Fee:

- GM and IM Round-Robin: To be agreed with Mr. Zsolt Korpics!

- OPEN: 12,000 HUF/person.

All prizes in the open tournament will be awarded! Category prizes will always be awarded.



Prizes for the Open Tournament:

1st: 75,000 HUF (+ cup, medal, certificate)
3rd: 35,000 HUF (+ medal, certificate)
5th: 20,000 HUF (+ certificate)
7th: 15,000 HUF

2nd: 50,000 HUF (+ medal, certificate)
4th: 25,000 HUF (+ certificate)
6th: 20,000 HUF (+ certificate)
8th: 15,000 HUF

Category Prizes for the Open Tournament:

1st: 15,000 HUF Categories:

- Best female player, - Best senior (over 60), - Best junior (under 18), - Best under 2000,
- Best under 1600

Total prizes: 250,000 HUF + 5 × 15,000 HUF, i.e., 330,000 HUF

A player can win a prize in only one category!

Prizes are tax-free and will not be split in case of a tie!

Tie-breaks:

For round-robins:

1. Berger–Sonneborn system
2. Result between tied players (if in the same point group)
3. More wins

For the open tournament:

1. Progressive system (cumulative points)
2. Refined Buchholz system, CUT1
3. Result between tied players (if in the same point group)
4. More wins

Competition schedule

	GM / IM			OPEN		
	Balatonlelle Cultural Center (8638 Balatonlelle, Kossuth Lajos Street 2)			Balatonlelle School (8638 Balatonlelle, Petőfi Sándor Street 1)		
registration	20.06.2026	Saturday	12:00	20.06.2026	Saturday	12:00
opening ceremony	20.06.2026	Saturday	14:30	20.06.2026	Saturday	15:45
Round 1	20.06.2026	Saturday	15:00	20.06.2026	Saturday	16:00
Round 2	21.06.2026	Sunday	15:00	21.06.2026	Sunday	9:30
Round 3	22.06.2026	Monday	9:30	22.06.2026	Monday	9:30
Round 4	22.06.2026	Monday	15:00	22.06.2026	Monday	15:00
Round 5	23.06.2026	Tuesday	15:00	23.06.2026	Tuesday	9:30
Round 6	24.06.2026	Wednesday	9:30	24.06.2026	Wednesday	9:30
Round 7	24.06.2026	Wednesday	15:00	24.06.2026	Wednesday	15:00
Round 8	25.06.2026	Thursday	15:00	25.06.2026	Thursday	9:30
Round 9	26.06.2026	Friday	9:30	26.06.2026	Friday	9:30
closing ceremony	26.06.2026	Friday	14:30	26.06.2026	Friday	14:30
The tournament is open for participants with a valid playing licence for 2026, or with a Hungarian Playing Licence (HPL) for foreign players (Hungarian Playing Licence 8.000 HUF(20 EUR)/365 days).						

Entry, accommodation, further information:

Zsolt Korpics IO

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We warmly welcome all chess players who wish to spend 7 days in a family-friendly atmosphere at Hungary's most beloved holiday destination, Lake Balaton.

The organizers reserve the right to modify the tournament announcement; any changes will be announced verbally at the venue before the first round.

