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for



The Budapest Figure Skating Fun Society kindly invites you to the

VALENTINE CUP 2020

**International Figure Skating Competition in
Single Skating for**

**RECREATIONAL
and ADULT**

**Budapest - Hungary
March 14, 2020**

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WELCOME

The Budapest Figure Skating Fun Society and the Organizing Committee are glad to invite you and your club to participate in the VALENTINE CUP 2020.

INTRODUCTION

The **Valentine Cup 2020 International Competition in Figure Skating** will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution and General Regulations 2018, the Special Regulations & Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance 2018, and the relevant ISU Communications.

All Members of the ISU and Clubs being members of National Skating Federations associated with the ISU, are invited to take part in the competition.

Participation in the Valentine Cup 2020 is open to all Competitors who belong to an ISU Member, and qualify with regard to eligibility according to Rule 102, provided their ages fall within the limits specified in Rule 108, paragraph 3 a) and they meet the participation, citizenship and residency requirements in Rule 109, paragraphs 1 through 5 in accordance with the ISU General Regulations 2016 or any update of this and ISU Communication 2030 or any update of this Communication.

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU General Regulations and ISU Communication 2030 all Skaters who do not have the nationality of the Member by which they have been entered or who, although having such nationality, have in the past represented another Member, must produce an ISU Clearance Certificate. **Passports of all Skaters, as well as the ISU Clearance Certificate, if applicable, must be presented for verification at the accreditation of the event.**

GENERAL INFORMATION

All categories according to ISU rules 2018.

Place of competition: **VASAS Ice Center**
(1046 Budapest, Homoktövis u. 1.)
Rink has an indoor 1800 m² heated center ice-rink, with a surface of 30 x 60 meters and the same size training rink.

Date: **14 March, 2020**

Organizer: **Budapest Figure Skating Fun Society**
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Professional Sponsorship: **Pavuk Figure Skating School and Sports Club** (www.pavuk.hu)

Categories: **Single Skating**
Recreational and Adult

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ENTRIES

ENTRIES BY NAME

All Members / Clubs, which are members of National Figure Skating Federations associated with the ISU, may enter competitors in each category. (Please, be aware that Club entries are only accepted in Chicks, Mini Chicks, and Cubs, Mini Cubs categories.) The OC reserves the right to limit the number of participants to one (1) Entry in each category in case of overcrowding.

ENTRIES OF JUDGES

Each participating ISU Member may nominate Judges for the event. Only ISU Championships and International Judges will be accepted. The OC reserves the right to limit the number of judges in accordance with the number of the Skaters' Entries. The Organizing Committee will only cover the board and lodging **for judges accepted in the panel only** for the period: from the dinner before the day of their activity until the end of their activity. Please, be aware that judges not involved in the panel have to cover their own expenses (board and lodging).

The confirmation of the list of Judges will be announced until 25th of February, 2020.

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES

Entries must be forwarded to the Organizing Committee using the official entry forms by

17th February 2020 at the latest

The official forms must be sent to:

VALENTINE CUP 2020 Organizing Committee

Budapest Figure Skating Fun Society

E-mail: registration@valentinecup.eu

Please note that the Organizing Committee will accept entries until the given deadline. It is not possible to make entries after it.

ENTRY FEE

55 EUR/person or 18000 HUF/person

LATE PAYMENT ENTRY FEE

If you fail to make payment until deadline the following entry fees will apply

75 EUR/person or 24000 HUF/person

PAYMENTS

Entry Fees are requested to be paid **via bank transfer until 24th February 2020 at the latest. Please note that all banking charges have to be borne by the sender.** In order to reduce the occurring banking charges, the Organizing Committee welcomes combined payment, as it is allowed to pay the entry fees for more or all skaters per club or Member Federation via one transfer. When making the payment, please use the comment field for: 'FS'+ 3-digit country code + family name of skaters (e.g. FS HUN Kovacs or ID HUN Kovacs-Kiss)

Entry fees concerning cancellations arriving after 24:00 o'clock Monday, 24th February 2020 at local time will not be paid back.

In case of no-show at the competition the entry fee will not be paid back.

There are two ways for arranging the payment:

1. Bank transfer before the event

You can make payment directly to the following bank account by putting 'FS' or 'ID' and the country code alongside the name of the skater into the comment field:

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Bank information:

Name of the Bank: ERSTE BANK ZRT
Address of the Bank: 1138 Budapest, Népfürdő u. 24-26.
Bank account name: BFSFS – Lauth Judit
Bank swift/bic code: GIBAHUHB
Bank account number: 11991119-96012730-00000000
IBAN code: HU10 1199 1119 9601 2730 0000 0000

All bank charges are taken by the payer! Please, do not miss to bring the **proof of bank transfer** with you and show it at registration. **Following the event payment by bank transfer is not possible!**

2. Cash at registration

Accepted currencies: EUR, HUF

Invoices

The Organizing Committee will issue invoices.

ACCREDITATION

The accreditation will be at the Ice Rink.

Opening hours:

| <u>Day</u> | <u>Accreditation</u> |
|--------------------|----------------------|
| March 14, Saturday | 06:00 – 20.00 |

In accordance with the ISU Directive please note that at the time of registration (Entry fee, music) we have to copy and file the passport of the Skaters (in case you happen to bring it with you or send it by e-mail beforehand it will make us very happy).

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ACCOMMODATION - Suggested Hotels

Aquaworld Resort is located in the northern part of Budapest, just off the Pest side bridgehead of Megyeri Bridge along the new M0 ring, in a green area, very close to the ice rink. Free shuttle bus runs on a daily basis between the complex and the city center (Heroes' Square). The competition shuttle bus is also available. The closest hotel to the ice rink. <http://www.aquaworldresort.hu/en/hotel>

Danubius Hotel Helia with 254 rooms can be found right on the banks of the Danube river opposite Budapest's Margaret Island and offers you great fitness, spa and conference facilities. The ice rink can be reached around 15-20 minutes by taxi, also Budapest's historic city centre.

<https://www.danubiushotels.com/en/our-hotels-budapest/danubius-hotel-helia>

Fortuna Boat Hotel is situated next to Margharet Island near to the city center of Budapest in the 3 star category. The distance from the ice rink is about 15-20 minutes by taxi (like Danubius Hotel Helia). Comfortable rooms for single, double, triple use or apartmans for 4 people and for families.

<https://fortunaboat.com/en/>

Karin Hotel is a relaxing and cozy hotel in Budapest's green belt. 20 air-conditioned double rooms. Breakfast buffet is available in a nice restaurant, location is close to the venue. <http://www.karinhotel.hu/>

Park Inn by Radisson with 205 spacious hotel rooms can be a good options for our competitors. Modern, stylish hotel, 15-20 minutes by taxi from the ice rink. The hotel is very close tot he inner city of Budapest as well.

<https://www.radissonhotels.com/en-us/hotels/park-inn-budapest?cid=a:se+b:gmb+c:emea+i:local+e:pui+d:cese+h:BUDPB>

The Aquincum Hotel Budapest with its 310 spacious bedrooms is a good options for all travellers. The Hotel is situated ont he Buda side (Óbuda), adjacent to Margaret Island alongside the River Danube. It is also close to the venue (15 min by taxi). <https://www.aquincumhotel.com/>

Vitta Hotel Superior with its 81 quality rooms and personalized services can be a good option for our competitors. The hotel is situated on the city's main artery, on the boarder of districts 13. and 4. It is on Váci street, only 10 minutes away from the venue (by taxi or shuttle bus).

<http://vittahotelbudapest.com/en/about-us>

EXPENSES

The Organizer covers the expenses of competition, organization, awards and board & lodging only for judges on duty (announced until 25th March, 2020). **Travel expenses** to and from Budapest, transfer costs to and from the Official Hotel and Airport **will not be covered** by the organizer.

The expenses for rooms and meals, travel and transfer of the Team Leaders, Competitors and other Team officials **will not be covered** by the organizer and are on the account of the Teams.

ARRIVAL OF JUDGES AND OFFICIALS

Judges and Officials taking part in the Competition are requested to announce the flight/train numbers, dates and times of arrival and departure or any other information concerning transportation to the Organizing Committee as soon as possible but no later than **10th of March 2020**.

MEETINGS FOR JUDGES AND OFFICIALS

The confirmation of the list of Judges will be announced until 25th of February, 2020.

Direct e-mails will be sent to all relevant Judges., but also please see the dates and times at www.valentinecup.eu. The same procedure applies for all other official meetings. Judges and Officials are

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responsible to make their travel arrangements in order to be able to attend the respective meetings. If any other party makes the flight arrangements, the Judges and Officials are responsible to check if such arrangements are in line with the detailed schedule.

TRANSPORTATION

Please, be aware that the Organizing Committee **does not provide** any transportation for the participants. However, we suggest that you use the Official Airport Shuttle service, Minibud, which is the official partner of Budapest Airport. **Please find more info at: <https://www.minibud.hu/en>**

GDPR

By entering all participants accept that personal data are collected by the Organizing Committee (OC) and such data are stored and used by the OC, and when necessary, third parties, for the purposes only of, and to the extent necessary only in relation to facilitate their participation in the competition; personal data may include but will not be limited to full legal name as per national identity documents, address, date of birth, nationality, sex.

INSURANCE / LIABILITY

In accordance with Rule 119, it is the sole responsibility of each Member participating in the Valentine Cup 2020, to provide medical and accident insurance for their Athletes, Officials and all other Members of the Member's team. Such insurance must assure full medical attendance and also the return of the ill or injured person to the home country by air transport or by other expeditious means. It is an internal matter of each ISU Member to decide the issue who shall pay the premium for such insurance.

The Organizer assumes no responsibility for or liability with respect to bodily or personal injury or property damage in connection incurred by Competitors and Officials.

DRAW

Draws for all the categories will be done by electronic random draw, on the day preceding the event and will be published on the same day.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE – STARTING TIMES

Please, be informed that only the category starting times are fixed and that all changes in entries and Preliminary Program might be followed at www.Valentinecup.eu and www.hunskate.hu and on the information board in the ice rink. **Please check detailed planned Category and Time Schedule below.**

MUSIC / PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT

In accordance with Communication No. 2034. Accepted formats: CD, USB, the music itself mp3 format. Also music can be uploaded through our official webpage in mp3 format.

PRESENTATION OF MEDALS

The three best placed Skaters in each event will be announced and honoured. Gold, silver and bronze medals will be presented to the medalists with presents. All participants will receive a diploma with their placement. The exact time of the Awarding Ceremonies will be announced in the detailed schedule in due time. **Please make sure that all skaters are represented at the Ceremony.**

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TECHNICAL DATA

NON-ISU Recreational and Adult Single Figure Skating categories:

I. NON-ISU Recreational Single Free Skating categories:

Skaters under the age of 10 (born on/ before 1st July 2009) may participate the competition in **Youngster categories as CUBS or CHICKS**

1. Age group **B**: born between 1st July 2007 – 30th JUNE 2009 – Bronze and Silver level
2. Age group **C**: born on/after 1st July 2004 – Bronze, Silver and Gold level
3. Age group **D**: born on/ after 1st July 2001 – Bronze, Silver, Gold level

II. Adult Single Free Skating categories:

1. Age group **A**: born after 1st July 1991 – Bronze, Silver, Gold
2. Age group **B**: born after 1st July 1981 – Bronze, Silver, Gold
3. Age group **C**: born after 1st July 1971 – Bronze, Silver, Gold
4. Age group **D**: born after 1st July 1961 – Bronze and Silver level
5. Age group **E**: born before 1st July 1961 and earlier– Bronze level

III. Adult Artistic Free Skating categories **Bronze level** for all Adult age groups **A, B, C, D, E**:

1. Artistic Free Skating **A** - born after 1st July 1991
2. Artistic Free Skating **B** - born after 1st July 1981
3. Artistic Free Skating **C** - born after 1st July 1971
4. Artistic Free Skating **D** - born after 1st July 1961
5. Artistic Free Skating **E** - born before 1st July 1961 and earlier

IMPORTANT REMARKS:

In case the number of entries it requires, competitors will be merged into united age groups!

Technical data: Calculation of scores: according to the **new ISU Judging System**

The Program Components are judged only in

- **Skating Skills**
- **Performance/Execution**
- **Interpretation**

Requirements for all age groups:

The programs can be interpretative. Different portable or stationary tools and accessories – e.g.: hat, walking stick, shawl – is allowed during the program, if it doesn't disturb the performer and its soundness. The music can be even vocal, but with appropriate lyrics.

Exceeding the limit of the music is followed by 1 point deduction per 5 sec.

Failing: 0,5 point penalty

FREE SKATING GOLD

A competitor in the Gold Free Skating event must perform a well-balanced program that may contain:

a. A maximum of **six (6) jump elements**,

- consisting of single jumps (including the single Axel) or double jumps.
- **Double Flip, double Lutz, double Axel and Triple jumps are not permitted.**
- There may be up to **three (3) jump combinations or jump sequences** in the free program. !!! One (1) jump combination may consist of up to three (3) listed jumps.
Two (2) jump combinations may consist of two (2) listed jumps.
A jump combination may consist of the same or another single or double jump, with the exception of the jumps in bold above.
!!! A jump sequence consists of 2 (two) jumps of any number of revolutions, beginning with any jumps.

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immediately followed by an Axel type jump with a direct step from the landing curve of the first jump to the take-off curve of the Axel jump. Only the two (2) listed jumps with the highest value will count towards the technical score.

- Any single and the permitted double jumps cannot be executed more than twice in total.

- b.** A maximum of **three (3) spins** of a different abbreviation,
 - one (1) of which must be a spin combination with a change of foot and
 - one (1) of which must be a flying spin.
 - The spins must have a required minimum number of revolutions:
 - four (4) for the flying spin with no change of foot after landing,
 - four (4) for the spin with only one position and no change of foot and
 - four (4) for the spin combination with no change of foot and
 - eight (4 + 4) for the spin combination with change of foot or spin in one position with a change of foot.
 - There must be a minimum of two (2) revolutions in each position or the position will not be counted.
 - Spin combinations must include a **minimum of two (2) different basic positions** with two (2) revolutions in each of these positions anywhere within the spin. **To receive full value**, a spin combination must include **all three (3) basic positions**.

- c.** A maximum of **one (1) step sequence**, fully utilizing the ice surface. Only the first executed attempt of a step sequence will contribute to the technical score.

Vocal music may be used.

The maximum time is **2 minutes 40 seconds +/-10 seconds**.

The points for each Program Component are multiplied by a factor of 1.6.

Only features up to and including **Level 3** will be counted for the spins and step sequence.

Any additional features will not count for level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

FREE SKATING SILVER

A competitor in the Silver Free Skating event must perform a well-balanced program that may contain:

- a.** A maximum of **five (5) jump elements**,
 - consisting of any single jumps (including the single Axel).
 - **Double** jumps and triple jumps are **not permitted**.
 - There may be up to **two (2) jump combinations or jump sequences** in the free program.
 - !!! One (1) jump combination may consist of up to three (3) listed jumps.
 - The other jump combination may consist of two (2) listed jumps.
 - A jump combination may consist of the same or another single jump.
 - !!! A jump sequence consists of 2 (two) jumps of any number of revolutions, beginning with any jumps, immediately followed by an Axel type jump with a direct step from the landing curve of the first jump to the take-off curve of the Axel jump. Only the two (2) listed jumps with the highest value will count towards the technical score.
 - Any single jumps cannot be executed more than twice in total.

- b.** A maximum of **three (3) spins** of a different abbreviation,
 - one (1) of which must be a spin combination.
 - The spins must have a required minimum number of revolutions:
 - three (3) for the flying spin with no change of foot after landing,
 - three (3) for the spin with only one position and no change of foot and
 - four (4) for the spin combination with no change of foot and

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- eight (4+ 4) for the spin combination with change of foot or spin in one position with change of foot.
 - There must be a minimum of two (2) revolutions in each position or the position will not be counted.
 - Spin combinations must include a minimum of two (2) different basic positions with two (2) revolutions in each of these positions anywhere within the spin. **To receive full value**, a spin combination must include all **three (3) basic positions**.
- c. A maximum of **one (1) step sequence**, utilizing at least half (1/2) of the ice surface. Only the first executed attempt of a step sequence will contribute to the technical score.

Vocal music may be used.

The maximum time is **2 minutes 10 seconds +/-10 seconds**.

The points for each Program Component are multiplied by a factor of 1.6.

Only features up to and including **Level 2** will be counted for the spins and step sequence.

Any additional features will not count for level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.

FREE SKATING BRONZE

A competitor in the Bronze Free Skating event must perform a well-balanced program that may contain:

- a. A maximum of **four (4) jump elements**,
- consisting only of single jumps.
 - **Single Axel, double jumps and triple jumps are not permitted.**
 - There may be up to **two (2) jump combinations or jump sequences** in the free program.
!!! One (1) jump combination may consist of up to three (3) listed jumps. The other jump combination may consist of two (2) listed jumps. A jump combination may consist of the same or another single jump.
!!! A jump sequence consists of 2 (two) jumps of any number of revolutions, beginning with any jumps, immediately followed by an Axel type jump with a direct step from the landing curve of the first jump to the take-off curve of the Axel type jump. Only the two (2) listed jumps with the highest value will count towards the technical score.
 - Any single jumps (except Axel, as this jump is not permitted in this category) cannot be executed more than twice in total.
- b. A maximum of **two (2) spins** of a different abbreviation,
- one of which must be a spin combination with no change of foot.
 - Flying spins **are not permitted**.
 - The spins must have a required minimum number of revolutions:
 - three (3) for the spin in one position with no change of foot,
 - four (4) for the spin combination with no change of foot and
 - six (3+3) for the spin combination with change of foot or the spin in one position with change of foot.
 - There must be a minimum of two (2) revolutions in each position or the position will not be counted.
 - Spin combinations must include a minimum of two (2) different basic positions with two (2) revolutions in each of these positions anywhere within the spin.
 - Only features up to and including **Level 1** will be counted.
- Any additional features will not be counted for level requirements and will be ignored by the Technical Panel.
- c. A maximum of **one (1) choreographic sequence** utilizing at least half (1/2) of the ice surface.
- A choreographic sequence consists of any kind of movements like steps, turns, spirals, arabesques,

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- spread eagles, Ina Bauers, hydroblading, transitional (unlisted) jumps, spinning movements
- The pattern is not restricted.
 - A choreographic sequence has a base value and will be evaluated by the judges in GOE only.

VOCAL MUSIC MAY BE USED

The maximum time is **1 minute 50 seconds +/- 10 seconds**.

The points for each Program Component are multiplied by a factor of 1.6.

ARTISTIC FREE SKATING

The artistic events will be judged only on the basis of the Program Components:

- Skating skills
- Transitions
- Performance/Execution
- Choreography/Composition
- Interpretation/Timing

See ISU Special Regulations and Technical Rules 2016, Singles & Pair Skating, Rule 504, paragraph 3 for a detailed description of Program Components. There will be no technical panel and no technical mark given. The points for each Program Component are multiplied by a factor of 1.0

The artistic program consists of a variety of skating moves selected for their value in enhancing the skater's interpretation of the music rather than for their technical difficulty. Skaters will be judged on their ability to interpret the music and develop a theme by using their skating skills. Credit for technical elements is based solely on the ability of such movements to enhance the chosen theme and support the music. Credit will not be given for their technical difficulty.

The program must be developed through skating skill and quality rather than through non-skating actions such as sliding on one knee or excessive use of toe steps, which should be used only to reflect the character of the program and to underline the rhythm and nuances of the chosen music.

The skater must not remain in one place for more than five (5) seconds.

Any element exceeding the maximum number as set forth below will be judged as an illegal element (1.0 deduction); if there is no jump or no spin element included or only a jump and no spin or vice versa a deduction for a "missing element" of 1.0 will be made. The Referee is responsible for such deductions.

Costumes should be simple, tasteful and appropriate for sporting competition. Costumes should be selected to enhance the performance by appropriately reflecting the character of the music and theme.

Props may not be used in any part of the artistic programs. Any item that is held in the hand or removed during the performance is considered a prop. Thus, for example, a hat worn throughout the program is not considered to be a prop, but if it is intentionally removed during the performance it is considered a prop.

Objects on the ice, thrown in the audience, placed on the boards or on the judges table are not permitted. Costumes that contain particles that may mar or leave anything on the ice surface (feathers, boas, excessive beading) are considered unsafe and are not permitted.

The Referee is responsible for prop deductions.

Illegal elements:

- Somersault type jumps
- Lying on the ice and prolonged and/or stationary kneeling on both knees on the ice

Artistic Free Skating Competitions will be held at one level (Bronze).

The Artistic Free Skate is a competitive program that must include elements of the sport of figure skating. At least one (1) and a maximum of two (2) single jumps MUST be included. At least one (1) and a maximum of

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two (2) spins MUST be included. No Axel type jumps, double or triple jumps are allowed. No combination jumps are allowed.

The maximum time for Bronze Artistic Free Skating is **1 minute and 40 seconds**, but may be less.
VOCAL MUSIC MAY BE USED

For further information, please contact:

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PRELIMINARY PROGRAM SCHEDULE (Subject to change)

Saturday, 14 March 2020

07:00

Competition
FS Basic Novice Girls Free
FS Basic Novice Boys Free
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