

V CHESS TOURNAMENT "YULIYAN RADULSKI MEMORIAL"

A tournament: <2400;

B tournament: for children born after 31.12.2013

Date: January 29 – February 1, 2026

Location: Plovdiv, Grand Hotel Plovdiv, Paris and Moscow Halls

Organizer: Chess Club Maritsa - Iztok, Radnevo, with the assistance of ChessBomb
Chess Club – Plovdiv

1. Purpose of the tournament:

The V "Yuliyan Radulski Memorial" is being held after a several-year hiatus, caused by the pandemic situation and other factors that affected the development of Bulgarian chess.

The tournament is dedicated to Yuliyan Radulski – one of Bulgaria's brightest grandmasters, who left not only significant sporting achievements but also a deep human mark in the hearts of all who knew him. Yuliyan was an exceptionally kind and balanced person – calm, reserved, always smiling and delicate. He possessed a rare kindness and was always ready to lend a hand to both his colleagues and young chess talents.

He sincerely believed in the power of chess to educate, inspire, and build character. He never refused to take the time to share his knowledge, experience, and love for the game with youngsters. He encouraged them with patience and love, helping them grow not only as competitors but also as individuals.

The Memorial aims to honor his human and sporting legacy, popularize chess, and continue to inspire future generations with the example Yuliyan left us.

2. ORGANIZATION OF THE TOURNAMENT:

Within the Fifth "Yuliyan Radulski Memorial" 2026 tournament, two separate tournaments will be held: Tournament A – open, participation for competitors with a rating <2400.

Tournament B - for children up to 12 years old (born after 31.12.2013).

3. RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE

All chess players who apply for participation by January 25, 2026, and pay their tournament fee by bank transfer have the right to participate in tournaments A and B.
Bank account:

Chess Club ChessBomb-Plovdiv

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Preliminary applications for participation are accepted at: genova.ruzh@gmail.com, as well as by phone: +359877657700.

4. PARTICIPATION FEES:

- Tournament A: 40 euros;
- Seniors 60+: 20 euros
- Grandmasters (GM and WGM) are exempt from participation fees.
- Tournament B: 20 euros

The organizers reserve the right not to allow players to participate who have, in the past or during the tournament, created tension and violated the basic principles of the world chess movement. GENS UNA SUMUS!

SYSTEM OF PLAY

The tournaments will be held in 7 rounds according to the Swiss system, in accordance with the FIDE tournament rules and FIDE chess regulations. The playing pairs will be determined using Swiss Manager software.

GAME CONTROL: The time control for both tournaments will be 60 minutes per player until the end of the game, with an increment of 30 seconds added before each move played, starting from the first.

TOURNAMENT VALIDITY: Both tournaments will be valid for FIDE classical chess rating.

Tournament Program:

Date	Time	Event
January 29, 2026 (Thursday)	11:30-12:30	Participant Registration
	12:30	Technical Conference
	12:45	Tournament Opening
	13:00-16:00	Round I
	17:00-20:00	Round II
January 30, 2026 (Friday)	11:00-14:00	Round III
	15:30-18:30	Round IV
January 31, 2026 (Saturday)	11:00-14:00	Round V
	15:30-18:30	Round VI
February 1, 2026 (Sunday)	10:00-13:00	Round VII

The closing ceremony will be 15 minutes after the completion of the last round! If there is interest, a Blitz tournament will be held at 15:00 on 01.02.2026 with a time control of: 3 min. + 2 sec.

5. Arbiters :

Tournament Director: Kaloyan Mateev

Chief Arbiter: WIM Ruzhka Genova - IA Arbiter

Miroslav Mitev – IA

WGM Emilia Dzhingarova - NA

GM Aleksandar Delchev – NA

6. CLASSIFICATION AND TIE-BREAK:

Ranking is based on the number of points scored. In case of a tie, the following additional indicators will be applied to determine a higher place:

1. Direct Encounter (DE)
2. Reduced Buchholz (-1) 2023
3. Buchholz 2023
4. Number of Wins (WINS)
5. Sonneborn-Berger Tie-Break

7. PRIZE FUND: Total prize fund 3000 euros

TOURNAMENT A:

GENERAL CLASSIFICATION: (I-X PLACE)

Place	Prize (€)	Place	Prize (€)
1st place	Cup + 750 €	2nd place	500 €
3rd place	350 €	4th place	200 €
5th place	150 €	6th place	100 €
7th place	60 €	8th place	50 €
9th place	40 €	10th place	40 €

SPECIAL AWARDS: FOR BEST WOMAN

Place	Prize (€)	Place	Prize (€)
1st place	Cup + 100 €	2nd place	50 €

SENIORS (60+)

Place	Prize (€)	Place	Prize (€)
1st place	100 €	2nd place	50 €

Best with ELO \leq 2000: 80 € Best with ELO \leq 1800: 80 €

TOURNAMENT B:

Place	Prize (€)	Place	Prize (€)
1st place	90 €	4th place	50 €

Place	Prize (€)	Place	Prize (€)
2nd place	70 €	5th place	45 €
3rd place	60 €	6th place	35 €

CUP FOR 1ST PLACE IN THE GENERAL CLASSIFICATION.

MEDALS FOR 1ST, 2ND AND 3RD PLACE FOR BOYS AND GIRLS UP TO 8 YEARS, UP TO 10 YEARS AND UP TO 12 YEARS, SEPARATELY.

2. Additional Provisions

Prizes are guaranteed regardless of the number of participants. All prizes are in Euros. Prizes are not divided. Prizes will be taxed in accordance with Bulgarian legislation. If entitled to 2 cash prizes, the higher one is received. In the event of an equal cash prize from the general ranking and from the special awards, the special award is received. If a competitor among women or seniors wins an award, their place is released for the next ranked participant in the general classification. Special prizes are won in the announced order in descending order according to the ranking.

10. Other conditions

- All participants are considered familiar with and have accepted the present regulations.
- The tournament will be held in accordance with FIDE Regulations.
- The organizers reserve the right to make changes to the program with prior notice.

11. Accommodation: The organizer offers the following accommodation:

GRAND HOTEL PLOVDIV

- Single room "classic": 46.02 EUR per night;
- Bed in a Double room "classic": 33.23 EUR per night;

The offered prices include:

- Use of Wi-Fi Internet;
- 9% VAT;
- Tourist tax.

Contact for reservation: 0877657700 (WhatsApp or Viber) or aleksandar.delchev@gmail.com