

## INVITATION TO COMPETITION



### *POLAR* COMPETITION IN OULU

Fencing club of Oulu has the honor to invite you to the Polar fencing competition October 4th–5th in 2008.

The competition is held for both foil and epee in both individual and team series for senior women and men.

In the Polar competition the most successful club gets the Polar challenge trophy.

The Polar competition is also a part of Merikoski cup (<http://merikoski.oulunmiekkaileuseura.fi/index.php>).

The fencers are expected to have licences and equipment which match the rules of Finnish Fencing Association.

### FORMULA

The competitions are held in separate series for women and men.

In individual series the division to preliminary rounds will be one according to the official ranking of Finnish Fencing Association. There will be one preliminary round with rounds of 5, 6 or 7 competitors.

The formula of the team series is the following:

- For less than 6 teams the team competition will be in rounds. When needed, the index will decide the winner.
- For 6–8 teams the team competition will be a direct elimination.
- If there will be more than 8 teams, the teams will be divided into A- and B-series according to the results of the preliminary round of the individual series (the total of three best results of the team) so that the teams with the highest scores will fence in the A-series. Both series will have a direct elimination.

The number of the teams in the A- and B-series depends of the total number of the teams.

number of teams in total = number of teams in A series + number of teams in B series

9 = 6 + 3  
10 = 7 + 3  
11 = 7 + 4  
12 = 8 + 4  
13 = 8 + 5  
14 = 8 + 6  
15 = 8 + 7  
16 = 8 + 8

## SCHEDULE

SATURDAY October 4th, 2008, EPEE

8.00 Linnanmaa sports hall opens.  
8.30 Men's registrations end. (Obs. Both individual and team competition!)  
9.00 Men's individual competition begins.  
10.30 Women's registrations end. (Obs. Both individual and team competition!)  
11.00 Women's individual competition begins.  
14.00 The finals of the individual competitions begin.  
15.00 The team competitions begin. (This is an estimated time. The team competitions will begin as early as possible, this is as soon as the fencers are free to start. Therefore the team competitions can already start during the individual competitions.)

SUNDAY October 5th, 2008, FOIL

8.00 Linnanmaa sports hall opens.  
8.30 Women's registrations end. (Obs. Both individual and team competition!)  
9.00 Women's individual competition begins.  
10.30 Men's registrations end. (Obs. Both individual and team competition!)  
11.00 Men's individual competition begins.  
14.00 The finals of the individual competitions begin.  
15.00 The team competitions begin. (This is an estimated time. The team competitions will begin as early as possible, this is as soon as the fencers are free to start. Therefore the team competitions can already start during the individual competitions.)

## REFRESHMENTS

There will be free snacks for competitors during the competition.

## REGISTRATION

Registration at latest 29.9.2008 by e-mail ([ilmot@oulunmiekkailuseura.fi](mailto:ilmot@oulunmiekkailuseura.fi)).

The registration fee is 15 €/weapon for those who register before 30.9.2008. The fee is personal and includes an entrance fee to both the individual and team competitions. The registration fee after 29.9.2008 is 25 €/weapon. The fee must be paid at the venue.

The fencers are reminded that they must register also their teams at latest when registering to the individual competition at the venue. You can get help in finding a team or a missing team member by asking in advance

from the contact e-mail.

## VENUE

The competition will be held in Linnanmaa sports hall, Virkakatu 1, on eight pistes.



The map to Linnanmaa sports hall can also be found in the website of Oulu (<http://kartta.ouka.fi>).

## ACCOMMODATION

Information about choices for accommodation can be found in the following websites:

[http://www.oulu.ouka.fi/matkailu/eng/hotels\\_restaurants.htm](http://www.oulu.ouka.fi/matkailu/eng/hotels_restaurants.htm)

<http://oulu.ouka.fi/city/english/>

## BUS CONNECTIONS

You can get to Linnanmaa sports hall from the centre by busses 4, 6, 7 and 19. You can take the bus 19 also directly from the airport. Timetables can be found in the website [http://www.koskilynjat.fi/in\\_english/index.html](http://www.koskilynjat.fi/in_english/index.html).

## TRAIN AND FLIGHT CONNECTIONS

<http://www.vr.fi/heo/eng/index.html>

<http://www.finnair.com>

<http://www.blue1.fi>



*In year 2007, the final of men's foil was a battle between Teemu and Paulus Tokola.  
Photo by Risto Degerman.*

Welcome to fence in Oulu!

Competition committee,

Katja Västi

Teemu Tokola

Johanna Nuojuu

Risto Degerman

Teemu Korhonen

Anna-Maria Raudaskoski

Anna Leppävuori

Ruusa Degerman

Our partners:



Oulun Miekkailutarvike: <http://www.miekkailutarvike.fi>



Sitoni Oy: <http://www.sitoni.com>