



Announcement

FIGURE SKATING COMPETITION FOR RECREATIONAL, YOUNG
ADULT AND ADULT SKATERS

SWAN CHALLENGE 2016

Bled, Slovenia

Event time: **October 22nd -23rd, 2016**
Organized by: **Skating club Labod Bled (Slovenia)**
Venue of competition: Športna dvorana Bled (Ice Rink Bled)
Address: Ljubljanska cesta 5, Bled, Slovenia
<http://www.ledena-dvorana.si/Predstavitev/Opis-dvorane>

General:

SWAN CHALLENGE 2016 will include the following disciplines:

- Ladies and Men Free Skating (Bronze, Silver, Gold, Masters)
- Ladies and Men Artistic Free Skating (Bronze, Silver, Gold, Masters)
- Pairs Free Skating (Masters and Adult)
- Pairs Artistic Free Skating (Masters and Adult)
- Ice Dancing — Pattern Dance, Short Dance, Free Dance (Bronze, Silver, Gold, Masters)

Age categories for ladies and men free skating and artistic events:

Recreational skaters born **after July 1st, 1998**, Bronze, Silver, Gold (skaters who didn't compete at the national or/and international competitions and does not have any records to compete at any national or/and international competitions)
Young adults skaters born between **July 1st, 1988 and June 30th, 1998**, Bronze, Silver, Gold, Masters

Adults:

Class I skaters born between **July 1st, 1978 and June 30th, 1988**, Bronze, Silver, Gold, Masters

Class II skaters born between **July 1st, 1968 and June 30th, 1978**, Bronze, Silver, Gold, Masters

Class III skaters born between **July 1st, 1958 and June 30th, 1968**, Bronze, Silver, Gold, Masters

Class IV skaters born between **July 1st, 1948 and June 30th, 1958**, Bronze, Silver, Gold, Masters

Class V skaters born between **July 1st, 1938 and June 30th, 1948**, Bronze, Silver, Gold, Masters

Single Artistic category divided by level: Bronze, Silver, Gold, Masters.

For **Pairs Free Skating and Ice Dancing** events both partners must have reached the age of 18 by July 1st, preceding the event and must not have reached the age of 71 by July 1st, preceding the event.

The Organizers have the right to combine categories if the number of participants requires. The judging shall be done in new system (according to ISU regulations - IJS).

Registration of entries:

Entries must be registered no later than **21st of September 2016** sent by e-mail on the following address: labodbled@gmail.com

Entry fee:

First Single event — 50 € per person

First Single event + one practice — 60 € per person

Second Single event — 25 € per person

First Pair/Ice Dance event — 60 € per pair

First Pair/Ice Dance event + one practice — 75 € per pair

Second Pair/Ice Dance event — 40 € per pair

Entries made after 21st of September 2016 will be charged extra 10 € per person and 20 € per pair. The entry fee will not be refunded in case of withdrawals.

Payment must be made via bank transfer after receiving registration confirmation, no later than 10th of October 2016.

Payments must be made to:

DRSALNO DRUŠTVO LABOD BLEĐ

Ljubljanska 5, 4260 Bled, Slovenia

Bank account:

IBAN SI56 0313 9100 0428 350 (SKB d.d.)

SWIFT: SKBAS12X

Planned Program Content sheet:

Planned Program Content sheet must be sent no later than 15.09.2016. It is not permitted to hand over the Program Content Sheets directly to the competitions Officials during the competition. Changed Program Content Sheet must be turned in upon registration. Planned Program Content sheet can be sent by e-mail on the following address: labodbled@gmail.com

Music:

Music (equipped with the full name of the competitor, club and category) on CD must be submitted to the announcer's desk before the relevant event and picked up from the same place after the event. We encourage you to send the music in advance to e-mail address: labodbled@gmail.com

Competition schedule:

Provisional:

	Thursday, 20th October	Friday, 21st October	Saturday, 22nd October	Sunday, 23rd October
morning	Practice - all	Practice - all	Ice Dance – Pattern dance	Pairs – Artistic Skating
	Practice - all	Practice - all	Pairs – Free Skating	Single – Artistic Skating
afternoon	Off -ice turistic activities	Off -ice turistic activities	Single – Free Skating	Ice Dance – Free Skating
evening	Off -ice turistic activities	Off –ice turistic activities	Ice Dance – Short Dance	
			Practice – all	
			Banquet	

A detailed time schedule will be available 7 days before the competition at the competition website www.labod-bled.si

Final timetable shall be announced at the opening draw.

Accreditation:

All event officials, competitors, coaches etc. are requested to register at the „Information and Registration desk“ at the Ice Rink upon arrival.

Practice:

Practice will take place at the Bled Ice Rink and will be available on Thursday 20th October, Friday 21st October and Saturday evening, 22nd October. Practice fee is 10 € per person/per practice and should be announced with entry and paid in advance via bank transfer or on the spot in cash. Music can be played on CD's. Practice groups will be made by skater's level. There is no guarantee to join the practice without the registration.

Off ice activities:

On Thursday October 20 in the afternoon a trip to Bled island with traditional Pletna boats will be organised. The fee of 22 EUR includes roundtrip to Bled island, entrance fee to the church, museum and the tower plus traditional Slovenian cake »potica« with one warm drink (tee or coffee).

Reception for all on Thursday evening!

Individual travel suggestions can be made according to the participants travel plans. Please contact the organisers if you wish to receive additional tips.

Banquet:

The dinner party for participants and their guests will be held after the competition on Saturday, October 22. Banquet party price is 30 € per person with one drink included.

Expenses:

The organizer does not pay any expenses of the teams. Travel expenses and accommodation will be covered by the participants. Expenses related to the competition's technical management will be covered on account of the entry fees and sponsorship by the Organizer.

Protocol:

Protocol shall be available at the Labod Bled Skating Club www.labod-bled.si. The Organizers shall not provide print-outs or CD-s.

Accommodation:

Recommended hotels with special price for SWAN CHALLENGE participants and guests are:

	single room	double room
Hotel Kompas****	83 EUR BB (100 EUR HB)	100 EUR BB (134 EUR HB)
Hotel Lovec Best Western****	88 EUR BB (105 EUR HB)	105 EUR BB (139 EUR HB)
Hotel Savica***	72 EUR HB	92 EUR HB
Hotel Astoria***	55 EUR BB (60 EUR HB)	70 EUR BB (80 EUR HB)

All four hotels are within 5 minutes walk from the ice rink and Bled lake shore. Bled is a tourist place with many restaurants very close to the Ice Hall, therefore we suggest to leave the lunch options open to individual choices (expected cost is up to 10 EUR per meal).

For booking a room with special price please fill in the hotel registration form and send it to labodbled@gmail.com as soon as possible as the number of hotel rooms is limited. For booking a triple room or an apartment, please contact the organizer at labodbled@gmail.com.

All the hotels offer free parking and Wi-Fi, most of them also free entrance to the Pool/Wellness facilities.

Liability:

In accordance with ISU Rule 119, the Organizer accepts no liability for injury or for property loss or damage incurred by Competitors or Officials. Each club is expected to provide its own insurance protection.

Additional Information and Contact Persons:

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