

TRAVEL

BY AIR TO SWEDEN

From Stockholm, 200 km to Örebro, continue by train or rentalcar
From Gothenburg, 300 km to Örebro, continue by train or rentalcar
From Nyköping/Västerås, 150 km to Örebro, continue by train or rentalcar

BY CAR TO SWEDEN

E18 from Stockholm, approx. 200 km
E18 from Gothenburg, approx. 300 km
E4 from Malmö, approx. 600 km

BY TRAIN

You can go from any major city within Sweden; see www.sj.se for more details.

ACCOMODATION

We have managed to negotiate special bridge discounts at the following hotels. The distance mentioned is how far it is to the venue, Conventum Arena, where all bridge is played.

Scandic Grand » +46-19-767 43 00 » orebrogrand@scandic-hotels.com » 20 meters
Scandic Väst. » +46-19-767 44 00 » orebrovast@scandic-hotels.com » 3 km
Best Western City Hotell » +46-19-601 42 00 » info@cityhotellorebro.se » 300 meters
Behrn Hotell » +46-19-12 00 95 » info@bernhotell.se » 400 meters
Clarion Hotel Örebro » +46-19-670 67 00 » Orebro@hkchotels.se » 300 meters
Quality Hotel Örebro » +46-19-20 50 00 » q.orebro@choice.se » 4 km
First Hotel Örebro » +46-19-611 73 00 » boka@hotellorebro.se » 600 meters
Elite Stora Hotellet » +46-19-15 69 00 » info.orebro@elite.se » 500 meters
Gustavsviks Camping (Cottages) » +46-19-19 69 50 » camping@gustavsvik.se » 1,5 km

The cost of accomodation at the hotels depend on the total number of nights. Contact the hotel of your choice for more information. In general the prices are about:

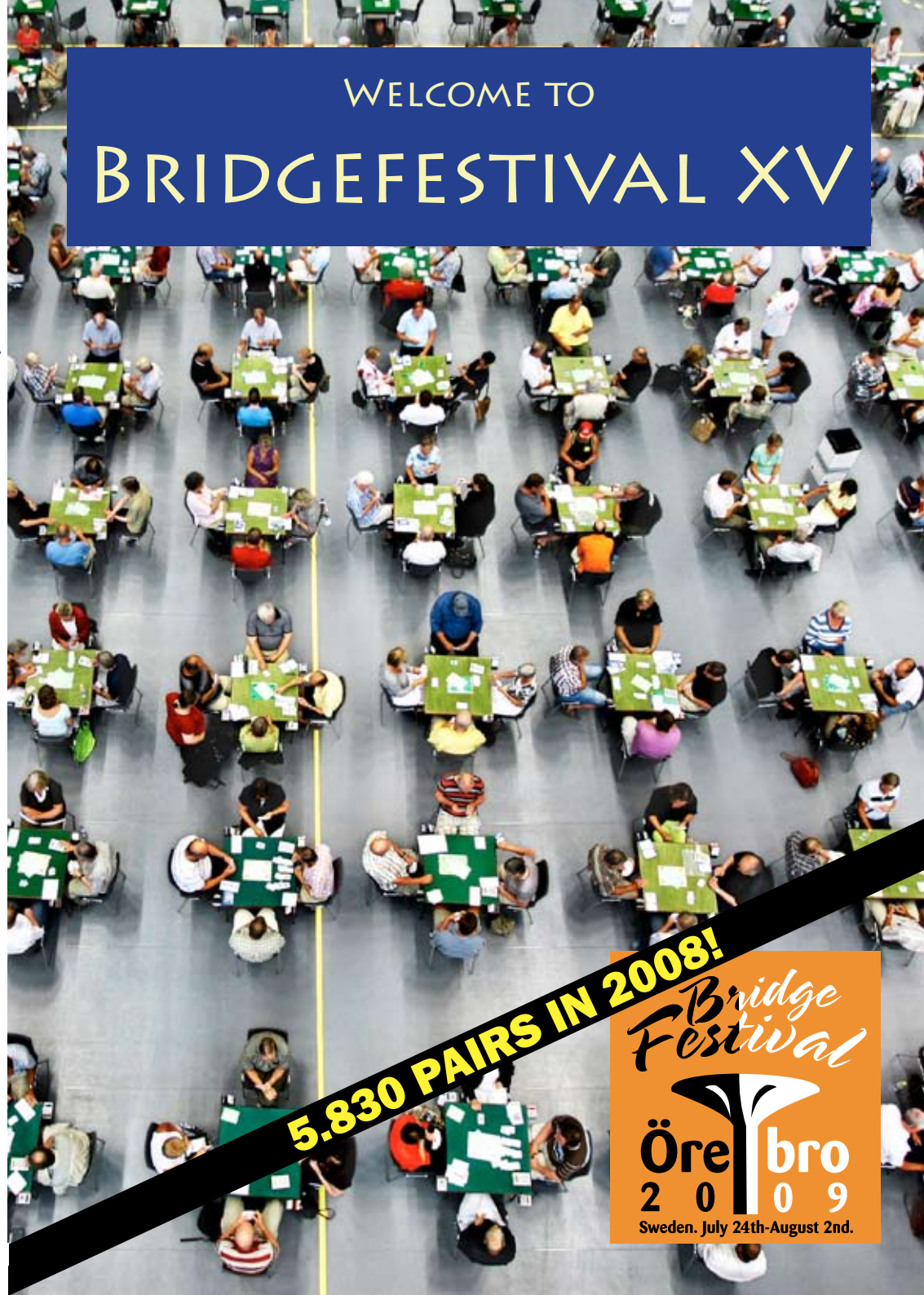
- » SEK 750 for single or SEK 850 for double when staying only 1 night.
- » SEK 700 for single or SEK 800 for double when staying 2-4 nights.
- » SEK 650 for single or SEK 750 for double when staying 5+ nights.

Book and pay for your room before June 15th 2009 and you receive a 50 SEK discount per room and night. Use the code "BRIDGE09" to get the discounts and special prices.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Check www.svenskbridge.se or contact mme@svenskbridge.se



WELCOME TO BRIDGEFESTIVAL XV



5.830 PAIRS IN 2008!

Bridge
Festival

Örebro
2009

Sweden, July 24th-August 2nd.

BRIDGEFESTIVAL XV

We play at Conventum Arena, in Örebro, Sweden. 4000 square meters is reserved for the bridge, with more than 350 tables in play at the same time. Parallel to the festival we also arrange the finals of all the Swedish national pair events and the Chairman's Cup. More information about the venue at <http://www.conventum.se>.

ENTRY FEES, PRIZES AND MASTER POINTS

Entry fees per player are SEK 80 (Bronze), SEK 150 (Silver) and SEK 250 (Gold). There are cash prizes in all tournaments. 40% of the entry fees are going directly back to the cash prizes and there is also add-on prizes if the tournament is sponsored. Master points are awarded for all tournaments.

NO PRE-REGISTRATION

You don't have to register your entry (except Chairman's Cup). We use the "drop-in-and-play" method, all tournaments start on scheduled time - we never wait for anyone who is late - so arrive in time and enjoy!

| | Bronze 10.00 | Bronze 14.30 | Silver 15.00 | Bronze 18.30 | National Finals | Chairman's Cup | Mini knock-out | Gold pairs | |
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| Friday 24 July | | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | | | | |
| Saturday 25 July | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | | | |
| Sunday 26 July | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | | | |
| Monday 27 July | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | | |
| Tuesday 28 July | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | | 👍 | 👍 | | Party and dinner in evening! |
| Wednesday 29 July | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | | |
| Thursday 30 July | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | | |
| Friday 31 July | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | | | | |
| Saturday 1 August | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | 👍 | | | 👍 | |
| Sunday 2 August | 👍 | | | | 👍 | | | 👍 | |

The programme will be confirmed in November 2008, and there may be some small changes made.

Bronze pairs are all one session events played over 24 boards, silver are 42 boards and Mini KO's 24. The gold tournament are the only two session event with 64 boards. To be able to play in the national finals you need to qualify beforehand.

CHAIRMAN'S CUP

The Chairman's Cup is an open teams event played at Conventum, Örebro. It starts with a Swiss Teams qualifying and ends with knock-out matches. The name of the event comes from the Chairman of the Swedish Bridge Federation, Mats Qviberg, being the sponsor.

The Chairman's Cup is played from Saturday 25 July to Thursday 30 July. There is a captain's meeting on Saturday 25 July at 12.00.

ENTRY FEES

Swiss Teams: At most SEK 2.000 per team (SEK 125 per junior, SEK 500 per senior)
Monday and on: SEK 500 per team

CASHPRIZE DISTRIBUTION

1st: SEK 50.000
2nd: SEK 30.000
3rd: SEK 12.000
4th: SEK 8.000
5th - 8th: SEK 2.500

**FREE ENTRY FOR ALL
NATIONAL TEAMS**

EUR 1 equals approximately SEK 9.5

MASTER POINTS & TROPHY

There are master points in different categories depending in which of the parts of the tournament you are participating. A trophy is awarded to the winning team with replicas.

FORMAT

- * The Chairman's Cup starts on Saturday and Sunday with a Swiss Teams qualifying. The number of qualifying teams for the knock-outs depend on number of starting teams.
- * Starting from Tuesday there will be quarter-finals, semi-finals and final, all full-day 64 board matches. A 3rd place 32 board play-off is also played parallel to the final on Thursday.
- * Monday afternoon 16 teams play 32 board knock-out matches.
- * Monday mid-day offers the following:
 - The teams having qualified (between 24 and 28 teams) play 32 board knock-out matches.
 - Teams failing to qualify can play the repechage for the remaining places (2-4 slots). This is a 30 board Swiss Teams event.
- * If there are 80 or more participating teams there will be a knock-out match Sunday afternoon.

SCREENS AND VUGRAPH

Starting from the semi-finals screens will be used. From quarter-finals it will be broadcast on the internet.

**ENTRIES TO
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