

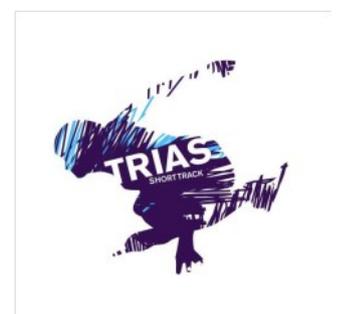


Announcement



**StarClass & Junior Challenge (ABS-3)
Leeuwarden - Netherlands**

24 - 26 Februari 2023





On 24 - 26 February 2023 Shorttrack Club TRIAS is organizing under auspices of the Royal Skating Association of the Netherlands (KNSB), in the 11-Stedenhal Ice rink in Leeuwarden, a competition in the ISU supported Short Tack Junior Challenge series. The competition will be organized for the age categories Junior-A and Junior-B combined in one Junior Challenge category and Seniors. It is a qualifying event for the Europa Cup Final of StarClass and Danubia Cup series for the Junior Challenge category. The competition will be organized in accordance with the 2022 Regulations of the International Skating Union, the Memorandum for European Competition series 2022-2023 and the conditions included in this announcement. In accordance with the criteria for ISU financial support through an ISU project, this competition will target the Junior Challenge Category. This category includes all skaters with an age eligible to compete in the ISU World Junior Championships 2023.

Entry for competition

Entry is open to Skaters of all ISU Members and their affiliated clubs. Entries will only be accepted if skaters are entered into the correct age category that their birth date qualifies them for.

Junior Challenge category

For the Junior Challenge category (combined Junior A and B) the total number of entries is limited to 70 for Women and 70 for Men. The European Series Coordinators are assigned to supervise the Entry process. However, if there are less entries for either Women or Men more entries might be possible for the other gender. For the purpose of controlling the number of entries the participating field is divided in the following regions:

Host country - StarClass Region - Dabubia Region - Rest of the World

For all Skaters indicative time limits have been set based on a regional representation:

500m	StarClass	Danubia	Other
Women	48.40	47.53	47.53
Men	45.17	44.36	44.36

- * These time limits are respectively 12% / 10% slower than the World Record for Juniors.
- * The entry of Skaters who have skated the above time limits are directly confirmed.
- * Other Skaters will be placed on a waiting list.

If, at the moment of the closing on entries (10 days before the Competition), more than 70 entries per gender have been received, the organizer will rank the skaters entered on the waiting list by their time over 500 meter. Based on this order the Skaters will be accepted or rejected as participants and the entity that entered them in the waiting list will be informed immediately.

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Seniors category

The required time limits are 48.65 for Women and 45.83 for Men over 500 m. These times are 16% slower than the World Record. Also for Seniors the principle of a waiting list will be applied.

Competition Categories

Age before July 1st preceding the competition:

Junior Challenge Women & Men 15, 16, 17 and 18 age

Seniors Women and Men above 19 age

Qualifying Times

Skaters may be entered who have attained any one of the Qualifying Times, as specified above, in a Mass Start Competition. (Listed on a Members Calendar, ISU International Calendar and ISU Events). To be considered, times must have been achieved after July 1st 2021. Proof must be supplied by submitting time date and venue of the Event.

Conditions of contest

The Qualifying Schedule on each distance will include a Repechage Round and is for all concluded with a Final, Final A, Final B or a Ranking Final. This system is used to simulate the procedures at World Junior Championships and to guarantee a minimum number of races to all participants. In case of an unmanageable number of entries reductions can be made by the Organizing Committee in close cooperation with the European Series

Coordinators.

Further in the case of unmanageable numbers of entry distances may be skated with a Knock Out qualification and, if necessary, distances may be removed from the program

Classification

The Junior A and B will participate together and there will be 3 classifications; Junior B, Junior A and Junior A and B combined. The Overall Classification will be made following Rule 295, paragraph 6 and Rule 295, paragraph 8. However skaters who can not start on any of the distances due to a medical reason will be ranked in the Overall Classification. For this purpose they will be ranked after the last regular skater on the missing distance.

Distances

The distances for all categories are: 1500m, 500m and 1000m.

A Relay will be held over 3000m; the Mixed Team Relay will be held over 2000m.

Track Conditions

The track is an artificially refrigerated indoor ice surface with the measures of 30x60 meters. The protective padding is in accordance with ISU Communication No. 2178. The standard track will be laid out 111.12 meters to the lap with measured curves of 8,5 meters and there will be 7 markers used to establish the curve. The length of the straight is 28,85 meters. Besides the original track there will be 6 tracks set up to preserve good ice conditions. For all tracks one finish line will be used.

Award of Prizes

Awards will be given in each category to the first three places in the final of each distance and for the first three places in the Overall classification. During the award ceremonies, the skaters should be in club or National track suit.

Medical Assistance

Doctor and paramedical personnel will be present at the competition days. There will be an adequate response time for an ambulance to be on site in case of need.

Medical Insurance

It is the sole responsibility of each member, on behalf of its participating clubs, to ensure or provide medical and accident insurance for their athletes. Proof of such can be requested by the Organizing Committee. See I.S.U Rule 119.

Liability

In accordance with I.S.U Rule 119, the Organizing Committee assumes no responsibility with respect to medical, bodily or personal injury or property loss or damage sustained or caused in connection with this Competition.

Preliminary program

On Friday and Saturday the program will be divided in two parts, depending on the number of entries.

Thursday 23 februari:	17:30 – 20:00	Team check in
Friday 24 februari:	08:00	Team Check in
	08:30	Team Leader Meeting
	09:00	Warming up
	10:00	Start of competition
Saturday 26 November:	08:30	Start of competition
Sunday 27 November:	08:30	Start of competition
	14:00	approx end of competition

The program and starting are tentative and subject to changes by the organizing club, the European Series Coordinators and the Referee. A more detailed program will be published in the week before the competition on: www.shorttrackonline.info

HELPDESK OC AT ICE RINK

The OC Helpdesk will be situated in the Ice rink. Here team leaders can collect the helmet covers, get information and do all payments for entry and vouchers. The helpdesk is open on:

Thursday:	17:30 – 20:00 hr
Friday:	08:00 – 12:00 hr
Saturday:	08:00 – 12:00 hr
Sunday:	08:00 – 15:00 hr

Entry procedure

In accordance with ISU regulations entries can only be made by the Member of the International Skating Union. With the approval of the respective ISU Member, Clubs belonging to this Member may take care of the actual administrative process to make the entries. All entries for the Junior Challenge Series and StarClass competitions must be made on the website:

www.Shorttrackonline.info

Password for login into Entry system

Clubs have a special password for login to the entry page for International Competitions. If not available you can apply for an login on the Entry Page of the website. Federations can not use their password for ISU Championships or World cups for these competitions; they need a separate password for this. It will take a few days to check the validity of the request before receiving login data.

Preliminary entry submitted as soon as possible but not later than Januari 31, 2023

The preliminary entry should contain the following information:

- name and address of the club making the entry
- number of athletes
- number of accompanying Officials
- estimated time and day of arrival by car, train or airplane
- estimated number of vouchers for meals

Final entry submitted not later than Februari 14, 2023

The final entry must be in the correct category, i.e. participants or waiting list, and must include the following:

- surname, first name and gender of the competitor
- date of birth of the competitors
- personal best time on the 500m in the season 2020-2021 or 2021-2022
- name of the accompanying officials
- official time and day of arrival by car, train or airplane
- as accurate as possible number of meal vouchers

In accordance with Rule 295, paragraph 4.e, entries must be made 10 days in advance.

Entry Fee

An Entry Fee of 50,00 euro must be paid for each accredited athlete. Per club one coach or team leader do not have to pay the Entry Fee. For additional Coaches / Teamleaders / Team officials there is an entry fee of 10 euro.

Payments must be done in cash in the correct amount at the Registration desk at arrival.

Helmet cover/Race number deposit

A deposit of 10,00 euro pp with a maximum of 50,00 euro per team has to be paid and will be returned after the competition when returning the helmet covers at the helpdesk.

Request to Team Leaders

All Team Leaders are very urgently requested to inform the organizer of any changes in the team before departure from home. Competitors must be present at the 11 Steden Ice rink at latest 09.00 on Friday 24 Februari 2023 or the organizing Committee must have received document proof that the competitors are in transit and will arrive in due time for the Competition.

Hotels Leeuwarden



WTC Hotel
Heliconweg 52
8914 AT Leeuwarden
Tel: 0031-58-2334900

www.westcordhotels.nl

This hotel is 5 minutes walk
and 3 minutes by car from



Eurohotel
Europaplein 20
8915 CL Leeuwarden
Tel: 0031-58-2131113

www.eurohotel.nl

This hotel is 5 minutes walk
and 3 minutes by car from the
ce rink.



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This hotel is 10 minutes by car
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