

National Dancesport & Paradancesport event with open competition

Event Invitation

We, the good folks at Telemark Team Dancesport and Paradancesport Club in Oulu, Finland wish to announce :

Joint Dancesport & Paradancesport event to be held Saturday 19th of September 2020 in Oulu, Finland. The competition event is accredited by both the Finnish dancesport federation STUL and the Finnish paradancesport federation PYTLI. Telemark Team itself is a club for both dancesport and paradancesport athletes.

That Saturday in September will be a day with competition events running in breathtaking pace. Estimated 150 dancesport athletes, with and without wheelchairs, are showing their best to audiences up to 400 spectators.

Paradancesport athletes will compete in three levels: newcomer, amateur and champion. Non-Finnish athletes are expected to compete in level which applies best to their own national level. Additionally there is an Open competition, which has the same dances as champion level, but no classification is required. In other disciplines the athletes are expected to have valid classification, 1 or 2.

Being non-IPC national event, the usual perks of major paradancesport competitions will not be there. Accommodations should be reserved directly from hotels, required transportations directly from taxi companies. You'll find contact information of major chain hotels and respectable taxi companies at the end of the fact sheet.

Organizing club	Telemark Team / Wheelchair dance division
Date	Saturday 19 th of September 2020
Competition classification	National, with Open competition
Address	Linnanmaan liikuntahalli (Linnanmaa sport center) Virkakatu 1, 90570 Oulu
Competition disciplines	<div>Newcomer single<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conventional: Waltz, samba• Freestyle</div> <div>Newcomer duo<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conventional: Waltz, tango, samba, cha cha• Freestyle</div> <div>Newcomer combi<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conventional: Waltz, tango, samba, cha cha• Freestyle</div> <div>Amateur single<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conventional: Waltz, tango, samba, rumba• Freestyle</div> <div>Amateur duo<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conventional std. Waltz, tango, viennese waltz, quickstep• Conventional latin: Samba, cha cha, rumba, paso doble• Freestyle</div> <div>Amateur combi<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conventional std. Waltz, tango, foxtrot, quickstep• Conventional latin: Samba, cha cha, rumba, jive• Freestyle</div> <div>Champion + Open single<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conventional: Waltz, tango, samba, rumba, jive• Freestyle</div> <div>Champion + Open duo<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conventional std. Waltz, tango, v.waltz, fox, quickstep• Conventional latin: Samba, cha cha, rumba, paso doble, jive</div>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Freestyle <p>Champion + Open combi</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conventional std. Waltz, tango, v.waltz, fox, quickstep • Conventional latin: Samba, cha cha, rumba, paso doble, jive • Freestyle <p>Each discipline dances minimum of two rounds. In case there are not enough competitors to eliminate, the first round is not viewed by adjudicators.</p>
Event director	Mr. Timo Pukkila
Adjudicators	<p>Ms. Pia Keränen</p> <p>Ms. Raili Tilli</p> <p>Mr. Mika Jauhiainen</p> <p>Mr. Toni Tuominen</p> <p>Ms. Nitta Iliev</p>
Entry fee	<p>40e for couple, 20e for single dancer per each competition category</p> <p>One entry fee entitles to take part in one Freestyle-standard-latin competition set to which athlete's national ranking level entitles, in single, duo or combi.</p> <p>If athlete wishes to compete in more than one set of competitions, additional entry fees are charged.</p> <p>Example: A couple competes in amateur combi. Couple is charged 40e, and can dance their freestyle and the amateur standard and latin dances. If the wheelchair user of that couple also wishes to compete in single category, additional 20e will be charged. With the 20e the athlete can then compete single freestyle and single four dances.</p> <p>Similar additional entry fee applies standing couples, if they wish to take part in higher discipline as competition rules allow.</p>
Floor	<p>Parquet, rectangle, minimum of 250 m².</p> <p>Competition venue has two floors.</p> <p>Any non-eliminating preview rounds are danced on floor 2, which is not viewed by adjudicators. They will judge competition events on floor 1.</p>
How to apply	<p>Via email: Send name, represented team, nationality, categories which you wish to take part – Athletes only competing in couples categories can send one email for both – to our competition secretary Ms. Salla Kaikkonen salla.maria2@gmail.com</p>
Application deadline	Friday 28 th of August 2020
Attendee requirements	Athletes eligible for competing must meet requirements to compete in their own national rules and have insurance for sporting events. Athletes taking part to newcomer, amateur or champion disciplines must have valid classification of 1 or 2. Open competition does not require athlete to be classified.
Classification observation	Ms. Katriina Lahti
Competition rules	The Finnish national para-dancesport competition rules, dated 7-Apr-2019, apply. Exceptions concerning Event Director and Adjudicator qualifications for para-dancesport are accepted by the Finnish Para-dancesport federation.
Accommodation	<p>Major chain hotels offer some accessible rooms, inquiries directly</p> <p>Radisson Blu Oulu +358 20 1234 730 https://www.radissonhotels.com/en-us/hotels/radisson-blu-oulu</p> <p>Sokos Hotel Arina +358 8 3123 111</p>

	https://www.sokoshotels.fi/en/oulu/sokos-hotel-arina Scandic Oulu City +358 8 543 1000 https://www.scandichotels.com/hotels/finland/oulu/scandic-oulu-city All mentioned hotels are in city center, approximately 15 min taxi ride from the competition venue.
Taxi	Otaxi +358 600 30081 https://www.otaxi.fi/en/otaxi-services/ FixuTaxi +358 100 6060 https://www.fixutaxi.fi
Further inquiries	Mr. Jyrki Vesikko, jyrki.vesikko@iki.fi www.telemarkteam.fi

But wait, there's more!

On Sunday the 20th of September Telemark Team wheelchair dance division is hosting a paradance camp in (or near) Oulu.

Day will run from 10 to 15 (3 p.m.). It will comprise of three 1,5 h slots of teaching, with short break for something to chew. Exact details are work in progress. We'll be inviting at least one of the previous day's adjudicators and then preferably two others to teach during that day.

Application and inquiries go as with competition. Apply to Salla, preferably with the same email you'll be sending concerning competitions. Any questions, concerns, wishes or high hopes, talk to Jyrki. I'm sure it can be fixed.

So now there's two good reasons to visit Oulu in September, how many do you need?