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A warm welcome to the 6th edition of Aland Invitational, 9-11 of May 2025!

We are happy to be able to host this competition again and that the word is spreading. This time we have participants from Åland, Finland, Sweden, Norway, Belgium and the UK and a record in numbers of competitors!

Our main focus is to organise a competition that is exciting and different for the gymnasts. The gymnasts are our priority and together as organisers, coaches and judges we will do everything we can to make it a memorable experience.

Competition area: The training and competition will be held in GymnastikArena Åland, Verkaregränd 2, 22120 Mariehamn, situated about 3 km from the town centre.

Apparatus:

Vault: Gymnova

Uneven bars: Gymnova Balance beam: Gymnova Floor exercise: Diony

The schedule has been updated according to the number of gymnasts. Allow for minor adjustments.

Overall schedule:

Thursday: 15.00-20.30 Training Easy FIG

Friday 08.00 Warm up Easy FIG sub 1

11.15 Warm up Easy FIG sub 2 14.30 Warm up Easy FIG sub 3 18.30-21.00 Training Modified FIG

Saturday 08.00 Warm up Easy FIG sub 4

10.30 Award ceremony Easy FIG
10.45 Warm up Modified FIG sub 1
13.30 Warm up Modified FIG sub 2
16.30 Award ceremony Modified FIG
18.30 Social evening with food and games

Sunday 08.45 Warm up Event Finals

12.30 Award ceremony Event Finals Mod and Easy

The subdivisions will be according to clubs, not age groups. Due to the large number of gymnasts in Easy FIG, subdivision four will take place on Saturday (GymÅ, TaSi and HGK). A detailed schedule and the subdivisions will be published on our website shortly.

Lunch: Will be served on Friday (approx 11.30-15.00) and Saturday (approx 11.00-14.00). Pre-orders only. Non-refundable price: 11 euro per person.

Café: we will have a small café in the gym, where it is possible to buy coffee and snacks.

Judges: we will be using the result service Sport Event Systems and we ask the judges to bring their own tablet, laptop or phone in order to input the scores. Wifi will be provided. Judges will be served lunch as well as light refreshments during the day. Judging panels will be published two weeks before the competition. Judging related queries to be sent to malin@gymnastik.ax.

Competition merch: Aland Invitational t-shirt. Logo and flags on the front, participating clubs on the back. Unisex sizes from XS-XXL. Non-refundable price 23 euro per person. Pre-order only. Picture of the 2023 t-shirt below (will be updated with correct clubs, dates and flags).



A sales representative from the gymnastics shop Voimistelukauppa Flikki (flikki.fi) will be selling leotards and other accessories during the competition.

Social event: a social gathering with food and games will be held at Mariepark in the harbour of Mariehamn on Saturday evening. All welcome, travelling spectators as well. Non-refundable price 22 euro per person. Includes a pizzabuffé and soft drink. Pre-order only.

Shuttle bus: There is a good bus service on weekdays from city centre to the gym. No public transport on weekends. If there is demand for a shuttle bus from the town centre, this will be organised on Saturday and Sunday. The timetable will be made up suit the competition schedule:

The time table and number of shuttles will be calculated according to the number of tickets ordered. Anyone can purchase tickets. One ticket for the whole weekend. Approximate price is 12-15 euros per person, again subject to numbers. The exact route and timetable will be communicated later, but place of departure will be close to the hotels in town.

Music: the gymnasts' floor music needs to be submitted in an MP3-format. Please use following format: competition class, club, firstname and lastname (Mod_GymÅ_YlvaWatkins). Send to gymnasticsaland@gmail.com by the 23.4.

Deadlines: 7.4 for all extras. Please use the google form that can be found on the website.

Travelling to and from Åland: Information and contact details to ferry companies and hotels can be found on our website.

Additional information: Going forward, information regarding subdivisions, judging panels, training times, social event etc will be published on the website of Gymnastics Åland gymnastik.ax/aland-invitational/

For more information and/or any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch:

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