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## 8<sup>th</sup> Georg Holek Cup – Olomouc, Czech Republic International Veterans Rugby Tournament Information & Invitation

*Rugby Club Olomouc have the pleasure to invite you to the:*

*8<sup>th</sup> Georg Holek Cup*

*23 – 25<sup>th</sup> September 2010*

*in Olomouc, Czech Republic*



### 1) PROGRAMME 23<sup>RD</sup> – 25<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2010:

- Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> - Arrive in Olomouc, Reception party including drinks + dinner
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> - Rugby Tournament, followed by free evening
- Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> - Rugby Tournament, followed by dinner, prizes & farewell party

### 2) FORMAT OF THE EVENT:

- Age of players: - All players must be 40+
- Maximum teams: - Event is limited to 12 teams
- Match Rules: - Standard rugby XV rules including usual veteran modifications (e.g. unlimited substitutions, no pushing in the scrums, no kicking outside the 22m and no lifting in the line outs)

### 3) ENTRY FEES & PAYMENT DATES:

- Deposit - 100 Euros per team, to be paid by the 28<sup>th</sup> February 2010
- Final Payment - 80 Euros per person due by the 30<sup>th</sup> June (players & non players)  
Which covers:
  - Thursday reception
  - Saturday dinner & farewell party
  - Tournament kitty, e.g. prizes, souvenirs for each participant

#### 4) PROCESS OF REGISTRATION – IMPORTANT DATES

**By 28<sup>th</sup> Feb 10:** - entry form for the team needs to be completed  
- 100 Euro payment for the team (non refundable)  
- information on hotel requirements, expected number of people, required standard...etc (see below)

**By 30<sup>th</sup> June 10:** - 80 Euro payment per participant (players and non players) to be paid  
- Final list of names of participants

***RC Olomouc reserves the right to cancel a team's registration / exclude them from the tournament if this payment is not received in full by 30<sup>th</sup> June.***

#### 5) TO / FROM OLOMOUC, CZECH REPUBLIC

Olomouc is 300 km to the East of Prague and 250 km North of Vienna. Each team are expected to make their own way to Olomouc and that most teams will arrive by road / bus. However for those travelling from further away, flight options include:

**a) Prague** followed by train to Olomouc

**b) Brno & Ostrava** airports are nearest but have limited flights

**c) Vienna & Bratislava** are nearer than Prague but less well connected with public transport to Olomouc.

If you have any questions or want any advice on getting to Olomouc, please contact us.

#### 6) ACCOMMODATION:

Accommodation in Olomouc is fairly limited, therefore we have made some provisional reservations to offer 3 standards, basic, normal and superior. Prices will be confirmed in the New Year.

#### 7) LIABILITIES

All participants must respect rules and regulations of the Event for the matches as well as laws and regulations valid in the Czech Republic. Every team and individual undertakes to be sufficiently insured for injury, damages, loss, etc., and any other eventuality resulting from their participation in the Event or from their stay in the Czech Republic. The Organising Committee and any persons involved in the organisation of the Event will not be liable for any injuries, illness, loss, theft, damages or other arising from their participation in the Event or during their stay in the Czech Republic. All participants fully agree with these Terms and Conditions and oblige to respect and keep them.

Any questions, please ask  
David Walch  
On behalf of the organising Committee

# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

## A) GEORG HOLEK & HISTORY OF THE TOURNAMENT



Georg (Jiri) Holek was a great rugby gentleman and our common friend. He was born in 1939 in Moravia and a great part of his life he spent in the former Czechoslovakia. He played rugby for Slavia VSZ Brno which still exists but now called RC Brno Bystrc.

He was known not only as a fair and good player but also as an excellent organizer. In 1982 living in Germany, he founded Rugby Club Konstanz. However, he never forgot his own family roots in Czechoslovakia and it was especially thanks to him that the strong links between Czech and German veteran rugby were established and developed.

He was the initiator of regular games between the German and Czech national veteran teams but his vision led him further to the idea of organising a rotating pan European veteran rugby tournament.

He spent a lot of effort implementing his dream which finally came true, and thanks to his friends, successors, as well as new participants and last but not least, thanks to his wife, Trudi - the tournament is still alive under his name -

Georg Holek Cup..... hence the motto:

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History of Georg Holek Tournaments		
2001	Kostnice	Germany
2002	Prague	Czech Rep
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2004	Bern	Switzerland
2005	Rottweil	Germany
2006	Kiev	Ukraine
2007	Barcelona	Spain
2008	Prague	Czech Rep
2009	Rottweil	Germany
2010	Olomouc	Czech Rep

## B) OLOMOUC INTRODUCTION / HISTORY



The ancient town of Olomouc lies in the heart of Moravia. Its history dates back to the 10th century AD when it became an important trade crossing-point. It has the second most significant collection of historical monuments in the country after Prague. The second oldest university in the Czech lands was founded in Olomouc in 1573. Olomouc was considered the capital of Moravia from the Luxemburgian period up until the 17th century. During the Thirty Years War with the town's occupation by the Swedish army, the town was destroyed to a large extent and lost its leading position.

Today, the city has a population of over 100,000 inhabitants. It is the fifth largest city in the Czech Republic and the head of the Olomouc Region. At present, the city is experiencing major development in the areas of culture, accommodation, food, dining and tourism. It has a great deal to offer both socially and culturally.



See websites for further information:

<http://www.olomouc.eu/eng/>

<http://www.olomouc-tourism.cz/index.php?>

Olomouc Rugby Club was started in 1953 and warmly welcomes all teams.



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