

The ACP Board Newsletter – # 1/2010



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1) The 4th ACP World Rapid Cup

Bank PIVDENNY will once again be the organizer and main financial partner of the 4th ACP World Rapid Cup. The 4th ACP WRC will be a KO tournament. The time control will be 20 minutes per game with an increment of 5 seconds per move.

16 players will fight for the Cup: the 13 best grandmasters of the ACP Tour 2008/2009 + 3 Wild Cards given by the organizers. The full list of participants will be published shortly.

Detailed information can be found on the tournament's site www.worldcup.pivdenny.com.

Tournament Director Maria Klinova: mklinova@rambler.ru, cell +38-0674839371

2) ACP welcomes new members:

GM Mamedyarov Shakhriyar (AZE)

GM Amanov Mesgen (TKM)

GM Jobava Baadur (GEO)

GM McShane Luke (ENG)

3) ACP-FIDE relations during the 1st quarter 2010

The 1st quarter FIDE Presidential Board meeting took place in Turkey in January 2010. The ACP Board prepared and registered three official letters for the agenda. The main subjects of the letters were:

- the proposition to include the system of the ACP Tour into the selection criteria for the World Chess Championship cycle (declined);
- the proposition to reform the World Cup selection process (went to the FIDE working group for the expertise, the final decision expected at the 2nd quarter FIDE Presidential Board meeting);
- the proposition to abolish the Zero-tolerance rule (declined) as well as to reform the organisational process and the venue of the events under the Zero-tolerance rule (partly accepted, partly went to the General Assembly voting).

The 2nd quarter FIDE Presidential Board meeting is scheduled for the 22nd -23rd April 2010 in Sofia, Bulgaria. The ACP Board registered three new official letters to the agenda. The ACP Secretary **Olena Boytsun** is going to the meeting.

4) The ACP welcomes new Board members

The ACP Board member **Carolina Lujan** transferred from the position of the ACP Board member to the position of the ACP Coordinator for Latin America. The new ACP Board members are **Anatoly Karpov (RUS) and Alexandra Kosteniuk (RUS)**. The ACP Board welcomes its new members and believes that they will contribute to the ACP development for the benefit of chess.

5) The ACP on Facebook and Twitter

You can find the information from the Association of Chess Professionals on Twitter now at <http://twitter.com/acpsecretary>

Twitter will be used as a convenient tool for short announcements and cites about chess administrative issues, news, players, tournaments etc.

Please, join also the ACP group at Facebook, which is open for all chess professionals and fans

<http://www.facebook.com/#!/group.php?gid=313594380772>

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