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Dear European Veteran Table Tennis Community, Dear Friends,

Here we are with the second edition of the ETTU Veterans Committee Info-Bulletin. The main goals of the Info-Bulletin are:

- improving exchange with ETTU Member Associations/National Veteran Representatives
- informing all interested parties about news in the veterans' area
- exchange of opinions and interesting feedback

The Info-Bulletin will be published at irregular intervals as required.

All feedback and contributions are appreciated and should be sent to the Chair of the ETTU Veterans Committee → ettuvc@gmx.net.

Yours sincerely

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16th European Veterans Championships

The highlight of the 2025 veterans' calendar was the European Veterans Championships from 16th to 21st June 2025 in Novi Sad/SRB. Below are the most important figures:

- 2'394 participants from 43 Associations
- 1'831 men
- 563 women
- 8'328 matches played
- oldest participant (93 years old) from France

The conditions in the two playing halls were good and there were no major problems.

Fortunately, the Jury had no cases (appeals) to deal with.

Once again, the event was supported by the brothers Michael and Christoph Theis (GER) with their tournament program. The preparation work for the draw was done by the chair of the Ranking Committee, Igor Heller, supported by Gunter Klugmann (GER), EVC advisor. There was a very good co-operation with the LOC competition staff.

During the Championships the ETTU Veterans Committee held a meeting with the presence of 4 members and ETTU Vice-President Ina Jozepsone. The feedback from the members was overall very positive, and the organisers and hosts were to be congratulated on the event. Novi Sad was a good venue as a city.

Thanks to ETTU Competition Director Alen Ivancin, ETTU Competition Manager Viktoria Lucenkova and Head Referee Francesco Nuzzo (ITA) with his team.

17th European Veterans Championships 2027

The next European Veterans Championships will be held from Monday, 28th June to Saturday, 3rd July 2027 in Riga/LAT. The championships will be played at the "Kipsala International Exhibition Centre".

Future World Masters Championships (Individual/Team)

The ITTF Executive Board recently decided to create an **ITTF World Masters Team Championships, to be staged in odd years**, while the Individual Masters event will continue to be played in even years.

→ The 22nd World Masters Individual Championships will be held from Sunday, 7th June to Friday, 12th June 2026 in Gangneung/KOR.

→ Bidding is currently open for the ITTF World Masters events 2027 (Team) and 2028 (Individual).

Discussion corner/feedback

If you have any topics to share or feedback, please send them to ettuvc@gmx.net.

History Book World Veterans Championships

The Swaythling Club International (SCI) will publish a book about the history of the World Veterans/Masters Championships. The book will contain around 100 pages (appendices, results, photos and more about all events) and should be ready for the 60th anniversary of the SCI in 2027. More information's will be published later.

International Veterans Calendar 2026/27 (12.01.26)

2026

07.02.-08.02.	Crawley/ENG	Vetts Southern Masters
04.03.-08.03.	Vrsar/CRO	Stone Racket Istria
14.03.-15.03.	Preston/ENG	Vetts Northwest Masters
04.04.-05.04.	Momchilgrad/BUL	8 th Rotary Club Veterans
11.04.-12.04.	Thornbury/ENG	Vetts Western Masters
17.04.-19.04.	Fredericia/DEN	22 nd North European Veterans Championships
18.04.-19.04.	Adana/TUR	13 th Adana Veterans Table Tennis Tournament
08.05.-10.05.	Alghero/ITA	11 th Sardinian Veterans
14.05.-17.05.	Ruhpolding/GER	13 th Bavarian Veterans Championships
16.05.-17.05.	Albena/BUL	7 th Internat. Veterans Tournament
28.05.-31.05.	Batumi/GEO	Batumi Masters
05.06.-14.06.	Gangneung/KOR	22nd World Masters Championships
25.06.-28.06.	Bucharest/ROM	Internat. Masters Table Tennis Open Tournament
27.06.-28.06.	Trier/GER	70 th Internat. Veterans Tournament
22.07.-26.07.	Albena/BUL	28 th Internat. Festival Albena
02.08.-08.08.	Karlsborg/SWE	SBTF Veterans Masters
08.08.-09.08.	Varna/BUL	27 th Internat. Veterans Tournament
15.08.-16.08.	Burgas/BUL	15 th Internat. Veterans Tournament
27.09.-03.10.	Antalya/TUR	32 nd Internat. Masters Tournament
28.10.-01.11.	Salou/ESP	Internat. Veterans T T Tournament Costa Daurada
21.11.-22.11.	Riga/LAT	XXIV Veterans Open
04.12.-06.12.	Albena/BUL	13 th Internat. Veterans Tournament

2027

28.06.-03.07.	Riga/LAT	17th European Veterans Championships
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