



Norway Golf Croquet Open

August 3-5, 2018



We are pleased to welcome you to Myhrene Gård for the 3rd Norway GC Open. Myhrene Gård has four full size croquet lawns in a fantastic environment. The pitch has a steady inclination, which will only mean the players focus must be even more focused during play.



Format

The tournament will start on Friday at 12:00 and continue until Sunday afternoon. After the final there will be a prize ceremony.

Participation is limited to 24 players. There will be a group stage played in 4 blocks of 6 players followed by a knock-out and plate. All block matches will be one 13-point game. Knock-out matches, as well as bowl/shield/7th place will all be best of three 13-point games. The plate will be played in 4 blocks followed by semi-finals and a final. All plate matches will be one 13-point game. The format guarantees all players a minimum of 8 games.

The format will be adjusted if fewer than 24 players participate. Play will be double banking on 4 lawns.

Entry

Enter by e-mailing Roar Michalsen at smichals@online.no. Deadline for initial allocation is March 14.

Allocation

- Norway has 6 places.
- For international players, there is an initial allocation on **March 15**. Entries received by March 14 will be accepted as follows:
 - The highest ranked player from each country that has applied in descending order by world ranking as of March 14.
 - Then the second highest ranked player from each country will be accepted in descending order and so on. This will ensure that all countries that are interested in participating have the ability to send roughly the same number of players.
- International players can continue to apply for any remaining places from **March 15**. Applications will be accepted in order received up to a country maximum of 6 players.
- Additional Norwegian players and players from countries that have reached their maximum can submit their name to a waiting list. Any remaining places will be allocated on **April 30** from the waiting list in a similar fashion to the initial allocation.
- Deadline for any remaining places is on **July 15**, even if the event is not full to allow time for adjusting the format.



Swedish GC Open (July 27-29)

Swedish GC Open and Norway GC Open are held on consecutive weekend for the convenience of international players that are interested in participating in both. There will also be a trophy for the player that has the best combined result in the two tournaments.

The driving distance between Stavstorp (location of Swedish Open) and Myhrene Gård is 427km / 5h15min. Flying from Stockholm to Oslo takes 1h and there are many flights daily. It is also possible to take the train from Eskilstuna or Stockholm to Oslo and then continue on from there.



Swedish AC Open (July 31-August 1)

This year there will also be a Swedish AC Open. The tournament will be played over two days, on Tuesday and Wednesday, in the week between the two GC Opens.

European Masters

This event will be part of the European Masters competition.



Entry fee

NOK 800:- Lunch with drinks, coffee, and tea is included on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Non-playing guests that want to eat and drink pay 150:-/day.

Tournament Dinner

A dinner will be held in Holmsbu on Saturday evening for players and guests and will be paid for separately.

Transportation

Rides can be provided to and from the lawns for players staying in the Holmsbu area and don't have access to a car.



The last Norway Open was held in 2012



*Top 3 Finishers 2012
1st – Ulf Söderberg, Sweden
2nd – Joi Elebo, Sweden
3rd – Roar Michalsen, Norway*



Location

Address

Myhrene Gård
Myhreneveien 28
3483 Kana (Holmsbu)

Coordinates

59°32'51.9"N (59.547762)
10°27'30.8" E (10.458565)



Getting There

Holmsbu is located 60 km from Oslo and 40 km from Drammen.

The easiest way to get to Myhrene Gård is to rent a car at the airport and drive. It is also possible to take train and bus to Holmsbu. Take the train to Asker or Drammen, either from Oslo Central Station or directly from Gardermoen (main airport in Oslo). Continue by bus to Holmsbu.

It's also possible to take a boat from Oslo (1,5 hours) to the guest dock at Holmsbu.

If you are flying out on Sunday evening, try to book as late flight as possible to give yourself plenty of time to get to the airport after the end of the tournament.

Accommodations

Hotels in the area are often fully booked at the time of the tournament, so we recommend early bookings.

- Holmsbu Spa - holmsbuspa.no
- Knatvoldstranda Camping (huts and tenting) - knatvoldstrandacamping.no Huts for 4 people run about 1150:- NOK/day. 15 minutes walking distance to the lawns from the camping.
- Rødtangen Camping – No webpage available. Huts for 4 people run about 750:- NOK/day. Lawns are about 15 minutes away by car. Please contact Roar Michalsen for help booking a hut.

Other

At the centre of Holmsbu there are places to eat out and cultural life, read more at holmsbuopplevelser.no. In connection to the tournament there will be possible to buy mineral water, coffee and tea, baguettes, waffles and other items from the kiosk. We appreciate that you as contestant take use of our services.

Inquiries

Please e-mail Roar Michalsen at smichals@online.no if you have any questions.