



Exhibition on the beginnings of ice hockey in Latvia on display in the Ice Hall

An informative exhibition entitled “Ice Hockey – Our Pride” will be on display on the 2nd floor in the Ice Hall of the Olympic Centre “Ventspils” by 15 January 2023. Created by the ice hockey player and coach Ēvalds Grabovskis and like-minded people, the exhibition features interesting facts and historical evidence of the beginnings of ice hockey in Latvia and the most prominent personalities.

The exposition consists of 40 stands divided into 4 topics:

1. Personalities – beginnings of ice hockey.
2. Personalities – most popular players.
3. Chronology of ice hockey in Latvia – 1929–2020.
4. General information on ice hockey in Latvia.

The stands include descriptions of legendary ice hockey players, such as Helmutis Balderis, Artūrs Irbe, Sandis Ozoliņš, Sergejs Žoltoks, Kārlis Skrastiņš, Harijs Vītoliņš, and others, as well as the harsh hockey camps in Kandava, our players in the NHL, the era of Dinamo, and much more, including the road to success of the Latvian national team, its achievements, and, of course, its fans.

Contact the director of the Ice Hockey Club “Ventspils”, Ričards Ozols, per e-mail info@hkventspils.lv to purchase the book “Hokeja ģimene” (“Hockey Family”) by Ēvalds Grabovskis, which describes the beginnings of ice hockey in Latvia, most important events, facts, pictures from the 90’s, the timeline, and personalities in the hockey world. Price of the book: EUR 30.00.

The exhibition is organised by the Ice Hockey Club “Ventspils” in collaboration with the Olympic Centre “Ventspils” and the society “Latvijas Hokeja vēsture”.