

Norway Cup 2012



WELCOME TO NORWAY CUP 2012

Sunday July 29th. – Saturday August 4th.

Facts

1.400 Teams
30.000 Participants (12 – 19 YEARS)
52 Nations
62 Fields
3.810 Games
350 Refereers and 50 observers
31 Schools of accomodation
7 Hotels
1200 Volunteers from the organizing club
400 Volunteers from our partners

780 Media representatives participate in Norway's annual largest press center.

Norway Cup has 8 full time employees. Board of governors has 8 selected members from Bækkelagets Sportsklub, and one member from our partner Dagbladet. The tournament leadership consists of 13 appointed members. The Arrangement committee contains 143 appointed members. We have 1200 volunteers from our own club, and 400 volunteers from partner clubs. Norway Cup is held every year in week 31, and 2012 will be the 40th edition which will be celebrated.

Dates

April 16th Payment of Team fee and application form.
May 15th. Payment of accommodation fee.

Tournament starts:

July 27th Check inn for teams
July 28th. Check inn for teams. Norway Cup Show and Parade
July 29th. Tournament starts.
August 3th - August 4th. Finals.



Classes

Boys:

11 a-side

Class A:	Boys born after 1.1.1993 and later	(Boys 17/18/19)
Class B:	Boys born after 1.1.1996 and later	(Boys 15/16)
Class C:	Boys born after 1.1.1998 and later	(Boys 14)
Class D:	Boys born after 1.1.1999 and later	(Boys 13)

7 a-side

Class E:	Boys born after 1.1.1996 and later	(Boys 15/16)
Class F:	Boys born after 1.1.1998 and later	(Boys 14)

Girls:

11 a-side

Class Q:	Girls born after 1.1.1993 and later	(Girls 17/18/19)
Class R:	Girls born after 1.1.1996 and later	(Girls 15/16)
Class S:	Girls born after 1.1.1998 and later	(Girls 14)
Class T:	Girls born after 1.1.1999 and later	(Girls 13)

7 a-side

Class W:	Girls born after 1.1.1993 and later	(Girls 17/18/19)
Class U:	Girls born after 1.1.1996 and later	(Girls 15/16)
Class V:	Girls born after 1.1.1998 and later	(Girls 14)

Playing times

CLASSES	A and Q	2 x 30 minutes with 5 minutes break
CLASSES	B, R and W	2 x 25 minutes with 5 minutes break
CLASSES	C, D, E, S, T and U	2 x 20 minutes with 3 minutes break
CLASSES	F and V	2 x 15 minutes with 3 minutes break

All teams to playoffs

Norway Cup is preparing a major change before the tournament in 2012. The change will affect the playoffs in the tournament. ALL teams will advance to playoffs. This means that, in group stages of four teams, the top two teams advance to the tournament's A-playoffs. The last two teams in the group stage will go on to the B-playoffs. Norway Cup will through this change offer the teams more games in the tournament. All teams in the tournament will be offered at least one playoff game.

Friendly games

Norway Cup can also offer your team training matches. If your team require training matches please send us an e-mail on mj@norway-cup.no. In Norway Cup 2011 we had about 70 teams playing training matches.

Time schedule

The preliminary games will be played from Sunday to Tuesday. The matches are played each day from 8 (Sunday 9) am to 8.30 pm. The play offs (cup rules) takes place from Wednesday on. The finals are played on Friday and Saturday.



Prizes

The best team in each of the initial groups will be awarded one memorial plaque. Additional plaques may be bought at technical info at Ekeberg. Teams who reach the finals and semi-finals will each receive a special award. The participants of teams reaching A-finals and semi-finals will be awarded a Trophy and Norway Cup gold, silver or bronze medals to the players (maximum 24 players and 4 leaders) Norway Cup's "Viking Ship" is awarded to the winning team in each class in the A-finals. The best player in each of the A-finals will also receive a special award. There will be trophies to the gold and silver winners in the B-play off.

Bed and sleepingbag.

We are able to offer very good quality cots to a reasonable price.

This is to be ordered in advance. Cots and sleepingbags are delivered at the schools, and will be ready for you on arrival.

Arrival

Teams that have ordered and paid for transportation from the point of arrival to schools or hotels, will be picked up by Norway Cup buses and taken to the school where they stay during the tournament. It is important that the form with arrival times is sent to our Secretariat before July 1st.

Departure

Teams that have ordered and paid for transportation will be collected at the schools or hotels and taken to the point of departure in Oslo. The Norway Cup buses will collect the participants at the schools/hotel approximately 2 to 3 hours before departure. For departure from Oslo Airport the pick up is 3 hours ahead of departure time. For departure from trainstation or busstation the pick up is 2 hours before departure. Please note that this only applies to teams that have ordered transportation in advance. Should changes occur in the time of departure, please notify the Secretariat as soon as possible.



Description of our Norway Cup cards:

A-card per. person contains the following:

1. Overnight stays at school for 8 nights. (Saturday to Sunday)
2. 3 meals a day. (Breakfast served at the school, lunch and dinner at Ekeberg Sportshall)
3. Norway Cup t-shirt.
4. Team-photo and diploma of participation.
5. Free transportation with Oslo Transportation System
6. Free entrance to some museums.
7. Free entrance to outdoor swimmingpools in Oslo.
8. Free entrance to minigolf at Ekeberg.
9. Entrance to the Norway Cup non-alcoholic disco at a small fee
10. Norway Cup's multilanguage guides

Ekstra night: Take contact with the Norway Cup office if you want to stay ekstra nights at school before or after the tournament.

Accommodation will be provided in local schools. A snackbar at each school sells mineral water, hotdogs etc. It is required to have at least one leader in charge of each team staying overnight at the school.

H-card per. person contains the following.

1. Overnight stays at one of our hotels for 7 nights. (Saturday to Saturday)
2. 3 meals a day. (Breakfast served at the hotel, lunch and dinner at Ekeberg Sportshall)
3. Norway Cup t-shirt.
4. Teamphoto and diploma of participation.
5. Free transportation with Oslo Transportation System
6. Free entrance to museums.
7. Free entrance to the outdoor swimmingpools in Oslo.
8. Free entrance to minigolf at Ekeberg.
9. Entrance to the Norway Cup non-alcoholic disco at a very small fee
10. Norway Cup's multilanguage guides.
11. The most of the hotels are four stars.

Ekstra night: Take contact with the Norway Cup office if you want to stay ekstra nights at hotel before or after the tournament.

Visas

Due to the Schengen agreement, visa application must be submitted to the local Norwegian embassy at least aprox. 2 months ahead of departure.

Before Norway Cup can send an invitation to the club/team/embassy for visa application, we need following documents from you:

1. Entry form
2. Name-list over all the players, coaches, and team leader
3. Birthdates to all persons.
4. Passport numbers to all persons.
5. The entry fee has to be paid.

Offers

Norway Cup offer 2 types of cards:

A-card: Overnight at school. From Saturday July 28th to Sunday August 5th.

H-card: Overnight at hotel. From Saturday July 28th to Saturday August 4th.

First meal Saturday July 28th from 3.30 pm to 9 pm in Ekeberg Sports Hall.

Last meal Sunday August 5th from 6.30 am to 10.00 am

Prices

A-Card - School:

Team fee	185,- Euro,-	250,- USAdollar	per team
Accommodation cost	260,- Euro	350,- USAdollar	per person

H Card - Hotel:

Contact: rolf.fjeld@norwaycup.no / phone (+47) 22289057 for more information/prices.

Transport:

Oslo Airport Gardemoen	28,- Euro,-	38,- USAdollar	both ways pr. person
Boat, train, bus	17,- Euro,-	23,- USAdollar	both ways pr. Person



Preliminary Program

Norway Cup Show and Norway Cup Parade:	Saturday July 28 th
Devine Sports Service in Bekkelaget church.	Sunday July 29 th .
Culturstage:	Sunday July 29 th to Thursday August 2 th
Reception in Oslo Town hall	Wednesday August 1 th

Norway Cup Parade and Norway Cup Show (Saturday)

The great Norway Cup Show with popular international and national artists always starts with a fantastic Parade. Police on horses heading the parade, followed by a troop with Norwegian flags, a brass band and then the colorful parade of Norway Cup participants dressed in their team club shirts, many bringing flags, banners, mascots etc. Here you can also let your leaders and supporters join in to make this an unforgettable event. We hope that as many as possible will participate in this year's parade which starts from Ekeberg sletta and ends up at Torget on Ekebergsletta where the Norway Cup Show will take place. Here we have reserved space in front of the stage for the parade, and as soon as the whole parade is present, the show will start. In Norway Cup Parade 2011 we had over 5000 participants, and our Norway Cup Show had over 25 000 spectators.

We look forward to see you all ready for the Parade, marching down to Ekebergsletta to enjoy the Norway Cup Show which marks that Norway Cup 2012 has started.





Oslo

Within the boundaries there is wilderness and urban culture, shops and restaurants that you will not find any other place in Scandinavia. The Town Hall of Oslo is situated in the center, only a few hundred meters from the main street of the city, the Karl Johan Street, which houses the Norwegian Parliament, the Royal Castle, the National Theatre and the University. On the seaside of the Town Hall you find boats and shrimp trawlers selling their daily catch to the public. Oslo is reckoned as one of the worlds' foremost shipping towns. By the docks, still in a walking distance from the center, a large cruise fleet is visiting every summer. From the same docks there is only a 10 minutes drive to beautiful beaches with very clean water.



Reception in Oslo Town Hall (Wednesday)

Norway Cup invite leaders and coaches to a reception in the Grand Hall in the Town Hall of Oslo. There are greeting speeches, entertainment and a buffet. The participants are given the opportunity of guided tours in the Town Hall in several languages.



Aker Brygge and Oslo Townhall in the background.

Clubs utilizing their own buses

The club leaders will at check-in receive a Norway Cup signed label to be placed in the left hand corner of the windshield for parking for free at Norway Cup's carpark. This is valid for busses with minimum 10 seats.

Culturstage (from Sunday to Thursday)

On Norway Cup's Culturstage you can experience participants from far and near express their culture as song, dance or other entertainment.

There is one hour show from the Culturstage every day from Sunday to Thursday based on the participants own contribution. Last year we had a lot of nations represented and we hope that this year Norway Cup will be the same.

If you have any talents in your team that would like to perform, or maybe your fans are eager to show your local folklore, please let us know. We hope you will advise participants and fans of this opportunity to perform at Norway Cup.

We wish to hear from you before May 1st this to have time to make a program for the Culturstage.



Guide service

Norway Cup has its own guide service consisting of approximately 40 translators in 20 different languages, stretching from Chinese to English. Their primary task is to guide the teams on arrival and departure, and follow the teams during the tournament. Our guides are spontaneous, pleasant, service minded and thorough. The guides are social, friendly and versatile. It is a colorful group of people with good cultural understanding. The guide department will primarily assist the foreign teams during their stay in Norway Cup. The guides are problem solvers, they communicate and translate all kind of information.



Our guides 2011



Museums

There are a number of interesting museums in Oslo. By agreement with the various museums, everyone with an A or H -card have free admission to these museums, provided that they are accompanied by a leader.

1. The Arctic Ship «Fram» Museum, Bygdøy.
2. The Norwegian Maritime Museum, Bygdøy.
3. The Kon-Tiki Museum, Bygdøy.
4. The Viking Ships Museum, Bygdøy.
5. The Norwegian Museum of Cultural History, Bygdøy.
6. The Museum of Contemporary Art, Central Oslo.

In Akershus Fortress you find:

7. Norwegian Armed Forces museum
8. Norwegian Resistance museum. The first work on the castle started around the late 1290s, by King Håkon V. Several Norwegian royals are buried in the Royal Mausoleum in the castle.
9. Norwegian Museum of Science & Technology
10. The Naturalhistorical museum, University in Oslo. Here you find Geological museum, Zoological museum and Botanical garden.



Norway Cup photos

Do you have some nice photos and/or a story from the Norway Cup tournament that you want to share with others? Send this to Norway Cup nc@norway-cup.no



Referee and observer in Norway Cup

Norway Cup is the world's largest football tournament for children and youths. Players are from 10 – 19 years of age and the teams come from many countries and continents.

We invite referees to a pleasant stay at Ekeberg. If you are under the age of 18 please enclose a parental confirmation that you may participate in the tournament. You have to be an active referee or observer in your country to be selected. Please inform the administration regarding any sicknesses or allergies - mail nc@norway-cup.no or phone +4722289057.

Assignments for referees and observers in Norway Cup

We are in need of approximately 350 referees and 50 observers. The program consists of refereeing 3 – 5 games a day, either as a referee or as an assistantreferee. An observer normally has the same number off assignments. We divide the referees into groups thus enabling us to get the right referee for the right game. We range the referees according to what division or level they are refereeing at. All games are important and it will therefore also be many interesting assignment for referees joining us for the first time. For 11 a-side football we utilize authorized country referees. Inexperienced referees and club referees will mainly be given 7 a-side matches. Although we make this selection, the referees compete to referee games in the play-offs and finals in the classes they have refereed within.

This is your bonus for refereeing in Norway Cup

Norway Cup offers you the opportunity to develop as a referee. You will be given many interesting assignments and we have a very skilled observerteam that will guide you. The matches in Norway Cup offer many challenges that you will not normally come across. Foreign teams from several continents provide a challenge, from the sporty point of view. You will enjoy yourself both off and on the fields. The outcome should be a very exciting week. Refereeing in Norway Cup will not make you rich, but a pleasant fee will be paid for each match.

You will make many new friends in Norway Cup

Norway Cup is a good opportunity to make new friends amongst the referees and observers. They arrive from all of Norway as well as from many different countries and all gather at Ekeberg. Your network will widen and you may require many new relations both professionally and private. You will improve your skills as a referee because the observers and guardians follow your progress. In addition you have the wonderful social atmosphere during the tournament week.



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*Join us and celebrate
our 40th anniversary*



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