

CHESSBOXING PREMIERE IN RUSSIA!

Chessboxing nation is awakening!

The Siberian Chess Boxing Organisation (SCBO) in cooperation with the World Chess Boxing Organisation (WCBO) proudly present:
Chessboxing goes Russia – first tournament in Krasnoyarsk on 21 February!

When Nikolay Sazhin won the world championship in the light heavy-weight division in July 2008 it was obvious that Russia would play an important role in chessboxing. Sazhin returned with the belt and the vision to spread this sport in Siberia. As a consequence the SCBO was founded by the champion, Roman Lavrenov and Vladimir Makarov.

Six promising chess and boxing talents from Krasnoyarsk, Tomsk and the Republic of Khakassia will perform in the course of the Siberian championship in 3 weight classes:

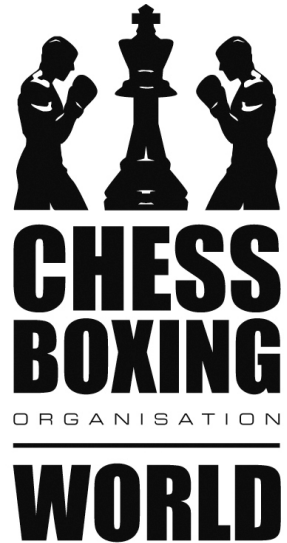
Viktor Tarasov vs Sergeij Ychenko (heavyweight), **Vitali Degtyarev vs Evgeniy Lykhtha** (middleweight) and **Egor Dolgatchev vs Artyr Vardyanan** (lightweight).

Date: 21 February 2009

Venue: Siberian Federal University
Kerensky Street 26, 660074 Krasnoyarsk, Russia

Start: 13:00 (Krasnoyarsk time)

The basic idea in chessboxing is to combine the #1 thinking sport and the #1 fighting sport into a hybrid that demands the most of its competitors - both mentally and physically. In a chessboxing fight two opponents play alternating rounds of chess and boxing. A contest consists of 11 rounds, 6 rounds of chess (4 minutes each) and 5 rounds of boxing (3 minutes each). The contest starts with a round of chess, followed by a boxing round. In a maximum of 11 rounds the contest is either won by checkmate or K.O. Dutchman Iepe Rubingh invented chessboxing in 2003. In the same year he founded the World Chess Boxing Organisation (WCBO). Since then chessboxing has become a serious sport in numerous countries such as USA, Great Britain, Germany, France and Russia.



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