Invitation HC Tilburg Here We Come 2027 (1)

April 30th, 1st and 2nd of May

Tilburg, 21 October 2026

Dear hockey friends,

Ten editions - One big hockey family

It all started in 2016 with a simple idea from a few members of NHC "De Zestigplussers" – linked to HC Tilburg – in cooperation with the clubmanager: invite super veterans from all over Europe to Tilburg for a weekend of good hockey and even better company. A social hockeyfestival was born. Nine editions later, the ISVT has grown into one of the most popular and – if we may say so ourselves – most hospitable super veterans tournaments in Europe. In 2026 we welcomed 51 teams and 765 players from nine nations, played 180 matches on seven pitches and celebrated a third half that is fast becoming legendary.

In 2027 the ISVT celebrates its 10th edition, and we are pulling out all the stops. Expect the very best of everything: top-class hockey in every age category, a jubilee programme full of surprises, the finest food Brabant has to offer and unique entertainment on Friday and Saturday night that you will be talking about for years to come. A jubilee happens only once – this is the edition you simply cannot afford to miss!

Masters 4 Nations tournament in Eindhoven

On the same weekend, NHC60plus will host the Masters 4 Nations tournament at HC Oranje-Rood in Eindhoven, an invitation-only tournament for selected national A-teams. All other teams – SoM (IMC) teams, club teams and national teams not selected for Eindhoven – are warmly welcome in Tilburg.

Registration

Please let us have your Registration by return at www.isvt.eu button **Registration** or **Register your team** before the 31st of december 2026. The subscription is definite after receipt of the mentioned fee (payment details to be announced). Our admission policy has in principle not changed, however we advise teams to register quickly. Our maximum capacity is 50 teams taking into account an even distribution of poules and genders. More applications need further consideration**.**

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Please note that at the bottom of the Registration form there is a unique teamcode to be used for payments and Food Orders.

Tournament fee

The Tournament fee will amount to € 450,- for 15 players (additional players are of course welcome at a contribution of € 35,00 p.p.). Specification about payment details of the tournament fee will be given in an e-mail which will be mailed to you at the latest in **the first week of January 2027.**

After the **1st of March 2027** withdrawal from the tournament is not refundable.

We are looking forward meeting you again in Tilburg during the ISVT 2027 edition and await your application.

Age categories

Women Over 50	Men Over 60
Women Over 55	Men Over 65
Women Over 60	Men Over 70
Women Over 65	Men Over 75
Women Over 70	Men Over 80

Depending on the number of registrations in the various categories, we may merge 2 categories to create a balanced match schedule.

Travel & stay

We have selected several hotels in the vicinity of HC Tilburg. You can find these on our website www.isvt.eu using the button Lodging. Please use the link https://www.isvt.eu/lodging/ and use the red button Link to Hotel of the selected hotel.

Parking campers and caravans

It is **not allowed** to park campers and caravans on the parking area of the hockey club. For information about potential locations, please visit our website and go to: “campings/B&B”. Captains and managers are strongly advised to instruct their teams on this rule.

Lunch, buffet and dinner

As usual we will provide details about lunches and dinners, in our (2nd) Newsletter

We will provide lunchboxes (15 persons). They will be available (when ordered) at noon on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

We arrange for a Buffet on Friday evening and on Saturday evening we have arranged our famous social event, the Dinner Dance with a fantastic entertainment

We kindly request you to order through your captain. The Food Order Form will be sent to you with the 2nd Newsletter, mentioned before.

Insurance

We like to emphasize that The Royal Dutch Hockey Association (KNHB) informed us that the collective Insurance policy applies only for Dutch participants and therefore is not valid for foreign players. The same goes for wearing the so called "bits"(dental protection). Therefore, we want to inform you that you, by sending us the subscription form, will not institute a claim of any nature against the Tournament Organization, the Nederlandse Hockey Club 60+ and the HC Tilburg and will not hold the Tournament Organization, the Nederlandse Hockeyclub 60+ and the HC Tilburg or any member of these organizations responsible for any damage or loss of any nature whatsoever.

Match schedule, results and photos

Please be aware that during the Tournament pictures will be made. These will be shown on our ISVT website. The participants will grant their approval for the publication of these pictures, taken during the Tournament, together with their inscription. The publication takes place without mentioning names.

On the multiple screens in the Clubhouse we will continuously show the match schedule, the actual results and scores. A link to the Tournify software will be added in our second Newsletter and on our website.

The temporary program

Thursday 29th of April - 2027

19.30 – 21.00	Get-together and registration for teams arriving on Thursday

Friday 30th of April - 2027

10.00 AM	Get-together and registration
11.30 – 12.00	Welcome and festive opening
12.00	Captains and umpires meeting
12.30 – 17.40	Matches
18.00 PM	Buffet and entertainment

Saturday 1st of May - 2027

10.00 - 17.30	Matches
19.00 PM	Jubilee Dinner Dance

Sunday 2nd of May - 2027

10.00 – 14.35 Matches
14.00 – 14.30 Finals
15.00 Prize giving ceremony

You all will be most welcome on the fantastic Hockey facilities of the HC Tilburg (www.hctilburg.com), Bredaseweg 447 in Tilburg.

With our warmest and kindest regards,

The HC Tilburg
ISVT Organization Committee

John van der Stelt, Chairman, liaison WGMA, liaison Tilburg municipal council
Pamela Bosch, Honorary Secretary
Cilla Kleijn, Deputy Secretary and general support
Hans van den Heuvel, Treasurer
Burney van Leenen, Tournament Office - Match Schedule
Dorry Bertens, Tournament Office – Match Schedule
John van der Stelt, Umpire Manager
Bas Kruik, Chief Medical Affairs
Fons Denissen, Hotels and Advertisement, Tournament Guide and Liaison Hockey 60Plus
Bernard Verbunt, founding father and Advisor