

Welcome to the World Championship of Indoor Tug of War!

2024

Helsingborg, Sweden



## **Jennie Andersson, Swedish Tug of War Association President**

On behalf of the Swedish Tug of War Association, I would like to welcome everyone to the Indoor Tug of War World Championship in Helsingborg. Tug of war has a long history in Sweden. Sweden's first Olympic gold medal was from tug of war in 1900. The Swedish Tug of War Association however was founded in 1933, which means that last year was our 90th anniversary.



Although outdoor tug of war has been our main discipline, we have competed in indoors as well, but it has not been practiced for a while. Therefore, it is a huge honour to be hosting the first ever indoor world championships in Sweden! We are hoping that this event will spark an interest to continue with this lost tradition.

Welcome all athletes, officials, and spectators to this event. I hope you all have a pleasant stay and enjoy some great quality of competitions. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask.

Sincerely,

Jennie Andersson

President Swedish Tug of War Association

## **Dan Mc Carthy, TWIF president**

As President of TWIF it is my privilege to welcome friends, colleagues and especially competitors from across the globe to Helsingborg, Sweden for the 2024 World Indoor Championships. Last year 2023, Sweden tug of war association celebrated their ninetieth (90) anniversary. This is a remarkable achievement and has only been achieved by years of experience, hard work, and dedication from the people, who on a daily and yearly basis devote their time to the sport. So, congratulations and well done to all involved. This is the first time that a world indoor championship will be held in Sweden but I'm sure from attending previous outdoor championships here that it will be another great event. Event`s like a world championship is a big undertaking, and involves a huge number of people, some of whom we never see, but who have different functions to make it successful. Finally, I wish all countries, teams, and competitors the best of luck during the championships.

Yours in Sport,

Dan Mc Carthy

President TWIF

## **Program 2024 World Indoor Championship Helsingborg, Sweden, 7-11 February**

Arrival days	Tuesday 6 and Wednesday 7 February
Dinner in your hotel	18.00 – 20.00 pm
Breakfast in your hotel	06.00 – 08.30 am
Briefing in Helsingborg Arena	Wednesday 7 February 20.00 or 21:00 pm
Opening/Closing ceremony	Helsingborg Arena
Departure day	Monday 12 February

Weigh-ins Wednesday 7 February 2024 in Helsingborg Arena

07:30 – 12:00 Morning session

16:00 – 18:00 Afternoon session

### **Day 1 and 3 / Thursday 8 February/ Saturday 10 February**

Morning session:

07:00 – 08:00 Stamping

09:00 Start of competition. Which weight class starts depends on the entries, 680kg Men, 500kg Women and U23 560kg Mix Medal Ceremony (right after morning competition).

11.00 – 12.00 Stamping

Afternoon session:

13:00 Start of competition. Which weight class starts depends on the entries, 600kg Senior Men, 480kg Junior Women and 560 Junior Men Medal Ceremony (right after afternoon competition).

### **Day 2 and 4 / Friday 9 February/ Sunday 11 February**

Morning session:

07:00 – 08:00 Stamping

09:00 Start of competition. Which weight class starts depends on the entries, 640kg Men, 540 kg Women, U23 600kg Men and U23 500kg Women Medal Ceremony (right after morning competition).

11.00 – 12.00 Stamping

Afternoon session:

13:00 Start of competition. Which weight class starts depends on the entries, 560 kg Men, 580 kg Mix and 520 kg Junior Mix Medal Ceremony (right after afternoon competition).

Please note that times might change due to the length of the competitions.

The updated information will be on the website: [www.towsweden.com](http://www.towsweden.com). **Adress Helsingborg Arena: Mellersta Stenbocksgatan 14, 254 37 Helsingborg, also for picking up accreditation.**

## Officials 2024 World Indoor Championship Helsingborg, Sweden, 7-11 February

President	Dan McCarthy	IRE	
Controller	Maaïke Hornstra	NED	
Chief Judge	Angelika Eiermann	GER	
Assist Chief Judge	David Kitchner	ENG	
Weigh Master	✓ David Wilson	NIR	
Competition Manager	Anton Botha	RSA	
Chief Marshal	✓ Rients Sybrandy	NED	
Assist Chief Marshal	Bill George	IRE	
Chief Evaluator **	Lars Lindh	SWE	
Chief Recorder	✓ Maureen Geary	IRE	
Assist. Chief Recorder	✓ Wanda Jonck	RSA	
ICT	✓ Bruce Schuman	USA	
ICT/ Anti-doping	Pete Dyer	ENG	
Evaluator	2 judges		
ICT assisant	Francois Zuidenhout	RSA	
T & A Chairperson	Jost Waser	SWI	
T & A Secretary	✓ Marga 't Lam	NED	
Photografer	Eddie van Raamsdonk	NED	
Recorder	✓ Wendy Dyer	ENG	
Recorder/ass secretary	✓ Caroline Kenny	ENG	
Recorder	Raivita Tuka	LAV	
Recorder	✓ Lianne Persson	SWE	
1Judge	✓ Andrea Nasso	ITA	
2Judge	Matt Cowlard	ENG	
3Judge	Ray Fray Smit	ENG	
4Judge	✓ Gavin Corden	ENG	evaluator pilot
5Judge	✓ Andres Otto Koch	SWI	evaluator pilot
6Judge	✓ Mitsuyo Masuyo	JPN	
7Judge	✓ Sumito Yamamoto	JPN	
8Judge	Dirk Westerneng	NED	
9Judge	Gerard Dankelman	NED	
10Judge	Jānis Palamarčuks	LAV	
11Judge	Andris Palamarčuks	LAV	
12 Judge	Aivars Brakmanis	LAV	
13Judge	Giedrius Kasparas	LTU	
14Judge	Norman Cook	SCO	
15Judge	✓ Ralf Bräuninger	GER	
16Judge	Urko Gastearea	BAS	
18 Judge	✓ Piet Louwrens	RSA	

✓ Officials for the weigh in

## USEFUL INFORMATION



Breakfast is served at your hotel every morning 06:00 – 08:30.

Dinner is served, for those who have bought our package, at your hotel 18:00 – 20:00.

At competition: which weight class starts depends on the number of entries in each weight class and session during all four days.

Please scan the QR-code, and you will have all information updated every day during the Championship.



You can follow the competition by this streaming link:

[Tug of War TV | Livestreamer \(tug-of-war.tv\)](https://tug-of-war.tv)

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