



Y17 Girls Bandy World Championship 2025

21-23 February



Welcome to the Y17 Girls Bandy World Championship 2025 in Trollhättan!

It is with great joy that we welcome you to this championship, where the world's best young bandy players will compete for the World Championship title. We look forward to thrilling and intense matches filled with excitement and camaraderie.

Trollhättan not only provides a fantastic setting for bandy but also offers stunning surroundings. The beautiful waterfalls and lock area create a warm and welcoming atmosphere. We hope you take the opportunity to explore the city's sights during your stay.



*Chairman,
Swedish Bandy
Federation*

Ingrid H Amrén

A heartfelt thank you to all coaches, spectators, volunteers, and organizers. None of this would be possible without you. Together, we are creating an unforgettable bandy celebration!

To all players – good luck and enjoy the moment!

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When Gripen was asked to host the Y17 World Championship, they immediately reached out to Trollhättans Stad, which was quick to get on board.

- It is extremely important to help create the conditions needed to make this happen. Organizing events requires both volunteer efforts and financial resources, so it's crucial to involve all relevant parties—and we definitely want to be one of them," says Peter Eriksson.

Events that attract visitors to Trollhättan are a top priority for Eriksson for several reasons.

"In this case, we believe it is important to help highlight female athletes, especially in a sport that is not traditionally associated with women's sports," says Peter Eriksson, adding, "The effort Gripen is making with the Y17 World Championship, as well as in their everyday work, is truly commendable. It's great to be a part of it.

What do you expect from this event?

"I hope that those who visit will react the way many others have, saying they didn't have a clear image of Trollhättan before—maybe even a negative one—but after being here, they say, 'Wow, what a beautiful and welcoming city!'"

"I also hope that this will create a ripple effect, making it easier to encourage more girls to take up this sport."

Are you personally interested in bandy?

"Well, I told Gripen's club manager at a morning meeting that I'm one of those who doesn't find bandy all that exciting, but I said that more to stir the pot a bit."

"The challenge now is to get more people interested in bandy, and I think Gripen is contributing to that in a great way, especially by organizing various meetups before the matches or giving visitors the opportunity to listen to the coaches before the game. Gripen does this really well," says Peter Eriksson.

What does bandy and Gripen mean to Trollhättan and its residents?

"Gripen is an important part of Trollhättan's strong offering for all its residents. People look at what they can do in a city in their free time, the cultural offerings, the sports opportunities, and so on, and what makes living in a city that much more enjoyable."

Municipal councilor Peter Eriksson further notes that the City of Trollhättan competes with other municipalities to attract residents.

"That's why it's important for those who live here and pay taxes to feel that it's something they can be proud of. In this case, we believe the local sports community makes a real contribution to that, and I truly think Gripen excels at it."

Match schedule

Friday 21 Februari

10.00 Finland – Norway

14.00 Finland – Sweden

17.40 **OPENING CEREMONY**

18.00 Sweden – Norway

Saturday 22 Februari

10.00 Finland – Sweden

14.00 Sweden – Norway

18.00 Norway – Finland

Sunday 23 Februari

09.00 Group 3 - Gripen/Höjden

11.00 **FINAL**

Award ceremony immediately after the match on the ice.



Sweden's National Team



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|-----------|---------------------------|-----------|--|
| 1 | Olga Bertilsson Skog (MV) | 16 | Nathalie Hjortenhed |
| 13 | Nea Werner (MV) | 17 | Ada Olsson |
| 2 | Ingrid Löwhagen | 18 | Wilma Palmborg |
| 3 | Frida Brodin | | |
| 4 | Elin Palm | | Linnéa Thored Bergkvist Manager |
| 5 | Klara Fischer | | Thomas Linder Assistant Manager |
| 7 | Moa Rantala | | Sofia Rådman Team Manager |
| 8 | Vilma Roosberg | | Anton Hellqvist Equipment |
| 9 | Tea Forsberg | | |
| 10 | Mathilda Frändberg | | |
| 11 | Lova Hållén | | |
| 14 | Hilda Kolsmyr | | |
| 15 | Tova Anderhag Bracoiner | | |



Trollhättans
Stad

AB Sjuntorp

Norway's National Team

- 1 Juliane Kortvedt
- 12 Emilie Nitteberg
- 4 Annette Sundby Indrevoll
- 3 Caroline Venbakken
- 4 Ingeborg Marie Thoresen Os
- 5 Selma Johanson
- 6 Isabell Oskarsen Skare
- 7 Molly Johanson
- 8 Ella Hilmarsen
- 9 Nelly Sundås
- 10 Mina Strand Idal
- 11 Linnea Lislott
- 13 Frida Elise Nygård
- 14 Victoria Aarstrand Knutsen
- 15 Malin Røren Hellum
- 16 Pernille Schwabe
- Lars Johanson **Manager**
- Tobias Johansson **Ass. Manager**
- Edvard Os **Equipment**
- Vivi Aarstrand **Team Leader**
- Kathrine Godager **Main Leader**



Finland's National Team



30 Emilia Piekkari

33 Varpu Koppelomäki

4 Elsa Oras

5 Martta Niemi

6 Meriella Rajala

7 Minttu Seppä

11 Aino Kannelniemi

13 Jessica Kietäväinen

14 Henriikka Hoppu

16 Jenna Kastevaara

17 Ellen Aarnio

18 Sylvi Roivas

19 Emilia Savolainen

21 Iida Heija

26 Meri Sund

39 Wilhelmiina Niiranen

47 Liinu Kainulainen

99 Kerttu Soininen

Mauri Kählman **Manager**

Martti Lousti **Ass. Manager**

Tiina Vesala **Team Leader**

Johanna Kauppila **Physiotherapy**

Esa Piekkari **Equipment**



Are you interested in starting to play bandy?

Get in touch with
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Youth Manager
Lars Westberg

The Y17 World Championship will be held at Slättbergshallen from February 21-23. It's something that the organizing team, Gripen Trollhättan, is looking forward to and preparing for.

"It's truly inspiring and exciting to be the organizer of the Y17 World Championship on our home turf. We will do everything we can to make this event something really special, creating a memorable experience for the audience and the participating nations with great ambiance," says Lars Westberg from Gripen's Youth Section.

Gripen launched an initiative for women's bandy in 2014 and has seen its operations grow explosively in recent years.

"I wasn't involved from the very beginning, but I've joined the women's bandy in recent years, and the growth of the program has been amazing, which is great," continues Lars Westberg, who is also a coach for the girls' team at Gripen Trollhättan.

Today, Gripen Trollhättan has significantly more girls' teams than before, and there is a large influx of new bandy players.

"We work hard to recruit both boys and girls at a young age to start playing bandy in the club. The 'Skridskokul' program is an important part of that, where kids get the chance to try it out."

Another initiative is "Fun on Ice," which is a school and youth project where everyone is welcome to participate. The target group is children in grades F-6, with the goal of encouraging physical activity, offering the opportunity to try skating, and allowing them to discover the sport of bandy.

Gripen also has a women team in the Swedish Allsvenskan women's league in collaboration with SK Höjden, a partnership that has been in place for a few years now.

"The goal and dream is to have our own team in the women's elite series in the future. We're not there yet, but we hope to reach that point. It's very important for our own players to have something to strive for and know that they don't need to go to other clubs to play elite bandy."

"Being given the honor of hosting the Y17 World Championship on our home turf is something we hope will inspire more girls to start playing bandy and become interested in the sport. We hope many people will come and watch the World Championship matches."

Referee

Main Referee

Sophia Wikström, Alice Nilsson

Ass. Referee

Inez Edenberg, Sanna Rinnbäck, Julia Thompson, Hanna Björkestam

Supervisors

Thomas Hofling, Pierre Sunesson





When Gripen Trollhättan BK was asked if the club would consider hosting a World Championship in bandy, there was no hesitation.

GBK said yes – and now the time is almost here.

“We see this as a great opportunity to showcase a World Championship for 17-year-olds,” says Anders Johansson, the newly appointed club manager at GBK.

This is not the first time that Gripen Trollhättan BK is serving as the local organizer of a bandy World Championship.

The last time this happened was when the men’s senior B-World Championship was held in Trollhättan and at Slättbergshallen a few years ago.

“We have organized similar tournaments before, so there are people in the organization who have been involved in the past,” says Anders Johansson, or “Grossis” as he is commonly known in Trollhättan.

This time, the program features the Y17 World Championship, which will take place from February 21-23 at Slättbergshallen. Three nations will compete for the medals – in addition to the host nation Sweden, Finland and Norway will also be participating.

The teams will meet twice each, making a total of six matches on Friday and Saturday, before the final takes place at lunchtime on Sunday.

Why did Gripen choose to host the Y17 World Championship?

“When we were asked about the possibility of hosting the Y17 World Championship, we said yes as part of the journey that GBK wants to take to further establish itself in the bandy community in Sweden. This includes developing women’s bandy,” emphasizes club manager Anders Johansson.

This year, Gripen Trollhättan has doubled the number of girls playing bandy in the club, ranging from 6-7-year-olds up to 14-15-year-olds.

“The Y17 World Championship will be a great opportunity to showcase the sport and may encourage even more girls to give it a try,” says Anders Johansson.

To really kickstart the youth program at GBK, the club is running the project “Fun on Ice.”

“We’ve been running this project for a couple of years now, and we’ve increased the number of sessions from five to 15 this year. This year, we’ll have about 1,000 students from the city’s schools, from preschool to grade 6, who will get to borrow skates and helmets and skate in the hall,” says the club manager, who is determined that the youth program will, over time, produce players for the senior teams, both men’s and women’s.

“We pick up the students by bus, and once they arrive here, senior team players help on the ice. There is a great deal of interest in this community project. A grand opening with national anthems will take place well before Sweden’s match against Norway on Friday evening.

Entrance is free on all match days.”

Restaurant recommendations



Sour Café & Bar

Friday: 11–00

Saturday: 11–00

Sunday: 11–16



Savoy

Friday: 16–01

Saturday: 13–01



Strandgatan

All days:
10.00 – 22.00



BG's

Friday: 16–02

Saturday: 12–02

Sunday: 12–23

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