Preface

At the Golden Jubilee of the Swedish Mathematical Society at Uppsala in 2000, the Estonian President - Mati Abel, of the Estonian Math Society participated together with his wife. Maybe this inspired him to set up a celebration for the Estonian Math Society when it turned 75 the following year. Anyway I was invited, and having never been to any of the Baltic States before, I eagerly accepted. Initially I had planned to go there by ferry from Stockholm, but due to domestic constraints, I could not afford the extra time that would involve, thus I decided to fly. Anyway I did schedule a stay in Tallinn after the celebration, which took part in Tartu, and Abel graciously arranged for me lodgings via the Academy of Sciences for a few nights.

As usual I present a blow by blow account, whose tediousness is not necessarily only a side-effect, in an attempt to reproduce, with spurious photographic exactness, the vicissitudes of my visit, extending literally from door to door.

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