

Backstory

The year is 4019. The year is slowly coming to an end as on this ordinary November day the day gets ever shorter, and the dark of the night is creeping in. A sole Teekkari from Tampere is finishing his group project for the third programming course at Tampere University Hervanta campus, enjoying the warmth of the guild room. The sole Teekkari is enjoying a refreshing Slurp Juice, as suddenly a panicky cry echoes from the corridor – followed by numerous tinkles of sparkling wine glasses. It is not long until the guild room's door is kicked wide open and in comes another Teekkari. The two Teekkaris engage in a long and silent staredown, as they both knew what was bound to happen: a beer drinking contest. It's the type of contest that has through the ages defined the very deepest essence of honor and respect in the academic circle. However, as is widely known, the drinking speed of a Teekkari is a constant. This means that the key to success is a fast reaction time at the start. Both Teekkari's fingers are itching to get going, as they intensively gaze at a Nokia's Brewery lager beer, overwhelmed by the adrenaline produced while waiting for the contest to begin. Who is the fastest in Pirkanmaa?

But it is not only the reaction speed that is enough to solve this contest. Each Teekkari has a strong supporting group behind them, consisting of Basic Workers and Miners destined to support their chosen one till the very last cigarette and chauvinistic joke. These supporters do not come without a cost, however, and the wages are not low either, as the intergalactic economic crisis has taken its toll – gone are the days when paying with only beer was enough to make people happy. Only if there was a fountain full of infinite resources. But look – what is that light in the Hervanta sky, blazing like a thousand fires!?

Already for thousands of years there has been a Wappu tradition for the Teekkaris to worship the almighty TuniTower, the colossal copper fish finger style structure next to the Kampusareena, while singing hymns and drinking Jaloviina. The legend has it that the tower used to be white but due to dirty alcohol infused Teekkaris with their dirty thoughts, the Tuni Gods colored it with the color of Jaloviina. The sins of the Teekkaris have since been atoned and a sincere bow under the tower's knightly white-faced figure increases the Teekkari's self-esteem and grants him/her infinite amounts of resources – as long as no other Teekkari intervenes with the worship with their sinful thoughts. So, my friend, step into your grand gray-colored student overalls and have a taste of Tampere: Go get some wood from the forest, stone and ore from the mountains and prepare to conquer Pirkanmaa step-by-step. Build new campuses and TuniTowers all around Pirkanmaa. But beware – you are not alone...