## **RBJC "Auseklis" Minimotorcycle Museum**

The "Auseklis" Minimotorcycle Museum has been operating since February 14, 1993. Since 1995, the museum has been a member of the Latvian Museum Association. The goal of the Minimotorcycle Museum is to identify, research, collect, preserve, and popularize the development of minimotorcycling sports and technology in Latvia from its beginnings to the present day.

The Minimotorcycle Museum's exhibition reveals pages from Latvian motorcycling history, including its pioneers and most famous personalities. It tells the story of RBJC "Auseklis," the work of the "IK Auseklis" motorcycle club, and the history of the "Zelta mopēds" (Golden Moped) motorcycle racing movement, recognized as a folk cultural tradition. It also covers athletes' training and achievements in motor sports and other events supported by BJC "IK Auseklis."

Since its inception, the Minimotorcycle Museum has diligently collected materials on the development of minimotorcycling sports—objects, documents, and photographs. In 2025, the Minimotorcycle Museum's collection already holds more than 15,000 inventory units. Visitors can view a large portion of these in the Minimotorcycle Museum's exhibition, including sport mopeds, motorcyclists' attire, awards, very interesting photographs, and much more.

Over the years, the Minimotorcycle Museum has always actively attracted visitors by offering events during Museum Nights, Jugla festivals, meetings with motor sports veterans organized by BJC "IK Auseklis," and other events. In 2025, during Museum Night, over 400 enthusiasts visited the Minimotorcycle Museum at once.

On November 22, 2022, the RBJC "Auseklis" Minimotorcycle Museum, by signing an agreement with the National Library of Latvia, began digitizing its collections. The digitized materials are being entered into the LNB Digital Object Management (DOM) system to make them accessible to everyone. Additionally, on March 7, 2023, the Minimotorcycle Museum joined the Latvian museum initiative "Latvian School Bag," including information about the museum and its events.