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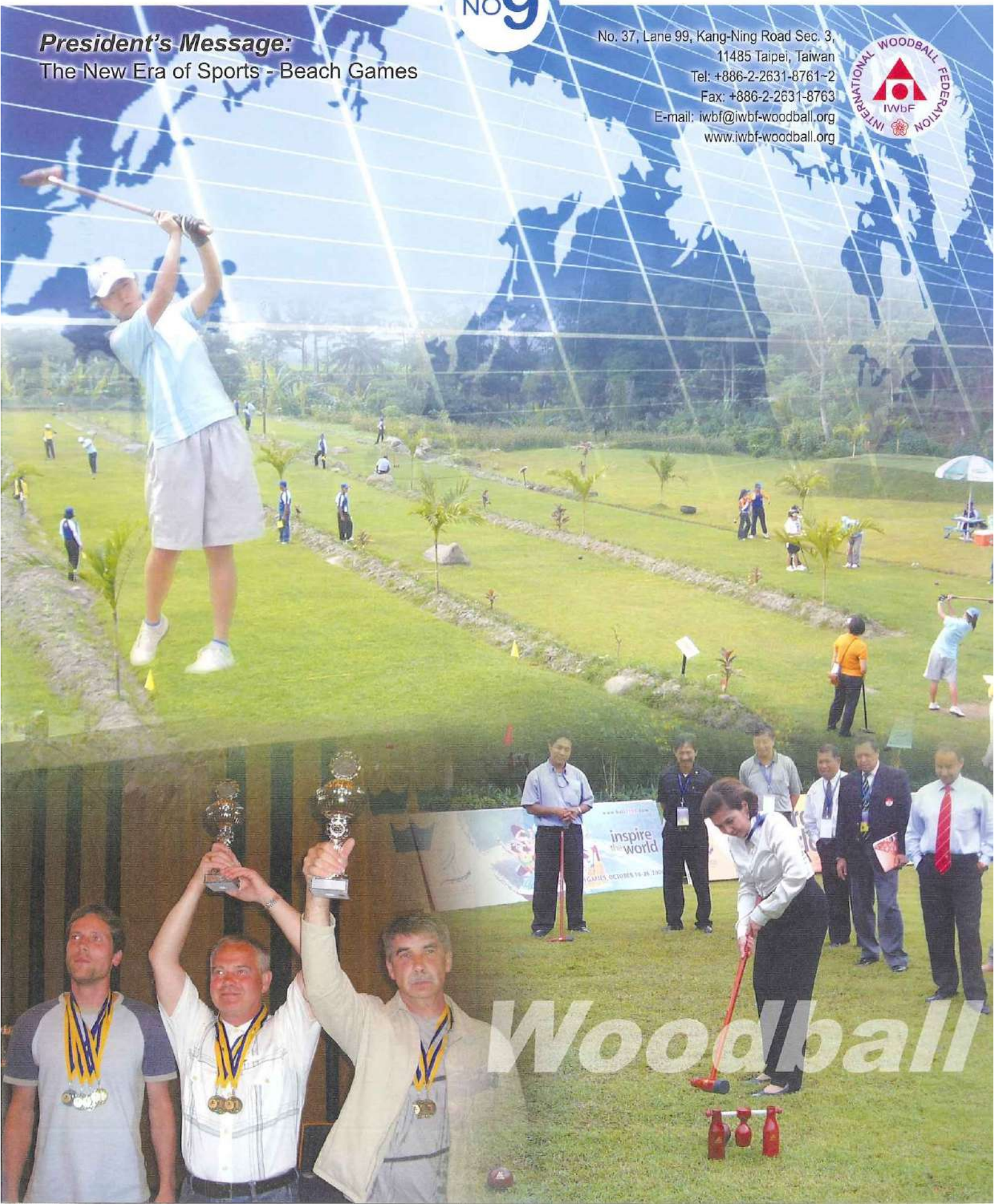
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體育新天地－沙灘運動會

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時代在前進，生活方式也逐漸改變，體育是生活的一部份，也在前進改變，迎向時代的需要。

傳統的體育活動，許多源自戰爭觀念，化戰場的對抗為運動場上的競技。千百年來的發展到了二十世紀末葉，大型體育活動成為許多國家不計代價展示國力的窗口。同時在商業的領導下，體育活動的重點成為少數明星運動員的表演和無數觀眾的組合，2008年北京奧運將是此兩種現象的登峰之作。

地球的資源有限，人類的浪費應有節制。國際上重要的體育領導者也已考慮及此，所以亞奧會明年開始舉辦沙灘運動會，在海闊天空的自然環境下，舉辦多元化的體育競技活動，豐富體育的內容，對人類的健康快樂將更有裨益。我們木球有幸參與此一運動會，這是我們的榮譽，也是我們的責任，我們木球朋友將盡全力配合辦好明年峇里島的沙灘運動會，向世人展現一種美好的體育新天地。

The New Era of Sports - Beach Games

Mr. Ming-Hui WENG
IWbF President

As the time progress, people's lifestyles are also changing. Sport is a part of our life. Therefore, it is also transforming to fulfill the needs of this century.

Traditional Sport Activities were generated by the idea of Wars. People used the idea of War battlefield to compete in sports. After thousand years of development, major sports in the late 20th century has gradually turned into the tool for countries to unfurl their national power. In the meanwhile, business starts to influence the sport culture. The combination of countless audiences and performances by major sport stars has become the main focus in the game. This phenomenon will reach its highest peak in the Beijing 2008 Olympic Games.

The resources on earth are limited; people should preserve and moderate their activities. The key international sport leaders have also apprehended the situation. Thus, the Asian Olympic Committee will hold the Asian Beach Games 2008 in Bali next year. Holding such diverse sport activities under the boundless sea, sky and surrounded by the natural environment not only enrich the sport activities, but also benefit people's health and their need to pursue happiness. It is our honor and responsibility to be able in joining this event. Let's put our best effort to ensure the success of the Asian Beach Games 2008 and show the world the new era of sports.



2007年第八屆新加坡獅子盃國際木球公開賽
8th Singapore Lion Cup International Woodball Open Championship 2007

1st Bulgarian Open Woodball Championship - Albena 2007 Report

D.Apostolov & G.Karov

General Representative of President and Secretary General of Bulgarian Woodball Federation

At the end of May 2007 it was held the First Open Woodball Championship of Bulgaria in the resort complex of Albena (www.albena.bg), near Varna ,where shall be held the 3rd World University Woodball Championship in June 2008.

Our position and evaluation as an Organizing Committee of the 1st BG Open – Albena 2007, is that the event was held quite successfully, and that it was good general rehearsal for Varna 2008 WUWbC.

Albena 2007 was important also not only to strengthen our organization experience, but also as means to popularize the sports in Bulgaria, and to start the real promotion in Europe. For September 2007 is planned the inauguration of the long awaited and prepared EUROPEAN WOODBALL FEDERATION. Formally EWbF will be formed by two nations - Bulgaria and Scotland, but we believe very quickly, others of all more than 40 European nations with either some tradition or great preliminary interest towards the Woodball will formalize their national woodball activity under our methodical and technical and legal help into national woodball organizations and will join in increasing number the EWbF and IWbF. We believe that Bulgaria as EU member possessing very modern NGO legislature is the logical control center for the total European woodball.

The Albena 2007 not only served as good example and promotional show for citizens of Scotland, England, Macedonia and other international participants, and as well as for occasional viewers from the tourist public into the complex , but proved before the Bulgarian sports authorities on the highest level that such sports possesses enormous quantity of positive features, that it has giant potential to be real sport for all, which gained for the Bulgarian Woodball Federation the serious attention of the highest sports officials in the nation, and even preparations some of them to be included into the Executive board of BWbF and to help directly with the promotion.

Numerous Wb events were planned until the end of 2007 involving students, university sports clubs and representatives of the business. The BWbF was joined by four new clubs from universities which have combined dozens of thousands of students, powerful corporations showed serious interest in Wb for team-building or for direct business tourist applications.

Concluding, we could say that Albena 2007 was the woodball event in Bulgaria which opened widely the gates before us for realization of our plan for Bulgarian and European Woodball promotion; the plan we cherish for more than 5 years.



國際木球總會執行秘書—翁啟祥、會長—翁明輝、保加利亞木球總會秘書長—Mr. Georgi KAROV、國際木球總會秘書長—黃振興與歐洲球員合影留念
From right to left, Mr. WENG Chi-Hsiang- Executive Secretary of IWbF, Mr. WENG Ming-Hui-the President of IWbF, Mr. Georgi KAROV, Secretary General of Bulgarian Woodball Federation, Dr. Chen Hsing HUANG-Secretary General of IWbF and European players

1st Indonesia Open Woodball International Championship

Mr. Tandyono Jecky
President of Indonesia Woodball Association



印尼木球協會會長Mr. Jecky頒獎給2007年第一屆印尼木球公開賽
女子個人組冠軍-司淑茹
The President of Indonesia Woodball Association awarded to
Ms. Ssu-the champion of Women's Singles in the 1st Indonesia Open
International Woodball Championship 2007.

The 1st Indonesia Open Woodball International Championship event has already taken place successfully. It was opened by Mr. H Hari Setiono, Deputy Ministry on behalf of Minister of Youth and Sports Indonesia.

The event itself was followed by 125 athletes from six countries: i.e, Malaysia, Taiwan, Singapore, China, Vietnam and the host Indonesia. It was held from 28 June – 3 July 2007 in Boyolali, Central Java. Taiwan Ladies' athletes and Malaysia Men's athletes dominated this championship. The next championship will be held in every two years' time.

May this first international event become the starting point development of Woodball game in Indonesia in the future.



Woodball Achieved International Sports Status

Mr. Thomas Kok
President of Asian Woodball Federation

As President of Asian Woodball Federation, I am most happy to say a few words for the achievement of Woodball Sports after 15 years of hardship to sail through the up and down wave and storm journey.

It is my pleasure and feel proud to announce that Woodball was being recognised as one of the Sports by Olympic Council Asia in the forth coming 1st Asia Beach Games to be held in BALI INDONESIA from 18/10/08-26/10/08. This is the fine achievement in terms of International Sports Status.

By next year, when the 1st Asia Beach games take place, Woodball will expose to the world, earning the new chapter in Woodball development. All selected National Players will have the chance to demonstrate their professional playing skill to the world. I am proud for those selected players. Congratulations!

Today, I am proud to mention that Woodball has spread to Asia, Eastern Europe, Russia and South Africa countries. Amongst them, Asian countries being most active region. Top the list in Championships organized are Chinese Taipei, 12 Championships; Malaysia, 11 Championships; Singapore, 8 Championships and Japan, 6 Championships. The rest of the countries are doing fine and expected to catch up.

Development of International Woodball Course in Asia region, Let alone Chinese Taipei as originated country being most active country, Malaysia has established the most International Woodball Courses in the World having more than 10 International Woodball Courses and Lanjut International Woodball Course has undeniably been rated the most beautiful Woodball Course in the world.

In view of fast growing pace, Woodball has become one of the most popular sports in Pahang State of Malaysia. The population of Woodball Players is round the region of 3,000 including school base.

It is anticipated that countries like Brunei, Philippines, Vietnam and Burma would join the Woodball family soon.

It is also expected to have more Championships take place organized by different countries thus become a very competitive challenging tasks.

Woodball development is prevailing and progress is on going to achieve greater height. Join effort, understanding and co-operation are the key factors to achieve the goal.

Woodball has created an excellence platform in friendship establishment globally. This is most valuable assets in Woodball family.

" FRIENDSHIP ABOVE ALL THROUGH WOODBALL SPORTS"



Photo Gallery



8th Singapore Lion Cup International Woodball Open
Championship 2007
2007年第八屆新加坡獅子盃國際木球公開賽
13 - 18 July 2007 : Singapore



5th Asian University Woodball Championship 2007
2007年第五屆亞洲大學木球錦標賽
20 - 23 August 2007 : Malaysia



1st Indonesia Woodball Inter
2007
2007年第一屆印尼國際木球
28 June - 3 July 2007 : B



1st Taiwan Beach Woodball Championship 2007
2007年台灣全國第一屆沙灘木球錦標賽
16 June 2007 : Taiwan



The venue of Woodball competition of 1st Asian
Beach Games 2008
2008年第一屆亞洲沙灘運動會木球比賽場地
18-26 October 2008 : Bali, Indonesia



11th Malaysia Woodball Inter
2007
2007年第十一屆馬來西亞國
23 - 27 August 2007 : Ma



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1st Bulgaria Woodball Open Championship 2007
第一屆保加利亞木球公開賽
27 - 30 May 2007 : Varna, Bulgaria



5th European Woodball Open Championship 2007
第五屆歐洲木球公開賽
2 - 5 August 2007 : Stockholm, Sweden



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International Woodball Events of September - November 2007

Date	Events	Venue	Host
28 Sep- 2 Oct	6 th Japan Open International Woodball Championship	Fukushima, Japan	Fukushima Woodball Association
October	2007 China International Woodball Open Tournament	Beijing, China	Chinese Leisure Sports Administrative Center
16 - 18 November	International Woodball Referee Workshop 2007	ChangHua, Taiwan	International Woodball Federation
15 - 20 November	Lions Club International Woodball Open Championship 2007	ChangHua, Taiwan	Chinese Taipei Woodball Association
15 - 20 November	5 th Asian Cup Woodball Championship 2007	ChangHua, Taiwan	Asian Woodball Federation
15 - 20 November	12 th Taiwan Open International Woodball Championship 2007	ChangHua, Taiwan	Chinese Taipei Woodball Association
16 - 17 November	5 th General Assembly of International Woodball Federation	ChangHua, Taiwan	International Woodball Federation
18 - 19 November	5 th General Assembly of Asian Woodball Federation	ChangHua Taiwan	Asian Woodball Federation

