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五年計畫-打響木球世界盃

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古今中外，革命造反，改朝換代，引無數英雄競折腰。然，體育界人物多仰賴國家資源，消磨於傳統項目獎牌之爭。鮮有自籌經費發展新時代體育項目之舉，因此木球運動的發展方法前無古人可循，也給我們無敵的發展空間。

我們知道以私人的力量做體育項目太小，所以首先即確定以廣交朋友來合作的原則。經過將近15年的奮鬥，國際木球總會的主要會員國已逐漸壯大，各國會長也更有雄心壯志。今年7月由臺灣、香港、馬來西亞和印尼組成的木球團隊參加在烏干達舉行的第五屆非洲大學運動會和舉辦木球講習會，證實了我們已有足夠的人才去執行本會第十期會訊中所計畫的開疆擴土工作，也再次證實了木球在新興國家地區廣受歡迎。

因為我們已具備了積極開疆擴土的條件，所以加緊準備2009年開始實行第一個五年計畫，以上期會訊所描述的新興三大區域為重點。頭兩年由本會協同三大區域領袖進行巡迴講習會和協助舉辦比賽工作，同時協助指導在各區域生產球具，預計可倍增2010年在泰國舉辦第四屆木球世界盃的場面。第三、四年由三大區域領袖主導三大區域聯盟的比賽工作和持續在區域內進行推廣工作，國際木球總會繼續提供指導與服務。

我們也會向美洲及大洋洲進行推廣工作，建立五大洲的木球友誼、充實世界盃的基礎。第五年開始策劃木球世界盃分區預賽工作和完整的比賽制度。第一個五年計畫本人將全力參與同時培養接班團隊，第二個五年計畫全部由接班團隊接力策劃執行，依此奮鬥發展，10年後世界盃必成為木球的代名詞。

The Five Year Plan- Affirming Stroke for the Woodball World Cup

Mr. Ming-Hui WENG
IWbF President

From past to present, revolutions and upheavals costing immeasurable heroic contributions have never ceased to offer changes for the better. Within the traditional sporting events, grave reliance on government resources and sponsorship to fund medaling opportunities further indicates inability to be self-sufficient. Woodball sport's method of promotion and development, based largely on private funding, is unheard of in the sporting world, which exact the reason for its unrivalled future.

While we ought to acknowledge the limitations of privately funded sports, our priority to initiate friendships around the globe affirms confidence and cooperation for goal to popularize the Woodball sport. Following 15 years of hard work, executive members have grown from strength to strength, with keen ambitions for international popularization of the Woodball sport. This July, talents from Taiwan, Hong Kong, Malaysia and Indonesia assembled to attend the 5th All Africa University Games, and lectured during the Woodball Clinic to delegates and participants at the Games. The great success of the Woodball Clinic validated our aptitude to execute the goal of 'Expand Woodball Territory' stated in the previous News Letter, furthermore, approval of the assured popularity of Woodball sport in emerging countries.

From past to present, revolutions and upheavals have contributed to formations of new eras and dynasties at the cost of heroic measures unimaginable. Sporting organizations have always had strong reliance on government resources to render in medaling opportunities in traditional sporting events. Rarely has a new sporting event that is self-funded for its promotions and development, thus, the Woodball sport's steps in development is untraceable for borrowing of historical experience, and therefore, allowance for unrivalled spaces for future development.

With talents that can confidently carry out our goal of expansion of Woodball territory, we need to hasten our preparation for executing the first 5-year plan starting from 2009, focusing on the emerging regions stated in the previous News Letter. Through regional leaders providing Workshop tours, championship preparation aid and manufacturing Woodball equipments locally for the first 2-years, the foreseeable future of multiple newcomers to the 2010 Woodball World Cup in Thailand is expected. The following two years will see regional leaders to take control of contact, promote and continual development within their prescribed regions, with IWbF oversees progress and assistance where necessary.

We will begin promotional works in the America and Australasia continents, to establish and nurture friendships built on the Woodball sport within the five-continent, as well as strengthening our foundation for the Woodball World Cup. After the first 5-year plan works will begin in planning regional preliminaries and thorough competition system. From 2009 I will be involved whole-heartedly, as well as training of the apprentice team to continue the works in progress. The second 5-year plan will allow for the apprentice team to take control of planning and executing further events to follow. Should the 5-year plans be followed, the Woodball World Cup will be the assured pronoun for the Woodball sport.



Mr. Ming-Hui WENG, IWbF President with DYTU TUANKU SYED FAIZUDDIN PUTRA JAMALULLAIL Prince (right) of Perlis State, Malaysia at the closing ceremony of 12th Malaysia Open
國際總會翁明輝會長與馬來西亞玻璃市州王子(右)於第十二屆馬來西亞木球公開賽閉幕晚宴合影

1st Bali Asian Beach Games 2008

Mr. Thomas KOK

President, Asian Woodball Federation / Technical Delegate of 1st Asian Beach Games

Warm Greeting from Asian Woodball Federation

By now, I believe members of Woodball fraternity are aware that the 1st Bali Asian Beach Games 2008 is scheduled to be held in Bali, Indonesia from 18th to 26th October 2008. So far as at 1st quarter of 2008, there are 16 sports participating in this inaugural 1st Bali Asian Beach Games. Woodball is honored to be one of the Sports for this auspicious International event. At the moment, there are 8 countries confirmed participating. Namely, Chinese Taipei, Indonesia, Macau, Malaysia, Mongolia, Philippines, Singapore and Thailand.

Woodball was invented by Mr. Weng Ming Hui and established in Taiwan in year 1990. After 18 years of hard endeavor, this is another historical milestone achievement and also the golden opportunity to expose Woodball in the World with Media coverage.

To all participating Woodball member countries, I congratulate you and feel proud for you.

Understandably, the Asian Beach Games shall be organized in 2 years interval and it was known that Oman will be the next hosting country for 2nd Asian Beach Games and after which, China shall be the next hosting country for 3rd Asian Beach Games.

As such, Woodball is becoming a highly competitive Sport and is expected to expand into many other countries in the World.

Lately, in July 2008, Woodball has extended to Uganda, 1st African Country of whole of Africa and the response is overwhelming. It is expected to spread at fast pace.

Next, we shall move on to Middle East countries since Oman is the next Asian Beach Games hosting country.

On behalf Asian Woodball Federation, we welcome Philippines Woodball Association to be a member of Asian Woodball Federation

WOODBALL TRAVEL TO EVERY COUNTRY AROUND THE WORLD CREATING INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP
AND EXCHANGE INTERNATIONAL CULTURE AND UNDERSTANDING
AMONGST PEOPLE IN THE WORLD.



Try-out of Chinese Taipei National Woodball team for the 1st Asian Beach Games held at Emerald Bay, Taiwan
臺灣翡翠灣所舉辦的第一屆亞洲沙灘運動會中華臺北代表隊選拔賽

Uganda Wins Inaugural Africa Varsity Championships

Mr. Namayo MAWERERE
Public Relations, Uganda Woodball Association



Mr. Ming-Hui WENG, IWbF President with Mr. Paul Mark Kayongo (left), President, Uganda Woodball Association
國際總會翁明輝會長與烏干達木球協會Kayongo會長(左)合影

Uganda won the inaugural All Africa University games Woodball Championships hosted July 2008 at Makerere University, Kampala.

The historical event coincided with the visit of the International Woodball Federation President, Ming-Hui Weng and clinic to introduce woodball to the participating countries.

Uganda dominated the championships winning a gold medal while Kenya took home silver at the 36-gate competition that attracted Senegal, Rwanda, Burundi and Ghana. A bronze medal stayed because some of the teams did not complete the gates owing to tight return air flight schedules.

Ugandans Rose Namudope emerged women champion with 189 strokes followed by teammates Betty Namazzi 200 and Sophie Namuddu 209.

Uganda's Isaac Musika scooped the men's title amassing 166, teammates Absolom Rwaganika a silver with 184 while bronze went to Onesmus Atamba with 185.

The best Kenyan finishers were Sammy Oyoo in 12th position who shot 244 and Gitau Mburu 13th with 245.

Ugandans again scooped the mixed doubles with Richard Asimwe pairing with Rose Namudope to win gold with 374, Atamba Onesmus and sophie Namuddu to take silver with 394 and bronze to Musika Issac with Connie Nankya for 396.

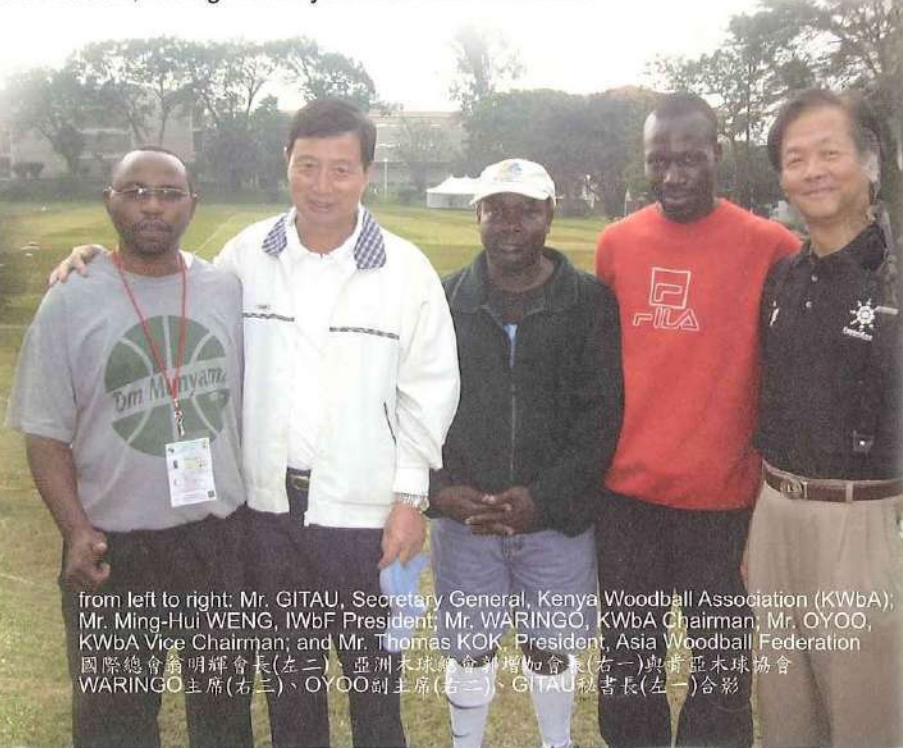
While in Kampala, President Ming-Hui Weng underlined the bright future lying ahead of woodball. "I have a vision of seeing woodball played at the Olympics before my retirement," President told the press.

Woodball was introduced in Africa and in Uganda in particular in 2006 and has since spread to Ugandan universities, educational institutions and beyond culminating into launching of the Kenyan Woodball Federation on July 15 in Kampala.

Paul Mark Kayongo, the Uganda University Sports Federation treasurer was elected unopposed to head the budding Uganda Woodball Federation launched by the IWbF President.

Kayongo released a five-point national action development programme to turn woodball a sport-for-all, improve on the locally made equipment with assistance of IWbF and Chinese Embassy in Uganda to make it affordable to average Ugandans.

The executive includes: President Paul Mark Kayongo, 1st Vice President Peninah Kabenge, 2nd Vice President John Ouma, Secretary General Godwin Senyondo, Assistant Secretary General Florence Nakamya, Treasurer Godfrey Masaba, Public Relations Officer Namayo Mawerere. Others, George Isabirye and Adam Sematiko.



5th All Africa University Games Woodball event
第五屆全非洲大學運動會木球比賽

from left to right: Mr. GITAU, Secretary General, Kenya Woodball Association (KWbA), Mr. Ming-Hui WENG, IWbF President; Mr. WARINGO, KWbA Chairman; Mr. OYOO, KWbA Vice Chairman; and Mr. Thomas KOK, President, Asia Woodball Federation
國際總會翁明輝會長(左二)、亞洲木球總會謝增如會長(右一)與肯亞木球協會 WARINGO主席(右三)、OYOO副主席(右二)、GITAU秘書長(左一)合影

From 16-21 May, Woodball Association (Singapore) successfully hosted the biannual 3rd World Cup Woodball Championship and the 9th Singapore Lion Cup International Woodball Open Championship, with players competing on the beautiful East Coast Park, stretching over 15km along the beach.

As the first step in preparation for the 1st Asian Beach Games in October, the courses were designed with 2 fairways on sand, in order for the players to experience playing on different ground conditions. Participants from 10 countries including Japan, Hong Kong, Mongolia, Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia, Uganda, Indonesia, Kenya and Chinese Taipei competed and exchanged encouragement and support, while many new friendships were formed.

After 3 days of fierce competition, the finals were held on the 21 May, with the winners' undecided until the very last minute. Sincere congratulations to

Award	Women	Country/Region	Men	Country/Region
Champion	Pi-Ju Chung	Chinese Taipei	Sheng-Hui Ho	Chinese Taipei
1 st Runner Up	Ying-Chi Peng	Chinese Taipei	Ng Yeow Gim	Singapore
2 nd Runner Up	Pei-Ju Ssu	Chinese Taipei	Mohd Taha Mahwan	Singapore

Taiwan took home the Ladies Team Champion, while Malaysia was declared the Men Team Champion. The level of skills and techniques shown by the players further proved the increase in quality and experience, with the newcomers showing no signs of slowing down to contest for the top prizes.

The honorable attendance of the Asian Olympic Council Sports Chairman WEI at the World Cup ceremony was of significant highlight, in recognition of the Woodball game that President WENG has invented. In addition, the Executive Committee Meeting was held during the World Cup, with main agenda being the hosting of 2010 World-leveled Championships. Congratulations to Thailand Woodball Association as the new host for the 2010 World Cup, and to Indonesia Woodball Association for responsibility to organize the 2010 World University Woodball Championships. We look forward to further developments to be reported in our next issue.



Mr. Ji-Zhong WEI (left), Chairman, Sports Committee, Olympic Council of Asia watches the 3rd World Cup Woodball Championship in Singapore. 亞洲奧林匹克理事會運動委員會魏紀中主席(左)於新加坡觀賞第三屆世界盃木球賽。

Mr. Kian Min ONG (left), Singapore MP / Honorary Advisor of Singapore Woodball Federation with Mr. Kim Ban KOH (second from right), President, Singapore Woodball Federation, and Mr. Ming-Hui WENG (right), IWbF President presenting the 3rd World Cup awards. 新加坡國會議員/新加坡木球總會名譽顧問王建明先生(左一)、新加坡木球總會主席金萬會長(右二)及國際總會翁明輝會長(右三)頒獎給第三屆世界盃木球賽事得獎者。

Photo Gallery



IWBf Executive Committee Meeting 2008
國際木球總會執行委員會會議
19-20 May 2008 : Singapore



9th Singapore Lion Cup International Woodball Open Championship 2008 / International Tour - S
2008年第九屆新加坡獅城盃木球公開賽/國際木球巡迴賽-新加坡站
16-21 May 2008 : East Coast Park, Singapore



3rd World Cup Woodball Championship 2008 / International Tour - 3rd World Cup Stop
2008年第三屆世界盃木球錦標賽/國際木球巡迴賽-世界盃
16-21 May 2008 : East Coast Park, Singapore



12th Malaysia Woodball International
2008年第12屆馬來西亞木球國際賽
20-25 August 2008 : Kuala Lumpur



5th All Africa University Games
第五屆全非洲大學運動會
6-16 July 2008 : Kampala



Uganda Woodball Clinic 2008
2008年烏干達木球講習會
12-13 July 2008 : Kampala



Singapore Stop



Hong Kong Woodball Open Championship 2008 / International Tour - Hong Kong Stop
2008香港木球公開賽/國際木球巡迴賽-香港站
13 April 2008 : University of Science & Technology, Hong Kong



Malaysia Open Championship 2008 / International Tour - Malaysia Stop
2008馬來西亞木球公開賽/國際木球巡迴賽-馬來西亞站
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia



Uganda



Philippine Woodball Workshop 2008
2008年菲律賓木球講習會
23-26 July 2008 : Manila, Philippines



Uganda



2nd Indonesia Open International Sandy - Grass Woodaball Championship 2008 / International Tour - Indonesia Stop
2008年第二屆印尼沙灘草地國際木球公開賽/國際木球巡迴賽-印尼站
26 June - 1 July 2008 : Central Java, Indonesia



Current Rankings of the International Woodball Tour Championships 2008

The International Woodball Tour Championships 2008 so far has seen successful completion of the Hong Kong Open, World Cup, Singapore Lions Cup and Indonesia Open. At the completion of Malaysia Open, the Top 10-placed individuals currently stand:

Ranking	Women	Country/Region	Pt.	Ranking	Men	Country/Region	Pt.
1	Ying-Chi Peng	Chinese Taipei	146	1	Ariffin Bin Mamat	Malaysia	130
2	Pi-Ju Chung	Chinese Taipei	143	2	Syed Bakar Osman	Malaysia	128
3	Zainal A.Awang	Malaysia	121	3	Meng-Hung Tsai	Chinese Taipei	126
4	Ya-Hsing Huang	Chinese Taipei	115	4	Jamil Mat Ali	Malaysia	108
5	Pei-Ju Ssu	Chinese Taipei	114	5	Hamkar Abd Ghafar	Malaysia	99
6	Marie Lien Wen Wa	Malaysia	101	6	Mohd Taha Mahwan	Singapore	95
7	Chang Gek Hong	Singapore	93	7	Azmi Ahmad	Malaysia	89
8	Chu-Chuan Lu Lin	Chinese Taipei	83	8	Ng Yeow Gim	Singapore	88
9	Tang Kai Kian	Singapore	82	9	Sheng-Hui Ho	Chinese Taipei	80
10	Hsin-I Tseng	Chinese Taipei	81	10	Wong Siu Kai	Hong Kong	79

Congratulations to all participants in the International Woodball Tour Events, with continuance of participation will see fierce competitions for the top placing.

Upcoming International Woodball Tour Championships 2008

Date	Events	Venue	Host
20-22 September	China International Woodball Open Tournament 2008	Beidaihe, CHINA	Chinese Leisure Sports Administrative Center
26-28 September	7 th Japan Open Woodball International Championship	Fukushima, JAPAN	Japan Woodball Federation
18-26 October	1 st Asian Beach Games	Bali, INDONESIA	Olympic Council of Asia
27 Nov. - 2 Dec.	13 th Taiwan Open International Woodball Championship 2008	Taipei, TAIWAN	Chinese Taipei Woodball Association

Upcoming International Woodball Events 2008

Date	Events	Venue	Host
28-29 November	Rules Technical Commission Meeting 2008	Taipei, TAIWAN	International Woodball Federation
29 Nov. – 1 Dec.	IWbF Provisional Meeting 2008	Taipei, TAIWAN	International Woodball Federation

