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21st LION CITY CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 21st Singapore Lion City International DanceSport Championships returns this year. After a hiatus of three years, the 21st edition of this prestigious event makes a comeback onto our calendar. This time, the event was held in partnership with the Singapore DanceSport Federation.



Preparations for the event began as the dancesport event in the region usually picks up after the month of June, and also it was the time for many countries in the region to host their own local national selections ahead of the coming 2010 Guangzhou Asian Games. Many countries made the Lion City Championships one of their Asian Games Selection events.

The event opened with a stunning formation display by China's Award-Winning Standard Formation Team (left); and ended with a cabaret show from Stefano Di Filippo & Olga Urumova (Latin, below left), Evgeniy Imrekov & Elizaveta Divak (Showdance, below centre).







VIPs included Mr & Mrs Oon Jin Teik (CEO, Singapore Sports Council) and Dr Lee Li Eng (Chairperson, ACS Board of Management).

Clearly the audience had an enjoyable time, and the dancefloor was packed during the General Dancing sessions (above).

2010 GUANGZHOU ASIAN GAMES

The 2010 Guangzhou Asian Games will be held in Guangzhou, China from 12 – 27 November 2010. The DanceSport event will be held on 13 & 14 November 2010 at the Zengcheng Gymnasium. A total of 30 medals (10 Golds, 10 Silvers and 10 Bronzes) will be at stake. The events are (Standard) Waltz, Tango, Slow Foxtrot, Quickstep and 5-Dance Standard; (Latin) Samba, Cha-Cha, Paso Doble, Jive and 5-Dance Latin. At the time of writing, all

the Asian National Olympic Councils (NOCs) are busy with their respective evaluations, submissions and recommendations to decide if they will be sending athletes to the event. Stay tuned for more updates.

Dance Flame

IDSF ADJUDICATORS' CONGRESS



The 2010 IDSF Adjudicators' Congress was held in Singapore on Sunday 4 July 2010. The Standard Lecture was delivered by Mr Daniele Tondon (Italy); the Latin Lecture was conducted by Mr Victor Nikovsky (Russia, left) with Evgeniy Imrekov & Elizaveta Divak (Russia) as the demonstrators.

The Congress was attended by more than 50 participants from around the region, some were new hopeful applicants of the IDSF Adjudicators' Licence.

At the end of the Congress, an English Language test was administered by SGDF Exco Ms Hwa Mee Thoo (Vice-President) and Ms Sabrina Sim (Publicity Manager). This is a requirement by the International DanceSport Federation (IDSF), as all Olympic Sports are required to be conducted in English.

WORLD-CUP TEN DANCE & ASIA-PACIFIC CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 2010 IDSF Asia-Pacific (Standard & Latin) Championships were held on 28 & 29 August 2010 in Chun Cheon City, Korea. The DanceSport event was part of the 1^{st} World Leisure Games (28 August 2010 – 5 September 2010) which consisted of 13,000 competitors from 50 countries for 6 domestic and 9 international games.

Singapore was represented by Mr Robert Ong (Adjudicator), Mario Palermo & Irma Tan (Latin) and Kelvin Toh & Tiara Zhang (Standard).

The city of Chun Cheon was a 2.5 hour bus ride (without traffic jams) from Seoul International Airport. Several other teams took up to four hours to arrive at the accommodation complex. The official accommodation was part of a family resort, apartment-style complex very close to the ski slopes. The rooms were very spacious, which can be expected of an apartment-style family room, with cooking facilities. The Games were held at the Songram Sports Town, located at the heart of the Korean peninsula



Competition Venue



Opening Ceremony



The Adjudicators were invited to a Welcome Dinner, hosted by the Korean Federation of DanceSport (KFD), with special guests Mr Carlos Freitag, IDSF President.





DanceSport was among the first games that commence on the same day as the World Leisure Games grand opening ceremony on 28 August 2010, featuring the IDSF World Cup Ten Dance Championships 2010 and the IDSF Asian Pacific Standard DanceSport Championships. The IDSF Asian Pacific Latin DanceSport Championships and the IDSF International Open Standard and Latin Championships, were held the next day, on 29 August 2010.

Organised by the Korean Federation of DanceSport (KFD), the events attracted an impressive number of entries from all over the world. Twenty-nine countries participated in the IDSF World Cup Ten Dance Championships. Winning first place were Anton Skuratov and Alena Uehlin, from Germany, followed by Filippov Andrey and Tarlykova Anastasia, from Russia, in first-runners-up and Anton Belyayev and Antoaneta Popova, from Canada, in second runners-up.

RESULTS (WORLD CUP TEN DANCE)

- 1. Anton Skuratov & Alena Uehlin (Germany)
- 2. Filippov Andrey & Tarlykova Anastasia (Russia)
- 3. Anton Belyayev & Antoaneta Popova (Canada)
- 4. Marco Cuocci & Nadiya Dyatlova (Italy)
- 5. Lyatov Volodymyr & Myshko Veronika (Ukraine)
- 6. Jaak Vainomaa & Taina Savikurki (Finland)

The IDSF Asian Pacific DanceSport Championships had 23 couples, from 15 countries, in the Standard events and 28 couples, from 17 countries, competing in the Latin events. Results from the IDSF Asian Pacific DanceSport Championships:

RESULTS (ASIA-PACIFIC) Standard

| 1. | Yang Chao & Tan Yiling (China) |
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| 2. | Ishihara Masayuki & Kubo Ayami (Japan) |
| 3. | Shen Hong & Liang Yujie (China) |

Latin

Anton Belyayev & Antoaneta Popova (Canada)
Shi Lei & Zhang Baiyu (China)
Arkady Bakenov & Rosa Filippello (Australia)

The IDSF International Open DanceSport Championships received an outstanding number of 47 entries, from 29 countries, in the Standard events and 91 entries, from 31 countries, in the Latin events. Results from the IDSF International Open DanceSport Championships:

| RESULTS (IDSF INTERNATIONAL OPEN) | | | |
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| <u>Standard</u> | <u>Latin</u> | | |
| 1. Benedetto Ferruggia & Claudia Kohler (Germany) | 1. Aniello Langella & Khrystyna Moshenska (Italy) | | |
| 2. Simone Segatori & Annette Sudol (Germany) | 2. Vladimir Karpov & Mariya Tzaptashvilli (Russia) | | |
| 3. Rosario Guerra & Cinzia Benicasa (Italy) | 3. Panteleev Vitaly & Glukhova Daria (Russia) | | |



OTHER NEWS



SGDF President Mr Robert Ong was invited to adjudicate at the Philippines and Vietnamese National DanceSport Championships recently.

Mr Ong travel around the region frequently, establishing and reestablishing ties with our regional dancesport neighbours, and also to promote and develop dancesport in the region though dialogs and meetings.

Left: In Vietnam; Below: In The Philippines



UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2-3 October 2010 10 October 2010 10 October 2010 13 November 2010 13-14 November 2010 27-28 November 2010 4 December 2010 18 December 2010 IDSF Asian DanceSport Championships Taipei Open DanceSport Championships World University DanceSport Championships IDSF World Latin DanceSport Championships 16th Asian Games (DanceSport) Asian Youth DanceSport Championships IDSF Grand Slam Finals IDSF World Junior II Latin Championships

Macau

Taipei, Chinese Taipei Taipei, Chinese Taipei New York, USA Guangzhou, China Hong Kong Shanghai, China Riga, Latvia

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