

# **NEWSLETTER**

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## ***SEASON'S GREETINGS*** & ***HAPPY NEW YEAR***

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### ***22<sup>nd</sup> Adults & 13<sup>th</sup> Junior European Championships were successfully held***

The 22<sup>nd</sup> Adults & 13<sup>th</sup> Junior European Championships were held in Tallinn, Estonia from 17<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> Oct. 2007.

Over 600 competitors from 30 countries were gathering and deepening the friendships and solidarity among themselves.

During the Championships, the AETF Congress was held and decided to change its name into the Europe International Taekwon-Do Federation (EITF) and create new Logo for EITF.

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### ***8<sup>th</sup> Pan Am Taekwon-Do Championships ended in success***

The above Championships took place in Tarija, Bolivia from 11<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> Oct. this year under the participation of more than 800 competitors from 18 countries.

The interesting thing in those periods was that the PTC with Master Benny Rivera as its President introduced the fresh methods to conduct the seminar and these special and professional seminars taken by several Masters including GM Park Jong Soo definitely gave the deep impressions and satisfaction to the participants.

If anybody is interested in the method and content of each seminar, please feel free to contact Master Benny Rivera.

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## ***Unexpected outcomes brought by the DPRK Demonstration Team during its trip to USA***

As well known to this globe, the DPRK Demonstration Team paid the goodwill visits to USA from 4<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2007 first ever in its history.

They performed in the big cities Los Angeles, San Francisco, Cedar Rapids, Louisville and Atlanta during their trip to the States and, everywhere they visited, the spectators were very much excited and even shocked with their splendid and excellent techniques and cried that ITF is “No. 1 Martial Art” in the world.

For the detailed information on it, you are cordially invited to visit the web page [www.usnktkd.com](http://www.usnktkd.com)

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## ***The other view of ITF, Pro Fight, made the audiences crazy***

As scheduled, the “1<sup>st</sup> ITF Pro Fight” competitions took place in Zagreb, Croatia on 17<sup>th</sup> Nov. this year.

Of course, as the first event organized by ITF, it was true that the peoples had at first alternated between the expectations and worries.

Despite of it, the competitions were enough to attract and draw the interesting and hearts of the spectators.

The audiences were really crazy with the wonderful skills of the competitors as well as with the super techniques of ITF comparing to other kinds.

Through this opportunity, ITF sends its warm CONGRATULATIONS to Master Anto Nobile, the organizer of this astonished events, and his team for their great contributions to the development of ITF.

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## ***The 3<sup>rd</sup> Session of CCTI went smooth***

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Session of “Coordination Committee for Taekwon-Do Integration” (CCTI) between ITF and WTF was held in Beijing, China on 22-23 Oct. 2007.

At the Session, both sides agreed to establish the sub-committees for Sparring and Pattern respectively under the Coordination Committee, which aim at having the simultaneous discussions to unify the technical aspects of Sparring and Pattern.

It would greatly be conducive to enabling the competitors from ITF and WTF to go to the Olympic Games on an equal footing in the near future.

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## *Notification for the 3<sup>rd</sup> IMG*

The 3<sup>rd</sup> International Martial Arts Games (IMG) will take place in Bangkok, Thailand from 12<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> Apr. 2008.

ITF is going to organize the competitions for adults with the age of 18-39 and the competition items are only the Sparring for Individual and Team, Pattern for Individual and Team and Self Defense Routine in the periods of this event, and the ITF Tournament and Umpire Rules will be applied.

For the Individual Matches for Sparring and Pattern, each country is allowed to send up to 3 competitors according to the weight categories and Dan divisions of the competitors and must bring 1 Umpire to this event.

The invitation and information issued by the Organizing Committee will be forwarded to you in due course.

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