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To all WTBA member federations

WTBA Congress

At WTBA Congress 4 August in Las Vegas a lot of legislative items were discussed. Here follows some of the most important decisions. You can read about all decisions later when the Congress minutes will be ready.

Oiling pattern at championships (Rule 4.6.2 – 4.6.8)

The new rule says there are three oiling pattern categories from which two categories will be selected latest two months before a championship. In each category there are 3-4 patterns available on WTBA website 15 January each year.

The definite patterns within the two selected categories to be used during a championship will be published at the team manager meeting.

Number of bowling balls in championship (Rule 4.10.2 – 4.10.9)

The new rule says that a maximum of six balls for each player will be permitted during a championship. A player can register less than six balls when the championship starts and then register more balls up to a total of 6 balls. No replacement of balls permitted.

No smoking

If a player is caught smoking during a game he/she will have zero pinfall for that game. If smoking between games within a block he/she will have zero pinfall in the succeeding game.

Slow bowling (Rule 4.21.1)

4.21.1 d) will be read as "A player is given 30 seconds from the moment the previous bowler steps down from the approach to the time the ball leaves the hand of the bowler"

The proposed "Double Jump" was not approved.

Tie rule

In case a tie exists in Single, Double, trios or Team event before the semifinals the highest positioned will be the player/team with the highest last game

Combined World Championship

From 2013 a combined (men and women) World Championship will be in our program again. Every 4th year 36 men team (countries) and 36 women team will play WC. Qualification will be in each zone and the number of countries from each zone depends on how many members there are in each zone. At the moment this means 16 countries from Europe, 11 from Asia and 9 from American zone. The definite distribution will be decided 1st January two years before the championship's year.

2014 there will be an Men's World Championship open for all member federations as now. 2015 a World Women Championship. 2016 no World Championship. Next Combined Championship 2017 an so on.

The bidding procedure has changed, and will be reviewed by the Presidium prior to any further steps, including the commencement of any bid process.

New elected 2nd Vice President

Mr Cui Zhiqiang, China was elected as new WTBA 2nd Vice President for two years. Email address to him is ezgolf@vip.sina.com

Marti Koedijk, Netherlands and Cathy Innes, Canada were elected as auditors for two years.



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World Women Championships

In World Women Championship in Las Vegas 27 July – 2 August the following medallist were appointed:

Single

- 1 Stefanie Nation, USA
- 2 Sandra Gongora, Mexico
- 3 Krista Pöllänen, Finland
- 3 Anja Ginge Jensen, Denmark

Double

- 1 Korea
- 2 Australia
- 3 Korea
- 3 Denmark

Trios

- 1 Chinese Taipei
- 2 USA
- 3 Japan
- 3 Denmark

All Event

- 1 Clara Juliana Guerrero, Colombia
- 2 Helen Johnsson, Sweden
- 3 Carolyn Dorin-Ballard, USA

Team

- 1 Korea
- 2 USA
- 3 Sweden
- 3 Singapore

Masters

- 1 Clara Juliana Guerrero, Colombia
- 2 Hwang Sun-Ok, Korea
- 3 Son Yun-Hee, Korea
- 3 Gang Hye-Eun, Korea

World Games

In World Games in Kaohsiung, Chinese Taipei 20-22 July the following medallists were appointed:

Women

- 1 Krista Pöllänen, Finland
- 2 Zara Glover, England
- 3 Liza del Rosario, Philippines

Mixed

- 1 Korea
- 2 Colombia
- 3 Malaysia

Men

- 1 Manuel Otalora, Colombia
- 2 Wu Siu Hong, Hong Kong
- 3 Adrian Ang, Malaysia

WTBA Committees

Onder Gurkan, Turkey is new co-chair for Technical/Coaching Committee as Magnus Johnson, Sweden has resigned from that position.

New members of Federation Development Committee are: Jose Guandique, El Salvador and Suwalai Satrulle, Thailand

New member federations

At FIQ Congress 5 August the following new federations of WTBA were accepted as full members: Serbia, Tunisia and Uzbekistan. Two federations were reinstated: Nicaragua and Paraguay. At the moment WTBA has 112 member federations.

Extra FIQ Congress

In conjunction with World Men Championship in Munich, Germany in August next year there will be an Extra FIQ Congress. Definite date will be decided later.

Next Presidium meeting.

Next WTBA Presidium meeting will be held 26-27 February 2010 in Barcelona, Catalonia/Spain.

Member federations that want to submit proposals which they wish to be considered by the Presidium have to send the proposals to WTBA Secretary General latest 25 January 2010

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