Congratulations to Mr. Raul Schiappa-Pietra on becoming the President of the Association in Peru.

Re-elected as President of the Deutschland-ITF in Germany, we congratulate Mr. Paul Weiler.

In Madagascar we have a new President, Mr. Rajoelisolo Andrianorosoa to whom we send congratulations.

A change in the position of Chairman of the Promotion Committee and we wish Master Hwang Kwang Sung all the very best for the future in this position.

At the meeting of 5th Dan and above, which is planned around April 11th, 1996 in Canada, ITF policy will be discussed. There will also be a seminar and a small charge of $100.00 per person will be levied to cover some expenses. It is anticipated that members will arrive on April the 8th. A seminar will be held on the 9th, with the policy discussions being on the 10th, and a day of celebration on the 11th.

In accordance with the ITF rules a person must be 14½ years old to be promoted to 2nd Dan. This means that the minimum age for a 3rd Dan must be 16½ and a 4th Dan 19½.

Just a reminder that the 6 month reduction in time between gradings for participation in an international course may only be used once. When applying for the Dan certificate, please quote the course certificate number, next to the grading date, to get the reduction.

So-San Tul has mistakes in the printing in both the manual and the encyclopaedia. Movements numbers 11 and 15 should have the words "forming a forearm guarding block" deleted.

A sample 'sticker' is included with this newsletter. Stickers may be purchased at a cost of 50 cents each. When ordering we ask you to order a minimum of 50 stickers.

The Polish national team visited Mariestad, Sweden on 17th and Skövde on 18th June to have a match, on the two days, between them and the Swedish national team. Photo above shows the officials for the events with the two teams and the mascot of the competition "Tony Tiger". The photo below shows an article printed in a local newspaper. Both days were won by the Polish team with a score of 5 to 2 in Mariestad and 4 to 3 in Skövde.

Some of the action in the photo above but we have no names.
Part of the demonstration given shows Jaana Hautajärvi 5 Kup from Skövde doing the box splits.
Please send photographs with notifications/articles which could be entered in the newsletter. It would also be appreciated if we could have photos of the presidents of the NGBs.

Please note that if we print anything at people's request that we take no responsibility for the details being wrong.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS SEMINARS

with Gen. Choi Hong Hi 1995

JULY
19th. to 21st. SOUTH AFRICA.
24th. to 26th. in ISRAEL.
28th. to 30th. in Reading, ENGLAND.

AUGUST
4th. to 6th. in Livingston, SCOTLAND
18th. to 20th. in Alberta, CANADA.

SEPTEMBER
5th. to 7th. in TAJIKISTAN.
10th. to 13th. in LATVIA.
15th. to 17th. in LITHUANIA.
22nd. to 24th. in IRELAND.

OCTOBER
4th. to 7th. in COLOMBIA.
9th. to 11th. in PERU.
13th. to 15th. in ARGENTINA.
16th. in URUGUAY.
18th. to 20th. in PARAGUAY.

NOVEMBER
GUATEMALA?

DECEMBER
15th. to 17th. in NICARAGUA.
1996 JANUARY
12th. to 16th. in AUSTRALIA.
19th. to 21st. in NEW ZEALAND.

MALAYSIA.

Please note that after January 1996 Gen. Choi Hong Hi will not hold seminars unless there are special circumstances for it.

CHAMPIONSHIPS 1995


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DECEMBER - 2nd. & 3rd. Polish Young Juniors-open, 9th. & 10th. the Peter the Great Cup in St. Petersburg, Russia.

1996
MARCH - 2nd. - 1st. Open for Netherlands.

We remind you that for Continental Championships you must have written permission from the ITF.

PROMOTIONS

Many congratulations to those who have been promoted.
Vth. Degree
1995
May 26th. - Sheena Sutherland - UK.

Vth. Degree
Feb. 4th. - Donald Partch - USA.

IVth. Degree
Feb. 4th. - Todd Creason, Mark Breede - USA.

Mar. 25th. - Robert Meza - USA.
Apr. 15th. - Wee Khiong Soon, Angelica Cariati - Canada.
22nd. - LeRoi Rodriguez, Richard Nichols, Louis Reyes - USA.
May 2nd. - Johannes Reimer, Christian Isaksen - Greenland.
7th. - Gary Hutchison - UK.
Jun. 3rd. - Claude Chin - Jamaica.
4th. - Dragan Zdjelar - Croatia.

YEARLY PLANS

Please send a copy of your plans for 1995/1996 to this office.

When sending fees to the ITF we ask you to send only 1 cheque/money order as we have to pay bank charges for every one of them. Should you send more than 1 then we shall have to ask you for the extra bank charges. Please also note that personal cheques are not acceptable as the bank charges are $15.00 per cheque. Only send certified cheques.

We thank those of you who send photos and articles, sadly it is very few. The ITF Bulletin is planned to be issued regularly, hopefully building up to become a magazine. Without your cooperation by sending articles and photos there is no chance for the Bulletin, never mind a magazine, to be printed. Surely there are students out there who have the time and the inclination to help. Please give this your attention and help us to publish a classy magazine. A copy of the bulletin is enclosed.

Printed below are extracts from rules for you to be reminded about:

4. MEMBERSHIP

Practitioners must obtain membership to the ITF, on payment of the appropriate fee, through their national governing body. On payment of the fee the membership card and badge will be given to the practitioners. This permits them to participate in ITF activities for which they are eligible.

11. CERTIFICATES DEGREE

These will be issued to members, on application, from the national governing body whose President will sign the forms giving approval and have them forwarded, with the appropriate fee, to the ITF HQ within one month of the grading date. The completed certificates, large and small, will be sent to the NGB with the degree badge which must be presented to the member.

12. DRESS BELT

There are 6 orders of belts: white, yellow, green, blue, red, black. The width of the belt is 5cm. The thickness 3mm. The width of the stripe, on the end of the belt, for 9th, 7th, 5th, 3rd and 1st kup is also 5mm. The distance between the stripe and the end of the belt is 5cm. Black Belt ranks are distinguished by Roman numerals on the belt.
Dear Mr. President,

I sincerely appreciate the support rendered by International Taekwon-Do Federation to Saint-Petersburg Taekwon-Do Federation's initiative to host the X-th World Taekwon-Do Championship (ITF) in Saint-Petersburg, June-July 1997.

The Saint-Petersburg Municipality confirms and guarantees the X-th World Taekwon-Do Championship (ITF) to be carried out properly in our city in the above mentioned period. I am sure that this event will be the great festival for sportsmen and citizens.

Mayor of Saint-Petersburg,