Here we are at the beginning of 1991 in the year when the ITF has its 25th. anniversary on the 22nd, of March. As far as is known, by us, there was no decision taken by the IOC to adopt Taekwon-Do as an official sport at the 1996 games. Unless there is a change in the IOC rules, a sport must be adopted 6 years before the games in which it will appear. Our focus is now on the International Martial Arts Games Committee (IMAG), as proposed by Gen. Choi Hong Hi, and we look forward to some cooperation with this from the other martial arts. We have our World Championships in Korea in September of next year and you are able to plan a holiday well in advance. A letter is being sent to Korea asking for details of holiday resorts and you will be notified later. We have just had the first European Junior Championships in Vienna and it was well received by the young students. Thirteen countries sent teams which surprised the organisers and the competition time will have to be expanded in the future. We hope that this will be the year for consolidation and cooperation with our fellow martial artists.

SPECIAL COURSES

The dates for the special course in the Soviet Union have been changed and it will now be held in August. The duration of the course, which would be held in Moscow, would be 1 year. Students should, ideally, be 1" or 2", up to 25 years old, with the males being about 1.8 metres tall, and no restriction on height for females. They must be determined to carry on as a professional TKD instructor following the course. They would be required to pay their own way to Moscow. The cost of their food and accommodation would be US$10.00 per day whilst living in Moscow. They would be expected to pass on their knowledge for the benefit of everyone in their country. If successful, the student could expect to become qualified to IVth. Degree International Instructor. Should you be interested in this course, then please write to the ITF HQ in Vienna by the 1st. of May 1991.

UKTA HOME INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

These were held on Sunday 11th. November 1990 at Didcot in England. Host was Mr. Gary Miller, the medals and Master Rhee Cup were presented by ITF Vice President Master Rhee Ki Ha. Results were:

Sparring / England - Gold, Wales - Silver, Scotland and Ireland - Bronze.
Pattern / Scotland - Gold, England - Silver, Ireland and Wales - Bronze.
Power / England - Gold, Scotland - Silver, Ireland and Wales - Bronze.

Overall winners were England with 8 points, Scotland had 6, Wales 4, and Ireland 3.

NORWAY 10th. ANNIVERSARY

Enclosed.
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GRADING EXAMINERS

You are reminded that before you may be a grading examiner and grade students (including 10th to 1st kup students), that you must have an international instructor certificate. You qualify for this certificate when you have successfully completed an international course and are 4' or above.

TIME CONCESSION FOLLOWING COURSE

The ITF allow you to qualify to take a grading 6 months earlier than normal when you have successfully completed an international course. If you attend more than 1 course it does not mean that you can take a grading earlier than the 6 month concession. Only 1 period of 6 months' concession is allowed.

You should note on the grading form that you have taken a course and give the course number and date of it.

GRADINGS FOR 4' AND ABOVE

A reminder that the ITF require to have your thesis, and personal history forms, with a copy of the grading application at least 3 months in advance of the grading.

INTERNATIONAL COURSES

March 8th. to 15th. there will be a course held in Regina, Saskatchewan and you should write to Mr. Phap LU, National Secretary CTFI, 340 Gladstone Avenue, Ottawa, Ontario K2P 0Y8, CANADA for details. Another course will be held in Ottawa from March 17th. to 23rd. and you should also contact Mr. Phap Lu about that. The date of the next course in Vienna has been changed and it will now run from 29th. March until the 4th. of April. Please be kind enough to apply now. A course will be held in DPR Korea in April and it is planned to hold one in Africa in June. ITF-UK are holding a course in Edinburgh, Scotland in July, at the Meadowbank Stadium. There will be a course in Miami, Florida from November 3rd. to 9th. 1991 and you should write to Mr. Mel STEINER, 12122 S.W. 131 Avenue, Miami, Florida 33186, USA for details. August should see a course in the Soviet Union.

EVENTS UPDATE

In 1990 Gen. Choi Hong Hi attended the National Tournament in the Soviet Union, in October, while November saw him at the Canadian Nationals where over 700 competitors were in attendance. A further visit to the Soviet Union was paid in November and a course held from 26th. to 30th. Then in December to Korea. 1991 sees Gen. Choi Hong Hi in Australia from January 12th. to 18th. Then in New Zealand from 21st. until 25th. India are to host their 5th. National Championships at Trivandrum Kerala on the 16th. and 17th. February. In April/May ITF-UK will host the European Championships in Cardiff, Wales. May 18th. will be the North American Invitational TKD Tournament with Puerto Rico, USA, and Canada in attendance in Ottawa. November 11th. and 12th. has the Canadian TKD Championships to be held in Regina.

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PROMOTIONS
Many congratulations to those who have been promoted.

Vth. Degree
May 19 - Ireland - Robert Howard, Anthony Phelan.
Aug 17 - Italy - Wim Bos.
- Norway - Jan Erik Lehn.
- Sweden - Fikret Guler, Yeo Chin Huat.
24 - Korea - Cho Chol Ho.
Sep 15 - Germany - Kim Lan Ung.

Vth. Degree
Dec 03 1989 - Malaysia - Ricky Low, Chin Lee Kee, Choong Teck Hong, Khoo Hock Guan, Low Leong Tuck.
Apr 04 1990 - GB - Kresen Naidoo
May 19 - Ireland - Francis Barrett.
Aug 08 - GB - Michael Prewett, John Williamson, Timothy Helstrip.
Aug 17 - Argentina - Alfredo Belardinelli.
- Canada - Walter Zdeb, Pierre Laquerre.
24 - Korea - Li Yong Nam, Han Dok Sam, Chol Jun Chon, Song Gun Son.
30 - USA - Louis Reyes.
Sep 15 - Germany - Won Byong Ho.
- GB - Sheena Sutherland.
Oct 20 - USA - Gary Meek.

IVth. Degree
Dec 03 1989 - Malaysia - Toh Khek Tong, Alex Lee, Chow Chan Kong, Lee Hok Heng, Bernard Nelson, Tan Eng Kiat, Goh Bong Soo.
Mar 18 1990 - GB - Gary Miller.
Jul 11 - USA - Marty Lester.
Aug 05 - GB - Paul Jermy, Albert Blissett.
17 - Argentina - Claudio Marchi, Victor Siniscalco, Facundo Alarcon, Marcelo Vatrano.
- Canada - Santino Caputo, Marc Morin, Langlois Benoit.
- Colombia - Ruben D. Suarez, Jorge H. Puerto, Gonzalo Camejo.
- Puerto R - Jesus Ocasio, Daniel Muniz, Solano Sixto.
24 - Korea - Kwang Chol Kim.
Sep 15 - Germany - Dieter Kleng, Robert Elmore, Ahmad Mojtoba Mehrsad, Birgid Sasse, Maria Bagarskas.
- GB - Nauyen Kim Tieng, Philip Hawkins.
Dec 01 - Germany - Alfred Wallraf.

ENCYCLOPAEDIA
Mrs. Renee SCOTLAND. 12 Cairns Way S.E., Medicine Hat, Alberta, CANADA, has an extra volume II and wants to change it for a volume 12. If anyone can help with this then please write to her direct. Many thanks.
CERTIFICATE APPLICATIONS & IAPT MEMBERSHIPS

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Yours sincerely,

Master Lee Ki Yung
Secretary General