

1st South-East Asian Floorball Championships & Floorball Coaching Workshop in Singapore, China 18.-21.12.2012

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Report on present issues

1. *1st South-East Asian (SEA) Floorball Championships 18.-21.12.2012*

- The tournament was originally organised in order to give especially Indonesia and the Philippines the possibility to test their National Teams before the SEA Games. This had been requested by the NOC's of both countries. Especially Indonesia performed very well and only missed the final on the goal difference in the Women's tournament. The Philippines also developed very well during the tournament, but are still a bit behind the other teams.
- The tournament was organised in the Hougang Sport Complex, in North East of Singapore. There was a total of 16 matches played in the tournament. The event was well organised and run without any major issues. There was quite a lot of spectators attending the Events in all the matches and the space for approx.200 spectators was mostly used. SFA had unfortunately forgotten to hand in the Information form for the tournament and ask for the nomination of the referees, which was made just before the start of the tournament. Neither did the SFA use the IFF Match Statistic Software, which would have increased the visibility for the tournament quite a lot.
- The tournament was refereed by four referee pairs, two international Sharil-Lim (SIN), Lin-Teo (SIN) and the two new development group pairs Kristiyanto-Rameli (INI) and Jetpuria-Khoo (MAL). They were given support and education by especially Mr. Sharil and Mr. Lim.
- The Singaporean referees were used in the Finals between Malaysia and Singapore, as the speed of the game required more experienced referees. This was first approved by the finalists.
- The final result of the tournament:

Women	Men
1) Singapore	1) Singapore
2) Malaysia	2) Malaysia
3) Indonesia	3) Indonesia
4) the Philippines	4) the Philippines

2. *The Coaching Workshop*

- The workshop was organised with the idea to give technical and tactical guidance to the participating teams coaches. The workshop had in total 11 participants (4 Indonesian, 2 Malaysian, 3 Philippines and 2 Singaporean), which were working with the National Teams. In addition the IFF lecturer Mr. Saravanan (Singapore Men head coach) took part in the de-brief discussions before and after the Singapore Men's games. There was some Thai participants supposed to participate, but they never arrived.
- The workshop was built around the observation tasks given to the participant for each game, which were discussed in the period breaks to provide ideas how to enhance the game and how to train such topics with the teams. In addition different tactical models and approaches were given to the participants and explained what effect possible changes will have for the team.
- The participants were asked to prepare the three things they would tell their team in the period breaks and explain why they have chosen these topics
- The issues related to transition from different game situations (defence-opening-attack-pressure/fore check) were discussed in depth and the different individual player roles were observed and tips given on how to train these on a personal level.
- The feedback received from the coaches was very positive and especially the hands-on training was appreciated.

3. *SEA Games 2015*

- Mr. Salim reported on the preparations for the SEA Games, so far there are between 5-6 countries participating, with Myanmar and Thailand in addition to the four playing here.
 - The tournament will be played in the ITE venue, where the group games were played in 2005.
 - The Manager for the tournament is Mr. Kenneth Ho, who was running the operations of the SEA Championships.
 - Depending on the number of participating countries the tournament will be played over 6 days
 - The athlete's accommodation is planned for a resort at the Sentosa Island, with about 30 minute's transportation to the venue.
 - The open question is how the referees will be selected as the SEA Championships clearly showed that only the Singaporean referees can handle the top matches.
 - More information will arrive later in Q1/2015
- IFF will work with Gerflor to secure the delivery of a flooring for the SEA Games.

4. *SFA meeting*

- A meeting was held with the management of the SFA (President: Sani Mohd. Salim, SG: Pierre Boudville), to discuss the present issues:
 - The SSC had perceived the SEA Championships as a very good event, with a lot of spectators, which is good for the SFA.
 - Mr. Salim informed that SFA has now handed in the application for the Singapore Sport Council grants
 - Mr. Salim will in the next two weeks hand in to IFF a new payment plan for the debts.
 - The SFA will have its General Assembly as soon as the financial files have been audited. The Presidency is up for election then and it is still unsure how the SSC will act here.

5. *IFA meeting*

- Mr. Raymond Nangoy, IFA secretary general informed that Floorball is now played in 5 out of the 12 provinces and that the teams consisted of the best players from these provinces.
- The IFA has started the discussions with the organisers of the 2018 Asian Games and believe that if Floorball can showcase it well during the SEA Games it will be easier to lobby for Floorball. Also the possibility of the Asian Indoor Games was shortly discussed.
- There are plans to host an international Event in Jakarta in 2016 (not decided yet) and the possibility for Indonesia to participate in the WFCQ was discussed for either 2016 or 2017.
- The possibility of organising a Floorball Development Seminar in Indonesia was also discussed and these discussions will be continued after the SEA Games.

Upcoming meetings and issues

- Update SEA Championships statistics to IFF system
- Discuss the referee question for the SEA Games (VH/RC)

Issues that need to be discussed or decided upon or taken action upon

- Follow-up on the discussions with SFA concerning the financial issues (SK)
- SFA to hand in a more detailed plan to pay off the debts (SFA)
- SFA to clarify what Floorball Material is needed for the SEA Games and how to handle the importation of that material. (SFA/VH)
- Continue discussions with SFA concerning the SEA Games.

New ideas, etc...

