Appendix 9



AOFC REPORT OCTOBER 2011

1.0 CURRENT MEMBERS STATUS

The AOFC currently consists of 11 member countries being;

- Australia
 - Has arranged meetings with various bodies including ASC, AOC and Wheel Chair association to push more political side of the work
- India.
 - Has been requested to provide an updated report on their status and plans for the next year. Still awaiting
 - Ongoing discussions required with India to ensure the National Association is functional to support floorball development in India. Development appears to be limited to some states only.
 - Discuss Loan Rink as loan period is due to expire shortly
- Indonesia
 - Is continuing with development in the University area with another development training session with AOFC personnel as trainers being planned for December
 - Discussions required to ensure National Association is fully functional some issues at the moment to resolve
- Japan
 - Holding of WFCQ in Feb next year is on track
- Korea
 - Focussed on school development which is progressing successfully
- Malaysia
 - State regions are discussing the process of bringing IFF fees up to date while still developing the sport in Malaysia

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Mongolia

- Attended IFF seminar in Philippines. Game is now active with 20 players.
- New president and committee is active
- Looking at nominating to play at APAC in Japan 2012

New Zealand

- NZ attended AFO in Australia and working on the NZ National Championships in Wellington in October
- Looking at nominating to play at APAC in Japan 2012

Pakistan

No active work at present

• Singapore

Is assisting with discussions to have floorball included in SEA Games 2015 being held in Singapore

• Thailand

- Thailand attended IFF Seminar in Philippines.
- Existing IFF member has lodged application with Thai authorities for registration.
- Existing IFF member still intends to meet and discuss with the Bangkok group to work together

2.0 OBJECTIVES AND GOALS

There are a number of actions required to continue to achieve the following main goals

- Increase the number of countries playing the game and the number of countries becoming IFF and AOFC members
- Work with existing member countries to ensure they meet the future IFF licensing requirements
- Participate in multi sport games in AOFC region to include SEA Games,
 Pan Pacific Masters Games, Commonwealth Games

3.0 RESORCES

In order to meet the objectives and goals the AOFC will need to work closely with the IFF to develop the resources in AOFC to allow AOFC and its member countries to pursue these goals.

Lack of finances and resources is the major issue for countries in the AOFC region. Many of the countries are only newly developing and lack funds and sport facilities. The resources to be developed and actions to be taken include the following

- Persons in AOFC countries capable to deliver the IFF Development seminar materials at various levels in different countries at different development stages. There are now 4 AOFC persons who can deliver the IFF seminar in AOFC countries
- Continue to seek and receive support from IFF to
 - Provide balls, sticks and other equipment for new developing countries
 - Develop and deliver training materials, seminars etc for developing countries and existing members

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- Appoint a full time Development Officer for the AOFC who would have the following roles
 - o Identify through various contacts, channels etc potential persons in countries to work with to develop floorball in new countries
 - Contact and work with new contacts to establish the game in their country
 - Work with existing potential countries to develop their structures, resources etc to enable them to meet the IFF membership criteria
 - Work with existing AOFC member countries to ensure they meet the future IFF registration requirements including National Associations, National Championships and numbers of clubs/teams
- The AOFC will need to seek funding assistance for the Development Officer from the current AOFC members, their government bodies and the IFF and potential sponsors

4.0 NEW COUNTRIES 2011

4.1 Iran

- Iran participated in World Schools Championships.
- Iran to submit application for membership of AOFC at next General Assembly

4.2 Sri Lanka

• Visit to Sri Lanka to launch floorball and conduct some training with IFF and AOFC has been put on hold

4.3 Nepal

• There are 3 parties in Nepal involved with Floorball. Discussions are needed to have the 3 parties work together

4.4 Bangladesh

• AOFC to organise a coaching session same as for Indonesia this year

4.5 Philippines

- Officers have been elected to new National Floorball Association. Process to continue for full establishment in the country
- Philippines successfully hosted the IFF seminar in September with 83 participants
- Philippines have lodged application for provisional membership of IFF
- Philippines to submit application for membership of AOFC at next General Assembly

4.6 Taiwan

• Follow up required by AOFC of Singapore Player now living in Taiwan

- 5.0 **IFF Development Seminar** in September 2011 held in the Philippines. There were 83 participants from the following countries
 - Indonesia
 - Philippines
 - China
 - Russia
 - Mongolia
 - Australia
 - Thailand