



World Korfball Update

2020 - edition II

IKF Newsletter



In this update

Welcome to the second edition of the IKF World Korfball Update. This edition is packed with exciting korfball news and announcements, both from the IKF and some national federations. We are happy to share with you the great news about securing EU-funding for korfball projects in 2021 and some information regarding open calls for positions within the IKF. Furthermore, this update gives you an insight in the DEC projects in Malaysia and features an interview with IKF Referee Assessor and chair of the IKF Playing Rules Committee Jorge Alves.

We would love to include your news in the next edition. So, do you have exciting and interesting korfball news or other ideas for this update? Let us know by e-mail (office@ikf.org).



Competitions

The IKF aims to follow the revised competition calendar for 2021, as has been communicated earlier this year. However, the corona situation worldwide is still unprecedented and asks for constant revision. The IKF EXCO keeps open lines of communication and encourages all national federations to do the same.



Events flashbacks

Due to the corona virus, we have not been able to organise events lately. However, in the summer we saw a lot of outdoor korfball activities in our member countries, which inspired us to organise the first ever virtual IKF World Beach Korfball Weekend. This event was launched to strengthen the connection between the member countries, and we challenged all korfball lovers around the world to organise some sort of beach korfball activities.

With activities from Turkey to the Netherlands, Scotland to Ukraine and Slovakia to Morocco, the IKF World Beach Korfball Weekend was a big hit. We certainly hope that we can welcome you all in 2021 on the Beach Korfball World Championship, so that we can come together again on the fields.



Organisational News

IKF is moving to a new office space

The IKF will move to a new office space on 1 December. Currently located in Zeist, the IKF Office will move to 'De Weerelt van Sport' office building in Utrecht. This building houses many other sport federations, such as the Dutch Golf Federation, the Dutch Hockey Federation and the Dutch Volleyball Federation. The address is Orteliuslaan 1041 3528 BE, Utrecht.

Erasmus+ Sport 2021 grant

The IKF has been granted an EACEA Grant from the European Commission to design korfball development plans with multiple partners in 2021. The project will focus on strengthening national federations and their professional relationships and networks, as well as their grassroots korfball activities (specifically youth competitions). This will be done by the exchange of best practices and the production of korfball development strategies and plans, all focused on increasing participation in korfball. Want to know more or get involved as national federation? Make sure to check out [this post](#).

IKF Athletes Committee

At the IKF World Korfball Championship last year, the new members of the Athletes Committee were elected. Davesh Patel (ENG), Jessica May (AUS), Ricky Wu (TPE) kicked-off their term by conducting a survey amongst the athletes about the IKF events of 2019 up until the IKF WKC 2019. Athletes from over 21 countries responded, and the Athletes Committee is happy to share a summary of the positive comments, which you can find [here](#). In the next edition, the suggested improvements will be shared.

IKF Development and Education Committee

The IKF DEC Grants 2021 application announcement has been sent to D, E and F countries. National federations have until 1 December to apply for a grant. The continental DEC officers will organise joint calls with the national federations of their regions in the coming weeks, to discuss the application opportunities, as well as the installation of a COVID-19 recovery fund to support the (re)activation of korfball activities.

Want to know more about the IKF DEC Grants and the process of application? Check out [this video](#).

IKF Marketing and Communication Committee

The IKF MarCom Committee is looking for volunteers to assist in the marketing and communication activities of the IKF. Are you a skilled communicator, creative marketer, sensitive to different cultures and people and would you like to generate increased intention for our sport? Check out the [video](#) and [call](#) and apply before November 20.

IKF Referee Committee

The IKF Referee Committee organised a webinar about the revised playing rules for IKF Referee and Referee Assessors on 31 October. 62 participants joined the webinar to talk about the implications of the rules for refereeing.



Development project in focus

Despite the restrictions to the coronavirus, multiple national federations have been able to organise korfball activities using the IKF Development and Education Grants. The Malaysian Korfball Federation has been able to organise training sessions for youth in Kuala Lumpur, which were a great success. Read more about their project and the development of korfball in Malaysia in [this article](#).



Official in the spotlight

Our official in the spotlight this newsletter is Jorge Alves from Portugal. Jorge is well-known in the international korfball community, as he has been actively involved within the IKF for almost 30 years. After 20 years of international refereeing, he retired in 2012 as an IKF referee and became a member of the Referee Committee, Referee Assessor and Chair of the Playing Rules Committee. In the summer period he has been very busy with revising the Playing Rules. Want to know more

about his role within the IKF, the process of drafting the new playing rules and some of his best memories? Make sure to read [this article](#).



News from our members

KNKV

The KNKV has been awarded grants by the European Commission for two international projects. The first project, 'Korfball 4 gender equality: coaching and managing executives', will focus on the education of korfball coaches and executives by organising exchanges, (online) mentoring and workshops. KNKV will work together with Korfball Club Badalona, the Polish Korfball Association and the ZhengZhou University to develop materials and plans that will be made available for the entire korfball community.

For the second project, the KNKV will work together with IKF, Czech Korfball Association, Marmara University and German Korfball Association. This project focuses on the development of coach korfball courses level 3/4.

England Korfball

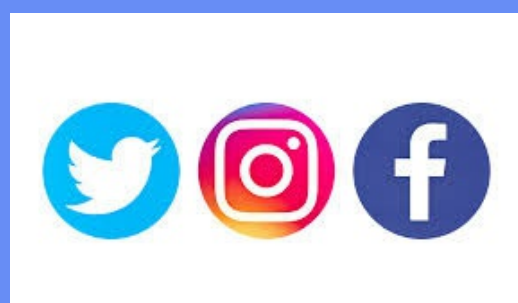
England Korfball has been working hard for several months to draft their Return to Play plan. In October, the association received the great news that the plan has been cleared by central government, which means that korfball can return to the court, albeit with some necessary temporary rule amendments following the need for more social distancing. Want to know the details of the plan and get inspired about ways to organise korfball training sessions and matches in these challenging times? Check out [the website](#) of England Korfball.

Do you have any news you would like to share with the korfball community? Let us know by sending your news to office@ikf.org



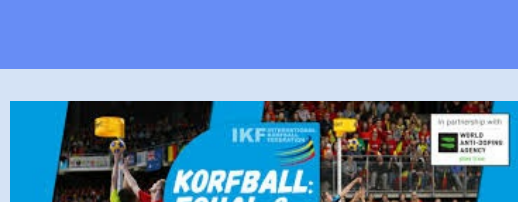
Other news

You may remember that up until 2011, the IKF published the Korfball International Magazines, featuring all relevant IKF news. These magazines are being digitalised in the digital magazine archive, and are available on our [website](#). A great source of information, but also a fun way to relive the old times. [Check it out!](#)



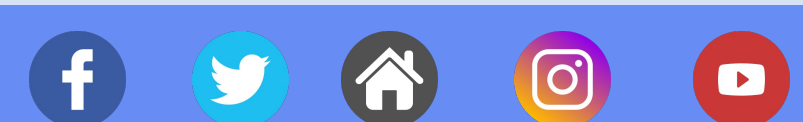
Social Media Highlights

[Korfball in 1937](#)
[What a tricky goal!](#)
[Once in a lifetime goal #throwback](#)
[A beginners guide to korfball](#)



Anti - Doping

The WADA encourages all who have witnessed doping to [speak up](#). Want to know more about the anti-doping program of the IKF? Check our [website](#).



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