



## World Korfball Update - 2021 - edition V

At the IKF, we are looking forward to korfbal events just as much as you are! Read the update below about the upcoming tournaments. However, as Covid is not going away anytime soon, the IKF Medical Committee and Competition Committee have drafted the medical recommendations and COVID-19 event rules for the upcoming events. Enough of Covid news.... Have you heard about the Flanders Beach Korfball Tour? It's a great initiative from Belgium. Details below. Don't forget to test your knowledge and send us your answers to this month's quiz. And if you have any news, big or small, share it with us! We're always excited to hear from you!

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## Competitions

### IKF U21 World Korfball Cup

The IKF and the host, Fédération Korfball France, have organised two informative meetings with the participants in July to discuss the COVID-19 developments and their impact on the continuation of the event. The IKF, LOC and the participants are still in contact to investigate the possibilities of organising the event in September. More information will follow in August.

### IKF European Korfball Championship B-Division and IKF European Korfball Championship A-Division

The IKF and the LOCs of the IKF European Korfball Championships have organised multiple informative meetings with the participants of both events. In these meetings various topics have been discussed, such as the medical recommendations, the COVID-19 event rules, costs for testing and (possible) travel restrictions. It has been decided to postpone the decisions about the continuation of these events until August.

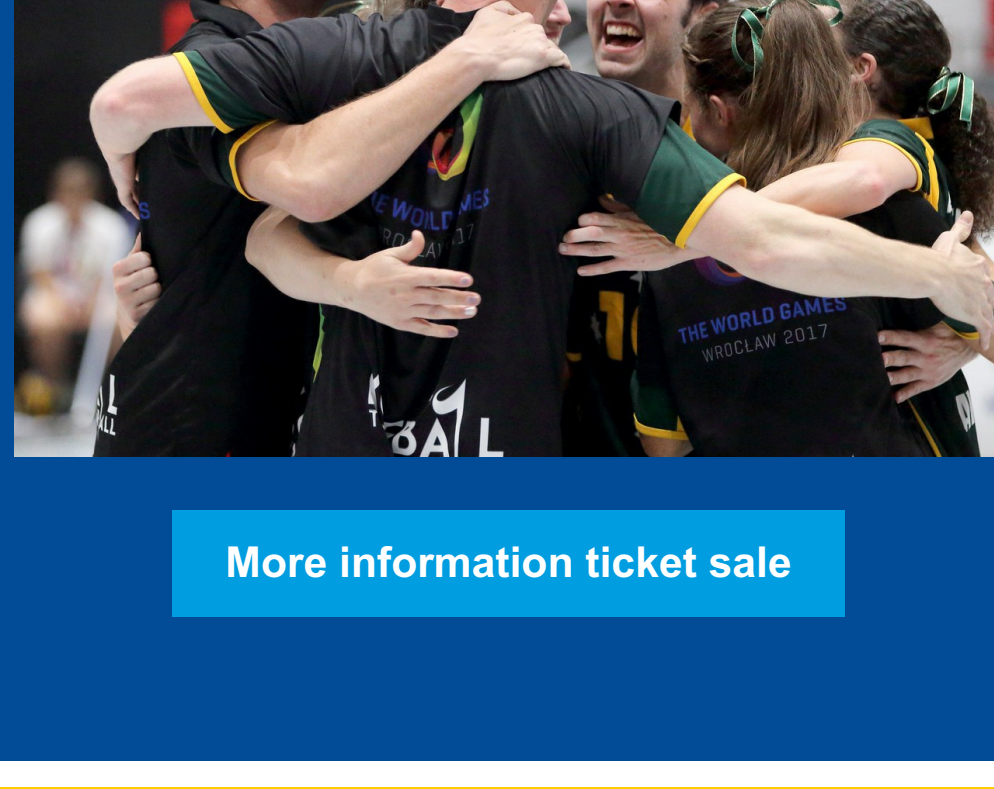
### IKF ECup and IKF EShield

The IKF EXCO has decided to discontinue the experimental IKF European Korfball Tour format that was rolled out last year. Instead, it has been decided to enforce the traditional European club event format with the IKF Europa Cup and IKF Europa Shield. The IKF ECup First Round will be played from **7 – 9 January 2022** in Kielcchow and will be hosted by the Polish Korfball Association. The winner of this event will be qualified for the IKF ECup Final Round, which will be played in The Netherlands, from **10-12 February**. The IKF EShield will be hosted by the Czech Korfball Association in Prostějov, from **28-30 January**.

[More information IKF ECup & IKF EShield](#)

### The World Games 2022

In less than a year The World Games 2022 in Birmingham (USA) will start. TWG also known as the 'Olympic Games for the non-Olympic Sports', has more than 31 different sports on the program, among which is korfbal. The event will be held 7 – 17 July, and the korfbal competition will be played 13 – 17 July. All matches will be played in the Birmingham-Jefferson Convention Complex, and tickets are available now!

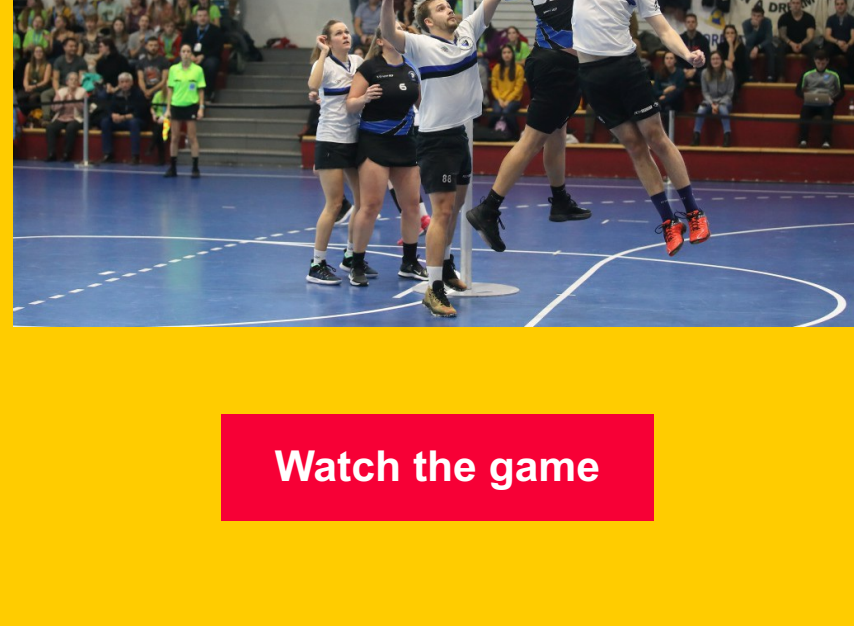


[More information ticket sale](#)

## Events flashbacks - IKF ECup 2019 -Trojans vs SZAC

The lack of official korfbal events might mean that you have missed out on some quality korfbal. If this is what you're after, you won't be disappointed in this month's edition of our events flashback. We're revisiting the Trojans vs SZAC game at the IKF Europa Cup, where both teams delivered exceptional performances, but in the end, there could only be one winner.

[Relive the game](#)



[Watch the game](#)

## Organisational news

### IKF COVID-19 event rules and medical recommendations

The IKF Medical Committee and Competition Committee have drafted the medical recommendations and COVID-19 event rules for the upcoming events. These documents have been shared and discussed with the participants and will be updated following COVID-19 developments.

### IKF World Korfball Congress and IKF General Meeting 2021.

The invitations for the IKF World Korfball Congress and the General Meeting 2021 have been sent. The IKF World Korfball Congress 2021 is titled 'Reinventing korfbal; unite for the future' and focuses on 1) IKF & National Federations; a joint path towards the future, 2) Learning Management Platform; needs & experiences, 3) Korfbal4; moving closer to the Olympics.

[More information](#)

### Official in the spotlight

President Guo Qilin of China Korfball Association shared the korfbal development plan in China for the next 5 years, including beach korfbal and The World Games, to be played at Chengdu in 2025.

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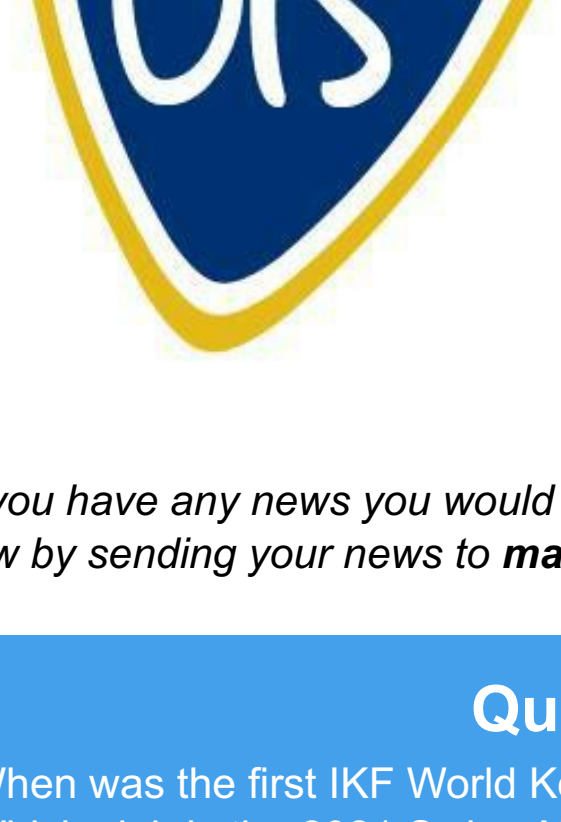
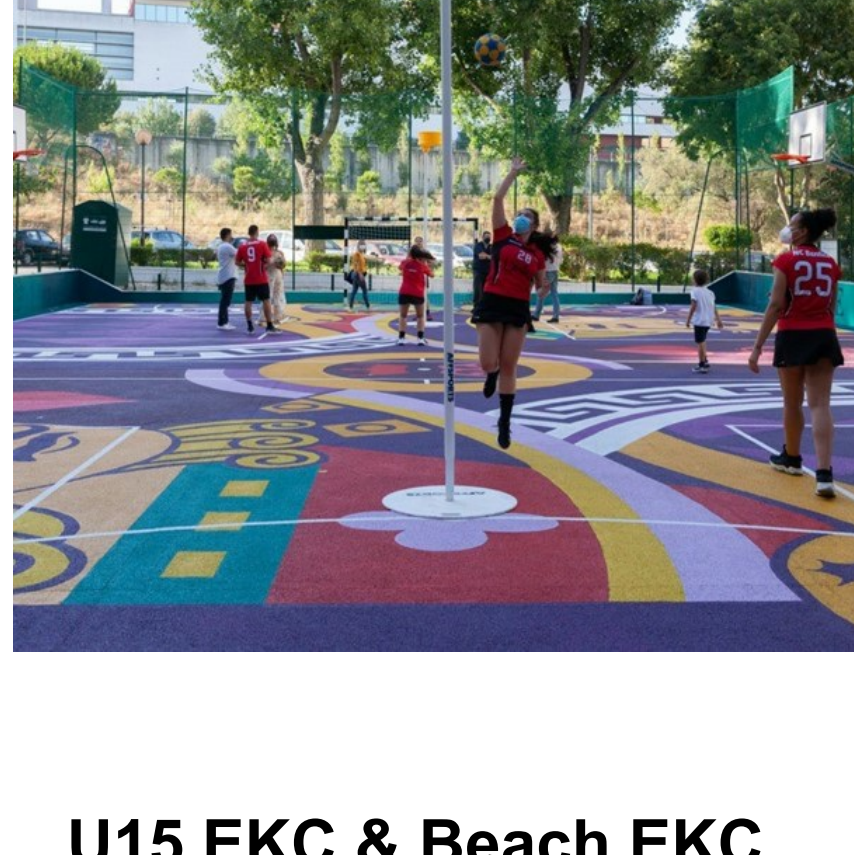
**Korfbal story in focus**  
Various korfbal activities and projects are being rolled out this summer, to regain the joy of playing korfbal after a long time of absence. The summer period is perfect for beach korfbal, one of the korfbal formats that have gained popularity in recent years. The Royal Belgian Korfball Association organises the Flanders Beach Korfball Tour this summer to promote and develop beach korfbal in Belgium. Find out more about this tournament in this Korfbal Story in Focus!

[Read more](#)

## News from our members

### Representing Gender Equality in Portugal

We all know that gender equality is one of the key principals of korfbal. So, we're pleased to hear that Portuguese Korfball Championship 2021-21 winners, Núcleo Corfebol Benfica will become ambassadors for a local program that champions gender inclusivity and raises awareness of gender equality, 'O Projeto NO!'. We can't wait to hear more about it! (Plus, check out how beautiful their court is!)



### U15 EKC & Beach EKC 2021

Korfbal teens from across Europe kicked off their month at the Under-15s European Korfball and Beach Korfball Championship in Hungary! They had fantastic weather for the 5-day event, and even managed to squeeze in a day of sight-seeing. It looks like everyone had a great time from all those happy faces!

*Do you have any news you would like to share with the korfbal community? Let us know by sending your news to [marketing.communication@ikf.org](mailto:marketing.communication@ikf.org).*

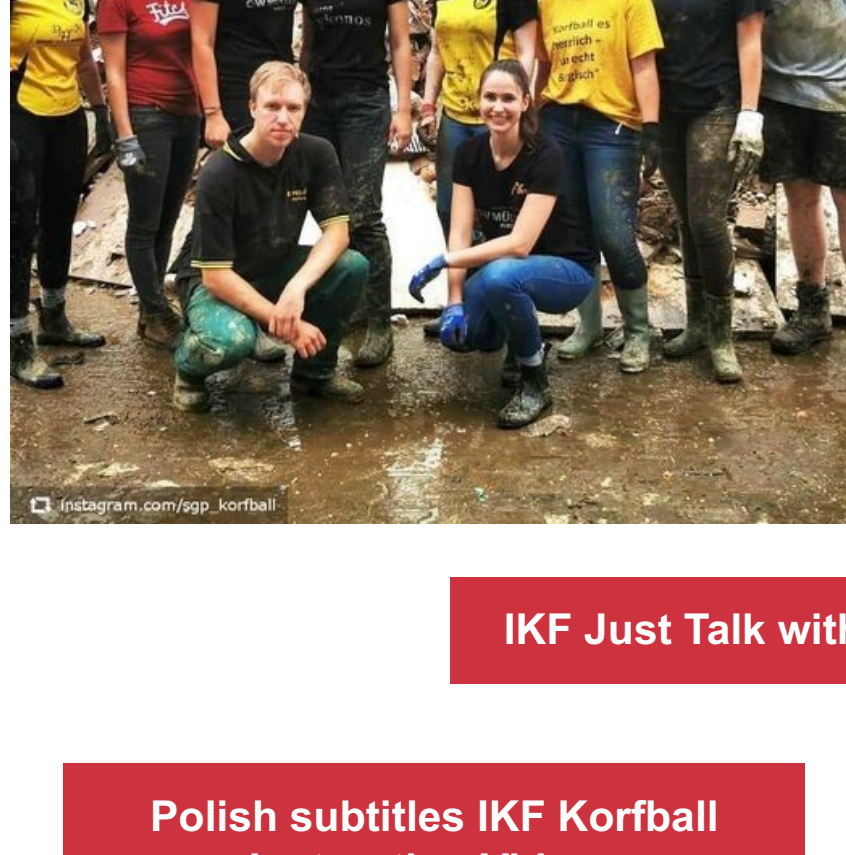
### Quiz

- 1: When was the first IKF World Korfball Championship?
- 2: Which club is the 2021 Swiss Alp League Champions?
- 3: Name three countries in which korfbal is played at universities.
- 4: Which club just celebrated its 30-years anniversary and organised a tournament despite all COVID-19 challenges?
- 5: When was korfbal included in The World Games?

Send your answers to [marketing.communication@ikf.org](mailto:marketing.communication@ikf.org), check your score in the next newsletter and get a shout-out for best score!

#### Answers quiz edition 2021 - IV

- 1: Belgium, Catalonia, Hungary, England, Germany, Portugal, The Netherlands, Czech Republic
- 2: c: Cliff Diving
- 3: Birmingham, Alabama (USA)
- 4: China
- 5: 39



### Social media highlights

Korfbal players from SG Pegasus helping to clean the neighborhoods recently devastated by terrible floods in Germany. #SocialValues #Community

[IKF Just Talk with Juliet Robertson](#)

[Polish subtitles IKF Korfball Instruction Videos](#)

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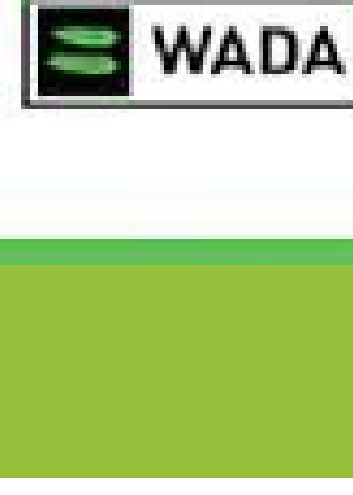
### Anti-Doping

The World Anti-Doping Agency announces that its next Global Education Conference (GEC), has been re-scheduled to September 2022.

The 2022 GEC will gather anti-doping practitioners and researchers from around the world to share and discuss emerging trends; contribute to education program development; and, examine how Anti-Doping Organizations (ADOs) can enhance their education programs while keeping athletes and their support personnel at the centre of their learning strategies.

[GEC info](#)

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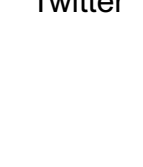


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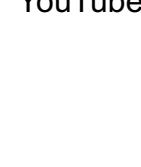
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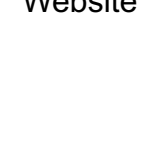
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