

World Korfball Update - 2023 - edition IX

A packed newsletter this month, featuring three articles about Hungary, Brazil and Japan and their preparations towards the IKF WKC 2023. We read about the loyal community of Dutch fans that will cheer Hungary on during the event, the road of Brazil to Taipei, with players that travelled thousands of kilometers by car to participate in the qualification event. The coach of the Japanese team explains how our sport has helped to break down barriers between generations in the Japanese korfball team. Furthermore, the chair of the IKF Referee Committee, Bjorn Elewaut, explains the procedure of referee appointments to events and the ambition of the IKF for referee development and education.

IKF European Korfball

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Competitions IKF U21 Asia-Oceania Korfball Championship

Malaysia hosted the IKF U21 AOKC from 8 to 13 August in Shah Alam.

Nine U21 teams competed during the event, and Chinese Taipei claimed the title once again. Malaysia entered the tournament as the lowest ranked team but showed their great progress and development by surprisingly beating China in the semi-final and thereby securing silver. China claimed bronze by defeating Hong Kong China.

IHF U2I ASIA-OCEANIA

HORFBALL CHAMPIONSHIP 2023 SHAH ALAM, MALAYSIA 8 - 13 AUGUST 2023 FINAL STANDINGS CHAMPION **CHINESE TAIPEI** MALAYSIA **1ST RUNNER-UP** 2ND RUNNER-UP 4TH PLACE HONG KONG CHINA **5TH PLACE** THAILAND **NEW ZEALAND 6TH PLACE** 7TH PLACE INDIA 8TH PLACE **AUSTRALIA** 9TH PLACE JAPAN **IKF Beach Korfball World Cup** (Europe) 2023

2023 last weekend. The intense

participated at the IKF BKWC (EU)

13 senior and 4 U19 teams

tournament with many matches eventually resulted in a gold medal for Belgium (both seniors and U19), a silver medal for The Netherlands (both seniors and U19) and bronze for host Poland (seniors) and Catalonia (U19). The newly developed beach korfball jurysoftware was tested during the event, therefore all scores and rankings can be found on worldkorfball.sport.



France will host the IKF EKC R1 from 24 to 26 November and will compete

Championship R1

against Wales, Armenia, Serbia and Scotland for a qualification spot for the IKF European Korfball Championship B-Division. The top three ranked countries will qualify for the EKC B. The match schedule has been published. IKF EUROPEAN KORFBALL CHAMPIONSHIP FIRST ROUND 2023



through the IKF KCL R1. The teams have been allocated to groups by

have ten teams, of which two qualify

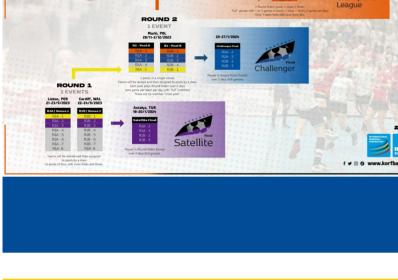
draw, and the match schedule will be published later this month. The teams play group matches over five days, and the number one of each group qualifies for the IKF Korfball Champions League Final. The numbers two and three of each group qualify for the IKF Korfball Champions League Challenger Final. Korfball Champions League



Satellite Final. 18-20 January 2024,

Champions League Challenger Final.

IKF Korfball Champions League



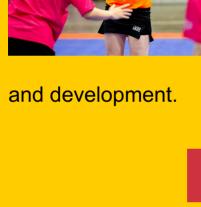
25-27 January 2024

Kemer, Türkiye. IKF Korfball

IKF Korfball Champions League Final. 7-10 February IKF U19 (Open) European Korfball Championship. 29-31 March 2024, Vilanova i la Geltrú, Catalonia IKF U21 World Korfball Championship. July 2024, date and location to be confirmed this month

to all IKF events. In this article Bjorn Elewaut, chair of the RC explains the procedures for those appointments, and the

Organisational news



Click here for the article IKF appoints Joana Faria as IKF CEO - read more

Referee: a key 'player' in the pitch. The IKF Referee Committee (RC) is

responsible for the appointment of referees

plans of the committee for referee education

Egon E. Jolig, IKF Badge of Honour, passes away Egon E. Jolig, IKF Badge of Honour, has passed away at the age of 86 on 14 July 2023. Mr. Jolig received the IKF Badge of Honour for

his work on korfball development in Germany. He was long-time chairman of the Ballsports section of the Deutscher Turner Bund.

Jolig was president of the organizing committee of that event.

various leisure organisations, and the IKF is grateful for his

Egon E. Jolig will be remembered as a passionate volunteer for

IKF President Jan Fransoo presented him the IKF Badge of Honour during the IKF World Youth Championships in Duisburg in 2004. Mr.

contribution to the development of korfball. Road to Taipei **Brazil** Japan Learn about the great efforts and epic Coach Akiko Tsujikawa offers an trips the Brazil national team undertook interesting insight into the ways in which generational barriers in the to qualify for the IKF WKC 2023! Japanese national team were broken down in preparation to the IKF WKC

Hungary

Hungary, explains the origins and impact of this special relationship between his team and the fans.

Brazil article

Wherever team Hungary goes, a group of enthusiastic Dutch supporters follows them. Zsolt Majer, captain of

Hungary article

members

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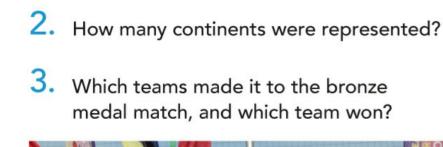
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Japan article

IKF WORLD KORFBALL **CHAMPIONSHIP 2023**

> **England Squad** Announement

The 24 participating teams of the IKF WKC 2024 have all started their preparations with training camps, session and promotional activities. Some of the countries already announced their final squad, like England. Other countries organise joint training camps and friendly international matches. Surinam beat Hungary in a friendly match in August, Hungary will be keen to victorious over Surinam in the group phase of the WKC. Gertrude de Vries



medal match, and which team won?

BKWC (EU) 2023?

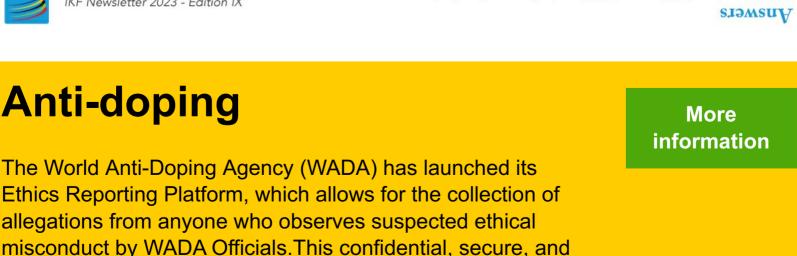
Questions

How many teams participated at the IKF





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