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2007 IDSF World Youth Ten Dance Championships

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Held in conjunction with the 20th Singapore Lion City International DanceSport Championships, SGDF is proud to present the 2007 IDSF World Youth Ten Dance Championships. This is the first time this prestigious event is held outside Europe and that IDSF has chosen Singapore to host this event.

Only 1 team from each country is nominated to represent their country in this event. Altogether we have 35 countries taking part in this Championship.

Our audiences were treated to a full display of both Standard and Latin Dances. The competitors, though young, displayed astonishing high standards in both the category. The World Youth Ten Dance competitor is judged on both the Standard as well as the Latin Dances to proceed to the next round.

Finally, after a many rounds of heats, we have our 6 finalist. They are from the Russia, Germany, Ukraine, Latvia, Canada and Azerbaijan. It was an extremely tough final and finally Russia emerged Champions.

Brovko Nikita and Nikolaeva Olga from Russia came in Champions in both the Standard and Latin Category – a truly remarkable feat.

The audiences cheered as they took the floor for their honour dance. Congratulations Russia!



Brovko Nikita and Nikolaeva Olga competing in the Standard Category



Brovko Nikita and Nikolaeva Olga competing in the Latin Category



6 Finalist : 1. Russia, 2. Germany, 3. Ukraine, 4. Latvia, 5. Canada 6. Azerbaijan

2007 Coach Recognition Awards

The 2007 Coach Recognition Awards was held on the 8 September. This year, there were a record number of 307 nominations for a total of 146 coaches.

We are pleased to congratulate Shawn Tay and Gladys Tay in winning the Talent Development Coaching Award. This is the first time Gladys Tay is winning a Coach Recognition Awards, though Shawn Tay has won similar awards for 5 years consecutively.

This Award pays tribute to the coaches of National athletes who have helped them to realize their sporting potential to achieve current sporting success.



Award Winners : Shawn Tay & Gladys Tay

IDSF Open Standard & Latin, Korea



Team Singapore : Vasily Chuply & Priscilla Kwa; Melvin Tan & Sharon Tan; Rosanne Chong & Kelvin Toh; Oey Bielan & Brett Reilly

The weather was cool in Korea in September this year when some of our SGDF members participated in the IDSF Open Standard and Latin Championships.

A Team comprising of 3 standard couples and 1 latin couple competed in this Championship.

Our Standard couples include our current top ranked Vasily Chuply & Priscilla Kwa; Kelvin Toh & Rosanne Chong as well as Brett Reilly & Oey Bielan.

Representing the Latin category is our top ranked Melvin Tan and Sharon Tan.

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Olympic Day Run 2007

In commemoration of the setting up of the International Olympic Committee (IOC), the IOC every year organizes an Olympic Day Run with the participation of National Olympic Committees all over the world.

The first World Olympic Day Run organised by the IOC was held in 1987, with 45 participating National Olympic Committees (NOC). Throughout the years this event has grown way beyond expectations with the 2006 event hosting more than a million participants over 164 NOC. This year's 30th anniversary Olympic Day Run will aim at breaking that record of participants.



The Olympic Day Run symbolizes more than a run; it's a symbolic celebration of integration of sports in people lives. Its primary objective being the promotion of participation in sport by men, women and children from all over the world, regardless of their diversity and athletic ability.

This year, the Singapore National Olympic Council (SNOC) has organized the 3 km non-competitive run to celebrate this anniversary. They have invited our club member, NgeeAnn Polytechnic DanceSport Club (NPDS), to perform a DanceSport number for the public.

The NPDS performed a formation number comprising of 7 team members. They danced to a combination of Samba, Cha Cha Cha, Rumba and Jive in different formation. As they performed they gathered much interest amongst the crowd. At the end of their performance, they received an overwhelming applause.

NPDS President, Pamela Lee is quoted saying "We, members of NPDS, are glad to have this opportunity to perform for SNOC and SSC in the event that celebrates the creation of the IOC as well as its continuous aims to spread the Olympic Values".



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20th Lion City International DanceSport Championships...

Featuring

2007 **IDSF** Open Standard & Latin Championships

This year, we celebrated the 50th Anniversary of the IDSF as well as the 20th Anniversary of the Lion City Championships simultaneously. The Lion City Championships has grown from strength to strength every year as seen by the increasing participants from all over the World.

This year we are pleased to have Dr Vivian Balakrishnan, Minister for Community Development, Youth and Sports, Second Minister for Information, Communications and the Arts to grace our event.



PHOTO BY ROBERT ONG (SINGAPORE)
Stephano Di Filippo & Anna Melnikova (Italy)
 Chief Executive Officer - **IDSF Open Latin Champions**



PHOTO BY TAN POH SIM
Guest-of-Honour Dr Vivian Balakrishnan



PHOTO BY ROBERT ONG (SINGAPORE)
Singapore Closed Grade A Latin
Champions : Melvin Tan & Sharon Tan



PHOTO BY ROBERT ONG (SINGAPORE)
Singapore Closed Grade A Standard
Champions : Vasily Chuply & Priscilla Kwa