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2006 Coach Recognition Award...



Dear Readers,

We are extremely happy to be able to congratulate our National Coach Mr. Shawn Tay on winning the High Performance Coaching Award (Junior Competitions) yet again this year.

This award is given to Mr. Tay for his coaching techniques, enabling our local youths to attain good results in World Championships events.

This is the 4th time in four successive years that Mr Tay has won a National recognition award.

SGDF is very proud that our National Coach has won this accolade, grooming our young athletes from local standing to an international standing.

Your Editor



*Melvin Tan & Sharon Tan performing
The Jive*

*Vasily Chuply & Priscilla Kwa
performing The Waltz*

*Lim Chong Aik & Riane Low performing
The Cha Cha Cha*



*Special Invitation for the SGDF to perform at
The 2006 Sports Awards Night*



*Aaron Then & Connie Tan
Performing the Samba*



*SGDF President Robert Ong & Wife Sabrina
With Award Winner Shawn Tay & Gladys Tay*



4th Johor International DanceSport



The Singapore DanceSport Federation sent a team of 31 couples (or 62 athletes) to participate in the 4th Johor International DanceSport Championships, held on Saturday 21 October 2006. The team comprised of:

- ✚ Singapore DanceSport Federation
 - 6 pairs of athletes
- ✚ Ngee Ann Polytechnic DanceSport
 - 10 pairs of athletes
- ✚ Singapore Polytechnic DanceSport
 - 9 pairs of athletes
- ✚ NTU DanceSport Academy
 - 6 pairs of athletes



A total of 10 events/categories were contested, and Team Singapore DanceSport came away with **3 Golds, 6 Silvers and 6 Bronze Medals** – a fantastic achievement amidst tough competition from a total of 11 participating countries, including Australia, China, Chinese Taipei, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Korea, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam.



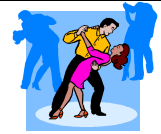
Congratulations to **Melvin Tan & Sharon Tan**, (SEA Games Finalists) who emerged Champions (Gold Medal) in the Grade A Open Latin Event, among Korea, Philippines, Chinese Taipei, Malaysia, China, Thailand, Indonesia, Vietnam. A very hard-fought category.

The other two Gold Medals came from relatively new-faces Wong Xi Ci & Saniya Karimova, both from the NTU DanceSport Academy.



In another hard-fought category, Singapore's **Vasily Chuply & Priscilla Kwa** finished Second (Silver Medal) in the Grade A Open Standard Event. Other countries in this event included Korea, Philippines, Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia, Chinese Taipei, and Hong Kong. The eventual winners were Matthew Rooke & Anna Longmore (Australia).

Championships, 21 October 2006



Singapore's Young DanceSport Ambassadors **Lim Chong Aik & Riane Low** (both 14 years old) finished in a very commendable Second Place (Silver Medal), improving on their performance and placing from the recent Championship in Macau where they finished in 6th Place. A very bright future for these young athletes.



Lim Chong Aik & Riane Low in action

In the Juvenile Open Under-12 Category, **Timothy Ong & Pang Wan Ching** did Singapore proud by coming in Third (Bronze Medal). Considering their partnership was barely 4 months old, this was the icing on the cake.

Singapore DanceSport Teams Posing for the Cameras...



Ngee Ann Polytechnic DanceSport Team with Coaches Melvin Tan & Sharon Tan



Singapore Polytechnic DanceSport Team with Coaches Melvin Tan & Sharon Tan



Nanyang Technological University DanceSport Team Coaches Shawn & Gladys Tay



SGDF Members & Athletes with National Coaches Shawn & Gladys Tay; & President Robert Ong & Wife Sabrina Sim

2006 Competition Grooming & MakeUp Workshop

On 7th October this year, SGDF organised the 1st ever Competition Grooming & MakeUp Workshop for the Tertiary Clubs. This was extremely well received with over 100 participants from the members of the SGDF's affiliated clubs.

Held in Ngee Ann Polytechnic's Auditorium, the half day workshop aimed to provide the tertiary club members an insight to the world of competition grooming as well as to provide essential information on the art of cosmetic enhancement.



Tertiary club members attending the lecture



Current Grade A Champion, Sharon Tan giving a lecture on Competition Grooming

Topics covered include – Personal Grooming, Tanning, Hairstyles, Costumes, Accessories, Shoes, MakeUp and importantly, the extra edge a competitor needs.

Pamela Lee, member of the NPDC was quoted saying “This workshop was extremely helpful. I have always wondered about the art of make up and I was able to improve much of my skills after this session. The competition grooming was the absolute essential. It was comprehensive and Sharon was able to answer all of the questions that we have always wanted to ask.”



Adjudicator, Sabrina Sim sharing the judges' impressions with the students..



2nd Ranked Grade A, Rosanne Chong doing a practical with Model Pamela Lee.

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