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National Newsletter

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Topic: **Wushu Greetings**

Wushu greetings from the Executive of the New Zealand Kung-Fu Wushu Federation. We are delighted to bring you this newsletter albeit somewhat delayed due to late notification of overseas event details and finalising of venue arrangements for our own nationals. We look forward to your support and participation in the various events listed below. We hope you find this edition of the Newsletter informative and we welcome your feedback.

Yours in Wushu
Glen Keith - National President

Topic: **Upcoming Events**

New Zealand National Kung-Fu Wushu Championships:

Date: Saturday 13 October 2012

Venue: Avondale College, Victor Street, Avondale, Auckland

Registration Forms: <http://www.wushu.org.nz/nationals-2012.html>

Oceania Kung-Fu Wushu Championships:

Date: Saturday 2 September 2012

Venue: Hall of Legends - The State Sports Centre, Olympic Blvd, Sydney Olympic Park, Homebush Bay, Sydney NSW Australia

Event Information: <http://www.wushu.org.nz/oceania-champs-2012.html>

Team Selection: <http://www.wushu.org.nz/nz-team-selection.html>

World Junior Wushu Championships:

Date: 17-25 September 2012

Venue: Tap Seac Multisport Pavilion, Macau China

Event Information: <http://www.wushu.org.nz/world-juniors-2012.html>

Team Selection: <http://www.wushu.org.nz/nz-team-selection.html>

World Traditional Wushu Championships:

Date: 5-11 November 2012

Venue: Huangshan City, Anhui Province, China

Event Information: <http://www.wushu.org.nz/world-traditionals-2012.html>

Team Selection: <http://www.wushu.org.nz/nz-team-selection.html>

PLEASE NOTE: The Sanda Invitational tentatively planned for Sat 14 July 2012 in Auckland has been cancelled. We apologise for any inconvenience.



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Topic: **NZKWF Membership 2012**

Membership Invitation - The Federation Executive would like to thank those who have renewed their 2012 membership and encourage others to do so before the end of June as this is our financial year end.

Current Members - The Federation operates on a calendar year membership cycle, with renewal subscriptions due by 31st March.

New Members - Full annual membership fee is to be paid for applications received before 30 June, otherwise half-year pro-rata rates apply from 1 July.

Application Forms - New and Renewal Membership Applications for 2012 can be downloaded at <http://www.wushu.org.nz/application-forms.html>. Full details of membership categories, rates, conditions and benefits are contained in New and Renewal Membership Forms.

Membership Card - All paid members will receive a membership card. The Federation Executive would like apologise for the lateness in getting membership cards to some members this year.

Topic: **Wushu Scholarship Proposal - Update**

Following positive discussions between President Glen Keith and the Chinese Wushu Association (CWA) President Gao Xiaojun, the CWA has agreed to an annual NZKWF Wushu Scholarship for 1 taolu athlete and/or 1 sanda athlete.

The scholarship will see the taolu or sanda athlete training at an exclusive Wushu Academy in China for up to 3 weeks, with the cost of tuition, accommodation, food and transportation covered by the CWA. Participants however will have to pay for their own international travel. Where applicable, family members will have the option of accompanying at their own cost. Dates and location will need to be agreed with CWA and the Wushu Academy.

Written Expressions of Interest are now open for this prestigious scholarship. Applicants must state their involvement to date in Federation activities, why they should be selected above others, how they propose to use the experience to further their martial arts career, and how they propose to share their learning and newly acquired skills with the Federation and its members upon return. Shortlisted candidates will be expected to develop and personally deliver a presentation to the Federation Executive. Deadline for EOI is 31 July 2012.

Topic: **Wushu Cultural Ambassador - Update**

As earlier advised, the Federation Executive agreed a new position called 'Cultural Ambassador' to help promote membership and participation in our events from Chinese Cultural, Performance and other Groups. The new role involves overseeing cultural protocols in Federation activity as and when required. Written Expressions of Interest from suitable individuals are now open for this role. Deadline for EOI is 31 July 2012.

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Topic: **New Equipment - Update**

FINALLY...the equipment has landed in NZ and all going well we aim to have both items available at the October Nationals in Auckland. A special thanks to Fujian Weizhixing Sports Goods Co Ltd "WESING", for sponsoring the items valued at US\$45,100, the Foreign Affairs Department of the Chinese Wushu Association for arranging shipment from China to the Embassy of the People's Republic of China in Wellington; who in turn gifted the items to NZKWF and assisted with Custom's clearance. Thanks also to Anthony Stewart and his students and Grant Butcher for seeing the equipment safely loaded into our new container and securely stored, and to Dyann Stewart for organising the storage. Acknowledgement to NZCT for covering the cost of shipping freight NZ\$5,000 and to Pub Charity for purchase of our 40ft Container NZ\$5,000.

Wushu Sanda Lei-Tai Fighting Platform



Traditional Wushu Taolu Carpet



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Topic: **Schools Wushu Programme - Update**

Glen Keith met with Sport Wellington's Sport Development Manager and Kiwi Sport Manager to discuss a possible pilot programme in Christchurch and Wellington. At the meeting Mr Keith received a favorable response to the pilot programme. The introduction of the pilot programme however has been delayed due to the Christchurch Wushu Coach no longer being available and the Wellington Primary School deciding to pull out at the last moment. The Federation Executive will review options for progressing the programme, including the possibility of extending the pilot coverage to include Auckland. A special thanks to Yogi Salinas and Shifu Ling Jian Song of Christchurch for their help in developing the pilot programme content.

Topic: **Wushu Coaching Curriculum - Update**

Due to resourcing and competing priorities over the last 6 months, the Federation Executive has had to put work on hold regarding the development of a framework for a National Wushu Coaching Curriculum. This will be progressed as and when resources become available. To recapture key points from the last Newsletter, the framework would start with IWUF Sport Taolu and Sanda, with several key routines selected to trial the curriculum, beginning with modern Taolu (Forms) routines of Chang Quan (Long-fist), Nan Quan (Southern-fist), Taiji Quan (Shadow boxing). The curriculum will also include Sanda (Fighting).

The Taolu and Sanda curriculums will encompass elementary, intermediate and advanced levels, and where possible, will be aligned to the Chinese Duan Grading System, to enable robust competency assessment of students. The Taolu curriculum will include development of 'Structured Fundamental Movement' and 'Basic Wushu Skills' for use in target primary schools as part of the Schools Wushu Programme. The Federation would also like to develop structured beginner and intermediate level wushu classes in target secondary schools, as part of the Programme. The Federation Executive would be pleased to hear from interested individuals to assist with this important work.

Topic: **Cali World Games 2013 / Youth Olympic Games 2014**

Cali World Games - Wushu will be a part of the 2013 Cali World Games as an invitational sport. This is another key step towards Wushu becoming an Olympic Sport. Of a possible 80 athletes, 60 will be selected based on results from the 11th World Wushu Championships held in Ankara Turkey in October 2011. To ensure the extensive participation of Wushu athletes from all five continents, 20 wild cards have been reserved at the disposal of IWUF.

Youth Olympic Games - IOC President, Dr. Jacques Rogge, has pledged IOC's support of a "Youth Wushu Tournament" to be held concurrently with the 2014 Youth Olympic Games in Nanjing, China. The "Youth Wushu Tournament" is a result of constant efforts and numerous consultations with IOC officials. The event is expected to be similar to the hugely successful wushu tournament held during the 2008 Olympic Games in Beijing.

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Topic: **The Flavell Bill - “Important Issue for NZ Sport”**

You may be aware that a private members Bill has been introduced to Parliament that is currently with the Commerce Committee for consideration. The Bill recommends a number of changes to the regime for class 4 non-casino gaming and to the mechanism for the distribution of the net proceeds from these gaming machines.

The National Sports Organisations (NSO) Leadership Group, which NZKWF is a member of, is deeply concerned about aspects of the Bill that will replace the current gaming trusts and societies with committees of local Councils and hand over responsibility for distributing gaming funds to them.

Although the Bill is well intentioned in its aims to reduce gambling harm, the NSO Group believes that in attempting to do so, the Bill will do more damage to the community than good due to the profound impact it will have on sport and sports funding.

The NSO Group believes that enacting the Bill will undermine the work of sports organisations and clubs to develop sport and get more people active and engaged in sport, place a number of local, regional and national sports programmes and events in jeopardy, and have a negative impact on volunteers, officials, coaches, administrators, athletes and participants.

The NZKWF Executive believes that it should demonstrate solidarity by supporting the NSO Leadership Group submission and also submit a submission in our own right against the proposed Flavell Bill. We encourage you to as members to consider making your own submission as well.

This is a serious issue for the future funding of many NSOs (including NZKWF) and one we all need to act quickly on. A *Submission Guide* and a *Background Paper* containing information about the Bill has been prepared to assist should you choose to make a submission. Refer to the link below: [Flavell Bill Background Information and Submission Guide](#).

Please note that **submissions are due** with the Commerce Committee by **Thursday 21 June 2012**, so there is not much time. An informed viewpoint on the issue can be found in a recent article written by Gareth Morgan, a Director of Gareth Morgan Investments at: <http://www.stuff.co.nz/dominion-post/comment/7063945/Politics-and-pokies-a-bad-mix>

Topic: **World Tai Chi and Qi-Gong Day Celebrations**

A successful day was had by all at the Petone Working Men’s Club. The programme included John Young, Ray Poy, Mercedes Godinz and Marie Turner, plus Terry Young did a Chen form demonstration and applications of tai chi moves, while Hennie Barnard and students did a fan form and a sabre form. Belinda Hadfield, Cynthia Shaw and Suzanne Jugensen did a shortened version of Wild Goose Qi Gong. Hennie Barnard and a senior student Gerald Dickinson took the Qi Gong workshop. Special thanks to Ferne McKenzie for organising the event on behalf of NZKWF and NZNTCCA.

If you have products or services you want to promote or equipment to sell, please contact us to hire this space

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