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President Report

The 4th Asian Indoor & Martial Arts Games was held in Incheon, Korea from June 29 – July 6, 2013. There were 3 events for both the Men and Women Division respectively, namely Singles, Doubles and Team of 4. The Bowling Competition was held in the same venue as for the 2014 Asian Games. 20 NOCs sent their bowling teams to the Games.

Overall Medal Tally

Pos	Country	Singles			Doubles			Team			Total		
		G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B
1	SINGAPORE	1			1		2				2	0	2
2	HONG KONG	1						1			2	0	0
3	KOREA		1	2	1	1			1	1	1	3	3
4	CHINESE TAIPEI						1	1			1	0	1
5	JAPAN			1		1				1	0	1	2
6	CHINA		1								0	1	0
7	MALAYSIA							1			0	1	0
8	UAE						1			1	0	0	2
9	INDONESIA									1	0	0	1
10	THAILAND			1							0	0	1

The Bowling Competition of the World Games was held in Cali from August 1 – 4. Korean bowler Hwang Dongjun won the Bronze Medal in the Men Singles.

ABF has 12 Men and 12 Women Teams participating in the World Championships held in Henderson, Nevada, USA from August 18 – 30, 2013. ABF Federations that send both a Men Team and Women Team are Australia, Hong Kong, China; Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Macau, China; Malaysia, and Singapore. Bahrain, Kuwait, Thailand, and UAE send a Men Team while China, Chinese Taipei, New Zealand and Philippines send a Women Team.

The Korean Women Team's performance was most outstanding pocketing 4 Gold, 2 Silver and 2 Bronze medals. Chinese Taipei won 1 Silver medal and both Malaysia and Japan won a Bronze medal respectively in the Women Division. In the Men Division, Korean Men Team grabbed 1 Gold, 2 Silver and 4 Bronze medals.

There were many complaints received by ABF from our member federations. There were much to be desired in the organization of the competition. The conditions of the lanes were far from satisfactory as there were no rectification of the lanes after lane inspection. There were practically no tournament officials to take care of the championships. There was definitely a big difference between this world championships and the organization of official championships in the Asian Zone.

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Hong Kong hosted the 17th Asian Youth Tenpin Bowling Championships in September. 21 federations participated in the championships, which was held in SCAA Bowling Centre from September 7 – 14, 2013. The Step-ladder Finals for the Boys and Girls Division were held in the newly built training centre in the Hong Kong Sports Institute.

Overall Medal Tally

Pos	Country	Singles			Doubles			Team			AE			Masters			Total			Tot Mdl
		G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	
1	KOREA	1		1	1			1	1		1			2	2		4	5	1	10
2	INDONESIA		1	1	1					2	1		1				2	1	5	8
3	MALAYSIA	1			1	1											2	1	0	3
4	SINGAPORE						1	1		1						1	1	1	2	4
5	JAPAN		1					1								1	1	1	1	3
6	PHILIPPINES											1					0	1	0	1
7	HONG KONG												1				0	0	1	1

China hosted the 6th East Asian Games in Tianjin in October. 7 out of 8 NOCs, China, Guam, Hong Kong, China; Japan, Korea, Macau, China; Mongolia and Chinese Taipei sent their bowling teams. The Korean Women and Men Team continued their dominance by bagging 11 out of the 12 Gold medals with Hong Kong Men Team's Wu Siu Hong denying them of a clean sweep in the Men Masters event.

Overall Medal Tally

Pos	Country/NOC	Singles			Doubles			Trios			Team			All Events			Masters			Total			Tot Mdl
		G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	
1	KOREA	3			2	2	2	1	2	2	2			2	2	2	1	2	2	12	8	7	27
2	HONG KONG										1						1			1	1	0	2
3	JAPAN		1							1		1								0	1	2	3
4	CHINESE TAIPEI						1		1	1										0	1	2	3
5	CHINA											1								0	0	1	1

Year 2014

Due to heavy flooding in Jakarta in January 2013, Jaya Ancol Bowling Centre was also flooded. Subsequently, the Asian School Championships scheduled end of March was postponed to 9 – 16, February 2014. However, the age eligibility remained the same as for 2013. PBI also cancelled holding the leg of the WTBA WBT.

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The 2013 ABF Tour –Tournament of Champions was held in Kuwait on March 16 and 17, 2014. The Winner of the Men Division is Surasak Manuwong of Thailand while the winner of the Women Division is Sharon Limansantosa of Indonesia.

Due to the political instability of Thailand in the early part of the year, the 23rd Asia Tenpin Bowling Championships scheduled to be held in Bangkok in May was postponed to be held in January, 2015.

Hong Kong Tenpin Bowling Congress hosted the 13th World Youth Championships from August 6 -15, 2014. Subvented by the Art and Sport Development Fund under the Home Affairs Bureau it was awarded the “M” Mark branding by the Major Sports Events Committee under the Sports Commission of the HKSAR Government. This championships was also given the “Brand Hong Kong” logo of Asia’s World City. HKTBC solicited a Title Sponsor with a sponsorship fee of HK\$1 million. A \$1 million back to back matching fund from the Major Sports Events Committee was given to HKTBC. Fringe activities to promote the championship to the Hong Kong community included fund raising for a charity organization, demonstration and clinics for the physically handicapped and intellectual disabled bowling athletes, secondary students and underprivileged youth and children. More than HK\$ 1 million was spent on publicity and advertising of the event on bus, tram and taxi bodies, promotional TV advertisement in more than 2000 buses and on LED screen in the commercial areas as well as advertisement on newspapers, A one-hour delayed broadcast of the finals was shown on local TV. 166 boys, 96 girls and 120 team officials from 46 countries took part in this 13th edition of the World Youth Championships.

The championships was a great success. Everything was running smoothly and orderly and with proper protocol. I would like to congratulate Hong Kong Tenpin Bowling Congress for the dedication and commitment in organizing a championships of this magnitude.

Overall Medal Tally

Pos	Country	Flag	Singles			Doubles			Team			AE			Masters			Total	Tot Mdl's			
			G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B					
1	UNITED STATES			1		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1			1	1	3	5	4	12
2	JAPAN		1	1		1		1		1	1			1					3	2	2	7
3	SWEDEN			2	1				1					1	1		1		2	1	4	7
4	KOREA		2																2	0	0	2
5	FINLAND									1					1				0	1	1	2
6	MALAYSIA								1										0	1	0	1
7	HONG KONG				1														0	0	1	1
8	INDONESIA							1											0	0	1	1
9	COLOMBIA							1											0	0	1	1
10	MEXICO							1											0	0	1	1
11	ENGLAND									1									0	0	1	1
12	UKRAINE														1		1	0	0	1	1	1

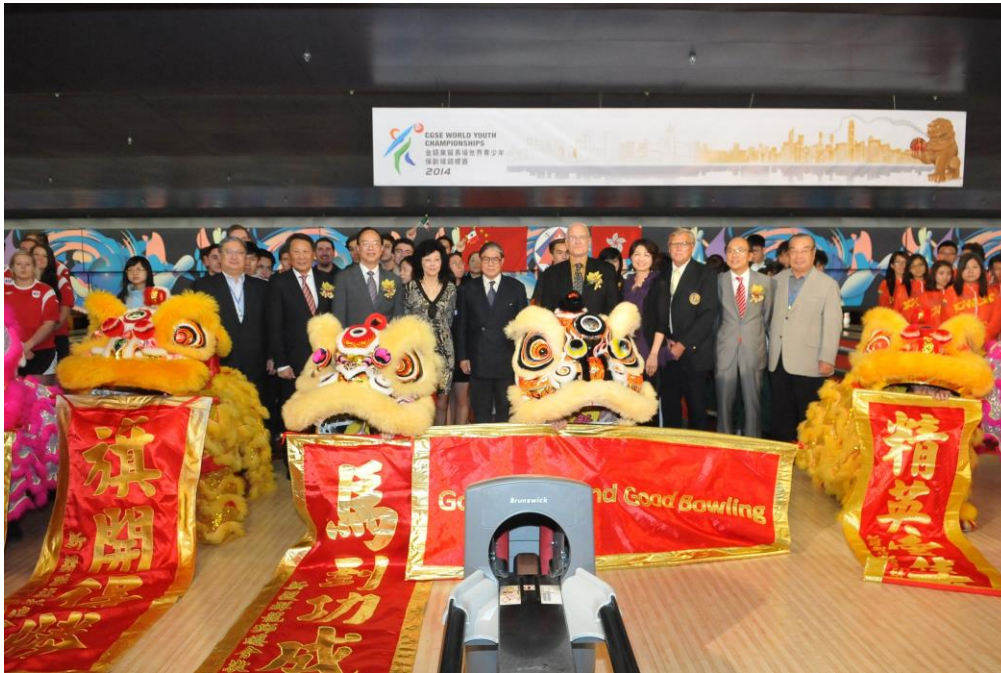
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Officiating VIPs of the Opening Ceremony included IOC Member and President of the HKNOC, Legislative Councillor, Chairman of the Major Sports Event Committee and Assistant Director of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department.

In September, the 17th Asian Games was held in Incheon, Korea from September 19 to October 4. The bowling competition started with the official practice on September 20 and ended on October 2 with 177 players from 19 countries to battle for the glory of their countries. It was announced in the OCA General Assembly in Incheon that Indonesia would be the host for the 2018 Asian Games after Vietnam has withdrawn from hosting the Games in 2019.

Overall Medal Tally

Pos	Country	Singles			Doubles			Trios			Team			AE			Masters			Total			Tot Mdl
		G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	
1	KOREA			1	1		1	1		2	1	1		2	1	2		1	7	1	6	14	
2	JAPAN				1	1		1											2	1	0	3	
3	SINGAPORE			1						1	1				1				1	2	1	4	
4	THAILAND		1		1									1					1	1	1	3	
5	CHINESE TAIPEI		1														1		1	1	0	2	
6	MALAYSIA					1			1		1		1						0	4	0	4	
7	HONG KONG										1					1			0	1	1	2	
8	CHINA			1															0	1	0	1	

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- For the Winter Games, approximately 2,900 athletes, 2,000 accredited coaches and athletes' support personnel, and 100 events.
2. The IOC Session to decide on the inclusion of any sport (IF) in the programme.
 3. The IOC to allow the OCOGs to make a proposal for the inclusion of one or more additional events on the Olympic programme for that edition of the Olympic Games.

Recommendation 27

Comply with basic principles of good governance

All organization belonging to the Olympic Movement to accept and comply with the Basic Universal Principles of Good Governance of the Olympic and Sports Movement ("PGG").

1. Such compliance to be monitored and evaluated. Supporting tools and processes can be provided by the IOC in order to help organizations become compliant with the principles of good governance, if necessary.
2. Organizations to be responsible for running self-evaluation on a regular basis. The IOC to be regularly informed of the results of the organizations' self-evaluations. In the event of missing such information, the IOC to request such an evaluation at its discretion.
3. The "PGG" to be updated periodically, emphasizing the necessity for transparency, integrity and opposition to any form of corruption.

Year 2015

The 23rd ABF General Assembly was held in Bangkok on January 15, 2015 during the 23rd Asian Tenpin Bowling Championships which was held in Blu-O Rhythm & Bowl from January 15 – 26. Teams from 22 member federations participated in the championships. The Opening Ceremony was attended by Mrs. Kobkarn Suritasat Wattanavrangkul, Minister of Tourism and Sport of Thailand. After 10 days of keen competition, the medal tally was as follow:

Overall Medal Tally

Pos	Country	Singles			Doubles		Trios			Team		All Events			Masters			Total	Tot					
		G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S		B	Mdl			
1	KOREA				1	2	2	1	1	1	2			2		1			1	1	6	4	5	15
2	JAPAN	2	1											1							2	2	0	4
3	SINGAPORE							1			1					1					2	1	0	3
4	MALAYSIA		1	1					1	1	1		1	1				1	1	1	2	5	8	
5	INDONESIA															1					1	0	0	1
6	KUWAIT		1															1			0	1	1	2
7	INDIA	1																			0	1	0	1
8	CHINA							1													0	1	0	1
9	THAILAND									1											0	0	1	1

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The 2014 ABF Tour – Tournament of Champions was held in Kuwait from March 16 – 17, 2015. Yousif Falah of Bahrain won his first TOC title in the Men Division. In the Women Division, Chan Shuk Han of Hong Kong picked up her third TOC title equaling the three wins set by Wendy Chai of Malaysia.






The 18th Asian Youth Tenpin Bowling Championships was held in Macau from March 22 – 31, 2015. It was participated by 15 member federations. After 8 days of competition, the medal tally was as follows:

Overall Medal Tally

Pos	Country	Singles			Doubles			Team			AE		Masters		Total			Tot	
		G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	Mdl		
1	MALAYSIA 	2			1	1			1	1	1	1	2			4	3	1	8
2	KOREA 							1	1		1					2	1	0	3
3	SINGAPORE 		1	1		1			1			1				1	2	3	6
4	INDONESIA 				1	1						1	1			1	1	2	4
5	PHILIPPINES 賓 		1				1				1					1	0	2	4
6	AUSTRALIA 						1						1			0	1	1	2
7	JAPAN 														1	0	0	1	1

The South East Asian Games was held in Singapore in June, 2015. The Bowling Competition was held from June 8 – 14. Seven NOCs sent a bowling team to the Games. Medal Tally was as follows:

Overall Medal Tally

Pos	Country	Singles			Doubles			Trios			Team			Masters		Total			Tot
		G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	G	S	B	Mdl		
1	MALAYSIA 	1		1	1		2	1		2				1	1	5	1	4	10
2	SINGAPORE 	1	1	1	1			1	2		1	1	1			4	5	1	10
3	THAILAND 		1									1	1			1	1	1	3
4	INDONESIA 					2				1	1				1	0	3	2	5
5	PHILIPPINES 									1		1				0	0	2	2

As part of the Olympic Agenda 2020 reforms, Organizing Committees for the Olympic Games can make a proposal for the inclusion of one or more additional events on the Olympic programme for that edition of the Games. Thanks to the dedicated effort of Japan Bowling Congress under the able leadership of their President, Mr. Tsutomu Takebe, Tokyo 2020 has shortlisted eight International Federations for inclusion in 2020 – those governing baseball/softball; bowling; karate; roller sports; sport climbing; squash; surfing and wushu. Tokyo 2020 would make a decision on the event or events to be proposed to the IOC on September 28, 2015. A final decision would be made by the 129th IOC Session in Rio de Janeiro in August 2016.

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World Bowling Tour Major event “Bowling World Open” was organized in Tokyo to promote bowling to be chosen into the final shortlist sports recommended by Tokyo 2020 Organizing Committee to the IOC. JBC invited players from all around the world to the tournament. Our heartfelt congratulations to young Joey Yeo of Singapore Bowling Federation who clinched the Women Division Title. Osku Palermaa of Finland was the winner in the Men Division. Unfortunately bowling was not among the final 5 shortlisted sports that the Tokyo Olympic Organizing Committee has chosen to be recommended to the IOC as additional sports for the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games.

In the third week of July, Hong Kong organized the 16th Asian School Tenpin Bowling Championships in SCAA Bowling Centre from July 25 – 31, 2015. A 3-days activities was organized to promote bowling to the Hong Kong community involving bowling athletes of the Paralympic and Special Olympic, students from secondary schools and ethnic minority students and children from charity organization as well as a fund-raising bowling competition for a Charity Organization. Hong Kong Tenpin Bowling Congress has invited the Malaysian Team to go to Hong Kong earlier to join these activities.

The Asian School Championships was participated by 19 boys teams and 14 girls team from 13 countries and territories. The country winner for boys was Japan and the country winner for girls was Korea. The overall country winner was Korea.

The 7th Men and 3rd Women Arab Team Championship was held in Bahrain in September and it was widely promoted by World Bowling focusing on West Asian women athletes in our quest to be shortlisted for the 2020 Tokyo Olympic Games.

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