



INTERNATIONAL PARALYMPIC
TABLE TENNIS COMMITTEE

TECHNICAL DELEGATE
EVALUATION REPORT

Name of Tournament: **Slovakia Open 2007**

Ranking Factor Applied for: **30**

Name of Responsible Federation: **Slovak Paralympic Committee**

Name of Chairman of Organising Committee: **Helena Hankova_**

Dates of Play: **May 31 – June 2, 2007**

Name of Technical Delegates: **Nico VERSPEELT – Karol ZIDULIAK**

Report submitted to IPC and IPTTC: **June 18, 2007**

Accommodation: Hotel Slnava – 5 minutes walking distance to main hall – Ice Rink
10 minutes driving to hall of the Gymnasium
Bathrooms not wheelchair accessible

Hotel Maj - limited number of rooms wheelchair accessible
Used only for severely handicapped (class 1-2)

Meals: Breakfast and dinner served in the hotel's restaurant
Lunch served either in the restaurant, or delivered hot meal to the site.
Very well organized. When there was a late finish and the restaurant was closed hot meals were serviced at the lobby upon arrival to the hotel.

Transport: No need for getting to the main hall, except in exceptional circumstances – walking distance.
Transport to the Gymnasium's hall for standing players was on continues bases, or at the request, if needed. Waiting for the transportation very short.

Communication: Computer personnel and Deputy Referee on the standing site had mobile phones available.
Draws were distributed to all delegations using “pigeon holes” in both halls for competition and posted on Results Board.
Results were updated regularly after each completed round.
The Tournaments results were burned on CDs and distributed to each delegation shortly after conclusion of the Tournament.

Participants: 29 Nations 199 men players
63 women players
62 escorts
324 participants in total

Meeting : On May 30 evening, team leaders meeting – information about organization by the OC.
Open draws were given during the meeting

Venues: Main Hall (Ice Rink)
Floor: concrete cover by blue plastic
Lighting: adequate
Spectators: enough seats, because the hall used for hockey
Gluing Room: near to entrance
Officials Room: classification room + TD room
Change Rooms: adequate
Toilets : outside + 2 or 3 inside toilets for wheelchairs

Equipment: 27 Butterfly Centerfold green tables ITTF approved, suitable for wheelchair players. No practice tables. Next time should be provided.

Nets: Butterfly
Score indicators: Butterfly
Surrounds: Butterfly
Balls: White Joola***

Hall in the gymnasium:

Floor: wood
Spectators: seats for 60 people
Lighting: outside light was not eliminated. Specially in the morning sunshine distracting players.
Next time should all windows be covered.
White walls should be covered by a darker cover, because of the white balls used.
Court sizes: 11m x 6m were sufficient.
No practice tables. Next time they should be provided.
Inside the courts there should be towel holders, or at least some baskets.
It was not a good picture to see towels hanging over the surrounds, or under the tabl

Program: May 30: Arrival of delegations and starting of classification
May 31: Open Events and Awards presentations, start of RRs of Singles events
June 1: Finish of Singles events, start of RRs of Teams events
June 2: Finish of Teams events, Awards Ceremonies in the Main Hall.
June 3: Departure of Delegations

Classification: 3 classifiers test 13 new players and retest 2 requests for review

Officials: TDs : Nico VERSPEELT – BEL
Karol ZIDULIAK - CAN
Referee: Anton HAMRAN – SVK
Deputy Referees: Mladen SOLAR – CRO
Jiri OLBRICHT – CZE
Gordana VLASKALIC – SRB
Jan VANIAK – SVK
Classifiers : Heinz ZWERINA – AUT
Peter HEEDT – GER
Tony HERBERT - AUS
Umpires: 74 International and National Umpires from
AUT – CRO – CZE – HUN – NED – SRB –SVK
Ball boys and girls : 80 young people

EDP: Education course for umpires (May 30th afternoon) before the tournament with examination for 35 new umpires.
2 passed the exams in English and 7 passed the exams in Slovak.

Ceremonies : Very well organized in the main hall for single and team events on the end of the tournament
For open events, was foresee in each venue on the end of the open events.

Results: Results were given to countries during the closing dinner on CDs and result. The Results in digital form were sent to Ranking Officer, Gael Marziou on the end of each events by the TD.

Organizing Committee :

Chairperson : Helena Hankova
Technical : Marian Bystrican – Michel Urban – Jozef Miklovic
Accom and accred : Margita Homolova – Branislav Bolerazsky
First Aid : Juraj Stefak MD, Peter Ondrus MD, Danuse Koscova
Transport : Martin Capla – Michal Hanko
Promotion : Josef Mihalco
Secretariat OC : Anna Nemeckayova – Alena Gerhardtova – Zita Ziakova
Jolana Gerhardtova
Sound supervisor : Peter Petovsky

Comments: Organizers have done everything possible to make an experience for players an enjoyable one.

Accommodation aside of no wheelchair access at the main hotel good.

Meals: Very good. All participants had access to hot meal for breakfast, lunch and dinner, even when it was delivered to the venues.

All the windows in Gymnasium used for standing Men Players should be covered next time, so no outside light would have access to gym.
The white walls should be covered, because of the white walls.

In all playing courts, including in the main playing hall should be towel baskets.

There were enough umpires.
Ball catchers were available when needed.

Practice tables should be set aside, at least in the ratio of 1/3 of competition tables.
There was no possibility for practice when matches went on.

In spite of all the above mentioned problems all the players seemed to enjoy themselves and they said many of them would like to come next time again.
It was a very friendly atmosphere created most of all by caring many volunteers.

We all hope to can use the new venue next year !

**CONGRATULATIONS
to Helena and her complete team for the very good organization !**

June 18, 2007
Karol Ziduliak – Nico Verspeelt
IPTTC Technical Delegates