

INTERNATIONAL TABLE TENNIS FEDERATION PARA TABLE TENNIS DIVISION

Technical Delegate's Report

| Name of Tournament : | PTT THAILAND OPEN 2016 | |
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| Ranking Factor : | 40 | |
| Name of Responsible Federation : | i Sports Association for the Disabled of Thailand under the Royal Patronage of His Majesty the King (SADT) | |
| | ii. Table Tennis Association of Thailand | |
| Name of Chairperson of the Organizing Committee : | Mr. Chukiat Singsung | |
| Competition Venue : | Eastern National Sports Training Center, (Pattaya Sports Stadium), Thailand | |
| Dates of Tournament : | 09 – 12 October 2016 | |
| Name of Technical Delegate : | Christina CHEE (MAS) | |
| Report submitted to ITTF PTT : | 27 October 2016 | |

Background 2016 series of the PTT Thailand Open was the 3rd time (previously

was year 2014 and year 2015) held in the Eastern National Sports

Training Center (Pattaya Sports Stadium), Pattaya, Thailand.

Suvarnabhumi International Airport at Bangkok is about one hour Airport

15 minutes drive to the hotel, while the journey transferring delegations from Don Mueang International Airport, Bangkok, is

about 2 hours.

Accommodation: A-One Pattaya Beach Resort, 4 stars, is the first wheelchair friendly resort in Pattaya Thailand. The resort has different wings which

house all participants and officials as follows:

i) Team Classifiers, Team Referees and TD were housed in the Main Wing.

ii) All participants and other officials were housed in the New Wing and the Beach Wing of the resort which are fully accessible for wheelchair players.

Free Wi-Fi service is available in the lobby as well as in the rooms.





http://www.a-onehotel.com/pattaya/





Rooms in the Hotel

Accreditation: The accreditation was carried out on 07.10.2016, started at 13:00 hrs. at Hotel lobby of the new wing. Only accreditation cards were given out on arrival, training and meetings information were on the information board at the hotel information desk and also through Liaison person of each team. A bag was distributed as souvenir to all

participants and officials on 12.10.16.



LOC Admin/Information Counter at hotel Lobby



Souvenir bag

Transport: Transport between airports in Bangkok and hotel was well organized.



The organiser provided 5 buses for wheelchair / nonwheelchair users, and 6 non-wheelchair vans for users and luggage service. A van was available used for officials at all time from Hotel-Venue and vice versa. transport The service provided between Hotel and Venue on practice days, and competition days was equally good.

Meals:

- Breakfast served in the hotel was good with a fairly good spread.
- Lunch box provided for all participants and officials in the venue was of fairly good quality.
- Dinner served in the hotel was good. However to avoid stomach unwell, LOC has to informed the hotel, hope in future, to ensure a more fresh cooked food (especially seafood), less spicy and warm serving food at all time.
- The first official meal covered by the Organizer will be the dinner on 8th October 2016, and the last official meal will be the breakfast on 13th Oct. 2016.
- There is plenty of bottled water available at the competition venue.
- Coffee and tea, with snacks/fruit, were available for guests, officials and players, in the refreshments' space behind the stage in the venue.

Venue:

Eastern National Sports Training Center, (Pattaya Sports Stadium), Thailand.



- 16 competition tables and 7 practice tables (partitioned off by screens) were set up in the same hall as the competition hall. All tables were suitable to both wheelchair and standing players. One of the competition tables was used for live broadcast on the internet (YouTube).





Capacity: about 3000+ spectators

- **Lighting** was quite good, adequately covered the competition hall, practice area and call area, no day light.
- **The flooring** is synthetic rubber mats laid over a cement floor in competition hall and in practice area.



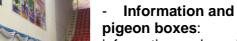


Practice Area Call Area

- **Call Area** is spacious, located in the main hall and separated from the competition area by screens.
- **Racket control**, located at the hall, near the call area for accessibility and for better ventilation.
- TD, Referee team, Computer Operator, Team Competition & Results tables were located in front of playing tables.
- **Wheelchair repair**: located along the side of the main hall and a separate room were made available for wheelchair storage.
- Internet access: Wi-Fi connection in the hall for everybody.







information and results updated by organisers all the time.

- There was one accessible room located in and adjacent to the playing area which was made available for TD & Referee, and meeting for Team Events Draws.
- **Washrooms** and **change rooms**; enough for both men and women wheelchair accessible located in front and at the back of the hall.





- **Medical**; throughout the competition, medical staff were on stand-by on the field of play whilst an ambulance at all time was available at the venue.



Equipment:

Tables: 10 Andro Magnum SCW blue tables and 6 Butterfly tables approved by ITTF were used for competition, 8 tables were used for practice at the training venue in the stadium.



Net & Post: Double Happiness and Donic blue approved by ITTF

Balls: Butterfly G40+ 3* white approved by ITTF

Umpire tables: Yinhe

Scoreboards: Donic, ITTF approved

Surroundings: Butterfly, Donic, TOT, SAT, Yinhe, DHS

Towel boxes: Yinhe approved by ITTF



Team Names & Match Score Indicator hung on surrounds

Daily Schedule:

07.10.16 (Fri): Arrivals, Classification on the MORNING (for new class 11 players)

08.10.16 (Sat): Practice day and Classification for all class 11 players,

16:00 Umpires' briefing at the venue,

19:30 Technical meeting & Draw for Singles Events

09.10.16 (Sun): Single Events the whole day; Opening Ceremony at 13:00

10.10.16 (Mon): Single Events; Draw for Team Events

11.10.16 (Tue): Team Events the whole day

12.10.16 (Wed): Team Events; Medals ceremony and Farewell Party

13.10.16 (Thu): Departures for delegations

Events: Singles Men 1-2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 & 11

Singles Women 2-3, 4-5, 6-8, 9, 10 & 11 Teams Men 1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8, 9-10 & 11

Team Women 2-5, 6-10 & 11

Competition hours: Day 1 (0930-1700), Day 2 (0900-1630)

Day 3 (0930-1830), Day 4 (0930-1600)

Participants: 184 in total from 17 countries as follows:

| Participants | Male | Female | Total Number |
|------------------|------|--------|--------------|
| Athletes | 96 | 34 | 130 |
| Coaches | 23 | 14 | 37 |
| Team Leaders | 4 | 1 | 5 |
| Supporting Staff | 6 | 6 | 12 |
| TOTAL | 129 | 55 | 184 |

Officials: Technical Delegate:- Ms Christina CHEE, MAS

Referee: - Mr LAU Pub Taai, Joseph, SGP
Deputy Referee: - Mr Niwat SEMANGERN, THA

Assistant Referee - Mr Chusakul VARAYANON, THA

Classifiers: Dr. Sheng WU (TPE),
Mr. Tah Fatt ONG (MAS),

Dr. Attarit SRINKAPAIBULAYA (THA)

Computer Official - Ms Saranya SARIVONG, THA

Umpires: A total of 41 **umpires**; they are from IND (1), JOR (1),

and 39 from Thailand.





Group photo (top) Referees, Classifiers, IUs, Nus, and (below) Competition Management Team

Meetings:

On 8th October at 4p.m., the umpires' briefing was conducted by the Referee at the venue and followed by venue familiarisation and field of play procedure rehearsal. Technical meeting & Draw for Singles Events was held at 7.30pm at 2nd floor Main Wing of hotel A-One. Organizers gave general information, Draws and Timetable for Singles Event for the first day of competition to delegations.





Ball person: They were 35 Secondary School

students worked as ball person for the whole duration of the tournament.

Good job and well done!

Liaison: Every delegation was provided a

volunteer/liaison person, while a few of the small delegations had to share. Great help and excellent job done by these young volunteers

received good remarks from most of the teams.

Results: Competitions results were updated regularly after each round on the

Results Board. All the draws and results were distributed to all countries to pigeon holes in a timely manner. Results and information were also set up at the hotel lobby. Results were uploaded to ITTF PTTD website daily by TD on conclusion of a day competition. Photos

were shared via Dropbox.

Classification: There was only classification for

new class 11 players only, others

only observation during the competition days.

Medical: Under the direction of Dr. Attarit

SRINKAPAIBULAYA (THA), the

medical team from Sawangboriboon Foundation Pattaya were present

at all time in the venue.

Media: There was Live streaming during all competition days on LOC YouTube

and ITTF's YouTube sites.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7TqdMtXtm_Yhttps://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5tTRU99LHPQhttps://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LiNey0kvNGMhttps://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ao8DpcafL7k

Articles published by Ian Marshall, ITTF Publications Editor, as follows:

http://new.ittf.com/2016/10/10/rio-2016-paralympic-games-bronze-medallists-make-successful-start/

http://new.ittf.com/2016/10/10/gold-host-nation-three-title-pride-place-wijittra-jaion/

http://new.ittf.com/2016/10/12/australian-ambassador-welcomes-national-team-thailand/

http://new.ittf.com/2016/10/12/differing-fortunes-host-nation-leading-teams-untroubled-

second-seeded-outfits-experience-problems/

http://new.ittf.com/2016/10/12/play-concludes-pattaya-surprise-winners-emerge/

Ceremonies: Opening ceremony on 09.10.2016 at 1.00p.m. was well organized within the time frame allocated.



Medals presentation ceremonies for the Class Singles and Class Teams Events were held together with a **Farewell Dinner** on the last day at The Boat dining room of A-One hotel. There were performances displays by a disable performer and a live singer.





Doping Control: Four players underwent Doping test in accordance with ITTF directions. Results will be forwarded to ITTF by Doping Control Section / Sports Authority of Thailand.

Evaluation:

o Accomodation: excellent

o Meals: Fair

Venue: spacious and nice

 Transport: very good organized from both Airports to Pattaya and back, without any problems

o Sport equipment: good, ITTF approved

Communication: fairly goodReferee Team: very good

o Umpires: good

o Computer person: very good

o Volunteers: very good

Medal presentation: good

Observations and Recommendations:

1. There were hardly any outside spectators during the competition. The organizers

could arrange for nearby high school and primary school students to watch the game.

2. To propose for future competitions, the OC administration should have a Person

In-Charge (PIC) of Entry Process and check all Entry Forms received are endorsed by their national association right from the submission of the First Entry Form, so that the organiser would be able to confirm entries as and when they are submitted.

3. To avoid food poisoning/stomach unwell, hope all meals, except breakfast, serve in future, be more quality and hygiene.

Conclusion:

Despite some short-comings, the event was well organised by the OC, a new board of SADT formed in less than four months! A big number of players expressed their satisfactions to be in Pattaya for the event and will return home with pleasant memories of the city and friendliness of the Thai people.

Overall, this tournament was successful. The players were satisfied.

As a conclusion, I take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks to the organizing committee (SADT & TTAT), Classifiers, Referee Team, officials, staffs and volunteers for all your cooperation and congratulations to your great work done.

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