WFDF Disc Missionary Program

Any disc player traveling to Asia (except Japan and Taiwan), South America, Africa or former Eastern European countries (including the former USSR) may apply to receive five free discs to take with them to these countries to distribute them.
To apply to the program send an application letter (1-2 pages) no later than 45 days before scheduled travel to: Wham-O, Sports Promotion Office, Disc Missionary Program, P.O. Box 4, San Gabriel, CA 91178, USA. Phone: +1 818 287 9681. Fax: +1 818 287 1040. Please include name, address, telephone, a rough itinerary with dates and places, and why you want to participate as a missionary.

INVITATION TO THE 1993 WFDF CONGRESS

The 1993 WFDF Congress will be held in San Diego and Madison on Saturday morning July 24th.
For exact time and location contact the respective tournament organizers.
Full Congress documentation is included in this newsletter.
For further questions contact Johan Lindgren, Robert Rauch or Dan Roddick.

From the President’s Disc

by Robert L. Rauch

In addition to its long-range goals of developing and promoting disc sports, WFDF’s current mandate is to arrange and oversee world championship competitions.
Tournaments with representatives from around the globe have been held in Guts since the 1960s, in overall events since the 1970s and in Ultimate since the early 1980s. The formation of WFDF in 1985 provided an opportunity to formalize the championship process, which previously was somewhat haphazard or intermittent, into the current biannual events we hold today.

Complicated task

Today’s events have become increasingly complicated to run. This year’s Ultimate Club Championship in Madison is expected to host nearly 1500 players on 90 teams. The logistics of housing and feeding that many people, let alone running a tournament, is a daunting task. To do so on the tight budgets on which this is typically accomplished is nearly miraculous. Accordingly, it has become much more difficult for tournament directors willing and sites able to accommodate our showcase events. For example, neither the WFDF World Overall Championship or the Fall UPA National Championship sites were identified until this springtime, and only then after an extensive search.

There are two sides to the responsibility coin for ensuring that we continue to hold quality, professionally run events in the future. The first lies with WFDF as the governing body of the sport. The WFDF Board has

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7 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT (All values in USD, calculated from other currencies for comparison)

Starting balance: 4638.92

Income:
- Rulebook Sales 176.00
- Other Sales 712.00
- World Champ. Fees 3781.94
- Membership Fees 434.81
- Bank Interest 54.97
- Transfer from oth cur. 2046.79

Sum 7206.52

Expenses:
- Office 328.67
- Prices 927.20
- Phone 954.29
- Stamps 245.39
- Board Meetings 1793.81
- Computer Supplies 263.85
- Newsletter Printing 373.33
- Newsletter Mailing 210.67
- Bank Charges 104.05
- Transfer to oth cur. 2647.95

Sum 7849.21

Net result (-642.68)

Remaining assets 3996.24

8 AUDITORS REPORT See attached report and treasurers comments.

9 FREEDOM FROM RESPONSIBILITY

The Congress must determine whether the board is to be given freedom from responsibility for the past year. What this means is that the Congress members affirm that the board acted in a responsible manner in carrying out its responsibilities and, therefore, is indemnified from future potential personal responsibility.

10 ELECTIONS

a) Election of a secretary for two years (1993-95).
b) Election of additional boardmembers (1993-95).
c) Election of three ranked deputies (1993-94).
e) Election of a returning officer + 2 members of the Election committee (1993-94).
f) Election of Committees for 1993-94.

A slate of proposed candidates will be presented before the Congress. Anyone interested in any of the positions should contact Nob Rauch or the relevant Committee Chairperson.

11 MEMBERSHIP FEES Determination of membership and other fees. The current schedule is: Yearly membership fee: 150 CHF World championship fee: 10 CHF per player. Sanctioning fee for other tournaments: 150 CHF

12 PLAN OF ACTION The overall objective of WFDF in 1993-94 is to become a more active organization and to provide more assistance to the member associations. To achieve this, the WFDF board has defined a series of defined action steps and projects. The following is a preliminary list of goals, in no special order of priority:

a) Rulebook. Dan Roddick responsible with the assistance of rules committee and event committees.
b) Disc Missionary Program. Nob Rauch and Dan Roddick responsible for program design and implementation.
c) Statute revision. Robert Rauch responsible with the aid of Johan Lindgren.
d) Developing countries. Several board members for various areas.
e) World Games participation. Fumio Morooka responsible.
g) Computerized address program. Johan Lindgren.
We believe it would be better if the board could be relieved from this kind of routine work.

Swedish Frisbee Disc Association - Mikael Norr (Chairman).

Board recommendation: The board agrees wholeheartedly with the suggestion that tournaments should be planned well in advance. However, instead of forming a new position, we believe that upcoming tournament planning should be handled by the Team Sports and Overall Sports Committees, respectively. Regarding the time schedule, it is the aim of WFDF to solicit bids three years in advance and decide on world championships at two years in advance of an event. In this way, the Congress at a World Ultimate/Guts or Overall Championship can decide on the location of the next similar tournament. For Ultimate this has worked reasonably well. It has been a lot harder finding organizers of Individual championships, which is being addressed by Dan Roddick. The WFDF will have the responsibility of disseminating the tournament schedule through the newsletter and electronically.

2. To supplement WFDF with a Record and Result Committee (RRC). To relieve the WFDF board from some work and to get a better administration of world records and results, WFDF needs a RRC. All world championship organizers should send their results (including all rounds, statistics etc) to the RRC, which then is to file the results. The RRC should also distribute world record report forms.

Below is an example of how the record administration could be handled. The RRC distributes a complete world record list to the national associations once a year and updates. The tournament organizer has the possibility to call the RRC before the tournament to get a current update. If there is a world record, the organizer sends the world record form to the RRC. The RRC then sends a letter or fax to the concerned national association, reporting whether the record is approved or not. If the record is approved the RRC sends a diploma to the recordholder. The RRC could also file national and continental records.

Swedish Frisbee Disc Association - Mikael Norr (Chairman).

Board recommendation: Record-keeping is currently handled by Dan Roddick through the Wham-O Sports Promotion Office. Dan Roddick and Johan Lindgren are discussing the issue with SFF and will provide a board recommendation under separate cover shortly.

3. To change the world record list in the WFDF rule book to only include the official records. The rule book contains these events: DDC, Guts, Ultimate, Discathon, Acuracy, Distance, MTA, TRC, Freestyle and Disc Golf. The rule book also contains seven divisions: Open, Women, Junior, Under 12, Master, Grand Master and Senior Grand Master. Records that do not have a combination of the aforementioned events and divisions should be moved to the list “Other World Records”. By the way, should there not be only flying disc records in the rule book? The flying ring record, for example, should not even be among the other world records.

Swedish Frisbee Disc Association - Mikael Norr (Chairman).

Board recommendation: Dan Roddick and Johan Lindgren are discussing the issue with SFF and will provide a board recommendation under separate cover shortly.

4. To supplement the WFDF Rulebook with a list of approved discs.

Swedish Frisbee Disc Association - Mikael Norr (Chairman).

Board recommendation: Dan Roddick will provide a base for discussion under separate cover shortly. The issue will then be discussed at the Congress.

5. A new and more consistent classification of junior divisions. Today there is an enormous gap between the juniors and the Under 12 divisions. To make it easier to grow in each new division, the suggestion is to delete the Under 12 division and to add an Under 16 and an Under 13 division. That classification would make it possible to compete three years in both the Under 16 and Under 19 divisions. In Sweden for example, we already compete in the Under 16 and Under 13 divisions. We call these Boys/Girls juniors and Boys/Girls minor.

Swedish Frisbee Disc Association - Mikael Norr (Chairman).

Board recommendation: Dan Roddick and Johan are discussing the issue with SFDA and will provide a board recommendation under separate cover shortly.

6. To have the WFDF rulebook available no later than March 1st. In Sweden we have just completed the translation of all the rules into Swedish. We are now facing the problem that it is difficult for us to get a printed copy of the new rules, before they will get effective (which is April 1st).

Swedish Frisbee Disc Association - Mikael Norr (Chairman).

Board recommendation: The board agrees wholeheartedly with the suggestion. The current schedule reflects this

17 HONORARY MEMBERS No suggestions for appointing Honorary members have been received.

18 CLOSING Closing of the Congress.

WFDF TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

1993

29-30/5 Paris, FRA Flep Intox Ultimate, Caroline +33-1 39704583
29-31/5 Heidelberg, GER 4th red baron ulti cup, Jutta Hubner +49-6221763555
5-6/6 Milano, Italy Milano Int. Ultimate, Pippo Fioreni +39-2 26146087
7/6 Australia Ultimate trophy, Brian Allen 09 443 2228
7-12/6 H-ville, AL, USA PDGA Championships, Bill Wagon +1 205-859-2313
12-13/6 Couille, FRA Daltons Int Ultimate, Gerard Beaujeu +33 64635048
12-13/6 Nuremberg, GER 3rd franken cup ult, Thomas Distler +49-911522808
12-13/6 WAles, AUSTRAL Queens birthday ult, Ian Ferguson 02 211 4055
19-20/6 Hanstedt, GER Hejder ultimate, Iwer Kroekel +49-41847304
19-20/6 Berlin, GER Berlin Open (EUROTUR) Frank Hellstern +49-302616450
9-11/7 Columbia, MO, USA Mid-Am disc golf open Alex Dadant +1-314-442-5892
17-18/7 Laurel Sp., USA Amateur DG champs, Bill Boylan +1-803-234-1070
25/7-1/8 S.Diego, USA WFDF overall championships, Robbie Robinson +1-619-459-3472
24/7 S.Diego/Ma, USA (Joint) WFDF congress, Johan Lindgren +46 60121497
25/7-1/8 Madison, Wi, USA WFDF ultimate club world champ. Peter Burkholder peter@geology.wisc.edu
30/7-1/8 Haag, HOL World Games with Ultimate show Johan Wiersma +31-703609319
4-8/8 Ft Collins, USA World amateur champs, Bill Wright +1-303-484-6932
6-8/8 Stockholm, SWE Stockholm open golf Jonas Log +46-86569303
9-14/8 Linkoping, SWE Overall Sweden Open. Stefan Karlsson, +46-13-112596
14-15/8 Rochester, USA Flying Disc Open, Royce Racinowski +1-716-482-8697
18-22/8 Tokyo, JAP Japan Open +81-3-33789212
28-29/8 Helsingborg, SWE Helsingborg open golf Mats Bengtsson +46-41145966
30/8-5/9 Arnhem, HOL EDFD champ ultimate Thomas Griesbaum +49-72167698
4-5/9 Bern, SWI Swiss open golf Urs Handte +41 52291042
11-12/9 Arhus, DEN Arhus open golf Mats Fredriksen +45 86250924
18-19/9 Weilheim, GER German open golf Hartmut Wahrman +49-88162648
3-4/10 Australia Queensland champ, Emma Cole 07 371 0997
9-10/10 Orebro, SWE Mud bowl ultimate Ingela Fredriksson +46-19322625
25-28/10 Lahti, FIN GAIIF Congress and General Assembly.
4-5/12 Victoria, AUSTRA Hat tournament ult, Simon Normand 03 480 3107

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21-27/8 England WFDF world ultimate and guts championships, Charlie Mead +44 214402859
7/8 England WFDF congress, Johan Lindgren +46 60121497

Send info on tournaments to: Johan Lindgren, Gnejsvagen 24, 853 57 Sundsvall, Sweden.
Fax: +46 60 115371, BBS: +46 60 115371, Fidonet: 2:205/106. Email: jllindgrenpns.apc.org.

(For a complete list of tournaments in USA contact the appropriate organisation. Ie PDGA for golf tournaments, UPA for ultimate-UPA, disc golf-PDGA etc.)
Minutes of WFDF board phone meeting.

- **Date and time:** May 16, 1993. 16:00-19:00 Swedish time.

**Participants:** Robert Rauch (RR), Johan Lindgren (JL), Dan Roddick (DR), Juha Jalovaara (JJ) and Fumio Morooka (FM). Seppo Nieminen and Tami Pellicane were unable to attend.

(Tami was getting married and it was agreed that JL would send a congratulations card from WFDF to Tami and her new husband Nick Hart.)

1) RR declared the meeting opened and assumed chairmanship. JL was elected to write the minutes from the meeting.

2) The agenda was approved.

3) RR talked about his preliminary discussions with Brian Murphy of the law firm Holland & Hart ("H&H"). The proposal from Brian had been sent out in advance to the board. Brian is very familiar with disc issues as he served as UPA Executive Director in 1984-85 and has been the General Counsel of the UPA since 1988. It was agreed that WFDF should accept the proposal.

The mandate from H&H is threefold: 1) to investigate the legal liability issues facing WFDF and to investigate the pros and cons of incorporating in Finland, Sweden, Switzerland or the USA; b) to arrange for the appropriate filings for formal incorporation, if necessary; and c) to redraft the Statutes of WFDF.

H&H requires an initial payment of USD 500 as a retainer which RR will send immediately. Brian estimates that the project can be completed for about 1500-2000 USD. Brian will be given instructions to contact the board should the costs rise beyond USD 1500 and will provide an initial report within two or three weeks time.

4) Reports from upcoming World Championships. DR and JJ talked about the Overall Championship in San Diego and the World Ultimate Club Championship in Madison respectively. Everything seems to be moving along according to plan. San Diego expect between 100 and 150 participants and Madison will see around 1,500 participants on 90 teams in three divisions. The only problem regarding Madison has been the definition of club team since it is difficult to define a true "club member". JJ has been working on a tournament protocol manual to deal with this for the future.

In a separate issue JJ also apologized for being ignorant of the official WFDF tournament medal availability, since he had okayed the purchase by Madison of trophies without knowing that the WFDF Congress had decided to use standardized WFDF medals.

In addition the board talked about the process for accepting, reviewing and voting on bids for future World championships. It was agreed that bids could be submitted no earlier than three years prior to an event and would be voted upon by the Congress two years prior to the tournament. It was decided that the Overall Events and the Team Sports Committees would be responsible for identifying organizers for the future. RR would submit an article about this for the upcoming newsletter.

5) The Congress will be held simultaneously in both San Diego and in Madison, hooked together by telephone conference. Date is Saturday July 24th and the starting time is 9:30am in San Diego and 11:30am in Madison. RR will be chairman in Madison and DR assisting chairman in San Diego. RR will submit a Congress PAcKage to ensure an expedient resolution to administrative issues and will also prepare background information for discussion issues.

The Swedish motions were reviewed and the board expressed its pleasure that a member association used this proper channel for leaving suggestions to WFDF and the Congress. (More complete discussions are included in the Congress materials.)

**Motion 1:** The task of finding organizers is a job for the committees. See point 4 above. JL agreed to expand the WFDF tournament listing and make it more available. The Board response is that this is a good suggestion but a new officer is unnecessary since it should be done within the existing organisation.

**Motion 2, 3 and 5:** They all deal with world records and the rule book. JL will investigate with the Swedish association what they want and then discuss with DR of possible solutions. There are no board suggestion at the time of the writing of these minutes.

**Motion 4:** List of approved discs. DR said it is a good idea and that inevitable the process will develop into this. However, it will take a lab with a staff to do it properly and it also involves considerations of WFDF liabilities if we approved specific discs. Moreover, the criteria for qualifying discs were set out in this years Rulebook. Board
suggestion: DR will present a discussion of the issues at the Congress this summer so that it can be addressed properly.

**Motion 6:** To have the rules ready by March 1st of each year. This is already scheduled by the Rules Committee. The fact that the word processing will be done at the Wham-O Sports Promotion Office this year will make this possible for the 1994 rulebook.

6) GAISF. The fee has been raised significantly and is a considerable amount of money for WFDF. It was decided to pay this years fee but also to bring up the issue of our membership at the Congress. FM indicated that it was very important for the JFDA that WFDF be a GAISF-members. Moreover, with the World Games in Japan in 2001 a possibility for us, we must be GAISF-members. Issues will be outlined at the Congress.

7) Finance. JL gave the financial report. As of the end of May 1993 WFDF has roughly 60,000 SEK which is about 8,000 USD. It was agreed that all members paying full fee before the Congress would be allowed to participate. JL would send a summary of all associations’ debts to DR and RR to be used at Congress.

b) RR want ideas for projects for WFDF to take on. One such is the teaching video that UPA has developed and that Andrew Morris could work on for WFDF. JJ will investigate.

c) It was agreed to pay the phone expenses that JJ has incurred for working on the WUCC, although he has no listing from the German phone company to present. He has used his office phone and calls are not shown individually on the invoice.

8) The board talked about the World Games and agreed that it is a matter to pursue on a long-term basis. Our Dutch association will be hosting an Ultimate tournament as a demonstration sport at the Games this summer. As WFDF representatives, FM will be in The Hague together with Paul Eriksson from the Swedish Association. WFDF has provided the Dutch organizers with a 500 USD budget for promotion. WFDF has also arranged for 300 minis, and a printed flyer describing WFDF.

9) Miscellaneous Issues. a) JL is using a regional office of the Swedish Sports Confederation for administrative assistance in printing and mailing. The cost is merely the expenses of paper and stamps. JJ will investigate if WFDF can set up office facilities at either the Finnish or Swedish FDA offices on a cost-effective basis.

b) DR will be on email shortly and FM expects to gain access by mid-June. The only board member yet to access e-mail is Seppo Nieminen, who has no computer. The board shall try to find one for him.

c) JL is working on a computerized address program and expect comments from the board after testing the program.

d) The earlier positive decision regarding the Czech association application for full WFDF membership was confirmed by the board.

e) DR said that the Guts Player Association has disbanded and would like to leave the responsibility for overseeing issues relating to Guts to the WFDF Guts committee.

f) JL brought up some questions regarding the membership situation in several countries. RR suggested that this matter could be left for discussion as part of the statute revision.

10) The meeting was closed.

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**WFDF World Ultimate Club Championships**

The tournament is taking place between July 25th and August 1st in Madison, Wisconsin, USA.

The organizers have received applications from a lot of teams in many countries. It is especially fun to see that we have interested teams in both Colombia, Bangladesh and Mexico. Mexico and Bangladesh want to participate with one open team and Colombia want to send both open, women’s and masters team. Teams are also coming from seven European countries, US, Canada, Japan and Australia. The organizers are seeking volunteers to work during the tournament. They need translators, field captains, scorers, stat recorders, laborers, data entry, sales, massage therapy and sports medicine. For more info get in touch with the Madison Ultimate Frisbee Association (MUFA), PO Box 1591, Madison, WI 53701-1591 USA. Email: to Peter Burkholder: peter@geology.wisc.edu.
Invitation to the 1993 Swedisc Open.

This event will mark the first time that the prestigious Swedish National Championship has ever been open for non "Super-Swedes". This is your chance to compete against the best 60 Swedes from the Swedish Qualification Tournaments. A limited number of players (50) from the rest of this planet will be accepted to take part in this challenge. Do not miss this opportunity!

When: First throw is Monday 9th and Finals Saturday 14th. The month is August and the year is 1993.

Where: Linköping is the place where all the action will happen, 200 km south of Stockholm.

Divisions: Open, Women and Junior. Juniors are divided into two divisions. One for players earliest born in '75 and one for players earliest born in '78.

Events: This is an Overall-tournament in Distance, SCF, Golf, Discathlon, DDC and Freestyle (Pairs only).

Housing: We are offering all players to stay at Good Evening Hotel, which is located in the centre of Linköping. Close to the Central Station and playing fields. Single room is 225 SEK per night and double room 320 SEK per night. An extra bed, in a double room, is 160 SEK per night. We also offer low-budget option. 25 SEK per night in a school building.

Registration: We need your application by the 9th of July 1993. But if you want to be sure to be one of the happy 50, register earlier.

Your registration fee, of 300 SEK, and application form are to be sent to:
LUFSS
c/o Appel
Skäggetorp C. 34
582 38 Linköping
Sweden.
Phone: Int 46 13 179046.

Festival: Linköping City is arranging a Summer Festival the same week as the tournament. There will be musicians, happenings, a lot of people and great spirit in the City. The Swedisc Open is a part of this Festival, so hopefully this will give us more spectators than usual.

LUFSS is also going to host an "Action/Frisbee-Festival" on Saturday 14th. This is happening downtown, in Linköping's nicest and most well-known central park. Here will the finals in Discathlon, Golf and Freestyle take place. The Finals will be surrounded by a lot of Frisbee-fun.

Do not miss the Festival! You can also help us by being an instructor.

Important dates:
12-13/6: Regional Overall Championships in Linköping, "Pre-Swedisc Open".
31/7-1/8: Wettern Open, in Jönköping. PDGA-Golf. Info: Åke F, +46 36 131146
6-8/8: Stockholm Disc Golf Open. PDGA. + EuroTour-Golf. Info: Peter H, +46 8 7989369
28-29/8: Helsingborg Open. PDGA. + EuroTour-Golf. Info: Martin S, +46 46 148069

You are very, very welcome to this Tournament. Take the opportunity of visiting Sweden and meet a lot of nice friends.

Our ambition is to make you feel at home in Linköping.

Send in your application as soon as possible.

Application forms, questions and info will be given by your national association, The Swedish Association or LUFSS:
Stefan Karlsson, Garvaregatan 18. 582 53 Linköping. Phone Int +46 13 112596.
Mats Appel, see address and phone above, LUFSS.

I am looking forward to seeing you in Linköping.

Stefan Karlsson, tournament director.
Dear Friends,

Please find enclosed copies of the registration forms for each division for the 1994 World Ultimate and Guts championships. It is very important that these forms are returned as soon as possible so that detailed and accurate arrangements can be made for the championship.

Please return these forms by 1st July 1993

Since the last letter asking you to return the initial registration forms the tournament site has been determined and the relationship between the tournament director and WFDF Board continues to be defined. The tournament will be held on the campus of Essex University as this proved to be the site best fitting the requirements of the WFDF Board. All aspects of Ultimate competition, including seeding and tournament format, will be the responsibility of the WFDF Board though the tournament director and staff will be responsible for administering the event. Should you have any views as to the format of the tournament for each division please contact the WFDF Board through your national association.

The cost of the tournament has yet to be set as we do not have enough information about the numbers of players attending. Only six countries replied to the initial registration request, including two countries never represented at the World championships before: Bangladesh and Venezuela. The breakdown of numbers is given below for those teams who have registered.

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Important dates.

1 July 1993 Return of Division registration forms
1 September 1993 Championship mailing to all teams with update of tournament, including final costs and accommodation options
1 December 1993 Championship mailing to all teams with tournament update.
1 March 1994 All teams receive detailed registration forms asking for final numbers of players, supporters and staff.
1 May 1994 Registration of all teams closes. Invoices for the Championships sent to all teams.
1 June 1994  Payment of site costs due; approximately 70% of total.
1 July 1994  Tournament format sent to all teams
1 August 1994  Full payment of fees due.
21 August 1994  All teams arrive
28 August 1994  All teams leave

Accommodation options.

Teams may choose either Single rooms, Breakfast and Dinner OR Single rooms with self-catering. The self-catering option will be cheaper by approximately £50. There are only 100 self-catering places available and they will be allocated to those teams who request them upon payment of the site costs.

Costs.

As mentioned in the last letter costs cannot be set until we know how many players will be attending the tournament. The more players that attend, the cheaper the costs per player will be. This is another way of saying please register.

Payment of Fees.

This will be a regular item in all newsletters to all teams. We feel that it is important that you are aware of the need to pay your tournament fees on time. All site fees, including accommodation, food, field costs and insurance must be paid by 1st June 1994. This will amount to approximately 70% of the total cost depending on your accommodation option. This is a requirement of the University. Should their fees not be paid by this time the tournament will be liable to costs that will be levied by the bank at approximately 6% (less than 6 months ago) per month. As mentioned before, this cost WILL be passed onto players. Final payment of all fees must be by 1st August 1994. We are making payment arrangements clear and unambiguous. Please do not be surprised by these arrangements next year.

As soon as the cost of the tournament is set we will contact you. It might be to your advantage to pay sooner than later due to the very good exchange rate with the English £ at present. Since Britain pulled out of the European Exchange Rate Mechanism the pound has been devalued by approximately 20% making it a much cheaper tournament for all concerned (except us of course).

Finally, may I encourage you to give me as much advice/feedback as possible about any aspect of the championships. The evaluation many of you gave at the European Championships in 1991 has helped inform our practice for 1994.

Yours,

Charlie Langdon-Mead.

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