

11th Asian Shooting Championships 2007 – Kuwait

3rd -13th December 2007

The 11th Asian Shooting Championships attracted **670** shooter athletes from **32 Asian National Federations** to contest all the Olympic events, plus 25m Center Fire Pistol Men, and 25m Standard Pistol Men events. **28** quota places were distributed (details below) for the Beijing Summer Olympic Games 2008.

All quotas were won; **9** in Shotgun, and **19** in Pistol and Rifle without a protest, thanks to athletes and officials, both local and international.

All in all, **16** countries from the Asian Continent shared in the distribution of the quota places. Congratulations to all the winners!!

Supervision of the Championships was overseen by the Technical Delegates: Mr. Kim Il Hwan (KOR) for Pistol and Rifle, and Mr. Bhattakarka Bunnag (THA) for shotgun.

The Championships took place on the recently finished Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmad Olympic Shooting Complex at Sulaibiya, approximately 40 kilometers North of Kuwait city.

Training commenced on the first day of December as much to benefit the visiting athletes, as to complete preparations of the many volunteers for range and various other duties, imperative for the smooth running of a Championship of such scale.

As local volunteers are often the unsung heroes of a successful competition, and we appreciate their willing contribution.

Final Entry Registration was greatly helped by the presence of Jan Ketzl (ISSF HQ) and Mr. Max Mueckl (Technical Consultant for Pistol and Rifle). The ISSF Have worked exceedingly hard to produce an online system that greatly reduces the amount of work for the Organizing Committee, and should be utilized whenever possible.

Before the beginning of the Championships, two Technical Meetings were held – one for Pistol and Rifle, another for Shotgun, and it was decided to add the 25m Pistol Men Junior event to the competition program, without ACH status at the request of India and Kazakhstan team officials.

All Jury members were assigned by the Asian Shooting Confederation to assist the Organizing Committee in managing the competition and ensuring fair and equitable conditions for all athletes. Aside from that, various international experts from Australia, Cyprus, Germany, Greece, Italy, and Switzerland were invited, and their assistance and advice were crucial to the smooth conduct of the Championships.

For the first time ever in the Asian Shooting Championships, was the holding of Finals in the Olympic events for Juniors. This created a lot of interest for the athletes, their teams and Countries, and prepared these fine young athletes for a transition to senior ranks. All final results in these events are thus automatically the first Asian Records.

Doping Control

Doping control was supervised by qualified staff from the Olympic Council of Asia, and ably assisted by representatives from the Ministry of Health. Proudly, and thanks to the fine education and control of all Member Federations only negative tests were returned in all Olympic Events.

Opening Ceremony

The opening ceremony was held as scheduled on December 4, 2007. Delegations were welcomed to Kuwait and the new Olympic shooting complex by H. E. Sheikh Mubarak Homoud Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, Governor of Al-Jahra, representing His Highness the Amir of Kuwait.

H. E. Horst Schreiber, Secretary General of the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) along with ISSF Vice Presidents Luciano Rossi (ITA), Medhat Wahdan (EGY) as well as ISSF Executive Committee member Robert Mitchell (USA) were guests of honor at the opening ceremony. H.E. Horst Schreiber voiced satisfaction with the modern shooting facilities and the complex as a whole, and commented that this shooting complex was “perhaps one of the best in the world”.

An opening speech was given by the H.E. Sheikh Salman Al Sabah, President of the Asian Shooting Confederation and Higher Organizing Committee, welcoming participants, and officially opening the Championships.

The ceremony was attended as well by the Honorable members of the ASC board and Executive Committee; other guests at the opening ceremony included prominent persons from the neighboring Gulf Region, as well as other countries: Bhutan, Egypt, Germany, India, Italy, Lebanon, Nepal, Philippines, Russia, Slovenia and United States of America.

Medal Award Ceremonies

An awarding ceremony was held for each Championship, after the finals were held at the conclusion of shooting each afternoon. Presentations were made at the Pistol and Rifle Final Hall, where certificates and medals were awarded to the winners.

The Asian Shooting Championships were honored by the visit of H.E. Sheikha Naeema Al Ahmad Al Sabah, who presented certificates of appreciation to members of the Organizing Committee and others whose participation was indispensable for the success of the championships.

Closing Ceremony

The closing ceremony was brief and the delegations were bid farewell by H.E. Sheikh Salman Al Sabah, President of the ASC and the Higher Organizing Committee, expressing satisfaction with the organization of the 11th Asian Shooting Championships.

The President of the ASC further expressed his appreciation to Kuwait Shooting Federation, the Asian Shooting Confederation, and the organizing committee for the success of this competition. He wished everyone a safe journey back to their countries, encouraged all athletes to work hard, and wished them every success during the Beijing Summer Olympic Games 2008.

Official results

All results can be found at the official ASC website, www.asia-shooting.org, with links to <http://kssf.com.kw/news.php?id=33>

SUMMARY:

- Overall a good result;
- There were no protests – a sure sign that athletes and coaches were happy with conditions supplied to them.
- Competition was carried out in observance and compliance of all ASC and ISSF rules and regulations.

Ending with a voicing of special thanks to the volunteers, without whom no Olympic style sporting event is possible.

No.	Event	Gender	Nationality	Name	ISSF ID	Date competed
1	AP60	M	JPN	KOBAYASHI Susumu	SHJPNM2706197301	5/12/2007
2	AP60	M	KAZ	ISSACHENKO Vladimir	SHKAZM2712198201	5/12/2007
3	AR40	W	KOR	KIM Chan Mi	SHKORW0810199302	6/12/2007
4	AR40	W	THA	HONGPRASERT Sasithorn	SHTHAW1306198401	6/12/2007
5	FP	M	UZB	MUKHTAROV Dilshod	SHUZBM04011197501	6/12/2007
6	FP	M	SRI	SENANAYAKE Edirisinghe	SHSRIM1402197001	6/12/2007
7	TR75	W	KAZ	STRUCHAEVA Elena	SHKAZW0501196501	6/12/2007
8	AR60	M	KGZ	ISMAILOV Ruslan	SHKGZM2211198601	7/12/2007
9	AR60	M	JPN	YAMASHITA Toshikazu	SHJPNM2102197701	7/12/2007
10	SP	W	KOR	GANG Eun Ra	SHKORW2608197701	7/12/2007
11	SP	W	THA	PRUCKSAKORN Tanyaporn	SHTHAW0801199001	7/12/2007
12	TR125	M	KOR	LEE Young Sik	SHKORM0103197302	7/12/2007
13	TR125	M	KUW	MEQLAD Naser	SHKUWM1208198201	7/12/2007
14	TR125	M	SIN	LEE Wung Yew	SHSINM1903196601	7/12/2007
15	AP40	W	TPE	HUANG Yi Ling	SHTPEW0208198501	8/12/2007
16	AP40	W	PRK	JO Yong Suk	SHPRKW0509198801	8/12/2007
17	STR3X20	W	UZB	KUZNETSOVA Elena	SHUZBW0108198201	8/12/2007
18	STR3X20	W	KOR	JEONG Mi Ra	SHKORW0802198701	8/12/2007
19	RFP	M	MAS	AMIR HASAN Hasli Izwan	SHMASM2202197701	9/12/2007
20	DT150	M	CHN	PAN Qiang	SHCHNM2101198501	9/12/2007
21	FR60PR	M	CHN	JIA Zhanbo	SHCHNM1503197401	10/12/2007
22	FR60PR	W	OMAN	AL BALUSHI Allahdad	SHOMAM0101195801	10/12/2007
23	SK75	W	PRK	PAK Jong Ran	SHPRKW2403196601	11/12/2007
24	FR3X40	M	KOR	PARK Bong Duk	SHKORM2309197301	12/12/2007
25	FR3X40	M	KAZ	DOVGUN Vitaliy	SHKAZM1502197101	12/12/2007
26	SK125	M	QAT	AL-ATTIYA Nasser	SHQATM2112197001	12/12/2007
27	SK125	M	QAT	AL-ATIAYA, A-Aziz	SHQATM1910197301	12/12/2007
28	SK125	M	UAE	ALMAKTOUM Saeed	SHUAEM0110197601	12/12/2007

