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The Guangzhou Asian Games Organizing Committee (GAGOC) recently issued the Chess Sport Technical Handbook with this chess graphic on the cover:



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The Games in brief

Dates: November 12-27, 2010
 Location: Guangzhou, China
 Sport Program: 42 sports, 473 events
 Venues: 53 competition venues
 Mission: In the Olympic spirit and the spirit of the Asian Games, the Games seek to promote solidarity, friendship and exchanges among Asian countries and regions and to contribute to the building of a harmonious Asia.

Emblem



The official emblem of the 16th Asian Games was designed based on the contours of the Statute of the Five Goats, the symbol of Guangzhou. Its soft lines move upward to form the silhouette of the Statute, which also resembles the flame in the cauldron of the 16th Asian Games. The design well embodies the symbol of Guangzhou, representing the goodwill of the Guangzhou people and the dynamics of the Asian Games.

Chess Competition of 16th Asian Games, 12-27 Nov. in Guangzhou



Asian Chess Federation President Sheikh Sultan bin Khalifah Al Nahyan (second from left) at a press conference with GAGOC Deputy Director Liang Yong, 2007 in Al Ain, UAE. At right are ACF Secretary General Hisham Al Taher and ACF Deputy President Casto Abundo. In November 2010, the 16th Asian Games will be held in Guangzhou, China. The city of Guangzhou, with its openness, kindness and warmth, is welcoming friends from all over Asia as always. "Thrilling Games, Harmonious Asia" is the theme. In 2010, through the delivery of efficient and effective planning and organization, state of the art venues and facilities, customer-oriented services with a friendly and supportive environment, Guangzhou is expecting the elite Asian athletes to display their passion and the charm of sport, for promoting the development of sport in Asia, and strengthening the sports and cultural exchanges among the Asian countries and regions.



GAGOC sent a 15-man delegation for a Technical Conference with the Asian Chess Federation in Al Ain, UAE. Standing at right is ACF Treasurer Mehrdad Pahlevanzadeh.

Guangzhou, Guangdong Province

The Guangdong Province is situated to the north of the South China Sea. Guangdong Province has a mixture of tropical and sub tropical monsoon climate. As the capital of Guangdong Province, Guangzhou is the political, economic and cultural center of the province. It is also a major trading hub of China.



Guangzhou enjoys rich tourist attractions. There are more than a hundred scenic sites. Guangzhou is a famous cultural city with a history of more than 2,200 years. Cantonese Opera is a typical local opera. It is popular in Guangdong Province, Hong Kong, Macau and Southeast Asia. Lingnan painting school is one of China's modern painting schools. Guangzhou's carvings, porcelains and ceramics, and embroideries are fine art crafts famous both at home and abroad. Cantonese cuisine is one of the major cuisines in China.

Mascot



Named "Le Yangyang" as a group, the Mascots of the 16th Asian Games are five sporty and cute goats called A Xiang, A He, A Ru, A Yi and Le Yangyang, respectively. Put together, these names mean "peace, fortune and happiness". They express the goodwill that Guangzhou hopes to bring to Asia through the 16th Asian Games: fortune, harmony, happiness, fulfillment and joy, and also convey the Games' message – harmony and passion.

Asian Games Town

The Asian Games Town covers a planned area of 2.73 sq km on the east side of Guangzhou New May Town, right at the foot of the Lotus Mountain and alongside the Lotus Waterway. Well-equipped and set in a beautiful environment, the Asian Games Town comprises the Athletes' Village, the Media Village, the International Broadcast Center, the Main Press Center and the Asian Games Park.

Accommodation

During the Games, over 10,000 athletes and team official will be accommodated in the Athletes' Village which boasts 49 apartment buildings consisting of 3,598 apartments. It is divided into the Public Area, the International Area and the Residential Area. Separate accreditation is required for entering the three areas.

Format

Each player's board order shall confirmed at the time of entry. Each team shall be listed in a fixed board order by the team captain upon registration.

Scoring

Each team's place in the order of classification shall be decided by the number of Match Points it has scored.

Eqpt. and Clothing

Games shall be played on electronic boards. Teams are requested to be in official uniforms. No brand advertisements shall be allowed.

Doping Control

Doping Control during the 16th Asian Games will be conducted in accordance with OCA Anti-Doping Rules applicable to the Asian Games and will follow the standards and procedures under the World Anti-Doping Programme.

Media

As per the requirements of the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA), athletes must pass through the mixed zones after

Accreditation and Validation

GAGOC will start distributing the accreditation application forms and Users' Guide from 15th March 2010. The completed accreditation application forms shall be returned to GAGOC by 30th June 2010. From 1st September 2010, GAGOC will start sending out the accreditation cards of the 16th Asian Games to NOCs that have submitted valid accreditation application forms with photos before 30th June 2010. The bearers of the accreditation cards can activate the accreditation cards at the accreditation centers at the airport or the Asian Games Town / the sub-villages upon entering China. Once activated, the accreditation cards will be used as the official IDs for participation in the 16th Asian Games. The bearers have access rights to different venues and zones according to the access entitlement specified on their accreditation cards.

Immigration / Visa

From 13th October to 12th December 2010, Asian Games Identity Accreditation Card (AGIAC) holders will be permitted multiple entries into China upon presentation of their AGIAC, together with a valid passport or other valid international travel documents. Card holders will not need to apply for a China visa or Residence Permit in order to enter the country. Any AGIAC holder wishing to enter China before or after the validity period of the AGIAC, or remain in China after its expiry date, will need to make their own arrangements regarding visas or residence permit.

AGIAC holders should ensure that the information on their valid passport or international travel documents when entering China is exactly the same with the information on the certified document used for application for AGIAC, and that their passport or travel document remain valid at least till 31st May 2011.

Technical Information



The chess competition of the 16th Asian Games will be held from 13th to 26th November 2010 in the Guangzhou Chess Institute. The Asian Chess Federation president has appointed FIDE General Secretary Ignatius Leong (left) as Technical Delegate. Competition Manager is Ye Jiangchuan (right) of the Chinese Chess Association. The



chess competition will consist of four events: Rapid Men's and Women's Individual, Standard Men's and Women's Teams.

Schedule

Technical Meeting will be held 14:00-16:00 on 12 November 2010 at the Guangzhou Chess Institute. The Rapid Men's and Women's Individual will be held 13th to 16th November followed by a Rest Day on the 17th then the Standard Men's and Women's Team Events from 18th to 26th November.

Sport Entries

All National Olympic Committees (NOC) in Asia may enter the chess competition. According to the regulations and rules of OCA and FIDE, all participants entering into the chess competition must be registered members of their Chess Federation for at least one year.

Entry deadlines

Entry by Event/Number – Deadline 31 July 2010

Entry by Name – Deadline 30 September 2010

Entry Policies

Individual Events: Each participating NOC may enter two athletes in each event.

Team Events: Each participating NOC may enter one team including four registered players and one for reserve in each event.

Total: Each participating NOC may enter a maximum of five male athletes and five female athletes.

Asian Chess Calendar 2010-2011

Asian Srs./Amateur	Beirut, LIB	4-13 Apr 2010
Asian Continental M&W	Subic, PHI	20-30 Apr 2010
ASEAN Age Group	Subic, PHI	4-13 Jun 2010
Asian Juniors/Girls	Chennai, IND	17-27 Jun 2010
Asian Youth	Beijing, CHN	1-10 Jul 2010
World (& Women's) Club Cup	UAE	11-20 Jul 2010
Asian Club Champions League	Al Ain, UAE	10-20 Oct 2010
Asian Games	Guangzhou, CHN	12-27 Nov 2010

finishing their competition, but are not obliged to take the media's questions. Generally, a press conference will be organized immediately after each final for the medalists to meet the media. The media operations teams will usher the participants into the press room. The press conference will be interpreted in English and Chinese.

Medical Services

All competition and non-competition venues will include athlete medical stations, where professional medical staff as well as ambulances will stand by. Free medical services will be provided to members of the Asian Games Family during the Games time.

Announce Open Tournaments

Send details of your open tournaments for announcement in the Asian Newsletters. Email to:

asianchessfederation@yahoo.com

Asian Schools	Colombo, SRI	16-23 Dec 2010
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Asian Continental M&W	Tehran, IRI	2011
Asian Juniors/Girls	Colombo, SRI	2011
Asian Youth	Subic, PHI	2011
Asian Cities Team	Jakarta, INA	15-25 Apr 2011
Asian Schools	Al Ain, UAE	2011
World Juniors/Girls	India	2011

Coming Asian Open Tournaments

18th Fajr Intl Open	Mashad, IRI	19-28 Feb. 2010
4th Agzamov Memorial Open	Tashkent, UZB	22 Mar-1 Apr 2010
O2C Doeberl Cup	Canberra, AUS	1-5 Apr 2010
Sydney Intl Open	Sydney, AUS	7-11 Apr 2010
Thailand Open 2010	Bangkok, THA	14-20 Apr 2010

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