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Xth. World Championships in St. Petersburg, Russia.

We ask that you confirm that you will take part with numbers of competitors, officials and others. Please do this so that the organising committee can make their plans for the number of people expected. Anyone who requires a special letter of invitation to enable them to get a visa should ask the organisers direct and tell them exactly what should be written in the invitation. The address is: Mr. Michael Shmelev, Chairman Xth. ITF World Championships, Narodnogo Polchenya av. 2, Sankt-Petersburg 198216, Russia, Telephone(7) (812) 2551534 or 2648792, Fax(7) (812) 2553402. **PHOTOGRAPHS** are wanted for everyone and we ask that you send 3 passport size photographs with your name and country written on the back. Transport, hotels etc is being looked after and we ask that you do everyting officially through the organisers. As with the last junior championships, if you decide to book your own hotel then you will be responsible for all your own arrangements for transport and everything. The organisers and the ITF will take no responsibility for you. The **ENTRY FEE per competitor** is \$50.00 so please take note. **UMPIRES** please send your details to this office in Vienna if you wish to officiate at the championships. Umpire seminar will be held on the 1st. and 2nd. of July. Umpires are expected to wear the proper dress and to attend the seminar beforehand.

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The **Congress** meeting will most likely be organised for the 2nd. of July. If you have any items for the agenda then please advise us.

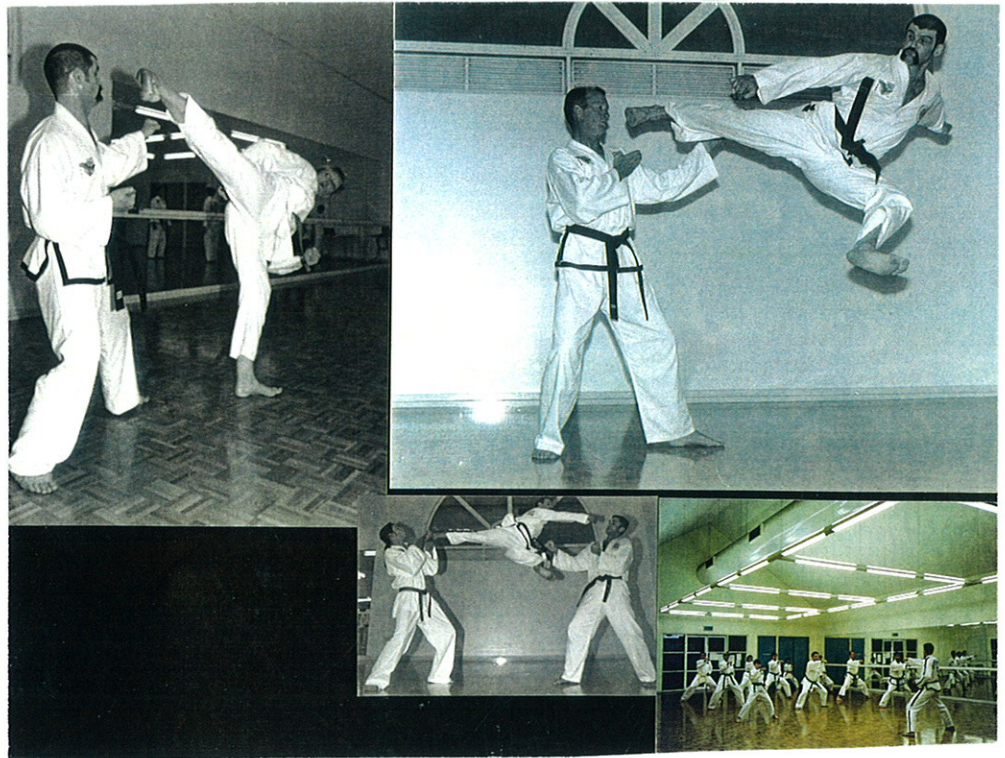
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It seems that the stocks of the **MANUALS** have run out and we would like to print another batch. Please write and inform us if you would like to order the manual. Normally we would like to have orders for 50 or more.

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Some photos of the members of Instructor Michel Mampisanjy's school in
MADAGASKAR



Photos of some of the members in the school of Instructor Peter Barbour,
AUSTRALIA

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Mr. *Phap Lu* has been awarded the *Ottawa Centre Canadian Leadership Award* for an outstanding contribution to the Ottawa community. The award ceremony was held on 20th. April when the award was presented by member of Parliament Mac Harb.
CONGRATULATIONS.

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A martial arts magazine has printed a letter where the person states that the ITF has certified a five year old for 1st. Dan. We cannot find such a certification but if it exists then it is certainly a mistake. Please note that the ITF will not entertain an application for *CHILDREN under the age of 8 years old* for certification.

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For the 10th. World Championships we ask *umpires of "A" qualification* who wish to officiate to send their details to the ITF HQ. As usual there will be a two day seminar beforehand.

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Please note that if we print anything at peoples' request that we take no responsibility for the details being wrong.

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS SEMINARS

CONDUCTED BY *GEN. CHOI HONG HI*
1997

MAY - 30th. to June 1st. - CANADA.

JULY - China. Korea.

SEPTEMBER - 1st. to 3rd. -Haiti?
Malaysia? Cambodia? Syria?

OCTOBER - 31st. to Nov. 2nd. -
PERU.

NOVEMBER

7th. to 9th. - Tucuman, ARGENTINA.

11th. & 12th. - URUGUAY. 14th. to

16th. - Buenos Aires, ARGENTINA.

20th. to 23rd. - PARAGUAY.

DECEMBER - 15th. to 17th. - Poland.

CONDUCTED BY OTHERS

JUNE 1998 - 3rd. week - Hawaii - by
Master Charles Sereff.

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CHAMPIONSHIPS 1997

MAY - 1st. to 4th. - **EURO
SENIOR** in Slovenia.

JUN - Romanian Nationals.

JUL - 1st. to 10th. - **Xth. World Championships** in

St. Petersburg, Russia.

AUG - 28th. to 31st. - HCAC Haitian
open in Port au Prince.

SEP - 12th. - Nationals in Rio de
Janeiro, Brazil. 28th. - Puerto Rican
Nationals.

NOV - 2nd. - Irish Nationals. 22nd. -
Deutsche Meisterschaft (A+B Junioren)
in Marburg. 23rd. (Senioren).

DEC - 13th. & 14th. **EURO
JUNIOR** in Poland. Turkmeistan
Nationals.

1998

MAR - Irish open 14th. & 15th. in
Dublin.

OCT - 9th. to 12th. - *IVth. Junior
World Championships* in New Delhi,
India.

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**We remind you that for Continental
Championships you must have
written permission from the ITF.**

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OTHER EVENTS

1997

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PROMOTIONS

Many congratulations to those who
have been promoted.

1996

Vth. Degree

Mar. - 21st. - Mario Pons - Spain.

Vth. Degree

Oct. - 13th. - Kenneth Wheatley-
Ireland. (Due to an error this was
quoted as 4th. degree in last issue.)

Dec. - 7th. - John Evans - USA.

IVth. Degree

Sep. - 3rd. - Fetoui Kaled - Austria.

Oct. - 27th. - Mihaly Simo - Romania.

Nov. - 16th. - Jose Rosales ,Raul

Luciw- Argentina. 17th. - Gustavo

Frusin , Miguel Vives, Agustin

Muguerza , Carlos Frusin, Hector

Mengoni , Hugo Digiovani, Miguel

Quintana, Gabriel Cova , Jorge Zuger ,

Federico Pascual, Rafael Duarte

,Alberto Maidana - Argentina.

28th. - Victor Gutierrez - Argentina.

Dec. - 7th. - Carlos Martin-Spain.

Francisco Estigarribia - Argentina. Ed
Lubow , Stuart Detlefsen , Angela
Troxel , Tricia Fitzpatrick, Ikuko
Lubow - USA.

21st. - Roberto Leiva- Argentina.

1997

VIth. Degree

Apr. - 25th. - Earl Weiss - USA.

Vth. Degree

Mar. - 19th. - Fabian Pini - Argentina.

IVth. Degree

Jan. - 19th. - Paul Dahlen - USA.

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In order to encourage people to attend
seminars with Gen. Choi Hong Hi, on
a regular basis, it has ben decided to
give a **reduction to the waiting time.**

This is seperate from the 1 off
reduction of sixth months which is
currently allowed, but please note that
the two cannot be combined. If the 6
month reduction is claimed then a
further reduction cannot be claimed at
the same time. The extra reduction time
will be 1 month per year for 1 or more
seminars attended in that year. This
means that if a seminar(or more than
one) is attended in 1996 then 1 month
may be deducted from the waiting time.
If a seminar(or more than one) is
attended in 1997 then 2 months (1 for
1996 and 1 for 1997) may be deducted
from the waiting time.

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**There are now many master degrees
in the ITF but we advise that
gradings for promotions to 4th. Dan
and above, or seminars must ALL
HAVE ITF APPROVAL FIRST.**

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An ITF tie has long been awaited but
the plans are for two to be introduced.
The first will be a formal tie in dark
blue with the ITF badge and yellow,
blue and white stripe to reflect the
colours of the badge. The second will
be an informal tie and we submit some
suggestions. There is another suggestion
which we have no design for but it
would be on the lines of repetitive
figures which would be Gen. Choi
Hong Hi in the heavenly hands ready
position. This is the one which is
favoured. Should you have any other
designs then please submit them. The
ties are planned to be silk as we would
like a classy item. The costs will be a
little bit more.