



Newsletter

the AIBA Asian Boxing Confederation

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1. The 2009 ASBC Asian Elite Men's Boxing Championships Ended Up Successfully

The 2009 ASBC Asian Elite Men's Boxing Championships was held at Zhuhai, China, on June 7-13, 2009. In total, 119 boxers from 18 countries/regions in Asia completed 108 bouts. And 13 R/J's with different nationalities officiated in the Championships.

This edition of Asian Championships was the first major event held by ASBC since its establishment in 2008. It was also the highest-ranking boxing competition held in Asia after the 2008 Beijing Olympic Games, as nearly all Asian countries leading in boxing, including Thailand, Uzbekistan, Kazakhstan, Mongolia, India, China, etc, attended this big event.

Boxers from 13 participating teams shared 44 medals of 11 weight categories. China won 3 gold, 3 silvers and 2 bronzes, ranking first on the medal tally. Thailand, Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan won 2 gold respectively. India and Turkmenistan won 1 gold medal each. It is remarkable that Chinese Taipei won 2 bronzes and Lebanon 1 bronze, making their major historical breakthroughs at Asian Boxing Championships.

Two women boxing bouts were demonstrated on the finals day. Four women boxers from China and India competed splendidly. These two special bouts were a warm-up of the efforts for women boxing's involvement into the Olympic Family.

Among others, the competition venue, accommodation and transportation arrangements reached the Olympic standard and won participants' unanimous praise. Mr. Chang Jianping, ASBC President & AIBA Vice President, spoke highly of this edition of Asian Championships as "one of the best Asian Boxing Championships I've ever seen."



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2. The 2nd ASBC EC Bureau Meeting in 2009

The 2nd ASBC EC Bureau Meeting in 2009 was held during the Asian Boxing Championships. All 5 ASBC EC Bureau members attended the meeting and discussed key issues including ASBC member development, R/Js management, and selection of boxers to the training camp during the AIBA World Boxing Championships Milan etc.

3. R/J Management

ASBC HQs Office together with ASBC R/J Commission verified the grades of R/Js in Asia. Information of those R/Js, who did pass examinations but did not receive any certificates, was cross-checked before confirmed. During the Championships, corresponding certificates and badges were issued retroactively to those qualified R/Js.

4. TD Appointed for the Women Boxing Competition of the 3rd Asian Indoor Games Hanoi 2009

The 3rd Asian Indoor Games Women Boxing Competition will be held at Hanoi, Vietnam, from October 31 to November 4. Mrs. Nieva Embuldeniya, Chairman of ASBC Women Commission, was appointed as the TD for the competition.

5. Training Camp during the 2009 AIBA World Boxing Championships Milan

A training camp will be held during the 2009 AIBA World Boxing Championships Milan. To improve boxing in under-developed countries, AIBA will cover nearly all expense of selected boxers from these countries to the training camp. In Asia, totally 26 boxers and 5 coaches from the 17 federations targeted and selected by AIBA will participate in the training camp. At present, the participant selection draws a close.

6. Suspension of Korean Amateur Boxing Association

According to AIBA's notice on May 27, Korean Amateur Boxing Association (KBA) was suspended in full suspension conditions. No ASBC members are allowed to send invitations to KBA or accepted its invitation to the competitions or even keep contact with KBA until the suspension is lifted by AIBA.



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7. ASBC Member Development

ASBC has always made efforts in its member development. At the beginning of its establishment, nearly half of the 44 ASBC members were inactive. Some of them never participated in any boxing events held in Asia, or any ASBC conferences or never paid off their dues. Through ASBC's unremitting efforts, more than 30 NFs now are keeping contact with ASBC Headquarters Office. ASBC will continue to strengthen communication with its inactive members and urge them to participate in ASBC competitions and activities, fulfill its obligations as an ASBC member. Meanwhile, ASBC will provide various supports to these members to improve their boxing levels.

8. The 2009 ASBC Extraordinary General Assembly at Sanya, China

The 2009 ASBC Extraordinary General Assembly was held at Sanya, China, in January 2009. This was the first Extraordinary General Assembly after its establishment. At this assembly, ASBC President delivered the annual report of 2008, new ASBC Executive Committee was established, and new ASBC constitution and ASBC Budget of 2009 were passed. The AIBA President Dr. Ching-Kuo Wu, who observed the conference, praised highly the Extraordinary General Assembly.