

Report on the preparation of the 17th World Xiangqi Championship

All WXF Executive Committee members and all Association members:

With the active efforts and preparation of the East Malaysia Xiangqi Association, the 17th World Xiangqi Championship scheduled for 23-29 October 2022 will be held in Kuching, East Malaysia. During the Championship, the second meeting of the 8th Executive Committee will take place on the 24th and 25th of October.

Despite the outbreak of the Covid pandemic in 2020, the East Malaysia Xiangqi Association has worked hard to facilitate the official holding of the 17th World Xiangqi Championship. They have actively promoted the Championship's influence by raising the prize money and organizing the World Blitz Xiangqi Open. The pandemic's far-reaching effects forced most international competitions to be stopped or postponed. With this in mind, the efforts of the East Malaysia Xiangqi Association are especially commendable. Indeed, the 17th World Xiangqi Championship will be an inspirational event in the history of Xiangqi.

The organizing committee has done an excellent job of preparing for the event. The following is a timetable of the event and some of its details for the World Championship. The relevant material has been reported to the Executive Committee.

1. Competition date: (see Appendix 1 for details)

The evening of October 23 (opening ceremony);

October 24-28 (World Championship);

October 29 (Competition date for the first World Blitz Xiangqi Open);

The evening of October 29 (closing ceremony);

2. Entry quota for each unit:

(1) 2 male players. The number of female players has been increased from 1 to 2, and there are no limits to the number of NCVN players;

(2) 4 players for the junior categories U16, U12 men and women;

3. Prize and subsidies:

(1) Prizes:

The total prize money of the World Championship has increased from the original 30,000 US dollars to 50,000 US dollars; a Junior category bonus will be added; An additional \$20,000 will be added to the World Blitz Xiangqi Open. For prize distribution, see Appendix 2.

(2) Subsidies: According to the decision made at the 2nd meeting of the 7th Executive Committee of the World Xiangqi Federation, starting from the 17th Championship, the rankings of NCNV players will no longer be listed separately. The organizing committee subsidizes 3 NCNV players of each association; they will receive free board and lodging for three days (refer to the twin room standard);

4. All players of the World Championship can voluntarily register to participate in the World Blitz Xiangqi Open.

After further confirmation of the content mentioned above, the Secretariat will issue official competition regulations, and all member associations are welcome to register for the Championship. For other suggestions, please mail before May 16 to: wxiangqifs@126.com.

Thank you all for your support and attention! Stay healthy!

Appendix:

1. Time Schedule

2. Prize Money Distribution

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Appendix 1:

Time Schedule

Date	Time	Event
Oct. 22, Sat.	Check-in	
Oct. 23, Sun.	08:00-18:30	Check-in
	19:00-22:00	Opening Ceremony & Dinner
	22:30	Draw for the team leader meeting
Oct. 24, Mon.	09:00-11:00	WXF Executive Committee Meeting
	09:00-13:00	The first round
	14:30-18:30	The second round
Oct. 25, Tue.	09:00-11:00	WXF Executive Committee Meeting
	09:00-13:00	The third round
	14:30-18:30	The fourth round
Oct. 26, Wed.	09:00-13:00	The fifth round
	14:30-18:30	The sixth round
Oct. 27, Thu.	09:00-13:00	The seventh round
	14:30-18:30	The eighth round
Oct. 28, Fri.	09:00-13:00	Finals & The ninth round
	Free time	
Oct. 29, Sat.	09:00-17:00	World Blitz Xiangqi Open
	19:00-22:30	Closing Ceremony & Dinner
Oct. 30, Sun.	Check-out	

Appendix 2:

Prize Money Distribution

Rank	Men's Individual	Women's Individual	U16 Men Individual	U16 Women Individual	U12 Men Individual	U12 Women Individual	World Blitz Xiangqi Open
Champion	8000	3000	1500	1500	1200	1200	5000
Runner-up	5000	2000	1200	1200	900	900	3000
3 rd place	3000	1200	800	800	700	700	2000
4 th place	1500	1000	700	700	600	600	1500
5 th place	1200	800	500	500	500	500	1000
6 th place	1000	500	400	400	400	400	800
7 th place	800	300	300	300	300	300	800
8 th place	500	200	200	200	200	200	800
9-11 th place							700
12-14 th place							600
15-18 th place							300
Total	21000	9000	5600	5600	4400	4400	20000