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A warm and special welcome to all new ICTF members and thanks to all of you who worked hard and contributed to the growth of the ICTF.

Despite some challenging moments this past year, including a change of officers during the mid year, many positive events took place for the enjoyment of all concerned.

There were several successful tournaments this past year and several well-attended seminars including one for all the Master Instructors in order to be able to pass on knowledge in a more consistent way. We look forward to any suggestions as to how to make your organization better, so feel free to contact any one of us at your convenience.

We are still working on adding value to your ID cards and hope to announce something soon but meanwhile take advantage of the up coming contest as the prizes will be really worthwhile. Several of our ideas are being copied by others which show we are on the right track but we are the only ones who have reduced the waiting time for students over 45 and are the only ones allowing our members to belong to and participate with other groups.

There will be a week long summer camp hosted by Yom Chi, June 3-7, 2007, open to all ranks and ages on a first-come first-served basis. If you wish to put the fun back into your training, this is an event not to be missed. Visit ictf.info for more information.

The 2007 World Cup will be held October 19-20-21 in Edmonton Canada. This will be a prestigious competition and the first time it will be open to Color Belts to compete in patterns, sparring, breaking and team competition at a world class level. Hope all Black Belts and Color Belts will join in this event as it is a first of its kind especially for Color Belts, from 6 years old and up, to be crowned Black Belt or Color Belt World Cup Champion. Please check the web site

for further details. This tournament is open to all Ch'ang Hon practitioners regardless of affiliation. The annual ICTF- AGM will also take place at this time.

January begins the membership registration drive with new fees for instructors who have their own schools. The new yearly instructor fees will entitle the instructor to vote at AGMs as well as place his name for a special drawing and will qualify their students for their own quarterly contest drawing.

We hope more of you participate in sending your school events to be posted on the web site as well as send it in to Taekwon Do Times magazine and hope more seminars will be scheduled by instructor's choice rather than by the Federation. We hope soon to be able to send a Master Instructor, free of any expenses to the host, to those who qualify, so don't wait to sign up.

Please note that there will be an Executive Committee Meeting, Masters Seminar and Umpire Certification to be held in Miami, Florida March 30th, with expenses paid for Master Instructors by the ICTF. Hope to see you all there. Happy Holidays to all and look forward to a more prosperous 2007.

We are all looking forward to a bright and fun future together. Thanks for all your support and feel free to contact any one of us with your suggestions.

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"Keep up, move ahead, or get out of the way"