

BULLETIN IMAF-EUROPE 2021-2

LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT, Ir GEOFF BENOY m.o.s.

Hoboken, June 15th 2021

Dear All,

As the summer season starts to get underway, so does the search for those exciting experience and escapists retreats!

With the warmer weather and relaxation of government guidelines regarding Covid-19, there is certainly a sense of renewal spirit and freedom in the air.

We had many request about organizing online seminars and tournaments, since physical events are in some countries allowed (limited) as we have seen in Russia and other G.O.S. countries, then others have more possibilities about open air events with less limitations such as Romania and Poland, the most member countries in the EU have not at all that luck!

Indeed, travel limitations to and from so called "Red Zones" and then the quarantine obligations made us abandon most of our nice plans. Imagine living close to a National Border and have a beer at the other side of the boundary, upon return you are obliged to lock

up yourself for 5 days due of the rules, full vaccination or not... You must agree with me, no fun at all!

But remember, it is NOT the task of IMAFE to organize any event, neither digital nor physical, that is up to the Member Countries.

They put a request to the DBE (European Daily Board) for themselves organizing a European event, the DBE studies it (there are rules to follow and one event should not interfere with another) and eventually gave their Go for it.

All the other events are private and so allowed, but not expected to be in the name of IMAFE.

However we are enthusiast about having such outstanding propositions and deeds as by IMAF Ireland, that were fully under the IMAFE Flag!

The whole of the DBE wishes you a more free, pleasant, and fruitful summertime and remember, after rains there is always sunshine.

With pleasant greetings, stay safe and Ossu!

ir Geoff M. Benoy m.o.s.

President IMAFE

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We do what we can!

First meeting of the Daily Board

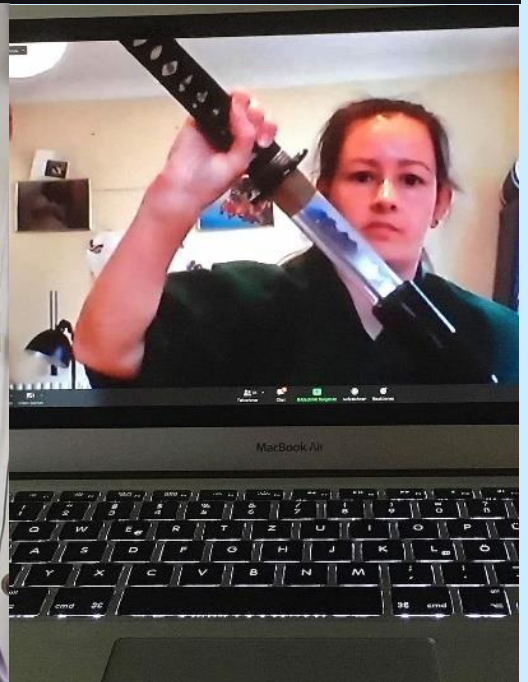


Saturday, 26 June 2021. Finally getting together after a long time. It was great to meet old friends and despite the difficulties that occurred to all of us we were ready to stay on top of the interests of IMAF-Europe.

There was much to discuss. The steps we are going to take to reconnect with our members. The transfer of

all IMAF-Europe items to the Treasurer. From now on you can order your passports, badges, pins, ties, certificates directly from his office. How to come to a solution now that we cannot offer technical seminars. We are happy that we can welcome Jens in our midst not only as Commissioner but also as our Ambassador.

Activities from the IMAF Europe News group



While the situation around corona is developing rapidly to normal (while writing this article, the situation in Europe is now that many countries are in code orange and Malta is the first country with code green.

We are planning to go back to normal as soon as we can and as soon the international authorities will let us.

In the meantime, the organization of online trainings via the IMAF Europe News group continues.

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From top left to bottom right:

Secret Sensei Session with Vicky, Kjell & Jens Fricke from Germany. Breathing exercises and technical drills for Kumite and competition. (Picture showing Kjell and Vicky)

Impressions from the IMAF Female Instructor's Training Day. Live via Zoom.

Lyn Cathrin Donelly (Balance & Stretching), Vicky Fricke (Shotokan), Katarzyna Milek-Wisniewska (Sword) and Claudia Cardoso-Manuel (Kickboxing).

Stay safe, stay focused and stay tuned!

Item Poland – activities kids Jujutsu

What gives more joy than workout and train with children?

Children were the first to start training. Week after week the limitations for are becoming less and less. From children until 12 years of age to 12-18, seniors.

Back to the new normal. Still limited but we are finally getting somewhere.

Look at their faces and watch the commitment of the teachers.



IMAF-Russia – competition

Article from ir Geoff M. Benoy m.o.s., President IMAFE/ CEO IMAF Russia

We recently had had the annual Junior Spring Tournament named “IMAF Europe in Russia”. Traditionally organized by “Klub Vostotshnykh Boyevikh Iskustw” or translated “Eastern Martial Arts Club” run by President IMAF Russia Sergey Krutikov 6th Dan Shotokan Karate Do. This club has in the meantime the Honbu Dojo of IMAF Russia/ Moscow and controlled by Oleg Tetera who has an office in the same location.

Date of the event was Sunday, April 18th in the “Iron Road College” Sports Hall, Moscow.

P.S.: This College “Iron Road” is for students future engineers for repairs, maintenance, train drivers, etc. On the outside many educative stuff such as trains, tracks, parts, engines, machines; almost like an open-air museum!

Special about the Russian International Trains is that they modify the track wheels from Russian to

European standard when passing the border and leaving Russia. Russian tracks are much wider and more comfortable. Trains are swapped, the wagons have the wheels and base rather quickly changed. We have now the Transeuropean Express who runs from Paris to Vladivostok in the Far East, 12.000km, and back, single voyage takes about one week.

Krutikov Sergey was Chief Judge. Other judges were Sergey Labunko, Bogin Igor, Mamay Stanislav, Aivazian Artyom, ...

Assistant Organization was Tetera Oleg, M.D. on Duty Dr. Peresadtshenko Vladimir.

About 87 young participants of different IMAF Moscow schools, their trainers and their relatives were present.

Participating clubs:

1. Klub Vostotshnykh Boyevikh Iskustw (Moscow)
2. Shkola (Malakhovka)
3. Prjedjel (Moscow)
4. Ictok (Moscow)
5. Tornado (Moscow)
6. Bars (Moscow)
7. Skorpion (Noginsk)

Team results on total points system (kumite + kata):

1st Place "Shkola"

2nd Place "Istok"

3rd Place "Klub Vostotshnykh Boyevikh Iskustw"

About individual results I did not manage to get information since start June their summer holidays started and the responsible organizer Oleg Tetera is at the Crimea on summer camp with his club.

As you can see on the photographs, nobody wears a mask; they started vaccinations last year October!

We know we were not able to travel, but those sportspeople could, and meet as well. They are more than one step before us in attacking the epidemic.

Kindest regards,



IMAF-Romania – open air training in Romania.



Open air training in village south of the city of Tirgu Jiu.

You must be a daring and ambitious trainer to organize an open-air training with about 90 participants.

The pictures are from March 2021. Now, there is even more possible. Baluta Sensei is also active on organizing online competitions in Karate

IMAF-Kazakhstan – CJJIF championships



The development of an IMAF-Europa in Kazakhstan country started in 2015. At that time IMAF-Europe was already associated with the Combat Ju Jitsu International Federation. From that starting point Kazakhstan became a candidate member under the leadership of Mr Kanat Tleumbetov.

His son, Yerlan Tleumbetov, is successful in competition: six-time world champion in Asia, European Champion, Two-time World Cup winner, winner of the World Martial Arts Games. Proud father Kanat Tleumbetov, President of the Association of Combat Ju-Jutsu of Kazakhstan.



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Simion Baluta Shihan from IMAF-Romania is eager to organize an online competition.

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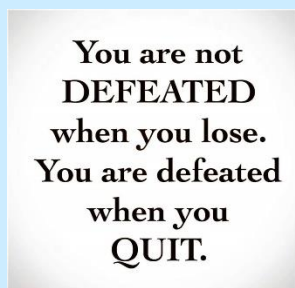
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