

WFDF NEWS

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BILL WRIGHT NEW PRESIDENT OF WFDF

I would like introduce myself to those who do not already know my past involvement in disc sports. I formally offered my services as president of the World Flying disc Federation in August of 1994.

My qualifications for this post include a long involvement with all aspects of disc sports including world championship level competition in freestyle, overall play and ultimate. I have served as the head of the F.P.A. for many years in the past and I have been chair of the W.F.D.F. freestyle committee since it's inception. Promotionally, over the last ten years, I have been responsible for the development and execution of major events in overall play, freestyle and ultimate.

My business, The Wright Life in Ft. Collins, Colorado has given me an excellent opportunity to develop good working relationships with all of the major disc manufacturers as well as other potential sponsors.

A primary goal of mine would be to establish new major sponsors for the sport and to establish a working relationship towards more national and international television exposure. The Wright Life also serves as an effective organization center with full-time staff and business features including phone reception (+1-303-484-6932), fax (+1-303-490-2714) and email (bwright@pr1.k12.co.us)

I have always felt that W.F.D.F. is a vital part of the healthy development of disc sports. I am eager to help further the advances that have already been made and I am proud to serve as our president.

Bill Wright

WFDF 1995 Congress

You are invited to participate in the **1995 WFDF Congress**.

The meeting will be held during the **World Ultimate Club Championships** in **Millfield, England**. The tournament is scheduled for the last week of July 1995.

Exact time of the Congress is to be decided but it will be one evening of the week of the tournament.

More material will be mailed later. If you have motions for the Congress, send the to WFDF.

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World Flying Disc Federation Minutes of the The Tenth Annual Congress Colchester, England, August 20, 1994

I. INTRODUCTION

A. Opening: In the absence of WFDF President **Robert Rauch**, whose arrival from Sao Paolo was delayed due to travel problems, the Tenth World Flying Disc Federation Congress was opened at approximately 12:00 noon by Team Disc Sports Committee Chair **Juha Jalovaara**. Mr. Jalovaara briefly spoke about the purpose of WFDF, as outlined in the bylaws of the WFDF.

B. Meeting Organization: Mr. Rauch was elected as chairman of the Congress, with Mr. Jalovaara filling in until his arrival, and **Thomas Griesbaum** of Germany was elected secretary.

C. Voting Members: In accordance with the WFDF policy that each member has to pay its WFDF dues before the Congress, the following associations were eligible to receive one vote: Belgium, Canada, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, Free-style Players Association (FPA), Germany, Holland, Italy, Japan, Mexico, New Zealand, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan R.O.C., United Kingdom, Ultimate Players Association (UPA), United States Disc Sports (USDS). Dues were expected from Australia, Austria, and France, but had not been paid before the meeting.

The following voting members were in attendance when the Congress was opened: Belgium, Denmark, Finland, Germany, Japan, Sweden,

Taiwan R.O.C., and the United Kingdom. Holland, Italy, New Zealand, Switzerland, the UPA and USDS arrived shortly after the commencement of the Congress. The Guts Players Association (GPA) was represented as a non-voting attendee.

II. ORGANIZATIONAL ISSUES

A. Bylaws: Mr. Jalovaara talked briefly about the reasons for the redrafting of the WFDF Bylaws and the advantages achieved. They were affirmed by the Congress unanimously without further discussion.

B. Operating Procedures: The Congress read through the Operating Procedures approved by the Board since the 1993 WFDF Congress and Mr. Jalovaara answered questions brought forward. **Carlo Giuliani** asked about the structure of the Team Disc Sports Committee (TDSC). It heads the Guts Committee and the Ultimate Committee and currently the Chairman of the Ultimate Committee is also the Chair of the TDSC. **Fumio Morooka** mentioned the lack of information passed on about Guts through the TDSC Chairman. Mr. Jalovaara said that he and the Chairman of the Guts Committee (**Lige Johnson**) had agreed to have all Guts related communication go through the latter. Mr. Morooka suggested that the Operating Procedures regarding the submission and approval of tournament bids require that all bids first be submitted to the chairperson of the respective committee before being sent to the WFDF Secretary. After a short discussion, the following motion was made:

That future bids for the WFDF World Ultimate and Guts Championship (WUGC) and WFDF World Ultimate Club Championship (WUCC) are to be submitted to both the TDSC Chair and the WFDF Secretary, and that bids for the WFDF World Overall Championship (WOC) are to be submitted

to the Individual Disc Sports Committee (IDSC) Chair and the WFDF Secretary.

The motion was approved unanimously. A motion was then made to approve the Operating Procedures, as amended by the previous motion, the text of which are as follows:

1994.01: Membership Application: In applying for Regular, Organizational or Associate Membership in WFDF, a prospective member association must provide, not less than three months prior to the Annual Congress in which their membership application is to be reviewed, the following information to the WFDF Secretary:

a. A copy of its Bylaws/Statutes, with a translation into English; b. A list of all board members and officers, with addresses, telephone and fax numbers; c. A listing of the number of players represented by the organization; d. A description of activities of the organization in the previous year and objectives for the coming year; and e. The appropriate dues amount for the class of membership being considered.

Membership can only be considered once per year at the Annual Congress by its voting members.

In applying for Provisional Membership in WFDF, a prospective member association must provide the following information to the WFDF Secretary:

a. A copy of its Bylaws/Statutes (if any), with a translation into English; b. A list of all board members and officers (or at least one primary contact person), with addresses, telephone and fax numbers; c. A listing of the number of players represented by the organization; d. A description of activities of the organization in the previous year and objectives for the coming year.

Provisional membership can be considered at any time by the Board.

1994.02: Sanctioned Tournaments Currently, WFDF officially sanctions three World Championships:

a. WFDF World Ultimate and Guts Championship (WUGC); b. WFDF World Overall Championship (WOC); and c. WFDF World Ultimate Club Championship (WUCC).

The WUGC shall be held biannually during each year ending in an even number. The WOC and WUCC shall be held biannually during each year ending in an odd number. The WUGC and WUCC shall be administered on a day-to-day basis within WFDF by the Team Disc Sports Committee and the WOC shall be administered on a day-to-day basis within WFDF by the Individual Disc Sports Committee.

1994.03: Participation in Sanctioned Tournaments The following rules are in effect for governing participation in officially sanctioned WFDF World Championships:

a. A team or individual intending to participate in an officially sanctioned WFDF World Championship must belong to a member association in "good standing." A member association will be considered in good standing if it has paid its membership fees as established by the Congress and fulfilled all its other obligations to WFDF as established by the Board or the Congress. b. For the purposes of defining the rules governing participation, the affiliation of a team or individual must be with a regular or associate member, and may not be solely with an organizational member. An individual or team affiliated with a provisional member may participate only once in a WFDF sanctioned tournament, after which further participation will only be permitted if the association upgrades to at least associate member status. c. All participants must abide by the tournament's administrative rules as established by the tournament organizer, in accordance with the guidelines established by

WFDF, including rules relating to the payment of tournament fees and other charges.

1994.04: Awarding of Sanctioned Tournament Mandates a. Under normal circumstances, written bids to host WFDF sanctioned tournaments should be submitted no later than two and no earlier than three years before an event. Bids for WUGC and WUCC are to be submitted to both the Team Disc Sports Committee (TDSC) Chair and the WFDF Secretary, and bids for WOC are to be submitted to the Individual Disc Sports Committee (IDSC) Chair and the WFDF Secretary. The format for submitting a bid is available on WFDF's "Request for Proposal" ("RFP") form, which lists the issues to be addressed in the preparation of a bid. All sanctioned tournaments must be played according to the current WFDF Rules. If the organizer of a championship wishes to modify the tournament protocol rules, such modifications must be highlighted in the tournament bid initially sent to WFDF. b. Responsibility for actively soliciting bids will lie with the WFDF Team Disc Sports Committee and the Individual Disc Sports Committee, respectively, which will also provide the preliminary bid review. c. Bids for the respective Championships will be reviewed at the Annual WFDF Congress two years prior to each event, whenever possible. d. In case no suitable bid is received two years in advance of a Congress, the relevant Committee chairperson will be responsible to report to the Board on a quarterly basis the progress being made in identifying a tournament organizer and site. If no bids are received one year prior to an event, the Congress -- upon recommendation of the Board -- may vote to cancel the event for that upcoming year or shall otherwise advise the Board on a course of action.

1994.05: Recognition of World Re-

ords a. WFDF shall officially recognize World Records in the following events: Accuracy, Distance, Maximum Time Aloft (MTA), and Throw, Run and Catch (TRC). WFDF shall officially recognize World Records for these events in the following divisions: Open, Women, Juniors (18 years old and younger), Under 12, Masters (35-44), Grand Masters (45-54), Senior Grand Masters (55-64), and Legends (65 and older). The age limit for records is calculated by day of birth. b. In order for a record to be valid, it must be achieved at an international tournament sanctioned by WFDF, at a national tournament sanctioned by a member nation, or at a European tournament sanctioned by the European Flying Disc Federation (EFDF). The current WFDF Rules must have been used at the event. A new record must be reported to the WFDF Secretary as soon as practicable using the WFDF Flying Disc World Record Report Form, which must be completely filled out and accompanied by evidence that the tournament was properly organized or sanctioned. c. The WFDF Individual Disc Sports Committee shall designate an individual or organization to compile all such records and maintain an updated listing with the WFDF Secretary. The Secretary shall publish and distribute lists of the standing world records to all member associations not less than once each year. d. If the WFDF Board, or the committee designated by the Board to review new world records, does not accept the submission of a new record, the national association to which the player belongs may appeal to the Congress directly at the next annual meeting to have the record reconsidered. d. If any member association disagrees with any new record, it may appeal to the Congress directly at the next annual meeting to have the record struck down.

The Operating Procedures were approved unanimously.

C. Board Resolutions: Mr. Jalovaara read the Board Resolutions which had been approved since the previous Congress to the attendants, the text of which are as follows.

March 12, 1994: Approval of Bylaws As per the vote of the attendees at the 1993 Annual Congress, a revised draft of the proposed Bylaws of WFDF was sent to all members in the fall of 1993. The Board affirms that a vote of the full membership was taken in accordance with the agreed upon procedures. A total of eighteen member associations responded, with all votes supporting the adoption of the new Bylaws. In confirmation of this vote, the Board affirms that the draft of the Bylaws so presented be adopted by the corporation.

March 12, 1994: Official Language The official language for the transaction of business, discussions during meetings, and for communication about play-related matters during sanctioned tournaments, shall be English.

March 12, 1994: Banking Relations The Treasurer and/or President are empowered to establish relations with one or more financial institutions and to engage in the transaction of regular banking business on behalf of the corporation. Such activities include the establishment of a checking or savings account, the making of deposits, writing of checks and making other payments through wire transfer or cable. For payments under USD 1,000.00 or for payments in excess of USD 1,000.00 which were outlined under the budget approved at the annual Congress, either the Treasurer or President may singly sign a check or instruct a wire transfer. For payments in excess of USD 1,000.00 which were not included under the budget approved at the annual Congress, payments may only be directed with the joint signature of both the Treasurer and President or after approval of the Board.

March 12, 1994: Definition of Members The previous WFDF Statutes do not define "membership" very specifically. As a result, there are some ambiguous listing in our files as to whom properly represents national interests and, therefore, is the official member of WFDF. Among our larger members, both the UK and Canada fall into this category. Among our provisional members, there is even greater confusion, with multiple contact persons in countries such as Russia, Brazil and Spain.

In order to clarify this membership situation, the more stringent membership criteria outlined in the Operating Procedures will be introduced after approval in the next Congress. In order to facilitate a smooth transition, the board resolves to establish a working group to contact each member association before the Congress to ascertain their status and work with them to gather the material required for formal membership under the new requirements. The report of this working group is due June 10, 1994.

March 12, 1994: Membership Dues As per the vote at the Annual Congress on July 24, 1993, annual dues and fees for 1994 are as follows:

Dues: Regular Members CHF 150
Dues: Organizational Members CHF 150
Dues: Associate Members CHF 150
Dues: Provisional Members CHF 0
Tournament Sanctioning Fee: CHF 12 per participant

Invoices for 1994 annual dues were sent no later than December 31, 1993. All dues payments must be received prior to March 31, 1994. Payments made in US dollars or Swedish krone should be converted at the going exchange rate on date of payment and must be received in the full amount after netting out exchange rate agio or transactions fees. In 1994, Members making dues payments no later than the beginning of the Annual Congress will still be

eligible to vote at the Congress and will be considered to be in "good standing." No team will be able to participate in the 1994 World Ultimate and Guts Championship unless the member association which it represents is in good standing.

For 1995, the Board recommends the following schedule of annual dues and fees:

Dues: Regular Members CHF 150
Dues: Organizational Members CHF 150
Dues: Associate Members CHF 75
Dues: Provisional Members CHF 0
Dues: Late Fee CHF 25
Tournament Sanctioning Fee: CHF 12 per participant

Invoices for 1995 annual dues will be sent no later than December 31, 1994. All dues payments must be received prior to March 31, 1995. Payments made in US dollars or Swedish krone should be converted at the going exchange rate on date of payment and must be received in the full amount after netting out exchange rate agio or transactions fees. Members making dues payments after March 31, 1995 will be assessed an additional charge of CHF 25. The total dues payment along with late fee must be paid no later than the earlier of (a) the beginning of the 1995 WFDF Annual Congress or (b) the beginning of the 1995 World Ultimate Club Championship or the 1995 World Overall Championship, whichever is relevant, for a member to be considered in "good standing." No team or individual will be able to participate in the 1995 World Ultimate Club Championship or the 1995 World Overall Championship, respectively, unless the member association which they represent is in good standing.

March 12, 1994: Dissolution of the Corporation WFDF can only be dissolved by affirmative resolution of a two-thirds majority of attendees at two consecutive Congresses, one of which must be a regular annual Congress. There must be a period of

at least six months between the two votes. If WFDF is dissolved, the net assets shall be donated to the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF), or its successor.

There was no discussion and the Board's resolutions were acknowledged by the members of the Congress.

D. Membership Status: Mr. Rauch explained the criteria for the newly adopted membership classes: *Provisional Member:* Typically an association with a young disc sports program and a loose association with small membership and few resources. It will be put on the WFDF mailing list but has no voting rights and limited playing rights. *Associate Member:* An association with too few members or resources to maintain full member status. It has voting rights only on play related matters, not on business related matters, but full playing rights. *Full Member:* An association which has an established program and bylaws and which has sufficient membership and resources to maintain full member status. It has full voting and playing rights. *Organisational Member:* An association which represents one of the disc sports approved by WFDF. There may only be one organizational member per disc sport. It has full voting rights but individuals or teams affiliated solely with such associations have no playing rights.

The WFDF Board began in the spring a membership questionnaire to determine the status of the current members. Not all members have yet to respond. Members will be asked to submit organizational documents for WFDF review and designate the appropriate membership class status when paying the upcoming 1995 dues.

Mr. Rauch informed the Congress that the Czech Republic and Mexico applied formally for full membership and, after review of the applica-

tions, he fully recommended approval. The Congress approved these applications unanimously.

E. Administrative Issues: WFDF was legally incorporated in Colorado USA as of January 1994. The decision to incorporate in the USA was made given the potential problems of legal liability issues, and only after a formal legal review by the law firm Holland & Hart of the regulations and treatment in, not only the USA, but also Finland, Sweden and Switzerland. WFDF has applied with the Internal Revenue Service of the USA (the taxing authority) for recognition as a not-for-profit corporation under Section 501(c)(3) of the USA tax code. This would exempt WFDF from any tax liabilities on its revenues and would permit certain beneficial tax treatment to entities donating funds to WFDF. The response should be received by year end and any ruling will be applied retroactively.

III. ELECTIONS

The following candidates were elected unanimously: A. President: **Bill Wright** (USA) B. Treasurer: **Johan Lindgren** (Sweden) C. Ultimate Committee Chairperson: **Charlie Mead** (UK) D. Guts Committee Chair: **Lige Johnson** (USA) E. TDSC Chair: **Charlie Mead** (UK) F. Board Members: **Bill Wright** (USA), **Charlie Mead** (UK), **Tami Pellicane** (USA) G. Deputy Board Member: **Robert Rauch** (USA) H. Auditors: **Peter Lundmark** and **Hasse Skildren** (Sweden) I. Rules Committee Chair: **Dan Roddick** (USA)

Mr. Rauch proposed that the term of the Auditors should correspond with the fiscal year of the organization, which happens to be a calendar year. The terms of all other positions within WFDF begin and end with the date of the annual Congress. Accordingly, the term of office for **Peter Lundmark** and **Hasse Skildren** will cover both the 1994

and 1995 financial statements. A vote will be taken in the 1995 Congress for new auditors, whose term of office will begin January 1, 1996.

Johan Lindgren has requested that a new position of Newsletter Editor be established in order to relieve some of the burden he has shouldered as both Secretary and Treasurer. The members of the Congress support the establishment of the position and leave it to the Board to identify and select the appropriate individual.

Mr. Jalovaara proposed the establishment of a Safety Officer for all WFDF events. There are safety risks involved in playing disc sports for players and spectators as well, and subsequently liability issues can arise. There is a need to appoint a person to work along with the local tournament organizers, who is nonetheless independent of the players and the organisers, who has the responsibility to oversee safety related matters involving an event, and who ultimately has the power to even stop a tournament in case of a problem arising (e.g. a lightning storm). The following proposal was made:

Operating Procedure 1994.06: Designation of an Event Safety Officer Each of the Team Disc Sports Committee (TDSC) and Individual Disc Sports Committee (IDSC) are to designate a Safety Officer to oversee safety related issues at all WFDF sanctioned tournaments and events. The Safety Officer is to work along with the local tournament organizers and shall have the responsibility to oversee safety related matters involving all sanctioned events. The Safety Officer shall remain independent from the tournament organizers and the players and shall have the final decision regarding all matters involving the safety of event participants, staff, or spectators. Prior to an event, the decisions of the Safety Officer shall be com-

municated directly to either the TDSC or IDSC, as appropriate. During an event, the decisions of the Safety Officer shall communicated directly to the members of the Tournament Rules Group.

The proposal was approved unanimously.

IV. FINANCIAL MATTERS

A. Review of 1993 Financial Statements and the Auditors Report: Mr. Rauch briefly discussed the 1993 Financial Statements and the Auditors Report as presented in the Briefing Book for the Congress (see attached). There were no questions by the Delegates.

B. Freedom from Responsibility: The Congress members agreed unanimously that the board was to be given freedom from responsibility for the past year's activities.

C. Review of 1994 Financial Results Year-to-Date: The 1994 Results of the Year to Date were briefly discussed. There were no questions by the Delegates.

D. Membership Dues for 1995: The 1995 dues as proposed by the board include a membership fee reduction for Associate Members as well as a Late Fee for dues received after March 31st of each year. The new dues structure was accepted unanimously.

E. Budget: The budget for 1995 was accepted unanimously.

F. Sponsorship: Mr. Rauch recapped the revenues generated through the sponsorship of Wham-O and Discraft over the last three years and how it was spent. A major income source has been generated through the designation of an "official disc" for Ultimate. The process has been changed as of earlier this year such that there is now a list of "approved discs" for Ultimate. Any manufacturer of an approved disc may be considered for sponsorship of a specific event or project.

G. Grant Received: The Madison Ultimate Frisbee Association (MUFA) has donated USD 5,000 to WFDF as a perpetual fund for use as seed money for future organizers of World Ultimate Club Championships. A short agreement with the terms of the donation has been signed between MUFA and WFDF.

V. GAISF AND WORLD GAMES

A. WFDF Involvement in GAISF: Mr. Rauch provided an update of the status of WFDF's membership in GAISF.

WFDF was approved as a provisional member of GAISF in 1987. We have paid our annual dues every year. We have attended the annual Congress only occasionally and have otherwise been somewhat inactive. In 1993 the Board decided to become more involved and sent former board member Seppo Nieminen of Finland to the GAISF Congress in Lahti Finland in October 1993.

In that meeting, WFDF was considered for an upgrade to full membership in GAISF. However, the GAISF board decided not to vote on the upgrading of WFDF's status, as it was noted in the minutes that the Board did not have sufficient knowledge of the activities of WFDF. They requested additional information from us. At that time, the WFDF board decided that the best way for WFDF to proceed was first to get the organizational, administrative, and public relations aspects of the federation in order before submitting an update to the GAISF Board. Accordingly, over the last year, we have updated the WFDF Bylaws, legally incorporated the federation in Colorado, applied for formal non-profit status under US tax law [under Section 501(c)(3)], and put together the WFDF brochure.

In April 1994, the GAISF Board met and noted in their minutes that, having not received additional infor-

mation as of that date from us, they would not be considering an upgrade in status for WFDF in 1994. Mr. Rauch proposed that he would prepare a package of supporting information along with a formal request for consideration for an upgrade to Full Membership in GAISF to all members of the GAISF Board before the 1994 General Assembly for consideration in 1995.

It has been determined that WFDF board member **Fumio Morooka** will attend the 1994 GAISF General Assembly which will be held in Monaco in October.

B. Involvement in IWGA: There has been a disc sport demonstration in each of the last two World Games: in Karlsruhe Germany in 1989 and in The Hague, Netherlands in 1993. The next event in in South Africa in 1997. Mr. Rauch spoke with the International World Games Association president earlier this year regarding membership. He stated that WFDF should begin the membership application process by sending IWGA a copy of the materials that are sent to GAISF. **Mikael Norr** of Sweden noted that he felt that WFDF needed to identify an appropriate way to participate in the World Games, given the nature of the event.

C. GAISF Principles: Mr. Rauch presented to the Congress two principles which were approved by the GAISF Council Members. These were: the Prevention and Fight Against Doping in Sport; and the Court of Arbitration for Sport and the creation of the International Council of Arbitration for Sport. All GAISF members have been asked to inform GAISF Headquarters if they would approve these principles. Mr. Rauch has already sent a reply saying that, while WFDF supports the spirit of the resolutions, WFDF does not have the resources to do doping tests. It was noted that both the Finnish and

Swedish Associations are already under this doping control as they are formal members of their national sports associations. There was a short discussion on the list of restricted drugs provided by GAISF. The Congress decided, with 11 yes votes and 2 abstentions, to approve the two principles, subject to the caveat that our organization does not currently have the financial resources to actively undertake drug testing.

VI. COMMUNICATION

A. WFDF Newsletter: The mailing list for the WFDF Newsletter now includes approximately 200 addresses. WFDF is still looking to get interested people on the list. WFDF also needs feedback about what should be in the Newsletter.

B. WFDF Bulletin Board: Johan Lindgren has a BBS running with WFDF forums, schedules, addresses and other files of interest. He is looking into a way to make it accessible via the Internet.

C. E-Mail Communication: All board members are on e-mail and this move has improved communication considerably. The Usenet news group "rec.sport.disc" is a general source of information and a place where WFDF can show its presence. Gary Jarvis (NZ) suggested that WFDF pass on more of its information not only in printed form but through e-mail as well, especially since the postal system is extremely slow to areas like New Zealand.

VII. WFDF PROJECTS

A. WFDF Brochure: With the financial help from Wham-O sponsorship funds, WFDF has produced a brochure with information on the different disc sports, disc history and contacts. Members should contact Johan Lindgren in order to purchase copies.

B. Teaching Video: WFDF has translated into Spanish a video produced by member association UPA which teaches Ultimate. It will soon be

ready for distribution.

C. Disc Missionary Program: This program has been used by several individuals. Mr. Norr provided a report about his travels in Venezuela and Colombia and Mr. Rauch gave an update on the status of Ultimate in Brazil.

VIII. SANCTIONED TOURNAMENTS

A. Request for Proposal (RFP) Form: Any group or individual wishing to submit a bid for any of the WFDF sanctioned tournaments can receive the Request for Proposal form from the respective Committee Chair.

B. Support of Less Popular Disc Sports: Mr Rauch suggests that tournament directors introduce other disc sports (such as Freestyle or DDC) at Ultimate tournaments as showcase events. As Ultimate is the most popular sport at present, this would serve to expose a great many disc enthusiasts to new disc disciplines which they might find of interest.

C. Events in 1995: As of the beginning of the Congress, there was no bid for the WOC in 1995. It was suggested that Dan Roddick might cancel the US Open in 1995 and use that tournament venue as the WOC. Mr. Roddick will follow up. There was a preliminary bid for the 1995 WUCC from Holland, but apparently the respective bidder had to withdraw due to lack of resources. Accordingly, the Congress agreed unanimously to set a new deadline of September 20th for the submission of bids for the 1995 WUCC and to make the final decision at the next Board Meeting in late September.

D. Events in 1996: For the 1996 WUGC, there were four bids: Joenköping, Sweden; presented by M. Norr Marquette, MI, USA; presented by Craig "Buck" Buchanan Savannah, GA, USA; presented by

J.R. and Janet Reynolds Utsunomiya, Japan; presented by Mr. Masuyama, Mayor of Utsunomiya, Mr. Ebashi, President of the JFDA, and Mr. Morooka, Executive Director.

After considerable discussion the bids were voted on by paper ballot. The winning vote required a majority of total votes. The vote was held over five rounds, as follows:

Round 1 2 3 4 5
 Joenköping 6 - 6 6 7
 Savannah 2 7 6 6 5
 Utsunomiya 2 4 - - -
 Marquette 2 - - - -
 Abstention 1 2 1 1 1

The 1996 World Ultimate and Guts Championship will be hosted by the local committee of Joenköping, Sweden.

CLOSING

Mr. Rauch closed the Congress by thanking all delegates for their support over his seven years of disc administration as Ultimate Committee Chair and WFDF President, and wishing the new officers much success in their new roles. The Congress was closed at approximately 5:00 pm.

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WFDF Board meeting November 22, 1994.

Participants: **Bill Wright** (BW), **Johan Lindgren** (JL), **Tami Pellicane** (TP) **Thomas Griesbaum** (TG), **Fumio Mooroka** (FM) and **Charlie Mead** (CM).

1) FM reported from the progress regarding the GAISF and the IWGA. Our application to become a full member of GAISF is delivered properly and we have to wait for the GAISF general assembly in 1995.

The application for membership in IWGA is still not complete. JL, BW and CM will make sure that the remaining parts are put together and sent in to IWGA well in time for the IWGA boardmeeting next year. The IWGA annual meeting is also in Seoul, Korea in October 1995.

2) JL reported the financial situation. WFDF has roughly 50,000 SEK + the 40,000 SEK that Madison set up as the MUFA fund.

CM reported that he had money waiting for paying the medals and the player fees for the championship in 1994. JL

and CM will arrange the details of the transfer so it is done before the end of 1994.

3) CM reported from the preparations for the 1995 club championships in Millfield. There will be places for 64 open, 32 womens and 24 masters teams. A complete information package is being prepared by CM and will be sent out as soon as possible.

BW and Dan Roddick will pursue the hunt for an organiser of the 1995 WFDF overall championships. If it is not possible to find that we might suggest to the Congress in 1995 to move the championship to 1996 instead if it is possible to find an organiser for 1996.

4) Since Dan Roddick was not present we got no definite report on the progress of the 1995 rulebook. But BW reported that it is moving along as planned. BW had talked to Eric Simon of UPA about the possibilities of streamlining the UPA 10th edition rules with the WFDF ultimate rules. CM was also interested in making this happen. All boardmembers was encouraged to report any changed addresses to JL.

FM suggested that a list of all old world champions should be added to the rulebook section where the world records are listed. He also suggested that the new bylaws should be included in the rulebook. The board felt it was good ideas but transferred the suggestions

to Dan Roddick for final decision.

5) JL was prepared to make a newsletter when the final decision regarding the 1995 individual championship was taken.

JL also asked that the board find someone else to work with the newsletter. CM promised to talk to Toby Green who might be interested in working with this type of issues. The board was prepared to allocate funds to get this going with the hopes that it could be a self financing project after a while.

6) BW will check the list of board projects and especially the membership survey and remind all board members which their responsibilities are. BW would take on the members allocated to Robert Rauch and CM will take on those allocated to Juha Jalovaara.

7) BW promised to prepare a present to Robert Rauch as a thank you gift for his work as president and he and his wife becoming parents for the first time.

8) BW will also discuss with Dan Roddick about the missionary program and what is happening and what needs to be done.

9) The board talked about various teaching packages that has been put together in various countries. Questions regarding this should be a part of the membership survey.

- 10) BW would talk to Robert Rauch and Brian Murphy of Holland & Hart regarding the incorporation and non profit status and what has to be done in the future.
- 11) Dan Roddick has talked about a project of producing simplified rules for all events. In Dan's absence details were unknown.
- 12) It was decided to hold the 1995 congress during the world club championships in Millfield in England. Probably during the monday evening of the tournament.
- 13) The meeting was closed.

Get Connected....

I guess that most flying disc players that have access to **Internet** also has found the international newsgroup **REC.SPORT.DISC**. If not, try to access it.

If you have a computer and a modem, but no access to Internet you can call the **WFDF forum** at +46 60-615371 and access the newsgroup there.

Here is some additional information on the electronic world of flying disc that I have collected from **REC.SPORT.DISC**:

(This is not a technical instruction. So if you are unfamiliar with terms as *FTP*, *WWW*, *URL* and such, you will have to obtain help on these subjects elsewhere.) *johan*

ULTIMATE AND THE INFORMATION HIGHWAY

by Eric Simon

How would you like electronic access to the rules, to upcoming tournaments, to team lists, even query a database for all known Ultimate in a given state, or area code? These capabilities have been set up, fairly independantly, by Ultimate tech-heads all over the world. This article will describe some of it. Querying a database for local Ultimate

Loring Holden (loring@healthchex.com) has set this one up. His machine will search a couple of databases for listings of Ultimate.

Simply send a message to [\[hchex.com\]\(http://healthchex.com\), and on the subject line specify a command for the search. The commands are the following:](mailto:mail-server@healt-</p>
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help Some help information about this utility

get file Will send you a file, where "file" is one of the available files

get index Will send you an index of available files

search <specifier> This command searches a couple of databases, and will give you information about ultimate happenings in a certain area or about a certain team. **For example:** *search Double Happiness* - searches for "Double Happiness" *search Rochester* - searches for "Rochester" *search state RI* - searches for the state "RI" *search areacode 401* - searches for the area code "401"

The mail-server searches at least three different databases: a pickup list, maintained by **Joe St. Lucas** (stlucas@gdwest.gd.com); captains lists that are provided, for some of the regions by regional coordinators who have computers; and the e-mail list maintained by **Chuck Brunson** (cbrunson@rmtc.central-sun.com).

Electronic access to the rules and other information

A anonymous FTP site for the rec.sport.disc archives has been set up by **Gary Lewandowski** (gary@cs.wisc.edu). You may download copies of various rules and the current FAQ (maintained by **David Birnbaum**, [Page 9](mailto:davidb@is-</p>
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.morgan.com) via anonymous FTP from ftp.cs.wisc.edu (128.105.2.15) in the directory pub/ultimate.

If you've never used this before, you might want to give it a try in the following manner: Use the ftp program at your site to connect to ftp.cs.wisc.edu. Login as "anonymous" and give your email address as the password. Then chdir pub/ultimate to go to the ultimate directory, use dir to list its contents, and use get <filename> to retrieve a file to your machine. Using WWW, the URL for the pub/ultimate directory is ftp://ftp.cs.wisc.edu/pub/ultimate/

George Ferguson (ferguson@cs.rochester.edu) has added an awesome system for users with WWW browsers (like Mosaic or the w3 package for Emacs) at: <http://www.cs.rochester.edu/users/grads/ferguson/ultimate-rules.html>

What if you only have e-mail?

You can even do this stuff if you're not on the internet, but someone with only e-mail access, like those on *Compuserve* or *America On-Line*, for example. Send a message to: ftpmail@gatekeeper.dec.com, nothing on the subject line, and the following as the body of the message in order to get a copy of the rules:

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reply <your e-mail address>
connect ftp.cs.wisc.edu
chdir pub/ultimate
get ultimate_rules.9th.amended
quit
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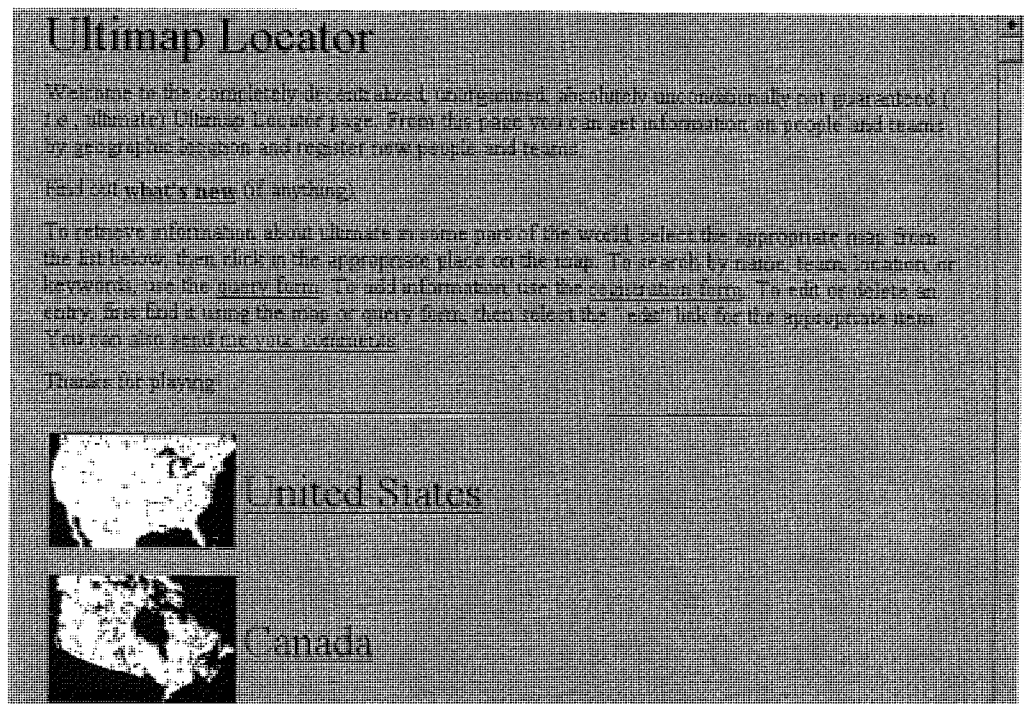
As you might guess, it's the get command that you would change in order to get a copy of

some other file.

If you want to know what files are out there, replace the entire line that has the get in it with dir. Additionally, help will get you a lot of information on using ftp through e-mail.

College Records and Top 25 Information

To find out about the college season, who played whom, when, the score, or the season's final ranking, send a message to ultimate_report_send@scilla.central.sun-



.com with one of the following subject lines:

top25_rankings Open (or Women) - to get the rankings top25

<teamname> - to get a complete record on a single team

help - to find out about the myriad of other options

Where can I get more information?

This is the third article describing the information highway as it relates to Ultimate. To

get copies of any of these articles, send a message to mail-server@healthchex.com with the subject line of **get infohighway1**, (or 2 or 3, or *infohighway_all* for all of them). Better yet, for a summary of other files on information highway, send a message to mail-server@healthchex.com with the subject line of **get index**, or do a directory (*dir*) at the ftp site (described above).

Be a Part of It

Get connected! If you don't have ready access to the Usenet newsgroup *rec.sport.disc*, you can "subscribe" to it by simply sending a message to ultimate-request@doe.carleton.ca with the subject line of **subscribe**.

And, finally, you can have your team connected up to our massive e-mail list by sending your team's information (team, contact, phone number, division, section, and region), along with an e-mail address, to ultimate_alias_owner@scilla.central.sun.com

Thomas Griesbaum has set up a WWW-page at <http://www.ira.uka.de/~thgries/disc/>

Web page collection

By: Michael Juster

<mryuk+@CMU.EDU>

Hey all,

I've been compiling a list of Web pages related to frisbee and frisbee teams from both the United States as well as the rest of the world. The address to my page is as follows: <http://www.contrib.andrew.cmu.edu/usr/mj1g/all-frisbee.html>

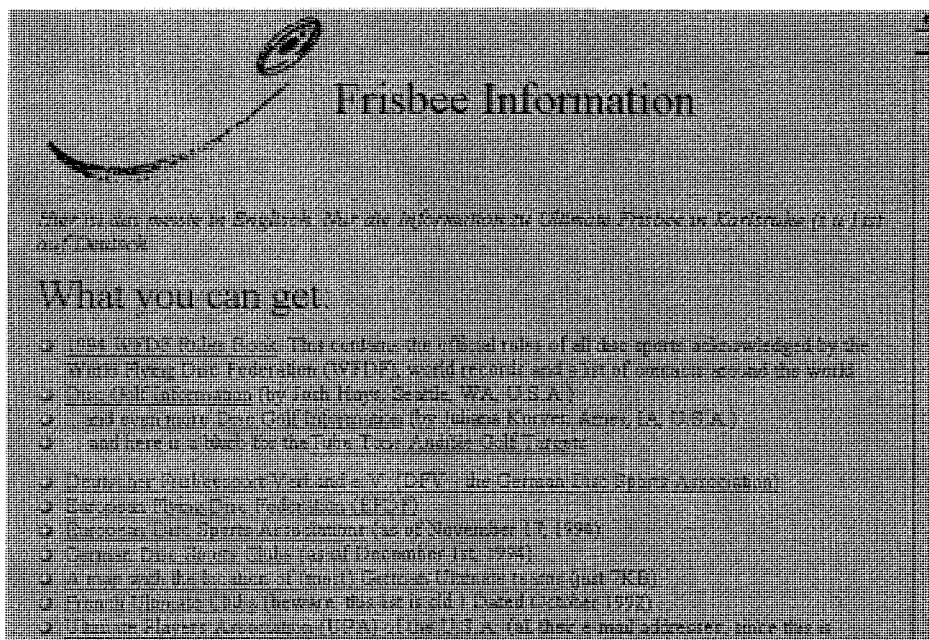
It's fairly complete as I have searched around other people's pages for all sites possible but I know that there have to be more clubs/colleges/other people's pages that I have missed.

If you DO have a WWW page of your own, could you please check the listing below to make sure that you are on it somewhere.

Send me email at mj1g@andrew.cmu.edu if you have a question, a page that is not listed, a page that is titled incorrectly, etc.

Thanks,

-Chucky letITgo - Pittsburgh



Urls in rec.sport.disc

(This is a summary. Many of these contain sub-pages.)

<ftp://ftp.cs.rochester.edu/pub/archives/rec.sport.disc>

<ftp://ftp.cs.rochester.edu/pub/archives/ultimate>

<ftp://pipkin.lut.ac.uk/pub/gumpf/Ultimate>

<ftp://rtfm.mit.edu/pub/usenet/rec.sport.disc/>

ftp://rtfm.mit.edu/pub/usenet/rec.sport.disc/Upcoming_Ultimate-Tourneys

<http://amsun.apma.virginia.edu:9999/~wsh8z/>



<http://caesar.cs.uiowa.edu/~willemsn/ultimate/ultimate.html>

<http://csgrad.cs.vt.edu/~schmidt/ultimate/ultimate.html>

<http://cu54.crl.aecl.ca:1024/ultimate>

<http://hornet.nadn.navy.mil:1995/Ultimate/Ultimate.html>

<http://hyper.stanford.edu/~dhinds/frisbee>

<http://komodo.hacks.arizona.edu/~hko/rsd.archive>

<http://pipkin.lut.ac.uk/~scott/ultimate.html>

<http://radon.gas.uug.arizona.edu/~hko/upa/home.html>

<http://rrdi.frr.clemson.edu/ultimate.html>

<http://ucsub.colorado.edu/~bergerok/Home.html>

<http://web.mit.edu/afs/athena.mit.edu/user/p/a/parinell/home.html>

<http://www-hal.cs.uiuc.edu/~laff/Sotg/sotg.html>

<http://www.ai.mit.edu/people/dbailey/Ultimate2.html>

<http://www.cica.indiana.edu/hyplan/tagreen/Ultimate/IU-Ultimate.html>

[<net/sports/disc-faq/part1/faq.html>](http://www.cis.ohio-state.edu/hypertext/faq/use-</p></div><div data-bbox=)

<http://www.contrib.andrew.cmu.edu/usr/ultimate/pittsburghultimate.html>

<http://www.cqs.washington.edu/~josh/discgolf.html>

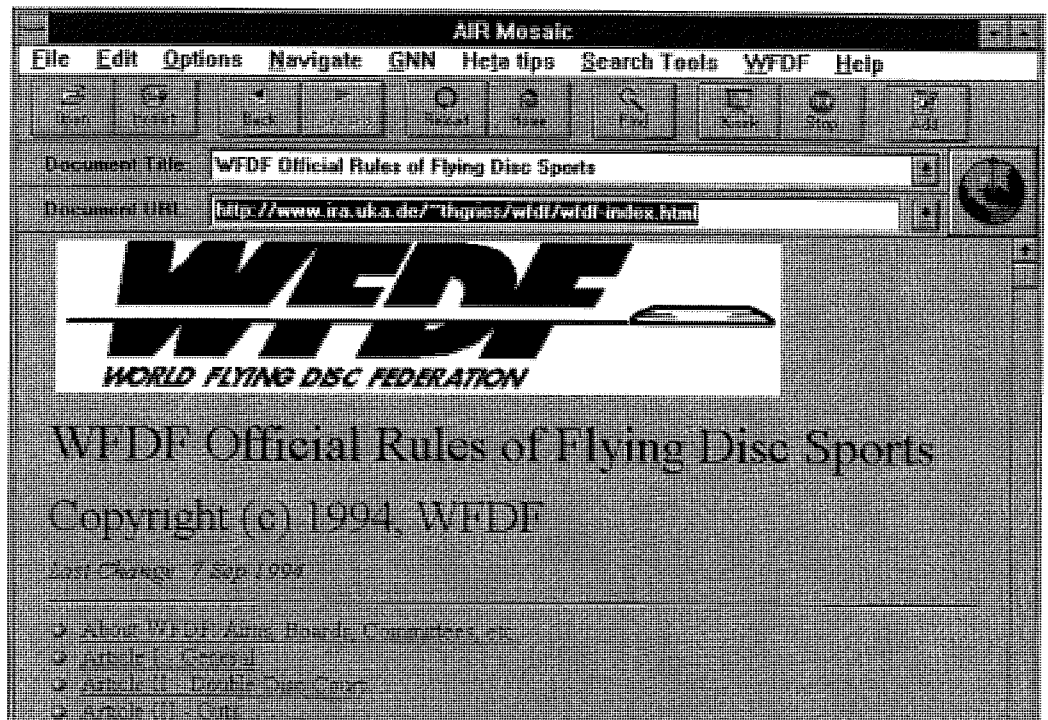
<http://www.cs.colostate.edu/~freedman/ultimate/>

<http://www.cs.rochester.edu/u/ferguson/>

<http://www.cs.rochester.edu/u/ferguson/disc/wfdf/>

<http://www.cs.unc.edu/~parris/ultimate.html>

http://www.csv.warwick.ac.uk/~serai/disc/diary_1995.html



WFDF TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

31-03 02-04-1995 Fredericksburg USA 18th annual april fools fest ultima +1 301-LUV-B-MAX
06-05 07-05-1995 Salt Lake City USA 9th annual daween ultimate Bert Granberg +1-801-485-2950
06-05 07-05-1995 Everywhere ALL Worlds biggest disc golf weekend John Houck +1 (512) 385-6789
11-07 15-07-1995 World Senior overall San Diego, CA. Info +1 (619)-277-0026
22-07 30-07-1995 Millfield UK WFDF world ultimate club championsh Charlie Mead +44-121-449-3382
23-07 29-07-1995 Cincinnati USA PDGA amateur disc golf champ Scott Conrad +1 (513) 752-1514
25-07 25-07-1995 Millfield UK WFDF annual Congress Johan Lindgren +46-60-121497
31-07 05-08-1995 Linköping SWE SweDisc open overall Stefan Karlsson +46-13-112596
14-08 19-08-1995 Port Arthur, TX USA PDGA world disc golf champ John Houck +1 (512) 385-6789
01-07 30-07-1996 Jönköping SWE WFDF world ultimate and Guts champ Peter Lundmark +46-31-154500
You can call WFDF forum on +46 60 615371 to add new tournaments to the list. Or send an email to: Johan_Lindgren@wdf.ct.se