

**DEAF SPORTS ASSOCIATION (SINGAPORE)**

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## INTRODUCTION

Deaf Sports Association (Singapore) is registered with the Registry of Societies on 26 November 2012. The Unique Entity Number is T12SS0228C. DSA is an approved Institution of Public Character (IPC 000799) from 14 October 2013 to 13 October 2014.

DSA serves as the national entity for all sports affairs pertaining to the Deaf Community in Singapore.

## VISION

The vision is to serve as an effective and efficient association promoting Deaf sports on high performance, participation and sports excellence.

## OBJECTIVES

- To promote Deaf sport, culture and education in the Republic of Singapore;
- To serve as a platform to build a bridge between sports associations and Deaf athletes.
- To plan, organize and participate in local sports events and compete in regional and international sports championships
- To provide technical advice and sharing of knowledge on Deaf sports

## MISSION

The mission is to transform the mindsets of Deaf Sports and advance sports promotion through education and awareness.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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### THE YEAR UNDER REVIEW 2013/2014

First of all, I would like to thank my team for their valuable contribution to the growth of deaf sports in the community.

We started with a small group of ten volunteers to discuss the possibility of setting up the national sports organisation/body for the deaf community. We registered the DSA on 26 November 2012 and signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Singapore Association for the Deaf to oversee the development of sports within the deaf community.



In the past, the interest sports groups (badminton, bowling, football and swimming) were established as part of the development initiatives to build an elite team for the future. Through these groups, we have identified some potential swimmers like Tan Jian Hao who clocked 30.24 in his 50M Freestyle; bowlers attained above 1,000 pinfalls regularly out of six games and the shuttlers have established regular quality training days every week. In addition, the football team joined Saturday Night Light programme conducted by SportCares and they clinched the silver medal at the Malaysia Deaf Games in June 2014. The medal was the first in history for deaf football in Singapore.

Moving forward, we will be holding the inaugural National Deaf Games in March 2015 and the goal is to identify potential athletes to be selected for our intensive preparation training regime with targets set for the major games in the near future such as Asia Pacific Deaf Games and Deaflympic Games.

DSA would like to thank all Executive Council members, volunteers, interpreters, athletes, supporters as well as THORB, SportCares, Yonex Sunrise, Dreamatron for their great support toward the deaf sports. The past years' achievements would not have been possible without your relentless contributions.

A stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Eng Meng'.

Mr Loh Eng Meng  
President

**PRESIDENT**

Mr Loh Eng Meng

**VICE PRESIDENT**

Mr Ong Hui Chong, David

**SECRETARY**

Ms Ang Hwee Chee, Stefanie \*

**TREASURER**

Mr Tang Kum Wah, Francis

**ASSISTANT TREASURER**

Ms Tan Meirong, Michelle \*

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Ms Jessica Mak Wei-E

Ms Lim Jia Yi

Mr Neo Kah Beng, Jonathan

Mr Lee Siau Hau, James

Mr Mohd Isham Bin Mohd Sani

**CO-OPT MEMBER**

Ms Lim Ee Lee, Jane

Note:

\* *non-deaf*

# ORGANISATION CHART

## EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

PRESIDENT

VICE PRESIDENT  
SECRETARY  
TREASURER  
ASSISTANT TREASURER  
COMMITTEE MEMBERS

### Talent Development Committee

**Chairman**  
Mr Lee Siau Hau

**Committee Member(s)**  
Mr Tang Kum Wah  
Mr Ong Hui Chong

### Woman Sports Committee

**Chairman**  
Ms Lim Ee Lee

**Committee Member(s)**  
Ms Lim Jia Yi  
Ms Stefanie Ang

### High Participation Committee

**Chairman**  
Mr Ong Hui Chong

**Committee Member(s)**  
Mr Jonathan Neo  
Ms Lim Jia Yi

### Fundraising Committee

**Chairman**  
Mr Loh Eng Meng

**Committee Member(s)**  
Mr Tang Kum Wah  
Ms Tan Meirong

### Media & Publicity Committee

**Chairman**  
Ms Jessica Mak Wei-E

**Committee Member(s)**  
Mr Mohd Isham  
Ms Lim Ee Lee



sports Excellence  
training development  
coaching management  
international relations



high participation  
advocacy for equality  
personal development



interest sports groups  
local tournaments  
memberships  
programme grants



fundraising events  
sponsorships  
charity projects



social media  
corporate branding  
signs for sports  
marketing collaterals

## MEMBERSHIP

As at 31 March 2014, our membership strength stood at 11. The breakdown is as follows:

Category	Ordinary	Life	Total
Deaf	9	0	9
Non-Deaf	2	0	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>

As at 31 March 2014, our corporate and affiliate membership stood at 1. The breakdown is as follows:

Category	Corporate	Affiliate	Total
Companies	1	0	1
Organisations	0	0	0
Schools	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

List of Corporate Members:

1) Extraordinary Horizons (Singapore) joined as a corporate member on 1 January 2014.

## SPORTS AND PROGRAMMES

### HIGH PARTICIPATION

#### 1) **SPH Foundation National Para Swimming Championship 2013** 10 May 2013

DSA funded eight (8) swimmers to compete in the annual national swimming championship organized by Singapore Disability Sports Council. The swimmers bagged 3 Gold, 4 Silver and 4 Bronze. One of the male swimmers, Tan Jian Hao clocked his personal timing best (31:04) at 50m freestyle and had been identified as a talent.



*The swimmers won numerous medals*

## 2) Interest Sports Group

Four sports teams had been established to recruit athletes for future training programmes. Till March 2014, the details of four sports teams are as follows:

Sports	Team Name	No of athletes
Badminton	Silent Smashers	4
Bowling	Thunder Strikers	5
Football	Deaf Lions	16
Swimming	X-Aqua	4
Total		29

## 3) Community Outreach Programme

26 February 2014

DSA organized its first community outreach programme for athletes and their families at River Safari on 26 February 2014. The objective is to spread a message to athletes' families and friends about our new slogan, "PLAY WITH A HEART". This slogan means athletes play their favorite sport in their heart. The total number of participants attending the outreach programme is 45 including athletes' families and siblings



Families and friends gathered with athletes



## TALENT DEVELOPMENT

### 1) **Badminton development programme**

February 2014 till present

The new badminton team called Silent Smashers has been established and started self-training at Yio Chu Kang Sports Hall in early February. The rental of badminton courts was funded by DSA.



*Silent Smashers badminton team*

### 2) **Bowling development programme**

February 2014 till present

The new bowling team called Thunder Strikers has been established and started self-training at CSC Bukit Batok Westwood Bowl from 7 February onwards. The rental of the lanes was very expensive and in support of the bowling team, the rental of lanes was 50% subsidised by DSA and the bowling team shared the cost.



*Thunder Strikers bowling team*

### 3) **Swimming development programme**

January 2014

The new swimming team called X-Aqua has been established and started self-training at Jalan Besar Swimming Complex every Monday evening.



*X-Aqua swimming team*

#### 4) **Football development programme**

March 2014 till present

The new football team called Deaf Lions has been established and started playing friendly games on two Sundays per month from March onwards. The rental of football fields was funded by DSA and the referee fee was covered by the opponent teams when playing against the Deaf Lions.



*Training at Singapore Sports School*

DSA partnered with SportCares Foundation providing training and coaching for Deaf Lions at Singapore Sports School under Saturday Night Light programme from 15 March 2014 onwards.

## FUNDRAISING PROJECT

### 1) **CHARITY FUTSAL EVENT 2014** 19 January 2014

DSA collaborated with the venue, Playlor! Arena and applied for a licence permit via SPF website to hold the charity futsal event at Pandan Gardens on 19 January 2014. Due to poor response, the event has been cancelled and the statement of account was submitted to SPF. The amount raised was zero.



Deaf Sports Association (Singapore)

# CHARITY FUTSAL 2014

**PLAY WITH A HEART**

All the proceeds will go towards the deaf sports development programmes

**PARTICIPATION OF SUPPORT**

Team Registration A  
**\$500**  
or  
Team Registration B  
any amount between  
**(\$500 to \$1,000)**

*Outright donations are 2.5 times tax deductible.*

**TOURNAMENT FORMAT:**  
16 Teams divided into four groups in the round-robin system.  
Each team shall have 5 players and 3 substitutes.  
Each game 10 minutes with no intervals.  
Top 2 teams of each group advance to the knockout rounds.

*In support of the deaf sports culture, the referee will use a visual flag instead of a whistle for you to experience every silent game.*

**Date:** Sunday, 19 January 2014  
**Venue:** Futsal @ Playlor! Arena  
200 Pandan Gardens  
Singapore 609336  
**Time:** 9:00AM - 1:30PM

For more details, please email Mr David Ong at [sports@dsa.org.sg](mailto:sports@dsa.org.sg) or contact Mr Ronnie Lim, 9002 0503

Organised by:



Official Venue:

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