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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

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 handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Eng Meng' with a stylized flourish underneath.

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



sports Excellence
training development
coaching management
international relations

Woman Sports Committee

Chairman
Ms Lim Ee Lee

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



high participation
advocacy for equality
personal development

High Participation Committee

Chairman
Mr Ong Hui Chong

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



interest sports groups
local tournaments
memberships
programme grants

Fundraising Committee

Chairman
Mr Loh Eng Meng

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



fundraising events
sponsorships
charity projects

Media & Publicity Committee

Chairman
Ms Jessica Mak Wei-E

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



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
Total	11	0	11

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
Total	1	0	1

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.

A promotional poster for the Charity Futsal 2014 event. The background is a black and white photograph of a futsal game in progress. Overlaid on the image is the text 'Deaf Sports Association (Singapore) CHARITY FUTSAL 2014 PLAY WITH A HEART'. Below this, there are three boxes containing registration details, tournament format, and event information. At the bottom, it says 'All the proceeds will go towards the deaf sports development programmes' and provides contact information for Mr David Ong and Mr Ronnie Lim.

Deaf Sports Association (Singapore)
CHARITY FUTSAL 2014
PLAY WITH A HEART

PARTICIPATION OF SUPPORT
Team Registration A
\$500
or
Team Registration B
any amount between
(\$500 to \$1,000)
Overnight 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

All the proceeds will go towards the deaf sports development programmes

For more details, please email Mr David Ong at sports@dsa.org.sg or contact Mr Ronnie Lim, 9002 0503

Organised by:



Official Venue:

PLAYLOR!®