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31st May, 2020

To: OWF Members Countries

Dear Friends,

RE: 2020 – 2021 OWF International League Email Tournament

How can you fight an invisible enemy. An enemy which you cannot see and has so far destroyed so many thousands of lives around the world. Destroying families, destroying business, destroying communities and destroying sports. It has even postponed the Olympic Games for 2020.

Within four months, this terrible virus – Covid 19 – has postponed continental championships and has stopped this year's world juniors and many other major tournaments. So many lifters from around the world, who were focussed on the Olympics Games – their dreams have been shattered. Let us hope that the Olympic Games will be on in 2021.

Today many lifters are still training in their garages, backyards, or even streets. They do not know when they may be able to return to normality. With this in mind, and after numerous discussions with the OWF President, the Hon. Marcus Stephen MP, as well as getting the approval for this project from the IWF General Secretary Mr Mohammed Jalood, it was unanimously approved by the OWF Executive Board to go ahead with this round robin tournament involving all countries of the Oceania region. The tournament to be known as the 2020- 2021 OWF International League Email Tournament.

So far 20 out of 22 countries are looking forward to participating, and thank you for that. Let's help each others and let's hope that the other two countries will confirm their participation. We will have 140 of our best lifters from the region competing every month for the next 8 months.

The OWF not being able to run many projects this year such as the OTIP program and others due to the Coronavirus, we have instead allocated AUD\$43,500.00 from our budget -which comes from the IWF Continental Grant - to give as prize money towards the tournament. (see below)

Naturally this was discussed with the IWF General Secretary, Mr. Jalood who was very supportive of the concept given that we are assisting all countries and during these difficult times there is no better way than to utilize these funds towards our own member nations.

Below you will find the fixture for the tournament and the regulations.

- Let's not forget that the OWF is also running the Eleiko International Email Tournament for Individual lifters on line on the 24th & 25th July, for all those lifters in the world who have been forced to train on their own away from their clubs or institutes. The OWF and the Eleiko company are contributing 20 bars with collars – 10 men and 10 women – for the winners of each category. (bars only)
- The OWF has also contributed \$1,000 to each of the 14 lifters from Oceania who are presently ranking first in the Oceania region as per IWF Olympic qualification.
- I am highlighting all of this to you all as members of the OWF in order for you to understand that we are contributing from the IWF Continental funds a substantial amount during this coronavirus in order to keep lifters motivated.

Kindest regards,

Paul Coffa MBE

GENERAL SECRETARY

2020 -2021 Oceania International League Email Weightlifting Tournament

ROUND ONE July 17-18

KIRIBATI	v	PACIFIC 2
NEW ZEALAND	v	PACIFIC 1
PAPUA NEW GUINEA	v	FIJI
AUSTRALIA	v	NAURU
SOLOMON ISLANDS	v	SAMOA

ROUND TWO August 7-8

KIRIBATI	v	PACIFIC 1
NEW ZEALAND	v	FIJI
PAPUA NEW GUINEA	v	NAURU
AUSTRALIA	v	SAMOA
SOLOMON ISLANDS	v	PACIFIC 2

ROUND THREE September 4-5

KIRIBATI	v	FIJI
NEW ZEALAND	v	NAURU
PAPUA NEW GUINEA	v	SAMOA
AUSTRALIA	v	SOLOMON ISLANDS
PACIFIC 1	v	PACIFIC 2

ROUND FOUR October 2-3

KIRIBATI	v	NAURU
NEW ZEALAND	v	SAMOA
PAPUA NEW GUINEA	v	SOLOMON ISLANDS
AUSTRALIA	v	PACIFIC 2
FIJI	v	PACIFIC 1

ROUND FIVE October 30-31

KIRIBATI	v	SAMOA
SOLOMON ISLANDS	v	NEW ZEALAND
PAPUA NEW GUINEA	v	AUSTRALIA
PACIFIC 1	v	NAURU
FIJI	v	PACIFIC 2

ROUND SIX November 27-28

SOLOMON ISLANDS	v	KIRIBATI
NEW ZEALAND	v	AUSTRALIA
PAPUA NEW GUINEA	v	PACIFIC 2
SAMOA	v	PACIFIC 1
NAURU	v	FIJI

ROUND SEVEN December 18-19

KIRIBATI	v	AUSTRALIA
PAPUA NEW GUINEA	v	NEW ZEALAND
SOLOMON ISLANDS	v	PACIFIC 1
FIJI	v	SAMOA
NAURU	v	PACIFIC 2

ROUND EIGHT January 22-23 ,2021

PAPUA NEW GUINEA	v	KIRIBATI
PACIFIC 2	v	NEW ZEALAND
AUSTRALIA	v	PACIFIC 1
SOLOMON ISLANDS	v	FIJI
SAMOA	v	NAURU

ROUND NINE February 19-20 ,2021

KIRIBATI	v	NEW ZEALAND
PAPUA NEW GUINEA	v	PACIFIC 1
FIJI	v	AUSTRALIA
SOLOMON ISLANDS	v	NAURU
SAMOA	v	PACIFIC 2

Price money in Australian dollars

1st place	\$10,000.00	Plus the winning cup
2nd place	\$8,000.00	
3rd place	\$6,000.00	
4th place	\$5,000.00	
5th place	\$4,000.00	
6th place	\$3,000.00	
7th place	\$2,500.00	
8th place	\$2,000.00	
9th place	\$1,500.00	
10th place	\$1,000.00	

Pacific 1 Team

Niue
Cook Islands
Tonga
American Samoa
Tahiti
Wallis& Futuna
Tuvalu (not confirm)

Pacific 2 Team

Vanuatu
Palau
Micronesia FSM
Guam
Northern Marianas
New caledonia
Marshall Islands (Not Confirm)



2020- 2021 OWF LEAGUE EMAIL WEIGHTLIFTING TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS



- 1 The round robin consists of nine matches with ten teams. (**See fixture.**)
- 2 There will be eight teams consisting of 14 lifters of each team – 7 men and 7 women. These 8 teams are Samoa, New Zealand, Australia, Nauru, Kiribati, Fiji, Solomon Islands, Papua New Guinea. The teams do not need to enter one lifter per category. They may enter two or more lifters per category if they wish. So long as there is only 7 men and 7 women.
- 3 Two teams – Pacific 1 and Pacific 2 – will be combined teams of those countries who cannot field full teams. They can only have two lifters per country competing. It can be two men or two women or one man and one woman. Providing the overall numbers are 7 men and 7 women.
Pacific 1 Team consists of Niue, Cook Islands, Tonga, American Samoa, Tahiti, Wallis & Futuna and Tuvalu (to confirm)
Pacific 2 Team consists of Vanuatu, Palau, Micronesia FSM, Guam, Northern Marianas, New Caledonia, and Marshall Islands (to confirm)
- 4 At the end of each round a ladder will be produced.
- 5 There will be AUD\$43,000 prize money. (**see attached**) These funds will come from the OWF through the overall continental funds given by the IWF.
- 6 First round is scheduled for July 17th-18th. The entries must be sent no later than **the 20th July.**
- 7 The match is as follows -: for example **NEW ZEALAND v AUSTRALIA**
New Zealand combined total of the 14 lifters is 3400kg. Australia combined total of the 14 lifters is 3350kg
NZL combined bodyweight of the 14 lifters is 1210kg. AUS combined bodyweight of the 14 lifters is 1200kg
New Zealand total less the bodyweights equals **2190kg.** Australia total less the bodyweights equals **2150kg.**
New Zealand wins the match by 40kg.
- 8 Team Points - Winner 3 points, Draw 2 points, Loser 1 point
- 9 At the end of the nine rounds the team that has scored more points will win the tournament. If there is more than one team equalling the same points, then the team with the highest combined score from the nine rounds will win. **For example at the end of the nine rounds the LADDER could look like this:**
LADDER

Place	Team	W	D	L	Points	Aggregate score
1	PNG	6		3	18	455Kg
2	SOL	6		3	18	425kg
3	NZL	5		4	15	670kg

ETC..
- 10 Each team will have a co-ordinator from their own country, who will be responsible to send the results to the OWF at the end of each match. Because of the Coronavirus the results of the lifters can be done in gymnasiums or wherever that lifter trains. We can only trust what the co-ordinator sends through to the OWF. Again because of the Coronavirus, we realize that it may not be possible to conduct this under normal competition standards with referees etc.
- 11 In the event of a draw, the team will receive 2 points but they will not receive any score towards the combined total aggregate.
- 12 Each month the OWF will send out an entry form for each team to fill in. It is imperative that we have the correct name, the year of birth, the best snatch, the best clean & jerk and total.
- 13 At the end of each round a ladder will be produced.