

TIG

Triennial Intervarsity Games

Forward

During the period of 1949 to 1997, Triennial Intervarsity Games (TIG), an international sports event was organized by the University of Hong Kong. For half a century, TIG had been one of the most breathtaking sports events in HKU, giving countless HKU students an unforgettable experience.



THE BEGINNING

There is an interesting story about the history of the Triennial Intervarsity Games. In 1949, Sir Lindsay Tasman Ride, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Hong Kong, delegated the HKU Tennis and Cricket team to compete in Raffles College of Singapore. Since the first Intervarsity Games (IG), Singapore and Hong Kong established many exchanges and international relations. After Raffles College joined with King Edward VII College of Medicine becoming the now National University of Singapore, IG officially became a biennial event, the Biennial Intervarsity Games (BIG).

Biennial Intervarsity Games during the fifties and the sixties were only limited to Singapore and Hong Kong. It was pleasing to have these events every other year; however, the further magnification of the Triennial Intervarsity Games stirred in the sixties by hard works from our now HKU alumni. In 1962, Singapore became independent. Universiti Malaya separated from National University of Singapore, became its own independent university. Therefore, BIG became a sports event between three universities. In 1966, HKU Athletic Association became Sports Association, HKUSU. The president, Lau Wai Kit, traveled to eleven countries in Southeast Asia in 1968. Soon after, University of Indonesia officially joined this glorious event. The TIG's foundations were laid after the establishments of the Constitution, Anthem, Oath, and regulations under Lau Wai Kit's leadership.



THE CLIMAX

The development of Biennial Intervarsity Games to Triennial Intervarsity games is the milestone of its development.

In the seventies, there was an economic inflation in Asia, facilitating the improvement of TIG. These participating universities consented to a change this sports event from a Biennial to a Triennial sports event, using this extra year in between to prepare and fundraise. In HKU, one of the most magnificent fundraising events of TIG was the fundraising ball. Dr. Stanley Ho and Dr. Henry Fok were the two most generous contributors for making this possible, by providing this event with its five star hotel venue. With many international and local supports, TIG had entered its "Golden Age". TIG, a triennial event, included approximately more than a thousand university student athletes; the amount of categories of different sports ranged from nine to a dozen. Other events such as Cultural Night, Ball, and local site-seeing also became TIG's many highlights. During this period, HKU is the only university where the students organize TIG which is something to be proud of.



MID-CRISIS

Why was TIG discontinued? There are some correlations with the economy. Until the nineties, TIG's budget became increasingly immense. There were problems concerning the financial support from many sponsors during the Asian Financial Crisis in 1997. With lack of resources and financial support, TIG was stopped for a period of time. Originally a Millennium Intersity Games, supposed to be held by Indonesia in the year 2000, was withdrawn.



REVIVAL

TIG stopped for almost ten years now. Every Sports Association Committee after the millennium hopes to revive TIG. On April 2006, the Triennial Intersity Games Organizing Committee was established, with the collaboration with Singapore to restore a new light in TIG.

The University of Hong Kong notably supports TIG. Sir Rayson Huang and Professor Wang Geng-wu generously offered help to contact other universities. The next TIG is also upheld by HKU's Vice-Chancellor, Professor Lap-chee Tsui, Office of Student Affairs, and the Development and Alumni Affairs Office.

This Year...

The 23rd Triennial Intersity Games includes:

Athletics, Aquatics, Badminton, Basketball, Handball, Field Hockey, Rugby football, Soccer, Softball, Table Tennis, Tennis and Volleyball

The content of the upcoming TIG might have slight difference compared to the past; however the high quality, exciting, and cultural aspects of this event will not change. Cultural exchange is in the mind of HKU's best interest in reviving this sports event.

The 23rd Triennial Intersity Games will be held in 2007. The revival of TIG changed the history of more than a decade. The HKU student organizers will revitalize TIG with utmost vigor and confidence. TIG 2007, becomes the match that lights up the hearts of all athletes from Southeast Asian Universities.

前言

四角大學賽，是香港大學於一九四九至一九九七年主辦的國際運動會。半世紀以來，四角大學賽成就了港大體育史上豐瞻的一頁，為無數港大同學的大學歲月留下精彩的回憶。





緣起

四角大學賽的歷史本身就是一個趣味盎然的故事故。1949年，香港大學校長賴廉士爵士（Sir Lindsay Tasman Ride）帶領港大網球隊及板球隊至新加坡Raffles College作賽，自此新港兩地時常往來作體育交流，此之為第一次Intervarsity Games（IG）。及後Raffles College與King Edward VII College of Medicine合併成為新加坡國立大學（National University of Singapore），IG定為兩年一度，Biennial Intervarsity Games（BIG）正式成立。

五、六十年代的BIG雖限於新港兩地，但由於交通不便，兩大之間能隔年比賽一次，已是難能可貴。若論TIG的突破性發展，必待六十年代港大前輩的功勞。1962年，新加坡獨立，馬來亞大學（Malaya University）從新加坡大學分出來，BIG於是成為三角大學賽。1966年，香港大學田徑聯會（HKU Athletic Association）更名香港大學學生會體育聯會（Sports Association, HKUSU），會長劉偉傑於1968年訪遍東南亞十一國，最後印尼大學正式加入，四角大學賽憲章亦由他創立，一切規章如誓詞、賽曲、賽制等終於有則可循。



鼎盛

四角大學賽由BIG變成TIG標誌著它的發展高峰。七十年代，亞洲經濟起飛，通貨膨脹，四角大學賽卻正值鼎盛時期。以量從質，四所大學於是決定改雙年為三年制，期間則不斷舉辦籌款活動。那時候，TIG籌款舞會可是港大的盛事。何鴻燊、霍英東等縉紳俱為最大贊助者，更主動提供五星級酒店作為場地。由於各界的踴躍支持，四角大學賽進入黃金時期，三年一度的賽事，每次動員超越一千人，比賽項目共九至十二項；其他活動尚包括文化之夜、舞會、由香港旅遊發展局贊助之本地旅行團等。最令港大自豪的，是四角大學賽賽主辦者中，唯獨港大是由同學負責，而工作效率卻堪稱四地之首。



中斷

然而，四角大學賽何以中斷？這得從經濟說起。四角大學賽至九十年代，財政負擔漸見沉重。本來憑藉四角賽之口碑，尚能吸引足夠贊助。可是金融風暴的出現，令四間大學財源突然枯竭，於是本來九七年後應由印尼主辦的千禧大學賽（Millennium Intervarsity Games），最終竟不了了之。

復興

不經不覺，四角大學賽已停辦了近十年。二千年後，每一屆體育聯會幹事都希望復興此一事業。二零零六年四月，港大學生會四角大學賽籌委再次成立，新加坡國立大學表示樂意再次合作，復興之路漸見曙光。

四角大學賽，港大雖一直以學生籌備，卻從來依賴校方的有力支援。歷屆校長如黃麗松爵士、王賡武教授等均全力協助同學邀請贊助人及聯絡海外大學。本屆四角大學賽亦獲得現任校長徐立之教授鼎力支持，學生事務處與發展及校友事務部亦樂意提供一切協助。

第二十三屆四角大學賽的競技項目包括：

田徑，游泳，羽毛球，籃球，手球，曲棍球，欖球，足球，壘球，乒乓球，網球，排球

新的四角大學賽也許內容上與以往有所不同，卻不會改變它一直以來的精髓所在——透過多元化、高水平的體育競技，促進港大同學與海外大學的文化交流——這也是港大師生堅持復興四角大學賽的原因。

第二十三屆四角大學賽預料於二零零七年舉行。半世紀的歷史再續，久違了的南洋遠客，再次遇上港大健兒，究竟會迸發怎樣的炫眼火花？



Fudan University
Shanghai



The University of Hong Kong
Hong Kong



Universiti Teknologi Mara



Malayasia



National University of Singapore
Singapore



Participating Universities:

Fudan University

University of Hong Kong

National University of Singapore

Universiti Teknologi Mara





Sports Programs for the 23rd TIG:
There are 12 events proposed in total

1. Athletics



7. Rugby



2. Aquatics



8. Soccer



3. Badminton



9. Softball



4. Basketball



10. Table Tennis



5. Handball



6. Hockey



12. Volleyball



11. Tennis



TIGER
The Mascot of the 23rd TIG
represents all the participants of the TIG (TIG-ers)

Triennial Interschool Games
ANTHEM

5 5 1 1 7 1 2 3 2 3 1 6 2 1 7

Let's march on to the field with loyal hearts and sportsman-

1 - - 5 5 1 1 1 7 1 2 3 2 3 1 6 2 1 7

ship. For the honour of our unions and to fos-ter true friend-

1 - - 5 2 2 2 3 4 4 3 2# 3 1 2 3 4# 6

ship. Now raise our voices loud-ly and clear-ly cheering in this

6 5 4# 5 5 1 1 1 2 3 1 4 4 5 6 7 6 6 5 4 3 3 2 1

our happy song. The glory of sports we'll cheris dearly singing as we march along.