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Extra ordinary members:  South Tyrol  Club of Corinthian

## Report Auckland 2006 to Dubai 2008

One of my goal is to assist the WACS executive committee in promoting WACS in its activities in my region and facilitate two ways communication between the Continent members of Central Europe and the WACS board.

But as a CD I am working also in liaison between our treasurer and the membership when he is sending out the yearly payment list and asking us for help.

Since our last Congress in Auckland, New Zealand the following things happened:

### **The biggest tasks:**

For the last two years I have done the organization of the Global Chefs Challenge Competition for Central Europe and I am very proud that the competition went so well with outstanding help from the Hungarian Chefs Association as well as the jury members and WACS observer. All competitors did a great job.

The German TV Station VOX has done a 23 Minutes Video, which h was shown already two times at the German speaking countries min Europe and now it is available at our website [www.wacs2000.org](http://www.wacs2000.org)

Also for the last two years I was working very intensive with my Committee for the realization of our WACS Global Master Chef Program, which I will present later on.

## **November 2006**

In November before the EXPOGAST in Luxembourg, WACS President Ferdinand Metz and I met some potential Sponsors again in Cologne Germany. We talked to KAI, a Japanese Knife producer and also to Callebout, Melitta and to Unilever Europe.

After this I had the great opportunity to participate as the Continental Director at the EXPOGAST in Luxembourg. As the organizer of the last IKA / Culinary Olympics I can appreciate the great work and effective organisation by our Luxemburger Colleagues. My very deep respect and compliments to Armand Steinmetz, Jules Blau, Jerry Kridel and Carlo Sauber, just to name a few of the fantastic team. With the final Award Ceremony at the 23<sup>rd</sup> of November 2006 a great and fantastic Festival of Culinary Arts came to an end.

## **December 2006**

I visited our very good friends and very active colleagues from South Tyrol, who celebrated the 35. Anniversary of their Chefs Association. They created the first Wine label on a Red Wine bottle with the new WACS Logo.

I also visited Bratislava to inspect the facilities for our present WACS European Presidents Conference and had a very good meeting with the president Frantisek Janata, Robert Kmet and the secretary Zuzana.

## **January 2007**

At the end of January I was invited from the Czech Chefs Association to Liberec to be part of their convention and the Grand Presidents Ball. The Convention and the Ball were held in a very interesting Hotel called Babylon. A Hotel like a big fun park for families.

## **February 2007**

Invitation as a Judge to the WACS approved Culinary Show Artistica February 2007 in Rimini, Italy. The Show was organized by FIC Federazione Italiana Cuochi Under the guidance of the well known Chef Georgio Nardelli (Italy) as the Head Judge, FIC celebrated the 4<sup>th</sup> International Artistica at the Feira in Rimini. The Judges Group were established by 5 recognized Chefs, who carried out the difficult judging duties throughout all 4 days. I observed very high standard of work and excellent skills levels.

The competition was well organized and I also appreciated the great work and engagement of the Italian LADY CHEFS during the competition. They not only competed they also cooked and served a region speciality for the customer and raised funds for a charity.

## **March 2007**

As the chairman for the Conference I was preparing the WACS European Presidents Meeting together with our Slovakian Colleagues.

### **July 2007**

The WACS GMC committee had its first meeting. You will hear more about later on at the extra report WACS GMC. We discussed the minimum standards for GMC. Planning and cooperation WACS Global Chefs Challenge in Budapest. Doing all the invitations, preparations and organization together with the Hungarian Colleagues. Report on WACS website.

### **September 2007**

Member of the Jury in Tyrol "Big Cooking Contest" and Head Judge  
Organizing the contest WACS Global Chef Challenge in Budapest  
Visiting a big Chefs Festival in Bocács, in Hungarian Puszta with very old cooking methods, showed to the public.

### **October 2007**

Observer and Head Judge in Bled, Slovenia WACS GCC / Report and Observer Report on WACS website.

### **November 2007**

Observing three competitions in Leipzig:  
Leipzig Award; Junior Cup and European Erdgas Competition. With countries from Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia and Germany.

### **December 2007**

Head Judge at the Malta Kulinarjia with more than 120 Competitors.

### **February 2008**

Head Judge at the Cyprus Gastronomica Culinary Show with 4 National Teams: Czech Republic was the winner. All judging was done correctly by the WACS Culinary Guidelines.

Chairman at WACS Country Member Presidents Conference in Prag. The highlight was the patronage of the National Global Chefs Challenge of First Lady Mrs. Klausova Of the Czech Republic.

### **March 2008**

Announcement of the 6 approved Member Countries which are recognized from WACS with their Master Chef Program.  
This are Austria; Germany; Netherlands; Switzerland; USA and South Tyrol.

At least a few interesting information about the WACS Member Countries of my region:

### **Austria**

New election, Harry Fargel was reelected as President.

Participation in Budapest WACS Global Chefs Challenge Semi Final with a Chef from The Sacher Hotel.

In Tyrol their held a Junior Competition with more than 110 Competitors in hot kitchen competition. See extra Report at WACS website. Winner was a Junior Team from Slovenia. Bravo.

### **Czech Republic**

They have organized a International Chefs Day at 20<sup>th</sup> of October.

The first Lady Livina Klausova joined this event, when the colleagues collected 72.300 CZK for a children program.

From 21<sup>st</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> of Februar 2008 they will organize the WACS European Presidents Conference.

Participation in Budapest WACS Global Chefs Challenge Semi Final.

But also in Leipzig they participated.

AKC National Team won the International Competition in Nikosia, Cyprus. Bravo

### **Germany**

International Chefs Day, the Laurentius Festival in Bad Schussenried with more than 1200 Chefs celebrating this days by honor the Holy Man Laurentius. The chefs collected money for a children project and there was also organized a Junior-Fun-Competition.

Countrywide competition so called "Erdgaspokal, with an European Final in Leipzig.

Germany won this competition. Participants: Poland, Czech R, Slovakia, Germany

Participation in Budapest WACS Global Chefs Challenge Semi Final.

Several Junior Competition like German Championship, Achenbach Contest and REWE Cup countrywide, besides a lot of regional contests.

Hard working VKD presidium getting rid for the IKA Culinary Olympics.

### **Luxembourg**

Participation in Budapest WACS Global Chefs Challenge Semi Final.

Camille Schumacher was judging the Northern Europe WACS GCC Semi Final, also in Cyprus Gastronomica

### **Netherlands**

Participation in Budapest WACS Global Chefs Challenge Semi Final.

Toine Smulders won the Semi Final. Bravo

Wynand Vogel where participating with a team from Holland at the Kremlin Cup, also judging the WACS GCC in Budapest and in Malta Kulinarija and Cyprus Gastronomica.

### **Hungary**

These colleagues have done a fantastic job to fix and handle the WACS GCC Semi Final. It was a very exciting competition, VOX took 23 Minutes TV reportage.

The award ceremony was held in the famous Gundel Restaurant.

2 Days later they celebrated with more than 100 chef a festival with old cooking methods from their countryside the Puszta for the public.  
Participation in Budapest WACS Global Chefs Challenge Semi Final.

### **Poland**

Participation in Budapest WACS Global Chefs Challenge Semi Final.  
But also at the Int. Leipzig Award with Kurt Scheller as a judge. New President of Polish Chefs Association is Andrej Bryk.

### **Slovakia**

I sent them Axel Rühmann as a trainer for National Senior and Junior Team.  
Participation at the European Erdgas Cup in Leipzig.  
Report of Culinary Show at WACS website.

### **Switzerland**

Participation in Budapest WACS Global Chefs Challenge Semi Final.  
Also with the judge Adrian Bader and the second place winner.  
Where hosting the WACS GMC Committee at their meeting in Basel.

### **Uzbekistan**

Nothing heard from this corner in the east. 3000 € debts

### **South Tyrol \*\*\***

Have asked for an observer for their Master Chef Program in April next year.  
Wynand Vogel will go and check the quality of their program.

### **Club of Corinthia**

Below you will find information about some of the important issues I was involved for the last two years.

- Working in the Bylaws Committee with Chairman John Sloane.
- Board Meetings: Have been held in New York in September 2006 and in Santiago de Chile in March 2007; also in Frankfurt in December 2007

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