



INTERNATIONAL TENNIS TABLE FEDERATION
PARA TABLE TENNIS

TECHNICAL DELEGATE
REPORT

Name of Tournament: **British Open 2011**

Ranking Factor: **40**

Name of Responsible **BTTAD English Institute of Sport, Sheffield**

**Name of Chairman of
Organising Committee:** **Mr. John Timms**

Name of Technical Delegate: **Nico Verspeelt BEL**
Name of Deputy Technical Delegate: **Georgios Seliniotakis GRE**

**Report submitted to IPC
and IPTTC the:** **September 25, 2011**

Airport:

Manchester International Airport – 2 hours from Scheffield

Accommodation:

	<p>Jurys Inn accommodation for teams Number of rooms: 69 double rooms 142 double + single bed rooms 48 double + sofa (convert to a bed) rooms Accessibility: good in the hotel's public areas <i>Accessible rooms: 13</i> Width of entrance door: 84cm Width of bathroom door: 92cm Grab rails, seat in shower Step or doors to shower: none Bath or shower or combined: shower only Taps or levers: levers Teams</p>
	<p><i>The Copthorne Hotel</i> (next to Sheffield United FC) accommodation for teams Number of rooms: 158 Accessibility: in the hotel public areas is good <i>Accessible rooms: 8 twins</i> Width of entrance passage: 82cms Width of bathroom door: 85cms Grab rails, seat in shower: all available Step or doors to shower: none Bath or shower or combined: shower Taps or levers: levers</p>
	<p>Novotel Hotel Accommodation for team and officials Sheffield Centre Number of rooms: 144 including 4 suites, 12 executive rooms Accessibility: good in public areas <i>Accessible rooms: 4 (2 shower, 2 bath)</i> Width of entry door: 90cms Width of bathroom door: 87cms</p>
	<p><i>Holiday Inn Express</i> Number of rooms: 161 30 double rooms 59 double + sofa (convert to a bed) rooms 64 twin rooms Accessibility: good in the hotel's public areas <i>Accessible rooms: 8 (5 doubles and 3 twins)</i> Width of entrance door: 92cm Width of bathroom door: 92cm Grab rails, seat in shower Step or doors to shower: none Bath or shower or combined: shower only Taps or levers: levers</p>

More information's about the hotels there are in the Site inspection report published in official site at February 2011

Transport from / to airport / Hotel /Venue:

The organizer uses a company for the transport from the airport to the hotels, which was working well but some teams had to wait too long time in the airport.

Organizers had used enough minivans for wheelchair users and for standing.

For all the days of the competition, the transport started at 7:00.

There was a time schedule for the transport and it was announcement in all Hotels and in the venue

The transport runs very good with helpful drivers.

For the departure, there were many problems during the Sunday morning. Many people found many problems and the atmosphere seems chaotic. Problem also on arrival at the airport as the minivans didn't take care about the terminal of the people when starting from Sheffield!

We hope that everybody get his flight on time ?



Venue: **ENGLISH INSTITUTE OF SPORT**

Coleridge Road Sheffield S9 5DA

Playing hall:

Two Sport halls



Standing hall with 14 tables (40 X 54 m) with wooden floor



Wheelchair hall with 11 tables (20 X 40 m) and with special plastic floor (badminton floor)

Area Rule 51



There was some problems in rule 51 area because its far away from second hall and delay all system

Training hall:



There were 12 tables with special plastic floor

Lighting: Suitable about 1200 LUX
Rest rooms: 4 for men and 4 for women with 6 accessible toilets in grand floor
Meals :

- Lunch served in the special area in the venue.



Restaurant area

- Dinner and breakfast in the hotels

Water: Water was available during whole tournament – bottled in 0,5 - 3 bottles per person per day. There was also water fountain in the venue.

Referee table : in the playing hall
Deputy Referee : In the playing hall, computer staff in playing hall
Medical service : Doctor Team presented all the time in the sport hall
Wheelchair service : On call duty only
Officials' room : No special room for Officials but a small area as rest area



Umpires Rest area

Umpires : ENG 35, WAL 4, IRL 1, ITA 2, SLO 2, NED 1, JPN 3 , GGY 4 in total 52 Umpires.
Umpires were on different levels and not enough for 25 tables we should have 76 umpires for 25 competition tables.

Equipment :
Tables: 25 Butterfly Centerfold, Green – wheelchairs accessible, ITTF approved



Scorers: Butterfly, ITTF approved

Towel Boxes: Butterfly



Net/Post: Butterfly Europa, ITTF approved



Surroundings: Butterfly, ITTF approved



Balls: Butterfly *** white

Program: Playing days September 14 – 17, 2011
September 13. Draw for individual event made by Referee and TD
Umpires meeting at 20:00 and Team leaders meeting at 21:00
September 14. Start of competition for Singles events
September 15. Second stage and Finals of Singles and start of Teams events
September 16. Teams Events.
September 17. Second Stage and Finals of Team Events. Medal ceremonies

Competition hours:

September 14 2011	9:00 – 21:00
September 15 2011	9:00 – 22:00
September 16 2011	9:00 - 20:30
September 17 2011	9:00 - 18:00

Number of Participants:

MEN	219
WOMEN	93
Leaders-coaches-staff	112
Together	414

Players from 43 countries were participating at the tournament:

EU Region:	28 AUT, BEL, CRO, CZH, DEN, FIN, FRA, GER, GBR, GRE, HUN, ISL, IRL, ISR, ITA, NED, POL, ROM, RUS, SRB, SLO, ESP, SWE, SUI ,SVK, TUR, UKR
America Region:	5 BRA, CAN, CRC, USA, VEN
Asia Region:	9 TPE, HKG, INA, JPN, JOR, KOR, MAC, SIN, THA,
Oceania:	1 AUS.

Transport: It work without problems and on time schedule during the competitions but with many problems during the departures.

Meeting: There was the meeting for team leaders and umpires without problems

Results: There was some mistakes in result but was due to umpire mistakes – some had not enough experience in International Events !

Officials:

Referee:	Mr. Steve Welch	ENG
Deputy Referees	Mr. Francesco Nuzzo	ITA
	Mr. Mick Strode	ENG
	Mrs. Isabelle Beuimer	BEL
Technical Delegate	: Mr. Nico Verspeelt	BEL
Deputy Technical Delegate:	Mr . Georgios Seliniotakis	GRE
Classifier	: Dr. Juraj Stefak	SVK
Competition Adviser	Harvey Webb	
BTTAD Advisers	Peter Taylor, Mike Smith	
Field of Play Manager:	Jim Kenny	
Deputy Field of Play Manager:	Ken Eliot, Dennis Beech	
Field of Play Support Staff	: Rod Bly , Stuart Element	
Ball Patroller Supervisors	: Shaun Newcomb , Cheryl Alvey , Sonya Denby, Roger Hales, Graham Pegram	
Umpires Manager:	Diane Webb	
Deputy Umpires Manager:	Margaret Calver	

Player Liaison in Area 51 (Call Zone): Brenda Hudson, Sandra Deaton, Shirley Pickering, Wendy Beech

Results Administration Team: Nigel Ashley, Dave Capewell, Richard Hudson , Mat Morris , Margaret Welch
General Support- Shaun Newcomb, Mark Palmer

Medical services: 24 hours open at hospital. Hospital was informed about the tournament and the doctor was in the hall in 5 minutes on call if necessary.

Wheelchair service: On call.

Ball boys: There was not for all tables

- **Evaluation**

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| 1) Accommodation | Very good |
| 2) Transport | Very good except the departures |
| 3) Meals | Lunch was not to good but all others was very well. |
| 4) Venue | Very good |
| 5) Training hall | Very good |
| 6) Tables | Very good |
| 7) Referee | Good |
| 8) Deputy Referee | Good |

Congratulation for a good organized tournament.

The OC was very flexible and friendly and the atmosphere was good.

Nico Verspeelt
Georgios Seliniotakis