

15th ASIAN GAMES DOHA 2006 DAGBS NEWSLETTER

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INFORMATION AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD

Available now online in the download section of the DAGBS website, www.dagbs.tv are:

- **Version 15 of the DAGOC Competition Programme** (and an explanation of the changes).
- **V15 of the DAGBS Broadcast Transmission Schedules**. There is both a simplified schedule and a schedule detailing the official competition timings.
- Details on **venue parking and media drop-off maps**.
- The revised list of **venue codes**, following the change of code at the Doha Sailing club venue.

There is also a link to the Doha 2006 website which contains downloadable versions of the **DAGOC Media Services Guide**.

QTEL AND DAGOC INTERNATIONAL CALLING CARD UPDATES

Following up on two issues raised during the first Broadcaster Briefing, Qtel has released the list of International Call Rates and they are now available in the DAGOC & Qtel Documents area in the download section of the DAGBS website.

Qtel and DAGOC can confirm that all unused (not opened) pre-paid cards will be reimbursed in the same manner in which they were paid for (i.e. cash/credit card).

MMC 'HARD' OPENING

The 'hard' opening of the MMC commences on 24 November. Many facilities including the medical service, located in the main lobby, will be open 24 hours a day. Most of the retail outlets will be open until 21:00 or 23:00.

For full details of the MMC services & facilities please refer to the IBC Broadcast Information Office.

BASKETBALL BEGINS DAGBS COVERAGE

DAGBS is ready to begin its production of the 15th Asian Games and tomorrow marks the commencement of DAGBS live coverage with the start of the Basketball competition at the Sports City's Basketball Indoor Hall. The competition kicks-off with Round 1 of the Men's team tournament, with the first game tipping off at 12:00.

Coverage continues with DAGBS shooting the Basketball events on 24 and 26 November and the same day sees the start of the Volleyball - Indoor tournament.



THE LOCAL EXPERIENCE...



Hassan Al-Emadi - where the action is

Hassan Al-Emadi, Doha resident and Qatari national is excited about working as a DAGBS camera and audio assistant at the Khalifa Stadium for the Opening Ceremonies. Hassan joined DAGBS after taking part in the company's Trainee Programme. "The traineeship is everything that I expected," he enthuses, "I chose this position because I like being where the action is."

Currently studying at the College of North Atlantic-Qatar, Hassan plans to spend the next academic year at Concordia University in Montreal, Canada and earn his Bachelors Degree in Telecommunications and Engineering. Working with DAGBS will undoubtedly prepare him for the rigorous demands of his university education. Commenting on the traineeship, Hassan says: "The hours are long but when you work with a team and you see everyone working hard it motivates you to give more."

When not studying, Hassan enjoys following his favourite Qatari football team, Al Arabi, and listening to music. Hassan is excited that his country is hosting the 15th Asian Games. "It is a big change for Qatar," he says "I am pleased about all of the new construction and that many people are working and visiting the country. Soon the world will know about Qatar." He continues, "I hope that we will have the opportunity to host the 2016 Olympic Games."

GRAND OPENING OF THE IBC ON 24 NOVEMBER

The official opening of the IBC will take place on 24 November, starting with a ribbon cutting ceremony at the IBC entrance at 14:00.

Visiting guest VIPs and DAGOC executives will be present and Rights Holders should note that there are no restrictions on filming.

Please note that the start time of the second Broadcaster Briefing will be maintained at 11:00 on the morning of 24 November. The third Briefing is scheduled for 28 November.

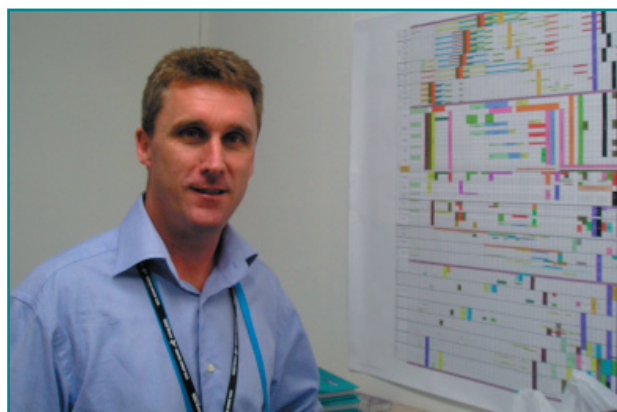
DAGBS PROFILE - GARY SHAW, HEAD OF OPERATIONS

Gary Shaw, DAGBS Head of Operations, is responsible for all of the DAGBS operational activities at the venues.

Currently managing the installation phase of the DAGBS production plan, Gary's office is besieged by a constant ringing of telephone calls. "Right now my job is to get all these teams working and the processes standardised across the venues," says Gary.

Gary, who is no stranger to working in Asia, is liaising with the Broadcast Venue Managers (BVMs) who are currently setting up their individual venues. For the Operations team, as for so many other departments in DAGBS, this pre-Games period to the 15th Asian Games is filled with excitement and anticipation of what is to follow.

An experienced hand in network television and the host broadcast industry, and a passionate Liverpool FC supporter, Gary began his professional career as an accountant where he expanded on his directive of taking interest only in things that cost money to a greater desire in wanting to understand how everything works. It is this aspiration coupled with his love for sport that inspires the Operation Department's winning tradition of getting everything 'worked out' before the start of the Games.



Gary Shaw - understanding how everything works

DAGBS WEBSITE AND CONTACT INFO (WWW.DAGBS.TV)

The DAGBS website complements existing DAGBS printed material and features information on Venues, Production, Telecom, Broadcast and other general and technical data. The website is updated frequently with the latest DAGBS news and information.

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