



WBSC OCEANIA CONDEFERATION NATIONAL FEDERATION ACTIVITIES REPORT FOR 2023

National Federation: PALAU SOFTBALL FEDERATION (PSF)

Officers: President: Florence John A. Sokau

Secretary: Vilorina Riungel

VP/Treasurer: Carolyn D. Ngiraidis

NF Staff: No paid staff (need to recruit an Sports Development Officer)

Objectives & Major Achievements for the Year:

1. Strengthen our National Federation Organizational Structure
2. Hire a Sports Development Officer (SDO)
3. Secure a International Expert to set up Coaching/Scoring/Umpiring Structure & Certification

Through our membership @ WBSC Oceania and WBSC it is our desire to work towards having a strong Organizational Structure in place so we can start building capacity of young empires, coaches and scorers. By inviting an international expert to be on island to assist us set this up and work with the SDO to create a year-round softball activities and clinics with the goal of having these young adults manage national and regional games. Once we have achieved this, then next step is looking at the international level of competitions. We hope to secure funding through our NOC and WBSC Oceania and WBSC to achieve these.

Attendance & Results at International / Regional Tournaments: Palau Softball Federation in partnership with our NOC has been able to send men and womens fastpitch teams to the Micronesian Games in Pohnpei 2016, where the Palau National Womens team garnered GOLD and Men's team to the Pacific Games in 2017 garnered Bronze. There were no mens and womens fastpitch softball at the recently concluded Pacific-Mini games in Saipan in 2021. The 2023 Micronesian Games to be held in the Republic of the Marshalls Islands will be held July 25 – Aug 5, 2023, where we will be sending the National Womens Fastpitch team. We understand at the 2023 Pacific Games in the Solomons Islands, there will be no Fastpitch Softball event.

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Competitions Conducted: In 2022, there was no Belau National Games for the Under 18 years, as the NOC team of officials, athletes and administrators were in Saipan for the Pacific mini-games. In 2021, the National Belau Games was held and Palau Softball Federation managed a total of 9 mens fastpitch teams and 8 womens fastpitch teams from the participating states of Palau. After the 2022 National Belau Games, our NOC informed us that moving forward Fastpitch Softball will only focus on development of the Womens National Team to regional games.

Courses (Coaching/Development/Technical) / Junior Development Programmes Conducted:

With the hiring of a Sports Development Officer (SDO) and bringing in an international expert we hope to develop a sustainable year-round activity to solicit interest from the public and private schools in Palau for Umpiring, Coaching and Scorer.

Activities in Junior Sport Development:

Having access to the WBSC Academy and the Support for Youth and Community and the schools, it is our desire to create a sustainable and tiered structure for different levels of entry to entice youth from the primary and secondary schools who wish to consider to be an elite athlete and for an athletic scholarship.

Financial Overview:

Our NOC provides financial support for us to run our Belau National games. For community tournaments and special holiday events team registration fees is assessed to cover the costs of hosting tournaments and issue trophies. Our aim is to secure two Premium Sponsors to host bi-annual leagues starting with 2023.

Please note: We would appreciate all quality photos for your annual report to be included as attachments to this document.

Submitted by: [Florence John A. Sokau](#) President, PSF

For 
Signature

4 February 2023

**Please enclose some photograph of activities with suitable caption and email to
Chet Gray - WBSC Oceania Secretary General (secretarygeneral@wbscoceania.org)
by Friday 3 February 2023**