

**To ISIA Asia Members, Coaches, & Skaters –**

**CONGRATULATIONS on CELEBRATING 25 YEARS of ISIA Asia!!!**

When I moved to Dubai and Ted Wilson moved to Hong Kong in 1987, I remember the very first ISI competition we held in 1988 at Cityplaza Ice Palace. Of course, I will also never forget the very first *Skate Asia* competition in 1989. That was truly the start of SOMETHING BIG!

Over the next 10 years, the rapid growth of ice skating in Southeast Asia led to the formation of ISIA Asia in 1999. Since then, thousands of skaters have been introduced to the sport of skating and ISI competitions throughout Asia and the Middle East. I am proud to see continued growth of the participating rinks, coaches, and skaters in many countries across the region.

I am very grateful for the opportunity I had to direct 10 years of *Skate Asia* competitions in Malaysia, Hong Kong, Thailand, Taiwan, the Philippines, and China – and 12 years of *Skate Singapore* competitions. I also directed the first international skating competitions in Dubai, UAE and Surabaya, Indonesia.

On this special 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ISIA Asia, I send each of you my personal thanks for your continued support and participation in ISIA Asia skating programs and events. As a skating coach for the past 48 years, I also know that seeing skaters of all ages achieve their goals and perform their programs is a wonderful tribute to your coaching success.

Even though I have not traveled to Asia for many years, I often remember my Asian skating friends and have many fond memories from all those years of competition events. I send my very best wishes for MANY MORE SUCCESSFUL SKATING YEARS to each of you – and for ISIA Asia too!



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