



Winter is coming and the Nordic Ways Changchun Vasaloppet Office now has full focus on Vasaloppet China 2007 the Fifth years' Celebration! December is coming, although the weather is cold, there is little snow in Changchun. This makes the snow production more important and difficult, but with joint efforts, both the alpine ski slopes and cross-country ski tracks are now ready and open to the public.

The New Arena Construction and Track Preparations

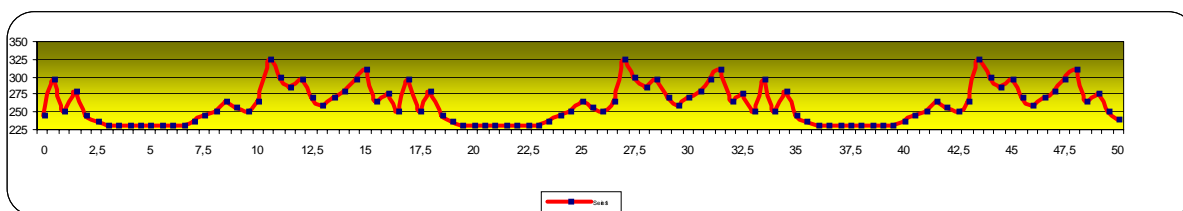


Besides the snow production, the construction work of the new arena for Vasaloppet China and World Cup 2007 is also being carried out in Jingyuetan Park. Based on the new arena design report (Sep. 13, 2006) from Mr. Hermod Bjorkestol (FIS homologation expert), the local government has approved and given permission to cut and/or move another nearly 300 trees in Jingyuetan Park(another 300 trees had been moved or cut already last year), in order to achieve an ideal arena and ultimate tracks. That means it will be the first Cross-country track gets FIS certificate in China. The new arena – together with all the snow sculptures – is quite amazing, and next time you visit Jingyuetan Park you will probably be positively surprised over the changes and progress.

This year's Jingyuetan Vasa Ice & Snow Sports venue is designed by a Harbin Ice & Snow Design Company, who has cooperated with the park some years already. This year, the main snow sculpture at the arena will be the Beautiful Goddess instead of last year's Hunter. Moreover, lots of small snow sculptures will be made for the different participants



from all over the world during the festival, each of them symbolizing their individual countries.





Ski Education Project

This year's Ski Education Project started on November 25 with support of Jilin Province Education Bureau as past years. Prior hereto, on November 9, the Jilin Province Education Bureau organized a meeting with the universities to inform about the selective Cross-Country Ski Course for college students and *the Second Jilin Province College Students Cross-Country Ski Competition* – which started last year and has been planned to become an annual event and to be the warming-up competition for Vasaloppet. Each university will still organize an elite student team (20 boys and 10 girls) to take part in the Students Competition on December 24 – a date that also marks the Opening Ceremony of the Jingyuetan Vasa Ice & Snow Sports venue. There will be 30.000 students take part in the training program in total, and about 15,000 students from 16 universities will be involved the Vasaloppet China's student race. Besides the competition on Dec.24, most of the students will take part in the Vasaloppet race on Jan.2 with the mass start which is predicted to be several thousand participants involved. That will be definitely no doubt a landmark for Vasaloppet China!



Another 4-Year Contract Signing of Vasaloppet China

Vasaloppet China has been successfully held four times in Changchun, making everyone full of enthusiasm, attracting people from all parts of the world. For enriching its content and making it more attractive, leaded by mayor Zhuyehjing, Changchun government officials and Nordic Ways International AB signed another 4 years agreement on cooperation between two parties on 20th, Nov, in Beijing. Swedish embassy, the general secretary of Chinese Ski Association Gaoxuedong, and other government officials also presented. The ambassador made a speech welcoming mayor Zhu and other officials, in which he delivered that Vasaloppet China is not only a bridge of friendship between Sweden and China, but also a good stage of communication and culture & business exchanges. Mayor echoed the ambassador's speech that Vasaloppet China has made Changchun the center of cross country ski, and it accelerated the culture & business exchanges between Changchun and Europe. The general secretary of Chinese Ski Association spoke highly of the Vasaloppet China which popularize the cross country ski and would definitely make Changchun with more attraction in sports and resort. This contract will last 4 years which includes the details of cooperation between Nordic Ways and Changchun government from 2008 to 2011.





Special Ski Fun Weekend on Vasaloppet Tracks

Arranged by the Nordic Ways International AB, Jingyuetan National Forest Park, Changchun government and Browser company, a special ski fun was played by more than 50 people from browser company and other foreign companies on Vasaloppet tracks. The big party not only promoted the sport itself, but also Vasaloppet China. These participants came from different countries of world. Besides booting the tourism with foreigners taking part in the party, the Special ski fun also extended the exchanges between Changchun and other countries, making them know more about



Changchun Vasaloppet China.

These special foreign guests including some children, invited by Nordic Ways, were all interested in the cross country ski on the Vasa tracks and saw about the preparation for Vasaloppet China in 2007. The special ski fun was to extend the influence of Vasaloppet China in Europe, especially Western Europe, and attracting more foreign firms to invest in the ski industry in Changchun. It is estimated that more than 1000 foreign athletes would take part in the Vasaloppet China of 2007, with the total number about 10000 people.

The Beauty Contest of Vasa Angel

The beauty contest for the angel of Vasaloppet China of 2007 has attracted more than 3000 girls signed up, some of them are from colleges and others from different fields. On 5th Dec, 20 college students from Jilin university, Northeastern Normal university and other colleges won the accreditation of the final contest. They showed up their talents by their personalities, English skills and comprehensive knowledge, judged by the experts in culture, sports and other fields. The applause belonged to them who took part in this special beauty contest. The 20 top candidates would get 10-day training for the final contest of Vasa angel, who will attend all kinds of ceremonies and activities of Vasaloppet China and present Vasaloppet Sweden as the Ambassador of Vasaloppet China. Let us looking forward to see who will be the champion, the Vasa angel with laurel.



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