

### **III F.I.T.E OPEN TOURNAMENT** **SIGÜEIRO – OROSO** **GALICIA- ESPAÑA**

The third edition of the international tournament of I.T.F TaeKwon-do organized by the International TaeKwon-Do Federation of Spain "F.I.T.E" and the Noia Club of contact sports, took place on May 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> in the town of Sigüeiro - Oroso belonging to the Galician community.

It is necessary to highlight that the event is the first time that leaves the capital of Spain, thanks to the sponsorship and support of Concello of Oroso and the Galician Sports Foundation. The event had representatives of different countries of Europe and America like Portugal, Italy, France, Finland, England, Chile, Venezuela, Argentina, Uruguay, and Spain with the participation of the autonomous communities from Madrid, Galicia, Canarias, Malaga, Mallorca, and Barcelona.



250 athletes participated in different categories from 5 years and up, and during two days the public could enjoy the show. The first day was where the kids left clear that the future is promising, highlighting to the best competitors Daniel Ramos and Cristina Calvo from Andalusia and Galician communities. The first day closing ceremony was in charge of Bretema company, with a very nice Disney show focused to the smallest TaeKwon-Do players.

The second day was reserved for the Junior and Senior categories, where the public could enjoy with the execution of the patterns - Tul -, Individual and teams; without forgetting the sparring that arrived to their more attractive point in the Great Champion Category for black belts. It is necessary to highlight the trophies to the best female and male juniors competitors, for the Andalusian Melody Navarro and Alredo De Bonis from Canarias respectively. The best Senior Male competitor was the Italian Maurizio Troiano IV degree, who won with authority the categories of

individual Pattern and individual Sparring; and the female award went to the Galician Tania Iglesias.

The performance of the Spanish national team directed by Antonio Blanco, that actually is preparing for the next European Championship that will be held in Germany, was vibrant arriving to the final against the Galician team which lost in last fight.

The opening and closing ceremonies were in charge of the local authorities, Mr. Manuel Miras Franqueira, Mr. Carlos Noia Fernández, Mr. Eduardo Veiras Rey, Mr. José Raña Pulleiro, Mr. Javier Rico, Mr. Antonio Leira and Mr. Manuel Cruz.



The F.I.T.E president expressed his gratefulness to all the participants and sponsors for his brilliant performance and highlighted Mr. Juan Ramon Vidal, delegate from Galicia, who was the first responsible that the event went to Galician lands. The president of the federation didn't want to forget the intense work carried out by the referees, thanks to which the event arrived to good end.

After the ceremony awards the event was closed until the next edition in 2007.

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