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Days to the Opening

EAG News

- The first events of the East Asian Games will take place on Wednesday 2 December, when the basketball, football, volleyball and table tennis competitions will get underway. Highlights include Hong Kong's men's basketball team playing against Guam in at Western Park Sports Centre at 8 p.m. and the football competition kicking off with Japan playing the People's Republic of Korea at 7 p.m. at the Siu Sai Wan Sports Ground.
- On 5 December, Hongkong Post will issue a special set of Hong Kong 2009 East Asian Games stamps. The set of six stamps contains two designs for each of the three denominations, featuring all the 22 sports in the 5th EAG. Details about this set of special stamps and the associated philatelic products are available on the Hongkong Post website at www.hongkongpost.com.

Upcoming Publicity Events

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| 28 November | Dress rehearsal for EAG at Queen Elizabeth Stadium and Hong Kong Park |
| 29 November | Yuen Long Community Torch Relay |
| 1 December | Press Conference on Traffic and Crowd Management Arrangement for the Opening Ceremony and Competition Events |
| 4 December | Flag Raising Ceremony at the Olympic Square, Hong Kong Park |

EAG Fact File

The first six gold medals of the games will be awarded on 5 December. These will include three medals in cue sports, two in cycling (BMX) and one in shooting. Two Hong Kong cyclists Stephen Wong (2006 Asian Games Champion) and Alex Hunter (Bronze medalist in the 11th National Games 2009) will compete in the Men's BMX competition, which will likely produce the first gold medalist of the 5th EAG.

Important Notes

- EAG tickets are still available online at www.hkticketing.com or by phone on 31 288 288.
- Spectators will be encouraged to wear red for the EAG Opening Ceremony on Saturday 5 December.