

Draw for the CPISRA football 7-a-side world championships 2011

Brazil and The Netherlands will play the opening match of the CPISRA Football 7-a-side world championships 2011 in The Netherlands. That was the result of the draw that was performed at an annual gala night of sports in the Province of Drenthe where the world championships will be held in June. Local and provincial governors made the draw procedure in a circus tent that was erected for the occasion in the presence of well known sports people form the north of the country thus underlining the importance the Province of Drenthe attributes to the event.

The opening match of the two week tournament will kick off at 7.30 pm in the 8000 seater stadium of FC Emmen.on Friday 17 June. FC Emmen still cherishes the summer of 2005 when the likes of Lionel Messi and Cesc Fabregas played their matches with Argentina and Spain respectively in front of a capacity crowd at the FIFA World Youth Cup.

The 7-a-side teams of The Netherlands and Brazil will play in group A, together with Australia and Spain. In group B Ukraine. Scotland. Canada and an additional team will face each other for a slot in the second round. Russia, England, Argentina en Korea Republic will play in Group C. Lastly, group D will consist of Iran, Republic of Ireland, USA and Japan.

The matches of the CPISRA football 7-a-side world championships will be played in the cities of Assen (the pitch of local football club Achilles '94), Emmen (SC Angelslo and FC Emmen) and Hoogeveen (VV De Weide). The final matches are scheduled for 1 July in the FC Emmen stadium. The seven best teams of this event will qualify for the London 2012 Paralympics.

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