



FIFA Beach Soccer World Cup 2008 Qualifier DUBAI
Dubai, United Arab Emirates – 6-10 May

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Day 3 Recap

Results and match schedule (GMT +3)

May 6 (Tuesday) – Matches

20:00 Philippines 2 x 8 Japan
Followed by Uzbekistan 2 x 6 UAE

May 7 (Wednesday) – Matches

20:00 Iran 5 x 2 Philippines
Followed by China 4 x 3 Uzbekistan

May 8 (Thursday) – Matches

20:00 Japan (1) 1 x 1(1) Iran
Followed by UAE 5 x 0 China

May 9 (Friday) – Semi final Matches*

20:00 - Match 7 (Semi-final 1): 1st Group B X. 2nd Group A
Followed by - Match 8 (Semi-final 2): 1st Group A X 2nd Group B

May 10 (Saturday) – Play-off for 3rd place and Final*

20:00 - Match 9 (3rd / 4th) Loser M7 X Loser M8
Followed by - Match 10 Final Winner M7 X Winner M8
Followed by - Awards Ceremony

***Times and order of the games can altered according to the TV requirements.**



Standings:

<u>Group A</u>	Team	Points	Goals sc.	Goals rec.	Goal diff	Red Cards	Yellow Cards
1	UAE*	6	11	2	+9	0	0
2	China*	3	4	8	-4	0	1
3	Uzbekistan	0	5	10	-5	0	1

<u>Group B</u>	Team	Points	Goals sc.	Goals rec.	Goal diff	Red Cards	Yellow Cards
1	Japan*	5	9	3	+6	0	0
2	Iran*	3	6	3	+3	0	1
3	Philippines	0	4	13	-9	0	1

* clinched semifinal berth

Match 5 – Group B - Thursday, May 8

FINAL SCORE: Japan (1)1 x 1(0) Iran

Japan x Iran had all the ingredients what makes of Beach Soccer such an exciting sport. Both teams went for victory, created loads of opportunities and tied into extra-time until Japan eventually decided the game on penalties. Japan took an early lead by Yamautchi who scored his sixth goal of the tournament which brings him another inch closer to becoming the top scorer of the Dubai Showdown. Iran did everything to come back in the game but failed to do so until the beginning of the third period when Bouloukbashi had a brilliant moment and launched a rocket into the back of the net from 12 yards out. The outset of day three was decided by penalties. Japan scored, Iran didn't. The shell-shocked Iran side will take heart from the fact that, as winning the first game against Philippines, they earned a place alongside Japan in the semi finals, but for now they will just wonder what happened.

Japan			Iran		
#	PLAYER	Starters	#	PLAYER	Starters
1	Terukina		1	H. Ghorbanpour	X
4	Makino	X	3	H. Abdollahi	X
5	Tabata		4	A. Aligholli	
6	Uehara		5	A. Naderi	X
7	Oda		6	Z. Imani	
8	Arakaki		8	F. Bouloukbashi	
9	Yamauchi	X	9	M. Mesigar	X
10	Yoshii	X	10	A. Hashempour	
11	Wakabayashi	X	11	M. Ahmadzadeh	
12	Ginoza	X	12	M. Marfavi	X
Head coach: Takeshi Kawaharazuka			Head coach: Farssad Falahtzadeh		



Referees:

1st Zhiwei Geng (CHN)
 2nd Walled Ali Yousef Al Ali (UAE)
 3rd Carlos Frazao (POR)
 4th Faisal ahmed sallam (UAE)

SCORE CHART:

Goal Scorer	Time left	Period	JPN	IRN
#9 Yamautchi	11'30	1	1	0
#8 F. Bouloukbashi	1'30	3	1	1

Penalty shoot-out

#9 Yamautchi	1	0
#8 Bouloukbashi	1	0

TEAM	CARDS			
	Player	Card*	Period	Time left
Japan				
Iran	#3 H. Abdollahi	Y	3	1'00

* Y: yellow; R: red

Quote Takeshi

We've accomplished our main goal, which was ending first in our group. Now I hope that U.A.E. beats China, so we can play them in the final. Last year I was in Dubai as a player and they beat us twice. Since that day I've been kind of hoping we would meet again.



Match 6 – Group A - Thursday, May 8

FINAL SCORE: UAE 5 x 0 China

U.A.E. left China no chance in the second game of day three of the Dubai Qualifier. The defending champions notched their second victory of the tournament by defeating China 5-0. A precious three-point haul for the host, who put the East Asians back with both feet on the ground.

UAE			China		
#	PLAYER	Starters	#	PLAYER	Starters
1	Abbas. M		1	ZH H Zhou	
2	Qambar. M	X	2	H Qui	
4	Haidar. A		4	X G Han	X
5	Ali Kozad		5	H Guo	
6	Saeed. A		6	J Gao	
7	A. Sulaiman		7	Y Zhuang	
8	Rami. A	X	8	M Ren	X
9	Ali Karim	X	10	L Yu	X
10	Bakhit. S	X	11	W Lu	X
22	Mohamed A.	X	12	M Qi	X
Head coach: Marcelo Mendes			Head coach: Rodrigo Stocler		

Referees:

1st Carlos Frazao (POR)
 2nd Masahiro Sakurada (JPN)
 3rd Taskuka Onodera (JPN)
 4th Sanya Kantaviti (THA)

SCORE CHART:

Goal Scorer	Time	Period	UAE	CHN
#8 Rami. A	1'55	2	1	0
#4 Haidar. A	4'29	2	2	0
#10 Bakhit. S	9'22	2	3	0
#9 Ali Karim	3'25	3	4	0
#2 Qambar. M	9'33	3	5	0

TEAM	CARDS			
	Player	Card*	Period	Time left
UAE				



China				

* Y: yellow; R: red

Quote Rodrigo Stockler(China Coach)

Obviously I would have loved to win this game, but it didn't happen. We didn't play well and missed quite a lot of chances early in the game. The more experienced team took the three points today and is by my opinion a serious contender for the Dubai trophy.

Quote Marcelo Mendes(UAE Coach)

This win is the culmination of all our hard work during the preparation of this competition. My men played a beautiful game today. We didn't score in the first period, but didn't get anxious and the goals soon followed. China are a very tough side, but still have a lot to learn, both technically and tactically. With my friend Rodrigo running the team, I think they still make a shot to qualify for Marseille.

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