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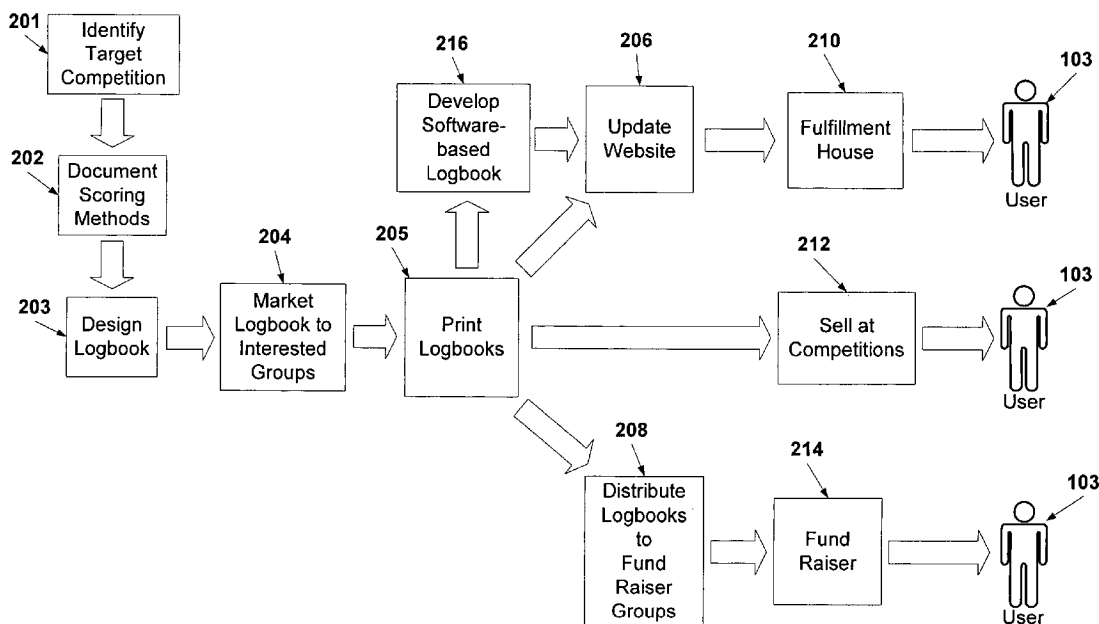
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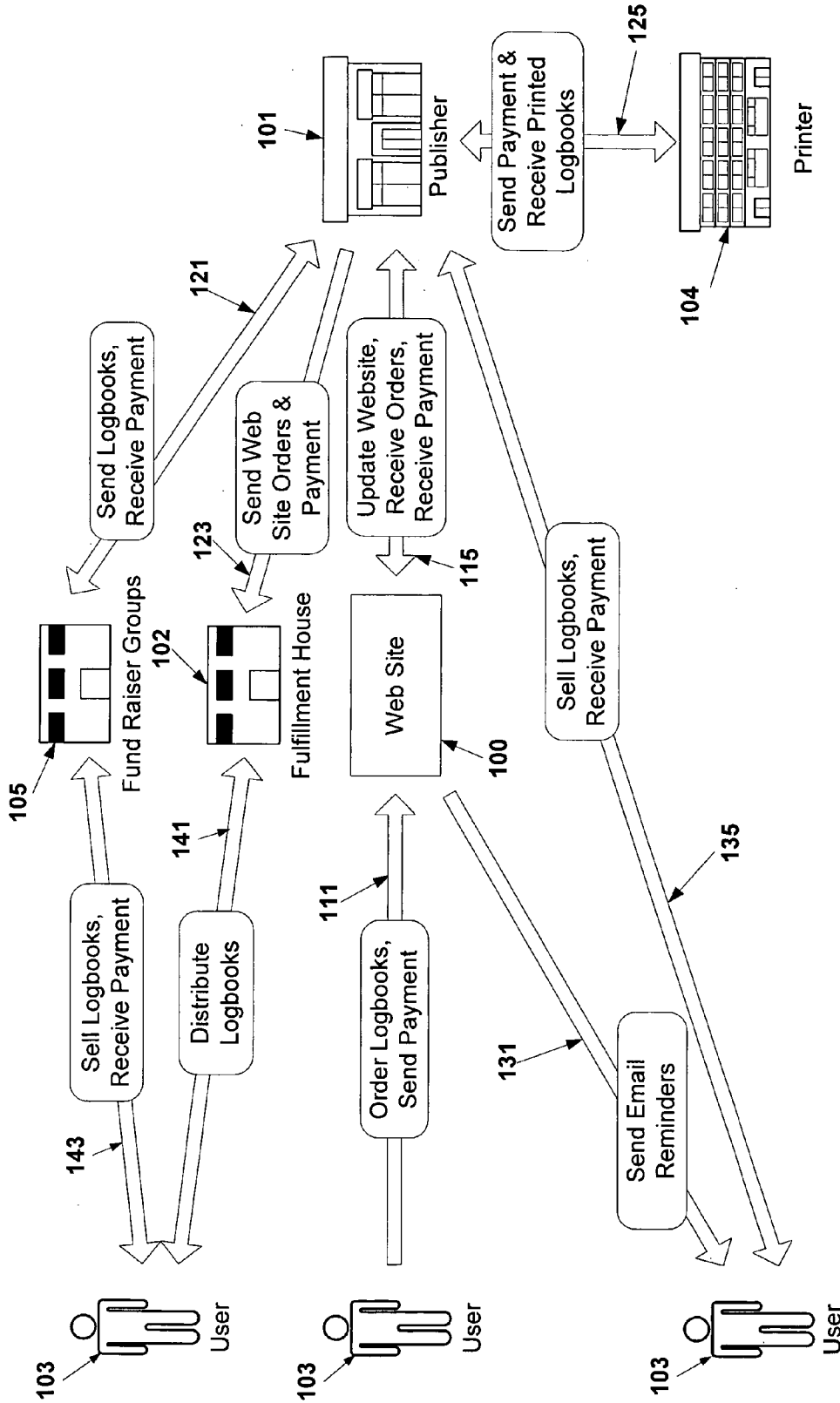


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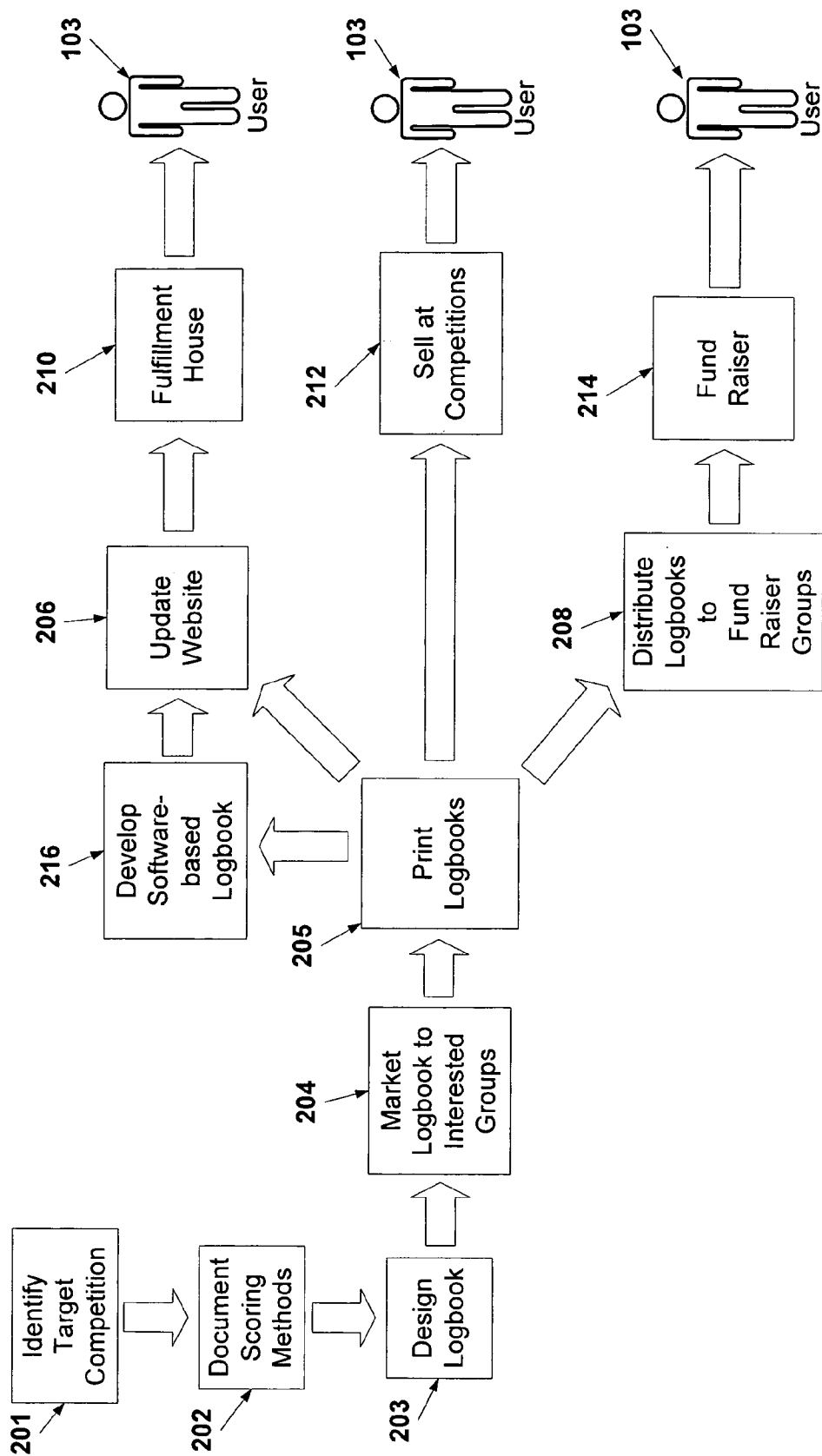


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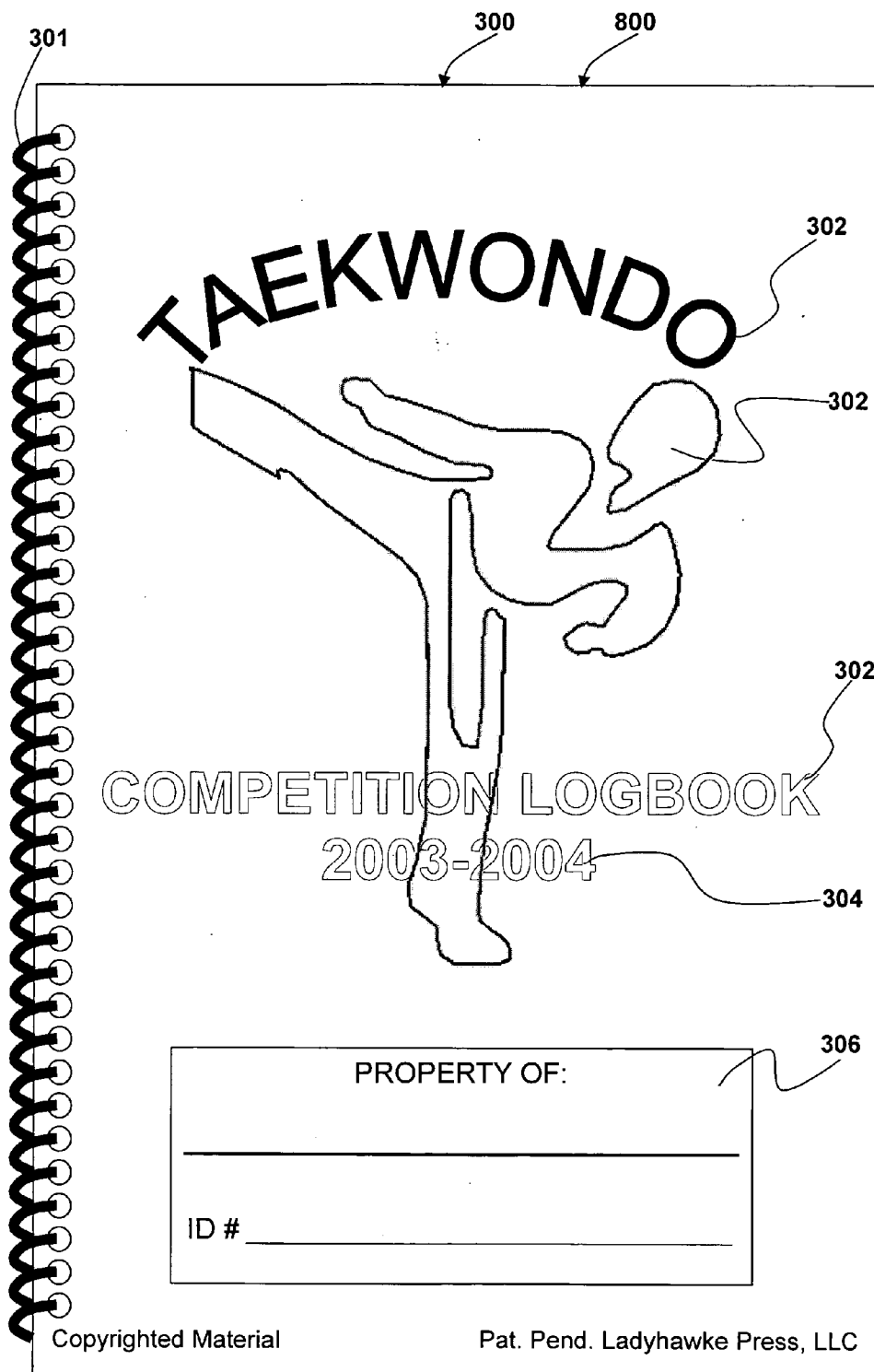


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## Introduction

Taekwondo is a sport for self-defense that originated in Korea. It is a combination of various independent techniques or fundamentals, which can be applied in an almost infinite number of variations. Taekwondo differs from most other martial arts in that many of its blows are made with the feet instead of the hands. This sport is known for its flying kicks; it is fun and exciting to either watch or participate in this style of martial arts.

Taekwondo was accepted as an official sport by the U.S. Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) in 1975, and adopted as an official sports event by the International Council of Military Sports (CISM) the following year. With the continued help and support from many different individuals in various Taekwondo associations over the years, Taekwondo was designated as an official event in the World Games in 1981 and the Pan-American Games in 1986. It was finally selected as an official Olympic event for the first time during the 2000 Olympiad held in Sydney, Australia. Taekwondo will also be one of the official events in the 2004 Olympic games held in Athens, Greece.

## Personal Goals

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With the many different styles of Taekwondo that are practiced, and the many different accrediting organizations, Taekwondo offers something for everyone. Some organizations focus on those who have dreams of obtaining a berth on an Olympic team, others hold open tournaments where every affiliation is welcome, still others give their members a chance to win a State or World Champion title within that association by accumulating points earned in tournament competition. But regardless of the competitor's association affiliation, common tenets of respect, honor, loyalty, courtesy, discipline, and perseverance are found at the basis of this sport.

FIG. 4

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### Competition

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### Competition Logbook

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FIG. 6

CLASS TOURNAMENT			
# Of Competitors	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
5 or more			
4			
3			
2			N/A
1		N/A	N/A

CLASS C TOURNAMENT			
# Of Competitors	1st Place	2nd Place	3rd Place
5 or more	3	2	1
4	2	1	0
3	0	0	0
2	0	0	N/A
1	0	N/A	N/A

FIG. 7

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COMPETITOR'S NAMES	JUDGE A SCORING	CENTER JUDGE SCORING	JUDGE B SCORING	TOTAL SCORE
514	516	516	516	518

<b>RESULTS</b>	1st PLACE	520
	2nd PLACE	520
	3rd PLACE	520

TOTAL COMPETITORS	522
COMPETITOR PLACED	(circle) 1st 2nd 3rd
POINTS AWARDED	526

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<b>RESULTS</b>	1st PLACE	
	2nd PLACE	
	3rd PLACE	

TOTAL COMPETITORS	
COMPETITOR PLACED	(circle) 1st 2nd 3rd
POINTS AWARDED	

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**SPARRING COMPETITION**

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If more than 8 competitors, use additional pages.

Fill in competitor's names inside boxes, stroke count scoring on lines. Match goes to first to reach 5 points, or leader when time runs out. If there is a tie, then sudden death. Match goes to whoever scores next.

**ROUND 1**

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**ROUND 2**

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**ROUND 3**

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**ROUND 4**

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**ROUND 5**

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<b>RESULTS</b>	
1st PLACE	520
2nd PLACE	520
3rd PLACE	520

TOTAL COMPETITORS	522
COMPETITOR PLACED	(circle) 1st 2nd 3rd
POINTS AWARDED	526

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TOURNAMENT LOCATION	
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**ROUND 2**

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**ROUND 3**

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**ROUND 4**

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**ROUND 5**

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WHITE

<b>RESULTS</b>	
1st PLACE	
2nd PLACE	
3rd PLACE	

TOTAL COMPETITORS	
COMPETITOR PLACED	(circle) 1st 2nd 3rd
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FIG. 9





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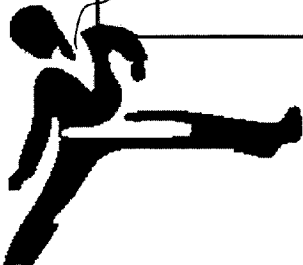
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## Competition Logbook

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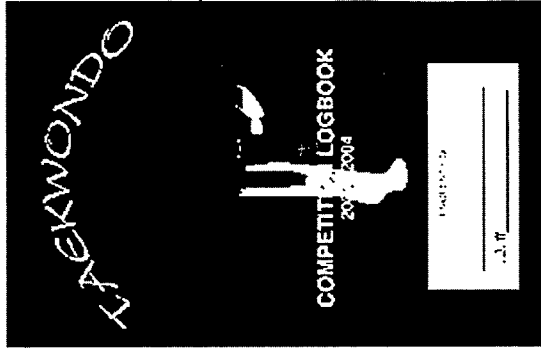
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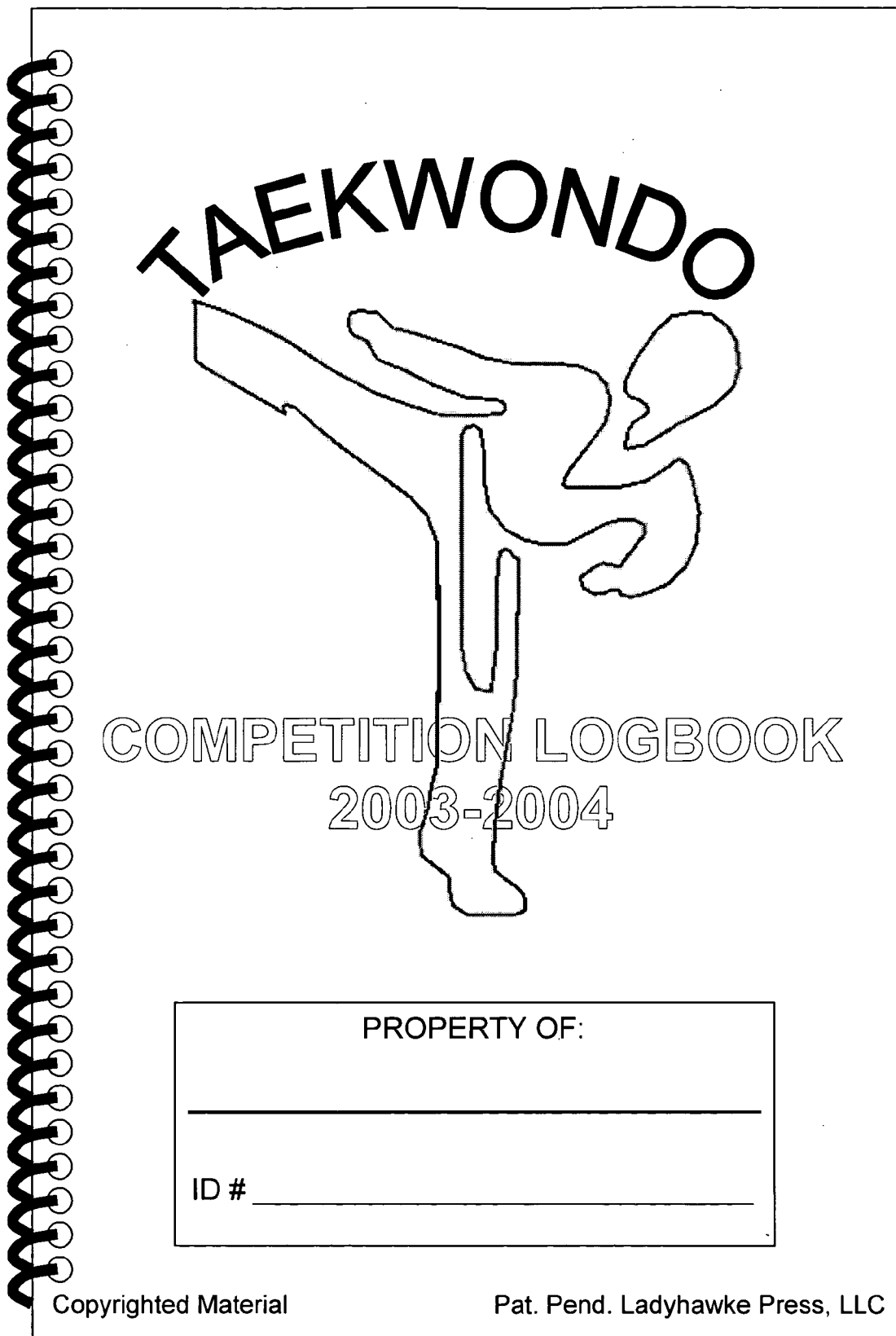


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RESULTS

1st PLACE	
2nd PLACE	
3rd PLACE	

TOTAL COMPETITORS	
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FIG. 19

**PERSONAL COMPETITION LOGBOOK SYSTEM**

**CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION**

[0001] The present application is related to and claims priority from prior provisional application Ser. No. 60/465, 832, filed Apr. 25, 2003, entitled "Personal Competition Logbook System", the contents of which are incorporated herein by this reference and are not admitted to be prior art with respect to the present invention by the mention in this cross-reference section.

**BACKGROUND**

[0002] This invention relates to providing a personal competition logbook system. Previously, there has not been a convenient way for competitors (or their friends and/or relatives) to conveniently track and archive results from judged competitions throughout a competitive season. Likewise, there has not been a convenient way for competitors to verify the accuracy of results that may be tracked by competition organizers and governing sport authorities. In the past, for example, a parent wishing to track their child's performance in a Taekwondo tournament has had to take notes on blank pieces of paper and may fail to write down information that he/she later wished they had included. People trying to record such tournament performances for personal use may not be familiar with the rules and factors involved in judging and scoring and may forget to include some important information. Also, there has not been a convenient way to organize and archive personal records of competition results and scores so that a competitor can review past performance at a future date.

**OBJECTS OF THE INVENTION**

[0003] A primary object and feature of the present invention is to provide a personal competition logbook system to allow a user to conveniently track and archive results from judged competitions throughout an individual-sport competitive season of tournaments.

[0004] Another object and feature of the present invention is to provide a personal competition logbook system with fields and formatting that remind and prompt a user to record the relevant and appropriate data. Another object and feature of the present invention is to provide a personal competition logbook system that assists a user in organizing an individual competitor's scores, opponents, results and other relevant information and statistics. Another object and feature of the present invention is to provide a personal competition logbook system that allows a user to conveniently compile and archive a chronological collection of an individual's tournament performances over an entire season.

[0005] A further primary object and feature of the invention is to provide such a system, which is efficient, inexpensive, and handy for users. Other objects and features of this invention will become apparent with reference to the following descriptions.

**SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

[0006] In accordance with a preferred embodiment hereof, this invention provides a page-based personal logbook system comprising, in combination: at least one plurality of pre-assigned fields adapted to assist entering of individual

single-sport competition data relating to at least one plurality of individual-sports tournaments relating to at least one sport; and at least one page organizer system adapted to assist page-organizing of such at least one plurality of pre-assigned fields relating to at least one such individual-sports tournament. Moreover, it provides such a page-based personal logbook system wherein such individual single-sport competition data comprises at least one score based on input from at least one judge. Additionally, it provides such a page-based personal logbook system wherein such at least one page organizer system comprises bound paper pages comprising such at least one plurality of pre-assigned fields. Also, it provides such a page-based personal logbook system wherein such bound paper pages comprise single views related to each of such plurality of individual-sports tournaments. In addition, it provides such a page-based personal logbook system wherein such at least one pre-assigned field comprises tournament identification information relating to each such individual-sports tournament. And, it provides such a page-based personal logbook system wherein such at least one pre-assigned field comprises competitors-identification information relating to each such individual-sports tournament. Further, it provides such a page-based personal logbook system wherein such at least one pre-assigned field comprises judges-identification information relating to each such individual-sports tournament. Even further, it provides such a page-based personal logbook system wherein such at least one pre-assigned field comprises scoring data from each judge relating to each competitor relating to each such individual-sports tournament. Moreover, it provides such a page-based personal logbook system wherein such at least one pre-assigned field comprises winners-placement results relating to each such individual-sports tournament. Additionally, it provides such a page-based personal logbook system wherein such at least one pre-assigned field comprises personal points awarded relating to each such individual-sports tournament. Also, it provides such a page-based personal logbook system further comprising: at least one indicia element to identify the type of such at least one sport; at least one indicia element to identify the name of at least one party sponsoring such plurality of individual-sports tournaments; and at least one explanation of the scoring system proposed by such at least one party relating to use in such plurality of individual-sports tournaments. In addition, it provides such a page-based personal logbook system wherein such at least one sport comprises martial arts. And, it provides such a page-based personal logbook system wherein such at least one sport comprises Taekwondo. Further, it provides such a page-based personal logbook system wherein such page-based personal logbook system comprises a paper-booklet-based system.

[0007] In accordance with another preferred embodiment hereof, this invention provides a page-based personal individual-sport tournaments logbook system comprising the steps of: identifying at least one individual-sport area comprising, over at least one tournament season, a plurality of tournaments relating to individual competitors; providing a plurality of logbooks, each comprising at least one plurality of pre-assigned fields adapted to assist entering of competition data relating to such plurality of tournaments, and at least one page organizer system adapted to assist page-organizing of such at least one plurality of pre-assigned fields relating to such tournaments; marketing such logbooks to at least one buyer; and selling such logbooks to

such at least one buyer. Even further, it provides such a page-based personal individual-sport tournaments logbook system wherein the competition data comprises scores based on input from at least one judge. Moreover, it provides such a page-based personal individual-sport tournaments logbook system wherein such at least one plurality of pre-assigned fields comprise, relating to each such tournament, at least four such pre-assigned fields selected from the group consisting of tournament identification information, competitors-identification information, judges-identification information, scoring data from each judge relating to each competitor, winners-placement results, and personal points awarded. Additionally, it provides such a page-based personal individual-sport tournaments logbook system further comprising the steps of: identifying at least one scoring method relating to such at least one individual-sport area; providing at least one explanation of such at least one scoring method; and making such at least one explanation a part of each such logbook. Also, it provides such a page-based personal individual-sport tournaments logbook system further comprising the steps of: collecting contact information from such at least one buyer; and contacting such at least one buyer to solicit orders relating to such logbooks relating to at least one additional such at least one tournament season. In addition, it provides such a page-based personal individual-sport tournaments logbook system further comprising the steps of: providing printed such logbooks comprising a plurality of pages; providing, relating to essentially each such logbook, a swivel binding system permitting essentially each such page, when bound, to swivel; and binding such pages with such swivel binding system; wherein such at least one page organizer system permits such pages, when bound, to comprise single views relating to each of such plurality of tournaments. And, it provides such a page-based personal individual-sport tournaments logbook system wherein such page organizer system includes as part of such bound pages at least one indicia element selected from the group consisting of the type of such at least one individual sport area the name of at least one sponsoring party sponsoring such plurality of individual-sport tournaments. Further, it provides such a page-based personal individual-sport tournaments logbook system further comprising the step of offering such logbooks at a discounted rate to at least one party relating to fund raising purposes. Even further, it provides such a page-based personal individual-sport tournaments logbook system wherein such at least one individual-sport area comprises martial arts. Even further, it provides such a page-based personal individual-sport tournaments logbook system wherein such at least one individual-sport area comprises Taekwondo.

**[0008]** In accordance with another preferred embodiment hereof, this invention provides an Internet website computer system, relating to providing at least one personal individual-sport tournament logbook system, comprising, in combination: computer processor means relating to taking orders relating to a plurality of logbooks, each comprising at least one plurality of pre-assigned fields adapted to assist entering of competition data relating to a plurality of such individual-sport tournaments relating to at least one sport, and at least one page organizer system adapted to assist page-organizing of such at least one plurality of pre-assigned fields relating to such at least one tournament; computer interface means relating to marketing such logbooks to at least one buyer; and computer interface means

relating to receiving payment relating to selling such logbooks at least primarily to such at least one buyer. Even further, it provides such an internet website computer system further comprising: computer interface means relating to collecting contact information from such at least one buyer; computer processor means relating to contacting such at least one buyer to solicit at least one order relating to such logbooks relating to at least one additional such at least one tournament season. Even further, it provides such a Internet website computer system wherein such at least one sport comprises martial arts. Even further, it provides such a Internet website computer system wherein such at least one sport comprises Taekwondo.

**[0009]** In accordance with another preferred embodiment hereof, this invention provides a page-based personal logbook system comprising, in combination: pre-assigned fields means relating to providing at least one plurality of pre-assigned fields relating to entering individual single-sport competition data relating to a plurality of individual-sports tournaments; and page organizer means relating to page-organizing of such pre-assigned fields means relating to such tournaments.

#### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

**[0010]** FIG. 1 is a simplified relational diagram showing the relationships between the logbook publisher and users for various methods of distribution, according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention.

**[0011]** FIG. 2 is flow diagram showing the preferred business method steps involved according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention.

**[0012]** FIG. 3 is an example cover of a personal competition logbook system according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention.

**[0013]** FIG. 4 is an example introduction page of a personal competition logbook system according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention.

**[0014]** FIG. 5 is an example explanation page of a personal competition logbook system according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention.

**[0015]** FIG. 6 is an example second explanation page of a personal competition logbook system according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention.

**[0016]** FIG. 7 is an example tournament summary page of a personal competition logbook system according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention.

**[0017]** FIG. 8 is an example detail tournament scoring page for forms/weapons competition of a personal competition logbook system according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention.

**[0018]** FIG. 9 is an example detail tournament scoring page for sparring competition of a personal competition logbook system according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention.

**[0019]** FIG. 10 is an example personal competition points log page of a personal competition logbook system according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention.

[0020] FIG. 11 is an example of a publisher contact page of a personal competition logbook system according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention.

[0021] FIG. 12 is an example of the home page of the website portion of a personal competition system according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention.

[0022] FIG. 13 is an example of the "About Us" page of the website portion of a personal competition system according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention.

[0023] FIG. 14 is an example of the product description page of the website portion of a personal competition system according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention.

[0024] FIG. 15 is an example of the order information page of the website portion of a personal competition system according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention.

[0025] FIG. 16 is an example of the contact information page website portion of a personal competition logbook system according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention.

[0026] FIG. 17 is a front view of a preferred bound logbook illustrating the logbook in a closed position and showing the swivel binding (shown as a "spiral" binding) according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention.

[0027] FIG. 18 is an inside view of the logbook of FIG. 17 spread in an upright open position and showing two facing pages of text material and showing the swivel binding (shown as a "spiral" binding) according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention.

[0028] FIG. 19 is an inside view of the logbook of FIG. 17 spread in a "sideways" or "portrait" open position and showing two facing pages offering a single view of entry fields sufficient for sixteen competitors, and showing the swivel binding (shown as a "spiral" binding) according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention.

#### DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF BEST MODES AND PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS OF THE INVENTION

[0029] FIG. 1 is a simplified relational diagram showing the relationships between the publisher 101 of the logbooks and users 103 for various methods of distribution, according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention. According to a preferred embodiment of the present invention, printer 104 preferably receives payment from publisher 101 in exchange for printed personal competition logbook systems (also herein called logbooks 800) which printer 104 preferably prints according to layout and guidelines supplied by publisher 101, as indicated by flow 125 (embodying herein wherein said page-based personal logbook system comprises a paper-booklet-based system). Preferably, publisher 101 sells logbooks 800 directly to users 103 in exchange for payment, as indicated by flow 135. Publisher 101 may distribute logbooks 800 to fund raiser groups 105 in exchange for payment at a discounted rate, as indicated by flow 121 (embodying herein offering such logbooks at a discounted rate to at least one party relating to fundraising purposes). Fundraising groups 105 may then sell logbooks

800 to users 103 in exchange for payment, as indicated by flow 143. Publisher 101 may work with fulfillment house 102, as indicated by flow 123, to preferably provide a website for marketing to potential buyers which also allows users 103 to order logbooks 800 and make payments via the Internet, after which logbooks 800 are shipped to users 103 by fulfillment house 102, as indicated by flow 141 (embodying herein computer interface means relating to marketing such logbooks to at least one buyer; and embodying herein computer interface means relating to receiving payment relating to selling such logbooks at least primarily to such at least one buyer). Publisher 101 may directly maintain website 100 which allows publisher 101 to receive orders for logbooks 800 and payment via the Internet, after which logbooks 800 are shipped to users 103 by publisher 101, as indicated by flow 111. Preferably, Publisher 101 may accumulate a list of e-mail addresses from users 103, and send e-mail, as indicated by flow 131, reminding such users 103 when it is time to buy logbooks 800 for the next competition season, and/or to provide information about upcoming tournaments and other information related to the sport in which users 103 participate, etc., (embodying herein collecting contact information from such at least one buyer; and embodying herein computer interface means relating to collecting contact information from such at least one buyer; and embodying herein contacting such at least one buyer to solicit orders relating to such logbooks relating to at least one additional such at least one tournament season; and embodying herein such at least one buyer to solicit at least one order relating to such logbooks relating to at least one additional such at least one tournament season).

[0030] FIG. 2 is flow diagram showing the preferred business method steps involved in a preferred embodiment of the present invention. Preferably, publisher 101 begins by identifying target sport competition 201, preferably in an individual sport with multiple tournaments in a competitive season, preferably martial arts, preferably Taekwondo (embodying herein wherein such at least one individual-sport area comprises martial arts; and wherein such at least one individual-sport area comprises Taekwondo). Preferably, in identifying target competition 201, publisher 101 considers the potential demand, and related factors, for personal competition logbook systems 800 for users 103 of the associated sport (embodying herein identifying at least one individual-sport area comprising, over at least one tournament season, a plurality of tournaments relating to individual competitors). Preferably, publisher 101 documents the scoring methods 202 to assist in the step of determining how to most appropriately design logbook 203. Preferably, publisher 101 then markets the logbook to interested groups 204 and prints logbooks 205 (embodying herein marketing such logbooks to at least one buyer). Preferably, logbooks 800 are sold to users 103 at competitions 212 (embodying herein selling such logbooks to such at least one buyer). Preferably logbooks 800 are distributed at discounted rates to fundraising groups 208 for sale to users 103 as fundraisers 214. Preferably, a software-based logbook 216 is developed for use on handheld devices (for example a palm computer), and personal computers (for example, a notebook or desktop computer) for use instead of, or in conjunction with the printed logbooks 800. Preferably, website 206 allows users to order logbooks 800 and/or logbook software from fulfillment house 210 which distributes logbooks and logbook software to users 103

(embodying herein offering such logbooks at a discounted rate to at least one party relating to fund raising purposes).

[0031] Referring now to **FIG. 3**, preferably, personal competition logbook system **800** comprises cover **300**. Preferably, cover **300** comprises sport identification indicia **302** (embodying herein at least one indicia element to identify the type of said at least one sport), which assists users **103** in associating logbook **800** with the type sport (such as, for example, Taekwondo, as shown). For example, in the case of a personal competition logbook system tailored for the sport of Taekwondo, indicia preferably comprises a human figure wearing a martial arts uniform performing a recognizable Taekwondo kick, as shown. Upon reading this specification, those skilled in the art will now understand that, under appropriate circumstances, considering issues such as the type of sport, organizations, sponsors, etc., other types of indicia may be included, such as for example, the name of a sponsor, organization, school, team, etc., (embodying herein at least one indicia element to identify the name of at least one party sponsoring said plurality of individual-sports tournaments). Preferably, personal competition logbook system **800** is tailored and formatted for a specific sport, preferably a martial arts sport, preferably Taekwondo. Upon reading this specification, those skilled in the art will now understand that, under appropriate circumstances, considering issues such as number of competitors, market demand, etc., other sports, such as for example, gymnastics, figure skating, etc., may suffice. Preferably, cover **300** comprises season identification indicia **304**, which assists users **103** in identifying which competitive season logbook **800** records. Preferably, cover **300** comprises ownership identification field **306**, which provides a place for users **103** to fill in data (such as, for example, their name and membership ID) that assists users **103** in personalizing their logbook **800** so that proper ownership can easily be identified. Preferably, cover **300** comprises logbook identification indicia **308**.

[0032] **FIGS. 4-11** are example portions of a personal competition logbook system **800** according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention. Preferably, personal competition logbook system **800** comprises sport information **310** (such as, for example, the history of the sport, variations of the sport, organizations involved in the sport, governing authorities in the sport, etc.), which assists users **103** in understanding the sport.

[0033] As shown in **FIG. 6**, preferably, personal competition logbook system **800** comprises competition information **312** (such as, for example, information about different events at the competition, how events and competitions are judged and scored, rules of the events and tournaments, etc.), which assists users **103** in understanding the events and competitions (embodying herein at least one explanation of the scoring system proposed by said at least one party relating to use in said plurality of individual-sports tournaments). Preferably, competition information **312** comprises eligibility requirements to qualify for the tournaments, rules and scoring procedures of the tournament events. Preferably, personal competition logbook system **800** comprises logbook information **314**, which instructs and assists users **103** in understanding how to use logbook system **800**, such as, for example, the benefits of keeping a personal logbook, and how to properly enter data in logbook **800**. **FIG. 6** shows example competition information **312** and logbook information **314**.

[0034] Some governing sports authorities have ranking systems that assign points to competitors based on winning events in tournaments. In many sports, such as, for example, Taekwondo, the number of points assigned depends upon factors, such as, for example, whether the tournament is a small local tournament (which would be worth relatively less points towards ranking), or a large multi-regional tournament (which would be worth relatively more points). Different organizations assign different points to the various classifications of tournaments, and the organizations can change the point system from one year to the next. Preferably, competition logbook system **800** comprises tournament identifier indicia **400**, such as, for example, tournament classification, categorization, etc. Preferably, competition logbook system **800** comprises tournament scoring factors **404**, such as, for example, number of competitors **406** and competition rank **408**. Preferably, competition logbook system **800** comprises tournament scoring structure fields **402**, which allow users **103** to enter the appropriate tournament points **410** for the given combinations of tournament scoring factors **404**, based upon the system adopted by the governing sport authority or organization (embodying herein making such at least one explanation a part of each such logbook). **FIG. 7** shows one table of tournament scoring structure fields **402** in which the fields are empty, and another table of tournament scoring structure fields **402** that have been filled with example tournament points **410**.

[0035] **FIGS. 8 and 9** are examples of a portion of a personal competition logbook system **800** according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention showing an event form **501** which can be filled out by users **103** to record data about a competition event. Preferably, event form **501** comprises identifier indicia **500**, which assists users **103** to identify which event is being recorded. Preferably, event form **501** comprises pagination field **500**, which provides users **103** with a place to paginate event form **501**. Preferably, event form **501** comprises tournament name field **504**, which prompts and provides the user with a place to record the tournament name (embodying herein wherein said at least one pre-assigned field comprises tournament identification information relating to each said individual-sports tournament). Preferably, event form **501** comprises tournament location field **506**, which prompts and provides user with a place to record the tournament location. Preferably, event form **501** comprises tournament date field **508**, which prompts and provides user with a place to record the tournament date. Preferably, event form **501** comprises tournament class field **510**, which prompts and provides user with a place to record the tournament class.

[0036] Preferably, event form **501** comprises at least one judge name field **512**, which prompts and provides user with a place to record the name(s) of the event judge(s) (embodying herein wherein said at least one pre-assigned field comprises judges-identification information relating to each said individual-sports tournament). Preferably, event form **501** comprises at least one competitor name field **514**, which prompts and provides user with a place to record the name(s) of the competitor(s) (embodying herein wherein said at least one pre-assigned field comprises competitors-identification information relating to each said individual-sports tournament). Preferably, event form **501** comprises at least one judge scoring field **516**, which prompts and provides user with a place to record the score(s) of the event judge(s) (embodying herein wherein said individual single-sport

competition data comprises at least one score based on input from at least one judge; and embodying herein wherein said at least one pre-assigned field comprises scoring data from each judge relating to each competitor relating to each said individual-sports tournament). Preferably, event form **501** comprises at least one scoring summation field **518**, which prompts and provides user with a place to record the summary scores(s) for each competitor. Preferably, event form **501** comprises at least one competition rank **520**, which prompts and provides user with a place to record the names of the top ranked competitors in the event (embodying herein wherein said at least one pre-assigned field comprises winners-placement results relating to each said individual-sports tournament). Preferably, event form **501** comprises at least one number-of-competitors field **522**, which prompts and provides user with a place to record the number of competitors in the event, which, as mentioned herein, can have an impact on overall ranking. Preferably, event form **501** comprises at least one competition rank field **524**, which prompts and provides user with a place to record the competitor's rank in the event, and a competition points field, which prompts and provides user with a place to record the associated competition points (embodying herein wherein said at least one pre-assigned field comprises personal points awarded relating to each said individual-sports tournament).

[**0037**] Preferably, competition logbook system **800** comprises a plurality of event forms **501**, chronologically ordered so that users **103** can enter data, record and track events for all the tournaments in a competitive season (embodying herein at least one plurality of pre-assigned fields adapted to assist entering of individual single-sport competition data relating to at least one plurality of individual-sports tournaments relating to at least one sport; and embodying herein at least one page organizer system adapted to assist page organizing of said at least one plurality of pre-assigned fields relating to at least one said individual-sports tournament; and embodying herein pre-assigned fields means relating to providing at least one plurality of pre-assigned fields relating to entering individual single-sport competition data relating to a plurality of individual-sports tournaments; and embodying herein page organizer means relating to page-organizing of such pre-assigned fields means relating to such tournaments). Preferably, competition logbook system **800** comprises bound pages (see **FIGS. 17-19**) with a plurality of event forms **501**, thus providing users **103** with portability and convenience in tracking many events (embodying herein wherein said at least one page organizer system comprises bound paper pages comprising said at least one plurality of pre-assigned fields). As used in these teachings the term "bound" encompasses the use of any mechanism or attachment method which permits the pages of the logbook system **800** to be held together, yet swivel.

[**0038**] Preferably, competition logbook system **800** is bound by a swivel binding **301** (See **FIG. 3**, **FIG. 17**, **FIG. 18** and **FIG. 19**), which allows pages, when bound, to swivel at least about 180 degrees (embodying herein providing, relating to essentially each such logbook, a swivel binding system permitting essentially each such page, when bound, to swivel; and embodying herein binding such pages with such swivel binding system). Preferably, event forms **501** are formatted and graphically designed so that a single view is sufficient to view the fields and data for an event, as shown

in **FIG. 19**, for example, without having to flip pages to view all the data of a single event (embodying herein wherein said bound paper pages comprise single views related to each of said plurality of individual-sports tournaments; and embodying herein wherein said bound paper pages comprise single views related to each of said plurality of individual-sports tournaments). Preferably, event form **501** comprises competition information **312**, and logbook information **314**, as mentioned herein.

[**0039**] **FIG. 10** is an example of a portion of a personal competition logbook system **800** according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention, showing a season event summary **600**. Preferably, season event summary **600** comprises season identification indicia **304**, so users **103** can easily identify which competitive season is summarized. Preferably, season event summary **600** comprises event identifier indicia **500**, so users **103** can easily identify which event is summarized. Preferably, season event summary **600** comprises a plurality of competition date fields **604**, which prompts and provides user **103** with a place to record the dates of competitions to be summarized. Preferably, season event summary **600** comprises a plurality of competition location fields **606**, which prompts and provides user **103** with a place to record the location of competitions. Preferably, season event summary **600** comprises a plurality of points awarded fields **608**, which prompts and provides user **103** with a place to record the points awarded at the competitions. Preferably, season event summary **600** comprises a plurality of verification fields **606**, which prompts and provides user **103** with a place to record that they have confirmed and reconciled the points awarded to the competitor with the appropriate governing sports authority or organization.

[**0040**] As shown in **FIG. 11**, an example portion of a preferred embodiment of the present invention, preferably competition logbook system **800**, comprises publisher branding indicia **700** and publisher contact information **702**, to assist the publisher in promoting the sale of additional logbook systems **800** and to assist the users **103** with obtaining logbook systems **800** and other related information and material. Preferably, publisher contact information **702** comprises publisher website address **704**, and publisher phone number **706**.

[**0041**] **FIG. 12** illustrates an example webpage **900** from an example website of publisher **101**, "www.ladyhawkepress.com", according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention. Preferably, webpage **900** comprises sport identification indicia **902** which assist users **103** in associating webpage **900** with the type of sport (such as, for example, martial arts, as shown). Preferably, webpage **900** may comprise further sport identification indicia **904**. Preferably, webpage **900** comprises links **906** for linking to webpages **924**, **930**, **934**, and **948** (illustrated in other figures herein), as shown. Preferably, webpage **900** comprises information **908** about publisher **101** (such as, its respect and appreciation for the martial arts, etc.), which assists users **103** in understanding the disposition of the website operator. Preferably, webpage **900** comprises competition logbook information **910** (such as, the purpose of the logbook, etc.), which assists users **103** in understanding the goal behind producing the logbook **800**, as shown.

[**0042**] Preferably, webpage **900** comprises logbook appearance indicia **912**, as shown, which assists users **103** in

ascertaining the appearance and dimensions of the logbook **800**. Preferably, webpage **900** comprises another link **914**, which offers users **103** another link to webpage **930**, as shown. Preferably, webpage **900** comprises another link **916**, which offers users **103** another link to webpage **934**, as well as offering the price of each logbook **800**, as shown. Preferably, webpage **900** comprises the website location and contact information **918** (such as, address, phone number, etc.) for publisher **101**, which assists users **103** interested in locating or contacting publisher **101**. Preferably, webpage **900** comprises a legal notice **920**, which informs users **103** that publisher **101** has not disclaimed its legal rights, as shown. Preferably, webpage **900** comprises another legal notice **922**, which informs users **103** of its intellectual property rights, as shown.

[0043] **FIG. 13** illustrates another preferred example webpage **924**, according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention. Preferably, webpage **924** comprises employee information **926** (such as, their dedication to quality and customer care, etc.) of publisher **101**, which assists users **103** in understanding the viewpoints of publisher **101**. Preferably, webpage **924** comprises management information **928** (such as, employee titles and e-mail addresses, etc.) of publisher **101**, which assists users **103** in contacting specific employees.

[0044] **FIG. 14** illustrates another example of a preferred webpage **930**, according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention. Preferably, webpage **930** comprises detailed competition logbook information **932** (such as, it is printed on heavy-weight card stock, durability, format, etc.), as shown, which assists users **103** in understanding the characteristics of the competition logbook **800**.

[0045] **FIG. 15** illustrates another preferred webpage **934** according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention. Preferably, webpage **934** comprises ordering information **936**, which informs users **103** that publisher **101** takes orders online, by mail, by phone, and accepts credit cards, as shown. Preferably, webpage **934** comprises a security notice **938**, as shown, which may help assure users **103** that publisher **101** is secure for online purchases. Preferably, webpage **934** comprises an "add to cart" link **940**, which allows users **103** to link to and purchase logbooks from "PayPal", as shown. Preferably, webpage **934** comprises an "order now" link **942**, which allows users **103** to link to a credit card purchase site for purchasing logbooks, as shown. Preferably, webpage **934** comprises information and links regarding mail orders **944**, which provides users **103** with information about shipping and handling fees as well as links to downloadable mail order forms. Preferably, webpage **934** comprises information for telephone orders **946**, which provides users **103** with a phone number for making such telephone purchases of logbooks **800**.

[0046] **FIG. 16** illustrates webpage **948** according to a preferred embodiment of the present invention. Preferably, webpage **948** comprises business entity indicia **902** of publisher **101**. Preferably, webpage **900** comprises a link **952**, which offers users **103** another link to the order information of webpage **934**. Preferably, webpage **948** comprises contact information **926** (such as, telephone number, address, e-mail, etc.) of publisher **101**, which assists users **103** in contacting publisher **101**, comprising a link for opening e-mail software.

[0047] **FIG. 17** is a front view of a preferred bound logbook **800** according to this invention illustrating such logbook in a closed position and showing the swivel binding (shown as a "spiral" binding) preferably used, as herein described.

[0048] **FIG. 18** is an inside view of the logbook of **FIG. 17** spread in an upright open position and preferably showing two facing pages of text material, as herein described.

[0049] **FIG. 19** is an inside view of the logbook of **FIG. 17** spread in a "sideways" or "portrait" open position and showing two facing pages preferably offering a single view of sufficiently many entry fields as disclosed herein for the entry of data for a complete tournament, even with sixteen competitors, as herein described.

[0050] Although applicant has described applicant's preferred embodiments of this invention, it will be understood that the broadest scope of this invention includes such modifications as diverse shapes and sizes and materials. Such scope is limited only by the below claims as read in connection with the above specification.

[0051] Further, many other advantages of applicant's invention will be apparent to those skilled in the art from the above descriptions and the below claims.

What is claimed is:

1) A page-based personal logbook system comprising, in combination:

- a) at least one plurality of pre-assigned fields adapted to assist entering of individual single-sport competition data relating to at least one plurality of individual-sports tournaments relating to at least one sport; and
  - b) at least one page organizer system adapted to assist page-organizing of said at least one plurality of pre-assigned fields relating to at least one plurality of individual-sports tournaments.
- 2) The page-based personal logbook system according to claim 1 wherein said individual single-sport competition data comprises at least one score based on input from at least one judge.
- 3) The page-based personal logbook system according to claim 2 wherein said at least one page organizer system comprises bound paper pages comprising said at least one plurality of pre-assigned fields.
- 4) The page-based personal logbook system according to claim 3 wherein said bound paper pages comprise single views related to each of the at least one plurality of individual-sports tournaments.
- 5) The page-based personal logbook system according to claim 4 wherein said at least one pre-assigned field comprises tournament identification information relating to each of the at least one plurality of individual-sports tournaments.
- 6) The page-based personal logbook system according to claim 4 wherein said at least one pre-assigned field comprises competitors-identification information relating to each of the at least one plurality of individual-sports tournaments.
- 7) The page-based personal logbook system according to claim 4 wherein said at least one pre-assigned field comprises judges-identification information relating to each of the at least one plurality of individual-sports tournaments.
- 8) The page-based personal logbook system according to claim 4 wherein said at least one pre-assigned field com-

prises scoring data from each judge relating to each competitor relating to each of the at least one plurality of individual-sports tournaments.

9) The page-based personal logbook system according to claim 4 wherein said at least one pre-assigned field comprises winners-placement results relating to each of the at least one plurality of individual-sports tournaments.

10) The page-based personal logbook system according to claim 4 wherein said at least one pre-assigned field comprises personal points awarded relating to each said individual-sports tournament.

11) The page-based personal logbook system according to claim 1 further comprising:

- a) at least one indicia element to identify the type of said at least one sport;
- b) at least one indicia element to identify the name of at least one party sponsoring of the at least one plurality of individual-sports tournaments; and
- c) at least one explanation of the scoring system proposed by said at least one party relating to use in the at least one plurality of individual-sports tournaments.

12) The page-based personal logbook system according to claim 1 wherein said at least one sport comprises martial arts.

13) The page-based personal logbook system according to claim 1 wherein said at least one sport comprises Taekwondo.

14) The page-based personal logbook system according to claim 1 wherein said page-based personal logbook system comprises a paper-booklet-based system.

15) A page-based personal individual-sport tournaments logbook system comprising the steps of:

- a) identifying at least one individual-sport area comprising, over at least one tournament season, a plurality of tournaments relating to individual competitors;
- b) providing a plurality of logbooks, each comprising
  - i) at least one plurality of pre-assigned fields adapted to assist entering of competition data relating to such plurality of tournaments, and
  - ii) at least one page organizer system adapted to assist page-organizing of such at least one plurality of pre-assigned fields relating to such tournaments;
- c) marketing such logbooks to at least one buyer; and
- d) selling such logbooks to such at least one buyer.

16) The page-based personal individual-sport tournaments logbook system according to claim 15 wherein the competition data comprises scores based on input from at least one judge.

17) The page-based personal individual-sport tournaments logbook system according to claim 15 wherein such at least one plurality of pre-assigned fields comprise, relating to each such tournament, at least four such pre-assigned fields selected from the group consisting of:

- a) tournament identification information;
- b) competitors-identification information;
- c) judges-identification information;
- d) scoring data from each judge relating to each competitor;

e) winners-placement results; and

f) personal points awarded.

18) The page-based personal individual-sport tournaments logbook system according to claim 15 further comprising the steps of:

- a) identifying at least one scoring method relating to such at least one individual-sport area;
- b) providing at least one explanation of such at least one scoring method; and
- c) making such at least one explanation a part of each such logbook.

19) The page-based personal individual-sport tournaments logbook system according to claim 15 further comprising the steps of:

- a) collecting contact information from such at least one buyer; and
- b) contacting such at least one buyer to solicit orders relating to such logbooks relating to at least one additional such at least one tournament season.

20) The page-based personal individual-sport tournaments logbook system according to claim 15 further comprising the steps of:

- a) providing printed such logbooks comprising a plurality of pages;
- b) providing, relating to essentially each such logbook, a swivel binding system permitting essentially each such page, when bound, to swivel; and
- c) binding such pages with such swivel binding system;
- d) wherein such at least one page organizer system permits such pages, when bound, to comprise single views relating to each of such plurality of tournaments.

21) The page-based personal individual-sport tournaments logbook system according to claim 20 wherein such page organizer system includes as part of such bound pages at least one indicia element selected from the group consisting of:

- i) the type of such at least one individual sport area; and
- ii) the name of at least one sponsoring party sponsoring such plurality of individual-sport tournaments.

22) The page-based personal individual-sport tournaments logbook system according to claim 15 further comprising the step of offering such logbooks at a discounted rate to at least one party relating to fundraising purposes.

23) The page-based personal individual-sport tournaments logbook system according to claim 15 wherein such at least one individual-sport area comprises martial arts.

24) The page-based personal individual-sport tournaments logbook system according to claim 15 wherein such at least one individual-sport area comprises Taekwondo.

25) An Internet website computer system, relating to providing at least one personal individual-sport tournament logbook system, comprising, in combination:

- a) computer processor means relating to taking orders relating to a plurality of logbooks, each comprising
  - i) at least one plurality of pre-assigned fields adapted to assist entering of competition data relating to a

plurality of such individual-sport tournaments relating to at least one sport, and

ii) at least one page organizer system adapted to assist page-organizing of such at least one plurality of pre-assigned fields relating to such at least one tournament;

b) computer interface means relating to marketing such logbooks to at least one buyer; and

c) computer interface means relating to receiving payment relating to selling such logbooks at least primarily to such at least one buyer.

**26)** The Internet website computer system according to claim 25 further comprising:

a) computer interface means relating to collecting contact information from such at least one buyer;

b) computer processor means relating to contacting such at least one buyer to solicit at least one order relating to

such logbooks relating to at least one additional such at least one tournament season.

**27)** The Internet website computer system according to claim 25 wherein such at least one sport comprises martial arts.

**28)** The Internet website computer system according to claim 25 wherein such at least one sport comprises Taekwondo.

**29)** A page-based personal logbook system comprising, in combination:

a) pre-assigned fields means relating to providing at least one plurality of pre-assigned fields relating to entering individual single-sport competition data relating to a plurality of individual-sports tournaments; and

b) page organizer means relating to page-organizing of said pre-assigned fields means relating to such tournaments.

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