



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

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Day 4 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(0) Iran
Followed by UAE 5 x 0 China

May 9 (Friday) – Semi final Matches*

20:00 - Match 7 (Semi-final 1): Japan 7 x 1 China
Followed by - Match 8 (Semi-final 2): U.A.E 3 x 1 Iran

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

20:00 - Match 9 (3rd / 4th) China x Iran
Followed by - Match 10 Final Japan x U.A.E
Followed by - Awards Ceremony

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

Final Group 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 7 – Semi final 1 - Friday, May 9

FINAL SCORE: Japan 7 x 1 China

Japan is the first Asian team to qualify for the FIFA Beach Soccer World Cup 2008 in Marseille. The Kamikazes beat China with a thrashing 7-1 and can rightfully book their tickets to the French Riviera. The game started rather slowly, but it was only a matter of time before Japanese hit man Yamauchi would strike again. Yamauchi scored three out of seven scored by his side and will most likely see his performance rewarded with the award for top scorer of the Dubai Showpiece.

Japan			China		
#	PLAYER	Starters	#	PLAYER	Starters
1	Terukina	X	1	ZH H Zhou	X
4	Makino	X	2	H Qui	
5	Tabata		4	X G Han	X
6	Uehara		6	J Gao	
7	Oda		7	Y Zhuang	
8	Arakaki		8	M Ren	
9	Yamauchi	X	9	K SH Wu	X
10	Yoshii	X	10	L Yu	X
11	Wakabayashi	X	11	W Lu	X
12	Ginoza		12	M Qi	
Head coach: Takeshi Kawaharazuka			Head coach: Rodrigo Stockler		

Referees:

- 1st Carlos Frazao (POR)
- 2nd Faisal Ahmed Sallam (UAE)
- 3rd Farshid Haghghatjoo (IRN)
- 4th Walled Ali Yousef Al Ali (UAE)



SCORE CHART:

Goal Scorer	Time left	Period	JPN	CHN
#4 Makino	2'31	1	1	0
#9 Yamautchi	0'34	1	2	0
#8 M Ren	4'50	2	2	1
#10 Yoshii	4'34	3	3	1
#7 Oda	3'51	3	4	1
#9 Yamauchi	0'34	3	5	1
#9 Yamauchi	3'17	3	6	1
#7 Oda	2'29	3	7	1

TEAM	Player	CARDS		
		Card*	Period	Time left
Japan	#4 Makino	Y	3	4'13
	#7 Oda	Y	3	3'49
China	#7 Y Zhuang	Y	2	5'44
	#9 K SH Wu	Y	2	4'49
	#1 ZH H Zhou	Y	3	3'32
	#11 W Lu	Y	3	3'17

* Y: yellow; R: red

Quote Yamauchi (Japan striker)

How many goals I score is not important. I'm a part of a team where everybody fights for each other. These nine goals are as much my team mates merit then it is mine. If we can crown ourselves Asian Champion tomorrow with ten goals by one of the other players in my team, I would be as happy as I am now. After all, we've just qualified for the World Cup.

Match 8 – Semi final 2 - Friday, May 9

FINAL SCORE: United Arab Emirates 3 x 1 Iran

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United Arab Emirates			Iran		
#	PLAYER	Starters	#	PLAYER	Starters
1	Abbas. M		1	H. Ghorbanpour	X
2	Qambar. M	X	3	H. Abdollahi	X
4	Haidar. A		4	A. Aligholli	
5	Ali Kozad		5	A. Naderi	X
8	Rami. A	X	6	Z. Imani	X
9	Ali Karim	X	8	F. Bouloukbashi	



10	Bakhit. S	X	9	M. Mesigar	
11	M. Abbas		10	A. Hashempour	
20	Ibrahim		11	M. Ahmadzadeh	X
22	Mohamed. A	X	12	M. Marfavi	
Head coach: Marcelo Mendes			Head coach: Farssad Falahtzadeh		

Referees:

- 1st Carlos Frazao (POR)
- 2nd Zhiwei Geng (CHN)
- 3rd Tasuka Onodera (JPN)
- 4th Masahiro Sakurada (JPN)

SCORE CHART:

Goal Scorer	Time left	Period	UAE	IRN
#10 Bakhit. S	5'53	2	1	0
#8 F. Boulokbashi	7'29	3	1	1
#8 Rami. A	6'34	3	2	1
#8 Rami. A	3'06	3	3	1

TEAM	Player	CARDS		
		Card*	Period	Time left
UAE	#8 Rami. A	Y	3	2'46
IRN	#8 Boulokbashi	Y	3	3'18

* Y: yellow; R: red

Quote Marcelo Mendes (UAE coach)

Today we were rewarded for two months of hard work. The U.A.E federation definitely has merit in this qualification by creating better working conditions for my team. They contracted a physical coach and a coach for our goalkeepers and that paid off. Physically we're stronger than other teams and that's what made the difference in the end.



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