

International Core Wars Society

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Dear Polish Reader:

Thank you for your interest in Core War. We at the International Core Wars Society look forward to the day when our warriors will battle with yours. How wonderful will be that day? We can only imagine.

A number of Polish nationals have communicated with the ICWS for information and assistance. It is generally an expensive proposition for the ICWS to distribute world wide the documents which define the game Core War. For this reason, the ICWS has asked all interested parties to pay fees in exchange for documents and participation. It would seem that the Polish national economic situation is such that creative solutions need be found and applied. I am sorry to say that the ICWS is not so large as to be able to immediately purge the problem, but we can begin to provide remedies.

A small group has appeared, of which each member has shown diligence in getting the attention of the ICWS. These are not the best of conditions for the operation of a society, but we are still growing. I have given much thought to the problems unique to Poles wanting to participate in ICWS tournaments. I believe that your problems will be best solved by the establishment of a branch section in Poland. The ICWS is in the long run dedicated to the establishment of independent Core War societies in all geographical areas. These societies would then define the ICWS, providing representatives who collectively establish the rules under which ICWS sanctioned tournaments would then be conducted.

The society can bend its requirements for establishment of a branch section in the short term in order to gain a branch section living up to society requirements in the future. I expect that you will support such a plan, and ask that you get involved. I have enclosed a list of the names and addresses of those who have maintained communication with the ICWS. Please, communicate amongst yourselves. I can do very little to help you from here in the United States. You can collectively act to establish a Core Wars Society of Poland and thereby promote the Core War in your nation. Select one or two amongst yourselves to act as communications pathways to the ICWS. Those people selected should send at least one letter every month. I need to know of what you are doing in order to be the greatest service to your cause. The recent glasnost and perestroika of Gorbachev, and the fact that the Soviet Academy of Sciences is quite interested in Core War, will work to give you much help in promoting Core War competition.

In addition to the list of Polish Core War enthusiasts, I have enclosed a copy of the Core War Standard of 1986, otherwise known as CWS'86. The Polish Core War committee, which you are a member of (as are all those listed on the enclosed name and address list), is requested by the Director of the ICWS to work together in achieving the establishment of a Core War society in Poland. I stand ready to give all the help you desire, or need.

Thank you for your continued commitment to Core War, and the International Core Wars Society.

Sincerely,

William R. Buckley
Director, ICWS

encl. a complementary copy of the Core Wars Standard of 1986, elsewhere known as CWS'86.
a list of other Polish Core War enthusiasts.