Handball is getting higher and higher popularity. We consider how it has happened that this game has been introduced in many countries of the world. There are many reasons, but we mention just a few: the simple game rules, they are clear both for competitors and onlookers, the handball game can be played by children, youth and adults. But all these reasons, however, would not make handball so popular. Owing to the television, its modern broadcasting equipment, we can participate in handball matches. Thus, television is creating handball and we should keep in touch and maintain a good cooperation with this institution.

A new order and a new set of national teams have been set up during the recently held European Championships – in seniors, juniors and women’s juniors as well. A close investigation on the Championships reveals differences between the top teams and the other ones. There is certain regularity that the best senior’s teams have a good support in junior’s groups. Moreover, in youth groups there are some representations, which, up to now, have not had better prospects and better competition.

European Championships allow estimating the game regulations more objective or at least to interpret them follows the Federations recommendation.

They (referees) must follow all the rules and regulations which might result in clear, fair and safe game. Additionally – can it be developed? Can new systems be created? Or the handball game shrinks because of the limitations.

This year’s champion tournaments have provided a lot of material, which should be used in a proper way.

In this issue we have given a lot of space to the Championships held in Italy. We consider the important game aspects focusing on those, which influence the game – its evolution and tendencies. The art of training, in a considerable way, should be based on the masters’ patterns. And they can only be found among competitors of the best teams that succeeded in the most important tournaments.