eSports



Global Strategy

Attracting Mass

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NCG

WCG

Audience

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Gaming is an exciting Skill Sport

We Are Entertainment

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But Remain Comparatively Niche



Different Paths to Mass











Strategic Relationships











Grassroots Events

Programming has been the Key

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What can we learn from th Korean Experience?

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Game Broadcasting in Korea

Cable TV

OnGamenet

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- Korea No.1 cable game channel which broadcasts with various contents of game including game league. (24 hour broadcasting)

MBC Game

- E-sports oriented cable game channel which is owned by Korean major broadcasting station, MBC. (24 hour broadcasting)

- ✓ Game League (Live & Rebroadcast) : Broadcast pro & amateur competition
- Game preview : News / game introduction

Game Strategy & Tip : Offering play tips from the professional game players

People : Documentary-type for professional game player

Public Broadcasting

SBS Game

Weekly basis program of Korean major broadcasting station,
 SBS (Every Thursday, 00:40)

Game preview : News / game introduction



<Cable Channel M/S>

	Channel	Share%
1	MBC Drama Net	11.18
2	Tooniverse	5.91
3	KBS Drama	5.37
4	SBS Drama Plus	5.26
5	OCN	4.41
6	t∨N	3.84
7	Champ	3.62
8	Comedy TV	3.62
9	Mnet	3.39
10	e-channel	3.38
11	Cannel CGV	2.94
12	SUPER ACTION	2.6
13	XTM	2.45
14	Ongamenet	2.31
15	MBC MOVIES	2.25
16	MBC ESPN	2.17
17	MBC Game	2.09
18	Dramax	1.9
19	OnStyle	1.82
20	O'live	1.63

Data period : July.16 - 22

Target : Age 10 - 34

Range : Nationwide

Content

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Category	Broadcasting Type	Description	Program
Game League (Professional gamers)	Cable	 Live & re-broadcasting of game league (Round basis) Program which presents highlight scenes 	 WCG2007 (OnGamenet) DAUM Starcraft League (OnGamenet) GomTV MLS league (MBC Game) Shinhan Bank Cup proleague (OnGamenet)
Game Competition (Pro+Amateur)	Cable 2	• Live & re-broadcasting of game league (Round basis)	 GomTV Kart Rider league (OnGamenet) Hyundai Motor Cup FIFA Online eague (OnGamenet) Club Audition League (Ongamenet)
News	Cable / Public	 News of game industry Introduction of new released titles 	 New game spark(MBC Game) Game Express (OnGamenet) GameShow (SBS game)
Education	Cable	Introduce strategy and tips for game playing	 Game Tip (OnGamenet) Star unlimited challenge (MBC Game)
Documentary	Cable	Introduce pro-gamers and their everyday life	Real Story Pro Gamer (OnGamenet)

Is It All About Starcraft?

Zerg Rush

Zerg Egg

2. Superior



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Morphing

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Not Just Starcraft

Zerg Egg



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Morphing

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Case Study – EA SPORTS™ FIFA Online

League Structure

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1st Stage

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Higher Rank 64 teams from online preliminary League. (Total 30K participants)

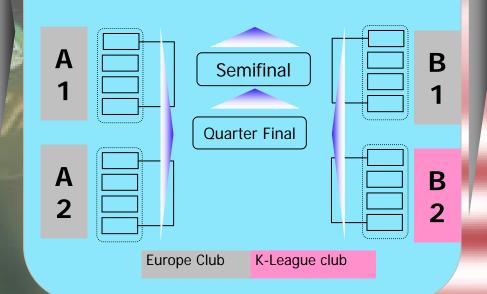


16 teams via off-line Matches.



2nd Stage

- 3 groups for 'Europe Club', 1group for K-League club
- Match process : Full league in 16 groups → Quarter final → Semifinal



3rd Stage



- Off-line field Final hook up Broadcast
- Opening event match between Pro-gamers (Detail later on)
- Prize : About 30M KRW, Include Hyundai motor car 'AVANTE' for winner





VS

Case Study – EA SPORTS™ FIFA Online

EA SPORTS [™] FIFA Online 2006 Hyundai Motor Cup World Championship

STRUP:

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Sponsor	Hyundai Motors SPURIS	
Broadcasting	MBC GAME EA	
Schedule	 Off-Preliminary match : Sep.30(Saturday)- IPARK mall 4thfloor Event mall Main league : Oct.13(Friday) ~ Dec.15(Friday).2006 Finals : Dec.21(Thursday).2006 	
Games	EA SPORTS TM FIFA Online 2 vs 2 Club-Match	
Place	 Main league : COEX Mall MBC Game Hero Center Finals : Lotte World 'Garden Stage' 	
Prizes	 Prizes : Approx 30M KRW (approximately 30K USD) 1st prize : Include Hyundai motor's brand new car 'AVANTE' 	
Air time	 Everyweek Friday 18:00 / 90min. live broadcasting for main league Dec. 22 (18:00 – 19:30). Recorded broadcasting for final match 	

Electronic Arts Korea

Case Study – EA SPORTS™ FIFA Online

Broadcasting Schedule

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Electronic Arts Korea

2007 Hyundai Motor World Cup

- Championship 1007 Hyundai Motor Cup World Championship
 - Official game league sponsored by Hyundai Motor
 - Broadcasted every Thursday on Ongamenet from May 31 to Aug 2
 - Final match to be held on Aug 11





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Some Assumptions

- Establish eSports as a true sport of skill and integrity
- Make it accessible to a mass audience (e.g., casual gamers), but don't expect it to be universal
- A relatively consistent set of rules and mechanics can be developed
- Much will be shot "live" but editing will play a large role
- Assumes support from and dialogue with programmers, leagues, developers and publishers, constantly enhancing and advancing possibilities







Madden Nation





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BATTLEFIELD

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NBA Live





NBA Live: Bring It Home

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Keys To Success

1. Create Celebrity Personas



Put Gamers on a Pedestal

Make Them Interesting Individuals
Highlight and Celebrate Their Skills

•Validate Gamers and Gaming Culture

> Tell Their Stories

Tell Their Stories

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Creating Celebrity

- Tell their stories
- Feature the most charismatic players



Feature The Charisma

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Create Interesting Personas

- Tell their stories
- Feature the most charismatic players
- Elevate the best players



Elevate the best

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Highlight and Celebrate Their Skill

- Explain strategic and physical skills
- Highlight their training regimens



Explain Strengths

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Highlight and Celebrate Their Skill

- Explain strategic and physical skills
- Highlight their training regimens
- Have players share tips and insights



Player Tips

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Keys To Success

1. Create celebrity

2. Make the programming recognizable and easy to understand



Recognizable and Easy to Understand

Give the audience a "god's eye view"
 Build it from the familiar



God's Eye View

- Put viewers inside the players head
 - Insert pre-game, mid-game and post-game interviews with the players DURING the game



Pre, Mid and Post Interviews



God's Eye View

- Put them inside the players head
 - Insert pre-game, mid-game and post-game interviews with the players DURING the game
- Editing is the key: don't rely on going "live"

• Give the announcers time to announce and the color guys time to color



Give the announcers time



God's Eye View

- Put them inside the players head
 - Insert pre-game, mid-game and post-game interviews with the players DURING the game
- Leverage editing: don't rely on going "live"
 - Give the announcers time to announce and the color guys time to color
 - Utilize instant replays, freeze maps
 - Create a great graphics package
 - Collect as many camera angles as possible



Use The Medium

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Keys To Success

- 1. Put the players on a pedestal
- 2. Make the programming recognizable and easy to understand
- 3. Find and nurture the drama



Drama 101: Conflict

- Highlight historical rivalries between players
- Establish "favorites" and "underdogs"
 - Relative strengths and weaknesses of players (stats, records and styles)
- Emphasize Conflict
 - Allow trash talk (within reason) and player interaction



Bring out conflict

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Get the Crowd Involved

•Enhance and/or exaggerate the role of the crowd.

Validation



Crowd Involvement



Edit for Excitement

- Edit through slow points, hit highlights
- Build/allow for anticipation of big moments and the "final kill"



Edit to High Points



Edit and Pace Smartly

- Edit through slow points, hit highlights
- Build/allow for anticipation of big moments and the "final kill"
- Finish big with strong highlights.



Play Up Highlights



Parting Thoughts

- Validate Gamers and Gaming
- Many things need to be done to "go mass", but programming can elevate them all
- Thank You!



QUESTIONS?

