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Biathle & Triathle World Championships, Guatemala 2014 an all-inclusive event
Hundreds of international athletes – a great number of whom participated in all competitions – from across the globe amazed spectators with their stamina, determination and passion over three days of competition as they pushed themselves to the limit in the 2014 Biathle/Triathle World Championships held at the Naval Academy of Puerto San Jose in Guatemala from October 8-10.

The athletes taking part were as young as 11 in the Youth E categories, to those in the Masters D category where competitors were over 70.

It made for a compelling and exciting three days of competition in Guatemala which was made all the more special as this was the first time the World Championships had been all inclusive with races for athletes with both mental disability and visual impairment.

As always, the Championships attracted a top-class field of competitors for both Biathle and Triathle but this time, with 12 Paralympic athletes taking part, the event made a clear step forward for all.

The Puerto San Jose Naval Academy was the perfect venue for the championships, which were also blessed with beautiful weather and conditions that were greatly appreciated by all who were involved from athletes to officials and spectators.

Host nation Guatemala were among the many countries from across the globe who tasted medal success over three thrilling days of competition.

Russia and Japan also featured prominently along with the likes of South Africa and Egypt as an impressive array of countries from across the world ensured they were strongly represented at the World Championships.

First-time medallist Georgia, which has only recently joined the ever-growing Biathle and Triathle movement, was one of the debutting countries quickly welcomed and integrated into a sporting family which continues to touch the hearts and minds of competitors and fans throughout the world.

The excellent efforts of the Organising Committee were also one of the important features of a highly successful three-day event.

Everyone within the UIPM community is already very much looking forward to the 2015 World Biathle/Triathle Championships in Tbilisi, Georgia.

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Asian Games
Incheon, Korea 2014

A total of 43 athletes from 6 nations - China, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, South Korea and Uzbekistan - competed in Modern Pentathlon at the 2014 Asian Games in Incheon. China came out on top by winning three of the four gold medals on offer but South Korea won more medals overall, with five. Japan took home the other three.

To the delight of the home crowd, South Korea's gold came in the women's team event which closed proceedings at Dream Park. Choi Min-ji, Jeong Mi-na, Kim Sun-woo and Yang Soo-jin were the winners, ahead of Japan in second place and China - whose team included all three of the pentathletes who won team gold at the 2014 World Modern Pentathlon Championships in Warsaw only one month before - back in third.

In every other event in Incheon, the Chinese were unbeatable. Guo Jianli took gold in the Men's Individual competition, and he teamed up to claim a second gold alongside Han Jiahao, Su Haihang and Zhang Linbin.

Although she could not steer her team to victory, Qian Chen took gold in the Women's Individual event. She was joined on the podium by silver medallist Yang (KOR) and bronze medallist Choi (KOR). This was the fourth time Modern Pentathlon had taken place at the Asian Games. After its debut in Hiroshima (JAP) in 1994, it returned to the programme in Busan (KOR) in 2002 and then again in Guangzhou (CHN) in 2010.

Korea still leads the all-time medal table with 19 medals, including 7 golds, although China are not far behind with 15 including 6 golds.
Sarasota gearing up for the biggest and best World Cup event yet

The opening round of next year’s World Cup in Sarasota, USA, is rapidly taking shape after the Local Organizing Committee and UIPM officials held a seminar in the Florida city. Sarasota played host to the 2014 World Cup finals and has located a new venue at Nathan Benderson Park for 2015 World Cup #1, which will take place from February 17-22.

Rob Stull, managing director of USA Modern Pentathlon who will again oversee the event, added: “The quality of the World Cup event held here in 2014 made it one of the best of the year, anywhere in the world. We look forward to applying the same standards to produce the same top-quality Modern Pentathlon event this year.” Katherine Harris, executive chair of Sarasota-Bradenton Modern Pentathlon, also spoke at the venue announcement, which was attended by a large delegation from UIPM led by Secretary General Shiny Fang.

Last year, World Cup #5 was such a success that it was estimated to have generated more than $1.9 million in economic benefits for the Counties of Sarasota and Bradenton. Next year organisers hope to attract more than 20,000 spectators to support 24 American athletes among the 200-plus taking part. And Sarasota LOC officials have much more than sport in mind for the historic six-day event.

Shiny Fang commented: “Sarasota is one of the most passionate Local Organizing Committees that we have worked with. Cultural association is very important for our sport and the cultural programme proposed for 2015 World Cup #1 fits perfectly with our philosophy. We are in doubt that this is going to be a fantastic event.”

Nigeria Pentathlon Federation inaugurated

After the inauguration of the Nigeria Pentathlon Federation in Lagos by officials of the Nigeria Olympic Committee, its first President, Dr Jonathan Nnaji, expressed hope that this important step would allow Nigeria to win more medals at international competitions. “It’s a good thing that we have Pentathlon and many Nigerians have embraced the sport and have the potentials of winning laurels for Team Nigeria,” Dr Nnaji said.

He added that many Nigerian athletes had been clamouring for an infrastructure for their sport in the country for some time and were overjoyed at the establishment of a recognised federation. Olufemi Abioye becomes the first Secretary General of the Federation and Hon Bappa Misau Aliu will serve as Vice-President.

Pakistan stages first national championships in Punjabi capital

Musawwar Hayat has become the first national champion of Pakistan after the inaugural Pentathlon Championship were held at Punjab Football Stadium in Lahore. Abdul Aziz finished second followed by Zubair
Ahmed in third.
Organized by a collaboration between the Pakistan Modern Pentathlon Federation (PMPF) and Sports Board Punjab (SBP), athletes from seven regions - Punjab, Sindh, Balochistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KPK), Wapda, Azad Kashmir and Islamabad - took part in a biathlon of swimming and athletics.
Usman Anwar, Director General of Sports Punjab, said in his address as chief guest said that the future of pentathlon was bright in Pakistan.
“The way SBP and PMPF organized the event in a successful manner, now there is no doubt about the prospects of this new game in our country,” he said.
The event was preceded by a training camp at Punjab Stadium for male and female athletes, as well as referees, overseen by Czech coach Michael Janca.
PMPF’s General Council also elected 10 office bearers including two women members. Riaz Fitiyana is the President.

Kosovo Olympic Committee recognised; boost for Modern Pentathlon in the region

The highly active Modern Pentathlon community in Kosovo has been given a tremendous boost after the Executive Board of the IOC granted provisional recognition to the Kosovo Olympic Committee and proposed that it be granted full recognition at the IOC Session in Monaco in December.
Kosovo’s NOC, established in 1992, recognises its MP federation as one of 30 sporting bodies, 13 of them Olympic sports.
The development means that Kosovo’s top pentathletes can now target participation at the 2016 Rio Olympic Games or the 2020 event in Tokyo. Kosovo is recognised as a country by 108 of the 193 UN Member States.

Argentine in recruitment drive for Buenos Aires 2018 YOG

After the success of Modern Pentathlon at Nanjing the 2014 Youth Olympic Games, eyes are already turning to the third YOG in 2018, to be held in Buenos Aires.
In fact, the Argentine Modern Pentathlon Federation has begun a recruitment drive to identify talented young athletes who can become pentathletes in time to perform in front of their home crowd in 2018.
Biathle was introduced in the recent “Evita Games”, the National School Games of Argentina. And with 3000 young people taking part in Pentathlon across the country and 150 coaches from 22 states enrolling in the sport, under the direction of the High Performance Centre in Buenos Aires, the outlook looks very promising for 2018.

Training camp in Colombo, Sri Lanka

Seven coaches and seven athletes attended a comprehensive training camp in the Sri Lankan capital prepared by UIPM Development Manager Maxime Papillon and delivered by Alexandre Magno-Franca (Brazil) and Christian Roudaut (France).
The seven coaches have been recruited to Pentathlon from swimming and athletics backgrounds and all of the athletes who attended the camp were high-ranked swimmers at national level between the ages 12 and 17. The tuition was a mixture of theory and practical and all classes were held at the Sri Lankan Olympic Committee headquarters, with physical training carried out at local clubs.
The coaches were all assessed and ranked under the UIPM “Coach Level” criteria and all participants of the camp received a certificate from the NOC.

Tributes to Sir Tay Wilson

Sir Tay Wilson, who died on October 26 aged 89, was a very dear friend and colleague to all at UIPM and a great champion of our sport.
He served as President of the New Zealand Modern Pentathlon Federation and, up until his sad passing, was an honorary member of the IOC who was also President of the New Zealand Pierre de Coubertin Committee.
Sir Tay was a hugely respected figure across the world for his selfless dedication in serving New Zealand Sport as an administrator, athlete and leader and was, without doubt, one of the most crucial figures responsible for New Zealand’s strong presence within the Olympic Movement.
His skill, influence and tireless work through his years on the various...
Olympic and Commonwealth Games Committees within Oceania and further afield will ensure New Zealand remains at the forefront of all that is good and true within the Olympic movement for many years to come.

He will best be remembered for his bravery as Chef de Mission of the New Zealand team of four athletes who defied the government led boycott of the Moscow 1980 Olympic Games. That team, of course, included Modern Pentathlete Brian Newth. All at UIPM feel the sadness of his passing, but at the same time we wish to honour and pay tribute to a wonderful man and his outstanding contribution to sport within New Zealand, the Olympic family and our own sport of Modern Pentathlon.

Sir Tay’s passing was greeted with generous tributes from around the world of sport. Thomas Bach, President of the IOC, said: “Sir Tay was a man full of passion for sport. He believed strongly in the integrity of sport, and spent most of his life working to protect it. “The entire Olympic movement will miss him. We express our deepest sympathies to the family of Tay Wilson and the Olympic community in New Zealand.”

The UIPM President, Dr Klaus Schormann and General Secretary Shiny Fang were in attendance and briefed the respective Committee members both on UIPM activities over the year to date and future plans.

The main point of discussion was to decide the rules of the Fencing Bonus Round to be sent to the UIPM Executive Board for presentation to Congress in Sofia in late November. A question-and-answer session also took place.

In the afternoon, a meeting of the UIPM Technical Committee followed the joint meeting. The members received reports on the UIPM competitions held so far in 2014, discussed the ITO educational programme, clarified some rules issues to be presented to the UIPM Executive Board and agreed proposed appointments of Technical Delegates for major events in 2015.

Sport For All Commission begins work

UIPM’s newly-created Sport for All Commission met for the first time in Warsaw on September 8, at the conclusion of the Senior World Championships.

This meeting was convened to formally define the purpose of the commission and discuss upcoming matters and their implications for UIPM. One of the main challenges is to create a means of making Pentathlon more accessible to those countries that are most restricted by resources. That is the basis of UIPM’s increased focus on integration in international organizations - namely the recent inclusion of Modern Pentathlon and UIPM in the International Paralympic Committee (IPC), the University Sport International Federation (FISU) and in the SportAccord World Games.

By making our sport more integrated, more countries can have access to international Biathle and Triathle competitions which can be arranged more easily. The Youth Olympic Games has already shown the path by making Tetrathlon an Olympic sport. The commission discussed the considerable potential that exists to make Pentathlon more appealing to future generation of athletes and grow the UIPM family.

The members of the Sport for All Commission are the Chairman and UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann, Kitty Chiller, Angela Ives, Viacheslav Malishev, Fridah B.M. Shiroya and Maxime Papillon. Also in attendance at the first meeting were UIPM Secretary General Shiny Fang and Marketing and Media Manager Roque Teixeira.

JOINT MEETING WITH THE TECHNICAL AND COACHES COMMITTEES IN WARSAW, POLAND

SPORTS FOR ALL COMMISSION MEETING IN WARSAW, POLAND

Joint meeting with the Technical Committee and the Coaches Committee

The first-ever joint meeting of the UIPM Technical Committee and UIPM Coaches Committee was held on September 8 in Warsaw, at the conclusion of the Senior World Championships.
Medical and Anti-Doping Corner

WADA has completed its amendment to Section S2.1 of the 2014 List of Prohibited Substances and Methods valid from the 1st September 2014. Hypoxia-Inducible Factor (HIF) activators Xenon and Argon have been added to the 2014 Prohibited List, following the required three-month notice period and UNESCO’s communication to all States Parties.

The recommendation to revise the List was made and approved by WADA’s Executive Committee during its May meeting. The new List can be found in the Medical Corner of the UIPM website (pentathlon.org).

Tournament & Training Camp Invitations

This is an important notice for all Athletes and Competitions organisers to continuously check pentathlon.org for all information related to invitations and visa letters. Navigate to http://www.pentathlon.org/competitions/invitations to stay up to date with all tournament news.

You can also directly follow the links, which are underlined, in the tournaments below:

**Tournament Invitations**

**International Epee Fencing Training Camp**
Prague, Czech Republic
7-14 December 2014

**Turkey Training Camp**
Mersin, Turkey
24 January - 15 February 2015
During the Asian Games in Incheon UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann joined Vice-President Kuisung Choi in Mungyeong to inspect the new Korean Military Sport Centre, where they viewed the venue plan for the 6th CISM Military World Games (Oct 2-11, 2015), which will be staged under the CISM motto ‘Friendship Through Sport’. The Chief of Staff, Army Colonel Gui Chan Jeon, and his chief officers outlined the possibilities for training and competition in this complex, which caters for 24 sports. The Korea Armed Forces Athletic Corps is the main training centre for Korean high-performance and also for younger athletes.

On September 30, Dr Schormann attended the General Assembly of the Asian Modern Pentathlon Confederation (AMPC) along with UIPM Member for Sport Janusz Peciak, Technical Committee members Dr Vladimir Miller and Jose Maria Santos, and UIPM Competition Manager Karen Myers. After an opening speech by UIPM EB Member Jaiyeong Lee, who is also President of AMPC and the Korean Modern Pentathlon Association, Dr Schormann briefed delegates from member federations about UIPM activities in 2014. The key subjects of his address were the new competitive opportunities opened up by UIPM’s membership of FISU and IPC and affiliation with the World Beach Games and World Urban Games. He stressed that Biathle, Triathle and Tetrathlon competitions must be strongly supported so that National Federations can provide more opportunities for all age groups to compete.

Dr Schormann then met with the regional Presidents of the KMPA to share ideas about enlarging development of our sport in Korea and neighbouring countries. He gave special thanks to the Modern Pentathlon President from Incheon, Choon-Mo Yoon, who was responsible for MP competitions at the Asian Games.
2-3. OCT – INCHEON, KOREA

On October 2-3, together with thousands of spectators, President Schormann followed the MP competitions at the Games, which were organized to a very high standard and received a lot of media support, including live TV broadcasts on both days.

3. OCT – INCHEON, KOREA

On October 3 Dr Schormann and UIPM Secretary General Shiny Fang met Major General Aslizar Tanjung, Chairman of the Sport Development Commission for the Indonesian Olympic Committee, to discuss the creation of a National Federation of Modern Pentathlon in Indonesia. A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed with the NOC President and IOC Member, Mrs Rita Subowo. Indonesia is to host the Asian Games in 2018.

4. OCT – INCHEON, KOREA

On October 4 Dr Klaus Schormann had a private meeting with ANOC and Asian Council President and IOC Member Sheikh Ahmad Al Fahad Al Sabah to discuss items on the IOC Agenda 2020 and relations between NOCs and International Federations as the two most important pillars in the Olympic Movement. The UIPM President expressed his respect for the very well-organized Asian Games under the Sheikh's leadership and thanked him for the strong support he is giving to the whole sporting world.

07.-15. OCT – ESCUINTLA, GUATEMALA

UIPM President Dr. Klaus Schormann and 1st Vice President Ivar Sisniega visited the World Championship Biathle & Triathle held in the Pacific Naval Command in Escuintla, Guatemala. During the visit they met on...
various occasions with Siegfried Brand, President of the Guatemala Association of Modern Pentathlon, where they spoke about development of MP and the non-Olympic sub-sports, which is critical to unearthing more talent for the MP movement. They visited a new horse centre close to Guatemala City, where in the coming years major MP competitions can be organized comprising all five disciplines.

10.OCT - ESCUINTLA, GUATEMALA

On October 10, Dr Schormann was briefed on plans for the 2015 World Biathle/Triathle Championship in Tbilisi, Georgia, by Viacheslav Malishev. As well as being President of the Georgian Modern Pentathlon and Triathlon Association, he is a member in the UIPM Sport for All Commission.

14.OCT - GUATEMALA CITY, GUATEMALA

On October 14, UIPM President Dr Schormann met with IOC EB Member Willi Kaltschmitt in Guatemala City, where the GMPA President Siegfried Brand and former world-class athlete Annica Kepfer joined them for a working dinner.

19.-21.OCT – MONACO

During a visit to UIPM Headquarters, Dr. Schormann prepared documents for 2014 Congress in Sofia with Secretary General Shiny Fang and all staff members - with Legal Adviser Prof Michael Geistlinger dialling in via telephone - and worked on new development projects for Africa and Asia and documents for promotion and marketing.

22.OCT – DARMSTADT, GERMANY

Dr Klaus Schormann met with Pierre Portmann and Thomas Ruf from CentraxaTV und Medienrechte AG to sign a sponsor document which will be linked to broadcasting the main Modern Pentathlon competitions.

27.OCT – FRANKFURT, GERMANY

In his position as Executive Board member of the German Olympic Academy (DOA), UIPM President Dr Schormann attended the EB meeting where he discussed with colleagues the results of Olympic Youth Camps that were held at the 2014 Sochi Winter Olympics and Nanjing Youth Olympics, and looked ahead to similar camps taking place in conjunction with the 1st European Games in Baku in 2015 and the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio. The discussions centred around the theme of the symposium “Olympic Idea - Nowadays” and activities in the International Olympic Academy in Olympia for coaches, athletes and educational professionals.

The main points for discussion were the IOC Agenda 2020 and the development of Modern Pentathlon in Guatemala and future competitive possibilities. The country has now hosted the World Championships in 2006, UIPM Congress in 2008 and now the World B/T Championships in 2014.
29.-30 OCT – SOFIA, BULGARIA

On October 29 the Bulgarian Olympic Committee celebrated its 90th anniversary. Many Olympic medallists and honourable guests were present including Patrick Hickey, head of the European Olympic Committees and member of the IOC Executive Board. UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann thanked the Bulgarian Government for its ongoing support of the Olympic movement and presented the President of the Republic of Bulgaria, Mr Rosen Plevneliev, the UIPM Pierre de Coubertin Medal in gold.

At a reception held by the Bulgarian Olympic Committee to commemorate its 90th anniversary, Dr Schormann made a speech in which he paid tribute to the long history of Modern Pentathlon in Bulgaria, which organized many international competitions like European and World Championships and is now hosting the UIPM EB meeting and 2014 Congress in Sofia from November 26-30. He also mentioned the time when Biathlon was a part of UIPM (then UIPMB).

President Schormann presented the UIPM plaque in recognition of the anniversary to BOC President Stefka Kostadinova. During the celebrations the UIPM President shared ideas and opinions linked to the IOC agenda 2020 and discussed sensitive political matters within the Olympic Movement with IOC EB Member and President of the European Olympic Committees, Patrick Hickey.

The President of the Bulgaria Modern Pentathlon Federation, Andrey Kuzmanov, accompanied the UIPM President throughout the occasion and they spoke together with the country’s Minister for Youth and Sport, Evgeniya Radanova, about the forthcoming UIPM Congress, where she will be involved in a meeting on November 28 at which the European Confederation President, Dmitry Svatkovsky, will also be present.

On October 30 Dr Schormann and BMPF President Andrey Kuzmanov discussed the development of Modern Pentathlon and UIPM’s non-Olympic sub-sports in the whole Balkan region and the creation of new member federations like Slovenia, Croatia etc. They spoke about...
the prominent role that University sport must play in the coming years after the establishment of UIPM as a new member of FISU.

31.OCT-02.NOV – ISTANBUL, TURKEY

In his first meeting with Mr Yasar Aksin, President of the Modern Pentathlon Federation of Turkey, on October 31 Dr Schormann gave a thorough briefing about the achievements of UIPM in 2014 and explained its future goals through Biathle, Triathle, Tetrathlon and Modern Pentathlon. He emphasised how many different formats of competition are now made accessible to produce more athletes for our movement. They discussed new competitions that can be organized in Turkey from next year on and the promotion of Modern Pentathlon through a new trainer-and-coach system and special clinics – including all Balkan MP Federations. In this meeting the Turkish Olympic Committee’s Director of Sport, Mr Alp Berker, and Mr Tamer Taspinar, Deputy General Director of the Turkish Sports Ministry, were deeply involved in the discussions.

In the evening the TOC President Prof Dr Ugur Erdener, an IOC EB Member, hosted a working dinner for the group to underline his strong support for Modern Pentathlon in his country. Dr Schormann handed over to Prof Erdener, who is also the Chairman of the IOC Medical Commission, an important paper written by Prof Dr Michael Ockenfels for UIPM. It is an offer to the IOC medical commission to conduct research.

01.NOV - ISTANBUL, TURKEY

On November 1 the TMPF President Yasar Aksin and his equestrian chief, Mrs Serpil Erden, briefed President Dr Schormann about their various training centres and training sessions and their plans up to 2020. Later they visited the rural riding centre of Mrs Erden, where the main training clinics in all five disciplines are organized and staged.

The Deputy Mayor of the well-known Turkish tourist city Kusadasi, Dr Ayse Serifoglu, presented to President Dr Schormann the first bids for open international Biathle and Triathle competitions to be held in conjunction with the tourist board. In parallel they would like to organize a cultural festival and other activities for athletes and fans.
New Balance World Rankings.

The PWR is updated live on www.pentathlon.org after each competition. PWR as at 31 October 2014:

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The Full New Balance World Ranking is available on www.pentathlon.org

UIPM CONGRESS Schedule

**Thursday, 27 November 2014**
Arrival of Delegations

**Friday, 28 November 2014**
10:00-17:00 UIPM HQ separate meetings with nations
19:30-22:00 Welcome Cocktail - Dinner for all delegates

**Saturday, 29 November 2014**
09:00-18:00 Congress Day 1
20:00-00:00 Gala Dinner

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Departure of Delegations
Calendar

International Competitions

November

Asian Beach Games
Phuket, Thailand
14-21 November 2014

CAC Games
Xalapa, Mexico
14-18 November 2014

UIPM Congress
Sofia, Bulgaria
29-30 November 2014

December

FISU Beach Games
Maceio, Brazil
6-7 December 2014

South America Biathle/Triathle Championships
Trinidad, Uruguay
6-7 December 2014

“The Modern Pentathlon event would test a man’s moral qualities as much as his physical resources and skills, producing thereby the ideal, complete athlete.”

Baron Pierre de Coubertin, founder of the modern olympic games

MODERN PENTATHLON

Key-Milestones

PENTATHLON IN THE ANCIENT GAMES
708 BC - Lampis of Sparta won the first ancient Pentathlon

MODERN PENTATHLON

1912 - Stockholm: First time in the Olympic Programme
1948 - London: the UIPM was established
1996 - Atlanta: First Olympic Games all 5 events took place in one day
1998 - Budapest, Mexico, Monaco, Olympia, Lausanne: UIPM celebrates 50th Anniversary
2000 - Sydney: First time women pentathletes competed in the Olympics
2004 - Athens: Pentathlon home after 2712 years

2010 - Singapore: Combined event (running and shooting) and laser pistol introduced into the Olympic programme
2012 - London: 100 Years of Modern Pentathlon in the Olympic Games
2014 - UIPM joins the International Paralympic Family and the University Sports Family
2016 - Rio de Janeiro: Fencing Bonus Round previews in the Olympic Games