

## Union Internationale de Pentathlon Moderne Newsletter FEBRUARY 2015

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### 2015 UIPM World Cup #1

Olympic journey begins under Florida sun



SARASOTA-BRADENTON HOSTED THE FIRST COMPETITION OF THE UIPM SEASON









## 2015 UIPM World Cup #1 A thrilling start to the season in Sarasota

MANY of the world's leading Modern Pentathletes embarked on the "Road to Rio" as the first leg of the UIPM World Cup series took place from 18-23 February in the Florida sunshine.

Over five days in Sarasota, nearly 200 Olympic-standard athletes from 35 countries pushed their minds and bodies to the limit for gold and glory across the five disciplines of swimming, fencing, riding and the combined event of running and shooting.

With the exception of the Olympic Games and UIPM World Championships, the World Cup is the most prestigious event in any Modern Pentathlon calendar and for many athletes in Sarasota it was the start of the qualification process for the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio.

Planning for the first competition of the UIPM World Cup series was meticulous and the two venues, Selby Aquatic Center and Nathan Benderson Park, were in pristine condition for the 300-plus athletes and the thousands of spectators, who were treated to the dramatic spectacle of the Fencing Bonus Round, which was approved at UIPM Congress last November in Sofia.

In between the breathtaking action, spectators enjoyed a range of activities both sporting and cultural that made for a festive atmosphere. These included everything from fencing and laser shooting to circus acts, cheerleaders and the Art of The Pentathlon Exhibit by the Ringling College of Art.

Dr Klaus Schormann, UIPM Presto think about evident, said: "I would like to thank and find that fee the Local Organizing Committee, World Champions USA Pentathlon and all of the team to the World Cup.



DR. SCHORMANN DURING THE UIPM 2015 WORLD CUP #1 PRESS CONFERENCE WITH THE UIPM SECRETARY GENERAL SHINY FANG, KATHERINE HARRIS, PRESIDENT OF THE LOC AND THE ATHLETES MARGAUX ISAKSEN AND AMRO EL GEZIRY

members who contributed to this World Cup. I also want to say a special thank you to all of the volunteers, the local community and the media."

### Women's Individual: Samantha Murray (GBR) wins gold

Great Britain's Samantha Murray was crowned the Women's Individual champion at the UIPM 2015 World Cup #1 after a breathtaking day of live sporting action.

The British dominance of the Women's Individual Final was such that Kate French took third place after a strong finish in a thrilling Combined Event. Local favourite Margaux Isaksen (USA) split the British pair by taking silver to the delight of a large, enthusiastic audience.

Jubilant winner Samantha Murray said: "I am really proud of myself because in the semi-final I was really shaky and felt like I wasn't in the right place mentally to do a competition, but I took the time yesterday to think about everything and try and find that feeling I had at the World Championships and bring it to the World Cup.

"The thing with pentathlon is that you should be really happy when you make the podium because with five diverse events you never know what's going to happen. I'm just really grateful for every time I stand on a podium because I see that as a massive achievement."

Second-placed Margaux Isaksen was delighted with the backing of her home crowd. She said: "Hearing their cheers definitely helped push me on. I know I have a lot of work to do on the shooting range, but overall I'm happy."

The UIPM President, Dr Klaus Schormann, paid tribute to the hard work of the athletes and of those working behind the scenes and said: "From the success and excitement of the Fencing Bonus Round all the way to the atmosphere of the pool, the grace of human and horse working together in the Riding and the thrill of the Combined Event – we experienced every emotion today."

Thirty-six of the world's leading female pentathletes lined up for the Women's Individual Final and it was China's Xiaonan Zhang (CHN) who









was the early leader with an impressive start in the Fencing. She was closely tailed by Poland's Anna Maliszewska (POL) and Margaux Isaksen (USA).

First place in the 200m Swim was shared by Samantha Murray (GBR) in 2:09:84 and her French counterpart Elodie Clouvell in 2:09:71 leaving them placed second and third respectively heading into the Riding Event. However, despite coming only 6th in the pool, Margaux Isaksen shot to the top of the leaderboard after 2 events.

But there was some change in terms of placings after the Riding Event. Previous leader Margaux Isaksen (USA) didn't have a strong round finishing 24th in the competition, which saw her drop down to third place and with an 11-second handicap.

She was overtaken by both Murray (GBR), who moved into first, and Clouvell (FRA) who jumped up to second overall, with a five second handicap, heading in to the Combined Event of running and shooting.

It was German Janine Kohlmann who rode to glory and first place in the Riding Event, leaving her 11th going into the final discipline. There was everything to play for when the starter's pistol went off but, despite some intense competition from the rest of the field, Murray (GBR) dug deep and stayed strong to hold on to first place and take Gold.

Her compatriot Kate French put in a strong display in the final discipline to pass a number of her fellow athletes in the field finishing in Bronze medal position. Margaux Isaksen (USA) secured the Silver medal.

Donata RIMSAITE (RUS) finished in 4th place, while Lena SCHONE-BORN (GER) finished 5th and Wanxia LIANG (CHN) in 6th place.



WOMEN'S COMPETITION PODIUM

The fastest time overall in the Combined Event was achieved by Donata Rimsaite (RUS) in a time of 13:05:48.

### Men's Individual: Cooke (GBR) wins gold

James Cooke completed a spectacular double for Great Britain as he matched the achievement of Samantha Murray by winning individual World Cup gold in Sarasota. Cooke's dramatic Men's Individual victory came at the end of a compelling Combined Event in which he overtook the leader, Amro El Geziry of Egypt, with three laps of the course to go - after which he never looked back.

The British success came 24 hours after Murray won the Women's Individual gold and Kate French picked up bronze in the same event.

Cooke, 23, already had one World Cup gold medal in his collection after his maiden triumph in Hungary in 2013, but this success was arguably the most impressive of his career as it allowed him to take the early initiative in terms of qualifying for the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro.

After a long day at the top of the leaderboard, El Geziry, his legs tiring on the sand and grass of Nathan Benderson Park and his aim wavering, was then overtaken by the Russian duo Egor Puchkarevs-



THE WINNER OF THE WOMEN'S COMPETITION, SAMANTHA MURRAY (GBR)









kiy and Ilia Frolov, who finished strongly behind Cooke to win silver and bronze respectively.

Egypt's 2014 world silver medallist finished fourth, with Ismael Hernandez (Mexico) 5th and Charlie Fernandez (Guatemala) 6th.

Finishing in 2nd place was a major breakthrough at senior level for Puchkarevskiy, who is eight years younger than Russian compatriot Frolov at 22, and who was crowned World Junior Champion last year in Drzonkow.

In 4th place was Amro El Geziry (EGY), while Ismael Hernandez (MEX) finished 5th and Charles Fernandez (GUA) 6th.

El Geziry (EGY) had been the man to beat for most of the day in Florida. He was 1st alongside Raman Pinchuk (Belarus) in the fencing round robin after 23 wins, and claimed the lead for himself in the swimming pool where his 200m time of 1min 58.05sec was not bettered.

The Egyptian stayed in pole position through the fencing bonus round and the riding stage, but El Geziry incurred three faults and that provided encouragement for the chasing pack.



THE MALE COMPETITION PODIUM OF THE UIPM 2015 WORLD CUP #1

It was Cooke (GBR) who best took advantage, and his concession of four penalty points allowed him to go into the Combined Event with a handicap of only four seconds.

Matthias Sandten (Germany) was third to start but he was quickly reined in by Puchkarevskiy (RUS), who kept up his momentum right to the finish line. Frolov (RUS) used all of his experience and stamina to reach the podium from a starting berth of 11th.

There was no stopping Cooke, however, who held his nerve with some decisive shooting, and as the sun set over Nathan Benderson Park the champion was warmly applauded on the podium by an appreciative crowd who had packed the stands all day.

"It's a good start to the year," said Cooke. "We've worked really hard over the winter period, the whole boys' team and the girls' team, and I think it has been reflected here because obviously Samantha won yesterday and Kate came third. It was fantastic to get another medal. "The plan is Rio. You've got to take it one step at a time, but it's really good that it's going well and I'm just happy with the result."

Dr Klaus Schormann, President of the Union Internationale de Pentathlon Moderne, once again praised the Local Organising Committee and USA Pentathlon for putting on such a captivating show. Speaking at the post-competition press conference, Dr Schormann also hailed the implementation of the Fencing Bonus Round as a valuable addition to the sport's format due to the increased pressure it places on the pentathletes.

#### Team Mix Relay: Russia wins gold

Russia were the victors in the Team Mix Relay Final on another thrilling and sometimes controversial final



JAMES COOKE AND AMRO EL GEZIRY DURING THE THRILLING COMBINED EVENT OF THE MEN'S FINAL









day of the UIPM 2015 World Cup #1, with Ireland taking silver and Canada bronze.

Aleksander Lesun and Anna Burjak formed a wonderfully balanced partnership in the Sarasota sun to consistently sit in the top three overall after each of the Events.

The elimination of early pace setters Egypt in the Riding arena, where they mistakenly jumped a fence the wrong way, saw the Russian duo replaced them in first place going into the Combined Event and their grip on gold never wavered.

Jubilant Alexsander Lesun said he hoped the Mix Relay would become a permanent fixture in all Modern Pentathlon Events. He said: I like this event, it is very interesting. It is not in the Olympics yet, but I hope that it could be for the Tokyo Olympics as I would like to see it recognised there."

Irish pentathletes Arthur Lanigan-O'Keeffe and Natalya Coyle secured silver with a fantastic surge up the table in a thrilling Combined Event which they had started sitting way down in eighth.

Arthur Lanigan-O'Keeffe was delighted with the result as he said: "It was pretty great. Kind of unexpected but great. I was waiting for



TEAM MIX-RELAY COMPETITION PODIUM

Natalya to come round the corner and I'd heard ten minutes before she was in fourth place, but then she appeared and was in first place and I'm shouting at her to run. "After that the shooting was good, my legs were a little bit tired but they managed to carry me to the end so I'm really happy."

Third was taken by Canadian duo Melanie McCann and Joshua Riker Fox.

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann concluded by saying he was delighted with the high standard of athletes at the competition as well as the work that went on behind the scenes.

He said: "When you look at the podium in the Mix Relay we have Russia, Ireland and Canada and this is I think a great advert for the event. "Just two years ago Ireland, who finish second, came back to our union and I think this is an important message to countries on how important it is to compete in Mix Relay.

"We had another big crowd today and there was some really tough running at the finish. There was a lot of drama on show and I think we can all say the competition was very well organised and a complete success.

"The weather was with us, the horses were good and what is important is that we have had a wonderful crowd around us. All the people I have spoken to so far, our guests from the IOC and others, have said this competition was a big success and a great start to the World Cup Series and the UIPM year.

"It is always great to start the season without any complications as it gives a confidence for the other competitions to follow.

"I have to say a huge thank you to the Modern Pentathlon Association of the United States and the



THE SWIMMING AND FENCING DISCIPLINES TOOK PLACE AT THE SELBY AQUATIC CENTER









Local Organising Committee, Katherine Harris and her team and a big clap for all the volunteers as everybody did the best work they possibly could."

After Great Britian's dominance in the Men's and Women's Individual events, there was no British team amongst the 15 taking part in the Mixed Relay leaving the door open for a few surprises on the final day. Amro El Geziry (EGY) started off well putting his disappointment from the Men's Individual Final behind him with a strong display in the Fencing along with partner Haydy Morsy to give them early control of the leaderboard after the first discipline.

The Egyptians were a good margin ahead of their second placed rivals Jaroslaw Swiderski and Oktawia Nowacka (POL) while Aleksander Lesun and Anna Burjak (RUS) sat a comfortable third going into the Swimming.

The Russians maintained a strong performance in the pool to finish the event in third place leaving them sitting second overall as the competition entered the Riding area.

A strong swim from Hikaru Shimano and Rena Shimazu (JPN) saw them take first place in the Swimming



SARASOTA'S NATHAN BENDERSON PARK WAS THE MAIN VENUE OF THE UIPM 2015 WORLD CUP #1

with the Irish duo coming in second.

Despite finishing way down the order in the Swimming Event, El Geziry and Morsy (EGY) held on to first place overall as the Riding got underway while Poland's Swiderski and Nowacka (POL) sat third overall.

Disaster struck for the Egyptians hopes of topping the podium in the Riding however as they were eliminated for jumping the practice fence the wrong way seeing them tumble all the way to the foot of the leaderboard and out of medal contention.

Lesun and Burjak (RUS) took over

at the top of the table followed by Swiderski and Nowacka (POL) with Iryna Khoklova and Emanuel Zapata (ARG) emerging as real podium possibilities as the Combined Event of running and shooting got underway.

The Team Mix Relay Combined Event ensured a tense finish to the UIPM World Cup #1 for the enthusiastic spectators, who watched a battle over the final metres of the course.

Russia were crowned champions ahead of Ireland and Canada, who had begun the Combined Event in fourth.

Katherine Harris, President of the Local Organising Committee in Sarasota, thanked the local community for the part they played in ensuring the success of World Cup #1: "I think the entire community and every spectator who turned out was elated and mesmerised by the athletes, the beauty of the sport and they feel they've been enlightened through pentathlon.

"Pentathletes are the most complete athletes around and the opportunity to be able to see these Olympic hopefuls at close quarters was an extraordinary honour."



THE AUDIENCE ENJOYED THE DRAMA OF THE FENCING BONUS ROUND









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## Biathle World Tour UAE stages successful series opener

Dubai hosted Race 1 of the UIPM Biathle World Tour Series where athletes from around the world competed against some of the top UAE based athletes.

This prestigious event is sanctioned by the Dubai Sports Council as well as The Union Internationale de Pentathlon Moderne (UIPM), which is recognized by the International Olympic Committee (IOC) as the world governing body for the sport of Modern Pentathlon and Biathle. The race took place on Saturday, 14 February 2015 at the World Class venue of Atlantis, the Palm Hotel Resort and Spa.

The UIPM Middle East Coordinator Mihail Kouzev said. "We are always enthusiastic about this event as it doesn't just offer participation for elite and experienced athletes, but promotes Biathle and Modern Pentathlon in this region. As a former International Pentathlete I am very eager to promote and develop our prestigious sport in this part of the world as I believe in the great values that the sport teaches. The Biathle is also a great way to stay fit and anyone who can run and swim can do it. We have the perfect venues to host such high ranked event. The combination of 6 stars hotels, beautiful open water beaches and the great



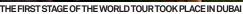
2015 BIATHLE WORLD TOUR PODIUM

weather condition during the month of February just makes it the perfect venue. We are looking forward to host many more successful Biathle events here in Dubai and UAE and to provide best conditions to all athletes to compete! Of course our main objective is to host Modern Pentathlon World Cup series and Modern Pentathlon World Championship events here, and I see this happening in the near future. I would like to take this opportunity and express our gratitude to the whole UIPM Family for their support and believe in us"

Race organizer Warren van der Merwe,

Managing Director of Super Sports commented: "The added bonus with this event is that the top 5 UAE local or UAE resident finishers in each age group for all junior and adult categories will be invited to represent the UAE as an International Team against the world's best when the XV UIPM Biathle World Championships takes place in Georgia in September 2015"















## News from around the **Modern Pentathlon World**

Kit McConnell, IOC Sports Director, Claudia Bokel, Chairwoman of the IOC Athletes Committee and Patrick Baumann, FIBA Secretary General attended the World Cup #1

On the last day of the competition in Sarasota, the Sports Director of the International Olympic Committee, Kit McConnell attended to the UIPM 2015 World Cup #1. February 22nd was also Mr McConnell's birthday and the UIPM family had the opportunity to celebrate with him.

After taking in the atmosphere of World Cup #1, the Sports Director of the IOC expressed his excitement with the experience and said: "The field of play is impactive and this strong connection between the spectators and the athletes is fantastic."

Another VIP in attendance at the weekend finals in Sarasota was Claudia Bokel, Chairwoman of the



UIPM SECRETARY GENERAL SHINY FANG WITH THE IOC SPORTS DIRECTOR KIT MCCONNELL AND THE LOC PRESIDENT KATHERINE HARRIS

IOC Athletes Committee and IOC Executive Board Member. Ms Bokel took in all of the finals and also took part in the athletes' meeting.

UIPM was also pleased to host Patrick Baumann, IOC Member, FIBA Secretary General and ASOIF Council Member, during a successful World Cup event that got the competitive year off to a strong start.

#### **Swimming New World Record**

One of the highlights of the UIPM 2015 World Cup #1 was Logan Storie's new Modern Pentathlon world record in the the Swimming event (50m pool).

Storie (USA) swam the 200m in 1:53.72min, a performance that took more than one second of the previous record (1:54.25min) held by Britain's James Cooke.



LOGAN STORIE (USA) BROKE THE 50M SWIMMING WORLD RECORD DURING THE UIPM 2015 WORLD CUP #1

## UIPM 2014 World School Biathlon Rankings



The UIPM World Rankings for the World School Biathlon is released. At pentathlon.org, you can find the ranking and all the statistics of the 2014 season.

The increasing popularity of this competition at schools is demonstrated









by the number of 4,168 young athletes from eight countries competing during the last season. The competition has been also challenging for the young athletes.

Certificates awarding the Top 3 will be sent in digital version to the respective NFs of awarded athletes. They will be available within April latest.

### Viacheslav Aminov caught up with Thomas Bach

During the 80th birthday celebration of IOC Member Vitaly Smirnov in Moscow, two of the guests who attended were the UIPM Vice-President Viacheslav Aminov and the IOC President Dr. Thomas Bach. Mr. Aminov had the opportunity to talk to the IOC President about the evolution of Modern Pentathlon and future innovations.

## 2015 World Coaches Conference: Registration is open

Registration for the 2015 World Modern Pentathlon Coaches Conference is now open. The conference takes place from 6-8 November 2015 in Manchester, England, and many renowned speakers are expected to attend this final gathering before Rio 2016.

Complete the form at www.wmpcc. org to register your interest and you will receive updates and a formal registration form in due course.

## Para-Pentathlon Working group meeting

On the last weekend of January 2015, the Para-Pentathlon Working Group met for the first time in order to brainstorm about future initiatives, plans and challenges facing the world of para-sports and specifically UIPM.

For the first time in the history of Modern Pentathlon this initiative offered a chance for those involved to represent UIPM in a working group scenario to map out the future development of full para-pentathlon.

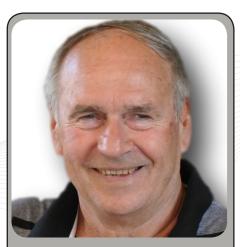
Mr Benny Elmann-Larsen, Mr Paolo Borrione and Mr Camillo Franchi Scarselli met with project coordinator Luca Baracchi in Rome to discuss the possibility of setting up a first demo-testing event during one of our World Cup stages and launching other initiatives related to para-pentathlon that will introduce the UIPM community to the possibilities in this area.

A presentation was shared and several scenarios were debated by the diverse group of experts around the table.

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann praised the group for their initiative and invited all members to devise as soon as possible an action plan. A follow-up meeting to officially communicate the progress of the PWG will be chaired by President Schormann and Secretary General Shiny Fang in the near future. Next meeting will take place on 12th April in Rome.



UIPM VICE-PRESIDENT VIACHESLAV AMINOV MET WITH THE IOC PRESIDENT THOMAS BACH



Tributes to Helmut Gruber

Obst i.R. Helmut Gruber died unexpectedly on February 2nd 2015 at the age of 72. During his active service Mr Gruber was an officer in the Austrian Army who also served as a sports officer at the Theresa Military Academy.

In 1978, he was elected Vice President of the Austrian Modern Pentathlon Association and was responsible for the affairs of the sport. Under his leadership, Austrian athletes qualified for the Olympic Games in Moscow in 1980, Los Angeles in 1984 and Seoul in 1988. His sporting highlight was the organization of the Women's World Championships in 1989 in Wiener Neustadt, which gained global recognition. In 1980, Mr Gruber was elected to the Technical Commission of the UIPM and served until 1996, mainly as an expert in the swimming competition. In 1990, he was elected as Chairman of the PTC Modern Pentathlon in CISM and played an active role in the organization of the annual Military World Championships over a period of eight years.

Even after his resignation as Vice President of the Austrian Pentathlon Association in 2000, he retained a deep connection to the sport and the governing body. Through his years of sporting experience, Helmut Gruber supported his sport with words and deeds until the end. Helmut Gruber leaves a big hole in the Austrian pentathlon movement. UIPM has lost a friend, an expert and a person with passion for the worldwide development of Modern Pentathlon.









## **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 the National Federations Portal or to http://www.pentathlon.org/competitions/invitations to stay up to date with all tournament news.



#### **Competition Invitations**

World Cup #3 Rome, ITA 8-14 April 2015

World Cup #4 Kecskemét, HUN 28 April - 4 May 2015



#### **Tournament and Training Camps**

18th Swiss Women International Competition

Bern, Switzerland 21 March 2015

#### 1ª Copa Iberoamericana de Pentatión Moderno

Amposta, Tarragona, Spain **28-29 March 2015** 

**European Cup Youth A Modern Pentathlon** Drzonków, Poland

21-25 May 2015

Milan Kadlec Memorial Competition 2015
(Junior)

Prague, Czech Republic 11-12 April 2015

International NRW Championships (Masters Pentathlon/Tetrathlon Competition)
Neuss, Germany

15-17 May 2015

## 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**)









# Inside UIPM: Monthly activities of President Dr Schormann

#### 7 FEB 2015 - DARMSTADT, GERMANY

UIPM President Dr. Klaus Schormann met in his office in Darmstadt with Philipp Waeffler and they discussed ways in which the UIPM Sport Department can offer enhanced support to the organizers of UIPM competitions.

Dr Schormann briefed Mr Waeffler about the duties and responsibilities he will have to fulfil from 1st July 2015 as a member of the UIPM staff. They discussed deeply the development of Modern Pentathlon within the FISU movement, a project Mr Waeffler has been working on for several months.

#### 9 FEB 2015 - BERLIN, GERMANY

Ahead of the 2015 World Championship a working session took place in Berlin's Olympic Park offices between UIPM President Dr. Klaus Schormann, Barbara Kauka (President of the Berlin MP Association), Robert Trapp (Director of the World Championship), Lutz Imhoff (Olympic Park Director) and Pagona Chronopoulos (Executive Assistant to the UIPM President). The main points of discussion were facilities, accommodation, transportation and general logistics and media. The next meeting was fixed for 11/12 March 2015 in Berlin.

#### 12-15 FEB 2015 - NEW YORK, USA

UIPM President Dr. Klaus Schormann and Secretary General Shiny Fang visited the 2015 NBA All-Star basketball game in Madison Square Garden, where they met with Horacio Muratore, President of FIBA (Federation of International Basketball Associations), former President Yvan Mainini and Secretary General Patrick Baumann (also an IOC Member).

During their stay in New York they discussed the preparation of the Rio 2016 Olympic Games linked to the facilities that UIPM and FIBA will share in Deodoro. Rob Stull, CEO of USA Pentathlon, joined President Dr. Schormann in New York, where they discussed the Organisation of World Cup #1 in Sarasota and actions of the members of the UIPM Business Affairs Committee.



(LEFT-RIGHT): YVAN MAININI (FORMER FIBA PRESIDENT) WITH HIS WIFE, HORACIO MURATORE (CURRENT FIBA PRESIDENT) WITH HIS WIFE AND DR. KLAUS SCHORMANN (UIPM PRESIDENT)

#### 16-23 FEB 2015 - SARASOTA-BRADENTON, USA

During World Cup #1 in Sarasota, Florida, UIPM President Dr. Klaus Schormann welcomed IOC Athletes Commission Chairwoman and IOC EB Member Claudia Bokel and IOC Member Patrick Baumann as special guests. Also Ms. Bokel took part in the UIPM athletes meeting in Sarasota, while IOC Sports Director Kit McConnell attended the event and was briefed directly about the new format of Modern Pentathlon. UIPM SG Shiny Fang talked him through the new Fencing Bonus Round and other matters concerning preparation of the Rio 2016 Olympic Games.



DR. SCHORMANN AND THE UIPM FAMILY TOGETHER WITH THE IOC SPORTS DIRECTOR KIT MCCONNELL DURING THE UIPM 2015 WORLD CUP #1

#### 25-26 FEB 2015 - LONDON, GBR

UIPM President Dr. Klaus Schormann met Anthony Temple, President of Modern Pentathlon Association Great Britain (MPAGB), and Martin Dawe, UIPM Member of Marketing, to discuss strategic matters within the UIPM movement, new competitions such as Beach Games, Urban Games and the Laser/Run World Championships, and the upcoming European Championships.









### New Balance World Rankings.

The PWR is updated live on www.pentathlon.org after each competition. PWR as at 1st March 2015:

#### Women





Men

1	CHN	Qian CHEN	205
2	LTU	Laura ASADAUSKAITE	198
3	POL	Oktawia NOWACKA	195
4	GER	Lena SCHONEBORN	189
5	GBR	Samantha MURRAY	180
6	USA	Margaux ISAKSEN	167
7	CHN	Wanxia LIANG	165
8	GBR	Kate FRENCH	161
9	RUS	Donata RIMSAITE	161
10	HUN	Sarolta KOVACS	156
11	BRA	Yane MARQUES	146
12	RUS	Ekaterina KHURASKINA	144
13	CAN	Melanie MCCANN	140
14	LTU	Karolina GUZAUSKAITE	133
15	UKR	Victoria TERESHUK	131
16	ITA	Claudia CESARINI	129
17	CHN	Xiaonan ZHANG	127
18	UKR	Iryna KHOKHLOVA	125
19	MEX	Tamara VEGA	121
20	FRA	Elodie CLOUVEL	119

1	RUS	Aleksander LESUN	220
2	RUS	Ilia FROLOV	185
3	ITA	Riccardo DE LUCA	178
4	UKR	Pavlo TYMOSHCHENKO	176
5	EGY	Amro EL GEZIRY	175
6	HUN	Robert KASZA	172
7	CZE	Jan KUF	167
8	FRA	Christopher PATTE	167
9	FRA	Valentin PRADES	155
10	FRA	Valentin BELAUD	151
11	LTU	Justinas KINDERIS	150
12	HUN	Bence DEMETER	146
13	CHN	Jianli GUO	139
14	KOR	Woo Jin LEE	123
15	GUA	Charles FERNANDEZ	123
16	MEX	Ismael HERNANDEZ USCANGA	123
17	ITA	Nicola BENEDETTI	122
18	HUN	Adam MAROSI	121
19	AUT	Thomas DANIEL	120
20	KAZ	Pavel ILYASHENKO	119

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

"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 and founder of modern pentathlon











### Calendar UIPM Competitions

#### March

World Cup #2 Cairo, Egypt 19-23 March 2015

#### **April**

World Cup #3 Rome, ITA 8-14 April 2015

World Cup #4 Kecskemét, HUN 28 April - 4 May 2015

#### **Other International Competitions**

#### March

Youth A & B International Solihull, Great Britain 13-15 March 2015

Swiss Women International Bern, Switzerland **21 March 2015** 

#### **April**

Open Regional Championships (Tetrathlon)
Emmen, Netherlands
11 April 2015

**21st International Competition Vila de Sant Boi** Sant Boi de Llobregat, Spain **24-26 April 2015** 

## 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 in the Olympic Games

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