UIPM 2016 WORLD CUP #1

Sizzling start to the season

A FANTASTIC HOME WIN FOR AMRO EL GEZIRY LIT UP THE BEGINNING OF THE UIPM 2016 WORLD CUP SERIES
The Egyptian capital of Cairo staged a successful major event when the world’s finest pentathletes descended on the city to compete for honours and for the first World Cup title of the season.

**Women’s Individual: Schoeneborn shines in the sun**

Lena Schoeneborn (GER) set the standard as the first gold medallist of the 2016 elite season by winning the Women’s Individual event at UIPM World Cup #1.

Schoeneborn, the reigning World Champion, led a German 1-2 as she took the title ahead of compatriot Annika Schleu. Elodie Clouvel (FRA) completed an all-European podium as she finished 3rd, with Zsofia Foldhazi (HUN) 4th, Margaux Isaksen (USA) 5th and Natsumi Tomonaga (JPN) 6th. Schoeneborn (GER) said after receiving her gold medal: “I am relieved that I managed through the day because it did not start well. The technique did not work and I was really frustrated after the Swim.

“But as I always do in Pentathlon I stayed focused on the next discipline and Fencing went well, and Riding was OK. I was glad it all worked out. My shooting wasn’t very good, I think, but it still was enough. It was good to collect some points and I hope I can keep going.

“Internally, this season is important – I have to be better than the others and keep collecting points. After the third World Cup I will see. Maybe do an extra training camp, and then hopefully I can focus on August.”

Schleu (GER) said after receiving her silver medal: “It was really important for me to have a good competition here. We already have two girls qualified and I have to get a lot of points to beat Janine... so this was so good.

“Everything is about my fencing, and that works again so I am just happy.”

A captivating day of action between 36 of the world’s top
elite and emerging pentathletes began with Clouvel (FRA) topping the standings after the opening Swimming discipline. She timed 2:10.74 ahead of Foldhazí (HUN) in 2nd and Alice Sotero (ITA) 3rd.

After languishing in the pool, it was on the Fencing piste that the World Champion began to take a hold of proceedings. Schoeneborn (GER) enjoyed a 27-8 record in the Ranking Round to nearly break the world record she set at the 2015 UIPM World Championships in Berlin and march to the top of the overall standings with 264 points.

On horseback the leader found herself under renewed pressure from Clouvel (FRA), whose clear Riding round allowed her to get within three points of Schoeneborn (GER) in the overall standings. Nineteen athletes enjoyed clear Riding rounds with Iryna Khokhlova (ARG) emerging with the top score.

The tension was palpable as the athletes lined up for the Combined Event with the top five separated by only 12 seconds. But Schoeneborn called on all of her composure and experience to make sure nobody was able to catch her.

UIPM 1st Vice-President Ivar Sisneiga said afterwards: “We are very happy with the way the competition was organised. These are beautiful venues. I spoke with many of the athletes and they are very happy with the conditions they have here.

Particularly the horses were very good – there were many clean rounds so that speaks of the high quality of the horses – and it was a very interesting competition.

“What we have seen here is all those athletes that have not qualified for the Olympic Games are fighting for their lives, they are going with everything. So even though it’s the first World Cup of the season they are truly prepared.

“A lot of the athletes I have seen are very fit, in very good condition, so this is making for a very interesting competition. We saw a tremendous fight in the Combined Event, because every place could mean that they are in the Olympic Games or they are not. It was nice to see that intensity, and it was just a very good event for UIPM and all the athletes.”

Men’s Individual: El Geziry is home hero

A stunning home victory by Amro El Geziry (EGY) provided a dream come true for organis-
ers and spectators on the pen-
ultimate day of UIPM World Cup
#1.

Cairo has become one of Mod-
ern Pentathlon’s most impor-
tant venues and El Geziry, World
No.5, one of the sport’s most
consistent performers. His vic-
tory in the Men’s Individual Final
met with roars of approval from
a large and supportive crowd in
the Egyptian capital.

El Geziry (EGY) had never won
a World Cup event before and
even though he has enjoyed
some very good results at this
level in the past, his win was a
source of some surprise as well
as delight. In the past two years
when Cairo hosted a World Cup,
the local favourite finished 14th
and 22nd.

El Geziry (EGY) was never go-
ing to be denied and he pre-
vailed with an extremely pol-
ished performance from start
to finish. All of the drama took
place behind the leader, where
Adam Marosi (HUN) and Val-
entin Belaud (FRA) crossed the
line together in pursuit of silver
with the Hungarian doing just
enough to consign his French
rival to bronze.

There was nothing that could
wipe the smile off the face of El
Geziry as he accepted his gold
medal to huge cheers.

He said: “I am so happy, no
words could describe it. It’s my
first gold medal and it has hap-
pened in my home country. You
can see the crowd … I’m just so
happy.

“After my last shoot, when I only
missed one, I thought ‘that’s it’
because I knew nobody could
make that time up on me. I was
really confident that I would be
OK.

“Everybody was cheering, and it
was amazing. It was one of the
best moments of my life.”
Marosi (HUN) was still strug-
gling for breath when he gave
an interview in the minutes fol-
lowing his titanic battle with
Belaud (FRA).

He said: “It was a very hard day,
mainly during the Fencing when
I was terrible until the last eight
bouts, but then I won seven and
only lost one and I think that
was the key.

“I’m so happy because it is a
long time since I was on the po-
dium. The season is very, very
long and I need more points for
qualification for the Olympic
Games - it’s not enough that I
am the leading Hungarian ath-
lete.”

Jun Woongtae (KOR) was as
consistent as ever as he fin-
ished in 4th place, with Pier-
paolo Petroni (ITA) and Valen-
tin Prades (FRA) completing

PODIUM OF THE MEN’S INDIVIDUAL EVENT

AMRO EL GEZIRY DURING THE COMBINED EVENT THAT CROWNED HIM AS THE 2016 WORLD CUP #1 WINNER
the top six. The winner’s elder brother Omar El Geziry finished in 11th, one place lower than his result at the Cairo World Cup last year.

But this was destined to be Amro’s day. He started as he meant to continue, taking a big lead in the Swimming with a fantastic time of 1:55.89. Only one other competitor dunked under two minutes: Hwang Woojin (KOR), who timed 1:59.26 with Michal Gralewski (POL) third in 2:00.37. The leader continued his excellent form on the piste, enjoying 24 victories in his 35 bouts, a tally matched only by Petroni (ITA), who went on to win the Bonus Round.

El Geziry (EGY) was greeted by a large and noisy crowd in the Riding arena, and he did not let them down as one of the 21 riders who enjoyed a clean round. Thomas Toolis (GBR) and Patrick Dogue (GER) emerged from the sand with the highest Riding scores, but there was no disguising the identity of the man to catch heading into the Combined Event.

El Geziry (EGY) set off in the Run/Shoot with a huge time advantage of 34 seconds from 2nd-place Jun (KOR), and the cushion allowed him to keep control of any nerves and make sure nobody got close to him. Dr Klaus Schormann, President of UIPM, said: “I think this was the best possible result for the Egyptian organisers, for the Federation President Sharif Elerian and his team. Many times Amro El Geziry was in the leading position in competitions in the last year, and in the end other people have been on the podium. This time, the distance was enough for him and he had a good run and shoot, and everything was perfect. “The media attention from this World Cup here in the Arabic world will be much greater with such a winner.”

Mixed Relay: Glory for Italy

Italy claimed the first Mixed Relay gold medal of the 2016 UIPM World Cup series after an outstanding performance by Lavinia Bonessio and Auro Franceschini.

The Italians were in front with an unassailable lead for much of the day, and Mexico (Tamara Vega & Jorge Camacho) battled all the way to the line to secure silver ahead of bronze medallists Kazakhstan (Elena Potapenko & Vladislav Sukharev).

As the sun set on a terrific start to the elite Modern Pentathlon season in Cairo, Lavinia Bonessio (ITA) said after receiving her gold medal: “We are very happy with the competition today. All the way through qualifying our Fencing was bad but today we won the Fencing, which was a fantastic result and it allowed us to get the gold medal.”
Tamara Vega (MEX) added: “I am so happy and I think I can speak for Jorge and me and all of the team because Mexico now has a great team with lots of young athletes with a lot of talent.

“That speaks of the hard work that we have all put in, and I hope in Rio de Janeiro at the Olympic Games we can repeat this achievement.”

Bonesio & Franceschini (ITA) were particularly hard to beat on the Fencing piste as they marched through the Ranking Round with a superb record of 25-7. Italy also won the Bonus Round, as Bonessio held off Vega (MEX) in a tiebreaker.

In the pool, Kazakhstan was fastest with the only sub-two-minute time, but Italy was ranked second and as the teams headed to the Riding arena it was clear that Bonesio & Franceschini (ITA) were going to be hard to catch.

On horseback, only two teams managed clean rounds: Argentina (Ayelen Zapata & Leandro Silva) and Egypt (Reem Yakout & Sherif Nazeir), with Kazakhstan incurring only one penalty point which allowed them to go into the Combined Event in second place.

With Italy so far ahead, Bonesio & Franceschini were relaxed and efficient at the Shooting range and the real drama surrounded the battle for silver. Vega & Camacho (MEX) showed a lot of determination and composure to overtake Potapenko & Sukharev (KAZ) and consign them to bronze. Guatemala (Isabel Brand & Jorge Imeri) finished 4th, Argentina 5th and host nation Egypt 6th.

Sharif Elerian, President of the Egyptian MP Federation, said after the Medal Ceremony: “I feel very glad that UIPM has given us the honour of hosting a World Cup again and I think it was a wonderful World Cup.

“It was especially wonderful for us to at last have one of our own athletes, Amro El Geziry, on top of the podium and to hear our national anthem.

“You could see that the crowd were very happy to experience this and I thought it was a wonderful World Cup. The weather was perfect, the horses were very good, there was no trauma in anything and it was an exciting event so I am very happy.”

The series resumes with World Cup 2 in Rio de Janeiro (March 7-13), which will double as an official Test Event for the 2016 Olympic Games.
UIPM advanced the credentials of Modern Pentathlon as a potential Paralympic sport as Cairo hosted the second official Para-Pentathlon Test Event, which doubled as Egypt’s first Para-Pentathlon National Competition.

A 14-strong local team took part in Swimming and Fencing after three months of intensive training.

There was one female and two male categories and the winners - Ashrakat Yehia, Mohamed Rami and Hady Ahmed Yousef - and other medalists were awarded their prizes at the official World Cup awards ceremony.

Sharif Elerian said: “We are very happy to be the second nation to host a Para-Pentathlon Test Event.

“We formed the team straight after the first test in Argentina in September last year. Our national team consists of 10 girls and four boys and we are working to prepare more disabled athletes in Egypt to participate in Para-Pentathlon.

“I am very happy that we could host together with the World Cup the first ever national competition of Para-Pentathlon.”

UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann added: “The Para-Pentathlon competition is very important for us and today we made was another big step after the first event in Argentina. “I am so thankful to my UIPM staff and the organisers of this event for what they have achieved with this group. Looking at the faces of the parents and the competitors, I think they were very happy and proud and I think we are going about this the right way.”

THE PARA-PENTATHLETES HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO COMPETE IN THE FANTASTIC VENUES IN CAIRO
UIPM Secretary General, Shiny Fang, said: “This impressive platform adds a new dimension to our online video coverage. By embracing digital technology, we hope to reach a wide audience and increase awareness of our sport.”

UIPM President, Dr Klaus Schormann, said: “With the launch of UIPM TV we have proved once again that Modern Pentathlon is becoming accessible to every corner of the world and moving with the times.

“It is very important that we now have a dedicated home for live coverage of our sport, as well as a social media hub where fans can follow the activities of our wonderful athletes all in one place.

“The launch of UIPM TV is a real gesture of intent as Modern Pentathlon prepares for a busy Olympic year.”

The multi-channel responsive video portal is designed and driven using components of the Digotel Live+ video platform to deliver both live and on-demand content. It includes an individual channel for a series of UIPM disciplines, allowing fans to access a variety of event coverage. The portal also features a social media hub, which aggregates information from the International and National Federations and athletes across multiple social networks.

Dmytro Kirpulyanskyy, chairman of the UIPM Athletes Committee, said: “The introduction of UIPM TV with its Social Hub is a big step forward for our sport. The most important thing is that the project has been implemented this season before the Olympic Games.

“Now all Modern Pentathlon fans have a great opportunity to be much closer to their favorite athletes.”

UIPM’s digital ecosystem now consists of a central website (www.pentathlon.org), a dedicated digital TV channel (www.uipmtv.org), a Facebook page (www.facebook.com/TheUIPM) and a Twitter presence (https://twitter.com/TheUIPM).
UIPM visits underprivileged area in Cairo

The International Modern Pentathlon Union (UIPM) made a special trip to an underprivileged area of the Egyptian capital, Cairo, during the first round of the 2016 World Cup series.

On the back of a donation of sports equipment to 100 children in the Manshiet Nasser area, UIPM President Klaus Schormann, Vice-President Ivar Sisniega and Secretary General Shiny Fang distributed soccer and running shoes, socks and T-shirts in person during their visit, which was organised by Egypt’s Association for the Protection of the Environment (APE) in conjunction with the Egyptian Modern Pentathlon Federation (EFMP).

A small soccer pitch was set up and the Egyptian Ministry for Sport said it would provide lighting so that the venue could be used after dark. UIPM also said it would return to the area during the Junior World Championships in September after expressing solidarity with APE, which aims to empower women, protect children, improve health in poor areas and facilitate recycling and community upgrading. The EFMP thanked UIPM for its gesture and Sharif Elerian, EFMP President said: “Sport teaches discipline, commitment, fair play and joy of effort. Our world today needs all our help in showing the youth the importance of sport in everyone’s life rich and poor alike.”

Afghanistan’s exciting progress

The development programmes run by UIPM world-wide are well-known and Afghanistan is a testament to how much can be achieved in a relatively short space of time with focused work.

An athlete presentation day in Kabul emphasised the progress the Afghanistan Pentathlon Federation (APF) has made in the development of male and female athletes. The APF has also held two recent seminars in the capital city which resulted in TV coverage on multiple channels.

The seminar in the Kabul Paris Hall on January 11 was attended by 138 delegates including leading Afghan pentathletes, coaches and administrators, National Olympic Committee chiefs, officials from other sporting governing bodies, leading businessmen and public officials including representatives from the Vice-President’s office.

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fencing, shooting, show jumping, cross-country skiing and giant slalom.

All athletes from the nine participating nations (Panama, Finland, Netherlands, UK, Estonia, Italy, Austria, Germany and the host nation Switzerland) were extremely impressed by the venue.

Davos, which has a strong transport network and high-quality accommodation, is renowned for its hospitality and the city gave a warm welcome. The Local Organizing Committee’s perfect organization included the participation of a wide range of community representatives.

Mr Markus Hostetler was host of the LOC, which benefited from the full support of Mrs Jaqueline Schneider and Mr Max Hänni. The Masters Committee and all athletes would like to thank them on behalf of the wider Masters movement under the banner of UIPM.

For Masters Winter training the city of Davos is not only a famous winter sports resort and meeting point of the world economy, but also a city well-equipped for staging sport.

**Biathe/Triathle World Tour dates set**

You can start to put your plans in place for the 2016 Biathe/Triathle
season. The first stage of the World Tour, in June, will see Austria hosting another Biathle/Triathle competition. Dates for Argentina and India will be announced when talks with LOCs have concluded.

The confirmed stages for 2016 are: Graz, Austria (3-5 June); Havana, Cuba (8-10 July); Hurghada, Egypt (7-9 October); Goa, India (date tbc); Mar del Plata, Argentina (date tbc). Invitation letters will be published at the National Federations Portal on pentathlon.org when all aspects of the competition are determined.

Laura Asadauskaite is the Lithuanian Athlete of the year

The London 2012 Olympic modern pentathlon champion Laura Asadauskaite and International Cycling Union (UCI) World Road Race Championships bronze medallist Ramūnas Navardauskas have scooped the top prizes at the Lithuanian Athletes Awards 2015.

Tribute to Toni Kulcsar

Toni Kulcsar, who was a coach to one Olympic and four world champions and spearheaded the Hungarian national women’s team for 12 years, died on December 24 at the age of 65.

Kulcsar was head coach at the Alba Volan club from 1983 until his retirement in 2008, after which he worked in a new club for youths. His greatest success came when the Alba Volan athlete Zsuzsanna Voros won Olympic gold in Athens in 2004.

Voros also won three individual world titles (1999, 2003, 2004) and her clubmate Viktor Horvath was the men’s world champion in Berlin in 2007.

Few coaches can claim to have achieved so much success at the top of our sport, and Toni Kulcsar’s legacy continues to be felt with strong performances from Hungarian athletes at all levels.

Emmanuel Zapata, Leandro Silva, Franco Cortés and Ali Villamayor will compete in the men’s individual event while Ayelén Zapata, Pamela Zapata, Iryna Khokhlova and Micaela Rodríguez line up in the women’s individual competition.
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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 to stay up to date with all tournament news.

Competition Invitations

UIPM 2016 World Cup 3
Rome, ITA
31 March - 04 April 2016

UIPM 2016 World Cup 4
Kecskemét, HUN
14-18 April 2016

Medical and Anti-Doping Corner

WADA PUBLISHES 2016 PROHIBITED LIST

On 16 September, the World Anti-Doping Agency’s Executive Committee approved the 2016 List of Prohibited Substances and Methods, which is now available on WADA’s website in English. The List will come into force on 1 January 2016.

Updated annually, the List is one of five International Standards that are mandatory for all signatories of the World Anti-Doping Code (Code). It designates what substances and methods are prohibited in- and out-of-competition; and, which substances are banned in particular sports. According to the Code, if a substance or method is found to meet two of three criteria (enhances performance, poses a threat to athlete health, violates the spirit of sport), then it could be considered for placement on the List.

The List’s annual revision process is led by WADA and involves extensive consultation, which begins with a draft being circulated for comment amongst stakeholders. The comments are considered by WADA’s List Expert Group, which then presents its conclusions to WADA’s Health, Medical and Research Committee (HMRC). Once this process is concluded, the HMRC makes recommendations to WADA’s Executive Committee, which are discussed before making a final decision during its September 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

08 JAN 2016 DARMSTADT, GERMANY

UIPM President Dr. Klaus Schormann met in his Presidents Office in Darmstadt with UIPM Member for Marketing Martin Dawe, Marketing & Media Manager Roque Teixeira, Promotion Manager Leandro Pontes and Executive Assistant to the President Pagona Sonndag to discuss important steps for promotion, publications and marketing projects for 2016.

12 JAN 2016 BERLIN, GERMANY

During his visit to the Modern Pentathlon Centre of Berlin, the UIPM President met with German regional federation presidents Barbara Kauka (Berlin), Ralf Marschall (Brandenburg), Olaf Kleidon (Bavaria), Michael Scharf (Nordrhein Westfalen Vice-President) and the German Federation (DVMF) Treasurer Sebastian Dietz to discuss matter of sporting politics and development projects for Modern Pentathlon in Germany. He visited the office of the architects Stev Bringmann and Johannes Wille, of 3dtex GmbH, who constructed the roof for the Bonus Fencing piste for the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro.

18 JAN 2016 - FRANKFURT AM MAIN, GERMANY

At the New Year celebration of the German Olympic Sport Confederation (DOSB) in Frankfurt am Main, Dr Schormann met with leaders of various German national federations and with DOSB President Alfons Hoermann to focus on the Olympic sporting year ahead.

21 JAN 2016 - BASEL,

SWITZERLAND

Dr Schormann met TV agency representatives Thomas Ruf and Pierre Portmann to discuss future possibilities for UIPM in the TV market linked to international competitions in Biathle, Triathle, Tetathlon, Laser-Run and Modern Pentathlon, which are now run on all five continents on a yearly basis.

25-29 JAN 2016 - RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL

The UIPM delegation of UIPM President Dr Klaus Schormann, Treasurer John Helmick and Secretary General Shiny Fang met with the Modern Pentathlon Department for the Rio de Janeiro 2016 Summer Olympic Games to discuss the preparations for the Olympic Test Event during World Cup #2 in Rio and issues such as transportation, accommodation, accreditation, scheduling and presentation of Modern Pentathlon, ticketing, venue hospitality, horses and many more.

The Competition Manager Celso Silva and his team inspected with the UIPM delegation all facilities in Deodoro, where also Brazilian MP Federation (CBPM) President Helio Meirelles Cardoso was also present.
02 FEB 2016 - DARMSTADT, GERMANY

In the UIPM President’s Office Alain Lunzenfichter - Member of the UIPM Pierre de Coubertin Commission - discussed with Dr Schormann the international presentation and promotion of Modern Pentathlon before and during the 2016 Summer Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro. Through very special print documents the international media will learn about the history and future of Modern Pentathlon: 1912-2016-future!

05 FEB 2016 - BUDAPEST, HUNGARY

UIPM President Dr. Klaus Schormann met with members of the Bid Office Budapest 2024 to brief them on the Modern Pentathlon’s presentation plans for future Olympic Games based on the evolution of a one-stadium format, which will be used for the 2020 Olympic Games in Tokyo.

Attila Mizser, who won individual gold at the 1985 World Championships, team gold at the 1988 Olympics and individual silver at the 1992 Olympics, presented the plans as coordinator for Modern Pentathlon for Budapest 2024.

Bea Simoka, Vice President of the Hungary Modern Pentathlon Association, discussed with the UIPM President preparations for the 2016 UIPM World Cup #4 in Kecskemet in April. The main topics covered were TV and promotional activities from a national and international viewpoint.

Dr Schormann took part in a very special reception for the 90th birthday of Benedek Ferenc, Hungary’s long-time national trainer, arranged by the HMPA. Many former world champions, Olympic champions and medalists were present including Ferenc’s brother Gabor (89) and Istvan Szondy (90), all of whom won medals at the 1952 Olympics, and UIPM Honorary Member Gyula Bretz.

In his speech, the UIPM President paid tribute to Benedek Ferenc for his international engagement and his excellent Modern Pentathlon exhibitions at many World Championships and World Cups.

Dr Schormann also paid tribute to one of the great icons of Hungarian sport as he greeted the legendary Andras Balczó, who won individual Olympic silver in 1968, individual gold in 1972, team gold in 1960 and 1968 and team silver in 1972.
The UIPM President met with IOC Executive Board Member Sergey Bubka (also President of the Ukraine Olympic Committee) at the Men’s Biathlon Sprint Event in Birkebeineren Stadium during the 2016 Youth Olympic Games.

**16 FEB 2016 - LILLEHAMMER, NORWAY**

IOC Member Gerhard Heiberg was keynote speaker at a Symposium organized by Prof Dr Holger Preuss of the University of Mainz in the Lillehammer University College.

UIPM President Dr Schormann gave a welcome speech to more than 100 participants from many Universities of the world in which he underlined the long partnership between sport and the academic world.

**17 FEB 2016 - LILLEHAMMER, NORWAY**

The UIPM President visited during his stay at the Youth Winter Olympic Games in Lillehammer the Centre for Education and Culture, which does important work in helping young athletes to learn about modern communication and information systems, to learn about different cultures, history, the actions of the International Olympic Academy (IOA) located in Olympia and the Olympic Values, as well as meetings with role models.

**19 FEB 2016 - DARMSTADT, GERMANY**

President Dr Schormann met Mr Janis Liepins, President of the Latvian Modern Pentathlon Federation, in his UIPM President’s Office to talk about athletes, the development of Modern Pentathlon in Latvia as well as different projects including the Baltic Cup.
The PWR is updated live on www.pentathlon.org after each competition. PWR as at 1 March 2016:

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Calendar UIPM Competitions

MARCH / APRIL

UIPM 2016 World Cup 3
Rome, ITA
30 March - 4 April 2016

UIPM 2016 World Cup 4
Kecskemét, HUN
14 - 18 April 2016

Other International Competitions

March

GBR Youth International
Solihull, GBR
05 March 2016

19th Swiss Women International Competition
Bern, SUI
19 March 2016

April / May

Youth A European’s Cup
Barcelona, ESP
15-17 April 2016

Czech Open Youth A Championships
Prague, CZE
27-29 May 2016

MODERN PENTATHLON | Key-Milestones

“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

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 1st Youth Olympic Games
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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