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International University Open
Modern Pentathlon goes to University...
The capital city of the state of Morelos, Cuernavaca, has welcomed 32 athletes representing 6 countries and from 20 higher education institutions at the International University Open, the first Modern Pentathlon event affiliated to FISU.

The event, organised under the supervision of the UIPM (Union Internationale de Pentathlon Moderne), in partnership with the Mexican Modern Pentathlon Federation and CONDDE, the Mexican University Sports Federation, was a test event for a sport which joined FISU in May 2014 and will host its first World University Championship in 2018.

The men’s competition started after the customary opening ceremony, attended by local city and university authorities.

Athletes first took to the swimming heats and soon after to the fencing pistes, complemented by the bonus round.

The morning disciplines effectively set them up for the run and shoot combined event that took place in an urban setting in midtown Cuernavaca.

Local student-athlete Andres Garza (Escuela Nacional de Entrenadores Deportivos, MEX) beat off the competition after a thrilling final, having started the combined event in 11th place. Compatriots Diego Arriaga (Universidad Anáhuac, MEX) and Jhonnatan Ortega (Universidad del Valle del Mexico) were 2nd and 3rd respectively.

The winner, Andres Garza, men-
tioned how honoured he was to have won the event because it was at home but also because it was the first university edition.

On day two, Katia Martinez (Universidad del Valle de Mexico, MEX) claimed the host nation’s second gold by winning the Women’s Individual Competition, beating her fellow countrywoman Mariana Arceo (Centro Iberoamericano de Ciencias del Deporte, MEX).

In third place was Eliani Cámara (Instituto Superior de Cultura Física Manuel Fajardo, CUB) who overcame the Monet Moreau (University of the Incarnate Word, USA) in the final stages of the combined run/shoot.

Katia Martinez stated how happy she was to win this inaugural university event and how her coaches had seen this as an important preparation event for the World Junior Championships also taking place in Mexico.

The Mixed Relay competition closed the programme of the International University Open with a spectacular performance of the home team composed of Kelly Mendonza and Andres Garza.

The duo completed a stunning victory after starting the Combined Event in fourth place. Canadians Beatrice Cigagna and Garnett Stevens finished second, followed by Eliani Cámara and Jose Figueroa from Cuba.
After an exciting day of competition, Brazilian Yane Marques was crowned champion of the Pan American Games in Toronto in front of a sold out crowd of 1,000 spectators, making her the first two time gold medalist in Modern Pentathlon.

In the women’s event on Saturday July 18, Yane Marques led from the very first event with a world best score of 277 points with 18 victories out of 21 bouts and 2 additional points from her victory in the bonus round. She was followed by Sophia Hernandez from Guatemala and Tamara Vega of Mexico with 259 and 252 points respectively.

In the swimming event held in the magnificent Pan American Aquatic Center, Yane Marques also posted the best swim time with 2.12.18. Margaux Isaksen was second with 2.15.54 and Javiera Rosas from Chile was third with a personal best of 2.16.46.

The athletes then moved outside to the riding arena where the horses proved to be up to the expectations of the competition. The top 3 athletes had clean rounds with the first going to Ayelen Zapata from Argentina scoring a perfect 300. She was followed by local favorite, Melanie McCann of Canada, with 299 points and third place went to Loreto Gajardo of Chile with 297 points.

The combined shoot-run event started off as what seemed to be an easy win for Yane Marques. However Tamara Vega of Mexico made it exciting by almost overcoming a 36 second deficit and finishing only 1 second behind Yane.

Yane Marques scored 1348 points to Tamara Vega’s 1347. Mayan Oliver, also of Mexico, moved all the way up from 9th to the third spot on the podium with the second fastest combined event of the day and running by the two Canadians in the final 200 meters of the event. Donna Vakalis of Canada, had the fastest combined score and moved up to 4th earning her the Olympic qualifying spot for Canada. The other 2 Olympic qualifiers, aside from Marques, Vega and Vakalis were Isabel Brand from Guatemala and Laura Leydi Moya of Cuba.

UIPM President Dr. Klaus Schormann and Secretary General Shiny Fang were present at the event and praised the excellent conditions provided by the Toronto 2015 Organizing Committee and the Canadian Modern Pentathlon Association.

Charles Fernandez of Guatemala crowned as the youngest Modern Pentathlon champion in the Pan American Games

Charles Fernandez, at only 19 years of age capped off a perfect day by holding off a strong challenge by
Ismael Hernández in the final lap of the combined event. The Guatemalan led the competition all day and it was only until Ismael overtook him with 400 meters to go in the final lap of the combined event, that he rose to the challenge and sprinted past Ismael to reaffirm that he was destined to become the youngest Pan American Games champion.

Charles Fernandez total score was 1444 points and Ismael Hernández was only five seconds behind with 1439 points. Nathan Schrimsher of the USA joined them on the podium as he held off several challenges to finish third with 1421 points. The other two Olympic qualification spots were won by José Figueroa of Cuba who moved up to 4th by winning the combined event with a time of 11.46.19 and Emmanuel Zapata of Argentina who managed to stay in front of Chilean Esteban Bustos strong charge. Emmanuel will be the first Argentine athlete to qualify for the Olympic Games since 1960.

The day started with the Guatemalan winning the fencing event with a world’s best score of 282 points with 24 victories and only 4 defeats, which he increased to 284 points after his victory in the bonus, round. He was followed by Mexicans Alvaro Sandoval with 267 points and Ismael Hernandez with 243 points. The star of the bonus round was Alex Hernandez of Dominican Republic who won 8 consecutive bouts making the crowd come alive as they cheered him on.

The 200m swim was won by Nathan Schrimsher of the USA with a time just above 2 minutes of 2.00.59. Jorge Inzunza and Ismael Hernández of Mexico followed 2.01.11 and 2.01.60 respectively.

In the riding event the men had a few more problems than the women as there were no clean rounds.

The top score was obtained by Garrett Stevens of Canada with 293 points, second place was Emmanuel Zapata from Argentina with 291 points and third went to José Figueroa of Cuba with 288 points.

The medals of the Modern Pentathlon events were presented by Ivar Sisniega, UIPM First Vice-President, Jorge Salas, President of the South American Modern Pentathlon Confederation and Juan Manzo, President of the NORCECA Modern Pentathlon Confederation.

2015 PAN AMERICAN GAMES MEN’S INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION PODIUM
News from around the Modern Pentathlon World

Perpignan will host the first UIPM Laser-Run World Championships

The Southern French city of Perpignan is all set to host the first ever edition of the UIPM Laser-Run World Championships on the 26th and 27th of September, 2015. The Local Organising Committee in Perpignan is an excellent partner of UIPM in this historic project as the sport of Laser-Run makes its debut at international level.

Over the past few years, UIPM has undergone some innovative changes as well as the creation of new sports and the Laser-Run is the latest one, combining Running and Shooting in fast-paced and dynamic races.

Competing in the First UIPM Laser-Run World Championships is a truly spectacular opportunity for all young athletes in the world, as it can be the first step to the dream to become a #SuperAthlete and to represent their national teams.

The UIPM Laser-Run World Championships open registration for Elite Division (UIPM registered athletes from National Federations) in Youth A, Youth B and under, Juniors, Seniors and Masters and also for non-UIPM-registered athletes, representing the Olympic Hope Division and Laser-Run for all.

For further information on how to register as well as for schedules and venues, go to http://www.pentathlon.org

International German Masters Championships

The International German Masters Championships in Modern Pentathlon and Tetrathlon have been hailed as a major milestone in the history of Masters Pentathlon.

As well as some top class action on the field of play from the athletes, there were a number of aspects which made this particular event that little bit more special.

Firstly, the record turnout of 41 athletes from 13 nations – encompassing new members of the Masters Family from Italy and Monaco – is to be applauded as is the work of Beate Schenkel and his organising committee including Joerg Engelhardt, head of the Sachsen-Anhalt Pentathlon Federation, for their attention to detail.

The Championships also heralded the much anticipated debut within an international Masters competition of laser pistols for the Combined Event.

To ease the transition, a laser shooting range was set up by Pentashot in the athletes hotel to allow them to familiarise themselves with the new technology ahead of the competition and have their own precision air pellet pistols converted, and precisely adjusted, to laser.

This clearly aided the on the field action which was flawless with all the various disciplines well received by the enthusiastic local people of Halle an der Saale.

From the Fencing at the Federal Fencing Center to the Swimming and Riding at the nearby National Stud to the ever thrilling Combined Event, where the running track was measured and flagged by Halle’s very own Double Olympic Marathon Champion Waldemar Cirpinsk.

HALLE AN DER SAALE (GER) HOSTED THE INTERNATIONAL GERMAN MASTERS COMPETITION
UIPM Medical Committee Meeting

The UIPM Medical Committee and UIPM TUE (Therapeutic Use Exemptions) Commission meeting took place in Berlin on 4 July on the during the UIPM 2015 Senior World Championships. Items on the Agenda included Medical Assistance in Competitions; draft WADA 2016 Prohibited List; 2014 WADA Monitoring Programme; WADA Accredited Laboratories update; UIPM Testing Programme 2015–2016; Therapeutic Use Exemptions.

The Medical Committee Chairman, Prof. Fabio Pigozzi, updated the Committee on activities throughout the first half of the year including attendance of Committee members in international meetings and seminars, as well as his report to the UIPM Executive Board on behalf of the committee at the recent meeting of the Board in Minsk. Close cooperation continues with WADA, FIMS, the IOC and other authorities regarding medical and anti-doping matters in sport.

UIPM Technical Committee Meeting

The UIPM Technical Committee met in Berlin on 7 July in the immediate aftermath of the Senior World Championships. A full Agenda included such topics as Fencing Bonus Round, Laser Shooting Equipment, Results systems and management, Interna-
The UIPM Technical Committee also welcomed a presentation from Mr Olaf Petersen, FEI Course Designer, on the differences between show jumping course design for FEI and UIPM riders. The Technical Committee established a working group for UIPM Competition Rules and also redefined the awarding of World Ranking points to Junior and Youth athletes competing in higher level age group competitions which will be implemented on the UIPM website, backdated to 1 January 2015.

Furthermore, a list of recommendations to future organising committees concerning scheduling and facilities was established to be integrated into relevant documentation.

Biathle / Triathle World Tour #3

SETUBAL (POR) HOSTED THE BIATHLE / TRIATHLE WORLD TOUR #3

230 international athletes from Portugal, Great Britain, Italy, Belarus, Russia and Kazakhstan amazed spectators with their determination and passion over the weekend of competition as they pushed themselves to the limit in the Biathle/ Triathle World Tour #3 held at Urban Park of Albarquel in Setúbal, Portugal, from July 17th-19th.

Movement, innovation and Brazilian flavour: The Rio 2016 Olympic torch is revealed

On 3 of July, 399 days out from the opening of the 2016 Olympic Games, the Rio Olympic Torch and torch relay route were unveiled during a celebration in the Brazilian capital city of Brasília.

The country’s president, Mrs Dilma Rousseff, attended the ceremony along with Mr Carlos Arthur Nuzman, President of the Organising Committee for Rio 2016 and also the Brazilian Olympic Committee, besides other sports leaders, including Mr Helio Meirelles, President of the Brazilian Modern Pentathlon Federation.

The unique design of the torch incorporates “Brazilian flair”. The open segments reveal “harmonious diversity, contagious energy and exuberant nature – with the ground, sea, mountains, sky and sun represented in the colors of the Brazilian flag.” The segments will open up at the moment of the kiss, when the flame is passed from one bearer to another.

Tributes to Reynaldo González López

It was with great regret and sadness that UIPM heard of the untimely passing of Reynaldo González Lopez with the age of 66, on July 4th, in Mexico City. He will be a great loss, first and foremost to his family and secondly to the wider international sports community, where he was such a popular and respected figure.

We in the Modern Pentathlon community had the good fortune to make the acquaintance of Reynaldo through IOC business and through his leading role of Executive Secretary of Pan American Sports Organization (PASO).

He never failed to talk with knowledge and enthusiasm about our sport, which was a mark of the man given the amount of time and energy he devoted to his great sporting love, baseball.

As an IOC Member for 20 years, Reynaldo achieved extraordinary things in the world of Olympic and international sports administration and we are sure that his legacy will be powerfully felt.

He was a giant of a man and we will miss him profoundly.
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.

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).
He took part in the 53rd General Assembly of the Pan American Sports Organization (PASO) and at the election assembly of the Association of Pan American Sports Confederations (ACODEPA), where Ivar Sisniega (1st Vice President of UIPM) was re-elected as Chairman.

On July 8/9 the UIPM President met with Gary Lu, the owner of Absolute Fencing Gear, to discuss the future possibilities of the sponsorship partnership between the two bodies linked to the Bonus Round fencing presentation at A category competitions and the Olympic Games 2016 in Rio de Janeiro, and opportunities for new UIPM member federations.

President Dr. Klaus Schormann also met with the President of the Bolivia Olympic Committee, Marco Antonio Arze Mendoza, and his Secretary General, Mario Ramiro Aramayo Fortun, and briefed them on the activities of the Bolivian Modern Pentathlon Federation and the steps taken by UIPM to aid the development of Modern Pentathlon in Bolivia. UIPM 1st Vice President Ivar Sisniega joined this meeting.

Berlin hosted from the 29th June to the 5th July, the UIPM 2015 Senior World Championships.

As one of the most important events of the year, it was attended by several guests with whom Dr. Klaus Schormann and Secretary General Shiny Fang had the opportunity to present the most recent changes in the sport and specifically the exciting new Fencing Bonus Round.

IOC Executive Board Member and AIBA President Dr. C.K. Wu, IOC Chairwomen of the Athletes’ Commission and IOC Executive Board Member Claudia Bokel, World Archery President and IOC Executive Board Member Prof. Dr. Uğur Erdener and IOC Member Frank Fredericks, ISSF Secretary General Franz Schreiber, Life Honorary Founding President of Olympic Journalists Association Alain Lunzenfichter and DOSB President Alfons Hörmann were some of the distinguished guests that attended to this event.
Together with Juan Manzo on July 9, President of NORCECA, President Dr. Klaus Schormann met with the President of the Belize Olympic Committee Mr. Hilberto Martinez, to discuss the establishment of a National Federation of Modern Pentathlon after the 2015 Pan American Games, as well as the first practical steps of a partnership with the Modern Pentathlon Federation of Mexico.

During his stay in Toronto President Schormann visited various competitions of the Pan American Games, where he met with his international colleagues and NOC Presidents.

On July 16 the UIPM President joined the General Assembly of NORCECA, chaired by President Juan Manzo, and on July 17 he joined the General Assembly of the South American Confederation, chaired by President Jorge Salas, and took part along with Treasurer John Helmick and Secretary General Shiny Fang in the election assembly of the Pan American Confederation for Modern Pentathlon, where Ivar Sisniega was re-elected as President.

President Dr. Klaus Schormann briefed the delegates about the highlights of the 2015 season from a UIPM sport/politics perspective and SG Shiny Fang addressed the delegates on more practical sporting matters.

27 JULY - 3 AUGUST 2015 - KUALA LUMPUR, MALAYSIA

On 27 July UIPM President met with Tom Shepard, executive board member of USA Pentathlon. They discussed the World Cup Final 2016 in Sarasota and the World Cup stages that will take place in the USA from 2017 to 2020.

On July 30, Dr. Klaus Schormann and Shiny Fang took part in the joint meeting of the IOC Executive Board and the Summer Olympic International Federations (ASOIF), and afterwards at the joint meeting between ASOIF and AIOWF. They were briefed by the IOC about future cooperation between IFs and Olympic Organizing Committees.

During the IOC Session, UIPM President Dr. Klaus Schormann also briefed the UIPM Patron H.M. King Constantine (IOC Hon Member), UIPM Honorary President H.S.H. Prince Albert II of Monaco (IOC Member), Vice President Juan Antonio Samaranch Jr. (IOC EB Member) and UIPM Vice President Joel Bouzou (President World Olympian Association) about UIPM activities in the 2015 season.
Also during the IOC Session in Kuala Lumpur, the UIPM President Dr. Klaus Schormann met with Malaysian Modern Pentathlon President Mrs Peggy Lim and Secretary General Ms Vivien Chen.

Dr. Klaus Schormann was briefed by them about the activities of the new Federation through schools and universities and their discussions with the Malaysian Olympic Council. They will cooperate with neighbour federations such as Singapore and Thailand and look forward to striking up a similar agreement with India. President Schormann outlined to them the UIPM development policy and how it works across the age-group spectrum all the way to becoming an Olympic athlete.

During the visit he and UIPM Secretary General Shiny Fang met with Modern Pentathlon Federation of Indian Secretary General Namdev Shirgaonkar to discuss the Asian Beach Games and Modern Pentathlon Beach Games for Asia, hosted by the Indian Federation, as well as its close cooperation with Malaysia.

They also met and discussed this with the Vice President of the Olympic Council of Malaysia, Mr Rear Admiral Dato' Pahlawan Danyal Balagopal.

During the days of the IOC Session the UIPM President and Secretary General had meetings with Rio 2016 and Tokyo 2020 in preparation for the Olympic Games.

The IOC Session received updates on the implementation of Olympic Agenda 2020, granted full recognition to South Sudan and elected an Ethics Committee while reaffirming its commitment to transparency and good governance.
The PWR is updated live on www.pentathlon.org after each competition. PWR as at 31 July 2015:

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

AUGUST

UIPM 2015 Junior World Championships
Mexico City, MEX
1-6 August 2015

SEPTEMBER

UIPM 2015 Youth A World Championships
Buenos Aires, MEX
1-6 September 2015

UIPM 2015 Biathle / Triathle World Championships
Batumi, GEO
18-20 September 2015

UIPM 2015 Laser-Run World Championships
Perpignan, FRA
26-27 September 2015

Other International Competitions

August

African Championships
Cairo, Egypt
18-23 August 2015

European Championships
Bath, Great Britain
18-23 August 2015

September

Ministry of Defence Cup
Moscow, Russia
6 September 2015

Masters Open European Championships
Gyor, Hungary
23-26 September 2015

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 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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