



PENTATHLON NEWS

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UIPM PRESIDENT VISITS NAMIBIA



Picture: UIPM President, Dr h.c. Klaus Schormann was received by the Prime Minister of Namibia, the Right Honorable Nahes Angula during his recent trip to Namibia to encourage development of Modern Pentathlon in the nation. He was accompanied by the UIPM President's assistant for African Affairs Mrs Vanessa Kahandjandjo (right)

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INTERNATIONAL SPORT

- Virtual Olympic Congress: The deadline for general public submissions closed on 28 February with over 1200 contributions.
- Sportaccord 2009 will take place 23-27 March in Denver, Colorado, USA with over 1500 leaders from the International sport movement

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COMPETITION REVIEW

OPEN WINTER KAZAKHSTAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Open Winter Kazakhstan Championships for Senior and Junior men took place from 19-22 February in Almaty City. Fifty-two competitors from Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan and Moldova took part. The top three places were awarded to:

1	KAZ	KUSMOLDANOV	Nurjan	5628
2	KAZ	TEBENKOV	Eugeny	5524
3	KAZ	TEBENKOV	Vladimir	5508

OLYMPICS

YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES SINGAPORE 2010

The International Olympic Committee has released the qualification process for Modern Pentathlon at the 1st Youth Olympic Games 2010. UIPM has been allocated 24 places per gender (48 in total) with a maximum one male athlete and one female athlete per NOC. To be eligible, an athlete must have been born between 1 January 1992 and 31 December 1993. Athletes must achieve their qualification position through an official Olympic qualification competition or through the attribution of an NOC Universality place. *For more information on the NOC Universality Places please refer directly to your country NOC who will provide assistance on the process.*

Athletes must have achieved their qualification position through the following official qualification competitions:

2009 Youth Continental Championships

Asia	2 first placed athletes coming from different NOCs
Africa	1 st placed athlete
Europe	3 first placed athletes coming from different NOCs
Americas	2 first placed athletes coming from different NOCs
Oceania	1 st placed athlete

2010 World Youth A Championships, 22-25 April, Uppsala (SWE)

8 first placed athletes, not previously qualified

There will be a mixed team relay event. Teams will be composed of one male and one female athlete from the individual competitions. The team members will be decided by draw following completion of the Individual competitions.

For further information on the qualification process and qualification competitions contact UIPM Headquarters.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS



LONDON, ENGLAND

13-18 August, Crystal Palace

Plans for the World Championships in London in August are progressing well. The Sports Centre at Crystal Palace is coming to the end of a £7.5m refurbishment and will be ready in time for the British Tetrathlon Championships at the end of April. This event will be used as a test event for the World Championships and will be attended by representatives of the UIPM.

A purpose built portable shooting range has been commissioned by the organisers for use at the World Championships. Safety has been the overriding consideration and making necessary changes to satisfy the authorities has increased costs significantly. It is an exciting project and the range is expected to be ready for the April event.



Picture: The view of Crystal Palace and locations of the Modern Pentathlon disciplines

The [website](#) for the World Championships has been live for some weeks now and there is a behind the scenes [blog](#) you can read. Entry forms will be available soon and a link to an online entry system. Once a Form A has been completed nations will be sent a username and password to enable them to complete and maintain their entries.

The UK has introduced a new system of visas this year for nationals of those countries requiring one. [This document](#) lists the nations requiring visas and gives further guidance about how to apply. Please note that applicants for visas will now have to apply IN PERSON at a British Embassy in their country. The UK authorities are recommending that applications are made at least two months in advance of the date of travel.

You will be able to apply for a Sports Visitor Visa if you are invited by an event organiser in the UK to take part in a one-off sports event or a series of sports events as a competitor. Coaches, officials, event volunteers or support staff accompanying the sports person would also qualify. The organisers of the World Championships will be happy to supply a letter of invitation to those National Federations requesting one.

BIATHLE



Biathle will be contested in Dubai, United Arab Emirates for the first time ever on Friday 13 March at Le Meridien Mina Seyahi Beach Resort & Marina. President of the Modern Pentathlon Federation of UAE, Mr Mihail Kouzev, has had enthusiastic response to the competition, encouraging people of all ages to participate.

For further information go to www.biathleme.org

The **Biathle World Tour** also kicks off in March with the first stage to be held in Capetown, South Africa on 22 March. Further information can be obtained from the competition organiser bradfordanthony@absamail.co.za



UPCOMING COMPETITIONS



The French Open Championships for Seniors to be held 4-5 April has been cancelled as a result of the horses being unavailable due to the official visit of USA President Barack Obama. The competition will be re-scheduled for October/November.

The **UIPM World Cup Series** will begin in late March, with the first event to be held in Mexico City, Mexico from 26th-29th of the month. The competition will take place at the National Training High Performance Center (CNAR). The deadline for entry was 28 February 2009. The LOC can be contacted at copamexpenta09@hotmail.com



OTHER NEWS

The official UIPM Rulebook 2009-2012 will be available from UIPM Headquarters 15 March 2009.
ORDER YOUR COPY TODAY!!

The UIPM Rulebook is an A5 size booklet with a durable cover and spiral binding - **perfect for travel and use at competitions**. The UIPM Rulebook contains the following competition rules: General Aspects, Fencing, Swimming, Riding, Combined Event, Master and Biathle.

Each section of the rules is divided into different colours for ease of reference. The rulebooks are perfect for judges, technical officials, coaches and athletes.

UIPM Member Federations will receive one copy free of charge. UIPM Member Federations organising UIPM "Category A" competitions will also receive an additional copy free of charge.

Additional copies are available from UIPM Headquarters at a cost of €5 each (excluding postage).

Postage is €5 per 5 copies in Europe or €10 per 5 copies Rest of World

Please contact uipm@pentathlon.org to place your order.

INSIDE UIPM

UIPM PRESIDENT



06 February: President Schormann joined together with IOC President Dr. Jacques Rogge, IOC Vice President Dr. Thomas Bach and fellow members of the sports community at the 80th birthday celebration for Prof. Walther Tröger in Frankfurt.

07 February: In Wiesbaden, President Schormann attended the Gala of German Sport Foundation, where international business, media and Olympic athletes were guests.

08-12 February: *President Schormann went to South America where he stopped in Brazil and Argentina.* In Brazil, he had meetings in Rio de Janeiro with IOC Member and NOC President Carlos Nuzman and with Carlos Roberto Osorio, Secretary General of the 2016 Rio de Janeiro Olympic Bid Candidate City. Together with his bid team, he gave a complex presentation of the Bid documents. President Schormann, together with Mr Helio Meirelles, President of the Modern Pentathlon Federation of Brazil, visited the facilities for Modern Pentathlon where the World Cup Final 2009 will take place, which are also those presented in the Bid 2016. They

discussed also future competitions in Rio de Janeiro and the establishment of a training academy.

Picture: UIPM President, Klaus Schormann with IOC Member and NOC President Carlos Nuzman



Lufthansa



12-15 February: President Schormann visited the NOC of Argentina, where he met with the President, Alicia Masoni de Morea and her Executive Board and the five National Federations who are linked to Modern Pentathlon accompanied by Mr Jorge Salas, President of the South American Confederation of Modern Pentathlon and President of the Argentine Biathlon Federation and the Honorary President of the Modern Pentathlon Federation of Venezuela Mr. Romulo Otazo. On the 13th February, President Schormann met with athletes at the national training centre to speak about the new format. After this he met with State Secretary of Ministry for Sport, Claudio Morresi and the Technical Sport Director of the Ministry Osvaldo Arsemio to discuss the development of Modern Pentathlon through school projects and future support for high level competitions in Argentina. Together with NOC Secretary General and NOC President Alicia Masoni de Morea, President Schormann discussed projects through Olympic Solidarity for training and coaches based on the new combined event format. On the 14th February President Schormann visited the National Riding Centre, which has also a 50m Olympic Swimming pool, to discuss with President, Alejandro Condomi Alcorta (riding centre) the possibility to organise in the near future A Category competitions as all five disciplines can be arranged in the centre.

18 February: In Darmstadt, President Schormann met with photographer, Shoko Ogushi, who was the official photographer for Modern Pentathlon at the Beijing Olympic Games 2008, where she presented a draft of a publication of athlete's pictures from the last few years and surrounded with text about Modern Pentathlon. It will be published on the occasion of the European Championships in Leipzig, June 2009.

19 February: President Schormann received a visit from Mr Wu Yuqing from China to discuss sponsoring of UIPM companies through Chinese companies linked to the Asian Games 2010 in Guangzhou and the 2010 World Championships in Chengdu (China).

22 February: *President Schormann travelled to Cape Town, South Africa* where he attended a function for business society where he represented Modern Pentathlon.

23 February-2 March: *President Schormann then travelled to Windhoek, Namibia* where was welcomed at the German Embassy by Mr Matthias Hansen, Deputy Ambassador and Mrs Petra Fisher, Cultural and Press Affairs Attaché to discuss with them sport projects supported by the German Government in Namibia. In the afternoon he met journalists to brief them about Modern Pentathlon and the possibility for a Namibian Modern Pentathlon Federation in the near future. In the afternoon of 24th February he visited the Oropoko Lodge an international shooting range, where he was met by the owner Mr Kurt Steinhausen to discuss co-operations for training in the future and also business opportunity in the field of sport. On the 25th February Mr Schormann met Mr Rustan Mogane, Chief Administrator of the Namibia Sports Commission (department of the Ministry for Education and Sport) to brief him about some projects for youth (ages 16-21 years) supported by the German Government, including a three year long basketball and two year long football project, in his capacity as Member of the DOSB. They deeply discussed the issue of a national modern pentathlon body in Namibia in close co-operation with the national federations of fencing, swimming, equestrian, shooting and athletics. The Sport Commission gave full support to this matter.

After this meeting President Schormann had another fruitful meeting with the NOC President Agnes Tjongarero and Mr Dann Nel, Administration Director, where they discussed the Youth Olympic Games 2010 Singapore and matters of Olympic Movement in Namibia, like the weakness of the track and field Federation of Namibia in this moment. President Schormann informed the NOC, that the DOSB is ready to arrange a short-term track and field project in Namibia in the near future. The NOC is willing to support a national federation of modern pentathlon after all regulations for the administration are fulfilled. The NOC hosted a press conference following the meeting, which was covered for the TV-news of the national channel.

On the 26th February President Schormann visited the "Deutsche Höhere Privatschule Windhoek" (German private school) celebrating 100 years anniversary (1909-2009) where he was welcomed by Mrs Monika Pfänder, Director and Vice Director, Klaus Rennack. The school caters for 1200 children and has sport as a compulsory subject (the only school in Namibia to have this requirement). Mr Schormann was highly impressed with the sport facilities and the strong support of the teachers and parents for Olympic sports. The school has all the resources for the training of four disciplines (not riding) and a very central location in the city. President Schormann



Picture: UIPM President, Mr Schormann together with the President of Argentinean Alicia Masoni de Morea, members of the NOC Executive Board, President of the South American Confederation of Modern Pentathlon Mr Jorge Salas and the Honorary President of the Modern Pentathlon Federation of Venezuela Mr. Romulo Otazo

presented the concept of school biathlon, based on their facilities and they were encouraged to become a partner to modern pentathlon. On 27th February President Schormann prepared for a meeting with the Namibian Prime Minister assisted by the Office Director for the Prime Minister, Mrs Caroline M. Sitongo and Dr Otto Kapia, former mayor and active politician.

On 1st March, President Schormann was received at the office of the Prime Minister Right Honourable Nahes Angula, where he briefed him on the activities of the German Olympic Sport Association and German Government in Namibia. He pointed out the importance of sport in the field of education and the necessity of sport lessons in schools in Namibia. He spoke also about the organisation Peace and Sport and the forum this year in November. Further, he presented the UIPM wish to establish a national federation in the near future and requested strong support through the Government.

Throughout his stay in Namibia, President Schormann was assisted by Mrs Vanessa Kahandjandjo, Assistant to UIPM President for African Affairs, who co-ordinated and accompanied him to all meetings.

President Schormann will also continue as a Member of the IOC Commission for Culture and Olympic Education, of which he has been a member since 1994 and is Chairman of the working group for Programme Development.

UIPM HONORARY PRESIDENT



IOC Member and UIPM Honorary President, H.S.H Prince Albert II of Monaco crossed from the west to east of Antarctica to evaluate the impact of global warming on this continent. Leaving on 5 January, he arrived at the South Pole on 14 January and planted the Olympic flag, just as he did at the North Pole. He left Antarctica on 21 January after visiting 22 scientific stations.

Picture: H.S.H Prince Albert II, holding the flag of Monaco in Antarctica

UIPM SECRETARY GENERAL

1-10 February: UIPM Secretary General, Mr Joël Bouzou was in Australia during which time he met with IOC Member and President of the Australian Olympic Committee (AOC), Mr John Coates, AC. He also had the opportunity to meet with Cathy Freeman, gold medallist 400m, Sydney Olympic Games 2000 to discuss the development and potential partnership of Peace & Sport (of which he is President) and the Catherine Freeman Foundation.

12-15 February: UIPM Secretary General, Joël Bouzou attended the Confederation Internationalé du Sport Africain (CISA) in his capacity as President, Peace & Sport. He made a special presentation during the session, titled "De l'usage du sport pour l'Education, la Paix et la Développement en Afrique" (The Use of Sport for Education, Peace and the Development of Africa). During his time here he met with IOC Member and chair of the IOC Athletes Committee, Mr Frank Fredericks (*picture, right*) and General Palenfo, ACNOA President to discuss Peace & Sport involvement within Africa, and the NOC Presidents Burundi, Democratic Republic of Congo and Rwanda to discuss joint projects in the area.

20 February: Mr Bouzou met with Christine Dominguez, General Director of GAISF.

24 February: In Monaco, Joël Bouzou in his dual capacity as President Peace & Sport, welcomed the Sport Minister from Burundi, Mr Jean-Jacques Nyenimigabo, where amongst other issues discussed the introduction of Biathlon with the Modern Pentathlon Federation of Burundi, and the potential for Biathlon to be included as one of the sports used for the Games of the Great Lakes.

26 February: In his capacity as President, Peace & Sport, Mr Bouzou participated at the inaugural Global Sports Forum where he appeared as a panellist. While there he also met with IOC member and UIPM 1st Vice President, Juan Antonio Samaranch Jnr and again with General Palenfo and Wilfred Lemke, Special advisor to the UN General Secretary and Peace & Sport Ambassador.



27 February: Secretary General, Joël Bouzou met with Howard Jones , Biathle Manager from Great Britain to discuss the continued development of Biathle and preparations of the Biathle World Championships.

UIPM COMMITTEES

BUSINESS AFFAIRS

The UIPM Business Affairs Committee, comprised of the Marketing, Media and Finance Commissions and chaired by Vice President, John Helmick, will meet in Frankfurt, Germany from 7-9 March. Topics that will be covered in the discussions include Press & Media, Television & Internet Television, Publications, Website, Sponsor Support, Equipment Distribution, Venue dressing amongst other things.

MEDICAL

Chairman of the Medical Committee, Prof. Fabio Pigozzi, has been appointed by IOC President Dr. Jacques Rogge as a member of the IOC Commission for Culture and Olympic Education. He now joins UIPM President, Dr h.c. Klaus Schormann who is also a member of this Commission since 1994. The UIPM family congratulates Prof. Pigozzi on this appointment.

NATIONAL FEDERATIONS

GEORGIA

On 29 December 2008, the Modern Pentathlon and Triathlon Federation of Georgia had elections. The members of newly elected Executive Board are as follows:

President:	Mr. Juansher Zaldastanishvili
1 st Vice President:	Mr Viacheslav Malishev
Vice President:	Mr Nodar Alavidze
Secretary General:	Mr Nikolai Akhalshenishvili
Member:	Mr Amiran Sherozia
Member:	Mr Irakli Korchilava
Member:	Mr Nodar Cholaria
Member:	Mr David Mkalavishvili
Member:	Mr Teimuraz Mikadze
Member:	Mr Besarion Kirvalidze
Member:	Mr Merab Sharashenidze

GREAT BRITAIN - JOB OPPORTUNITY

Whitgift school in Croydon, England requires a well-qualified, enthusiastic coach to be a member of an outstanding Physical Education department and to lead the next generation of Olympic pentathletes, enabling them to fulfil their dreams. The successful candidate will lead the Modern Pentathlon programme and coach students from novice to Junior World Championships level. The School has recently opened a £9 million Sports and Conference Centre, which includes an 8 lane variable depth swimming pool. Candidates must also be willing to participate in the School's extensive co-curricular activities programme. This post might suit a candidate who is looking to move their professional aspirations to a higher level.



For further details please telephone 020 8688 9222, fax 020 8760 0682 or e-mail office@whitgift.co.uk. Applications should be addressed as soon as possible to the Headmaster, Whitgift School, Haling Park, South Croydon, Surrey CR2 6YT, enclosing curriculum vitae and names and addresses of two referees. Applications may also be sent by email to office@whitgift.co.uk

HUNGARY



The Hungarian Modern Pentathlon Association (HMPA) held elections on Wednesday 11 February. The new board of HMPA is the following:

President	Géza Egyed
1st vice president	Dr. Bea Simóka
Vice presidents	Dr. István Gyenesei Ákos Hanzély Attila Mizsér

SPAIN

On February 28, Mr Eduardo Ayuso Canals was elected at the President of the Spanish Federation of Modern Pentathlon. The Secretary General remains, Mr Alberto Martinez Vassallo.

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INTERNATIONAL SPORT

IOC

- The composition of the IOC commissions for 2009 has now been finalised and is available on the IOC website. The role of these commissions is to guide the IOC and the Organising Committees for the Olympic Games in their missions.
- General public submissions for the virtual Olympic Congress closed on 28 February with over 1200 submissions. Twenty people who made the most interesting submissions will also be invited to attend the Congress in Copenhagen and have the opportunity to take part in the debates on the five themes, alongside Olympic leaders and representatives of society. More information on the virtual Olympic Congress can be sought at www.olympic.org/congress2009

More information about the activities of the IOC can be found at www.olympic.org

SPORTACCORD

- Sportaccord 2009 will take place in Denver, Colorado, USA from 23-27 March. Sportaccord is a 5 day gathering of 1500 leading representative from international sport. The annual convention is held in a different country each year and encompasses the Congress and General Assemblies of over 100 international sports federations and their related associations. This year, among the impressive list of speakers will be Andre Agassi, former number one professional tennis player, eight-time Grand Slam champion and Olympic Gold medallist.

PENTATHLON WORLD RANKING

New Balance Pentathlon World Ranking

The PWR is updated live on www.pentathlon.org after each competition.

PWR as at 28 February 2009:

Women

1	GBR	FELL	Heather	216
2	GER	SCHONEBORN	Lena	198
3	GBR	LIVINGSTON	Katy	196
4	EGY	MEDANY	Aya	191
5	UKR	TERESHUK	Victoria	185
6	FRA	CAZE	Amelie	182
7	BLR	SAMUSEVICH	Anastasia	178
8	LTU	RIMSAITE	Donata	177
9	POL	BOENISZ	Paulina	172
10	LTU	ASADAUSKAITE	Laura	160

11	LAT	RUBLEVSKA	Elena	154
12	GBR	SPENCE	Mhairi	152
13	POL	CZWOJDZINSKA	Sylvia	150
14	RUS	GRETCHICHNIKOVA	Evdokia	149
15	POL	DZIADURA	Marta	146
16	BLR	ARKHIPENKA	Hanna	142
17	HUN	GYENESEI	Leila	138
18	POL	MALOSZYC	Edita	137
19	HUN	TOTH	Adrienn	135
20	CZE	GROLICHOVA	Lucie	134

Men

1	RUS	MOISEEV	Andrei	203
2	FRA	BERROU	Jean maxence	186
3	LTU	ZADNEPROVSKIS	Andrejus	185
4	RUS	FROLOV	Iliia	183
5	LTU	KRUNGOLCAS	Edvinas	172
6	UKR	KIRPULYANSKY	Dmytro	167
7	CZE	POLIVKA	Ondrej	167
8	HUN	KASZA	Robert	167
9	USA	BREMER	Eli	164
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12	GER	WALTHER	Eric	156
13	MEX	SOTO	Oscar	154
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15	LAT	CHERKOVSKIS	Denis	150
16	CZE	MICHALIK	Michal	148
17	BLR	MELIAKH	Dzmitry	146
18	POL	HORBACZ	Marcin	146
19	POL	MAJEWSKI	Bartosz	145
20	USA	BOWSHER	Dennis	145

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: UIPM was born

1996 - Atlanta: First time all 5 events competed in one day at Olympics

1998 - Budapest, Mexico, Monaco, Olympia and Lausanne:
UIPM 50 Years Anniversary

2000 - Sydney: First time for women in the Olympic Programme

2004 - Athens: Pentathlon home after 2712 years

2012 - London: 100 Years of Modern Pentathlon in the Olympic Games

2012 - Stockholm: Centenary Congress

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