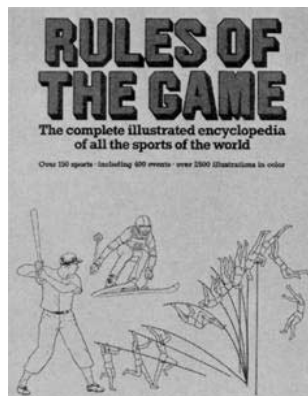


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This richly presented "complete illustrated encyclopaedia of all the sports of the world", even though it does not entirely live up to its promises, does however set out the basic rules of play for nearly 400 sports. It was indeed an impossible undertaking to want to give everyone the possibility of learning the rules of the game for so many sports, all in 300 pages, when one knows that each International Federation requires almost as many pages for its own sport. Nevertheless, such as it is, this book will enable those, be they sportsmen or spectators, who know each sport slightly, to progress and discover new pleasures in sport.

In any case, this book offers the best means for quickly finding a basic rule, either disputed or forgotten, in almost any sport. What other work can claim as much?

Sporting Heritage by Guy Lewis and Gerald Redmond. Publisher: A. S. Barnes & Co. Inc., Box 421, Cranbury, N. J. 08512 (United States) and Thomas Yoseloff Ltd., 108 New Bond Street, London W1Y 0QX (Great Britain). 185 pages, in English - 1974. Price: \$8.50.

This book is a valuable guide to all museums, halls of fame, special collections, etc. which are devoted to sport on United States and Canadian territory. Many of them are well-known, but others deserve to be equally so. This work is indispensable for those interested in the history of sport.

20 Olimpiad Ery Nowozytnej (20 Olympiads of the modern era) by Grzegorz Młodzikowski. Publisher: Sport i Turystyka, Warsaw (Poland). 469 pages, in Polish - 1973. Price: 50 zlotys.

This is the first Polish publication to contain not only the history of the Olympic Games, but also that of the IOC (rather confused), its Sessions and Olympic Congresses. This book deals with the period between 1894 and 1972 "from the inside", through the IOC's day-to-day running and not just as an event which surfaces suddenly every four years.

Champions à vendre (Champions for sale) by Pierre Georges, Gerard Albouy, J. C. Buguin, G. Delamarre and Pierre Salviac. Publisher: Calmann-Levy, 3 rue Auber, Paris (France). «Questions d'actualité» collection. 232 pages, in French. Price: 24 French francs.

Five sports reporters investigate one of the major problems in present-day sport—money and its consequences, the personality cult, and commercial and political exploitation. The enquiry takes place in France, but it can easily be transposed elsewhere. The authors relate the daily lives of some of these "champions for sale", and invite us to follow them into the swimming pools and stadia, onto the tracks and roads. For each sport is a special case.

Mary P. - Autobiography by Mary Peters and Ian Wooldridge. Publisher: Stanley Paul and Company Ltd., 3 Fitzroy Square, London W. 1. (Great Britain). 156 pages, in English - 1974. Price: £2.75.

Gold pentathlon medallist at Munich, and again in Christchurch at the Commonwealth Games, the Irish girl Mary Peters has since given up competition. But these victories as usual have a tendency to push the human side of such personalities into the background. Mary Peters realised this, and the proof, explanation and philosophy of the author is shown by her book.

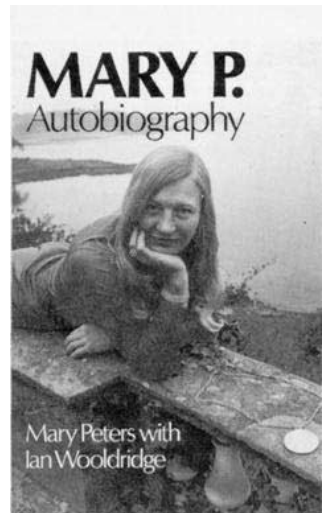
The Mary Peters who emerges from this book is so totally different from the image we have of her that at the start the reader is bewildered. But the sincerity of style, determination, loyalty to friends, love of her country, of ravaged Ulster, which she feels with anguish, is expressed so simply, without boasting or pomposity, that one cannot help liking this new Mary Peters. And in the harshness of certain opinions and indignation against certain facts, is there not a fragment of truth from which we can all benefit?

Third European Conference for Leaders of Young Sportsmen (report). Published by the Nederlandse Sport Federatie, The Hague (Netherlands). 150 pages, in German, English and French - 1974.

Fourteen nations were represented at this 3rd conference held at Arnhem in April 1974. The report includes the delegates' speeches, a summary of the discussions and the group working meetings, and the conclusions of this conference.

Biorama Ski 75 by Serge and Patrick Lang. Published by the authors, Rheintalweg 106, 4125 Riehen (Switzerland). 100 pages, in French. Price: 5 Swiss francs.

For the fourth time in four years, father and son have recommenced this work. The newly-published 1975 edition is devoted entirely to competition, or rather to alpine skiing. Very varied, complete and well illustrated, this brochure is enriched with historical accounts and a gallery of most interesting champions.



(Everything about the Olympic Games) by B. Khavine. Publisher: Fizkultura i Sport, Moscow (USSR). 575 pages, in Russian - 1974. Price: R. 1.63.

For us, this plentiful encyclopaedia has the one fault of being in Russian. Therefore, we must be satisfied with describing the contents very briefly: the history of the Olympic Games, their geography, the traditions and rules of the various sports on the programme, results and records. The last section includes photographs of all the Soviet Olympic champions, with a short biography of each of them.

Nages (Swimming) (Quarterly technical review of the National College for Swimming Coaches - France). No. 1, October, in French. Price: 5 French francs.

We are happy to welcome the appearance of the first number of a technical review devoted to swimming and which fills a gap in the publication of French literature on this sport. From the contents, we would particularly point out an article by Mrs. Suzanne Berlioux on the development of women's swimming, a report and analysis of the European championships in Vienna, and a very interesting study on "the difficult coaching profession".