

Within the International Federations

International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF)

● *The IAAF Handbook 1975-1976*, presenting the constitution, technical rules, history, list of members and IAAF statistics, has just been published in English and French. Price: 80 p.

Fédération Internationale de Basketball Amateur (FIBA)

● **The European Olympic qualifying tournament** to qualify a team for the 1976 Olympic Games is planned for May 1976 in Edinburgh (Scotland). The Canadian city of Hamilton will host the last qualifying tournament in June 1976, which will enable three men's and two ladies' teams to win a place in the Olympic Games.

Fédération Internationale de Bobsleigh et de Tobogganing (FIBT)

● *The International Bobsleigh Federation's Congress* was held at Cervinia at the time of the world championships. At this Congress the federation decided that the world championships next year would coincide with the Olympic Games and that the winning Olympic team at Innsbruck would therefore also be world champion. The International Federation will decide between the bids of St. Moritz and Sapporo for the 1977 world championships. The resort in the Grisons has agreed that if the situation develops favourably in Sapporo, the championships should go to Japan.

Association Internationale de Boxe Amateur (AIBA)

● *The AIBA's Executive Board* will in future be composed of the President, the Honorary President, the Secretary General, nine Vice-Presidents and twenty members according to a fair continental distribution.

● *"An amateur may not promote or assist the promotion of professional boxing in any way.* This Irish proposal, passed by 18 votes to 3 at the AIBA's last Congress, henceforth appears in the federation's rules.

● *"World amateur boxing championships on a national entry basis shall be organised every four years in the second year after the Olympic Games. A world cup competition on a continental team entry basis may be arranged one year before and one year after the Olympic Games."*

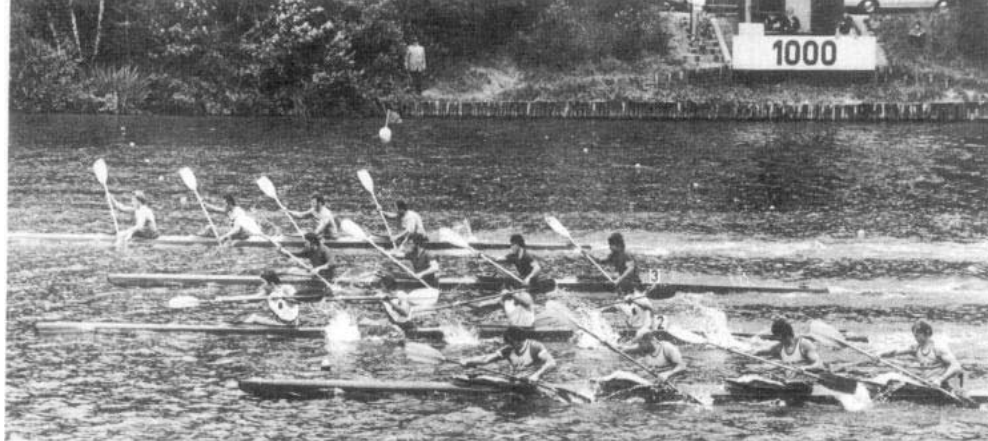
● *The designation of referees and judges for each bout in the Olympic Games and world championships shall so far as practicable be as follows: on the one hand, one referee selected by a draw whatever his continent, and on the other hand, one judge from Africa, one judge from America, one judge from Asia, one judge from Europe, one judge from Australia/Oceania. In no case shall more than two judges in any one bout come from the same continent.*

● *The winners of Olympic tournaments shall also be awarded the title of world champion.*

● *Among the 125 national federations affiliated to the AIBA there are 33 in Africa, 30 in America, 25 in Asia, 8 in Oceania and 29 in Europe.*

International Canoe Federation (ICF)

● *The International Canoe Federation's jubilee book* retraces the history of this sport back over 50 years, since the ICF was founded on 19th January 1924 in Copenhagen by leaders from Austria, Denmark, Sweden and Germany. The first chapter devoted to the sport's origins is interesting: *"The most ancient craft in the world, the log canoe of the primitive peoples, must be regarded as the ancestor of our modern canoes. Thou-*



50th anniversary of the ICF: start of a kayak tours heat.

sands of years ago this type of boat, propelled by a paddle, was already in use in Africa, Southern Asia and Polynesia, for fishing, hunting and travel. The earliest existing piece of evidence is provided by a silver canoe, with silver paddle, about 6000 years old, found some fifty years ago by the English archaeologist, Sir Charles Leonard Woolley, in the tomb of a Sumerian king of Ur, on the edge of the Euphrates Delta. The canoe had been given to the dead king for his journey across the river of the Underworld."

The second part of the book contains a complete table of the first three in every discipline in the Olympic Games and world and European championships, chronological lists of the Presidents, Board members and affiliated federations, and thirty pages of carefully and successfully chosen illustrations. We would like to congratulate Mr. Hans Egon Vesper, President of the ICF's Propaganda and Information Commission, who was responsible for this work.

- Various changes in the sports regulations will be submitted for approval to the ICF Congress on 25th July 1976 in Montreal, to take effect on 1st January 1977.

- Presidents of the ICF's permanent committees: Racing: Mr. Nicolae Navasart (Rumania); Slalom: Mr. Rudolf Landgraf (GDR); Propaganda and Information: Mr. Hans Egon Vesper (Germany); Sports Medicine: Dr. Horst Burger (GDR); Tourism: Mr. Caslav Veljic (Yugoslavia); and Sailing Canoe: Mr. Arthur Neveling (Sweden).

- On the calendar: 31st July to 3rd August 1975: world championships in Belgrade; 28th to 31st July 1976: Olympic competitions

in Montreal. The world championships will be held in Sofia in 1977, in Dartmouth (Canada) in 1978, in Duisburg (Germany) in 1979 and in Nottingham (Great Britain) in 1981.

- The ICF Bulletin is being revived by Mr. Hans Egon Vesper (Germany), President of the Propaganda and Information Commission. Address: Trospardelle 2, 41 Duisburg 29, Germany. Price of one year's subscription: 6 DM.



Duisburg, July 1974 - 50th anniversary of the ICF: Mr. Charles de Coquereaumont, President of the ICF, hands the commemorative medal to Mr. Edward Serednicki, Secretary General of the Polish Canoe Federation. In front of the microphone: Mr. Sergio Orsi, Secretary General of the ICF.

Fédération Internationale de Luge de Course (FIL)

● *1st FIL-FIBT Congress.* Leaders of the International Luge and Bob Federations will hold a joint Congress for the first time on 6th October 1975 in Innsbruck. The FIL's chief commissions (Executive Board, Youth Commission, Medical Commission, Equipment Commission) will meet between 7th and 12th October.

Fédération Internationale de Natation Amateur (FINA-Swimming)

● At the beginning of this year, the FINA has 112 affiliated national federations: 31 from America, 30 from Europe, 27 from Asia, 20 from Australasia and 17 from Africa.

● *The Japanese federation* has just celebrated its 50th anniversary.

● *Montreal 76:* Each country may enter between one and three competitors for each individual event. No time standard will be required for one representative per nation. However, for two or three swimmers, the minimum standards are based on the first six times at the Belgrade world championships plus 4% when the country intends to enter two swimmers, and plus 2% when it intends to enter a third.

Fédération Internationale de Tir à l'Arc (FITA-Archery)

● *The world championships* will be held at Interlaken (Switzerland), right in the centre of the town. The competition will comprise a double FITA—two heats with 36 arrows at 70, 60, 50 and 30 m. (women) and at 90, 70, 50 and 30 m. (men)—lasting four days, from 25th to 28th June. Each country may enter four men and four women.

Fédération Internationale de Volleyball (FIVB)

● *The FIVB Executive Board* has drawn up the regulation for the Olympic qualifying tournaments which will be held in Italy for men and Germany for women in January 1976.

International Weightlifting Federation (IWF)

● *"International Weightlifting"* is the title of the IWF's official bulletin. In the editorial Mr. Gottfried Schödl, President of the IWF since 1972, writes: "The first number of our new monthly publication is a good step into the year 1975. But it is only one of many as we shall have to take several important decisions in the 55th year of the federation's existence."

● *Montreal 76:* the qualification period for the next Olympic Games will begin with the Pannonia tournament in Budapest (Hungary) on 24th July 1975.

Table of minimum standards:

	<i>Men 2 entries</i>	<i>Men 3 entries</i>	<i>Women 2 entries</i>	<i>Women 3 entries</i>
100 m. freestyle	54"4	53"4	1'01"3	1'00"1
200 m. freestyle	1'59"5	1'57"2	2'12"1	2'09"5
400 m. freestyle	4'11"2	4'06"3	4'34"2	4'28"9
800 m. freestyle	—	—	9'26"1	9'15"2
1500 m. freestyle	16'29"1	16'10"1	—	—
100 m. backstroke	1'01"4	1'00"2	1'09"0	1'07"7
200 m. backstroke	2'11"9	2'09"3	2'28"2	2'25"3
100 m. breaststroke	1'08"2	1'06"9	1'18"9	1'17"3
200 m. breaststroke	2'28"7	2'25"9	2'48"5	2'45"3
100 m. butterfly	59"0	57"8	1'06"3	1'05"0
200 m. butterfly	2'08"8	2'06"3	2'25"1	2'22"3
400 m. medley	4'46"2	4'40"7	5'16"7	5'10"6