

Within the International Federations

International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF)

- *Montreal 1976*

Here are the qualifying marks fixed by the IAAF for participation in the finals of the Games' competitions:

Men: high jump: 2.16m; pole vault: 5.10m; long jump: 7.80m; triple jump: 16.30m; shot put: 19.40m; discus: 60m; hammer: 69m; javelin: 79m. The bars will be raised as follows: high jump - 2, 2.05, 2.10, 2.13, 2.16m for the qualifying round; 2, 2.05, 2.10, 2.14, 2.18, 2.21m, then every two centimetres for the final. Pole vault - 4.60, 4.80, 5, 5.10m for the qualifying round; 4.80, 5, 5.10, 5.20m, then every five centimetres for the final.

Women: high jump: 1.80m; long jump: 6.30m; shot put: 16.50m; discus: 55m; javelin: 54.50m. The bar will be raised as follows: 1.70, 1.75, 1.78, 1.80m for the qualifying round; 1.70, 1.75, 1.78, 1.81, 1.84, 1.87m, then every two centimetres for the final.

- *Doping tests* were carried out on 160 athletes in 1975 by the Medical Commission of the European Athletics Association. No cases of drug taking, other than anabolics, were discovered.

Fédération Internationale de Basketball Amateur (FIBA)

- *Women's world championships* in Columbia from 23rd September to 4th October 1975. The USSR team won its fifth consecutive world title; will it obtain the first women's Olympic basketball title in Montreal? In any event, it has already qualified, together with the teams from Japan and Czechoslovakia which came second and third in the world championships.

- *The Xth FIBA world congress* will be held on 13th and 14th July 1976 in Montreal.

Association Internationale de Boxe Amateur (AIBA)

- *As the next AIBA Congress* will not be held until 1978, a conference of the delegates from the member federations will meet in Montreal, the day before the Olympic Games.

- *Mr. Johan Hofman* (Netherlands) accedes to the presidency of the European Amateur Boxing Association.

- *A world boxing museum* will shortly be created in England.

Fédération Internationale Amateur de Cyclisme (FIAC)

- *The next FIAC Management Committee*, to be elected in August 1977, will comprise sixteen members, including compulsorily at least one representative of each of the five continents.

- *The French Cycling Federation* has reduced the number of licences from four to two. From now on, there will only be licences A and B, the former reserved for amateurs—for whom cycling during the season is their full-time occupation—who will be able to race all week. The latter will be attributed to the other racers, real amateurs, who have a profession and ride for their pleasure. In this category, they will be able to race only on Saturdays, Sundays, Mondays and holidays.

- *The 2nd junior world championships* will be organised next summer by the "Ligue vélocipédique belge" (Belgium). The track events, as well as the team road time trial, will take place at Rocourt. The individual road event will be held around Gooik. Seventeen towns had applied to stage this road event.

- *Three new national federations affiliated to the FIAC:* Bermuda, Bolivia and Sudan.

Fédération Equestre Internationale (FEI)

- *The FEI General Assembly*, meeting in Brussels, accepted the affiliations of the equestrian federations of Indonesia, the Philippines, Singapore and Taiwan, thus bringing the number of member federations to 65.

- *Montreal 1976*

The file of the equestrian events at the Montreal Games, presented on behalf of the Organising Committee by Mr. William D. Little, Co-ordinator of Equestrian Sports, and Director of the future Olympic competitions, showed that there are no pending problems. The installations at Bromont satisfy the FEI's requirements.

Warning by the President of the FEI

"Do not succumb to excessive national pride. The Montreal courses will be deadly. Send only completely prepared riders and horses."

- *The cup of the President of the FEI* was handed by the President himself, HRH the Duke of Edinburgh, to Mr. Cappelman, mainspring of the German Equestrian Federation. Each year this cup establishes the world hierarchy in the field of show jumping. The classification is drawn up from the results obtained by each country in the Prix des Nations and various official international show jumping competitions. The FRG jumpers precede the British, French, Belgians, Dutch...

- *Official CSIO competitions in 1976: April: 16-19, Hickstead (Great Britain); 28 to 2nd May, Rome; May: 12-16, Madrid; 18-23, Aix-la-Chapelle; 26-30, Lucerne; June: 9-13, Olsztyn; 17-20, Trinwickershaven (GDR); August: 3-8, Dublin; 18-22, Rotterdam; 26-29, Ostend; September: 16-19, Laxenburg (Austria); October: 2-10, Lisbon; 24-31, Washington; November: 1-7, La Paz (Bolivia); 2-9, New York; December: 8-12, Paris.*

- *The first Professional World Jumping Championship*, scheduled by the FEI to be held at Cardiff, did not take place, as only the British Federation agreed to classify certain horsemen in the "professional" category.

Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA)

- *Montreal 1976*. The teams from Mali, Paraguay, Venezuela, Argentina and Ecuador will not be participating in the Olympic qualification matches.

International Handball Federation (IHF)

- *The Vth women's world championships*, won by the GDR team, qualified the first four teams for the 1976 Olympic tournament. Thus, the GDR, the USSR, Hungary and Rumania will compete again in Montreal with the team from Canada and a sixth team. The latter will qualify at the end of an inter-continental tournament opposing a representative team from the continents of Africa, America and Asia.

- *The new official list of IHF referees* for 1975-1976 includes 239 referees from 33 national associations.

- *The Egyptian team* won the first Pan-Arabian handball tournament staged in Cairo.

- *The Danish Handball Federation*, organiser of the next men's world championships planned from 26th January to 5th February 1978 in 16 different sports halls, has begun its preparations.

International Judo Federation (ISF)

- *Montreal 1976*. Judokas will be competing for the Olympic titles in a ring set up in the centre of the cycle track. The choice of this site has satisfied Mr. Charles S. Palmer, President of IJF. They will be able to train at the Paul Sauvé centre where the curling hall will be specially fitted up for them.

Fédération Internationale de Luge de Course (FIL)

- *The next World Championships* will be held in Imst (Austria) in 1977.

Union Internationale de Pentathlon Moderne et Biathlon (UIPMB)

- *To make the last day of the Olympic modern pentathlon competitions more attractive* appears necessary to Brigadier General Sven Thofelt, President of the UIPMB and IOC member for Sweden. With this objective, he has drawn up a series of proposals published in the UIPMB bulletin No. 29.

- *Is the biathlon a military sport?* Mr. Olle Hederén, Secretary General of UIPMB for this sport, answers this question for us: "In 1964, at the Olympic Games, 74% of the athletes taking part in the biathlon were civilians, the figure was 76% in 1968, 79% in 1972 and 80% at the World Championships in 1974."

International Skating Union (ISU)

- *The ISU Council* will meet from 21st to 24th May 1976 in Rome.

Fédération Internationale de Ski (FIS)

- *The FIS Council* will be meeting at Seefeld (Pfarrhaus) on 4th February.

- *The organisation of the new FIS central office in Bern: Secretary General:* Mr. Sigge Bergman (office at Rättvik, Sweden); *Director of the central office:* Gian Franco Kasper; *Assistant to the Director:* Arnold Bergman; *Alpine technical office:* Peter Baumgartner, Odette Perret, Walter Trilling; *Nordic technical office:* Arnold Bergman (cross-country), Emmerich Pepeunig (assistant for jumping with his office in Innsbruck).

- *New address:*

The official address of the FIS in Stockholm (Ankdammsgatan 3-5) changed on 1st November 1975. All correspondence should now be sent to the private address of the Secretary General at Rättvik.

— Secretary General: P. O. Box 2315, 795 000 Rättvik, Sweden.

Tel: 0248/12 098, 12 355; telegrams: Skifederation Rättvik.

— Central office: Elfenstrasse 19, Postfach, 3000 Bern 16, Switzerland.

Tel: 031/44 43 71; telex: 33 522; telegrams: Skifederation Bern.

- *638 FIS international events* will be organised during the season by 27 national skiing federations. This figure is subdivided into 396 Alpine events in 25 countries (171 of which are for women) and 242 Nordic events in 19 countries (77 of which for women). By event, we mean a competition staged in one area, but for which several competitions can appear on the programme over a period of one, two or three days.

- *Safety and skiing.* The President of the FIS, Mr. Marc Hodler, states: "It is advisable to review regularly the approval of the Alpine ski runs due to the steady increase in speed which is becoming excessive and which makes jumps uncontrollable. I think the present runs which are too steep should be modified and made more technical in order to limit the speed."

- *Mr. Sigge Bergman*, for thirty-two years a Council member of the Swedish Skiing Federation as Treasurer, Secretary General or President, gives up this position in order to devote more time to his work as Secretary General of the FIS.

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

- *A seminar of international judges and candidate judges* will take place at Sorrente near Naples (Italy) from 20th to 25th January 1976.

Fédération Internationale de Volleyball (FIVB)

- *The FIVB Board of Directors*, meeting recently at Herzogenaurach (FRG), has accepted the affiliations of the Guam Amateur Volleyball Association and of the Bahrain Volleyball Association. Two other requests for recognition, from Bangladesh and the Cayman Islands, are being studied.

- *Montreal 1976*

An Olympic qualification tournament will take place in Italy from 15th to 23rd January next. The seventeen participating teams are divided into four groups: Italy, Venezuela, Greece, Indonesia (group I); the USA, Turkey, Kuwait, Yugoslavia (group II); Czechoslovakia, Belgium, Nigeria, Israel, Iran (group III); Rumania, Bulgaria, FRG, Spain (group IV). The winners of each group will meet in a final pool to decide the two elected for Montreal. These two qualified teams will join Canada, organising country; Poland, world champion; Japan, Olympic champion; the USSR, European champion; Cuba, North and Central American champion; and Korea, Asian champion.