

Recognised Federations

International Badminton Federation (IBF)

- The third World Championships in Badminton, to be staged at the Bronby Hall, Copenhagen, have already been completely booked in spite of the capacity of more than 4000 seats. The Patron of the championships, Queen Margaret of Denmark, and Prince Henrik, plan to attend the finals, when the Queen is expected to present the medals. Also planning to attend is H.E. Mr Juan Antonio Samaranch, President of the IOC.

The organising committee of the championships have arranged the production of video films of some 50 matches. The tapes will be on sale at an anticipated price of appr. \$24 per tape.

The Danish postal authorities have already issued a commemorative stamp to celebrate the world championships – the subject is Lene Køppen the former World and All-England champion – and the Danish Badminton Federation has ordered special issues of first-day covers which will be on sale during the championships. The face value is Dkr 2.70.

- At the end of 1982, there were only 64 licensed players, all the others being amateurs.

The IInd “Cruz del Sur” Games

Ten countries (BOL, BRA, COL, CHI, ECU, PAR, PER, URU, VEN, ARG) sent athletes to take part in the IInd “Cruz del Sur” Games from 26th November to 5th December 1982.

1242 male, and 377 female athletes took part in various competitions held in Rosario, Santa Fé, Esperanza, Villa Eloisa and Buenos Aires.

The 20 sports on the programme were: athletics, basketball, baseball, boxing, cycling, equestrian events, fencing, football, gymnastics, wrestling, swimming, diving, volleyball, yachting, rowing, tennis, table tennis, shooting, roller skating and hockey.

These IInd “Cruz del Sur” Games have helped the development of sport in Argentina. firstly with the construction of new sports complexes and secondly with the creation of two National Federations: sailing and wrestling. They have also shown the vitality of the Olympic spirit on the South American Continent.