

NATIONAL COMMITTEES



ALGERIA

Mr. Kamal Bouchama, Algerian Minister for Youth and Sports, and Mr. Li Menghua, Chairman of the State Committee (ministry) for Physical and Sports Culture of the People's Republic of China, signed an agreement on the 26th December 1984 with the aim of strengthening the sports links between the two countries, in particular by the organisation of competitions and meetings between the athletes.



□ Swimmer Jon Sieben, who established a new world record in the 200 m butterfly last summer in Los Angeles, has been designated as the Australian Sportsman of the Year.



FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY

The Deutscher Sportjournalisten Verband (Association of German Sportswriters) has designated Ulrike Meyfarth, two-time Olympic champion in the high jump, as athlete of the year. Gold medallist at the 1972 Olympic Games in Munich, where, at the age of 16, she established a new world record (1.97 m), Ulrike Meyfarth returned to Olympic competition last year with a new Olympic record (2.02 m).



AUSTRIA

The sports festival of the Kärnten national federation of ASKO, the Austrian association of those working for sport and physical culture, took place at the end of last year in Wolfsberg with a record participation of three thousand active sportsmen from all the Austrian States, from Yugoslavia, the Federal Republic of Germany, Hungary and the USSR.

The ASKO organised twenty-three federal championships in 1984 and the number of participants of all ages is constantly increasing.

On the occasion of a recent gala organised by the Austrian Sports Federation (OTUSU) and Austrian television (FS2), several outstanding European sports journalists received awards for their achievements in the field. Among the recipients was Jacques Ferran (FRA), President of the International Association Against Violence in Sport (AICVS) and Editor-in-Chief of "L'Equipe".



ANDORRA

Composition of the new Executive Board of the Andorran Olympic Committee : *PT*: Mr. Isidre Baro Cabanes (re-elected); *Jst VPT*: Mr. Lluís Molne Armengol; *2nd VPT*: Mr. Joan Besoli Baco; *SG*: Mr. Josep Ma. Cosan Nadal (re-elected); *Ms*: H.E. Mr. Joan Samara Vila and Messrs. Lluís Viu Torres, Antoni Garralla Rossell, Joan Albert Montane Teixé and Josep Areny Fiter.



AUSTRALIA

Congratulations to Australia's Olympic Team were entered in the Parliamentary Record when both Houses of the legislative body joined together to draw up a motion regarding the Olympic Games in general and applauding the athletes' performances in Los Angeles.



BELGIUM

Following the Games of the XXIIIrd Olympiad, members of the Belgian team were invited to a gala honoring their medallists and finalists. Prince

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Alexandre de Mérode, member of the IOC Executive Board, Colonel Raoul Mollet, President of the NOC of Belgium (COIB), and many government dignitaries were on hand to congratulate the athletes, each of whom received a small gift from the COIB.



BRUNEI



On the occasion of its meeting in Lausanne on 30th November 1984, the Executive Board of the IOC recognised the National Olympic Committee of the Sultanate of Brunei. This recognition brought the number of NOCs to one hundred and sixty.

The Sultanate is a Malayan Islamic monarchy which has been independent since 1st January 1984. A small enclave in the Malayan State of Sarawak on the north-west coast of the island of Borneo, Brunei has a population of around two-hundred and twenty thousand.

Composition of the Executive Board of the Brunei NOC : *PT*: H.R.H. Paduka Seri Pengiran Bendahara Seri Maharaja Permaisua Pengiran Muda Haji Sufri Bolkiah ibn Kebawah Duli Yang Teramat Mulia Paduka Seri Begawan Sultan Haji Sir Muda Omar Ali Saifuddien Sa'adul Khairi Waddien SG : Talib Haji Berudin.

Address : Welfare, Youth and Sports Department,
Bandar Seri Begawan/Brunei.
Cable : Kebajikan.



BULGARIA

Mr. Nicolai Andonov, Secretary General of the Bulgarian Olympic Committee since 1972, has been involved in sports and the Olympic Movement for many years as a participant in athletics and volleyball and as an administrator. In addition to his duties with the NOC, he is active in the Bulgarian Union of Physical Culture and Sports, serving as Vice-President since 1971. Born in October of 1938,

Mr. Andonov studied Bulgarian Literature at the University of Sofia and now occupies a position in the civil service. He has also written several articles on Olympism and related themes.



CHINA

To commemorate China's participation in the Games of the XXIIIrd Olympiad and in celebration of the nation's 35th anniversary, 30,000 sports stamps from China and many other countries were exhibited last summer in Beijing. The exhibition, sponsored by the Chinese Olympic Committee and the State Physical Culture and Sports Commission, featured a number of private collections, including contributions from well-known Chinese athletes, as well as those of various groups and institutions. As both stamp collecting and sports are extremely popular in the country, the exhibition was an overwhelming success and had to be extended for another week. On the final day, each visitor was asked to vote for the best set issued in China by dropping a coin in one of thirty numbered porcelain vases. Commemorative stamps of the 1980 Winter Games in Lake Placid and the 1984 Olympic Games at Los Angeles, both events in which China had participated for the first time since 1952, were among the favorites.





CYPRUS

New address of the Cyprus Olympic Committee :
19 Nikitara Street, P.O. Box 3931, Nicosia (CYP).
New telex number: 5300 OLYMPIC CY.



CONGO

"Sport everywhere, by all and for all"

The Congolese government has launched, under the aegis of the Minister for Youth and Sports, a large campaign : "Sport everywhere, by all and for all". This phenomenon is to go beyond the context of youth. Sport at work is becoming a necessity. The training of personnel, the creation of courses, the donation of scholarships and the organisation of information days in conjunction with the media are the main lines of action chosen by the Minister to bring physical and sporting activities to the mass of the people.

The search for a representative sports elite in Africa makes necessary, according to the Minister for Sports, Mr. Gabriel Oba-Apounou, an increase in the number of sports competitions and meetings. Considering the stagnation of the number of medals won by Africans, he would like to see athletes from the African continent as winners. From this observation, a sports policy was born which is based upon a rigorous organisation of sports for the masses, involving people from all walks of life, from the school child to the professor, from the soldier to the civil servant, from the worker to the artist. This consciousness-raising among the population was tried out experimentally in the form of a pilot scheme and in view of its success was expanded to a general campaign.



KOREA

Success of the 65th National Games
The 65th National Games came to an end on the

16th October last in Taegu, a city in the south of the peninsula, after six days of competitions in which teams from fourteen cities and provinces as well as teams from eight Korean communities abroad took part.

These six days of sport gave rise to spectacular performances : eighteen national records were beaten, twelve in track and field, three in swimming, two in weightlifting and one in cycling. Two junior records and five hundred and fourteen records established at previous meetings were also beaten.

For the first time, use could be made of data processing, thanks to the assistance of the Higher Institute of Sciences in Korea. All the results of previous Olympic and Asian Games had been stored in the memory of the computer, which made the information available to officials and journalists.

One of the six Koreans to win gold medals in Los Angeles, the judoka Ha Hyong-Zoo, was among the participants in this important and very popular sports event. Its oldest competitor was 74 years old. The President of the Korean Republic, Mr. Chun Doo-Hwan, who was present at the opening ceremony, warmly congratulated the organisers of the National Games, which, he said, contributed, by their celebration in the major cities of the country, to the popularity of sport and to regional development.



CUBA

The observance of «Fisminutos Escolares» - short breaks for physical activity - has been instituted in Cuban primary schools. Described in a methodology booklet distributed to the teachers, the "Fisminutos" consist of a maximum of five minutes of simple exercises to be done in the classroom to avoid mental fatigue.



DENMARK

Mr. Elo Tostenaes, born in 1935, has been elected Secretary General of the Danish NOC following the

resignation of Mr. Arne Garnell. Mr. Tostenaes is an industrialist who also achieved a high-level sports career. Six times Danish and twice Scandinavian rowing champion, he took part in the Olympic



Games not only as a rower at the Games of XVIth and XVIIth Olympiads in 1956 and 1960, but also as a judge at those of the XXIInd and XXIIIrd Olympiads in 1980 and 1984. For fifteen years, he was Chairman of the judges' committee within the Danish

rowing federation. His favourite hobbies are camping, music and philately.

tionale de Ski and the Consejo Superior de Deportes (Higher Sports Council).

Although he is a great promotor of winter sports in Spain, a serious car accident prevented him from travelling to Sarajevo to support his country's skiers at the XIVth Winter Games. He did, however, accompany the Spanish team to Los Angeles in his new capacity as NOC President.

Assistant Director General of the Banco Exterior de España, to which he came via his studies in the fields of political science and economics, he has held the post of Spanish Ambassador to Sweden and is a former Chairman of the Hispanic Culture Institute (Instituto de Cultura Hispánica).

□ New address of the Spanish Olympic Committee : Núñez de Balboa, 120, 28006 Madrid (ESP).



DJIBOUTI

Djibouti Olympic Committee (DJI)

Cité Ministérielle, B.P. 16, Djibouti.

Telephone : 35 09 97 ; Telex : PRESIDEN 5871 DJ.

Officers : PT : Mr. Mohamed Djama Elebe ; VPT : Mr. Ismail Gueddi ; SG : Mr. Hassan Idriss Ahmed ; T : Mr. Houssein Ahmed God ; *Hon. PT*: Mr. Barkat Gourad Hamadou.



SPAIN

H.R.H. Alfonso de Borbon, duke of Cádiz, 48 years old, elected President of the NOC in July 1984, is a personality in the Spanish sporting world.

Former skiing champion of Spain and Castille, eight times a prize winner in the Spanish University championships, he was Chairman



of the National Sports Federation and today belongs to the executive council of the Federation Interna-



UNITED STATES

The athlete Edwin Moses and the swimmer Tracy Caulkins were chosen best sportsman and sportswoman of the year by the USOC.

Edwin Moses, 29 years old, won the gold medal in the 400 m hurdles at the Olympic Games in Los Angeles, a repetition eight years later of his achievement in the final at the Olympic Games in Montreal. World record holder over the 400 m hurdles with a time of 42"02, he was the winner of the last ninety-four finals in which he took part.

Tracy Caulkins, 21 years old, won three gold medals in Los Angeles in the 200 and 400 individual medleys and the 4 x 100 medley relay.

Other Olympic champions of 1984 also received honours in their own disciplines, from skiers Bill Johnson and Debbie Armstrong to gymnasts Peter Vidmar and Mary Lou Retton, not forgetting cyclists Alexi Grewal and Connie Carpenter and boxer Paul Gonzales.

□ Mr. Harry L. Usher, 45, will become Commissioner of the United States Football League (USFL) in February for a three-year term. Former Vice-President and General Manager of the Los Angeles Olympic Organising Committee (LAOOC) for the Games of the XXIIIrd Olympiad, Mr. Usher is an attorney specialising in entertainment law.



ETHIOPIA

New members of the Ethiopian Olympic Committee Executive Committee elected during their General Assembly on 29th December 1984 : *PT*: Mr. Tsegaw Ayele ; *1st VPT*: Dr. Mekonen Jemaneh ; *2nd VPT*: Mr. Iyassu Immetu ; *SG* : Mr. Tesfaye Shafo; *Ms* : Messrs. Kassa G. Giorgis and Hailu Baltcha, Colonels Bekele Tadesse and Tadesse Abdissa, Messrs. Tefera Mekonen, Yohannes Asrat, Shiferaw Dembi, Tesfaye Shiferaw, Mrs. Yehualshet Sirgu, and Mr. Brhanu Abera. Mr. Ydnekatchew Tessema, IOC member in Ethiopia, is also a member of the executive body.

FINLAND

The new Executive Board of the Finnish Olympic Committee, elected 10th December 1984 for a term of four years, consists of : *PT*: Mr. Carl-Olaf Homén ; *VPTs* : Messrs. Matti Ahde, Hannu Koskivuori and Seppo Kylmänen ; *SC* : Mr. Kosti Rasinperä (reelected) ; Council Chair. : Mr. Jukka Uunila and Deputy Chairman : Mr. Kosti Kyhä.

□ Marja-Liisa Kirviesnemi-Hämäläinen, Olympic Champion in the 5, 10 and 20 km Nordic Ski competitions has been designated as the Finnish Athlete of the Year.



FRANCE

Mr. Alain Danet is taking over from Mr. Roger Ménard as President of the Racing Club of France.

Born on the 24th June, 1931, Alain Danet is the son and grandson of a President and Vice-President of the Racing Club. French military champion in athletics over 400 m, an excellent swimmer and fencer, he became an international player in field hockey, his favourite discipline. He was President of the French field-hockey federation from 1962 until 1967, then from 1973 until 1980. Today, he leads the European federation in this sport.

A barrister and a journalist, Alain Danet is responsible for the international relations of the Comité National Olympique et Sportif Français, of which he has been Secretary General and Vice President.

□ It was with great pleasure that we learned that Mr. Robert Parienté has been made a Chevalier de la Legion d'honneur. Editor in Chief of the French daily paper "L'Equipe" since 1980, Robert Parienté has risen to the top of the newspaper world since 1954, when he began his career as athletics editor. He is the author of a remarkable "Histoire fabuleuse de l'athlétisme" (the wonderful history of athletics). In his "Histoire fabuleuse des Jeux Olympiques" (the wonderful history of the Olympic Games), part of the same series and written together with Guy



Lagorce, he gave expression to his great enthusiasm for the Games.

The "Olympic Review", to which he contributes well-researched, detailed and lively articles, extends to him its most sincere congratulations.

□ The third Paris-Olympia relay will take place between the 30th of March and the 13th of April, 1985. This non-stop race will take ten teams of runners from France to Greece via Switzerland, where it is envisaged that they will make a stop in Lausanne at the headquarters of the IOC, and through Italy. The runners will be able to rest on the boat which will take them across the straits of Otranto between Italy and Greece.

For further information, please contact: Mr. Marc Bouet, Paris-Olympia Committee, 6, résidence les Coteaux, 91400 Orsay. Tel. : 33.6.446.18.66 or 33.1.328.76.34.

GAMBIA

New address of the Gambia National Olympic Committee and Commonwealth Games Association : Independance Stadium, P. O. Box 666, Bakau, Kombo Saint Mary Division (CAM).

New telephone and telex numbers are (220) 345 and 2221 GV, respectively.



GREAT BRITAIN

"Growing children in competitive sport" will be the theme of the First International Congress organised by the British Association of National Coaches (BANC) in Birmingham (GBR) from the 20th to the 25th March.

All requests for information should be addressed to :

Mr. F.W. Dick, The British Association of National Coaches,
Westgate House, Chalk Lane, Epsom, Surrey - GBR.

□ The new telephone number of the British Olympic Association (BOA) is : 01 871 2677. (This number replaces 874 4764/9034/9753. The remaining numbers and private lines remain unchanged).



HUNGARY

Sports books

The discovery of sport through its literature. An introduction to great works and encounters with the writers and poets who were passionately interested in the subject. The great exhibition «Sport and literature - 1945-1983» in the museum of Physical Education and Sports in Budapest has put on show of publications on the subject of sport: one thousand, nine hundred and fifty six works were published since the end of the Second World War, seventy eight of them in the year 1983, which was the most prolific. A chain of critical ideas on the subject of sport as an activity and as a philosophy, reflecting its vitality.

□ The second European conference on the history of sport will be held in Budapest from the 28th July to the 2nd August 1985. The principal theme will be : the promotion of the development of institutional forms of historical sports documentation in Europe. The participants will be able to analyse the present situation and work out a future programme of action in the course of plenary sessions dealing with subjects such as: the bibliography of the history of sport, archives, the chronological history

of sport and the history of international university sport. For further information, write to: Prof. Dr. László Kutassi, H-1525 Budapest, Pf 69. The deadline for applications is the 23rd February and for the submission of papers the 31st March 1985.



IRAN

Hasan Ghafoori Fard, 41 years old, the new President of the NOC elected on the 1st of August 1984, is a versatile sportsman who has distinguished himself in many disciplines: swimming, volleyball, football, table tennis. He also took part in several Greco-Roman and freestyle wrestling competitions, winning three first places in the Tehran University championships.

Greatly concerned about the positive development of sports education for the young, he has by his actions, already achieved results in the organisation and construction of reception centres to further the advance of sporting activities in the various regions of his country.

A doctor of nuclear physics. He currently occupies the Post of Energy Minister.



IRAQ

The new Secretary General of the Iraqi National Olympic Committee is Mr. Itham Abid Mhaimid.



IRELAND

The National Sports Council of Ireland, COSPOIR, is planning a Youth Sports Week in celebration of the

International Youth Year designated by the United Nations. Scheduled to take place from 24th until 36th June, this special week will involve coordinated efforts of numerous organizations at all levels to provide a full program of activities and events. It is expected that its planning and execution will create many temporary employment opportunities for Ireland's youth.

□ Entitled "Building a Reality", the Irish National Plan for 1985-1987 calls for the establishment of a national lottery to generate additional funds, a portion of which will be allocated to the promotion of sport. The government is currently studying possible methods of organizing and implementing their plan.



ICELAND

"The Olympic Games"

Gisli Halldorsson, President of the NOC, considers that the athletes of his country have never been better than in the Winter Olympic Games in Sarajevo and the Games of the XXIIIrd Olympiad in Los Angeles. However, this success should not prevent the pursuit of actions to promote and support future champions. He thanks all those who through their financial contributions enabled Iceland to send its best athletes to the Olympic Games. He expressed appreciation for the "Herculean" efforts of the President of the IOC, who, during the past four years, travelled all over the world spreading the Olympic ideal. The Icelandic NOC is particularly grateful to him for having acted personally in allocating a grant permitting athletes from this country to take part in the Los Angeles Games. For Mr. Gisli Halldorsson, the Olympic ideal is not dead: the opening ceremony demonstrated this to television viewers worldwide.

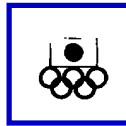


ITALY

Thousands of sport and film-lovers attended the 40th International Sport Film Festival in Turin from

3rd until 8th December. Sponsored by the Italian Olympic Committee (CONI) and the Italian Sports Journalistic Agency (AGIS), the festival program offered several events including an "Olympics of Animation", special showings in schools of films for younger audiences and, most popular, a retrospective series entitled "When a Champion Becomes a Star".

The featured City of Turin prize was given to the best documentary movie "Gens du sud autour du monde", produced in Canada. A Chinese film on the Fifth National Games received the second prize. "From Helsinki to Los Angeles", a film from Italy, was awarded the bronze medal by the distinguished jury. Other awards presented included the CONI Cinematography Center Chiesa prize and the prize of the Province of Turin given to "I giochi siamo noi" (ITA) and "Gli eredi del duello" (ITA), respectively.



JAPAN

The Olympic judo champion in the open category, *Yasuhiro Yamashita*, was elected best Japanese amateur sportsman of 1984 by a thirteen-member jury in Tokyo.

The jury also recognized the achievements of gymnast Koji Gushiken, gold medallist in the men's combined exercises competition at Los Angeles, by giving him a special Olympic distinction.

□ The 19th Fukuoka marathon was run on 1st December with 149 competitors from 19 countries. Both first and second place belonged to Japanese runners, Takeyuki Nakayama and Taisuke Kodama, who finished the race in 2 h 10' and 2 h 10'36", respectively. Michael Heilmann (GDR) was third at 2 h 10'49".



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MALAYSIA

Telex number of the Olympic Council of Malaysia : NOCMAL - MA 30644.



MALTA

Telex number of the Malta Olympic Committee: MW (406) 1260. Additional telephone numbers : (356) 26033 and 22148 (evenings).



MOROCCO

Nawal El Moutawakil was elected athlete of the year, leading the standings in "Jeux d'Afrique", the African sports monthly.

Olympic champion and Olympic record holder in the 400 m hurdles with a time of 54"61, she has



inherited the title of "Champion of Champions" from another Moroccan athlete, Said Aouita, 5000 m champion in the Games of XXIIIrd Olympiad.

The first African woman to have a place in these annual standings, Nawal El Moutawakil symbolises the ascendance of women's sport in Africa and the Arab countries.

The leading three: 1. Nawal El Moutawakil (MAR), athletics ; 2. Said Aouita (MAR), athletics ; 3. Gabriel Tiacoh (CIV), athletics.



MAURITIUS

Mr. Jean-Roland Delaître, 52 years old, President of the Mauritius Olympic Committee, was reelected in 1983 to a further four year term.

The Director General of radio and television on the island of Mauritius, he devotes himself in his spare time to the development of sport in Mauritius in spite of his manifold duties as a man of the press, frequently called upon to make visits to Europe.

His essential role as President of the Sports Confederation, his work within the National Cycling Federation, over which he presides, and as a member of the African Swimming and Athletic Confederations, his founding of the International Council of the Games of the Islands of the Indian Ocean, of which he is still the President, all bear witness to his obvious desire to increase the sporting possibilities in this part of the world.

A sportsman himself, he has a brilliant boxing career to his credit: Junior Champion and senior finalist in the Royal College championships.

Today, Mr. Delaître, who was also goalkeeper in one of the island's first-division football clubs, still finds a little time to write sports articles in Mauritian and international newspapers.



OMAN

Telephone numbers of the National Olympic Committee of Oman: 103292 and 703277. New telex number: 3532 SHABAB. Cables should be addressed to : P.O. Box 211, Muscat.



PAPUA NEW GUINEA

New address of the Papua New Guinea Olympic Committee, Commonwealth Games Association and Amateur Sports Federation : P.O. Box 467, Boroko, (NGU).

Telephone number: 252 300.



PHILIPPINES

On 9th January. members of the Philippine Olympic Committee elected their new officers for, the 1985-1989 term.

PT: Governor Jose C. Sering ; *1st VPF* : Lt Gen. Fidel V. Ramos ; *2nd VPT* : Colonel Irwin P. Ver ; *SG* : Gov. Francisco G. Almeda ; *T* : Mr. Celso L. Dayrit

PARAGUAY

The creation of a National Olympic Academy is a top priority of the Paraguayan Olympic Committee (COP). This was affirmed by Mr. Adriano Jara Carmona, COP President, at a meeting in January during which plans for the future were discussed. Mr. Carmona stated that the establishment of such an institution would be a "significant gain for the Olympic Movement in the country": and that cooperation with other sports leaders of the world was essential to its development.



THE NETHERLANDS

The Netherlands. Sports Federation (NSF) held a symposium last October in Papondal on the theme "The Development of Sport in the Eighties". A number of European sports leaders attended, among them Mr. Thomas Keller (SUI), President of Rowing Federation (FISA) and the General Association of International Sports Federations (AGFIS), Dr. Willi Weyer, President of the German Sports Federation (DSB) and Mr. Antonin Petrovitsj Sereda, Vice-President of the USSR Olympic Committee.

The symposium participants examined social, economic and demographic factors which might affect the future development of sport, the possibility of more European cooperation with and aid to developing countries, and the "Sport for All" movement

POLAND

Additional telephone numbers of the Polish Olympic Committee : 28 50 38, 28 49 71, and 21 27 57:



PORTUGAL

To celebrate the 90th anniversary of the IOC, the Portuguese Olympic Committee organised on the 20th of December last a solemn ceremony during the course of which professor Fernando Ferreira, winner of the Olympic journalism prize awarded by the Portuguese NOC, gave a speech on the theme : "From the Sorbonne 1894 to Los Angeles 1984 ; from Pierre de Coubertin to Juan Antonio Samaranch."

On the occasion of this ceremony, those who participated in the Los Angeles Games were presented with the diplomas awarded by the LAOOC.



GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

The National Olympic Committee of the GDR held its annual general meeting on 19th November in Berlin. The two principal topics of discussion were the preparations for the 90th Session of the IOC, to take place there this June and the outcomes of the ANOC, General' Assembly convened earlier that month in Mexico.

The President of the NOC, Mr. Manfred Ewald, in his keynote address, extolled the achievements in' sports of 1984 and called for all athletes to, prepare for the Olympic Games at Seoul "with unwavering persistence and in a truly Olympic spirit'.



SENEGAL

New address of the Senegalese National Olympic' and Sports Committee : 72, bd de la République, B. P. 356, Dakar (SEN).



SIERRA LEONE

The new telephone and telex numbers of the Sierra Leone Olympic and Overseas Games Committee are 41340 and 3512 SLAFA, respectively.

The composition of the executive body is as follows : *PT*: Dr. T. F. Hope ; *VPT*: Mr. Sam L. Sesay ; *SC*: Mr. E. B. Wallace-Johnson.; *T*: Miss Stella Amara.



SWEDEN

Mr. Wolf Lyberg has succeeded Mr. Bo Bengtson as Secretary General of the Swedish Olympic Committee. The composition of the Executive Committee is now as follows:

PT: H.R.H. Prince Bertil ; *Chairman of the Ex. Comm.* : Mr. Carl-Gustav Anderberg ; *SG* : Mr. Wolf

Lyberg ; *T*: Mr. Allan Adolfsson ; *Ms* : Messrs. Stig Synnergren, Georg Pettersson, Stig Pettersson, Björn Rosengren, Gösta Gärdin, Karl Frithiofson, Ulla Berg, Leif Forsberg, and Sven von Holst.



SWITZERLAND

100 years of Winter Sports in Switzerland

Hundreds of special events' have been organised this winter in Switzerland, to commemorate' the 100th anniversary of the opening of the Cresta Run in St-Moritz, which is still the fastest luge course in the world. Various winter sports areas and implantations will be featuring parades, special tournaments (such as golf and polo the snow, exhibitions and courses through the end of April).



TANZANIA

Because of its popularity, volleyball was first on the agenda for the "Sport for All" project inaugurated last March in Tanzania by the Norwegian Confederation of Sports. Jointly sponsored by the Norwegian Development Agency (NORAD), this three-year' program was established to help promote the general development of sport in the country.

A fairly significant amount of the Tanzanian people play volleyball: almost always on outdoor, courts, often with hand-knotted nets and even sometimes with homemade balls of plastic and paper bags. The shortage of balls was one of the



main obstacles to the furtherance of the sport cited by Mr. Raymond Wardenaar (NOR), a volleyball specialist who recently travelled to Tanzania at the invitation of the project.

Mr. Wardenauer gave a 7-day seminar in which 47 teachers and representatives of the national volleyball association took part



CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Mr. Antonin Himl, who is now entering his thirteenth year as President of the Czechoslovak Olympic Committee, has made a career of serving youth and the sports movement' in his country. Highly interested in "Sport for the Masses", he chairs the IOC Working Group on that subject. In addition, he is presently Secretary of the Czechoslovak Socialist Youth Union; as well as President of the national Association of Physical Culture and Sports. Many of his articles and essays on themes related to sports have been published in various journals. Born in 1933 and educated in the social sciences, Mr. Himl, an avid sportsman, has played football, basketball and ice hockey at the national level.



THAILAND

Air Chief Marshal Dawee Chullasapya, IOC member in Thailand, was reelected President of the Thailand National Olympic Committee on 11th October 1984. Other officers elected on the same date are : 1st VPT: General Tern Homsettee ; 2nd VPT: General Tienchai Sirisampan ; 3rd VPT: Colonel Anu Romyanond ; SC : Colonel Charouck Arirachakaran ; Asst. SGs : Drs. Nat Indrapana and Sakchye Tapsuwan ; T: Mr. Santiparb Tejavanija.

Colonel Charouck Arirachakaran, the new Secretary General, has had a long and successful military career ; he presently holds the position of Chief of Military Sports for the Royal Thai Armed Forces., Also a Council Member 'of the Asian Athletic Association, he

himself enjoys a number of sports, especially badminton, tennis and golf..



TURKEY

New telex number of the Turkish Olympic Committee : 26684 TMOK-TR.



USSR

Sergei Bubka, world pole-vault record holder (5.94 m) has been elected athlete of the year by the daily newspaper "La Pravda".

□ An international seminar, organised by the Association Internationale de la Presse Sportive (AIPS) and the USSR Federation of Sports Journalists was held recently in Moscow. The theme of the discussions. was the role and the influence of the sports press in a world in constant tension.

□ Mr. Albert Leikin, Secretary General of the USSR Sports Journalists Federation celebrates his 69th birthday on 18th February. Author of publications on the Olympic Games in Montreal, Lake Placid and Moscow; as well as an Olympic history of Hockey, Mr. Leikin has been honored. by the International Sports Press Association (AIPS) and the International Hockey Federation and remains active in both organisations.



URUGUAY

New telex number of the Uruguayan Olympic Committee : COURU UY 23026.



YUGOSLAVIA

At its meeting on the 21st December, 1984, the Yugoslavian Olympic Committee decided to create a National Olympic Academy.

The statutes and the -activities of this new cultural and Olympic institution: are still under consideration, but its inauguration is already scheduled for the 9th February; Present at the ceremony was H.E. Mr. Juan Antonio Samaranch, who has accepted the invitation to become its Honorary President

