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AN EVENTFUL TRIP TO THE USA

With the 19th Winter Olympic Games taking place in Salt Lake City, I took the opportunity to make a fortnight's trip to the United States of America.

I experienced, in the company of my IOC colleagues, moments of great joy during these magnificent Winter Games. On (and occasionally above!) the ice and snow, outstanding sportsmen and women generously magnified the true values of the Olympics.

The cold temperatures could not freeze the ardent and vibrant hope inherent in mankind's endless quest for excellence that is the essence of the Olympic spirit.

I had this thought always in my mind since the role of the winter Olympics melts harmoniously into the role of the first discipline of the summer Games, athletics.

Obviously, because of my presence in Salt Lake, athletics was present in people's minds, which is not surprising because our sport is never indifferent to anyone whether in competition arenas or anywhere else. It is always pleasant to be approached and asked about the strengths, and weaknesses, of sport. Our movement stressed its mission, its vision and its style during the last IAAF Congress in Edmonton.

We agreed that no problem should be left without an efficient and long lasting solution. We, therefore, must all strive to accomplish our tasks, and although each of us must remain in our respective domains we should be mindful of the synergy that respects communal decisions and ensures that perceived obstacles are merely words.

I did not fail to pass the word on to my American hosts and especially to Michael Bloomberg, the Mayor of New York, a city which was badly hurt but



has shown its courage and will to survive.

I was delighted to visit the famous Verizon Millrose Games for the first time, and realised that a great international competition really deserves to be organised in a country that has given our sport so many champions.

The very profitable conversations I had with my colleague on the Council Bob Hersh and with the CEO of USATF Craig Masback, showed me real prospects for the development of track and field, so long as IAAF rules are constantly respected.

I was also pleased to attend an amazing high school meeting, one of no less than 89 which are organised every winter, in the Armory Track and Field Centre. This amazing building has been

Lamine Diack with Dr Norbert Sander - the man behind the renaissance of New York City's Armory

great heart and passion by Dr Norbert Sander, a former athlete himself.

Our interest for this age group, in the USA and in other continents, is the best guarantee of the survival of our sport and for the continuous diffusion of its universal values.

I headed back to Europe full of satisfaction and hope for the future and am now looking forward to the first IAAF World Athletic Series event in Dublin - the IAAF Sport Ireland World Cross Country Championships.

From the General Secretary

A NEW START AT IAAF HEADQUARTERS

On 13 February 2000 the IAAF Council decided to evaluate the organisation and structure of the IAAF, including the structure and processes of our office. A little less than two years later, the "New Structure", after having been approved by Council including also the final moves mandated to the President in liaison with the General Secretary, is now operational

The organigram published on the next page are the final result of long, meticulous, often painstaking and difficult analysis, discussions and deliberations.

The basic goal, set by Council in November 2000 has been to improve our performance and capacities in four areas:-

- Events and Marketing;
- Member Services;
- Communication;
- Corporate Services.

Several appointments were made with the objective to ensure a smooth transition towards a more efficient and professional organisation.

In the Events and Marketing Department, it was originally foreseen to engage a Marketing Manager. However, it was felt that with Dentsu/AMS, IAAF General Director Pierre Weiss and Sue Richardson, plus IAAF Vice

Chairman Helmut Digel, it would be a better solution not to hire a high-profile executive, but to promote Sue Richardson to Marketing Coordinator.

The former Competition Department will now be the Competition Division within the Events and Marketing Department and Sandro Giovannelli's title of Competitions Director remains unchanged. Ernest Obeng has been promoted to Head of Broadcasting, assisted by Polly Wright.

As for the Member Services Department, the new Director is Bjorn Wangemann, who was Director of the Development Department between 1987 and the end of 2001.

In the Communications Department, the new Director is Nick Davies, who has been with the IAAF since 1992, and his deputy is Anna Legnani, another extremely experienced specialist.

Three new department members have also been recruited, Secretary Virginie Ocquidant, Nathalie Renevier-Durot who has also just started working as Office Coordinator, and Chris Turner, the Editorial Manager, who will join us on 4 March 2002.

In Corporate Services, Roberto Outeirino's mandate will expire at the end of the current year. From 1st January 2003, his newly appointed Deputy Charline Hering will take over as Corporate Services Director.

With the finalisation of the New Structure, a long and difficult period is behind us. I would like to emphasise that this is a new era, with new challenges and chances for all of us within the IAAF.

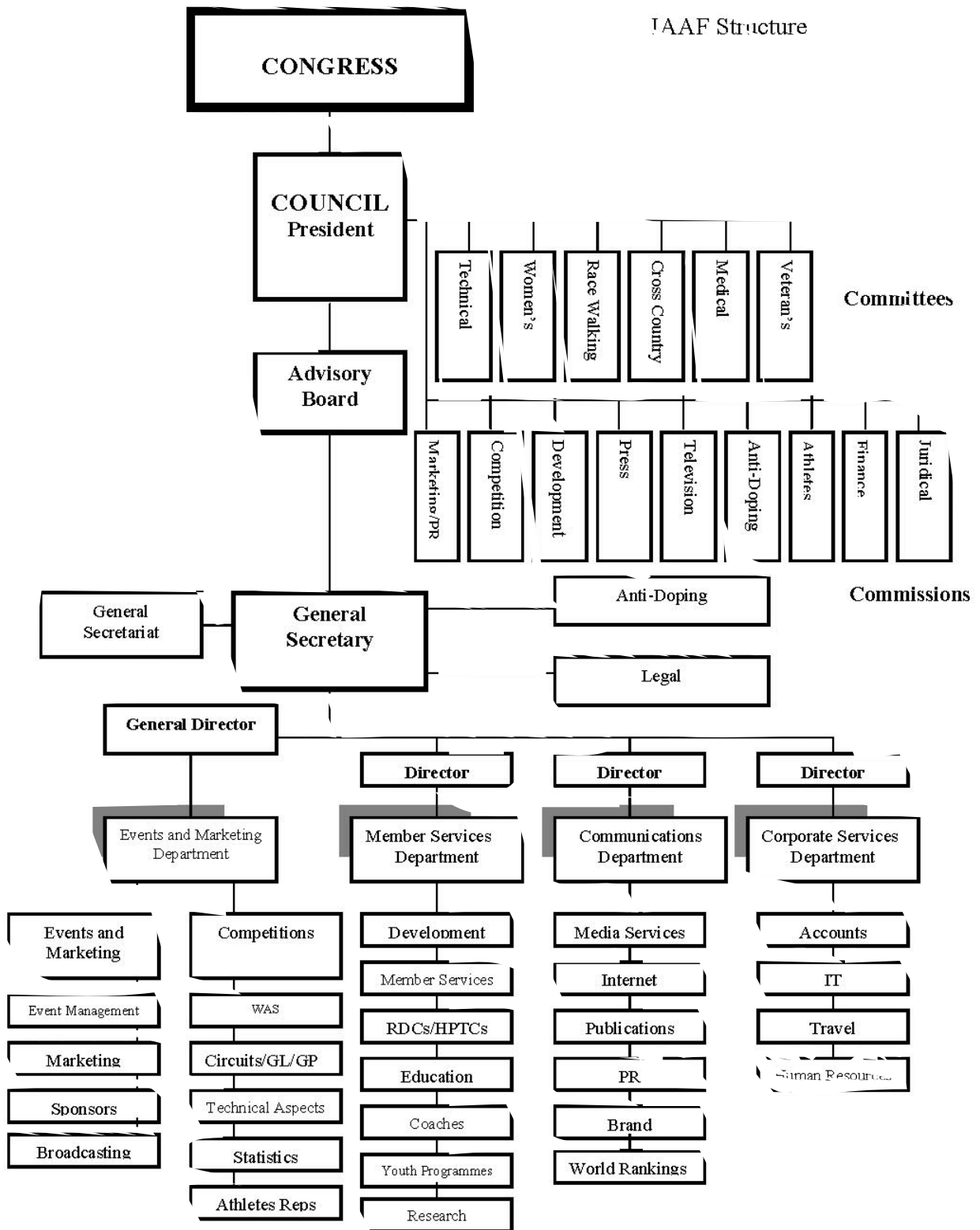
The staff are dedicated, ambitious, efficient and professional and all looking forward to serving the cause of the sport in the years to come.

Istvan Gyulai
General Secretary



From top to bottom, IAAF General Secretary Istvan Gyulai, IAAF General Director Pierre Weiss, Corporate Services Director Roberto Outeirino, Member Services Director Bjorn Wangemann, Competitions Director Sandro Giovannelli and Communications Director Nick Davies

IAAF Structure



And the 2005 Winner is...Helsinki!

Just over a month ago, the IAAF Council selected Helsinki to be the venue for the 2005 World Championships in Athletics.

Some observers were surprised by the council's choice, yet on close examination it is clear that our Finnish friends are certain to provide us with an event that is tailored for the athletes.

It is a country where athletics is the number 1 summer sport. The stadium - which seats 42,000 at present - is certain to be sold out, and to knowledgeable fans whose support of the athletes is bound to inspire them to great performances.

Helsinki is also a city of human scale where most facilities are within walking distance and even the Athletes' Village, which is set in beautiful surroundings by the sea, is less than 10 minutes from the stadium.

In Helsinki, the TV images that will be broadcast around the world to promote our sport, will come from the company YLE, specialists in athletics who have provided athletics coverage at every Olympic Games since 1988. In brief, the IAAF has opted for a safe pair of hands.



Four times Olympic gold medallist **LASSE VIREN** (centre) with fellow members of the successful Helsinki 2005 bid committee

But as well as congratulating the successful candidate, I would like to sincerely thank the other five contestants: Berlin, Brussels, Budapest, Moscow and Rome. All of them fought a clean fight and, I hope, will consider applying again in the future for this event.

Each of the cities had unique qualities. There were arguments in favour of each venue, but in the democratic process there could only be one winner.

Helsinki has a lot to live up to, but I am confident that the Finnish people, and the

organising team, will rise to the challenge.

The Council's visit to Nairobi also gave us the opportunity to visit a special man – Kipchoge (“Kip”) Keino - in a special place - Eldoret.

The IAAF delegation visited the Kenyan highlands to officially inaugurate the new High Performance Training Centre, just next to Kip Keino's Orphanage. But actually, the trip was about acknowledging the contribution of Kenyan athletes to the development of our sport, and returning the love of one great man.

If one person was ever responsible for putting Africa on the sporting map, then his name is Kip Keino. Every great runner to emerge from that



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continent owes a debt to the trail-blazer who won Olympic gold at 1500m in 1968, in a record time of 3:34.9 despite the high altitude of Mexico City. Kip also won Olympic gold in the steeplechase in 1972 and set world records at 3000m and 5000m. He showed the world what African runners were capable of. Yet as his fame grew, his only desire was to help others. Confronted by the distressing sight of abandoned children in his native Eldoret over 25 years ago, Kip took them into his own house and gave them not only his name, but a chance to make something of their lives.

Today, the Kip Keino Orphanage has over 80 youngsters. Over the years while many of the children

have gone on to graduate from college, all of them have benefited from the loving attention of Kip and his wife, Phyllis. But while setting up the orphanage and adjacent farm may have been a life's project for most people, Kip has now built a wonderfully equipped school - which is open not only to his orphans but to local children, regardless of their financial means.

The day he greeted us in Eldoret, flanked by magnificent runners like Mike Boit, Yobes Ondieki, Moses Kiptanui, Moses Tanui and Noah Ngeny (to name just a few!) Kip was walking with the aid of a cane.

Why? Because he had run the London Marathon the day before to raise money for charity. And not only had Kip completed the gruelling 42.195 kilometres but he had then hopped on to a plane to be

certain to be back in time to greet us. Yet although he was in discomfort, a smile was never far from his face. Kip ran London as a thank you to Oxfam, not to show how fit he still is at 62.

When I think about Kip Keino - I think not about the runner but about the man. His human qualities are beyond medals and records. He teaches us to fight hard and honestly for all of life's rewards, and that the best reward comes from helping those in need. "I arrived on this earth with nothing, and I will leave with nothing," he says with a characteristic smile. On behalf of the IAAF, I salute you Kip.

Lamine Diack
IAAF President

WORLD RECORDS

<p>Recently Ratified - Women: 3000m 8:29.15 Berhane Adere ETH Stuttgart 3 Feb 02 Pole Vault 4.74 Svetlana Feofanova, RUS Liévin 24 Feb 02 Men (Junior): 3000m 7:30.67 Kenenisa Bekele ETH (82) Bruxelles 24 Aug 01</p>	<p>Women (Junior): 3000m SC 10:04.99 Ulla Tuimala FIN (82) Goteborg 2 Sep 01 Pending Ratification - Women: 800m 1:55.82 Jolanda Ceplak SLO Wien 3 Mar 02 Pole Vault 4.75 Svetlana Feofanova RUS Wien 3 Mar 02</p>
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IN MEMORIUM

Mr. **Karamoko Fofana**, 16 April 2002 - Ivory Coast - long time General Secretary of Region 11 of the African Confederation of Athletics. Fofana was notably one of the first International Technical Officials (ITO's). Council Member Jamel Simohamed (ALG) was the official IAAF representative at the funeral.

Mr. **Rohan Amarasinghe**, 26 April 2002 - Sri Lanka - Athletics Secretary General, died of a heart attack. His funeral took place on Thursday 2 May in Colombo. One of the island's leading sports administrators, Amarasinghe was also Secretary General of the Asian Athletic Championship Secretariat in Colombo at the time of his death.

Admiral **Pedro Galvez**, 2 May 2002 - Peru - Honorary Life Personal member of the IAAF in Lima, Peru.

The Honourable **Ishaya Mark Aku**, 6 May 2002 - Nigeria - one of the three African representatives of WADA was tragically killed in an air crash on 4 May 2002 in Nigeria. Ishaya Mark Aku was serving as Nigeria's Minister of Sport and Social Development.

Mr. **Tom Moore**, 10 May 2002 - USA - Modesto Relays Meet Director. Official starter at Modesto Relays since inception of the meeting in 1942. Former record breaking athlete.

Mr. **Graeme Briggs**, 11 May 2002 - Australia - former President of Athletics Tasmania and Athletics Australia. Member of the Order of Australia.

IAAF COUNCIL AGREE KEY CHANGES TO COMPETITION STRUCTURE

The **IAAF Council, which met in Nairobi, 13/14 April 2002**, worked its way through a charged agenda and made a number of decisions in addition to confirming the venue for the 2005 IAAF World Championships in Athletics.

The most important among the Council's decisions was the adoption of a new **Competition Structure for 2003**, to replace the current Grand Prix.

While the Golden League, IAAF Super Grand Prix, Grand Prix and a new Grand Prix II category (that will replace the previous Permit Meetings), remain, the groundbreaking decision was to use the IAAF World Rankings as entry criteria for what will be the new Grand Prix Final (the likely name will be World Athletics Gala). This means that athletes

will also be able to "earn" points in all major athletics events like the Olympics and World Championships, Continental Championships and Games, and the points will be weighted depending on the status of the event.

The Overall Grand Prix will be replaced with financial awards to the men and women (first to third) heading the Overall Rankings and selected as Athletes of the Year.

Another major decision by Council was to accelerate the introduction to the IAAF World Athletics Series of the **Women's Steeplechase**. Council decided that this event, which was originally scheduled for introduction as an event at the IAAF World Championships in Athletics in 2007, would in fact be introduced for the first time over a

shorter distance of 2000 metres at the 2004 edition of the World Junior Championships. The senior women's full 3000m event will be staged at the 2005 World Championships.

Council agreed to introduce a **Race Walking circuit** each year, starting in 2003, to help promote race walking. Although the details will be finalised in the near future, it was agreed that the circuit would be composed of six meetings and prize money would be available. It was also agreed that the Competitions Commission would study a way to introduce Junior events at the IAAF World Race Walking Cup starting, if possible, in 2004.

The next meeting of IAAF Council will take place in Paris, France, on 3-4 July 2002.

Your opinion counts...

As a result of the discussions and debates of the Cross Country Committee which met in Dublin in March, Council also approved, in principle, to recognize "**IAAF World Best Performances for Road Races**" for 10km, 15km, 20km, Half Marathon, 25km, 30km, Marathon, 100km and Road Relay, with the criteria for deciding such standards to be finalised at the next Council meeting. So why don't you add your weight to the debate too? Go to the Official IAAF internet site - www.iaaf.org - and post your opinion in the Discussion Forums.

To set the discussion rolling, the renowned statistician Mark Butler points out that the possible criteria are many and various: "one area which needs thorough clarification is that of assistance during the race. It is one thing for women to race with men. It is another for them to have help for the entire race, not just with pace but also with wind shelter and the handling of drinks."

"Opponents of the move to recognise road times, note that there is too much variation in types of courses....but providing the road course is accurately measured and fulfils the clear criteria, I can't see the harm in giving world best status to marks set on those courses...." **Let the debate continue...!**

Istvan Gyulai

ITOs

Council nominated 2 additional members of the IAAF **International Technical Officials** (ITOs) Panel 2002-2005: Ruben Aguilera (ARG) and Roberto Apaceiro (CUB). This panel is now composed of 39 members.

ATOs

Council ratified the addition of ten more African judges to the Panel of **Area Technical Officials** (ATOs) after a course held in December 2001 in the Nairobi Regional Development Centre (RDC): David Clarke (ZIM); Gerrit Coetzer (RSA); Berty Dimba (MRI); Madgalalene Human (RSA); Mohunlall Hurnaum (MRI); Masondo Makhehla (RSA); Pauline Murumba (KEN); Siphathiswe Nachaya (ZIM); Ghangadaram Seeneyen (MRI).

TRANSFERS IN ALLEGIANCE

The following changes of allegiance were noted by Council: Enezenaide GOMES: CPV to POR
Luevi DOVY: GAB to FRA; Colleen DeREUCK: RSA to USA; Irba LAKHAL: MAR to FRA

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What have been the greatest moments in athletics history?

Wherever you live in the world it is naturally a very subjective topic of conversation dependent as much on a person's generation as personal preferences for a particular athlete or an event. Yet to the **five million population of Finland**, in particular the residents of the Finnish capital Helsinki the subject is undoubtedly more complex as **the first hand memories of the sport run so deep.**

Not forgetting the 1952 "Zatopek" Olympics, **the Finns have also managed to attract major athletics championships to Helsinki in each of the last four decades** beginning with the 1971 Europeans, 1983 World Championships, the 1994 European Championships, and now since the IAAF Council's announcement in Nairobi, the 2005 IAAF World championships in athletics.

Just as the **1952 Olympics** were marked by the quadruple gold medals of the Zatopek family Emil and Dana, so each of the following major championships has also become associated with many memorable moments in athletics history.

1971 brought the beginning of the Finnish distance running renaissance when the spikes of Juha Vaatainen lifted the 5000m and 10,000m double at the European Championships. **In 1983, the inaugural IAAF World Championships** witnessed the major championship arrival of America's Carl Lewis with a three gold medal spree and a share in World sprint relay record for good measure. Then in 1994 Europeans the sprint double of Russia's Irina Privalova will also live long in the memory.

Track and field athletics is the national summer sport in Finland.

While the golden days of the pre 1940 era of Finnish athletics have long gone and the Finns' long distance running renaissance of the 1970's is now just a fading memory, Finland still holds its own in the athletics world.

The Finnish conveyor belt of javelin throwers, whose latest product is 1999 World champion Aki Parviainen continues to roll on relentlessly and is now also turning out a new product line in the shape of a half a dozen or so 20 metre shot putters led by reigning Olympic champion Arsi Harju.

Finns remain fascinated by athletics and if the pine trails of Finnish forest are not so full of distance runners anymore, the names of **Paavo Nurmi**, nine time Olympic gold medallist and **Lasse Viren**, four time Olympic winner

Helsinki 2005: a taste of athletics' past and present

are still household names in Finland. Marble statues to both these great distance runners stand outside Helsinki's 1952 Olympic stadium lest anyone dare forget!

Helsinki's Olympic stadium is a revered building, as much a national treasure as the near by Finlandia Hall or the classical Lutheran Cathedral



near the harbour. The stadium is linked to its warm up track by an underground pedestrian tunnel, which cuts through one of the many outcrops of granite rock that are dotted throughout the city landscape. Anyone taking the short subterranean journey immediately steps back into athletics history.

The warm up track is the famous **Elaintarha Sports Ground**, which among the many World records set there in the 1920's **witnessed on the 19th June 1924 the 1500m and 5000m World Record double by Paavo Nurmi**. This amazing feat was merely Nurmi's "practice" before his successful attempt at this same golden double at the Paris Olympics of that year, albeit without world bests! Has any stadium in the World, let alone an Olympic venue ever been graced by such a hallowed practice field as Elaintarha!

The Olympic stadium itself hosts the annual IAAF Grand Prix meet, which attracts a crowd of 20,000 spectators each year. Yet the atmosphere really reaches a crescendo every two years when the Finland verses Sweden two day dual match is staged, attracting a combined crowd of over 60,000 devoted fans.

Television audiences for athletics also remain incredibly high in Finland as was witnessed on the last night of the 1998 European championships - the evening of the men's javelin final of course - when a fifth of the Finnish population tuned in live to watch the broadcast.

It is true that the sport of athletics in Finland, as in all industrialized nations, has to compete with many other sports and attractions - especially ice hockey and motor sports - for a share of the TV viewing public. Yet there remains a residual knowledge of athletics throughout the population which means that when any major championships begin, the Finns are

not easily distracted from athletics whether there are Finnish athletes competing or not.

Finland is rightly proud of its place in athletics history and the decision to award the 10th IAAF World Championships to Helsinki, the first venue to have hosted the meeting twice has been very happily received. Even though the IAAF Council's decision took place on the same day that Helsinki's top ice hockey club Jokerit won the Finnish championship, the news about 2005 still made headlines across the city.

"The 2005 announcement was the biggest news in our country, not just sporting but above everything else which had happened in the world that day," confirmed the Finnish Federation's Press Officer Taru Stenvall. "National television had coverage of the decision from Nairobi and really the buzz of excitement has not died down since."

On the penultimate day of the 1983 championships, the crowd of 54,000 went berserk as home heroine and the then javelin World record holder, **Tiina Lillak** unleashed her spear to capture Finland's only gold (**photo displayed above**) As anyone who was in that stadium on August 13th 1983 will testify, that will undoubtedly remain one of the abiding moments of World Championship history. There is also little doubt that in three years time **Helsinki will once again produce many more great athletics memories for the world to savour.**



“QUALITY CONTROL” TO DECIDE 2003-2005 GOLDEN LEAGUE VENUES

The future venues of the Golden League circuit for the period from 2003-2005 will be decided, before the end of this May, following careful examination of applications from bidding candidates.

“We have drawn up a list of criteria as we believe it is important that the IAAF Golden League represents the best quality of one-day athletics meetings,” said IAAF President Lamine Diack on 5 May 2002 while attending the 11th IAAF World Half Marathon Championships in Brussels.

“Although details of the application letter we expect to receive from

potential organisers remain confidential, I can confirm that the IAAF is looking for guarantees regarding financial security and TV coverage.

“To qualify for IAAF Golden League status we will demand a minimum organisational budget, including a guarantee for athletes’ prize money.

“It is important to ensure that the Golden League is a real promotional tool for our sport, and we expect coverage – on free to air television – not just of the host country’s meeting, but of the circuit as a whole.

“We have also stressed the importance of having good spectator attendance at each event and are asking each meeting organiser to work with us to develop new marketing concepts for the circuit as a whole.

“I am confident that we will receive applications not just from existing Golden League meetings but from those who aspire to join.”

The current IAAF Golden League consists of 7 meetings: Berlin, Brussels, Monaco, Oslo, Paris, Rome and Zurich and the opening meeting of the 2002 season will take place in Oslo on 28 June.

2002 WORLD ATHLETICS DAY - celebrating 90 Years of the IAAF

On 11-12 May, 143 IAAF Member Federations took part in the 2002 edition of World Athletics Day. This year, the winners of the draw (a girl and a boy from each of the IAAF Areas: Africa, Asia, Europe, Oceania, South America, North-Central America and the Caribbean) will be invited to attend the 2002 World Athletics Gala in Monaco, which celebrates the 90th Anniversary of the IAAF. The draw will be made during the IAAF Council Meeting in Paris on 3/4 July. World Athletics Day was introduced six years ago, with the aim of increasing public awareness of the role athletics can play in the education of youngsters.

Fifty Years of Success in Bahamas

Bahaman athletics is celebrating its Golden Anniversary this year - On 6 May, 1952 a group of men interested in the advancement of Track and Field in the British Colony of the Bahama Islands met at the office of Hon. Alfred Francis Adderley on Bay and Parliament Street in Nassau to form the Bahamas Amateur Athletic Association, writes IAAF Council Member Alpheus Finlayson.

The Bahamas had enjoyed some competitive success even before then. Some 25 years before the formation of the association the legendary Charley Major Sr. had won the High Jump in the Milrose Games and also the Amateur

Athletic Union Championships in New York. But it wasn’t until 1995 at the World Championships in Gothenburg, that Troy Kemp won the country’s first World Championships Gold in the High Jump.

Recently, further memorable triumphs have followed. In Seville, the team of Eldece Clarke-Lewis, Savetheda Fynes, Chandra Sturrup, Pauline Davis-Thompson, and Debbie Ferguson won the Gold medal in the 400m relay. The “Golden Girls”, repeated their feat at the Sydney Olympics the following year.

And just last year sprinter Chandra Sturrup won the 60m at the IAAF World Indoor Championships in Lisbon,

Portugal, while in the summer in Edmonton, Avard Moncur won the World Gold in the 400m.

Also in 2001, significant administrative change got underway at the Annual General Meeting in November. The Association adopted a new constitution, new structure, and a new name, the **Bahamas Association of Athletics Associations**. Just as the international body has eliminated the term “amateur” from its name so our local body has followed suit. We look forward to the next 50 years of the BAAA.

NB. A fuller version of this historical summary appeared in the “NEWS” section of the IAAF web site on 6 May.

POSITIVE CASES IN ATHLETICS, SANCTIONED DEFINITELY,

ACCORDING TO INFORMATION RECEIVED BY THE IAAF AS OF 15 MAY 2002

GUSTAITYTE	Renata	LTU	IAAF OOCT	26.02.01	2- yrs ineligibility
HENNIG	Scott	USA	IAAF OOCT	28.11.01	2- yrs ineligibility
PALACIOS	Felipa	COL	Encuentro Diputacion de Caceres	20.06.01	Public warning

This list represents the athletes who have been sanctioned for a doping offence by their Federation since the last issue of the IAAF News. A Public Warning also entails disqualification from the competition in which the positive sample was provided. Dates correspond to the positive doping control test and not the beginning of the ineligibility period.

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News from IAAF Member Federations:

Recently Elected: (R) = re-elected

President:

- Cayman Islands* – Mr. Bernie Bush (R)
- Dominica* – Miss Sharon Philogene
- Iceland* – Mr. Jonas Egilsson (R)
- Ireland* – Mr. Michael Heery
- Jordan* – Dr. Hazem Al Nahar
- Netherlands* – Mr. Gert Hekker
- Nicaragua* – Mrs. Maria Antonieta Ocon Espinoza (R)
- Peru* – Mr. Gustavo Cardenas Brou (R)
- Saint Kitts & Nevis* – Mr. Raphael Jenkins (R)

General Secretary :

- Bermuda* – Ms. Debbie Smith
- Cayman Islands* – Ms. Elizabeth Aio
- Bahrain* – Mr. Shuber Al Wedai
- Dominica* – Mr. Curtley Bynoe (R)
- Ghana* – Mr. George Lutterodt
- Iceland* – Mr. Sigurdur P. Sigmundsson
- Jordan* – Mr. Saad Hiyasat
- Laos* – Mr. Boualong Sacdpraseuth
- Nicaragua* – Ms. Xiomara Larios
- Pakistan* – Mr. Muhammad Khalid Mahmood
- Peru* – Mr. Luis Condeso Ocampo (R)

- Samoa* – Mr. Matafeo Reupena
- Saint Kitts & Nevis* – Mr. Keith Heyliger (R)

International Secretary:

- Ireland* – Mr. Liam Hennessy
- Hungary* – Mr Laszlo Vegh

Name Changes:

- Dominica* – has changed it’s name and added “association” and will now be called the “Dominican Federation of Athletics Associations”.
- Ghana* – has removed the word “amateur” from its name and is now called “Ghana Athletic Association.”
- Oceania* – has removed the word “amateur” from its name and is now called “Oceania Athletic Association.”

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“130 YEARS OF ATHLETICS IN THE NETHERLANDS”

The respected journalist and former General Secretary of “KNAC”, the Netherlands Federation Mr. Bart Kappenburg (79) has had published his history of athletics in the Netherlands under the title “130 Jaar Atletiek in Nederland”. It is a work of great historical reference which has taken Mr. Kappenburg over ten years of time and effort to compile. All enquires – info@knau.nl

The “New Structure” of the IAAF... a focus on MEMBER SERVICES

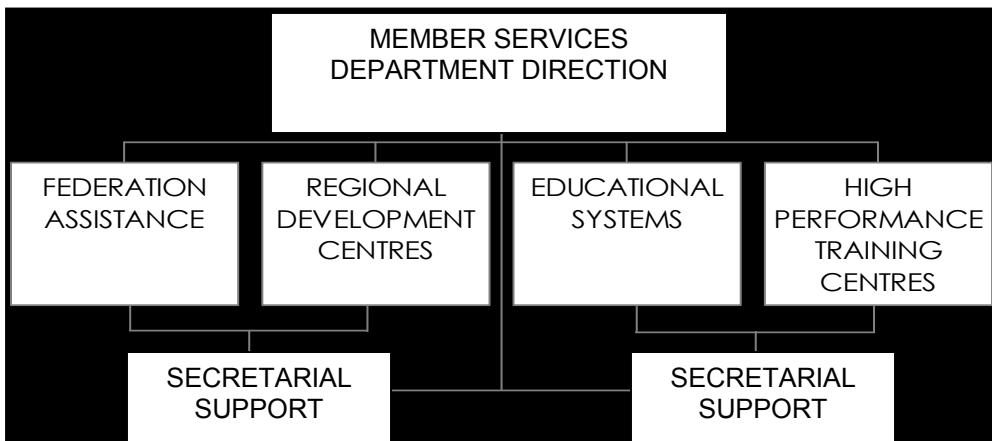
Interview with the Director, Bjorn Wangemann - “More than just a renaming”

The Member Services Department is not completely new. It takes over the responsibilities of the former Development Department, in particular the operation of the Development Programme under the control of the Development Commission with special reference to the Chairman of the Commission, IAAF Vice President Amadeo Francis.

“In my understanding, everything done by the Department and, indeed, the Headquarters in Monaco should be a service to the Members,” says Wangemann.

It may seem an obvious statement for the Director of the Member Services to make but then again, it’s a mantra which bears repeating at the rebirth of this department.

NEW MEMBER SERVICES DEPARTMENT STRUCTURE



Continuing our look at the “New Structure” of the IAAF...



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IAAF FACTS & FIGURES did you know...?

Staff Summary – ALL departments	
Nationalities:	
French	21
British	13
Italian	7
Hungarian	3
Danish	2
Spanish	2
American	1
Belgian	1
Canadian	1
Croatian	1
German	1
Mauritian	1
Moroccan	1
New Zealander	1
Ukrainian	1
Total no. of Staff:	57
Male:	26
Female:	31
Languages spoken:	
Arabic	
Croatian	
Danish	
English	
French	
German	
Hungarian	
Italian	
Portuguese	
Russian	
Spanish	
Swahili	
Swedish	
Ukrainian	
Twi	
Total no. of languages:	15

a focus on MEMBER SERVICES continued from last page...

“The IAAF Members Services takes on the functions of the old Department” continues Wangemann – Regional Development Centres (RDCs), High Performance Training Centres (HPTCs) and Educational Systems – but in addition we want to provide increased service and support in the areas of grants and to enhance how we use and maintain the IAAF Database. In this regard, Development to Member Services, is more than just a renaming.”

“The Bi-Annual Member Federation census is the key to our strategy. For example, with one click of a button we should be able to know, how many synthetic tracks there are in Africa or how many per country, or even how many in the World. There are some countries for which we have very little information at all.”

“Only with accurate census information from the Member Federations, can the IAAF and our department in particular direct assistance, both financial and general support more effectively to the members who require it.”

“The Database has largely been an untapped source of information and if it is better maintained it will become more dynamic.”

The first of the new initiatives has been to establish a new “IAAF e-Letter” which is being sent to CECS Level II Coaches around the globe, as a further educational tool providing updated, cutting edge coaching knowledge on all athletic disciplines. Sent via the local RDCs it will first be published every two months until January 2003 when it will become monthly.

The first five months of this year have seen a dramatic build up of the new personnel and structure that will help guide the future of Member Services. Underneath the Director, four managerial posts have been created. **Federation Assistance** will be under the control of *Jee Isram* who has just moved from the General Secretariat to take over this role. His core role will be to liaise with the Member Federations. The **10 Regional Development Centres** are now in the responsibility of *Kata Farkas*. **Educational Systems** i.e. Education, coaches, technical officials etc...are the province of *Steve Hollings*, who has journeyed from New Zealand in the last month to join the IAAF. **The High Performance Training Centres** will shortly be taken over by another newcomer to the IAAF, *Abdel Malek El Hebil* from Morocco. Secretarial support is already being provided by *Patricia Cady*, *Benthe Rasmussen* and *Vicky Brennan*.

World Cup or no World Cup, Athletics is Alive and Well

As I write these words, the world is still gripped by football-mania, as can be expected when the FIFA World Cup makes its appearance after 4 years absence.

Of course, as a fan of football, and a former Manager of the Senegalese team, I admit to getting caught up in the excitement myself when our small nation defeated the World Champions France and went on to qualify for the quarter finals. Each victory was the excuse for a major celebration in Dakar!

But World Cup or no World Cup, many athletes have already produced outstanding performances, and we have worked hard to put the finishing touches on some important issues concerning our sport, prior to the next Meeting of the IAAF Council on 3-4 July in Paris.

One of the most important decisions will be to finalise the rules and structure of the new circuit of international 1-day meetings for the period 2003-2005. Although the composition of the 5 top meetings of the Golden League has attracted a lot of interest, I should point out that it is the system as a whole, which must function well. You can read more about this subject in the section "From IAAF Headquarters" on page 2.

Of course, the IAAF also has a World Cup, and one with a proud tradition dating back to 1977. The idea of a team competition between continental areas and some top national teams has always been exciting, even if I feel that we have yet to explore its full potential. This year's edition in Madrid on September 20-21, will benefit from Spain's great climate and organisational ability, but I do admit to being excited about the prospect of a 2006 edition in the USA.

We continue to work at promoting the sport in the USA and a World Cup in, say, Los Angeles, should really kick-start



Athletics and football combine in the 1999 inauguration of Seville's stadium

international competition in that country.

We can also look forward to the IAAF Coca-cola World Junior Championships in Kingston, Jamaica, which opens on the day of our 90th Anniversary – Tuesday 16 July. What better way to mark our venerable status than by celebrating the present and future success of young athletes?

By good fortune, the actual anniversary day is also the date of the Stockholm DN Galan Grand Prix this year, so the country that hosted our foundation meeting in 1912, is still in love with the sport.

Another interesting aspect of the 2002 season is that, for the first time, Continental Championships in Europe, Africa and Asia, will take place at the same time. This is all part of on-going efforts to manage our international calendar in a careful and sensible manner.

I am also hopeful that the same sort of thinking will be applied to the question of "Athletes' Whereabouts" at the next IAAF Council Meeting in Paris. Our out

of competition anti-doping programme can only work effectively if we know where athletes are at any given time for unannounced testing. This is no easy task when you consider that our target group is the World Top 20 in more than 30 individual events, and that these athletes are spread out all over the globe. Nevertheless, I am confident that by joining forces with Member Federations, Athletes' Representatives and the Athletes themselves, we can create an effective new system.

Finally, on Friday, 28 June, I will be at an important venue for our sport, the Bislett Stadium in Oslo. The first meeting of the Golden League allows us to celebrate the best in our sport – led by Marion Jones, Maurice Greene and the 2001 Athlete of the Year Hicham El Guerrouj. After signing up for the entire Golden League, our three world stars will help to promote our sport, and I am looking forward to seeing them, and all the other world class competitors in Norway.

Lamine Diack
IAAF President



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“The IAAF’s activities are manifold and extremely complex,” writes ISTVAN GYULAI . “Hundreds of faxes, e-mails and traditional mail are received and sent every day. Here are some insights into the main issues which keep our Staff of 55 busy these days” ...

A More Unified Competition Structure

We are now close to finalising the most important details of a new Competition Structure from 2003. This will be the product of careful discussion and thoughtful reflection by many experts, particularly those involved in the IAAF’s Competitions Commission and Circuits working Group since 1999. So, three years on, what are we ready to approve at the next Council Meeting?

For me the main innovations are that: The new Competition System links our World Athletic Series, Area and National events, Multi-sport Games which include athletics and the 1-day circuit. In fact, every major athletics competition, will be linked by one binding element: the IAAF World Rankings. As of 2003, an Athlete’s identity – including his or her right to qualify for the new “Final” (we will return to the name later!) as well as to earn one of the Top 3 places in the Best Athlete of the Year contest – will be closely linked to our Rankings. Of course, it is important to create a number of categories for Athletics Competitions so that the weight of World Ranking points is related to the competition’s quality. Obviously, results at competitions like the Olympic Games, or World Championships or Golden League, which have been achieved against the best opposition are worth more points than results achieved in smaller competitions.

A Circuit Based on Quality Control

With regard to the 1-day meetings of the circuit from 2003, the most important innovation is a system of quality control to select representatives for the new categories of meeting, which include Golden League, Super Grand Prix, Grand Prix and Grand Prix II. These criteria will be as objective as possible and include: Standard of Results, Adherence to IAAF Guidelines, Guarantee of Payment of Athletes’ Prize Money, Spectator Attendance, TV coverage and Media Service. Every three years, meetings will be evaluated and a system of promotion and relegation from and to the various categories, will keep the system competitive. The final decision about which competition will

be in which category is likely to be agreed at the end of this season.

Eight Contenders for the 2003-2005 Golden League

With regard to the Golden League from 2003, we have received letters of intent from 8 candidates - and have now clarified outstanding issues related to prize-money structure, TV coverage in the host country and in other meetings of the circuit, and commitment to the IAAF 1 million dollar GL Jackpot from next year on. Having said that, the final choice will be very difficult because all candidatures are excellent. It is worth noting that a growing number of voices, especially in the media, are asking why the Golden League has to be five meetings, since six could prove to be a better number.

Our New Final needs a New Name!

One of the most pleasing aspects of the new structure is that all 35 athletics events count in the World Rankings, and so the new “Grand Prix Final” can be a true celebration and climax of the athletics season, offering every event over two days. The only problem seems to be agreeing on a name for this new competition, as “Grand Prix Final” is now redundant. More brainstorming is necessary. One early choice “World Circuit Grand Final” is inelegant but “World Athletics Gala” could work, especially as the plan is to link the competition with our traditional annual awards show. On the other hand, the Head of Major Sports for the BBC has pointed out that “Gala” is not traditionally equated with a serious sporting event and has urged a rethink. “World Athletics Final” or “Athletics Grand Final” Please email us any suggestions you may have!!!

No Hammer at the Stade Louis II

One important issue related to the Finals from 2003-2005 in Monaco is that it won’t be possible to host the two Hammer Throw competitions in the Stade Louis II, because the concrete underlay (which is actually the roof of a car park) is not designed to cope with such impacts. The two Hammer Throws may be held somewhere else. Some countries, where the Hammer is a popular event, have already expressed keen interest.

Athletes’ On-line Diaries

A new feature of the IAAF website is on-line diaries from top athletes. Our Communications Department picked out likely contenders for honours on this year’s Golden League circuit, and

From the IAAF Headquarters

I am pleased to say that a number of them, including Maurice Greene and Hicham El Guerrouj, agreed to participate in this new initiative, which aims to unveil the personality behind the athlete, and let the public get closer to the real protagonists of the sport. I find it wonderful to read the following lines from the best athletes of the world:

“I also saw Gustavo Kuerten at the Roland Garros and went up to introduce myself - when I see something I like no one can stop me! I really admire him! I followed the French Open final on TV last year and bet with the other Moroccan athletes in Ifrane that he would win. I like his personality on and off the courts, I like the fact that he is helping the children in Brazil - he has such an extraordinary personality! So I went up and introduced myself and he was also happy to see me and asked about my plans for this season.”

Hicham El Guerrouj

“Now let’s get ready for a better 2002! This started off in Milan with a win over a very good field in a time of 11.19 into a very strong -1.9 head wind, that even felt stronger in the last half of the race. Well, I am off to Athens to face even tougher field and try to post a much faster time.”

Zhanna Pintusevich-Block

“I didn’t come to the Athens Grand Prix to run 2:00 for 800m, but there were many reasons why the race was so slow. First of all, a terrible wind swirled around the stadium and felt like a permanent head wind. Then, the Athens officials did not start the 800m in lanes so me and the pacemaker had to move into lane 4 after the start to get around the field. We had requested a pace of 56.5 for 400m and the pacemaker went through in 60.0 which was already 3.5 seconds too slow.”

Jolanda Ceplak

“I travel home to Kenya for the National Championships starting 20th June. I’m always really excited to see my parents, sisters, brothers and my lovely nieces especially Sheilla and Joylene. The three tactical races are a good chance to really polish my form and sharpness. Which is good because after Kenya I return to Europe for 1500m races in Lausanne (2nd July) and Paris St-Denis (5th July). In between races I like to balance my time between training/traveling etc and school/relaxation. I like to read magazines especially those related to

IT, follow politics around the world, watch TV (sports, entertainment, music, politics), surf the web and e-mail my friends.”

Bernard Lagat

Member Services = Development Plus

One of the new components of the restructured IAAF, our Member Services Department is now building up an impressive staff roster with the addition of two heavyweights - Steve Hollings (a former international steeplechaser and Director of

Coaching for Athletics New Zealand) and Jee Isram, who has accumulated immense experience as Assistant to the late President Primo Nebiolo and to Lamine Diack since 1999. With a growing number of talented staff and an enhanced *esprit de corps*, we expect the Member Services Department to be a real dynamo in the coming years.

Athletes' Handbook

I am pleased to note that the IAAF Athletes' Commission is also

becoming more and more active offering advice on important issues like a new IAAF Athletes Handbook. This attractive, easy to read brochure will give international athletes an indication not only of what the IAAF and the world of athletics can offer them, but also what we expect from them in return, especially with regards to doping and the general promotion of the sport worldwide.

**Istvan Gyulai
General Secretary**

Member Federation News

Recently Elected: (R) = re-elected

President:

Algeria – Mr. Toufik Chaouche Teyara (R)

China – Mr. Shijie Duan

Comoros – Mr. Abdallah MZE MSA

Fiji – Mr. Viliame Saulekaleka Tunidau (R)

Netherlands – Mr. Harry Groen

General Secretary :

Algeria – Mr. Mohamed Zine Eddine Zitouni (R)

China – Dr. Chaoyi Luo (also Vice President)

Comoros – Mr. Soilihi Abdou

Ecuador – Ms. Magdalena Caisabanda Cholota

Eritrea – Mr. Kifletsion Berhe

Fiji – Mr. Filimoni Vuli Waqa (R)

Netherlands – Mr. Gert Hekkert

Qatar – Mr. Mohamed Al Emadi

Singapore – Mr. S. Govindaraju (Hon. Sec)

United Arab Emirates – Mr. Mohamed Bin Dakhan

Correction from Newsletter 55 –

Iceland - Mr. Sigmundsson was elected as HONORARY SECRETARY and NOT General Secretary.

NB. Mr. Egill Eidsson remains GENERAL SECRETARY

Name Changes:

The Following Federations are now known as -

Fiji – “Athletics Fiji”

Kenya – “Athletics Kenya”

Contact information changes:

Athletics Kenya – email athleticskenya@gt.co.ke

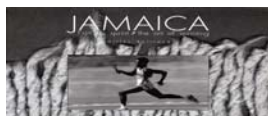


On the occasion of the National Championships 2002 held in Mar del Plata, a commemorative plaque was awarded to **Prof. Ricardo Bruno Bonfiglioli** on behalf of Argentinean Athletics, in recognition of his fruitful efforts throughout various decades as international IAAF official.

Bonfiglioli was International Technical Official (ITO) at the Olympic Games in 1992 and 1996, and officiated at World Championships, World Cups, Grand Prix Finals, Panamerican Games, Iberoamerican and South American Championships. In this capacity he visited, among other cities, Moscow, Barcelona, Atlanta, Sevilla, Lisbon, Stuttgart, and La Habana, as well as most of the main cities in South America.

This tribute was undoubtedly a deserving acknowledgment of the work of an excellent human being who untiringly trained entire generations of officials in the whole of South America and at the age of 82 continues to tread firmly the paths of sport.

In Memorium - Mr. Issac Neftali Rojas Nater, Honorary General Secretary of NACAC passed away on Thursday 30th May. The Funeral was held on Sunday 2nd June.



Gilles Bertrand's excellent new book **“JAMAICA – the art of sprinting”** a pictorial and editorial journey through the athletics world of this Caribbean sprinting super power has been published and is available at 26 Euros.

More information: [www. vo2.fr/Jamaica](http://www.vo2.fr/Jamaica)

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1912 – a step back in Athletics time

Track and field athletics was a very different affair in the year that the IAAF was founded in 1912. It was largely the preserve of Western Europe, the British Empire and North America. There were no Africans, other than South Africans. There was no one from the Caribbean. There were very few Asians. Women's competition was limited to a few enterprising schools and colleges in Britain, the USA and Scandinavia, writes ATFS member & former BBC Radio commentator *Bob Phillips*.

It was not until after the establishment of the IAAF that official world record lists were introduced. The Amateur Athletic Association (AAA) Championships in England were regarded as the premier event outside the Olympics, and yet there was still no low hurdles, no triple jump (or hop step and jump, as it was then known), no discus or javelin. Such rules and regulations as existed were largely hangers from the 19th Century, and the AAA had only recently conceded that for the High Jump and Pole Vault "a pit of sand or soft earth may be dug for competitors to alight in".

Out of this confusion, **the sport came of age in 1912**. The Olympic Games in Stockholm that year can now be seen with the benefit of 80 years hindsight to have been the first international athletics gathering of lasting significance, and throughout the year there were momentous achievements in a variety of events. The 1500 metres record was reduced by four seconds and the 5000 metres record by almost 30 seconds. There was the first 2.00m High Jump and the first 4.00m Pole Vault, though such imperial measurements as 6ft 6in and 13ft were much more highly regarded in the USA, where these marks were set. A Finn and then a Swede became the first men to throw the javelin more than 60 metres.

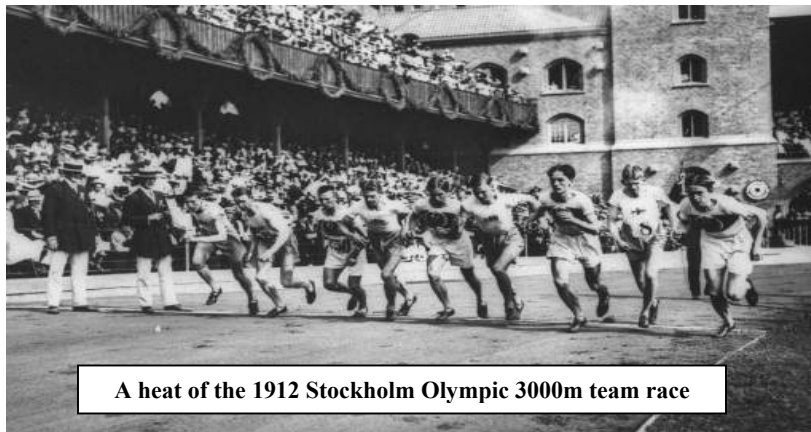
Some world records were set in the most unlikely circumstances. On the first day of the New York Post Office Clerks' Association Games at Celtic Park, Long Island, a 19 year old, Abel Kiviat, ran 1500 metres in 3:59.2, with wildly varying successive laps of 59.6, 67.4 and 69.0 which were entirely characteristic of middle-distance strategy of the era, and he was soon to improve the record twice more. The next day, in a "both hands competition", James Duncan broke two discus records, throwing 156ft 1 3/8in (47.58m) with his right arm and 96ft 7in (29.45m) with his left arm.

Improved techniques were developing slowly and erratically.

George Horine took the high-jump record up to 6ft 7in (2.007m) in California, having accidentally devised what was described as a "Western Roll" to clear the bar on his side while practising in the back yard of his family

by winning that as well eight years later.

Also engaged elsewhere in less salubrious surroundings were the world's best sprinters. In a 130 yards race for a prize of £200 on a grass track at Taff Vale Park, Pontypridd, in



home as a youngster. Previously, he had employed the commonly-used uneconomic "scissors" style and had done no better than 5ft 1in (1.55m).

Distance-running was becoming more methodical, and the first of the "Flying Finns" were in the forefront.

Willy Kolehmainen was one of three brothers who were all outstanding runners and he was admirably described as "a non-smoker, teetotaler and strict vegetarian who subjects himself to a most rigorous training regime with a cheerful compliance". He ran the first sub-2:30 Marathon in 1912 on a circular track in New Jersey, but it was brother Hannes who achieved the Olympic honours and who would have probably been voted "Athlete Of The Year", had there been such a concept in those far-off times. His major rival for that honour would have been Jim Thorpe, the American Indian who won the Olympic Pentathlon and Decathlon but was later disqualified for infringing his amateur status – and then reinstated 70 years afterwards.

Willy Kolehmainen was not in Stockholm at all – because this was an age when amateurs and professionals were rigidly segregated and he had moved to the USA to earn a living from his athletic skill. Instead, Hannes was the "Zátopek" of the 1912 Olympics, winning the 5000 metres in 14:36.6sec (the first ever sub-15:00 clocking), the 10,000 metres and the 12km cross-country, and breaking another world record in a heat of the 3000 metres team race which the Finns miscalculatedly lost to the USA. Incidentally, the third of the brothers, Tatu, failed to finish in the Olympic Marathon, but Hannes made amends

the heart of industrial South Wales, Jack Donaldson, who was colourfully presented as "The Blue Streak from Australia", beat Reggie Walker, the South African who had won the 1908 Olympic 100 metres, in a time of 12 3/16 seconds, which was probably superior running to the winning performance of 10.8 at 100 metres by the American, Ralph Craig, in the Olympic 100 metres. Walker wrote a much-respected text-book on sprinting in which he advised his readers that "great care should be observed at all times not to do too much work in training".

There were, of course, no women athletes at the Olympics – and nor would there be for another 16 years

– even though women's events in swimming were introduced in Stockholm. The most fervent opponent of a feminine presence on the track at the Games was Baron Pierre de Coubertin, founder of the Modern Olympics, who proclaimed that it would be "*impratique, inintéressant, inesthétique et incorrect*".

Such few women's athletics records as had been unofficially set at that time seem quaintly modest by modern standards, but all credit to those few enterprising ladies who were prepared to defy masculine prejudice. In Finland a 100 metres time of 13.5 had been set by Eufrosyne Simola, and during 1912 Lempi Aaltonen ran 1000 metres in 3:26.5. All the four previous "records" set at that latter distance since 1899 had also been achieved by Finnish women. At Bryn Mawr College, in the USA, one Fanny Crenshaw cleared 15ft 3in (4.65m) in the Long Jump

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In England competition was confined exclusively to schoolgirls high-jumping over a weighted rope.

Two years later the First World War was to end the aspirations (and the lives) of many fine athletes. One of the first to be killed in action was Jean Bouin, the great French distance-

runner who had set a 10,000 metres world record and had lost the Olympic 5000 metres by only the narrowest of margins. Bouin also won the 1912 International cross-country race at Saughton Park, Edinburgh, by more than half-a-minute, but the strength of the harrier tradition gave England the team title – as had been the case

every year since the series had begun in 1903. Ireland, Scotland and Wales were the only other competing countries, and the idea of a Kenyan, a Moroccan or an Ethiopian ever winning such a race was unimaginable.



IAAF Member Federations Celebrating Jubilee in 2002

	Country Code	Federation created	Jubilee in 2002 No. of years
1	AUT	1902	100
2	CRO	1912	90
3	ROM	1912	90
4	ZIM	1912	90
5	CUB	1922	80
6	SRI	1922	80
7	TUR	1922	80
8	GBR	1932	70
9	JAM	1932	70
10	TJK	1932	70
11	BAH	1952	50
12	SYR	1952	50
13	CAF	1962	40
14	CGO	1962	40
15	COK	1962	40
16	LBA	1962	40
17	MAD	1962	40
18	MTN	1962	40
19	SAM	1962	40
20	TGA	1962	40
21	BOT	1972	30
22	IVB	1972	30
23	DJI	1982	20
24	OMN	1982	20
25	ARM	1992	10
26	ERI	1992	10
27	TKM	1992	10

Major World records set in 1912

Note: some of these records were not officially ratified; others which were ratified were inferior to existing performances and have been excluded here. OG indicates Olympic Games.

100 metres:

10.5 Richard Rau (Germany), Braunschweig, 13 August
10.5 Erwin Kern (Germany), Munich, 26 May

800 metres/880 yards:

1:51.9/1:52.5 Ted Meredith (USA), Stockholm, 8 July (OG)

1500 metres:

3:59.2 Abel Kiviat (USA), New York, 26 May

3:56.8 Kiviat, New York, 2 June

3:55.8 Kiviat, Cambridge, Massachusetts, 8 June

3000 metres:

8:36.9 Hannes Kolehmainen (Finland), Stockholm, 8 July (OG)

5000 metres:

14:36.6 Kolehmainen, Stockholm, 10 July (OG)

4 x 100 metres relay:

43.0 GBR, 42.5 SWE, 42.3 GER, Stockholm, 8 July (OG) – all set in semi-finals

4 x 400 metres relay:

3:16.6 USA, Stockholm, 16 July (OG)

High Jump:

6-6 1/8 (1.985) George Horine (USA), Stanford, California, 29 March

6-7 (2.007) Horine, Stanford, California, 17 May

Pole Vault:

13-1 (3.98) Robert Gardner (USA), Philadelphia, 1 June.

Gardner was US amateur golf champion in 1909 and 1925

13-2 1/4 (4.02) Marc Wright (USA), Cambridge,

Massachusetts, 8 June

Discus Throw:

156-1 3/8 (47.58) James Duncan (USA), New York, 27 May

Javelin Throw:

61.45 Juho Saaristo (Finland), Helsinki, 25 May

62.32 Erik Lemming (Sweden), Stockholm, 29 September

Decathlon (scores adjusted to 1985 tables):

5,867 Austin Menaul (USA), Evanston, Illinois, 23-24 May

6,564 Jim Thorpe (USA), Stockholm, 13-14-15 July (OG)

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Gold, Wolde and Davenport – we shall remember them



SIR ARTHUR GOLD, who died on

Saturday May 25, aged 85, was probably the last patriarch of British athletics, and of British sport in general.

As president of the Amateur Athletic Association, the oldest track and field organisation in the world, into his eighties Sir Arthur carried influence and some degree of power in the same manner as the likes of Harold Abrahams, the Olympic gold medallist whose sprinting was featured in the Oscar-winning film *Chariots of Fire*, and the Marquis of Exeter, another great British athlete who in later life dominated the administration of the sport.

While Gold's athletic abilities were modest compared with Abrahams and Exeter, when it came to sports administration, it was as if the phrase "Elder Statesman" had been invented for him. At various points in his career, Sir Arthur was chairman of the British Olympic Association and the Commonwealth Games Council for England, secretary of the British Amateur Athletic[sic] Board and president of the European Athletic Association. Yet when offered the first full-time professional administrators' post, in 1968 to run the AAA, Gold turned it down on the grounds that the sport could not afford to pay him his worth.

Arthur Abraham Gold was born in north London in 1917, and educated at the Grocers' Company School, eventually moving into the motor industry, running a thriving Rolls Royce dealership. A member of the London Athletic[sic] Club and a high jumper, Gold was selected to represent Britain in 1937, and throughout his life maintained a Corinthian ethos and pride in his country that is rarely seen today. By the time the Second World War was over, Gold's own athletics career was finished, as he moved into coaching and administration, playing some part in the organisation of the 1948

Olympics – the "Ration Book Games", staged at Wembley in London.

Made a CBE in 1974 and knighted for his services to sport in 1984 – significantly after overseeing the golden era of British athletes including Sebastian Coe, Steve Ovett and Daley Thompson – Gold often found himself alongside the then Princess Anne as she embarked on her role as one of Britain's two members of the International Olympic Committee. Doping in sport became Gold's great campaign, even into his final years. Sir Arthur's position in this respect, like his attitude to increasing professionalism in sport, was always resolute. "We should never forget that sport is often good entertainment but entertainment is not necessarily good sport," he said.



MAMO WOLDE, who died in Addis Ababa on Sunday May 26, aged 69, was the vanguard of the present African domination of long distance running events.

In Mexico City in 1968, Wolde became the second Olympic gold medallist in Ethiopia's history, taking the marathon title and so succeeding his more celebrated training partner, Abebe Bikila, the winner of the longest running event at the Games in 1960 and 1964. But Wolde's first Olympic experience had come 12 years earlier, when at 24 he had raced in the 800, 1500 and even in the 4x400m relay team at the 1956 Melbourne Games, finishing last in his heat on each occasion.

Wolde's later life in politically turbulent Ethiopia was spent in misery, as he was detained without trial for nine years until this January, accused of a murder which he always denied.

Mamo Wolde was born in the village of DreDele in the Ad-A district, about 40 miles from Addis Ababa, in June 1932 to a farmer's family. Orphaned in his childhood, he was raised by his grandparents. In June 1951, he joined the army and was assigned to the

bodyguard of Emperor Haile Selassie. It was while in the palace guard that Wolde improved his basic education and began to train as a runner, together with fellow guardsman Bikila.

In 1953, Wolde served in Korea as part of the UN force. On his return in 1955, he began training again, leading to his selection for the 1956 Games. His next Olympics were in 1964, where he placed fourth at 10,000m.

Four years later, Wolde took the silver medal at that distance, a precursor of what would be his finest moment later in the Games. Wolde was entered in the 1968 marathon merely as the great Bikila's understudy. But the defending champion was not at his best in Mexico City, and after he dropped out of the race shortly after halfway, Wolde began to take control. Mexico's high altitude did not affect him as it did his rivals, and he pulled away over to win by more than three minutes. A promotion to captain and a cash gift from the Emperor were among his rewards.

In 1972, by then aged 40, Wolde raced in the Olympic marathon in Munich with some distinction, placing third. Wolde then retired to take up coaching, but revolution in 1974 put the Selassie loyalist's life in jeopardy. Only his fame saved Wolde from execution by the Dergue, who permitted Wolde to continue coaching.

After the overthrow of the Marxist Mengistu regime in 1991, Wolde was among several rounded up on suspicion of crimes during the "Red Terror". He was accused of taking part in the summary execution of 15-year-old Samuel Alemo in May 1978. Wolde was detained without trial in the primitive Alembekagne prison. He was released this year after his case was finally heard, when he was found guilty and sentenced to six years.

"I maintain that I am innocent of the allegations against me. I am not the one who killed the boy," said Wolde, by now frail. "Thank god, I am free at last. I hold no malice towards anyone." Wolde is survived by his wife and three sons.

WILLIE DAVENPORT

WILLIE DAVENPORT, one of the few athletes to compete in both the Summer and Winter Olympics, suffered a fatal heart attack on Monday 17 June at an international airport in Chicago.

He was 59. Born on June 8, 1943, in Troy, Alabama, Davenport was a four-time competitor at the Summer Olympic Games as a high hurdler. He achieved a unique distinction in 1980 by becoming one of the few athletes to ever compete in both Summer and Winter Olympic Games. That year, Davenport competed in the Winter Olympics as a bobsledder but did not place. His Olympic credentials on the track, however, were far more impressive. He won the gold medal at the 1968 Olympics with an Olympic meet record of 13.3.

After his competitive career, he became an officer in the U.S. Army. He was elected to the U.S. Olympic Hall of Fame in 1990.



When the going gets tough, the tough get going!

This Friday 28th June, **the 2002 IAAF Golden League** will blast off, when the Exxon Mobil Bislett Games in Oslo launches the seven meet series, in the Norwegian capital's famous stadium. This year the quest for a share of the glittering 50 kg of gold will be the hardest ever, as athletes need to win at all seven meetings which encompass the league, and compete in the GP Final to win the IAAF Golden League Jackpot.

Yet as the saying goes "when the going gets tough, the tough get going", and in a season without a World Championships or Olympic Games to divert global attention, the seven meeting IAAF Golden League is without doubt the premier athletics challenge of 2002.

As Romanian miler Violeta Beclea-Szekely proved last season with her unsurpassed seven win streak - even though only five wins were necessary in 2001 - the task is not beyond the bounds of even middle distance athletes who,

by the nature of their events, must cover the furthest distance on the road to gold. The list of former Golden League Jackpot winners reads like a roll call of modern athletics greats. Last year the gold was split six ways - André Bucher (800m), Hicham El Guerrouj (1500m/Mile), Allen Johnson (110mH), Marion Jones (100m), Violeta Beclea-Szekely (1500m/Mile) and Olga Yegorova (3000/5000m).

The roster of athletes able to cash in during the previous three years provides an equally impressive testimony to the attraction of the Golden League – 2000: Gail Devers (100m Hurdles), Trine Hattestad (Javelin), Tatyana Kotova (Long Jump); 1999: Gabriela Szabo (3000m), Wilson Kipketer (800m); 1998: Marion Jones (100m), Hicham El Guerrouj (1500m), Haile Gebrselassie (5000m/10,000m).

Oslo is the first stop on the 2002 IAAF Golden League and is followed by Paris (5 July), Rome (12 July), Monaco

(19 July), Zurich (16 August), Brussels (30 August), with the series concluding on 6 September in Berlin. The Grand Prix Final takes place in Paris on 14 September.

The seven meeting series this year comprises the following twelve events, which have been divided into two prize structure categories, six "Premium" and six "Classic" events –

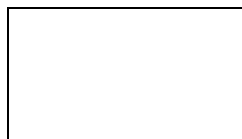
"Premium" Events: Men: 100m, 1500 or Mile, 3000m or 5000m, 400m Hurdles; Women: 100m, 1500m.

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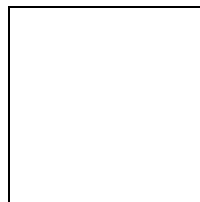
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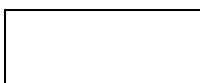
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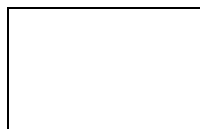
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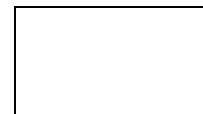
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The Best Ever World Juniors ...

The IAAF Coca-cola World Junior Championships in Kingston was an exciting and top quality event which also captured the imagination of the Jamaican nation.

With a capacity crowd of 36,000 packed into Kingston's National Stadium on the last day of competition, the latest edition of the IAAF Coca-cola World Championships ended on July 21 with an enthusiastic, raucous,

December 2002) Kingston 2002 has been the best ever Championships.

In addition to Lashinda Demus (USA) who ran 54.70 in the 400m Hurdles, Sweden's Carolina Klüft racked up an

Hammer Throw and Jamaica in the 4x100m Relay

Eight Continental records were also registered in Kingston and, most impressively, there were 73 national records.



celebration of our sport.

The great success of Kingston vindicates both the IAAF's decision to award the event to Jamaica, and our strategy to help the sport grow outside Europe and particularly in the North American region. Kingston 2002 followed last year's World Championships in Edmonton, and coming events in Sherbrooke, Canada next year (The World Youth Champs) with Los Angeles a leading candidate for the World Cup in 2006.

But returning to Kingston, the IAAF could not be more pleased with the results and technical level of the first ever World Athletics Series event to be held in Jamaica. Indeed, this competition was the biggest sporting event ever held in the Caribbean.

With a total of five World Junior records (two to be ratified by 31

December 2002) Kingston 2002 has been the best ever Championships. In addition to Lashinda Demus (USA) who ran 54.70 in the 400m Hurdles, Sweden's Carolina Klüft racked up an extraordinary tally of 6470 points in the Heptathlon and the US 4x100m quartet who ran 38.92, the 2002 edition is also to be credited with the best junior marks for the men's Shot Put and Discus Throw.

The implement has been lighter in both disciplines since 1 January 2002, and their marks will be officially considered as world records on 31 December 2002 - should they remain the best in the world by a junior this year.

A total of 9 Championships records (4 men, 5 women) were also bettered in Kingston. The men were Darrel Brown of Trinidad in the 100m, Hillary Chenonge of Kenya in the 5000m, Louis van Zyl of South Africa in the 400m Hurdles and USA in the 4x100m relay. The women were Lashinda Demus, Carolina Klüft, Floé Kühnert in the Pole Vault, Ivana Brkijacic in the

37 Member Federations were listed on the Medal Table with USA topping the standings (21 medals - 9 gold, 5 silver, 7 bronze) ahead of Kenya (5 gold, 1 silver, 2 bronze) and Ethiopia (3 gold, 4 silver, 1 bronze). For the first time in the history of the championships, Antigua (1 silver), Kazakhstan (1 silver), India (1 bronze) and Luxembourg (1 bronze) were listed in the Medal Table.

No fewer than 83 countries had athletes competing in the finals. The number of countries taking part in the championships was officially 159 and the athletes competing 1040 - 619 men and 421 women. Kingston 2002 is second only to Athens 1998 in the list of editions with the highest number of countries participating. But it tops the standings of participation nations in a World Junior Championship held outside Europe.

Since the first edition of the World Juniors in Athens back in 1986, this competition has given talented youngsters the chance to gain valuable experience of international competition, and to get a taste of the excitement and personal satisfaction that are the rewards of top class athletics. I am convinced that some of the stars of Kingston 2002 will continue to grace the world's athletics arenas for many years to come.

Lamine Diack
IAAF President

Photo - a glimpse of the colourful opening ceremony in Kingston



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from the IAAF Headquarters

THE IAAF TURNS 90 WITH AN EYE TO THE FUTURE ...

The IAAF celebrated its 90th Jubilee on 17 July, on the second day of competition at the IAAF World Junior Championships in Jamaica. "It was wonderful to watch 18 year-old Darrell Brown run 10.09f or 100m on our 90th birthday," said Lamine Diack. "It emphasised that while we are right to recall our great history we need to look ahead too."

On 17 July 1912, the IAAF was founded in Stockholm with just 17 countries as Members. Today, the IAAF has grown into the world's biggest sporting association with 210 Members, and while it may also have become a multi-million dollar business that appeals to multi-national sponsors and TV companies, will always have a sporting soul.

A message from the IAAF President was broadcast at Stockholm's Olympic Stadium on 16 July – just before the start of the DN Galan IAAF Grand Prix meeting.

NEWS FROM THE COUNCIL

Summary by István Gyulai, General Secretary

New Competition Structure will dimax in World Athletics Final.

The IAAF Council approved the basic principles regarding the new IAAF Competition Structure from 2003 and decided that the former Grand Prix Final would now be renamed World Athletics Final. It was confirmed that qualification to the World Athletics Final would be based on the World Rankings for each individual event.

The new structure for one-day meetings will consist of four levels:

Golden League
Super Grand Prix
Grand Prix
Grand Prix II

All current Grand Prix meetings and IAAF Permit meetings have been invited to fill in the new application form and apply for the adequate level status for their meetings. The Continental Associations have also been asked to nominate their best meetings for inclusion in the various categories.

Applications will be evaluated by the Circuit Working Group and the final composition of the four levels for the period 2003-2005 will be announced in Paris on 14 September 2002.

Justin Gatlin Reinstated

Council has accepted a request for early reinstatement on behalf of the US sprinter Justin Gatlin (suspended 2 years from 17.06.2001).

It was agreed that Gatlin had a genuine medical explanation for his positive test: prescription medicine for the condition "Attention Deficit Disorder" (ADD) which was first diagnosed when Gatlin was 9 years-old, had never challenged his suspension, and had not competed in USATF or IAAF events since learning of his test result on 12 July 2001.

However, Council stressed that Gatlin HAD committed a doping offence and issued a warning that any repetition of his positive result would result in a life ban. (See *Council Statement in Anti-doping News on Page 5*)

The IAAF Council also stated its position in relation to cases of athletes who are prescribed prohibited substances in connection with the treatment of ADD and related disorders.

Athletes requiring amphetamine medication for the treatment of ADD must ensure that this medicine is taken under close medical supervision, to ensure that they do not compete under the performance enhancing influence of amphetamines. The IAAF will not grant applications for athletes with ADD who seek an exemption on medical grounds to use amphetamines during competition.

Requests for Early Reinstatement Rejected

Council has rejected the following requests for early reinstatement, on behalf of athletes who tested

positive for substances contained in food supplements –

Ali Saidi-Sief ALG
Frank Balzer GER
Andrea Longo ITA
Silvana Trampuz AUS
Caroline Soboll GER

Transfers of Allegiance

The following athletes have changed their nationalities -

Charles Allen	GUY to CAN
Glory Alozie	NGR to ESP
Bolota Asmero	ERI to USA
Tanya Blake	GBR to MLT
Maresa Cadienhead	JAM to CAN
Alistair Cragg	RSA to IRL
Francis Obikwelu	NGR to POR

Athletes' Contract

Council approved an Athlete's Contract (IAAF Rule 12.4 (iv)) by which athletes agree to be bound by the IAAF Rules, Regulations and Procedural Guidelines, in order to be eligible for international competitions.

New Athletes Whereabouts System

A new system to ensure tighter management of the Athletes Whereabouts system - a foundation stone of the IAAF's Out-of-Competition Testing Programme - was agreed by Council. Closer links will be developed between IAAF, National Federations and Athletes Representatives.

World Bests on the Roads

Following Council's agreement in principle to accept World Bests for selected road running events at its last meeting in Nairobi in April, a number of conditions have now been approved, including:

- The course must be measured by an IAAF/AIMS approved course measurer.
- The start and finish points on a course, measured along a straight line, shall not be further apart than 50% of the race distance.
- The decrease in elevation between start and finish shall not exceed 1 metre per kilometer on average.
- It was also agreed that world bests for women could be accepted in mixed races and that different world bests could also be recognised for "point to point" and loop Marathon and Half Marathon races, provided that they are better than marks received using the 50% rule.

Malaysia and Zimbabwe

Following a visit of Asia Area Representative Suresh Kalmadi to Malaysia, and democratic elections in June according to IAAF demands, Council agreed that the new Athletics Association of Malaysia could be accepted as the official representative of the

sport in Malaysia. However, it was also agreed that IAAF Council Member Kalmadi and Vice President Dapeng Lou would monitor the situation over the next 12 months.

With regard to Zimbabwe, where an existing IAAF federation had also been suspended, it was proposed that an on-going dispute between two factions must be resolved before the end of August. Nevertheless, it was confirmed that athletes from Zimbabwe remain eligible for international competition.

2004 World Juniors to be held in Grosseto

Council chose Grosseto, Italy, as the host for the 2004 IAAF Coca-Cola World Junior Championships. The city, which is located in the region of Tuscany, prevailed in a contest with Bydgoszcz, Poland, which hosted the memorable inaugural edition of the World Youth Championships in 1999.

Birmingham 2003 and Sherbrooke 2003

Council approved the Timetable for the 2003 World Indoor Championships in Birmingham and the Entry Standards for the 2003 World Youth Championships in Sherbrooke.

2004 World Indoor Championships in Budapest

Council approved the date: 5-7 March

IAAF World Athletics Finals 2003-2004

Pending the opinion of EBU, Council approved the dates: 12-13 September 2003
17-18 September 2004

FISU - Universiade 2003

Following a discussion with FISU, it was agreed that no athlete selected for the 2003 IAAF World Championships can be entered for the 2003 Universiade except with the authorization of the national athletics federation.

Paris 2003 plans spectacular Marathon Route

A detailed status report was offered by a delegation from the next edition of the World Championships in Athletics, Paris 2003 St-Denis (22-31 August 2003), led by Jean Dussourd, President of the LOC. One innovative proposal made by Paris 2003 St-Denis, pending the approval of IAAF Technical Delegates, is to locate the start of the Marathon near the Eiffel Tower, with the race passing many of the city's historic monuments before a finish at the Stade de France.

World Athletics Day Winners

A draw was made to select 12 boys and girls from winners of the various 2002 World Athletics Day competitions on 11-12 May. The lucky 12 - one girl and one boy per Area - have been invited to attend the World Athletics Gala in Monaco on Sunday, 17 November, as part of the IAAF's 90 Years Jubilee celebrations.

Africa:

Girl: Amzal Ghania ALG 1984 10Km Walk: 54:22.6
Boy: Salou Tadjou TOG 1984 Triple Jump: 14.41

Asia:

Girl: Sri Madhvi Bindu Sri IND 1983 100m Hurdles: 15.5
Boy: Baig Afzal PAK 1984 200m: 22.43

Europe:

Girl: Rabenyuk Anastasiya UKR 1983 400m Hurdles: 59.27
Boy: Vandelannoite Jess BEL 1983 100m: 10.95

North & Central America:

Girl: Spencer Levern LCA 1984 100m: 12.85
Boy: Abassy Ralph VN 1984 Long Jump: 6.70m

Oceania:

Girl: Tapoki Ter eaphii COK 1984 Shot Put: 12.29m
Boy: Moleli Matalima SAM 1984 100m Hurdles: 14.04

South America:

Girl: Aragon Shirley COL 1984 100m: 12.00
Boy: Tagle Tomas CHI 1983 400m: 49.37



Press Commission

Lee Martin (GBR) was nominated to the IAAF Press Commission as representative of the IAAF's Official Photographers: Getty Images.

Scoring at Cross Country Championships

In response to the difficult introduction of new scoring rules at the last World Cross Country Championships in Dublin, Council approved the EAA's request to experiment by including non-scoring competitors and individual runners when the aggregates of the teams are assessed at the European Cross Country Championships.

The current IAAF Rule 250.8(b) states that "in assessing the aggregate, the finishing positions of any non-scoring competitors and individual runners shall be eliminated and subsequent finishing positions adjusted

accordingly", which has proved difficult to enforce in practice.

Finally, Council heard progress reports from the organizers of the 2002 Grand Prix Final in Paris, the 2002 World Cup in Madrid and the 2002 World Race Walking Cup in Turin and also approved a list of delegates for all World Athletics Series competitions in 2003.

Race Walking News

Following up on its decision in April 2002 to create an annual IAAF World Race Walking Challenge to commence in 2003, Council agreed on a number of important details, including regulations and a list of competitions.

These will be: Sesto San Giovanni (Milano), ITA; Naumburg, GER; Rio Major, POR; La Coruna, ESP; Shanghai, CHN and one event in Mexico.

Council nominated 11 judges to

the IAAF Race Walking Judge Panel Level II:

Europe: Manfred Bött (GER); Luca Ciurli (ITA); E. Joao Consalves (POR); Giovanni Ferrari (ITA); Silvia Hanusova (SVK); Gerard Lelievre (FRA); Joao Manuel Pires (POR).
CONSUDATLE: Washington Alvarez (PER); Jorge Bona (ARG); Magdalena Casabanda (ECU); Nilton Cesar Ferst (BRA).

Council also approved the procedure through which the number of the Level III Race Walking Judges (currently 59) will be reduced to less than 30. All 59 judges in the current Level III Panel will be evaluated. One Level II Judge per country can also be designated by the concerned Member Federations to join the evaluation process.

The new Panel of Level III Race Walking Judges will be announced in November 2002

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LATEST NEWS

IAAF discuss dates issue with Commonwealth Games 2006

During a visit to the Commonwealth Games athletics competition in Manchester, IAAF President Lamine Diack and General Secretary Istvan Gyulai met representatives of the local Organising Committee of the next edition of the Games in Melbourne, to discuss a potential problem of dates. The next Games have been scheduled for 15-24 March – (early autumn in Australia) a period that straddles two IAAF events, the World Indoor Championships (9-11 March) and the World Cross Country Championships (24-25 March). Among the options discussed, to avoid subjecting athletes to long-distance trips, was to enquire whether Athletics Australia or another Southern Hemisphere country would be interested in making viable bids for these competitions. No definite decision was taken in Manchester and other plans are also being studied.

Athletes Commission makes recommendations to Council

The IAAF Athletes' Commission met in Paris on 6 July, the day after the Golden League Meeting Gaz de France Paris Saint-Denis. The Athletes' Commission, which is made up of active and retired athletes representing all Areas and events, is becoming increasingly active as a mediator between active athletes and IAAF Council and Headquarters. Alberto Juantorena, Chairman of the Commission, said: "Our main goal is ensure that athletes' opinions are taken into account when decisions are made by the IAAF and that athletes' requirements are a priority at IAAF Competitions."

To this end, the Commission proposes that their representative be included in

- The first General Site Visit of the IAAF World Championships
- Any future Evaluation Commissions for the IAAF World Championships.
- Local Organising Committees of IAAF WAS events, when taking place in the home country of a Commission Member.



ANTI-DOPING NEWS

IAAF Council Statement on Attention Deficit Disorder related cases

The IAAF Council wishes to make its position clear in relation to cases involving athletes who are prescribed amphetamines, which are prohibited substances under IAAF Rules, in connection with treatment for the condition, Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD) and related disorders.

In doing so, the IAAF Council confirms the position adopted by the IAAF Medical Committee at its meeting in Monaco in March of this year. Namely, that the IAAF will not grant applications brought by athletes with ADD who seek an exemption under IAAF Rules to

use amphetamines in competition. The IAAF does not, however, prohibit athletes with ADD from taking prescribed medications to treat that disorder under procedures that will protect the integrity of athletics competitions. If athletes require amphetamine medication for the treatment of an ADD condition, such medication should be taken under close medical supervision and on a schedule designed to ensure that the athletes do not compete with amphetamines present in their bodies. If an athlete tests positive for amphetamines at a competition, it will be treated as a

finding of a prohibited substance in accordance with IAAF Rules.

In making this statement, the IAAF Council recognises the importance of keeping itself informed of the most up to date medical opinion on the subject of ADD and its related disorders. It authorises the IAAF Anti-Doping Commission to monitor the medical knowledge on this subject, to take appropriate steps for the implementation of the Council's policy, and, if necessary, to recommend modifications to the policy.

POSITIVE CASES IN ATHLETICS, SANCTIONED DEFINITELY, ACCORDING TO INFORMATION RECEIVED BY THE IAAF AS OF 1 AUGUST 2002

CHAUSSINAND	David	FRA	National COCT	23.05.02	3-yrs ineligibility
POPOVA	Zhanna	RUS	Russian Championships	14.04.02	2-yrs ineligibility
MIKHNEVICH	Andrei	BLR	Edmonton World Championships	04.08.01	2-yrs ineligibility
EL MOUAZIZ	Hamid	MAR	World Cross Country Champs	22.03.02	3-yrs ineligibility
BERJONNEAU	Stéphanie	FRA	Demi-Finale de France de Cross	10.02.02	Public warning
BORDES	Luis	USA	Penn Relays	26.04.02	Public Warning
PECHENKIN	Yevgeniy	RUS	COCT IAAF	10.02.02	2-yrs ineligibility
SAHI	Said	IRI	National COCT	28.09.02	2-yrs ineligibility
DAGHI	Rahman	IRI	National COCT	28.09.02	2-yrs ineligibility
TAVAKOL	Reza	IRI	National COCT	28.09.02	2-yrs ineligibility

This list represents the athletes who have been sanctioned for a doping offence by their Federation since the last issue of the IAAF News. A Public Warning also entails disqualification from the competition in which the positive sample was provided. Dates correspond to the positive doping control test and not the beginning of the ineligibility period.

DEON HEMMINGS GIVES KINGSTON KIDS THE TRAINING SESSION OF A LIFETIME

The sun may have been burning on 15 July at the warm up track of Kingston's national stadium but not one of the 35 youngsters who had previously been selected to attend the IAAF Training Clinic missed a word – or a drill – of Olympic champion Deon Hemmings.

Hemmings, the winner of the 400m hurdles at the 1996 Games, was ready and willing to build up a sweat at a special IAAF Training clinic for Jamaican kids.

Aged 10 to 14 and representing St Hugh's High, Our Lady of the Angels, Wolmers, Bishop Ginson and Ardenne High schools, the youngsters were privileged to warm up, stretch and hurdle with Deon.

"I am glad the IAAF set up such a training clinic and invited me to run it. I am always happy to help the sport when I can especially in my country where we have so many raw talents. When I retire and have more time I will certainly come back here and help the Federation," said Deon after spending two hours with the kids.

At first, the budding athletes seemed over-awed by the Olympic champion but the ice was soon broken.

"When they go back to school in September, they are all going to show off", explained a Physical Education teacher from Ardenne High School. "They are going to say 'I trained with Deon, I took

pictures with Deon', this is going to become a very big deal."

Patrick Dillon, 11 years of age, of Our Lady and the Angels Preparatory School was particularly thankful to Deon for the precious advice he was given. "This is a unique occasion, I will go back home and keep the drills I've learnt to myself so I can improve and be faster than my friends."

Hemmings, who has recovered from her hamstring injury of last year and was preparing for the Commonwealth Games in Manchester, had set up a schedule for the clinic which included specific stretching exercises aimed at preventing injuries. **CONTINUED PAGE 6**

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"I want to show them these exercises because they are important. Every body's body is different but stretching is essential for each and every athlete."

The young kids were then given a hurdling session which included leading and training leg drills before literally assaulting Deon for that autograph they had probably been dreaming of.

"I still do not know where I am going to put it but I am going to treasure Deon's autograph for a very long time, forever probably," said young sprinter Jeav aughn Beckford.

OBITUARIES

Frank Taylor – the Honorary President of the International Association of Sporting Press (APS) – passed away on 18 July after a short illness. Frank had also been an energetic and visionary President of the association from 1973-1977 and again from 1981-1993. He started his journalist's career in 1937 with the News Chronicle and joined the RAF in World War II. He spent the latter part of his career at the Daily Mirror, which he represented from 1961 until 1985. He covered every Olympic Games from 1964 until 1992 and was the only sports writer to survive the Munich air crash on 6 February 1958 which killed 7 of his colleagues as well as most of the Manchester United players. His experience of this disaster became the subject of "The Day a Team Died" - one of the 8 books he would go on to publish.

"He was a great journalist and a wonderful man," said IAAF General Secretary Istvan Gyulai on hearing of Frank's death. "I was General Secretary of the AIPS when Frank was President and can say that I learned a lot about the importance of servicing the press at major sporting events from Frank. The fact that the IAAF introduced guidelines for Media Services at our events is down to the pioneering work of men like Frank Taylor. My sympathies go out to his wife Peggy and his two sons – who are both journalists like their father."

Doris Magee - who passed away on 4 July, dedicated over 50 years of her life to athletics administration. As a volunteer, she was never paid for her decades of work and was a leader and pioneer of women's track and field in Australia. Magee stood up for equal rights of women athletes and she was successful in changing women's team fashion, increasing the number of women on national teams and equality for women on the track and in the field and changing outdated female management titles.

She was highly recognised for her work by HRH The Queen, the IAAF and the Australian Olympic Committee. It is probably fair to class Doris Magee as Australia's first truly influential female sports administrator and a pathfinder extraordinaire for women in sport. Magee was Honorary Secretary of the Australian Women's Amateur Athletic Union from 1937 until 1978 – with a brief pause during the height of World War II.

Magee was appointed to the IAAF Women's Committee in 1952 and remained a member for 20 years. She was awarded an IAAF Veteran Pin in 1972 – becoming only the second woman to receive the honour. She was an MBE and was made a Member of the Order of Australia and received the Olympic Order of Merit in 1980.

IN BRIEF

During the IAAF Banquet at the IAAF World Junior Championships in Jamaica, a legend of Jamaican Athletics, Herb McKenley (80) was awarded the IAAF Silver Order of Merit. McKenley was a member of the Jamaica 4x400m relay team that shocked the mighty USA to win Olympic gold in 1952. McKenley was a world record breaker on 5 occasions. He lost out on Olympic gold in the 100m in 1952 by the narrowest of margins to Lindy Remigino and also won Olympic silver at 400m in 1948 and 1952. A superb all-round sprinter, McKenley is likely to remain the only man ever to have qualified for the Olympic finals at 100m, 200m and 400m.

Senegal – At recent elections **Mr. Momar Mbaya** became President and **Mr. Jean Gomis** was re-elected as General Secretary. President Mbaya was an international 400m hurdler and national coach for hurdles, and is a Technical Adviser for the Ministry of Sport & Leisure.

Mongolia – The member federation is now known as the **Mongolian Athletic Federation**

Turks & Caicos Islands – **The Thyroid Outstanding Citizen Award** (named after Mr. Thyroid Smith, one of TKS' most outstanding athletes) was recently presented to **Hon. Clarence Selver, Mrs. Rita Smith** and **Mr. Michael Basden**. The award recognizes people who "earn an 'A' in Education and Sports Management", according to the official announcement. Turks and Caicos Amateur Athletic Association celebrates its Silver Jubilee (25 Years) in 2002.

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2002 IAAF GOLDEN LEAGUE TOP MARKS SO FAR AS GOLDEN LEAGUE TAKES A BREAK

The first four events of the seven meeting 2002 IAAF Golden League series, Oslo, Paris, Rome and Monaco, have been spectacular, and with the Commonwealth Games and Area Championships in Africa, Asia and Europe providing a natural break, it's time to reflect on the circuit so far.

Exxon Mobil Bislett Games - 28 June

The series fired off to a dramatic start in Oslo, with a surprise defeat for USA's world 100m record holder Maurice Greene at the hands of Britain's Dwain Chambers. Hicham El Guerrouj sauntered to a win in the Mile, Benjamin Limo sprinted to a sub 13 minute 5000m victory and Dominican Republic's world champion Felix Sanchez, in his season's debut at the 400m Hurdles, was a masterly winner in 48.91. There were also comfortable victories too for USA stars Marion Jones and Gail Devers, at 100m and 100m Hurdles respectively. In the infield, Britain's world record holder Jonathan Edwards was supreme against the challenge of his younger Swedish rival Christian Olsson in the men's Triple Jump. In the women's Javelin, world record holder Osleidys Menéndez took a 63.51m win.

Largely unnoticed, Mexico's World bronze medallist **Ana Guevara (photo)** crossed the line first in the women's 400m ahead of Jamaica's World and Olympic silver medallist Lorraine Fenton. By contrast there was a memorable return to winning ways from Olympic 5000m champion Gabriela Szabo, who ran 14:46.86 for 5000m in Oslo.

Meeting Gaz de France Paris Saint-Denis - 5 July

Second victories for El Guerrouj (this time at 1500m) and for Limo in similar style to their Oslo wins – El Guerrouj was dominant throughout and Limo uncorked a great sprint finish. Sanchez, who was faced with a start list including two former World Champions and the reigning Olympic Champion, sped to a 47.91 victory, while in the Triple Jump Edwards again patted down Olsson's challenge – 17.75 to 17.60m. In the women's 100m, Jones ran 10.89, Guevara again got the better of Fenton in the 400m with a time just outside 50 seconds. Szabo took a sweet sprint victory in the 3000m and

Devers was just as dominant as in Oslo, powering to a crisp 12.56 in the 100m hurdles against World Champion Arjanette Kirkland.

With seven victories out of seven meetings required for athletes to claim a share of the IAAF Golden League Jackpot of 50 kilos of gold, Menéndez led a long list of other Oslo winners whose defeat in Paris ended their golden dream.



Ara Guevara (MEX) – a revelation of the 2002 Golden League circuit

Golden Gala – 12 July

Rome was the next IAAF Golden League meeting. Despite their absence from Jackpot contention, the male sprinters were flying. Greene was getting faster winning the 100m in 9.89, Frank Fredericks ducked under 20 seconds in the 200m and in a closely fought one lap race, Jamaica's Michael Blackwood prevailed in 44.99. El Guerrouj was as assured as ever in the mile but this time Benjamin Limo's sprint finish was useless against an impressive Morocco's Hisou Salah at 5000m. Both men went under 13 minutes.

There was no Olsson for Edwards to worry about but perhaps the Briton needed the Swede's challenge because he slumped to defeat at the hands of America's Water Davis. In the women's events, Jones won the 100m with the same time she recorded in Paris (10.89) and Devers continued her seemingly effortless progress over the sprint hurdles by winning in 12.51. Szabo, had her Jackpot hopes ruined by Kenya's Edith Masai and Ethiopia's Berhane Adere in the 5000m.

However, in the women's 400m, the form of Ana Guevara was now starting to grab the attention. Yet again she out sprinted Lorraine Fenton, in a high class sub 50 second duel – 49.51 to 49.82.

For the conclusion of the first half of the 2002 IAAF Golden League, the circuit moved to Monaco.

Herculis – 19 July

Here, all five surviving IAAF Golden League Jackpot contenders from the first three meets – El Guerrouj, Sanchez, Jones, Guevara and Devers – were successful again.

El Guerrouj neatly fended off the challenge of Kenya's Bernard Lagat in a scorchingly fast 1500m – 3:27.34 to 3:27.91.

In the 400m hurdles, Sanchez came off the final bend under pressure from France's resurgent 1997 World Champion Stéphane Diagana but held on to finish with a fine 47.86 clocking. Marion Jones powered away after a characteristically slow start to run her season's quickest 10.84. Her confrontation with world 100m Champion Zhanna Pitushevich-Block (world season's lead, 10.83) is now keenly awaited at the Zurich Weltklasse.

Leaving no doubt that she is World Number 1 at 400m, Guevara had another one lap tussle with Fenton, with both women going under 50 seconds. Guevara was the strongest at the line with 49.25 to Fenton's 49.30, with new Mexican and Jamaican records as a result. For Devers, it was "business and usual". She has run with such assurance to date, effortlessly clearing the barriers at all her Golden League races, and Monaco was no exception. She won again in a fluent 12.42. One of the varquished Jackpot hunters, Romania's Gabriela Szabo, who had been defeated in Rome, bounced back with a brilliant European 3000m record of 8:21.42 after a stirring duel with Paula Radcliffe.

The 2002 IAAF Golden League moves next to the Weltklasse in Zürich on 16 August, is followed by the Memorial Van Damme in Brussels (30 August) and concludes with ISTAF 2002 in Berlin on 6 September.



World Record in Paris and Thrilling World Cup in Madrid Cap a Great Track Season

As I write these words, the athletics track season has reached its climax with an exciting edition of the IAAF World Cup in the Spanish Capital of Madrid. But this event was just the last in what has been a series of top class competitions, which have shown the rich potential of our sport.

First of all, we had the IAAF Coca-Cola World Junior Championships in the middle of July. The entire Jamaican nation supported the event. The crowds grew each day until the final weekend, when a capacity crowd of 36,000 enthusiastic spectators filled the stadium, leaving 9,000 people queuing outside! This passion was passed on to the young athletes and we were treated to a number of world class performances.

Immediately after this event, were many other top Athletic events which contributed to the positive mood about the sport. The Commonwealth Games in Manchester showed just how popular our sport is in the United Kingdom. Disappointingly though, the stadium will never again host athletics (it is being converted to a football stadium for Manchester's second team Man City). The European Championships took place in Munich. Here, despite very rainy weather, we were treated to great performances and big crowds. Once again, it was made clear that Germany is a key nation in terms of athletics culture.

But I am also glad to report that the African and Asian Championships, which took place at the same time in Tunis and Colombo respectively, were also great adverts for the sport. Noteworthy in both cases was the fact that the TV coverage was top class. The Asian Championships could boast of average evening sessions of more than 20,000 spectators, which is a record for an athletics event in Sri-Lanka.

Finally, the last ever IAAF Grand Prix Final in Paris on 14 September brought us a startling and unexpected new World Record in the Men's 100m.



Not only did Tim Montgomery's 9.78 performance leapfrog him into equal first place, but won him the Overall Grand Prix Title, despite being only third behind Felix Sanchez and Hicham El Guerrouj at the start of the competition. But thanks to the bonus points Montgomery earned by *breaking* the World Record, all three athletes were equal on 116 points after their races, and because Montgomery's 9.78 was a better performance than El Guerrouj's 3:29.27 run in the 1500m when judged with the IAAF Scoring Tables, the sprinter won the "tie-break". The difference between just equalling and actually bettering the old record was 1/100th of a second – but also worth \$100,000 to Tim Montgomery, whose daily earning added up to an impressive \$250,000!

With Africa winning its fourth consecutive Men's title and Russia's Women proving superior to even the Continental teams, the IAAF World Cup in Madrid on 20-21 September, provided a fitting climax to the track season, which even the torrential rain storms couldn't dampen.

Lamine Diack
IAAF President



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from IAAF Headquarters

SPORTEL 2002 FOCUSES ON CHANGING RIGHTS MARKET

SPORTEL 2002

IAAF President Lamine Diack was a key note speaker at this year's edition of Sportel, the Sports TV Trade Show, in Monaco on 30 September. The President spoke about the future of Sports TV rights from an IAAF perspective and, while acknowledging that the economic slowdown would inevitably also affect sport rights, he stressed that the IAAF remained in a strong negotiating position, and was also well prepared to cope with any adjustment of rights income in the coming years. He also stressed that the old "sell-buy" relationship between sport and TV was now outdated and needed to be replaced by a new partnership approach where quality of product becomes a mutual goal.

ATHENS 2004 SITE VISIT

IAAF Technical Delegates paid a site visit to Athens on 23/24 September. Some fine-tuning to the timetable was made but a decision still has to be taken about the start time of the Marathon, and in particular whether the race should have a morning or an afternoon start:

It is preferable that both races start at the same time but the Men's race will not be able to start before 10:00 am since the relevant roads cannot be closed before then as they provide access to the rowing venue. The proposed alternative is a 17:00 start.

The Technical Delegates have carefully considered the likely climatic conditions and concluded that while the temperature would not differ significantly for morning or afternoon starts, there is more humidity in the morning. More importantly, the finish of a morning race would be around noon – when the sun would be at its most fierce. The IAAF Medical Committee will now be asked for their opinion and a final decision will be taken at the next IAAF Council Meeting on 15-16 November.

CIRCUIT UPDATE

The composition of the new IAAF Circuit – with 4 levels of meeting – is now virtually complete for 2003, following a meeting of the IAAF Circuits Working Group, in Paris, on 14 September.

The IAAF Golden League will be cut from seven to six meetings in 2003.

Berlin, Brussels, Oslo, Paris, Rome and Zurich will again host Golden League meetings with Monaco dropping out because it is scheduled to host next year's World Athletics Final.

Yet the composition of the other meeting tiers was also discussed, pending the final approval of the IAAF Council in November. At present, the following meetings will have Super Grand Prix status: Eugene, Lausanne, London and Stockholm, with between 3 and 5 more venues to be added from the following list of candidates (in alphabetical order): Athens, Doha, Madrid, Ostrava and Sheffield.

IAAF COMMEMORATIVE BOOK

As part of the Celebrations for the IAAF's 90th Jubilee, a Commemorative Book is being produced in English and French, and will be printed in time for the World Athletics Gala.

The book includes the following chapters and authors, and recounts the significant milestones in the IAAF's history since 1912:

What is the IAAF?: (*I Gyulai*);

What is Athletics?: (*R Pariente*);

The IAAF Presidents: (*A Takac*);

Sport or Spectacle?: (*A Metcalfe*);

Technical Milestones:
(*E Locatelli and F Dick*);

The Most Accurate Sport?:
(*AL Julin*);

Evolution of IAAF Rules and Equipment (*D Johnson*);

Evolution of IAAF Competition Programme (*R Quercetani*);

A History of Road Running
(*K Nakamura*);

Athletics as a force for change
(*D Miller*);

The Rise of Women's Athletics
(*P Radford*);

IAAF Development Strategy:
(*A Francis*);

Athletes who mastered other fields: (*G Schwenk*);

20 years of Change: (*A Billouin*);

Amateurism – The victims:
(*R Pariente*);

Evolution of the IAAF TV and Marketing Programme: (*P Weiss*);

The Future of Athletics: (*I Gyulai*);

TAKING CONTROL OF ATHLETES "WHEREABOUTS"

When IAAF Competition Awards were introduced in 1997, we also insisted that only athletes who had 2 out-of-competition doping controls, in the 12 months prior to the event, would be eligible for payment. The system worked reasonably well until the IAAF decided to extend the prize money from first 3 to top 8 in 2001. Such a dramatic increase in the target group meant that many more tests were now required and the "whereabouts" of many more athletes needed to be obtained to make surprise doping controls possible at all. An unacceptable number of athletes were affected in Edmonton, because the system of finding, then testing, was inadequate.

Since the Out of Competition Testing system depends on a database of accurate information the IAAF decided to dedicate one experienced member of staff full-time to supervise the Whereabouts Project, and also to work closely not only with the National Federations, as was the previous practice, but also with Athlete Representatives and even the Athletes themselves.

Although the Project was begun only this summer, I am delighted to report that ALL athletes at the recent Grand Prix Final in Paris satisfied the relevant Criteria. Although the final results from the World Cup (which involved many more athletes than in Paris) have not yet been processed, the initial investigation is also extremely satisfactory.

RACE WALKING PANEL

Preparations are nearly complete for three examinations for the IAAF's top Panel of Race Walking Judges. The aim is to produce a final "A" list of around 30 Walking Judges. This Panel will then be called on for most major competitions, thus building up even more experience with the passing of time.

The exams, which will be held in October in Singapore, Cancun and Paris will test knowledge of rules, practical application of rules as well as fitness and visual acuity.

A review of the Race Walking Judge's Panel is the latest in a

number of steps taken over recent years to improve standards in the organization of race walking events.

Incidentally, the hi-tech Seiko electronic warning and disqualification system, which is used at IAAF events but was not used at the Sydney Olympics (with unfortunate consequences) **will** be used at the 2004 Olympics in Athens.

YOUTH ATHLETICS WORKSHOP

The recent World Cup in Madrid was the occasion for a Workshop on Youth Athletics, restricted to half a dozen experts, was to reflect on the future of IAAF Youth Competitions. A summary report will be presented to the Development Commission in November and to the IAAF Council.

NOVEMBER MEETINGS

As well as an IAAF Council Meeting on 15-16, November will be a busy time for meetings at the IAAF HQ in Monaco. The

Financial Commission and the Development Commission are both meeting prior to Council, where the following World Athletics Series event venues will be selected:

2004-2005 World Half Marathon Championships

2005 World Youth Championships

2006 World Indoor Championships

2007 World Championships in Athletics.

Regarding the 2007 IAAF World Championships in Athletics, on 30 August, the President and I were delighted to receive Toru Hirakata, the Chairman of the International Affairs Committee of the Japanese Association of Athletics Federations, who formally presented Osaka's bid. Interest in hosting this event has also been expressed by Berlin.

More details about the upcoming Council will be published in the next edition of the IAAF News.

Istvan Gyulai
IAAF General Secretary

Gustav Schwenk – 50 years of Athletics Journalism



At an AIPS reception on the last Saturday (10 August) of competition at the European Championships in Munich, IAAF General Secretary Istvan Gyulai presented on behalf of the IAAF a trophy to the legendary German sports writer Gustav Schwenk, in recognition of his '50 Years of Contribution to International Athletics Journalism.' Schwenk is also a member of the IAAF Press Commission and often acts as Press Delegate at IAAF events.

The AIPS reception was hosted by Michael Johnson and Sergey Bubka and supported by the Laureus Awards Sports Foundation.

World Records Ratified

Senior Women:

3000m Steeplechase - 9:21.72, Alesya Turova, (BLR), Ostrava, 12 June 2002 and also: 9:22.29, Justyna Bak (POL), Milano, 5 June 2002.

5000m Walk - 20:02.60, Gillian O'Sullivan (IRL), Dublin, 13 July 2002.

Junior Men:

1500m – 3:30.24, Cornelius Chirchir (KEN), Monaco, 19 July 2002.

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Bubka appointed IOC Athletes' Commission Chairman

IAAF Council Member and six-time Pole Vault World Champion Sergey Bubka has been appointed Chairman of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) Athletes' Commission, the IOC announced on 27 August.

Bubka, 39, was proposed by IOC president Jacques Rogge and officially designated in Lausanne to replace five time Olympic sailor Peter Tallberg of Finland.

"I am honoured to be voted Chairman of the Athletes' Commission," said the Ukrainian who was also the 1988 Olympic gold medallist. "As the first active athlete's representative on the IOC Executive Board I have enjoyed playing a role for athletes in the IOC since 2000. This new position will allow me to further the work of Peter Tallberg by giving the athletes a strong voice within the Olympic movement."

The Athletes' Commission is composed of 19 members with the majority being active athletes elected by their peers.

Bubka bettered the World Record 35 times and is the current record holder with 6.15m. He has been a member of the IOC Athletes' Commission since 1996 and was elected to the IOC Executive Board as the first athlete's representative in 2000.

Arne Haukvik passes away

Arne Haukvik, former director of the Oslo Bislett Games, has passed away, age 76, after a long battle with cancer. Haukvik, created the famous Oslo strawberry party, which brought together top athletes and journalists in his own back garden, but was also director of the Bislett Games from 1966 until 1985. After that time, he has continued to support the meeting, a distinctive track side figure in his straw hat.

"This is a very sad loss for the sport," said IAAF President Lamine Diack. "Arne was an enthusiastic lover of the sport who always put the athletes first. During his time as meet director, the Bislett Games became one of the most famous track meetings in the world. Even when he was very ill, he continued to support the event. We will all miss him and our thoughts are with his family."

Diagana and May elected to EAA Athletes Commission

During the European Championships in Munich the athletes had the opportunity to elect their representatives for the Athletes Commission of the European Athletic Association. Among the six elected athletes we find the 400m hurdles European champion Stéphane Diagana (FRA) and long jump World champion Fiona May (ITA).

Seventeen athletes from 12 countries were candidates for the

second election of the athletes' commission which is chaired by EAA Council Member Irena Szewinska (POL) with DLV President Clemens Prokop (GER) acting as vice-chairman.

For the period 2002 - 2006 the following six athletes were elected:

Fiona May (Italy - Long Jump: 1st WICH 95, 2nd OG 96 + 00, 2nd WCH 99, 1st WCH 01);

Kim Gevaert (Belgium - 60 m: 1st EICH 02);

Thorey Edda Elisdottir (Iceland - Pole Vault: 6th WCH 01, 22nd OG 00, 13th WCH 99);

Stéphane Diagana (France - 400 m Hurdles: 1st WCH 97, 2nd WCH 99, 1st ECH 02);

Valentin Kononen (Finland - 50 km Walk: 2nd WCH 93+ ECH 98, 1st WCH 95, 7th OG 96, 9th WCH 97);

Nuno Fernandes (Portugal - Pole Vault: 18th OG 96, 9th WICH 01).

Asian Athletics Coaches' Association is founded

In the presence of IAAF Vice President Dapeng Lou, more than 50 coaches and Federation officials met on 8 August on the occasion of the 14th Asian Athletics Championships in Colombo, Sri Lanka in order to witness the foundation of the Asian Athletics Coaches' Association (AACA).

The meeting, which was chaired by AAA Council Member Eidi Alijani (IRI), approved by acclamation the election of Feng Shuyong (CHN) as the President of this newly formed association. Mr. Shuyong is the National Head Coach of his country and also a certified IAAF Level I and II Lecturer. IAAF Member Services Director, Bjorn Wangemann gave a keynote speech on the political implication of Area Coaches' Associations from the viewpoint of the IAAF. Asia is now the fifth IAAF Area to have its own Coaches' Association. Plans have been made to form a Coaches' Association of Oceania in December in Christchurch, New Zealand, on the occasion of the Area Championships.

Jim Alford (GBR), a former Commonwealth Champion over 1- Mile who used to work as a Senior Consultant in the IAAF Development Department in London, was invited by the Asian Athletics Association as guest of honor to witness the foundation of the coaches association. Jim had done a lot for the development of athletics especially in Asia at the beginning of the IAAF Development Programme in the 1970s as a lecturer on coaches' courses. He addressed the meeting with a refreshing speech about the Human Aspects and Responsibilities of Coaching. At the age of 88, Jim still spends a lot of his time on the track where he is coaching youngsters and gives advice to upcoming coaches.

High Risk?...exploring the US debate into Pole Vault safety

In an occasional new series of articles designed to stimulate debate on various aspects of our sport, **Canadian Sports writer Paul Gains explores recent developments in the USA, which aim to increase the safety in the Pole Vault**

America has a glorious history in the Pole Vault but a series of accidents in the event in the last few decades has prompted a debate into ways of increasing safety in one of the most dramatic and crowd pleasing disciplines in the athletics programme.



Since 1980 the National Centre for Catastrophic Sport Injury Research, which is based at the University of North Carolina, has recorded 44 pole vaulting accidents which have led to 20 deaths. Three of these fatalities occurred during a seven week period last winter, setting off alarm bells across the nation. Then, at the 2002 Oslo Golden League meeting, American Toby Stevenson who was wearing a safety helmet missed the pit and was carried from the stadium by ambulance.

The majority of accidents occur at high school level where facilities are often suspect. But on 23 February Penn State University sophomore Kevin Dare fell head first into the planting box while competing at the Big 10 indoor championships. He died of massive head injuries. The fact that he was the reigning U.S. junior champion competing at a first class facility obviously provoked a question.

If a technically sound athlete with a strong mentor can suffer a tragic end what about the thousands of young people who do not belong

to such a programme of excellence?

“Pole vaulting goes on in over 14,000 American high schools and many, many of those schools have minimum or sub minimum standard landing pads,” says Jan Johnson, the 1972 Olympic bronze medalist who is also Chairman of the USATF Pole Vault Safety Committee. “When you go through the catastrophic injuries, with the exception of Kevin Dare I might add, they are almost always on really small landing pads.”

Earlier this year various state legislatures responded to what they deemed a crisis by making helmet use mandatory for high school vaulters. So far Minnesota, North Dakota, Wisconsin, New York and Pennsylvania have either passed legislation on helmet use or have bills pending.

Among the leading proponents of Pole Vault safety reforms is Ed Dare, the father of Kevin Dare. He has formed an organisation dedicated to preventing further tragedies called Vault For Life. Recently the National High Schools Federation amended their rules governing the minimum size of landing pits and the NCAA has followed this initiative for it's competitions. **The minimum bed has been increased to 19' 8" (6m) wide by 16' 5" (5m) deep.** Dare applauds this move which came shortly after his son's death.

Dare says he is also excited by the prospects of a new planting box which is being designed by Jan Johnson and engineers at the University of Akron. This contains various safety features. Although Johnson is one of the architects of this box he cautions against relying on this.

“I don't think we should design pole vault planting boxes that allow you to land in them because that brings up a whole other set of dangers,” Johnson explains, “**I want to see the perimeter around the box itself padded.** I have two prototypes of planting boxes at my centre here. We are jumping on one of them and it's



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going to give a little bit more measure of protection.”

Helmets, pads and specially designed planting boxes are all fine but others argue that today's vaulters are not being taught proper technique. Many young vaulters attempt to hold the pole much higher than they should or use poles that are too heavy. These views are shared by Harry Groves who is the head coach at Penn State University.

“I have been coaching for 50 years. How many accidents have we had in that time? None until Kevin. It was an accident that couldn't have been prevented. It's like a guy getting hit crossing the road. The pits were fine,” Groves maintains. “When you listen to the experts it always comes back to four things; pit size, padding the uprights around the bar, padding around the box and padding around the pit if it's on concrete. Anything beyond that is grasping at straws.”

Groves also cautions against the use of helmets saying that this causes other problems: impairment of vision, they tilt the head upon landing which can lead to spinal cord damage, and they can give a vaulter a false sense of security. And there isn't a helmet which has been specifically designed nor approved for the vault. Ed Dare believes that by the upcoming indoor season two companies he is working with will have helmets approved by the American Society of Tests and Measurement.

“I know I will never get Kevin back,” Ed Dare says, “And I know Kevin really loved the sport and he would never want to see anything happen to the sport negatively. So it's been a good relief for me to at least ...have it so no other parent or athlete will have to go through what we went through.”

Photo – Toby Stevenson receives medical attention after his accident in Oslo (Allsport)

Sweden v Finland - 61,094 spectators!

TIME FOR THE DUAL MATCH TO MAKE A REAL COMEBACK?

With one foot proudly resting in the past, the Finland vs Sweden dual match also retains a sure footing in the present as Lennart Julin reports...

Once upon a time - actually not that very long ago - the great bulk of international athletics activities consisted of matches between national teams. For those few athletes not lucky enough to go to the Olympics (every fourth year) or to the Continental Championships (also every fourth year) these matches provided the almost only opportunity to experience international competition.

Of course there were some international invitational meets but they were very few and far between until the late 1970's. But then the "circuits" gradually started to grow and just as gradually they squeezed the international matches out of the calendar. The just about only "remnant" now is the European Cup, but that has also been forced to shrink from the old 3-round to a 1-round format.

Then there is "Finnkampen"! Inaugurated back in 1925 this yearly match between neighbours and athletic arch-rivals Sweden and Finland has managed to survive. And it has not just survived, it has actually managed to keep - among both the athletes and the general public in the two nations - its position as one of the true sporting highlights of the year.

Despite live TV broadcasts with superb viewing figures, **the stadium stands are traditionally packed by fans - 61,094 in 2002** - who have no problem keeping their enthusiasm going for some four hours of competition per day.

The only slight change in the modern era is that the rivalry in the stands has become much more good-humoured. You are cheering for your own athletes but you don't anymore boo or whistle their rivals.



Top performances achieve the same kind of support and acclaim regardless of nationality. When this year's match was held in Helsinki's Olympic Stadium the "Swedish jumping brigade", headed by Kajsa Bergqvist and Christian Olsson, paid back this support by doing much, much more than what was necessary to secure maximum points for their team.

Bergqvist had her High Jump win secured after two jumps at 1.83 and 1.88, but still treated the spectators to brilliant 1.96 and 2.01 clearances. Likewise, European Triple Jump champion Christian Olsson, having effectively won the event with a 16.63 opener came back after two rounds of rest to record 17.31. And the next day he returned as a long jumper scoring valuable points for the team by finishing second!

Yet despite brilliant efforts by star athletes: **The real secret of "Finnkampen" is that it is not only about the stars.** With three athletes per nation per event, the final outcome is just as much dependent upon the often

anonymous second and third string athletes and their ability to rise to the occasion and get that extra unexpected point.

In Finnish, this ability to fight until your last breath, for every centimetre or every hundredth of a second, is famously called "sisu."

Lots of *sisu* is always demonstrated during these matches and as such the statistical projections for the match based on yearly best marks are upset more often than not. Last year in Göteborg, Sweden won the men's match by 33 points - this year it was Finland winning by 35!

Such a swing might seem awkward but if you break it down you find out that the explanation is simply which nation managed to show the greatest *sisu* in all those numerous encounters for third or fourth or fifth place - between one individual Finn and one individual Swede - that make up the match. "Finnkampen" is an occasion where the unsung heroes are just as important as the acclaimed stars.

The final outcome of this year's match with the Finnish men and the Swedish women winning provides the perfect setting for the 63rd edition of "Finnkampen" to be hosted next summer by Sweden as both nations will be hungry for revenge and for retaining supremacy.

So the future of this international match - the only "living" one in the athletics world - looks just as exciting as its legendary history.

Photo - scene from the 2002 Finnkampen, Helsinki. (Hasse Sjögren).



Botswana AAA celebrates 30 years

Tobokani Moseitla and Moses Moruisi (President and Secretary of the BAAA) report on the history of the Botswana Amateur Athletics Association (BAAA) which was established 30 years ago

On 18 June 1972, 22 people from different towns and villages of Botswana met at Gaborone Secondary School interested in forming a national athletics body. A steering committee chaired by Mr. C.A. Motsepe was set up to draft the constitution of the Association. The committee included K.N Sebege, D Finlay and C. Dambe. Organising representatives from different towns and villages were chosen to organise different competitions in their respective areas.

The BAAA was officially registered on 31 June 1979 and its first President was Mompoti Merafe.

The objective of the BAAA is to promote and develop athletics in Botswana. We have achieved great strides from the early days when athletes ran bare footed in major games and when there were no qualified coaches. We currently have World Ranked athletes in the 400m, 800m and Long Jump. We have 49 IAAF level 1 and two level II coaches. Gable Garenamotse won silver at the Commonwealth Games, the first ever athletics medal for Botswana at any major games. Kabelo Mmono also won silver at the recent African

championships in the High Jump to bring our international tally for the year to two medals.

We have launched our 30 year celebrations with special events to showcase and celebrate athletics nationally, concluding with our annual sports awards in December.

With the collective input of member Clubs, the Botswana National Sports Council, Schools and Corporate partners, together with guidance and support from the IAAF, we will continue to help the young people of Botswana make the most of their athletics ability.

Uruguay celebrates 90th IAAF Jubilee

A road race in Montevideo at the end of July not only helped to mark the 83rd birthday of the Club Atlético Stockolmo, but gave the Confederación Atlética de Uruguay an opportunity to also mark the IAAF's 90th Jubilee.

Over 100 athletes participated, divided in various categories, and competing over different distances in rainy conditions. The winners of the main event, contested over 10.5km, were Washington Veleda (Los Ñandúes) and Ana Paula Díaz (Campus de Maldonado). Participants received trophies, medals and Jubilee Promotional material sent by the IAAF including T-shirts, pins, key-rings and posters.

The Club Stockolmo has been part of our athletics scene since 1919, and relished this opportunity to take part in this feast of worldwide athletics. Appropriately, the club itself was named after the Swedish capital where the IAAF was founded in 1912 and where the IAAF resided until the 1940s!

IAAF Handbook – Translations

All those Member Federations who have translated the IAAF Handbook into their own local language to assist in particular their Technical Officials are congratulated on their initiative.

The IAAF would also like to thank several countries who

have also sent copies of these translations to Monaco

We have received these from among others Egypt, Poland, Czech Republic, Iceland. We are also aware of a Chinese version but have yet to receive a copy.

It would be much appreciated if any Member Federation who has published their own translated version could send a couple of copies to the IAAF offices for our archives.

News in Brief

Belarus Athletic Federation - the correct telephone and fax number is +375 17 237 3218.

Athletics Association of Lithuania - new fax numbers now apply +370 531 33 007 or 61 209 or 63 556.

Member Federation – recent Elections:

President: *MALDIVES* - Mr. Maizan Ali Maniku; *TURKEY* - Mr. Huseyin Yildirim.

Acting President: *HUNGARY* – Mr Gyula Lsivotzky (pending elections on 10 November).

Secretary: *BANGLADESH* – Mr MD Shah Alam; *LIECHTENSTEIN* - Mr. Edi Bischofberger; *MALDIVES* – Ms. Aminath Haleem; *FINLAND* – Mr. Kari Saarinen replaces Mr. Antti Pihlakoski as General Secretary, as the latter has been appointed as Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to the IAAF World Championships in Athletics in Helsinki 2005.

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Montreal Conference on “Women and Sport” From Brighton to Montreal – eight years of successful development

In 1994 in Brighton, England, an **International Working Group on Women and Sport** started its special global activities. It marked the beginning of a strategic and coordinated international effort to redress the imbalances women face in their participation and involvement in sport.

It's overriding aim was “to develop a sporting culture that enables and values the full involvement of women in every aspect of Sport.”

The Namibian Government hosted the next conference in 1998 under the banner, “Reaching out for Change”, aimed at challenging women to reach beyond the traditional boundaries of sport. Over 400 delegates of both genders from 74 countries participated. There were key note speeches by members of the IAAF,

UN, IOC and UNESCO....

This year the third conference was held in Montreal, Canada in May, at which the numbers participating rose to about 500 women and men from 97 countries, with “Investing in Change” as the key note slogan.

There was “Skills Day” organised to develop and enhance personal leadership skills. Elsewhere on the programme, Richard Pound, the Head of WADA, made a 30 minute presentation on marketing strategies focused on women in sport and on the evening of the second day, Billie-Jean King spoke of her own successful way as athlete, President of the WTA (World Tennis Association) and founder of a US Sport Foundation for women.

The whole programme was designed to promote interaction, emphasize practical experience and explore ways to support positive change in women's sport. The IAAF was well represented by Council Member Abby Hoffman, Ilse Bechthold as well as Giovanna Rousseau, Irena Szewinska, Grace Jackson and Maria Caridad Colon-Ruenes from the IAAF Women's Committee.

The Montreal Conference offered a unique opportunity to share experiences, strengthen international connections and find ways to stimulate action at local, national and international levels thanks to a great diversity of cultural origin of participants and presenters.

The next conference will take place in Kumamoto, Japan in 2006.

POSITIVE CASES IN ATHLETICS, SANCTIONED DEFINITELY, ACCORDING TO INFORMATION RECEIVED BY THE IAAF AS OF 24 September 2002

CHAUSSINAND	David	FRA	IAAF + Nat OOC	23.5, 9.+24.6.02	3-years ineligibility
HAMILTON	James	USA	Pittsburgh Marathon (USA)	05.05.02	Public Warning
SDAD	Mustapha	MAR	National OOC / V Meeting Internacional Ciudad (ESP)	27.03/06.04.02	3-years ineligibility
GONCALVEF	Isilda	POR	Portuguese Road Walking Chmps	16.02.02	Public Warning
ZUBEK	Roman	CZE	Prague Championships	13.05.00	2-years ineligibility (until 10.05.04)
KONOPKA	Mikulás	SVK	EAA Indoor Champs, Vienna (AUT)	02.03.02	2 years ineligibility
WILKINS	Perris	GBR	National OOC	21.05.02	2-years ineligibility
ADSUAR BANULS	Antonio	ESP	Ciudad de Torrevieja	03.04.02	3-months ineligibility
KORSUNOV	Olga	RUS	Russian Championships		2-years ineligibility
KHANAFEYEVA	Zulfiya	RUS	Russian Championships		3-months ineligibility
CHAIB	Amar	ALG	Tour du Pays de Caux (FRA)	10.05.02	3-months ineligibility
CLAVELLE	Marcus	USA	US Open	08.06.02	2-years ineligibility

This list represents the athletes who have been sanctioned for a doping offence by their Federation since the last issue of the IAAF News. A Public Warning also entails disqualification from the competition in which the positive sample was provided. Dates correspond to the positive doping control test and not the beginning of the ineligibility period.

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‘...The Mother of All Sports’

The 2002 edition of the World Athletics Gala celebrated 90 years of the IAAF, as well as a fantastic year of athletics

Here is the full Gala speech of IAAF President Lamine Diack

“It gives me great pleasure to welcome you all to this very special edition of the World Athletics Gala – which celebrates the 90th Birthday of the IAAF.

I am delighted that we have so many people here today who have contributed so much to our sport. As I look around, I am delighted to see some legends of our past, this year’s stars but also many youngsters who are ready to take up the baton!

It is not easy to describe the rich evolution of the IAAF and our sport over the past nine decades, a period in which the world itself has changed beyond recognition.

Back in 1912, the IAAF was established with 17 founder Members and today we have 210, more than the International Olympic Committee and even the United Nations. We are the biggest Sports Association in the world and the most universal, because we have great champions in every corner of the globe.

We are also a sport that treats men and women as equals. Back in 1928, there were only five events for women to contest at the Olympics. Today, the only athletics event that is not also open to women is the 50km walk. The IAAF also pays exactly the same prize money to both men and women.

In the field of Anti-Doping, the IAAF continues to take its leadership role seriously by conducting over 2000 tests in 2002, both in

and out-of-competition. In 2002, the IAAF became the first sports federation to test for EPO out-of-competition, without warning.



HSH Prince Albert of Monaco, Athletes of the Year Hicham El Guerrouj & Paula Radcliffe and IAAF President Lamine Diack

Finally, we are a sport that is open to all, regardless of race or religion, age or gender. Athletics is rich in variety. There is something for everyone since running, jumping and throwing form the basis of all human movement.

I like to say that we are the Mother of All Sports. It’s for this reason that Athletics remains the crowning glory of the Summer Olympic Games.”

Lamine Diack, IAAF President.

Monte Carlo Sporting Club, 17 November 2002

IAAF Council Meeting in Monte-Carlo

The IAAF Council met at the Grand Hotel, Monte-Carlo, 15/16 November. IAAF General Secretary Istvan Gyulai now summarises the Council's discussions –

2004 Olympic Games Timetable and Qualifying Standards

Marathons - Within our sport, the Olympic movement and the media in general, there has and continues to be discussion about the appropriate start times for the Athens Olympic Marathon races. The case for either morning or evening start times, are many and varied, and there are many factors weighing for and against both options.

There is of course tradition, as the Marathon has historically been the final event of the entire Olympic programme.

The weather is maybe the most important determinant but we are aware that in the morning it will be hot and humid in Athens, while in the evening it will be even hotter but less humid.

There is also the factor of media exposure, for if the races were held to coincide with an evening competition session in the stadium, the focus on this classic discipline would become blurred because of the other events that will also be taking place at the same time. This situation affects as much the television audience as it does those spectators watching in the stadium.

Finally, there is also a logistical problem given that the marathon course straddles the road access to another competition venue, that of rowing, which would have to be closed during the race and so the timing of the marathon at some points of the day could also affect the programme of another Olympic sport.

As of now, following careful examination of studies provided by medical experts regarding the Heat Stress Factor (the physiological effect of heat and humidity) Council recommends that the Marathon races

at the 2004 Olympic Games in Athens should start at 07:00 in the morning or at 19:00 in the evening.

Relays - The Olympic qualification procedure for the four Relay disciplines – men and women's 4x100m & 4x400m - was also discussed. The IOC's quota for Athens in our sport is 2000, therefore the best 16 teams (in each of the four events) will qualify for the Games. These squads will qualify on the basis of their average 2 best performances recorded in the period 01/01/03 and 21/07/04. In case of a tie in the average, the team with the quickest result will win.

Council agreed that in relation to the **World Cross Country, World Half Marathon and World Race Walking Cup**, as it was nearly impossible to find evidence – due to the infinite number of races/events and variances in type of terrain and course - to determine the claims of athletes that they had qualified for financial support, a new form of qualification was required.

To simplify the qualification situation only athletes achieving standards actually during these WAS events themselves – where accordingly the standards can be easily verifiable and applicants are judged when by equal conditions - will be eligible for financial support, and with respect to this decision a new set of standards will be announced shortly.

The False Start Rule

Numerous elite athletes have expressed concern about the decision of the 2001 IAAF Congress in Edmonton to approve the new **False Start rule**, which will come into operation in the New Year. Council discussed the situation and recognised these concerns and that the very closeness of the Congress's original decision meant the sport as a whole was evidently unsure. However, the

presiding view was that at this stage there is no room for hesitation and that while it could have over turned the decision, the new rule will proceed as planned but under the strictest monitoring, and if problems do arise, changes would indeed be considered.

Cross Country Team Scoring

Changes to the **Cross Country Team Scoring rule** were applied last year and were certainly welcomed by the host Ireland for it allowed their women's team to claim a World bronze medal, which would not have been achieved via the old scoring criterion.

Both rules have a logic of their own. The **Old rule** that all runners that take part in the race count in accessing team positions, means that even non-scoring runners have an impetus to finish as high as possible because their finish placing still affects the overall team prize, as the higher a runner can finish can consequently affect the finishing positions of other teams' scoring runners.

By contrast, the **New rule** which eliminates from the aggregate team calculation the performances of the non-scoring members of each team and any individual runners, means the battle for team honours is exactly that, a battle *only* fought between the scoring participants of each team.

On the negative side, the new rule is a complicated system to calculate, especially as the process of disregarding the finishing positions of non-scorers and individual entrants is not easily workable with modern chip timing results systems. As such, as an experiment, the European Cross Country Championships (8 December) were allowed to revert back to the old system, with the expectation that a proposal in the future will be made to revert entirely back to the old Team scoring rule.

IAAF Competition Dates Approved

1-2 May 2004 - IAAF World Race Walking Cup in Naumburg, Germany.

14-18 July - 2004 IAAF World Junior Championships in Grosseto, Italy

5-14 August 2005 IAAF World Championships in Athletics in Helsinki, Finland

Transfers of Allegiance

Ahmed Douhou CIV to FRA; Merlene Ottey JAM to SLO; Tatyana Polnova TUR to RUS; Mira Preradovic YUG to BIH; Milos Sakic YUG to SLO; Sylvie Eloundou CMR to FRA; Margaret Maury KEN to FRA; Fabio Ruzzier ITA to SLO; Samuel Okantey GHA to IRL.

from IAAF Headquarters

New 'Whereabouts System'

The IAAF is currently putting in place the final touches to its new Whereabouts Information System, which it is anticipated will be up and running early in the new year. The new system seeks to address some of the difficulties that the IAAF has experienced in the past in obtaining the necessary whereabouts information from the athletes. First and foremost, this has meant looking at ways to make the provision of whereabouts easier from the athletes' point of view. This has included amongst other things the appointment of a former athlete, Jane Boulter-Davies, as the IAAF's dedicated out-of-competition officer and also the setting up a new out-of-competition

database which, when finalised, will enable athletes to provide their whereabouts information on-line. To participate, the athletes will simply require access to the internet and an active e-mail address. The IAAF programme will guide the athlete step by step through the on-line process (in the language of the athlete's choice) and will confirm to the athlete at the end of the process that the information has been successfully inputted. The athlete can log on at any time to make changes to the whereabouts on file by repeating the same process. Security measures will be put in place to ensure the confidentiality of the information that is provided and the information will be used for the purposes of out-of-competition testing only. If any athlete required to provide

whereabouts to the IAAF does not have internet access, he or she will still be able to provide the necessary information in hard copy form. We will be writing to the athletes early in the new year to explain the new system and its procedures in full.

Over 2000 Doping Controls in 2002

The Anti-Doping Commission report revealed that 2385 doping controls were conducted by, or on behalf of, the IAAF both in and out-of-competition in 2002 (as at 1 November). With regard to testing for EPO, 123 tests have been carried out by the IAAF in 2002 and the EPO testing guidelines are being revised for 2003.

2003 IAAF World Championships in Athletics - Paris, FRA

Following a statistical investigation, Council has lowered the qualifying standards for the following events -

EVENT	New Standards		Old Standards		Non-Qualified athletes entering field events – Area Associations will be asked to submit to the IAAF by the preliminary Entry Deadline, a list of athletes in their areas who they recommend for entering the field events without having achieved the corresponding entry standard. Technical Delegates will then review the list for a final decision.
	A Standard	B Standard	A Standard	B Standard	
Men					
400m	45.55	45.95	<i>45.43</i>	<i>45.74</i>	
20K Walk	1:22:30	1:24:00	<i>1:21:20</i>	<i>1:24:00</i>	
50K Walk	3:57:00	4:03:00	<i>3:53:00</i>	<i>3:58:00</i>	
Women					
20K Walk	1:33:00	1:36:30	<i>1:31:40</i>	<i>1:34:30</i>	
Long Jump	6.75	6.60	<i>6.80</i>	<i>6.65</i>	

2007 IAAF World Championships in Athletics will be held in Osaka

On 15 November, the IAAF Council, accepted a bid from the Japanese city of Osaka to host the **11 IAAF World Championships in Athletics in 2007**. The proposed dates for the Championship are 24 August to 2 September, subject to Council approval.

"Osaka presented a very impressive bid for 2007," said IAAF President Lamine Diack shortly after the announcement was made. "The technical facilities, which include the 50,000 seat Nagai stadium, are excellent and Japan has organised many athletics competitions in the past

– including the memorable 1991 World Championships in Tokyo, the 1997 Grand Prix Final in Fukuoka and the 1999 World Indoor Championships in Maebashi."

World Half Marathon Championships - New Delhi for 2004 and Edmonton for 2005

On the second day of its meeting (16 November), the IAAF Council decided that New Delhi would host the 13th edition of the World Half Marathon Championships in 2004 and that Edmonton (CAN) would organise the subsequent edition in 2005. The selection of New Delhi means that the IAAF World Half Marathon Championships will be held in Asia for the first time ever.

Panel of Race Walking Judges Approved

Following an evaluation of all IAAF Level III International Race Walking Judges on 19-20 October, Council approved the composition of a new IAAF Panel of Judges consisting of 28 Race Walking Judges, who will have at least two high level assignments in the 2003-2006 period. *The members of the Race Walking Judges Panel, and a list of upgraded Road Race Measurers will appear in the next IAAF NEWS.*

Elections for Athletes' Commission from 2003

Following the Athletes' Commission report, it was agreed that, starting at the IAAF Congress in Paris next year,

elections would be held to select 12 members of the Athletes' Commission, with the remaining members to be appointed according to the current practice.

2003 IAAF Competition Circuit Approved

Following the restructuring of the IAAF Outdoor Circuit from 2003, it was agreed that this would consist of 36 One-day meetings:

Golden League (6) - Berlin (GER), Brussels (BEL), Oslo (NOR), Paris (FRA), Rome (ITA) and Zürich (SUI).

Super Grand Prix (9) - Athens (GRE), Doha (QAT), Eugene (USA), Gateshead (GBR), Lausanne (SUI),

London (GBR), Madrid (ESP), Ostrava (SVK) and Stockholm (SWE).

Grand Prix (10) - Belem (BRA), Hengelo (NED), Helsinki (FIN), Lille (FRA), Linz (AUT), Osaka (JPN), Portland (USA), Rieti (ITA), Seville (ESP) and Zagreb (CRO)

Grand Prix II (11) - Bratislava (SVK), Heusden (BEL), Martinique (FRA), Melbourne (AUS), Milan (ITA), Nice (FRA), Palo Alto (USA), Prague (CZE), Thessaloniki (GRE), Torino (ITA) and Tula (RUS).

Istvan Gyulai
IAAF General Secretary

Hicham El Guerrouj and Paula Radcliffe are 2002 Athletes of the Year

Hicham El Guerrouj (MAR) and Paula Radcliffe (GBR) were named as **Athletes of the Year**, at the **2002 World Athletics Gala on Sunday 17 November**, which celebrated the 90th Anniversary of the International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF). Their awards were announced during a live TV broadcast at the Sporting Club of Monte-Carlo by HSH Prince Albert of Monaco, the Honorary President of the Foundation, and Lamine Diack, President of the IAAF and the International Athletic Foundation.

The other men's finalists were 100m world record holder Tim Montgomery (USA) and Felix Sanchez (DOM), who won a share of the IAAF Golden League Jackpot and was crowned 400m Grand Prix Champion in 2002.

In the women's contest the other finalists were Marion Jones (USA) and Ana Guevara (MEX), who were both Jackpot winners and Grand Prix Champions, with both also winning their event at the IAAF World Cup.

Hicham El Guerrouj (28) becomes the first man to win Athlete of the Year titles in consecutive years since the award was created in 1988, while the courageous racing tactics of **Paula Radcliffe (28)** made her a symbol of the British "bulldog spirit," as in 2002 she finally emerged as a true world beater with spectacular displays on every surface.

The first ever "Primo Nebiolo Lifetime Achievement Award" was awarded to Kip Keino. He was the first famous Kenyan track star, winning

the Olympic 1500m title in 1968 and the 3000m steeplechase title in 1972, and also setting world records at 3000m and 5000m. Following his running career he turned his own home into an orphanage and recently founded a school in his home town of Eldoret.

The Rising Star awards, celebrating the best young athletes of 2002, went to **Usain Bolt (JAM)**, who became the youngest ever World Junior Champion when winning the 200m at the World Junior Championships in Kingston, and **Carolina Klüft (SWE)**, who won the Heptathlon title in Jamaica before setting a world junior record to win the European Championships title in Munich.

A Night of Athletics Legends

In acknowledgement of the IAAF's 90th Anniversary, the guest list of the 2002 World Athletics Gala, as well as including the usual array of current stars was also burgeoning with legendary names from the sport's past.

Among the honoured guests were some celebrated speedsters, such as the two 1968 Olympic champions and world record breakers **Tommie Smith (200m)** and **Lee Evans (400m)** from the USA, and a more recent world record setting sprinter, 1995 World and 1996 Olympic 100m champion **Donovan Bailey (CAN)**.



Among the other renowned names present at the Sporting Club in Monte Carlo on Sunday 17 November, were Poland's **Irena Szewinska** (women's 1968 200m and 1976 400m Olympic gold medallist), race walking maestro **Maurizio Damilano (ITA)** who was the 1980 Olympic champion, **Dick Fosbury (USA)** the 1968 Olympic High Jump gold medallist and revolutionary stylist, the four time Olympic Discus champion **Al Oerter (USA)**, father of the Hungarian Hammer dynasty **Gyula Zsivotzky (1968 Olympic champion)** and middle distance legends **Kip Keino (1968 1500m and 1972 Steeplechase Olympic champion)** and **Paul Ereng (1988 Olympic 800m gold)** of Kenya, and Algeria's **Nouredine Morceli (three time World and 1996 Olympic 1500m champion)**.

Joining the prestigious celebrations were also two illustrious French running stars from the 1950s and 1960s, **Alain Mimoun (1956 Olympic Marathon champion)** and stylish miler **Michel Jazy (World Mile record in 1965)**. Many of the other distinguished former champions present are still serving the sport as IAAF Council members. For example, the six time World Pole Vault champion and 1988 Olympic champion **Sergey Bubka (UKR)**, 1984 Olympic women's 400m Hurdles gold medallist **Nawal El Moutawakel (MAR)**, 1976 Olympic 400m and 800m champion **Alberto Juantoreno Danger (CUB)** and former World Long Jump record holder **Igor Ter-Ovanesian (RUS)**.

World Records Ratified

Senior Men

100m - 9.78 (2.0m/s), Tim Montgomery (USA), Paris, 14 September 2002

Senior Women

3000m Steeplechase - 9:16.51, Alesya Turova (BLR), Gdańsk, 27 July 2002
25,000m - 1:27:05.9 Tegla Loroupe (KEN), Mengerkirchen, 21 September 2002

Indoor Women

800m - 1:55.82, Jolanda Ceplak (SLO), Vienna, 3 March 2002
Pole Vault - 4.75, Svetlana Feofanova (RUS), Vienna, 3 March 2002

Junior Men

110m Hurdles - 13.12 (1.6m/s), Xiang Liu (1983 CHN), Lausanne, 2 July 2002

Junior Men

4 x 100m - 38.92, (Ashton Collins, Wes Felix, Ivory Williams, Willie Hordge), USA, Kingston, 21 July 2002.

Junior Women

400m Hurdles - 54.70, Lashinda Demus (1983, USA), Kingston, 19 July 2002
Heptathlon - 6470, Carolina Klüft (1983, SWE), Kingston, 19-20 July 2002 (13.53, 1.92, 11.18, 23.81, 6.19, 46.83, 2:13.55)
Heptathlon - 6542, Carolina Klüft (1983, SWE), Munich, 9-10 August 2002 (13.33, 1.89, 13.16, 23.71, 6.36, 47.61, 2:17.99)

We continue our series of reports from the many Member Federations, who as well as celebrating the 90th Jubilee of the IAAF, have also been marking significant anniversaries of their own in 2002...

10 years of the Armenian Athletic Federation

In the national athletics history of Armenia, 11 September 2002 marked a very special Anniversary, the 10th Anniversary of the Federation *writes Maritsa Hovhannisyan*.

"From an historical point of view, 10 years are just a blink of the eye but for our Federation this period was full of work and experience, taking our first steps in the international community, our first successes and failures, achievements and losses," commented Federation President Dr. Sargis Khachatryan in the lines of his opening address to mark the occasion. A number of official awards and many congratulations were received from among others the National Olympic Committee, Ministry of Sports and the European Athletic Association.



South Africa – Ten years back in the IAAF

2002 which marked the 90th Jubilee of the IAAF was also a wonderfully significant year for South African athletics, because it was the 10th Anniversary of our return from isolation. After many years of isolation, having been suspended by the IAAF in 1976, South Africa was readmitted into international athletics in 1992, *writes Abrie de Swardt IAAF Lecturer (South Africa)*.

In the decade since her return the country has played a major role in the Southern Region of Africa, within the AAAC and in the structures of the IAAF to enhance athletics achievements much wider than within its own borders!

The Unity meetings of Dakar (18 April 1992) and Germiston (25 April 1992) were the first international competitions for South African athletes since 1976. More than 50,000 spectators packed the stadium in

Dakar, and gave a standing ovation for Elana Meyer over the last three laps of the 3000m, which she won. Four months later, at the Olympic Games in Barcelona, she won the 10,000m silver medal – South Africa's first Olympic track and field medal since 1960.

In the ten years between 1992 and 2002, South Africa gradually adapted to the high levels of top / elite international competition! The process of adaptation from isolation to serious medal contention was not an easy one – the good results looking back after ten years, were the total in put of the family of Athletics South Africa – administrators, coaches, technical officials and dedicated athletes!

The mission of Athletics South Africa is: "To make a contribution towards nation building and healing of our land, South Africa, through the sport of athletics."

Athletics South Africa is after a decade of being part of international athletics and within the family of the IAAF, indeed a very close family.

The majority of the 17 provinces have their own full time offices, from where they run their provincial affairs with their affiliated clubs, and associated bodies (like schools, disabled etc.) Each of the provinces runs their own provincial track and field, cross country and road running meetings and races, and plan their development programmes.

Athletics South Africa, as a family of provinces unified in a close relationship, is indeed on the brink of a new and second decade of top international performances! The drive to be in the top five of world athletics is definitely in full gear! South African athletics is on the move!

Great celebration in Senegal

The Senegalese Federation (FSA) seized the opportunity of its 42nd National Championships in June to celebrate the 90th Jubilee of the IAAF. This event had a peculiar cachet and almost 500 athletes gathered from ten regions of the country in front of a crowd, which included several personalities from politics, sport and military as well as members of the new federal office.



Grateful for their strong involvement in the development of athletics in Senegal, some local personalities were rewarded by the organizers who offered T-shirts, key rings, pins and posters provided by IAAF. In attendance were Abdoulaye Sèyen, President of the National Olympic and Sportive Committee, Alloune Diakhaté Mbaye, Director of physical education and sport activities, representing the sport minister, Mamadou Lamine Hanne (86) one of the pioneer of the Senegalese athletics, and Mother Awa Mbaye (72).

Local authorities used this opportunity to honour Dr Hervé Stéphan (photo left), Technical Director of the International Centre of Athletics of Dakar (CIAD). The Senegalese Federation considered that the family atmosphere of the Jubilee get-together was the best/proper time to distinguish Hervé, who is leaving Senegal after many years of good services to the Senegalese athletics. He was given many gifts and a cocktail in his honour followed the reception.

The IAAF was saddened to hear of the death of **Ramón Docal Lago** on 16 November 2002 from cancer, and offers it's sincerest condolences to his family. "He was an excellent ITO, a good friend and will be sadly missed," commented IAAF General Secretary István Gyulai.

IAAF Vice President Dapeng Lou is honoured

Dapeng Lou (CHN) was one of the first seven recipients of the Honour Medal for Sports Workers, which is awarded to individuals who have made an outstanding contribution to sport. As reported in the October issue of the "Beijing 2008" Olympic news bulletin, the presentation took place at a meeting of the National Sports Working Conference in the Chinese capital on 24 August 2002.

Privalova and Borzakovskiy back IAAF's 'Kids Athletics' Programme in Moscow

Under the umbrella of the IAAF Regional Development Centre in Moscow an "IAAF Kids Athletics" event was held on 8 November in the sports complex "Chertanovo", within the auspices of the Russian Government's programme "Youth of Russia".

Ninety boys and girls of 10-12 years of age from different parts of Russia took part in this competition. All these kids are parentless and they live in

orphanages.

The five day stay in Moscow, equipment, a social programme and the competition itself, were financed by the Goskomsport of Russia. The IAAF Regional Development Centre together with the Moscow City Sports Association were the organizers of this event.

The competition was organised under the patronage of women's Olympic

400m Hurdles champion Irina Privalova and Yuriy Borzakovskiy the World indoor 800m champion, who both took an active part in the event, and participated in the award ceremony for all competitors.

Given the success of the event, the decision was taken to make this competition a regular event, and to consider inviting teams from neighbouring countries.

IAAF MEMBER FEDERATION NEWS

Federation Name Change

Azerbaijan
Benin
Kyrgyz
Mongolia
Qatar
Solomon

Azerbaijan Athletics Federation
Fédération Béninoise d'Athlétisme
Athletic Federation of the Kyrgyz Republic
Mongolian Athletic Federation
Qatar Association of Athletics Federation
Athletics Solomon

Elections – South American Athletic Confederation

President: Roberto Gesta de Melo (BRA)
Senior Vice-President: Eduardo Nicolas Bernal (ARG)
Vice Presidents: Ciro Solano Hurtado (COL), Patricio Smith (CHI)

Elections – President

Botswana
Cambodia (Khmer)
Costa Rica
Great Britain & NI
Guatemala
Hong Kong
Hungary
Malaysia
New Zealand
Saint Lucia

Mr. Tobokani Moseletha
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Mr. Lynn Davies
Mr. Luis Gustavo Walters Najarro
Mr. William Ko
Mr. Gusztáv Rábold
Mr. Dato HJ Khalid Yunus
Mr. Allan Potts
Mr. Alfred Emmanuel

Elections – Secretary / General Secretary / General Manager

Bangladesh
Botswana
Costa Rica
Djibouti
Estonia
Ghana
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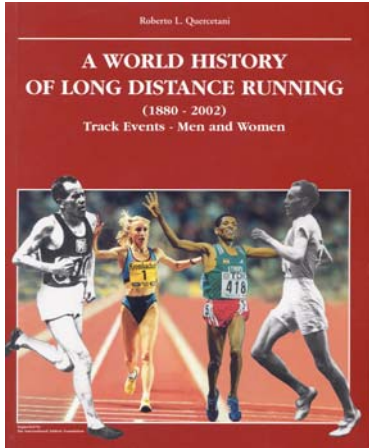
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In forthcoming editions of IAAF NEWS, we will be focusing on a number of new Member Federation Presidents and General Secretaries who have been recently elected to office. Here we begin with the most recent....



Lynn 'the Leap' heads UKA

On Sunday 24 November, 1964 Olympic Long Jump champion Lynn Davies was elected as President of UK Athletics replacing fellow Olympic champion David Hemery, the 1968 gold medallist and world record breaker at 400m Hurdles. Davies who also won the 1966 European title said "I am delighted to be elected to this very important position within UK Athletics at a time when I believe that the sport is facing a golden opportunity to move forward."



The International Athletic Foundation is pleased to announce the publication of the following two books, which it has supported.

“A World History of Long Distance Running (1880-2002)”, by **Robert L. Quercetani**. Over 300 pages and more than 100 photographs. Price including postage/packing - Europe: 36 Euros; Elsewhere: 50 Euros. This fascinating and absorbing book turns it’s attention to the 5000m and 10,000m for men and women, including nineteenth century runners. To quote from the book’s own the introduction, “the longest track events on the Olympic programme symbolize man’s most beautiful challenge in terms of endurance-to-speed.”

“The purpose of this book,” the author writes, “is to retrace the history of the 5000m and 10,000m from the pioneer days of English distance runners – who used to run over the somewhat shorter 3 and 6 miles – till present-day African

marvels.” Illustrated by more than 60 photos of such greats as Shrubbs, Nurmi, Zátopek, Kuts, Clarke, Viren, Aouita, Gebrselassie, Kristiansen, Tulu, Wang Junxia and Szabo.

“Rethinking Track & Field – The Future of the World’s Oldest Sport” by **Alphonse Juillard**. Price including postage/packing - Europe: 27 Euros; Elsewhere: 30 Euros. An unusual but innovative and provocative analysis of the ways in which to revitalize Athletics in the new millennium.

Both publications are available for sale through **SEP Edtrice, Via Roma 74, 20060 Cassina de Pecchi, Milan, Italy. Fax: + 39 02 95 22 330; email: info@sepeditrice.it**

POSITIVE CASES IN ATHLETICS, SANCTIONED DEFINITELY,

ACCORDING TO INFORMATION RECEIVED BY THE IAAF AS OF 26 November 2002

WHITLOCK	Janine	GBR	Aqua Pura Commonwealth G. Trials	16.06.02	2-year ineligibility
COELLO TACHE	Gina	HON	VII Central American Games (GUA)	02.12.01	2-year ineligibility
COX	Crystal	USA	NACAC Under 25 Championships	11.08.02	Public Warning
CHATT	Youssef	MAR	Cross Punta de Parayas, Maliano (ESP)	03.02.02	2-year ineligibility
			IV Cross Int. Ciudad, Zaragoza (ESP)	10.02.02	
MENSAH	Amewu	GER	Int. Pfingstsportfest, Rehlingen (GER)	04.06.01	2-year ineligibility
SCHOEMAN	Adri	RSA	Absa Series I. Germiston (RSA)	25.01.02	2-year ineligibility
LATYSHEVA	Mariya	UKR	Hannover Marathon (GER)	05.05.02	10-month ineligibility
MARTONE	Annunziata	ITA	Master Indoor Championships, Naples (ITA)	24.02.02	2-year ineligibility
MINERVINI	Corrado	ITA	Master Indoor Championships, Naples (ITA)	23.02.02	4-year ineligibility
CASANDRA	Silviu	ROM	Gran Premio Cantones (ESP)	16.03.02	2-year ineligibility
CHEHIBI	Mouhcine	MAR	Réunion Nacional de Getafe (ESP)	12.07.02	Public Warning
SISSOKO	Moussa	FRA	Meeting Noirot (FRA)	12.06.02	2-year ineligibility
VALDES	Carmen	PUR	XVIII CAC Cross Country Chmps (BAH)	17.11.01	Public Warning

This list represents the athletes who have been sanctioned for a doping offence by their Federation since the last issue of the IAAF News. A Public Warning also entails disqualification from the competition in which the positive sample was provided. Dates correspond to the positive doping control test and not the beginning of the ineligibility period.

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