

IPC BULLETIN JULY 2010

HIGHLIGHT

Athletes Gather For Leadership Summit: A total of 22 athletes from 21 different countries were in Bad Honnef, Germany, for the International Paralympic Committee (IPC) Athletes' Leadership Summit. Taking place from 25-27 June, athletes representing 12 different Paralympic sports took the opportunity to focus on many presentations by various The three-day programme included group sessions speakers. stakeholder and communication planning, board management and personal development, good governance in the Paralympic Movement, athlete representation, understanding the overall environment and milestone planning. For more information. visit please www.paralympic.org/Media_Centre/News/General_News.

PARALYMPIC GAMES

London 2012: Following three days of successful meetings, the International Olympic Committee (IOC) Co-ordination Commission for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games concluded its sixth visit to the future host city. In the Paralympic working group, the London 2012 Organizing Committee (LOCOG) presented updates on various areas, including city operations, integrated operational planning, transport, as well as the timelines for Paralympic accommodation. Additionally, brand and marketing topics were discussed including a Paralympic campaign plan. For more information, please visit the official website at www.london2012.com.

Sochi 2014: The four-time gold medallist from the Vancouver 2010 Paralympic Winter Games and Sochi 2014 Ambassador, Irek Zaripov, paused in his training to speak to a group of children with a disability about the upcoming Paralympic Winter Games in Sochi. Also discussing the history of the Paralympics and Russian success in Vancouver 2010, more than 20 pupils from the Viktoria and Solnyshko rehabilitation centres for children with a disability came to the Sochi 2014 Joint Information Centre to meet the Russian Paralympic hero. For more information, please visit www.sochi2014.com.

Rio 2016: The Rio 2016 Olympic and Paralympic Games Organizing Committee has started the final phase of the process in choosing the company responsible for creating the first edition of the South American Olympic Games brand. Recently, representatives for the eight finalist companies participated in a technical briefing with the guidance on



content and ways of presenting the creative proposals. The name of the winner will be published in September 2010. For more information, please visit www.rio2016.com.

FROM THE HEADQUARTERS

Call for IPC General Assembly 2011 Bids: With the IPC General Assembly 2011, the IPC is planning to host a week full of meetings, conferences and events. The bid documentation, which includes a complete overview of the IPC General Assembly, can be found here. The IPC is looking forward to receiving all bid applications by 15 July 2010. For more information, please contact IPC COO Georg Schlachtenberger at georg.schlachtenberger@paralympic.org.

Membership Fees Due: The official deadline for receiving Membership Fees was 31 March. According to the IPC Membership Policy, all National Paralympic Committees (NPC) who have not paid their Membership Fee or have not been in contact with the IPC with regard to their payment will be suspended from IPC membership. For more information, please contact Frederic Herrmann at frederic.herrmann@paralympic.org.

London Media Accreditation Extended: Please mark your calendars: The Accreditation deadline for the London 2012 Paralympic Games has been moved to 20 April 2012 in order to ensure that the Delegation Registration Process is as efficient and accurate as possible. The Qualification Guide will soon be updated to reflect this important date change.

IPC Swimming Facebook Page Launched: A brand new Facebook page was launched on 9 July for the IPC Swimming community. With the latest news on IPC Swimming, the page includes results and rankings from various international events and official information on subjects of interest like classification. Over the next few weeks, the focus of the page will be the upcoming 2010 IPC Swimming World Championships, with full coverage, biographies of athletes, photos and videos. Become a follower on Facebook! For more information, visit the IPC Swimming Facebook page at www.facebook.com/IPCSwimming.

Guadalajara Hosts Successful Project Review: The Local Organizing Committee for the Guadalajara 2011 Parapan American Games (COPAG) has finished hosting a successful Project Review in Guadalajara, Mexico. Over the course of three days from 23-25 June, Americas Paralympic Committee (APC) President Octavio Londono and representatives of the IPC, together with IPC Governing Board members Jose Luis Campo and Andrew Parsons attended the Project Review to go over the plans for

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the event next year in Mexico. The meetings included a visit to the venues and overall progress on preparations. For more information, please visit www.paralympic.org/Media_Centre/News/General_News.

IPC Governing Board Member Appointed to Order of Canada: IPC Governing Board Member Patrick Jarvis has been appointed to the Order of Canada. Jarvis has been a contributing member to the Paralympic Movement for many years, serving as President of the National Paralympic Committee (NPC) of Canada and currently on its Board of Directors. He was also a board member of the Vancouver 2010 Paralympic Winter Games Organizing Committee (VANOC) and currently serves as a member of the IOC Co-ordination Commission for the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. For more information, please visit www.paralympic.org/Media Centre/News/General News.

FROM THE NPCs

USA: The Jimi Flowers Swim Classic kicked off on June 25 as "Jimi's Corner" was finally unveiled. A quote wall was dedicated to Flowers, the former USA Paralympic Swim Coach, who passed away tragically in a climbing accident in July 2009. Flower's was known to offer a daily quote of inspiration to his swimmers before practice. "Jimi's Corner" displays inspirational quotes and offers space for a new quote to be written each day to help to continue Jimi's tradition. For more information please visit www.usparalympics.org.

Great Britain: The face of the Beijing 2008 Paralympic Games, double Paralympic gold medallist Eleanor Simmonds has launched a search to find retired Paralympians across Britain and encourage them to sign up to the Paralympians' Club, a new website designed to reunite former GB teammates and engage the public with British Paralympians. Simmonds, who is encouraging Paralympians to come forward, said that not only does the club offer some great benefits, but it is great for the public as they can use the website to find out more about athletes. For more information, please visit www.paralympiansclub.org.uk.

Ireland: The Paralympic Council of Ireland has announced the first appointments in the areas of sports science and medicine to the Irish Paralympic Team for the London 2012 Paralympic Games. Dr. Joe Conway as Chief Medical Officer has been appointed to lead a multi-disciplinary team of sports science and medical service practitioners that will provide essential support to Ireland's Paralympic athletes in the build up to and at the Games. For more information, please visit www.pcireland.ie.

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FROM THE SPORTS

Athletes Prepare for Shooting World Championships: Athletes around the globe are preparing for the 2010 IPC Shooting World Championships. From 16-24 July, the Paralympic Sport of Shooting will be the focus in Zagreb, Croatia, with a total of 247 athletes from 43 countries set to hit their mark at the World Championships. Korea leads with the biggest delegation of 15 athletes, followed by Great Britain with 14 athletes. For more information, please visit the official website at www.ipc-shooting.org.

World Wheelchair Basketball Championships Underway: The 2010 International Wheelchair Basketball Federation (IWBF) Wheelchair Basketball World Championships are taking place through 17 July in Birmingham, Great Britain, with teams from all over the world battling it out on the court. The first game saw a strong performance from both China and Germany in the Women's Pool B competition, with Germany winning 88:50. In the Men's Pool B, Mexico took France by just three points, winning 57:54. For more information, please visit the official website at www.gbwba.org.uk.

Athletes Return to Win Wimbledon Title: Familiar Dutch athletes made successful returns to Wimbledon, winning the doubles title again and giving audiences an impressive show. Taking place from 2-4 July, the Wheelchair Tennis event saw Robin Ammerlaan (NED) win his third Wimbledon Men's Doubles title on 4 July together with Stefan Olsson (SWE), who won his first title. The two athletes upset top seeds Stephane Houdet of France and Shingo Kunieda of Japan 6:4, 7:6. In the Women's Doubles final, Dutch pair Esther Vergeer and Sharon Walraven took the win over Australia's Daniela di Toro and Britain's Lucy Shuker 6:2, 6:3. For more information, please visit the official website at www.wimbledon.org.

New Partner Highly Involved in IPC Swimming Championships: Catering company Createring has been announced as "Official Partner" of the 2010 IPC Swimming World Championships this summer in Eindhoven, the Netherlands. The announcement was made by Henny Smorenburg from the Local Organizing Committee, and Maarten van Beugen and Coen van Genugten from Createring Management. Mr. Smorenburg said that the new "Official Partner" is to turn eating and drinking into a unique experience for the athletes, volunteers and guests at the World Championships. For more information, please visit the official website at www.ipc-swimming.org.

Goalball World Championships Finish: The 2010 International Blind Sports Federation (IBSA) Goalball World Championships have finished taking place in Sheffield, Great Britain, with athletes on their highest

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guard on the court from 17-25 June. In the Women's Pool Y, China took first, followed by Finland and Denmark. In the Women's Pool X, USA took first, followed by Canada and Sweden. The Men's Pool B saw Lithuania in first, followed by Spain and Sweden. And in the Men's Pool A, Iran was on top, followed by China and USA. For more information, please visit the official website at www.worldgoalball2010.com.

FROM THE COMMITTEES AND COUNCILS

Final Entries Closed for IPC Swimming World Championships: With the final entry deadline past, the list of athletes and teams set to compete in the upcoming 2010 IPC Swimming World Championships has reached a record level. More than 650 athletes from 55 different countries will be participating in Eindhoven, the Netherlands, competing for the gold, silver and bronze medal in their respective event. The number of participating athletes and countries in Eindhoven will be one of the largest of any previous Swimming World Championships. For more information, please visit the official website at www.ipc-swimming.org.

Second Site Visit for Wheelchair Dance Championships: The IPC conducted its second site inspection visit to the city of Hannover, Germany, where the 2010 IPC Wheelchair Dance Sport World Championships will be taking place. The site inspection took place on 6 July, with IPC Wheelchair Dance Sport Technical Delegate of the competition Ms. Grethe Andersen and IPC Sport Manager Athena Charitaki in attendance. Meeting with the core group from the Local Organizing Committee, several items were discussed regarding the current progress and the overall preparations. For more information, please visit the official website at www.ipc-wheelchairdancesport.org.

IPC Academy Holds First Classifier Training: The IPC Academy held its first Classifier Training Programmes for IPC Athletics at the Avendi Hotel in Bad Honnef, Germany. Taking place from 24-28 June, the programme included a three-day course for "Educators", lead by International Rugby Board (IRB) Training Manager Mark Harrington, and a two-day course on "Classifier Recertification", led by the newly trained "Educators". Selected senior IPC Athletics classifiers were invited for the "Educators" course. This course aims at identifying individuals that will be the teachers on future classification courses in the sport. For more information about Classification and the IPC Classification Code, please visit www.paralympic.org/Sport/Classification.

IPC Sport Science Committee Sets Priorities: The IPC Sport Science Committee met to explore its current agenda and the priorities for the next four years in Bad Honnef, Germany. Priorities identified were to assist all sports in strengthening sport-specific and evidence-based

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classification systems, educational strategies for athletes and coaches, and to bring the agenda of developing countries on par with the research agenda of the Paralympic Movement. The continuous emphasis was given on how strategies can be enhanced to disseminate this and other knowledge. For more information about the IPC Sport Science Committee, please visit www.paralympic.org/IPC/Organization/Standing_Committees/Sport_Science_Committee.html.

First Meeting For New IPC Shooting Committee: The newly appointed members on the IPC Shooting Sport Technical Committee (STC) have had their first official meeting at the Gustav-Stresemann-Institut e.V. (GSI) in Bonn, Germany. Taking place from 19-20 June, the meeting was aimed at discussing and reviewing upcoming events and competitions. As a result, the future outlook for the Paralympic Sport and the STC is positive and successfully on track. For more information, please visit the official website at www.ipc-shooting.org

IPC Shooting Classification Course: An IPC Shooting Classification Course for the trainee level is set to take place on 28-29 September 2010 in Aylesbury, Great Britain. More information and the application form are now available on the Classification section of the website at www.ipc-shooting.org. Feel free to contact IPC Shooting at: ipcshooting@paralympic.org should you have any questions.

Powerlifting Rankings Updated: The rankings in the Paralympic Sport of Powerlifting have been officially updated and can be viewed at any time on the official website at www.ipc-powerlifting.org/rankings.

Documents For Wheelchair Dance Sport Championships Available: The 2010 IPC Wheelchair Dance Sport information package, participation criteria and deadlines have been outlined in several documents that are available to be downloaded on the official website. The 2010 IPC Wheelchair Dance Sport World Championships will take place in Hannover, Germany, from 6-7 November 2010. For more information, visit the official website at www.ipc-wheelchairdancesport.org.

MISCELLANEOUS

2018 Candidate Cities Selected: The IOC Executive Board has accepted Annecy (France), Munich (Germany) and PyeongChang (Republic of Korea) as Candidate Cities to host the Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games in 2018. The selection was based on a study of the Candidate Cities' applications submitted earlier this year. This study was made by a working group of experts who revised each Applicant City's potential to

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host successful Winter Games in 2018. More information can be found on the official website at www.olympic.org.

New Anti-Doping Education Online for Coaches: The World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) has launched on their official website the new online educational platforms for coaches of elite-level athletes and coaches of young or recreational-level athletes. Called 'CoachTrue', this resource is a computer-based anti-doping learning tool for coaches. Available at no cost to stakeholders, 'CoachTrue' covers a wide range of anti-doping activities and topics in order to cater to the various lifestyles and demanding schedules of coaches. For more information, please visit the official website at www.wada-ama.org.

IFPMA Joins WADA in Fight Against Doping: The International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers and Associations (IFPMA) has joined together with the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) to sign a "Joint Declaration on Co-operation in the Fight against Doping in Sport". The declaration aims to facilitate voluntary co-operation between WADA and IFPMA member companies, to identify medicinal compounds with doping potential, minimize misuse of medicines still in development, improve the flow of relevant information and facilitate development of detection methods in the context of the fight against doping in sport. For more information, please visit the official website at www.wada-ama.org.

Wheelchair Sport Publication Guides Athletes, Coaches: The newly published 'Wheelchair Sport' provides coaches, practitioners and athletes with the information they need to compete and succeed in wheelchair sports. Written by top coaches, athletes, sport scientists and specialists in sports medicine and physical therapy who work with wheelchair athletes, it offers an explanation of the physiological differences between able-bodied and disabled athletes and the physiological adaptations that result from training. Additionally, it includes training guidelines customized to wheelchair athletes' unique needs, including strength and conditioning, nutrition and hydration and mental wellness. For more information, please visit the official website at www.humankinetics.com.

IDSF-IPC Wheelchair Dance Sport Adjudicators Congress: The International DanceSport Federation (IDSF) and IPC Wheelchair Dance Sport have agreed to organize a combined Adjudicators Congress to be held in Stuttgart, Germany on 22 August 2010. More information and application form is available on the IDSF website under: www.idsf.net on the IDSF Adjudicator Congresses section.



OUTLOOK

IFDS Blind Sailing World Championships	6-14 July	Medemblik, NED
IWBF Wheelchair Basketball World Championships	7-17 July	Birmingham, GBR
WOVD Sitting Volleyball World Championships - Men & Women	9-19 July	Edmond, USA
2010 IPC Shooting World Championships	16-25 July	Zagreb, CRO
2010 IPC Shooting Sport Forum	23 July	Zagreb, CRO
2010 IPC Powerlifting World Championships	25-31 July	Kuala Lumpur, MAS
2010 IPC Powerlifting Sport Forum	31 July	Kuala Lumpur, MAS
2010 IPC Swimming World Championships	15-21 August	Eindhoven, NED
2010 IPC Swimming Sport Forum	21 August	Eindhoven, NED
IDSF-IPC Wheelchair Dance Sport Adjudicators Congress	22 August	Stuttgart, GER

The next issue of the IPC Bulletin will be published on 9 August 2010. Please submit your contributions to the IPC Media & Communications Department no later than 7 August.

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