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HIGHLIGHT

IPC's Gonzalez in Australia for Paralympic Celebration Events: IPC Chief Executive Officer Xavier Gonzalez is in Australia to take part in two events marking significant milestones in the Paralympic Movement. On 18 October he will join members of the Australian 1960 Rome Paralympics Team for a private reception at the Waterview Convention Centre in Sydney. He will later attend the Australian Paralympic Committee's (APC) 'Paralympian of the Year' Awards which this year marks the tenth anniversary of the Sydney Paralympic Games. For more information, please visit www.paralympic.org/Media_Centre/News/General_News.

PARALYMPIC GAMES

London 2012: At the halfway point in the six week application window for the London 2012 volunteering programme, over 100,000 people have applied to be a Games Maker volunteer. Applications have been received from right across the UK and from all communities, including thousands from people with disabilities. Research into applications has revealed that 52 per cent of all applicants to date have said that London 2012 has inspired them to volunteer for the first time. Applications will be open until midnight on the 27 October 2010, so there are three weeks left to apply. For more information, please visit the official website at www.london2012.com.

Sochi 2014: Following the conclusion of the International Olympic Committee's (IOC) Co-ordination Commission's fourth visit to the host city of the next Winter Paralympic Games, President and CEO of the Sochi 2014 Organizing Committee Dmitry Chernyshenko has declared they are on track to deliver an inspirational and innovative Paralympic Games. His comments come after three days of meetings in the Russian host city which included updates on a number of Games related areas as well as visits to various venues and infrastructure projects in the area including the Bolshoi Ice Palace, Stadium and Skating Centre. For more information, please visit www.sochi2014.com.

Rio 2016: The Organizing Committee for the Rio 2016 Olympic and Paralympic Games met with the country's leading advertising agencies to present, for the first time, the intentions of the Games Commercial Plan, the biggest sponsorship programme ever produced in the country. The event was held on 7 October in São Paulo. Carlos Arthur Nuzman, Rio



2016 Organizing Committee President, and Leonardo Gryner, CEO, highlighted the many opportunities of sponsorship brands activation during the six years that precede the Games and the importance of advertising agencies in this process. For more information, please visit www.rio2016.com.

FROM THE HEADQUARTERS

Athletes' Summit and World Championships Featured in New Paralympian Release: The new issue of The Paralympian has been released on the website of the IPC, featuring a complete overview of events during the previous months, including the highly successful Athletes' Leadership Summit this summer. As the official magazine of the Paralympic Movement, The Paralympian covers sporting events which have taken place like the World Championships in Powerlifting, Shooting and Swimming. Exclusive photos from all three Championships, along with results are included in the "News in Sport" section. For more information, please visit www.paralympic.org/Media_Centre/News/General_News.

IPC to Take Part in UN Day Activity in Bonn: Members of the public visiting UN Day activity in Bonn city centre this Saturday (23 October) will be given the chance to experience first-hand what it's like to take part in Wheelchair Basketball. As part of the theme of the day, which focuses on 'Sport and Development', the Bonn based International Paralympic Committee will be erecting a purpose built basketball court in Munsterplatz and ASV Bonn youth players will play a number of demonstration games. For more information, please visit www.paralympic.org/Media_Centre/News/General_News.

Former IPC President to Receive Alberta Order of Excellence: Former IPC President Dr. Robert Steadward, is one of eight people who will be inducted into the Alberta Order of Excellence (AOE) this month in recognition of his lasting contributions on the provincial, national and international stage. The AOE is the highest honour the Canadian province of Alberta can bestow on a citizen and it recognizes Albertans who have made long lasting and positive contributions to the province. For more information, please visit www.paralympic.org/Media_Centre/News/General_News.

Early Contender for October's 'Athlete of the Month': Even though the US Wheelchair Rugby team has just been named the IPC's 'Athlete of the Month' for September, British Wheelchair Basketball player Daniel Robert Highcock has already staked a claim for October's title with a mind blowing basket. Highcock, playing for Spanish first division club Fundacion Grupo Norte de Valladolid, hit the basket from well inside his



own half at the end of the first quarter in the game against Amfiv de Vigor at the Torneo Caja Espana, which Highcock's team won 71:43. For more information, please visit www.paralympic.org/Media_Centre/News/General_News.

FROM THE NPCs

Great Britain: Great Britain will be confident of firing themselves to a number of gold medals at the London 2012 Paralympic Games after a successful weekend at the IPC 2010 Shooting World Cup saw them win a whole host of medals, including six golds. Staged at Stoke Mandeville in Ayslebury, Great Britain topped the medal table in an event that saw 75 athletes from 14 countries compete. The host nation got off to best possible start on the first day of competition medalling twice in the SH1 Category of the Falling Target competition. Matt Skelhon won gold and Karen Butler bronze. For more information please visit www.paralympics.org.uk.

Russia: Russia will take on a World Select team as the International Standing Amputee Ice Hockey Federation (ISiHF) conducts its traditional 'Russia vs. the World' game on 28 October in St. Petersburg, Russia. The game is part of the programme of the International Congress and Trade Fair for orthopedics, traumatology, prosthetics and rehabilitation "People and Health". Featuring a mixture of experienced and decorated ISiHF players, the World Select 2010 will also include representatives from a number of countries including Canada, Czech Republic, Latvia, Israel and Germany where the sport is in its early stages of development. For more information, please visit www.paralymp.ru/en.

FROM THE SPORTS

Nigeria Tops Powerlifting as Commonwealth Games End: Para-athletes from Nigeria dominated the Powerlifting events last week at the Commonwealth Games in Delhi, India, winning all medals in the women's as well as the men's category. For the women, Esther Osa Oyema came in first with a best lift of 148.1kg. Oyema was followed by Ganiyati Joy Onaolapo (139.3kg) and Osamwenyobor Arasomwan (124.6kg) respectively. For more information, please visit www.paralympic.org/Media_Centre/News/Sport_News.

Tickets On-Sale for IPC Athletics World Championships: Tickets for the IPC Athletics World Championships, which take place in Christchurch, New Zealand next January, went on sale at the beginning of this month. Some of the biggest names in world Paralympic Athletics are expected to grace the Queen Elizabeth II (QEII) Stadium next year in what will be



the last major international gathering of athletes before the London 2012 Paralympics. Amongst the big names expected to compete in Christchurch is world famous South African blade runner Oscar Pistorius, who will be defending the 100m, 200m and 400m world titles he won four years ago in Assen, the Netherlands. For more information, please visit www.paralympic.org/Media_Centre/News/Sport_News.

Chance meeting with a pair of skis spurs Obinata to glory: With just three months to go until the IPC Alpine Skiing World Championships in Sestriere, Italy, Japan's multiple Paralympic medal winner Kuniko Obinata is still thankful for the day she accidentally came across a pair of skis. Obinata, who claimed Paralympic Downhill gold at her home Games in Nagano in 1998, is set to be one of more than 150 athletes gathering in Italy next January for the biggest event in the winter calendar since the Vancouver 2010 Paralympic Games. For more information, please visit www.paralympic.org/Media_Centre/News/Sport_News.

Final 100 Day Countdown to IPC Athletics World Championships: There are just 100 days to go until some of the biggest names in Paralympic sport head to Christchurch, New Zealand for the IPC Athletics World Championships. More than 1,000 athletes from over 70 countries including world record holders, World and Paralympic champions are expected at the QEII Stadium for the Championships which start on 21 January until 30 January. For more information, please visit www.paralympic.org/Media_Centre/News/Sport_News.

Countdown is on to Biggest Ever IPC Wheelchair Dance Sport World Championships: There is just one month to go until the 2010 IPC Wheelchair Dance Sport World Championships in Hannover, Germany featuring 160 athletes from 22 countries. Taking place on 6 and 7 November 2010, the majority of previous World and European Champions are expected in Hannover for what will be the biggest event ever in the history of Wheelchair Dance Sport. For more information, please visit www.paralympic.org/Media_Centre/News/Sport_News.

FROM THE COMMITTEES AND COUNCILS

Future of VI Classification Outlined in Bonn: The first steps towards a potential new classification system for Visually Impaired (VI) athletes have been made following a two-day long meeting involving worldwide experts in ophthalmology and sport science in Bonn, Germany. Hosted by the IPC and the International Blind Sport Federation (IBSA), the intensive two day workshop saw both short and long-term pathways for classification presented and analyzed. For more information, please visit www.paralympic.org/Media_Centre/News/General_News.



IPC Ice Sledge Hockey Technical Committee to Meet in Bonn, Germany:

The Sport Technical Committee for the IPC Ice Sledge Hockey met in Bonn, Germany from 15-16 October to discuss a variety of topics including how to increase participation. Since its debut at the Lillehammer 1994 Winter Paralympics, Ice Sledge Hockey – the Paralympic version of Ice Hockey - has grown in popularity becoming a fans' favourite and is now played in 15 countries around the world. For more information, please visit www.paralympic.org/Media_Centre/News/General_News.

First Meeting of IPC Women in Sport Committee: Next month will see the first gathering of the new members on the IPC Women in Sport Committee. Taking place from 23-24 October in Bonn, Germany, the members include Chairperson Tine Rindum Teilmann, Sima Limoochi, Harouna Ousmane, Maria Rauchkallat, Hea Ja Chun, Muffy Davis and Jing Liu. For more information, please contact Chairperson Ms. Tine Rindum Teilmann at wips@paralympic.org.

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.

Pre-Asian Para Games meet and IPC Athletics Classification project: From 24-30 November, the Alain Club for the Disabled in the United Arab Emirates (UAE) will host a unique combined event - a Pre-Asian Para Games Athletics meet and data Collection for IPC Athletics Classification Research Project. Data collection for the IPC Athletics Classification Research Project will take place from 24-26 and 28-30 November. The combined event is the first collaboration between the Zayed Higher Organisation (ZHO), UAE and the University of Queensland, Australia. For further details, contact the Local Organizing Committee through the following email address: alaindis@eim.ae.

MISCELLANEOUS

USA Wheelchair Rugby Team Voted 'Athlete of the Month': The USA Wheelchair Rugby Team which beat Australia to claim the 2010 Wheelchair Rugby World Championships in Canada have been awarded the IPC 'Athlete of the Month' for September after winning a public vote.



It was the first time the IPC has asked the public to vote for the 'Athlete of the Month' and thousands did giving their opinion on which athlete or team they thought had put in the biggest or best performance in the last month. For more information, please visit www.paralympic.org/Media_Centre/News/General_News.

First Paralympic School Day in Croatia Excites Students: More than 930 students in Croatia have taken part in the country's first Paralympic School Day staged by the country's NPC. As part of the day the pupils from Eugen Kumicic primary school in Velika Gorica, a town 10km south of Zagreb, learned about the Paralympic Games, the Paralympic Movement and experienced what it is like to be a Paralympic athlete. For more information, please visit www.paralympic.org/Media_Centre/News/Sport_News.

Sochi Media Village Under Construction: Construction on the Media Village for the Sochi 2014 Paralympic Winter Games has officially begun in Krasnaya Polyana, Russia. With the ceremonial laying of the first stone this week, the Media Village will be part of the infrastructure of the mountain cluster, one of two clusters where all of Sochi 2014 Games' operations will be grouped. For more information, please visit www.sochi2014.com.

ParalympicsGB Ongoing Search for Paralympic Talent Set For Sheffield: ParalympicsGB is encouraging people with a disability to attend the next talent day, to be held in Sheffield, Great Britain, on Wednesday, 10 November 2010. The talent days are designed to find people to become members of the British Paralympic team: Britain is a leading nation in Paralympic Sport, but in order to maintain this hard-earned status in future Paralympic Games it is crucial to identify potential athletes as soon as possible. Media interested in photos, footage or interviews should direct their requests to Tash Carpenter, ParalympicsGB Press Officer, tash.carpenter@paralympics.org.uk, +44 7766 99 11 52.

WADA Publishes Prohibited List: The World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) has published the 2011 List of Prohibited Substances and Methods which will take effect on 1 January 2011. The List comes after official approval by WADA's Executive Committee on 18 September. Some of the noteworthy changes to the 2010 List include 'Non-Approved Substances'. This is a new section that addresses the abuse of pharmacological substances for the purpose of performance enhancement which are not included in other sections of the List and are not approved by any governmental regulatory health authority for human therapeutic use. For more information about WADA, please visit www.wama-ama.org.



OUTLOOK

IPC Medical Committee Meeting	20-22 October	Bonn, GER
IPC Anti-Doping Committee Meeting	22-24 October	Bonn, GER
IPC Women in Sport Committee Meeting	23-24 October	Bonn, GER
ITTF Table Tennis World Championships	25 October to 3 November	Gwangju, KOR
IPC Sports Council Meeting	29-31 October	Bonn, GER
IPC Regions Council Meeting	30-31 October	Bad Honnef, GER
IPC Development Committee Meeting	30-31 October	Bonn, GER
2010 World Rowing Championships	1-4 November	Lake Karapiro, NZL
IPC Athletes' Council Meeting	4-5 November	Paris, FRA
2010 IPC Wheelchair Dance Sport World Championships	6-7 November	Hannover, GER
IOC Co-ordination Commission – London 2012	17-19 November	London, GBR

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