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FITA CONGRESS

MADRID, 18-19 JUNE 2005

Congress registration

We have noted some discrepancies between the bookings for accommodation made through the Organising Committee in Madrid by Congress participants and the Registration forms sent to FITA Office. We remind you that Congress participants have to register to the FITA office in addition to their accommodation bookings with Madrid Organising Committee so that we are officially aware of the status of each participant as defined in the FITA rules (e.g. number of delegates, nomination of voting delegate, etc...).

We invite those participants who have not register with FITA yet to do so before Tuesday, 17th May, 2005. The registration form is available on the FITA website under the link Organisation/Congress/Madrid 2005/Forms.

Congress documents update

In the initial Congress papers sent on 30 March 2005, the document related to current FITA goals 2003-2005 has been omitted. This document has now been sent to all those eligible to attend Congress, under Item 9.3 in the Congress agenda. The Congress agenda page has also been updated accordingly. In addition to the updated paper version, all Congress documents, except those related to financial matters, can be downloaded on the FITA website under the link Organisation/Congress/Madrid 2005/Congress documents.

We hope to be able to release a French version of these documents in the next weeks.

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Proxies

In the initial Congress papers sent to Member Associations, a word processing mistake occurred in the proxy form, where the statement of the Member Association giving the proxy includes the city "New York" instead of "Madrid". Again an updated paper version has been sent to Member Associations, and the updated forms in French and English are available on the FITA website under the link "Organisation/Congress/Madrid 2005/Forms.

We invite Member Association to use the updated form, but of course we will accept proxies printed on the "old" version as it is of good sense that this mistake has no implication on the validity of the proxy. *Much more important is the respect of the deadline for the proxies to be received at the FITA Office: <u>Tuesday 17 May 2005</u>. Please do not forget it!*

Nominations to FITA official positions

As per the FITA rules all nominations sent to FITA office by 21 March 2005 have been published on our website under the link "Organisation/Congress/Madrid 2005/ Nominations, in addition to the papers sent on 30 March 2005.

Important information:

- We deeply apologise to Ms Lynne Evans as two papers of her candidature for President position (part of Item 14, mission statement and related French translation) have inadvertently moved to the end of the President position section in the paper documents sent on 30 March 2005. Please refer to the website document to check the correct order of the document.

- Please note that the candidate's resumes and statements as published on the website include French and/or English translations of the most important information about the candidatures.

CONSTITUTION & RULES

REQUEST FOR INTERPRETATIONS

Due to the difficulties encountered in the follow-up of interpretation of rules requests, a formal process has been put in place with the agreement of the Executive Director and the Chairman of the C&R Committee.

Indeed, in order to comply with FITA C&R on the matter (Book 1, Articles 1.16.7 to 1.16.10), it is requested, **as of 1st May 2005**, that all official requests are sent to FITA on the special form available on the website under the link "Rule Book/Interpretations". Only such requests will be treated strictly according to FITA rules, published in the FITA Info and the website, and submitted to Congress.

This new process (reserved for Member Associations and Council Members) is not valid for questions sent by individuals or anyone not using the form. Those questions will still be answered by relevant person or expert within FITA. But in any case this will be considered as FITA's official position, and there will be no publication. The FITA office will give priority to management of official interpretation requests. All pending requests will be considered as official ones unless they do not comply with above mentioned articles. In this case we will get in contact with the submitter to clarify the situation. We hope that this new process will help to improve the efficiency in this matter.

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MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS

PAKISTAN APPLIES TO FITA MEMBERSHIP

On April 8, 2005 FITA released this call: Pakistan has submitted a membership application file conformed to our rule 1.4.2 According to our rule 1.4.3 the current FITA Member Associations and the members of the FITA Council, have 60 days for raising in writing to the FITA office any objection to this request of membership.

Without any serious objection within these 60 days (June 9, 2005), a temporary FITA membership will be granted to the *Pakistan Archery Federation* until our June 2005 Congress in Madrid. During this FITA Congress the final membership of this National Archery Association will be submitted to a vote.

FINAL REMINDER FOR DUE INVOICES

Final reminders were posted on 22nd of April to all our Member Associations who still have not payed their membership fees. Due invoices must be paid immediately, otherwise these members cannot enter events and/or Congress.

You now have the possibility to pay by Visa/Mastercard. For more information, please contact Caroline Murat (<u>cmurat@archery.org</u>) at the FITA Office.

JUDGES

RESIGNATION

Mr. Stig Andersen from Denmark informed the FITA Judges' Committee of his wish to resign from his position as International Judge. Stig had been a FITA Judge since 2000 and was in duty for the last time at the Paralympics in Athens last year.

FITA warmly thanks Stig Andersen for his work and involvement in archery judging and wishes him all the best.

WITH DEEPEST REGRET

FITA was informed of the passing of its Judge Emeritus Mr. Arne Vindum by the President of the Danish Archery Association.

At the time of his death Arne would have been FITA's longest serving International Judge. He was for many years chairman of the FITA Judges Committee. He organized the first International Judge seminar in Sorrento, Italy more than 30 years ago and served FITA and his Federation with dignity and integrity for close to half a century. Arne was one of the founders of FITA's Judge Programme, contributing much to the philosophical base of the Judges Guidebook.

A kind and gentle man, respected by all who knew him, he will be greatly missed.

We send our condolences to Arne's family and all his friends over the world.

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ANTI-DOPING

WORLD ANTI-DOPING AGENCY

Chantal Steiner and Françoise Dagouret have recently attended a two-day training course on the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Anti-Doping Administration Management System. Indeed FITA is one of the IFs participants in the WADA reference group for the testing phase of the project, which should facilitate management of athletes' whereabouts, Therapeutic Use Exemptions, test plans and results management. A few athletes from the FITA Registered Testing Pool have been contacted to be part of the testing phase, and we want to thank them for their cooperation on this project.

Also in April, Françoise and Chantal have attended the annual WADA IFs Symposium in Lausanne. This gave the opportunity to share experience with other IFs on the situation and issues faced with the implementation of the World Anti-Doping Code.

REGISTERED TESTING POOL

The 2005 FITA Registered Testing Pool will be updated as of 1st May 2005 in order to take into account the results of the recent World Indoor Target Archery Championships held in Aalborg (DEN) and recent changes in the World Rankings. The updated list will be published on the FITA website under "Anti-Doping/Registered Testing Pool". Every "new comer" in the Pool will be of course contacted individually through his/her Member Association.

EDUCATION AND INFORMATION

Eight Adverse Analytical Findings in the sport of archery are currently under a follow-up process by FITA and WADA. Without prejudging on conclusions of ongoing processes, this situation is most worrying.

FITA urges all Member Associations to consider very seriously the education and information of their athletes on anti-doping matters in particular with regard to Therapeutic Use Exemptions process, the use of nutritional supplements and of course the list of prohibited substances.

National Anti-Doping Organisations (NADOs) can be of a great assistance on these matters (the list is available on the WADA website <u>www.wada-ama.org</u> under the "link" section). The WADA website represents also a very useful source of information for athletes, coaches, medical staff, etc..., whereas our "Anti-Doping" section on the FITA website provides more information on our own processes, rules and forms. Also, do not hesitate to contact Françoise Dagouret, FITA Anti-Doping Administrator, for any question you may have (<u>fdagouret@archery.org</u>).

DEVELOPMENT

DEVELOPMENT OFFICER IN OCEANIA

FITA and OAC are currently working on the selection process of a new Development Officer for Archery in Oceania. Currently this position is run by Miika Aulio. Miika will end his contract on May 31, 2005. A dozen of candidates have applied to this position.

MAKE YOUR EQUIPMENT

- FITA has just finished 2 equipment construction guides:
- one for arrow-rest from a paper clip
- one for fletching from self adhesive tape.

These 2 new documents will be soon available from the FITA Website in both FITA official languages. A bow making guide has also been drafted in video format. A construction guide for target butts made with only wood and cupboard is under development.

FITA would like to produce at least one construction guide per equipment item; hence if you have any suggestion, please contact the FITA Technical and Training Director, Pascal Colmaire (<u>pcolmaire@archery.org</u>) at the FITA Office. Your input will help many countries facing difficulties in getting some archery equipment for promoting our sport on their ground.

EMAU 1ST LEVEL COACHING SEMINAR

Lisbon/Portugal - 5/6 March 2005

38 participants - 1 translator - Lecturer: Miika Aulio - Location: 35 km north of Lisboa on the Atlantic Ocean.

The program was as follows:

- Stance-Hips

- Chest, shoulder-alignment
- Conducting a class for a group
- Individual Coaching and Goal-setting

- Bow-arm, draw-arm

- Equipment

EMAU will discuss other projects during its Council meeting in Madrid.

OLYMPIC SOLIDARITY

Development of National Sports Structure in Fiji

The Olympic Solidarity has granted Fiji NOC a budget for a program entitled "Development of National Sports Structure". Jim Beatty an Australian Archery expert will move to Fiji 1st June for 6 months. Budget for the Program is 21 000USD.

If your National Archery Federation is interested in such program, just contact your National Olympic Committee.

Olympic Solidarity Course in Cuba

Level 2 Coaching Education - Dates: October 17-27, 2005 - Location: La Habana

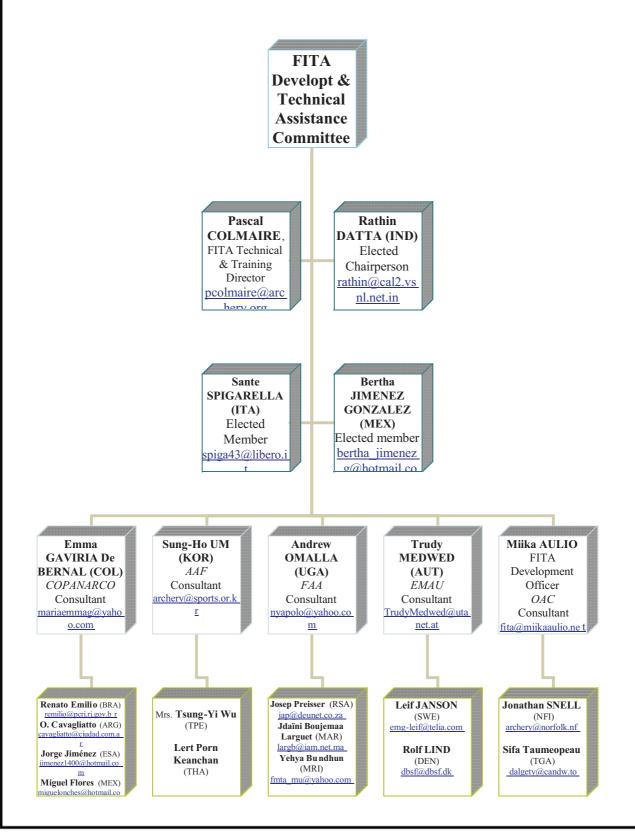
30 participants maximum - Language: Spanish - it is not sure yet that this course will be open to foreign participants.

Budget: US\$ 8,000.00 will be paid to the Comité Olímpico Cubano. Per Diem and travel expenses of the Expert will also be paid. The expert is not yet identified.

If your National Archery Federation is interested in hosting such a course, just contact your national Olympic Committee.

DTAC ORGANIZATION CHART

The updated Organization chart of the Development and Technical Assistance Committee has been updated as below.



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NEW ARCHERY CENTRE IN FRANCE

A new regional Archery Centre will be inaugurated in Chennevières-sur-Marne, France, in September 2005. The building work will be finished at the end of June.

The project extends on a 39,000m² area, which makes it one of the largest archery centre in the world. It consists of a 1120m² archery indoor venue, a 130m² material and repairing room, and a 150m² administrative area. An outdoor 10,000m² area will be devoted to olympic and federal disciplines.

This centre will welcome archery clubs, school classes, socioeducational groups and all other groups that would wish to discover this sport. The French team may organise some of their training camp there. It also be used for professional and federal training (initiators, coaches...) Equipped with a large indoor field and an outdoor range, the Centre of Chennevières-sur-Marne will be able to host official competitions.

For more information, please contact the French Archery Federation: ffta@ffta.fr.

SKI ARCHERY

JOINT AGREEMENT BETWEEN FITA AND IBU

As outcome of a meeting held near Torino (ITA) on 15th April 2005, FITA and the International Biathlon Union (IBU) have prepared a joint agreement defining the future of ski archery (former archery biathlon), under the authority of FITA. This agreement was then officially ratified by the two International Federations Presidents Jim Easton and Anders Besserberg on 20th April in Berlin (GER).

The main points of this agreement include:

- The return of the discipline of archery biathlon as ski archery from IBU to FITA with legal effect as of 1 April 2005.

- The continuation of the IBU/FITA cooperation in the areas of the use of venues and organization of competition, technical seminars and training of FITA TDs and Judges, information on calendar and results.

- The possibility given to athletes of IBU Member Federations to compete in ski archery without being formally included as Members of FITA Member Associations. They must, however, be entered or approved by a FITA Member Federation.

It is expected that the calendar for the season 2005-2006 is finalized by the end of June 2005. In Torino, the FITA representatives Francesco Civarolo, Justyna Chmielewska and Françoise Dagouret have also worked on the organization and development of the discipline in the near future.

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SPORTS CONVENTION

ARCHERY AT SPORTACCORD IN BERLIN

FITA was represented at SportAccord, the annual international sports convention, held in Berlin, Germany from 16 to 20 April by its President James L. Easton, First Vice President Ugur Erdener, Executive Director Terry Reilly, and Event Manager Juan Carlos Holgado.

Our representatives attended the GAISF (General Association of International Sports Federations) and ASOIF (Association of Summer Olympic International Federations) annual General Assemblies. They were also in contact with sports broadcasters and specialists and discussed issues we are facing as International Federation.

On April 18 the German Minister of the Interior Otto Shily and NOC Chairman Klaus Steinbach visited the exhibition booth of the Duisburg World Games accompanied by two German archers and their national head coach Martin Frederick, all from Berlin.

The World Games 2005 will take place from 14 to 24 July this year in Duisburg, Bottrop, Oberhausen and Mülheim an der Ruhr. Under the patronage of the IWGA (International World Games Association) and the IOC (International Olympic Committee), the World Games will stage over 3,000 athletes in 177 disciplines. Field Archery will be part of the game with twenty countries represented.

EVENTS

WORLD GAMES PARTICIPANTS

As set per the selection process published on the FITA website and send to all concerned Member Associations in February 2004, it is time to provide the names of participants from each country to the 2005 World Games. Please also provide the names of extra officials (coaches, medical staff...) if you have registered any and if you have not provided their names yet.

You must provide the names of all participants to the FITA Office by May 4, 2005.

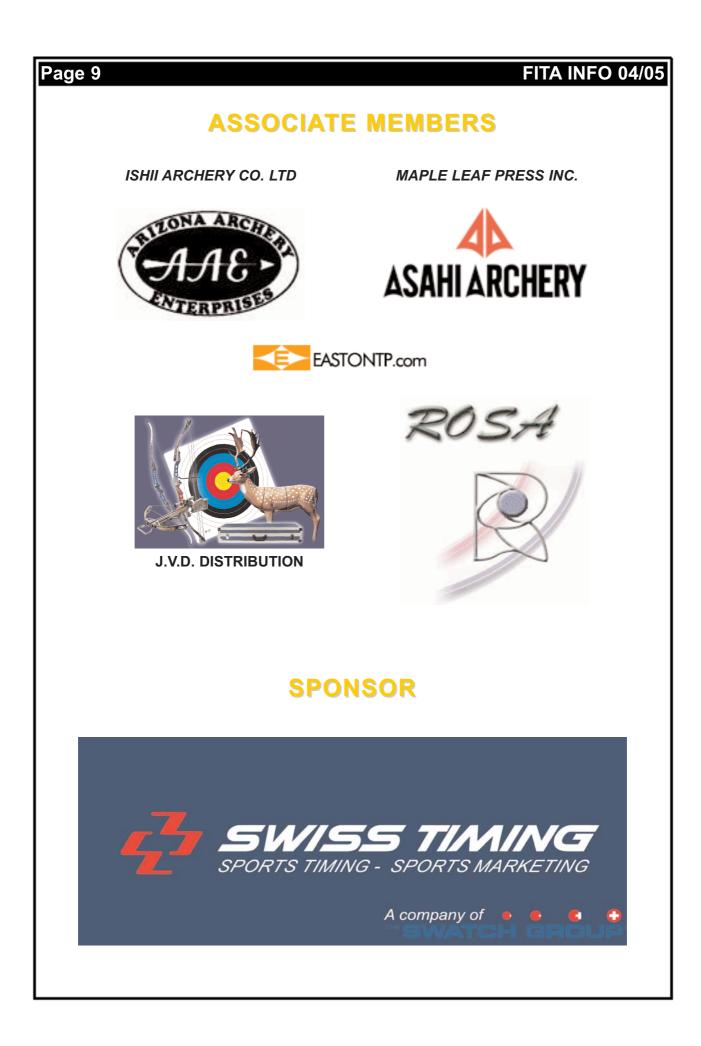
WORLD RANKING TOURNAMENT IN CUBA

The Cuban Archery Federation and CUBADEPORTES are pleased to invite all FITA Member Associations to participate in the Caribbean Arrows International Archery Tournament, a World Ranking Event, to be held in Varadero, Matanzas, on October 28 to November 5 this year.

For more information, please contact font@inder.co.cu or fcta@inder.co.cu.

WORLD RANKING

The new World Ranking will be published on the first week of May. Visit the FITA website at <u>www.archery.org</u>!



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CALENDAR

2005

17-21 May 18-19 June 20-26 June 28-30 June 14-24 July 11-21 August 15-21 August 11-18 September 25 Sep-02 Oct	3D World Championships FITA Congress 43rd World Outdoor Target Championships 15th Mediterranean Games 7th World Games (Archery: 15-17 July) 23rd Universiade (Archery: 12-16 August) European Junior Championships European Field Archery Championships IPC (Paralympic) Archery World Championships	Genoa (ITA) Madrid (ESP) Madrid (ESP) Almeria (ESP) Duisburg (GER) Izmir (TUR) Silkeborg (DEN) Rogla (SLO) Massa-Carrara (ITA)
2006		
12-18 June 27 Aug - 2 Sep 01-15 December	World University Archery Championships 20th World Field Archery Championships 15th Asian Games	Vinicne (SVK) Göthenburg (SWE) Doha (QAT)
2007		
19-29 July 20-31 August 2008	9th World Indoor Archery Championships 44th World Outdoor Target Championships 24th Universiade	Luxembourg Leipzig (GER) Bangkok (THA)
2000	20th Olympic Comes	
2009	29th Olympic Games	Beijing (CHN)
2009 16-26 July	8th World Games	Kaohsiung (TPE)

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