

FROM THE PRESIDENT

President's E-Message



John M. Lovett, President

Hello!

As I write this message, we are supposed to have a cold Melbourne winter as we have had lots of dry sunny days lately. This shows that we definitely are experiencing the effects of a drought. I hope that we will receive plenty of rain in the coming months so that Melbourne will be in tip-top shape for the 2005 Deaflympics.

I have some good and bad news regarding the lawsuit. Somewhere in this issue, you will notice an official announcement related to the lawsuit against CISS, Jerald Jordan, Donalda Ammons and I. We are pleased that the lawsuit outcome was found in our favour. In the very least, it was also disappointing that another lawsuit has been lodged against Jerald Jordan and Donalda Ammons based on the plaintiff's treatment in Sundsvall last February and March.

The original lawsuit was lodged in October 2001 and took nearly 20 months to resolve. This lawsuit cost the CISS over \$US 15,000 in legal fees. CISS members

and supporters can be fully assured that the CISS Executive Committee will take all necessary steps to recover such costs. Hopefully, the latest lawsuit will be dismissed very soon and at much less cost.

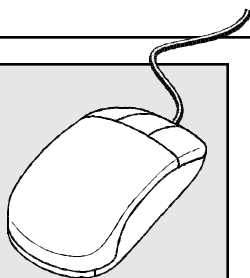
I am very proud to announce that Tiffany Granfors, our Administrator, has been successful in her application for post-graduate studies at the International Academy of Sports Technology and Science. This means that Tiffany will move to live in Lausanne, Switzerland for about one year. Tiffany will be one of 30 students undertaking these studies so this means very high compliments to both Tiffany and CISS. The costs involved for Tiffany undertaking these studies will be very high; however, fortunately we have received donations from various individuals and organisations. If readers are interested to make a donation towards costs of Tiffany's studies, please contact me at Lovett@ciss.org.

In this E-news also, you will see an advertisement calling for people with interest, skills and experience to apply for vacant positions as Assistant to Technical Directors. Applicants should ensure that they have the support of their National Deaf Sports Associations in their applications. The term will be until the end of the 2005 Deaflympics. They will be required to travel to Melbourne on two occasions – January 2004 for a one week training seminar and January 2005 to officiate at the Deaflympics which will require their absence from their home for at least two weeks.

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Upcoming Events

To view further upcoming events, check out Calenderlive at CISS' Events page at <http://www.ciss.org/events.html>

NEWS FLASH

BACKGROUND AND UPDATE

On Rafael Pinchas' legal actions against CISS, Donalda Ammons, Jerald Jordan and John Lovett

This is to provide the CISS members and supporters an update as well as some background on Rafael Pinchas' continuing legal actions against the CISS and its current and past officers including Donalda Ammons, Jerald Jordan and John Lovett.

In 2001, Mr. Pinchas filed legal action. In response, the defendants asked the court to dismiss the legal action because Pinchas' complaints were vague and lacked merit. The Court ruled that Pinchas' complaint was vague, "immaterial" and had unproven accusations, full of a "mass of verbiage." The Court stated that despite an interpretation to allow the rules to be bent in favor of the plaintiff, the complaint still failed to present a clear statement of his claims. As a result, the Court further ruled that the Plaintiff violated basic rules and procedures warranting the dismissal of his claims.

In 2002, Mr. Pinchas tried again and filed legal action claiming discrimination, rules violations, breach of contract, and breach of agreement, defamation of character and conspiracy, and signature forgery.

Pinchas admitted under oath in a September 2002 deposition that he is an unemployed individual dependent on welfare and that his sole work is to bring defendants to his own version of "justice." He stated at the deposition that working "as a pro se (represent self) plaintiff is my full time job."

In late 2002, Pinchas asked the court to allow him to subpoena numerous documents and correspondences from CISS, USA Deaf Sport Federation (USADSF) and its President, Dr. Bobbie Beth Scoggins. The defendants opposed this motion. After listening to both sides, the Court rejected Pinchas' request.

Defendant counsel informed Pinchas that as a result of his disregard and respect of CISS rules and continuing legal actions against CISS and its officers, he is considered persona non grata in CISS. Defendant counsel furthermore instructed Pinchas to have no contact with CISS, its officers, representatives or employees.

Pinchas asked the court to override defendant counsel's actions. Pinchas also asked the Court to authorize him to be a delegate to the CISS Congress in Sweden. Pinchas furthermore asked the court to allow him to have contacts with CISS officers and employees.

Court rejected Pinchas' various requests and said that the court "will not interfere with the internal affairs of a voluntary membership organization" such as CISS.

Defendant counsel asked the Court to grant defendants CISS, Ammons, Jordan and Lovett summary judgment. Summary judgment is when a court looks at all the facts and arguments and says that a trial is not necessary and closes the matter by ruling in favor of

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Obituary

Mr. Roland Haythornthwaite†

It is with great sadness to announce that Mr. Roland Haythornthwaite, former Chief Executive of British Deaf Sports Council, had died suddenly on 14th April 2003. The funeral service took place on Wednesday 23rd April at St. Marys Parish Church, Burley-le Wharfedale, in Ilkley West Yorkshire.

Submitted by Mike Webster, Honorary Secretary of British Deaf Sports Council

NEWS FLASH

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Call for Applications

►► TECHNICAL DIRECTOR POSITIONS ◀◀

FOR 2005 SUMMER DEAFLYMPICS, MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA

- HANDBALL
- SHOOTING
- VOLLEYBALL – ASSISTANT TD (*NEW*)
- BASKETBALL – ASSISTANT TD (*NEW*)

FOR 2003-2007 TERM, 2007 WINTER DEAFLYMPICS, PARK CITY, USA

- ICE HOCKEY
- SNOWBOARDING
- ALPINE SKIING
- NORDIC SKIING

General Responsibilities of Technical Director include:

- Be responsible for efficient and effective management of the specific sporting events during your selected term.
- Where and when required, be available to oversee the selected sport competition at World Championships.
- Liaise with CISS Secretariat and National Associations in developing procedures and rules for conduct of the sport at the Deaflympics and/or World Championships.
- Advise and assist the local organizing committee in preparation of rules and schedules for the specific sport program of the Deaflympics.
- Serve as an official representative of the CISS on the specific sport Commission as established by the local organizing committee.
- Record non-participation of athletes who have registered but failed to start at the Deaflympics and report to the Secretary General.
- Provide complete results to the CISS Secretariat at the end of daily competition during Deaflympics.
- Write a technical report together with full results and submit to the CISS Secretariat no later than 3 months after the conclusion of the Deaflympics.

Assistant TD's responsibilities would include:

- Liaise with the Technical Director in preparation of rules and schedules.
- Oversee competitions if held at different locations during the Deaflympics
- Assist the Technical Director whenever needed and asked.

Please send your resume with letter of interest, photo and a letter of support from your national deaf sports federation, to the CISS Secretariat through e-mail attachment at info@ciiss.org by:

30 JUNE 2003

CISS IN THE NEWS

International Sports Convention/GAISF Assembly

Submitted by Tiffany Granfors

Tiffany Granfors, CISS Administrator, attended the International Sports Convention/GAISF Assembly in Madrid, Spain during the week of May 12-16, 2003 representing CISS-Deaflympics. The conference offered a wide array of interesting presentations and plenary sessions. Topics (in partial) included issues on Sports and Education, Hosting and Managing Sports Events, Online Betting, Sport Broadcasting and Sponsorship, Law in Sport.

There were well-known speakers such as Mr. Gilbert Felli, IOC Sport Director, Spyros Capralos, Executive Director of Athens Organizing Committee for 2004 Olympic Games, Mr., Joseph Blatter, President of FIFA, Mr., Dick Ebersol, Chairman of NBC Sports & Olympics, and Donna DeVarona, ESPN/Disney Sports Broadcaster. It was a great networking opportunity for

CISS to have met other International Sports Federation members.

One of the highlights was attending the GAISF General Assembly on Friday and seeing that CISS-Deaflympics had an official seat at the assembly, as a newly inducted member of GAISF. The interesting observation was that the assembly was very similar to how CISS Congress has been handled.

The next GAISF General Assembly will be held in Lausanne, Switzerland in May 2004. CISS intends to send some more representatives.

News From Around the World

Australia: New Deaf Sports Australia Board and Office Members

Rebecca Adam

President

Bruce Muller

Vice President

David Peters

Director of Sports Organization

Martin Eyking

Director of International Sports Relations

Allan Chitty

Director of Finance

Michael Reardon

Co-opted Member of Government Relations

Dr. Jacinta Baldwin

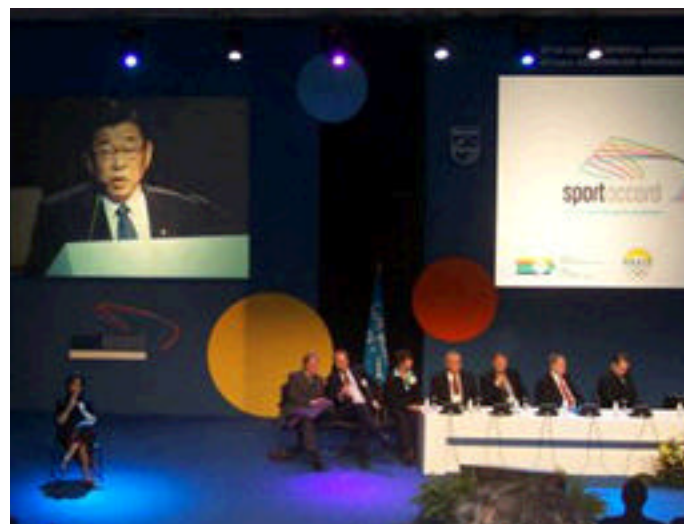
National Coordinator

Jill Lovett

Administrative Assistant



CISS Administrator Tiffany Granfors sat at CISS-Deaflympics' official seat at the assembly.



ARTICLE

Experiences of an Elite Athlete- The 2000 Olympic Experience

From Australian Sports Web

<http://www.ais.org.au/talent/elite.htm>

Di Alagich was a member of the Australian Women's Soccer team (Matildas), and competed at the 2000 Sydney Olympic Games. A gifted athlete, Di also represented Australia in sprint canoeing kayak team, but made the difficult decision to pursue her passion for football. The road to the Olympic Games is not always a smooth one, and Di recalls the hurdles leading up to and including the Olympic Games.

THE 2000 OLYMPIC EXPERIENCE

I'll start off by saying that my experience at the Olympics was the best thing that I have ever done. I had the best time of my life to date, and it was an experience no-one can ever take away from me. I would give up absolutely anything for the chance to participate in another Olympic Games.

I dreamed of going to the Olympic for as long as I can remember. I never knew what sport it was going to be in, but all I knew is that I wanted to go. For so many years during so many hard training sessions, it was always in the back of my mind. In the year leading up to the Olympics I think that there was not a single day where I didn't think about the Games. It was like an obsession, and I had to achieve it — no matter what.

But having said that, it took some enormous commitment and discipline to achieve my Olympic goal. Not only on my behalf, but that of my family, close friends and coaches. The people in my support network have as much to do with my success as I do. Without them I would never have reached the pinnacle of my sport.

However, with all the highlights there are always lows. While I was playing in my first full International, I twisted my knee and snapped my anterior cruciate ligament and needed a knee reconstruction. All at the age of 15. It meant I would be out of competitive soccer for eight months (which turned into nearly two years as I needed another operation when it didn't heal properly). This wasn't a great start to my career and at the time it was devastating. To me there is nothing

worse than watching soccer from the sidelines when you're injured. It is an agonising experience. I eventually got back into playing, and again came some pretty awful times. Because I had been out of the sport for so long, my touch, fitness and confidence were the lowest they had ever been.

My desire to play for the national team still shone very brightly but I wasn't making any progress and my game was still nowhere near where it had been two years ago. The national coach resigned and the new coach obviously didn't rate me. So I had a very hard uphill battle.

A residential program had been announced at the AIS and out of the 20 scholarships on offer, I missed out. I continued to do my rehabilitation with the aid of our national physiotherapist Ed Hollis (his help was really crucial in my return to international football). Six months later, I was told that I could join the national team, but I wasn't offered a scholarship or any assistance in finding employment or a house to live in. However, the Canberra Motor Village was very generous and gave me a cabin to live in at low cost, and also some part-time work.

I had been training for four months and a trip to Portugal came up, but I again missed selection. I thought about coming home and giving it all up, but I decided to stay on for a few more months. The World Cup was two months away and I wanted to give it everything. I ended up making the World Cup team, and played every game.

The World Cup coach resigned and a new coach was appointed. I was given a scholarship and our training doubled. Some days we were training three times a day and spending more than six hours over at the training fields. For the next 12 months, I asked myself every day if it was worth it — and my answer was always yes. The closer the Olympics Games came, the harder I trained.

The last few months leading up to the Olympics were

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Experiences of an Elite Athlete

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weird. On one hand I was so excited and couldn't wait for the Games to start, and on the other hand, I was nervous because I had no idea what to expect.

I class the Olympic experience into two sections: the actual competitive side, and the atmospheric side. To me, soccer is soccer and always will be and it doesn't matter if I'm playing in a local club competition or the Olympics — to me the game is exactly the same. The Olympic Village however, was like a fantasy land. Everything was free and at your disposal, and you would see some of the best athletes in the world

walking around and sitting across from you in the dining hall.

I feel that the Matildas' disappointing result of seventh place wasn't the worst thing that could have happened. I was part of the biggest event in the world and just being a part of the Australian team and being considered an Olympian was a good enough achievement. Sure, if I had my time again I would love to win a medal. But I achieved my dream and played the best game in the world in front of 45,000 screaming fans and that's what it's all about!

Background and Update

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one side.

In mid-April 2003, the Court rejected all of Pinchas' claims and granted defendants summary judgment. The Court stated that Pinchas "has offered no evidence beyond his own unsupported allegations" and that plaintiff's descriptions of incidents were "extremely vague and indefinite." Accordingly, Pinchas' 2002 claims of discrimination, rules violations, breach of contract, and breach of agreement, defamation of character and conspiracy, and signature forgery were rejected.

In mid-April, 2003, Pinchas tried again by filing new charges claiming defamation of character, discrimination, conspiracy, rule violations and human rights violations. As a result, legal matters between Pinchas and the defendants- Jordan and Ammons continue indefinitely.

"Regardless of the plaintiff's actions, CISS will fully honor its obligations and commitment to serve all its members fairly and ethically while promoting the ideals behind the CISS Motto—"Per Ludos Aequalitas – Equal Through Sports," commented CISS Secretary General Donalda Ammons.

The Comité International des Sports des Sourds (CISS) is the oldest of international sports organizations for disabled people. Founded in 1924 and given full

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In closing, my wife and I will travel to Portshach, Austria, for the Dresse and Maere Cups in June and July. At the conclusion of this event, I will travel onto Montreal, Canada, where I will meet with Donalda Ammons, Ole Artmann and Tiffany Granfors for the CISS Management Team meetings.

While in Montreal, I have accepted an invitation to present a two hour session at the World Federation of the Deaf Youth Camp. We are expecting approximately 135 young Deaf leaders from around the world attending this camp.

Following the Management Team meetings, we will also represent CISS at the WFD General Assembly and Congress. In addition, Donalda Ammons and Tiffany Granfors will be responsible for CISS information booth at the Congress exhibit arena.

We look forward to meeting with those who will be attending the Congress!

recognition by the International Olympic Committee (IOC), the CISS is the body which controls the Deaflympics. The CISS is composed of national deaf sports organizations and is managed by an executive committee of nine persons, all of whom are deaf.

The Olympic Movement and the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movements Sign Cooperation Agreements

Official IOC press release

www.olympic.org

16 May 2003

The President of the International Olympic Committee (IOC), Jacques Rogge, and the President of the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC), Juan Manuel Suárez del Toro Rivero, today signed a cooperation agreement in Madrid.

The IOC President will also be signing a cooperation agreement with the President of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), Jakob Kellenberger, in the coming weeks in Geneva.

The two organisations are joining with the IOC to promote shared humanitarian values such as

universality, volunteerism, solidarity, tolerance and peace, which constitute the cornerstone of their respective missions. Their networks, comprising Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies and National Olympic Committees in virtually every country in the world, will be a powerful alliance for the promotion and protection of those values. The IOC and the IFRC will give particular attention to cooperation in areas affected by natural disaster or disease, while the IOC and the ICRC will also work jointly on projects of sport humanitarian assistance in areas affected by armed conflict.

The goal of the IOC and the Olympic Movement as a whole is to contribute to building a peaceful and better world by educating youth through sport practiced without discrimination of any kind and in the Olympic

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Sport at the Heart of the European Union's New Constitution

Official IOC press release

www.olympic.org

17 May 2003

The International Olympic Committee (IOC) today announced in Madrid a joint proposal placing sport at the heart of the European Union (EU)'s new constitution.

The proposed text for an article on sport, that results from an extensive consultation between the IOC, the European Olympic Committees (EOC), the Association of Summer Olympic International Federations (ASOIF), the Association of the International Olympic Winter Sports Federations (AIOWF), and football bodies FIFA and UEFA, focuses on the need to protect the social, educational and cultural role that sport plays in European society. The proposed text will be submitted by the IOC on behalf of all International Federations and National

Olympic Committees to the Convention for the Future of Europe, the forum in charge of drafting a new EU constitution. The project for a new EU constitution will be presented to the European Council of Thessaloniki on 20 and 21 June. A meeting between IOC President Jacques Rogge and Convention President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing is expected to be held in the near future.

The European institutions and the sports movement have shared for several years the wish to place sport at the centre of the European project. The proposed text approved this week shows the determination of all parties to underline the competence and autonomy of sports federations, while giving sport, and the strong values that it promotes, a key position in European discussions where it had until now essentially been considered from an economic angle. In the same vein, the EU has recently proclaimed 2004 "European Year of Education through Sport".

IOC Executive Board releases statement on Iraqi athletes and NOC of Iraq

www.olympic.org
17 May 2003

The IOC Executive Board, after taking knowledge of the report of the Ethics Commission, discussed today the situation regarding the Iraqi athletes and the NOC of Iraq. Two priorities have been identified, namely:

- The IOC is concerned about the athletes, their well-being and needs, and the steps required for their preparations for the upcoming Games of the XXVIII Olympiad in 2004 in Athens, Greece; and
- The NOC of Iraq must be reconstructed so as to comply with the Olympic Charter.

The NOC of Iraq is suspended while this process takes

place. The IOC strongly condemns all acts of abuse carried out or ordered by the former President of the NOC of Iraq against athletes. They constitute gross violations of the ethical principles and rules of the IOC. The IOC expresses its sympathy for all athlete victims of this abuse. No person involved in any abuse committed by the previous administration will be allowed to participate in the reconstruction of the NOC.

In order to achieve the goals of helping the athletes and aiding the reconstruction of the NOC, the IOC will work together with the United Nations and other competent authorities and, in addition, will send a mission to Iraq led by its Director of NOC Relations and Olympic Solidarity, Mr Pere Miro.

Olympic Review Makes Stories

www.olympic.org
27 May 2003

The re-vamped Olympic Review seems to be making headlines around the world, not least in Great Britain where an excerpt from the magazine has created a lead story in today's Guardian newspaper and subsequent spin off stories on radio and TV.

The issue at hand concerns a discussion between four-time gold medallist in swimming, Alexander Popov and IOC President Jacques Rogge, on the subject of the quality of athletes who compete in the Olympic Games. Asked in the special feature interview, which takes an unusual slant whereby 'athlete interviews athlete,' Popov asks the President, "In Sydney we saw examples of athletes representing countries who were given wild cards, but were not up to Olympic standard. Will we see this situation recur in



Athens?"

Rogge's reply is clear. "We want to avoid what happened in swimming in Sydney," he said. "The public loved it, but I did not like it. We have to respect the athletes. The Olympic Games are a mixture of pure quality, that is the best athletes in the world, and at the same time athletes of a lesser quality who achieve universality. If you decide to have only the best ones, then you maybe only have fifty per cent of the nations participating, so you need to give some universality. However, the level of those people must be raised, and that is what we are going to do with Olympic Solidarity."

Indeed through Olympic Solidarity, some US\$13,700,000 is being invested in two year training grants for athletes so that they can access high level training centres and coaching experts.

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Cooperation Agreements

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spirit of mutual understanding, friendship, solidarity and fair-play. This is matched by the commitment of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement and its Fundamental Principles to protect human dignity, life and health and the universal values of International Humanitarian Law.

On signing the agreement, the IOC President Jacques Rogge said "Sport reaches out to millions of people around the world and brings them hope and dignity. This signature will allow the Olympic and Red Cross Movements to bring their efforts together in order to promote international solidarity and to contribute to human development".

IFRC President Suarez del Toro, delighted about the new partnership, said "It will provide a real and strong opportunity for National Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies to join forces with their colleagues in National Olympic Committees and produce results benefiting vulnerable people all over the world".

ICRC President, Dr. Jakob Kellenberger, said about the agreement: "The ICRC looks forward to developing a relationship that contributes to a wider understanding of the need to preserve human dignity, especially when it is at greatest risk during armed conflict."

Olympic Review

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Olympic Solidarity works to offer the athletes the best possible environment in which they can nurture their talent and thereby qualify of their own merit for the Olympic Games. Competition costs are also financed to ensure that the athletes are able to participate in the official Olympic qualification events.

In his answer to Popov, Rogge continued, "In the past we made the error to select these athletes at the very last moment. A country would say, "We have no qualified athletes, can we bring in a wild card?" And these athletes were not trained enough. They were not good enough. Now, we've asked all the countries that are likely not to have qualified athletes to send them to foreign training centres, or country training centres, two years beforehand. We will give them a lot of support, and in two years time we can raise their levels, so these situations will not arise again."

The Olympic Solidarity training programme aims to reach three objectives, namely to ensure that National Olympic Committees from each country can send duly qualified athletes to the Games without having to resort to invitation places, second, as a consequence,

guarantee the universality of the Olympic Games and third, to create a 'level playing field' so that athletes from developing countries have the same training opportunities as those from developed sporting nations.

The Olympic scholarship programme has been running since the Barcelona Games and prior to Sydney 2000, some 632 athletes were helped by the scheme of which 472 qualified from 111 National Olympic Committees.

Also important to note is that wild cards do still exist - but athletes who are given wild cards must reach a minimum technical sporting standard, as outlined by the relevant International Federation.



EVENTS

Sports Preliminary Entries for 2005 Deaflympic Games- Melbourne (as of 25/05/03) Melbourne, Australia 5-16 January 2005

Men's Basketball

16 Countries/4 Regions

Maximum Number of Teams: 16

Home: Australia*

Defending Champion: USA**

AFRICA (1)

Ghana (\$)

ASIA/PACIFIC (4)

Australia*
China
Japan
New Zealand

EUROPE(10)

Germany
Greece
Israel
Italy (?)
Lithuania
Russia
Slovenia
Sweden
Turkey
Ukraine

PAN-AM(1)

USA **

(\$)= outstanding debt to CISS, therefore eligibility is in question.

(?)- membership in question until 31/12/03

Women's Basketball

9 Countries/3 Regions

Maximum Number of Teams: 16

Home: Australia*

Defending Champion: USA**

AFRICA (0)

None

ASIA/PACIFIC (3)

Australia*
Japan
New Zealand

EUROPE(5)

Germany
Greece
Lithuania
Sweden
Ukraine

PAN-AM(1)

USA**

EVENTS

2005 Deaflympic Summer Games

(as of 25/05/03)

Melbourne, Australia

5-16 January 2005

Men's Court Volleyball

16 Countries/4 Regions

Maximum Number of Teams: 16

Home: Australia*

Defending Champion: Italy**

AFRICA (2)

Ghana(\$)

Swaziland (\$)

ASIA/PACIFIC (4)

Australia*

Iran

Japan

Uzbekistan

EUROPE(8)

Armenia

Finland

France

Germany

Italy** (?)

Russia

Turkey

Ukraine

PAN-AM(2)

Argentina

USA

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Women's Court Volleyball

12 Countries/4 Regions

Maximum Number of Teams: 16

Home: None

Defending Champion: Japan**

AFRICA (2)

Ghana (\$)

Swaziland (\$)

ASIA/PACIFIC (2)

Japan**

Uzbekistan

EUROPE(6)

France

Germany

Hungary

Italy (?)

Russia

Ukraine

PAN-AM(2)

Argentina

USA

(?)- membership in question until 31/12/03

EVENTS

2005 Deaflympic Summer Games

(as of 25/05/03)

Melbourne, Australia

5-16 January 2005

Men's Water Polo

5 Countries/3 Regions

Maximum Number of Teams: 16

Home: Australia*

Defending Champion: Italy**

AFRICA (0)

None

ASIA/PACIFIC (1)

Australia*

EUROPE(3)

Germany

Hungary

Italy** (?)

PAN-AM(1)

USA

(?)= membership in question until 31/12/03

Women's Water Polo (CANCELLED)

1 Country/1 Region

Maximum Number of Teams: 16

Home: None

Defending Champion: None

AFRICA (0)

ASIA/PACIFIC (0)

EUROPE(0)

PAN-AM(1)

USA

Men's Handball

6 Countries/3 Regions

Maximum Number of Teams: 16

Home: None

Defending Champion: Croatia**

AFRICA (0)

ASIA/PACIFIC (1)

Chinese Taipei

EUROPE(4)

Croatia**

Denmark

Germany

Italy (?)

PAN-AM(1)

USA

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EVENTS

2005 Deaflympic Summer Games

(as of 25/05/03)

Melbourne, Australia

5-16 January 2005

Women's Handball (CANCELLED)

3 Countries/2 Regions

Maximum Number of Teams: 16

Home: None

Defending Champion: Denmark**

AFRICA (0)

None

ASIA/PACIFIC (0)

None

EUROPE(2)

Denmark**
Italy

PAN-AM(1)

USA

Men's BEACH Volleyball

11 Countries/3 Regions

Maximum Number of Teams: 16

Home: Australia*

Defending Champion: none

AFRICA (0)

None

ASIA/PACIFIC (2)

Australia*
Uzbekistan

EUROPE(7)

Belgium
Finland
Germany
Italy (?)
Russia
Switzerland
Ukraine

PAN-AM(2)

Argentina
USA

(?)= membership in question until 31/12/03

Women's BEACH Volleyball

11 Countries/3 Regions

Maximum Number of Teams: 16

Home: Australia*

Defending Champion: none

AFRICA (0)

None

ASIA/PACIFIC (2)

Australia*
Uzbekistan

EUROPE(7)

Belarus
Belgium
Germany
Italy (?)
Russia
Switzerland
Ukraine

PAN-AM(2)

Argentina
USA

EVENTS

2005 Deaflympic Summer Games

(as of 25/05/03)

Melbourne, Australia

5-16 January 2005

Men's Football

33 countries/4 regions

Maximum Number of Teams: 16

Home: Australia*

Defending Champion: Italy**

AFRICA (4)

Ghana (\$)
Nigeria
South Africa
Swaziland (\$)

ASIA/PACIFIC (6)

Australia*
Iran
Japan
Kazakhstan
Malaysia
Uzbekistan

EUROPE(19)

Croatia
Czech Republic
Denmark
France
Germany
Great Britain
Greece
Hungary
Ireland
Israel
Italy ** (?)
Netherlands
Norway
Portugal
Russia
Spain
Sweden
Turkey
Ukraine

PAN-AM(4)

Argentina
Canada
Chile
USA

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(?)- membership in question until 31/12/03

Women's Football

7 Countries/2 Regions

Maximum Number of Teams: 16

Home: Australia

Defending Champion: None

AFRICA (0)

None

ASIA/PACIFIC (0)

None

EUROPE(6)

Denmark
Germany
Great Britain
Norway
Russia
Sweden

PAN-AM(1)

USA



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