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# Letter from the President

The ICSD Executive Committee and Regional Representatives send their best wishes for a Happy New Year:

Happy New Year (English) \* Xin nian yu kuai (Chinese) \* Bonne année (French) \* Gutes Neues Jahr (German) \* Shanah tovah (Hebrew) \* Godt Nyttår (Norwegian) \* Yeni Yiliniz Kutlu Olsun (Turkish) \* Feliz Año Nuevo (Spanish)

As of this writing, everyone is geared up for two major events in Salt Lake City, Utah (USA) - the 40th ICSD Congress and 16th Winter Deaflympics. I am extremely pleased with the number of delegates who will represent 62 countries, showing deep commitment and absolute determination to cherish the spirit of Deaflympics. A total of 66 proposals are on the Congress agenda. Prior to discussing those 66 proposals, there will be a three hour workshop session to address pressing issues relating to audiological testing procedures and anti-doping regulations.

Athletes from 24 countries will compete in five different winter sports disciplines, representing either snow or ice. Since our Deaf athletes always strive to reach the pinnacle of competition by embracing the motto of **PER LUDOS AEQUALITIAS (Equal through sport)** and adhering to the ideals of the Olympics, we show our support by attending competition events in Salt Lake City and Park City.

I would like to announce that for 2 days, Friday and Saturday, 2-3 February, Sorenson Communications is sponsoring a Deaf EXPO at the Salt Palace. The admission is free. Attending the expo will give you an opportunity to learn about many new products and services that are and will be available for the deaf, to watch entertainment by deaf performers and to attend the keynote speech by our former ICSD President, Jerald Jordan. For more information, go to <http://www.sorenson.com/deaflympics/events.php>.

Daily results of the Games will be broadcasted through the official website of the Games - [www.deaflympics.tv](http://www.deaflympics.tv), which will be managed by ICSD and powered by DeafNation. Please do share this website address with your family, relatives, co-workers and friends, neighbors and more.

Here comes Salt Lake City!

Dr. Donalda K. Ammons  
President

# Inside ICSD

## Report from Vice President

Hi Readers!

Time flies by very quickly since our last Congress and Summer Deaflympics in Melbourne in January 2005 and we are approaching very fast to the next Congress and Winter Deaflympics in Salt Lake City in February 2007.

Do you see any change since the last Summer Deaflympics in Melbourne? You will be "hearing" the President Report by the President Dr. Donald Ammons at the forthcoming Congress and you will know that many new and positive changes have taken place.

Do the number of winter sports participants grow since the 2003 Sundsvall Winter Deaflympics? You will too know when you come to Salt Lake City.

As Finance Chair I ask some of you who have not paid off the debts up to 2006 please to pay all debts upon your arrival at Salt Lake City before you are allowed to be involved in Salt Lake City.

I will be at Salt Lake City starting on 31 January 2007 to 10 February 2007, and you are very much welcome to approach to me with questions specially on finance matters. I will be very pleased to assist you.

Also we need your cooperation to complete our survey and it will be probable that I will personally select about 20-25 countries to complete the forms which will enable us to understand our deaf sports positions. From this survey we may be able to raise issues

with the IOC from which we may benefit for the better.

See you in Salt Lake City

David Lanesman

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## Report from Sports Director

I sincerely wish you all happy and successful New Year 2007!

2007 is going to be a very special year for the teams of the Deaf Winter Sports because in only 2 week time, the 16th Winter Deaflympics will be waiting on our doorsteps!

It is going to be very exciting because the venues and facilities of the SLC 2007 have first class quality. It is the same venue used by the Olympic Games in Salt Lake City in 2002. I believe and have great trust in our deaf athletes from all over the world, that they all will give their best.

Not only to the athletes I wish the best of luck and success, but also to all officials, managers, trainers, psychotherapists and doctors of all participating countries.

What I ask of all participants for the 16th Winter Deaflympics in Salt Lake City, United States, is to be fair, honest, tolerant, respectful and friendly. These rules are not only for the people in charge, but also for the viewers.

We all hope for an unforgotten and extraordinary 16th Winter Deaflympics in Salt Lake City, United States.

Please do come and cheer for our athletes' performances. We are depending on your support.

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you again! Till then.

Regards,

Josef Willmerdinger  
ICSD Sports Director

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### **Message from Technical Director - Badminton**

The 2nd World Deaf Badminton Championship will be held in Muelheim / Ruhr, Germany from 28 September to 7 October 2007. The venue in Muelheim / Ruhr is excellent. It is considered as one of the best Sport Hall in Germany, since it is the same venue where the German "Yonex" Open is taking place in February 2007 where the World's best players (hearing) are playing. Also the site is next to the famous Rhine River and very close to amenities.

I am very pleased to say that I have received so many preliminary forms. Up to date of 16th December, 20 countries have shown their interest and there will be team event for the first time with 14 teams! This is excellent and has shown that Badminton is growing as the standard of many players are exceptionally high. Some of them are representing their own countries at some hearing international competitions!

Sometime late in January, another final entry form will be sent out to those countries and after that we will be starting working to prepare the tournament.

We have an official website for this event. Please click on it for any updates and other useful information on [www.badminton-wc.dg-sv.de](http://www.badminton-wc.dg-sv.de)

I wish you all a Very Happy New Year and may the 16th Winter Deaflympics in Salt Lake City be a success.

Martin Bogard  
ICSD Technical Director - Badminton

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### **Message from Technical Director - Football**

Last month, I flew to Sofia, Bulgaria to conduct a site inspection for the upcoming World Deaf Futsal Championships. It was my first assignment for the ICSD and a whole new experience, one that I was keen to have under my belt.

The 1993 Summer Deaflympics, or World Games for the Deaf as it was called then, was held in Sofia. Sofia is also hosting the European Deaf Athletics Championships, a few months before the November World Deaf Futsal Championships.

I met some of the Sofia Deaf Futsal Club players on their way to an away fixture that I unfortunately couldn't attend. They compete in a hearing Futsal league and about half of their Futsal players represent Bulgaria at Deaf Futsal. It was fantastic to learn about the deaf footballers competing on a par to their hearing counterparts.

It was interesting to learn that the sport Futsal is fast becoming Bulgarian's 2nd most popular sport behind football. Being the country's capital, Sofia is also the centre of Bulgaria's sport activities, with a large number of sports clubs being based in the city, including most of Bulgaria's primary,

such as Levski Sofia, CSKA Sofia, Lokomotiv Sofia and Slavia Sofia.

With over 30 venues for Futsal in the city of Sofia, the sport is fast becoming Bulgarian's 2nd most popular sport behind football. It is estimated that if this growth in popularity in Futsal continues at this rate, it will overtake football as the number one sport in Bulgaria by 2009.

To sum up, I found the playing facilities for the 2007 World Deaf Futsal Championships to be of good standards. A final decision will be made in due course by the Bulgarian Deaf Sport Federation (BDSF) on whether the championships will use the Winter Palace of Sports Hall, CSKA Sports Hall, National Sports Academy Hall, Hristo Botev Sports Hall, Sofia Training Centre or Sofia Sports Hall.

The hotels were either of a good or excellent standard so I imagine the players and officials involved in the tournament will be satisfied with them. On a similar note, I recommended that one of the hotels should be renovated or a replacement suitable hotel must be found.

All the facilities and hotels are within an area of 8kms and between 5 - 15 minutes drive by car / coach.

The Bulgarian Deaf Sports Federation (BDSF) demonstrated an understanding of the Futsal Laws of the Game 2006 throughout the site inspection visit. The BDSF also knew about the ICSD and Deaf World Championships Regulations and demonstrated an understanding of them throughout the site inspection visit.

The fixtures of the men and woman Futsal matches will be organised by the BDSF after the final deadline (15 May 2007). This scheduled action point should be achieved

by the end of June with a clear timetable of matches and venues.

The draw shall be carried out on the day before the championship starts. This will be completed in full view of all team managers and officials after an examination has been agreed between the ICSD and BDSF to ensure a fair draw.

There is no doubt in my mind that the BDSF are fully committed to deliver a quality World Deaf Championship in Futsal.

I am disappointed at being unable to attend the ICSD Congress at Salt Lake City. I would like to pass on my thanks to Tiffany and Josef for their excellent support and advice towards my site inspection at Sofia.

I also would like to thank Nikolay Bozev and Nikolay Nikolov of the Bulgarian Deaf Sports Federation for their hospitality and kindness they showed during my short visit in Sofia.

Finally I would like to wish everyone a very Happy New Year in 2007. May it be a wonderful year for World Deaf Futsal.

Regards,

Christof Niklaus  
ICSD Technical Director Football



Nikolay Bozev, Christof Niklaus, and Nikolay Nikolov

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**Message from Technical Director - Handball**

Here are some interesting facts for you:

Handball became a Deaflympic sport for the first time in 1969 in Belgrade in former Yugoslavia. Since 1969 Handball has continued to be part of Deaflympics program for the past 10 Summer Deaflympics.

The teams that have the gold medal are:

- 5 times - Yugoslavia
- 2 times - Croatia
- 1 time - Germany, Italy, Sweden

The teams that have participated 10 times out of 10, I can assure that the strongest team is Yugoslavia.

After 1985 a lot of teams have retired from the Deaflympics such as Yugoslavia, Sweden, Norway, Iceland, and Italy. Unfortunately the younger generation tend to choose other sports over Handball or the Federations experience financial difficulties and cannot bring a Handball team.

In the last few Summer Deaflympics, there were only 6 teams. I as the TD Handball, am worried for the future if the number of teams keeps on decreasing.

For the 2009 Summer Deaflympics, we must make sure the Federations will have developed Handball programs in preparation for Taipei and then with everything in my heart I am sure there will be more teams.

I have lived with Handball for 40 years with the passion and first as player, then as a technical commissioner for Italian Deaf Handball and finally Technical Director of Handball for Deaflympics. At the 2009 Taipei it will be my 11th Deaflympics.

Mario Torcolini  
ICSD Technical Director - Handball

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## **Message from Technical Director - Shooting**

Hello from Australia!

My name is Mac Adam some of you may have met me during the Melbourne 2005 Summer Deaflympics when I was the Team Manager for Australian Shooting Team.

I would like to congratulate for the German Shooting Team for their success in breaking World Records this year.

Many thanks to Wayne Langbein the Technical Operations Manager for his great assistance in setting up new PDF format for the ICSD Shooting Records and World Shooting Records that have been cleaned up and lined up with ISSF regulations.

Thanks again Wayne!

I would like to encourage the Junior World Records to be established as per ISSF Regulations. The age limit for juniors is up to 21 years of age.

I have received some e-mail messages regarding the confusion about the .22 long rifle caliber or .22 short rifle caliber to be used on 25m Rapid Fire. The World Records for 25m Rapid Fire would be .22 long rifle caliber as per ISSF Regulations.

Please do not hesitate to contact me for further assistance for your shooting enquires.

Mac Adam  
ICSD Technical Director Shooting

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## **Message from Assistant Technical Director - Volleyball**

Happy New Year!

## **Volleyball News Around the World**

I have an idea! I would like to collect volleyball and beach volleyball news from all regional confederations and member nations and share them with you through ICSD eNews. What I am looking for is news and complete official results. My e-mail address is [knetzger@ciss.org](mailto:knetzger@ciss.org).

## **Regional Confederation Championships**

**EDSO** - The 7th European Deaf Volleyball Championships will be held in Kortrijk, Belgium (BEL) on May 11-19, 2007. The official website is <http://www.deafvolleyec07.eu>

The 2nd European Deaf Beach Volleyball Championships will be held in Halkida, Greece (GRE) on August 28 – September 3, 2007. The first championships was held in Antalya, Turkey (TUR) in September 2005.

**PANAMDES** - Venezuela (VEN), a member of Pan American Deaf Sports Federation (PANAMDES), is planning the 4th Pan American Sports Games for the Deaf in Valencia, the third largest city and about 180 km west of Caracas. Volleyball and beach volleyball are on the 10-sport program. The dates are August 11-17, 2007.

PANAMDES has its own Internet address and is in the process of finding a webmaster: <http://www.panamdes.org>

## **World Championships**

An update on future world championships in Volleyball and Beach Volleyball will follow after the 2007 Winter Deaflympics. Believe it or not, both sports never had a world championships! Other sports are starting to have world championships in the next several years.

## **FIVB Official Rules**

The current official international rules are available in PDF file format on the FIVB website:

Beach Volleyball (2003 edition) - <http://www.fivb.ch/EN/BeachVolleyball/Rules/rules.htm>

Volleyball (2005-2008 edition) - <http://www.fivb.ch/EN/Volleyball/Rules/Rules.htm>

## **Beach Volleyball at Taipei 2009**

There is an important change in the technical regulations for beach volleyball. Taipei 2009 will accept a maximum of two (2) men's teams and two (2) women's teams from each nation. Beach volleyball does not follow the same qualifying procedures that other team sports do (for example: basketball and soccer).

Have a happy, healthy and prosperous 2007!

John Knetzger  
ICSD Assistant Technical Director -  
Volleyball

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## **WADA Applauds Swift Ratification by Governments of International Convention against Doping in Sport**

Agency Welcomes Entry into Force as a Key Step in the Global Fight against Doping in Sport

**WADA Press Release - Montreal, 11 December 2006** – The World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) welcomed today the deposit at UNESCO of the 30th instrument of ratification of the International Convention against Doping in Sport (Convention) by the government of Luxembourg. Reaching the threshold of 30 ratifications, required by UNESCO procedures for this convention,

means that the first global treaty against doping in sport will enter into force on February 1, 2007.

“The Convention’s entry into force signals the strong commitment of the governments of the world to the fight against doping in sport,” said WADA President Richard W. Pound. “The drafting and unanimous adoption of this Convention in just two years is a world record for international treaties, and now its entry into force within under a year of its adoption is another record in the history of UNESCO. We warmly commend and thank UNESCO for facilitating the process, and we look forward to the ratification of the Convention by all governments of the world.”

The International Convention against Doping in Sport is the treaty formalizing the commitment of governments to the fight against doping in sport. Until now, many governments could not be legally bound by a non-governmental document such as the World Anti-Doping Code (Code), the document harmonizing regulations regarding anti-doping in all sports and all countries of the world, which entered into force on January 1, 2004. Governments accordingly drafted the International Convention under the auspices of UNESCO - the United Nations body responsible for education, science and culture - enabling them to align their domestic policies with the Code and thereby harmonizing sport rules and public legislation in the fight against doping in sport. This Convention was unanimously adopted by the 191 States present at the General Conference of UNESCO in Paris, France, on October 19, 2005.

“The speed at which governments are ratifying the Convention clearly shows that public authorities are well aware of the importance of stemming the scourge of doping in sport and its impact on public

health. Governments also recognize the need to partner with the sports movement to coordinate efforts for efficiency and effectiveness in anti-doping,” said WADA Vice-President and Minister for Culture and Sport in Denmark Brian Mikkelsen. “The commitment of governments to this fight has been highlighted by their decisive action in a number of recent high-profile cases and investigations, and I am certain that the partnership between governments and the sports movement, facilitated by WADA, will continue to grow.”

Governments’ authority, when applied to the fight against doping, greatly advances efforts. For example, governments can take action against the illegal manufacture and supply of doping substances, facilitate doping controls, support education, fund research, and take other equally important measures.

Some 186 countries have signed the Copenhagen Declaration on Anti-Doping in Sport, the political document through which governments show their intention to implement the World Anti-Doping Code through ratification of the UNESCO Convention. It is expected that all of them will ratify the Convention for practical implementation of the universally accepted anti-doping rules and principles.

You can find the list of countries that have ratified the Convention and more information on the Convention by [clicking here](#).

The UNESCO Web site also provides valuable information on the Convention: [www.unesco.org/en/antidoping](http://www.unesco.org/en/antidoping)

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**World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA)  
Update**

**Code Review & Consultation: January 2007 Update**

**Montreal, January 3, 2007** – WADA has published online its January update on the World Anti-Doping Code (Code) Review & Consultation. The monthly updates help keep stakeholders apprised of Code Review & Consultation progress. The Review & Consultation is modeled on the extensive

process that was used with stakeholders for the initial development of the Code and stresses practical and constructive solutions for enhancing anti-doping programs worldwide.

Click [here](#) for the update.

# Deaf Sports Events

## **Deaf International Basketball Federation News**

### **Draw for World Deaf Basketball Championships in Guangzhou, China**

The draw for the World Championships will be arranged in Guangzhou, China on Saturday 10 March. All participating countries are invited to the draw at own expenses. At the same time it would be favourable with an inspection of hotel and other facilities in Guangzhou. Please contact Ms. Cecilia Wang [gzdbc2007@126.com](mailto:gzdbc2007@126.com) for further details and with copy to [secretary-general@dibf.org](mailto:secretary-general@dibf.org).

DIBF President Mr. Jussi Raisio and DIBF Secretary General Mr. Kjell Gunna will be present during the draw and for the last inspection trip of the arrangement. They will be happy to answer questions.

### **Deaf Youth Basketball Camp in Nairobi, Kenya**

During 22-27 January a Deaf Youth Basketball Camp with about 55 deaf girls and boys, age 14-18 years and their leaders will be arranged in Nairobi, Kenya. Participants are from Kenya and their neighbouring countries Ethiopia, Rwanda, Uganda and Tanzania. The camp is economically supported by FIBA and the Deaf International Basketball Federation and organised after FIBA model "Basketball Without Borders".

Organisers and coordinators of the Camp are President of Kenya Sport Federation of the Deaf Mr. Peter Kalae and his assistant Mr.

Juma Kent. Conductor of the camp will be DIBF Secretary General Mr. Kjell Gunna.

The program will, besides basketball training twice a day, also include information about doping, HIV/AIDS, swimming lessons, culture evenings, sight-seeing and more.

FIBA News also had published this information, [http://www.fiba.com/pages/en/news/latest\\_news\\_article.asp?r\\_act\\_news=17315](http://www.fiba.com/pages/en/news/latest_news_article.asp?r_act_news=17315)

### **Deaf Basketball referee clinic in Stockholm, Sweden**

The Deaf International Basketball Federation is arranging the first deaf referee clinic ever in any deaf sports. Dates are 16-18 March and is arranged in Stockholm, Sweden. Conductor and leader of the clinic is FIBA Commissioner Mr. Orjan Engberg, Sweden, and coordinator of the event is DIBF Secretary General Mr. Kjell Gunna.

Program: FIBA news regarding rules, information about FIBA International referees licence, two and three referees officiating games, personal appearance, cooperation with hearing referees and more. All participants passing the tests will be awarded a diploma of DIBF International Referee licence giving them authority to administrate deaf basketball games at all levels including DIBF World Championships, Deaflympics and Regional Championships.

Participation entries already from Chinese Taipei, Greece, Italy, Mexico, Sweden and United States and to reduce expenses they will live with deaf families in Stockholm for also deaf cultural exchanges.

In future also DIBF Commissioner clinics will be arranged aiming to educate DIBF Commissioners to cooperate with FIBA Commissioners in administration and leading whole deaf international basketball tournaments and single games. This requires a throughout knowledge of both FIBA rules, DIBF rules and ICSD rules. More information later.

Kind regards,

Kjell Gunna  
DIBF Secretary General

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# Deaf Sports In Brief

## In memory of Emmanuel Rossel



ICSD has lost a good dear friend and a long time supporter of Deaf Sports, **Emmanuel Rossel**. He died on the 11th of January 2007 at the clinic in Ghent, Belgium after a long and incurable disease at the age of 68 years. He was married to Suzanne Van De Wiele and has two children and 3 grandchildren. The funeral has taken place on the 18th of January in the church of O.L.V. Hemelvaart in Nieuwerkerken-Aalst. There were more than 200 deaf and hearing friends to honor and remember Emmanuel. Isabelle Malaurie, president of EDSO and a regional representative of ICSD, was also present at the funeral.

Emmanuel grew up at the Deaf School in Ghent and he was a tailor by profession but not for long before he took the opportunity to become an employee at the bank until his retirement. He was a member of the deaf football club in Ghent for many years and was also the President of this club. Emmanuel was a talented football player and he was selected several times for the National Belgian deaf football team. In 1980 he started with a football club in Aalst, where he was working as a secretary.

Emmanuel had been active for many years for the Deaf Sports Federation of Belgium, EDSO, and ICSD.

- **Royal Deaf Sport Federation of Belgium**  
Member of the Committee 1984-1988  
President 1988-1997  
Vice-President 1997-1998
- **Flemish Deaf Sport League founded in 1978**  
Treasurer 1978-1997  
Chairman 1985-1997
- **FRSSB Football Committee**  
Member of the committee 1974-1982  
Secretary 1982-2005
- **FRSSB Indoor Football**  
Secretary 1998-2005
- **Technical Director of CISS Football 1993-2005**
- **Technical Director of EDSO Football 1992-2005**
- **Member of the Disabled Sport League**  
Member of the Committee 1983-1985  
Vice-Chairman 1985-1997

We are not only losing a great sportsman but a real ambassador for the Deaf Sport on a National and International level. We thank Emmanuel for his honourable work for the deaf sports. We will miss him. Thanks to Boudewyn de Roose of FRSSB for providing us with information for this article.

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## 2006 WIDEX Sportsman and Sportswomen Award Finalists

### Men's Category:



KOCH

**Björn KOCH** (GER) - Swimming  
Winner with 30 points

Born 11 JAN 1988, his accomplishment for this year was at the EDSO Championships in Thessaloniki, Greece where he won three (3) gold medals in 100m butterfly, 200m butterfly, and 200m individual medley, silver medal in 50m butterfly, and two (2) bronze medals in 200m freestyle and 4x100m medley relay.



NOLAN

**Eoin NOLAN** (IRL) – Swimming  
Finalist with 29 points

Born 17 MAY 1987 in Wexford, Ireland. Eoin's accomplishments for this year includes winning several medals at the EDSO Swimming Championship in Greece, Breaking the 200m Freestyle European record. Representing Ireland (Hearing National team) in Water polo for European Junior Water polo Qualification. Also represented Irish Deaf Water polo team in European Water Polo Championship in Hungary where his team won Bronze.



NOWAK

**Rafal NOWAK** (POL) – Athletics  
Finalist with 26 points

Born 26 APR 1975 in Czestochowa, Poland. Rafal's accomplishments for this year include holding World Records in 3000m and 3000m steeplechase. He participated in EDSO Cross Country Championship and won two gold medals.



DONCHEV

**Plamen DONCHEV** (BUL) – Wrestling  
Finalist with 24 points

Born 16 DEC 1984 in Gorna Orjachovica, Bulgaria. Plamen's accomplishment for this year was being the National Champion for his free style 66kg class.



SOUTHERN

**Patrick SOUTHERN** (USA) – Athletics  
Finalist with 22 points

Born 26 MAR 1982 in Indiana USA. Patrick is currently a student at Nebraska University and has been participating in NCAA Division I competitions for the past 4 years. He broke Deaf World Record during the Indoor season but unfortunately was not recognized because it was done indoors. Patrick continued to work harder during the Outdoor season and he reached 5.06m (16'7.25") twice which is a World Record performance. He was very close to reaching 17' (5.18m) few times as well. He is hoping to turn professional next

year.

Additional 2006 honors includes:

Big XII All-Academic First Team 2004-2006

Big XII Commissioner's Honor Roll 2001-2006

40th in 2006 NCAA National Ranking List; 13th in Midwest Regional

Deaf World Record Holder



FARRELL

**Lee FARRELL** (GBR) – Football

Finalist with 17 points

Born 31 MAR 1983 in England. Lee won a Gold Medal at the 2005 Deaflympics with the GB Deaf Football team; this was the first time he competed in the competition. He proved to be one of the most prolific players of the tournament and scored the winning goal with the last kick of the tournament in the extra time! After returning from Australia, Lee's progress has been monitored by a professional football team who offered him a semi-professional contract as soon as he returned. Lee now plays for Lewes FC, in the Nationwide Conference and this so far this season is one of the top scorers in the team. Lee is an excellent role model for young deaf people.

### **Women's Category:**



POLIVANCHUK

**Anna POLIVANCHUK** (SWE) – Swimming

Winner with 53 points

Born 31 AUG 1990, her accomplishments for this year were at the EDSO Swimming Championships in Thessaloniki, Greece where she earned six (6) of the total 17 medals for Sweden. Three (3) of them are gold, two (2) silver and one (1) bronze. In addition, Anna holds 25 European records, eight (8) of them are senior records at 25 m pool, and another eight (8) of them are junior records also at 25m pool. Two (2) of them are senior records at 50m pool and another seven (7) of them are junior records at 50m pool.



DAVISON

**Joanne DAVISON** (GBR) – Athletics

Finalist with 48 points

Born 16.05.1964 in England. Since injury curtailed her involvement in road racing, Joanne's love for sport encouraged her to take up the hammer event to avoid her injury problems at age of 36! Her hard work and commitment has not only won her the Deaflympics Hammer Gold in her first Deaflympics, but since then, she has gone on to break the World Record nearly 10 times since the end of the 2005 Deaflympics. She is a true role model for both young and older generation athletes – she proves that age should be no barriers to participating in sports.



**Kristina DOVYDAITYTE** (LTU) – Badminton  
Finalist with 28 points

Born 30 OCT 1985 in Klaipeda, Lithuania. Kristina's accomplishments for this year was at the EDSO Badminton Championship where she won one gold medal in women single, one silver in mixed double and one bronze in women double.

DOVYDAITYTE



**Saskia FISCHER** (GER) – Badminton  
Finalist with 25 points

Born 02 MAY 1980. Saskia's accomplishments for this year was at the EDSO Badminton Championship where she placed 1st for Women double, 1st for Mixed and 2nd for Team.

FISCHER



**Veronika JANK** (AUT) – Swimming  
Finalist with 15 points

Born 14 MAR 1984 in Wien, Austria. Veronika's accomplishment for this year was at the EDSO Swimming Championships in Thessaloniki, Greece where she placed 5th place in 400m and 800 m Freestyle.

JANK



**Gergana BARAMOVA** (BUL) – Badminton  
Finalist with 13 points

Born 09 DEC 1985 in Veliko Tarnovo, Bulgaria. Gergana's accomplishment for this year was at the EDSO Badminton Championship where she placed 2nd in singles.

BARAMOVA

## 2006 Approved World Records and World Junior Records

Technical Directors of Athletics - Barbara C. Søndergaard, Shooting - Mac Adam, and Swimming - Reed Gershwind recognised and proudly announce 2006 approved World Records and World Junior Records below. International Committee of Sports for the Deaf congratulates all of the athletes who accomplished their feat for year 2006.

### 2006 APPROVED WORLD RECORDS

#### ATHLETICS – MEN

3000m	8:21.83	NOWAK Rafal (1975)	POL	10 Jun 2006	Poznań, POL
3000m steeplechase	8:57.33	NOWAK Rafal (1975)	POL	27 May 2006	Biala Podlaska, POL
	8:57.31	NOWAK Rafal (1975)	POL	21 Jul 2006	Bydgoszcz, POL
pole vault	5.06	SOUTHERN Patrick (1982)	USA	15 Apr 2006	Lincoln, USA
hammer throw	57.64	MORIMOTO Masatoshi (1985)	JPN	13 May 2006	Saitama, JPN
	59.44	MORIMOTO Masatoshi (1985)	JPN	13 May 2006	Saitama, JPN

half marathon	1:10:37	NOWAK Rafal (1975)	POL	24 Sep 2006	Żyto, POL
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### **ATHLETICS – WOMEN**

10000m	36:36.21	ALDER-BAERENS Nele (1978)	GER	14 May 2006	Berlin, GER
long jump	5.92 (w -1.0)	BACHMATIUK Magdalena (1986)	POL	9 Sep 2006	Poznań, POL
triple jump	12.92 (w 1.2)	BACHMATIUK Magdalena (1986)	POL	14 Sep 2006	Łódź, POL
hammer throw	48.14	DAVISON Joanne (1964)	GBR	14 May 2006	Crawley, GBR
	48.36	DAVISON Joanne (1964)	GBR	14 May 2006	Crawley, GBR
	49.97	DAVISON Joanne (1964)	GBR	17 Jun 2006	London, GBR
javelin throw	44.96	OLENKO Kairit (1985)	EST	22 Jul 2006	Tallinn, EST
10km	36:52	ALDER-BAERENS Nele (1978)	GER	5 Aug 2006	Berlin, GER

### **SHOOTING**

25m rapid fire pistol (60 shots)	543	LACKERBAUER Werner (1965)	GER	30 Sep 2006	Wiesbaden, GER
25m rapid fire pistol (60 shots) final	715.3	LACKERBAUER Werner (1965)	GER	30 Sep 2006	Wiesbaden, GER
25m rapid fire pistol (60 shots) team	1545	LACKERBAUER Werner (1965) DRÖNNER Gerhard (1947) MACKERT Peter (1956)	GER	30 Sep 2006	Wiesbaden, GER

### **SWIMMING – MEN (Long Course 50m)**

100m butterfly	57.56	KOCH Björn (1988)	GER	19 Jun 2006	Thessaloniki, GRE
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### **SWIMMING – WOMEN (Long Course 50m)**

50m freestyle	27.07	LYTVYNENKO Ganna (1970)	UKR	23 Jun 2006	Thessaloniki, GRE
100m freestyle	58.90	LYTVYNENKO Ganna (1970)	UKR	20 Jun 2006	Thessaloniki, GRE
50m breaststroke	35.28	PETRUSHENKA Aksana (1984)	BLR	19 Jun 2006	Thessaloniki, GRE
50m butterfly	29.62	POLIVANCHUK Alexandra (1990)	SWE	21 Jun 2006	Thessaloniki, GRE
	29.23	POLIVANCHUK Alexandra (1990)	SWE	21 Jun 2006	Thessaloniki, GRE

### **SWIMMING – MEN (Short Course 25m)**

1500m freestyle	16:47.51	WEINHAGEN Alexander (1985)	SWE	25 Nov 2006	Uppsala, SWE
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### **SWIMMING – WOMEN (Short Course 25m)**

100m freestyle	59.61	POLIVANCHUK Anna (1990)	SWE	8 Apr 2006	Bollnas, SWE
200m freestyle	2:08.18	POLIVANCHUK Anna (1990)	SWE	14 Jan 2006	Sundsvall, SWE
50m backstroke	31.50	POLIVANCHUK Anna (1990)	SWE	24 Nov 2006	Uppsala, SWE
100m backstroke	1:08.80	POLIVANCHUK Anna (1990)	SWE	18 Mar 2006	Sundsvall, SWE
	1:07.86	POLIVANCHUK Anna (1990)	SWE	23 Nov 2006	Uppsala, SWE
200m backstroke	2:30.78	POLIVANCHUK Anna (1990)	SWE	9 Apr 2006	Bollnas, SWE
	2:28.11	POLIVANCHUK Anna (1990)	SWE	22 Oct 2006	Härnösand, SWE
50m breaststroke	36.30	POLIVANCHUK Anna (1990)	SWE	18 Mar 2006	Sundsvall, SWE
50m butterfly	28.99	POLIVANCHUK Alexandra (1990)	SWE	25 Nov 2006	Uppsala, SWE
100m butterfly	1:05.85	POLIVANCHUK Alexandra (1990)	SWE	15 Jan 2006	Sundsvall, SWE
	1:05.08	POLIVANCHUK Alexandra (1990)	SWE	22 Oct 2006	Härnösand, SWE
	1:04.91	POLIVANCHUK Alexandra (1990)	SWE	23 Nov 2006	Uppsala, SWE

## 2006 APPROVED WORLD JUNIOR RECORDS

### ATHLETICS – MEN

800m	1:59.0	RATHEY Douglas (1988)	GBR	3 Jun 2006	Middlesbrough, GBR
1500m	4:18.80	HELMIS Daniel (1988)	GER	2 Jun 2006	Essen, GER
	4:16.63	HELMIS Daniel (1988)	GER	2 Jul 2006	Berlin, GER
3000m	9:27.32	MARSCHNER David (1990)	GER	29 Apr 2006	Wenden-Gerlingen, GER
	9:25.84	HELMIS Daniel (1988)	GER	21 May 2006	Berlin, GER
	9:17.10	MARSCHNER David (1990)	GER	17 Jun 2006	Kevelaer, GER
5000m	9:15.23	MARSCHNER David (1990)	GER	23 Jun 2006	Siegburg, GER
	16:43.03	HELMIS Daniel (1988)	GER	14 May 2006	Berlin, GER

### ATHLETICS – WOMEN

100m (** tied **)	13.05 (w 1.1)	DAUSCH Marta (1987)	GER	1 Jul 2006	Schwerin, GER
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## 2006 AWAITING RATIFICATION WORLD RECORDS

### ATHLETICS – MEN

10km	34:39	GÖPFERT Thomas (1979)	GER	3 Sep 2006	Karlsdorf-Neuthard, GER
	33:43	GÖPFERT Thomas (1979)	GER	15 Apr 2006	Rheinzabern, GER
100km	9:57:50.6	ROSENBAUM Jörg (1966)	GER	9 Jun 2006	Biel, SUI

### ATHLETICS – WOMEN

3000m steeplechase	12:11.99	MÁRQUEZ BURDALLO Sandra (1977)	ESP	19 Jul 2006	Corrales de Buelna, ESP
half marathon	1:22:18	NILSSON Ulrika (1966)	SWE	2 Sep 2006	Stockholm, SWE

## 2006 AWAITING RATIFICATION WORLD JUNIOR RECORDS

### ATHLETICS – MEN

long jump	6.40 (w 0.7)	BEDNAREK Markus (1989)	GER	30 Sep 2006	Neuwied, GER
4x100m relay	44.90	CONN Philip (1989)	USA	6 May 2006	Waco, USA
		LANE Cruz (1989)			
		PEREZ Justin (1990)			
		HUDSON Kevin (1988)			
4x400m relay	3:33.84	HUDSON Kevin (1988)	USA	6 May 2006	Waco, USA
		PEREZ Justin (1990)			
		LANE Cruz (1989)			
		DIAZ Wesley (1987)			

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# IOC In Brief

## **Candidature Procedure 2014 - All three candidate cities submit their files to the IOC**

IOC Press Release - 11 January 2007

The International Olympic Committee (IOC) today announced that it has received the Candidature Files of the three Candidate Cities bidding to host the XXII Olympic Winter Games in 2014. Sochi (Russia), Salzburg (Austria) and PyeongChang (Republic of Korea)[1] all delivered their files before the deadline of midnight tonight.

The three cities were accepted as Candidate Cities by the IOC Executive Board on 22 June 2006 from a total of seven Applicant Cities, which also included Jaca (Spain), Almaty (Kazakhstan), Sofia (Bulgaria) and Borjomi (Georgia).

The IOC Evaluation Commission, chaired by IOC Vice-President Mr Chiharu Igaya, will now analyse the Candidature Files and make site inspections as follows:

PyeongChang: 14-17 February 2007  
Sochi: 20-23 February 2007  
Salzburg: 14-17 March 2007

The Commission will then prepare a report that will be published and submitted to IOC members no later than one month before the election of the Host City on 4 July 2007 during the 119th IOC Session in Guatemala City.

Please note that the IOC will not release the Candidature Files, but has informed the Candidate Cities that they can make their Files public and post them on their websites if they so wish as soon as they receive the

IOC's written authorisation, which will be given today.

[1] Cities are listed in the order of drawing of lots.

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## **Death of Judge Kéba Mbaye, IOC Honorary Member since 2002**

IOC Press Release - 12 January 2007

The International Olympic Committee (IOC) was deeply saddened to learn of the death last night of Judge Kéba Mbaye, aged 82.

Born in Kaolack (Senegal) in 1924, and a former Vice-President of the International Court of Justice, Judge Kéba Mbaye had been President of the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) since 1983 and Chairman of the IOC Ethics Commission since 1999.

An IOC member from 1973 to 2002, Kéba Mbaye was also an IOC Vice-President (1988-1992, 1998-2002) and an Executive Board member (1984-1988, 1993-1998). He chaired numerous commissions, including Apartheid and Olympism (1989-1992), Sport and Law (1995-2002), Juridical (1993-2002) and Nominations (2000-2002).

A man of letters and the law, he was the author of works such as "Les réalités du monde noir et les Droits de l'Homme" (Realities of the Black World and Human Rights), "Les droits de l'Homme en Afrique" (Human Rights in Africa), and "le CIO et l'Afrique du Sud – Analyse et illustration d'une politique sportive humaniste" (The IOC and South Africa – Analysis and Illustration of a Humanist Sports Policy).

“Kéba Mbaye was one of those men whose humanity and charisma mark you for life”, said the IOC President, who is today concluding his first trip of the year to Africa. “Thanks to his extraordinary eloquence, he could communicate his love of Olympism and his unshakeable faith in humanity and its ability to build a better world. His devotion to the Olympic Movement and its values was unfailing. We have lost a great man,” he added.

The IOC has expressed its deepest sympathy to the Judge’s family.

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