

Sport News Round Up February 20th



Baseball

The national female baseball teams of Cuba and Canada continue today their traditional baseball-cap at the *Latinoamericano stadium* in this capital.

These tops are now in its 5th edition, and this time comprising 2 caps a day, one at 9 am. and another at 3 pm., both free of charge.

And speaking of baseball, this time regarding the *53rd National Baseball Series*, Industriales emphasized its declination after suffering its 5th straight loss and now shares the 5th seat of the Tables tied with Artemisa and Isla de la Juventud, all with 33 wins and 28 losses.

Wrestling

Cuban officials expect the presence of athletes from Ecuador, the Dominican Republic, Nicaragua and Guatemala to attend the next *Manuel Suárez International Weightlifting Tournament in memoriam*.

These nations showed their intention to participate in the lid, scheduled from the 9th to the 16th of March at the *19 de Noviembre Sports complex*, in the western Cuban province of Pinar del Río, *Jit digital sports*

newspaper reports.

Pentathlon

The Cuban modern pentathlon team is fulfilling an exhaustive training plan in the Mexican training base of Pachuca, to get in shape for their participation in the first stage of the World Cup.

Cuban pentathlon commissioner Doris Mallorquin said the members of the Cuban team are better prepared, compared to the same period of 2013, especially with a better preparation in the shooting event.

In the context of their training plan in Pachuca, a place more than 2,400 meters over sea level, the Cuban team competed in the national championship with a relevant performance by Lester del Rosario, the winner of a bronze medal among 34 participants.

Other Cuban participants were Yaniel Velázquez, silver medalist in the Central American and Caribbean Games in Cartagena de Indias, 2006, José Figueroa, silver medal in the *2013 Champion Cup*, y Leydi Laura Moya, gold in the 1st *Youth Olympic Games*.

Moya had a problem with her horse, when it refused to jump the fifth hurdle in the competition, and this stopped her from winning a medal.

This young Cuban female athlete has an excellent shooting and racing performance combination, and constitutes the Cuban fundamental support for a medal in the next Central American Games in Veracruz.

Boxing

The *Astana Arlans* of Kazakhstan came to the Cuban capital on Wednesday with a change in their regular payroll to match *Los Domadores* of Cuba in the next show of the *World Boxing Series*.

The new Astana Arlans representative will fight in the 49 kg., his name is Temirtas Zhussupov, who replaced Azamat Isakullov, but no one of them has any previous match in the WSB.

Temirtas Zhussupov will be the contender of Cuban fighter and World Championship bronze medalist Yosvany Veitia, a man with 4 victories in 4 matches at the WSB.

Other favorites for the Cuban team, are Yasnier Toledo (60 kg), Erislandy Savón (91) and Ramón Luis (75), against Ruslan Madiev, Arbek Abduganiev and Yerik Alzhanov, respectively.

The most attractive match will be in the 56 kilos, between Marcos Forestal (Cuba) with 2 victories in the competition, and Bagdad Alimbekov, a fighter with 7 victories and 1 defeat in his performances in the WSB, one of his victories gotten in this edition.

Los Domadores heads Group B with 21 points, while Kazakhstan has got 19. If the Cuban team wins, they will ensure the first place in the group.

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