

# *Sport News Roundup May 8*

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## **Boxing**

The Cuban boxing team secured 9 tickets of 9 possible at the *1st Qualifier for the Central American and Caribbean Games Veracruz-2014*, which takes place in Tijuana, Mexico.

The win was this time to Gerardo Cervantes in the 52 kg., who is joined to the group composed by Lázaro Álvarez, 60, Yasnier Toledo, 64, Roniel Iglesias, 69, Ramón Luis, 75, Julio César La Cruz, 81, Erislandy Savón, 91, and Yoandris Toirac, +91 kg; Cuba's only loss in the semifinals went to the rookie and debutant in 49 kg., Santiago Amador.

This Thursday will be a rest day while 10 fights for titles will be held on Friday, including 7 Cubans, 4 Puerto Ricans, 3 Dominicans, 3 Colombians, 1 Guatemalan, 1 Costa Rican and 1 Mexican.

## **Athletics**

Between the Cuban Yarisley Silva and German Silke Spiegelburg could be centered the winner in pole vault for ladies at the *Diamond League* to be held this Friday at the *Qatar Sport Center*, in Doha, Qatar.

The most recent update of the organizers also includes well known Anastasiya Savchenko, from Russia and Greek Nikoleta Kyriakopoulou.

The Caribbean, Olympic silver medalist and world champion in indoors, comes with the best record of the season thanks to the 4.66 meters that she imposed outdoors in Des Moines and owns the top among the contestants with the 4.90 meters achieved in 2013. Her teammates, the triple jumper Mabel Gay and 800-meter runner Rosemary Almanza complete the Cuban presence.

Meanwhile, Spiegelburg, Olympic finalist and world winner a year ago, has no official records so far in the summer season, and shows 4.65 that sent her to 7th place in the indoor lid held in Sopot, Poland.

## **Cycling**

Cyclists from 22 countries will participate from this Thursday in the *Continental Road Cycling Championship*, based in Puebla, Mexico, which awards 36 berths for the *Toronto-2015 Pan-American Games*.

The event will feature the best 250 cyclists in the continent, representing Colombia, Venezuela, Cuba, Argentina, the United States, Ecuador, Dominican Republic, Guatemala and the host country, who will compete until Sunday in the *route* and *trial* categories.

Edgardo Hernandez, head of the Mexican Cycling Federation said the first 5 places of the *trial (m) and (f)*, and the 13 best times on the *route* will have secured their berths for Canada.

The tournament begins this Thursday with the *elite time trial* for women pedaling 18 km, which will be followed by the *U-23 individual time trial* for men covering 30 km., to end with the *individual time trial of 45 km. male elite*; Finally, *route modality* for women and men will be held on Saturday and Sunday, in that order.

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