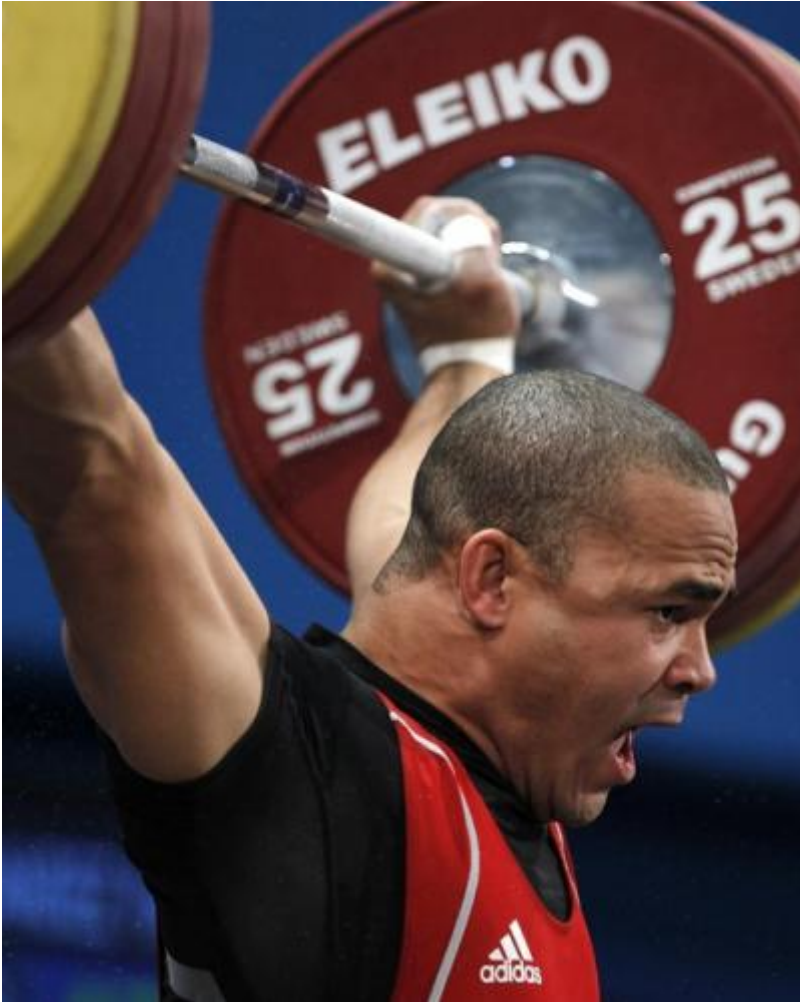


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Weightlifting

The *Pan-American Weightlifting Championship*, headquartered near the capital of Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, shows its 2nd competitive day with action in 3 categories.

According to the program, which brings together 247 athletes from 23 countries, women are competing at the *Parque del Este* for medals in the 53 and 58 kilogram divisions while men are doing the same in the 69.

Colombia ratified its regional strength to grab all the gold medals in 56 and 62 kg for males yesterday through the Chambers and Habib Francisco Mosquera, respectively.

In the 56 kg division, Chilean Francisco Barrera scored 2 silver medals in the clean and jerk and the total, while the Dominican Ronald Peña garnered a subtitle in snatch and a 3rd in sum of both years.

Meanwhile, Cuban Lazaro Maykel Ruiz won 2 silver medals in snatch and total in 62 kilos, a division that is not usually his.

Also, Dominicans Cándida Vázquez and Georgina Silvestre became the leading figures in the 48 kg, harvesting 3 gold medals, 2 silvers and 1 bronze medal between the two.

Boxing

Azerbaijan's *Baku Fires* unveiled the line-up to face Cuba's *Los Domadores* for the *World Series of Boxing (WSB), Season IV Champion's* title.

The squad is led by Albert Selimov (60 kg), double European monarch and world champion in Chicago-2007, Gaybatulla Gadzhaliyev (64kg), European champion in 2010, and Elvin Mamishzada (52kg), silver in Europe in 2010, who would face double world champion Lázaro Álvarez, Yasnier Toledo, Olympic bronze in London 2012, and Gerardo Cervantes, respectively.

According to the official website of the event, *Baku Fires'* payroll also includes Magomed Ibiyev (49kg), Magomed Gurbanov (56kg), Khaybula Musalov (75kg) and Abdulkadir Abdullayev (91kg) on the first day.

On the 2nd date, would fight Mahamed Nurudzinou (69kg), Belarusian Mikhail Dauhaliavets (81kg) and Arslanbek Makhmudov (over 91kg), in addition to Selimov and Mamishzada.

It was previously known that Cuba would also attend with Yosbany Veitía (49kg), Norlan Yera (56kg), Roniel Iglesias (69kg), Arlen Lopez (75kg), Julio Cesar La Cruz (81kg), Erislandy Savón (91kg) and José Angel Larduet (over 91kg).

The *WSB Season IV* Finals will take place in the beautiful city of Bakú, Azerbaijan, on June 6th and 7th at the *Sarhadchi Olympic Sport Complex*, a modern facility built in 2009, with capacity for 2,200 seats.

In the event of a draw on aggregate after 10 bouts, the champion will be decided by a Welterweight (69kg) tiebreaker between Azerbaijan's *Baku Fires* Yauheni Ramashkevich and Cuba's *Los Domadores* Arisnoydis Despaigne.

IAAF Diamond League

Cuban discus thrower Yaime Pérez will try today Friday to get on the podium for the 3rd leg of the *IAAF Diamond League* that will be held this weekend in Eugene, Oregon, in the United States.

Perez, who got a personal best of 66.03m a few days ago in Havana, hopes to be included on the podium this time.

In the Shanghai, Perez ranked fourth with a modest throw of 61.22, so she will take advantage of her good time to approach the leaders.

Discus star Sandra Perkovic (Croatia) is the reigning world and Olympic champion and a two-time winner of the IAAF Diamond Trophy.

Cuban triple jumper Ernesto Revé will also compete Friday. Revé had a modest jump of 16.74 m in Havana and is supposed to ratify or improve the 2nd place won by Cuban Lazaro Martinez in Shanghai.

This leg in the U.S. state of Oregon, will feature several world and Olympic champions in the 16 disciplines convened including Croatia's high jumper Ana Simic, American sprinter Justin Gatlin, American Allyson Felix (200m), Jamaican Shelly-Ann Fraser-Pryce (200m), Kenya's David Rudisha (800m), among others.

Cycling

Starting today and running through Saturday, athletes from Mexico, Spain, Guatemala, Ecuador and Cuba are competing in the *Cuba Track Cycling Cup* at the *Reinaldo Paseiro velodrome* in this capital.

The Cuban team is led by world multi-medalists Lisandra Guerra and Yumari Gonzalez and young promises Arlenis Sierra, Marlies Mejías y Yudelmis Domínguez.

Cuban cyclists invited to the event include Frank Carlos Consuegra, son of the star touring racer Frank Consuegra, who is considered the best local hope after having won 3 gold medals at the Youth National Championship where he also set a record for that level.

This contest will be very important for Cubans, Mexicans and Guatemalans who are trying to classify for *Veracruz 2014*, at the end of November.



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