

# *Sports News Roundup August 17*

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## **Volleyball**

Last World Championship silver medalists China began their campaign in the competition with a loss on the hands of Cuba at the *FIVB Volleyball Boys' U19 World Cup*. The Caribbean side prevailed 3-1 (25-15, 25-22, 18-25, 25-22) and celebrated for the first time in Argentina.

Miguel Ángel López shone as the best in Cuba with 20 kills and was also in charge of the final point while his teammates Ismel Pelayo and José Romero González joined him with 10 points each.

On the Chinese side, Yu Yuantai completed 18 spikes, while middle-blocker, Tao Zixuan, and reserve player, Zhou Liying, were behind with 13 points apiece; however, Cuba did better in all scoring departments and that enabled the win.

## **Boxing**

Who are the best Cuban boxers of the moment? Pan-American World proposes a list divided into two sections: amateur and professional pugilists.

In the 5th edition of the World Boxing Series, which is going to give positions for *2016 Rio de Janeiro Olympic Games*, has selected Robeisy Ramírez in the 56-kilogram division, Lázaro Álvarez, Roniel Iglesias (69), and Erislandy Savón, and some others, as the best ones while Cuban coach of *Los*

*Domadores* Rolando Acebal was handpicked as the finest trainer in 2014, which means that the recovery of Cuban boxing school is already a fact, affirmed the experts.

### **Football**

The Cuban women's Olympic soccer team left here to the Dominican Republic to take part in the heats of the *Caribbean Union* (CFU English acronym), in search of the only berth to attend the great Caribbean final.

In its preliminary group, the students of Camagüey's technical director Renier Bonora will debut against Guyana on August 23rd and will go against Saint Kitts and Nevis on the 25th.

In addition, tomorrow Bonora's women will have a friendly match will face off the Dominican Republic's national team U-23.

As part of its preparatory stage for this event, the Cubans previously collided with two Cuban men's teams of the capital, at the *Pedro Marrero Stadium*, always with favorable results.

### **Equestrian Sports**

The realization of equestrian sports in rural areas is part of the festive summer programming, designed in Cuba to ensure the amusement of the people in all parts of the country.

### **Baseball**

The Cuban sports movement is in mourning, as the star baseball player Miguel Pilotaje Telemaco, a member of a triad of brothers who extolled Cuban baseball, died in the city of Guantanamo at age 76, a victim of a prolonged respiratory condition.

### **Basketball**

The disciples of Alberto Zabala fell 82-66 facing their Canadian counterpart in search of the only disputed quota for *Rio de Janeiro 2016 Olympics* in basketball, now with slate of 82-66 (19-22, 25-13, 21-19, 17-12).

The hosts were imposed in all categories, highlighting locals Kia Nurse with 20 points, Natalie Achonwa (12 points and 5 rebounds) and Miah-Marie Langlois (11 points and 8 assistances), while by Cuba stood Leydis Oquendo (25 points with 5 shots under the basket), Clenia Noblet (16-10), and Yamara Bitter with 13 points.

For Cubans, queens of the version in 2013, the return to the Olympic lid, unpatented from *Sydney 2000*, remains for now as a dream, while the hosts will seek their 5th World Cup seat.



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