

# *Sports News Roundup Dec. 4*

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## **Boxing**

The classification boxing system in Rio de Janeiro's Olympic Games will include several new segments and will award 240 out of 250 quotas among men.

The *International Boxing Association (AIBA)*, announced that 17 of these posts will emerge from the ranking of the *World Series (WSB)* from 2014 to 2015, and 20 for the winner after the *APB* tournament, also in the coming season.

Another 23 will be officially made during the World Cup in the same season and 115 in continental championships, and in 2016, to finish with an universal cap that grants 39 tickets more.

The information adds that another 26 berths are reserved for the WSB-APB winners, 5 to the host country and as many to be granted by a tripartite commission.

In total, there will be 22 contestants in 49 kilos, 26 in 52 and 81, 28 in 56, 60, 64, 69 and 75 kilos, and 18 berths to 91 and over 91.

## **Cycling**

A dozen foreign and 14 national teams have confirmed their participation at the *XXXV Independence of Dominican Republic Cycling Tour* from February 20th to 27th next year.

According to the competitive calendar, the tour will have 8 stages covering over 1,000 km. with the corresponding disclosure of tourist and ecological sites of interest.

The 1st stage will depart from the capital's *Independence Park* to cover 146 km. on the way back and forth from Santo Domingo to San Pedro de Macoris, in the east.

A year ago, the Colombian Edwin Sánchez, from Guadalupe, was the champion of the tournament, which included 10 foreign teams.

## **Soccer**

Just within hours the networks are flooded with congratulations and thanks to Cuban players for their brilliant performance in the Central American and Caribbean Games in Veracruz, Mexico, where they reached a memorable bronze metal.

The vote was unanimous: the heartfelt medal of the regional multi-sport event came with goals and long runs a generation that invites optimism after so many years mired in soccer mediocrity with constant leaks and the disappointment of watching multiple talents, but without the bellows needed to win as members of the national team.

In an exclusive to OnCuba, the midfielder Yordan Santa Cruz, the Cuban sensation in Veracruz, where many experts were stunned by his technical abilities and superb physical deployment, said Veracruz 2014 was an unforgettable experience that showed the team's main strength is the unity, both inside and outside the field, as a family, "...and right there is the idea that we are all leaders who will defend their flag, based on commitment and hard work."

After qualifying for the *U-20 World Cup* in Turkey last year, the performance in that event and the results in Veracruz, more than a few are speaking of a golden generation focused now on the game quality.

## **Triple Jumper Ibagüen Leads Prensa Latina's Annual Sports Survey**

Colombian athlete Catherine Ibagüen leads Prensa Latina's annual sports survey to select the best athletes in 2014, after receiving the support today of four Latin American media outlets. In the category of Sportswoman of the Year, Ibagüen received the support of the Chilean journal *Crónica Digital*, Bolivian journal *Canal Abya Yala* and weekly journal *La Época* and Ecuadorian news agency *Andes*.

Ibagüen mastered the triple jump along 2014 and won the Diamond League competition in Monaco, with six victories in six presentations.

She also set a new record in Monaco with a 15.31 meter-jump, becoming the fifth best registered in History and the best jump in the last six years.

The Colombian triple jumper , who is at the top of the world ranking, ended the season after winning the 2nd edition of the Continental Cup in Marrakesh, Morocco, with 14,52 meter- jump. The poll's first edition was in 1964.

All media outlets worldwide can participate and send their votes to the e-mail address — [deportes@prensa-latina.cu](mailto:deportes@prensa-latina.cu).



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