

Sports News Roundup March 09



Boxing

Three Cubans remain first in their respective divisions, as ranked by Category and updated today by the official site of the *World Series of Boxing (WSB)* released in Bern, Switzerland, said local Cuban *Prensa Latina* news agency.

According to the list, Yosbany Veitía has been the best boxer of the 52 kilograms, Yasniel Toledo's most prominent at 64, and Julio Cesar La Cruz the brightest in 81.

Football

The Cuban soccer U17 drew 0-0 with Guatemala and was eliminated in *Group A* of the CONCACAF world qualifying tournament, disputed at the *Francisco Morazan Stadium* in San Pedro Sula, Honduras.

According to the website of the tournament, this was the 3rd consecutive draw of Cubans, as they came from 1-1 draw against Jamaica and Honduras; in addition, Cuban technical coach Fidel Salazar's students fell 0-5 on their debut against the United States so they closed with 3 points and may not attend the World Cup to be held in Chile in November.

Basketball

The *FIBA Americas 2015 Championship* will be played in Edmonton, Canada from August 9th to the 16th,

qualifying for the *Rio de Janeiro 2016 Olympics*, and will feature the participation of Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Cuba, Ecuador, US Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic, Venezuela and the host, Canada.

Cuba is in *Group A* along with Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic, Chile, Canada, while *Group B* includes Argentina, Venezuela, Virgin Islands, Ecuador, Brazil.

The top 2 teams from each group will have a cross-way classification where the winners of the semifinals will advance to the Grand Final.

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