Twenty-five sports appeared on the Olympic programme of these twenty-second summer Olympic Games, three of them for the first time: badminton, baseball and women’s judo, which had previously been demonstration sports. Out of the total of 257 events, 159 were open to men, 86 to women and the remaining twelve were mixed. Some 1697 medals were awarded. A total of 10,563 athletes were accredited, 7,555 men and 3,008 women. There were also three demonstration sports: Basque pelota, rink hockey and taekwondo. In athletics, two events were organized for the disabled.

ABBREVIATIONS USED:

NWR: new world record; NOR new Olympic record; AB: did not finish; NFOR: new final Olympic record; DQ: disqualified.

The list of abbreviations of NOCs appears on page 578 of the Review: However, we would point out that IOP stands for Independent Olympic Participant (see OR No 299) and EUN for Unified Team (Equipe Unifiée), the latter consisting of representatives of the Republics of the CIS plus Georgia. Where the information is available to us, we have used the abbreviation of the NOC of origin for participants in the Unified Team placed in individual events.

In the pages that follow, we are giving the results of the competitions as we obtained them from the Amics system. Most of the Information contained in the summaries is also drawn from this source. We would like to say a very special thank you to Jenny Elonen for her work in keying in all these data and to Nikolai Gueorguiev for checking them. As this exhaustive work is not exempt from errors or confusions, we would ask you please to be kind enough to point out to us any you may find.
Far removed from that duel in Seoul, the 100m in Montjuic was wide open. In 9.96 it had crowned its oldest champion by four years, thirty-two year old Briton Linford Christie, running a hundredth of a second faster than for his silver in 1988: the consecration of a career. Frankie Fredericks took silver, the first medal for the Namibian delegation, and the American Dennis Mitchell moved up from his previous Olympic fourth to the bronze. With Leroy Burrell unable to get back into the race after his false start and Mark Witherspoon out injured in the semis, their US team-mate Carl Lewis, who failed to qualify in the US trials, retained a symbolic hold on the race, his Olympic record of 9.92 unbroken. As for Raymond Stewart of Jamaica, it was his third consecutive Olympic final, the Canadian Ben Johnson, disqualified for doping in 1988, failing to do the same by finishing a distant 10.70 in the semis.

American sprinting made a comeback in the next two distances, though there was a major upset in the 200m when an under-par Michael Johnson, who has promised a world record for the past two years, failed to qualify for the final. This was won by Mike Marsh, who had set an Olympic record of 19.73 in the semis, a hundredth of a second outside the world mark held since 1979 by the Italian Pietro Mennea. Fredericks took his second silver.

Quincy Watts broke Lee Evans’ twenty-four-year-old Olympic record of 43.8 in the 400m semis, running the second-fastest time in history, 43.50, for the gold, leaving his team-mate and defending champion Steve Lewis four metres behind to battle for the silver against Samson Kitur, the second-ever Kenyan medallist under 800m. Evans, in the Olympic stadium as Qatar’s athletic coach, had compensation for the loss of his record with Ibrahim Ismail’s seventh place. Derek Redmond of Britain, whose medal hopes were dashed when his hamstring gave way in the semi-final, was determined that, this time, after injury before his heats in Seoul, he would finish the course, limping an endless 200m in tears, supported by his father, whose “Just Do It” sunhat caught the spirit of an act that turned the luckless sprinter into a hero for public and performers, one of those lasting Games images of courage and grit.

In the 800m, William Tanui of Kenya picked up the gold his compatriot Paul Ereng,
who had failed to pass the tough national trials, had won in Seoul, and Nixon Kiprotich, eighth in 1988, the silver, both overtaking the leader and early pace-setter Johnny Gray of the USA 100m from the finish. The Kenyans Joseph Chesire and Jonah Birir were unable to make the medals in the 1,500m, a surprise win for the Spaniard Fermin Cacho, who hung on to Cheshire during the sluggish pace “I didn’t want to let myself get carried away by the applause” to pounce on him when the Kenyan tried to make some space for himself in the last 200m. The Moroccan Rachid El-Basir, who hopes to follow in the steps of Said Aouita, finished with silver, and Mohamed Ahmed Sulaiman, the bronze, the first track medal ever for Qatar Jens-Peter Herold of Germany, bronze medallist in 1988, came in sixth.

Dieter Baumann of Germany had the same straightforward tactics in the 5000m: “to wait and see what the Kenyans would do”. But the silver medallist in Seoul became locked in third position on the inside with no way out until the final back straight. when he surged with a stunning sprint through a sudden gap he had willed into existence to take the gold ahead of Paul Bitok (KEN) and Fita Bayisa (ETH).

The 10,000m was won by the world champion, the Moroccan Khalid Skah in 27'46"70, after a fine sprint against Richard Chelimo of Kenya who finished a second behind, but the race was the subject of vociferous public controversy after the lapped Moroccan Hamou Botaib tried to interfere with the two front runners. An appeal gave the verdict to Chelimo, another back to Skah, whose performance was as poorly served by his team-mate as the Kenyan’s.

US hurdlers had won twenty out of twenty-four 110 hurdles titles before Barcelona but it was the Canadian, Mark McKoy, seventh in Seoul and previously in the shadow of Roger Kingdom et al, who imposed from the start ahead of Tony Dees and Jack Pierce of the USA to win the first Canadian track and field gold since 1932. As for Kevin Young, fourth in Seoul, he made his “little niche in history” when he became the first person to run the 400m under 47 seconds, beating Edwin Moses’ nine-year-old world record of 47"02 by .24 seconds. And he did it despite clipping the last hurdle, with ten metres to spare over Winthrop Graham of

* 1500m
1. Fermin Cache Ruiz (ESP) 3'40"12
2. Rachid El-Basir (MAR) 3'40"62
3. Mohamed Sulaiman (QAT) 3'40"69
4. Joseph Chesire (KEN) 3'41"12
5. Jonah Birir (KEN) 3'41"27
6. Jens-Peter Herold (GER) 3'41"53
7. Noureddine Morceli (ALG) 3'41"70
8. Jim Spivey (USA) 3'41"74

* 5000m
1. Dieter Baumann (GER) 13'12"52
2. Paul Bitok (KEN) 13'12"71
3. Fita Bayisa (ETH) 13'13"03
4. M. Brahim Boutayeb (MAR) 13'13"27
5. Yobes Ondieki (KEN) 13'17"50
6. Worku Bikila (ETH) 13'21"52
7. Rob Denmark (GBR) 13'27"76
8. Abel Anton Rodrigo (ESP) 13'27"80

* 10 000m
1. Khalid Skah (MAR) 27'46"70
2. Richard Chelimo (KEN) 27'47"72
3. Addis Abebe (ETH) 28"00"07
4. Salvatore Antibo (ITA) 28"11"39
5. Arturo Barios Flores (MEX) 28"17"79
6. German Silva Martinez (MEX) 28"20"19
7. William Koche (KEN) 28"25"18
8. Moses Kiptarbet Tanui (KEN) 28"27"11

* 110 m haies, hurdles, vallas
1. Mark Mc Koy (CAN) 13"12
2. Tony Dees (USA) 13"24
3. Jack Warren Pierce (USA) 13"26
4. Tom Jarrett (GBR) 13"26
5. Florian Schwacht Hoff (GER) 13"29
6. Emilio Alvarez Valle (CUB) 13"41
7. Colin Jackson (GBR) 13"46
8. Hughie Teape (GBR) 14"00
ATHLETICS

Daniel Plaza.

* 400 m haies, hurdles, vallas
1. Kevin Curtis Young (USA)
2. Winthrop Graham (JAM)
3. Kriss Akabusi (GBR)
4. Stéphane Diagana (FRA)
5. Niklas Wallenlind (SWE)
6. Oleg Tverdokhleb (UKR)
7. Stéphane Caristan (FRA)
8. David Patrick (USA)

NWR 46*78
47*66
47*82
48*113
48*63
48*86
49*26

* 3000 m steeplechase, obstáculos
1. Mathew Birir (KEN)
2. Patrick Sang (KEN)
3. William Muhwol (KEN)
4. Alessandro Lambruschini (ITA)
5. Steffen Brand (GER)
6. Tom Hanlon (GBR)
7. Brian Diermer (USA)
8. Azzeddine Brahmi (ALG)

8'08'44
8'09'155
8'10'74
8'15'52
8'16'60
8'18'114
8'20'71

* 20 km marche, walk, marcha
1. Daniel Plaza Montero (ESP)
2. Giovanni de Benedictis (ITA)
3. Maurizio Damilano (ITA)
4. Shaoguo Chen (CHN)
5. James McDonald (IRL)
6. Daniel Garcia Cordova (MEX)
7. Sandor Urbanik (HUN)
8. Andrey Perlov (RUS)

1 h 21'45
1 h 22'25
1 h 23'11
1 h 24'06
1 h 25'16
1 h 25'35
1 h 26'08

NWR 3h 50'13

* 50 km marche, walk, marcha
1. Andrey Perlov (RUS)
2. Carlos M. Carbajal (MEX)
3. Ronald Weigel (GER)
4. Valery Spitsyn (RUS)
5. Roman Mrazek (TCH)
6. Hartwig Gauder (GER)
7. Valentin Konovalen (FIN)
8. M. A. Rodriguez Lopez (MEX)

3 h 52'09
3 h 53'45
3 h 55'21
3 h 56'47
3 h 57'21
3 h 58'26

* 4 x 100 m
1. USA
2. NCR
3. CUB
4. GBR
5. EUN
6. JPN
7. AUT
8. CIV

Mike Marsh
Leroy Russell Burrell
Dennis A. Mitchell
Carl Lewis
Oluyemi Kayode
Chudi Imoh
Andres Simon Gomez
Joel Lamela Loaces
Joel Isasi Gonzalez
Jorge Luis Aguilara Ruiz

NWR 48'00
38'08
38'17
38'77
39'30
39'31

NWR 37'40
37'98

The steeplechase.
Jamaica and Kriss Akabusi of Briton, who was sixth in Seoul.

Julius Kariuki was prevented by illness from defending his Olympic 3000m steeple-chase title, but the Kenyan runners have such an inexhaustible wealth of talent they had no problems in an event in which they have won four golds and three silvers in four Games since 1968. In Barcelona, the only question was which of the three finalists would win what, the 1990 world junior champion Mathew Birir taking the gold ahead of Patrick Sang and William Mutwol, almost five seconds ahead of the nearest contender, the Italian Alessandro Lambruschini, who had to make do with the same fourth place, perhaps the cruellest, that he had in Seoul.

Daniel Plaza, a native of Catalonia, won the first-ever Spanish medal in athletics in the 20m walk. There could have been two, had his team-mate Valenti Massana not been too eager, disqualified after 19kms after three warnings for running not walking. The Canadian Guillaume Leblanc was second and two Italians third and fourth, Giovanni De Benedictis and Maurizio Damilano, who moved down from his bronze medal position in Seoul. The Russian Andrei Perlov won the 50km walk in 3h 50'13, Carlos Mercenario Carbajal of Mexico finishing two minutes later for the silver, in front of the 1988 runner-up, Ronald Weigel of Germany.

Both relays went to the USA teams, in world record times. In the 4 x 100 m, Mike Marsh, Leroy Burrell, Dennis Mitchell and Carl Lewis took a tenth of a second off the USA's mark in 1991 World Championships. The last world record set in Mexico in 1968, also by a USA team, fell by a full half second to Andrew Valmon, Quincy Watts, Michael Johnson and Steve Lewis in the 4 x 400 m.

Javier Sotomayor of Cuba was well off his world record form, 2.44m, in Barcelona, clearing the same 2.34m as the next four athletes, but adding the Olympic title to his CV for being the first to clear it at the first attempt, no-one managing 2.37m. Patrik Sjöberg, joint third in Seoul, took silver with one miss, and the next three shared the bronze because of failures at earlier heights.

The wind puffed away a world record in the triple jump, when it was measured at 0.1m per second over the 2.0 limit but the American Mike Conley made up for a gold

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**4 x 100 m**

1. USA
   - Andrew Valmon
   - Quincy Watts
   - Michael D. Johnson
   - Steve Lewis
   - NWR 2'55.74

2. CUB
   - Lazaro Martinez Despaigne
   - Hector Herrera Ortiz
   - Norberto Tellez Santana
   - Roberto Hernandez Prendes

3. GBR
   - Roger Black
   - David Allan Grindley
   - Kriss Akabusi
   - John Paul Lyndon Regis
   - 2'59.73

4. BRA
   - 3'01.61

5. NGR
   - 3'01.71

6. ITA
   - 3'02.18

7. TRI
   - 3'03.31

8. KEN
   - AB

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*Passing the baton.*
ATHLETICS

* Poids, shot put, peso
1. Michael D. Stulce (USA) 21.70
2. James Doehring (USA) 20.96
3. Viatcheslav Lykho (RUS) 20.94
4. Werner Gunthor (SUI) 20.91
5. Ulf Timmermann (GER) 20.49
6. Klaus Bodenmüller (AUT) 20.48
7. Dragan Peric (YUG) 20.32
8. Aleksander Klimenko (UKR) 20.23

* Marteau, hammer, martillo
1. Andrey Abduvaliyev (TJK) 82.54
2. Iglor Astapkovich (BLR) 81.96
3. Iglor Nikulin (RUS) 81.38
4. Tibor Gecsek (HUN) 77.78
5. Yuri Tamm (EST) 77.52
6. Heinrich Weis (GER) 76.90
7. Lance Earl Deal (USA) 76.84
8. Sean Carlin (AUS) 76.16

* Disque, discus, disco
1. Romas Ubartas (LTU) 65.12
2. Jurgen Schult (GER) 64.94
3. Roberto Moya (CUB) 64.12
4. Costel Grasu (ROM) 62.86
5. Attila Horvath (HUN) 62.82
6. Juan Martinez (CUB) 62.64
7. Dmitri Kostzun (UKR) 62.04
8. Dmitri Shevchenko (RUS) 61.78

* Javelot, javelin, jabalina
1. Jan Zelezny (TCH) 86.60
2. Seppo Henrik Räty (FIN) 83.33
3. Stew Backley (GBR) 82.62
4. Kimmo Paavali Kinnunen (FIN) 80.34
5. Sigurdur Finansson (ISL) 79.20
6. Juha Lauri Laukkanen (FIN) 78.64
7. Michael W. Barret (USA) 77.74
8. Andrey Shevchuk (RUS) 76.74

* Hauteur, high jump, salto de altura
1. Javier Sotomayor Sanabria (CUB) 2.34
2. Patrik Sjöberg (SWE) 2.34
3. Artur Partika (POL) 2.34
4. Timothy Forsythe (AUS) 2.34
5. Hollis Cooksey (USA) 2.34
6. Ralf Sonn (GER) 2.31
7. Tony Kemp (BAH) 2.31
8. Marino Rafael Drake Rodriguez (CUB) 2.28

* Longueur, long jump, salto de longitud
1. Carl Lewis (USA) 8.87
2. Mike Powell (USA) 8.63
3. Joe Greene (USA) 8.34
4. Ivan Pedroso Soler (CUB) 8.11
5. Jaime Jefferson Guillartes (CUB) 8.08
6. Konstantinos Koukodimos (GRE) 8.04
7. Dmitri Bagranov (RUS) 7.98
8. Geng Huan (CHN) 7.87

* Trèfle saut, jump, salto
1. Mike Conley (USA) NOR 18.17
2. Charles Simpkins (USA) 17.60
3. Frank Rutherford (BAH) 17.16
4. Leonid Voloshin (RUS) 17.32
5. Brian P. Wellman (BER) 17.24
6. Yovelis Quesada Fernandez (CUB) 17.18
7. Aleksandr Kovalenko (RUS) 17.06
8. Sixin Zou (CHN) AB 17.00

* Perche, pole vault, pértiga
1. Maxim Tarasov (RUS) 5.80
2. Igor Trandeskov (RUS) 5.80
3. Javier Garcia Chico (ESP) 5.75
4. Kory M. Tarpenny (USA) 5.75
5. David Volz (USA) 5.65
6. Asko Antero Peltunen (FIN) 5.60
7. Philippe Collet (FRA) 5.55
8. Evgeny Krasnov (ISR) 5.40

* Marathon, maratón (42,195 km)
1. Young-Cho Hwang (KOR) 2 h 13'23
2. Koichi Morishita (JPN) 2 h 13'45
3. Stephan Timo Freieng (GER) 2 h 14'00
4. Takeyuki Nakayama (JPN) 2 h 14'02
5. Salvatore Bettioli (ITA) 2 h 14'15
6. Salah Kokaich (MAR) 2 h 14'25
7. Jan Hurak (POL) 2 h 14'32
8. Hiromi Taniguchi (JPN) 2 h 14'42

* Décathlon, decathlon, decatlón
1. Robert Zmelik (TCH) 8611
2. Antonio Peñalver (ESP) 8412
3. Dave Johnson (USA) 8309
4. Dezso Szabo (HUN) 8199
5. Robert Stanley Muzzio (USA) 8195
6. Paul Meier (GER) 8192
7. William Motti (FRA) 8164
8. Ramil Ganiev (UZB) 8160

Javier Sotomayor (right).
Romas Ubartas.
lost in Los Angeles to Al Joyner’s last jump, with a new Olympic record of 18.17m. In the long jump, Carl Lewis’s duel with Mike Powell, the man who beat that other Mexico record, Bob Beamon’s, in Tokyo last year, never really got far off the ground but was still very close, Lewis and Conley unsure until they saw the scoreboard who had won the gold: Lewis, by three centimetres, for his third successive Olympic long jump title and eighth gold medal.

Serguei Bubka was the man who fell to earth in the pole vault, failing to clear the bar once. He set his sixteenth outdoor world record at 6.12m in Padua (ITA) just after the Games but in Barcelona, he could not get it right on the night, and was unusually ilustated, in conditions that were certainly windy: “To me it looked like the watch was running faster than usual” said a champion suddenly made man. His failure left the competition wide open but it was his team-mates rather than the Americans, who had won every pole vault event prior to 1972, who made the most of it: Maxim Tarassov clearing the same height as Igor Trandenkov, 5.80, at his first attempt for the gold.

Another major upset occurred when the Swiss Werner Gunthor finished outside the medals in the shot put, in which he was unbeaten since 1989. Michael Stulce took the title, after twice reaching 21.70m, the first time that an American has won the event since 1968. The Soviet hammer school in Kiev had three times produced all the medalists at the Games. The Unified Team followed suit, Andrey Abdulvaliev of Tajikistan taking gold, followed by Igor Astapovich of Belarus and the Russian Igor Nikulin, all paying tribute to their maestro, Anatoli Bondarchuk, gold medallist in 1972 and 1976. Romas Ubaras, silver medallist in Seoul, won the single gold for a Lithuanian in Barcelona in the discus, with 65.12m, the opponent who beat him in Seoul, Jurgen Schult of Germany, coming second and Roberto Moya of Cuba third. Jan Zelezny set an Olympic rec-
ful husbandry with his points and events to spare a painful ankle.

The Korean Young-Cho Hwang of Korea won the marathon, watched by his compatriot Kee-Chung Sohn, who 56 years ago to the day had won in Berlin. Hwang shook off Koichi Morishita of Japan on the 4.6km hill leading to the Stadium to win the last Gold of the Games, as his compatriot Kab-Soon Yeo had worn the first, in archery.
None of the first five women in the 100m knew who had won, even by watching the replay. They all finished within 0.6 seconds of each other and had to wait, like the spectators, to see who got the medals and which in one of the closest races in Olympic history. Gail Devers had the gold, a hundredth of a second ahead of Jamaica’s Juliet Cuthbert, seventh in Seoul, who was the same breath away from the Russian Irina Privalova. Gwen Torrence of the USA, fifth in 1988, came fourth, followed by the Jamaican Merlene Ottey.

Sixth in Seoul, and silver medallist in the world championships in the 100m and 200m behind Katrin Krabbe, Torrence finally had her claim to glory justified in the 200m, as did Ottey, absent at the last two Games, who took bronze, Cuthbert winning her second silver. Three years ago, on the same Olympic track, Marie-Jose Pérec of France was ahead of Ana Quirot in the 400m but disqualified for running out of lane. In Barcelona, she repeated Colette Besson’s triumph in Mexico City, becoming the sole world champion from Tokyo to win the gold, although she had a tougher race in Barcelona, overtaking the defending Olympic champion, the Ukrainian Olga Bryzgina right at the end. Ximena Restrepo of Colombia won the bronze.

The 800m was a heart-stopper of a race. Ellen Van Langen of The Netherlands was in fifth position with 200m to go, catching up three runners and then passing the world champion, Lilia Nurudinova of Russia, on the inside in the last 50m. Ana Quirot of Cuba took the bronze. World Champion Hassiba Boumberka of Algeria saved her great finishing kick in the 1,500m to defeat the Russian Lyudmila Rogacheva, Yunxia Qu of China in bronze position, in what she wanted to be seen as a victory for Algerian youth.

“Normally I finish second or third”, said the Russian Elena Romanova, fourth in Seoul, after the 3000m. Finally, this time I was first.” She beat Tatiana Dorovskikh, née Samolenko, the defending champion in a slow time of 8’46”06, who was not disappointed: “To be Olympic champion, you have to arrive at the Games with much better results than mine. But the silver medal will always be a silver medal and today it’s mine!” The Canadian Angela Chalmers came third.

The 10,000m was a triumph for African women. After disposing of the world champion, Briton Liz McColgan, the South African Elana Meyer seemed desperate for someone...
### Athletics

#### 800 m
1. Ellen Van Langen (NED) 1'55''54
2. Lilia Nurudinova (RUS) 1'55''99
3. Ana Fidelia Quirot Moret (CUB) 1'56''80
4. Inna Yevseyeva (UKR) 1'57''20
5. Maria de Lurdes Mutola (MOZ) 1'57''49
6. Ella Kovacs (ROM) 1'57''95
7. Joetta Clark (USA) 1'58''06
8. Lyubov Gurina (RUS) 1'58''13

#### 1500 m
1. Hassiba Boulmerka (ALG) 3'55''30
2. Lyudmila Rogacheva (RUS) 3'56''91
3. Yunxia Qu (CHN) 3'57''08
4. Tatiana Dorosvskikh (UKR) 3'57''92
5. Li Liu (CHN) 4'00''20
6. Maite Zuñiga Dominguez (ESP) 4'00''59
7. Malgorzata Rydz (POL) 4'01''91
8. Yekaterina Podkopayeva (RUS) 4'02''03

#### 3000 m
1. Elena Romanova (RUS) 8'46''04
2. Tatiana Dorosvskikh (UKR) 8'46''85
3. Angela Frances Chalmers (CAN) 8'47''22
4. Sonia O'Sullivan (IRL) 8'47''61
5. Patti Sue Plumer (USA) 8'48''29
6. Elena Kopytova (RUS) 8'49''55
7. Shelly Steely (USA) 8'52''67
8. Yvonne Murray (GBR) 8'53''85

#### 10,000 m
1. Derartu Tulu (ETH) 31'06''02
2. Elana Meyer (RSA) 31'11''75
3. Lynn A. Jennings (USA) 31'19''89
4. Huandi Zhong (CHN) 31'21''08
5. Liz McCollgan (GBR) 31'26''11
6. Xiuting Wang (CHN) 31'28''06
7. Uta Pippig (GER) 31'36''45
8. Judi Anne St. Hilaire (USA) 31'38''04

#### 10 km marche, walk, march
1. Yueling Chen (CHN) 44'32
2. Elena Nikolaeva (RUS) 44'33
3. Chunxiu Li (CHN) 44'41
4. Sari Miriam Essayah (FIN) 45'08
5. Yingzi Cui (CHN) 45'15
6. Madeleine Svensson (SWE) 45'17
7. Anna Rita Sidoti (ITA) 45'23
8. Elena Saki (RUS) 45'23

#### 100 m haies, hurdles, vallas
1. Paraskevi Patoulidou (GRE) 11'64
2. La Yonna Martin (USA) 12'69
3. Yordanka L. Donkova (BUL) 12'70
4. Lynda Tolbert (USA) 12'75
5. Gail Devers Roberts (USA) 12'75
6. Aluska Y. Lopez Pedroso (CUB) 12'87
7. Natalia Kovalovanova (UKR) 13'01
8. Odalys Adams (CUB) 13'57
The Nigerians can’t believe their eyes.
ATHLETICS

* Poids, shot put, peso
1. Svetlana Kriveleva (RUS) 21.06
2. Zhihong Huang (CHN) 20.47
3. Kathrin Neimeke (GER) 19.78
4. Betsy Lara Muñoz (CUB) 19.70
5. Tianhua Zhou (CHN) 19.26
6. Sveta Ivanova Mitkova (BUL) 19.23
7. Stephanie Storp (GER) 19.10
8. Vita Pavlych (UKR) 18.69

* Disque, discus, disco
1. Maritza Marten Garcia (CUB) 70.06
2. Tsvetanka M. Khristova (BUL) 67.78
3. Daniela Costian (AUS) 66.24
4. Larisa Korotkevich (BLR) 65.52
5. Olga Burova (RUS) 64.02
6. Hilda Elisa Ramos Manez (CUB) 63.80
7. Irina Yatchenko (BLR) 63.74
8. Stefania S. Simova (BUL) 63.42

* Javelot, javelin, jabalina
1. Silke Renk (GER) 68.34
2. Natalia Shikalenko (BLR) 68.26
3. Karen Forkel (GER) 66.86
4. Tessa Sanderson (GBR) 63.58
5. Elsa Hattestad (NOR) 63.54
6. Heli Orvokki Rantanen (FIN) 62.34
7. Petra Meier (GER) 59.02
8. Dulce Garcia Gil (CUB) 58.26

* Heptathlon, heptatlón
1. Jackie Joyner-Kersee (USA) 7044
2. Irina Belova (RUS) 6845
3. Sabine Braun (GER) 6449
4. Liliana Nastase (ROM) 6419
5. Svetla Stefanova Dimitrova (BUL) 6464
6. Peggy Beer (GER) 6434
7. Birgit Clarus (GER) 6388
8. Urszula Wlodarczyk (POL) 6333

* Marathon, maratón (42.195 km)
1. Valentina Yegorova (RUS) 2 h 12'41
2. Yuko Aimori (JPN) 2 h 12'49
3. Lorraine Mary Moller (NZL) 2 h 33'59
4. Sachiko Yamashita (JPN) 2 h 36'26
5. Katrin Doerre (GER) 2 h 36'48
6. Gyoung-Ae Mun (PRK) 2 h 37'93
7. Manuela Machado (POR) 2 h 38'22
8. Ramilia Burangulova (RUS) 2 h 38'46

In the discus, Cuba’s Maritza Marten Garcia finished ahead of Tsvetanka Khristova of Bulgaria, with a throw that would only have brought her the latter’s bronze in Seoul, 70.06m, the Olympic record of 72.3 set by Martine Hellmann (GDR) untouched. The Australian Daniela Costian was third. Fifth in 1988, Silke Renk succeeded another German Petra Felke Meier, who came seventh, as Olympic javelin champion. Natalia Shikalenko of Belarus seemed to have the competition sewn up with 68.2m, but Renk, disbelieving, saw her final throw go eight centimetres further for the gold. Karen Forkel, who trains with Renk in Halle, took bronze.

Gail Devers, expected to win the 100m hurdles rather than the 100m, was in the lead when she made a tiny slip at the last hurdle and fell, picking herself up for fifth place. The gold went to Paraskevi Patoulidou of Greece, who won her country’s first track medal, the silver going to LaVonna Martin of the USA and the bronze to the 1988 champion, Yordanka Donkova of Bulgaria.

Sally Gunnell, fifth in Seoul, and runner-up at the world championships, won the first track event for a British woman for twenty-eight years in the 400m hurdles, beating the favoured Sandra Farmer-Patrick and Janeene Vickers, both Americans. The world champion, Tatyana Ledovskaya of Belarus came fourth.

“She is going to be the best athlete in history, out of men and women”, said Bruce
Jenner, 1976 decathlon champion. He could not be talking about anyone but Jackie Joyner-Kersee, who defended her heptathlon title in style with 7,044 points, leading from day one, when she had easy first places in the 110m hurdles and the long jump, in which she specializes, one of the rare athletes to be able to do so in either the decathlon or the heptathlon. She is one of a select few women who have won medals at three Games, with a silver in Los Angeles behind Glynis Nunn (AUS). Only one other woman has ever won more than 7,000 points, the Russian Larisa Nikitina in 1989. Joyner-Kersee has five marks above this barrier.

The women’s marathon was the closest ever at the Games, the Russian Valentina Yegorova eight seconds ahead of Yuko Ari-mori of Japan in 2h 32'41, with Lorraine Mary Moller of New Zealand taking the bronze.

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ROWING

BANYOLES LAKE

The Germans largely dominated the rowing competitions in Banyoles, with a medallist in twelve of the fourteen events and four first places. This was, of course, not quite the GDR’s massive haul of eight titles in Seoul in 1988, leaving room notably for the surprising Canadians, who were nowhere on the podium then, to win four golds, three in the women’s events.

Races - here the coxless fours - in the rural setting of Banyoles.

The Olympic pairs gold medallists in Seoul had different fates. Steven Redgrave of Great Britain, the current world champion in the coxless pairs with new partner Matthew Pinsent, won his third successive title, the Germans four seconds behind for the silver, Iztok Cop and Denis Zvegelj taking the first medal for rowers from Slovenia. The Abbagnale brothers from Italy, winners of the coxed pairs since Los Angeles and seven times world champions, saw their third Olympic gold disappear into the water in 1.15 seconds when the Searle brothers (GBR) put in their dramatic finishing sprint.

Thomas Lange of Germany hung on to his 1988 Olympic single sculls title, ahead of Vaclav Chalupa from Czechoslovakia and Kajetan Broniewski from Poland, both countries which took no rowing honours in Seoul. The quadruple sculls also went to the German crew, which finished almost two seconds ahead of the Norwegians and the Italians.

Hommes Men - Hombres

* Un rameur, single scull, skiff
1. Thomas Lange (GER) (above) 6'51"40
2. Vaclav Chalupa (TCH) 6'52"93
3. Kajetan Broniewski (POL) 6'56"82
4. Eric Francis M. Verdonk (NZL) 6'57"45
5. Juri Jaanson (EST) 7'12"92
6. S. A Fernandez Gonzalez (ARG) 7'15"53

* Deux rameurs en couple, double sculls, doble scull
1. AUS
Stephen Mark Hawkins
Peter Antonie 6'17"32
2. AUT
Arnold Jonke
Christoph Zerbst 6'18"42
3. NED
Henk-Jan Zwolle
Nico Rienks 6'22"82
4. EST
5. POL
6. ESP

* Deux rameurs en pointe avec barreur
Pair-oars with coxswain, Dos con timonel
1. GBR
Jonathan Searle
Greg Mark Searle
Garry Gerard Paul Herbert 6'49"83
2. ITA
Carmine Abbagnale
Giuseppe Abbagnale
Giuseppe Di Capua 6'50"98
3. ROM
Dimitrie Popescu
Nicolai Taga
Dumitru Raducanu 6'51"58
4. GER
5. CUB
6. FRA
7'03"01
Australian rowers, empty-handed in Seoul, won the double sculls ahead of the Austrians and the Dutch, and the coxless fours. Dimitrie Popescu of Romania, who won silver with the Romanian coxed fours in Seoul behind the GDR crew, swapped his medal colour against the Germans this time round. In the big event, the men’s coxed eight, won by the FRG in 1988, the Canadians forced the Romanians into silver position by 0.14 seconds, the Germans settling for bronze.

* Dew rameurs en pointe sans barreur
Coxswainless pair-oars, Dos sin timonel
1. GBR
Steven Redgrave
Matthew Clive Pinsent 6'27" 72
2. GER
Peter J. Hoeltzenbein
Colin von Ettingshausen 6'32" 68
3. SLO
Iztok Cop
Denis Zvegelj 6'33" 43
4. FRA
6'36" 34
5. BEL
6'18" 20
6. USA
6'39" 23
*Quatre rameurs en couple
Quadruple sculls,
Cuatro scull
1. GER
Andre Willms
Andreas Hajek
Stephan Volkert
Michael Steinback 5'45"17
2. NOR
Lars Bjontegard
Rolf Thonsen
Kjetil Undset
Per Albert Saeersdal 5'47"09
3. ITA
Gianluca Farina
Rossano Gaitarossa
Alessandro Corona
Filippo Soffici 5'47"13
4. SUI
SUI 5'47"19
5. NED
SUI 5'48"92
6. FRA
SUI 5'54"80

* Quatre rameurs en pointe avec barreur
Coxswained four-oars,
Cuatro con timonel
1. ROM
Viorel Talapan
Lubica Ruican
Dimiterie Popescu
Nicolaie Taga
Dumitru Raducanu 5'59"37
2. GER
Uwe Jorg Kellner
Ralf Brudel
Thoralf Peters
Karsten Finger
Hendrik Reiher 6'00"34
3. POL
Janek Streich
Wojciech Jankowski
Tomasz Tomaszek
Maciej Lasiecki
Michal Cieslak 6'03"27
4. USA
6'06"03
5. FRA
6'06"82
6. NZL
6'12"13

*Quatre rameurs en pointe sans barreur
Coxswainless four-oars,
Cuatro sin timonel
1. AUS
Andrew Cooper
Michael Scott McKay
Nicholas Green
James Tomkins 5'55"04
2. USA
William Douglas Burden
Jeffrey Dean McLaughlin
Thomas Robert Bohrer
Patrick Francis Jr. Manning 5'56"68
3. SLO
Janez Klemencic
Saso Mirjavec
Milan Jansa
Sadik Mujkic 5'58"24
4. GER
5'58"39
5. NED
5'59"14
6. NZL
6'02"13

The German quadruple sculls.

The Romanian coxed four.
Romania's Elisabeta Lipa took an early lead for gold in the single sculls, ahead of Annelies Bredael of Belgium and the Canadian Suzette Laumann. She also competed in the double sculls, with Veronica Cochelea, winning silver, as in Seoul, behind German rowers Kerstin Köppen and Kathrin Boron. Xiaoli Gu and Huali Lu won a bronze, the only medal for the Chinese women, who had scooped a silver and two bronzes in 1988.

The Canadians took the coxless pairs and also the coxless fours, introduced in these Games in place of the coxed, whilst the Germans won the quadruple sculls, the Romanians moving one up from their bronze in Seoul, leaving it to the Unified Team, its sole rowing medal, only one shade down on the USSR rowers' sole silver in the same event in 1988.

Worth noting, the first finals to determine the 13th to 24th placings.

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The winning Canadian eight. Elisabeta Lipa.
* Dew rameuses en couple, double sculls, doble scull
1. GER
Kerstin Koeppen
Kathrin Boron 6’49”00
2. ROM
Veronica Cothelea
Elisabeta Lipa 6’51”47
3. CHN
Xiaoli Gu
Huali Lu 6’55”16
4. NZL
5. GBR
6. EUN

* Dew sans barreuse
Coxless pairs
Dos sin timonel
1. CAN
Marnie Elizabeth McBean
Kathleen Heddle 7’06”22
2. GER
Stefani Werremeier
Ingeburg Schwerzmann 7’07”96
3. USA
Anna B. Seaton
Stephanie Maxwell Pierson 7’08”11
4. FRA
5. GBR
6. BUL

* Quatre rameuses en pointe non barré
Four-oars without coxswain
Cuatro sin timonel
1. CAN
Kirsten Barnes
Brenda Susan Taylor
Jessica Monroe
Kay France Worthington 6’30”85
2. USA
Shelagh Donohoe
Cindy Eckert
Amy L. Fuller
Carol Feehery 6’31”86
3. GER
Antje Frank
Gabriele Mehl
Birte Siech
Annette Hohn 6’32”51
4. CHN
5. ROM
6. AUS

* Quatre rameuses en couple, quadruple sculls, cuatro scull
1. GER
Kerstin Mueller
Sybille Schmidt
Birgit Peter
Kristina Mundt 6’20”18
1. ROM
Constanta Pipota
Doina Ignal
Veronica Cothelea
Anisoara Dobre 6’24”34
3. EUN
Ekaterina Khodotovitch
Antonina Zelikovitch
Tatiana Oustisoujanina
Elena Khlopcheva 6’23”07
4. NED
5. USA
6. TCH

The German double sculls.
Canadians and American four oars.
The German quadruple sculls.

The Canadian eight after their win.
The Korean men’s pair Joe-Bong Park and Moon-Soo Kim had a 2-0 victory in the men’s final over the Indonesians Eddy Hartono and Rudy Gunawan. Hye-Young Hwang and So-Young Chung had a tougher neck-and-neck three setter against top ranked Weizhen Guan and Qunhua Nong of China to win the gold.

### Hommes - Men - Hombres

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* After demonstrating in Munich and exhibiting in Seoul, in Barcelona it was for badminton’s first four gold medals that top seeded players were chasing that elusively volatile semi-spherical feathered cork. The shuttlecock was dominated, as expected, by the Asians in the knockout tournament in the Pavello de la Mar Bella.

The Indonesians took the individual competition, the Koreans the doubles, with the other medals shared with the Chinese, disappointed by their failure to go gold, two Malaysians, delighted with their country’s first ever medal, and, defending Scandinavian prowess in the sport, a Dane.

Alan Budi Kusuma, second in the 1991 world championships, defeated fellow Indonesian Ardy Wiranata, another team-mate, Hermawan Susanto, taking the bronze, along with Thomas Stuer-Lauridsen (DEN). The world champion Zhao Jianhua (CHN) came fifth. Susi Susanti, the top women’s seed, won her title in three sets by beating Soo Hyun Bang of Korea.
Dames - Women - Mujeres

* Simples, singles, individuales
1. Susi Susanti (INA)
2. Soo Hyun Bang (KOR)
3. Hua Hung (CHN)
3. Jiuhong Tang (CHN)
5. Anna Lao (AUS)
5. Sarwendah Kusumawardhani (INA)
5. Heung-Soon Lee (KOR)
5. Somharath Jaroensiri (THA)

* Doubles, dobles
1. KOR
   Hye Young Hwang
   So-Young Chung
2. CHN
   Wiezhen Guan
   Qunhua Nong
3. KOR
   Young-Ah Gil
   Eun-Jung Shim
3. CHN
   Yanfen Lin
   Fen Yao
5. AUS
   Rhonda Cator
   Anna Lao
5. GBR
   Julie Jane Bradbury
   Gillian Margaret Clark
5. SWE
   Catrine Bengtsson
   Maria Bengtsson
5. INA
   Aadijatmiko Finarsih
   Lili Tampi

*Doubles match between the Koreans and Chinese.*
In its first appearance as an Olympic sport after six demonstrations and one exhibition at the Games, baseball had eight teams competing for the first medals, from Cuba, the Dominican Republic, Italy, Japan, Spain, Japan, Puerto Rico, Chinese Taipei and the USA.

But there was little doubt about which was going to get that gold. The Cubans have won twenty of the thirty-one world championships in which they have taken part, including the last four, and were the Panamerican champions in La Havana last year. And Mr Conrado Martinez, the Cuban Minister of Sports, was clear about the stakes: of all the golds possible “the most precious was the one in baseball”, a sport that is a national obsession. After the Cuban team, which included players already myths in the game, Omar Linares, Orestes Kindelan, Lourdes Gurriel and Antonio Pacheco, had beaten a promising but relatively inexperienced USA team 9-6 in the preliminaries, its path to gold was well marked. In the semis, the first placed team in the preliminaries plays against the fourth, a formula for another Cuban win over the USA team, which nonetheless provided some praiseworthy offensive play. The Cubans entered the final unbeaten to finish a stylish and convincing 11-1 in the final over the Chinese Taipei team, with eighteen hits and three runs, against four and none.

The Chinese Taipei team was delighted with its result, its coach having expected fourth or fifth place, not the second silver for

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the delegation, after Chuan Kwang Yang’s in the decathlon thirty two years ago, and the first ever team sport medal. It had beaten the Japanese 5-2 in the semis, with the help of one of the most effective pitchers of the tournament, Chien-Fu Kuo Lee, who allowed three runs in a total of 29 innings.

The Japanese had a 8-3 triumph over the USA team in the bronze-medal decider, following a 7-1 win over it in the preliminaries. Even if the USA teams are somewhat used to lack of success on the international stage, winning only two world championships, in 1974 and 1975, the result was rather a disappointment for the USA players, who beat the Japanese in the final in 1988 when baseball was demonstrating. The US coach was stoic: “The fact of finishing fourth in these Olympic Games is a great honour...”, but some Americans would definitely like to see their pros in the Olympic tournament. The Japanese coach put it well: “The USA team is very strong. They had less experience, which explains our victory, but I don’t know what would happen if we had to play them again in a month’s time...”

Hommes - Men - Hombres
1. CUB

2. TPE

3. JPN

Baseball - on the Olympic programme for the first time.
To say that the American “Dream Team” were the favourites in this tournament would be an understatement. This unique line-up, made up of the best basketball players from the American professional circuit, was faithful, with little passion but with goodwill, to the legend surrounding it, displaying real superiority at all levels thanks to exceptional players like Earvin “Magic” Johnson, Larry Bird or Michael Jordan. The team reached the final with an average forty-point advantage over its opponents in the preceding matches. It won the semi-final 51 points ahead of Lithuania.

A long-awaited final: the “Dream Team” against the Croatians.

For the young Baltic republic, basketball represented its safest bet for a medal. After triumphing last year in the pre-Olympic competition by winning all eleven of its qualifying games, the team proved equal to the task. In one of those encounters which history rarely allows, it won the bronze by four points against the Unified Team, thanks to 27 points scored by Arvydas Sabonis and 29 points from Sarunas Marciulionis, two of the four players who were part of the victorious Soviet Olympic squad in Seoul. The quarter-finals saw matches between the American and Puerto-Rican teams, the Croats and the Australians, the Lithuanians and the Brazilians and the Unified Team and Germany.

After getting the better of the Australians, the Croatian players made sure of at least the silver medal by winning their semi-final match against the Unified Team, with a very close score of 75-74. With one minute to go, the Unified Team, which had won its quarter-final encounter with Germany, was leading by four points. But two missed free throws brought the Croats to life. With fourteen seconds left to play, Drazen Petrovic clinched the victory by netting two free throws for Croatia. But in the final, the Croatians met their match. The American players confirmed all the predictions but their margin of victory was the smallest yet, 32 points, the best result against them. For the first fifteen minutes of the game, the Croats did no more than resist, thanks to the points obtained by Petrovic and Rajda, doing everything possible to withstand the rapid game of the “Dream Team”, which was then only six points ahead. At the end of the first half, the Americans were leading by 56 points to 42. For that final evening of the Games, the Palau d’Esports in Badalona be-

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For the young Baltic republic, basketball represented its safest bet for a medal. After triumphing last year in the pre-Olympic competition by winning all eleven of its qualifying games, the team proved equal to the task. In one of those encounters which history rarely allows, it won the bronze by four points against the Unified Team, thanks to 27 points scored by Arvydas Sabonis and 29 points from Sarunas Marciulionis, two of the four players who were part of the victorious Soviet Olympic squad in Seoul. The quarter-finals saw matches between the American and Puerto-Rican teams, the Croats and the Australians, the Lithuanians and the Brazilians and the Unified Team and Germany.

After getting the better of the Australians, the Croatian players made sure of at least the silver medal by winning their semi-final match against the Unified Team, with a very close score of 75-74. With one minute to go, the Unified Team, which had won its quarter-final encounter with Germany, was leading by four points. But two missed free throws brought the Croats to life. With fourteen seconds left to play, Drazen Petrovic clinched the victory by netting two free throws for Croatia. But in the final, the Croatians met their match. The American players confirmed all the predictions but their margin of victory was the smallest yet, 32 points, the best result against them. For the first fifteen minutes of the game, the Croats did no more than resist, thanks to the points obtained by Petrovic and Rajda, doing everything possible to withstand the rapid game of the “Dream Team”, which was then only six points ahead. At the end of the first half, the Americans were leading by 56 points to 42. For that final evening of the Games, the Palau d’Esports in Badalona be-

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came the capital of the world. Ending the tournament with eight wins out of eight, the American team regained the gold medal it had lost in Seoul.

While the American men’s team was the talk of the Games, the rise of the women’s team was halted by the Unified Team in a hard-fought match which ended 79-73. The shock to the Americans’ morale was all the greater since the titleholders had been behind throughout the match, in particular thanks to Natalia Zassoulskaïa, who scored twenty points. To win the bronze, the Americans then had to play the Cubans, when their victory was revenge for the last Panamerican Games. The Cubans had beaten the Unified Team by two points, before finally being ousted by the Chinese, 109-70, in the semi-final. The final brought together the Unified Team and the Chinese, a match once again dominated by Zassoulskaïa, the best under the basket, scoring 19 decisive points towards a final score of 76-66.

Dames - Women - Mujeres

* Classement final - Final standing - Clasificación final
1. EUN 5. ESP
2. CHN 6. TCH
3. USA 7. BRA
4. CUB 8. ITA

Demi-finales - Semi finals - Semifinales
EUN-USA 79-73
CHN-CUB 109-70

Finales - Finals
1-2 EUN-CHN 76-66
3-4 USA-CUB 88-74
5-6 ESP-TCH 59-58
7-8 BRA-ITA 86-83

1. EUN:
Elena Jirko, Elena Baranova, Irina Gurelits, Elena Tornikidou, Elena Chvailovitch, Marina Tkatchenko, Irina Minkh, Elena Khoudachova, Irina Soumnikova, Elena Bounatsants, Natalia Zassoulskaïa, Svetlana Zaboloueva.
2. CHN:
Xuedi Cong, Xin Li, Jun Liu, Fang Wang, Dongmei Zheng, Jun He, Ping Peng, Haixia Zheng, Xulian Zheng, Dongmei Li, Quing Liu, Shuping Zhan.
3. USA:

Natalia Zassoulskaïa.
The new computerized scoring system may have not gained unanimity in Badalona’s Pavello, despite far fewer disputed verdicts, but nobody could disagree that the Cubans were the best team. They took seven golds of the twelve on offer, and two silvers.

Rogelio Marcelo, Pan American champion in Havana last year, won the first of Cuba’s golds in the 48kg class. Chol Su Choi of the People’s Democratic Republic of Korea won his country’s first boxing gold since Yong-Jo Gu in 1976 by eliminating Istvan Kovacs (HUN), who beat him for the 51 kg world title last year, and Raul Gonzalez (CUB) in the finals. Andreas Tews of Germany, who won a silver in 1988, eliminated the three top boxers at the World Championships before beating Faustino Reyes (ESP) for the gold in the 57kg.

And in the 60kg decider, world champion Marco Rudolph (GER) also fell, to the USA national champion seventeen-year-old Oscar de La Hoya. Hector Vinent (CUB) had his first ever major victory in the 63.5kg final 11-1 against Marc Leduc (CAN). World champion Juan Carlos Lemus Garcia (CUB) came with a rather heavier winning baggage, 255 out of 282 fights, to defeat Orhan Delibas (NED) in...
the 71 kg. Torsten May (GER), another reigning world champion, had a 8-3 decision over Rostislav Zaoulitchnyi (UKR) in the 81kg. Ariel Hernandez (CUB) took the gold in the 75kg.

Joel Casamayor (CUB) had a tough fight against Commonwealth Games champion Wayne McCullogh (IRL) for the 54kg, but an equally clear win. The Irish, who had not tipped Michael Carruth as winner in the 67kg in a gripping battle against the favoured world champion Juan Hernandez of Cuba were delirious. Only two of their boxers had ever won silver, John McNally in 1952 and for Freddie Tiedt in 1956. But then since Seoul the Irish team has been coached by a Cuban, Nicholas Hernandez...

Cuban heavyweight (91 kg) Felix Savon was no surprise champion against Nigeria’s David Izonritei. Already a triple world champion at 24, he has been unbeaten in competition since 1986 and is regarded as the successor of Teofilo Stevenson, who ruled the same category from 1972 to 1980. The king of the super-heavyweights (over 91 kg) was Roberto Balado Mendez of Cuba.

PAVELLO DE BADALONA
By beating the Hungarian title-holder Gyulay to win the k-1 500m event, Kohlemainen gave Finland its first gold medal in Barcelona. The young Norwegian Holmann missed the silver by seven-hundredths of a second, but he won it in the 1,000m behind the Australian champion Robinson. Both dethroned the American Barton who took the bronze and failed to strike gold again in the k-2 1000, where he finished fourth. In the two-man kayak, the Germans Kay Bluhm (seventh in Seoul) and Torsten R. Gutsche achieved a fantastic double by winning both events. In the 500m, the silver went to the two Poles, who were sixth in Seoul, with the bronze going to two young Italians. In the 1,000m, two Swedes, who managed only fifth place in the 500m, took the silver, followed by two more Poles. In the four-man kayak, the Germans triumphed again, ahead of the Hungarian title-holders who, led by Gyulay, could manage only the silver. In a repeat of Seoul, the Australians ended up with the bronze.

In canoeing, nobody could stop Nikolai Boukhalov. The Bulgarian was in his element, with a style reminiscent of the very best. The two golds in the c-1 were a reward for his work and erased the memory of his bronze in Seoul and second place in the world championships last year. Second in the 500m, the Ukrainian Slivinski retained the silver he won in Seoul, while Germany’s Heukrodt, Olympic champion in 1988, had to be content with the bronze. In the 1,000m, the Latvian Klementjevs, victorious in Seoul, took only the silver, ahead of the Hungarian Zala.

In the two-man canoe, the Germans were not as fortunate as their kayak teammates. Papke and Spelly won the gold in the 1,000m, their best distance, but lost to the Unified Team, more used to the 500m, taking the silver ahead of two Bulgarians. In the 1,000m, 25 hundredths of a second separated the Danes from the two Frenchmen, of whom Hoyer was one of the old brigade, having won the bronze back in Los Angeles.

SLALOM

For its return to the Olympic programme, the white-water slalom event, last held in Munich, could not have asked for a better setting than the Parc del Segre at La Seu d’Urgell. The slalom consisted of two runs, the better run counting, on an artificial white-water course perilous enough to justify stationing lifeguards along it at regular intervals.

The laid-back and unorthodox Pollert (TCH) won the gold in the C-1 ahead of the favourite, Britain’s world cup winner Marriott, who, in spite of two good runs, was unable to avoid the thirteenth gate and five cruel penalty points. France’s Avril took the bronze, almost by surprise ahead of five-times world champion Jon Lugbill, who, despite two good runs, could manage only 118.62.

As in the canoeing, the British kayak team was first-rate. For Richard Fox, four-times world champion, an Olympic medal would have been the supreme consecration. Alas, after losing precious seconds on several gates, he managed only fourth place, leaving the Italian Ferrazzi way ahead. Just inches away from capsizing, Ferrazzi hung on grimly, using his whole body to defy gravity and keep his boat upright and on course. In so doing, he gave Italy the first canoeing gold medal in its history. The Frenchman Curinier was luckier, winning the silver with a dream of a second run.

CASTELLDEFELS, PARC DEL SEGRE DE LA SEU D’URGELL
**Hommes - Men - Hombres**

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**Birgit Schmidt.**

*The German K2 in the 500 meters.*
The final race in the shadow of the Pyrenees, the two-man canoe won by Scott Strausbauch and Joe Jacobi, was a good push in the right direction for staging the white-water event in Atlanta, as the IOC President wishes. The American victory on this difficult course, called for maximum concentration and good teamwork. The silver finally went to two disappointed Czechoslovakians, who had great hopes of finishing first in spite of a less than perfect first run but a third place in the intermediate rankings. And the bronze went to the reigning world champions, two delighted Frenchmen who had not had such high hopes after a disastrous first run.

At Castelldefels, Germany’s Birgit Schmidt achieved a remarkable kayak comeback, winning the 500m k-1, twelve years after her victory in Moscow. After a silver in Seoul, she had given up competing for family reasons. She was followed by Rita Koban, who was fourth in Seoul. For her part, Izabella Dylewska, true to past form, was content with the bronze. In the doubles over the same distance, after a lightning-speed start, the German girls, world champions in 1991, got their just reward after thirteen years of assiduous practice. The battle with the Swedish
A pair was fierce. Agneta Andersson was also making a remarkable comeback. Double gold medallist in Los Angeles (alone and in k-2 with Anna Olsson), she had placed sixth in Seoul. In third place were the Hungarians who, with two other partners, won the k-4 500m. slowed down by the wind in land 7, the Hungarian k-4 beat the German girls by no more than an inch, leaving them the silver, with the Swedes - including Anna Olsson - further behind. Three teams which balanced old and new canoeists to produce what were certainly winning combinations. Notable absentees were the Bulgarian women who were the stars in Seoul.

In the slalom at La Seu d’Urgell, the Australian Woodward and American Chladek thought they were dreaming after taking the silver and bronze behind Germany’s world champion Michler, who won the expected gold after a violent storm.
José Manuel Moreno Periñan broke the Olympic record on the wooden boards of the Horta Velodrome in the Vall d’Hebron on the first day of track competition. But he did much more than that. He took the first-ever cycling gold for a Spaniard, right on the heels of Miguel Indurain’s win in the Tour de France. After a minute 3.342 seconds of holding its breath, the crowd went wild.

Christopher Boardman (GBR) caused an equal sensation in the individual pursuit. After setting two world best times in the heats, he became the first cyclist to catch his opponent, world champion Jens Lehmann (GER), in an Olympic final, with a lap to go. He rode a carbon-fibre bike developed by Mike Burrows to be the most aerodynamic cycling machine in the world: a high saddle, low racing bars and a cantilevered design with the wheels on one side: “The greatest revolution since the penny-farthing went out of fashion,” said the inventor, an engineer and cycling enthusiast. Boardman’s gold was the first for British cycling since Harry Ryan and Thomas Lance had won on a tandem in 1920.

Lehmann was very fair play: “The bike is not what matters. It is the performance of the man on the bike.” There was more excitement to come. A photo finish in the second heat of the men’s 1000 m centre la montre, individual time trial, contrarreloj individual

* 1000 m centre la montre, individual time trial, contrarreloj individual

1. J. M. M. Periñan (ESP) UOR 1’03”342
2. Shane John Kelly (AUS) 1’04”288
3. Erin W. Hartwell (USA) 1’04”753
4. Jens Gluecklich (GER) 1’04”798
5. Adler Capelli (ITA) 1’05”065
6. Frederic Lancien (FRA) 1’05”157
7. Jon David Andrews (NZL) 1’05”240
8. Gene Samuel (TRI) 1’05”485

* 4000 m poursuite individuelle

Individual pursuit

1. Christopher Miles Boardman (GBR)
2. Jens Lehmann (GER) RJ
3. Gary John Anderson (NZL) 4’31”061
4. Mark Lyle Kingsland (AUS) 4’32”716
5. Philippe Emrenault (FRA) 4’28”888
6. Cedric Mathy (BEL) 4’33”942
7. Adolfo Alperi Plaza (ESP) 4’34”760
8. Ivan Beltrami (ITA) 4’36”150

* 4000 m poursuite par équipes

Team pursuit

1. GER
Michael Gloeckner
Jens Lehmann
Stefan Steinweg
Guido Fulst
2. AUS
Brett Atken
Stephen John McGlede
Shaun William O’Brien
Stuart Peter O’Grady
3. DEN
Ken Frost
Jimmi Madsen
Jan Bo Petersen
Klaus Kynde Nielsen
4. ITA
4’18”291
5. GBR
4’14”150
6. EUN
4’16”685
7. NZL RJ
8. TCH RJ

J. Periñan, top left.
Christopher Boardman, left
Above, the Germans at the finish of the team 4000 metres.
* 50 km course aux points, points race, carrera de puntuación
1. Giovanni Lombardi (ITA) 44
2. Leon Van Bon (NED) 43
3. Cédric Mathy (BEL) 41
4. Glenn McLeay (NZL) 30
5. Lubor Tesar (TCH) 30
6. Eric Magnin (FRA) 24
7. Guido Fulst (GER) 24
8. Andrea Aeschbach (SUI) 23

* Route individuelle (194,4 km)
Individual road race
Carretera individual
1. Fabio Casartelli (ITA) 4 h 35'21
2. Hendrik Dekker (NED) 4 h 35'22
3. Dainis Ozols (LAT) 4 h 35'24
4. Erik Zabel (GER) 4 h 35'56
5. Lauri Aus (EST) 4 h 35'56
6. Andrzej Sypikowski (POL) 4 h 35'56
7. Sylvain Bolay (FRA) 4 h 35'56
8. Arvis Piziks (LAT) 4 h 35'56

* 100 km centre la montre par équipes, team time trial, contrarreloj por equipos
1. GER
Bernd Dittert
Christian Meyer
Uwe Peschel
Michael Rich 2 h 01'39
2. ITA
Flavio Anastasia
Luca Colombo
Gianfranco Contri
Andrea Peron 2 h 02'39
3. FRA
Hervé Boussard
Didier Pierret-Faivre
Philippe Gaumont
Jean-Louis Harel 2 h 05'25
4. EUN
5. ESP
6. POL
7. SUI
8. TCH

* 100 km centre la montre par équipes, team time trial, contrarreloj por equipos

Above, the individual road race.
Left, 100 km team time trial.

HORTA VELODROME,
SANT SADURNI
D’ANOIA A17 ROUTE
sprint final went to world champion Jens Fiedler (GER) over Garry Niewand (AUS), the bronze medallist in Seoul, who had only narrowly lost the first. The Australians, who had set a world record of 4’11”245 in the quarter finals of the 4,000m team pursuit, bettered it to 4’10”218 in the finals but only gleaned silver when the Germans first place in a astonishing time of 4’8”791. The former world record was 4’8”791, held by Soviet riders.

Erika Salumae, Olympic sprint champion in Seoul, lost the first heat against Annett Neumann (GER) but rallied with the next two to win gold for Estonia and become only the second cyclist to win back-to-back golds in individual events.

In the road race, Commonwealth champion Kathryn Watt of Australia went out on her own to win the demanding up-and-down 81 km circuit at Sant Sadurní d’Anoia. Jeannie Longo (FRA), nine times world champion and considered the finest women’s rider ever, arrived twenty seconds behind, for her best-ever result in the Games after losing her chain in Los Angeles and being troubled by injury in Seoul. The 1988 champion, Monique Knol (NED), took bronze. In the individual pursuit, Watt, the world champion in the event, took silver, behind Petra Rossner (GER), the first Olympic champion in this new event. Third was Rebecca Twigg (USA), silver medallist in the individual road race in Los Angeles.
The Australians had not seen it since Rome: a thirty-two year wait for a repeat double, team and individual gold in the three-day-event, a wait that had paid off. The team, led by Matt Ryan on his old horse Kibah Tic Toc (15 years old), individual winner, literally flew over the cross country course. They had been thought more vulnerable in the outdoor school but the result put everyone straight. Sad, by contrast, was the discomfiture of the New Zealanders due primarily to the none too robust constitution of their horses. Mark Todd, winner in ‘84 and ‘88, whose horse injured itself in the cross country, was one of the worst sufferers. Bars down, penalties galore, but a second place nonetheless for New Zealand in the team and a third in the individual event. In the punishing three-fold event comprising cross country, dressage and jumping over a period of three days, the German team only managed to hang on to bronze;
EQUESTRIAN SPORTS

* Dressage par équipes
Dressage, team competition
Doma por equipos
1. GER
Nicole Uphoff, Rembrandt
Monica Susanne Theodorescu, Grunox
Isabelle Regina Werth, Gigolo
Klaus Balkenhol, Goldstern 5224
2. NED
Anky Van Grunsven, Olympic Bonfire
Annemarie Sanders, Olympic Montreux
Tineke Bartels, Olympic Courage
Ellen Bonjte, Olympic Larius 4742
3. USA
Charlotte Bredahl, Monsieur
Michael Poulin, Graf George
Robert J. Dover, Lectron
Carol Lavell, Gifted 4643
4. SWE
4537
5. DEN
4533
6. SUI
4524
7. GBR
4522
8. ITA
4491

* Dressage individuel
Dressage, individual competition
Doma individual
1. Nicole Uphoff (GER), Rembrandt 1626
2. Isabelle Regina Werth (GER), Gigolo 1551
3. Klaus Balkenhol (GER), Goldstern 1515
4. Anky Van Grunsven (NED), Olympic Bonfire 1447
5. Kyra M. Kirkland (FIN), Edinburg 1428
6. Carol Lavell (USA), Gifted 1408
7. Pia Laus (ITA), Adrett 1389
8. Elisabeth Max-Theurer (AUT), Liechtenstein 1380

Baumann and Ehrenbrink doubtless felt a twinge of nostalgia for their lap of honour in Seoul. The British, and Ian Stark in particular, who had taken silver in Seoul, came sixth despite an excellent performance in the dressage.

The supreme riding performance of these Games was incontestably that of the German dressage team, a cut above the rest, with a grand slam in the individual - unprecedented
never a favourite with the horses. The Dutch took a hard-earned first place with twelve penalty points, to the great delight of Tops, who succeeded where he had failed in Seoul.

The Real Polo Club in Barcelona, where the events were taking place, saw its Olympic history end on a rather more stormy note. The individual jumping event was preceded by something of a rumpus the day before caused by spectators disappointed at the absence of competitors from the final qualifying events. And on the day of the final, the last day of the Games as is customary, a superb morning downpour, Catalan-style, made the course heavy going. Ludger Beerbaum on Classic Touch nevertheless took the gold medal with two clear rounds in just over 73 seconds. A new triumph for this horseman after his team win in the same event in Seoul. The Americans, also no strangers to the rostrum in this event, took the bronze this time with Dello Joio on 729 Irish and 4.75 penalty points. All the greater, then, was the merit of Dutchman Raymakers on Ratina Z, who took the silver with just 0.25 penalty points.

* Concours complet par équipes
Three-day event team classification
Concurso completo por equipos
1. AUS
David Michael Green, Duncan II
Gillian Rolton, Peppermint Grove
Andrew Hoy, Kiwi
Matthew Morgan Ryan, Kibah Tic Toc 288.60
2. NZL
Andrew Clifton Nicholson, Spinning Rhombus
Victoria Jean Latta, Chief
Robert Blyth Tait, Messiah
Mark James Todd, Welton Greylag 290.80
3. GER
Matthias Nadreas Baumann, Alabaster
Cord Hermann V. Mysegaes, Ricardo
Ralf Ehrenbrink, Kildare
Herbert Blocker, Feine Dame 300.30
4. BEL
333.05
5. ESP
388.80
6. GBR
406.60
7. JPN
434.80
8. IRL
445.80

* Concours complet individuel
Three-day event individual standing
Concurso completo individual
1. Matthew Morgan Ryan (AUS), Kibah Tic Toc 70.00
2. Herbert Blocker (GER), Feine Dame 81.30
3. Robert Blyth Tait (NZL), Messiah 87.60
4. Victoria Jean Latta (NZL), Chief 87.80
5. Andrew Hoy (AUS), Kiwi 89.40
6. Karen Dixon (GBR), Get Smart 92.40
7. Luis A. Cervera (ESP), Mr Chrisalis 102.20
8. Karin Donckers (BEL), Britt 104.40
Since Christian d’Oriola in 1956, no Frenchman had managed to fence his way to an Olympic medal in the foil. The gold of Philippe Omnes was a timely reminder of the true worth of this lefthander aged 32, selected by the skin of his teeth, who undoubtedly remains the best foil fencer of his generation. This victory is the crowning point of a career which includes a world championship title and several titles as French champion and wipes from the slate his defeat, total in Seoul and relative - with the team bronze - in Los Angeles. Finally, by beating Serguei Goloubitski, ten years his junior, in the final, Omnes checked the progress of the rising generation. Nevertheless, the Ukrainian looks set for a brilliant future. Bronze finally went to the Cuban Gregory. The French harvest continued with the gold and the bronze of épéeists Strecki and Henry and the bronze won with the sabre by Jean-François Lamour.

In the team foil event, it was the Germans who won the day. Often placed but rarely victorious - the last time was in 1976 - they had several brilliant blades in Barcelona, among them Ulrich Schreck, who, although he only just made the selection, nudged the team from its second place in Seoul up into first. This victory over the Cubans was a fine revenge after the finals of the world championships last year. The bronze marked the return of the Poles, fifth in Seoul and third in Moscow.

With more ease than the foil fencers, the German épéeists, albeit less aggressive, nevertheless beat the Hungarian team 8 to 4 thanks to the excellent defence of Arnd Schmitt, individual Olympic champion in Seoul, against Ivan Kovacs. The Unified Team, currently world champions in the speciality, beat the French épéeists, seemingly blocked by their individual victory, to take home the bronze.

In team sabre, the Hungarians suffered the disappointment of their lives, keen as they were to add a second gold medal to the one they won in Seoul. It was a good match, according to the sad admission of Szabo, who had taken gold in the individual event. With the fine score of 9 to 5, the Unified Team, silver-medallists in Seoul, took a splendid
revenge. The French did at once better and less well than in 1984 and 1988: Jean-François Lamour, double Olympic champion, won only the bronze for his last individual bout, but the team took third place, better than in Seoul although not so good as in Los Angeles, where they came second. A consistent performer, Italy’s Marco Marin matched once more the silver medal he had won in Los Angeles.

Hommes - Men - Hombres

Fleuret individuel
Foil individual
Florete individual

1. Philippe Omnes (FRA)
2. Serguei Goloubitski (UKR)
3. Elvis Gregory Gil (CUB)
4. Udo Wagner (GER)
5. Andrea Borella (ITA)
6. Marian Sypniewski (POL)
7. Guillermo Betancourt Scull (CUB)
8. Joachim Wendt (AUT)

Bence Szabo and Giovanni Scalzo in the sabre.
The German foil team savouring victory.

Bence Szabo and Giovanni Scalzo in the sabre.
The German foil team savouring victory.

* Fleuret par équipes
Team foil, Florete por equipos

1. GER
   Udo Wagner
   Ulrich Rainer Schreck
   Thorsten Weidner
   Alexander Koch
   Ingo Weissenborn
2. CUB
   Elvis Gregory Gil
   Guillermo Betancourt Scull
   Oscar Garcia Perez
   Tulio Diaz Babier
   Hermenegildo Garcia Marturell
3. POL
   Marian Sypniewski
   Piotr Kielpiński
   Adam Krzesinski
   Cezary Siess
   Ryszard Sobczak
4. HUN
5. EUN
6. ITA
7. FRA
8. KOR
FENCING

* Épée individuel, Epee individual
Espada individual
1. Eric Srecki (FRA)
2. Pavel Kolobkov (RUS)
3. Jean-Michel Henry (FRA)
4. Kaido Kaaberma (EST)
5. Elmar Borrmann (GER)
6. Angelo Mazzoni (ITA)
7. Mauricio Rivas Nieto (COL)
8. Ivan Kovacs (HUN)

* Sabre individuel
Sabre individual
1. Bence Szabo (HUN)
2. Marco Marin (ITA)
3. Jean-François Lamour (FRA)
4. Giovanni Scalzo (ITA)
5. Antonio Garcia Henandez (ESP)
6. Ferdinando Meglio (ITA)
7. Robert T. Koscielnikiowski (POL)
8. Jürgen Nothe (GER)

* Épée par équipes
Team épée
Espada por equipos
1. GER
Elmar Borrmann
Robert Felissiak
And Rüdiger Schmitt
Uwe Gerhard Pro sker
Vladimir Reznitchenko
2. HUN
Ivan Kovacs
Kriztian Kufcsar
Ferenc Hegedus
Enno Kolczonay
Gabor Totola
3. EUN
Pavel Kolobkov
Andrei Chouvalov
Serguei Kravtchouk
Serguei Kostarev
Valeri Zakharovitch
4. FRA
Jean-François Lamour
Jean-Philippe Daurelle
Franck Ducheix
Herve Granger-Veyron
Pierre Guichot
5. ROM
6. ESP
7. CAN
8. SWE

* Sabre par équipes
Team sabre
Sabre por equipos
1. EUN
Grigorij Kirienko
Alexandre Chirchov
Guorgui Pogossov
Vadim Gouttsait
Stanislav Pozdniakov
2. HUN
Bence Szabo
Csaba Koves
Gyorgy Neihald
Peter Abay
Imre Bujdoso
3. FRA
4. ROM
5. GER
6. POL
7. CHN
8. ITA

The leading lights of Italian fencing are its women, solid world champions, who fenced their way in style to two gold medals: in the individual event, Giovanna Trillini beat Huifeng Wang (CHN) - a fine return by China to the Olympic rostrum - and in the team event against the German foil fencers who suffered a resounding disappointment after their grand slam in Seoul. In third position after a tough encounter the Romanians, who eclipsed the Unified Team. Of its members, only Sadovskaya took an individual bronze.

The German épéistes, left.
Above, Pavel Kolobkov and Jean-Michel Henry in épée.

Following page:
Giovanna Trillini and Huifeng Wang in foil.
The women’s team rostrum.
Femmes - Women - Mujeres

* Fleuret individuel
Foil individual
Floret individual
1. Giovanna Trillini (ITA)
2. Huileng Wang (CHN)
3. Tatiana Sadovskaia (RUS)
4. Laurence Medaïne (FRA)
5. Margherita Zalaffi (ITA)
6. Reka Zsofia Szabo (ROM)
7. Sabine Christiane Bau (GER)
8. Fiona Jane McIntosh (GBR)

* Fleuret par équipes
Team foil
Floret por equipos
1. ITA
Giovanna Trillini
Margherita Zalaffi
Francesca Bortoluzzi
Diana Bianchetti
Dorina Vaccaroni
2. GER
Sabine Christiane Bau
Zita-Eva Funkenhauser
Annette Dohmeier
Anja Fichtel-Mauritz
Monika Weber-Kosztlo

3. ROM
Reka Zsofia Szabo
Claudia Laura Grigorescu
Laura Gabriela Badea
Roxana D. Dumitrescu

4. EUN

5. FRA

6. CHN

7. HUN

8. POL
It was thanks to a last-minute goal that Spain beat Poland 3-2 to become Olympic football champions, carried along by a highly-excited crowd of 95,000, Spaniards and Catalans intermingled, and a royal presence at Camp Nou, the home ground of Barça, Barcelona Football Club.

At half-time, Poland was leading one-nil thanks to a goal by Kowalczyk, the young striker from Warsaw Legia. In the 65th minute, just when the King arrived, the regalvanized Spaniards equalized with Abelardo beating the Polish goalkeeper Klak with a header from the corner taken by Barça striker Pep Guardiola. Jubilation followed seven minutes later when Quito-Kiko, the forward from Jerez, made it 2-1. It is hard to describe the scenes of ecstatic delight, both on the pitch and in the stands. But the excitement of the game was not over yet. Four minutes from time, the Poles counter-attacked, and Staniek equalized again. It was nail-biting. But then came the miracle when, in the 90th minute of a blessed game, Kiko - again! - scored the winning goal. Spain had waited seventy years for its first ever Olympic medal.

In the preceding matches, Spain had scored eleven times without conceding a single goal, thanks particularly to a young Andalusian striker, 20-year-old Francisco Navaez-Kiko, with a K. His name was on everyone’s lips. It was his first appearance in a tournament of this level, and he now looks certain to have a great career ahead of him.

Fortified by their quarter-final victory over their great rivals Italy, the Spanish team moved triumphantly into the semi-finals. Against Ghana they lost a player, which meant a yellow card for Ghana’s Kuffuor, but scored twice, again without conceding a goal. The first was scored by Abelardo, followed by a shot from Berges. These two goals guaranteed them the silver and allowed them to dream of gold. Without losing a single match, they could face Poland who had beaten Australia 6-1 in the semi-final.

In the preliminary phase, some of the teams tipped to win had been swiftly elimi-
nated. Colombia, who had beaten Brazil and Argentina in the pre-Olympic tournament, and the Danes fresh from their European Cup success, could manage only last place in groups B and D. On the other hand the Ghanaians, in great shape with five junior world champions in their team including the striker Kwame Ayew, qualified by equalizing against Mexico seven minutes before time, and went on to beat Paraguay in the quarter-final after extra time. These quarter final were played in Valencia.

On the day before the official opening of the Games, the Italians had got this Olympic tournament under way by beating the United States team 2-0 thanks to Demetrio Albertini. The match was played in front of only 18,000 spectators in this low season for football which meant that the stadiums were far from full. The fantastic attendance figure for the final was therefore all the more striking.

The revelation of the tournament was without a doubt the valiant team from Australia who, after qualifying for the Games by beating the Dutch, showed that they were not afraid of anyone. Thanks to their swift and effective style of play, they knocked out Sweden 2-1 to reach the semi-finals. Left way behind by the Poles, they took a very creditable fourth place behind Ghana.

A close match: Ghana versus Australia.

1. ESP:
José Santiago Calixares Ruiz, Albert Ferrer Llopis.
Mikel Lasa Goicoechea, Roberto Solozabal Villanueva, Juan M. Lopez Martinez, David Villabona Elsaleku, Jose Amavisca Garate, Luis Enrique Martinez Garcia.
Josep Guardiola Sala, Abelardo Fernandez Antuña, Javier Manjarin Pereda, Francisco Vera Fragoso, Antonio Jimenez Sistach, Gabriel Vidal Nova, Francisco Soler Atencio, Miguel Hernandez Sanchez, Rafael Berges Marin, Antonio Pinilla Miranda, Quico Narvaez, Alfonso Perez Muñoz.

2. POL:

3. GHA:

* Quarts de finale - Quarter finals

Cuartos de final
A1-B2 POL-QAT 2-0
B1-A2 ESP-AIE 1-0
C1-D2 SWE-AUS 1-2
D1-C2 GHA-PAR 4-2

* Demi-finales - Semi finals

Semi finales
POL-AUS 6-1
ESP-GHA 2-0

* Finale - Final (3-4 places)

AUS-GHA 0-1

* Finale - Final (1-2 places)

POL-ESP 2-3
The only rivalry in the men's team competition was for silver and bronze. In a sport decided by hundredths and thousandths, the Unified Team gymnasts, all bar one of the six past or present world champions, won the gold with five points to spare over their nearest rivals, the Chinese, whose silver was their third-ever team medal, and the Japanese, who repeated their bronze in Seoul. In the Palau Sant Jordi designed by Arata Isozaki, emblematic of Barcelona's new image as a city with a sporting future, attention inevitably focused on individual performances. Vitali Chtcherbo of Belarus won four apparatus, tying on the pommel horse with Valeri Belenky of Azerbaijan, the Ukrainian Grigori Misioutine the other two, the vault and the horizontal bar.

Unsurprisingly, then, the individual all-round competition was decided between these three EUN team-mates, now competing with a clean slate and under the flags of their individual Republics. Only the last event determined who would get what but the final order was the same as their individual standings in the team competition, Chtcherbo’s 9.9 on the rings hooping the gold, Misioutine the silver, Belenki bronze.

The individual apparatus gave the first real opening for gymnasts from other teams - after Chtcherbo had taken the parallel bars, the rings and the vault and tied for the gold with Gil-Su Pae (PRK) on the pommel horse to enter Olympic history with six golds won at the same Games. Gil, who shares the world title on the apparatus with Chtcherbo and Jing Li (CHN), earned his place in the record book as the first gymnast from the DPR of Korea to win an Olympic medal.

It was difficult to steal some of Chtcherbo’s limelight. But a triple back somersault in the floor exercise, a gravity-defying feat by Xiaoshung Li of China, rarely attempted and still less carried off in major competition, did just that. The landing was imperfect, but the score a deservedly golden 9.925. Yukio Iketani of Japan, who shared the bronze in 1988, tied again on 9.787, this time for silver, with Misioutine. Chtcherbo, who had scored the best marks on the floor in both team and all-round competition, came sixth in his favourite exercise after a 0.10 penalty for stepping outside the square.

Trent Dimas performed a routine with three impressive releases in the horizontal bars to the delirium of the American fans, finally able to see a USA gymnast take gold. Misioutine won his third silver in the individual apparatus competition, tying with the German Andreas Wecker, who had won a bronze on the horse, and a bronze, also tied with Xiaoshung Li, on the rings. Jing Li was second on the rings and the parallel bars.
Hommes - Men - Hombres

* Concours par équipes
Team classification

Concurso por equipos

Pays-sol-cheval-barres
Country-floor-horse-bar

parallèle-Barras paralelas

TOTAL

País-suelo-caballo-
salto caballo-Barra fija-Barras paralelas

1. Vitali Chitcherbo (BLR) 9.937
2. Jing Li (CHN) 9.875
3. Andreas Wecker (GER) 9.862
4. Xiaosahuang Li (CHN) 9.862
5. Valeri Belenki (AZE) 9.825
6. Szilveszter Csollany (HUN) 9.825
7. Yoshiaki Hatakeda (JPN) 9.800
8. Pipes-Nickerson (BUL) 9.750

1. Vitali Chitcherbo (BLR) 9.856
2. Grigori Misioutine (UKR) 9.781
3. Ok Ryul Yoo (KOR) 9.762
4. Xiaosahuang Li (CHN) 9.731
5. Zoltan Supola (HUN) 9.674
6. Sylvio Kroll (GER) 9.662
7. Szilveszter Csollany (HUN) 9.524
8. Yukio Iketani (JPN) 9.450

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3. Grigori Misioutine (UKR) 9.837
4. Linyao Guo (CHN) 9.812
5. Daisuke Nishikawa (JPN) 9.787
6. Valeri Belenki (AZE) 9.787
7. Yoshiaki Hatakeda (JPN) 9.787
8. Jing Li (CHN) 9.425

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GYMNASTICS

Li Lu, right.
Below, Tatiana Goutsou.

*Contours multiple individuel
Individual combined exercises
Concurso múltiple individual
1. Tatiana Goutsou (UKR) 39.737
2. Shannon Miller (USA) 39.725
3. Lavinia Corina Milosovici (ROM) 39.687
4. Cristina Bontas (ROM) 39.674
5. Svetlana Boguinskaia (BLS) 39.673
6. Gina Elena Gogean (ROM) 39.624
7. Tatiana Lyssenko (UKR) 39.537
8. Henrietta Onodi (HUN) 39.449

* Saut de cheval
Horse vault
Salto de caballo
1. Henrietta Onodi (HUN) 9.925
1. Lavinia Corina Milosovici (ROM) 9.925
3. Tatiana Lyssenko (UKR) 9.912
4. Svetlana Boguinskaia (BLS) 9.899
5. Gina Elena Gogean (ROM) 9.893
6. Shannon Miller (USA) 9.837
7. Eva Maria Rueda Bravo (ESP) 9.787
8. Kim Zmeskal (USA) 9.593

* Barres asymétriques
Uneven parallel bars
Paralelas asimétricas
1. Li Lu (CHN) 10.000
2. Tatiana Goutsou (UKR) 9.975
3. Shannon Miller (USA) 9.962
4. Lavinia Corina Milosovici (ROM) 9.912
4. Gwang-Suk Kim (PRK) 9.912
5. Mirela Ana Pasca (ROM) 9.912
7. Cristina Fraguas Sanchez (ESP) 9.900
8. Li Li (CHN) 9.887

* Poutre
Beam
Barra de equilibrio
1. Tatiana Lyssenko (UKR) 9.975
2. Li Lu (CHN) 9.912
2. Shannon Miller (USA) 9.912
4. Cristina Bontas (ROM) 9.875
5. Svetlana Boguinskaia (BLS) 9.862
6. Betty Okino (USA) 9.837
7. Bo Yang (CHN) 9.300
8. Lavinia Corina Milosovici (ROM) 9.262

* Exercices au sol
Floor exercises
Ejercicios suelo
1. Lavinia Corina Milosovici (ROM) 10.000
2. Henrietta Onodi (HUN) 9.950
3. Shannon Miller (USA) 9.912
3. Cristina Bontas (ROM) 9.912
3. Tatiana Goutsou (UKR) 9.912
6. Kim Zmeskal (USA) 9.900
7. Oxana Tchoussovitina (UZB) 9.812
8. Sylvia Zarkova Mitova (BUL) 9.400

Femmes - Women - Mujeres
* Concours par équipes - Team classification - Concurso por equipos
Pays-cheval bars poutre tapis TOTAL
Country-horse beam floor total
1. EUN 98.860 98.960 98.748 99.098
2. ROM 98.935 98.986 98.184 98.722
3. USA 99.111 98.722 98.048 98.823
4. CHN 97.960 98.736 98.410 98.035
5. ESP 98.059 98.360 97.123 97.941
6. HUN 98.097 97.661 95.208 97.636
7. AUS 97.160 98.134 95.522 96.573
8. FRA 97.322 96.522 95.635 96.052

1. EUN Svetlana Boguinskaia Roza Galieva Tatiana Goutsou
2. ROM Tatiana Goutsou Elena Groudneva Tatiana Lyssenko
3. USA Svetlana Boguinskaia Oxana Tchoussovitina
   Wendy Bruce Dominique Dawes
   Roza Galieva Tatiana Goutsou
   Elizabeth Okino Kerri Strug
   Svetlana Boguinskaia Oxana Tchoussovitina
   Tatiana Lyssenko Kim Zmeskal
   Cristina Bontas Gina Elena Gogean
   Vanda Maria Hadarean Lavinia Corina Milosovici
   Cristina Fraguas Sanchez
   Mirela Ana Pasca

522
The Unified Team gymnasts also won the women's team title 0.587 points ahead of the Romanians, silver medallists as they had been behind the USSR at all the Games since 1976 bar L.A. The USA women were 0.962 behind, the bronze their best team result since 1912, apart from their 1984 silver.

Svetlana Boguinskaia of Belarus, Tatiana Lyssenko of Ukraine and Rosza Galieva of Uzbekistan were the highest EUN scorers in the team competition. The European champion Tatiana Goutsou of Ukraine managed a berth in the individual all-round as a replacement for Galieva. Shannon Miller (USA) and Lavinia Mitosovici (ROM) were looking good as the only gymnasts to qualify for all four apparatus finals. Yet before the final round, the high degree of difficulty of Goutsou's routines had put her in the lead, followed by Milosovici, Boguinskaia, 1988 bronze medallist, Shannon Miller (USA) and Cristina Bontas of Romania. The American's last apparatus was the vault, which she began and finished with a double somersault, scoring a near-flawless 9.975. Goutsou produced a sure 9.5 on the same apparatus to keep the gold by 0.012 points. Nineteen-year-old Boguinskaia gave an elegant and well-executed performance on the beam, but was not technically daring enough to keep the bronze, which was Milosovici's. The all-round world champion Kim Zmeskal, well off form and balance at the Games, finished tenth, 0.325 points away from Goutsou, whose place on the podium had once seemed reserved for her.

It seemed as if the days of tens had gone. But in the individual competition, two gymnasts reached perfection, Milosovici, with a twisting, somersaulting routine on the floor and Li Lu of China, weightless and astonishing on the asymmetric bars. Milosovici tied 9.925 with Henrietta Onodi of Hungary on the vault. Lyssenko won the beam, Lu tying Miller for silver. Miller could only repeat her all-round silver on the beam, tying with Lu, and take two bronzes on the asymmetric bars. Goutsou had a silver on the asymmetric bars, a tied bronze on the floor.

Age seemed to have more merit in the rhythmic gymnastics competition in the Palau d'Esports, when the oldest competitor, 20 year old Alexandra Timoshenko of Ukraine, who had dominated the discipline for the past few years, topped three of the four disciplines, rope, hoop and club, to win the single all-around competition. Carolina Pascual of Spain produced the best performance with the ball for the silver, leaving a disappointed Oksana Skaldina of Ukraine with the bronze. Pascual's medal was unique in Spanish gymnastics, which also produced the runner-up for the bronze, Carmen Acedo. The Spaniards displaced the Bulgarians, usually strong in the sport, but left them out of the medals after errors by Maria Petova and Diana Popova.

* Gymnastique rythmique
Rhythmic gymnastics
Gimnasia rítmica
1. Alexandra Timoshenko (UKR) 59.037
2. Carolina Pascual Garcia (ESP) 58.100
3. Oksana Skaldina (UKR) 57.912
4. Carmen Acedo Jorge (ESP) 57.225
5. Marta Dimitrova Petrova (BUL) 57.087
6. Irina Deleanu (ROM) 56.612
7. Joanna Bodak (POL) 56.475
8. Lenka Oulehlova (TCH) 56.137
Sixty five of the 261 lifters in Barcelona’s Pavello L’Espanya Industrial had already taken part in other Games. Two reigning Olympic champions, Naim Suleymanoglu (TUR), the pocket Hercules of the 60kg and Alexandre Kourlovitch of Belarus, the giant of the over 110kg, hung on to their Seoul titles. Ronny Weller, bronze medallist in Seoul in the 110kg, went gold in Barcelona by beating Artour Akoev of Russia with his final 240kg clean and jerk, preventing the Unified Team from matching the six golds won by the USSR lifters in 1988.

As individual competitors, EUN athletes could also represent their Republics. The anthem of Moldova was played after Fedor Kasapu was given the 75kg title on lower bodyweight for his total of 357.5kg, the same as Cuba’s Pablo Lara Rodriguez. The 82.5kg class was to be similarly decided after three lifters managed 370kg. Unfortunately, Pyrrros Dimas of Greece and Poland’s Krzysztof Siemion weighed an identical 81.80kg, the former winning the gold as he managed the lift first. Ibrahim Sumadov of Russia, fifty grams heavier, refused the bronze, which was withdrawn by the IWF and IOC and not re-awarded. Seoul silver medallist in the 67.5kg, Israël Militossian of Armenia, this time won gold and saw the Armenian flag hoisted, after equalling the Olympic record in the snatch, as did the sole Bulgarian gold medallist, three times world champion in the lightest category, Ivan Ivanov with a final lift of 150kg for a total of 265kg. Byung-Kwan Chun (KOR), who had moved up a category from the 52kg, in which he won silver in Seoul, went two better, taking the 56kg gold and also breaking the Olympic record with his 155 kg clean and jerk. Victor Tregoubov, a Russian, equalled it with a 190 kg snatch in the 100kg. The only man to get near a world record - four were broken in Seoul - was the Russian Kakhhi Kakhievili in the 90kg, but he could do no more than equal it with his 235 kg in the clean and jerk.

**52 kg**

1. Ivan Ivanov Ivanov (BUL) 115.0 150.0 265.0
2. Qisheng Lin (CHN) 115.0 147.5 262.5
3. Traian I. Ghioreanu (ROM) 112.5 140.0 252.5
4. Kwang-Ku Ko (KOR) 112.5 140.0 252.5
5. Nam Su Gil (PRK) 100.0 135.0 235.0
6. B.-K. Chun (KOR) 100.0 130.0 230.0
7. Humberto F. Rodriguez (VEN) 100.0 127.5 227.5
8. Josep 100.0 127.5 227.5

**56 kg**

1. B.-K. Chun (KOR) 132.5 155.0 287.5
2. Shoubin Liu (CHN) 130.0 147.5 277.5
3. Jianming Luo (CHN) 125.0 152.5 277.5
4. Laurent Fombertasse (FRA) 112.5 147.5 260.0
5. Katsuhiko Sakuma (JPN) 120.0 135.0 255.0
6. Tibor Karczag (HUN) 115.0 140.0 255.0
7. Yong Chol Kim (PRK) 110.0 145.0 255.0
8. Marek Gorzelniak (POL) 115.0 140.0 255.0

**60 kg**

1. Naim Suleymanoglu (TUR) 142.5 177.5 320.0
2. Nikolai S. Peshalov (BUL) 137.5 167.5 305.0
3. Yingqiang He (CHN) 130.0 165.0 295.0
4. Neno S. Terziski (BUL) 130.0 165.0 295.0
5. Valerios Leonidis (GRE) 132.5 162.5 295.0
6. Hyun Il Ro (PRK) 127.5 160.0 287.5
7. Attila Czanka (HUN) 127.5 157.5 285.0
8. Jae Son Li (PRK) 130.0 150.0 280.0
### 67.5 kg
1. I. Melitossian (ARM) 155.0
   2. Yoto Vassilev Yotov (BUL) 150.0
   3. Andreas Behm (GER) 145.0
   4. A. Yahiaoui (ALG) 140.0
   5. Jouni J. Grönman 135.0
   6. Eyne A. Tabares (COL) 130.0
   7. Sang Ho Im (PRK) 125.0
   8. Timothy L. Mcrae (USA) 120.0

### 75 kg
1. Fedor Kassapu (MLD) 155.0
   2. Pablo Lara Rodriquez (CUB) 150.0
   3. Myong Nam Kim (PRK) 145.0
   4. Andrzej Kozlowski (POL) 140.0
   5. Ingo Steinhofel (GER) 135.0
   6. Raul Mora Licea (CUB) 130.0
   7. W. Chlebicz (POL) 125.0
   8. Gang Lu (CHN) 120.0

### 82.5 kg
1. Pyros Dimas (GRE) 167.5
   2. Krysztof Siemion (POL) 162.5
   3. Ibragim Samadov (RUS) 157.5
   4. Chol Ho Chon (PRK) 152.5
   5. Plamen I. Bratoitchev (BUL) 147.5
   6. Marc Huster (GER) 142.5
   7. Joseph I. Heredia Ledea (CUB) 137.5
   8. Gang Lu (CHN) 132.5

### 90 kg
1. Kakhi Kakhchiavili (RUS) 177.5
   2. Serguei Syrtsoy (UZB) 172.5
   3. S. Wolczaniecki (POL) 167.5
   4. Byung-Chan Kim (KOR) 162.5
   5. I. Kristov Tchakovav (BUL) 157.5
   6. Emilio L. Rodriguez (CUB) 152.5
   7. Peter May (GBR) 147.5
   8. Harvey J. Goodman (USA) 142.5

### 100 kg
1. Victor Tregoubov (RUS) 190.0
   2. Timur Taimazov (UKR) 185.0
   3. Waldemar Malak (POL) 180.0
   4. Francis Tourmeuter (FRA) 175.0
   5. Petar I. Stefanov (BUL) 170.0
   6. Andrei Danisov (ISR) 165.0
   7. Udo Guse (GER) 160.0
   8. Yoshimitzu Nishimoto (JPN) 155.0

### 110 kg
1. Ronny Weller (GER) 192.5
   2. Artour Akoev (RUS) 187.5
   3. Stefan Botev (BUL) 182.5
   4. Nicu Vlad (ROM) 177.5
   5. Dariusz Osuch (POL) 172.5
   6. Frank Seipelt (GER) 167.5
   7. Flavio V. Cabrera (CUB) 162.5
   8. Pavlos Salitsidis (GRE) 157.5

### 120 kg
1. I. Kourlovitch (BEL) 205.0
   2. Leonid Taranenko (BEL) 199.0
   3. Manfred Nielting (GER) 194.0
   4. Ernesto Aguero Shell (CUB) 188.5
   5. Mitko Raikov Mitev (BUL) 183.0
   6. Jiri Zubricky (TCH) 173.0
   7. Mario Martinez (USA) 168.0
   8. Mario Martinez (USA) 163.0

### 130 kg
1. Naim Suleymanoglu

### 140 kg
1. Pablo Lara Rodriguez

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*Naim Suleymanoglu.*

*Pablo Lara Rodriguez.*
The Unified Team, reigning Olympic champions, won its third and last gold medal in handball by a 22:20 win over the world champion Swedish squad. Sweden went on court as favourites against a Unified Team which seemed to be running out of steam. The match between these two highly skilled teams with their particularly agile goalkeepers Lavrov (EUN) and Olsson (SWE) stayed even up to the second half. The Unified Team, with its brilliant defence, then began to edge away, although the Swedes were constantly on their heels, scoring for the last time a few seconds before the end. After the match, Unified Team coach Spartak Mironovitch thanked the players from Ukraine and Belarus for taking part. For his part, the Swedish coach predicted a very tough European Cup with a lot of opponents who would take some beating. The French were the surprise package of this tournament. There by the skin of their teeth thanks to the automatic qualification of Spain, the French squad, strongly encouraged by a group of seasoned supporters, beat first the prestigious German team in a fast and furious match, then the Romanians, to everyone’s surprise, including their own, finally conquering (22:20) third place over the Icelanders, who had stepped in to replace the absent Yugoslavia.

**Clasificación final**

1. EUN 5. ESP
2. SWE 6. KOR
3. FRA 7. HUN
4. ISL 8. ROM

**Series finales - Final round - Series finales**

1-2 places: EUN-SWE: 22-20
3-4 places: FRA-ISL: 24-20
5-6 places: ESP-KOR: 36-21
7-8 places: HUN-ROM: 23-19

**Demi-finale - Semi final - Semifinales**

SWE-FRA: 11-10
ISL-EUN: 19-23

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**Hommes - Men - Hombres**

2. SWE: Mats Olsson, Robert Hedin, Magnus Wislander, Anders Backgren, Ola Lindgren, Per Carlem, Erik Hajas, Magnus Cato, Axel Sjohed, Robert Andersson, Patrik Liljestrand, Steffan Olsson, Magnus Andersson, Tommy Suoraniemi, Tomas Svensson.
On the women’s rostrum, we find the same teams as in Seoul: Korea, Norway and the Unified Team. The first beat the second once again with the same score as in Seoul. The course of the match was immediately determined with six goals in ten minutes. The Korean girls, whose excellent corner shots confounded the opposition, had built up a comfortable 16:8 led by half time. The Norwegians found their game once more but despite Siri Eftedal’s brilliant play they were unable to reduce the lead. For the Korean team, it was an excellent back-to-back result after their win in Seoul. With a win over Germany, the Unified Team took third place.

Series finales - Final round - Series finales
1-2 places:
KOR - NOR 28-21
3-4 places:
EUN - GER: 24-20
5-6 places:
AUT - USA 26-17
7-8 places:
ESP - NGR 26-17

Demi-finales - Semi finals - Semifinales
EUN - NOR: 23-24
KOR - GER: 26-25

1. KOR
Hyang-Ja Moon, Eun-Young Nam, Ho-Youn Lee, Sun-Hee Hwang, Mi-Young Lee, Jeong-Ho Hong, O-Kyung Lim, Hye-Sook Min, Jeong-Lim Park, Sung-Ok Oh, Hyun-Sook Han, Ri-Ra Jang, Sun-Hi Han, Hwa-Sook Kim, Kap-Sook Park, Jae-Kyung Cha.

2. NOR

3. EUN

Congratulations after the final: the Koreans and Norwegians.
The Australian men reached their third-ever bid for gold by beating the Dutch World Cup holders 3-2 in the semis, holding fast against sustained attack from penalty corners in the second half. They had previously made swift, short shrift, 6-0, of the reigning Olympic champions, the British, but were to be denied their first title at the Games against the Germans, very much the favourites after winning the European Cup in 1991, and a second successive Champions Trophy earlier this year. One-nil ahead at half-time in the final, the Germans never lost the lead against the Australians, their final score 2-1. After losing 2-1 to the Germans, the Pakistani team, which had won the Olympic title three times, the last in Los Angeles, was back on form after Seoul, when it had finished fifth, beating the Dutch for the bronze.
If the Spanish men did well to reach fifth place in the men’s tournament, finally knocked out by the Pakistani team 6-1, the women seemed to go from strength to strength as the tournament progressed. A little like the unheralded Koreans had done in Seoul, where they had finished with the silver. The Koreans, still ranked amongst the best in the world, were back in Barcelona and continued to advance, until they met their match: the 1992 hosts. The battle was fiercely even at 1-1, the Spanish goalkeeper Marivi Gonzalez, saving a goal with four minutes to go. Three minutes into overtime, Carmen Barea scored on a penalty corner to give the Spanish women, in their first Olympic tournament, a berth in the final. This was no lucky break as they had already given notice of their form by knocking out the Australians, gold medalists in Seoul, 1-0. And their training for this tournament had been intensive. The national team was ranked eleventh in the world four years ago, but this year’s Olympic line-up made its first appearance back in 1989, coming third in the New Delhi Intercontinental Cup. In 1991, it was fourth in the Champions Trophy and sixth in the European Cup. In the final, it faced the runners-up in both these tournaments, the Germans, who had beaten the British a sound 2-1.

Watched by a hugely encouraging crowd of 11,500 in Terrassa, the birthplace of the sport in Spain, the final was another, fine, equal match, 2-2 at the end of an hour. Two minutes before the first half of overtime, Elisabeth Maragall, the niece of the COOB President and Mayor of Barcelona, got a shot in the net from a penalty corner. Instant euphoria that lasted a nerve-racking further fifteen minutes a quick change of their astonishing goalie a minute before the end so that her substitute could stand on the podium as part of the team that had won the first Spanish team gold at the Games. The British took the bronze 4-3 against the Koreans.

Elisabeth Maragall in action.
With new rules favouring attack: looser kimonos and better penalties for passivity, well over half the bouts in the Palau Blaugrana finished before the time-limit with “ippons” or victory points, effectively judo’s knock-outs.

The first and last men’s finals, the heaviest and lightest - the judo competition has a day for each category in descending order - went to two members of the Unified Team. Nazim Gousseinov of Azerbaijan won the 60kg over Hyun Yoon, the only one of Korea’s male judokas to fight a final, after their two golds won in Seoul in 1988. The over 95kg class was taken by the Georgian David Khakhaleichvili, who handily grabbed Naoya Ogawa’s belt to throw him down for an ippon. This was much to the dismay of the assembled Japanese supporters. They had come in force to see their three time world champion take less than the regulation time for one bout against all previous five opponents and hoped he would carry off the coveted title like Hitoshi Saito in 1988, the famous Yasuhiro Yamashita in 1984 and Ogawa’s trainer, Haruki Uemura, in 1976. The bronze medallists were the promising young Frenchmen David Douillet, who beat the world runner up Frank Moreno of Cuba with a body drop ten seconds before time, and the Hungarian Imre Csosz, third in the world championships, who outpointed Harry Van Baarneveld of Belgium.

Despite this major upset for the Japanese, their judokas did win two other golds, assuaging their disappointment with Saito’s solitary title in Seoul. Toshihiko Koga beat Bertalan Hajtos of Hungary on a decision in the 71 kg and his team-mate Hidehiko Yoshida defeated the American Jason Morris in the 78kg. This was the category won by the Pole Waldemar Legien in 1988, but in Barcelona, he had moved up a weight, like the Frenchman Pascal Tayot, whom he met in the final. The Pole, who had fought Tayot only once before, in last year’s world championships, had another victory over him to take a consecutive Olympic judo title.

In the 65kg, Rogerio Cardoso became the second Brazilian to win judo gold, after Aurelio Miguel in 1988, beating Jozsef Csak, whose fellow Hungarian Antal Kovacs won a fast and furious 95kg final against Ray Stevens, the Commonwealth champion from Britain, to win the first judo gold for a Hungarian since Gyula Bobis’s in 1958.
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<th>Weight Class</th>
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| -60 kg       | 1. Nazim Gousseinov (AZE)  
2. Hyun Yoon (KOR)  
3. Richard Trautmann (CER)  
5. Tadanori Koshino (JPN)  
7. Willis Bernardo Garcia Garcia (VEN)  
Dashgombo Battulga (MGL) |
| -65 kg       | 1. Rogerio Sampaio Cardoso (BRA)  
2. Jozsef Csak (HUN)  
3. Udo Günter Quellmalz (GER)  
3. Israel Hernandez Planas (CUB)  
5. Philip Laats (BEL)  
7. Sang-Moon Kim (KOR)  
7. Kenji Maruyama (JPN) |
| -71 kg       | 1. Toshihiko Koga (JPN)  
2. Bertalan Hajtos (HUN)  
3. Hoon Chung (KOR)  
3. Shay Oren Smadja (ISR)  
5. Bruno Carabetta (FRA)  
5. Stefan Dott (GER)  
7. Wieslaw Blach (POL)  
7. Khaliun Boldbaatar (MGL) |
| -78 kg       | 1. Hidehiko Yoshida (JPN)  
2. Jason N. Morris (USA)  
3. Bertrand Damaisin (FRA)  
3. Byung-Joo Kim (KOR)  
5. Johan Laats (BEL)  
7. Lars Adolsson (SWE)  
7. Charip Varazev (RUS)  
7. Alexandru Remus Ciupe (ROM) |
| -86 kg       | 1. Waldemar Legien (POL)  
2. Pascal Tayot (FRA)  
3. Hirotaka Okada (JPN)  
3. Nicolas Gill (CAN)  
5. Adrian Croitoru (ROM)  
5. Axel Lobenstein (GER)  
7. Daniel Koster (NLD)  
7. Wieslaw Blach (POL)  
7. Charip Varazev (RUS)  
7. Alexandru Remus Ciupe (ROM) |
| -95 kg       | 1. Antal Kovacs (HUN)  
2. Raymond Stevens (GBR)  
3. Dmitri Sergeev (RUS)  
3. Theo Meijer (NED)  
5. Indrek Pertelson (EST)  
5. Pawel Nastula (POL)  
7. Robert Van De Walle (BEL)  
7. Robert Van De Walle (BEL) |
| +95 kg       | 1. David Khakhaleichvili (CEO)  
2. Naoya Ogawa (JPN)  
3. David Douillet (FRA)  
3. Imre Cooss (HUN)  
5. Harry Van Barneveld (BEL)  
7. Ernesto Perez Lobo (ESP)  
7. Damon Keeve (USA) |
|              | 531          |
One commentator said that the women’s judo got down to business and was more aggressive more quickly than the men’s. If this were true, it would doubtless have something to do with it being the women’s first Olympic appearance. What is certain is that there was plenty of excitement on the tatami. And especially amongst the home crowd when two women won Spain’s first-ever golds in the sport. In 1988, when women’s judo was a demonstration event, there had been no Spaniards within the top three of any category. In Barcelona, Miriam Blasco made history as the first Spanish woman to win a gold, when she narrowly outpointed the current European champion Nicola Fairbrother of Britain in the 56kg final. Her compatriot Almudena Munoz followed shortly after with the 52kg victory, by beating Noriko Mizoguchi of Japan. Two women who had won first places in the demonstration event in 1988, Sharon Rendle of Britain at the same weight and Zhongyun Li of China, in the lightweight category, both finished in bronze position.

There was delight too in the French camp, when two of their women judokas won golds. In the 48kg final Cécile Nowak, world and European champion, defeated sixteen-year-old whirlwind Ryoko Tamura from Japan. Catherine Fleury in the 61 kg, another world and European champion who managed this first “grand slam” with the Olympic title against the Israeli Yael Arad, won the seventh and last medal for the French judokas: “A group victory” she called it, for the close-knit team forged under the former world champion Jean-Luc Rougé.

Mi-Jung Kim faced exactly the same opponent in the Olympic 72kg final as she had in the world championship last year, again defeating Yoko Tanabe of Japan to take her second international title after beginning the sport in 1989. In the 66kg, Odalis Reve Jimenez of Cuba won the gold against Emanuel Pierantozzi of Italy, Kate Howey of Britain and Heidi Rakels of Belgium taking bronze. The second Cuban judoka in a final was Estella Rodriguez, who finished pinned down in silver position by the world heavyweight title holder Ziaoyan Zhuang of China. France’s Natalie Lupino, third in last year’s world championships, took the bronze, along with Yoko Sakaue of Japan.

Dames - Women - Mujeres

* - 48 kg
1. Cécile Nowak (FRA)
2. Ryoko Tamura (JPN)
3. Hulya Senyurt (TUR)
4. Amarilis Savon Carmenaty (CUB)
5. Salima Souakri (ALG)
6. Karen Valerie Briggs (GBR)
7. Maria Elena Villapol Blanco (VEN)
8. Yolanda Soler Grajera (ESP)

* - 52 kg
1. Almudena Muñoz Martinez (ESP)
2. Noriko Mizoguchi (JPN)
3. Zhongyun Li (CHN)
4. Sharon Susan Rendle (GBR)
5. Alessandra Giungi (ITA)
6. Jessica Gal (NED)
7. Claudia C. Mariani Ambrueso (ARG)
8. Paula Saldanha (POR)
**WOMEN**

* - 56 kg
1. Miriam Blasco Soto (ESP)
2. Nicola Kim Fairbrother (GBR)
3. Driulis Gonzalez Morales (CUB)
3. Chiyori Tateno (JPN)
5. Nicole Flagothier (BEL)
5. Kate Marie Donahoo (USA)
7. Catherine Arnaud (FRA)
7. Maria Contowicz Szalas (POL)

* - 61 kg
1. Catherine Fleury (FRA)
2. Yael Arad (ISR)
3. Di Zhang (CHN)
3. Elena Petsova (RUS)
5. Frauke-Inke Eickoff (GER)
5. Hyun-Sook Koo (KOR)
7. Xiaoyan Y. Griffith Mahon (VEN)
7. Begoña Gomez Martin (ESP)

* - 66 kg
1. Odalis Reve Jimenez (CUB)
2. Emanuela Pierantozzi (ITA)
3. Heidi Rakels (BEL)
3. Kate Louise Howey (GBR)
5. Alexandra Schreiber (GER)
5. Claire Lecat (FRA)
7. Grace L. Jividen (USA)
7. Laura A. Marfinel Acuña (ARG)

* - 72 kg
1. Mi-Jung Kim (KOR)
2. Yoko Tanabe (JPN)
3. Irene De Kok (NED)
3. Laetitia Meignan (FRA)
5. Regina Felicitas Schuttenhelm (GER)
5. Josie Horton (GBR)
7. Katarzyna Juszczak (POL)
7. Katarina Hakansson (SWE)

* + 72 kg
1. Xiaoyan Zhuang (CHN)
2. Estela Rodriguez Villanueva (CUB)
3. Yoko Sakaue (JPN)
3. Natalia Lupino (FRA)
5. Claudia Edeltraud Weber (GER)
5. Beata Maksymow (POL)
7. Svetlana Goundarenko (RUS)
7. Eva Granicz (HUN)

Catherine Fleury.

Miriam Blasco and Nicola Fairbrother.
Three freestyle champions in Seoul successfully defended their titles. Five-time world champion Makharbek Khadartsev of Russia had an easy victory over Kenan Simsek (TUR) in the 90kg. So did his compatriot with six world titles, Arsen Fadzaev, scoring 13-1 over Valentin Dotchev Getzov (BUL) in the 68kg and expressing regrets that he had not had the chance to equal Alexander Medvev’s three wrestling golds from 1964 to 1972, owing to the USSR absence in 1984. John Smith (USA) won the 62kg against Asgari Mohammadian of Iran, who took a silver, as he had in the 57kg category in Seoul. The bronze went to a man who had beaten the champion in the preliminaries, Lazaro Reinoso of Cuba.

Three silver medallists from 1988 got the gold. Super heavyweight (130kg) Bruce Baumgartner (USA) managed to repeat his 1984 triumph in L.A. by taking Jeff Thue (CAN) down five seconds into the match and going on to a decisive 8-0 victory. Fifteen seconds before the end of another hard-fought, evenly-matched final, Jang-Soon Park (KOR), who competed in Seoul in the 68kg category, managed to claim the sole point of the whole tournament against Kenneth Monday (USA) to claim the defending Olympic champion’s 74kg crown. Leri Khabelov (GEO) also had to fight hard for his 2-1 100kg win over Heiko Balz (GER).

In the 52kg, world champion Larry Lee Jones (USA) was a shock 1-8 casualty of Hak-Son Li (PRK), who attacked straightaway to build up an unassailable lead. Il Kim (PRK) outpointed former world champion Jong-Shin Kim 4-1 (KOR) for the 48kg title. The 82kg class was desperately close, Kevin Jackson (USA) gaining a point for a leg takedown in overtime against Elmadi Jabrailov (RUS). Alejandro Puerto Diaz (CUB) who had lost once to Serguei Smal (BLS) in their two previous encounters, got the best of the third, 5-0 in the 57kg final.
* 57 kg
1. Alejandro Puerto Diaz (CUB)
2. Serguei Smal (BLR)
3. Yong Sik Kim (PRK)
4. Remzi Musaoglu (TUR)
5. Roumen Stefanov Pavlov (BUL)
6. Kendall Duane Cross (USA)
7. Jurgen Scheibe (GER)
8. Robert Terrance Dawson (CAN)

* 62 kg
1. John Smith (USA)
2. Asgari Mohammadian (IRI)
3. Lazaro Reinoso Martinez (CUB)
4. Rossen Mintchev Vassilev (BUL)
5. Gazikhan Azizov (RUS)
6. Musa Ilhan (AUS)
7. Martin Mueller (SUI)
8. Sang-Kew Shin (KOR)

* 68 kg
1. Arsen Fadzsev (RUS)
2. Valentin Dotchev Gretchov (BUL)
3. Kosei Akaishi (JPN)
4. Ali Akbarnejad (IRI)
5. Fatih Ozbas (TUR)
6. Young-Ho Ko (KOR)
7. Townsend Saunders (USA)
8. Chris Wilson (CAN)

* 74 kg
1. Jang-Soon Park (KOR)
2. Kenneth D. Monday (USA)
3. Amir Reza Khadem Azghadi (IRI)
4. Magomedisalam Gadjiwev (RUS)
5. Krzysztof Walencik (POL)
6. Gary Holmes (CAN)
7. Janos Nagy (HUN)
8. Lodoz Enkhabayar (MGL)

* 82 kg
1. Kevin A. Jackson (USA)
2. Elnadi Jabriyelov (RUS)
3. Rasul Khadem Azghadi (IRI)
4. Hans Götöttner (GER)
5. Jozef Lohyna (TCH)
6. Sebahattin Oeztuerk (TUR)
7. Nicolae Ghita (ROM)
8. Francisco J. Iglesias Sema (ESP)

* 90 kg
1. Makharbek Khadartsev (RUS)
2. Kenan Simsek (TUR)
3. Christopher L. Campbell (USA)
4. Puntstag Sukhbat (MGL)
5. Ayub Bani Nosrat (IRI)
6. Roberto Limonta Vargas (CUB)
7. Marek Garmulewicz (POL)
8. Renato Lombardo (ITA)

* 100 kg
1. Len Khabelaev (CEO)
2. Heiko Balz (GER)
3. Ali Kayali (TUR)
4. Tae-Woo Kim (KOR)
5. Andrzej Radomski (POL)
6. Subhash Verma (IND)
7. Mark D. Coleman (USA)
8. Sandor Kiss (HUN)

* 130 kg
1. Bruce R. Baumgartner (USA)
2. Jeffrey James Milton Thue (CAN)
3. David Gobedjichvili (CEO)
4. Mahmut Demir (TUR)
5. Andreas Schroder (GER)
6. Ali Reza Karbala Soleyman (IRI)
7. Chungsang Wang (CHN)
8. Sung-Ha Park (KOR)

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Alejandro Puerto Diaz and Serguei Smal (in red).
WRESTLING

(RUS) was soundly beaten 13-2 in the 62kg by Akit Pirim (TUR) and, in the biggest upset, Attila Repka (HUN) gained the single winning point in a sudden-death playoff against Islam Dougoutchiev (RUS) after neither wrestler had scored after the regulation five minutes. Hector Milian Perez (CUB) took the 100kg gold, leaving 1988 bronze medallist Dennis Koslowski (USA) with the silver.

Oleg Koutcherenko and Vicenzo Maenza (in blue).

GRECO-ROMAN

The Russian Alexandre Kareline retained his title as top of the heaviest (130kg) class by defeating the Swede who came third in 1988, Tomas Johansson. The 48kg defending champion Vincenzo Maenza (ITA) had to make do with silver against Oleg Koutcherenko (UKR). Jon Ronningen scored two points a second before time against Alfred Ter-Mkrtchian (RUS) to retain his Olympic 52kg title, to the frenzy of his Norwegian fans. After dominating the 90kg class for the last four years, Maik Bullmann (GER), had an easy 5-0 win over Hakki Basar (TUR). Peter Farkas (HUN), also a double world champion, was no less convincing when he defeated Piotr Stepien (POL) 6-0 in the 82kg. Jozef Tracz (POL), 1988 bronze medallist, could only move up to the silver against Mnatsakan Iskandarian (ARM) in the 74kg. Three world champions were defeated in the finals. Han-Bong An (KOR) edged Rifat Yildiz (GER) 6-5 in the 57kg, Serguei Martynov (RUS) was soundly beaten 13-2 in the 62kg by Akit Pirim (TUR) and, in the biggest upset, Attila Repka (HUN) gained the single winning point in a sudden-death playoff against Islam Dougoutchiev (RUS) after neither wrestler had scored after the regulation five minutes. Hector Milian Perez (CUB) took the 100kg gold, leaving 1988 bronze medallist Dennis Koslowski (USA) with the silver.
* 68 kg
1. Attila Repka (HUN)
2. Islam Dougsoutchiiev (RUS)
3. Rodney Stacy Smith (USA)
4. Cecilio E. Rodriguez Perez (CUB)
5. Chani Valouz (FRA)
6. Abdollah Chamangoli (IRI)
7. Ryszard Wolny (POL)
8. Douglas A. Yeats (CAN)

* 74 kg
1. Mnatsakan Iskandarian (ARM)
2. Jozef Tracz (POL)
3. Torbjörn Kornbakk (SWE)
4. Nestor Almanza Baro (CUB)
5. Yvon Riemer (FRA)
6. Anton Marchl (AUT)
7. Jaroslav Zeman (TCH)
8. Karlo Kasap (CAN)

* 82 kg
1. Peter Farkas (HUN)
2. Piotr Stepien (POL)
3. Dauulet Tourlykhanov (KZK)
4. Magnus Fredriksson (SWE)
5. Timo Tapani Niemi (FIN)
6. Goran Kasum (IOP)
7. Thomas Zander (GER)
8. Pavel Frinta (TCH)

* 90 kg
1. Maik Bullmann (GER)
2. Hakki Basar (TUR)
3. Gogoi Kogouachvili (GEO)
4. Mikael Ljungberg (SWE)
5. Hassan Babak (IRI)
6. Michial Fey (USA)
7. Reynaldo Peña Borroto (CUB)
8. Salvatore Campanella (ITA)

* 100 kg
1. Hector Milian Perez (CUB)
2. Dennis Marvin Koslowski (USA)
3. Serguei Demiakhkievitch (BLR)
4. Andrzei Wronska (POL)
5. Andreas Steinbach (GER)
6. Ion Ieremciuc (ROM)
7. Norbert Nottny (HUN)
8. Sung-II Song (KOR)

* 130kg
1. Alexandre Karemle (RUS)
2. Tomas Johansson (SWE)
3. Ioan Grigoras (ROM)
4. Laszlo Klauz (HUN)
5. Andrew Mark Borodow (CAN)
6. Lei Tian (CHN)
7. Juha Matti Ahokas (FIN)
8. Panagiotis Pikilidis (GRE)

Peter Farkas et Piotr Stepien (red).
The first day saw the twelve medals going to nine different delegations. A sign of things to come. As the US coach put it “The days when one nation can dominate the world of swimming are past.” By the end of the competition, eighteen teams had a medal-list, the balance of power in the pool spreading out more widely, the biggest splash made by the arrival of the Chinese women, who took four golds where they had none before.

Alexandre Popov of Russia became the fastest swimmer of the Games, breaking the American Matt Biondi’s Olympic record in the 50m. For good measure, he made it a sprint double by taking the 100m too. With a silver in the 50m and a fifth place in the 100m, Biondi as doubly defeated champion was philosophical: “Everyone has their time to come and go.” Anyway, only the American Johnny Weissmuller had managed two consecutive triumphs in sprint freestyle, in 1924 and 1928.

Stephan Caron of France finished behind him to repeat his bronze medal performance in Seoul.

Another Russian revelation was Evgueni Sadovyi. Anders Holmertz of Sweden had to settle for his consecutive silver in the 200m freestyle when Sadovyi set his second Olympic record of the day in the final, 1’46”70, a mere hundredth off Giorgi Lamberti’s world record. In the 400m, he took nearly a second and a half off the world record of the Australian Kieren Perkins, who had set the pace with Holmertz for all except the last length. Perkins responded by clawing over eleven seconds off his own world record, ahead of his team-mate Glen Housman, in the 1500m freestyle.

The USA swimmers were again denied in the 100m backstroke, when Mark Tewksbury of Canada set an Olympic record of 53”98 ahead of Jeff Rouse and David Berkoff. Fourth-placed Martin Lopez Zubero, trailed most of the way in the 200m backstroke well behind Vladimir Selkov, but gave his world champion surge in the final length to win by four hundredths of second in Olympic-record time. This was the first swimming gold for a Spaniard and the third-ever medal - the first had been won by Zubero’s brother David in the 100m butterfly in Moscow.

Nelson Diebel of the USA swam a strong final half in the 100m breaststroke to snatch the gold from the world record holder Norbert Rozsa of Hungary by eighteen hundredths of a second, ending the traditional European stranglehold of the event. Philip Rogers of Australia took a surprise bronze, whilst the 1988 Olympic champion Adrian Moorhouse of Britain came eighth. Mike Bowrowman defeated his own world record by nearly half a second to take the Olympic 200m title, after his fourth place in Seoul. Rozsa swam the third fastest ever time but again had to settle for silver, ahead of his 1988 runner-up, the Briton Nick Gillingham, who set a Commonwealth record. The Spaniard Sergio Lopez, who won a bronze in Seoul, finished fourth.

Pablo Morales of the USA was another swimmer with a silver trying for one better, but he had won his eight years ago, in the 100m butterfly in Los Angeles. He gave up the sport after failing to make the US team for Seoul and only made a comeback twelve months ago. In Barcelona, he just held on to his lead, by three hundredths of a second,
**Hommes - Men - Hombres**

* 50 m nage libre, freestyle, libre
  1. Alexandre Popov (RUS) 21"91
  2. Matthew N. Biondi (USA) 22"09
  3. Tom M. lager (USA) 22"30
  4. Peter Rowan Williams (RSA) 22"50
  5. Joerg Hoffmann (GER) 22"50
  6. Igor Majcen (SLO) 22"52
  7. Lawrence Frostad (USA) 22"54
  8. Viktor Andreevs (RUS) 22"73

* 100 m nage libre, freestyle, libre
  1. Alexandre Popov (RUS) 53"98
  2. Gustavo Borges (BRA) 54"04
  3. David C. Berkoff (USA) 54"78
  4. Martin Lopez-Zubero (ESP) 54"96
  5. Vladimir Selkov (RUS) 55"49
  6. Franck Schott (FRA) 55"72
  7. Rodolfo Falcon Cabrera (CUB) 55"76
  8. Dirk Richter (GER) 56"26

* 200 m nage libre, freestyle, libre
  1. Evgueni Sadovyi (RUS) NWR 1'46"70
  2. Anders Holmertz (SWE) 1'46"86
  3. Antti Alexander Kasvio (FIN) 1'47"63
  4. Artur Wojdat (POL) 1'48"24
  5. Vladimir Pychnenko (RUS) 1'48"32
  6. Joseph. H. Hudepohl (USA) 1'48"36
  7. Steffen Zesner (GER) 1'48"84
  8. Doug Gjertsen (USA) 1'50"57

* 400 m nage libre, freestyle, libre
  1. Evgueni Sadovyi (RUS) NWR 3'45"00
  2. Anders Holmertz (SWE) 3'46"77
  3. Artur Wojdat (POL) 3'48"10
  4. Ian Robert Brown (AUS) 3'48"79
  5. Sebastian Wiese (GER) 3'49"06
  6. Stefan Pfeiffer (GER) 3'49"75
  7. Danyon Joseph Loader (NZL) 3'49"97

* 1500 m nage libre, freestyle, libre
  1. Kieren John Perkins (AUS) 14'43"48
  2. Glen Clifford Housman (AUS) 14'55"29
  3. Joerg Hoffmann (GER) 15'02"29
  4. Stefan Pfeiffer (GER) 15'04"28
  5. Ian Wilson (GBR) 15'11"35
  6. Igor Majcen (SLO) 15'19"12
  7. Lawrence Frostad (USA) 15'19"43
  8. Viktor Andreevs (RUS) 15'31"94

* 100 m dos, backstroke, espalda
  1. Mark Tewksbury (CAN) NOR 21"91
  2. Jeff Norman Rouse (USA) 22"09
  3. David C. Berkoff (USA) 22"30
  4. Norbert Rozsa (HUN) 22"50
  5. Stephen Caron (FRA) 22"50
  6. Nick Gillingham (GBR) 22"54
  7. Rodolfo Falcon Cabrera (CUB) 22"73
  8. Dirk Richter (GER) 22"73

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  1. Martin Lopez-Zubero (ESP) 1'01"50
  2. Norbert Rozsa (HUN) 1'01"68
  3. Vladimir Selkov (RUS) 1'01"76
  4. Akira Hayashi (JPN) 1'01"86
  5. Vassili Ivanov (RUS) 1'01"87
  6. Dmitri Volkov (RUS) 1'02"07
  7. Nick Gillingham (GBR) 1'02"12
  8. Adrian David Moorhouse (GBR) 1'02"33

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  1. Pablo Morales (USA) 53"32
  2. Rafal Szukala (POL) 53"35
  3. Anthony Conrad Nesty (SUR) 53"41
  4. Pavel Knykine (UKR) 53"81
  5. Mel Stewart (USA) 54"04
  6. Marcel Gery (CAN) 54"18
  7. Martin Lopez-Zubero (ESP) 54"19
  8. Vlastislav Koulikov (RUS) 54"26

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  2. Norbert Rozsa (HUN) 2'11"23
  3. Nick Gillingham (GBR) 2'11"29
  4. Sergio Lopez Miro (ESP) 2'11"32
  5. Karoly Guttler (HUN) 2'13"32
  6. Philip John Rogers (AUS) 2'13"59
  7. Kenji Watanabe (JPN) 2'14"70
  8. Akira Hayashi (JPN) 2'15"11

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  2. Philip John Rogers (AUS) 1'01"68
  3. Akira Hayashi (JPN) 1'01"76
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Martin Lopez. Below right, Pablo Morales.

ahead of Poland’s Rafal Szukala and nine hundredths in front of the 1988 winner, Anthony Nesty of Suriname.

Mel Stewart of the USA, fifth in the 100m, was a confident winner of the 200m butterfly.

* 200 m papillon, butterfly, mariposa
1. Mel Stewart (USA) NOR 1'56"26
2. Danyon Joseph Loader (NZL) 1'57"93
3. Franck Esposito (FRA) 1'58"51
4. Rafal Szukala (POL) 1'58"89
5. Keiichi Kawanaka (JPN) 1'58"97
6. Denis Pankratov (RUS) 1'58"98
7. Robert Doru Pinter (ROM) 1'59"34
8. Martin Wade Roberts (AUS) 1'59"64

* 200 m 4 nages, indiv. medley, estilos indiv.
1. Tamas Darnyi (HUN) 2'00"76
2. Gregory S. Burgess (USA) 2'00"97
3. Attila Czene (HUN) 2'01"00
4. Jani Nikanor Sievinen (FIN) 2'01"28
5. Christian Gessner (GER) 2'01"97
6. Ronald D. Karnaugh (USA) 2'02"18
7. Matthew Stephen Dunn (AUS) 2'02"79
8. Gary Myers Anderson (CAN) 2'04"30

* 400 m 4 nages, indiv. medley, estilos indiv.
1. Tamas Darnyi (HUN) NOR 4'14"23
2. Eric J. Namesnik (USA) 4'15"57
3. Luca Sacchi (ITA) 4'16"34
4. David L. Wharton (USA) 4'17"26
5. Christian Gessner (GER) 4'17"88
6. Patrick Kuhl (GER) 4'19"66
7. Serguei Marininouk (MLD) 4'22"93
8. Takahiro Fujimoto (JPN) 4'23"86

Seoul champion, Tamas Darnyi (HUN), became the first man to retain the 400m medley title, bettering his own Olympic record by 0.52 seconds, in 4'14"23. Eric Namesnik (USA) took the silver and the Italian Luca Sacchi the bronze. Darnyi, the best specialist for a decade, also successfully defended his title in the 200m individual medley against the American Gregory Burgess and his fellow Hungarian, the promising Attila Czene.

Sadovyi was back on the podium, as the first triple gold medallist of the Games, with Dmitri Lepikov, Vladimir Pychnenko and Veniamin Taianovitch when the Unified Team set the first world record in swimming in the 4 x 200m freestyle relay, a blistering 7'11"95 that not only bettered the USA team’s 1988 mark of 7'12"51 but also ended an almost thirty-two-year Olympic monopoly of the event. The Swedes came in second, the Americans third. Biondi finally had his gold in the 4 x 100m freestyle relay, with Joseph Hudepohl, Jon Olsen and Tom Jager, the only man apart from Biondi to take successive swimming medals in three Games. The American 4 x 100m medley team equalled the world record their swimmers had set in Seoul, Jeff Rouse swimming his leg so fast he broke his own 100m backstroke mark.
American win in the 4 x 100 m freestyle.

* 4 x 200 m nage libre, freestyle, libre
1. EUN
Dmitri Lepikov
Vladimir Pychnenko
Veniamin Taianovitch
Evgueni Sadovy
NWR 7'11"95
2. SWE
Christer Wallin
Anders Holmertz
Tommy Werner
Lars Frolander
7'15"51
3. USA
Joseph B. Hudepohl
Mel Stewart
Jon C. Olsen
Doug Gjertsen
7'16"4
4. GER
5. ITA
6. GBR
7. ERA
8. AUS

* 4 x 100 m 4 nages, medley relay, estilos
1. USA
Joseph B. Hudepohl
Matthew N. Biondi
Tom M. lager
Jon C. Olsen
3'16"74
2. EUN
Pavel Khnykine
Guennadi Prigoda
Iouri Bashkalov
Alexandre Popov
3'17"56
3. GER
Christian A. Troeger
Dirk Richter
Steffen Zesner
Mark Pinger
3'17"90
4. FRA
5. SWE
6. BRA
7. GBR
8. AUS
3'19"16
3'20"50
3'20"99
3'21"75
3'22"04

* 4 x 100 m freestyle
1. USA
Jeff Norman Rouse
Nelson W. Diebel
Pablo Morales
John C. Olsen
7'19"66
2. EUN
Vladimir Selkov
Alexandre Popov
Pavel Khnykine
Vassili Ivanov
3'38"56
3. CAN
Mark Tewksbury
Johnathan Thomas Cleveland
Stephen Clarke
4. GER
3'40"19
5. FRA
3'40"51
6. HUN
3'42"03
7. AUS
3'42"65
8. JPN
3'43"25

Tamas Darnyi.
Wenyi Yang of China improved on her world record in the women’s 50m sprint, her first win in a major competition. She had taken the silver behind Kristin Otto in Seoul, which this time went to her team-mate Yong Zhuang. In the 100m freestyle heats, world record holder Jenny Thompson had set an Olympic record of 54.69 but in the final Zhuang, also runner-up to Otto in 1988, was not to be denied after her four-year wait. She exploded from the start to swim half a second faster than her personal best and a new Olympic record of 54.64 to take the gold, the first for a Chinese swimmer. Thompson finished two tenths of a second behind.

Fourteen year old Franziska Van Almsick (GER) took the bronze.

The favourite, American world record holder, Nicole Haislett came from behind to win the 200m freestyle just from Van Almsick, another German, Kerstin Kielgass in bronze place. Janet Evans, 1988 champion, lost in the final strokes of the 400m freestyle to Dagmar Hase, whose conversion from Egerszegi-dominated backstroke proved astute, when she won the only swimming gold for the unified German team. Evans, who had not surrendered a major 400m race since 1986, was sporting in defeat: “I think the Olympics is just a place where people do amazing things. I’m glad I came, just hanging in for four more years. Nobody can take that away from me.” Such thoughts of retirement were thrown into turmoil by a very comfortable defence of her 800m title over the Australian Hayley Jane Lewis.

Li Lin of China set a new world record of 2'11"65 in the 200m individual medley, consigning the eleven year 2'11"73 of the East German Uwe Geweniger to history by 0.08 seconds and pipping the personal best of a swimmer well-favoured to win, the American Summer Sanders. Hungarian swimming power asserted itself in the 400m medley, when Kristzina Egerszegi, only 17 and already Olympic 200m backstroke champion in Seoul, made the most of her speciality to win gold in an event she only took up last year, setting the second fastest time since Petra Schneider’s world and Olympic record in Moscow in 1980. Lin was second, Sanders, third. In the two backstroke finals, Egerszegi proved untouchable, as expected, setting an Olympic record in each. Her teammate Tunde Szabo joined her on the 100m podium with the silver.

The American Anita Nall was beaten into second place by Elena Roudkovskaja of Be-
larus in the 100m breaststroke. Fourteen year old Kyoko Iwasaki (JPN) caused a sensation in the 200m breaststroke by again beating Nall, the world record holder, who was well behind her mark of 2'25"35. Iwasaki, the youngest swimming champion ever, held off a late challenge by China’s Li Lin, in a new Olympic record time.

Chinese swimmer Hong Qian took the 100m butterfly gold with a new Olympic record with a final sprint to pass Christine Ahmann-Leighton of the USA. Mary Meagher’s 1981 world record, 57"93, was unchal-

ged. The Frenchwoman Catherine Plewinski’s bronze made up for her fourth place in 1988. Sanders came sixth but did finally add a gold to her medal collection in the 200m butterfly, when she fought back under pressure against Chinese swimmer Xiaohong Wang.

The USA women, disappointed with their individual results, had some compensation, especially Jenny Thompson, when they won both relays in world record times. In the 4 x 100m freestyle, Thompson swam a fine last leg to overtake the Chinese swimmer, the time 3'39"46 eliminating the formidable record set by the East German swimmers in Madrid in 1986. The Germans came in third. They were beaten by over two seconds in the 4 x 100m medley by the USA swimmers.

**Femmes - Women - Mujeres**

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### Swimming Results

#### 800 m nage libre, freestyle, libre
1. Janet B. Evans (USA) 8'25"52
2. Hayley Jane Lewis (AUS) 8'30"34
3. Jana Henske (GER) 8'30"99
4. Philippa Maree Langrell (NZL) 8'35"57
5. Irene Dalby (NOR) 8'37"12
6. Olga Splichalova (TCH) 8'37"66
7. Enka M. Hansen (USA) 8'39"25
8. Isabelle Arnould (BEL) 8'41"86

#### 100 m dos, backstroke, espalda
1. Krisztina Egerszegi (HUN) NOR 1'00"68
2. Tunde Szabo (HUN) 1'01"14
3. Lea E. Loveless (USA) 1'01"43
4. Nicole Dawn Stevenson (AUS) 1'01"78
5. Elizabeth J. Wagstaff (USA) 1'01"81
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3. Samantha Linette Riley (AUS) 2'08"25
4. Guylaine Cloutier (CAN) 2'08"37
5. Jana Doerries (GER) 2'08"49
6. Gabriella Csepe (HUN) 2'08"61
7. Manuela Dalla Valle (ITA) 2'08"73
8. Daniela Brendel (GER) 2'08"85

#### 100 m papillon, butterfly, mariposa
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2. Christine Ahmann-Leighton (USA) 1'00"84
3. Catherine Plewinski (FRA) 1'00"86
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6. Summer E. Sanders (USA) 1'00"92
7. Franziska Van Almsick (GER) 1'00"94
8. Rie Shito (JPN) 1'00"96

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1. Summer E. Sanders (USA) 2'08"67
2. Xiaohong Wang (CHN) 2'09"03
3. Susan O'Neill (AUS) 2'09"03
4. Mika Haruna (JPN) 2'09"08
5. Rie Shito (JPN) 2'10"24
6. Angie Wester Krieg (USA) 2'11"46
7. Mette Jacobsen (DEN) 2'11"57
8. Ilaria Tocchini (ITA) 2'11"78

#### 400 m 4 nages, indiv. medley, estilos individual
1. Li Lin (CHN) NWR 3'39"46
2. Summer E. Sanders (USA) 3'41"02
3. Daniela Hunger (GER) 3'41"24
4. Elena Dendeberova (RUS) 3'42"47
5. Ellis Overtun (USA) 3'42"57
6. Anel Marie Meehan (AUS) 3'43"24
7. Nancy Sweetnam (CAN) 3'43"77
8. Ewa Synowska (POL) 3'43"85

#### 4 x 100 m nage libre, freestyle, libre
1. USA
   - Dara G. Torres
   - Jennifer B. Thompson
   - Angel Martin
   - Nicole L. Haislett
   - 3'39"46
2. CHN
   - Yong Zhuang
   - Wenyi Yang
   - Bin Lu
   - Jingyi Le
   - 3'40"12
3. GER
   - Franziska Van Almsick
   - Manuela Stellmacher
   - Simone Osygu
   - Daniela Hunger
   - 3'41"60
4. HUN
   - NWR
   - 3'43"68
5. NED
   - 3'43"74
6. DEN
   - 3'47"81
7. SWE
   - 3'48"47
8. CAN
   - 3'49"37

#### 4 x 100 m nage libre, freestyle, libre
1. USA
   - Dara G. Torres
   - Jennifer B. Thompson
   - Angel Martin
   - Nicole L. Haislett
   - 3'39"46
2. CHN
   - Yong Zhuang
   - Wenyi Yang
   - Bin Lu
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Krisztina Egerszegi
In synchronized swimming, the top two places were taken by the 1991 world champion and runner-up, but in reverse order. Sylvie Frechette of Canada was beaten by the USA’s Kristen Babb-Sprague by the narrowest of margins, 0.131. Frechette had five perfect tens, two for technical merit and three for artistic impression, in her last routine, compared to Babb-Sprague’s three, but could not beat the American’s lead in the compulsory figures, after one judge had apparently keyed in 8.7 for Frechette instead of the intended 9.7 and the mark had been left to stand. Fumiko Okuno finished with the bronze, which the Japanese have won in both solo and duet since the sport was on the programme.

Karen and Sarah Josephson, identical twins from the USA, reached the top of the podium after their second place in Seoul, concentrating on building up a good lead in the compulsory section. Two other sisters, Canadians Penny and Vicky Vilagos took the silver. “It is true that being twins means the bodies are more in harmony but errors are also seen more easily”, they said. A sport in which all the rivals are clearly friends.

* Solo
1. Kristen Babb-Sprague (USA)  191.848
2. Sylvie Frechette (CAN)  191.717
3. Fumiko Okuno (JPN)  187.056
4. Olga Sedakova (RUS)  185.106
5. Anne Capron (FRA)  182.449
6. Christina Thalassimidou (GRE)  180.244
7. Kerry Shacklock (GBR)  179.839
8. Marjolijn Both (NED)  179.354

* Duo, duet, dúo
1. USA
Karen Josephson
Sarah Josephson  192.175
Penny Vilagos
Vicky Vilagos  189.394
3. JPN
Fumiko Okuno
Aki Takayama  186.868
4. EUN  184.083
5. FRA  181.795
6. GBR  179.366
7. NED  179.345
8. CHN  177.843
Liangde Tan won another silver for his third successive Games, harder perhaps in the absence of his nemesis Greg Louganis and even more so as he was leading half-way through the men's springboard diving. He was, however, outclassed by Mark Lenzi of the USA in the final, whose very difficult dives, which included two three and a half somersaults, one forward, one reverse, gave him a comfortable winning margin of 30 points. Albin Killat, triple European champion, and fourth in Seoul, did more than most to remind spellbound spectators why diving is not an art exhibition but a sport, a hard one, by bellyflopping his seventh dive, when in second position, in a haze of spray that got a zero from the British judge.

World platform champion Shuwei Sun finally gave the Chinese men a diving gold. They had come second to the Americans in both events since 1984. He finished with sheer éclat, his three and a half somersault tuck gaining maximum marks from four of the seven judges, for a final total nearly forty points ahead of Greg Louganis's in 1988. Sun's team-mate Ni Xiong, who hoped for a gold after a silver in 1988, took bronze, after the American Scott Donie.

Min Gao of China, undefeated in international diving since 1986, defended her Olympic title in the springboard diving over 58 points ahead of her nearest challenger, the Russian Irina Lachko. Brita Baldus of Germany took the bronze.

Mingxia Fu, who became a world champion at twelve before FINA upped the age limit, was the second youngest gold medallist in Olympic history aged thirteen-going-on-fourteen, setting a new acrobatic standard for diving, four of eight final platform dives rated first. She too ended in style, the DD, degree of difficulty, of her dives ensuring her a massive nearly fifty points ahead of eighteen year old Elena Mirochina of Russia and Mary Ellen Clark, 29, who was third. For the record, the youngest champion ever is Marjorie Gestring, who won the 1936 springboard diving competition - aged thirteen and three quarters.
Forty six minutes to win, that is what the Italians needed to beat the Spanish team 9-8 in an endless final, and pocket the gold medal. The Italians had dominated right from the start of the match, leading 4-2 after the second quarter. But the Spaniards, who got a throw-in each time, succeeded in making it seven-all 34 seconds before the end of normal time, thanks to the efficiency in front of goal of Pedro Garcia and Miguel Oca. Three six-minute periods of extra time followed, under tremendous physical and mental tension.

During the first period, Manuel Estiarte scored a penalty to give the Spanish team an advantage, but the Italian Massimiliano Ferratti, who had already scored four goals, made it eight apiece. The balance was maintained until the dying seconds of the third period in an especially tense atmosphere at the Picornel pool. It was then that Italy's Gandolfi scored the winning goal, leaving the silver to the Spanish team. Third place went to the Unified Team, who had beaten the Americans, the reigning world champions, 8-4. This bronze, after the one in Seoul, was a great disappointment to the Unified Team, who had won all their matches in this tournament, including the one against France which got them into the semi-finals. And in their semi-final against Italy, they had suffered an extremely narrow defeat. The opposite was true of the other semi-final, where the Spanish had thrashed the Americans.

One notable encounter in the preliminary games was the closely-fought match between Italy and Hungary which resulted in a draw. The Hungarians, who certainly have the greatest number of medals of any country in this sport, were unable to break through the Italians’ aggressive defence. The latter then reached the semi-finals by beating the Greeks. The Americans, second in their group after winning, amongst others, their match against the Australians thanks to their superior defence, went on to win against Germany, with the Spaniards beating Cuba.

Classement final - Final Standing - Clasificación final
1. ITA, 2. ESP, 3. EUN, 4. USA, 5. AUS, 6. HUN, 7. GER, 8. CUB

Finale - Final
1-2 places : ITA-ESP : 9-8
3-4 places : EUN-USA : 8-4
5-6 places : AUS-HUN : 9-8
7-8 places : GER-CUB : 10-6
The Polish team.

The Poles pulled off a double by winning two gold medals in the individual and team rankings, a real Olympic breakthrough for these world champions. Arkadius Skrzypaszek took the title with consistently excellent scores, over one thousand points in each of the five events. The Hungarian Mizser, fourth in Seoul, took silver despite less than brilliant performances in fencing and riding, but in the latter, the fault lay with the horse. The same problem undid the Russian Zenovka, in first place up to that point. He took only bronze despite excellent results in swimming, shooting and running - four kilometres under a scorching sun. The final event, the riding, is determining and the quality of the horses, assigned by drawing of lots, is never the best, as the British, who lost their chance of taking bronze as they had in Seoul, discovered to their cost. The team results were very close. The Italians were unable to defend the second place they won in Seoul and the silver went to the Unified learn by a small margin.
Many of the men’s top seeds had a hard time of it on the slow, red clay of the Teixonera courts in Vall d’Hebron, the heat the great leveller of performances. Out went the world no.1 Jim Courier, Boris Becker, 1988 bronze medallist Stefan Edberg, Pete Sampras, Emilio Sanchez … leaving two players ranked 30th and 43rd in the world, Marc Rosset of Switzerland and Jordi Arrese of Spain to dispute the gold. Unexpected it might have been, but disappointing never, especially for the partisan Spanish crowd, who lived rather than watched the five-hour battle of wills, Rosset seeking to restore the flagging morale of the unmedalled Swiss delegation, Arrese to wrest the last possible Spanish gold in his home city. After losing the first two sets 6-7, 4-6, the Catalan fought back 6-3, 6-4 in the blazing sunshine. At 6-6, when the match seemed to have moved into an inexorable rhythm, a tension which would not be released until only one player was left standing, Rosset managed a break of service, held his own – and finally lay down, face covered with his racket.

Goran Ivanisevic of Croatia, the last seed to reach the semis, had four five-hour matches before losing to Rosset in straight sets, becoming the first Croatian medallist at the Games when he took the bronze, together with the Russian Andrei Cherkasov.

The doubles were won by Boris Becker and Michael Stich, all smiles with the gold for the German men, who were out of the medals when tennis made its comeback to the Olympic programme in 1988. Wayne Ferreira and Piet Norval’s silver was the first medal for the South Africans in Barcelona, after they had given the Germans a good run in a four setter with two tie-breaks 7-6 (7-5), 4-6, 7-6 (7-5), 6-3. The bronze went to Goran Ivanisevic, his second, and partner Goran Prpic, and to Javier Frana and Christian Miniussi, the second medal for Argentinian tennis since Gabriela Sabatini’s silver in 1988.
Jennifer Capriati (USA), 16, fought back 6-3, 6-4 after losing the first set 3-6 to Steffi Graf (GER) to win her first major international tournament over the defending Olympic champion, whom she had never beaten. Arantxa Sanchez of Spain and Mary-Joe Fernandez (USA) took the bronze. They met in the doubles final, Sanchez teaming up with the player she had beaten in the individual quarter-finals, Conchita Martinez, Mary-Joe with the unrelated Gigi Fernandez, Wimbledon and French Open doubles champion with Natalia Zvereva (EUN). The Spanish women from Barcelona could not match their opponents, except in the second set when, at 2-1 down, the arrival of the King and Queen of Spain seemed to lift their play. They took five games in a row to level the match, but lost in the third set 6-2. Zvereva, partnering Leila Meskhi, won the bronze, along with the Australians Rachel McQuillan and Nicole Provis, who equalled the performance of Elizabeth Smylie and Wendy Turnbull in Seoul.
The Fernandez doubles pair.
Below, Jordi Arrese.

Femmes - Women - Mujeres

* Simples, singles, individuales
1. Jennifer Capriati (USA)
2. Steffi Graf (GER)
3. Mary Joe Fernandez (USA)
3. Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario (ESP)

* Doubles, dobles
1. USA
   Gigi Fernandez
   Mary Joe Fernandez
2. ESP
   Conchita Martinez
   Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario
3. AUS
   Rachel Jane Mcquillan
   Nicole Anne Louise Provis
3. EUN
   Leila Meskhi
   Natalia Zvereva
TABLE TENNIS

Hommes - Men - Hombres
* Simples - singles - individuales
1. Jan Ove Waldner (SWE)
2. Jean Philippe Gatien (FRA)
3. Wenge Ma (CHN)
3. Taek Soo Kim (KOR)
5. Yi Ding (AUT)
5. Jörgen Persson (SWE)
5. Tao Wang (CHN)
5. Jorg Rosskopf (GER)
* Doubles, dobles
1. Lin Lu Tao Wang (CHN)
2. Steffen Fetzner Jorg Rosskopf (GER)
3. Hee Chan Kang Chul Seung Lee (KOR)
3. Taek Soo Kim Nam Kyo Yoo (KOR)
5. Wenge Ma Shentong Yu (CHN)
5. Slobodan Grujic Ilija Lupulesku (IOP)
5. Andrei Mazouenov Dimitri Mazouenov (EUN)
5. Damien Elsi Jean Philippe Gatien (FRA)

Jan-Ove Waldner (SWE) produced his best-ever table tennis to defeat the world’s top seed Jean-Philippe Gatien (FRA) in just half an hour in the men’s final. Although the Frenchmen rallied after a poor first set 10-21, he had no reply to Waldner’s serve, which was brilliantly tricky, losing the next two sets 18-21, 23-25. Gatien had earlier eliminated the 1988 Olympic champion Nam Kyu Yoo in a tight five setter which ended 21-19. Wenge Ma (CHN) and Taek Soo Kim (KOR) took bronze.

Yaping Deng (CHN) became the young Olympic sport’s first double individual gold medallist when she defeated her compatriot Hong Qiao 26-6, 21-8, 15-21 and a thrilling 23-21 in the final. “If it’s true we know each very well, far from being an advantage it was rather the opposite”, she admitted after the match. According to Hong “Playing with my regular training partner had no influence on the match.” At all events, both women had no difficulties coming together to beat their compatriots Zihe Chen and Jun Gao in the doubles. Bun-Hui Li (PRK) won a bronze in the individual and, with Sun-Bok Yu, another in the doubles, the first table tennis medals for her country. Cha Ok Hong and Jung Hwa Hyun (KOR) took the other doubles bronze.

In the men’s doubles, Lin Lu and Tao Wang (CHN) took gold after beating 26-24, 18-21, 21-18, 13-21 and 21-14 world champions Jorg Rosskopf and Steffen Fetzner (GER). “I can’t explain the difference between a world championship and the Olympic Games, but the truth is, they’re nothing to do with each other” said a disappointed Fetzner. The Korean individual bronze medallist Taek Soo Kim partnered Nam Kyu Yoo for a bronze in the doubles, the other bronze won by compatriots Hee-Chan Kang and Chul Seung Lee.
Apart from the men’s free pistol, every event in the Shooting Range at Mollet del Valles saw final Olympic record performances...

In the rapid-fire pistol final, Ralf Schumann (GER), silver medallist in Seoul, scored a final 885 to win the gold, the only title that he was missing. The defending champion, Latvian Ainars Kuzmins, tied three points behind with Vladimir Vokhmianine of Kazakhstan, winning the silver for his extra point in the final round. Konstantine Loukatchik of Belarus took the free pistol event. The runner up, Yifu Wang of China, triumphed in the air pistol. Serguei Pyjianov (RUS) took silver, the Romanian Sorin Babii, fifth in the free pistol in won in 1988, took bronze, after setting an Olympic record of 586 in the preliminaries.

The Armenian Gratchia Petikian won the three-position small-bore rifle by just eight-tenths of a point, with 1,267.4 in a cliffhanger final. Bob Foth (USA), the leader until the last of the ten shots, took silver, Ryoei Koba of Japan, the early leader of the trio, the bronze. In the free rifle final shoot-off, Eun-Chul Lee (KOR) made up a one-point deficit to finish on 702.4, the Norwegian Harald Stenvaag taking the silver, Stevan Pletikovic (IOP), the bronze. Iouri Fedkine of Russia set another final Olympic record in the air rifle, the first for the newly-introduced smaller target. Frenchman Franck Badkou took the silver, whilst Johann Riederer of Germany repeated his 1988 bronze. Michael Jakosits set of Germany set an Olympic record of 580 in the preliminaries and another final one of 673 to win the running game target gold.

Launi Meili became the second American woman to win a shooting medal at the Games when she beat the favoured Europeans to take the women’s three-position small-bore rifle with a final round of 97.3. She had already set an Olympic record of 587 in the preliminaries and her final score missed the world record by 0.6 points. Marina Logvinenko of Russia, bronze medalist in 1988, beat the defending air pistol champion Jasna Sekaric (IOP) with a 486.4 for her shots at the three-second target. She had earlier won the sport pistol, an event in which she came eighth in Seoul, with a final score of 684. The silver went to Duihong Li of China, on 680, the bronze to Dorzhisuren Munkhbayar of Mongolia. Mirela Skoko of Croatia had a perfect score bar one point in the final but could not make up her earlier distance from the medallists.

Competing in her first international competition, air rifle shooter Kab-Soon Yeo (KOR) won her country’s first gold in women’s shooting when she beat veteran Vesela Letcheva of Bulgaria in the final, after both women had tied 396 for a new Olympic record in the preliminary round. Aranka Binder, competing as an Independent Olympic Participant, finished 0.2 points behind Letcheva for the bronze.

An all-male final six, as in Seoul, for the mixed Olympic trap. Petr Hrdlicka of Czechoslovakia shared his new final Olympic record 219 - and total with Kazumi Watanabe of Japan, but won the gold 1-0. The bronze medal was also decided by extra shots, the Italian Marco Venturini tying 218 with Joerg Damme (GER) in the final and on points, but winning the bronze 9-8 in the shoot-out.

Shan Zhang redressed the balance for the women, by becoming the first ever woman to win the open Olympic shooting. She did it in style, equaling a world record of 200 points and setting a final Olympic record of 223 in the mixed skeet. Just in time. Mixed events and skeet have been dropped for 1996 in favour of men’s and women’s trap and double trap.
Hommes - Men - Hombres
* Pistolet vitesse olympique
Rapid tire pistol
Pistola de tiro rápido
1. Ralf Schumann (GER) NFOR 883
2. Afanasij Kurmins (LAT) 882
3. Vladimir Vokhmianne (KZK) 882
4. Krzysztof Kucharczyk (POL) 880
5. John T. McNally (USA) 781
6. Miroslav Ignatouk (UKR) 779
7. Adam Kaczmarek (POL) 778
8. Bernardo Tobar Ante (COL) 776

* Pistolet libre - Free pistol - Pistola libre
1. Konstantine Loukchik (BLS) 658
2. Yifu Wang (CHN) 657
3. Ragnar Skanaker (SWE) 655
4. Darius Young (USA) 655
5. Sorin Babii (ROM) 653
6. Istvan Agh (HUN) 652
7. Haifeng Xu (CHN) 652
8. Tanya Khristov Kirtyakov (BUL) AB 618

* Carabine (3 x 40)
Rifle (3 x 40)
Carabina (3 x 40)
1. Gratchia Petikian (ARM) NFOR 1267.4
2. Robert J. Foth (USA) 1266.6
3. Ryohei Koba (JPN) 1265.9
4. Juha Petter Hirvi (FIN) 1264.8
5. Harald Stenvaag (NOR) 1264.6
6. Rajmonj Debevec (SLO) 1262.6
7. Peter Gabriellsjon (SWE) 1261.1
8. Zsolt Vargi (HUN) 1258.6

* Carabine match anglais - Small bore rifle, prone pos.
Match inglés
1. Eun-Chul Lee (KOR) NFOR 702.5
2. Harald Stenvaag (NOR) 701.4
3. Stevan Pletskosic (IOP) 701.1
4. Hubert Bichler (GER) 701.1
5. Michel Bury (FRA) 700.0
6. Juha Petter Hirvi (FIN) 699.5
7. Peter Gabriellsjon (SWE) 699.5
8. Gratchia Petikian (ARM) 699.2

* Pistolet à air comprimé - Air pistol - Pistola de aire
1. Yifu Wang (CHN) NFOR 684.8
2. Serguei Pyjianov (RUS) 684.1
3. Sorin Babii (ROM) 684.1
4. Haifeng Xu (CHN) 681.5
5. Sakari Johannes Paasonen (FIN) 680.1
6. Jerzy Pietrzak (POL) 680.1
7. Tanya Khristov Kirtyakov (BUL) 679.7
8. Roberto Di Donna (ITA) 678.5

* Carabine à air comprimé - Air rifle - Carabina de aire
1. Iouri Fedkine (RUS) NFOR 695.3
2. Franck Badou (FRA) 691.9
3. Johann Riederer (GER) 691.7
4. Jean-Pierre Amat (FRA) 691.6
5. Goran Maksimovic (IOP) 690.6
6. Thomas Farnik (AUT) 690.2
7. Robert J. Foth (USA) 689.4
8. Keun-Bae Chae (KOR) 687.8

Yifu Wang (CHN),
Dorzhsuren Munkhbayar (MGL), right.
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The major scoring changes introduced in Barcelona, with a direct elimination round to decide thirty-two qualifiers and a knock-out competition for the medals, replacing the old system of compiling totals to determine the winners, made for a nail-biting archery competition in the Vall d’Hebron.

At least for the public. Doubtless, the new format adds to the pressure of the archers, but they are experts at isolating themselves in their own mental and spacial tunnels to find the same movement whatever the situation. In the men’s final duel Sébastien Flute (FRA) managed just this, shooting fast inside the 45 seconds allowed against Jae-Hun Chung (KOR), whose sixth shot faltered for a modest seven points. The Olympic medallist in Seoul and great archery technician Jay Barrs (USA), knocked out 8-10 by Simon Terry (GBR) in a shootout for the bronze at 108 all, was sporting supportive of the new format: “The knockout stage is a great improvement. People who don’t understand archery understand “you versus me”. If you lose you’re a goner - or I’m a goner,” British archers had not won an individual medal since Lottie Dod in the Games in London in 1908.

The women’s individual competition went to a Korean, as it did in Seoul, but the winner was still surprising. Youn-Jeong Cho, who at 25 was the oldest in the squad, had been constantly overshadowed by the last two Korean Olympic champions in LA and Seoul, Chin-Ho Kim and Soo-Nyung Kim, but finally pulled off the big one, in stunning form after setting three world records in the preliminaries.

The team win for the Korean women was then, rather predictable, when the two medalists joined Eun-Kyung Lee to beat the Chinese, with the Unified Team third. The same could not be said of the Spaniards’ gold in the men’s team competition. There was not one individual medallist amongst Antonio Vazquez, Alfonso Menendez and Juan Carlos Holgado. All they could say afterwards, after thanking their Russian coach, was that the archer Antonio Rebollo being chosen to light the Olympic flame in the stadium was a portent, Perhaps their last arrow, which scored a
nine, had a slightly less spectacular effect than his, but there were plenty of spectators to join in a clamorous ovation. The Finns came second, the British repeated their 1988 bronze.

Hommes - Men - Hombres
Concours individuel - Individual
Concurso individual
1. Sébastien Flute (FRA)
2. Jae-Hun Chung (KOR)
3. Simon Duncan Terry (GBR)
4. Bertil Martinus Grov (NOR)
5. Jari Lipponen (FIN)
6. Hendri Setijawan (INA)
7. Simon Terry (GBR)
8. Vadim Chikarev (TJK)

* Par équipes - Team - Por equipos
1. ESP
Juan Carlos Holgado Romero
Antonio Vazquez Megido
Alfonso Menendez Vallin
2. FIN
Ismo Kalevi Falck
Jari Matti Lipponen
Tomu Jaakko Poikolainen
3. GBR
Richard John Priestman
Steven Leslie Hallard
Simon Duncan Terry
4. FRA
Bruno Félipe
Michael Taupin Bourgeonnier
Sébastien Flute

Dames - Women - Mujeres
Concours individuel - Individual
Concurso individual
1. Youn-Jeong Cho (KOR)
2. Soo-Nyung Kim (KOR)
3. Natalia Valeeva (MLD)
4. Xiaozhu Wang (CHN)
5. Khatouna Kvrivichvili (GEO)
6. Fang-Mei Lai (TPE)
7. Alison Williamson (GBR)
8. Denise Parker (USA)

* Par équipes - Team - Por equipos
1. KOR
Eun-Kyung Lee
Youn-Jeong Cho
Soo-Nyung Kim
2. CHN
Hong Wang
Xiaozhu Wang
Xiangjun Ma
3. EUN
Natalia Valeeva
Lioudmila Arjannikova
Khatouna Kvrivichvili
4. FRA
Christine Gabillard
Nathalie Hibon
Séverine Bonal

Korean individual and team wins.
The Olympic regattas symbolized the Spanish triumph at these Games on more than one score. Thanks to a magnificent competition area: the new port on the Barcelona seafront, which gave us an Olympic village with its feet in the water; and splendid television coverage that placed this sport for once at the heart of the Games and made it one of their key attractions. Media interest was boosted by several factors, including the frequent presence of the royal family, true experts by any standards: the King competed in the regattas in Kiel for the 1972 Games, the Queen in those of 1960, the Infanta Cristina in those held in Pusan four years ago, and here in Barcelona, the Crown Prince was racing aboard a soling. Another reason, and by no means the least, for the profusion of Spanish victories: five gold medals out of the ten events - five mixed, two men’s and two women’s.

The Spanish kept the gold in Finn taken by José Luis Doreste in Seoul. It was his coach, Jose Maria Van der Ploeg who, coming first in each regatta, was already the winner before the end of the competition. His brother Luis Doreste himself preferred to try his luck on a Flying Dutchman, and the result was golden! The Doreste family now has two Olympic heroes. Gold medallist in the 470 class in Los Angeles, Luis fully intends to be on the rostrum after the regattas in Atlanta. His crew, Domingo Manrique, who has been taking part since 1974, prefers events in light winds, and he was not disappointed. But it...
was in the 470 class that Spain did best with gold for men and women. Even Francisco Sanchez, bronze in Seoul, could not believe it.

To complete the series, Natalia Via Dufresne took silver on a Europe. In Soling, the Spanish crew, which included Prince Felipe, did not do as well as had been hoped, coming in sixth. It was the Danes who pulled off a win, beating the American vessel both times. The British won the bronze after an extra race to break a tie with the Germans. In the Tornado class, after a moderate showing in the heats, the French made a great comeback. Their choice of sail - a determining factor on a catamaran finally proved better than that of the Americans, who took silver, and they triumphed in the last regatta, wresting a hard-won victory from the New Zealanders who just conceded the bronze to the Australians. It was a great day for Loday, champion in Seoul, who became the first Frenchman to win two yachting titles back-to-back. The remaining medals were more widely distributed. The Danes, champions on Flying Dutchman in Seoul, took third place and the Americans second after winning gold in the Star class, followed by the New Zealanders and the Canadians. In the men’s 470 class, the Soviet crew had won silver in Seoul; Estonian this time, they took bronze behind the Americans. Among the women, the New Zealanders took silver and the Unified Team, third in Seoul, came in only fourth in Barcelona. The bronze went to the United States as was also the case in the new Europe class, where the gold was won by a Norwegian, Linda Andersen.
**Star**
1. USA
   Mark J. Reynolds
   Hal H. Haenel 31.40
   Roderick Hopkins Davis
   Donald John Cowie 58.40
   D. Ross Macdonald
   Eric Albert Jespersen
   3. CAN
   D. Ross Macdonald
   4. NZL
   5. SWE
   Hans Wallen
   Bobby Lohse
   6. GER
   Hans Vogt
   Jorg Fricke
   7. AUS
   Colin Kenneth Beashel
   David James Giles
   8. GRE
   Iakovos Kisseoglou
   Dimitris Boukis
   84.00

**Flying Dutchman**
1. ESP
   Luis Doreste Blanco
   Domingo Manrique
   2. USA
   Paul Forester
   Stephen Bournow
   3. DEN
   Jorgen Bojesen Moller
   Jens Bojesen Moller
   4. NZL
   Murray Selwyn Jones
   Gregory John Knowles
   5. GER
   Albert Batzill
   Peter Lang
   6. SWE
   Mats Nyberg
   Johan Lindell
   7. NOR
   Ole Petter Pollen
   Knut Frostad
   8. SUI
   Jan Eckert
   Piet Fabian Eckert
   31.40
   58.40
   62.70
   64.00
   64.00
   65.00
   65.00
   65.00

**Tornado**
1. FRA
   Yves Loday
   Nicolas Henard
   2. USA
   Randy Smyth
   Keith Notary
   3. NZL
   Rex Samuel Sellers
   Brian Douglas Jones
   4. GER
   Albert Batzill
   Peter Lang
   5. CAN
   David Ross Sweeney
   Kevin Smith
   6. SWE
   Mats Nyberg
   Johan Lindell
   7. NOR
   Ole Petter Pollen
   Knut Frostad
   8. BRA
   Clinio Freitas
   78.40
   81.70
   70.40
   78.40
   78.40
   80.70
   81.70
   65.40
   62.70
   51.70
   65.00
   65.00
   65.00
   69.70
   40.40
   42.00
   44.40
**Soling - Sóling**

1. DEN
Jesper Bank
Steen Klaaborg Secher
Jesper Seier 65.00
2. USA
Kevin Mahaney
Jim Brady
Doug Kern 55.40
3. GBR
Lawrie Smith
Robert Gordon Cruikshank
Ossie Stewart 69.00
4. GER
Jochen Schumann
Thomas Flach
Bernst Jakel 56.10
5. SWE
Magnus Holmberg
Bjorn Aim
Johan Barne 65.00
6. ESP
Fernando Leon Boissier
Felipe De Borbon S.A.R.
Alfredo Vazquez Jimenez 70.40
7. CAN
Robert Paul Thomson
Robert Stuart Flinn
Philip K. Gow 74.10
8. NZL
Russell Coutts
Simon Leslie Daubney
Graham John Fleury 82.70

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**470**

1. ESP
Jordi Calafat Esterlich
Francisco Sanchez Luna 50.00
2. USA
Morgan Reeser
Kevin Burnham 66.70
3. EST
Tonu Toniste
Toomas Toniste 68.70
4. FIN
Petter Johannes Leskinen
Mika Lauri Aarnikka 69.70
5. NOR
Herman Johnsen Horn
Pal McCarthy 71.70
6. GBR
Paul Broherton
Andrew Galbraith Hemmings 76.40
7. NZL
Craig Dallas Greenwood
Jon Robert Bilger 80.40
8. GER
Wolfgang Dr. Hunger
Rolf Schmidt 82.40

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**Europe**

1. Linda Andersen (NOR) 48.70
2. Natalia Via Dufresne (ESP) 57.40
3. Julia Trotman (USA) 62.70
4. Jennifer M. Armstrong (NZL) 65.00
5. Dorte Jensen (DEN) 65.70
6. Krista Kruuv (EST) 67.10
7. Martine van Leeuwen (NED) 67.70
8. Arianna Bogatec (ITA) 69.00

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**Finn**

1. José M. Van Der Ploeg Garcia (ESP) 33.40
2. Brian Ledbetter (USA) 54.70
3. Craig John Monk (NZL) 64.70
4. Stuart Michael Childerley (GBR) 68.10
5. Fredrik Looi (SWE) 68.70
6. Othmar Muehler (SUI) 70.00
7. Xavier Rohart (FRA) 75.00
8. Hans Spitzauer (AUT) 79.40

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* Soling (opposite page).
* Flying Dutchman.
* The American Star (below).
The sailboarders had a hard struggle. Frenchman David took the lead in the last race ahead of the American Gebhardt, whose aspirations were checked in part by the New Zealander Kendall. Kendall, champion in Seoul, only managed fourth place behind the Australian Kleppich. The Lechner A-390 class was open to women for the first time. There, New Zealand won the first gold ahead of the Chinese, making their Olympic sailing debut, and the Dutch. The French twofold world champion, Maud Hébert, was disqualified.

**Hommes - Men - Hombres**

* Lechner A-390

1. Franck David (FRA) 70.70
2. Mike Gebhardt (USA) 71.10
3. Lars Detlef Kleppich (AUS) 98.70
4. Anthony Bruce Kendall (NZL) 105.70
5. Christoph Sieber (AUT) 110.10
6. Asier Fernandez De Bohadilla (ESP) 117.00
7. Stephan Van Den Berg (NED) 117.70
8. Amit Inbar (ISR) 118.10

**Femmes - Women - Mujeres**

* Lechner A-390

1. Barbara Anne Kendall (NZL) 47.80
2. Xiaodong Zhang (CHN) 65.80
3. Dorien De Vries (NED) 68.70
4. Maud Hébert (FRA) 78.00
5. Lane Butler (USA) 95.70
6. Penny Way (GBR) 99.40
7. Alessandra Sensini (ITA) 101.40
8. Jorunn Horgen (NOR) 102.70

Franck David.
Fifth in Seoul, the Dutch made a remarkable comeback in this Olympic tournament, where they were a star attraction. Despite resounding defeats in the preliminary matches against Brazil, the Unified Team and above all world vice champions Cuba, which left them fourth in their group, they eventually made the final and took the silver medal.

They qualified for the semi-final by their win over the Italians in the quarter finals, thereby eliminating the reigning world champions who had dominated the game over the past four years. A victory in five sets, full of surprises, despite the loss of their setter Peter Blange, who went out with an ankle injury at the end of the second. The Italians, who did well in the second and third sets, were completely dominated in the fourth, winning only two points. They recovered but were unable to stave off defeat under their opponents’ onslaught. In the semi-finals, Cuba played the Dutch team and the Brazilians were up against the Americans. Demonstrating with brio their superiority over the Cubans in a rapid three-set match, the Dutch heaved themselves into the final, relegating the prestigious Cuban team, Pan-American champions, which had been well placed after a convincing three-zero win over the Spanish. The Spanish team, although automatically qualified, showed considerable expertise, acquired under their Cuban coach Gilberto Herrera, which finally took them into the quarter-finals. The Brazilian team, the only one to have qualified for the Olympic tournament every time since 1964, reached the final undefeated. Led by Marcelo Negrao, an exceptional attacking player at only 19 years old, who, with rare persistence, made constant inroads into his opponents’ defences, they handled the tournament masterfully. The match against Japan was to remain one of the most striking examples until their three-one
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Hommes - Men - Hombres
Finale - Final
1. BRA 5. ITA
2. NED 6. JPN
3. USA 7. EUN
4. CUB 8. ESP

Series finales - Final round - Series finales
1-2 places : BRA-NED : 3-0 sets : 15-1 12/15-8/15-5
3-4 places USA-CUB : 3-1 sets : 15-13/15-11 15-7/15-13
5-6 places : ITA-JPN : 3-0 sets : 15-7/15-13 15-2/15-11
7-8 places : EUN-ESP : 3-2 sets : 15-8/15-5 15-15-12

Demi-finales/Semi-finals/Semifinales
NED-CUB : 3-0 sets : 15-11/15-13 15-9
BRA-USA : 3-1 sets : 15-9/15-8/15-12

Victory over the United States in the semi-finals, which put paid to American hopes of becoming the first team to take home three successive gold medals. For the Brazilians, it was a belated but sweet revenge against the team which beat them in Los Angeles in 1984.

And so we find the Brazilians in the final, where they beat the Dutch three sets to one. They played with superb assurance and perfect teamwork against the Dutch, whose size was a factor in their favour but whose play was more individual and less close-knit. The Dutch captain Avital Selinger praised his Brazilian counterpart as “a great attacking player, a great athlete with a tremendous capacity for improvisation.”

Third place finally went to the Americans, who came through against a Cuban team which, despite a powerful start, was unable to prevent the opposition taking control of the game in the last three sets.

The American team can be satisfied with its bronze medal, as their play during this tournament was distinctly temperamental, hence the devastating disappointment suffered after their match against the Japanese. The result of the match was in fact reversed by the FIVB. Japan was winning when a second yellow card was issued to an American, which should have led to the player’s expulsion and a penalty point, giving the match to the Japanese. The referee could not bring himself to apply such a penalty, but the FIVB upheld a complaint by the Japanese and overturned the result. The Americans’ gold medal hopes received a serious setback and the players shaved their heads in vexation.

The bronze medal went to the Americans in the women’s tournament, too. Beaten by the Cubans, American women held their own thanks to Caren Kemner’s blocks at the net which kept them ahead in a three-set match against the Brazilians. It was their second medal after the silver in Los Angeles. The Cubans won the gold. The team which had won at the Pan-American Games last year made the Olympic rostrum for the first time after at least four attempts. The biggest disappointment was the Unified Team, which, for its last performance in its present composition, was unable to hold on to the title after four gold medals, including those in Seoul and Moscow. After a tough match in five sets which took all the efforts of experienced players like

The Dutch versus the Italian

1. BRA
Marcelo Teles Negrao, Jorge Edison Saouza De Brito, Giovane Fantinazzo Gavio, Paulo Andre Junoski Silva, Mauricio Camargo Lima, Janelson Santos Carvalho, Douglas Chiarotti, Antonio Carlos Aguas Gouveira, Talmo Curto De Oliveira, Andre Felippe Falbo Ferreia, Alexandre Ramos Samiel, Amauri Ribeiro

2. NED
Martin Telfier, Henk-Jan Held, Ron Boudrie, Marko Kluk, Ronald Zwerver, Avital Selinger, Edwin Benne, Olaf Van Der Meulen, Peter Blange, Jan Posthuma, Martin Van Der Horst, Ronald Zoodsma

3. USA
Irina Smirnova or Valentina Ogienko, who had been present in Seoul but were obviously tired or disillusioned, the team everyone had thought was unbeatable finally gave way to the refreshing vigour of the Cubans.

1. CUB:

2. EUN:
   Valentina Ogienko, Natalia Morozova, Marina Nikouлина, Elena Batoukhina, Irina Smirnova, Tatiana Sidorенко, Tatiana Merchova, Evgenia Artamonova, Galina Lebedeva, Svetlana Vassilevskaya, Elena Tcheboukina, Svetlana Koritova.

3. USA:

The final match between the Unified Team and Cuba.

Dames - Women - Mujeres

Finale - Final
1. CUB 5. JPN
2. EUN 6. NED
3. USA 7. CHN
4. BRA 8. ESP

Séries finales - Final round - Series finales
1-2 places : CUB-EUN : 3-1
sets:15-14/12-15/15-12/15-13
3-4 places : USA-BRA : 3-0
sets:15-3/15-6/15-13
5-6 places : JPN-NED : 3-1
sets:15-0/11-15/15-13/15-10
7-8 places : CHN-ESP : N.C.

Demi-finales / Semi finals / Semifinales
CUB-USA : 3-2
EUN-BRA : 3-1
sets:15-10/13-15/5-15-5