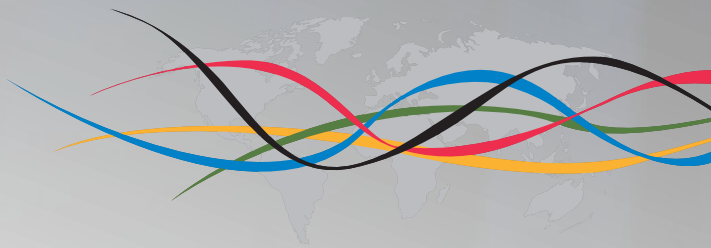




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# "In the International Council, new experiences and tradition

Dear Panathlete friends,

On 17th October 2020, Panathlon International's elective assembly assigned new four-year offices to a group that was almost entirely renewed.

You will be able to read the outcome of the elections and all the names of the newly elected members in this edition of the Magazine that, due to the current health system problems is once again being sent to you via the Internet. The success of the Assembly in terms of presence could certainly not be taken for granted, because far from being cleared up the healthcare crisis was actually getting worse.

The Elective Assembly of the Italian District, held just two weeks earlier, had already forced the Clubs of the District to move and it was feared that a limited number of people would be attending in Osimo. But for Panathlon the stars were in favour. It was still allowed to hold meetings attended by plenty of participants, with the appropriate precautions, and restaurants could still welcome diners. Had the Assembly been scheduled for a later date, none of the Clubs could have attended it physically since the healthcare situation changed dramatically and rapidly, just two days after the end of the Assembly!

We must appreciate above all the great constructive spirit of our Clubs. Considering the circumstances, many of the members took part, either personally or voting either by delegation or by mail. Thus, the 155 Clubs that were voting ensured proper legitimacy of the elected parties.

I would like to thank once again the organisers, of whom Luigi Innocenzi - elected to the International Council – was in charge of the event, in addition to the Clubs of Ancona and Osimo, whose fantastic work enabled us to spend our days successfully from every point of view.

For the first time in its history, Panathlon International now has a deputy chairwoman.

Gender equality is an Olympic value. It is an integral part of the principles of good governance with which Panathlon International, an organisation recognised by the IOC, is bound to comply. This value and these principles imply, in particular, that the presence of women in the decision-making bodies of sports organisations must increase and tend towards equality. With about 10% of women among its members, our Movement is still a long way away from being a model of equality.

Assigning this office to a woman does not mean only tending towards closer gender equality, but above all it means allowing someone representing half of our human beings to express and illustrate another perspective within the Presidential Committee and the International Council.

Thanks also to her experience as Governor of the Italy District, Orietta Maggi will meet her tasks perfectly and we are certain that we will be able to work in full cooperation with her.

I am glad to be able to experience the period that has just started with all the new International Councillors, of course without forgetting our Past-President Giacomo Santini, who is remaining in office.

Becoming an International Councillor is an honour, but also a great responsibility. International Councillors are the witnesses of their Districts and of their culture but, on joining the management body of Panathlon International they can acquire an overall vision of our Movement. Our International Councillors become facilitators of our organisation beyond the frontiers, so as to achieve the aims of the world Olympic Movement.

Within the Olympic Family, we are among the bearers and the carriers of the ethical values in the world of Sport. We will succeed in this thanks to a cohesive group that will work around these objectives.

The second meeting of the new Council, set for 27th November, will in particular have the task of assigning the missions of which the Councillors will take care specifically, depending on their wishes and their skills.

We will also be called upon to make several appointments, including those of the president of the Scientific and Cultural Commission, of the members of the Council of the Domenico Chiesa Foundation and of the person in the International Council of the University Panathlon Club, as well as those of the supervisors of the two representative groups of Panathlon International in Lausanne and Brussels. Other specific assignments may also be envisaged, to be entrusted to enthusiastic and willing Panathletes.

On becoming operational, the Council will concentrate on developing a working plan, that will include studying the ideas developed by the new International Councillor Luis Moreno in his five-year plan.

So let us work together for this mission in the coming four years.

Please enjoy reading our Magazine.



**Pierre Zappelli**  
International President



# Pierre Zappelli has been re-elected President

*Orietta Maggi has been designated deputy president, -Simona Callo has been confirmed Secretary General and Stefano Giulieri Treasurer*

In the splendid theatre «La Nuova Fenice» in Osimo the Assembly of the Panathlon International Clubs re-confirmed their confidence in their President Pierre Zappelli (CH), who will therefore guide the Movement also for the next four years.

The 155 voters then expressed their preferences for renewing the whole International Council, which now consists of:

Orietta Maggi – Deputy -President (I),  
Giorgio Chinellato (I),  
Stefano Giulieri (CH),  
Eugenio Guglielmino (I),  
Luigi Innocenzi (I),  
Patrick Van Campenhout (B),  
Luis Moreno Gonzales (PER).

The assignments of Simona Callo (I) as General Secretary and of Stefano Giulieri as Treasurer have been confirmed.

For the first time a woman holds the position of Deputy President. In the history of Panathlon International only one other woman has been elected international councillor, this being Renata Soliani, still very active in the Como Club where she is in charge of Communication.

The new Boards were also appointed, consisting of the following:

- Auditors' Board – statutory auditors: Marino Albani (RSM) Andrea Sbardellati (I) Giuseppe Ravasi (I) – substitute members: Nicola Fiore (I) and Gabriel Del Monte (U)

- Board of Arbitration and Statutory Warranty Board– statutory members: Sandro Carlo Fagiolino (I), Franco Fährndrich (CH), Riccardo Galassi (I) – substitute members: Fatima Muoio (I) Mario Romano (U)

Among the first to congratulate the re-confirmed President was Thomas Bach, President of the IOC, with a personal letter.

On the days preceding the international meeting, local elections were held in order to appoint the district presidents and, as far as concerned Italy, the area governors.

The new institutional structure of Panathlon International is illustrated in a table in this magazine.





# INSTITUTIONAL STRUCTURE PANATHLON INTERNATIONAL 2020

## ● INTERNATIONAL BOARD

**President** : Pierre Zappelli (CH)

**Past President**: Giacomo Santini

**Deputy chair person**: Orietta Maggi

**Councillors**: Giorgio Chinellato (I), Stefano Giulieri (CH), Eugenio Guglielmino (I), Luigi Innocenzi (I), Patrick Van Campenhout (B) and Luis Moreno Gonzales (PER).

**Secretary General**: Simona Callo (reconfirmed)

### **Board of Auditors**

- statutory members: Marino Albani (RSM), Andrea Sbardellati (I), Giuseppe Ravasi (I)
- substitute member: Nicola Fiore (I) and Gabriel del Monte (U)

### **Board of Arbitration and Statutory Warranty Board**

- statutory members: Sandro Caarlo Fagiolino (I), Frano Fahndrich (CH), Riccardo Galassi (I)
- substitute members: Fatima Muoio (I), Mario Romano (U)

## ● DISTRICT PRESIDENTS

Austria	JOSEF MÜLLER
Belgium	PAUL STANDAERT
Brazil	PEDRO ROBERTO PEREIRA DE SOUZA
Chile	EDUARDO GUROVICH PARADIS
Ecuador	DANILO EDOARDO CARRERA DROUET
France	BERNARD THE'EVENT
Italy	GIORGIO COSTA
Mexico	SOCORRO M. SAMANIEGO GARZA
Peru	LUIS MORENO GONZALES
Uruguay	EDGARDO ETTLIN
Switzerland and, associated, the Fürstentum Liechtenstein Club	BERNHARD SEGESSER
Supernational District	

## ● ITALIAN DISTRICT – AREA GOVERNORS

FALCO GIUSEPPE	AREA 1: VENETO – TRENTINO ALTO ADIGE/SUDTIROL
BELLOLI ATTILIO	AREA 2: LOMBARDY
NASI MAURIZIO	AREA 3: PIEDMONT-AOSTA VALLEY
TABARONI GERMANO	AREA 4: LIGURIA
MONTONE LUCIO	AREA 5: EMILIA ROMAGNA – MARCHE
DA ROIT ANDREA	AREA 6: TUSCANY
MORETTI DEMETRIO	AREA 7: ABBRUZZO-MOLISE
COLUZZI MARIO	AREA 8: PUGLIA-CALABRIA-BASILICATA
PREGADIO ROBERTO	AREA 9: SICILY
CUSTODI RITA	AREA 10: UMBRIA
SCHILLIRO' FRANCESCO	AREA 11: CAMPANIA
PERIN PAOLO	AREA 12: FRIULI VNEZIA GIULIA
SANNA FRANCESCO	AREA 13: SARDINIA
SAGRESTANI CESARE	AREA 14: LAZIO

# Internationality as a compulsory horizon

*Equal dignity for people and flags and special attention for the more fragile situations*

by Giacomo Santini  
International Past President

This magazine was created just after the General Assembly in Osimo, and right in the middle of the COVID 19 epidemiological emergency.

The two events became chained together and, inevitably, the second heavily conditioned the first. Apart from the many absences of people who, due either to age or for health reasons, did not feel up to facing the risk of the long co-habitation imposed by the works, including the moments of refreshment and collateral ceremonies, there was in the atmosphere a sense of precariousness that would be projected into the future, even after the end of the works.

First of all, well done to everyone who, in similar conditions of difficulty, did their utmost to go through with the event, starting from the newly appointed International Counsellor Luigi Innocenzi, co-ordinator of all the logistic activities, and right through to all the staff of Panathlon International.

And, of course, applause and good wishes for the work of Chairman Pierre Zappelli, whose appointment was confirmed also for the next four years.

All this while, at other levels, similarly to what had happened starting in the Spring, many organisations and associations began again to suggest exclusively impersonal meetings, that is to say on the waves of information technology rather than of direct feelings.

Should this be repeated also for Panathlon, this would mean one more problem for the new impulse that each new international council brings up in the four years of its activity.

Personal and physical encounters are the platform on which fundamental values such as acquaintance, the incubator of friendship, grow.

Talk at a distance, in spite of increasingly refined technologies, scatter in the atmosphere the scents, the tastes, the truest accents of a confrontation between people wanting to share a road and a mission.

It must therefore be hoped that the resumption of the pandemic will slow down shortly and that the four-year period ahead of us will develop in a manner more

human than technological. Above all so as to impress the thrust of which Panathlon International does have a need.

The first need is to continue with conviction towards an increasingly strong internationalisation, according to the thrust emitted ever since 2012, with the council introduced in Siracusa, presided over by the undersigned and continued in 2016 at Antwerp with the election of a Swiss chairperson. This acceleration beyond the frontiers of Italy, the original home country of the panathletic movement, was not applauded with conviction by everyone.

Many Italian members do not agree with the excessive transfer of management "powers" to other than Italian hands. They considered it a sort of betrayal of the history of Panathlon, an unnatural delegation occurring more due to the distraction of certain "italic sentries" rather than to the effect of an inescapable evolution, in line with the true story of the movement and with the democratic decisions of the meetings.

It was not by chance that the very founding "Fathers", only a couple of years after that nostalgic 12th of June 1951, began to look beyond the profile of the Alps and beyond the seas surrounding Italy, aware that History with a capital "H" needed vaster horizons.

Internationalisation passes through two lines of action: the first is the creation of new clubs in countries in which Panathlon is not yet present; the second is the thrust to have our movement join up with international organisations in which it can find notoriety and purposeful roles.

The most significant participation is certainly the recognition received by us from the International Olympic Committee, similarly to what happens, at district level, to the National Olympic Committees. Until a few years ago, the Chairman of Panathlon was a member of the IOC's Culture and Olympic Heritage Commission alongside world-level managers of Olympic Federations and Committees.

In recent years, the excessive stiffness of rules with personnel records led to the exclusion of many members.

Since 2013 Panathlon is a member of the Scientific Committee of EPAS, the Council of Europe's organisation inspiring the lines of sports policies lines in fifty or so countries and that offers opportunities for contacts of great prestige with sports ministers. Ever since 2013, with the thrust of the then chairman of the Belgian District Vic De Donder, we laid the basis for setting up an official representation with the European Institutions, now working in Brussels and precious for the projects of community cooperation.

In 2016 at the Hague we signed an agreement with the European Commissioner for sport and youth for the participation of all the Panathlon Clubs to take part in the great European EWomovement.

The official representation in Lausanne, in direct contact with the CIO and the great Federations present in the Olympic city was opened recently.

These international contacts enable Panathlon to grow in importance and presence among the world-level organisms, but at the same time they constitute a formidable added value for each national district, starting with the Italian one.

The label of internationality grants each national panathletic structure greater prestige in the contexts in which they work, alongside associations of a purely local nature.

Yet another challenge waiting for us is the attention to be paid to the new situations of precariousness caused

by the repercussions, also of an economic nature, of the pandemic all over the world.

The eternal debate about the international balances of the fees is just one chapter of the cahier de doléances (list of grievances) exacerbated by Covid 19. Economic difficulties could oblige many members to give up their commitments with Panathlon and to dedicate themselves more intensely to activities of recovery of their lost financial equilibrium.

Moving on a international horizon means having the ability to identify the diversities of the problems existing at each latitude and to take them into account in their choices, so as not to lose what already exists, in the hope of re-launching the future.

It is now up to the new International Council to validate this, line, granting equal dignity to all the persons and to the different flags present in Panathlon, so as to make that flambeau in which we all recognise ourselves increasingly clearly lighted.

## Showing of the Panathlon Symbol for the Representative Organisms only

A far from new issue is being discussed again, after being debated in Panathlon International: use of the Panathlon symbol in institutional communication and individual communications by single members.

During the course of the recent meeting of the Presidential Committee, following recent private statements by members on social media, showing the symbol, a question was raised as to the opportunity of its free use in such a way.

The President's Committee reiterated the rule already adopted in the past to limit the right to show the symbol only to institutional organisations in their communications and official documentation, that is to say:

- International bodies
- National districts
- Areas
- Clubs

Individual talks among members are positive and providential for conversation but must take place within a system of total freedom and therefore committing personal opinions that cannot be supported by a symbol that is everyone's.





# Rules of the 1st "Sport and COVID19-pandemic" Photo Contest

The competition "Sport and COVID- pandemic" is an initiative organized by Panathlon International aimed at collecting and awarding "photographic shots" related to sport and the Covid-19 pandemic lockdown.

## PHOTO CONTEST PARTICIPATION AND ENTRY

The contest is open to all photography enthusiasts and will be divided into two categories: "colour" and "black and white" which wishes to represent this difficult period we are going through.

## THEME OF THE PHOTOGRAPHS

All photos must have a defined theme: sport related to health emergency for Covid-19.

## TYPE OF PHOTOS

Each participant may submit a photograph either in B/W or in colour. The photos must be unpublished and not have participated in other photo contests. Photomontages and heavily retouched photos will be excluded. The works may be used by Panathlon International.

## WAYS OF SENDING THE PHOTO MATERIAL

Participating is simple, the photo with name, surname, residence and email address can be sent by email to [panathloncontest@panathlon.net](mailto:panathloncontest@panathlon.net) or by Instagram to: [instagram.com/panathloninternational1951-](https://www.instagram.com/panathloninternational1951-) #panathlon-photocontest

## USE OF THE MATERIAL

Each author, holder of all rights on his originals, is personally responsible for the works submitted. Each author retains the property of the photos sent to the contest, but gives free of charge to the organization of the contest the rights of unlimited use of the images, which may publish and disseminate them in magazines, newspapers, websites and on any other media and advertising media as long as it is non-profit, with the sole obligation to mention, each time, the author or authors of the photographs.

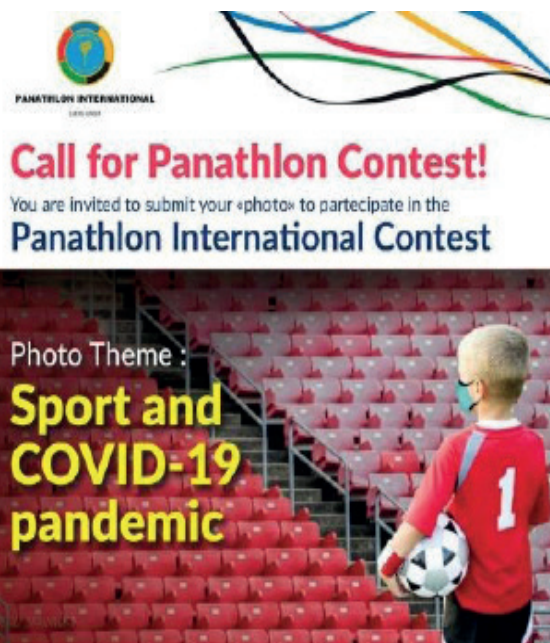
Panathlon International cannot give to thirds the photographs in competition for any reason whatsoever.

## RIGHTS AND LIABILITY OF THE PARTICIPANTS

Each participant is civilly and criminally responsible for his or her own work, relieving Panathlon International from any responsibility, even towards any subject depicted in the photographs. The participant must inform any interested parties (portrayed persons) in the cases provided by law and, if necessary, obtain their consent for the dissemination of the same, under penalty of exclusion from the contest. The images cannot contain any data that can be classified as sensitive. Each participant declares that he or she holds all rights on the originals, digital acquisitions and processing of the photographs.

## WORKS

The photo admitted to the Contest, will be published on



Panathlon International official website ([www.panathlon-international.org](http://www.panathlon-international.org)) and on Panathlon International Facebook profile.

The photos that will receive more "like" on FB will be considered web winners (one in colour and one in B/W) and will be used for the cover of the official Magazine of Panathlon International, quoting the winner's name and surname.

All the photographs received will then be evaluated by an International Jury that, with unquestionable and unappealable judgement, will identify the first two best works and proclaim them the winners of the Contest (per colours and B/W category).

The prize will consist of a smartphone.

In addition, each participant will receive a certificate of participation by email.

**DEADLINE** The works must be received no later than 31 January 2021

## ACCEPTANCE OF THE REGULATION AND ITS CONDITIONS

Participation in the contest implies unconditional acceptance of the rules contained in this regulation and the authorization to process personal data that will be used solely for the purposes of this Contest. The data collected and processed by computer will be used to establish the winners and to identify the authors of the photographs on the various occasions in which they will be exhibited or published and for communications relating to the contest. The participant has the right to access his data and to exercise the rights of integration, rectification, cancellation etc. writing an email to: [info@panathlon.net](mailto:info@panathlon.net).

# An international certificate for protecting the young during sport

As part of its ongoing efforts to promote athletes' safety and wellbeing, the Executive Board (EB) of the International Olympic Committee (IOC) today approved the establishment of the "International Safeguarding Officer in Sport Certificate".

The course leading to certification is set to commence in September 2021. This is a first of its kind because there is currently no certificate or minimum standard of education or training for safeguarding officers in sport on an international level.

The five-month education course will be developed by an International Advisory Board of experts, under three Programme Directors, and will be fully aligned with other international efforts to protect athletes and align sports policies and programmes with the United Nations 2030 Agenda.

It will be hosted on sportsoracle. The course will include a final examination, which must be passed in order to receive the certification.

Registration for this course – which will be open to anyone, but aimed in particular at International Federations (IFs), National Federations (NFs) and National Olympic Committees (NOCs) – will incur a fee. Successful candidates proposed by the NOCs will be able to apply for Olympic Solidarity scholarships to enrol in this course.

"The safety and wellbeing of athletes are paramount to the IOC and the Olympic Movement. We need to make every effort to keep athletes safe and to guard their rights. I am pleased that we can today initiate this certificate to enhance awareness and education in this important area of athlete welfare, reinforcing the stance against all forms of harassment and abuse in sport," said IOC President Thomas Bach.

In another effort, 11 additional webinars for NOCs will be available in four different languages from October 2020 onwards. This series intends to address cultural challenges faced by NOCs in developing and implementing athlete safeguarding initiatives, enhance their capacity in athlete safeguarding, facilitate the sharing of best practices and provide access to a group of experts who can offer further support. It builds on the success of a webinar series organised for IFs in 2019.

Additionally, the IOC is planning a safe sport digital education and awareness campaign starting in the fourth quarter of 2020. This Athlete365 campaign will look to build global awareness around safe sport in the run-up to the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020.



The principle of the safe sport digital education and awareness campaign is to safeguard athletes, protect the integrity of sport and promote sporting values, through:

- Educating and empowering athletes with knowledge of what safe sport means.
- Removing the stigma surrounding this topic and moving the conversation towards a positive message of support and solidarity.
- Encouraging action by providing easily understood education, and awareness of reporting frameworks and procedures such as the IOC Games-Time Framework, during the Olympic and Youth Olympic Games.

The IOC has been raising awareness of athlete safeguarding globally by encouraging every sports and sport-for-development organisation to tackle this issue and improve athlete protection. This new initiative further strengthens the IOC's commitment to educating and making the Olympic Movement aware of the importance of safeguarding.

As of Rio 2016, an IOC Safeguarding Officer has been present and available to all athletes competing at the Olympic and Youth Olympic Games.

Through the work of its Prevention of Harassment and Abuse in Sport (PHAS) Working Group, the IOC has been striving to guide and assist the IFs and NOCs in developing their own policies to prevent harassment and abuse.

In 2017, the IOC launched the "IOC Athlete Safeguarding Toolkit" in collaboration with over 50 stakeholders, including athletes, IFs, NOCs and subject-matter experts. Previously, in 2016, the "IOC Guidelines for IFs and NOCs related to creating and implementing a policy to safeguard athletes from harassment and abuse in sport" were released.

# Pandemic and isolation

## A blow to the heart of sport

*Repercussions in young sports people from the physical, psychological and emotional points of view*

by Patricia Alejandro Cuneo  
(Psychologist)

Let us start by describing pandemics and isolation: a pandemic is “when an epidemic disease spreads through many countries” while isolation “is the social distance that is imposed in order to prevent the spreading of a disease.”

A contradiction arises here in a subtle manner. Historically, isolation is the tool with which mankind first defended himself against the threat of a pandemic, in order to save the health of the population.

Where would the contradiction be, if this is something positive? ... Precisely in the very condition of isolation, that keeps us away from others. Some people have been left on their own, or just with the people with whom they live, but kept at a distance by the social practices we were used to, our habits get turned upside down, everything changes and a new order is created, interpersonal relations, relations at work, relating to studies, sports, etc.

In this new order, individual and social ghosts start to appear, causing UNCERTAINTY, INSTABILITY, FEAR OF CONTAGION and even of DAEATH. People are social parties who generate habits, customs, routines. When everything seems to be shaken up, destabilised, it is possible that some questions start to appear in the body. Now, what body are we talking about? About mental health? A body is not only a set of cells. It is a symbolic body, passed through by a language.

Let us imagine what René Spitz explains to us as “HOSPITALISM”, when a child, up to the age of 18 months, spends a long period in a hospital where they can be fed, covered and cleaned, but without receiving “special care”, “somebody calling them”, generating a symbolic link with them.

The consequences could be delays in development of the body, a low level of their immune system, that is to say a series of mental diseases, among which turmoil and then death.

So let us take into consideration the value of one's link with another person, one who dispenses special attention, love, empathy and affection. This is a condition in our species.

For this the “symbolic body” that is encountered on passing through the process of isolation may present various different sets of symptoms relating to it. Although this can be seen every day in clinical medicine, in this period it is aggravated: anxiety, repression, sleeping disorders, eating disorders and the aggravation of dependence-related behaviour, that are, ultimately, the expressions of unease occurring when one is faced with a “traumatic fact”.

The effect of a pandemic like this one, requiring such a long time, and also in the earlier pandemics, the most recent being the “black death” in 1347 to 1351, smallpox in 1520 and Spanish flu in 1918, and today we have COVID-19. As I said, the effect is comparable to a war, a natural disaster or the death of a person we are fond of, and faced with this every individual responds with his own psychic apparatus, with his own emotional framework. It is considered a traumatic fact as it breaches







our reality and changes it, impressing in us the need to answer in a new way for our psyche, since we were not ready for this situation.

In this sense we could think about what happens to an athlete, how to respond to this. Mr. Raal Barrios, deputy chairman of Psychology of Sport in the UBA describes an athlete "as someone with greater resilience, a head tied to success, strong in terms of temperament, more hot-blooded, thinking of training in order to reach a good physical performance, someone who improves his technique and goes out to compete and win".

According to this description, we would say that he has some other instrument, however this does not stop each individual being unique, and this means that it does not matter to what extent an athlete has this sort of head. It will depend on the extent to which each individual responds to this traumatic fact, that dominates the centre of our lives.

What is more, since social relations are broken off, human contact, the sharing of spaces, the manipulation of objects in a common form, what has been affected is "the heart of sport".

Because sport, in its definition, is not only a regulated physical activity, but an activity with a social prospect. "An athlete feels the lack" of the smell of grass, of the wood of the floor of the sports building, of his trainers, of his companions, of his habits (Mr. R. Barrios), indeed of the place to which he belongs, of his link with other people.

The manner in which he can be accompanied at this time is to pay attention, to strengthen those links, without leaving the person living inside that athlete on their own.

Clubs as a social institutions that, using the instruments we use today, have been placed at disposal of trainers who propose physical exercises and motivating talks on line, then nutrition experts who suggest suitable diets depending on the sport involved, trying in this way to maintain the persons with regard to hearing and isolation. It is necessary to take into consideration that many have changed their goals, passing from one category to another, postponing the dates of a competition, changing their habits, in short, their own organisation.

And as we have said to start with, when our habits change suddenly this destabilises us and we need a little time to re-organise ourselves, and as I have said also to them, each person responds in a different way and with the emotional framework that he has, that is to say with his own psyche.

For this reason we cannot generalise, we must listen to the individual, whether a sportsman or not, including and accompanying them.

#### Quotes:

*René Spits: Malattie Mentali (Mental Diseases)*

*Raoul Barrios: Definizione di sportivo (Definition of a sports person)*

# COVID 19 is expensive for top football too

*Let's hope that certain immoral fees for champions are "humanised"*

The corona virus has given a nasty bite also to the funds of the big European football teams.

Which are the top football companies in Europe in terms of their business values?

The new annual report by Kpmg Football Benchmark, based on pre-corona virus data, gives rise to plenty of surprises. For example, it now places Italian teams that are usually highlighted for their exaggerated spending far away from the top places.

This is the order, based on a "algebraic sum between the market value of their own capital (or net assets) plus the total of their financial debts and less their cash":

ES Real Madrid (3,478 million euros);  
GB Manchester United (3,342);  
ES Barcellona (3,193); De Bayern Monaco (2,878);  
GB Liverpool (2,658).

The first Italian team on the list is Juventus, which has gone down and is now eleventh (1,735 million euros). It is followed at a distance by Inter (14th, 983), Roma (16th, 602), Napoli /17th, 590) and Milan (22nd, 522).

Generally speaking, the whole sector has felt the corona virus effect, which "has lowered their values" on the average "by 20 to 25%. It can only be hoped that this drop has virtuous repercussions also on the earning levels of certain players, paid scandalous and immoral amounts, in relation to the great poverty in which most of humanity have to live.

And above all in relation to the category of the "new poor", created precisely by the pandemic all over the world among particularly vulnerable social layers of the population.



# *The Tokyo Olympics have been deferred but the programme remains the same*

Here is how the competitions will take place in the various sports, day by day

Having put off the 2020 Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic Games until one year later, although without changes to the dynamics and timing, the Organising Committee of the Games has confirmed for 2021 the same programme envisaged for those that were meant to take place this year in Japan but were then deferred until next year because of the pandemic due to Covid-19.

In April the Organising Committee, the IOC and the International Paralympic Committee had agreed that, taking the critical impact of the programme on every aspect of the preparation into account, each session of the 2021 competition would, in principle, be scheduled as initially envisaged for 2020.

This has affected the programme that, except for some adaptations for a few events, mainly for operational reasons, has been confirmed in full. While the preparations for the Games continue, Tokyo 2020 is working on resolving all the possible remaining critical aspects, including those connected with the period of use of the competition premises.

The competitions will be started at the Fukushima Baseball Stadium with softball at 9.00 a.m. local time of 21st July 2021, two days prior to the Opening Ceremony.

The preliminary football matches will start on the same day, with the preliminary stages of the rowing and the archery ranking rounds to be held on 23rd July, the official starting date of the five-circle event.

The first medal will be assigned in women's 10-metre compressed air rifle shooting, on the following day (with the final planned to start at 8.30 a.m. local time).

The prizes will be given also for six other sports on 24th July: archery, road cycling, fencing, judo, taekwondo and weight-lifting, for a total of 11 medal-earning events.

Urban sports will also be starting on that day, providing exciting novelties for Tokyo 2020, with 3 x 3 basketball for men and women.

Street skateboarding, on the other hand, will start on 25th and 26th July.

This will be followed by the BMX Freestyle Park events (31st July and 1st August), skateboarding (park) scheduled for 4th and 5th August and free climbing from 3rd to 6th August.

Fans from all over the world will then concentrate on the "Super Saturday" and "Golden Sunday", on 31st July and 1st August, on which days an exciting series of medal-earning events will take place.

21 medals will be assigned on the Super Saturday, including those events appearing at the Games for the first time such



as the Mixed Judo Team event, the Triathlon relay and the Mixed Trap Team, which will make Tokyo 2020 the first Olympic Games in history in which gender equality will be complied with in the total number of athletes.

On the same day the men's football quarter-finals will be played, at four different places in Japan.

On Golden Sunday, on the other hand, 25 gold medals will be assigned, including the men's 100-metre athletic competition, the men's and women's gymnastics finals and the finals of male's single tennis. Golden Sunday will also be the last day for the fencing and swimming competitions, with five finals to be played.

The second part of the Games, that will start on 30th July, will, instead, see the semi-finals and finals of wrestling, karate and other team events, as well as the athletics events that will be held at the Olympic Stadium, the main venue of the Japanese Games.

The athletics finals will be held in all the sessions, with the exception of 30th and 31st July, on which days they will take place on mornings only. The men's and women's 4x100 relays will take place on 6th August in the evening.

The second "Super Saturday" is scheduled for Saturday 7th August, on the eve of the Closing Ceremony, and will envisage not less than 34 medal-earning events, this being the highest number assigned on a single day in Tokyo 2020. Among these will be the basket-ball, football and men's volleyball finals, the women's marathon, the baseball finals, the individual all-around rhythmic gymnastics and the free routine synchronised swimming teams. The closing day, on the other hand, will start with the men's marathon, scheduled to take place in Sapporo, and will end with the men's water-polo finals due to start at 4.30 p.m.

The prize-giving for the women's marathon will be held for the first time ever with five circles, during the closing ceremony, together with the men's competition, reiterating the equality between sexes for athletes and making this edition of the Games really memorable.



# Between new sports and technologies Defending ethical and moral values

## *Panathlon International, too, attended the start-up of the Pontifical Sports Association in 2016*

Sport For Humanity, the global multi-faith and sport movement inspired by His Holiness Pope Francis, today announced a strategic Global Partnership with Vie, Inc. ([www.VieforGood.com](http://www.VieforGood.com)) -- a new sports and entertainment philanthropy company that integrates proprietary technology, social competition and collaborative fundraising to benefit not-for-profit organizations (NPOs) worldwide.

Sport at the Service of Humanity was launched at the Vatican in October 2016 by the Pope, who inspired the movement with his words: "Challenge yourself in the game of life, as you do in the game of sport." Sport for Humanity combines the passion for sport with the values of faith to serve humanity and inspire everyone to "live like you play."

At the time of launching "Sport for Humanity", in 2016 in Vatican City, Panathlon International also took part as a guest with its Past President Giacomo Santini, who stressed how the safeguarding of the ethical and moral values of sport constitute the statutory commitment of the panathletic movement everywhere in the world.

"As our world faces unprecedented challenges, Sport for Humanity continues its commitment to using the power of faith and sport to transform our attitudes and actions - now, more than ever," said Monsignor Melchor Sanchez de Toca, Under-Secretary of the Pontifical Council for Culture. "This work is important, and we rely on our Partners and Patrons to provide muchneeded oxygen to fuel our work of facilitating dialogue; encouraging inclusion and involvement for all and inspiring humanity through the values we represent - compassion, respect, love, enlightenment, balance and joy."

"It gives me great pleasure to welcome Vie Inc. as a Sport for Humanity Global Partner," announced Mr. Chris Lang, Sport for Humanity Foundation Chairman. "Vie's technology will provide our organization with the required funding and technology resources that are vital to the growth and long-term sustainability of the movement. I am also honoured to welcome Ms. Molly Sanders and Mr. Steven Schwartz as Global Patrons representing Vie, and wholeheartedly thank them for their generosity and commitment. Vie's unique technology IP and donation engine platform allows people anywhere in the world, of all ages and skill levels, to:

teams, by posting their scores/times/voting/challenge results and win prizes. Millions can compete simultaneously -- live and virtually -- in Vie's global fundraising events, such as the 2021 Vie World Golf and Charity Championship™.

- Designate one or more NPOs to Vie for, and donate funds to support them using Vie's donation engine, which features automated corporate, foundation and sponsor matching.

- Capture pictures or video content, and share it on their social media platforms. To activate this partnership, Sport for Humanity and Vie are jointly developing customized B2B marketing, sponsor and CSR programs, as well as, global B2C Vie player campaigns, challenges and conferences powered by Vie, to support Sport for Humanity, its constituents, youth sport and social change initiatives.

"We are honoured to support Sport for Humanity as our first charitable partner, and the foundation upon which we build the global Vie brand," said Vie Co-Founder and CEO Steven Schwartz. "We're excited to team up to raise critical funding for NPOs worldwide and the millions in need they serve."

As Vie launches to revolutionize giving for NPOs, corporate CSR and marketing leaders, and tens of millions of sports, fitness and entertainment fans vying for good worldwide, the possibilities are endless."

"We believe that Sport for Humanity and Vie's partnership is a match made in heaven," shared Global Patron and Vie Co-Founder Molly Sanders. "We are excited to be part of this global movement using the power of faith and sport for good."

- Play or compete live or virtually in their favorite sport, fitness or entertainment activities, individually or in

# Here are the three clubs that have won the communication prizes

On the eve of the General Assembly of Osimo, during the course of an informal get-together, the communication prizes were handed over to the three clubs that had won in their respective categories: Printed Matter, Social and Internet and Radio and Television. This was a way to recognise the commitment of the clubs that gave the best value to their activity with information at a professional level.

The communication prize is named after Enrique Nicolini, the unforgotten pioneer of Panathlon in Brazil and South America and a great sports journalist.

The proposals received for possible candidates were evaluated by the committee consisting of the Past President and Head of Communication Giacomo Santini and the International Councillors Lorenzo Branzoni and Ernst Denoth.

This is how the prizes were assigned and the underlying reasons:

## • INTERNET/SOCIAL Panathlon Club Como (Italy)

Many clubs use social networks for their communications. Some are able to put on line genuine papers, generally on a monthly basis. The 2020 prize for this category goes to the publication taken care of by the Como Club, in which the needs for information on the club's activity is harmonized perfectly with the offer of dossiers of a historic, cultural and scientific nature.

Precious, in particular, are the reference to the person of Antonio Spallino, and the ethical and moral heritage left by him, who for many years was International President and mayor of the city. Distinctive and precious aspects for the choice made by the judging committee were the innovative format and the original paging of the on-line magazine.

## • PRINTED MATTER AND PAPER MEANS Panathlon Club of Solothurn (Switzerland)

"Making news", in Journalistic slang means being capable of doing something that attracts the interest of journalistic sources, with no need for any particular pushes. In 25 years of activity the Swiss Club of SOLOTHURN has been able continuously to "make news" thanks to the original nature of its activities, always reported with great evidence by the press.

For example, the collection of second-hand with which to finance sports projects for the young and the disabled; the "holiday pass" which for years has been involving 1000 youngsters aged between 7 and 14, whether disabled or able-bodied, who can engage in 30 different sports, in the spirit of the values of Panathlon. The amount of paperwork documenting these successes was imposing.

## • TV/RADIO Panathlon Club Wallonie- Bruxelles (Belgium)

Finding a way into the planning of the radio and television broadcasters to give prominence to Panathlon is certainly not easy. It is necessary to propose issues of great importance and of general interest, through which to make the panathletic values stand out- The Wallonie Bruxelles Club has been managing to do so for years, thanks to the ambitious activities it manages, capable of involving top-level local political and administrative activities, leading to the inevitable mobilising of all the press, and in particular radio and television, thanks to the great spectacular nature of certain project. For example, the Fair-Play Day becomes a "kermesse" that mobilises thousands of people in hundreds of events; many roads, sports halls, public gardens, schools and recreation centres are named after Panathlon.





# Henrique, a presence that is still alive

*The Communication Prize is named after Henrique Nicolini, the forgotten pioneer of Panathlon in South America. A great journalist and a great idealist, he knew how to show the way to reach results in sport along the moral line of Panathlon.*

*Here is a reminder of him signed by the Pierre Zappelli, International Chairman of Panathlon.*

I have accepted with pleasure the invitation you sent me to commemorate together the person who can be called the father founder of the Panathlete movement in South America, that is to say Henrique Nicolini.

A tribute to someone we all remember with affection and nostalgia, who died in 2017 together with other honorary members of the PI, Antonio Spallino and Jean Presset. It was in 1974 that Nicolini came into contact with Panathlon International, of which he grasped immediately the ideals and the cultural message.

It happened between November 1973 and August 1974, when the enthusiasm for the creation of the first South American Club, in Buenos Aires, also excited Uruguay, Perú, Chile, Mexico and the State of Sao Paulo in Brazil. After founding the Sao Paulo Club and filling the office of Governor, Nicolini became Central Councillor of PI for the four-year period 1988/92, then, in the subsequent period (1992-96) he became Vice President.

During this period he came into contact and was in co-operation with other characters and with Panathlon presidents who have left a mark in the history of our movement. These were eight rich years for the Association and Nicolini was always among the leading players.

Among the initiatives that his genuine panathletic spirit enabled him to implement there was the Communication Prize.

Henrique was particularly sensitive with regard to this issue.

Getting Panathlon known abroad and recognising the merits of the busiest clubs, was of fundamental importance for him. This also applies to his idea of creating the Bosque da Fama, a public park in his city of Sao Paulo, where each year distinguished athletes who have honoured Brazilian sport by planting a tree, together with which a totem bearing the story of that champion and that sport is raised. He had also been Chairman of the jury of the International Graphic Art Competition of the PI Domenico Chiesa Foundation. He had been closely tied to him by deep esteem and friendship.

Henrique had a long and intense life, committed to the defence and circulation of sport and its cultural values. We would need far more space to provide even only a rough sketch of his path.

I remember personally the encounter we had at the Olympic Games of Rio de Janeiro in 2016.

I was very happy to visit him in the office he had organised in Sao Paulo for Panathlon and he welcomed me very warmly.

It was a pleasant meeting during which I was struck by his attachment to Panathlon, by his generosity and by his catching optimism.

Today we are left with a beautiful memory.

His works and his example will continue to live on in Panathlon for many years and today's meeting is proof of this.



**ENCUENTRO VIRTUAL  
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Distrito Brasil**

Fecha : 30 de setiembre 2020  
Hora 19.00 . Argentina, Brasil , Uruguay y Chile

\*Reconocimiento a Henrique Nicolini  
Expone: Georgio Stylianos Hatzidakis -Past Presidente Club San Pablo.  
\*Panathlon Brasil y el Deporte Comunitario.  
Expone: Prof. Pedro Roberto Pereira de Souza - Presidente Distrito Brasil



# Happy birthday in spite of the virus

*An excursion into our history to celebrate after some delay  
a virtual "Panathlon Day"*

by Francesco Schilliró

Bon anniversaire, Happy birthday, feliz cumpleaños

This pandemic, of which we are perhaps approaching the end, has not allowed the Clubs to which we belong to celebrate the "Panathlon Day" wanted by President Pierre Zappelli in order to honour the "birthday" of our Association. I felt that since it could not be possible to talk of programmes developed ad hoc by the Clubs for the "birthday", it could be useful to hold a "refreshment" on the subject of our origins, also to remember our "father founders".

Our history as an association started from the idea of sport-loving Rotary members who met in Venice, and who, with a founding deed dated 12th June 1951, gave rise, at the CONI headquarters at San Fantin della Veste n° 2004 at 21.30 o'clock, to the "Disnar Sport" Club.

The promoting committee consisted of: Guido Brandolini D'Adda, Domenico Chiesa, Aristide Coin, Aldo Colussi, Antenore Marini, Costantino Masotta and Mario Viali.

Viali, the true founder of this vision of his of a Club inspired ideologically by de Coubertin's principles and organised according to the Rotary model, having the aim of sports and cultural purposes, was able, on that evening, to bring together 24 founder members.

Mr Domenico Chiesa, at the time a board member of the Italian Football Federation and counsellor and secretary of the Rotary Club of Venice, became a close co-operator and counsellor of Viali.

The influence of the Rotary was great, to start with, and indeed the name "Panathlon", coined by Count Lodovico Foscari, was added to with the words: "Sportsmen's Rotary".

In 1953, other Clubs having been opened in Italy, this definition, could have given rise to a loss of specificity so that one year later Chiesa was the promoter of the elimination of the "improper" part.

Then, due to the intuition of Count Foscari, it was replaced by "Ludis lungit".

By then our movement was gaining ground and in 1960, with the opening of Clubs abroad, it became "Panathlon International".

A lot of road has been passed with this constant growth, based on our principles in Sport.

I am convinced that unlike other service Clubs, we have a far greater possibility to grow, but we must never let our tension grow loose and we must make sure that our Association always continues to spread "hyperactively".

In addition to Panathlon International's institutional magazine, we have the on-line Panathlon Planet magazine that we can define a daily publication, thanks to the commitment of the head Massimo Rosa and our own (as panathlete journalists) and the continuous stimulation of the international President Pierre Zappelli and the President of the Italian District Giorgio Costa.

The lockdown has not stopped the activity of the Panathlon Club, but simply transformed it; using platforms on line it has offered everyone the possibility of taking part in meetings with exchanges of ideas and of considerations on the topics dealt with.

Light up, Panathlon

# Three international managers coming from the same club

*For twenty years or so Hans Zinsli, René Hefti and Ernst Denoth have filled the roles of international counsellor and treasurer*

by Norbert Wager



*René Hefti, Hans Zinsli and Ernst Denoth (from the left) have each been members of the International Council of Panathlon International, and Hefti was also Treasurer for twelve years.*

The Panathlon Movement – this term refers to all the different sports together – was created in Italy in the post-war years. It was founded in 1951 in Venice and is now based in Rapallo.

Its founder fathers wished to promote the ethical and cultural aspects and to deepen knowledge and to spread and safeguard the values of sport. In 1979 the Panathlon Club of "Chur und Umgebung" was founded. Its first chairman was Stefan Bühler, head of the Sports Department of the Grisons area of the time. «At our founding meeting we had great intentions and visions; we wanted to improve the world of sport, to keep doping under control, to bring people together thanks to sport, to strengthen their characters and to facilitate overall their training», remembered the founding member René Hefti, representative of the category of sports journalism. Now the Chur und Umgebung Panathlon Club has 72 members coming from 31 different sports – of these, seven are women.

In order to promote and propagate the ideals of sport, the members of the Club undertook engagements also at international and district level, both as «godfathers» of the Panathlon Club of the Fürstentum of Liechtenstein, but above all accepting offices at international level.

## **New momentum is required**

This year, with the end of the four-year period of office of Ernst Denoth (75), representative of the category of sports journalist, President of the Club from 2008 to 2010 and International Counsellor, an age comes to an end. For two decades the Chur und Umgebung PC has been represented without a break in the Panathlon International bodies. For a total of 16 years, initially as treasurer of the Swiss district (2001–2008), and then as Treasurer of Panathlon International (2004–2012) and member of the International Council (2013–2016), René Hefti (80) of Valbella was occupied directly. What is more, he had had the office of chairman of the PC of Chur from 2004 to 2008.

After eight years of chairmanship of the Club (1992-1996), Hans Zinsli (85) di Chur, too, representative for tennis, placed himself at disposal for a voluntary activity at international level and in 2004 was elected in the International Council.

At the end of that period, met in the framework of the July encounter with the deputy head editor of «Bündner Tagblatt». Having been a cycle-ball player, since 1987 he had been representing the activity of cycling in the Chur PC. The aim was to draw up a balance of their activity and

question themselves crucially about the state of the Panathlete movement. «It is certainly nice to meet once a month at a meeting during which mainly sports-related topics are talked about friendship is cared for, but it is equally important for Panathlon to develop new ideas and set new targets», said René Hefti. «Because nowadays many of the aims of that time, for example the fight against doping, are pursued by other organisations in a far more professional manner. His personal activity as an international counselor to introduce a discussion in principle on the future, at the time of the 70th anniversary of the Panathlete movement, met with consent in the International Council and in the administration, but then a follow-up centred on a special congress on this topic did not take place. «Structurally, we were able to achieve some improvements, and as treasurer I also managed to adopt some measures aimed at savings, to keep under control the finances that were at a standstill due to aging. My hope to hold a sensible discussion on the future and to obtain in that way a new start unfortunately did not come true», said René Hefti in a self-critical spirit.

Hans Zinsli had already had to see how difficult it was to be listened to in an international organisation, when in the institution featuring a strong Italian spirit he fought to introduce English and French as official languages alongside the Italian. «Yet another effort was then necessary to make the statute be understood also by the German-speaking members, recalled Hans Zinsli, who however does define his cooperation with the then President Enrico Prandi and with the international Council members as both excellent and efficient. He had therefore experienced the trips to Rapallo, to Malpensa and into Belgium as fruitful and effective.

In particular he still remembers the Congress held in Lima, in one of the areas of expansion of the Panathlete movement in South America. Communication is an important tool, not only inside the Club but also in public, and Panathlon is still not a very well known sports topic, even after 70 years. Ernst Denoth of Felsberg being an expert journalist, furbished and eloquent on TV and on the radio, saw in this environment a field of action suitable for him as a member of the International Council.

With his commitment for equality of the information supplied in German to the German-language Clubs, he was able to develop better understanding in those Clubs that were rather critical towards the central office. Now the newsletters are translated into German and distributed by e-mail, and the Panathlon International magazine is not only put on line but also sent by printed mail in the appropriate mother tongue. During his period in office, Denoth also managed to carry out a reform for the various Communication Prizes – the Chur PC obtained this recognition twice.

“In the past a high number of honours were assigned, named after various characters of the world of sport. At the proposal of our Commission, these have been reduced to three categories.”

During the Congress held in Florence, for the first time prizes were granted, in a solemn framework, for the categories TV/Radio, Press and Printed Matter, as well as Internet and Social Media Prizes.

How important it is to be introduced into the public environment in connection with sport has been shown by the Chur PC. With the construction of a Well-being Path – a route marked along the embankment of the Rhine, created together with the Chur Rotary Club – and in particular with the concurrent Impulse Project – the Panathletes were able to be present in the media all the time. This Project brought alive hundreds of students, making them perform a sports activity on a regular basis and made it possible for them to take part free of charge – as they were backed – in the Silvesterlauf race in Zurich.

Under the new chairmanship of Christoph Schmid and the auspices of Thierry Jeanneret, Manager of the Sport Section of the Canton Grisons, in this period a working group is organising a new project.

The design of a project with the title “KlassenschlaGR” is being planned for schools, in which all sorts of different skills and capacities in the different school classes are required.

This new competition brings together many of the values written on the Panathlon flag and is the proof that the Panathlete movement is as alive as ever in the Grisons area.

### ***The Presidents of the Chur PC***

Since its foundation on 8th February 1979, twelve chairmen and one chairwoman have presided over the Panathlon Club of Chur und Umgebung.

From this year, Christoph Schmid (63), sports trainer of Swiss Olympic and, in the Chur PC, representative of the category of sports journalists, heads the 170th Panathlon International Club, which belongs to the Switzerland and Fürstentum Liechtenstein District. (NW)

Since 1979–1982 Stefan Bühler, 1982–1984 Fritz Andres †, 1984–1988 Heinz Näf, 1988–1990 Hans Ulrich Weideli †, 1990–1992 Gubert Luck, 1992–1996 Hans Zinsli, 1996–2000 Anton Giovanoli, 2000–2004 Ernst Rageth †, 2004–2008 René Hefti, 2008–2010 Ernst Denoth, 2010–2016 Claudia Bundi, 2016–2020, Leo Jeker, 2020– Christoph Schmid have busied themselves at international level for the Panathlete movement



# Starting off again with golf

After the pause it had to undergo due to the pandemic, the Modena Panathlon Club has restarted its activity, with the Italian Golf Championship for Panathlon Members, which has now seen its fourteenth edition taking place, once again on the beautiful fields of the Modena Golf & Country Club.

This edition featured important numbers, as recalled by Maria Carafoli, president of the Modena Panathlon Club, with over 150 members, of whom 60 in the Under 18 competition alone, the Panathlon 2020 "Teodoro Soldati Circuit" trophy that together with the 14th Modena Panathlon Trophy completed the day's programme.

The prize-giving was attended by the Councillor for the Historic Centre of Modena Andrea Bosi, the new governor of Area 5 (Emilia Romagna and Marche) of Panathlon International, Mr Lucio Montone and the head of the Modena Golf & Country Club Davide Colombarini.

The latter expressed the greetings of the chairman Alberto Caselli and the deputy chairman of the Modena Panathlon Club Gianfranco Giovanardi, while for BPER Banca, partner of the event, Marcello Bellelli and Emilio Annovi, former BPER manager and secretary of the Modena Panathlon Club were both present.

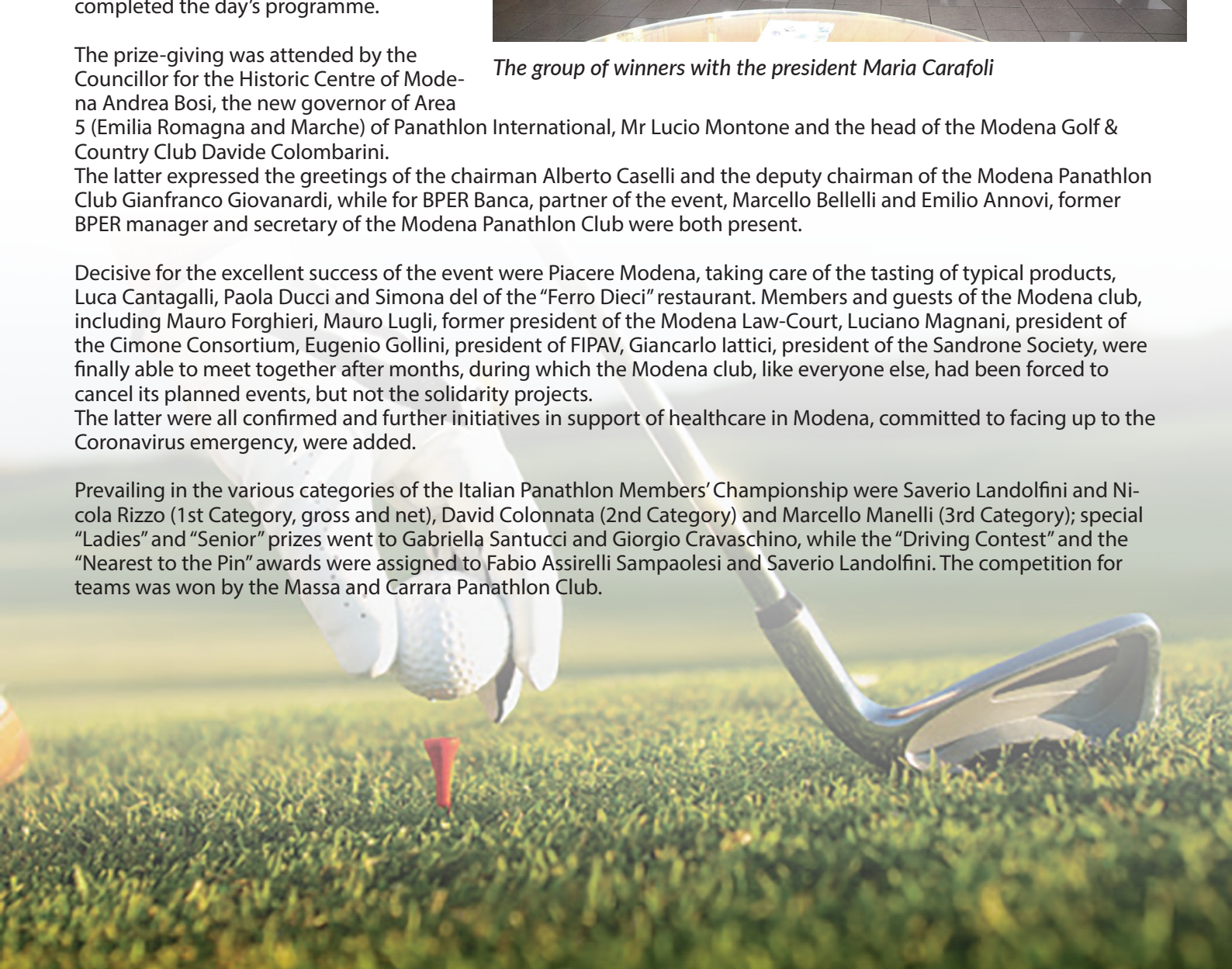
Decisive for the excellent success of the event were Piacere Modena, taking care of the tasting of typical products, Luca Cantagalli, Paola Ducci and Simona del of the "Ferro Dieci" restaurant. Members and guests of the Modena club, including Mauro Forghieri, Mauro Lugli, former president of the Modena Law-Court, Luciano Magnani, president of the Cimone Consortium, Eugenio Gollini, president of FIPAV, Giancarlo Iattici, president of the Sandrone Society, were finally able to meet together after months, during which the Modena club, like everyone else, had been forced to cancel its planned events, but not the solidarity projects.

The latter were all confirmed and further initiatives in support of healthcare in Modena, committed to facing up to the Coronavirus emergency, were added.

Prevailing in the various categories of the Italian Panathlon Members' Championship were Saverio Landolfini and Nicola Rizzo (1st Category, gross and net), David Colonnata (2nd Category) and Marcello Manelli (3rd Category); special "Ladies" and "Senior" prizes went to Gabriella Santucci and Giorgio Cravaschino, while the "Driving Contest" and the "Nearest to the Pin" awards were assigned to Fabio Assirelli Sampaolesi and Saverio Landolfini. The competition for teams was won by the Massa and Carrara Panathlon Club.



*The group of winners with the president Maria Carafoli*



# Panathlon's contribution to the European Sports Charter

Panathlon was to have attended, with its International President, a meeting of sports ministers belonging to the APES programme, as had been carried out in the past on several occasions. The new pandemic wave induced the organisers of the Council of Europe to replace the full meeting with some thematic webinars.

One of them concerned the formulating of a European Sports Charter and President Zappelli contributed with the report we are publishing here: «Panathlon International belongs to the Olympic family and pursues the aim of circulating the sports-related ideal and its moral and cultural values, as a tool of elevation and improvement of the person and of solidarity among persons and peoples.

Founded in 1951, it operates for spreading a concept of sport inspired by ethics, responsibility, solidarity and fair play, through targeted action aimed at young people.

During the course of the various meetings held in Strasbourg in September 2020 and of the webinar held in July 2020 and through participation in the on-line questionnaire, I had the opportunity to stress, in the name of the PI, the need to include in the Charter a precise and more targeted reference to ethics in sport.

After reading the last revision draft of the Charter, the topic being discussed today, I wish to congratulate, on behalf of Panathlon International, the authors of the new version of the Charter. Indeed, they have transposed in the text the problem of ethics, broadly and in depth, starting already from Article 1 and, with all sorts of details, in Articles 7, 8 and 10.

This is an important choice, at least as much as speaking about integrity, equal opportunity, education and training of the trainers who have the task, among other things, of transmitting the principles and the values linked closely to the development of sport.

It was also important to involve all the parties who take part in the education of the young, in particular their parents. Panathlon International has drafted a Statement on the ethics of young people in sport and a Charter of the Role of parents in Sport. They are at the disposal of Member States of the Council of Europe wishing to use them. Lastly, I take the liberty of pointing out a possible improvement that could be made to Article 1, point b, of the draft being discussed.

It says that sports activities contribute towards strengthening the conduct and the ethics of those who practice sport; in our opinion, after the words "sports activities", the words "through an appropriate education" could be added, redrafting the sentence as follows: "Sports activities,

alongside an appropriate education, contribute towards strengthening the conduct and the ethical behaviour of those who practice sport".

Indeed, if sports activities are not maintained by an appropriate education, they are not sufficient to guarantee an ethical conduct.

Apart from this, no comments are necessary, except to stress that the text seems to us to incorporate every aspect of sport.

Last comment: it would be possible to mention some concrete examples of implementation of the principles indicated in the articles on compliance with ethics, perhaps in Article 20 (end provisions) of the Charter or in an attachment. I was thinking in particular, of the circulation, alongside the actual Charter, of some principles referred to in more specific texts, for example in the documents drafted by our Movement, Panathlon International, or the honours assigned by the authorities to people who have distinguished themselves in the fields of fair play, of the organisation of meetings between top athletes and the young, the presence of a contact person with experience on the subject of ethics at the time of sports events and, in general, any action of promotion of sport-related ideals.»





# THE WORLD FAIR-PLAY DAY

In the very heart of Brussels, the first World Fair Play Day was celebrated in the Gothic Room of the City Hall.

It was organised admirably by the Panathlon Club of Wallonie-Bruxelles, and the top Belgian authorities were present, greeting this day with enthusiasm and with the desire that it could become a reference point at world level and in the media for evaluating ethical actions and correct behaviour in sports competitions.

Present for Panathlon International was the Secretary General Simona Callo, who greeted everyone present as follows: "With great pleasure I am here to represent the President Pierre Zappelli and Panathlon International in this magnificent venue.

We are here to promote an event that I would call epoch-making, marking the will of the three largest international organisations having to do with Fair Play, to give life to a World Day: from today onwards, the date of 7th September will be a reference for all sportspeople and not only, so as to recall, re-assert and promote the values of ethics and Fair Play, of which we are convinced supporters and advocates.

This will is made even more particular by the Covid-19 Health crisis, that has not stopped us and sees us together here in order to start a new path, to strengthen our co-operation and to contribute, through the common language of Fair Play, towards improving the society in which we live."

I am therefore happy to be able to forward to you the message that the International President of Panathlon International has wanted to devote to this event.



*The delegates of the various organisations meeting to celebrate the World Fair Play Day in Brussels (photo by Igor Pliner)*



## Message from the International President Pierre Zappelli

Today we are celebrating Fair Play, the Spanish Juego Limpido, the Canadian Franc Jeu.

But what exactly are we celebrating?

Acting with Fair Play means being fair, being correct; it means behaving with loyalty, honesty and altruism, in sport as in life.

The idea is not a new one. Honesty and correctness were already two distinctive features of those who, in the 17th and 18th centuries were called "gentlemen". A gentleman was someone who gave proof of having a noble soul and behaviour.

But let us go back to Fair Play in sport.

Why is Fair Play essential in sport?

It is true that, often, sport exasperates passions. The will to win and the fascination of a reward for a sportsman and the exasperated nationalism for the spectator often induce behaviour that is very far from Fair Play. Nobody likes losing a match, a meeting.

The temptation to take advantage of the difficulties of one's opponent or of pretending not to see an error in our favour by the referee can be strong.

Gestures of fair play at the expense of one's own result, the choice to report a lapse in judgement or to stop in order to help an opponent pushed down unfairly by a spectator are rare occurrences and definitely deserve to be judged valuable.

These primary features of sport make acting with Fair Play in a sports environment even more difficult, and therefore more commendable, than in life in general.

It is education, first and foremost, that teaches us to give proof of Fair Play.

Education on this aspect is often non-existent or to say the least insufficient.

Our aim, the aim of the Sports Organisations present today will therefore be to try to fill this gap.

To promote Fair Play, to stimulate us to behave according to the principles of Fair Play, what can be better than highlighting the glorious pages, the exemplary gestures worthy of admiration?

It is towards this that the actions of our three organisations, the International Fair Play Committee, the European Fair Play Movement and Panathlon International, tend permanently.

Each of them works to promote Fair Play in its own specific ways.

For Panathlon International, the spreading and illustration of the ethical values of sport, above all Fair Play, are achieved through organising events that highlight Fair Play gestures. They are also achieved through a visible presence, active and militant at the time of sports events of great importance.

In addition to the actions undertaken by the management bodies of our Movement, there are also and above all the roughly 300 Panathlon International Clubs, scattered throughout four continents, that perform directly this task of education, registered in the Olympic Charter, through conferences, with the circulation of the Fair Play Charter, the Charter of Children's Rights and of the duties of parents in sport, as well as through events involving sportspeople and their families.

Thank you, everyone, for being present, either in person or virtually, to celebrate this exceptional Day.

The Wallonie Bruxelles Club of Panathlon International is among the most active promoters of Fair Play within our Movement.

I wish to thank with all my heart the Wallonie Bruxelles Panathlon Club for having taken the initiative to create and organise this World Day, with the skill for which it is distinguished, in the presence of three of the greatest international organisations committed to the defence and promotion of Fair Play."



# At the classical “Giro di Lombardia” without public but with feeling

by Renata Soliani

“Lombardia 2020”, the classical “dead leaves” bicycle race was an extraordinary event because of the date on which it was held, i.e. 15th August, and due to the surreal lack of public forced on us by the anti-Covid rules.

Paolo Frigerio, a member of Panathlon Como and President of CentoCantù, cc Canturino and of the local organising committee of LOMBARDIA, had reiterated several times the importance of giving a signal of recovery for leaving behind the difficult situation caused by the pandemic. Starting the “Giro di Lombardia” and being able, like every year, to take advantage of worldwide broadcasting, enjoying the beauties of Lake Como, would have made everyone brave. In strict compliance with the safety rules relating both to the personnel and to the public.

The exceptional nature of the event gave rise to an extra surprise. Thanks to the cooperation between Panathlon Como, CentoCantù and cc Canturino, a splendid celebration shirt was designed, the colours of which (on the basis of yellow and green) referred to Panathlon, the Lombardy Region and the local area. There was great emotional participation on the part of everyone believing in sport and of the panathletes, who noticed the logo of their Club in good view. Putting the shirts on directly in television was a patrol of hand-bikers and people from the world of disabilities, on the saddles of their bikes.

They had accepted Panathlon’s invitation and gathered round the generous woman’s world hand-bike champion, Roberta Amadeo, a surprising example of a sportswoman with a great strength and an extraordinary character, and who knows very well the meaning of the words “starting again”. An athlete from Como in the national team and member of the Bee and Bike Team of Bregnano, winner of the Fair Play prize at the 2019 promotional event of Como, she did her very best to ensure her own presence and that of the other hand-bikers and bikers able to ensure visibility to this activity of theirs, confirming the commitment and the ability to do more and more all the time. In an interview with the local network CiaoComo, during the presentation press conference, Roberta Amadeo’s words were

the following: “It is true, this “Lombardia” without any public is strange, but here it is. It is beautiful that before the arrival of the “Giro di Lombardia” we can see in world vision this sport of ours, that is really spectacular and is not dangerous at all, as some want to believe, no more dangerous than the others because one must always use one’s head, to ride either a bicycle or a hand-bike or to climb a mountain”. On various occasions, and also during the 2019 Panathlon Fair Play Day, we heard her say: “In spite of the difficulties I always want to continue because I love living on memories, not on regrets”.

At the end of the race Paolo Frigerio gave a further surprise to everyone: a present consisting of his photograph with the winner of the Lombardia Jakob Fuglsang while they show the celebration shirt with the Panathlon logo. A fundamental contribution towards implementing the idea was the double painstaking work of Edoardo Ceriani, President of Panathlon Como. He was always in contact with the Club’s Paralympic, disability and inclusion Sports Committee and never failed to attend the meetings of the local Organising Committee of the Lombardy Region. The synergy of so many passionate followers enabled the dream to come through and the great visibility of Panathlon Como, which was able to show just what sustainability and inclusion mean. The organisation had the merit of managing to perform the umpteenth miracle made in Como.





# China is ready for the Winter Paralympic Games

*The facilities are almost completed and a powerful anti-Covid plan is envisaged*

Sport, at a global level, struck by the COVID-19 pandemic, has made China optimistic with regard to the possibility of hosting successfully the Winter Paralympic Games in 2022. On the first of the four days of briefing with the press of the virtual world, Zhang Jiandong, Executive Deputy Chairman of the Peking 2022 Organising Committee has ensured full commitment on his part and that of his team for ensuring that the Games will be safe and memorable.

*"We have full confidence in our readiness for the Games, in spite of the challenges due to the Corona virus and we are confident that we will provide complete, efficient and convenient services for everyone, including the media. I look forward with impatience to your continuous support and cooperation, so as to be able to perform a better job in preparing the Games. We will work together to offer Games of success for the world in 2022", said Zhiang.*

*"Construction of the premises and of the infrastructures is being programmed and will be completed within the end of this year. Peking remains ready to cooperate with the main organisations for the best ways to follow for covering and controlling COVID-19 during the Games", added Zhang.*

The on-line briefing concerned 15 functional areas and will include, among other things, the construction of operational facilities, operations on the media, sport, recording, housing and technology. Over 400 representatives of the International Olympic Committee (IOC), of the International Paralympic Committee (IPC), of the National Olympic Committees (NOCs), of the International Federations (ICs) and of the world media are attention the sessions of the on-c-line conferences.

The Winter Paralympic Games will take place from **4th to 13th March 2022**. The competitions will take place in the centre of **Peking**, in the district of Yanqing to the north-west of the capital and in Zhangjiakou, in the province of Hebei.





# In the so-called “derby” of the heart and smile, the same number of goals but everyone wins

They call it the “heartfelt” derby and indeed the hearts of many were beating hard on Saturday, 12th September. Those of the 28 athletes present at the match were beating hard, and those of their parents who were definitely excited, not to mention those of all the technical staff of BIC Genova, and certainly those of the many guests present at the event.

It was an important event organised thanks to the cooperation of 3 large groups: the Genova Levante Panathlon Club that has reached its 17th edition, BIC Genova and Stelle Nello Sport, in the splendid framework of the Oratorio Don Bosco grounds of Genoa Quarto. It was a machine that ran perfectly under the management of the Chairman of BIC Genova Marco Barbagelata and of the D.S. Giulio Attardi. The access points outfitted for checking temperatures and self-certification documents were taken care of by Sara Tarantini and Ilaria Fiorello; all the management of the athletes in the changing rooms was entrusted to Jacopo Napoli while the technical management of the teams was taken care of with great skill by the technicians Luca Montecucco, Giovanni Magnino, Marcello Riolfi and Andrea Bianchi representing the Genoa c.f.c., that once again this year will continue its great adventure with BIC - Genoa For Special.

For management of the competition, as in real “Serie A” matches, there were three referees plus a “fourth man” at Var. The former international referee Graziano Cesari, whose face is well known in television, added value to the event by managing the match right through to the end, helped by the constantly present Salvatore Giordano, who has a history of 40 years of arbitration, and Cecchini and Catania. The manager in charge of the referees was Mario Attardi, together with the Sampdoria manager Roberto Lombardozzi and Giuseppe Rosafio, the man representing the “Oratorio Don Bosco” facility, contributed towards ensuring that all the athletes, parents and public present could enjoy the show.

The timing of the event was well managed by Matteo Sacco who, with his microphone, presented the guests and the authorities, guiding at the same time the RAI television team in the interviews for the service broadcast by the Regional TV News.



For the opening ceremony, the following took turns at the centre of the field: Giorgio Migone of Panathlon Genova Levante and “father” of the event, together with Guido Angelini, Franco Gromi and Guido D’argenio, Giorgio Costa. President of Panathlon Italia and Germano Tabaroni, Governor of Area IV Liguria. They were followed by the Rt. Hon. Luca Pastorino, Michele Corti of Stelle Nello Sport who in addition to the formal greetings prepared in record time photos, videos and interviews, broadcast immediately on the social channels of LiguriaSport and YouTube, Giorgio Primiceriod, the new Team Manager of BIC Genova who introduced his friend the former international referee Graziano Cesari, the artist and Sampdoria fan Aldo De Scalzi and the Police Commissioner (“questore”) of Genova Vincenzo Ciarambino. To end the activity there was the president of BIC Genova Marco Barbagelata, who introduced the new sports season and thanked everyone present at the event, from the representative of the FIGC dcps Francesco Guzzardi, Fabio Gallo of the FIGC, women’s sector, Adriano Bianchi of the CSI but, above all, the many parents.

The match ended with a score of 5 to 5, showing excellent individual playing and good playing patterns. An absolute novelty was the arrival on the field of five girls, who this year will form the BIC’s new female group. Things thus came to an end with an old-fashioned penalty kick, and with prizes given out for each player, taken care of directly by Panathlon with a medal, a backpack and gadgets and also the much waited for refreshment with “focaccia” offered by Francesca Del Deo.

# The novel on Italy-Brazil match wins the Bancarella Sport prize

With 136 preferences, 8 more than earned by the writer coming second, Piero Trellini is the Winner of the 2020 edition of the Bancarella Sport award.

*"La partita - The novel on the Italy against Brazil match"* published by Mondadori, received the approval of the independent book-sellers registered with the two associations Unione dei Librai Pontremolesi and Unione delle Bancarelle, in addition to that of the Personalità dello Sport and of the Panathletes called upon to express their votes, in this particular edition held specifically in the Covid era.

In front of a limited audience, positioned safely according to the applicable provisions but in any case no less involved and interested, Sara Rivieri, the Notary in charge of the Competition, read the 194 cards received in the last few weeks, decreeing that the book classed as first was the one centred on one of the most memorable quarterfinals ever played by the Italian national football team.

Coming second was *"Il tennis l'ha inventato il diavolo"* (Tennis was invented by the devil) by Adriano Panatta with Daniele Azzolini, with 128 votes. Third came Luca Farinotti with *"Volevo solo nuotare (200,000 bracciate con Rachele Bruni)"*. Following were Alessandro Alciato, author of *"Non pettinavamo mica le bambole"*; Andrea Maietti with *"Gioann-brerafucarlo. Gianni Brera secondo me"*, and lastly *"Ricky Albertosi. Romanzo popolare di un portiere"* written jointly by the members of the Comitato Soriano and represented in Pontremoli by Massimiliano Castellani.

Bancarella Sport was founded 57 years ago in the wake of the general literature prize of Pontremoli, at the suggestion and with the effective contribution of Panathlon. It was not a coincidence that in the jury of the first selectors choosing the six finalists from the fifty or so competitors, one person in the jury is always a member of Panathlon.

For the last few years this has been the past international president Giacomo Santini, himself a sports journalist and writer. Other panathletes also take part in choosing the winner from among the six finalists.

Before the informal meeting of the finalist authors came the ceremony for assignment of the "Bruno Raschi Prize", which has added to its "Golden Book" (list of prize-winners) the name of Beppe Conti, the great sports journalist and expert in cycling. Lastly, heartfelt words were expressed for Franco Lauro, another fond friend as well as a Great Elector of the Bancarella Sport Prize, who had died unexpectedly in April 2020.

Presenting the evening, as always masterfully, was the Head of TGcom Paolo Liguori and for the first time the excellent journalist Carolina Sardelli.

Among those present at the evening, in addition to Giorgio Costa, President of the Italy District, and to Leno Chisci, Deputy President of the DI, there were also the Governors of Area 06 Andrea De Roit and of Area 04 Germano Tabaroni, the members of the Pontremoli-Lunigiana Club and many panathletes.



The winner, the finalists and the other people attending the ceremony in Pontremoli.



# From Pelé a lesson on life and human values

*The great champion has celebrated reaching the age of eighty by recording a song*

by Alessandro Frau  
(AGI Agency)



“Listen to this old man, my son, who is still strong and will make his team win”. Edson Arantes do Nascimento, known to everyone as Pelé, has celebrated his eightieth birthday **recording a song to remind everyone that he is still the best.**

The song is called ‘Acredite no veio’ and was recorded jointly with the Mexican duo Rodrigo and Gabriela.

For FIFA, Pelé is the football player of the century, for the IOC he is the athlete of the century and for the Brazilians he is a greatly loved icon in spite of his reserved and diplomatic character, and because of his will not to have himself talked about constantly. “Football and politics must not be mixed”, he would repeat to whoever asked him for comments on what was happening in his country.

When he was twenty **he was declared by Brazil a national treasure** and, in actual fact, they prevented him from leaving and going to other shores. In Europe they would have faked documents to get hold of him but the closest chance of a transfer, to Angelo Moratti’s Inter, died away due to second thoughts by the “Paulist” a president.

But Pelé is also someone who has chosen not to elect an heir, in spite of the fact that Seleccion had used the footballing services of phenomenal characters such as Zico, Romario, Ronaldo and, now, Neymar. He once said that he preferred Cristiano Ronaldo to Messi, a statement that gave rise to a cloud of dust.

On another occasion, in 2014, referring to his compatriots of today, he said: “Maybe there really was someone capable of playing more or less like me. But there is nobody like me, because my mother and father threw away the mould”.

The champ of the PSG, to say it in full, might soon give him a great delusion since he has now reached 13 goals from his record of markings with his green and gold shirt.

Yes, because the records tell us about Pelé’s career very properly. In 1958, the year of the world championships in Sweden, he became the youngest footballer ever to play a game in the final stage of the World Cup, the



youngest scorer in the history of the competition and, obviously the youngest to raise it. He was just 17 years and 249 days old.

A triplet of numbers that raised him to a football 'God', as was actually written by some titles following the event. But the nickname that has stuck closer to him is that of 'O Rey', the King. It was impossible, what is more, not to assign a crown to someone capable of scoring 1281 goals in his career (761 goals in 821 official matches). Another record. "With today's means, I would have scored 2000", he confided in another interview. It would be difficult not to believe him.

Starting was not easy for him. He was born in Tres Coracoes on 23rd October 1940. Pelè inherited a family tradition. His father Dondinho was a player, albeit not especially great and rather fragile. His knee betrayed him and the family was soon leading a difficult life. So Dondinho moved the family to Bauru when Pelè was only five years old. The world was turned upside down by the occurrences connected with the war, but in Brazil those news items were only the echo of something terrible but that remained quite far away.

But for the little Pelè, called at the time 'Dico', a mango was enough to make him start dribbling balls and feel happy about it. Over the next few years he grew in the amateur team of his city, the team in which he was discovered, at the age of fifteen by Waldemar de Brito, who was playing in Brazil's national team. His trial with Santos was a success.

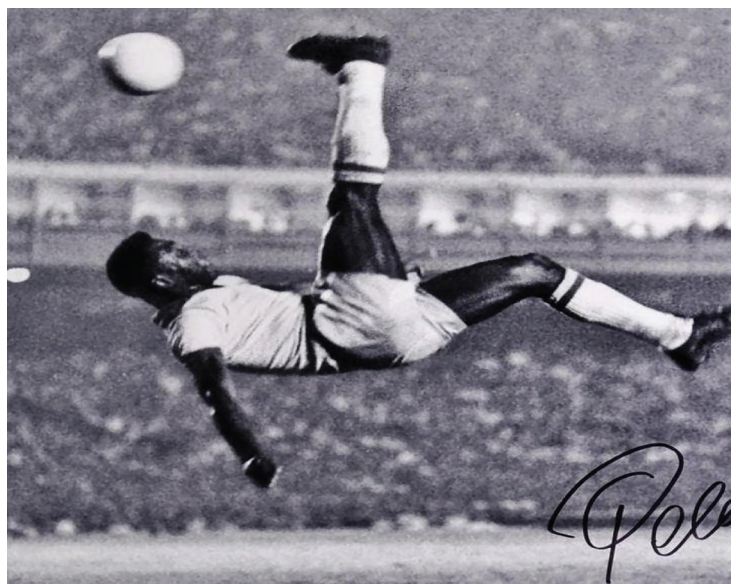
The rest is history. On 7th September 1956 the 'Black Pearl, another of his nicknames, had his debut with the top team in a friendly match against Corinthians. Pelè scored the first of an infinite series of goals. When he was only sixteen he became the leading scorer of the Paulista Championship and was called upon to play in the national team. Before his seventeenth birthday he made his place against Argentina, the historic rival of Seleccion. He was predestined! In his national uniform he played 92 matches, for a total of 67 wins, 14 draws and only 11 defeats. He withdrew for a first time in 1974 when his personal medal board was really bursting: in Brazil he had won ten paulista titles, five Taca Brasils, three Rio-San Paolo tournaments, one Taca de Prata, two Coppe Libertadores, two Intercontinental Cups and one Intercontinental Champions' Super-cup.

One year later he went to play again, in the United States: the New York Cosmos covered him with gold to become an ambassador in and outside the field. This was the first step made by the Americans in order to make football popular in their country. Together with Pelè there were other champions such as Beckenbauer and Chinaglia.

On 1st October 1977, however, his withdrawal became final. Pelè decided to leave the world of football, at least for a long period, refusing to undertake other careers: no benches and no desks. He became an ONU ambassador and a Unesco ambassador, and in 1995 he was called upon to occupy the position of Extraordinary Minister of Sport in Brazil. He was to propose a law against corruption in the world of football called the 'Pelè law'.

Above all, however, he devoted himself to art, writing songs and appearing in films and television plays. In recent years he has had to fight against several physical problems and since the Corona virus pandemic broke out he has remained, for safety's sake, inside his villa in Guarujá, not far from the sea: "I thank God for having let me reach this target clear-headed and, all told, in health. And I do thank everyone who remembers me on this date".

The nickname that has remained imprinted in history is in actual fact wrapped up in a mystery. It is said that Pelè was probably a name pronounced improperly. This has never been explained in full, since the "goleador" has never hidden the fact that it did not go down very well with him. Yes, because of all the nicknames that have been pinned on him, Pelè actually prefers to remember how important his real name is. That is Edson, chosen by his parents to honour Thomas Alva Edison, almost a prophesy of the light that the Brazilian champion was to bring onto playing fields all over the whole world.



# The most beautiful victory is a fair play gesture

*For Eugenio Dondi a Worldwide Honorary Diploma for an episode occurring during a foot-race*

by Mirko Rimessi

One of the duties of each Panathlon Club is to promote the concept of Fair Play in the local area and to recognise and enhance the value of the gestures, the people and the organisations that commit themselves in this respect. Precisely with the aim of promoting the Ferrara Club, once a year it hands out its Fair Play prizes, in categories that can be considered the closest possible to those of the national and international prizes of greatest prestige, so as to act also as "advices" for them.

In 2019 the Panathlon Club of Ferrara recognised as worthy of these prizes the "gestures" of the youngsters Eugenio Dondi and Kevin Del Passo (rewarded at the time of giving out the Panathlon Prizes, with a special recognition in the name of Valentino Galeotti), the commitment of the Municipal and Provincial AVIS offices of Ferrara in the field of social and sports activities (prizes given during the CONI "Galà dello Sport"), Renzo Guerrini's career and Mirko Rimessi's communications (prized during the traditional "Cena degli Auguri" (Well-wishing Dinner).

The reports then went their way and in late February the "gesture" of Eugenio Dondi, the leading character of the fair-play episode and Rimessi's "communication" were chosen as winners of Fair Play Prizes by Panathlon International's AREA 5 (Emilia-Romagna and Marche), together with a certain Davide Cassani (for his career). Due to the pandemic, these prizes are still waiting to be handed over. The story of young Eugenio Dondi's gesture had also been suitably translated so as to be presented to the International Fair Play Committee, the organisation charged by the IOC to hand out the international rewards, and now the news has been received of the awarding of the World Fair Play Diploma in the Jacques Rogge category for the Young (for the under twenties), "to recognise the exemplary results in the world of sport and in the field of promotion of fair play". In the hierarchy of the international award for this category this recognition is second only to the "Fair Play Trophy for the Young – under the auspices of the President of the IOC".

But how was it that the young runner from Ferrara managed to impress so strongly the jury of the organisation - based in Budapest and delivering its prizes since 1965 - that he was granted this recognition. In the past it had been given, albeit in another category, that of awards for



"one's career", only to one other athlete from Ferrara, the boxer Alessandro Duran? He, too, had been prized with a diploma for his career, in 2004. This is how the gesture was proposed:

"During the 'Corsa della Bonifica' event, the youngsters Eugenio Dondi (?asd ProEtichs Team) and Kevin Dal Passo (ACLI Faro Formignana ?asd) became the protagonists of an episode with a very high human and ethical value in sport: 'A few tens of metres away from the finishing point the very strong Kevin Dal Passo mistook his way along the road leading up to the finish line, with the complicity of the guiding bicycle that 'went straight'. In his attempt to stop, Kevin slipped to the ground, injuring an arm and a hand. Eugenio Dondi, who was right behind him, stopped in order to wait for his friend to stand up. They both started off again, then undertaking a splendid flash which saw Eugenio only just prevailing. Just after the race, while his father was dressing his injuries, Kevin told him: 'Do you know why Eugenio waited for me? Because he is a good friend...'"

The satisfaction of the whole Ferrara Club was great, in particular that of the Chairwoman Luciana Pareschi and the member Dino Raimondi who, as the representative of the ProEtichs Team, brought this gesture to the attention of the Council.

A curiosity: during the prize-giving at Ferrara, which took place in May 2019, the task of handing over the recognitions to the two very young runners was entrusted precisely to Alessandro Dura. Was this already a premonition?



# The World Fair Play Award for the Career goes to Catia Pedrini

In the name of the whole Panathlon Club of Modena, the President Maria Carafoli congratulates Catia Pedrini, an honorary member since 2018, who has won the World Fair Play Award for her career.. The award is named after the great French tennis-player Jean Borotra and was assigned by the International Fair Play Committee (CIFP), based in Budapest, in Hungary.

The reasons underlying Pedrini's candidacy, pointed out to Panathlon International by the Modena-based Club, therefore allowed the president of Modena Volley to obtain the prestige international recognition, intended for a sports character capable of standing out for their "eminent general attitude shown throughout their career, for an exceptional and constant spirit of fair play, for the respect of the unwritten rules of sport".

Catia Pedrini and the Panathlon Club of Modena both received also the complements of Pierre Zappelli, president of Panathlon International. "We are very happy about this news, which as arrived in these specific days so full of unknown aspects", commented Presidente Carafoli. "It is a candidacy that we have supported with great determination".

During her term as president, in addition to victories on the field, she contributed towards guiding a concept of sport never separated from the social tissue of the local area. Over the years this message has been translated into many charitable initiatives that have made Palapanini a place of fair play, sports culture and solidarity, perfectly in line with our projects dedicated to sport and disability that Catia Pedrini has never failed to support".



## Como Club: fairplay

***Alberto Cova for his career - Giovanni Borgonovo for his gesture - Volleyball Cabiata for promotion. A mention on promotion for the Aso Alzate Brianza football association - The prize-giving ceremony has been put off until the spring of 2021***

Albeit in the difficult year of the pandemic and in a new lockdown period, the Como Panathlon Club wanted all the same to assign the 2020 Fairplay Prizes, to be handed over, as is always the case, on the third Saturday in November, at the time of the International Fair Play Day. Unluckily, because of the period of restrictions and bans, the ceremony was put off until the spring of 2021.

All the same, the specific Commission, presided over by Roberta Zanoni, has worked on the material and on the various reports received by the Como Club and has arrived at the proclamation for 2020. To summarize, the prizes are as follows. "Antonio Spallino" Fair Play Prize for the career goes to Alberto Cova, the greatest Italian middle-distance racer and Olympic champion for the distance of 10,000 metres in Los Angeles in 1984, who also has a world title (Helsinki, 1983) and a European one (Athens, 1982), also over a distance of 10,000, in a career that has seen him running as a leader and winning everywhere. At the end of his career, having undertaken both a professional and a political career, he has made a name for himself in several circumstances in activities of solidarity and help for the needy.

- the "Gabriele Coduri de' Cartosio" Fair Play Prize for the gesture of Giovanni Borgonovo. The young athlete of the Canottieri Cernobbio team, after having run and won the 2019 Villa d'Este Trophy, became the protagonist of a gesture of loyalty, courage and altruism, fully in line with the principles of fair play, going to "report himself" to the jury for having skipped a buoy due to failing to pay attention. Having been disqualified, he allowed the athlete arriving second to win - the "Filippo Saladanna" Fair Play Prize for promotion for the volleyball team of Cabiata Asd, a company able to give itself an ethical charter, for athletes, technicians and managers and families, complying in full with the principles of Panathlon International's Ethical Charters. At a time when, only too often, episodes of individualism and poor behaviour distinguish even amateur sport, adopting an ode of rights and duties is the best way to interpret the practice of sport.

- Mention for the promotion to the "baby" footballers of Aso Alzate Brianza who, without doubts and ignoring walls and local rivalries, willingly agreed to play hosts for the training activities for the athletes of a similar age of the nearby Ac Albavilla, who had suddenly found themselves without playing fields. A gesture that deserves to be stressed and highlighted.





# Olympic feelings and not only

by Maurizio Monego

Sport is perhaps the subject that encloses plenty of stories, that reveals virtues and that, also for this reason, arouses passion. A connoisseur such as Leo Turrini has many stories, emotions and images to be remembered and told about.

Fourteen Olympic Games experienced as a special correspondent are a record knowing no equals in Italy. In Formula 1 motoring he is one of the most expert and well-appreciated story-tellers. Certainly, the fact that he was born in Sassuolo, a stone's throw away from Maranello and his relations as a very young journalist with Enzo Ferrari were decisive factors, as was experiencing the sport-related reality of the Modena area, rich in champions and entrepreneurs who were able to give a lot to sport.

Add to this his manner of speaking, cultured and at the same time popular, due to the musicality of his inflexion, the irony and self-criticism that immediately make him likeable, and there you have the man you would like to continue to listen to for hours. That is what Leo Turrini appeared to be like on the evening of Panathlon Como, to the few people who did not already know him and to the many who actually did know him through his reports, radio programmes and books.

Pressed by Nicola Nenci, a journalist of the paper "La Provincia", he gave the panathletes and the guests present fragments of humanity that stimulate people to think. With regard to the Olympics he stresses the universal value of meeting many young people, their being together, getting to know each other as equals, champions or not, representatives of all countries, even the less known. In everyone there is the enthusiasm and the emotion of living moments that are indelible in one's memory and that will be kept there as the most beautiful in an athlete's life. Then there is a vast number of anecdotes connected with the Games, and being able to tell them, like he does, brings up "the love for sport that makes brotherhoods" and "the enchantment of the emotion".

Among these is the memory of having seen Usain Bolt's 9.69 record in Peking in the 100-metres finals, run with one shoe untied.

Then the victorious arrival of Stefano Baldini in the Athens marathon, the emotion of seeing the Italian athlete, whom he knew well, an athlete from his country, winning the most iconic gold medal of the Olympic Games.



The strongest emotion connected with Formula1 is that experienced on that 8th of October 2000, in Suzuka, for the victory of Michael Schumacher in the Pilots World Championship. A victory that Ferrari had been chasing after for twenty-one years, since that won by Jody Scheckter. The last turns experienced together with the mechanics and technicians behind the paddock are an unforgettable memory.

A little superstition and the overwhelming stress had induced them to leave their places. They were smoking nervously and listening silently to the sound of the Ferrari engine and that of Mika Häkkinen's McLaren-Mercedes, trying to understand who was ahead.

The last lap, with adrenalin very high, and the explosion of the yell of release on passing under the chequered flag are emotions that you could imagine easily during the tale. Of Enzo Ferrari he remembers the move that earned him great esteem when, getting round the RAI strike that prevented the passionate fans from following the Brazil Grand Prix in 1982, he managed, thanks to an agreement with Tele Montecarlo, to transmit the race through Tele Sassuolo, for

which he worked. That intuition earned him the scoop of an exclusive interview with the engineer that the paper *Il Resto del Carlino* published on a half-page in a period of strict press silence of the Maranello boss. The analysis of the current loss of competitive strength of the red team is objective and merciless, hope takes a long time to be recovered and the fans of the prancing horse will have to experience a lot more delusions.

To answer to the sharp questions by Nenci there runs a parade of personalities, from Alberto Tomba, of whom he was the first human decoder, translating the incomprehensible language of his outbursts, to Lucio Battisti who was the soundtrack of important moments in his life, touching on Bartali, the man who saved Italy by pedalling, and whose book written for Mondadori in 2004 is remembered by many.

The chat ends with a short presentation of Turrini's latest hard work as a writer: the book dedicated to Panini. It is the story of a family that started from nothing but it also an exemplary passage from the history of "an Italy that was not afraid of dreaming". The essential traits and the personal remembrances of the glorious dynasty of the Paninis, now a worldwide brand name alongside Ferrari and Parmigiano Reggiano, are once again a fascinating tale and invitation to read.



*Leo Turrini and President Ceriani*

## !!!! Help us to help you !!!!

Luckily the articles being sent to this magazine by the clubs to document their activity and the most suggestive events are increasing more and more.

This is the magazine of all the clubs and all the panathletes. Precisely because of this the publishers' office tries to make everyone happy by making room for them all. This normally means a one page article with one photograph.

Often, unhappily, our work is made harder by two problems connected with your correspondence, which at times is too long so that you force us to cut even very commendable texts shorter. On other occasions we have to re-write them completely as they had been drafted by willing hands but not journalistically satisfactory. There really should be a trained press officer for each club.

So as to help us help you, we are indicating the standard size of a text.

For those who use computers, a maximum of 2500 characters, spaces included. In typewriting terms this means 40 lines of 60 characters each.

Thank you for your cooperation.

*Giacomo Santini  
International Past President  
Manager*

# Sharing ... is worth it

by Renato Zanovello  
President emeritus of the Padua Club

"Many hands make light work" and "Do it yourself, it's three times better" are two axioms describing realities that are at least apparently opposite.

It is therefore fair for one to wonder which one of them is right or whether they can co-exist with one another.

I shall therefore try to answer this question basing myself on a subject that is congenial to me, that is to say sport, but pointing out that the matter could also be applied very well to other fields, such as politics, religion, social affairs and so on.

There is no doubt that sport has various different facets (competitive, recreational, ethical, cultural, social, commercial, and so on).

These facets obviously involve different educational agencies, public and private institutions and national and local ones, sports organisations at all sorts of levels, sponsors, mass media and so on ...

Then each body takes care of the aspects with which it is concerned, trying to interact with the others in the best possible way, so as to achieve those individual and general goals that range from integral training (physical and spiritual) of the single human being to achievement of the results of greatest prestige in the international field.

Concretely, this results in the pressing wish that at national level the Government and CONI (the Italian National Olympic Committee), also resorting to possible outside skills, join forces in drafting together the Guidelines of a national

Programmatic Plan (Reform of Sport?), which will then be developed by the single bodies in charge on the basis of their constitutional DNAs.

Then, going down to local level, another similar attitude also applies in which, in the framework of a preliminary general coordination, each body concerned will then take care of promoting those activities and initiative that are up to them due to official instructions or to locally consolidated practices (respecting in full the single roles) with the greatest commitment, that if it is made to be three times better, that is a perfect number.

By way of example, Panathlon takes care, in the most appropriate ways, of the ethical and cultural aspect of sport, on the basis of the official instructions given to it by the IOC, as has already been the case, to mention an example, for the "Carta etica dello sport" (Ethical Sports Charter), issued recently by the Veneto Region.

Certainly, the most difficult thing is to join forces, but we should remember that "getting together is a start, staying together is a progress and then being able to work together is a success" (H. Ford).

From all this it can be inferred, then, that the two initial axioms are not antithetic but can actually integrate each other very well.

As it was meant to prove, mathematically .





## The spirit and the ideals

The Foundation was created in memory of Domenico Chiesa, at the initiative of his heirs Antonio, Italo and Maria. Domenico Chiesa, who in 1951, in addition to being the promotor of the first Panathlon Club, had also written the draft of its charter, and who in 1960 was one of the founders of Panathlon International, had expressed the wish during his lifetime, albeit not technically binding for his heirs, that part of his wealth should be used to assign awards periodically to artistic works inspired by sport, as well as to cultural activities and publications sharing the same goals as Panathlon. With regard to the creation of the Foundation, alongside the Chiesa family's conspicuous contribution, the generous support of the whole Panathletic movement must be remembered. It came from very many clubs as well as personally from many Panathletes, letting the Foundation achieve the conditions needed for entering the world of visual art in a prestige and striking manner: introducing an award organised jointly with one of the most important organisations of its kind at world level: the Venice Biennale.

## The Domenico Chiesa Award

On 24th September 2004 the Panathlon International Central Board, considering the need to increase the Foundation's capital and to honour the memory of one of the founder members of Panathlon, who was its source of inspiration as well as its first financial backer, decided to start the "Domenico Chiesa Award". It was to be assigned following proposals by the single clubs and on the basis of specific rules, to one or more Panathletes or even non-members who had lived according to the Panathletic spirit.

In particular, it was to go to people who had undertaken to uphold the ideal of sport and had contributed in an exceptionally significant manner:



***towards the understanding and promotion of the values of Panathlon  
and of the Foundation through cultural means inspired by sport***

***towards the concept of friendship among all Panathletes and everyone operating in sporting circles,  
thanks also to the assiduity and quality of their participation in the activities of Panathlon, for members  
and for non-members, recognising in the Panathletic ideals a top value for the education and training  
of the young towards the willingness to serve, thanks to their activities for the benefit of the Club and  
their generosity towards the Club and the world of sport.***

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Pizzetti Martino - P.C. Parma 15/12/2004	Gaio Camporesi offerto Enrico Prandi 21/11/2009	Dionigi Dionigio Area 5 06/12/2015
Chiesa Italo offerto Enrico Prandi 20/10/2004	Mons. Mazza - P.C. Parma 15/12/2009	Bruno Grandi P.C. Forlì 22/01/2016
Battistella Bruno P.C. Vittorio Veneto 27/05/2005	Mario Macalli - P.C. Crema 22/12/2009	Mara Pagella P.C. Pavia 18/02/2016
Ferdinandi Pierlugi P.C. Latina 12/12/2005	Livio Berruti - Area 3 19/11/2010	Giancaspro Antonio P.C. Molfetta 26/11/2016
Mariotti Gelasio P.C. Vald. Inf 19/02/2006	Gianni Marchiol - P.C. Udine N.T. 11/12/2010	Oreste Perri Area 02 26/11/2016
Prando Sergio P.C. Venezia 12/06/2006	Mario Mangiarotti - P.C. Bergamo 16/12/2010	Gianduia Giuseppe P.C. La Malpensa 13/12/2016
Zichi Massimo P.C. Latina 06/11/2006	Mario Sogno P.C. Biella 24/09/2011	Giovannni Ghezzi P.C. Crema 14/12/2016
Yves Vaan Auweele P.C. Brussel 21/11/2006	Mariuccia Lombardini - P.C. Reggio E. 19/11/2011	Roberto Peretti P.C. Genova levante 26/01/2017
Viscardo Brunelli P.C. Como 01/12/2006	Bernardino Morsani - P.C. Rieti 25/11/2011	Magi Carlo Alberto Distretto Ita 31/03/2017
Giampaolo Dallara P.C. Parma 06/12/2006	Roberto Ghiretti - P.C. Parma 15/12/2011	Mantegazza Geo PC Lugano 20/04/2017
Fabio Presca I Distretto 15/02/2007	Fondazione Lanza P.C. Udine N.T. 17/12/2011	Palmieri Caterina PC Varese 16/05/2017
Giulio Giuliani P.C. Brescia 12/06/2007	Giuseppe Molteni - P.C. Varese 17/04/2012	Paul De Broe PC Brussels 28/01/2018
Avio Vailati Venturi P.C. Crema 13/06/2007	Enrico Prandi Area 5 11/12/2012	Vic De Donder PC Brussels 28/01/2018
Luciano Canavese P.C. Crema 13/06/2007	Sergio Allegrini - P.C. Udine N.T. 17/12/2012	Buzzella Mario PC Crema 28/02/2018
Sergio Fabrizi P.C. La Malpensa 19/09/2007	Piccolo Gruppo Evolution - Polisp. Orgnano A.D. P.C. Udine N.T. 17/12/2012	Balzarini Adriana Distretto Italia 16/06/2018
Cesare Vago P.C. La Malpensa 19/09/2007	Don Davide Larice P.C. Udine N.T. 17/12/2012	Guccione Alù Gabriele PC Palermo 09/11/2018
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Fernando Petrone P.C. Latina 10/12/2007	Henrique Nicolini Area 1 Area 2 31/10/2013	Speroni Carlo PC La Malpensa 13/11/2018
Vittorio Adorni P.C. Parma 16/01/2008	Together onlus P.C. Udine NT 30/11/2013	Dainese Giorgio Area 05 26/10/2019
Dora de Biase P.C. Foggia 18/04/2008	Enzo Cainero P.C. Udine NT 30/11/2013	Bambozzi Gianni Area 05 26/10/2019
Albino Rossi P.C. Pavia 12/06/2008	Giuseppenicola Tota Area 5 11/06/2014	Marini Gervasio PC Latina 9/12/2019
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Maurizio Clerici - P.C. Latina 15/12/2008	Geo Balmelli P.C. Lugano 12/06/2014	Lucchesini Giorgio PC Altavaldelsa 16/12/2019
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