

QUBICA AMF
BOWLING
WORLD CUP
WROCLAW - POLAND 2014



Wroclaw, our host city

#50BWC

We were back in Wroclaw, that gem in Lower Silesia, just two years after our first visit to this Polish city.

It was earlier in the year this time, so there was no Christmas market but there was still enough to attract players and all our visitors.

The Sky Tower glinted in the sunlight while the charming city centre buildings, almost all of them rebuilt after the destruction of 1939-45, were as delightful as ever.

And the little gnomes were there to greet us. They had been symbols of hope of democratic freedom during the communist years.



A view of the national flags hanging over the atrium



Perhaps the gnomes were pushing the ball to the Sky Tower!



The town hall, one of the stunning buildings in the centre of Wroclaw



The Sky Tower, the retail and residential centre which houses the Sky bowling centre



A view of downtown Wroclaw taken from the top of the Sky Tower

Arrival



The organising committee had worked hard to ensure that everyone was picked up from the airport, some distance outside the city.

The pro shop, run by Tomasz Janicki, began to do brisk business. The ball park operated smoothly throughout the tournament with each of our 85 participating countries allocated its own storage area.

We were delighted to welcome back four players who had previously won the QubicaAMF World Cup. Syafiq Ridhwan of Malaysia won in 2012, here in Wroclaw, while Aumi Guerra (Dominican Republic) is one of two women to take the title in successive years: she won in 2010 in Toulon, France, and 2011 in Johannesburg, South Africa. Both Canadian competitors were double champions. Michael Schmidt won in 2005 in Ljubljana, Slovenia, and in 2010 in Toulon, while Caroline Lagrange won in 2009 in Melaka, Malaysia, and again last year in Krasnoyarsk, Russia.



Tomasz in the pro shop



Syafiq Ridhwan and Michael Schmidt tussle over the trophy



Aumi Guerra and Caroline Lagrange look pleased to hold the cup again



Players collecting their equipment from the ball park



Tomasz sets to work

Memories are made of this

In 1965, 20 bowlers came to Dublin to take part in the first QubicaAMF Bowling World Cup, known then as the International Masters. It was held at the Stillorgan Bowl, owned by the Murphy family, our tournament director's (Bernard Gibbons') in-laws.

The 20 came from 20 different countries. They were all men; they all wore white; they each used only one bowling ball. Yet the scores were high with a top game of 267.

The years have gone by and 14 of those original 20 countries have now participated in all 50 Bowling World Cups: Australia, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Great Britain/England, Ireland, Italy, Mexico, Netherlands, Norway, Sweden and the USA. The class of 2014 posed for a photo.

Every participating player received a souvenir medal, a specially printed bowling pin with the logo of the 50th Bowling World Cup and a special pen to collect autographs on the pin. And included in the welcome pack was a small brochure giving details about every one of the previous 49 Bowling World Cup tournaments.



The special commemorative pin with the pen and medal



Here we see some of the players with their presentation pins



The class of 2014, players from the countries which have competed in every single Bowling World Cup since 1965

The opening ceremony



The opening ceremony was held in the atrium on the ground floor of the Sky Tower. We watched modern dancing; we watched a film of the previous 49 tournaments; we listened to Bernard Gibbons tell us of his Bowling World Cup memories and family connection with the event; and we applauded as the countries marched in one by one to stand in front of their national flags on the big screen.

Next came the official oaths of fair play, taken by Lucyna Charezinska, the female player for host nation Poland, for the players and Krzysztof Pacon, Chief Lane Marshall, for the officials.

Then it was over to Juan Cabezas, Senior Vice-President Global Sales for QubicaAMF, and Addie Ophelders, President of the European Tenpin Bowling Federation, to welcome all the players and their guests. We heard from Krzysztof Szarfawinski, the manager of the Sky Tower before Rafal Potepa, Sky Bowling's marketing manager, officially opened the tournament.



Bernard Gibbons



This dance reflected the national colours of Poland



Lucyna Charesinska takes the oath of fair play



Krzysztof Pacon takes the oath of fair judgement



Juan Cabezas



Addie Ophelders



Krzysztof Szarfawinski



Rafal Potepa declares the event officially open

Some of the players as they are introduced at the opening ceremony



Belgium



Brazil



Bulgaria



Luxembourg



Macau



Mongolia



El Salvador



Eritrea



Greece



Portugal



Reunion



Romania



Iceland



India



Jersey



Slovakia



South Africa



Turkey

Qualifying

As qualifying got under way, official action pictures were taken of all the players. Here we see some of them.



Azerbaijan



Belarus



Bermuda



New Zealand



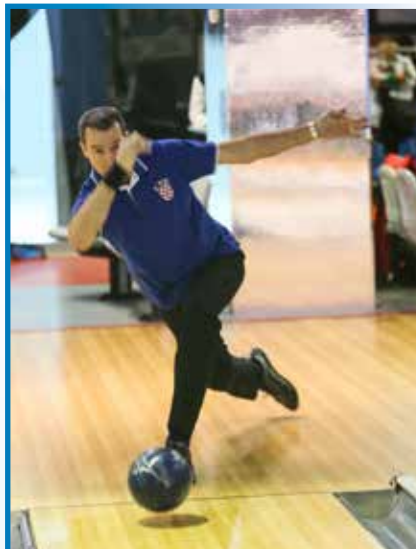
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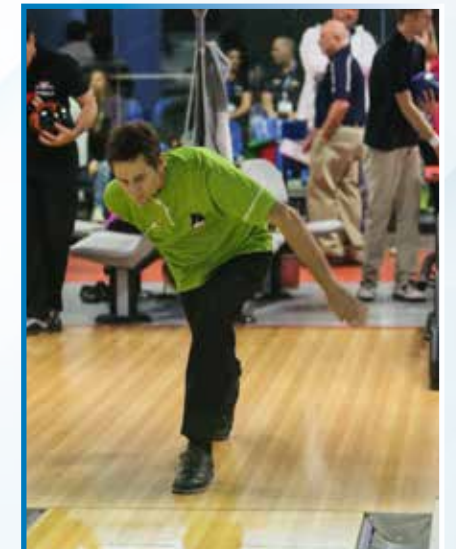
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Slovenia



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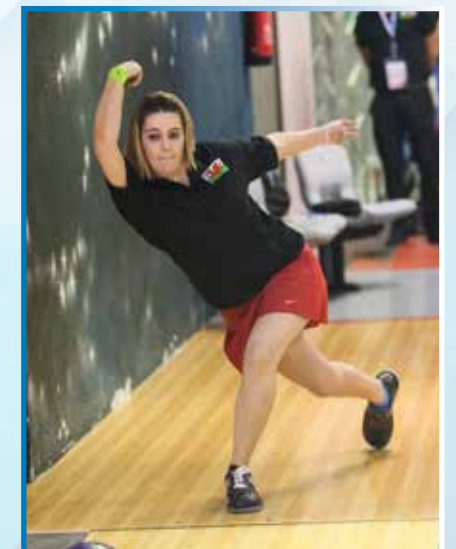
Lithuania



Uruguay



Uzbekistan



Wales

The first round

The final preparations were made to ensure the lanes were spot on.

The players each bowled 20 games over four days to determine the top 24 to go through to the next round.

With one game to go, it was touch and go for Eric Kok of the Netherlands. Eric holds a remarkable record; he has played in the Bowling World Cup in each of five decades, starting in 1979 in Bangkok where he finished just outside the top 16. From there it was on to Jakarta in 1980, then Seoul, South Korea in 1985 where he recorded his best result of 2nd. Since then, he has also competed in the 25th edition in 1989 (Dublin), 1995 (Sao Paulo), 2005 (Ljubljana) and now 2014 (Wroclaw) was added to this list. He made the cut and said: "Whew! That was close. I am very pleased to have made it to round two and it just shows there is life in the old dog yet!"

Amandine Jacques from France needed a 170 in the last game to make it through to the next round, and she hit 189. Her mother, Pepita, finished in 17th in Beijing in 1991, in the days when only 16 qualified for round two. "So I have made it further than Mum," said Amandine, "but I now need to move up and finish in 16th so I can really say that I have beaten her!"

In the lead at this stage were Tobias Börding of Germany for the men and Brittini Hamilton of the USA for the women.

The men's overall average was 201.37 with 45 players averaging over 200, while the overall average for the women was 188.92.



Cliff Adair, QubicaAMF's Senior Product Manager and Assistant Tournament Director, and Antonio Viramonte, Senior Lane Care Technician, watch over the lane dressing



Pepita gives Amandine a big kiss as she makes the top 24



Eric Kok by the national flag of the Netherlands

Behind the scenes



The Bowling World Cup would not happen without the input of a lot of people, QubicaAMF staff and local organisers. From Anne-Marie Board, QubicaAMF Bowling World Cup manager to volunteer lane marshals – all work together as a team to put on this amazing event.



The QubicaAMF team pose for a photo. Left to right: Laurie Pearce (who takes care of our scoring and results), Cliff Adair, Tina Quirke, Assistant Bowling World Cup manager, Anne-Marie Board, Bernard Gibbons, Hero Noda, official photographer and Judy Howlett, international media co-ordinator.



Artur Gorniak is QubicaAMF's distributor in Poland. Here we see him with Jakub Szetela, our IT guru and trouble shooter for the tournament.



Borys Czajkowski was our local tournament director and was simply everywhere: on the phone organising accreditation or transport; in person in the bowl; and on the email system, sorting out any problems speedily and with no fuss.



Daniele Soverini worked with Laurie on ensuring the scoring produced quickly and accurately and that the on-line scoring was running correctly.



In addition to the QubicaAMF work, Lucas Wiseman from Bowl TV again ran live streaming for us covering four lanes.



Social media is ever more important and Jelena Kuznecova, Jelena Kuznecova from QubicaAMF's Bologna office took charge of this for us. She was delighted with the impact with Facebook posts often getting responses within seconds.

It's not just about the bowling

The Bowling World Cup is a popular tournament, not just for the excellent organisation but because the players really have fun.



Bowling really is a sport for all ages. Our youngest competitor was Maria Bulanova of Russia who only just 16 while our oldest was Antonieta Costa of the Azores, an amazing 77. The waterfall was another of the lovely 3D paintings



This year three players had their very young children with them. Heidi Thorstensen from Norway with David, Kwan Harn- Chieh of Switzerland with Gohan and Jason Waters of New Zealand with Addison



Lia Mojarro of Catalonia was one of the smallest players in the event and was given a lift by two of the Tower's security men



Leonardo Davis from the Bahamas is an auto repair technician back home and posed for the camera on one of the large 3D style paintings on the floor of the Sky Tower



Amanda Larkin of Ireland keeps her hand in while in Wroclaw. At home she works in a bar and poured a beer for a customer of the bowling centre bar



Alan Smith of Northern Ireland, our oldest male player at 63, holds on to Jiri Beran of the Czech Republic, our youngest at 16, on the diving board of the make-believe swimming pool in the atrium



Maria Tkachenko of Latvia is an architect and is a talented artist. She produced a stunning pencil drawing of the two gnomes from the city centre



Two players celebrated their birthdays during this year's tournament: Caroline Lagrange of Canada and Oleg Tan of Kyrgyzstan



Bigi Manico of Switzerland signs one of the commemorative pins for Maryam Vanaki of Iran



Samy-Anna Saba from New Caledonia, one of our frequent competitors, is a travel agent at home and checks out the special offers at an agency in Wroclaw



Lyndon Walters of Wales Was pressed into service in the press room. He is a photo copier engineer and sorted out a printing problem



Four of our competitors were teachers. Here Xynea Johnson of the Bahamas jests with Frederic Barre of Reunion, Rebecka Larsen of Sweden and Dominique Merlo also of Reunion

The QubicaAMF celebratory dinner

The QubicaAMF formal dinner is always a high spot of the overall event and this year was always going to be extra special as we celebrated 50 years of the Bowling World Cup.

The dinner was held in the lovely Centennial Hall, a UNESCO Heritage site, and hosted by Pat Ciniello, QubicaAMF's Worldwide President and Chairman.

Pat paid tribute to the Murphy family who started the event way back in 1965 and presented Patrice Gibbons, daughter of Jack Murphy, the father of the World Cup, and wife of Bernard, our tournament director, with a bouquet. Patrice was at that very first tournament.

He then thanked all those who make the tournament possible and made special presentations of sets of six commemorative engraved champagne flutes.



Bernard Mora shows off the engraved champagne glasses. Bernard, a leading bowling journalist from France, has been to 40 of the 50 tournaments, a record unbeaten by anyone



Anne-Marie Board, Bowling World Cup manager and Tina Quirke, assistant manager, with their bouquets



Flavio Cuva and Herbert Bickel from Bowling Digital with Lucas Wiseman. Bowling Digital provides excellent coverage of the event on their web site and upload videos to Youtube



The fountains in the grounds of the Centennial Hall are turned into lanterns in the winter



The bowling college

As usual, QubicaAMF ran a special school for those entering the bowling industry. It covers all aspects of running a bowling centre with lecturer Roger Creamer, QubicaAMF's Director of Training.



Kevin Dornberger, President of World Bowling, with his presentation



Marek Maciejewski, owner of Sky Bowling and our host, receives his presentation



Pat Ciniello raises his glass and invites everyone to toast QubicaAMF



Patrice receives her bouquet from Pat



The event could not run without our local sponsors. Here we see Alessio Barbolini of Navigare, the key sponsor for 2014



Our guests ride to their feet for the toast



Roger in full flow in one of the lectures



The bowling college students discuss a point



All students received a certificate from Roger, Juan Cabezas and Artur Gorniak. Here we see two of them



Presentations to players

All the players received certificates of participation and special medals for the 50th World Cup. Here we see some of them.



The round of 24



Exciting finishes were the order of the day. With one game to go, Mykhaylo Kalika of the Ukraine was in 7th, Steve Thornton of England in 8th, and then there were eight players who could, with a good game, have forced their way up.

Juhani Tonteri of Finland had bowled a 300 game in the 7th and looked as if he might repeat that, but he finished with a 278 and 9th place. Oron Cohen came from 10th place with a 279 to snatch 8th place and demote Steve to 10th.

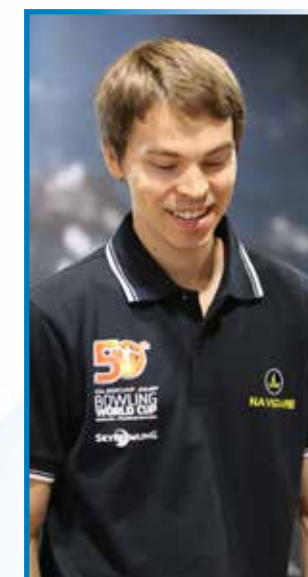
It needed a one game roll off to determine the 8th player to go through in the women's section.

Sandra Gongora of Mexico opened the 10th frame of her final game and thought she was out. 19-year-old Daria Kovalova of the Ukraine also thought she was out. But they tied for 8th place on 6075 and we needed a one game roll off. Daria bowled superbly and ran out the winner by 246 to 214

Daria was overcome afterwards. Her mother and father are here with her and once she won through all three of them were in tears.



Our 24 top male players.... and the women



Juhani was happy enough with his final two games but still missed the top eight



Oron celebrates making it through to the round robin



Daria thought she was out... but then she won the roll off and celebrates



Sandra discovers she has a second chance

High scores

Would we see a perfect game? Yes, of course.

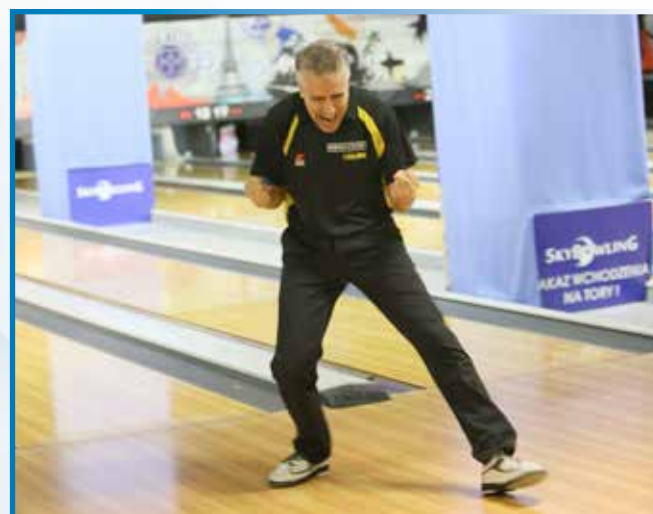
The first came from Neil Sullivan from the small Mediterranean island of Malta. "What better place than the World Cup to get a 300?" he said afterwards.

The same day, young Maria Bulanova very nearly did the same in the women's section. But she left a single pin for a 299. As it happened, this was to remain the high game for the women for the tournament.

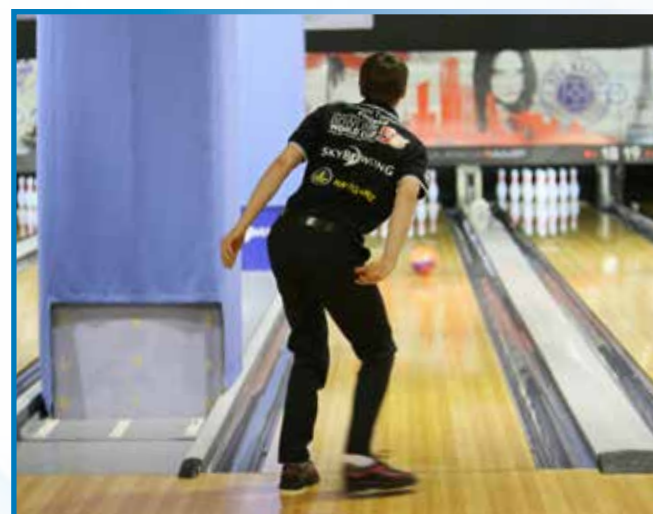
Next for the men came Artur Colomer of Catalonia. His reaction to his final ball shows how delighted he was.

In the round of 24, Juhani Tonteri of Finland achieved the mark in game 7 and looked very likely to repeat in the position round, but it was not to be.

And then, to cap it all, we had our second ever perfect game in the finals, when Chris Barnes hit 300 in the second game of the semi final against Mykhaylo Kalika of the Ukraine.



Artur Colomer shows his delight at hitting his perfect World Cup game



Juhani Tonteri takes his final ball

Game 4	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
M.L.T. Sullivan	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	1878
ENG. T. Barnes	30	60	90	120	150	180	210	240	270	300	300
ENG. T. Barnes	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	2052
ENG. T. Barnes	19	28	59	88	116	136	156	175	184	194	194
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Neil Sullivan after his 300 and his score on the screen.



Maria Bulanova in action



Chris Barnes watches anxiously as his final ball goes in

The round robin



The scoring throughout the round robin was superb. Of the 64 games bowled by the men only eight were below 200, and there were 13 games over 250. But the women did even better with only four games below 200 and 13 games over 250.

By the end of the 7th round, it was clear who would be numbers one and two in both sections but the third place in the final was certainly up for grabs.

Tomas Börding remained in the lead while Ukrainian Mykhaylo Kalika had gone into the round robin in 8th. However, a set of 1952 (a 244 average) and seven wins out of eight matches, brought him right up to 2nd.

In the men's position round, Chris Barnes of the USA was to play Magnus Johnson Jr of Sweden. Chris was lying 34 pins behind Magnus but with 30 bonus for a win that meant that he had to win by just five pins. He did, running out the winner by 257 to 213.

Over with the women, Clara Juliana Guerrero of Colombia in 1st and Li Jane Sin of Malaysia were assured of their positions as one and two. With just the position round to go, Brittini Hamilton of the USA was in 3rd ahead of Maria Bulanova of Russia in 4th by 77, but again with 30 for a win, if Maria could win by 48 she would go through. She won by 251 to 227, but it was not enough and she finished 4th, Brittini taking the last place in the stepladder final.

Maria was philosophical afterwards; "I am disappointed, of course, but I am still proud of my achievements here this week".

Clara's set of 1948 for her eight games (228, 256, 210, 257, 278, 244, 236, 239) set a new Bowling World Cup record, beating the 1944 set by Shalin Zulkifli of Malaysia ten years ago in Singapore.



The top eight receive their briefing in the World Cup office



The players pose for the official photograph before the round robin



An action shot of Magnus Johnson Jr, who finished in the unenviable 4th place, out of the finals

The grand finals

The women were the first to take centre stage with Li Jane playing Britttni in the semi final. She won by 2 games to 1: 181-235; 236-234; and 213-204. Li Jane's set in the final was 702 (234, 257, 211).

She moved on to the final against Clara. Clara took the first game 239 to 234, but LI Jane came back and won the second game 257 to 243. It was on to a decider and Clara came through with a 265 beating Li Jane's 211. Clara's set of 747 is another World Cup record, this time beating Singapore's Shayna Ng's 738, set here in Wroclaw two years ago.

Clara, now 32, first bowled in the World Cup as a young 17-year-old in 2000 in Lisbon where she came second. "It's taken me a long time to come back to win it!" she said after her victory. "This is such a historic tournament and so many great players have won it in the past and I really wanted to make myself part of that group."

Clara did not have the best preparation as she did not arrive in Wroclaw until 1pm on the first day of the event and she was bowling at 5.30. She missed the practice sessions and struggled a bit to start with. But she steadily improved until the final day when she carried all before her.

The men's games were no less exciting. In the semi final Chris beat Mykhaylo by two games to nil but the excitement was his 300 game, the second time we have seen a perfect game in the finals, beating Mykhaylo's 215. The first game also went to Chris by 219 to 204.

He moved on to play the young man from Germany, Tobias Börding who had led the tournament all week. Tobias did not bowl badly at all but lost game one by 248 to 269. It was nip and tuck all the way in the second game but Chris ran out the winner by 231 to 216.

Asked afterwards about competing in an event where all he wins is a trophy and the prestige, Chris said: "I've come to appreciate how many great international players have won this title and winning was definitely on my bucket list. I had come second in the qualifiers five times, but then this year I actually won my way here."

"I am really pleased to win but I do feel for Tobias. He dominated us all week and I've been the guy who led by a lot but lost in one game so I do know how he feels. But he has a great future in bowling ahead of him"

Tobias's mother, father and two friends drove 700km from their home in Bavaria, setting off at 2am the night before, to watch the finals, then had to drive straight home. "They have to go to work tomorrow!" said Tobias.

The Bent Petersen trophy for top nation goes again to the USA with Britttni finishing 3rd and Chris winning.



Britttni Hamilton (USA)



Mykhaylo Kaliika (Ukraine)



Li Jane Sin (Malaysia)



Clara Guerrero (Colombia)



Chris Barnes (USA)



Tobias Börding (Germany)



Clara with her trophy



Chris with the men's cup

The celebratory banquet

The bowling was over and it was time to celebrate, although it is also a sad time as we know we will not be meeting again for a year.

This year, the only trophy presented after the finals was to the winners. All the others were presented at the banquet. What a treat!

And of course there was the presentation of the awards for the Sportsman and Sportswoman of the tournament, named after Barry James and Jackie Felsenstein respectively, and voted for by the players themselves. Barry from England produced the Review for many years and Jackie, from Belgium, held many different positions in bowling and was a staunch supporter of the Bowling World Cup. They were both very highly regarded. This year's awards went to firstly Shant Tomassian of Iraq who was totally shocked: he was taking photos of the winners when his name was called out and he hastily handed his camera to someone else. And the women's award went to Simona Pia Maria Fasol of Italy, the first time Italy has won either of the sportspeople awards.

Every person at the banquet found one of the 50th Bowling World Cup engraved champagne flutes at their table place. And the tables were adorned with helium balloons in gold.

But there was more to the evening than just the awards. Lovely food and great dancing followed.



Shant Tomassian is so proud to get his Sportsman of the Tournament award from Clara and Chris



Chris presents Simona with her Sportswoman award



Neil Sullivan gets his high game award



Kevin Dornberger presented the runner up trophy to Tobias Börding



Mykhaylo Kalika and Rafal Potepa from Sky Bowling



Kevin Dornberger presents Li Jane Sin receives with her runner up award



Brittni Hamilton receives her trophy for third place from Pat Ciniello.



The winner's local trophy is presented to Chris Barnes by Pat Ciniello



Clara Guerrero smiles as she gets her local trophy from Pat Ciniello



some of our guests enjoying themselves



Maria Bulanova receives her high game award from Patrice Gibbons



Chris and Brittni with Rod Ross, the USA team coach and the Bent Petersen trophy for top country. The trophy was donated by our official photographer, Hero Noda, and named after Bent Petersen, a stalwart of QubicaAMF and the World Cup. Sadly Bent died just a few weeks after the 50th World Cup

Participants

Australia	Glen Loader, Kaitlyn Commane
Azerbaijan	Elkhan Feyzulayev, Viola Zharko
Azores	Pedro Toste, Antonieta Costa
Bahamas	Leonardo Davis, Xynae Johnson
Bahrain	Mohamed Mustafa Janahi
Belarus	Dmitri Chilkin, Aksana Sinitsa
Belgium	Clement Dubus, Christelle Piccoli
Bermuda	Renalda Bean, June Dill
Brazil	Renan Zoghaib, Neuza Kae
Bulgaria	Radoslav Tenchev, Sofiya Hristova
Canada	Michael Schmidt, Caroline Lagrange
Catalonia	Artur Colomer, Lia Mojarro
Colombia	Manuel Otalora, Clara Juliana Guerrero
Costa Rica	Alejandro Reyna, Viviana Delgado Cruz
Croatia	Vedran Vedris, Ivana Krajacic
Czech Republic	Jiri Beran, Katerina Bestova
Dominican Republic	Aumi Guerra
El Salvador	Giancarlo Matteucci
England	Steve Thornton, Danni Hopcroft
Eritrea	Belay Habtom
Estonia	Olari Nebokat, Terje Roosi
Ethiopia	Getachew Syoum Aberha, Firehiwot Tamene Woldegiorgis
Finland	Juhani Tonteri, Piritta Maja
France	Thibault Lanos, Amandine Jacques
French Guiana	Marc Du
Germany	Tobias Bording, Martina Schutz
Gibraltar	Adam Shrubbs
Greece	Pavlos Kechagias, Alexandra Zorba
Hong Kong	Him Chung, Anne Kwong
Hungary	Gergely Kapronczay, Viktoria Morcz
Iceland	Magnus Magnusson, Gudny Gunnarsdottir
India	Dhruv Sarda, Sabeena Saleem
Iran	Seyed Hamidreza Seyed Azizollah, Maryam Vanaki
Iraq	Shant Panos Tomassian
Ireland	Aidan Byrne, Amanda Larkin
Israel	Oron Cohen, Sarit Mizrahi
Italy	Tommaso Radi, Simona Pia Maria Fasol
Jersey	Nathan Jarvis, Liz Wall
Jordan	Mohammad Almasri
Kazakhstan	Ilya Orlov
Kosovo	Shema Mehmeti
Kyrgyzstan	Oleg Ten, Azhar Baitulayeva
Latvia	Arturs Levikins, Maria Tkachenko
Libya	Redha El Fezzani
Lithuania	Kestutis Gudauskas, Daiva Perminiene
Luxembourg	David Manderscheid, Nora Turci
Macau	Io Fai Choi, Wong Si Che
Malaysia	Syafiq Ridhwan, Li Jane Sin
Malta	Neil Ellul Sullivan, Sue Abela
Mauritius	Steeve Thia Song Fat, Nasheeha King
Mexico	Isi Eskenazi, Sandra Gongora
Moldova	Aureliu Grosu
Mongolia	Baatar Shar, Dorgolmaa Tumurjav
Netherlands	Eric Kok, Jolanda Visser
New Caledonia	Boris Capelli, Samy-Anna Saba
New Zealand	Jason Waters, Bianca Tofilau
Northern Ireland	Alan Smith, Donna Horton
Norway	Tore Rokkones, Heidi Thorstensen
Panama	Alexis Moreno, Edissa Andrade
Philippines	Engelberto "Biboy" Rivera, Liza del Rosario
Poland	Michal Brachaniec, Lucyna Charezinska
Portugal	Cristina Soares
Puerto Rico	Jean Francisco Perez, Mariana Ayala
Qatar	Yousef Al Jabir
Reunion	Frederic Barre, Dominique Merlo
Romania	Romeo Gagenoiu, Luminita Farkas Bucin
Russia	Alexei Parshukov, Maria Bulanova
Saudi Arabia	Bader Alalshikh
Scotland	Mark McQueen, Holly Fleming
Singapore	Jaris Goh, Cherie Tan
Slovakia	Lukas Andrassy, Petra Stankova
Slovenia	Jozko Hlede, Ljuba Ceglar
South Africa	Ronnie Matthee, Ursula Ekermans
Spain	Lorenzo Quereda Ferre, Carolina Munoz Huerta
Sweden	Magnus Johnson Jr, Rebecca Larsen
Switzerland	Kwan Harn-Chieh, Bigi Manico
Tunisia	Khaled Meziou, Hela Meziou
Turkey	Taygun Erkeskin, Adile Sevgi Michajlow
UAE	Nayef Eqab Jabber
Ukraine	Mykhaylo Kalika, Daria Kovalova
Uruguay	William Darwin Rodriguez Ortiz
USA	Chris Barnes, Brittini Hamilton
Uzbekistan	Askar Egamberdiev, Tatyana Lefter
Virgin Islands	Theresa Depka
Wales	Lyndon Walters, Kylie Bromley

Winners

YEAR	HOST CITY & COUNTRY	WINNER	COUNTRY
1965	Dublin, Ireland	Lauri Ajanto	Finland
1966	London, England	John Wilcox	USA
1967	Paris, France	Jack Connaughton	USA
1968	Guadalajara, Mexico	Fritz Blum	West Germany
1969	Tokyo, Japan	Graydon Robinson	Canada
1970	Copenhagen, Denmark	Klaus Muller	West Germany
1971	Hong Kong	Roger Dalkin	USA
1972	Hamburg, West Germany	Ray Mitchell	Canada
		Irma Urrea	Mexico
1973	Singapore	Bernie Caterer	Great Britain
		Kesinee Srivises	Thailand
1974	Caracas, Venezuela	Jairo Ocampo	Colombia
		Birgitte Lund	Denmark
1975	Manila, the Philippines	Lorenzo Monti	Italy
		Cathy Townsend	Canada
1976	Teheran, Iran	Paeng Nepomuceno	Philippines
		Lucy Giovenco	USA
1977	London, England	Arne Stroem	Norway
		Rea Rennox	Canada
1978	Bogota, Colombia	Samran Banyan	Thailand
		Lita de la Rosa	Philippines
1979	Bangkok, Thailand	Philippe Dubois	France
		Bon Coo	Philippines
1980	Jakarta, Indonesia	Paeng Nepomuceno	Philippines
		Jean Gordon	Canada
1981	New York, United States	Bob Worrall	USA
		Pauline Smith	Great Britain
1982	Scheveningen, Netherlands	Arne Stroem	Norway
		Jeanette Baker	Australia
1983	Mexico City, Mexico	You Tien-Chu	Chinese Taipei
		Jeanette Baker	Australia
1984	Sydney, Australia	Jack Jurek	USA
		Eliana Rigato	Italy
1985	Seoul, South Korea	Alfonso Rodriguez	Mexico
		Marjorie McEntee	Ireland
1986	Copenhagen, Denmark	Peter Ljung	Sweden
		Annette Hagre	Sweden
1987	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	Remo Fornasari	Italy
		Irene Gronert	Netherlands
1988	Guadalajara, Mexico	Mohammed Khalifa	UAE
		al-Qubeisi	USA
1989	Dublin, Ireland	Linda Kelly	Qatar
		Salem Al-Monsouri	USA
1990	Pattaya, Thailand	Patty Ann	USA
		Tom Hahl	Finland
		Linda Graham	USA
1991	Beijing, China	Jon Juneau	USA
		Asa Larsen	Sweden
1992	Le Mans, France	Paeng Nepomuceno	Philippines
		Martina Beckel	Germany
1993	Johannesburg, South Africa	Rainer Puisis	Germany
		Pauline (Smith) Buck	Great Britain
1994	Hermosillo, Mexico	Tore Torgerson	Norway
		Anne Jacobs	South Africa
1995	Sao Paulo, Brazil	Patrick Healey Jr	USA
		Gemma Burden	Great Britain
1996	Belfast, Northern Ireland	Paeng Nepomuceno	Philippines
		Cara Honeychurch	Australia
1997	Cairo, Egypt	Christian Nokol	Germany
		Su-Fen Tseng	Chinese Taipei
1998	Kobe, Japan	Cheng-Ming Yang	Chinese Taipei
		Maxine Nable	Australia
1999	Las Vegas, USA	Ahmed Shaheen	Qatar
		Amanda Bradley	Australia
2000	Lisbon, Portugal	Tomas Leandersson	Norway
		Mel Isaac	Wales
2001	Pattaya, Thailand	Kim Haugen	Norway
		Nachimi Itakura	Japan
2002	Riga, Latvia	Mika Luoto	Finland
		Shannon Pluhowsky	USA
2003	Tegucigalpa, Honduras	C.J. Suarez	Philippines
		Kerry Ryan-Ciach	Canada
2004	Singapore	Kai Virtanen	Finland
		Shannon Pluhowsky	USA
2005	Ljubljana, Slovenia	Michael Schmidt	Canada
		Lynda Barnes	USA
2006	Caracas, Venezuela	Osku Palermaa	Finland
		Diandra Asbaty	USA
2007	St. Petersburg, Russia	Bill Hoffman	USA
		Ann Maree Putney	Australia
2008	Hermosillo, Mexico	Derek Eoff	USA
		Jasmine Yeong-Nathan	Singapore
2009	Melaka, Malaysia	Choi Yong-Kyu	Korea
		Caroline Lagrange	Canada
2010	Toulon, France	Michael Schmidt	Canada
		Aumi Guerra	Dominican Republic
2011	Johannesburg, South Africa	Jason Belmonte	Australia
		Aumi Guerra	Dominican Republic
2012	Wroclaw, Poland	Syafiq Rhidwan Abdul Malek	Malaysia
		Shayna Ng	Singapore
2013	Krasnoyarsk, Russia	Or Aviram	Israel
		Caroline Lagrange	Canada
2014	Wroclaw, Poland	Chris Barnes	USA
		Clara Juliana Guerrero	Colombia

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MEN			
Year	Venue	Name	Country
1994	Hermosillo, Mexico	Jack Guay	Canada
1995	Sao Paulo, Brazil	Jack Guay	Canada
		Patrick Healey Jr	USA
1997	Cairo, Egypt	Ahmed Shaheen	Qatar
1998	Kobe, Japan	Paul Boyle	England
1999	Las Vegas, USA	Kenny Ang	Malaysia
		Mohammed Khalifa al-Qubeisi	UAE
		Shigeo Saito	Japan
2000	Lisbon, Portugal	Tomas Leandersson	Sweden
		Tore Torgerson	Norway
2001	Pattaya, Thailand	Scott Norton	USA
2002	Riga, Latvia	Wayne Greenall	England
		Kai Guenther	Germany
		Paul Trotter	Australia
2003	Tegucigalpa, Honduras	Bill Hoffman	USA
2004	Singapore	Matthew Berges	Switzerland
		Pawel Bielski	Poland
		Petter Hansen	Norway
		Chester King	Philippines
		Andrejus Puskariovas	Lithuania
		Yahav Rabin	Israel
		Kai Virtanen	Finland
2005	Ljubljana, Slovenia	Anders Ohman	Sweden
		Steve Thornton	England
		Badr al Sheikh	Saudi Arabia
		Tamas Szabo	Hungary
2006	Caracas, Venezuela	Osku Palermaa (twice)	Finland
		Ryan Lalisang	Philippines
2007	St. Petersburg, Russia	Jason Belmonte	Australia
		Aygyrios Ketsztzis	Greece
		Ildemaro Ruiz	Venezuela
2008	Hermosillo, Mexico	Nikita Kosheliev	Russia
		Zulmazran Zukifli	Malaysia
2009	Melaka, Malaysia	Choi Yong-Kyu	Korea
2011	Johannesburg, South Africa	Lucas Legnani	Argentina
		Jason Belmonte (twice)	Australia
		Biboy Rivera	Philippines
		Tommy Jones	USA
2012	Wroclaw, Poland	Mykhaylo Kalika	Ukraine
2013	Krasnoyarsk, Russia	Or Aviram (twice)	Israel
		Kestutis Gudauskas	Lithuania
		Mykhaylo Kalika	Ukraine
		Derek Lee	Macau
		Mats Maggi	Belgium
		Chris Sloan (twice)	Ireland
		Nino Stenko	Slovenia
		Joel Tan	Singapore
		Tore Torgersen (twice)	Norway
		Alex de Vries	Netherlands
2014	Wroclaw, Poland	Neil Ellul Sullivan	Malta
		Artur Colomer	Catalonia
		Juhani Tonteri	Finland
		Chris Barnes	USA
WOMEN			
Year	Venue	Name	Country
1997	Cairo, Egypt	Shalin Zulkifli	Malaysia
1999	Las Vegas, USA	Jill Friis	Canada
2000	Lisbon, Portugal	Diane Buchanan	Canada
2002	Riga, Latvia	Lisa Paluzzi	South Africa
2004	Singapore	Wendy Bergen	Belgium
2006	Caracas, Venezuela	Laura Rhoney	Scotland
2008	Hermosillo, Mexico	Sara Vargas	Colombia
		Jasmine Yeong-Nathan	Singapore
		Cookie Lee	Hong Kong
2012	Wroclaw, Poland	Danielle McEwan	USA
2013	Krasnoyarsk, Russia	Marie Lourdes Arles	Philippines
		Caroline Lagrange	Canada
		Roosa Lunden	Finland



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