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Message from the President

The October Super Nations Cup in Tianjin, China was a great success with Argentina winning the tournament after defeating the USA in an exciting match. The World Snow Polo Tournament in Tianjin, China was also a great success, when Hong Kong emerged as the winner. Media coverage of the Snow Polo event was very extensive. Live Chinese television and live streaming internet coverage reached several million viewers.

FIP is pleased to welcome Monaco as a new Corresponding Member and Qatar and

Oman as Full Members of FIP.

FIP committees and officers are actively pursuing the scheduling for the upcoming Zone Playoffs and the 2014 World Cup Tournament.

The frequency of the FIP Newsletter will continue to increase and will be sent to your personal e-mail address. The FIP website is being redesigned with a projected launch date in the near future.

Your officers and committee members welcome your input and appreciate your support.



Dr. Richard T. Caleel

79th Ambassador's Cup in Port Mayaca

Participants in the 79th FIP Ambassadors Cup can expect to take advantage of all that Port Mayaca Polo Club, Florida USA has to offer. This includes polo on 5 Championship fields, lunch at Port Mayaca on each game day, and a Welcome Cocktail Party, hosted by Port Mayaca Polo Club. The facility strives to promote both family oriented and highly competitive polo from December to April. They are located just 1 hour from Palm Beach, Wellington, and International Polo

Club, Palm Beach.

The 79th Ambassador's Cup will be played April 2-7, 2013.





Thank you Association President Antonio Aycinena

“The tournament began with great enthusiasm and energy from all the kids and parents. Everybody had a good time.”



Congratulations to players and organizers including club Pro Gonzalo Novillo Corvalán on a great Tournament.....

Asociación Nacional de Polo de Guatemala hosted 25 PeeWee and Junior polo players from Argentina, Guatemala, El Salvador, Costa Rica, Mexico and USA for five days of polo, food and fun. For more: 215 photos go to album III Campeonato Internacional Infantil Juvenil de Polo on Facebook.

Infantil / PeeWee: Raúl Molina de León, Lorenzo Calvo, Harry Zurcher, Sebastián Aguilar de Paz, Enrique García, Alejandro Ducoing, Nicolas Neutze C., Luis Roberto Aguilar de Paz, and Mariana Beltranena.

Juvenil / Junior: Pablo Aguilar Lopez, Felipe Pistone, Liam Lott, William Green, Jose Emiliano Ayala B., Juan José Borja, Luis Olazabal Jr., Andrés Balderas, Manuel Aguilar Lopez, Mariana Garibay, Cristian Aycinena, Jose María Más, Ayaan Quraeshi, Enrique Neutze C., Lorenzo Creixell, and Jose Alfonso Ayala B.



Annual International Polo Festival

Hello everybody! I'm writing to inform you about the events during the International Polo Festival, which is played every year in Rosario, Argentina. Despite the storms and rain we could finally end the season –on January 14th!!- very successfully. Attached are some photos of the teams who won FIP medals.

We had the presence of Mr. Alfredo Garrone (AAP

professional umpire for Rosario City and Santa Fe province), who umpired the 3 finals.

Story/photos:
Submitted by:
Martín Román



Resario, Argentina

*Les mando un
saludo grande
desde Rosario y
desde ya muchas
gracias!*

Polo Internacional en Rosario Diciembre del 2012

Hola a todos! Les informo lo sucedido durante el Festival de Polo Internacional que celebramos cada año en Rosario. A pesar de las tormentas y lluvias que hemos padecido, logramos culminar la temporada -que se extendió hasta el 14 de Enero! - con mucho éxito :)

Adjunto fotos de los tres equipos que fueron premiados con las medallas de la FIP.

Les cuento que hemos contado por primera vez con la presencia del Sr. Alfredo Garrone (referee profesional de la AAP por Rosario y la Provincia de Santa Fe), quien vino a dirigirnos las tres finales que disputamos.



Snow Polo is a win-win!

Snow polo is becoming the next big thing as more venues are coming online around the world. The FIP sponsored World Championships are in Tianjin, China and they're already gearing up for next year! Their third year (January 9-17, 2014) promises to be even bigger

and better as teams from twelve nations showcase their best efforts to take home the trophy. FIP joins with Fortune Heights, the Goldin Group, and Metropolitan Polo Club to make it one of the prestige tournaments for winter in the Northern Hemisphere.



Winners 2nd FIP World Snow Polo Championships in Tianjin, China

Special award for the Prince of Jodhpur

Farouk Younes, President of the Egyptian Polo Federation presented a special award on behalf of FIP to Yuvraj Shivraj Singh, heir apparent, and son of Gaj Singh, the immensely popular Maharaja of Jodhpur (Bapji) . The FIP special award to Shivraj states *"Polo Ambassador Shivraj Your Spirit and Attitude are Examples"*



This award was originally presented by Dr. Richard T. Caleel, FIP President at the FIP annual General Assembly in Buenos Aires December 2012

Monte Carlo Polo Team win at Cortina Snow Polo



FIP's newest Corresponding Member, the Monte Carlo Polo Team took Cortina Snow Polo by storm this past February with a final score of 10-6.5. The John Taylor - Monte Carlo Polo Team won the 24th edition of the Cortina Winter Polo - Audi Gold Cup on Snow, held from February 17 to 23, 2013 in Cortina d'Ampezzo. five teams entered the tournament, featuring a host of international players coming from Argentina, Germany, Spain, Ireland, Italy and UK.

The new President Rommy Gianni is pictured here with his team mates. The new Vice President is Marco Meneghini. They represent the only playing association in Monaco.



Rommy Gianni, Luca D'orzaio, Dario Musso, Juan Cruz Greguoli



Thank you FIP Ambassador Ricardo Mihanovich, Jr. for news/photos on Hungarian Polo Life



Photos from Contributors



The Hungarian team was 2nd in the Dubai Nations Cup here with Tombor Andras, the new President of the Hungarian Polo Association. Final match result was 5:6 Dubai Sheik Daughter team versus Lucas Monteverde.

The Slovakian BMW Snow Polo Tournament 2nd place Hungarian team was: Dr. Ivanics György, Ivanics Leonard, Kunczly Ádám



Thank you Rabii Benadada, Sports Media Contributor, Rabat



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FIP CELEBRATES 30 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

The FIP General Assembly was well attended for its annual round of meetings, cocktail parties, luncheons and polo matches. Members from around the globe found camaraderie and friendship during the four days of committee meetings, Ambassador Cup polo, scheduled venues for the wives, and plenty of world class championship polo that Argentina can

host so well, The business of governing polo is taken seriously by the diligent volunteers that attended and hard work was well rewarded both on and off the field. The thirty year anniversary logo

was unveiled at the General Assembly and long range plans are being crafted to make sure that FIP continues to grow both their membership and the many sponsored international events that are the hallmark of FIP's mission both for adults and children. The next General Assembly will be in Buenos Aires again

Thursday, December 5, 2013.



**FIP MEMBERS Buenos Aires
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