



## 1960 Games in Rome

The Games in Rome marked the beginning of the importance of television revenue in the Olympics, and above all, within the finances of the IOC, even if its arrival as an important part of the programme was little noticed by the majority of people. Undoubtedly, the impact the Games heightened because of the volume of television transmission, thanks to Eurovision, which was on air for 93 hours and 40 minutes. A total of 143 commentators arrived from 38 countries to report on the event, along with 223 accredited technicians. The television contracts gave the organisation committee a revenue of 1,178,257 US dollars. The Rome Games also witnessed many dramas: a Danish cyclist, Knud Eneberg-Jensen, died following a 100km team time trial due to a combination of doping and exposure. He became only the second person to die during the Olympic Games, after the death of the Portuguese marathon runner Francisco Lazaro in 1912. Meanwhile, the final of the 100m freestyle swimming event ended in total confusion. Australia's John Devitt and the American Lance Larson were elbow to elbow at the end of the race, the judges choosing to give the benefit of the doubt to Devitt. But after consulting the official times, the American was given the advantage by a 100th of a second (55.1 against 55.2), while the electronic timing device sent Devitt at 55.16 and Larson at 55.10. Yet, despite the support of both electronic timing devices, the judges declared the Australian the winner. The Americans spent the next four years trying to look for an explanation for the decision, but their efforts proved to be in vain.



**SYDNEY, Sept 28 (AFP):** Daily schedule for Friday Day 14 at the Sydney Olympics:

**ATHLETICS**  
Olympic Stadium  
Men's 4 x 100m Relay Round 1, Women's 4 x 100m Relay Round 1, Men's 4 x 400m Relay Round 1  
Men's Pole Vault Final, Women's Long Jump Final, Women's 4 x 100m Relay Semifinals, Men's 4 x 100m Relay Semifinals, Women's 4 x 400m Relay Round 1, Men's 4 x 400m Relay Semifinals

**FOOTBALL**  
Sydney Football Stadium  
Men's Bronze Medal Match

**HOCKEY**  
State Hockey Centre  
Men's Classification, Women's Bronze Medal Game, Women's Gold Medal Game

**BASKETBALL**  
Sydney Convention Centre  
Men's Classification, Women's Bronze Medal Game, Women's Gold Medal Game

**BOXING**  
Sydney Convention Centre  
Men's 48kg, Women's 48kg

**GYMNASIA**  
Sydney Convention Centre  
Men's 48kg, Women's 48kg

**ARTISTIC GYMNASTICS**  
Sydney Convention Centre  
Men's 48kg, Women's 48kg

**SYNCHRONISED SWIMMING**  
Sydney Convention Centre  
Men's 48kg, Women's 48kg

**TAEKWONDO**  
Sydney Convention Centre  
Men's 48kg, Women's 48kg

**VOLLEYBALL**  
Sydney Convention Centre  
Men's 48kg, Women's 48kg

**WATER POLO**  
Sydney Convention Centre  
Men's 48kg, Women's 48kg

**FREESTYLE WRESTLING**  
Sydney Convention Centre  
Men's 48kg, Women's 48kg

## Savon into third final

**SYDNEY, Sept 28:** Cuban boxing legend Felix Savon reached his third Olympic heavyweight final after outpointing tenacious German Sebastian Kober here Thursday, reports AFP.

The 33-year-old Savon, who has won six world titles, beat Kober 14-8 but met stiff resistance from the walk-up German.

Savon had a cut under his left eye opened during the third round but boxed through without great difficulty.

Savon, an imposing 1.98-metre colossus with a career to match, is amateur boxing's greatest current warrior who is pursuing a hat-trick of Olympic titles.

He is out to equal the record of Hungarian László Papp and countryman Teófilo Stevenson with three boxing golds each.

He will face Russian Sultanahmed Ibragimov in Saturday's final after Ibragimov beat Georgia's Vladimir Tchantouria 15-4 in a semifinal that was booed throughout by the crowd.

On Tuesday Savon won the fight that many believed should have been the final when he outpointed American world champion Michael Bennett 23-8 in a bout that was stopped by the referee under the 15-point mercy rule with three seconds left in the third round.

Savon's victory was Cuba's fourth out of five semifinals Thursday.

# Dutch-Korean finale

## HOCKEY

**SYDNEY, Sept 28:** Reigning champions the Netherlands and South Korea advanced to the final of the Olympic men's hockey with contrasting semifinal wins here on Thursday, reports AFP.

The Koreans, masterminded by their sharp-eyed strategist

Kim Sang-Ryul, set up their first appearance in the gold medal match with a 1-0 win over three-time champions Pakistan.

The Dutch rode their luck for the second time in three days to edge out hosts Australia 5-4 in the tie-breaker after both teams were locked goalless in 70 minutes of regulation play

and 15 minutes of extra-time. Saturday's final will feature two teams that benefitted from others' generosity to make the semifinals.

The Dutch had moved up only after Great Britain knocked Germany out of contention with a 2-1 win in the last league match on Tuesday.

The Koreans nudged ahead after Poland scored a last-gasp equaliser to hold India to a 1-1 draw.

Both India and the Koreans finished with equal points and the same goal difference, but the Koreans had advanced because of a 2-0 win over the Indians in the league.

The Dutch now get a chance to defend the title won at Atlanta four years ago and break the 40-year-old jinx that has denied any team back-to-back gold medals.

Their goalkeeper Ronald Jansen saved Brent Livermore's final penalty stroke with his stick to send the hosts into tears before a packed house at the 15,000-seater State Hockey Centre.

Bram Lomans, Wouter van Pelt, Piet-Hein Geeris, Stephan Veen and Marten Ekelboom converted their penalty strokes for the Dutch.

For Australia, Michael Brennan, Troy Elder, Adam Commins and James Elmer scored, before the 24-year-old Livermore crumbled under the growing pressure.

Livermore, who had earlier been handed a five-minute suspension for rough play, pushed to the right of Jansen, whose outstretched stick sent the ball out.

The Aussies failed to take a shot at their first Olympic gold medal despite finishing among the top four in their last six appearances. This was their first defeat in the tournament.

Australian coach Terry Walsh refused to blame Livermore, but lamented the missed chances.

"It was a tragic way to go out, but we did not convert the chances that came our way during the match," he said.

Dutch coach Maurits Hendriks was relieved. "We should have won in regulation time itself, because we dominated the second half," he said.

Both sides made fluent counter-attacks in the game played at a furious pace, but fumbled repeatedly before the goal.

Kim, the South Korean manager, had sat up all night watching videos of Pakistan's earlier games, particularly the penalty corner expertise of the deadly Sohail Abbas.

The effort paid off as the Koreans won 1-0.



**SONG'S WINNING SONG:** South Korean forward Seung-Tae Song (R) being chased by ecstatic teammates Kon-Wook Kang (top) and Jong-Hyun Hwang after he had scored against Pakistan in their men's hockey semifinal yesterday. —AFP photo

# Norway dethrone USA

## ICE HOCKEY

**SYDNEY, Sept 28:** Dagvis Mellgren's golden goal gave Norway a dramatic 3-2 victory and the gold medal in the Olympic soccer tournament here Thursday, ending the United States' reign as the

dominant force in the women's game, reports AFP.

Mellgren, a second-half substitute — appeared to control the ball with her arm in the 12th minute of the extra period but was allowed fire a shot low into the corner that the US goalkeeper Siri Mullinix should

have saved.

The result confirmed the Scandinavians' position as the nemesis of the US, who had previously been unbeaten in international competition since losing to Norway in the semifinal of the 1995 World Cup.

"We can claim to be the best side in the world now," said Norwegian coach Per-Mathias Hagmo.

"We have now beaten the US four times this year and China three times."

Tiffany Milbrett's last minute header from Mia Hamm's cross had forced the extra period after Norway had taken a scarcely deserved lead in the 77th minute.

Mullinix was again at fault, colliding with defender Joy Fawcett when dealing with a regulation cross to allow Ragnhild Gulbrandsen's header to fly into an empty net.

But Norway's real hero was goalkeeper Bente Nordby, who made a string of second-half saves to keep the scores level as the US threatened to run riot.

"You need matchwinners and Bente is a match-winner," said Hagmo.

"We were the better team in extra-time, we were the ones trying to create chances. We knew the US would tire and I told the players that it was our day."

US coach April Heinrichs paid tribute to the battling qualities of the Norwegians after seeing her team dominate the game but somehow end up with just silver medals.

"We have a deep respect for the Norwegians winning mentality — they are champions," she said.

"They kept their game plan simple and never gave up." But she refused to criticise the golden goal format. "I'm a big fan of it. There is no single better way to end a game of soccer," she said.

"We walked off the field with tears in our eyes but I am incredibly proud of my team. We played some magnificent football tonight. We only have silver but our game was golden."



**TAKING A NAP IN THE AIR!** Na Li and Xue Sang of China executing a routine in tandem during the final of the 10-metre platform yesterday. The pair won the gold. —AFP photo



**TWO IN THE BAG, THREE MORE TO GET:** The matchless Marion Jones celebrates after taking the women's 200 metres gold yesterday. Jones will compete in three more events and is the favourite in all of them. —AFP photo

# Three more to win

## ATHLETICS

**SYDNEY, Sept 28:** Marion Jones clinched her second Olympic gold with a blistering victory in the 200 metres here on Thursday, reports AFP.

The 24-year-old simply blew away the opposition, racing home in a shattering 21.84.

Pauline Davis-Thompson of the Bahamas took the silver in 22.27, the fastest 200m race of her life, and Sri Lanka's Sunanthika Jayasinghe gave her country only their second ever Olympic medal and the first for a woman when she snatched the bronze in 22.28, a new Sri Lankan record.

"All I feel is relief. I've sorted out the two sprints now I can concentrate on my challenge tomorrow," said Jones, who will attempt to win the women's long jump as she tries to become the first woman to win five track and field golds in a single Olympics.

"I didn't have a worry during the race," she added.

The outcome was never in doubt as Jones surged into the home straight in the lead. The only woman in the final to have run under 22 seconds Jones knew a repeat performance was all she needed.

She looked totally in control

at the start, the drugs scandal surrounding her shot putt husband CJ Hunter out of mind, as she burst from the blocks.

When she powered across the line her face showed her relief.

The normal winning grin of the former basketball star was replaced with a smile of satisfaction as she squatted on the track, knowing that she was two down and three more to go as she attempts to become the first woman in history to win five golds in a single Games.

Jones then went on a leisurely victory walk, clutching the American Stars and Stripes, punching her fist in the air as the 110,000 strong crowd in the Stadium Australia saluted her stunning sprint double.

As she neared the end of her lap of honour she went over to the stands and gave a kiss to her husband CJ, sitting amongst the crowd near to where she would soon return to the track to be presented with her medal.

Jones admitted she had been worried about a repeat of the World Championships in Seville last year when she collapsed in agony in the 200 metre semifinal with back strain.

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**THE LAST LAUGH WASN'T THEIRS:** American fans in fine spirit prior to the start of the ladies' football final against Norway yesterday. The US evs however lost by a golden goal. —AFP photo



**SYDNEY, Sept 28 (AFP):** Final Updated Olympics medals table on Thursday:

Country	G	S	B	T
USA	32	18	28	78
China	26	15	15	56
Russia	19	18	21	58
Australia	15	22	14	51
France	12	13	8	33
Italy	11	6	11	28
Romania	10	4	4	18
Germany	9	12	20	41
Netherlands	8	7	3	18
Great Britain	6	9	5	20
South Korea	6	8	9	23
Cuba	5	8	2	15
Japan	5	7	4	16
Bulgaria	5	3	2	10
Greece	4	5	1	10
Poland	4	4	1	9
Sweden	4	3	1	8
Ukraine	3	7	7	17
Hungary	3	2	1	6
Belarus	3	1	10	14
Spain	3	1	4	8
Turkey	3	0	1	4
Canada	2	2	5	9
Czech Rep	2	2	3	7
Finland	2	1	1	4
Austria	2	1	0	3
Lithuania	2	0	2	4
Iran	2	0	1	3
Slovenia	2	0	0	2
Switzerland	1	6	2	9
Indonesia	1	3	2	6
Slovakia	1	3	1	5
Norway	1	2	1	4
Mexico	1	2	0	3
Kazakhstan	1	1	0	2
New Zealand	1	0	3	4
Estonia	1	0	2	3
Ethiopia	1	0	2	3
Croatia	1	0	1	2
Latvia	1	0	1	2
Azerbaijan	1	0	0	1
Colombia	1	0	0	1
Mozambique	1	0	0	1
Brazil	0	4	3	7
Denmark	0	3	1	4
Belgium	0	2	3	5
Jamaica	0	2	2	4
Nigeria	0	2	0	2
Chinese Taipei	0	1	4	5
South Africa	0	1	3	4
North Korea	0	1	2	3
Argentina	0	1	1	2
Kenya	0	1	1	2
Trinidad	0	1	1	2
Bahamas	0	1	0	1
Ireland	0	1	0	1
Moldova	0	1	0	1
Saudi Arabia	0	1	0	1
Uruguay	0	1	0	1
Vietnam	0	1	0	1
Yugoslavia	0	1	0	1
Georgia	0	0	4	4
Algeria	0	0	2	2
Armenia	0	0	2	2
Costa Rica	0	0	2	2
Barbados	0	0	1	1
Iceland	0	0	1	1
India	0	0	1	1
Kyrgyzstan	0	0	1	1
Kuwait	0	0	1	1
Morocco	0	0	1	1
Portugal	0	0	1	1
Qatar	0	0	1	1
Sri Lanka	0	0	1	1
Thailand	0	0	1	1

## Fallen of the stars

**SYDNEY, Sept 28:** The International Olympic Committee's attempt to crack down on drug cheats has resulted in a spate of competitors being banned for positive tests either before or during the Games, reports AFP.

The following is the list of competitors banned from the Sydney Olympics:

\* Bulgarian 52kg weightlifter Ivan Ivanov stripped of silver medal after testing positive for banned diuretic (Sept 20)

\* Belarus hammer thrower Vadim Devyatovskiy, tested positive for steroid nandrolone (Sept 20)

\* Bulgarian woman weightlifter Izabela Dragneva stripped of gold medal after testing positive for banned diuretic (Sept 22)

\* Bulgarian weightlifter Sevdalin Munchiev stripped of bronze medal after testing positive for banned diuretic (Sept 22)

\* Latvian rower Andris Reinholds tested positive to steroids, ejected from Games and facing life ban (Sept 24)

\* Romanian gymnast Andreea Raducanu, stripped of gold medal after positive test for stimulant taken in a cold pill (Sept 26)

## Family feat

**SYDNEY, Sept 28:** Venus Williams claimed her second gold of the Sydney Olympics when she teamed up with younger sister Serena to sweep aside their Dutch opponents in the final of the women's doubles here on Thursday, reports AFP.

The Williams overpowered Kristie Boogert and Miriam Oremans 6-1, 6-1 to finish the tournament without having dropped a single set.