

International Masters' Speed Skating Committee (IMSSC)

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Latest Speed Skating News (2012/2013)

25 Feb 2013

22nd ALLROUND GAMES – Small Report vs. The 22nd Masters' International Masters' Allround Games were held on 22 – 24 Feb 2013 in the Max Aicher Arena, the new icehall in Inzell/Germany. 182 Master skaters (40 Ladies and 142 Men) from 17 Nations (AUT 2, BEL 1, BLR 4, CAN 4, ESP 1, FIN 9, GER 29, ITA 9, JAP 2, KAZ 4, NED 57, NOR 36, ROU 1, RUS 13, SUI 5, SWE 1, USA 4) competed on good ice and reached good results. So 20 IMSSC Records from the IMSSC Records List 2012 were lowered by several skaters: Marja Smies-Oenema/F55/NED 500 m 46,17 sec, 1000 m 1:30,31 min, 1500 m 2:19,27 min, 4 distance combination (500, 1500/1000, 3000 m) 188,219 points; **Gerdien Meijer/F45/NED** 500 m 43,03 sec; Jacqueline Munzel/F45/NED 1500 m 2:09,39 min; Martin Haakon Fagna/M80/NOR 500 m 55,29 sec*, 1000 m 1:51,71 min*, 1500 m 2:58,67 min, 4 distance combination (500, 1500/1000, 3000 m) 235,622 points (* = times already lowered three weeks before at the 16th Masters' International Sprint Classics in Inzell); Toon Kooijmans/M75/NED 1000 m 1:34,01 min, 1500 m 2:24,82; **Wim Brand/M70/NED** 1500 m 2:17,49 min, 4 distance



combination (500, 1500/1000, 3000 m) 186,941 points; Arjan Bakker/M50/NED 3000 m 4:04,59 min, 4 distance combination (500, 3000/1500, 5000 m) 163,832 points; Jan **Duif/M50/NED** 1500 m 1:56,89 points; **Johannes de Groot/M35/NED** 3000 m 3:59,45 min, 4 distance combination (500, 3000/1500, 5000 m) 159,135 points; Robert Binna/M30/AUT 3000 m 4:02,11 min. For the first time Mass Start Races were skated for the Men and Ladies, who could not do the 4th distance because of the restriction of the number of participants at the 4th distance. It was much fun. The first three skaters in the Races were: Ladies (AG 35-55) 6 Laps: Irma Woud/NED 4:02,98 min, Anika Bédard/CAN and Iris Hanisch/GER. Men (AG 65-75) 8 Laps: Per Nygard/NOR 7:35,92 min, Bernhard Goosen/SUI and Bruno Toniolli/ITA. Men (AG 40-60) 8 Laps: Adriaan Provoost/NED 5:01,23 min, Aleksandr Kharchenko/RUS and Flavio Rigon/ITA. After the **Drawing** on Thursday afternoon there was the **Welcome Drink** where the participants of the competition met and talked about former and the coming competitions and enjoyed drinks and tasty finger food. The **Victory Ceremony** was held directly after the end of the competitions at about 15:00 – 16:00 in the middle of the Max Aicher Arena. At 19:00 started the Closing Banquet

in the nice **Festival Hall of Inzell** with Bavarian outfit. After short speeches from Mr. Graf, Head of the Organizing Committee in Inzell, with thanks to the participants of the competition, Mr. Tjeerd Smies, IMSSC President, with thanks to the Organizing Committee for the hard work for organizing this competition, and Mr. Leknes from Stavanger/Norway, inviting for the 23rd Masters Allround Games in 2014 in Stavanger, the **Bavarian Buffet** was opened. During the evening a **Band** with tuba, concertina and guitar played nice Bavarian music.

You can find the **results** of the three competition days here:

1st Day: http://www.eisstadion-inzell.de/results/136154850133314.html
http://www.eisstadion-inzell.de/results/136164039875017.html
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22nd ALLROUND GAMES – Starting Order

vs. The **Starting Order of the 22nd Masters' International ALLROUND GAMES** in Inzell/GERMANY on 22 – 24 Feb 2013 has been **issued now for the first two days**:

1st Day: www.imssg.org/13-starting-order-allr-games-1stday.pdf.
2nd Day: www.imssg.org/13-starting-order-allr-games-3ndday.pdf.
3rd Day: www.imssg.org/13-starting-order-allr-games-1stday.pdf.

20 Feb 2013

22^{nd} ALLROUND GAMES - TIMETABLE

vs. The **Timetable of the 22nd Masters' International ALLROUND GAMES** in Inzell/GERMANY on 22 – 24 Feb 2013 has been **issued now**, see **www.imssg.org/13-timetable-allr-games-inzell-1.pdf**.

11 Feb 2013

16th Masters' MASTER CUP Berlin/GER

vs. The 16th Masters' International Speed Skating MASTER CUP was held on 09 -10 Feb 2013 in the Icehall of the Sportforum Berlin-Hohenschönhausen. 63 skaters (11 Ladies and 52 Men) from 7 Nations (BEL 1, CAN 1, GER 26, NED 5, NOR 24, RUS 5, SWE 1) competed on very good ice and reached good results and many personal best times at the 4



distance combinations, which will be skated also at the 22^{nd} Masters' International ALLROUND GAMES two weeks later in Inzell/GER: 500 m, 1500 m/1000 m, 3000 m (F 20-60 and M 65-80); 500 m, 3000 m/1500 m, 5000 m (M 20-60). All skaters were allowed to skate the fourth distances, 3000 m respectively the 5000 m. Martin Haakon Fagna/M 80/ NOR lowered an IMSSC Record from 2012, 1000 m 1:56,01 min. But it was not a new record

because of the better times reached at M 80 one week before in Inzell at the 16th International Masters' SPRINT CLASSICS (see below). The jury and staff around the competition leader **Jörg Krakow** were very competent and lead the competition well. After the 4 distance combinations a **Team Pursuit for Men (8 laps) and Ladies (6 laps)** took place. **2 teams Ladies** (GER L 20-45 and RUS/CAN/GER L 40-45) and **4 teams Men** (NOR I – M 20-25, NOR II M 20-25, GER/BEL M 40-50 and GER M 50-65) had a lot of fun. The best times were 3:57,10 min for 6 laps Ladies and 4:10,73 min for 8 laps Men. The icehall in Berlin-Hohenschönhausen is the second place where a Team Pursuit for Masters took place (the first was Kolomna in Russia). After the drawing on Friday evening at the Hotel Kolumbus there was a very good and substantial buffet for all participants, where the participants of the different countries met and discussed the coming competitions. You find the **complete results** on the website **www.eisschnelllauf-in-berlin.de**.

03 Feb 2013

16th Masters' SPRINT CLASSICS Inzell/GER

vs. On Saturday and Sunday, 02 - 03 Feb 2013 the 16^{th} Masters' International Speed Skating SPRINT CLASSICS took place in Inzell/Germany at the Max Aicher Arena under very good conditions. The ice was fast and the jury and staff around Hubert Graf, the leader of the competition and head of the organizing committee, guided the competition perfectly. 91



competitors (24 Ladies and 67 Men) from 11
Nations (AUT 1, BEL 1, CAN 2, GER 32, HUN
2, ITA 1, NED 20, NOR 13, RUS 7, SUI 3, UKR
9) competed with much fun in the interesting icehall with its large windows and nice sight to the nature around the hall. A lot of personal bests were reached and also 8 IMSSC Records from 2012 were lowered by two competitors: Marja Oenema/F 55/NED 500 m 46,46 sec, 1000 m 1:31,67, 1000 m 1:31,32, 4 Distance Sprint Combination (500 m, 1000 m/500 m, 1000 m) 185,675 points; Willy Caboor/M80/BEL 500 m 53,04 sec, 500 m 52,92 sec, 1000 m 1:50,28 min, 4 Distance Sprint Combination (500 m, 1000

m/500 m, 1000 m) 216,580 points. We were happy that we had also competitors from Hungary and a larger team of 9 skaters of the Ukraine with their leader Olexandr Simonenko from Kiew. It was fine to have a lot of skaters in high age groups, 9 skater M 70, 2 skater M 75, 4 skater M 80, with astonishing fitness. The picture shows the winner of M 80, Willy Caboor/BEL, Martin Haakon Fagna/NOR, Wim de Graaf/NED, at the victory ceremony. It was a great advantage to skate in the icehall, because it was snowing in Inzell on both competition days. After the drawing on Thursday there was a Common Supper in the Ice House at the Max Aicher Arena. It was a pity that only 30 of about 70 skaters, who had announced their coming on the entry form, did participate. On the website www.eisstadion-inzell.de you find on two files the complete results of the two competition days.

08 Dec 2012

9th Masters' CRITERION Erfurt/GER

vs. The 9th Masters' International Speed Skating CRITERION was held in Erfurt/Germany on 01 – 02 Dec 2012 in the nice Gunda-Niemann-Stirnemann-Icehall at perfect fast ice. 118 Masters from 7 Nations (BEL 1, CAN 1, GER 44, NED 48, NOR 16, RUS 6, SUI 2) competed in a 4 distance allround combination (500 m, 1500 m/1000 m, 3000 m) and reached good results. One IMSSC Record 2012 was broken by Arjan

Bakker/NED: 4 distance allround combination (500 m, 1500 m/1000 m, 3000 m) **163,701 points**. All participants seemed to be happy at the victory ceremony because of the fine competition, well guided by the jury and organizing team around Marian Thoms and Horst Gebauer. The participants enjoyed also the old town of Erfurt and the wonderful Chistmas Market at the Domplatz under the impressive ensemble of two large old romanic/gothic churches, the Dom St. Marien and St. Severi Church.

07 Nov 2012

1st Masters' SHORT TRACK GAMES

vs. The announcement of the 1st Masters' International SHORT TRACK GAMES on 6 – 7 Apr 2013 in Cicero (NY)/USA has been published and entries for this competition are already possible (see www.imstc.org and https://www.safepayevents.com/MastersInternationalShorttrack/).

07 Oct 2012

Waiting Lists ALLROUND GAMES

vs. It is a pity, but not all skaters who want to take part in the 22nd Masters' International Allround GAMES on 22 – 24 Feb 2013 in Inzell/GER can skate at this competition because the total number of participants is restricted to 200. So the quota for the different nations are limited and not large enough for taking up all interested Masters. For example the quota for OTHER NATIONS (all nations besides FIN, GER, ITA, NED, NOR, RUS) is only 36, but we have already 55 entries. So we have already 19 skaters who are on the waiting list OTHER NATIONS at the moment. And only some skaters on the waiting list, maybe up to 5, have a slight chance still to replace somebody on the quota list if they fall ill or are hindered by other reasons. For the skaters on the waiting list it may be a good alternative to take part in the 16th Masters' International MASTER CUP on 09 – 10 Feb 2012 in Berlin. That is two weeks earlier, but the distances are the same at the MASTER CUP as at the GAMES, the ice in Berlin and the jury are perfect and Berlin is an interesting town (see www.imssg.org/12-ann.html).

01 Oct 2012

Competitions in GERMANY and SWITZERLAND in 2012/2013

vs. Because of practical reasons the announcements of the Masters International Competitions in GERMANY and in SWITZERLAND will still be issued on the "Archive Website of the IMSSC" under www.imssg.org/12-ann.html. There you find the Announcements, the Electronic Entry Forms and the Entry Lists of the following Competitions:

9th CRITERION Erfurt/GER 2012, 13th DAVOS MEETING Davos/SUI 2013, 16th SPRINT CLASSICS Inzell/GER 2013, 16th MASTER CUP Berlin 2013 and 22nd ALLROUND GAMES Inzell/GER2013. You find the announcements also on the "New IMSSC Website of the IMSSC" www.imssc.org.

01 Oct 2012

Masters' International Competition Calendar 2012/2013

vs. The Masters' International Competition Calendar 2012/2013 will still be actualized on this "Archive Website of the IMSSC" www.imssg.org. It will also be issued soon on the "New Website of the IMSSC" www.imssc.org.

01 Oct 2012

IMSSC – New IMSSC Structure

vs. The **35th IMSSC Session was held in Krefeld/Germany on 02 Jun 2012** as already reported more in detail in "Latest Speed Skating News 2012/2012" on 3rd June 2012. **Dr.**

Volker Serini/GER resigned from his task as IMSSC Office Secretary, which he did for about 20 years. In the course of these years Masters Speed Skating has been largely extendet. Today we have a worldwide competition program with about 15 International Masters' Competitions yearly, including Masters' Allround Games and Masters' Sprint Games, the Inofficial Masters World Championships, with 200 – 300 competitors at each of these Games. Dr.Volker Serini expressed his great thanks to all IMSSC Members who supported him during all the years in the development of Masters Speed Skating and thanked especially Sven-Aage Svensson/NOR, IMSSC Statictician, Bram de Vries/NED, IMSSC Treasurer, and Lasma Kauniste/LAT, IMSSC Secretrary Record Documents, for their great support. Because of the growth of the Masters Movement it was decided at the session to establish a new IMSSC structure. Tjeerd Smies/NED was appointed as President (Region Europe), Brett Arnason as Vice President (Region America), Kenji Takai/JAP as Vice-President (Region Asia), Paolo Gemme/ITA as Office Secretary and Andrew Love/USA and Marcello Bresin/ESP as Webmasters.