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Trials for Asian Games

ANURA ROHANA AT THE HELM

Pro golfer Anura Rohana finished first 4 strokes adrift of Mithun Perera at the recent trials to pick the four-member team for the Asian Games to be held in China in September 2023.

The four round trial alongwith the Sri Lanka Golf Ranking Tournament was held at the picturesque Nuwara Eliya Golf Club from the 10th to 13th February 2023. More trials are scheduled by Sri Lanka Golf under the watchful -

eyes of the National Selectors in keeping with the standards set by the National Olympic Committee and the Ministry of Sports. The top-ranking amateurs did not disappoint and finished close behind the pros.

Prizes which were distributed to the Amateurs who participated in the SLG Golf Ranking Tournament are as follows:

Winners of the SLG Ranking Tournament	DAY 01	DAY 02	DAY 03	DAY 04	TOTAL	
M.U. Chanaka Perera	72	76	76	74	298	Winner
Uchitha Ranasinghe	81	76	77	73	307	1st Runnerup
M.H.Chalitha Pushpika	80	73	77	84	314	2nd Runnerup

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Scores of the Top 15 players of Trials for Asian Games

	NAME	DAY 01	DAY 02	DAY 03	DAY 04	TOTAL
1	Anura Rohana	71	67	70	72	280
2	Mithun Perera	70	69	74	71	284
3	K.Prabagaran	74	71	68	76	289
4	N.Thangaraja	73	71	73	77	294
5	M.U. Chanaka Perera	72	76	76	74	298
6	Vijitha Bandara	80	73	82	71	306
7	Uchitha Ranasinghe	81	76	77	73	307
8	M.H.Chalitha Pushpika	80	73	77	84	314
9	G.Dhanaranjan	73	80	89	76	318
10	H.L.S.Sanathchandra	76	72	89	84	321
11	Kaya Daluwatte F	76	84	82	81	323
12	Reshan Algama	81	84	80	79	324
13	Priya Hemantha	88	79	86	80	333
14	Yannik Kumara	85	88	81	82	336
15	P.W.A.D.Pushpakumara	77	82	91	88	338



(L-R):K.Prabagaran-Pro, N.Thangaraja - Pro, Anura Rohana - Pro, Priya Hemantha - Teaching Pro, M. U. Chanaka Perera -Winner SLG Ranking Tournament, G. K. Pradeep Kumara - SLG Asst. National Coach, Capt. Munmullage - SL Navy ,Chairman of Golf, G. K. Pradeep Kumara - SLG Asst. National Coach, M. H. Chalitha Pushpika (SL Navy) - 02nd Runner up SLG Ranking Tournament .R.Tour., Duminda De Zoysa - SLG Manager Finance & Administration, Uchitha Ranasinghe- 01st Runner Up SLG Ranking Tournament, Mithun Perera - Pro



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හිටපු කෙටි දුර ඔලිම්පික් ශූර උසේන් බෝල්ට්ගේ මුදල් වලට, වංචාවකින් ඩොලර් මිලියන ගණනක පාඩුවක් සිදුවී ඇති බවට වාර්තා වීමෙන් පසු, ඔහුගේ ආයෝජන ගැන සොයා බලන සමාගම පරීක්ෂණ අරඹයි. ජැමෙයිකාවේ මූල්‍ය සේවා කොමිෂන් සභාව (FSC), කොටස් සහ සුරැකුම්පත් ලිමිටඩ් (SSL) සමාගම, වෝදනාවෙන් පසුව “කීවු අධීක්ෂණය” යටතේ කබා ඇත.

36 හැවිරිදි විශ්‍රාමික ධාවන ක්‍රීඩකයා, දශකයකට වැඩි කාලයක් SSL සමඟ ආයෝජනය කර ඇත. බෝල්ට්ගේ කළමනාකරු තුනට වෝකර් ජැමෙයිකාවේ ග්ලීනර් පුවත්පතට පැවසුවේ, අට වතාවක් ඔලිම්පික් ශූර බෝල්ට්ට ඔහුගේ ආයෝජන වල “විෂමතාවන්” ඇති බව අවධාරණය වූ බවයි. ග්ලීනර් පුවත්පතට අනුව ගිණුමෙන් ඩොලර් මිලියන ගණනක් අතුරුදහන් වී ඇත. FSC පැවසුවේ ආයතනය මගින් “වංචා වෝදනා පිළිබඳ වාර්තා ගැන දැනුවත්” බවත්, මෙම අධීක්ෂණ ක්‍රියාවලිය මගින් SSC තුළට සහ ඉන් පිටතට අරමුදල් සහ සුරැකුම්පත් හුවමාරු අධීක්ෂණයට ඉඩ සැලසෙන බවත් ය. FSC ඊට සමගාමීව SSC හා සම්බන්ධ කරුණු සම්බන්ධව සිය විමර්ශන දිනටම කරගෙන යන බව, වැඩිදුරටත් සඳහන් කළහ. SSL පැවසුවේ, එහි අභ්‍යන්තර විමර්ශනවලින් පෙනී යන්නේ හිටපු සේවකයෙකු වෝදනා කරන ලද වංචාව පිටුපස සිටින බවත්, ඒ අනුව “අදාළ නීතිය ක්‍රියාත්මක කරන බලධාරීන්ට මෙම කාරණය යොමු කර ඇති” බවත් ය. ලෝක ශූරතාවලියේ රන් පදක්කම් 11ක් සහ ඔලිම්පික් රන් පදක්කම් 8ක් දිනාගත් බෝල්ට්, 2017 වසරේ මලල ක්‍රීඩා පිටියෙන් සමුගත්තේය. 2008 බීජිං ඔලිම්පික් උළෙලේදී බෝල්ට් මීටර් 100 සහ මීටර් 200 ධාවන ඉසව්ව සඳහා නව ලෝක වාර්තා පිහිටුවීය. ඔහුගේ මීටර් 100 කන්පර 9.572 ක කාලය අදටත් ලෝක වාර්තාව ලෙස පවතී.

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UELI MAURER ELECTED TO THE IOC ETHICS COMMISSION



Ulrich “Ueli” Maurer, the former President of the Swiss Confederation, has been elected by the IOC Session as an independent member of the IOC Ethics Commission.

Following the IOC Executive Board’s proposal in December 2022, the IOC Session unanimously elected Mr. Maurer through a postal vote (74 yes, 0 no, 1 abstention).

Maurer’s four-year term as an independent member of the Ethics Commission started on 1 January 2023, as a successor of Samuel Schmid, who is also a former President of the Swiss Confederation and had reached the end of his third and last term.

Maurer was the President of the Swiss Confederation in 2013 and in 2019.

He was a Swiss Federal Councillor from 2009 to 2022, Head of the Federal Department of Defence, Civil Protection and Sport from 2009 to 2015, and Head of the Federal Department of Finance from 2016 until his resignation from the position of Finance Minister on 31 December 2022.

The IOC Ethics Commission is chaired by the former UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon.

Of the nine members of the IOC Ethics Commission, five are prominent personalities known for their independence of spirit, competence and international reputation.

The other four members of the IOC Ethics Commission are IOC Members, one of whom is an Athletes’ Commission member.

IOC/Greg Martin

IOC EXPRESSES GRIEF ON THE DEATH OF HONORARY MEMBER HM KING CONSTANTINE

It is with great sorrow that the International Olympic Committee (IOC) has learnt of the death of IOC Honorary Member HM King Constantine at the age of 82.

An Olympic sailing champion in the Dragon class at the Games of the XVII Olympiad Rome 1960, HM King Constantine served the Olympic Movement as an IOC Member in Greece from 1963 to 1974, after which he was elected as an IOC Honorary Member.

IOC President Thomas Bach said: “In King Constantine we have lost a great friend of sport. He was a fellow Olympic Champion and, whenever we met, we shared our passion about sport and discussed our love of Olympism and the life of an athlete. He was always interested in the development of the Olympic Movement, and our conversations were very enriching. I will greatly miss these always friendly meetings. Our thoughts are with Queen Anne-Marie and with the entire family.”

Over several decades, HM King Constantine served the world of sport as President then Honorary President of the Hellenic Olympic Committee; Honorary President of the Royal Greek Yachting Association; Honorary President of World Sailing; and patron of several sailing clubs and of the International Modern Pentathlon Union (UIPM).

He was also the Honorary President of the International Olympic Academy right from its foundation.



Born in Athens in 1940, the then-crown prince was first drawn to equestrian sport, before his father introduced him to sailing. At the age of 20, along with his crew, he won an Olympic gold medal in sailing at the Olympic Games Rome 1960. It was the first Greek Olympic gold medal after almost 50 years.

For this feat, he was named “Greek Athlete of the Year” along with his crew, and celebrated with a big parade with more than a million people on the streets of Athens upon his return from Rome.

He was also the Greek flagbearer at these Games, leading the Greek team at the Opening Ceremony.

In addition to being an outstanding sailor and horseman, he was also an excellent shooter, and enjoyed team sports such as basketball and hockey.

HM King Constantine was also the founder of the Hellenic College of London (Great Britain) and of “Round Square”, a worldwide network of innovative schools in 40 countries across five continents.

The IOC expresses its deepest sympathies to his family and friends.

As a mark of respect, the Olympic flag will be flown at half-mast at Olympic House in Lausanne for three days.

WORLD AQUATICS WINS ANTITRUST COURT CASES FILED BY SWIMMERS



In a defeat for athletes challenging officials running their sport, a Californian court has ruled in favor of swimming's governing body in antitrust cases filed in 2018.

World Aquatics said it won rulings from a judge in the U.S. District Court in San Francisco.

Cases were filed by Katinka Hosszú, Tom Shields and Michael Andrew - all Olympic or world championships gold medalists - and a separate but linked challenge by the independent International Swimming League.

It promised increased prize money for competing in a more dynamic and broadcast-friendly format.

The Ukraine-backed ISL started racing in 2019 after a failed launch the previous year in Italy amid threats by the world swim body to ban member federations who cooperated.

had shaped as a possible landmark for athlete activism.

"We are pleased that it brings an end to a period of uncertainty," World Aquatics president Husain al-Musallam said in a statement.

"This is an important decision and also a good decision, not just for World Aquatics, but for the Olympic movement and beyond."

The judge, Jacqueline Scott Corley, said the athletes had not shown an American court should have jurisdiction for Switzerland-based FINA pressuring the Italian swim federation to cancel a competition scheduled in Turin.

"The Court acknowledges the record is replete with evidence of FINA's concern about competition from ISL.

"But, so what?" Corley also wrote.

The governing body was known then under previous leadership by its French acronym FINA.

The judge's 30-page ruling dated last Friday sided with the governing body in cases that

"The antitrust laws do not require one competitor to help another compete with it; instead, they prohibit only unreasonable restraints of trade."

ISL ran for three seasons from 2019-21 backed by Ukrainian businessman Konstantin Grigorishin. The league paused in 2022.

The judge's ruling stated: "It is undisputed that top-tier swimmers are not bound by contract to swim only in FINA-sanctioned competitions."

"This was, and always has been, an avoidable controversy," said Brent Nowicki, the executive director of World Aquatics since 2021.

A similar case of athletes challenging their Lausanne-based governing body to secure more freedom for competing in lucrative events is ongoing at European courts in Luxembourg.

In 2017, two speedskaters from the Netherlands won a European Commission ruling in Brussels against the International Skating Union for a breach of competition law.

They had been threatened with bans for wanting to compete in a South Korean-organized event in Dubai.

The European Court of Justice last month sent that case back to the lower General Court for review.