

UNION INTERNATIONALE DE PENTATHLON MODERNE



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MVM MODERN PENTATHLON SENIOR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

One Month To Go!

Monaco, 29 April 2008 – The 2008 MVM Modern Pentathlon Senior World Championships commence in one month today – 29 May 2008 in Budapest, Hungary.

The Opening Ceremony will take place 28 May and will be followed by 6 action-packed days (29 May – 3 June) of competition viewed by an anticipated 9,000 spectators. The highlight of the competition will be the two days of finals on Saturday 31 May (Women) and Sunday 1 June (Men) after which the Pentathlon World Ranking (PWR) will be used to determine the remaining Olympic Qualification positions.

The competition program is:

29 May 2008 (Thursday)	Women's Qualification
30 May 2008 (Friday)	Men's Qualification
31 May 2008 (Saturday)	Women's Final
01 June 2008 (Sunday)	Men's Final
02 June 2008 (Monday)	Women's Relay
03 June 2008 (Tuesday)	Men's Relay

The Senior World Championships has attracted a high level of competitors eager to secure valuable PWR points to ensure a place at Beijing. Women Competitors expected to compete include;

- Zsuzsanna Vörös (HUN) 2004 Olympic Gold medalist
- Amelie Caze (FRA) 2007 World Champion
- Aya Medany (EGY) 2007 World Cup Final Champion

While for the Men;

- Andrei Moiseev (RUS) 2004 Olympic Gold medalist
- Viktor Horvath (HUN) 2007 World and European Champion and 2007 PWR ranking 1
- Edvinas Krungolcas (LTU) 2007 World Cup Final Champion

The location for the competition, including the accommodation, competition venues, media- VIP- and competition offices will be established within a 100m wide radius, so that competitors, coaches, guests and spectators can reach all sites in less than 3 minutes. Further, a temporary 25 metre pool will be installed in Statue Park in Ferenc Puskás Stadium so that the equestrian, swimming and cross country disciplines can all be viewed in the one location meaning spectators can watch all the action without leaving their seats!

For those who cannot be there in person, live coverage will be available on www.pentathlonwch.com

The official web site of the World Championships www.pentathlonwch.com was launched this month. On this site you will find information about the venues, the program, press accreditation and those competitors who will stand at the start line at the end of May in Hungary.

The Official competition hotel is Hotel Stadion, H- 1148 Budapest, Ifjúság útja 1 – 3.

Press Accreditation is available at the official web site of the World Championships www.pentathlonwch.com or by contacting the LOC direct at hmpa@pentathlon.hu

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