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## BOXING CONFIRMED FOR SUMMER YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES PROGRAM IN BUENOS AIRES

ASTANA. KAZINFORM - The ASBC Youth Asian Confederation Boxing Championships in Thailand in late April was a milestone for young Kazakh boxers who collected 10 gold medals at the tournament, Kazinform has learnt from ASBC press service.

Kazakhstan's male boxers claimed six gold medals, while female boxers captured four in Bangkok.

The championship was all the more important because its winners will represent their home countries at the

World Boxing Championships in Hungary and the 2018 Summer Youth Olympics in Argentina.

«Indeed, this is a huge success for Kazakhstan's youth boxing team. As for the licenses, our country has licenses in all categories. There are 13 licenses, nine for male boxers and four for female boxers, allotted for our continent within the Olympic licensing program. Based on the results of the last Asian Championships it can safely be said that Kazakhstan, Vietnam, India, Thailand, and Uzbekistan won the licenses,» said Mr. Serik Konakbayev, AIBA Vice President and ASBC President.

The third Summer Youth Olympic Games of 2018 will be held in Buenos Aires on October 6-18. The Youth Olympic Games is a special multi-sport event for young athletes aged 14-18. Singapore played host to the first Summer Youth Olympic Games in 2010.

«We had doubts that our young boxers would participate in the Buenos Aires Youth Olympics, since the International Olympic Committee (IOC) wanted to remove boxing from the competitive program of the Youth Olympic Games and the 2020 Tokyo Olympics. Last night we were told that boxing had been confirmed for the competitive program of the Summer Youth Olympic Games in Argentina. The inclusion of boxing into the competitive program of the Tokyo Olympics is still under question,» Konakbayev added.

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## **MR. SERIK KONAKBAYEV AND THE WHOLE ASBC MANAGEMENT WISHES HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO MR. FRANCO FALCINELLI**

The President of the Asian Boxing Confederation and Vice-President of the International Boxing Association (AIBA) Mr. Serik Konakbayev, furthermore the whole ASBC management wishes

Happy Birthday to the President of the European Boxing Confederation (EUBC) Mr. Franco Falcinelli who was AIBA Interim President between October 2017 and January 2018.



## **MR. SERIK KONAKBAYEV AND THE WHOLE ASBC MANAGEMENT SEND THEIR SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO MR. VIKTOR KIM'S FAMILY**

The President of the Asian Boxing Confederation and Vice-President of the International Boxing Association (AIBA) Mr. Serik Konakbayev, furthermore the whole ASBC management is sending their sincere condolences to the Kazakhstan boxing family following their doctor and boxing official Mr. Viktor Kim passed away.

Mr. Viktor Kim was born on February 20 in 1949 and served Kazakhstan's and the world's boxing life as a well-known doctor.

Mr. Viktor Kim was member of the AIBA Medical Commission and he was the Chairman of the ASBC Medical

Commission. He led the ASBC Medical Commission Meeting in Wulanchabu. Mr. Viktor Kim's last work was an ITO (International Technical Official) job in the Bangkok 2018 ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships in April.



## **MR. SERIK KONAKBAYEV AND THE WHOLE ASBC MANAGEMENT WISHES HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE FORMER BOXING ICON AND PRESIDENT OF THE HUNGARIAN BOXING ASSOCIATION MR. ZSOLT ERDEI**

The President of the Asian Boxing Confederation and Vice-President of the International Boxing Association (AIBA) Mr. Serik Konakbayev, furthermore the whole ASBC management wishes Happy Birthday to the President of the Hungarian Boxing Association Mr. Zsolt Erdei who is celebrating his 44th birthday today.

Mr. Zsolt Erdei was born in Budapest on May 31 in 1974 who was European Junior Champion in 1992 which was his first career highlight. As a boxer he was AIBA World Champion in 1997, European Champion twice in 1998 and in 2000. In spite of his injury he claimed bronze medal in the Sydney 2000 Olympic Games before turning professional.

Erdei was a successful professional boxer following his amateur career, he was light heavyweight WBO World Champion and making eleven consecutive defences between 2004 and 2009 and hold also the WBC cruiserweight title. He finished his professional career with the record of 34 wins and 1 loss in 2014. Erdei was elected as President of the Hungarian Boxing Association on April 1 in 2017. Erdei's success as President of the Hungarian Boxing Association his management will be hosting the upcoming AIBA Youth World Boxing Championships in Budapest this August.



## **MR. SERIK KONAKBAYEV AND THE WHOLE ASBC MANAGEMENT WISHES HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO MR. ANDREY KURNYAVKA**

The President of the Asian Boxing Confederation and Vice-President of the International Boxing Association (AIBA) Mr. Serik Konakbayev, furthermore the whole ASBC management wishes Happy Birthday to Kyrgyzstan's and Soviet Union's AIBA World Champion Mr. Andrey Kurnyavka who is celebrating his 50th birthday today.

Mr. Andrey Kurnyavka was born in Frunze which was the previous name of the Kyrgyz capital Bishkek on May 4 in 1968. He began boxing after his swimming career relatively late at the age of 15 but after one year of experience he won the Kyrgyz Junior National Championships. Two years after his debut in boxing he was included to the Soviet Union's junior boxing team.

Kurnyavka joined to the elite national team in 1987 and 1989 became the highlight in his

career when he claimed gold medal in the Moscow AIBA World Boxing Championships and also in the Soviet Union National Championships. Kurnyavka achieved silver medal two years later at the Sydney 1991 AIBA World Boxing Championships. Following his injuries he returned in 1996 to represent Kyrgyzstan at the Atlanta Olympic Games. Mr. Kurnyavka now lives in Moscow, Russia and works as a coach and the Vice-President of the Moscow Boxing Federation.



## **MR. SERIK KONAKBAYEV AND THE WHOLE ASBC MANAGEMENT WISHES HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO RUSSIA'S TWO-TIME OLYMPIC GAMES WINNER MR. OLEG SAITOV**

The President of the Asian Boxing Confederation and Vice-President of the International Boxing Association (AIBA) Mr. Serik Konakbayev, furthermore the whole ASBC management wishes Happy Birthday to Russia's two-time Olympic Champion and AIBA World Champion Mr. Oleg Saitov.

Mr. Oleg Saitov was born in Novokuybishevsk on May 26 in 1974 and secured his first national success in boxing at the age of 14. He became European Junior Champion and AIBA Junior World Champion in 1992 and quickly involved to the Russian elite team one year later in 1993 when he claimed bronze medal in the Tampere AIBA World Boxing Championships. Saitov's first career highlight came in 1996 when he defeated

Juan Hernandez of Cuba in the final of the Atlanta 1996 Olympic Games. The Russian boxer defended his throne in the Sydney 2000 Olympic Games following his success at the Budapest 1997 AIBA World Boxing Championships. Saitov was focusing to his third Olympic success in 2004 to become a legend in boxing but he was defeated by Kazakhstan's eventual winner Bakhtiyar Artayev in the semi-final of the Athens Olympics.



## **MR. SERIK KONAKBAYEV AND THE WHOLE ASBC MANAGEMENT WISHES HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO RUSSIA'S TWO-TIME OLYMPIC GAMES WINNER MR. ALEKSEI TISHCHENKO**

The President of the Asian Boxing Confederation and Vice-President of the International Boxing Association (AIBA) Mr. Serik Konakbayev, furthermore the whole ASBC management wishes Happy Birthday to Russia's two-time Olympic Champion, AIBA World Champion and European Champion Mr. Aleksei Tishchenko.

Mr. Aleksei Tishchenko was born in the city of Omsk on May 29 in 1984 and following his successful start in the national level he became AIBA Junior World Champion in Cuba in 2002. In that AIBA Junior World Boxing Championships he dominated all of his contests and showed he is a top talent in our sport.

Following his star teammate Raimkul Malakhbekov failed to qualify for the Athens 2004 Olympic Games he won the second European Qualification Event. Tishchenko not only qualified for the Athens 2004 Olympic Games but he defeated all of his

rivals including Kazakhstan's Galib Dzhafarov in the quarter-final and DPR Korea's Kim Song Guk in the final of the featherweight (57kg).

Tishchenko won the gold medal at the Mianyang 2005 AIBA World Boxing Championships and became European Champion in 2006. Following his bronze medal in the Chicago 2007 AIBA World Boxing Championships the Russian star defended his Olympic title one year later. Tishchenko defeated five rivals in the Beijing 2008 Olympic Games including France's Daouda Sow in the final.



## **MR. SERIK KONAKBAYEV AND ASBC CONGRATULATE TO NEWLY ELECTED PRESIDENT IN SWEDEN MR. ANDERS HOLMBERG**

The President of the Asian Boxing Confederation and AIBA Vice-President Mr. Serik Konakbayev, furthermore the whole management of the Asian Boxing Confederation congratulate to the newly elected President of the Swedish Boxing Federation Mr. Anders Holmberg who will serve the country's boxing life in the upcoming years.

Sweden has got excellent tradition in boxing, their first national events have been held more than 100 years ago and the country was one of the pioneers in women boxing in the end of the

'90s. Sweden claimed five silver and six bronze medals in the history of boxing tournaments of the Olympic Games and they had one qualified boxer in Rio de Janeiro.

## ALTOGETHER 64 BOXERS ARE TRAIN TOGETHER IN ASHGABAT AS PART OF THE ASBC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Turkmenistan Boxing Federation with the active support of the Asian Boxing Confederation is hosting an international training and sparring camp for the Asian nations in Ashgabat these days. The period of the training camp is May 10-20 and besides to Turkmenistan, Kyrgyzstan and Sri Lanka are also attending in the event.

The training camp in Ashgabat was organised by the Asian Boxing Confederation which is part of their newly launched ASBC Development Program. The first training camp of the program was hosted in Almaty, Kazakhstan in February with a great success which was also visited by ASBC President Mr. Serik Konakbayev.

Turkmenistan Boxing Federation has got a new management which is widen their focus to outside of the country and trying to increase their possibilities and results into a new level. Ukraine's top coach Vladimir Vinnikov, who is working in the Sri Lankan Boxing now, is leading the sessions of the training camp in Almaty.



Altogether 12 women and 52 men boxers are attending in the training camp in Ashgabat where the equipments, the facilities and the whole environment are in an Olympic Games standard. Turkmenistan hosted the 2017 edition of

the Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games in Ashgabat and all of the venues are new in the capital city.

The main purpose of the international training camp is a preparation for the upcoming Asian Games which will be

held in Jakarta, Indonesia this August. The Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games is also on the focus for the Turkmenistan Boxing Federation and the coaches of the participating teams can share their experiences during the camp.



## **MR. VLADIMIR VINNIKOV – “THE NEXT ASBC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, THE TRAINING CAMP IN ASHGABAT WAS THE BEST IN MY COACHING CAREER”**

Turkmenistan, Kyrgyzstan and Sri Lanka trained together in an international training camp in Ashgabat in the recent one and half week which was part of their preparation for the Jakarta 2018 Asian Games. This training camp was organised in the scope of the Asian Boxing Confederation Development Program. Ukraine’s top coach Vladimir Vinnikov is working now in Sri Lanka and answered our questions about the Ashgabat Training Camp.

### **- Vladimir, how did you feel yourself in the training camp in Ashgabat?**

- It was the best training camp for my coaching career. Everything, starting from the meeting at the Airport, accommodation in a luxury hotel including full menu of 5 stars hotel were amazing. The camp was well-organized and we received only natural products and vitamins during our stay in Ashgabat.

### **- How satisfied you are with the environment and training facilities in Turkmenistan?**

- The organization of the training sessions was very professional in Ashgabat. Such sports facilities are available only in the biggest boxing powers.

It was the opinion of the whole coaching staff of this international joint training camp that it would be nice to continue the program of development of the Asian Boxing Confederation in Turkmenistan in the future. We are so grateful for ASBC President Mr. Serik Konakbayev and all of the boxing officials in Turkmenistan.

### **- What was your opinion about the Kyrgyz boxing team in Ashgabat? Did their boxers develop since the last training camp which was held in Almaty?**

- I can judge about the boxing development project by Kyrgyzstan's and Sri Lankan teams' results in the previous A class international tournaments where Kyrgyzstan won three gold medals with the participation of 5 athletes from the country.

### **- What is your opinion about the Sri Lankan boxing team and how can they develop in the future?**

- Our Sri Lankan team has won three bronze medals at the Commonwealth Games and I think currently this is the 100% result from our boxers. Thanks to the ASBC program, we did not only get international experience, but we brought our medals to our team in Gold Coast.

### **- How do you feel yourself with the Sri Lankan team and in the country?**

- Sri Lanka is a promising country, boxing is developing in the club system, good specialists work everywhere in the country. I believe that Sri Lanka will show himself as a top country in the Asian events and also in the Olympic Games in the upcoming years. Sri Lanka is a very comfortable country for living and working there as a coach.

### **- What are the main strengths of the Turkmenistan's boxing team?**

- The national team of Turkmenistan surprised me with interesting and skilful boxers in Ashgabat. The guys in the Turkmen national team are very friendly, the team spirit is excellent and they have the strong desire to win. The match meeting revealed the great potential of Turkmenistan's boxing team. It is very simple to train them hard; they immediately picked up new methods and applied it in combat practice.

### **- Who was the best boxer in the training camp in your opinion?**

- I would like to underline that Mr. Hursand Imankuliyev was the best boxer from Turkmenistan in the training camp, he is member of their national team at the lightweight (60kg) now.

### **- Many thanks for your kind answers and for the interview.**

- Thank you.

# ASTANA ARLANS KAZAKHSTAN DEFEATED THEIR OLD RIVALS THE BRITISH LIONHEARTS 3-2 IN THE FIRST PART OF THE WSB SEMI-FINALS IN SHEFFIELD

Defending WSB Team Champion Astana Arlans Kazakhstan advanced to the Play-off following their superb performance in the Group Stage of Season VIII. Astana Arlans Kazakhstan has done a superb start in the first part of the WSB Semi-final when their boxers defeated British Lionhearts 3-2 in Sheffield.



## British Lionhearts - Astana Arlans Kazakhstan 2-3

The three-time WSB Team Champion Astana Arlans Kazakhstan lost its WSB Semi-final to British Lionhearts in Season VI but the franchise was able to do revenge in the same stage of Season VII. The Kazakh team had to meet with the British Lionhearts in the Semi-final of Season VIII and their boxers impressed in the first away match in Sheffield which they won 3-2 before the second home encounter which will be held in Kazakhstan next week.

Former ASBC Asian Champion Temirtas Zhussupov used his long range tactic against British Lionhearts' Galal Yafai but his English opponent was enough strong in the middle of the bout to beat the Kazakh light flyweight (49kg) boxer by split decision. Incheon 2014 Asian Games winner Ilyas Suleimenov was more confident in the ring against British Lionhearts' Niall Farrell and won their bantamweight (56kg) bout by large margin of differences.

Dilmurat Mizhitov joined back to the team and he won the key contest of the match against Dalton Smith proving better performances than expected. Hamburg 2017 AIBA World Boxing Championships silver medallist Abilkhan Amankul impressed once again and won his 7th WSB bout against Jordan Reynolds. Arbek

Abduganiyev did not find the best fighting distance against England's EUBC European Confederation Boxing Championships silver medallist Cheavon Clarke and suffered a clear loss but Astana Arlans Kazakhstan won the full match 3-2 in Sheffield.



## FINAL RESULTS

### British Lionhearts – Astana Arlans Kazakhstan 2-3

49 kg: **Galal Yafai ENG** – Temirtas Zhussupov KAZ 2-1

56 kg: Niall Farrell ENG - **Ilyas Suleimenov KAZ** 0-3

64 kg: Dalton Smith ENG – **Dilmurat Mizhitov KAZ** 0-3

75 kg: Jordan Reynolds ENG – **Abilkhan Amankul KAZ** 0-3

91 kg: **Cheavon Clarke ENG** – Arbek Abduganiyev KAZ 3-0

# ASTANA ARLANS KAZAKHSTAN ADVANCED TO THE FINALS OF THE WORLD SERIES BOXING ONCE AGAIN

Defending WSB Team Champion Astana Arlans Kazakhstan eliminated the British Lionhearts in the Semi-final stage of the Play-off and the strong franchise advanced to the WSB Finals where their next opponent will be Cuba Domadores once again. Astana Arlans Kazakhstan defeated the Season VI Finalist British Lionhearts 4-1 in Atyrau and won the Semi-finals on aggregate 7-3.



## Astana Arlans Kazakhstan - British Lionhearts 4-1 (Aggregate 7-3)

The three-time WSB Team Champion Astana Arlans Kazakhstan won the first away match 3-2 in Sheffield last weekend. In the second part of their WSB Semi-finals Serik Temirzhanov, Aslanbek Shymbergenov, debutant Bek Nurmaganbet and Kamshybek Kunkabayev won their contests in Atyrau.

Former Youth National Champion Saken Bibossynov started well against British Lionhearts' William Cawley but he was not able to continue his strong performance until the end of the final gong and suffered a narrow loss to his English opponent. Serik Temirzhanov was gold medallist in the Pavlodar 2016 ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships and started also well against British Lionhearts' unbeaten Calum French. The 20-year-old Kazakh boxer had serious difficulties in the middle of the bout but finally his hand was raised.

Aslanbek Shymbergenov dominated all of the rounds against British Lionhearts' EUBC European Confederation U22 Boxing Championships silver medallist Carl Fail at the welterweight (69kg) and won the 12th WSB bout. AIBA Youth World Boxing Championships silver medallist Bek Nurmaganbet knocked down his

Sweden opponent Liridon Nuha one time and dominated their fight. In the last bout of the WSB Semi-finals Kamshybek Kunkabayev was too strong for Solomon Dacres and has done a superb return to the World Series Boxing.



## FINAL RESULTS

### Astana Arlans Kazakhstan – British Lionhearts 4-1

52 kg: Saken Bibossynov KAZ -

William Cawley ENG 1-2

60 kg: Serik Temirzhanov KAZ -  
Calum French ENG 2-1

69 kg: Aslanbek Shymbergenov KAZ -  
Carl Fail ENG 3-0

81 kg: Bek Nurmaganbet KAZ -  
Liridon Nuha SWE 3-0

+91 kg: Kamshybek Kunkabayev KAZ -  
Solomon Dacres ENG 3-0

# BOXING FEDERATION OF INDIA

## BEST ASIAN NF FACEBOOK PAGE – BOXING FEDERATION OF INDIA

Asian Boxing Confederation launched online votings about the best websites of the Asian National Federations last month and following the process the winner was the Macau Boxing Association. Following the first voting the second was won by Boxing Federation of India and their Facebook page became the best among the Asian National Federations. The management of the Asian Boxing Confederation congratulates to the hard work and development to the Boxing Federation of India.

**You can follow their Facebook page:**  
<https://www.facebook.com/BoxingFederationIndia/>

### Results of the online voting:

1. Boxing Federation of India – 91.7%
2. Chinese Taipei Boxing Association – 1.4%
3. Mongolian Boxing Federation – 1.15%



## THE INDONESIAN BOXING FEDERATION AND THE UKRAINIAN BOXING FEDERATION SIGNED A MEMORANDUM TO STRENGTHEN THE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO NATIONS

Indonesia sent elite male boxers to the Nikolay Manger Memorial Tournament to the city of Kherson and besides to their successful participation there an important protocol event was held between the host country and the Southeast Asian nation. The Ukrainian Boxing Federation and the Indonesian Boxing Federation signed a special document a Memorandum to cooperate and develop our sport in the future.

The Ambassador of the Republic of Indonesia in Ukraine Mr. Prof. Dr. Yuddy Chrisnandi M.E., the President of the Ukrainian Boxing Federation Mr. Volodymyr Prodyvus and the President of the Indonesian Boxing Federation Mr. Johni Asadoma have signed the Memorandum in a diplomatic ceremony.

Indonesia will be hosting the upcoming Asian Games in Jakarta and Palembang in the second part of August and the

Southeast Asian country has been preparing to the highly rated multisport event with full speed to organize a memorable competition for all athletes. The Indonesian Boxing Federation will be sending their best women and men athletes to several international preparation events before the start of the Asian Games. The Indonesian team will be preparing in Ukraine with a training camp for the Asian Games to strengthen their athletes.

Today is the deadline to register your team to the forthcoming Thailand Open Boxing Tournament. Thailand Boxing Association extended the deadline of the registrations for the upcoming Thailand Open Boxing Tournament to May 25 two weeks ago to increase the possibility to host a big event. The invitation of the Thailand Open Boxing Tournament and the entry forms are available in all ASBC channels.



## MAY 25 WAS THE LAST DAY TO REGISTER FOR THE UPCOMING THAILAND OPEN BOXING TOURNAMENT WHICH WILL BE STARTING ON JUNE 28

The next edition of the Thailand Open Boxing Tournament will be held in Bangkok from June 28 until July 7 to celebrate the coronation of the King Rama X of Thailand. The Thailand Open Boxing Tournament which could be one of the biggest elite tournaments in 2018, not only in the Asian continent but in the world as well.

The Thailand Open Boxing Tournament will be a top preparation event for the Jakarta 2018 Asian Games and the local organizers are waiting for record number of countries. All Asian National Federation can find the invitation in the ASBC Facebook page and ASBC websites which

contains all details about the upcoming strong competition.

The Thailand Open Boxing Tournament was previously known as the King's Cup and the first edition was held in 1975. In the recent years the local organizers can use another name for the event and opened the competition for all countries. The Thailand Open Boxing Tournament is one of the most popular Asian international events where the top boxing nations such as Kazakhstan, Thailand, Russia, China, India, Cuba, Uzbekistan, Australia, United States of America and Mongolia are all expecting to take part. The Thailand Open Boxing



### DAILY SCHEDULE OF THE THAILAND OPEN BOXING TOURNAMENT:

- June 28 - Arrivals to Bangkok
- June 28 - Technical Meeting
- June 29 - General weigh-in, official draw
- June 30 - Opening Ceremony & Preliminaries
- July 1 - Preliminaries
- July 2 - Preliminaries & Quarter-finals
- July 3 - Preliminaries & Quarter-finals
- July 4 - Rest Day
- July 5 - Semi-finals
- July 6 - Finals
- July 7 - Departures of the delegations



### WEIGHT CATEGORIES OF THE THAILAND OPEN BOXING TOURNAMENT:

Men's: 49kg, 52kg, 56kg, 60kg, 64kg, 69kg, 75kg

Tournament will be held in seven men weight classes from the light flyweight (49kg) up to the middleweight (75kg). Each National Federation can bring one boxer in each weight category. Money prizes will be presented for the individual boxers and also for the best three teams of the Thailand Open Boxing Tournament.



### MONEY AWARDS FOR THE TEAMS IN THE THAILAND OPEN BOXING TOURNAMENT:

- 1st Place Team - 10,000 USD
- 2nd Place Team - 7,500 USD
- 3rd Place Team - 5,000 USD



### MONEY PRIZES OF THE THAILAND OPEN BOXING TOURNAMENT:

- Gold medal - 1500 USD each
- Silver medal - 750 USD
- Bronze medal - 500 USD
- Quarter-finalists - 300 USD
- Losers in the 1/8 preliminary stage - 200 USD
- Losers in the 1/16 preliminary stage - 100 USD



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## THE NEXT EDITION OF THE ULAANBAATAR BOX CUP WILL BE HELD IN THE MONGOLIAN CAPITAL IN JUNE 19-25

The next edition of the Ulaanbaatar Box Cup will be held in the Mongolian capital city in June 19-25 short after the Republic of Kazakhstan President's Cup. The Ulaanbaatar Box Cup will be also a preparation event for the Jakarta 2018 Asian Games. All Asian National Federation can find the invitation in the ASBC Facebook page and ASBC websites which contains all details about the upcoming strong competition.

The Ulaanbaatar Box Cup launched in 2016 as the name of the Chinggis Khan Cup and following the first successful edition the second was held in June 2017. In the recent two years Uzbekistan, China, Russia, DPR Korea, Hungary, Philippines, Indonesia, Chinese Taipei and Kyrgyzstan also sent boxers to the Ulaanbaatar

Box Cup. Chinese Taipei's woman No.1 Chen Nien Chin, DPR Korea's Pang Chol Mi, Indonesia's Southeast Asian Games winner Aldoms Suguro and Mongolia's ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships silver medallist Gan-Erdene Gankhuyag are titleholders in the Ulaanbaatar Box Cup.

The Ulaanbaatar Box Cup will be held in seven men and five women weight classes in June to prepare the boxers well to the Asian Games. As in the Republic of Kazakhstan President's Cup and in the Thailand Open Boxing Tournament money prizes will be presented for the individual boxers in Ulaanbaatar.



### DAILY SCHEDULE OF THE ULAANBAATAR BOX CUP:

- June 18-19 - Arrivals to Ulaanbaatar
- June 19 - Technical Meeting
- June 19 - Official draw
- June 20 - General weigh-in, Opening Ceremony, Preliminaries
- June 21 - Preliminaries
- June 22 - Preliminaries
- June 23 - Semi-finals
- June 24 - Finals
- June 25 - Departures of the delegations



### WEIGHT CATEGORIES OF THE ULAANBAATAR BOX CUP:

- Men's: 49kg, 52kg, 56kg, 60kg, 64kg, 69kg, 75kg
- Women's: 48kg, 51kg, 57kg, 60kg, 69kg



### MONEY PRIZES OF THE ULAANBAATAR BOX CUP:

- Gold medal - 1000 USD each
- Silver medal - 500 USD
- Bronze medal - 200 USD



### ORGANIZING COMMITTEE OF THE ULAANBAATAR BOX CUP:

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## **THE ASKAR KULIBAYEV PRIZES TOURNAMENT WILL BE HELD IN ATYRAU FROM JUNE 30 UNTIL JULY 6**

The upcoming Askar Kulibayev Prizes Tournament will be held in the city of Atyrau from June 30 until July 6 which could be the next preparation event for the Jakarta 2018 Asian Games. All Asian National Federation can find the invitation in the ASBC Facebook page and ASBC websites which contains all details about the upcoming competition.



### **DAILY SCHEDULE OF THE ASKAR KULIBAYEV PRIZES TOURNAMENT:**

June 30 - Arrivals to Atyrau  
July 1 - Day1 competition  
July 2 - Day2 competition  
July 3 - Day3 competition  
July 4 - Semi-final  
July 5 - Finals  
July 6 - Departures of the delegations



### **WEIGHT CATEGORIES OF THE ASKAR KULIBAYEV PRIZES TOURNAMENT:**

Men's: 49kg, 52kg, 56kg, 60kg, 64kg, 69kg, 75kg, 81kg, 91kg, +91kg



### **ORGANIZING COMMITTEE OF THE ASKAR KULIBAYEV PRIZES TOURNAMENT:**

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The previous editions of the Askar Kulibayev Prizes Tournament were held in the city of Uralsk which event was moved to the city of Atyrau in 2015. Syria impressed in the last edition of the Askar Kulibayev Prizes Tournament, their boxers claimed four gold medals in 2017 but Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan are both impressed last July.

The Askar Kulibayev Prizes Tournament will be held in ten men weight classes from the light flyweight (49kg) up to the super heavyweight (+91kg). Each National Federation can bring six male boxers to the upcoming Askar Kulibayev Prizes Tournament. The deadline for the registrations to the Askar Kulibayev Prizes Tournament is June 15.



## THE INTERNATIONAL KAPOLRI CUP WILL BE HELD IN INDONESIA BEFORE THE ASIAN GAMES IN MANADO IN JULY 2-10

Manado City which is located in the North Sulawesi Province and affiliated to the Indonesian Boxing Association will be hosting the second edition of the International Kapolri Cup in July 2-10. The upcoming Kapolri Cup will be preparation event for the Jakarta 2018 Asian Games. All Asian National Federation can find the invitation in the ASBC Facebook page and ASBC websites which contains all details about the upcoming strong competition.

Manado City is famous of its boxing schools and will be hosting their international event second time. The competition period of the Kapolri Cup is

July 4-9. The competition is a preparation event for the Jakarta 2018 Asian Games and both genders can take part in the Kapolri Cup in Manado City where

14 champions will be crowned. Eight men weight classes from the pinweight (46kg) up to the middleweight (75kg) and six women categories from the light flyweight (48kg) up to the light welterweight (64kg) will be held in Manado City. Indonesia will be hosting the Asian Games in August and the country's best boxers are preparing hard to achieve medals in the most important elite event of the years.



### DAILY SCHEDULE OF THE KAPOLRI CUP:

- July 2 - Arrivals of the delegations
- July 2 - Technical Meeting
- July 3 - General weigh-in, official draw
- July 4 - Preliminaries
- July 5 - Preliminaries
- July 6 - Preliminaries
- July 7 - Quarter-finals
- July 8 - Semi-finals
- July 9 - Finals
- July 10 - Departures of the delegations



### WEIGHT CATEGORIES OF THE KAPOLRI CUP:

- Men's: 46kg, 49kg, 52kg, 56kg, 60kg, 64kg, 69kg, 75kg
- Women's: 48kg, 51kg, 54kg, 57kg, 60kg, 64kg



### PRIZE MONEY IN THE KAPOLRI CUP FOR THE BOXERS:

- Gold medal - 500 USD
- Silver medal - 300 USD
- Bronze medal - 200 USD



### ORGANIZING COMMITTEE OF THE KAPOLRI CUP

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## AIBA 2-STAR R&J COURSE WILL BE HELD IN THE MONKSTOWN BOX CUP IN IRELAND FROM JUNE 26 UNTIL JULY 2

There will be an AIBA 3-star R&J Course during the upcoming Thailand Open Boxing Tournament but we can offer another option for our Referees & Judges. The Monkstown Box Cup will be held in Ireland and parallel to the competition an AIBA 2-star Referee & Judge Course is scheduled.

The upcoming 2-star AIBA R&J Course will be held from June 26 until July 2 including with the date of the arrival and departure. The Course period of the seminar is between June 27 and July 1 while the deadline for all applications is May 18.

Current certified and active AIBA 1-star R&Js who certified for at least 12 months or current AIBA 2-star R&Js who are not active in the international level since 2012, are eligible to take part in the upcoming 2-star AIBA Refereeing & Judging Course in Ireland.



## AIBA 2-STAR COACH COURSE WILL BE HELD IN AMMAN IN JULY 15-23

Jordan Boxing Association will be hosting an important AIBA 2-star Coach Course in their capital city in Amman in July 15-23. The course fee is 150 USD per participant while the Course will be held in the Al-Fanar Palace Hotel in Amman.

There will be an AIBA 3-star R&J Course during the upcoming Thailand Open Boxing Tournament but there is another option for the Referees & Judges to increase their status during the summer. The Monkstown Box Cup will be held in Ireland and parallel to the competition an AIBA 2-star Referee & Judge Course is scheduled which means there are a lot of opportunities for the Asian coaches and R&Js in the upcoming weeks.

The upcoming 2-star AIBA Coach Course will be held from July 15 until July 23 including with the date of the arrival and departure. The Course period of the seminar is between July 16 and July 22 while the deadline for all applications is June 1.

Current certified and active AIBA 1-star Coaches, who have done an AIBA 1-Star Coach Certification Course and the corresponding certification course, are eligible to take part in the upcoming 2-star

AIBA Coach Course in Jordan. Coaches who have never taken an AIBA Coach Certification Course should apply one of the forthcoming AIBA 1-Star Coach Courses.



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## AIBA 2-STAR COACH COURSE WILL BE HELD IN MANADO IN JULY 7-15

Indonesian Boxing Federation will be hosting an important AIBA 2-star Coach Course in the city of Manado in July 7-15. The course fee is 150 USD per participant while the Course will be held in the Ibis Hotel in Manado City, Indonesia.

There will be an AIBA 3-star R&J Course during the upcoming Thailand Open Boxing Tournament but there is another option for the Referees & Judges to increase their status during the summer. The Monkstown Box Cup will be held in Ireland and parallel to the competition an AIBA 2-star Referee & Judge Course is scheduled which means there are a lot of opportunities for the Asian coaches and R&Js in the upcoming weeks to develop their skills are stars.

The upcoming 2-star AIBA Coach Course will be held from July 7 until July 15 including with the date of the arrival and departure.

The Course period of the seminar is between July 8 and July 14 while the deadline for all applications is June 6. Another AIBA 2-star Coach Course will be held short after the Manado event in Amman, Jordan in July 25-23. Current certified and active AIBA 1-star Coaches, who have done an AIBA 1-Star Coach Certification Course and the corresponding certification course, are eligible to take part in the upcoming 2-star AIBA Coach Course in Indonesia. Coaches who have never taken an AIBA Coach Certification Course should apply one of the forthcoming AIBA 1-Star Coach Courses.



## A HISTORICAL AIBA 1-STAR R&J COURSE WAS HELD IN DPR KOREA TO DEVELOP THEIR GRASSROOTS

A historical AIBA 1-star Referee & Judge Course was held in the capital city of DPR Korea in Pyongyang which was a big step to develop the country's boxing background. More than 20 participants attended in the AIBA 1-star Referee & Judge Course in Pyongyang and DPR Korea's young and new referees have done their examinations.

Two experienced AIBA Instructors as Mr. Waldemar Mencil of Austria and Mr. Paiboon Srichaisawat led the AIBA 1-star Referee & Judge Course in Pyongyang. The seminars have been separated into two parts, the first one was theoretic with a lot of presentations following that the second was introduced in the practical level.

DPR Korea attended in the recent ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships and their boxers are planning to compete in Russia, in Thailand,

in Mongolia and some other events before the Jakarta 2018 Asian Games which shows their activity level is higher than in the recent 10 years.

The next important Referee & Judge Course will be held for the AIBA 3-stars during the Thailand Open Boxing Tournament in the end of June. The Monkstown Box Cup will be held in Ireland and parallel to its competition and with the Thailand Open Tournament an AIBA 2-star Referee & Judge Course is scheduled.



## **AIBA 2-STAR REFEREE & JUDGE COURSE WILL BE HELD IN THE CITY OF MANADO IN JULY 2-9**

The Indonesian Boxing Federation is very active in the international boxing map in 2018 and their next activity the AIBA 2-star Referee & Judge Course will be held in the city of Manado in July 2-9 during the 2nd edition of the Kapolri International Boxing Cup. The course fee of this is AIBA 2-star Referee & Judge Course is 200 USD per participant while the event will be held in the Ibis Hotel in Manado City, Indonesia.

Indonesia will be hosting also an important AIBA 2-star Coach Course in the city of Manado short after this Referee & Judge Course in July 7-15. These activities, the courses and the international tournament are all preparations for the upcoming Jakarta 2018 Asian Games where Indonesia is planning to show its boxing potential.

The upcoming 2-star AIBA Referee & Judge Course will be held from July 2 until July 9 including with the date of the arrival and departure. The Course period of the seminar is between July 3 and July 8 while the deadline for all applications is May 31. Another AIBA 2-star Referee & Judge Course will be held during the Monkstown Box Cup in Ireland in that period.

Current certified and active AIBA 1-star R&Js who certified for at least 12 months or current AIBA 2-star R&Js who are not active in the international level since 2012, are eligible to take part in the upcoming 2-star AIBA Refereeing & Judging Course in Indonesia.

There will be an AIBA 3-star Referee & Judge Course during the upcoming Thailand Open Boxing Tournament but there are other options for the Referees & Judges to increase their status during this summer.



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# PHILIPPINES WON THE MEDAL STANDINGS IN THE HISTORICAL FIRST BOXING TOURNAMENT AT THE MANILA 1954 ASIAN GAMES

The second edition of the Asian Games was held in 1954 in Manila in the Philippines where boxing was officially involved to the program of the multisport event at the very first time. Philippines claimed five gold medals in the historical first competition but South Korea and Japan also won titles in Manila.

The first boxing tournament was held in 7 men weight classes in Manila: 51kg, 54kg, 57kg, 60kg, 63.5kg, 67kg and 71kg. Ernesto Sajo (51kg), Helsinki 1952 Olympian Alejandro Ortuoste (54kg), Melbourne 1956 Olympian Celedonio Espinosa (60kg), two-time Olympian Ernesto Porto (63.5kg) and Vicente Yunacao (71kg) won the gold medals for the Philippines making the

Southeast Asian country proud. Sri Lanka competed in the first Asian Games under the name of Ceylon and their boxers claimed two medals in Manila. Myanmar was known previously as Burma and one of their athlete achieved bronze in the Asian Games. Singapore also signed up them to the medal standings of the historical boxing tournament in Manila.



## 1954 Asian Games boxing Champions

Manila, Philippines, May 1-9

### MEN

Name	Country	Weight category (kg)
Ernesto Sajo	Philippines	51
Alejandro Ortuoste	Philippines	54
Pak Kum Hyun	South Korea	57
Celedonio Espinosa	Philippines	60
Ernesto Porto	Philippines	63.5
Kazuma Fujimoto	Japan	67
Vicente Yunacao	Philippines	71

# JAPAN RANKED NO.1 IN THE TOKYO 1958 ASIAN GAMES WHERE BURMA ALSO WON TITLE IN THE BOXING TOURNAMENT

Following the first historical Asian Games in 1954 the next edition was held in the Japanese capital in Tokyo four years later. The 1958 edition of the Asian Games was a preparation for Tokyo to their 1960 Olympic Games and it was taking place in the Korakuen Ice Palace where the crowd could see six Japanese gold medals.

The first boxing tournament was held in 7 men weight classes in Manila but in the second edition boxers could attend in 10 different categories. Japan achieved 60% of the titles in the boxing tournament but South Korea took two gold medals while Burma and Chinese Taipei also won one weight classes in Tokyo. Burma and Chinese Taipei won their lone boxing titles in the history of the Asian Games in Tokyo.

Altogether 62 male boxers from 11 nations attended in the boxing tournament of the Tokyo 1958 Olympic Games. The participating countries were the followings:

Burma, Cambodia, Chinese Taipei, India, Iran, host Japan, Pakistan, Philippines, Singapore, South Korea and Thailand.

Philippines' titleholder Celedonio Espinosa attended in the 1958 edition but he claimed only bronze medal in Tokyo. Myanmar's 21-year-old Thein Myint attended in the Melbourne 1956 Olympic Games but surprisingly he has defeated his Japanese rival in the final of the bantamweight (54kg). South Korea's Kim Ki Soo was only 18 but he was able to win his welterweight (67kg) final against Iran's Soren Pirjanian.



## 1958 Asian Games boxing Champions

Tokyo, Japan, May 28-31

### MEN

Name	Country	Weight category (kg)
Akio Maki	Japan	51
Thein Myint	Myanmar	54
Isaki Ikeyama	Japan	57
Chung Dong Hun	South Korea	60
Shigemasa Kawakami	Japan	63,5
Kim Ki Soo	South Korea	67
Osumo Takahashi	Japan	71
Chang Lo Pu	Chinese Taipei	75
Shuichi Nakayama	Japan	81
Shunzo Nishio	Japan	+81

# INDIA'S PADAM BAHADUR MALL WAS THE BEST BOXER IN THE JAKARTA 1962 ASIAN GAMES

The 1962 edition of the Asian Games was held in the Indonesian capital in Jakarta between August 24 and September 4. The event was the fourth Asian Games and the third boxing tournament in the history of the multisport event. South Korea topped the medal rankings in 1962 with their three gold medals in Jakarta where the host country bagged only silver and bronze medals.

The first boxing tournament was held in 7 men weight classes in Manila but in the second edition boxers could attend in 10 different categories. Boxers could attend in the next 1962 Jakarta edition also in 10 weight classes from the 51kg up to the +81kg categories. India's Padam Bahadur Mall was named as the Best Boxer of the 1962 Asian Games.

Altogether 65 boxers from 11 countries attended in the boxing tournament of the Jakarta 1962 Asian Games. Strong boxers arrived to the Indonesian capital city from the following nations: Burma, Cambodia, Ceylon, India, Indonesia, Japan, Pakistan, Philippines, Singapore, South Korea and Thailand.

South Korea claimed three gold medals; Japan and Pakistan both took two titles in the Jakarta 1962 Asian Games. Thailand, Philippines and India also won one weight class in the Games where 10 nations out of the participating 11 took at least a bronze.

The venue of the boxing tournament was the Outdoor Tennis Stadium in Jakarta.

The first gold medal of the boxing tournament of the 1962 Asian Games was achieved by South Korea's Chung Shin Cho who claimed silver later at the Tokyo 1964 Olympic Games. The 22-year-old South Korean flyweight (51kg) boxer defeated Japan's Masao Karasawa in the first final of the Games. Kiyoshi Tanabe achieved a bronze medal at the Rome 1960 Olympic Games becoming the first Japanese boxer to win an Olympic medal. Following that historical medal he won the title in the Jakarta 1962 Olympic Games after beating Indonesia's No.1 Frans Soplanit in the final of the bantamweight (54kg). South Korea's Kim Deuk Bong took bronze medal in the 1958 Asian Games which he changed to gold in 1962. Pakistan did not take any titles before the 1962 edition but in Jakarta Muhammad Safdar and Barkat Ali both were crowned in the Games.



## 1962 Asian Games boxing Champions

Jakarta, Indonesia, August 24 – September 4

### MEN

Name	Country	Weight category (kg)
Chung Shing Jo	South Korea	51
Kiyoshi Tanabe	Japan	54
Samphan Payonrathana	Thailand	57
Padam Bahadur Mall	India	60
Kim Deuk Bong	South Korea	63,5
Amnfredo Alipada	Philippines	67
Koji Matsuda	Japan	71
Kim Duk Pal	South Korea	75
Muhammad Safdar	Pakistan	81
Barkat Ali	Pakistan	+81

## THE WELL-KNOWN HUAMARK INDOOR STADIUM WAS THE VENUE OF THE 1966 ASIAN GAMES WHERE SOUTH KOREA WAS THE NO.1 AND MALAYSIA ACHIEVED ITS FIRST MEDALS IN BOXING

The 1966 edition of the Asian Games was held in Bangkok, Thailand in December where eleven champions have been crowned. The event was the fifth Asian Games and the fourth boxing tournament in the history of the multisport event. South Korea topped the medal rankings in 1962 and their boxers could continue that tradition in Bangkok as well.

The first boxing tournament was held in 7 men weight classes in Manila but from the second edition boxers could attend in 10 different categories. The Olympic Council of Asia raised the number of the weight classes up to 11 in the 1966 edition. Boxers could attend in the 1966 Bangkok edition from the 48kg up to the +81kg weight categories.

South Korea continued its hegemony in the next 1966 Asian Games as well, among the 11 weight classes their boxers could win finally five divisions in Bangkok. Son Young Chan (51kg) defeated a tough Indonesian boxer in his final but one of their best performances was delivered by Kim Sung Eun (57kg) who triumphed over a host country talent, Thongchai Chandarasukhon.

Thailand was impressed in the boxing tournament and their boxers won three gold medals in the event which ranked them as No.2 behind South Korea in the medal standings. India, Japan and Philippines each achieved one title in the 1966 Asian Games in Bangkok. Japan impressed with their one gold and eight bronze medals in 1966.

Altogether 10 countries took at least one bronze medal in the event, besides to the gold medallist nations Pakistan, Indonesia, Iran, Malaysia and Burma were the further Asian countries on the medal table in 1966. Malaysia won two bronze medals at the 51kg and at the 67kg which were the first podium places of the country in boxing.

Thailand's first gold medal was captured by Prapan Duangchaoom who won the title of the light flyweight (48kg) short after his 22nd birthday and later he became Olympian in 1968. His teammate, two-time Olympian Cherdchai Udompaichitkul reached his career highlight in the Asian Games following his triumph over India's Narayan More in the final of the bantamweight (54kg).

The boxing tournament of the 1966 Asian Games was held in the Huamark Indoor Stadium which was also the venue of the Bangkok 2018 ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships this April. The Huamark Indoor Stadium will be the venue of the upcoming Thailand Open Boxing Tournament which is scheduled from June 28.



### 1966 Asian Games boxing Champions

Bangkok, Thailand, December 9-20

#### MEN

Name	Country	Weight category (kg)
Parpan Duangcha	Thailand	48
Young Chan Shon	South Korea	51
Cherdchai Udompaichitkul	Thailand	54
Kim Sung Eun	South Korea	57
Rodolfo Arpon	Philippines	60
Nyiom Prasertson	Thailand	63,5
Park Koo Il	South Korea	67
Lee Hong Man	South Korea	71
Seichi Sato	Japan	75
Kim Duk Pal	South Korea	81
Hari Singh	India	+81

## RICARDO FORTALEZA WAS THE YOUNGEST AND HAWA SINGH THE OLDEST WINNER IN THE BANGKOK 1970 ASIAN GAMES

The 1970 edition of the Asian Games was held in Bangkok, Thailand in December after the 1966 event once again. Philippines' six-time National Games winner strong teenager Ricardo Fortaleza won his weight class defeating all of his rivals with superb footwork in the Asian Games where South Korea won half dozen of titles. India's Hawa Singh defended his throne in the Asian Games after the 1966 edition.

The event was the sixth Asian Games and the fifth boxing tournament in the history of the multisport event. South Korea topped the medal rankings in 1962 and in 1966 and their boxers could continue that tradition in Bangkok as well proving the country was the best Asian nation in our sport some decades ago.

The first boxing tournament was held in 7 men weight classes in Manila but from the second edition boxers could attend in 10 different categories. The Olympic Council of Asia raised the number of the weight classes up to 11 in the 1966 edition. Boxers could attend in the 1970 Bangkok edition from the 48kg up to the +81kg weight categories.

South Korea continued its hegemony in the next 1970 Asian Games as well, among the 11 weight classes their boxers could win finally six divisions in Bangkok. Thailand ranked No.2 with their two titles and overall six medals in the ranking table. Philippines, India and Indonesia won the further titles in Bangkok where altogether 11 countries took at least one bronze medal in the event.

South Korea's Jee Yong Ju claimed silver medal in the Mexico 1968 Olympic Games and following that strong performance he was able to get the title of the Asian Games in Bangkok two years later. The 22-year-old South Korean flyweight (51kg) boxer defeated Japan's Miyoji Tateyama in the final of the Asian Games getting his next big result during his career.

Ricardo Fortaleza won the gold medal in the first Asian Junior Championships in 1969 and following his debut among the senior boxers the 19-year-old talent won the title in the Asian Games. Fortaleza, who worked later as coach in Oman, Taipei and in Australia, defeated Burma's Win Maung in the final of the bantamweight (54kg) with impressive performance.

Indonesia's first boxing gold medal in the history of the Asian Games was achieved by Welem Gommies who defeated Pakistan's Arif Malik in the final of the middleweight (75kg). India's 11-times National Champion Hawa Singh also demonstrated his power at the heavyweight (+81kg) and defended his Asian Games title after beating Iran's Omran Hatami in the final of the Bangkok event.



### 1970 Asian Games boxing Champions

Bangkok, Thailand, August 24 – September 4

#### MEN

Name	Country	Weight category (kg)
Kim Chung Bae	South Korea	48
Kim Young Yuh	South Korea	51
Ricardo Fortaleza	Philippines	54
Kim Sung Eun	South Korea	57
Kim Hyun Chi	South Korea	60
Srisook Buntoe	Thailand	63,5
Young Geun Jung	South Korea	67
Park Hyung Suk	South Korea	71
William Gommies	Indonesia	75
Manit Triaroom	Thailand	81
Hawa Singh	India	+81

## TEENAGERS WON TITLES IN THE TEHRAN 1974 ASIAN GAMES WHERE SOUTH KOREA AND IRAN WERE THE BESTS

The 1974 edition of the Asian Games was held the capital city of Iran in Tehran which was the first multisport event the Western Asian region. The boxing tournament of the 1974 Asian Games was held in the Aryamehr Sport Complex in Tehran between 5 and 14 September. DPR Korea's first gold medal was achieved by teenage talent Gu Yong Jo in Tehran where South Korea and Iran were the bests.

The event was the seventh Asian Games and the sixth boxing tournament in the history of the multisport event. South Korea topped the medal rankings in 1962, in 1966, in 1970 and their boxers ranked as No.1 also in 1974.

The first boxing tournament was held in 7 men weight classes in Manila but from the second edition boxers could attend in 10 different categories. The Olympic Council of Asia raised the number of the weight classes up to 11 in the 1966 edition. Boxers could attend in the 1974 Tehran edition from the 48kg up to the +81kg weight categories.

Altogether 90 boxers from 14 countries attended in the boxing tournament of the 1974 Asian Games in Tehran. The participating countries in the 1974 editions were the following nations: DPR Korea, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Japan, South Korea, Mongolia, Pakistan, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka and Thailand.

South Korea continued its hegemony in the boxing tournaments of the Asian Games but Iran's three gold medals were also impressive from the host country. DPR Korea won two titles in the 1974 edition while the last one was won by Japan in Tehran. India, Mongolia,

Pakistan, Philippines, Indonesia and Thailand also took medals in the event.

South Korea's first gold medal in 1974 was achieved by a teenager, Park Chan Hee who was later a successful professional boxer. The 17-year-old light flyweight (48kg) talent was too strong for Iran's Abdolreza Ansari in the final and following that Park's teammates won four further titles for South Korea's boxing.

DPR Korea's Olympic Games bronze medallist Gu Yong Jo defeated South Korea's Asian Champion Hwang Chul Soon in the final of the flyweight (51kg) securing his nation's first title. Japan's lone title in Tehran was acquired by Hitoshi Ishigaki at the bantamweight (54kg) while defending champion Ricardo Fortaleza of Philippines' lost his quarter-final bout.

Iran's Asian Boxing Championships bronze medallist Armenian-descent strong Masis Hambarsumian secured a gold medal for the host country with superb performance in the final of the light heavyweight (81kg). The current President of the Singapore Boxing Association Mr. Syed Abdul Kadir attended at the light flyweight (48kg) of the 1974 Asian Games.



### 1974 Asian Games boxing Champions

Tehran, Iran, September 5-14

#### MEN

Name	Country	Weight category (kg)
Park Chan Hee	South Korea	48
Gu Yong Jo	DPR Korea	51
Hitoshi Ishigaki	Japan	54
Yu Jong Man	South Korea	57
Kim Tai Ho	South Korea	60
Ro Yong So	DPR Korea	63,5
Kim Ju Seok	South Korea	67
Sharif Delaram	Iran	71
Kim Sung Chul	South Korea	75
Masis Hambarsumian	Iran	81
Abdolreza Andaveh	Iran	+81

## RECORD NUMBER OF 13 COUNTRIES WON MEDALS IN THE BANGKOK 1978 ASIAN GAMES

The 1978 edition of the boxing tournament of the Asian Games was held in Bangkok, Thailand in December 9-20. The boxing part of the 1978 Asian Games was taking place in the Bangkok Recreation Center. Record number of 13 countries claimed at least one medal in the boxing tournament of the Bangkok 1978 Asian Games.

The event was the eighth Asian Games and the seventh boxing tournament in the history of the multisport event. South Korea topped the medal rankings in 1962, in 1966, in 1970, in 1974 and also in the 1978 Bangkok edition. South Korea achieved five titles in Bangkok but Pakistan, Thailand, DPR Korea, Indonesia and Japan were also able to get gold medals in the 1978 editions.

The first boxing tournament was held in 7 men weight classes in Manila but from the second edition boxers could attend in 10 different categories. The Olympic Council of Asia raised the number of the weight classes up to 11 in the 1966 edition. Boxers could attend in the 1978 edition from the 48kg up to the +81kg weight categories.

Altogether 95 boxers from 17 countries attended in the boxing tournament of the 1978 Asian Games in Bangkok. The participating countries in the 1978 editions were the following nations: Burma, DPR Korea, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Japan, South Korea, Malaysia, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Syria and host Thailand.

The first gold medal of the 1978 edition was achieved by Thailand's Siri Supanya at the light flyweight (48kg) after beating DPR

Korea's Olympic Games silver medallist Ri Byong Uk in the opening final. Supanya delivered the host country's lone gold medal in Bangkok, their team claimed further three silver and two bronzes.

South Korea's Hwang Chul Soon took silver medal in the 1974 edition in Tehran which he changed into gold in 1978 following his triumph over Burma's Nyo Win in the final of the bantamweight (54kg). Hwang was only 17 by the time of the Tehran 1974 Asian Games and reached his career highlight at the age of 21 in 1978.

DPR Korea's Gu Yong Jo arrived to the event as titleholder and with a gold medal at his bag from the Montreal 1976 Olympic Games. The North Korean star spent only a short time in the ring at the final of the featherweight (57kg) against Pakistan's Mohamed Khan when the referee confirmed his RSC success. Indonesia's William Gommies claimed a historical gold medal for his nation at the 1970 Asian Games in Bangkok but he had to miss the 1974 edition in Tehran. The Indonesian boxer returned in 1978 and reached the top of the podium in Bangkok following his amazing success against DPR Korea's Chang Bon Mun in the final of the middleweight (75kg).



### 1978 Asian Games boxing Champions

Bangkok, Thailand, December 9-20

#### MEN

Name	Country	Weight category (kg)
Siri Supanya	Thailand	48
Ishi Koki	Japan	51
Hwang Chul Soon	South Korea	54
Gu Yong Jo	DPR Korea	57
Choi Chung Il	South Korea	60
Kim In Chang	South Korea	63,5
Hwang Jai Choon	South Korea	67
Park Il Chun	South Korea	71
William Gommies	Indonesia	75
Muhammad Iqbal	Pakistan	81
Mahmoud Ymtaiz	Pakistan	+81

# THE SOUTH KOREAN TEENAGERS SHOCKED THEIR OPPONENTS IN THE 1982 ASIAN GAMES IN DELHI

The 1982 edition of the boxing tournament of the Asian Games was held in Delhi, India from November 19 until December 4. The event was the ninth Asian Games and the eighth boxing tournament in the history of the multisport event. The South Korean teenagers shocked the Asian elite in Delhi where DPR Korea recorded their best ever performance in the history of the Games.

South Korea topped the medal rankings in 1962, in 1966, in 1970, in 1974, in 1978 and their boxers continued their hegemony in Delhi as well. South Korea achieved finally seven titles in Delhi but DPR Korea, India and Thailand were also able to get gold medals in the 1982 Asian Games. South Korea received the right to host the 1988 Seoul Olympic Games in 1981 and one year later their strong development shined in Delhi.

The first boxing tournament was held in 7 men weight classes in Manila in 1954 but from the second edition boxers could attend in 10 different categories. The Olympic Council of Asia raised the number of the weight classes up to 11 in the 1966 edition and also added a new category raising to 12 the divisions in 1982. Boxers could attend in the 1982 edition from the 48kg up to the +91kg weight categories.

Altogether 109 boxers from 19 countries attended in the boxing tournament of the 1978 Asian Games in Bangkok. The participating countries in the 1982 editions were the following nations: Afghanistan, Bangladesh, DPR Korea, Hong Kong, host India, Indonesia, Iraq, Japan, South Korea, Kuwait, Mongolia, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Saudi Arabia, South Yemen, Sri Lanka, Syria, and Thailand.

South Korea's AIBA World Boxing Championships bronze medallist Heo

Yong Mo was only 17 by the time of the 1982 Asian Games but he was able to beat Philippines' Efren Tabanas in the first final of the whole event at the light flyweight (48kg). Heo will become later two-time Asian Champion and he was quarter-finalist in the Los Angeles 1984 Olympic Games.

Moon Sung Kil was well-known as a great knockout puncher who won 164 contests by KO out of his 219 victories during his amateur career. The South Korean boxer was only 19 by the time of the 1982 Asian Games but Thailand's Wangchai Pongsri was not able to stop him in the final of the bantamweight (54kg) in Delhi.

South Korea's AIBA World Boxing Championships silver medallist Kim Dong Kil had to meet in the final of the light welterweight (63.5kg) with Thailand's future Olympic Games silver medallist Dhawee Umponmaha in Delhi. Kim landed several big punches in the second round and the referee stopped their world class final confirming the RSC victory of the South Korean teenager. DPR Korea also impressed in the 1982 Asian Games, three of their boxers as Jo Ryon Sik (57kg), Jong Jo Ung (60kg) and Cho Bong Kil (+91kg) defeated South Korean and Pakistani opponents in the finals. The host country achieved one title in Delhi, Kaur Singh was able to beat Iraq's Ismail Khalil in the final of the heavyweight (91kg).



## 1982 Asian Games boxing Champions

Delhi, India, November 27 – December 3

### MEN

Name	Country	Weight category (kg)
Heo Yong Mo	South Korea	48
Sanguo Teraporn	Thailand	51
Moon Sung Kil	South Korea	54
Jo Rion Sik	DPR Korea	57
Jong Jo Ung	DPR Korea	60
Kim Dong Kil	South Korea	63,5
Chung Yong Beom	South Korea	67
Lee Hae Jung	South Korea	71
Lee Nam Eui	South Korea	75
Hong Ki Ho	South Korea	81
Kaur Singh	India	91
Cho Bong Kil	DPR Korea	+91

# SOUTH KOREA SET UP A NEW RECORD AT THE SEOUL 1986 ASIAN GAMES WINNING ALL OF THE 12 WEIGHT CLASSES

The 1986 edition of the boxing tournament of the Asian Games was held in Seoul, South Korea from September 25 until October 4. The event was the tenth Asian Games and the ninth boxing tournament in the history of the multisport event. The South Koreans have done a remarkable performance their boxers won all of the 12 gold medals in Seoul.

South Korea topped the medal rankings in 1962, in 1966, in 1970, in 1974, in 1978, in 1982 and their boxers continued their hegemony in Seoul as well. South Korea won all of the gold medals in the boxing tournament of the 1986 Asian Games which is the current record of the event. South Korea received the right to host the 1988 Seoul Olympic Games in 1981 therefore their incredible dominance in 1986 was part of their long term strategy.

The first boxing tournament was held in 7 men weight classes in Manila in 1954 but from the second edition boxers could attend in 10 different categories. The Olympic Council of Asia raised the number of the weight classes up to 11 in the 1966 edition and also added a new category raising to 12 the divisions in 1982. Boxers could attend in the 1986 edition from the 48kg up to the +91kg weight categories.

Altogether 85 elite male boxers from 12 countries attended in the boxing tournament of the 1986 Asian Games in Seoul. The participating countries in the 1986 editions were the following nations: Bangladesh, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Japan, South Korea, Kuwait, Nepal, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka, and Thailand.

The first gold medal of the boxing tournament of the 1986 Asian Games was achieved by a 21-year-old South Korean, Oh Kwang Soo at the light flyweight (48kg). He claimed bronze medal in the Reno 1986

AIBA World Boxing Championships before the Asian Games where he controlled his final against Thailand's Supap Boonrawd which ended with RSC success.

Kim Kwang Sun was 22-year-old by the time of the 1986 Asian Games which he won with his top performance in the final of the flyweight (51kg) against India's Sahu Birajdor. Kim attacked successfully and knocked out his Indian rival in the final which was his first big international triumph. Kim Kwang Sun became Olympic Champion in Seoul two years later.

South Korea's another star Moon Sung Kil was well-known as a great knockout puncher who won 164 contests by KO out of his 219 victories during his amateur career. The South Korean boxer defended his throne in Seoul following his first triumph at the Delhi 1982 Asian Games. Moon, who was AIBA World Champion in 1986, dominated his bantamweight (54kg) final against Thailand's Sophon Sujarikul in Seoul.

South Korea's AIBA World Boxing Championships silver medallist and Los Angeles 1984 Olympic Games quarter-finalist Kim Dong Kil also won his second Asian Games title in Seoul. Kim won the light welterweight (63.5kg) in 1982 and defeated all of his rivals at the welterweight (67kg) in 1986.

Asian Boxing Champion Lee Hae Jung also did a remarkable performance in the 1986 Asian Games and became the third



## 1986 Asian Games boxing Champions

Seoul, South Korea, September 20 – October 5

### MEN

Name	Country	Weight category (kg)
Oh Kwang	South Korea	48
Kim Kwang Sun	South Korea	51
Moon Sung Kil	South Korea	54
Park Hyung Ok	South Korea	57
Kwon Hyun Kyu	South Korea	60
Kim Ki Taek	South Korea	63,5
Kim Dong Kil	South Korea	67
Lee Hae Jung	South Korea	71
Shin Joon Sup	South Korea	75
Yong Min Byung	South Korea	81
Kim Hyun Yoo	South Korea	91
Baik Hyun Man	South Korea	+91

South Korean who could defend his throne in Seoul. Lee won the title of the light middleweight (71kg) in 1982 and repeated that performance in the same category in 1986 after beating Japan's Chiharu

Ogiwara in the final by RSC. His teammate Los Angeles 1984 Olympic Games winner Shin Joon Sup dominated his middleweight (75kg) final against Thailand's Narong Inphrom.

# YERUBEK, SEITZHANOV, KABIIYEV AND IRAN'S AHMADISAFSA SHINED IN THE TAIMANOV & UTEMISOV MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT

The 10th edition of the Issatai Taimanov & Makhambet Utemisov Memorial Tournament for the elite men boxers was held in Atyrau, Kazakhstan which is a prestigious competition in our continent and launched in 2009. Kazakhstan's young hopes as Askar Yerubek, Ray Seitzhanov and Temirlan Kabiyeu furthermore Iran's strong boxer Omid Ahmadiisafa made top level of boxing in Atyrau.

Issatai Taimanov and Makhambet Utemisov were Kazakhstan's heroes who lived in the 18th and 19th centuries and not only served their country as warriors but poets as well. The competition will be held in Atyrau which is located off the coast of the Caspian Sea and the traditional venue of the Issatai Taimanov & Makhambet Utemisov Memorial Tournament.

The 2017 edition of the Issatai Taimanov & Makhambet Utemisov Memorial Tournament saw that Kazakhstan, Russia, China and Kyrgyzstan claimed the gold medals. This time host Kazakhstan, Mongolia, Iran and Russia won the titles in the 10th edition of the Issatai Taimanov & Makhambet Utemisov Memorial Tournament.

The city of Atyrau hosted several international competitions besides to the Issatai Taimanov and Makhambet Utemisov Memorial Tournament in the recent years to raise the region's boxing life including with the Askar Kulibayev Prizes Tournament and the Moldagulova & Dospanova & Mametova Women's Memorial Tournament.

Iran's Omid Ahmadiisafa is the country's best light flyweight (49kg) boxer in the recent 10 years who showed his talent

once again and defeated Kazakhstan's Zhandos Nesipzhan in the first final of the Issatai Taimanov and Makhambet Utemisov Memorial Tournament. Iran's top talent has been preparing hard to the upcoming Asian Games where he is among the medal contenders.

Kazakhstan's younger hope Kuanysh Duisenbay walked over to the gold medal at the flyweight (52kg) where his strong WSB opponent Anvar Muzaparov was unable to box against him. Muzaparov has been competing in the international level since 2009 but he had to please with silver medal in Atyrau.

Mongolia's Nurlan Askhar has got Kazakh roots and moved up to the bantamweight (56kg) but his skills were enough to get the title in the Issatai Taimanov and Makhambet Utemisov Memorial Tournament. The silver medal was achieved by Uzbekistan's Abdulla Kuchkarov who claimed gold medal in their 2014 National Championships while Kazakhstan's Aidos Arapov took only bronze medal in Atyrau.

Asylzhan Uzakbayev delivered a sensation in the semi-final of the lightweight (60kg) when he eliminated Kazakhstan's Nanjing

2014 Youth Olympic Games silver medallist Sultan Zaurbek. Following that success Uzakbayev was not enough shape in the final but he could beat Kyrgyzstan's ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships bronze medallist Munarbek Seyitbek Uulu in a close contest.

Askar Yerubek defeated Kyrgyzstan's FISU University World Boxing Championships bronze medallist Temirlan Osmonov, Abdukhasil Baltiyev and former Kazakh National Champion Yerzhan Ordabayev during his road to the title of the light welterweight (64kg). Mongolia's Rio 2016 Olympic Games quarter-finalist Erdenebat Tsendbaatar impressed in his new category but achieved only bronze medal in Atyrau.



Kazakhstan's Youth National Champion Ray Seitzhanov joined to the elite age group in 2017 but his efforts were enough to beat Mongolia's Batkhuyag Sukhkhuyag in the semi-final and Iran's ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships No.1 Sajjad Kazemzadeh in the final of the welterweight (69kg).

Russia's lone gold medal in the Issatai Taimanov and Makhambet Utemisov Memorial Tournament was achieved by Timur Kerefov who defeated Iran's Seyed Shahin Mousavi in the final of the middleweight (75kg). Kazakhstan's Azamat Bakytov walked over to the title of the light heavyweight (81kg) following his Uzbek Youth National Champion opponent Abdukarim Farmonov did not fight against him.

Kazakhstan's Temirlan Kabiyeu was ASBC Asian Youth Champion in 2014 and moved up to the heavyweight (91kg) to give himself new chances in the elite level and his speed was enough to beat his teammate Bogdan Filatov in the final. Yesenali Shungarin surprised his opponents in the super heavyweight (+91kg) and defeated all of his rivals quickly using his powerful combinations.



## LIST OF THE WINNERS IN THE TAIMANOV & UTEMISOV MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT

- Men's 49 kg: Omid Ahmadiisafa, Iran
- Men's 52 kg: Kuanysh Duisenbay, Kazakhstan
- Men's 56 kg: Nurlan Askhar, Mongolia
- Men's 60 kg: Asylzhan Uzakbayev, Kazakhstan
- Men's 64 kg: Askar Yerubek, Kazakhstan
- Men's 69 kg: Ray Seitzhanov, Kazakhstan
- Men's 75 kg: Timur Kerefov, Russia
- Men's 81 kg: Azamat Bakytov, Kazakhstan
- Men's 91 kg: Temirlan Kabiyeu, Kazakhstan
- Men's +91 kg: Yesenali Shungarin, Kazakhstan



## YOUNG WINNERS IN THE ABDUSALAM NURMAKHANOV TOURNAMENT WHICH WAS SHYMKENT'S BOXING HIGHLIGHT THIS YEAR

The Abdusalam Nurmakhanov Tournament was held in the city of Shymkent where several young boxers won their weight classes and proved their talents. Kazakhstan's Rustam Khamidov, Kyrgyzstan's Argen Kadyrbek Uulu, Uzbekistan's Shokhrukhbek Rustamov and Kazakhstan's Nurlan Saparbay could be sensations in the future.

The Abdusalam Nurmakhanov Tournament is one of Kazakhstan's top events where the neighbouring countries are competing also with their new waves. Kazakhstan achieved eight gold medals in Shymkent but Kyrgyzstan and Uzbekistan both were able to get one title in the strong international competition.

Kazakhstan's Rustam Khamidov competed successfully in the youth age group in 2016 and proved he is a top option for the future

at the light flyweight (49kg). Khamidov and his final opponent Kyrgyzstan's ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships bronze medallist Syrgak Dzhanseitov both were born in 1998. The Kazakh boxer found the best fighting distance and defeated his technician Kyrgyz opponent in the final.

Kazakhstan's Kanat Turganbayev delivered one of the biggest sensations in the whole competition in Shymkent in spite of the fact he has been competing in the international

level since 2011. The Kazakh boxer was able to beat Uzbekistan's National Champion and Indian Open Tournament winner Khudoynazar Fayzov in the final of the flyweight (52kg).

Nariman Amantay is the not most famous Kazakh boxer at the bantamweight (56kg) but he defeated all of his four rivals in Shymkent. Kyrgyzstan's lone gold medal in the event was acquired by Argen Kadyrbek Uulu who is their U21 National Champion and involved to the national team this year. The Kyrgyz lightweight (60kg) boxer defeated Kazakhstan's Mukhamed Al-Makhmut and Uzbekistan's Shukurullo Vokhidov in the final stages.

Kazakhstan's Abdaliyev Memorial Tournament winner 22-year-old Nurzhan Makashbayev attended in several national and international events therefore his experiences were enough to beat Nurbol Sultanbay in the final of the light welterweight (64kg). The next title in the Nurmakhanov Tournament was achieved by Kazakhstan's Stanislav Choi who has been attending in the national elite events since 2016 and his strength was the difference in the final when he met with Mukhammed Abdykhalyk.

Shokhrukhbek Rustamov is Uzbekistan's young hope who claimed bronze medal in the Pavlodar 2016 ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships where he lost to Kazakhstan's Aman Kazankapov in the semi-final. The 20-year-old Uzbek middleweight (75kg) boxer knew his opponent and his well-built tactic delivered for him a gold medal making revenge against Kazankapov.

Zhusip Kuandyk won the Aksholakov Tournament in Aktobe, the Galym Zharylgapov Memorial Tournament in Karagandy and after these successes he bagged the gold medal of the

Nurmakhanov Tournament in Shymkent. The 23-year-old light heavyweight (81kg) boxer defeated Youth Olympic Games silver medallist Vadim Kazakov and Bayanbek Sametov in the final two days of the event.

Abilkhayir Turlanbekov competed in the Season VIII of the World Series of Boxing as member of the Astana Arlans Kazakhstan and his stamina was enough to beat Zhanibek Kartbayev in the final of the heavyweight (91kg). Nurlan Saparbay will be turning to 21 only later this year but he has got high number of experiences in the international competitions. Saparbay defeated ASBC Asian Junior Champion Dmitry Zisko and FISU University World Champion Nursultan Amanzholov as well.



### LIST OF THE WINNERS IN THE NURMAKHANOV TOURNAMENT

- 49 kg: Rustam Khamidov, Kazakhstan
- 52 kg: Kanat Turganbayev, Kazakhstan
- 56 kg: Nariman Amantay, Kazakhstan
- 60 kg: Argen Kadyrbek Uulu, Kyrgyzstan
- 64 kg: Nurzhan Makashbayev, Kazakhstan
- 69 kg: Stanislav Choi, Kazakhstan
- 75 kg: Shokhrukhbek Rustamov, Uzbekistan
- 81 kg: Zhusip Kuandyk, Kazakhstan
- 91 kg: Abilkhayir Turlanbekov, Kazakhstan
- +91 kg: Nurlan Saparbay, Kazakhstan

# KYRGYZSTAN'S BORBASHEV RETURNED TO THE BOXING WORLD WITH A TITLE IN THE VAKHITOV TOURNAMENT

The prestigious Rafael Vakhitov Tournament was held in Pavlodar, Kazakhstan where ten champions were crowned in the international event. Kyrgyzstan impressed with its three gold medals which were achieved by two youngsters as Bek Kamchybekov and Abdurakhman Abdurakhmanov, furthermore a veteran boxer Chyngyz Borbashev who returned to the world of boxing in the recent months.

The city of Pavlodar hosted the 2016 edition of the ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships and the Pavlodar Regional Boxing Federation organized another international event, the Rafael Vakhitov Tournament in the same venue this time for the men's elite boxers.

The best team of the event was Kazakhstan's Pavlodar region with their three gold medals but Kyrgyzstan also achieved three titles in the Vakhitov Tournament. Russia, Ukraine and at the very first time Serbia also sent teams to the Rafael Vakhitov Tournament to Pavlodar from the European continent.

Mr. Rafael Vakhitov is honoured coach of the Kazakh SSR, whose name is associated with the history of the formation and development of the Pavlodar boxing school.

Since 1976, Mr. Vakhitov is a key figure of physical culture and sports of the Republic of Kazakhstan, his coaching experience is about 60 years.

The first gold medal was achieved by Kazakhstan's Sabyr Zholaushiyev who walked over to the gold medal following his opponent, Kyrgyzstan's experienced international boxer Mirlan Turkbay Uulu was unable to box against him. Kazakhstan's Kanat Sangyl was a successful youth boxer who moved to the elite level in the recent months and impressed in the final of the flyweight (52kg) when he met with more experienced Akniyet Baltabayev.

Aybat Shukelov is not the most well-known bantamweight (56kg) boxer in Kazakhstan but following his semi-final success over Abylay Saylaubekov he was able to knock down Kyrgyzstan's multiple international tournament winner Sirodjiddin Abdullaev in the final at the Vakhitov Tournament. Kazakhstan's Maksim Goncharov is also a young hope who defeated international boxer Rustam Rustamov and Ayshulak Kasanov in the final stages of the lightweight (60kg).

Kyrgyzstan's first gold medal was achieved by Bek Kamchybekov who used his powerful combinations to keep the control against all of his Uzbek and Kazakh rivals at the light welterweight (64kg). Kyrgyzstan's another



young hope Abdurakhman Abdurakhmanov won a tournament in Kazakhstan last year and he was able to beat all of his rivals including Nurzhan Makashbayev and Rustam Shaymerdinov.

Kazakhstan's Vladislav Stolbovskiy was ASBC Asian Junior Champion in 2013 and joined to the elite age group in 2016 but his gold medal in Pavlodar was over his expectations. The 21-year-old middleweight (75kg) boxer eliminated Uzbekistan's Jasurbek Toshtemirov in the semi-final and continued his winning path against Russia's Ramazan Kazibekov in the final. The gold medal of the light heavyweight (81kg) went to Azamat Bakytov who walked over to the title against Kazakhstan's ASBC Asian Youth Champion Dmitriy Akhtsiger.

Kyrgyzstan's veteran Chyngyz Borbashev competed at the 2003 AIBA Cadet World Boxing Championships in the international level at the very first time and returned after two years of hiatus but his power was enough to beat Kazakhstan's Artem Pchelyakov quickly in the final of the heavyweight (91kg). The tenth gold medal

in the Vakhitov Tournament was achieved by Pavlodar's Serik Musadilov who defeated Danila Semenov in the final.



## LIST OF THE WINNERS IN THE VAKHITOV TOURNAMENT

- 49 kg: Sabyr Zholaushiyev, Kazakhstan
- 52 kg: Kanat Sangyl, Kazakhstan
- 56 kg: Aybat Shukelov, Kazakhstan
- 60 kg: Maksim Goncharov, Kazakhstan
- 64 kg: Bek Kamchybekov, Kyrgyzstan
- 69 kg: Abdurakhman Abdurakhmanov, Kyrgyzstan
- 75 kg: Vladislav Stolbovskiy, Kazakhstan
- 81 kg: Azamat Bakytov, Kazakhstan
- 91 kg: Chyngyz Borbashev, Kyrgyzstan
- +91 kg: Serik Musadilov, Kazakhstan



## ASIAN WINNERS IN THE GOVERNOR CUP IN ST. PETERSBURG

52 kg: Azat Usenaliyev, Kyrgyzstan

56 kg: Mirazizbek Mirzakhililov,  
Uzbekistan

75 kg: Israil Madrimov, Uzbekistan

81 kg: Bektemir Melikuziev,  
Uzbekistan

+91 kg: Bakhodir Jalolov, Uzbekistan

The Governor Cup was held in St. Petersburg where the Asian stars won half of the gold medals in the strong competition. Kyrgyzstan's ASBC Asian Champion Azat Usenaliyev returned with amazing performance in the event while the strong Uzbeks dominated the finals in the Governor Cup.

## FIVE ASIAN GOLD MEDALS IN THE STRONG GOVERNOR CUP

Uzbekistan claimed altogether 10 medals in the Governor Cup including four gold medals in St. Petersburg and produced similar performance as the host Russians. The Uzbek team has been preparing to the Jakarta 2018 Asian Games and following their successful step in St. Petersburg their next one will be the Republic of Kazakhstan President's Cup in Astana.

Uzbekistan's Mirazizbek Mirzakhililov claimed silver medal in the Subic Bay 2013 ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing

Championships and he developed step by step among the elite boxers but he achieved an unexpected gold medal in the Governor Cup. The 23-year-old Uzbek had to meet in the final with his star teammate Rio 2016 Olympic Games gold medallist Shakhobiddin Zoirov but Mirzakhililov was able to solve that tactical job and won the title of the bantamweight (56kg).

Israil Madrimov is the defending ASBC Asian Champion at the middleweight (75kg) who did not give any chance to

his opponents in St. Petersburg where he won all of the rounds at the final against Russia's Gleb Bakshi. His teammate Rio 2016 Olympic Games silver medallist and two-time ASBC Asian Champion Bektemir Melikuziev also impressed with his energetic style and the 22-year-old star defeated Russia's National Champion Georgiy Kushitashvili in the final of the light heavyweight (81kg).

Uzbekistan's fourth gold medal was taken by another ASBC Asian Champion and AIBA World Boxing Championships bronze medallist boxer, Bakhodir Jalolov who is in his best form this year. The 24-year-old Uzbek super heavyweight (+91kg) boxer knocked down his Russian rival Vladislav Muravin in the final and the host country's ringside abandoned their unequal contest. Uzbekistan's Rio 2016 Olympic Games winner Hasanboy Dusmatov and his Russian opponent Bator Sagaluyev did

a sensational final at the light flyweight (49kg) and the host nation boxer won that bout surprisingly by split decision.

Kyrgyzstan sent a strong team to the Governor Cup and their ASBC Asian Champion Azat Usenaliyev eliminated Russia's Hamburg 2017 AIBA World Boxing Championships bronze medallist Tamir Galanov in the semi-final. The 27-year-old Kyrgyz flyweight (52kg) boxer was hungry for a big success and controlled the first two rounds in the final against Kazakhstan's Azat Makhmetov. Following Usenaliyev's shots the Kazakh boxer injured in the third round and the Kyrgyz hope returned with a superb success to the international level.

Kazakhstan had four medallists in the Governor Cup, Bocskai Memorial Tournament winner Azat Makhmetov claimed silver in St. Petersburg. Hamburg 2017 AIBA World Boxing Championships bronze medallist Yerzhan Zhomart (49kg), National Champion Adilet Kurmetov (60kg) and Abzal Kuttybekov (91kg) were getting their further podium places following their losses in the semi-finals.



## CHINESE TAIPEI CLAIMED TWO GOLD MEDALS IN THE HISTORICAL BOXING EVENT OF THE ISF GYMNASIADE IN MOROCCO

The junior boxing team of Chinese Taipei claimed two gold medals in the ISF Gymnasiade which was held in Marrakech, Morocco. Boxing was involved to the program and among the Asian nations Chinese Taipei achieved two titles following Hung Yu Mei and Tsai Jui Chih won their weight classes in Marrakech.

The ISF Gymnasiade is a multisport event which was launched in 1974 but the new edition was the first when boxing was involved to the official program of the Games. Junior boxers who were born in 2002 and in 2003 had the right to compete in the historical boxing tournament of the ISF Gymnasiade.

Hung Yu Mei claimed gold medals in the recent two editions of the Chinese Taipei National President's Cup and following her amazing national successes she was involved to their team in the ISF Gymnasiade. The 16-year-old light welterweight (63kg) boxer had to meet in the final of the event with Russia's National Champion Kristina Kulukhova but Hung was able to control the fight against her top rival. Hung Yu Mei's hand was raised after the final bell which gold medal is her career highlight.

Tsai Jui Chih is Chinese Taipei's best man junior hope who was there in the Top8 at the Puerto Princesa 2017 ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships when he spent his first year among the juniors. Tsai arrived to Marrakech in top form and his 45 previous contests helped him to win Chinese Taipei's second gold medal in the ISF Gymnasiade. Tsai defeated three top European boxers in Marrakech such as Hungary's Milan Muhovits, Russia's powerful Ivan Lyspak and Ukraine's Hennadii Maslennikov at the men's light bantamweight (52kg).

Chinese Taipei's Lu Zih Ying claimed silver medal at the women's light bantamweight (52kg) while Tseng Kuan Ting (men's 48kg), Lin Chun Hsien (men's 57kg), Chang Chun Pin (men's 63kg), Wei Chi Yi (women's 48kg) and Chang Yi Hsuan (women's 57kg) were their further bronze medallists in Marrakech.



## **WU ZHONGLIN, MAIMAITI TUERSUNQIONG AND WANG ZHIBAO TOOK THREE GOLD MEDALS FOR CHINA IN THE BOXAM TOURNAMENT**

The Boxam Tournament is a traditional European boxing event in Spain which was held in Murcia this week. Among the Asian National Federations China decided to send a team to the Boxam Tournament this time and their elite squad, which has been preparing to the Asian Games. Six of their boxers advanced to the finals and among them Wu Zhonglin, Maimaiti Tuersunqiong and Wang Zhibao claimed gold medals in Murcia.

Russia's Volodya Mnatsakanyan eliminated Spain's WSB talent Martin Molina in the semi-final of the light flyweight (49kg) which was a small sensation in Murcia. The Armenian-descent Russian boxer met for title with China's WSB boxer Wu Zhonglin who was a hard target for Mnatsakanyan in the first round. The Chinese boxer found his best fighting distance quickly and caught his Russian rival with mainly jabs. The final verdict was unanimous decision to Wu Zhonglin who claimed China's first gold medal in Murcia.

China's Hu Jianguan was bronze medallist in the Rio 2016 Olympic Games and returned to the national squad after an injury. The 25-year-old flyweight (52kg) boxer defeated Spain's Juan Carlos Jimenez in the semi-final with strong footwork. The Chinese boxer was not able to repeat that dominant performance against Spain's EUBC European Confederation U22 Boxing Championships silver medallist Gabriel Escobar and claimed silver medal in Murcia.

Two-time Olympian 30-year-old Maimaiti Tuersunqiong returned to the national team after four years of break and received the right to compete in the Boxam Tournament. The Chinese welterweight (69kg) boxer eliminated Denmark's Islam Zaypulayev, Belgium's Albert Pegba Bikoko and Hungary's WSB boxer Andras Vadasz during his road to the finals. The Xinjiang-based veteran was a hard target for Belgium's Ruben Veciunca in the final therefore he secured China's second gold medal in Murcia. Chen Daxiang is a newcomer in

the Chinese national elite team but he was able to beat in the semi-final Russia's EUBC European Youth Champion Sergei Murashev. Following his great upset which he caused in Murcia he faced with Spain's experienced Alejandro Camacho in the final of the light heavyweight (81kg). The European boxer started their contest in different rhythm and landed clear punches in the first part of the bout. Chen found his best distance in the third round but his efforts were not enough to win their final in Murcia.

China's WSB boxer Wang Zhibao has got experiences from the recent editions of the ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships and he was impressed once again in Murcia. The Chinese boxer eliminated France's Soheb Bouafia in the semi-final of the heavyweight (91kg) and delivered one of the best ever performances in the final against Russia's Vladislav Ivanov. The Chinese boxer landed great hooks in the third round and his hard work delivered for him a gold medal in Murcia.

China's super heavyweight (+91kg) boxer Mu Haipeng was involved to the national elite team in 2015 and he proved his strength in the semi-final when he faced with Spain's Martino Rio Gonzalez. The 23-year-old Chinese boxer did strong performance also in the final where he was competitive for France's EUBC European Confederation Boxing Championships bronze medallist Djamil Dini Aboudou Moindze. The French boxer was slightly better in their exchanges but Mu's silver medal in Murcia was a top performance.

# AFGHANISTAN BOXING FEDERATION HOSTED A COACH PREPARATION COURSE TO DEVELOP THEIR BACKGROUND

Afghanistan Boxing Federation increased their level of activities in the recent one year and the developing country is on the best way to join to the top Asian countries in the upcoming 5-10 years. Afghanistan Boxing Federation hosted a preparation course for their upcoming AIBA 1-star Coach Course which began on May 7 and it was running through in their capital city in Kabul until May 13.

The active and strong President of the Afghanistan Boxing Federation Mr. Abdullah Sattari also attended in the preparation course which was hold by Mr. Abdullah Azizpor who is a 3-star AIBA coach in the country. More than 50 coaches attended in the preparation course from each region of Afghanistan which was taking place in the Afghanistan International Boxing Stadium in Kabul.

Afghanistan sent boxers to the last edition of the ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships to Bangkok and one of their talent qualified for the Budapest 2018 AIBA Youth World Boxing Championships. Afghanistan is planning to attend in more international events in the future and the education of their coaches is important step in that road.





## MILANA SAFRONOVA CAUSED A BIG SENSATION IN THE KAZAKHSTAN WOMEN'S NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS IN ASTANA WHERE FIVE BOXERS DEFENDED THEIR THRONES

The new edition of the Kazakhstan Women's National Boxing Championships was held in Astana where several big surprises caused by former national team members. Five boxers defended their titles including AIBA Women's World Champions as Nazym Kyzaibay, Dina Zholaman and Lazzat Kungeibayeva.

Astana hosted the last edition of the AIBA Women's World Boxing Championships in May 2016 and all of their stars will be attending in the national event. The event is the first selection for the Kazakh boxers for the upcoming AIBA Women's World Boxing Championships which will be taking place in India in November.

Aigerim Kasenayeva has been competing in the international level since

many years but in the national events she lost in the recent editions. The light flyweight (48kg) boxer has done excellent job in the semi-final against two-time National Champion Alina Turlubayeva but she was still enough hungry for the success against Alua Balkybekova and defeated the titleholder of the event.

Nazym Kyzaibay is two-time AIBA Women's World Champion who moved up to the flyweight (51kg) after her last

title in Astana. The 25-year-old boxer claimed bronze medal in the Ho Chi Minh City 2017 ASBC Asian Confederation Women's Boxing Championships. Kyzaibay had to meet in the final with her main national rival Rio 2016 Olympian Zhaina Shekerbekova and as in 2017 she was able to beat her.

Following Kyzaibay's gold medal in Astana another AIBA Women's World Champion Dina Zholaman was capable to beat all of her top national rivals as ASBC Asian Confederation Women's Boxing Championships competitor Rano Parkhatova and Aida Tuyakbay during her road to the title of the bantamweight (54kg).

AIBA Women's Youth World Boxing Championships bronze medallist 20-year-old Nazym Ishchanova was the titleholder of the featherweight (57kg) but she lost the final to a former national team member, Saniya Sultankyzy. The bronze medals went to AIBA Women's Youth World Champion Balaussa Muzdiman and 19-year-old Vladislava Kukhta.

Rimma Volosenko is member of the national top team at the lightweight (60kg) since 2016 and her current skills were enough to beat a technician rival AIBA Women's World Boxing Championships bronze medallist Aizhan Khodzhabekova. The bronze medals of this weight class were achieved by international boxers as Zhanna Baskayeva and Karina Ibragimova.

Madina Nurshayeva won the gold medal of the light welterweight (64kg) at the Ho Chi Minh City 2017 ASBC Asian Confederation Women's Boxing Championships and became the Best Asian Woman Boxer in 2017. In spite of her strong pedigree she was unable to



### LIST OF THE WINNERS IN THE KAZAKHSTAN WOMEN'S NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 48 kg: Aigerim Kasenayeva
- 51 kg: Nazym Kyzaibay
- 54 kg: Dina Zholaman
- 57 kg: Saniya Sultankyzy
- 60 kg: Rimma Volosenko
- 64 kg: Milana Safronova
- 69 kg: Akerke Bakhytzhan
- 75 kg: Dariga Shakimova
- 81 kg: Fariza Shaltay
- +81 kg: Lazzat Kungeibayeva

capture the gold medal in Astana where an experienced boxer Milana Safronova defeated her by split decision causing the biggest sensation in the event.

In the absence of AIBA Women's World Champion Valentina Khalzova a young talent Akerke Bakhytzhan won the gold medal of the welterweight (69kg) after beating Bayan Akbayeva in the final. Rio 2016 Olympic Games bronze medallist Dariga Shakimova impressed in the final of the middleweight (75kg) and defended her throne following her success over 20-year-old Aida Ondash.

Fariza Shaltay's skills developed rapidly in the recent two years and after several attempts she was enough strong in Astana to beat all of her rivals including Anastasia Rylina in the final of the light heavyweight (81kg) while experienced Moldir Bazarbayeva took only bronze medal this time. The last gold medal of the whole national event was won by Lazzat Kungeibayeva who was too strong for Umida Sadykova.

## ASBC DISCOVERY OF 2017 HUSSIN AL-MASRI WINS IN THE SYRIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The new edition of the Syrian National Boxing Championships for the elite men boxers was taking place in Damascus which was also a selection event for the Jakarta 2018 Asian Games. Syria's top boxers as Islamic Solidarity Games winner Hussin Al-Masri, Mohammed Deeb, Abdelmouen Aziz, Ahmad Ghossoun, Alaaldin Ghossoun and Mohammad Moulayes are all won their categories in Damascus.

Boxing is important and competitive in Syria in spite of their difficulties which are thankful to ASBC Executive Committee member and President of the Syrian Boxing Association Mr. Issa Al-Nassar and their whole boxing family. Five of the Syrian boxers advanced to the Top8 in the Tashkent 2017 ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships and their bests were able to win medals including gold in the Islamic Solidarity Games one year ago.

Altogether 13 teams and 69 elite male boxers could attend in the Syrian National Boxing Championships in 10 weight classes in Damascus. The Army Boxing Club topped the team rankings, Police Boxing Club and Latakia became second and third among the participating 13 squads in Damascus.

Army's Hussin Al-Masri was awarded the Best Asian Discovery Boxer of the Year 2017 and following his gold medal at the Islamic Solidarity Games he was enough smart to win his next national title in Syria. The 26-year-old light flyweight (49kg) boxer did not

give any chance to Hadi Daref in the final of the event.

Army's Ward Ali had to meet with his main local rival Police's Marwan Doumerieh and he was able to beat the titleholder of the flyweight (52kg) causing a surprise in the Syrian National Boxing Championships. Police Boxing Club's first gold medal was achieved by Ali Muhammad who defeated Army's Yamin Jneid in the final of the bantamweight (56kg).

Mohammed Deeb defeated Abdelkader Dawajee in the final of the 2017 Syrian National Boxing Championships but he lost to his opponent in the 2017 Syrian National Cup. Their rivalry at the lightweight (60kg)

was continued in the new national event which was won by Mohammed Deeb this time by split decision.

Mohamed Kher Mousatat was involved to the national team in 2015 and he could be ready to win contests also in the international events next year. The Army boxer impressed in the Syrian National Boxing Championships and his previous experiences paid off when he faced with Khaled Shartah in the final of the national event.

Police Boxing Club's veteran Abdelmouen Aziz qualified for the Hamburg 2017 AIBA World Boxing Championships but he was not able to box in Germany. Aziz, who moved back to the welterweight (69kg) in the recent half year, eliminated Damascus International Tournament winner Khader Obaydah in the semi-final and continued his winning path against Latakia's Laeth Mouthlij in the final.

Ahmad Ghossoun is Syria's best boxer currently who claimed bronze medal in the 2015 edition of the ASBC Asian



### LIST OF THE WINNERS IN THE SYRIAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 49 kg: Hussin Al-Masri
- 52 kg: Ward Ali
- 56 kg: Ali Muhammad
- 60 kg: Mohammed Deeb
- 64 kg: Mohamed Kher Mousatat
- 69 kg: Abdelmouen Aziz
- 75 kg: Ahmad Ghossoun
- 81 kg: Yahia Taha
- 91 kg: Alaaldin Ghossoun
- +91 kg: Mohammad Moulayes

Confederation Boxing Championships in Bangkok and silver in the 2014 ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships. The 22-year-old top talent moved up to the middleweight (75kg) and dominated his final against Der Alzour's Abdullah Housaene.

Damascus International Tournament winner Yahia Taha is the current National Champion at the light heavyweight (81kg) who proved top performance against Homs' Omran Al-Sharef in the final. Syria's top national team member Alaaldin Ghossoun, who competed all of the important international tournaments excluding the Olympic Games, was also too strong for all of his opponents at the heavyweight (91kg).

Two-time ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships bronze medallist Mohammad Moulayes eliminated his main rival Qais Mahfoud in the semi-final of the super heavyweight (+91kg). In the absence of Manaf Asaad the 25-year-old Army boxer did not give any chance to his final opponent Latakia's Wessam Hasan and celebrated his next national title.

The Tajikistan National Boxing Championships was held in Khudjand which is located in the northern part of the country and the second biggest city in Tajikistan. Their young woman talent Madina Gaforova impressed in the competition in Khudjand where experienced Navruz Jafoev and two-time Olympian Jakhon Qurbonov also won the gold medals.



## VETERAN FORMER ASIAN CHAMPION JAKHON QURBONOV WON HIS NEXT TITLE IN THE TAJIKISTAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The event was held for both genders in Khudjand, the women athletes could fight in four categories while the men boxers in ten divisions. The Tajikistan National Championships was also a preparation and selection event for the upcoming main goals as the Asian Games which will be holding in Indonesia in August.

The first gold medal was achieved by Madina Gaforova who defeated her Chinese rival in her debuting contest at the Guwahati 2017 AIBA Women's Youth World Boxing Championships which was a sensation in India last November. The 19-year-old flyweight (51kg) boxer lost to Rukhafzo Khaknazarova in the Dushanbe City

Championships a few weeks ago but she was able to do a revenge for that loss.

A relatively new woman boxer Saykhomuddin Khusnoroi eliminated Burkhon Layloi in the semi-final of the featherweight (57kg) and continued her winning path against Yosumin Abdurakhmonova in the final of the event. Khusnoroi did her very best in the event and celebrated her first national title in Tajikistan.

ASBC Asian Confederation Women's Boxing Championships bronze medallist Shoira Zulkaynarova is member of the national team since 2014 therefore her success over Farzona Mamadjonova was an expected success at the lightweight (60kg).

Nilufar Boboyorova eliminated her main rival Mizhgona Boboyeva in the semi-final which was a repeat match and she did enough against Nodira Karimova in the final of the middleweight (75kg).

Izzatullo Aliyev won the Dushanbe City Championships a few weeks ago and arrived to the Tajikistan National Championships in top form which meant the first gold medal of the men part of the event went to him. Sunatullo Yunuszoda has put himself into the spotlight in 2015 and since then his development is continuous which the 19-year-old flyweight (52kg) talent proved against Bakhodur Mirzoaliyev in the final.

Bakhtovar Sagizov competed at the Tashkent 2017 ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships and won his key final against such strong opponent as AIBA Junior World Champion Asror Vohidov at the bantamweight (56kg). The gold medal of the lightweight (60kg) was taken by Bilol Kholov who defeated the experienced favourite, Tashkent 2017 ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships competitor Odilkhon Furkatjoni.

Bakhodur Usmonov claimed silver medal in the 2013 ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships and proved top quality of boxing in the recent five years therefore he could control his final against Amirjon Nazarov in Khudjand. Shokhrukh Ogonazarov moved up to the welterweight (69kg) in the recent months and his decision paid off in Khudjand where he defeated all of his rivals by RSC including Edgorali Shorakhimov in the final.

Mirzomukhammed Bakhtiyar joined to the international competitions in 2010 and used all of his experiences to beat Aziz Fayzov in the final of the middleweight (75kg). Two giants had to meet in the final of the light heavyweight (81kg) where Amman 2013 ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships silver medallist Navruz



### LIST OF THE WINNERS IN THE TAJIKISTAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

- Women's 51 kg: Madina Gaforova
- Women's 57 kg: Saykhomuddin Khusnoroi
- Women's 60 kg: Shoira Zulkaynarova
- Women's 75 kg: Nilufar Boboyorova
  
- Men's 49 kg: Izzatullo Aliyev
- Men's 52 kg: Sunatullo Yunuszoda
- Men's 56 kg: Bakhtovar Sagizov
- Men's 60 kg: Bilol Kholov
- Men's 64 kg: Bakhodur Usmonov
- Men's 69 kg: Shokhrukh Ogonazarov
- Men's 75 kg: Mirzomukhammad Bakhtiyar
- Men's 81 kg: Navruz Jafoev
- Men's 91 kg: Jakhon Qurbonov
- Men's +91 kg: Siyovush Zukhurov

Jafoev was able to beat AIBA Junior World Boxing Championships bronze medallist Akhmadjon Saidov in the bout of the men's competition.

Jakhon Qurbonov won his Asian title in 2005 and qualified for two Olympic Games but he is still in the business with tough punches which were enough to beat Bakhodur Boboyev in the final of the heavyweight (91kg). Singapore 2010 Youth Olympian Siyovush Zukhurov is a tough super heavyweight (+91kg) boxer who demonstrated his power against a former youth national team member youngster Daler Suleymanov.

## YOUNG FUTURE HOPES WON THE TITLES IN THE JORDAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS WHERE FEMALE BOXING ALSO INVOLVED TO THE EVENT

The Jordan National Boxing Championships was held in Amman where the elite female and male boxers could attend for the 11 titles. The young future hopes of the Arabic country such as Mohammad Adnan Abu Jajeh, Mohammad Al-Matbouli and Mohammad Al-Yazouri won their weight classes in Amman where 89 boxers took part representing 16 teams.

The women boxers could fight in two weight classes, at the featherweight (57kg) and at the light heavyweight (81kg) in Amman. The men boxers attended in nine categories from the flyweight (52kg) up to the super heavyweight (+91kg). Jordan has qualified two boxers for the Rio 2016 Olympic Games which was record in their boxing history and the Western Asian country is planning to get even more success in the upcoming years.

Jordan introduced their women boxing team at the very first time in 2010 and after a long break their female talents took part in the AIBA Asian & Oceanian Olympic Qualifier two years ago. Their Aalia Sameer became the first champion in the women' part of the National Championships following her KO success over Danya Al-Natsheh at the featherweight (57kg). The second gold in the women's event was achieved by Hala Alanati at the light heavyweight (81kg) in Amman.

Abdallah Daraghmeh competed in the AIBA Asian & Olympic Qualification Event two years ago and attended in a few other international competitions. The 22-year-old flyweight (52kg) talent spent only a short time in the ring against Malek Abdallah in the final when his opponent's ringside abandoned their fight.

Adel Darweish Al-Matbouli joined to the national team as a teenage talent in 2012 and took part in the Amman 2013 ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships. The 24-year-old boxer is now competing



### LIST OF THE WINNERS IN THE JORDAN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Women's 57 kg: Aalia Sameer

Women's 81 kg: Hala Alanati

Men's 52 kg: Abdallah Daraghmeh

Men's 56 kg: Adel Darweish Al-Matbouli

Men's 60 kg: Mohammad Adnan Abu Jajeh

Men's 64 kg: Mohammad Al-Matbouli

Men's 69 kg: Ahmad Al-Aydi

Men's 75 kg: Thaher Al-Nobani

Men's 81 kg: Mohammad Al-Yazouri

Men's 91 kg: Odai Riad Al-Hindawi

Men's +91 kg: Odai Al-Zaghaleel

at the bantamweight (56kg) who defended his national title after beating Yazed Abu Ghneim in the final.

Mohammad Adnan Abu Jajeh also involved to the national elite team as an 18-year-old talent two years ago. He competed in the 2016 AIBA Asian & Oceanian Olympic Qualification Event at the flyweight (52kg). Since then he moved up to the lightweight (60kg) and impressed in the final against Ahmad Al-Jebawi.

Another international level boxer Mohammad Al-Matbouli is also a young hope in Jordan who competed at the light welterweight (64kg) in Amman and controlled his final against Abdelrahman Fayad. Ahmad Al-Aydi was a newcomer in the national stage in 2017 but he was able to beat former National Champion veteran Rami Al-Khawaldeh in the final of the welterweight (69kg).

A 22-year-old middleweight (75kg) talent Thaher Al-Nobani claimed gold medal in the 2014 Jordan Youth National Championships which he changed into another title but this time among the elite athletes. Mohammad Al-Yazouri joined to the elite national team in 2015 at the age of 19 and attended in several international events and training camps which paid off in his light heavyweight (81kg) final against a strong opponent, Jihad Mohammed Abu Alkher.

Odai Riad Al-Hindawi claimed silver medal in the Incheon 2014 Asian Games at the middleweight (75kg) but since then he moved up to the heavyweight (91kg) and defeated National Champion Mohammed Al-Nadi in the final. The last gold medal of the Jordan National Championships was taken by Odai Al-Zaghaleel who was quicker in the final than Mohammad Al-Khateeb.



## ASBC ASIAN WOMEN'S CHAMPION LIN YU TING WINS IN THE CHINESE TAIPEI NATIONAL UNIVERSITY BOXING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Chinese Taipei National University Boxing Championships was held for the elite women and men boxers in the city of Taoyuan where 18 winners were celebrated their titles. Defending ASBC Asian Women's Champion and their Rio 2016 Olympians as Chen Nien Chin and Lai Chu En won their weight classes in the event.

Chinese Taipei performed sensationally in the Ho Chi Minh City 2017 ASBC Asian Confederation Women's Boxing Championships and their women's boxing life turned into a new era when their National Federation hosted the AIBA Women's Youth & Junior World Boxing Championships in Taipei three years ago.

In the absence of AIBA Women's World Boxing Championships quarter-finalist Pin Meng Chieh a new hope Wu Shu Fen was crowned at the women's light flyweight (48kg). Wu, who was silver medallist in the 2017 Chinese Taipei National President's Cup, moved down one category and defeated Lin Pei Fang in the final which was her first big national title. The gold medal of the flyweight (51kg) was captured by another silver medallist from the last national

events, Lai Pin Hua. AIBA Women's Youth World Champion Lin Yu Ting impressed in the recent five years but she reached her career highlight at the Ho Chi Minh City 2017 ASBC Asian Confederation Women's Boxing Championships with her gold medal. Lin attended at the bantamweight (54kg) in the national event and dominated her final against Cheng Hsu Fu.

Huang Hsiao Wen was silver medallist in the Taipei 2015 AIBA Women's Youth World Boxing Championships and took bronze at the Ho Chi Minh City 2017 ASBC Asian Confederation Women's Boxing Championships. The 21-year-old talent was too quick for Shih Yi Chu in the final of the featherweight (57kg) and Huang's long distance tactic paid off in Taoyuan as well. National Games silver medallist Lin Su



### LIST OF THE WINNERS IN THE CHINESE TAIPEI NATIONAL UNIVERSITY BOXING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Women's 48 kg: Wu Shu Fen

Women's 51 kg: Lai Pin Hua

Women's 54 kg: Lin Yu Ting

Women's 57 kg: Huang Hsiao Wen

Women's 60 kg: Lin Su Ting

Women's 64 kg: Wu Shih Yi

Women's 69 kg: Lin Li Wei Hsien

Women's 75 kg: Chen Nien Chin

Men's 49 kg: Tu Po Wei

Men's 52 kg: Hsu Cheng Yu

Men's 56 kg: Chen Po Yi

Men's 60 kg: Lai Chu En

Men's 64 kg: Huang Chao Cheng

Men's 69 kg: Pan Hung Ming

Men's 75 kg: Kan Chia Wei

Men's 81 kg: Chang Chih Chun

Men's 91 kg: Ho Shao Hui

Men's +91 kg: Lo Chien Hsuan

Ting claimed the next gold medal in the Chinese Taipei National University Boxing Championships where she was able to find the weak points of her opponent, Ko Pei Chi in the final of the lightweight (60kg). Wu Shih Yi developed technically well in the recent two years and she had a big battle against China's star Yang Wenlu in the Ho Chi Minh City 2017 ASBC Asian Confederation Women's Boxing Championships which she lost but those experiences paid off in the final of the Taoyuan event against Liu Chia Chun.

Lin Li Wei Hsien attended in the Ho Chi Minh City 2017 ASBC Asian Confederation Women's Boxing Championships and her technique was enough to beat a dangerous rival AIBA Women's Youth World Boxing Championships quarter-finalist Wu Pei Yi at the welterweight (69kg). The last gold medal in the female part of the national event was won by AIBA Women's World Boxing Championships bronze medallist and Rio 2016 Olympian Chen Nien Chin at the middleweight (75kg).

FISU University World Boxing Championships silver medallist Tu Po Wei is Chinese Taipei's promising man boxer who dominated his light flyweight (49kg) final against Liao Yi Cheng in Taoyuan. Hsu Cheng Yu was quarter-finalist in the St. Petersburg 2016 AIBA Youth World Boxing Championships and the 19-year-old talent claimed the gold medal at the flyweight (52kg) after beating Lin Yi Min in the final.

ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships competitor Chen Po Yi impressed in the final of the bantamweight (56kg) where he was able to beat an international level boxer Kao Shih Yen with his strong combinations. Lai Chu En was Chinese Taipei's first Olympian boxer in Rio de Janeiro after the 1996 Atlanta edition therefore Tsai Sung Lin was not a competitive rival for him in the final of the lightweight (60kg).

ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships competitor Huang Chao Cheng won the title of the light welterweight (64kg) in Taoyuan. Pan Hung Ming involved to the national elite team in 2016 and his tough punches were enough to beat Liang Yu Wei in his new category at the welterweight (69kg). Chinese Taipei's 20-year-old strong international boxer Kan Chia Wei dominated the middleweight (75kg) in the national event.



## SEIDAKMATOV, OROSKULOV AND USUPOV WERE THE STRONGEST BOXERS IN THE KYRGYZSTAN HIGH SCHOOL NATIONAL SPARTAKYAD

The Kyrgyzstan High School National Spartakyad was held in their capital city in Bishkek where 77 boxers attended for the titles. Among their most experienced youth boxers Sanzhar Seidakmatov, Aidar Oroskulov, Adilet Egemberdi Uulu and Akhmed Usupov won their next national titles in Bishkek.

Kyrgyzstan took part in the ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships in Bangkok where their talented boxers claimed one bronze medal in the important event. Bishkek topped the team rankings of the Kyrgyzstan High School National Spartakyad, Chui region and Dzhalal-Abad region became the second and third in the overall list. Altogether 20 out of the 39

medallists were born in 2001 and they can box in the youth level for Kyrgyzstan also in 2019.

Bishkek's Kenes Omarov Youth Memorial Tournament bronze medallist Samat Karypov involved to the national team this year therefore his victory over Erbol Osmonov in the final of the light flyweight (49kg) was not a surprise in the event. Dzhalal-Abad



### LIST OF THE WINNERS IN THE KYRGYZ HIGH SCHOOL NATIONAL SPARTAKYAD

49 kg: Samat Karypov, 2000

52 kg: Altynbek Myktybek Uulu, 2001

56 kg: Sanzhar Seidakmatov, 2000

60 kg: Aidar Oroskulov, 2001

64 kg: Adilet Egemberdi Uulu, 2000

69 kg: Sabyrbek Talantbek Uulu, 2000

75 kg: Kerimbay Erkinov, 2001

81 kg: Islam Abdykadyr Uulu, 2001

91 kg: Islam Bektenov, 2000

+91 kg: Akhmed Usupov, 2001

region's Altynbek Myktybek Uulu claimed the second title of the event following his success over a more experienced rival, Chui region's Azat Niyazaliyev at the flyweight (52kg).

Bishkek's Children of Asia Games bronze medallist Sanzhar Seidakmatov was unlucky in the drawings in the last two editions of the ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships but he impressed in the national event. The 18-year-old bantamweight (56kg) boxer defeated Talas region's Doolot Osmonaliyev in the final while Youth National Champion Muso Teshebayev claimed only bronze medal.

Chui region's Aidar Oroskulov not only attended in the Puerto Princesa 2017 ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships but claimed bronze medal there therefore his skills were enough to

beat Sarvar Yuldashev in the final of the lightweight (60kg). The 17-year-old talent defeated all of his four opponents with confident boxing.

The next title was taken by Issyk-Kul region's Youth National Champion Adilet Egemberdi Uulu who claimed bronze medal in the Tashkent 2015 ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships. The 18-year-old light welterweight (64kg) boxer was too strong in the final for Chui region's Cholponbek Mamazakirov and secured his next national title.

Osh region's Youth National Championships bronze medallist and Issyk-Kul Junior Cup winner Sabyrbek Talantbek Uulu had hard job in the final of the welterweight (69kg) against Issyk-Kul region's Aidar Azamat Uulu. The final verdict was split decision in the favour of Talantbek Uulu who won his first big national title.

Bishkek's 17-year-old Kerimbay Erkinov attended in the Puerto Princesa 2017 ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships and his stamina was enough to beat Dzhalal-Abad region's Argen Kultayev in the final of the middleweight (75kg). Dzhalal-Abad region's Youth National Championships silver medallist Islam Abdykadyr Uulu spent less than nine minutes in the ring against Osh region's Nodirbek Abdulkasimov when the ringside doctor finished their contest.

Naryn region's defending Youth National Champion Islam Bektenov proved he is the No.1 at the youth heavyweight (91kg) in Kyrgyzstan and triumphed over Talas region's Adilet Sarygulov in the final. Bishkek's ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships bronze medallist Akhmed Usupov is too strong for his opponents in Kyrgyzstan and spent only two minutes in the ring when he stopped Issyk-Kul region's Dastan Tilekov.

## TOGETHER WE ARE POWER

The Malaysian National Cup was held in a small town in Lawin which is located in the Perak region of the country. Among the most experienced international level boxers Arfiqanie Bin Ahmad Anshori and Khir Akyazlan Bin Azmi both performed well in the National Cup and won their well-deserved titles in Lawin.

Record number of 108 elite male boxers competed for the medals in the Malaysian National Cup which shows strong development in the Southeast Asian country. Malaysia have had a successful Southeast Asian Games last August and their National Federation recognized more interest from the public to our sport. Malaysia's best boxer their Southeast Asian Games winner Muhammad Fuad Bin Mohamed Redzuan had to miss the Malaysian National Cup among their top boxers.

Kenny Dalglish Ak Pangas was not the top favourite of the light flyweight (49kg) but his performance was more than enough to beat all of his rivals. He began his campaign with a classical KO success and continued his winning steps until the finals where he outpointed Zulkifli Bin Yusuf for the title.

Tuan Zaharonnizan Bin Tuan Daud had to show his best ever performance to beat all of his rivals at the flyweight (52kg) but he has done a successful mission in Lawin. Zaharonnizan defeated two youngsters in the final stages as Penang International Tournament winner Muhamad Azlizam Bin Abu Talib and Youth National Champion Amirul Hakim Bin Sakala.

Jemis Wong Lee Onn was one of the favourites at the bantamweight (56kg) who did his very best in Lawin when he met with an international level boxer Zulkhalaine Mohamed Noor in the final. The



## ARFIQANIE BIN AHMAD ANSHORI AND KHIR AKYAZLAN BIN AZMI USED THEIR INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCES TO WIN THE MALAYSIAN NATIONAL CUP

bantamweight (56kg) was one of the most popular categories in the Malaysian National Cup and 16 boxers fought for the title.

Arfiqanie Bin Ahmad Anshori has competed already in the Singapore 2015 Southeast Asian Games and his international experiences paid off in the Malaysian National Cup where he did enough to beat Penang International Tournament winner Mohamad Akram Rasit in the final of the lightweight (60kg). Eddy Kalai is also a well-known boxer in Malaysia's boxing life but this time he claimed only bronze.

Muhamad Firdaus Bin Kamarulzaman is an experienced boxer in Malaysia who competed successfully at the light welterweight (64kg) in Lawin and used the best tactic against his final opponent, Wan Hafizuddin Bin Wan Hasan. The gold medal of the welterweight (69kg) has gone to Mohamed Azizie Bin Abd Wahab who controlled his final against Mohamed Hazwan Khamis.

ASBC Asian Confederation Boxing Championships quarter-finalist Khir Akyazlan Bin Azmi moved up to the middleweight



### LIST OF THE WINNERS IN THE MALAYSIAN NATIONAL CUP

49 kg: Kenny Dalglish Ak Pangas

52 kg: Tuan Zaharonnizan Bin Tuan Daud

56 kg: Jemis Wong Lee Onn

60 kg: Arfiqanie Bin Ahmad Anshori

64 kg: Muhamad Firdaus Bin Kamarulzaman

69 kg: Mohamed Azizie Bin Abd Wahab

75 kg: Khir Akyazlan Bin Azmi

81 kg: Wan Mohamed Rizuan Bin Wan Aziz

91 kg: Rudy Bin Petrus

(75kg) just before the start of the Malaysian National Cup. The 26-year-old boxer, who is member of the national team since 2009, had a few difficulties but his pressurizing tactic was enough to get his next title after beating Mohamed Aswan Bin Che Azmi by split decision.

Penang International Tournament winner Wan Mohamed Rizuan Bin Wan Aziz attended several national events in the past who was not only aiming for the title of the light heavyweight (81kg) but did successful task against Mohamed Hanafi Fairuz in the final. Two-time Southeast Asian Games competitor Rudy Bin Petrus moved up to the heavyweight (91kg) who eliminated Dorairaj Palani in the semi-final and walked over to the title against Rashid Omar.



## LIST OF THE WINNERS IN THE SYRIAN WOMEN'S NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

48 kg: Shahd Rehaie

51 kg: Mariam Khalouf

54 kg: Walaa Munzir

57 kg: Malek Tamir

60 kg: Basema Moulhem

64 kg: Fatema Hadad

69 kg: Ghofran Rohabany

75 kg: Aber Bahlol

81 kg: Duaa Alhade

+81 kg: Najwa Solaiman



## BASEMA MOULHEM AND FATEMA HADAD RETURNED WITH SUCCESS IN THE HISTORICAL SYRIAN WOMEN'S NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Syrian Women's National Championships was held in Damascus which was another historical step for the Western Asian country to develop their boxing life and return to the world stage in a new level. Basema Moulhem and Fatema Hadad were successful seven years ago and after many problems in the country the duo returned to the boxing world and won their national titles in Damascus.

Syria hosted its first women national event in 2011 but the country was not able to arrange any further competition for their female talents during the Civil War. The Syrian ladies attended in the Antalya 2011 AIBA Women's Youth & Junior World Boxing Championships which was their first ever participation in the international stage. Altogether nine teams and 44 elite female

boxers took part in the Syrian Women's National Championships in Damascus. Ten champions have been crowned in Damascus which meant there were women boxers in all of the 10 weight classes in the event which is not common in the Asian continent's female boxing life.

Surprisingly the city of Hama ranked as No.1 in the team standings, capital team

Damascus and Police Boxing Club were the runner-ups in the Syrian Women's National Championships. The President of the Syrian Boxing Federation Mr. Issa Al-Nassar is planning to give them chance to represent their nation in the international competitions following their more active trainings in 2019.

The first gold medal of the competition was achieved by Aleppo's Shahd Rehaie who defeated Bain Alraja in the final of the light flyweight (48kg). Mariam Khalouf of Damascus won the first Olympic category in the Syrian Women's National Championships where she defeated former National

Champion experienced Haya Al-Saleh in the final of the flyweight (51kg) which was the bout of the entire competition.

Basema Moulhem claimed silver medal in the 2011 Syrian Women's National Championships and after many years of problems in the country she returned to the sport and celebrated her title at the Olympic lightweight (60kg). The experienced boxer controlled her final against Ahlam Ali from the first seconds and proved she could be Syria's woman hope in the international stage from 2019.

Hama's Fatema Hadad had the same career route as Basema Moulhem, she took silver medal at the 2011 Syrian Women's National Championships and came back to the ring in top shape. She was taking that result at the welterweight (69kg) seven years ago and won the light welterweight (64kg) in Damascus after beating Zena Rostam in the final.



## INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCES PAID OFF IN THE KAZAKHSTAN YOUTH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS IN AKTOBE

The Kazakhstan Youth National Boxing Championships was finished with its 11 finals and strong champions have been crowned in the event. Strong international boxers as Timur Kabdeshov, Talgat Syrymbetov, AIBA Junior World Boxing Championships bronze medallist Aibek Dossanov, ASBC Asian Junior Champion Aitzhan Ashirkhan, Azat Asanov and Arnur Akhmetzhanov won their titles in the Kazakhstan Youth National Boxing Championships.

The competition was held in Aktobe which is located in the Western Kazakhstan region. The number of the male boxers was 173 in the Kazakhstan Youth National Championships in Aktobe where the most popular weight classes were the lightweight (60kg) and light welterweight (64kg) where 24-24 athletes attended for the titles.

Eleven weight classes have been held in the Kazakhstan Youth National Championships in Aktobe where the pinweight (46kg) have been added to the other 10 official divisions. Nine different teams claimed at least one gold medal in Aktobe where the medal rankings were won by Almaty Region with their three titles. Dulat Amantayev won the Kenes Omarov Youth Memorial Tournament in February at the pinweight (46kg) and

remained in the lowest category after that national level event. The 18-year-old boxer used his rapid attacks and footwork to beat Dilmukhambet Ibragimov in the first final of the Kazakhstan Youth National Championships.

Akmola's Youth National Games winner and Emil Zhechev Youth Memorial Tournament winner Timur Kabdeshov attended in the Bangkok 2017 ASBC Asian Confederation Youth Boxing Championships as well. He has got strong experiences in the international level since 2016 and arrived to Aktobe as favourite of the light flyweight (49kg) where he demonstrated his technique in the final against Akzhigit Belgibay.

Karagandy's ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships bronze

medallist Talgat Syrymbetov had to meet in the final of the flyweight (52kg) with Children of Asia Games winner Nursultan Nuridenov but he was able to solve that tactical job in Aktobe. Bekzat Sattarkhanov Youth Memorial Tournament winner Galym Mirzatayev claimed only bronze medal in the event.

Almaty Region's AIBA Junior World Boxing Championships bronze medallist Aibek Dossanov moved up to the bantamweight (56kg) and he is trying to regain his place in the top Kazakh youth team. The 17-year-old boxer eliminated Bekzat Sattarkhanov Youth Memorial Tournament winner Aidos Yerzhanuly in the semi-final and defeated another big hope Bekzat Magzhan in the gold medal contest.

Almaty's defending ASBC Asian Junior Champion Aitzhan Ashirkhan attended in the Emil Zhechev Youth Memorial Tournament with success and did not give any chance to Nurzhan Serikbayev in the final of the lightweight (60kg). Aktobe's best youth boxer Beket Makhmutov Youth Tournament winner Ali Yesenov impressed in the final of the light welterweight (64kg) where he faced with Nurdos Tolebay.

Emil Zhechev Youth Memorial Tournament silver medallist Azat Asanov is a superb talent at the welterweight (69kg) which is traditionally one of the strongest categories in Kazakhstan. The 18-year-old boxer defeated Kyzyl-Orda's younger talent Azamat Bektas in the final of the event. Mangystau's Nuras Zhenis was born in 2001 and he is relatively newcomer in the national events but his skills were enough to beat Children of Asia Games bronze medallist Beken Pernekhan in the final of the middleweight (75kg).

Almaty Region's Kenes Omarov Youth Memorial Tournament silver medallist Shynarbek Batinuly eliminated his main rivals as Bekzat Sattarkhanov Youth Memorial Tournament winner Bekzat Tanatar in the last eight and Children of Asia Games silver



### LIST OF THE WINNERS IN THE KAZAKHSTAN YOUTH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 46 kg: Dulat Amantayev, 2000
- 49 kg: Timur Kabdeshov, 2000
- 52 kg: Talgat Syrymbetov, 2001
- 56 kg: Aibek Dossanov, 2000
- 60 kg: Aitzhan Ashirkhan, 2001
- 64 kg: Ali Yesenov, 2000
- 69 kg: Azat Asanov, 2000
- 75 kg: Nuras Zhenis, 2001
- 81 kg: Shynarbek Batinuly, 2000
- 91 kg: Arnur Akhmetzhanov, 2001
- +91 kg: Ilyas Musayev, 2000

medallist Ayat Marzhikpayev in the semi-final of the light heavyweight (81kg). He continued his winning path in the final against Kuanysh Keulimzhayev.

Dzhambul region's Arnur Akhmetzhanov was bronze medallist in the Puerto Princesa 2017 ASBC Asian Confederation Junior Boxing Championships and did strong performance against Almaty region's newcomer Galymzhan Zhanarbek in the final of the heavyweight (91kg). Arnur Akhmetzhanov will be in the youth age group still in 2019 and could be a great sensation next year.

Almaty region's Bekzat Sattarkhanov Youth Memorial Tournament winner Ilyas Musayev was No.2 in the youth ranking in Kazakhstan behind ASBC Asian Youth Champion Damir Toybay and he used the possibility to win the super heavyweight (+91kg) in Aktobe in the absence of his main national rival. The 17-year-old talent had to do his very best in the final against Kostanay's Oyaz Maulenov but he was able to take the title winning the bout by split decision.



## **SAGYN SATYBALDY UULU IS A NEW SENSATION IN THE KYRGYZ JUNIOR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS WHERE 208 BOXERS ATTENDED FOR THE MEDALS**

The Kyrgyz Junior National Boxing Championships was held in the city of Kant which is located near to their capital city. The biggest surprise of the Kyrgyz Junior National Boxing Championships has done by a newcomer, Sagyn Satybaldy Uulu who defeated titleholder Azat Marat Uulu in his final bout. Among the favourites Azat Kubatov, Baygazy Malik Uulu, Stanislav Mishin and Khalid Aliyev all won their weight classes in Kant.

The 2002-2003 born age group could compete in the Kyrgyz Junior National Championships in the city of Kant. Altogether 15 weight classes were held in the Kyrgyz Junior National Boxing Championships. Besides to the 13 official junior weights the local organizers added also the 42kg and 44kg categories. The number of the male boxers was 208 in the Kyrgyz Junior National Championships.

The first gold medal was achieved by Aidar Ydyrysov who trains in Dzhalal-Abad and defeated Osh region's Fazlidin Dzhurayev in the final of the 42kg. The second title in the Kyrgyz Junior National Championships was taken by Bishkek's Moldaliyev Junior Memorial Tournament winner Anvar Khodzhiyev who defeated Issyk-Kul's Erzhan

Avenov in the final of the 44kg. Batken's Baktybek Sadirbek Uulu was not the main favourite of the pinweight (46kg) but he was able to beat all of his four rivals in Kant. Eighteen boxers attended at the light flyweight (48kg) in the Kyrgyz Junior National Championships and the title was won by Bishkek's Ikhtiyar Nyshanov who defeated Chui region's Moldaliyev Junior Memorial Tournament winner Erlan Yesenkulov in the final.

Issyk-Kul's Nurbolot Zhyrgalbekov had a tough quarter-final against Dzhalal-Abad's Nuraly Anaraliyev but following that success he was able to beat his further rivals easier and captured the title of the flyweight (50kg) after beating Maksat Zhusupov in the final. Chui region's Aziz Sabirov had

do his best ever performance to beat Dastan Samudinov and Bishkek's Amankeldi Omurzakov in the final stages of the light bantamweight (52kg).

Bishkek's Azat Kubatov was titleholder in the Kyrgyz Junior National Championships but he moved up from the light flyweight (48kg) up to the bantamweight (54kg) in the recent one year. The 16-year-old Kubatov impressed with his tough combinations and technical skills in the whole event and following his RSC successes he triumphed over Issyk-Kul's Samat Zhenishbekov by unanimous decision defending his throne.

Kant hosted the Kyrgyz Junior National Championships and their top boxer Toychubek Ilyazov started his campaign at the featherweight (57kg) with a RSC success. That superb victory increased his confidence and took out the way his main rivals as Bakhtiyar Akhunbayev and Dzhalal-Abad's Askat Kultayev capturing a gold for the host city.

Moldaliyev Junior Memorial Tournament winner Sagyn Satybaldy Uulu delivered one of the biggest sensations of the Kyrgyz Junior National Championships in Kant. He defeated titleholder and Moldaliyev Junior Memorial Tournament winner strong Azat Marat Uulu in the final of the lightweight (60kg) and has got the right to box for Kyrgyzstan in the international stages.

Bakyt Toktosun Uulu was silver medallist in the Moldaliyev Junior Memorial Tournament and attended also in the last edition of the Kyrgyz Junior National Championships but his gold medal from Kant is his career highlight. Osh-based Islam Turgunov claimed silver medal in the 2017 Kyrgyz Junior National Championships and moved up to the welterweight (66kg) where he dominated all of his fights including the final against Mukhamed Bagiyev.

Osh region's Moldaliyev Junior Memorial Tournament winner Baygazy Malik Uulu



### **LIST OF THE WINNERS IN THE KYRGYZ JUNIOR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

- 42 kg: Aidar Ydyrysov
- 44 kg: Anvar Khodzhiyev
- 46 kg: Baktybek Sadirbek Uulu
- 48 kg: Ikhtiyar Nyshanov
- 50 kg: Nurbolot Zhyrgalbekov
- 52 kg: Aziz Sabirov
- 54 kg: Azat Kubatov
- 57 kg: Toychubek Ilyazov
- 60 kg: Sagyn Satybaldy Uulu
- 63 kg: Bakyt Toktosun Uulu
- 66 kg: Islam Turgunov
- 70 kg: Baygazy Malik Uulu
- 75 kg: Stanislav Mishin
- 80 kg: Khalid Aliyev
- +80 kg: Adil Usenov

defeated strong Uzbek boxers also during his career therefore his success over Alimukhamed Khiyazov was not a surprise in the final of the light middleweight (70kg). Bishkek's Stanislav Mishin claimed silver medal in the 2017 Kyrgyz Junior National Championships which he changed into gold this time after beating Osh-based Nurmukhamed Batyrov.

Chui region's Moldaliyev Junior Memorial Tournament winner Khalid Aliyev continued his winning path in the national events and stopped all of his rivals at the light heavyweight (+80kg) including Kant's Aleksandr Dresvyannikov in the final. Bishkek's Adil Usenov had to meet in the final of the heavyweight (+80kg) with his main rival Nikita Korobkin but he was able to manage that tactical fight and achieved the gold medal.



## UPCOMING EVENTS IN JUNE 2018

**MAY 25 - JUNE 5, 2018**

Cambodian National Games, Phnom  
Penh, Cambodia

**JUNE 1-15, 2018**

Bochonbo Prize Tournament, Hamhung,  
DPR Korea

**JUNE 4-10, 2018**

Mongolian Children National  
Championships, Bulgan, Mongolia

**JUNE 4-11, 2018**

Republic of Kazakhstan President's Cup,  
Astana, Kazakhstan

**JUNE 9, 2018**

Japanese Kanto University Boxing  
League 3rd Round, Japan

**JUNE 15-19, 2018**

T.B. Jayah School Boxing Tournament,  
Colombo, Sri Lanka

**JUNE 19-24, 2018**

Ulaanbaatar Box Cup, Ulaanbaatar,  
Mongolia

**JUNE 22 - JULY 1, 2018**

Mediterranean Games, Tarragona, Spain

**JUNE 23, 2018**

Japanese Kanto University Boxing  
League 4th Round, Japan

**JUNE 28 - JULY 7, 2018**

Thailand Open Boxing Tournament,  
Bangkok, Thailand

**JUNE 30 - JULY 6, 2018**

Askar Kulibayev Prizes Tournament,  
Atyrau, Kazakhstan

**JUNE 2018**

World Series Boxing Season VIII Play-off  
Finals

**JUNE 2018**

Jordan Youth & Junior National  
Championships, Amman, Jordan

**JUNE 2018**

Sabatarov & Abdymomunov Junior  
Tournament, Karakol, Kyrgyzstan

**JUNE 2018**

Olympic Day Boxing Tournament,  
Nay Pyi Tay, Myanmar