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Life

Boxing Lessons



The Eye of the Tiger

Greek Olympic Delegation 91-kg category boxer Spyros Kladouchas climbs down from the ring for a bit and agrees to walk with us to the Olympic Village International Zone. By the time we end up at the Agora Cafe we have already started taking our first boxing lessons, starting with the basic punches - jab, uppercut, and cross. Spyros came to boxing rather late, in 1995, but quickly showed that his career in the Boxing Family would be a long and successful one. Long before taking up the sport, he got his first pair of boxing gloves from his uncle, who may well have noticed that he had 'the eye of the tiger'.

Today, after three years' training in Cuba in the place he calls 'the Cuban Olympic Village', here he is in our Village along with the other lads of the Greek boxing team, all sworn to do their utmost. He does not see the fact that this, his first appearance in a sport event of this magnitude, coincides with the return of the Olympic Games to their birthplace, as some kind of good omen. For the Greek boxer, the cocktail of success has only one recipe: "proper training and good psychology." As he tells us himself: "Every

athlete has to find a difference in things that look the same. Personally, I think I have become aware of this difference and I try on every occasion to to it."

For Spyros Kladouchas the bar was set high long ago, though there were times when his trainer might easily have thrown in the towel. "It's stupid to try and get over an obstacle if you're not ready for it. Often you have to go back in order to surge forwards later on to your peak". His first bout is on the 18th of the month. But before that, as he confides in us, there will be "A walk in the Village for a few minutes, to get my concentration, and a phone call to my mother so she can take the hex off me". But his 'good luck' will have something Cuban about it, as before he came to Greece for the Olympic Games his trainer Mariano Gonzales gave him a miniature boxing glove and a shell. We all need a good luck charm!

Spyros associates the word 'red' with passion, the word 'Pegasus' with handsome appearances, and the word 'summit' with the objective. When he leaves the Olympic Village he will take with him the happiest memories, and a photo with the whole Greek boxing team at the Filoxenia restaurant. "After a tough dieting programme, most probably, when the Games are over, we shall be there most of our time!", he says. That apart, we hope he will leave with a medal on his chest.

Nadia Dimitriou



Life

The Olympic Village Welcomes the Delegation of Ghana

The Mayor of the Village, Mr Ioannis Manos greeted the entire delegation of Ghana along with some esteemed national guests living in Greece. It was a show spectacle that captured the hearts of all. The national anthem and the hoisting of Ghana's flag ran hopes of glory for the coming days. Dignitary and distinguished guest was Honorable Minister Kwadwo Baah-Wirendu, Minister of Education, Youth and Sports. An accountant by trade, he feels the responsibility of ensuring that the last figure is under control.



The Mayor of the Village, Mr Ioannis Manos greeted the delegation of Ghana

"We have pinned it down to the very specifics. Ghana will create worth through enhancing its international sports image. That is why we are eager to host the Africa Nations Cup in 2008 and the West Africa Games in 2005."

Minister Wirendu continued to explain that their 50 year plan would lead them to other competitions that need to be held in Ghana, like the All Africa Games of 2015, the Commonwealth Games in 2022, even the Olympic Games in 2032 and of course the World Cup in 2052. With such ambitious and well thought out plans into the future, it was clear that we were facing a capable visionary, one who saw the good of his country passing

over through generations the blessings of sport as opposed to short term interests.

Having come to Greece for the first time, his impressions were ones of congenial praise describing "a clean, well organized and modern city ready to succeed. There are many secrets to Greece and we will hopefully have some time to visit other places beyond Athens. For the time being, we look forward to ensuring that our athletes are taken care of and that the competitions are a success."

When asked about the athletes' expectations, the Minister confirmed that they had arrived and would spend time with the Minister later on in the day. Ghana's Chef de Mission, Albert Edem Agbora, was close at hand and we expect to see more of him in the Olympic Village once the life picks up with more cultural flair.



The Honorable Minister Kwadwo Baah - Wirendu of Education, Youth and Sports



Life

Among the athletes that we are expecting in Greece are Ghana's football team, the Black Meteors with their Portuguese coach. The congratulations for Greece's Euro2004 victory were quickly captured by the exaltations of a possible victory (1:2 for Ghana) over the recent Champions and Olympic Games hosts. However, since the comment was supported with the caveat that the two teams would meet in the Finals, we thanked him for his support and agreed that the best team should win!



The Olympic Village Welcomes the Delegation of Ghana

It was a pleasure to see the enthusiasm amongst these gentlemen, here to represent their country and ensure the best results not only in the sporting event but also to bolster their chances of hosting more international sporting events on their home turf. All the best in both!

Symeon Tsalicoglou



Life

Bon Dia from Aruba

The Pulse met with Giovanni Arendsz, Chef de Mission for Aruba, who gave us a virtual tour of the paradise that is his country. What particularly struck us is that despite the distance separating the two lands, Greece and Aruba have many common traditions.



These smiles are our gold medal!

Each year from November to February they celebrate the local carnival in Aruba, called Bacchanal. As Junie Faro, a weightlifter, says: "We often forget to celebrate Christmas. We spend \$30,000 on carnival costumes and have no money left for presents." The carnival

includes a beauty contest, a song contest and the famous Calypso dance contest. Aruba is a small Caribbean island belonging geographically to the Dutch Antilles, just twenty miles offshore of Venezuela. It only gained its independence from the Netherlands in 1995, but has continued being an enchanting tourist resort. It's summer all year round there, and they certainly know what celebration and entertainment are!

It is particularly interesting that Bacchanal comes from the ancient Greek word, Bacchanalia. The Bacchanalia were a celebration to honour Bacchus, a mythical acolyte of Dionysus, god of wine and merry-making. The ancient Greeks used to celebrate in a natural setting, dressed as Bacchi and Satyrs. Later on these celebrations became a source of inspiration for the prominent Greek tragedians Sophocles and Euripides. This kind of tradition reflects the awe of human beings at the succession of the seasons and especially the exhilarating coming of spring. That's the reason why they reach a climax in the last month of winter. In both

countries the great carnival tradition continues adapted to new conditions.

The delegation from Aruba did not come to Greece just to compete, then, but to celebrate too. Back home they are already celebrating. As Giovanni Arendsz says: "Huge screens have been put up at the main harbour, the Oranjestad, and everyone is looking forward to the Opening Ceremony. We are proud that four billion people will see the delegation of our small country parading." He claims to be particularly enthusiastic about Athens night-life. "You certainly know how to celebrate in Greece. We went out one night to Plaka and Thissio and we liked it a lot - tables on the pavement and people singing! We will be going there every night." If you are wondering why they are in festive mood before the Games even start, Giovanni Arendsz explains: "The fact that we are here is already a gold medal!"

Efthymia Divi



Life

'Calypso Cheer' in the Olympic Village

The Chef de Mission, Brian Lewis said, "Life is what you make of it" and the citizens of Trinidad & Tobago live this maxim to the fullest. This twin island republic is the southern most Caribbean island with a population of 1.3 million people. "They can probably fit in Athens itself" joked the CdM. One would be tempted to think of this as just another island with palm trees, tropical beaches, sand and surf. This is all that and more: It is an industrialised island with oil and natural gas offering a source of livelihood to many.

The residents of these islands are primarily from an African and Indian descent and have some mix of Portuguese, French and Chinese as well. The West African genes could best explain their incredible fascination with and excellence in high-speed events in track and field.

They have 65 registered sports with the ministry of sports and leagues for the most popular sports like football, cricket and track and field. Brian Lara (cricket), Ato Boldon, Darrel Brown, George Borrell (track and field) are household names in Trinidad & Tobago and World Champions in their own right. Since a few top athletes are resting off injuries, the 26-athlete contingent competing in track and field, Taekwondo, Swimming and Shooting is cautiously optimistic. "If all our athletes are fit, physically mentally and psychologically, and perform to the best of their abilities, then we would certainly have interesting times."

A discussion on Trinidad & Tobago is incomplete without their unique brand of music, the Soca and the Calypso. "It is a joyous, rhythmic music. It is difficult to explain. You have to experience it to really know what it is." Well they may just have a historical bond with Greece. Though the word 'Calypso' has been derived from the word 'cayso', Mr. Lewis does not rule out the relation to the Greek queen and magician Kalypso.

He mentions his experience in Greece as being 'tremendous' and he feels the Greeks have been perfect hosts. "I'd like to give the credit to the volunteers and staff who are doing their best for us at all times. What more can you ask for?" He adds, "Greek history has given the world democracy and bunch of beautiful things. The Greeks should be proud of themselves for taking up this enormous responsibility and doing so well. From the rest of the Olympic Family we wish Greece good luck for the games."

From all of us here, we too wish the Calypso beats to resonate all over Greece and Trinidad & Tobago to head home with a 'drum-full' of medals.



Brian Lewis, Chef de Mission

Neelay Bhatt



Life

Waiting for the Flame at the Olympic Village

Having journeyed across five continents, the Olympic Flame will arrive at the Olympic Village tomorrow, just before the end of its itinerary. It will end up at the Olympic Stadium on 13 August, for the Lighting Ceremony of the Olympic Altar, in the course of the Opening Ceremony of the 2004 Olympic Games.

The long journey of the Flame started at noon of 25 March 2004 after the traditional Lighting Ceremony at Olympia, and this marked the countdown to the Olympics. It was a historic first for the Flame to travel all over the globe, on the five continents symbolised by the five Olympic Rings on the official flag of the Games.

From Olympia across the Peloponnese, the Flame reached the Panathinaiko Stadium on 31 March. Its journey in Peloponnese included classical Elis, Tripoli, Pylos, Megalopoli, Mystras, Gytheio, Sparta, Kalamata, Methoni, and Argos. On 2 June the flame left its native land for its voyage across the globe in the twin aircraft 'Zeus' and 'Hera'.

On 4 June the Flame reached Sydney, its first stopover on the global journey, where it was greeted with cheers by Greek immigrants and other Australians. A Greek choir welcomed the flame by singing Mikis Theodorakis' cantata 'Sun of righteousness' and the Olympic Hymn.

Immediately after leaving Australia, the Olympic Flame made for Tokyo, which it reached on 6 June, the third day of the Torch Relay. It was at Seoul on 7 June, and Torchbearers took it along the Great Wall of China on 8 June. Within a mere four days the ATHENS 2004 Torchbearers had run along the winding course of the Great Wall and on the sands of the Egyptian desert. The Flame then went to Cairo and Cape Town. The Flame next visited China on 9 June, and New Delhi on the following day.



From Athens, Greece, the Flame went on to New York, and in particular the Athens Park in Queens, at the heart of Astoria, the Greek neighbourhood, on 20 June.

On 21 June the Flame left Montreal, Canada to continue its journey in Europe. On 23 June it returned to Amsterdam, where - during the opening ceremony of the 1928 Games - the Olympic Altar had first been lit in the history of the modern Olympic Games.

On 29 June it arrived in Rome, the Eternal City. After the national anthems of the two countries were played, the Flame was borne to the Stadio Olimpico of Rome, site of the 1960 Games. The Flame went past the Colliseum, the Fontana di Trevi, the Piazza di Spagna, and the Vatican.

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Life

On 2 July it arrived in Stockholm, Sweden, from where it was carried on to Finland and Russia. It travelled from Kiev on 5 July to Istanbul, and from there to Sofia and Cyprus. In Istanbul it went through the Byzantine Hippodrome and the Dolmabahce Palace.

On 27 July its voyage continued in Albania and FYROM.

On 30 July, by now on Greek soil, the Flame found itself in Meteora, and on 5 August set sail for the Ionian islands.

As Mrs Gianna Angelopoulos-Daskalaki had said at the original Lighting Ceremony, "With the Flame we convey the message of Greece throughout the Globe." This was a message greeted and accepted in all five continents, as the Welcome Ceremonies showed that the Olympic Spirit is

broadening its appeal and finding new support all the time. Even from this truncated description of its journey, it is apparent that, besides an outreach that spans five continents, the wealth of the Olympic Flame is the people it has touched and moved.

Anastasia Kostopoulou



People

Question of the Day

Which athlete would you like to meet in the Olympic Village?



Robert G. White
UNHCR Representative
USA

"One person I admire is Allen Iverson who's on the USA Basketball team. I'm a Basketball fan, having played at High school in Philadelphia, that's where Alan is from, too. I'm also running everyday and will run in the Olympic Torch Relay for the UNHCR."



Sergey Bubka
Olympic Pole-vault champion
Ukraine

"Basically I'm helping a lot of young athletes. I have an athletics club in Ukraine with about 300 children.

Two years ago we had some success, one of our boys made Junior World Champion. Of course in the future I would like someone to beat my World Record and it would be great if it is someone from my club!"



Melanie Calderon
Administrative staff
Argentina

"My dream is to meet the U.S.A. dream team"



Christina Golvez
Administrative staff
Argentina

"I want to meet Ian Thorp"



People



Hugo Recinos
Administrative staff
Argentina

"I would like to meet Marion Jones"



Jose Gregorio Garmona Valero
Venezuela
Wheighthlifting Coach

"I wish to meet Ana Guevara. She's a champion in 800m."



Chris Dednam,
Volleyball
South Africa

"Morris Green. I would like to shake the hand of such a fast man"



Martin Lapos
Sailing
Slovakia

"Here is the only chance to get to know the whole Slovakian national Olympics' delegation"



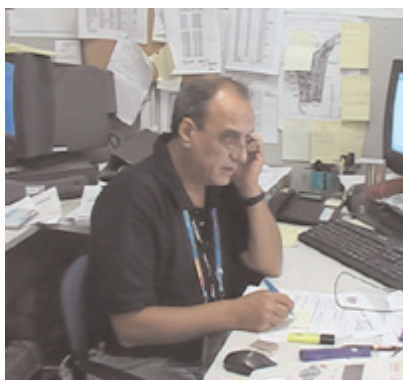
Alan Adler
Sailing
Brazil

"Gustavo Kuerten, because he is Tennis champion"



People

Employee of the Day An Invisible Hero



Nikolaos Zacharias
Storage Room
Greece

Sitting in front of a computer, or lying comfortably in your bed, you may have never thought of the person who made this all happen. We found him and we present him to you! Mr. Nikos Zacharias is responsible for a key sector, the Storeroom, and rightfully deserves the title of employee of the day.

As he says himself, he receives his reward every day: "The fact that nothing has been lost and there are no complaints is the only reward we need to keep doing what we do".

Not only is Mr Zacharias the heart and soul of the Storeroom, he is its brain; he went beyond his responsibilities and created a software for registering incoming and outgoing Village materials. He has many years of experience in transport (in which he has been working since 1979), but the Olympic Games are for him a professional challenge.

His behaviour towards the working staff is irreproachable, something that can be best confirmed by his daughter, who also works with him. "I can't choose between him in his role as father or as supervisor, since he is equally good in both, and also firm whenever necessary".

Mr. Zacharias' secret love is building theatre sets. And if you think this has nothing to do with his responsibilities in the Olympic Village, think again. He has always been behind the "scenes", for the past fourteen years, and as such he remains so in the Olympic Village, an invisible but undeniable hero.

Iasonas Kantas



People

Volunteer of the Day



Kyriaki Papadopoulou
OL VIL&Acc Ops
Greece

Thessaloniki's 23-year-old Kyriaki Papadopoulou has just today arrived at the Olympic Village. Even though Thessaloniki is an Olympic City, Kyriaki's education and the five languages in which she is fluent (English, Japanese, Russian, Serbo-Croat, and German) gave her the motivation to volunteer for a position at the Olympic Village.

She told us that at first contact with the people living and working in the Athens Olympic Village, she was impressed by everyone's smile and the wonderful colours that decorate the Village! Kyriaki did some previous volunteer work in Thessaloniki, in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs economic and commercial section for Northern Greece. She told us that she is very happy to be participating in the biggest event that Greece has ever undertaken! She is enthusiastic about her interaction with different people from all over the

world and she believes that she will make valuable new friends from among us.

After the Games, Kyriaki will travel to Japan to go on for her postgraduate studies in Japanese language and civilisation.

We welcome Kyriaki and wish her a wonderful time in the warm international embrace of the Athens Olympic Village.

Xanthippi Voutsala



Features

Letter to the editor

Here is my Garden!

I say, this Village has really become my garden. Everything here is beautifully signed - you can't possibly get lost ! I have just found a map, how beautiful and large this place is.

This Village is a proper mosaic. It is very easy to get your bearings in the Residential Zone. Huge flags in six bright colours line the streets letting you know which zone you're in. These six zones have the names of constellations which, starting on August 13th, will shed their light on the stars of sport.



Is this a map of San Salvador, or what?

I have also seen two buildings, twins as identical as the Brothers Karamazov, which house hundreds of computers. Their fronts have these large dolls that this civilisation has named "Phevos" and "Athina". Quite honestly, I am trying to see the connection. It's perhaps a link to their past. But they are certainly happy and show some celebration is being prepared. I will find out more soon.

West of the Village there's a square reserved for the transport of these muscular people, it's really weird. It's a bit like a large airport! A central grass path divides the Village into two. You cannot imagine what bliss it is for me to saunter along the Green Zone. How fresh, how nice !!

Mylo the Mouse

Quote of the Day

" I can only tell you one thing about how much I love Greece: I spent my honeymoon here"

Donald St. Aubyn Anderson
Chef de Mission
Jamaica



Features

Word of the Day

Εμπειρία - "Empiria" - Experience

Athletes thirst for victory, and Volunteers strive to contribute, but both desperately want experience. When they leave they will have something in common: the experience of the 2004 Olympic Games, which definitely deserves a place among one's cherished memories.

Country Links



Bermudas and Iliads

How would you like to be a student at the University of Athens...on a tropical Island? Impossible, you say? Well, pack your Bermudas and Iliads because there in the South Pacific, on the exotic Island of Tonga stands a department of the "Panepistimio Athinon" Founded in the capital Nuku'aLofa by professor I.F. Helu, author of numerous books about Greece including "Heraclitus, the Efessian", the University has been accredited by the King of Tonga. So brush up your Plato whilst enjoying the philhellenic climate of Tonga.

Mark Riley



One Big Happy Family

It's widely known that Russians and Jewish people reside in **Uzbekistan**, but what about Greeks? Currently a considerable number of Greeks have made the country their home. The first appearance of a Greek community began when Alexander the Great founded numerous cities within and outside the present-day area during the 3rd century B.C. Centuries passed without any Greek activity within the country, and then in the early twentieth century they began migrating to the land once again. Today the Greek community consists of approximately 9,500 people who celebrate all Greek religious holidays and upkeep archives to assist their forefathers in knowing where their heritage lies.

John Grant



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An Unexpected Touch of Spice

The Uluguru Mountains form a picturesque backdrop to the lively town of Morogoro, 150 km west of **Tanzania's** capital Dar Es Salaam. There are no obvious tourist attractions, most of the travellers will stay over in Morogoro to hike the mountains. But there is one thing you should not miss when stopping here: Mousaka, the traditional Greek oven dish with luscious layers of aubergine, potato slices, minced meat lathered in extra virgin Olive oil, herby Mediterranean spices and topped with fluffy Bechamel sauce.

Not something you'd immediately expect in the African heartland, but the discovery is all the more rewarding when you've found Mama Pierna's. It is a budget hotel which has seen better days, but the food served is home made daily by Dimitra Pierna. Her Greek/Italian background is evident in all her dishes which according to the guests are authentic in spice and taste. The Lasagna is also a favourite, but you can count yourself fortunate if the days' special is the Hellenic dish of choice.

Mark Riley



A Divine Point of View

On October 7th 2002, 15:45:51 hrs, Mission STS-II2 safely lifted off from pad 39-B at the John F. Kennedy Space Centre. Aboard the Space Shuttle Atlantis a crew of 6 and a Greek Flag were on their way to the International Space Station.

For the first time in the history of human space travel, a cosmonaut of Greek descent was rising up into space. Theodoros Yurchikhin had requested the Greek National flag, sent by his cousin from Athens, to accompany the mission on its 10 day trip. Yurchikhin was born in Batumi in the Autonomous Republic of Ajara, from a **Russian** father Nikolai and his Greek-Pontian mother Mikroula, who currently live in Sindos near Thessaloniki. He regards Greece as his motherland and has visited the country many times, as well as having looked upon Hellas from a Divine point of view.

Mark Riley



Features

IOC Message

Vote for Yourselves

Dear Athletes,

Here you are in Athens! Your ultimate goal as an athlete is to take part in the Olympic Games. During the next two weeks, you are going to experience something unique. You are going to give the best of yourselves in your various disciplines in front of millions of spectators and television viewers throughout the world.

As the IOC President Jacques Rogge frequently reiterates, an Olympian is a world citizen belonging to a family that promotes its own philosophy, the Olympic Ideals.

More than ever, sport has an important role in society. You the athletes have an active role to play as role models and as ambassadors of the values of sport and Olympism for new generations, on both a national and an international level. Your experience is valuable and the Olympic Movement must be able to benefit from it.

When I became Chairman of the IOC Athletes' Commission, I stated that one of my objectives would be to reinforce the role of the athletes within our Movement. This Commission is "your voice". Its main role is to ensure that the athletes remain at the heart of sport. Its representatives defend your interests and your place within the Olympic Movement. They are elected by you and are there to serve your interests.

You can exercise your right to vote in Athens. To choose your representatives is to express your opinion and convey your concerns. Remember that your vote can make all the difference! Athletes of the world, make your voice heard! Please vote for the IOC Athletes' Commission!

Signed: Sergey Bubka



Venue of the Day

Pankritio Stadium, Heraklio



24 March 2004



15 June 2004



22 June 2004

Heraklio's Pankritio Stadium has already acquired its true name - the jewel of Heraklio, as befits such a venue, at the estuary of the river Giofyros and a few metres only from the Lido promenade. Here twenty-six thousand spectators will be able to enjoy any sporting competition, wherever they are sitting on relation to the field of play; and particularly the matches of the Olympic Football Tournament that began yesterday with games between the national women's teams from Greece and the USA and the national men's teams from Tunisia and Australia.

The Pankritio Stadium is 3km from the city centre of Heraklio. Within the next few years it will be a preferred destination for many citizens who will be able to reach the venue via the pedestrian precinct and the Velodrome, now under construction, to work out, swim, and enjoy the beauty of the landscape.

has the Venue has been prepared so well by Volunteers and Employees to such an extent that when FIFA officials arrived on a recent visit, they were ecstatic. The stadium has been decorated with the Olympic colours and is welcoming thousands of Cretans who will attend the games.

As well as Football, the Stadium can accommodate Track and Field, and it also has an Indoor Pool, training facilities for Rowing, and halls for Gymnastics, Shooting, and Table Tennis. There are also a shopping mall, a restaurant and a cafeteria.

Besides the games that took place yesterday, the men's match between Morocco and Costa Rica will be held today in the Pankritio Stadium. On Saturday there will be two games: Greece against Australia in the women's competition, and Serbia & Montenegro against Australia in the men's competition. On Sunday, the Moroccan men will play Portugal and on 18 August the Portuguese men will play Costa Rica. The women's quarterfinal will be on 20 August, followed by the men's quarterfinal on the next day. The last match will be the women's semifinals on 23 August.

The teams competing in Heraklio are being accommodated at Agia Pelagia, 23km from the Stadium, in a green landscape by the sea, in one of the superb locations for which Crete is famous. Athletes can walk around the green paths of the extensive hotel, or sit on the pebbled beach and enjoy the sound of the waves.



Village Views



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Happy to be in Greece



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Communication on all Levels



Village Views



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Sparring at the Olympic Village Sports Complex



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Finding the way around the Olympic Village



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Fun rules at the swimming pool



Village Views



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Striking a pose in the International Zone



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More posers in the International Zone



What's On

Today 11 August 2004 the Village Celebrates

Birthdays

Aikaterini Androulidaki
Alexandros Christodoulakis
Eleni Anna Georgiou
Fotis Filipou
Dionisios Halmoukis
Anastasios Sapountzis
Aspasia Saridaki
Pinelopi Seiragaki
Gavriil Theologou
Christos Tsikouras
Kiriaki Zerva
Andrei Begunov
Yi Ming Lee
Dusan Pavlovic

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GYM ASST

Team Welcome Ceremonies: Amphitheatre, International Zone

Singapore	09:00-10:00
Uzbekistan	
Mongolia	
Russia	
Armenia	

Chinese Taipei	10:00-11:00
Belarus	
Mozambique	
Sri Lanka	
Barbados	

Togo	11:00-12:00
Niger	
Tunisia	
Jamaica	



What's On

Congo
The Bahamas
Democratic Republic of Congo

Fiji Φίτζι 12:00-13:00
Vanuatu
Tonga
Nauru

Cook Islands
Hungary 13:00-14:00
Tanzania
Lithuania
Slovenia
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Nigeria 15:00-16:00
Burundi
Sierra Leone
Palestine
Guatemala

Poland 16:00-17:00
Serbia and Montenegro
Jordan
Nicaragua
Kyrgyzstan

Denmark 17:00-18:00
Albania
Estonia
Bosnia and Herzegovina
Monaco

Australia 18:00-19:00
Greece 19:00-20:00
New Zealand 20:00-21:00
Switzerland
Netherlands
Israel Israel Ισραήλ
Timor-Leste



What's On

Portugal	21:00-22:00
Germany	
Afghanistan	
Swaziland	
Nepal	
Italy	22:00-22:3

Kenya Exhibition

Exhibition of Kenyan cultural artifacts and handcraft.
Meeting room Resident Centre "Athena" at 19:00.

Club-Cafe Poseidon

The north-most place of the Olympic Village is a dreamy place to be!

Everyday from 17:00 till 21:00 Club Cafe "Poseidon" is the main pool bar-cafe for the swimming pool of the Village.

From 21:00 till 01:00 Poseidon becomes the ultimate place to be for a pre-clubbing situation (Poseidon club kindly closes @ 01:00), or for a chilled drink and fresh snacks near the pool after a possible "summer cinema" experience with great dolby digital sound (the Open Air Cinema is near the gym of the village and very close to Poseidon club-cafe spot)

Open Air Cinema: 22:00

Cafe: 17:00-21:00

Club: 21:00-01:00

The Club Cafe "Poseidon" is going to present a lot of parties with superclub dj's on decks playing many kinds of music (reggae parties, ethnic, Greek nights, latin, r 'n' b, mainstream, house)

Currently (and during non-guesting nights) the soundtrack of Poseidon consists of chill out, lounge, dance, house, tech house, progressive house, tribal, mainstream house, presented by George and Panos

More info for party dates soon!

Club staff (Panos, George and Manolis) welcome to all of u!



What's On

Cinema

Wednesday, 11 August **THE MISSING** **22:00**



New Mexico, USA, 19th century. Maggie (Cate Blanchett, Academy Award nominee for Best Actress, 'Elizabeth') is a young woman living in isolation and raising her two daughters. When her eldest daughter is kidnapped by a psychopathic murderer with supernatural abilities, she turns to her estranged father (Tommy Lee Jones, Academy Award for Best Supporting Actor, 'The Fugitive') for help. Together they will try to follow the killer's bloody and frightening trail before their last hopes of ever seeing the young girl again disappear for good...

Thursday, 12 August **BIG FISH** **22:00**



'Big fish' means a bigger fish than the ones fishermen normally catch. Edward Blum is outsize like this - in the sunset of his life he tells fantastic tales of its best and worst moments. His son William tries to sort out fact from fiction so as to solve the mystery which is keeping father and son at a distance. For the very first time, William will make an effort to understand Edward...

Tuesday, 13 August **OPENING CEREMONY**

Tuesday, 14 August **THE MONA LISA SMILE** **22:00**



With Julia Roberts in the starring role, Kirsten Dunst (The Virgin Suicides), Maggie Gyllenhaal (Secretary) feature in an inspired, amusing and optimistic film. A History of Art teacher finds herself in a college where young women on campus have yet a lot to learn about life, but where she discovers that she herself has a lot to learn about love...



About the Pulse

Welcome to the Olympic Village Pulse, the official daily Newspaper of the Olympic Village!

Through the Pulse web pages you can surf the streets and neighbourhoods of the Olympic Village, feel the pulse of everyday developments at first hand, and meet some of the 25,000 people who live and work in this exciting Village.

The Olympic village paper is in electronic form for the first time, and can be accessed from the ATHENS 2004 website:

www.athens2004.com/olvpulse.

You can find the paper in its printed form by opening the PDF file 'Print the Pulse'. Or, if you are living in the Olympic Village, visit one of the Internet Cafes and ask the helpful staff to either show you to a PC or print you a copy of the Olympic Village Pulse.

The Olympic Village Pulse publishes articles and pictures about life and events in the Village on a daily basis. It contains exclusive interviews with athletes, officials, employees, and volunteers, not to mention dozens of Village activities. The staff is made up of young volunteers who are carving their way into the arena of global journalism in this unique manner. We take pride in the privacy of all residents and employees of the Village and look to enhance the positive and welcoming environment that has been created by everyone. Though the immediate public for The Pulse is athletes and Village residents, its Internet presence opens a virtual window to the whole world.

Our main objective is to keep Village residents up to date with what is happening in the Village, and to enhance a multicultural community of people from all corners of the world. So, welcome to the Olympic Village, the beating heart of the Olympic Games and enjoy these unique days of multicultural and athletic excellence in the names of peace and determination to succeed.



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