

## **FINA Marathon Swimming World Cup 2005**

### **TOWSC Delegate report**

<b>To</b>	<b>Mr. Cornel Marculescu</b>
<b>From</b>	<b>FINA Office. Executive Director</b>
<b>Event:</b>	<b>Tomás Haces TOWSC Member, Delegate.</b> <b>"Maratón Acuático Internacional Ciudad de Rosario" Argentina.</b>
<b>Date</b>	<b>February 19</b>
<b>Race</b>	<b>22 Km. Puerto San Martín – Ciudad Rosario</b>
<b>Prize money</b>	<b>10,000 USD</b>
<b>Participation</b>	<b>20 men, 10 women, 14 countries</b> <b>Argentina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Czech Republic, Egypt, France, Germany, Italy, Macedonia, Netherlands, Russia, Spain, United States of America.</b>
<b>Organisers</b>	<b>Fundación Meridiano y Rosario Swimming Association,</b>
<b>Accommodation</b>	<b>Hotel Imperio. All participants, included FINA Delegates.</b>
<b>Transport</b>	<b>Comfortable, for all participants to the race and official activities.</b>
<b>Pre Race</b>	<b>Facilities, services and training venues, were available from Tuesday 15th.</b>
<b>Director of the race</b>	<b>Cristian Fredes</b>
<b>Referee</b>	<b>Alberto E. Márquez Asst. Ref. Nicolás Romanicio and Lisandro Alessi.</b>
<b>Medical FINA – Delegate</b>	<b>Dr. K. M. S. Aziz</b>
<b>Medical Doctor</b>	<b>Sanafe, EMERGENCIAS MEDICAS (two doctors)</b>
<b>Doping - Control</b>	<b>Dr. K. M. S. Aziz</b>
<b>Jury of appeal</b>	<b>Cristian Fredes, Alberto Márquez, Tomás Haces</b>
<b>Event details</b>	<b>See annex</b>
<b>Results</b>	<b>See annex.</b>
<b>Visitors</b>	<b>Thousands peoples at starting point, and finish area of the race.</b>
<b>Media</b>	<b>T.V., Radio, Newspapers and Sports Magazine.</b>
<b>Start/finish area</b>	<b>Very well organized and good facilities</b>
<b>Victory – ceremony</b>	<b>Was presented by National, Sates and Local Authorities.</b>
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>	<b>The event results an spectacular activity for the people, specially, for the hundreds of children that were present.</b>
<b>Doping Control</b>	<b>It was impossible to do because no proper Doping Control Forms.</b>

**Schedule of the event:**

- **Training sessions all days, at Club Universitario. From 8.45 A.M. for the morning, and from 5.30 P.M. in the afternoon.**
- **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>.**
  - 10.00 A.M. Visit to the Mayor of the City and the handing present by FINA to Organizing Committee. Salón Carrasco, Municipalidad de Rosario.
  - 7.30 P.M. Swimmer's Presentation and welcome Dinner at the Portal Rosario Shopping/Shopping Center
- **Friday 18<sup>th</sup>.**
  - 4.00 P.M. Technical Meeting at the Hotel.
- **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup>.**
  - 4.00 P.M. Start of the race
  - 6.30 P.M. Awards Ceremony
  - 9.15 P.M. Close Dinner

**Venue:**

**Parana River.**

**Current 6 km/h from north to south**

**Temperature, water 25° Air 31° Celsius**

**Wind, 10 km/h from N/E**

**Event details:**

**The training of the teams, before and after the competition, took place in the Club Universitario swimming pool.**

**At the technical meeting all the swimmers, coaches and/or accompanying persons were present, as well as the Referee and his assistants. During the meeting, taking into account the concern of the swimmers, the Organising Committee together with the FINA delegate decided on the best procedure to adopt in the finish area in order to facilitate the security of the athletes.**

**The event started with the presentation of all swimmers to the spectators gathered in the start area; the athletes then moved on the starting line in the water.**

**The race started at 16:10 with excellent air and water conditions.**

**After the first 5km, the leading group was formed by Rafael Peres (ARG) and Rodolfo Valenti (ITA). A second group included Petar Stoychev (BUL), Damián Blaum (ARG), Mohamed Sorour (EGY), Stephane Gómez (FRA), Evgeni Bezruchenko (RUS), Facundo Quiroga (ARG) and Maarten Van der Weijden (NED). After the 15km-mark and until the last 500m, Mohamed Sorour (EGY) was in the lead, but was shortly joined by Stephane Gomez (FRA) and Evgeni Bezruchenko (RUS). In a close final, the two first places were hardly contested by Gomez and Bezruchenko, but the French touched first. Sorour finished in the third position.**

**The Award Ceremony was very well organised, bringing a shiny finale to the event.**

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*19<sup>th</sup> February, Saturday.*

**MEN RESULTS.**

Pos.	Name and surname.	Country.	Time.	Prize money.	Points.
1	Stephane Gómez	FRA	2:00.30.40	1,000 + 800	15
2	Evgeni Bezruchenko	RUS	2:00.30.55	750 + 550	11
3	Mohamed Sorour	EGY	2:00.41.14	500 + 300	9
4	Damián Blaum	ARG	2:00.43.33	400 +	7
5	Facundo Quiroga	ARG	2:00.46.83	350 +	6
6	Petar Stoychev	BUL	2:01.04.64	300	5
7	Guilherme Bier	BRA	2:01.10.56	250	4
8	Maarten Van der Weijden	NED	2:01.21.54	200	3
9	Simone Menoni	ITA	2:01.26.97	150	2
10	Carlos Pavao	BRA	2:01.37.62	100	2
11	Rostislav Vitek	CZE	2:01.57.74	-	2
12	Rafael Pérez	ARG	2:01.59.08	-	2
13	Gabriel Villagoiz	ARG	2:01.59.73	-	2
14	Francisco Sales Rubio	ARG	2:02.03.82	-	2
15	Rodolfo Valenti	ITA	2:02.04.11	-	2
16	Andrea Volpini	ITA	2:02.09.92	-	2
17	Mohamed El Zanaty	EGY	2:03.09.63	-	2
18	Piergiorgio Gagliotti	ITA	2:03.52.27	-	2
19	Jane Karajovanov	MKD	2:05.39.92	-	2
20	Marc-André Leclerc	CAN	2:11.08.50	-	2

**RETIRED: NO**

**WOMEN RESULTS.**

Pos.	Name and surname.	Country.	Time.	Prize money.	Points.
1	Britta Kamrau	GER	2:02.03.82	1,000	15
2	Edith Van Dijk	NED	2:02.04.11	750	11
3	Ivanka Moralieva	BUL	2:03.09.63	500	9
4	Esther Núñez Morera	ESP	2:07.45.68	400	7
5	Yveta Hlavacova	CZE	2:08.31.59	350	6
6	Pilar Geijo	ARG	2:09.49.70	300	5
7	Erica Rose	USA	2:11.08.50	250	4
8	Teodora Raptis	MKD	2:13.27.57	200	3
9	Noelia Petti	ARG	2:18.09.25	150	2
10	Irene Van der Laan	NED	2:21.44.29	100	2

**RETIRED: NO**