InternationaL triathlon union

Minutes of 4th Congress

Day 1: Wednesday, October 9, 1991
Pan-Pacific Hotel, Gold Coast, Australia

1. CALL TO ORDER:

a) President Les McDonald called the 4th Congress of ITU to order with the following present:

Table Officers:

President: Les McDonald, Canada
Vice President: Antoine Flumignani, France
Secretary: Geoff Frost, Australia
Treasurer: Carl Thomas, USA

Board Members:

Dr. Sarah Springman, Great Britain
Phil Briars, New Zealand
Rafael Quiroga, Chile
Frank Schatz, Germany
Vaclav Vitovec, Checkoslovakia

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2. **APPOINTMENT OF SCRUTINEERS:**

   a) President Les McDonald appointed Tony Harnett (Canada), Peter Howard (Great Britain), and Mark Sisson (USA) as scrutineers and charged them with their duty, which is to scrutinise the accuracy of the minutes.

3. **APPOINTMENT OF TELLERS:**

   a) President Les McDonald appointed Dr. Connie Lebrun (Canada), Peter Fitzsimmonds (New Zealand) and Ruud Dulmus (Netherlands) as tellers to count the ballots.

4. **MINUTES OF THE LAST CONGRESS:**

   a) The minutes of the Orlando Congress were accepted as circulated.

5. **ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:**

   a) 26 of the 75 member countries were recorded as being present. (Other NGB delegates did arrive after Roll Call.)
6. **EXAMINATION OF PROXIES:** Phil Briars reported on behalf of the Credentials Committee that the following proxies were presented and accepted:

   a) Belgium by Germany
   b) Hungary by Austria
   c) Luxembourg by Ireland
   d) Switzerland by Netherlands

7. **ADMISSION OF NEW MEMBERS:** The following were admitted as members of ITU:

   a) Estonia
   b) South Africa
   c) China
   d) Korea
   e) Germany (Unified): Frank Schatz spoke on the historical meaning of a new unified Germany.


   **M/S/C:** (Moved, Seconded and Carried): That the 1991 financial statement be accepted as presented.

   **M/S/C:** That the 1992 Projected budget be tabled until day #2 of Congress (10.10.91)

9. **AUDIT COMMITTEE:**

   a) The Audit Committee members are: Ruud Dulmus (Netherlands), Emil Stoinev (Bulgaria) and Bernard St. Jean (France).

   b) The accounts for the period September 30, 1989 to December 31, 1989 were not reviewed by the Audit Committee. (This was accepted as satisfactory on this occasion.)

   **M/S/C** That the 1990 financial statement be accepted.

   **M/S/C** Future financial reports include the budget statement with the actual expenditure and explanation of significant differences.
The Audit Committee were thanked for the work put into the annual audit.

10. INFORMATION COMMITTEE:

   a) Ian Sweet (Great Britain) reported

   b) The newsletter requires useful information. All NGBs are asked to send appropriate information to the newsletter editor.

   c) There were four newsletters this year.

   d) A media list is being complied at the ITU office. All NGBs are asked for relevant information.

   e) An ITU "Guide to Triathlon" requires funding and organization. This guide will include the Media Guide. Advertising opportunities are to be explored.

   f) AIPS is the official body for sporting communications and is recognized by the Olympic Committee.

M/S/C That the report be accepted as presented.

11. TECHNICAL COMMITTEE:

Gosta Mittag-Leffler (Sweden) reported on the Technical Committee activities. (Note: It was recommended that Congress accept the principle only of the following resolutions and leave semantic problems to be solved by the Technical Committee.

Resolution 23: Rule Changes

M/S/C: That Section 8.4 b) of the Constitution be changed to "a simple majority (50% + 1) of the votes by Congress is required to carry a motion concerning modification of the Competition Rules. The motion carried by 2/3 majority.

Resolution 24: Eligibility

M/S/C That the Competition Rules be amended as follows:

   a) Section II.4.b) (iii); delete "Olympic Games, or" three times.

   b) Section II.4.b) (vii); delete "Olympic Games or", change "until three years" to "during the same and the next calendar year", and change "National Olympic Committees (NOCs)" to "National Governing Bodies (NGBs)" and change "IOC Executive Board" to "ITU Executive Board."
c) Section II.4.b) (viii); change "IOC" to "ITU" and "NOC" to "NGB", and "Olympic Games" to "World Championships".

Resolution 25: Insurance

M/S/C: That the resolution be approved as amended: That ITU secure the services of a specialist to advise us on the matter of insurance and that recommendation be made as to whether the Criteria for hosting ITU competition should include an insurance requirement.

Resolution 26A: Apartheid

M/S/D: (Moved, seconded, defeated): That Section II.5 of the Competition Rules remain intact

M/S/C: That Section II.5 and Section III.4.a)(vi) of the Competition Rules be deleted.

Resolution 27: Warnings

M/S/C: That the following changes be made to the Competition Rules:

a) Section III.2 a) It is not mandatory for a race marshal to give a warning prior to issuing a penalty.

b) Section III.2 c) The issuance of a warning will be given at the discretion of the race official.

c) When a warning is given the race official must do so by sounding a whistle or horn; and by showing a yellow card; and by calling the competitor’s number.

Resolution 28: Warnings (Tabled to Day 2)

That the ITU Technical Committee recommend that all organizers of ITU sanctioned events use and gain experience with the "Muskoka Rules" on an experimental basis. Furthermore, ITU strongly recommends NGBs use and gain experience with the Muskoka Rules.

Full details of the Muskoka Rules will be circulated by the ITU-TC secretary as soon as possible.

Resolution 29: Race Numbers Amended.

M/S/C That Section III.3 (viii) of the Competition Rules be changed to include: "during the cycle segment the number must be worn on the lower back of the torso and on the bike."
Resolution 30: Swimming Conduct

M/S/C: That Section IV 1 b) of the Competition Rules be changed by deleting "walking will be permitted where water depth is less than one (1) metre."

Resolution 31: Swimming Conduct

M/S/C: That Section IV.1.b) be changed by adding "such as a buoy or stationary boat."

Resolution 32: Competition Categories

M/S/C: That the following changes be made to Competition Rules and the Operations Manual:

VIII.2.b) in the Competition Rules and III.2.d)(ii) in the Operations Manual be changed from "second team member" to "third team member," and further that this change be effective from January 1, 1991.

VIII.2.c) in the Competition Rules and III.2.d)(iii) in the Operations Manual be changed from, "twelve (12) hours prior to the start of the competition" to "twelve noon the day before the race, and furthermore be it resolved that this change be effective from January 1, 1991.

VIII 1.b) of the Competition Rules change "15-19 years" to "17-19 years" and further that this change be effective from January 1, 1993, and further that NGBs be encouraged to promote competitions for a "Youth" age group of 14-16 year old with a recommended distance of 0.75km swim, 20km cycle and 5km run.

VIII.b) and VIII.c) of the Competition Rules and Section III.b) and III.c) in the Operations Manual be changed from "age on January 1 in the year of competition" to "year of birth" and further that this change be effective from January 1, 1992.

Resolution 33B: Cycling Equipment

M/S/C: That Section V.b)(i) of the Competition Rules be changed to: "The helmet must be approved by an officially recognized testing authority (disqualification) such as:

a) American National Standard Institute (ANSI Z-90.4)
b) Snell Memorial Foundation
c) National Swedish Board of Consumer Policy

Resolution 34: Disqualification

M/S/C: That Section III.3.c)(xii) "violating traffic regulations." of the Competition Rules be approved.
Resolution 35: Timing and Results

M/S/C: That Section II.10 of the Competition Rules be approved as follows:

a) Time splits will be provided in the race results:
   
   (i) after the swim/bike transition;
   (ii) after the bike/run transition;
   (iii) after the run.

b) The results will include those competitors who were disqualified, and the reason for disqualification.

Resolution 36: Cycling Conduct

M/S/C: That the following changes be made to Section V.1. of the Competition Rules

Section V.1.e) to read "a bare torso will not be permitted while cycling (disqualification)."

Section V.1.f) to read "no forward progress will be allowed without the bicycle (disqualification)."

Resolution 37: (Tabled on 10.19.91)

M/S/C: That the following changes be made to Section V.2.e)(i) of the Competition Rules, "the vehicle draft zone is a rectangle 35 metres long by 5 metres wide, which surrounds every vehicle on the cycle segment. The front edge of the vehicle will define the centre of the leading 5 metres edge of the rectangle."

Resolution 38: Running Conduct

M/S/C: That section VI.1.c), and VI.1.d) and VI.1.e) be added to the Competition Rules

Resolution 39: Transition Area Conduct:

M/S/C: That the following changes be made to Section VII.1. of the Competition Rules: "e) Competitors must mount and dismount their bicycle at the designated area or line (disqualification)." and that "g) Competitors must rack their own bikes. (disqualification)"

Resolution 40: Standard Distances for Triathlon:

M/S/C: That Section XIII Appendix B in the Competition Rules: Standard Distances for Triathlon be:
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**Resolution 41: Standard Distances for Duathlon**

This resolution was tabled to the Duathlon Conference at Desert Princess, on November 29, 1991.

**Resolution 43: Sponsors Logos:**

*M/S/C:* That the following words be deleted from Section III.4.b) of the Operations Manual: "the size of which will be subject to the guidelines of ITU."

**Resolution 44: Race Numbers:**

*M/S/C:* That the following words be added to Section II.9.d)(i) of the Competition Rules and Section IV.3.d)(i) of the Operations Manual: "Three (3) Official Race numbers, (two for body, one for the bike.)"

**Resolution 45: Wave Starts:**

*M/S/C:* That Section V.2.a) of the Operations Manual be changed from "250 to 150" competitors per wave.

Congress requested that the ITU Technical Committee keep all NGBs informed on procedures developed if more than 150 competitors for the elite men's waves is required. This process will be based on qualifying times.

**Resolution 46: Wave Starts:** (tabled from 10.10.91)

*M/S/C:* That Section V.2.d) of the Operation Manual be changed as follows:

"Race organizers should strive to achieve a separate race in as many aspects as possible for each distinct category. Therefore there will be at least one (1) wave for each of the following categories (in no particular order):

a) national team elite men
b) national team elite women

c) national team junior men

d) national team junior women

e) age group men

f) age group women

Resolution 47: Out and back courses: This resolution was defeated

Resolution 48: Lap Course

M/S/C: As amended, that Section VII.1.e) is added to the Operations Manual, and that Section VII.1.d) and VII.1.e) be re-numbered sequentially to Section VII.1.f) and VII.1.g) respectively. And further that Section VII.1.e) read as follows: "If a lap course is approved it must meet the following conditions:

a) a maximum of two (2) laps;

b) the wave start schedule will guarantee that the elite men and elite women and the junior men and junior women will finish separate from each other and separate from the age group competitors.

Resolution 49: Technical Delegate Report

M/S/C: That the following words be added to Section XIII.3.b) (ii) of the Operations Manual "...the ‘host NGB’ and the Organizing ..."

Resolution 50: Athlete’s Meeting

M/S/C: As amended, that the following words be added to both Section II.7 of the Competition Rules and Section IV.4.a) of the Operations Manual: "There will be a compulsory meeting held the day before all ITU sanctioned competitions. For the World Championships, each NGB must have the team captain and/or coach, and/or manager, and/or athletes in attendance. For World Cup competitions, all elite athletes must attend. The purpose of this meeting will be to clarify all technical issues for competitors. This meeting will be conducted by the TD, the Race Director and the Referee."
**Resolution 51**: Swim Equipment

**MIS/C**: "That the following words be added to Section IV.2. of the Competition Rules: "b) Goggles and nose clips are allowed."

12. **CONGRESS ADJOURNED FOR A LUNCHEON HOSTED BY TRIATHLON AUSTRALIA AT 12:30 P.M. AND RECONVENE AT 1:30 P.M.**

13. **TECHNICAL COMMITTEE REPORT - Continued**

**Resolution 52**: Marshals in the Cycle Segment (Tabled on day 2 (10.10.91)

**MIS/C** (as amended) That the following changes be made to the Operations Manual:

a) Section XIII.5.a)(ii): change "... to ensure that all race marshals have a national certificate and that they attend a compulsory one day pre-race clinic."

b) Section XIII.5.a) add (iv), "To enforce the drafting regulations, certified race marshals will be available according to the following table:

   (i) **Sprint distance**: 1 certified race marshal per ten (10) competitors.

   (ii) **Olympic distance**: 1 certified race marshal per twenty (20) competitors.

   (iii) **Long distance**: 1 certified race marshal per thirty (30) competitors.

**Resolution 53**: Swim Caps

**MIS/C**: As amended, that the following words be added to Section IV.2.a) of the Competition Rules, "If the swim cap is lost unintentionally during the swim section the competitor will not be penalized."

**Resolution 54**: Technical Delegates first visit.

**MIS/C**: That Section XV,1,a) of the Operations Manual be changed to read: "within three months of the awarding of the World Championships by Congress."

**Resolution 55**: Race Announcements

**MIS/C**: That the ITU Technical Committee will make a recommendation, for inclusion in the Operations Manual, about the contents of race announcements.
Resolution 56: Entry Fee

M/S/C: As amended, that the ITU Technical Committee prepare a section in the ITU Operations Manual which outlines the content of entry forms to the Triathlon World Championship.

INTERNATIONAL TRIATHLON UNION

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Day 2: Thursday, October 10, 1991
Pan-Pacific Hotel, Gold Coast, Australia

1. CALL TO ORDER:
   a) President Les McDonald called the second day of the 4th Congress of ITU to order.

2. CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE REPORT continued:

Resolution 4: Part 1: Standing Committees:

M/S/C: That Section 6.9 of the ITU Constitution be changed to read as follows:

6.9 Credentials Committee:

   a) serves for a period of time starting the day before Congress and ending the day after Congress adjourns; and

   b) has the following responsibilities;

      (i) to examine the credentials of each person attending Congress;

      (ii) to verify the authenticity of credentials and to supply Congress materials, voting cards and identification to appropriate attendees;

      (iii) to report to Congress on the presence or absence of NGBs, Standing Committee members and other Congress attendees; and

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(iv) to examine and verify proxies held by attending NGBs on behalf of absent NGBs.

Resolution 4: Part 2: Audit Committee:

M/S/C: That Section 6.10 of the ITU Constitution be added as follows:

6.10 The Audit Committee:

a) is advisory;

b) serves for a period of time commencing the day after Congress and ending with the adjournment of the next Congress; and

c) has the following responsibilities:

(i) to periodically review the financial statements prepared by the Treasurer;

(ii) to periodically report to the Executive Board and to Congress on the status of the ITU financial statement.

Resolution 4: Part 3: Constitution Committee:

M/S/C: That Section 6.11 of the ITU Constitution be added as follows:

6.11 The Constitution Committee:

a) is advisory and supports the development of Triathlon; and

b) has the following responsibilities;

(i) to periodically review the Constitution of ITU to determine whether it is consistent with the stated goals and objectives of ITU;

(ii) to review proposals from NGBs regarding suggested changes to the ITU Constitution; and

(iii) to propose amendments to the Constitution as deemed necessary by the Committee.

Resolution 5: Honourary Auditors:

M/S/C: That Section 5.5 be deleted from the ITU Constitution.
Resolution 6: Non-Profit Regulations:

M/S/C: That Section 15.1 of the ITU Constitution be changed to read, "This organization is organized for charitable purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the U.S.A. Internal Revenue Code.

3. DUATHLON COMMISSION REPORT: The report, presented by Mark Sisson (USA) on behalf of the Commission Chair, Dr. Matt Brick (New Zealand), covered the following issues:

a) The Duathlon World Championships is on November 30th, 1991, at Desert Princess. The distances for the event are: 10km run, 60km cycle, 10km run.

b) 25 NGBs have entered the Duathlon World Championships.

c) A bid from France for the 1993 Duathlon World Championships was received by Congress. The event will be held on the Island of Corsica at the beginning of October.

M/S/C: That the 1993 Duathlon World Championships be awarded to France.

4. PAN-AMERICAN TRIATHLON CONFEDERATION:

a) The Pan-Am Sports Organization (PASO) currently consists of 39 countries. PASO is an Olympic Committee group, responsible for organizing the Pan-Am Games, the second largest sporting event in the world. Triathlon has been given provisional membership in that organization. To qualify for full membership and a place on the programme of the Pan-Am Games, Argentina, 1995, the Pan-Am Triathlon Confederation must have at least 13 NGBs officially recognized by their NOCs.

c) The first Pan-Am Triathlon Championships will be held in Ixtapa, Mexico on November 16, 1991.

d) Latin America has been identified as one of the greatest potential growth areas for Triathlon.

5. CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE REPORT CONTINUED:

Resolution 1: Women’s Commission: Withdrawn

Resolution 2: Athletes’ Commission: Withdrawn
Resolution 3: Candidates for Election

M/S/C: As amended, that Section 9.5 of the ITU Constitution be changed to read as follows:

"A candidate for election to the Executive Board must:

a) be a member of an NGB which is a member of ITU in good standing; and

b) with the exception of the Athlete's Commission, the Women's Commission and the Duathlon Commission, submit to ITU the nomination form signed by the NGB President and Secretary to the ITU Secretary, not later than 60 days prior to the first day of Congress at which elections are scheduled."

Resolution 3B: Candidates for Election

M/S/C: As amended, that Section 9.8 of the ITU Constitution be amended to read as follows:

"A candidate for election to any Standing Committee:

a) must be a member of an NGB which is a member of ITU in good standing; and

b) may stand for election at Congress

6. EXECUTIVE BOARD RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 7: Honorary President: tabled to after lunch (10.10.91)

Resolution 8: Pan-American Confederation

M/S/C: That Miguel Casillas (Mexico), Jorge Meija (Colombia) and Guillermo Saenz, Costa Rica be warmly congratulated for their work in creating the Pan American Triathlon Confederation.

Resolution 9: Asian Triathlon Confederation

M/S/C: That Masao Nakayama (Japan), Rami Ramachandran (India), Guo Quing Long (China) and Nakaji Shimizu (Japan) be warmly congratulated for their work in creating the Asian Triathlon Confederation.

Resolution 10: Race Results

M/S/C: That the distribution of race results of Triathlon world Championships be the
responsibility of each NGB. The Race Organizing Committee will distribute a complete set to each NGB who will in turn distribute a set to each participating athlete.

Resolution 11: John E. DuPont Trophy

M/S/C: That the perpetual trophy donated by Mr. John E. DuPont, be suitably engraved with the ITU World Championships’ names and transported each year to the site of the Triathlon World Championships, and further that between events the trophy be kept at the Foxcatcher Farm, Pennsylvania, USA.

Resolution 12: Court of Arbitration:

M/S/C: That all legal questions concerning ITU contracts and other parties be referred to the Court of Arbitration for Sport (IOC), and that all contracts contain this provision.

Resolution 13: Television Rights:

M/S/C: That ITU claim universal television rights for the World Championships and the international television rights for World Cup races after 1991 and will negotiate a contract with future host NGBs on that basis.

Resolution 14: ITU Logo:

M/S/C: That the logo developed by ITU Treasurer, Carl Thomas be accepted as the official logo for ITU.

Resolution 15: Provisional Membership:

M/S/C: As amended, that a definition for "provisional membership" of ITU be established, and that such a task be referred to the ITU Constitutional Committee.

Resolution 16: Bids for World Championships:

M/S/C: As amended, that bids for future Triathlon World Championships be submitted at least six (6) months in advance of Congress to the Executive Board, and further that such bids be accepted three years in advance.

Resolution 17: Advisory Council: Withdrawn
Resolution 18: Relationship with Athlete's Agents:

M/S/C: As amended, that Congress endorse wholeheartedly the position of the IOC on the question of agents, and that we do not deal, negotiate or consult with them in any way, and further that ITU advise their member NGBs of this decision and urge them to support this decision.

Resolution 19: Appearance Fees

M/S/C That ITU is opposed to "appearance fees" in principle.

Resolution 20: Performance Standards for Elite Athletes: Withdrawn

Resolution 21: Motion of thanks:

M/S/C: That the ITU Technical Committee, led by Lyn Brooks, David McGillivray, Loreen Barnett, Gosta Mittag-Leffler, Didier Lehenaff and Miguel Casillas be given a hearty vote of thanks for the outstanding work they have performed in producing the 1991 Manual.

Resolution 22: Part 1: World Championships Contracts

M/S/C: As amended, that the host NGB sign the ITU Criteria contract within three (3) months of approval by Congress, or the bid may be considered null and void, and further, that this item be added to the criteria for hosting ITU sanctioned competitions.

Resolution 22: Part 2: Criteria for World Championships

M/S/C: That the criteria for ITU World Championships be approved.

7. TREASURER'S REPORT:

a) The Treasurer presented the 1992 budget.

M/S/C: As amended, that the budget be accepted, and furthermore that the Treasurer's budget be spent up to 85% of revenue.

M/S/C: (by acclamation) that Carl Thomas be warmly congratulated for the good work put into the preparation of the financial accounts.
8. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Les McDonald presented the President's Report as follows:

Since the last Congress, the President has had numerous occasions in which to represent ITU, within the framework of his various activities. With only few exceptions the Presidents travel arrangements were covered by invitation, and not from ITU funds.

**October '90:** Attended the GAISF Conference in Monte Carlo with Dr. Sarah Springman, Frank Schatz, Mike Gilmore, Antoine Flamignani and Bernard St. Jean.

Attended IOC meeting in Lausanne with Gilbert Felli, Francois Carrard, Dick Pound, Vitaly Smirnov, Gunnar Ericsson and ITU Delegation of Mike Gilmore, Bernard St. Jean and Antoine Flamignani

**November '90:** Lobbied IOC Executive Board, Lillehammer, Norway on invite from Gunnar Ericsson (IOC). ITU delegation included Sture Jonasson (Sweden) and Svend Brettschneider (Denmark)

**November '90:** Attended the formation of the Duathlon Commission Meeting in Palm Springs, with Mark Sisson (Tri-Fed/USA), plus ITU officers Frank Schatz (Germany), Carl Thomas (USA), Mike Gilmore (USA), Miguel Casillas (Mexico).

**November '90:** Attended and acted on Competition Jury, World Duathlon Championships, Palm Springs

**November '90:** Arranged and attended meeting with Atlanta Organizing Committee; Billy Payne, Charlie Battle, Jack Pinkerton, with Mike Gilmore and Carl Thomas, Atlanta, USA.

**November '90:** Attended formation of Pan-American Triathlon Confederation, Ixtapa, Mexico with Miguel Casillas (Mexico), Jorge Meija (Colombia), Guillermo Saenz (Costa Rica) and other ITU officers: Flo Bryan, Loreen Barnett.

**November '90:** Attended and acted on the Competition Jury of the Ixtapa International Triathlon

**January '91:** Organized ITU Council Meeting and attended USA Triathlete of the Year Celebrations, Long Beach, Los Angeles, California.

**April '91:** Attended meeting in Lausanne with IOC Sports Director, Gilbert Felli and Vitaly Smirnov (IOC) and chair of IOC Programme Commission, prior to meeting of the IOC Programme Commission

**April '91:** Lobbied IOC Executive Board meetings in Barcelona with Carl Thomas (USA) and Marisol Casado (Spain). The IOC Executive Board voted at this time to recommend recognition of ITU to the next Session of IOC, Birmingham in June.
April '91: Attended opening of Atlanta '96 Olympic Headquarters, which included discussions with President Samaranch, and Billy Payne and Charlie Battle of the Atlanta Organizing Committee.

June '91: Attended ITU Duathlon World Cup, Keevil, England, with Ian Sweet and John Lillie.

June '91: Lobbied the IOC Session, Birmingham, courtesy of Mr. Gunnar Ericsson (IOC), where ITU was granted recognition by the IOC.

June '91: Attended the ITU Council Meeting, Birmingham, thanks to Ken Wood and the British Triathlon Association.

June '91: Attended formation of the Asian Triathlon Association, Beijing, China.

June '91: Attended the Beijing International Triathlon with Masao Nakayama (Japan), and Gua Quing Long (China), and Ramy Ramanchandra (India).

July '91: Attended the Portaferry World Cup Triathlon in Ireland with Dr. Sarah Springman, hosted by Desi McHenry and Neil Granger.

July '91: Attended Triathlon World Cup in Vancouver. Acted on Competition Jury with Loreen Barnett.

July '91: Attended meetings in Mexico City with Miguel Casillas regarding organizing NGBs in the Americas.

July '91: Addressed, on behalf of ITU, the Assembly of Pan-American Sports Organizations in Havana, Cuba at the time of the Pan-American Games. Was accompanied by Mark Sisson and Bart Hackley of Tri-Fed/USA and Miguel Casillas (Mexico), courtesy of Mr. Mario Vasquez Rana (IOC) (Mexico), with support from Carol Anne Letheren (IOC) (Canada), Dick Pound, (IOC) (Canada) and Dr. Roger Jackson, (PASO) (CANADA).

July '91: Attended in Los Angeles meeting with Ironman Company, accompanied by Mike Gilmore and Mark Sisson.

August '91: Attended Triathlon World Cup in Toronto, accompanied by Masao Nakayama (Japan) and with our host, Graham Fraser (Canada).

August '91: Attended French Sprint Championships at Pont de Mousson, France, the guest of Antoine Flumignani, Jacques Laparade, Bernard St. Jean and F.F.Tri.

August '91: Attended the Triathlon World Cup in Enbrun, the guest of Gerald Iacono, Race Organizer and Jacques Laparade, F.F.Tri.

September '91: Attended the Triathlon World Cup in Beijing
September '91: Attended the Asian Triathlon Confederation Meeting in Beijing.

September '91: Attended the Duathlon World Cup Race in Vancouver

October '91: Attended the ITU Executive Board Meetings in Gold Coast, Australia.

During the past year, there have been numerous correspondences with NGBs/IOC members/GAISF officials, plus four official reports from the ITU President. Administration of the affairs of ITU from the Vancouver office is a full time occupation (albeit without enumeration.) This work has included:

a) The production of the ITU Manual, which includes the Competition Rules, the Operations Manual, Doping Control, the Officials Programme, the Constitution and the Women’s Commission. A special thank you to the standing committees involved plus the invaluable work of Loreen Barnett at the ITU office;

b) Negotiating and creating the first Triathlon World Cup Series and Duathlon World Cup Series;

c) Supervision of the contract negotiations between ITU (in the capable hands of Mike Gilmore) and host NGBs of Triathlon World Championships: Australia '91, Canada '92 and Germany '93.

d) Providing assistance to new NGBs;

e) Arranging travel for athletes committed to the Triathlon World Cup Series;

f) Preparing for Congress '91.

It was a very successful year for ITU. The future looks bright, based on the strength of our NGBs, our Olympic objective and the unity within ITU.

M/S/C: That the report be accepted and that Les McDonald be thanked for his hard work over the past year.

9. MEDICAL REPORT: Dr. Doug Hiller, chair of the ITU Medical Committee presented the report.

M/S/C: That the ITU Medical Committee of 7 add an additional 4 advisory members.

Resolution 57: Race Conditions

M/S/C: As amended that the criteria for selection of race sites and the race bids for all future ITU sanctioned competitions include average air temperature and humidity which are appropriate for the health and well-being of competitors, and that shade should be provided at the start and finish areas.
Resolution 58: Team Doctor

M/S/C: That, where possible, all NGBs bring their own team doctor.

Resolution 59: Doping Penalty

M/S/C: That the penalty for first time offense for use of anabolic steroids, amphetamine-related and other stimulants, caffeine, diuretics, beta-blockers, narcotic analgesics, designer drugs and boosting be increased from two to four years, and further that all NGBs affiliated to ITU establish a similar policy.

Resolution 60: Doping Control Criteria:

M/S/C: That Doping Control be part of the criteria for Triathlon World Cup Series races for 1992 and beyond and Duathlon World Cup Series races in 1993 and beyond.

Resolution 61: Hydration in Cold Temperatures:

M/S/C: That the ITU Medical Committee establish a policy on serving warm drinks in cold weather.

M/S/C: That Dr. Hiller’s report be approved as presented, and further that Dr. Hiller and the ITU Medical Committee be thanked for their outstanding work in this area.

10. WOMEN’S COMMISSION REPORT: Dr. Sarah Springman, Co-Chair of the ITU Women’s Commission presented the report.

Resolution 62: Athlete of the Year

M/S/C: As amended, that ITU formally congratulate:

a) Paula Newby-Fraser for being named the 1991 Athlete of the Year in the USA
b) Karen Smyers for being short-listed for the 1992 Athlete of the Year in the USA;
c) Erin Baker for being awarded the 1991 Athlete of the Year in New Zealand; and
d) Thea Sybsma for National Athlete Award in Holland.

Resolution 63: Newsletter:

M/S/C: As amended that ITU establish a high quality newsletter on a quarterly basis which features regular articles from:
a) A network of liaison reporters from as many NGBs as possible;
b) the ITU President and Executive Board;
c) Regional Representatives
d) Standing Committees, with a feature section from:
   (i) the Women’s Commission;
   (ii) the Athletes’ Commission;
   (iii) the Duathlon Commission;

And further that the ITU President take responsibility for assigning the appropriate personal to achieve this task.

Resolution 64: Liaison Person with the ITU Women’s Commission

M/S/C: That each NGB affiliated to ITU provide the name and address of at least one person who will attempt to implement the goals and objectives of the ITU Women’s Commission within their country.

Resolution 65: Equal Funding

M/S/C: That all NGBs be encouraged to choose and equally fund an equal number of men and women to all ITU sanctioned competition: Triathlon World Championships, Triathlon World Cup Series, Duathlon World Championships and Duathlon World Cup Series.

Resolution 66: Women’s Committees

M/S/C: That the activities of the NGB’s Women’s Commission be reported in the ITU Newsletter, and further that the ITU Women’s Commission and NGBs encourage the development of and activities for Women’s Committees in all NGBs.

Resolution 67: Equal Prize Money:

M/S/C: That all NGBs adopt a policy of equal support and prize money for women for all their national and state/provincial championship competitions.
Resolution 68: Media Coverage Policy:

M/S/C: That the ITU Women’s Commission continue to research ways to encourage a policy of media coverage which ensures equal coverage of men and women in Triathlon.

Resolution 69: Funding of the Women’s Commission:

M/S/C: As amended, that the ITU Treasurer budget for the Women’s Commission a sufficient amount to enable them to function.

M/S/C That the report of Dr. Sarah Springman be adopted as presented, and that Dr. Springman be thanked for the outstanding work of the Women’s Commission.

11. KEYNOTE ADDRESS BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE AUSTRALIAN OLYMPIC COMMITTEE, MR. JOHN COATES:

a) John welcomed delegates to Australia, and outlined his thoughts on both the Olympic spirit, and the progress of Triathlon as a sport.

b) Key points made were:

(i) The Olympics are not just a sporting festival, but include many other aspects - specifically, a youth programme, and a scientific programme.

(ii) John used several analogies from both the early Olympics and the modern Olympics to stress the benefits of multi-sport participation.

(iii) John challenged Triathlon as a sport to address some of the arguments presented against the inclusion of the sport in future Olympic programmes, i.e., Triathlon is a "yuppie sport", not available to mass participation.

(iv) Some IOC members take a purist line arguing for a focus on single events, but for instance, is Daley Thomson any less an athlete than say Edwin Moses?

(v) Triathlon must establish itself as a sport in its own right, even though there is an affinity with the single sports and with other multi-sports.

(vi) Triathlon must become known to all 94 members of the IOC.

(vii) John profiled a recent survey of sports in Australia showing in order of participation:

1. 45% of Australians SWIM
2. 21% of Australians RUN
3. 18% of Australians CYCLE
(viii) The modern Olympics are a huge affair with:

13,200 athletes and officials in Seoul
15,000 athletes and officials in Barcelona
16,000 athletes and officials in Atlanta

(ix) John encouraged all NGBs to actively promote a school or junior development programme.

c) Mr. John Coates was given a standing ovation for his presentation.

12. **ELECTION OF HONORARY PRESIDENT:**

Les McDonald, President of ITU presented a motion to elect Mr. Gunnar Ericsson, IOC, (Sweden), as the Honorary President of ITU, for his outstanding work on our behalf in acting as our coordinator, guide, mentor and friend with the IOC. The motion carried unanimously, with a standing ovation.

Madame Gunilla Lindberg, Secretary-General of the Swedish Olympic Committee replied on behalf of Mr. Gunnar Ericsson, and graciously accepted the Congress action.

13. **REGIONAL REPORTS:**

a) **Europe:** Tom O'Donnell (Ireland), President of the European Triathlon Union, reported that 26 NGBs were affiliated to ETU. IOC President Samaranch attended the European Olympic Distance Triathlon Championships in September and expressed his enthusiasm for the sport.

b) **South America** Rafael Quiroga (Chile) reported, on behalf of Regional Representative Marco Ripper (Brazil), that 13 NGBs were affiliated with the South American Triathlon Union, SATU. He indicated his intention to resolve the conflict arising from the fact that there are presently two Argentinean Triathlon bodies claiming NGB status.

c) **Asia** President Les Mcdonald reported on behalf of the Asian Triathlon Confederation. He reported that successful discussions were conducted in Beijing in June and September, 1991, which resulted in the creation of the Asian Triathlon Confederation. The new regional confederation is composed of representatives of Triathlon organizations in China, Japan, Korea, India, Hong Kong, Singapore and the Philippines. An Asian Regional Championships has been set for August '92 in Japan. The new confederation has made application for membership in the Asian Games, Hiroshima, Japan, 1994.

14. **FUTURE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS:** 1992, 1993, 1994:

a) The Canadian Organizing Committee, led by Graham Fraser, presented a video and update on the plans for the 1992 Triathlon World Championships in Muskoka, Canada.
b) Henning Muller (Germany) notified Congress that the 1993 Triathlon World Championships will be held in Nurnburg on 29 August, 1993.

c) Henning Muller notified Congress that the 1992 Duathlon World Championships that had been planned at Koblenz in June 1992 were now planned to be held in October.

d) Peter Fitzsimmonds notified Congress that the 1994 Triathlon World Championships will be held in Wellington, New Zealand, in November.

15. **ELECTIONS:**

a) **Women’s Executive Board Member:** Dr. Sarah Springman (Great Britain) was elected by acclamation.

b) **Athlete’s Executive Board Member:** Eben Jones (USA) was elected by acclamation.

c) **Credentials Committee:** Tom O’Donnell (Ireland), Marisol Casado (Spain) and Henning Muller (Germany) were elected by acclamation.

d) **Information Committee:** Mark Sisson (USA) and Walter Cortina (Austria) were elected by acclamation. (As Mark Sisson was already a member of the Constitution Committee, Ref. Chapter 9: Elections: 9.3 A person may be elected to only one office in ITU, he has subsequently resigned as a member of the Constitution Committee. Bernard St. Jean has been appointed as a member of the Constitution Committee following Mark Sisson’s resignation. This appointment is pending ratification by the Executive Board.)

e) **Audit Committee:** Tony Harnett (Canada), Jeff Konings (Belgium) and Manabu Ueda (Japan) were elected by acclamation.

16. **COMMONWEALTH GAMES REPORT:** Dr. Sarah Springman reported that:

a) Currently the Commonwealth Games is comprised of 67 nations, and whilst Triathlon was a demonstration sport in Auckland, we are not yet included on the Programme of the 1994 Games in Canada. At the 1992 Congress a decision will be made on whether team games will be included and which two sports will be added. There are two bids for the 1998 Games; Malaysia and Adelaide.

b) All NGBs in the Commonwealth are asked to contact their Commonwealth Games Associations and encourage them to support the introduction of Triathlon in the Games.

17. **WORLD UNIVERSITY GAMES:** Frank Schatz reported that:

a) The first inaugural World University Triathlon Championships will be held on August 22/23, 1992 near Darmstadt, Germany.
b) All NGBs are encouraged to foster their university Triathletes' participation in this event.

18. **OTHER BUSINESS:**

a) **MISC:** That the ITU Technical Committee be asked to examine the level of race fees for World Championships and report to the 1992 ITU Congress with a recommendation on a maximum fee.

b) **MISC** That ITU consider establishing a Youth Development Commission.

19. **ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m. It was followed by the Delegates Banquet hosted by Triathlon Australia.