

DECEASED OLYMPIC MEDALLISTS



by Ove Karlsson

The basis for this compilation is *The Golden Book of the Olympic Games* – compiled by Bill Mallon, the ISOH President, and the late Erich Kamper, mentor to many of us in the field of Olympic research. It is the reference book concerning – among other things – names (spelling) with dates of birth and (where applicable) death of Olympic medallists.

In this compilation, dates of death are, in principal, new, as compared to the book. Corrections to information in the book and/or to previous, similar compilations in our journal are marked "(cq)" behind the "new" information.

Names: Women are marked "(w)" before the names.

For women who won medals under several family names, following marriage, names are listed in chronological order.

I have not, unfortunately, had the technical possibility to include all diacritical signs, for which I apologize especially to readers from countries concerned.

As for first name(s), where known (mainly according to the results section in the *Golden Book*), only the name the athlete was actually called has been listed. Further names are listed when such names are in addition and/or correction to name(s) in the book.

Nation(s) is the nation(s) the athlete represented when winning medal(s). Abbreviations according to the IOC.

Dates of birth–death are written in the order day.month.year.

Sport: Aquatics = diving, swimming, synchronized and water polo; skating = figure

and speed; skiing = alpine, freestyle, nordic and snow boarding.

Several ISOH members (and some other colleagues), have provided data to the compilation. After each deceased medallist is an abbreviation showing the source of information.

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Thank you very much indeed for your valuable help!

Some information received have not (yet) been used because of contradictory data. Further checking, and double-checking, is necessary.

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ALEKSANDROV, Boris (URS) – 13.11.1955–31.07.2002 Ice hockey: Gold (1976) – OKa
ALMKVIST, Erland (SWE) – 02.09.1912–20.09.1999 Sailing: Silver (1952) – CJJ
ANGST, Max (SUI) – 03.07.1921–21.01.2002 Bobsleigh: Bronze (1956) – HDe
BALLA, József (HUN) – 27.07.1955–18.03.2003 Wrestling: 2 silver (1976, 1980) – AKa
BARNES, Jim (USA) – 13.04.1941–14.09.2002 Basketball: Gold (1964) – JHe
(w) BARONE, Maria (USA) – 18.03.1924–14.05.1996 Gymnastics: Bronze (1948) – HDe
BARRETT, Peter (USA) – 20.02.1935–17.12.2000 Sailing: Gold (1968), silver (1964) – HDe
(w) BAUMA, Herma (AUT) – 23.01.1915–09.02.2003 Athletics: Gold (1948) – RRe

BENNER, Huelet (USA) – 01.11.1917–???.12.1999 Shooting: Gold (1952) – RRe
(w) BERG, Jacomina van den (NED) – 28.12.1909–14.11.1995 Gymnastics: Gold (1928) – ABi
BERNARDI, Guido (ITA) – 21.09.1921–???.01.2002 Cycling: Silver (1948) – AGj
BERTHOLD, Helmut (GER) – 19.04.1911–???.2000 Handball: Gold (1936) – HDe
BIFFLE, Jerome (USA) – 20.03.1928–04.09.2002 Athletics: Gold (1952) – RRe
BLESSING, Don (USA) – 26.12.1905–04.07.2000 Rowing: Gold (1928) – JHe
BLOMQUIST, Göte (SWE) – 11.01.1928–28.02.2003 Ice hockey: Bronze (1952) – VMa
(w) BOGEN, Erna (HUN) – 31.12.1906–23.11.2002 Fencing: Bronze (1932) – AKa

- BONI, Bruno (ITA) – 13.05.1915–30.03.2003
Rowing: Bronze (1948) – G0d
- BONNEY, Raymond (USA) – 05.04.1892–
??..10.1979 Ice hockey: Silver (1920) – PHo
- BOS, Jan Justus (NED) – 28.07.1939–24.03.2003
Rowing: Bronze (1964) – ABi
- BOUWMAN, Henricus 'Henk' (NED) – 30.06.1926–
27.12.1995 Hockey: Bronze (1948) – ABi
- (w) BRAUMÜLLER, Ellen (GER) – 24.12.1910–
10.08.1991 Athletics: Silver (1932) – HDe
- BRASHER, Chris (GBR) – 21.08.1928–28.02.2003
Athletics: Gold (1956) – OKa
- BREDA, Giovanni Battista (ITA) – 21.07.1931–
13.07.1992 Fencing: Silver (1964) – HDe
- BRUMEL, Valeriy (URS) – 14.04.1942–26.01.2003
Athletics: Gold (1964), silver (1960) – OKa
- (w) BURGER, Fritzi (AUT) – 06.06.1910–16.02.1999
Skating/figure: 2 silver (1928, 1932) – HDe
- (w) BYSTROVA, Galina (URS) – 08.02.1934–
11.10.1999 Athletics: Bronze (1964) – ASe
- (w) CAMPBELL, Jeannette (ARG) – 08.03.1916–
16.01.2003 Aquatics/swimming: Silver (1936) –
OKa
- CAPUZZO, Oreste (ITA) – 07.12.1908–??..??.. 1985
Gymnastics: Gold (1932) – HDe
- (w) CAREW, Mary (USA) – 08.09.1913–12.07.2002
Athletics: Gold (1932) – JPC
- CATOR, Sylvio (HAI) – 09.10.1900–22.07.1952 (cq)
Athletics: Silver (1928) – BMa
- CHAILLOT, Louis (FRA) – 02.03.1914–28.01.1998
Cycling: Gold (1932), silver (1932), bronze
(1936) – AGj
- CHAPMAN, Charles (CAN) – 21.04.1911–
06.03.2002 Basketball: Silver (1936) – HDe
- CHOCAT, René (FRA) – 28.11.1920–18.07.2000
Basketball: Silver (1948) – HDe
- CONROY, Anthony (USA) – 18.10.1895 (cq)–
11.01.1978 (cq) Ice hockey: Silver (1920) –
PHo
- DAR, Tanvir Ahmad (PAK) – 04.06.1947–12.02.1998
Hockey: Gold (1968) – HDe
- DAY, Charles (USA) – 19.10.1916–??..11.1997
Rowing: Gold (1936) – HDe
- DIETRICH, Walter (SUI) – 24.12.1902–27.11.1979
Football: Silver (1924) – HDe
- DRÖSE, Karl (GER) – 27.12.1913–16.09.1996
Hockey: Silver (1936) – RRe
- DRURY, Herbert Joseph (cq) (USA) – 02.03.1896
(cq)–??..07.1965 Ice hockey: 2 silver (1920,
1924) – PHo
- EASTMAN, Ben (USA) – 09.07.1911–06.10.2002
Athletics: Silver (1932) – OKa
- EISENMENGER, Rudolf (AUT) – 07.08.1902–
03.11.1994 Art: Silver (1936) – ASe
- FAYAD, Mahmoud (EGY) – ??..??..1926–17.12.2002
Weightlifting: Gold (1948) – TWi
- FEDOSEYEV, Oleg (URS) – 04.06.1936–
14.06.2001 Athletics: Silver (1964) – ASe
- FEGGELEN, Rudolph van (NED) – 14.04.1924–
09.08.2002 Aquatics/water polo: Bronze (1948)
– ABi
- FERNER, Finn Christian (NOR) – 10.03.1920–
11.03.2001 Sailing: Silver (1952) – HDe
- FLYNN, James (USA) – 08.08.1907–15.08.2000
Fencing: Bronze (1948) – HDe
- FRÖLÉN, Folke (SWE) – 25.02.1908–06.11.2002
Equestrian: Gold (1952) – WLY
- (w) GALLAGHER, Kim (USA) – 11.06.1964–
18.11.2002 Athletics: Silver (1984), bronze
(1988) – OKa
- GARREBEEK, Auguste (BEL) – 10.01.1912–
20.10.1973 Cycling: Bronze (1936) – AGj
- GATHERS, Jim (USA) – 17.06.1930–08.06.2002
Athletics: Bronze (1952) – PMa
- GERAN, George 'Gerry' (cq) (USA) – 03.08.1896–
??..09.1981 (cq) Ice hockey: Silver (1920) –
BMa
- GLANCY, Harrison Smith (USA) – 17.09.1904–
22.09.2002 Aquatics/swimming: Gold (1924) –
JHe
- (w) GORCHAKOVA, Yelena (URS) – 17.05.1933–
27.01.2002 Athletics: 2 bronze (1952, 1964) –
ASe
- GRANGER, David (USA) – 26.01.1903–27.09.2002
Bobsleigh: Silver (1928) – OKa
- GRONDELAERS, Robert (BEL) – 28.02.1933–
22.08.1989 Cycling: Gold, silver (1952) – AGj
- GWYNNE, Horace 'Lefty' (CAN) – 05.10.1912–
??..04.2001 Boxing: Gold (1932) – HDe
- HALL, Winslow (USA) – 15.05.1912–??..12.1995 (cq)
Rowing: Gold (1932) – HDe
- HAMEL, René (FRA) – 14.10.1902–07.11.1992
Cycling: Gold, bronze (1924) – AGj
- HAYES, Bob (USA) – 20.12.1942–18.09.2002
Athletics: 2 gold (1964) – OKa
- HEINRICH, Ignace (FRA) – 31.07.1925– 09.01.2003
Athletics: Silver (1948) – PMa
- HOCH, Adolf (AUT) – 17.10.1910–24.05.1992 Art:
Gold (1948) – BMa
- (w) HULTÉN, Vivi-Anne (SWE) – 25.08.1911–
15.01.2003 Skating/figure: Bronze (1936) –
OKa
- IKEDA, Mitsuo (JPN) – 14.03.1935–12.09.2002
Wrestling: Gold (1956) – KTa
- ISMAYR, Rudolf (GER) – 14.10.1908–??..05.1998
Weightlifting: Gold (1932), silver (1936) – RRe
- IVCHENKO, Yevgeniy (URS) – 26.06.1938–
??..??..2000 Athletics: Bronze (1980) – ASe
- KARTOZIYA, Givi (URS) – 29.03.1929–04.04.1998
Wrestling: Gold (1956), bronze (1960) – HDe
- KAUFMANN, Heinz (GER) – 20.09.1913–??..??..2002
Rowing: Bronze (1936) – ASe
- KERESZTES, Attila (HUN) – 18.01.1928–26.09.2002
Fencing: Gold (1956) – AKa
- KREBS, Richard (GER) – 30.07.1906–29.06.1996
Athletics: Silver (1928) – HDe
- KRIVONOSOV, Mikhail (URS) – 01.05.1929–
11.11.1995 Athletics: Silver (1956) – JHe
- KRZYSZKOWIAK, Zdzistaw (POL) – 03.08.1929–
24.03.2003 Athletics: Gold (1960) – OKa

- KUZNETSOV, Viktor (URS) – 21.05.1961–???.02.1998 Aquatics/swimming: 2 silver (1980) –HDe
- LACROIX, Alphonse Albert 'Frenchy' (USA) – 21.10.1897 (cq)–12.04.1973 Ice hockey: Silver (1924) – PHo
- LARRABEE, Michael 'Mike' (USA) – 02.12.1933–22.04.2003 Athletics: 2 gold (1964) – BMa
- LARSEN, Henry (DEN) – 21.07.1916–26.09.2002 Rowing: Bronze (1948) – HDe
- LAURIE (LAURIA), Lou (USA) – 19.11.1919–26.12.2002 Boxing: Bronze (1936) – OKa
- LAUTERWASSER, Jack (GBR) – 04.06.1904 (cq)–02.02.2003 Cycling: Silver (1928) – PMA
- LECKY, John (CAN) – 29.08.1940–25.02.2003 Rowing: Silver (1960) – HDe
- LE NIZERHY, Roger (FRA) – 03.12.1916–28.01.1999 Cycling: Gold (1936) – AGj
- LICHA, Otto (AUT) – 02.11.1912–???.1996 Handball: Silver (1996) – HDe
- LITUYEV, Yuriy (URS) – 11.04.1925–02.03.2000 Athletics: Silver (1952) – ASe
- LORENZ, Carl (GER) – 17.11.1913–25.11.1993 Cycling: Gold (1936) – RRe
- LUNDBERG, Knud (DEN) – 14.05.1920–12.08.2002 Football: Bronze (1948) – OKa
- McCLUSKEY, Joseph (USA) – 02.06.1911–31.08.2002 Athletics: Bronze (1932) – JHe
- McCORMICK, Joseph Wallace (USA) – 12.08.1895 (cq)–14.06.1958 Ice hockey: Silver (1920) – PHo
- (w) MacDONALD, Irene (CAN) – 22.11.1933–20.06.2002 Aquatics/diving: Bronze (1956) – ASe
- MACIEL, Ubiratan Pereira (BRA) – 18.01.1944–17.07.2002 Basketball: Bronze (1964) – HDe
- MALIVOIRE, Bernard (FRA) – 20.04.1938–18.12.1982 Rowing: Gold (1952) – HDe
- MANDER, Peter (NZL) – 04.07.1928–???.06.1997 Sailing: Gold (1956) – HDe
- MATSBO, Martin (SWE) – 04.10.1911–06.09.2002 Skiing/nordic: Bronze (1936) – VMa
- MENEGAZZI, Aurelio (cq) (ITA) – 15.11.1900–23.11.1979 Cycling: Gold (1924) – AGj
- MENSE, Ulrich (GER [GDR]) – 29.01.1927–14.02.2003 Sailing: Silver (1964) – HDe
- MIDLER, Mark (URS) – 24.09.1931–???.2002 Fencing: 2 gold (1960, 1964) – ASe
- MILLER, David (CAN) – 15.12.1925– 08.10.1996 Ice hockey: Gold (1952) – HDe
- MOINEAU, Alain (FRA) – 15.05.1928–20.10.1986 Cycling: Bronze (1948) – AGj
- MORGAN, Lawrence (AUS) – 05.02.1918–???.08.1997 Equestrian: 2 gold (1960) – HDe
- NIMAL, Baboo Narsoo (IND) – 15.03.1908–21.02.1998 Hockey: Gold (1936) – HDe
- NOYELLE, André (BEL) – 29.11.1931–04.02.2003 Cycling: 2 gold (1952)–JHe
- PAWLAS, Zygmunt (POL) – 28.10.1930–???.06.2001 Fencing: Silver (1956) – HDe
- PERUMAL, Govind (IND) – 25.09.1925–17.09.2002 Hockey: 2 gold (1952, 1956) – JHe
- PESENTI, Guglielmo (ITA) – 18.12.1933–12.07.2002 Cycling: Silver (1956) – G0d
- (w) PETERSEN, Marga (FRG) – 18.09.1919–22.09.2002 Athletics: Silver (1952) – RRe
- PETLÁK, Vladimír (TCH) – 21.02.1946–02.02.1999 Volleyball: Bronze (1968) – HDe
- PLOOG, Richard (AUS) – ???.1936–17.07.2002 Cycling: Bronze (1956) – HDe
- POLLARD, Frederick 'Fritz' (USA) – 18.02.1915–14.02.2003 Athletics: Bronze (1936)–ASe
- QUEYROUX, René (FRA) – 22.12.1927–???.08.2002 Fencing: Bronze (1956) – HDe
- RENNEBERG, Heinz (GER [FRG]) – 29.01.1927–???.10.1999 Rowing: Gold (1960) – HDe
- RIAZ-UD-DIN (PAK) – 24.02.1942–15.01.2001 Hockey: Gold (1968)–JHe
- (w) RIGGIN, Aileen (USA) – 02.05.1906–17.10.2002 Aquatics/diving and swimming: Gold (diving 1920), silver (diving 1924), bronze (swimming 1924) – OKa
- RIGONI, Severino (ITA) – 30.10.1914–14.12.1992 Cycling: Silver (1936) – AGj
- ROBERTSON, Ronald (USA) – 25.09.1937–05.02.2000 Skating/figure: Silver (1956) – BMa
- ROCKEFELLER, James (USA) – 08.06.1902–08.08.2002 Rowing: Gold (1924) – HDe
- (w) ROTTER, Emília (HUN) – 08.09.1906–28.01.2003 Skating/figure: 2 bronze (1932, 1936)–AKa
- RUT, Tadeusz (POL) – 11.10.1931–27.03.2002 Athletics: Silver (1960) – PMA
- SANDBLOM, Philip (SWE) – 29.10.1903–21.02.2001 Sailing: Bronze (1928) – CJJ
- SCHMID, Edy (SUI) – 03.05.1911–25.09.2000 Handball: Bronze (1936) – HDe
- SCHMIDT, Herbert (GER) – 28.01.1914–18.09.2002 Rowing: Bronze (1936) – RRe
- (w) SCHMITT, Julie (GER) – 06.04.1913–10.12.2002 Gymnastics: Gold (1936) – RRe
- SINGH, Jaipal (IND) – ???.1970–???.1970 Hockey: Gold (1928) – ASe
- SINGH, Joginder (IND) – 03.08.1940–06.11.2002 Hockey: Gold (1964), silver (1960) – JHe
- SON, Kitei (JPN) = SOHN, Kee-chung (KOR) – 29.08.1912–15.11.2002 Athletics: Gold (1936) – OKa
- STADEL, Willi (GER) – 09.07.1912–23.03.1999 Gymnastics: Gold (1936) – RRe
- STAM, Hans (NED) – 02.04.1919–25.06.1996 Aquatics/water polo: Bronze (1948) – ABi
- STANKOVIC, Branislav (YUG) – 30.10.1921–20.02.2002 Football: 2 silver (1948, 1952) – HDe
- STEINMETZ, Klement (AUT) – 23.03.1915–02.05.2001 Football: Silver (1936) – HDe
- STONELEY, Crew (GBR) – 09.05.1911–27.08.2002 Athletics: Silver (1932) – IBu

- STREIB, Hans (SUI) – 20.12.1912-01.11.1989
Handball: Bronze (1936) – HDe
- SUKHARYEV, Vladimir (URS) – 10.07.1924–
30.04.1997 Athletics: 2 silver (1952, 1956) –
ASe
- (w) SVEDBERG, Ruth (SWE) – 14.04.1903–
27.12.2002 Athletics: Bronze (1928) – OKa
- SVENTEK, Stanislav (TCH) – 09.11.1930–
12.10.1998 Ice hockey: Bronze (1964) – HDe
- TEMU, Naftali (KEN) – 01.04.1945–10.03.2003
Athletics: Gold, bronze (1968) – OKa
- TONELLO, Alfred (FRA) – 11.03.1929–21.12.1996
Cycling: Bronze (1952) – AGj
- TSIKLITIRAS, Konstantin (GRE) – 30.10.1888–
10.02.1913 (cq) Athletics: Gold (1912), 2 silver
(1908), bronze (1912)– PHo
- VANDEWEGHE, Albert (USA) – 28.07.1916–
13.08.2002 Aquatics/swimming: Silver (1936) –
HDe
- VEEN, Robert van der (NED) – 26.09.1906–
18.03.1996 Hockey: Silver (1928) – ABi
- VENTUS, Josef (TCH) – 12.02.1931–???.12.2001
Rowing: 2 bronze (1960, 1964) – HDe
- VICTOR, Lucien (BEL) – 28.06.1931–17.09.1995
Cycling: Gold (1952) – AGj
- VOLLE, Walter (GER) – 18.09.1913–27.10.2002
Rowing: Gold (1936) – RRe
- WAILES, Richard (USA) – 21.03.1936–11.10.2002
Rowing: 2 gold (1956, 1960) – ASe
- WARNHOLTZ, Rudolf 'Tito' (GER) – 17.02.1906–
12.01.1993 Hockey: Silver (1936)–HDe
- WEICHERT, Konrad (GDR) – 20.03.1934–
08.02.2003 Sailing: Silver (1972), bronze
(1968)–HDe
- WEIDENBORNER, Cyril (USA) – 30.03.1891 (cq)–
26.11.1983 Ice hockey: Silver (1920) – PHo
- WERNER, Georg (SWE) – 08.04.1904– 26.08.2002
Aquatics/swimming: Bronze (1924) – CJJ
- WESTLUND, Warren (USA) – 20.08.1926–
???.02.1992 Rowing: Gold (1948) – ASe
- WHITEHEAD, Nick (GBR) – 29.05.1933–06.10.2002
Athletics: Bronze (1960) – PMA
- WIRNHIER, Konrad (FRG) – 07.07.1937–
02.06.2002 Shooting: Gold (1972), bronze
(1968) – HDe
- YUGUCHI, Eizo (JPN) – 04.07.1945–02.02.2003
Football: Bronze (1968) – KTa

Corrections/additions to previous lists of
deceased medallists in the *ISOH Journal*:

- DANEK, Ludvík (TCH)–06.01.1937–15.11.1998 (cq)
Athletics: Gold (1972), silver (1964), bronze
(1968) – HDe
- INOKUMA, Isao (JPN) – 04.02.1938–28.09.2001
(cq) Judo: Gold (1964) – KTa
- MOUILLEFARINE, Henri (FRA) – 01.08.1910–
21.07.1994 (cq) Cycling: Silver (1932) – AGj
- NIEVERGELT, Ernst (SUI) – 23.03.1910–
01.07.1999 (cq) Cycling: Silver, bronze (1936)
– AGj
- PRIESTE, Harold Haig (cq) (Harry) (USA) –
23.11.1896–15.04.2001 (cq) Aquatics/diving:
Bronze (1920) – BMa
- SINGH, Udham (IND) – 04.08.1928– 23.03.2000 (cq)
Hockey: 3 gold (1952, 1956, 1964), silver
(1960) – OKa
- VAKHONIN, Aleksey (URS) – 10.03.1935–
01.09.1993 (cq) Weightlifting: Gold (1964) –
HDe
- YACKEL, Kenneth (USA) – 05.03.1930 (cq)–
12.07.1991 (cq) Ice hockey: Silver (1952) –
HDe

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1999, No. 3/2000, No. 2/2001 and No. 3/
2002.

Mariann BRUNDAGE

On 1 February Mariann BRUNDAGE died at her home close to Santa Barbara, California. From July 1973 to May 1975 she was married to Avery BRUNDAGE who became Honorary president of the IOC after he had resigned as IOC president in 1972. Mariann BRUNDAGE was born Princess REUß and had a leading position the Organizing Committee of the Olympic Games in Munich in 1972. In the course of the preparations she got to know Avery BRUNDAGE and they were married one year after the Olympic Games. They lived together in Garmisch Partenkirchen. After BRUNDAGE'S death she moved to California where she died after a long period of suffering aged 66.

Karl Lennartz



Waleri BRUMEL

High jumper BRUMEL first came to prominence at the Rome Olympics of 1960. The favourite was the World Record holder John THOMAS (USA) but the Soviet athletes were prepared for a long competition interrupted by breaks. THOMAS was used to smaller competitions with fewer opponents and team mate Robert SCHAWLAKADSE won with 2,16m. BRUMEL was second with the same height. John THOMAS had to be satisfied with 2,14m and bronze medal. In 1962 BRUMEL became European champion. And set about improving the world record little by little. In 1963 he jumped 2,28 m in Moscow. Then in Tokyo, he became Olympic champion beating his great rival John THOMAS for the second time. Both athletes achieved clearances at 2,18m. BRUMEL was recognised as best athlete by journalists three years running, but the year following his Olympic triumph, his career was ended abruptly by a serious motorbike accident in which he sustained a compound fracture of his foot. It was regarded as almost a miracle he started again with his training. But he could not jump higher than 2,08 m; ending hopes of a serious comeback. His world record lasted 8 years. Until Pat MATZDORF (USA) cleared 2.29m in 1971 with the flop style. We do not know how high BRUMEL would have jumped if he had stayed healthy. We can compare him with the pole vaulter BUBKA. Although four years after



BRUMEL'S triumph, Dick FOSBURY (USA) developed a particular technique which was followed by almost all athletes. The *Fosbury flop* is easier to learn. Would BRUMEL have been able to adapt?

After his career as an athlete BRUMEL turned to literature and wrote numerous books and scripts for movies and theatre. Among the last named was *Dr. Nassarow* by which he set up a monument for the medicine *Ilisarow*. In 1971 he married Dr. Jelena PETUSCHKOWA who was a dressage rider and who won the gold medal in the team competition and the silver medal in the individual event in Munich. But the marriage ended in divorce.

Karl Lennartz

Giovanni AGNELLI

He was a king in a land that was a republic. Giovanni AGNELLI who died in January 2003 was a man who lived his life according to principles of hard work and libertariansim.

When he was born in March 1921, the AGNELLI family was already a dynasty in Turin. In 1935 his father Edoardo died and Giovanni knew what was expected of him. As the eldest, his grandfather Giovanni, founder of FIAT (*Fabbrica Italiana Automobili Torino*), took him in hand teaching him command and discipline.

He became an officer in the Italian Army and he drove round the United States,



discovered New York and Chicago, sailed along the Mississippi river and visited the major car manufacturers in Detroit. Italy was on the verge of war by the time he returned. He went to the Russian front and his time there was one of pain, hunger tears and despair. He returned home in 1945. His grandfather had died, there were many labour disputes and many people did not believe he had the ability to manage the family

business.

He had taken a law degree and began to be called "*Avvocato*" a nickname that would remain with him for evermore.

At FIAT meanwhile, Mr. Vittorio VALLETTA became the President and Giovanni AGNELLI learned the profession. It was a time when he enjoyed the trappings of a playboy lifestyle on the Cote D'Azur and the USA, A champagne lifestyle. He married Marella CARACCILO in November 1953. The couple had two children: Edoardo and Margherita.

In 1966, Giovanni AGNELLI persuaded Mr. VALLETTA to step aside and he became President of FIAT. The early years of his reign were not easy: wildcat strikes, all-out strikes, ... but Giovanni led the firm into "*calmer waters*" thanks to his personality, the witticisms and that charming smile...

Of course his role in sport should not be forgotten. He was President of the football team of *Juventus F.C.* from 1947 to 1954, after he became Honorary President and, obviously,

the First Supporter. Honorary Member of I.O.C. from 2000 He went to Moscow in July 2001 for the election of the current President Jacques ROGGE; he received the call along with his American friend Henry KISSINGER, to be part of "Commission 2000" to study reforms and avoid future Olympic scandal.

The news of his death on January 24, 2003 was received with genuine sorrow throughout Italy; at his funeral, two days later, the most important people in the land were present. Finally, the words of the Italian President, Carlo Azeglio CIAMPI:

"Giovanni Agnelli represented Italy in the best way. He reinforced the prestige of the nation and its standing in the world. He was always proud to be an Italian."

Giuseppe Odello

Manfred von BRAUCHITSCH

On 5 February 2003 Manfred von BRAUCHITSCH died. He is one of the most interesting characters in German sport history. Many remember him as a driver of the *Mercedes Silver Arrows*. In 1932 in his *Mercedes SSKL* he drove a world record in his class on the Avus in Berlin and won Grands Prix on the Nürburgring in 1934, in Monaco in 1937 and in Paris in 1938. After the outbreak of the World War II he emigrated to Switzerland to join his colleague Rudolf CARACCIOLA. After several months he returned to Germany where he became personal assistant to *Junkers-boss* KOPPENBERG in Dessau. In the last years of the war he held an important position in the ministry of armaments. After the Second World War he became president of the *German automobile association* from 1948 to 1950. In 1952 he took over a position in the *Committee for Unity and Freedom of Sport in Germany*. This Committee was regarded as a "Front" for a communist organization. He was arrested in May 1953 and sent to prison for eight months. After he was released he escaped to the former GDR on

The Mercedes-Benz-team during a break: von BRAUCHITSCH, SEAMAN, LANG & CARACCIOLA



New Years Eve. There he became president of the *German Olympic Society* from 1960 to 1990. As president of this organization he wrote prefaces for books on the Olympic Games. He was also responsible for securing funding for the travelling costs of the Olympic team. For his achievements he was honoured by the GDR in 1967. In 1988 he was awarded the *Olympic Order*.

Karl Lennartz

Zdzisław KRZYSZKOWIAK

At the age of 73 years Zdzisław KRZYSZKOWIAK – Polish winner of the Olympic 3.000m steeple chase in 1960 – passed away on 24 March 2003 in Warsaw. Born on 3 August 1929 in Wielichowo near Poznan, he started his career rather late: when 18 year old he competed in national events. 1956 – 27 years old – he participated in the Olympic Games in Melbourne, where he finished fourth over 10.000m, setting a Polish record of 29:00,0 min behind the Russian Wladimir Kuz, the Hungarian Jozsef KOVACS and the Australian Allen LAWRENCE. In the 3.000m steeple chase he did not qualify for the final ending up in fifth position in the first heat. The winner was Christopher W. BRASHER from Great Britain (8:41,2 min). In the European Championships 1958 in Stockholm/Sweden KRZYSZKOWIAK was first over 5.000m in 13:53,4 min and 10.000m in 28:56,0 min. On 26 June 1960 he equalized his compatriot's and European Champion's, Jerzy CHROMIK'S (*1931) world record in the 3.000m steeple chase, which was improved by the Russian Grigori TARAN on 28 May 1961, but once more optimized by



KRZYSZKOWIAK in Walcz/Poland during the same year (10.08.1961; 8:30,4 min). This record was valid for two subsequent years. During the races of the Olympic Games 1960 in Rome KRZYSZKOWIAK was successful (8:34,2 min) against the Russians Nikolai SOKOLOV (8:36,4 min) and Semyon RZHISTCHIN (8:42,4 min). Furthermore he became seventh over 10.000m.

During his 15 year's career as a long-distance runner he competed over 270 times reaching the finish line about 140 times with several interruptions caused by injuries especially 1954/55. After his career he became an athletics coach. Since 1963 he was engaged in the Polish *Olympian Club* (Klub Olimpijczyka) being responsible for the cooperation with former Olympic participants from Poland. Since 1969 he worked hard in the board of the Polish NOC (PKOl). For his achievements in Sport and the Olympic Movement he was awarded the Olympic Order.

He left his wife Krystyna, his daughters Katarzyna and Mafgorzata as well as his son Janusz.

Thomas Zawadzki



Naftali TEMU

Naftali TEMU the first Kenyan Olympic Champion has died at the age of 57. At the Olympic Games in Mexico in 1968 he won the 10.000m gold (29:27,4min) and the bronze medal in the 5.000 m (14:06.4min). Two years earlier at the British Empire and Commonwealth Games in Jamaica, he had served notice of his ability with victory in the 6 miles, beating the favourite Ron CLARKE (AUS). Injuries forced him to finish his career at the beginning of the seventies and to work as a coach. A few months ago he was found to be suffering from cancer of the prostate, but he could not afford the US\$ 600 needed for medical treatment.

Kenyan Track and Field is mourning. It is tragic that the money could not be found to help TEMU in his hour of need.

Karl Lennartz



**Naftali TEMU,
Ron CLARKE &
Mamo WOLDE**