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Press Release

Pan American Junior Individual Championships La Habana, Cuba 2017

In Day Four of the Competition, the United States and Brazil take the Gold

La Habana, March 5, 2017: In this season the weather in Havana remains cool and partly cloudy but this Sunday some rain has cooled down the capital city of the island. However, the weather at the Championship venue is getting warmer. In fact, the young talents of the continental region of America support and celebrate their compatriots in their combats, creating an atmosphere full of human warmth, standing out the development of the fencing quality of the member countries of the Pan American Confederation. This shows that work planning and its systematic development are the way to success as demonstrated in this event whose podiums have been more diverse in the awards ceremonies.



The Venue of the Pan American Championship of Havana, Cuba 2017 as it gets ready for Action









The final bout of the Junior Men's Epée was fighted between Wesley JOHNSON of the United States and Yordano de la Caridad SUAREZ SANTIUSTE of Cuba, with the victory for JOHNSON by score of 15 to 7, nevertheless, previous to this score is the final of the Cadets category in which SUAREZ SANTIUSTE obtained a bronze medal, reason why the second medal for the host country, silver in this case, has obtained by the same young boy who has given a chair of value when surpassing itself in a Major category. The bronzes went to Eduardo GARCIA of Peru and Oliver SHINDLER of the United States.



JOHNSON of the USA and SUAREZ SANTIUSTE de Cuba



Protocolary Awards Ceremony Individual Junior Men's Epée

The Individual Junior Women's Foil Contest had a "Carioca" final bout in which the Gold went to Gabriela CECCHINI, beating 15 - 12 to compatriot Mariana PISTOIA, both from Brazil. Also the bronzes were for the Chilean Arantza INOSTROZA and the North American Morgan PARTRIDGE highlighting the growth of Brazil and Chile and the traditional strength of the United States.



The Carioca Women's Individual Junior Final



Protocolary Awards Ceremony of the Junior Women's Foil





In the Junior Individual Men's Saber, Khalil THOMPSON of the United States beat Pablo TROCHEZ of Colombia with a score of 15 to 13 taking the gold in a closed and exciting bout in which both fencers demonstrated their tactical skills on the piste. The Bronzes were won by Karol METRYKA of the United States and Hansel Julián RODRIGUEZ MARTINEZ of Cuba.



TROCHEZ and THOMPSON in the final of the Junior Men's Individual Sabre



Celebration of the United States Team



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