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1. Greetings from the President.



Arnulf Wahlstrom

New this year was the organization of the European classic PL for Masters. This is the first time the EPF organize Europeans for this category, but the championship turned out to be a big success with a high number of lifters competing.

The Swedish PF organized a great championship in Helsingborg's biggest venue, but lack of sponsorship or Government support caused the federation a big economic loss.

The streaming was organized by a Swedish company with high quality.

Next year the Swedish PF will organize the World Classic championships in the same area and a huge number of lifters and officials will take part. The organizer expect good support from the city government to bring the organization in economic balance.

At the General Assembly in Pilsen, a new EPF treasurer was elected. Xavier de Puytorac from France replaced Linda Hoeiland from Norway.

Puytorac is a cat.1 referee and chairman for the powerlifting section in the France federation. He has long experience from international and national powerlifting and should be a strong support to the EPF administration.

Linda Hoeiland did an extraordinary good job throughout 3 years in the EPF board with both treasurer and strategic work.

A big thank you to Linda!

2. EPF General Assembly 2018.

22 nations took part at the General Assembly in Pilsen.

Reports, election of new Treasurer and some rules changes were on the agenda.

3 candidates offered their services as treasurer and at the end **Xavier de Puytorac** from France received the majority votes by 1 to **Björn Astad** from Norway. **Tero Hyttinen** from Finland was the third candidate.

The Bylaws was amended to state that a federation must send 2 referees if they take part with 15 lifters or more in an European championships.

New is a rules change that all lifters and officials are bound to stay in the competition hotel during their championship participation.

3. EPF Hall of Fame.

At the General Assembly, **Heidi Hille Arnesen** from Norway and **Phillip Richard** from Great Britain was honoured EPF Hall of Fame awards.

This award is given to persons based on their good performances during many years and being good ambassadors or role models for the powerlifting sport. Congratulation to both!



Xavier de Puytorac.
New EPF treasurer.

4. Doping tested lifters at the European Classic Cup in Malaga 2017.

Last name	First name	Weight-class	Nat.	Remarks
Dziamyanau	Aleksandr	105	Belarus	Random
Weissenberg	Isabella von	72	Sweden	WRO sq.



Heidi Hille Arnesen from Norway.
Awarded EPF Hall of Fame.

Eriksson	Alexander	74	Sweden	WRJ tot.
Hedlund	Gustav	93	Sweden	ERJ tot

All tests are reported negative!

5. Doping tested lifters at the European Masters Classic Powerlifting Championships 6-10 March in Sweden.

First name	Last name	Nation	Weight-class	Remarks
Abi	Graham	GBR	63 M1	ERM1 TOT
Monica	Rasmussen	NOR	63M1	ERM1 SQ
Eno	Majomi	GBR	72M1	ERM1 SQ
Tracy	O'Callaghan	GBR	84+M1	ERM1 SQ
Slawomir	Sledz	POL	59M1	ERM1 SQ BP
Mickael	Bernard	FRA	66M1	ER BP
Miklos	Fekete	HUN	93M1	1. PL
Christian	Klotz	AUT	93M1	ER BP
Janne	Salmela	SWE	105M1	ER DL
Marek	Vahi	EST	120M1	ER TOT
Pavol	Demcak	CZA	120M1	ER BP
Jaroslav	Soukal	CZA	120+M1	ER SQ BP TOT
Oleg	Kalibkin	RUS	120+M1	ER SQ
David	Gray	GBR	66M2	ER DL



Richard Phillip from Great Britain.
Awarded EPF Hall of Fame.

6. Doping tested lifters at the European Classic Cup in Belarus 23-25 March.

Last name	First name	Weight-class	Nat.	Remarks
Asatryan	Arthur	-105	ARM	Random BP
Ramanauskaite	Dolora	-63	LIT	ER D/L
Varabyou	Aliaksandr	-74	BLR	1st Place
Valciukas	Egidijus	-59	LIT	World/European J SQ Record
Paulauskas	Amandas	-120	LIT	World/European BP Record

7. Doping tested lifters at the European Open/J/SJ Powerlifting Championships 6-12 May 2018

First name	Last name	Nation	Weight-class	Remarks
Soley	Jonsdottir	ISD	84+SJ	ER SQ
Nojus	Cypas	LIT	66 SJ	ER DL
Viktor	Holinei	UKR	120+SJ	ER, SQ, TOT
Vladislav	Chorny	UKR	74 J	ER SQ
Matilda	Vilmar	SWE	63 J	ER SQ
Danylo	Kovalov	UKR	105 J	ER BP
Dariusz	Wszola	POL	59	ER M1
Hassan	El Belghiti	FRA	66	ER M1 SQ, DL
Daniela	Kolesnik	RUS	52	ER



Eva Meyer from Hungary passed the Cat. I referee examination during the European Classic Masters in Helsingborg

Antonina	Marchenko	UKR	72	ER
Anastasiia	Putilina	RUS	72	ER J
Yevheniia	Tishakova	UKR	84	ER SQ
Daria	Efimtseva	RUS	84+	ER SQ SJ
Viktor	Leskovets	UKR	105	WR BP

8. Balkan cup.

Invitation for the Balkan cup is now issued at the EPF web. The date is 12-14 October.

This is a new competition for lifters from Bulgaria, Croatia, Greece, Romania, Slovenia, Serbia and Turkey.

The Serbian PF has worked hard to prepare this competition and has achieved Government support.

EPF and sponsors have donated IPF material to secure that only IPF approved material will be used at the podium and in the warming up.

This is the first international powerlifting competition organized in Serbia and if successful, the Balkan cup will be organized yearly.



Jury table at the European Classic Masters: *Alex Mathiesen* (GB), *Ola Arvidsson* (SWE), *Jean-Paul Belmas* (FRA).
Far right: *Myriam Busselot* (EPF technical chair.)



Dietmar Wolf (left) has coached Norwegian lifters to great success in about 20 years. But from 2018, he has switched to be the head coach of Germany. Here he is coaching the German lifter Max Lochsmidt during the European equipped in Pilsen.



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