

2023 CU Operation Report

PANAMERICAN TAEKWONDO UNION



Highlights of 2023

PATU achieved its primary goal of offering transparency, fairness, and opportunities to all the countries

The number of events in the region increased substantially, and our Education Program too.

Great projects were successfully developed and delivered, such as keep supporting the International Taekwondo Tournament in La Havana, Cuba, with a joint effort of many sports institutions, WT and PATU included.

2023 has been a year of challenging endless work.

We have managed to ensure that the Panam American area has many athletes in high positions in world rankings

List of CU-Promoted Championships

FEBRUARY, CANADA OPEN



FEBRUARY, CLASIFICATORY CENTRAL AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN GAMES 2023



FEBRUARY, COSTA RICA, PANAM SERIES I



MARCH, CLASIFICATORY PANAMERICAN GAMES 2023



MARCH, PANAM SERIES II, BRASIL



MARCH, US OPEN



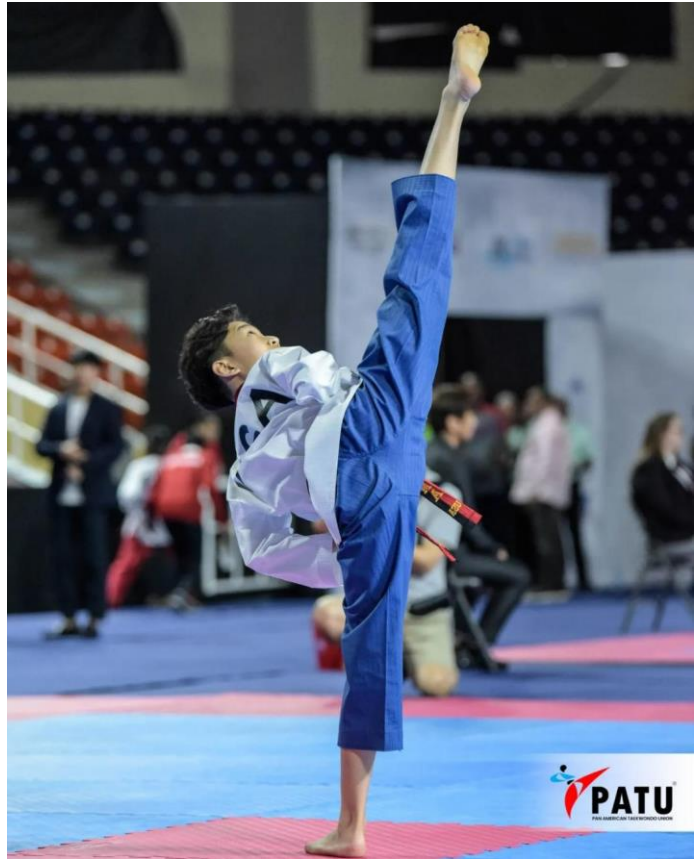
APRIL, PANAMERICANO CADETE AND JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP



APRIL, PANAMERICAN TEAM KYORUGUI CHAMPIONSHIP



APRIL, DOMINICAN OPEN



JUNE, COSTA RICA OPEN



JULY, CENTRAL AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN GAMES REP DOMINICANA



SEPTEMBER, ARGENTINA OPEN



SEPTEMBER, PRESIDENTS CUP BRASIL



OCTOBER, HAVANA OPEN CUBA



OCTOBER, PANAMERICAN GAMES CHILE



OCTOBER, PARA PANAMERICAN GAMES CHILE



NOVEMBER, PANAMERICAN YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP PERU



NOVEMBER, PERU OPEN



EDUCATION PROGRAM

JANUARY, MEXICO. PANAMERICAN POOMSAE SEMINAR



JANUARY, MEXICO. PANAMERICAN KYORUGUI REFEREES SEMINAR



JANUARY, MEXICO. PANAMERICAN TECHNICAL CONGRESS 2023



SEPTEMBER, MEXICO. PANAMERICAN POOMSAES CAMP



SEPTEMBER, ARGENTINA. SOUTH AMERICAN POOMSAES SEMINAR



SEPTEMBER, BRASIL. PANAMERICAN POOMSAES REFEREE SEMINAR



List of Major CU Meetings and Outcomes

1. PATU Administration Meetings
2. PATU Executive Council Meetings
3. PATU Council Meetings
4. Active Committees and functional proposals (Education, Development, Juridical, Games, Integrity, Referee, Finance. Para Taekwondo, Medical, Athletes, Technical and more PATU Committee Meetings.
5. MNA Technical work meetings with High Performance Representatives for all nations.

Para Taekwondo Activities

In regards to Para Taekwondo, President Juan Manuel Lopez has been very careful and respectful in the steps to follow. Mexico and Brazil are World ladder, but countries like Costa Rica and others are improving their potential, he has aimed to bring other developing countries to an even level where they can face any adversity.

Actions were taken like Development of the ParaTaekwondo Championships as a stand-alone competition, but also merging national teams involved. And Open information and help for countries to start finding new athletes and developing their own national classifiers



Development & Social Contributions

The mayor Social Contribution of PATU to the world is the creation of THF Pan America, together with the support programs for the Cuban Taekwondo Federation. PATU has made a big step by investing and overseeing the development of logistics for the Havana Open. We faced trouble as lack of paper, food, antibiotics. Still, the committed team was always ready to help the Cuban Taekwondo Federation in any possible way.

Even the Medical Team for the event donated all the remaining material for Cuban athletes in their recovery paths. On the other hand, THF Pan America.

Challenges

In the process of maintaining sports development, which we have reached for all our members, we come up with the following:

Having accomplished to create an administrative model so the MNAs can find fairness, concern, transparency, and trustworthiness, we will work to improve this method.

Looking to create better options, taking into consideration disparity of the currencies in the region.

Keeping and improving communication between the President's Office and all PATU members.

Knowing we should standardize requirements and costs of international events, we need to take into consideration different realities of the countries that are active members, which force us to make adjustments on behalf of their needs.

Having registration and developing systems that are not native English speakers.

Complexity of calendarization for the year ahead.

Major Projects in 2024

The major projects of PATU with all its challenges will be to give continuity to the endeavors started in 2023.

Great ideas traduced into projects and projects brought to reality like the Havana Open.

Sports goals to proof the international scenario that Taekwondo is here to stay by adding the Team Kyorugui event to Pan American Games aiming to qualify as many athletes' as possible to the 2024 Paris Olympic Games through ranking.

Continue to develop PATU12 and parallel initiatives.

2024 will be a very busy year for the Continental Union by hosting new types of championships for the region, testing events that give the same opportunity to all the athletes

President Juan Manuel Lopez's vision for the Continent is far from being achieved yet.

Excellence is not an option, but a way to live and serve.

