



International Boxing Research Organization

WELCOME TO IBRO

IBRO exists to provide a vehicle for individuals interested in boxing research to communicate these interests; to facilitate their research; to coordinate research activities and to provide a means of meeting others who share these specialized interests.

Boxing is a sport that has worldwide popularity at both amateur and professional levels. However, accurate historical records are sorely lacking. It is intended that through IBRO an accurate collection, organization and dissemination of information about the sport will occur.

WHAT'S PLANNED

Initially, plans are for a bi-monthly newsletter and an annual journal of members' articles. Future plans include an annual meeting (or regional meetings). Also planned in coordination are research activities whereby an organized committee of researchers can actively compile accurate records using local resources. This aspect of IBRO would be strictly voluntary.

WHATS' BEEN DONE

Preliminary contacts have been made with 15 individuals in the United States and England. 13 of these individuals have expressed an interest in this type of organization. In addition, they have recommended 20 other individuals worldwide whom they feel would also be interested including people from Australia, Italy, Japan and Poland. I have not as yet contacted those people.

Mention of IBRO in the April Newsletter of the Society for American Baseball Research (SABR) has brought 7 additional responses to date.

An application for tax-exempt non-profit organization status has been filed with the Internal Revenue Service.

An interest bearing checking account has been opened in the name of The International Boxing Research Organization (IBRO).

Membership cards are being printed.

WHAT'S NEEDED

Unfortunately, the diverse geographical locations of prospective members make an organizational meeting an impossibility. Consequently, much of the organization's business will initially have to be conducted by mail.

PLEASE REPLY BY JUNE 15, 1982 WITH:

1. Approval of the proposed constitution or suggestions for amendments. (Note that some changes have been made to the original draft based upon the suggestions of Mr. Luckett Davis, Mr. Bill Schutte and Mr. Bob Davids).

Constitution Approved Yes _____ No _____

2. Nomination for Officers

President _____

Vice-President _____

Secretary _____

Treasurer _____

Since you probably do not know most of the prospective members, please do not hesitate to nominate yourself.

3. Payment of Dues.

Please make checks payable to IBRO. Dues will be used to defray the costs of bulletins, annual journals, and postage and membership cards. Dues are \$15 and will be for the year ending June 30, 1983.

4. Suggestions and contributions for future bulletins

Future bulletins will contain articles by members, background data about members. Exchange corner - member's requests for information, collecting interests, etc. An official membership list and a trivia quiz. Please include any material that you wish to appear in the next issue of the newsletter.

John Grasso

TRIVIA QUIZ # 1

PROFESSIONAL BOXING

- 1) THERE HAVE BEEN 15 CHAMPIONS THROUGH 1980 WHOSE NICKNAME WAS "KID". HOW MANY CAN YOU NAME?
- 2) JOE LOUIS ENDED THE RING CAREER OF WHAT 5 BOXERS?
- 3) WHAT HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION BOXED HIS FIRST 17 PROFESSIONAL BOUTS IN LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY?
- 4) THERE HAVE BEEN VERY FEW KNOCKOUTS SCORED IN ONE ROUND OR LESS. ONLY ONE WAS SCORED BY A MAN WHO LATER BECAME WORLD CHAMPION. WHO WAS HE?
- 5) WHO KNOCKED OUT SIX OPPONENTS IN ONE NIGHT?

PAN-AMERICAN GAMES

- 6) WHAT COUNTRY WON THE CHAMPIONSHIP IN EVERY WEIGHT CLASS DURING ONE PAN-AMERICAN GAMES?
- 7) IN THE PAN-AMERICAN GAMES CONTESTED IN 1951-1979 ONLY 4 COUNTRIES HAVE OVERALL WINNING RECORDS. CAN YOU NAME THEM?
- 8) ONLY ONE PAN-AMERICAN GAMES CHAMPION HAS WON A WORLD'S PROFESSIONAL BOXING CHAMPIONSHIP? WHO IS HE?
- 9) WHO IS THE ONLY THREE-TIME PAN-AMERICAN GAMES CHAMPION?
- 10) WHAT PAN-AMERICAN GAMES CONTESTANT WAS DISQUALIFIED FOR BITING? (HINT - HE LATER CHALLENGED FOR THE WORLD'S HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP).

ANSWERS WILL APPEAR IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE IBRO NEWSLETTER.

QUESTIONS 1-5 WERE TAKEN FROM 505 BOXING QUESTIONS YOUR FRIENDS CAN'T ANSWER.
QUESTIONS 6-10 ARE BASED ON A CURRENT RESEARCH PROJECT OF MINE.

**CONSTITUTION OF THE
INTERNATIONAL BOXING RESEARCH ORGANIZATION**

ARTICLE 1 – NAME

- A. THE ORGANIZATION SHALL BE KNOWN AS THE INTERNATIONAL BOXING RESEARCH ORGANIZATION AND SHALL HEREINAFTER BE REFERRED TO AS THE ORGANIZATION.**

ARTICLE 11 – OBJECTIVES

- A. TO ESTABLISH AN ACCURATE HISTORY OF BOXING.**
- B. TO COMPILE COMPLETE AND ACCURATE BOXING RECORDS.**
- C. TO FACILITATE THE DISSEMINATION OF BOXING INFORMATION.**
- D. TO COOPERATE IN SAFEGUARDING INDIVIDUAL RESEARCH EFFORTS OF MEMBERS BY APPLICATION OF THE RULES OF SCHOLARY RESEARCH.**

ARTICLE 111 - MEMBERSHIP

- A. MEMBERSHIP SHALL BE OPEN TO THOSE WHO HAVE AN INTEREST IN BOXING RESEARCH, STATISTICS OR HISTORY.**
- B. MEMBERS SHALL BE ACCORDED ALL PRIVILIGES TO WHICH MEMBERSHIP SHALL NORMALLY ENTITLE THEM, INCLUDING BULLETINS, ANNUAL PUBLICATIONS, AND ANY OTHER BENEFITS THE ORGANIZATION SHALL OBTAIN OR PROVIDE.**
- C. ONE MAY BECOME A MEMBER OF THE ORGANIZATION BY THE PAYMENT OF DUES.**
- D. THE MEMBERSHIP YEAR SHALL BE FROM JULY 1ST THROUGH JUNE 30TH.**
- E. ANY MEMBER WHO FAILS TO ABIDE BY THE OBJECTIVES OR ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS CONSTITUTION SHALL BE SUBJECT TO EXPULSION.**

ARTICLE IV – FINANCES

- A. DUES SHALL BE \$15 ANNUALLY.**
- B. ALL MONEYS RECEIVED BY THE ORGANIZATION SHALL GO DIRECTLY INTO THE ORGANIZATION'S TREASURY AND SHALL BE USED TO DEFRAY THE COST OF PUBLICATIONS, BULLETINS AND ANY OTHER EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE ORGANIZATION.**

**CONSTITUTION OF THE
INTERNATIONAL BOXING RESEARCH ORGANIZATION (CONTINUED)**

ARTICLE V – OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

- A. THE OFFICERS SHALL INCLUDE A PRESIDENT, A VICE-PRESIDENT, A SECRETARY AND A TREASURER. THEY SHALL TAKE OFFICE ON JULY 1ST OF EACH YEAR AND HOLD OFFICE UNTIL THE CONCLUSION OF THE FISCAL YEAR.**
- B. ELECTION OF OFFICERS SHALL BE BY MAJORITY VOTE OF THE MEMBERSHIP.**
- C. THE OFFICERS SHALL CONSTITUTE THE ORGANIZATION’S EXECUTIVE BOARD AND BE RESPONSIBLE FOR HANDLING ALL BUSINESS.**
- D. WHATEVER COMMITTEES ARE DEEMED NECESSARY TO THE OPERATION OF THE ORGANIZATION SHALL BE ORGANIZED ON A VOLUNTARY BASIS.**

ARTICLE VI – BY-LAWS

- A. THE ORGANIZATION MAY ADOPT BY-LAWS TO CARRY OUT THE OPERATION OF THE ORGANIZATION AND THESE ORIGINAL BY-LAWS SHALL BE RATIFIED BY THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF TWO-THIRDS OF THOSE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE. FURTHER BY-LAW CHANGES MAY BE MADE BY A PROCESS SET FORTH IN THE BY-LAWS.**

ARTICLE VII – AMENDMENTS

- A. THIS CONSTITUTION MAY BE AMENDED BY THE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE OF TWO-THIRDS OF THOSE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE.**

ARTICLE VIII – DISSOLUTION

- A. IF THE ORGANIZATION SHOULD EVER BE COMPELLED TO DISSOLVE, ALL OBLIGATIONS SHALL BE SATISFIED. THE REMAINING ASSETS, IF ANY, SHALL BE GIVEN TO THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS. OR, IN THE EVENT THAT A PORTION OR ALL OF SAID ASSETS HAS BEEN CONTRIBUTED TO THE ORGANIZATION BY MEMBER (S), THE SAME SHALL BE RETURNED TO THE MEMBER (S), IF HE SO DESIRES.**