

PHILATELIC NEWSLETTER VOLLEYBALL

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Introduction

For many years I have been looking for information where in Paris the first **indoor** World Championship was held.

Till I found a poster of it on the website <http://volaren.nl> a "meeting" point from ex Dutch internationals (men & women).

As a poster was often the only possibility – in that time – to ask attention for an event I looked for other years and I found some others.

This is why other world championships are mentioned too, also because the information on internet is not always correct.

Prague 1949 (Czechoslovakia)



The 1st championship was held in the unsheltered Winter stadium (Zimní stadión) "Štvanice". Štvanice is/was an island in the wider center of Prague.

The stadium was built in 1930/31 and demolished in 2011.

The matches were played on clay. There was not any postal attention.

USSR did not accept the participation of Yugoslavia for political reasons.

The poster was used as front page of the book from Mauro Gilardi – Philatelic postal history of the volleyball world championships 1947 – 2010.

http://www.todor66.com/volleyball/World/Men_1949.html

<http://poland2014.fivb.org/en/news/1949-soviet-union-win-inaugural-world-championships?id=45546>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BudnP6ly6M>



Teams CSSR with Josef Brož as flag bearer



Teams USSR with Konstatin Reva as flag bearer



CSSR – Poland
15-7; 15-3; 15-2

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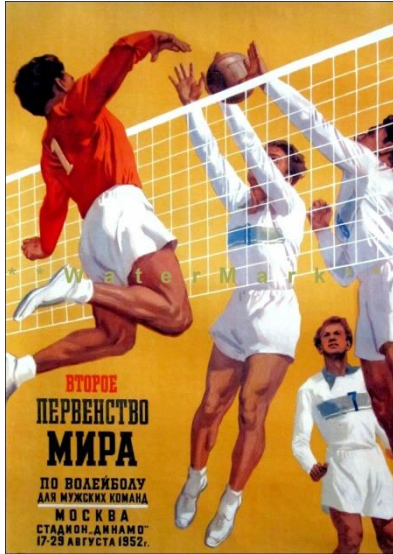
Moscow 1952 (USSR)

The 2nd championship was held in the football (soccer) stadium of Dynamo (Стадион Динамо).

Before the western and eastern tribune, two playgrounds (with clay) were built and 56,000 spectators watched the finals.

The stadium was built in 1928 and demolished in 2008.

There was not any postal attention.

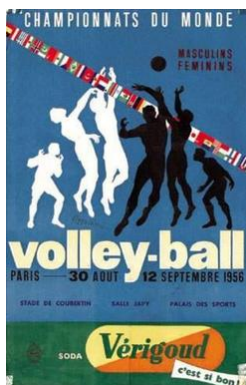


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http://todor66.com/volleyball/World/Men_1952.html
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http://fcdin.com/news/220-stadion_dinamo_fotoistoriya
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Paris 1956 (France)



The 3rd World Championship was held from Thursday August 30 till Wednesday September 12.

Stade (Pierre) de Coubertin

The sports hall had three accommodations in one. One with a large public gallery. A second one with a smaller public gallery and the third one where four volleyball courts were expanded.

The framework was more or less the same as where the Grand Slams of tennis are played nowadays.

The sports hall was built in 1936/37 and renovated in 1946.

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Linoleum was laid down as floor covering on a concrete floor.

Both Dutch teams played all their matches here.

According to the website from Todor Krastev (<http://www.todor66.com>) Sep 4 and Sep 7 were rest days for men and women.

In the entrance hall a temporary post office was situated where a cancel of that day could be obtained.

<https://surlatouche.fr/naissance-stade-pierre-de-coubertin/>



USSR – Romania



USSR – Korea
with a jumping Reva



Romania - Bulgaria

Salle Japy

Japy was a covered market in the 11th district of Paris, the "Japy market", (from 1870) and transformed into a gymnasium in 1884.

It seems that no matches were played there but that it was in use as training facility. But not any confirmation has been found.

Vel d'Hiv



The Vel d'Hiv (Vélodrome d'Hiver) was built in 1910 and renovated in 1931 when it got an ice rink of 60 x 30 meters and became suitable for ice hockey. It was also renamed in "**Palais des Sports** de Grenelle", but its former name remain in use.

In 1959 the building was sold and demolished.

It seems to me that the "finals" were played on Sep 11 and 12 here.

http://www.todor66.com/volleyball/World/Men_1956.html

http://www.todor66.com/volleyball/World/Women_1956.html

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The magazine Le Monde des Philatelistes from **October** 1956 mentions the cancel under the article Oblitérations Temporaires (Temporary cancellations). In which way collectors of cancellations were informed by La Poste is unknown so far but on Sep 20, **2016** La Poste wrote: Cancellations of temporary offices can be obtained at the end of the event within 8 weeks after its closure.

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OBLITÉRATIONS TEMPORAIRES

par Robert GEOFFROY (1)

<p>Exposition Philatélique. Foire aux Vins. 18 au 20 mai 1947</p>  <p>496 Macon 71-5</p> <p>3^e Congrès du Syndicat National du M.R.U. - C.G.T. 20 au 24 mai 1947</p> 	<p>Inauguration du Cimetière de Morette. Plateau des Glières. 25 mai 1947</p>  <p>501 Thônes 74-5</p> <p>Exposition Philatélique 25 et 26 mai 1947</p> 	<p>1956 (suite)</p> <p>Les Vingt-Quatre Heures du Mans 28 et 29 juillet 1956</p>  <p>1655 Le Mans .. 72-24</p> <p>XII^e Congrès de la Fédération Internationale des Femmes diplômées des Universités 1^{er} au 10 août 1956</p>	<p>Championnats du monde de Volley-Ball 30 août au 12 sept. 1956</p>  <p>1660 Paris 00-232</p> <p>Foire Européenne Type 518 - 67-6 30 août au 18 sept. 1956 1661 Strasbourg . 67-29</p>	<p>Conseil de l'Europe 15 septembre 1956</p>  <p>1666 Strasbourg . 67-30</p> <p>XI^e Fêtes de la Vigne 15 et 16 septembre</p> 
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Sep 1



Sep 2



Sep 3



Sep 4



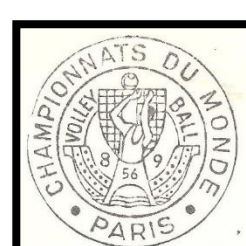
Sep 5



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Sep 7



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Sep 9



Sep 10

Sep 11

Sep 12

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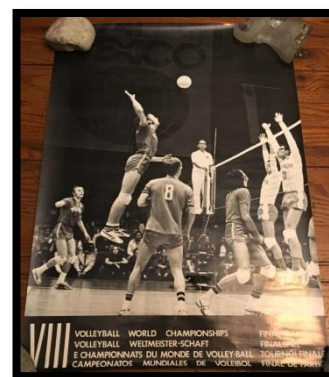
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Poster from Mexico 1974