



**PERPETUAL CALENDAR  
FOR A FAIR PLAY WORLD**

**FAIR PLAY IS EVERY DAY**

# FAIR PLAY IS PRACTICED ON A DAILY BASIS. AND IT'S EVERYONE'S CONCERN!

Kathleen Monseu, Jennifer Thienpont and Thibault De Rijdt, the authors of this perpetual calendar, have been committed for many years to the noble mission pursued by Panathlon Wallonie-Bruxelles: to restore the most beautiful colours to sports. All three of them, present throughout the year in sports fields as well as in schools and society, know that the defence and promotion of the positive values conveyed by sports can take many shapes. This proves that Fair Play, a serious and universal concept, can be attractive, playful, and accessible.

Therefore, whether we are athletes, coaches, referees, supporters, volunteers, leaders, teachers, physical education instructors, school principals, parents, public officials, public institutions... we can all act at our level to make Fair Play the norm in sports practice, in all its forms.

With the help of Panathlonian clubs, European Fair Play Movement and International Fair Play Committee they have formulated the 365 initiatives in this calendar in a way that everyone can take ownership of them, bring them to life, and multiply them. Each day offers 1 concrete example accompanied by an illustration or a QR code to scan, leading to additional information. This work has further confirmed that Fair Play is practiced on all life's fields, across all continents.

One small clarification: for the sake of readability, the authors have favoured the use of masculine forms in referring to the mentioned actors. This is certainly not meant to minimize the role of women in the sports world, as gender equality is more than ever at the heart of the concerns of World Fair Play Day's partner institutions.

Enjoy!



## PHILIPPE HOUSIAUX

**President of the Panathlon Wallonie-Bruxelles  
and the European Fair Play Movement**




**Fair Play should be an everyday thing: The proof is in the pudding.**

This “perpetual calendar”, dedicated to the way in which we are never short of ideas when it comes to taking practical action in all areas of sport and life, is an absolute first in the history of the way we like to pass on to others the values that make up the strength and richness of the spirit of sport. And these values of respecting our opponent, the camaraderie that goes beyond the dimension of one person or team playing another, accepting defeat with good grace and being modest in victory can all be found in this universal word: FAIR PLAY.

First and foremost, all of the hard work carried out by the Panathlon Wallonie-Bruxelles (assisted by the Panathlon International, the International Fair

Play Committee and the European Fair Play Movement) in order to bring together initiatives from all over the world that are undoubtedly worthy of featuring both in this work promoting Fair Play and on its Internet platform (<https://worldfairplayday.org>) deserve our full recognition. But in particular, each person and party within the broad and composite world of sport must make it their “duty” to disseminate, nourish and enrich Fair Play so that this collective work is able to develop and come into being at any location where sport is practised and enjoyed, while firmly rejecting the devious conduct that sullies the spirit of sport and - worse still - falsifies and distorts its results.



We are well aware of this, but it is the kind of information that needs to be repeated over and over again: the sportsmen and women of the world are the “great state”, governed by as many rules as there are sports; and these rules apply wherever there is a process created by local, regional, national, continental and global clubs and federations, and above all, where they are united around the same values. As a consequence, this amazing world has some very serious commitments to make in order to ensure that the application of these values “rubs off” on their various societies, families, elected representatives and governments.

Now more than ever, sport can and must accept that it is a vehicle for peace through the application of these voluntary forms of conduct. That is probably the most noble objective of this “perpetual calendar”: to give everyone the tools they need to make our planet a FAIR PLAY world.

So, without delay and wherever Worlds of Sport may exist, let’s spread the Fair Play word and apply these first 365 practical ideas. Fair Play is more than just a mere drop of water in the ocean: it is the life source that we need to feed and nurture a different World.



**Philippe Housiaux**

President of the Panathlon Wallonie-Bruxelles and  
the European Fair Play Movement



## JENO KAMUTI

**President of the International Fair Play Committee**



Dear Friends of Fair Play,

I am delighted that we have been celebrating Fair Play together for many years. For us, the International Fair Play Committee, the organisation which celebrates its 60 years birthday since its foundation, is especially important that not only athletes hear and know about Fair Play, but also the wider society.

Some Fair Play acts, thanks to the media reach many people, at the same time we exactly know that good Fair Play acts are being taken every day all around the world.

CIFP, together with the 3 other organisations would like to make people aware of more exemplary Fair Play acts. One of the ways to promote it is to publish Fair Play acts on each day of the year, received and gathered from all around the world. I hope that our activities can motivate more and more people to think over some situation and make Fair Play acts.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Jeno Kamuti".

**Jeno Kamuti**

President of the International Fair Play Committee



## PIERRE ZAPPELLI

### President of the Panathlon International

Exhibiting Fair Play to the detriment of one's own performance, reporting errors of judgement or stopping to help an opponent are rare and praiseworthy gestures and deserve recognition more than any other.

It is first and foremost through education that one learns how to exercise Fair Play.

Panathlon International is committed to this educational task, enshrined in the Olympic Charter, not only through the action undertaken by the management, but also and especially through the efforts deployed by some 300 Panathlon International Clubs scattered across the four continents, by disseminating the Charters of Fair Play, of the rights of children in sport and of the duties of parents in sport, as well as through events involving athletes and their families.

In addition, together with the organisations promoting the World Fair Play Day (CIFP-EFPM-PCWB), efforts have been made to inspire people to respect the principles of Fair Play: there is no better way than by emphasizing achievements, excellent and admirable gestures. The initiative to create a Calendar goes precisely in this direction: 365 examples of Fair Play initiatives and acts to highlight the positive values of sport.

Long life to World Fair Play Day and projects that can improve sport, our society and new generations!



**Pierre Zappelli**

President of the Panathlon International

A close-up photograph of two hands shaking in a firm, confident grip. The hands are positioned centrally, with fingers interlaced. The lighting is warm and golden, creating a sense of trust and agreement. The background is a solid, light yellow color. At the top of the image, there is a row of black spiral binding holes, suggesting the image is on a notebook page.

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**DAY 1**

## **USE AND SHARE THE PERPETUAL CALENDAR FOR A FAIR PLAY WORLD**

This calendar serves as a fresh tool for promoting the positive values of sports. It is available online at [www.worldfairplayday.org](http://www.worldfairplayday.org).

Make the most of it so that these examples and admirable actions can multiply at all levels of sports practice.





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DAY 244

## SPREAD THE VALUES OF SPORT BY USING THE INTERNATIONAL FAIR PLAY PASSPORT

Sport's universal values call for a universal tool to share them.



**BEING FAIR PLAY MEANS** raising awareness about this passport.

**FOLLOW THEIR EXAMPLE :** The “International Passport of Fair Play” started its remarkable journey on June 3, 2023, from the International Olympic Academy in Ancient Olympia, Greece. It carried the universal message of the Olympic values to the world.

The International Passport of Fair Play was introduced at the Pierre de Coubertin Monument in the IOA stadium, surrounded by the flags of all IOC members.



