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Albert Temaititahio médaille d'or © Patrick PONS

FOURTEENTH PACIFIC GAMES IN NEW CALEDONIA

In front of more than ten thousand spectators, President Nicolas Sarkozy officially opened the fourteenth Pacific Games, the event's new name. New Caledonian swimmer Diane Bui Duyet, holder of an impressive record of 32 gold medals from 1991, 1995, 1999, 2003, and 2007, lit the flame in a cauldron shaped like a nautilus. As in 2007, twenty-two countries took part in the competition, with 27 disciplines on the program. Para sports made their debut with four events. In addition, the Games Council Charter now provided for the creation of an athletes' village. French Polynesia proudly marched under its flag.



A BEAUTIFUL MEDAL HARVEST !

Tahiti delivered a remarkable performance with 56 gold medals, achieving its best result to date. Among the highlights, Georges Richmond and Sophie Gardon won the marathon, while Tumatai Dauphin in shot put, Heitiare Brinckfield in the 3,000-meter steeplechase, and Dolorès Drogba in pole vault shone in athletics.

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Nations
participantes

27

Disciplines
sportives

PODIUM DES MÉDAILLES D'OR

Nouvelle-Calédonie		119
Polynésie française		60
Papouasie-Nouvelle-Guinée		48

Terani Faremiro stood out in particular, winning titles in high jump, long jump, and heptathlon. The women's basketball and volleyball teams also claimed gold, as did boxers Karihi Tehei, Jean-Louis Albertini, Albert Temaititahio, and Jayson Tuihaa. In judo, Jeremy Picard took gold, while Alizé Belrose and the men's and women's teams shone in table tennis. Triathlete Manuela Heitz also distinguished herself. Taekwondo achieved a true sweep with Tutetoea Tchong, Paraita Brothers, Raihau Tchin, Reynald Chan, François Mu, Chaveta Sangue, Audrey Vognin, Raihau Tauotaha, Averii Gatien, and Anne-Caroline Graffe, as well as the men's and women's teams.



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In surfing, Jocelyn Poulou won the open event, while bodybuilders Anthony Bac and Tauhiro Yip reached the top step of the podium. In swimming, Rainui Teriipaia won the 50-meter and 100-meter breaststroke events. Archers Stephan Fabisch and Teiva Winkelstroeter, along with the mixed teams, also shone, as did Teiva Véronique and Jennifer Delattre in the Hobie Cat team event. Finally, va'a achieved a perfect score, with Hinatea Bernardino winning two titles, Heiva Paie Amo winning one, and crews earning ten victories.

NEW CALEDONIA, QUEEN ON HOME SOIL!

The Cagous largely dominated the competition with 122 gold medals. Tahiti, despite an excellent total, remained behind with 56 titles, while Papua New Guinea completed the podium with 48. The closing ceremony unfolded brilliantly, enhanced by fireworks over the bay of Anse Vata. All eyes now turned toward Port Moresby in 2015.

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