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FIFTEENTH PACIFIC GAMES IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA

The Games returned to Port Moresby for the third time, after 1969 and 1991. For the first time, Australia and New Zealand took part, but only in weightlifting, rugby sevens, taekwondo, and sailing. Para sports, which had first appeared in Nouméa, were present in athletics and table tennis. The Tahitian delegation, led by flag bearers Moea Dextreyt and Hiritua Taere, marched before 25,000 spectators ! Twenty-four countries gathered for the event: Australia, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Cook Islands, Fiji, Guam, Kiribati, the Northern Mariana Islands, the Marshall Islands, Nauru, Niue, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Palau, French Polynesia, the Solomon Islands, Samoa, American Samoa, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu, Wallis and Futuna, and the host country.



24

Nations
participantes

28

Disciplines
sportives

PODIUM DES MÉDAILLES D'OR

Papouasie-Nouvelle-Guinée		88
Nouvelle-Calédonie		59
Polynésie française		39

Twenty-eight disciplines were contested: athletics, basketball, beach volleyball, lawn bowls, boxing, bodybuilding, cricket, football, powerlifting, golf, weightlifting, field hockey, karate, swimming, netball, rugby sevens, rugby nines, softball, squash, taekwondo, tennis, table tennis, shooting, touch rugby, triathlon, va'a, sailing, and volleyball.

photo : drum solo performing at the opening ceremony
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PAPUA NEW GUINEA WINS BY A WIDE MARGIN AHEAD OF NEW CALEDONIA !

The host country was the great winner of these Fifteenth Games with 88 gold medals, ahead of New Caledonia with 60 and Tahiti with 39.

They made the fenua proud: Raihau Maiau in long jump, Tumatai Dauphin in shot put, boxers

photo : Tumatai Dauphin © TAHITI PRESS



Heimata Neuffer and Ariitea Putoa, bodybuilder Gary Colombani, karate athlete Vaitiare Tehaameamea, and the table tennis players, including Melveen Richmond, Alizé Belrose, Océan Belrose, the men's doubles, women's doubles, men's and women's team events. Tahiti placed three mixed doubles teams on the podium, something never seen before !

In taekwondo: Mataheitini Raihauti, Moehau Faaite, Waldeck Defaix, Tuarii Herii, and the men's and women's teams. In swimming: Teiki Dupont in the 200-meter backstroke; Rahiti De Vos in the 200-meter freestyle, 200-meter breaststroke, 400-meter freestyle, and 1,500 meters; the men's relays with Anthony Clark, Stéphane Debaere, Hugo Lambert, and Rahiti De Vos in the 4x100 meters, 4x100-meter medley, and 4x200-meter medley; and Hugo Lambert in the 3 km open water event. Maeva Normand-Darius and Gabriel Lan San won gold in pistol shooting, along with the men's clay target shooting team. Va'a came close to a clean sweep, with Vaimiti Moni, Tuatini Makirotu-Piritua, Revi Thon Sing, and the team events. In an exceptional moment, a blind Australian weightlifter competing among able-bodied athletes in his category won the gold medal !



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