



# OLYMPIC GAMES



## GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN

February 06 - 16, 1936



### In the brown shadow...

The 1936 Winter Olympics, officially known as the IV Olympic Winter Games (*Olympische Winterspiele 1936*), were celebrated in 1936 in the market town of Garmisch-Partenkirchen in Bavaria, Germany (then: Third Reich). Germany also hosted that year's Summer Olympics in Berlin. 1936 is the last year in which the Summer and Winter Games were both held in the same country (the cancelled 1940 games would have been held in Japan, with that country likewise hosting the Winter and Summer games).

The 1936 Winter Olympics were organized on behalf of the German League of the Reich for Physical Exercise (DRL) by Karl Ritter von Halt. Von

were officially opened by Adolf Hitler. He was guarded by over 6,000 SA and SS soldiers. The crowd greeted him with the Nazi salutes. In his opening speech Karl



Ritter von Halt said, "we, Germans, faithful to our fuhrer, can show the whole world that the Olympic Games will be the celebration of peace and understanding between nations". The Olympic oath was delivered by a nordic skier, Wilhelm Bogner.



Halt had been named President of the Committee for the organization of the Fourth Winter Olympics in Garmisch-Partenkirchen by *Reichssportführer* Hans von Tschammer und Osten. The Games



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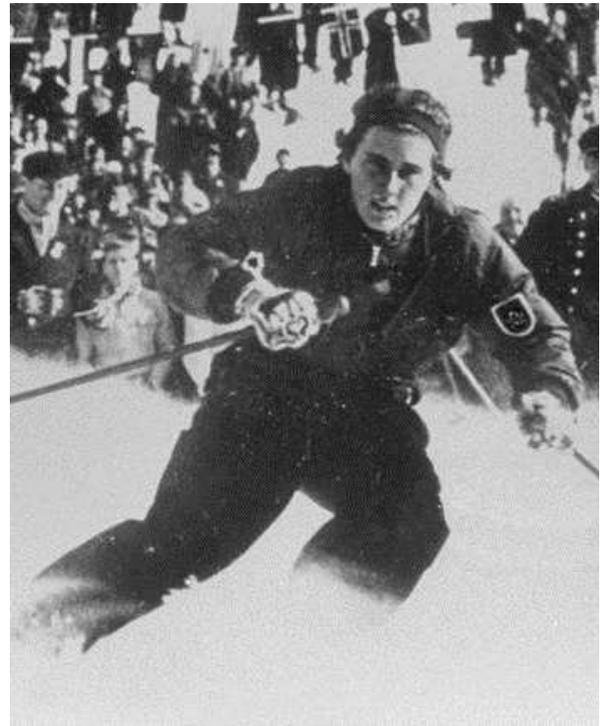
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*Demonstration sports:*

*\*Military patrol*

*\*Ice Stock Sport*



*Christl Cranz (Alpine skiing)*

## **SPORTS**

Medals were awarded in 17 events contested in 4 sports (8 disciplines).

**\*Bobsleigh (2 events)**

**\*Ice hockey (1 event)**

**\*Figure skating (3 events)**

**\*Speed skating (4 events)**

**\*Alpine skiing (2 events)**

**\*Nordic skiing:**

- Cross-country skiing (3 events)

- Ski jumping (1 event)

- Nordic combined (1 event)



*Ivar Ballangrud (Speed skating)*

# Venues

VENUE	SPORTS
Große Olympischanze	Cross-country skiing / Nordic combined / Opening and closing ceremony / Ski jumping
Gudiberg	Alpine skiing
Kreuzjoch	Alpine skiing
Kreuzeck	Alpine skiing
Olympia-Kunsteisstadion	Figure skating / Ice hockey
Riesersee and surrounding areas	Bobsleigh / Ice hockey / Speed skating

## MISCELLANEA

- German skier Willy Bogner took the Olympic oath during the opening ceremonies.
- Alpine skiing made its first appearance in the winter Olympics as the combined, which added a skier's results in both the downhill and slalom. German athletes Franz Pfnür won men's alpine and Christl Cranz won women's alpine events.
- Ivar Ballangrud won three out of the four speed skating races.
- Sonja Henie won her third consecutive gold medal in woman's figure skating.
- Switzerland won the 4 man bobsled in a time of 5:19.85.
- Great Britain upset 1932 gold medalists Canada in ice hockey when Edgar Brenchley scored the winning goal within the last ninety seconds.
- The country who won the overall games was Norway with a total of 7 gold medals, 5 silver medals and 3 bronze medals.
- These games had the largest and heaviest medals ever awarded to athletes: 100 mm diameter, 4 mm thick, weighing 324 g.

Germany, Australia, Bulgaria, Greece, Liechtenstein, Spain, and Turkey all made their Winter Olympic debut in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, and Estonia, Latvia, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, and Yugoslavia all returned to the Games after having missed the 1932 Winter Olympics

NATION	PARTICIPANTS	NATION	PARTICIPANTS
AUSTRALIA 	1	JAPAN 	31
AUSTRIA 	60	LATVIA 	26
BELGIUM 	27	LIECHTENSTEIN 	4
BULGARIA 	7	LUXEMBOURG 	4
CANADA 	29	NETHERLANDS 	8
CZECHOSLOVAKIA 	48	NORWAY 	31
ESTONIA 	5	POLAND 	20
FINLAND 	19	ROMANIA 	15
FRANCE 	28	SPAIN 	6
GERMANY 	55	SWEDEN 	32
GREAT BRITAIN 	38	SWITZERLAND 	34
GREECE 	1	TURKEY 	6
HUNGARY 	25	UNITED STATES 	55
ITALY 	40	YUGOSLAVIA 	17

# POLISH PARTICIPATION

## ALPINE SKIING

Bronisław Czech - 20th (Combined)  
Karol Zając - 28th (Combined)  
Fedor Weinschenk - 32nd (Combined)

## CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING

Michał Górski - 22nd (18km); 7th (10km relay)  
Marian Woyna Orlewicz - 32nd (18km); 7th (10km relay)  
Bronisław Czech - 33rd (18km); 7th (10km relay)  
Stanisław Karpień - 32nd (18km); 26th (50km); 7th (10km relay)

## ICE HOCKEY

Józef Stogowski, Henryk Przeździecki, Witalis Ludwiczak, Kazimierz Sokołowski, Czesław Marchewczyk, Adam Kowalski, Andrzej Wołkowski, Edmund Zieliński, Władysław Król (*photo below on the left*), Mieczysław Kasprzycki, Roman Stupnicki - 9-12th (lost to Canada 1-8, lost to Austria 1-2, beat Latvia 9-2)

## NORDIC COMBINED

Stanisław Marusarz - 7th  
Bronisław Czech - 16th  
Marian Woyna Orlewicz - 24th  
Andrzej Marusarz - 32nd

## SKI JUMPING

Stanisław Marusarz - 5th (*photo on the right*)  
Andrzej Marusarz - 21st  
Bronisław Czech - 33rd

## SPEED SKATING

Janusz Kalbarczyk - 12th (5,000m); 9th (10,000m)



## BRONISŁAW CZECH

He was 24 times Polish champion in different ski competitions and took part in the Winter Olympics of 1928, 1932 and 1936.

During the Second World War he was a soldier of Polish Underground (Home Army) and courier from occupied Poland to the West. He was captured by Germans, imprisoned and murdered in the German concentration camp Auschwitz. Some of his paintings are preserved in the concentration camp's museum.



## Medal count

RANK	NATION	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	TOTAL
1.	NORWAY	7	5	3	15
2.	GERMANY	3	3	0	6
3.	SWEDEN	2	2	3	7
4.	FINLAND	1	2	3	6
5.	SWITZERLAND	1	2	0	3
6.	AUSTRIA	1	1	2	4
7.	GREAT BRITAIN	1	1	1	3
8.	UNITED STATES	1	0	3	4
9.	CANADA	0	1	0	1
10.	FRANCE	0	0	1	1
	HUNGARY	0	0	1	1
		17	17	17	51

### MAJOR STARS

**Great Britain ice hockey team** - made a great surprise winning the gold medal

**Sonia Henie (Norway)** - won her third consecutive Olympic gold in figure skating (*photo below*)

**Karl Schäfer (Germany)** - defended successfully the gold medal in figure skating

**Ivar Ballangrud (Norway)** - won three golds and one silver in speed skating. His Olympic record was then 4 golds, 2 silvers and 1 bronze.

**Birger Ruud (Norway)** - won his second gold medal in ski jumping (*in the photo on the right*)



*Karl Schaefer and Sonia Henie*