



#### Issue 5

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## Books

The Mexican team is selling mathematical olympiad books (in Spanish), with theory and problems from different areas.

You can find them in room 977 (6th floor). Price of each book: 10 US dollars (or 50 Argentinian pesos).

#### Did you know...

...the players from the Argentinian football teams Quilmes and Olimpo, from first and second division respectively, are staying in this hotel? You can ask them to take a picture with you if you meet them!

# **Mission accomplished!**



Waiting to enter to the contest room

Yesterday, the participants had their second and last exam. Some of them did better than the day before and some of them didn't but in the end they were all glad it was finished.

Constestants finally had the chance to meet their leader and discuss the problems. From that moment on, everyone was free to enjoy many different activities, some of which started yesterday.

Indeed, the Recreation Hall was pretty crowded and full of joy. While some

contestants were competing in chess, Go, video games and other tournaments, others sang karaoke and played music.

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There was also a game where you have to reach a t-shirt through a laser labyrinth; and a mechanical bull, in which we are looking for the best tamers. But the best part was the circus workshop, where even the guides enjoyed juggling, riding a unicycle and acrobatics. After some tries, it was possible to build a human pyramid.

## Voices from the IMO

#### How was your experience during the contest?



The test was difficult, but enjoyable. Of course, it was kind of stressful but the idea was not to think about it and just have fun solving problems. My favourite problem was number 2, because it had a nice solution which was hard to think of. Luckily I could solve it!

#### Kaimyn Chapman (Australia)



This is my third IMO, so I really wasn't as nervous as I was in previous years, but of course that this kind of competition always gives you some chills. In day one I could solve the first two problems. I hoped that neither problem 4 or 5 would be geometry, but as you know that was not the case. Yet, I managed to solve problem 4, so I'm quite satisfied with my performance. Now we'll just have to wait for the medal cutoffs, and hope that chance is in our side!

#### IMO NEWS

### Happy Birthday!



\*Kevin Höllring (GER2) \*Daniel Hadas (ISR2) \*Avetik Karagulyan (ARM4)

## **Remember!**

Any damage inside the rooms or in public areas of the hotel will apply a financial penalty. Also, any inappropriate behavior will be raised before the Discipline Committee who will apply the appropriate penalty.

Furthermore we inform you that the doors of the rooms should remain closed as the Hotel shall not be liable to theft or loss.

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## **Upcoming events**

**Today** we continue with the tournaments at Recreation Hall. There will also be some shows at the hotel theater, starting at 6 pm.

**Tomorrow** we have an excursion to the Mar del Plata Aquarium, where you will see shows with dolphins, sea lions and other kinds of sea life. Your guide will inform you the meeting point.

## The IMO 2012 album

