Subject: Paris Olympics
Posted by Mulcahy on Sun, 21 Jul 2024 22:53:20 GMT
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Will you tune in for any of it? I'll watch the opening and closing ceremonies and some track and field. I'm curious about breakdancing's debut.

Subject: Re: Paris Olympics
Posted by Rusty on Sun, 21 Jul 2024 23:12:25 GMT
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Breakdancing? What next, juggling? Golf is an event these days too. Gimme a break. I'd rather bowing be an event.
I like the track and field too. That was the mainstay of the original Olympic games. I bet women's gymnastics will be televised a lot too. I also like some of the unglamorous events like weight lifting and wrestling. They tend to get little coverage. Probably breakdancing will edge them out in coverage.

Subject: Re: Paris Olympics
Posted by gofar99 on Mon, 22 Jul 2024 01:30:57 GMT
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They should add bean bag toss and pick up sticks. :lol: They really ought to get back to the core events from years gone by. I can't see anyone from Olympus doing break dancing.

Subject: Re: Paris Olympics
Posted by Kingfish on Tue, 23 Jul 2024 20:49:55 GMT
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And Tic Tac Toe! :lol:

I deliver medicine and I was at a rehab facility one day which had a giant chess board with all the pieces set up on the asphalt.

This needs to happen in Paris.

(I wish I could have played a round with someone. That would have so neat.)

Subject: Re: Paris Olympics
Posted by Rusty on Thu, 08 Aug 2024 20:28:14 GMT
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Two great track & field races that deserve note. The 1500 meter race that American Cole Hocker won all on guts and will power. Boxed in on the inside lane and losing stride temporarily he shifts into overdrive and beats the world champion for a taste of his own glory for old glory.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2sb32uxUO10

Then the mens 400 meter final has another American, Quincy Hall, (who went to H.S. around my neck of the woods) that dug deep down into his reserves and toughed out a win that looked impossible from where he was after the final turn. Great moments in sporting history.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QkmcEL-C25I
The Olympics always has those moments. Just pure human desire and perseverance.

Subject: Re: Paris Olympics
Posted by Rusty on Fri, 09 Aug 2024 14:38:48 GMT
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Don't blink. It's over that fast. Olympic speed climbing.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gisYmp5LrYU

The girls look just as fast.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iDy9Tftk99w

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Subject: Re: Paris Olympics
Posted by Kingfish on Wed, 14 Aug 2024 16:55:04 GMT
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Rusty wrote on Fri, 09 August 2024 09:38

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More like lowlights. Check the woman from Australia. Maybe I'm getting old, but it looked ridiculous. Dancing is a fun activity, but making it competitive doesn't turn it into a sport.

I read somewhere that this is the last year for break dancing in the Olympics.

I don't know. Let the kids be kids, I guess.

Subject: Re: Paris Olympics
Posted by Rusty on Wed, 14 Aug 2024 17:33:53 GMT
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It's idiotic I think too. But then. They made 'golf' into an event for the summer games a few games or so back. It's about as strenuous a sport like bowling or billiards are. Maybe they can introduce lawn darts or bean bag toss in L.A. four years from now.

The French kind of had a weird closing ceremony what little I saw. Music wise. Ominous sounding orchestration that seemed, well, weird.