

75 Years of Israeli Sports

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1930's

The 1930's was the rise of the athletic organization called Maccabi. This organization was started in 1912, but gained its popularity in the mid-1930's due to the growing interest from the Palestinians. In 1948, the year of the establishment of Israel, sports were pushed aside due to the war of Independence. Today, the organization Maccabi has become a fully Jewish version of the olympics drawing in thousands of Jews from all over the world.

1960's

In the 1960's, soccer and basketball were the main focus in Israeli sports. The euro basketball leagues gained popularity, and began to earn sponsors and investors. Israeli soccer teams began fightings for more and more wins against other countries, which made the sport increasingly popular in Israel.

1970's

In 1970, Israel competed in the Asian Olympics. Through Basketball, athletics, shooting, and swimming; Israel won a total of 17 metals. This was a big moment for israel, since the generally new and small country, was able to earn themselves 17 metals.

1980's

In the 1980s, the main sport of Israel was soccer. Israel's most famous teams were Maccabi Tel Aviv, Hapoel Tel Aviv and Maccabi Netanya.



1994

In 1994, figure skater Michael Shmerkin finished 16th in the Winter Olympics on February 12, 1994. This was one of the first events that put Israel on the map in the sporting world.



Michael Shmerkin doing his figure skating act in the 1994 Winter Olympics.

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