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AUSTRALIA JUNIOR CANOE/KAYAKING SLALOM TEAM

RE: **Newsletter 1**
To: Selected Athletes, Parents and Support Crew
From: Geoff Jones , Team Manager
Date: Friday, 11 March 2005



Tour News

Congratulations on your selection to the Australian Junior Team for 2005 and welcome to the first edition of the "Tour News". It is my intention to provide all shared information through this numbered newsletter. This will enable everyone to keep in touch with the planning details and requirements of them. I would suggest you keep copies of the newsletter in a folder with other information about the tour. It is important that athletes respond to requests for information as quickly as possible.

This experience will be a terrific opportunity to develop your paddling skills with great coaching and varied rivers and artificial courses. Training and appropriate preparation prior to the trip will be vital to make the most of this trip.

Junior Team for Pre-Worlds Tour

Below are the basic contact details for each athlete.

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Support Team

The following members of the support are in place at present

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Three coaches will be selected to accompany the Junior team, these coaches will be announced as soon as possible.

Indicative Tour Schedule

16/06/2005	Thu	Fly	Zurich	ZWI	Travel
17/06/2005	Fri	Drive	Augsburg	GER	Arrive at Zurich drive to Augsburg
18/06/2005	Sat	Train	Augsburg	GER	Training
19/06/2005	Sun	Train	Augsburg	GER	Training
20/06/2005	Mon	Train	Augsburg	AUS	Travelling
21/06/2005	Tue	Drive	Otez	AUS	Drive to Otez - River Paddle
22/06/2005	Wed	Train	Otez	AUS	Training
23/06/2005	Thu	Train	Otez	AUS	Recreational Paddle
24/06/2005	Fri	Drive	Bratislava	SLK	Drive to Bratislava
25/06/2005	Sat	Train	Bratislava	SLK	Training
26/06/2005	Sun	Train	Bratislava	SVK	Training
27/06/2005	Mon	Drive	Prage	CZE	Drive to Prague
28/06/2005	Tue	Train	Prague	CZE	Training
29/06/2005	Wed	Train	Prague	CZE	Training
30/06/2005	Thu	Drive/Train	Ceske Budejovice	CZE	Travel/ Training on the Course
1/07/2005	Fri	Train	Ceske Budejovice	CZE	Training
2/07/2005	Sat	Compete	Ceske Budejovice	CZE	Competition
3/07/2005	Sun	Compete	Ceske Budejovice	CZE	Competition
4/07/2005	Mon	Drive	Ljubljana	SLO	Drive to Luubljana
5/07/2005	Tue	Training	Ljubljana	SLO	Training at Tarcen
6/07/2005	Wed	Drive/Train	Solkan	SLO	Travel to Solkan Training Afternoon
7/07/2005	Thu	River	Solkan	SLO	River Trip in the Soca Valley
8/07/2005	Fri	Training	Solkan	SLO	Training
9/07/2005	Sat	Jnr Pre World	Solkan	SLO	Competition
10/07/2005	Sun	Jnr Pre World	Solkan	SLO	Competition
11/07/2005	Mon	River	Solkan	SLO	Guided River trip in Soca River
12/07/2005	Tue	Drive	Innsbruk	AUS	Travel
13/07/2005	Wed	Drive	Zurich	SWI	Fly Home to Aus
14/07/2005	Thu				Arrive Home in AUS

The tour schedule is still in planning stages, some minor changes may occur as we move closer to the date. Flights are still being finalised and hopefully will be confirmed shortly. The anticipated departure date is 16th June from Sydney, Melbourne and Perth flying to Zurich, the return date from Zurich is anticipated at 13th July 2005. I am currently organising accommodation for the trip and will inform people when these details have been put in place. Two weeks of the trip covers the school holidays in New South Wales and Victoria. Please inform your school / uni etc as quickly as possible of the dates of the tour so as they can start to make arrangements for you.

Tour Cost

You should have received an official letter from Australian Canoeing congratulating you on your selection to the team. The letter indicated an anticipated tour cost; unfortunately this cost has increased to \$5950. This costing could be subject to change depending on finalisation of flight and freight costs. Payment will be expected in 3 instalments.

1. An initial payment of \$1,950 will be due on 31st March 2005.
2. The second payment of \$2,000 is due on 29th April 2005.
3. The final payment of \$2,000 is due on 31st May 2005

An invoice for the first payment will be issued shortly by Australian Canoeing. All cheques should be made payable to Australian Canoeing.

Preliminary Organisation

- If you do not already have a passport then you should start organising this straight away.
- A team uniform will be provided which includes a track suite. The items to be supplied as part of the uniform have not been finalised. More information will be forwarded when known.
- It is planned to hold two training camps, the dates of the training weekends are:-
 - Training Camp 1: Friday 25th to Sunday 26th March 2005.
 - Training Camp 2: The weekend of the 14th/15th May 2005.

It is hoped that the Victorian, Tasmanian and Western Australian members of the squad will travel to Penrith to attend at least one of the weekend activities. The training weekends are not compulsory.

Travel expenses for the training camps are the responsibility of the athlete. Transport to and from Sydney Airport and accommodation can be arranged.

Athletes should inform coaches of their selection in the junior team and discuss a training schedule leading up to the tour. The schedule should cover fitness, technique and where possible some white-water training and competition.

- Should you have any concerns or issues please don't hesitate to contact me by either email or phone.
- It is planned to send a letter to the school of athletes still attending school, indicating that they have been selected in the Australian Junior Slalom Team and that they will be touring Central Europe to compete in the Junior Pre-World Championships on the 9th/10th July in Solkan Slovenia.

Information Required

Please email Geoff Jones with the following information as soon as possible:-

1. Passport Number or an indication that process has commenced to obtain a passport.

Regards

Geoff Jones
2005 Team Manager