

REPORT MARCH 2010
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SELECTION FOR SLALOM ASIAN CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
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A. Situation

The chosen place for the event was Shiu-Li. It is located 3h south from Taipei. It is the same venue as the last National Chinese Taipei Slalom Championships 2009 and Taiwan Games Slalom event 2009.

B. Preparation of the event

1. Race organization team and judges

Miss Ting-Ting Lee organized a Slalom Judge Clinic with 40 of her students from Chienkuo Technology University. Both of us held one day clinic with those 40 students. I have to underline that last month, most of the students organized a Slalom competition in the swimming-pool of Taichung. Then, I reinforced their knowledge in judging and organization, some of them used to practice canoeing.

2. Participants and categories for the competition

An amazing 74 entries had been recorded. One must notice that entries for Slalom competitions in Chinese Taipei increase for each event.

5 categories were presented: K1 Man and Woman, C1 man and Woman and C2 Men.

The participants were issued from:

- Taichung
- Ilan
- Taipei
- NantouChienkuo Technology University

3. Out-fitting and design

The out-fitting of the place (cables, gates) was done by a crew of young paddlers from Taichung team (13 to 20 years old) during 2 days.

This crew is the same as in Taiwan Games, they are now able to fit out the place almost on their own.

As all the experienced paddlers from the organization were competing as well, I designed alone the competition course.

I was focused on making it difficult enough as this competition was a selection race for Asian Continental Slalom Championships 2010 and easy enough to let the beginners Slalom paddlers (Taipei and Chienkuo Technology University) paddling through gates in safe conditions.

4. Schedule of the competition

3月27日 水里	3月28日 水里
7:30-9:30 Training time for Taichung,I-lan 9:30-12:30 Training time for beginners 11:00 Judges meeting	8:00 judges meeting 8:30 judges on position 9:00 C1W 9:03 K1M 9:45 C2M 10:05 K1W 10:30 C1M 11:00 C1W 11:03 K1M 11:45 C2M 12:05 K1W - 12:30 C1M
13:00-15:00 Boat control 14:30-16:30 course setting 15:30 close the course 16:30 DEMO RUN 17:30 team leader meeting 19:00 final list	14:30 team race 15:30 close ceremony

C. Selection for Asian Slalom Continental Championships 2010

K1M

- **Lee, Han-Chang (Taichung)**
- Lin, Shan-Jung (I-lan)
- Wu, Tai-Yi (Taichung)

C1M

- **Guo, Mon-Lung (I-Lan)**
- Ma, Cheng-Ming (Taichung)
- Chiu, Huai-Chun(Taichung)

K1W

- **Chang, Chu-Han (Taichung)**
- Cheng Mei-Jing (I-Lan)
- Cheng, Wei-Han (Taichung)

C2M

- **Pan, Hung-Ming/ Chang, Yun-Chan (Taichung)**
- Lin, Shan-Jung/Guo, Mon-Lung(I-lan)
- Chang, Chia Jen/ Hsieh, Yi-Lung (Taichung)

C1W

- **Cheng Wei-Han (Taichung)**
- Chang, Chu-Han(Taichung)
- Huang, Yi-Wen(Taichung)

Nb: bold names are National Slalom champions for 2010

D. Pictures



Judging class



Part of the judging crew



Judging and race organization test on land



Paddler from Ilan



Paddler from Taichung



Taichung team



Ilan team



Parents help for boat control



Akmal from Malaysia gave a big hand for scoring office and was competing (guest) as well



A part of Ilan team



A part of Taichung team

SURVEY OF A PLACE SHUILI RESCUE AND SAFETY TRAINING ARTIFICIAL RIVER

A. Location

The surveyed place is located 40mn from Taichung City and 20mn from Shuili.

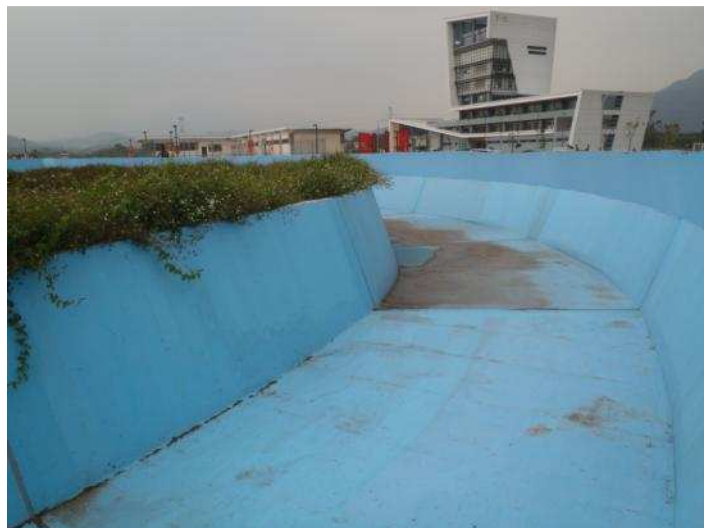
This artificial stretch had been built for training rescue and emergency teams for operations in rivers.

It is a governmental place, there are many different buildings to simulate calamities and train firemen for emergency interventions: river, plane, ship, building.



It seems that when the crews trained in the river, they did not handle properly the way of rescuing people. The design of the channel is not exactly what one can find in a flooded river in case of calamity: no boulder, no eddy, it is only a bare channel.

O far, the river is not really used anymore due to some tests that were not satisfying in terms of rescuing. One can consider that now the place is "abandoned" for the training of the crews.



B. Feature of the artificial river

- Length: 180m
- Drop: about 3,5m
- Width: from 3,5m to 7m
- Depth: from 1,5m to 2m
- Pumping water system
- Small lake nearby
- Clear water is used to fill in the channel, the water flows in a closed-circuit



Bottom of the pumping system



Exit of the water after pumping, beginning of the river



Final of the course



Reservoir



End of the river



In the channel

C. Idea of the project

This place is not used anymore for what it had been built. Therefore, the project should be to suggest the authorities some modifications of the channel in the aim to make it useful. A specialist of artificial rivers should be required.

Of course, the point is to present the idea as changing the design to make it as close as possible from a "normal river".

That means wider river-bed fitted out with boulders, eddies....

Then, it is thinkable to suggest that this place will be used as a training venue for safety drills and also it could welcome Slalom out-fitting.

One of the biggest problems in Chinese Taipei is the big floods. With such artificial course, Slalom paddlers will have a safe and permanent place for training.

The biggest part of the needs for artificial river is already done. Now, only the small modifications and Slalom out-fitting could bring all TPE paddlers a permanent convenient place for training.

REPORT FEBRUARY 2010 CHINESE TAIPEI

A. Preparation of the Slalom course

Chinese Taipei NF will organize the national Championships on the 27th and 28th of March. This competition will also be the event to select paddlers for Asian games test event and Asian Championships 2010.

This NF opens also the Slalom course of Shuili to any foreign paddler who is willing to attend the competition. An informal invitation has been sent on the 20th of February to HKG, SIN, MAS, THA, UZB, KAZ, KOR, NEP, INA, PHI. Any team who can join the place will have free training on the course.

In order to give good training conditions, I'd been working with the athletes of Taichung and we modified the gates system. Now, every gates is adjustable from the water.

The gates system for the competition will be the same as during the Taiwan Games.

B. Preparation of the competition

Miss Ting-Ting Lee asked me to organize a judging Slalom clinic. Even if she expect to gather experienced judges from the last National Championships and the Taiwan Games, one can expect to have "new" participants as Slalom is more and more attractive among Taiwanese paddlers.

The clinic will be held on the few days prior the competition.

C. Pictures of the course

Those pictures were taken with 25 as water level. It will be the level asked for the competition.



UPPER PART



MIDDLE PART



END