

Report of TIP CSL camp - African Olympic Qualification Bethlehem Ash River (South Africa) – 24th January-4th February 2012



A. Talent ID camp participants and management

1. Organisation

The camp was run on the Ash River, 25kms from Bethlehem city. The accommodation and feeding were at Kruisvalley Farm, a local caterer provided 3 meals/day.

- The farm is about 10mn driving from the Slalom venue.

2. Coaching

2 coaches: Caroline Bourry (FRA) and Pierrick Gosselin (FRA) made a “flexible” program based on: fulls, halves, technique and loops. A time was dedicated to the preparation work of a continental level Slalom competition

3. Financial and equipment

- The camp was fully supported by funds from Bethlehem municipality for all logistics matters and coaches were supported by ICF CSL development program
- All the required equipment (boats, paddles, paddler’s equipment) was borrowed from Dihlabeng Slalom Club.
- Transportation was made with 2 vans rented under the given municipality budget

4. Remarks about the group

- The group was made of 6 K1M, 1 K1W, 3 C1M and 1 C2M.
 - 5 countries were present: NIG, TOG, MOR, KEN, RSA
 - Average-age: 20
- The global picture of the group is shared on 2 main levels:
- TIP world Level (NIG, MOR, RSA)
 - TIP Continental Level (KEN, TOG)



B. From 2008 to 2012

	BOATS AT AFRICAN CONTINENTALS 2008	BOATS AT AFRICAN CONTINENTALS 2012	REPRESENTED COUNTRIES IN 2008 PER EVENT	REPRESENTED COUNTRIES IN 2012 PER EVENT
K1M	8	12	4: TOG, NIG, KEN, RSA	5: TOG, NIG, RSA, KEN, MOR
K1W	4	3	2: KEN, ALG	3: MOR, KEN, UGA
C1M	4	7	2: RSA, KEN	2: RSA, KEN
C2M	3	2	2: RSA, KEN	2: RSA, KEN

	COUNTRY	EVENT	GIVEN NAME	FAMILY NAME	CSL RANKING	WW RACING RANKING
1	NIGERIA	K1M	AKINYEMI	JOHNATHAN	1	1
2	TOGO	K1M	AKIBODE	KOFFI	18	DNS
3	MOROCCO	K1M	ROUICH	MEDHI	3	2
4	KENYA	K1W	MAINA	GRACE	3	DNS
5	RSA	K1M	MOKOENA	LEHLOHLO	10	7
6	RSA	C1M/C2M	MOKUTU	NTEO	3/1	C2: 1
7	RSA	C1M/C2M	JABULANE	MOFOKENG	4/1	C1: 1 / C2: 1
8	RSA	K1M	SUCCESS	MAHLABA	5	4
9	RSA	K1M	WEWEDGE	DONOVAN	4	3

Johnathan Akinyemi from Nigeria (Development program 2007-2009 -TIP summer tour 2011 – TIP Bratislava Worlds CL 2011) made the Olympic African spot in K1M

C. Proposal of names for TIP World 2012-2014

- **Morocco: K1M Medhi Rouich**
- **South Africa: C1M Mokutu Nteo and K1M Success Mahlaba & Donovan Wewedge**

D. Remarks

- The level of the venue was suitable for all the paddlers of the camp
- This kind of TIP camp was done for the 1st time in Africa. It needed a short period for all athletes to catch up with the « rules » of the camp and the difference between TIP and Development camp.
- A real and good friendship born among the paddlers from the different countries. Solidarity was always a priority on the water.
- The whole group did an amazing work to prepare the venue and gate system to host the Continental Championships.

E. Proposals

- Increasing of participating countries by yearly competitions and training camps : Regional Continental camps and competition (Southern Africa/Eastern Africa/Western Africa/Northern Africa). A useful tool could be found in the organisation of CSL competition under the YOG format. A first experience was successful at the African Games 2011.
- **Rely on local/continental support as coach for the next camps held in Africa**
- **A reliable project should be done to promote Ladies canoeing Slalom activity**

F. Pictures



Kenyan Paddler/Coach is setting South African gate



The future of South African C2



Benjamin Boukpetit is giving warm-up tips to Kenyan and Togolese paddlers



Lowest part of the venue



Kenya-Morocco friendship