

May 5, 2014

Dear Athlete,

This package contains important information regarding the 2014 World Youth Climbing Championships (WYCH) being hosted in Noumea, New Caledonia. The competition is scheduled for **September 20 – 24, 2014**. There have been some changes to the Youth National Team process for this season – please review the following:

### **Selection Process for the Youth National Team**

As was previously announced, there is no official application process for those hoping to be selected for the Youth National Team. Any athlete registered with their Provincial Sport Organization (PSO) will be eligible to be selected in accordance to the CEC selection criteria found here: [http://www.climbingescaladecanada.ca/CCC/Youth\\_Team\\_Selection\\_Criteria.html](http://www.climbingescaladecanada.ca/CCC/Youth_Team_Selection_Criteria.html).

At the National Championships, the athletes named to the National Team will be required to attend a meeting immediately after the competition where more details about the WYCH will be presented. These athletes will need to state their intention of attending or not attending the WYCH. Once we have the number of athletes from the National Team confirmed to attend the WYCH, we will follow the process of selecting and inviting alternates for any spots that are open. Alternates will be contacted within one week of the National Team being selected and will be given a short time period to either accept their invitation or to decline it.

### **Training Camp and WYCH Costs**

Once again, the training camp will be mandatory for any athlete who will be attending the WYCH. It will be hosted from June 30 – July 5 in Canmore, AB. An attached budget has been included as well as for the WYCH. Both of these are **estimates** at this time and may change depending on how many athletes attend each event. Please note that we are budgeting at the high end at this time as we finalize some bookings.

A full schedule for the training camp and WYCH will be provided as soon as the number of the athletes attending is known.

On behalf of all the Canadian Youth National Climbing Team officials, we would like to wish you all the best heading into the Canadian Climbing Championships at Allez Up, Montreal, QC on the May Long Weekend!

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## **2014 Canadian Youth National Climbing Team – Officials**

### **CHRIS NEVE, HEAD COACH**

Climbing Club: The Banff Junior Climbing Team, Banff, Alberta  
Years Coaching: 18 years  
Years with National Team: 5 years  
International Events Attended: 6  
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### **RON GOSSELIN, TEAM MANAGER**

Climbing Club: The Boulders Climbing Gym, Central Saanich, B.C.  
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Years with National Team: 3 years  
International Events Attended: 3  
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### **ADRIAN DAS, ASSISTANT COACH**

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Years with National Team: 1 year  
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### **MATT JOHNSON, ASSISTANT COACH**

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Years with National Team: 1 year  
International Events Attended: 4 years as an athlete  
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### **DŨNG NGUYEN, ASSISTANT COACH**

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Years Coaching: 19 years  
Years with National Team: 10 years  
International Events Attended: 11  
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\* Dũng will be unable to attend the WYCH but will be at the training camp.

### **ALAYNE HING, PERFORMANCE COACH**

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### **JUDY MACKASEY, ATHLETIC THERAPIST**

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## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

### **Youth National Team Training Camp**

All athletes attending the WYCH in Noumea, New Caledonia are **required** to attend the training camp in Canmore, AB from **June 30 – July 5, 2014**, arriving by **5:00 pm** on June 30 and not leaving before **5:00 pm** on July 5. There will be a fee associated with the training camp to cover accommodations, food, travel, and the expenses of the team officials.

The purpose of the training camp is to: assess the athletes in their physical, mental, tactical, and technical preparations; go over the upcoming training for the remainder of the summer before the WYCH in September; and, allow the athletes and team officials to work together and get to know one another.

The entire team will be staying at The Hostel Bear in Canmore for the duration of the training camp and will be under the supervision of the team officials during this entire time. **Please be aware:** the athletes and team officials will be staying together. Family, friends, and club coaches will NOT be permitted to stay at the team accommodations.

### **World Youth Climbing Championships**

The WYCH will be held from **September 20 – 24, 2014**. All athletes will be **required** to arrive for the WYCH on **Wednesday, September 17** and cannot leave before **Thursday, September 25** (times to be announced). During this time, the team officials will be responsible for the team 24 hours a day for the duration of the competition. There will be a fee associated with this arrangement to cover accommodations, food, travel, and the expenses of the team officials.

**Please be aware:** the athletes and team officials will be staying together. Family, friends, and club coaches will not be permitted to stay at the team accommodations but there will likely be lots of interaction between the team and its supporters. This will be entirely dependent on event logistics and will always be arranged with the interest of ensuring the athletes' abilities to focus and prepare properly for the event as the primary objective.

### **National Team Uniforms & Trading Shirts**

A new uniform design has been created this year and will be in place for the next three years. The competition tops will be white with red print and the team jackets will be red with white print. There will be a cost for uniforms this year: **\$25 for each competition top and \$65 for the team jacket**. Each athlete will be required to have at least one competition top (but can order more than one) and one team jacket. Since these pieces are part of the official CEC National Team uniform, they cannot be traded or given away at the WYCH or any other time. It will be the athlete's responsibility to maintain them in good shape at all times.

There will also be an opportunity for each athlete to purchase team shirts that can be used for trading with other athletes at the WYCH. This shirt will be similar to the competition top design but reversed in colours; it will also be a simple cotton t-shirt. Samples will be brought to the Canadian National Climbing Championships in Montreal, QC during the May long weekend. The cost for this shirt will be \$15 and order forms will also be available in Montreal.

## Estimated Costs

(based on 24 athletes – costs will vary if more or less athletes attend)

### Training Camp: June 30 – July 5, 2014, Canmore, Alberta

Accommodation:	\$25.00 per evening X 5 evenings	<b>\$125.00</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• staying at The Hostel Bear<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="http://www.thehostelbear.com/">http://www.thehostelbear.com/</a></li></ul></li><li>• dorm rooms with 6, 8, or 10 beds</li><li>• all dorm rooms will be for our athletes only – no members of the public will be in our rooms</li></ul>	
Food:	All meals will be made at The Hostel Bear: breakfast, lunch, and dinner; athletes will be put into teams each day to either prepare a meal or be on clean-up duty	
	\$25.00 per day X 5 days	<b>\$125.00</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• all made at The Hostel Bear by the team</li></ul>	
	Parents & Athletes Dinner: \$25.00 per person	<b>\$25.00</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• catered dinner at Spice Hut</li><li>• June 30 @ 6:00pm</li><li>• all parents and family members will be able to attend at the fee above; numbers to be confirmed by June 1</li></ul>	
Team Officials:	Flights	<b>\$100.00</b>
	Accommodations	<b>\$45.00</b>
	Food	<b>\$35.00</b>
Climbing Gym Fees:	\$13.00 per athlete X 4 days	<b>\$52.00</b>
Extracurricular Activities:	July 3 – Team Building Day	<b>\$25.00</b>
	<b><u>TOTAL PER ATHLETE:</u></b>	<b><u>\$532.00</u></b>

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### **World Youth Climbing Championships: September 20 – 24, 2014, Noumea, New Caledonia**

Accommodation:	\$65.00 per evening X 8 evenings	<b>\$520.00</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• arrival is September 17, 2014 – time to be announced</li><li>• at The Hilton in Noumea, New Caledonia</li><li>• we will have suites with three bedrooms in each suite, and two beds per room</li></ul>	
Food:	Breakfasts: \$15.00 per day X 8 breakfasts	<b>\$120.00</b>
	Lunches: \$15.00 per day X 8 lunches	<b>\$120.00</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• bag lunch - TBA</li></ul>	
	Dinners: \$29.95 per person X 8 dinners	<b>\$239.60</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• for evenings of September 17 - 24</li></ul>	
	Parents & Athletes Dinner: \$29.95 per person	<b>\$30.00</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• catered buffet dinner ??</li><li>• September 17, 2014 – 7:00pm</li><li>• All parents and family members will be able to attend at the fee above; numbers to be confirmed by July 5</li></ul>	
Team Officials:	Flights	<b>\$750.00</b>
	Accommodations	<b>\$130.00</b>
	Food	<b>\$127.40</b>
Activities:	Social activities	<b>\$150.00</b>
Transportation:	While in Noumea	<b>\$100.00</b>
	<b><u>TOTAL PER ATHLETE:</u></b>	<b><u>\$2287.00</u></b>

## Travel Costs to New Caledonia

Our Team Manager has been working hard to secure the best rates possible for flights to and from New Caledonia. A group rate will be available for any athlete and their family members to take advantage of with the following points to be aware of:

- the booking will include travel from Vancouver to Noumea and back on the following dates only:
  - leave Vancouver on Monday, September 15 – arrive in Noumea on Wednesday, September 17
  - leave Noumea on Thursday, September 25 – arrive in Vancouver on Thursday, September 25
- for this group booking, there will be no variations allowed on dates to leave or to return
- also, the price below does not include your travel to Vancouver

**No athlete is obligated to take advantage of this booking** but we do need at least 15 passengers to get the group booking rate. It will be the athlete's responsibility to make their own arrangements to get to The Hilton in Noumea by Wednesday, September 17 if they choose to not join the group booking.

Also, athletes and their parents must make their own arrangements to make sure the athlete gets to New Caledonia safely if they are travelling alone. Team officials may or may not be going on the same flight, depending on their personal plans, so please make all the necessary arrangements.

Group Booking:	Return Flight from Vancouver to Noumea (Group Rate)	<b>\$3000.00*</b>
	<b>*Subject to change until booked; flight itinerary would be:</b>	
	• Vancouver to Sydney to Noumea, and the same on return	
	Private Coach from & to airport in Noumea @ \$1970	<b>\$82.00</b>
	<b><u>TOTAL PER INDIVIDUAL</u></b> (based on 24 athletes):	<b><u>\$3082.00</u></b>