

Australian Junior Team 2009 - Newsletter No 3. – 6th May 2009.

Things are moving along fast, we leave in 3.5 weeks so the following is a quick update.

Flights.

The E tickets have arrived and I will issue these to you later tonight. We have a weight allowance of 32Kg which has to include your boat, paddle and all your check in baggage, a letter will be issued from Singapore Airlines to confirm this – I will send a copy to Melbourne and Perth so you are covered at the airport. You are still allowed carry on baggage additional to your 32Kg but do not assume you can take lots – on my return last month from NZ they were weighing all carry on baggage that looked large and heavy.

Uniforms.

These have been ordered and are in the process of having embroidery added. The uniform includes Tracksuit, polo shirt, 2 x casual T shirts, rash vest and bag. I will post to Melbourne and Perth when I receive them.

Cags.

The order has been placed with Anthony and we should receive them next week. I have received orders from Alison, Tim, Antra, Joey, Ashleigh and Al. If I have missed you please get back to me and I can change the order.

Invoices

The second invoice was sent out last night by Australian Canoeing. If you have not received it let me know.

Race Entries

We have entered all in both the Merano and Foix races in your main K1 class and we have also entered Jaxon, Joey and Tim in the C1M class and Jess, Antra and Alison in the C1W class. As we are very short on space (both on the cars and on the flights) we can only take 2 C1's and will therefore be taking the AIS boat that Joey has been using and Alison's boat – we will have to share.

Keep up the training in C1.

Details of Merano race:-

<http://www.scm->

[kanu.org/jo/index.php?option=com_content&view=category&layout=blog&id=55&Itemid=86&lang=en](http://www.scm-kanu.org/jo/index.php?option=com_content&view=category&layout=blog&id=55&Itemid=86&lang=en) Race dates are 6th and 7th June 2009

Preparation.

In preparation can you please make sure you consider the following:-

1. Repair boat and all gear – This should be in good condition before we leave, we will only have limited repair equipment (and time) on tour so best repair it now.
2. Canoeing gear – give it a wash, rule of no smelly canoeing gear allowed in the car.
3. Double check your passport.
4. Consider joining Singapore Airlines Frequent Flyer program – it is free.
5. Ensure you have some way of getting money in Europe, I normally wait until I get to Europe and then draw money at a ATM – these are the same as here but you may need a pin number with numbers only (no letters) – check with you bank to ensure you account is accessible.
6. Start thinking about what you will pack – try to limit what you take, the less you take the easier it will be, excess baggage is \$70 per Kg (remember you are going to Europe, if you need it they sell it)

Hope the above helps.

Will send out more details soon.

Bye from me.

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