



## World Mountain Running Trophy Wellington 2005

**NEWSLETTER 1**

**7 December 2004**

*To All National Athletics Federations and Mountain Running Contacts*

It is now more than two months since the wonderful World Trophy in Sauze d'Oulx, Italy, and it is time to update you all on planning for Wellington in 2005. We have a lot to tell you!

### **Travel Times**

In your planning you should know that if, for example, you leave Europe on the 19<sup>th</sup> of September then your arrival in Wellington will be on the 21<sup>st</sup> i.e. two days later. This is because of the date line as well as the travel time to New Zealand.

You also need to be aware that your athletes will suffer from 'jet lag' and will need at least 3 to 4 days to be back to full fitness.

Our recommendation is that you plan to be in Wellington by no later than Tuesday the 20<sup>th</sup>. Better still would be to arrive by the 17<sup>th</sup> and run in the Meridian Energy Wind Turbine Run on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup>.

### **Air Travel Bookings**

- Our official airline, Qantas, has set aside some special rates but is confident that there will be specials next year that will be even better.
- We recommend that you contact Qantas direct to organise your flights and rates. **You must email Ruth McIntyre at Qantas [rmcintyre@qantas.com.au](mailto:rmcintyre@qantas.com.au) with regard to your team's travel requirements.** Inform Ruth of:
  - Your departure airport and the preferred date(s) of travel.
  - Numbers travelling.
- You must book your flights before July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2005 and then provide names to Qantas by August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2005.

### **Air Travel Subsidies**

We propose to subsidise official team members and officials as noted below:

- 1-5 competitors: 1 subsidised official
- 6-10 competitors: 2 subsidised officials
- 11-17 competitors: 3 subsidised officials

Based upon current projections of competitors and subsidised officials, the air travel subsidy should be approximately:

Ex Europe / Asia / Africa	NZ\$440 (US\$315)
Ex Americas	NZ\$220 (US\$157.50)
Ex Pacific / Australia / South East Asia	No subsidy

We anticipate that final numbers will be less than current projections. This means that the final subsidy is likely to be more than the above.

*Note that the subsidy will be paid direct to Qantas for those that can connect with Qantas flights. For those countries that cannot connect with Qantas flights, the subsidy will be paid direct to you in Wellington. The payment will be in NZ dollars.*

*Note also that the IAAF will be providing an additional total travel subsidy of US\$48,400.*

### **Provisional Accommodation Bookings**

We have made provisional accommodation bookings as per the table below. Note that for many countries we have you down as arriving in Wellington on September 19<sup>th</sup>. **Please inform me, [Arthur@mountainrunning.org.nz](mailto:Arthur@mountainrunning.org.nz), as early as possible if we should make any changes to numbers or dates.** At this stage we have not made any allowance for those wanting to stay on as you will be able to do that direct with the hotel.

Country	JW	JM	W	M	Officials		Arrive Wellington
					Men	Women	
Australia	0	4	3	4	1	0	21 <sup>st</sup>
Austria	3	3	4	6	2	1	19th
Belgium				4	0	0	20th
Canada	0	0	4	6	1	1	21 <sup>st</sup>
Croatia	2	3	4	6	3	0	21 <sup>st</sup>
Czech Republic	3	4	4	6	3	0	16th
England	3	4	4	6	2	1	19th
Eritrea		4		4	2	1	21 <sup>st</sup>
France	0	4	4	6	4	2	19th
Germany	2	3	4	4	2	0	19th
Gibraltar	0	0	0	2	1	0	21 <sup>st</sup>
Ireland	3	4	4	6	2	1	16th
Israel	0	0	0	1	0	0	
Italy	3	4	4	6	3	0	19th
Mexico	0	3	1	6	3	0	21 <sup>st</sup>
Monaco	0	0	3	5	1	0	21 <sup>st</sup>
Netherlands	?	?	?	1	?	?	21 <sup>st</sup>
New Zealand	3	4	4	6	2	1	22 <sup>nd</sup>
North Ireland	1	4	4	6	2	1	19th
Poland	3	4	2	6	3	0	19th
Portugal			3	4	2		19 <sup>th</sup>
Russia	3	3	2	2	1	1	21 <sup>st</sup>
San Marino	0	0	0	5	1	1	19th
Scotland	3	3	4	5	1	1	19th
Serbia & Mont.	2	2	3	4	3	0	12th
Slovak Rep.	2	2	2	4	3	0	21 <sup>st</sup>
Slovenia	3	4	4	6		3	16th
Switzerland	0	4	4	6	4		17th
Turkey	3	4	4	6	3	0	21 <sup>st</sup>
Ukraine	0	0	0	4	1	0	21 <sup>st</sup>
United States	3	4	4	6		3	19th
Wales	3	4	4	6	2	1	19th

It is proving to be very difficult to allocate countries to the official accommodation so we have:

- Made provisional bookings for official teams only.
- It will be very important that you let us know if there are any changes to the size and make-up of your team as it affects the accommodation for all teams.
- **Most important: You must reconfirm exactly what day you expect to arrive in Wellington.**

***Preliminary Entry Invitation***

Later this month you will receive an invitation from Athletics New Zealand calling for preliminary entries. The deadline for the preliminary entries will be February 28<sup>th</sup> but it will help us considerably in our planning if you can inform us as early as possible.

If you have any questions then please contact me direct. I will be happy to help.

Kind regards

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