



NEWSLETTER 2

1 June 2005

In less than four months we will be welcoming the international mountain running fraternity to Wellington. We are excited by the prospect.

Recently we held the Athletics NZ national Championships on the course for the World Trophy. It was a great day and the Championships attracted a very good crowd, so it looks very promising for the World Trophy. Feedback from the competitors has been very positive though they all found the course tough!

Winning times were:

Junior Women: Ruth Croft in 23 minutes 35 seconds
Junior Men: Hayden McLaren in 41 minutes 35 seconds
Elite Women: Melissa Moon in 41 minutes 52 seconds
Elite Men: Phil Costley in 58 minutes 52 seconds

Check out full results and photos on our website www.mountainrunning.org.nz

Booking with Qantas

Qantas has informed us that you should now direct your air travel inquiries to wlgsales@qantas.com.au. Be very careful with the spelling of Qantas. Our apologies if you have not had a response from Qantas recently but they have sorted the problem and are ready to make your bookings.

Remember that you must book your flights before July 31st, 2005 and then provide names to Qantas by August 31st, 2005.

Air Travel Subsidies

We will 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	US\$315 per person
Ex Americas	US\$157.50 per person
Ex Pacific / Australia / South East Asia	No subsidy

Provisional Accommodation Bookings

We have made provisional accommodation bookings for all teams that have pre-entered. However, September is extremely busy in Wellington so the earlier we can confirm your team's booking the better. Note that for many countries we have you down as arriving in Wellington on September 19th.

- 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: Reconfirm as early as possible what day you expect to arrive in Wellington.**

Open Race and Wind Turbine Run

Entry forms for these two races will be on our website before June 30th. You will be able to enter on line. The Wind Turbine is an uphill only race on Sunday September 18th and the Open Race is at 7.30am on September 25th.

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

Kind regards

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