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ARGENTINA
MAR DEL PLATA 2015



Team South Africa Update

Registration Update.

We received the following message from the WTGF, we will keep you updated:

Dear Member of WTGF

We realise that you are waiting for a long time for the final information to allow you and your teams to register for the forthcoming World Transplant Games in Argentina this year. Normally by now, we would hope to have an informative official website with much information and also for the registration to be open with the price of the Games announced.

I am writing to you today on behalf of the Executive and Council of the WTGF to state that despite our very best efforts over many months, including an exceptional visit by our General Secretary Gary Green to Argentina, we are finding it very difficult to obtain the necessary information for you to make a decision to attend the Games. WTGF will only allow an LOC to continue with an event in our name if we are fully satisfied that the organisation of such an event is absolutely to the high standard that we dictate in our Agreement with an LOC - the sports venues, the accommodations, the food and all facilities, the transport and the most important medical and safety procedures have to be in place and absolutely agreed by us.

Unless and until WTGF is totally satisfied that all these elements are in place for the 2015 Games, we cannot open the registration system and therefore we ask you now to be patient for 1 more week in order to allow us to be assured that all the necessary measures are taken to satisfy our high standards. We are working daily with the Argentinean Government and ensuring these Games are held professionally with the highest degree of safety in mind is our number one priority.

We also appreciate that many people have also committed financially to attend these Games and we are doing everything to protect the interests of the transplant community worldwide which has always relied on our

leadership for the successful delivery of these Games for many years.

Best regards

Olivier Coustere

On behalf of the Council of WTGF

Team SA named for 2015 World Transplant Games

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South Africa's team to take on the world at this year's World Transplant Games in Mar del Plata, Argentina was announced yesterday.

An initial squad of 57 of the country's finest transplant athletes has been named, spread over 10 codes, from track and field to tennis.

Sporting codes that Team South Africa will contest at the Games (from 23 August to 30 August) are the following: athletics, badminton, cycling, swimming, squash, golf, petanque, ten pin bowling, tennis and road running.

TEAM SOUTH AFRICA

Jacques Boshoff, Kristen Henry, Brett Howburg, Banele Kgomo, Thato Makhubedu, Talenta Mahlangu, Masego Molefi, Yolandie Adendorf, Sean Adriaanse, Kevin Agnew, Mark Agnew, Winston Balada, Anil Balkamund, Rose-Marie Banchilon, JP Cawood, Cathy de Beer, Vivian de Klerk, Lisa du Plessis, Martinique du Preez, Robyn Emslie, Wikus Esterhuizen, Roy Govender, Anton Grobler, Stan Henkeman, Lesley Hurlbatt, Norokwane Itumeleng, Sonja James, Travis Janse van Rensburg, Johan Kleingeld, Dick Kruger, Kosie Laubscher, Johannes Lombaard, Nora Lombaard, Brian Lombard, Suretha Maartens, Frans Maluleka, Gawie Marx, Daniel Matsoso, Lebohang Moabeng, Harold Moore, Ed Ormond, Johnny Pareira da Silva, Lloyd Perry, Derrick Pillay, Pierre Potgieter, Anton Roux, Nombeko Rwaxa, Kuhlula Shilubane, Elsa Siedle, Constance Sithebe, Tersia Smit, Ettienne Steyn, Hermann Steyn, Heilie Uys, Stephan van den Berg, Gerhard van Dyk and Janike Venter.

Management: Hermann Steyn (Team Manager), Stan Henkeman (Team Captain), Anton Roux (Vice-Captain), Constance Sithebe (Vice-Captain)

- See more at: <https://www.facebook.com/TeamSouthAfricaTransplant>

MEMBERS STORIES

Our Chairman's Story



My name is Stanley Henkeman and I was the recipient of a new heart on 13 February 2007. Like so many of my fellow South African transplant Sports Association (SATSA) colleagues I gratefully grabbed my second chance and chose to show my gratitude through physical activity. I have been fortunate to represent my country at three World Transplant Games where we have always been in the top ten participating countries. 2013, when South Africa hosted the Games, was a wonderful exception

because we were placed in third place behind Great Britain and the USA respectively. The successful hosting was largely due to the amazing financial and material support we received from entities within the country. The National Lotteries Board, The Department of Sport and Recreation the KZN Provincial Government and the Ethekwini Municipality helped to make these Games one of the best in the history of the World Transplant Games Federation.

I was fortunate to serve on the Local Organising Committee and was humbled by the way in which South Africans are able to make things happen under difficult circumstances. As an athlete, and captain of the national team, this proved to be the best Games I had attended. I had the rare honour of reading the Athletes' Pledge on behalf of all the athletes from 49 countries. As a team we are looking forward to attend the 2015 Games in Argentina to again prove our metal against the best in the world. This dream is unfortunately a distant one for most of our athletes because of the cost implications. The majority of our members are not able to pay their way and it would be a shame if we were not able to take our place as a leading country. The SATSA team is probably one of the most representative national teams in that it represents all the provinces, all races, urban and rural, males and female and adults and children. This team represents the rainbow nation in all its diversity. Like me, coming from Bonteheuwel on the Cape Flats, there are many athletes who come from difficult backgrounds and circumstances.

Your support can make it possible for us to send a team to Argentina that will not only consist of people with the means to pay their way but all athletes who deserve to be there on merit.

KNOW YOUR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE



Back: Robyn Emslie (Chairperson EC); Trevor Gird (Chairperson NW/FS); Richard Siedle (Chairperson KZN); Hermann Steyn (Executive Secretary), Dick Kruger (Treasurer), Jolene Kleinschmidt (WC), Tracey Jegels (WC)
Front: Alice Vogt (Gaut), Elsa Siedle (KZN), Stan Henkeman (Chairman), Maryke Gird (FS/NW)
Absent: Anton Roux (Vice-Chairman), Anton Grobler (FS/NW), Cathy de Beer (KZN)

Full details of the Committee available from Executive Secretary

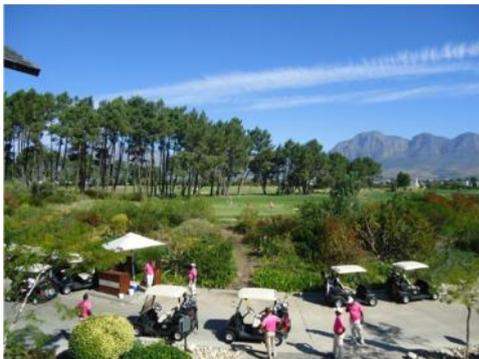
EXSA GOLF DAYS



One of our star athletes, Kosie Laubscher has a passion for organ donation. His daughter Jacome was born with glaucoma and received her first corneal transplant at the age of 2 years. Since then she has received numerous transplants.

After Kosie's kidney transplant he realised how important a "New Life" is and has committed himself to raise funds to promote organ donation and transplantation.

His EXSA golf days the past few years at Pearl Valley Golf Estate were exceptionally successful and we thank him and the EXSA team for their passion and commitment. The golf day this year was held on the 13th April and again, was very successful. The monies raised is spent on advertisements in newspapers, on the radio and also to register organ donors by having awareness stands at various events such as at blood donor clinics. He is also busy arranging educational talks on organ donation at schools.



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