



2016 Canoe Slalom Junior Team Selection

Supporting Statement

The Selection panel selected athletes for the 2016 Junior Slalom Team based on the published policy.

The Selectors consider the final ranking of athletes based on the best 3 from 4 trials.

In considering clause 5.10 The list of Athletes who made the top 3 and percentage are

K1 M

Tristan Carter, Tim Coward

C1 M

Tristan Carter, Lachie Bassett

C1W

Billie Knell

Based on clause 5.13 the selectors Included Tim Coward in C1M as he had achieved % in KM1.

Also based on clause 5.13 it was a concern that in race 3 & 4 there were no K1W that had reached percentage and only one C1W, this would not be beneficial for future development in these categories. Given that none of the female athletes were on the Team last year and there is a clear need for development work in this age group and to address the gender balance in the team, the first three K1W were added to the team.

Two of the K1W Athletes added had achieved Top 3 ranking in C1W and so were added to C1W. We extended discretion to Louis Richardson to allow for balance and to be able to field a K1M Team. We did also consider the need for there to be development of Athletes with another year as Juniors in K1M.

In applying clause 5.13 the selectors have exercised their discretion and understand this carries an element of subjectivity. In applying the subjectivity we have clearly respected the rankings. We hope that due to improving standards of our junior athletes this will not be an issue in future Junior Team selection.

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