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Kaprun (AUT) hosts FIS Aid & Promotion Training camp

The FIS Aid & Promotion Programme is soon to commence this year's FIS Training Camp in Slalom and Giant Slalom. The training programme which has been created to boost the development of skiers from Developing Ski Nations will take place at central European ski resorts during three periods of time under the keen guidance of experienced coaches and trainers.

The first part of the camp will take place in Kaprun (AUT) from the 2nd – 8th July 2005 for all athletes who are within the limit of a maximum of 120 FIS points for Slalom and/or Giant Slalom. National Ski Associations who were invited to enlist their participants by 15th June have had the chance to register three athletes each for the training camp and 59 athletes from 22 different nations have now been registered to attend.

By the end of the camp in Kaprun in which training exercises will both take place on and off the glacier, a selection will be made for the second and third part of the programme by which 35 athletes (Men and Ladies) will be chosen and divided into three groups.

FIS supports the training programme by covering full board accommodation, lift passes, transportation to the training & competition sites, training equipment (use of slalom poles, etc.) as well as payment for entry into various competitions, as well as the coaching.

Janica Kostelic (CRO) up for prestigious award

Croatian skier Janica Kostelic, who finished second after Anja Paersson (SWE) in the

race for the overall FIS Alpine World Cup Ladies title, is set to add another piece of silverware to her endless collection of trophies as she is nominated to receive the International Fair Play Prize.

The purpose of the Prize, which was instituted in 1997 in a collaboration between the IOC and the Italian Olympic Committee is to award a prize to sports personalities for their initiatives and high moral standards in relation to Fair Play. The prize is set to be awarded on 1 July in Arezzo (ITA) in a ceremony featuring a number of established athletes.

Vancouver (CAN) on track for 2010 Olympic Winter Games

While preparations for Olympic Winter Games in Turin are approaching the final phase, the planning for the design of venues in relation to the 2010 Olympic Winter Games in Vancouver (CAN) is already well under way with key personnel being appointed.

During the recent FIS Council Meeting in Munich (GER), members were updated on the state of developments for the Games by FIS Council member Patrick Smith. An environmental review is underway for the Freestyle and Snowboard site at Cypress Mountain with the construction scheduled to commence in spring 2006 for completion in autumn 2007. Construction of the Nordic venue, site of Biathlon, Ski Jumping, Nordic combined and Cross Country ski events in 2010 is moving ahead following a rigorous review involving consultation with the public, stakeholder groups and First Nations.

The 250-hectare project involves competition trails, ski jumps, a biathlon facility, three temporary stadiums each with spectator capacity of 12,000,

sewer/water/power services, access roads and internal roads, parking lots, a lodge and other related infrastructure facilities in the Callaghan Valley, south west of the Whistler Resort.

Dear Friends of FIS,

Should you have any feedback, comments, you are most welcome to send them to me at: frandsen@fis.ch. "FIS Newsflash" will not only be distributed via e-mail but also be published in the News section of the FIS Website.

Best regards

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