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2013 NATIONAL ORIENTEERING TEAM ANNOUNCED! Strong team heading to Finland for World Champs!

JUNE 10, 2013 (Calgary, AB) – Orienteering Canada's High Performance Committee (HPC) is excited to announce the athletes, who will represent Canada at the World Orienteering Championships (WOC), July 6th to 14th in Vuokatti, Finland. The team is a solid balance of experience and youth. The team is as follows:

MEN:

Will Critchley - Edmonton, AB
Eric Kemp - Ottawa, ON
Sergei Logvin - Oakville, ON
Robbie Anderson - Ottawa, ON

WOMEN:

Louise Oram - Vancouver, BC
Emily Kemp - Ottawa, ON
Kerstin Burnett - Whitehorse, YT

Alternates

Jeff Teutsch- Ottawa, ON
Damian Konotopetz - Winnipeg, MB

With a number of talented athletes vying for a place on the team this year, the selection process was competitive. "We chose the strongest team to best represent Canada. The athletes all show great strengths in different disciplines." said Mike Waddington; who along with Magali Robert and committee chairperson Brian May formed the selection committee. Orienteering Canada would like to thank Brian, Mike, and Magali for their time, energy, and dedication to high performance orienteering.

This year Orienteering Canada has engaged the voluntary services of Toni Louhisola as national team coach. Toni is a former Top 20 ranked orienteer from Finland, whose skills as a coach have been crucial in the rise of the British national team. Team Canada anticipates that those same skills, as well as his knowledge of Finnish terrain, will help propel our athletes to succeed this year. Team member Eric Kemp has found working with Toni incredibly useful; "...working with Toni is both rewarding and revealing. You know you've entered the big leagues when you zip around a race thinking you've nailed it, only to be told your planning was mediocre."

With the proposed changes to the qualification format, it will be important for Canada to place strongly in the long, middle, and relay races, in order to maximize qualification slots for 2014. "We anticipate strong results from all team members this year", said Alison Price, chairperson of the HPC. "Each athlete has personal performance goals. This is set to be an exciting year for Team Canada."

You can follow the progress of Team Canada on the [Team Canada blog](#), on [Facebook](#), and on Twitter @OrienteeringCAN.

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