OLYMPIC FUN DAY

DATE 26 June 2009

VENUE Gontse Primary School, Soshanguve

MISSION
To have an Olympic Fun Day promoting Olympic Values, researching other cultures and countries and uniting through the Confederation Cup

GOALS
1. To unite all countries in friendship, peace, fair play and respect
2. To create trust among all nationalities
3. To introduce the values of the Olympic symbols and traditions
4. Getting to know other countries in uniting during the Confed Cup
5. Addressing xenophobia violence through respect and friendship
6. To have a fun filled sport day

CAPACITY BUILDING
Applied implementation of knowledge gained at previous workshops
- Olympic symbols and traditions
- Olympism – friendship, respect, fair play, peace
- Event management
- Public speaking
- Checklists – duty/time frame/responsible person

PRESENTATION
The day was presented by the Youth Sport Forum of Altus-Sport-Vuma. The event was made possible by the support of GTZ’s Youth Development through Football (YDF) project

WELCOME & MESSAGE
Les Williams, Vice President of the South African Sport Confederation and Olympic Committee welcomed all and delivered a message based on the Olympic values

PARTICIPANTS
Africa United Team who consisted of participants from
Mozambique
Lesotho
Zambia
Namibia
Ghana
Botswana

PARTICIPANTS TOTAL: 192 male, 206 female = 398
Girls and boys from the following Primary Schools in Tshwane participated:

*Eendracht, Inner City*
*Onverwacht, Onverwacht*
*Gontse, Klipkruisfontein*
*Ikeleng, Winterveldt*
*Tlo Tlompho, Ga-Rankuwa*
*Manamelong, Winterveldt*
*Lesego, Ga-Rankuwa*
*Siamisang, Winterveldt*
*Koos Matli, Mamelodi*

Street soccer teams from
*Winterveldt 8 team*
*Eastern Cape team*
*Mpumalanga team*
*Mamelodi 8 team*

**ALTUS-SPORT-VUMA YOUTH SPORT LEADERS**
Twenty seven youths – 17 male 10 female

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*The team representing Spain*

**THE OLYMPIC MOTTO**

*CITIUS - ALTUS – FORTIUS*

*CITIUS:*
Faster – not just the feet, but also in the sense of speed of comprehension and sharpness of mind

*ALTUS:*
Higher – not just towards a goal, but also towards the moral growth of the individual

*FORTIUS:*
Stronger – not just for events in the stadium, but also to face the trials of life
PROGRAMME

9:00 “Country” parade around the field
1 GREECE
2 BOTSWANA
3 BRAZIL (Con Fed)
4 DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO
5 EGYPT (Con Fed)
6 GHANA
7 IRAQ (Con Fed)
8 ITALY (Con Fed)
9 MALAWI
10 MOZAMBIQUE
11 NEW ZEALAND (Con Fed)
12 SOMALIA
13 SPAIN (Con Fed)
14 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (Con Fed)
15 ZAMBIA
16 SOUTH AFRICA (Con Fed)

“Head of State” proclaims the games open

“I declare open the “Games of Tshwane” celebrating the
3rd Olympiad of the modern era”

Olympic anthem is played and Olympic flag hoisted

The “sun’s rays” ignites the flame through a parabolic mirror
and the Priestess hands over the torch to the first runner

OLYMPIC MESSAGE

THE IMPORTANT THING IN THE OLYMPIC GAMES IS NOT WINNING BUT TAKING PART AS THE
ESSENTIAL THING IN LIFE IS NOT CONQUERING BUT FIGHTING WELL!
Relay runners bring in the torch and the Olympic flame is lit (below)

The Flame of Friendship and Respect

Judge’s and participant’s oaths are read

National anthem sung
ACTIVITIES

Streetsoccer

Basketball
“Egg” & Spoon race

Sack race

Wheelbarrow race

Of course the vuvuzela was there!
Water race

Broom Hockey
Medal ceremony by Irene Lukassowitz, YDF

2nd Medal ceremony by Richard Cupido, Youth Sport Leader

Participants enjoying lunch
CULTURAL EVENTS

Tswanas performing

Gospel Choir from Ga-Rankuwa singing
RESEARCH PROJECTS

Each school completed a research task on the country they represented. Excellent tasks were displayed and the Evaluation Committee had a tough decision to make!

A jubilant winning school for the best task!

Siamisang Primary School from Winterveldt (L) receiving their cheque of R 1 000 for the best task
CERTIFICATES

Each participant and school received a certificate of participation.

EVALUATION

1. Once again as in the previous year the Educators found the event extremely educative and expressed the wish for more literature and education on Olympism. Lack of knowledge in this field was obvious.
2. The necessity of visiting the participating schools prior to the event to provide more detail on Olympism became evident.
3. Through observation and discussions it was obvious that the learners found the event exciting and enjoyable.
4. It was most encouraging that no negative incident occurred between our local learners and those of foreign countries.
5. The Managers of the learners from the other African countries, particularly from Zambia and Malawi requested that the concept of this Olympic Day also be conducted in their countries – negotiations will follow.
6. The Youth Sport Leaders of Altus-Sport-Vuma did a wonderful job by successfully presenting the event – applied knowledge!
7. The principles of the Streetsoccer Life Skill Score Card were applied and the effect on the players was positive – friendship and respect prevailed.
8. The Gontse Primary School as venue proved to be an ideal facility. The facility was kept in excellent condition, easy accessible, clean environment and logistically no problems occurred.
9. The PA system gave in as a result of an electrical defect but it fortunately did not put a damper on the excitement of the day and the programme continued with the support of a megaphone.
10. The effect of the principles of Olympism as an educational tool to address xenophobia, violence and to promote peace, friendship, respect and fair play should not be underestimated.
RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Olympic Day again be conducted next year (2010), firstly to support the appeal by the IOA to annually celebrate the educational values of the Olympic Movement and secondly to highlight the 2010 Streetsoccer Festival and Soccer World Cup in South Africa
2. To visit schools more often on Olympism sessions
3. Pending on the budget to invite more schools in Southern Africa and other local provinces
4. Over and above the tasks on countries represented to have an art competition between the schools symbolizing the Olympic values
5. To rotate the venue to another area in Tshwane – previous areas were Mamelodi, Hatfield and Soshanguve South
6. To train more local Youth Sport Leaders on Event Management and Olympism
7. To streamline our M&E system in order to measure the impact of the educational values on the learners and educators more specific

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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- Irene Lukassowitz of GTZ/YDF for her attendance and handing over of medals
- Consultant Nils Langefeld for spending the day with us and taking photos
- The Principal, Mrs MJ Mpepele and Gideon of the Gontse Primary School for their positive attitude towards this day and the use of the school’s facilities - everybody only had praise for the school’s neat environment and well-kept facilities
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- Vsa Mali from the 2010 Organizing Committee for having made available FIFA Football for Hope banners
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- Caterers Nonceba and Marius for the participant’s and VIP’s lunch
- The Soshanguve Tswana and Ga-Rankuwa Choir cultural performances
- Youth Sport Forum members of Altus-Sport-Vuma for their great input
- The Learners, Educators and Managers from the Tshwane and foreign countries’ schools for their well disciplined and enthusiastic participation
- GTZ/YDF for having made the event possible