

CAMP SLOVAKIA 2014

3rd International Summer Camp of Pétanque Youth

28 – 30 August
Manor House Kočovce



Place

Education and recreation centre of Slovak Technical University Bratislava Manor House Kočovce



The first records about municipality Kočovce date back to 1321, when Karol Róbert gave the settlement to Ján Kočovský.

In 1730, a man named Juraj Prílesný had a Baroque manor house built there. In 1880, it was rebuilt with Romanticism features and widened to a 1-floor three-wing building with an open veranda at the main entrance.

The manor house is surrounded by a rich and beautiful park founded in 1883 – 84. The core planting represents domestic types of broadleaved and coniferous species, later gradually enriched by exotic species or other modern elements.

The park paths offer excellent and varied pétanque surfaces of different technical levels and provide for organisation of pétanque competitions in beautiful park environment.

Participants

England

Amphlett Vikki
Bell Connie
Blyton Annabelle
Fletcher Lewis
Mellen Sam
Shoesmith Jess
coach Blyton Matthew
coach White Claire



Hungary

Babai Gábor
Bús Benedek
Kopasz Zoltán
Környei Dávid
Takács Hunor
coach János Drienyovszki



Austria

Krauss Christian
Majnaric Selina
Majnaric Vanessa
Obasuyi Jeniffer
Yahyai Selma
Yahyai Sophia
coach Schimak Gerald

Germany

Ams Theresa
Beil Luzia
Probst Dominique
Weckemann Nadja
Weißäcker Ann-Katrin
Zimmer Michele
coach Wormer Bernd
coach Schirmer Andrea



Slovakia

Bellová Simona
Blahušiak Patrik
Hrotek Daniel
Janči Michal
Lampert Martin
Ľudvík Dominik
Mach Juraj
Meluš Matej
Radačovský Jerguš
Sýkora David
Sýkora Juraj
Šebeňa Patrik
Šebeňová Alexandra
Tomka Lukáš
Volárik Michal

Organisers

Jana Lazarová
Andrea Fratričová
Igor Košík



Educator Alexander Bauer, Germany

Like in 2013, the educator of the Camp Slovakia was Alexander Bauer, former Vice-President of the German Pétanque Union (DPV).



A. Bauer significantly contributed to creation of the necessary structures within the DPV; the term of sport competitions was fulfilled mostly by him. In DPV he was responsible for coordination of all sport activities and for care about players. He cooperated with the Union's national trainer Daniel Voisin, the legend of pétanque.

A. Bauer has great theoretical and practical knowledge of pétanque.





Programme – Day 1

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Practical training with evaluated pointing and shooting exercises in 10 stations

- The trainer Alex prepared 10 diversely focused stations of different challenging, which were conducted and evaluated by all present trainers
- The players circulated to take part in all the stations
- Emphasis was put on personal work of the players, individual decision making about solution of the given situation, correct playing habits (choice and filling of the chosen „donné“, walking to the situation, etc.), planning of a solution, proper estimation of one's own abilities, thinking one step ahead, technical execution, i.e. successfulness of the realisation of the chosen solution
- Each of the coaches then gave each player a comment, feedback, advice, evaluation...
- Each station was played for points



Programme – Day 2

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Practical training / Precision Shooting Competition

- Continuation of the training
- division into several groups:

- A. Matches

- B. Observers, viewers, supporters, simulators of the competition atmosphere

- C. Technical stations



- Parallel to the training, there was a precision shooting competition

- Since the competition in shooting was for all the Camp participants, a very positive fact was that even those who normally do not take part in shooting competitions had a chance to experience the feeling this discipline brings and feel the adrenaline; moreover, they learned how to put up the particular figures

- 7 (!!!) Slovak players and the only girl – an Austrian Selma Yahyai (pictured right), “shot” their way into the best 8

- The first 3 places were taken by the Slovaks



Precision Shooting in Facts

Basic Rounds – 8 Best

- Lukáš Tomka – 35 points
- Martin Lampert – 32 p.
- Matej Meluš – 23 p.
- Jerguš Radačovský – 22 p.
- Patrik Šebeňa – 22 p.
- Selma Yahyai – 21 p.
- Dominik Ľudvik – 20 p.
- David Sýkora – 16 p.

¼ Finals

- Lukáš Tomka – 25 p. vs David Sýkora – 10 p.
- Jerguš Radačovský - 15 p. vs Patrik Šebeňa – 11 p.
- Matej Meluš – 5 p. vs Selma Yahyai – 16 p.
- Martin Lampert – 11 p. vs Dominik Ľudvik – 10 p.

(from the beginning of this duel on, all the shooting took place under bad light conditions)

½ Finals

- Jerguš Radačovský - 16 p. vs Lukáš Tomka – 15 p.
- Martin Lampert – 12 p. vs Selma Yahyai – 8 p.

FINAL

- Jerguš Radačovský - 1 p. vs Martin Lampert – 30 p.

For 3rd Place

- Lukáš Tomka – 15 p. vs Selma Yahyai – 5 p.

Final Placement

- 1 **Martin Lampert**
- 2 Jerguš Radačovský
- 3 Lukáš Tomka
- 4 Selma Yahyai
- 5- 8 Patrik Šebeňa
Dominik Ľudvik
David Sýkora
Matej Meluš



Precision Shooting in Pictures



Programme – Day 3

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Triples Competition

GROUP A										GROUP B									
Country#		NAMES								Country#		NAMES							
Team 1	SLK 4	Michal - Juri - Juraj								Team 1	SLK 1	Jergi - Dado - David							
Team 2	SLK 2	Paťo - Matej - Saška								Team 2	SLK 3	Patrik - Mshino - Simi							
Team 3	HUN-SLK	David H - Zoli - Dado								Team 3	HUN	Hunor - Gabo - Benedek							
Team 4	GER 2	Domino - Nadja - Luiza								Team 4	GER 1	Anne-Katja - Theresa - Michelle							
Team 5	ENG 2	Jess - Annabelle - Lewis								Team 5	ENG 1	Connie - Vikki - Sam							
Team 6	AUT 1	Sophia - Vanessa - Jenny								Team 6	AUT 2	Christian - Selma - Selina							

1:2 SLK 4	SLK 2	3:4 HUN-SLK	GER 2	5:6 ENG 2	AUT 1	1:2 SLK 1	SLK 3	3:4 HUN	GER 1	5:6 ENG 1	AUT 2
1:3 SLK 4	HUN-SLK	4:5 GER 2	ENG 2	2:6 SLK 2	AUT 1	1:3 SLK 1	HUN	4:5 GER 1	ENG 1	2:6 SLK 3	AUT 2
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1:5 SLK 4	ENG 2	3:2 HUN-SLK	SLK 2	4:6 GER 2	AUT 1	1:5 SLK 1	ENG 1	3:2 HUN	SLK 3	4:6 GER 1	AUT 2
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A	T1	T2	T3	T4	T5	T6	W	R	B	T1	T2	T3	T4	T5	T6	W	R
SLK 4	8:12	4:13	10:3	8:7	15:8	3	3	3	SLK 1	9:5	15:0	8:7	3:11	8:3	4	20	2
SLK 2	12:8	10:12	15:12	12:4	3:13	3	2	3	SLK 3	5:8	7:5	5:12	5:3	10:8	3	3	3
HUN-SLK	12:9	12:4	0:13	3:11	5:13	2	5	5	HUN	0:13	5:7	0:13	3:11	2:13	0	14	6
GER 2	7:10	12:13	13:0	4:8	9:12	1	6	6	GER 1	7:8	12:5	13:0	8:4	13:0	4	1	1
ENG 2	7:8	4:12	11:3	8:4	9:10	2	4	4	ENG 1	11:9	3:5	11:9	4:8	8:9	2	4	4
AUT 1	9:13	13:5	13:5	12:9	10:9	4	1	1	AUT 2	3:8	8:10	13:2	0:13	9:8	2	5	5

FINAL	AUSTRIA 1	13 : 12	GERMANY 1	1. AUSTRIA 1
3 rd PLACE	SLOVAKIA 2	5 : 13	SLOVAKIA 1	2. GERMANY 1
5 th PLACE	SLOVAKIA 4	4 : 13	SLOVAKIA 3	3. SLOVAKIA 1
7 th PLACE	ENGLAND 2	4 : 13	ENGLAND 1	4. SLOVAKIA 2
9 th PLACE	Hungary-Slovakia	13 : 3	AUSTRIA 2	5. SLOVAKIA 3
11 th PLACE	GERMANY 2	5 : 13	HUNGARY	6. SLOVAKIA 4



Competition Winners

Camp in Words - 1

This year the invitation for the Camp was accepted by 5 countries – Austria (6 juniors, 1 coach), England (6 juniors, 2 coaches), Germany (6 juniors 2 coaches), Hungary (6 juniors, 1 coach), and the homester Slovakia (15 juniors/espoirs), all together 39 players and 7 coaches.



The base stone of the Camp was attendance of an educator. We are very glad that, like the last year, our invitation was accepted by Alexander Bauer from Germany. Alex has much experience and he is also capable of sharing it. Moreover, he is an excellent person with a humane approach. It was obvious he put his all into the preparation and realisation. He shared his heart and again showed his professionalism and precision in full range. And the result was enthusiasm of the participants and their thanks for a lot of precious advice and both practical and theoretical knowledge. Thank you, Alex.

The quality of the Camp was elevated by the presence of the foreign guests. For the first time, there were teams from England, Germany, and Hungary, supported by their national federations and trainers. They were so amazed by the Camp that they immediately asked if they could come next year again. ☺



One of the "fix stars" of the Camp are Austrians. Their delegation was again led by Gerald Schimak, our long-year cooperater in the area of youth pétanque. We thank him for helping us develop this idea on the international level, and for supporting us by participating with his teams again this year.

For supporting the idea of a training camp for children and youth in form of participation, we also thank all the other participating coaches, for, without them, and their often insufficiently appreciated work, the idea of the Camp would be just an empty word. Thank you, Matt and Claire (England), Bernd and Andrea (Germany), János (Hungary).

The same amount of gratitude goes to all the foreign and Slovak players for their enthusiastic and disciplined attitude and trust they give the adults who lead them.



Camp in Words - 2

It makes us happy that the good name of the Camp is spreading around "the world". But, most of all, we are happy that the Camp is popular among the Slovak junior/espoir players. For, they are those for whom the idea came up.

We wish this generation of players knows what the real pétanque is. We want them to understand its complexity and multi-layered nature. We hope each of them advances onto the world level. We desire that our young top players keep pace with their world peers, and that they understand that in first-rate pétanque, like in any other activity, if one wants to be good, they must dedicate hours and hours to trainings, and best with somebody who has the proper knowledge of it, so that they do not fall into bad habits – both technical and mental.

We are glad to have seen the participants learning a lot, measuring their strength with peers, testing their own abilities and stamina, intensifying old friendships and creating new ones, international.

Thanks to the whole organisation team – to Jana Lazarová, initiator of the idea and main organiser; to Andrea Fratričová for support, development and co-realisation of the idea; to Igor Košík for financial coverage; to Michal Stano and Lenka Lenčuchová for assistance transportation.

An extra thanks for extraordinary welcome and care goes to Mr. Kudláček, manager of the manor house Kočovce, his wife Jana, and the whole personnel of the manor house (especially to the cooks for yummy meals).



See you next year, at the 4th CAMP SLOVAKIA.

To conclude...

