

PRESS RELEASE

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World Rafting Championship (WRC) is the highest whitewater competition event for rapid running community. Indonesian Rapid Running Federation (FAJI) as the national body for rafting will host WRC in 2015. One of the provisions to host International Rafting Federation (IRF) is organizing Pre World Rafting Championship (WRC) a year before the implementation of the WRC 2015.

Pre WRC committee headed by Marine Second Division Commander, Brigadier General (Marine) Denny Kurniadi. Supported by Indonesia Marine Corps, operator of rafting tour companies operating in Citarik and district governments of Sukabumi as well as Ministry of Tourism. The competition itself occurred from December 1st till 3rd December, 2014. The competition consist of four disciplines. Sprint and Head To Head competed on the first day, Monday. Tuesday the second day Slalom race, and the last day Wednesday, December 3rd, Down River Race.

In the category of women, DKI domination was unrivaled. The whole first place of all four discipline swept by the girls from Indonesia capital. They gained a perfect 1000 score. Alternately West Java was ranked second in the Sprint and Head To Head, North Sulawesi second at Slalom, and Banten ranks second in the Down River Race.

In the Men's category with West Java against Jakarta competition is very tight. Till day two of the competition DKI superiority only gain 12 points above its rival West Jawa. In Race Down River Race first place is granted 400 points, Second place gets 352 points. Any of the two rivals who came out to be the winner will win the overall rank. . The overall winner will represent Indonesia in the World Rafting Championship 2015.

The confirmation of Indonesia as the host meant a good chance of achieving the highest rank. Jakarta and West Java both of course wanted to represent the Red White national flag in the international arena.

Finally DKI won the overall when their boat passed the finish line after a grueling 12kilometers long river rapids running. The men of DKI fought their course among the four teams of each departure. During Down River Race all competitor are batched into groups of four boats. The first departure pukul 8.30 Capital team, competing with West Java, Jakarta 2 (second team) and Central Java. DKI succeeded in stopping the clock at 50 minutes 59,48 second. While West Java was slower by one minute 4,23 second only.

Both female and male teams from DKI will represent Indonesia for the six rowers or IRF WRC R6, in November-December 2015 at Citarik - Cicitih Sukabumi, West Java.

Pieter Bekkers (56) International Rafting Federation (IRF) delegate rate the organizing of Pre the World Rafting Championship as good. All IRF requirements such facilities of lodging, consumption and equipment are adequate. Pieter Bekkers from Holland even praised the supporting committee of the Indonesia Marine Corps, also the Communities as juror, rescue teams and technical personnel of the races. As well as the tour operator Arus Liar, Caldera, Kaki Langit and Selaras in Citarik River Subdistrict Cikidang, Sukabumi.

Pre-WRC supported by the Navy Marine Corps of the Republic of Indonesia, where May Je n Marine Faridz Washington is the Chairman of the Board of (PB) FAJI. Ministry of Tourism and the Local Government of Sukabumi also supported the organizing of the international event.

Meet you all next year at IRF World Rafting Championship 2015, Citarik Cicitih Sukabumi, Indonesia.

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