



SYNCHRO CANADA GETTING READY FOR BEIJING

August 27 – Montreal QC - After a very busy week, Synchro Canada is pleased to make several announcements. The first phase of team selection for the Olympic Games in Beijing took place in Montreal this past weekend. A pool of 14 athletes qualified to train at the Montreal Training Centre until the second phase of selection which will take place before Christmas. The fourteen athletes who qualified are as follows:

Marie-Pier Boudreau-Gagnon
Jessika Dubuc
Marie-Pierre Gagné
Jennifer Knobbs
Dominika Kopicik
Eve Lamoureux
Tracy Little
Élise Marcotte
Tanya Matson
Laura McClemon
Alison McKenny
Megan Poss
Isabelle Rampling
Jennifer Song

Diane Oigny, Chief Technical Officer, is confident the best fourteen athletes have been selected to compete at the qualifying meet for the Olympic Games. She adds that: "the process was fair and equitable for all and I am completely satisfied with the outcome of the weekend".

As part of their future planning, Synchro Canada also announced the coaching team that will work with the fourteen athletes in Montreal. Susan Kemper will be the Head Coach. A visionary, Susan is a level 5 NCCP coach and has a wide range of coaching experience. She has proven her leadership during last few years as head coach of the National B team. Denise Sauvé was named as a full-time Assistant Coach. Denise brings to the team of coaches several years of international experience within the A team program. She also has enormous artistic potential and a wealth of incredible knowledge acquired through her work with Cirque du Soleil. Finally, Nathalie Lagrange was named part-time assistant coach. Nathalie was head coach of the National Junior team that swept everything at the US Open in Hawaii this past summer.

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