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PERSONAL DETAILS

FIRST NAMES : Colin, Peter
SURNAME : Simpkins
IDENTITY NUMBER : 5804015084080
DATE OF BIRTH : 1 April 1958
SEX : Male
MARITAL STATUS : Married
NUMBER OF CHILDREN : Three.
DRIVER'S LICENCE : 08 & 02
NATIONALITY : South African
HOME LANGUAGE : English
OTHER LANGUAGES : Afrikaans (Speak, read and write)
CRIMINAL RECORD : Nil
HEALTH : Excellent

SCHOOL RECORD

LAST SCHOOL ATTENDED : Port Shepstone High School

HIGHEST STANDARD PASSED : Matric (with exemption)

SUBJECTS PASSED : English, Afrikaans, Mathematics,
Geography, Biology, Technical Drawing,

LEADERSHIP ROLES : School Prefect, House Athletics Captain,
Rotary Youth Leadership Course.

TERTIARY EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY ATTENDED : University of Natal (Pietermaritzburg)

YEARS ATTENDED : 1984 – 1988

DEGREES OBTAINED : Bachelor of Commerce
Bachelor of Commerce – Honours

MAJOR SUBJECTS : Purchasing Management, Advanced Business
Administration, Corporate Strategy.

AWARDS AND PRIZES : Best All Round Sportsman – 1985
Sportsman of the Year – 1986
Full Blues (Canoeing) – 1986
Protea Colours (Canoeing) – 1986, 1987, 1988
Performance of the year – 1988
Sports Administrator of The Year – 1988

LEADERSHIP ROLES : Chairman of University Canoe Club – (1985 –
1988)
Member of the Sports Union Executive
Committee (1985 – 1988)
Chairman – S.A. Universities Canoeing – 1988

EXTRAMURAL ACTIVITIES

PARTICIPATED IN : Surfing, Golf, Surf-Lifesaving, Ski Paddling,
Wild Water Rafting, Canoeing.

QUALIFICATIONS : Surf Proficiency Award
Advanced Resuscitation Award
Inshore Rescue Boat Drivers Certificate
Certificate in Marine Safety and Ocean

Life guarding (Huntington Beach, California
1982)

LEADERSHIP ROLES : Saints Lifesaving Captain (1978, 1979, 1980,
1982)
Saints Lifesaving Club – Senior Coach (1979,
1980, 1982, 1983)
Saints Lifesaving Club - Junior Coach (1979,
1980, 1982, 1983)
Saints Lifesaving Club Chairman (1983)
Southern Natal Lifesaving Captain (1980, 1982)
Lower South Coast Instructor (1983)
Jaycee Port Shepstone – Vice President (1982)
Natal Canoe Union – Chairman of Overseas
Tour Committee (1987)
Manager – Natal Team – Spain (1987)
Convenor – University Triathlon (1985 – 1986)
S.A. Wild Water/Slalom Chairman – 1993, 1994, 1995
Manager S.A team, Pre-worlds and Worlds WW - Italy
(1993, 1994)
Manager S.A. WW Team for Test against the French
1995
Captain – S.A. Wild Water Rafting Team (1993, 1994,
1995)
S.A. Wild Water Selector (2002 – 2007)
Dabulamanzi Canoe Club Chairman (2005, 2006, 2007)
Scottburgh Canoe Club Chairman (2010 - 2021)
KNCU Vice Chairman (2011/2012)
KNCU Treasurer (2014 – 2017)
CSA board (2012 – 2013)
CSA Secretary General (2014 – present)
Member of the ICF Ocean Racing Committee 2014 –
2021
Chairman of the ICF Ocean Racing Committee 2021 -
present

MAJOR SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

SURFING : Represented Southern Natal at the S.A. Surfing Championships
Nahoon Reef East London (1974)

LIFESAVING : Southern Natal Iron Man Champion (1980, 1981, 1982, 1984)
Southern Natal Senior Surf Board Champion (1980, 1981,
1982, 1984)
Southern Natal Surf Swim Champion (1982, 1984)
Southern Natal Victor Ludorum (1980, 1981, 1982, 1984)
Natal Marathon Man Champion (1980, 1981)
Scottburgh to Brighton Surf Board Champion (1980, 1981)
Natal Double Ski Champions (1986)

South African Double Ski Champions (1985)
South African Single Ski Team Champions (1985)
Selected to Represent S.A. in Lifeguard Exchange Programme
U.S.A. (1982)
South African Reel Alarm Champions (1988)
Selected for S.A. Lifesaving Team (1985)

SURF SKI : 3rd Port Elizabeth to East London Ski Race (1987)
Winner – Pirates/Umhlanga/Pirates Ski Race (1976, 1988,
1996)
2nd Scottburgh to Brighton Single Ski (1988)
2nd Scottburgh to Brighton Double Ski (1989)

CANOEING : Guinness Book of Records – K2 Crossing of the English
Channel (1986)
Guinness Book of Records – K1 Crossing of Loch Ness (1987)
Winner Umkomaas Marathon K2 (1986, 1988)
Winner Tugela Marathon (1988, 1999)
Natal Canoeist of the Year (1988)
Winner Fish River Marathon K2 (1991)
Winner Lowveld Croc Marathon K1 (1995)
Represented S.A. at Pre-worlds and Worlds WW (1993, 1994)
Silver Medal World Marathon Championships Veterans K2
Stockton (2001)
Winner Liffey Descent, Ireland (2001)
Gold Medal World Marathon Championships Veterans K2
Perth (2005)
Silver Medal World Marathon Championships Sub Masters
Brandenburg Germany (2016)
Bronze
Silver Medal World Marathon Championships Masters K2,
Pitesti, Romania (2021)
Bronze Medal World Marathon Championships Masters K2,
Ponte De Lime, Portugal (2022)
Gold Medal World Marathon Championships Masters K2,
Vejen, Denmark (2023).

GOLF : Winner – Fancourt Amateur Open (1997)
Current Handicap – 12

OTHER EXTRAMURAL

ACHIEVEMENTS: Jaycee Port Shepstone - Best Impromptu Speaker (1981, 1983)
Jayce Port Shepstone – Best Prepared Speaker (1983)
Jaycee Natal – Best Impromptu Speaker (1981)

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY :

1977 - 1980	Constable – South African Police Force
1980 - 1981	Lifeguard and Shark Mesher – Borough of Uvongo
1981 - 1982	Travelled Abroad
1982 - 1983	Natal Electronics – Security System Salesman
1984 - 1988	Student – University of Natal
1989	Purchasing Research Analyst – Toyota S.A. Manufacturing.
1989 - 2008	Owner/Manager Canoe Concepts
2008 - 2010	Property Development. Simpkins and Associates. Scottburgh.
2011 - 2017	Estate Manager – Abrams Crest Residential Estate – Kelso.
2014 – 2021	Secretary General Canoeing South Africa

ICF OCEAN RACING CHAIRMANSHIP

I competed in my first Ocean Race when I was 17 years old, in 1975.

Since then, Ocean Racing and Canoeing have occupied the majority of my life. Not only as a competitive sportsman, but as an administrator.

I began to serve the sport from a very young age, and have been on committees since then.

I have served on the ICF Ocean Racing Committee since 2014.

The discipline has fantastic potential, as it can be practiced almost anywhere, where there is a body of open water. It needs no facilities or courses.

There needs to be an increase in focus on safety, development and nurturing of relationships with the host of independent race organizers around the world.

I have been the chairman of the ICF Ocean Racing committee since the Rome congress. During this time, we have held successful world championships every year. Our discipline has secured bids for the world championships until 2028.

During my tenure, we have made significant changes to the ICF Ocean Racing rules, ensuring that the discipline does not lose its unique character.