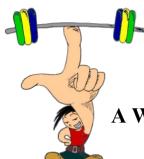








Oceania Weightlifting Federation



A WORLD RECORD ENTRIES FOR THE OTIP PROGRAM

11,165 STUDENTS

What an exceptional year 2018 turned out to be for the OTIP program. Record breaking number of entries, large female participation, and a great final training camp for all the students sent to New Caledonia. So much talent, that it is incredible to describe.

The great thing about this program is that it gives an equal opportunity to all students, irrespective of age and bodyweight and background. It gives them the opportunity to be the best they can be. Have a look at these two future champions. Young 12 year old Jaime Watson from New Zealand weighing 39.54kg. Then from Niue, we have 13 year old Inamata Togiavalu weighing 115.80kg. What a contrast and yet the sport of weightlifting through this project opens the door for these two young students to be Olympians one day.







Nancy Genzel Abouke- NAURU

At the conclusion of the training camp, all students competed in the Pacific Cup International. The standout at this tournament for the students was young 15 year old, Nancy Abouke from Nauru. She smashed all Oceania Youth records in the 64kg category by snatching 83kg and clean & jerking 103kg for a 186kg total. For those few students who missed out due to studies this time around they will be flown to New Caledonia early next year, when school time allows them a break. There is no question this program is unique. This program is so successful, that so far eight countries from around the world have enquired as to how the OWF actually runs the program.

The students at the training camp were individually supervised by Institute top lifters. Lifters like Dika Toua, Willie Tamasi, Jenly Wini, Mary Lifu, Eileen Cikamatana, Charisma Amoe-Tarrant, Tiiau Bakaekiri, Morea Baru, Ruben Katoatau, Larko Doguape, David Katoatau, Taretiita Tabaroua. And the program was overseen by Joe Vueti from Fiji and Paul Coffa.

The OWF is indebted to the City of Mont Dore, to CISE and the CTOS, for there valued support and assistance given to the OTIP program. Also many thanks must go to ONOC for supporting this project. Naturally, none of this could be achieved unless you have funds to run the program. And this is where the IWF, through the Continental Development Funds, have contributed fully, year after year, so that the OTIP program delivers the next generation of weightlifting champions. We are grateful to the President of the IWF, Dr. Tamas Ajan, for his huge support that he gives to this project, year after year. And obviously we are delighted to see that the numbers keep increasing year after year.

These are the students who attended the training camp from the 9th to 16th December.



Marcincy Cook - Nauru



Betty Waneasi – Solomon Islands



Anja Jennings New Zealand



Kilian Teyssier – New Caledonia



Tori Gallegos- Australia



Inamata Togiavalu- Niue



Nancy Genzel Abouke - Nauru



Rarua Mavara Papua New Guinea



Ramsi Carol Edwards- Niue



Jaime Watson-New Zealand



Ryan Evans--New Zealand



Mary Nemek -Vanuatu



Esmen Maltungtung - Vanuatu



Holly Drain- Guest -NZL



Ruby Straugheiri – Guest -NZL







The Oceania Weightlifting Institute in action during the ten days OTIP training camp.

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