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SASCOC ANNOUNCES FINAL TEAM SA SQUAD FOR BIRMINGHAM 2022 COMMONWEALTH GAMES

The South African Sports Confederation and Olympic Committee (SASCOC) announced an additional 61 athletes to the Team South Africa squad that will carry the nation's flag at the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games, which will take place from 28 July – 8 August.

This was the second and final squad announcement following the first one last month and it brings the total number of athletes to 251.

More representatives across six codes were named – athletics, hockey, badminton, wrestling, swimming and gymnastics.

It is an exciting track and field squad full of medal possibilities. Akani Simbine and Henrico Bruintjies finished 1-2 at the 2018 Gold Coast Games and Simbine is in form, having won the 100m at the Stockholm Diamond League meeting last week. They will form part of a formidable men's 4x100m relay team that will be one of the medal favourites. Four years ago, they claimed the silver medal.

Four wrestlers were named to represent Team SA in Birmingham and it was in Gold Coast that Martin Erasmus won wrestling gold. This time the code has four representatives.

Four years ago at the 2018 Commonwealth Games, Team SA took a squad of 194 athletes. For Birmingham, there are 57 more than was the case at Gold Coast. In 2018 Team SA returned with 37 medals, 18 of which were gold, 11 silver and 13 bronze. Heading to Birmingham, the Team SA squad has, for the first time in history, more female than male

representatives and is the most transformed squad in the country's history at a multi-code Games. Chef de mission Lwandile Simelane will lead the team.

SASCOC would like to thank our partners who have contributed to Team South Africa's participation at the Birmingham 2022 Commonwealth Games and these are Department of Sport, Arts and Culture, National Lotteries Commission, Mr Price Sport, Planet Fitness and Commonwealth Games Federation.

There are 24 days to go before the opening ceremony of the Games.

The Video for the team is in the link below:

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Team SA List:

NAME	SURNAME	GENDER	EVENT/DISCIPLINE OR POSITION
Prudence	Sekgodiso	F	800m
Dominique	Scott	F	10000m
Zen�y	Van der walt	F	400mH/4x400m
Yolandi	Stander	F	Discus
Jo-Ane	Van dyk	F	Javelin
Marione	Fourie	F	100mH
Miranda	Coetzee	F	4x400m
Gontse	Morake	F	4x400m
Taylon	Bieldt	F	4x400m
Shirley	Nekhubui	F	4x400m
Akani	Simbine	M	100m/4X100
Henrico	Bruintjies	M	4X100m
Emile	Erasmus	M	4X100m
Gift	Leotlela	M	4X100m
Clarence	Munyai	M	100m/4x100
Zakithi	Nene	M	400m
Tshepo	Tshite	M	800m
Ryan	Mphahlele	M	1500m
Adriaan	Wildschutt	M	5000m/10000m
Sokwakhana	Zazini	M	400mH
Kyle	Rademeyer	M	Pole Vault
Jovan	Van vuuren	M	Long Jump
Cheswill	Johnson	M	Long Jump
Kyle	Blignaut	M	Shot Put
Tshepang	Makhethe	M	Hammer Throw
Luxolo	Adams	M	200m/4 x 100m
Tshifhiwa	Makhoshi	F	Team Manager
Shaun	Bownes	M	Coach
Adam	Motlagale	M	Coach
Pierre	Blignaut	M	Coach
PARA ATHLETICS			
Liezel	Gouws	Female	100m T37
Martha	Potgieter	Female	Shotput F57
BADMINTON			
Johanita	Scholtz	Female	Singles/Doubles/mixed
Jarred	Elliott	Male	Doubles/mixed doubles
Robert	Summers	Male	Singles/doubles
Deidre	Laurens	Female	Doubles/mixed
Caden	Kakora	Male	Singles/Doubles
Stewart	Carson	Male	Coach
WRESTLING			

Arno	Van Zijl	Male	Freestyle - 74KG
Edward	Lessing	Male	Freestyle - 86KG
Steyn	De Lange	Male	Freestyle - 97KG
Tanki	Tau	Male	Freestyle - 57kg
Bennie	Labuschagne	Male	Coach
SWIMMING			
Clayton	Jimmie	Male	4x100 free relay
Trinity	Hearne	Female	4x100 medley relay
HOCKEY MEN			
Mustaphaa	Cassiem	Male	Athlete
Connor	Beauchamp	Male	Athlete
Timothy	Drummond	Male	Athlete
Nduduzo	Lembethe	Male	Athlete
Keenan	Horne	Male	Athlete
Tevin	Kok	Male	Athlete
Le-Neal	Jackson	Male	Athlete
Matthew	Guise-Brown	Male	Athlete
Abdud-Dayaan	Cassiem	Male	Athlete
Taine	Paton	Male	Athlete
Ryan	Julius	Male	Athlete
Jethro	Eustice	Male	Athlete
Daniel	Bell	Male	Athlete
Nicholas	Spooner	Male	Athlete
Siyavuya	Nolutshungu	Male	Athlete
Nqobile	Ntuli	Male	Athlete
Samkelo	Mvimbi	Male	Athlete
Gowan	Jones	Male	Athlete
Senzwesihle	Ngubane	Male	Reserve
Matthew Stephen	De Sousa	Male	Reserve
Nhlanhla	Mlambo	Male	Team Manager
Gareth	Ewing	Male	Coach
Siphesihle	Ntuli	Male	Coach
Ashlin	Freddy	Male	Video Analyst
GYMNASTICS			
Muhammad Khaalid	Mia	Male	Men Artistic gymnast
Kevin	Basson	Male	Men Artistic Coach
Kayla	Rondi	Female	Rhythmic gymnast
Aimee	Van Rooyen	Female	Rhythmic Coach

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