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The 7th Angkor Cup 2017

Let Cambodian climbers participate in the Tokyo Olympic Games !



The 7th Angkor Cup, Speed, Lead and Bouldering competition, was held at the Angkor Wall, Siem Reap on December 10-17. We were able to hold this competition with the support of Taica and volunteers. Thank you very much for your cooperation. (The winners and times are on the following pages)

NPO Angkor Climbers Net General Meeting on August 25 (Sat) 17:00~

At Karin Wild Flower Tea House, Kai-Oizumi, Hokuto-City, Yamanashi prefecture

We are holding the 5th general meeting this summer since ACN became an NPO in 2014. We would like to review the activities of the past years and also plan for 2018~19. We are planning to have a BBQ party, providing accommodation. There are lots of futons, but please bring your own sheets or sleeping bag. ACN's members will be invited by mail, and non members are also welcome to join us.

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SPEED M-1 : Male under 14 Round-1:18 , FINAL : 10

Final Order	Name(English)		Birth Year	Team	School	Round-1		Final Time
						Time	Order	
1	Huy	YanFai	2004	ACN	Krous Sec.	10"94	1	9"89
2	Sombo	Panha	2003	ACN	10Makara High	13"26	3	11"94
3	Im	Chaieang	2010	ACN	Krous Primary	20"67	6	16"22

SPEED M-2 : Male over 15 Round-1:18 , FINAL : 10

Final Order	Name(English)		Birth Year	Team	School	Round-1		Final Time
						Time	Order	
1	OI	Reaksa	2002	PCCG	Beltei	7"90	2	6"93
2	Huy	YanFei	2002	ACN	10Makara High	11"01	9	7"75
3	Sombath	Peaktra	2001	ACN	Somdach ov High	8"42	3	7"90

SPEED F-1 :Female under 14 Round-1:5 , FINAL : 4

Final Order	Name(English)		Birth Year	Team	School	Round-1		Final Time
						Time	Order	
1	Im	Venneath	2008	ACN	Krous Primary	22"99	2	21"99
2	Im	Vinnith	2006	ACN	Krous Primary	26"16	3	31"90
3	Nol	Voleak	2007	ACN	Krous Primary	19"91	1	④

SPEED F-2 :Female over15 Round-1:10 , FINAL : 5

Final Order	Name(English)		Birth Year	Team	School	Round-1		Final Time
						Time	Order	
1	Phen	Sarorm	1997	ACN		16"	1	15"37
2	Leang	Saray	1986		student's mother	19"	3	16"09
3	Soeung	Chan	2001	ACN	Siem Reap High	22"	5	18"45

and arrived at Siem Reap to set the bouldering routes a few day later, this was a big step toward ACN's goal, "Safe climbing for and by Cambodian people."

ACN held the 7th Angkor Cup, Speed and Lead competition on Dec. 10, and Bouldering on Dec. 17, supported by Taica and many people. The person in charge of route-setting for the speed and lead was Seyha. He learned route-setting in Japan last summer, and also took a route-setting course sponsored by SEACF (South East Asia Climbing Federation) in Vietnam and qualified as a route setter in October. Although the routes were checked by Mr. Wakae who is a professional



Male over15 Lead Final

LEAD M-1 : Male under 14 Round-1:5 , FINAL : 3

Final Order	Name(English)		Birth Year	Team	School	Round-1			Final	
						Hight	Time	Order	Hight	Time
1	Huy	YanFai	2004	ACN	Krous Sec.	5+	1'01"87	1	T	2'11"49
2	Sombo	Panha	2003	ACN	10Makara High	5+	1'49"74	2	1	20"16
3	Ny	Cholna	2008	ACN	Krous Primary	5	45"48	3	0	0

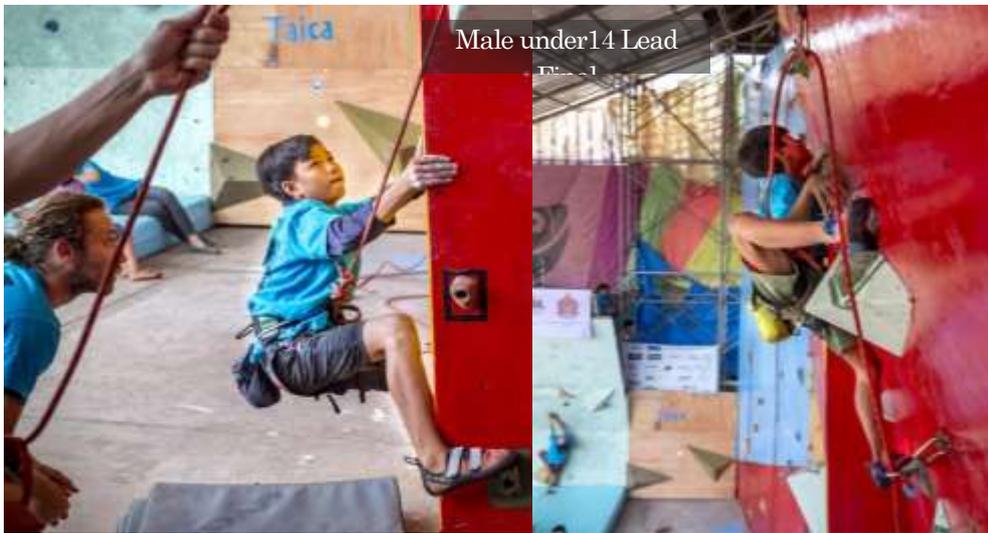
LEAD M-2 : Male over 15 Round-1:16 , FINAL : 6

Final Order	Name(English)		Birth Year	Team	School	Hight	Time	Order	Hight	Time
	1	Huy								
2	Noun	So Vannak	1998	ACN	Somdach ov High	T	59"76	3	11-	1'58"53
3	Pav	Munyoudon	2002	PCCG	Mahasastra	T	56"87	2	9	2'32"31

LEAD F : Female all Round-1:8 , FINAL : 4

Final Order	Name(English)		Birth Year	Team	School	Hight	Time	Order	Hight	Time
	1	Phen								
2	Gnoem	Chenda	1996	ACN		T	01'30"	2	12-	2'58"05
3	Sok	Chankagna	1986	ACN		14+	03'12"	4	6	2'07"50

Tables with the first to third prizes for each section: SPEED Male under 14 : 18 participated and Yan Fai won first prize out of 10 finalists. However, as the Angkor Cup was only for men, Reaksa won the Angkor Cup.



Male under14 Lead



The Bouldering competition was held on Dec. 17. The preliminaries followed the session system, and the final used the belt-conveyor system (2 on-sight routes with small brakes). You will be able to see the video of the Angkor Cup at the following climbing gyms:

- Sakudaira Rock Climbing Center Saku-City, Nagano prefecture
 - Climbing Studio BRAVE Matsuyama-City, Ehime prefecture
- <http://climbingstudio-brave.com/>



Bouldering M-1 : Male under 14 Round-1:10 , FINAL : 4

Final Order	Name(English)		Birth Year	School	Team	Round-1		Final			
						Total	Order	Top	At	Bonus	At
1	Huy	YanFai	2004	Krous Sec.	ACN	8	1	3	3	3	3
2	Ny	Cholna	2008	Krous Primary	ACN	5	2	1	2	2	3
3	Penh	LakSroy	2004	Krous Sec.		4	3	0		1	1

Bouldering M-2 : Male over 15 Round-1:11 , FINAL : 5

1	Sombath	Peaktra	2001	Somdach ov High	ACN	8	1	4	4	4	4
2	Huy	Barang	1999	10Makara High	ACN	7	2	4	4	4	4
3	Noun	So Vannak	1998	Somdach ov High	ACN	6	3	4	6	4	5

Angkor Cup

Bouldering F-1 : Female under 14 Round-1:5 , FINAL : 3

1	Nol	Voleak	2007	Krous Primary	ACN	9	1	1	2	3	10
2	Im	Vinnith	2006	Krous Primary	ACN	6	2	0		1	2
3	Im	Venneath	2008	Krous Primary	ACN	6	2	0		0	

Bouldering F-2 : Female over 15 Round-1:7 , FINAL : 3

1	Yin	Pisey	1997	Panyasa Univ.	PCCG	9	1	3	3	4	4
2	Gnoem	Chenda	1996		ACN	6	2	1	1	2	4
3	Soeung	Chan	2001	Siem Reap High	ACN	5	3	0		0	

Angkor Cup



The bouldering competition was exciting for spectators as well. From the following week, one after another of the neighborhood children came to the wall with applications. A high school student joined ACN from as far as 10 km away.

As for the lottery, which is familiar to participants, many more presents were sent from Japan, so we could hold it continuously. Thank you very much for your cooperation.

Guiding tour in rock climbing area

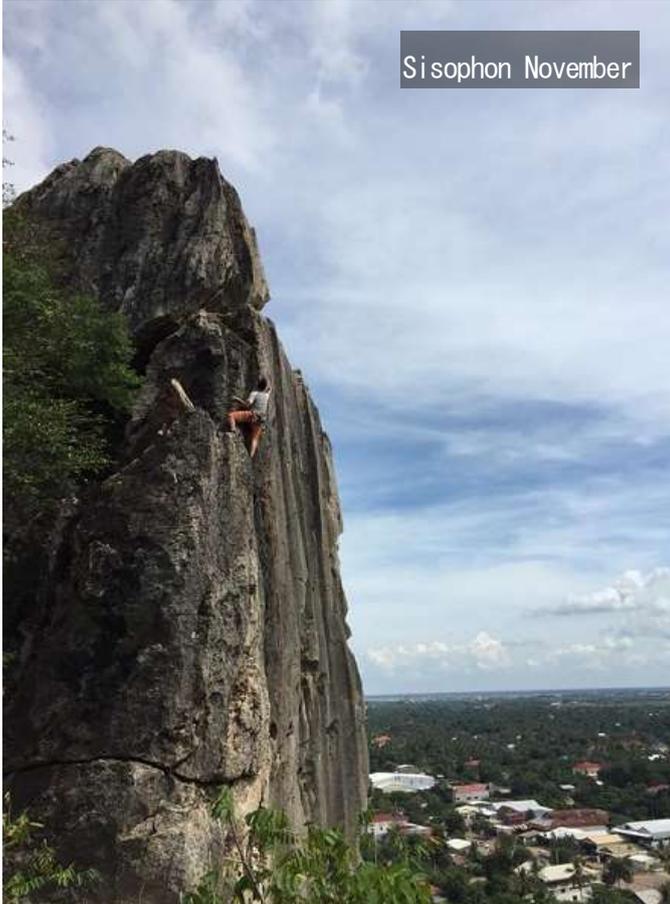
to earn money by guiding guests on our climbing tours, it means they will get closer to becoming economically independent.

These days, they go on tours at the rate of twice a month. Sometimes, guests do not show even though the date was fixed in advance, and sometimes, there are not enough staff for the tour on the day when guests want to go. When rainy season comes, staff have to judge according to road and weather conditions and also

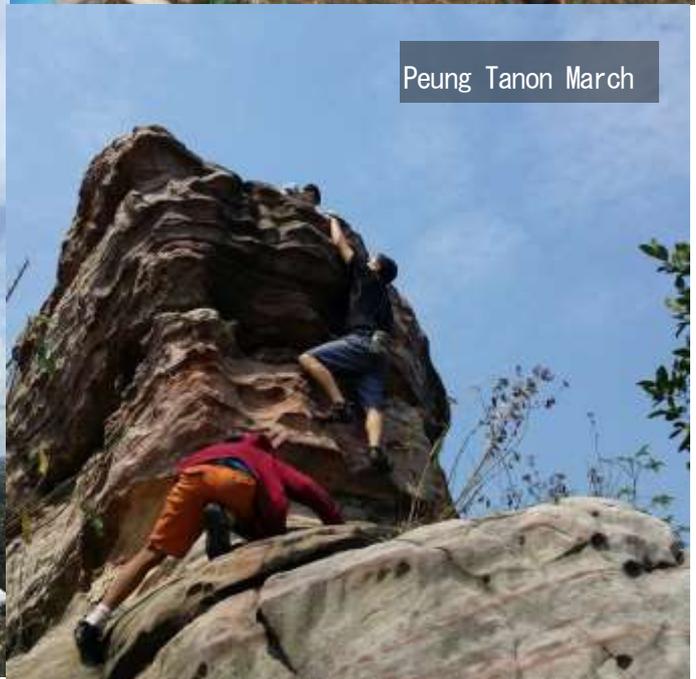
One of the nonprofit activities of ACN is to support development professional abilities and increase job opportunities. If ACN staff are able



Sisophon January



Sisophon November



Peung Tanon March

properly prepare for emergencies. There are still many things to think about. We would like to ask Japanese people to climb with the staff of the ACN and support them to develop their skills.

http://www.angkorclimbers.net/crags/acn_crags_jv_main.html

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Barang will answer questions in Khmer or English, and Ito will answer in Japanese. If you live in Cambodia, please contact ACN Cambodia. (see P.8)

Supporting CCF Cambodia Climbing Federation

CCF became a member of IFSC, International Federation of Sports Climbing,

We started to support this by looking for a sponsor. Fortunately, Taica Corporation became the sponsor of CCF, and the Cambodia Olympic Committee indicated its approval, so CCF officially joined IFSC on March 17th 2018.

Since Cambodia is registered as a continental member, it cannot hold an international competition but climbers can be registered internationally. In Southeast Asia, Cambodia is in the same position as the Philippines.

There was a meeting of IFSC Asia and SEACF, South East Asia Climbing Federation, in the Philippines at the end of February 2018. Semrorn, the director general of CCF, attended the meeting at the end of February since CCF was just joining IFSC officially and was invited to SEACF's Instructor Training Course in Indonesia.

Training in Indonesia

Since the invitation was offered on short notice and we didn't have time to select climbers, Seyha, Channy and Pisay, who already have passports, participated in the training with the acceptance by Indonesia, a host organization, even though the training program was for women age 16 and over and mainly aimed at speed climbing. Just before departing, it became clear that Cambodia could not participate in the Asian Climbing Competition because of mistakes by CCF and a misunderstanding by COC, and there were concerns about participating this training. However, they voluntarily participated in the training and had a good experience with support from Taica



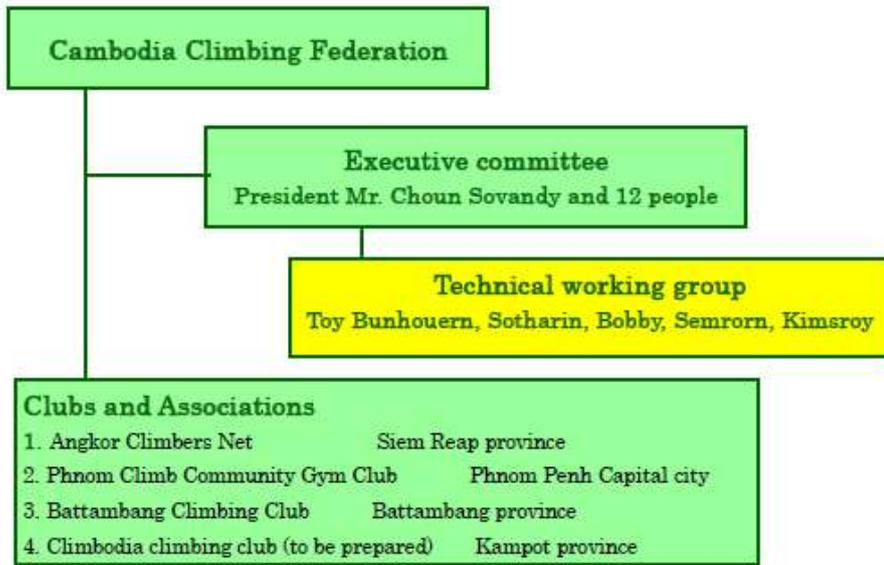
Instructor Training in Bali

For this training, SEACF invited two new trainees from Myanmar and Cambodia, which are new

member countries, bearing with each respective travel expenses. So, with the support for one person, air fare and other expenses from Taica, Kimsroy and Mono, a teacher of Somdach ov High School attended the training. They received training in climbing artificial walls and natural rocks, and became CCF's first instructors authorized by SEACF



The future course of ACN Cambodia, as a member organization of CCF



When CCF was established in 2010 in Cambodia, almost all Cambodian climbers lived in Siem Reap, so the location of CCF was officially in Siem Reap. However, these days, there is a new movement to carry out the aim of ACN, which is to support the activities of establishing ACN Cambodian by Cambodians themselves.

On the chart, the green parts show CCF. When it started, there were eleven members and no experienced climbers except Semrorn. In order to build the organization, a few officials and teachers were assigned to the members. When CCF joined IFSC,

Channy and Tevy became members as representatives of climbers, being advised by the organization. Still, there were only three climbers out of thirteen and there were just two living in Phnom Penh.

However, in late 2017, Bobby, an American climber, became a coach at Phnom Climb, which opened in Phnom Penh at the end of 2015, and he was strongly committed to training climbers. Then Semrorn called for some Cambodians and organized an executive group with Mr. Sotharin, a Cambodian climber living in the capital, and was given responsibility for the administrative work. (yellow part)

As the leading members, Sotharin, Bobby, Semrorn and Toy Bunhouern, advanced a plan to hold domestic competitions. At the same time, the government announced that the CCF's climbing competition would be held as the 39th official national sports meets on December 7~10 in Siem Reap. (right chart)

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Present plan of climbing competition

Local competition began.

We are planning to hold preceding regional and local competitions before the national competition. ACN joined the regional competitions in Siem Reap for the first time as one of the club teams belonging to CCF, which were held on March 25th and May 6th.

However, there are only two climbing walls: one in Phnom Penh and the Angkor Wall. So the players who compete at the regional

Local Competitions

25/03/2018	Siem Reap
01/04/2018	Phnom Penh
06/05/2018	Siem Reap
26/05/2018	Phnom Penh

competition also go on to compete at the local competition. We suppose that competitors who are selected at subordinate competitions will go up to higher-ranking competitions.

Climbing (39) December 7~10. The national competitions of most sports events like swimming (26), judo (31) and basketball (37) are held in Phnom Penh.

The Way to Tottori–Kurayoshi and Chongqing

The next competitions will be the Regional Championship in June and **the Lotus Cup**, which is a National Championship held on August 11-12 at Phnom Climb. It will be sponsored by CCF and Taica Corporation, and conducted by Phnom Climb. If players win the competition, they will be able to participate in **the Asian Championship** (age 16 and over) held in Kurayoshi, Tottori, Japan in November, or **the Asian Youth Championship** (age 14~19) in Chongqing, China in November. There are several hurdles to cross before we

Competitions	Location	Date	Disciplines
R.O.X ZERO GRAVITY	Manlia, Philippines	19-20 May 2018	Bouldering
Asian Cup	Bangkok, Thailand	15-17 June 2018	Bouldering & Speed
Asian Youth Championship	Chongqing, China	1-4 November 2018	Speed, Bouldering & Lead
Asian Championship	Kurayoshi Tottori, Japan	7-11 November 2018	Speed, Bouldering & Lead
Asian K Championship	Krabi/Bangkok, Thailand	7-9 December 2018	Speed, Bouldering, Lead & Combined

reach our plan* confirming the players' dates of birth, obtaining passports and visas, organizing the national team, registering players domestically and internationally, raising funds, etc. ACN has to support CCF to complete their tasks as well as before. We would like people in Japan to support us by sending participants to "Tottori-Kurayoshi in November 7~11."



At the local competition on March 25, players chose routes one after another and climbed them again and again. On May 6, players over 14 did lead-climbing

From ACN' s Desk

[There are 51 members of our NPO right now.](#)

[We would like to ask you to continuously support us by becoming a member.](#)

If you want to join ACN, please contact us. We will send you an application form, guidelines and some other documents in accordance with the type of request. Our annual membership fee is 5,000 yen (general member). Please make payment according to our business year that begins on July 1. Your support will surely help promote the healthy growth of Cambodian youth. ACN Japan (Japan office) 5-3-1-506 Tamagawa Chofu-shi Tokyo 182-0025 email: info@angkorclimbers.net

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Our total donated sum comes to April 2018, ¥ 9,816,565+ US\$13,997 (beginning in 2008, when we launched our NGO, though April 2018). The total funds for our foster parents' system comes to ¥4,380,000 +US\$1,250 We greatly appreciate this support. The following individuals, businesses, and associations contributed donations and goods from November 2017 to April 2018.

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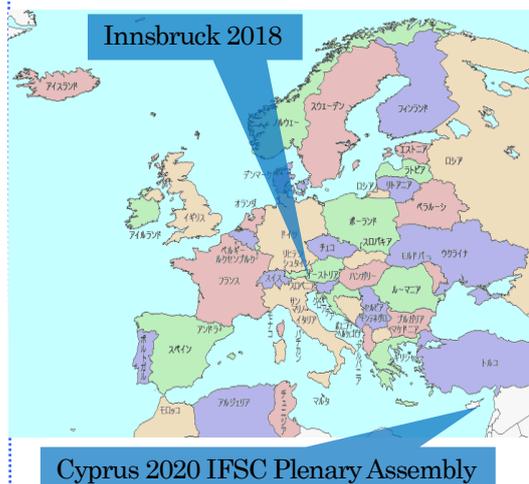
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In 2019, the year before the Tokyo Olympic

Editor's note



“Where is Innsbruck?” “It’s in Austria, not Australia. There was an IFSC general meeting there, and Cambodia was able to join an international league. The application was already accepted last August.” “Is that so?”

A lot of people visit Cambodia from Europe but for Cambodians, Europe is still an unknown region. This time, however, Europe has come closer through this participation. CCF could not attend the meeting in Innsbruck but we were surprised when we read the papers relating to the meeting sent from IFSC. It says that the next general meeting of IFSC will be held in Tokyo or Yokohama in March. Will the staff members of SEACF who took care of us attend the meeting in Japan? We hope we can participate the Olympic Games together !

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