

SA RESERVE MILITARY SKILLS TEAM EXCELS IN THE CIOR COMPETITION IN PRAGUE



Once again South Africa can be very proud of this MilComp team achievements. Seen here from left to right are the Head of Delegation and Chairman of RFC Maj Gen Keith Mokoape (Ret) with the successful MilComp team: 2 Lt Purchase (Regiment Mooi Rivier), Capt Le Roux (3 Parachute Battalion), Cpl Hlope (Umvoti Mounted

Rifles), Maj Labuschagne (3 Parachute Battalion), Rfn Mdlalose (3 Parachute Battalion) and Lt Col Uys van der Westhuijzen (Fort iKapa Military Base; Inf Fmn), member of the CIOR Technical Team

The achievements were:

Best Individual Shooting trophy: 1st place individual combined pistol and rifle shoot : Rfn Mdlalose; 3 Parachute Battalion



Best Team LOAC: 1st place team in law on armed conflict as part of military skills: Maj Labuschagne [3 Parachute Battalion], Cpl Hlope [Umvoti Mounted Rifles], Rfn Mdlalose [3 Parachute Battalion]

MilComp trophy (Special category: Only given under special circumstances): For team/individual: Lt Purchase (Regiment Mooi Rivier) who displayed perseverance, courage and determination against all odds and still completed the competition.

Tactical Combat Casualty Care Qualification: 1 Member (Cpl Hlope) of Team SA qualified for a Certificate of Competence for combat casualty care during the evaluation of this event “inside” the Military Orienteering Speed March.



Obstacle Event

Special mention must be made with regards to South Africa’s support towards this competition.

Military Orienteering Speed March: South Africa provided the equipment March. Without this equipment and Capt Le Roux, team captain of team South Africa, acting as the technical assistant to capture all the data related to this March, there would have been no Military Orienteering Speed March.

Shooting: South Africa (Lt Col J.U. van der Westhuijzen) played a pivotal role in ensuring that this event was a success and that the evaluation was fair to every participating country and individual.

General: South Africa’s Technical Jury member (Lt Col J.U. van der Westhuijzen) played a crucial/important role in the organising and execution of several events during this competition. His knowledge and experience gained in the SANDF as well as assistance and work ethics, contributed to the competition’s successful outcome.