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MANUFACTURING OF DRUMS

Finally we are able to build our own drums. It has taken a long time to achieve.

We do have enough wine barrels in this country to make drums but we also need to have enough cow hides available in South Africa. However to process the cow hides so that we can use them as drum heads seems to be very difficult. I looked all over the country to find somebody to prepare the cow hides the way we need them, but I couldn't find anybody to do this correctly.

In the end I had to import the skin in Germany.

Luckily we found a barrel maker in Stellenbosch who prepares the barrels for us.

Alfons is doing a great job building this drums.

As you can see in the pictures they come out very beautiful and they have a

great sound.

Some people showed interest in buying the drums from us.

The drum head of the drum in the picture is 1.6 Shaktu (48cm in Diameter) but we can also make them in other sizes.

Our dream is to make one day a really nice Odaiko.

If you are interested in this drums, please contact me.

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TWO OCEANS MARATHON

Like last year we were looking much forward to cheer the runners of the Two Oceans Marathon.

We did have our own Taikothon last year with drumming and cheering the runners for 5 hours!

This year we had to give up after 45 minutes due to the heavy rainfall.

We had to pack the drums quickly in to the cars to keep them dry, otherwise they would have been damaged beyond repair.



Lindie and I got soaking wet because there was no space left for us in the cars, but we had fun cheering the runners.

For more pictures please check this link

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