



Paddler's Post

April 2013

A bit of a Catch-up with what's happened over the Winter Months:

Funding Boost for GB Canoeing



After a year of unprecedented success for GB Canoeing, there was welcome news with the announcement of UK Sport's funding for the next four year Olympic cycle. Canoeing will receive £19.1m an increase of 18%.

Canoeing had its most successful Olympic Games ever at London 2012 winning 2 gold, 1 silver and 1 bronze, with athletes from both slalom and sprint reaching the podium to finish as the fifth ranked sport on Team GB.

GB Performance Director John Anderson MBE said: "We are delighted that our excellent performance at London 2012 has been recognised by UK Sport in their funding announcement today. We exceeded our target of three medals, including one gold, proving that we are a sport that can deliver when it counts."

"We are also pleased to have been awarded £2.3m to support our excellent Paracanoe programme as the sport prepares to make its Paralympic debut in Rio in 2016. We have had significant success over the last couple of years at the World Championships, winning 5 gold and 1 bronze medal in 2012 and we are confident that this funding will enable us to develop our programme further and challenge for the podium.



New Year Honours for Canoeing's Gold Medallists

The SRC and Sprint Community would like to congratulate its three Olympic gold medallists on receiving MBEs in the New Year Honours list

announced today.

Ed McKeever was the fastest man on the water over 200m in the inaugural Olympic K1 200m sprint event at Eton Dorney while Tim Baillie and Etienne Stott took Canoe Slalom's first ever gold in the C2 event at the Lee Valley White Water Centre.

If you have anything that could be included in a future 'Paddler's Post' please send it to:

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Steve Harris to Lead GB Paracanoe Programme

Paracanoe will make its debut appearance at the next Paralympic Games in Rio 2016, GB Canoeing has announced the appointment of Steve Harris as the Programme Manager for the sport over the next quadrennial.

Steve, who set up the Paracanoe performance programme in September 2011, has led it through a hugely successful 2012 season with the British team winning multiple medals at the World and European Championships. An impressive tally of five gold and one bronze was the best ever performance for Great Britain in Paracanoe, which saw them finish top nation at the World Championships in Poznan.

A former soldier, sports science and teaching graduate, he has been a GB Technical Coach for the last seven years and in 2009 graduated from the acclaimed UK Sport Elite Coach Programme. Commenting on his new role Steve said: "The Paralympics of London 2012 changed the landscape for disability sport dramatically within the UK. The support and buy in from the public across the country, driven by some fabulous performances from the athletes was unprecedented and created a feel good factor that was just unbelievable. There will never be a better, more exciting time to be working within Paralympic sport."



Sadly Paracanoeist Jonathon Broome passed away on November 1st 2012



"Jono" was a founding member of the 4 A's club in Newark.

He started competing in the Paddle-Ability sprint regattas at Holme Pierrepont in 1999, and won the National Paddle-Ability trophy in 2006 and 2010. In 1995 when he was part of Great Britain's Paddle-Ability team in Milan, but it was as part of the GB Paracanoe team, at the 2010 World Championships in Poznan that he had his greatest canoeing success. He won GB's first ever Paracanoeing medal, a bronze, in the Mens K1 A category. Jono dedicated over 20 years to his sport. He was a very private person, who never wanted any fuss made of him and just got on with life. He was generous to his friends, and entertained them with an extremely dry sense of humour. His fellow club members and team mates will greatly miss his quiet steady presence.

National Perpetual Trophy Winners 2012

FEMINA TROPHY: *RACHEL CAWTHORN (WEY)*

LEE & JOAN DAVIS MEMORIAL TROPHY: *CORAL BIRKHILL (LON)*

DEXTER TROPHY: *JONNY TYE (WOR)*

ADJUTANTS CUP: *MAX JAMIESON (WEY)*

SKINNERS SALVER: *EMILY HEWITT (SOU)*

JUNIOR RACING CANOIST OF THE YEAR: *MARTON SIMON (ELM)*

HENRY THELAN TROPHY 2012: *MATTHEW BOWLEY (BPR)*

JAMES CUP 2012: *SOUTHAMPTON CANOE CLUB*

RHODES TROPHY 2012: *DANIEL JOHNSON (CLM)*

PHILLIPS PLATE & DENNIS SMITH TROPHY 2012: *AMY WARD (ELM)*

MACGREGOR PADDLE 2012: *READING CANOE CLUB*

Promotions from September Sprints:

Mens A	LGW S. Redmond	WOR J. Tye
Mens B	EXE J. Williams	
Womens B	NOT J. Littlewood	
Womens C	SIN A. Chew	NOT B. Chrowicsek
Boys B	STO R. Silk	LON M. Grogory
	SKR N. Low	NOR D. Hunt
	CLM H. Cawston	
Boys C	EAL T Thompson	ELM S. DiGregorio
	CHE J. Oldfield-Connor	
	LBZ D. Fitzpatrick	FOR L. Crosland
Boys D	RIC H. Wells	
Girls A	ROY R. Vorley	
Girls D	NOR S. Dyke	
Masters A	TON C. Neale	
Masters B	BOA S. Missen	
Lightning A	ROY I. Madden	NOT E. Durrant

Presentation of certificates and perpetual trophies will be at 17.00 on Saturday, during the Long Distance races.

MEDAL WINNERS

All medal winners should be properly dressed in their club kit, where possible, when being presented with their medals



Have you seen this month's Canoe Focus? There's articles on Meals & Recovery, how to 'Green' your club and a short interview with BAD's Leanne Brown. However, in the photo competition there isn't a single picture from Sprinting so 'Come on! Let's get a winner in next month!'

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