

Louise Clive

I have been involved in canoeing since 1999 when the whole family started paddling at Gailey CC. We enjoy both Sprint and Marathon competition. I am the Race Organiser for Gailey CC.

I have been a member of the SRC since 2008, initially joining to help represent the small clubs. I have volunteered as an official at Sprints for about 17 years and have also been on the Regatta Committee for 10yrs.

I started, and still run, the Facebook group 'Racing Canoe Clubs (UK Based)' so I hear paddlers opinions from 'grass roots' alongside official points of view and club needs.

I have been SRC Treasurer for 7yrs and Regatta Committee Treasurer for 10yrs.

It is time to start passing things over and giving others a chance to see how things are done. I have stepped down from the SRC finance role but am hoping to continue with the regatta finances as these are a lot more complicated. Together with paying all expenses and invoices, it needs someone who knows how the regattas run and what should be charged for etc.

I was planning on leaving SRC this year to make way for new members but with the Regatta Committee being absorbed into the SRC and the vast changes that are planned for next season I would like to carry on a little longer and see in those changes, while also looking after both our current and new volunteers. A lot of them now know me and I think we have a good 'working relationship'.

The focus of the SRC will now be on our national events so the remaining members of the regatta committee should be included in order that we can bring our prior knowledge right from the planning stages to delivery.

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Ben Shipway

I have competed in sprint kayaking for many years. From the age of 12, I began paddling on and off. After Covid, I came back to the sport and increased my training down in Southampton, finding myself training consistently through my A-levels and foundation degree. Now at University in Nottingham, I balance the enjoyment of the sport, building my future career and getting my degree. Having had small roles within Southampton Canoe Club and Nottingham Kayak Club. Over that time, I have developed a genuine appreciation for the commitment and contribution of athletes, coaches, volunteers, and officials at the local level and national events.

I am now putting myself forward for the role of Secretary because I would like to contribute to the continued development and effective running of our sport. I will bring my enthusiasm for the kayaking community to the role, together with a commitment to supporting the committee and community, ensuring that communication and administration are handled effectively.