

Llangollen Town Slalom



Sponsored by John Player & Sons,
Takes place in Llangollen Town, on
Saturday & Sunday, 19th. - 20th. October
Saturday, 12 noon - 4.30 p.m.
Sunday, 9.30 a.m. - 4.00 p.m.



Llangollen Town Slalom, Times of Events

Saturday, 19th October

- 12 noon Practice runs
- 1.30 p.m. Canadian doubles and Canadian singles followed by Team event.
- 3.00 p.m. (approx.) Second runs for Canadian doubles, singles and team event.

Sunday, 20th October

- 9.30 a.m. 1st Division Men's Kayaks followed by Ladies' Division Kayaks.
- 1.00 p.m. 1st Division Men's Kayak (Second runs) followed by Ladies' Division Kayaks (Second runs).
- 3.30 p.m. Draw of winners in the Slalom International Fund Raffle.
- 4.00 p.m. Prize-giving in Railway Station.

The rules of slalom

Each competitor must negotiate the set sequence of gates, laid out over the rapids, in as fast a time as possible. His score for the run is the time he takes plus any penalties incurred by not passing a gate correctly, viz:

PENALTY:

10 seconds : for touching one pole from the inside of the gate

20 seconds : for touching two poles from the inside

50 seconds : incurred if only the boat or the body passes between the poles

100 seconds : incurred for omitting a gate

Each competitor has two runs over the course, his lowest score counting for the results list. A gate marked with an 'R' must be taken in reverse, and one marked with a 'T' means that during the team event, when there are three competitors on the course, all three must pass through the gate within 15 seconds otherwise a further penalty of 50 seconds is incurred.

CANADIAN DOUBLES

No.	Name	Club						SATURDAY		
								Practice	1st Run	2nd Run
1.	Smith/Cadman	Leicester University	..	..	..	..	12.00	1.30	3.00
2.	Gimber/Kingsley	Cambridge University	..	..	..	..	12.00½	1.32	3.02
3.	Jefferies/Swift	Leeds	..	..	..	..	12.01	1.34	3.04
4.	Edwards/Feilden	Cambridge University	..	..	..	..	12.01½	1.36	3.06
5.	Harber/Harber	Chalfont	..	..	..	..	12.02	1.38	3.08
6.	Wittes/Woodhouse	Chester	..	..	..	..	12.02½	1.40	3.10
7.	Thomas/Sutton	Manchester	..	..	..	..	12.03	1.42	3.12
8.	Ramsay/Hillyard	Chalfont	..	..	..	..	12.03½	1.44	3.14
9.	Goodwin/Court	North Staffs.	..	..	..	..	12.04	1.46	3.16
10.	Hastings/Hope	Leamington	..	..	..	..	12.04½	1.48	3.18

CANADIAN SINGLES

13.	C. Jefferies	Leeds	..	..	..	..	12.06	1.54	3.24
14.	G. Snell	Windsor	..	..	..	..	12.06½	1.56	3.26
15.	J. Albert	Chalfont	..	..	..	..	12.07	1.58	3.28
16.	M. Ramsay	Chalfont	..	..	..	..	12.07½	2.00	3.30
17.	J. Court	North Staffs.	..	..	..	..	12.08	2.02	3.32
18.	G. Dinsdale	Chalfont	..	..	..	..	12.08½	2.04	3.34
19.	M. Hillyard	Chalfont	..	..	..	..	12.09	2.06	3.36
20.	J. Sibley	Windsor	..	..	..	..	12.09½	2.08	3.38
21.	A. Kennedy	Manchester	..	..	..	..	12.10	2.10	3.40
22.	G. Lydon	Leeds	..	..	..	..	12.10½	2.12	3.42
23.	J. Walker	Shepperton	..	..	..	..	12.11	2.13	3.43

TEAM EVENT

	1st Run	2nd Run
Ladies	2.15	3.45
Keerie – Goodman – Squires		
Manchester A	2.17	3.47
Langford – McLeod – Calverley		
Halifax	2.19	3.49
Leggot – Thomas – An Other		
Windsor	2.21	3.51
Strickland – Pember – Sibley		
Cambridge University	2.23	3.53
Chaplin – Reeve – Wigmore		
Reading	2.25	3.55
Saunders – Nash – Baker		
Chalfont	2.27	3.57
Grove – Dyer – Couch		
Leeds A	2.29	3.59
Slater – Young – Jenkinson		
Chester	2.31	4.01
Mitchell – Woodhouse – Swallow		
Itchen Valley	2.33	4.03
Whitcock – Davis – Hamilton		
Worcester	2.35	4.05
Green – Doncaster – Handyside		
Birmingham	2.37	4.07
Rowntree – Liddell – Smith		
Brighton	2.39	4.09
Leeming – Goldsmith – Gimber		
Manchester B	2.41	4.11
Prince – Williams – Wickham		
Leeds B	2.43	4.13
Powley – Eastwood – Swift		
Scratch A	2.45	4.15
Harrison – White – Hawkesworth		

COMPETITORS NOTES

All times must be strictly adhered to, otherwise disqualification may result.

It is hoped that free practice can be allowed on Saturday morning, until 12 noon, with the course not in position. Permission for free practice must first be obtained from Control. Numbered bibs will be provided at the start and must be worn for the practice run as well as the competition itself. They will be collected at the finish after second runs.

The camp site is on the right hand side of Abbey Road (take the road to the Horseshoe Pass out of Llangollen) about 300 yards from the river bridge in the town.

FIRST DIVISION – MEN'S KAYAK

No.	Name	Club				SATURDAY	SUNDAY	
						Practice	1st Run	2nd Run
25.	M. Grove	Chalfont	..	..	..	12.12	9.30	1.00
26.	R. Williamson	Worcester	..	..	..	12.12½	9.32	1.02
27.	C. Horwood	Shepperton	..	..	..	12.13	9.34	1.04
28.	K. Jenkinson	Leeds	..	..	..	12.13½	9.36	1.06
29.	G. Powley	Leeds	..	..	..	12.14	9.38	1.08
30.	J. Sibley	Windsor	..	..	..	12.14½	9.40	1.10
31.	J. Leggott	Halifax	..	..	..	12.15	9.42	1.12
32.	N. Leeming	Brighton	..	..	..	12.15½	9.44	1.14
33.	M. Wigmore	Chalfont	..	..	..	12.16	9.46	1.16
34.	P. Reeve	Cambridge	..	..	..	12.16½	9.48	1.18
35.	R. Chaplin	Cambridge	..	..	..	12.17	9.50	1.20
36.	S. Baker	Reading	..	..	..	12.17½	9.52	1.22
37.	C. Whiteside	Lakeland	..	..	..	12.18	9.54	1.24
38.	M. Gimber	Cambridge	..	..	..	12.18½	9.56	1.26
39.	T. Rowntree	Birmingham	..	..	..	12.19	9.58	1.28
40.	H. Dyer	Riverside	..	..	..	12.19½	10.00	1.30
41.	G. Goldsmith	Brighton	..	..	..	12.20	10.02	1.32
42.	G. Dawson	Sunderland	..	..	..	12.20½	10.04	1.34
43.	I. Harvey	Cambridge	..	..	..	12.21	10.06	1.36
44.	J. Hamilton	Itchen Valley	..	..	..	12.21½	10.08	1.38
45.	R. Smith	Leicester University	..	..	..	12.22	10.10	1.40
46.	C. Skellern	Worcester	..	..	..	12.22½	10.12	1.42
47.	J. Harrison	Midland	..	..	..	12.23	10.14	1.44
48.	N. Morley	Manchester	..	..	..	12.23½	10.16	1.46
49.	D. Green	Worcester	..	..	..	12.24	10.18	1.48
50.	I. Pendleton	Manchester	..	..	..	12.24½	10.20	1.50
51.	M. Swallow	Chester	..	..	..	12.25	10.22	2.00
52.	M. Crossman	Windsor	..	..	..	12.25½	10.24	2.02
53.	T. Young	Leeds	..	..	..	12.26	10.26	2.04
54.	P. Hazelton	Chester	..	..	..	12.26½	10.28	2.06
55.	T. Eastwood	Leeds	..	..	..	12.27	10.30	2.08
56.	C. Strickland	Windsor	..	..	..	12.27½	10.32	2.10
57.	R. Prince	Birmingham University	..	..	..	12.28	10.34	

FIRST DIVISION - MEN'S KAYAK - *continued*

No.	Name	Club				SATURDAY		SUNDAY	
						Practice	1st Run	2nd Run	
58.	S. Hatton	Manchester	..	..	..	12.28½	10.36	2.12
59.	S. Pember	Windsor	..	..	..	12.29	10.38	2.14
60.	J. Woodhouse	Chester	..	..	..	12.29½	10.40	2.16
61.	T. Nelmes	Leamington	..	..	..	12.30	10.42	2.18
62.	D. Allen	Sheffield	..	..	..	12.30½	10.44	2.20
63.	N. Jackson	Manchester	..	..	..	12.31	10.46	2.22
64.	J. Liddell	Birmingham	..	..	..	12.31½	10.48	2.24
65.	K. Wickham	Sunderland	..	..	..	12.32	10.50	2.26
66.	J. Handyside	Chalfont	..	..	..	12.32½	10.52	2.28
67.	J. McLeod	Manchester	..	..	..	12.33	10.54	2.30
68.	P. Doncaster	Worcester	..	..	..	12.33½	10.56	2.32
69.	S. Nash	Reading	..	..	..	12.34	10.58	2.34
70.	R. Lees	Chester	..	..	..	12.34½	11.00	2.36
71.	J. Freeman	Chalfont	..	..	..	12.35	11.02	2.38
72.	K. Langford	Manchester	..	..	..	12.35½	11.04	2.40
73.	R. Powell	Worcester	..	..	..	12.36	11.06	2.42
74.	M. Adams	Carlisle	..	..	..	12.36½	11.08	2.44
75.	F. Doodey	Worcester	..	..	..	12.37	11.10	2.46
76.	R. Davis	Itchen Valley	..	..	..	12.37½	11.12	2.48
77.	R. Moore	Shepperton	..	..	..	12.38	11.14	2.50
78.	M. Couch	Chalfont	..	..	..	12.38½	11.16	3.00
79.	M. Whitlock	Itchen Valley	..	..	..	12.39	11.18	3.02
80.	I. Rabjohns	Independent	..	..	..	12.39½	11.20	3.04
81.	M. Thomas	Manchester	..	..	..	12.40	11.22	3.06
82.	R. Calverley	Manchester	..	..	..	12.40½	11.24	3.08
83.	M. Hillyard	Chalfont	..	..	..	12.41	11.26	3.10
84.	D. Mitchell	Chester	..	..	..	12.41½	11.28	3.12
85.	B. Gilliver	Soar Valley	..	..	..	12.42	11.30	3.14
86.	D. Fawcett	Manchester	..	..	..	12.42½	11.32	3.16
87.	L. Saunders	Reading	..	..	..	12.43	11.34	3.18
88.	R. Goldsmith	Brighton	..	..	..	12.43½	11.36	3.20
89.	G. Slater	West Yorks.	..	..	..	12.44	11.38	3.22
90.	B. Harrison	Worcester	..	..	..	12.44½	11.40	3.24
91.	K. White	Manchester	..	..	..	12.45	11.42	3.26
92.	C. Hawkesworth	Leeds	..	..	..	12.45½	11.44	3.28

LADIES' KAYAK DIVISION

No.	Name	Club				SATURDAY		SUNDAY	
						Practice	1st Run	2nd Run	
96.	A. Keerie	Sunderland	..	..	..	12.50	11.50	3.30
97.	P. Squires	Leamington	..	..	..	12.50½	11.52	3.32
98.	H. Goodman	Lakeland	..	..	..	12.51	11.54	3.34

Llangollen Town Slalom

The event this weekend is the third in the 1968 series to decide the British National Championships, the fourth and final slalom being held on November 2nd and 3rd, on the rapids at the Chain Bridge Hotel near Llangollen.

A number of the classes are being contested, the most important of which is the men's kayak event. This is being held on Sunday with two runs over the course for each competitor, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. The best run of each competitor is taken into account and the man with the lowest score at the end of the day is the winner. In the men's kayak event the paddlers to watch are Dave Mitchell (Chester Canoe Club), who is at present leading the championship table, Ken Langford (Manchester), John Woodhouse (Chester), and Richard Prince (Manchester). Any of these could win the event, but others with promise who could spring a surprise are Chris Skellern (Worcester), Raymond Calverley (Manchester), and Tony Young (Leeds).

The Ladies event follows the men's kayaks with a greatly reduced number of entrants. The battle for first place will be no less intense, however, and the girls to watch are Pauline Squires (Leamington), Heather Goodman (Lakeland), and Audrey Keerie (Sunderland), all members of the British team.

On Saturday the competition for single and double Canadians is being held: these are known as C.1.s and C.2.s and have only recently been introduced to this country although the class has been popular on the continent for many years. The difference between the Canadian canoe and the more usual kayak is that the canoe is paddled from a kneeling position with a single blade and thus calls for a more sophisticated technique. In the C.2 doubles the main battle is expected between Witter/Woodhouse (Chester) and Court/Goodwin (North Staffs. Polytechnic), both crews being currently in the British team.

In the C.1 event the most skilful paddler is acknowledged to be Geoff Dinsdale (Chalfont Park), but several people have been training hard for this event and he may not have things all his own way.

The prize-giving in the station is being preceded by the draw for a raffle which has been run this season in order to raise money to send competitors to the 1969 World Championships which will be held in the French Alps. The canoe manufacturers have donated many valuable prizes and it is expected that the raffle will have raised a very worthwhile sum.

Safety Precautions

The slalom will be run to the rules of the B.C.U. as stated in the slalom year book. Crash helmets will be compulsory and the organisers can accept no responsibility for loss or damage to competitors or equipment—howsoever caused.

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