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### Welcome to Llangollen

I am happy to be writing this opening page for the third year running and to be welcoming all competitors and spectators to what must surely now be termed a successful and established event here in Llangollen. Last year our second international canoe slalom faced many difficulties due to the lack of sponsorship. However, in spite of all, the event was an enjoyable success and was the subject of a live television broadcast on the independent network.

This year the British Canoe Union welcomes the interest which Consulate Cigarettes is showing in the International Canoe Slalom and believes that the association will be of benefit to both parties. Although commercial sponsorship of sport might be distasteful to some, it is hard to see an alternative method of bringing together so many world class sportsmen at an event of this calibre.

For it is certain that the Llangollen International slalom is one of the important events on the annual calendar and by far the high point of the British slalom year. With the 1972 Olympic slalom at Augsburg only 10 months away there will be little slacking off by competitors during the usual slalom close season of the winter months. For this reason we are seeing the top competitors of the best nations in the world competing here in Llangollen to gain the maximum amount of experience before the Olympic slalom on August 28th – 30th next year.

To run such an event as this is not an easy matter and I wish to express the gratitude of the British Canoe Union to all the people and organisations who have done so much to help the organisation of 'The Consulate International Canoe Slalom.' In particular I wish to thank the members of the organising committee who have been hard at work for the last 12 months arranging all aspects of the event. I trust that their work has not been in vain and that we shall witness a first class competition here this weekend.

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### **Spectators Notes**

The sport of canoe slalom was started in the 1920's by Alpine skiers who turned, in the summer months, from the snowless slopes to their fast flowing rivers for enjoyment. For this reason many of the terms in canoe slalom are related to skiing, e.g., the Telemark turn and the slalom gate. Also the two disciplines – slalom and rapid river racing – are derived from the skiers' slalom and downhill races.

In 1949 the first World Championships were held and every two years from then on. Britain, along with other European countries, increased the standard of her competitors, until, in 1959, the ultimate goal was reached and Paul Farrant of Britain won the World Championship. The closest we have come to repeating this feat was in 1967 in Czechoslovakia when Dave Mitchell (Chester S.C.C.) won the silver medal.

The top slalom countries are undoubtedly the German Federal Republic, Austria, France and U.S.A. We are very pleased to welcome top competitors from these countries here this weekend. In particular the main paddlers to watch are those from Germany.

Next year at Munich, canoe slalom is to be included in the Olympic Games for the first time. At Augsburg, some 30 miles from the centre of the Games, the Germans have constructed a new and artificial slalom course especially for this competition. The new course is unlike anything ever used before for canoe slalom, being very narrow with waves created artificially by concrete blocks on the river bed. It is generally believed that the paddlers who are able to get the most practice on this artificial torrent will stand the best chance of winning the medals at the Olympics. Naturally therefore, the West Germans are the Olympic favourites and the other countries will be out to prove here at Llangollen, on this more natural course, that they are as good if not better.

A number of different classes are being contested this weekend, the most important being the men's senior kayaks. This is the most popular type of boat and the one in which most slalomists start competing. It is a derivation of the old Eskimo hunting kayak in which the paddler sits down and propels the craft with a double ended paddle. Also in kayaks there are classes for women and juniors.

A different style of boat is the Canadian canoe. This is derived from the Canadian fur traders' work horse and is propelled from a kneeling position with a single blade. At Llangollen we are only running one singles class and one doubles for these canoes, owing to the much smaller number of people who practise this highly skilled and sophisticated single blade technique.

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Accommodation for competitors is arranged at the Llangollen Youth Hostel - Tyndwr Hall - where bed and breakfast will be provided, free of charge, on Friday and Saturday evenings. Accommodation required over and above this will not be the responsibility of the competition organisers. A number of cafés and restaurants in Llangollen are able to provide midday and evening meals at a reasonable cost.

The organisers may be contacted during the day on the Old Station, or in the evening in the Royal Hotel. Under no circumstances must competitors or team leaders enter the control tent. Queries over judging and protests must be lodged with the head of the protest committee.

The competition will be run to ICF rules. All competitors will wear crash helmets, and the numbered bibs provided by the organisers. Competitors must attend the training in numbered order.

The team event will consist of two runs for each team. All teams and individuals must attend the start at the time shown or face disqualification.

The organisers, the British Canoe Union, can in no way hold themselves responsible for any loss or damage howsoever caused.

### mes of Events

Friday, 15th October

21.30 hours - Team Managers' Meeting at Youth Hostel

Saturday, 16th October

10.30 hours – Start of non-stop training with numbers

13.00 hours - Start of Team Event

20.00 hours—Grand Disco Dance. Town Hall (Tickets only)

Sunday, 17th October

09.30 hours - Individual Slalom 1st Runs

13.30 hours - Individual Slalom 2nd Runs

16.00 hours (approx.) Prize Giving in Town Hall

### 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 for not passing a gate correctly, viz:

### **Penalties**

10 seconds: For touching a pole from the inside of the gate

20 seconds: For touching a pole from the outside, if followed by

correct passage of the competitor.

20 seconds: Also given for touching both poles from the inside.

50 seconds: Given for an outside touch where the competitor does not

subsequently pass through the gate, or where the gate is

completely omitted.

Each competitor has two runs over the course, his better score counting towards the results.

A gate marked 'R' must be taken in reverse.

During the Saturday team event you will see the competitors bunching together at the Consulate team gate (marked with a 'T'). Here they must all pass through the gate within 15 seconds or incur a 50 second penalty.



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### Slalom Team Event: Saturday, 16th October Start 13-30

LADIES KAYAK SING	LES				1st Run	2nd Run				
1. Great Britain B	Brown, Wickham, Roberts				13.30	15.00				
2. Belgium	Roland, Godinne, van Stipdonk				13.32	15.02				
3. Great Britain A	Goodman, Goodwin, Gostling				13.34	15.04				
4. International	Polesna, Sattler, Nutt				13.36	15.06				
JUNIOR MEN KAYAK										
5. Great Britain B	Moore, Barnes, Huyton	×			13.40	15.10				
6. Spain	Lopez, Gabriel, Salvat				13.42	15.12				
7. Great Britain	White, Edge, Midgley				13.44	15.14				
SENIOR MEN KAYAK SINGLES										
8. Great Britain B	Mitchell, Swallow, Thomas				13.48	15.18				
9. France	Colombe, Maccari, Peschier				13.50	15.20				
10. Austria A	Presslmayr, Schlecht, Sattler				13.52	15.22				
11. Belgium A	Prevost, Remacle, Boulanger				13.54	15.24				
12. German Federal	Jahnke, Schroter, van Atterfeld				13.56	15.26				
Republic										
<ol><li>Great Britain A</li></ol>	Langford, Calverley, Macleod			• •	13.58	15.28				
14. Holland A	van Stipdonk, van Stokkom, Hold	drinet			14.00	15.30				
<ol><li>15. International</li></ol>	Rennwanz, Jobs, Koechlin				14.02	15.32				
16. Spain	Peiron, Lopez, Salvans				14.04	15.34				
17. Ireland A	Collins, Casey, Pilkington		* *		14.06	15.36				
<ol><li>18. International</li></ol>	Sulc, Evans, Campbell	• •			14.08	15.38				
<ol><li>19. Austria B</li></ol>	Zeilner, Martinsich, Neudecker				14.10	15.40				
20. Belgium B <sub>s</sub>	Timmers, Dethise, Gillot				14.12	15.42				
21. International	Kroon, Laurent, Lambrette				14.14	15.44				
22. Holland B	van der Aa, van Engers, van Ierse	11			14.16	15.46				
23. Ireland B	Maher, Talbot, Rowe				14.18	15.48				
24. International	Macias, Castellernau, Murphy				14.20	15.50				
CANADIAN SINGLES										
25. Great Britain B	Dinsdale, Albert, Wilde				14.26	15.56				
26. France	Bonnet, Trenchant, Baux				14.28	15.58				
27. German Federal Republic	Kauder, Schumacher, Schumach				14.30	16.00				
28. Great Britain A	Goldsmith, Sibley, Osborne				14.32	16.02				
29. International	Pulec, Walker, Baudry				14.34	16.04				
CANADIAN DOUBLES										
30. Great Britain B	30. Great Britain B Chaplin/Hodgson, Philp/Purdy, Jenkinson/Slater 14.38 16.0									
31. Poland	Seruga/Fraczek, Lesniak/Rychta	1,			44.65	40.40				
	Adamczyk/Zachwieza				14.40	16.10				
32, International	Wenzell/Hess, Becker/Dietz, Ste				14.42	16.12				
33. Great Britain A	Allen / Williams, Goodwin / Court	, Elliott /	Dawso	n	14.44	16.14				

### Slalom Individual Events: Sunday, 17th October Start 9-30 a.m.

CAI	NADIAN SINGLES	Country				Pr	ac. Sat.	1st Run	2nd Run
1.	John Wilde	Great Britain					10.30	9.30	13.30
2.	Otto Schumacher	German Feder	al Re	public			10.31	9.31	13.31
3.	Marcel Trenchant	France					10.32	9.32	13.32
4.	Geoff Dinsdale	Great Britain					10.33	9.33	13.33
5.	Claude Baux	France					10.34	9.34	13.34
6.	Zbynek Pulec	Czechoslovak	ia				10.35	9.35	13.35
7.	Gay Goldsmith	Great Britain					10.36	9.36	13.36
8.	Reinhold Kauder	German Feder	al Re	public			10.37	9.37	13.37
9.	Rowan Osborne	Great Britain					10.38	9.38	13.38
10.	Wick Walker	U.S.A		* *			10.39	9.39	13.39
11.	Sepp Schumacher	German Feder	ral Re	public		to, 4	10.40	9.40	13.40
12.	Jim Sibley	Great Britain					10.41	9.41	13.41
13.	Marcel Baudry	France					10.42	9.42	13.42
14.	John Albert	Great Britain					10.43	9.43	13.43
15.	F. Bonnet	France					10.44	9.44	13.44
1111	NIOR MEN KAYAK	SINGLES							
	Alan Edge	Great Britain					10.50	9.50	13.50
	Ramon Gabriel	Spain	• •	• •	• •	4 •	10.50	9.51	13.50
	Nigel Midgley	Great Britain	• •	* *	• •	• •	10.51	9.52	13.51
	François Gilot	Belgium	• •	• •	• •	• •	10.52	9.53	13.52
	Ian White	•	• •	• •	••	• •	10.53	9.54	13.54
	Alejo Salvat	Great Britain	• •		• •	• •	10.55	9.55	13.55
		Spain Great Britain	• •	• •	• •	• •	10.55	9.56	13.56
	Nigel Barnes J. Kroon		• •	• •	• •	• •	10.50	9.57	13.50
		Holland	• •		• •				
	Lindsay Moore	Great Britain	• •	• •	• •	• •	10.58	9.58 9.59	13.58 13.59
	Serge Laurent	Belgium	• •	• •	• •	• •	10.59		
	Brian Casey	Ireland	• •	• • •		• •	11.00	10.00	
	Roger Huyton	Great Britain			• •	• •	11.01	10.01	14.01
	Jesus Lopez	Spain			• •		11.02	10.02	
33.	R. van Iersell	Holland	• •	• •	• •	• •	11.03	10.03	14.03
LA	DIES KAYAK SINGL	ES							
36.	Fay Roberts	Great Britain					11.06	10.06	/ *
37.	J. Pilkington	Ireland					11.07	10.07	
38.	Dolores Raphael	Spain					11.08	10.08	
39.	Audrey Wickham	Great Britain					11.09	10.09	
40.	Rosine Roland	Belgium					11.10	10.10	
41.	Victoria Brown	Great Britain					11.11	10.11	
42.	Margaret Nutt	U.S.A					11.12	10.12	
43.	Carol Gostling	Great Britain					11.13	10.13	14.13
44.	Barbel Sattler	Austria					11.14	10.14	14.14

		Country				P	rac. Sat.	1 et Run	2nd Run
45	Pauline Goodwin	Great Britain					11.15	10.15	14.15
	Ludmilla Polesna	Czechoslovak	i.	• •	• •	• •	11.15	10.15	14.15
	Heather Goodman	H 4		• •	• •	• •	11.17	10.17	14.17
		Great Britain	• •	• •	• •	• •			
	Martine Godinne	Belgium	• •			• •	11.18	10.18	14.18
49.	Ria van Stipdonk	Holland				• •	11.19	10.19	14.19
SEI	NIOR MEN KAYAK	SINGLES							
53	Mike Thomas	Great Britain					11.23	10.23	14.23
	Eric Koechlin	France					11.24	10.24	14.24
	Gerry Collins	Ireland					11.25	10.25	14.25
	Jose Lopez	Spain					11.26	10.26	14.26
	Marcel Remacle	Belgium					11.27	10.27	14.27
	Bas van Stokkom	Holland					11.28	10.28	14.28
	Ryszard Macias	Poland		• •			11.29	10.29	14.29
	Reiner van Attafeld	German Fede		ublic	• •	• •	11.30	10.29	14.20
	Peter Murphy	Ireland			• •	• •	11.30	10.30	14.30
	Franz Zeilner		• •	• •	• •	• •	11.31	10.31	14.31
		Austria	• •		• •	• •			
	Jose Castellarnau	Spain	• •	• •		• •	11.33	10.33	14.33
	Frank Holdrinet	Holland			• •		11.34	10.34	14.34
	Michael Neudecker	Austria	• •	• •	• •	• •	11.35	10.35	14.35
	Sandy Campbell	U.S.A	• •	• •	• •	• •	11.36	10.36	14.36
	Claude Peschier	France	• •		• •	• •	11.37	10.37	14.37
	Hans Schlecht	Austria					11.38	10.38	14.38
	Uwe Schroter	German Fede	ral Rep	ublic	• •	• •	11.39	10.39	14.39
	Patrick Maccari	France				• •	11.40	10.40	14.40
	Raymond Calverley	Great Britain	• •				11.41	10.41	14.41
	Dave Mitchell	Great Britain					11.42	10.42	14.42
73.	Kurt Presslmayr	Austria					11.43	10.43	14.43
	Ken Langford	Great Britain					11.44	10.44	14.44
75.	Jan Sulc	Czechoslovak	ia				11.45	10.45	14.45
	Alain Colombe	France					11.46	10.46	14.46
77.	Melvin Swallow	Great Britain					11.47	10.47	14.47
78.	Eric Evans	U.S.A					11.48	10.48	14.48
79.	John Macleod	Great Britain					11.49	10.49	14.49
80.	Norbert Sattler	Austria					11.50	10.50	14.50
81.	Uwe Jobs	German Fede	ral Rep	ublic			11.51	10.51	14.51
82.	Andy Maher	Ireland					11.52	10.52	14.52
83.	Richard Martinsich	Austria					11.53	10.53	14.53
84.	Dave Talbot	Ireland					11.54	10.54	14.54
85.	Antonio Peiron	Spain					11.55	10.55	14.55
86.	Pol Dethise	Belgium					11.56	10.56	14.56
	Jurgen Rennwanz	German Fede					11.57	10.57	14.57
	Frank Pilkington	Ireland					11.58	10.58	14.58
	Siegfried Jahnke	German Fede					11.59	10.59	14.59
	Norman Rowe	Ireland					12.00	11.00	15.00
	Tony van der Aa	Holland					12.01	11.01	15.01
	Marcel Prevost	Belgium					12.02	11.02	15.02
	Peter van Stipdonck	Holland					12.03	11.03	15.03
	Pol Boulanger	Belgium					12.04	11.04	15.04
	Marcel Timmers	Belgium					12.05	11.05	
	Jap van Engers	Holland					12.06	11.06	
	Jaime Salvans	Spain					12.07	11.07	
	Jean-Paul Lambrette	Belgium					12.07	11.08	
30.	Jean-Lau Lampielle	Deigiuiii	• •	• •	• •		12.00	11.00	13.00

CANADIAN DOUBLES	Country			P	rac. Sat.	1st Run	2nd Run
105. Jenkinson/Slater	Great Britain			 	12.15	11.15	15.15
106. Pollert/Pollert	Czechoslovaki	ia		 	12.16	11.16	15.16
107. Seruga/Fraczek	Poland			 	12.17	11,17	15.17
108. Chaplin/Hodgson	Great Britain			 	12.18	11.18	15.18
109. Verhaar/Holdrinet	Holland			 	12.19	11.19	15.19
110. Philp/Purdy	<b>Great Britain</b>			 	12.20	11.20	15.20
111. Sportlichen/Grubben	International			 	12.21	11.21	15.21
112. Wenzel/Hess	German Feder	al Rep	ublic	 	12.22	11.22	15.22
113. Lesniak/Richter	Poland			 	12.23	11.23	15.23
114. Allen/Williams	<b>Great Britain</b>			 	12.24	11.24	15.24
115. Steindl/Mullneritsch	Austria			 	12.25	11.25	15.25
116. Goodwin/Court	Great Britain			 	12.26	11.26	15.26
117. Adamczyk/Zachwieza	Poland			 	12.27	11.27	15.2 <b>7</b>
118. Becker/Dietz	German Feder	al Rep	ublic	 	12.28	11.28	15.28
119. Elliott/Dawson	Great Britain			 	12.29	11.29	15.29

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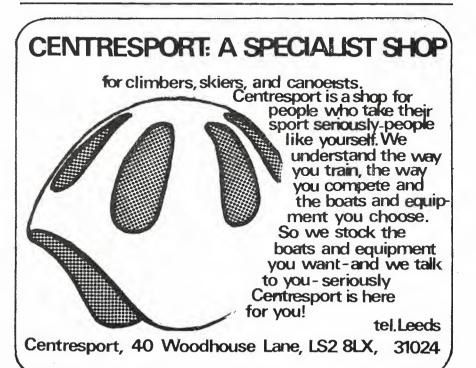
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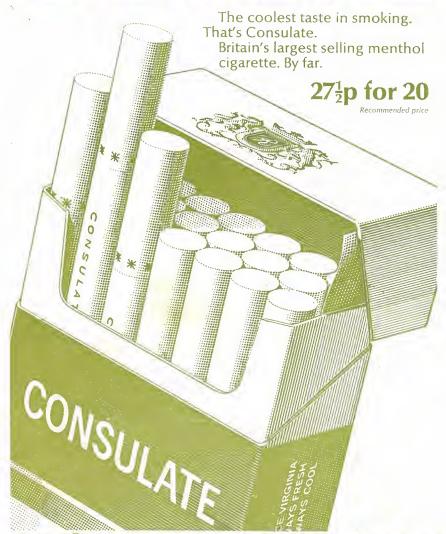
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