

1984 OLYMPICS

THE GREAT AMERICAN **EXPERIMENT**

LOS ANGELES Second Time

When, barring a force majeure, the Games of the XX-Illrd Olympiad open in the Colisuem in Los Angeles on 28th July 1984, it will be only the third time that a city has staged the Games twice, the others were Paris in 1900 and 1924 and London in 1908 and 1948. Los Angeles previously hosted the Games in 1932.

Los Angeles (or rather Southern California) had formed a Committee hoping to re-win the Games for Los Angeles as far back as 1939 but could not obtain the support of the United States Olympic Committee, for many years losing out to Detroit. However when eventually Los Angeles was given USOC ap proval, three bids were made; two were unsuccessful (those for the 1976 and 1980 Games) but when Teheran withdrew from the 1984 Games reckoning, they were at last awarded to Los Angeles.

New Concept

Let it be said however, that the award of the Games to Los Angeles by the International Olympic Games to Los Angeles by the International Olympic Committee was not immediate. When it became clear that Los Angeles was the only candidate city, there followed a period of intense negotiations bet-ween the IOC and the Southern Californian Com-mitte for the Olymic Games. Indeed at the 80th Ses-sion of the IOC in Athens in May 1978 (the usual time for the successful candidate city to sign on the dot-ted line) no agreement could be reached. It was not until 20th October 1978 that the two parties finally ratified the agreement. And the problem ... yes of course, money. Los

And the problem . . . yes of course, money. Los Angeles wated the Games but the city, having become wary since Mayor Drapeau's extravaganza in Montreal, did not want any financial obligations. in Montreal, did not want any tinancial obligations. What Los Angeles was proposing was a private Organising Committee of interested businessmen who would stage the Games at no cost to the city. The IOC, with no other candidate, finally — if somewhat reluctantly — agreed to this concept. A principle described by the Organising Committee as: "Financial concept, Private financing of the games by an Orransising Committee with no financial liability.

by an Organising Committee with no financial liability for the host city

Cost to the Taxpayer, None. The 1984 Games will be conducted at no cost to the taxpayers of Los Angeles

Well, on 1st Jauary 1983, with 575 days to go, how is the American 'Great Experiment' (as "Olympic Countdown" the Los Angeles Organising Committee publication describes it) shaping up to its challenge? Certainly there are some major departures from Olympic Games' norms. For example, there will be two villages some 11 kilometres apart. Fewer new facilities have been built than at recent Games, the basic philosophy being to utilise the many excellent existing sporting venues in the Los Angeles area. The costs to the individual participating National Olympio Committees are going to be considerably increased because the Los Angeles Olympic Organising Com-mittee has made it clear that participating countries will have to pay their way and cannot expect the "privileged guest" treatment which has become almost traditional at recent Olympic Games

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And this is the bottom line as far as the British Olympic Association is concerned. It is now abun-dantly clear that if we take our normal sized team to the Games and the number of events increases with each Games and with it the number of potential Olympic competitors claiming places) then Los Angeles is most certainly going to be the most ex-pensive exercise ever as far as we are concerned.

pensive exercise ever as far as we are concerned. Budgets, of course, are estimated of likely expen-diture which need constant updating, but for the re-cent Commonwealth Games we were able to predict expenditure to within £1.500 in total outgoings of £219,000. Clearly the Olympic Games are a much big-ger operation and because of the difficulties in predicting what the Organising Committee intend providing for competing nations and with spiralling inflation. Dudgeting for Los Apoeles is a much more inflation, budgeting for Los Angeles is a much more difficult task. However, first estimates show that the cost of our participation in the summer Games of 1984 is likely to reach a staggering total of between £1,100,000 and £1,200,000.



How on earth was such a figure reached you may How on earth was such a figure reached you may well ask? If I told you that the cost of transporting the horses for our equestrian teams is likely to top £100,000 and that we have hachts, rowing boats, cances, bicycles and much more freight besides, you may have some idea of our heavy financial obliga-tions. In addition the policy of the Los Angeles Olym-pic Organising Committee in making participating countries pay their way means that transportation for our team which is normally provided by an Ormanics. our team which is normally provided by an Organis-ing Committee, is being cut back to a basic bus ser-vice between venues, this means that in order to provide our competitors with an equal opportunity as compared to the other top nations, we will have to hire a considerable fleet of cars, minibuses, buses and trucks in Los Angeles.

Other costs

The IOC allows only the very basic number of coaches to live in the Olympic village and all the top sporting nations will bring extra coaches and officials to the Games. In Moscow these personnel were allowed to stay at subsidised rates in the village. In Los Angeles we will have to house them as and where we can, at whatever the cost of accommoda-tion will be in the city at that time, while the rate for accommodation for the teams living in the village is likely to be the highest for any Games to date. Our re

quirements to fund a team of between 380 and 400 i.e. telephones, desks, etc. will also have to be paid

for, including installation costs at Los Angeles prices. And the Government? Well, money to sport is channelled through the Sports Council and they have told us that they will give us 75% of our costs to travel IF OUR APPEAL FAILS. Now, if our Appeal fails then we can all pack up and go home, so we must turn to someone who so far hasn't failed us. I speak of course of George Nicholson our appeals Secretary, who since 1979 for the 1980 Olympic Games and the 1982 Commonwealth Games, has raised a sum approaching £11 million. (The sad and somewhat startling fact is that we have also handed over to H.M. Government £239,000 in taxes since 19791)

1984 Appeal

So to put British Sport in that prestigious of shop windows, the Olympic Games and in order to take part in the American "Great Experiment" in Los Angeles, we are all going to rely a very great deal on George Nicholson and the 1984 Olympic Appeal Please give it your support - every penny will count!

PRINCESS ANNE LAUNCHES **OLYMPIC** APPEAL

As the new President of the British Olympic Associached the 1984 British Olympic Aspeal at a special reception in the Great Hall, Barclays Bank in Lombard Street, London.

bard Street, London. The Appeal is aimed at funding the British Team for the 1984 Olympic Games. The Summer Games will take place in Los Angeles from 28 July to 12 August next year, and the Winter Games in Sarajevo in February 1984. Canceing events take place in the second week of the Olympics between 9-12 August. To send a strong British representation to the Olympics will cost an estimated £1.5 million, which the Appeal is hoping to raise with the support of the British public including schools, sports clubs and units of the armed forces. Commercial sponsorships, personal approaches to British Industry and a

personal approaches to British Industry and a separate appeal to the Trade Union Movement will also play an important part.

Explaining the considerable expense, Mr. Bevan, (Chairman of the Appeal Committee and Chairman of Barclays Bank) said, "The cost of transporting the equestrian team alone is likely to exceed £100,000. Then we have to transport yachts, rowing 'shells' and other essential equipment. In addition, we have to pay the cost of accommodating the team in the Olympic Village and provide them with adequate backing, so they are competing on equal terms with representatives from other countries." The British Olympic Appeal receives no financial

aid from the Government, so Britain's top sportsmen and women who hope to be our Olympic gold medal winners next year are relying on the success of the Appeal.

Canoeings own appeal for funds, will take place on 7 May 1984 when this years 'May Day Appeal' will be directed towards preparing the British Cance Racing Team. Further information will be available with the February edition of Focus, through your club and at the Canoe Exhibition

ERIC SWALE

It is with a deep sense of loss that I have to record the sudden death of Eric Swale on 24 September. Eric died of a heart attack whilst out cycling and was aged 60. Eric had been an active member of the Coaching Scheme, and an active canoeist for the past 15 years. He was well known as a Runs Organiser with the Canoe Camping Club and as an Officer of the River-side Canoe Club Oxford. Until last year he was the Regional Coaching Organiser for the BCU Southern Region. His regular weekly canoeing instruction with the Oxford Polytechnic Canoe Club and his work with the Oxfordshire Canoe Club and his work with the Oxfordshire Canoe Coaching Panel are other areas where he will be sadly missed. For many of us, Eric Swale represented the 'grass roots' of canoeing. He was a competent and ex-perienced canoeist who served on many national committees. He loved canoeing and the great out-doors. He was a man always prepared to help others, always prepared to assist, or organise, a canoeing the He put in as much as he took out. 60. Eric had been an active member of the Coaching

trip. He put in as much as he took out.

Eric Swale will be sally missed by all those who have paddled with him over the years. He will be remembered and respected as a true canoeist, and as a friend, by many in the canoeing world David Holmes.





The briefing

The British Schools Canoe Association enjoyed a sponsored weekend of canceing on the river Wye, based on PGL Young Adventure's centre at Hole in the Wall from 24-25 September. Around two dozen groups, involving some 250

youngsters, leaders and instructors took part in a down river relay, a 6-hour doubles relay, and various tours. Ideal weather conditions, with the river falling to a manageable level following a sudden rise, enhanced the occasion.

Brian Horn, Director of the North West Centre of Excellence, had conceived the whole idea, recon-noitred the river, and finally spent a very busy two days making sure that every detail was covered. With 21 teams of six paddlers to be conveyed to five dif-ferent staging posts for the 25-mile relay, and staff organised to conduct tours, provide back-up safety cover, and supervise the non-stop doubles relay, he was kept fairly well occupied.

Over 40 BCU Coaching Scheme members and others offered their services for free to provide the instruction and marshalling. Together with the leaders who had brought the groups, and the participants, a tremendous enthusiasm developed for the event, and all went away having enjoyed a worthwhile get-



SCHOOLS JAMBOREE Scenes at the change-over - circular relation PGL YOUNG ADVENT

Watery Wanderings

SEASONAL INSTRUCTORS REQUIRED

Two Senior Instructors are required to operate Youth Hostel Association canoeing holidays in the Bala area during summer 1984.

Please send for full details to: Director of Addlestone, Surrey KT15 1.V. Some casual work may arise as a result of this

venture. Instructors/Senior Instructors, wishing to be contacted in such instances, please inform the Director of Coaching.

WHITE WATER GUIDE REQUIRED

Keen, experienced white water canceing instructor is sought to act as adviser/guide for visiting groups in Alps for school holiday period.

The person concerned must have several seasons experience on continental white water rivers (including grade V).

Expenses and remuneration by negotiation. Please apply in writing by 20 December, stating briefly experience and qualifications, to: Box 701, c/o BCU Flexel House, 45-47 High Street, Addlestone, Surrey K115 1JV.

PLACID WATER APPEAL

The theme of the Racing and Marathon Committees for Olympic Year 1984 is 'Participation for all ages and at all levels'.

If you have any material – photos, transparencies, posters – depicting this theme, would you please loan them to Peter Sellwood, 15 Bloomfield Road, Bath, Avon (0225-21572)

MISSING TROPHIES

One paddle, and two shields, perpetual trophies from the 1981 Waveney Valley CC Marathon, have still not been raturned

Would any member, having one of these trophies whereabouts, please communicate with Mr. M. Bliss, Nut Tree Farm, Redenhall, Marleston, IP20

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HELP LINE

The Marathon Committee has had a period of fairly stable membership until recently. Last year saw the departure of Bernard Perrett

after a number of years of hard work with Sports Aid Grants. Whilst Peter Gorman has ably stepped into Bernard's place the Committee is now to lose the competent services of Ken Lovell who has served for

a considerable length of time as the treasurer. Ken's ability of manipulating the inadequate amount of money available to fulfil demands that are placed on the Committee's resources has long been taken for granted. Marathon racing owes him a larg debt of gratitude. How to replace Ken and with whom? That is the

cry of 'Help' from the Marathon Committee. They are in need of additional support, not only in this area but throughout their whole range of activity. Please con-sider whether you could help. If so, contact the Committee Chairman, Alan Laws, by writing c/o BCU headquarters, Flexel House, 45-47 High Street, Ad-dlestone, Surrey.

REVISED BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

With the introduction of the new memberships, the special appeal of the £4 basic memberships, and "uncommitted" or touring canoeists - some members have seen fit to reduce from full to basic, their own membership. In doing so however, some members have not lost sight of the true value of the services offered by the BCU, and have sought a "revision to their balance of payments".

A quote from a recent letter highlights the support

A quote from a recent letter highlights the support for the work we carry out. "For the past 15 years or so I have been a full member but have felt increasingly that the interests of the touring canceist such as myself have a low priority over the competitive side of BCU. Accordingly I have changed my membership to basic, but am also enclosing a cheque for £8 which I basic, but am also enclosing a cheque for £8 which I

wish to be used to help to keep our waters available

It is responses like this, from the membership, which lead me to believe that the BCU membership, structure is at last on the right road R.F. Irwin

BCU National Access Officer

*Placid Water Awards

The Placid Water Awards are designed for those who wish to introduce others to canceing on placid waters in open-cockpit touring and racing canoes on-ly. They are particularly relevant to racing/marathon/touring based clubs, and do not qualify a person to operate with closed cockpit slalom/white water based cances and kayaks. *A limited number of courses will be available during 1984 for members to qualify as Canoe Teacher (Placid Water only) and Senior Instructor (Placid Water

Entry requirements for these Canoe Teacher courses are: 1. Be a member of the BCU (or National

Association).

wish to be updated on the skills and instructional system for placid water canoeing can attend a one-day endorsement course. Apply to: D. Train, Glen Villa, Fladbury. Pershore, Worcs.

Due to a request from the Ludlow anglers, the previously successful agreement for canceing the Upper Teme has been revised. The previous agree-ment provided canceists with uninterrupted use on the last weekend in each month from September to February inclusive. The revised dates for 1983-84 are:

October 1983 – 13t & Znd, 29th and 30th November 1983 – 12th & Znd, 29th and 30th November 1983 – 26th & 31st January 1984 - 1st, 21st & 22nd February 1984 - 18th - 19th

The agreement still requires that all groups wishing to use this river contact the local access officer prior to commencement of planned trip. This will help in the management of this small but interesting river and ensure that the numbers of canceists are not ex-cessive at any one time. Contact - Local Access Officer Chris Charters, X Persei House, Staunton-on-Wye, Herefordshire, HR4 7NF. Tel: 09817 308.

Barbed Wire? River Dane

Canoeists using the River Dane should note that a strand of barbed wire has been fixed across the rive about two miles below Middlewick in Cheshire. Although a space has been left at one side, the fact that the wire comes right after a bend in the river, could cause grave problems in spate. M.J.Wood, River Advisor

Preparing for the start of the down-river relay

Glen Greer, Managing Director of PGL Young Adventure, was on hand to extend hospitality to the visiting staff and instructors on the Saturday night. Rob Hastings, member of the Dudh Khosi expedi-tion, who had brought a group from his own school, showed films and slides to the 'troops' meanwhile

With camping and catering facilities available at lodest cost, and the helpers accommodated for ee, besides the availability of transport and their hard worked staff, grateful thanks are due to Glen Greer and PGL Young adventure for the generous sponsorship. Everyone hopes that they will have felt it to be worthwhile, and that a similar rally can be staged next year.

William Temple Highschool from Preston managed to raise £80 of sponsorship money through their efforts in the events, which is to be donated to a suitable charity for young people who are disabled.

RESULTS Circular Relay (4 hours)

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Canal Marathon for all Canoeists

The first organised Trans Pennine Canal Marathon The event the longest cancer approximate the provided the space of the cancer and the cancer and

The event, the longest canoe race in the North of England, is being organised jointly by British Water-ways Board and the Liverpool Watersports Centre who are looking for entries from experienced canoeists, youth groups and canoeists who will par-ticipate just for the fun and experience of the event. Examples of some of the fast times previously record-ed for the route are 30 hrs 30 mins in1973 by a twoman team from Ormskirk, and 20 hrs 40 mins in 1982 by a team from Liverpool Fire Brigade with portage stance.

All competitors will receive a prize in the form of a T-shirt and all those completing the course a cer-tificate recording their achievements and, in addi-tion, trophies will be awarded to the winners of the events outside the fun event. Also, a special Fire Brigade trophy will be awarded to the best placed Fire Brigade Team.

Fire Brigade Team. For an application form and further details of the Canal Marathon, entrants should contact Gwen White, Liverpool Watersports Centre, Inner Temple, Temple Lane, Liverpool L2 5RS Telephone 051 227 3208 or Keith Wheal, Leisure Division, British Water-ways Board, PO Box 9, 1 Dock Street, Leeds LS1 1HH. Telephone 0532 436741

Access Agreement: The Upper Teme Burrington Bridge to Ludlow

2. Be a minimum of 18 years of age. 3 Be able to swim. Have previous canoeing experience. urrent Instructors and Senior Instructors who

NEW BOUYANCY AID STANDARD

Wild Water

The BCU and the British Canoe Manufacturers Association have agreed the new Standard for buoyancy aids ideal for canoeing, to be known as buoyancy aids ideal for canoeing, to be known as BCU/BCMA BA83. On 18 October '83 the first for mal testing session took place, and the following devices are now entitled to display the Standard's Haris

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y Canoe Products	Chevron Junior
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CANOLFAN TRYWERYN

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Canolfan Tryweryn is situated on the site of the 1981 World Slalom and Wild Water Racing Championships, at Bala in North Wales. The river which is con Ships, at Bala in Morth Wales. The New Wild's Col-trolled by the Dee and Clwyd Division of the Welsh Water Authority, flows from Llyn Celyn to the con-fluence of the River Dee just below Bala, a distance of about 51 miles, and is an integral part of the Dee Regulation System, the most sophisticated of its kind in the world.

The first six months has seen a great deal of activi that the cantre with over 3,700 canoeists using the facilities. During the summer months there were many full releases from Llyn Celyn and the big disappointment was how few casual paddlers actually us ed the site

The usage chart shows the general pattern of use. There were no releases in April or May apart from the guaranteed releases for competitive events therefore

sentence in the sentence of th releases during this time. At the present the reservoir is filling well and hopefully releases should begin at the end of October or beginning of November. In flood conditions it would be possible to use the river

from Tyn Ddol bridge (about halfway) to Bala. This gives grade III/IV conditions. From the 16th October until 28th February the whole of the river is once again accessible, thanks to the co-operation of the local landowners and Bala Angling Association. At present negotiations are go-ing on to try to increase the number of days available for use of the whole river in the summer months. Planned improvements include changing and showering accomodation, better car parking and im-provements to the course to try to make it safer for canoeists and canoes.

Heated changing accommodation and toilet facilities are available on site. About 50 training gates are now stored at the centre for general use and permanent lines will help to make training less of a chore this winter.

The Canceing Management Officer in conjunction with WWA, local landowners and other interested parties controls access to the stretch of water from the fish pass near the foot of the dam to the bottom of the international slalom site, a distance of 11 miles. Access to the rest of the river may be arranged provided sufficient notice is given, though this is unlikely to be given during the fishing season from March to late October.

In the close fishing season, from 17th October until 28th February, the whole of the river from the fish pass to just below the main road bridge in Bala may be used. Access may only be obtained via the Canoeing Management Officer for both summer and winte use. There will be no access at all during the first two weeks in March as this is the beginning of the fishing season.

A telephone answering machine is in operation to advise on water levels and availability. The number is Bala (0678) 520 826. The location of Canolfan Tryweryn is Ordnance

Survey Map 1-50,000, Sheet 125 — Bala and Lake Vyrnwy GR 892402. The address for correspondence is: George Davis, Canolfan Tryweryn, Canoeing Management Officer, Council Offices, High Street, Bala, Gwynedd

Canolfan Tryweryn Usage April - September 1093

Overall Usage:

Month	Total	Casual	Comp	atition	River	Season
	Useage	Useage	Slalom	Wild Water	Tours	ticket use
April	401		214	187		
May	561		-	81	480	
June	599	35	550			14
July	999	210	689			100
August	572	432	40			100
September (Until 6th)	652	17	292	73	250	20
Total Useage	3784	694	1785	341	730	234

Deluxe Zipped Original Shortie Junior Shortie Project X

No assessment has been made of the suitability for specific purposes such as expedition, or use by cen-tres or instructors, of a particular model of buoyancy aid. The Standard referred to the requirements for

minimum buoyancy, strength of materials, and method of construction of the base device only. It is intended that the requirement for buoyancy aids to bear the Standard label will be phased in over a reasonable period. Paddlers who have, or have just purchased, a buoyancy aid which is currently ac-cepted for use in BCU competitions should not therefore become alarmed.

A full statement and explanation will be carried in next edition of Focus (pre Exhibition issue February)

FROM THE CHAIR by Geoff Sanders

1983 to fill the complement of places vacant. The membership needs to be fully and well represented and your Council hopes that there will be more candidates in the forthcoming elections. For the Council is the policy making body of the BCU and Councillors take part in discussions and make decisions which will affect the future progress of canoeing in this country

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Photo V.G. Hooper.

We need Councillors who have the best interest of canoeing at heart and who can represent the in-terests of canoeists from all the many varied aspects of our activity and from all parts of the country. Are you willing to stand or do you know someone suitable whose name you can (with his/her approval) put forward?

Members of a democratic organisation must now allow elections to go by default! If you can't stand or nominate, please do use your vote in a responsible fashion when the election takes place.

DRUGS CONTROL

The British Canoe Union Sports Management Committee, which is the authority delegated with respon-sibility for overseeing the affairs of the Union's seven competitive disciplines, agreed earlier this year to support the control of drugs useage within canoeing, and accepted an invitation from the Sports Council Drugs Abuse Advisory Group to participate in a trial Drugs Testing scheme, using independent sampling officers on a random and nil notice basis.

The practical effect of this agreement, is that the four major competitive disciplines, that is Marathon Racing, Racing, Slalom, and Wild Water Racing have each submitted to the Sports Council a calendar of events to be held between the 1st December 1983 and the 30th April 1984. Sampling Teams will select at least one event, which may be a competition or a training activity, on a nil notice basis, for undertaking drugs sampling, and the procedures for testing will be determined by them. The British Canoe Union

Amateur Rule provides — "That amateur canoeists may not, in the practice of sport and in the opinion of the British Canoe Union, manifestly contravene the spirit of fair

A copy of the Union's Regulations "Measures for the Control of Doping Agents", produced by the Medical Advisory Panel, is available on request from

Hasler Trophy - Marathon Club Championship Hasler Trophy Final In excess of four hundred paddlers competed in the Hasler Trophy final.

Following regional qualifying events nineteen clubs completed in the event held at Learnington. Sponsored by Cape Industries, the event was won by Richmond Canoe Club representing London & South East. Wey Kayak Club finished second, some four-teen points adrift of the winners.

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May	19-20	Tryweryn	Open event	23
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* This is not a guaranteed weekend. Should the water not be available an alternative weekend of February 25-26 will hopefully be available. Information from WWR Ansaphone or Organiser, and Tryweryn ansaphone. § Youths/Junior team selection.

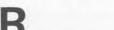
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 Susan Ward, Edinburgh Univ. Canoe Club, 42 The Pleasance, Edinburgh.
 D Patterson, Rennishaw Way, Links View, Manthematical Science Scienc
- B P Hennessy, Our Lady of Fatima School House, Winchfield Drive, Harborne, Birmingham.
- Glasgow University CC, Race Organiser, Stevenson Building, 77 Oakfield Ave., 7
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 D Wheeler, The Cottage, Blind Lane, Hackney, Mattock, Derbyshire.
 R Davies, U.C.W. Canoe Club, Sports Hall, Penglais, Aberystwyth, Dyfed. Wales.
 K Fraser, 2 Denholmill Cottages, Denholmill, United. 11
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 D Taylor, Whinney House Hospital, Low Fell, Gateshead, Tyne & Wear.
 S Durward, 18 Highburgh Road, Glasgow G12.
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There is no doubt that the BCU could be mu uch mor dynamic if its form of government was akin to that of a dictatorship ... and we were able to ensure a high guality dictator. Quick decisions and rulings (let's (literally?) and administration (let's hope it was effi (literally?) and administration (let's hope it was effi cient) could be the order of the day. Fortuntely we are more democratic: even if it does

at times seems tiresome, we do avoid the worst ex-tremes of ruthlessness only too possible when the a democratic institution stands or falls on the degree of responsibility shown by its members and the willingness of a number of them to participate in the

government of their organisation. It was regrettable and, I believe, rather serious that there were insufficient nominations for membership of the Council of Management at the beginning of

SPORTSMANSHIP

The Union's Sports Committees have been required to consider several breaches of their disciplinary codes in recent months, and there are signs that the outstanding performances of our competitors, which are now the rule rather than the exception in our sport, are producing unpleasant side effects. Whilst bad behaviour may be tolerated, indeed cynically regarded as a necessary evil, by some governing bodies, the Council of Management have made it quite clear that Canoeing will not permit abuses of the traditional high standards of sportsmanship and behaviour which amateur competitors, officials and spectators, have a right to expect. Following a report received regarding the most recent disciplinary inci-dent, the Council unanimously agreed at their last meeting, that a formal statement be published for the information of all members of the Union – "That the Council of Management notify all Com

mittees responsible for overseeing the standards of conduct and behaviour to be observed within their disciplines, of their unreserved support for necessary action undertaken within the con-straints of the Union's Articles, Rules, and Regulations, to discourage violence, bad sport-smanship, and actions calculated to contravene the spirit of fair play, and that this statement be publicly confirmed forthwith."

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