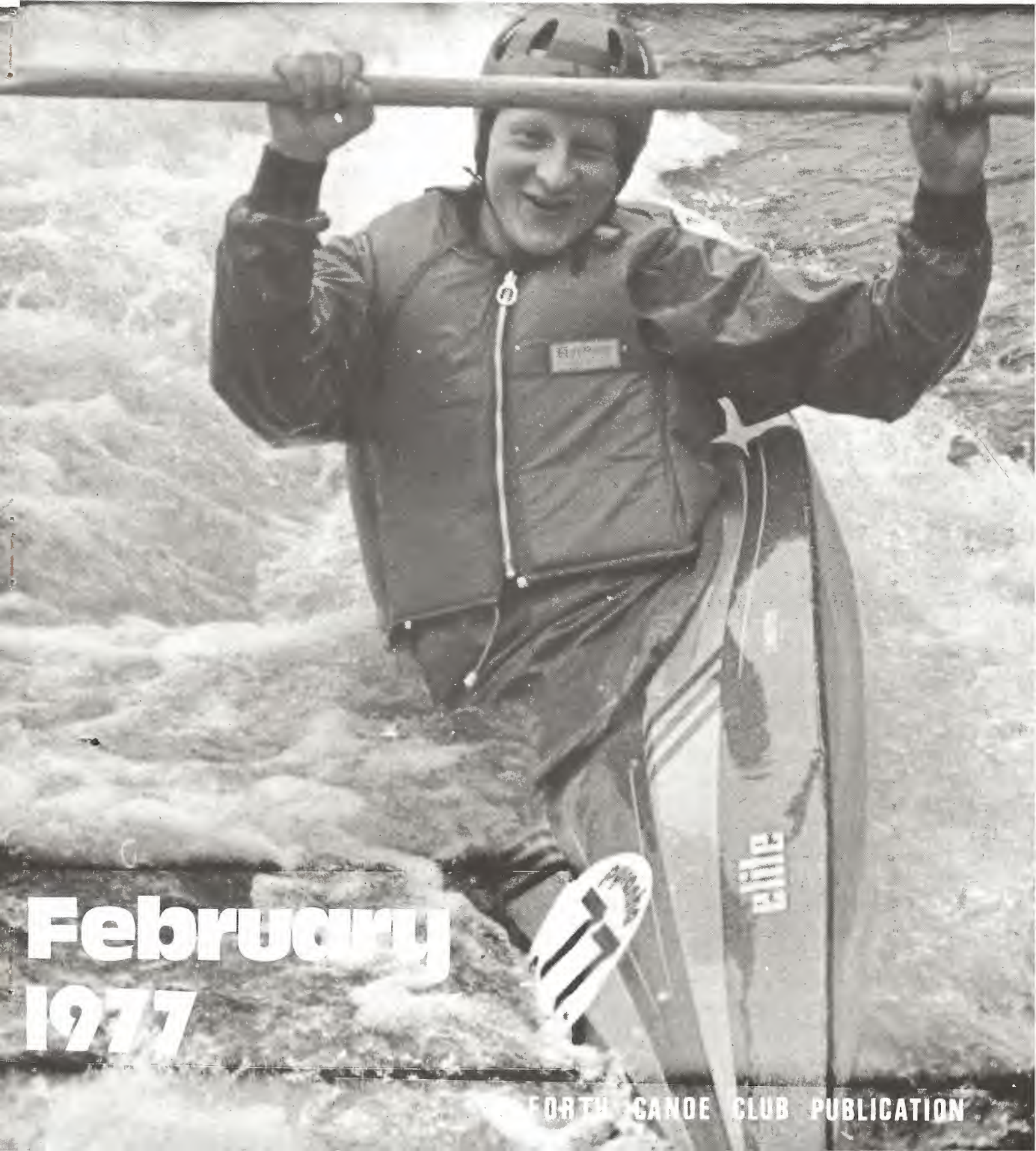


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FRONT COVER: A well known Scottish canoeist puts his new slalom kayak through its paces at the River Clyde Race - February 1977. Photo: by Jackie McCurdie:
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E D I T O R I A L

Isn't it a bit unfair that when there is a strike the workers are usually blamed? The managers somehow or other are exempt. If "tomorrow's managers" are at present studying at University and currently doing a spot of canoe racing, then Britain's industrial decline must be assured if their behaviour at River Races is anything to go by!

On what grounds do I make this libellous statement? Simply from my experiences at the Grandtully D.R.R. plus one other anecdote which I am sure you will find interesting.

At Grandtully, the worthy students from Glasgow, Strathclyde and Aberdeen, despite being sent information regarding the event two weeks earlier, declined to enter before the day as requested. Glasgow University and Strathclyde University arrived shortly after 11 a.m. and held up the start for some time while I entered them and some other non-students.

Aberdeen University arrived after mid-day, completely missing the race. Heriot Watt University entered a week earlier with the correct fees, even including those for the team event. However, they changed boats and names on the day of the race without informing me. Consequently there was some confusion that evening when they 'phoned for results!

Edinburgh University did not appear for the race; they were probably up to the eyes organising the Tay race for the following weekend. Their event must have come as an afterthought and did not appear on the Calendar. Consequently there was only an entry of around 20 appeared on the day. Give them their due though, the E.U.C.C. race was well organised and the hot soup much appreciated!

Meanwhile, back at Grandtully. One young lady, a former student, entered late, complained about her number, was unaware she had won her class and proceeded to practise on the river during the prizegiving. All in all this made for a rather unhappy day at the races for the organiser.

Oh yes, I almost forgot, "the anecdote" or should I say by now, the epilogue?

Edinburgh University nominated Peter Turcan for Sportsman of the Year at the University. Peter had a distinguished year of competition in 1976 and consequently won the award. A special presentation was arranged with the University dignitaries in attendance, but unfortunately Peter was unable to attend as he was out training. "What conceit" you might say? No! the Canoe Club just forgot to tell Pete he had won the Award.

Andrew Morton.

During 1977 the S.C.A. hopes to send teams abroad to compete in W.W. Slalom, L.D. and Sprint events. Final details will not be known for some time but it is probable that (a) a combined W.W. and Slalom team will visit the Continent in late July/early August for events at Augsburg, Mittenwald, Lofer and Laningen, (b) an L.D. team will go to Denmark for the Gudena Marathon on 17/18th September and (c) a Sprint team will go to an appropriate event during the summer.

The selectors will decide the precise mix of each team but it is their present intention to aim for a balanced mixture of seniors and juniors.

Selection events will be:-

1. W.W. 1st Senior and 1st Junior at the Nith on 27th February.
1st/2nd Senior and Junior at the Awe on 24th April.
(There is a possibility of two Canadian paddlers being chosen if there are paddlers available who are considered to be of sufficiently high standard).
2. Slalom - Grandtully Div. I Slalom on 9/10th April.
3. Sprint - based on Sprint Regattas at Strathclyde Park on 7th May and 4th June, and Loch Lubnaig on 22nd May.
4. L.D. - based primarily on performance in Tay Marathon on 3/4 September supplemented by results in Three Lochs Marathon on 25/26 June.

The Selectors for 1977 are:-

W.W. and Slalom:- Kath Irvine, Andrew Manwell, Graham Smith.

L.D. and Sprint:- Bill McKinley, Fred Nelson, John Turcan.

Team Managers: - Sprint - Bill McKinley

L.D. - John Turcan

Slalom and W.W. - to be appointed.

Most senior competitive paddlers in Scotland will know about trips abroad by Scottish teams but some younger paddlers may not be aware of the opportunities open to them in all branches of the sport. Chances of selection are good for those who train regularly and take part in both the selection and other events.

Although selection is based primarily on performance at particular events, the Selectors usually need to take into account performance at other events before reaching a final decision on team composition. To try to make sure that relevant information is available when required, a central record of race results is being started this year. Those who would like to be included can obtain the record forms from the S.C.A. office in Edinburgh or from John Turcan.

This year's A.G.M. was held in Bristol, one of the biennial forays into the Provinces which make it more rather than less difficult for many members to attend.

Meetings of various committees were held throughout the day and I stayed for a while at the L.D., Sprint, Sailing and Sea Touring Committees. The Sea Touring Committee is still in process of formation and whilst I was at their meeting the proposed rules were amended to include a statement that on matters related to Scotland the Committee would liaise with the S.C.A.

The A.G.M. started at 1500 hrs and I was told that the attendance of about 130 was higher than usual. Many present were, I think, surprised by the election results. Though David Wain is held in high regard by those who know him it came as a surprise when he polled 200 votes to 186 for John Dudderidge. John has made a tremendous contribution to the development of canoeing in Britain and I hope that his advice and help will still be readily available to us in the future.

In the elections for Council, three new members were elected - Hilary Peacock, John Handyside and Geoff Sanders. Eric Totty and Alan Laws were re-elected.

There was only one motion for discussion, namely "that the Slalom and W.W. Committee be separated into two committees". As the management of the Union is constitutionally the prerogative of the Council, the motion was amended to read "this meeting recommends to Council that separate Slalom and W.W. Committees be created". After a full and slightly acrimonious discussion, the voting on a show of hands was 62 For, 24 Against, 14 Abstentions. To my astonishment one of the opposers of the motion asked for proxy votes to be counted and this increased the majority in favour of the motion considerably - 233 For, 56 Against, 18 Abstentions. The B.C.U. Council will now have to investigate the management of Slalom and W.W. as a matter of some urgency and if the recommendation for splitting the committee is not accepted the reasons will need to be good.

*The A.G.M. ended with the presentation of Awards, though unfortunately many of the trophy winners were absent; a situation we are familiar with at our own A.G.M.

After the A.G.M. a short meeting of the new Council elected Geoff Sanders as the Chairman for 1977 with Ted Owen becoming vice Chairman as well as Treasurer. Ted was clearly happy at shedding some of his responsibilities.

* 12th February 1977

TAY MARATHON 3rd/4th SEPTEMBER 1977

ARRANGEMENTS TO DATE: The race will be of two stages:

Stage I : 26 miles from Killin to Grandtully on Saturday

Stage II : 34 miles from Grandtully to Perth on Sunday.

Teams of 10 paddlers have been invited from Wales, England and Ireland.

The 28th/29th August, 1976, saw the first North East of Scotland Surf Championships being held at Sandend, near Cullen. For those of you who don't know the area, Sandend is on the north coast of Scotland between Inverness and Fraserburgh, some 60 miles north of Aberdeen. Sandend has a superb gently shelving beach which is ideal for surf. The judging is done from the side of the bay so the judges have an excellent view of the competition area. The organisers were somewhat worried about the event because right up until the Thursday evening there had been weeks of perfect weather for sunbathing. On the Thursday evening a gentle 15 - 20 knot wind from the north, started to blow waves and on the Saturday there was a beautiful sunny day with ideal surf conditions, although the wind was a little cold. On the Sunday morning there was heavy rain which made the surf even better, but made life difficult for judges, competitors and spectators. As a result two of the events had equal points but with conditions being so cold the organisers didn't put the competitors out for another 20 minutes in order to make a decision.

There were nearly 70 competitors who came from all over Scotland, most of them either camped at the Sandend Caravan site or stayed in the Cullen Outdoor Centre which has accommodation for 50 people with ample quantities of hot water for showers, etc.

Sponsorship for the event came from local distilleries and national canoeing firms:-

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Elgin Canoe Club designed and donated perpetual plaques for each main event.

The main judge was Jim Newnes from Caldercrux and he was joined by a team of surf canoeists.

The results of the competition were as follows:-

Total number of competitors - 68

(Abbreviations: Aberdeen Kayak Club - AKC; Elgin Canoe Club - ECC; Fraserburgh Canoe Club - FCC; Inverurie Canoe Club - ICC; Linlithgow Outdoor Centre - LOC; Outward Bound Moray - OBM; Stirling University Canoe Club - SUCC; Stoneywood Outdoor Centre - SOC).

Surf Race - Junior

1. A. Fulton, Keith
2. I. Watt, FCC
3. E. Sutherland, FCC

Surf Race - Open

1. R. Nicolle, RAF, CA
2. P. Rawlings-Jackson, ICC
3. G. Thomson, LOC

Canoe Handling - Junior

1. E. Sutherland, FCC
1. A. Fulton, Keith equal
3. I. Watt, FCC
4. J. Kelly, LOC
5. W. Taylor, ECC
6. W. Noble, FCC

Canoe Handling - Open

1. R. Nicolle, RAF
2. N. Spinks, AKC
3. G. Speirs, SUCC
4. G. Thomson, LOC
5. P. Rawlings-Jackson, ICC
6. J. Mould, ECC

Canoe Handling - Novice

1. I. Jamieson, SOC
2. G. Thomson, LOC
2. G. Speirs, SUCC equal
4. J. Gilchrist, Keith
5. W. Burnett, ICC
6. R. Burnett, ICC

Canoe Handling - Ladies'

1. A. Spinks, AKC
2. E. Cairns, Caldercrux
3. K. Thorpe, ICC
4. L. Morrison, LOC

NORTH EAST SCOTLAND CANOE SURF CHAMPS (contd.)

Surf Kayak - Junior

1. R. Strachan, ECC
2. E. Sutherland, FCC
3. J. Kelly, LOC
4. G. Ritchie, LOC

Surf Kayak Handling - Open

1. A. Frost, ECC equal
1. J. Mould, ECC equal
3. K. Watt, ECC
4. J. Gilchrist, Keith
5. A. McFarlane, OBM
6. E. McCann, ECC

Arising from the popularity of the event a Technical Committee has been formed who will promote the first Scottish Open event at Sandend on the English Bank holiday, 27th/28th August, 1977. The North East Scotland event will take place at Whitsuntide, 28th/29th May 1977. Both these events would welcome support from English canoeists.

John G. Mould
Competition Secretary.

GRANDTULLY DOWN RIVER RACE

6th February 1977

FORTH CANOE CLUB

RESULTSRiver Racing Class

1.	R. Lang	Port Glasgow	18.06.6	
2.	A. Eastwood	Glasgow University	18.35.5	
3.	A. Morton	Forth	18.36.6	
4.	K. Fraser	Roxburgh	18.36.7	
5.	C. Tannock	Strathclyde University	18.40.1	
6.	J. Oliver	Roxburgh	18.42.3	
7.	A. Lyall	Port Glasgow	19.09.5	Y
8.	I. Duncan	Glasgow University	19.24.1	
9.	J. Knox	Roxburgh	19.29.1	
10.	F. Nelson	Edinburgh White Water	19.30.8	
11.	D. McKenzie	Port Glasgow	19.33.4	
12.	I. Linn	Edinburgh White Water	19.35.9	
13.	A. Denny	Strathclyde Univ.	19.43.0	
14.	D. Brown	Glenrothes	19.58.5	Y
15.	P. Easson	Stirling Univ.	20.01.5	
16.	D. Tuttle	Royal West A.B.C.	20.17.2	Y
17.	A. Brungar	Glasgow University	20.19.4	
18.	D. Marshall	Linlithgow	20.30.0	
19.	A. McCallum	Strathclyde University	20.33.1	
20.	K. Robertson	Wallace High School	20.36.7	Y
21.	C. Tracey	Port Glasgow	20.38.5	Y
22.	A. Ramage	Edinburgh White Water Club	21.02.7	L
23.	C. Linn	Edinburgh White Water Club	21.04.0	L
24.	A. Walker	Glasgow University	21.15.5	
25.	C. Pattinson	Glasgow University	21.20.7	
26.	A. Dytch	Heriot Watt	21.20.9	
27.	L. Morrison	Kilmarnock	21.59.4	JL
28.	M. McDonald	Benmore Centre	22.10.5	
29.	D. McCallum	Glasgow University	22.10.6	
30.	M. Elliot	Boroughmuir School	22.16.6	JL
31.	A. Watt	Glasgow University	22.52.3	
32.	S. Borland	Port Glasgow	23.09.6	Y

RESULTSSlalon Class

1.	R. Kennedy	Edinburgh White Water	21.09.8	
2.	G. Tough	Brechin High School	21.23.8	Y
3.	J. Penman	Strathclyde University	21.29.8	
4.	J. Guthrie	Strathclyde University	21.38.0	
5.	M. Miles	Wallace High School	21.46.6	
6.	C. Heath	Fife	21.50.3	
7.	C. Dair	Fife	21.50.9	
8.	A. Brown	Wallace High School	21.51.0	Y
9.	G. Mowat	Dundee University	21.52.4	
10.	C. Douglas	Brechin High School	22.00.7	Y
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GRANDTULLY DOWN RIVER RACE - Results (contd.)

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Slalom Class

11.	R. Nicolle	R.A.F.C.A.	22.02.0	
12.	C. Nicc	Benmore Centre	22.09.8	
13.	M. Fitchett	Heriot Watt	22.19.3	
14.	A. Bell	Brechin High School	22.14.0	Y
15.	I. McDonald	Wallace High School	22.23.1	Y
16.	D. Jones	Wallace High School	22.31.7	Y
17.	I. Philip	Wallace High School	22.43.7	Y
18.	I. Smith	Wallace High School	22.49.0	Y
19.	J. Linning	Wallace High School	22.51.4	Y
20.	S. McLaughlin	Fife	22.52.0	Y
21.	R. Stevenson	Strathclyde University	22.54.1	
22.	D. Buick	Wallace High School	23.16.6	Y
23.	G. Hunter	Wallace High School	23.37.4	JL
24.	M. Mozolowski	Heriot Watt	23.49.4	
25.	C. Armstrong	Madras	24.04.3	
26.	N. Meldrum	Wallace High School	24.21.0	Y
27.	D. Liston	Heriot Watt	24.21.0	
28.	M. Boyd	Brechin High School	24.46.1	L
29.	P. Main	Benmore Centre	24.59.1	
30.	G. Low	Fife	25.12.0	Y
31.	C. Buick	Wallace High School	25.41.3	JL
32.	B. McIntosh	Heriot Watt	25.53.3	
33.	S. Brian	Heriot Watt	30.16.6	

RESULTS

C2 Class

1.	Robertson/Gray	Kilmarnock	21.35.1	D.R.
2.	Willing/Houston	Strathearn	23.20.0	S1
3.	England/Orridge	R.N.K.A. Rosyth	23.39.6	S1

RESULTS

Team Event Massed start at Aberfeldy - three legs.

1.	Roxburgh	Fraser/Oliver/Knox	34.41.5	
2.	Port Glasgow 'A'	Lang/Lyall/McKenzie	34.50.3	
3.	Scratch	Eastwood/Duncan/Walker	35.28.1	
4.	Strathclyde Univ.	Tannoch/Denny/McCallum	35.50.8	
5.	Edinburgh W.W.C.	Nelson/Linn/Linn	36.35.1	(corrected)
6.	Port Glasgow 'B'	Lister/Tracey/Tuttle	39.59.8	
7.	Brechin High School	Tough/Bell/Douglas	41.42.8	
8.	Heriot Watt 'A'	Dytch/McBeth/Liston	44.00.7	
9.	Heriot Watt 'B'	McIntosh/Fitchett/Monteith	45.06.7	

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The Sprint Regatta planned for 3rd January would probably have been the best attended sprint meeting ever held in Scotland, if the loch had not been frozen solid. Nearly 100 'would-be' competitors actually turned up at the Park and an unknown number wisely stayed in bed or went ski-ing.

During the previous week, Park officials had some difficulty in preparing the buoyed course because of strong winds but these were followed by two days of calm with temperatures down to minus 10°C. The result was that by the morning of the 3rd, not only had the loch frozen over, but the river Clyde alongside was also a mass of ice.

The organising club, Strathkelvin, with the considerable support of Drew Samuel, had put in a lot of preparatory work but, on the day, could do no more than try to dispose of the gallons of soup prepared in the expectation of cold but not freezing conditions. Drew also managed to rescue an unfortunate seagull which was frozen to the road.

Some of the more enthusiastic went for a run around the loch, whilst others inspected the magnificent facilities in the Watersports Centre and the two brand new K.4's belonging to the S.C.A.

Officials of the Park were as disappointed as we were that canoeing was impossible, but we have now arranged for this trial Regatta to take place on 19-20th March. We hope to make good use of the two days by including a 10,000m event and appropriate distances for ladies and juniors. Details will be circulated during February.

S.C.A. CANADIAN SLALOM RANKING LIST FOR 1977

Geoff
Hatfield

Following the increase in interest in Canadian paddling during 1976 the slalom committee has decided to draw up another ranking list on a similar basis for the 1977 season.

Once again it will be based on 6 events, namely:-

FAIRNILEE	...	April 2/3rd
COMRIE I	...	April 16/17th
LENY	...	May 28/29th
AWE	...	September 3/4th
POTARCH	...	October 15/16th.

Five points will go to the winner of each event for C1 and C2; 4 to the second and so on, and the ranking lists will be drawn up at the end of the season using each person's (pairs) 4 best results.

Organisers of events are asked to make sure that all paddlers who wish to enter Canadian classes at these events are given a run, whether or not they are members of the correct division at that particular slalom.

A copy of the results of each slalom should be sent by the organisers to Irvine Ross, the slalom committee secretary. It is hoped that trophies will be available for presentation to the ranking list leaders at next year's S.C.A. A.G.M.

COMMODORE'S COMMENT

There was a touch of sadness in the announcement that John Dudderidge had been voted out of office as President of the B.C.U.

To me, John was the B.C.U. A founder member, it was his unbounding enthusiasm and tremendous work as Secretary that created the B.C.U. in the beginning, and his organisation of the Olympic Canoe Regatta in 1948 was quite outstanding. No one so richly deserved his O.B.E. It was John Dudderidge who gave us his blessing, help and co-operation when the brothers Carmichael of the Forth Canoe Club took the initiative in the formation of the S.C.A. in 1939.

From 1940 to 1959 John and I worked very closely together during our terms as Secretary of our respective canoeing organisations and got to know each other well.

Time makes changes inevitable but still I thought John was good for a year or two yet.

At the Grandtully White Water Race a number of canoes came floating past the finishing line after competitors had come to grief at the fall under the bridge.

It was obvious that at least two of them had insufficient buoyancy in them and caused our rescue service a lot of trouble in getting them to the bank - not the occasion for laughing all the way to the bank! Obviously in these circumstances it helps not at all to have the end loops taped to the deck.

According to the B.C.U. Standards, a kayak must have at least 13.5 kgs (30 lbs) of buoyancy at each end or be able to support at least 27 kgs (60 lbs) dead weight placed amidships, on an even keel fore and aft, when it is fully swamped. Will competitors and others please note.

As a founder member of the Scottish Inland Waterways Association and a committee man for some years, I wonder if I might commend membership to this busy and enthusiastic body to all canoeists who use a canal for their activities. The S.C.A. should certainly be a corporate member; but perhaps they are?

The Association publishes a monthly magazine called "Heritage" to keep the membership in touch with developments and other matters. Much of their work, particularly the cleaning-out parties, obviously makes things easier for canoeing. Perhaps some of our canoeists could even lend a hand with some of the canal clearing. The Secretary is:- Mr. A. Caws, 26 Grange Road, Edinburgh 9. The S.I.W.A. is worthy of our active support.

 Jack Cuthill

SCOTTISH CANOE ASSOCIATION
TOURING COMMITTEE
WEEKEND 9th/10th APRIL, RIVER TAY

Peter Moore

The first weekend trip of the year will be held on the River Tay and includes a visit to Grandtully Div I Slalom.

Those who wish to take part should meet at the car park at Kenmore at 11 a.m. It is a 12 mile paddle from Kenmore to Grandtully where we should arrive with time to see most of the afternoon events.

Camping will be on the hill behind the Hotel.

On the Sunday the route will be down river as far as paddlers are willing or able, though I expect Thistlebrig will be far enough for most (30miles).

The route can be a lot shorter if necessary.

A car will follow the party down river and will be in touch at various points. This car will ferry drivers back to their cars. Petrol costs for this will be shared.

Paddlers are reminded that Salmon Fishing will be in progress on the Saturday and are asked to give due consideration and courtesy to Fishermen.

Peter Moore
Touring Convener.

S.C.A. BADGES AND TIES

The S.C.A. now have Badges for sale with the S.C.A. Burgee motif, at 50p each. These are available in three types: Brooch, Clutch, or pin, and are in stock now.

Blue ties with a single motif in white will be available shortly - likely to be about £2.

All available at canoeing events or apply to Andrew Morton, 34, Roselea Drive, Brightons, Falkirk.
(Please include postage with remittance).

THREE LOCHS MARATHON - 25/26 JUNE 1977

The format of the race will be changed this year. The course chosen will be more sheltered and the race will be open to International K1 and K2 craft paddling without gear. In other words the touring aspect of the event is replaced by a true endurance marathon type race.

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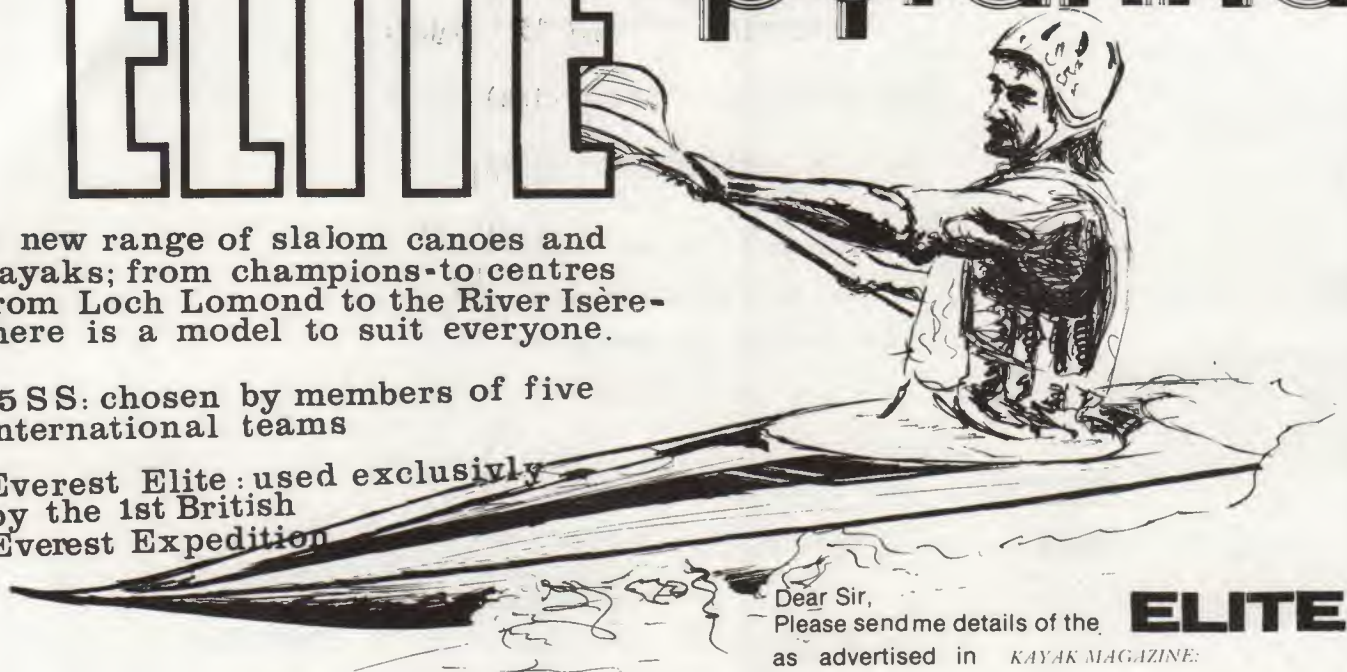
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SCOTTISH DOWN RIVER RACING CHAMPIONSHIPS 1977

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With the low level of the River Nith and a shortened race distance, the S.C.A. Slalom/D.R.R. Committee decided to de-rank the event held on 27th February.

The Championship will now be decided on the results of the River Awe Race in April which will be a combined Scottish Club Championship and Scottish Universities Championship Event.

As far as team selection is concerned, the selectors have decided to consider the results of the Nith, together with those of the Awe and the other well attended Down River Races of the 1976/77 Season.

The provisional date for the Nith Down River Race for 1978 is Sunday, 29th January.

TROSSACHS CANOE AND BOAT CLUBTEITH WHITE WATER RACERESULTS19th DECEMBER 1976SENIOR WHITE WATER (24 entered)

1.	P. Turcan	E.U.C.C.	31m.27s.
2.	R. Lang	Port Glasgow C.C.	31m.29s.
3.	E. Kjerschow	Strathclyde U.C.C.	32m.57s.

JUNIOR WHITE WATER (7 entered)

1.	A. Lyall	Port Glasgow C.C.	35m.43s.
2.	A. Munro	Strathclyde U.C.C.	35m.44s.
3.	D. Brown	Glenrothes C.C.	36m.25s.

OPEN C.2. (5 entered)

1.	Gray/Robertson	Kilmarnock	42m.10s.
2.	Willing/Houston	Strathearn C.C.	45m.41s.
3.	Gardner/Yeoh.	G.U.C.C.	50m.55s.

OPEN C.1. (3 entered)

1.	G. Cleland	G.U.C.C.	47m.48s.
2.	R. Rodger	Trossachs C.& B.C.	57m.22s.
3.	G. Hatfield	Trossachs C.& B.C.	58m.22s.

SENIOR SLALOM (25 entered)

1.	R. Kennedy	Forth C.C.	41m.32s.
2.	J. Young	E.W.W.C.	41m.37s.
3.	J. Penman	Strathclyde U.C.C.	41m.42s.

JUNIOR SLALOM (30 entered)

1.	I. McDonald	Wallace H.S.C.C.	42m.15s.
2.	C. Fraser	Paisley K.C.	42m.25s.
3.	G. Tough	Brechin H.S.C.C.	42m.39s.

LADIES WHITE WATER (4 entered)

1.	Christine Linn	E.W.W.C.	40m.25s.
2.	Margaret Elliot	Boroughmuir C.C.	45m.06s.
3.	Linda Morrison	9th Kilmarnock	47m.43s.
4.	S. Bell	Strathclyde U.C.C.	52m.35s.

SENIOR LADIES SLALOM (5 entered)

1.	Morag Boyd	Brechin H.S.C.C.	44m.43s.
2.	Alison Downie	G.U.C.C.	45m.55s.
3.	Tricia Carr	D.U.C.C.	47m.01s.
4.	Eleanor Cairns	Calder C.C.	47m.05s.
5.	Brenda Donaldson	G.U.C.C.	47m.30s.

JUNIOR LADIES SLALOM (3 entered)

1.	Christine Buick	Wallace H.S.C.C.	47m.00s.
2.	Beverley Hamilton	Wallace H.S.C.C.	48m.16s.
3.	Julie Tate	Wallace H.S.C.C.	51m.07s.

TEAM (9 entered)

1.	Strathclyde U.C.C.	35m.55s.
2.	E.W.W.C.	37m.40s.
3.	Brechin "A"	44m.06s.

BY KAYAK TO CAPE HORN.

This parody on the title of Jack Henderson's book "By Kayak to Cape Wrath" is taken from the Scotsman article about Barry Smith's projected trip to Cape Horn next December. He is the only Scottish based canoeist in the party which will be made up by three others from the South: Nige Matthews, Frank Goodman and Jim Hargreaves.

The kayaks for the expedition were designed by Goodman. They are approximately 18' long and weigh about 50 lbs each. The trip will mean roughly 350 miles by canoe and include some open water - one crossing being 18 miles. A radio will be included with the gear so that weather forecasts can be picked up from Tierra Del Fuego. The Chilean Navy will also assist if required. This is wild country and campsites are going to be difficult to find, but no doubt we shall be hearing all about it later. Obviously a lot of training will have to be done and trips are planned for this summer round Cape Wrath and across the Pentland Firth.

We had hoped that Barry Smith himself might have been able to write something for this issue of Kayak, but he is out of town at present.

However, if we are lucky, we might get some personal thoughts from him on this high adventure, for our next issue.

SCOTTISH SPORTS COUNCIL COURSES 1977

The Scottish Sports Council are arranging 2 courses from 23rd June to 1st July, and 13th to 19th August, at the Cumbrae National Water Sports Centre, called "INTRODUCTION TO SEA CANOEING for Competent inland water canoeists".

These courses are non-residential and the cost is £25.

The S.S.C. are also running 2 courses for school pupils and youths age 14-17 (pupils to be accompanied by a teacher) on "INTRODUCTION TO SAILING AND CANOEING".

The dates are 4th to 8th July and 6th to 12th August.

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JUNIOR AND LADIES EVENT
8 miles Fairnilee to Gattonside
Be at Fairnilee at 1.00 p.m. for 1.30 p.m. start (mass start).

The event will be run to the current Scottish Canoe Association L.D. Racing Rules.

SAFETY You are recommended to wear a crash hat
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Competitors whose equipment is not up to standard will not be allowed to start.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO: DREW SAMUEL, WHO WILL BE ATTENDING THE WORLD SPRINT
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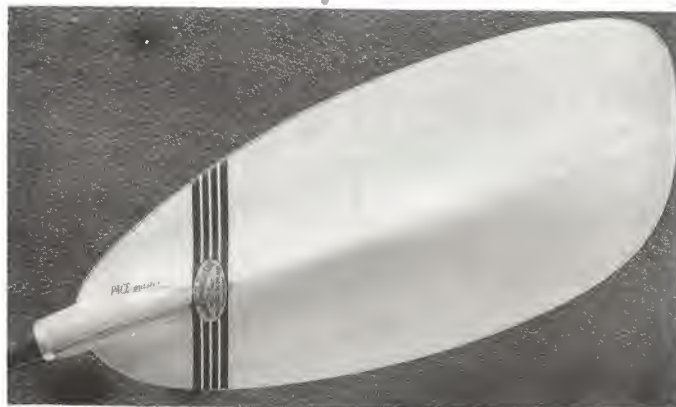
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