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Canoeing for Youth

Much has been said and written in recent years about modern youth, and there are many facets to this complex problem if one feels inclined to call it a problem. However, nobody should say that youth has lost the sense of initiative and adventure. We in the British Canoe Union have become aware of this as the result of the amazing increase in the popularity of canoeing as a sport and a pastime with more and more educational bodies and youth organizations in response to a widespread demand, including canoeing in their programme of activities.—Within the framework of the Union, a rapidly growing number of Juniors forms the bulk of the Union's membership. This is as it should be. We know that canoeing as an outdoor activity, physical exercise and a sport contains so many elements of initiative and adventure that its appeal to modern youth is to us not so surprising.

However, this development has set the Union a tremendous task. As the national governing body of canoeing it is our responsibility to help, encourage and teach our sport to these youngsters — no matter where they are. There is no need to explain here how the National Coaching Scheme fits into the picture: the success of our efforts will depend to a very large extent on whether or not we can provide the coaches and

instructors to teach canoeing wherever their services are required.

On a different level the Union tried to meet the requirements through the appointment of a National Youth Officer and the formation of the BCU Youth Committee in 1960. It is our job to advertise the Union on a national and a regional level to authorities and organizations concerned with youth work and to let them know what canoeing as such and the Union as a body can do to assist them in their work.

Some progress has been made in this respect — though it may have been very uneven from area to area. On February 1 John W. Gould who for the last years has acted as the Union's Area Youth Organiser in South Wales and Monmouthshire, took over from Lt.-Col. I. Hall as the Union's National Youth Officer.

At the moment John Gould is trying to re-establish the national network of Youth Officers. Some officers have resigned, and there are regions where no appointment could be made as yet. We appeal to clubs and individual members to come forward and offer their services

What is the task of the Area Youth Officer? He should have a good practical knowledge of all sections of canoeing. This is to say that, whilst he need not necessarily be a brilliant canoeist, it is essential that he knows exactly what he is talking about and should, at least, be a canoeist. Though the Area Youth Officer need not necessarily possess a BCU Coaches' or Examiners' Award, he must have access to BCU Coaches and Examiners so that the proper standard that the Union lays down can be achieved.

The general nature of the Area Youth Officers duties should be the feeding of all canoeing information received from the National Youth Officer on all aspects of the sport to all the following organisations in his area:

All Education Authorities —
The Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme local committee —
Boy Scouts and Girl Guides Associations —
Boys, Girls and Mixed Youth Organisations —
Any other organisation interested in the work of youth.

Once each month the Area Youth Officer should send a report to the National Youth Officer of all contacts and activities, and also any problems, suggestions, etc., which need to be followed up on a national level.

The National Youth Officer on his side should receive, apart from the reports from the Area Youth Officers, all information on matters of importance from the various committees of the Union and any other organisation responsible for youth work. It will then be his responsibility to feed his Area Youth Officers with all items of interest with regard to youth on matters of canoeing. Such information could suitably take the form of a monthly News Letter so that Area Youth Officers are kept informed of youth activity throughout the country.

The address of the BCU National Youth Officer is: John W. Gould, South Lodge, Fairwater Road, Llandaff, Cardiff.

Let us rally round him and give him all the support which he requires in his important work.



RONALD ERNEST RHODES RRITAIN'S RAGING AGE KILLED

Within the short span of less than two years British canceing has lost the second of its most prominent canceists: on January 12 Ron Rhodes, Britain's outstanding and promising racing canceist, was killed in a road accident—as was Paul Farrant, Britain's Slalom World Champion, who died at Easter 1960.

In 1959, at the age of 20 years, Rhodes gained sudden prominence when, just after having been promoted to senior status, he won practically all the senior events for which he had entered. In the same year he came into the international limelight when in the European Championships in Duisburg he gained, to the surprise of so many, a bronze medal over his favourite distance—the KI 1,000 m—and an honourable sixth place in the KI 500 m event. In the 1960 Olympic

Games Rhodes came fifth in the KI 1,000 m event.

Though remaining active in 1961, Rhodes used the post-Olympic year to re-assess his possibilities and to work out a new approach to racing as regards technique and style. He had just started a new season of training to prepare himself for the 1961 World Championships in Essen—with an eye on the Olympic Games in Tokyo in 1964—when sudden death interrupted his promising career.

As a canoeist Rod Rhodes excelled through his single-mindedness of purpose: there were few who, as a result of mammoth-like training sessions, equalled him in sheer physical power producing bursts of speed which thrilled wherever he went at home and abroad. As a person he was very much liked by paddlers and officials. Modest, almost shy by nature—he was always willing to give help to his fellow paddlers and to accept discipline without showing the nervy outbursts of temperament of so many star athletes.

Our sympathies go to his parents. We have received from all over the world letters of condolence from associations and individuals, and foreign canoeing magazines published sympathetic articles in memory of an outstanding paddler who gave lustre to British canoeing. The British racing scene will be the poorer without him.

A RONALD RHODES MEMORIAL FUND

We have been approached by various people suggesting that something should be done in memory of Ron Rhodes. Instead of instigating another Memorial Trophy the Paddling Racing Committee has decided to launch an appeal for a Ronald Rhodes Memorial Trust Fund whose proceeds are to be used to support the training and the participation in international competitions of promising junior racing paddlers. H. Thelen has undertaken to administer this appeal, and donations, large or small, should be sent to him at 13 Campden House, Harben Road, London, N.W.6.

Coaching and Instruction

Canoeing Courses Summer 1962

We in the British Canoe Union do stress most strongly the importance for all organisations taking up canoeing and our own clubs to help people to enjoy canoeing in safety and to assist those already in it to improve their technique. Here is a list of the canoeing courses which will be available this summer and the working programme of the National Coach for the remaining part of the year.

CCPR COURSES

Bisham Abbey, Marlow on Thames, Rerkshire

These courses are for young people between the ages of 15 and 18 who can swim at least 50 yards. Those who reach the required standard may, if they wish, take the BCU Proficiency Test.

The dates for the courses are: April 19—26, April 26—May 3, July 21—28, August 18—25, and September 1—8.

Torquay, Devon

These courses are for beginners and those with some experience who must be able to swim at least 50 yards. Life jackets and swim at least 50 yards. Life jackets and canoes will be provided, but those wishing to bring their own canoe may do so if advance notice is given. The shelter of Torquay outer harbour offers suitable condi-tions for those who are new to the sport, and the open water of Torbay will provide interesting expeditions to which everyone should graduate.

Dates: May 5-12, May 12-19 and May 19-26.

SPECIALIST COURSES

Racing

April 2-23 at Thamesfield, Henley-on-Thames. Organised by BCU Paddling Racing Brian Woods, 187 Committee. Entries: Brian Hedge Lane, London N13.

Duke of Edinburgh's Award-Leaders Training

July 21-28 at Plas y Brenin, Chapel Curig, North Wales. Organised by CCPR. For leaders and potential leaders of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme for Boys (Expedition Section). An introduction to canoeing on lakes, wild water and the sea. Instruction will also be given in canoe building preparing for expeditions at Branze instruction will also be given in canoe building, preparing for expeditions at Bronze, Silver and Gold Standards, and in carrying out an expedition at Silver Standard. Application (to CCPR. 6 Bedford Square. London WCI) must be made through an Operating Authority and applicants will be selected in consultation with the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Office. Award Office.

Plas y Brenin, Chapel Curig, North Wales

The following courses are only for those who are competent swimmers. They pro-vide a general introduction to canoeing on

viue a general introduction to canoeing on lakes, wild water and the sea.

Dates: May 5—12, June 16—23, July 14—21, July 28—August 4, August 25—September 1, September 15—22 and September 22—29.

YMCA Hostel at Lake Windermere

A week's course for Juniors under the BCU National Coach will be held September 1—8 at the YMCA Hostel at Lake Windermere.

tained from: CCPR, 6 Bedford Square, London WC1. Details of all CCPR courses can be ob-

Course for BCU Coaches

August 11—28 at Plas y Brenin, Chapel Curig, North Wales. Organised on behalf of the BCU and under O. Cock, BCU National Coach, for men and women not under 17 years of age who wish later to be examined for the Instructors' or Hon. Coaches' Award of the BCU. Applicants must have had experience of canoeing. Applications to: CCPR, 6 Bedford Square, London WC1 WCI.

Sea Canoeing and Surfing

June 30—July 8. Surfing and rough water course at Polzeath. Only for holders of the BCU Elementary Proficiency Award. Applications to: CCPR, 29 Market Street,

cations to: CCPR, 29 Market Street, Crewkerne, Som. July 21—22 and September 14—16. Sea canoeing at Botley. Southampton. For adults and potential coaches. Applications to: C. J. B. Gardiner, YMCA National Camp, Fairthorne Manor, Botley, Southampton.

INSTRUCTIONAL CRUISES

A number of clubs will organise on behalf A number of clubs will organise on behalf of the CCPR, a number of instructional cruises this summer in order to introduce canoe cruising to the novice. We have heard of the following such cruises:

Manchester CC
May 19–20 Ribble
July 7–8 Dane

Canoe Camping Club, Ribble Group May 6 Ribble June 8-9 Ribble July 1 Ribble September 16 Ribble West Yorkshire CC May 26—27 Ripon July 14—15 Ripon

TOUR OF NATIONAL COACH

The following programme for the work of the BCU National Coach has been established for the remainder of 1962. Applications for the services of the National Coach should be addressed to the nearest CCPR office. For details of the Coaching Scheme that the property of the coaching Scheme that the coaching Sc we refer to the issues 42 and 44 of "Canoeing in Britain".

April 26-May 14 Scotland.

May 15-18

Northern Ireland, 45 Arthur Street, Belfast.

May 19-June 7 North West (Lancs., Cheshire, Cumberland, Westmorland), 26 Brazennose Street, Man-

chester 2.
North Wales, 16 Chester Street, Wrexham.

June 14-July 4 South West (Somerset, Devon, Cornwall, Dorset, Wilts., Glos.), 29 Market Street, Crewkerne.

South Wales, 52 Charles Street, Cardiff. July 5-30

London and South East (London, Middlesex, Kent, Surrey, East and West Sussex), 6

Bedford Square, London WC1.
South (Berks., Bucks., Hants., Isle of Wight,
Oxon), Watlington House, Watlington Street, Reading.

September 12-October 2 West Midlands (Warwicks, Staffs., Worcs., Salop, Herefords.), 256 Moseley Road, Birmingham 12.

North Midlands (Derbys., Leics., Lincs., Northants., Notts., Rutland and Soke of Peterboro'), Bank Chambers, 125 St. Ann's Well Road, Nottingham.

October 5-October 22 East (Beds., Cambs., Essex, Herts., Hunts., Norfolk, East and West Suffolk) Association Buildings, Harpur Street, Bedford.

October 26—November 12 North East (Co. Durham, Northumberland, North Riding of Yorks), 40 Saddler Street, Durham City Yorkshire (East and West Riding), 4 Albion Street, Leeds.

November 16-December 3 North West and North Wales (For addresses see above).

British Open Youth Championships

Good progress is being made with the arrangements for the 1962 Youth Championships. Last year a number of the Area Championships had to be cancelled owing to insufficient entries - perhaps due to the lack of publicity in the regions. This year more groundwork has been done to bring the scheme to the attention of Youth Officers and Youth Leaders throughout the country. The Youth Service Broadsheet of the Ministry of Education and the Bulletin of the Standing Conference of National Voluntary Youth Organisations have published details of the scheme, and as a result enquiries are now being received from Youth Officers and County Associations of Youth Clubs. Most welcome of all is the decision of the Scottish Canoe Association to take part in the scheme. The valuable assistance which the CCPR is rendering by publicising and administering the scheme, is greatly appreciated.

The following is the position in each area:

SOUTH WEST
Cornwall, Devon, Somerset, Wilts., Glos. Venue: Saltford nr. Bath.
Date: June 23—24.

Organisers: Bradford-on-Avon Canoe Club and Somerset County Youth Organisers. Entry forms: CCPR, 29 Market Street. Crewkerne, Somerset.

SOUTH

Oxon, Berks., Hants., Isle of Wight. Venue: Reading.
Date: May 6
Organisers: Warren Light Craft and Reing Youth Committee.
Entry forms: Miss D. Wolfenden, P. Warren Light Craft and Read-Entry forms: Miss D. Wolfenden, Vice-Chancellor's Lodge, Upper Redlands Road, Reading.

MIDLANDS

West and North: Shrops., Staffs., Herefords., Worcs., Warwicks., Derbys., Notts., Lincs., Leics., Rutland.
Date: May 27.

Venue: Birmingham.

Organiser: Birmingham Kayak Racing Club. Entry forms: CCPR, 256 Moseley Road, Birmingham 12.

SCOTLAND

Date: June 17. Venue: Irvine, Ayrshire. Organiser: SCA. SCPR, 141 Entry forms: Bath Street. Glasgow C2.

YORKSHIRE

E. & W. Riding. Date: June 9. Venue: Weir Island, Bishop Monkton, nr. Harrogate. Organiser: Army Apprentices School Canoe Club. Entry forms: CCPR, 4 Albion Street, Leeds NORTH WEST

Cheshire, Lancs., Westmorland, Cumberland. Date: June 17. Venue: Chester. Organiser: Chester CC. Entry forms: CCPR, 26 Brazennose Street, Manchester 2.

NORTH EAST

Northumberland, Durham, N. Riding of Yorks. Date: May 13. Venue: Durham.

Organiser: Durham Canoe Club. Entry forms: CCPR, 40 Saddler Street, Durham City.

EAST & CENTRAL AREA

Norfolk, Suffolk, Cambs., Essex, North-nts., Peterboro, Hunts., Beds., Bucks., North-Herts. Date: June 2. Venue: Bedford. Organiser: Viking CC. Entry forms: CCPR, 5 Harpur Street, Bed-

ford.

Arrangements for the Area Championships in the following regions had not been finalised when we went to press:

LONDON & SOUTH EAST

London, Middx., Surrey, Sussex, Kent.

WALES

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The following list of canoeing events are the only ones for which we have received details from the organisers. We have also left out all the

events which were held earlier in the season.

All events are open to all members of the BCU. If you are interested in a particular event, write to the organiser (whose name and address, where available, are given in brackets) or to the secretary of the club or committee

in question.

Information in respect of touring at home can be obtained from R. F. Tyas, 19 Pine Hill, Epsom, Surrey. Miss E. E. McLellan, 9 Downsway. Sanderstead, Surrey, supplies you with information on cruising abroad. Information about wild water runs and slaloms, both at home and abroad, will be given by D. Lucas, 5 Harts Leap, Sandhurst, Berks. R. W. Emes, 147 Gravelly Hill, Erdington, Birmingham, 23, secretary of the BCU Paddling Racing Committee, is the man to write to in respect of racing and regattas. Regarding Long Distance Racing write to J. M. Woolley, Highlands, Rugby Road, Cubington, Leamington Spa.

Events at Home

April 8-1st & 2nd Division Slalom at Henley. Chalfont Park CC (D. Marlow, 231 West Wycombe Road, High Wycombe, Bucks.)
April 8—Leam LD Race. Leaming-

ton Spa. CC (R. A. Sowman, 4 Landor Road, The Cape, Warwick). April 8-Leven Wild Water Test.

Lakeland CC (E. Totty, Hoff Bank,

Appleby, Westmorland).

April 15-Bedford LD Race. Viking CC (Mrs. M. Green, 2 Highfield

Road, Impington, Cambridge). April 15—3rd & 4th Division Slalom at Dinckley Ferry on Ribble. Manchester CC (C. M. Rothwell, 21 Windsor Road, Clayton Bridge, Manchester 10)

April 19-23-Cruise on Tay (19-20), Open slalom at Grandfully (21) 1st & 2nd Division Oxford-Cambridge Slalom at Grandtully (22) and Wild Water Race on Tay (23). Cambridge University CC (C. Sutton, 24 Bower Road, Hale,

Altricham, Cheshire.

April 20-23-Cruise on Nene. CCC S Yorks. Group (J. Fouldes, 14 Greenwood Road, Sheffield 9)

April 20-23-Cruise on Vyrnwy. Birmingham CC (J. B. Gosling, 14 Western Avenue, Birmingham 32) 20-23 - Cruise on April Lechlade-Oxford. Kayak Touring Club (W. G. Gibbons, 69 Central Park Road, London, E.6.)

April 20-23-BCU Easter Meet. BCU

Touring Committee.

April 20-23-Cruise on Ure. Manchester CC (C. E. McAllister, 10 Borrough Avenue, Leeds 8)

April 20-23-Easter Camp on Canvey Island. Blue Waters CC (D. Hunt, 55 Ommaney Road, London, S.E. 14.

April 20-23-Cruise on Chelmer & in Blackwater Estuary. Chelmsford Boating Club (Waterhouse Lane, Chelmsford, Essex)

April 78-29—Cruise on Nidd. West Yorkshire CC (P. B. Walton, 36 Blenheim Road, St. John's, Wake-

April 20-23-Easter Trip to Black Rock Sands, Caernarvonshire. Sea Surfing. Chester CC D. Maloney, 62 Earlsway, Curzon Park, Chester)



April 29 — 3rd & 4th Division Slalom. Tay. (D. Winning, 1 Ashburn Gardens, Gourock)

April 29-Cruise on Lune, Lakeland CC (Miss C. Whitside, 19 White-

stiles, Kendal)

April 29 — 3rd & 4th Division Slalom at Marsh Lock, Henley-on-Thames. Reading Kayak Club.

May 6-Poole Harbour Circuit Race. Royal Marines CC (The Secretary,

J.S.A.W.C., Poole, Dorset

May 6-1st & 2nd Division Slalom at Llangollen on Dee, Manchester CC (C. M. Rothwell, 21 Windsor Road, Clayton Bridge, Manchester, 10)

May 6-Southern Youth Championships at Reading (Miss D. Wolfenden, Vice - Chancellor's Lodge, Upper Redlands Road, Reading)

May 12-Burton Amateur Regatta May 12-13-Cruise on Severn. Birbingham CC (J. B. Gosling, 14 Western Avenue, Birmingham 32) May 13-3rd & 4th Division Slalom

at Shepperton. Twickenham CC May 13 - North Eastern Youth Championships in Durham (CCPR, 40 Saddler Street, Durham City)

May 13-Lakeland Wild Water Test. Lakeland CC (E. B. Totty, Hoff Bank, Appleby, Westmorland)

May 13—Cruise on Lee Chelmsford Boating Club (Waterhouse Lane,

Chelmsford, Essex)

May 13-Cruise on Ribble. West Yorkshire CC (P. B. Walton, 36 Blenheim Road, St. John's, Wakefield)

May 19-2nd Annual Regatta at Packington Park, Stonebridge nr. Coventry. Birmingham Schools' Canoe Association (G. Sanders, 33 Orchard Ave., Solihull, Warwicks)

May 19-20-Sea Hunt at Burnhamon-Crouch. Kayak Touring Club (R. S. Steed, 168 Roding Lane, North, Woodford Green, Essex)

May 19-20-Cruise on Derwent. CCC South Yorks. Group (J. Fouldes, 14 Greenwood Road,

Sheffiield 9)

May 20-Worcester LD Race. Worcester CC (E. Gagg, 3 Blakefield Gardens, St. Johns, Worcester)

May 20-3rd & 4th Division Slalom at Tay. Tay CC (D. Winning, 1 Gardens, Gourock, Ashburne Renfrewshire.

May 26 — Birming Rowing Club

Regatta

May 27-Midlands Youth Championships at Birmingham (CCPR, 256 Moseley Road, Birmingham 12)

May 77-Kyle Regatta, Ayr CC (D. Smith, 27 Miller Road, Ayr) May 27-3rd & 4th Division Slalom at Marsh Lock, Henley-on-Thames.

Windsor CC May 28-Chester LD Race on Dee.

Chester CC (D. Maloney, 62 Earlsway, Curzon Park, Chester) June 2-Eastern and Central Youth

Championships at Bedford (CCPR,

5 Harpur Street, Bedford)

June 3-3rd & 4th Division Slalom at Bevere, Worcester & Learnington Spa CC's.

CHELMER CANOE RACE A Ranking L/D Race Sunday, June 3, 1962 Details from: Mrs. M. A. Marriage, Well Cottage, Stock, Ingatestone, Essex JUNIOR HANDICAP RACE Open to all types of canoes Sunday, September 3, 1962 Details from: Race Secretary, Chelmsford Boating Club. Waterhouse Lane, Chelmsford, Essex.

June 3-Windermere Race. Lakeland CC (T. Redfern, 93 New Brook Road, Over Hulton, Nr. Bolton) June 3-Rowardennan Racing Week-

end. (A. Davidson, 37 Rockall Drive, Glasgow)

June 3-Chelmer Race. Chelmsford Boating Club (Mrs. M. A. Marriage, Well Cottage, Stock, Ingatestone, Essex)

June 9-Yorkshire Youth Championships at Weir Island, Bishop Monkton nr. Harrogate (CCPR, 4 Albin

Street, Leeds 1)

June 9-11-Cruise on Ouse. Chelmsford Boating Club (Waterhouse Lane, Chelmsford, Essex)

June 9-11-BCU Whitsun Meet on Bristol Avon. BCU Touring Com-

June 9-11 — Whitsun cruise on Thames Oxford-Goring. Kayak Touring Club (W. G. Gibbons, 69 Central Park Road, London, E.6)

June 9-11-Sea canoeing at Barmston. Midland CC (B. Wallhead, San Toye Bungalow, Edwinstowe,

Notts.)

June 9-11—Cruise on Teifi. Birmingham CC (J. B. Gosling, 14 Western Avenue, Birmingham 32)

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June 17-Cruise on Crouch. Chelmsford Boating Club (Waterhouse

Lane, Chelmsford, Essex)

June 17—Scottish Youth Championships at Irvine, Ayrshire (SCPR 141 Bath Street, Glasgow, C2) June 17—Durham LD Race, Durham

CC (A. Byde, 4 Allergate Terrace,

Durham City)

June 17-Cambridge May Week Rag Regatta. Cambridge University CC (C. Sutton, Trinity College, Cambridge)

June 23-Stratford-on-Avon Regatta June 23-24—Cruise on Upper Wye. Birmingham CC (J. B. Gosling, 14 Western Avenue, Birmingham 32)

June 23-24—South Western Youth Championships at Saltford nr. Bath (F. Briscoe, CCPR, 29 Market Street, Crewkerne, Som.)

June 23-24 — Cruise to Whitstable, Blue Waters CC (D. Hunt, 55 Ommaney Road, London, S.E.14)

June 24 — Hartlepools LD Race. Hartlepool Kayak Club (C. Hare. 9 Tynebrook Avenue, West Hartlepool)



June 30—Birmingham Regatta. Birmingham Kayak Racing Club (R. W. Emes, 147 Gravelly Hill, Erdington, Birmingham 23)

June 3-July 1—Training Course for World Championship candidates July-August—Cambridge Kayak Expedition to Greenland. Leader: C. Sutton, Trinity College, Cambridge

July 1—Cruise on Colne. Chelmsford Boating Club (Waterhouse Lane, Chelmsford, Essex)

July 1—3rd & 4th Division Slalom and River Race Tay CC (D. Winning, 1 Ashburne Gardens, Gourock)

July 1—Morecombe Bay LD Race. Ranking. Lakeland CC (A. Thwaites, West Garth, Rushley Mount, Hest Bank, Lancaster)

July 7—Royal CC Regatta

July 7—Chelmsford Carnival Regatta Chelmsford Boating Club (Waterhouse Lane, Chelmsford, Essex)

July 7-8 — Cruise Ipswich-Pinmill-Harwich, Kayak Touring Club (W. G. Gibbons, 69 Central Park Road, London, E.6)

July7-8—Cruise on Welsh Dee. Birmingham CC (J. B. Gosling, 14 Western Avenue, Birmingham 32)
 July 8—National Racing Championsships for K 2 10,000 m at Teddington

July 8—Leven Wild Test. Lakeland CC (E. B. Totty, Hoff Bank,

Appleby, Westmorland)

July 14-Richmond CC Regatta

July 14-15—Sea surfing at Porth Ceirid, Abersoch. Manchester CC (C. Webb, 5 Beaconsfield, Derby Road, Fallowfield, Manchester 14) July 15—Richmond Tens, ranked as National Championships for K 1 10.000 m

July 15—Cruise to Putney. Blue Waters CC (D. Hunt, 55 Ommaney Road, London, S.E.14)

July 15—Bradford-on-Avon LD Race.
Bradford-on-Avon Rowing Club
Canoe Section (M. Walden, The
Kiln, Ladydown, Trowbridge,
Wilts.)

July 15-22—Canoe Sailing Week at Hayling Island, Royal CC

The

FIRST OPEN NATIONAL YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS will be held August 9-II, 1962, as part of the Serpentine Regatta in Hyde Park, London.

Closing date for entries: July 15, 1962. Open to the winners of the Regional Youth Championships.

Details from the National Organiser: A. L. Todd, 47 Knightwood Crescent, New Malden, Surrey.

July 17-25—Cruise on Dee. King Edward VI Camp Hill School CC (G. Sanders, 33 Orchard Avenue, Solihull, Warwicks.)



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Circulation Manager, Canoeing Publications, 45 Lammas Park Road, Ealing, London, W.5. July 21-August 5—Holiday cruise in Ireland. Manchester CC (C. M. Rothwell, 21 Windsor Road, Clayton Bridge, Manchester, 10)

July 22 - Cruise on Stort. Chelmsford Boating Club (Waterhouse

Lane, Chelmsford, Essex)

July 22-3rd & 4th Division Slalom on Trent. Midland CC (D. Patrick, 1 Barton Close, Spondon, Derbys.)

July 28-29-National Sprint Championships in Boston (Lincs.), BCU Paddling Racing Committee. (E. Harris, 147 Gravelly Road, Erdington, Birmingham 23)

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KI Women

K2 Women

C2 Men

C8 Men NCKI Men

All races, except the relay events, are over a half-mile course. Closing date for entries: 20 July, 1962.

Further information and entry forms from the Organising Secretary: H. Thelen, 13 Campden House. Harben Road, London, N.W.6.

Also: First Open Youth Championships (see special announcement).



July 29 - Cruise round Canvey Island, Chelmsford Boating Club (Waterhouse Lane, Chelmsford, Essex)

July 29-August 12-Annual SCA Cruise on Scottish West Coast (I. Cuthill, 2 Merchistan Bank Ave.,

Edinburgh)

August 3-5-Cruising meet at Christchurch. Kayak Touring Club (W. G. Gibbons, 69 Central Park Road. London, E.6)

August 4-Ayr Regatta and LD Race. Ayr CC (D. Smith, 27 Miller

Road, Ayr) August 4-6-Training weekend for World Championship team

August 4-6 - Cuckmere Meet, Blue Waters CC (D. Hunt, 55 Ommaney Road, London, S.E.14)

August 4-6-Cruise on Cam. Chelmsford Boating Club (Waterhouse Lane, Chelmsford, Essex)

August 4-11-Holiday week at Polzeath. West Yorkshire CC (P. B. Walton, 36 Blenheim Road, St. John's, Wakefield)

August 4-17 — Cruise on Shropshire Union Canal. CCC South Yorks. Group (J. Fouldes, 14 Greenwood Road, Sheffiield 9)

August 5-3rd & 4th Division Slalom Tay CC (D. Winning, 1 Ashburne Gardens, Gourock, Renfrewshire)

10-11 — 10th August Serpentine Regatta (including First National Youth Championships)

August 11-26—Holiday cruise in France (Ardeche, Durrance, etc.). Manchester CC (C. M. Rothwell, 21 Windsor Road, Clayton Bridge, Manchester 10)

August 12—Scottish Confined Slalom. Tay CC (D. Winning, 1 Ashburne Gardens, Gourock, Renfrewshire)

August 12—Paddling Challenge Cup Race of the Royal CC

August 12 (or 19)—Cruise in Lune Estuary, Lakeland CC (A. Thwaites, West Garth, Rushley Mount, Hest Bank, Lancaster)

August 19—Cumbrae LD Race. (J. McIntyre, 14 Rowanside Terrace,

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August 19—Cruise on Chelmer. Chelmsford Boating Club, Waterhouse Lane, Chelmsford, Essex)

August 25 — Marymass Regatta. Irvine CC (H. Stevenson, 14 Greenside Avenue, Kilbirnie)

August 26—Lappock Rock LD Race. (J. McIntyre, 14 Rowanside Terrace, Ardrossan)

August 26—Cruise in Blackwater Estuary. Chelmsford Boating Club (Waterhouse Lane, Chelmsford, Essex)

August 26—Leven Wild Water Test. Lakeland CC (E. B. Totty, Hoff Bank, Appleby, Westmorland)

September 1-2—Camping weekend at Hornsea. West Yorkshire CC (P. B. Walton, 36 Blenheim Road, St. John's, Wakefield)

September 1-2—Cruise on Teme. Birmingham CC (J. B. Gosling, 14 Western Avenue, Birmingham 32)

September 2—Grassholme 10,000 m race. Lakeland CC (T. Redfern, 93 New Brook Road, Over Hulton, nr. Bolton)

September 8-9—Cruise on Thames Goring-Reading. Kayak Touring Club (W. G. Gibbons, 69 Central Park Road, London, E.6) September 9—Leven Wild Water Test. Lakeland CC (E. B. Totty, Hoff Bank, Appleby, Westmorland)

September 9—Lakeland 3rd & 4th Division Slalom. Lakeland CC (C. Webb, 5 Beaconsfield, Derby Road, Fallowfield. Manchester 14)

September 9—Against the Tide Race. Blue Waters CC (D. Hunt, 55 Ommaney Road, London, S.E.14)

September 9—IWA Stour Rally.
September 15—West Yorkshire CC Regatta (P. B. Walton, 36 Blenheim Road, St. John's, Wakefield)

September 15-16 — London River Races (F. Luzmore, 31 Petersham Road, Richmond, Surrey)

September 16 — Cruise on Eden. Lakeland CC (E. B. Totty, Hoff Bank, Appleby, Westmorland)

September 22-23 — Sea surfing at Porth Ceirid, Abersoch. Manchester CC (C. Webb, 5 Beaconsfield, Derby Road, Fallowfield, Manchester 14)

September 23—Chelmer Junior Handicap Race. Chelmsford Boating Club (Waterhouse Lane, Chelmsford, Essex)

September 23—Marsh Lock Slalom, Henley-on-Thames.

September 23—Exe Estuary LD Race Exeter CC (P. Lee, 11 Shelton Place, Heavitree, Exeter)

September 29-30 — London River Races (F. Luzmore, 31 Petersham Road, Richmond, Surrey)

Against the Tide Race

Sunday, September 9, 1962 Blue Waters Canoe Club

Details from:

D. Hunt, 55 Ommaney Road, London, S.E.14. September 30-LD Race Willington to Trent Locks, Swarkstone to Trent Locks. Midland CC (M. Turney, 22 Ella Road, West Bridgford, Nottingham)

September 30—Leven Wild Water Test. Lakeland CC (E. B. Totty, Hoff Bank, Appleby, Westmor-

land)

September 30 - SCA Regatta at Rowardennan, (F. Westington, 25

Aros Drive, Glasgow)

October 6—Cruise to Southend. Kayak Touring Club (W. G. Gibbons, 69 Central Park Road, London, E.6) ctober 7—Cruise round Canvey

October Island. Kayak Touring Club (W. G. Gibbons, 69 Central Park Road,

London, E.6)

October 7-Cruise on Upper Chelmer. Chelmsford Boating Club (Waterhouse Lane, Chelmsford, Essex)

October 7-Cruise on Upper Wharfe. West Yorkshire CC (P. B. Walton, 36 Blenheim Road, St. John's, Wakefield)

October 13-14—Cruise on Dee I. Manchester CC (D. S. Berry, 23 Windsor Road, Clayton Bridge,

Manchester 10)

October 13-14 — Cruise on Ure (or Nidd). CCC South Yorks. Group J. Fouldes, 14 Greenwood Road. Sheffiield 9)

October 14 — London River Races, Greenwich - Richmond (F. Luzemore, 31 Petersham Road, Richmond, Surrey)

October 20-21 — Cruise on (Derby). Birmingham CC (J. B. Gosling, 14 Western Avenue, Birmingham 32)

October 21-3rd & 4th Division Slalom at Sandford Weir. Oxford University CC (C. I. Evans, St. Edmund Hall, Oxford)

October 21 - Cruise on Upper Blackwater. Chelmsford Boating Club (Waterhouse Lane, Chelms-

ford, Essex)

October 28-Leven Wild Water Test. Lakeland CC (E. B. Totty, Hoff Bank, Appleby, Westmorland)

November 3-4-Cruise on Dee II. Manchester CC (D. S. Berry, 23 Windsor Road, Clayton Bridge, Manchester 10)

November 4-Cruise on Usk. Cambridge University CC (C. Sutton, Trinity College, Cambridge)

November 10-11—Cruise on Dee III. Manchester CC (D. S. Berry, 23 Windsor Road, Clayton Bridge, Manchester 10)

November 17-18 — Cruise on Stour. Birmingham CC (J. B. Gosling, 14 Western Avenue, Birmingham 32)

November 25-Cruise on Upper Wye. Cambridge University CC (C. Sutton, Trinity College, Cambridge)

December 8-9-Cruise on Roden. Birmingham CC (J. B. Gosling, 14 Western Avenue, Birmingham 32)

December 9-Cruise on Bollin, Manchester CC (C. M. Rothwell, 21 Windsor Road, Clayton Bridge, Manchester 10)

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June 2-7—Cruise on Verdon, France June 3—International Grand Prix (10,000 m) in Brussels

June 10 — International Slalom at Ganois, France

June 16-17—International Regatta in Zaandam, Holland

June 16-17 — International Lecco Regatta, Italy

June 16-17 — International Slalom and wild water race at Merano, Italy

June 24—International Slalom at Anseremme, Belgium

July 6—International wild water race on Sava Bohinjka, Jugoslavia

July 7-8—International Regatta in Berlin-Gatow

July 8 — International slalom at Tacen, Jugoslavia

July 8-14 — Sea cruise from Stockholm, Sweden

July 14-15—International slalom at Augsburg, W. Germany

July 16-17—Ganoe Rally at Tenojoki, Finland

July 20-August 24 — International Danube cruise (Linz, Vienna, Bratislava, Budapest, Belgrade) with the following sectional cruises which all will link up with the main cruise: July 24-August 3—Hron in Tatra, Czechoslovakia;

July 25-August 14—Tisza, Hungary; July 27-August 3—Raba, Hungary; August 8-14 — Vrbas: Jaice - Banja Luka, Yugoslavia; August 9-14—Drina: Focca-Banja Luka, Yugoslavia.

July 21-22—Racing Meet: Great Britain-France in Paris.

July27-29—Cruise on Drawa, Poland July28-29—International slalom and wild water race at Spittal, Austria

July28-29 — Copenhagen Regatta, Denmark

July29-August 12—First International Cruise in Ireland (Munster Blackwater, Kinsale-Bantry)

August 4—Sella River Race, Spain
 August 4-13 — Cruise on Rhine,
 Geisenheim-Cologne, W. Germany
 ending in Essen for World Championships.

August 4-13 — Cruise on Weser, Kassel-Minde, W. Germany, with finish in Essen for World Championships.

August 5-11—Wild Water Week at Grossreifling, Austria

August 5-12—Cruise on lakes and rivers in Central Poland

August 11 — Wild water race on Salza, Austria

August 17-19—World Championships in Essen (Racing)

September 1-6—International Sailing Meet on Steinhuder Lake, W. Germany





The National C8

Two years ago we in this country saw, on the Serpentine, for the first time racing between large canadians capable of carrying a crew of eight plus one steersman. Shortly afterwards a group of enthusiasts formed themselves into the C 8 Development Group to promote this form of canoeing in Great Britain. Led by Mr. Ch. Renshaw and P. Begent the group, backed by donations of cash and materials, built the first prototype of the National C8-to a German design-which, in a splendid ceremony, was successfully launched from Richmond CC's boathouse on January 14. The launching represents an important event in the history of British canoeing. In the C 8 we have a craft which can be built by clubs and groups who can use it for both racing and touring, and we have great hopes that soon there will be many of these boats in use.

The C 8 is built over a mould with three skins of veneer 2.2 mm thick, bonded with beetle adhesive resin. Its length is 36 ft. with a beam of 37 ins.

Twickenham CC now have the mould and are getting on with the second C 8. They hope to have it afloat not later than Whitsun. A race in the C 8 has been included in the programme of this year's Serpentine Regatta.

The first C 8, named "Alpha", is available on hire from the C 8 Development Group. The group is also prepared to lend the mould to any bona fide applicant club. Applications should be sent to Mr. Peter Begent, 39 Arlington Gardens, Chiswick, London, W.4.

Photo by courtesy of B.I. Plastics who donated the glue for the "Alpha"

New Books on Canoeing

CANOEING

In this attractively presented book (by B. J. Jagger, Arco Publications, 12/6), the author, after outlining the development of the sport and advising on building and buying canoes, deals with more technical matters, and it is in this section that the book does its most distinctive service.

Joe Jagger is a member of the Technical Staff of the CCPR, is an Hon. Coach of the BCU and has spent many years teaching the basic skills of canoeing to beginners and others. He offers valuable advice on elementary and more advanced handling techniques and pays special attention to water safety measures.

As a physical educationist active in sports and games, the author gives particular full treatment to the need of slalom and racing paddlers who will find his advice valuable.

The book is well illustrated with action photographs and will find a useful place on the canoeist's bookshelf.

CANAL CRUISING BOOKLETS

British Waterways have now completed the series of 14 illustrated Inland Cruising Booklets covering most of the canals and navigations under their control in England likely to be of interest to small motor cruisers. These are attractively produced and illustrated and contain much detailed information about locks, local topography, location of shopping facilities, drinking water, inns, etc., that is not in the BCU Guide to Waterways and include a historical sketch of the waterways being described. The price has recently been raised to 3/6 post free. Obtainable from British Waterways, Melbury House, Melbury Terrace, London, N.W.1.

CANADIAN CANOEING

This, the most recent (No. 5) in the series of instructive booklets published by the BCU, reflects the revival in interest in the art of single blade paddling.

In this publication which follows quickly on the issue of building plans for both canvas and plywood Canadian canoes, a brief description is given of the several forms of construction and advice is provided on methods most suitable for amateurs.

In addition, advice is given on choice of essential equipment, and a lucid description is provided on the basic strokes used in singles and pairs.

The writer (B. Skilling) emphasizes that the book is only a beginning and that proficiency can only come with practice and experience.

This is a well written and most useful booklet which should help greatly in the revival of canadian paddling.

A NEW GUIDE UNDER PREPARATION

The BCU Touring Committee does not think that the current edition of the "Guide to the Waterways of the British Isles" is so free from mistakes as might be thought from the small number of corrections that have been received.

The Touring Committee asks everyone during the coming summer to keep an eye on the itineraries in the Guide, especially for the rivers that are so well-known that they do not themselves need to use it, and to send corrections and additions to the Touring Secretary, c/o BCU Headquarters. It is essential to keep the details in the Guide up to date, and it can only be done in this way with the help of all canoeists. The compilers cannot survey all the waters themselves.

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Consolidation in Scotland

Though membership in the Scottish Canoe Association has not greatly increased during the last year, the interest in canoeing is ever increasing, and new clubs are now in the process of starting in a number of places: Aberdeen, Stirling, Crieff and Kincardine. With the Association getting larger, the Council of the SCA proposes to create two separate offices of Hon. Secretary and Hon. Treasurer which previously have been held jointly by the same officer. Districts Committees were set up during the last year, acting as sounding boards of general opinion.

Apart from taking part in the national scheme of the Youch Championships — their organisation will be in the capable hands of SCA President H. Y. S. Stevenson — one of the most promising developments in the Scottish area has been that some of the Ayrshire clubs intend to concentrate on racing. Thus there is hope that we will see some effect of

this also on a national level.

It should also be mentioned that Jack and Jean Mclean of Tay CC who both have been so very active in slalom over many years, have decided to retire from the official scene. They will be missed even if this retirement is meant to be for one year only.



From the Clubs

Chelmsford Boating Club reports a growing number of groups, other than canoe clubs, taking up canoeing in the Mid-Essex area. One of the aims of the club's policy is to get youngsters and groups building their own canoe to use a suitable design; and they report that Bromfield Sea Scouts have scrapped all the craft which they used last season and are now producing 12 NCK 1s. The move of the club to new premises is now completed but they have been suffering recently from attempts to break into the club-house, and one night the van owned by a syndicate and used by club members to get to the various runs and races was heaved into the river by hooligans.

Discussions have been held with

the local angling societies who have agreed to hold their competitions on other than the club's fixture dates. As a result of the discussions between the IWA, the club, and the local council and the River Board

GALE HITS LEEDS WORTLEY SCHOOL CC

Upper Wortley School CC is in great distress: their boathouse was hit by the gale in the middle of February, and roof and the upper floor are completely destroyed. Though the canoes suffered little damage, they do not know whether they will be able to raise sufficient funds to repair their headquarters. We wish them luck.

new sluices in the town centre are to have boat rollers alongside and upstream two new weirs are to have facilities for portaging canoes.

While canoeing alone on a lake in Southern Germany, John Chase an experienced canoeing instructor at the Outward Bound Mountain School Eskdale, was capsized by a sudden storm and succumbed to the low temperature of the water. In his memory the Outward Bound School will sponsor a seven mile race on Lake Windermere for the John Chase Shield which is to be competed for annually by any youth organization. Lakeland CC stands for the organization of the race.

CAMBRIDGE GREENLAND KAYAK EXPEDITION

For the first time since the 1932 expedition of Gino Watkins, a kayak expedition will return in the summer to the East coast of Greenland. Four members of Cambridge University CC will spend July and August in this part of Greenland, not as a qualified team of scientists, but as a practical group of expert canoeists. Greenland is the only remaining region on the Arctic where kayaks are still used for their original purpose of seal hunting. It is known that during the course of the last few centuries several Eskimos have been washed ashore in kayaks in the Orkneys and Shetlands which were later traced to the Angmagssalik The group intends to investigate the techniques used to combat heavy seas in these tiny crafts and to study the methods of navigation which enabled these people to survive on such long sea journeys of over a thousand miles. ...

Blue Waters CC has left the Woolwich Recreational Institute and has found more convenient and larger premises.

The Carlisle Service of Youth CC—they affiliated recently to the BCU—report that they have a large clubroom and boathouse about 100 yards from the river Eden open to all under 21. They hope to arrange a holiday trip on the Wye in September and a junior meet on the Eden in June.

FIRE DESTROYS BRADFORD-ON-AVON BOATHOUSE

hit Bradford-on-Avon Rowing Club when fire destroyed the club's boathouse and all its equipment on January 18. Four Fours. two pairs, two singles, ten canoes and all blades and paddles were lost. An Appeal Fund for £2,500 to rebuild the boathouse has been launched, and the club is making an all-out effort to be ready in time for the annual Bathto-Bradford Race on July 14-15. We appeal to other clubs and members to respond generously to this appeal for help. The club is also interested in the possibility of acquiring any second-hand K1, K2 or NCK1's. Please write to the club's President: Mr. A. E. Moulton, The Hall, Bradford-on-Avon.

Oxford University Kayak and Canoe Club claims, due to systematic training sessions, to have some of the fittest members of any club in the country. In order to stimulate

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FROM NICHOLAS KAYE 194/200 BISHOPSGATE E.C.2 the competitive spirit of the club, they have organised a series of handicap races in which even women have taken part.

Birmingham CC started the new year off with a dinner on February 17 when they presented their new President with the "Capsizer of the Year" trophy: a wooden spoon! The club's interest in slalom is increasing with a greater number of members competing in the various slaloms.

The Orwell CC in Ipswich has arranged a programme of 14 meets on the local waterways throughout the season to which they would welcome any visiting canoeist from other clubs.

The new Cleethorpes CC has found premises in the Cleethorpes Youth Centre with rooms for meetings, boat building and storage. Their first racing canoes of the BPK 53 type are under construction and they hope to stage races on the tide and the local boating lake during this summer.



From Headquarters and Committees

THE BCU CANOE INSURANCE

Independent marine insurance experts rate the BCU Canoe Insurance scheme as the best available in comparison with the premiums charged. The policy covers the insured canoe with all gear and equipment in the United Kingdom and whilst on the Continent, including transit, whether on a cruise, tour, race, slalom or other activity. The cover includes camping equipment, gear, clothing and other effects normally carried in a canoe, but not such items as cameras, watches, binoculars, compasses, jewellery and other items of a similar nature.

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BCU ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 26th Annual General Meeting of the BCU was held on January 13. The meeting accpted Council's proposals that as from the financial year starting on November 1, 1962, the rates of subscription payable by Affiliated Clubs shall be: Full Members 7/6 and Family and Junior Members 2/6. An amendment calling for an increase in the rates of subscription for Junior Members only, was defeated.

The meeting also rejected, for practical reasons, a motion calling for the holding of the BCU Elementary Proficiency Test Certificate by Juniors taking part in competitive events. At the moment, the Union does not possess the machinery to cope with the likely numbers involved, and the Technical Committees expressed the view that the test as such does not meet the safety requirements of slalom and racing. An amendment to the effect that the Technical Committees should take all possible safety measures, was carried.

The declaration of the postal ballot for the election of officers and members of the Council gave the

following results:

Hon, Secretary: R. W. Baker (Unopposed)

Hon. Treasurer: E. Owen (Unopposed) Members of the Council: R. F. Tyas, J. Spuhler, M. Rothwell. H. Thelen, G. Marshall.

Clubs and members are reminded that members of Council are not being elected to represent a club, a section or an area in the Union but in an individual capacity. They are, therefore, entirely free agents to express their own views on any matter discussed by Council, and under Council's Standing Orders are not allowed to divulge details of the discussions in Council which are confidential.

WHITSUNTIDE MEET 1962

This meet is to be arranged on the Bristol Avon, starting Saturday morning and finishing Whit Monday. If you want particulars, please write to the Touring Secretary, c/o BCU Headquarters, enclosing 3d stamp.

Changes in Canal Charges

On January 1, 1962, British Waterways introduced new "uniform" scales of charges for pleasure craft, covering both cruising and mooring, in place of the previous separate scales. As these were 33½% higher than the previous cruising scales, the Union made representations against the increase, claiming for canoeists the standard 25% mooring rebate that was to be allowed to craft "moored to land not owned by the Commission".

British Waterways have now confirmed that "canoes removed from the water after use, and therefore not requiring moorings, will be allowed the standard reduction of 25% of the licence fee". This reduction will have to be claimed when applying for a canal cruising licence. With it the canoeist will pay no more, or sometimes even less than, under the 1961 scales.

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The special weekly canoe licence (without use of locks) has, however, gone up from 7/6 to 10/-, but its period of validity has been extended to two weeks. British Waterways refused to concede the 25% mooring rebate because 7/6 does not cover the cost of issuing the special licence. The Touring Secretary holds a small stock of canal licence application

forms (form T.1.).

BCU Officers and Clubs

The principal officers of the Union are named below and all correspondence intended for them should be addressed to their private addresses. Where letters are sent by members of the Union, the writer should give his club and/or membership number.

President: J. W. Dudderidge, 3 The Drive, Radlett, Herts.

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Membership Secretary: F. G. Marshall, Manor Lodge, Gilesgate, Durham. BCU Youth Officer: J. W. Gould, South Lodge, Fairwater Road, Llandaff, Cardiff.

Home Touring: R. F. Tyas, 19 Pine Hill, Epsom, Surrey.

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National Championships (Racing): E. Harris, 147 Gravelly Hill, Erdington, Birmingham 23.

Youth Championships: A. L. Todd, 47 Knightwood Crescent, New Malden, Surrey.

National Coaching Adviser for Racing: B. Wood, 187 Hedge Lane, London, N.13.

Slalom: D. Lucas, 5 Harts Leap Road, Sandhurst, Berks.

Long Distance Racing: J. M. Woolley, Highlands, Rugby Road, Cubbington, Leamington Spa.

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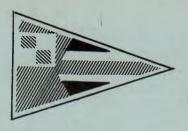
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