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EDITORIAL. Membership of the British Canoe Union is up by 27% this year, a heartening increase, but there are still many canoeists who don't see why they should join the B.C.U. If you know any paddlers who are not members, will you put this point to them: If all persons interested in canoeing would only join the Union, the increase in numbers would greatly strengthen our hand in negotiations over access to waterways, and in getting things done for canoeists by the Government.

The lone canoeist who scorns joining the organisation representing his sport may find that, through his inaction, he is gradually pushed off river after river by other interests.

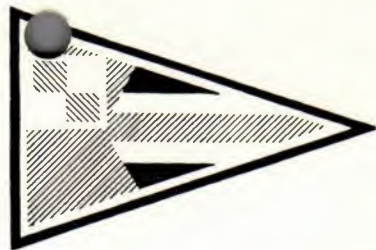
It is unlikely that the non-member will read this editorial. He probably does not realise what he and his brother canoeists are in danger of losing. Council is doing its best, but it cannot quote anything like the number of members it needs. There is no point in it saying, "There are probably thousands of canoeists outside the B.C.U. in addition to our own members." Only FACTS are of any use.

If each member persuaded one "lone ranger" to join the B.C.U., our numbers would double overnight, and we would be that much stronger. You will in fact be doing the non-member and yourself a favour by persuading him to join. A blank membership form will be enclosed with your Renewal Card this year. Will you see that it isn't wasted?

Motions for discussion at the A.G.M., and any nominations of candidates for election to Council must be received before 30th November. One reason for the poor ballot in previous years may be that many B.C.U. members have no idea of who the candidates are, or what they have done for canoeing.

Consequently, if candidates will supply me with up to fifty words maximum about themselves, I will include this information beside the Postal Ballot Form, if a ballot is to be held. This information should be sent with the nomination papers, to the General Secretary at the address at the foot of this page. It is stressed that, in order to ensure fairness, every candidate should avail himself of this offer.

JACK LEVISON.



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FACILITIES AND ACCESS

The small committee set up by the Council to go into questions of improved facilities and access problems has had several meetings, and has been working on a memorandum setting out canoeists' needs and the difficulties they have to meet especially in seeking to canoe on fast flowing water. The committee has also begun to work on a Canoeists' Code, designed to show that canoeing and other recreational uses of rivers and waterways are compatible, given courtesy, consideration and understanding on all sides. The object is to draw on these two statements in taking up with Government Departments, local authorities, river authorities, landowners, fishery interests etc., the various aspects in which canoeing impinges on their individual interests.

The President, John Dudderidge, has already written to Mr. Willey, Minister of Land and Natural Resources, following statements that he hoped to introduce legislation shortly amending the National Parks and Access to the Countryside Act, setting out canoeists' disabilities under the present law relating to rights of way. It is intended later to approach the Minister responsible for sport in the Department of Education and Science, and others when the time seems right. Our needs are being made known to the new Sports Development Council, and the Union is represented on a C.C.P.R. committee that has been set up to present proposals.

It will help the committee to be told of particular objections encountered by members. There may be nothing that the Union can do immediately to help, but the fuller the picture that can be presented to the authorities the better. If there are cases where a public right of way is believed to exist, and is being challenged, please give details to the General Secretary; the Union is already looking into a problem of this sort on the Ribble.

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National Open Youth Championships 1965

Twelve of the fourteen selected geographical areas ran their area championships, and most of the class winners accepted the invitation to take part in the National Finals, which were incorporated into the National Sprint Championships at Pangbourne.

The glamour of the Serpentine was well matched by the beautiful setting of the Child Beale Estate, and the big time atmosphere was built up for these youthful aspirants for future honours on the camp-site where they pitched their tents side by side with the cream of the country's international paddlers. For the first time in the history of the girls event, three minutes was broken for the 500 metres, and this by the first three home.

There was one apparently insurmountable obstacle to complete success, namely to compensate for the loss of the *News of the World's* generous financial support in canoeing expenses, and providing the prizes for this invitation event. It is well known that the Paddle Racing

RIVER WEY—CHARGES

The Union has been informed by the National Trust, which now owns the River Wey Navigation, of the scheme of licences and charges that now applies.

Licence (1st January to 31st December) to keep a canoe on the river, 15/-; Lock Tolls, per lock, day return, 9d. (not levied at Walsham Gates). There are eleven locks below Guildford and four between Guildford and Godalming.

Annual lock passes are available, valid for the same period as the licence, at charges from 15/- for one lock to £4 for all eleven between Thames and Guildford and £2 5s. for the Guildford to Godalming stretch.

There is a special return pass for visiting craft valid two weeks covering one return trip between Guildford and the Thames, 15/-, no licence or other lock fees required, or £1 between Godalming and Thames.

No reductions are given for covering part of the river only.

Licence plates are issued and have to be exhibited, as on the Thames.

Licences to be obtained from the River Wey Navigation, Guildford Wharf, Friary Street, Guildford, Surrey.

RIVER WYE—BREDWARDINE

The landing at Bredwardine bridge has been wired off. It is believed that this may be because the reach below the bridge is a particularly good one for fishing. Canoeists should therefore not rely on being able to land to get provisions etc., at Bredwardine.

RIVER TEES

The broken weir at 10½ miles, below iron bridge, is reported to have been rebuilt. A portage may be necessary.

Committee's slender resources are sadly strained in the furtherance of Senior International Racing, and could hardly be called on further. However Bob Vardy of Avoncraft, and Messrs. Jenkins and Lancefield of Moonraker, whose Class 3 craft have come to be exclusively used in the event these last two years came to the rescue with a generous donation each, which adequately covered the cost of the "National" type gold, silver and bronze medallions we were able to provide for the first three in each class and the winning relay team. In addition both manufacturers loaned canoes for use by the Northern Ireland contingent and all other competitors unable to bring their own, and I would like to record the grateful acknowledgement of the P.R.C. for this most welcome gesture.

The overall support for this ever growing competition has been most heartening, promising the scheme to be a worthwhile one in bringing new blood into our sport, and providing a steady yearly flow of potential talent which could well turn out to contain the British Olympic representation of the future.

JACK THOMAS.

National Championships**Senior Men K1, 10,000m.**

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| 1. A. Edwards, Worcs. | 47.28 |
| 2. A. Wilson, Kyle | 47.29 |
| 3. C. Evans, Royal | 47.46 |

Jun. Men K1, 10,000m.

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|---------------------------|-------|
| 1. P. Gardener, Riverside | 48.47 |
| 2. L. Bolam, R.L. Spa | 50.20 |
| 3. D. Jordan, Richmond | 50.21 |

Novice Men K1, 10,000m.

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|----------------------|-------|
| 1. K. Yates, Wolver. | 56.15 |
| 2. J. Court, L.C.C. | 57.15 |
| 3. P. Burton, Kyle | 59.10 |

Novice Men, Class 3/4, 10,000m.

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|-----------------------------|-------|
| 1. C. Hillmen, Worcs. | 53.08 |
| 2. K. Cherrington, Birm. K. | 61.48 |

Sen. Men K2, 500m.

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|-----------------------------------|--------|
| 1. Sowman/Lawler,
R.L.S./Rich. | 1.57.0 |
| 2. Edwards/Wade, Hat. | 1.59.0 |

Ladies K2, 500m.

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|---------------------------------|--------|
| 1. Emmerson/Meane,
Rich/Hat. | 2.22.3 |
| 2. Tucker/Huskisson, Rich. | 2.23.2 |
| 3. Oliver/Buckett, S'hamp. | 2.28.8 |

Youth K1, 500m.

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|-------------------------|--------|
| 1. J. Moore, Camp Hill | 2.27.5 |
| 2. D. Rogers, S'hampton | 2.31.0 |
| 3. C. Haskey, JLRRE | 2.34.6 |

Sen. Men K1, 500m.

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|------------------------|--|
| 1. A. Wilson, Kyle | |
| 2. P. Lawler, Richmond | |
| 3. M. Mean, Hatfield | |

Senior Men K4

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|--|--------|
| 1. Birmingham K.
(Wilson/Palmer/Edwards/
Shenton | 3.39.0 |
| 2. Hatfield (Lawler/Sowman/
Hollier/Wade | 3.47.9 |

Jun. Men K1, 1000m.

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|---------------------------|--------|
| 1. L. Oliver, Lincoln | 4.43.0 |
| 2. L. Bolam, R.L. Spa | 4.49.2 |
| 3. P. Gardener, Riverside | 4.51.9 |

Novice Men K1, 500m.

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|------------------------|--------|
| 1. J. Moore, Camp Hill | 2.23.8 |
| 2. P. Ludlow, Richmond | 2.31.0 |
| 3. C. Haskey, JLRRE | 2.32.5 |

Sen. Men K1, 1000m.

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|---|--------|
| 1. A. Wilson, Kyle | 4.26.3 |
| 2. P. Lawler, Richmond | 4.34.3 |
| 3. M. Mean, Hatfield
A. Sowman, R.L.S. } | 4.35.2 |

Youth Championship K2, 500m.

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|---------------------------------|--------|
| 1. Moore/Bryan, Camp Hill | 2.13.3 |
| 2. Purchas/Purchas, R.L.S. | 2.21.2 |
| 3. Beavis/Rudderham,
S'hamp. | 2.24.4 |

Sen. Men K2, 1000m.

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|-----------------------------------|--------|
| 1. Shenton/Wilson,
Ryl/Kyle | 4.11.1 |
| 2. Sowman/Lawler,
R.L.S./Rich. | 4.11.7 |
| 3. Mean/Edwards,
Hat./Worcs. | 4.12.5 |

Jun. Men K1, 500m.

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|-----------------------|--|
| 1. L. Oliver, Lincoln | |
| 2. L. Bolam, R.L. Spa | |
| 3. J. Kidd, R.L. Spa | |

Ladies K1, 500m.

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|-------------------------|--------|
| 1. M. Tucker, Richmond | 2.35.1 |
| 2. L. Oliver, S'hampton | 2.38.3 |
| 3. S. Jackson, Royal | 2.39.1 |

Jun. Men K4, 1000m.

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|---|--------|
| 1. Lincoln (Oliver/Parker/
Oliver/Lilley) | 4.05.0 |
| 2. Kyle (Rowell/Brockie/
Mclvor/Burton) | 4.09.5 |
| 3. Southampton (Orchard/
Rogers/Caldicutt/
Rudderham) | 4.25.0 |

Class 3/4, 1000m.

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|--------------------------|--------|
| 1. R. Orchard, S'hampton | 5.30.0 |
| 2. W. Bevis, S'hampton | 5.32.9 |
| 3. S. Glasgow, Belfast | 5.44.3 |

Jun. Men K1, 4 x 500m. Relay

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| 1. R.L. Spa (Kidd/Baldwin/
Lacey/Bolam) | 9.08.3 |
| 2. Kyle (Rowell/Brockie/
Mclvor/Burton) | 9.17.8 |

Sen. Men K1, 4 x 500m. Relay

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| 1. Birmingham K. (Palmer/
Shenton/Edwards/
Wilson) | 8.35.2 |
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| 2. Hatfield/Richmond
(Lawler/Hollier/Wade/
Sowman) | 8.35.2 |
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Ladies K4, 500m.

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| 1. Jackson/Huskisson/
Oliver/Buckett) | 2.13.2 |
| 2. Tucker/Emmerson/Baker/
Mean | 2.13.9 |

Jun. Men K2, 500m.

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|-----------------------------|--------|
| 1. Lawler/Bolam, Rich. | 2.00.0 |
| 2. Parker/Oliver, Linc. | 2.03.0 |
| 3. Kirkby/Lilley, Ryl/Linc. | 2.08.0 |

Jun. Men K2, 1000m.

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|-----------------------------|--------|
| 1. Parker/Oliver, Linc. | 4.21.8 |
| 2. Lawler/Bolam, Rich. | 4.25.8 |
| 3. Kirkby/Lilley, Ryl/Linc. | 4.30.5 |

Sen. Men K2, 10,000m.

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|-----------------------------------|---------|
| 1. Sowman/Lawler,
R.L.S./Rich. | 45.30.0 |
| 2. Edwards/Wade,
Worcs/Hat. | 45.42.0 |
| 3. Wilson/Shenton,
Kyle/Ryl. | 45.43.0 |

Jun. Men K2, 10,000m.

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|----------------------------------|---------|
| 1. Parker/Oliver, Linc. | 46.51.0 |
| 2. Lawler/Bolam,
Rich./R.L.S. | 47.44.5 |
| 3. Kirkby/Bosher, Ryl | 48.02.0 |

Richmond C.C. Regatta, 10 July

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| Ladies K1, 500m. | |
| 1. M. Tucker, Richmond | 2.55.3 |
| 2. L. Oliver, S'hampton | 2.59.0 |

Sen. Men K1, 1000m.

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|------------------------|--------|
| 1. P. Lawler, Richmond | 3.45.2 |
| 2. T. Sowman, R.L. Spa | 3.46.6 |

Youth Class 3/4, 500m.

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|------------------------|--------|
| 1. — Haskey, JLR Dover | 2.22.0 |
| 2. H. Baker, Harlow | 2.28.0 |

Mixed K2, 500m.

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|------------------------------------|--------|
| 1. Tucker/Stevens, Rich. | 2.57.6 |
| 2. Oliver/Huskisson,
Linc./Ryl. | 3.05.0 |

Open Men, Class 6/7, 1000m.

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|---------------------------------|--------|
| 1. Talbot/Flook,
JLR Dover | 3.49.6 |
| 2. Hewitt/Greenaway,
ATC 33F | 4.09.8 |

Novice K1, 500m.

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|--------------------------|--------|
| 1. J. Hunstead, Richmond | 2.08.4 |
| 2. — Kenyon, 16 Para | 2.09.4 |

Jun. Men K1, 500m.

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| 1. A. Kirkby, Royal | 2.58.6 |
| 2. J. Kidd, R.L. Spa | 2.59.2 |

Sen. Men K2, 1000m.

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|-----------------------------------|--------|
| 1. Lawler/Sowman,
Rich./R.L.S. | 3.50.2 |
| 2. Wade/Hollier, Hat. | 3.54.0 |

Ladies Richmond Dashes, 200m.

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|---------------|------|
| 1. M. Tucker | 43.3 |
| 2. S. Jackson | |

Jun. Men K2, 500m.

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|-------------------------|--------|
| 1. Parker/Oliver, Linc. | 1.46.8 |
| 2. Jupp/Warren, 63 Para | 1.49.0 |

Canadian 6, 1000m.

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|---------------|--------|
| 1. Royal | 4.27.6 |
| 2. Twickenham | 4.30.0 |

Men Richmond Dashes, 200m.

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| 1. P. Lawler | 36.4 |
| 2. R. Lawler | 36.6 |

Men Open Class 3/4, 1000m.

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| 1. T. Thomas, Hatfield | |
| 2. R. Orchard, S'hampton | |

Jun./Sen. K4, 1000m.

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|-------------------|--------|
| 1. Lincoln/Worcs. | 3.31.0 |
| 2. Hatfield | 3.38.2 |

Canadian Pairs, 500m.

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|-------------------------|--------|
| 1. Perkes/Hubbard, Ryl. | 2.37.0 |
| 2. Jansen/O'Keefe, Ryl. | 3.09.0 |

Canadian Singles, 500m.

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|------------------------|--------|
| 1. K. Pereira, Lincoln | 3.23.0 |
| Only one finished | |

River Avon Race, 3 July**Class 1a**

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| 1. D. Cook, Pengwern | 1.08.50 |
| 2. H. Gledhill, RASCJL | 1.13.00 |

Class 1b

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| 1. K. Tull, RASCJL | 1.18.00 |
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Class 2b

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|-----------------------|---------|
| 1. I. Balfour, Nomads | 1.07.00 |
| 2. B. Hughes, Nomads | 1.07.25 |

Class 3a

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|---------------------|---------|
| 1. S. Smith, Worcs. | 1.03.50 |
| 2. P. Smith, Worcs. | 1.12.25 |

Class 3b

1. W. Bevis, S'hampton 1.05.50
2. R. Orchard, S'hampton 1.07.50

Class 3c

1. L. Oliver, S'hampton 1.09.00
2. S. Buckett, S'hampton 1.16.25

Class 6b

1. Barker/Stoddart,
Hwll. G. 1.02.00
2. Gowland/McHoul,
Hwll. G. 1.04.00

Class 7a

1. Brooks/Bennett, Vik. 1.00.25
2. Purchas/Purchas, R.L.S. 1.05.50

Class 7b

1. Caldecutt/Rudderham,
S'hampton. 1.04.50
2. Courtenay/Rose,
RASCJL 1.11.50

Lincoln Fosse Race, 23 May**Class 1a**

1. D. Green, Viking 1.51.38
2. — Evans, 63 RASC 1.52.52

Class 1b

1. R. Oliver, Lincoln 1.07.20
2. C. Haskey, JLR Dover 1.09.48

Class 2a

1. D. Lewis, Harlow 2.05.52
2. H. Gledhill, JLR Taun. 2.09.00

Class 2b

1. I. Balfour, Nomads } 1.20.25
G. Maughan, Gailey }

Class 3a

1. S. Smith, Worcs. 1.54.19
2. K. Cantle, Harlow 2.00.04

Class 3b

1. R. Freeman, Lincoln 1.12.30
2. J. Moore, 279 B'ham S. 1.12.38

Class 3c

1. A. Huskinson, Barts 1.21.15
2. C. Baker, Notts Sch. 1.28.45

Class 4a

1. K. Pereira, Lincoln 1.56.22
2. A. Laws, Lincoln 2.02.20

Class 4b

1. M. Franklin, Harlow 1.19.04
2. S. Gray, JLR Taun. 1.21.12

Class 5a

1. — Baker/Oliver, Linc. 1.33.45
2. — Top/Jack, 63 RASC 1.40.12

Class 5b

1. Evans/Walton,
JLR Dover 1.09.30
2. Talbot/Flook,
JLR Dover 1.09.59

Class 6a

1. Lilley/Watkins, Linc. 1.44.00
2. Deakins/Smith, Linc. 1.45.42

Class 6b

1. Onion/Ridyard, Gailey 1.13.22
2. Pickup/McLaughlan,
JLR Dover 1.19.18

Class 7a

1. Bave/Morgan, Gailey 1.52.47
2. Oliver/Williams,
Sandhurst 1.53.47

Class 7b

1. Jackson/Brook,
Dews Ad. 1.17.52
2. Davenport/Midgeley,
JLR Taun. 1.19.08

Royal C.C. Regatta, 3 July**Ladies K2, 500m.**

1. Emmerson/Mean,
Hat./Rich. 2.14.1
2. Jackson/Huskisson, Ryl. 2.19.0

Men C2, 1000m.

1. Perkes/Hubbard, Ryl. 5.57.1
2. Jansen/Smith, Ryl. 6.02.1

Sen. Men K1, 1000m.

1. M. Mean, Hatfield 3.49.4
2. P. Lawler, Richmond 3.51.8

Men C6, 1000m.

1. Twickenham 4.12.2
2. Royal —

Open Men K1, 250m.

1. P. Lawler, Richmond 43.0
2. S. Hollier, Hatfield 44.5

Youth K1, 500m.

1. — Haskey, JLR Dover 2.26.0
2. T. Thomas, Hatfield 2.35.0

Jun. Men K1, 1000m.

1. L. Bolam, R.L. Spa 4.10.2
2. R. Stevens, Richmond 4.09.1

Ladies K1, 500m.

1. S. Jackson, Royal 2.38.4
2. K. Emmerson, Rich. 2.39.1

Jun. Men K2, 1000m.

1. Jordan/Stevens,
Ryl./Rich. 3.48.4
2. Kirkby/Bosher, Ryl. 3.51.0

Sen. Men K2, 1000m.

1. Mean/Evans, Hat./Ryl. —
2. Lawler/Sowman, Rich./R.L.S. —

Jun. Men K4, 1000m.

1. Lincoln —
2. Royal —

Sen. Men K4, 1000m.

1. Royal 3.15.1
2. Richmond 3.15.3

Novice K1, 500m.

1. L. Shearer, Richmond 2.22.2
2. P. Who, Richmond 2.24.0

Jun./Sen. Relay, 4 x 500m.

1. Royal 8.07.3
2. Richmond —

Royal L.D. Race, 16 May**Class 1a**

1. C. Evans, Royal 1.53.09
2. P. Gardner, Riverside 1.53.45

Class 1b

1. R. Oliver, Lincoln 1.06.08
2. G. Lacey, R.L. Spa 1.06.14

Class 2a

1. W. Machin, Gailey 2.12.27
2. D. Lewis, Harlow 2.20.42

Class 2b

1. I. Balfour, Nomads 1.14.56
2. G. Maughan, Gailey 1.16.12

Class 3a

1. S. Smith, Worcs. 2.09.04
2. J. Holmes, Lincoln 2.12.29

Class 3b

1. J. Moore, 279 B'ham S. 1.09.54
2. R. Freeman, Lincoln 1.10.00

Class 4a

1. K. Pereira, Lincoln 2.10.00
2. A. Laws, Lincoln 2.13.25

Class 4b

1. M. Franklin, Harlow 1.15.42
2. T. McCool, Viking } 1.16.55
S. Gray, JLRASC }

Class 4c

1. — Emmerson, Rich. 1.18.06
2. — Oliver, S'hampton 1.18.08

Class 5a

1. Parker/Oliver, Linc. 1.43.39
2. Stevens/Jordan, Royal 1.46.12

Class 5b

1. Walton/Evans, JLRRE 1.05.14
2. Girling/Ashley, JLRRE 1.09.40

Class 6a

1. Watkin/Bosher, Royal 1.57.48
2. Foulger/Cundy, Hat. 1.58.55

Class 6b

1. Burry/Avery, M'head 1.09.09
2. Hewitt/Greenaway,
Batt. 1.14.18

Class 7a

1. Dalton/Kavanagh, Rich. 1.59.00
2. Stimpson/Evans, 63 Para 2.00.00

Class 7b

1. Roger/Orchard,
S'hampton —
2. Caldicott/Rudderham,
S'hampton —

Youth Championship, 1965**31 July - 1 August****Class A Boys 16-18**

1. J. D. Moore, West Mid. 2.31.5
2. R. Freeman, North Mid. 2.36.6
3. T. MacCool, East 2.40.0

Class B Boys 14-16

1. M. Whitby,
London & S.E. 2.41.7
2. G. Mackereth, Yorks. 2.44.1
3. T. Thomas, East 2.45.3

Class C. Girls 14-18

1. L. Oliver, South 2.42.6
2. B. Mean, East 2.54.1
3. C. Baker, North Mid. 2.57.5

Relay

1. JLRRE, London & S.E.
(Haskey/Evans/Walton/
Flook) 10.23.2
2. Dewsbury Ad. Club, Yorks.
(Blakeley/Manning/
Exley/Thompson) 10.25.0

3. Lincoln C.C./North Mid.
(Freeman/Trigg/Wesley/
Lockwood) 10.

Scottish Area National Open Youth Championships, 1965

Class A

- J. Gilmour, Ardrossan
- A. Donald, Aberdeen
- W. Reichenstein, Newmilns

Class B

- W. Bryce, Kyle
- R. Shand, Aberdeen
- G. King, Aberdeen

Class C

- A. McDougall, Ardrossan
- A. Scott, Kyle
- A. Woodburn, Newmilns

I.C.U. Lagan Race, 24 April

Class 5

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|----------------------------|-------|
| 1. Crowley/Tuohy, Espoir | 39.15 |
| 2. Lawrence/Lowry,
WWKC | 39.28 |

Class 3

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|--------------------------|-------|
| 1. N. Alexander, Belfast | 43.20 |
| 2. T. Tyrell, Belfast | 46.30 |

I.C.U. Milk for Stamina Race,

Class 5

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|----------------------------|--------|
| 1. Glasgow/Nevin, Belfast | 1.1.33 |
| 2. Lawrence/Lowry,
WWKC | 1.9.05 |

Class 3

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|--------------------------|---------|
| 1. N. Alexander, Belfast | 1.4.37 |
| 2. J. Kelly, Kilcullin | 1.10.56 |

Worcester Regatta, 24 July

Sen. K2, 500m.

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| 1. Sowman/Lawler,
RLS/Rich. | 1.27.8 |
| 2. Wilson/Shenton,
Kyle/Ryl. | 1.28.4 |

Youth K1, 500m.

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|------------------------|--------|
| 1. J. Moore, Camp Hill | 1.50.9 |
| 2. A. Laws, Lincoln | 1.53.0 |

Jun. K1, 500m.

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| 1. L. Oliver, Lincoln | 1.39.6 |
| 2. J. Kidd, R.L. Spa | 1.41.4 |

Sen. K1, 500m.

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| 1. A. Wilson, Kyle | 1.37.3 |
| 2. T. Sowman, R.L. Spa | 1.40.1 |

Youth K2

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| 1. Hillman/Miller, Worcs. | 1.49.5 |
| 2. Purchas/Thorne,
R.L. Spa | 1.54.2 |

Jun. K1, 1000m.

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| 1. L. Bolam, R.L. Spa | 3.52.8 |
| 2. A. Miller, Harlow | 3.53.4 |

Sen. K2, 1000m.

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| 1. Sowman/Lawler,
RLS/Rich. | 3.26.2 |
| 2. Wilson/Shenton,
Kyle/Ryl. | 3.26.7 |

Ladies K2, 500m.

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| 1. Mean/Emerson,
Hat./Rich. | 1.49.0 |
| 2. Oliver/Buckett, S'hamp. | 1.52.5 |

Sen. K1, 1000m.

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| 1. A. Wilson, Kyle | 3.37.2 |
| 2. P. Lawler, Rich. | 3.41.6 |

Ladies K1, 500m.

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| 1. M. Tucker, Richmond | 1.53.5 |
| 2. L. Oliver, S'hampston | 1.56.5 |

Jun. K2 500m.

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| 1. Jupp/Warren, 63 Para | 1.35.5 |
| 2. Miller/Pereira,
Harl/Linc.
Bolam/Parker,
RLS/Linc. | 1.38.7 |

Jun. K2, 1000m.

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|-------------------------|--------|
| 1. Parker/Oliver, Linc. | 3.38.0 |
| 2. Warren/Jupp, 63 Para | 3.41.0 |

Birmingham Regatta, 22 May

Sen. Men K1, 500m.

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|-----------------------|--------|
| 1. A. Wilson, Kyle | 1.58.0 |
| 2. A. Edwards, Worcs. | 2.03.0 |

Jun. Men K1, 500m.

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|---------------------------|--------|
| 1. P. Gardener, Riverside | 2.07.5 |
| 2. L. Bolam, R.L. Spa | 2.08.0 |

Novice Men K1, 500m.

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|---------------------|--------|
| 1. S. McIvor, Kyle | 2.15.0 |
| 2. S. Smith, Worcs. | 2.23.0 |

Sen. Men K2, 500m.

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|---------------------------------|--------|
| 1. Edwards/Palmer, Worcs. | 1.51.0 |
| 2. Shenton/Wilson,
Ryl./Kyle | 1.52.0 |

Jun. Men K2, 500m.

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|-------------------------|--------|
| 1. Kidd/Lacey, R.L. Spa | 2.26.0 |
| 2. Brockie/McIvor, Kyle | 2.26.0 |

Novice Men, Class 3/4, 500m.

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|--------------------------|--------|
| 1. T. Beere, Hatfield | 2.26.0 |
| 2. C. Hillman, Worcester | 2.26.0 |

Welsh Harp Regatta, 7 June

Jun. Men K1, 1000m.

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|-----------------------|--------|
| 1. L. Oliver, Lincoln | 4.19.1 |
| 2. L. Bolam, R.L. Spa | 4.26.8 |

Sen. Men K1, 1000m.

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| 1. M. Mean, Hatfield | 4.14.3 |
| 2. C. Evans, Royal | 4.15.2 |

Sen. Men K2, 1000m.

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|---------------------------|--------|
| 1. Edwards/Palmer, Worcs. | 3.57.6 |
| 2. Mean/Evans, Hat./Ryl. | 3.59.2 |

Jun. Men K2, 1000m.

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|-------------------------|--------|
| 1. Parker/Oliver, Linc. | 4.08.4 |
| 2. Brockie/McIvor, Kyle | — |

Sen. Men K4, 1000m.

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| 1. Edwards/Palmer/
Shenton/Mean
Bolam/Hollier | — |
| 2. Sowman/Wade/
Bolam/Hollier | — |

Jun. Men K4, 1000m.

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| 1. Lincoln (Oliver/Parker
Oliver/Lilley) | 3.54.0 |
| 2. Kyle (McIvor/Burton/
Brockie/Rowell) | 4.02.0 |

Novice Men K1, 500m.

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|-------------------------|--------|
| 1. A. Miller, Harlow | 2.26.3 |
| 2. A. Shearer, Richmond | 2.36.3 |

Women H'cap K1, 500m.

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|--------------------------|--------|
| 1. L. Oliver, S'hampston | 2.24.8 |
| 2. B. Mean, Hatfield | 2.30.0 |

Jun./Sen. Men K1,

- | | |
|------------------------|--------|
| 4 x 500m. Relay | — |
| 1. Maidenhead/Worcs. | 8.33.0 |
| 2. Leamington/Hatfield | 8.34.4 |

Youth Class 3/4, 500m.

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|------------------------|--------|
| 1. T. Thomas, Hatfield | 2.40.8 |
| 2. H. Baker, Harlow | 2.42.0 |

Men Class 6/7, 1000m.

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| 1. Ruddershams/Caldecott,
S'hampston | 5.14.5 |
| 2. Royle/Grant, Lincoln | 5.50.8 |

Men Class 3/4, 1000m.

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| 1. F. Royle, Lincoln | — |
| 2. R. Nicholson, S'hampston | — |

Carlisle Slalom, 27 June

Div. III

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|-------------------------|------|---|
| 1. D. Swift, Leeds | 74.2 | % |
| 2. S. Thwaites, Lakel'd | 75.5 | |

Div. IV

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|----------------------|------|
| 1. D. Atkinson, Man. | 55.6 |
| 2. R. Lees, Camb. U. | 59.3 |

Ladies

- | | |
|-----------------------|------|
| 1. J. Battersby, Man. | 50.6 |
| 2. A. Evans, Lakeland | 97.8 |

Novices

- | | |
|------------------------------|------|
| 1. J. Goodwin, N'cle, Staffs | Best |
| 2. P. Heywood, Notts U. | 99 |

Team Event

- | | |
|---------------|-----|
| 1. Forth | 266 |
| 2. Manchester | 288 |

Chelmer Race, 30 May

Class 1A

- | | |
|------------------------|---------|
| 1. N. Lilley, Lincoln | 1.43.20 |
| 2. R. Lawler, Richmond | 1.44.24 |

Class 1B

- | | |
|-----------------------|---------|
| 1. R. Oliver, Lincoln | 1.43.20 |
| 2. L. Grant, Lincoln | 1.51.06 |

Class 2A

- | | |
|----------------------|---------|
| 1. W. Machin, Gailey | 1.53.59 |
| 2. D. Lewis, Harlow | 1.57.29 |

Class 2B

- | | |
|-----------------------|---------|
| 1. I. Balfour, Nomads | 1.57.20 |
| 2. G. Hunt, Harlow | 2.03.51 |

Class 3A

- | | |
|-----------------------|---------|
| 1. R. Cundy, Hatfield | 1.46.18 |
| 2. K. Cantle, Harlow | 1.51.10 |

Class 3B

- | | |
|------------------------|---------|
| 1. R. Freeman, Lincoln | 1.43.17 |
| 2. S. Ash, Harlow | 1.47.24 |

Class 3C

- | | |
|--------------------------|---------|
| 1. L. Oliver, S'hampston | 1.57.00 |
| 2. A. Huskisson, Royal | 1.59.00 |

Class 4A

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|------------------------|---------|
| 1. K. Pereira, Lincoln | 1.46.16 |
| 2. A. Miller, Harlow | 1.48.34 |

Class 4B

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|------------------------|---------|
| 1. M. Franklin, Harlow | 1.53.09 |
| 2. R. Goodall, Gailey | 2.00.05 |

Class 5A

1. Parker/Oliver, Linc.	1.31.26
2. Kirkby/Bosher, Ryl.	1.39.26

Class 5B

1. Scott/Scott, Finch.	2.24.32
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Class 6A

1. Deakins/Smith, Linc.	1.42.01
2. Bennett/Brooks, Vik.	1.44.10

Class 6B

1. Ridyard/Onion, Gail	1.51.03
2. Wakelin/Peck, Chel.	1.53.36

Class 7A

1. Bave/Morgan, Gail	1.43.57
2. Dalton/Cavanagh, Rich.	1.44.47

Class 7B

1. Orchard/Rogers, S'hamp.	1.47.31
2. Rudderham/Caldecott, S'hamp.	1.52.37

European Slalom, 2 May

	%
1. Jackson, Man.	57.8
2. Hutchins, Bristol	58.6

Ladies

1. M. Bellord, Chalfont	125.4
2. P. Squires, Coventry	152

Canadian Singles

1. R. Powell, Worcs.	462
2. R. Thacker, R.L. Spa	486

Canadian Doubles

1. Powell/Powell, Worcs.	441
2. Thacker/Olorenshaw, R.L.S.	507

Team Event

1. Manchester A	1016
2. Bristol	1057

1965 CANOE CONFERENCE

The conference (London and Home Counties) is being run once again by the B.C.U. in conjunction with the W.P.R. on 27th November at Garrett Green School, Burntwood Lane, Wandsworth, S.W.7. This event, it is hoped, will attract youth leaders, school teachers and their groups. More emphasis will be placed on demonstrations and visual aids. Along with the trade, club and specialist exhibitions, it is hoped to include canoe construction stands.

All clubs in London and the Home Counties are invited to exhibit at the conference, for recruiting purposes. A provisional programme together with full details is available now from the Publicity Officer, B.C.U., 26/29 Park Crescent, London W.1.

GREENLAND IN 1966

Plans are at present under way for three North-East canoeists, Alan Bye, Chris Hare and Ernie Evans to spend the summer of 1966 as part of an expedition to North-West Greenland. They hope to spend about twelve weeks in the Ubekendt Eiland district living and working with the seal hunters of the area.

NO TEAM FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

With the results of the Karlsruhe International Regatta to guide them, when all but one of our paddlers were eliminated in the heats, the selectors decided that the standard of our paddlers did not justify their selection for the European Championships in Rumania, when twenty or more nations would be taking part, bearing in mind that each member of the team would have to pay out of his own pocket a sum in the region of £70, and this does not take into account loss of earnings for a period of up to three weeks.

The Ministry of Education and Science offered a grant of £125 which they stated was roughly half the expense involved in sending a team of seven paddlers to the Championships. However, the estimates detailed on the application to the Ministry were for over £500, and the selectors are extremely disappointed at the small amount offered to racing, which is an Olympic sport.

Serious doubts were expressed at the chances of our paddlers ever reaching the standard of fitness and ability to contest European Championships and International regattas with any certainty of getting through heats unless a much more realistic attitude is taken in the granting of financial aid.

To reach the standard to justify selection for these events, it is absolutely necessary for our paddlers, in addition to a very full home regatta programme, to contest at least two international events each year. The cost of this goes far beyond what the paddlers can reasonably be expected to afford.

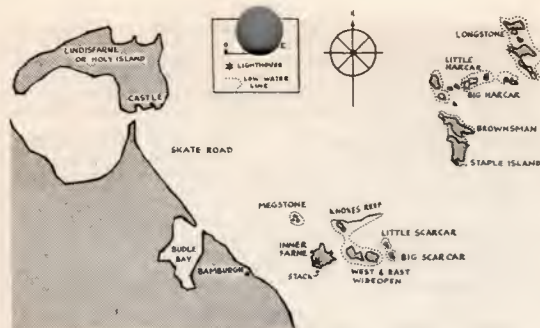
R. A. Sowman, Chairman of Selectors.

Tragic end to World Slalom Championships trip

The 1965 Championships and W.W. Race, held in August on the Lieser at Spittal, Austria, was marred by the tragic death of Philip Sixsmith, who went to watch the events and who was drowned after a capsizing during an expedition on the Isel. A message of sympathy has been sent by the B.C.U.

For the slalom, the water was three feet higher than in 1963, just within the safety limit. Kurt Preslmair won the Men's K1 event for Austria (276.7), closely followed by Gläser (E. Germany), the 1961 winner (277.4). Dave Mitchell did a good second run with thirty penalties and an overall score of 314 to finish thirteenth. In spite of the heavy water and a tough course of twenty-five gates, only seven seconds separated the first five places, with Dave only thirty-eight seconds behind the winner. John Woodhouse (340.7) and Ken Langford (368.8), both competing in their first World Championships, did extremely well to finish 17th and 21st out of fifty starters.

For the first time since 1957, Great Britain was represented in the Women's K1 event, won by Ursula Gläser of E. Germany. Heather Goodman and Jean Battersby competed on a very tough course with far heavier water than either of them had ever experienced before, and Jean did well to come sixteenth out of twenty-two starters. In the Wild Water race, Kurt Preslmair again took the Gold Medal, with a time of 25.27.0. Dave Mitchell finished tenth (26.23.3) with Ken Langford nineteenth, John Woodhouse twenty-eighth and John McLeod thirty-third out of fifty-one starters. Other results—Men's K1 Team Event: W. Germany 1st, Gt. Britain 8th (out of twelve).



A Northumbrian Week-end · Chris Hare

18—19—20 JUNE

The Group consisted of :

Chris Hare (Greenland Kayak)
 Alan Bye (K.W.4)
 Ian Williams (Greenland Kayak)
 Eric Fletcher (Moonraker Class 4)
 Derek Hutchinson (Wessex Sea Rapier)
 Ron Miller (Klepper T69)
 Don Howe (Spuhler)
 Ernie Evans (Greenland Kayak)
 Jim Meston (Klepper T69)

Holy Island harbour with castle in background



"I have phoned the met man at Acklington weather centre and the report is S.W. gale force 6 moderating to W. force 5 very slowly, so it looks as if it might be choppy!" These were the parting words of my wife as we left for a week-end trip to the Farne Islands.

All aboard Alan's Dormobile and off for Budle Bay. Four of us aboard with the trailer and boats lurching merrily behind. After a scramble we found a camp-site and disappeared to find the rest of the party, guessing they would not have passed the village pub without wishing the host well. However, luck was not to be ours, and at throwing-out time we wandered back to a deserted camp-site. About midnight the revving of engines heralded the second group, explaining that the number of hostleries en route from South Shields had unavoidably detained them.

Saturday morning. We awoke to the screaming wind and Ernie's cheerful face; he having left home at 5 a.m. to join us for breakfast. A discussion revealed some members' doubts as to whether we could make it in a wind which at one time had been rocking the Dormobile. So we decided to launch in Budle Bay and run down to the open sea, gauging conditions as we went. By the time we got afloat, with cameras well waterproofed and flares at the ready, the tide was draining fast out of the bay. A slow run down to the sea, with Don leaping out to chase a seagull with a flatfish, but it was a bit small to share among eight of us!

Then round a bend in the dunes, the sea, all white capped, green and lumpy. Pass the word back to rendezvous beyond the surf line, then heads down and push through it. The first wave got me about midriff and the next head height, and I was through and into deeper water. The group formed up with Jim and me leading, Alan, Don, Eric, behind Derek, Ron and Ian and Ernie acting as whippers-in. Everybody seemed happy so we set a diagonal course for the Inner Farne lighthouse. The waves were slightly on the beam and not too bad, but we were still inside the "fetch" (shelter of the land). After about a mile, short blasts of the whistle brought us back for Ernie who was rapidly becoming waterlogged. It transpired that he had put a hole in her during a bit of bump and scrape in Budle Bay. We ran him into the shore and left him to be met on the return trip. We swung out again, out of the "fetch," and into it properly. One minute you were surfing forward and the next lurching in the trough of a beam sea. About a mile north of Bamburgh, Don and Derek found it too much, and after a quick conference turned back, shortly to be followed by Alan and Eric.

Ian, Jim, Ron and myself got line abreast and pushed ahead. Megstone Island was looming up about 500 metres to port when the wind seemed to freshen. A curler caught me under the armpit, and the next one went slap in my face. Where the Hell are the rest? Jim appears on a wave crest and signals the position of the others who have rafted up. It looks like mutiny, Mr. Christian. Ron and Ian reckon things are getting worse; Jim and I feel they would get worse. The £120 worth of Bolex cine camera in Ron's boat has the casting vote and we turn back. Now

you can see the waves, you know what I mean. Slate grey curlers with wind devils screaming over them. He yawned and punched in lads. "Oh Mrs. Brown I love your daughter." It must be Jim singing; in fact come to think of it I have heard that one line a hundred times. Crash, the bows bounce down the back of the wave and the spray whips into your face. Great, man, you can keep your canals. Slowly we make progress back down Farne Sound to Budle Bay to find the others sprawled out in the dunes having lunch.

Ernie has by this time found the hole and patched it, so we decide to stay with the "fetch" and run up the bay—Skate Road as it is called—to Holy Island, a round trip of about nine miles. After a mile paddle through short steep beam seas I turn back to see what Alan wants and a curler on the beam catches me and in I go. Steam and curses as I roll up dripping. A half mile on, the group splits. The majority go further in for shelter. Ian, Jim and dripping Chris push on, on the same course. The strain of continually crashing through short steep beam seas was beginning to take its toll as we crept across Holy Island harbour and landed under the castle. Much to the relief of a film unit who are busy making an epic of one sort or another there. One wee chap with his sun glasses and muscular torso told us confidentially that they were going to call the life-boat, but having watched us through binoculars decided we knew what we were doing. A happy thought, fame is the spur! Having spread ourselves and the gear out to dry, shouts were heard and Ron and Derek arrived, having crept up the shore out of the wind.

Once the nicotine addicts and the inner man had been sustained we set off back. By this time the tide was flooding and pushing us towards the shore, while the wind, of course, was trying to push us back out. The result was a hard grind with two of the group collapsing on arriving at the camp-site. However, a meal and an extended session at the local hostelry revived them sufficiently to spend until midnight arguing about transit navigation.

Sunday morning and the wind obviously hadn't heard the "met" man's optimistic decreasing forecast. The morning conference was held and the bleary-eyed results of a worthwhile Saturday evening presented their points of view. Yarrugh—no thanks—you're joking, etc., left three of us willing to attempt the crossing. Jim, Ian and myself: so off we went in the "bus" complete with trailer into Bamburgh to launch under the coastguard station. Set your course for the Inner Farne lighthouse which at this point looks so close that you could spit over there. Formation paddling with Jim in the middle and Ian and myself on the outsides. The first half mile was beautiful, the wind at our backs, you hardly need to paddle. Just sit there and be blown over. Then it started to pick up, and off we went, surfing 500 yards on a wave before lurching in the trough, short, steep, but not too bad. Then we had to veer north to make for St. Cuthbert's Sound, the only landing on the island. Stern rudder stroke, surf forward, take this breaker on the beam. Yuck, they seem to be getting steeper, "Oh Mrs. Brown I love your daughter," good old Jim, his



The Stack, Inner Farne

Photo: C. H. Hare

tremendous shoulders swing and chopping through the broken green mass. Ian bobs up close in support. O.K. ? he nods and presses on. Getting closer in now, you begin to feel elated when the backlash of the 90 ft. cliffs hits you. Down the trough of this one, a quick support over the breaking wave and skid down the back. Crikey, look at that puffin go. It skips along the trough of the wave in front of you and jumps over a beam breaker. Arctic terns scream overhead, but you are far too busy to take any notice. Somebody reckons he saw a grey seal. The water gets more confused as the fight across the beam seas into the mouth of St. Cuthbert's Sound progresses. Then all of a sudden it's calm, except for the thousands of terns, puffins etc. wheeling and screaming overhead, and we are in, with everyone down on the landing to watch us arrive. Two of the local fishermen who make a good living from running trippers over to the islands nod as we pull alongside. "It's a bit choppy," one says. "Too flaming right mate, it is." A short chat reveals that the wind should make life rather rough in the mid channel when the tide turns, so we should watch out.

The islands are of course a wild life sanctuary administered by the National Trust and as a result there is a landing fee of 2/6 per head charged. A group of ornithologists who live on there during the breeding season to protect the birds and also to collect the money decide to let us off, as they considered that anyone who paddles over should be allowed on free. Much could be said about this magnificent sanctuary with its bird life, the seals, and the historical interest for it was here that St. Cuthbert spent much of his later years and died here. The restored XIV Century chapel is in itself worth the trip over, but it's the bird life that holds you in the end. Enormous colonies of Arctic Terns, Puffins, with their squat bodies and red parrot-like bills, Kittiwakes, Cormorants. Cameras out, along with about thirty other people we had our fill of birds, sandwiches and sunshine. Reluctantly we decide to run for the mainland instead of crossing Staple Sound to explore the home of the Grace Darling legend, Longstone and Big Harcar.

We run south down Wideopen Gut and turn west for the mainland. Strap me, heads down lads and bray through. White tops creaming down and haystacking with the backlash of the 80 ft. cliffs. Punching into it proves not so bad and we eventually clear the disturbed area and settle down to a steady push through a breaking bow sea. "Oh Mrs. Brown" Jim as usual pushing along in great style. Over the top, slide down the back, the next one breaks over you, and on until the protection of the "fetch." Then close formation and a gentle paddle in to the land under the coastguard station.

Because of shortage of space, Oliver Cock's column has been held over until next issue.

The others, having picked up camp, joined us. Just as we were by this time the only one left in the strength to carry his boat is Jim. However a quick brew of the tar they jokingly call tea, and everybody was sufficiently recovered to swear to have another go, in a few weeks time. Who knows, perhaps then the Churn will perform for us, for here the water rushes through a gap in the rock and is spurted skywards for a distance of some 60 ft. in bad weather. This will not be the last trip this year to the Northumbrian coast and its fascinating islands.



Jim, Ian and Chris on the Inner Farne. In the background, Bamburgh Castle.

COACHING NEWS

EXAMINATION SUCCESSES

Advanced Tests: Inland (Kayak) : B. E. Brown, A. L. Thwaites, S. L. Thwaites, D. Howe, K. Wickham, J. Brown, K. Meldrum, E. Hopper.
Sea (Kayak) : C. H. Hare, T. I. Williams, M. Cooper.

COACHING AWARDS :

Senior Instructors :

J. Law, 18 Kings Head Hill, Chingford, London E.4.
D. F. Capps, Puffins, 9 Mill Ride, Ascot, Berks.
M. R. Newton, 24 King Edward Street, Slough, Bucks.
R. J. Bassett, 6 Hawthorne Close, Maytree Drive, Leicester Forest East, Leicester.

Coach :

D. H. Andrews, 49 Aberdale Road, Leicester.
E. Hopper, 20 Aspin Oval, Knaresborough, Yorks.
Capt. B. A. Brown, Junior Tradesmen's Regt., Clayton Barracks, Aldershot, Hants.

COACHING WEEK-END, 1966

The week-end will again be held at Quorn, near Loughborough. Full details will be given in the Coaching Newsletter but members of the coaching scheme may like to have the dates well in advance . . . the week-end of 26/27 March.

Additions to list of Clubs and Associates

- Arempee C.C.
Cpl. Rees, 78 Almond Avenue, Gelli-Ty-Sign, Risca, Nr. Newport, Mon.
- Barnet Education Committee,
Freirn Barnet Town Hall, London N.11.
- Bristol & District Schools Association
Miss B. Troughton, 21 Richmond Terrace, Bristol 8.
- The Central Club
A. H. Bush, 21 Craven Road, Reading, Berks.
- Cornwall Technical College C.C.
W. R. Holt, Redruth, Cornwall.
- Crewe Teachers Training College
Miss H. Whitfield, Cheshire College of Education, Crewe Road, Crewe, Cheshire.
- Essex Institute of Agriculture C.C.
Writtle, Nr. Chelmsford, Essex.
- Faversham County Secondary School C.C.
M. Courtney, Faversham, Kent.
- 16th Harrow Boy Scouts Group
A. Rake, 13 Crofts Road, Harrow.
- Holmer Green County Secondary School C.C.
Nr. High Wycombe, Bucks.
- Hounslow Education Committee
88 Lampton Road, Hounslow, Middlesex.

- Leeds University C.C.
M. Waite-Wright, 54 Cardigan Road, Leeds 6.
- North-East Canoeing Association
P. Lofthouse, 10 Seamer Grove, Hartburn, Stockton-on-Tees, Co. Durham.
- Northumberland College of Education C.C.
Senior Lecturer in P.E., Northumberland College Ponteland, Newcastle upon Tyne.
- Orwell Canoe Club
C. M. Kempson, c/o 16 Cromarty Road, Ipswich, Suffolk.
- Peckham Manor School C.C.
Peckham Road, London S.E.15.
- Regimental Canoe Club
20th Medium Regt. R.A., Lt. P. J. Cox, R.A., Barnard Castle, Co. Durham.
- Samuel Montagu Boys' Club
Broad Walk, Kidbrooke, London S.E.3.
- Shene Grammar School Canoe Club
Park Avenue, London S.W.14.
- Southampton Town Regatta Committee
Hon. Sec., Room 30, City Engineer's Dept., Civic Centre, Southampton, Hants.
- Sunderland Education Authority
Derwent Hill Centre, Portinscale, Keswick, Cumberland.

- Worcester Training College C.C.
Worcester
- Woking District Youth Committee C.C.
District Youth Officer, 1 Duke Street, Woking.

Alterations

- Leeds Canoe Club
C. McAllister, 11a Springfield Mount, Leeds 2.
- Leicestershire Schools Canoeing Association
All correspondence now to R. J. Bassett.
- Cambridge University C.C.
J. Lees, Peterhouse College, Cambridge.

B.C.U. Canoeing—Additions

OCTOBER

- 17 Junior Chelmer Race. Chelmsford B.C., J. Marriage, Budds Farmhouse, Highwood, Chelmsford, Essex.
- 31 Upper Chelmer Cruise, Chelmsford B.C., as above.
- 31 L.D. Race, B12 P4, Cambridge Univ. C.C., J. Lees, Peterhouse College, Cambridge.

B.C.U. Directory—Amendments

- B.C.U. Holidays—Rodney Baker, 33 Titley Close, London E.4.
- B.C.U. Insurance—Joan Baker, address as above.

Briefly . . .

- There were 500 applications for the 200 places on the Vaux School of Sport held in Durham during July. Bede College is situated in beautiful grounds above the River Wear—the proximity of canoeing facilities made canoeing both a major and a subsidiary sport in each week. The editor had the opportunity of visiting the school, and was impressed by the standard of coaching and the excellence of the facilities available.
- Southern Independent TV has just equipped a permanent Marine Outside Broadcast Unit—a 71 ft. gas turbine powered vessel which will be covering water-sport events around the southern coasts. Organisers of sea canoeing events please note.
- In August last year the *Cambrian News* reported that an "experienced canoeist ventured the rapids of the River Arto and made his breath-taking trip from Gwynfryn to Lismore. This is the first time ever for a canoe to be seen on the river". Mr. J. Ainsworth of Caterham sends a transparency showing a canoeist (blue kayak, yellow life-jacket and helmet) tackling the river in spate. If the canoeist in question cares to write to the editor, the transparency will be sent to him.

- The Northern Ireland boys seem to be very successful in getting their races sponsored. The major canoeing event of the L.D. racing season, the Bann Descent, was sponsored by Coca Cola, and on 3rd July the Milk for Sport Regatta was held, sponsored of course by the Milk Marketing Board.
- Readers of the *Observer* will have been interested to see pictures of canoes in the colour supplement of 18th July, which dealt with "New and Classless Sports". Canoeing publicity seems to be on the increase, and the B.C.U. has recently taken steps to advertise itself by producing a two-colour poster giving information about the Union.
- The Northumberland Beach Rescue Unit is now fully trained, and awaiting the purchase of the canoes. The sea training in canoes has taken some 80 hours of work, and the swimming from Bronze Medallion standard to Life Guard Standard some 20 hours. Each qualified member of the Unit now holds the Sea Proficiency Certificate of the B.C.U., with further training in deep-sea swimmer rescue, and the Bronze Medallion and Life Guard Proficiency of the R.L.S.S. It is the aim of this unit to operate on Druridge Bay, Northumberland, where in August last year, eight people were drowned.

● A recent report suggests a new Inland Waterways system of canals linking Lancashire with the Thames, at a cost of some £400m. Also proposed are links with Newcastle and Southampton, costing perhaps £1m per mile. Dredging of existing canals is foreseen, and the entire network would provide the "cheapest method of transportation known to man", ease congestion on the roads, and become available for "leisure uses".

● On Thursday, 3rd June, we saw the first television pictures of Fyfe Robertson canoeing down the Severn, in the B.B.C. "Tonight" programme. He trained at Plas y Brenin, under the watchful eye of Geoff Blackford, then in a Klepper Aerius descended mild rapids, and paddled a leisurely course in what must have been one of the best boosts to canoeing in recent years.

● In June this year, Scottish canoeists Hamish Gow and his wife Anne made the first crossing from North Uist to St. Kilda, some 54 miles out in the Atlantic. Using a Clyde double fitted with a sail, they took fourteen hours to reach Boreray, a cliff-bound island where it was impossible to land. Because of fog and approaching night, they decided to shelter off the thousand-foot cliffs until morning. Anne slept in her sleeping bag while Hamish kept the canoe upright, but at midnight Hirta became visible, and they set off to paddle the remaining five miles, arriving at 2 a.m. Congratulations on a fine achievement.

● Sella River Race successes! As we go to press, news reaches us that Charles Evans has won the International K1 Class, Jordan and Stevens have come first in the Junior K2 Class, and Oliver and Parker gained seventh place in the Senior K2 section. In the Ladies K1 event, S. Jackson took second place, and to cap it all, Great Britain walked away with the Team Prize. Congratulations on a magnificent performance!

● At the Karlsruhe Regatta, our K4 team (Wilson, Edwards, Palmer, Shenton) were first in the 10,000m. event. Alistair Wilson reached the final of the K1 500m., Marianne Tucker came fourth in the Women's K1 event, and Charles Evans and Tony Sowman were placed eleventh and twelfth out of thirty-five starters in the K1 10,000m.

● Cambridge University Canoe Club will hold a non-ranking L.D. race this autumn, in preparation for a ranking race to be held in the springs of succeeding years. The course runs through Cambridge, past the "Backs," and through the meadows to Grantchester. The curious white contraption which caused a certain amount of eyebrow-raising at Oxford and Bradford L.D. Races, at which it came first and third respectively in Class 3a, is known as the Cam III. It was designed and built from scratch by two club members as an experimental boat to test the construction method and some hydrodynamic speculation. It takes a 14 stone man, and is less stable than the current K1's, stability having been rejected as a design consideration. It is said to be consistently faster than the older generation boats, marginally faster in a sprint than the current boats, but slower over long distances.

Bookshelf

CANOE HANDLING AND MANAGEMENT—(British Canoe Union, 3/-)

This useful handbook has been completely revised this year. Oliver Cock has made many text changes, new sections appear on recovery strokes, sculling and the 'H' method of rescue, out-of-date appellations have been replaced, and there are many new and excellent illustrations. There are new appendices dealing with the B.C.U. Tests and Basic and Advanced strokes. A "must" for novices, and those who like to keep their canoeing library up-to-date will want a copy too.

Rating ★★★★★

A THOUSAND MILES IN THE ROB ROY CANOE—J. McGregor (B.C.U. and Canoeing Publications, 10/6)

A fine reprint of this book which by 1881 had run to thirteen editions. With the author we voyage on the Thames, Meuse, Rhine, Main, Danube, Moselle, Marne, Seine and five other rivers, six lakes and six canals. There are some gripping accounts of descents through rapids and gorges, descriptions of strange encounters with the natives of Europe, and several amusing illustrations. A pull-out map shows the route taken, and an appendix gives a fascinating insight into the canoeing technicalities of the late 19th Century.

Rating ★★★★★

MEN, RIVERS AND CANOES—J. Player (Simondium Publishers Ltd. 25/-)

Ian Player, three times winner of the Maritzburg—Durban Canoe Race, and in 1964 Chief Conservator for Zululand, tells the story of the first canoe journey down the Umsindusi and the forming of the Natal C.C. Here is a canoe book with a difference, for the author is not a mere canoe worshipper, but enjoys canoeing because it brings him of necessity into close contact with nature. It is easy to identify oneself with the author as he canoes past crocodiles, on trips which involve him in considerable personal risk and discomfort. In a lighter vein, there is the strange episode of the competitors in the first Maritzburg—Durban Race who turned up with a basketful of homing pigeons and a canoe with a welded steel frame (weighing 105 lbs., unloaded), built from an unshakable belief that steel is lighter than wood . . .

Rating ★★★

THE SEA IN EDUCATION—(H.M.S.O., 4/6)

This absorbing survey of the development of interest in boat building and the recreational use of water in Educational establishments was published last year. The chapter on boat building is recommended to all organisers, before they start, as is the appendix dealing with safety in sailing boats and canoes. Some examples are given of the treatment of certain classroom subjects so that they reflect the significance of the sea. Recommended particularly to youth organisers and leaders.

Rating ★★★

Secretary's Notes

Subscriptions. Both individual and club subscriptions become due on 1st November, 1965. Any member who has not paid his subscription by 31st January, 1966 is automatically suspended. Included in this issue are the 1966 renewal forms. Please use them NOW. 1966 cards are being issued after 1st September. (Rule 18). Last year over 1,800 reminders had to be sent out at a cost of over £20 in postage alone.

Annual General Meeting, 1966. This will be held in London on Saturday, 29th January. Arrangements have provisionally been made to use the Holland Park School, Airlie Gardens, London W.8., but this will have to be finally confirmed in the December *Canoeing in Britain*.

As usual the technical committees will meet beforehand at about 2.15 p.m. to discuss their work for the year and to elect their officers and to nominate two members each to the Council. For further information ask your club secretary. In addition we have to elect an Hon. Treasurer and five Council members by general vote. Nominations for these elected members and for the Hon. Treasurer must be received by the General Secretary BEFORE 30TH NOVEMBER, 1965 (Rule 62).

1966 Membership Cards. Cards will be coloured as follows :

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Competition organisers will not accept yellow, pink or brown cards after 31st January, 1966.

B.C.U. Supplies. B.C.U. supplies will be closed from 15th October to 1st November for end of year accounting purposes.

Affiliated Clubs. This year affiliated clubs are being asked to state whether they are prepared to provide facilities for :

- Coaching new canoeists over (say) 16.
- Coaching young members over 14.
- Dealing with very young members (under 14).

This is to help us to recommend clubs to parents and young people who write to us for advice. It is hoped that clubs will base any organisation which they have on the existing coaching scheme.

Annual General Meeting

This year's Annual General Meeting will be held in London on Saturday, 29th January, 1966. Notices of Motions for the Agenda and proposals for Council Election must be in the hands of the General Secretary by 30th November, 1965. (Rule 62).

Agenda will be circulated with December *Canoeing in Britain*.

Long Distance Racing, 1965

So far this seasons races have either had record entries or else been rather below the usual numbers of competitors. I feel that there are two main reasons for these figures. The first, where a record entry has been achieved, is because the venue provides an interesting course with a fair number of difficulties and also where the sponsoring club members follow the sport.

The second, where the race has failed to attract more than the usual numbers of canoeists, is because the sponsoring club members do not support other L.D. races and the course is dull, flat and uninteresting.

I would suggest to clubs who have sponsored a L.D. race and been disappointed in the numbers that participated, try changing your course, find one that presents some problems to the canoeist and above all, support other clubs and organisations in their races.

The first National L.D. Championship race under the new rules is to be held on the 10th October, 1965. The River Wye is the venue and we hope to provide those who qualify for entry a really good race. Canoeists who have won a race or attained a place in one and also completed two other courses are eligible to enter. Provisional entries are now being accepted from any paddler qualified or who expects to qualify before the 4th October. Anyone wishing to make an entry should send it to : Mr. N. Barber, 87 Elers Road, Ealing, London W.13.

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UB NEWS



GROUP ONE CANOE CLUB forsook Kayaks and went motor cruising from Thames Ditton to Lechlade in April. "It makes a change from canoeing," wrote secretary Alan Duncan, "And broadens the outlook of members with regard to difficulties experienced by other users of the waterways." How true. Just think how much more tolerant fishermen would be if they had some experience of canoeing, and vice versa.



The CHELMSFORD BOATING CLUB report: "The committee now estimates that the club has entered its last year at its present headquarters—much to the relief of everyone... We can at last look forward to some real canoeing. Arrangements for the move are now being made. The council have now allocated the club a new site—exactly the one the committee wanted! This will be on the north-east side of the River Chelmer... and has a long frontage to a wide and deep stretch of water about 100 yards above the new sluices. There will be an easy portage around these as boat rollers are being provided. The club premises will therefore be once again conveniently sited in relation to the Chelmer and Blackwater Canal, our main canoeing and boating waters. The committee are urgently going ahead preparing plans for the permanent headquarters, and they are still raising money towards it. There will be the Derby Draw, barbecues, jumble sales, etc. Members can help by quoting the club's Co-op number when visiting one of their shops.



On Speech Day, members of the DENSTONE COLLEGE W.W.C.C. gave a very successful display of elementary and exotic strokes and rolls, culminating in David Malby passing a full cup of tea, on a saucer on a tray, under his boat while rolling, and afterwards drinking it.



Six EXETER CANOE CLUB members with their boats instructed forty-eight Sea Rangers, complete beginners to canoeing, on basic techniques at Ashburton Outward Bound School during May. The water was very clear, fresh and cold, as the one capsized could testify. For the first time, membership has risen to over fifty, but they have the problem of finding a new set of premises within two years. In their programme for the year was a Pentathlon, consisting of canoeing, shooting, cross-country, motor-cycling and orienteering which sounds like an exciting idea for any club in need of a new activity.

Capt. H. Gledhill, M.A., E.C., writes, "From now on we are no longer the Junior Leaders of the A.S.C. Canoe Club, but the JUNIOR LEADERS REGT. ROYAL CANOE CLUBS OF TRANSPORT CANOE CLUB, but our interest—L.D. Racing—remains the same. Our most important item of news has been our success in winning the "Soldier Cup" presented by "Soldier" magazine for the Army L.D. Junior Championship; winning five out of eight Junior Classes (there is one for folding doubles which was one by M. P. Courtney and B. Rose). We also won a "highly commended" from the Army Arts and Crafts Exhibition for an angma-salik made by the club in the winter months."

Extensive alterations at the Llandudno Youth Centre, where the CANOEING AND MOUNTAINEERING CLUB has its headquarters, have now been completed, and the canoeing season is in full swing. Since Easter there have been over 400 individual outings by members, all of them on the sea. Humphrey Smith writes, "we have completed six new boats, which brings the total up to sixty-one in the past eight years. Through the efforts of a local Round Table Club, we have been given a genuine Canadian, built at Lakeside, Ontario, with the name of Pocahantos. The folk-singing section of the club continues to flourish, and has a big following at its weekly meet in a local country pub. We have been engaged over the past months in making a 16mm. colour film of our activities and the filming part of this is now almost completed. The sound track will be made on tape in the first case, and will occupy our time in winter."



Seven enthusiastic canoeists and two keen supporters from the LEICESTERSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF CANOEISTS enjoyed a delightful, away-from-it-all holiday in the Isles of Scilly this summer. They started with a coast-hugging trip, landing on one of the sandy and deserted beaches of St. Mary's, where they started changing from white men into shades varying from brown to brilliant scarlet. As the days went by they gained in tan, confidence and fitness, and ventured across the ocean to Tresco, Gugh, St. Agnes, St. Martin, the Eastern Isles and Bryher. The sea was in friendly mood, varying from dead calm to choppy, always changing, and canoeing was exhilarating. John Harrison wrote, "Each headland we rounded brought new vistas of indescribable beauty. We visited the tropical gardens on Tresco, pot-holed in Piper's Hole, felt like Robinson Crusoes on the deserted Eastern Isles, where we were delighted to discover baby seagulls, almost invisible in their 'granite' camouflage, and beautiful coloured seashells." Joy Smith recounts an exercise in tact during a trip on the Teme: "Our stop for lunch got off to a bad start when we encountered an extremely bombastic fisherman who ordered us off the river; we picnicked in the same field as him all the same. On returning to our canoes our secretary David Andrews approached the fellow and began a conversation on the arts of fly-fishing, upon which the fisherman's face changed and he cheerily wished us a pleasant journey."



The ROYAL LEAMINGTON SPA River Avon Race was sponsored by the Royal Dairy Council as part of the Dairy Festival activities at Stratford-on-Avon. Members of the club staged a display of eskimo rolling in the Basin in the Gardens, and this was watched and applauded by a very large crowd. The club also gave a display during July at the opening of the Open Air Pool

of the Leamington Girls' College, and a demonstration of safety and rescue in support of the demonstrations arranged in the Leamington Swimming Baths by the Home and Water Safety Committee which the Town Council has set up.

KING EDWARD VI CAMP HILL SCHOOL CANOE CLUB. The club has this year celebrated its tenth birthday. Meets have been held regularly on Midland waterways and it has proved possible to organise a "White Water Expedition." Competition results have been good, with members winning all the events in the regatta and slalom organised by the Birmingham Schools' Canoe Association. Their team represented the West Midlands in the National Youth Championships and came fourth in the finals at Pangbourne.



Report on TWICKENHAM CANOE CLUB. Interest in C6 and C8 racing continues to equal that in slalom. All the racing boys—and many of the touring types as well—are now equipped with yellow and blue racing vests. The turn-out in the big racing Canadians looks very smart indeed. On Whit Monday, the team took their C6 to the Welsh Harp Regatta, where they came in four seconds

behind Royal in the 1,000m event. They were pleased to hear the



Alan Emus with Shrike III and trophies

The sailing canoes went to Falmouth Harbour for the Royal Canoe Club's Week this year—the championship event for the Class. Racing was ably organised by the Restranguet Sailing Club and although rain and strong winds made for testing conditions right through the week, no racing had to be abandoned. Alan Emus, reigning World and European Champion, took Shrike III to victory in four races and gained second place in the fifth and won the Quincey Cup (awarded on points) and the Sailing Challenge Cup, the premier trophy for canoe sailing. Emus has won the Challenge Cup, seven times in the past eight years, the first helmsman to achieve such a record in the 92 years history of canoe sailing.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

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commentator describe them as "neatly dressed," and were also very grateful for the excellent changing and refreshment facilities. All were full of admiration for the starter who remained alone on his little island in a storm, after the race was over, until he was rescued.

Lake Constance have just finished as we go to press. News has just come through that Alan Emus has retained his World title with 5,225 points, L. Johannsson (Sweden) 4,784 pts. second and John Biddle (G.B.) 4,623 pts. third.

The British team selected to go to Germany are: A. H. Emus, J. A. Biddle, R. Marks, Dr. T. H. Christie, G. Williams and G. R. Smith. The first four are also selected for the team race which follows the Championship.

CANOE WEEK RESULTS

Sailing Challenge Cup: Shrike III (A. H. Emus)
Quincey Cup:

1. Shrike III, 125 pts.
2. Confusion (J. A. Biddle) 118½ pts.
3. Voodoo (R. J. Marks) 117 pts.

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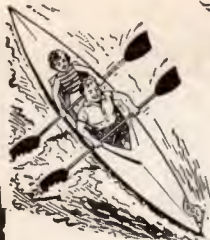
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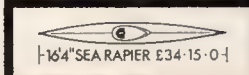
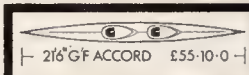
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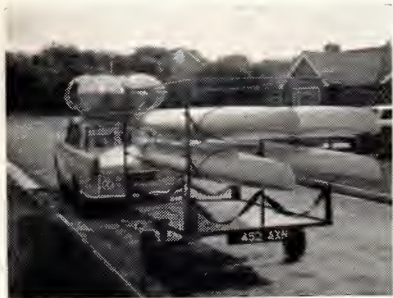
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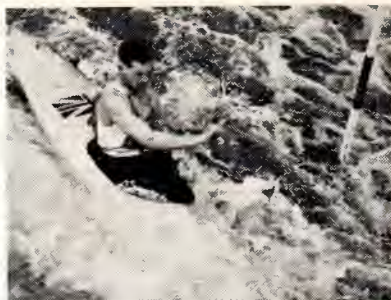
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