CANOE WALES REPORT FOR ACM 25th November 2023



This year has seen a number of races run in Wales with the number of races getting back to normal. A majority of races were well attended but numbers attending are lower than previous years.

The Canoe Wales Slalom Committee AGM was held following the Saturday division 1 race at Llandysul in October. Several committee positions have changed with a new chair person, Vice Chair and Treasurer appointed. We are looking for representatives from all clubs in Wales with an interest in slalom to have a presence on the committee.

The Canoe Wales AGM has been delayed and is now being held in early January 2024.

The Welsh Championships this year was split across two venues – Llandysul and the Tryweryn Premier. It is planned to follow the same format next year of using two venues.

The training structure has been decided for the Winter groups with the initial kick off camp for all groups (Performance, Talent and Regional) having taken place in North Wales. A lot of focus at the camp was on team building.

North Wales Update

North Wales Slalom currently have a membership of 35 paddlers raging from grassroots level through to Premier.

50% of these paddlers are now on the Canoe Wales Slalom programme.

This program consists of Regional, Talent and Performance.

North Wales Slalom is growing each year.

This continued growth is a result of having very good links with the local community and a number of schools and clubs from across North Wales.

Paddlers are coached in all disciplines C1,C2 and K1. Paddlers are also encouraged to go paddling in other areas of the sport such as River running and river play.