

England Canoe Slalom 2019

Pan Celtic

At the start of the year the England Team Manager, Alison Setchell, set about organising the teams. England enjoyed success throughout all legs of the Pan Celtic races and ended up winning the overall competition so congratulations to all paddlers for their valiant efforts.

2019 Pan Celtic Results					
	England	Scotland	Wales	N Ireland	Eire
Scottish Leg	65	61	56	0	0
Welsh Leg	65	52	64	0	0
English Leg	65	56	50	0	3
Total	195	169	170	0	3

English Talent Programmes

2019 was a successful year for Junior athletes within the English programme. 3 Talent Programme athletes were selected to Junior teams across all classes with 15 named as reserves for the Junior World and Junior European Championships. Programme athletes achieved 3 finals across Junior World Champs and Junior Euros. If two athletes had achieved clean runs there was the chance of a 4th finalist and a K1M Euro Bronze medal.

Teams attended 4 ECA/ICF Junior Cup competitions. Cody Brown became U14 K1M ECA Junior Cup Champion alongside 10 athletes in the top 10 of their respective age/events. Additionally, teams attended 2 international 'intro' camps in the South of France and 1 Pre-Worlds camp in Poland; in total 88 athletes across 28 days in Europe.

The programme continues to deliver training camps and race day support domestically, with several Lee Valley camps throughout the winter. Athlete support off the water is equally important and the Talent Parent Programme continues to be developed to provide all-round support.

Athletes, parents and coaches have continued to invest in the sport and have driven the standard and depth of competition on to greater levels this year. Thank you to all the volunteers and supporters that have made this possible.

Athlete Funding

Levies received from races run in England provide funds to assist with race expenses for paddlers selected for Great Britain teams, who are not part of a GB programme. 10 athletes who were successful in the Spring selection series received support in attending U23 & Junior Worlds and Europeans as well as several World Cup races.

Winter Training

Plans are in progress for winter training slots at Lee Valley to support English athletes preparing for the 2020 selection race series.

Dave Spencer (acting Chair)

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