



**British Canoeing Slalom Committee
Timing & Technical Co-ordinator
ACM 2021 Report**



What a season!

A very big **THANK YOU** to all involved in officiating and the technical side of delivering Canoe Slalom in the UK, including:

- clubs, event organisers, paddlers and volunteers who have organised, helped set up, judged and provided timing / scoring at slalom competitions – from opens and division 4s through to Premier races and overseas at international races – for the paddlers throughout 2021;
- Chief Judges and jury members for keeping the events running and in check with the rules;
- Sections Judges and gate judges who continue to demonstrate the highest standard of judging at events in the UK and overseas, and run the gate judging courses at various events;
- members of the Timing Teams for their continued support in providing professional standard timing at the Premier, Division 1 events, and other events such as the Selection and the British Open;
- Dave Spencer for the continued development of SimplySlalom, and
- Nick Penfold, Duncan Berriman, and everyone else who work tirelessly behind the scenes who has helped throughout the 2nd year of the past season!

In the past few months as we have restarted, thank you also to everyone for keeping each other safe as events restarted. It has been great to see paddling and racing return to our rivers and courses, and to catch-up with everyone.

Thank you also to all the new volunteers who have come forward, whether it be to get involved in gate judging, section judging, timing, volunteered at events, many of whom are now regular faces. If you are interested in joining or finding out more, please get in touch (details below and in the yearbook) and/or drop by the scoring office at a Prem / Div 1 race and say hello.

One request for the next season would be that organisers ensure that the Competition Report / Jury Report Form is returned to me as soon as possible after the event – in a number of cases this has not been received. This not only means we don't have the Jury's feedback on certain events / venues, it limits our ability to spot patterns of behaviour and respond to any concerns that may be raised.

I will shortly be publishing an online link to allow people to register interest for online training sessions for gate judging, which I am hoping to hold on a regular basis over the coming months before the 2022 season, as well as registering interest for new sections judges and timing volunteers.

Many thanks,

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