

**CANOE WALES REPORT FOR ACM**  
**26<sup>th</sup> November 2022**



This year has seen a large number of races run in Wales with the number of races getting back to normal. Races have been well attended with only the numbers at the Division 1 events being lower than normal. Water levels have been an issue at some events with the Premier race at the Tryweryn being at risk due to the low water levels in the dam feeding the river.

The Canoe Wales Slalom Committee AGM was held following the Saturday division 1 race at Llandysul in October. The positions on the committee remain unchanged for 2022/23

This year has seen the appointment of Alistair Dickson as CEO of Canoe Wales and following the decision by Tommy Power to stand down as the Performance Manager Nick Fowler-Rimmel has been appointed in the post.

Canoe Wales have recently announced a vacancy for a regional Talent Coach in North Wales to join a successful team.

The Welsh Championships this year was split across two venues – Bala Mill 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 initial camps having taken place at a number of venues.

**North Wales Update**

The number of the training sites continues to develop in North Wales with the upgrade of equipment continuing at various locations.

North Wales has 36 ranked paddlers across all divisions on a structured pathway from grass-root level through to premier with a number of schools and clubs feeding into the programs.

North Wales paddlers have completed 724 race runs, achieved 26 Promotions, have 5 Welsh champions and the youngest paddler (J12) in the UK to be in Div one in both C1 and K1.