



# CANOE'S NEWS

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## ICF Canoe Sprint World Cups 1 & 2 ICF Para-canoe World Championship

The two highlights of the last two weeks of international racing would have to be:

- Scott Martlew's fantastic performance at the ICF Para-Canoe Championships in Poznan, Poland, held the two days leading up the ICF Canoe Sprint World Cup 1; and
- Lisa Carrington's spectacular race in the A final of the K1 200m at the ICF Canoe Sprint World Cup 2.

### Scott Martlew

At a full 4 years younger than any other paddler in the A final, this talented 19 year old raced an amazing race, totally calm and self-composed, to place fifth in the world in the K1 200m event. To be performing at this level of kayaking, just two years after losing his leg to necrotizing fasciitis, is nothing short of remarkable and shows the determination of this exceptional young man. Scott's time of 45.743 was just 2.48 seconds behind the winner Iulian Serban from Romania and 1 second off a podium placing. Scott is certainly fired up for achieving his goal of medaling in the Paralympics in 2016 and has the drive and the potential to do just that!



Scott & Coach Leigh Barker

### Lisa Carrington

It was pandemonium in the stands during the Women's K1 200m A final at the ICF Canoe Sprint World Cup 2 in Germany as New Zealand's Lisa Carrington flew down the course neck in neck with Hungary's three-time Olympic champion Natasa Douchev-Janics. After a stunning battle in the semi-final on Saturday it was obvious this was going to be the race to watch and the pair didn't fail to provide the promised excitement. When the gun sounded Carrington burst out of the blocks and the event very quickly turned into a two-horse race with the two powering through the front of the field. In a camera-finish Janics just managed to beat out Carrington to the top spot by 0.096 seconds, with Australian Alana Nichols a second behind for third. Lisa and Coach Gordon Walker were very pleased with the process and the result.



Lisa on the podium with Natasa Douchev-Janics and Alana Nichols



Teneale & Coach Ian Ferguson

### Teneale Hatton

Another exciting achievement would have to be Teneale's consistent improvement on the World

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### Upcoming Events

#### June-Sept 2012

10km Series:

- Wanganui, 9 June
- Waitemata, 24 June
- North Shore, 7 July
- Waitara, 21-22 July
- Royal Akarana, 29 July
- 10km Champs, Rotorua 8-9 September

Other Events:

- Brass Monkey 7 July – 5 Aug
- Otago Winter Series 10 June, 8 July, 19 Aug, 16 Sept
- The Paddling Project series, 24 June, 29 Jul, 19 Aug, 23 Sept
- Ruamahunga River Race, 2 September

FOR MORE INFO GO TO **EVENTS**  
ON THE WEBSITE

[www.caoeracing.org.nz](http://www.caoeracing.org.nz)



Cup circuit, with strong results throughout all of her races, placing her consistently mid pack and amongst the top 16 world ranked athletes for this event. Whether this is enough for the NZ Olympic Committee to approve her inclusion into the Olympic squad is yet to be determined, but she has certainly done the hard yards in her desire to represent New Zealand in the women's K1 500m in London come August.



*Darryl Fitzgerald & Steven Ferguson*

**Ben Fouhy**

Ben has been training well but had a mixed bag of performances over the last two weekends. His 1000m heats in both World Cups all went according to plan but failed to translate to success in the semis. Ben will now take time to reflect and revisit his approach in his Olympic buildup and will be training in London through to August.

**Steven Ferguson & Darryl Fitzgerald**

This pairing has also improved through their World Cup campaign with their best result in the B final of the K2 1000m at World Cup 2 in Germany where they raced a controlled and well-paced race which earned them a convincing win. They had moved into the front of the race by the 600m mark and were never threatened, winning by 2.1 seconds. This race will provide them with valuable information and confidence in their build up to the London Olympics.

**Erin Taylor & Lisa Carrington**

The B final win for the K2 girls was also a pleasing result especially given that 2 hours before Lisa had her K1 200m race which was necessarily given priority. The team is pleased with the way they've progressed through the World Cup racing and have headed off to Munich ready for the fine-tuning required for London.



*Erin Taylor & Lisa Carrington*

**CRNZ 2012-2013 Key Event Dates**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
<b>June-Sept</b>	CRNZ 10km Series (refer Events tab on website)	<b>27-28 Oct</b>	SI Regatta, Twizel
<b>27 July – 12 August</b>	Olympic Games, London (kayak racing is 6-12 August)	<b>8-9 Dec</b>	Blue Lake 2, Rotorua
<b>8-9 Sept</b>	10km Champs, Rotorua	<b>15-17 Feb 2013</b>	Canoe Sprint Champs (Nationals) Rotorua
<b>19-23 Sept</b>	World Marathon Champs, Rome	<b>16 Feb 2013</b>	Sports & Recognition Awards, Rotorua
<b>13-14 Oct</b>	Blue Lake 1, Rotorua		

*Note: Altered 10km Champs date now 8-9 September at Lake Okareka, Rotorua.*

**Remaining Kayak Crazy10km Series Dates**

Don't miss out on being part of the series which culminates in the 10km Champs 8,9 September in Rotorua. Your two best results in the series plus results from the champs, will count towards your final points. Full details <http://canoeracing.org.nz/home-1/events>

Sat 9 June, Wanganui  
Sun 29 July, Royal Akarana

Sun 24 June, Waitemata  
Sun 19 Aug, Waitemata

Sat 7 July, North Shore  
8-9 September, Champs, Rotorua

21-22 July, Waitara, New Plymouth

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## New Sports Development Co-ordinator

It is with pleasure that we announce that Debora Marras has accepted the one year fixed term role of Sport Development Co-ordinator with Canoe Racing NZ. Deb will start with us on 23 July 2012 after she returns from Europe where she is undertaking further Officials training at the European Championships

Deb is well known to the kayak community as one of our most qualified Officials, Official of the Year 2012, a North Shore Canoe Club member and a voluntary coach. She also has a high performance paddling history having been a member of the Italian national team for six years. Deb brings excellent organizational skills, project management experience and relationship building ability to the role.

Debora's focus in her role this year will be on working with the clubs, organizing and running the development camps and developing a schools programme.

Please join us in welcoming Deb to the CRNZ Team.



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## 2012 Marathon Championship

Held 14-15 April, Porirua Harbour, Mana

Mana Kayak Racing Club hosted the 2012 NZ Kayak Marathon Championship and whilst the day dawned fine with no wind there was certainly a breeze by race time and throughout the race. The course was set in the Porirua Harbour with the first part of 4km lap into the wind and then to more sheltered flatter water to a turn and then retracing back to the start finish area enabling paddlers to have a trailing wind up the harbour. Numbers were good with over 50 paddlers entered throughout classes spanning U14 through Masters with a Recreational category for those wanting to come and experience the race but not paddle the full distances.

The Open categories are the most anticipated and Open Mens was a strong field that provided some exciting marathon racing. Initially a group of Marty McDowell, Glenn Muirhead, Ryan Welch, Sam Newlands, Adam Fraser and James Feathery established a good pod and all came to the first lap together but as the race progressed McDowell, Muirhead and Feathery were able to establish a break on the others and maintain this over the next five laps. The critical lap was lap six and McDowell managed to put distance on Muirhead at the portage and hold that advantage right through to the finish to take the title whilst Muirhead was able to hold out Feathery for second and third respectively. For McDowell this is his third national title for 2012 with national titles at waka ama and surf lifesaving nationals also, a great season paddling. Muirhead and Simon McLaren were both entitled to paddle Masters categories but showed their ability in the open field.

The Open Women's field was light on numbers and Marianne Archer took this win to make it five in a row but she was pushed and eventually passed by very impressive masters women Andrea Bunn from Waitara. Andrea has a great pedigree in paddling in England and it was great to see her competing at marathon nationals.

Age groups were well represented - Tess Allen from Mana and Jordan McLaren, WCMS, winning U14, Jessica Blair down from Karapiro and Toby Brooke Wanganui winning U16. Ria Pollock from Arawa was a very impressive performance in taking the U19 Women's race and equally impressive Trent Shields for the U19 Men.



Masters categories covered just under half of the entrants and there was some great racing in here. Ben Bennett of Hawkes Bay and Keith Alderson from Arawa, in their 55+ category, were home 1st and 3rd respectively overall in the Masters section with Paul Randall splitting them to take the 35-44 section. Local paddler Sandy Winterton took line honours in the 45-54 category.

Full results and report on Sunday's K2 racing can be found on the website under "news".



The Project Litefoot Charitable Trust is led by Michael Campbell and six other sports heroes - Conrad Smith, Brendon McCullum, Evers-Swindells, Barbara Kendall and national surfing champion Daniel Kereopa. Since 2008 they've been competing against each other to see who can reduce their environmental impact the most. Off the back of their leadership, their mission is to inspire NZ'ers to be environmental champions.

Litefoot's lead initiative is called LiteClub - it's a programme designed to help community sports clubs reduce their environmental impact. The LiteClub team visits clubs and installs energy efficient lightbulbs, insulation and water saving devices. There are 120 clubs in the programme so far. LiteClub has collectively saved these clubs +\$270,000 - more money for sport! It's an entirely free service made possible by funding from Ministry for the Environment, ASB Community Trust and The Lion Foundation.

LiteClub also creates an opportunity for clubs to raise money. Through LiteClub's partnerships with providers of energy efficient equipment (lightbulbs, insulation etc), LiteClub and sports clubs can work together to offer club members these products and services for their own homes. For each purchased product or service, the providers will make a cash donation to that member's club.

Canoe Racing NZ is a strong supporter of the LiteClub programme. We encourage our clubs to sign up to the programme. You can do so right now at [www.liteclub.org](http://www.liteclub.org)



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#### THE PROGRAMME

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#### TAKING PART

Simply call us on 09 269 1160 to register your club. We will email you a catalogue of products you can promote to your club and we will also send you some posters to put up around your club.

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2. To receive these deals and to ensure your club gets the rebate your club members will need to show their membership card or let us know the membership number when placing an order.

All our products can be viewed on our website at [www.allpower.co.nz](http://www.allpower.co.nz).

## A note from the CEO

**Olympics** The year is flying and it is now only 57 days until the Olympics start and 67 days until the start of the canoe sprint racing on 6 August 2012. What an incredibly exciting year for our sport with five athletes already selected to race and the possibility of Teneale Hatton also going.

**PR** We are using the services of Fiona Fenwick for Communications Support in our buildup to the Olympics. The purpose of a

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**Spectacular  
achievements are  
always preceded by  
unspectacular  
preparation.**

~ Roger Staubach

(Hall of Fame Football Player)

structured media approach is to positively raise the profile of the sport with the view to attracting sponsorship. So far we have had a lot of really positive media. This has been generated from a meet the Olympian's media lunch and the official NZOC announcement, which untraditionally offered the media an opportunity to stay upright in a kayak. Hopefully you have seen some of the media on Deaker, Good Morning TV, Code Maori TV, Radio Sport and in print. We have also had some cool professional posters printed and will be distributing these through various channels including our clubs shortly.

### Board/Strategy

The Board held a strategy weekend in mid-April at which they started the process of developing a Whole of Sport Strategy for the next four years. The Whole of Sport Strategy will drive the high level direction of the sport for the next four years in its three areas of business - High Performance, Sport Development and Sustainability.

### Funding

In parallel to the Board strategy process a high performance working group led by our High Performance Manager Grant Restall are developing a 2020 Canoe Sprint High Performance Plan. The Plan will be presented to High Performance Sport NZ in November when we apply for high performance investment for the next Olympiad.

We continue to actively pursue sponsorship in a challenging environment.

We are lucky to be very well supported by gaming trusts. Thanks to NZ Community Trust who have funded our Sport Development Co-ordinator position. It is very important for our sport to have someone working with and supporting our clubs while driving the development of our sport.

Thank you to First Sovereign Trust, Pub Charities and Cue Sports who have all contributed to our U23/U18 Europe Campaign this July. Without this support it would have been difficult to send this team of talented young athletes overseas to gain valuable international experience. Thanks to Alan Thompson who has done the planning and organisation of the campaign as Programme Leader/Team Manager. Thanks also to Leigh Barker and Gavin Elmiger who so willingly give their time as coaches.

Thanks to all those who supported Scott Martlew's paracanoe campaign including Paralympics, Canterbury Community Trust, Parafed Canterbury and Mark Stewart a well-known Cantabrian businessman and philanthropist. Leigh Barker has also voluntarily coached and managed Scott's campaign.

Some of you may have heard of the Flavell Bill which is currently before the Select Committee in Parliament and may be back for Parliamentary vote before the end of the year. If passed this Bill would fundamentally change the way gambling monies are distributed in New Zealand. The main change will be that monies will be distributed by local councils in future and there will no longer be any need for gaming trusts. Canoe Racing NZ is part of a National Sports Organisation Leadership Group who will be taking advice and making a submission on the Bill. I will keep you posted!

### Functions

In April I attended the 2017 World Masters Games function. The 2017 World Masters Games are to be held in Auckland and will attract approximately 25,000 competitors. Canoe sprint and canoe marathon will both be raced at the Games and are likely to be held on Lake Pupuke in conjunction with the rowing. Planning is underway now for this event.

I also attended the PM Scholarship function in Wellington hosted by Silver Ferns. Katrina Grant and Joeline Henry. William Wilkins and Jasper Bats received their scholarships at the function. Somehow I managed to get seated at the head table with John Key the Prime Minister. Needless to say he has a much higher awareness and appreciation of the sport of kayaking now. Overall it was a really good evening and I was buoyed by the PM's commitment to sport in NZ and supporting talented young athletes.

Hopefully you are all avoiding the winter colds and flu's as the temperatures drop. Please feel free to contact me anytime.

Paula Kearns

**CEO**