



Cameraman's Dope Sheet

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SUBJECT **GLYMPIC GAMES - TRIALS FOR BRITISH CANOEING TEAM**
PLACE **HENLEY - ON - THAMES** DATE **17 & 18th MAY 1952**

Cameraman **Kenneth Gordon** Recordist **_____** Footage Shot **1000**

WHO ELSE COVERED **L.B. MARSA NIER ONLY.**
Say if sound or silent **_____**

LIST OF SHOTS **UNLOADING CANOES INTO RIVER.**

BILL YOUNG

PROUT BROS:

RAY PARKER & GRAHAM PALMER

DAVID COOK & CLIFF LINE

GEOFF COLLYER

DAVID COOK & CLIFFLINE

GENERAL VIEW OF CAMP IN WHICH COMPETITORS LIVE OVER THE WEEK-END

FOOD MAN G.E. CHAMBERS SKIPPING

RACER FINISH KAYAK PAIRS. 1ST HEAT 1,000 METERS
1ST GRAHAM PALMER & RAY PARKER 4TH 29 SES.

KAYAK SINGLES. 1ST GEOFF COLLYER. 5TH 13 SES.
2ND STAN SPEEL. TECHNICOLOR.

Was there anything unusual about the story?
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WHO ELSE COVERED Say if sound or silent:					
LIST OF SHOTS KAYAK PAIRS 2nd HEAT					
BEN GILKS & JIM MACDONALD. 4^{min} 53 sec.					
COOK & LING 2nd.					
CANADIAN CANOE SINGLES.					
GERALD MARCHANT 1st 6^{min} 31 sec. (retaken & camera slow)					
LADIES 500^{metres} KAYAK SINGLES					
1st SHIRLEY ASCOTT 2^{min} 57 sec.					
Relake CANADIAN CANOE SINGLES					
GERALD MARCHANT. 1st.					
1st in Jujuro. SHIRLEY ASCOTT					
" " GERALD MARCHANT.					
SPOTS OF WILD WATER REGATTA.					
THE CANOE SLOLOM AT MARSH WIER.					
VARIOUS SHOTS OF ABOVE					

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HAMPSTEAD 2019 (Evening)

Another Wild Water Regatta on the Thames

A Canoe Slalom at Marsh Weir near Henley
Sunday 18th May - 9.30 AM - 5.00 PM.

Whilst Britains top racing canoeists meet for their first full-scale Olympic trials over the Regatta course at Henley (May 17th - 18th) the white water enthusiasts stage another canoe slalom at Marsh Weir just above Henley (on May 18th). It can be expected that this regatta, organised by the Royal Canoe Club, will turn out to be the same spectacular event as the recent Shepperton slalom of the Canoe Fellowship.

A novelty of the event is that for the first time also canoeists in canadian canoes will enter. The Marsh Weir slalom is the last regatta before the British Canoe Slalom Championships which will be held Whitsunday June 2nd at Builth on the Wye.

Further information can be obtained from H. Thelen at the above address - or at Marsh Weir next Sunday.

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Canoeing and the Olympic Games

The first of the full-scale Olympic trials to select the team which will represent Britain in the canoeing events of the Olympic Games at Helsinki will be held next weekend over the Regatta course at Henley. Headquarters will be in the enclosure of the Henley Royal Rowing Club. The races over the short distances will be held Saturday, May 17th, at around 6 PM, and the long distance races the following morning at about 9.30 AM. - The next trials will be held June 7th and 8th after which a provisional Olympic team including reserves will be selected. The final trials are on June 28th.

Olympic events in canoe racing are the 1,000 and 10,000 metres in both single and two seater kayaks as well as canadian canoes. For women there is only one event: the 500 metres single seater kayak. As many as 19 nations, including possibly the Russians, are expected to enter at Helsinki. Further information can be obtained from the above address.

The British canoeing team for this year's Olympic Games will be the best which ever has been sent from this country to an international competition. In the 1948 Games our best effort was a sixth place in the 1,000 metres single seater canadian canoe race. But ever since canoe racing in Britain has made considerable progress. New names of promising racing canoeists have come into the foreground, and their technique, as the result of hard work and long term planning, has reached the stage where we can take up the challenge from other canoe racing nations.

Preparations for the 1952 Games began as early as in spring 19

1951 when promising British canoeists were given a course in the latest racing technique by Hans Berglund, a Swedish canoeist who gained a Gold Medal in the 48 Games. Last autumn the Clubs of the British Canoe Union nominated their best performers - about 30 of them - for a week of special training, again under Hans Berglund. During the past winter river training every week-end has been supplemented by weekly sessions in a gymnasium with expert advice on getting and keeping fit. With the approach of spring and better weather conditions water training was intensified. Over several week-ends candidates for Helsinki raced on the Welsh Harp in the north of London. Over Easter they were collected in a training camp on the Upper Thames.

The first Olympic trials will be held Saturday-Sunday May 17th-18th over the Olympic course at Henley. After these and the following trials (June 7th-8th and June 28th-29th) the times will be compared with the 1948 Olympic times and orders, and the selection committee will get a shrewd idea of our chances this year.

Some of the people who on the basis of their previous performances deserve to be watched - though it is dangerous to make forecasts at this stage and such can happen in the coming months - are:

Geoff Colyer, 23, an apprentice dental mechanic, member of the Royal Canoe Club, who took up canoeing just over a year ago. So swift was his progress that a few months later, in July, he won the British 10,000 metres championships in the the kayak single seater class, beating the previous best time in this country by about three minutes.

Ray Parker, in his late twenties, an income-tax employee, member of Richmond Canoe Club, who for the last two years, sticking to a strict training schedule, has been training six days a week. His best distance is 10,000 metres.

Graham Palmer, quantity surveyor, member of the Royal Canoe Club - he is also a handicap four golfer - who, together with Parker, entered the pair event of the International Canoe Regatta over 10,000 metres at Namur in Belgium on May 4th and, against the best team of Holland, Belgium and France, ~~placed~~ was placed ~~fourth~~ fourth - only 22 second after the winner.

Other "dark horses" are:

Cambridge student Felix Mann, who is reading medicine at Christ College. His was the first racing kayak to appear on the Cam. - Bill Young, a more veteran paddler, a Hergate schoolteacher, who won the 500 metres British championships last year and is now concentrating on two-seater-work. - Ben Gilkes, a new-comer is likely to be paired with Jimmy MacDonald, tall and lanky reporter on a financial paper. - The famous Frouth brothers, main spring of the Canvey Island Canoe Club. - in the canadian class we have Gerald Marchant who for more than three years has been training extremely hard for the Games. He threw up his job two years ago and became a lumberjack in Richmond Park - to keep himself fit. He did extremely well in an informal trial run over 10,000 metres some weeks ago, beating the last Olympic time by about three minutes and coming within half a minute of the 1950 World Championships time which was made on still water under ideal conditions.