



August 22, 2008

Mr. Simon Toulson  
Secretary General  
International Canoe Federation  
Avenue de Rhodaine 54  
1007 Lausanne, Switzerland

Dear Simon:

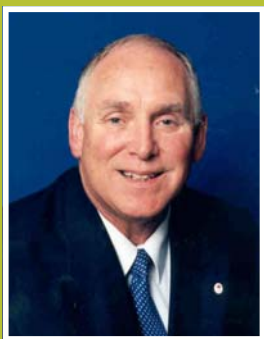
CanoeKayak Canada is pleased to nominate Mr. Frank Garner as the Chairman of the ICF Flatwater Racing Committee. Mr. Garner has effectively contributed to the work of the ICF Flatwater Racing Committee since 1994 and is highly regarded for his strong technical knowledge and expertise in flatwater canoeing. Mr. Garner's experience and leadership skills make him an excellent candidate to lead the Flatwater Racing Committee as Chairman for the next four years.

Mr. Garner's biography is attached. Your assistance in distributing this document to the ICF Member Federations and ICF Board of Directors is greatly appreciated.

CanoeKayak Canada extends our gratitude to the ICF member federations for their consideration and support of this nomination.

Sincerely,

Anne Merklinger  
Director General  
CanoeKayak Canada



# FRANK GARNER

## Chairman Flatwater Racing Committee NOMINEE

Dear Friends,

I have always believed in strong LEADERSHIP and its importance and role in effective sport organizations. Successful clubs and member federations have good coaches, good athletes, dedicated officials and excellent administrators.

Strong leaders have the vision, energy and creativity to develop sport to the highest levels of excellence. This includes hosting the world-class competitions that promote the sport and bring international recognition to the host country and to all federations of the ICF.

There has been a substantial increase in the number of member federations in the ICF and we must ensure that all member federations continue to grow and develop in the years to come. We must also provide guidance to struggling member federations and assist them in increasing the number of participants in all canoeing disciplines.

The ICF must aid in the development of the next generation of leaders through special education programs. These programs should include technical seminars and domestic and regional workshops. I believe in the sharing of written material and verbal expertise in all special education and have experienced first hand the tremendous benefit that results. The sharing of successes within our member federations with those just developing is essential to the continued growth of our sport.

My experience as an official's trainer and examiner as well as an event organizer has taken me to the following countries: Mexico, USA, Puerto Rico, Brazil, Argentina, Great Britain, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Spain, Italy, France, Poland, Japan, Australia, Greece and China.

I am dedicated to ensuring that canoeing's future in the Olympic Games is secure. I am also a devoted family man with three lovely daughters. My wife, Paula, and I are enjoying watching our grandchildren grow.

I would be happy to discuss my vision and ideas with you at any time. If elected, I will work to continue to make our sport the very best it can be.

I hope I can count on your support.  
Yours in Canoeing,



### ATHLETE

- C2 Bronze Medal, Duisberg, Germany, European Junior Championship, 1962
- National Champion, 1961-1969 (C1, C2, C4, C15)
- Masters Competitor

### COACH

- Club Coach, 1964-1979 (National Champions, 1977)
- National Team Coach, 1972-1979
- Coach, World & International Competitions, 1974-1984
- Head National & Olympic Team Coach, 1980-1984
- Coach, Olympics, Montreal, 1976
- Coach, Olympics, Moscow, 1980 (Canada boycotted)
- Head Coach, Olympics, Los Angeles, 1984 (2 Gold, 2 Silver & 2 Bronze)
- Master Course Conductor, Canoe Technical Level 3 & Theory Level 3

### ADMINISTRATIVE & COMMITTEE

- ICF Flatwater Racing Committee, 1994-2008
- CKC High Performance Committee, 1986-2008
- General Manager, Canoe '09 & Canoe '97 (World Senior Canoe Championships, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, 1997 & 2009)
- Technical Chairman, World Junior Canoe Championships, Dartmouth, Nova Scotia, 1989

### OFFICIATING

- ICF Official, 1995-2008
- Chief Official, Canadian Canoe Trials, 1986-2008
- Official, World Championships, 1991-2008
- Chief Official, Olympic Games, Sydney, Australia, 2000
- Chief Official, Olympic Games, Athens, Greece, 2004
- Chief Judge, Olympic Games, Beijing, China, 2008

### GENERAL AWARDS, CITATIONS

#### & OTHER COMMITTEES

- Inductee, Canadian Olympic Hall of Fame (Canoeing)
- Inductee, Nova Scotia Sport Hall of Fame (Canoeing)
- Inductee, Saint Mary's University Hall of Fame (Football)
- "B" Member, Canadian Olympic Association, 1988-2008
- Executive Committee Member, 2002 Royal Bank Cup, National Junior "A" Hockey Championship, Halifax, Nova Scotia
- Executive Committee Member, 2003 IIHF World Junior Hockey Championship, Halifax, Nova Scotia
- Executive Committee Member, 2003 IATA World Theatre Congress & Festival, Halifax, Nova Scotia
- Executive Committee Member, 2004 IIHF World Women's Hockey Championship, Halifax, Nova Scotia

