

BRIAN CHAPMAN

PROPOSED CANDIDATE FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE ICF MARATHON COMMITTEE



Personal Details:

DoB: 4 December 1958

National Federation: British Canoeing - GBR

Occupation: Retired (former Management Consultant)

Aims & Objectives

I would seek to continue to support the organisation of international marathon competitions as an active member of the ICF Committee, during the preparation phase and also during the competitions as required by the Chair of the Committee.

I would also expect to contribute to the further development of marathon canoeing through development of the international rules and support of future organisers as they develop their plans, including the inevitable rebuilding of aspects of the sport following the current global health crisis.

Sport Information

ICF Background

I have been a qualified ICF Marathon ITO since 1997 and actively involved in this role at competitions around the world since then. In recent years I have had responsibility for aspects of the sports presentation management at events, working with the local TV / Livestream production companies to optimise the quality of the coverage they provided. This role also involved drafting the sport presentation section of the event organiser's handbook and also inputting to other sections of this document.

Since Mr Jorn Cronberg became unwell in 2018 I have worked closely with his deputy as chair of the ICF Committee (Ruud Heijlsar) supporting and assisting in preparations for the international competitions and as deputy chief official or chief course umpire at all European competitions held in Europe in 2018 and 2019. These roles have included supporting the development of less experienced ITOs who have generally expressed appreciate for my input.

Over the past winter I have contributed as a member of a small sub-committee tasked with drafting revisions to the international rules which have now been approved by the ICF board.

Domestic Paddling Background

Canoeist since secondary school (1970s) with a competition background in Slalom (Div 1), White Water Racing (Div A) and Marathon (Div 3) and international experience as a

member of Scottish Teams in White Water Racing and Marathon and as Team manager on several International Trips in these same disciplines.

Involved in committees and board of Scottish Canoe Association (SCA) for over 40 years and experience as a director of BCU from April 1994 to January 2013, including as Chair from January 2002 to January 2013. I am the current Chair of the SCA Board.

I have been the SCA representative on the British Marathon Racing Committee for many years, interacting with the committee meetings either by correspondence or in-person as appropriate for the business under discussion.

I have also been a member of the SCA Marathon Committee and organiser of many marathon events over the past 30 years.

Career Background

Through my previous employment as a director in KPMG with responsibility for a global service line active in 32 countries I have experience of working in overseas, multi-language and multi-cultural environments to ensure cooperation and achievement of common goals. This experience has already proved useful in working with international canoeing event organisers and participants and I would expect it to continue to be so if I am appointed to this position.