

Paddle UK Marathon Racing Committee

Selection Note for the World Games, European Championships and Sanabria 2025

Following the conclusion of the April & May assessments, the Selection Committee met to select the teams for the World Games, European Championship, including the Para Demonstration event, and the Sanabria K4. The Selection Committee would like to thank Reading Canoe Club and Nottingham Kayak Club for hosting the K2/C2 and K1/C1 races respectively. These were both exceptionally well organised events. The Short Course Nationals, held at Peterborough, was also used to inform these selections, which was another excellent event.

The World Games team was selected from the fastest SMK1 and SWK1 from the K1 assessment. Following this, the Europeans team was selected. A total of 24 athlete spaces were budgeted for across all classes, 5 were filled by the Para Demonstration team and 19 by the Championship team. These athletes were selected via first past the post and bench marking as per the policy. Not all athletes selected made the minimum performance standard but in the absence of the development trips of Waterland and a European World Cup in 2025, discretion for the final boats selected was applied in pursuit of long-term athlete development.

Finally, the Sanabria K4 was selected. For the SWK4, this was selected from the fastest K2s not selected for the Europeans. For the SMK4, the lead assessment of the K2 was used with supporting evidence from the Short Course Nationals.

We would like to congratulate the athletes on their selections to their respective teams.

WORLD GAMES

China, 10th – 11th August

| SMK1 | SWK1 |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| James Russell (CLM) | Melissa Johnson (NOT) |

TEAM FOR 2025 EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Porto, Portugal, 3rd – 8th June

| Class | Singles LC | Singles SC | Doubles |
|--------------|---|---|---|
| SMK | James Russell (CLM) Matt Johnson (NOT) | James Russell (CLM) Charlie Smith (NOT) | James Russell (CLM) / Charlie Smith (NOT) Joe Enoch (NOT) / Sam Cribbett (NOT) |
| U23MK | Joe Enoch (NOT) Harry Freeland (ELM) | | |
| SWK | Melissa Johnson (NOT) | Melissa Johnson (NOT) Jessie Urquhart (NOT) | Katie Brookes (RIC) / Elise Montagna (ROY) Jessie Urquhart (NOT) / Brynde Kreft (FOX) |
| U23WK | Katie Brookes (RIC) Elise Montagna (ROY) | | |
| JMK | William Short (ELM) Alex Worgan (RIC) | William Short (ELM) Alex Worgan (RIC) | Will Short (ELM) / Alex Worgan (RIC) |
| JWK | Dianora De Billo (ROY) Kamila Sklenarova (NOR) | Dianora De Billo (ROY) Kamila Sklenarova (NOR) | Kamila Sklenarova (NOR) / Frankie Scrivener (FOX) Sophie Dunlop (ELM) / Matilda Burton (ELM) |
| SWC | Beth Gill (NOT) | Beth Gill (NOT) | |

| Class | Men | Women |
|------------|-----------------|-------|
| KL2 | Jon White (EXE) | |

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| KL3 | Tim Lodge (WEY) Finlay Stallard (FLA) | Charlotte Creamer (LBZ) |
| VL2 | Shaun Cooke (NOR) | |

TEAM FOR 2024 SANABRIA K4

Sanabria, Spain, 5-6th July

| Class | Crews |
|-------|---|
| WK4 | Nerys Hall (WEY), Beth Perry (SOU), Matilda Enoch (NOT), Mollie Ball (DEV) Non travelling reserve: Sienna Payne (CLM) |
| MK4 | James How (NOR), Arthur Morley (WEY), Matthew Collinge (FOY), Joe Peterson (BAN) Non travelling reserve: Flynn Holt (RIC) |

REQUESTS FOR REVIEW

As per the 2025 Selection Policy (published [here](#)), any requests to review the selections must be made in writing to the Chair of the Selection Committee, Nanette North at Marathon Selectors marathon.selectors@vol.paddleuk.org.uk within 48 hours of the publication of this document, i.e. by 5pm on Thursday 8th May 2025.

Kat Wilson, on behalf of the Selection Committee

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