

SCA report to SAPOE

Report for meeting – December 2022



1. January 2023 will see the launch of the new [Stand Up Paddleboard Instructor](#) award; the only regulated qualification in the UK and designed for instructors leading taster sessions in SUP.
2. The [Paddlesport Safety and Rescue Course](#) will also be introduced and replace the Foundation Safety and Rescue.
3. During the summer we launched [SUP Safer](#) and [Paddle Safer](#) - safety focused courses for the beginner market. These are available for delivery by a wide range of coaches, including through some SAPOE connected centres and organisations
4. The [British Canoeing Delivery Partner](#) scheme continues to build with 95% renewal in year 2. The second [Delivery Partner Conference](#) will take place on 26th January 2022 and is open to both Delivery Partners and non Delivery Partners
5. 2022 has seen strong achievements in qualifications and training, with nearly 400 new Paddlesport Instructor completions, 90 Coach Awards
6. We continue to offer a comprehensive programme of [Online Activities](#) on a wide range of paddling topics, most of which are available free to members or small contribution for non members and also offer CPD points.
7. Data received through the Watersports Survey shows 583k adults resident in Scotland paddled in 2021 with 174k taking part more than 3 times in the year. This represents around 12.8% of the population and is a significant increase on previous years.

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