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Over 90 participants for the debut of Stand Up Paddling at 2020 Singapore Canoe Marathon

Singapore, 19 January 2020 – The 2020 Singapore Canoe Marathon (SCM), Singapore's largest annual canoeing event, returned for its 18th edition on 19 January 2020 (Sunday), 8am to 6.30pm, at the Water Sports Centre, Singapore Sports Hub.

This year's Marathon saw over 750 participants embarking on a new route to Marina Bay, featuring over 60 categories ranging from distances 6km to 30km. Over 90 paddlers participated in the debut of the Stand Up Paddling races.

Participants from Hong Kong, Indonesia, Macau, Spain, Taipei, and Thailand also joined in the excitement of the Marathon this year.

In collaboration with People's Association and ActiveSG, the Marathon featured the new event categories, the PAssion Family Race and ActiveSG Community Race.

Mr Baey Yam Keng, Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Culture, Community and Youth & Ministry of Transport, graced the Marathon as the Guest-of-Honour. He flagged off the PAssion Family Race, which featured parents and their children paddling together in the 1.5km race.

Adviser of Singapore Canoe Federation, Minister for Social and Family Development & Second Minister for National Development, Mr Desmond Lee joined the participants in paddling the ActiveSG Community Race, featuring participants of all ages experiencing the fun in recreational canoeing.

Adviser of Singapore Canoe Federation, Senior Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs & Ministry of National Development, Ms Sun Xueling was the medal presenter at the prize presentation.

The winners for the Senior categories (K) are as follows:

Senior Men 30KM K1

Gold – Teo Guang Yi Lucas Silver – Cheung Tsz Chung Bronze – Lee Wei Liang Bill

Senior Men 30KM K2

Gold – Benjamin Lee Wen Qian & Nicholas Ho Jun Wen Silver – Seow Weijun Julian & Jack Benjamin Smith Bronze – Mervyn Hong & Chathura Vishwanath Jayaratne



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Senior Women 24KM K1

Gold – Angelica See Rui Xiao Silver – Leow Jing Yi Bronze – Angelia Tan Lian Kee

Senior Women 24KM K2

Gold – Tan Xiao Wei & Ho Qian Wen Silver – Xenia Ong Wan Qi & Janice Lam Qian Ping Bronze – Yoong Hui Ling Denise & Siew Li En Dana

About Singapore Canoe Federation

The Singapore Canoe Federation (SCF) was founded in 1971 and is the National Sports Association responsible for the management, coordination, development and promotion of canoeing in Singapore. It represents the interest of its athletes and members to Sport Singapore (Previously known as the Singapore Sports Council), the Singapore National Olympic Council (SNOC), the public and other International Canoeing bodies.

The SCF aims to promote opportunity for public participation in a full range of canoeing activities in Singapore with high standards of safety. Among other things, the SCF aspires to:

- Nurture and prepare its elite and potential elite athletes to medal at the SEA Games, Asian Games and other regional/international competitions.
- Uphold high standards of sportsmanship.
- Champion the development and enjoyment by the public of all canoeing disciplines in Singapore.
- Develop and promote Singapore as a venue of choice for regional/international canoeing championships/events.

The SCF is affiliated to the International Canoe Federation (ICF), the Asian Canoe Confederation (ACC), SNOC and the People's Association (PA). For more information, please visit <u>www.scf.org.sg</u>.

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