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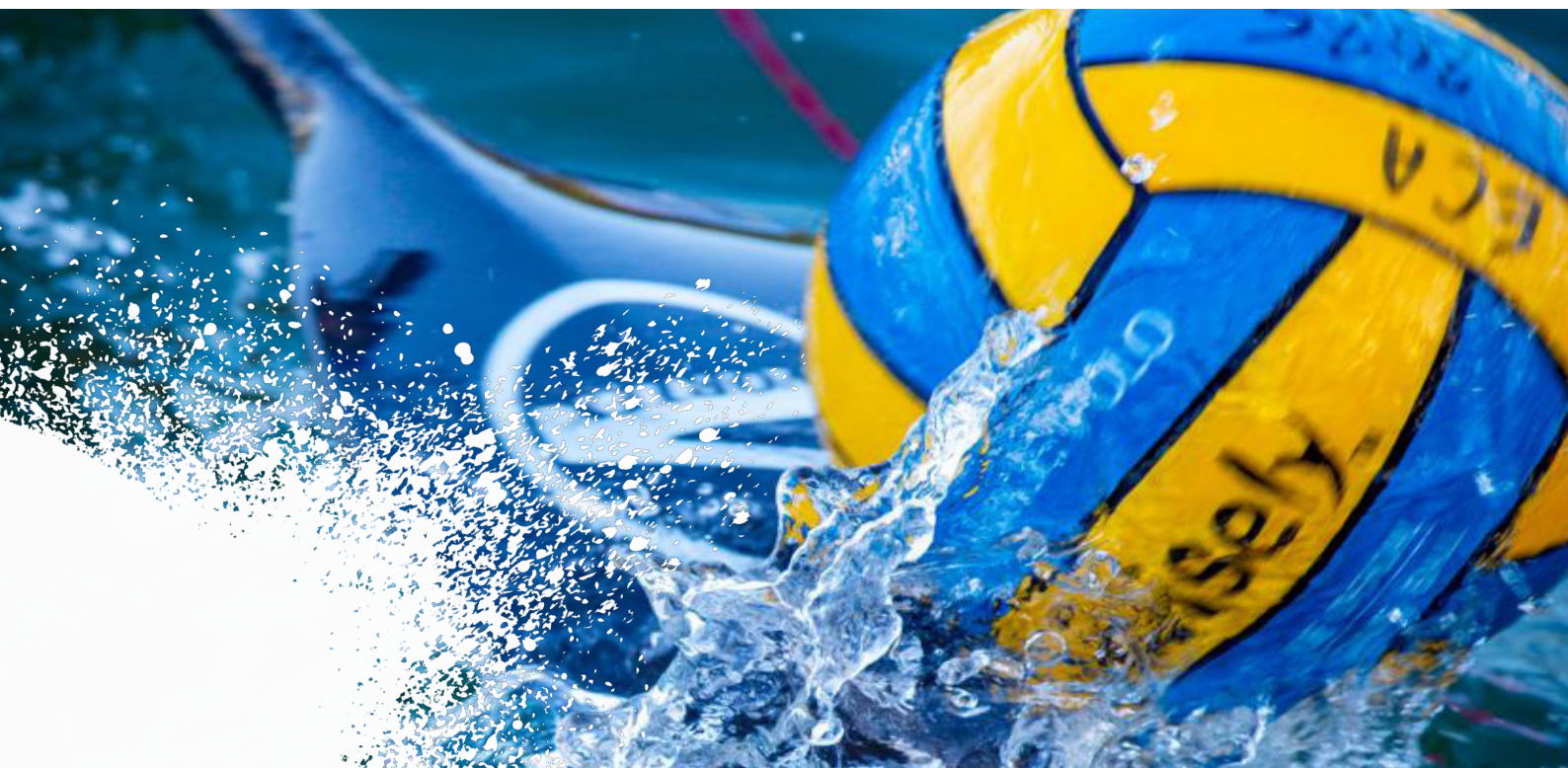
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INTRODUCTION

M. PASCAL BONNETAIN :

The French Canoe Federation is proud to welcome the European Canoe Polo Championship 2027, to be held from September 20 to 26 in the beautiful town of Thury-Harcourt.

This exceptional event will bring together the best European teams, 20 nations, 250 athletes and 150 members of the organization team, in an atmosphere that promises to be both sporting and festive!

The town of Thury-Harcourt, with its rich history and remarkable setting, offers a unique backdrop for this event. Thanks to the involvement of local players, the club, volunteers and all the partners, we're sure that this competition will offer to the delegations, to the athletes and to the spectators a wonderful experience.

We look forward to seeing you in Thury-Harcourt in September !



FFCK President



INTRODUCTION

THE MAYOR OF THURY-HARCOURT-LE-HOM, LYNDA LAHALLE :

From September 20 to 26, 2027, our region will have the immense honor of hosting a major international sporting event: the European Kayak Polo Championships.

At the heart of the exceptional natural setting of the Traspy Valley, in Thury-Harcourt, Europe's top teams will come together to offer spectators spectacular matches combining team spirit, sporting intensity, and technical excellence.

This major event will put the spotlight on Suisse Normande, a tourist destination renowned for its remarkable rugged landscapes and recognized as one of Normandy's must-visit destinations for outdoor sports. With its hills, river, and preserved natural heritage, our region provides a unique setting for hosting a competition of this scale.

Above all, this event is the result of an extraordinary collective commitment. I would like to warmly acknowledge the dedication of the clubs, volunteers, local associations, institutional partners, technical teams, staff members, and all those working with passion and determination to make these championships a major sporting, popular, and festive event.

Alongside the competition, a festival of entertainment and activities will enliven these days, offering residents, visitors, and supporters a friendly, festive, and unforgettable experience, in a spirit of sharing and discovering our region.

To the delegations coming from across Europe, to the athletes, to the supporters, and to all visitors, I extend the warmest welcome to Thury-Harcourt, to Suisse Normande. May these championships leave everyone with the memories of an exceptional occasion, marked by sport, conviviality, and emotion.



Mme Lynda LAHALLE
The Mayor of Thury-Harcourt-le-Hom

GENERAL INFORMATIONS & DATA

PROGRAMME

The 2027 European Canoe Polo Championships will take place from 22.09.2027 to 26.09.2027 in Thury-Harcourt, in the heart of the Traspy Valley. Four performance categories will compete throughout the event: men, women, U21 men and U21 women.

The programme will include opening and closing ceremonies, competitions, and award presentations. Every effort will be made to deliver a unique experience in the heart of Normandy during this major international competition.

DATE	DAY	ITEM
20.09.2027	Monday	Opening of the venue Opening of the accreditation Free practice Scrutineering
21.09.2027	Tuesday	Accreditation Official training Scrutineering
22.09.2027	Wednesday	Accreditation Official training Scrutineering Opening ceremony Referees meeting Team leaders meeting
23.09.2027	Thursday	Competition day
24.09.2027	Friday	Competition day
25.09.2027	Saturday	Competition day
26.09.2027	Sunday	Competition day Closing ceremony

ORGANISING COMMITTEE

The 2027 European Canoe polo Championships will be supported by a strong and experienced local organising team. The organising committee, fully committed to preparing for the event, will be supported by dedicated volunteers throughout the competition. As an event backed by institutional and private partners, the local sports clubs – well-structured and dynamic – will also play an active role in ensuring the success of this European gathering. The local council and its departments will provide strong support to ensure the best possible conditions for hosting and organising the event.

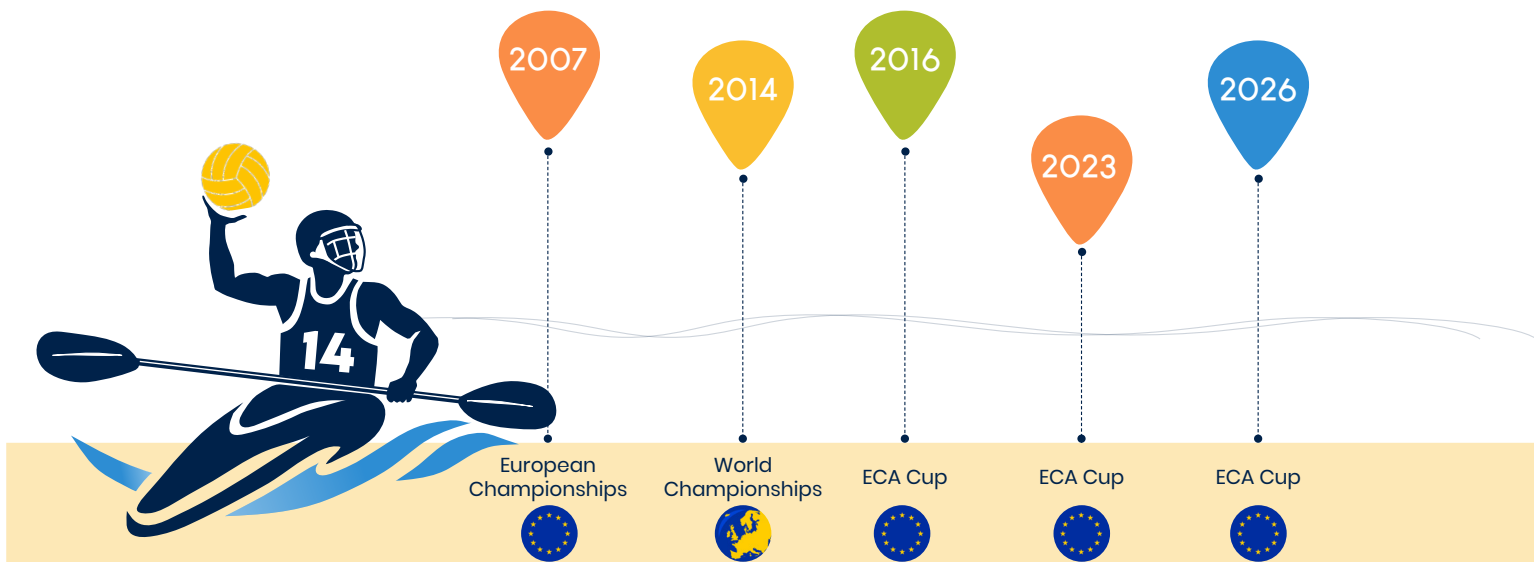
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PROVED EXPERIENCE

A global leader in canoe polo, Thury-Harcourt draws on recognised international experience, having hosted the European Championships (2007), the World Championships (2014) and the ECA Cup (2016, 2023 and 2026).

This expertise, supported by a dedicated network of volunteers, clubs and institutions, is complemented by a veritable pool of talent competing at the highest level.

Thanks to its exceptional setting, organisational expertise and sporting heritage, Thury-Harcourt offers every guarantee of hosting sustainable, unifying and exemplary European canoe Polo Championships.



ACCREDITATION AND FEES

Please contact the Organisation Committee only by this email address : thury2027@gmail.com

All participants in the 2027 European Championships (athletes, coaches NF members) must pay the participation fee.

SERVICES INCLUDED :

- Electricity
- Water and snacks
- Tables and chairs
- Wi-Fi Internet connection
- Sofas
- Services in the technical services area
- Physiotherapist and medical assistance

ADDITIONAL SERVICES

- Translator volunteer of the organisation committee (free of charge)
- Meals at the catering. The athletes' catering service will offer a choice of starters, hot dishes and desserts.
- Transport of the athletes
- As required the HOC can rent boats for teams. This service will be organised between the nation and the HOC, the rental fee is not already fixed but can be around 100€/boat/week.

More information on participation and accreditation fees will be provided in BO2.

The Organising Committee offers accommodation and catering packages for accredited persons from 20 to 26 September 2027

Please complete the file to book the accommodation and catering package requested for your team **before june 2027** and send to : thury2027@gmail.com.

Athletes will be in the very heart of the organisation and will feel like they were at home.



NATIONAL FEDERATION					
CATEGORY	PRICE		NB of nights	NB of people	TOTAL AMOUNT
	Half board	Per person Per day			
THURY-HARCOURT (0 min)					
Gîte les pieds dans l'Orne		68€			
Campsite Traspy (tents)		56€			
Campsite Traspy (mobilhomes)		111€			
CROISILLES (5 min)					
Gîte Domaine de la Suisse Normande		135€			
DONNAY (7 min)					
Gîte La Ferme aux Moines		53€			
CAMPANDRE-VALCONGRAIN (10 min)					
Gîte de la Cour		102€			
CLECY (15 min)					
Hôtel Au Site Normand		140€			
Hôtel du Golf		110€			
Gîte Capaventure		63€			
Gîte Centre de Pleine Nature L.Terray		63€			
Gîte Ferme du Vey		70€			
Campsite Rochers des parcs (tents)		67€			
Campsite Rochers des parcs (mobilhomes)		97€			
OUFFIERES (15 min)					
Gîte Ferme des Epis		124€			
Campsite (chalets, yurts) Ferme des Epis		85€			
LAIZE-CLINCHAMPS (15 min)					
Gîte Centre des 4 saisons		66€			

PONT-D'OUILLY (20 min)				
Hôtel Relais du commerce	101€			
Gîte Potiche	65€			
Gîte Moulin Neuf	65€			
Campsite (bungalows)	107€			
AUNAY-SUR-ODON (20 min)				
Hôtel de la Place	113 €			
FALAISE (30 min)				
Hôtel Ibis	99€			
TOTAL AMOUNT				
1st account : 30 % of the total amount at the registration (before October 2026)				
2st account : rest of the sum on June 2027				
Stamp / Signature				
City Essen	Date			



The organising committee will provide a varied and high-quality catering service tailored to the needs of athletes; the menu will feature seasonal produce and will prioritise locally sourced ingredients and dietary requirements.

NATIONAL FEDERATION			
Dates - LUNCH	Nb of people	Price	TOTAL
Saturday 19th September		20 €	
Sunday 20st September		20 €	
Monday 21nd September		20 €	
Tuesday 22rd September		20 €	
Wednesday 23th September		20 €	
Thursday 24th September		20 €	
Friday 25th September		20 €	
Saturday 26th September		20 €	
TOTAL			

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THE VENUE

STARTING POINT	RECOMMENDED TRANSPORT	ESTIMATED DURATION
United Kingdom	Ferry (Portsmouth > Ouistreham) + bus/train to Caen + bus line 117	7-8 hours
Paris	Train (Paris > Caen) + bus line 117	3-4 hours
Caen airport	Bus/taxi to Caen + bus line 117	1 hour
Caen Train station	Bus line 117	39 minutes



VIPS AND DIGNITARIES

VIPs will be provided with the best service possible. During the competition, transport for officials will be provided from their accommodation to the competition venue. On the waterside, an area will be set-up, equipped with chairs and flat screens sofas and wifi.

PUBLIC ACCESS

Entry to the event will be free of charge, allowing as many people as possible to discover canoe polo in a friendly and festive atmosphere. Catering and refreshment stands will be available on site throughout the competition.

Particular attention will be paid to accessibility to ensure that people with reduced mobility can enjoy the event in the best possible conditions. Visitor parking will be available nearby, while sustainable transport such as cycling and public transport will be encouraged.

PRESS ACCESS

A dedicated press area will be set up on site to accommodate journalists and media partners in the best possible conditions. A communications plan is currently being rolled out to promote the event to local, regional, national and specialist media. Journalists will have access to practical information on site, easy access to the competitions, and dedicated press materials (programme, visuals, press kits and sports news).

A SUSTAINABLE AND RESPONSIBLE VISION FOR THURY2027

The Organising Committee of Thury2027 is committed to delivering the 2027 European Canoe Polo Championships through a strong sustainable development approach, with the ambition of making the event a benchmark for responsible and environmentally friendly sports organisation. In this perspective, the event aims to obtain the French National Olympic and Sports Committee label: "Développement durable, le sport s'engage®".

This commitment will be reflected through concrete actions designed to reduce the environmental impact of the Championships: responsible waste and resource management, reduction of energy consumption, promotion of sustainable mobility solutions, use of local and high-quality catering services, and awareness initiatives for athletes, officials, volunteers and spectators regarding environmental challenges.

Eco-responsibility is a key priority shared by both the Organising Committee and the Suisse Normande region, a natural territory strongly committed to environmental preservation and sustainable tourism. Through Thury2027, our ambition is to demonstrate that a major international sporting event can successfully combine high-level performance, conviviality and environmental responsibility, while offering athletes and delegations a unique experience in the heart of Normandy.

THE VENUE

THURY-HARCOURT-LE-HOM

Located in the heart of Suisse Normande, the commune of Thury-Harcourt-le-Hom enjoys a unique natural setting, combining rivers, lush green valleys and rugged hills. A true hub for outdoor activities in Normandy, the region is renowned for its hospitality, its vibrant sporting scene and its recognised expertise in organising international kayak polo competitions.



THE LAKE TRASPY

Thury-Harcourt provides a well-equipped and adaptable site: the Traspy which its potential allows to welcome the Canoe Polo European championships without doing any damage but respect the natural environment. Situated in the wooden valley, this water body of Traspy permits fishing activity and canoe polo tournament throughout the year. Tourist and local people enjoyed this walking area. A 2 hectare-area, it has currently 4 official pitches with grandstands. There is also playful aquatic centres on the Traspy, and well-being activities such as sauna, hammam, Jacuzzi...and tennis courts. Other equipment at disposal (less than 1 km from the site) for the athletes and their families (gymnasium, sport field, water base...)

SUISSE NORMANDE REGION : A PARADISE FOR OUTDOOR SPORTS !

For an extraordinary getaway, Suisse Normande is brimming with breathtaking views and natural sites. The landscapes are spectacular : winding valleys, picturesque villages and rolling hills combine to create a unique setting. Nicknamed the 'mountains of Normandy', this unspoilt region is a true natural treasure, where Normandy reveals its highest peaks in the heart of the Armorican Massif.





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