

Umpire Updates

Since the last edition of the World Rowing Umpiring newsletter, we have a number of events to report regarding our colleagues. We will attempt to report on them here but apologize in advance if we have missed something.

In Memoriam

2019

Borge KASS-ANDERSON (DEN) - [Click here to read more.](#)

2021

Freek MEIJERS (NED) - [Click here to read more.](#)

Karl Heinz-BECKER (GER) - [Click here to read more.](#)

Gerd SCHEINER (GER) - [Click here to read more.](#)

John GARNJOST (USA) - [Click here to read more.](#)

2022

Jean-Paul RENARD (FRA) 1947-2022. Jean-Paul was an international referee from 1996 to 2012. He was a jovial colleague, a real team player.

Among his many contributions to rowing and Umpiring, he was a member of the juries of 1997 Vaires-sur-Marne World Rowing Cup II, 2009 Banolas World Rowing Cup I, 2011 Luzern World Rowing Cup III and the 2012 Bled European Rowing U19 Championship.

Patrick Rombaut presented Jean-Paul with the World Rowing Umpiring Emeritus Badge at the reception in 2012 in Bled.



2023

Jiri KLEMES J. (CZE), 1953 – 2023 Jiri made his exam in 1983 in Prague and was very active as jury member and regatta organizer.

His FISA umpiring career took him over 27 years all over the world, being part amongst many others of 4 World Juniors, 2 Nations Cup, 1 World U23 and 3 World Seniors juries – Racice 93, Luzern 01 and Lake Karapiro 10.

Jiri Klemes was always a gentleman, a true rowing friend and an excellent umpiring colleague.



Gerhard MEYBODEN (GER) - [Click here to read more.](#)

Allison MULDER (RSA) Aged 66, Alison became WR umpire in 2009 (exam in Cape Town) and was jury member at the WRCH in Plovdiv 2012 and the Olympics in Rio 2016.

In 2018 she unfortunately had a brain stroke, which strongly lowered her mobility. At the end of 2019 she presented her resignation as umpire.

We will remember her as an always friendly and enthusiastic colleague, eager to learn and to pass her experience to the younger colleagues.

May she rest in peace.

