

*Mission — To support USACK affiliated clubs in their efforts to provide paddling programs to their members and communities.
Vision — To foster an environment in which athletes, coaches, officials, directors, parents and volunteers are valued and respected in their efforts to support the growth of sprint canoe and kayak.*

2008 Nationals — Oklahoma City



Oklahoma City put on a great show for the smiling faces of athletes representing San Diego Canoe and Kayak Team. Record high temperatures, with surprisingly regular tailwinds led to hot performances on the water.

To the staff and volunteers of the Chesapeake Boathouse our sincere gratitude for hosting both the Moscow Junior Trials and the USA Canoe Kayak Nationals – great job gang! Your pleasant manner and professionalism made us all feel very welcome at your beautiful site and wonderful city.

All of the USA Canoe Kayak certified officials in attendance, spent long hours ensuring a fair and safe event for all the competitors – a sincere appreciation is felt by all the competitors, coaches and parents. Thank you to the boat control staff, starting crew, on water officials and finish line team for loaning their expertise and passion for sprint canoe and kayak. The starting platform volunteers and PA announcers did a terrific job throughout the week – again a thank you does not seem like enough, but please know that our small sport is very much noticing your tremendous efforts.

Please see powerhousetiming.com for complete results and the USA Canoe Kayak website for each day photos by USA Canoe Kayak staff member Kathryn Bolles — canoekayak@usoc.org
Congratulations and a great big thank you to all the athletes for your competitive spirit and quality sportsmanship. It was really amazing to see so many smiling faces on the land following your all out efforts on the water in the spirit of competition. Friendships through paddling was everywhere for all to see in Oklahoma City.

Moscow Junior Team



Coach Hickox / Peter Petrovics, WCC / Nick Hanoian, SDCKT / Ryan Stock, SDCKT / Ryan Dolan, HCKT / Chris Hipgrave, Team Leader; Front row – Cedric Bond, Gig / Nicole Mallory, LCKC / Luke Potts, LCKC — missing Adrienne Hickox, Medical.

As a prelude to the 2009 Junior World Championships in Moscow, this seven member team achieved the Minimum Time Standards published last November in either singles or doubles. Ryan Dolan and Peter Petrovics will each race both the 500 and 1000m K1 events as well as the K2 1000m. Ryan Stock and Nick Hanoian, will race the K2 500m while Cedric Bond and Luke Potts will race the 1000m. The latter four, are all eligible for 2009, and will race the K4 500 and 1000m events at the Moscow September 3rd – 5th, 2008.

Nicole Mallory will represent Team USA in both the K1 500 and 1000m.

Congratulations to all and good luck!

National Association of Coaches in Canoe Kayak — NACCK

Now in its second full year of existence, the new Board of Directors was elected — thank you for your leadership and guidance:

Chris Barlow, San Diego Canoe and Kayak Club; Dave Robertson, Lanier Canoe and Kayak Club and Aasim Saleh, Seattle Canoe and Kayak Club.

NACCK has also formed a National Championships Review Committee, with Alan Anderson, Gig Harbor as the Chair to look at the National Championships under the following guidelines:

- ⇒ *The National Championships are too long for our current number of participants and economics*
- ⇒ *Bantam athletes should remain as part of the Nationals*
- ⇒ *Long Term Athlete Development principles will form a guide to this review*
- ⇒ *Masters events and athletes require a separate full day to give them the prestige and attention they deserve*
- ⇒ *Events offered in each age class are to be streamlined to avoid spreading and diluting the current limited number of entries*
- ⇒ *A minimum number of entries constitutes a race*
- ⇒ *Nationals are to be recognized by the USA Canoe Kayak membership as our most significant domestic event and therefore are to be held at a time which allows all of our top athletes to take part. This would normally be following the Senior World Championships in a given year*
- ⇒ *All US participants at the Nationals are to be currently registered with a USA Canoe Kayak member club in order to strengthen and grow the club base*
- ⇒ *The Sprint Racing Committee is the key committee in USA Canoe Kayak and must work to ensure that the regional reps are actively engaged within their region*

Barton Bantams — 200 km Fall Club

With the fall just around the corner, another season begins for all paddlers that want to improve their technique and base level of fitness. In order to assist club coaches in motivating their young athletes, USA Canoe Kayak Barton Bantam 200 km Fall Club charts were issued to all club coaches at the OKC Nationals. These charts are to be posted on the bulletin boards at your club for easy tracking by athletes, coaches, parents and directors. If you do not see it posted, please follow up with your club coaching staff.

Bantams are to tally their fall paddling kilometers over a two month period beginning and ending as the coaching staff determines. Athletes that accumulate 200 km in either singles or doubles will receive a recognition award from USA Canoe Kayak and have their names posted on the canoekayak@usoc.org website.

2007 Barton Bantam 200 km Fall Club

<i>Hawaii Canoe Kayak Team</i>
Trenton Tam
<i>Gig Harbor Canoe / Kayak Club</i>
Eva Monday, Quinn Fredrickson, Charles Lewellen, Desmond Bond, Avery Unterreiner, Sarah Ricci, Molly Timmons, Zoe Kuhn, Dustin Sousley, Bryse Paffile
<i>Washington Canoe Club</i>
Betsy Ray
<i>Seattle Canoe / Kayak Club</i>
Eric Roux, Hannah Nord, Karin Nord, Daphne Austin, Rita McCall, Jeff Cayton, Sarah Corsa, Mia Overton, Bailey Nurmia
<i>Lanier Canoe / Kayak Club</i>
Stanton Collins, Rebecca Westmoreland, Chelsea Smith Duncan Hord, Hannah Shilling, James Watson, Holly Shilling, Tanner Easterday, Heather Lana
<i>San Diego Canoe / Kayak Team</i>
Michael Lowe, Kevin Stock, Sydney Bohlman, Ryan Passan, Lexie Bohlman

Barton Bantams in action at 2008 Nationals — Gig edges Seattle



2008 — Fall Camps — Selection Criteria

Please go to the USA Canoe Kayak website canoekayak@usoc.org — click on the Header — DISCIPLINES — then Olympic — then Flatwater Sprint — then Resources — then National Development Programs. You will be able to view the selection criteria for the U23, U18, U16 and U14 National Development Teams. Nominations will go out the week of August 18 – 22, 2008.



Credits — all photos - Kathryn Bolles, USA Canoe Kayak staff member.



A whole new attitude is sweeping USA Canoe Kayak – led by the 3 Emily's!

“Friendships through paddling”

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