

USA Canoe/Kayak Sprint National Team Trials Takes Over Chula Vista

April 21, 2011, 11:08 p.m. (ET)
Saturday, Day 2 Update

FINAL A of Senior Womenâ€™s K-1 200m

1. [Carrie Johnson](#) (San Diego, Calif.)
2. [Krisztina Zur](#) (Newport Beach, Calif.)
3. [Kaitlyn McElroy](#) (Bethel, Maine)
4. [Emily Vinson](#) (Gainesville, Ga.)
5. [Ariel Farrar-Wellman](#) (Bethesda, Md.)
6. [Maggie Hogan](#) (San Diego, Calif.)
7. [Emily Mickle](#) (Gainesville, Ga.)
8. [Jen Burke](#) (San Diego, Calif.)
9. [Emily Mickle](#) (Gainesville, Ga.)

FINAL A of Senior Menâ€™s K-1 200m

1. [Morgan House](#) (Gainesville, Ga.)
2. [Ryan Dolan](#) (Kailua, Hawaii)
3. [Luke Michael](#) (Sydney, Australia/Hawaii)
4. [Jake Michael](#) (Sydney, Australia/Hawaii)
5. Ryan Stock
6. [Pat Dolan](#) (Kailua, Hawaii)
7. [Cedric Bond](#) (Tacoma, Wash.)
8. J.L. Guinchard
9. [Tim Hornsby](#) (Atlanta, Ga.)

DIRECT FINAL of Senior Menâ€™s K-2 200m

1. Ryan Dolan/Tim Hornsby

- 2.Luke Michael/Jake Michael
- 3.Patrick Dolan/Morgan House
- 4.Ryan Stock/J.L. Guinchard
- 5.Cedric Bond/[Jared McArthur](#) (Winder, Ga.)
- 6.Will Roszel/Austin Schwinn (Oklahoma City, Okla.)
- 7.Chris Miller/Luke Potts (Lanier Canoe Kayak Club)
- 8.David Petrovics/Richard Sprout

FINAL A of Junior Menâ€™s K-1 200m

- 1.Kalei Kahookele (Hawaii Canoe Kayak Team)
- 2.Trenton Dos Santos Tam (Hawaii Canoe Kayak Team)
- 3.Sean Barlow (San Diego Canoe Kayak Team)
- 4.Scanner Cheung (Hawaii Canoe Kayak Team)
- 5.Kevin Stock (San Diego Canoe Kayak Team)
- 6.Garen Doyle (San Diego Canoe Kayak Team)
- 7.Stanton Collins (Lanier Canoe Kayak Club)
- 8.Graham Roper (Lanier Canoe Kayak Club)
- 9.Tanner Easterday (Lanier Canoe Kayak Club)

FINAL A of Junior Menâ€™s C-1 200m

- 1.David Podloch (Washington Canoe Club)
- 2.Bryse Paffile (Gig Harbor)
- 3.Dustin Sousley (Gig Harbor)
- 4.Wilbert Lam (Cascade)
- 5.Zach Guay (Seattle Canoe Kayak Club)
- 6.Caleb Chuck (Cascade)
- 7.Ryan Passen (San Diego Canoe Kayak Team)
- 8.Andrew Field (Gig Harbor)
- 9.Matthew Lam (Cascade)

DIRECT FINAL of Junior Womenâ€™s C-1 200m

1. Angela Wang
2. Sara Jane Rucci
3. Makenzie Sousley
4. Brittany Bakken
5. Sydney Bohlman
6. Opal Theodossi

The first day of competition at the USA Canoe/Kayak Sprint National Team Trials featured the strength of veteran leaders and introduced a wave of new talent to the National Program. Aiming for her third consecutive Olympic appearance at the 2012 Games in London, [Carrie Johnson](#) (San Diego, Calif.) surged to an early lead in the Womenâ€™s K1 500 meter event and held off the field for a dominant win in the dayâ€™s most anticipated race.

â€œCarrieâ€™s performance proves to the U.S. Olympic Committee and her teammates that she is the stellar athlete that we know she is under race conditions,â€ said **USA Canoe/Kayak National Coach Stein Jorgensen**. â€œHer training has been going extremely well and her Minimaxx data device on board her boat documents she is paddling better than ever before.â€

In the Menâ€™s K1 1,000 meter event, [Luke Michael](#) (Sydney, Australia/Hawaii), a newcomer to the U.S. National Program, captured top honors in his first Team Trials as a U.S. Citizen. Michael later teamed up with brother, [Jake](#) (Sydney, Australia/Hawaii), taking Gold in the Menâ€™s K2 1,000 meter race.

â€œLuke and Jake have infused our program with a new level of intensity and focus on and off the water,â€ said **William Irving, USA Canoe/Kayakâ€™s National Teams Director**. â€œTheir performance along with their teammates will bring the United States back to a fielding a competitive team boat on the international stage.â€

Day Two at the Sprint Trials will feature 200 meter racing, the newest Olympic event as well as the Stand Up Paddle Board racing at the Chula Vista Olympic Training Center on Lake Otay. The second and final day of competition will finalize selection of the Senior National World Cup Team as well as the Junior National Team, which will compete at the Junior World Championships this summer in Germany.

Friday Highlights:

FINAL A of Senior Womenâ€™s K-1 500m

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2. [Krisztina Zur](#) (Newport Beach, Calif.)
3. [Maggie Hogan](#) (San Diego, Calif.)
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FINAL A of Senior Menâ€™s K-1 1000m

1.[Luke Michael](#) (Sydney, Australia/Hawaii)

2.[Morgan House](#) (Gainesville, Ga.)

3.[Jake Michael](#) (Sydney, Australia/Hawaii)

4.[Pat Dolan](#) (Kailua, Hawaii)

5.Richard Sprout

After 1st Run of Senior Menâ€™s K-2 1000m

1.Luke Michael/Jake Michael

2.Patrick Dolan/Morgan House

3.[Cedric Bond](#) (Tacoma, Wash.)/[Jared McArthur](#) (Winder, Ga.)

4.Richard Sprout/[David Petrovics](#) (Bethesda, Md.),

5.Ryan Stock/J.L. Guinchard

After 1st Run of Senior Womenâ€™s K-2 500m

1.Maggie Hogan/Carrie Johnson

2.Jen Burke/[Kaitlyn McElroy](#) (Bethel, Maine)

3.[Emily Mickle](#) (Gainesville, Ga.)/[Emily Wright](#) (Fairport, N.Y.)

4.[Emily Vinson](#) (Gainesville, Ga.)/Ariel Farrar-Wellman

5.Macy Dwyer/Cannie Ash

After 1st Run of Senior Menâ€™s C-1 1000m

1.[Ben Hefner](#) (Gainesville, Ga.)

2.Robert Finlayson (Lanier Canoe Kayak Club)

3.Lester Ruis (Miami, Fla.)

4.Ian Ross (Washington Canoe Club)

5.Jim Terrell (San Diego, Calif.)

6.Alejandro Schwedhelm (Lanier Canoe Kayak Club)

7.Mirosław Podloch (Washington Canoe Club)

After 1st Run of Senior Menâ€™s C-2 1000m

1. Robert Finlayson/Alejandro Schwedhelm
2. Ben Hefner/Ian Ross

FINAL A of Junior Womenâ€™s K-1 500m

1. Bailey Nurmia (Seattle Canoe Kayak Club)
2. Rachel Kincaid (Hawaii Canoe Kayak Team)
3. Elizabeth Ray (Washington Canoe Club)
4. Claire Kim (Seattle Canoe Kayak Club)
5. Katie McKeever (Gig Harbor)

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Over one hundred of the best U.S. sprint athletes will take to the water this Friday and Saturday for the USA Canoe/Kayak 2011 Sprint National Team Trials at the Olympic Training Center in Chula Vista, Calif., April 22-23.

The event represents one of the first steps toward achieving the Olympic dream. The elite athletes will compete for spots on the 2011 U.S. Sprint National Team, which will participate in the upcoming World Cups. The Trials mark the beginning of the process of naming the team for the 2011 World Championship and the 2011 Pan American Games, which are currently only two events in which the U.S. can qualify spots for the London 2012 Olympic Games.

“Since the end of the 2010 World Championships, athletes have turned their attention to the 2011 season and this day of qualifying for the World Cups,” said **USA Canoe/Kayak National Teams Director William Irving**. “The athletes have poured numerous hours of training both on and off the water to prove that they belong amongst the top paddlers in the World. The athletes are focused on qualifying boat places for the 2012 Olympic Games, which is the end result that all of them are looking towards.”

Highlighting the field will be eight members of the 2010 National Sprint Team looking to book their tickets to this summer's World Cup circuit. Two-time Olympian [Carrie Johnson](#) (San Diego, Calif.) leads the way after a 2010 season that included three Pan American medals and a K1 500m National Championship. Other notables include [Emily Vinson](#) (Gainesville, Ga.), [Ariel Farrar-Wellman](#) (Bethesda, Md.) and two-time 2010 PanAm medalist [Maggie Hogan](#) (San Diego, Calif.).

On the men's side, [Ryan Dolan](#) (Kailua, Hawaii) and [Morgan House](#) (Gainesville, Ga.) will be tough to beat after winning two medals apiece at the 2010 National Championships. Other notables include Ryan's brother [Pat Dolan](#) (Kailua, Hawaii), [Tim Hornsby](#) (Atlanta, Ga.), and Australian-American twins [Luke](#) and [Jake Michael](#) (Sydney, Australia).

Others competing include: [Cedric Bond](#) (Tacoma, Wash.), [Jared McArthur](#) (Winder, Ga.), [David Petrovics](#) (Bethesda, Md.), [Rami Zur](#) (Newport Beach, Calif.), Miroslaw Podloch (Rockville, Md.), [Ben Hefner](#) (Gainesville, Ga.), [Jen Burke](#) (San Diego, Calif.), Nicole Mallory (West Henrietta, N.Y.), [Kaitlyn McElroy](#) (Bethel, Maine), [Emily Mickle](#) (Gainesville, Ga.), [Emily Wright](#) (Fairport, N.Y.), and [Krisztina Zur](#) (Newport Beach, Calif.).

The Sprint Trials will also serve to qualify athletes for the 2011 U.S. Junior National Team to compete at the 2011 Junior World Championships.

USA Canoe/Kayak has teamed up with the local organizing committee San Diego Canoe and Kayak Team (SDCKT) to resurrect the Silver Blade Regatta following the National Team Trials on Saturday on the Olympic

Training Center Regatta Course. The Silver Blade Regatta was first held in 1998, but has been on hiatus since 2002. It will include the non-Olympic events of Stand Up Racing, Surfisks and races for those 14-and-under. For more information on all events this weekend, click [HERE](#).

“This year’s Sprint Trials is the first step for athletes hoping to qualify for the 2012 London Olympics and the Silver Blade Regatta gives athletes from other paddlesports the opportunity to showcase their own sport and skills and to rub shoulders with past, present and future Olympians,” said **SDCKT Head Coach Chris Barlow**.

USA Canoe/Kayak is proud to launch “Ascend As One,” an exciting campaign in which we inspire the next generation of U.S. paddlers by supporting our current Olympic Hopefuls. Our Sprint Clubs and Community are teaming up to make sure our athletes can focus on what’s most important – winning medals on the international stage and representing the United States with pride. To contribute, click [HERE](#) and select “Ascend As One” from the drop down menu. 100% of all donations directly benefit our Sprint National Program Athletes and Coaches.

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