

# THE CATCH



South Niagara Canoe Club Newsletter Volume 11 Issue 9

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## Fall Paddling



*Pictures by Kathleen Reardon*



*Kayak*



*Outrigger Canoe*



*Canoe*



*Dragon Boat*

Programs continue to run despite the changes in weather with cooler temperatures, shorter days, rain, and wind. Visit our website, [SNCC.CA](http://SNCC.CA), or talk to your coach for details about fall paddling dates and times.

***The Catch*** shares news about SNCC and its members  
So you can ***stay connected*** with SNCC and its members.

# International Canoe Federation Junior and U23 Canoe Sprint World Championships



Almost 60 countries and over 1000 athletes came to Montemor-O-Velho, Portugal about 200 km north of the capital Lisbon to compete from September 3-6.

SNCC's Austin Pigeon placed 9th in C2 Junior Mixed 500m with Ava Carew (Senobe Aquatic Club, Dartmouth NS) and 6th in C1 Junior Mens 500m B Finals. This was the first year for C2 Junior Mixed and K2 Junior Mixed races.

Read more about Team Canada's results [here](#) on the Canoe Kayak Canada website. Watch on YouTube here: [Day 2 Finals](#), [Day 3 Finals](#), [Day 4 Finals](#).

## Olympic Hopes Regatta 2021

The Olympic Hopes Regatta was held September 10-12 in Račice, Czech Republic about 60km north of the capital city of Prague. Olympic Hopes provides athletes ages 15-17 with the opportunity to participate in the international sprint canoe/kayak racing community. There were 797 participants from 33 countries including Australia, Canada, and Argentina.

SNCC's Austin Pigeon competed in several events. He placed 6th in U-17 C1 1000m, 6th in U-17 C1 500m, bronze medal in U-17 C2 500m with Viktor Hardy (Club de Canoë-Kayak Lac-Beauport), and silver medal in U-17 C4 500m with Peter Bradley (Rideau Canoe Club), Viktor Hardy, and Emile Bouvier (Pointe-Claire Club de Canoe, near Montreal).

Watch on YouTube here: [Friday finals](#), [Saturday finals](#), [Sunday finals](#).

*Photo from YouTube.*



*Photo from YouTube.*

# Tokyo Paralympics



TOKYO 2020  
PARALYMPIC GAMES

From the Canoe Kayak Canada FaceBook page, dated September 4:

What a week for Team Canada in Tokyo! TOP 8 in the world. Proud. Of. You.

5th Mathieu St-Pierre (VL2)

5th Brianna Hennessy (VL2)

8th Andrea Nelson (KL2)

8th Brianna Hennessy (KL1)



*Pictures from Canoe Kayak Canada FaceBook page.*

## Team Canada at other International Events

2021 International Canoe Federation (ICF) Canoe Slalom World Cup in Spain, September 3-5.

2021 ICF Stand Up Paddling World Championships in Hungary, September 10-12.

2021 ICF Canoe Slalom World Cup in France, September 10-12.

2021 ICF Sprint and Paracanoe World Championships in Denmark, September 16-19.

Watch video of these exciting events on the Canoe Kayak Canada FaceBook page.

*K2 mixed 200m, qualifying heat, Denmark.*



*Katie Vincent winning gold in Denmark, C1 Women 200m. Pictures from Canoe Kayak Canada FaceBook page.*

# Thank you Coaches!

*It was a dark and stormy night...*



*Coach Jan*



*Coach Gwen*



*Coach Evan*



It wasn't the most desirable weather for a "Thank You Ceremony", but SNCC has a habit of making lemonade out of lemons. Despite the rain, SNCC Coaches for Dragon Boat and Outrigger Canoe were honoured for their dedication and patience. Captains Joan Crawford and Jamie Mereweather presented Dragon Boat Coaches Jan, Gwen, and Evan each with a plaque and gifts. Ann Marotta presented Outrigger Canoe Coaches Joan, Brenda, and Gwen each with a framed photo and gifts.

Paddling during the Covid Pandemic has been challenging, but it is with heartfelt gratitude and appreciation for our Coaches that the 2021 Paddling season happened at all.

Thank you also to the SNCC Board of Directors for working behind the scenes to ensure that there was a 2021 Paddling season.



*Coaches Joan and Brenda*



*Pictures by Kathleen Reardon*

# Inaugural National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

Email dated September 30, 2021 from Brenda Arndt, Commodore of SNCC: I would like to share the below email from Tyler Lawlor, the Indigenous program manager with Canoe Kayak Canada, with all members and friends of South Niagara Canoe club.

*I acknowledge that the lands we paddle on are on the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe peoples, many of whom continue to live and work here today. This territory is covered by the Upper Canada Treaties and is within the land protected by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum agreement.*



**Dear CKC Members,**

We would like to take a moment to recognize this first National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. This Day honours the lost children and Survivors of the residential Schools, their families and communities.

In 2021 Canoe Kayak Canada and working with it's [sic] Indigenous Advisory Council developed the [document]: Starting the Conversation: Paddling, Indigenous Peoples, and Reconciliation, resources to encourage our membership to engage in conversations around paddling, Indigenous Peoples, and reconciliation in our sport.

Today we encourage all our members to take action by Starting the Conversation in their own communities. For those who do use the Starting Conversation resource and complete the activities, we would further encourage you to send what you have learned and the outcome of your conversations in to us at CKC so that we can post them on the CKC website to be shared for all to learn from. The conversations, and sharing this education is an initial step forward on the long path of reconciliation.

We would like to sincerely thank our Indigenous Advisory Council for their time and council [sic].

For more information or questions: please contact Tyler Lawlor [tlawlor@canoekayak.ca](mailto:tlawlor@canoekayak.ca)

**CKC: Starting the Conversation: Paddling , Indigenous Peoples, and Reconciliation.**

Document can be found here: [Starting the Conversation](#)

For more information please visit: [National Day for Truth and Reconciliation](#)

[Sport and Reconciliation](#)

[Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada](#)

**Tyler Lawlor**

CKC, Indigenous Program Manager

# More Pictures

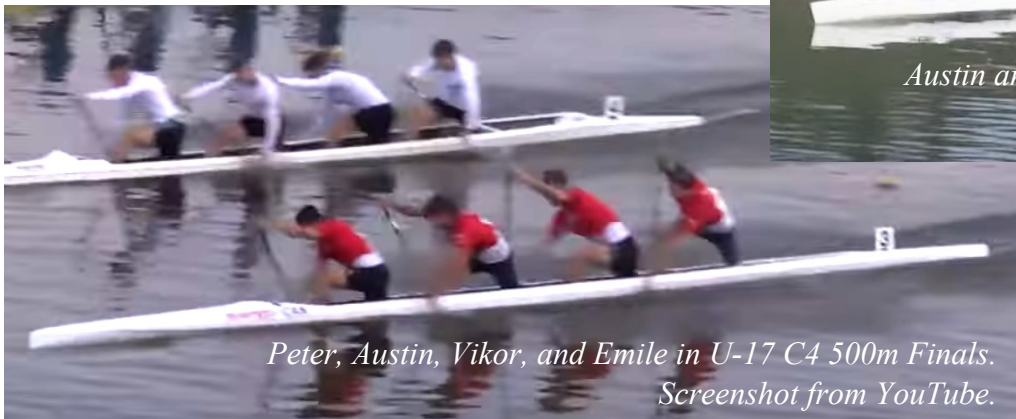
*Austin and Ava in C2 Mixed Junior Finals. Screenshot from YouTube.*



Austin made the news!  
Read about it in the Welland Tribune [here](#).



*Austin and Viktor in U-17 C2 500m Finals. Screenshot from YouTube.*



*Peter, Austin, Viktor, and Emile in U-17 C4 500m Finals. Screenshot from YouTube.*



## October Birthdays!



### Dragon Boat

- |                    |                 |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| Bernita Arndt      | Christine Cook  |
| Marisa Battista    | Annie Eckhardt  |
| Sondra Beach       | Catherine Harte |
| Anne Marie Ciancio | Kim Miller      |



### Parent of Paddlers

Kelly Coholan

### Canoe Kayak

- Kathleen Batstone  
Cameron Clark



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