

South Niagara Canoe Club Newsletter Volume 12 Issue 8

September 2022

# **Canoe Kayak Provincial Championships**

Congratulations to all the SNCC
Athletes who competed at the
Ontario Championships in Ottawa,
August 13-14. Athletes competed
in single boats and crew boats
such as K2, K4, and mixed C2 and
mixed K2. One highlight from the
weekend: our para-athletes won
burgees (the pennants) signifying
their performance resulted in the
most points for SNCC in the
categories of Paracanoe Overall

Great work Marilyn Abbs and Lindsay Davis!

and Paracanoe Womens.

Thank you to
everyone who shared
their pictures on
FaceBook. More pictures
are welcome such as
photos from races or
medal ceremonies. Your
contributions are
appreciated!







SNCC's Para-Athletes are making their mark on the sport! Congratulations Marilyn and Lindsay!



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

### **Guelph Dragon Boat Festival**

Held August 13 at Guelph Lake, Grand River Conservation Area. SNCC Canal Dragons Mixed Crew and SNCC Canal Dragons Womens Crew sprinted in 200m races and finished the day with a 2000m race each.



Congratulations to the Mixed Crew for a gold in D Division 200m. The Womens Crew were a close third place in Womens B Division 200m (less than 1 sec separated first place and third place). A fun and tiring day!

Thank you to all who shared their photos on FaceBook. Any other pictures from the races or of the crew on the dais with their medals would be welcome. Your help with pictures makes the Catch and the Archives more interesting and meaningful.



Bernadette Morrissey shared this picture of her and her number one fan, her husband.



The Mixed crew eagerly waiting to High Five the Women's Crew. Photo by Ann Marotta.



## **SNCC Back at 108 Thorold Road, Welland**

During the Canada Summer Games, SNCC relocated temporarily to its former home at 108 Thorold Road, the Welland Community Boathouse. Some boats and equipment were brought over and the Notre Dame Rowing Club generously donated some space in a shipping container to us.

While it was a nice change of scenery, it's good to be back at the WIFC with more space for our athletes and for our equipment. Speaking of our space, you may have noticed the new black rubberized flooring at our compound. More improvements to come thanks to grants that SNCC received earlier this year.





Masters paddlers, photo by Coach Rob Smith.

Para-athlete Lindsav Davis

## **Canada Summer Games**









Photo by Alan Wright as he volunteers in the Timing Tower for Canoe/Kayak with VIP Adam van Koeverden, Canada Summer Games athlete 1997, Canadian Olympian in Canoe/Kayak Sprint (Athens 2004, Beijing 2008, London 2012, Rio de Janeiro 2016), Toronto PanAm Games 2015.



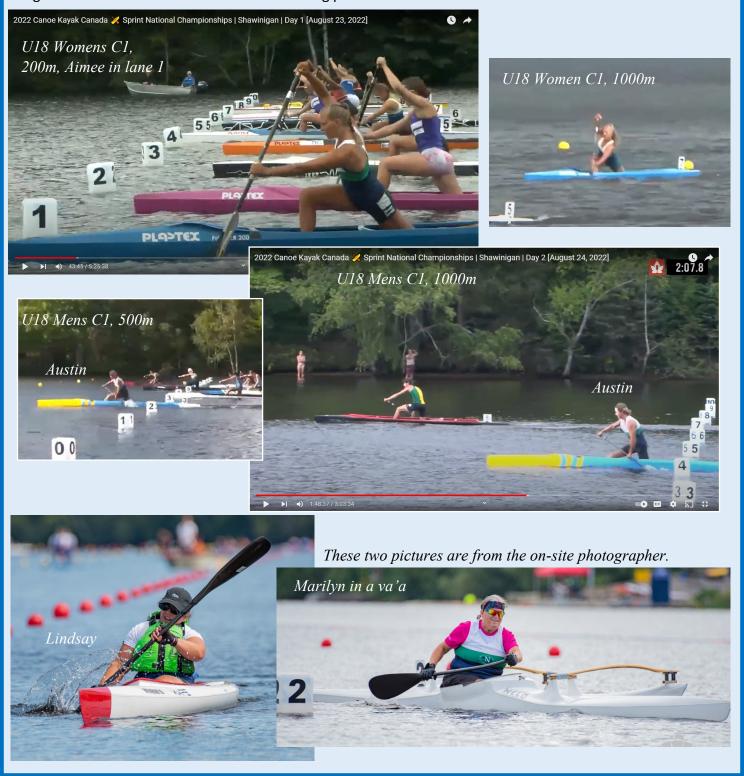
High Performance paddler Sarah Lowry volunteering at Canada Summer Games in a safety boat. Screenshot from a FaceBook video thanking all volunteers at Canada Summer Games 2022.



Left, J.LO is Julia Lilley-Osende of Team Nova Scotia who won a gold in Canada Summer Games in Women's C1 500m.

## Canoe/Kayak Sprint National Championships and CANMAS

Held August 23-28 in Shawinigan, QC. Four SNCC athletes and Head Coach Rob Smith travelled to "La belle province". High Performance paddlers Austin and Aimee Pigeon competed on Days 1 and 2 of Nationals while Para-athletes Marilyn Abbs and Lindsay Davis competed on Day 5 and in CANMAS. There are videos on YouTube of their finals in various categories and links with time-stamps are on the SNCC FaceBook page. Congratulations to all our athletes! The following pictures are screenshots from the YouTube videos.



## **Learn to Paddle**



Every Thursday night, SNCC offers free Learn to Paddle sessions to the public as part of the requirements of the Grow Grant in order to grow our club and add new members.





## **Upcoming Events**

**2022 ICF Junior and U23 Canoe Sprint World Championships, Szeged, Hungary, August 31-September 4:** SNCC wishes High Performance paddler Austin Pigeon well as he competes in Europe. Follow <a href="here">here</a> for livestreaming and other information.

**GWN at Marilyn Bell Park, Toronto, September 10 and 11:** Canal Dragons will send a Mixed team and a Womens team to compete in this 2-day event.



**Fall Paddling:** Dragon boat fall session runs September 19-October 31. Canoe Kayak session runs September 13-November 12. Check with your Coaches for more details. Go to **SNCC.CA** to register.

Christie Lake Dragon Boat Festival, Christie Lake Conservation Area, September 24: Last race festival of the season for the Canal Dragons.



**SNCC Annual Awards Banquet:** Volunteers are needed to help plan this fun evening of food, socializing, and recognizing our talented athletes. Contact Coach Rob Smith to get involved.

**In 2023, SNCC turns 15!** How should we celebrate the occasion? For our 10th anniversary, SNCC had a fundraiser Spaghetti dinner with prizes and games. Bring your ideas to a Board member and get involved!



#### Sad News

SNCC extends condolences to the family of Hope Floats member Jody

Minken. Jody joined

Hope Floats in May 2019 but she had been



04-Jun-1969 — 28-Aug-2022

inactive since her breast cancer relapse in the autumn of 2019. Jody was on the committee that wrote the Grow Grant application and she was also part of the Grow Grant Implementation Committee. You can read her obituary <a href="here">here</a>. Thank you, Jody, for your contributions to SNCC.

## **September Birthdays**

#### Canoe/Kayak

**Lindsay Davis** 

Walker Davis

Debbie Rajczak

**Edward Spivak** 



#### **Dragon Boat**

Mary Doan

Amy Jawanda

Maureen Wheelock



#### **Canoe/Kayak and Dragon Boat**

Shannon Allan

Colleen Kenyon

Carlos Peralta

Coach

Janet Corbett

Next issue: October 2022

Pictures and story ideas for **The Catch** can be emailed to Kathleen: kat\_reardon@hotmail.com





