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From the Editor:

Though we experienced a lot of turmoil getting the Nationals back on track, it was well worth it judging by the quality of racing this year. Our hosts at Warren, PA did an excellent job with the event and we had some very top talent competing, including a substantial number of women competing in the kayak events. Though paddlers like Greg Barton stole the headlines, we also had the remarkable opportunity to see 99 year old Mike Fremont race. Mikes' well on the way to becoming our first "Centennial Paddler"!

Keep paddling strong!

Steve

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# VIEW FROM THE STERN

#### WESTON WILLOUGHBY, USCA PRESIDENT

Hello everyone! As everyone's race seasons are wrapping up for the year I would like to take the opportunity to look back and reflect on the year. I would also like to thank everyone that has helped me out as I took on my first year in the role of USCA President.

2021 has been a challenging year logistically, but it seems like a lot of activities are getting back on track. The first large scale race that I participated in this year was the virtual 70 miler. events were run in full There was hope leading up to the event that a modified in-person event would be able to take place but it was determined that it would not be possible with the restrictions in place at the time. The General Clinton crew was able to organize a virtual event that received a decent amount of participation over the weekend, even with uncooperative weather. Over the course of late spring and summer I was able to participate in Michigan Canoe Racing Association sanctioned canoe races almost every weekend. It was also evident that other regions were able to host canoe races as well, as I was able to browse through race results from other states throughout the summer.

The next big race event I was able to participate in was the AuSable River Canoe Marathon. This event was able to proceed under relatively normal circumstances. There was very good turnout for this race with the ex-

ception of most of the Canadians that normally travel to the U.S. for the race. Crossing the Canadian-U.S. border was very difficult at the time.

Next up on the race schedule for me was the USCA Nationals. hosted in Warren, PA. This event was organized by the Warren chamber of commerce for the US-CA. The 2021 Nationals and received a good amount of participation from the membership. It was great to be there and see everyone that turned out for the weekend. The crew in Warren did a fantastic job putting a great event together on such short no-

tice.

The last larger event I was able to make it to was La Classique du Canots, a canoe race held in Quebec, Canada. This race was a challenge to get to due to the restrictions involved with crossing the Canadian-U.S. border. We were able to complete all of the requirements to get through the border to make it to the race. The race was run fairly normally and I got to see a lot of my Canadian canoe friends that I haven't seen in over a year.

2021 was my first year as USCA President, and it had its challenges at times. I was able to make it through the year in large



Weston Willoughby at the 2021 Nationals Photo courtesy of Shutter Photography by Kelli

part because of all the support I had. I would like to personally thank Rebecca Davis, the previous USCA President, for all the help she gave me dealing with issues that popped up during the year. The rest of the USCA Executive board (Teresa Stout, John Edwards, and Barb Bradley) were all also very helpful. The Warren crew that put the 2021 Nationals together was great to work with and made everything I had to do much easier. To anyone else that I leaned on for assistance this past year, I sincerely thank you for your effort. I look forward to what 2022 has in store for the canoe racing community!

# FREESTYLE: FULL SPEED ASTERN - PART 1

#### MARC ORNSTEIN

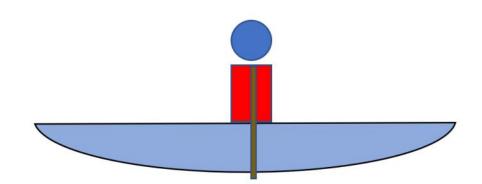
There comes a time for all paddlers when it's necessary or desirable to shift into reverse. Perhaps it's at the beginning of a journey, when you wish to back away from the dock, or after you've explored a dead-end channel that's too narrow to turn around in. Has the wind or current pushed you uncomfortably close to that alligator, manatee or moose you were photographing? Whatever the reason, you now need to back up.

Most of us learned a basic reverse stroke, early on. For most, it wasn't very pretty and didn't include much in the way of steering. It was merely a way of stopping and perhaps moving back, a few feet. There are at least four ways to back up, all under control and with the ability to steer. I'll cover the first here, in part one of this series.

The standard reverse stroke is similar to the basic forward stroke, except that in most respects it is the opposite. One begins by placing the blade in the water, alongside or just behind the hip. The paddle shaft is held as vertical as possible (not angled forward nor back nor side to side) with the grip hand extended outward so that it is stacked over the shaft hand, outboard, past the gunwale. The blade is nearly perpendicular to the water surface and is at right angles to the keel line of the canoe. It is then pushed directly forward approximately to the knee where it is

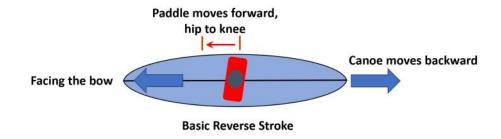
sliced out (directly away from the canoe) and then repositioned (recovered) for the next stroke. If this is done cleanly, in all respects, the canoe should move nearly straight back, with minimal yaw. Of course, in the real world some directional control

The two most common reverse steering maneuvers are the reverse J and the reverse sweep. The reverse J will turn the **stern** of the canoe toward the paddle side while the reverse sweep will turn the **stern** of the canoe away from the paddle side.



# Side view: Paddle starts at the hip, and is vertical!

may be necessary. The channel you are backing out of may not be straight and wind or currents may be pushing the canoe, one way or another. Steering in reverse is a valuable skill; necessary in all but the most basic situations. For the reverse J we'll begin with the basic reverse stroke as described above. At the end of the stroke, with the blade approximately at your knee, you'll rotate your grip hand (and thus the blade) so that your thumb turns back a bit towards the stern. The paddle shaft should be allowed to rotate within your shaft hand. The rotation will generally be mild (less than 45 deg.).



# Paddle moves forward to knee, blade is pushed further forward, while turning outward Facing the bow Canoe moves backward,

Reverse Stroke with J

While rotating the grip/blade, continue pushing the paddle forward and away from the hull a bit. The stern of the canoe will begin to turn toward the paddle side. Hold the blade in this position and allow the canoe time to turn until the necessary correction has been achieved. Pushing away too far or angling the paddle too sharply will excessively slow the canoe (wipe away your rearward momentum). Now, slice the blade out of the water and recover for another stroke. Once again, in-water recoveries are an option.

A couple of videos showing the reverse J in real time can be found on YouTube: Basic Reverse Stroke with Reverse "J" -

...and in ¼ time: Basic Reverse Stroke with Reverse "J" at 1/4 speed.

The reverse sweep is somewhat simpler. You likely

learned a reverse sweep early on in your paddling instruction. Back then, it was likely taught (along with the forward sweep) as a way to sharply rotate a stationary or nearly stationary canoe. In this case, we are using it in a much milder manner as a means of maintaining directional control while the canoe is traveling in reverse. Remember, the reverse sweep will turn the **stern** of the canoe away from the paddle side. For this purpose, the reverse sweep is much like the basic reverse stroke except that instead of pushing the paddle straight forward, with a vertical shaft as described above, we will intentionally sweep the blade outward, away from the hull, in a mild arc, while pushing it forward. This is accomplished by pulling the grip hand inward of the gunwale, or pushing the shaft hand out (away from the gunwale) or a combination of both. The further away from the hull that the blade is

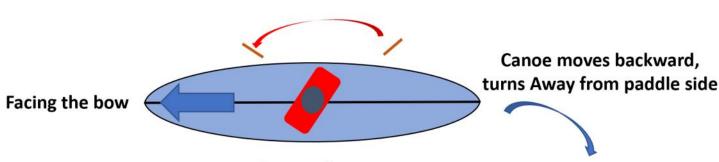
swept, the more turning effect it will have. For purposes of directional control, while traveling in reverse, only mild sweeps are generally required. Un-

like the reverse J where the "J" is a separate motion appended onto the end of the reverse stroke, the reverse sweep is simply a modification of the reverse stroke itself.

turns toward paddle side

While the basic reverse stroke along with the reverse J and sweep are necessary and useful skill sets, they have their limitations. Pushing the paddle in this manner is biomechanically weak, and doing so for more than short distances become tiring. Additionally, it is difficult to watch where you are going as your body is facing forward while your neck needs to be constantly twisted backward. In parts 2 and 3 of this article, we'll explore other and often better options for traveling in reverse.

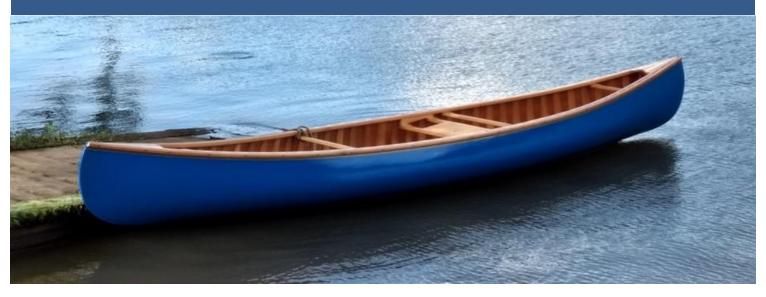
#### Paddle moves forward, in an arc



**Reverse Sweep** 

# WHEN YOU PADDLE A CANOE

#### **ROY IVEY**



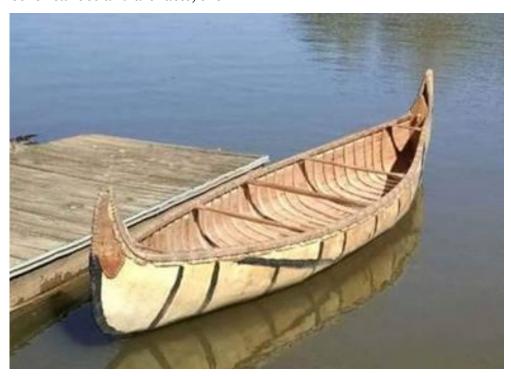
Loon Works Solitaire Canoe

"When you paddle a canoe, you travel with those who have gone before."

So said Bill Mason in his canoeing video, "Path of the Paddle". No doubt Mason was referring to those French-Canadian voyageurs, now long gone, who used birchbark canoes in the fur trade some 250 years ago. Bill Mason was a skilled Canadian canoeist and film maker whose films focused on wilderness tripping.

Today, canoes of various constructions and uses are displayed in museums. Three museums that come to mind are the Canadian Canoe Museum in Peterborough, Ontario; the Wisconsin Canoe Heritage Museum in

Spooner, Wisconsin; and the Smithsonian in Washington, DC. The Smithsonian houses, among other canoes and artifacts, the original twenty-pound Wee Lassie, built by J. H. Rushton in 1883. Such boats have much to



Loon Works Birchbark Canoe



Planking the PAL

More on the Wee Lassie later.

Right after paddling our 250-mile Trent Severn trip, (reported in the fall 2020 issue of Canoe News), Peg and I had the good fortune to meet Tom Mac-Kenzie, arguably America's foremost builder of cedar-fabric canoes. What a life-changer that has been! Tom's Loon Works canoe business actively promoted Free-Style canoeing. In spite of having paddled many long trips, Peg and I were taken by the skill of those FreeStyle paddlers who had taught their beautiful canoes to do amazing things.

Tom offered to let us paddle his tandem canoe, the PAL. He watched us intently and offered his instructional video. He then lent us his PAL and suggested that we return in a couple of weeks to show "what we had

teach those of us who love canoes. learned." Halfway home, with his canoe tied on our roof, I said to Peg, "Does that guy even know who we are?" Nope, he did not. Tom was a trusting soul. We

> could have kept his canoe, but had we never returned it I might be writing a different story today.

Somehow, we passed Tom's paddling test. In fact, we paddled that borrowed boat for a full year as he helped me build our own PAL in his well-equipped shop. Tom is so recognized in the canoeing world that his shop, with several of his canoes, is now on permanent display at the Wisconsin Canoe Heritage Museum.

During the build, I had many do overs but one stands out in my memory. Tom was the master of brush painting. He never sprayed any of his beautiful canoes. He taught me, "Slop it on, spread it out, pick it up". He stood beside me, instructing, critiquing, scolding. "That stroke was too short!" and then, "That stroke was too long!" After sanding out coat after coat, I finally passed the test. The standards may have been lowered a bit.



The old shed with wood stores



Taking the PAL for a "spin" FreeStyle

Tom introduced us to many canoeing luminaries including David Yost of DY Designs, who has designed canoes for the Loon Works, Bell, Sawyer, Swift, Curtis, and many others. We took classes from those who had developed the FreeStyle technique. Our instructors were among the best. And the best of the best paddled Tom's Loon Works boats.

Years later, Tom and I shared a boathouse. At one time it housed as many as 27 canoes. Some were Tom's demo boats. But it also held canoes by Mike Galt, Ted Bell, Patrick Moore, Walter Walker, and many more. The oldest were two cedar Peanuts, used in sprint racing more than 100 years ago. There were canoes of birch bark, cedar-strip, cedar-fabric, fiberglass, Royalex, Kevlar, and a few others. We paddled them all. The only construction that was never represented was the dugout.

I particularly enjoyed paddling the birchbark and cedar-fabric canoes that Tom had built. As I paddled those boats I was transported back in time. I imagined myself paddling a beaver pelt-laden birchbark with Hudson

Bay Company voyageurs, or perhaps joining Eric Sevareid on his epic 2,000mile canoe journey to York Factory, Manitoba.

As the song goes, the

years have done irrevocable harm. I maintain that I am not getting older but instead, that my boats are getting heavier. My favorite canoe is a beautiful Loon Works Solitaire at just twenty seven pounds, built fifteen years ago by Tom. But now it had become time for me to get an even lighter canoe. This, however, presented a dilemma.

After much deliberation, I purchased a fifteenpound, carbon fiber Wee Lassie from John Diller of Savage River. Most USCA members know Savage River for their fast racing canoes, but I prefer traditional boats. So their Wee Lassie, whose origin goes back nearly 140 years, was the obvious choice. However, it bothered me that I would now be paddling a canoe untouched by my best friend, Tom MacKenzie. Tom is gone now. He passed in 2015.

I decided to add a thwart to my new Wee Lassie. I went to Tom's old shed where birch bark, cedar planking and ribs, spruce root lashing, and pine pitch were stored. Perhaps Tom had hoped to build just one last birchbark. Among all that hand split cedar there was just one carefully shaped cedar thwart, carved by Tom's hands more than 40 years ago. It was the perfect length. Had he intended for me to find it? Tom's cedar thwart has now become part of my carbon fiber Wee Lassie. It seems that Bill Mason was right.

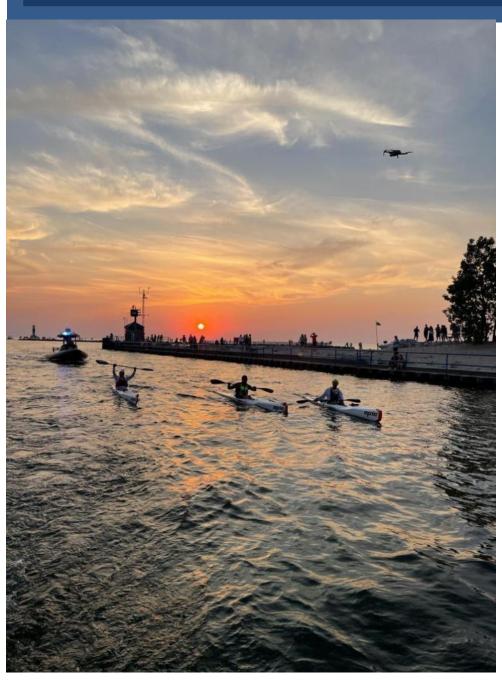
"When you paddle a canoe, you travel with those who have gone before."



Savage River carbon fiber Wee Lassie with Tom's cedar thwart

# **CROSSING LAKE MICHIGAN**

#### **BILLY BELLINGER**



It's 3:30 AM Central Time. Wayne Arthur, Rob Hartman, and Billy Bellinger have just launched their 3 Epic Surf Skis out into the dark night on Lake Michigan: a Lake crossing at the widest part from Racine Wisconsin to Holland Michigan. Wayne (age 42) is an incredible athlete who only a few years prior swam the 26 mile English Channel in 10 1/2 hours. Rob (age 51) was a pri-

or member of the US Marathon Team and has won several National Championships. Billy (age 67) has been mentored by Rob for the last 10 years and won numerous local races and had placed first and second in a couple of National races by age group.

It's a clear night and the stars and moon are reflecting off the water. Two miles offshore they meet up with Dave and Penny Diephouse in their 40 foot safety boat. The Epic Team has spent months planning for all possible issues that could occur, even to the point of how to recover and mount all three skis on the bow of Dave's power boat if one of them failed or a thunderstorm should become a threat to their small boats.

A reasonably good paddler can manage the 80 miles if they don't make any mistakes, but the best in the world could fail if they do make mistakes. And this Epic Team has already made their first mistake. The day before was not good. Everything got further and further behind schedule until it was 10PM and the alarm clock was set for 1:30AM. Wayne would get no sleep, Rob got about one hour and Billy popped a sleeping pill and got 3 hours. They were



Starting the crossing at night

dow. They had to take advantage of the favorable weather that had moved up their departure date. They needed more time, but having good weather was probably more important.

This was their first time paddling at night. Surrounded by the stars and moon illuminating the water was beautiful. Rob stopped to look at the compass and pointed his boat towards Holland. It was hard to read the compass in the dark without stopping, so they spotted a star and aimed for it. That would be good enough for the next 30 minutes. Physically Wayne, Rob and Billy showed no signs of fatigue as they were totally focused on the gentle waves and were concentrating on each paddle stroke for speed and efficiency. Had they left any later, then most likely they would be arriving in Holland after dark. They wanted to avoid this.

By 5 AM, the coast of Wisconsin was no longer in sight and a small red sliver of light started to rise out of the big Lake. Sunrise on Lake Michigan was simply glorious. In the next 10 minutes the Sun appeared to rise right up

being pushed by the weather win- out of the water and now it was glaring in their eyes and reflecting off the water. Without sunglasses it would have been painful to the eyes, but they had anticipated this and all 3 put on their glasses. With a 5-10 mph tailwind they were averaging a relaxed 6 mph and at the 10 mile mark they stopped for a 15 minute break. Getting out of the boat and stretching in the refreshing 70 degree water felt great. Resupply water and nutrition from Dave's power boat and hang out with an awesome group of 5 people.

70 miles to go. Take a compass reading. Just aim 10 degrees to the right of the sun's glare on the water. Sometimes they would paddle 3 abreast and sometimes they would trail each others wake, in a line, and sometimes just play the small waves, but always staying within 200 yards of Dave and Penny's boat, which was tracking a GPS line straight to Holland. Following the compass would work but it would also make for a less direct heading and they didn't need to paddle any extra miles this Sunday, July 25th 2021.

The waves were going East at 6-7 mph which gave their Epic V9, V8, and V8 Pro skis a small speed bump. I asked Rob how much he thought they were helping us and we agreed the waves were probably giving us about .3 mph and a couple of fewer paddle strokes. When you have a 16 hour paddle there is lots of time to





think about things. Sometimes I would dedicate some miles to my wife or people that had encouraged me. And then I decided to do the math to figure how many forward strokes it would take for this crossing. If I count every pull on the paddle as one stroke I figured we would be doing about 47,000-55,000 strokes. But the real goal was only the next ten miles and that was easy. I was not obsessed with completing this paddle. Even if I ended up going for a boat ride, it was an going to be an awesome experience, especially because of each person on our Epic Team that I got to spend a whole day with. Those memories and friendships will last long after this paddle is done.

#### And then came 40 miles.

1/2 way. Past the point of no return. We were still managing 6 mph and all 3 were feeling great. Now the water was calm, and little did I know but the mental fatigue from last night was wearing on me. I was making some mistakes that I knew better and had even written down and studied.

Like putting sun protection on my lips or not drinking enough water. I had planned on drinking up to 16 oz. per hour, but because of the cool dips in Lake Michigan every 10 miles I was not thirsty and was only sipping about 7 oz. per hour. I was focused on the paddling but oblivious to the mistakes. My lips would end up with

a sun burn the next day and the lack of water would start to cause physical fatigue in a few more hours. Avoiding mistakes was becoming more important than paddling. But with only 40 miles to go, we were feeling pretty positive.

Then came 30 miles and at 10 o'clock and 4 miles out came the biggest tug we had ever seen pushing a massive barge. 15 minutes later he was still at 10 o'clock and closing. With no shift in the relative bearing we were on a collision course so we stopped and were just in awe as he passed our bows. The swirling wake behind him extended beyond 100 yards. What an awesome sight on the crystal clear waters of mighty Lake Michigan.



Wayne is our English Channel swimmer cooling off in the crystal clear water.



30 miles to go. In another 20 we should be able to see the dunes of Western Michigan. Heck, they are almost in sight. At from the South. For the last 25

26 miles Rob announces we only have one more marathon to go. And then came the wind shift

> miles we would be paddling in one to two foot side-on chop. Normally in a surf ski this might be fun, but at this point for me it just meant more work and the lack of water started wearing on me. For me the fun was gone. Now I just wanted to finish. But Rob was loving every minute

of it. It was if the last 55 miles were a walk in the park for him. He was not even remotely tired even after a night of almost no sleep. Both Wayne and Rob were paddling strong. My speed had dropped to 5.5 mph and I had no interest in putting forth the effort to catch any waves.

10 miles, another 15 minute break, but the shoreline was clearly in sight. Then came 3 miles and a couple of power boats came out to cheer us on. Next came the Sheriff boat with his lights flashing to escort us 3 abreast up the channel past the State park in Holland MI. At least 100 people lined the channel cheering us on. Where did all these people come from? How did they know? By the cheering we got at our arrival you would think we had just won an Olympic Gold medal. We made it! 16 hours & 30 minutes, 50,000 paddle strokes, and 80 miles. Lake Michigan at its widest part.

As I stepped out of my V9 my legs were shaking. I just stood in the water for about one minute before I dared to walk. And Rob



Left to right: Rob Hartman, Billy Bellinger, and Wayne Arthur.



and Wayne were ready to paddle back. I knew they were great athletes and I was the weak link, but they still had plenty left in them.

Thank you so much for everyone that helped us and encouraged us. Being mentally encouraged and resilient is just as important as being physically capable. But don't make any mistakes.

Just some thoughts...from our perspective.

Dave and I (Penny) kept a watchful eye on the paddlers at all times, watching their every move. Watching for any struggles, wants, or needs and location. We saw the determination and full focus on their faces as they paddled. We felt like we had front row seats to the Olympics!

When it was time for breaks we never heard them complain about being tired or sore or hot or exhausted. When one would lag behind another paddler went back to join them and paddle with them for encouragement.

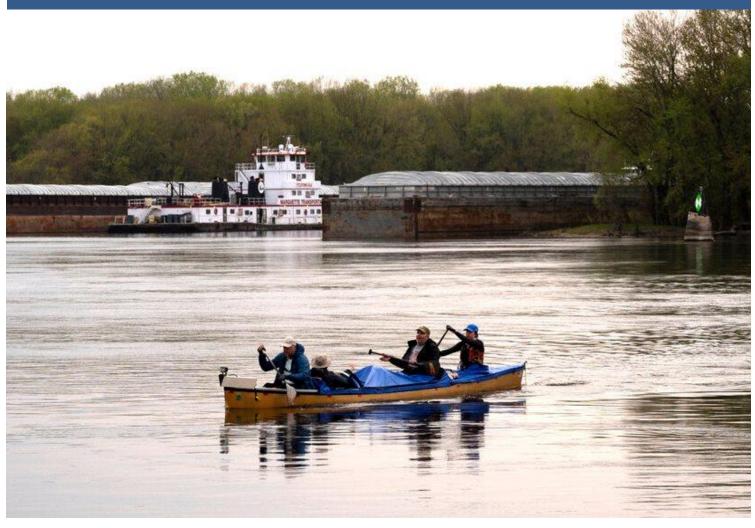
It was an honor and privilege to be part of this epic adventure. We will never forget it. The story will be told for years!



Break time with Penny.

# WORLD RECORD CHALLENGE

JENN BROWN



A Minnesota father and daughter have achieved the Guinness World Record for the fastest time to row the length of the Mississippi River by a team. KJ and Casey Millhone, of Wayzata, Minnesota, have officially been named as World Record holders alongside teammates Bobby Johnson and Rod Price, both from Florida. The team completed the estimated 2,350-mile journey down the river in 17 days, 19 hours and 46 minutes, paddling constantly from April 22 to May 10 to reach Mile Mark Zero in the Gulf of Mexico. The attempt means KJ, aged 62, is now the oldest person to

hold the record, while daughter Casey, aged 20, is the youngest female to do so. Casey said: "I didn't have a lot of context or experience going into this, but along the way I learned that I could be an equal part of this greatness - that was an incredible feeling." KJ added: "I wouldn't have tried this if Casey hadn't wanted to do it. She was the one who held us together throughout challenge by teammates Bobby Johnson the journey, which has made me as proud as I can be."

To obtain the record, the team paddled day and night in shifts, battling exhaustion, extreme weather conditions and dangerous sections of the Mississippi. Casey continued: "The amount of people along the river who knew and cared about what we were doing was mind blowing. "Having such massive vessels and all of the people whose whole lives are the river talking about us in this tiny, 23-foot canoe, and knowing that we'd earned a spot alongside them was truly amazing."

KJ and Casev were joined on the and Rod Price, both recognized and decorated paddlers from Florida. Rod said: "This group is remarkable in many ways. You have KJ and I doing this in our sixties – which I don't recommend! Then Bobby is tremendous, and with just four or five years of experience he's a force in

the world of paddle sports. And Casey has already climbed the Mount Everest for paddlers. It's a phenomenal task and she's completed it so young." Bobby added: "This was an amazing opportunity; it was the chance to achieve a Guinness World Record, paddle down the Mississippi, and enjoy the people you're with. I loved the 'team' part of it the most, and I really do miss being on that canoe."

The team were also joined by a support crew, who took care of laundry, logistics, cooking and charging equipment. Discussing the support the team received, KJ said: "This is not a world record of four paddlers, but a world record of a whole team, including the support crew and everyone who helped us along our way. There's no way we could have accomplished this without all of the people who were involved."



CJ and Casey Millhone holding their Guinness World Record certificate

#### To find out more about Team MMZero and their challenge, visit <a href="https://mmzero.org/">https://mmzero.org/</a>



Bobby Johnson with Guinness certificate



Rod Price with Guinness Certificate

# **NOTICE**

# 2021 USCA Aluminum Nationals Cancelled

The 2021 Aluminum Nationals in Poplar Bluff Missouri has been cancelled due to issues with the Federal access boat ramp at the start and the city park at finish.

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# 2021 USCA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS WARREN, PA

#### STEVEN HORNEY



Greg Barton and Mike Herbert smoking the course in K2 Men on Friday Photo Credit: Shutter Photography by Kelli

After a tumultuous year of deep political divides and a pandemic to boot, it was exceptionally nice to come together again for some pure and exciting paddle racing at this year's USCA Nationals in Warren, PA. (Many thanks to our hosts for taking on this event!) Not that

the Nationals didn't have its own challenges in just coming together this year, but once in place it sure appeared to be a roaring success. I heard attendance was less than in some prior years, as would be expected with the current travel challenges for many, but you wouldn't

have known it from the level of participation.

Kayaking was big in the 2021 Nationals; on Friday 14 K1 Open Women came to the line and competition was fierce (I remember a few years back when a woman won this



99 year old (!) Mike Fremont with partner Mike Miller paddling C2 Standard Men on Friday Photo Credit: Shutter Photography by Kelli

class with a plastic boat because no one else signed up.) During the past couple of Nationals I watched Hollie Hall easily trounce the competition, but not this year. Elaine Harold and Alessia Favario pulled 3 minutes ahead of Hollie by the finish, with Savannah (Herbert) Wright coming in neck and neck with Hollie (just edging her out). Now that was some competition! Elaine Harold and Hollie Hall teamed up Sunday in K2 Unlimited Women to set a smoking time, just 9 minutes or so off that of Greg Barton and Mike Herbert .

Big news on the male side of kayak competition was the participation of Greg Barton in this year's Nationals. We haven't seen Greg at the Nationals for a few years, so it was very exciting to see him show up for a classic showdown with Mike Herbert (or is that a showdown of classics?). But first Greg and Mike teamed up set a smoking time in K2 Men on Friday. Not many can run with a team that powerful! On Saturday Greg Barton teamed up with Roxanne Barton to run C2 Mixed, recreating their team from 40 years

this time, but they were just edged out of 2<sup>nd</sup> place (by less than a second) by the far younger team of Danny Medina and Cecili Bugge. Of course, those young whippersnappers Mike and Rebecca Davis (naturally Barton relations) took the overall win by about 2 minutes. Meanwhile Mike Herbert and his daughter Savannah Wright

stayed in the kayaks for a round of K2 Mixed, being edged out of first place (by under 20 seconds) by the team of Elaine Harold and Scott Cummins. Sunday Greg and Mike matched up in K1 Man, with Greg dominating and setting the course record for this Nationals.

While canoe numbers may have been lower than usual, the quality was definitely there! Friday featured some very tight racing between the C2 Men teams of Weston Willoughby / Mike Davis, Calvin Hassel / Bill Torongo, and Paul Olney / Danny Medina, with just seconds between these teams at the

finish. On Sunday in C1 Man, Mike Davis, Calvin Hassel, and Weston Willoughby once again duked it out, with roughly 2 minutes between each competitor at the finish.

Prior to the marathon events, 8 youths showed up Thursday to challenge one another in Youth

prior. They didn't win Sprints and the 1 Mile Loop. Their this time, but they times looked really good. Look to were just edged out of these kids to be quite the competi2nd place (by less than tors in just a few years!

While I've highlighted some of the top competitors, the real fun of the Nationals is being with fellow competitors of all skill levels from around the country, and renewing those friendships we make every year while we're there. Paddlers ranged in ages ranged from 5 (Lizzy Josefik) to 99 (Mike Fremont!) and boats ranged from the recreational to the elite to the weird. The weird was defined by me: following Tony Bond's lead from a couple of years ago, I created a "special" OC1. Fearing the water levels would be low and hazardous to my delicate ocean OC1, I created a "tough" OC1 by mating my Stellar SEL Multi-Sport "ruggedized" surf ski with a skateboard deck (the "iako") and an RC seaplane hull (the "ama"), then paddled the contraption with a canoe paddle. It actually worked surprisingly well, but raising the seat and getting a more streamlined ama would definitely be beneficial (I didn't set any records...). As it turned out, the water levels were higher than I've usually seen at Warren, but it was a fun experiment!



Tackling the Warren course in my "custom" OC1! Photo Credit: Shutter Photography by Kelli

# 2021 USCA NATIONALS: RESULTS

Code Name	start seq.	Boat No.	Last Name	First Name	State	Age	Partner Last Name	First Name	State	Age	Net time	Place
C1 Youth 5-7	1	1	Josefik	Lizzy	IL	5					04:22.3	
C2 Youth 11-12	4	6	Josefik	Mike	IL	9	Josefik	Luke	IL	11	01:38.0	
C1 Youth 8-10	2	1	Josefik	Mike	IL	9					21	
K1 Youth 11-12	2	2	McCracken	Alan	PA	12					01:25.1	
C2 Youth 5-7												
K1 Youth 8-10												
C1 Youth 11-12	5 5	1 2	Josefik McCracken	Luke Alan	IL PA	11 12					01:45.6 01:46.2	
C2 Youth 8-10												
K1 Youth 5-7	1	4	Lucas	Haley	PA	7					02:35.0	

Code Name	start seq.	Boat No.	Last Name	First Name	State	Age	Partner Last Name	First Name	State	Age	Net time	Place
C1 Woman/Junior 15-17	3	4	Staubach	Samantha	NY	15					01:26.0	
C2 Boys Youth 13-14												
K1 Boys Youth 13-14	2	3	Whitmer	Stephen	PA	14					01:26.7	
C1 Man Junior 15-17	3	5	Braman	Matthew	NY	15					03:00.0	
C2 Girls Youth 13-14												
C2/K2 Mixed Junior 5-17	7	4	Josefik	Lizzy	IL	5	Josefik	Luke	IL	11	01:55.9	
SUP Unlimited Man 5-17	6	10	McCracken	Alan	PA	12					02:00.4	

Code Name	start seq.	Boat No.	Last Name	First Name	State	Age	Net time	Place	
C1 Youth 5-7		0300000				-			
C1 Youth 8-10	12	2	Josefik	Mike	IL	9	20:27.0	1	
C1 Youth 11-12	12	3	Josefik	Luke	IL	11	15:32.1	1	
K1 Youth 5-7	12	1	Lucas	Haley	PA	7	29:55.3	1	
K1 Youth 8-10									
K1 Youth 11-12	12	4	McCracken	Alan	PA	12			
	12	. 5	Whitmer	Stephen	PA	14	13:10.6	2	
C1 Youth Woman	12	6	Stauback	Samantha	NY	15	12:33.7	1	

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Code Name	Age Group	Boat No.	Last Name	First Name	State	Age	Partner Last Name	First Name	State	Age	Net time	Overa II Place	F
1 Woman	Open	A2	Davis	Rebecca	MI	30					1:44:07.09	1	1
	Open	A5	Peck	Katie	NY	26					1:48:10.56	2	2
	Vet1	A1	Bradley	Barb	WI	64					1:56:39.34	3	1
	Senior	A4	McDuffie	Lynne	NC	58					2:04:48.15	4	1
2 Men Open	-												
z men open	Open	D18	Williamson	Robert	PA	76	Williamson	Colin	PA	27	********		
	Open	D4	Davis	Michael	MI	30	Willoughby	Weston	MI	30	1:33:06.03	1	1
	Senior	D10	Hassel	Calvin	NB	57	Torongo	Bill	MI	59	1:33:16.21	2	1
	Open	D15	Medina	Danny	MI	27	Olney	Paul	NY	58	1:33:26.66	3	2
	Senior	D2	Curley	Ed	NY	57	Limberg	Allen	WI	64	1:34:11.53	4	2
	Open vet1	D14 D9	Mecklenburg Gruber	Travis Paul	OH PA	18 63	Mecklenburg Martin	Dan Steve	OH PA	59 65	1:38:02.66	5	3
	Open	D5	Dunbar	James	DC	28	Kirk	Dylan	MA	28	1:39:52.36	7	4
	gv1	D7	Fairchild	Michael	VT	70	Heed	Peter	NH	71	1:39:54.58	8	1
	Vet1	D16	Pederson	Jeff	NY	60	Wagner	Ed	NY	60	1:40:49.36	9	2
	gv1	D6	Edwards	John	FL	72	Thomas	Tom	IN	75	1:43:00.60	10	2
	Senior	D8	Finnen	John	PA	62	Gustin	Dave	PA	58	1:44:11.29	11	3
	GV2	D17	Tyrone	Roy	TX	77	Machacek	Sten	CANADA	78	1:45:11.32	12	1
	GV1 Vet1	D1 D12	Bruno	Charlie Mark	PA NY	73 64	Casale Kostra	John Bill	MA PA	72 69	1:45:40.90	13 14	3
	GM	D12	Kopta Davis	Mark	NY	81	Vandewinckel	Glen	NY NY	82	1:56:54.32	15	1
	GV2	D11	Henry	Roger	NY	79	Lysick	Nick	MA	78	2:02:02.09		2
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	senior	E4	Maier	John	NY	50	Newman	Jeff	NY	50	1:45:31.09	1	1
	Senior	E1	Bechtel	Greg	OH	59	Moller	Bernie	OH	69	1:46:36.53	2	2
	master	E3	Josefik	Ben	IL.	48	Pennington	Doug	MO	64	1:49:10.50	3	1
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	Senior	G18	Witmer	David	PA	54					*********		
	vet1	G20	Mallory	James	NY	63					1:33:04.48	1	1
	master	G13	Poacher	Bruce	TN	49					1:35:25.53	2	1
	senior	G10 G14	Norbury	Christopher	PA NY	50 62					1:36:57.48	3	1 2
	vet1 gv1	G16	Raymonda Stevens	Bob David	NC	74					1:39:09.39	5	1
	Senior	G2	Dunkelberger	John	PA	53					1:40:38.97	6	2
	vet1	G9	Moriarty	Dennis	NY	64					1:40:50.21	7	3
	vet2	G6	Kieffer	Henri	NC	69					1:41:52.18	8	1
	vet1	G12	Nye	Mark	FL	60					1:42:11.02		4
	Senior	G4	Hainan	Robert	PA	50		24			1:42:12.78	1 1000	3
	vet1	G8	Lucas	Hansel II	PA	61					1:45:03.88	11	5
	vet2	G1 G7	Baumert	Daniel	ME	68					1:45:14.25 1:45:16.21	100000000000000000000000000000000000000	2
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	vet1	G11	Nugent	Bob	ME	61					1:47:29.18		7
	gv2	G15	Scofield	Ralph	MI	78					1:48:02.76		2
	gv1	G19	Woodruff	William	VA	71					1:48:07.88	17	2
	gv2	G3	Gardner	Bill	SC	77					1:50:19.37	18	2
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	Open	F15	Wright	Savanna	AR	23					1:39:32.42		2
	Open	F3	Hall	Hollie	OH	37					1:39:33.51	4	3
	vet2	F4	Hanowski	JoAnn	VT	65					1:40:19.56		1
	master	F13	Vogl	Andrea	VT	46					1:43:05.16		2
	Open	F10	Schell	Stephanie	PA	30					1:45:47.26		4
	master	F7 F9	Lili Mitravich	Loukia Julie	NJ VA	40 47					1:47:00.98		3
	master Senior	F12	Spang	Edna	PA	53					1:47:08.14		1
	master	F1	Dudziak	Jennie	FL	44					1:51:05.00		5
	Open	F14	Walborn	Taylor	PA	27					1:51:38.77	12	5
	Open	F6	Lamb	Erin	NJ	33					1:55:01.53		6
	Senior	F8	Lucas	Kim	PA	57					1:58:53.04	14	2
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	vet1	C2	Horney	Steven	IN	61					1:57:29.98	2	1
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K1 Touring Woman				1000200									
	Master	A2	Mitravich	Julie	VA	47					1:45:45.13	1	1
	Master	A1.	Dudziak	Jennie	FL	44					1:52:30.83	5	2
	Master	A6	Segelson	Teresa	PA	42					1:59:07.61	6	3
	Open	A5	Walborn	Taylor	PA	27					1:46:59.21	3	1
	Senior	A4	Spang	Edna	PA	53				$\vdash$	1:46:24.01	2	1
	Senior	A7	Christoff	Valey	PA	51					1:50:16.73	4	2
K1 Sea Kayak Man													
	grv1	B20	Stevens	David	NC	74					1:41:58.31	7	1
	grv1	B25	Woodruff	William	VA	71			-		1:48:38.45	15	2
	grv2	B13	Leszek	Ed	OH	75					1:47:22.61	14	1
	grv2	B19	Scofield	Ralph	MI	78			-	$\overline{}$	1:51:17.25	19	2
	master	B22	Thomas	David	MA	43			-		1:48:45.44	16	1
	mgv	B21	Stover	John	MI	80		-	-		1:46:57.59	12	1
	open	B14	Lindenpitz	John	PA	30			-		1:38:43.57	13	1
	Senior Senior	B7 B9	Dunkelberger Ha	John	PA MD	53 59					1:45:59.42	10	2
	Senior	B23	Witmer	Chung	PA	54				$\vdash$	1:50:02.46	18	3
	Senior	B23	Corbett	Steve	MD	54					1:51:40.59	20	4
		B16		James	NY	63					1:35:26.06	1	1
	vet1 vet1	B24	Mallory Widman	Rick	OH	62					1:41:48.41	6	2
	vet1	B17	Nye	Mark	FL	60					1:42:32.01	8	3
	vet1	B12	King	Doug	ОН	63					1:46:15.46	11	4
	Vet1	B1	Ammon	Brian	PA	63					1:49:04.42	17	5
	Vet2	B3	Bellinger	William	MI	67					1:37:17.04	3	1
	vet2	B5	Budi	James	SC	69					1:38:50.14	5	2
	Vet2	B2	Baumert	Daniel	ME	68					1:45:58.54	9	3
	WAVED AGE	B18	Poacher	Bruce	TN	49					1:35:48.50	2	
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	open	1900	Vanderwinckel	Glen		-	Ripton	Annie	NY	22	1:59:36.78	4	2
	Senior	C1 C2	Curran	Colleen	OH	52 64	Bechtel	Greg	OH	59	1:44:46.85	2	1
	vet1 vet2	C6	Kopta Wall	Mark Marilyn	OH	68	Kopta Moller	Laura Bernie	OH	63	2:04:03.84	5	1
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	open	D8	Davis	Michael	MI	30	Davis	Rebecca	MI	30	1:32:49.43	1	1
	open	D7	Bugge	Cecili	TX	21	Medina	Danny	MI	27	1:34:35.41	2	2
	open	D1	Peck	Katie	NY	26	Dunbar	James	DC	28	1:36:08.14	4	3
	open	D16	Olney	Paul	NY	58	Olney	JoAnn	NY	20	1:39:46.20	6	4
	open	D10	Gruber	Paul	PA	63	Kibbey	Miranda	PA	30	1:45:37.17	10	5
	senior	DZ DAE	Heed	Peter	NH	/1	Brax	Deb	OH	59	1:40:51.50	8	1
	Senior wet1	D15	Crouch	Hellen	NY	63	Haines	Russell	OH	57	1:41:08.42	9	2
	vet1	D6	Barton	Greg	WA	61	Barton	Roxanne	MI	64	1:34:35.80	57.5	
	vet1 vet2	D14 D11	Linberg Martin	Allen Steve	WI PA	64 65	Bradley Stout	Barb Teresa	PA	64 67	1:37:28.78	7	1
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	master	G3	Cummins	Scott	KY	46	Harold	Elaine	KY	40	1:25:30.74	1	1
	master	G7	Vogl	Andrea	VT	46	Hanson	Will	OH	47	1:32:25.57	5	2
	Master	G9	Lucas	Jody	PA	49	Lucas III	Hansel	PA	38	1:38:21.47	7	3
	open	G5	Hall	Hollie	OH	37	White	Joe	OH	38	1:28:01.89	3	1
	open .	G2	Lamb	Erin	NJ	33	Lamb	Alan	NJ	35	1:33:26.54	6	2
	senior	G1	Norbury	Christopher	PA	50	Faverio	Alessia	NC	29	1:32:23.57	4	1
	Senior	G6	Hainan	Robert	PA	50	Valette	Ella	PA	16	1:43:34.15	8	2
	vet1	G11	Hull	Thomas	OH	64	Timm	Ragual	OH	56	2:06:50.11	9	1
	vet1	G4	Herbert	Mike	AR	60	Wright	Savannah	AR	23	1:25:49.33	2	2
C2 Man/Youth, short o	ourse												
	Adult/youth	H2	Josefik	Luke	IL	11	Pennington	Doug	MO	64	1:30:09.99	1	1
	Adult/youth	H1	Josefik	Mike	IL	9	Josefik	Ben	IL	48	1:30:15.21	2	2

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C2 Woman	open	B3	Olney	Jo	NY	20	Davis	Rebecca	MI	31	1:39:42.83	1	1
Z FFORMALI	open	B1	Peck	Katie	NY	26	Roberts	Megan	PA	42	1:39:45.22	2	2
	open	B2	Bugge	Cecili	TX	21	Barton	Roxanne	MI	64	1:43:22.63	3	3
	vet1	B6	Crouch	Helen	NY	63	Brax	Debbie	ОН	59	1:44:01.69	4	1
	vet1	B5	Kopta	Lauraellen	PA	62	Stout	Teresa	PA	67	1:48:16.15	5	2
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(1 Unlimited Man	gmv	C32	Stover	John	MI	80					1:48:56.38	23	1
	gvet1	C9	Fredericks	Jim	VT	71					1:40:17.88	17	1
	gvet1	C35	Woodruff	William	VA	71					1:50:59.89	24	2
	gvet2	C10	Gardner	Bill	SC	77					1:53:43.88	25	1
	gvet2	C30	Scofield	Ralph	MI	78					1:53:50.27	26	2
	master	C6	Cummins	Scott	KY	46					1:25:49.78	3	1
	master	C28	Poacher	Bruce	TN	49					1:29:36.65	6	2
	master	C13	Hanson	William	ОН	47					1:34:53.13	12	3
	open	C20	Lamb	Alan	NJ	35					1:25:43.06	2	1
	open	C24	Medina	Danny	MI	27					1:29:50.41	7	2
	open	C34	White	Joe	OH	38					1:33:40.42	9	3
	open	C29	Rogich	Nikolai	OH	33					1:41:13.18	19	4
	senior	C12	Glover	Dale	PA	50					1:33:41.63	10	1
	senior	C7	Dunkelberger	John	PA	53					1:34:47.57	11	2
	senior	C18	Kaiser	Ron	PA	58					1:37:58.03	13	3
	100000000000000000000000000000000000000	C2		Greg	WA	61					1:21:08.62	13	1
	vet1	C16	Barton Herbert	Mike	AR	60					1:26:45.72	4	2
	vet1	C23				63					1:26:45.72	5	3
	vet1	C23	Mallory	James	NY	1000000						-	
	vet1	C27	Nye	Mark	FL	60					1:38:24.71	15	4
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	vet1	C11	George	John	PA	61					2:26:35.16	27	6
	vet2	C4	Bellinger	William	MI	67					1:31:34.58	8	1
	vet2	C25	Michalec	Robert	NY	66					1:37:58.03	14	2
	vet2	C36	Budi	James	SC	69					1:38:38.46	16	3
	vet2	C19	Kieffer	Henri	NC	69					1:41:01.46	18	4
	vet2	C14	Harmon	Daniel	PA	68					1:41:32.35	20	5
	vet2	C3	Baumert	Daniel	ME	68					1:48:20.96	22	6
K1 Sea Kayak Woman	master	D3	Mitchavich	Julie	VA	47					1:47:12.16	1	1
	master	D1	Dudziak	Jennie	FL	44					1:50:38.30	4	2
	open	D5	Walborn	Taylor	PA	27					1:52:43.50	5	1
	senior	D8	Curran	Colleen	OH	55					1:47:26.54	2	1
	senior	D4	Spang	Edna	PA	53					1:49:03.16	3	2
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C1 Man	gmv	E5	Davis	Alec	NY	81					2:01:05.44	21	1
	gmv	E25	Vandewinckel	Glen	NY	84					2:15:16.43	22	2
	gvet1	E8	Fairchild	Michael	VT	70					1:40:00.86	8	1
	gvet1	E7	Edward	John	FL	72					1:43:38.95	10	2
	gvet1	E3	Casale	John	MA	72					1:46:29.82	16	3
	gvet1	E2	Bruno	Charlie	PA	74					1:47:22.65	18	4
	gvet2	E23	Thomas	Tom	IN	76		7			1:45:02.70	12	1
	gvet2	E21	Sayre	Ed	PA	75					1:45:25.63	14	2
	gvet2	E16	Lyesiuk	Nick	MS	77					1:48:37.12	19	3
	gvet2	E1	Allen	Bob	MA	77					1:53:25.09	20	4
	onon	E6	Davis	Michael	MI	30					1:30:39.88	1	1
	open	E26	Willoughby	Weston	MI	30					1:34:08.14	3	2
	senior	E12	Hassel	Calvin	NB	57					1:32:19.64	2	1
	senior	E24	Torongo	Bill	MI	59					1:36:07.85	4	2
		E19	Olney	Wes	NY	58					1:38:09.82	6	3
	senior	100000000000000000000000000000000000000			-	64							
	vet1	E15	Linberg	Allen	WI	62					1:37:19.76	5	1
	vet1	E9	Finnen	John	PA	V 10.00					1:44:58.81 1:45:21.56	11	2
	vet1	E11	Gruber	Paul	PA	63						13	3
	vet1	E20	Pederson	Jeff	NY	60					1:46:30.82	17	4
	vet2	E10	Fries	Michael	NY	68					1:39:06.80	7	1
	vet2	E17	Martin	Steve	PA	65					1:41:56.14	9	2
	vet2	E13	Kostra	Bill	PA	69					1:46:16.85	15	3
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# 2021 USCA NATIONALS: PHOTOS

#### THURSDAY YOUTH SPRINTS













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#### **SUNDAY MARATHON**







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