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ABT1 – General Information

The Alberta Sprint Racing Canoe Association (ASRCA) serves as the provincial governing body to promote and develop the sport of Sprint Canoe & Kayak in Alberta. ASRCA will hold the first of two 2024 Alberta Team Trials (Spring - ABT1 & Fall - ABT2) as part of the ongoing assessment of provincial sprint canoe and kayak competitors and utilize results to nominate athletes for Provincial Teams. Note: This document only deals with ABT1.

Location – Leduc, Telford Lake
Date – Sunday, May 26, 2024

● Events — C1 and K1: 2000m Time Trials and 200m Races

Registration at https://asrca.com/pages/abt1-may-26-2024

- Open May 10

– Due by May 20, 11:59 pm

- Entry Fee $\,$ - \$50, including lunch / \$40 if no lunch

- \$60 late entry (after May 20)

- Team Leaders Meeting Wednesday, May 22, 7:00 pm MST
 - A video call link will be sent out to required attendees on May 21

ABT1- 1. Purpose

- a) Establish discipline and overall provincial athlete ranking lists
- b) Monitor the state of the competitive provincial population (Depth of Field Inventory)
- c) Nominate athletes to the Alberta 2024 Canada Cup Race Team "Team AB."

ABT1- 2. Eligibility

- a) Open to ASRCA club members; of all ages; who are in good standing with the ASRCA clubs.
- b) Athletes must be current competitive members with Canoe Kayak Canada (RAMP Registration).
- c) Entries must have the endorsement of a Sprint Canoe Kayak Coach (ELCC minimum). Coaches should use sound judgment as athletes must complete the course within the scheduled time.
- d) Club uniforms are not required.

ABT1-3. Rules

- a) Entries:
 - i) Athletes may register for canoe or kayak disciplines but not both.
 - ii) ABT1 registration will serve as an entry for all event distances.
 - iii) Registration is final, and fees are not refundable.
 - iv) The withdrawal or scratch of an entry is final if made after the Team Leaders Meeting.

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	Men Kayak	Men Canoe	Women Kayak	Women Canoe	Start orde	r and lane	assignme	ents:				
10:30	MK 2000m				Starting order of 2000m Time Trials is by dicipline with Men Kayak							
10:45		MC 2000m			1st, Men Canoe 2nd, Women Kayak 3rd, and Women Canoe 4th							
11:00			WK 2000m		Within ea	ch diciplin	e, older at	th elt es sta	rt before	younger.2	000m	
11:15				WC 2000m	results wi	ll be used	top seed 2	00m heat	5.			
		LUNCH BREA	k K									
1.00	200m Heat 1											
1:03	200m Heat 2											
1:06	200m Heat 3				Progressio	on from 20	000m resu	Its to 200r	n Heats if	2 5 heats	i·	
1:09	200m Heat 4					Lane 1	Lane 2	Lane 3	Lane 4	Lane 5	Lane 6	
1; 12	200m Heat 5				Heat 1	9	5	1	4	8	12	
1:15		200m Heat 1			Heat 2	1 0	6	2	3	7	11	
1:18		200m Heat 2										
1:21		200m Heat 3			Heat 1	13	7	1	6	12	18	
1:24			200m Heat 1		Heat 2	14	8	2	5	11	17	
1;27			200m Heat 2		Heat 3	1 5	9	3	4	10	16	
1:30			200m Heat 3									
1:33			200m Heat 4		Heat 1	17	9	1	8	16	24	
1:36			200m Heat 5		Heat 2	18	10	2	7	15	23	
1:39				200m Heat 1	Heat 3	1 9	11	3	6	14	22	
1:42				200m Heat 2	Heat 4	20	12	4	5	13	21	
1:45												
	•	COURSE BRE	AK		Heat 1	21	11	1	10	20	30	
2-30	Semi A				Heat 2	22	12	2	9	19	29	
2:33	Semi B				Heat 3	23	13	3	8	18	28	
2:36	SemiC				Heat 4	24	14	4	7	17	27	
2:39		Semi A			Heat 5	25	15	5	6	16	26	
2:42		Semi B										
2:45												
2:48			Semi A									
2:51			Semi B		Progression	on to Sem	i Finals fro	m 200m l	Heats if 2	5 heats:		
2:54			Semí C			Lane 1	Lane 2	Lane 3	Lane 4	Lane 5	Lane 6	
2:57				Semi A	Semi1	7:NBT	3:NBT	H1/1st	2/NBT	6/NBT	10/NBT	
3:00				Semi B	Semi 2	8:NBT	4:NBT	H2:1st	1:NBT	5:NBT	9:NBT	
3:03												
	1	FINALS			Semi1	10/NBT	4:NB1	H1/1st	3/NB1	9/NBT	15/NB1	
3:48	1 6 from SF				Semi 2	11/NBT		H2:1st	2:NBT	8:NBT	14/NBT	
3:51	7_12 from SF				Semi 3		6/NBT	H3/1st	1/NBT	7:NBT	13/NBT	
3.54	13_18 From SF											
3;57	19 25 from Heats				Progressio	on to Final	s from 20	Om Semi F	inals if 2-	3 Semi Fi	nals:	
4:00		1_6 from SF				Lane 1	Lane 2	Lane 3	Lane 4	Lane 5	Lane 6	
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4:09			1 6 From SF									
4:12			7 12 from 5F		FA	2/NBT	53/1st	51/1st	52/1st	1/NBT	3:NBT	
4: 15			13_18 from SF		FB		6: NBT			7/NBT		
4: 18			19 25 from Heats	1 Gfrom SF	FC		12/NBT					
4: 21			13 Exhibitificats	7_12 from SF		17, 1101	12,1101	10,1101	11,1101	10,1901	10,1901	

Figure B: Sample of race day program including 2000m Time Trials and 200m events (NBT=Next By Time). NOTE: Start times and Intervals may change – check before the event at www.asrca.com

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b) Late entries:

- The Chief Official may, in exceptional circumstances, accept late additions on the day of competition.
- ii) Late additions must be given in writing to the Chief Official at least one (1) hour before the day's first race.
- iii) Late additions will not be permitted if they result in the creation of additional heats.
- c) Canoe Kayak Canada Sprint Competition rules will govern racing, with any rule modifications being included in this document or communicated during the Team Leaders Meeting.
- d) ABT1 event order & time:
 - i) Event and start times will depend on entries and will be updated at the Team Leaders meeting and posted at <u>www.asrca.com</u>; the chief official will communicate further modifications made on the day of the competition. See Figure B for a sample race day format.
 - ii) To meet the ASRCA objectives, the ASRCA Technical Director (TD) or appointed representative may instruct the Chief official to alter the competition program.
 - iii) The sequence of races and the intervals between the races are binding on the Chief Official unless authorized by the TD or appointed representative.
 - iv) If the outlined process cannot occur, ASRCA reserves the right to modify, cancel or replace procedures to meet its objectives.

ABT1- 4. Placement

- a) 2000m Time Trials:
 - i) Start order will be by discipline, with Men Kayak starting first, followed by Men Canoe, Women's Kayak and then Women's Canoe.
 - ii) Within each discipline, older competitors will start before younger ones.
- b) 200m Races:
 - i) Heats, Semi-finals and finals will have a maximum of 6 entries with lane markers on both sides and spanning the length of the competition course for all athletes.
 - ii) Requests to 'place' athletes or for entry modification based on boat availability, conflicts, etc., will not be considered.
 - iii) Results from heats will advance athletes to the semifinals and finals.
 - iv) If no heats are required, progression to the final will be seeded from 2000m results.
 - v) Finals are limited to A, B, C and D (24 athletes).
 - vi) Scratched entries (lanes) from heats will remain empty unless redrawn to fewer heats to rebalance the field.
 - vii) If an athlete withdraws from a final, and if there is sufficient notice, a lower-ranked athlete(s) will be advanced; lane assignments will be adjusted.

ABT1-5. Equipment

- a) Boats:
 - i) Shorter-than-regulation-length sprint competition boats (mini-boats) may compete without meeting the minimum weight requirement; however, results achieved in a mini-boat or underweight boat will not be eligible for Team selection.
 - ii) Athletes are solely responsible for their equipment to meet the required specifications.

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b) Boat Weight:

- i) Boat weight may be monitored and must meet minimum regulations (K1= 12kg, C1 = 14kg).
- ii) Officials are not responsible for knowing what entries use mini-boats; ALL must report to boat control when called, regardless of the boat class used.
- iii) The boat scale will be available to athletes 2 hours before the first scheduled race.
- iv) ASRCA is not responsible for providing athletes with boat ballast. Sand, tape, and bags may be available but are not guaranteed. Teams and athletes should refrain from assuming such ballast or supplies will be provided.
- v) The Chief Official retains the authority to call any/all boats to the weigh station following an event.
- vi) At a minimum, the top three crews in each race and one randomly selected crew will report to boat control.
- vii) Athletes should avoid interacting with others and proceed directly to the boat weigh station. Failing to do so may result in disqualification.
- viii) Failure to report to boat control will result in disqualification from the specific event, and no rank will be recorded.

c) Number plates:

- i) ASRCA will provide 2000m boat number plates.
- ii) Athletes and clubs are responsible for 200m race boat number plates.
- iii) The starter 'may' have extra boat numbers, which the athlete can request.
- iv) If an athlete reports to the race start with an improper or missing number plate, the competitor's club will be assessed a penalty fee of \$30. When possible, the starter will provide the competitor with a replacement number or allow the competitor to race without a number. After one hour, if a number provided by the starter is not returned, an additional \$25 fee will be billed to the club.

ABT1- 6. Authority

- a) The ASRCA appoints the Chief Official to administer the competition. The TD or appointed ASRCA representative is the overarching authority.
- b) Team AB nominations are the authority of a TD-appointed selection panel, with the TD serving as chair. The TD will appoint panel members, and the ASRCA president must approve them.
- c) The TD may terminate the appointment of any Selection Panel member or appoint additional member(s) if they consider it appropriate.
- d) The TD may direct any member of the Selection Panel to vacate if biased or in a conflict of interest see ASRCA conflict of Interest Policy.
- e) The ASRCA President may terminate the involvement of the TD with the Selection Panel if they consider it appropriate to do so. In this case, the President will appoint a replacement, or if proper, themselves as the chair of the Selection Panel.
- f) The Selection Panel will submit nominations to the ASRCA board for final approval.
- g) If criteria cannot be used under fair conditions or as intended, the TD and the selection panel may use alternative methods.

ABT1- 7. Participant Responsibility

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- a) Be familiar with the racecourse and event details; assessment and selection policies as communicated via official channels such as presented at the Team Leaders meeting or posted to www.asrca.com.
- b) Where incorrect or conflicting information exists, the details in the most recent PDF of this document, posted to www.asrca.com, will be considered correct.
- c) All costs to attend the event, including but not limited to travel, equipment, accommodation, and entry fees—no club team or athlete financial support to attend the ABT1 will be provided.

ABT1-8. Appeals

- a) The ASRCA Appeals Policy is available on the ASRCA website.
- b) Athletes shall only be permitted to appeal when they are directly affected by a decision. Any athlete not considered for a crew/team/pool shall not have the right to appeal a selection decision.

ABT1-9. Safety Considerations

- a) The local hosting group is responsible for the site-specific Safety Plan.
- b) All competitors must abide by the Canoe Kayak Canada Code of Safety.
- c) All competitors must wear a PFD if required by CKC or the local authority. Note: Inflatable PFDs are not acceptable for U16 age-class competitors.

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2024 CANADA CUP RACING TEAM ("Team AB")

CCE 1. Team AB Objective

- a. ASRCA will use results from ABT1 to select athletes to compete as Team AB for the 2024 Canada Cup East.
- b. The ASRCA aims to provide appropriate high-level competition for athletes on a CSG and International performance pathway:
 - i. Possible 2025 Canada Summer Team members
 - ii. Senior athletes (older than Canada Games age) who have demonstrated potential to make future international teams.

CCE 2. Eligibility

- a. CSG 2025 Potentials:
 - i. All athletes must meet the 2025 Canada Summer Games Eligibility.
 - ii. Team AB will select athletes in the CKC Long Term Athlete Development 'Learn to Compete' and above stage. Accordingly, Team AB's minimum age is 14 (born 2011), and the maximum is U21 as of January 01, 2025 (born 2004 or later).
 - iii. Athletes must be CKC competitive sprint members, in good standing, and have no outstanding fines/fees payable to ASRCA.
- b. Senior athletes must have a combined ranking above all CSG 2025 Potentials.

CCE 3. Canada Cup Team Size

- a. CSG 2025 Potentials:
 - i. 4 athletes in each discipline will be selected to allow for K4 and C4 Crews.
 - ii. 2 left, and 2 right-sided canoe athletes for men and women crews will be selected.
 - iii. Maximum Team Size of 16 (8 men and 8 women).
 - iv. If 4 athletes in a given discipline cannot be selected, the selection committee will award the remaining spots to the same gender.
- b. Senior Team:
 - i. Maximum Team Size of 8 Seniors (older than Canada Games age)
 - ii. A maximum of 2 competitors in each discipline will be ranked and selected from ABT1.

CCE 4. Nomination Procedure

- a. Step 1 For each discipline and distance, the winner of the event will be nominated to the team, provided they achieve a Top-6 discipline combined-distance rank.
- b. Step 2 The remaining spots will be filled from the 2000m/200m combined distance ranking.
- c. Competitors with the highest accumulated point totals will be nominated before those with lower point totals.
- d. Points will be awarded, with the winner of the Final-A receiving 16 points, 2nd place receiving 15, 3rd receiving 14, and so on.
- e. Athletes selected based on a win in one or more of the distances will be removed from the discipline ranking list, and the list will be recalculated before filling the remaining spots.
- f. Where a tie exists, the athlete with the highest 200m placing will rank above the other.

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- g. If a race-off is needed, the challenging crew will face off against the lowest-ranked athlete named to the team. For canoe, left-right considerations will apply (the left challenger will race the lowest-ranked left; the right challenger will race the lowest-ranked right).
- h. The Selection Committee will meet within two days of the conclusion of the ABT1 to finalize nominations.
- i. Athletes nominated to Team AB will be announced within 5 days of the conclusion of the ABT1.

CCE 5. Accepting a Nomination

a. Athletes who wish to accept a Team AB nomination must sign the Athlete Code of Conduct and any team-specific contract necessary. By accepting a nomination to Team AB, an athlete agrees to participate fully in all team events, including training camps, competitions, and seminars deemed mandatory by ASRCA (unless they receive approval from the TD).

CCE 6. Removal/Withdrawal

- a. Once selected for Team AB, athletes must abide by ASRCA, CKC, and Canada Summer Games policies and remain in good standing.
- b. If an athlete breaches a policy, athlete code of conduct, or team-specific contract or does not act in the sport's best interest, their case will be referred to the technical committee for review.
- c. The TD will have the final say on the outcome, and the athlete may be removed from Team AB.
- d. If an athlete is unable to meet team obligations, the next-ranked athlete will be nominated to fill the vacant spot.

CCE 7. Competition Entries

a. The Canada Cup Team AB Coach will determine all Team AB crews and race entries. The Canada Cup Team AB Coach will be decided by the ASRCA Board.

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ASRCA DEPTH OF FIELD & RANKING

DEP 1. Discipline Ranking

- a) ASRCA monitors the provincial pool of competitive athletes and will use results from ABT1 to establish a depth-of-field inventory and calculate provincial ranking lists.
- b) The depth-of-field and associated ranking lists are not 'Team AB' lists. See Specific Selection Criteria for Team AB.
- c) Distance-specific and overall ranking lists will be for Canoe Men, Kayak Men, Canoe Women, and Kayak Women.
- d) Age classes will be identified (U14, U16, U18, U22, Senior).
- e) If there are 30 competitors, the winner gets 30 points; the second place gets 29 points; the third place gets 28 points, and so on.
- f) Athletes will be ranked according to the combined distance score, with the highest score representing the best rank.
- g) If an athlete earning a final entry fails to complete the final, the athlete will be assigned the lowest available ranking within the final; if 6 entries, the athlete will be ranked 6th.
- h) No athlete from a lower-level final will be ranked above one from a higher-level final, regardless of performance.

DEP 2. Overall Ranking (Cross-Discipline)

- a) The overall ranking uses performance time across disciplines by converting performance times to a percentage of discipline-specific world standards.
- b) World standards are based on multi-year World Championship or Olympic results.
- c) An example of World-Standard-Times is below for U23. Standards used may be re-calculated based on recent international data.

MC1 500m	MK1 500m	WK1 500m	WC1 500m
1:50.0	1:38.5	1:49.5	2:08.0

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