

THE CATCH



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June 11 Fun Day

While it was disappointing that the Welland Dragon Boat Festival was cancelled due to lack of registrants, SNCC made “lemonade out of lemons” and still had a fun day of dragon boating and team bonding. Thank you to Sondra Beach, Canal Dragons and Hope Floats, for sharing your pictures from the day on FaceBook. If you have pictures to share to add to our Archives, please email Kathleen or post them to the SNCC FaceBook page.



Paddles Up!



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

The SNCC Compound Develops



With the support of the Trillium Grow Grant, South Niagara Canoe Club is growing and changing. Here are views of the new mesh fabric around the fence that advertises the club and the many programs offered here. Also new to the club, five shipping containers, a war canoe, and an RV. Ongoing work by the Board of Directors, our Head Coach, and our volunteers continue to help SNCC thrive!

National Team Trials #2

National Team Trials took place in Montreal, QC at Olympic Basin in Jean Drapeau Park over June 24-June 27 weekend. Congratulations to SNCC athletes Austin Pigeon and Aimee Pigeon on their hard work. Austin made the Junior World Team and Aimee placed 10th for the U17 age group. Austin met his C-2 partner at National Team Trials and with very few practices, the pair finished second in their race and their finals. To watch the races visit YouTube [here](#) and to review more race results go the Canoe Kayak website [here](#).

June 24

Race #19 U18 Men C-1 1000m Austin Pigeon
1st place

Race #33 U18 Women C-1 500m Aimee Pigeon
5th place

Race #46 U18 Men C-1 1000m Austin Pigeon
1st place

Race #55 U18 C-1 500m Aimee Pigeon 7th
place

Race #68 Finals U18 Men C-1 1000m Austin Pigeon 3rd place
(Same race: Nikita Ciudin from Calgary, 9th place)

Race #83 C-Final U18 Women C-1 Aimee Pigeon 2nd place



Race #68

Austin



Race #83, Aimee



Aimee

June 25

Race #101 U18 Men C-1 500m Austin Pigeon 2nd place

Race #116 U18 Women C-1 200m Aimee Pigeon 6th place

Race #127 U18 Men C-1 500m Austin Pigeon 1st place

Race #137 U18 Women C-1 200m Aimee Pigeon 6th place

Race #152 Final U18 Men C-1 500m Austin Pigeon 5th place

(Same race: Nikita Ciudin from Calgary, 6th place)

Race #166 B-final U18 Women C-1 200m Aimee Pigeon 9th place

June 26

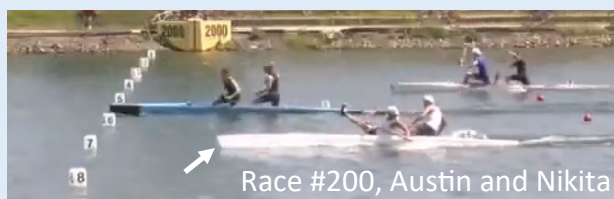
Race #176 U18 Men C-2 500m Nikita Ciudin, Austin Pigeon 2nd place

Race #200 Final U18 Men C-2 500m Nikita Ciudin, Austin Pigeon 2nd place



Nikita

Austin



Race #200, Austin and Nikita

Screenshots from YouTube.

Dragon Boat Naming Ceremony

The dragon boats before they are awoken and named.



Pictures by Kathleen Reardon



Oatie, Carolyn, and Linda

On June 29, SNCC honoured two of its founding members by naming the club's two newest dragon boats after them. Long time Hope Floats member, Linda Bell, spoke a few heartfelt words about Brian and Sally and their lasting impact on the club and on her personally. Original Hope Floats members, Sharon



“Oatie” Oates, Carolyn Swan, and Linda Sage made offerings of fresh fruit and dotted the dragon eyes, horns, and tongues. Canal Dragons members Joan Crawford and Bernita Arndt unveiled the newly named boats. Commodore/Coach Brenda Arndt emceed the ceremony.



Video and photography were taken of the event. If you wish to share your photos from the event for the Archives, please email Kathleen or post on the SNCC FaceBook page.

Message from Sally and Brian:

Dear Brenda and SNCC, Brian and I wanted to take this opportunity to express our heartfelt gratitude for your generosity and kindness. We were so honoured and left speechless by the amazing naming ceremony that you planned and executed brilliantly. We are so appreciative of this gesture and blown away by seeing with our own eyes a boat named Brian and a boat named Sally. WOW!!

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Sally and Brian



The Sally Rennick on the water

Canada Summer Games

All SNCC members are encouraged to cheer on Marilyn as she participates in the Canada Summer Games Torch Relay on July 2 in Fort Erie.

Opening Pep Rally, Crystal Ridge Community Centre (99 Ridge Road South, Crystal Beach) 9:00am

Torch Relay begins at 10:00am

Torch Relay ends at Fort Erie Leisureplex (3 Municipal Centre Drive, Fort Erie), approximately 11:00am

Marilyn begins her relay leg at the Native Friendship Centre (796 Buffalo Road, Fort Erie).



Marilyn at the 2018 Sprint Canoe/Kayak Nationals



Torch Relay Trailer

From Marilyn: *Thank you all for your support in joining me for this once in a lifetime moment, representing not only Niagara Region, but our great country as well!*

Shelley, mascot of the Canada Summer Games with the torch.

Canada Summer Games pictures are from the Canada Summer Games FaceBook page.



July Birthdays

Joan Crawford

Audi Johnston

Jamie Mereweather

Carolyn Swan



Missed June Birthdays

Julia Baird

Alexis Hindle

Tarzan Kalryzian

Allexander Letkiewicz

Jody Minken

Janice Rowe

Emilea Smith



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