Olympic and Paralympic Programs – 2020 Fall Update

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10/24/2020
What a crazy year

Global pandemic // Everything Changed

Most Sprint & Slalom events were canceled

Olympic Games postponed to 2021
# Spring & Summer: Constantly evolving COVID landscape

## Race postponements / cancelations

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### Jr/U23
- Olympic hopes regatta 2020
  - L: Szeged (HUN) | D: 9/9-16/2020 (tbc)

### World Cup & World Championships
- Non-Olympic World Champions
  - L: Szeged (HUN) | D: 9/25-27 (tbc)

### Continental Qualifications
- The Pan Am Championships, Olympic Qualifications
  - L: Curitiba (BRA) | D: 4/15-16/2021 (tbc)

## Continuous scenario planning

### Scenarios – Slalom

**August**
- 2020 Team Trials
  - Announce: Jun 15
  - Where: OKC | Date: 8/1-7
  - Confirm: Jul 1

- Camp #1
  - Announce: Jul 1
  - Where: OKC | Date: 8/1-7
  - Confirm: Jul 1

- Camp #2
  - Announce: Jul 1
  - Where: Europe | Date: 8/22-31
  - Confirm: Jul 1

**September**
- Jr/U23 Worlds
  - ICF announce: May (tbc)
  - Where: Tacen (SLO) | Date: 8/22-31

- World Cup #1
  - ICF announce: May (tbc)
  - Where: Europe | Date: Sep (tbc)
  - Confirm: Sep 1

**October**
- World Cup #2
  - ICF announce: May (tbc)
  - Where: Europe | Date: Sep (tbc)
  - Confirm: Sep 1

- Camp #3
  - Announce: Aug 15
  - Where: OKC | Date: 11/21-29
  - Confirm: Sep 1

**November**
- World Cup #3
  - ICF announce: May (tbc)
  - Where: Europe | Date: Sep (tbc)
  - Confirm: Sep 1

**December**
- Camp #4
  - Announce: Sep 15
  - Where: LP/CV | Date: 12/12-22
  - Confirm: Oct 1

**May’21**
- Continental Qualifications
  - ICF announce: (tbc)
  - Where: BRA | Date: 5/7-9/2021

## Olympic and Paralympic Programs – 2020 Update

- 2021 Olympic Trials
  - Announce: Dec 15
  - Where: OKC | Date: 5/22-23/2021 (tbc)

- Continental Qualifications
  - ICF announce: (tbc)
  - Where: BRA | Date: 5/7-9/2021
Partnerships are key
People who make it happen

Dan Henderson
Deborah (Deb) Page

Zsolt Szadovszki
Rafal Smolen

Aaron Huston
Zach Weatherford
Outstanding Results

Nevin Harrison – 2020 ICF World Cup Champion WC1 200m

Evy Leibfarth – 2x 2020 ICF World Cup Bronze medalist WC1 & WK1

Szeged, Hungary

Tacen, Slovenia
Additional World Cup results

Tren Long – Bronze medal CSLX

Michal Smolen – 9th MK1

Michaela Corcoran – 10th WC1

Ria Sribar – Bronze medal CSLX

Joshua Joseph – 10th MK1

Other 2020 results

• Kenny Kasperbauer: 9th MC1 200m
• Madison Corcoran: 11th WK1
• Zachary Lokken: 13th MC1
• Ria Sribar: 15th WK1
• Tren Long: 15th MC1
• Kaelin Friedenson: 28th MK1
2020-2024 High-Performance Plan

Elite Athlete Retention

With end in mind:
• Tokyo 2020(1)
• Paris 2024
• L.A. 2028

Challenge – transition from high-school to college
• Retention & educational programs for athletes and families
• Partnership opportunities with Colleges, Universities, and other National Federations (study abroad)

Athlete & Coach Development

USOPC
• Modern physiology program for elite athletes
• Athlete and coach education

ICF
• L3 Sprint coach classes
• Slalom coach development program

US Center for Coaching Excellence

Leagues & Races

ICF
• Development of the canoe, kayak and paracanoe league concepts

Clubs & Rec. Departments

Other NFs

L.A. 2028
2021 Preview of Major Competitions: Patent & Paracanoe

- Olympic Team Trials, 3/20-21 (tbc)
- 2021 ICF Continental Qualifications (Olympic Qualifier), Curitiba, BRZ, 4/9-11
- 2021 ICF WC 1 (Paralympic Qualifier), Szeged, HUN, 5/12-16
- 2021 ICF WC 2 (Olympic Qualifier), Barnaul, RUS, 5/21-23
- 2021 ICF Junior & U23 WCH, Montemor-o-Velho, POR, 7/15-18

- Olympic Games: Tokyo, JAP, 8/2-7
- 2021 US Sprint Nationals, Oklahoma City, USA, 8/13-20 (tbc)
- 2021 ICF Canoe Sprint Super Cup, Oklahoma City, OK, 8/21-22
- Paralympic Games: Tokyo, JAP, 9/2-4
- 2021 ICF WCH, Copenhagen, DK, 9/15-19
2021 Preview of Major Competitions: Slalom

- Olympic Team Trials: Charlotte, USA, 4/9-11 (tbc)
- 2021 ICF Continental Qualifications (Olympic Qualifier), Rio, BRZ, 4/30-5/2
- 2021 ICF WC 1, Markkleeberg, D, 6/4-6
- 2021 ICF WC 2, Prague, CZ, 6/11-13
- 2021 ICF Junior & U23 WCH, Tacen, SLO (tbc)

- Olympic Games: Tokyo, JAP, 7/25-30
- 2021 US Slalom Nationals, Oklahoma City, USA, 8/20-22 (tbc)
- 2021 ICF WC 3, La Seu, ESP, 9/3-5
- 2021 ICF WC 4, Pau, F, 9/10-12
- 2021 ICF WCH, Bratislava, SK, 9/21-26
USA Team Trial, Nationals, and other races and events

Jackie Nipper – “extraordinary volunteer”

CALL TO ACTION – NEED VOLUNTEERS

- Committees & working groups
- Race & events organizations
- Judging/officiating
- Club leadership and management
- Fundraising
- Athlete support
- Legal support
- Accounting support
- …
Q & A