

2007 National Rowing Championships Results

The cream of the crop of Canadian junior and senior rowers competed amongst nearly perfect conditions yesterday on the on the South Niagara course in Welland, Ont. for the finals of the National Rowing Championships (Nov. 1 to 4).

Alberta was well represented at this regatta with 11 athletes representing Alberta with an additional four Alberta athletes representing the National Training Centre.

Results were as follows:

2005 World Champion Tracy Cameron of Calgary Alberta finished second in the Lightweight Woman's Single event losing in a nail bitter of a race to Melanie Kok.

Olympians Andrew Hoskins of Edmonton, Alta. and Dave Calder of Victoria, B.C. - who both took a couple of years off from competitive rowing to spend more time with their young families after the 2004 Olympics - returned in style to take third in this event in 6:58.64. Kyle Hamilton and Jake Wetzell won the event.

2007 Pan-American Games Medallist Zoe Hoskins of Edmonton Alberta finished sixth in the Women's pair event.

2007 Pan-American Games Medallist Camille Brillon of Calgary Alberta finished sixth in the Lightweight Woman's single event

2006 FISU Gold Medallist Christine Bennett of Edmonton Alberta lost by less than .5 seconds in the Semi-Final race to Lindsay Forget of B.C relegating her to the B final. In the B final Christine finished second where her time would have placed her fourth overall in "A" final.

Terry McKall of Edmonton Alberta who represented Canada at the 2007 World Championships in the LM2- finished fourth overall in the Lightweight Men's Pair "A" final.

Christina Fuller of Calgary Alberta competing in her first National Championships raced extremely well finishing 10th overall in the LW 1x.

The Lightweight Men's pair of Kevin Van Vliet and Mike Persson both of Calgary, Alberta competed in a hotly contested B final with another Calgary Alberta pair consisting of Scott McKean and Richard Raddatz. Four Pairs crossed the finish line within three seconds of each other with the two Calgary Pairs in second and third respectively. The overall placing of these two pairs was 8th and 9th place overall

Jenna Nodding of Calgary Alberta finished 14th overall in the LW1x. Jenna narrowly lost to "A" finalist Camille Brillon in a tightly contested Repechage earlier in the regatta.

Alison Madlung of Edmonton Alberta finished 13th overall in the OW1x with a gutsy win in the C final.

Elana Taub of Calgary Alberta rowed extremely well throughout the regatta but had a hard time steering straight. She finished 22nd overall but could have finished higher if not for hitting a disproportionate number of buoys.

Geoff Roth of California Berkely but originally from Alberta competed with Will Dean of British Columbia in the Men's Pairs finishing 9th overall.

All in all an excellent regatta for Alberta Crews. The overall provincial rankings have not come out as of yet, but I think Alberta may have finished second overall in the overall points race to Ontario. It will be close but from my calculations Alberta had more points than British-Columbia. We will have to see.

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