52ND NATIONAL INVITATIONAL WHITE RIVER CANOE AND KAYAK RACE JULY 25TH-28TH, 2018



Come and join us in one of the most unique, challenging, and fun scouting events in the country. The National White River Canoe Race will take you down some of the most scenic country in America.

SCHEDULE

Time	Event	Location
WEDNESDAY		
12:00PM - 02:00PM	New Team Orientation	Above Bull Shoals Dam
02:00PM - 05:00PM	Registration	White River State Park (Pavilion)
06:00PM - 07:15PM	Spaghetti Dinner	White River State Park (Pavilion)
07:30PM - 08:30PM	Race Meeting	White River State Park (Amphitheater)
-	Camping	White River State Park
THURSDAY - 43.6 MILES		
07:45AM	Canoes at Water	Bull Shoals Dam
08:00AM	Race Starts	Bull Shoals Dam
09:30AM	Quick Change / Beginners and Kayaks Start	Cotter, AR (Boat Ramp)
-	Quick Change	Buffalo City, AR (Boat Ramp)
-	End of Day 1	Norfork, AR
06:00PM - 07:00PM	Dinner	Quarry Dam Park - Norfork
07:00PM - 07:30PM	Race Meeting	Quarry Dam Park - Norfork
-	Camping	Quarry Dam Park - Norfork
FRIDAY - 35 MILES		
07:45AM	Canoes at Water	Norfork, AR
08:00AM	Race Starts	Norfork, AR
9:30AM	Quick Change / Beginners and Kayaks Start	Calico Rock, AR
-	End of Day 2	Allison "Sylamore", AR
02:00PM - 05:00PM	Adult Floating Trip	Boswell Shoals to Sylamore
06:00PM - 07:00PM	Dinner	Sylamore Creek Camp
07:00PM - 08:00PM	Talent Show	Sylamore Creek Camp
08:00PM - 09:00PM	Race Meeting	Sylamore Creek Camp
-	Camping	Sylamore Creek Camp
SATURDAY - 41.4 MILES		
06:15AM	Canoes at Water	Allison "Sylamore", AR
06:30AM	Race Starts	Allison "Sylamore", AR
-	Quick Change (Optional Novice Teams Only)	Guion Bridge Boat Ramp
-	Portage & Clock Out	Dam No. 3
01:30PM	Portage & Clock Out / USCA, Beginners, and Kayaks Start	Dam No. 2
-	End of Race	Batesville, AR
03:00PM - 05:00PM	Dinner	Batesville, AR
-	Camping (Optional)	Speedway RV Park/Kennedy Park

SUNDAY - BOY SCOUT AND USCA ALUMINUM NATIONALS

07:30AM	Start at Batesville Bridge, Adult Class go above island about 5 miles upriver and return to bridge
07:30AM	Start at Batesville Bridge, Junior Class go below island about 3 miles upriver and return to bridge
10:30AM	USCA Awards Ceremony

RACING DIVISIONS

Beginner Aluminum

Teams are for participants with little or no canoe racing experience. Beginner team members may not have raced previously in the White River Canoe Race and may only enter this class one year only. Beginning teams will race only the first, fourth and eighth legs of the race. This division may be suitable for younger team members or inexperienced teams with only four team members that had originally planned to race a Novice division. Four person Novice teams with no paddling experience should consider entering the Beginner classes with two two-person teams. Beginner teams are not eligible for the Overall Traveling Trophy in their respective class since they do not paddle the entire race.

Division	# of Paddlers	Age Range	Configuration
Boys Aluminum Beginners	2-3	14-21	All Males
Coed Aluminum Beginners	2-3	14-21	1 Female Required for All Legs
Girls Aluminum Beginners	2-3	14-21	All Females

Novice Aluminum

Teams may be teams participating for the first time in the White River Canoe Race or teams (or team members) which have not placed (3rd place or higher) in any division at the race in previous years. Novice teams are encouraged to do their best as they are eligible for the Aluminum Overall Traveling Trophy in their class (Girl's, Boy's, and Coed) which will be awarded to the team with the lowest accumulative time for the race.

Division	# of Paddlers	Age Range	Configuration
Boys Aluminum Novice	4-6	14-21	All Males
Coed Aluminum Novice	4-6	14-21	1 Female Required for All Legs
Girls Aluminum Novice	4-6	14-21	All Females

Advanced Aluminum

Teams are typically teams that have a high level of proficiency in a canoe and perhaps have either raced in the White River Canoe Race before or competed in other canoeing events. Normally, the top tier of this division consists of teams that train extensively for this race.

Division	# of Paddlers	Age Range	Configuration
Boys Aluminum Advanced	4-6	14-21	All Males
Coed Aluminum Advanced	4-6	14-21	1 Female Required for All Legs
Girls Aluminum Advanced	4-6	14-21	All Females

Cruising Divisions

Are normally the most competitive and proficient paddlers in the race. Normally, these paddlers have raced aluminum divisions in previous years and have moved up to Cruising canoes as their abilities improved. These paddlers train extensively and attend many races throughout the year. Canoe design must conform to USCA Standard Cruising Specifications such as Sawyer, Jensen, Diller, etc. Beaver Canoes may be used in this class. No "Pro" boats are allowed.

Division	# of Paddlers	Age Range	Configuration
Open Cruisers	4-6	14-21	Mixed
Coed Cruisers	4-6	14-21	1 Female Required for All Legs
Girls Cruisers	4-6	14-21	All Females

Old-Timer Divisions

Are normally the most competitive and proficient paddlers in the race. Normally, these paddlers have raced aluminum divisions in previous years and have moved up to Cruising canoes as their abilities improved. These paddlers train extensively and attend many races throughout the year.

Division	# of Paddlers	Age Range	Configuration
Old Times's Aluminum	2-6	21+	Mixed
Old Times's Cruisers	2-6	21+	Mixed

Kayak Division

It is recommended that all paddlers use a recreational style Kayak 12 feet or longer. Shorter Kayaks can be used but will compete with the longer Kayaks. All Single and Double Kayaks will race 3 legs total. This year there will be no Beginner or Advanced classes for the Kayak Division; all Kayaks will race in the Novice class. All Kayaks will enter the water on Day 1 at Cotter and paddle to Buffalo City where they will time out. Day 2 Kayaks will enter the water at Calico Rock and paddle to Allison. Day 3 Kayaks will enter the water at Lock 2 and paddle to Batesville. Kayaks will paddle the same race course as the beginners division during the White River Canoe Race.

Division	# of Paddlers	Age Range	Configuration
Boys Single Kayak K1	1	14-21	Male
Girls Single Kayak K1	1	14-21	Female
Double Kayak K2	2	14-21	Mixed

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RACE RULES

Eligibility - Participants must be at least 14 years of age at race time and registered members of Venturing Crews, Boy Scout Troops, Varsity Teams, or Explorer Posts.

Teams - Each team shall consist of four to six participants except for the Beginner classes. Two participants shall handle the canoe during each leg. Each team shall have a team captain who will be the team's representative to the race meetings for communications, rule interpretations, safety, or disciplinary actions. Participants should be in good physical shape and should be conditioned for strenuous exercise and long endurance. Participants should condition and strengthen their hands to help prevent blisters. Gloves should be considered if new to paddling. BSA Class 3 physical forms are required at registration. Each team (each canoe) should have a support crew. This crew is a necessity to the success of your team. The support crew has the responsibility to set up camp, cook, clean and to transport and load/unload canoes and equipment. To qualify for the race, an adult leader must accompany, by vehicle, each team during the race. This leader is responsible for transporting the team members to the paddler change out locations during the race. This is a very important aspect of this relay type race. If crew members are not at the designated change out locations when the canoe team arrives, the team must either continue on with the race or wait for the crew members to arrive. This will cause added time which may affect your placing in the race. Co-ed units must have male and female leaders in accordance with BSA policies. Two-deep leadership must be observed. No coaching of crews by advisors or adults from boats is permitted. Safety personnel and event judges observing the race may disqualify a team for improper conduct. A unit may enter as many racing teams as desired, but they must have an advisor or adult for each team. All entries must be registered.

Gear - All canoes are subject to United States Canoe Association specifications except as noted in the Racing Divisions. More information can be found at www.uscanoe.com. The canoe used at the start of the race must be used during the entire race, unless it is damaged during the race. If it is damaged, the Team Captain must check with a race official for qualification of a replacement canoe. Each canoe will be assigned a number upon registration and inspection. The number will be placed on the bow of the canoe below the gunwale. Hand bailers are allowed, but bilge pumps are not allowed. Automatic bailers are allowed in Cruising Classes only. Any type of single blade paddle including bent shaft and curved blades will be allowed in all classes. No participant may use more than one paddle at any one time during the race. Each team should have an extra paddle in the canoe during the race. Each team member must wear a shirt, pants, shoes, and a Coast Guard approved life vest at all times while on the water. Shirts must have sleeves to prevent chaffing from the life vest. Shoes must have uppers. No sandals or flip-flops are allowed while on the water. Life vests must be worn as they were intended with all snaps, straps, and zippers secured. Teams will be required to have one liter of water in the boat and one whistle per racer.

Kayak - All Kayak safety equipment will be similar to safety equipment required for all Canoe Divisions: Coast Guard Approved Life Jacket, Water Shoes with Heel Strap, Whistle, 1-litre water bottle(each paddler), 1 safety paddle.

Infractions - Race observers including advisors, adults, parents, and other racers may report rule infractions to the race officials. Decisions and rulings will be made by the race officials and will be administered in accordance with the rules of the contest and common standards of sportsmanship. Time penalties may be assessed for infractions.

AWARDS

As a minimum, each member of earns placing 1st, 2nd, or 3rd in all divisions will receive an award. Additional awards and/or patches may be presented to members or teams completing the race. All traveling trophies will be kept by the winning team and must return to the race the next year

Overall Championship - The Doug Summer Memorial National Championship Traveling Trophy will be awarded to the team with the shortest accumulative elapsed time for the races, regardless of division.

Boy's Aluminum - The Ron Edding's Memorial Traveling Trophy will be awarded to the Boy's Aluminum team with the shortest accumulative time for the race.

Girl's Aluminum - The Dr. R. J. Van Patter Memorial Traveling Trophy will be awarded to the Girl's Aluminum team with the shortest accumulative time for the race.

Coed's Aluminum Championship - The Coed's Aluminum Championship Traveling Trophy will be awarded to the Coed's Aluminum team with the shortest accumulative elapsed time for the race.

Girls Cruising Championship - The Girl's Cruising Championship Traveling Trophy will be awarded to the Girl's Cruising team with the shortest accumulative elapsed time for the race.

Sportsmanship Award - The Sportsmanship Traveling Trophy will be awarded to the crew, post, or troop best representing the commonly accepted attributes of good sportsmanship such as fair play, respect for others including team-mates, competitors and officials, helpfulness, positive attitude, fellowship, encouragement, and effort.

Most Distance Traveled - The Tom Edwards award will be given to the team that travels the greatest distance to compete in the race.

Spirit Award - The Carl Garner award will be given to the crew/post/troop exhibiting the greatest spirit in the opinion of the race organizers.

Most Scouts Participating - The "George Wise" award will be given to the crew/post/troop bringing the largest number of scout paddlers to the race.

Talent Show - An award or gift will be given to the winner(s) of the talent show as determined by a panel of judges.

Youngest Team - The "Doyle Rogers Youth Challenge Award" will be given to the youngest teammates completing the full race.

Rookie Award - The Henry Wilkens Rookie Award will be presented to the fastest canoe in the Beginning Aluminum Division.

First Time Team Award - The D.C. Redding Award will presented to the team who completes the race for the first time as a team.

Kayak:

1st, 2nd, and 3rd place	Fastest Overall K1	Male or Female
1st, 2nd, and 3rd place	Fastest Overall K2	Mixed

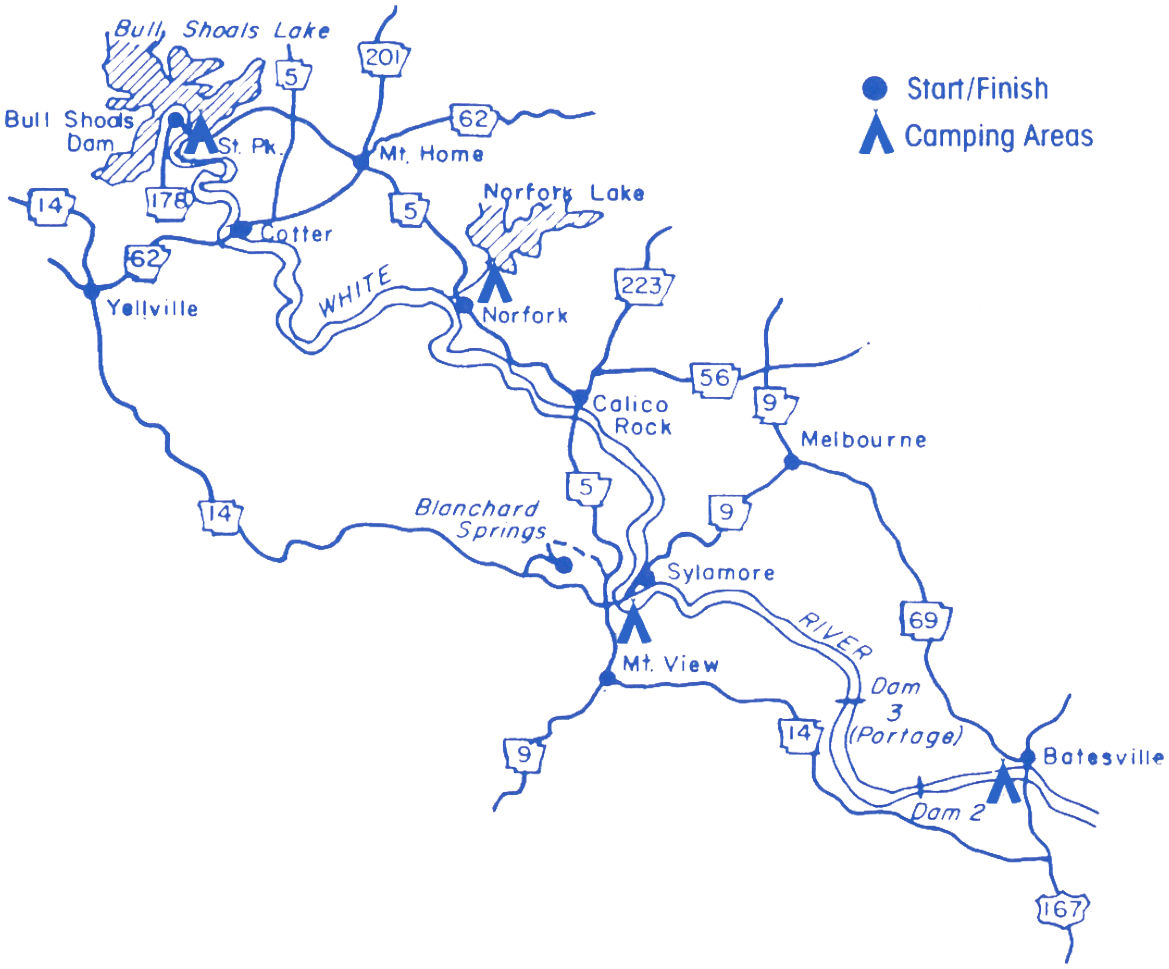
PAST WINNERS

2017	Crew 313 - Bogalusa, LA
2016	Crew 313 - Bogalusa, LA
2015	Crew 313 - Bogalusa, LA
2014	Crew 300 - Russellville, AR
2013	Crew 313 - Bogalusa, LA
2012	Crew 313 - Bogalusa, LA
2011	Crew 313 - Bogalusa, LA
2010	Crew 300 - Russellville, AR
2009	Crew 313 - Bogalusa, LA
2008	Crew 300 - Russellville, AR
2007	Crew 300 - Russellville, AR
2006	Crew 300 - Russellville, AR
2005	Crew 300 - Russellville, AR
2004	Crew 300 - Russellville, AR
2003	Post 313 - Bogalusa, LA
2002	Post 313 - Bogalusa, LA
2001	Post 301 - Faribault, MN
2000	Canceled due to low water.
1999	Post 313 - Bogalusa, LA
1998	Post 313 - Bogalusa, LA
1997	Post 313 - Bogalusa, LA
1996	Post 313 - Bogalusa, LA
1995	Post 313 - Bogalusa, LA
1994	Post 313 - Bogalusa, LA
1993	Post 313 - Bogalusa, LA
1992	Post 301 - Faribault, MN
1991	Post 301 - Faribault, MN
1990	Post 301 - Faribault, MN
1989	Post 313 - Bogalusa, LA
1988	Post 301 - Faribault, MN
1987	Post 301 - Faribault, MN
1986	Post 301 - Faribault, MN
1985	Post 301 - Faribault, MN
1984	Post 301 - Faribault, MN
1983	Post 81 - New Iberia, LA
1982	Post 81 - New Iberia, LA
1981	Post 517 - New Iberia, LA
1980	Post 517 - New Iberia, LA
1979	Post 29 - Camdenton, MO
1978	Post 29 - Camdenton, MO
1977	Post 8 - Little Rock, AR
1976	Post 8 - Little Rock, AR
1975	Post 8 - Little Rock, AR
1974	Post 570 - Little Rock, AR
1973	Post 77 - Las Cruces, NM
1972	Post 357 - Las Cruces, NM
1971	Post 108 - Laredo, TX
1970	Post 259 - Cabot, AR
1969	Post 259 - Cabot, AR
1968	Post 259 - Cabot, AR
1967	Post 110 - Cabot, AR
1966	Sea Scout Ship - North Little Rock, AR

RECORD TIMES

Division	Team	Time	Year
OC	C 300	11:41:06	2008
GC	P 301	13:49:01	1985
CC	P 301	13:07:23	1986
BA	C 313	13:02:00	2008
GA	C 200	14:22:04	2008
CA	P 301	13:42:59	1985
OA	P 29	13:43:15	1979

52ND NATIONAL INVITATIONAL WHITE RIVER CANOE RACE MAP



In recognition of the Boy Scout Leaders, parents, and many other people and organizations that have provided thousands of volunteer hours, service, and support to make this event safe and memorable for the thousands of young Scouts from around the country that have participated in the National Invitational White River Canoe Race over the past 50 years.

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