

Strong showing by Ottawa canoeist

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Sue Holloway, a 20-year-old with a goal to make both the Olympic cross-country and canoeing teams, put in one of the best Canadian performances yesterday at the International Canoeing Competitions, Montreal 75.

Holloway, from the Rideau Canoe Club in Ottawa, covered the 500 metres in two minutes, 24.19 seconds to place third in her heat of the kayak preliminaries.

Paddling with teammate Karen Tippet also from Ottawa she then captured a second in her kayak double preliminary heat, earning two places for Canada in the semi-final events.

The performance didn't surprise Holloway. "I know the other competitors and I know how I'll do," she said.

"In the k-1 race the people at the front were just paddling

as fast as we had to against the superstrong headwind to qualify. But I had a safe third. I don't take chances," Holloway said. The preliminary was won by Ilona Tozzer of Hungary in two minutes, 20.50 seconds.

Holloway described her finish in the k-2 event as right where the pair should have placed. Their time was 3.12 seconds behind winners Katarzyna Kulczak and Maria Kazanecka of Poland who completed the course in two minutes, 1.68 seconds.

WORLD CHAMPION

The kayak single and double competitions were part of 15 preliminary heats run in canoe and kayaks over the 500-metre course in the Ile Notre Dame Olympic basin, under sunny skies and winds estimated by officials as blowing 12 miles an hour.

Over 200 athletes from 17 countries are participating in the four-day events. The first three finishers in each preliminary event automatically qual-

ified for the semi-finals. The remainder moved into second-chance repechages, held in the afternoon.

Canada, with two 20-member teams entered, qualified 15 for the semi-finals. Hungary, Poland and the Soviet Union each qualified six. Romania had five and Great Britain four.

Oreste Perri of Italy, defending world champion, advanced to the semi-finals of the single kayak event, covering the distance in one minute, 55.52 seconds.

John Wood of Port Credit, Ont., the top ranked member of the Senior Canadian team, finished second in his single canoe event 37 seconds behind Alexandre Rogou, from the Soviet Union, who had a time of two minutes, 13.47 seconds.

BAD START

One of the most spine-tingling finishes in the afternoon's repechages was made by Canadians Alwyn Morris and Jean Fournell, paired together for the first time in the k-2 events.

Pulling from last place midway, the pair finished second in a photo finish, .16 seconds behind Peter Potassi and Phillip Hepburn of Canada.

"We got off to a bad start so we stayed with the others and saved it for the end," said Morris who is paddling in the bow of the boat.

The finish was reminiscent of the record breaking sprint in the Juvenile k-1 500 metre event in last weekend's Canadian Canoe Championships which earned Morris a place on the Canadian "B" team.

Yesterday's races were the first international competitions for the 17-year-old, a Mohawk Indian and a member of the Caughnawaga Onake Canoe Club.

He'll be racing in the kayak four men 1000 metre preliminary events scheduled for today. Also scheduled are men's kayak and canoe single and double over 1 000 metres.

The events will start at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

There will be semi-finals and finals of the 500 metre events tomorrow and 1 000 metre finals Sunday.

Canoe Canada 75 will be climaxed Sunday afternoon by a special exhibition race in war canoes which are manned by 14 men and a captain.



World champion Oreste Perri of Italy advanced to kayak semi-finals.

Canoe '75 results

Preliminaries for 500 metres; first three to semi-finals.

Men K-1

Heat 1 — 1. Geza Csapo (Hungary); 2. Jostein Stige (Norway); 3. Douglas Parnham (Great Britain) Time: 1:57.53

Heat 2 — 1. Oreste Perri (Italy); 2. Ussile Disa (Romania); 3. Ladislav Soucek (Czechoslovakia) Time: 1:55.52

Heat 3 — 1. Grzegorz Sledziewski (Poland); 2. Uladimir Morozov (Soviet Union); 3. Theo Claessens (Belgium) Time: 1:55.99

Men C-1

Heat 1 — 1. Alexandre Rogou (Soviet Union); 2. John Wood (Canada); 3. Miklos Darvas (Hungary) Time: 2:13.47

Heat 2 — 1. Yvan Patzaichin (Romania); 2. John Edwards (Canada); 3. Andrzej Gronowicz (Poland) Time: 2:16.47

Women K-1

Heat 1 — 1. Calina Krefl (Soviet Union); 2. Ewa Kaminska (Poland); 3. Linda Murray (United States) Time: 2:20.50

Heat 2 — 1. Ilona Tozzer (Hungary); 2. Maria Mihoreanu (Romania); 3. Sue Holloway (Canada) Time: 2:20.50

Heat 3 — 1. Anastasie Halina (Czechoslovakia); 2. Lucie Guay (Canada); 3. Françoise Bonetat (France) Time: 2:26.42

Men K-2

Heat 1 — 1. Lars Anderson, Anders Anderson (Sweden); 2. Victor Vorubiev, Nicolai Astapkovitch (Soviet Union); 3. Avend Bloem, Lo Jacobs (Holland) Time: 1:47.28

Heat 2 — 1. Larion Sergel, Polikarp Mairihin (Romania); 2. Zoltan Bakó, Istvan Szabo (Hungary); 3. Enrique Flamand, Juan Bostelmann (Mexico) Time: 1:47.47

Heat 3 — 1. Kazimierz Gorecki, Grzegorz Koltan (Poland); 2. Einar Rasmussen, Olaf Soyland (Norway); 3. Theo Claessens, Jean Burny (Belgium) Time: 1:45.02

Men C-2

Heat 1 — 1. Gheorghe Danielou, Gheorghe Simonou (Romania); 2. Francois Millot, Gerald Delachroix (France); 3. Gabos Arva, Peter Povaszai (Hungary) Time: 1:56.00

Heat 2 — 1. Mikhail Lobanov, Alexandre Vinogradov (Soviet Union); 2. Jerzy Opara, Gheorghe Gronowicz (Poland); 3. Tomas Sach, Jiri Cvrtecka (Czechoslovakia) Time: 1:56.71

Women K-2

Heat 1 — 1. Galina Krefl, Ecaterina Naguina (Soviet Union); 2. Ilona Tozzer, Klara Rajnai (Hungary); 3. Linda Murray, Ann Turner (United States) Time: 1:58.41

Heat 2 — 1. Katarzyna Kulczak, Maria Kazanecka (Poland); 2. Sue Holloway, Karen Tippet (Canada); 3. Pauline Goodwin, Hilary Peacock (Great Britain) Time: 2:01.68

Repechage for 500 metres; first three to semi-finals.

Men K-1

Heat 1 — 1. Jean Fournell (Canada); 2. Dean Oldershaw (Canada); 3. Berndt Andersson (Sweden) Time: 2:00.18

Heat 2 — 1. Juan Bostelmann (Mexico); 2. Jean-Pierre Cordebois (France); 3. Steve Kelly (United States) Time: 2:04.05

Women K-1

Heat 1 — 1. Ann Dodge (Canada); 2. Karen Tippet (Canada); 3. Madeleine Montreuil (Canada) Time: 2:27.95

Heat 2 — 1. Sheila Burnett (Great Britain); 2. Karen Lukanowich (Canada); 3. Sue Gifford (Canada) Time: 2:23.15

Men K-2

Heat 1 — 1. Peter Potassi, Phillip Hepburn (Canada); 2. Alwyn Morris, Jean Fournell (Canada); 3. Eric Farrell, David Lawrence (Britain) Time: 1:51.62

Heat 2 — 1. Denis Barre, Steve King (Canada); 2. Danilo Merli, Giorgio Bruzzi (Italy); 3. Colin Shaw, Hugh Fisher (Canada) Time: 1:47.79

National cage team fights to shake shadow of Grads

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A story out of Czechoslovakia the other day declared that Canada's national women's basketball team is performing at a pace unequalled in the history of Canadian sport.

Inevitably, someone took exception to the effusive praise. "What about the old Edmonton Grads?" was the gist of question.

Well, never let it be said that Canadians are about to forget the Grads even though they haven't been in existence since 1940.

Under the coaching of the late J. Percy Page, the Grads won 502 of 522 games between 1915 and 1940.

They were Canadian champions from 1922 to 1940, won three of four North American titles and took 114 of 120

challenge games against various U.S. city and state champions.

Included in their victories were 27 exhibitions played as side attractions at the Olympics in Paris in 1924, Amsterdam in 1928, Los Angeles in 1932 and Berlin in 1936.

Which brings up one of the points of difference between the Grads and the national team.

The Grads were, after all, primarily a club team although if they were in existence today they would undoubtedly provide just about all the talent for the nationals.

To be fair, the success of today's national team must be compared with that of other national squads. And

no national has ever had a 9-3 record against top international competition, let alone winning seven straight in a two-week period.

Under the direction of coach Brian Heaney of Halifax and with the play of Montrealeers Liz Silcott and Sylvia Sweeney, the nationals have beaten such sides as Yugoslavia, Korea and Hungary.

"What these players have been able to accomplish with only three weeks of preparation in Canada is almost 'unconceivable,'" said Heaney. "The country should be proud of their achievements and realize that this team's destiny as a medal winner in the Olympics is an attainable goal."

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COMPETITION: - Canoe Canada 75 Pre Olympic Competition
Montreal Olympic Course

COMPETING COUNTRIES - 15

CANADIAN FINALISTS

| <u>EVENT</u> | <u>CREW</u> | <u>PLACE</u> | <u>TIME</u> | <u>WINNING TIME</u> |
|------------------|------------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|
| K1 500 M | Dean Oldershaw | 6th | | |
| C1 500 M | John Wood | 5th | | |
| | John Edwards | 6th | | |
| K2 500 M | Denis Barre | 8th | | |
| | Steve King | | | |
| C2 500 M | John Wood | 8th | | |
| | Scott Oldershaw | | | |
| | Bernard Turcot | 9th | | |
| | Peter Marzel | | | |
| 500 M (Women) | Susan Holloway | 4th | | |
| | Ann Dodge | 8th | | |
| K2 500 M (Women) | Susan Holloway | 4th | | |
| | Karen Tippett | | | |
| | Karen Lukanovich | 7th | | |
| | Lucy Guay | | | |
| | Ann Dodge | 8th | | |
| | Sue Vizcko | | | |
| K1 1000 M | Dean Oldershaw | 4th | | |
| C1 1000 M | John Edwards | 4th | | |
| | John Woods | 6th | | |
| | Jeremy Abbott | 8th | | |
| | Peter Marzell | 9th | | |
| K2 1000 M | Denis Barre | 9th | | |
| | Steve King | 9th | | |
| C2 1000 M | Bruce Raymond | 7th | | |
| | Dave Joyce | | | |
| | John Edwards | 8th | | |
| | Jeremy Abbott | | | |
| K4 1000 M | Jim Reardon | | | |
| | Peter Patasi | | | |
| | Jim Symonik | 8th | | |
| | Phil Hepburn | | | |

Refer to Appendix K for Complete Results.