



**MEDIA RELEASE - FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
MEC WAVE GRABBER SERIES IN FULL SWING WITH SUCCESSFUL 2ND RACE**

VICTORIA, BC, August 27, 2009. On August 26, 2009, the second race of the **Mountain Equipment Co-op (MEC) Wave Grabber Race Series** took place at the Gorge Rowing and Paddling Centre (GRPC). Attracting paddlers of all types in single and double ocean kayaks, surf-skis, K1 (Flatwater Kayak) and canoes, racers chose from one, two or three laps of a 1.4km loop. After racing, participants celebrated and socialized on the docks of GRPC, enjoying a delicious BBQ and draw prizes.

MEC and GRPC have started the Wave Grabber series to promote recreational paddling in the community, and invite any and all types of paddlers to attend. Races are \$10.00 to participate, including boat rental, race fees and BBQ. Private boats are also welcome. We welcome anyone who is interested to come down and participate or cheer the paddlers on!

Upcoming Race Dates

Race 3: September 9

Race 4: September 23

Race 5: October 7

RESULTS 1 LAP COURSE (1.4 km)

Monica/Seonaid	Canoe	1	10:29.91
Steph Sketchley	Single	1	11:21.70
Michelle McHugh	Single	1	11:30.96

RESULTS 2 LAP COURSE (2.8 km)

Tan Barkley	Single	2	17:20.24
Brendan Sutcliffe	Single	2	19:40.53
Sarah-Jane Chilton	Single	2	20:07.74
Adrian Surdu/Keisha	Double	2	20:13.32
Karina Sacca	Single	2	20:37.09
Anne-Marie Sorvin	Single	2	22:16.66
Jen Mason	Single	2	25:12.13
Jill Brassard	Single	2	31:18.26
Grant Knopper	Single	2	31:18.36
Joel Peluez	Single	2	31:35.37
Clint Brassard	Single	2	31:45.07
Alysha Di / Weimin Zhang	Double	2	39:19.07
Herman Lee	Single	2.5 laps	32:54.25

RESULTS 3 LAP COURSE (4.2 km)

Ian MacKenzie	K1	3	20:53.55
Lisa Fryer/Jeromy Truran	K2	3	20:53.95
Richard Young	Surf Ski	3	22:24.22
Pierre Ballester	Single	3	22:35.17
Micheal Pardy	Single	3	23:52.95
Harley Preston	Surf Ski	3	24:05.63
Erika Ladouceur	K1	3	24:15.78
Kevin Sutherland	OC1	3	25:35.67

Rachelle Perry / Nicole Peck	OC 2	3	25:48.97
Dave Dobbyn	OC 1	3	27:17.68
Micheal Fargey	Single	3	27:36.17
Andrew Walker	Single	3	28:55.00
Andrew Dibnoh	Single	3	30:20.57
Alvin Ng	Single	3	30:46.28
Mathew Yee	Single	3	32:29.07
Knoll Stevenson	Single	3	32:44.39
Aleida Vandenbosch	Single	3	33:39.03
Juke Chao	Single	3	34:20.75

Check out Race Photos and general information at www.wavegrabber.ca!

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