

PADDLES UP 2001

Southland's inter-school fun kayaking weekend

Sponsored by **WestpacTrust**

and **Alpha Outdoors**

3+4 March 2001

Mavora Lakes

Paddles Up 2001 was run in sunny weather on the Mararoa River at Lake Mavora and Kiwiburn last weekend. This inter-school fun kayaking weekend that has been run in Southland since 1989 with the assistance of teachers, parents and kayakers. Ninety secondary school students paddled in several kayak events. The low water levels made life easier for the novices, but the top places were still hotly contested in the downriver race and individual slalom. The teams fun slalom challenged paddlers to toot the tooter, duck under the limbo gate, whack a ball, throw their paddle and do an eskimo roll as they paddled down the rapids. A thrilling climax for the spectators was the tricks performed by competitors in the whitewater rodeo.

Down River Race

Junior Girls	Sarah-Jane Luoni (SPC) 1;	Katie Redpath (WHS) 2;	Natalie McEwan (MC) 3
Junior Boys	Pete Conway (JHHS) 1;	Benje Patterson (JHHS) 2;	Peter Copeland (NSC) 3
Senior Girls	Jo Whitehead (FC) 1;	Megan Foster (WHS) 2;	Miriam Wood (JHHS) 3= + Laura Wyatt (WHS) 3=
Senior Boys	Ben Wood (JHHS) 1;	Jono Conway (JHHS) 2;	Ashley Whitehead (FC) 3

WestpacTrust Individual Slalom

Junior Girls	Sarah-Jane Luoni (SPC) 1;	Natalie McEwan (MC) 2	
Junior Boys	Benje Patterson (JHHS) 1;	Joe Dakin (SPC) 2	
Senior Girls	Jo Whitehead (FC) 1;	Megan Foster (WHS) 2;	Gemma Smith (GHS) 3
Senior Boys	Jono Conway (JHHS) 1;	Ben Wood (JHHS) 2;	Glen Everett (WHS) 3

WestpacTrust Team Slalom

Junior Girls	NatKirKat (MC) 1;	Brismarks (SPC) 2	
Junior Boys	The Almosts (JHHS) 1;	Team Te Anau (FC) 2;	Oops! (SPC) 3
Senior Girls	Spaghetios (WHS) 1;	Skid Rhythm (SGHS) 2;	Riverwackers (JHHS) 3
Senior Boys	AMS Gooses (JHHS) 1	AMS Goatses (JHHS) 2	Gone Mad (MC) 3

Alpha Outdoors Rodeo

Senior Boys	Ben Wood (JHHS) 1;	Duncan Gibson (SPC) 2;	Eammon Lynch (SPC) 3
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SCC Best Boy

Jono Conway

SCC Best Girl

2001 Paddles Up Cup (Best School)

James Hargest HS 1; Wakatipu HS and St Peters C 2=; Fiordland C and Menzies C 4=