

Olympic and Paralympic Programs – 2020 Fall Update

Rok Sribar, GM High-Performance Programs 10/24/2020



























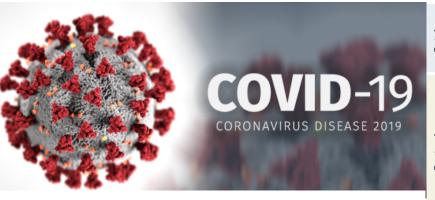






What a crazy year

Global pandemic // Everything Changed



Olympic Games postponed to 2021



Most Sprint & Slalom events were canceled

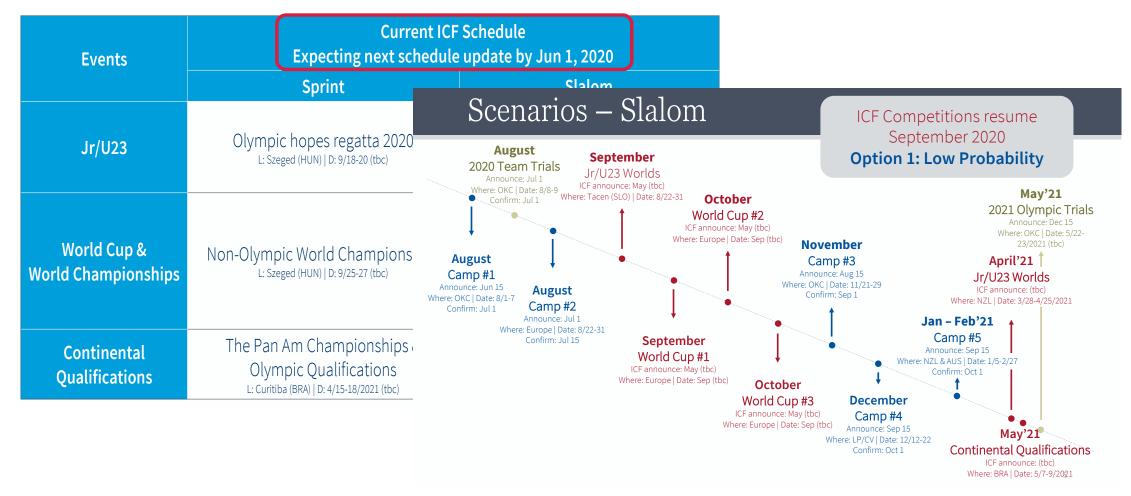




Spring & Summer: Constantly evolving COVID landscape

Race postponements / cancelations

Continuous scenario planning



Partnerships are key















People who make it happen

Dan Henderson



Deborah (Deb) Page



Zsolt Szadovszki



Rafal Smolen



Aaron Huston



Zach Weatherford



Outstanding Results

Nevin Harrison – 2020 ICF World Cup Champion WC1 200m Evy Leibfarth – 2x 2020 ICF World Cup Bronze medalist WC1 & WK1





Szeged, Hungary

Tacen, Slovenia

Additional World Cup results

Tren Long – Bronze medal CSLX



Ria Sribar – Bronze medal CSLX



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Michal Smolen – 9th MK1



Joshua Joseph – 10th MK1



Michaela Corcoran – 10th WC1



Other 2020 results

Kenny Kasperbauer: 9th MC1 200m

• Madison Corcoran: 11th WK1

• Zachary Lokken: 13th MC1

• Ria Sribar: 15th WK1

• Tren Long: 15th MC1

• Kaelin Friedenson: 28th MK1

2020-2024 High-Performance Plan

Elite Athlete Retention

With end in mind:

- Tokyo 2020(1)
- Paris 2024
- L.A. 2028

Challenge – transition from high-school to college

- Retention & educational programs for athletes and families
- Partnership opportunities with Colleges, Universities, and other National Federations (study abroad)

Athlete & Coach Development

USOPC

- Modern physiology program for elite athletes
- Athlete and coach education

ICF

- L3 Sprint coach classes
- Slalom coach development program

US Center for Coaching Excellence

Leagues & Races

ICF

Development of the canoe, kayak and paracanoe league concepts

Clubs & Rec. Departments

Other NFs

L.A. 2028

2021 Preview of Major Competitions: Sprint & Paracanoe

- Olympic Team Trials, 3/20-21 (tbc)
- 2021 ICF Continental Qualifications (Olympic Qualifier), Curitiba, BRZ, 4/9-11
- 2021 ICF WC 1 (Paralympic Qualifier), Szeged, HUN, 5/12-16
- 2021 ICF WC 2 (Olympic Qualifier), Barnaul, RUS, 5/21-23
- 2021 ICF Junior & U23 WCH, Montemor-o-Velho, POR, 7/15-18

- Olympic Games: Tokyo, JAP, 8/2-7
- 2021 US Sprint Nationals, Oklahoma City, USA, 8/13-20 (tbc)
- 2021 ICF Canoe Sprint Super Cup, Oklahoma City, OK, 8/21-22
- Paralympic Games: Tokyo, JAP, 9/2-4
- 2021 ICF WCH, Copenhagen, DK, 9/15-19

2021 Preview of Major Competitions: Slalom

- Olympic Team Trials: Charlotte, USA, 4/9-11 (tbc)
- 2021 ICF Continental Qualifications (Olympic Qualifier), Rio, BRZ, 4/30-5/2
- 2021 ICF WC 1, Markkleeberg, D, 6/4-6
- 2021 ICF WC 2, Prague, CZ, 6/11-13
- 2021 ICF Junior & U23 WCH, Tacen, SLO (tbc)

- Olympic Games: Tokyo, JAP, 7/25-30
- 2021 US Slalom Nationals, Oklahoma City, USA, 8/20-22 (tbc)
- 2021 ICF WC 3, La Seu, ESP, 9/3-5
- 2021 ICF WC 4, Pau, F, 9/10-12
- 2021 ICF WCH, Bratislava, SK, 9/21-26

USA Team Trial, Nationals, and other races and events

Jackie Nipper – "extraordinary volunteer"



CALL TO ACTION – NEED VOLUNTEERS

- Committees & working groups
- Race & events organizations
- Judging/officiating
- Club leadership and management
- Fundraising
- Athlete support
- Legal support
- Accounting support

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Q & A

