

## Sep 30, 2009 Worlds Report and international video

September 2009

Dear Whitewater Alumni and Friends, 1. An amazing slalom world championships just concluded in La Seu d'Urgell, Spain. 55 nations, 98 mens kayaks, 22 C-1 Women. Congratulations to Brett Heyl, who was top finisher in 7th. Scott Mann and Jim Wade also had very respectable finishes with a 26th and 30th finish overall. In the Men's C-1 Benn Fraker had a questionable missed gate call on a very fast second run in the heat that dropped him into 27th overall. Other U.S. competitors in the men's C-1 included Casey Eichfeld and Zach Lokken who finished 39th and 46th respectfully out of a very deep field of canoe competitors. The women's C-1 was competed for the first time at the 2009 World Championships and represented proudly by Carolyn Peterson, Micki Reeves and Hailey Thompson. 2. Must see: This split screen video captures the time difference (in K-1 qualifier heats) between Ciaran Heurteau (6 seconds back in 39th place- Ireland) and Winner Peter Kauser (Slovenia) [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H8K7YKP\\_axM](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H8K7YKP_axM) 3. More video of the worlds. Overall

atmosphere: <http://www.youtube.com/user/SportsceneTV#play/uploads/1/onJ1XBvbQJ8> Individual

Montage: [http://www.youtube.com/user/SportsceneTV#play/uploads/2/x\\_YuqSYxnes](http://www.youtube.com/user/SportsceneTV#play/uploads/2/x_YuqSYxnes) Team Races

Montage: <http://www.youtube.com/user/SportsceneTV#play/uploads/3/zsMIbOwgqrs> Overall

Results: [http://worldseu09.parcolimpic.com/results\\_K1M.htm](http://worldseu09.parcolimpic.com/results_K1M.htm) International Race Coverage Articles: <http://www.kayaksession.com/WC-slalom-2009.php>

4. National Championships and World Rankings Race October 2-4 USACK would like to extend a special invitation to all U.S. Team Alumni and friends to the U.S. Nationals at the U.S. National Whitewater Center in Charlotte, North Carolina. Entry and race information can be found at the USACK website ([www.usack.org](http://www.usack.org)) or by clicking the attached link directly to the race page: <http://www.usack.org/event/event/1032> The Whitewater Slalom Foundation will be presenting awards to the top ranked boats in each

class following the first successful year of our rankings program. Current results can be seen at [www.whitewaterrankings.com](http://www.whitewaterrankings.com) 5. We will have a small and informal US team alumni event Saturday evening at the Nationals. Contact Scott Shipley [scott@s2odesign.net](mailto:scott@s2odesign.net) 6. Athlete blog of the month: <http://www.brettheyl.com> (Send more athlete Blogs & websites to [kentford@gobrainstorm.net](mailto:kentford@gobrainstorm.net)) 7. US Whitewater Slalom Foundation up and running Scott Shipley has stepped capably into operations of the Whitewater Slalom Foundation. A description of the Foundation (and donations page) can be found at <http://www.whitewaterslalom.us/whitewater-slalom-foundation.html> All best to all of you, Kent