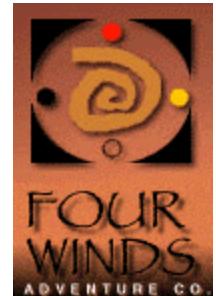




Lake Mead, Arizona/Nevada

Mountain Rage

Race Results



November 3-4, 2001

Northwest Composites Wins Four Winds '01: Mountain Rage/Lake Mead

Lake Mead — It may not have been the most traditional way to spend a honeymoon, but the result was sweet nonetheless as newlywed Jason Scharf, of team *Northwest Composites*, crossed the finish line first æ with teammate and captain Jerry French æ and into the arms of wife, Tracy, to win **Four Winds '01: Mountain Rage/Lake Mead**.

From the time they sprinted to the kayak start on the banks of the Colorado River, to their finish on the shores of Lake Mead, the two-person open squad maintained their lead for most of the race, which began at 7:08 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 3.

Following Northwest Composites half an hour later, the four-person mixed *Outdoor Extreme* (captain Jason Bagby, Heather Salzer-Allemeier, Carla Conti Bender, Brice Benefiel) captured second place; followed by two-person open *Blisterin'* (captain Kelly Elverum, Mike O'Donnell) about two hours later.

Spanning more than 100 miles between Nevada and Arizona in and around the country's second-largest manmade body of water, the course challenged mixed- and same-gender teams of two and four with such venues as hiking, flat- and moving water kayaking, mountain biking, rappelling, ascending and navigating.

From the emerald tinged waters of the Colorado River, framed between rocky canyon walls, to the open vistas of a stark desert landscape, racers paddled the Colorado, then hiked and biked their way to Lake Mead. Once in their kayaks, they paddled toward impressive buttes reminiscent of ancient temples and majestic fortifications, looking for a sheltered cove in which they would swim. Back on land, racers hiked out and upward onto plateaus via slick rocky washes, seeking checkpoints and the ropes section, which gave them the chance to decide strategy regarding getting to the rappel site: ascend or run around a mesa and hike up to the site. After completing the ropes section, racers hiked back down to a different cove to find their kayaks and gear, and raced home to the finish. Finishing second and third behind Outdoor Extreme in the four-person mixed category were teams *Ascent* (captain Adam Towle, Annabel Fernandez-Valledor, Greg Schlachter, Wyeth Towle) and *Tracey* (captain Rick Mazaira, Michael Latendresse, Sonja Mazaira, Luke Wayman), respectively.

Wild Blue Adventure Racing (captain Jonathan Redfern, Del Jantzen) took third-place honors in the two-person open field, while *Oz* (captain Barbara Olson, Douglas Thompson) won its two-person mixed category, followed by *Yellowstone Rimrunners* (Dan Gall, Laura Esp).

Four Winds will cap off the 2001 season with Mountain Rage/Lake Mead Nov. 3-4. For additional information, call (800) 775-7671; fax, 888-884-7671; e-mail, info@4windsadventure.com; or mail, 2675 West Highway 89A, Suite 451, Sedona, AZ, USA, 86336.

Team Times for USA Supreme, Utah USA 2002 in order of crossing the finish line are given in Tables 1 & 2 below.

Team Name	Team #	Start	Paddle-Hike-Bike/TA3 in	Time [h:mm]	Out to paddle from TA3	Time [h:mm]	Paddle/swim/hike/ropes/paddle/end TA6	Time [h:mm]	R.T. Finish \diamond	Time [h:mm]	course	A.T. Finish \approx	Time [h:mm]	Overall Ranking	Final Ranking in category
														1st Overall	1st 20
1. Northwest Composites	6	11/3 7:08A	11/3 8:50P	13:42	11/3 9:16P	14:08	11/4 7:10A	24:02	11/4 7:10A	24:02	Full	11/4 7:10A	24:02	2nd	1st 4M
2. Outdoor Extreme	31	11/3 7:08A	11/3 10:15P	15:07	11/3 10:53P	15:45	11/4 7:40A	24:32	11/4 7:40A	24:32	Full	11/4 7:40A	24:32	3rd	2nd 20
3. Blisterin'	12	11/3 7:08A	11/3 9:59P	14:51	11/3 11:22P	16:14	11/4 9:50A	26:42	11/4 9:50A	28:29	Full	11/4 9:50A	28:29	4th	2nd 4M
4. Ascent	22	11/3 7:08A	11/3 9:55P	14:47	11/3 10:28P	15:20	11/4 10:28A	27:20	11/4 10:28A	27:20	Full	11/4 10:28A	27:20	5th	3rd 20
5. Wild Blue	31	11/3 7:08A	11/3 9:36P	14:28	11/3 10:17P	15:09	11/4 11:21A	28:13	11/4 11:21A	28:13	Full	11/4 11:21A	28:13	6th	3rd 4M
6. Oz	7	11/3 7:08A	11/4 12:10A	17:02	11/4 1:20A	18:12	11/4 12:21P	29:13	11/4 12:21P	29:13	Full	11/4 12:21P	29:13	7th	4th 4M
7. Tracey	34	11/3 7:08A	11/4 1:33A	18:25	11/4 2:40A	19:32	11/4 12:49P	29:41	11/4 12:49P	29:41	Full	11/4 12:49P	29:41	8th	4th 20
8. Salmon Eco-Fishnet	33	11/3 7:08A	11/4 2:03A	18:55	11/4 3:50A	20:42	11/4 1:08P	30:00	11/4 1:08P	30:00	Full	11/4 1:08P	30:00	9th	5th 20
9. Sawbones	8	11/3 7:08A	11/3 11:49P	16:41	11/4 1:18A	18:10	11/4 1:12P	30:04	11/4 1:12P	30:04	Full	11/4 1:12P	30:04	10th	6th 20
10. Monkey Mix	5	11/3 7:08A	11/4 2:10A	19:02	11/4 3:37A	20:29	11/4 2:28P	31:20	11/4 2:28P	31:20	Full	11/4 2:28P	31:20	11th	1st 2M
11. Yellowstone Rimrunners	9	11/3 7:08A	11/4 4:28A	21:20	11/4 6:49A	23:41	11/4 2:08P	31:00	11/4 2:08P	31:00	Modified	11/4 6:19P	35:11	12th	7th 20
12. Tortoises	3	11/3 7:08A	11/4 3:21A	20:13	11/4 5:15A	22:07	11/4 4:16P	33:08	11/4 4:16P	33:08	Modified	11/4 8:46P	37:38	13th	5th 4M
13. High Anxiety	25	11/3 7:08A	11/4 3:41A	20:33	11/4 5:09A	22:01	11/4 4:30P	33:22	11/4 4:30P	33:22	Modified	11/4 9:00P	37:52	14th	6th 4M
14. Dead Point	23	11/3 7:08A	11/4 4:42A	21:34	11/4 3:32A	20:24	11/4 4:35P	33:27	11/4 4:35P	33:27	Modified	11/4 9:05P	37:57	15th	Unranked
15. Lake Mead Rangers-Off the Couch	28	11/3 7:08A	11/4 7:39A	24:31	11/4 8:57A	25:49	11/4 4:20P	33:12	11/4 4:20P	33:12	Shortened	11/5 12:50A	41:42	16th	Unranked
16. Lost Coyotes	4	11/3 7:08A	11/4 5:42A	22:34	11/4 9:11A	26:03	11/4 4:30P	33:22	11/4 5:45P	34:37	Shortened	11/5 1:00A	41:52	17th	Unranked
17. Pantellos	32	11/3 7:08A	11/4 7:29A	24:21	11/4 7:29A	24:21	11/4 5:15P	34:07	11/4 5:15P	34:07	Shortened	11/5 1:45A	42:37	dnf	dnf
18. Aegis Extreme	21	11/3 7:08A	11/4 4:30A	21:22	11/4 6:36A	23:28	dnf							dnf	dnf
19. Java Junkies	27	11/3 7:08A	11/4 5:09A	22:01	11/4 5:09A	22:01	dnf							dnf	dnf
20. NCOT	30	11/3 7:08A	11/4 1:37A	18:29	dnf									dnf	dnf
21. Erratic Behavior	24	11/3 7:08A	11/4 4:22A	21:14	dnf									dnf	dnf
22. Hypoxic	26	11/3 7:08A	11/4 4:30A	21:22	dnf									dnf	dnf
23. Mojo	29	11/3 7:08A	11/4 6:10A	23:02	dnf									dnf	dnf
24. California Dreamin'	2	11/3 7:08A	11/4 7:32A	24:24	dnf									dnf	dnf
25. 11-Sep		wd/t													
26. RK		wd/t													
27. Hemorrhage		wd/t													
28. Awakening		wd/t													
29. Dsnyder		wd/t													
30. Pine Nuts		wd/t													
31. Spanish Inquisition		wd/t													
32. Beans & Rice		wd/t													
33. Stoic		wd/t													
34. Austin		wd/t													
35. 7110		wd/t													
36. Timex		wd/t													
37. Got Yicodin		wd/t													

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