

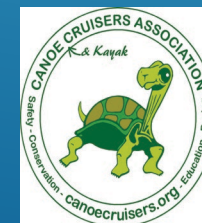


2025 ICF US Wildwater National Championships And 2026 US Team Trials (Race #1)

Potomac, Maryland

C&O Canal National Historical Park

August 30 and 31, 2025



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Key Dates

Official Championships: August 30 and 31, 2025

Wildwater Canoe Registration

Deadline – Thursday August 28 at midnight

Online Link:

[American Canoe Association](#)

Race Fee - \$40/person (ACA members), and
\$50/person (Non ACA members to cover insurance cost), multiple classes

PRACTICE DATES: Potomac River & access points
available any days . Contact Race Director for an
organized training on Friday, August 29.

Race Director – Bob Bofinger
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Useful Information

EVENT NAME: 2025 USA Wildwater Nationals/2026 US Team Trials (Race #1)

LOCATION: Potomac River, Maryland.

– C&O Canal NHP -- Anglers Inn and Great Falls Tavern Parking Lots

RIVER ACCESS: SEE ATTACHED DETAIL MAPS – Pages 7 & 8

**ALL RACE LOCATIONS AND TIMING ARE WEATHER AND WATER DEPENDENT,
THUS SUBJECT TO CHANGE.**

Sprint Course Aug 30: Through Maryland Chutes of Potomac River, a class II rapid. Length .40 Mile (600 meters)

Classic Course Aug 31: Rocky Cove eddy to Carderock approx. 4 miles (6.40 kilometers) with class II rapids

Race Classes: Sprint and Classic

Wildwater: K1M, K1W, C1M, C2M, C1W, C2W, JR., U23, Senior and Masters
Non-Wildwater boats such as plastic longboats or open canoes are welcome to compete as long as they meet ICF Wildwater rules


LOWER POTOMAC RIVER: Average flow of this section of the Potomac in late August is 3400 CFS on the USGS Little Falls gage. Average water temperature for this time is 81.

WEATHER: Average August high temperature is 80°F

Competition Rules

The 2025 ICF US National Championships on the Potomac River will be organized in accordance with the ICF Wildwater Canoeing Racing and Competition Rules - 2025 ICF Wildwater Canoeing Rules

Boats, PFDs, helmets & float bags will be checked through boat control and approved by the Chief Judge.

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HOST/RACE ORGANIZER: USA Wildwater Committee and Canoe Cruisers Association

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Webpages:

<https://americancanoe.org/competition/teams/icf-sports/wildwater>

<https://www.canoecruisers.org>

On Facebook and Instagram:

USA Wildwater

Canoe Cruisers Association

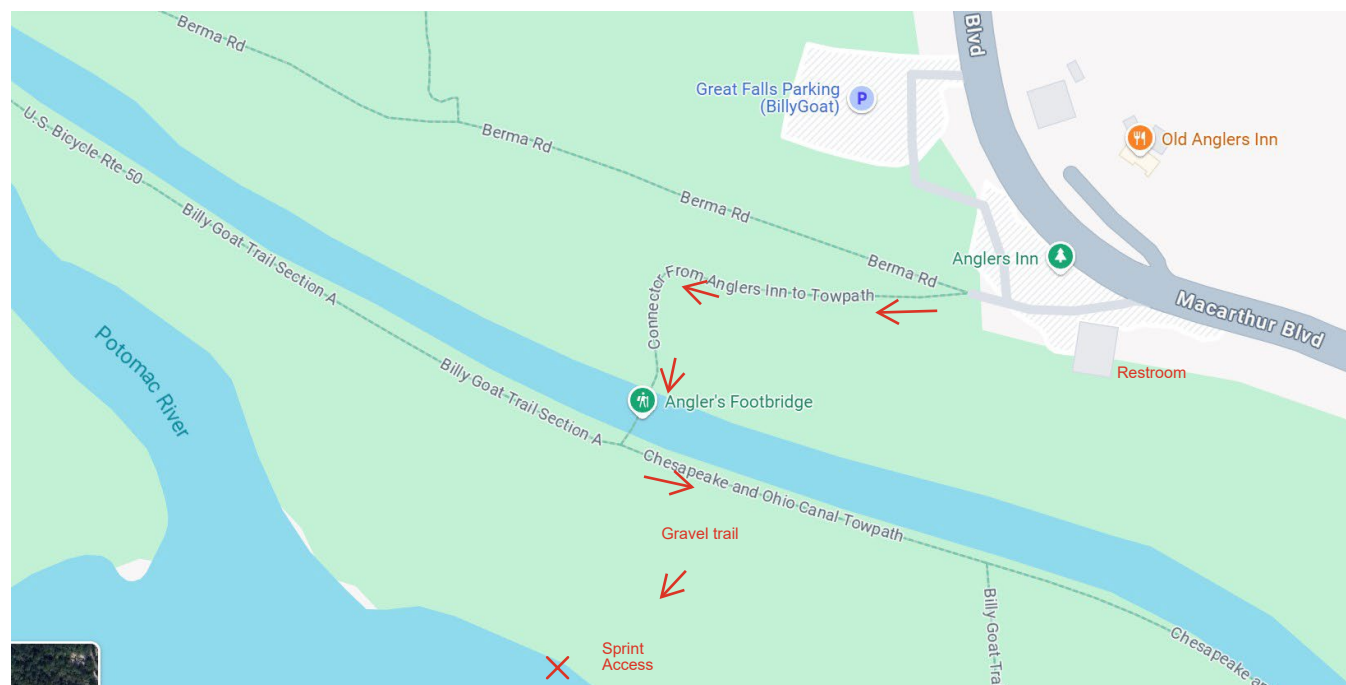
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SPRINT COURSE

Saturday, August 30, 2025

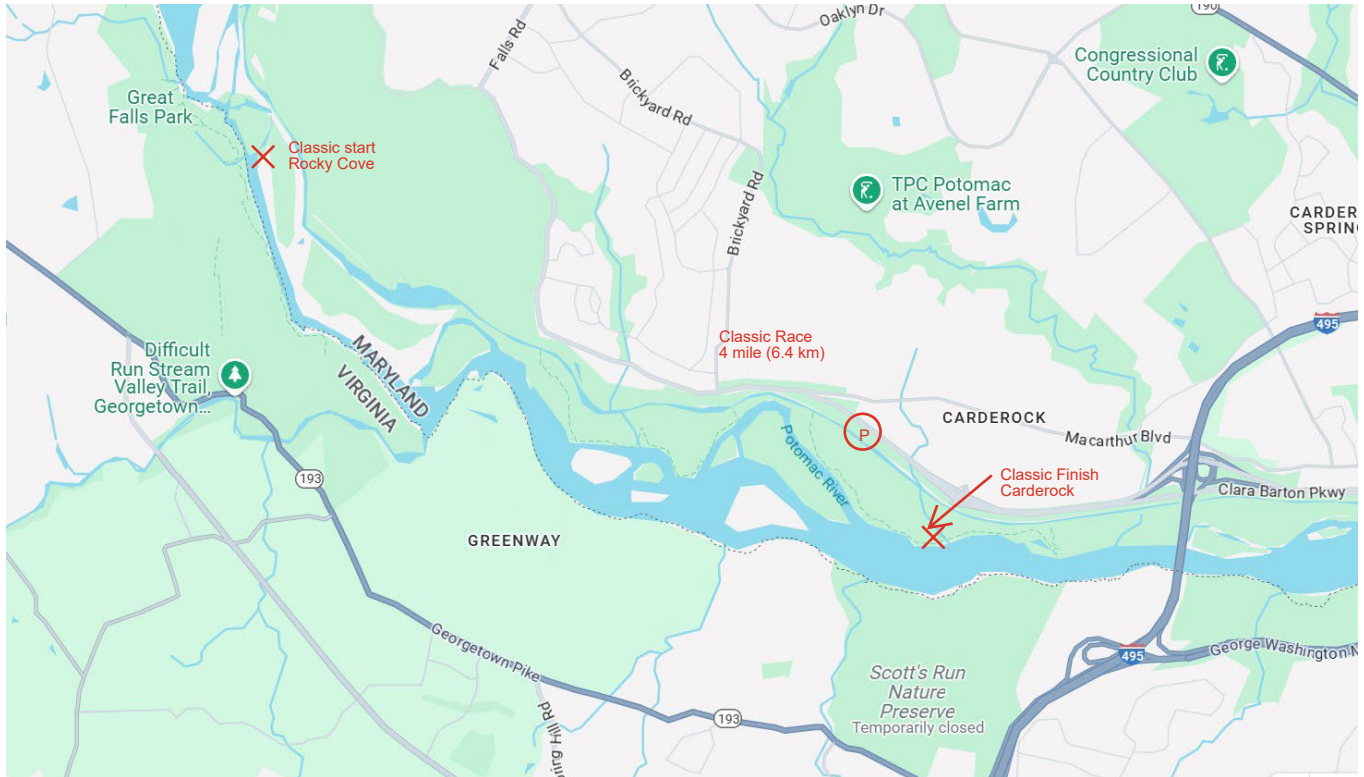


ACCESS



CLASSIC COURSE

Sunday, August 31, 2025



ACCESS



C&O Canal National Historical Park



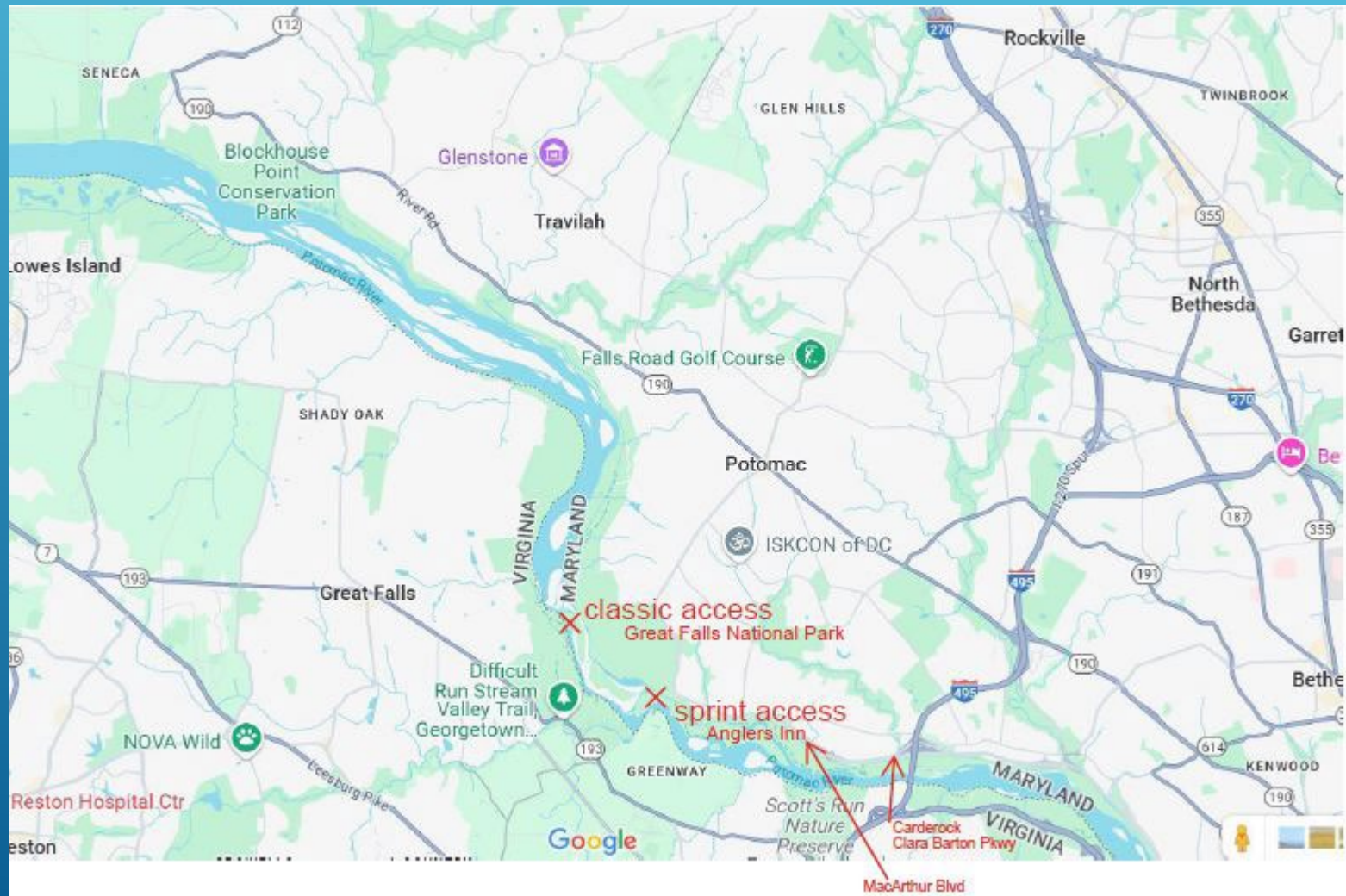
The C&O Canal NHP runs along the Potomac River between Washington, DC, and Cumberland, MD. The Park provides access to the Potomac River, which is the boundary between Maryland and Virginia. The spectacular Great Falls of the Potomac and Mather Gorge provide whitewater paddling opportunities from class V to II.

Wildwater National Championships will access the Potomac from river put-ins across from Old Anglers Inn, the Great Falls Tavern, and Carderock Recreation Area.



DIRECTIONS

From the Capital Beltway (I-495) take Exit 41 onto the Clara Barton Parkway going west. Take Clara Barton Parkway to Macarthur Boulevard. Turn left onto Macarthur Blvd at the light. Proceed to the parking lot that is directly across from Old Anglers Inn at 10801 Macarthur Blvd (38.981776704561085, -77.22674787282838)



Food & Accommodations

Potomac, Maryland, is an affluent suburb in Montgomery County. Bethesda and Rockville are within 10 miles of race venues. All major chains have hotels there. Hundreds of restaurants offering a wide range of cuisines and prices are in Bethesda and Rockville.

Some local close-by favorite restaurants are:

Fish Taco and Red Tomato on Macarthur Blvd

Potomac Pizza, Vie de France and Duke's Grocery in Potomac Village

Hotel suggestions:

Red Roof Inn, Rockville

Best Western Rockville

Hyatt Regency, Bethesda

Camping Suggestions

Little Bennett Campground - Clarksburg

Fairfax County Burke Lake Park

Swains Lock

Brunswick Family Campground