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Collegiate Students Brave Cold Weather on Rappahannock to Race in ACA Collegiate Race Series!

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Students from [Sweet Briar College](#) and [Hollins University](#) endured Virginia's first taste of winter this weekend when they met on the Rappahannock River in Fredericksburg to compete in the ACA Collegiate Race Series Virginia Championship. Sixteen students from these two schools got on the water Saturday October 29th in the spirit of competition to for a downriver whitewater race put on by the ACA for collegiate paddlers.

The race took place on the often boated section of the Rappahannock River that starts at the Virginia Outdoor Center and ends where the river becomes tidal water. This section includes the rapid, 1st Drop, a popular class III rapid for the local area boaters. These students took on this rapid, the rain and sub 40 degree temperatures. They donned their cold weather gear and put up some great times on the race course!

The paddlers competed in three classes, OC1, K1 and OC2. Hollins Outdoor Student-athlete Carmella Glazier took the OC1 title with a time of 11 m 34 s, and her teammates Tia DelPup and Mia McDonald took the OC2 title with a time of 11 m 9s, which also was the fastest time of the day. The highly contested K1 class was the closest race of the day; Hollins' Madeleine Regan edged out Sweet Briar's Sydney Fuller by 1 s to claim the K1 title with a time of 11 m 12 s.

The ACA would like to thank Hollins University and Sweet Briar College for their attendance of the ACA Collegiate Race Series and their continued support of the ACA and paddlesports.

The ACA would also like to thank the [Virginia Outdoor Center](#), [Subaru](#), and Primavera Pizza for their support of the event, the ACA and paddlesports.

For more information and full race results: [ACA Collegiate Race Series Virginia Championships](#)

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