



CORA Annual General Meeting Minutes
Sunday, November 10, 2019 at 1:00 pm PT
Jericho Sailing Centre, Northwest Room
1300 Discovery St., Vancouver BC

- 1. Welcome and Call to Order (Rob Varnel)**
 - a. Board Members in Attendance: Leanne Stanley, Nicole Cherrington, Erik Ages, Ron Chin, Marianne Pilon, Grace Morrisette, Graeme Galves, Rob Varnel, Paul Pilon, Don Mulhall, Jonathan Wilkins, Mony Sy
 - b. Board Members Absent: Lynda Roberts
 - c. Members in Attendance: Jan Chavarie (Jericho), Cindy Wright (ORPC), Tara Hastings (FGPC), Launa Maundrell (PRCC), Scott Borle (FVPC), Rob Magus (FCRCC)
 - d. Member joining by phone: (No one had joined by the end of agenda point 6. Phone was disconnected at that point.)
- 2. Presentation and Acceptance of previous 2018 AGM minutes (Rob Varnel)**
 - a. Motioned by Rob to accept 2018 minutes as presented. Seconded by Launa.
- 3. Changes, additions, and acceptance of agenda (Rob Varnel)**
 - a. Motioned by Rob to approve as agenda as presented. Cindy seconded.
- 4. Presidents Report: A year in review (Rob Varnel)**
 - a. (See report appended to pdf copy of minutes.)
- 5. Treasurer's Report: (Jonathan Wilkins)**
 - a. 2019 Financials

- This topic was presented at this morning's Technical meeting. Since there were no new meeting attendees present for the AGM this afternoon, only a few report highlights were made. (Please see report appended to pdf copy of AGM minutes.)
 - CORA is moving to a new digital business bank account to reduce the transaction fees our regular bank account charges
 - The move from PayPal to Square has helped reduce transaction fees
 - Jonathan is looking into conference call alternatives to reduce costs
 - Uniform costs: Rob had asked why CORA does not make a profit from coordinating the IVF Team Canada uniforms. The IVF committee aims to reduce the costs for paddlers racing abroad rather than bring in a profit. The minimal amount of profit CORA could collect, would also necessitate some extra effort in filing GST.
- b. Proposed 2020 budget
- This topic was presented at this morning's Technical meeting. Since there were no new meeting attendees present for the AGM this afternoon, only a few new points were raised. (Please see report appended to pdf copy of AGM minutes.)
 - We hope eventually to have a CORA Cup in the east and help contribute funds towards it
 - There is interest in adding a budget of about \$500-1000 for translating CORA documentation into French. CORA to put a call out for member volunteers to do the translations. Mony may be able to help review the submissions of translated documents. The membership approved Jonathan adding this to the budget. Eventually Board will have to draft a plan about whether every document is translated or a staged plan for certain documentation to be prioritized.
 - No other considerations.

6. Waive the appointment of auditors (Ron Chin)

- a. The budget is not significant enough to warrant the expense of the appointment of auditors.
- b. Ron moves to waive the appointment of auditors, and Rob seconds. Passed.

(No one joined the teleconference, so it was disconnected at this point in the agenda.)

7. Membership Report (Jan Chavarie and Grace Morissette)

- a. (See report appended to the pdf copy of the minutes.)
- b. Significantly more memberships in 2019 compared to 2018
- c. Positive move to electronic payments/transactions from paper and cash
- d. Significant growth in members in the Open and 60+ categories.

8. Communications Report (Erik Ages, Graeme Galves, Paul Pilon)

- a. This topic was presented at this morning's Technical meeting. Since there were no new meeting attendees present for the AGM this afternoon, only a few technology improvements were highlighted by Erik. (Please see report appended to pdf copy of AGM minutes.)
- b. Paul spoke about the social media stats, and our social media presence has been quite successful. We plan to leverage social media even more to increase community engagement.
- c. CORA Board is considering sending out a newsletter to members twice a year.

9. IVF Report (Lynda Roberts, Leanne Stanley)

- a. This topic was presented at this morning's Technical meeting. Since there were no new meeting attendees present for the AGM this afternoon, Leanne only recapped some of the main points in the report drafted by Lynda. (Please see report appended to pdf copy of AGM minutes.)
- b. Lynda is stepping down from her role. CORA would like to acknowledge her significant contributions over these past years.

10. Insurance Report (Rob Varnel)

- a. There have been no claims over this past year.

11. Safety Report (Rob Varnel)

- a. No incidences to report this year.
- b. At Fort Langley there was potential risk for a large incident where some canoes crossed the path of a moving tug towing a log boom, forcing the tug to hard break as the load caught up with them. The Fort Langley teams knew what to do. The situation was followed up on with the crews that took this unsafe risk. It was recommended that the escort boat have handled the situation differently as well. A written record was not documented as the situation was handled verbally at the event.
- c. It was noted that motorboats can swamp canoes with their wake/waves.

12. New and ongoing CORA Initiatives

- a. Committee to help with Outrigger Coaching Program (Leanne)
 - This was presented at this morning's Technical meeting. Since there were no new meeting attendees present for the AGM this afternoon, the topic was not revisited. (Please see report appended to pdf copy of AGM minutes. Also see Technical meeting minutes.)
- b. Graeme would like to see a Canadian win the Peter Forland Masters Challenge trophy this year, once it is found. Graeme will create a post on the front page of the webpage with a photo, with a request for the CORA membership to help locate it.
- c. Ross Creasy was to outline the Hugh Townsend award overview, rules etc. for CORA. Erik, Graeme and Rob to research any documentation we have and where the nominations are directed.

13. Recap of the 2019 race calendar (Graeme Galves)

- a. This topic was presented at this morning's Technical meeting. Since there were no new meeting attendees present for the AGM this afternoon, a quick overview was given. (Please see report appended to pdf copy of AGM minutes. Also see Technical meeting minutes.)

14. Review of new 2020 race calendar (Ron Chin)

- a. This topic was presented at this morning's Technical meeting. Since there were no new meeting attendees present for the AGM this afternoon, no new points were raised. (Please see report appended to pdf copy of AGM minutes. Also see Technical meeting minutes.)
- b. Race calendar will be posted today: <https://canadianoutrigger.ca/races/race-schedule/> Click on the "2020" button.

15. Does membership have input for how to improve race experiences?

- a. See notes from Technical meeting. No new points raised.

16. New Business (Rob Varnel: round table to all)

- a. Website race calendar: it is desired for timely results to be posted onto the website. Within 24-48 hours is preferred. CORA is looking for a way to enforce this. It is being addressed.
- b. Jonathan says AGM travel expenses are to be submitted by the CORA Board to the treasurer no later than Dec 1.

17. Voting for the 2020 Board of Directors (Nicole Cherrington)

- a. Staged timelines for Board re-elections (Rob Varnel)
 - Rob gave an overview of CORA's plan for staged re-elections, so that we do not lose too many Board Directors at once.
 - This will be a standing AGM agenda point every year
 - We ask every director to stay for 3 years for continuity.
 - We confirmed the cycles that each director is in (year 1, 2, or 3 years)

	<u>2020</u>	<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
Rob Varnel	up for re-election in 2020		
Don Mulhall			
Erik Ages			
Grace Morissette			
Ron Chin		up for re-election in 2021	
Leanne Stanley			
Mony Sy			
Graeme Galves			up for re-election in 2022
Jonathan Wilkins			
Marianne Pilon			
Rob Magus			

b. Nominations

- Continuing directors:
 - Rob is stepping down from the President role and nominates Ron to take over as President.
 - Jonathan will remain on as Treasurer.
 - Marianne is interested in taking over the Secretary role.
 - Lynda, Nicole and Paul are leaving the Board this year. Paul may participate in some of CORA initiatives even after he leaves the role as Director.
 - CORA membership was asked to support the CORA Board's staged re-election plan above. All in favour.
- New directors:
 - Prior to the meeting Rob Magus was nominated to the Board by Melanie Conard and accepted the nomination.
 - Rob Magus nominated Scott Borle to join the Board. Jonathan seconds. Scott accepts.
 - Membership all in favour of accepting these new nominees to the Board.
- CORA members are elected to the Board. The Board designates the roles to the new Board members.
- How can we get the CORA membership to attend the AGM, to volunteer or act as a director? Does CORA Board and its membership need to more actively recruit? Is the membership satisfied with the job the current members are filling and don't feel additional Directors are needed? Consider putting together a recruitment committee.
- Thanks was given for the current's board's efforts

Meeting adjourned at 1:58pm

Action items identified in CORA Annual General Meeting, Nov 10, 2019

No.	Assignee	Action Item	Due Date
AGM 1	Jonathan	Add a \$500-1000 budget for translating some CORA documentation into French, as part of CORA's 2020 spending plan	
AGM 2	Graeme	Draft a post for the web page with a photo and a request for the CORA membership to help locate the Peter Forland Masters Challenge trophy	
AGM 3	Erik, Graeme and Rob	Research to see if CORA has any Hugh Townsend award documentation (overview, rules, nominations)	

CORA President's report 2019

2019 was another very busy year for the CORA board. Many new initiatives were started and completed. As you will hear from the many committees a lot has been accomplished. The well organised team of directors has again made my role very easy.

I would like to thank all the directors who volunteered their person time to make the association run smoothly. It is only for the love of the sport that everyone puts in their personal time. A special thank you to Nicole our Secretary who has kept us organised for the past 3 years.

Selection for Team Canada for the 2020 World Sprint Championships is complete and once all crews have committed training camps will be set for next year. Thanks to the volunteer coaches and selection committee, to keep Canada organised.

Our finances keep getting better reported to Jonathan our Treasurer.

Our new website has been launched. Thanks, Erik, for the massive effort to get this done.

We have managed, with Ron's effort, to get the race calendar almost completely filled out with all conflicts dealt with before our technical meeting. This has made for a much smother process than ever before.

Thanks again to all who volunteered again this year.

Rob Varnel.

Financial Statements of

CANADIAN OUTRIGGER RACING ASSOCIATION

**For the 9 months to
September 30, 2019**

**And for the year to
December 31, 2018**

(Unaudited)

CANADIAN OUTRIGGER RACING ASSOCIATION

**Balance Sheet as at
September 30, 2019**
(Unaudited)

	General	IVF	Total	12/31/18
	\$	\$	\$	\$
ASSETS				
Cash at RBC	53,574.53	8,339.63	61,914.16	15,700
Cash at Paypal	-	-	-	
Cash at Square	-	-	-	
Term Investments	[1] 40,000.00	-	40,000.00	60,000
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>93,574.53</u>	<u>8,339.63</u>	<u>101,914.16</u>	<u>75,700</u>
LIABILITIES				
Accounts Payable	-	-	-	
Accrued Liabilities	93,574.53	8,339.63	101,914.16	75,700
NET ASSETS	<u>93,574.53</u>	<u>8,339.63</u>	<u>101,914.16</u>	<u>75,700</u>

Jonathan Wilkins

Director

[1] Consists of GIC's held at the following rates:

<u>Issue date</u>	<u>Maturity Date</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest rate</u>	<u>Terms</u>
February 11, 2019	February 11, 2020	\$10,000.00	2.50%	Non-Redeemable
February 11, 2019	February 11, 2020	\$10,000.00	2.50%	Non-Redeemable
August 6, 2019	August 6, 2020	\$20,000.00	2.10%	Non Redeemable
		\$40,000.00		

CANADIAN OUTRIGGER RACING ASSOCIATION

Statement of Operations - General Account

For the period to September 30, 2019

(Unaudited)

	Total y-t-d	Predicted 2019	Budget 2019	Difference	2018 Actual
REVENUES (Net of GST)	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Membership - Annual Adult	47,805	47,805	39,242	8,563	}
Membership - Annual Junior	1,017	964	629	387	}
Membership - One Day Adult	3,257	3,092	4,029	(772)	}
Membership - One Day Junior	156	135	362	(206)	}
Club Fees	6,396	6,066	5,140	1,256	4,675
Other - GIC interest	754	754	1,100	(346)	848
* Input Tax Credit (GST Refund)	-	-	300	(300)	
TOTAL REVENUES	59,385	56,772	50,803	8,582	45,650
EXPENSES (Net of GST)	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Grant - Clinic	600	600	4,000	(3,400)	1,782
Grant - Repairs and Maintenance	1,987	15,000	15,000	(13,013)	15,000
Grant - Coaching Education	580	580	4,000	(3,420)	681
Grant - Regional Coach Coaches	-	-	5,000	(5,000)	
Grant - Canoe Trailing	5,079	5,079	8,000	(2,921)	8,610
Grant - Nationals Hosting - Distance	1,500	1,500	1,500	-	1,500
Grant - Nationals Hosting - Sprint	1,000	1,000	1,000	-	1,000
Sprint Nationals Boat Rental	1,000	1,000	1,000	-	1,000
Medals and Awards	3,332	3,184	1,600	1,732	1,363
IVF Membership & Expenses	991	991	1,600	(609)	806
Bank Charges - RBC	159	188	100	59	61
Bank Charges - Square & PayPal	2,319	2,500	1,600	719	1,647
Insurance	5,814	5,814	5,800	14	5,700
* AGM Expenses	486	3,800	2,800	(2,314)	2,326
* Accounting and Legal	672	655	1,200	(528)	1,080
* Office and Admin	1,234	1,179	200	1,034	226
* Telephone	669	830	800	(131)	485
* Website Operation	900	900	500	400	1,457
* Website Replacement	4,200	4,000	4,000	200	-
	32,522	48,800	59,700	(27,178)	44,724
Inter-account transfers to IVF	5,000	5,000	5,000	-	5,000
Excess/(Deficiency) Revenue over Expenses	<u>21,862</u>	<u>2,972</u>	<u>(13,897)</u>	<u>35,760</u>	<u>(4,074)</u>

CANADIAN OUTRIGGER RACING ASSOCIATION

Statement of Operations - IVF Division

For the period ended **September 30, 2019**

(Unaudited)

	re: 2019 Mooloolaba		re: 2020 Hilo		Combined		Combined
	Actual y-t-d	Annual Budget	Actual y-t-d	Annual Budget	Actual y-t-d	Annual Budget	2018 Actual
REVENUES							
Intent Fee			3,700	-	3,700	-	
Trial Fees		-	-	4,800	-	4,800	} 5,223
Training Camp Fees	-	3,000	-	1,500	-	4,500	
IVF Race Fees 2019	6,410	8,000			6,410	8,000	} 1,860
IVF Race Fees 2020			-	-	-	-	
Uniform Sales	-	6,600			-	6,600	6,565
Grant from General	5,000	5,000			5,000	5,000	5,000
Other income	-				-	-	
TOTAL REVENUE	11,410	22,600	3,700	6,300	15,110	28,900	18,648
EXPENSES							
Bank Charges	103	75	42	-	145	75	112
Paypal Charges	-	103	-	150	-	253	337
Event Expenses	-	450			-	450	-
Admin	-	50		100	-	150	-
Travel IVF 2019	4,500	5,000			4,500	5,000	-
Travel IVF 2020					-	-	-
Uniform Purchase	-	6,000			-	6,000	5,362
IVF Entry Fees 2019	7,537	8,000			7,537	8,000	3,137
IVF Entry Fees 2020					-	-	
Camps - Expenses	553	4,600	-	2,500	553	7,100	5,219
Camps - Coaching	1,258	2,400	-	2,000	1,258	4,400	2,200
TOTAL EXPENSES	13,952	26,678	42	4,750	13,994	31,428	16,368
Profit / Loss	(2,542)	(4,078)	3,659	1,550	1,116	(2,528)	2,279

**General Account
Budget Proposals 2020**

	Budget 2020	Predicted 2019	Year to 9/30/19	Budget 2019	Actual 2018
REVENUES (Net of GST)	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Membership - Annual Adult	47,000	47,805	47,805	39,242	}
Membership - Annual Junior	1,200	1,017	1,017	629	}
Membership - One Day Adult	3,000	3,400	3,257	4,029	} 40,127
Membership - One Day Junior	100	176	156	362	}
Club Fees	6,300	6,396	6,396	5,140	4,675
Other - GIC interest	900	754	754	1,100	848
* Input Tax Credit (GST Refund)	500	-	-	300	
TOTAL REVENUES	59,000	56,772	59,385	50,802	45,650
EXPENSES (Net of GST)	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Grant - Clinic	1,200	600	600	4,000	1,782
Grant - Repairs and Maintenance	15,000	15,000	1,987	15,000	15,000
Grant - Coaching Education	1,000	580	580	4,000	681
Grant - Regional Coach Coaches	5,000	-	-	5,000	
Grant - Canoe Trailering	8,000	5,079	5,079	8,000	8,610
Grant - Nationals Hosting - Distance	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Grant - Nationals Hosting - Sprint	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Grant - CORA Cup races	4,000	-	-	-	-
Sprint Nationals Boat Rental	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Medals and Awards	1,600	3,332	3,332	1,600	1,363
IVF Membership & Expenses	1,600	991	991	1,600	806
Bank Charges - RBC	200	188	159	100	61
Bank Charges - Square & PayPal	2,500	2,500	2,319	1,600	1,647
Insurance	6,500	5,814	5,814	5,800	5,700
* AGM Expenses	4,000	3,800	486	2,800	2,326
* Accounting and Legal	1,000	672	672	1,200	1,080
* Office and Admin	200	1,234	1,234	200	226
* Telephone	300	830	669	800	485
* Social Media Advertising	500	-	-	-	-
* Website Operation	200	900	900	500	1,457
* Website Enhancement	2,000	4,200	4,200	4,000	-
	58,300	49,220	32,522	59,700	44,724
Inter-account transfers to IVF	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Excess/(Deficiency) Revenue over Expense	<u>(4,300)</u>	<u>2,552</u>	<u>21,863</u>	<u>(13,898)</u>	<u>(4,074)</u>

**IVF Division
Budget Proposals 2020**

	re: 2020 Hilo			Actual Tahiti	re: 2021 Samoa			Actual Mooloolaba
	2020 Budget		Both years	Both years	2020 Budget		Both years	Both years
REVENUES (Net of GST)								
Intent/Trial Fee			3,680	1,520	3,000		3,000	5,083
Training Camp Fees	3,320		3,320		-		3,000	
IVF Race Fees 2020	15,000		15,000	6,260				6,410
IVF Race Fees 2021					-		10,000	
Uniform Sales				6,565				
Grant from General	5,000		5,000	5,000	-		5,000	5,000
TOTAL REVENUE	23,320		27,000	19,345	3,000		21,000	16,493
EXPENSES (Net of GST)								
Bank Charges	50		100	112	100		200	100
Square Charges	200		200	517	100		200	
Admin	200		200		-		100	
Travel/Expenses IVF 2020	5,500		5,500	4,500				4,500
Travel/Expenses IVF 2021					-		5,500	
Uniform Purchase				5,362				
IVF Entry Fees 2020	15,000		15,000	6,263				7,537
IVF Entry Fees 2021					-		10,000	
Camps - Expenses	2,000		2,000	1,373	1,000		2,500	4,399
Camps - Coaching	4,000		4,000	1,000	1,000		2,500	2,458
TOTAL EXPENSES	26,950		27,000	19,127	2,200		21,000	18,994
Profit / Loss	(3,630)		-	218	800		-	(2,501)

CORA Membership Report 2019

CORA Club	# paddlers
Belleville Outrigger Canoe Club	15
Calgary Canoe Club	36
Campbell River Outrigger (New)	
Club Bon Accueil	6
Club de Outrigger Montreal	27
Comox Valley Canoe Racing Club	49
Delta Outrigger Kanu Association	19
Dragon Zone Paddle Club	102
Fairway Gorge Paddling Club	105
False Creek Racing Canoe Club	234
Fort Langley Canoe Club	104
Fraser Valley Paddling Club	52
Gibsons Paddle Club	16
H2O Outrigger (New)	15
Jericho Paddling Club	39
Kelowna Paddle Centre	58
Latitude 48 Paddling Club	65
Leduc Boat Club	49
Lotus Sports Club	58
Maple Bay Ocean Canoe Club	32
Nanaimo Ocean Paddling Club	116
Nanaimo Paddle Centre	12
Ocean River Paddling Club	27
Pacific Reach Paddling Club	34
Pearson College (New)	
Pemberton Canoe Association	2
Penticton Racing Canoe Club	66
Powell River OC Society	29
Prince Rupert Outrigger Association	23
Shuswap Association for Rowing & Paddling	
Sproat Lake Canoe Club	39
Squamish Paddling Club	
Sunnyside Paddling Club (New)	
Thunder Bay Outrigger Club (New)	19
TSCC Maka Koa Outrigger	46
Vancouver Island Paddling (New)	20
Vancouver Ocean Sports	24
Vernon Paddling Centre	19
Victoria Canoe and Kayak Club	34
Victoria Youth Paddling Club	10
Wailua Outrigger Canoe Club	35
Other Clubs	62
Unaffiliated	73

Division	2017	2018	2019
Junior	57	74	114
Open	310	201	318
Masters 40+	261	248	292
Masters 50+	398	409	439
Masters 60+	212	256	482
Masters 70+	95	125	135

Total Annual Memberships	
2002	621
2003	875
2004	988
2005	1002
2006	875
2007	880
2008	904
2009	956
2010	1171
2011	1123
2012	1325
2013	1371
2014	1422
2015	1450
2016	1462
2017	1483
2018	1483
2019	1780

Gender	
Female	1017
Male	761
Other	2

Online Registrations	
2015	965 (66%)
2016	1010 (69%)
2017	1092 (73%)
2018	1078 (72%)
2019	1647 (92%)

2019 Single Event Memberships	
Adult	247
Junior	30
Online	221 (80%)

CORA Membership Report 2019

2019 Online Registrations	
January	907
February	108
March	184
April	208
May	141
June	63
July	51
August	42
September	58
October	23

Membership registration is an ongoing process with forms and fees coming in online, at races, by mail, or handed to a CORA board member. Registrations start coming in before the January Lotus Ice Breaker and continue throughout the year. Online registration is now very easy; please encourage your paddlers to renew their memberships via the new CORA website.

CORA COMMUNICATION DIRECTOR'S REPORT - 2019

CORA has renovated its existing communications channels and implemented new tools to accommodate the needs of an expanding membership through its website (new in 2019) and online fulfillment, including online forms for registration, fees and payments, as well as social media offerings.

CORA online forms, payments and procedures:

CORA has implemented cloud-based workflow across its internal and external communications responsibilities. This workflow includes online versions of CORA forms, registrations and payments. Applications to host CORA-sanctioned events in preparation for the publication of Canada's annual race calendar, for example, are now transacted online; shortly after the 2019 AGM, data collected through the race sanctioning process will also be displayed on line by means of the new CORA Race Calendar.

CORA's individual and club membership system is another example of how improved networking was operationalized over the 2019 year. All memberships and associated data are collected and made available to race directors, club officials and the CORA board by means of a system that refreshes with incoming membership data across all channels (e.g. on-line lists for club officials and race directors).

CORA website:

A new CORA website was built and published over the 2019 year. The advantages of this new platform include:

- better intrusion protection
- more interactivity in public and private modes (e.g. interactive feeds permit direct post-to-reader interaction, as well as public forum dialogue)
- on-line historical, current and forward race schedules
- on-line memberships (with capacity to add capacity in terms of published data)
- on-line payments for a range of transactions, including memberships, tuition, race fees, etc.

In 2020, access to and responsibility for submissions and edits on the new platform will be shared with board directors and external contributors, as directed by the CORA board.

Statistics for website usage generated via the new platform will be available in the first quarter of 2020.

Social Media

Facebook:

CORA utilizes Facebook to communicate with its membership and expand its reach to potential new members

- Followers of the CORA Facebook page in 2019 grew to 1150, up from 994 in 2018 (865 in 2017; 781 in 2016). The follower base is relatively low for an agency with a national scope; the board will discuss options of targeted advertising and scheduled content development in order to

increase subscriber numbers and site traffic. An accompanying Instagram presence will also be considered.

- There were 74 Facebook posts in 2019 which reached over 47,284 with an average reach per post of 640 and some posts reaching over 2000.

YouTube:

- Bailing Tutorial: Uploaded 6 yrs. ago, Total Views: 2,614, Views in 2019: 418
- Huli Tutorial: Uploaded 5 yrs. ago, Total Views: 35,757, Views in 2019: 8,232
- Rope Rigging Iako to Ama: Uploaded 5 yrs. ago, Total Views: 10,232, Views in 2019: 2,449
- Rope Rigging Iako to Hull: Uploaded 4 yrs. ago, Total Views: 1,891, Views in 2019: 1,340

Twitter:

- 508 followers

Summary:

CORA is committed to ongoing refinements of its communications channels and increasing the accessibility and ease-of-use of these assets among our member base and at the board level.

We urge member clubs and individual members continue to link to CORA's website, Facebook page and YouTube videos from their own websites and make a concerted effort in 2020 to like, share and comment on CORA's posts and bulletins on its various channels, including:

- CORA Website: www.canadianoutrigger.ca
- CORA Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/canadianoutrigger>
- CORA YouTube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/user/CanadianOutrigger>
- CORA Twitter Feed: <https://twitter.com/CdnOutrigger>

CORA welcomes comments from its members on how communication to and from CORA's website and social media sites can be improved.

Direct all comments and enquiries to info@canadianoutrigger.ca

2019 CORA AGM, IVF Director Report

2019 was a very busy season for the IVF projects with the 2019 Distance Team and 2020 Selection process overlapping this season.

The Team Canada Distance Team participated in a couple of camps and attended the World Distance championships in Mooloolaba in August.

Canada was represented with crews in 9 out of the 12 age/gender categories (not including adaptive). Canada won 5 medals and had 11 top 10 placings. A big thanks goes to Leanne Stanley, James Hill and Cindy Wright for their guidance and coaching throughout the project.

A follow up survey to participants is still to be sent out to gather feedback to help continue to improve the process of selection, camps and event support. The next World Distance Championship is scheduled for August 8-15, 2021 in Samoa.

<https://www.facebook.com/481202838626017/videos/2210143925733852/>

Information on the 2021 selection process will be posted on the CORA website in early 2020.

IVF Sprint Project

Two sets of selection trials were held for the 2020 Team. There were 24 paddlers in attendance at the east trials and 184 in Calgary (aka Snow trials 2019).

At this time, we anticipate that Canada will be represented in all age categories and almost fill the full quota of entries allowed. We are allotted 3 entries for each of the V1 categories (all filled) and 6 for the V6 entries. We have interest from the PNW Lummi tribe to join Team Canada for the U16 and U19 categories. We also have 3 V6 entries from the East which is a first for Team Canada.

Once the 2020 CORA schedule is set, we will announce camps for the various Elite, Club and Free agent teams to participate at. Funds from CORA and selection trial entries will allow us to support camps by off setting costs to cover coaching, equipment use, etc.

Presented by: Lynda Roberts, IVF Director

Next up: 2020 World Sprints, Hilo Hawaii: August 15-23



CORA 2019 Race Results Report

Race Results:

- With the new CORA website and a reorganization of content, for 2019 and going forward, Race Results PDFs are now named as YEAR Club Event (2019 FGPC Wetdashe): <https://canadianoutrigger.ca/races/race-results/>

Race Results Format:

- Race Results continue to be collected and reported in various formats including PDFs and Google Sheets and WebScorer and Photographs and unformatted emails.
- CORA hopes to address this concern by introducing a standardized Race Results template that will facilitate CORA Cup Series Points tracking and reporting.

Winter Series Small Boat Racing:

- PNWORCA Winter Series Summary: <https://canadianoutrigger.ca/category/cora-news/page/3/>
- Over the course of the 2019 PNWORCA Winter Series, Canada had 6 paddlers in their division place in the Top 3 with 1st Place Overall in the Winter Series in V1 Men Masters 40+, V1 Men Masters 50+, and V1 Women Masters 60+.
- V1 paddlers Jaye Kerzner went onto take Master 60 V1 Bronze Medal and Rob Magus placed Master 40 V1 6th in Mooloolaba IVF Distance. Canada is still awaiting a champion in the Peter Forand Masters Challenge:
- <https://canadianoutrigger.ca/community-2/peter-forand-masters-challenge-trophy/>

2018 / 2019 Small Boat Races:

- 2018 had 14 Small Boat Race Dates - 1 Cancellation due to participation
- 2019 had 17 Small Boat Race Dates - 2 Cancellations due to participation - 1 Cancellation due to weather
- 2020 presently has 18 Small Boat Race Dates
- 2019 (over 2018) saw increased total participation across all small boat races with increased average participation at CORA Cup Series small boat races and Non-PNWORCA Winter Series small boat races and PNWORCA Winter Series small boat races

2018 / 2019 OC6 / OC9 / V12 (Big Boat) Races:

- 2018 had 22 Big Boat Race Dates - 1 Cancellation due to participation
- 2019 had 26 Big Boat Race Dates - 3 Cancellations due to participation
- 2020 presently has 24 Big Boat Race Dates
- 2019 (over 2018) will see increased total participation across all Big Boat races
- 2019 (over 2018) saw decreased average participation across all Big Boat races (2018 = 35.0; 2019 = 33.1)
- 2019 (over 2018) saw decreased total participation across all CORA Cup OC6 races (2018 = 215; 2019 = 189)
- 2019 (over 2018) saw decreased average participation across all CORA Cup OC6 races (2018 = 43.0; 2019 = 37.8)

Observations:

- CORA individual membership has experienced substantial growth 2018 (1483) to 2019 (1780)
- CORA individual membership growth has not translated into CORA Big Boat sanctioned event increased total or average participation
- CORA small boat sanctioned event total and average participation increased substantially. In 2019 there was the cancellation of 1 PNWORCA Winter Series small boat race due to weather and the schedule provided for an increase from 3 to 4 CORA Cup small boat races. D'Arcy (Latitude 48) & Waterman (Kelowna) & COMMOC (Montreal) accounted for the huge increase in small boat race participation with new & innovative races.

	2018 Dates	2018 Total Entrants	2018 Average Entrants	2019 Dates	2019 Total Entrants	2019 Average Entrants
All OC6 / OC9 / V12 Dates	22	736	35.0	26	754	33.1
Cancelled OC6 / OC9 / V12 Dates	1			3		
CORA Cup OC6 / OC9 / V12 Dates	5	215	43.0	5	189	37.8
All Small Boat Dates	14	400	30.8	17	510	36.4
Cancelled Small Boat Dates	1			3		
All Non-PNWORCA Small Boat Dates	11	265	24.1	16	424	32.6
PNWORCA WS Small Boat Dates	2	135	67.5	1	86	86.0
CORA Cup Small Boat Dates	3	96	32.0	4	138	34.5
All Dates	36			43		
Cancelled Dates	2			6		

2018 / 2019 Total and Average Participation Comparison

2020 CORA RACE SCHEDULE

(Subject to ratification at the CORA AGM on November 10, 2019)

Date	Race Name	CORA Cup	Race Type	Contact Person
January 18	Lotus Ice Breaker V12 Race		OC-12 (double hull)	Grace Morrisette Lotus Sports Club
February 1	FGPC V12 Race		OC-12 (double hull)	Erik Ages Fairway Gorge Paddling Club
February 15	CORA/PNWORCA Winter Series Race #4 - Jericho		OC 1/2, Ski, SUP, Winter Series	Jan Chavarie Jericho Paddling Club
March 7	CORA/PNWORCA Winter Series Race #5 - False Creek		OC 1/2, Ski, SUP, Winter Series	Rob Magus False Creek Racing Canoe Club
March 8	FGPC Kan-U-Hakit		Sprint	Erik Ages Fairway Gorge Paddling Club
March 14	Nanaimo Crazy 8		OC6	Wolfgang Pressla Nanaimo Ocean Paddling Club
March 15	NPI Attack		OC 1/2, Ski, SUP	Wolfgang Pressla Nanaimo Ocean Paddling Club
March 21-22	FCRCC March Madness		OC6	Lorri Stewart False Creek Racing Canoe Club
April 4	VCKC Wake Up The Gorge		OC6	Anthony Hopkin Victoria Canoe Kayak Club
April 5	Wake Up the Gorge Small boat		OC 1/2, Ski, SUP	Anthony Hopkin/ Bon Lee Victoria Canoe Kayak Club
April 18	FLCC River Run	CORA CUP	OC6	Joanne Bolam Fort Langley Canoe Club
April 19	FLCC River Run Small Boat Race		OC 1/2, Ski, SUP	Joanne Bolam Fort Langley Canoe Club
April 25-26	VYPC National Sprints		Sprint	Marianne Pilon Victoria Youth Paddling Club
May 2	FGPC Brotchie Reach OC6 Race		OC6	Erik Ages Fairway Gorge Paddling Club
May 3	FGPC Brotchie Small Boat Race		OC 1/2, Ski, SUP	Erik Ages Fairway Gorge Paddling Club
May 9	Switchblade		OC 1/2, Ski, SUP, OC6	Bon Lee Victoria Canoe Kayak Club
May 9	Duel in the Desert	CORA CUP	OC6	Tina Hoeben Penticton Racing Canoe Club
May 10	Duel in the Desert		OC 1/2, Ski, SUP	Tina Hoeben Penticton Racing Canoe Club
May 16	D'Arcy Island Cash Dash		OC 1/2, Ski, SUP	Jackson Avio / Melanie Conard Latitude 48 Paddling Club
May 23	Jericho Iron Classic	CORA CUP	OC6	Jan Chavarie Jericho Paddling Club
June 6	Island Iron	CORA CUP	OC6	Vivian Thomas Ocean River Paddling Club
June 7	Island Iron		OC 1/2, Ski, SUP	Vivian Thomas Ocean River Paddling Club
June 21	Kelowna Paddle Centre Waterman Paddle Fest		OC6	Kelowna Paddle Centre
June 27	VOS Chasedown		OC6	Vancouver Ocean Sports
July 4	Lotus Iron		OC6	Grace Morrisette Lotus Sports Club
July 25	FCRCC Around Bowen OC6 & Small Boat Relay		OC 1/2, Ski, SUP, OC6, Relay	Rob Magus False Creek Racing Canoe Club
August 8	Echo Island Challenge		OC6	Scott Borle Fraser Valley Paddling Club
August 9	Echo Island Challenge		OC 1/2, Ski, SUP	Scott Borle Fraser Valley Paddling Club
August 29	Canadian National Championships	CORA CUP	OC6	Carl Tessmann Comox Valley Canoe Racing Club
August 30	Canadian National Championships		OC 1/2, Ski, SUP	Carl Tessmann Comox Valley Canoe Racing Club
September 6	Length of the Lake		OC 1/2, Ski, SUP, OC6, Relay	Tina Hoeben Penticton Racing Canoe Club
September 19	Lotus Poker Paddle Race		OC6	Grace Morrisette Lotus Sports Club
September 26	TIOC		OC 1/2, Ski, SUP, OC6	Christopher Hebert TSCC Maka Koa Outrigger
October 3	FLCC Fall Small Boat		OC 1/2, Ski, SUP	Joanne Bolam Fort Langley Canoe Club
October 17	Bridges		OC6	Vivian Thomas Ocean River Paddling Club
October 18	Bridges		OC 1/2, Ski, SUP	Vivian Thomas Ocean River Paddling Club
November 14-15	FGPC WetDashe OC6 Relay Race		Change, OC6, Relay	Erik Ages Fairway Gorge Paddling Club