



**CORA Annual Technical Meeting Minutes**  
**Sunday, November 21, 2021 at 1:00 pm PT**  
**Via Zoom Video Conference**

Attending: Ron Chin, Leanne Stanley, Rob Varnel, Mony Sy, Valerie Simmons, Rob Magus, Erik Ages, Cindy Wright, Marianne Pilon, Grace Morrisette, Irene Loh, Penny Steely, Don Mulhall, Graeme Calves, Launa Maundrell, Tony Vukasovic and Jonathan Wilkins

The Technical Meeting is a CORA Board meeting to discuss forward-looking issues surrounding racing, development of the sport of outrigger, promoting and facilitating both individual and club members.

The CORA membership is invited to observe and provide input into the operational aspects of CORA's mandate.

It is not a substitute for the AGM although line items will have overlap with AGM topics.

1. Welcome and Roll Call (Ronald Chin)
  - a. This meeting is being recorded
  - b. Agenda approved
2. COVID-19 (Ronald Chin)
  - a. Increase in vaccination has freed up paddling for crews, over the course of the summer we have had a number of small boat races and some big boat races.
  - b. Increasing vaccination requirements being imposed CORA has developed and issued a policy that they consider that all of their membership be fully vaccinated in order to participate in OC6 activities.
  - c. CORA board has approved the resolution that for 2022 all participants for CORA sanctioned races must be fully vaccinated.
3. 2022 CORA Event Schedule (Ronald Chin)
  - a. See attached race schedule
  - b. With travel now opened up, paddlers can now attend the races in the States. However, paddlers from the states still face restrictions.

- c. New initiative - in order to prepare for the World Sprints, CORA will spearhead the National Sprints in the lower mainland, which will be held sometime late April. The Sprints will be held at Burnaby Lake, which has been newly renovated.
  - d. IVF Sprint Trials - more information at CORA AGM
  - e. IVF Distance Trials - more information at CORA AGM
  - f. CORA Cup Series races are well spaced:
    - i. May 7-8 Duel in the Desert
    - ii. June 4 - 5 Island Iron
    - iii. July 2 Lotus Iron
    - iv. Potentially at the end of August - CORA Distance Nationals in Comox.
4. Discussion of ongoing and new initiatives
- a. Coaching Resources (Leanne Stanley)
    - i. Looking ahead a lot of people are on their own without being coached,
    - ii. CORA is wanting to help coaches grow
  - b. Online coaching initiatives via Zoom (Leanne Stanley)
    - i. Coach to coach on line, clubs can nominate a certain number of paddlers to receive coaching.
    - ii. Development of the curriculum with the goal of going out and being boots on the ground to develop coaches bring their skills up to help other coaches learn. Covering things to learn, leadership, technique, ethics and safety. All parts of Canada to be included to provide more support
  - c. Junior / Novice support (Marianne Pilon and Tony Vukasovic)
    - i. See report
  - d. CORA Off-the-Water Video Conference Series via Zoom (Leanne Stanley)
    - i. A lot of positive feedback for Information Sessions and Town Halls.
    - ii. Will continue with the Town Hall series, but may not have as many. Welcome all support
    - iii. Have a great lineup of topics: OC steering, technical, seat roles and race directors.
      - 1. Race Directors Guidebook is being worked on
  - e. Communications – Website / Facebook / Email (Erik Ages, Graeme Galves)
    - i. Report will be presented at AGM
    - ii. Spent last year enhancing outbound communications, particularly this past year due to COVID.

- iii. Policy announcements were kept to a minimum, always clear and meant to be useful
  - iv. Provided platforms for Town Hall meetings
  - v. Providing sparingly email outbound communications. Looking into using a member wide email system. Thanks to Paul Barton for enhancing our Zoom, webcam and Facebook capacity.
  - vi. Next year more information will be disbursed through Facebook
  - vii. General flow of enquiries into CORA inbox are being handled, through the website and is now self serviced.
    - 1. Grant applications
    - 2. Event applications
    - 3. CORA membership
  - viii. This has helped with Race directors getting the membership list for races in order to ensure that participants are CORA members.
- f. Insurance - Coverage for CORA-sanctioned events (Ronald Chin)
- i. We have changed our insurance broker to BFL Canada, this company is more familiar with paddle sports.
  - ii. Policy stays the same, although we are working on getting wording tweaked.
  - iii. Policy deals with 3rd party liability insurance, covers claims where the insured causes damages to a 3rd party and other bodily injury. For example you cause injury to someone else during a CORA sanctioned activity
  - iv. We have asked for clarification regarding the policy for some comments.
    - 1. One thing we need to make sure that if the member club is relying solely on 3rd party insurance they need to make sure that all of their individual members are annual CORA members.
    - 2. Coverage applies to claims arising during club sanctioned events (as long as the club is a member in good standing and all members are in good standing)
    - 3. CORA hosted and sanctioned events are covered
    - 4. Any clubs requiring express approval for an event must seek approval from the CORA board to be sanctioned.
    - 5. CORA board is developing a process whereby all CORA clubs must submit to CORA an outline of all activities that their club runs or is involved with. Such as if dryland training is included this

needs to be mentioned, which type of watercraft, recreational training, competitive training, etc. Included in this process will be:

- a. The intent is that there will be framework of activities for the club's to select in a drop down menu
  - b. Assets
  - c. Do you have another insurance provider
6. Recreational paddling is included in the insurance policy. For instance if you have a recreational program, this also allows for paddlers to train at other areas or clubs.
7. Coverage does not apply if the activity is not sanctioned by your member club. For example if a bunch of individual paddlers get together for a paddle this is not sanctioned as it is not part of the program.
- a. Of note if a group of paddlers are going out on a regular practice day and are doing a recreational activity they are covered as long as the club discloses that this is a regular practice period.
  - b. The theory is to bring activities that have in the past been quite broad to more specific.
8. For Unaffiliated members (who are not members of a club) there are no affiliated club activities for which you are covered. You would only be covered if you are participating in CORA sanctioned events. However, if you are on one of the IVF teams you would be covered as this is a CORA sanctioned event.
- a. The only way an Unaffiliated paddler can be covered by CORA insurance is for them to join a club and pay a club fee. Otherwise, they will not be covered for regular participation in club activities (they may be a 'guest' on occasion, but not regularly).
  - b. Note - if someone is living in a remote location they can still be a member of the club, they will simply be training in a remote location.
  - c. Of note we do have Unaffiliated paddlers.
    - i. A notice will be posted for Unaffiliated members - will not be covered by insurance except for participation in CORA sanctioned events.
9. Note if you are injured you are not covered by the BFL insurance since the coverage applies to injury to third parties.

10. CORA club may invite guests who are not CORA members, such as introduction to outrigger, those people are included under the policy without having to pay a CORA fee. This is not intended to be a substitute for club membership, this is considered a one-off situation. Clubs have to report the number of guests to CORA annually.
11. We have requested a plain language explanation for the insurance policy which we can then post to the CORA website.
12. Contagion - any injury to a third party caused by COVID is not covered.

g. Meeting adjourned at 1:58 pm



## CORA PRESIDENT'S AGM ADDRESS 2021

2021 started off with continued COVID restrictions on crew paddling. CORA implemented a couple of virtual initiatives – a virtual small boats series – one in Winter to replace the popular PNWORCA Winter Series and a follow-up in the Spring, as well as an overwhelmingly popular off-the-water video conference series.

As vaccinations increased, restrictions on crew paddling loosened, with a resumption of OC6 paddling, at least in British Columbia, in or about late June as the Spring virtual small boats series ended.

In person racing picked up over the summer, in small boats and in OC6s, with the first long distance race in over a year and a half hosted by Comox at the end of August. The Fall has allowed the race schedule to settle back into its familiar form with the Poker Paddle, Bridges and Wetdasche.

I'd like to thank each of the CORA directors, officers and volunteers who have donated their time to make the organization run smoothly. Our finances are in check thanks to Jonathan Wilkins and we have budgeted to spend more next year. Leanne Stanley and the IVF Committee for their responding to the changing COVID landscape to prepare our athletes for IVF World Sprints in London. We have an ongoing debt of gratitude to Erik Ages and his team at Fairway Gorge for their work in managing the CORA website, the virtual small boats series, video conferencing and other technical issues. Bob Woodman, who joined us as a Director last year has decided to step down, and we thank him for his contributions to the Board, including work on the historical committee.

Regards,

Ronald Chin  
President

November 20, 2021



## CORA COVID RESPONSE REPORT (AGM) 2021

With the increase in vaccinations and the loosening of COVID-19 restrictions on sporting activities we've seen limits on outdoor gatherings lifted, freeing up our Members' abilities to train in OC6s and our Member Clubs' ability to host both small boats and OC6 races.

However, despite widespread vaccination, the prospect of infection remained with highly transmissible COVID-19 variants.

As proof of vaccination became an increasingly common requirement to participate in non-essential activities, the CORA Board developed and issued the following policy statement on September 17, 2021 urging CORA Member Clubs to consider implementing a full vaccination requirement for their members participating in outrigger group or crew activities.

- 1. CORA supports the recommendations of the Public Health Agency of Canada regarding the health benefits of vaccination in preventing severe illness, hospitalization and death from COVID-19 and its variants.*
- 2. CORA supports the full vaccination of those recommended to get the vaccine by federal, provincial and territorial public health authorities.*
- 3. As paddlers gather and train together in physically close environments, Member Clubs have a duty to protect their members and enhance the safety of their training environment. As a result, CORA supports full vaccination of those participating in outrigger group or crew activities for the safety of their members and to mitigate the risk of future infection events at Member Clubs and in our communities at large.*
- 4. In order to achieve the above, the CORA board strongly encourages Member Clubs to consider amending their COVID-19 policies to require full vaccination of those participating in outrigger group or crew activities, accounting for demographics, location and relevant specific vulnerabilities with respect to COVID-19. CORA also recommends the continued implementation of longstanding risk mitigation measures such as physical distancing and the use of masks where physical distancing cannot be maintained.*
- 5. Member Clubs continue to be bound by the Orders of applicable provincial and territorial public health authorities in respect of all gatherings, events and activities.*

Last night [on November 20, 2021], at its Pre-AGM Board Meeting, the CORA Board passed a resolution requiring that all participants in 2022 CORA-sanctioned events be fully vaccinated against COVID-19.



## **AGM 2021 Treasurer's Report**

I am pleased to present the financial statements for the year to December 31, 2020 and the 10 months to October 31, 2021.

2021 has, of course, been another challenging year for us all - as individuals, as paddlers, as clubs and as a volunteer association. Although the CORA Board worked hard to create a meaningful budget to present to the 2020 AGM, none of us could foresee the continuing impact of Covid.

Our projections for the income were a little high – about \$5k high, but it is the expenditure that we seriously overestimated. This was predominately because we were unable to make the usual grants to items such as the National Sprint Championships, the CORA Cup, canoe trailering and some of the clinics. Also, we did not put any funds into the National Team Development program.

Together, this means that although the Board had budgeted to make an operating loss of around \$16k, I forecast that CORA will make a small surplus this year. The forecast figures for the full year can be seen on page five of the pack – the 2021 year to date and the 2020 full year figures are on page four.

The intention to make a loss might seem surprising, but the Board has been very aware of an increasing bank balance. Although it continues to plan forward, the Board does not believe that we should hold an excessive amount of money, which of course was contributed by the membership.

Balance sheets are shown for both the General Account and the IVF Account.



The IVF Account is the funds contributed by the National Team participants and a grant from the General Account. These funds are then reserved for the specific event, with each campaign expected to, more-or-less, break even. The budget presented on page 5 is a draft, on which the Board invites comments. The Board will finalise its 2022 budget at the Board meeting to be held at the beginning of January.

I would like to highlight a couple of the items in that draft budget which contribute to the very significant projected shortfall in 2022. - The reintroduction of the grants to the National Team Development program, Coaching Education, Coach the Coaches are all there to improve the skills and performance of paddlers – particularly as the sport of Outrigger Racing grows in popularity across the country.

- The cost of insurance has been increasing rapidly over the last few years. -
- An in-person strategic planning session is allowed for. It has been several years since the Board was been able to step away from the day-to-day and look forward to where the sport appears to be going and also to where it might be possible for it to go. Again, this is particularly relevant when we look at the growth of sport across the country from an historical position that was principally British Columbia focussed.

A couple of other points to note: -

CORA does not currently hold any GIC investments as the rates are so incredibly low.

The reconciled bank statements are provided to the board each month.

Respectfully submitted, November 16, 2021

Jonathan Wilkins

Director

CORA Treasurer



**Financial Statements of**

**CANADIAN OUTRIGGER RACING ASSOCIATION**

**For the 10 months to  
October 31, 2021**

**And for the year to  
December 31, 2020**

(Unaudited)

**CANADIAN OUTRIGGER RACING ASSOCIATION**

**General Account**  
**Balance Sheet (unaudited) as at**  
**October 31, 2021**

	General	12/31/20
	\$	\$
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash at RBC	[1] 106,508	52,956
Cash at Square	-	-
Prepaid accounts	-	-
Government Funds (2019 net ITC due)	45	45
Term Investments	-	40,000
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>106,553</u>	<u>93,000</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Accounts Payable	-	-
Government Funds (net GST payable) 2021	3,025	2,011
Flow thru prepaid memberships	-	494
Accrued Liabilities (Retained earnings)	103,527	90,495
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<u>106,553</u>	<u>93,000</u>

Jonathan Wilkins  
 Director

[1] Includes Protected Funds: <b>RME Grants</b>	13,285	1,271
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**CANADIAN OUTRIGGER RACING ASSOCIATION**

**IVF Account**

**Balance Sheet (unaudited) as at  
October 31, 2021**

	Reserved funds London 2022 \$	Reserved funds Samoa 2023 \$	<b>Total</b> \$	12/31/20 \$
<b>ASSETS</b>				
Cash at RBC	13,094	[1] 3,976	17,070	7,263
Cash at Square	-	-	-	-
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<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>13,094</u>	<u>3,976</u>	<u>17,070</u>	<u>7,263</u>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
Accounts Payable	-	-	-	-
Government Funds (net GST payable)	-	-	-	-
Accrued Liabilities	13,094	3,976	17,070	7,263
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<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<u>13,094</u>	<u>3,976</u>	<u>17,070</u>	<u>7,263</u>

Jonathan Wilkins  
Director

[1] Following the cancellation of the Samoa 2021 event, the remaining balance in the Samoa 2021 Sprint Account will be transferred to, and reserved in, the Samoa 2023 Sprint Account.

**CANADIAN OUTRIGGER RACING ASSOCIATION**

**General Account**

**Statement of Operations (Unaudited)**

For the period to October 31, 2021

	<b>Total y-t-d</b>	<b>Budget 2021</b>	<b>Variance</b>	<b>Actual 2020</b>
<b>REVENUES (Net of GST)</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$
Membership - Annual Adult	27,954	30,000	(2,046)	33,549
Membership - Annual Junior	271	550	(279)	630
Membership - One Day Adult	2,051	3,000	(949)	1,024
Membership - One Day Junior	-	200	(200)	26
Club Fees	4,699	5,300	(601)	5,252
Other - GIC interest	591	700	(109)	1,255
Virtual Race Fees (Net GST & Sq) flo-thru	19	-	19	-
Input Tax Credit (GST Refund)	157	150	7	72
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>35,741</b>	<b>39,900</b>	<b>(4,159)</b>	<b>41,808</b>
<b>EXPENSES (Net of GST)</b>	\$	\$	\$	\$
Grant - National Team development	-	-	-	-
Grant - Clinic	-	1,200	(1,200)	-
Grant - Repair, Maintenance, Equipment inc balance of 2020 protected fund b/fwd	2,986	16,271	(13,285)	13,729
Grant - Coaching Education	216	1,000	(784)	690
Grant - Regional Coach the Coaches	-	-	-	-
Grant - Canoe Trailering	1,975	6,000	(4,025)	-
Grant - National Distance - Hosting	-	1,500	(1,500)	-
Grant - National Distance - Medals	883	600	283	1,671
Grant - National Distance - Food & Entertainment	-	-	-	-
Grant - National Sprint - Hosting	-	1,000	(1,000)	-
Grant - National Sprint - Boat Rental	-	1,000	(1,000)	-
CORA Cup West - hosting & prize. 4 x \$800	}	}	}	}
CORA Cup East - hosting & prize. 2 x \$800	-	-	-	-
CORA Cup - Medals	}	}	}	}
Prizes for Novice/Junior. Eg Paddle/PFD	-	-	-	-
2021 Virtual Series (budget from CORA Cup)	2,800	4,800	(2,000)	-
Town Halls - Guest Expenses	41	2,400	(2,359)	-
Town Halls - Zoom licences	1,108	1,500	(392)	n/a
Hall of Fame plaques & postage	883	-	883	-
College Student Stipends	-	-	-	-
IVF Membership & Expenses	389	400	(11)	400
Strategic Planning - Visioning - Consultation	-	-	-	-
Bank Charges - RBC	85	100	(15)	78
Bank Charges - Square	1,999	2,500	(501)	1,647
Insurance	10,180	8,000	2,180	7,130
AGM Expenses	-	4,000	(4,000)	-
Accounting and Legal	-	750	(750)	387
Office and Admin	679	200	479	205
Telephone	-	100	(100)	97
Website Operation	576	200	376	429
Website Enhancement	-	1,000	(1,000)	-
Social Media Advertising	-	500	(500)	-
Translation Services	-	1,000	(1,000)	-
Webscorer Licence- Winter Series	-	-	-	n/a
<b>Excess/(Deficiency) Revenue over Expenses</b>	<b>24,800</b>	<b>56,021</b>	<b>(31,221)</b>	<b>26,462</b>
Brought forward protected funds	(1,271)	(1,271)	(1,271)	-
<b>Excess(Deficiency) in year</b>	<b>12,212</b>	<b>(14,850)</b>	<b>28,333</b>	<b>15,346</b>

Original budgeted shortfall increased by

\$1,500 for Zoom licences for Town Halls

**CANADIAN OUTRIGGER RACING ASSOCIATION**

Budget 2022, as authorised by pre-AGM to go to January 2022 for ratification

Actual 2020 Rounded	Forecast 2021 Rounded	Budget	Draft Budget 2022 \$	presented to AGM
33,500	27,200	30,000	40,000	Rob V (Jonathan thought \$50,000)
600	300	550	1,200	
1,000	1,400	3,000	4,500	
30	-	200	300	
5,300	4,700	5,300	6,500	
1,260	600	700	-	
		-		
100	100	150	200	
42,000	34,300	39,900	52,700	
\$	\$	\$	\$	
-	0	-	5,000	
-	-	1,200	4,000	Leanne - increased awareness esp in Eastern clubs
13,700	8,000	16,271	23,271	Jonathan - includes estimated \$8,271 accumulated underspend
700	200	1,000	3,000	
-		-	5,000	
-	1,000	6,000	10,000	
-	-	1,500	2,000	
1,700	900	600	1,000	
			1,500	
-	-	1,000	3,000	
-	-	1,000	1,500	
			3,200	
-		-	1,600	
			2,000	
			1,500	New - Graeme - subsidized cost of blades for Novice/Junior winter racers
	2,800	-		
	100	2,400	1,000	
	1,300	1,500	1,500	
	900	-	250	New - Graeme - plaques for Hall of Fame inductees
			3,000	New - Graeme - College student scholarships
400	400	400	1,400	Leanne - suggests her probable physical attendance
			10,000	New - Erik - CORA Vision & 5 year Strategic Plan. Meeting, accommodation, facilitator
100	100	100	100	
1,700	2,000	2,500	2,500	
7,100	10,200	8,000	12,000	
-	3,000	4,000	5,000	Rob V
400	700	750	700	
200	800	200	400	
100	-	100	-	
400	700	200	1,000	
-	-	1,000	1,200	Erik - enhanced website services & migration to dedicated server
-	-	500	1,200	Erik - enhancing the social media presence
-	-	1,000	1,000	
			300	Graeme - to provide templates for races
26,000	33,100	51,221	110,121	
	(8,271)	(8,271)	(8,271)	
16,000	9,471	(3,050)	(49,150)	

APPROVED BUDGET TO GO TO JANUARY 2022 BOARD

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** CORA Board

**From:** Ronald Chin

**Re:** Grants Summary for 2021

**Date:** November 20, 2021

The following is a summary of the 2021 CORA Grants:

<b><u>2021 CLINIC GRANTS</u></b>				
	<b><u>Club</u></b>	<b><u>Topic</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>	<b><u>Status</u></b>
1.				
<b>TOTAL CLINIC GRANTS PAID</b>			<b>0.00</b>	
<b><u>2021 COACHING EDUCATION GRANTS</u></b>				
	<b><u>Club</u></b>	<b><u>Coach / Course</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>	<b><u>Status</u></b>
1.	VYPC-	Coaching Association of Canada, Make Ethical Decisions (MED)	\$85.00	E-transfer issued March 5, 2021
2.	Latitude 48	NCCP, Psychology of Performance	\$131.25	E-transfer issued June 18, 2021
<b>TOTAL EDUCATION GRANTS PAID</b>			<b>\$216.25</b>	
<b><u>2021 TOWN HALL GUEST GRANTS</u></b>				
	<b><u>Guest</u></b>		<b><u>Amount</u></b>	<b><u>Status</u></b>
1.	??		\$41.00	
<b>CLINIC, COACHING EDUCATION &amp; TOWN HALL GUEST COMBINED TOTAL</b>			<b>\$257.25</b>	

2021 Clinic Grant Budget Allocation: \$1,200.00

2021 Coaching Education Grant Budget allocation: \$1,000.00

<b><u>2021 NATIONALS HOSTING GRANTS</u></b>				
	<b><u>Club</u></b>	<b><u>Race</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>	<b><u>Status</u></b>
1.				
<b>TOTAL PAID</b>			<b>2021</b>	
<b><u>2021 CORA CUP AWARDS GRANTS</u></b>				
	<b><u>Club</u></b>	<b><u>Race</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>	<b><u>Status</u></b>
1.				
<b>TOTAL PAID</b>			<b>0.00</b>	
<b><u>2021 WINTER &amp; SPRING VIRTUAL RACE SERIES GRANTS</u></b>				
	<b><u>Race</u></b>		<b><u>Amount</u></b>	<b><u>Status</u></b>
1.	Virtual Winter Series prizes and delivery		\$1,460.00	
<b>TOTAL PAID</b>			<b>\$1,460.00</b>	
<b>NATIONALS HOSTING, CORA CUP AWARDS &amp; WINTER &amp; SPRING VIRTUAL RACE SERIES COMBINED TOTAL</b>			<b>\$1,460.00</b>	

2021 Nationals (Distance) Hosting Budget Allocation: \$1,500.00

2021 Nationals (Sprint) Hosting Budget Allocation: \$1,000.00

2021 Nationals (Sprint) Boat Rental Budget Allocation: \$1,000.00

2021 CORA Cup Awards, Winter & Spring Virtual Race Series Budget Allocation: \$4,800.00

<b><u>2021 TRAVEL GRANTS</u></b>				
	<b><u>Club</u></b>	<b><u>Race</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>	<b><u>Status</u></b>
1.	Pacific Reach	Island Iron	\$650.00	Approved August 31, 2021. Paid by e-transfer September 9, 2021
2.	Latitude 48	Island Iron	\$349.00	Approved September 1, 2021. Paid by e-transfer September 9, 2021
3.	FGPC	Island Iron	\$247.00	Approved September 1, 2021. Paid by e-transfer September 9, 2021
4.	Powell River	Island Iron	\$516.95	Approved September 5, 2021. Paid by e-transfer September 9, 2021
5.	Latitude 48	L48 Bridges	\$212.50	Approved October 18, 2021. Paid by e-transfer October 19, 2021
<b>TOTAL PAID</b>			<b>\$1975.45</b>	

2021 Travel Grant Budget Allocation: \$6,000.00



<b>2021 RME GRANTS</b>				
	<b><u>Club</u></b>	<b><u>Subject Matter</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>	<b><u>Status</u></b>
<b>2021 Eligible Clubs RME Applications</b>				
1.	Maple Bay OCC	Security cameras plus safety equipment	\$986.37	Approved June 2, 2021. Paid by e-transfer October 31, 2021.
2.	FGPC	Security cameras and solar power system	0.00	Approved July 7, 2021, but then rescinded at August 4, 2021 Board Meeting because FGPC received a grant in 2020.
3.	Haunani OC	Dolly, steers blade and club paddles	\$1000.00	Approved at August 4, 2021 Board Meeting. Paid by e-transfer September 5, 2021.
4.	CVCRC	Trailer tires and repairs, UL repairs and lock	\$1000.00	Approved September 29, 2021 by e-mail. Paid by e-transfer October 10, 2021.
5.	Vernon	Small boats hull and ama repairs.	\$1000.00	Approved October 27, 2021 by e-mail.
6.	Leduc	OC1 and OC2 repairs and parts	\$1000.00	Approved October 27, 2021 by e-mail. Paid by e-transfer November 14, 2021.
<b>ELIGIBLE 2021 GRANTS APPROVED OR PAID</b>			<b>\$4986.37</b>	
<b>2021 Open Call RME Applications</b>				
7.	Jericho	Boat repairs and for repairs to club storage racks and lockers	\$1000.00	Approved November 20, 2021 at Pre-AGM Board Meeting
8.	FCRCC	4 x OC6 boat covers	\$1000.00	Approved November 20, 2021 at Pre-AGM Board Meeting
9.	Kelowna	OC repairs and boat storage racks	\$1000.00	Approved November 20, 2021 at Pre-AGM Board Meeting
10.	Prince Rupert	Rebuilt the hull of their OC4	\$1000.00	Approved November 20, 2021 at Pre-AGM Board Meeting
11.	TSCC Maka Koa	OC6 hull and iako repairs	\$1000.00	Approved November 20, 2021 at Pre-AGM Board Meeting
<b>OPEN CALL GRANTS PROPOSED</b>			<b>\$5,000.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL PROPOSED, APPROVED OR PAID</b>			<b>\$9986.37</b>	

2021 RME Grant Budget Allocation: \$15,000.00

\$5013.63 carried forward into RME Protected Fund for future years

<b>2021 TOTAL GRANTS SUMMARY</b>			
	<b><u>Budgeted</u></b>	<b><u>Paid or Approved</u></b>	<b><u>Balance</u></b>
Clinic Grants	\$1,200.00	0.00	\$1,200.00
Coaching Education Grants	\$1,000.00	\$216.25	\$ 783.75
Town Hall Guests	\$2,400.00	\$41.00	\$2,359.00
Nationals Hosting Grants	\$3,500.00	0.00	\$3,500.00
CORA Cup Awards, Winter & Spring Virtual Series Grants	\$4,800.00	\$1,460.00	\$3,340.00
Travel Grants	\$6,000.00	\$1975.45	\$4024.55
RME Grants	\$15,000.00	\$9986.37	\$5,013.63
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$33,900.00</b>	<b>\$13,679.07</b>	<b>\$20,220.93</b>



# CORA Membership Report 2021

CORA Club	2019	2020	2021
Calgary Canoe Club	36	19	40
Club Bon Accueil	6	4	11
Club de Outrigger Montreal	27	6	3
Comox Valley Canoe Racing Club	49	45	49
Delta Outrigger Kanu Association	19	17	19
Dragon Zone Paddle Club	102	130	1
Fairway Gorge Paddling Club	105	94	42
False Creek Racing Canoe Club	234	158	103
Fort Langley Canoe Club	104	96	48
Fraser Valley Paddling Club	52	26	17
Gibsons Paddle Club	16	4	13
Haunani Outrigger Club	n/a	14	26
Jericho Paddling Club	39	35	46
Kelowna Paddle Centre	58	20	17
Latitude 48 Paddling Club	65	66	86
Leduc Boat Club	49	23	12
Lotus Sports Club	58	53	45
Maple Bay Ocean Canoe Club	32	17	22
Nanaimo Ocean Paddling Club	116	121	126
Nanaimo Paddle Centre	12	5	4
Ocean River Paddling Club	27	17	9
Ottawa River Runners (New)	n/a	n/a	7
Pacific Reach Paddling Club	34	32	29
Pearson College	n/a	23	2
Pemberton Canoe Association	2	1	2
Penticton Racing Canoe Club	66	19	28
Powell River OC Society	29	25	21
Prince Rupert Outrigger Association	23	13	14
Sproat Lake Canoe Club	39	35	38
Sunnyside Paddling Club (New)	n/a	n/a	2
TSCC Maka Koa Outrigger	46	9	25
Vancouver Island Paddling	20	9	4
Vancouver Ocean Sports	24	8	4
Vernon Paddling Centre	19	8	9
Victoria Canoe and Kayak Club	34	13	7
Victoria Youth Paddling Club	10	7	11
Wailua Outrigger Canoe Club	35	17	29
Other Clubs	62	33	26
Unaffiliated	73	44	53

Division	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Junior	57	74	114	72	35
Open	310	201	318	211	108
Masters 40+	261	248	292	159	151
Masters 50+	398	409	439	299	241
Masters 60+	212	256	482	386	355
Masters 70+	95	125	135	152	160

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
2020	1279
2021	1050

Gender	
Female	627
Male	423

Online Registrations	
2016	1010 (69%)
2017	1092 (73%)
2018	1078 (72%)
2019	1647 (92%)
2020	1255 (98%)
2021	1047 (99.7%)

2021 Single Event Memberships	
Adult	143
Junior	1

# CORA Membership Report 2021

2021 Online Registrations			
	2019	2020	2021
December 2020		176	29
January	907	670	236
February	108	243	38
March	184	90	46
April	208	6	72
May	141	12	50
June	63	28	181
July	51	29	167
August	42	22	120
September	58	3	85
October	23	0	26

Online registration for 2021 was opened in December 2020. The Coronavirus COVID-19 pandemic resulted in many changes in the 2021 race schedule, with numerous events being cancelled and introduction of virtual races.



## **CORA OUTBOUND COMMUNICATIONS REPORT (AGM) 2021**

### **OVERVIEW**

CORA'S board and supporting volunteers worked carefully to communicate COVID updates in a manner that reflected changes across communities and sport organizations at regional, provincial and national levels. This was achieved, in part, by restricting the frequency of communications updates to prevent "noise" for our members.

When we did send out COVID-specific communications, we communicated clearly to members clubs and paddlers in a manner that sought to simplify rather than complicate decision-making on the part of clubs and member paddlers. We intend to continue with this approach as we head into the 3rd year of Canada's response to COVID, including anticipated announcements regarding vaccination status at CORA-sanctioned events.

### **SOCIAL MEDIA & INTERACTIVE BROADCASTING**

CORA actively engaged with both members and non-members, both within and beyond Canada, through a variety of interactive townhall and clinic sessions over the year. Based on feedback from participants and audience members, these sessions met a number of objectives, including keeping our members connected and communicating with each other through discussions relevant to our sport, and by selecting topics that were relevant to various stages of our sport in the context of COVID-specific restrictions to training and competition.

The CORA board intends to continue with these interactive video-based townhalls and clinics going forward.

### **COMMUNITY OUTREACH**

In the event that the CORA board puts a 30th-year strategic planning process in place, CORA's outbound communications initiatives will include a variety of targeted and general community outreach mechanisms to solicit comment, feedback and insight from our members and members of the larger sport community.

### **COMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE**

CORA's overall communications infrastructure has adapted and grown, and has evolved in accelerated fashion in its response to COVID restrictions to our sport. In light of this, the CORA board will continue to invest in improvements to speed, responsiveness and security of our platforms (web, direct email, social media) over the coming year.



## CORA INBOUND ENQUIRIES REPORT (AGM) 2021

### OVERVIEW

There was a time when the CORA Email Inbox necessitated constant monitoring due to the volume of enquiries for CORA Board activity that flowed through this channel.

The adoption of Google Workspace (formerly G Suite) with Gmail, Calendar, Meet, Chat, Drive, Docs, Sheets, Slides, and Forms has simplified internal / external communications. The migration to a new CORA website with many self-service capabilities has also reduced the workload on the CORA Board.

- RME / Trailing / Coaching / Clinic Grant Applications that had previously been submitted to the CORA Email Inbox and then forwarded to the Grants Officer are now sent directly to the Grants Officer via online forms.
- Event Sanctioning Applications that had previously been submitted to the CORA Email Inbox in the weeks prior to the AGM and then forwarded to the Race Committee are now managed directly by CORA Club Reps through the CORA Website Race Calendar.
- Enquiries for CORA Membership Lists by Race Directors prior to Sanctioned Events are now readily available from the Membership Officer.

There are presently two Board Members who receive notifications when messages flow into the CORA general enquiries email address. The COVID pandemic of 2020/2021 substantially reduced the historical volume of inbound messages where the majority of enquiries would involve:

- Enquiries for event CORA insurance coverage certification
- Enquiries to post Race Results
- Enquiries for CORA Cup status
- Enquiries to postpone / cancel sanctioned events
- Paddlers / Teams looking for Teams / Paddlers / Canoes


### CORA EMAIL MESSAGE DISTRIBUTION

All of the "unsolicited" inbound messages that arrived at the CORA general enquiries email address, as well as enquiries that were put forward by individual Board members which they had received from within the membership were categorized to provide an overview of the various enquiries from the CORA Board. In a "normal" (non-COVID) season, the number of non-COVID enquiries would be double / triple / quadruple the number of current season number enquiries. The table below is sorted by number of messages by Enquiry Category Count (numerical descending) and then Enquiry Category (alphabetical ascending).

<b>Topic (Enquiry Category)</b>	<b>Count</b>
IVF 2022 London Sprints register / drop / time trials / questions	16
Winter / Spring Virtual Races Rules / Registration / Results?	16
Individual Memberships? CORA Numbers? Status / Confirmation?	11
COVID Insurance Coverage?	7
How to register for in-person CORA events	7
Looking to provide / find outrigger community resources	7
CORA Forum How-To?	6
How to change my club affiliation (amalgamation; relocation)	4
Phishing (SPAM)	4
COVID vaccination policies	3
Info on CORA Grants	3
Looking for a small-boat	3
Looking for an outrigger club	2
Looking for information on CORA Age Divisions	2
CORA club / individual member refunds due to COVID?	1
First Nations paddlers participation in CORA events	1
Jobs in outrigger canoeing offerings	1
Marketing (phishing) resources offered	1
Outrigger Canoe rigging help	1
Town Halls interest	1
Virtual Races Prizing?	1

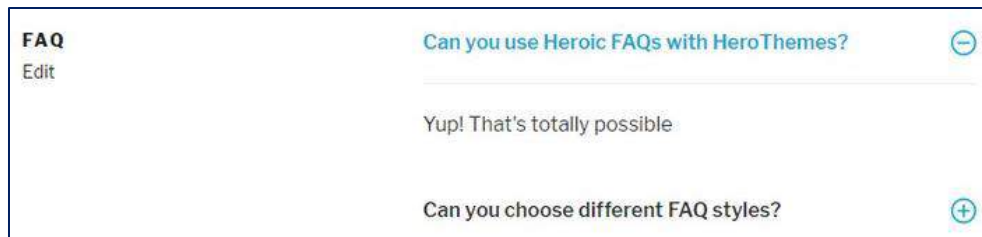
## RECOMMENDATIONS (IDEAS TO CARRY FORWARD INTO 2022)

Many of these types of enquiries have been flowing into the CORA Email Inbox for many years. Some of these enquiries do necessitate action by Board Members such as posting Race Results and issuing Insurance Certificates and so on. However, some of these enquiries could be handled by the membership themselves with a certain level of knowledge transfer. Some of these enquiries for information do not necessitate action by Board Members or Club Reps, and could be addressed by **providing a website page of FAQs to commonly asked questions**. The WordPress site may provide some intrinsic FAQ capability (plugins) or there are many websites that offer examples of how this functionality could be provided as per the screenshot below.



The screenshot shows a FAQ section with a title "FAQ" in a serif font. Below the title are four questions, each in a dark blue bar with a white plus sign on the right. The third question, "Do you communicate with my employer about my work-related injuries?", is highlighted in a green bar with a white minus sign on the right. Below the questions is a paragraph of text: "The most important thing you can do is be mindful of how you are moving and lifting. If a particular movement is causing pain, you should adjust your movement before an injury occurs. Most employers are aware of potential overuse injuries associated with their specific workplaces and have developed ergonomics training programs for injury prevention." Below the text is another question in a dark blue bar with a white plus sign on the right: "Do most work-related injuries happen because of a single incident, or can they develop over time due to normal work-related tasks?"

*Sample FAQ Format*



The screenshot shows the Hero FAQ Plugin interface. It has a title "FAQ" and an "Edit" link. The first question is "Can you use Heroic FAQs with HeroThemes?" with a minus sign on the right. The answer is "Yup! That's totally possible". The second question is "Can you choose different FAQ styles?" with a plus sign on the right.

*Hero FAQ Plugin*



The screenshot shows the HTML5 Responsive FAQ Plugin interface. It has a title "FAQ" and a minus sign on the left. The question is "Can You Use HTML5 Responsive FAQ With Hero Themes?". The answer is "Yes! You can totally do that."

*HTML5 Responsive FAQ Plugin*



## FAQ



### **Can You Use Ultimate FAQ With Hero Themes?**

Posted by **Colin** on **June 7, 2017**

Yup! You betcha

*Ultimate FAQ Plugin*

## 2021 CORA Off-the-Water Forum Report

In 2021, CORA began hosting online video forums to help bring together paddlers during the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions. Throughout the year, there were 14 sessions. Recordings of all the sessions are posted on the CORA website.

- Lest We Forget - CORA Hall of Fame
- OC6 Seat Roles
- 2022 IVF World Sprints Info & Q&A Session
- All Things OC1, Great & Small
- Solo Boat Stroke Technique
- Plan Your OC Race - an Adventure Bucket List
- Body Maintenance & Recovery
- OC1 Maintenance and Repair
- OC1 Downwind Surfing
- The Tale of 27 Boats
- Making the Most of Available Resources, Pandemic or Not
- Solo Boats for Novices
- Off-Season and COVID Season Training
- Enduring the Pandemic



Though session attendance ranged from a low of 25 to a high of 130, all viewers and participants learned from the presenters and from one another. With presenters such as Jim Foit, Cheryl Skribe, Zoe Norcross-Nu'u, Bob Stewart, Paulo Amelio, Leanne Stanley, James Hill, Kamini Jain, Rob Magus, and many others donating their time to share their expertise, the viewers have been treated to a wealth of knowledge from all around the country and world.

The feedback has been unanimous that this is an initiative that should continue each off season (pandemic or not).

The committee of Ron Chin, Erik Ages, Leanne Stanley and Valerie Simmons has a number of topics leading into 2022 but are always open to new ideas and possible presenters.

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CORA has moved completely to Google Workspace. This has allowed for agendas, minutes, reports and documents to be shared between all members of the Board and easily reviewed by all directors of the Board. This has proved quite invaluable as document or report can be shared during the meetings, thereby enabling the directors to readily have the documentation, or reports, being discussed.

The monthly Board meetings are now held through google meet which has allowed for an easier dialogue. As a bonus, documents can be reviewed by all during the meeting as well as interactively edited by directors.

The CORA Board meets the first Wednesday of each month, unless mutual agreement moves to a different date.

## **2021 AGM Junior-Novice Report**

The past two years have been difficult for getting Juniors on the water. But it hasn't seemed to dampen the Junior's ability to have fun on the water and enjoy this amazing sport of paddling.

CORA will be sending out a survey to all Junior clubs in an effort to engage and begin a dialogue to see how CORA can assist Junior clubs in growth, on water skills, clinics, coaching and connecting with other Junior clubs.

Of note is that CORA has made strides to encourage new, both young and old paddlers, to racing. Most host clubs for a race, include in their race packages:

- 1) A start time for the short course race, designed for Junior and Novice paddlers, that will accommodate a ferry schedule;
- 2) Provide canoes for the short course race, particularly when the ferry prevents teams from arriving with enough time to unload canoes and then rig; and
- 3) Fee reduction for Junior teams.

We are fortunate to have several clubs in BC that have Juniors or are dedicated Junior clubs.



# Canadian Outrigger Racing Association

IVF Committee



## 2021 CORA AGM IVF Director Report

### **SPINTS – London 2022:**

The 2022 IVF Va'a World Sprint Championships have been scheduled for August 7 to 16th at Dorney Lake, Windsor, England.

The Team Canada selection documents were published in the spring of 2021 with the plans of a trials in September in Calgary. Over the course of the summer, it became apparent that the COVID situation was going into a fourth wave and it was announced at the end of August that the September trials would be canceled. Registrations were extended and once closed, there were a number of crews and individuals that were able to be named to the team based on Canada's quotas and the number of registrations.

Currently, trials for categories still to be contested are scheduled for May 14/15, 2022 in Calgary. All free agents, Women's 50s crews, V1 competitors in categories not yet decided and any paddler trying out for the Elite V6/12 will need to attend.

The IVF and London organizing committees have asked countries to submit their intended entries starting in January 2022 and they will make the call by early March 2022 if the event is to be canceled based on the pandemic projections and/or number of entries.

### **DISTANCE – Samoa 2023:**

With the ongoing pandemic, the 2021 World Va'a Distance Championships were postponed to 2023. It is unknown at this time if the event will go ahead as planned. There are no dates associated with the event yet.

Paddlers interested in contesting for Team Canada 2023 should watch the CORA website for team selection information early 2022. Currently the weekend of October 15/16, 2022 is scheduled for Samoa Time Trials to take place at Jericho in Vancouver.

### **IVF NEWS:**

Victoria paddler, Miles Krakowec Tickner, was nominated to sit on the IVF Sport Development Committee. Calgary's Lynda Roberts is on the IVF Events and Technical Committee. CORA is grateful to have these two individuals representing CORA, the interests of Canadian paddlers at the IVF level, and to help our the sport worldwide.

Presented by: Leanne Stanley – CORA IVF Director



## **CORA INSURANCE AND SAFETY REPORT (AGM) 2021**

There have been no incidents or insurance claims to report.

For 2021, CORA switched its insurance broker from SBC Insurance Agencies to BFL Canada Insurance Services.

The underwriter remains Markel Canada.

CORA maintains a Commercial General Liability Policy providing coverage for CORA Member Clubs ("CORA Clubs") and individual members against claims by third parties for bodily injury or damage third party property when participating in "sanctioned events". Coverage is for up to \$5M per occurrence. The interpretation of "sanctioned events" has always been somewhat vague. In the past year we have sought clarification on the scope of coverage, particularly for the day-to-day practices and training activities of CORA Clubs who rely solely on CORA insurance ("full member clubs"). We have received some clarification from BFL Canada and CORA will be implementing a process (written procedure manual) to "sanction" the operations and activities of CORA Clubs.

Provided that they are "sanctioned", activities may include:

- CORA-sanctioned races
- CORA-hosted practices, training, time trials and races
- CORA Club practices, training, time trials and races
- CORA Club recreational paddling activities
- CORA Club activities at locations other than the club, so you may paddle out from the club or launch from a remote location
- CORA Members training on their own time, but only if the training is sanctioned by their CORA Club. Coverage does not apply if the training is not sanctioned by a CORA Club or by CORA itself (ie. self-directed or independent training by unaffiliated CORA Members is not covered).
- Use of CORA Members' own equipment
- CORA Clubs may invite "guests" to activities (ie drop-in events) without charging a CORA "day fee" but these numbers should be reported to CORA for inclusion in the "day fee" numbers reported to BFL Canada (CORA is charged a premium for each day fee).

We have requested a "plain language" explanation of the liability coverages and are awaiting this document from BFL Canada.

In early 2020, CORA's insurance underwriter, Markel, unilaterally invoked a "Contagion Exclusion Endorsement" so that any insurance claims arising from COVID-19-related claims would not be covered – this continues to apply.

CORA also purchased Directors' and Officers' Liability insurance.

## Contagion Exclusion Endorsement

READ THIS ENDORSEMENT CAREFULLY AS IT MAY EFFECT COVERAGE UNDER THE POLICY

This Insurance Policy provides no coverage for any **Claim** in any way caused by, arising out of or resulting from any disease or contagion, including that designated as such by any of the following:

- A. a Federal, Provincial, Territorial or Municipal authority or agency;
- B. a Minister of the Federal, Provincial or Territorial Crown;
- C. a person occupying the position of Chief Medical Officer of Health (or similar position) of a Province, Territory or Municipality;
- D. the World Health Organisation;
- E. the Center for Disease Control/Centre for Disease Control of
  - i) Canada or any Canadian Province or Territory;
  - ii) the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; or
  - iii) of the United States of America and any American State or Territory.

For purposes of this Endorsement, disease or contagion so designated shall include:

- a) any derivative, mutation or variation of the disease or contagion;
- b) any fear or threat of the spread of the disease or contagion;
- c) any failure to prevent, contain or eradicate the disease or contagion.

For purposes of greater clarity the following are diseases or contagion that are excluded pursuant to this endorsement:

- 1) Coronavirus disease (COVID-19);
- 2) Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2);
- 3) Ebola;
- 4) Avian Influenza (Avian Bird Flu); and,
- 5) Legionella (Legionnaire's Disease).

## Avenant d'exclusion en raison d'une contagion

LISEZ LE PRÉSENT AVENANT ATTENTIVEMENT, CAR IL POURRAIT AVOIR UNE INCIDENCE SUR LA COUVERTURE AU TITRE DE LA POLICE

Cette police d'assurance n'offre aucune couverture pour toute **réclamation** découlant ou résultant de quelque façon que ce soit de toute maladie ou contagion ou étant causée par une telle maladie ou contagion, y compris celles qui sont désignées comme telles par l'une des personnes ou l'un des organismes suivants :

- A. une autorité ou agence fédérale, provinciale, territoriale ou municipale;
- B. un ministre fédéral, provincial ou territorial de la Couronne;
- C. une personne occupant le poste de médecin hygiéniste en chef (ou un poste similaire) dans une province, un territoire ou une municipalité;
- D. l'Organisation mondiale de la Santé;
- E. le Center for Disease Control/un centre de contrôle des maladies
  - i) du Canada ou de toute province ou de tout territoire canadien;
  - ii) du Royaume-Uni de Grande-Bretagne et d'Irlande du Nord; ou
  - iii) des États-Unis d'Amérique et de tout État ou territoire américain.

Aux fins du présent avenant, une maladie ou une contagion désignée comme telle comprendra :

- a) tout dérivé, toute mutation ou toute variation de la maladie ou de la contagion;
- b) toute peur ou menace de propagation de la maladie ou de la contagion;
- c) tout échec à prévenir, contenir ou éradiquer la maladie ou la contagion.

Pour être plus précis, voici les maladies ou contagions exclues au titre du présent avenant :

- 1) maladie à coronavirus (COVID-19);
- 2) coronavirus du syndrome respiratoire aigu sévère 2 (SARS-CoV-2);
- 3) maladie à virus Ebola;
- 4) influenza aviaire (grippe aviaire); et
- 5) légionnelle (maladie du légionnaire).





# CORA CANOE REGISTRY REPORT (AGM) 2021

## OVERVIEW

This initiative began in 2020 as an exercise 1) to capture an inventory of CORA "big-boats" (much like the SCORA / OHCRA / HCRA Registries) and 2) to capture details (names / IDs / colours / weights) of CORA "big-boats". This initiative continued in 2021 with data quality improvements to the Canoe Registry and a photograph catalogue based on information collected by the Historical Committee and Awards Committee on the movement of OC6s between CORA clubs.

## SUMMARY

- We have been able to identify 169 "big-boat" canoes within Canada
- New / used big-boat acquisitions since the previous Canoe Registry update in Autumn 2020 were minimal with 1 new Puakea Malolo acquired by FCRCC from an Ozone distributor, 2 used Canadian Malias acquired by Pearson College from Powell River, 2 new ARE Matahinas acquired by Powell River from a Canadian distributor, 1 used Outrigger Connection Mirage acquired by Haunani from Wai Nui, 1 new Puakea Malolo acquired by Rideau Valley from an Ozone distributor, 1 new Bradley Lightning (3-piece) acquired by H2O Outrigger from a Florida distributor, 2 used Clipper Advantages acquired by Toronto from Vernon, and 1 used Clipper Advantage acquired by Sunnyside from Pacific Reach
- There were some tragic big-boat losses with the only Bradley Striker in Canada (TSCC) being wrecked and a Wai Nui Bradley Lightning being severely damaged at the Toronto International Outrigger Challenge (TIOC)
- We have been able to capture current pictures of 98% (167/169) of the "big-boat" canoes within Canada
- We have identified that one former CORA club (COMMOC / MOPC) has left CORA and their single OC6 is now privately-owned
- We have only recently learned that there may be even more OC6s/OC4s in Canada at non-CORA clubs as there may be 3 OC6s at Wiki Wiki Wa'a and 2-4 OC6s/OC4s at Outer Harbour Dragon Boat Club
- There are 7 CORA clubs and 1 ECORA club that each own at least 7 "big-boat" canoes and collectively own 41% (69/169) of all "big-boat" canoes in Canada
- 12% (21/169) of "big-boat" canoes in Canada (1 in 8) are NOT owned by clubs / teams affiliated with CORA
- Discussions with Val Simmons of Haunani noted the following 3 points: A) There continues to be a dearth of OC6s in Quebec (4 in 2020 and 6 in 2021 (Haunani; H2O; COMMOC/MOPC; Onake); B) There are NOT enough OC6s in Ontario to support the demand; Wai Nui has been supporting local clubs / events with their 8 OC6s but the other 7 Ontario clubs only have 11 OC6s between them; C) A Florida outrigger club gifted an OC6 to an unnamed Toronto club to be shared but that "sharing" has NOT happened

## INSIGHTS

This ongoing initiative to maintain the Canoe Registry has yielded these insights:

- Canadian clubs have few options for new OC6s with only the Western Canada Ozone distributor (Hana Hou Sports) the Eastern Canada Ozone distributor (Coldwater), the Florida 3-piece Bradley Lightning distributor (Canoa Havaiana), Woo Outrigger (Europe), and a Western Canada Matahina distributor (private)
- Getting new canoes to Canada is further complicated by the worldwide container (40'; 45') shortage that has resulted from ongoing COVID outbreaks
- The only remaining local Spec canoes (Clipper Advantage) were last manufactured in 2016

- Access to used canoes by Canadian clubs from the States has been impacted by the US / Canada exchange rate (80 cents/dollar) and border restrictions
- Access to used canoes between Canadian clubs is a challenge as those Canadian clubs with a large fleet are reluctant to sell older canoes as these canoes are used for all-season training and these large fleets of canoes are used for events where the host club provides the majority of canoes
- The challenge of canoe availability is even more prevalent in Eastern Canada where the growth of the sport has been constrained by the shortage of canoes
- CORA has looked at options for assisting Eastern Canada in acquiring OC6s, but a visible commitment by several Eastern Canada clubs to collectively procure used Spec OC6s could assist CORA with this effort
- It is worth noting that a fortuitous post on the CORA Discussion Forums in Autumn 2021 led to the sale of a Vernon trailer, 2 Vernon Clipper Advantages, and 1 Pacific Reach Clipper Advantage to 2 Toronto clubs via collaboration between CORA Board Members Bob Woodman & Rob Varnel

## RECOMMENDATIONS

These recommendations were put forward at the 2020 AGM and are once again put forward at the 2021 AGM:

- Consider an initiative to transfer minimally used Western Canada OC6s to Eastern Canada clubs to support outrigger canoe growth in Ontario / Quebec
- Reach out to unaffiliated Eastern Canada clubs (Onake; Ottawa River; Pickering) to join CORA
- Have a CORA issued unique canoe # decal assigned to each canoe and affixed behind seat six
- When life returns to "normal", consider an event showcasing the multitude of outrigger canoe makes in Western Canada

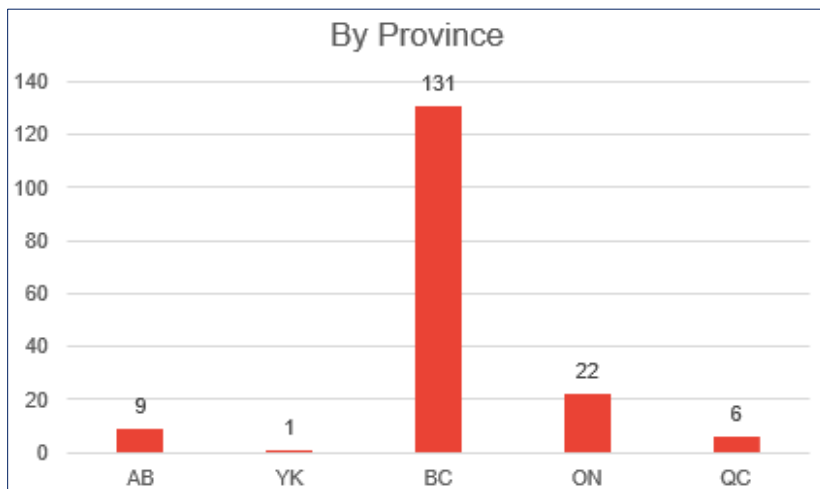
## APPENDIX

This Appendix has four tables with counts / charts of "big-boat" canoes by:

1. Province (BC; AB; ON; QC; YK)
2. Affiliation (CORA Member; ECORA / Unaffiliated)
3. Division (OC4; Spec OC6; Unlimited OC6)
4. Make / Model / Manufacturer

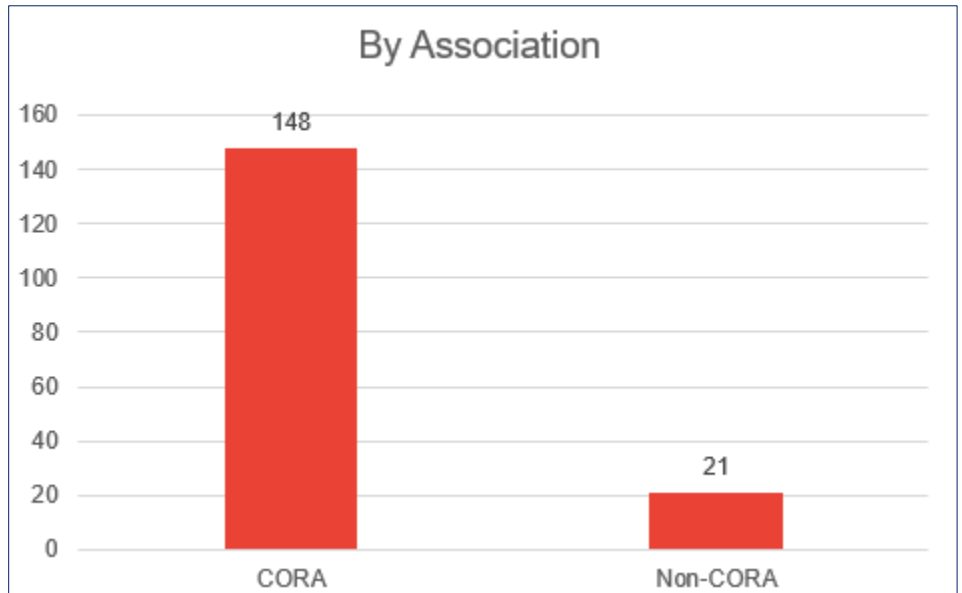
### Canoes By Province (BC; AB; ON; QC)

Province	Boats	Pct
BC	131	78%
ON	22	13%
AB	9	5%
QC	6	4%
YK	1	1%



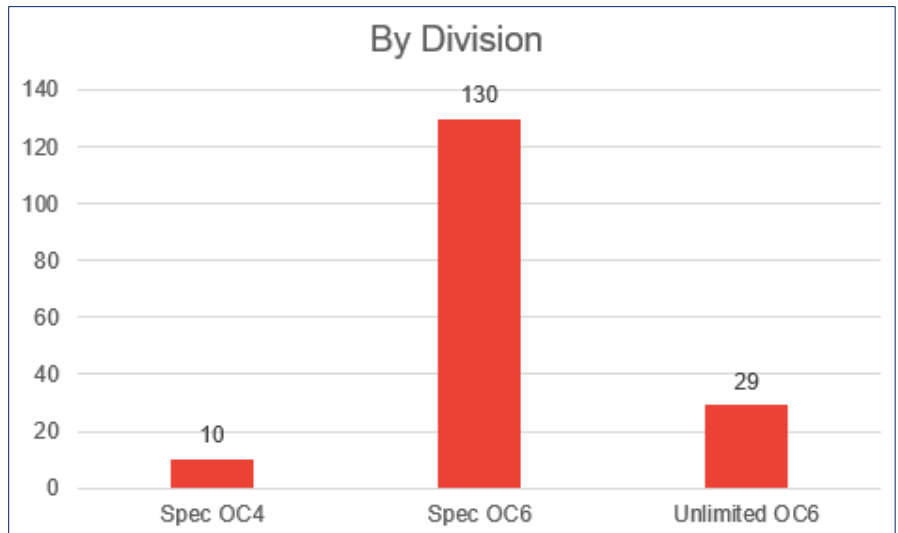
**Canoes By Affiliation (CORA Member; ECORA / Unaffiliated)**

Affiliation	Boats	Pct
CORA	148	88%
Non-CORA	21	12%



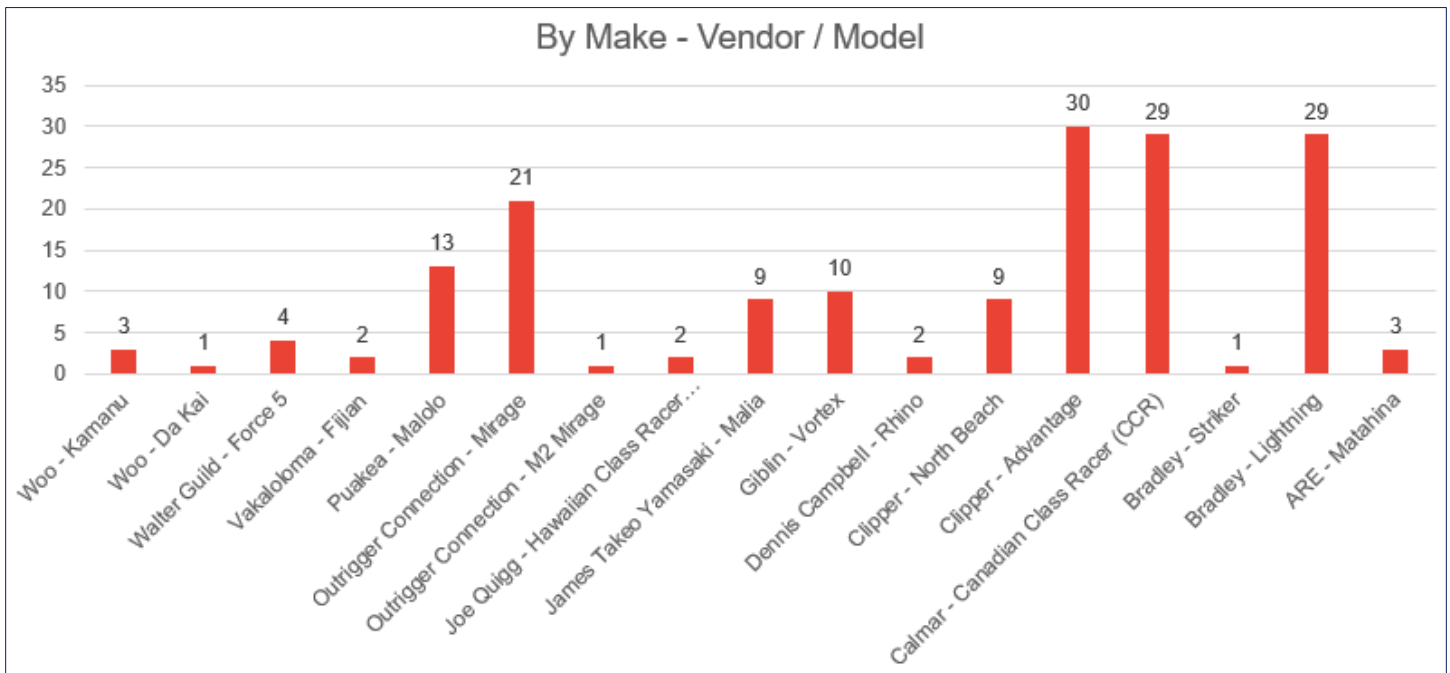
**Canoes By Division**

Canoe Division	Boats	Pct
Spec OC6	130	77%
Unlimited OC6	29	17%
Spec OC4	10	6%



## Canoes By Make / Vendor / Model

Make - Vendor / Model	Boats	Pct
Clipper - Advantage	30	17.8%
Calmar - Canadian Class Racer (CCR)	29	17.2%
Bradley - Lightning	29	17.2%
Outrigger Connection - Mirage	21	12.4%
Puakea - Malolo	13	7.7%
Giblin - Vortex	10	5.9%
James Takeo Yamasaki - Malia	9	5.3%
Clipper - North Beach	9	5.3%
Walter Guild - Force 5	4	2.4%
Woo - Kamanu	3	1.8%
Vakaloloma - Fijian	2	1.8%
Joe Quigg - Hawaiian Class Racer (HCR)	2	1.2%
Dennis Campbell - Rhino	2	1.2%
Woo - Da Kai	1	1.2%
Outrigger Connection - M2 Mirage	1	0.6%
Bradley - Striker	1	0.6%



## CLUB BRANDING / LOGOS

CORA collected a set of Club Branding / Logos for 2021 CORA Winter / Spring Small-Boat Virtual Races for the purpose of showcasing the hosts for these events. This effort continued through 2021 with the outcome being a collection of Club Branding / Logos archived to the CORA Google Drive and a page of Club Branding / Logos on the CORA website in the event CORA opts to do further promotion on behalf of clubs:

- <https://canadianoutrigger.ca/canadian-outrigger-racing-association/cora-clubs/>



# CORA HISTORICAL COMMITTEE REPORT (AGM) 2021

## OVERVIEW

The CORA Historical Committee was officially formed in 2020 and consists of current and ex-Officio Board Members who continue to collect and curate Canadian outrigger canoeing historical records for posterity.

## LIVIING DOCUMENTS

The eight reference documents published since 2020 (see below) are all to be revised shortly. All reference documents published on the CORA website were meant to be "living documents" as details continue to surface that result in additions / revisions to these documents.

## CANADIAN OUTRIGGER HALL OF FAME OUTCOMES

This topic is covered in detail in the CORA Awards Committee Report. However, it is worth noting that the 18 Canadian Outrigger Hall Of Fame 2021 Inductee Bios posted on the CORA website Hall Of Fame perpetual page contain a wealth of historical knowledge covering Canadian outrigger canoeing history from the 1970s till present day.

- <https://canadianoutrigger.ca/community-2/canadian-outrigger-hall-of-fame/>

Interviews with many of the Canadian Outrigger Hall Of Fame 2021 Inductees and individuals who know / knew these individuals has filled in many gaps in Canadian outrigger canoeing history.

## THE BURRARD – FIRST OC6 IN CANADA

Many Canadian paddlers might be surprised to know that eight CORA clubs were able to launch outrigger canoe crews by virtue of an OC6 that very few Canadian paddlers know about. There were sporadic mentions of a mystery OC6 in Canada in various references, but it was not until a series of chance interviews with a group of Comox paddlers that CORA learned the true story of "The Burrard" and when it arrived in Canada and where it finally came to rest. The story of how this OC6 came to Canada in 1986 and is now "returning to the soil" back in the forest in Comox can be found on the CORA website at:

- <https://canadianoutrigger.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/The-Burrard-Legacy-2021-07-Jul.pdf>

## TEAM CANADA IVF LEGACY

Interviews with several of the Canadian Outrigger Hall Of Fame 2021 Inductees as well as several other IVF Sprints participants provided background on the Team Canada IVF paddlers and results from the 1992 / 1994 / 1996 / 1998 / 2002 / 2006 events. IVF has scant records on the early years of IVF

Sprints and for these individuals who were there at that time to fill in the gaps on who was with Team Canada "*back in the day*" and their achievements is priceless.

- <https://canadianoutrigger.ca/community-2/cultural-continuity/>

## **CLUB LEGACIES – FALSE CREEK; LOTUS; JERICHO; PEMBERTON; COMOX; PENTICTON**

CORA accumulated a wealth of history in 2020 on three of the original CORA clubs (False Creek; Lotus; Jericho). The details collected in the research of the 18 Canadian Outrigger Hall Of Fame 2021 Inductees is to be incorporated into these three existing CORA club legacies. There is a vast amount of material that has been collected on Pemberton Canoe Association and Comox Valley Canoe Racing Club and Penticton Racing Canoe Club by virtue of some of the Canadian Outrigger Hall Of Fame 2021 Inductees Bios that is to be used in draft versions for legacies of these three clubs. CORA looks forward to working with Pemberton and Comox and Penticton on these "living documents".

## **CLUB LEGACIES – EASTERN CANADA**

Interviews have been held with many individuals with knowledge of Eastern Canada outrigger canoeing. CORA hopes to publish an Eastern Canada outrigger canoeing legacy document by the end of 2021 that covers the origins of many of the Ontario and Quebec canoe clubs. CORA Board Member Val Simmons of Haunani has researched history on the foundational canoe clubs in Eastern Canada (Wai Nui and Onake) and has prepared a brief overview of the key individuals and dates of these clubs.

## **CLUB LEGACIES – BC OKANAGAN**

Interviews have been held with many individuals with knowledge of BC Okanagan / Interior outrigger canoeing to build out the history of clubs from Kamloops / Vernon / Kelowna. CORA hopes to publish a BC Okanagan / Interior outrigger canoeing legacy document by the end of 2021 that covers the origins of many of the BC Okanagan / Interior canoe clubs.

## **RESOURCES**

Fact-checking, grammar-checking, umpteen email exchanges, and endless online searches in 2020 resulted in a very definitive Canoe Registry of the vast majority of big-boats (OC4s / OC6s) throughout Canada as well as a timeline of the travels of those canoes (continuously updated through 2021).

- <https://canadianoutrigger.ca/community-2/cultural-continuity/>

The end result of this ongoing research has been eight reference documents:

- The Malia in British Columbia – First publication on outrigger canoeing in Canada by Doug Mancell (Lotus Sports Club)
- The First Outrigger Canoes in BC – Revisit of the Doug Mancell article with further insights on the Canadian Malias, Hawaiian Class Racers (HCR), and Calmar Canadian Class Racers (CCR) from the 2020 research
- "The Burrard" – First OC6 in Canada (1985-2006)
- The Lotus Story – Extensive history (1986-2019) of Lotus Sports Club

- The False Creek Story – Extensive history (1982-2000) of False Creek Racing Canoe Club
- The Jericho Story – Extensive history (1993-2020) of Jericho Outrigger Canoe Club (Jericho Paddling Club)
- Unlimited Canoes In Canada – Detailed background on history / distributors / owners of all the various Unlimited OC6s across Canada
- Outrigger Canoes Chronology – Collection of short stories on the history of outrigger canoes from the original Hawaiian Malia (1938) to the various Unlimited OC6s with a focus on outrigger canoes in Canada

## **PRESERVATION**

CORA Board recognizes that these historical documents are a legacy to the founders and builders of Canadian outrigger canoeing and should be preserved for posterity. These historical documents are to be found on the CORA Google Drive in the Resources folder and have been published on the CORA website.

## **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

There are so many other individuals who have contributed to the Canadian Outrigger Hall Of Fame 2021 Inductee Bios as well as "The Burrard – First OC6 In Canada" and the Team Canada IVF Legacy:

- Annie Boulding (Comox) commentary on the 1985 Molokai Na Wahine all-Canadian crew and "The Burrard"
- Mel Whittall (Comox) commentary on the introduction of small-boats to BC
- Heather Taylor (Comox) commentary on the 1994 / 1996 / 1998 IVF Sprints
- Jackie Bell (Comox) commentary on the "The Burrard"
- Don Irvine (Comox) commentary on the first OC1 (1992 Sacramento IVF Sprints Jerry Montgomery) to Canada
- Zoe Norcross (Comox) commentary on the first Molokai Na Wahine Iron crew
- Johnny Puakea (Ozone) commentary on the 1984 Long Beach IVF Sprints and the Dennis Campbell Rhino
- Kamini Jain (Right Angle Performance) commentary on time with Jackie Webber
- Garry / Jim Mancell (Lotus) commentary on how Lotus and CORA were founded
- Don Mulhall (Penticton) commentary on how Penticton Racing Canoe Club was founded

## **MEMBERSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS**

CORA Board continues to collect historical records on Canadian outrigger canoeing. Stories for Vancouver Island, the Okanagan / Interior, and Eastern Canada have been started, but material is lacking. Input is welcome from anyone who may wish to contribute material to add to the legacy of Canadian outrigger canoeing.



# CORA AWARDS COMMITTEE REPORT (AGM) 2021

## OVERVIEW

The CORA Awards Committee was officially formed in 2020 and consists of current and ex-Officio Board Members who have responsibility for coordinating Canadian outrigger canoeing Awards including the **Peter Forand Masters Challenge Trophy** since 2016 and the **Hugh Town Memorial Builder Award** since 2019. The CORA Awards Committee took on additional responsibility with the introduction of the **Canadian Outrigger Hall Of Fame** in early 2021 that was an outcome of the CORA 2020 Pre-AGM.

## CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY

CORA Board recognizes the challenges in administering trophies based on experience with the CORA Cup Series trophies and various Dragon Boat BC trophies that CORA Board members have found themselves caring for over the years. CORA Board recognizes that trophies are an investment and should be tracked to avoid having to replace quite often irreplaceable mementos. CORA Board continues to maintain Chain-Of-Custody documents for the **Peter Forand Masters Challenge Trophy** and the **Hugh Town Memorial Builder Award** to ensure that the last known whereabouts can be easily determined. These Chain-Of-Custody documents are to be found on the CORA Google Drive in the Policies folder.

## PETER FORAND MASTERS CHALLENGE

Peter Forand left a lasting impression on everybody that he met during his time with Lotus Sports Club and Jericho Paddling Club and Comox Valley Canoe Racing Club (CVCRC). The Canadian Outrigger Racing Association (CORA) website has a perpetual page dedicated to the memory of Peter Forand. <https://canadianoutrigger.ca/community-2/peter-forand-masters-challenge-trophy/>



Ross Creasy of Open Ocean Outrigger had a friendship with Peter Forand that spanned many years. After the passing of Peter Forand, Ross Creasy petitioned CORA and PNWORCA to commission a trophy to be awarded after the PNWORCA Winter Series Championship race each year, to the top OC1 Masters (40+; 50+; 60+; 70+) paddler (female / male). This **Peter Forand Masters Challenge Trophy** was awarded in the first year (2017) to Peter Marcus (Kai Pana Outrigger Canoe Club), in the next three years (2018-2020) to Minnie Fontenelle (Sand Point Outrigger Canoe Club), and in the current year (2021) to Beau Whitehead (Kikaha O Ke Kai). The hand carved wooden fish hook sculpture at the top of the trophy represents the deep connection and



reverence that we have with the sea. The trophy does make an occasional appearance at a PNWORCA Winter Series race to honour the memory of Peter Forand.

2021 had been the second year where COVID led to an exceptional year for the PNWORCA Winter Series. The 2021 PNWORCA Small-Boat Races Winter Series proceeded as per the PNWORCA 2021 racing schedule with five events (Wasabi; Mountain Home; Kai Ikaika; Bellingham; Seattle Sand Point). This was the first time since 2004, when a Canadian event was added to the PNWORCA Small-Boat Races Winter Series schedule, that there were no Canadian events on the schedule. The first three 2021 PNWORCA Small-Boat Races Winter Series events were all virtual (Wasabi; Mountain Home; Kai Ikaika), were well attended by CORA and PNWORCA paddlers, but the lack of Canadian PNWORCA / CORA sanctioned virtual events meant that Canadian paddlers had two less events for the Points standings. The final two 2021 PNWORCA Small-Boat Races Winter Series events were in-person and were very well attended, but the closed USA / Canada land border crossing precluded Canadians from participating in the Bellingham and Seattle Sand Point events. The USA / Canada land border crossing has since been reopened in August 2021 to travel northbound and in November 2021 to travel southbound and hopefully there will be Canadian events on the 2022 PNWORCA Small-Boat Races Winter Series schedule.



Discussions between PNWORCA and CORA resulted in agreement that there was indeed an OC1 Masters paddler who dominated OC1 Masters paddling in all virtual and in-person events.

The 2022 PNWORCA Winter Series winner for the Peter Forand Masters Challenge was Beau Whitehead (Kikaha O Ke Kai) in the Men Masters 50+ OC1 Division. The 2021 PNWORCA Winter Series event organizers recognized Beau Whitehead as the **Peter Forand Masters Challenge** winner in accordance with guidelines as the Female or Male Masters (40+ / 50+ / 60+ / 70+) paddler with the highest number of points across all age / gender brackets at the end of the PNWORCA Winter Series. Given the ongoing USA / Canada land

border crossing restrictions, a small ceremony was held on a gorgeous afternoon in October 2021 on the Washington side of Peace Arch Park with Peter Marcus (2017 Recipient) making the presentation to Beau Whitehead (2021 Recipient) and the obelisk signifying the USA / Canada border in the distance.

<https://canadianoutrigger.ca/beau-whitehead-kikaha-o-ke-kai-wins-2021-peter-forand-masters-challenge/>

## HUGH TOWN MEMORIAL BUILDER AWARD



The purpose of the **Hugh Town Memorial Builder Award** is to recognize volunteers who have made significant and exemplary contributions to the Outrigger Canoe Racing Discipline of Canadian Outrigger Racing Association (CORA) within Canada in the Builder Category.

<https://canadianoutrigger.ca/community-2/the-hugh-a-town-memorial-builder-award/>

Prior to the 2019 CORA AGM there was no formal policy / process for administering and bestowing this award upon an individual. An outcome of the 2019 CORA AGM was approval of a policy / process to administer and potentially bestow this award upon a member each year.

<https://canadianoutrigger.ca/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/Hugh-Town-Memorial-Builder-Award-Policy.pdf>

The CORA Board reviewed nominations received for the 2020 season and recognized Drew Mitchell, formerly of False Creek Racing Canoe Club, as the 2020 recipient of the **Hugh Town Memorial Builder Award**.

*Drew Mitchell has a 40-year legacy of selfless volunteer effort to paddlesports in general and outrigger canoe racing in particular. He has made contributions to support Canadian paddlers at the international, national, provincial, and club level. He has been part of the Burnaby Canoe & Kayak Club that was the source of paddlers for both False Creek Racing Canoe Club and Lotus Sports Club. He has been with False Creek Racing Canoe Club since its inception in 1985. He has made significant contributions to the FCRCC dragon boat and outrigger canoe programs as a head coach for 15 years. He served on the False Creek Executive for many years and was FCRCC Chairman for 1996 and possibly at least one year before / after.*



<https://canadianoutrigger.ca/hugh-town-memorial-builder-award-2019/>

It is worth noting that the decision by the CORA Board to award the **Hugh Town Memorial Builder Award** to Drew Mitchell, an individual who had 20+ years of contributions to Canadian outrigger canoeing, yet had not been active in the Canadian outrigger canoeing for 20 years, led the CORA Board to the realization that with only a single award per year for Builders, that it might take decades to recognize those individuals from the 1980s / 1990s / 2000s / 2010s who had made "Significant and Exemplary Contributions" to Canadian outrigger canoeing. Hence, a suggestion was put forward to consider the introduction of a **Canadian Outrigger Hall Of Fame**.

As the Canadian Iron Championships had been cancelled for both 2020 and 2021, best efforts had been made to present the trophy to the 2019 recipient at a mutually convenient time / place. Given constantly changing travel / gathering restrictions, a small ceremony was finally held on a gorgeous

afternoon in September 2021 at Barnet Marine Park between Lotus Poker Paddle heats with CORA Chairman (Ron Chin) making the presentation to Grace Morissette (2019 Recipient) with the Indian Arm backdrop in the distance.

## CANADIAN OUTRIGGER HALL OF FAME

CORA gave this proposal serious consideration. CORA evaluated the policies / processes of the Major League Baseball Hall Of Fame, BC Sports Hall Of Fame, Ontario Sports Hall Of Fame, NHL Hall Of Fame, and Dragon Boat Canada Hall Of Fame to arrive at a policy / process that would make this **Canadian Outrigger Hall Of Fame** a meaningful endeavour and that those individuals inducted in the inaugural year would set the bar for nominees in future years. It took the CORA Board four months to arrive at a vision that was unanimously approved via a CORA Board Meeting Motion.

This **Canadian Outrigger Hall Of Fame** has a mandate that can be summarized as follows:

- *Canadian Outrigger Racing Association (CORA) recognized that there were many individuals who had made "Significant and Exemplary Contributions" to Canadian outrigger canoeing, but their stories had never been captured, and they had never been formally recognized. CORA spent early 2021 tracking down this history, and fact-checking as best as possible the exploits of those individuals who founded CORA, who founded CORA clubs, who were coaches / builders with CORA clubs, who inaugurated races, who excelled at IVF / Molokai / Catalina / Queen Liliuokalani events, and who designed / built / imported / distributed canoes to grow the sport.*

While the CORA Awards Committee was formulating the policy / process, a number of individuals who were known to be influential in the early days of Canadian outrigger canoeing were put forward as potential Candidates and extensive research was conducted to establish their credentials. By the time that the **Canadian Outrigger Hall Of Fame** was approved by the CORA Board, there were already 15 individuals identified with impeccable credentials. Ongoing research into the **Team Canada IVF Legacy** and "**The Burrard**" led to 3 more individuals who had been "under the radar". These 18 individuals were on the 2021 Ballot and every one of them was elected with the necessary quota of votes for induction.

It was during a "pilgrimage" to see "The Burrard" in the forest behind the home of Jackie Bell that the idea of a presentation at the Comox OC6 event for the 8 Inductees who called Comox home was proposed. CORA had yet to determine what the "commemoration" noted in the **Canadian Outrigger Hall Of Fame** policy / process would look like. Kerr Recognition in Vancouver has provided many of the CORA awards for many years and a session with the Kerr Recognition staff led to the design of the **Canadian Outrigger Hall Of Fame** plaques that have been presented to each of the Inductees or a representative for them.



The CORA website has a perpetual page dedicated to the **Canadian Outrigger Hall Of Fame** where one can view the Bios of the 2021 Inductees (Jackie Webber; Rick Nu'u; Peter Forand; Hugh Fisher; Sheila Kuyper; James Van Nostrand; Don Irvine; David Boulding; Mel Whittall; Heather Taylor; Drew

Mitchell; Garry Mancell; Bob Disbrow; Cheryl Skribe; Alan Carlsson; Jim Mancell; Ron Kaschula; Annie Boulding) that should provide the level of credentials CORA takes into consideration for nominees.

CORA was very fortunate that the inaugural year process was completed in early August 2021 several weeks before the Comox Valley Canoe Racing Club (CVCRC) OC6 event at the end of August. Comox graciously organized and hosted a Canadian Outrigger Canoeing Hall Of Fame presentation for the eight Inductees who have called Comox home.

CORA hosted an online Town Hall session in November 2021 for those Inductees spread across Canada and the rest of the world. The Inductees and Guest Speakers included Drew Mitchell, Tony Hall, Hugh Fisher, Karen Tomlinson, Alwyn Morris, Lynne van Nostrand, Mel Whittall, Sheila Kuyper, Wendy Perkins, Mallorie Nicholson, Adam van Koeverden, Alan Carlsson, Andrea Dillon, Shelley Webber, and Kamini Jain. The Town Hall session was recorded and this priceless gathering of some of the most influential individuals representing 4 decades of outrigger canoeing history may be found on the CORA website.

### **BC SPORTS HALL OF FAME (BCSHOF) & ONTARIO SPORTS HALL OF FAME (OSHOFF)**

*The BC Sports Hall of Fame and Museum preserves and honours BC's sport heritage by recognizing extraordinary achievement in sport. Since 1966, the BC Sports Hall of Fame has inducted 417 individuals and 64 teams. Once inducted, these individuals and teams become known as Honoured Members and Honoured Teams respectively and are honoured in the BC Sports Hall of Fame's Hall of Champions. Their stories of triumph, leadership, overcoming adversity, and trailblazing innovation have shaped British Columbia sport and culture for well over a century. By remembering, honouring, and celebrating these individuals and teams, the hope is their stories inspire future generations to follow their dreams in sport and life.*

CORA has had discussions with the BC Sports Hall Of Fame and they were very interested in receiving nominations for individuals from outrigger canoeing as they have only a single canoeing Inductee. CORA has nominated 7 individuals to the BC Sports Hall of Fame and 1 individual to the Ontario Sports Hall of Fame for consideration on their 2021 ballots.

We have heard back from the BC Sports Hall of Fame that their selection / induction process was paused for over a year due to the COVID pandemic of 2020/2021. Nominees received by 30-Jun-2019 were inducted as the 2020 class in a virtual ceremony in July 2021. Nominees received by 30-Jun-2020 were evaluated in September 2021 for induction as the 2021 class for a ceremony sometime in July 2022. Nominees received by 30-Jun-2021 as the 2022 class will be evaluated sometime late in 2022 at the same time as when Nominees received by 30-Jun-2022, as the 2023 class will also be evaluated sometime late in 2022.

The situation is that even though CORA nominated a stellar group of candidates for Athlete and Builder and Pioner and WAC Bennett Awards by the 30-Jun-2021 cut-off date, we will not know who might be elected as Honoured Members into the 2022 class until sometime late in 2022.

### **PETER FORAND MASTERS CHALLENGE ADMINISTRATION**

PNWORCA Executive is responsible for administering the PNWORCA Winter Series Race Results and communicating standings in each boat / gender / age division. It is important that CORA and PNWORCA Race Directors communicate PNWORCA Winter Series Race Results in a timely manner and consistent format to the PNWORCA Race Chairman. Administration of the **Peter Forand Masters Challenge** standings adds a level of complexity due to the consolidation of all female / male OC1 Masters (40+ / 50+ / 60+ / 70+) into a single division. CORA Board has taken the lead on PNWORCA Winter Series Race Points for the **Peter Forand Masters Challenge** standings and collaboration with the PNWORCA Race Chairman since 2017. There is a Series Points Template to assist with this process. There should be a knowledge transfer for this process.

### **HUGH TOWN MEMORIAL BUILDER ADMINISTRATION**

The procedure for administration and bestowing is well-documented. There is a concern that this is a novel process and has not yet become ingrained in CORA Board business-as-usual or as an expectation by the membership as to how this should happen on an annual basis. Nor is there an individual who has been tasked with ensuring that the procedures are followed.

### **CORA AWARDS VENDORS**

Note that Kerr Recognition Services Inc. in Vancouver BC has provided trophies and glass awards and medals for CORA for many years. There are many recognition services vendors that provide comparable products / services. However, the proprietor (Sae Kerr) and the designer (Ross Lawton) have collaborated with CORA for many years and provide exceptional service and maintain records of design work and invoices going back to the 1990s. A recent change in business operations for Kerr Recognition Services means that when plates / shields on trophies require engraving to commemorate the current year recipient, these plates / shields are now out-sourced to a third-party vendor and CORA must replace the existing plates / shields that are affixed with double-sided tape.

Contact details are as follows:

- Kerr's Recognition Services Inc.  
8385 Saint George Street #14  
Vancouver, BC V5X 4P3  
t. 604.325.0721 / f. 604.325.0717
- Sae Kerr: [sae@kerrsrecognition.com](mailto:sae@kerrsrecognition.com)
- Ross Lawton: [ross@kerrsrecognition.com](mailto:ross@kerrsrecognition.com)
- <https://www.kerrsrecognition.com/>





## **CORA RACE SUMMARY REPORT (AGM) 2021**

### **CORA WINTER SMALL-BOAT VIRTUAL RACES**

CORA Board anticipated in Autumn 2020 that 2021 early season big-boat (V12 / OC6) events might be in jeopardy given the uncertainty surrounding COVID going into Winter 2020 and so coordinated a 2021 CORA Small-Boat Racing Winter Series on a regional basis. The BC Provincial Health Order (PHO) that went into effect in November 2020 was still in place as CORA approached the first event of the 2021 CORA Small-Boat Racing Winter Series in January 2021. CORA responded quickly to this situation and reorganized the 2021 CORA Small-Boat Winter Races into a set of three virtual races, one in each of January / February / March with CORA Board Members doing the vast majority of the work, with the six host clubs (Jericho; Fairway Gorge; False Creek; Nanaimo Ocean; Latitude 48; Fort Langley) sharing equally in the proceeds from the virtual events.

Participation was predominantly from Vancouver Island, the BC Lower Mainland, and the Okanagan with 65 paddlers registering for 124 entries.

CORA had provided for a 2021 CORA Small-Boat Winter Races Prizing Grant that was awarded to Predator Performance Designs (XS Unified) as the sole sponsor. It was hoped that the "Apex" events on Vancouver Island and the BC Lower Mainland would be in-person and that the sponsor could distribute draw prizes to a set of random winners. Predator Performance Designs provided more than enough prizes such that every participant was a "winner" and CORA conducted a mass packaging / mail-out to send at least one prize to every 2021 CORA Small-Boat Virtual Races participant.

### **CORA SPRING SMALL-BOAT VIRTUAL RACES**

With most of Canada still under travel / gathering restrictions going into Spring 2021, CORA leveraged the experience of the 2021 CORA Winter Small-Boat Virtual Races and organized a set of 2021 CORA Spring Small-Boat Virtual Races, one in each of April / May / June with CORA Board Members doing the vast majority of the work, with the 6 host clubs (Comox; Vernon; Kelowna; VOS; Penticton; Fraser Valley) sharing equally in the proceeds from the virtual events. Participation from Comox / Vernon / Fraser Valley was notable, while participation from Kelowna was 0, Penticton was 0, and VOS was 2.

Participation was from Vancouver Island, the BC Lower Mainland, the Sunshine Coast, the Okanagan, Calgary, and Ottawa with 99 paddlers registering for 180 entries.

CORA provided for a 2021 CORA Small-Boat Spring Races Prizing Grant that was awarded to Waterfront Outfitters (Vancouver Island), Oddball Workshop (BC Lower Mainland) and various dining establishments for paddlers far-away from the two BC sponsors. CORA opted not to have another mass mail-out of prizes to winners. A one-day in-person meet-and-greet was held in Vancouver for BC Lower Mainland paddlers to collect prizes of their own choosing in-person while winners from Vancouver Island and far-away received e-Gift Cards to redeem at Waterfront Outfitters in Victoria or a dining establishment in their locale ("Eat well and prosper").

## PNWORCA SMALL-BOAT RACES WINTER SERIES

The 2021 PNWORCA Small-Boat Races Winter Series proceeded as per the PNWORCA 2021 racing schedule with 5 events (Wasabi; Mountain Home; Kai Ikaika; Bellingham; Seattle Sand Point). This was the first time since 2004, when a Canadian event was added to the PNWORCA Small-Boat Races Winter Series schedule, that there were no Canadian events on the schedule. The first three 2021 PNWORCA Small-Boat Races Winter Series events were all virtual (Wasabi; Mountain Home; Kai Ikaika), were well attended by PNWORCA / CORA paddlers, but the lack of Canadian PNWORCA / CORA sanctioned virtual events meant that Canadian paddlers had 2 less events for the Points standings. The final two 2021 PNWORCA Small-Boat Races Winter Series events were in-person and were very well attended, but the closed USA / Canada land border crossing precluded Canadians from participating in the Bellingham and Seattle Sand Point events. The USA / Canada land border crossing has since been reopened in August 2021 to travel northbound and hopefully there will be Canadian events on the 2022 PNWORCA Small-Boat Races Winter Series schedule.

There were a small number of PNWORCA paddlers who also did the 2021 CORA Winter Small-Boat Virtual Races. There was one individual who dominated OC1 Masters paddling in all virtual and in-person events. **Beau Whitehead** of Bellingham WA was recognized as the 2021 Peter Forand Masters Challenge Trophy recipient and joins Peter Marcus and Minnie Fontenelle as recipients of this award.

## CORA RETURN TO IN-PERSON RACES

Travel / gathering restrictions were relaxed to varying extents across Canada by Summer 2021 as roll-out of COVID vaccinations offered hope for return to "normal". Several races that had been on the schedule for Summer / Autumn 2021 proceeded as planned and several races on the schedule for Winter / Spring 2021 that had been cancelled were rescheduled to provide for missed racing opportunities. CORA clubs were able to host **9 in-person events**. The in-person events for the 2nd half of 2021 included:

- False Creek Round Bowen Small-Boats (July) / [Finishers = 41 Iron and 38 Change](#)
- Fairway Gorge Splash-Dashe OC1, OC2 Fairway Gorge (250M Sprints) (August) / [Finishers = 35](#)
- Fairway Gorge Splash-Dashe OC6 Fairway Gorge (250M Sprints) (August) / [Finishers = 12](#)
- Comox OC6 Iron (August) / [Finishers = 35](#)
- Comox Small-Boats (August) / [Finishers = 43](#)
- Fairway Gorge Guts and Glory 1000M, 1500M, 1200M OC6 Sprints (September) / [Finishers = 20](#)
- Lotus Poker Paddle OC6 Mid-Distance (September) / [Finishers = 26](#)
- Toronto International Outrigger Challenge (TIOC) OC6 Iron (September) / [Finishers = 5](#)
- Toronto International Outrigger Challenge (TIOC) Small-Boats (September) / [Finishers = 84](#)
- Latitude 48 (Ocean River) Bridges OC6 Mid-Distance (October) (Amalgamated May 2021) / [Finishers = 44](#)
- Latitude 48 (Ocean River) Bridges Small-Boats (October) (Amalgamated May 2021) / [Finishers = 43](#)
- Fairway Gorge Wet-Dashe OC6 Changes (November) / [Finishers = ?? \(No results posted by AGM\)](#)

It is worth noting that at the July 2021 CORA Board Meeting, several weeks before in-person events resumed, new Distance Race Rules were approved effective immediately making it:

- Compulsory upon CORA Sanctioned Event Hosts to put into place registration processes that provided for all 24 Age / Gender Divisions for Distance (not Sprints) small-boat and big-boat events

- Compulsory upon CORA Sanctioned Event Distance (not Sprints) small-boat participants to "Race Their Age"

## **CORA IN-PERSON RACES ATTENDANCE**

Another racing season impacted by COVID makes it impractical for year-over-year comparisons:

- There was no CORA Cup Series in 2020 or 2021
- Paddlers had minimal opportunities to train in big-boats for a handful of big-boat events
- Paddlers had few opportunities within their region to participate at in-person racing events
- There was much discussion in early 2021 regarding increased participation by Novice / Open paddlers / crews, yet CORA and CORA Sanctioned Event hosts did very little to encourage increased participation by Novice / Open paddlers / crews

CORA continues to support small-boat racing by providing subsidized Small-Boat Racing Numbers at zero cost to host clubs. The process for acquiring new CORA Small-Boat Racing Numbers from the long-term vendor has been documented and saved to the CORA Google Drive for Business Continuity.

## **RACE RESULTS**

- With the new CORA website and a reorganization of content, for 2020/2021 and going forward, Race Results PDFs are now named as YEAR Club Event (2021 FGPC Wet-Dashe):  
<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 Images 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.

## **2022 PLANNING**

CORA Board is optimistic that we will return to normal by the beginning of the 2022 season. CORA Event Sanctioning requests will continue to be accepted until April 2022. However, CORA Board recognizes that the ongoing COVID concerns create uncertainty with regard to 2022 early season big-boat (V12 / OC6) events. CORA is actively pursuing an Eastern Canada CORA Cup Series to engage Ontario / Quebec clubs and paddlers. CORA is also actively pursuing a BC Lower Mainland Sprints Regatta event this coming year at the Burnaby Lake Rowing Centre that has had major renovations over this past year.





# 2022 CORA Event Calendar

(as of November 20, 2021)

Name of Race	Host Club	Proposed Date	Event Type
Lotus Ice Breaker	Lotus Sports Club	January 15, 2022	V-12
PNWORCA WS #2	Jericho Paddle Club	January 29, 2022	Small Boats
FGPC V12	Fairway Gorge Paddling Club	February 5, 2022	V-12
PNWORCA WS #5	False Creek Racing Canoe Club	March 5, 2022	Small Boats
FGPC Kan U Hak It	Fairway Gorge Paddling Club	March 6, 2022	OC6
Crazy 8 and NPI Attack	Nanaimo Ocean Paddling Club	March 12-13, 2022	OC6 / Small Boats
March Madness	False Creek Racing Canoe Club	March 26-27, 2022	OC6
FLCC River Run	Fort Langley Canoe Club	April 9-10, 2022	OC6 / Small Boats
CORA Sprint Nationals	CORA [Burnaby Lake]	[Late April 2022]	V1/OC6 Sprint
Duel in the Desert	Penticton Racing Canoe Club	May 7-8, 2022	OC6 / Small Boats / CORA Cup (Interior)
IVF Sprint Trials (London)	Calgary Canoe Club	May 14-15, 2022	OC6 Sprint
Jericho Iron	Jericho Paddle Club	May 28, 2022	OC6
Island Iron	Latitude 48 Paddling Club	June 4-5, 2022	OC6 / Small Boats / CORA Cup (Island)
Lotus Iron	Lotus Sports Club	July 2, 2022	OC6 / Small Boats / CORA Cup (Lower Mainland)
CORA Distance Nationals	Comox Valley Racing Canoe Club	[Sept 9-10?, 2022]	OC6 / Small Boats / CORA Nationals
Lotus Poker Paddle	Lotus Sports Club	Sept 17, 2022	OC6
FGPC Guts & Glory	Fairway Gorge Paddling Club	Sept 17, 2022	Multi-hull
TIOC	TSCC Maka Koa Outrigger	Sept 24-25, 2022	OC6 / Small Boats
Bridges 2022	Latitude 48 Paddling Club	Oct 1-2, 2022	OC6 / Small Boats
IVF Distance Trials (Samoa)	Jericho Paddle Club	Oct 15-16, 2022	V1/OC1
FGPC WetDashe	Fairway Gorge Paddling Club	Nov 12-13, 2022	OC6 Dry Change

**On November 20, 2021, the CORA Board passed a resolution requiring that all participants in 2022 CORA-sanctioned events must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19.**



# CORA 2021 Small-Boat Winter Series Proposed Scheduling

## OVERVIEW

CORA will be coordinating a 2021 CORA Small-Boat Racing Winter Series on a regional basis, given the uncertainty of the current health crisis and the challenges regarding big boat (V12 / OC6) racing going into the 2021 season. This initiative is not meant to replace 2021 Winter big boat racing, but is meant to offer an alternative should Winter big boat racing not be feasible.

## TABLE LEGEND / NOTES

- Three Vancouver Island (VI) clubs and four Lower Mainland (LM) clubs submitted "Intent To Host" forms.
- Some clubs specified a single preferred date, some two preferred dates, and some three preferred dates.
- There have been no requests yet from Sunshine Coast or Okanagan / Interior or Alberta or the East.
- Jericho and False Creek hosted PNWORCA Winter series events in **2019** on Feb-15 and Mar-7.
- Lotus has already requested Jan-16 for Ice Breaker in 2021, although Grace has recently indicated that Ice Breaker will not likely proceed without a vaccine widely available.
- Fairway Gorge has already requested Feb-6 for V12-V21 in 2021.
- Fairway Gorge has already requested Mar-7 for Kan-U-Hak-It in 2021.
- False Creek has recently requested dates for March Madness in 2021 (3rd weekend in March is traditional) of Mar 27/28.
- Note that CORA clubs still have until April 2021 to request event dates, and March Madness is the most recent traditional pre-April event to be requested.
- Vancouver Island 4th (VI4) club is open at this time. Comox has declined. Nanaimo Ocean Paddling Club (NOPC) has offered to host two events (one on their traditional Crazy 8's weekend and one on Feb-20/21 weekend). Fairway Gorge Paddling Club (FGPC) has offered to host two events (one on their traditional V12-V21 weekend and one on their traditional Kan-U-Hak-It weekend).
- The "Recommend" Vancouver Island dates under both **Proposal A** and **Proposal B** have a 2-week gap between each of the four events, alternating weekends with Lower Mainland dates, with the final VI event on Mar-20/21 weekend. The only "wildcard" is the Mar-13/14 weekend where there is LM / VI overlap which could be NOPC Plan B or a backup for a "snow weekend". There may be an option to move Latitude 48 event between Saturday / Sunday if 2021 March Madness traditional weekend goes ahead.
- The "Recommend" Lower Mainland dates under **Proposal A** have a 2-week gap between each of the four events with the final LM event on Mar-27/28 weekend. This scenario avoids a Lower Mainland date falling on March Madness traditional weekend should False Creek request that weekend.
- The "Recommend" Lower Mainland dates under **Proposal B** have a 2-week gap between each of the four events with the final LM event on Mar-13/14 weekend. This scenario avoids a Lower Mainland date falling on March Madness traditional weekend should False Creek request that weekend.
- Note that the proposed scheduling under **Proposal A** presently has no dates in January and this would allow Ice Breaker to reschedule for a later January date should there be an opportunity to take advantage of more fortuitous circumstances.

**Proposal A: February 7 – March 27**

Date	Recommend	Latitude 48	Fairway Gorge	Nanaimo	VI4 ?	Jericho Feb-15	Lotus	FCRCC Mar-7	FLCC
Jan 9-Sat		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan 10-Sun		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan 16-Sat		-	-	-	-	-	Ice Breaker	-	-
Jan 17-Sun		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan 23-Sat		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan 24-Sun		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan 30-Sat		-	-	-	-	1st Choice	-	-	-
Jan 31-Sun		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feb 6-Sat		-	V12-V21	-	-	2nd Choice	-	-	-
Feb 7-Sun	FGPC1	-	1st Choice	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feb 13-Sat	JPC	-	-	-	-	3rd Choice	1st Choice	-	-
Feb 14-Sun		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feb 20-Sat	NOPC1	-	-	3rd Choice	-	-	2nd Choice	-	-
Feb 21-Sun		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feb 27-Sat	Lotus	-	-	-	-	-	3rd Choice	3rd Choice	-
Feb 28-Sun		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mar 6-Sat	FGPC2	-	2nd Choice	-	-	-	-	2nd Choice	-
Mar 7-Sun		-	Kan-U-Hak-It	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mar 13-Sat	NOPC2	3rd Choice	-	1st Choice	-	-	-	-	-
Mar 14-Sun	FLCC	-	-	2nd Choice	-	-	-	-	1st Choice
Mar 20-Sat	Lat48	2nd Choice	-	-	-	-	-	March Madness	-
Mar 21-Sun		-	-	-	-	-	-	March Madness	-
Mar 27-Sat	FCRCC	1st Choice	-	-	-	-	-	1st Choice	-
Mar 28-Sun		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

**Proposal B: January 30 – March 20**

Date	Recommend	Latitude 48	Fairway Gorge	Nanaimo	VI4 ?	Jericho Feb-15	Lotus	FCRCC Mar-7	FLCC
Jan 9-Sat		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan 10-Sun		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan 16-Sat		-	-	-	-	-	Ice Breaker	-	-
Jan 17-Sun		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan 23-Sat		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan 24-Sun		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan 30-Sat	JPC	-	-	-	-	1st Choice	-	-	-
Jan 31-Sun		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feb 6-Sat		-	V12-V21	-	-	2nd Choice	-	-	-
Feb 7-Sun	FGPC1	-	1st Choice	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feb 13-Sat	Lotus	-	-	-	-	3rd Choice	1st Choice	-	-
Feb 14-Sun		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feb 20-Sat	NOPC1	-	-	3rd Choice	-	-	2nd Choice	-	-
Feb 21-Sun		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feb 27-Sat	FCRCC	-	-	-	-	-	3rd Choice	3rd Choice	-
Feb 28-Sun		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mar 6-Sat	FGPC2	-	2nd Choice	-	-	-	-	2nd Choice	-
Mar 7-Sun		-	Kan-U-Hak-It	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mar 13-Sat	NOPC2	3rd Choice	-	1st Choice	-	-	-	-	-
Mar 14-Sun	FLCC	-	-	2nd Choice	-	-	-	-	1st Choice
Mar 20-Sat	Lat48	2nd Choice	-	-	-	-	-	March Madness	-
Mar 21-Sun		-	-	-	-	-	-	March Madness	-
Mar 27-Sat		1st Choice	-	-	-	-	-	1st Choice	-
Mar 28-Sun		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

**Proposal B (Reformatted): January 30 – March 20**

Date	Vancouver Island CORA Winter Series				Lower Mainland CORA Winter Series			
	Latitude 48	FGPC	Nanaimo	VI4	Jericho	Lotus	FCRCC	FLCC
Jan 9-Sat	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan 10-Sun	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan 16-Sat	-	-	-	-	-	Ice Breaker	-	-
Jan 17-Sun	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan 23-Sat	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan 24-Sun	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jan 30-Sat	-	-	-	-	1st Choice (recommend)	-	-	-
Jan 31-Sun	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feb 6-Sat	-	V12-V21	-	-	2nd Choice	-	-	-
Feb 7-Sun	-	1st Choice (recommend)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feb 13-Sat	-	-	-	-	3rd Choice	1st Choice (recommend)	-	-
Feb 14-Sun	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feb 20-Sat	-	-	3rd Choice (recommend)	-	-	2nd Choice	-	-
Feb 21-Sun	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feb 27-Sat	-	-	-	-	-	3rd Choice	3rd Choice (recommend)	-
Feb 28-Sun	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mar 6-Sat	-	2nd Choice (recommend)	-	-	-	-	2nd Choice	-
Mar 7-Sun	-	Kan-U-Hak-It	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mar 13-Sat	3rd Choice	-	1st Choice	-	-	-	-	-
Mar 14-Sun	-	-	2nd Choice	-	-	-	-	1st Choice (recommend)
Mar 20-Sat	2nd Choice (recommend)	-	-	-	-	-	March Madness	-
Mar 21-Sun	-	-	-	-	-	-	March Madness	-
Mar 27-Sat	1st Choice	-	-	-	-	-	1st Choice	-
Mar 28-Sun	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-



**CANADIAN OUTRIGGER RACING ASSOCIATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
(November 21, 2021)  
(Maximum 15 Directors)**

Name	TERM EXPIRES @ AGM IN:			
	2021	2022	2023	2024
1. Ronald Chin, FCRCC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
2. Leanne Stanley, KPC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
3. Mony Sy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
4. Scott Borle, FVPC		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
5. Graeme Galves		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
6. Rob Magus, FCRCC		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
7. Marianne Pilon, VYPC		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
8. Jonathan Wilkins, FLCC		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
9. Erik Ages, FGPC			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
10. Rob Varnel, Pacific Reach			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
11. Cindy Wright, ORPC			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
12. Valerie Simmons, Haunani			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
13. Tony Vukasovic, Lotus			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
14. Bob Woodman, Vernon	Resigned Nov 2/21			
<b>DIRECTORS STANDING FOR RE-ELECTION @ 2021 AGM</b>				
Ronald Chin, FCRCC				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Leanne Stanley, KPC				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mony Sy				<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>NOMINEES FOR ELECTION @ 2021 AGM</b>				
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