

CORA Annual Technical Meeting Minutes Sunday, November 20, 2022 at 1:00 PM PT

Board members in attendance: Ron Chin, Leanne Stanley, Rob Varnel, Erik Ages, Rob Magus, Cindy Wright, Jonathan Wilkins, Marianne Pilon and Graeme Galves

Board members unable to attend: Valerie Simmons and Mony Sy

CORA members attending: Yvonne Sharpe, Carmen Varnel and Penny and Stuart Seeley

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)
 - Formal Board meeting
 - We have quorum
 - Anything to add to agenda or amendments

Moved By - Ron Chin

Seconded By - Jonathan Wilkins

Move to adopt the agenda as presented.

Approved

- 2. 2023 CORA Event Schedule (Ronald Chin)
 - See schedule
 - Fort Langley River Run may move due to conflict

- CORA Board passed a resolution that CORA member clubs will not sanction more than 3 race weekends for any particular club per year. This does not restrict any CORA club from holding a race under their own insurance.
- The decision to do this was to free up the race schedule and address conflicts and travelling requirements.

Moved By - Ron Chin

Seconded By - Jonathan Wilkins

CORA Board accepted the 2022 event calendar as presented.

Approved

- 3. Discussion of ongoing and new initiatives
 - a. Coaching Resources (Leanne Stanley)
 - i. Online coaching initiatives via Zoom (Leanne Stanley)
 - Town Hall series has addressed the need to get out information to paddlers
 - Questions to clubs -
 - What do clubs need to help their paddlers progress?
 - What do club coaches need to better run programs?

People on this call please go back to your clubs and ask these questions.

- Do you want a free form discussion
- Monthly Zoom meeting addressing questions brought forward,
- Contractor going to different regions to put on a weekend course for club coaches and provide resources (hands on with coaches themselves) to help paddlers.

Getting the theories for coaches to build from through NCCP is recommended.

There are coaching education grants available through CORA

Suggestions from the group:

- 1) How to write a training program sprint, season, distance. Perhaps CORA can provide a module to provide this. How to adapt a plan to a specific training session, sometimes this depends on the environment and who is attending.
- 2) What types of workouts and what are the benefits? This is available through NCCP, but is general. The suggestions will be geared towards outrigger.
- 3) Perhaps templates available, suggestion of dry land exercises. This will provide ideas to clubs to create their own. A type of menu for practice formats, etc.
- 4) These ideas can be put on the CORA website under "resources".
- 5) Mentorship can we establish a mentorship pool across/between clubs to share information.

- 6) Case conferencing by Zoom that allows club coaches to meet once a month to discuss issues and share information. This will not be recorded or posted. Suggestion of starting with a topic to discuss.
- 7) Suggestion of sterns being invited to a stern's Zoom meeting, which will include a coaching element. This is suggested as most stern's become informal coaches. However, quite often the boat captain doesn't necessarily steer. These meetings must be protected and not posted.
 - b. Junior / Novice support (Marianne Pilon)
 - See attached
 - CORA has agreed to assist Juniors with waiving registration fees for races for CORA cup races and sprints. Depending on the monies remaining in the budget this may increase to more races.
 - c. CORA Off-the-Water Video Conference Series via Zoom (Leanne Stanley)
 - Quality of sessions was excellent this past year
 - Top quality presenters this past year, Cheryl Skribe did a YouTube video on steering.
 - Video forum was also used for Team Canada meetings and Canada started to become leaders. Other countries used this as an example as these forums were posted.
 - Premise behind the sessions was to bring together paddlers which also included paddlers from all over the world.
 - As we move forward to next season, we are looking for topics and who we should ask to present.
 - We are also looking for paddlers to join this committee, Ron Chin, Erik Ages and Leanne Stanley from the CORA Board welcome people to join.
 - d. Communications Website / Facebook / Email (Erik Ages, Graeme Galves)
 - Erik Ages
 - Summaries are posted on the website
 - Primary work over the past year has been security behind the scenes.
 - Email systems, Google drive systems now have added security and appear to be performing well.
 - Graeme Galves
 - We are getting more emails this year now that COVID restrictions have been released.
 - Received over 300 emails, about 150 were SPAM.
 - Most questions were about memberships, insurance and assistance for clubs.
 - e. Insurance Coverage for CORA-sanctioned events (Ronald Chin)

- We are still with BFL Canada as insurance agent. Basically, the same policy.
- You must always contact CORA to get the race insurance certificate, which must cover all parties related to the event.
- CORA paddlers participating in an international race can get a certificate
 of insurance. But you must give it to the race director for the away race to
 ensure that they accept it. Hawaii and Southern California do accept our
 insurance.
- f. Race Committee Race Director's Guidebook (Cindy Wright)
 - A guidebook is being prepared and I hope to complete it soon.
 - A Town Hall session will be held to review.
- g. Discussions, issues or concerns initiated by the members (Ronald Chin)

Moved By - Ron Chin
Seconded By - Cindy Wright
Adjourn this meeting at 1:51PM
Approved

See everyone for 2:00 PM for AGM

Assignee	Action Item	Due Date	Comments
Raised Nov-20	/ 2022 (Technical AGM)		
Town Hall Committee	Race Director's Guidebook to be reviewed at upcoming Town Hall session (2022-11)	In-Progress	Nov-20: Ongoing
Treasurer	CORA Treasurer to provide budget line item to assist Juniors by waiving registration fees for races for CORA cup events (2022-11)	In-Progress	Nov-20: Ongoing



CORA PRESIDENT'S AGM ADDRESS 2022

November 20, 2022

We started 2022 still overshadowed by the Covid pandemic, with the CORA Board having passed a vaccination requirement for all racers prior to the 2021 AGM, which was rescinded as of April 8, 2022. We continued with the popular Town Hall videoconference series and held one last virtual race in the Spring as in-person small boats races took off. Fairway Gorge managed to host its V12 and Sprint races, but the Lower Mainland would have to wait for the CORA Sprint Nationals at Burnaby Lake to get back into the OC6s.

We had a CORA Cup series in 2022! Not as many races as in past years, but we had 3 CORA Cup races – Duel in the Desert, Island Iron and Lotus Iron - plus a successful Distance Nationals in Comox.

After largely 2 years away from distance OC6 racing, the return to 'normalcy' only highlighted one change - the <u>spectacular rise</u> of the unlimited canoe at our long course races. At Duel in the Desert 14 of 15 crews raced in unlimiteds, at Jericho Iron 12 of 19 crews, Island Iron 19 of 22 crews, Lotus Iron 13 of 14 crews and at Comox National 23 of 24 crews. We'll see if that trend continues as more crews return to racing and boat allocations become an issue.

During the Summer, we inducted 6 athletes, coaches and community builders into the Canadian Outrigger Hall of Fame, which recently capped off with a Town Hall videoconference now available on the CORA website and whose detailed biographies are available on the CORA website. We salute you, Andrea, Rosemary, Kamini, Wendy Rae, Don and Grace.

Meanwhile, many Canadian paddlers (including Hall of Famers) had their eyes trained on the London IVF World Sprints in August. Team Canada comprised the 4th largest contingent of paddlers at the event. Star Nation Canoe Club and Geronimo Canoe Club led the Canadian contingent in the opening ceremonies and Star Nation was a resounding success with their songs, dance and stories during the Cultural Night at the Sprints. Team Canada was very successful across all categories, winning 12 gold medals, 13 silver medals and 7 bronze medals, which garnered extra V1 entries for future World Sprints. Congratulations to Leanne, Rob, Cindy, Kamini, Scott, James and Lynda on the IVF Committee and Area Coordinator Rick for their time and dedication in supporting Team Canada.

With IVF Sprint and Distance events every other year, the Committee is already back into high gear with selection for IVF World Distance Championships in Samoa next year.

In the Fall, TSCC Maka Koa held the only CORA-sanctioned race out East, the TIOC - Toronto International Outrigger Challenge, and the local British Columbia 'fun' short course races, the Poker Paddle, Bridges and Wetdashe, returned under great weather.

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'll try to spend more next year even though we didn't this year. Leanne Stanley and the IVF Committee for our successes abroad as we look forward to Samoa. Graeme Galves for his work in CORA's historical review, the Hall of Fame and other awards. We have an ongoing debt of gratitude to Erik Ages and his team at Fairway Gorge for their work in managing the CORA website, video conferencing and other technical aspects of our operations. Scott Borle and Tony Vukasovic, who have stepped down as Directors, we thank them for their contributions to the Board. And finally, Valerie Simmons, who served as our Corporate Secretary for the past year and contributed to our present and historical view from the East, is stepping down as Director as of today, and she will be missed.

Regards,

Ronald Chin President



Treasurer's report to the Annual General Meeting. November 20, 2022

I am pleased to present the statement of operations – with a draft budget – to this meeting. As in recent years, the position that you see is for the 10 months up to the end of October this year. The full previous year is shadowed on the right of each page.

First, you will note that we are running well within the budget. It has been a stated aim of the Board to stimulate racing, post-Covid, by using the funds held by CORA, rather than just retaining them. As you can see, this means that in 2022, we have already spent over \$22,000 more than our income.

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Moving to the Income Statement for the General account.

The variance in income stems from the reduced membership, with that shortfall representing almost 200 adult, 70 junior, 100 day, and 9 club memberships. As Covid is normalised, we expect that all clubs will be working hard to increase their memberships and race attendance, and that we will see CORA memberships return to previous levels, with the associated increase in income.

Turning to the expenses, there are a few big-ticket items that did not get off the ground this year in the way that the budget had provided for. We have discussed, again and at some length, the merit of these items as we prepared the draft budget for 2023. Following today's meeting, the budget will be finalised and approved at the December board meeting.

One significant item was allowed to greatly exceed its budget. The National Sprint Championships held in May were a great paddling success, and I certainly hope they continue. Having re-started the Sprint Championships, the CORA board will pass the hosting in future years back to local clubs – supported by a fixed grant from the General Account. The provision of Grants – with their carefully worded eligibility criteria – is a transparent way by which CORA can allocate and control assistance to programs.

One such program receiving support, is the participation of Canadian paddlers in the Annual IVF championships. The two-year program to the 2022 Sprint Championships in London was supported by a grant of \$5,000, and working with our IVF committee – the program exactly broke even. The next IVF championships – Samoa 2023 – will receive a similar grant and will be carefully managed to see that it also breaks even.

Questions and suggestions are always welcomed but if none Then that's it from me. Thank you

Respectfully submitted, Jonathan Wilkins. Treasurer. November 20, 2022



Financial Statements of

CANADIAN OUTRIGGER RACING ASSOCIATION

For the 10 months to October 31, 2022

And for the year to December 31, 2021

(Unaudited)

CANADIAN OUTRIGGER RACING ASSOCIATION

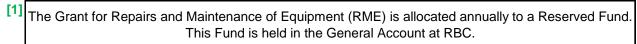
General Account

Balance Sheet (unaudited) as at October 31, 2022

		Reserved Funds		
	General	RME	Total	2021-12-31
ASSETS	\$	\$	\$	\$
Cash at RBC	59,649	[1] 16,284	75,933	96,352
Insurance pre-paid	-		-	11,285
Government Funds - ITC due	247		247	385
Term Investments	10,000	[2]	10,000	-
TOTAL ASSETS	69,896	16,284	86,180	108,022
LIABILITIES				
Flow-thru prepaid memberships	-		-	4,018
Government Funds (GST payable)	3,499		3,499	3,191
Accrued Liabilities (Retained earnings)	66,396	16,284	82,681	100,813
NET ASSETS	69,896	16,284	86,180	108,022

Jonathan Wilkins

Director



Term Investment
GIC to guarantee Credit Card. Non-Red 2yr GIC to 6/10/24 @2.8%

CANADIAN OUTRIGGER RACING ASSOCIATION

Statement of Operations - General Account

For the period to October 31, 2022

	Total y-t-d		Budget 2022	Variance	Actual 2021
REVENUES (Net of GST)	\$		\$	\$	\$
Membership - Annual Adult	34,990		40,000	(5,010)	27,982
Membership - Annual Junior	573		1,200	(627)	271
Membership - One Day Adult	3,623		4,500	(877)	2,186
Membership - One Day Junior	185		300	(115)	4
Club Fees	5,257		6,500	(1,243)	4,699
Entries - National Sprint (net GST & Sq fees)	7,419	#	-	7,419	·
Other	-		-	-	609
Input Tax Credit (GST Refund)	247		200	47	268
TOTAL REVENUES	52,295		52,700	(405)	36,020
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EXPENSES (Net of GST)	\$		\$	\$	\$
Grant - National Team development	5,000		5,000	-	-
Grant - Repair, Maintenance, Equipment	15,000		15,000	-	5,986
Grant - Clinic	1,880		4,000	(2,120)	-
Grant - Coaching Education	-		3,000	(3,000)	216
Grant - Regional Coach the Coaches	-		5,000	(5,000)	-
Grant - Canoe Trailering	5,651		10,000	(4,349)	1,975
Grant - National Distance - Hosting	2,000		2,000	-	-
Grant - National Distance - Medals	910		1,000	(90)	-
Grant - National Distance - Food & Ent	450		1,500	(1,050)	
Grant - National Sprint - Hosting	15,023	#	3,000	12,023	-
Grant - National Sprint - Boat Rental/Cartage	1,713		1,500	213	-
CORA Cup West - hosting & prize. 4 x \$800	3,144		3,200	(56)	
CORA Cup East - hosting & prize. 2 x \$800	800		1,600	(800)	2,800
CORA Cup - Medals	4,614		2,000	2,614	
Prizes for Novice/Junior. Eg Paddle/PFD	-		1,600	(1,600)	
Bank Charges - RBC	73		100	(27)	95
Bank Charges - Square	2,709		2,500	209	2,008
Town Halls - Guest Expenses	-		1,000	(1,000)	41
Town Halls - Zoom licences	1,499		1,500	(1)	1,258
Hall of Fame plaques & postage	406		250	156	883
College Student Stipends	-		3,000	(3,000)	
IVF Membership & Expenses	327		1,400	(1,073)	389
Strategic Planning - Visioning - Consultation	-		10,000	(10,000)	-
AGM Expenses	-		5,000	(5,000)	3,152
Insurance	11,641		12,000	(359)	10,180
Legal and Accounting	-		700	(700)	404
Office, Admin & Telephone	1,150		400	750	679
Website Operation	664		1,000	(336)	832
Website Enhancement	-		1,200	(1,200)	-
Social Media Advertising	-		1,200	(1,200)	-
Translation Services	-		1,000	(1,000)	-
Webscorer Licence- Winter Series	-		300	(300)	n/a
	74,653		101,950	(27,297)	30,899
Excess/(Deficiency) Revenue over Expenses	(22,358)		(49,250)	26,892	5,121

CANADIAN OUTRIGGER RACING ASSOCIATION

IVF Account

Balance Sheet (unaudited) as at October 31, 2022

	Reserved	Reserved		
	funds	funds		
	London 2022	Samoa 2023	Total	2021-12-31
ASSETS	\$	\$	\$	
Cash at RBC	(432) [1]	8,275 [2]	7,843	17,060
Cash at Square	-	-	-	-
Government Funds - ITC due	201	-	201	
Accounts receivable				
 Final Payments (31 pax @ \$15) 	465		465	
- Hat sales	-		-	-
- Entry fees	-		-	
TOTAL ASSETS	234	8,275	8,509	17,060
LIABILITIES				
Accounts Payable	-	-	-	-
Government Funds (GST payable)	64	-	64	-
Contingency fee to IFV	-		-	
Accrued Liabilities	170	8,275	8,445	17,060
NET ASSETS	234	8,275	8,509	17,060
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Jonathan Wilkins

Director

[1] Following the completion of the London 2022 event, the remaining balance in the London 2022 Sprint Account will be transferred to, and reserved in, the Hilo 2024 Sprint Account.

Following the cancellation of the Samoa 2021 event, the remaining balance in the Samoa 2021 Sprint Account was transferred to, and reserved in, the Samoa 2023 Sprint Account.

MEMORANDUM

To: CORA Board From: Ronald Chin

Re: Grants Summary for 2022 Date: November 19, 2022

The following is a summary of the 2022 CORA Grants to date.

2022 CLINIC GRANTS						
	Club	<u>Topic</u>	Amount	<u>Status</u>		
1.	Haunani Outrigger Club	Stroke Mechanics	\$600.00	Approved May 31, 2022. Paid by e-transfer August 25, 2022		
2.	Haunani Outrigger Club Intro to Crew Paddling		\$600.00	Approved May 31, 2022. Paid by e-transfer August 25, 2022		
3.	Haunani Outrigger Club Crew Mechanics		\$600.00	Approved May 31, 2022. Paid by e-transfer August 25, 2022		
4.	Jericho Paddling Club OC6 / OC1 technique		0.00	Application received on October 2, 2022 after Clinic was held on September 17 & 18, 2022. Not Approved October 5, 2022.		
TOTAL CLINIC GRANTS PAID						
	<u>2</u>	2022 COACHING EDUCATI	ON GRANTS	<u>s</u>		
	<u>Club</u>	Coach / Course	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Status</u>		
1.	n/a	n/a	0.00	n/a		
	TOTAL EDUCATION GR	ANTS PAID	0.00			
2022 TOWN HALL GUEST GRANTS						
	Gu	<u>iest</u>	Amount	<u>Status</u>		
1.	n	/a	0.00	n/a		
C	CLINIC, COACHING EDUCATION & TOWN HALL GUEST COMBINED TOTAL					

2022 Clinic Grant Budget Allocation: \$4,000.00

2022 Coaching Education Grant Budget Allocation: \$3,000.00

2022 Town Hall Guests Budget Allocation: \$1000.00

	2022 NATIONALS HOSTING GRANTS						
	<u>Club</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Status</u>			
1.	FVPC	CORA Sprint Nationals (trailering)	\$238.00	Paid			
2.	Pacific Reach	CORA Sprint Nationals (trailering)	\$74.76	Paid			
3.	FLCC	CORA Sprint Nationals (canoe loan)	\$400.00	Paid by e-transfer October 26, 2022.			
4.	VOS	CORA Sprint Nationals (canoe loan)	\$400.00	Paid by e-transfer October 26, 2022.			
5.	FVPC	CORA Sprint Nationals (canoe loan)	\$400.00	Paid by e-transfer October 26, 2022.			
6.	FCRCC	CORA Sprint Nationals (canoe loan)	\$200.00	Paid by e-transfer October 26, 2022.			
7.	CVCRC	CORA Distance Nationals (Hosting)	\$2000.00	Paid by e-transfer October 28, 2022.			
8.	CVCRC	CORA Distance Nationals (Medals)	\$910.01	Paid by e-transfer October 28, 2022.			
9.	CVCRC	CORA Distance Nationals (Food & Entertainment)	\$450.00	Paid by e-transfer October 28, 2022.			
	NATIONALS	HOSTING TOTAL PAID	\$5072.77				

2022 Nationals (Distance) Hosting Budget Allocation: \$2,000.00 2022 Nationals (Distance) Medals Budget Allocation: \$1,000.00

2022 Nationals (Distance) Food & Entertainment Budget Allocation: \$1,500.00

2022 Nationals (Sprint) Hosting Budget Allocation: \$3,000.00 2022 Nationals (Sprint) Boat Rental Budget Allocation: \$1,500.00

	2022 CORA CUP DRAW PRIZE AWARDS GRANTS							
	<u>Club</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Status</u>				
	CORA CUP West							
1.	PRCC	Duel in Desert	\$800.00	Paid by e-transfer May 11, 2022.				
2.	Latitude 48	Island Iron	\$800.00	Paid by e-transfer June 20, 2022.				
3.	Graeme Galves for Lotus	Lotus Iron	\$800.00	Paid by e-transfer July 2022.				
4.	Comox	Comox Nationals	\$721.00	Paid by e-transfer September 2022.				
	Eastern Canada Race							
1.	TSCC Maka Koa	TIOC	\$800.00	Paid by e-transfer Sept 1, 2022.				
	CORA CUP AW	ARDS TOTAL PAID	\$800.00					

2022 CORA Cup West – Hosting & prizing (4 x \$800) 2022 CORA Cup East – Hosting & prizing (4 x \$800)

	2022 TRAVEL GRANTS						
	<u>Club</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Status</u>			
1.	Pacific Reach	Duel in Desert	\$465.00	Paid by e-transfer May 29, 2022.			
2.	Calgary	Duel in Desert	\$650.00	Paid by e-transfer May 29, 2022.			
3.	FGPC	Jericho Iron	\$650.00	Paid by e-transfer June 2, 2022			
4.	Pacific Reach	Island Iron	\$650.00	Paid by e-transfer June 8, 2022			
5.	FCRCC	Island Iron	\$650.00	Paid by e-transfer July 28, 2022			
6.	L48	Lotus Iron	\$700.00	Paid by e-transfer July 28, 2022			
7.	FGPC	Lotus Iron	\$581.00	Paid by e-transfer August 3, 2022			
8.	L48	Comox Nationals	\$323.40	Paid by e-transfer Sept 14, 2022.			
9.	Pacific Reach	Comox Nationals	\$700.00	Paid by e-transfer Sept 20, 2022.			
10.	FGPC	Comox Nationals	\$282.00	Paid by e-transfer Sept 20, 2022.			
	TOTA	AL PAID	\$5651.40				

2022 Travel Grant Budget Allocation: \$10,000.00

	2022 RME GRANTS					
	<u>Club</u>	Subject Matter	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Status</u>		
		2022 Eligible Clubs RN	/IE Application	ons		
1.	Latitude 48	Dock Repairs	\$1000.00	Approved March 1, 2022. Paid by e-transfer March 3, 2022		
2.	FGPC	Dock repairs	\$1000.00	Approved March 24, 2022. Paid by e-transfer March 27, 2022		
3.	Sproat Lake	PFDs, fenders, steering blades and miscellaneous maintenance and repair items.	\$1000.00	Approved June 1, 2022 Paid by e-transfer Sept 7, 2022.		
4.	VYPC	Electric outboard engine	\$1000.00	Approved July 6, 2022. Paid by e-transfer July 9, 2022		
5.	FLCC	OC6 repairs, 2 x OC1 rudders and miscellaneous.	\$1000.00	Approved August 3, 2022. Paid by e-transfer Sept 20, 2022.		
6.	PRCC	OC1 repairs, racing buoy repairs, safety equipment, boathouse lock rekeying, OC2 rudder.	\$1000.00	Approved October 5, 2022. Paid by e-transfer November 2, 2022.		
7.	Jericho Paddling Club	OC1 and OC6 repairs	\$1000.00	Approved November 2, 2022. Paid by e-transfer November 9, 2022.		
	ELIGIBLE 2022 GR	ANTS APPROVED OR PAID	\$7000.00			
		2022 Open Call RME	Application	ıs		
8.	CVCRC	OC6 Spray Skirt Repair	\$1000.00	Approved November 19, 2022.		
9.	Lotus	OC1/OC2/ama storage racks, trailer & dolly maintenance, epoxy resin supplies	\$856.42	Approved November 19, 2022.		
10.	NOPC	OC4 repairs (hull & ama)	\$1000.00	Approved November 19, 2022.		
11.	Leduc	OC6 repair and maintenance	\$595.00	Approved November 19, 2022.		
12.	Pearson College	Epoxy resin supplies, paddles and PFDs	\$1000.00	Approved November 19, 2022.		
13.	Prince Rupert	OC4 and OC6 repairs, tires and rims for OC6 trailer	\$741.74	Approved November 19, 2022.		
14.	VOS	OC1 repairs, OC6 iako refinishing, OC1/OC2/OC6 ama repairs	\$1000.00 Approved November 19, 2022.			
15.	FCRCC	OC6 trailer repairs	\$1000.00	Approved November 19, 2022.		
16.	TSCC Maka Koa	OC2 repairs and dock and facilities repairs	\$1000.00	Approved November 19, 2022.		
	OPEN CALL	GRANTS PROPOSED	\$8193.16			
	TOTAL PROPOS	ED, APPROVED OR PAID	\$15,193.16			

2022 RME Grant Budget Allocation: \$15,000.00

plus \$9013.63 carried forward into RME Protected Fund from past years

2022 TOTAL GRANTS SUMMARY								
	Budgeted Paid or Approved Balance							
Clinic Grants	\$4,000.00	\$1,800.00						
Coaching Education Grants	\$3,000.00	0.00						
Town Hall Guests	\$1,000.00	0.00						
Nationals Hosting Grants	\$9,000.00	\$5,072.77						
CORA Cup Awards	\$6,800.00	\$3,921.00						
Travel Grants	\$10,000.00	\$5,651.40						
RME Grants	\$15,000.00	\$15,193.16						
TOTALS	\$48,800.00	\$31638.33						

CORA Membership Report 2022

CORA Club	2019	2020	2021	2022
Aumakua - Club Nautique (New)	n/a	n/a	n/a	12
Calgary Canoe Club	36	19	40	27
Club Bon Accueil	6	4	11	3
Club de Outrigger Montreal	27	6	3	dnr*
Comox Valley Canoe Racing Club	49	45	49	55
Delta Outrigger Kanu Association	19	17	19	12
Dragon Zone Paddle Club	102	130	1	dnr*
Fairway Gorge Paddling Club	105	94	42	76
False Creek Racing Canoe Club	234	158	103	148
Fort Langley Canoe Club	104	96	48	74
Fraser Valley Paddling Club	52	26	17	17
Gibsons Paddle Club	16	4	13	16
Haunani Outrigger Club	n/a	14	26	19
Jericho Paddling Club	39	35	46	67
Kelowna Paddle Centre	58	20	17	17
Ku'oko'a Outrigger (New)	n/a	n/a	n/a	8
Latitude 48 Paddling Club	65	66	86	94
Lotus Sports Club	58	53	45	64
Maple Bay Ocean Canoe Club	32	17	22	23
Nanaimo Ocean Paddling Club	116	121	126	145
Pacific Reach Paddling Club	34	32	29	23
Pearson College	n/a	23	2	18
Pemberton Canoe Association	2	1	2	3
Penticton Racing Canoe Club	66	19	28	43
Powell River OC Society	29	25	21	18
Prince Rupert Outrigger Association	23	13	14	18
River Runners (New)	n/a	n/a	n/a	15
Shuswap Association for Paddling	0	0	0	1
Sproat Lake Canoe Club	39	35	38	41
Star Nation Canoe Club (New)	n/a	n/a	n/a	14
Sunnyside Paddling Club	n/a	n/a	2	3
TSCC Maka Koa Outrigger	46	9	25	71
Thunder Bay Outrigger	19	2	0	2
Vancouver Ocean Sports	24	8	4	9
Vernon Paddling Centre	19	8	9	13
Victoria Canoe and Kayak Club	34	13	7	13
Victoria Youth Paddling Club	10	7	11	7
Wailua Outrigger Canoe Club	35	17	29	28
Other Clubs	62	33	26	37
Unaffiliated	73	44	53	86

Age Division	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Junior	74	114	72	35	67
Open	201	318	211	108	156
Masters 40+	248	292	159	151	187
Masters 50+	409	439	299	241	308
Masters 60+	256	482	386	355	418
Masters 70+	125	135	152	160	200

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	
2022	1336	

2022 Gender		
Female	788	
Male	545	
Other	3	

2022 Single Event Memberships		
Adult	313	
Junior	30	

^{*}dnr - did not renew club membership in 2022



CORA OUTBOUND COMMUNICATIONS REPORT (AGM) 2022

OVERVIEW

CORA'S board and supporting volunteers worked to manage the provincial, national and international uncertainties and rapid changes that faced regions and clubs as well as local and international races during the return-to-sport challenges of 2022.

SOCIAL MEDIA & INTERACTIVE BROADCASTING

CORA engaged with members and non-members, both within and beyond Canada, through a variety of interactive townhall and clinic sessions over the year. These sessions continue to meet a number of objectives, including keeping our members connected and communicating with each other through discussions relevant to our sport.

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

COMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE

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) 2022

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 / Trailering / 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 2 Board Members who receive notifications when messages flow into the CORA general enquiries email address. The COVID Pandemic of 2020/2021/2022 substantially reduced the historical volume of inbound messages. Return To Sport in early 2022 and easing of travel / gathering restrictions led to a significant reduction in COVID related enquiries and a notable increase in typical pre-Pandemic enquiries.

CORA EMAIL INBOX 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) year, the number of non-COVID enquiries would be double / triple / quadruple the number of COVID year enquiries. The table below is sorted by number of messages by Enquiry Category Count (numerical descending) and then Enquiry Category (alphabetical ascending).

2021 was a quiet year with just under 100 CORA general enquiries. As per the **CORA Email Inbox Enquiries By Category** table below, in 2022 there were over triple that number (346) of CORA general enquiries. However, 150 of those CORA general enquiries were SPAM that were checked and moved to a SPAM folder for reference.

The most notable aspect of these CORA Email Inbox Enquiries By Category table is that the top 3 requested Categories were for information on:

- Memberships 16% of Non-SPAM
- Insurance 14% of Non-SPAM
- Clubs 12% of Non-SPAM

Status	Category	Count	Pct
Legit	Membership - Individual / Club Membership Status; Refunds; Change Club	32	16%
	Affiliation; Hard-Copy Forms; Benefits of Individual / Club Membership; Annual or		
	Day Membership; etc.		
Legit	Insurance - Proof of Insurance Coverage for facilities / events / clubs / crews /	27	14%
	paddlers; What does CORA Insurance cover; Club guests covered; etc.		
Legit	Clubs - How to change my club affiliation (amalgamation; relocation); Club not in list	24	12%
	of Member Clubs; Club Contact Person; Editing Club Event dates on CORA Race		
	Calendar; Need CORA Membership List; Our Club in "Good Standing"; How to start		
	up a new club; Assistance in starting up a new club; Out-of-town paddlers		
	connecting with local clubs; How to promote a club's CORA Sanctioned events; etc.		
Legit	Forums - How to access Forums; How to edit / delete Forum topic; Forum password	21	11%
	reset; etc.		
Legit	Resources - Need canoe repairs; Need canoe parts; Need canoe assistance (rigging;	19	10%
	hulis); Need international races info; Need Board Nomination Form; etc.		
Legit	Racing - Need small-boat number decals; Need a paddler / crew / canoe; Need proof	17	9%
	of water-changes race current experience; Need help with registration issues; CORA		
	Sprints / Distance Race Rules; CORA Sanctioned Event details; etc.		
Legit	Results - Please post race results; How to find race results; etc.	15	8%
Legit	Grants - Where to find Grant applications; Types of Grants available; Eligibility for	12	6%
	Grants; Other financial assistance available; etc.		
Legit	IVF - IVF World Distance Selection Process; IVF World Sprints Selection Process;	11	6%
	Where to find IVF Results; Where to find IVF Event information; Team Canada & IVF		
	Fees; etc.		
Legit	Town Halls - How to find Forum topic / guest speaker; How to request Town Halll	9	5%
	topic; etc.		
Legit	Safety - Submit Safety Incidents; How to submit Safety Plan; CORA Sanctioned Event	5	3%
	Safety Requirements; etc.		
Legit	Awards - Nomination Forms; etc.	4	2%
Legit	Historical - How to submit Club / Paddler / Canoe historical contributions; etc.	2	1%
SPAM	Marketing - phishing (Offers to improve our website with them)	54	N/A
SPAM	Banking - phishing (Offers to manage funds with them)	47	N/A
SPAM	Racing – phishing (Offers to race with them)	28	N/A
SPAM	Financial - phishing (Offers to move cash / money / funds with them)	11	N/A
SPAM	Porn - phishing (Offers to have fun with them)	6	N/A

CORA Email Inbox Enquiries By Category

RECOMMENDATIONS (IDEAS CARRIED FORWARD FROM 2021/2022)

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 Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) to commonly asked questions.**

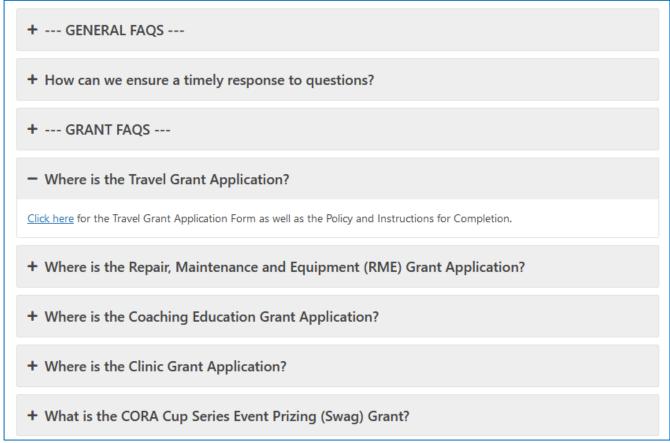
CORA Board had an Action Item from 2021/2022 to add FAQ functionality to the CORA website. The CORA Communications Officers investigated several options for WordPress FAQ capability (plugins) for the CORA website in early 2022. CORA installed a simple WordPress Accordion FAQ plugin on the CORA website in Mar-2022. This WordPress Accordion FAQ plugin was found to be very robust and was used for the 2022 CORA Burnaby Lake Sprints to distribute answers and resources in a timely manner and to a broad audience in response to a huge volume of enquires about this end-of-April 2022 CORA managed 2-day event.



Sample of Canadian 2022 OC Sprints Championships FAQ

The successful experiment with this WordPress Accordion FAQ plugin has led to these outcomes:

- A review of the 100's of CORA Contact Us emails for the past 12 months has resulted in a set of very Frequently Asked Questions and standard answers / responses provided.
- There will be a new CORA General FAQ published to the CORA website in early December 2022 with FAQs organized by Grants, Membership, Insurance, Safety, Clubs, IVF, Forums, Town Halls, Results, Racing, Resources, Awards, Historical and other categories.
- Most of the FAQ Answers will contain links to pages / sections / forms on the CORA website.



Sample of CORA General FAQs

There are several goals for this initiative::

- Provide Self-Service for CORA website visitors.
- Provide knowledge transfer for the next CORA Inbound Communications Officer as there have been over 6
 years worth of enquiries from CORA website visitors accumulating in the CORA Email Inbox of the current
 CORA Inbound Communications Officer.

2022 CORA Off-the-Water Forum Report

In 2020/21, CORA began hosting online video forums to help bring together paddlers during the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions. In that first season, we hosted 14 sessions. This past year we didn't host as many but we had some significant content from amazing presenters.

Recordings of all the sessions are posted on the CORA website and CORA YouTube channeI.

- Recognition East to West CORA Hall of Fame
- 2022 IVF World Sprints Team Meetings 1&2
- Sprint Technique, Tactics and Training
- Intermediate Steering Technique



Though session attendance ranged from a low of 25 to a high of 100+, all viewers and participants learned from the presenters and from one another. We are beyond grateful to our presenters Vesna Radonich, and Cheryl Skribe for donating their time to share their expertise.

The YouTube recordings of the Sprint Team Meetings were viewed by Sprint participants from other countries who let us know that the information we shared with Team Canada was a huge benefit to them as they were preparing for London.

As we are already one session into Season 3 of CORA Off The Water, we are looking to carry on having paddlers share with paddlers so that together we all get better. We were treated to a great conversation on Outrigger Crew Selection with Dave Krueger, Jill Schooler, and Leanne Stanley just a few weeks ago. We are actively looking for session ideas and presenters so if you have any suggestions or recommendations, please let us know!

We are losing Val Simmons from our committee so are looking for paddlers wishing to contribute to the planning and organization of these sessions.

The committee of Ron Chin, Erik Ages, Leanne Stanley are wanting to hear from you for topics and ideas for the 2022/23 season of Off the Water.

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ron@canadianoutrigger.ca erik@canadianoutrigger.ca 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.

NOTE: This is the generic "Secretary Report" copied/pasted every year. Please see the Business Continuity Report that provides a more thorough summary of all the efforts put in place for the purposes of "Business Continuity" where the current CORA Board has gone to great lengths during this COVID Pandemic hiatus to document and record as much as possible of this "institutional knowledge" so as to ensure Business Continuity and smooth transition as CORA Board Members complete their "tour of duty" and hand-off duties to the next generation.



CORA BUSINESS CONTINUITY REPORT (AGM) 2022

OVERVIEW

The Business Continuity Report for 2022 has been substantially revamped from the Business Continuity Report of previous years. This Business Continuity Report has usually served as a checklist of what the CORA Secretary needs to ensure that the CORA Board does leading up to and moving forward from the AGM signifying the transition from ending of the current year to beginning of the coming year.

There is substantial "institutional knowledge" carried by each of the CORA Board Members with regards to tasks related to their duties such as Grants, Financial, Secretarial, Insurance, Membership, IVF, Town Halls / Education, Event Scheduling, Website Administration, Information Systems Security, Awards, and Racing.

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RECRUITMENT

The CORA Board contingent has varied over the years and presently provides for 15 Board Members with each Board Member asked to commit to a 3-year term. There is a set of CORA Board Members who have served multiple 3-year terms and accumulated a wealth of "institutional knowledge". Serving on the CORA Board as a Director and/or Committee Member is an opportunity to share new ideas and make contributions to the paddling community. The CORA Board has made requests via direct email to CORA Club Reps and CORA website posts for individuals from every club from all across the country to come forward and take on a role with the CORA Board in the coming years. The CORA Board will continue these recruiting efforts to bring on board new voices and provide knowledge transfer to support the membership.

KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER (LATEST INITIATIVES)

- CORA has compiled a <u>Properties Registry</u> to track the whereabouts of all CORA "Properties" such as the Peter Forand Trophy, the Hugh Town Trophy, the CORA Weight Scale, the CORA Feather Banners, 2022 CORA Cup Series Medals, and CORA Small-Boat Number Decals, so that CORA Board Members know exactly where to find each of these Properties.
- CORA has compiled a <u>Contacts Registry</u> for all Vendors / sponsors that have provided goods and services as well as all Authorities (Burnaby; Fortis; Burnaby Lake Rowing Club; etc.) so as to expedite locating contact information for these parties in the future.
- CORA has compiled a <u>Small-Boat Number Decal Registry</u> so that ordering new Small-Boat Number Decals is
 just a matter of checking for the sequence of the last 100 pairs of small-boat numbers and finding contact
 information for the vendor.
- CORA has compiled a <u>Burnaby Lake Sprints Registry</u>. The CORA Board has kept a record of every piece of documentation and communication related to hosting the Burnaby Lake Sprints. The intent of this <u>Burnaby Lake Sprints Registry</u> is to provide a step-by step guide for the CORA Board or any CORA Club that might be interested in hosting this event at the Burnaby Lake Rowing Venue in the future. The information that was collected includes documents for: Planning; Contacts; Vendors; Sponsors; Budgets; Applications; Insurance;

- Contracts; Communication; Safety; Waivers; Scheduling; Registrations; Refunds; Lessons Learned; Awards; Medals; Banners; Jerseys; Invoices; Receipts; Claims; Course; Rules; Protests; Venue; Visuals.
- CORA has compiled a <u>CORA Secretary Guide</u> in early 2022 to provide each incoming CORA Secretary with
 an inventory and guidance on every task that the CORA Secretary needs to perform each month as well as
 before / after the AGM.
- CORA has compiled a <u>CORA General FAQ</u> to provide a set of answers / responses to the 100's of Frequently Asked Questions that arrive every year at the CORA Email Inbox. This is noted in the CORA Inbound Enquiries Report (AGM) 2022.
- CORA has continued to compile a <u>Canoe Registry</u> over the course of 2020/2021/2022. This catalogue has details for the club, vendor, model, age, colour, weight, name, identifying markings, and lineage of every "big-boat" (OC6 / OC4) in Canada. This is referenced in the CORA Canoe Registry Report (AGM) 2022.
- CORA has continued to compile a <u>Canoe Photo Registry</u> over the course of 2020/2021/2022. This catalogue has 1-2 photos for every "big-boat" (OC6 / OC4) in Canada so as to provide a visual catalogue to support the Canoe Registry. This is noted in the CORA Canoe Registry Report (AGM) 2022.

GOOGLE SHARED DRIVE STRUCTURE (ONGOING INITIATIVE)

CORA Board Members periodically go through the CORA Google Shared Drive to rename folders and organize files into "meaningful" folders. The CORA Google Shared Drive structure has organically taken a functional / historical hierarchy where the convention has been high-level topic (Meetings / Incorporation / Insurance / IVF / Memberships / Races) and then year (2018/2019/2020/2021/2022) and then specific documents within that topic / year.

Conventions have been noted for creating / naming functional / historical folders and adding specific documents within those folders in a Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) spreadsheet.

WEBSITE STRUCTURE (ONGOING INITIATIVE)

The CORA Website structure has systematically taken a functional / historical hierarchy where the convention has been high-level topic (Race Results / Minutes) and then year / month (2000-2021) where applicable and then specific pages within that topic / year to a lesser extent, with a focus on the current season.

Conventions have been noted for creating and naming functional / historical levels and adding specific pages within those folders in a Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) spreadsheet.

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES (SOP) SPREADSHEET (ONGOING INITIATIVE)

Many yearly / monthly / periodic tasks from the CORA Google Shared Drive structure and the CORA website and the Business Continuity Checklist have been captured into a Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) spreadsheet. This Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) spreadsheet does not contain tasks that do not require interaction with any of the CORA information systems (CORA Website; CORA Facebook; Membership DB; Gmail; Calendar; Meet; Chat; Drive; Docs; Sheets; Slides; Forms). This document contains six columns:

- Done (Task completed year or month)
- Topic (Category for the task such as AGM or Financials)
- When / Event (Trigger for the task such as end-of-month or end-of-year)
- Where (Place for the task such as Google Shared Drive or Website)
- Who / Responsible (Owner such as Web Admin or Grants Officer)
- How / Tasks (One or more tasks to be completed by the Owner when the Event happens)

This Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) Google Sheet on the Google Shared Drive should provide CORA Board Members with guidance on yearly / monthly / periodic tasks to be addressed. The Google Sheet can be sorted / searched on any column.

See CORA Business Continuity To-Do-List 2022-Nov Google Sheet: https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/18TofzHk07Bb00Yk4NVLd6bP02GzRGBDE 3XUy4L-liY/edit#gid=0

INFORMATION SYSTEMS SECURITY (ONGOING INITIATIVE)

The adoption of Google Workspace (formerly G Suite) with Gmail, Calendar, Meet, Chat, Drive, Docs, Sheets, Slides, and Forms has reduced the CORA Board's reliance on Word / Excel / PDF files being stored on personal computer drives and shared via email. The migration to a new CORA website with many self-service capabilities and distributed access amongst the CORA Board members has also reduced the workload on the CORA Board. However, each of these technology advancements has increased the need for governance and maintenance to minimize disorder and establish best practice protocols.

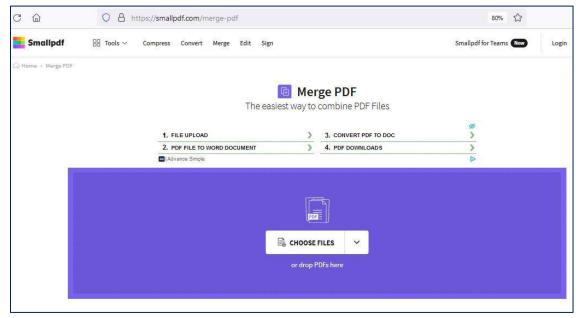
The CORA Website Administrators conduct periodic and periodic updates to safeguard the CORA information systems and permissions structure:

- A security audit is conducted after each AGM as Board Members are offboarded / onboarded for the coming year to ensure timely provision / removal of permissions and update the Business Continuity Checklist.
- Monthly Action Items are raised to ensure security measures are conducted periodically as Board Members
 are offboarded / onboarded during the current year to ensure timely provision / removal of permissions
 and update the Business Continuity Checklist.

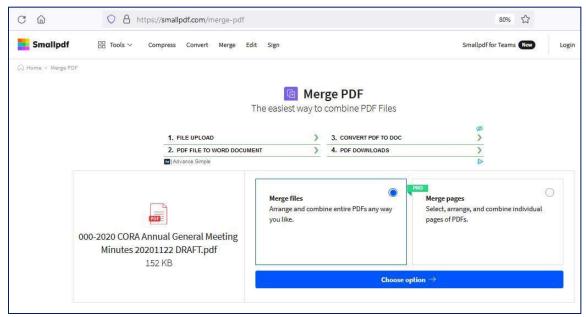
TECHNICAL-AGM AND AGM MINUTES & REPORTS CONSOLIDATION

SmallPDF (https://smallpdf.com/) is software that simplifies the merging of multiple files (PDFs) such as Technical AGM Minutes or AGM Minutes with multiple Reports. The tool also has a compression feature to reduce the size of very large PDFs by 50-75%. A user gets a maximum of 2 Merge tasks per day. (Your two free daily tasks are up. You get 2 free tasks a day with Smallpdf. Get unlimited access with a 7-day free trial.) This should be adequate for CORA Annual Meetings Minutes / Reports. This overview and accompanying screenshots have been included in the interests of Business Continuity so that each successive CORA Secretary has the technical tools to fulfill their responsibilities.

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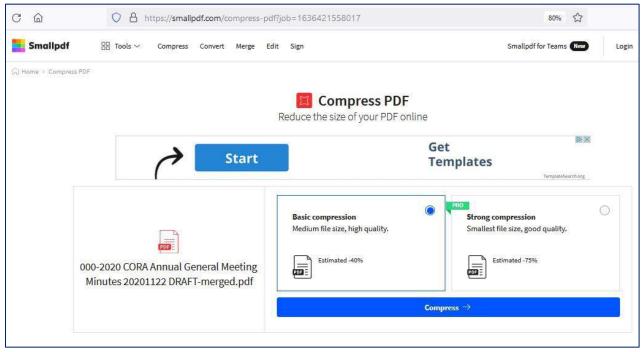
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Since 2020 COVID restrictions, a little more strict for junior paddlers, have made it difficult for team paddling on the water. However, with the lessening of restrictions juniors once again enjoyed team paddling and in particular racing. This past year has seen many junior teams back on the water training and also competing. It is great to see so many juniors back on the water and enjoying this amazing sport of paddling.

It was nice to see that the BC Summer Games now includes outrigger paddling as one of the events.

CORA has sent out a survey to all clubs asking:

- 1) If clubs had junior programs already in place
- 2) Had juniors in their clubs
- 3) Were they interested in starting a dialogue to see how CORA can assist junior clubs with:
 - a. growth
 - b. on water skills
 - c. clinics
 - d. coaching
 - e. connecting with other clubs with juniors

CORA has also set aside monies in the budget for the purchase of new outrigger paddles as prizes for junior paddlers who met the criteria to receive a new paddle.

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) Race reduction fee for junior paddlers attending CORA races, this may continue into other races depending on the budget.

We are fortunate to have several clubs in BC that have juniors or are dedicated junior clubs.

Canadian Outrigger Racing Association



IVF Committee



2022 CORA AGM IVF Director Report

SPRINTS – London 2022:

The 2022 IVF Va'a World Sprint Championships were held August 7 to 16th at Dorney Lake, Windsor, England.

See the attached Area Coordinator report for an overview of the event.

DISTANCE - Samoa 2023:

The World Va'a Distance Championships in Samoa which were postponed from 2021 to 2023 are scheduled for August 10-18th, 2023. CORA is already in the selection process. Trials were held October 15/16th, 2022 in Vancouver, BC. We had a record number of members turn out for trials this cycle. As such, the CORA IVF Committee has had to plan two additional OC6 evaluation camps to ensure that paddlers have adequate opportunities to show their abilities to coaches.

SPRINTS - Hilo 2024

Planning is already taking place within the CORA IVF committee for the Team Canada selection in preparation for Hilo Sprints 2024. Selection documents are anticipated to be published in the spring of 2023 with the plans for the initial trials to be held in Calgary on September 16/17, 2023.

Paddlers interested in contesting for Team Canada 2024 should watch the CORA website for team selection information for Spring 2023.

IVF NEWS:

The IVF added Masters 75+ and Masters 80+ to the Sprint rules for the 2022 World Sprints. We are looking forward to the IVF AGM on December 10th, 2022 to learn if the Distance rules are being updated to reflect this as well. Stay tuned to the CORA website and the IVF website for information.

Presented by: Leanne Stanley – CORA IVF Director

Area Coordinators' Report to CORA on Canada's Performance at the IVF World Sprints 2022

Competition for the 2022 IVF Va'a Sprint Championships ran from Wednesday, August 10th until Tuesday, August 16th. There were two constants over the course of the week: first, the weather was hot and dry; second, Canadians were very successful across all categories. Results are listed by event further below in this document. Although the majority of Canada's paddlers represent the Lower Mainland/Fraser Valley region, paddlers from the Sunshine Coast, Vancouver Island, the Okanagan, Calgary and Edmonton, as well as Ontario and Quebec were present.

For the opening ceremonies (an abbreviated event due to the heat), Star Nation Canoe Club and Geronimo Canoe Club led the Canadian contingent into the athletes' tent. Additionally, Star Nation appeared in full regalia, which provided a precursor to their performance during the Cultural Night presentations (they were the stars of that evening). Lastly, as one of Canada's youngest participants, Geronimo paddler Joseph Seward acted as Canada's flag bearer, and sat seat 1 in his V6 for the flag parade ceremony.

Thanks to the technical guidance of Gary Biagioni, the ACs were able to communicate with paddlers via the Team Canada blog (using a relatively simple app) rather than email, as in the past. This blog was used to convey news, provide racing schedules for the next day, and share a written wrap-up of the day. One of these reports (the "ohana" post) was posted on the CORA Facebook page, was seen by over 1000 people, received well over 100 responses and was shared dozens of times.

As mentioned, Star Nation Canoe Club represented Canada during the Cultural Night event, and they were a resounding success. They shared their traditional knowledge of the lands of the Fraser River Valley with the hundreds of people in attendance through song, dance, and stories. Gwen Point led the storytelling and, in an act of togetherness, invited the entire Canadian contingent to stand behind the singers and dancers throughout the entire performance, which they completed again in full regalia.

There were a few challenges that arose over the course of the week, in many cases as a result of injury. Several paddlers had to pull out of events, and many others gritted it out for their crews. Additional difficulties are listed below.

Successes

Canada was able to send the 4th largest contingent of paddlers to this event. In nearly every category, a Canadian paddler or crew made finals (as in, Open Women there had a V1, in M50 there were V1s, V6s and V12s, etc.). Of special interest, Canada's J19 crews made finals for both Men and Women, a J19 paddler won his V1 event, and a J16 V1 paddler also made finals. Canadians also set three world records during this championship. It was a strong showing for Canada's next generation of paddlers. Of special note, the J19 crews were significantly younger than their competition, and many had never paddled with their crews before practice, so their successes are even more impressive.

Medal count, barring any unintentional omissions, stands at 12 gold, 13 silver, and 7 bronze – including <u>NINE</u> V1 world champions. In addition to the hardware, Canada will also receive extra entries into those V1 events in which Canadians won medals.

As such:

J19 Men – 1 extra entry

Open Women – 1 extra entry

M40 Men and Women – 1 extra entry

M50 Women – 1 extra entry

M60 Women – 1 extra entry

M70 Men and Women – 2 extra entries

M75 Men – 2 extra entries

M75 Women – 1 extra entry

M80 Men and Women – 1 extra entry

Difficulties

Day Two saw Canada's first rules concern, which leads to an item of attention for the future. Due to participation in the Elite Men's V12 event, the Prime Primo Premier crews, had to be split up, which had a ripple effect throughout the Open and M40 men's event thereafter, as multiple crews had to be readjusted.

Despite efforts made, and Team Canada being of the impression that IVF authorized the crews as entered, IVF disqualified an Open Men's V6 crew from race 206 (Sunday) as each member of this crew had participated in the elite V12 event. The justification for the DQ was based on the idea that an "elite pool" of athletes is created, even though that phrase does not appear anywhere in IVF race rules. Canada protested the DQ, arguing that V6 and V12 are different race events (using IVF's own definition of "event"), and that the club crew only had 3 of the Elite V6 crew present. This appeal was denied and the FCRCC crew was not allowed to participate in the final and had to be broken up for the other Open event. As this impacted nearly every other Open and M40 Men's crew still participating, crew switches needed to be made. For future, it is imperative that Team Canada be aware of this restriction as interpreted by IVF.

A second ruling that went against Canada was entirely the fault of IVF and race organizers. For the Open Women's V6 500m event, the race progression chart listed that 3rd and 4th in each heat, plus the one fastest 5th, would qualify for the repechage. Canada had both the fastest and 2nd fastest non-4th place finishers. Despite the progression clearly stating that Canada had qualified for the repechage, IVF refused to allow the crew to participate (despite acknowledging that the document did read the way we protested, that the Canadian crew was that qualifier, and that the mistake was entirely on behalf of the organizers). Lanes 1 and 10 were available for a crew to be included. The race progression must be changed in the future.

Recommendations

After racing was finished in their respective events, the J19 crews were already making plans to re-assemble and expand the J19 roster for Hilo 2024. Continuing the practice of covering the entry fees for junior paddlers should be considered. Additionally, finding other ways to support these paddlers – such as opportunities for crew clinics and individual coaching – should be explored. Putting options out to these paddlers should be done sooner rather than later, as their excitement about 2022 should still be

very high. Both the Men's and Women's crew members were also discussing recruitment of friends/classmates/clubmates for 2024. If resources exist to help in this recruitment process, these paddlers should be made aware.

The blog app should be a consistent tool for ACs to use to communicate during the course of future IVF events. It was convenient, easy to use, and likely was more accessible to paddlers than email (sometimes, emails get misdirected or addresses are wrong).

Many of the injuries sustained were the result of the construction of the boats (both V1 and V6). Injuries included several paddlers cut by sharp edges in V1s and the high gunwales in the V6s bruised ribs and abdomens. Should Canada host another IVF event, other options for Va'a should be considered.

It should be considered that Canada not participate in the Elite V12 events until such time as the number of paddlers representing Canada is sufficient to present a quality V12 crew without impacting the competitiveness of the club crews. Put the top paddlers in each gender together in the Club V12 events instead, within the guidelines that only 6 elite paddlers can be in a club V12 crew.

Late arrivals to the race site nearly resulted in multiple disqualifications (one crew was DQ'd) and an action plan should be put in place to do what is possible to ensure this trend does not continue.

A consequence for intentional no-shows should be considered. What that looks like is not for the ACs to decide, but one no-show had a significant negative impact on several paddlers, this behaviour should be addressed.

Team uniforms should be in place far earlier than what transpired for 2022. While the uniforms this cycle were clearly popular (and the hats especially), the last-minute – or beyond the last minute – availability should be avoided.

Finally, it is strongly recommended that the CORA Board select and identify the Area Coordinator(s) for upcoming IVF events prior to the selection Trials, to allow for that initial point of contact in advance of the event. In this way, potential team members will know who to turn to with questions or concerns, rather than addressing them to the most identifiable paddler(s) at the Trials.

Respectfully submitted for your consideration,

Rick Papineau

Team Canada Area Coordinator 2022

Placings for Canada by Category

Elite Men V12 500m – 5th in final

Elite Men V6 1500m – 4th in final

Elite Men V6 500m – 6th in final

Elite Women V6 1500m – 4th in final

Elite Women V6 500m – **Bronze**

Junior 16 Men V1 500m – Tyler Mottershead – 8th in final

Callum Sutton-MacMillan – 5th in heat

Joseph Seward – 7th in heat

Junior 16 Women V1 500m – Sakora Morris – 6th in heat

Jaya Schippel – 6th in heat

Emily Silver-Douglas – 7th in heat

Junior 19 Men V1 500m - Jasper Morris - **Gold**

Will Rainey – 4th in repechage

Callum Sutton-MacMillan – 6th in heat

Junior 19 Men V6 1000m – 4th in semi

Junior 19 Men V6 500m – 8th in final

Junior 19 Women V1 500m - Jennea Seward – 6th in repechage

Autumn Malloway – 7th in repechage

Rose Seward – DQ (assisted remount after huli)

Junior 19 Women V6 1000m – 4th in semi

Junior 19 Women V6 500m – 8th in final

M40 Men V1 500m – Len Morris – **Bronze**

Darren Grant – 8th in semi

Jonathan Grandmont – 6th in repechage

M40 Men V6 1000m – Calgary Canoe Club – 4th in repechage

Chinook – DNS in repechage (missing one paddler)

M40 Men V6 500m – Chinook – 7th in final

Calgary Canoe Club – 4th in repechage

M40 Men V12 500m - Calgary Chinook- 4th in final

M40 Women V1 500m - Leanne Stanley – **Gold**

Erin Lim – 6th in semi

Kamini Jain – 7th in semi

M40 Women V12 500m - CanWest – **Bronze**

M40 Women V6 1000m - Mauna Kia – 4th in semi

FCRCC – 5th in semi

Canadian Wahoo – 3rd in quarter

M40 Women V6 500m - FCRCC – 5th in final

Canadian Wahoo – 6th in semi

Mauna Kia – 5th in semi

M50 Men V1 500m - Scott Borle – 6th in final

Tamas Mihalyi – 8th in semi

Fabio Ferri de Barros – 5th in repechage

M50 Men V12 500m - True North Calgary - **Silver**

M50 Men V6 1000m - True North – **Bronze**

Calgary Canoe Club – 5th in semi

Salish Sea – 5th in heat

Fort Langley Canoe Club – 5th in heat

M50 Men V6 500m - True North – 4th in final

Calgary Canoe Club – 6th in semi

Salish Sea – 6th in repechage

Fort Langley Canoe Club – 6th in heat

M50 Women V1 500m - Mel Durban – Gold

Kamini Jain – 6th in final

Judy Scott – 6th in heat

M50 Women V12 500m - CanWest – 4th in final

Salish Sea Fort Langley – 5th in heat

Calgary Canoe Club – 6th in heat

M50 Women V6 1000m - FCRCC – 4th in final

BC Rapids – 3rd in semi

Mauna Kia – DQ in heat (turn)

Calgary Canoe Club – 4th in heat

Fort Langley - 3rd in heat

Salish Sea - DQ in heat (turn)

M50 Women V6 500m - FCRCC – 4th in final

BC Rapids – 6th in final

Calgary Canoe Club – 8th in heat

Mauna Kia – 6th in heat

Fort Langley Canoe Club – 8th in heat

M60 Men V1 500m – Jim Underwood – 8th in final

Pat McLellan – 6th in semi

Rob Varnel – 7th in semi

M60 Men V6 500m - Calgary Icemen – **Silver**

Salish Sea OGs – 6th in final

Fort Langley Canoe Club – 6th in repechage

Salish Sea ROGs – 6th in heat

M60 Men V6 1000m – Calgary Icemen – **Silver**

Salish Sea OGs – 5th in semi

Fort Langley Canoe Club – 5th in repechage

Salish Sea ROGs – 4th in heat

M60 Men V12 500m - Icemen Salish Sea – **Gold**

Salish Sea Fort Langley – 8th in final

M60 Women V1 500m - Mel Durban – Gold

Mary Lou Phinney – 6th in repechage

Christine O'Neill – 5th in heat

M60 Women V6 500m - Pacific Spirit – 5th in semi

K-Pod – 6th in semi

Calgary Canoe Club - 7th in semi

Salish Sea – 6th in repechage

Fort Langley Canoe Club – 8th in repechage

False Creek Catch 'n' Go – DQ in heat (out of lane)

M60 Women V6 1000m – K-Pod – 5th in semi

Pacific Spirit – 5th in semi

Fort Langley Canoe Club – 5th in repechage

False Creek Catch 'n' Go – 4th in repechage

Calgary Canoe Club – 5th in heat

Salish Sea – 4th in heat

M60 Women V12 500m - FCRCC – 6th in final

Calgary Fort Langley – 8th in final

Salish Sea – 6th in heat

M70 Men V1 500m - Jon Amundson – **Gold**

John Roberts – **Bronze**

Terry Curtis – 6th in final

Stan Machacek – 6th in repechage

M70 Men V12 500m - FCRCC Icemen – **Gold**

M70 Men V6 500m - Calgary Icemen – **Silver**

FCRCC Kupuna Kane – 4th in final

Salish Sea – 5th in heat

M70 Men V6 500m Turn - Calgary Icemen – **Silver**

FCRCC Kupuna Kane – **Bronze**

Salish Sea – 4th in semi

M70 Women V1 500m - Kat Town – **Gold**

Ann Mohs – Silver

Barb McColl – DQ in final (out of lane)

Lorene Archdekin - DQ in final (out of lane)

M70 Women V12 500m - Canoe Believe the Pacific Spirit – Silver

M70 Women V6 500m - Pacific Spirit – **Silver**

FCRCC – Canoe Believe It? – 4th in final

Salish Sea – 6th in heat

M70 Women V6 500m Turn - Pacific Spirit - Silver

FCRCC - Canoe Believe It? - 5th in final

Salish Sea – 4th in semi

M75 Men V1 500m - Jon Amundson – **Gold**

John Roberts – **Silver**

Stan Machacek – 5th in final

M75 Men V6 500m - Calgary Icemen – **Silver**

M75 Men V6 500m Turn - Calgary Icemen – 4th in final

M75 Women V1 500m - Ann Mohs – **Gold**

Ruth Matson – 5th in final

Verna Dalgleish – 8th in final

M75 Women V6 500m - Salish Sea – **Gold**

M75 Women V6 500m Turn - Salish Sea – **Silver**

M80 Men V1 250m - Otto Erdelsky – **Gold**

M80 Women V1 250m - Verna Dalgleigh – **Silver**

Open Men V1 500m - Jeffrey Chow – 8th in semi

George McLeod – 8th in semi

Ken Ang – 6th in heat

Open Men V12 500m - FCRCC Star Nation – 6th in final

Open Men V6 1500m - FCRCC Prime Primo Premier – DQ in repechage (elite crew violation)

Star Nation – 4th in heat

Open Men V6 500m - Star Nation – 8th in final

FCRCC Prime Primo Premier – 6th in semi

Open Women V1 500m - Leanne Stanley – **Bronze**

Kayla Boston – 4th in repechage

Erin Lim – 5th in repechage

Jennea Seward – 7th in heat

Open Women V12 500m - Star Nation Canoe Club – 5th in heat

Mauna Kia – 5th in heat

Open Women V6 1500m - Hoaloha Hou – 5th in heat

Star Nation Lista Ladies – 5th in heat

Star Nation Canoe Club - DQ (turn)

Open Women V6 500m - Hoaloha Hou – 6th in heat

Star Nation Lista Ladies – 8th in heat

Star Nation Canoe Club – 6th in heat



CORA INSURANCE AND SAFETY REPORT (AGM) 2022

There have been no incidents or insurance claims to report.

CORA's insurance broker remains BFL Canada Insurance Services, and the underwriter is 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. The scope of coverage for the day-to-day practices and training 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).

CORA Clubs disclose to CORA the nature of their operations and activities in a questionnaire received from CORA following Club Membership registration. This disclosure to CORA and CORA's acceptance thereof, constitutes the "sanctioning" process.

Member Clubs are reminded to inform CORA if any additional insureds need to be added in respect of their insurance coverage and we will request Certificates of Insurance confirming coverage for and naming additional insureds, such as landlords or local municipalities.

Likewise, Race Directors are also reminded to request Certificates of Insurance for their race confirming coverage for their event and naming additional insureds, such as landlords, local municipalities or other governmental authorities.

We have also confirmed with BFL Canada that CORA Members racing in specified international outrigger races (i.e. SCORA or HCRA races) may request Certificates of Insurance evidencing third party liability insurance coverage when racing, provided that race organizers accept such insurance. The Certificate of Insurance would be accompanied by a letter from CORA's Membership's Officer naming the crew and confirming CORA membership.

We continue to plan to develop a "plain language" explanation of the liability coverages.

CORA also maintains Directors' and Officers' Liability insurance.



CORA CANOE REGISTRY REPORT (AGM) 2022

OVERVIEW

This initiative began in 2020 as an effort 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 & 2022 with data quality improvements to the <u>Canoe Registry</u> 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 182 "big-boat" canoes within Canada, up from 169 as of Autumn 2021.
- We have been able to capture current pictures of 93% (169/182) of the "big-boat" canoes within Canada.
- There are 7 CORA clubs and 1 ECORA club that each own at least 7 "big-boat" canoes and collectively own 38% (69/182) of all "big-boat" canoes in Canada.
- 20% (37/182) of "big-boat" canoes in Canada (1 in 8) are NOT owned by clubs / teams affiliated with CORA.
- There is a continual pattern of new clubs being formed and joining CORA, existing clubs leaving CORA, and existing clubs rejoining CORA, which leads to addition of new "big-boat" canoes to the <u>Canoe Registry</u> and a rebalancing of the proportion of CORA / Non-CORA "big-boat" canoes in Canada.
- CORA expects to learn of even more OC6s/OC4s in Canada through-out the coming year as clubs and individuals with privately owned canoes attend Canadian canoe racing events.
- Discussions with Val Simmons of Haunani noted the following points: A) There continues to be a dearth of OC6s in Quebec (6 in 2021 and 8 in 2022 owned by Aumakua; 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 have only 17 OC6s between them.

13 new OC6s showed up in Canada and 5 used OC6s changed clubs since Oct-2021 when the previous CORA Registry Report was compiled. New / used big-boat acquisitions since the previous <u>Canoe Registry</u> update in Oct-2021 included:

- 1 new blue deck Clipper Advantage OC6 (Whanau) acquired by Gibsons from Western Canoe Kayaking (WCK).
- 1 new red deck Clipper Advantage OC6 acquired by For The People (Chemainus) from WCK.
- 1 new teal deck Clipper Advantage OC6 (Aaliya Warbus) acquired by Star Nation (Cultus Lake) from WCK.
- 1 new blue deck Puakea Malolo acquired by Wolf Pack (Victoria / Unaffiliated) from Ozone Hana Hou.
- 1 new green / white Puakea Malolo OC6 acquired by Island Brave from Ozone Hana Hou.
- 1 new yellow / black Giblin Vortex OC6 acquired by Island Brave from Ozone Hana Hou.
- 2 new white deck Are Matahina OC6s acquired by FCRCC from Are Distributor (Ken Ang).
- 1 used green deck Calmar CCR OC6 acquired by Star Nation (Cultus Lake) from FCRCC.
- 1 used yellow deck Calmar CCR OC6 acquired by Star Nation (Cultus Lake) from FCRCC.
- 1 used yellow deck Clipper Advantage OC6s acquired by Sunnyside (Toronto) from Pacific Reach.
- 2 used blue deck Clipper Advantage OC6s acquired by TSCC (Toronto) from Vernon.
- 4 existing OC6s (various makes / models) owned by Ontario clubs that CORA learned of during 2022.

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).
- Access to used canoes by Canadian clubs from the States has been impacted by the US / Canada exchange rate.
- 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 and the travel distances between clubs in Toronto, Ottawa, and Montreal.
- WCK continues to be the lone source of Canadian made Traditional OC6s. WCK manufactured 3 Clipper Advantages in 2022 and has 2 Clipper Advantages on the books for 2023.
- There is a huge demand for spare canoe parts and for canoe repairs. CORA has been in contact with a few suppliers of iakos / amas. CORA is also locating companies / individuals who do OC6 / OC1 / ama / iako repairs. Should anyone know of companies / individuals who do fibreglass / woodworking for OC6s / OC1s / amas / iakos, please contact CORA so that we can update our <u>Outrigger Canoeing Resources Registry</u>.
- CORA has been attempting to inventory OC6 trailers among CORA clubs to assist event hosts with coordinating OC6s. OC6 trailers in Eastern Canada have increased as TSCC Maka Koa acquired a trailer from Vernon Racing Canoe Club and Amakua in Quebec has a trailer certified to provincial regulations. Wai Nui (although not a CORA Club in 2022) has an OC6 trailer that is used to support Eastern Canada OC6 events and this makes for 3 known OC6 trailers in Eastern Canada. OC6 trailers in Western Canada (Vancouver Island; Lower Mainland; Okanagan / Interior) are far more prevalent with OC6 trailers at Comox, FGPC, Latitude 48 (2), Wolfpack, Pacific Reach, FCRCC, Dragon Zone, Lotus, Fort Langley, Harrison, Penticton, Kelowna, Vernon, and Kamloops. It is worth nothing that clubs are moving towards OC6 trailers with less capacity and lower weight ratings to transport Unlimited OC6s.
- CORA continues to reach out to unaffiliated Eastern Canada clubs (Onake; Ottawa River; Pickering; Wai Nui) and Western Canada First Nations clubs to become CORA clubs as CORA learns of OC6s at these clubs.

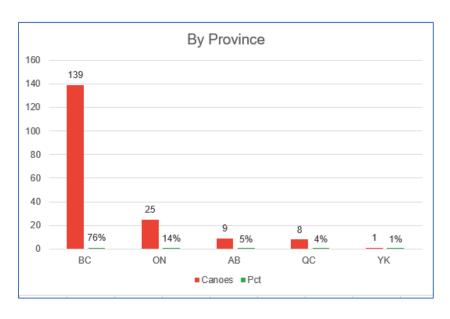
APPENDIX

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; Traditional OC6; Unlimited OC6)
- 4. Make / Model / Manufacturer

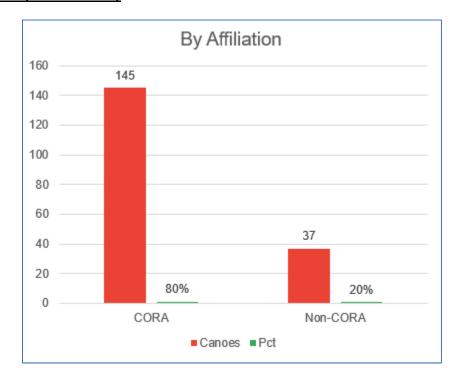
Canoes By Province (BC; AB; ON; QC)

Province	Canoes	Pct				
ВС	139	76%				
ON	25	14%				
AB	9	5%				
QC	8	4%				
YK	1	1%				



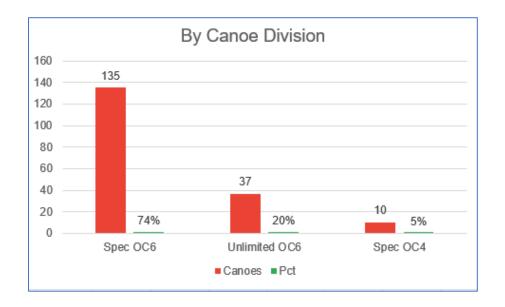
Canoes By Affiliation (CORA Member; ECORA / Unaffiliated)

Affiliation	Canoes	Pct
CORA	145	80%
Non-CORA	37	20%



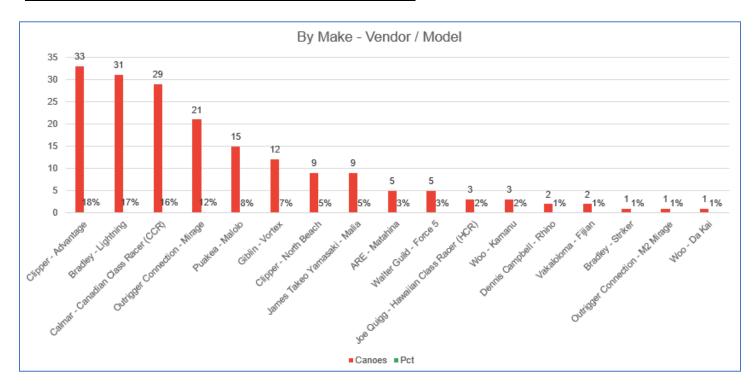
Canoes By Division

Canoe Division	Canoes	Pct
Traditional OC6	135	74%
Unlimited OC6	37	20%
Traditional OC4	10	5%



Canoes By Make / Vendor / Model

Make - Vendor / Model	Canoes	Pct
Clipper - Advantage	33	18%
Bradley - Lightning	31	17%
Calmar - Canadian Class Racer (CCR)	29	16%
Outrigger Connection - Mirage	21	12%
Puakea - Malolo	15	8%
Giblin - Vortex	12	7%
Clipper - North Beach	9	5%
James Takeo Yamasaki - Malia	9	5%
ARE - Matahina	5	3%
Walter Guild - Force 5	5	3%
Joe Quigg - Hawaiian Class Racer (HCR)	3	2%
Woo - Kamanu	3	2%
Dennis Campbell - Rhino	2	1%
Vakaloloma - Fijian	2	1%
Bradley - Striker	1	1%
Outrigger Connection - M2 Mirage	1	1%



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 & 2022 with the outcome being a Club Branding / Logos Registry archived to the CORA Google Drive and a page of Club Branding / Logos on the CORA website for when CORA opts to do further promotion on behalf of clubs:

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



CORA HISTORICAL COMMITTEE REPORT (AGM) 2022

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.

As was expected, the 2022 "Return To Sport" meant that much of the paddling community was active again training / racing for events throughout the year. The winter 2021/2022 local travel / gathering restrictions gave the CORA Historical Committee just enough time to complete / publish several more Canadian outrigger canoeing historical documents before the paddling community returned to training / racing.

LIVING DOCUMENTS

The 10 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 24 Canadian Outrigger Hall Of Fame 2021/2022 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 2021/2022 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 8 CORA clubs were able to launch outrigger canoe clubs by virtue of an OC6 that very few Canadian paddlers know about. Discussions in 2022 with Don Mulhall and Brent Bagnall and Rosemary Henry may have finally filled in the outstanding gaps in the history of this mystery OC6. 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 2021/2022 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 are priceless.

https://www.canadianoutrigger.ca/team-canada-ivf-legacy/

CLUB LEGACIES - FALSE CREEK; LOTUS; JERICHO; PENTICTON; OCEAN RIVER

CORA accumulated a wealth of history in 2020/2021 on 3 of the original CORA clubs (False Creek; Lotus; Jericho). CORA accumulated a wealth of history in 2021/2022 on 2 more of the original CORA clubs (Ocean River; Penticton). The details collected in the research of the 24 Canadian Outrigger Hall Of Fame 2021/2022 Inductees is to be incorporated into these 5 existing CORA club legacies. There is a vast amount of material that has been collected on Comox Valley Canoe Racing Club (CVCRC), Pemberton Canoe Association (PCA), Kelowna Paddling Club (KPC), and Nanaimo Ocean Paddling Club (NOPC) by virtue of some of the Canadian Outrigger Hall Of Fame 2021/2022 Inductee Bios that is to be used in draft versions for legacies of these 4 clubs. CORA looks forward to working with Comox, Pemberton, Kelowna, and Nanaimo on these "living documents".

CORA has initiated discussions with many individuals across Canada to continue this OC history initiative:

- Zoe Norcross from Comox Valley Canoe Racing Club (CVCRC)
- Ruth Matsen from Nanaimo Ocean Paddling Club (NOPC)
- Carmen Prehofer from Kelowna Paddling Club (KPC)
- Sue Milligan from Powell River Outrigger Canoe Society (PROCS)
- Nancy Botting from Wai Nui in Ontario

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 2022 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 collected an extensive set of material on the key individuals / events of these clubs.

RESOURCES

Fact-checking, grammar-checking, umpteen email exchanges, and endless online searches in 2020 resulted in a very definitive <u>Canoe Registry</u> 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 2022).

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

The end result of this ongoing research has been 10 reference documents:

- 1. The Malia in British Columbia First publication on outrigger canoeing in Canada by Doug Mancell (Lotus Sports Club)
- 2. 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
- 3. "The Burrard" First OC6 in Canada (1985-2006)
- 4. The Lotus Legacy Extensive history (1986-2019) of Lotus Sports Club
- 5. The False Creek Legacy Extensive history (1982-2000) of False Creek Racing Canoe Club
- 6. The Jericho Legacy Extensive history (1993-2020) of Jericho Outrigger Canoe Club (Jericho Paddling Club)
- 7. The Ocean River Legacy Extensive history (1994-2021) of Ocean River Paddling Club (now Latitude 48)
- 8. The Skaha Legacy Extensive history (1999-2021) of Penticton Racing Canoe Club
- 9. Unlimited Canoes In Canada Detailed background on history / distributors / owners of all the various Unlimited OC6s across Canada

10. 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 2021/2022 Inductee Bios as well as "The Burrard – First OC6 In Canada" and the Team Canada IVF Legacy:

- Don Mulhall (Penticton) commentary on the "The Burrard" travels and the Okanagan OC timeline
- Brent Bagnall (Penticton) commentary on the "The Burrard" travels and the Okanagan OC timeline
- Rosemary Henry (Victoria) commentary on the "The Burrard" travels and the Vancouver Island OC timeline
- Andrea Dillon (Vancouver) commentary on the 1992/1994/1996/1998/2002 IVF Sprints
- Wendy Rae-Perkins (Oakville) commentary on the Eastern Canada OC timeline
- Hugh Fisher (Pemberton) commentary on the CORA formation and the 1992 IVF Sprints
- Grace Morissette (Lotus) commentary on the Queen Liliuokalani timeline
- Bob Woodman (Vernon) CORA Board and Historical Committee Member on the Okanagan OC timeline
- Val Simmons (Haunani) CORA Board and Historical Committee Member on the Eastern Canada OC timeline

MEMBERSHIP CONTRIBUTIONS

CORA Board continues to collect historical records on Canadian outrigger canoeing. Stories for Vancouver Island, the Okanagan / Interior, Alberta, and Eastern Canada have been started, but material is lacking. The membership is invited to contact CORA to contribute material / stories / photos that can be added to the legacy of Canadian outrigger canoeing



CORA AWARDS COMMITTEE REPORT (AGM) 2022

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 and the *Canadian Outrigger Hall Of Fame* since 2021.

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 have become part of the <u>Properties Registry</u> as of 2022 (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 Small-Boat Racing 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), in the second year of the COVID Pandemic (2021) to Beau Whitehead (Kikaha O Ke Kai), and in the current year (2022) to Darian Hildreth (Friday Harbor). 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.

2022 had been the third year where COVID led to an exceptional year for the PNWORCA Winter Series. The 2022 PNWORCA Winter Series proceeded as per the 2022 PNWORCA racing schedule with 7 events (Wasabi; Jericho; Mountain Home; Bellingham; False Creek; Kai Ikaika; Sail Sand Point). See the CORA Race Summary Report (AGM) 2022 for commentary on the 2022 PNWORCA Winter Series. The most notable observation regarding the early months of 2022 was that the American border had opened to land crossings in Nov-2021 allowing Canadians to drive to early 2022 US races. Although the Canadian Border had been open to land crossings much longer, quarantine and potentially costly mandatory COVID testing entry requirements deterred most paddlers from entering or returning to Canada for early 2022 races. There was one US paddler who did participate in every virtual and in-person Canada / US 2022 PNWORCA Winter Series race. Darian Hildreth from Friday Harbor on San Juan Island, formerly of Florida and New Zealand, proved to be a powerhouse paddler.





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 Darian Hildreth (Friday Harbor) in the Men Masters 40+ OC1 Division. The 2022 PNWORCA Winter Series event organizers recognized Darian Hildreth 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. The Peter Forand Masters Challenge Trophy was on the road again in 2022. It was hoped that for the first time ever, the Peter Forand Masters Challenge Trophy winner would be present and

acknowledged at the PNWORCA Winter Series Championship event at Sail Sand Point. Unfortunately, the 2022 Peter Forand Masters Challenge Trophy winner had to leave early to catch a ferry back to San Juan Island. Fortunately, the 2021 Peter Forand Masters Challenge Trophy winner (Beau Whitehead) was present and was acknowledged by the paddling community. The 2022 Peter Forand Masters Challenge Trophy winner (Darian Hildreth) graciously consented to race at the Pacific NorthWest Outrigger Challenge (PNWOC) in the 27-mile water-changes event with Team FreeLance and at the end of the PNWOC 2022 awards ceremony, Darian Hildreth was presented the Peter Forand Masters Challenge Trophy in recognition of his excellence as the top OC1 Masters paddler in the 2022 PNWORCA Winter Series.

https://www.canadianoutrigger.ca/darian-hildreth-friday-harbor-wins-2022-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 2021 season and recognized Don Mulhall of Penticton Racing Canoe Club, as the 2021 Recipient of the *Hugh Town Memorial Builder Award*.

Don Mulhall has a 25-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 Penticton Racing Canoe Club (PRCC) that has hosted the popular Penticton Duel In The Desert, Length Of The Lake Ultra-Distance, Okanagan Small-Boat Racing Series, Skaha Downwind event, Channel Parkway small-boat event and Penticton Dragon Boat Festival. He has served both on the Penticton Racing Canoe Club Executive continuously from 1999-2021 and on the CORA Board from 2017-2019



https://www.canadianoutrigger.ca/hugh-town-memorial-builder-award-2021/

The Canadian Iron Championships has not proven to be the most favorable venue to present the trophy and best efforts have been made to present the trophy to the most recent Recipient at a mutually convenient time / place. CORA has made best efforts to present the trophy to the current year Recipient at a mutually convenient time / place. A small ceremony was 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. The Hugh Town Trophy went to the Penticton Duel In The Desert 2022 CORA Cup Series event where the trophy was presented to Drew Mitchell (2020 Recipient) and Don Mulhall (2021 Recipient) with a special guest appearance by the widow Florida Town. The Hugh Town Trophy also travelled to the Lotus 2022 CORA Cup Series event in recognition of Grace Morissette (2019 Inaugural Recipient) and to the Comox 2022 CORA Cup Series event, where each of the Recipients was acknowledged. The Hugh Town Memorial Builder Award 2022 Recipient is to be announced at the 2022 CORA AGM.

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.

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) and the 2022 Inductees (Andrea Dillon; Wendy Rae-Perkins; Rosemary Henry; Grace Morissette; Don Mulhall; Kamini Jain) that should provide the level of credentials CORA takes into consideration for nominees. https://www.canadianoutrigger.ca/community-2/canadian-outrigger-hall-of-fame/

Comox had once again graciously offered to host a Canadian Outrigger Hall Of Fame presentation at their 2022 CORA Cup Series Championship event. Unfortunately, all of the 2022 Inductees were already committed to other activities on that weekend. However, CORA did arrange for in-person presentations of the *Canadian Outrigger Hall Of Fame* plaques by eloquent speakers including the Poker Dealer at the Lotus Poker Paddle for Grace Morissette, Chris Hebert at the TIOC for Wendy Rae-Perkins, and Leanne Stanley at the Samoa Time Trials for Kamini Jain.

CORA hosted an online Town Hall session in Nov-2022 for the Inductees spread across Canada and the rest of the world. The Inductees and Guest Speakers included Andrea Dillon, Wendy Rae-Perkins, Rosemary Henry, Grace Morissette, Don Mulhall, Kamini Jain, Melanie Whittall, Hugh Fisher, Susan Mott, Doug Mancell, Sheila Kuyper, Nancy Botting, Valerie Simmons, Penny Seeley, Brad Lee, "Jack", Annie Boulding, Brian Henry, Graham Henry, and Leanne Stanley. 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.

https://www.canadianoutrigger.ca/cora-town-hall-5-november-4pm-pacific-recognition-east-to-west-cora-hall-of-fame/

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. This is still a novel process and is steadily becoming ingrained in CORA Board business-as-usual with an expectation that this should happen on an annual basis. An individual should be tasked with ensuring that the procedures are followed going forward.

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 outsourced to a third-party vendor and CORA must replace the existing plates / shields that are affixed with double-sided tape.



CORA RACE REVIEW REPORT (AGM) 2022

OVERVIEW

The CORA Board never lost sight during the COVID Pandemic of the CORA Mandate to "foster and develop the sport of outrigger racing in Canada". The CORA Race Committee and the CORA Board had collectively strived to keep the membership engaged with virtual racing options, establish vendor / sponsor relationships for prizing, and pursue initiatives to grow the sport once "Return To Sport" became more tangible. This downtime to plan for the future has resulted in the 2022 CORA racing season being very different from past years.

JUNIOR / NOVICE OC PADDLE INITIATIVE

CORA Board introduced a new initiative for 2022 at the 2021 CORA Pre-AGM. To encourage participation by new paddlers at 2022 CORA events, a new Junior / Novice OC Paddle Draw Grant was funded. Every Junior / Novice participant at each 2022 CORA Cup Series event was given 1 entry for the end-of-season draw. It was possible for each Junior / Novice participant to have up to a maximum of 4 entries for the end-of-season draw. The response was impressive with 68 entries in total from 8 Western Canada OC clubs. There were at least 10 entries in each of the Junior Women, Junior Men, Novice Women, and Novice Men divisions such that 2 winners were drawn from each of these 4 divisions.

CORA Board wishes to extend a round of appreciation to Oddball Workshop, our generous sponsor, for contributing Gift Certificates for each of the 8 Junior / Novice winners to redeem for a paddle of a length and design of their choosing within 1 year from the end-of-season draw date (10-Sep-2022).

CORA Board wishes to extend a round of appreciation to the Race Coordinators (Don Mulhall; Melanie Conard; Grace Morissette; Jackie Bell) from CORA Cup Series host clubs Penticton, Latitude 48, Lotus, and Comox, as well as all the club reps who collected the names of Junior / Novice participants at these 4 events, and forwarded these entries onto the CORA Board for the draw at the Comox Awards presentation. https://www.canadianoutrigger.ca/cora-junior-novice-oc-paddle-draw/

CORA CUP SERIES EVENT PRIZING (SWAG) INITIATIVE

CORA Board introduced a new initiative for 2022 at the 2021 CORA Pre-AGM. To improve the "event quality experience", a new CORA Cup Series Event Prizing (Swag) Grant was funded. This initiative involved a budget for each of the 4 Western Canada 2022 CORA Cup Series events and up to 3 Eastern Canada CORA Sanctioned OC6 events. Each event host had a budget of \$800 to spend on random draw prizes purchased from their own vendors / sponsors or from a set of CORA vetted vendors / sponsors and to conduct one or more random draws throughout the OC6 distance event. The type and number of random draw prizes varied for each of the Penticton, Latitude 48, Lotus, Comox, and Toronto events. However, the event participants communicated that they believed this was a worthwhile initiative.

CORA FLAG BANNER PUBLIC RELATIONS INITIATIVE

CORA Board embarked on an initiative for 2022 to improve our presence at local and international events. CORA purchased high-quality flag banners with signage in English / French. These flag banners were acquired in

mid-April 2022 and have been displayed at the Burnaby Lake Sprints, Penticton Duel In The Desert, London IVF World Sprints, and Jericho Sailing Centre Samoa Time Trials. The goal of CORA is to have these flag banners be displayed at many future CORA Sanctioned Events.

INFLATION IMPACT RESPONSE

Inflation has been a prevalent theme since early 2022 as fuel prices have been skyrocketing. CORA Board recognized that the high cost of fuel would likely have an impact on CORA Sanctioned Event attendance in general and in trailering costs in particular. CORA Board introduced several changes to the Travel Grant to address the costs of transporting OC6s to CORA Sanctioned Events:

- Mileage reimbursement was increased from a rate of \$0.50 to a rate of \$0.60 per kilometre traveled.
- Reimbursement for travel was increased from a maximum of \$650 to a maximum of \$700 per application.
- "Truck-topping" (OC6s carried on top of approved vehicles) was made eligible for Travel Grants.
- https://www.canadianoutrigger.ca/cora-travel-grant-updates/

SMALL-BOAT RACING SUPPORT

CORA Board continues to support small-boat racing by providing subsidized Small-Boat Racing Number Decals at zero cost to host clubs. At each AGM, CORA distributes blocks of CORA Small-Boat Number decals to those Club Representatives and Board Members in attendance from Vancouver Island, Lower Mainland, Okanagan / Interior clubs. The goal is to have an inventory of CORA Small-Boat Number Decals in the hands of clubs hosting small-boat events in the coming year. 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.

FIRST NATIONS REPRESENTATION

First Nations clubs / paddlers participation with CORA was very notable in 2022. Star Nation Canoe Club from Cultus Lake became a CORA Club, something that has not happened since North Van Canoe Club was a CORA Club in the early 2000s. First Nations paddlers from Star Nation and Geronimo represented Team Canada at the London IVF World Sprints and some of these paddlers medalled as well. First Nations paddlers from Star Nation, Geronimo, Island Brave, Proud Mary, Wahnapitae, and several other clubs attended and did very well at many CORA sanctioned events including Burnaby Lake Sprints, Lotus Iron, Comox Iron, Bridges, and TIOC. CORA continues to reach out to First Nations clubs to become CORA clubs and be part of Team Canada for IVF World Sprints / Distance events.

DEALING WITH COVID

As we move through our third year of the COVID Pandemic, we recognize that vaccinations / boosters do not confer immunity against COVID, but these measures have proven effective at protecting our health. Even though our immune systems have been bolstered, there have been negative impacts on the paddling community. Many of us who had managed to avoid COVID for 2 years, found ourselves having an unpleasant encounter with COVID, as we relaxed our guard and travelled / gathered / hugged more often. Paddlers going to events such as Burnaby Lake Sprints, The Gorge, Lotus Iron, Napali, London IVF Sprints, Seattle Change Race (PNWOC), and Queen Liliuokalani, have caught COVID and had to self-isolate. Some of these paddlers passed COVID onto crewmates, family, and friends. The impact on racing has seen individual paddlers cancelling and causing their crews to scramble to find spares, crews cancelling and causing event organizers to deal with refunds / cancellations, and paddlers stranded while quarantining. Let us hope that COVID brings less disruption to our lives as we head into the coming year.

EASTERN CANADA WATERWAY SERIES SUPPORT

CORA Board had discussions with several Ontario / Quebec clubs to restore the Eastern Canada Waterway Series for 2022. Toronto International Outrigger Challenge (TIOC) did return in 2022 as a CORA Sanctioned Event. CORA collaborated with the TIOC event host club (Toronto Sailing Canoe Club Maka Koa) to assist in the success of this event, work towards making this a recurring CORA Sanctioned Event, and hopefully have this event become an Eastern Canada Waterway Series Championship event. CORA had collaborated with Eastern Canada clubs to have an OC6 trailer and 3 Traditional OC6s moved to Toronto in late 2021 to support Eastern Canada OC6 events. CORA collaborated with TSCC Maka Koa on Safety Planning and provided a CORA Event Prizing (Swag) Grant to assist with paddler appreciation for this event. The weather was favorable and the event was quite well-attended. The TIOC Facebook photos show the former Vernon and Pacific Reach OC6s doing well in the Toronto Harbour. CORA continues to reach out to unaffiliated Eastern Canada clubs (Onake; Ottawa River; Pickering; Wai Nui) to join with CORA and host CORA Sanctioned Events.

https://www.tioc.ca/2022-results

https://www.facebook.com/outriggerchallenge/photos

PNWORCA SMALL-BOAT RACING WINTER SERIES

The 2022 PNWORCA / CORA Winter Series proceeded as per the 2022 PNWORCA racing schedule with 7 events (Wasabi; Jericho; Mountain Home; Bellingham; False Creek; Kai Ikaika; Sail Sand Point). The 2022 PNWORCA / CORA Winter Series in comparison to 2021 was a disappointment. PNWORCA clubs in 2021 had adopted virtual racing as an alternative to in-person racing and attendance was high for the 5 PNWORCA Winter Series virtual events. The worst Pacific Northwest winter in 50 years, extreme weather events, ongoing COVID gathering restrictions, Canada border testing requirements, and other factors had a negative impact on 2022 PNWORCA / CORA Winter Series attendance. Wasabi (#1) was cancelled due to low pre-registration and freezing temperatures. Jericho (#2) was cancelled due to BC COVID gathering restrictions and the Nov-2021 storm destruction of the Jericho Pier. Mountain Home (#3) was cancelled due to COVID Omicron concerns. Bellingham (#4) was successful and well-attended, but Canada border testing requirements kept Canadian paddlers away. False Creek (#5) was held in possibly the worst conditions ever for a PNWORCA / CORA Winter Series event with only 27 of 61 participants completing the race - never in the history of the co-sanctioned PNWORCA / CORA Winter Series has there been this high a number of Did Not Start (DNS) entries or Did Not Finish (DNF) entries. Kai Ikaika (#6) was cancelled due to race management turnover. Sail Sand Point (#7) was a huge success with great attendance, great weather, great awards, thorough safety planning, and Canada border testing requirements having been dropped just days earlier, allowing Canadians to attend without incurring exhorbitant COVID testing fees to return home. It should be noted that virtual racing or rescheduling was not considered as an alternative by any of the event hosts that cancelled their events.

There were a small number of paddlers who participated in multiple 2022 PNWORCA Winter Series events. There was one individual who dominated OC1 Masters paddling in all virtual and in-person events. **Darian Hildreth** of Friday Harbor on San Juan Island WA was recognized as the 2022 Peter Forand Masters Challenge Trophy recipient and joins Peter Marcus, Minnie Fontenelle, and Beau Whitehead as recipients of this award.

BURNABY LAKE SPRINTS

CORA Board committed at the 2021 CORA Pre-AGM to taking the lead on delivering a BC Lower Mainland OC Sprints Championship Event at Burnaby Lake in April 2022, as an investment in support of Canadian OC Sprints events and as a dress rehearsal for the 2022 London IVF World Sprints. CORA Board recognized that there was considerable effort involved in hosting a 2-day OC Sprints event.

Some of the many organizations that CORA collaborated with over the course of 5 months to bring OC Sprints Racing back to Burnaby Lake and made for a very successful event included FCRCC for Event Management, Fairway Gorge for Shopping Cart / Registration Management, G2G for Race Management, Burnaby Lake Rowing Club for Course Management, City of Burnaby for Venue Management, CORA clubs FCRCC / VOS / FLCC / FVPC for providing Bradley Lightning OC6s, Coast Mountain for sponsorship and prizing, Oddball Workshop for commemorative race jerseys and prizing, several licensed merchants for providing coffee / lunches, and none other than Kamini Jain for Race Director professionalism.

A dozen CORA Board Members selflessly contributed hundreds upon hundreds of hours over the course of 5 months to guarantee the Pavilion, the parking lots, the race course, the safety boats, the OC6s, the trailering, the event shopping cart, the coffee / food vendors, the merchandise vendors, the medals, the award ceremonies, the draw prizes, and the commemorative jerseys would be in place for this 2-day event.

RACE RESULTS

- Clubs are encouraged to submit Race Results in formats that are <u>conducive to ease of reformatting for data</u>
 / <u>trend analysis</u> (CSV; XLS; TXT; WORD), with the confidence that these Race Results will be posted to the CORA website in PDF 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.
- With the new CORA website and a reorganization of content, for 2020/2021/2022 and going forward, Race Results PDFs are now named as YEAR Club Event (2021 FGPC Wet-Dashe):
- https://canadianoutrigger.ca/races/race-results/

CORA RETURN TO RACING

Many early season 2022 races were lost for various reasons. Lotus Icebreaker was on the schedule while BC COVID gathering restrictions were still in place and COVID Omicron concerns led to cancellation. Jericho Winter Series was cancelled due to BC COVID gathering restrictions and the Nov-2021 storm destruction of the Jericho Pier. False Creek March Madness was cancelled due to the Nov-2021 storm destruction of the Burrard Docks (still not repaired). Fort Langley Spring Run (OC6) was cancelled due to race management turnover, which was very common through COVID with many Club leaders stepping down.

It is worth noting that Canadian paddlers did well as they left Canada to compete in "international events". Team Canada 2022 London IVF World Sprints results were exceptional as the IVF Committee Report will attest. Canadian crews attended The Gorge in large numbers and did quite well. Canadian paddlers took Silver at the Napali Challenge. Canadian paddlers took Gold at the Pacific NorthWest Outrigger Challenge (PNWOC) in 2 water-changes divisions. Canadian paddlers took Gold / Silver / Bronze in several Queen Liliuokalani events.

Another racing season impacted by COVID makes it impractical for year-over-year comparisons, however the CORA Cup Series returned in 2022 with 4 Western Canada events. CORA clubs were able to host **22 in-person events in 2022**, a notable increase from **9 in-person events in 2021**. Please see the table below of 2022 participation at all virtual and in-person events.

Event Name	Event Type	Finishers / Participants	Spec Crews	Unitd Crews	Spec Crews (Short)	Unitd Crews (Short)	In Region	Out Region (Ferries / Mountains / Border)	Uncertain
2022 FGPC V12 OC12	OC12 Mid- Distance	16 / 16	16	0	0	0	14	1	1
2022 CORA Virtual (PNWORCA) Winter Series #2	Small-Boat Distance	7/7					5	2	0
2022 FCRCC (PNWORCA) Winter Series #5	Small-Boat Distance	27 / 61					54	6	2
2022 FGPC OC6 1500m	OC6 Sprints	24 / 24	24	0	0	0	17	7	0
2022 NOPC NPI Attack Small-Boat	Small-Boat Distance	18 / 18			-		18	0	0
2022 FLCC River Run Small Boat	Small-Boat Distance	31 / 32					26	5	1
2022 CORA OC Sprints Championships OC6	OC6 Sprints	39 / 39	39	0	0	0	28	11	0
2022 CORA OC Sprints Championships V1	Small-Boat Distance	32 / 31					18	14	0
2022 PRCC Duel In The Desert Iron OC6 (CORA Cup 1)	OC6 Long- Distance	18 / 18	3	12	3	0	3	12	0
2022 PRCC Duel In The Desert Small Boat	Small-Boat Distance	35 / 35					10	20	5
2022 Jericho Classic Iron OC6	OC6 Long- Distance	27 / 27	7	12	8	0	19	6	2
2022 Latitude 48 Island Iron OC6 (CORA Cup 2)	OC6 Long- Distance	27 / 27	3	19	0	5	19	8	0
2022 Latitude 48 Island Small Boats Race	Small-Boat Distance	29 / 32					20	7	5
2022 Lotus Iron OC6 (CORA Cup 3)	OC6 Long- Distance	27 / 27	1	13	9	4	18	9	0
2022 CORA Nationals Comox OC6 (CORA Cup 4)	OC6 Long- Distance	26 / 26	1	23	0	2	15	11	0
2022 CORA Nationals Comox Small Boat	Small-Boat Distance	45 / 45					22	18	5
2022 Lotus Poker Paddle	OC6 Mid- Distance	25 / 25	25	0	0	0	21	4	0
2022 Toronto IOC OC6 Race Results	OC6 Long- Distance	23 / 23	7	18	0	0	17	5	1
2022 Toronto IOC Small Boat	Small-Boat Distance	61 / 61					0	0	61
2022 L48 Bridges OC6	OC6 Mid- Distance	59 / 59	59	0	0	0	33	10	16
2022 L48 Bridges Small Boat	Small-Boat Distance	56 / 56					40	7	9
2022 FLCC Fall Run Small Boat	Small-Boat Distance	28 / 28					25	0	3
2022 FGPC Wet-Dashe	OC6 Mid- Distance	TBD							

Table Of 2022 Participation At All Virtual And In-Person Events

TRADITIONAL / UNLIMITED OC6 SCHISM TREND

There is becoming a "Traditional / Unlimited OC6 Schism" whereby CORA Sanctioned OC6 Distance Event host clubs should plan for participation based on the number of Unlimited OC6s that are available. This assertion is supported by empirical analysis as per the table of 2022 participation at all virtual and in-person events. Hosting Traditional OC6 Mid-Distance "canoes-provided" races is proving to be a winning formula.

- There is a reluctance to trailer / race Traditional OC6s for long-distance races.
- For the 2022 Comox Iron event, there were only 3 trailers that brought 6 Unlimited OC6s in total.
- For the 2022 Comox Iron event, there were 3 truck-toppers (Comox; FGPC; Island Brave) that brought 6 Unlimited OC6s (yet only 1 could utilize the Travel Grant amendments).
- For the 2022 Comox Iron event, even crews that had access to Unlimited OC6s (Jericho / Lotus / Powell River) borrowed other Unlimited OC6s.
- This "schism" is deterring many clubs (VOS; DZPC; Delta; FLCC; Harrison; Penticton; Kamloops; Nanaimo; Maple Bay; Sproat Lake) without Unlimited OC6s and unable to borrow Unlimited OC6s from doing CORA long-distance races (unless they can do a short-course in Traditional OC6).
- There were no 2022 CORA Cup Series Short-Course contenders.
- There is becoming a "Haves" and "Have-Nots" split. There are 6 Vancouver Island clubs (Latitude 48; Fairway Gorge; Geronimo; Island Brave; Comox; Wolf Pack) that have 10 Unlimited OC6s, while there are 7 Vancouver Island clubs (Pearson; VIP; VCKC; SLCC; Maple Bay; NOPC; NPC) that have Zero Unlimited OC6s. There are 4 Lower Mainland clubs (Jericho; Pac Reach; FCRCC (5); Lotus; that have 8 Unlimited OC6s, while there are 8 Lower Mainland clubs (VOS; DZPC; Delta; FLCC; Harrison; SNCC; Pemberton; Gibsons) that have Zero Unlimited OC6s. There are 3 Interior / Calgary clubs (KPC; Vernon; Calgary) that have 6 Unlimited OC6s, while there are 4 Interior / Calgary clubs (Kamloops; Penticton; Shuswap; Leduc) that have Zero Unlimited OC6s.
- There is becoming a reality where only clubs / crews with Unlimited OC6s or who are able to borrow Unlimited OC6s are doing CORA Distance Long Course races, while those clubs / crews without Unlimited OC6s are doing only the "canoes-provided" races such as IceBreaker V12; FGPC V12; March Madness; FLCC Spring Run; Waterman; Poker Paddle; Bridges; Wet-Dashe.
- Note that this is a PNWORCA "schism" as well with 8 PNWORCA clubs (Silverdale; Rikkole Cree; Bellingham; Kai Pana; Sand Point; Seattle Outrigger; Kikaha; Mountain Home; Hood River) that have 14 Unlimited OC6s, while there are 10 PNWORCA clubs (Puget Sound; Autumn Rose; Wakinikona; Bridge City; Wasabi; Kai Ikaika; Columbia River; Bend; Tri-Cities; Pacific City) that have Zero Unlimited OC6s.

BC FERRIES CHAOS IMPLICATIONS THEME

Removal of BC travel / gathering restrictions post-Pandemic has increased traffic on BC Ferries sailings while BC Ferries staffing shortages resulting from the Pandemic have combined to make BC Ferries challenging:

- Cancelled Sailings (weather-related) and Cancelled Sailings (maintenance-related) has led to unreliability and reduced the willingness of some travellers to ride BC Ferries.
- Smaller / older ferries have been used due to BC Ferries staff shortages and this has reduced deck capacity
- BC Ferries Reservation maximum % increased from 40% to 80-90% in 2022 due to removal of travel restrictions leading to higher travel demand leading to more travellers paying the Reservation Fee leading to less deck capacity for "No Rez" travellers leading to many sailing waits for "No Rez" travellers or paying the Reservation Fee.
- BC Ferries is now strongly enforcing "over-length" / "over-height" rules resulting in extra charges for 20+' small-boats.
- There is a <u>recommendation for inclusion of small-boats trailer for BC Ferries Travel Grant</u> to reduce the cost of multiple small-boats going to Vancouver Island / Lower Mainland / Sunshine Coast small-boat races.

• There is a <u>recommendation for amending the Travel Grant to provide for trailering via BC Ferries even for</u> short distances.

INTER-REGIONAL RACING TRAVEL CONCERNS

There have been concerns raised that there has been limited travel for races between Regions:

- Vancouver Island to Lower Mainland and Interior / Okanagan and Sunshine Coast
- Lower Mainland to Vancouver Island and Interior / Okanagan and Sunshine Coast
- Interior / Okanagan to Vancouver Island and Sunshine Coast and Lower Mainland
- Sunshine Coast to Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island and Interior / Okanagan

The <u>BC Ferries Chaos Implication</u> and the <u>Inflation Impact</u> topics of this CORA Race Review Report have identified some of the reasons for reduced participation by clubs at events that involve inter-regional travel. However, any perception that clubs from any one region are doing more or less inter-regional travel than clubs from another region does not appear to be substantiated. This assertion is supported by empirical analysis as per the table of 2022 participation at all virtual and in-person events.

2023 PLANNING

CORA Board is optimistic that we will return to normal by the beginning of the 2023 season. CORA Event Sanctioning requests will continue to be accepted until April 2023. However, CORA Board recognizes that clubs should be able to submit Event Sanctioning requests up to 2-3 weeks prior to their proposed event date as long as the proposed event date does not conflict with other prioritized CORA Sanctioned Events. CORA will be actively pursuing an Eastern Canada CORA Cup Series to engage Ontario / Quebec clubs and paddlers. CORA may be actively pursuing a BC Lower Mainland Sprints Regatta event this coming year or the following year at the Burnaby Lake Rowing Centre subject to interest by the paddling community.



2023 CORA Event Calendar

(as of November 20, 2022)

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Name of Race	Host Club	Proposed Date	Event Type					
Lotus Ice Breaker	Lotus Sports Club	Jan 14, 2023	V-12					
CORA Team Canada 2023 Samoa Camp #1	CORA – L48, Victoria	Jan 14-15, 2023	OC6					
PNWORCA WS #2	Jericho Paddle Club	Feb 4, 2023	Small Boats					
FGPC V12 to V21	Fairway Gorge Paddling Club	Feb 18, 2023	V-12					
CORA Team Canada 2023 Samoa Camp #2	CORA – Vancouver	March 4-5, 2023	OC6					
FGPC Kan U Hak It	Fairway Gorge Paddling Club	March 5, 2023	OC6 Sprint					
PNWORCA WS #5	False Creek Racing Canoe Club	March 11, 2023	Small Boats					
Crazy 8 and NPI Attack	Nanaimo Ocean Paddling Club	March 18-19, 2023	OC6 / Small Boats					
March Madness	False Creek Racing Canoe Club	April 1-2, 2023 (to be confirmed)	OC6					
Wake Up The Gorge	Victoria Canoe and Kayak Club	April 1-2, 2023 (to be confirmed)	OC6 / Small Boats					
CORA Team Canada 2023 Samoa Race-Off	CORA – Vancouver	April 15-16, 2023	OC6, possibly V1/OC1					
FLCC River Run	Fort Langley Canoe Club	April 22-23, 2023	OC6 / Small Boats					
D'Arcy Island Cash Dash	Latitude 48 Paddling Club	April 29, 2023	Small Boats					
Duel in the Desert	Penticton Racing Canoe Club	May 13-14, 2023	OC6 / Small Boats / CORA Cup (Interior)					
Jericho Iron	Jericho Paddle Club	May 27, 2023	OC6 / CORA Cup (Lower Mainland)					
Island Iron	Comox Valley Canoe Racing Club	June 10-11,2023 (to be confirmed)	OC6 / Small Boats / CORA Cup (V.I.)					
Lotus Iron*	Lotus Sports Club	July 22, 2023	OC6 / CORA Cup (Lower Mainland)					
FCRCC Around Bowen	False Creek Racing Canoe Club	July 29, 2023	OC6 / Small Boats					
IVF World Distance Championships	Samoa Outrigger Canoe Association	August 10-18, 2023	OC6 / V1					
Andrew MacPhail Memorial Chase Down	Penticton Racing Canoe Club	August 20, 2023	Small Boats					
Length of the Lake	Penticton Racing Canoe Club	Sept 3, 2023	OC6 / Small Boats					
Lotus Poker Paddle	Lotus Sports Club	Sept 16, 2023	OC6					
CORA Team Canada 2024 Hilo Time Trials	CORA - Calgary Canoe Club	Sept 16-17, 2023	V1 / OC1 / OC6					
Skaha Downwinder	Penticton Racing Canoe Club	Sept 24, 2023	Small Boats					
Bridges	Latitude 48 Paddling Club	Oct 21-22, 2023	OC6 / Small Boats					
FLCC Fall Small	Fort Langley Canoe Club	Oct 28, 2023	Small Boats					
FGPC WetDashe	Fairway Gorge Paddling Club	Nov 18-19, 2023	OC6 Dry Change					
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NOTE: * Lotus Iron may convert to CORA Distance Nationals (to be determined).

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(November 20, 2022)

(Maximum 15 Directors)

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4. Marianne Pilon, VYPC									
5. Jonathan Wilkins, FLCC									
6. Erik Ages, FGPC		\checkmark							
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8. Cindy Wright, ORPC		\checkmark							
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10. Tony Vukasovic, Lotus	Resigned Aug 4/22	\checkmark							
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12. Leanne Stanley, KPC			\checkmark						
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