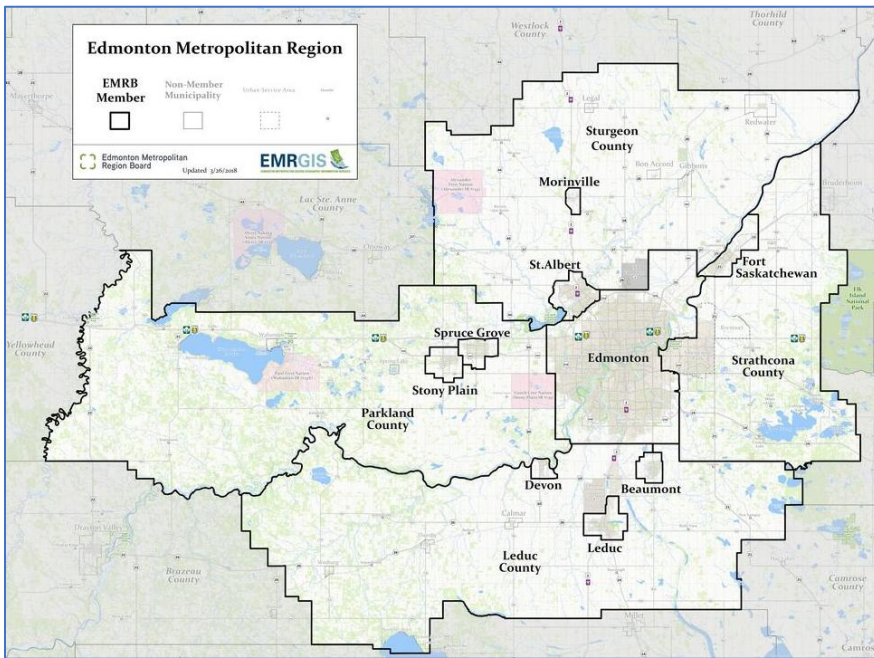


# The Alberta Story (1998-2025)

Much of this history was collected in a series of virtual interviews with Alberta paddlers Dan O'Donovan, Paul Dever, Lynda Roberts, Diane Anderson, John Roberts, and Gary Bagioni. Additional details were provided by various False Creek Racing Canoe Club (FCRCC) and Jericho Outrigger Canoe Club (JOCC) alumni and many other individuals with familiarity of the events of the early years of outrigger canoeing in Canada. Official records on Results for Canada / California / Hawaii / IPCF / IVF events prior to 2000 are becoming increasingly difficult to locate in order to confirm historical events / results.

The "*Alberta Region*" for the purposes of this story is defined as encompassing paddling venues at Edmonton, Leduc, and Calgary



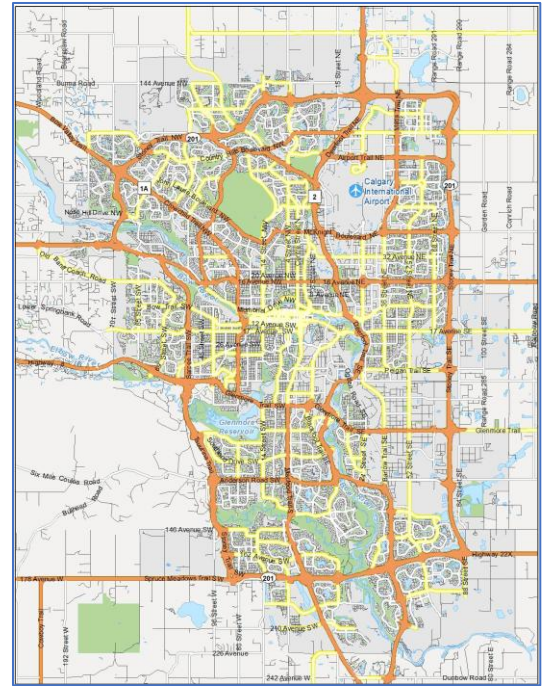
The Edmonton Metropolitan Region (EMR), also commonly referred to as Greater Edmonton or Metro Edmonton, is a conglomeration of municipalities centred on Edmonton, the capital of the Canadian province of Alberta. Located within central Alberta and at the northern end of the Calgary–Edmonton Corridor, the EMR is both the northernmost metropolitan area in Canada and the northernmost metropolitan area in North America with a population of over one million. The Greater Edmonton Area encompasses a number of communities including Beaumont, Devon, Edmonton, Fort Saskatchewan, Leduc, Spruce Grove, and St. Albert.

Leduc has 30,000 residents (doubling since 1999) and has an enviable location on Highway 2 to Calgary at the south end of Edmonton and is part of the Edmonton Metropolitan Region, but is also home to Edmonton's International Airport. Leduc's residents live 33KM south of the provincial capital of Edmonton, just east of both Highway 2 and the Edmonton International Airport. The Leduc name was first given the telegraph station established in Leduc in 1890. The town now has two aquatic centres, a world-class curling facility and several parks and recreational areas, including Telford Lake.

Edmonton lies on the Yellowhead Highway (#16), the northern Trans-Canada Highway. The route through town is basically a limited access expressway passing through Edmonton's northside suburbs. Edmonton is a city of about 1,300,000 people. The central attraction of the city is the deep, wide North Saskatchewan River Valley that carves its way through the city. Edmonton's downtown overlooks the north bank of the river, and its Old Strathcona historical and shopping and entertainment district (and the University of Alberta) overlooks the south bank. Edmonton is famous for it being the home of the West Edmonton Mall, the largest shopping mall in the world, with over 800 stores and services. Edmonton International Airport (YEG) is Canada's fifth-busiest airport, serving 8.2 million passengers every year and offers non-stop flights to more than 50 destinations around the globe.

Calgary is a city of 1,200,000, located within breathtaking sight of the Canadian Rockies. The city's population has doubled over the past 20 years, when it hosted the 1988 Winter Olympics. The Trans-Canada Highway through Calgary includes some magnificent views in the west as it climbs up and down some rolling foothills, a bunch of traffic lights in the Montgomery area below Canada Olympic Park, a maze of traffic lights (and lots of road-widening construction activity in

2009) along 16th Avenue North from the area known as Motel Village by Crowchild Trail east to Deerfoot Trail (which goes north to Edmonton, and south to the US border and the southern Crowsnest Pass route through the mountains). Fast-forward to the 2000s: The city has a Ring Road around the northern suburbs, accessed in the west at Stoney Trail (just west of Canada Olympic Park), and in the east at 84th Avenue East. This route opened in late 2009 and is designated as Highway 201, runs 43KM (and skips 22KM along the 16th Avenue Route) zipping travellers north of the Airport and around Calgary's exploding suburbs. While it looks like a big detour, this route has no traffic lights and is faster during rush hours. Calgary International Airport (YYC) is the largest airport in Alberta, located 17KM (10.6 mi) from downtown Calgary. It's the third-busiest airport in Canada, with service to more than 80 destinations worldwide and 18 million passengers served annually. [011] [012] [013] [014]



## Alberta Paddling Clubs

The club legacies that CORA had compiled in past years had been very much about individual clubs (False Creek; Lotus; Jericho; Penticton; Ocean River; Comox) with some "cross-over" references to other canoe clubs where there were connections. The "*Alberta Legacy*" is quite different. There is much literature that connects Calgary / Edmonton / Leduc under an "*Alberta Region*" such that the clubs from this area (Calgary; Edmonton; Leduc) - even though there are long distances between clubs - should be combined into a collective "*Alberta Legacy*" document. The connections between these clubs - the Clipper Advantage OC6s, the 2005 Edmonton World Masters Games, the Bradley Lightning OC6s, the 2012 Calgary IVF World Sprints - all form threads through these clubs. This chronicle has a "Chapter" each for Calgary and Edmonton and Leduc within this document the "*Alberta Legacy*".

## Roots / Threads / Chapters

This chronicle is intended to capture unwritten history of outrigger canoeing in the "*Alberta Region*" from 1998-2025, as records from prior to 2000 are becoming more and more scarce. The history of outrigger canoeing in the "*Alberta Region*" is linked with two recent generations of six-person outrigger canoes that have been acquired by clubs. The 3rd-generation Canadian six-person outrigger canoes, the Clipper Advantage, would be acquired by the Calgary and Leduc clubs. The 5th-generation Canadian six-person outrigger canoes, the Pogue Sports Bradley Lightning, would be acquired by the Calgary and Leduc clubs. The Giblin Vortex Unlimited OC6 would be acquired by the Calgary club. There are four paths / threads / chapters that converged to lead to the development of outrigger canoeing in the "*Alberta Region*".



1. 2005 Edmonton World Masters Games
2. OC6 Huki "Tomahawk" Ama
3. Calgary Canoe Club (CCC)
4. Leduc Boat Club (LBC)
5. Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC)

## 2005 Edmonton World Masters Games Chapter

The World Masters Games is an international multi-sport event held every four years which, in terms of competitor numbers, has developed into the largest of its kind. Governed by the International Masters Games Association (IMGA), the World Masters Games is open to sports people of all abilities and most ages - the minimum age criteria ranges between 25 and 35 years depending on the sport. Participants compete for themselves - there are no country delegations. Beyond the age requirement and membership in that sport's governing body, there are no competition qualification requirements. Toronto staged the first World Masters Games in 1985. Since then, World Masters Games has also taken place in Aalborg / Aarhus / Herning (1989), Brisbane (1994), Portland Oregon (1998), Melbourne (2002), Edmonton (2005) and Sydney (2009). The 2009 Sydney World Masters Games attracted a record 28,676 competitors. This is more than double the number of competitors that took part in the 2000 Sydney Olympic Games. The Games have been popular with retired professional athletes and former Olympic competitors, with over 230 past Olympians taking part in the 2009 edition.

The 2005 Edmonton World Masters Games was notable for many reasons:

- The event attracted a record-setting 21,600 competitors at the time from 89 countries. Competitions were held in 27 sports at over 60 separate venues, with competitors ranging in age from 25-96 years.
- The event exceeded most projected Key Performance Indicators.
- The event offered an extensive suite of Canoe / Kayak Flatwater Sprints and Distance events.
- The event offered for the first-time, War Canoe (C15) and one-person Outrigger Canoe (OC1) and six-person Outrigger Canoe (OC6) events.



GO Rowing & Paddling Association of Canada (GO) existed from 1996 to 2014 with a mission to "engage and participate in activities and projects that support, promote and advance rowing and paddling sports in Canada". GO was a non-profit Amateur Athletic Association, and registered charity, dedicated to sharing the benefits of sport with Canadians of all ages and athletic abilities. Concentrating on rowing & paddling sports, GO strived to encourage participation, personal challenge, and the pursuit of excellence from the grass-roots to the Olympic podium. The story of how this foundation was formed through the generous support of Peter (Canadian Rowing Hall of Fame Inductee) and Marilyn Copland in order to build the sports of rowing and paddling in Canada, is told in the "*Nanaimo Story*" CORA Legacy document.

The event organizers provided for eight Clipper C-Lion 2nd-generation sit-inside one-person outrigger canoes and six Clipper Advantage six-person outrigger canoes. There is the storyline still to be pieced together as to **where did the four Clipper Advantage six-person outrigger canoes that displayed the GO insignia come from and where did they go to** after the 2005 Edmonton World Masters Games. The **same question applies to the eight Clipper C-Lion 2nd-generation sit-inside one-person outrigger canoes**. The Canoe / Kayak Flatwater Sprints and Distance events were attended by a huge contingent of well-known Canadian paddlers (Al Birtles; Barb Alley; Barry Leslie; Bob Woodman; Brent Bagnall; Brian Henry; Darryl Spencer; David Halpern; David Hill; Dennis Silvestrone; Florida Town; Hugh Fisher; Hugh Town; Ian Mackenzie; John Roberts; Karen Simpson; Kathryn Ginther; Ken Crosby; Kim Crumpton; Manfred Hartmann; Melanie Whittall; Nancy Botting; Neda Joss; Pat McLellan; Rama Gilverson; Risa Greenwood; Robert Stewart; Ronald (Nanaimo) Williams; Ronald (Smithers) Williams; Ronald Pronger; Rosemary Henry; Sheila Kuyper; Stan Machacek; Susan Milligan; Tammy Hartmann; Wendy Perkins) and International paddlers (Andras Toro; Cameron Taylor; Cheance Adair; Dee Van Winkle; Siobhan Thomas; Traci Cole). [101] [102] [103] [104] [105] [106] [107] [108] [109]

**2005 Edmonton World Masters Games Canoeing Flatwater Sprints  
Eight Clipper C-Lion 2nd-Generation Sit-Inside One-Person Outrigger Canoes [111]**



Clipper C-Lion OC1 #2 (Teal) / #3 (Lime)



Clipper C-Lion OC1 #4 (White) / #5 (Red) / #7 (Red)



Clipper C-Lion OC1 #6 (Red) / #7 (Red) / #2 (Teal) / #8 (White)



Clipper C-Lion OC1 #8 (White) / #2 (Teal) / #1 (White)

**2005 Edmonton World Masters Games Canoeing Flatwater Sprints  
Six Clipper Advantage Six-Person Outrigger Canoes [112]**



GO White-Deck / White-Hull Clipper Advantage OC6 (Red-Top Clipper Ama) #2



Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) Red-Deck / White-Hull (A11) Clipper Advantage OC6 (Red-Top Clipper Ama) #3



Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) Red-Deck / White-Hull (A12) Clipper Advantage OC6 (Huki Tomahawk Ama) #4



GO Red-Deck / White-Hull Clipper Advantage OC6 (Huki Tomahawk Ama) #5



GO Red-Deck / White-Hull Clipper Advantage OC6 (Huki Tomahawk Ama) #6



GO Red-Deck / White-Hull Clipper Advantage OC6 (Black-Line Clipper Ama) #7

## OC6 Huki "Tomahawk" Ama

There is a thread that runs through not only the "*Alberta Region*" CORA Legacy document, but also through many of the other CORA Legacy documents. Six-person canoe designs have been evolving for decades, but six-person canoes raced in Hawaiian regattas and many long distance races must meet the specifications of the HCRA (Hawaiian Canoe Racing Association). The distance between the two Wae (spreaders) had become standardized as new six-person canoe hulls were introduced after the original Malia, such that the set of ama / iakos are generally interchangeable between traditional six-person canoe hulls. Most six-person canoe hull designers / manufacturers had developed a set of ama / iakos specifically suited to the traditional six-person canoe hulls that they had designed / manufactured. However, there were a confluence of events that happened in the late 1990s and early 2000s, which led to the introduction of a unique set of ama / iakos for traditional six-person canoe hulls, that began appearing all over North America.

With the onset of the COVID Global Pandemic in early 2020, the CORA Race Committee embarked on a process to deliver and up-to-date Canadian Outrigger Canoe (big-boat) Registry which had not been reviewed since 2010. At the very same time, the CORA Historical Committee was formed to collect / document the individuals / clubs / canoes / events that had shaped the history of Canadian outrigger canoeing history from the 1970s through to present day. The efforts of the CORA Race Committee to deliver the big-boat (six-person; four-person) Specifications Registry and the Photos Registry, overlapped with the efforts of the CORA Historical Committee with regards to documenting the outrigger canoe fleet for the Canadian outrigger canoe clubs. [151] [152] [153] [154] [155] [156] [157] [158]

A theme had developed with regards to traditional six-person canoe hulls from the late 1990s and early 2000s, and that theme was the appearance of the OC6 Huki "Tomahawk" Ama. Whereas photos from American venues showed Pacific Islander and Force Five and Hawaiian Class Racer and Bradley Lightning hulls rigged with the OC6 Huki Ama, photos from Canadian venues predominantly showed Clipper Advantage hulls rigged with the OC6 Huki Ama. Liberty Challenge social media shows a Pacific Islander and a Hawaiian Class Racer rigged with the OC6 Huki Ama. Dragon Sports USA social media shows a Hawaiian Class Racer rigged with the OC6 Huki Ama. This theme of the Clipper Advantage hull rigged with the OC6 Huki Ama was most noticeable at the 2005 Edmonton World Masters Games Canoeing Flatwater Sprints. Three of the six Clipper Advantage hulls at this event (1 with Calgary Canoe Club insignia; 2 with GO insignia) were rigged with the OC6 Huki Ama. Prior to the research on the "*Alberta Region*" CORA Legacy document, the CORA Historical Committee had documented a Vancouver Island Paddling (VIP) Clipper Advantage, a Delta Outrigger Kanu Association (DOKA) Clipper Advantage, a Vernon Paddling Centre (VPC) Clipper Advantage, and a Kelowna Paddle Centre (KPC) Clipper Advantage rigged with the OC6 Huki Ama. Sunnyside Paddling Club and Wiki Wiki Wa'a in the Greater Toronto Area (GTA) had each owned the very same Bradley Lightning ("Spirit of Sunita") which was photographed rigged with a Hawaiian Hawk ama and a OC6 Huki Ama at different venues.



As per the "*Nanaimo Region*" CORA Legacy document, GO Rowing & Paddling Association of Canada (GO) and Foundation 2000 Plus had existed from 1996 to 2014 with a mission to "engage and participate in activities and projects that support, promote and advance rowing and paddling sports in Canada". Many of the paddling clubs that were supported by GO Rowing & Paddling Association of Canada (GO) had acquired Clipper Advantage OC6s. GO Rowing & Paddling Association of Canada (GO) may have requested more Clipper Advantage OC6s and iakos /ama sets than Western Canoe Kayaking (Clipper Canoes) could deliver in the in the late 1990s and early 2000s, leading to another ama / iakos supplier becoming part of the picture.



Huki Outrigger Canoes and Surfskis, a custom high-performance outrigger canoe and surfski manufacturer, was founded by Jude Turczynski and Jerry Montgomery in the early 2000s. The company is based in Sacramento CA USA, and operates as a factory-direct business. Huki Outrigger Canoes and Surfskis has manufactured one-person outrigger canoes, two-person outrigger canoes, one-person surfskis, and two-person surfskis. It was during the early days of the COVID Global Pandemic in 2020, that the CORA Historical Committee reached out to Jude Turczynski for some background on the OC6

Huki "Tomahawk" Ama and learned the following directly from Jude Turczynski himself. "I designed that OC6 Huki Ama before I created Huki. It was the first thing Huki ever made and sold. It was my initial dab into manufacturing paddlesports equipment, to see if such an endeavor might work out. Those OC6 Huki Amas made me famous. After a year and a half of making OC6 Huki amas, I put OC1's into production, then OC2's, then surfskis. Four or five years after starting the OC6 Huki amas, we stopped producing them. The OC6 Huki Amas in Canada were sold direct from me to individual clubs at first, then for a couple years through the people who owned Advantage canoes, but the OC6 Huki Amas were always made in my Sacramento Factory and shipped by a variety of methods."



VI Paddling BC Clipper (Melina) With Huki Ama



Delta BC Clipper With Huki Ama



Kelowna BC Clipper (Glen Mervyn) With Huki Ama



Vernon BC Clipper (Okanagan) With Huki Ama



Sunnyside / Wiki Wiki Wa'a ON Lightning With Huki Ama



Calgary AB Clipper (#4; A12) With Huki Ama



GO Leduc AB Clipper (#6) With Huki Ama



GO Leduc AB Clipper (#5) With Huki Ama



Pacific Islander (NYO) With Huki Ama



Hawaiian Class Racer (NYO) With Huki Ama



Hawaiian Class Racer (N4) With Huki Ama



DSUSA Hawaiian Class Racer With Huki Ama

## Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) Chapter

This chronicle is intended to capture unwritten history of outrigger canoeing at Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) from 1998-2025. There have been at least 4 eras in the growth of multi-disciplinary paddlesports at Calgary Canoe Club (CCC). **The first era** would be the establishment of the club in 1958, and the acquisition of the venue and the construction of the clubhouse in 1959, and the introduction of the flatwater / whitewater programs in the early days. The history of that first era is captured on the "Club History" page of the Calgary Canoe Club (CCC). That page is not readily accessible via the website navigation and has been included verbatim below so as to preserve / archive that history.



*"In 1957, a group of us were touring Alberta rivers using our own canoes and kayaks. Chris Von Schoening had quite a following of Klepper kayaks but most of us had wood and canvas canoes. The spur to forming a canoe club came when we organized the Banff to Calgary race, and in 1958, we registered the Calgary Canoe Club (changed briefly to Calgary Canoe and Kayak Club). We developed races whenever we could with no meeting place except members homes. Initial memberships cost \$3. Believe it or not, we lost a few people when we started charging this princely sum.*

*As years went by, we felt it would make good sense to have a safer spot to train novices in the skills of safe canoeing. I wrote to the Canadian Canoe Association and heard back from their secretary Frank Clement, who suggested we look at flatwater racing. He came by to see Glenmore Reservoir, offered us a loan of \$2500 to help us buy original flatwater canoes and kayaks (Chris Von Schoening and I put our names on the line for this first loan), and we progressed from there. Boats were stored in my back yard and we could top them to Glenmore down a track, where the club is now (thought to be Sam Livingston's access to his farm), through dense bushes to the water.*

*With a little pressure from home, I approached Harry Bootham, Calgary's Parks Superintendent, saying we wanted to build a boat house on the shores of the reservoir. He had been most helpful in helping us locate a Rugby Clubhouse at Kingsland, but was not in favor of our locating on the north shore. Instead, he wanted us to locate with the sailors on the south shore. The Rowing Club was forming at the time and Dave Matthews came up with a wind study which showed the sheltered water on the north side.*

*Dave had spotted an old construction shed near the waterworks building which was full of black filtrate (coal dust). The shed was used when Glenmore Dam was being built in 1930 and was good in frame only. The city had just sold the building to an entrepreneur and Dave persuaded the man not to buy it. Then we went to city council to persuade them that we needed the sheltered north shore location. Ron Farran was on the council then, Jack Leslie was the mayor, and with five minutes to speak against the Parks proposal, we carried the day. Bill Wearmouth agreed to move the building, but Harry Bootham came behind us hook, line, and sinker. City Parks bulldozed an area, moved the building and re-furbished it, garage door and all. We determined that one side was for the Canoe Club, the other for the Rowing Club.*

*Extensions came in Bert Matthews' day, and with gas and electricity when Ray Palmer became Commodore. Thereafter we were badgered by on city commissioner to put toilets in at our expense. After pointing out that this was financially impossible, the city decided to look into toilets for the two clubs and the public using the park. A study developed into a plan, from toilets, to toilets with a change room and showers, to the architectural draft we have today. Ray Palmer, Dave Matthews and myself lobbied local politicians and Parks' Dave Kalinovitch and were successful in getting the fine facilities we have now.*

*Many people contributed to the club's progress: Roberts Sims with whitewater, Herb Benthin with wilderness appreciation, Bert Matthews with the flatwater program, and Ray Palmer with political clout and the school board program. No one person does it all, but people working together make a club." - John Dicey [201] [202]*

The second era would be the emergence of the competitive Sprint Canoe/Kayak programs in the mid/late-1980s. During the worst of the COVID Global Pandemic (early/mid/late 2020), the CORA Historical Committee was building a massive collection of Canadian outrigger canoeing history. Background on the Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) competitive Sprint Canoe/Kayak programs in the 1980s was provided in an interview with Dan O'Donovan in 2020 during research on the growth of outrigger canoeing in Vancouver BC, and the content of that interview had been incorporated into the "False Creek Story" CORA Legacy document. That section of the "False Creek Story" CORA Legacy document is relevant to Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) history and has been included verbatim below so as to preserve / archive that history.

We know that Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) in the late 1980s had formed one of the top sprint canoe/kayak clubs in Western Canada including Kamini Jain, Paul Dever, and Jackie Webber, led by captain Dan O'Donovan. There are several web articles that mention these paddlers in the 1987 Western Canada Summer Games. Sometime between 1987 and 1992, this group of sprint canoe/kayak paddlers moved to Vancouver to join the False Creek Sprint Canoe Club (Society). [211]

EdSton George Blych  
CALGARY, AUGUST 16, 1987

# Hall's canoeists make big splash

By Vance Oliver  
*(Herald staff writer)*

City officials need not worry. Orenda's head coach Tony Hall says he was ivory-clean when team members threw him in the Glenmore Reservoir on Saturday to herald the club's supremacy at the national canoeing championships.

Hall led his Lake Echo, N.S., team to the Aggregate Burgess victory with 117 points, easily outdistancing second-place Mississauga by 22 points. Rideau Canoe Club of Ottawa finished third with 123 points while the Calgary Canoe Club finished 14th — among 26 clubs — with 16 points.

"It's a dream come true," said the 27-year-old Hall. "There are only 700 families in our community at Lake Echo, but everyone, I mean everyone, works together for this club."

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Meanwhile, Steve Wastoneys and Tim Hodgson of Ottawa's Rideau Canoe Club captured gold in the senior men's C-2 (canoe pairs) 1000 metres in 4:04.04 — almost two seconds ahead of Vancouver's Drew Mitchell and Peter Liljedahl.

Later in the day, Wastoneys and Hodgson teamed up with Peter McCulgan and Tom Holerek to finish second in the senior men's C-4 1000 metres.

On Friday, Wastoneys and Hodgson won the senior men's C-2 500-event.

**NOTES:** More than 700 paddlers from 26 canoe clubs across the country took part in the three-day regatta.



Bruce Shlesburn, Calgary Herald

Winner Lisa Stott gets big hug from brother Rob



Orenda's Bryan Burns and Glen Girard push hard en route to victory in the C-2 1,000 metre juvenile men's event

Western Canada Summer Games Glenmore Reservoir Calgary AB August 1987

We have taken the liberty of preserving the Calgary Herald clipping of that 1987 event as web articles all too often disappear.

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WESTERN CANADA SUMMER GAMES - TEAM ALBERTA					
Use the drop down arrows to sort the list by sport, name, hometown, role or year.					
First Name	Last Name	Hometown	Sport	Role	Year
Susan	Bornemisza	Alberta	Canoeing	Athlete	1987
Jon	Davies	Alberta	Canoeing	Athlete	1987
Paul	Dever	Alberta	Canoeing	Athlete	1987
Lara	Gammon	Alberta	Canoeing	Athlete	1987
Gillian	Hamilton	Alberta	Canoeing	Athlete	1987
John	Jackson	Alberta	Canoeing	Athlete	1987
David	Jaeger	Alberta	Canoeing	Athlete	1987
Kamini	Jain	Alberta	Canoeing	Athlete	1987
Brad	Kilb	Alberta	Canoeing	Athlete	1987
Doug	Luijckx	Alberta	Canoeing	Athlete	1987
Daniel	O'Donovan	Alberta	Canoeing	Athlete	1987
Bridget	Saunders	Alberta	Canoeing	Athlete	1987
Sean	Tosh	Alberta	Canoeing	Athlete	1987
Henryk	Rek	Alberta	Canoeing	Coach	1987
Deidre	Richardson	Alberta	Canoeing	Manager	1987

Western Canada Summer Games 1987 Alberta participants (Paul Dever, Kamini Jain, Dan O'Donovan, etc.) [221] [222]











The growth of False Creek Racing Canoe Club (FCRCC) and Jericho Outrigger Canoe Club (JOCC) in the early 1990s has origins going back to a core group of members of the Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) in the late 1980s including Kamini Jain, Paul Dever, Jackie Webber, and team captain Dan O'Donovan. Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) had the top "War Canoe" or C15 or WC crew in Western Canada during the late 1980s. Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) would take second place in "War Canoe" at the Canadian Canoe Championships in 1986 (Toronto), 1987 (Calgary), 1989 (Montreal). Kamini Jain and Jackie Webber would medal in K1 / K2 / K4 year-after-year with Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) between 1984-1989. [231] [232] [233]

**Women's**

<a href="#">C15 500m</a>	2:05.96	<b>Tony Hall Captain</b>  Orenda Racing C.C.	<b>Dan O'Donovan Captain</b>  Calgary C.C.	<b>John MacNeil Captain</b>  Mic Mac A.A.C.
<a href="#">K1 500m</a>	2:11.10	<b>Sheila Taylor</b>  Burnaby A.C.	<b>Louise Verity</b>  Rideau C.C.	<b>Kamini Jain</b>  Calgary C.C.
<a href="#">K2 500m</a>	2:00.42	<b>Bridgitte Bernier, Michele Hamilton</b>  Sherbrooke C.C.	<b>Nancy De Jeu, Christine Granger</b>  Chateauguay B.C.	<b>Gail Pringle, Louise Hine</b>  Rideau C.C.
<a href="#">K4 500m</a>	1:51:70	<b>Gail Pringle, Anne Bowness Katie Deering, Ingrid Ermanovics</b>  Rideau C.C.	<b>Sheila Taylor, Sue Buchan Helena Matson, Carina Matson</b>  Burnaby A.C.	<b>Nancy De Jeu, Christine Granger Natacha Tremblay, Kerry Manchip</b>  Chateauguay B.C.
















*1986 Canadian Canoe Championships (Toronto)*

**Women's**

<a href="#">C15 500m</a>	2:06.56	<b>John MacDonald Captain</b>  Mississauga C.C.	<b>Dan O'Donovan Captain</b>  Calgary C.C.	<b>Kevin Bonang Captain</b>  Mic Mac A.A.C.
<a href="#">K1 500m</a>	2:05.06	<b>Caroline Brunet</b>  Sherbrooke C.C.	<b>Cindy Leonard</b>  Rideau C.C.	<b>Nancy DeJeu</b>  Chateauguay B.C.
<a href="#">K2 500m</a>	1:58.14	<b>Cindy Leonard, Katie Deering</b>  Rideau C.C.	<b>Nancy Botting, Rachel Jewell</b>  Mississauga C.C.	<b>Trena Josey, Laura Josey</b>  Banook C.C.
<a href="#">K4 500m</a>	1:56:33	<b>Leslie-Ann Young, Jennifer Kilgar Zandra Rubinger, Joanne Trider</b>  Orenda Racing C.C.	<b>Gillian Hamilton, Lara Gammon Susan Bornemisza, Kamini Jain</b>  Calgary C.C.	<b>Trena Josey, Laura Josey Camille Josey, Christina Frail</b>  Banook C.C.

*1987 Canadian Canoe Championships (Calgary)*

**Women's**

<a href="#">C4 500m</a>	2:26.815	<b>Karen Irwin, Jill Barclay Sue Hvalenka, Liz Loek</b>  Mississauga C.C.	<b>Shelley Hiltz, Kathy Bradbrook Anne Flemming, Kathy Flemming</b>  Banook C.C.	<b>Sue Harris, Paige Hersey Jennifer Eby, Grace Tanouye</b>  Burloak C.C.
<a href="#">C15 500m</a>	2:07.922	<b>Rob Baert Captain</b>  Banook C.C.	<b>Dan O'Donovan Captain</b>  Calgary C.C.	<b>Bill Cole Captain</b>  Rideau C.C.
<a href="#">K1 500m</a>	1:58.906	<b>Kevyn Stafford</b>  Calgary C.C.	<b>Marie-Josée Gibeau</b>  Lachine R.C.C.	<b>Nancy Botting</b>  Orenda Racing C.C.
<a href="#">K2 500m</a>	1:52.330	<b>Corinna Carignan, Tessa DeSouza</b>  Sherbrooke C.C.	<b>Laura Hodgson, Tanya Hermann</b>  Rideau C.C.	<b>Zandra Rubinger, Joanne Trider</b>  Mic Mac A.A.C.
<a href="#">K4 500m</a>	1:49.654	<b>Corrina Kennedy, Stephanie Rusu Cynthia Belbin, Fiona Woods</b>  Saskatoon R.C.C.	<b>Katie Greer, Lesley Ann McLeod Tanya Hermann, Lucy Slade</b>  Rideau C.C.	<b>Kelly O'Leary, Andrea Corbin Kim Cook, Vicki Martin</b>  Orenda Racing C.C.

*1989 Canadian Canoe Championships (Montreal)*

The third era would be the acquisition of outrigger canoes and the introduction of the outrigger canoeing program as of 1999. The timeline on events may need to be confirmed, but it is known from "The Sunshine Coast Story" CORA Legacy document, that Ed Hill of Gibsons Paddle Club (GPC), and Lynne Smith as well as James van Nostrand of Western Canoe & Kayak (Clipper Canoes) collaborated to organize the first ever Howe Sound Challenge for the summer of 1999. Background

on the introduction of Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) outrigger canoeing programs was provided in a write-up by Gary Biagioni of Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) in 2025.

As a member of the Calgary Canoe Club (CCC), John Roberts was the main force in starting the outrigger canoeing program in 1999. John was an accomplished canoeist competing in marathon canoe races, when after a few trips to Hawaii he caught the outrigger canoeing bug, primarily due to the Aloha that he experienced in Hawaii. John recruited five other paddlers and attended the Gibson's Howe Sound Challenge on the BC coast, borrowing a six-person outrigger canoe from Western Canoe & Kayak (Clipper Canoes) as Gibson's inaugural race in 1999. John then acquired and donated two Clipper Advantage six-person outrigger canoes to the Calgary Canoe Club (CCC), thereby introducing the members to outrigger canoeing. To provide OC1 canoes for the club, John and some other members built five OC1 canoes from SeaSpray sailboat hulls, modifying them with fiberglass and using a tin can for a rudder. [241] [242]

**The fourth era** would be the ongoing growth of outrigger canoe racing / participation / fleets in Alberta as an outcome of the 2005 Edmonton World Masters Games and the 2012 Calgary IVF World Sprints Championships. The 2005 Edmonton World Masters Games is covered above in the Chapter dedicated to that event. The 2012 Calgary IVF World Sprints Championships is covered below in the section on Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) Events.

Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) was established in 1959 and is a non-profit organization that continues to evolve to provide training and promote excellence in various competitive paddling disciplines (Sprint Canoe/Kayak; Outrigger Canoe; Dragon Boat), and provides the opportunity to all members of the community to experience lifelong learning skills through paddling. The Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) is situated in the heart of Calgary on the Glenmore Reservoir and located in the North Glenmore Park. This location offers 14KM of shoreline to paddle, sweeping views of the Foothills and Rocky Mountains, and a nature reserve at the doorstep (Weaselhead Flats).

Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) offers Adult Dragon Boating Corporate Sessions, Adult Outrigger Canoeing Corporate Sessions, Adult Outrigger Canoeing Programs, Adult Recreational Canoe/Kayak Corporate Sessions, Adult Sprint Canoe/Kayak Programs, School/Group Dragon Boating Sessions, School/Group Recreational Canoe/Kayak Sessions, Youth Learn 2 Paddle Camps, and Youth Sprint Canoe/Kayak Programs.

Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) is affiliated with many partner organizations. Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) is a member of the Sprint Canoe/Kayak governing bodies, Alberta Sprint Racing Association (ASRCA) and the National Sport Organization (NSO) Canoe Kayak Canada (CKC). Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) is also a member of the Canadian Outrigger Racing Association (CORA). [244]

## **Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) Outrigger Canoe Fleet**

Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) has had a steady progression in their six-person Outrigger Canoe Fleet. Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) would acquire two red-deck / white-hull Clipper Advantage OC6s when John Roberts donated them to the club in 1999. Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) would acquire four Bradley Lightning OC6s (1 green-deck / white-hull; 1 teal-deck / white-hull; red-deck / white-hull; 1 white-deck / white-hull) from Pogue Sports shortly before the 2012 Calgary IVF World Sprints Championships. Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) would acquire two Giblin Vortex Unlimited OC6s (1 yellow-deck / black-hull; 1 grey-deck / white-hull) circa 2017 very shortly after the boom began in Unlimited OC6s. Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) would acquire one Kai Wa'a Hydra Unlimited OC6 in early-2026 via an Amateur Sport Grant from Parks Foundation Calgary.

Note that a very detailed online manual on Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) history / background **indicates that there are five Bradley Lightning OC6s** (Ka Mana O Haiku; (Spirit of Haiku) / Green deck; Mana Kia'i O Mauna; (Guardian Spirit of the Mountains) / Teal deck; Makani Mele Mahakea; (Prairie Wind Song) / Green deck; Mana Kia'i O Kahiko; (Guardian Spirit of the Elders) / Red deck; Hu Mai Ke Aloha no ka Maui; (Love of Maui Rises Forth) / White deck) in their six-person Outrigger Canoe Fleet. [246] It has been confirmed that the Bradley Lightning Ka Mana O Haiku; (Spirit of Haiku) / Green deck is located on Maui for use on visits to Hawaii Outrigger Canoe Voyaging Society (HOCVS).



*Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) Red-Deck / White-Hull (A11) (Hana Hau Oli) Clipper Advantage OC6 (Red-Top Clipper Ama)*



*Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) Red-Deck / White-Hull (A12) (Ka Ohi Lani) Clipper Advantage OC6 (Huki Tomahawk Ama)*



*Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) Red-Deck / White-Hull (Mana Kia'i O Kahiko) Bradley Lightning OC6 (701)*



Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) Green-Deck / White-Hull (Makani Mele Mahakea) Bradley Lightning OC6 (702)



Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) Teal-Deck / White-Hull (Mana Kia'i O Mauna) Bradley Lightning OC6 (703)



Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) White-Deck / White-Hull (Hu Mai Ke Aloha no Kai Maui) Bradley Lightning OC6 (704)



Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) Yellow-Deck / Black-Hull (747) (Lupo Hau) Giblin Vortex OC6



Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) Grey-Deck / White-Hull (777) (Elepaio) Giblin Vortex OC6



Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) Black-Deck / Black-Hull / Floral Pattern (762) (Hui Lanakila) Kai Wa'a Hydra Unlimited OC6

## Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) Events

Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) has hosted CORA Sanctioned events, but Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) has never hosted any CORA Sanctioned Racing events. This is a subtle distinction. Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) has been an excellent venue for CORA IVF World Sprints Qualifying / Time Trials events, but the distance between Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) and the nearest racing venues such as the "Thompson / Okanagan / Shuswap Region" (with 5 CORA Clubs; 25+ big-boats), has made it more

practical for Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) to travel with their outrigger canoes to other regions where a number of CORA Sanctioned Racing events are being hosted by a number of CORA Clubs, than for clubs from other regions to travel with their outrigger canoes to the "Alberta Region" where there has been only Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) doing six-person outrigger canoe racing.

### **CORA IVF World Sprints Qualifying / Time Trials**

However, Calgary Canoe Club (CCC), has hosted CORA IVF World Sprints Qualifying / Time Trials events many times. CORA records are sparse on this topic, but CORA IVF World Sprints Qualifying / Time Trials for 2014 Rio IVF World Sprints were held at Burnaby Lake in 2013, and CORA IVF World Sprints Qualifying / Time Trials for 2016 Australia IVF World Sprints were held at Burnaby Lake in 2015. The Burnaby Lake Venue had been in a state of decline for many years due to the detrimental effects of invasive Eurasian watermilfoil. It is highly likely that CORA IVF World Sprints Qualifying / Time Trials for 2008 Sacramento IVF World Sprints were held at Glenmore Reservoir in 2007, and CORA IVF World Sprints Qualifying / Time Trials for 2010 New Caledonia IVF World Sprints were held at Glenmore Reservoir in 2009, and CORA IVF World Sprints Qualifying / Time Trials for 2012 Calgary IVF World Sprints were held at Glenmore Reservoir in 2011, and CORA IVF World Sprints Qualifying / Time Trials for 2018 Tahiti IVF World Sprints were held at Glenmore Reservoir in 2017, and CORA IVF World Sprints Qualifying / Time Trials for 2020 Hilo IVF World Sprints (COVID Cancellation) were held at Glenmore Reservoir in 2019, and CORA IVF World Sprints Qualifying / Time Trials for 2022 London IVF World Sprints were held at Glenmore Reservoir in 2021, and CORA IVF World Sprints Qualifying / Time Trials for 2024 Hilo IVF World Sprints were held at Glenmore Reservoir in 2023, and CORA IVF World Sprints Qualifying / Time Trials for 2026 Singapore IVF World Sprints were held at Glenmore Reservoir in 2025. Despite the distance from the West Coast and Eastern Canada to Calgary, and the likelihood of inclement winter weather in Alberta in November when CORA IVF World Sprints Qualifying / Time Trials are held, the Glenmore Reservoir venue in Calgary has offered several amenable factors conducive to V1/V6 Sprints Qualifying / Time Trials including a sheltered flatwater (non-tidal) racecourse, marked racecourse lanes, legacy racecourse turn buoys, a staff of veteran race organizers / timers, a fleet of standardized (albeit ageing Teva Nui) V1s, and a fleet of (albeit ageing Bradley Lightning) V6s. Until such time as another Canadian V1/V6 Sprints Qualifying / Time Trials venue become promising, the Glenmore Reservoir venue in Calgary will continue to be CORA IVF World Sprints Qualifying / Time Trials venue.

### **CORA Sprints Council Initiatives**

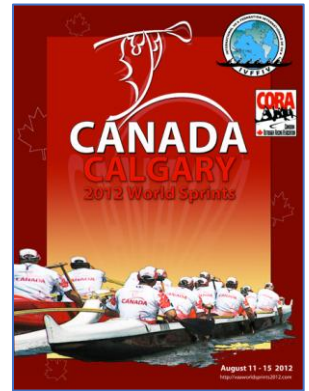
Canadian women had an exceptional performance at 2010 New Caledonia IVF World Sprints, but the Canadian women were considered "sprinters" by the paddling community. John Roberts and the CORA Sprints Council offered assistance to the Canadian women to do the 2010 Queen Lili'uokalani Race (after New Caledonia) to advertise the upcoming 2012 Calgary IVF World Sprints. The Canadian women (Kamini Jain; Leanne Stanley; Cheryl Skribe; Leanne Zrum; Chelsey Brooks Tidmarsh; Helen Currey) raced as Calgary CC #1 #406 and placed 1st Iron Open Non-Koa (NK). [40] John Roberts and the CORA Sprints Council challenged the Canadian women to do it again at 2010 Molokai Na Wahine, but the Canadian women did not have the cash flow or the time off. The Canadian women carried the Sprints Banner as Canada Sprint Team to 2011 Molokai Na Wahine. This 2011 Molokai Na Wahine crew consisted of 8 women from the 2010 New Caledonia IVF World Sprints (Chelsey Brooks Tidmarsh; Cheryl Skribe; Helen Currey; Kamini Jain; Leanne Stanley; Leanne Zrum; Sheila Kuyper; Sue Porter), as well as Shannon Bell (Jericho) and Zoe Norcross Nu'u. This 2011 Molokai Na Wahine crew would finish 4th Place overall for the best ever showing by an all-Canadian Womens crew (to present day). [251] [252] [253] [254] [255] [256]



### **2012 Calgary IVF World Sprints Championships**

The 2012 Calgary IVF World Sprints was jointly hosted by the Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) and by CORA. The original bid for the 2012 IVF World Sprints involved a Penticton / Okanagan venue, but there were many factors that led to the selection of Calgary as the final / preferred 2012 IVF World Sprints venue.

The CORA IVF Committee bid for Calgary Canada to host the 2012 IVF World Sprints had been accepted by the IVF Committee long before Team Canada would depart for the 2010 New Caledonia IVF World Sprints. In 2008, John Roberts approached CORA and proposed that Kamini Jain and Lynda Roberts take the lead as Coach and Area Coordinator (Manager), respectively, for Team Canada for the 2012 IVF World Sprints. Lynda then continued her involvement with IVF outrigger canoe paddling and attended the 2010 IVF World Sprints as both Area Coordinator and competitor. Just 2 weeks prior to this event, Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) had agreed to take over as host of the 2012 IVF World Sprints, and hence a hectic 2-year phase began to learn, prepare, train race officials, and raise funds to host this event. Lynda's proudest achievement is being a part of the team to host this successful event and 'raise the bar' in regards to technical proficiency and officiating for the IVF World Sprints. Lynda was asked to be the Race Director at the following 2014 Rio IVF World Sprints.

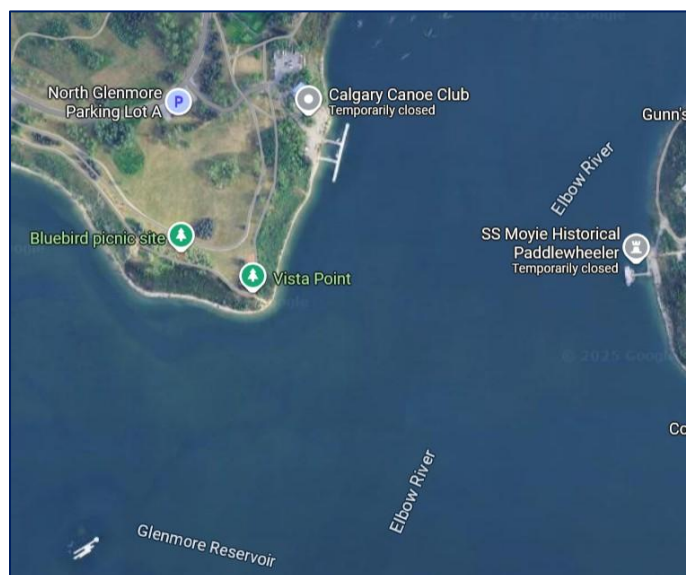


Donna Harrison as IVF Representative and Lynda Roberts as Team Canada Area Coordinator supported Canada at 2010 New Caledonia IVF World Sprints, where Team Canada would take home a total of 7 medals and place 4th overall in the medal standings. In 2012, Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) would host the IVF World Sprints. Athletes from around the world including Australia, New Zealand, Tahiti, Europe, Hawaii and Mainland USA, Rapa Nui, Brazil, Argentina participated in this event, including members of the CCC as part of Team Canada. Lynda as Race Director, on behalf of the Calgary organizing committee, prepared and distributed an extensive newsletter to all Area Coordinators months ahead of the 2012 Calgary IVF World Sprints. This communique covered Race Information (order of events; medal presentations; race course map), Practice Time Slots, Venue Information (team tents; food market; viewing bleachers), Transportation Information (shuttle service; parking; public transportation), Volunteer Information (coordinators; volunteers), Cultural Events (Opening Ceremonies; Cultural Night). The event was a huge success and testament to the event planning prowess of Lynda and Calgary Canoe Club (CCC). [258]



## Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) Venues

Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) has their outrigger canoe fleet based out of a compound at 7305 Crowchild Trail SW, Calgary, Alberta T3E6B5, Canada on the shores of Glenmore Reservoir close to downtown Calgary. [260]



7305 Crowchild Trail SW, Calgary, Alberta. T3E 6B5, Canada

## Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) Achievements / Milestones

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- 1958 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) started
  - 1986-1989 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) competitive Sprint Canoe/Kayak program successes with Kamini Jain, Paul Dever, Jackie Webber, and Dan O'Donovan.
  - 1999 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) paddlers attend 1999 Gibsons Howe Sound Challenge
  - 1999 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) outrigger canoe program started with donation of 2 Clipper Advantage OC6s
  - 2004 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) paddlers with Team Canada attend 2004 Hilo IVF World Sprints Championships
  - 2005 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) and Leduc Boat Club (LBC) collaborate on OC1 / OC6 / C1 / C2 / C15 / K1 / K2 / K4 / MC1 / MC2 events for 2005 Edmonton World Masters Games
  - 2006 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) paddlers with Team Canada attend 2006 New Zealand IVF World Sprints Championships
  - 2008 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) paddlers with Team Canada attend 2008 Sacramento IVF World Sprints Championships
  - 2010 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) paddlers with Team Canada attend 2010 New Caledonia IVF World Sprints Championships
  - 2012 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) and CORA collaborate to host 2012 Calgary IVF World Sprints Championships
  - 2012 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) paddlers with Team Canada attend 2012 Calgary IVF World Sprints Championships
  - 2014 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) paddlers with Team Canada attend 2014 Rio IVF World Sprints Championships
  - 2016 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) paddlers with Team Canada attend 2016 Australia IVF World Sprints Championships
  - 2017 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) paddlers with Team Canada attend 2017 Tahiti IVF World Distance Championships
  - 2018 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) paddlers with Team Canada attend 2018 Tahiti IVF World Sprints Championships
  - 2019 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) paddlers with Team Canada attend 2019 Australia IVF World Distance Championships
  - 2021 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) alumni Jackie Webber inducted into Canadian Outrigger Hall Of Fame
  - 2022 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) paddlers with Team Canada attend 2022 UK IVF World Sprints Championships
  - 2022 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) alumni Kamini Jain inducted into Canadian Outrigger Hall Of Fame
  - 2023 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) paddlers with Team Canada attend 2023 Samoa IVF World Distance Championships
  - 2023 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) member Lynda Roberts inducted into Canadian Outrigger Hall Of Fame
  - 2024 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) paddlers with Team Canada attend 2024 Hilo IVF World Sprints Championships
  - 2024 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) member Lynda Roberts and Uncle Kimokeo collaborate on Hawaii Outrigger Canoe Voyaging Society CORA Town Hall
  - 2025 ~ Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) paddlers with Team Canada attend 2025 Brazil IVF World Distance Championships
- [270] [271] [272] [273] [274] [275] [276] [277] [278] [279] [280] [281] [282] [283] [284] [285] [287] [288] [289] [290]





Dan O'Donovan was Team Captain for the Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) C15 team that would take second place in "War Canoe" at the Canadian Canoe Championships in 1986 (Toronto), 1987 (Calgary), and 1989 (Montreal). Dan O'Donovan relocated to Vancouver in 1991, after successfully landing a job with the Vancouver Police Department (VPD), and soon became one of the original members of Jericho Outrigger Canoe Club (JOCC) dating back to its inception. In the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina in the summer of 2005, six VPD officers who were members of the Heavy Urban Search And Rescue (HUSAR) team, travelled to New Orleans to help the Louisiana State Police rescue survivors of Hurricane Katrina and secure the peace in the devastated Gulf Coast area. For their extraordinary humanitarian efforts and for going above and beyond the call of duty, the

following officers were awarded the Chief Constable's Unit Commendation: Detective Constable Lynn Nofle, Kathleen Tchang, Constables Bev Mitchell, Dan O'Donovan and Sergeants Craig Cairns and Jock Wadley. Daniel O'Donovan would also be awarded the Police Exemplary Service Medal in 2012. [297] [298] [299]

## Leduc Boat Club (LBC) Chapter

The Leduc Boat Club (LBC) began operating in 2004 when canoe/kayak and rowing groups came together to develop the Telford Lake site for the 2005 Edmonton World Masters Games. Since then, Leduc Boat Club (LBC) has added dragon boat, Stand Up Paddle and outrigger canoe programs. The Leduc Boat Club (LBC) mission is to create a welcoming and inclusive community for paddlers and rowers of all ages, abilities and skill levels. Leduc Boat Club (LBC) achieves this through education, training and events that promote the club multiple sports. The Leduc Boat Club (LBC) community values teamwork, sportsmanship, safety and environmental responsibility. The Leduc Boat Club (LBC) community goal is to provide a space where individuals can develop their skills, connect with fellow paddlers/rowers, and enjoy a healthy and active lifestyle. [301] [302]



### Leduc Boat Club (LBC) Outrigger Canoe Fleet

Leduc Boat Club (LBC) has had an interesting evolution in their six-person Outrigger Canoe Fleet. Leduc Boat Club (LBC) hosted the 2005 Edmonton World Masters Games Canoeing Flatwater Sprints events at Telford Lake. The event organizers provided for eight Clipper C-Lion 2nd-generation sit-inside one-person outrigger canoes and six Clipper Advantage six-person outrigger canoes. Two Clipper Advantage six-person outrigger canoes displayed the Calgary Canoe Club (CCC) insignia. Four Clipper Advantage six-person outrigger canoes displayed the GO insignia. It is believed that one of the two red-deck / white-hull Clipper Advantage six-person outrigger canoes displaying the GO insignia would become the starter boat in the Leduc Boat Club (LBC) six-person Outrigger Canoe Fleet. Leduc Boat Club (LBC) social media photos and 2005 Edmonton World Masters Games Canoeing Flatwater Sprints photos show an almost identical red-deck / white-hull Clipper Advantage six-person outrigger canoe. There are no 2012 Calgary IVF World Sprints Championships photos that show a purple-green-purple deck / hull Bradley Lightning OC6 or a green-purple-green deck / hull Bradley Lightning OC6. But Pogue Sports manufactured many Bradley Lightning OC6s for clubs all over North America before / after the 2012 Calgary IVF World Sprints Championships. It is believed that Leduc Boat Club (LBC) would acquire two Bradley Lightning OC6s from Pogue Sports shortly after the 2012 Calgary IVF World Sprints Championships, as Leduc Boat Club (LBC) social media photos from 2013 show a purple-green-purple deck / hull Bradley Lightning OC6 and a green-purple-green deck / hull Bradley Lightning OC6. The CORA Board requested EOY Club Summaries from all CORA Clubs prior to the 2025 CORA AGM. The Leduc Boat Club (LBC) EOY Club Summary noted that they had acquired a Giblin Vortex Unlimited OC6. However, documentation of this six-person outrigger canoe will be included when this can be substantiated via Leduc Boat Club (LBC) social media. [311]



Leduc Boat Club (LBC) Red-Deck / White-Hull Clipper Advantage OC6 (With Black-Line Clipper Ama)



2005 Edmonton World Masters Games Red-Deck / White-Hull Clipper Advantage OC6 (Black-Line Clipper Ama) GO Logo



Leduc Boat Club (LBC) Green-Purple-Green Deck / Hull (Kai Nui) Bradley Lightning OC6



Leduc Boat Club (LBC) Purple-Green-Purple Deck / Hull (Kai Apo) Bradley Lightning OC6

## 2005 Edmonton World Masters Games Canoeing Flatwater Sprints

Leduc Boat Club (LBC) hosted the 2005 Edmonton World Masters Games Canoeing Flatwater Sprints events at Telford Lake, whereas the 2005 Edmonton World Masters Games Canoeing Distance events were held at the Devon Lions Campground in the North Saskatchewan River Valley. The 2005 Edmonton World Masters Games Canoeing Flatwater Sprints was not a CORA Sanctioned Event, but the Canoeing Flatwater Sprints event at Telford Lake and the Canoeing Distance event at Devon Lions Campground were highly likely the first-ever outrigger canoeing races in Alberta - and attended by international paddlers. The event organizers provided for eight Clipper C-Lion 2nd-generation sit-inside one-person outrigger canoes and six Clipper Advantage six-person outrigger canoes. The Telford Lake venue featured C1 / C2 / K1 / K2 / K4 / TK1 (Touring Kayak) / C15 / OC1 / OC6 Flatwater Sprints events. The Devon venue featured MC1 / MC2 / C1 / C2 / K1 / K2 / TK1 (Touring Kayak) / OC1 / OC6 Distance events. [321] [322]



## Alberta Culture Days Polynesian Pop-Up Event

Leduc Boat Club (LBC) has never hosted any CORA Sanctioned Racing Events. However, Leduc Boat Club (LBC), has hosted Alberta cultural events annually for 3 consecutive years from 2021-2023. Alberta Culture Days runs September 1st to September 30th and is the province's largest celebration of heritage, arts, community spirit and cultural diversity, hosted by community organizations. It is an opportunity for all Albertans to discover, experience and celebrate arts and culture by attending or hosting local events and activities across the province. The Leduc Boat Club (LBC) has hosted an Alberta Culture Days Polynesian Pop-Up Event for several years. The Polynesian Pop-Up Event includes outrigger canoe rides and dance demonstration / learn to hula. [325] [326] [327]



Alberta Culture Days Polynesian Pop-Up Events 2021 / 2022 / 2023



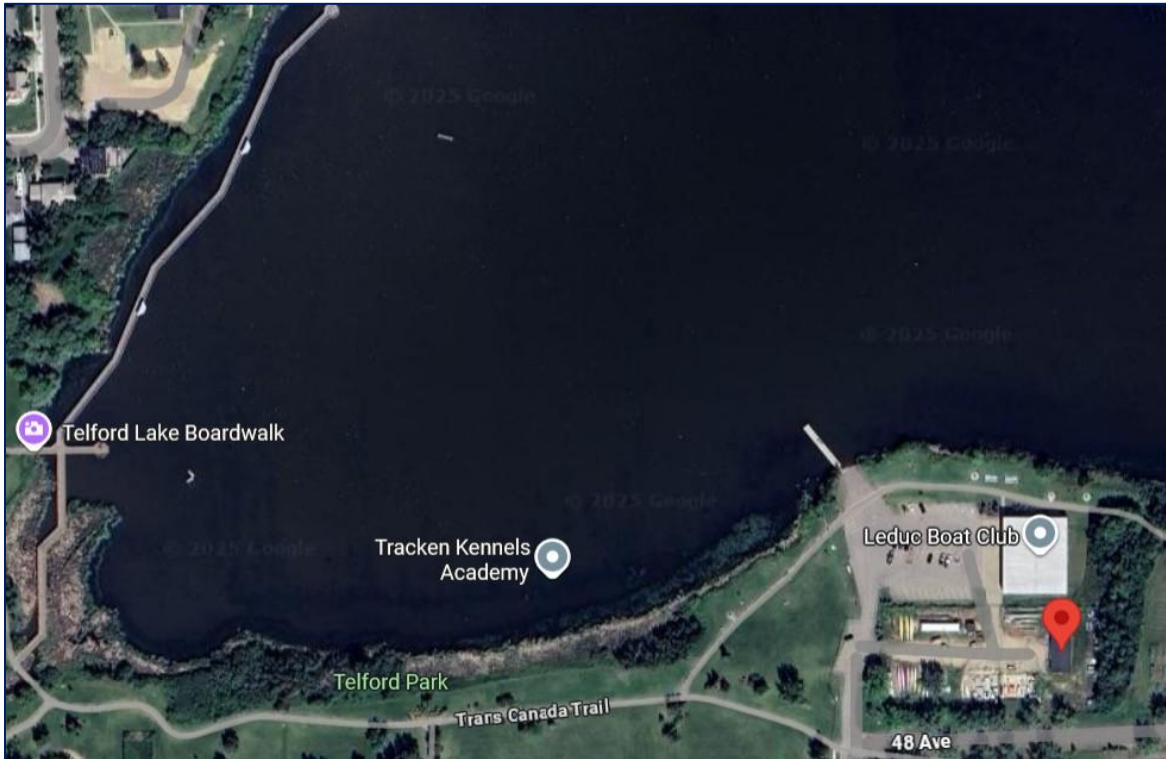
*Ho'omaka Hanu A Ke Aloha Polynesian Dance Society*



*Polynesian Pop-Up Event 2022 Ho'omaka Hanu A Ke Aloha Polynesian Dance Society*

## Leduc Boat Club (LBC) Venues

Leduc Boat Club (LBC) has their outrigger canoe fleet based out of a compound at 4801 44 Street Leduc, AB T9E5T3, Canada on the shores of Telford Lake close to downtown Leduc. [329]



*Leduc Boat Club (LBC) Venue - 4801 44 Street Leduc AB, T9E 5T3. Canada*

## Leduc Boat Club (LBC) Achievements / Milestones

Leduc Boat Club (LBC) social media has minimal mention of their achievements in terms of participation in Western Canada or International paddling events. However, the Canadian Outrigger Racing Association (CORA) website Results indicate that Leduc Boat Club (LBC) has fielded crews in the CORA Cup Series events over the course of many years. This section may be updated with further research. [331]

## Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC) Chapter

Formed in 1999, the Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC) is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to furthering the sport of dragon boat racing in Edmonton and surrounding areas. Providing access to the sport through the community clubhouse, the Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC) offers everything from introduction to the sport all the way to dedicated training and coaching for competitive club teams competing at National and International sanctioned events representing the best in the world. With a deep tradition of working with the local community to promote dragon boating as an accessible activity, the Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC) realized a long-standing goal of having a permanent clubhouse with the opening of the Dawson Park site in 2010. As one of the few dedicated year-round dragon boat facilities in Western Canada, the Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC) offers a full complement of International Dragon Boat Federation (IDBF) spec racing hulls, paddling equipment, and a fully equipped gym with paddling specific ergometers for the use of racing teams in the winter months. The Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC) realizes its commitment to the local community by providing free access and racing to youth under the age of 18, as well as working with other local organizations to provide safe and guided access to the River Valley as well as a venue for team building events and school programs. [401]



### Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC) Outrigger Canoe Fleet

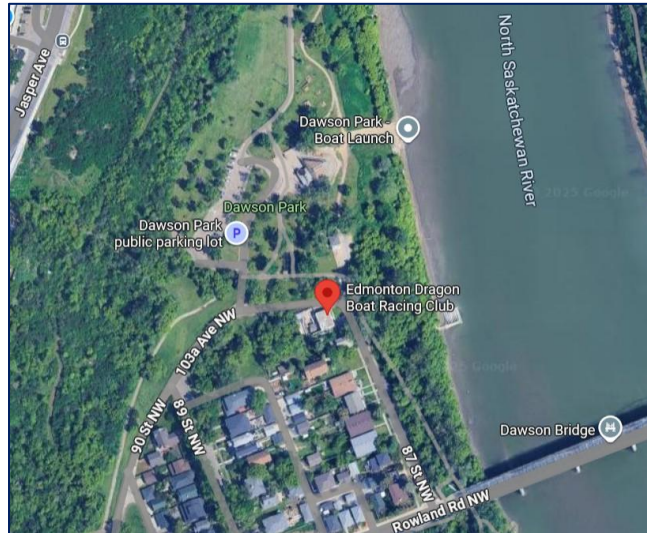
Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC), as is the case with a number of Canadian clubs, has an outrigger canoeing program and outrigger canoeing paddlers and CORA individual members, but does not have any six-person or four-person outrigger canoes. Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC) does have a small number of one-person (six used Hukis acquired from FCRCC) and two-person outrigger canoes for small-boat training / racing. Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC), as is the case with a number of Canadian clubs, has collaborated with another club for access to a six-



person Outrigger Canoe Fleet. Leduc Boat Club (LBC) on Telford Lake, just south of Edmonton, has a six-person Outrigger Canoe Fleet that Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC) has been able to access for training / racing. [411] [412]

## Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC) Venues

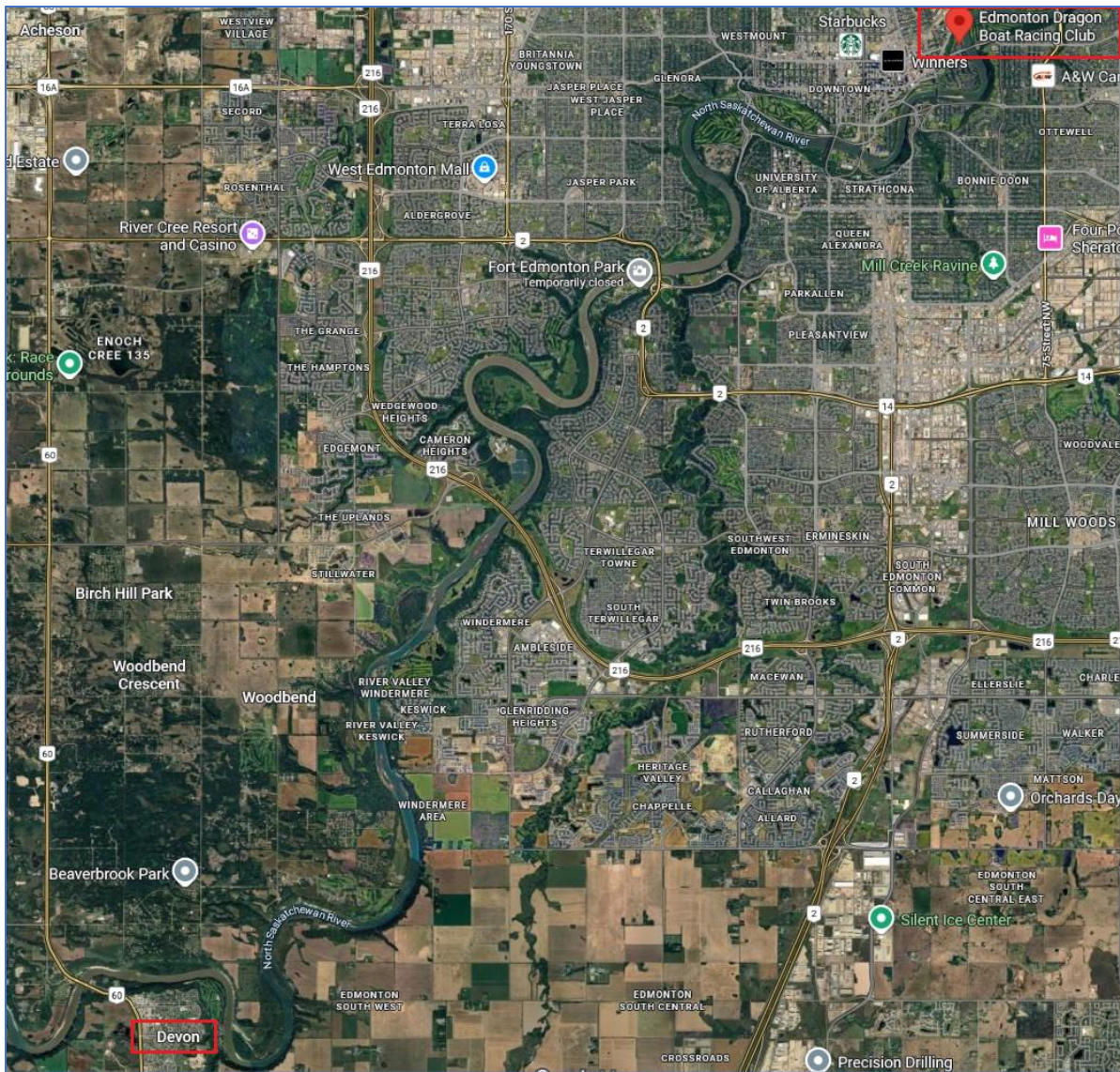
Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC) has their outrigger canoe fleet based out of 10296 87 Street NW, Edmonton, AB, T5H1N6, Canada close to downtown Edmonton. [416]



Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC) Venue - 10296 87 Street NW, Edmonton, AB, T5H1N6, Canada

## Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC) Events

Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC) had never hosted any CORA Sanctioned Racing Events as of 2025. Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC) put forward an event for CORA Sanctioning in June-2026 called the SaskaJack which involves an Edmonton version of the iconic 31-mile Chattajack race through the Tennessee River gorge. Beginning in Devon AB, the Saturday long-distance course takes you approximately 45KM through the beautiful Edmonton river valley, past downtown Edmonton, and ending at the world class Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC). [421]



SaskaJack 45KM from Devon Lions Campground (2005 Edmonton World Masters Games Distance Canoeing Venue) down North Saskatchewan River to Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC)

## Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC) Achievements / Milestones

Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC) social media has minimal mention of their achievements in terms of participation in Western Canada or International paddling events. It is known that Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC) members with Team Canada attended 2024 Hilo IVF World Sprints Championships. Edmonton Dragon Boat Racing Club (EDBRC) members attended 2025 CORA Sanctioned Events including Penticton Duel In The Desert, Vernon / Penticton Length Of The Lake, Comox CORA Cup Series Championships, Fairway Gorge Wetdashe, and Calgary Singapore Sprints Trials. This section may be updated with further research. [431]

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