

April 4, 2012 CORA Meeting Minutes

Roll Call: Cindy, Christina, Carmen, Rob, Sam, Mel, Leanne, Sharon.

Absent: Cindy, Sam

Meeting Called to order at 8:00 pm

Agenda: approved

Last Meeting's Minutes were approved

CORA Grants

2 CORA RME grants for \$1,000 were presented. Mel discussed the 2 grants with the board and both were approved. Once the Clubs submit their expense receipts / paid expenses to the CORA board, the grant funds will then be reimbursed. An application for a steering clinic at ORPC was approved by Sam.

Financials

Sharon presented financials for the first 2 months of 2012. In March Sharon will have a comparison to budget to make sure we are on track for the year.

Donna is working on getting the Pay Pal set up for the Sprint account which should be done this week.

Memberships

Cindy submitted a CORA Membership report showing current memberships at 778 members.

Rob sent out a reminder note to all the Clubs with outstanding 2012 CORA Club Membership dues. Most clubs have replied stating they will take care of the dues. Note that the CORA Club Membership fee is \$125 before May 1, 2012.

After May 1, 2012 the late fee required is \$175.

New Race Proposal

The new Pogue Sprint race was discussed for sanctioning. It was decided that since an application was submitted in order, CORA will approve and sanction the event. Leanne is to follow up with Ryan, Donna and Graeme to discuss their duties to collect CORA individual Membership Fees at their Pogue Sports Sprint Va'a Regatta in May.

Boat Registry

Cindy presented a boat registry file. As she was not present this will be brought forward to next meeting for discussion.

Sprint Update

None given

New Business

Colleen has posted on the CORA website for a volunteer to do communications for CORA.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05pm. The next meeting to be on Wednesday, May 2, 2012

May 2, 2012 CORA Meeting Minutes

Roll Call: Cindy, Christina, Carmen, Rob, Sam, Mel, Leanne, Sharon, Cindy, Sam

Absent:

Meeting Called to order at 8:00 pm

Agenda: approved

Last Meeting's Minutes were approved

CORA Grants

During April an RME grant was received from the Maple Bay Canoe Club for \$750. This grant was approved via email during the month.

Financials

Sharon presented financials for the first 3 months of 2012. As most of the income for the year is coming in now with few expenses the financials look very good. CORA paid out 1 clinic grant last month and there are 3 approved RME grants to be paid out upon receiving the expense receipts from the Clubs.

The rules governing nonprofit associations have recently been changed by the Federal Government. Sam is to monitor these new rules and how they apply to CORA. If changes need to be made to CORA reporting Sam will let us know.

Memberships

Cindy reported there are currently 861 CORA members to date. There are more than 25 additional memberships still to be entered. There will be more memberships coming in from the races this month.

All CORA clubs have paid up their memberships.

An email was received from a member who had paid his membership but it had not been updated in the CORA data base. This caused the member some embarrassment at the next race he participated in. As CORA has a new online system and there was a learning curve this problem should not happen in the future. An email reply was sent to the member explaining how the system works and that this should not happen in the future.

Sprint Update

Tourism Burnaby has given CORA a grant for holding our time trails at Burnaby Lake. A cheque for \$500 has been received with thanks.

CORA will be collecting the uniform fees for the Canadian paddlers who are going to the World Sprints. This money will flow through CORA to Calgary who is fronting the cost of the uniforms for us. There may be a small profit for CORA by doing this.

Outrigger videos

A member brought to forward a question of paddlers using video cameras on their boats and privacy concerns where these may be published. The Board agreed that since this video was being taken in a public place we have no way to deal with such cases.

CORA Website maintenance and cost

Our website is requiring constant maintenance and updating. Colleen the website developer is going to be retained to keep the site up to date. A final monthly cost will be determined and presented for next month. This new cost will come under our marketing budget.

CORA Points

The racing season is about to start and Christina will be taking care of keeping the points up to date on the website. The rules published are a few years old. Cindy will find and publish the 2011 rules as they did not get put on the new website.

New Business

CORA Safety Manual.

The board briefly reviewed the safety manual. It was agreed that some wording may need to be added to reflect that new Clubs need to develop their own safety rules and not rely just on the CORA manual. Sam is to work on some new wording to be added to the 2009 Safety Manual. This will be presented next month.

Boat Registry

Cindy has almost completed the canoe registry. Cindy will ask Ryan for more information on the unlimited boats that have been made recently and get these published as well.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm. The next meeting to be on Wednesday, June 6, 2012

June 13, 2012 CORA Meeting Minutes

Roll Call: Cindy, Christina, Carmen, Rob, Sam, Leanne, Cindy, Sam

Absent: Sharon, Mel,

Meeting Called to order at 8:00 pm

Agenda: approved

Last Meeting's Minutes were approved

CORA Grants

A exceptional Grant was approved by the Board for Calgary's expense for boats taken to the Sprint Trials.

Financials

No report provided.

Memberships

Jan reported 907 CORA members as of the end of May.

Cindy reported there are 1042 members now as a result of the Sprint trials.

Jan received 2 new CORA Club membership applications: Kits Canoe and Surf Club and Leduc Boat Club. CORA Board discussed that both these new Clubs meet the criteria to be a CORA Club Member once their CORA Club fee is paid up. Sam approved and added a criteria policy that all their Club members must be full CORA Members (\$25 annual fee).

CORA Website maintenance and cost

Colleen is still looking for an active paddler to post racing information on the CORA website.

CORA Points

It was discussed that Clubs racing in the CORA Cup OC6 series be awarded 1 point for participation. Also clarified that 1.5 points is for 5th placing teams.

CORA Rules

Cindy will follow up with Shane to acquire his previous wording for the CORA Rules of Racing that was revised to clarify Canoe overtaking in turns.

New Business

None

Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm. The next meeting to be on Wednesday, July 5, 2012

July 11, 2012 CORA Meeting Minutes

Roll Call: Mel, Cindy, Carmen, Rob, Sam

Absent: Sharon, Christina, Leanne

Meeting Called to order at 8:00 pm

Agenda: approved

Last Meeting's Minutes were approved

CORA Grants

All the CORA grant applications received were reviewed for approval and payout.

Financials

An updated report from Sharon was reviewed by the Board.

Memberships

Cindy reported there are 1200 CORA Members as of the end of July. 29 CORA Club Memberships.

CORA Website maintenance and cost

The current quarterly CORA maintenance invoice was approved by the Board for payout.

The website is being kept up to date but we are still looking for someone to write content for pre and post race events.

Colleen has been maintaining the site with required software updates and monitoring the spam.

CORA Points

Christina is working on the latest CORA points log to present at the next meeting.

CORA Rules

Cindy will follow up with Colleen to get the CORA Rules of Racing revised showing clarification for Canoe overtaking in turns.

New Business

None

Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm. The next meeting to be on Wednesday, August 1, 2012

August 1, 2012 CORA Meeting Minutes

Roll Call: Cindy, Rob, Carmen, Christina

Absent: Sharon, Leanne, Mel, Sam

Meeting Called to order at 8:00 pm

Agenda: approved

Last Meeting's Minutes were approved

CORA Grants

All the CORA grant applications received were reviewed for approval. For some grants we are still waiting to receive the repairs/equipment receipts first before paying out.

Financials

No update

Memberships

Cindy reported there are over 1243 CORA Members to date. Yellowknife Outrigger Canoe Club is now a new CORA Club Member.

CORA Website maintenance and cost

The website is being kept up to date but we are still looking for someone to write content for pre and post race events.

Colleen has been maintaining the site with required software updates and monitoring the spam.

CORA Points

Christina will update the latest CORA points log for the Howe Sound Gibsons Race coming up. Rob will round up the 2011 CORA trophies to be presented.

CORA Rules

Cindy will be getting word layout from Colleen to get the CORA Rules of Racing revised showing clarification for Canoe overtaking in turns.

Sprint Update

An updated report from Kristine Malmqvist was reviewed by the Board. Calgary Canoe Club has done a great job in organizing the upcoming World Sprints.

New Business

None

Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, September 5, 2012

September 5, 2012 CORA Meeting Minutes

Roll Call: Christina, Cindy, Rob, Carmen, Mel, Leanne, Sam

Absent: Sharon

Meeting Called to order at 8:00 pm

Agenda: approved

Last Meeting's Minutes were approved

CORA Memberships

Cindy reported there are over 1268 CORA Members to date. More memberships are expected after the Bridges race and Battle in the Bay race.

CORA Grants

Current tow grant applications and Clinics were reviewed for approval. We are waiting to receive all the repairs/equipment paid receipts in from the Clubs who applied for RME funds this year before CORA can payout these RME Grants.

Financials

No update - Sharon absent.

CORA Rules

Cindy will be getting word layout from Colleen to get the CORA Rules of Racing revised showing clarification for Canoe overtaking in turns. Colleen has been away.

CORA Insurance, Race Sanctions, Race Applications

All new races requiring CORA sanctioning should be presented by the Club to the CORA Board for approval at the year-end CORA Technical Meeting at the time of the CORA AGM in November.

CORA's insurance provider All Sport pre-determines CORA's insurance premium and race coverages at the beginning of each year based on the number of CORA races and estimated racers, therefore any new race application additions appearing during the year needing sanctioning will affect the delicate arrangement set with All Sport. This matter was discussed by the Board for future dealings.

Sprint Update

An update report was received from Donna Harrison concluding the Calgary World Sprints. The event was very successful with recognition received from IVF. **See Donna's report below.**

New Business

The 2012 CORA Board AGM will be in November. Date and details to be announced.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, October 3, 2012

2012 Team Canada and Calgary Sprint Report – by Donna Harrison (Sept 2012)

Time Trials in June were held over 2 days. The venue and race course were well suited for our event and should be used for future time trials. Permits for use of the pavilion, and waterway were obtained through the City of Burnaby, and help from the Burnaby Canoe Kayak group to setup the race course was well worth it. The total cost to hold the time trials with permits and setup was \$2,073.00. This was offset by charging the participants \$15 to attend time trial and \$10 IVF initial fee. We had ~ 275 people attend which gave revenue of \$4,125.00. We had a great team of experienced volunteers from many CORA clubs.

Kimberley Hanson setup a food booth in the pavilion and provided food and drink on both days. This was well received.

Course flags and motor boats were provided, while Calgary Canoe club generously provided excellent, boat numbers, timing gear and walkie talkies. We used personal binoculars and video cameras, which were a 'must'.

V1's were provided by CCC and the Worlds Organizing committee as well as Pogue sports. OC1's were provided by False Creek Canoe Club and a couple personal boats. OC1's and V1's were pre-weighed.

Kamini created the trial format to allow racers to have semi and finals, which gave a better overall look at performance. Kamini, Graham Smith and Hugh Fisher then used the results to create the National crews. Most racers did time trial regardless if they were part of a pre-established crew. This was a good choice as it provided them the opportunity to also be in a National crew if they wanted.

Team Canada Uniforms - Calgary Canoe club generously purchased our jerseys by ordering a surplus. We were able to hand out uniforms within 6 weeks of determining our final team. This was necessary as our time trials were held quite late to assure everyone had time to train on the water. (Interior, Alberta and Ontario regions)

CORA purchased the team hats, with a surplus that we were able to sell at a larger profit (\$25 to team - \$35 to public). We collected payment from each member mostly through our CORA Pay pal account with a small profit that covered off a transaction charge of 1.5% by Pay pal, and in some cases, it was necessary to ship uniforms via courier. Several extra hats and jerseys were purchased by team members by cash and cheque. In the end, a few too many large jerseys were sold to Vancouver members, and left Calgary members short changed. It was necessary to do a few refunds and have those people supply their extra shirt to the Calgary member. In the end, we sold 594 uniforms and the remainder was sold to the public by CCC at a larger profit. It was agreed to share our profit with CCC as they took the risk in purchasing the 815 jerseys. We are repaying them \$34.50 per jersey

Some pre-established crews did dissolve to create stronger National crews, while other PE crews remained in tack as the fastest crews. Some PE crews who lost members struggled to replace and used paddlers who did not make top crews. This was not the purpose of PE crews and we will look at a clearer definition of the purpose of a PE crew. There was no need for a race off of V6 as there were less than 5 PE crews per category (4 was the max)

The final Team Canada consisted of 250 paddlers with 89 women, 91 men and 70 juniors. This was the 3rd largest contingency attending Calgary. 316 – Hawaii, 262 – New Zealand, 250 – Canada.

The final IVF fees of \$50 per paddler were collected and the total \$60 x 250 was issued to Calgary Canoe Club. The total event race fees are split \$15 IVF / \$45 HOST and therefore all monies collected by Canada were issued to CCC to offset the IVF due.

Team Canada Camp – was run by Right Angle Performance with a CORA subsidy of \$1000 for the paddlers to attend at a reasonable cost. Over 100 team members attended and became familiar with sprint rules and turn strategies. It is important to provide our racers the resources to develop and improve.

2 junior camps were held by Pemberton and Penticton clubs with Hugh Fisher attended both. We agreed to pay expenses to the club who hosted the camp.

Calgary World Sprints – was a huge success. The attendance was one of the largest to date with over 1200 paddlers. The venue was well setup and the race course was fair with even depth across all lanes. IVF officials were available for timing, protest and appeals committee. The IVF timing and check in system was utilized and provided undisputed race video, as well as real time posting and race streaming video for the world to watch real time.

Many countries such as New Zealand remarked on how well and on time the event was run. Although many did understand CCC was running the event, many of the countries credit CORA for providing this world class event.

There were some unusual and sad events. A Hawaiian Kupuna paddler passed during the final race, which was handled extremely well by the race director and volunteers, and brought all the countries together to honor this paddler in a way that has never been seen. Also, Tahiti was unable to attend because of an airline strike. This did play a factor on medal count, but overall, Canada still shows as a world contender.

The awards were staggered over the 5 days, with the cultural night and free Paddler BBQ mid-way. The closing ceremonies was the only event that suffered due to the final races having to run up until 8 PM, and most countries collecting medals and leaving to attend the after party.

2014 Rio De Janeiro World Sprints - The next Worlds will be held in Rio 3rd week of August 2014, with the Rio Va'a distance race to run immediately afterwards.

The format has changed to give higher validity as a World Event. The first 2 days will be for performance paddlers only, with each country allowed (1) V1 paddler per category and (1) V6 per category. We will need to focus on our elite paddlers to field a strong contingency.

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The last 3 days are formatted more of a club crew idea. We will still have national crews, but they will be more focused to developing and participating type paddlers. Over the next few months the Sprint Council will be discussing how to re-format our selection process.

	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
Hawai'i	22	20	18	60
New Zealand	17	25	20	62
Canada	15	4	7	26
Australia	6	4	5	15
Brazil	2	4	-	6

New Caledonia	2	-	2	4
California	-	5	2	7
Tahiti	-	-	1	1

Team Canada Medal Winners Medal	Event	Team/Paddler	Time
Gold	Gldn Master Men – V1 500	Alex Vanderham	2:32.99
Gold	Gldn Master Men – V12 500	Canada 1	1:59.40
Gold	Goldn Master Men – V6 1000	Canada 1	4:55.91
Gold	Gldn Master Men – V6 500	Canada 1	2:07.70
Gold	Master 70 Women – V12 500	Canada 1	2:47.40
Gold	Master 70 Women – V6 1000	Canada 1	6:38.24
Gold	Master 70 Women – V6 500	Canada 1	2:52.04
Gold	Master Men – V12 500	Canada 1	1:53.90
Gold	Master Men – V6 1000	Canada 1	4:37.05
Gold	Master Women – V1 500	Kamini Jain	2:46.45
Gold	Master Women – V12 500	Canada 1	2:08.80
Gold	Snr Master Men – V1 500	Hugh Fisher	2:26.47
Gold	Snr Master Men – V12 500	Canada 1	2:06.70
Gold	Snr Master Men – V6 1000	Canada 6	4:46.29
Gold	Snr Master Men – V6 500	Canada 6	2:03.03
Silver	Master 70 Men – V6 1000	Canada 1	5:30.22
Silver	Master Women – V6 1000	Canada 1	5:19.75
Silver	Master Women – V6 500	Canada 1	2:19.35
Silver	Open Women – V6 500	Canada 1	2:15.17
Bronze	Snr Master Men – V1 500	Don Irvine	2:30.79
Bronze	Junior 19 Women – V1 500	Aleena Dahinden	2:52.94
Bronze	Open Women – V12 500	Canada 1	2:08.46
Bronze	Gldn Master Men – V6 500	Canada 2	2:14.16
Bronze	Gldn Master Women – V6 1000	Canada 1	5:55.29
Bronze	Master 70 Men – V12 500	Canada 1	2:23.70
Bronze	Master 70 Men – V6 500	Canada 1	2:25.86