

# 2009 Newsletter

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## Canadian National Iron Championship races held in Sydney, BC

The final iron race of our season was held August 15th weekend in a beautiful location at Tulista Park just outside of Victoria.

Ocean River Paddling Club did a fantastic job to provide a new course that was challenging and fun. The course ran 22km around James Island

Sixteen women's crews were at the start line from as far away as Penticton to Seattle. The winning team was False Creek with a great time of 2:02:55.

Men's and Mixed went next with twenty teams overall. The first men's team across the line was False Creek with the time of 1:46,. The first mixed crew was Lotus with a time of 1:59.

This was also the final race of the CORA Race series



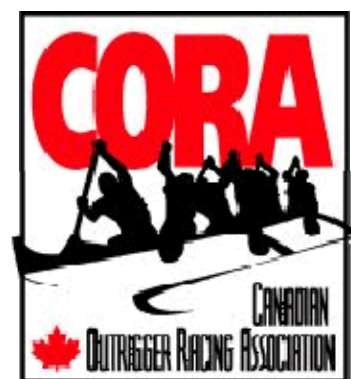
Men's and Mixed race start at Cdn National Iron (22km)

where teams have been accumulating points over the season by attending at least 4 races. The teams with the highest points received awards. This final race counted for double points.

A short course was run earlier, with 2 Junior Lotus and 4 Novice teams. Sunday saw another full day of races with the small boat

course. The 13km course was varied around Forrest Island. Forty Five men were out for the competition and Sixteen women. Kelp weed was the topic for the day.

Prizes were awarded along with the Cora Small boat point series medals. For full results go to [www.canadianoutrigger.com/results.cfm](http://www.canadianoutrigger.com/results.cfm)



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## What's Next ?

For many paddlers, the end of August means time to go International paddling! Some of the more popular races are "Queen Lil'uokahini" held in Kona, Hawaii, Catalina Crossing in Newport, California, and the Molokai crossings; Na Wahinie O Ke Kia for the women and Molokai Hoe for the men.

Another option for those staying close to home are the local sprint races held from September to November. Delta Outrigger will be hosting their race September 12th at a great flat water location in the Delta Slough. Details on how to register can be found on the Cora website. Lotus Sports Club will be October 3rd at Barnet Marine Park, and the Canadian National Sprint Cham-

pionship race will be held in False Creek at the Dragon Zone, Thanksgiving weekend.

The sprint racing will continue through November with Battle in the Bay held in Nanaimo and Outrageous Outrigger Odyssey in the Gorge waterway, Victoria.

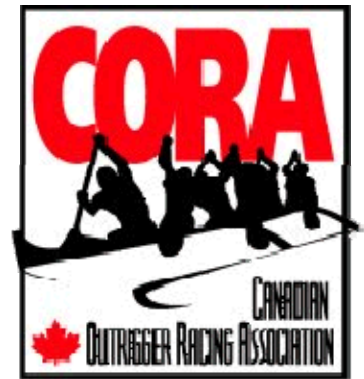


Lots of racing to be had before the coldest and wettest weather arrives.

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Along with the Canadian National Championship race weekend comes the winners of the 2009 Cora Cup Series.

As a recap of the series, there are 6 races for OC6 teams and OC1 races that qualify. Participants must plan to attend at least 4 to qualify, but the last race (Championship race) is double points. This can make it interesting if you didn't place in top position in the other races, as it could boost your score to a winning place!

Many crews were surprised to be called up to receive their 1st place plaque or winning OC1 medals!

When your teams are deciding what races to attend next year, make note of the Cora Series.. All that is required is the same team name and category for every race.

### RESULTS—1st Place CORA Series —OC6

#### Open

False Creek I (Hokupa'a) -Women  
False Creek I—Men

#### Masters

Comox I—Women  
Pacific Reach—Men

#### Sr. Masters

Delta— Women  
Delta— Men

#### Mixed -Open

Lotus 1

#### Mixed- Masters

Penticton



Brian Johns (CORA President) presenting 1st Place Award for the Mixed—Open Division to Lotus



FCRC (RD) Happy to be done ! Cdn Nationals

## Cora Small Boat Race Series

Cora Small boat series was well attended over the season, but unfortunately, many paddlers were not able to make it to at least 4 races. Several people who would have been eligible for placing, did not make the final race needed.

Here are the top 3 for each Category of the Series

#### Open Women

Linda Warren (False Creek)  
Jaqueline McAra (False Creek)

#### Master Women

Winnie Wong (Jericho)

#### Sr. Master Women OC2

M. MacDonald/B.Alley (Lotus)

#### Open Men

Shane Martin (False Creek)  
Mike Greenslade (Lotus)

#### Master Men

Mike Bernemann (False Creek)  
Jeff Fink (Kelowna)  
Calvin Chow (False Creek)

#### Sr. Master Men

Don Mulhall (Penticton)  
Steve Palmier (False Creek)  
Rupert Wong (Comox)

#### Golden Masters Men

Rob Borsoff (Pacific Reach)  
Gord Penn (Delta)

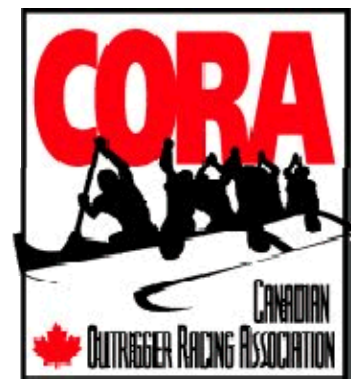
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## Canadian Time Trials for IVF World Sprints 2010

### Bonus: 1st Canadian National Sprint Regatta



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Hello Sprinters! Long Distance race season will be coming to an end soon, and it will be time to get into \* Sprint Mode\*

I am pleased to announce we have secured the venue for the Canadian 2010 World Sprint Time Trial and 1st Annual Canadian Championship Sprint Regatta.

both events will be held at:

Dragon Zone in False Creek (by Science World)

October 10th World Sprint Time Trials for New Caledonia in 2010

### October 11th Championship Sprint Regatta

The Canadian Championship Sprint Regatta (Sunday) is open to all paddlers. We will be holding OC1 (500m) and OC6 (1000m) races. Please spread the word!

Many more details need to be formulated over the next month, from finding boats, to setting up the race schedule, to looking for sponsors or vendors, and of course volunteers!!

This will be a big weekend with several people driving and flying into Vancouver, so we want to make the trip worth the effort.

Also, If you know of people who have not registered their "Intent to Compete in New Caledonia".. please have them register online.. Intent will be closing in September, and we will be asking, for registration fees for time trials and/or regatta.

Registration details and schedule of events will be available come September We want to attract a full roster for the Championship Regatta.

For those coming to the Time Trails, Team Canada boats will be decided the following week of time trials, so you should organize your own National teams to participate in the Championship Race on the Sunday !! Races will be setup based on IVF age categories. Women, Men and Juniors.

This is a great opportunity to connect and meet with others in your age category.



## Insurance Survey

In September 2008, Our Insurance provider (All Sport) approached CORA to update records for a clear understanding of "what they were protecting." The concern for our insurance agent is providing coverage for Clubs reporting only "racing" members and what the risk "non-members" presented to them (primarily from clubs without secondary insurance). They see the recreational paddler who may belong to a CORA club, but individually is not a CORA member, as a possible risk.

Unfortunately, there has been a pervasive assumption (which is incorrect) in the paddling community that you do not have to personally belong to CORA if you do not race, and the vocal complaints to All Sport by recreational paddlers has caused All Sport concern. As a result, All Sport presented three options to CORA:

**Option 1:** The policy defends only the 8 Board Members for their Organizational & Administrative duties and does not include the operation of any Paddling activity. All Sport Insurance have minimum policy premiums. **The minimum on \$5M is \$3,500.**

**Option 2:** The policy defends the 8 Board Members for their Org & Admin duties and INCLUDES the operation of sanctioned Outrigger Races annually with approx 200 Paddlers at each. The 200 Paddlers at each race consist only of the 1,000 paid "Members" listed.

**Calculated premium: \$3,900.**

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**Option 3:** The policy protects CORA & its Board along with the 28 Member Clubs and each of their Boards. Protection extends to the sanctioned annual Races with 200 Paddlers per (comprised of the current 1,000 Racing Paddlers currently listed on the policy) for a total of 7,800 Racing Paddlers (Bodies).

Protection also extends to the 28 Member Clubs with an estimated 200 "Recreational Paddlers" each for an additional 5,400 Bodies. The Operations budget for CORA is estimated at \$19,000, with an average estimate of \$15,000.00 operating budget per club. Estimated cost: based on average number of "recreational paddlers: \$15,000.

A survey link was circulated to all CORA Club Representatives asking to answer 10 questions related to their club's insurance specifics. Nineteen out of Twenty Six clubs participated, and the results have given the CORA board an overall view of insurance needs.

At the end of August, an email with recommendations will be circulated to the CORA Club Representatives to discuss with each of their clubs board. Further discussion regarding insurance options will be discussed at the Technical meeting prior to the 2009 AGM. If possible, please have your CORA Club representative attend this meeting.

## 2009 CORA Annual General Meeting

According to Society Status, an open General Meeting is held annually with all members invited to attend. An agenda will be made available to all attending and members are encouraged to add topics they would like discussed to the agenda.

This meeting is also where your executive is voted in, setting up the committee that facilitates the accomplishment of the annual goals as established. All members are invited to participate in the nominations and elections.

Minutes from the last AGM are available to view on the CORA Resource page, as well as Cora's goals for the current year.

This year's Annual General Meeting will be **November 22nd, 2009 at Jericho Sailing Centre.**

A Technical meeting for all Club Representative's will be held Saturday, November 21st, 2009 at the Jericho Sailing Centre. We would encourage all club rep's to attend to input changes, and ideas of what they would like to see for the 2010 race season.

### 2009 Annual Goals:

Cora will focus on the following goals for the coming year:

- Re-connect with Clubs to promote membership and new races.
- Review CORA Cup Series and communicate rules and participation with all clubs.
- Implement new Safety Policy to be used as CORA Standard.
- Oversee selection process for World Sprints in New Caledonia 2010.
- Survey all clubs for CORA insurance needs and direction of the CORA insurance policy.
- Improve over all communication with members and clubs