

# ORILLIA ROWING CLUB

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**It's never too early to start training:** Club member Brad Ingleton, shown here with daughter Cassandra, demonstrates the importance of getting on an early training programme.

## Programs for You in 2002

As a new club, there are many aspects of rowing for us to explore and promote;

- recreational rowing (without regattas)
- recreational rowing (with participation in recreational regattas)
- student competitive program
- masters competitive program (age 27 and up)
- touring – Sunday morning Lake Couchiching tours
- touring – participation in provincial tours (see touring schedule)

All these types of rowing are important to our club and we encourage you to pursue what you like! Whatever type of rowing you like, it is most desirable to be on a crew with people who have the same goals as yourself and who can row at the same time as you.

## REGISTRATION DATES

The two registration dates for this season are **Thursday, April 18** and **Monday, April 22** from 6:30 – 8:30pm at **Brian Orser Arena**. Registration will take place for all returning members, new members, and all those interested in joining learn to row programs.

Registration packages for all returning members will be mailed out in March. Registration packages for new members or learn to row participants can be obtained by calling our boathouse number 326-3519 (starting March 15) or from the club web site at [www.orilliarowingclub.cjb.net](http://www.orilliarowingclub.cjb.net).

Registration needs to be done in person at one of our registration dates. For further information, please contact 326-3519 after March 15, or email [orilliarowingclub@yahoo.ca](mailto:orilliarowingclub@yahoo.ca).

## Employment Opportunity Assistant Boathouse Manager

The Orillia Rowing Club is seeking applicants for the position of **Assistant Boathouse Manager**. Under the direction of the Boathouse Manager and the ORC Executive, successful candidates shall assist with various club programs and activities, including but not restricted to:

- Learn-to-Row program
- Adult recreational rowing and training
- Summer day camp in August
- Standard club operating procedures

The Assistant Boathouse Manager will assist the Boathouse Manager during scheduled rowing times by driving a coach boat, coaching or directing novice and experienced rowing crews and assisting with the upkeep and maintenance of the boathouse and equipment. The Assistant Boathouse Manager will assume the duties of the Boathouse Manager in his/her absence by ensuring the safety of all rowing participants and the careful handling and proper use of all equipment.

Preference will be given to applicants with the following qualifications:

- Holder of Level 1 Technical Rowing Coaching Certificate
- Holder of Pleasure Craft Operator Card (if born after April 1, 1983)
- First aid certification
- Evidence of strong communication, organization and leadership skills
- Evidence of ability to work without supervision

The services of Assistant Boathouse Manager will be required from **May to September** for approximately **20 hours per week**. The rate of pay is **\$7.50 per hour**.

Interested applicants should submit a cover letter and resume outlining qualifications, work experience and contact information by **March 22<sup>nd</sup>** to the attention of:

**Orillia Rowing Club**  
P.O. Box 981  
Orillia, ON L3V 6K8

Applicants under consideration for an interview will be contacted by telephone.

# Volunteering ■ Everything you ever wanted to know but weren't sure who to ask!

The Orillia Rowing Club volunteers... what a great inclusive group! It consists of each and every one of us, working together to make our rowing club a success and to ensure the opportunity for members to get out on the water as much as possible to enjoy the sport.

## VOLUNTEER HOURS

Again this season we will be offering our members an opportunity to donate 20 volunteer hours in lieu of cashing a \$100 post-dated cheque. This cheque is to be submitted by each member at registration along with his/her registration fee.

## SUB-COMMITTEES

So many members became involved in numerous functions of the club through volunteer hours. We were not only working together on the water, but off the water as well. Along with the many familiar ways of contributing volunteer hours to our club, the executive would like to have members thinking along new paths of involvement.

Joining a sub-committee would be a perfect way to work closely with the executive and other members to shape an area of the club that you would like to see develop. It may be social, related to fund-raising or working in a programme area that will see new members continue to grow and learn in the sport.

## NEED 20 HOURS?

The following positions will be automatically credited with a value of 20 volunteer hours. For some of the tasks, you will have honoured your 20 hour commitment even before the rowing season has begun! We are currently looking to fill the positions of:

- Payroll Officer
- Fun Night Leader
- Social Committee
- Coaching Clinic Coordinator

Thanks go out to the people who are currently working in the following areas:

- Raffle - Wendy Lou Paquette
- Tag Day - Michelle Dwyer
- Phone Coordinator - Tena Jackson
- Swim Tests - Wendy Sullivan & Elaine Thompson

Positions are available now and at registration. If you have any questions, please call Rhonda Lauer (325-1873) or Diane Carter (325-9964).



**Think Tank:** Rhonda Lauer, Wendy Lou Paquette, Kristi Cole and Laurie Herd work on details for the upcoming raffle. Sub-committees of rowing club volunteers, such as the raffle committee, are necessary to carry out the club's many programmes and special events throughout the season.

## RAFFLE FUNDRAISER

As our club's major fundraiser this year, we will hold a raffle with some exciting prizes! Wendy Lou Paquette has kindly volunteered to be the raffle chairperson. Many thanks to her for stepping forward to take on this project.

Tickets for the raffle will be part of the registration package with members having the option of selling or purchasing tickets.

We have the potential to generate a significant amount of money with this event. Members and potential members should realize that a fundraiser such as this is necessary to help fund the equipment we need.

Please show your support by becoming as involved as possible. Details will be mailed out in the registration package.

## NEW EXECUTIVE MEMBER

The Orillia Rowing Club executive welcomes Brad Ingleton as a new executive member. Brad moved to Orillia at the end of last season and has rowed previously at the Don Rowing Club, Argonaut Rowing Club and with the University of Toronto. He is sharing his great ideas with us as we prepare programs and registration for the upcoming season.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!

Thursday, April 18 & Monday, April 22	Registration at Brian Orser Arena
Monday, May 13	First day of rowing
Thursday, June 27	Crew Forming Night
Friday, June 28 & Saturday, June 29	Tag Days for ORC

## REGATTAS & TOURS 2002

To attend regattas and tours, we need our own trailer or the use of a borrowed RowOntario trailer. We hope that we will have one or the other for this upcoming season. If so, the following are the possible regattas and/or tours that we as a club and members may want to consider attending this season:

Date	Type	Event Details
May 5	Tour	Lake Scugog Icebreaker - Port Perry
June 8, 9	Tour	Port Severn Tour from Inn at Christie's Mill
June 15	Regatta	Scugog Invitational - Port Perry (High School, masters, recreational categories)
June 29	Regatta	C.O.R.A. Regatta - Welland (competitive categories)
July 1	Regatta	Dominion Day Regatta - Centre Island, Toronto (Competitive categories plus race in Hudson T-11's)
July 6, 7	Tour	Algonquin Park Tour
July 13	Regatta	C.O.R.A. Championships - St. Catherines (Competitive categories)
July 14	Regatta	RowOntario Masters Championships - Welland (Masters competitive events)
July 20	Regatta	Ontario Summer Games - Lake Conestoga, Kitchener (Competitive juniors events)
July 19-21	Tour	Rice Lake/Trent River Tour - Belleville
July 27, 28	Regatta	RowOntario Provincial Championships - Welland Competitive Categories
Aug. 7-11	Regatta	Royal Canadian Henley Regatta - St. Catherines (Students and masters competitive events)
Aug. 17	Regatta	Tops and Bottoms - Mississauga (Recreational regatta)
Aug. 18	Regatta	Hogtown Heats - Argonaut Rowing Club, Toronto (Recreational regatta)
Sept. 3-9	Tour	FISA 2002 Rideau Tour - Ottawa to Kingston (registration by April 1/02)
Sept. 29	Tour	Scugog Fall Tour - Port Perry
Oct. 5	Regatta	Head of the Trent - Peterborough (Competitive & recreational categories)
Oct. 19	Tour	Marathon around Wilson Island - Belleville

## What is Touring?

As part of the sport of rowing, touring is becoming increasingly popular.

Touring, as defined by RowOntario is "essentially a rowing trip lasting one or more days along a predetermined route... tours often incorporate a cultural program, like visiting local attractions... so touring has more to offer than just rowing."

Touring is usually done in specially designed boats. A touring boat is rigged with sculls, the hull is designed to be more stable, durable, withstand rougher water, and carry more gear than a racing shell. It is useful for a club that does not have protected water to include touring boats in its fleet so members can get on the water even when conditions are not suitable for racing shells.

RowOntario is encouraging the growth of this type of rowing by providing Hudson T11 boats to clubs around the province. We were fortunate to have one of these boats last summer (the Peter Burzstyn), and will be applying for the program again.

In addition to the T11, the Orillia Rowing Club has a Hudson T7 touring double 'Splendid', a Paluski single, and a vintage European wooden four (Havel) in its touring fleet.

The club is planning to continue with weekly tours on Sunday mornings, develop new programs, and get more members involved in RowOntario touring events. Anyone interested in getting involved should contact Tony Kaija at 325-4039.

For more information about touring, check the RowOntario website - [www.rowontario.ca](http://www.rowontario.ca).



**On display at the Bay:** Club member Alan Smale and oar sponsor Steve Clarke pose with the oar that is on display at the Brewery Bay Food Co. in the offseason.

## BULLETIN BOARD

### Safety Course

As of 2002, any operator of a vessel under 4 metres must have a **Personal Craft Operators Card**. This includes the ORC coach boats. The Orillia Power Squadron is offering the course and test this winter. For more information contact Bruce Donaldson at 326-1950.

### Where in the world is Nevada?

Why go all the way to Las Vegas to win money when we have Nevada right here in town? One of the ways that you can support the club in an ongoing fundraiser is to purchase **Nevada Tickets** from the **Atherley Mini Mart**, 121 Atherley Rd. (at Gill St.) in Orillia. Tell your friends and family members too!

### Grocery Save-a-Tape Program

Looking for a way to get rid of your grocery store receipts from A&P or Zehrs Markets? The Orillia Rowing Club will gladly take them as part of its save-a-tape fundraising program. A portion of the sales from every grocery receipt placed in the Orillia Rowing Club box at either Orillia location goes towards the club - so start saving your receipts today!

## STUDENT COMPETITIVE PROGRAM

We plan to have a student competitive program this season and encourage all high school students to consider participating. Last year was our club's first introduction to a competitive program under the able coaching of Jenn Marsh.

Any high school student who is willing to commit himself/herself to the training involved, be enthusiastic and ready for a challenge should get involved.

The practice schedule is normally Monday through Friday at 5:30 – 7:00am. This year, depending on crew arrangement/selection by the coach, training times may also be offered from 3:30 – 5:00pm during May and June. For those high school students interested in competing, the dates of regattas for the 2002 season are:

June 15	Scugog Invitational, Port Perry
June 29	C.O.R.A. Regatta, Welland
July 13	C.O.R.A. Championships, St. Catherines
July 27, 28	RowOntario Provincial Championships, Welland
August 7-11	Royal Canadian Henley Regatta, St. Catherines

## ONTARIO SUMMER GAMES 2002

The Ontario Summer Games are held every two years. In 2002 they will be held in Kitchener (rowing events at Conestoga Lake on Saturday, July 20). For those students who are not familiar with the Ontario Summer Games, rowing clubs across the province are part of regional teams that compete with one another. Orillia Rowing Club is part of the North Central District, which includes Barrie, Durham, Midland, and Orillia. Students up to age 19 can compete. Each district has a team of 13 females and 13 males. Races are 2000 meters with 6 events for each of males and females (coxed 4, eight, quad, singles, doubles, and pairs). To row in these games, you will be required to try out to be part of the team.

In 2000, five rowers from Orillia participated in the Ontario Summer Games – Susan Brasier, Laura Kelly, Laura Pidgen, Gord Kerslake, and Dave Reid. Gord Kerslake won a bronze medal as part of the Men's Eight event. All of us from the Orillia Rowing Club were very proud of these athletes and we hope that this year Orillia will be represented again in the games! To be considered at the try outs, each rower needs to have a strong commitment to training right from the beginning of the season. Please stay tuned for further information about when tryouts will take place.

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