

May Newsletter



Toronto
Island Canoe Club

On the horizon

A quick timeline of events for TICC members.

Ongoing: Good news the website has been updated and registration is **now available online!** We have also made some changes to the site we are very excited for you to check it out. Our club newsletters will be posted on the site. We encourage our members to get involved submitting photos, stories, or letting us know about upcoming events. <http://torontoislandcanoecub.org>

Ongoing: Starting May 18th we would like our members to join in on a *Weekly Saturday Social Paddle*. Please be aware early on in the season that cold water policy is in effect. Bring proper clothing and paddling gear appropriate to the weather conditions.

May 1st: TICC will start sending out invoices for the 2019 season, this year we are using a new platform and moving away from PayPal. Check your email for an invoice via Square payment services.

May 11th: Our first social of the year will take place this is a great chance to meet other members and help with a spring cleaning of the club. Shoreline and clubhouse cleaning will take place from 10am-noon then our open house/fundraiser will take place noon-2pm please let us know how you can help kanucub@gmail.com .

May 15th: Your 2019 season begins please ensure that you have signed all waivers etc and have completed your orientation. As members you are free to start using the facilities and enjoying the water.

May 26th: Port Credit masters time trials these are informal regattas hosting by various clubs in the region. These are fun social events and a great learning experience for racers.

June 8th: The Mississauga Canoe Club regatta is the first formal regatta of the season for the Western Ontario Division, open and masters races available.

June 23rd: South Niagara Canoe Club hosts the 2nd masters time trials of the season, this is a great opportunity to learn how to race, and spend some time in wine country.

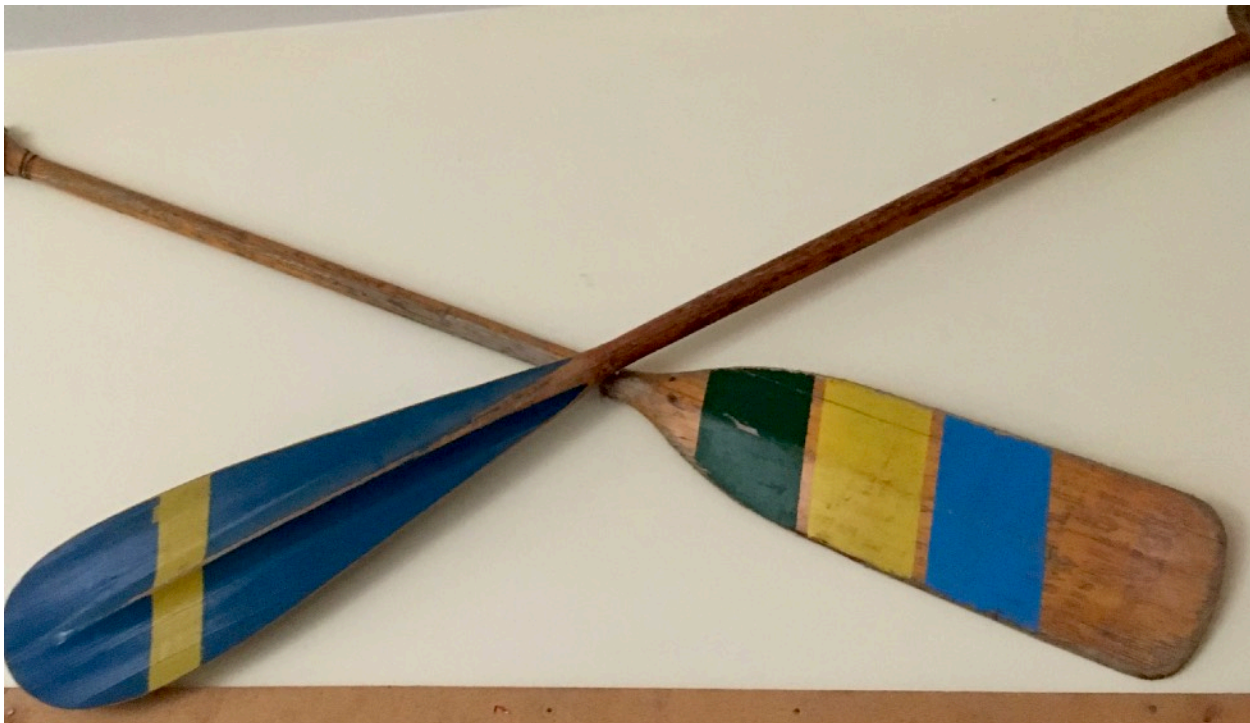
July 1st: Come be part of one of the oldest regattas ongoing on the Island, we will need volunteers and racers to help take part of this long time tradition. Please let us know in advance as we will have to put in formal entries and volunteers. www.ddra.ca

July 2nd: Toronto Island Canoe Club starts up its summer camp season. These full day camp programs run as one week sessions for more information please contact torontoislandcanoecub@yahoo.ca or check out our website for more information.

Racing

If you are interested in attending any of the races throughout the season please let us know well in advance. It takes time to submit entries, collect race fees, and recruit volunteers. We will do our best to coordinate with other clubs for access to boats on race day. Toronto Island Canoe Club will not be sending a trailer to these events. As we only have members over the age of 19 you are eligible to race in either open categories at races or the masters category.

Please contact [**ian.ramsay@yahoo.ca**](mailto:ian.ramsay@yahoo.ca) (TICC sprint rep).



Safety First

We are all excited to get back on the water but we have to remember to do so in a safe responsible manner. All waivers must be signed and submitted by members before hitting the water. These will be available at the open house on May 11th.

Cold Water Safety

Toronto Island Canoe Club Cold Water Policy: Everyone must wear a PFD when on the water or air is 10 degrees Celsius or below. No exceptions!

We strongly urge our members to read or be familiar with the safe boating guide published by Transport Canada we do have a link for this available on our website: http://torontoislandcanoecub.org/safety_guidelines

Members Handbook

Please be sure to read out members handbook which is available on the website. We have made some adjustments to rules and policies. It is your responsibility as a member to review the document prior to the season opening. <http://torontoislandcanoecub.org/members>

Volunteering

Volunteering is fundamental to building the culture of the Toronto Island Canoe Club. Your participation ensures we can offer membership at an affordable cost. Volunteering brings our members together to build friendships, learn more about paddling, and encourage participation in our community.

Throughout the year we will have functions that rely on everyone lending a helping hand. Please let us know which of the events you will be able to help out with in 2019.

Membership/Volunteer coordinator: James Pasley Kanucub@gmail.com

Open house spring cleaning

May 11th, 2019*

(we will do the spring cleaning of the club along side a fundraising plant/craft sale and an open house to kick off our spring registration)

Fall fundraiser/winterizing the club

Nov 9th, 2019*

(an end of season cleaning of the club, boats will be moved inside the club for the winter, water shut off etc.)

Christmas tree sale

Dec 2019

(our largest annual fundraiser this involves transporting the trees to the island, setting up for the tree sale and the best part selling of the trees)

Boat bay maintenance

Ongoing

(this includes sweeping the floors and general housekeeping in the boat bays making sure it is clean, organized and accessible for all members)

Clubhouse maintenance

Ongoing

(the kitchen and washrooms are a common space area and we all need to do our part to keep it tidy)

Shoreline maintenance

Ongoing

(the shoreline and docks are a used by everyone please do your part to help out with vegetation management.

DDRA safety boat/line judge

July 1st, 2019

*Dates may be changed as required

Did you know?

We do have limited amount of lockers available at the canoe club for members use. They are \$40 a year and are available on a first come first serve basis. Cut back on the gear you have to bring over to the Island and just be ready to hit the water.



Have a fun safe paddling season in 2019!