



Rideau Canoe Club

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Rideau's Maddy Schmidt Wins Medal at Junior Worlds

In July, Maddy won a Bronze medal in K-1 200 m at the Junior Worlds in Welland, Ont. 63 countries were represented. At the competition, Russia won 18 medals, Hungary won 17 medals and Canada was 3rd overall with 6 medals.

Rideau Wins 15 gold, 12 silver and 16 bronze at Canadian Championships, Montreal

Seventy Rideau paddlers competed at the Olympic Basin, Montreal, finishing 2nd among 42 clubs. Cheema Aquatic Club, Waverly N.S. won the burgee with 685 points, Rideau was second with 572 points, 3rd Burloak 563 points, 4th Trois Riviers 423 points, 5th Senobe Aquatic Club 410 points, 6th Pointe Claire 408 points.

Lucy Slade Memorial Trophy Presented to Maddy Schmidt

A memorial trophy designed by Bevin Schmidt and Andrea Keenan was presented at the 2013 Canadian Championships for U19 Women K-1 1000m. Maddy was the first paddler to win this trophy in honour of Rideau's former paddler, our beloved Lucy Slade, who departed us at the tender age of 38. Presiding in the ceremony was Andy Ball, children Quinn and Adrian, father Charles Slade, brother Tom, and his wife Lauren, Bevin Schmidt and Lucy's former paddling buddies Laura Hodgson, Katie Greer, Kenna Robins and many Rideau members.

Wrestling Reinstated 2020 Olympic Games

In February 2013, the 14 member IOC Executive Committee voted to eliminate Wrestling from the 2020 Games. Many of the world's top countries met to discuss this rather weird decision and were successful as the 114 member countries voted in September 2013 to reinstate wrestling. Michael Chambers, former President, COC was happy to lose his bet to Mike Scott regarding this decision.

Ottawa Dragon Boat Paddlers World Champions

The 2013 World Dragon Boat Championships were held in Budapest, Hungary. The following women from Ottawa won gold medals in 200m 500m 1000m: Kris Foss, Ann Raymond, Lynn Shepherd, Sue Holloway, Connie Hart, Heidi Maglaras, Holly Lennox, Emilie Larviere, Christine Lefebvre Michelle Lavoie, Krysta Matthews. 21 countries were represented. These women are members of the Galley Girls of Ottawa, who qualified for the 2014 World Club Championships in Italy. Bruce Raymond coaches the Galley Girls. The qualifying regatta was held on Elk Lake, B.C.

Lorraine Lafreniere - New CEO Coaching Association of Canada

Lorraine, former Director General, Canoe Kayak Canada was selected the new CEO. She has been Director General of CKC since 2009. Lorraine is a former employee of CAC.

Angus Mortimer, Maddy Win Gold in Puerto Rico

At the Pan-American Canoe Championships in Ponce, Puerto Rico, Angus Mortimer won gold in the K-1 1000m, Maddy Schmidt won gold in the K-1 200m, 500m and 1000m. Rideau's Drew Hodges was 4th in C-1 1000m.

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John Bales Re-elected President, International Council for Coaching Excellence (ICCE)

John with Coaching Association of Canada for 35 years and CEO 17 years left CAC in July 2013. In September 2013, in Durban, South Africa, John was re-elected President of ICCE for a 4 year term. The ICCE consists of national coaching bodies, worldwide, and fosters coaching development and coaching as a profession.

Kate Braddon Medals in Czech Republic

Fresh from three gold medals at the Canadian Championships, Kate and Ariane Cyr of Lac Beauport earned silver medals in K2 1000m at the Olympic Hopes International Regatta in Racice, Czech Republic. Victor Turcanu, Ottawa River Canoe Club finished 5th in Men's K2 500m.

Maddy and Ben Win Gold in Slovakia

At the International Regatta in Piestany, Slovakia, Rideau paddlers Maddy Schmidt and Ben Tardioli won gold medals as members of Canada's U23 National Team. Maddy won gold in the K-2 1000m, silver K-2 200m 500m, and bronze K-1 1000m. Ben won gold C-2 200, silver C-1 200m, silver C-2 500m, and bronze C-1 500m.

Cheyenne Farquharson Coaching in New Zealand

Cheyenne has raced for Rideau for 10 years and has enjoyed coaching the past 4 years. She is a student at the University of Ottawa, studying Human Kinetics. She departs mid-December for New Zealand to coach at the Poverty Bay Canoe Club in Gisborne, New Zealand. She will be coaching there for 2.5 months, working with Liz and Alan Thompson (double gold medalist, 1984 Olympics).

The Boys in the Boat

A 400 page true story by Daniel James Brown. A must read for all paddlers. Epic quest for gold at the 1936 Olympic Games. QUOTE: The first few weeks of practice for the rowing teams included talks by Coach Bolles, University of Seattle, Washington. The boys heard time and again that the course they had chosen to embark on was difficult almost beyond imagining, that both their bodies and their moral character would be tested in the months ahead, that only a very few of them who possessed near superhuman physical endurance and mental toughness would prove good enough to wear a W on their crests, and that by Christmas most of them would have given up, perhaps to play something less physically demanding, like football. He spoke of life-transforming experience and of growing from boyhood to manhood.

Seven Rideau paddlers at World Masters Games

In August, 10,000 athletes visited Torino, Italy for competitions in 30 sports. Many individual sports have age categories, including canoe kayak. K-1 age 50-54 had 50 competitors, many Olympic and World class paddlers, 6 heats, semi-finals, finals. Racing kayak 200m and 1000m from Rideau was Jade Puddington, Meredith Curren, Allison Cathcart, Julie Coburn, Sylvia Sander, and Stephan Sander. In canoe 200m, 1000m Julie Coburn, Gabby (Toronto) Women's C-2, Bob Kay C-1, C-2 with Bill Lobban (N.S.). Won their age category. In 4 years the Games will be in New Zealand.

Casino Royale Fundraiser - Successful

On Nov. 29th, 150 people attended the canoe club event. Professional casino tables were in the lounge for roulette, poker, blackjack, each with a professional dealer. \$500 in chips included with admission. All tables were occupied from 7.30pm to 10.00 pm as patrons enjoyed the action, servers provided food and drink. The upstairs gym took on a new look, as 100 or so items were displayed at the silent auction. Teen paddlers circulated with hors d'oeuvre, music played with the socializing. Some adults wore a tuxedo, bowties; some male paddlers wore suits with a tie, others in casual wear. A "Tip of the Hat" to all involved.

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Odds and Ends

Tanya Herman (Rid 80`s) Canada Games Team now RCMP Officer, Burnaby B.C.+++ Hector Carranco, appointed Executive Director RCC on a part-time basis.+++ Chrissy Bourassa (Rid) teaching in Toronto, now engaged.+++Pat Lester appointed Head Coach Carleton Place C.C. Ryan Blair has returned to Toronto.+++Fred Chambers (Rid 60`s) has lived in Yellowknife 40 years, Prelude Lake 20 years. Jan-March lives at Lake Havasu, Arizona.+++ In Sept. Phil Ottens (Rid 90`s) married in Sydney, Australia. Neil Bales (Rid 90`s) in wedding party. Elena Bales, John Bales were guests.+++Frank Desrosiers (Rid) raced K-1 U23 (21km) at the ICF Marathon World Championships in Denmark.+++Ben Tardioli (Rid) won Sr. C-1 500m at the CKC Championships and the Mike Scott Trophy. Previous winners were Mark Oldershaw, Steve Giles.+++Meredith Curren was honoured as Master Paddler of the Year at Canmas Banquet, Montreal. She is coordinator of the successful Masters program at Rideau. She has been active in this role for 6 years.+++ Masters paddler Doug Hollingsworth with wife Lynda x-country skiing for 3 weeks at Silver Star, B.C.+++Tommy DesBrisay (Rid) 9th overall, top Canadian among 12,143 runners in the Disney Wine and Dine 1/2 marathon in Florida.+++Stephan Sander (Rid), was 10 year member National x-country Ski Team.+++ Alison Roy (Rid) Canada Games Team 1985, back in Ottawa, enrolled in a Medical Diagnostic course.+++Adrian Richardson and Lindsay Spires welcomed Macy Greer on October 23, a little sister for Alexa.+++ Liz Elton teaching English in China.

Rideau Executive 2014

Commodore Ron Sibthorpe, Past Commodore Sue Holloway, Vice-Commodore Andrew Stead, Secretary Terry Longhorn, Treasurer: Stephan Sander, Executive Director Hector Carranco, Directors: Scott Seaby, Doug Abraham, Louise Schmidt, Gillian Bryenton, Brent Schmidt, Ivonne Shoucair, Mike Brownlie, Lorraine Lafrance

Petrie Island Summer Camps

Sarah Kennedy, originally from Orenda Canoe Club, Lake Echo, N.S., a long-time paddler now living in Orleans, Ont., was Program Director and coach for Regatta-Ready kids who attended the Petrie Island camps. Camps ran full day and half day, for two weeks each, over a 6 week period. Rideau provided 14 mini-kayaks for the boys and girls aged 9-11. Friends of Petrie Island (a conservation group that maintains the Petrie Island trails and Nature Center), provided a safety boat. On September 15th, a 100m fun regatta was held with Rideau paddlers and coaches in attendance, including World Medalist Maddie Schmidt, who, with fellow Canadian Team member P.L. Poulin, awarded competitors with cookie medals. Councilor Bob Monette was also in attendance, and presented Kennedy with a plaque for service to the community. Sarah has been nominated for CKC's 2013 Club Development Award, for development and promotion of sprint canoe/kayak at a grassroots level. Rideau plans to offer the Petrie Island program again in summer 2014.

Tamas Buday Sr., Imre Kemesey, and Tom Hall Visit Rideau

In October, Tamas Sr. and Imre, former National Team and Olympic coaches held ergometer teaching sessions for two days, approximately 80 paddlers (30 canoes, 50 kayakers including 12 masters). Tom Hall, Olympic bronze medalist, spoke to the group after a chili dinner.

Paddlers Raise \$20,000 for Special Olympics

In October, at Rideau, 60 Olympic, National Team and club paddlers took part in the Motionball Marathon of Sport, which consists of teams taking part in 5 sports, each with one or two Special Olympians. This was the 5th year for this event at Rideau. Main organizers were Ian & Angus Mortimer, Christine Bain, Ryan Cuthbert.

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