



Nelson Rowing Club

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NEWSLETTER March 2010

The AGM for the Nelson Rowing Club, held Wednesday, March 24th was immensely productive. The highlights are:

2010 LTR and Junior Coach and Co-ordinators:

- 1) Kim Shea has been hired to be the coach for both the juniors and Learn-to-Row. Lessons will begin mid-May and run through mid-July.
- 2) Mary Collodel has been hired to be the program co-ordinator for the LTR and juniors' practise schedule.

Schedules and phone number for both will be posted soon on the NRC website, as well as advertised through the Nelson Daily News as usual.

Note for Juniors: The BC Summer Games is from June 23rd to 25th, being held in Ft. Langley, B.C. this year. Kim Shea is our zone rep, and indicates that if there are any juniors who are keen to go as rowers, they should contact her or Mary Collodel now to get started on practising. Registration deadline is Monday, June 7th. This zone is allowed 9 rowers.

2010 NRC Touring Event. Program Co-ordinator Kim Shea:

- The NRC will host a Touring Event on Kootenay Lake over the Labour Day weekend, from noon Friday, September 2nd through Sunday, September 4th.
- Boats will be trucked over the Kootenay Lake ferry to a suitable site in either Kootenay Bay or Crawford Bay, where they will be rerigged and launched. Rowers will then row to the Tipi Camp past Grey Creek, where the tour will be operating.
- The cost is estimated at \$300 for the three-day event. Catering, first aid, and accommodation in the tipis will be provided. Rowers will be able to have their personal gear taken by coach boat to the site.
- Participants can leave their vehicles at the Balfour side of the ferry.
- Safety boats will be provided by the NRC and other volunteers.
- An additional touring quad has already been arranged through Rowing Canada. There is also the possibility of renting one from the Salmon Arm club, and from Kelowna RC.
- The Tipi Camp can accommodate up to 25 people in its tipis, which represents 5 quads of rowers. Any more will have to look at bringing their own tents.
- Maurice will be putting out a notice for NRC members to invite them to sign-up on a first-come, first-served basis.

Fee Structure. – Same as last year. 2010 season begins April 1st – pay your fees!

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Corporate Challenge report. Program Co-ordinator Amy Stevenson:

- The Corporate Challenge training program be structured as a two-week intensive, with lessons two nights a week and two on the weekend, with the Challenge conducted the final weekend.
- This would mean a total of 6 lessons with 12 hours total training time.
- Getting access to the Rowing Canada quad so that two sets of CC could be conducted during the same time period and making it possible to use both boats during the challenge race – lots more exciting and meaningful for the participants, is going to be looked into by Kim Shea, the new NRC coach.
- The Corporate Challenge will be run during the May-June window, as it would then be easier to get the participants interested in LTR to join while the coach is still available.
- Chris Smith has volunteered to do some of the CC training.

Development of East Bay of boathouse as a joint venture with the Nelson Canoe and Kayak Club.

- Development of the east bay in the boathouse shared with the Nelson Canoe and Kayak Club, by concreting the floor and installing a lengthwise partition has been proposed.
- The NRC would use the west side of the bay, reserving the rear portion for a repair bay.
- The work would be done during September and early October, as that bay would have to be totally emptied for the construction to take place.

Boathouse Rental for Private boats.

- A fee for storage of private boats in the boathouse has been set at \$50 per annum, payable at the same time as yearly membership fees. The monies raised would be put toward the development of the east bay in the boathouse.

Equipment Notes:

- The *Don Arnold* is still being repaired and will be ready in about a month.
- *Kysa* has been taken out of service as it needs inspection to determine what if any repairs need to be made for safety reasons.

DOCK NOTE: Rowers need to note when the non-slip surface on the dock needs repairing. If a corner has come loose and needs to be resecured with a screw, please to do so yourself, or leave a note in the log book (that all are to sign in and out of with each row!).

HAPPY and SAFE Rowing for 2010!

Remember to check the NRC website for rowing schedules, LTR and juniors' practises, as well as interesting news and information.

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