

Youth paddling activities at Long Lake this spring

We have lots of exciting things going on this spring at Nanaimo Canoe & Kayak Club. The first is a Youth Paddling Program on either Monday/Wednesday 6-7:45pm or Tuesday/Thursday 6-7:45pm and Saturday mornings from 10am-12noon to build fundamental skills on the water in both recreational & sprint canoe & kayaks. The program runs until the end of June with the opportunity to join a summer paddling program. Registration is ongoing.

The Club has various Introductory 2 hour Splash Clinics offered during the evenings and weekends which provide a safe, fun way to experience the sport and learn about the Club.

On May 1, registration opens online for the Club's popular weekly summer camps. The half day camp program for ages 7-13yrs runs from 9am-12noon and 1-4pm. A full day camp option and teen program is being explored at this time and will be confirmed by May 1.

NCKC is offering school field trips throughout May and June for grades 4-12. Contact information@nckc.ca to book.

On June 5, the NCKC will host the Zone 6 Trials to represent the Island at the BC Summer Games in Prince George this July. The trials event is open to all Island paddlers aged 10-15yrs who would a chance to compete for a spot on the team. To register or for more information, please contact commodore@nckc.ca.

The BC Cup Canoe-Kayak Regatta will be hosted on June 18 & 19th at Loudon Park, Long Lake. Athletes from throughout BC will be in attendance to race distances of 200, 500, and 1000m in singles, doubles and four person sprint canoes & kayaks.

The Club offers single and family annual memberships and allow members to access the equipment during scheduled paddling sessions after receiving training.

NCKC is the successful recipient of a grant from CanoeKayak BC and the KidSport Fund to offer youth who identify as newcomers, Indigenous, or



low income a space in its Spring Youth Paddling Program. Interested youth are asked to submit a letter for consideration to commodore@nckc.ca or to call 250-758-4052.

The NCKC relies on the support that volunteers bring to its' board of directors, special events, boat maintenance, and program delivery. If you would like to get involved, please visit www.nckc.ca to learn more.

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