



## **Position: Fundamentals and Foundations Coach- Regatta Ready & Canoe Kids Programs**

The Ottawa River Canoe club is looking for two enthusiastic people to work as the Fundamentals & Foundations Coaches within the Regatta Ready Program.

The Ottawa River Canoe Club was established in 2001 with a focus on the development of sprint canoeing and kayaking, dragon boating, and outrigger paddling at the recreational and competitive levels. ORCC youth and adult programs span recreational, pre-competitive and competitive sprint paddling. Youth programs include Canoe Kids Summer Camps, Regatta Ready Summer Camps and sprint training programs. Adult programs include masters sprint paddling, dragon boat, outrigger, and stand-up paddling (SUP). The club also offers recreational and competitive programs for adults and youth with a physical (Para) or intellectual (Paddle All) disability. ORCC athletes compete and succeed at the divisional, provincial, national and international levels of competition.

The Regatta Ready program is designed for participants to build their paddling skills and compete at regional regattas. The focus is on team spirit as the athletes represent the ORCC at regional regattas organized by the Eastern Ontario Division of Canoe Kayak Canada.

Participants will have loads of fun competing in a "race-type" environment with similar teams from Ottawa, Carleton Place, North Bay, Sydenham, and Gananoque. Last year, many ORCC competitors were recognized for their paddling skills at these regattas. The 2019 local regattas will be hosted at Gananoque, Carleton Place, North Bay, and Sydenham Canoe Club.

The Canoe Kids program provides a fun camp environment for children to learn fundamental canoe and kayak skills and to encourage a lifelong interest in paddling. The Canoe Kids program is designed to provide children an opportunity to paddle and socialize with their friends in a fun team environment. Campers develop water safety awareness and paddling skills while increasing their confidence on the water. The camping day includes on-land active games, crafts, and discovery time. The focus is on summer fun!

The coach will be responsible for new athletes that come for 1-2 weeks during the summer to participate in the Regatta Ready Camps. This is a full-time job for the months of July and August; 8:00-4:30pm during the week, as well as weekends where



regattas exist. FUNdamentals coaches will also work with the Canoe Kids day camp program during high registration weeks.

**Essential Qualifications:**

- Entry Level Competitive Coach Certified\*
- First aid, CPR-C and AED certified\*
- Vulnerable Sector Check for applicants 18 years or older; 2 personal references for applicants under 18 years
- Ontario Pleasure Craft Operators Card\*

\*candidates may obtain these certifications after applying, but must have them prior to starting the job.

**Assets:**

- Enthusiasm, willingness to learn, positive attitude.
- Outstanding communication, organization collaboration and leadership skills
- Knowledge of the Canoe Kayak Canada Long Term Athlete Development principles
- Previous experience coaching Sprint Canoe & Kayak
- War Canoe Coxing experience
- NLS certified

**Job Duties:**

**Safety:**

- Promote and encourage sport in a fun and safe environment to all athletes.
- Abide by all of the Club rules and policies and promote them to all Club paddlers.
- Responsible for the safety of all athletes being coached.
- Abide by, and enforce the Canoe Kayak Canada, Canoe Kayak Ontario-Sprint, and Ottawa River Canoe Club Codes of Safety.
- Report any safety issues to the Head Coach, Sprint Program Manager or Executive Director in a timely manner.

**Athlete Development:**

- Work collaboratively with the Head Coach to create the weekly training program for the Fundamentals and Foundations (FUN) athletes.
- Work collaboratively with the Head Coach and rest of the ORCC staff to deliver the weekly program for the FUN group.



- When required work collaboratively with the Head Coach to assist with the delivery of the Learn to Train and Train to Train programs.
- When required work collaboratively with the Canoe Kids Coordinator and Head Coach to assist with the delivery of the Canoe Kids program.
- Work collaboratively with the team and volunteers to ensure all logistics are in place for training sessions for all groups.

**Competition:**

- Upon request from the Junior Head Coach or Head Coach attend the following regattas; Gananoque Regatta (July 6th); Rideau U11 Regattas (July 12<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, and Aug 9<sup>th</sup>); Carleton Place Regatta (July 13th); North Bay Regatta (July 20<sup>th</sup>); EOD Championships (August 10 & 11) and Ontario Championships (August 18<sup>th</sup>)
- Upon request from the Head Coach, take part in ad-hoc disciplinary committees, parent-athlete-coach interviews or other relevant duties.

Salary: depending on qualifications

Start date is June 26th and end date is August 18th.

Deadline for application: March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019

Please submit a cover letter and resume by email to:

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