



2022 Festivals





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Our Mission:

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“We bring joy to thousands of people through the love of paddling”

Our mission at the Fairway Gorge Paddling Club is to bring communities together through the joy of paddling. The facility is located on Victoria's beautiful Gorge waterway, where each year – even through the COVID-19 pandemic – the club enables thousands of people to paddle, race, train and experience dragon boating, outrigger canoeing, kayaking, stand-up paddle boarding and more.

Through the dedication of our members, the generosity of our local community, and countless hours of work from volunteers, athletes and staff, FGPC has the largest combined fleet of dragon boats, outrigger canoes, kayaks and SUPs on Vancouver Island.

We have a strong cadre of coaches who welcome paddlers at any stage of their paddling journey, from novices to those who are competing at the world level.

One of our major focuses is dragon boating, which is one of the world's fastest-growing sports. Dragon boating enjoys a global reach, with more than 300 million participants around the world.

At the Fairway Gorge Paddling Club, we are dedicated to the growth and development of paddle sport races. We have hosted hundreds of events with thousands of individual race experiences over the last 15 years.

Our race management team will host five major dragon boat events on Vancouver Island in 2022.

FGPC is also the organizer for dragon boat events for the BC 55+ Games, to be held in Victoria, September 13 - 17, 2022.

Come join us! Visit one of our events, or join our community of paddlers.

We hope to see you soon.



The Fairway Gorge Paddling Club is dedicated to enhancing and growing paddling sports for all of Vancouver Island. That's why we're so happy to introduce in 2022 the new Vancouver Island Dragon Boat Festival.



Our Disciplines:

“The thrill of competition, the beauty of a well-trained crew, the joy of being on the water.”



With one of the best climates in Canada, the Fairway Gorge Paddling Club is based on the Gorge waterway. These waters are largely protected from extreme wind and cold, providing one of the best year-round training environments in Canada.

The club's water activities focus on five main disciplines, with programs designed to work for almost anyone on their paddling journey. From complete novices, to those who may face physical and other challenges, to world-class athletes competing around the globe, FGPC is the home for you.

Dragon Boat

A highly popular sport that is now thousands of years old, dragon boating is a highly inclusive sport, and FGPC is proud to coach and support youth and senior teams, and teams associated with breast cancer survivors, multiple sclerosis and other challenges. FGPC has also revamped many of its programs to be safe and relevant during the COVID-19 pandemic, profoundly improving the quality of life for many athletes.



Six-Person Outrigger Canoe (OC6)

Outrigger canoes (those with a single pontoon), are thought to have been invented thousands of years ago in Southeast Asia, eventually making their way to the Polynesian people, who voyaged on them to Hawaii in about 200 AD. Superbly designed for extended ocean voyages in sometimes extremely challenging conditions, these vessels are popular racing craft around the world, ranging from traditional wooden boats, to heavy fibreglass boats, to high-tech carbon boats that weigh less than 90 kilograms.



Single-Person Outrigger Canoe (OC1)

OC1s were developed in Hawaii by taking traditional rudderless Tahitian flat water canoes (called va'a) and adding a rudder, making them an ideal boat for surfing large waves in heavy conditions. The OC1 is now an essential part of outriggers. Athletes are evaluated on their ability to handle the boat in a variety of conditions while competing in time trials, which helps coaches assign seats in competitive OC6 crews.



Kayaks & Stand-Up Paddle Boards

The Fairway Gorge Paddling Club has a large fleet of kayaks and SUPs, which are perfect for recreational paddlers looking to get out on the Gorge and enjoy a moderate workout in beautiful surroundings. After an orientation session, these boats are available through a monthly subscription.



Sprint Kayak and the Chinook Racing Canoe Club



FGPC is extremely proud to host Victoria's Chinook Racing Canoe Club, which is solely focused on sprint kayaks. Chinook's highly trained coaches ensure youth paddlers have choices from casual recreational paddling to competitive provincial, national, international, and Olympic dreams.

From dragon boats to outrigger canoes to kayaks & SUPs, to those who may have Olympic dreams, FGPC is the place to have fun on the water.



Our Services:

“The Fairway Gorge Paddling Club is dedicated to safety, quality and the highest standards of professionalism”

From race management, to a top-notch gym, to retail operations, kids' camps, group bookings, coaching, training camps and more, the Fairway Gorge Paddling Club is dedicated to safety, quality and the highest standards of professionalism.

As a non-profit society, FGPC is a member-driven organization, which means our programs are designed, and refined by paddlers, for paddlers, in almost everything we do.





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Our Services:



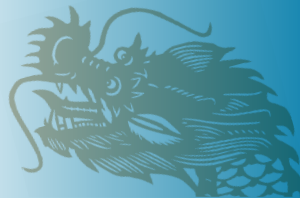
Kids' Camps

Thousands of children over the years have enjoyed fun and adventure at Fairway Gorge Paddling Club's Kids Paddlesports camps!

We offer two camps, one for children 6-10 years old and one for youths aged 11-15 years. Young paddlers learn and continue to develop basic paddling skills in a fun and safe environment. They explore the Gorge waterway and Victoria Inner Harbour in a variety of different paddle craft including sea and sprint kayaks, outrigger canoes, dragon boats and stand-up-paddleboards. We offer outstanding instruction provided by experienced and enthusiastic coaches.



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Group Bookings

Invite your classroom, your co-workers, your social group or your sports team to an adventure on the water. We can accommodate groups of 10 to 120 people for one-time and multi-session bookings. We offer flexible schedules and on-water experiences tailored to your specific needs, interests and abilities. FGPC supplies the safety equipment and staff,

PFDs, paddles and qualified coaches who will accommodate your group's willingness for fun, team work and adventure. The summers fill up fast, so we encourage groups to book as early as they can for the best date selections. Dragon boat and kayak experiences are available for adults, youth and children.



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Our Services:



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Our classes are an effective way to get fit, have fun and at the same time get educated.

Our trainers focus on educating you so that your results are guaranteed. We want you to be confident in your investment of your time and money. Personal training is available in person, or online. Check out our full offerings at www.waterfront.fit

Waterfront Outfitters

Waterfront Outfitters is FGPC's retail arm. Our store, located at 2940 Jutland Road, is full of paddling gear, life jackets, paddles, lights, clothing and other goods for those who love being on the water.

We also have gifts, jewelry and other products for sale – perfect for anyone looking for an ocean-themed gift. Our gear is FGPC-tested, which means the products are used by our coaches and paddlers, and ready for the rigors of our sport.



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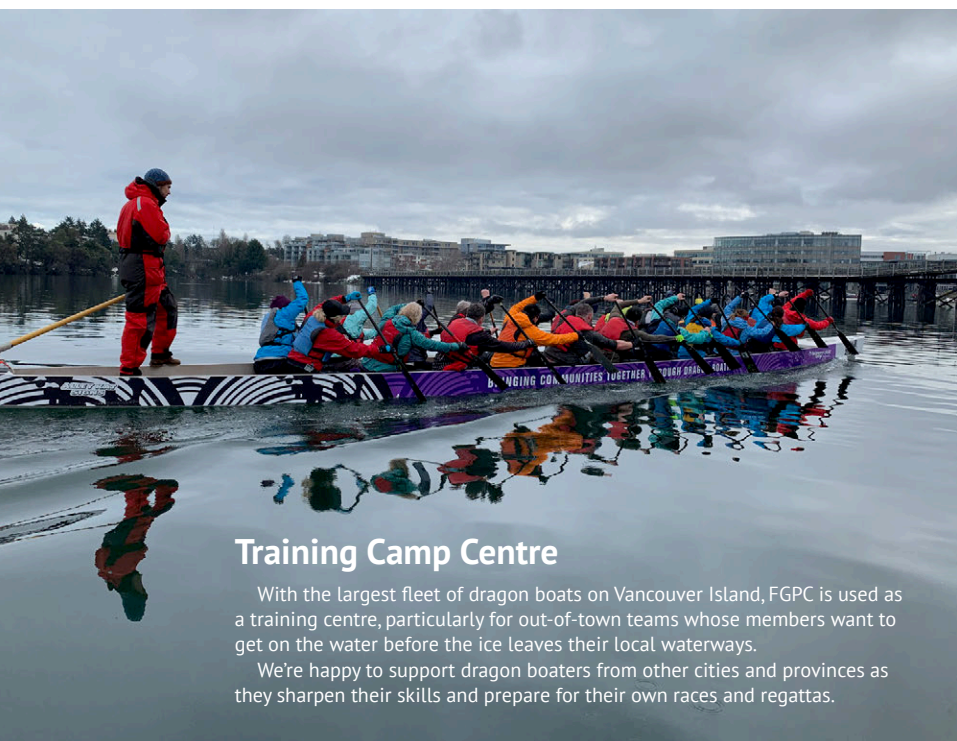
Race Management

FGPC has a team of more than 50 dedicated staff, coaches and fitness instructors who run programs, races, events and other services for the following operations:

- Fairway Gorge Paddling Club
- Selkirk Waterfront Fitness Centre
- Waterfront Outfitters
- Vancouver Island Dragon Boat Race Series, with races in Victoria, Nanaimo and Comox.



We have produced hundreds of festivals since our inception in 2014 with more than 100,000 race starts. If you've seen a dragon boat festival on Vancouver Island, it's likely we've produced it.



Training Camp Centre

With the largest fleet of dragon boats on Vancouver Island, FGPC is used as a training centre, particularly for out-of-town teams whose members want to get on the water before the ice leaves their local waterways.

We're happy to support dragon boaters from other cities and provinces as they sharpen their skills and prepare for their own races and regattas.

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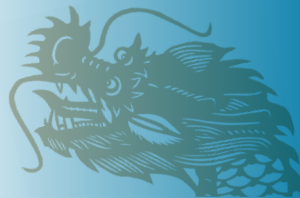
2940 Jutland Road, Victoria, next to Glo Restaurant



Our Festivals:



“We are dedicated to supporting dragon boating and supporting paddlers throughout Vancouver Island, our province, our country and beyond.”



We're happy to be producing five major dragon boat events across Vancouver Island this summer in Victoria, Comox and Nanaimo.

As dragon boating rebuilds across British Columbia after COVID-19, we are dedicated to supporting the sport and supporting paddlers throughout the Island, our province, our country and beyond.

We are excited to introduce the Vancouver Island Dragon Boat Race Series, in which dragon boat teams can compete for the right to call themselves the top team on the Island by competing, and winning, in all of our events.

Here is a brief description of the events we'll be hosting this summer:

Fairway Gorge Super Sprints

Victoria, May 14, 2022

This event is the first FGPC festival of the season, and it's always a great way to begin a year of dragon boat racing. Quick and crazy, these 200-metre sprints give athletes a chance to showcase early in the year all the work they've put into training throughout the fall and winter. This event is fun, fast and fantastic, sure to get the heart pumping for spectators and racers alike.



Comox Dragon Boat Festival

Comox, June 11, 2022

This fun but competitive event features women's and mixed teams in 500-metre races. Races and festival activities will be held at Comox's beautiful Marina Park. Music! Food! Activities! There's a lot to love about this event, see you there!



Nanaimo Dragon Boat Festival

Nanaimo, with races on

July 9-10, 2022

This festival is one of Vancouver Island's signature dragon boat events, popular with Island teams and teams from the Lower Mainland and elsewhere in Canada. It's super easy to attend, with ferry service from Horseshoe Bay to just a few kilometres away from the race site. It's a great weekend of 500-metre racing, featuring women's and mixed categories.



Vancouver International Island Dragon Boat Festival

Victoria, August 6-7, 2022

We're launching the Vancouver Island Dragon Boat Festival in 2022 on the Gorge Waterway along Victoria's spectacular harbour system. This exciting weekend of racing draws on FGPC's experience running many of Vancouver Island's signature dragon boat festivals, along with innovations garnered through the hands-on experiences of FGPC's production team at race venues around the world. The 2022 VIDBF will challenge local, regional and international teams across competitive and recreational divisions over a number of exciting formats.



Guts-&-Glory Championships

Victoria, September 17, 2022

For paddlers who love non-stop action as well as both dragon boating and paddling in outriggers, this is the event for you! This unique regatta features crew boat racers in dragon boats and OC6s, on 1,000-metre and 1,500-metre courses. Launched in 2021, this incredibly popular event allows crews to test their endurance and entertain spectators.



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Our Commitment:



Make Every Second Count for you, your team, and everyone in B.C. touched by cancer

The Fairway Gorge Paddling Club has raised tens of thousands of dollars over the years to help in the fight against cancer.

As we all know, this fight endures, with 80,000 patients per year depending on BC Cancer.

We know that one in two people in our province will face cancer in their lifetime and BC Cancer is igniting progress to break down cancer, piece by piece, in the labs and clinics.

That's why we're so proud to be once again offering a 'Make Every Second Count Campaign' for BC Cancer

Competitors, supporters and donors who want to aid in the fight against cancer and help teams go for gold at FGPC's Vancouver Island dragon boat races can now do both!

Similar to the Fairway Gorge Paddling Club's annual Wetdashe event, by donating to the BC Cancer Foundation through the Vancouver Island Dragon Boat Race Series' 'Make Every Second Count Campaign', teams can "add speed" by shaving off one-second from their total time in special championship heats for every \$1,000 raised.

Competitors and supporters can help dragon boat teams "add speed" in single events, single festivals or multiple regattas by raising donations through pledges in advance of each festival. The Vancouver Island Dragon Boat Race Series' 'Make Every Second Count Campaign' will incorporate a special race for top fundraising teams at each of the island's five festivals, at which each team's

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cumulative fundraising totals will be applied to the finish-line results. An FGPC-sponsored 'Make Every Second Count Campaign' trophy will be awarded at the end of the race season to the top fundraising and first-to-finish team.

Funds raised in the 'Make Every Second Count Campaign' will be used to benefit everyone in B.C. touched by cancer, with a special focus on Vancouver Island.



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Our Community, Our Leadership:

“We are dedicated to supporting dragon boating and supporting paddlers throughout Vancouver Island, our province, our country and beyond.”

FGPC has a deep commitment to the paddling community throughout Canada, with paddlers and paddling teams visiting the club from not only Greater Victoria, but British Columbia, Alberta, elsewhere in Canada, the USA and further abroad. The organization has raised thousands of dollars for cancer treatment and research, and has hosted online COVID-compliant outrigger paddling events in 2021 that attracted participants from across Canada, the U.S., the UK, Australia and New Zealand.

Dragon boating is an inclusive sport, and FGPC is proud to have coached and supported

youth and senior teams, and teams associated with cancer survivors, multiple sclerosis and vision impairment. FGPC also adapted many of its programs to be safe and relevant during the COVID-19 pandemic, improving the quality of life through access to sport for many athletes.

FGPC's race management division has hosted hundreds of regattas involving thousands of paddlers since 2014, with dozens of annual local events in our local waters, as well as regattas in Nanaimo, Victoria, Cowichan, Comox and elsewhere.



OUR BOARD:

As a non-profit society, FGPC relies on its board of directors, who hold leadership positions in their respective fields.

We are grateful for the leadership and the dedication of our board, both past and present. Our 2022 board members are:

CHAIR: **Yvonne Sharpe**, Business consultant

PAST CHAIR: **Tara Hastings**, General Counsel, Environmental Appeal Board / Forest Appeals Commission / Oil and Gas Appeal Tribunal

VICE CHAIR: **John Lavryssen**, HR professional, retired.

TREASURER: **Fiona Anderson**, Founder and president, Triumph Social Media Marketing, member of the BC Bar.

SECRETARY: **Janet Geddie**, Operations manager, TELUS.

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Message from **Yvonne Sharpe**

Chair, Fairway Gorge Paddling Club Society

Throughout the ebbs and flows of the COVID-19 pandemic, with constant work and the highest degrees of dedication and professionalism, the Fairway Gorge Paddling Club has remained a vital resource for those who love to get fit, train and get out on the water. Through our many programs – from children's camps to personal training to solo and crew boats – we have been working hard to meet and beat the challenges presented over these last two years.

Congratulations to the athletes and supporters involved in all of the Fairway Gorge Paddling Club's 2022 events. Thank you for your participation, and we look forward to seeing everyone on the water, once again.

Message from **Erik Ages**

General Manager, Fairway Gorge Paddling Club

Although we hosted a number of virtual and "real life" racing and paddling events over the past two years, 2022 heralds a welcomed return to large-scale competitions involving hundreds of paddlers in five major festivals across Vancouver Island.

All of the staff, coaches, volunteers, paddlers and most everyone else involved with the Fairway Gorge Paddling Club will either be working at or competing in many of these events.

We're excited to once again welcome friends, paddlers and supporters from other clubs and communities, and we're looking forward to hosting events in Nanaimo and Comox as well.

As we make our way through this racing season, we'd like to extend a heart-felt thank you to all of the athletes, supporters, vendors and staff at our events.

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