



ORCKA Camp Canoeing Instructor Course

**North Etobicoke pool and Six Mile Lake
May 4 - 4pm, June 13-15, 2014**

Dates and times

May 4 – 4 hours – 2 in the pool, 2 theory

June 14 – 2 hours theory

June 15 – 10 hours, 6 hours on the water

June 16 – 8 hours

Who is this for?

This is for any Scout Leader (youth or adult) who offers or would like to offer canoe instruction to other members of Scouting. It is the shortest instructor program that the Ontario Recreational Canoeing and Kayaking Association (ORCKA) offers. It is designed primarily for camps, but can also be used by organisations such as Scouting which have a tradition and proficiency in canoeing.

This is not a skills course! This is an instructor's course. It is assumed that you already have a paddling skill level equivalent to at least ORCKA Basic 4 (solo). You can find more details about that program on the ORCKA website. You should contact Keith Nunn at 647-824-1408 to discuss your paddling skill.

What will it let me do?

It will let you teach and certify members of Scouting to ORCKA Basic 2. This is roughly equivalent to the Paddling badge, but by the recognized provincial paddling authority. There are 4 levels to the Basic certification and there are more skilled paths in specific disciplines as well (whitewater, tripping, style paddling). If there is interest, then we will offer a full Basic Instructor course next year (it would be two full weekends)

What good is an ORCKA certification to my Scouts?

ORCKA is the most recognised canoeing authority in Ontario. ORCKA certification of one kind or another is used by most outfitters, tripping companies, camps and others. ORCKA certification can make those summer camp jobs easier to get. For Scouts with an interest in outdoor skills, it is a progression that truly runs through all skill levels and allows for more standardised learning and tracking of success.

Who's running this?

It is a joint effort between Scouts Canada and ORCKA. Instruction will be provided by Keith Nunn, a Scouter and ORCKA certified instructor in Whitewater and tripping disciplines. Also teaching the course will be long-time ORCKA instructor David Goldman.

How Much?

The registration cost assuming 6 students is \$165. If there are more students the price will fall. We will refund money at the weekend if that is the case.

The instructors are doing this as volunteers and so the costs are only the fixed ones:

- ORCKA CCI instructor certification and registration (\$85pp)
- Pool rental (\$172 total)
- food for the weekend portion (\$25pp) – cooking will be a shared task
- travel costs for the instructors (\$100 total)

In addition, you will need to pay your own travel costs and bring one canoe per two students. We can probably arrange for more canoes, but that would be an additional cost.

How do I register?

Send a cheque payable to Scouts Canada – 403rd Toronto to Keith Nunn at 435 Shuter Street as well as an email with your name and address, email, phone number, group and member number, to kapn@kapn.net. If you haven't already talked with Keith about your paddling experience, call him at 647-824-1408.

As registered members there is no need for a waiver that we know of. We'll follow up on that stuff if necessary.

