

**56TH ANNUAL
CANOE THE NONQUON
SATURDAY, JUNE 6TH, 2026**



**Canoe
the
Nonquon**

BBQ FROM 11 AM TO 2 PM



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**Durham
Tourism**



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LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

MISSISSAUGAS OF SCUGOG ISLAND

FIRST NATION



Scugog is situated on treaty land that is steeped in rich Indigenous history. Today, we acknowledge that we are gathering on the traditional territories of the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation. We recognize and deeply appreciate the historic Indigenous connection to this land and recognize the contributions First Nations, Métis, and Inuit peoples have made, both in shaping and strengthening this community in particular, our province and country as a whole. We're grateful for the opportunity to meet here and we thank all the generations of people who have taken care of this land for thousands of years.

THANK YOU!

The Scugog Shores Museum would like to thank these sponsors and event supporters who made the race possible this year!

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**SCUGOG SHORES
MUSEUM**
Village and Archives


Amateur Radio Club

 **TOWNSHIP OF
Scugog**

Rotary 
Club of Port Perry



PORT PERRY MARINA

A logo for Signworks Canada. The word "SIGNWORKS" is in a stylized, bold font with a red maple leaf replacing the letter 'O'. Below it, "canada.com" is written in a smaller font. The background is a black and orange flame pattern.



NEW MUSEUM EXHIBIT

New Permanent Exhibit

Ecology and First Nations History

Inside Rodman Cabin, there is a new exhibit focusing on ecology and First Nations history. This exhibit explores traditional knowledge, the use of natural resources throughout history, and how we can care for our environment today. Learn about the construction of birch bark canoes, the resources of Lake Scugog, and the importance of land stewardship through guided or self-guided tours, and hands-on activities.



RACE SCHEDULE & LOCATIONS

Race Registration

Held at the Latcham Centre, 121 Queen Street, Port Perry

Located downtown at the waterfront at the corner of Water & Queen Street behind the Old Mill (large red building).

All participants must check in at registration prior to going to the starting line. Registration takes place Friday, June 5 from 6:00 to 9:00 PM or Saturday, June 6 from 7:00 to 9:30 AM. Competitor numbers will be issued at registration.

Race Start Time

Paddlers may start the race any time Saturday between 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM. No other watercraft will be allowed to participate in the race after this time.

Race Start Location

Bridge on Scugog Line 12

Located between Old Simcoe Road and Simcoe Road North near the Village of Seagrave, approximately 10 minutes north of Port Perry. Participants get in on the south side of the bridge. Your time begins once you paddle under the bridge.

Directions to Start Location: From the Latcham Centre, follow Queen Street East. Turn right at the lights on Simcoe Street and follow north for about 10 minutes. Turn left on Scugog Line 12 and proceed to the starting point.

(see map on back of brochure)

Race Finish Location

Robinglade Park (River Only)

Shuttles are available from Robinglade Park back to Scugog Line 12.

Latcham Centre (Full Course)

Latcham Centre is the same location as registration. When you arrive, keep right as you come out of the river onto the lake. Shuttles are available back to Scugog Line 12 from Latcham Centre.

BBQ & Awards Presentation

Enjoy a BBQ from 11 AM to 2 PM outside of Latcham Centre.

Awards Presentation will begin at 2:00 PM for 1st, 2nd & 3rd prize medals in all the competitive classes.

RULES & REGULATIONS

1. Participants must register at the Latcham Centre registration desk to pick up their canoe entry number either Friday evening or Saturday morning.
2. All vessels must pay the minimum registration fee (regardless of number of participants in watercraft), but pledges above the minimum registration fee are appreciated, welcome and encouraged.
3. All participants must sign a waiver and emergency contact form at registration. Participants under 18 years of age must have their form signed by a parent or legal guardian.
4. Vessels with three adults will be allowed in the race but will not be eligible for medals.
5. Canadian Government Regulations require the following in every canoe or kayak:
 - Appropriately sized, Canadian approved Personal Flotation Device (PFD) for each person in the craft. We recommend that all participants wear a PFD.
 - Sound signaling device (pealess whistle)
 - 15m (50') of buoyant rope
 - Manual bailer
 - An extra paddle and/or paddle leash is recommended

6. Competitor numbers are self-adhesive. Participants should stick one number on the front right and one number on the back left of their vessel.
7. All participants must be at, or past, Robinglade Park by noon or they will be asked to withdraw from race by race officials.
8. No other watercraft will be allowed to participate in the race after the sweep canoe(s) leave the start line.
9. To ensure your safety, competitors withdrawing from the race must advise a checkpoint operator or call Race Headquarters at 905-261-6460. **Note:** Canoe the Nonquon Safety Boats will **NOT** be on the lake after 2:00 pm. After 2:00 p.m., proceed to shore and withdraw from the race.
10. The rules of good sportsmanship prevail. Unsportsmanlike conduct may result in disqualification. Decisions made by the Race Committee are final.

LAST YEAR'S TOTALS (2025)

Total # of participants: 163

Total # of vessels: 105

Total # of canoes: 57

Total # of kayaks: 48

Total \$ raised: \$11 256.38

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All funds raised from registration and sponsorship goes to the Museum!



ALL ABOUT OMCKRA

OMCKRA sanctions many races and has been a long-time supporter of Canoe the Nonquon, naming us “Race of the Year” in 2009! OMCKRA provides insurance to sanctioned races that you enjoy, such as Canoe the Nonquon. Members receive a discount on race registration fees, training and coaching events. The organization’s mandate is to develop, promote and represent distance canoe and kayak racing as a sport in Ontario by:

- advising race organizers and competitors
- sanctioning races and monitoring safety policies
- promoting safety in canoeing and kayaking
- encouraging recreational and competitive marathon paddling at provincial, national and international levels



OMCKRA members receive an \$8 discount to the entrance fee with proof of membership (because OMCKRA members’ insurance fee is covered by their membership). However, it is greatly appreciated if members choose to donate their discount back to the Museum.

ENTRY INFORMATION

Registration Fee is \$65 per watercraft or pledges equal to or greater than \$65 (OMCKRA members receive a \$8 discount).

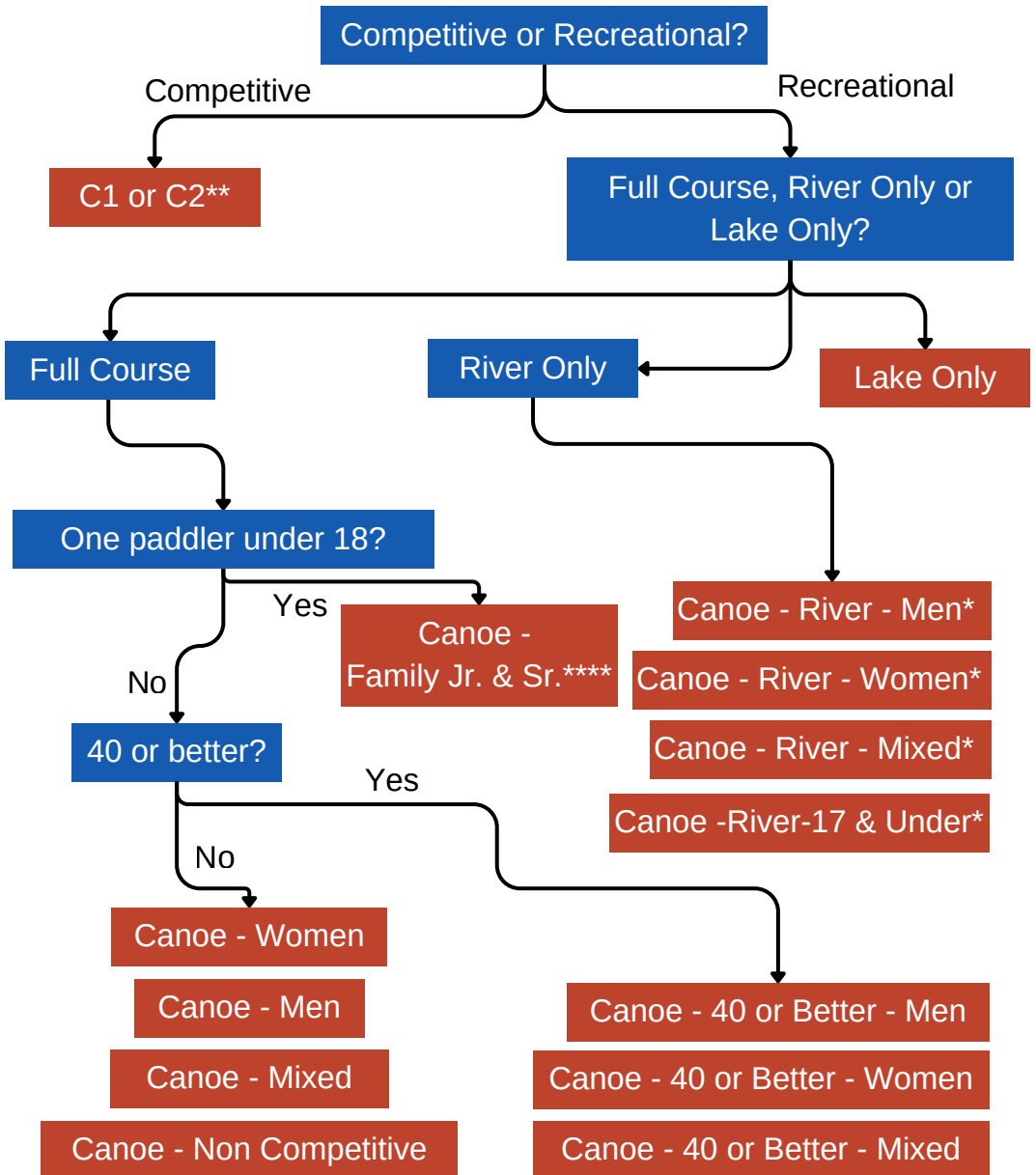
Participants are encouraged to seek pledges from friends and family. All money raised benefits the Scugog Shores Museum Village and Archives.

Next year’s event will be on **Saturday, June 5, 2027.**

ENTRY INFORMATION

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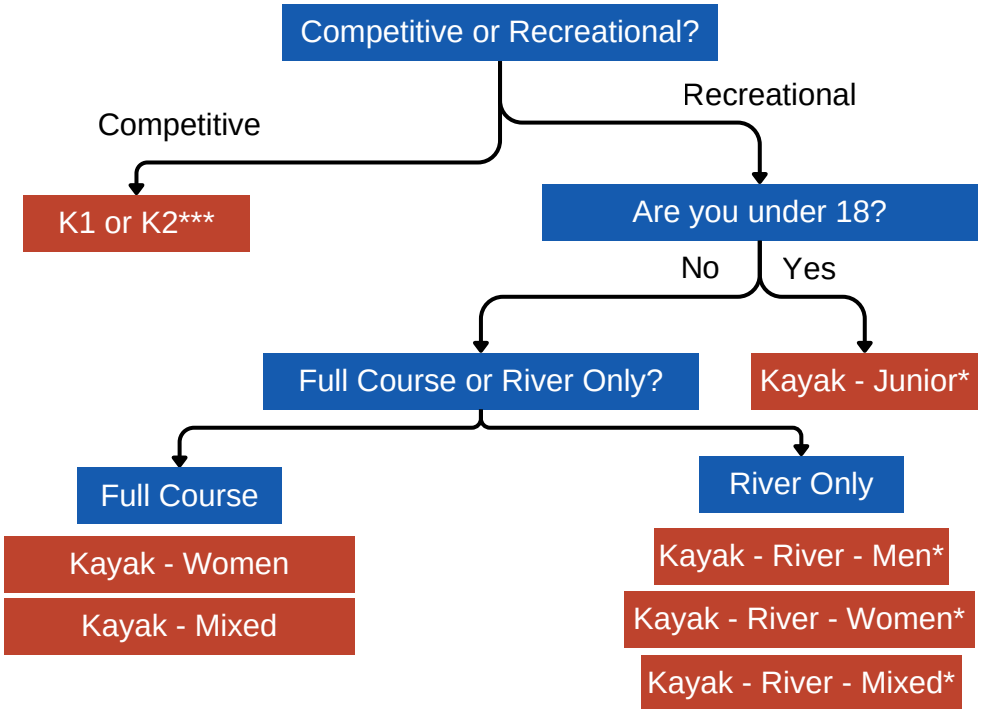
CANOE



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KAYAK



SUP

SUP - Full Course

SUP - River Only

*River only finishes at Robinglade in Seagrave.

** 18' 6" canoes must compete in either C1 or C2 classes.

*** Competitive kayaks, length not greater than 4.5 m, width not less than 60 cm, no steering devices.

**** Family Jr. & Sr. refers to two related paddlers in a canoe with one being 17 years of age or younger. Big Brothers and Big Sisters organization members qualify for Family Jr. & Sr.

SCUGOG SHORES MUSEUM VILLAGE

Step back in time when you walk through the gate and enter the museum's historic village. The village depicts daily life in Scugog from the mid 1800s to mid 1900s.

Take time to stroll through the log cabin and the Lee House, homes of some of Scugog's early settlers. Other buildings in the village include a Blacksmith Shop, Woodwright's Shop, Print Shop, Harness Shop, Beef Ring, Church, Drive Shed, and two barns. Heritage flower gardens planted throughout the village blossom spring through fall. A beautiful herb garden and vegetable garden are planted with historical varieties of plants and vegetables.

The Museum Village is open to the public

May 20 to September 6, 2026

Wednesday to Sunday

10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Admission

Adults \$5.50

Seniors \$4.50

Students \$4.50

Children 5-12 \$2.00

Children 4 and under are free

The Museum Village is located at 16210
Island Road, Port Perry, Ontario.



2026 MUSEUM EVENTS

Visit www.scugog.ca/museum to learn more!

Rambler Rama Car Show

Saturday, June 20 from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Canada Day in Palmer Park

Wednesday, July 1. Museum activities from 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm

Stained Glass Painting Workshop

Saturday, July 11 & Sunday, July 12 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm

Book Binding Workshop

Saturday, August 16 & Sunday, August 17 from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm

Scugog Heritage Day - Craft the Past

Sunday, August 23 from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm

Museum After Dark

Saturday, September 26 from 6:00 pm to 11:00 pm

Booseum Event

Saturday, October 24 from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

Lake Scugog Historical Society's Antique & Nostalgia Show & Sale

Saturday, October 17 & Sunday, October 18 from 10 am to 4 pm

Scugog Community Recreation Centre | Admission \$5

All proceeds support the LSHS and Scugog Shores Museum.

JUNE IS RECREATION AND PARKS MONTH

Each June, municipalities across Ontario celebrate June is Recreation and Parks Month (JRPM) to promote the benefits of being active while also recognizing the many contributions that recreation and parks make to our quality of life. Our Recreation team have partnered with local community groups, Durham Region, and surrounding Durham Region municipalities to offer a variety of FREE activities throughout June for everyone to enjoy. By participating in the activities and completing your JRPM Passport, you'll have a chance to win a free bike!

View a full calendar of activities and download your passport at www.scugog.ca/recreation

Learn to Play Pickleball*

June 4 from 9:00 am to 11:00 am (Scugog Community Centre)

Try Tennis

June 6 from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm (Port Perry Tennis Courts)

Park and Play Games

June 13 from 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm (Palmer Park)

Free Public Swim

June 15 from 6:10 pm to 8:00 pm (Birdseye Pool)

Bootcamp Class*

June 18 from 5:45 pm to 6:45 pm (Scugog Community Centre)



**pre-registration required at scugog.ca/registration*

NONQUON WILDLIFE

The Nonquon Provincial Wildlife Area is 2,800 acres of publicly owned property located three kilometres north of Port Perry and managed by the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources.

The Nonquon River flows through the property for 16.5 kilometres and empties into Lake Scugog after leaving the provincial wildlife area.

The area hosts a wide variety of flora and fauna and many species of songbirds and shorebirds nest and feed along the river and marsh areas. The drier upland forest supports populations of white-tailed deer, snowshoe hare, ruffed grouse and wild turkey.



CANOE THE NONQUON RACE HISTORY - SINCE 1969!

Canoe the Nonquon was started by the Lake Scugog Historical Society (LSHS) in 1969 to support the Scugog Shores Historical Museum. LSHS founded the Museum and operated it up to 2005 when operations were taken over by the Township of Scugog.

This annual paddle race still supports the Scugog Shores Museum Village and Archives as it's largest fundraiser!

Both the Scugog Shores Museum Village and Archives and the Lake Scugog Historical Society still operate today to promote and preserve the history of the Scugog area.

2026 HEADLINES

Thank you once again to **Brock's Department Store!** Claudette and Bill Brock and the Lake Scugog Historical Society created the race in 1969 to raise funds for the Museum. His daughters Julie and Marina continue his legacy today by being our Award Sponsor.

Thank you Durham Tourism for being our Experience Sponsor, helping us ensure we have everything we need to make an enjoyable experience for all paddlers!

Thank you Tudor Pines Bed and Breakfast for being our safety sponsor this year, helping us ensure we have everything we need for a fun and safe race for all.

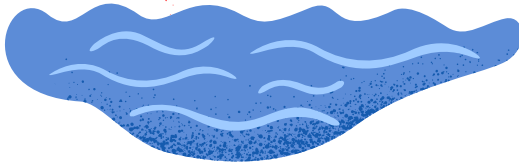
Thank you Vos' Independent for being our BBQ sponsor this year, helping ensure our volunteers have all the supplies to provide a mouth-watering BBQ for the paddlers.

CELEBRATE



Canada Day

IN SCUGOG!



Parade
Opening Ceremonies
Kids Zone
Live Entertainment
Food & Artisan Vendors
FIREWORKS AT 10PM!



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OVERVIEW OF ROUTE



HEADQUARTERS: 905-261-6460

TIP: "Right is Right"

If you come to a "V", stay to the right