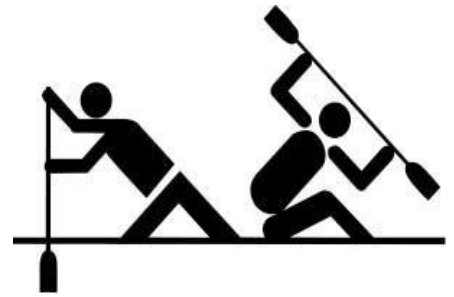


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Team Canada will arrive home from the World Games in Taiwan just in time for the River City Dragon Boat Festival.

Manitoba athletes will attend to cheer and support the competitors and will be available to media to talk about their experience in Taiwan. Please call if you'd like to schedule an interview.

Celebrating its seventh year, the 2009 River City Dragon Boat Festival will also feature dragon boat racing, amazing entertainment, free children's activities and more.

This year the Manitoba Paddling Association has proudly partnered with FortWhyte Alive. This means the 50+ teams registered for the festival are not only training for the competition but also raising funds for environmental education.

The Annual River City Dragon Boat Festival celebrations will be held at Manitoba Water Ski Park located on 365 Murdock Road. The Festival will start at 6:00pm on Friday, July 24, 2009 and will run all weekend until Sunday, July 26, 2009 at 5:00pm

The River City Dragon Boat Festival is unique in that athletes come together to motivate each other in physical activity. Dragon Boat is a great sport to get people of every fitness level moving.

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