

Yukon Orienteering Association Head Coach

Are you looking for a career in coaching? The YOA is hiring a full-time head coach. The YOA is excited to move to the next level of providing paid coaching to its members and the public. Despite previous lack of funded coaching, YOA volunteers have established a number of initiatives, including an annual elementary school event and a dynamic junior training program that has been operating over the last 4 years. YOA members have represented Canada at World Championships, World Cups, Junior World Championships, and World Masters Championships. Yukon terrain and maps are second-to-none.

The YOA Head Coach will develop and manage training programs for all levels of orienteers (novice recreational participants to elite National Team members). A list of duties is provided in the Job Description section. The Head Coach will report to and work with the YOA Executive to establish a comprehensive coaching program.

The ideal candidate will be enthusiastic and well organized, with excellent communication and interpersonal skills. The successful candidate must be able to work in Canada (i.e., citizen or permanent resident). National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP) Level 3 coaches are preferred. The successful candidate must be willing to acquire Level 3 certification.

This coaching opportunity is a full-time term position until May 31, 2008. The YOA anticipates extending the position to long-term status based on discussions with our funding sources. The wage is \$25/hour. Additional funding may be accessible once the position has been filled. Mapping work may also be available.

Interested applicants should submit a resume and cover letter to the YOA by email at brent.langbakk@gmail.com. For more information, please call Brent at (867) 668-7767.

The deadline for application is November 30, 2007.

Job Description Duties:

1. Elite Program

- A) develop and training plans and give continuous feedback to elite junior and senior athletes
- B) provide year-round regularly scheduled physical and technical training sessions for elite athletes including
 - a) plan and organize sessions
 - b) provide hands on coaching

2. Junior Program

- A) develop exercises and training sessions for YOA Junior Summer Program (4 groups divided according to age and ability)
- B) Coordinate and plan including promotion, volunteers, scheduling
- C) mentor and assist other (volunteer) YOA coaches

3. Community Development

- A) provide complete the necessary groundwork (mapping, delivery of workshops, training of local coaches) to help establish orienteering in Haines Junction and Carmacks
- B) promote orienteering to school and interest groups
- C) deliver workshops and activities to schools and interest groups

4. Coaching Development

- A) Act as Evaluator to encourage and monitor up to four volunteer coaches in completing their "Practical" components of the NCCP
- B) Ability to deliver "Technical" component of NCCP preferred
- C) Prepare (that is, write or arrange appropriate speakers) a series lectures on a variety of specific technical topics for YOA's volunteer coaches