

Susan Kitchen

Susan is the Executive Director of the Coaches Association of Ontario. She led the organization through its formative years to become a credible, multi-sport organization that serves the coaching community and enjoys the confidence of three levels of government partners.

Susan has served as Vice-Chair of the Board of Directors for the Coaching Association of Canada (2008-2013). She was appointed to an advisory committee for the Ontario Government Sport Plan, by the Ontario Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport, as a result of various administrative roles in the Sport and Recreation sector.

Professionally speaking, Susan has held a number of positions at the City of Toronto, in the Management Consulting Division serving frontline Departments in area of effective organization design, managing a team of client service specialists, and network administration in the IT Department. Susan also worked as a Sport Consultant at the Ontario Ministry of Tourism and Recreation on provincial funding and program development.

Susan has remained active in the sport of rowing for 30 years. In addition to competing in Europe, Australia and the U.S., Susan is a long-serving volunteer in Canadian Rowing. She is an NCCP Trained Coach, in able-bodied and Para, a certified RCA Umpire, and national event organizer. Susan has been recognized for her volunteerism and made a number of visits to the podium in Masters rowing. A unique achievement, she was Captain of the first all-women ice canoe team, the first female team to successfully complete the race across the St. Lawrence River in Quebec City in February during the Quebec Winter Carnival.

Susan has a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Queens University in Sociology, with a focus on the Quality of Working Life.

Susan lives in Toronto, enjoys rowing on Lake Ontario or at the cottage in Muskoka.