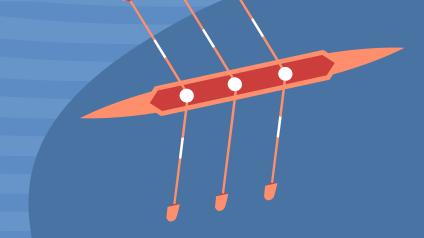


Welcome to West Po Crew Winter 2024 Membership Meeting!

January 20, 2024

AGENDA

- Welcome, President Transition Cathy Rastovski
- Registration/Uniforms Christy Butler
- Financial Update Roger Crombie or Brittany McMaster
- Coach Introductions -All coaches
- Pre-season & Season Schedules Coach Grace
- Operations Support Amos Peterson
- Fundraising Support Brittany McMaster
- Regatta Support Jim Papa, Cathy, Lori Collins
- Social Events- Jenni Williams
- Athlete Do's and Don'ts Team President & Captains
- Wrap-up and Q & A Coach Grace, All



Former President

Nancy Fondriest – through the end of January

Interim President

Cathy Rastovski – January through the end of the season while still continuing in hospitality lead role

REGISTRATION

Registered Athletes:

- iCrew
- West Po Athletics
- Paid 1st installment of Dues

<u>Next Steps:</u>

- Parents register in iCrew also
- 2nd Dues Payment due February 1
- Uniform & Spiritwear Orders January 22
- SafeSport Training

wpcrew.org - Parents: Registration & Fees for links and details!

QUESTIONS? See Christy after the meeting!

Financials - January Update

Our budget is substantial ... \$148,000 in revenue and expenses.

The cost per athlete is = \$1,581 (minus Stotesbury). Dues of \$875 + Fundraising Target of \$250 = \$1,125/Rower; 71% of costs.

FUNDRAISERS make up the difference. We are ON TRACK so far!

Restaurant Night: \$1,000 (1/3 of \$3,000 budget for 3 events) Wreath Sales: \$7,423 in Net Revenue (exceeded our goal of \$7,142)

Ergathon Fundraising is critical for the Capital Investment Fund which ensures long-term viability of the club!

**2.5% Credit Card Processing Fee added for iCrew fee items



INTRODUCTIONS

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
|---|--|---|---|--|--|---|
| 4 New Parent Social, 4 – 6 pm, Collin's home | 5 | 6 | 7 Concussion Baseline | FEBRUARY 1 \$575 PAYMENT DUE 8 Restaurant Night 2 | 2 9 Last Day of Winter Conditioning | 3 10 ACT TEST OPS Dav |
| 11 Super Bowl OPS Day (backup) | 12 Swim Test 8-9pm | 13 Safety, orientation, concussion training | 14 Safety, orientation, concussion training + Concussion Baseline | 15 Swim Test 3:30- 4:30 pm | 16 Ergathon 4 – 6 pm (\$250 due) | 17 VASRA Work Day #1 OPS Day (backup) |
| 18 | FEBRUARY 19 Student Holiday FIRST DAY PRACTICE | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 VASRA Work Day #2 |
| 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | MARCH 1 | 2 VASRA Work Day #3 |
| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 TAG DAY SAT, 1* ONLINE |
| 10 | 11 | 12 YEARBOOK PICTURE DAY | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 Regional Park (TBD, experienced only) |
| 24 | 25 Spring Break Training Team Photos | 26 Spring Break Training | 27 Spring Break Training Spring Break Lunch | 28 Spring Break Training | 29 Spring Break Training Pasta Party | 30 Walter Mess |
| 31 Easter | APRIL 1 Student Holiday West Po Rock Painting | 2 Student Holiday | 3 | 4 | 5 Pasta Party | 6 Darrell Winslow |
| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 Student Holiday | 11 <u>Restaurant Night 3</u> | 12 No pasta party, early departure | 13 James River Sprints (Richmond) ACT (also June 8) |
| 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 Pasta Party | 20 Ryz Obuchowicz Junior / Senior PROM |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 Pasta Party | 27 Charlie Butt (Georgetown) |
| 28 | 29 | 30 | MAY 1 | 2 | 3 Student Holiday Pasta Party | 4 CHAMPS DAY 1 SAT (also June 1) |
| 5 | 6 AP Exam Week 1 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 Pasta Party | 11 CHAMPS DAY 2 |
| 12 | 13 AP Exam Week 2 | 14 | 15 | 16 Stotesbury (exp only) | 17 Stotesbury Philadelphia, PA | 18 Stotesbury |
| 19 Seniors submit pictures for posters | 20 Ops Day – Athletes/Coaches | 21 | 22 | 23) | 24 | 25 OPS Day 9am -12 pm |
| 26 OPS Day (backup) | 27 Student Holiday | 28 Picnic 5-8pm, Ft. Hunt Park | 29 | 30 | 31 | |

PRE-SEASON REQUIREMENTS

SWIM TEST - NEW ATHLETES

- Monday February 12, 8-9 PM OR Thursday February 15 3:30-4:30 PM
- George Washington RECenter Pool, 8426 Old Mt. Vernon Rd. Alexandria All new rowers (100 yd. swim, 2 min. tread water)

Rower Safety Orientation

February 13th & 14th - 3:30- 5:00 pm (Room 633)

Concussion Baseline Test (Athletic Training Dept.)

February 7th & 14th - 5:00 - 6:15 pm (Room 633) •

Coxswain Interest Meeting

January 31st - 5:15-6:15 pm in the Cafeteria

<u>USRowing Membership and 2024 Waiver</u>

- Electronically signed and submitted
- Basic Membership \$20/\$25 paid by our team

Safe Sport Training Required:

- ALL ROWERS AGE 18 or older
- Parent volunteers involved directly with rowers in club capacity, including Board Members and chaperones

PRACTICE SITE UPDATE

- National Harbor for 2024 Season
- Continuing to pursue Fort Belvoir for 2025
- Sandy Run for Spring Break

PRACTICE SCHEDULE

First Day of Practice (National Harbor): <u>Monday, February 19</u> (School holiday)

<u>Girls Team</u>:

- Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 3:45-5:45 pm (*practice end time extends to 6:15 pm starting March 11th*)
- OYO practice on Thursday

<u>Boys Team:</u>

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday - 4:15 - 6:15 pm (*practice end time extends to 6:45 pm March 11th*)

• OYO practice on Wednesday

<u>Everyone:</u>

• February 24th, March 2, 9, 16, 23 - (Saturday practices: 9:00 - 11:30 am)

OYO - On Your Own workouts - This does not apply to Novices

Spring Break Schedule

March 25 – 29 Sandy Run Regional Park

ALL Athletes

Monday - Friday: Four hours each morning Tentatively scheduled 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Please do not schedule medical appointments or other activities during these times!

Inclement Weather and No Row Days

Average 50% of practice days are too windy to row

On these days:

- Practices may still be held at National Harbor (Fitness) with possible early dismissal
- Practices may be moved to the school
- Practice may be cancelled
- We try to make the call by 12 noon

The team will send a text and email for any schedule changes.

You must have an iCrew account to receive communications (not just Emergency Contact).

2024 Regattas

All Competitions are on Saturdays:

- Regional Park, Sandy Run, March 23
- Walter Mess, Sandy Run RP March 30
- Darrell Winslow, Sandy Run RP April 6
- James River, Richmond April 13 (optional Athlete BUS)
- Ryz Obuchowicz, Sandy Run RP April 20
- Charlie Butt, Georgetown April 27
- VSRC Day 1, May 4 (3rd boats and Novice)
 - VSRC Day 2, May 11 (1st and 2nd boats)
- Stotesbury *(Select Varsity),* Philadelphia May 16-18

OPERATIONS SUPPORT

SITE SET-UP:

- National Harbor (NH)
- Saturday, February 10
- Meet @ West Potomac HS, 8:00 am
- 40 Volunteers (parents and athletes)
- Need 3 or 4 pick-up trucks (Amos will tow the small trailer)
- Loading a moving truck and other vehicles
- Motors, launches, boat racks, rowing gear

VOLUNTEER POSITIONS:

Shell & Launch/Motor - Nate Rollins Fuel Workout equipment

ERGATHON

- Friday, February 16, 4-6 pm
- Athlete fundraising goal \$250
- Corporate Sponsors too!

TAG DAY

- Saturday, March 9
- West Potomac pickup and drop-off packets
- Drivers will be needed

Restaurant Nights

Feb. 8 and April 11

Regatta Support

• VASRA SHIFTS (1 per family)

HOSPITALITY SHIFTS (1 per family).
E.g., tent shift, picnic shift, or pasta party host.

PASTA PARTIES - Need food too!

STOTESBURY CUP REGATTA. Chaperones, Hospitality Tent

ALL signups will be on our website, so you'll never have to search emails and texts to find them!

SOCIAL EVENTS

<u>NEW PARENT SOCIAL</u>:

- Sunday, February 4
- 4-6 pm
- Lori Collin's Home

SPRING BREAK LUNCHEON:

- Wednesday, March 27
- Sandy Run

• END OF SEASON PICNIC:

- Tuesday, May 28
- 5-8 pm
- Fort Hunt Park

ATHLETE:

DO'S AND DON'TS

Wow, Rowing is a complicated sport.

So why are we doing this?
Teamwork
Challenge
Friendships
Leadership
Fitness
Discipline
College & Lifetime Sport

Good Rowers, Great People.

Questions?