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**The 2012 Portland Fall Classic
5000 meters Willamette River
Portland Oregon
October 28, 2012**

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NEW—find all of the below information on the new Portland Fall Classic website, www.portlandfallclassic.com

Distance: 5000 meters, 2800 meters for junior novice 4+'s and novice 8+'s.

Location: Downtown Portland's Eastbank Esplanade, launching from the Portland Boathouse at 1515 SE Water St. It's at the east end of the Hawthorne Bridge.

Entry Deadline and Fees: Entries will be processed via RegattaCentral.com. The entry deadline is October 19 at midnight. Entry fees are \$90/eight, \$50/four/quad and \$30 for pair/doubles.

Race Categories: 5000 meter racing in 8+, 4+, 4x, 2x, and 2-. for College/Open, Masters and Juniors [pairs are open/college only]. We also feature a 2800 meter shortened course for junior novice 8+'s and 4+'s. A full event list and schedule is on RegattaCentral

Schedule: There will be three flights for this race, at 8:30am, 10:45am and 1:30pm. Boats and coxswains may be used in each flight. **Rowers may only race once, excepting rowers in the college pairs and fours.** Boats will start at 15 second intervals. An updated schedule will be posted on RegattaCentral after the entry window closes, showing precise race times.

Race Course: The course runs north along the Willamette River in downtown Portland. A bike path runs along the entire course. There is an S turn in the first 1000 meters. Crews will pass under five bridges during the race. The final 500 meters is alongside a floating platform, where spectators will be standing 25 feet from the crews. A course map, rules, tips and a guided tour of the course with photos of bridges will be posted on RegattaCentral prior to the race. Coxes are encouraged to review this information. A video tour of the course will be posted on YouTube. Find the link on our RegattaCentral page.

Launching: Launching and landing will be from the Portland Boathouse dock. Boat will be launched by bow #. Regatta officials will clear groups of boats for launching by loudspeaker. Crews may not approach the launch area until their bow number has been called. Once your numbers has been called you must proceed immediately to the launching area, or risk being late to the start. It is a 40 minute row to the start line. Crews launching from other sites in Portland should advise the race committee.

Packet Pickup: Pick up your packet and bow number starting at 6:00am on the day of the race at Portland Boathouse. Please be sure all USRowing waivers have been accounted for before you pick up your packets.

Awards: Medals to all first, second and third place finishers.

Vendors and Shirts: Regatta T shirts will be available. There will be two coffee carts at the race site, including breakfast fare. See our RegattaCentral page for updates on vendors.

NEW Team Tents: For 2012, we have moved the team tent location to the north side of the Hawthorne Bridge, near the team bus and car parking areas. Parking lots have been reserved for team tents. If you are using propane fueled appliances in or near your tent, you need a \$25 permit from the Portland Fire Bureau. Apply at this link <http://www.portlandoregon.gov/fire/article/224270>

No team tents may be placed along the river south of the launching dock, as has been done in past year.

Pre-Race Meeting: 6:45am on race day at Portland Boathouse, 1515 SE Water Ave. Course map, rules and tips are all posted on Regatta Central. Coxes should review the race course tour document on RegattaCentral prior to attending the meeting.

Parking: Trailer parking is available at the PCC CLIMB parking lot opposite the Portland Boathouse beginning at 4pm Saturday afternoon October 28. EARLY trailer parking WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE, so don't show up early. Trailer drivers should contact Nick Haley (cell 503-799-9440) at least an hour in advance of their arrival time. Trailers may arrive anytime between 4:00 and 7:00pm on Saturday, and before 7:00 am on Sunday. Space is limited, so trailer drivers are asked to follow parking instructions when they arrive on site to maximize capacity. Please inform race organizers if you are bringing a trailer to the Portland Boathouse site.

Parking will not be available in the Portland Boathouse parking lot on Saturday afternoon. Any teams who have athletes meeting at the boathouse on Saturday afternoon should notify drivers that they must park on the street. There is ample street parking for participants within a few blocks of the Portland Boathouse.

Team buses will be directed to a designated parking lot on SE Water Ave., just north of the boathouse. A pay lot for cars is also located on SE Water Avenue, 2 blocks north of the Hawthorne Bridge. Parking is not allowed in any parking lot in the neighborhood unless specifically marked for "Regatta Parking." Check our RegattaCentral page for more specific parking information closer to race day.

USRowing Information: The Portland Fall Classic is a *USRowing* registered regatta. *USRowing* Rules of Rowing will apply and *USRowing* officials will officiate.

USRowing waivers: *USRowing* individual members with electronic waivers on file do not need to sign a waiver. Non-*USRowing* individual members may race, but they must be a member of a *USRowing* member organization and should complete an electronic waiver through RegattaCentral or a paper waiver to be turned in on race morning.

Juniors: All high school rowers are limited to the "junior" category, to avoid violations of NCAA regulations.

Colleges: All college/university boats should be entered in “Open” or “College” categories.

Definitions:

Master—all rowers 21 or older, excluding coxswains. Boats must average 27.

Mixed—50% men and 50% women, excepting coxswains

Open—no junior rowers, as per NCAA rules.

Junior—all rowers still in high school.

Novice—new to rowing as of June 2012.

Coxswains—there is no official weigh in for this regatta.

Race Course Information: Look for updated course maps on RegattaCentral. Course is the same as 2007-2010, but the current construction of a new bridge adds a 6th bridge to the course. See RegattaCentral and the Portland Fall Classic website for details.

Contacts:

Check our RegattaCentral page and the Portland Fall Classic website for updates and news about the race. If you can't find answers there, email the individuals below

For questions about entries, schedule, course, email Peter Edwards at pdxpje@comcast.net

Trailer parking and trailer drivers, contact Nick Haley at 503-799-9440

For vendor information, contact Penny Luong at penny.luong@comcast.net

Entry Fees: Eights \$90, Fours \$50, Pairs \$30, Doubles \$30. Pay via Regatta Central.

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