



Jefferson Wisconsin



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**JEFFERSON  
COUNTY  
ROWING CLUB, INC.**

**JEFFERSON, WI**

Venue:

**ROCK RIVER LANDING PARK**

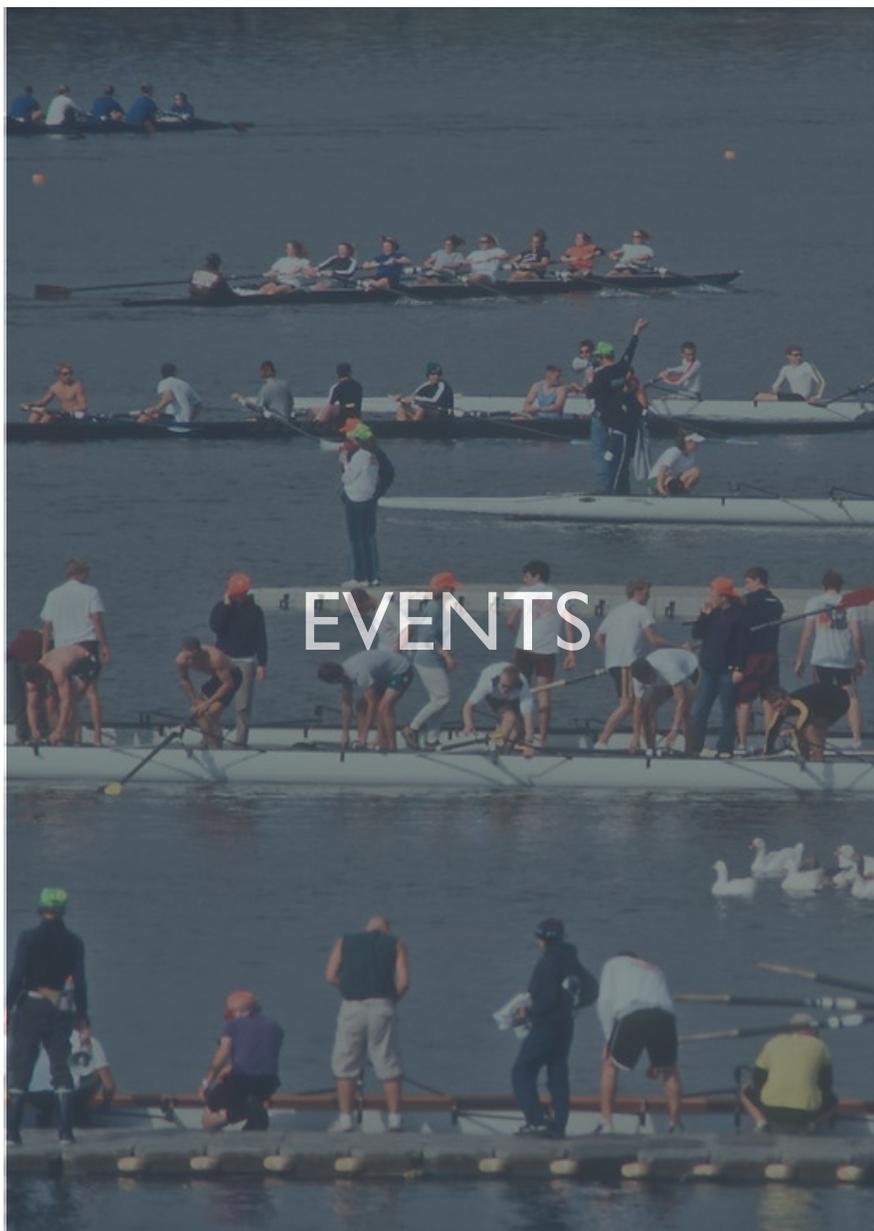
**JEFFERSON, WISCONSIN**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2022**

## PRIMARY FEATURES

- Early season regatta to get Midwest crews ready for fall head racing
- Venue has +95% protected water for high probability of racing
- Great start of the season head race distance of 3k
- Simple, single price per athlete for unlimited races
- Regatta event schedule optimized to:
  - Allow teams to arrive in the morning and return in late afternoon
  - Rowers can get at least three races in
- Spectator viewing on finish line bridge for final 20% of race
- Spectators can drive to upstream start line on Glacial Drumlin Trail pedestrian bridge
- Create a safe rowing venue that allows officials and safety personnel to work effectively
- Large parking area for spectators and quick/easy IN & OUT for trailers
- Located within walking distance of downtown Jefferson, WI for food and drinks





## Gender Classifications

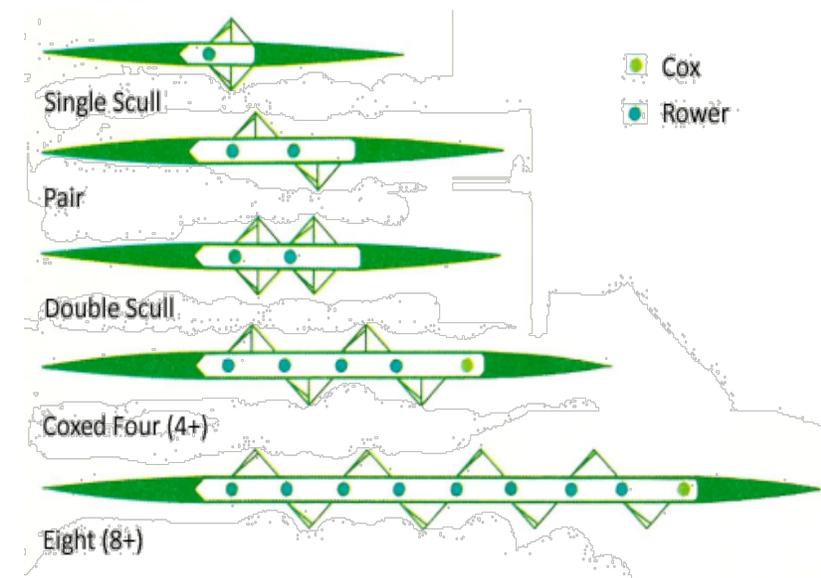
- Female Only, Male Only and Mixed (50/50)

## Age/Skill Classifications

- Juniors- Under age 19
- Open- Typically attending a College (but open to all)
- Masters- age 21 or older (using USRowing handicap will be used)
- NOVICE- Rowing for 12 months or less

## Boat Classifications

- 1X Single
- 2X Double
- 2- Pair
- 4X Quad
- 4+ Four with Coxswain
- 8+ Eight with Coxswain





## Awards will be Pins

The move to pins from typical medals with ribbons allows rowers to display the pins easily.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Place Medals (pins)

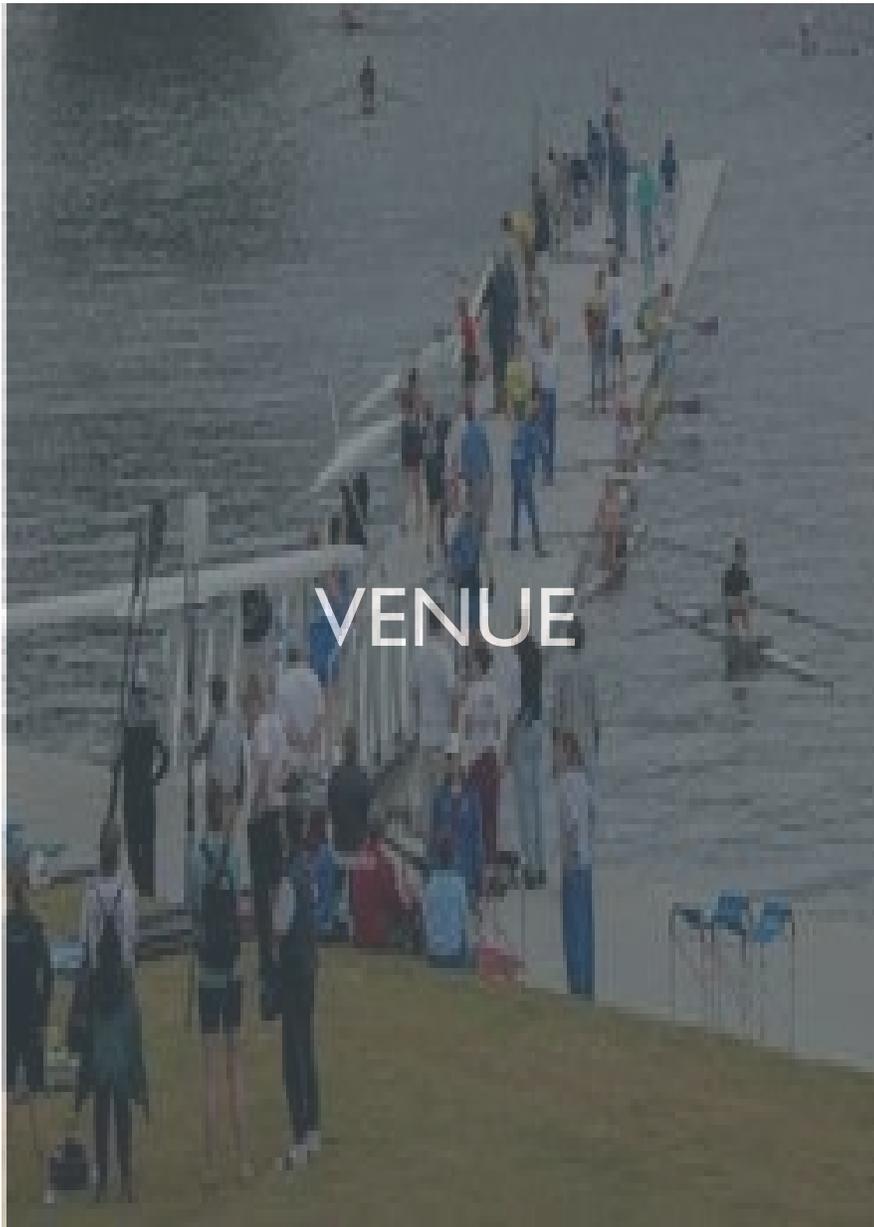
In each of the Gender, Age and Boat class events the winner will be awarded a Gold Pin. There will be no pins awarded for other places.

There will be a pin awarded if there is only a single competitor for an event.

## Special Recognition

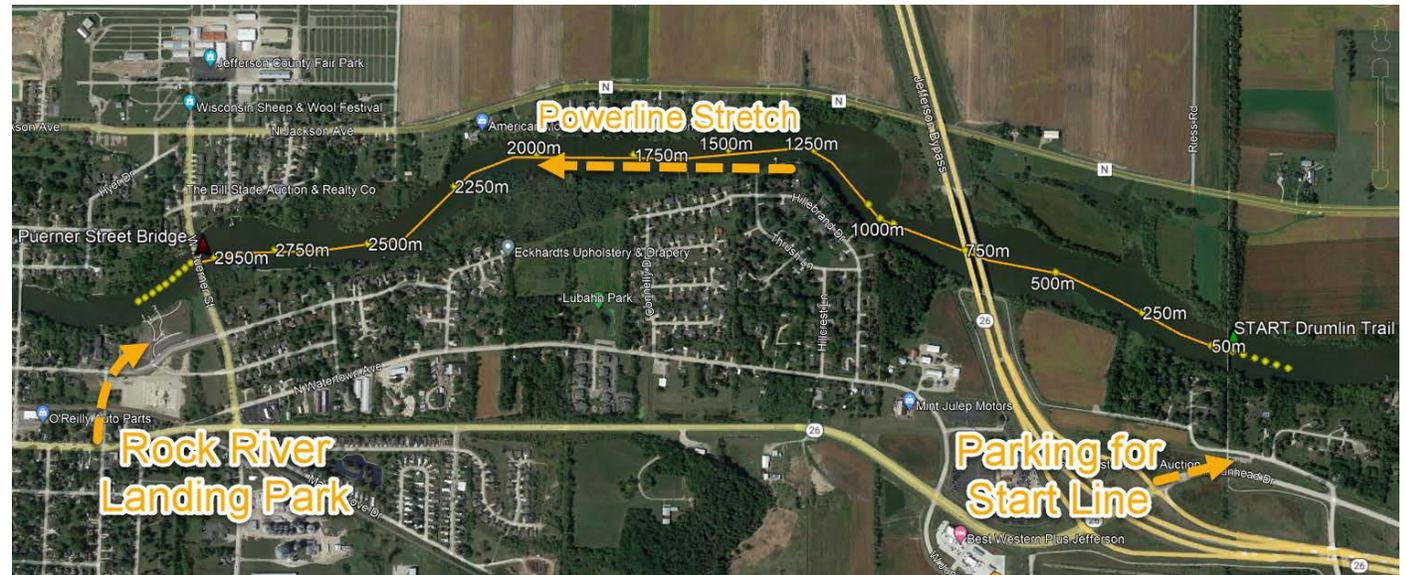
- Optional: The top junior and college team points winners will receive a trophy if we can obtain sponsors.

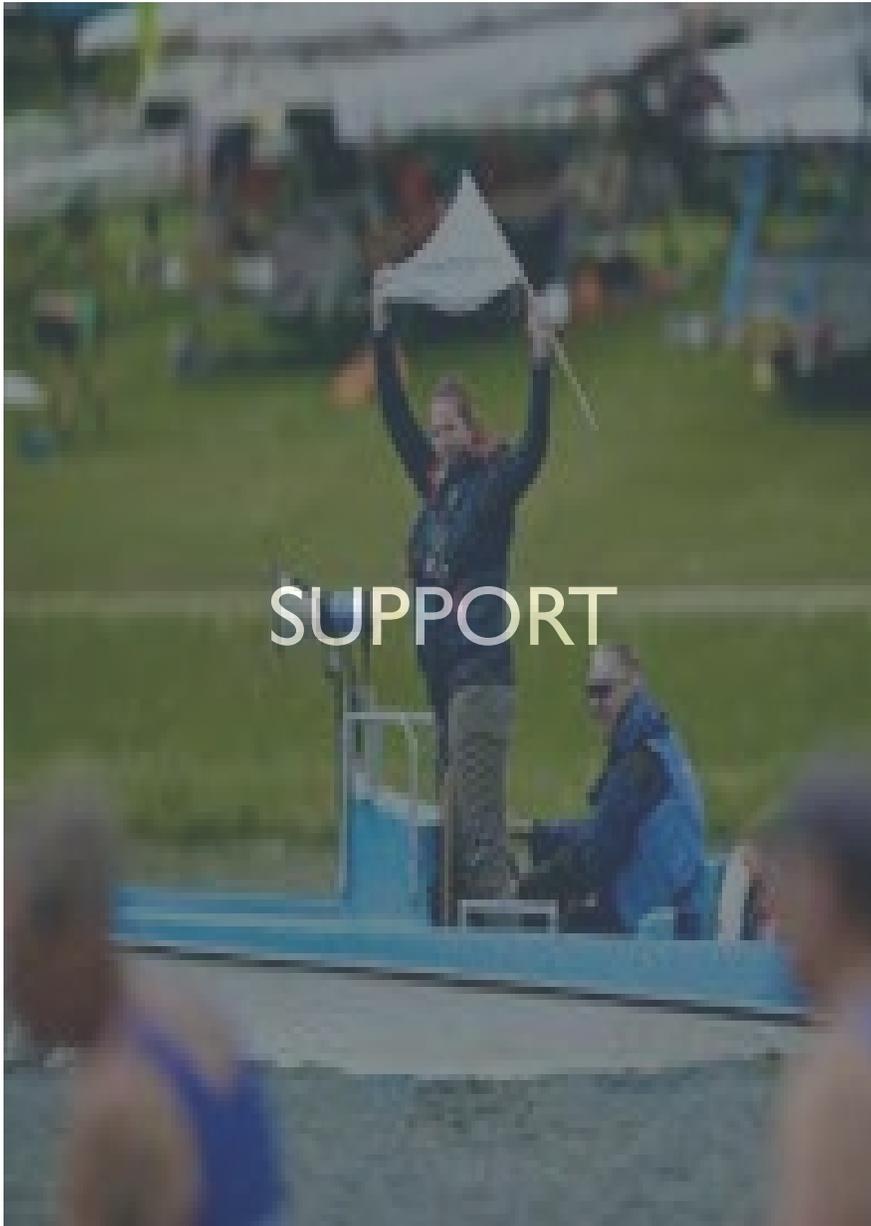




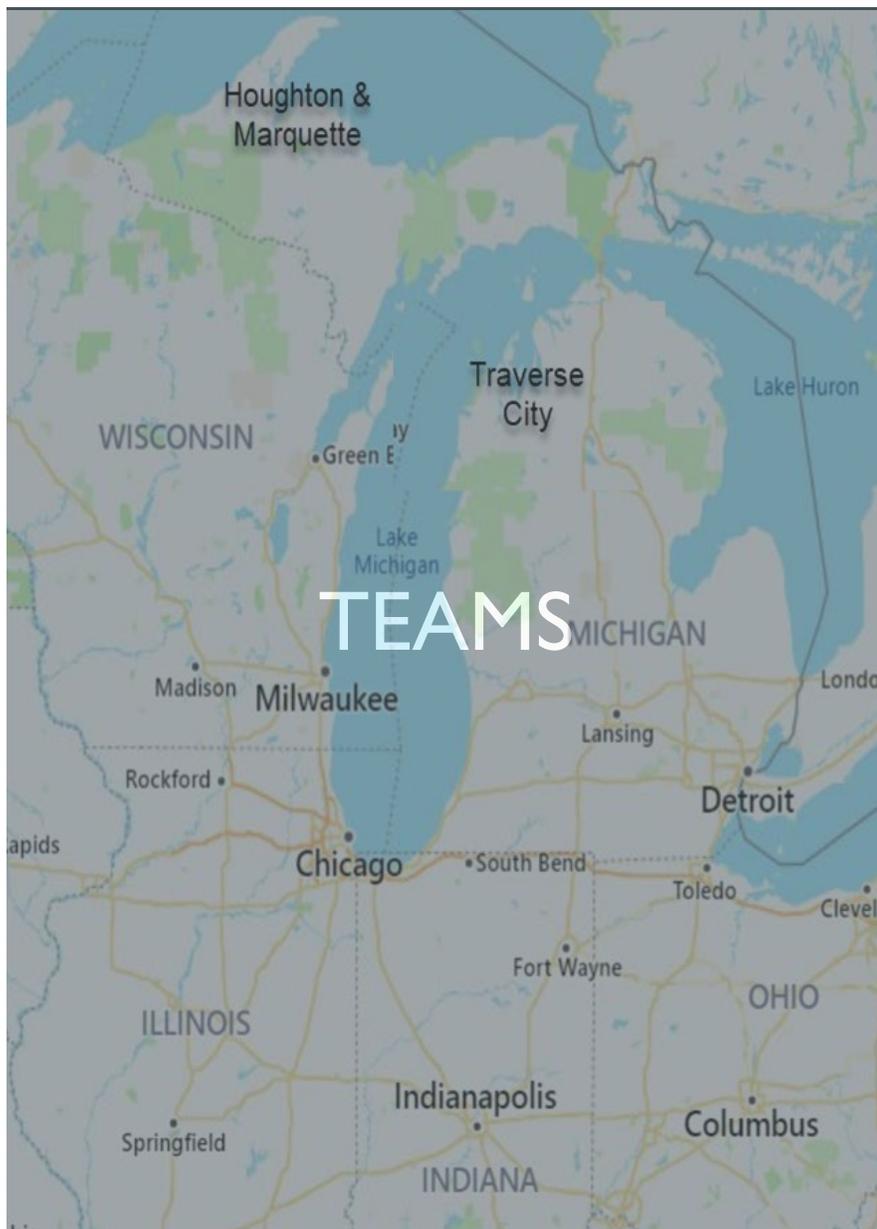
## Venue- Rock River Landing Park (opened 2021)

- 3km of safe water – maximum depth is approximately 10 feet; slow river current and river width is easy to transit.
- Large Launch and Recovery dock area to maximize throughput
  - Less than 20 minutes from Launch dock to Start Line
  - 2 minutes from Finish Line to Recovery dock





- USROWING registered Regatta- Officials and insurance through the organization
  - Full liability for all organizations
    - City of Jefferson
    - LBVRC
  - USRowing officials- (Head Referee, Start/Finish Line)
- Crewtimer.com used for all timing- Free, accurate and robust timing system.
  - Provides online immediate results
- Host Club (Jefferson County Rowing Club)- Provides all buoys, launches, docks, etc. needed to operate the regatta
- Volunteers needed:
  - Safety launch drivers and timing
  - Food table, tee-shirts and parking



## Hopeful Teams Attending

- Wisconsin- Mendota, Camp Randall, La Baie Verte, Lawrence, St Norbert, Milwaukee, MSOE & Marquette
- Illinois- Lincoln Park, Chicago Rowing Federation, New Trier, Rockford
- Minnesota- St Croix, Minneapolis Rowing Club, Long Lake and others
- Michigan- Michigan Tech University, Northern Michigan, Upper Peninsula Rowing and others
- Iowa- Des Moines

## Cities within 250 Mile Radius

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|-----|----------------|-----|------------------|
| 30  | Madison, WI    | 158 | South Bend, IN   |
| 46  | Milwaukee, WI  | 159 | Grand Rapids, MI |
| 53  | Rockford, IL   | 161 | Cedar Rapids, IA |
| 89  | Aurora, IL     | 165 | Peoria, IL       |
| 93  | Naperville, IL | 216 | Lansing, MI      |
| 98  | Chicago, IL    | 227 | Springfield, IL  |
| 109 | Joliet, IL     | 228 | Fort Wayne, IN   |
| 112 | Green Bay, WI  |     |                  |



# ONE DAY EVENT LINEUP EXAMPLE



## Morning

- 8:30-9:00 - 1X Singles
- 9:00-9:15 – Pairs
- 9:15-9:45 - 4+ Fours with Coxswain
- 9:45-10:00 - 2X Doubles
- 10-10:30 - 8+ Eights with Coxswain
- 10:30-11 - 4X Quads
- 11-11:15 - Safety

## Mid-Day

- 11:15-11:45 - 1X Singles
- 11:45-12:15 - 4+ Fours with Coxswain
- 12:15-1:15 - Lunch
- 1:15-1:45 - 2X Doubles
- 1:45-2:15 - 8+ Eights with Coxswain
- 2:15-2:45 - 4X Quads
- 2:45-3 - Safety

## Afternoon

- 3-3:30 - 1X Singles
- 3:30-4:00 - 4+ Fours with Coxswain
- 4-4:30 - 2X Doubles
- 4:30-4:45 - Safety
- 4:45-5:15 - 8+ Eights with Coxswain
- 5:15-5:45 - 4X Quads

## MENS RACES

Event	Morning	Mid-Day	Afternoon
Mens Jr 1x	8:30 AM	11:15 AM	3:00 PM
Mens Jr 2-	8:45 AM		
Mens Jr 2x	9:45 AM	1:15 PM	4:00 PM
Mens Jr 4+	9:15 AM	11:45 AM	3:30 PM
Mens Jr 4+ NOVICE	9:15 AM		
Mens Jr 4x	10:30 AM	2:15 PM	5:15 PM
Mens Jr 4x NOVICE	10:30 AM		
Mens Jr 8+	10:00 AM	1:45 PM	4:45 PM
Mens Jr 8+ NOVICE		1:45 PM	
Mens Masters 1x	8:30 AM	11:15 AM	3:00 PM
Mens Masters 2-	9:00 AM		
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Mens Open 1x	8:30 AM	11:15 AM	3:00 PM
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Mens Open 2x	9:45 AM	1:15 PM	4:00 PM
Mens Open 4+	9:15 AM	11:45 AM	3:30 PM
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## MIXED RACES

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Mixed Jr 2x		1:15 PM	4:00 PM
Mixed Jr 4+		11:45 AM	
Mixed Jr 4+ NOVICE		11:45 AM	
Mixed Jr 4x		2:15 PM	5:15 PM
Mixed Jr 4x NOVICE			5:15 PM
Mixed Jr 8+		1:45 PM	4:45 PM
Mixed Jr 8+ NOVICE			4:45 PM
Mixed Masters 2x		1:15 PM	4:00 PM
Mixed Masters 4+		11:45 AM	3:30 PM
Mixed Masters 4x		2:15 PM	5:15 PM
Mixed Masters 8+		1:45 PM	4:45 PM
Mixed Masters 8+ NOVICE			4:45 PM
Mixed Open 4x			5:15 PM
Mixed Open 8+			4:45 PM

## WOMENS RACES

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Womens Jr 2-	9:00 AM		
Womens Jr 2x	9:45 AM	1:15 PM	4:00 PM
Womens Jr 4+	9:15 AM	11:45 AM	3:30 PM
Womens Jr 4+ NOVICE	9:15 AM		
Womens Jr 4x	10:30 AM	2:15 PM	5:15 PM
Womens Jr 4x NOVICE	10:30 AM		
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# NEW FORMAT FOR EVENTS



## New Format Regatta

- 3 Sessions- Morning, Mid-Day & Afternoon all with similar events
  - Events are by boat class- all similar classes launch, race and recover within time “windows”  
i.e. All 2x boats launch within a window. There is no order to the start- when crew is ready, they enter the chute.
  - Multiple race opportunities  
i.e. Men's Master Single can race three times!
- Launch Dock- all boat classes launch at same time.
- Shorter Row to Start- Can easily make it to start line in 20 minutes
- Start Order- No order, enter start chute when ready
- Recovery Dock- Close to Finish Line
- NOVICE- Entries will row as a block at the end of the race window.

# NEW FORMAT GUIDELINES



## Launch and Race Windows

- The launching, racing and recovery activities for each session are done by boat class. Bow numbers are used for timing only.
- Launching begins 30 minutes before most events. On water warm-up should be kept short.
- First morning race and after lunch race will allow launching 30 minutes before start.
- Launch docks will close for a boat class 20 minutes before the end of the race window. This will allow an entry to row to the start in 20 minutes and make the end of the race window.
- Boats are expected to be back to the recovery dock 5 minutes after crossing the finish line.

## On-Water Racing

- Boats will be sent into the start chute with 15-20 seconds spacing as ideal. Order does not matter; only boat class. Novice crews will row towards end of the race window.
- Overtaking/Give-way rules will be enforced with time penalties for infractions
- Course will have yellow buoys every 50m on Starboard side
- There are extra steering buoys in “tight” areas to separate upstream (to start) and downstream (racing)
- Shells crossing the buoy line will be penalized

# NEW FORMAT EXAMPLES



## Example: Women's Master Sculler

- A sculler would like to race 1X, 2X and mixed 4X & 2X
  - 8:30a Women's Master 1X
  - 9:45a Women's Master 2X
  - 2:15p Mixed Master 4X
  - 4:00p Mixed Master 2X
- Overall, 4 races and total race volume of 12k

## Example: Junior Sweep Rower

- Coach wants to get experience for rower and try different 4+ and 8+ line-ups
  - 9:00a Junior 2- (used to select 8+ initial line-ups)
  - 11:45a Junior 4+
  - 1:45p Junior 8+
  - 3:30p Junior 4+
  - 4:45p Junior 8+
- Overall, 5 races and total race volume of 15k

# UNIQUE FORMAT EXAMPLES



## Examples

- A Women's College 4+ wants warm-up time for the morning session. Race window is 9:15a to 9:45a. They launch at 8:45a, do a 25 minute warm-up and enter the chute at 9:25. They race for 11 minutes (1:50/500m splits). They take 5 minutes back to the dock and are pulling into the recovery dock at 9:41a.
- A 45-year-old man wants to race his single. He enters the Men's Master IX (with USRowing Handicap) for all three sessions of the day; 8:30-9:00, 11:15-11:45 and 3-3:30. He finally has a regatta that lets him race multiple times.
- A Mens Junior 4+ and a Womens Junior 4+ may decide to launch and race near one another. Since bow numbers do not matter, the coxswains position the boats prior to the chute and race each other down the course.

## Examples

- A person can decide to launch and race at the early side of a window and then launch and race at the end of another event and have as much time as possible.
- A team may decide to arrive on the race day and skip the morning sessions. Or they may do the morning and mid-day sessions but leave before the afternoon session.
- A coach uses the morning session to set the line-ups for the afternoon session. Changes can be made easily prior to the start of a session. Since the fee doesn't change based on number of events- no extra costs to race a lot.



# ROCK RIVER LANDING PARK

## ON LAND SUPPORT



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### Parking:

- Room for 20+ trailers with easy in & out
- Plenty of spectator/support parking close by

### Toilets:

- Fixed 2-stall toilet facility
- Additional rental of portable toilets based on registration numbers

### Docks:

- Low draft rowing docks attached to (3) floating docks

### Team Areas:

- Open grass area for rigged shells and team tents

### Finish Viewing:

- 5-minute walk to view 600m to finish from bridge



# ROCK RIVER LANDING PARK

## LAUNCH & RECOVERY DETAIL



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### Large Shells (4's and 8's)

#### Launch:

- Launch off dock at South end of park
- After launching will row across river, staying clear of return shells
- Launch only from one side dock
- Quick on the dock is needed!

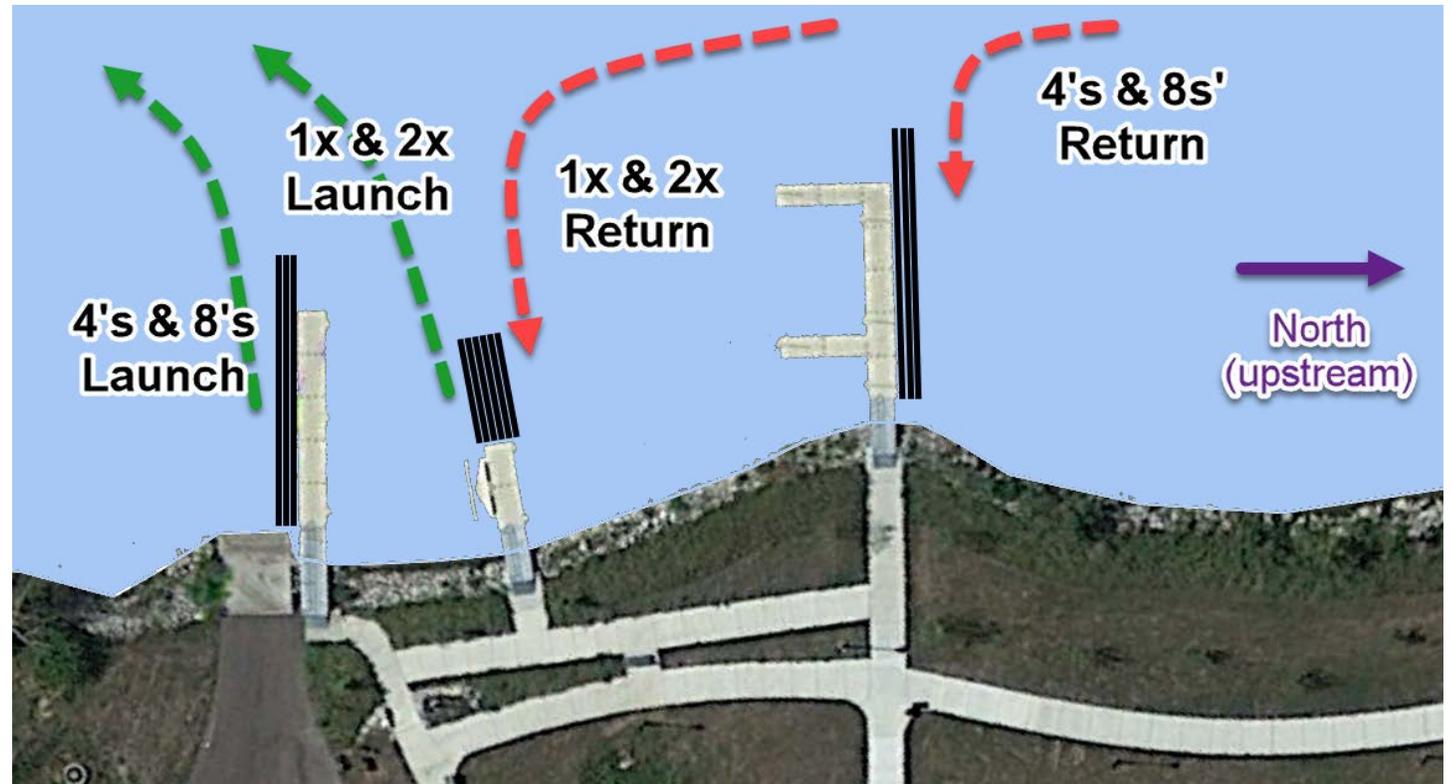
#### Return:

- Return on first dock on North side of park
- Poles on one side allow return only on one side
- Quick on the dock is needed!

### Small Shells (1X and 2X-)

#### Launch & Return:

- Able to use both sides of the smaller kayak dock
- Can use large docks when needed



# PUERNER STREET BRIDGE

## OFFICIALS AND SPECTATOR VIEWING



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### Finish Line Officials:

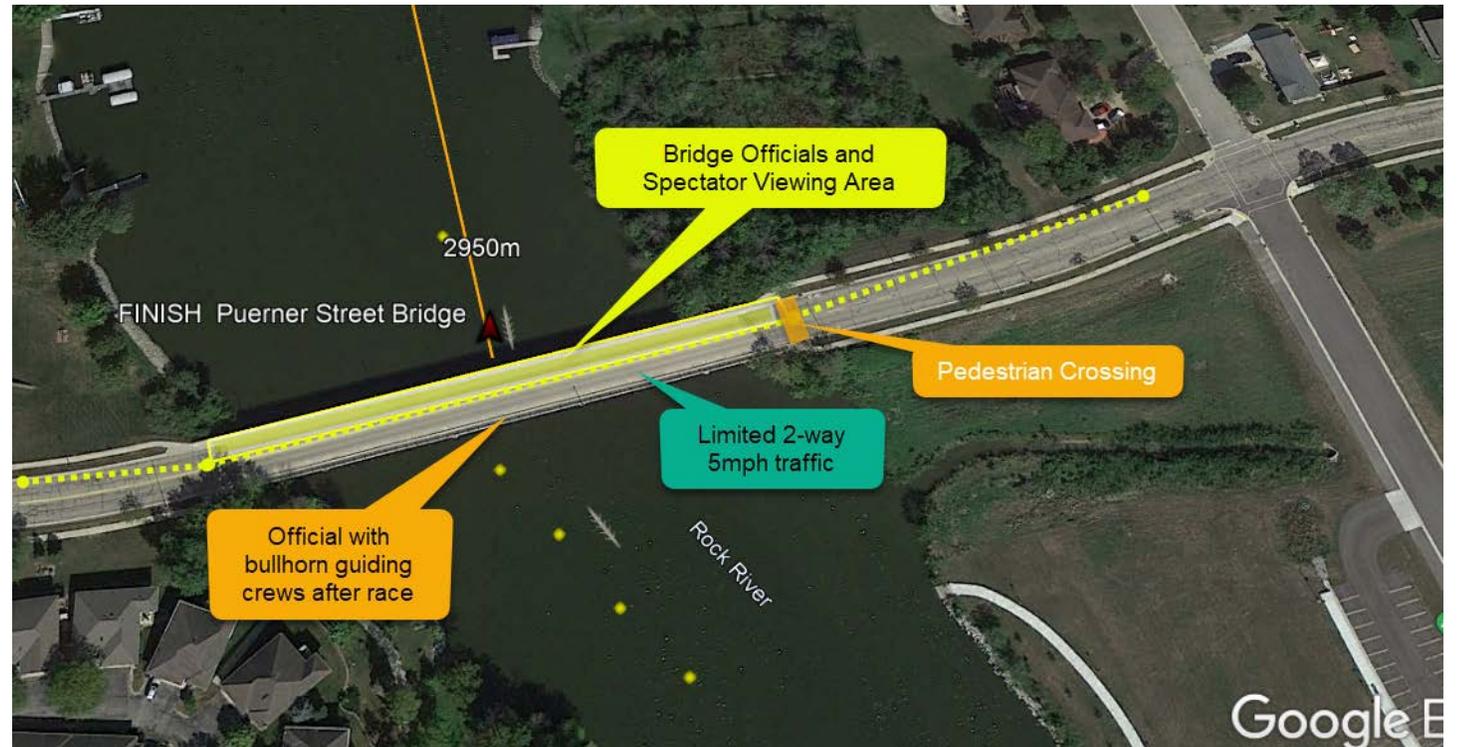
- 3-4 race officials performing finish line timing
- Safety official with bullhorn guiding crews after finish

### Traffic:

- Traffic reduced to slow (5mph)
- Lanes reduced to 12' in each direction
- Work with police and public works

### Pedestrians:

- Crossing to north side at bridge
- Walking only- no skateboards, scooters or bikes



# SAFETY INFO



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## On-Land Safety

- Dedicated “Regatta Safety Officer” that will be at the Rock River Landing Park and have adequate first aid skills and supplies
- Weather specific items will be provided if needed:
  - Extra water for athletes if hot weather (over 85F)
  - Rain tents for officials if storms
- Emergency evacuation plan includes:
  - Directions to local medical facilities
  - Regatta management ability to contact local law enforcement and emergency medical

## On-Water Safety

- There will be safety launches that will have full visibility of racecourse from launch area to the start line
  - Launches to each have a minimum of 9 extra life jackets
  - Launches will closely monitor “pinch points” of upstream and downstream traffic
- All personnel will have VHF radios for communication
- Standard US Rowing procedures for monitoring weather and clearing the course will be used