# New York State Scholastic Rowing Association

# 2010 SECTION 2 CHAMPIONSHIPS

## REGISTRATION GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES

### Eligibility

All athletes participating in programs who are members of Section 2 in the New York State Scholastic Rowing Association are eligible to participate in the 2010 Section 2 Championships. Eligible competitors must not have attained the age of 19 years prior to September 1, 2010.

#### Rules

- 1 Rowers may compete in ONE race on Saturday and ONE race on Sunday.
- 2 A school must enter the first varsity event in order to qualify for an entry in a second varsity or lower event. Likewise, third varsity boats may only be entered if a faster second boat has been entered.
- 3 Schools may enter second boats only of they have already entered a first boat that is faster.
- 4 Rowers who competed as novice in the 2009 regatta are not permitted to row as novice in the 2010 regatta.
- 5 Freshmen events are restricted to students who are enrolled in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade.

#### **Definitions**

- 1 "Scholastic Boats" refer to boats in competitions where every athlete represents the same school.
- 2 "Composite Boats" refer to lineups made from rowers representing different schools. These rowers will be members of the same rowing association.
- 3 "Novice" rowers are those in their first year of rowing (including summer programs).
- 4 Singles rowers should register as scholastic.

#### Registration

Entry Fees are as follows:

8+ - \$70

4+ - \$55

4x - \$50

2x - \$27

1x - \$16

Fees are non-refundable after Wednesday, April 28. Pay by credit card at RegattaCentral or by check in time for delivery no later than Friday, April 23. Make checks payable to "Friends of Niskayuna Rowing."

Scratch Fees - Entry fees will be refunded if the scratches are made before Tuesday, April 27. Scratches after that time will forfeit their entry fees.

Entry Deadline - Entries are due no later than midnight on Friday, April 23, 2009.

Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Regatta Committee and only with a \$20.00 per boat late fee.

On-Line Registration Only - All entries must be made at www.RegattaCentral.com.

**Team Roster** - As part of registration at Regatta Central, you will prepare a team roster. Scholastic team rosters must be signed by the Principal or Athletic Director of the school and contain only names of enrolled students who are in regular attendance at day classes and whose academic eligibility meets the regular requirements of their school. Composite team rosters must be singed by a club official. Print the Team Roster from Regatta Central, and mail in time for delivery no later than Friday, April 23. Rosters may be sent as an email attachment to <a href="Sect2Regatta@gmail.com">Sect2Regatta@gmail.com</a> or to fax number 382-2539 c/o Alfred Sive.

**Waivers** - Rowers do not need to be members of USRowing to participate in this regatta. There are no individual waives for rowers and parents to sign.

Organizational Membership and Insurance - All participating organizations must be fully insured. This Regatta is sponsored and insured through the Niskayuna School District. All participants must show proof of organizational insurance either through USRowing or another provider. Proof of such insurance should be delivered with team rosters so that it is received by Friday, April 23, 2010. Any questions regarding organizational insurance should be directed to Peter Wistort at <a href="mailto:Sect2Regatta@gmail.com">Sect2Regatta@gmail.com</a>.

**Mailing Registration Materials** - registration check, proof of organizational insurance, and team roster should be mailed to ensure delivery by Friday, April 23 to:

NYSSRA Section 2 Regatta Registration Friends of Niskayuna Rowing 1626 Balltown Road Niskayuna, NY 12309

#### Program

**Program Contents** - The regatta program will list all participating rowers, coachs and other team personnel, as well as any other current and/or historical information you wish to provide about your club. The deadline for submitting this information is April 17. Please send this information as an email attachment (Word or rtf document) to Sect2Regatta@gmail.com. Rower names should be listed in alphabetical order.

Advertising - The deadline for sending in advertising copy is April 17. For more information, please contact David Malcolm at <a href="mailto:KarenMalcolm@nycap.rr.com">KarenMalcolm@nycap.rr.com</a>. Please pass this along to your parents group.

### **Race Day Procedures**

**Start Times** - Races will not be delayed for crews that are late to the start. The start time for all races will be arranged to accommodate rowers who are taking SAT exams on Saturday morning.

Lane Placement - Lane placement for finals will be determined by heats:

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1st place - lane 3
2nd place - lane 4
3rd place - lane 2
4th place - lane 5
5th place - lane 1
6th place - lane 6
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**Bow Markers** - Bow numbers will not be provided. Each school must provide its own bow number. Bow numbers one through six will be used, corresponding to assigned lane numbers.

**Bow Balls and Heal Ties** - No shell may launch without a bow ball or heal ties for each seat.

**Uniforms** - All crews must wear matching uniforms. "Matching" means identical in style, color, and detail, including any insignia.

Awards - Trophies will be awarded to schools for first place winners of boys' and girls' first varsity and freshman races. Plaques will be awarded for all sweep races. Medals will be given to all first, second, and third place crews. Medals will be awarded to crews immediately after each race at the awards dock with rowers remaining in their shells. Carnations will also be provided to all first, second and third place winners. Trophies will be awarded as follows:

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Varsity Girl's Eight - William K. Altshuler Bowl
Varsity Boy's Eight - Thomas Cole Cup
Freshmen Girl's Eight - Mohawk Valley Marine Cup
Freshmen Boy's Eight - The Goldstock's Cup
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Yacht Club Launching Site - All visiting crews will be parked at and launch from the Schenectady Yacht Club site on the Northeast side of the Rexford Bridge. See venue maps on Regatta Central for information on parking location for bus and spectators, as well as space for team trailers and tents.

**Yacht Docks and Dry Dock** - Please notify your coaches, rowers, and parents that no access is allowed on the Schenectady Yacht Club docks and dry dock area. Adults must supervise all children on race day to ensure compliance.

**Check-In** - When teams arrive on Saturday and Sunday the head coach should sign-in at the officials' tent near the launching site to receive a team packet. The coach or team representative should check and verify the entries and boats for his/her school. All substitutions and scratches must be reported at check-in.

**Substitutions** - A crew other than a single scull may substitute up to one-half of its rowers, as well as the coxswain. All substitutions must be announced at on-site check-in. Rowers listed as substitutions must appear on the team roster that has been signed by a Principal, Athletic Director, or club official.

**Coaches and Coxswains Meeting** - The modified meeting will be on Saturday at 7am. The high school sculling meeting will be on Saturday at 1pm. The high school sweeping meeting will be on Sunday at 9am.

**Tent and Trailer Placement** - Team booster tents may be erected in the team trailer area at your own risk. Please use caution and consideration in setting up your tent. Be sure your tent is well secured in the event of high winds. The Regatta Committee is not responsible for any loss of items, damage to property or personal injury as the result of a tent's existence on the regatta site. All teams must carry out any trash they produce. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us to provide a safe and comfortable environment for our competitors and spectators.

**Unsportsmanlike Conduct** - The crew of any competitor caught stealing or engaging in any unsportsmanlike conduct will, at the discretion of the Regatta Committee, be disqualified. Rowers must be respectful to all other participants, officials, spectators, race volunteers, vendors, and official race support personnel (law enforcement, emergency services and bus drivers).