

2021 RCRC Rebellion: A Small Boat Tournament Regatta Packet

River City Rowing Club welcomes you to the

14th Annual RCRC Rebellion

at the Port of West Sacramento

July 11, 2021

Please carefully review this regatta packet;

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II.<u>Entries</u>

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Questions may be emailed to rcrebellion@gmail.com

I. EVENT PARKING

DIRECTIONS RCRC:

Do NOT enter RCRC's address in Google maps or other mapping apps as they will route you to a now closed road. Instead, follow directions to the 'Port of West Sacramento'. After entering the main Port entrance at the intersection of Harbor and Industrial Blvd, cross the railroad tracks and turn right before the guard shack

ATHLETE PARKING:

All athletes must park in the Upper Parking Lot

CARTOPPERS:

If you will be cartopping a boat and want to unload it on Saturday 7/10/21, notify RCRC at <u>rcrebellion@gmail.com</u> by Tuesday July 9th and someone can meet you between 5 PM and 6 PM on the 10th. Parking attendants will direct you on race day.

TRAILERS:

If your club will be bringing a trailer, notify RCRC at <u>rcrebellion@gmail.com</u> by Tuesday July 6. Trailer parking will be in the Lower Parking Lot. Some overflow may be in the Upper Parking Lot. Trailers may arrive any time after 2PM on Sat 7/10/21 and before 6:30AM on race day

HANDICAP PARKING:

Some handicap parking will be available next to the RCRC Boathouse for vehicles displaying a decal. The traffic attendants will direct you.

II. ENTRIES

CLASSIFICATIONS:

Junior, Open, Masters and Para, Men's and Women's, Singles (1X), Doubles (2X) and Pairs (2-), and Mixed Doubles. All boats will be place in one handicapped tournament bracket. Please see a sample 125-boat bracket below.

ELIGIBILITY:

All rowers are eligible to enter the regatta regardless of age or ability. All participating organizations must be active members of USRowing and must compete under their official USRowing membership name. The only exception to this rule is for single entries that must be full-privilege individual members of USRowing and must race as "Unaffiliated." All rowers must have a signed USRowing waiver ONLINE to be eligible.

REGISTRATION:

Registration is ONLY online through <u>RegattaCentral</u>. Registration closes Monday 7/5/21. There will be NO refund of fees due to scratching or weather. A maximum of 125 boats are allowed to enter and entries will be accepted in the order they are received. Individuals may only be entered in one boat. When registering, all boats must provide an estimated 1K race time assuming flat calm water, no current, no wind, and your boat's best effort. The time is not used for handicapping and it is extremely important the estimated time is as accurate as possible. Please do not try to "game" the system.

HANDICAPPING:

All boats will be handicapped based upon boat type, age(s), and sex. The handicap chart will be posted with the final schedule. Mixed pairs will be assigned men's pairs handicaps. There are no separate handicaps for lightweights. Reverse handicapping will be used with staggered starts.

RESULTS:

Places are assigned by the order of finish. False starts will result in disqualification.

III. RACE DAY

CHECK-IN:

Check-in will be open from $\frac{5:15 6:15}{6:15} AM - \frac{8:15 9:00}{9:00} AM$ on Race Day. All rowers must check in at the registration table to receive their bow number and bib number. Check-in is located near the RCRC Boathouse. If a crew is not checked in by $\frac{8:15 9:30}{9:30} AM$ on Race Day, the entry will be scratched.

ROWERS MEETING:

A coaches and rowers meeting will be held at the RCRC boathouse at <u>6:15</u> 7:00 a.m., July 11, 2021. As this is a unique format and there are no coxswains, all rowers are required to attend the meeting.

REGATTA SCHEDULE:

All races will be approximately 6 minutes apart depending on the size of the bracket. The first round of racing will begin at $7:30 \times 000$ a.m. Please lock onto the start 2 minutes prior to start of race, or a time penalty may be given at the discretion of the judge/referee. The second and final round of racing will follow $50 \times 25 \times 000$ -minute breaks respectively. The schedule and assignments for the first round of racing will be posted by July 9, 2021. In the second round, seeding will be based upon placement and handicapped finish times from the first round of racing. In the final round, seeding will be based upon the heat and placement in the second round. The race schedule can be viewed <u>online at RegattaCentral</u>.

AWARDS:

At the conclusion of racing the tournament champion will be awarded a perpetual trophy, which may be taken home and kept until the next Rebellion. The top three places in the tournament will receive medals. All participants of the final race and the winners of each heat of the final round will receive an award. The fastest raw time in each boat class in the final round will receive a gold medal.

IV. EQUIPMENT

NO EQUIPMENT SHARING:

All entrants must provide their own boat, oars, slings, and other equipment. Sharing boats or oars is not allowed as entrants may be racing each other in the same or adjacent heats.

BOW CLIP:

Please ensure your boat has a clip on the bow to hold the bow number card RCRC will provide you. Crews without bow number cards may not have their times recorded. Please return all bow numbers to the Dock Masters after the end of the third round of racing.

SAFETY:

Every shell must have a protective ball on the bow and heel ties attached to the foot stretchers in a way that allows for quick exit in case of emergency. Boats will not be allowed to launch without proper safety gear.

V. SPECTATORS

There is limited viewing from the RCRC Boathouse. We suggest that spectators view the regatta from the south levee path, which requires walking or biking from the public parking lot at the <u>Barge</u> <u>Canal Access</u> (Port of West Sacramento Barge Canal Access, West Sacramento, CA 95691). This lot is off of Jefferson Blvd, along the levee, ~1,200m past the finish line. A wide gravel/dirt path runs all the way along the racecourse up to the start line and can be biked or walked.