Volunteer Job Descriptions

We're in need of volunteers who are available before, during and after the regatta. We encourage everyone with an interest in the sport to sign up. You must be 14 years old the day of the event to volunteer. You'll need a valid e-mail address and access to the Internet to register.

Our venue is on Crown Point Shores, along Mission Bay. We anticipate cool cloudy mornings and warm sunny afternoons, but it can instead be rainy with temperatures in the 50s. Dress in layers, and remember a jacket, sunglasses, a hat, and sunscreen. Docks may become slippery so wear appropriate footwear.

There are many areas of the regatta that need your help. Some of these positions require little or no experience while some require specific Crew Classic experience. Please review the job descriptions below.

Registration: Once you have registered on RegattaCentral, you will receive an email confirming your shift. Please do not hesitate to contact the Volunteer Coordinator kim@crewclassic.org for any questions or concerns, with any special accommodation required or for shift changes. If you need documentation of community service hours, please contact Kim: kim@crewclassic.org.

Volunteer Check-In: Please report to the Volunteer Check-In Tent at the South Gate (green parking lot) at Crown Point Shores on the day and time you are scheduled. You will receive your T-shirt and more information on your job duties. Your experience as a Crew Classic volunteer is extremely important to us. That's why all volunteers are provided with the training necessary to perform their roles.

Parking: Free parking will be available off-site at several Mission Bay lots, and a free shuttle will escort you to the venue between 5:30am and closing. Please remember to allow time to park and ride the shuttle prior to your shift. (Paid parking is also available at Crown Point Shores, though it is extremely limited. Lots fill early each day.)

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The San Diego Crew Classic has volunteers in several areas. Please review the positions listed and select on the RegattaCentral website those that best fit you. You may choose more than one if you wish. THANK YOU!

AREA 1: Race Operations

- Trophies: Work in teams of three people to keep track of the winning crew from the finish line to the shore and bring them to the trophy tent for presentation of medals and trophy. Fast paced and sometimes hectic, must be friendly, outgoing and assertive in your persuasion with the crews and their coach/coxswain. Will use a walkie-talkie and keep in contact with the trophy tent to keep updated on the winning crew's whereabouts and arrival to the tent. Will be working in the full sun, so please wear a hat and sun screen; "tennis" shoes are highly recommended as you will be on the beach, in the sand and on grass.
- **Beach Master**: Be part of the team that assures boats get launched and retrieved with all necessary equipment and identifiers including bow numbers and bow balls, race and lane number stickers, etc. This is the heart of the action. New volunteers welcome! Must wear shoes/clothes that can get wet/sandy.
- **Finishline:** Horn blower and flag waiver (involves heavy lifting of a tall flag after each boat crosses the finishline).

AREA 2: Shore Operations

- **Volunteer Check-In:** South Gate support. Assist Volunteer Coordinator in administrative efforts, welcome volunteers.
- **Greeter/Security:** Work outside the Admissions Gates or roam the venue offering assistance to spectators and the general public. Support the paid security staff at entry gates.
- Admissions Gate: Union Bank employees only (by invitation only). Cash handling and reception at Main Gate.
- Golf Cart Driver: Man a golf cart and walkie-talkie, and respond to calls as needed.
- Raffle Tickets: Sell raffle tickets for a Concept 2 rowing machine (by invitation only).

AREA 4: Hospitality

- Pasta Party: Two shifts available to set up, clear tables, and then clean up this special Friday night event for collegiate rowers.
- Brunch Support: Set up, décor, tear down, greeters for the VIP Brunch under the main tent.
- Brunch Committee: Appointed Committee Members only (by invitation only).
- **Social Media:** By invitation of the Executive Director Only.
- Beer Garden Pourer: ABC trained volunteers only (by invitation only).
- Beer Garden Cash Handler: ABC trained volunteers only (by invitation only).

AREA 5: Water Operations

- **Boat Drivers:** You will have the responsibility of safely escorting personnel around mission bay while staying mindful of the hundreds of rowers on the water at all times. If you own or have access to a boat, this is a big plus! We need Boston Whalers/Parkers/Grady Whites under 18' with *newer* Honda or Yamaha 60-120hp 4-stroke outboards only. The boats should also come with working trailers unless they are already in the water in Mission Bay. Our mechanic at the Crew Classic will be well versed in servicing Hondas and Yamahas and will not be able to take care of Mercurys and Evinrudes.
- Race Course Pull Out: Course pullout happens on Sunday April 2nd at the end of the second day of racing. Plan on arriving at the venue on Crown Point Shores at 1pm. There will be a 45 min. meeting on the grass above the dock for training & allocating the tasks. Then there will be about an hour of free time for viewing at the venue, restroom breaks, etc. At 2:30pm, about 30min before the end of racing, some will be going out in the boats to stage for the pulling out of the course, while others will remain on the docks, where the gear will be organized & stacked for washing. The dock itself will be getting underway soon after the end of racing. Gear will be unloaded onto it as it is slowly towed to Campland on the Bay, & all boats will end up at Campland at about 5:30pm. All are welcome to stay at our all you can eat Taco party.