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**The 11th Portland Fall Classic
5000 meters Willamette River
Portland Oregon
October 29, 2017**

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Find all of the below information on www.regattacentral.com

Distance: 5000 meters for all rowers.

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 23 at midnight.

Race Categories: 5000 meter racing in 8+, 4+, 4x, 2x, and 2-. for College/Open, Masters and Juniors [pairs are open/college only].

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. 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 six 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 are posted on RegattaCentral —see the "venue" tab. Coxes are encouraged to review this information. A video tour of the course is posted on YouTube. Find the link on our RegattaCentral venue page.

Launching: Launching and landing will be from the Portland Boathouse dock. Boat will be launched by bow #, approximately one hour prior to race time. Regatta officials will clear groups of boats for launching by loudspeaker and via Twitter notification @PDXfallclassic. Crews may not approach the launch area until their bow number has been called. Once your number has been called you must proceed immediately to the launching area, or risk being late to the start. Please have oar carriers with each crew. It is a 45 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 various vendors, both food and retail (including JL) at the race site, including breakfast fare. See our RegattaCentral page for updates on vendors

Team Tents: As in 2016, the team tent location is on the north side of the Hawthorne Bridge, near the team bus and car parking areas. Parking lots have been reserved for team tents. This area is a 2 minute walk north from the main shell launching dock.

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 path south of the launching dock.

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 8:00pm on Saturday. 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.

Pay parking lots for athlete and spectator parking are available 2 blocks north of the boathouse

Team buses will be directed to a designated parking lot on SE Water Ave., just south of the boathouse. Parking is not allowed in any parking lot in the neighborhood unless specifically marked for "Regatta Parking." Ample free street parking is available for spectators.

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 Basic or Championship* individual members must sign their electronic waivers.

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 2017

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 prior years.

Contacts:

Check our RegattaCentral page 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

Entry Fees: Pay via Regatta Central.

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