

# 2014

# MACRA

## MID-AMERICA COLLEGIATE ROWING ASSOCIATION CHAMPIONSHIPS

Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2014  
Ford Lake, Ypsilanti, Michigan



### MACRA REGISTRANTS SINCE 2011:

Butler University	Notre Dame University Men	University of Dayton
Case Western University	Ohio University Men	University of Illinois
Cleveland State University	Ohio State University	University of Iowa Men
Depaul University	Lawrence University	University of Notre Dame Men
Drake University	Michigan State University Men	University of Michigan Men
Eastern Michigan University	Milwaukee School of Engineering	University of Minnesota Men
Grand Valley State University	North Park University	University of Toledo
John Carroll University	Purdue University	Washington University
Marquette University	St. Louis University	Wheaton College
Mercyhurst University	University of Chicago	Xavier University
Northwestern University	University of Cincinnati	



## Championship Manual

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## General Race Information

**Date:** Saturday, April 26, 2014. Racing to begin as early as 8am.

**Spectator Location:** Ford Lake Park, 9075 Huron River Dr, Ypsilanti, MI 48198

**Team Location:** *The Lake Shore Apartments of Ypsilanti Township*, 2500 Lakeshore Blvd, Ypsilanti Township, MI 48198

**Directions:** Exit I-94 at Rawsonville Rd and go south 2/10ths of a mile. Turn right at Grove Rd. Follow Grove Rd. west and you will encounter Lake Shore Apartments on your left about one mile down Grove. You will have to check in at the gate and inform them you are with the regatta.

**Trailer Parking:** Shells and oars should be parked in the space in front of the launching docks. I expect a better turnout than last year, so we will compact the space a bit. Someone will be on hand to guide you into the appropriate space. You should indicate on your entries if you plan to bring a trailer and the number of boats on it.

**Vehicle Parking:** Parking at Ford Lake Park is free for spectators. At Lakeshore Apartments athlete vehicles will not be charged. Each team will also be allowed a support vehicle to park for free. Spectators will be charged \$5 for 3 or more people in a vehicle, \$10 for 2 people, and \$15 for one person in the vehicles. We encourage spectators to park at Ford Lake Park and view from there.

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**Awards:** Medals will be awarded to the top three places. If there are 3 entries only a gold medal will be awarded. Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals will be awarded for events with four or more entries. There are Team Point Trophies for the Men's and Women's Team, as well as the Overall Team Point Trophy for combined Men's and Women's Results.

**Progression System:** Varsity and Freshman Eights will be seeded. All other events done by draw.

- 7 or fewer entries: Final only
- 8-13 entries: 2 heats, Top 3 of each heat to final, all others to petite.
- 14 entries: 2 heats, Top 3 of each heat plus next fastest 4<sup>th</sup> place time will go in lane 7. All remaining go to petite.
- 15 to 21 entries: 3 heats, Top 2 to final, Places 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> to Petite, Places 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> Level.
- 22 to 28 entries: 4 heats, Heat winner plus the next two fastest times, Next 6 fastest times to the petite.

**Seeding:** Coaches who have entries in the Varsity, and Freshman/Novice Eights will be asked to participate in a poll to determine seeding of the initial heat placement.

### **Stake Boat Starts:**

This year we anticipate using stake boats. All crews should review procedures for stakeboat starts—including backing and sculling. Crews unable to lock into the stakeboat by the start time of the race will be issued a warning. The officials reserve the right to disqualify/ exclude crews who are unable to lock into the stakeboats and keep a point. Crews who cannot lock into the stakeboats and keep a point will not be permitted to row down the course.

## **Registration Information**

**Registration:** Registration will be on RegattaCentral, [https://www.regattacentral.com/regatta/index.jsp?job\\_id=3235](https://www.regattacentral.com/regatta/index.jsp?job_id=3235). Boat entries are due by Monday, April 21, at 11:59PM EST. Payment can be made online at that time, or paid the day of the event. If paying by check, please make checks payable to: UMRT.

**Entry Fees:** MACRA Membership is \$45/year. Membership fees can be paid online through RegattaCentral. MACRA member schools pay \$12/athlete and have an

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entry cap of \$456. Non-member MACRA schools pay \$15/athlete and have no entry cap.

**Scratch Policy:** Scratches should be submitted to Gregg Hartsuff via email uofmcrew@aol.com by Wednesday, April 23 at 9:00pm (EST). Any scratches made after this point (after the heat sheets have been generated) will have a \$30 scratch fee assigned to them.

## Waiver Requirement

**Waivers:** This is a USRowing Registered regatta and all participants must sign the online waiver that can be accessed through [RegattaCentral.com](http://RegattaCentral.com) or [USRowing.org](http://USRowing.org)

## Schedule

*(Exact times will be made known the Wednesday prior to the event)*

Friday 2:30 – 7:30pm – Practice (course not installed until Sat AM)  
5:00 – 7:00pm - Registration

Saturday 6:15 – 7:30am – Practice

7:00am – Coaches & Coxswains meeting

8:00am - **HEATS** if needed (racing on 8', 10' or 12' centers) for events exceeding 7 entries. Petite finals will be offered in each event that has 9 or more entries. If fewer heats are needed then the racing schedule may start later.

11:30am – heats finishing / Lunch break

12:30pm until 5:00pm- Begin **FINALS IN THIS ORDER** on 10' centers

1. Men's Varsity four
2. Men's 2nd Freshman/Novice eight
3. Women's Varsity four
4. Men's Freshman/Novice eight
5. Men's Pair
6. Women's Frosh/Novice eight
7. Women's Lightweight four
8. Men's Lightweight four

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9. Men's Single
10. Women's Single
11. Women's Pair
12. Women's Frosh/Novice four
13. Men's Frosh/Novice four
14. Women's 2<sup>nd</sup> Varsity and/or Lightweight eight
15. Men's 3V and/or Lightweight eight
16. Men's 2nd Varsity eight
17. Women's Varsity eight
18. Men's Varsity eight

HOT SEATING OF EQUIPMENT IS DONE AT OWN RISK – No accommodations will be made.

## Regatta Entry Rules

### **VARSITY EIGHT REQUIREMENT**

The focus of this regatta is on programs fielding varsity eights. While the MACRA committee may extend invitations to programs that may not row eights, if there are eight people in your program, and you own an eight, we would like to see a varsity eight entered, even if it means double-rowing athletes for an eight. For smaller/start-up programs that may focus on fours: Upon entering you are accepting the responsibility of rowing the Varsity Eight – you may not scratch it to focus on the fours events. You may not row the Varsity Eight in the heats, and then scratch the petites or finals in order to concentrate on your fours. Should the varsity eight scratch after the fours race has ended, a scratch fee of \$50 will be assigned and those results in the fours event will be vacated, including if a medal were earned. Such violation of sportsmanship will be noted, and reflected in invitations next year. The intention of the Varsity Fours event at this regatta is to provide competition for Junior Varsity oarspersons, and that allowance of entry into the event means you are obligated to enter and race in the Varsity Eight event.

### **“B” ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

You may only enter a “B” four entry if you also have a varsity eight entered. The same rule applies to Freshman/Novice fours in relation to Freshman/Novice eights.

Each school may submit up to two entries in each event (exception: only one entry in the Varsity 8 and one in the Freshman/Novice 8). Teams may have unlimited multiple entries in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Freshman/Novice 8 and 2<sup>nd</sup> Varsity 8 events provided that a 1<sup>st</sup> Freshman/Novice 8 and/or 1<sup>st</sup> Varsity 8 events are entered.

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All athletes may row in as many as two separate events. This rule is waived for coxswains. **There will be no accommodations for equipment or athlete "hot seating"**.

Only one entry for the 1<sup>st</sup> Varsity Eight and Novice Eight events is allowed unless no 2<sup>nd</sup> Varsity or 2<sup>nd</sup> Freshman/Novice 8 event is offered due to less than three entries.

All members must be full time registered students according to Dad Vail, ECAC, NCAA and/or OAC Rules.

### **LIGHTWEIGHTS/WEIGH-IN**

This Regatta will offer lightweight events if there are three or more entries. Lightweight maximum weights are 130lbs for women and 160lbs for men, with no average. If there are three or fewer lightweight crews then they will automatically be placed into the heavyweight event. There will be no official weigh-in for lightweights or coxswains, it is on your honor. There are no weigh-ins conducted for equipment or coxswains either.

### **CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING & SEEDING**

Results in this race are considered in seeding for the Dad Vail Regatta, ECAC National Invitational, and ACRA Championships. Programs participating in those regattas will be competing at the MACRA.

### **USROWING RULES**

This regatta will follow USRowing Rules of Rowing, however, the following rules will be waived for this event:

- 2-204 Rowing Near the Course
- 3-104 Minimum Weight of Boats
- 3-201 Uniforms
- 3-204 Manufacturer and Sponsor Advertisement
- 4-109 Coxswain Weight
- 4-110 Weighing of Competitors

## Contact Information

### Championship Personnel:

**Gregg Hartsuff – Regatta Director, [uofmcrew@aol.com](mailto:uofmcrew@aol.com) (734-604-5611)**

Brad Holdren – Associate Regatta Director, [bholdren@emich.edu](mailto:bholdren@emich.edu)

Bob Appleyard – Chief Referee, [applerows@gmail.com](mailto:applerows@gmail.com)

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### Championship Rules Committee:

*for specific questions regarding rules for this regatta:*

Gregg Hartsuff, University of Michigan Men's coach, [uofmcrew@aol.com](mailto:uofmcrew@aol.com)

John Bancheri, Grand Valley State University, [bancherj@gvsu.edu](mailto:bancherj@gvsu.edu)

Adrian Spracklen, Mercyhurst University, [aspracklen@mercyhurst.edu](mailto:aspracklen@mercyhurst.edu)

## Accommodations

The hotels listed below are offering special rates for this event, and are within 20 minutes of the course. Mention you are with the regatta for the discount.

### **Holiday Inn Near the University of Michigan**

3600 Plymouth Rd, Ann Arbor, MI 48105 16.6 miles from course, near many restaurants and shops

Regatta Rate: \$89

Contact: Kim Goff, Associate Director of Sales, 734-769-9800 ext 6176,

[salescoord@hamptonnw.com](mailto:salescoord@hamptonnw.com)

### **Ann Arbor Regent Hotel & Suites**

2455 Carpenter Rd, Ann Arbor, MI 48108 7.7 miles from course, near many restaurants and shops

Regatta Rate: \$94 includes breakfast

Contact: Aaron Taylor, Director of Sales, (734) 973-6100, [sales@annarborregent.com](mailto:sales@annarborregent.com)

### **Microtel Ann Arbor**

3610 Plymouth Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48105 16.6 miles from course, near many restaurants and shops

Contact: 877-361-2512

Regatta Rate: \$72.25 for up to 4 people

We have a block of rooms reserved, to reserve use this confirmation code:

73581612. Rooms will be released after April 11<sup>th</sup>.

### **Gym Floor Space, Intramurals Sports Building, University of Michigan**

606 E. Hoover St., Ann Arbor, MI 48109

Indicate your interest when signing up on Regatta Central or by email Gregg Hartsuff at [uofmcrew@aol.com](mailto:uofmcrew@aol.com). It is \$5 per person for the night. You will need sleeping bags and padding.