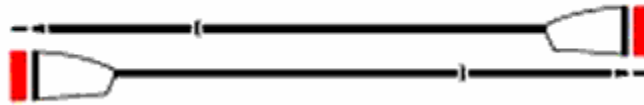




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Spring Racing #2

Collegiate Race April 28

Twenty collegiate teams came to Eagle Creek to race on a beautiful spring day and, as usual, the racing was good and the regatta ran on time. Thanks to the volunteers who took times, waved finish flags, held boats, sold t-shirts, made walking tacos and chauffeured referees. Special thanks to our Masters rowers who stepped up and did the stakeboat duties usually reserved for the junior rowers, who were out of town. Except for some mild sunburn and a brief period locked in the park, all survived.

Indy Rowing alums competing included Ann Rivenberg, Colin Ruummele and Andy Glassman (Purdue) and Rachel Stoll (Marquette). Our own Butler University crew with Indy Rowing alums Anna Beaman and Alex White also competed. Winning crews were from Purdue, Georgetown, Ohio State, Notre Dame, Northwestern, Michigan, Wisconsin and St. Thomas.

The Men's point trophy went to Michigan and Purdue won the Women's and Overall points trophies.

Governor's Cup Regatta, Columbus

While the college crews were racing in Indy, our Junior rowers were off in Columbus. More than 20 high school/club teams competed. There were many good races, some of which led to finals and some that did not. The girls' 1st varsity 8 had their best race of the spring and finished 3rd, which in the deep field, didn't qualify them for the finals. Other good heat performances included the boys' novice 4+ (1st), boys' 2V 4+ (3rd), boys' 1V 4+(2nd), boys' 1V 8 (2nd), boys' 1N 8 (2nd), girls' N 4+ (3rd & 4th).

In the finals, the bright spot out of the five finals crews was the bronze medal boys' 1st Novice 8. It was a long day of racing with a lot of encouraging performances.

As the junior season winds down, the remaining junior race schedule is:

May 6: Indiana High School Championship (home)

May 19-20: Midwest Junior Championship Regatta (Cincinnati)

Boathouse Clean-up Day - Saturday April 21

Thanks to those who came and helped clean out the fall leaves and winter dirt from the boathouse. About 15 folks came down and swept, vacuumed and neatened a very dirty boathouse. Many thanks to those who helped out and who are probably just getting over their dust coughs.

Learn-to-Row Day - May 5 - 11am-2pm

This Saturday is our own Learn to Row Day/Open House. Come spend a great afternoon at the park and, if you are racing at the mini, bring your running friends with you after the race a show them what a great cross-training activity rowing is.

Learn-to-Row Sculling Classes begin in May

Classes have begun for May Introduction to Sculling classes. Classes run every month and sweep classes begin in June. Check out our Web site for more info on all our classes.

Masters Sculling Camp

The sculling camp in June is full. Thanks to all who signed up. If you missed out and want more opportunities like this, let us know.

Corporate Challenge

A new program this summer is the Corporate Challenge. We're looking for about four businesses who want to put together eight oared crews for eight weeks of training on Wednesday evenings. The cost is \$800/crew. Indy Rowing will supply the coaching and coxswains and the crews will have the opportunity to race for their championship at the USRowing Midwest Masters Championships at Eagle Creek on August 4th.