

March 18, 2010

Dear Private Boat Owners,

Spring is here! The docks are in and the water is now on at the boathouse. While the temperatures are still cold for single rowing, the 4-oared boats have been going out!

IRC had about 25 masters and 40 juniors training through the winter. IRC also partnered with a number of community groups over the winter to offer indoor rowing: IMPD/IFD, Shortridge High School, The SurvioARS (a breast cancer survivor group that dragon boats). Hopefully, we will see some of these indoor rowers out at the boathouse this spring. The junior season kicks off April 3 with a race in Columbus, Ohio. The masters will be out at the boathouse about April 10th.

You may have seen IRC new website at www.indyrowing.org. If not, please check it out! We are continually updating it and adding new information. Safety procedures are posted under membership, and posted on the calendar are the dates of home regattas, classes and Center goings-on! Private Boat Owners are welcome to enter home regattas as competitors, please watch the calendar for race details as they become available.

The IRC board and committees have been extremely active over the winter, while the private boat owners are represented among the board, I encourage any of you who would like to become involved with IRC leadership to contact me or Board governance chair Sandy Kay (sskay@iupui.edu). A list of committees and descriptions is posted at <http://indyrowing.org/about/volunteer-opportunities/>. The membership and rack year at IRC now runs March 1-March 1. Accordingly, please sign onto regattacentral.com to sign up for a 2010 membership and rack rental. The rates have stayed the same for 2010.

Once again, IRC will be offering a free rigging service for private boat owners through March- May 1. IRC equipment manger Caitlin Gray or I will be happy to take a look at your single and make rigging suggestions or adjustments. Caitlin is IRC's full time coach and equipment manager. If you have not met her, you will soon! She is either in the BH or teaching classes throughout the late morning-evening, and an often be found repairing boats!

Are you happy with your boat rack? If not, please contact Caitlin caitlin@indyrowing.org to arrange a new slot. We have sold some of the old IRC singles, so there may be a position open for you to move to, if you would like. Otherwise, your rack will stay the same for 2010. 2010 rates: register online at regattacentral.com. You can pay online or submit a check to IRC at PO Box 53223, Indianapolis 46253. Please contact me to set up a payment plan if needed.

Membership \$300 (plus 8 volunteer hours). Please see the volunteer opportunities listed on the web at <http://indyrowing.org/about/volunteer-opportunities/> as in the past, we would love you volunteer, but if you are unable to you may buy out your hours.

1x rack fee \$175

2x rack fee \$200

4+ / x indoors \$300

Outdoor racks are 50% discount.

Welcome back!

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