### 2019 Annual General Meeting



Mendota Rowing Club

## Agenda

Time	Item	Who
9:30	Food and Gathering	
9:45	Welcome , Introductions (5 minutes)	Fran
9:50	Finances (10 minutes)	Fran
10:00	Equipment Update (10 minutes)	Nancy
10:10	Annual Evaluation (10 minutes)	Kathy
10:20	Volunteer Requirements (5 minutes)	Fran
10:25	Advanced, Competitive, Sculling, and Novice Programs for 2019 (20 minutes)	Coaches
	Mike's Crew	Mike
10:50	Learn to Row (10 minutes)	Pacia and Carlee
11:00	Board of Directors Election (15 minutes)	Fran
11:15	Awards (5 minutes)	Fran
11:20	Closing Remarks, Clean up  2019 MRC Annual General Meeting	

#### **Current MRC Board of Directors**

Fran Breit, President, (Term Expires: 2021)

Al Gunther, Vice President, (Term Expires: 2019)

Todd Thompson, Treasurer, (Term Expires: 2020)

Nancy Jarvis, Assistant Treasurer, (Term Expires: 2021)

Kurt Amann, (Term Expires: 2019)

Kathy Campbell, (Term Expires: 2020)

Katrina Carter, (Term Expires: 2020)

Danielle Scodellaro, Secretary, (Term Expires: 2019)

Elizabeth Zellmer, (Term Expires: 2021)



#### Some Highlights from 2018

- To balance out our fleet we purchased a mid-weight 4+.
- We had 75 Learn-to-Row graduates this year
- 1 LTR team building session
- We had 8 people participate in our Row with Parkinson's program
- More than 70 people tested the waters at National Learn to Row Day

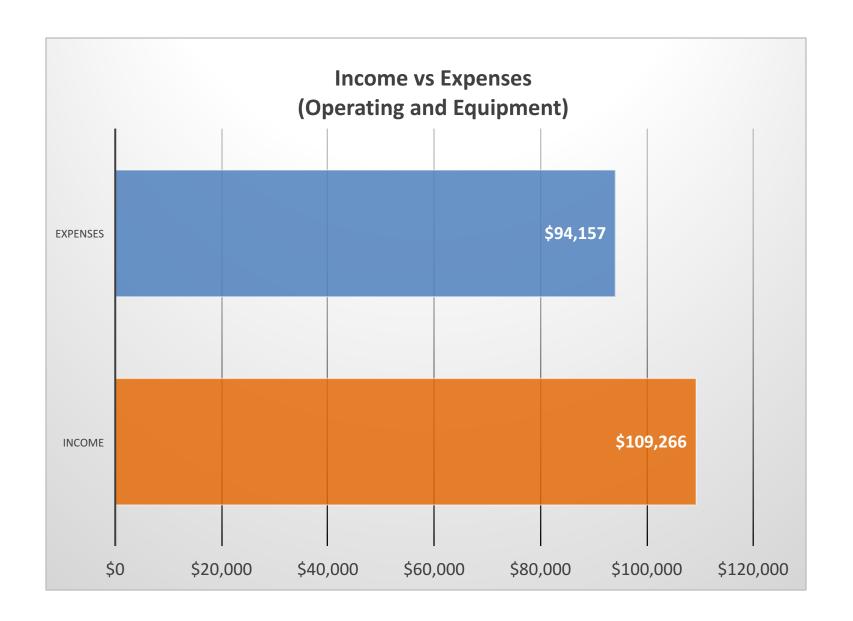
#### Highlights from 2018

AND...We added 7 awesome juniors and their coach to our membership.

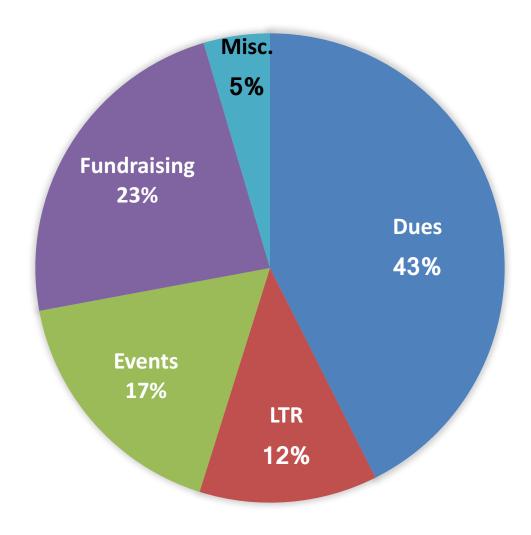


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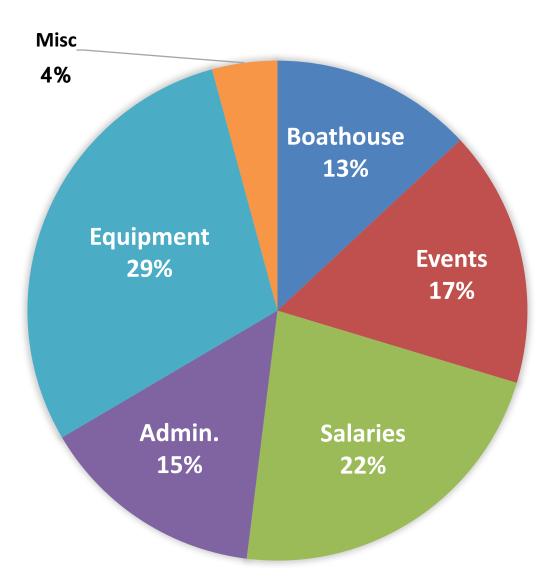




#### **Income Sources**



#### **Expenses**



# Detailed information on the financials can be found in our minutes on the website under Members-Board



## MRC Equipment Spring 2019

#### **Topics to cover**

MRC Equipment list and Captains

Equipment purchased in 2018

Purchase priorities for 2019

And...

How can we all help keep our equipment in tip top shape?

#### **MRC** equipment

**Boats and Oars** 

**Ergs** 

Launches, Outboard, Fuel

**Dock and Hoists** 

**Truck and Trailer** 

Safety

Lights, Megaphones

Cox boxes

#### **Equipment purchased in 2018**



New Outboard for our safety launch



Hudson midweight 4+ Peggy A. Kent



4 sets of new sculling oars



New Waders, and new lights!



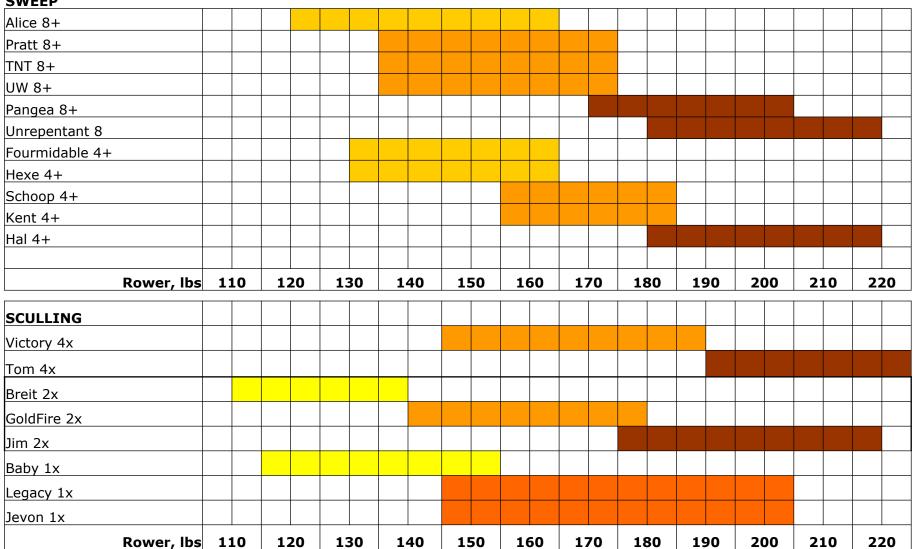
Brand new erg



#### **2018 Fleet**

#### 2018 Crew weight range, by boat

#### **SWEEP**



#### **Equipment Priorities**

1. FLOATING DOCK - Evaluation/Feasibility

2. MID-WEIGHT RACING SINGLE: Next Boat Priority

#### How can I help?

Take good care of the equipment

Report any problems promptly

Participate in Fund Raisers

Ovolunteer!

Where does the money for equipment purchase come from?



### **Fundraising**

TOTAL	\$25,573
Donations, Boat Naming	\$13,346
Erg Sales	\$1,794
Equipment Sales	\$800
UW Food Service	\$4,521
Rent a Rower	\$3,146
Collectivo Coffee Sales	\$1,441
Madison Marathon	\$525

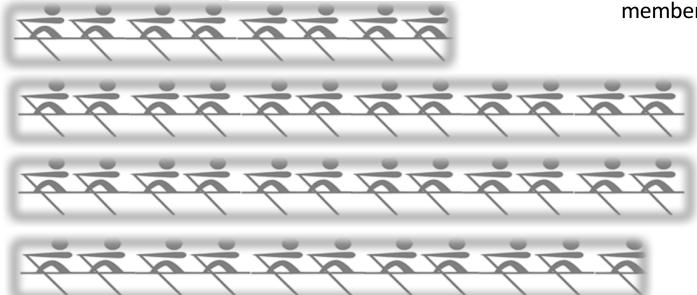


# Mendota Rowing Club On Water 2018 Evaluation



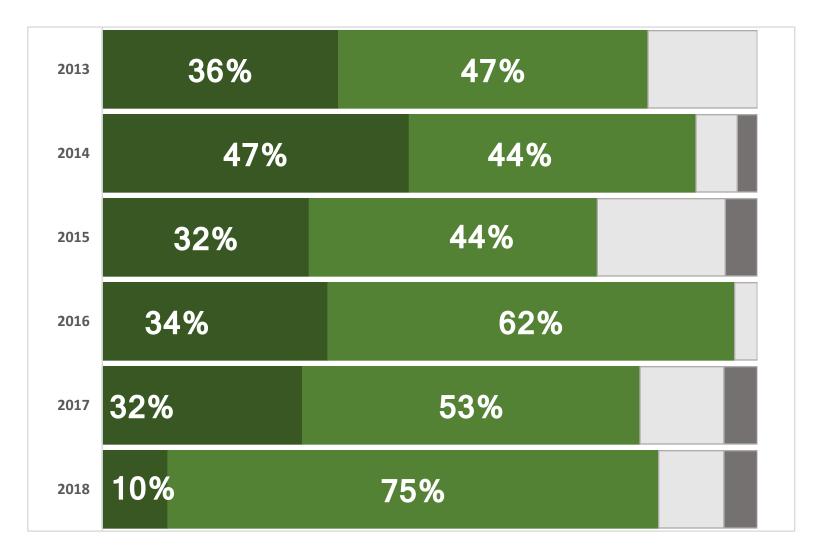
30% response rate

- Down from 2017
- Representative of membership

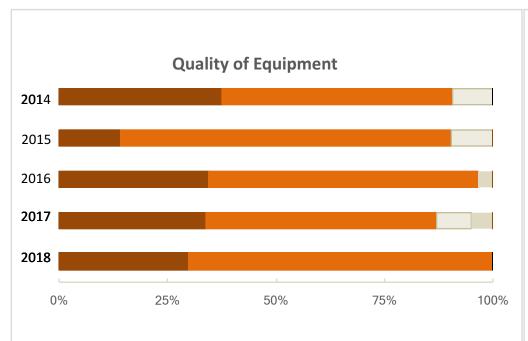


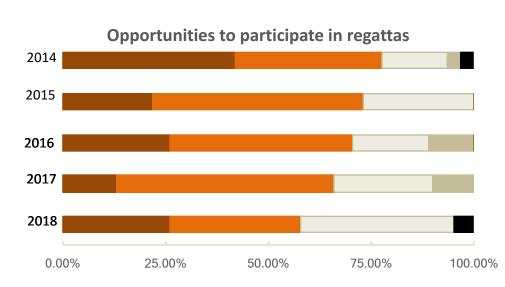


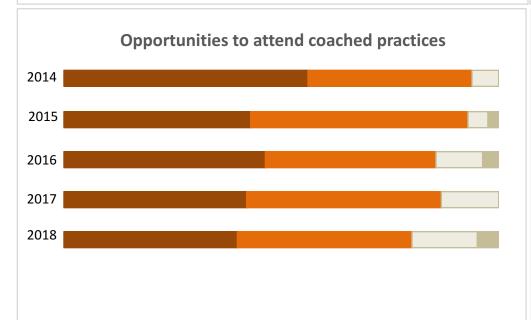
#### 85% satisfaction overall

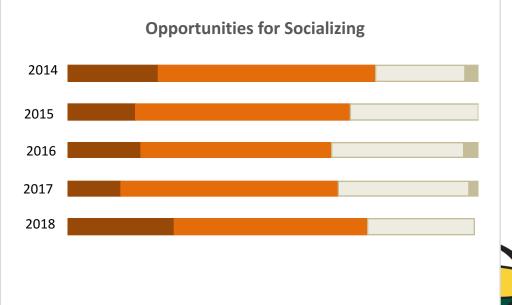






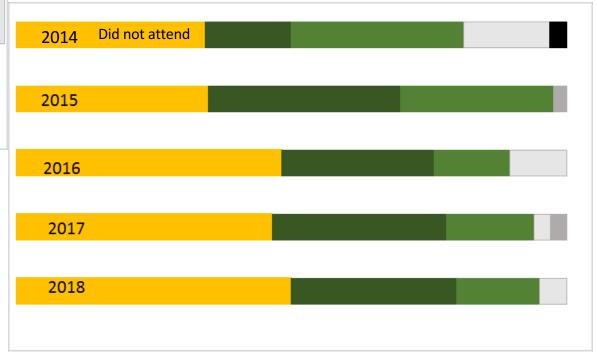






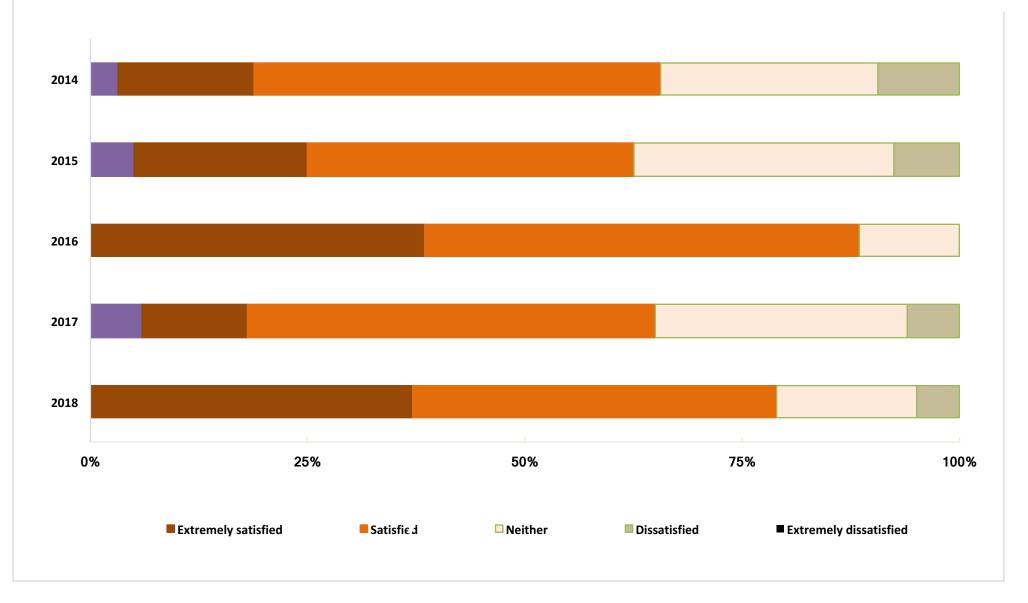
# Did not attend 21% Extremely Satisfied Satisfied 26%

#### National Learn to Row Day

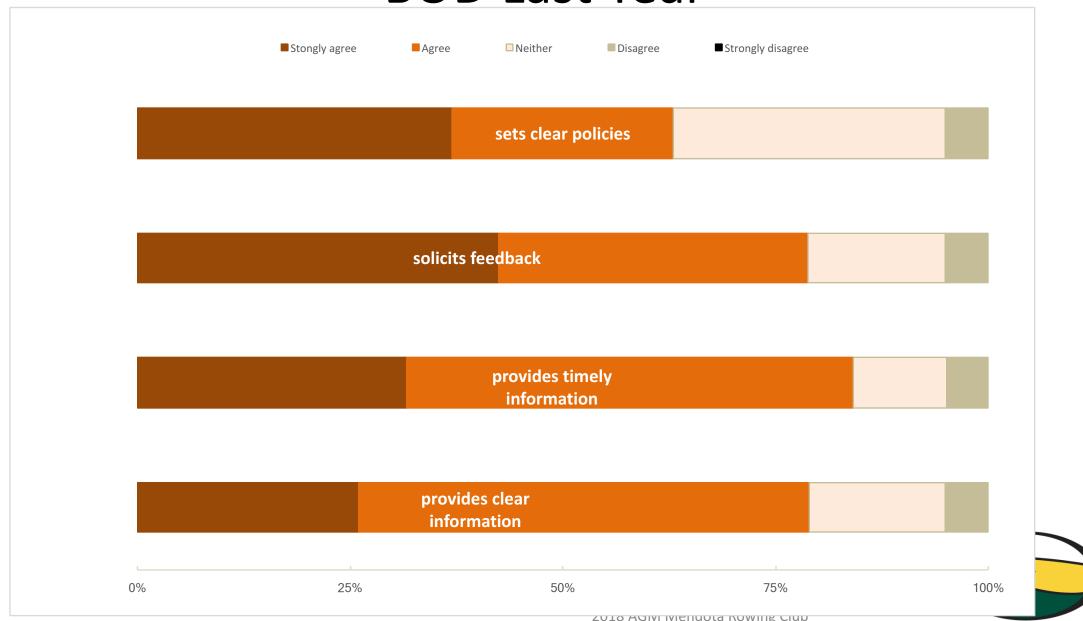




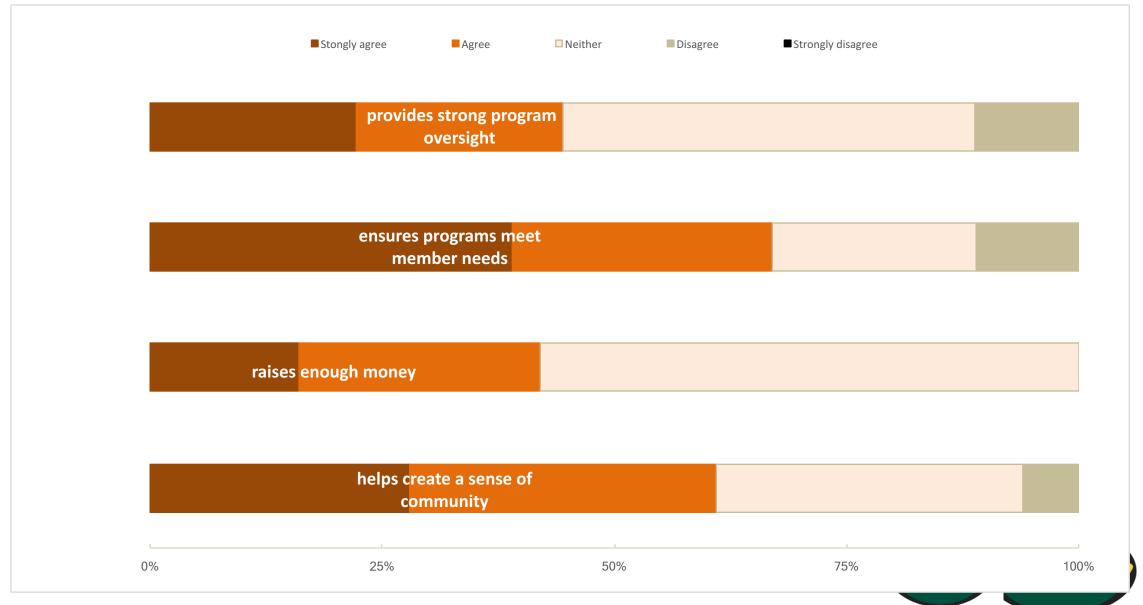
# Awareness & Satisfaction with BOD increased significantly over 2017



#### **BOD Last Year**



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#### **Volunteer Requirements for Members**

○ Full year members – 15 hours/year

Monthly members – 2 hours/month



#### **Volunteer Hours Buyout Option**

All members will be required to log their hours on our online tracking system

You can buyout your time for \$25/hr or a max of \$250/yr.

At the end of the year, members who have volunteered less than 15 hours will be invoiced at a rate of \$25/hr.

#### Why are We Tracking Volunteer Hours

Ensure that everyone is doing their fair share.

Having a record of volunteer hours is helpful for grant writing.

This will give us a better sense of how much work is required for the many tasks that are needed to run the club.



#### Why are We Tracking Volunteer Hours

Volunteer Hour Tracking https://mendotarowingclub.com/Volunteer-Hours

Review Website Launch Caption needed



### Mendota Rowing Club

2019 Masters Programming

#### What does MRC have to offer Masters in 2019?

- Competitive Racing Group
- Advanced Group
- Novice Technical Group
- Sculling

### Competitive Racing Group

#### What's different this year?

- Time Standard
  - 4:00 Women Age and Weight Adjusted
  - 3:30 Men Age and Weight Adjusted
- Two Seasons to Commit (Summer, Fall or both)
  - How do you commit?
  - What does your commitment mean?
  - What are the expectations?
- Practice Make Up
  - 40/40/20 approach
    - 40% Speed
    - 40% Endurance
    - 20% Technical Focus

#### **Advanced Group**

- 50 / 50 Practice Approach
- Have the opportunity to bump up to Competitive Racing but not required
  - You can still race
  - Testing is NOT required but STRONGLY recommended
- No Time Standard

#### Novice Technical Group

- Focus on learn to row graduates and first year rowers
- 80 / 20 practice approach
- Open to everyone, but will 100% focus on newer rowers
  - If you plan on attending these practices, plan on slower paces and more technical work
- Racing will commence in the fall for this group

### Sculling

Starts in May! (As long as Queen Elsa Stays away)

• Develop your sculling skills!!!

#### Expectations

- All Masters will commit to a group at the beginning of the season by using the online google roster
  - If you want to change groups after signing up for one, you need to talk to the coaches to make sure you understand the differences and really think it's the right fit
  - You can set up a meeting by emailing coaches@mendotarowingclub.com
- For mixed practices, coaches will do there best to boat by group first
  - The more people who can scull the easier it is for us to boat you!

#### Expectations cont.

- All Masters will be expected from time to time, to scull and/or cox and/or volunteer their time helping coaches to be fair to those that cox in rotation more frequently
- If you are doing the Competitive Racing Group you are expected to do at least 4 of the 6 posted workouts, either in practice or out of practice
  - Yes, attendance and workouts matter

#### Expectations cont.

- Races will be broken out by Group
  - It is the expectation that each group will have at minimum one race with JUST their group members
- Timed Pieces are due by the 7<sup>th</sup> of every month for Racing Competitive
  - No timed piece = no racing competitive group (you can row in advanced)

#### Expectations cont.

- You sign up, you show up
  - Make sure to be prepared for all weather and coxing
  - If coaches have to be there, so do you
  - If your boat isn't there, you will not be going out
- Communicate with coaches
  - If you need more from us or less from us, you need to let us know
    - coaches@mendotarowingclub.com

#### What we need from you...

- Come to Practice Rain or Shine
- Act like a team everyday you show up
- If you don't understand what, why, where, how ask
- If you need more information from us or you don't think we are clear enough – ask
- Fight for your seat and give it your all

#### What we need from you... (cont.)

- From the moment you put hands on a boat nothing but rowing and focusing on rowing should be on your mind
- We don't have a lot of time together 5.5 hours a week you have to move quickly
- Understand, ALL your coaches WORK other jobs or are IN SCHOOL and probably spend 40+ hours doing those things, so be nice and respectful of that because we weren't DEDICATED, we wouldn't be here
- Give what you want to get

#### Summer Racing Schedule

- Grand Rapid Sprints June 22
- Chicago Sprints July 6 7
- Summertime Sprints July 20
- Master Nationals August 15 18
  - This is what all winter, spring and summer is training for

#### Fall Racing Schedule

- Tail of the Fox --??
- Head of the Rock October 13?
- Charles (Oct 19 or other large fall race Schuylkill Oct 26)
  - Commitment to the Charles is required by July 1<sup>st</sup> to make sure we can get an entry in the hopper

### All Group Practice Schedule

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
5:15 – 7:00am	Racing  Danielle and Jackie	Sculling (piece focused) Larissa / Robin	Racing  Danielle	Racing and Advanced Danielle and Jackie			Sculling (8am) Larissa / Robin
6:30 - 8:30am						Racing, Advanced, Novice Jackie* and Lizzy	
6:15 – 8:15pm (Sun dependent)	Advanced Lizzy	Novice Alex	Advanced Lizzy	Novice Alex			

<sup>\*</sup>Jackie covering Saturday's until coach is found

## **April Calendar Practices ONLY**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
					6:30-8:30 <b>am</b> Adv/Comp	
6:15-8:00 <b>pm</b> Adv/Comp		6:15-8:00 <b>pm</b> Adv/Comp	6:15-8:00 <b>pm</b> Adv/Comp			

Arrive 15 minutes before practice for setup, please.

## Broad training plan

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
5:15 – 7:00	Racing Pieces	Sculling Steady State	Racing Pieces	Racing and Advanced Technique and Steady			Sculling Steady State
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6:30 - 8:30						Racing, Advanced, Novice	
						Pieces	
18:15 – 20:15 (Sun	Advanced	Novice	Advanced	Novice			
dependent)		Technique and Steady State	Pieces	Technique and Steady State			

## Weeks 1+2: Focusing on body swing

#### Drills of the week

Arms and body over pause, rock and row pauses

Type of Practice	Racing	Advanced	Novice
Pieces	Warmup 10 min drill 6x500m @ 30spm	Warmup 20 min drill 4x500m @ 28spm	Warm up 30 min drill 2x1k @ 26spm
Sculling	Warmup 20 min drill 60 min steady state	Warmup 20 min drill 60 min steady state	Warmup 20 min drill 60 min steady state
Technique and Steady State	Warmup 10 min drill 30 min steady 10 min drill 30 min steady	Warmup 15 min drill 25 min steady 15 min drill 25 min steady	Warmup 20 min drill 20 min steady 20 min drill 20 min steady

#### Weeks 3+4: Focusing on slide ratio

#### Drills of the week

Pause half slide, gunnel tap pauses, feet out rowing, eyes closed rowing

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#### **Junior Rowing Update**

Since June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 – the Junior's first practice, we have hit some pretty terrific milestones:

- Learned how to Scull
- 6<sup>th</sup> / 27<sup>th</sup> in the Varsity 4x at HOSR
- 12<sup>th,</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> in the Varsity 2x at HOSR
- 22<sup>nd</sup> /75 in the Varsity 4+ at HOSR
- 23<sup>rd</sup> & 33<sup>rd</sup> / 53 in the Varsity 1x
- Jack Austin being accepted to U18 Olympic Development Team for US Rowing.

#### **Junior Rowing Update - Continued**

- Went to winter training in Sarasota, Fla. a place more members of the club should choose for training in the winter.
- Raced Sarasota Scullers won an 8x8min scrimmage vs their V4x.
- All eyes are on May 18<sup>th</sup> when we try and punch our ticket for Nationals.
- Looking to grow our numbers over the next 3 months. Spread the word!



## Learn to Row 2019



#### What is Learn To Row?

A 4-week intro program to provide the general public with the opportunity to learn the foundations of rowing and take the next step to join our Novice Team.

- Rowers of all ages (14+) and abilities are welcome.
- 2 classes on land, 6 classes on water

#### 2018 Year in Review

75 new rowers participated across 6 sessions

Over \$13,400 in revenue! Wow. But we could earn up to \$16,800...

Class at 78% capacity: June and July classes almost full; May classes half-empty

71 rowers at National LTR Day

## 2018 Year in Review – Thank you!

#### 7 lead instructors:

Janet B.

Ben B.

Mark L.

Nancy J.

Stephanie F.

Mireille R.

Sandy H.

#### 16 assistant instructors:

Al G. Pacia H.

Caroline J. Jack A.

Elizabeth Z. Mary M.

Laurie W. Terry F.

Katrina C. Hilary H.

Harlan H. Katy T.

Anna R. Amy W.

Elizabeth C. Kathy C.

## And thanks to Ben and Katy!

#### 2018 Goals: How did we do?

Goal: 85% of seats full (82 students)

Reality: 78%, 75 students

Goal: Smoother LTR → Novice transition

Reality: 23% of LTR students continued as novices

Goal: Ben not teaching all the classes ©

Reality: Ben only taught part of one session!

#### **2019 Goals**

- 80% of seats full (77 students)
- More students in May sessions
- Smoother LTR → Novice transition (again)

## What's new this year

#### More training!

- Instructors' workshop Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>
- Coxing workshops in May and June (coxing beginners can be hard!)
- More safety launch training and practice

We need help with coxing workshops and launch training!

## We need you!

- One lead instructor + two assistants for each class (x6)
  - o 1st assistant should commit to the whole class
  - ○2<sup>nd</sup> assistant can be filled by subs
- Instructor and assistant substitutes available on an on-call basis
- Sign up on google sheet

#### **Lead Instructors**

- 1. Previously assisted a LTR class at MRC
- 2. Become a certified launch driver
- 3. Become Safe Sport certified
- 4. Have approval from the LTR Coordinator

#### **Assistant Instructors**

- 1. Cox, row, demonstrate proper technique
- 2. Coach technique and lead drills on ergs
- 3. Assist with set up and break down
- 4. Help ensure student's safety

## Help get the word out

- Share MRC's LTR posts on social media (videos work best!)
- Talk to friends, family, colleagues
- Advertise in your health club, neighborhood newsletter, community group (any more ideas?)
- Take some flyers! Put them everywhere

## **National Learn to Row Day**

Save the date! Saturday, June 1

All-hands-on-deck volunteer event



#### **BOD Elections**

#### **Board of Directors Candidates (vote for up to 3 candidates)**

- [ ] Melissa Austin 3-yr term
- [ ] Hilary Hartman— 3-yr term
- [ ] Danielle Scodellaro— 3-yr term
- [ ] Jack Austin 2-yr term



#### **Engine Room Award**

The Engine Room is awarded annually for exceptional long-term service to the club, by working hard in the background and out of the limelight.





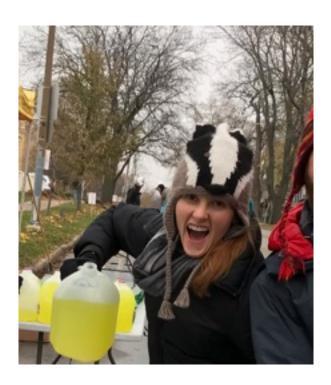


**Amy Wencel** 

#### Clean Oarlock Award

The Clean Oarlock is awarded annually for exceptional service to the club

during the past year.







**Katy Thostenson** 

# Thank you for attending and we look forward to seeing you at the boathouse!

