



## ***2019 USRowing West Coast Scholastic Championships***

### **EVENT**

**Event Name:**

**Event Location:**

**Event Set-up:**

**Move-out:**

### **2019 TIME AND DATES**

**USRowing West Coast Scholastic Championships**

**Lake Perris, CA**

**13 April, 2019**

**14 April, 2019**

### **Lake Perris State Park:**

- This is the West Coast Qualifier for the Scholastic Rowing Association of America's National Championships. More qualifying instructions on page 5 of this packet.
- Buoyed, course capable of racing 1,500 meters.
- Offering full schedule of events on Sunday, April 14.
- Safety and fairness provided by USRowing referees.
- USRowing will provide bow numbers.
- West Coast Scholastic Championship specific medals will be given to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place finishers.



- If you have any questions, feel free to call, text or email USRowing Events Coordinator, Megan Peres at 504-236-0049 or [megan.peres@usrowing.org](mailto:megan.peres@usrowing.org)
- Entries for the following events will be open on Thursday, February 7, 2019 on RegattaCentral.

### Important Dates and Deadlines

February 7	•First Day Regatta Central allows entry input for the regatta
March 31	•Deadline to input entries for the regatta without paying late fees •Closing date for Regatta Central •Last day to scratch entries and receive a full refund of the entry fee
April 1 – April 12	•Organizations scratching entries will be charged the entry fee and an additional scratch fees
April 3	•Preliminary Event Schedule to be published
April 9	•Lane draws posted.
April 12-- 4:00pm	•Deadline for late entries, which will only be accepted if space is available and the coach submits payments, waivers and lineup form. •Registration Opens
April 14 -- 6:30am	•Coaches & Coxswains Meeting (estimated) •Control Commission opens; coxswains and lightweights may weigh in.
April 14 -- 8:00am	•Racing begins (estimated)

### Registration Information:

#### USRowing Membership:

The West Coast Scholastic Championship is a USRowing-owned event.

- Each participant is required to be a current member of USRowing, with either a Basic membership with Add-On Regatta Package or a Championship member of USRowing in place.
- Each participant must also have a signed waiver on file for 2019.

#### Not familiar with our brand new Add-On Regatta Package?:

- Learn more about our great new membership deal for current Basic members through our website FAQ. Athletes can now be compliant for USRowing-owned regattas and get our most popular benefits at a serious discount.
- Each competing organization is required to be a current organizational member of USRowing.
- Memberships can be activated or renewed by visiting <http://www.usrowing.org/join.aspx> or by calling the Membership Services Department at (800) 314-4769.
- Memberships should be handled prior to arriving for the event. A current listing of your athletes, their member numbers, and expiration dates can be found on your online

roster through the Membership Portal at <http://membership.usrowing.org>

**Waiver:**

- All athletes should make sure to sign their USRowing waiver using their Basic w/ Regatta Package or Championship member number.
- Please make sure the number on the athlete's RegattaCentral profile matches their current USRowing number.

**Credentials:**

Credentials will be issued to competitors once registration is complete, membership and waiver information is verified, and all fees are paid in full.

- In a continued effort to have competitors spend less time in the registration line, and more time focused on rowing, we are continuing a few changes to the on-site check-in procedures for this year's regatta:
- **Group Pick-up:** A coach or crew representative can pick up the credentials for their crew, except for non-compliant members. Individual athletes are not required to show up to registration to collect their own credentials.
- Competitors will be required to show credentials in order to weigh-in, pass through Control Commission, and launch for racing sessions.

**"Express Lane":**

Any crew whose line-ups are complete, fully compliant with Membership requirements, and fully paid on all entry and other fees are eligible for the "Express Lane" on-site registration option.

- These crews may collect their credentials without waiting in line to speak with a USRowing representative.
- To be eligible, crews must be in compliance by the Line-up Deadline posted in this packet and on RegattaCentral.
- After this deadline, a list of eligible crews will be made available.

**Entry Information:**

- No paper entries will be accepted for this event. All entries must be made online at [RegattaCentral](http://RegattaCentral).
- Initial registration will be available beginning Thursday, February 7, 2019, and ending Sunday, March 31, 2019.
- No refunds will be given once the initial registration period has ended.
- All entry fees must be paid in full by Sunday, March 31, 2019. After this date, unpaid entries will be considered late entries and subject to the additional fees associated with such designation.
- Payment arrangements may be made by contacting [megan.peres@usrowing.org](mailto:megan.peres@usrowing.org) prior to the deadline.

- Crews with an outstanding balance will not be allowed to compete until the balance is paid in full.

**Entry Fees:**

Category	Entry Fee	Late Entry Fees (Total Cost after initial deadline)
8+	\$ 215.00	\$ 240.00
4+/4x	\$ 160.00	\$185.00
2x/2-	\$ 88.00	\$ 113.00
1x	\$ 66.00	\$ 91.00

**Late Entries:**

- Beginning Monday, April 1, 2019, late entries may be accepted in events where additional entries will not change the progression of an event.
- Crews interested in competing in an event that is full should place their desired entry on the “Waitlist” for that event. If space becomes available, crews will be notified via email through RegattaCentral. Crews will then have 48 hours to submit their entry.
- Online late entries must be submitted via RegattaCentral until Friday, April 12, 2019.
- After Friday, April 12, 2019, late entries will only be accepted at the regatta site during Saturday, April 13, 2019 evening’s on-site registration.
- No late entries will be accepted after the close of on-site registration on Saturday, April 13, 2019.
- All late entries must be submitted with complete, visible line-ups, including the date of birth for each crew member and average age for the crew.

**Scratches:**

- Entries may be scratched without penalty until the end of the initial registration period on Sunday, March 31, 2019.
- Beginning Monday, April 1, 2019, no refunds will be given for entries that are scratched.
- E-mail notification will be accepted until the close of on-site registration on Saturday, April 13, 2019.
- A \$25.00 scratch fee will apply to all scratches made after the Coaches, Coxswains, and Blind Boats Meeting.
- Crews that fail to notify USRowing of a scratch at least one hour prior to the scheduled start time of the race in question may have the scratch fee assessed to the RegattaCentral account that submitted the entry.

**Lineup Changes:**

- **No lineup changes will be accepted via e-mail.**
- Lineup changes should be submitted via RegattaCentral until Thursday, April 11, 2019.
- After this date, RegattaCentral will close to allow for credential printing and “Express Lane” processing.
- RegattaCentral will re-open for last minute lineup changes on Friday, April 12, 2019, and remain open until 9:00pm on Saturday, April 13, 2019.
- After Saturday, April 13, 2019, all substitutions must be made by submitting a change form to the USRowing registration desk at the regatta site.

**On-Site Line-Up Changes:**

- Any line-up change required on Sunday, April 14, 2019 will be subject to a \$5 administrative fee for processing the request.
- Payment is due before a line-up change can be officially made.

**Competition Information:**

**Eligibility:**

- The West Coast Scholastic Championships is a championship event that is open to qualified crews of any public or private school given to the education of youth. Students must be working toward a diploma.

**Affiliation:**

- Clubs may enter crews that are a subset of their teams, however. For instance, if “Fullerton Rowing Club” could make a crew composed entirely of students from Fullerton H.S., they could enter as Fullerton Rowing Club, and provide a letter from the school Headmaster or Principal signifying that the roster of the boat is indeed students from Fullerton High School. A copy of the student’s freshmen IDs will be sufficient to prove freshmen status for those events. Neither composite teams, nor rowers representing more than one public school district will be allowed to compete.
- A competitor shall represent only one organization at a regatta.

**Composite Entries:**

- Composite entries are not allowed to compete at this event.

**Qualifying Instructions for the SRAA National Championships:**

- The West Coast Scholastic Championships will be allotted one (1) slot for boys & girls in each of the following events:

Varsity 8+	Second Varsity 8+	Junior 8+	Lightweight 8+	Freshman 8+
Varsity 4+		Junior 4+	Lightweight 4+	
Varsity 4x		Junior 4x	Lightweight 4x	Freshman 4x
Varsity 2x		Junior 2x	Lightweight 2x	
Varsity 1x				

- Second Varsity boats will only be allowed **if** the Varsity 8 Qualifies and registers. Your second boat must qualify as well. Any slot that is not claimed by the first place boat in each event will revert back to the SRAA open slot pool.
- Junior events are restricted to competitors in the 11th grade (Junior year) or lower.
- Juniors, including coxswains, must not have attained the age of 18 years prior to September 1st of that academic year.
- 12th grade (Senior) students shall not compete in junior events.

**SRAA National Championships Athletic Eligibility Limitation**

1. Eligibility is assigned to students in their freshman through senior year (grades 9 through 12).
2. Each athlete has four consecutive years (eight consecutive semesters) of eligibility beginning in September of their freshman year (9th grade).
3. A rower or coxswain cannot have reached his or her 19th birthday prior to September 1st of that academic year.
4. After eight consecutive semesters, a student will have completed his/her athletic eligibility and may no longer participate in the SRAA® Regatta.
5. The eight consecutive semester rule begins with the student’s initial enrollment in the 9th grade.
6. Post Graduates or (Canadian/US) fifth year students are not permitted.
7. Lightweight rowers must have submitted online the lightweight documentation to be eligible to compete.

## Rules:

- USRowing's 2019 Rules of Rowing will govern this event.
- An online version is available at <http://www.usrowing.org/rules-of-rowing/>
- USRowing licensed referees will officiate the event to ensure fairness and safety.
- The following rules will be waived for this event:
  - Rule 3-104 Minimum Weight of Boats
  - Rule 3.202 Oars, uniform throughout the crew

## Weigh-Ins:

### Lightweights:

- Competitors shall be weighed in racing uniform without shoes or other footgear. Credentials must be presented prior to weigh-in procedures.
- The weight of rowers in lightweight events shall be determined once each day during either the Weigh-in Window or the Adjusted Weigh-in Window, but not both, provided that the weigh in occurs on the same day and before the Scheduled Time of the Race.
- **A Rower within one (1.0) pound or less of the weight standard is allowed one (1) re-weigh within the same window as his or her initial opportunity. A Rower whose initial weight is greater than one (1) pound above the weight standard will be ineligible to compete in the Event.**
- The Weigh-in Window opens two (2) hours and closes one (1) hour before the Scheduled Time of the Race (not the Event) where the weight is relevant.
- If the race schedule is officially altered, an Adjusted Weigh-in Window opens two (2) hours and closes one (1) hour before the newly Scheduled Time of the Race.
- Competitors who fail to weigh in during the Weigh-in Window or the Adjusted Weigh-in Window shall be deemed ineligible to race.
- "Adjusted Weigh-in Window" -- Should the regatta organizers or race officials adjust or alter the racing schedule for compelling reasons, changing the amount of time between the Weigh-in Window and the newly Scheduled Time of the Race, an "Adjusted Weigh-in Window" shall be created. The Adjusted Weigh-in Window shall be not more than two (2) hours and no less than one (1) hour before the newly Scheduled Time of the Race.
- **Normally occurring regatta delays do not create an "Adjusted Weigh-in Window". Only official schedule changes which are posted by regatta officials.**

### Lightweight Men:

Max 160 lbs. (no average)

### Lightweight Women:

Max 130 lbs. (no average)

### Coxswains:

- Coxswains will be weighed in once during the regatta. Coxswains will be able to weigh in any time after they register and pick up their credential, but must weigh in no later than one hour prior to their first race of the regatta.

- The weigh-in must be observed and conducted by a referee in order for it to be official, and the referee will issue the appropriate wristband indicating that a competitor has completed an official weigh-in. Official hours for coxswain weigh-ins will be posted in the Confirmation packet, distributed after the online registration deadline.
- In the event a coxswain is weighed less than one hour prior to their first race of the regatta, as described above, but before the first race in which the weight is relevant, the coxswain may be subject to a penalty at the discretion of the Referee, the presumed penalty is a Warning.
- Failure to weigh-in prior to the first race in which the weight is relevant shall constitute a violation of Rule 4-105.1 and result in the coxswain being deemed ineligible to race.
- Coxswains shall be weighed in racing uniform, without shoes or other footgear.
- Credentials must be presented prior to the weigh-in procedure.
- Coxswains failing to meet the minimum weight standards listed below shall carry deadweight in order to achieve the minimum weight in accordance with the 2017 USRowing Rules of Rowing.
- Weighted vests cannot be worn as deadweight.
- **Coxswains must provide their own weight making materials. The LOC will not provide these supplies.**

Coxswain for Men’s and Mixed Events

Minimum 120 lbs

Coxswain for Women’s Event

Minimum 110 lbs

All equipment used in competition must meet the USRowing Rules of Rowing requirements for equipment, with the exception of the waived rule listed above. Each organization is responsible for ensuring that its equipment meets these standards.

Crews must provide their own bow balls. Bow balls must meet the requirements set forth in the USRowing Rules of Rowing.

Bow numbers will be provided to crews when they pass through Control Commission to launch for racing sessions. Bow numbers must be properly affixed to the shell in order for a crew to be allowed onto the race course.

Any equipment not meeting these standards, or judged to be unsafe by a USRowing official, will not be allowed onto the water.

**Outside Assistance:**

- Crews are reminded that they are not to receive outside assistance during a race except from the unaided voice. Crew may have a cellular device to use for emergencies and should not use it during the race.

**Inclement Weather Policy:**



- The Chief Referee, USRowing, and the LOC will work together to monitor the weather continuously during the event.
- Should it be determined that schedule changes are necessary due to weather concerns, the following weather plan will be utilized:
- **Communication Plan:**
  - Weather-related schedule changes will be announced utilizing the following media.
    - Posted on the results board at the regatta site.
    - Announced over the on-site sound system.
    - Posted online via Twitter, Facebook, RegattaCentral, and the event website.
    - Via text message. Coaches and athletes can register to receive weather related text messages by texting “USRowing” to 313131. This service will only be used for weather related messages.
- Teams are responsible for staying updated on announced schedule changes.
- Please direct any questions about schedule changes to USRowing at the registration area.
- **Schedule Changes will be made with the following priorities:**
  - Delay racing later the same day, if time is available. This may include removing breaks in the schedule and reducing race centers between race times.
  - Begin racing earlier than previously announced. Announcement will be made no later than 3 hours before racing or 9:00 p.m. the evening before in the case of morning racing.
  - Combine events within the same boat class, but across age categories, keeping the sprint racing format.
  - Omit a round of the event. If finals must be omitted, medals will be awarded based on the times of the last completed round of the event. Medals would go to the top 3 times in each event, adjusted for the applicable handicap in their race.
  - Cancel some races, with priority given to events that have not run a round of racing to remain on the schedule.

- Cancel regatta.
- At any point, race centers may be shortened in order to try to accommodate as many races as possible.
- Under no circumstances will races be run after Final Day of Competition, Sunday, April 14, 2019.

**Medals:**

- Gold, silver, and bronze medals shall be awarded regardless of the number of entries in the event.
- Medals shall be awarded for first, second, and third place crews in the Final for each event.

**Venue Information:**

**Venue:** Lake Perris State Recreation Area

**Location:**

17801 Lake Perris Drive  
Perris, CA 92571

**Directions:**

- The recreation area is located 11 miles south of Riverside via Highway 60 or I 215.
- From the 60 freeway east, exit Moreno Beach Dr. Go right (R) to Via Del Lago and make a left (L). Via Del Lago will come straight into the park at the Moreno Valley Entrance.
- From the 215 south, exit Ramona Expressway and go left (L), to Lake Perris Drive (do not confuse with Perris Blvd), make another left (L). This brings you straight to the Perris Entrance.
- If you are coming from south of the Recreation Area then you will need to come up the 215 north, exit the Ramona Expressway and make a right (R) to Lake Perris Drive (do not confuse with Perris Blvd) and make a left (L). This brings you to the Perris Entrance.

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