

# AMERICAN HERITAGE ENTRY FORM

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**Please Go To**

**Regatta Central @ [www.regattacentral.com](http://www.regattacentral.com)**

**For Registration**

**Entries and Payment:**

**1x = \$25 2x = \$35 4x = \$50 8x = \$65**

**Entries Due Monday October 26, 2009**

**Please Enter and Pay Through Regatta Central**

**Make Checks Payable to: Wyandotte Boat Club**

**Send entries to Tim Cote/ 1 Pine St/Wyandotte, MI 48192**

**313-399-3388 –No Calls after 9:00 pm**

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS      November 1, 2009

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Check In & Weigh In	6:00 am to 8:00 am
Welcome (Mayor of Wyandotte) (Club Pres.)	7:00 am
Coaches & Coxswains Meeting	7:05 am
National Anthems	7:30 am
First Call	7:45 am
First Launch	8:00 am
Event No	Start Time
1 Mixed 8 +	8:30 am
2 Men's Collegiate 2 –	
3 Men's Open 2 –	
4 Women's Collegiate 2 –	
5 Women's Open 2 –	
6 Mixed Masters 8	
7 Junior Men's Novice 8+	
7 Junior Women's Novice 8+	
9 Masters Men's 1X	
10 Collegiate Lightweight Women's 4+	
11 Open Lightweight Women's 4+	
12 Junior Women's 4+	
13 Masters Women's 4+	
14 Collegiate Novice Men's 8+	
15 Collegiate Lightweight Men's 4+	
16 Open Lightweight Men's 4+	
17 Masters Women's 1X	
18 Open Women's 2X	
19 Collegiate Women's 4+	
20 Women's Open 4+	
21 Collegiate Women's Novice 8+	
22 Masters Men's 4+	
23 Open Men's 1X	
24 Masters Women's 2X	
25 Junior Men's 8+	
26 Collegiate Men's 4+	
27 Open Men's 4+	
28 Junior Women's 8+	
29 Novice Women's 4	
30 Junior Women's Novice 4	
31 Open Men's 2X	
32 Collegiate Lightweight Men's 8+	
33 Open Men's Lightweight 8+	
34 Men's Masters 2x	
35 Men's Collegiate 2x	
36 Men's Junior 4+	
37 Women's Open 1x	
38 Collegiate Women's 8+	
39 Women's Open 8+	
40 Men's Novice 4	
41 Junior Men's Novice 4	
42 Collegiate Men's 8+	
43 Open Men's 8+	
44 Men's Masters 8+	
45 Women's Collegiate Light Wt. 8+	
46 Women's Open Light Wt 8+	

47 Women's Masters 8+

48 Awards Ceremony

## **INFORMATION Page 1**

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### **American Heritage River Fall Classic Regatta Information**

**Welcome** to the Wyandotte Boat Club on the scenic shores of the Detroit River for the 8th Annual **American Heritage River Fall Classic**. We hope to make your rowing experience an enjoyable one. Please read carefully the information in this packet and if you have any questions or problems we are only a phone call or e-mail away.

#### **Race Registration/Entries**

To be considered complete, all registrations must be received by October 26, 2009. All entries must include payment and a complete entry form for each event through Regatta Central. On-line entries will not be permitted after October 26, 2009. Registration, Entry and Payment accepted by credit card through Regatta Central. Registration is on-line at [www.wyandotteboatclub.com](http://www.wyandotteboatclub.com) or

<http://www.regattacentral.com/index.jsp?section=overview&tab=regattas>

#### **Waivers**

Signed Rowing Release and Waiver forms must be submitted by race day for every rower. Any rower without a Release and Waiver form will not be permitted to race. A waiver form is provided later in this packet or at Regatta Central.

**Entry Fees** Singles: \$25 - Doubles: \$35 - Fours: \$50 - Eights: \$65.00

\*late entries after October 26, 2009 will be double the fee and will not fall under the cap.

All entrants encouraged to pay through Regatta Central

#### **Contact Information**

American Heritage River Fall Classic

c/o Tim Cote

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On the Web: [www.wyandotteboatclub.com](http://www.wyandotteboatclub.com)

**Race Day** Sunday, November 1, 2009

#### **Parking/Boat & Trailer Storage**

You will be directed to areas for unloading storage and parking upon arrival.

Overnight storage with security will be provided after 5:00 pm on Saturday, October 31st

#### **Check-In**

Check-in begins Saturday Night between 5pm and 7 pm; Sunday morning at 6:00 a.m. All scullers and crew representatives must check in, sign out race packets, submit signed Waivers and pay any balance due on entries.

Additional entries will be accepted at this time for double the entry fee.

**Practice will be allowed on Saturday, October 31st from 2 to 5 pm.**

**Safety boats will be on the water to guide crews and are mandatory.**

#### **Coaches/Coxswains/Scullers Meetings**

The coaches, coxswains and scullers meeting will begin at 7:05 a.m. in the north Bay of the Club House. Attendance by coxswains and scullers is **mandatory**.

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### **Lightweight Weigh-ins**

Lightweight crews must weigh-in before their race as a crew in the erg room at the Wyandotte Boat Club. The scales will be open 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Saturday, October 31st and 6:30 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. Sunday November 1st. Crews should wear race attire (shirt and shorts or unisuit, plus socks). Rowers need weigh-in only once even if racing in more than one event. **No coxie weigh-ins.**

### **Identification**

All rowers must have available, if asked, identification proving **date of birth.**

**Bow Numbers** Bow numbers will be included in our packet. Bow numbers must be returned at the conclusion of racing to the Dock Master. All Shells must have bow clips.

**Bow and Bib numbers will be provided. Bib numbers shall be displayed on the back of the Bow rower.**

### **Boat Safety**

Boat heel tie-downs will be checked before crews will be allowed to launch. You must have less than three inches or you will not be allowed to race. Boats must be equipped with a bow ball.

### **Hot Seating**

Attempts to "Hot Seat" will be at your own risk. It is the crews responsibility to be at the starting line on time. Dock Masters decision is final.

### **USRA Rules**

USRA rules of racing will govern in all situations, except as specifically provided in these rules. All protests must be filed at the Registration Desk and a fee of \$35 must be paid at the time of filing. The protest must be lodged within 30 minutes of finish time. Course Rules will be included in your registration packet.

### **Classes**

**Novice**-is defined as any oarsman or oarswoman who has started after January 1, 2009.

**Junior**-competitors who in the current calendar year will not attain the age of 19, or who are and have been continuously enrolled in secondary school as full time students seeking a diploma.

**Masters**-must be 27 years or older as of December 31, 2009.

**Lightweight**-Individual Male rowers must weigh less than 160 pounds. Female rowers must weight less than 135 pounds.

**Open**-Races open to all competitors of the same sex.

**Collegiate**-Open only to college crews.

**Mixed**-Must be comprised of no more than 50% male rowers.

**Handicapping** Masters races will be handicapped. Competitors/crews who have entered masters races and who have not provided their ages or entry forms will not have their Handicaps calculated. Handicaps will be computed using a 4.0 multiplier based upon a 2.5 mile course length.

### **Medals/Trophies**

Medals will be awarded to the top three finishers in each race when race results are confirmed and official. Special trophies will be awarded as well. Please refer to the program for further details.

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## **Traffic & Racing Pattern**

### **Traffic to the Starting Line:**

Upon leaving the launching docks proceed upriver (north) until you have passed the northernmost marked buoy. Upon passing the buoy turn toward the eastern bank of the river (the WBC is on the west bank of the river). Proceed downriver (south) to the starting line and stay on the eastern side of the river. Crews going under the Grosse Ile Toll Bridge must use the two eastern most spans of the bridge. Once past the bridge stay on the eastern side of the river and do not cross the river until you have reached the starting line.

### **Marshalling Area & Starting Line:**

The starting line is at the north end of the Dock at McLouth Steel (approximately  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile down river of the bridge). The marshals will direct the traffic approaching the starting line. Please obey all commands from the marshals.

Crews will be lined up by bow numbers approximately  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile south of the starting line. Proceed to the starting line per the marshal's directions.

### **Starting:**

Follow the commands from the starter. Crews will be started with a running start at approximately 15 second intervals.

Crews late to the start line may be assessed a 30 second penalty.

### **Returning to the Dock:**

Upon completion of racing do not stop after crossing the finish line. Proceed slowly upriver so crews still racing can complete the race without interference. Pay attention to the commands of the dock master. If there is an immediate opening on the dock the crew will be called to the dock. Outbound crews will have priority on the dock. If there is no space on the dock the crew will be directed to a holding pattern until an opening on the dock is available.

### **Racing Rules**

It is imperative that crews follow directions from the starter, marshals on the course and dock masters.

A crew that misses its correct order at the starting line may be penalized **30 seconds**. A crew that is not at the starting line at the prescribed time may be excluded from the race. There are a number of hazardous areas along the western shore(port side) of the race course; these areas will be marked with buoys. Stay to the eastern side of these buoys to avoid damage to shells or injury to rowers.

Racing crews must use either the 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> spans of the Grosse Ile toll bridge (from the western side of the river).

In areas of the race course excluding the Grosse Ile toll bridge crews are free to use any water on the western side of the river.

Crews being overtaken by a faster crew must yield to the faster crew. A crew is deemed to be overtaking another crew when it has moved within 1 length of open water of the crew ahead. Any crew being overtaken must move away from the western shore of the river and allow the faster crew the right of way. A crew that does not yield the right of way shall receive a **30 second penalty**.

A horn will sound as each crew passes the finish line.