



Club News



Jeff Orto: Inductee into Riverview's Sports Hall of Fame



On Friday, March 18th, Jeff Orto will be inducted into Riverview's Hall of Fame at Arnaldo's Banquet Center in recognition of Jeff's dedication, leadership and support of Riverview athletics; the sport of rowing; and involvement within the community.

The event begins at 6:00pm and all proceeds will go to student scholarships. If interested, please contact Don Ukrainec @ 734.552. 2663 for additional information.

High School Rowing



Congratulations to all rowers who participated in the Island Sprints. Results can be found at the following link:

http://girowing.com/island_sprints.htm

Regatta Schedule

Hebda Memorial Challenge Cup Regatta - Saturday, April 30, @ WBC

Wy-Hi Regatta - Saturday, May 7th @ WBC

Midwest Scholastic Rowing Championships - May 14-15, Lake Harsha, Ohio

SRAM Scholastic State Championship Regatta - May 28, Grand Rapids, MI

Stotesbury Cup Regatta - May 20-21, Philadelphia, PA

CSSRA Championships - June 3-5, Martindale Pond, St. Catharines, Ontario

Euchre Tournament Southgate Rowing Fundraiser Friday, April 1 @ WBC



Doors open @ 7:00 PM • Tournament starts @ 7:30PM
\$20 Entry Fee • Cash Bar with proceeds going to Sgate Crew • Cash Prizes for top 4 Winners • Snacks provided • 50-50 plus other raffles and door prizes

Tickets available in the WBC Lounge or contact Nick Stawoway at: nstawoway@gmail.com



WBC 's Annual High School Regattas

Save the Date



As the official start of Spring begins on Sunday, March 20, WBC is in the planning process for hosting two Regattas featuring High School rowing crews from both Michigan and Canada. The "Hebda Memorial Challenge Cup Regatta" is scheduled for Saturday, April 30th and the "Wy-Hi" Regatta is scheduled for the following Saturday on May 7th - two days of competitive racing on the Trenton Channel. Watch the action from BASF Park or get into the "action" by volunteering .

Contact Fred Mekolon @ fmekolonjr@yahoo.com for additional information about becoming a member of the "regatta crew". Re-connect with the sport and cheer for your favorite High School.





The "Finish Line" . . .

As the snow melts and temperatures rise - anticipation for being on the water heightens. For a rowing enthusiast in the North, "Spring" means that the docks are in the water and the physical conditioning throughout the Winter will be rewarded with the first row of the season. Then. . .the "real" work begins!

After hanging around the Boat House for many years, you hear stories of "come back" wins; "close ones"; tragic losses; near misses with bouys/bridges; flips; and un-rowable water. Some stories are relatively new while others span over decades and even a century. Awards, plaques and photos in the Lounge illustrate that for over 135 years, WBC has been making history. . . and this season - more memories will be created.

In celebration of new season of rowing, the next few issues will highlight a "race" as seen from a coxie's, rower's or coach's perspective. The idea is to re-visit history and generate excitement for racing.

Event: US Jr National Rowing Championship - 1986
Location: Indianapolis
Weather: Ideal
Coach: Tim Loszewski
Result: Gold Finish - Men's 8 (16 yr old)

Key Turning point: "When the crew came past the area where their coach and teammates were cheering for them (about 900 meters into the race), they began to emerge from last place. . .steadily gaining and taking each crew one at a time until the finish -- where they won by a few inches". - T. Loszewski

The victory marked the first time WBC has claimed such a 8-man event in junior competition. The crew included: Chris Tenerowicz, Steve Raftis, Jeff Taylor, Chris Worrrix, Dave Loechner, Jim Kennedy, Tim Gilhool, Shane Selvaggi and coxswain Chris Meller.
- News Herald, July 7, 1986.

A second Gold medal was awarded to a composite Jr. Quad that included WBC's Chris Anderson and three oarsmen + coxie from California.

If you have a story to share, please feel free to contact Mary Beth Jakubowski at mbjjake@wowway.com

Get WBC Gear from Sew Sporty



Wind jackets; hoodies; tech shirts; and hats are available at:

<http://www.power10sports.com/>

Lounge Events



St. Patrick's Day Thursday, March 17

Stop by the Lounge and cheer "St. Paddy" with Killian's Irish Red on tap or a pint of Guinness.

Kielbasa Making With Larry Stec



Saturday, April 16th
Noon - 4PM
Lunch, Draft Beer and
5lbs of take home Kielbasa
\$20.00

Reserve your spot by calling Judy
@ the Lounge 734.284.5560



Erg Room Update: Pick a color.

Donations are being sought for the purchase of paint to complete the graphic that is in the Erg Room. To "paint the oar" of your choice, please contact Nick Stawoway at:

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