

TEXAS CREW ERG RODEO GENERAL INFORMATION

Location

New Location! The Erg Rodeo will be held in the Gregory Gymnasium Arena at the University of Texas at Austin, located at 2101 Speedway, Austin. There is affordable parking available on the UT Campus (see: <http://www.utexas.edu/maps>).

Registration

Now Open! Please register at Regatta Central for the 2nd annual Erg Rodeo. The entry fee is \$10 online, before Wednesday, February 1, 2006 / \$15 (cash or check) at the door. We encourage online registration to simplify your entry. There will be no refunds once payment is received.

Schedule of Events

All events will take place on a bank of ten Concept2 Model D Ergometers. You may use the damper setting of your choice, but the setting may not be changed during the race. Thirty-two Concept2 Model C Ergometers will be available for warming up. All collegiate events will be run with the open events (see event restrictions: collegiate) and all women's events will be held first in each category.

7am: Race Day Registration, Check-In, and Weigh-In begins

8am: Event 1 Begins

Event 1- Open / Collegiate

- A. Novice Lightweight
- B. Novice Heavyweight
- C. Lightweight (Varsity)
- D. Heavyweight (Varsity)

about 12pm:

Event 2- Coxswains

Event 3- Masters

- A. Age 30-39
- B. Age 40-49
- C. Age 50-59
- D. Age 60-69
- E. Age 70+

about 1pm:

Event 4- Juniors

- A. Novice Lightweight
- B. Novice Heavyweight
- C. Lightweight
- D. Heavyweight

about 2pm:

Event 5- Mixed Open 8+ Relays

All individual events are 2000 meters and all times listed are approximate. In events requiring multiple heats, we will attempt to group competitors from slowest to fastest, in ascending order, based on entry-form predicted times. All competitors will pull only once and racing should conclude no later than 3:30pm. Please plan to arrive at least an hour before your event so that check-in, warm-ups, and racing can all run smoothly. There will be two calls for the start of each heat: a 20 minute warning followed by a 10 minute warning.

Event Restrictions

Class Divisions:

- +**Novice Events** are restricted to first-year rowers
- +**Collegiate Events** are restricted to entrants from US colleges. Prizes will be awarded to top collegiate rowers in each open division (1A-1D) with the winners eligible to win the overall divisional awards as well.
- +**Lightweight Events** (165 lbs or less for men; 135 lbs or less for women) are restricted to competitors who have verified their weight on race day at the Weigh-In table beginning at 7am.
- +**Coxswain Event** participants must be primarily a coxswain (be honest!). There are no age or weight restrictions.
- +**Junior Events** are restricted to competitors enrolled in high school (or lower grade) as of race day.
- +**Open Events** have no age restrictions and will include collegiate events
- +**Masters Events** participants are restricted to entering the appropriate age category.

Weigh-In For Lightweights:

Lightweights must weigh-in on race day at least one hour before their scheduled start time. Competitors who do not make weight will be placed in the appropriate heavyweight category.

Food and Apparel:

Various food stuffs and Texas Crew apparel will be available for purchase at the event. All purchases will be limited to cash or check only; sorry but no credit cards!

Awards and Prizes:

- +**The Coveted Trophy Buckles** will be awarded to the male and female winners in the following events: Events 1A-1D, Event 2 Overall, Event 3 Overall, and Event 4 Overall. In total, 14 Erg Rodeo Trophy Buckles will be handed out to winners of this year's rodeo.
- +**Medals** will be awarded to winners in every event class (age and/or weight).
- +**A Traveling Trophy** will be awarded to the winners of the Mixed Open 8+ Relay.

Relays:

Relays will be 8500 meters in distance, with 8 rowers responsible for 1000 meters each and 1 coxswain rowing 500 meters. Each team will use one ergometer and a total time will be taken (including rower switches). Participation is free to anyone entered in other Erg Rodeo events. There are no age or weight limits, however a true coxswain is required. Teams must have 9 members: 8 rowers (at least 4 of whom must be women) and 1 coxswain.

Contact:

Any questions should be directed to ergrodeo@gmail.com.

Interpretation of Rules:

The meaning and application of this information will be determined solely by the Erg Rodeo Planning Committee and all decisions will be final. Schedules will be updated, as needed, based on entries.