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**The 2009 Portland Fall Classic
5000 meters Willamette River
Portland Oregon
October 25, 2009**

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Distance: 5000 meters

Location: Downtown Portland's Eastbank Esplanade, launching from the Portland Boathouse at 1515 SE Water St. It's at the east end of the Hawthorne Bridge.

Entry Deadline and Fees: Entries will be processed via RegattaCentral.com. The entry deadline is October 19 at midnight. Entry fees are \$80/eight, \$40/four and \$20 for doubles.

Schedule: There will be three flights for this race, at 8:30am, 10:45am and 1pm. Boats and coxswains may be used in each flight. **Rowers may only race once.** Boats will start at 15 second intervals. An updated schedule will be posted on RegattaCentral after the entry window closes, showing precise race times. Each boat launching from Portland Boathouse will also be assigned a launch time, which must be strictly followed to avoid congestion.

Race Course: The course runs north along the Willamette River in downtown Portland. A bike path runs along the entire course. There is a S turn in the first 1000 meters. Crews will pass under five bridges during the race. The final 500 meters is alongside a floating platform, where spectators will be standing 25 feet from the crews. A course map is available on RegattaCentral. Course rules, tips and a guided tour of the course with photos of bridges will be posted on RegattaCentral prior to the race. Coxes are encouraged to review this information. A video tour of the course is posted on YouTube. Find the link on our RegattaCentral page.

Launching: Launching and landing will be from the Portland Boathouse dock or from Oaks Park. Launch times will be assigned to each crew. Launching site will be assigned.

Packet Pickup: Pick up your packet and bow number starting at 6:00am on the day of the race at Portland Boathouse. Please be sure all USRowing waivers have been accounted for before you pick up your packets.

Awards: Medals to all first place finishers.

Vendors and Shirts: Regatta T Shirts will be available. There's a coffee shop at Portland Boathouse, which also serves food. There will be several food vendors at the race site. See our RegattaCentral page for updates on vendors.

Pre-Race Meeting: 6:45am on race day at Portland Boathouse. Course map, rules and tips are all posted on Regatta Central. Coxes should review the race course tour document on RegattaCentral prior to attending the meeting.

Parking: Trailer parking is available at the PCC parking lot opposite the Portland Boathouse beginning Saturday afternoon October 24. Space is limited, so trailer drivers are asked to follow parking instructions when they arrive on site to maximize capacity. There is ample street parking for participants within a few blocks of Portland Boathouse. Team buses will be directed to a designated parking lot. Check our RegattaCentral page for more specific parking information closer to race day. Please inform race organizers if you are bringing a trailer to the Portland Boathouse site.

USRowing Information: The Portland Fall Classic is a *USRowing* registered regatta. *USRowing* Rules of Rowing will apply and *USRowing* officials will officiate.

USRowing waivers: *USRowing* individual members with electronic waivers on file do not need to sign a waiver. Non-*USRowing* individual members may race, but they must be a member of a *USRowing* member organization and should complete an electronic waiver through RegattaCentral or a paper waiver to be turned in on race morning.

Juniors: All high school rowers are limited to the “junior” category, to avoid violations of NCAA regulations. Junior 8+’s and 4+’s will be divided into Varsity, JV and 3V events if enough programs enter multiple boats.

Colleges: All college/university boats should be entered in “Open” categories. Varsity, JV and 3V events will be created if enough programs enter multiple boats. Also, D1/D3/Club programs will be placed in separate events if enough programs enter boats.

Definitions:

Master—all rowers 21 or older, excluding coxswains. Boats must average 27.

Mixed—50% men and 50% women, excepting coxswains

Open—no junior rowers, as per NCAA rules.

Junior—all rowers still in high school.

Novice—new to rowing as of June 2009.

Contacts:

Check our RegattaCentral page for updates and news about the race. If you can’t find answers there, see below.

For questions about entries, schedule, course and trailer parking email Peter Edwards at pdxpje@comcast.net

For vendor information, contact Penny Luong at penny.luong@comcast.net

Entry Fees: Eights \$80, Fours \$40, Doubles \$20. Pay via Regatta Central.

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