

Welcome to the 2025 WRA Annual Meeting



WRA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Scribe (non-voting)

Those who have left the board this past year.

Melissa Bertocchini, Bob Diehl

We are so grateful for their time and dedicated service.

WRA COACHES

Courtney Moeller
Director

Molly Mastrorilli:
Head Junior Coach

Sydney Bichsel:
Juniors / Middle School

Tessa Patterson:
Juniors/Masters

Sam Breedlove:
Juniors / Masters

Hugo Pizarro:
Masters

Owen Sykes:
Masters

Mission and Vision

Mission

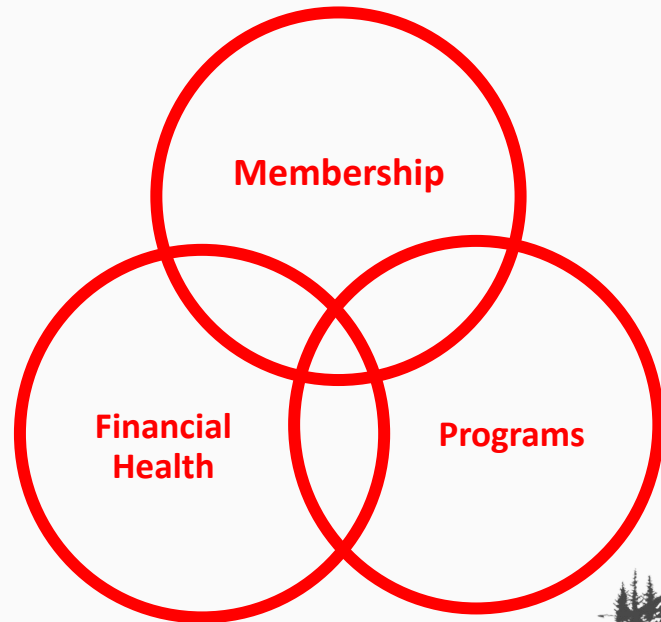
The Whatcom Rowing Association provides youth and adults the skills and joys that rowing uniquely offers.

Vision

A diverse and inclusive WRA that creates a welcoming, active club with a deep sense of community among rowers, staff, coaches, parents, and supporters.

Five-Year Goals

- **Grow participation** by retaining existing rowers and recruiting new rowers.
- **Expand, improve & diversify programs** so that both competitive and recreational aspects thrive.
- **Build and sustain** a financially healthy organization.



WRA to Collegiate Student Athlete

Schuyler	Wigen		2013	Washington State University	one season?	
Annalee	Holmdahl	Lynden		Wesleyan University	2014-2017	1st at HOCR 2016
Emma	Bennett	Bellingham	2015	University of Washington	Fall 2015-Spring 2016	
Roxy	Kulm	Bellingham	2015	Humbolt	2016-2018	
Susie	Bennett	Bellingham	2017	University of Washington	Fall 2017	
Haley	Stoker	Sehome	2019	University of Washington	2019-2023	
Myah	McKinley	Sehome	2019	WWU	Fall 2019-Winter 2020	
Emily	Parker	Squalicum	2019	WWU	Fall 2019-Winter 2020	
Keyna	Swoosh (Holleman)	Lynden	2019	UCO	2020-2024	Won NCAA Championship 2021 V8+, runner up in 2023
Eliza	Perry	Sehome	2021	University of Washington	2022-present	Raced at HOCR 2023
Eli	Bunn	Sehome	2022	Gonzaga	2023-present	
Josiah	Chakra	Sehome	2022	University of Southern California	2023	
Kiefer	Law	Sehome	2022	University of Washington	2023-present	
Ben	Nixon	Sehome	2022	Seattle University	2023-present	
Izzy	Peters	Squalicum		University of Washington	2023-present	
Quin	Marston	Sehome	2023	WWU	2024	

Whatcom Rowing Association 2025 Program Calendar

Date	Day	Time	Event	Location	Description	Participants
TBD	TBD	TBD	Jr. Parent Meeting	Witte Home	Talk and Discuss Spring 2025	Junior Families
2/10/2025	Monday	6:15pm Row, 7:30pm Social	Monday Mixer	WRA Boathouse / Westside Pizza	All Club Row and Social	ALL
2/17/2025	Monday	ALL DAY	President's Day	NO PRACTICE	NO PRACTICE	ALL
3/8/2025	Saturday	7am-10am	Spring Scramble	WRA Boathouse	Internal Scrimmage	ALL
3/14/2025	Friday	4:00-6:00 PM	Purple Friday	NO PRACTICE	NO PRACTICE	Juniors
4/5/2025	Saturday	ALL DAY	Spring Sprints	Lake Stevens, WA	1K Sprint	Juniors
4/6/2025	Sunday	ALL DAY	Spring Sprints	Lake Stevens, WA	1K Sprint	Masters
4/14/2025	Monday	6:15pm Row, 7:30pm Social	Monday Mixer	WRA Boathouse / Westside Pizza	All Club Row and Social	ALL
5/12/2025	Monday	6:15pm Row, 7:30pm Social	Monday Mixer	WRA Boathouse / Westside Pizza	All Club Row and Social	Masters
5/15-5/18	Thursday - Sunday	ALL DAY	NW Jr. Regional Regatta	Vancouver Lake, WA	2K Regional Championship	Juniors
5/19/25	Monday	4:00-6:00 PM	Spring Juniors End	WRA Boathouse	Last Day of Spring Season	Juniors
5/27/2024	Monday	ALL DAY	Memorial Day	NO PRACTICE	NO PRACTICE	ALL
Early June	TBD	TBD	Junior Banquet	WRA Boathouse	End of Season Banquet	Juniors and Families
6.7.2025	Saturday	TBD	National Learn to Row Day	WRA Boathouse	Brief Intro to Rowing	Interested Rowers
6/9/2025	Monday	6:15pm Row, 7:30pm Social	Monday Mixer	WRA Boathouse / Westside Pizza	All Club Row and Social	ALL
8/2/2025	Saturday	ALL DAY	Summer Extravaganza	Green Lake	1,000m Sprint	ALL
10/5/2025	Sunday	ALL DAY	Tail of the Lake	Lake Union	4K Head Race	ALL
10/26/2025	Sunday	ALL DAY	Head of the Bull Trout	Lake Stevens	5K Head Race	ALL
11/2/2025	Sunday	ALL DAY	Head of the Lake	University of Washington	5K Head Race	Select Jr. & Mst.
POTENTIAL SPRING CALENDAR ADDITIONS NOT YET FINALIZED						
TBD	Saturday	TBD	Renton or BIRC Scrimmage	TBD	TBD	TBD
TBD	Saturday	TBD	NCC Scrimmage	TBD	TBD	TBD

2024 FINANCIAL REVIEW

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WRA Cash Position (Dec 31, 2024)			
		2024	2023
Working Capital		7710	5793
Operational Reserve		16012	7955
Scholarship Reserve		5908	10084
Equipment Reserve		566	2035
Erg Ed Reserve		1138	1217
TOTAL ON DEPOSIT		31334	27084

2024 FUNDRAISING REVIEW

WRA Fundraising	2024	2023
Events	1628	4350
Memorial Bob Diehl	1450	--
Other Donations	15620	5270
Total	18698	9620

2025 FUNDRAISING GOALS



MEMBERSHIP / SOCIAL COMMITTEE

2025 GOALS & PLANS

MEMBERSHIP

- ❖ External Outreach
 - Recruiting events
 - Past member survey
 - Advertising
- ❖ Internal
 - Current member survey
 - Swag / Merch
 - Other perks?

SOCIAL: It's all about fun!

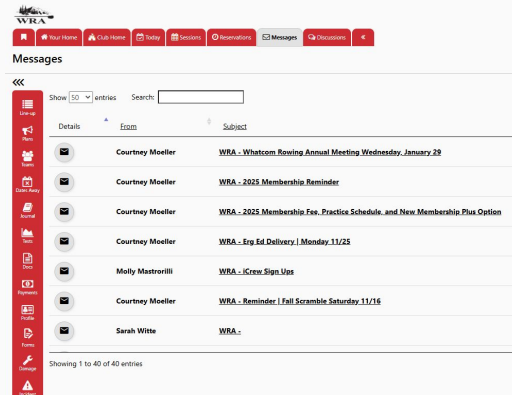
- ❖ Monday Mixers - 2nd Mondays
- ❖ Whatcom Scrambles (Spring and Fall)
- ❖ Special Events

COMMUNICATIONS

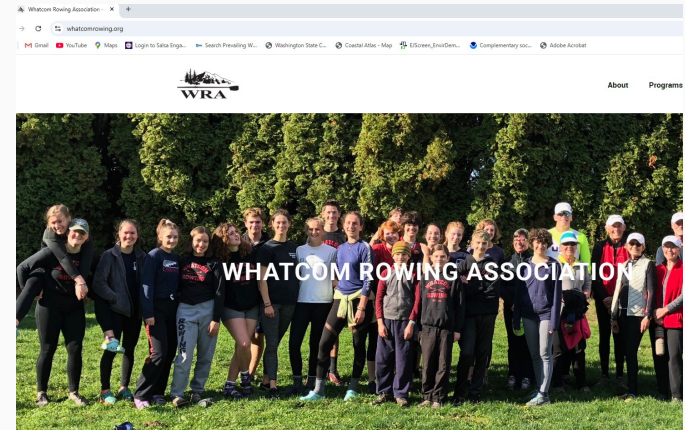
Newsletters



iCREW



WRA Website



Whatcom Rowing Mission Statement

2024 Equipment, Supplies, and In-Kind Donations

BOATS

- ☐ **Filippi Straight 4: Mike Snyder (cost-share)**
- ☐ **Pocock 2X: Melissa Bertocchini & Sandy Poliachik (2023)**
- ☐ **WinTech 1X: Conni Diehl**

SUPPLIES

- ☐ **Survival Suits: Betsy Wessler**
- ☐ **Speed Coach: Melissa Bertocchini & Sandy Poliachik**

EQUIPMENT REPAIR & UPKEEP

Special thanks to Zop for fixing the rolling racks, independent boat racks, and numerous other behind the scenes things!

iCREW



Club
Store



Scheduling
Assistant



Damage
Report



Incident
Report



Boathouse
Weather



On-the-Water
Log



Get Email
Addresses



Admins &
Coaches List



Change Shell
Rigging



Club
Roster



Notification
Center



Shell
List



Oars
List



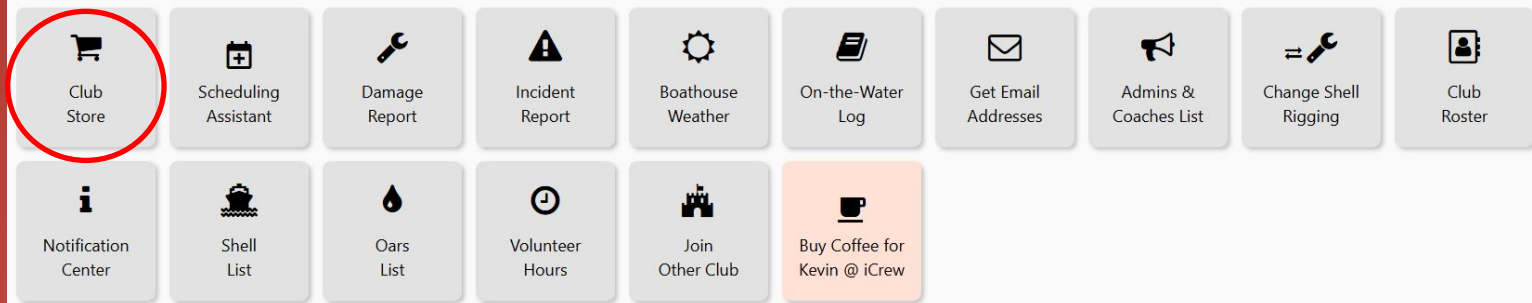
Volunteer
Hours



Join
Other Club



Buy Coffee for
Kevin @ iCrew



Fee Items

☞ [Adult Rower](#)

☞ [Youth Rower](#)

Documents

WRA Member Handbook

The Membership Handbook covers the Who, What, Where, Why, and When of Whatcom Rowing Association.

*This version was updated January 2024

[View document](#)

Adult Rower

2025 - Saturday Clinic

\$50.00

4-week clinic offered on Saturday mornings with a technical focus. Open to all members who have completed LTR 2 and above. Clinic focus may vary throughout the year.

[Pay now...](#)

2025 Adult Program

\$140.00

Our adult programs range from coaches classes to independent rowing opportunities and are open to adults ages 18+. The experience rowing classes are intended for those that have previous rowing experience or for those that have completed Learn to Row 1 and 2 with coaches' permission

- **Masters Schedule -**
 - **Mid-Morning**
 - 8:00-9:30 AM
 - Monday & Wednesday, Saturday (07:30-09:30)
 - February 3 - March 1

2025 Junior Winter Conditioning

\$140.00

January 7 - January 30

- **Juniors Land Schedule -**
 - 4:30-6:00 PM Tuesday & Thursday
- **Junior and Masters Row -**
 - Saturday 7:30-9:30 AM on the water as weather allows.

[Pay now...](#)

2025 Spring Junior Rowing Team

\$1,575.00

Our Youth programs are focused on specialized skill development and long term success in the sport. We offer developmentally appropriate competitive opportunities for Experienced athletes, as well as resources and support for athletes interested in collegiate participation. We believe in a process-oriented approach to help our athletes of all skill and ability levels improve every single day.





- 📖
- 🏠 Your Home
- 🏠 Club Home
- 📅 Today
- 📅 Sessions
- 📅 Reservations
- ✉ Messages
- 💬 Discussions
- ⏪

Whatcom Rowing Association Home Page



Registration Options

Questions? All registration questions can be directed to Director@whatcomrowing.org.

Adult Rower

WRA Annual Membership - The Whatcom Rowing Association is a nonprofit, community-based rowing club that has served Whatcom County since 2011. We are dedicated to offering individuals of all ages the opportunity to learn the sport of rowing in a safe, fun and beautiful environment. We offer a variety of programs for all age groups and experience levels. Whether you have previous experience or have never touched an oar we have something for you. WRA Annual Membership is required for all adult rowers after the completion of Learn to Row 2 and is priced on an annual basis from January 1 – December 31.

📅 Register

Parent of Rower

Youth Parent - An adult login account for parents of youth athletes. After you log in, you can create child profiles (under "Your Account") and select programs.

📅 Register

Other Options

Coaches - Coaches registration profile

📅 Register

Boathouse Hours

🏠 Club Teams / Groups

📄 Documents & Related Links

View Session Line-ups

Masters



Session title

Practice

Date/Time/Location

Monday 01-27 from 8:00am to 9:30am @ Boathouse

Attendee Count

3

Attending?



📢 Session Coach assignments

Tessa Patterson - tessa.patterson@whatcomrowing.org 3609011935

Team Captains

Sue Hyndman (susanhh@comcast.net)

Related links

[Previous session](#) [Next session](#)

Last Coxed Information

(sessions attended goes back up to one year)

Get last coxed info

Journal entry



Note to coach (no emoji characters)

☐ Note is visible to all

Save Note

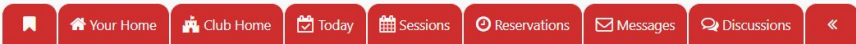
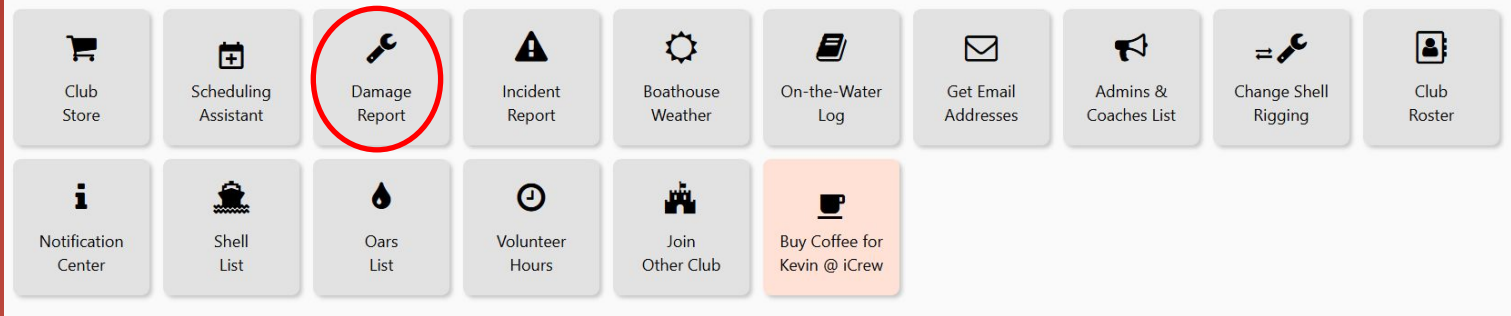
Rowers (tap for contact info)

Diane T

Kelly K

Sarah W

WHATCOM ROWING



New Damage Report

☰ Other options... ▾

NOTE: To log a safety-related incident, tap on **Other options**, then **New incident report**.

Enter the equipment damage report information, then tap the **Save** button.



(tap this icon to upload an image)

Equipment type

Select equipment type... ▾

Item

Select an item... ▾

Date reported

01/26/2025

Description of damage or issue

Location of damage or issue

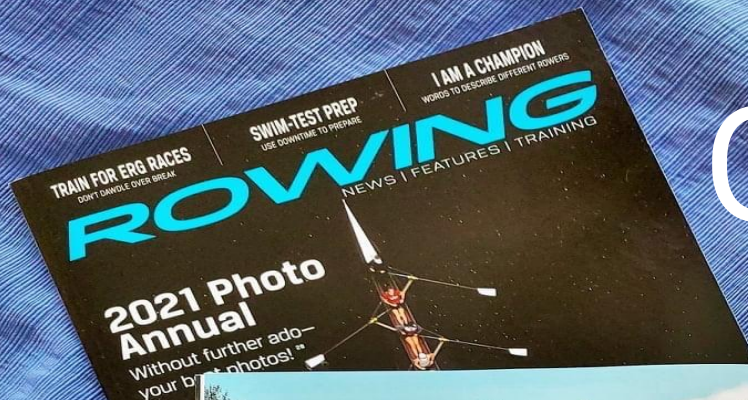
How the damage occurred

WRA In Transition

How You Can Help

WRA VOLUNTEER TASKS & RESPONSIBILITIES

CATEGORY / TASK / COMMITTEE	DESCRIPTION	MASTERS/JUNIORS/BOTH	FREQUENCY	MEMBER / VOLUNTEER(S)	TOOLS/RESOURCES/NOTES	REPORTS TO
ADMINISTRATIVE						
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR iCrew Management	Assists BOD with coordination of volunteer led responsibilities. Helps recruit members to assist with necessary tasks as new roles and needs arise.	BOTH	As needed	MASTERS: JUNIORS:	Access to iCrew.	
WRA Info Communication	Responsible for fielding inquiries of potential new members or other questions through the WRA info email. Forward new member info to orientation committee members.	BOTH (Participates on Membership Committee or is designated by the committee)	Respond within 3 days of inquiry.	MASTERS: Sue Whitson JUNIORS: Sarah Witte	Access to info@whatcomrowing email	
New Member Orientation	Orients new members to the boathouse, WRA handbook, introductions to members/coaches. Designates current member as buddy for new members.	BOTH (Participates on Membership Committee or is designated by the committee)	Seasonally/As needed	MASTERS: JUNIORS:		
Member Requirements	Ensure all members are up to date on required skills and registrations including: Annual member dues, SafeSport, US Rowing, Float Test	BOTH	Quarterly / Regattas	MASTERS: JUNIORS: Head Coach	Access to Google Drive and iCrew. List of US Rowing member numbers(?) Member info spreadsheet.	
WRA Handbook Updates	WRA policies and guidance meets all US Rowing requirements. Recommends policies to WRA board for inclusion. Keeps handbook up to date.	BOTH	Biannually / As needed	MASTERS: JUNIORS:	BOD directed task	BOD
Strategic Planning	Maintains Five-Year Plans. Annual review of progress. Updates plans in 5-year increments prior to end of each term. Includes updates of capital asset plans.					
PROGRAMS						
	Skills requirements completed: Float test, flip test, bow coxing (1x, 2x, 4x),				Develop categories of independent rowing based on capabilities. Seasonal/boat size.	



Questions?



Photo Credit: Scott Welker; Rowing Magazine, Head of the Bull Trout 2021