

RADNOR GIRLS CREW CLUB CLUB MEETING

May 10, 2011; Radnor High School, Library; 7:00 p.m.

Attendance: Carol Turner (President) (Lauren), Dennis MacCormick (Carly), Dan Webster (Treasurer) (Alli), Karen Fitch (Secretary) (Kirsten), Megan Biging (Head Coach), Joe Sullivan (Assistant Coach), Dani Thole (Freshmen Coach), Nancy Bradberry (Olivia), Mary Dixon (Molly), Julie Faude (Sophie), Gina Foley (Cecilia), Paul Gallagher (Julia), Kate Giangrasso (Gabrielle), Dawn Lally (Chandler), Elizabeth and Tom Lowy (Susanna), Trisha Macrone (Maddie), Joanne Miller (Ellen), Missy Parkin (Celia), Leroy Turner (Lauren), Linda Cantor (Sydney), Maggie Howard (Emma), Daphne Howard (Greer), Dana Berezna (Liz), Udo Edelmann (Hannah), Sherry Luce (Lexie Katz), Dawn Lally (Chandler), Yeonmi Ahn (Rebecca Michelson), Gerry Burke (Emma), Lisa Callinan (Haley), Scott Chapin (Kendall, Maddie), Evan Raichak (Abby), Kim Berg (Alexis), Holly Dillon (Kate), Jennie Gordon (Audrey), Laura Luker (Nina), Mark Mazanek (Marysa), Margy Miccolis (Sarah), Melissa Rauscher (Griffin), John Steely (Margot), Nancy DerSimonian (Jane), Dawn Kemp (Audra)

Athletes: Sophia Blair, Chandler Lally, Lauren Turner, Kirsten Fitch, Liz Berezna, Susanna Lowy, Margot Steely, Griffin Rauscher (and little brother), Emma Howard

Introduction:

- Meeting began at 7:03 pm
- Carol Turner began the meeting by giving a wrap-up of City Championships. Highlights included RGCC being only girls team present where all boats entered made it into finals; RGCC received two firsts (Freshman 8 and Second 8) and a second (Varsity 8), $\frac{3}{4}$ of boats received medals

Coaches' Update:

- **Team Update:** Audra Kemp has joined freshmen – she has raced twice and done great! Cecelia Foley is back from injury and also has been racing. Molly Dixon is out for the rest of season but is recovering well.
- **Nationals:** Megan will be submitting entries for Nationals through Regatta Central.
- **Equipment:** Vespoli is repaired. Trailer has RGCC decals on it.

- **Learn to Row:** Ten participants registered (deposit and paperwork). Will be sending an e-mail to those showing an interest at Winterfest. Expecting to eventually have 20-30 participants in each of two sessions. \$25 off RGCC dues if enroll someone

Spring Athlete Survey:

- Sometime after Nationals and before the banquet, athletes will receive a survey to complete.

Committee Reports:

- **Hospitality:** Need a chairman for next year. Joanne Miller outlined the duties – mostly administrative, e-mails, putting in dates, etc. Chairman would work with Boys Crew Hospitality Chair (Carol Bupp). Could share the Hospitality Chair position with another RGCC parent.
 - Please remember to submit your Hospitality receipts. The club has budgeted for the purchases and your dues include the cost of the food and supplies. It also helps track expenditures against the budget for the year.
- **Spiritwear:** Kim Berg and Holly Dillon will be taking over position from Lisa Webster.
 - Car magnets available for \$5/each. All coaches and carpool drivers have received one.
- **Fundraising:** Regatta sponsorship has been very successful. Thank you to all who participated.
- **Communications:** Trisha Macrone will be taking over position from Karen Fitch.
- **Banquet:** Look for an e-vite soon. Banquet is at Aronimink Country Club on Tuesday, June 7th at 6:30 pm. Cost is \$25/person – parent, sibling, other guest. Cost of female athlete is included in dues. Please note Aronimink is a “no denim” club.

President’s Report:

- Volunteering with the club can include a variety of things. Looking for a VP candidate and Hospitality Chair. Please contact a Board Member if interested.
- Senior Day was heartwarming day. Senior girls were presented with special keepsake boxes. Thank you to Daphne Howard for providing a perfect venue.
- If you are able to stake out a hospitality tent site at the Cooper River for Nationals, please let Carol Turner know. Someone is needed to arrive at the Nationals site by about noon on Thursday, 5/26.

Captains’ Report: Sophia Blair reported that Senior Day was “amazing,” City Championships was also amazing with the most medals RGCC has received in one day. The team is looking forward to Nationals.

Secretary’s Report: None

Treasurer's Report: Waiting to hear on the Robert White Trust grant. Some changes in trust administrators could be reason for delay.

New Business: None

Nationals Committee:

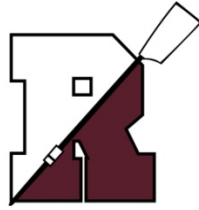
- Julie Faude, Sherry Luce, Laura Luker and Carol Turner presented information for Nationals at Cooper River in Pennsauken, Friday, May 27-Saturday, May 28.
- Each family was given a packet of information. Students will be leaving school on Thursday, 5/26 at 1:30 pm to travel to Camden. Parents driving over will be providing return trip to RHS and should allow for approximately 1-3 hours at the venue. Carol Turner will provide a list of students to the school who will need to leave early. Parents still will need to write a note. Cost per participating athlete is \$110 – includes room, food, tips and chaperone costs. Megan said there will be 2 freshmen alternates and 2 varsity alternates. Non-participating athletes are welcome and encouraged to come and cheer the team on Friday. (Parents will need to write a note and call students in as absent.)
- Friday morning, 5/27 – Athletes will be providing own transportation to Cooper River. Carpools are strongly encouraged. Times for races are not determined yet. Best to drive over “as a boat” and will probably need 2 cars/boat (9 athletes).
- Sign-up sheets for drivers from the race site to the hotel on Friday afternoon (5/27) and early Saturday morning (5/28) from the hotel to race site were available.
- Parents and non-competing rowers are welcome to stay at Hyatt at a special rate of \$129 + tax. Julie Faude needs to know who will be staying overnight by Wednesday morning. Parents will pay the hotel directly. Breakfast buffet (\$10.50 including tax and tip) is a reduced fee as is the parking (\$30/night).
- Dinner will be provided for the participating athletes at Pietro's on Friday night. Others wishing to attend please contact Laura Luker, as space may be limited. Cost is \$27/person (including tax and tip).

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm

**Next club meeting is Tuesday, June 12, 2011, Room 150, 7:00 p.m.
All parents and athletes are encouraged to attend.**

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Fitch, Substitute Secretary (and Secretary-Elect)



Radnor Girls Crew Club Volunteer Opportunities

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Daughter/Class: _____

I would be interested in the following volunteer opportunities:

Future Board Service

- Vice President/President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Institutional Advancement

Regattas

- Hospitality Trailer Tower
- Boat Trailer Tower (truck is rented)
- Still Photography
- Videography

Class Parent

- Class of 2011
- Class of 2012
- Class of 2013
- Class of 2014

Committee Participation

- Fundraising
- Communications
- Hospitality
- Alumnae
- Spirit Wear
- Banquet
- Nationals
- Financial Review
- Team Photos

Website

- Maintenance

The Radnor Girls Crew Club is a volunteer organization. Your help makes the difference between a good club and a great club. Please volunteer.

For more information or answers to questions, or to share ideas, please contact Carol Turner, President, at (484) 431-6398 or carol@radnorcrew.org.

Board Positions

- **Vice President** serves a one-year term and then moves into the President position. Shares many of President's duties, as requested. With President, oversees operations of the club, liaises with coaches, communicates with coaches and parents, liaises with external bodies (including RHS), distributes communiqués, coordinates outreach and rower development programs, and prepares grant proposals.
- **Treasurer** manages all finances of the club, maintains books and records, prepares operating budgets and financial reports, signs all checks, manages insurance, and coordinates tax return filing.
- **Secretary** maintains club forms and documents, collects and manages required rower registration documents, maintains member roster and contact information, prepares meeting minutes, and updates bylaws and position descriptions, as necessary.
- **Director of Institutional Advancement** provides strategic direction for fundraising efforts, coordinates all fundraising efforts, assembles and manages volunteers for fundraising efforts, establishes corporate sponsorship program, and manages alumnae chairperson.

Committees

- **Fundraising** works with the Director of Institutional Advancement to further the club's fundraising requirements to further its mission.
- **Communications** maintains and updates the website content (photos, videos, race results), writes and sends press releases to local papers, develops collateral to promote RGCC programs and events, and communicates with parents.
- **Hospitality** organizes food and beverage for all regattas, manages hospitality assignments for families (as necessary), maintains hospitality supplies, and updates hospitality guidelines.
- **Alumnae** maintains alumnae database of rowers and parents and coordinates homecoming regatta activities. Reports to Director of Institutional Advancement.
- **Spirit Wear** selects logo gear for merchandising to club members, orders and markets merchandise, and collects payment.
- **Banquet** organizes the spring banquet (held shortly after the final regatta, in late May), including venue, menu, decorations, and awards.
- **Nationals** organizes logistics, transportation, lodging, and food and beverage for rowers advancing to SRAA Nationals (venue changes annually).
- **Financial Review** conducts, on no less than an annual basis, an independent review of the financial books and records and the financial controls of the club.
- **Team Photos** coordinator oversees the team and individual photo shoot, which occurs in the spring, coordinating between the photographer and the coaches.

Class Parents

- Help with communications to rowers and parents.
- Assist with recruiting volunteers for club activities.
- Pro-actively find other ways to better the club members' experience.

Regattas/Miscellaneous

- **Hospitality Trailer Towers** tow our small hospitality trailer to and from the river. Your vehicle must have a trailer hitch.
- **Boat Trailer Towers** tow our boats to and from the river. A ¾-ton pickup truck is rented for this purpose, so you don't need to have a vehicle capable of towing. **Towing experience is required.**
- **Regatta Photographers and Videographers** help to preserve the memories of our regattas.
- **Web Maintainers** help to improve the functionality and look of the RGCC website and blog and update content as necessary.