

# Dad Vail Regatta

Friday, May 7 and Saturday, May 8, 2010

## Regatta Instruction Bulletin

**LOCATION** - Schuylkill River, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania --- 2,000 Meters

### **TIME (HEATS & FINALS)**

FRIDAY, MAY 7

Quarter-Finals starting 7:00 A.M. and finishing at 6:00 P.M.

SATURDAY, MAY 8

Semi-Final Heats beginning at 7:00 A.M. and finishing at 12:30 P.M. Finals - 1:30 to 6:00 P.M.

**N.B.: These times are approximate and may change.**

See the enclosed schedule for event number, event times, number of heats, and number of qualifiers to advance. All events will be seeded.

**This year we will have Three Women's Varsity Heavyweight Eight events Division II, Division III, and Open. If you do not qualify for the Div. II, or Div. III events you must row in the Open event. We will have 2 events for Women's Varsity Heavyweight Four. The Open event and the Div. II / Div III event (same as last year). PLEASE SEE PAGE 4 OF THIS BULLETIN FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.**

**REGISTRATION** - Is electronic through Regattacentral.com

ALL REGATTA INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ON THE DAD VAIL WEB SITE: [dadvail.org](http://dadvail.org)

**ENTRY FEES/AFFILIATE/NON-AFFILIATE FEES**- Affiliate Schools must pay a \$1000.00 fee. This was due December 31, 2010. Entry fees for Affiliate Schools are \$150.00 per boat for boats #5 or more. There is NO FEE for the FIRST FOUR BOATS ENTERED.

Non-Affiliate Entry Fees are \$325.00 per Boat. **Deadline** for entries, and **all fees** is **WEDNESDAY, APRIL, 21, 2010**. Schools not entering or not having their fees in on time will only be accepted if space is available. For this year's Regatta:

1. A limit has been set on the Number of Entries in each of the 20 Events.
2. Affiliate Schools have been guaranteed ONE ENTRY in EACH EVENT.  
**(However you must send all entries by the due date.)**
3. Non Affiliate Entries will be accepted on a SPACE AVAILABLE basis in each event and on a FIRST COME Basis.

### **HOSPITALITY FOR ATHLETES** -

We will provide all athletes with Lunch and Dinner on Friday, and Lunch on Saturday at the Launch Area.

### **ENTRY THROUGH REGATTA CENTRAL.**

**SAFETY** - "Rules of the River" must be read to all competitors.

**EQUIPMENT** - Each crew is expected to bring its own shell, oars and boat slings. Races will not be delayed for equipment sharing. All shells must have protective balls affixed to their bow points. **All bow markers will be provided by DVROC (see enclosed special instruction sheet)**. Crews **will not** be permitted to race without bow markers. Races will not be delayed because a crew does not have a bow marker, or if a crew states, "their marker fell off". **Coaches Please Note:** Bow Marker Rule will be strictly enforced in this year's Dad Vail Regatta.

**ELIGIBILITY** - ARTICLE V - ELIGIBILITY (All crews must ensure that the Athletic Director and/or Director of Club Sports read these requirements)

Eligibility of rowers to participate in the Dad Vail Regatta shall be dependent upon the Dad Vail rules and NCAA rules as they pertain to the participating schools. Participants from foreign schools shall adhere to Dad Vail Regatta rules and to NCAA Division I rules.

- A. All participants in the Dad Vail Regatta must be full time undergraduate students at the institution they represent. To be considered full time undergraduate students, they must currently be taking courses totaling at least 12 credit hours, and must be making normal progress toward their first degree. A student-athlete may compete while enrolled in less than minimum full-time (12 hours) program of studies, provided the student is enrolled in the final semester or quarter of the program. The institution must certify that the student is carrying (for credit) the courses necessary to complete degree requirements. Also a student-athlete who has received a Baccalaureate or equivalent degree and who is enrolled in the graduate or professional school of the institution attended as an undergraduate, or who is enrolled and seeking a second Baccalaureate or equivalent degree at the same institution, may participate in intercollegiate athletics provided the student-athlete has athletics eligibility remaining and such participation occurs within the period set forth in Bylaw 2, Article B below.
- B. A Dad Vail competitor shall not engage in more than four (4) years of intercollegiate competition. Competing for a college in any one event within the academic year is enough to constitute one year of eligibility.

(1) Division I Schools - The student-athlete shall complete his or her seasons of participation within five calendar years from the beginning of the semester or quarter in which the student-athlete first registered for a minimum full-time program of studies in a collegiate institution. A student-athlete initially registers, for the purpose of starting the count of time, in a regular term of an academic year for a minimum full-time program of studies, and attends the student's first day of classes for that term.

(2) Division II and III Schools - The student-athlete shall complete his or her seasons of participation during the first ten (10) semesters or fifteen (15) quarters in which the student is enrolled in a collegiate institution in at least a minimum full-time program of studies, as determined by the regulations of that institution, and attends the first day of classes for that term.

- C. Freshman/Novice Event
- (1) To row as a freshman, a competitor must be in his or her first year of attendance at the collegiate level and be considered an academic freshman by his or her institution.
  - (2) To row as a novice, a competitor must not have participated in the sport of rowing prior to the present academic year. A student/athlete may compete as a novice for only one year. If the student/athlete competes after the novice year, it must be in a non novice event. A novice need not be a freshman.
- D. A transfer student who has participated in a collegiate rowing program in the academic year current to or preceding his or her attendance at the new institution may not row in a Varsity Eight event (Heavy-Light-Women) in his or her first year at the new institution unless a waiver is granted as follows:
1. If the student transfers to the certifying institution from another four year collegiate institution and the following conditions are met:
    - (a) The student has not transferred previously from a four-year college.
    - (b) The student is in good academic standing and meets the satisfactory progress requirements.
    - (c) The student's previous institution certifies in writing it has no objection to the student being granted an exception to the transfer residence requirement.
  2. If the student transfers to the certifying institution from a Division III member institution and meets the above condition, he or she may be eligible to compete but shall not receive athletically related financial aid during the first academic year in residence at the certifying institution.
  3. Eligibility for transfers from Junior Colleges is covered under NCAA Rules.
- E. Competitors are eligible to participate in only **one event** per Regatta. **This includes Coxswains.**
- F. Appeals for exceptions to these rules must be entered in writing with the Dad Vail Regatta Eligibility Committee at any time prior to the deadline for entries. Coaches are required to send all validating evidence that might be helpful in arriving at a fair decision.
- G. Violations of regulations may be cause for crew or team-wide disqualifications. Unusually serious violations may be considered grounds for even more severe sanctions.

#### ARTICLE VI - PARTICIPATION

1. No crew may enter a Junior Varsity event unless entered and participating in a Varsity event.
2. Substitutes may be listed on the Entry Form, but once the crew participates it must row intact unless the Regatta Committee is petitioned for a change in the boating.
3. Canadian crews desiring to participate in the Dad Regatta shall require written authorization from the Canadian Amateur Rowing Association. **No carded athletes may participate.** N.B. Although Canadian school years are different from U.S. undergraduate years, all must comply to U. S. standard
4. If a coach enters one or more events and then at the last minute, after seedings have been completed, cancels any of these events to enter and compete in another regatta, the penalty will be a one year suspension from the Dad Vail Regatta for that college or university.

**PROTEST PROCEDURE** - Please refer to the flyer, that can be found on our Web site, Titled: DAD VAIL REGATTA PROTEST POCEDURES

**SHELL STORAGE AND PARKING** - No shells are to be stored or launched from Boat House Row unless your school has permission to do so from a particular Boat Club. All shells are to be stored at the LAUNCH SITE ON KELLY DRIVE BETWEEN THE FINISH LINE BRIDGE AND THE GIRARD AVENUE BRIDGE on the East Bank of the River. All vehicles must follow directions of Dad Vail officials at the parking area and they will direct you to off-site parking of cars, buses, trucks and vans. See the enclosed Traffic Bulletin.

**POINT TROPHIES** - The points system for the trophy will be published in the Regatta Program. It is as follows:

	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>	<u>5th</u>	<u>6th</u>
Varsity Eights	10	8	7	6	5	4
JV Eights	8	7	6	5	4	3
Frosh/Novice Eights	8	7	6	5	4	3
Four's	5	4	3	2	1	
Pair's	3	2	1			

Medals will be awarded to the first 3 places.

**IF FOUR BOATS OR LESS** enter an event the medals and points will be awarded as follows:

- 4 Boat Race - Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals & points 4, 3, 2, 1
- 3 Boat Race - Gold & Silver Medals & points 3, 2, 1
- 2 Boat Race - Gold Medal & points 2,1
- 1 Boat Race - NO RA

**The above, is of course, a final event only and the medals and points will be awarded to the numbeboatsracing - not number of boats entered.**

**SEEDING** - All events will be seeded. The number of seeded crews will depend on the number of heats, with a minimum of 2 seeded crews per heat (i.e. 4 heats, 8 seeded crews). Lane assignments for all crews other than the seeded crews will be a random draw. The heats will be seeded on the basis of recommendations by the Seeding Advisory Committee. Since selections are based on past performance, it is imperative that all results be forwarded to a Seeding Representative listed below.

Gerry Quinlan  
St Joseph U.  
610-637-5696  
rowing@sju.edu

Jim Mitchell  
Jacksonville U.  
904-256-7423  
jmitche3@ju.edu

Mike Connors  
Sacramento State  
connors@csus.edu - email

Charlie DiSilvestro  
Drake U.  
515-271-4995  
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**LIGHTWEIGHT RACES & WEIGH-IN FOR ALL LIGHTWEIGHTS & ALL COXSWAINS**

**LIGHTWEIGHT ROWERS AND COXWAINS WILL ONLY HAVE TO WEIGH IN ONE TIME ON THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 6. FOR THOSE ARRIVING TOO LATE ON THURSDAY WE WILL HAVE LIMITED WEIGH-INS ON FRIDAY MORNING.**

Lightweight entries need not have a Varsity Heavyweight Eight entered to compete in the Lightweight race. The weight requirements for entrants in the event are posted on the web site. Please check the Bulletin Board Thursday for specific times.

**All LIGHTWEIGHTS AND COXWAINS must weigh in on THURSDAY.**

Men's events coxswains - 120 lb. minimum. Men's Lightweight - 155 lb. average; 160 lb. maximum.

Women's events coxswains - 110 lb. minimum. Women's Lightweight - 130 lb. maximum.

SEE WEB SITE FOR WEIGH-IN PROCEDURES.

FORCING LIQUIDS TO RAISE COX'S WEIGHT IS FORBIDDEN.

**LANES** - Lane assignments for Semi-Finals and Finals will be printed in the Heat Sheets. Winners will be assigned Lanes 3 and 4, then Lanes 2, 5, 1 and 6 in that order. A preliminary schedule of events and event times is posted on the Web site.

**SHIRTS** - Shirts or Singlets must be uniform in each boat.

**TROPHIES** - Trophies will be awarded on the Awards Float at the Judges' Stand immediately after each final on Saturday. Medals will be awarded subject to the number of entries in an event. If you have a Trophy from the previous year's Regatta, please return it in its case, properly cleaned, to the registration tent at the Launch Area.

**SCRATCHES** - The Regatta Committee will accept scratches up to May 2, 2010 without penalty. Note Well: **FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE!** The Committee may penalize (with appropriate fines) scratches not submitted by the above date. Fine will be equal to entry fee.

If a coach enters one or more events and then at the last minute, after seedings have been completed, cancels any of these events to enter and compete in another regatta, the penalty will be a one year suspension from the Dad Vail Regatta for that college or university.

**PUBLICITY** - If you wish, pre-regatta publicity releases accompanied by professional grade photographs should be forwarded to: Harry Stinger, 249 Copper Beech Dr., Blue Bell, PA 19422

**VOLUNTEERS** - Two volunteers from each school are **MANDATORY** for work as Stake Boat Person, Boat Driver or Traffic Control and other duties as needed. Names and email addresses of the volunteers along with the coach's cell phone number should be emailed to: tricia.winton@dadvail.org All volunteers must be confirmed at their Team Registration.

**TRAFFIC INFORMATION** - Thursday, Kelly Drive will be open for morning traffic and then will be closed at 10 A.M. **Trailer or shell access to the Rowers Village Launch Site will begin at 12 Noon on Thursday. There will be absolutely no access by land or water to this area, including the Docks, prior to that time. West River Drive is closed to thru traffic on Saturday.** All vehicles entering the Regatta site must enter from the North under the Strawberry Mansion Bridge. Only authorized vehicles with appropriate permit will be allowed past Police barricades. During the Regatta all traffic will be diverted at Strawberry Mansion Bridge and Grant's Statue. Again, only vehicles with appropriate permit will be permitted past Strawberry Mansion Bridge traffic barriers. All traffic will be prohibited on Kelly Drive between bridges. There will be no parking or launching of boats at the Canoe Club (except for early arrivals) - please see enclosed Traffic Bulletin. There will be signs on Kelly Drive directing you to the Launch Site past the Finish Line and the Columbia Avenue Bridge. **All traffic to the Launch Site must enter from the North. No left turn will be permitted to enter the Launch Site from the South (Boat House Row).** Please see enclosed Traffic Bulletin.

**COACHES ARE REQUESTED TO:**

1. Have the **Coaches Questionnaire** completed and returned by **April 25, 2007** to:  
Bob Morro, 711 Lindale Avenue, Drexel Hill, PA 19026  
(Telephone: (610)623-8590 between 4 and 10:30 P.M.  
FAX - (610)623-8599 e-mail - rhmorinc@aol.com
2. The Dad Vail name and logo are the property of the DVROC and may not be used on any commercial or promotional material without the expressed written permission of the DVROC. (This includes T-shirts or other souvenirs for sale).
3. Send an email with your cell phone #, the volunteers names and email addresses to: tricia.winton@dadvail.org No later than 1 week before the Regatta.
4. **Send your ongoing race results and times to the Regional Seeding Person.**
5. Without proper payment your entry will not be accepted. All costs must be paid for in U.S. Dollars.

Respectfully,

BOB MORRO, Regatta Secretary

## **DIVISION II and DIVISION III ENTRIES**

*\*To enter the Women's Varsity Hwvt Eight (Div II) event a boat must be from an NCAA Division II institution. Priority is given to boats from rowing programs eligible for participation in the NCAA Division II Rowing Championship. On a space-available basis, club crews from NCAA Division II institutions will be permitted to participate in this event.*

*\*\*The Women's Varsity Hwvt Eight (Div. III) is open to any program that is eligible for participation in the NCAA Division III Women's Rowing Championships. Both first varsity and second varsity eights are eligible for this event. No more than two eights (1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> varsities) from an institution will be accepted in this event.*