MRRA General Meeting Tuesday March 11, 2014

Attending: Liz Albert, Linas Alinskas, Kent Springer, Jody Decarolis, Tim Wheatley, Mark Romanowsky, Bob Lynch, Joe Lafreniere, Bob Sengstaken, Dottie Semonian, Lisa Doucett, Barbara Sherman, Stephanie Birchenough, Terry Freeman, David Morley, Karen Scammell, Dennis McCarthy, Bronwyn Chapman, Bob Bowen, Carl Popolo, Jennifer Lown, Kathy McGowen, Daniel Ernst, Jason Holden, Jay Feenan, Mary Theresa Freund (26)

Location: Chelmsford Police Station

Meeting Start: 7:05 PM

Safety Committee defers message, showed Safety Video before meeting

February Meeting Minutes were accepted



MRRA Budget Package Rev Mar 2014

- 1. Programs and Membership Fees
- 2. Equipment Purchase & Sale Recommendations
- 3. Budget 2014
- 4. Safety
- 5. Social committee

MRRA 2014

Programs and Membership

Base MRRA Membership Fee

- If Paid by Jan 15
 - \$100 membership fee
 - \$50 for college students
- After Jan 15
 - \$125 membership fee
 - \$65 for college students
- Base membership fee is paid by all club members
- Base fee covers fixed costs of operating the club
- Maintain principles of club membership fees
 Additional fees based upon program and equipment

^{**} Secretary Note: Fixed cost close to \$150, next year may need to increase.

Summary Sculling Fees No change from 2013

- Rack fees at \$350/year. Due March 15
 - Outdoor rack space (if available) offered at \$150
 - o High Storage (if available), offered at \$50 for season
- Logbook sculling \$250 unlimited use of club sculling boats (and when rigged as 2-)
- Family membership of \$100
 - Must have same privilege of full paying member
 - o Married /domestic couples, children, living at same address
- Restricted Logbook sculling: \$100
 - o Row after 9am; no reservations; no offsite racing
- Racing Associate: \$100
 - o Member of another club; rows with a member always
 - o ** Secretary note: Rack Policy Group will meet to update

Advanced Coached Sculling

Target improved racing performance

Coaching Sunday morning

- * 6:30 8am
- * 6 people max
- * Start TBD

Coach: Vee Platzer

Program Manager: Karen Scammell

Cost: \$10/row - \$40/month

Masters Coached Sculling

Target team boats with rowers rotating in singles based on availability

Coaching Mon, Wed, Fri @ 5:30 AM – 7:00 AM Starts May 2nd

Coach: TBD

Program Manager: Linas Alinskas

Cost: \$135/rower per month (13 sessions) based on 6 rowers

Learn To Scull

- LTS I/II (a/b): each a 4 week program, with 2 sessions per week
 - o LTS I June (a), July (b); LTS II July (a), August (b)
 - Thurs evening /Sat morn -- adding Tues/Sat in July

Recommended Program Fee (same)

- \$200 for each LTS session or two (a & b) = \$400
- \$50 for MRRA base membership when
- pass captains test (after Aug 1) for logbook
- sculler member privileges (full \$\$ before) = \$125

Program Manager, Chur Masors

Coach: TBD

Learn to Sweep – Masters

Need commitment of at least 8 -10 sweep rowers (max 18)

- Two 4-week programs, 2 rows/week (was 6week session)
- Start mid June
- Mon-Wed evening 6 7:30pm
- Saturday only program 8 rows
- Recommended Fee
- o \$80 for MRRA Members who are already sculling members (was \$120/6weeks)
- o Non-member \$99 (reduced from \$300/6weeks, less than LTScull); or \$160/2 people bring a friend special

Coach: TBD

Program manager - Joe Bernard

Masters Sweep I/II

- 13 weeks each
- \bullet 2 rows/wk = 26 sessions: Mon-Wed eve
- Start 4/29

Recommended Fee: \$300

Coach: K.C Lumbard

Program manager - Carl Popolo

Open Sweep Men/Women I/II/III

1 Session/wk, no coaching

All year for experienced sweep rowers looking to compete at national races

Participants recommended to sign up for logbook sculling

Women may increase to >1 session/week (fee to rise accordingly)

Recommended Fee: \$50

Coach: None

Program Oversight - Jason Holden

Mens – Mike Poreba

Womens – Katie Coutermarsh

Programs Summary

Adv Coached Sculling (Sun 6:30 am, start April)

MSweep - (M/W, 6:00 pm)

OSweep Men/Women (T/Th 6pm, Sat 8am)

Masters Coached Sculling (M/W/F - 5:30am, starts early May)

LTScull Ia - (Th 6pm, Sat at 6:30am; starts May 29)

LTScull IIa - (Tu 6pm, Sat at 8am; starts June 26)

LTScull Ib - (Th - 6pm, Sat at 6:30am; starts June 26)

LTScull IIb - (Tu 6pm, Sat 6:30am, starts July 29)

LTSweep I - (M,W 6pm, starts June 16)

Program Schedule – Mar thru June

	March							
AM 5:30-7 AM 8-10	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri	Sat UML Open Sweep Sp	Sun	
PM		Open Sweep Sp	or	Open Sweep Sp	or			
	April							
AM 5:30-7	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri	Sat UML	Sun	
AM 8-10						Open Sweep Sp	r	
PM		Open Sweep Sp	or	Open Sweep Sp	or			
	May							
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	June							
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AM 8-10								
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PM	LT Sweep	Open Sweep	LTSweep	LTScull		13		



Equipment Committee

MRRA Equipment Recommendations
March 2014



- Major equipment purchases in 2013
 - 4x/4- Vespoli (Paul Wenger)
 - WinTech 1x
 - 2 intermediate midweight Peinerts
 - Sold 1989 Peinert 26x (\$1000)



- Historically use regatta funds for boat purchases
- Will be given \$13K for TRR 2013
- Also made \$5K at the Festival in 2013
- Should not use "future" regatta funds
 - just prior year funds



- Equipment Sales Recommendation
- Sell 2 Fisas (from last year, never sold these)
 - Budget \$1000 each was in 2013 budget
- o Sell Pienert 3 (1989)
 - Budget \$1000
- o Sell Vespoli MW 2X
 - Budget \$2500
 - Total sales of \$3500 for CY2014 budget

Equipment Proposal for 2014

- 1. Request \$22K for equipment purchases for 2014
 - Update club sculling oars (\$2K)
 - 4 sets of Concept2 sculls @ \$500 each
 - Purchase Midweight Competitive quality 2X/-
 - Budget \$14K
 - Will look for good used Vespoli
 - Purchase Lightweight competitive class 1X
 - Budget \$6K
 - Peinert P25 gets a lot of usage and more than 5 people vie for this boat
 - Can be used for LW women or men
 - Look at Wintech; actual brand TBD

Safety Committee – Budget 2014

•	Replacement line for setting buoys	\$100
•	Flashlights for coxswains for night rows	\$100
•	Air horns for rowing shells (small) 4 @ 10 ea	\$50
•	White stern lights	\$250
•	Weather station for boathouse* (internet with logbook computer)	-0-
•	Refreshments for flip clinic	\$50
•	One aluminum staff/pool style in the water recovery	\$100
•	First Aid supplies for kit and an additional kit for launch	\$100
•	Miscellaneous	\$250
To	otal Request	\$1000

Funds to subsidize CPR/First Aid/USRowing?

-- board already OK'd CPR/1st Aid for Coaches

Other Safety Notes

Still Water Wake-less Launch

- \$14,000
- * \$9000 for boat and \$5,000 for motor (Wintech quote)
- * Equipment committee decided to table this purchase for a year and focus on sculling fleet
 - ** Secretary note: Joe LaFreniere is proposing the MRRA seriously consider the purchase of a wake-less launch for 2015/2016
- Weather Station: Log-in computer should link to a weather and or radar image and also show lightning activity.
 - ** Secretary note: Boathouse user group to discuss purchase
- We can investigate a dedicated lightning strike detector for next year.
 Possibly there is a local weather cam site that we can link to that includes a detector and weather
 - ** Secretary note: Logbook has radar
- * Pool rescue pole: This is the best solution to the ability to rescue a crew of 9 as well as for race refereeing and safety concerns

Safety tentative Agenda items 2014

- Schedule FLIP CLINIC
- Show Safety Video at Meetings and
- Arrange for small showings of Safety Video
- Post Traffic pattern inside boathouse and at dock
- Perform Insurance Company boathouse safety review
- Work with boathouse user group on any other safety activities



Social Events Planned

Request \$500 for Social Committee – mostly refreshments for below:

March Meeting: St Patrick's Day snacks: Samples of MRRA outerwear.

April Meeting: **Spring**, Should be on the water! Samples of MRRA outerwear

May 18-19th: Booth promoting MRRA programs at Jr. District Champs

June 7th: National Learn To Row Day- **Breakfast**

June 28 – 29: **USRowing** and **Festival Regatta**-Information on programs, snacks

Saturday AM breakfast after session LTScull,...June/July

Evening activity after LTSweep and Msweep... June/July

July 8th: Monthly Meeting: **Refreshments on the deck**, Invite recent LTR/LT sweep

** Through Summer/Fall will organize Full Moon and Twilight Rows,

** Mentoring for new members

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MRRA 2014 Budget

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Growth Programs / Revenues \$

	2010	2011	2012	2013	
Income	Actual	Actual	Actual	Actual	
Sculling	31,259	31,165	34,214	39,520	
Sweep		15,025	22,966	29,190	
sale boats	1,745	2,850	350	**12,000	
TOTAL	33,013	49,040	57,530	80,710	
<u>Expense</u>					
Operating	31,635	28,776	32,964	37,366	
Programs		12,643	19,215	20,328	
TOTAL	31,635	41,419	52,179	56,694	
Income	1,378	7,621	5,351	**24,016	
(boat reserve)	(8000)	(8000)	(8000)	(8000)	
Net purchase	(8,577)	(8020)	(2,730)	(25,000)	
Cash balances regattas*	32,073	48,775*	71,187*	\$62,203*	plus

MRRA 2012 and 2013 Budget

Revenues	2012(f)	actual	2013 budget
member sculling	19,645	20,150	19,750
rack fees	6,650	7,800	6,650
LT scull	5,600	5,200	5,600
coached sculling	1,920	2,000*	7,520
Sweep programs	18,235	20,966	29,190
other		<u>1,414</u>	<u></u>
sub-total	\$52,050	\$57,530	\$68,710
Expenses			
UML payments	15,000	14,400	15,000
insurance	3,000	6,377**	3,500
maintenance	3,000	5,647	5,000
operating	4,150	4,840	3,850
scholarships/charity	600	800	1,000
annual party	1,000	1,950	1,500
Sweep programs	<u>17,681</u>	18,165	26,844 (incl sculling coach)
sub-total	(44,431)	(52,179)	(<u>56,694)</u>
OPERATING PROFIT	\$7,619	\$5,351	\$12,016 * est. coached sculling

^{**} some insurance 4, 8s in 2012; much less

Program Budgets 2013

Program P&L	<u>Base</u>	<u>ClubScull</u>	<u>Rack</u>	<u>LTScull</u>	<u>LTSweep</u>	<u>MasterSw</u>	<u>CompSw</u>	<u>Jr camp</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Revenue	8,707	13,583	6,650	13,120	3,600	6,000	8,950	8,100	68,710
Expense	9,600	14,750	5,500	5,950	1,915	3,270	8,818	6,891	55,694
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Profit	(893)	(1,167)	1,150	7,170	1,685	2,730	132	1,209	12,016
boat reserve		(5,200)		(2,000)			(800)		(8,000)
After reserve	(893)	(6,367)	1,150	5,170	1,685	1,930	(668)	1,209	4,016

Equipment Purchases

Purchase 2X/- \$ 14,000

1 single scull \$ 6,000

4 sets sculling blades \$ 2,000

Total \$22,000

Sell Peinert 1X (\$1,000) 2 Fisas in '13 budget

Sell Vespoli MW 2X (\$2,500)

Net equipment purchase \$18,500

Summary Budget

- Growth of sweep / sculling membership
- Programs operating above <u>break-even</u>
- MRRA is <u>profitable</u> before Regattas
- Replacing / upgrading equipment ongoing
- Strong cash position after purchases
- Prepared for future plans
- Advertise for all programs ASAP

** Secretary notes: Unanimous vote to internal Audit by 3 MRRA Members Motion was made and seconded, Budget was passed.

Meeting was adjourned