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MRRA Meeting Minutes - 2008/09 09-Sep-2008

At the Boathouse

Attendees: The Usual Suspects

MINUTES

Stuff

- Meet Coach Veronika Platzer: group row on Saturday 9/20 at 7am, meet after that at 8:30
- Thanks to all who took out boats during the electrical work done on the boat bay
- Light switch at entrance has been added so that you can get out of the boathouse without tripping over boats and riggers
- Wakeless launch is in the house. It needs a 9.9 outboard; it will be a UML coaching launch, available to MRRA for safety and limited coaching use
- Still have boats for sale; repost on MRRA ... V1, Kapsher, Wooden double.
 Also on eBay for better exposure. Keyed to row2k ad / craigslist ad.
- Safety:
 - Kayaker known to us is regularly on the wrong side of the river.
 Kayakers are known to be less intelligent than scullers.
 - We have had rowers on the water before dusk with no bow light.
 Scullers aren't always so bright either.
 - Safety DVD; signage improvements
 - Bright clothing, so that you are more noticeable and look your best as an eight bears down upon you at full speed.

- Off-season CPR
- Throw-ring for scullers and 2-yr olds near the dock. NOTE: Two-year olds should not be in the river in general, and especially without a valid swim certificate on file.
- With UML and LHS back on the water, avoid parking inside the gate. UML starts at 5am this Thursday

TRR

- BH access option a, b. Worst: storage areas: bays, sailing, deck. Better: downstairs lobby. No showers, bathrooms.
- Workbay is storage/staging

Minutes submitted by CarlP.

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