

# **EWAUNA ROWING CLUB, INC**

## **MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION/INSTRUCTION FORM**

**CLUB DUES/PAYMENT SCHEDULE:** Annual dues are effective for the calendar year (January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>). A single payment in the full amount needs to be received by January 31<sup>st</sup>, or two equal payments (totaling the full membership fees) must be received by January 31<sup>st</sup> and April 30<sup>th</sup>. For new members who join at an interim point in the year, dues for the remainder of the year can be paid starting at the date of joining (prorated in full for the year). Members who do not comply with payment(s) of dues will have their key cards deactivated, and membership will be terminated. Credit for up to \$50 off of an individual membership (\$100 off family membership) will be accepted for volunteer hours worked the previous calendar year (2-3 hours = \$10 credit). A \$25 recruitment bonus is offered as a credit towards dues to any member that recruits another individual(s) that joins the club at full membership level.

**LIABILITY FORMS:** The club waiver “release of liability” form is included in the membership packet. These forms must be signed and returned before your membership application can be processed and your “key card” to the Ewauna Rowing facilities issued. Also, the club requires a verification of swimming ability. Please read, sign, and return both forms with your membership application. Returning members need only to sign the release of liability form. Additionally, a USRowing Liability form is required for each club member and needs to be updated annually to maintain coverage under the Club’s insurance policy

**PRIVATE BOAT STORAGE:** Only current members of the Ewauna Rowing club may store their boat in the boathouse. Any member who chooses to store their privately owned boat in the boathouse will be charged an additional \$50 per seat each year. These fees will be due by January 31<sup>st</sup>. Prorated rates are available only to new members who join after January 1<sup>st</sup>.

**TRIAL MEMBERSHIP:** Instruction on handling equipment, safety issues, and three courtesy rows. A liability waiver form must be signed and on file. Punch cards are also available for those people that do not wish to join the club at full membership. A punch card allows a given number of rows at regularly scheduled club rowing times, but does not include access to the boathouse (key card or door code) except at those times when regular club members are present.

**SELF-PURCHASED (DONATED) MATERIALS/ITEMS:** All members who have self-purchased materials/items for the Ewauna Club may fill out a tax deductible form for their own tax purposes. This form along with a copy of the receipt must be submitted to the current club treasurer. Any member with prior approval may opt to be reimbursed for the cost of the material/items.

**GENERAL SAFETY POLICY:** It is the policy of the club that whenever club-owned rowing equipment is on the lake, there must be two boats on the water. This can be two shells, or a shell and the safety launch boat. You do not have to be a club member to operate the safety launch (a spouse or friend can drive the launch), but the operator must have a valid Oregon Boat Operator Safety card. The red safety bag (containing PFDs and other safety equipment) must be carried in the boat at all times in order to meet Oregon/Klamath County requirements. Any violations of Oregon/County safety policy are the sole responsibility of the boat operator – the rowing club will not cover violations of safety/boating regulations that are the responsibility of the operator.

**PARK RULES AND REGULATIONS:** The Jim Kerns crewhouse is located on City of Klamath Falls – City Parks property, and as such, falls under the regulations imposed by the Parks Board. There is no allowance for consumption of alcohol within the park (including the boathouse) unless a special permit has been obtained.

Rowing club members should park in designated (marked) parking spots, avoiding the handicapped spaces unless you have a valid placard. Single vehicles should also avoid parking in the lot next to the boat launch, as these spaces are reserved for vehicles towing boat trailers.

**EQUIPMENT, DOCK AND BOATHOUSE MAINTENANCE:** It is the responsibility of all club members to avoid damaging club equipment and maintain the equipment in usable condition. All rowing-related equipment is expensive to replace – please treat it with care. Boats should be left in clean condition inside and out, and waxed when necessary to maintain a clean exterior. Any breakage or wear to boats, oars or ergometers should be reported to a member of the executive committee immediately. Boats should be towed off after leaving the water, and if there is excessive soiling, rinsed and dried. Oars generally do not need cleaning, but occasionally do get dirty and should be rinsed and hung on the racks to dry. It is the responsibility of club members to check the boat each time you row and make sure that riggers, shoes, slides, seats, etc., are secured and operational. Check screws, heel ties and seat wheels – report any problems to the executive committee.

The rowing club owns and maintains the two wooden docks that are in the lake. These docks are heavily used and abused by the general public, and are in need of constant upkeep. Screws for loose boards are available in the supply lockers, as well as nails that can be used to affix the rubber edging. If you notice very loose boards or loose rubber edging, please try to fix the problem or bring it to the attention of an executive committee member so that it does not manifest into a safety issue, or result in a dock coming unhooked from the shoreline.

General cleanliness in the boathouse is an ongoing battle. Birds, insects and weather all bring debris and soil into the boathouse and onto equipment. Please be vigilant of birds that are trying to nest so that the initial stages of a nest can be knocked down before eggs have been laid. Sweeping, vacuuming, mopping and dusting are all activities that can be performed at any time by all members. Taking just a minute here or there to sweep up around the doors or wipe up around the bathroom keeps the boathouse looking clean and tidy. Please make an effort to put equipment, tools, towels and other items back in their proper storage place to reduce clutter and make cleaning easier. There are boxes for both clean and dirty towels – it is appreciated by all when clean towels are available, so if you can run a load of dirty towels through your washing machine and bring them back clean please do so.

Equipment maintenance and cleaning work days are scheduled several times a year in order to close up the boathouse for winter and get it ready at the start of the season in the spring. Please attend these work days and participate in the upkeep of our wonderful facility!

**MEMBER MEETINGS:** Member meetings are held monthly for most of the year, usually on a set day/time each month for the entire rowing season. Guidelines for meetings and election of executive members are found in the club bylaws.

# Ewauna Rowing Club, Inc.

## Membership Application Form

(Please Print Clearly)

Today's Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Key Card #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation (optional): \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Were you "recruited" by one of our club members? If so, please indicate their name so that they can receive credit: \_\_\_\_\_

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### Annual Single Membership

(Please choose your payment plan and sign below)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$200.00 annually (paid by January 31st)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$100.00 semi-annually (paid by January 31st and April 30th)

### Annual Private Boat Storage Fees (if applicable)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$50.00 per seat, annually (paid by January 31st)

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Annual Family Membership

(Please choose your payment plan and sign below)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$360.00 annually (paid by January 31st)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$180.00 semi-annually (paid by January 31st and April 30th)

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\*If a family membership is elected, all members of the family who wish to join should complete a separate membership form with the above member information completed.

### Annual Coxswain Membership

\_\_\_\_\_ \$25.00 annually (paid on January 31<sup>st</sup>)

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Release of Liability

Fax: 609-924-1578



IN CONSIDERATION of being given the opportunity to participate in any USRowing activity, including scheduled, supervised club activities, and registered regattas, during the policy term 12/31/08 – 12/31/09, I, for myself, my personal representatives, assigns, heirs, and next of kin.

1. I ACKNOWLEDGE, agree and represent that I understand the nature of Rowing Activities, both on water and land based, and that I am qualified, in good health, and in proper physical condition to participate in such Activity.

2. I FULLY UNDERSTAND that: (a.) ROWING ACTIVITIES INVOLVE RISKS AND DANGERS of serious bodily injury, including permanent disability, paralysis and death ("Risks"); (b.) these Risks and dangers may be caused by my own actions, or inactions, the actions or inactions of others participating in the Activity, the condition in which the Activity takes place, or the negligence of the Releasee named below; (c.) there may be other risks and social and economic losses either not known to me or not readily foreseeable at this time; and I FULLY ACCEPT AND ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS AND ALL RESPONSIBILITY FOR LOSSES, COSTS, AND DAMAGES I incur as a result of my participation in the Activity.

3. I AGREE AND WARRANT that I will examine and inspect each Activity in which I take part as a member of USRowing and that, if I observe any condition which I consider to be unacceptably hazardous or dangerous, I will notify the proper authority in charge of the Activity and will refuse to take part in the Activity until the condition has been corrected to my satisfaction.

4. I HEREBY RELEASE, discharge, and covenant not to sue USRowing, the Club, the Regatta, their administrators, directors, agents, officers, volunteers and employees, other participating regatta organizers, any sponsors, advertisers, and if applicable, owners and lessors of premises, on which the Activity takes place, (each considered one of the Releasees herein) from all liability, claims, demands, losses or damages on my account caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the Releasee or otherwise, including negligent rescue operations; and I further agree that if, despite this release and waiver of liability, assumption of risk, and indemnity agreement, I, or anyone on my behalf, makes a claim against any of the Releasees, I WILL INDEMNIFY, SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS each of the Releasees from any litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss, liability, damage, or cost which any may incur as a result of such claim, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

I have read this agreement, fully understand its terms, understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it and have signed it freely and without any inducement or assurance of any nature and intend it to be a complete and unconditional release of all liability to the greatest extent allowed by law and agree that if any portion of this agreement is held to be invalid, the balance, notwithstanding, shall continue in full force and effect.

## Printed Name of Participant:

\_\_\_\_\_

USRowing # \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Participant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

## PARENTAL CONSENT

(if participant is under the age of 18).

AND I, the minor's parent and/or legal guardian, understand the nature of rowing activities and the minor's experience and capabilities and believe the minor to be qualified to participate in such activity. I hereby release, discharge, covenant not to sue, and AGREE TO INDEMNIFY AND SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS each of the Releasees from all liability, claims, demands, losses, or damages on the minor's account caused or alleged to be caused in whole or part by the negligence of the Releasees or otherwise, including negligent rescue operations, and further agree that if, despite this release, I, the minor, or anyone on the minor's behalf makes a claim against any of the above Releasee, I WILL INDEMNIFY, SAVE, AND HOLD HARMLESS each of the Releasees from any litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss, liability, damage, or cost any may incur as the result of any such claim, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

## Printed Name of Parent/Guardian:

\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature (only if participant is under the age of 18): \_\_\_\_\_

This is THE USRowing Release of Liability, which should be copied for your use.

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**I HAVE READ THIS AGREEMENT**, fully understood its terms, understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it and have signed it freely and without any inducement or assurance of any nature and intend it to be complete and unconditional release of all liability to the greatest extent allowed by law and agree that if any portion of this agreement is held to be invalid, the balance, notwithstanding, shall continue in full force and effect.

**PRINTED NAME OF PARTICIPANT/EWAUNA ROWING CLUB**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

**PARTICIPANT'S SIGNATURE** \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENTAL CONSENT** (If participant is under the age of 18.)

Printed Name Of parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

# **EWAUNA ROWING CLUB, INC**

## **CERTIFICATE OF COMPETENCE SWIMMING**

Adult Participant Aged 18 and Older:

I certify that I am a competent swimmer. I understand that I have the responsibility to determine the extent of the training I need and to obtain that training so I am able to participate in the sport of rowing and related activities safely.

**PARTICIPANTS SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

Junior Participants Under 18 Years:

I certify that my child is a competent swimmer. I understand that I have the responsibility to determine the extent of the training my child needs and to obtain that training so I am able to participate in the sport of rowing and related activities safely.

**JUNIORS NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT OR GUARDIAN'S SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_