

Upcoming Dates:

May 25 – Modified Scrimmage (snacks being provided afterward)

May 27 - Friday Practice – No school but we WILL hold practice for all teams (normal times)

May 28-29 - Pittsford regatta

June 4 – Modified Championships – Mods

June 6-10 – Free Week

June 11 – National Scholastic Regatta – select varsity/freshmen

Nationals

The coaches are submitting bids for Nationals (6/11) in Philly (This race was originally to be held in NJ but moved to PA due to construction on the river. The venues are only minutes apart despite being in different states). We are confirmed to have team bus depart at 12:00pm on Friday 6/10. All students should arrange with teachers for the early departure and rearrange tests as needed. We will go directly to the race location to get familiar with the venue and hope to get in some practice, then dinner. All other details are being confirmed. Hope to have all other details wrapped up by the end of this week to communicate to everyone.

Annual Membership Meeting

Please join us for the annual membership meeting on Tuesday June 7th at 6pm at the Boathouse. Season summary and future plans will be discussed and we will be electing our new board members. We have two open seats, so anyone interested in seeking a leadership position with the board of directors should contact Joe Castaldo (JosephCastaldo@pyramidmg.com) for more information and to submit a short biography.

Pittsford Regatta:

REMINDER for Freshmen and Varsity. Deadlines to remember for Pittsford: For rowers/coxswains, \$150 is due and for parent bus riders, \$30 due by May 20.

Saturday, May 28, the bus departure to the Regatta is set for 6am. Please arrive at the High School East E1 parking lot by 5:45am. Chaperones will be allowed to leave their cars in this lot overnight. Lunch will be provided on the bus prior to arrival at Pittsford, with healthy snacks available throughout the day. Tents will be available for shelter, with one dedicated as a quiet tent for those kids needing to do homework (monitored by a chaperone).

Races will be all afternoon Saturday. The buses are tentatively going to be staggered for the ride to the hotel. The first bus will be leaving the course at approximately 5:00pm and the second bus leaving approximately 6:30pm. Times will be adjusted based on the number of boats making finals. (Coaches will be sending line ups & races times as soon as confirmed)

A buffet style dinner on Saturday is planned to start at 6pm in the Jefferson Room. We have this room until 10pm (lights out time). There will be enough food for all including parents who have prepaid. For those with special dietary needs please contact Rob Partlow (crew@partlow4.com).

On Sunday May 29, breakfast will be available for all rowers at the hotel prior to leaving for the regatta. We will stagger the buses to the regatta, with the first bus to leave the hotel at 6:30am and the second bus to leave at 7:30am. Lunch and snacks will be provided during the day.

NOTE: We are checking out of the hotel in the morning before the regatta. ALL personal affects MUST be taken on the bus in the morning.

Sunday, May 29, after all races are complete and boats are derigged and loaded on the trailer we will leave the regatta for home. The anticipated departure time is 4:30pm with arrival at the school parking lot about 8:00pm. The bus will be stopping at rest stop and kids will be able to purchase Dinner on way home (please be sure they have cash with them to purchase this meal).

Mod Champs – Race Day

Race day details will be provided as soon as received from the host school and Preliminary line-ups will follow. Lunch will be provided for all athletes at the end of racing. Mod athletes should eat breakfast before they arrive. Arrival times & line ups to follow.

Mod Champs – Varsity & Freshman Volunteers Requested

As is tradition, Freshman and Varsity parents are asked to help out at the food tent to set up and prep the meals so Mod parents can watch their kids race. Shen will be serving lunch for all teams. We are asking parents to arrive in the morning (time TBD once details are released) to help prep the bag lunches to get ready for service. Please email Lisa & Joe Castaldo at jcastaldo1@nycap.rr.com if you'll be able to help.

Spring Banquet

Hold the Date! June 18th from 6:30-9:00 pm is the Annual Crew Banquet at The Vista at the Van Patten Golf Course. Tickets are now on sale for \$28 per person for parents and rowers. Please print and mail the invitation with check to Maureen Strangia at the address on the attached form.

This is a dressier event than our fall banquet. We are expecting to fill every seat at the Vista. To accommodate our rowers, coaches and parents we are asking the members not to bring siblings, and rowers may attend on their own. If you have questions, please contact: **Maureen Strangia**, maureenstrangia@gmail.com , [518-669-9602](tel:518-669-9602)

Adult Rowing Free Day

All adults are welcome to row Saturday, June 25th with our adult team. It's a great opportunity for parents to experience crew. 10am to 12pm. Varsity rowers can get volunteer hours for working this event. Contact row@shencrew.com if interested.

SPAC Update – Last call!

Thanks to everyone who has signed up to train and work SPAC concerts over the summer. We are well on our way to making a hugely significant contribution to our equipment fund. The Last Day to sign up & volunteer for concert series is Wed June 1st. Please remove yourself if you can no longer cover a concert and/or sign up so we know exact coverage to confirm to Legends/SPAC. Thank you to everyone who has registered to date.

Team Supplies

If you have not yet brought your supplies that were part of the parent registration kit to the boathouse for this season, please do so in the next week by 5/26. These supplies get us through the spring & summer season so will be used.

6th - 1 box tissues

7th - 1 box tissues

8th - 1 box Standard Band-Aides

9th - 1 bottle (large) Antibacterial Hand Sanitizer

10th - 2 Sleeves of 6-8oz cups

11th & 12th - 2, 1 gallon jugs of water

Website Updates

Please be advised the Shen Crew website is being updated over the coming months. We'll be updating content and reorganizing tabs to make it easier to find information.

Questions, Comments, or Complaints?

Please use the link on our website www.shencrew.com the link is in the upper right corner of the front page under the tag "Give Rowing A Try" It's an easy way to communicate with the Shen Crew Board, Executive Director, and Head Coach.

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