

Upcoming Dates:

April 11 – May 20 – Hoffman Carwash sale

April 26-30 – Spring Break, practice 8-12 beginning Tuesday for all teams.

Menchie's Fundraiser - Wednesday 5/4 - 2:00 - 9:00

May 7 – Junior B/C's, high school small boats

May 8 – Varsity large boats in the AM

May 14 – States time trials and freshmen finals

May 15 – States finals

May 16-18 – flower pick up

Spring Break Practice

All teams will practice over break beginning on Tuesday, April 26th. After a full weekend of racing the coaches believe the kids should have a day of rest. All teams will practice on Saturday, April 30, same 8-12 schedule.

Pittsford Regatta:

REMINDER for Freshmen and Varsity.

Deadlines to remember for Pittsford:

For rowers/coxswains, \$150 is due May 6.

For parents to join the team dinner, \$15 is due also May 6.

For parents to stay at the same hotel, reserve by April 28. Link

<http://doubletree.hilton.com/en/dt/groups/personalized/R/ROCDTDT-SCS-20160528/index.jhtml>

For parent bus riders, \$30 due May 20.

Chaperones are still needed for this regatta.

This is a great opportunity for the team to travel together. Bonding on the bus ride to Pittsford, to and from the Regatta and of course while having a meal together, is invaluable for the student athlete. The coaches believe strongly in this model and know this is a great opportunity for the kids to further learn responsibility and independence.

Freshman/Varsity Food Tent shift

Food tent shifts are filling fast. If you are a Varsity or Freshman parent and did not sign up at the parent meeting for your one shift (either breakfast or lunch at one regatta) please contact Lisa Castaldo at jcastaldo1@nycap.rr.com to fulfill your food tent obligation for the season. Anyone interested in helping on the Food Committee or in the CoChair position as their volunteer job for the season please sign up on volunteer spot.

Season Payments

All Freshmen/Varsity rowers need their accounts paid in full by May 1st in order to row for States. Statements have been sent out to all Freshmen/Varsity parents to give you enough time to plan accordingly. Coaches prepare lineups for racing in advance and need to know if there are any rowers who will be held from competition. Don't let that happen to your rower!

Modified Rowers: Spring accounts are due in full by May 1st, and statements for modified rowers will be sent out this week. Season Payments:

SPAC Update

There are still several opportunities to do the SPAC training and help us out with our equipment fund. If you would like to get in on the action and help the club earn money for equipment and see some free shows in the process, Please consider coming to one of the dates below. There is serious money up for grabs here, and the more shows we work, the more we get. If you can make one of the following dates, please shoot an email to lauramcc9001@gmail.com and let us know and we'll add you to the training list. All the remaining sessions will take place at SPAC backstage from 6:00 until 8:30.

Thursday, April 28

Monday, May 2nd

Monday, May 9

Tuesday, May 24

Thursday, June 2

Monday, June 6

Hoffman Carwash Online

- If you had a friend or neighbor use the online feature and are trying to confirm if they ordered tickets to meet your requirement - please email co-

coordinator Mark Pidgeon at mpidgeon54@gmail.com with your rowers name and he can verify and respond to you.

Board Meetings

As you probably know, we reserve the first 30 minutes of every board meeting for members to attend and ask questions or bring issues of concern to the coaches and board. If you are unable to attend but are curious on what was discussed for the whole meeting, Board meeting minutes are posted on the Shen Crew website under board documents. Our next board meeting is scheduled for May 17th.

Food Tent

As everyone knows we are working toward funding new equipment purchases for the team. As communicated we are looking to the parents for help achieve this goal in many different ways, including at the food tent.

For the Saratoga Invitational we had our food tent volunteers work to serve our rowers/coxswains. This translated to better portion control and less waste. We will continue this practice going forward.

For this season we will continue to invite the parents to eat at food tent. We do ask that the trips be limited and that all be conscience of our need to feed rowers/coxswain and coaches first.

With current efforts to feed a large group of 150+ people on what equates to a current budget of \$8.75 per rower/coxswain per race is why we may be moving to paid passes in fall for parents as many have heard.

Our efforts to change this season, including serving for better portion control along with limiting parent intake are so we can experience meaningful savings on food cost and push those savings toward the equipment fund.

Support Adult Rowing

Please help us grow the team by posting the attached flyer at your office. Copies attached and available at the boathouse. Thank You!!!!

Free \$5 Donations from IGIVE

All members - please use this link & share with friends on facebook & email, to register to IGIVE and download the IGIVE button to your computer they will donate \$5 for every new member who does this in the month of April. No purchase necessary.